

WM993-15 Modelling and Simulation of Systems

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Department

WMG

Level

Taught Postgraduate Level

Module leader

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Credit value

15

Module duration

1 week

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

Description

Introductory description

Modelling and simulation is a key engineering stage. It allows us to evaluate various system configurations and how they will behave in various operating environments. In this module we will focus on systems known as dynamical systems derived from various physical domains. You will understand how to model them and evaluate their validity for various applications. You will learn how to use Matlab/Simulink to model such systems and see how other similar software tools allow engineers to develop such models.

Module aims

In this module the student will gain a comprehensive understanding and practical experience of the modelling and simulation of physical systems within an automotive context. Developing both theoretical and practical understanding of the derivation of ordinary differential equations, applicable numerical methods and the construction of models to solve problems in both time and frequency domains. 30 hours over 1 week consisting of interactive presentations, question and answer sessions, talks from industrial practitioners and discussion, videos, and hands on computer simulation sessions.

Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

- 1-D Multi Physics System Simulation within the electrical, mechanical and hydraulic domains.
- Physical Modelling using ordinary differential equations (ODE's) and state variable block diagram modelling methods for both linear and non-linear systems.
- Eigen-value calculation & transfer-function analysis of physical automotive systems within the frequency domain and time domain.
- Understanding and application of data-driven modelling
- Numerical integration methods including solver selection and its impact on simulation stability and accuracy.
- The use of simulation methods, including Co-Simulation/Embedded/Real Time Application
- The role of verification and validation techniques within systems modelling and simulation analysis.

Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the practical application of the different approaches to mathematical modelling and analysis of one-dimensional physical systems
- Derive, translate, solve & analyse 1D functional models of physical systems in sequential block diagram & state variable forms.
- Critically evaluate a range of numerical solver methods and evaluate the correct usage and errors for each within the context of simulation efficiency and accuracy. Demonstrate understanding in model linearization and parameter estimation methods.
- Critically evaluate different methods of model verification and validation and synthesise a framework for data driven modelling within the context of model aims and objectives.
- Develop integrated models of automotive systems to gain a practical understanding of multi-physics simulation techniques.

Subject specific skills

- Understand dynamical systems,
- How to model electrical, mechanical, thermal, fluid systems as analogous systems,
- Numerical methods to solve ordinary differential dynamical systems
- Implement data-driven modelling
- Validating and verification of dynamical models
- How industries use such models and approaches
- Matlab programming

Transferable skills

- Technology literacy

- Dependability
 - Communication
 - Adaptability
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Study

Study time

Type	Required
Lectures	30 sessions of 1 hour (20%)
Supervised practical classes	5 sessions of 2 hours (7%)
Online learning (independent)	12 sessions of 2 hours (16%)
Other activity	26 hours (17%)
Assessment	60 hours (40%)
Total	150 hours

Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

Other activity description

Pre-module activity to understand basic modelling and simulation concepts
Introduction to the module
Industry guest speaker
Module Review and assessment description

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A

	Weighting	Study time
Modelling framework report	60%	36 hours
A written essay based question focusing on customer and vehicle level requirement simulation		

	Weighting	Study time
(ILOs 1,3 and 4).		
Computer model and simulation question	40%	24 hours
Two questions related to: System and component level modelling (ILOs 2,4 and 5) and Data-driven simulations of vehicle components (ILOs 2 and 4).		
The students will need to solve the problems through mathematical derivation and computer simulation and show the written solution and simulation results.		

Feedback on assessment

Scaled ratings for Comprehension, Effort and Presentation, individual written feedback and overall mark following on from WMG feedback sheet templates.

As this is a Model A reassessment only any failed components will be individually reassessed at the same weighting.

Availability

There is currently no information about the courses for which this module is core or optional.