

MECH 2002 KINEMATICS AND KINETICS OF MACHINES (WSTC ASSOC D)

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 700244

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Description Kinematics is the study of the motion of objects, and Kinetics is the study of the causes of the motion. The focus for this subject is on rigid body kinematics, which involves the study of a solid body with little or no deformation in planar motion, such as those in machines. The motion of key machine components and the forces they generate gives rise to design problems. Students gain an understanding of the relevance of kinematics and kinetics in the analysis and design of mechanical systems and of methods to ensure machines operate efficiently and safely.

School Eng, Design & Built Env

Discipline Mechanical And Industrial Engineering And Technology

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 2 10cp

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Level Undergraduate Level 2 subject

Pre-requisite(s) MATH 1017 AND ENGR 1019

Equivalent Subjects MECH 2001 - Kinematics and Kinetics of Machines

Restrictions

Students must be enrolled at Western Sydney University, The College in 7022 Associate Degree in Engineering

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Interpret the kinematic structure of mechanisms
2. Identify freedom and constraint in machines
3. Apply graphical velocity and acceleration analysis techniques to mechanisms
4. Predict the movement of particles
5. Analyse translational and angular displacements, velocities and accelerations of a single rigid body
6. Analyse multi-body mechanisms, gear trains, and cams
7. Verify measurements in the real world against theory presented in the lectures

Subject Content

1. Freedom and constraints in mechanisms
2. Velocity and acceleration analysis of mechanisms
3. Particle kinematics
4. Particle kinetics
5. Rigid body kinematics
6. Rigid body kinetics

7. Mechanism kinematics
8. Simple and epicyclic gear trains
9. Involute geometry of gear teeth
10. The geometry of cams

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Practical	2 hrs each	30	N	Individual	N
Quiz	30 mins each	20	N	Individual	N
Report	2 hours each	20	N	Individual	N
Presentatio	5 - 10 pages (Depending on the design, including images, graphs, photos, calculations and drawings using any simple drawing package Presentatio 10 min including question time	30	N	Individual	N

Prescribed Texts

- Hibbeler, RC 2017, *Engineering mechanics: dynamics*, 14th SI Global edn, Pearson Education, Hoboken, NJ.

Teaching Periods

Quarter 2 (2025)

Penrith (Kingswood)

Hybrid

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