

ME 231-004 – Kinematics of Machinery

Meeting Times & Location:

T, Th 1:00 – 2:20pm
KUPF 208

Course Description:

ME 231 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:

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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 or 6

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: 20% each

Homework: 25%

Attendance: 5%

Grading Scale:

A: 100.00 – 90.00%

B+: 89.99 – 87.00%

B: 86.99 – 80.00%

C+: 79.99 - 77.00%

C: 76.99 - 70.00%

D: 69.99 – 60.00%

F: 59.99 – 0%

Policies:

Homework submitted after due date will be penalized as follows: ½ credit if one week late and no credit beyond one week.

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