Affirmation:

SYLLABUS

Subject: Finite Element Method

Specialty: Materials Science and Engineering

Degree: Master of Science

Professional Qualification: Master - Engineer in Materials Science

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I. HOURS (according to the academic curriculum)

Classes	Semester	Duration (academic sessions of 45 minutes)	
		weekly	all
1. Lectures	II	2	10
2. Seminars	II	1	20
3. Control	Exam		
4. ECTS Credit	Auditorium work: 1,5 credits; Home work: 1,5		
	credits; All: 3,0 credits		

II. Annotation

The course is designed to teach engineers how to use finite element methods (FEM) to solve problems in the materials science. The FEM is a powerful technique applied in almost every aspect of engineering, from the analysis of cardiac tissue to the behavior of superconducting magnets for high-speed trains. The primary goal of the course is to provide students with a fundamental understanding of FEA concepts, their strengths, and their limitations in the context of real materials-related problems (mechanical and thermodynamic properties, phase transformations, microstructure evolution during processing). The students will learn basic theory, how to use FEM software and how to interpret results, so that they will be able to adapt the techniques to fit engineering problems that they will encounter in the future. Pertinent mathematical and mechanics background material will be reviewed briefly if needed. A large part of the course is conducted in the computer laboratory. After the successful completion of the course, the students will be able to

- 1. Formulate a finite element problem from "real world" materials.
- 2. Identify the constitutive equations and assumptions that drive the system.
- 3. Model the systems from various types of materials in a manner amenable to FE solution techniques.
- 4. Determine appropriate system constraints and boundary conditions.
- 5. Utilize a commercial finite element package (ANSYS Multiphisics / ANSYS CFX, academic *license*)
- 6. Discuss the validity and accuracy of the results of a FE analysis.

Homework is an essential part of this course. Various programming and formulation problems will be assigned through the class website. There will be a project related to computer implementation of material properties, using commercial programs. Here the students are encouraged to learn certain aspects of the software on their own as an exercise in self-education.

III. Contents of the Lectures

IV. Seminars

2. Solidification of a Casting. Influence of the Material Properties

3. Ceramic bricks baking in a tunnel kiln. Influence of the Material Properties

4. Slide Film Damping. Influence of the Material Properties

Importing an IGES model, SmartSizing, selecting entities, applying voltage, temperature, and displacement boundary conditions, plotting voltage, temperature, and displacement results, animating displacement results, listing heat flow and current.

V. Text books:

1. O. C. Zienkievicz, *The Finite Element Method in Engineering Science*. MCGRAW-HILL, London, 1971

2. S. Moaveni, Finite Element Analysis. Prentice Hall, Upper Saddle River, New Jersey, 1999.

3. Ted Belytschko, Finite Elements for Nonlinear Continua and Structures. Northwestern

University, Chicago, 1996

Reference Materials:

1. Release 10.0 Documentation for ANSYS. ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, 2005.

2. A.D. Burns and P.J. Zwart, *Computational Fluid Dynamics Modeling of Multi-Phase Flows*, Alpha Beta Numerics, Preston, UK, 2005.

3. P. Lethbridge, *Emag 9.0 Technology Overview & Benefits*, ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, 2005.

4. *Multiphysics Simulation for MEMS*, TRAINING MANUAL, Inventory #001796, ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, February, 2003.

5. R. Browell, *Robust Design*, ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, 2005.

6. *Heat Transfer* TRAINING MANUAL, Inventory #002180, ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, April, 2005.

7. C Kurt Svihla, ANSYS CFX-5 Test Drive. ANSYS Inc., Canonsburg, PA, USA, May 23, 2004.

8. CivilFEMINTRO, INGECIBER, s.a., 2005