ME421. Foundations of Aerodynamics.

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Syllabus. Spring 2013.

1/17, 22. Fluids; continuum description; Elements of kinetic theory; derivation of viscosity and pressure.
1/24. Kinematics; acceleration; streamlines/pathlines; fluxes; vorticity. HW1.

1/29, 31. Conservation laws; continuity, Euler and Navier-Stokes equations; Euler equation; Boundary conditions; vorticity; vortex force; Kelvin's theorem; Incompressible fluids; HW2.

2/5-26. Potential flows; 2D examples: uniform flow; sinks and sources; vortex; doublets and multi-pole expansion; Flow past cylinder; Joukovskii theorem. Drag and lift; Joukovskii theorem; Accelerating cylinder and cylinder + vortex: Panel method; Aerofoils; Wings; Lift; Drag; **HW 3-4**.

3/5 Review.

3/7. Midterm.

03/19, 21. vortex sheets; forces; flow over plate; thin airfoil theory; flow past 2d airfoil; Lift; HW 5;

3/26, 28. symmetric airfoil; cambered airfoils; HW5; X-foil code; Numerical Project.

4/2, 4. Flow over finite wings; downwash and induced drag; vortex filament; Prandtl theory: elliptic lift distribution; aspect ratio **HW6.**;

Viscous effects.

4/9-23. - The Navier Stokes equations; Reynolds number; Laminar- Couette, channel and pipe flows. Flow separation; Friction and drag coefficients; **HW 7-8.** Prandtl laminar boundary layer theory; Turbulence; channel/pipe flows. Turbulent boundary layers ; Viscous effects on wings. **HW9.**

Industrial CFD (Invited Lecture). HW 6-8.

4/30. Review; discussion;

Two labs. The dates to be determined. Numerical project. Books.

- 1. D. Wilcox, "Basic Fluid Mechanics".
- 2. J. Anderson, Fundamentals of aerodynamics.
- 3. V.Yakhot,, ME421. Fluid Mechanics and aerodynamics. My lecture notes.
- 4. I. Abbott and A. Doenhoff, Theory of wing sections, Dover Publications, NY 1958.