

CME 434 - FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS I, FALL SEMESTER, 2006

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

introduction to the principles of finite element methods in continuum mechanics, and its application in practical solutions of problems in solid and structural mechanics and if time permits, other field problems. Solution of central problems using MATLAB and existing computer programs.

PREREQUISITES: Completion of undergraduate courses in strength of materials and structural analysis or mechanics of deformable solids. It is strongly suggested that by the last day for dropping CME courses you are competent in the material presented in those courses, and familiar with and progressing nicely in the use of MATLAB (the state of your knowledge at that time may be an indicator of final grade).

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK: Chandrupatla and Belegundu, Introduction to Finite Elements in Engineering (with software on CD), 2nd edition, Prentice Hall, 1997.

RECOMMENDED REFERENCE: Bathe, Finite Element Procedures, Prentice Hall, 1996.

REQUIRED SOFTWARE: MATLAB, installed in the CME computer laboratory.

REQUIRED SOFTWARE: RISA3D Demo version, program and reference manuals. Soon to be installed in the CME computer Laboratory, and also available at no charge from www.risatech.com > download a demo (on the right) > download a demo > http://www.risatech.com/demo_request.asp where you fill in a form.

Topics

Review of matrix arithmetic and mechanics of deformable bodies.

Matrix formulation of the fundamental equations of deformation, stress and strain, compatibility, elasticity, work and conservation of energy.

Finite element models, meshes, system equations and their solution,

Problems in one dimension.

Bars and beam elements in frames and their contribution to the system equations.

Application of boundary conditions and loads.

Solving for displacements.

Calculation of forces and stresses in elements.

Introduction to two-dimensional analysis using membranes.

Fundamentals of shape functions and isoparametric elements.

Evaluation of element matrices by numerical quadrature.

Reliability of results.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY: You are required to be familiar with, understand, and follow the University's policy on academic integrity. See page 46 of the UIC 2005-2007. I recommend you to study together in groups to compare and complete your notes and to perfect your understanding by discussion. All homework and exams must be completed by each student acting alone or, when assigned to a team, by only the team members acting together.

GRADES: Final grades depend on scores for homework and exams. Class participation may be used to decide marginal scores. The undergraduate and graduate partitions of the class may be graded by separate scales.