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ME 231-004: Kinematics of Machinery

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Meeting Times & Location:
M, Th 4:00 – 5:20pm
Synchronous Online via Webex

Course Description:
ME231 is an introductory course in the design, selection and evaluation of mechanisms for various applications.

Prerequisites:
CS101, ME234

Textbook Required:
K. Russell, Q. Shen and R. S. Sodhi, *"Kinematics and Dynamics of Mechanical Systems: Implementation in MATLAB® and SimMechanics® Second Edition"*
CRC Press, Boca Raton, 2019. ISBN 9781138584044.

Instructor:
Mr. Anthony Glick
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Course Objectives:
1. To develop skills for designing and analyzing linkages, cams, gears and other mechanisms.
2. To provide a foundation for the study of machine design.
3. To develop skills for use of mathematics software and for writing computer programs to solve kinematic problems.

Topics:
1. Weeks 1 – 2: Introduction to Kinematics – Kinematic chains and mechanisms, degrees of freedom, types of motion. Mathematical Concepts in Kinematics – Complex number methods, linear simultaneous equations, matrices

2. Week 3: Fundamental Concepts in Kinematics – Types of planar and spatial mechanisms, Grashof's Criteria, Transmission angle

3. Weeks 3 – 5: Kinematic Analysis of Planar Mechanisms – Link velocity and acceleration, four bar mechanism analysis, slider-crank mechanism analysis

EXAM 1: Week 5

4. Week 7: Dimensional Synthesis – Motion generation, path generation and function generation

5. Weeks 8 – 9: Design and Kinematic Analysis of Gears – Spur gears, helical gears, rack and pinion gears, helical gears, bevel gears, worm gears, planetary gears

6. Weeks 9 – 10: Design and Kinematic Analysis of Disk Cams – Followers and follower motion, cam design, pressure angle

EXAM 2: Week 11

7. Week 11: Introduction to Robotic Manipulators

8. Weeks 12 – 14: Geared 5-bar mechanism analysis, Watt II mechanism analysis, Stephenson III Mechanism Analysis

9. Week 15: Review

Grading:
Final Exam: 30%
2 Examinations: 22.5% each
Homework: 25%

ProctorU Record+

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- Windows or Apple Operating System
- NJIT ID or Photo-Issued ID

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