ME 65 - Mechanics of Materials, Fall 2013 Course Information and Syllabus<br>Professor E.E. Gdoutos gdoutos@caltech.edu<br>Class website<br>Class<br>Recitation<br>Office Hours<br>Textbook<br>Homework<br>ME065 on Moodle<br>Tuesday and Thursday, 9-10.30am, 101 Guggenheim<br>Tuesday, 7-8pm,<br>Thursday, 7-8pm,<br>Applied Mechanics of Solids, Allan F. Bower, http://solidmechanics.org/<br>Posted on Moodle every Friday. Due the following Friday, 5pm, 102 Firestone.

Collaboration Policy

Late Homework

## Grading

- The students may discuss homework problems and solution strategies with each other, but ultimately the solving and writing of homework problems should be done by the students on their own. For example, you should not include in your solution a step someone mentioned that you do not fully understand. Use of packages such as Matlab and Mathematica is permitted.
- The students are welcome and encouraged to discuss among themselves the subject matter of the course in order to improve their understanding of the subject.
- The students are also encouraged to attend TA and office hours and bring up any questions they may have regarding the homework problems or the material covered in the course. Should the students be unable to attend the TA or office hours, they are welcome to contact the head TA or the instructor directly and set up individual appointments.

In general, no late homework or examinations will be accepted except in the case of genuine documented emergencies. Extensions will be considered on a case by case basis and must approved by the instructor in advance of the due date.
40\% Homework, 20\% Midterm, and 40\% Final

| Tentative Syllabus Date | Description | Textbook Reference http://solidmechanics.org/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tuesday, Sept. 30 | Math Review: coordinate systems, index notation, dot/cross products, tensors | Appendices A-D |
| Thursday, Oct. 2 | Review continued: vector/tensor calculus | Appendices A-D |
| Tuesday, Oct. 7 | Review continued: divergence theorem, eigenvalues/vectors, rotation matrices | Apendices A-D <br> Sec. 2.1, |
| Thursday, Oct 9 | Kinematics: deformation gradient, strain, strain tensors |  |
| Tuesday, Oct. 14 | Kinematics: Strain, linearization, volumetric/deviatoric strain, strain compatibility | Sec. 2.1 |
| Thursday, Oct 16 | Forces and moments, traction, equilibrium equations | Sec. 2.2, 2.3 |
| Tuesday, Oct. 21 | Principal stresses and directions, deviatoric stress, Mohr's circle in 2d/3d | Sec. 2.2 |
| Thursday, Oct 23 | Constitutive laws, intro to elasticity, strain energy density, elastic modulus tensor, Voigt notation | Sec. 3.1,3.2 |
| Tuesday, Oct. 28 | Linear elasticity, elastic constants, introduction to boundary value problems (BVP) | Sec. 3.2, 4 |
| Thursday, Oct 30 | BVPs continued: constraints | Sec. 4.1 |
| Tuesday, Nov. 4 | BVPs continued: plane problems, Airy stress functions, cylindrical coordinates | Sec. 4.1,4.2, Appendix D |
| Thursday, Nov 6 | BVPs continued: Cylindrical axisymmetric problems (Lame solutions) | Sec. 4.2 |
| Tuesday, Nov. 11 | BVPs continued: additional solution strategies, examples | Sec. 4 |
| Thursday, Nov 13 | Fracture mechanics, theorem of minimum potential energy | Sec. 9.3, 5.7, 8.1 |
| Tuesday, Nov. 18 | Introduction to the finite element method (FEM) | Sec. 8.1 |
| Thursday, Nov 20 | FEM continued: weighted residual form, approximation theory, symmetry | Sec. 8.1 |
| Tuesday, Nov. 25 | FEM continued: thermal stresses, examples | Sec. 8.1 |
| Thursday, Nov. 27 | Thanksgiving Holiday |  |
| Tuesday, Dec. 2 | Contact mechanics | Sec. 3.13 |
| Thursday, Dec. 4 | Review |  |

