

Syllabus Course description

Course title	Advanced Methods for Fluid Machine Design	
Course code		
Scientific sector	ING-IND/08	
Degree	Master in Industrial and Mechanical Engineering	
Semester	ll -	
Year	<i>III</i>	
Academic year	2018/19	
Credits	6	
Modular	No	

Total lecturing hours	36
Total lab hours	
Total exercise hours	24
Attendance	Not compulsory, but strongly suggested
Prerequisites	Fundamentals of Fluid Machines course
Course page	

Specific educational objectives

The course of Advanced Methods for Fluid Machine Design is a compulsory course for the curriculum in Energy in the Bachelor of Industrial and Mechanical Engineering and it is an elective course for all the other curricula. The course is in the scientific sector of Fluid Machines and it consists of 36 hours of frontal lectures and 24 hours of practical exercises.

The course aims to introduce students to the use of the numerical analysis for the study of complex fluid flow-fields that can be found in turbomachinery and in propulsion systems, making use of the Finite Volumes Methodology (FVM).

Specific educational objectives:

- understanding the theoretical aspects underlying computational fluid dynamics (CFD);
- comprehension of the numerical algorithms for the discrete resolution of compressible and incompressible flows;
- understanding the basic principles and approaches to modeling turbulence;
- acquire the fundamental knowledge for a correct choice of numerical models, boundary conditions and interfaces
- acquire the fundamental knowledge for the use of commercial calculation codes for geometric modeling, grid generation, fluid dynamic resolution or analysis



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Lecturer	Nigro Alessandra; Muhasilovic Medzid
Scientific sector of the lecturer	ING-IND/08
Teaching language	English
Office hours	
Teaching assistant (if any)	
Office hours List of topics covered	The course aims to provide an introduction to the use of numerical resolution tools for fluid-dynamics problems in Fluid Machines. A first theoretical part will provide the basic knowledge on the numerical solution of ordinary differential equations
	and partial differential equations. The second part will deal with the fundamental equations of fluid dynamics and the numerical methods used in commercial fluid-dynamics calculation software. Spatial Discretization: Solution principles of fluid dynamics equations; Finite Volumes Method (FVM).
	The turbulence modelling and the boundary layer modelling are briefly presented. A significant part of the course foresees practical exercises involving the use of computer software for grid generation and numerical resolution. Specific attention will be focused on the application of the numerical codes to turbomachines or volumetric machines.
Teaching format	The course has a duration of 60 hours, 36 hours of frontal teaching and 24 hours of exercises. The lectures on the theory part are presented at the blackboard and using slides. The exercises consist in the guided numerical resolution of differential equations and of more complex problems of numerical fluid dynamics applied to industrial flows and turbomachines. The exercises will be carried out with PCs using numerical commercial software.
Learning outcomes	The learning outcomes referred to the Dublin Descriptors:
	Knowledge and understanding The course allows the students to acquire advanced knowledge on the main numerical methods for the advanced study of the fluid-dynamics in Fluid Machines (1). The topics discussed will provide the basis for a thorough understanding of the main physical phenomena, approaches for the modeling (2), comprehension of the numerical methods (3) with specific focus on turbomachines.
	Applying knowledge and understanding The student will be able to apply the knowledge during the exercises where the studied models will be used to



assess specific practical problems (4). They will also apply the theoretical contents by using commercial calculation codes for geometric modeling, grid generation, fluid dynamic resolution or analysis of results (5).

Making judgments

The student should acquire the ability to evaluate the best choice of numerical models and boundary conditions applied to important practical cases in industrial flows and turbomachines (6). The student should also be able to discuss and interpret the numerical results and correlate them with the physical problem (7).

Communication skills

The student should acquire the proper technical language (8) and should be able to present the design choices, the numerical results with a critical approach (9).

Learning skills

The student should acquire lifelong learning skills through the possession of the tools for the numerical modeling and to update knowledge (10). Moreover, the student should be able to get the required data and information from databases, technical and scientific papers (11).

Assessment

The final exam consists in an oral exam on the theoretical concepts and the discussion of a project work in which the concepts of the course are applied to an industrial flow or a turbomachine or a volumetric machine. Students are expected to prepare a report on the case study; the discussion of the project work and its presentation can be made in group of students (maximum 2 students per project).

Formative assessment

Form	Length /duration	ILOs assessed
In class	24 X 120 minutes	4, 5, 6, 7
exercises		

Summative assessment

Form	%	Length	ILOs
		/duration	assessed
Oral exam – theory	50%	2 or 3 open-end questions (about hour)	1, 2, 3, 8,
Project work presentation	50%	Presentation and discussion (30 minutes)	4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11

Assessment language

English



Evaluation	criteria and
criteria for	awarding marks

The student must demonstrate to have acquired the physical principles and theoretical-evaluation consideration; moreover, the student must show the ability to apply the knowledge in practical test cases.

In order to get a positive final mark, the student must demonstrate that there are no gaps in the basic knowledge presented in the course. The maximum evaluation is achieved by demonstrating in-depth knowledge of course content. The oral questions and the quality of the report have the same weight in the final mark calculation.

For the evaluation of the oral exam the following criteria will be taken into account:

- Ability to describe the numerical methods to solve fluid dynamic problems in fluid machines
- Ability to describe the issues of the volume discretization of the numerical problem
- Ability to define the correct boundary conditions
- Ability to provide examples/applications of the theoretical concepts
- Proper use of the technical language

For the evaluation of the project work, the determination of the final mark takes into account:

- Adequacy of the approach to the solution of the problem
- Clarity in the presentation and discussion of the results
- Proper use of the technical language

Required readings	The slides presented during the lectures will be available in the reserve collection. Any additional required material will be supplied during the lectures and made available in the reserve collection.
Supplementary readings	 Additional readings available in the University Library: Fondamenti di calcolo numerico, Giovanni Monegato, Editore CLUT, ISBN: 887992138X An Introduction to Computational Fluid Dynamics: the Finite Volume Method, H K Versteeg and W. Malalasekera, Ed. Person Prentice Hal, ISBN 9780131274983 Computational Methods for Fluid Dynamics, JH Ferziger and M Peric, Ed. Springer, ISBN 978-3-642-56026-2