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Advanced finite element methods 781 (MEE 781)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Engineering, Built Environment and Information Technology
Module content	Non-linear statics: Overview of non-linear effects: geometric, material and boundary conditions. Continuum mechanics: tensors, indicial notation, deformation gradients, stress and strain measures, transformations and rotations, stress-strain relationships, constitutive models. Principles of virtual work. Solution methods: direct iteration, Newton methods, incremental/iterative procedures. Lagrange engineering strains. Large displacement finite element analysis of continua: total Lagrangian formulation. Small strain plasticity: Additive decomposition, flow rule, hardening laws, continuum and consistent tangents.
Module credits	16.00
Programmes	BEngHons Mechanical Engineering BScHons Applied Science Mechanics BScHons Applied Science Mechanics: Physical Asset Management
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

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