



## COURSE SYLLABUS

# Linear Algebra and Optimization, 7.5 credits

*Linjär algebra och optimering, 7,5 högskolepoäng*

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<b>Course Code:</b> TAOG19	<b>Education Cycle:</b> First-cycle level
<b>Confirmed by:</b> Dean Jun 1, 2019	<b>Disciplinary domain:</b> Natural sciences
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### Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

After a successful course, the student shall

Knowledge and understanding

- display knowledge of vectors, matrices and the basic operations, defined for these objects
- display knowledge of systems of linear equations, their possible solution sets, as well as how can these be formulated as matrix equations
- display knowledge of what constitutes a linear programming problem

Skills and abilities

- demonstrate the ability to use Gauss elimination and basic matrix algebra to solve systems of linear equations
- demonstrate the ability to use vector operations and linear systems to solve geometrical problems in two or three dimensions
- demonstrate the ability to calculate determinants, eigenvalues of square matrices, draw conclusions about unique solvability of square linear systems, matrix singularity and linear dependence of vectors
- demonstrate the ability to formulate a real world problem as a linear programming problem
- demonstrate the ability to use graphs and the Simplex algorithm to solve limited-sized linear programming problems and to draw sensitivity conclusions from the solutions
- demonstrate the ability to formulate the dual of a linear programming problem and to draw conclusions from its solution
- demonstrate the ability to use computer software to solve linear algebraic and optimization problems

### Contents

The course introduces several elements from the linear algebra as well as techniques for linear optimization.

The course includes the following elements:

- Systems of simultaneous linear equations and Gauss elimination

- Vectors, basic operations and some vector geometry
- Matrices and matrix algebra
- Eigenvectors and eigenvalues
- Linear programming
- Graphical solutions to two-dimensional linear programming problems
- The Simplex method and sensitivity analysis
- Duality in linear programming
- Examples of computer software for optimization.

### Type of instruction

Lectures, seminars and computer exercises.

The teaching is conducted in English.

### Prerequisites

General entry requirements and Physics I, Chemistry I, Mathematics 3c or Physics A, Chemistry A, Mathematics D and English 6 or English B in the Swedish upper secondary school system or international equivalent (or the equivalent).

### Examination and grades

The course is graded 5,4,3 or Fail.

Registration of examination:

Name of the Test	Value	Grading
Written examination	7.5 credits	5/4/3/U

### Course literature

The literature list for the course will be provided 8 weeks before the course starts.

Hardy: Linear algebra for engineers and scientists using Matlab, Pearson,  
ISBN 0-13-010988-6