

**EME 521 – MATHEMATICAL MODELING OF ENERGY & MINERAL ENGINEERING SYSTEMS**  
Coupled Processes of Deformation, Flow and Transport

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Objective: To develop an understanding of methods of modeling important physical and chemical phenomena involved in natural and engineered systems. These include both separate and mixed solid (solid mechanics) and fluid (computational fluid mechanics) systems, including reactive components. The emphasis is on finite element methods but also includes other continuum methods (LBM, SPH), integral methods and discontinuum methods.  
Students will develop working MatLab modules of simple-through-complex models of interactive physical systems and research materials on some form of computational methods.

**COURSE OUTLINE**

**1. Review of Important Physical Systems and their PDEs**

- a. Terminology
- b. Conservation of Mass and Energy (Scalar quantities)
- c. Conservation of Momentum (Vectorial quantities)
  - i. Fluid Mechanics
  - ii. Solid Mechanics
- d. History of Finite Element Methods

**2. Finite Element Representation of Important System Types (MatLab)**

a. Mass and Energy Transfer

i. Fluid Flow and Diffusion 
$$A \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-D \nabla c) = R$$

1. 1-D elements
2. Petrov-Galerkin formulation
  - a. 2-D triangular elements
  - b. 2-D isoparametric elements
  - c. 3-D generalization
3. Time-dependent behavior

ii. Advective Flows 
$$A \frac{\partial c}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (-D \nabla c) = R - \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla c$$

1. 1-D elements
2. Petrov-Galerkin formulation
  - a. 2-D triangular elements
  - b. 2-D isoparametric elements
  - c. 3-D generalization
3. Time-dependent behavior
4. Reactive transport

b. Momentum Transfer - Fluid Mechanics 
$$\rho \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}}{\partial t} + \rho(\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{F} - \nabla P + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{v}$$
$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

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  - c. 3-D generalization
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c. Momentum Transfer - Solid Mechanics

$$-\nabla \cdot (c \nabla \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{F}$$

1. Virtual work formulation
  - a. 1-D elements
  - b. 2-D triangular elements
  - c. 2-D isoparametric elements
  - d. 3-D generalization
2. Time-dependent behavior

**3. Coupled Process Models (Comsol-Multiphysics)**

- a. Fully-coupled solutions using FEM
  - i. System coupling via governing equations
  - ii. System coupling via Level-set methods
- b. Externally-coupled solutions
  - i. Sequentially-coupled overlapping meshes
  - ii. Meshes at multiple scales – linked FEM-MD models
- c. X-FEM

**4. Alternative Numerical Methods**

- a. Integral methods
- b. Meshless models including SPH
- c. Discontinuum methods
  - i. Block and Granular mechanics models
- d. Automaton Methods
  - i. Simple models of Nature
  - ii. Lattice-Gas Automata

**ASSIGNMENTS & GRADING**

**1. Theme 1 – Individual MatLab Assignments (self-graded with group discussion 50%)**

1. Diffusive flow
  - i. Steady state 2-D
  - ii. Transient 2-D
2. Advective-Diffusive Flow
  - i. Steady state 2-D
  - ii. Transient 2-D
3. Navier-Stokes Flow – Steady – 2-D
4. Solid Mechanics – Steady – 2-D
5. Poromechanics
  - i. Steady state 2-D
  - ii. Transient 2-D

**2. Theme 2 – Group presentations of exotic methods – BIEM/DEM/SPH/LBM ..... (50%)**

1. SPH – Smoothed particle hydrodynamics  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smoothed-particle\\_hydrodynamics](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Smoothed-particle_hydrodynamics)
2. LBM – Lattice-Boltzmann Method  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lattice\\_Boltzmann\\_methods](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lattice_Boltzmann_methods)
3. Phase Field Methods  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phase\\_field\\_models](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phase_field_models)
4. X-FEM – Extended Finite Element Method  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extended\\_finite\\_element\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Extended_finite_element_method)
5. BEM – Boundary Element Methods  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boundary\\_element\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boundary_element_method)
6. DEM – Discrete Element Methods  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discrete\\_element\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discrete_element_method)
7. FEDEM – Finite Element - Discrete Element Methods  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discrete\\_element\\_method](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Discrete_element_method)

8. Lattice Methods  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1002/nag.2249>
9. Peridynamics  
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Peridynamics>

## REFERENCES

*A compiled notebook and various resources are available online via Angel.*

1. Elsworth, D. 2005. Companion Notes.
2. MatLab. 2005. User's Guide. Mathsoft. (Available online with software)

*Books on reserve in the library include:*

3. Kattan, P.I. 2003. MATLAB guide to finite elements : an interactive approach. Springer. pp. 385. TA347.F5K38 2003.
4. Kwon, Y.W. 2000. The finite element method using MATLAB. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. TA347.F5K86 1997.
5. Zienkiewicz, O.C. 2005 The finite element method: its basis and fundamentals. Elsevier. TA640.2.Z52 2005
6. Bathe, K.J. 1996. Finite Element Procedures. Prentice Hall. TA347.F5B36 1996

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