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Aerodynamics 780 (MLD 780)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 16.00

NQF Level 08

Programmes BEngHons Mechanical Engineering

BScHons (Applied Science) Mechanics

Prerequisites No prerequisites.

Contact time 21 contact hours per semester

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering

Period of presentation Semester 1 or Semester 2

Module content

Review of the fundamentals of thermodynamics. Introduction to compressible flows. Advanced topics in compressible flows: transonic flow and supersonic flow. Oblique shock waves, expansion waves, shock-expansion theory, wave interactions and wave drag. Linearized compressible-flow theory. Effects of heat and friction on gas flow. Design aspects of high speed aeroplanes and viscous effects. Fundamentals of hypersonic flow and high temperature gas dynamics. On completion of this module the student will be able to understand the fundamental phenomena associated with compressible flow and competently apply analytical theory to compressible flow problems

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