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Structural mechanics 310 (MSY 310)

Qualification Undergraduate

Faculty Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology

Module credits 16.00

NQF Level 07

Programmes BEng (Mechanical Engineering)

BEng (Mechanical Engineering) ENGAGE

Prerequisites MOW 227, (WTW 256)

Contact time 1 practical per week, 3 lectures per week

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Department Mechanical and Aeronautical Engineering

Period of presentation Semester 1

Module content

Introduction of stress tensor. 3D stress and strain transformation. Eigenvalue/vector analysis for principal stresses and strains. Experimental strain measurements. Stress-strain relations. Strain energy. Thin-walled cylinders. Statically indeterminate stress systems. Bending stress, slope and deflection of beams, shear center, non-symmetric beams, composite beams, Castigliano's theorem. Statically indeterminate beams. Buckling instability. Yield criteria. Elementary plasticity. Structural street design SANS code. Fracture mechanics. Fatigue.

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