ME 407: Computational Fluid Dynamics

Course description: Basic concepts and applications of computational fluid dynamics to the analysis and design of fluid systems and components.

Number of credits: 3

Course Coordinator: P. Dutta

Prerequisites by course: ME 303

Prerequisites by topic:
1. Conservation of mass, momentum, and energy
2. Fluid statics
3. Dimensional analysis
4. Flow in conduits
5. Applied numerical methods
6. Finite difference methods

Postrequisites: None


Course objectives:
1. To develop skills in computational fluid dynamics to address engineering problems.
2. To understand the basic structure and capabilities of current commercial CFD codes.
3. To apply CFD codes in the design of fluid systems and components.

Topics covered:
1. Review of control volume formulation of fluid flow analysis.
2. Finite difference formulation of flow system equations.
3. Numerical methods to solve systems of algebraic equations.
4. Upwind differencing and staggered grids for stability and introduction of numerical viscosity.
5. Pressure formulation of continuity equation.
6. Flow diagrams for code structure.
7. Features of currently available commercial codes.
8. Design and theory and methodology.
10. Application of a commercial code to the design of a fluid system or component.

Expected learning outcomes:
1. Be familiar with the general principles of computational fluid mechanics and the capabilities of commercial software for design of engineering fluid systems.

Class schedule: Three 50-minute lecture sessions per week, for one semester.

Laboratory schedule: None.
Contribution to meeting the professional component:

Engineering Topics

Relationship of course to student outcomes:

Meets:
1. School of MME ME educational objectives: 1
2. School of MME ME program outcomes: 1, 6, 7
3. ABET EC2019, Criterion 3 program outcomes: 1, 6, 7

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