Module 1 - Introduction

ME3001 - Mechanical Engineering Analysis

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- What is this class about?
- How does it apply to mechanical engineering?
- What areas of engineering will we cover?
- Remember those math classes?
- Major Topic Covered

What is this class about?

Define *Analysis*:

- detailed examination of the elements or structure of something, typically as a basis for discussion or interpretation.
 - Analysis
 - Design

How does it apply to mechanical engineering?

This is not just another math class!

- we will study mathematical modeling of engineering systems and the theoretical and numerical solutions to non-linear equations, systems of linear equations, and ordinary and partial differential equations
- mathematical methods for solving mechanical engineering problems with modern computing tools
- we can solve the BIG problems!

What areas of engineering will we cover?

- Statics and Mechanics
- Rigid Body Dynamics
- Fluid Dynamics
- Thermodynamics and Heat Transfer
- Vibrations

Remember those math classes?

We will be doing some applied mathematics in this class!

- Algebra and Arithmetic
- Matrix/Linear Algebra
- Calculus

- Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations
- The Fourier Series

Remember those math classes?

This class is different than a traditional mathematics class.

- By nature engineering problems are hard to solve on paper.
- So, will be using calculators but we will also be using...

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Modern Computing Tools

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- Mathematical Modeling
- Solutions to Non-Linear Equations
- Solving Systems of Linear Equations
- Numerical Integration and Curve Fitting
- Ordinary Differential Equations
- Opening Partial Differential Equations

- 1) Mathematical Modeling
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- 2) Solutions to Non-Linear Equations
 - Rigid Body Dynamics
 - Optimization and Design

3) Solving Systems of Linear Equations

- Statics and Structural
- Equilibrium Equations

- The Eigenvalue Problem
- Mechanisms and Machines

4) Numerical Integration and Curve Fitting

5) Ordinary Differential Equations

- What is a Differential Equations? What about a system of them?
- What does it mean to solve a differential equation?

• A very simple example:

ODE:

Solution:

- 6) Partial Differential Equations
 - What is different about a Partial Differential Equation?
 - What is different about the solution to a PDE?
 - What does this allow us to do?