

Kinematics of Machinery (ME 231-104)

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Course Summary

ME 231 is an introductory course in the design and analysis of planar and spatial mechanical systems.

Perquisites

CIS 101, Mech 234 and access to MATLAB® and Simscape Multibody®

Course Materials

Textbook: K. Russell, Q. Shen and R. S. Sodhi, “Kinematics and Dynamics of Mechanical Systems: Implementation in MATLAB® and SimMechanics® Third Edition,” CRC Press, Boca Raton, 2019. ISBN 9781032328317.

DATES	TOPICS AND CHAPTERS	HW PROBLEMS
01/27	Introduction (Ch 1), Complex Vectors (Ch 2)	CH2.pdf
02/03	Kinematics Fundamentals (Ch 3)	CH3.pdf
02/10	4-bar and Slider-crank Kinematic Analysis (Ch 4)	CH4A.pdf
02/17	5-bar and Multi-loop Kinematic Analysis (Ch 4)	CH4B.pdf
02/24	EXAM 1 (from 6:00 to 8:00 pm)	
03/03	Dimensional Synthesis (Ch 5)	CH5.pdf
03/10	Planar Mechanism Static Force Analysis (Ch 6)	CH6.pdf
03/24	Planar Mechanism Dynamic Force Analysis (Ch 7)	CH7.pdf
03/31	Gear Design and Kinematic Analysis (Ch 8)	CH8A.pdf
04/07	EXAM 2 (from 6:00 to 8:00 pm)	
04/14	Gear Design and Kinematic Analysis (Ch 8)	CH8B.pdf
04/21	Cam Design and Kinematic Analysis (Ch 9)	CH9.pdf
04/28	Kinematic Analysis of Spatial Mech. (Ch 10 and Ch 11)	CH10.pdf
05/05	Introduction to Robotic Systems (Ch 11)	CH11.pdf
TBD	EXAM 1 (from 6:00 to 8:00 pm)	

Grading

3 Examinations (25% each), Project (optional) 25%, Homework 25%

A≥90, 90>B+≥85, 85>B≥80, 80>C+≥75, 75>C≥70, 70>D≥60, 60>F

Policies

Homework submitted after due date will be penalized (1/2 credit if one week late and no credit beyond one week).

Any violation of the NJIT Honor Code (e.g., plagiarism and cheating on exams and assignments) will be penalized.

Make-up exams must be scheduled during office hours and within 1 week of the original exam date.

Link for Downloads <http://www.softalink.com/kruss/me231/filename.pdf>
/SYLLABUS.pdf

The following MATLAB toolboxes are needed for course assignments:

1. MATLAB
2. Simulink
3. Optimization Toolbox
4. Simscape
5. Simscape Multibody
6. Symbolic Math Toolbox

The following naming approach should be used for homework PDF files using CH2.pdf as an example:

CH2###.pdf (where ### are the last 3 digits of your NJIT SID number)

For example, if the student's NJIT SID last 3 digits are 123, the homework PDF file would be named CH2123.pdf (no spaces).