Kinematic Analysis and Synthesis of Mechanisms  
(MEC 567)- Spring 2016  
COURSE OUTLINE

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Office Hours: Wed 2:30-6:30 pm  
Lectures: Wed 7:00-9:50 pm – Humanities 2045


Reference:  
2. Introduction to Robotics, Mechanics and Control - By J. Craig, 2nd Ed., Addison-Wesley, 1989 (or another similar robotics text).  
3. Instructor provided material and lecture.

The following topics will be covered from the above text and references:

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| 1. Introduction (1 week)  
(history of mechanisms and robotic manipulators, analysis and synthesis methods and terminology, research areas) | Chap. 1 (Ref. 1-3) |
| 2. Kinematics Analysis of Linkage Mechanisms. (1 1/2 weeks)  
(d-o-f, review of displacement, velocity and acceleration analysis, branching, force/motion transmission). | Chap. 3-4 (Ref. 3) |
(direct and inverse kinematics, open-loop and parallel configurations, d-o-f, redundancy, number of configurations, service/approach angle, path and trajectory synthesis) - (2 weeks) | (Ref. 2, Chap. 2-3 and Ref. 3) |
(workspace analysis and synthesis with and without joint motion constraints, motion and force transmissibility, dexterity and related workspaces) - (1 1/2 weeks) | Ref. 3 |

1st Midterm

5. Position Analysis of Serial and Parallel Manipulators. (1 week)  
(Refs. 2 and 3)  
6. Kinematics Analysis of Spatial Linkage Mechanisms. (1/2 week)  
(Ref. 3)  
(type synthesis, dimensional synthesis: graphical motion generation, path generation) – (1 1/2 weeks)  
Chap. 8 (8.1-11)  
Ref. 1  
 dimensional synthesis: analytical methods for motion, path and function generation) – (1 1/2 weeks)  
Chap. 8 (8.12-24)  
Ref. 1

2st Midterm
During the semester, each student will select a mechanism or manipulator analysis and synthesis project. A short statement of the project is due following the first midterm exam. Each student is expected to discuss the project with the instructor for approval before the due date. The projects will involve the identification of the function(s) that the mechanism or manipulator is intended to perform, formulation of appropriate method(s) to estimate the level of performance of the device and solution method(s), followed by the formulation of an appropriate method to synthesize the device to achieve a prescribed or optimal performance. A final ppt presentation as well as a written report is due by the last day of classes. Oral presentation will be required during the last day of classes.

No late homework will be accepted.

GRADING

1- Homework (15 points).
2- Two midterms (15 points each).
3- Final exam (40 points).
4- Project (proposal, presentation and final report) - (15 points).

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