

**San José State University**  
**Aerospace Engineering Department**  
**AE138: Vector-Based Dynamics for Aerospace Applications**  
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<b>Office Hours:</b>	MW 12:30 – 1pm; 3 – 4pm
<b>Class Days/Time:</b>	MW 1:30 – 2:45pm
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	Grade of C– or better in Math32
<b>Co-requisite:</b>	AE112

### Course Format

**Class Website:** <https://sjsu.instructure.com> Under the courses tab, select this course.

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### Course Description

*Vector mechanics of aerospace vehicle center of mass (three degree-of-freedom particle motion). Particle kinematics, reference frames and rotational relative motion. Two degree-of-freedom aerospace vehicle (rigid body) motion, moments/products of inertia. Equations of motion and numerical time histories of the vehicle's center of mass & rigid body motions (attitude dynamics).*

### Course Goals

1. *To provide a fundamental knowledge of vector dynamics for aerospace applications.*
2. *To establish the basics of reference frame mechanics and relative motion.*
3. *To provide the fundamentals of aerospace vehicle center of mass (particle) kinematics of using Newtonian methods.*
4. *To write center of mass (three-dimensional) equations of motion using vector mechanics.*
5. *To understand the influence of vehicle moments/products of inertia on rigid body rotational motion.*
6. *To develop physical intuition about aerospace vehicle motion by examining the connection between the differential equations (equations of motion) and their time history solution.*

## Course Learning Outcomes

1. Combine and solve for vectors using the operations of vector algebra.
2. Find area using vector algebra.
3. Set up aerospace-vehicle-fixed basis vectors and use them to express and solve for cm (particle) position.
4. Set up a direction cosine matrix relating the planar orientation of two reference frames.
5. Express and resolve vectors (position, velocity, acceleration) into reference frames related by direction cosine matrices.
6. Differentiate scalars representing vehicle states; differentiate vectors in arbitrary reference frames.
7. Express vehicle angular velocity/acceleration and relate these concepts to the direction cosine matrix.
8. Solve kinematic (position/velocity/acceleration) problems when multiple reference frames are involved.
9. Express particle and rigid body constraints for rolling and sliding (slipping) situations.
10. Calculate mass center of a system of particles and of a rigid body.
11. Calculate aerospace vehicle model (rigid body) mass moments/products of inertia (mass properties). Intuitively understand the relationship between mass properties and rigid body motion.
12. Write the linear/angular momentum vectors of a dynamic system.
13. Inertially differentiate linear/angular momentum vectors, set them equal to applied forces/moments and thereby write the equations of motion of the system.
14. Write the total kinetic energy and use it to solve for the motion/reaction forces, etc. of a dynamic system.
15. Use MotionGenesis to model the equations of motion of a dynamic system.
16. Pose an end-of-semester dynamics question and carry out a team project which answers the question.

### Correlation of AE138 Course Learning Objectives with ABET Outcomes

AE138 CLO	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1 - 14	++								x
15	++			x	x				x
16	++			x	x				x

- +: Skill level 1 or 2 in Bloom's Taxonomy
- ++: Skill level 3 or 4 in Bloom's Taxonomy
- +++: Skill level 5 or 6 in Bloom's Taxonomy
- x: Skill addressed but not assessed

## Required Text

Mitiguy: Dynamics of Mechanical, Aerospace and Biomechanical Systems, MotionGenesis, Inc.

## References

Hibbeler: Engineering Mechanics and Dynamics

Greenwood: Principles of Dynamics

Kane: Dynamics

Thomson: Introduction to Space Dynamics

Anderson: Introduction to Flight

## Course Requirements and Assignments

Homework	15%
Project	25%
Two Hour Exams	40%
Final Exam	20%

Reading assignments will be posted for most classes and should be completed before coming to class. Homework problems will be assigned every week or two. These homework sets are essential to your understanding. Allow 8 – 10 hours per week for homework. Often we will work problems in groups during the class period, sometimes for credit, sometimes not. As homework is graded and returned to you, I will post the solutions on Canvas and work selected problems on the board. If there is a particular problem that you would like to see worked out, please let me know and I will be sure to make time to do this.

## Final Examination

A comprehensive written final exam will be given on Thursday, December 15, 12:15 – 2:30pm.

## Determination of Grades

Grading Scale: 100 – 97% A+; 96.9 – 93% A; 92.9 – 90% A-; 89.9 – 87% B+; 86.9 – 83% B; 82.9 – 80% B-; 79.9 – 77% C+; 76.9 – 73% C; 72.9 – 70% C-; 69.9 – 67% D+; 66.9 – 63% D; 62.9 – 60% D-; < 59.9% F. All exams must be taken to receive a passing grade.

Homework & project assignments are due at the beginning of the class period.

## Course Schedule

Lecture	Lecture Outline
1	Class Overview
2	Vector dynamics review
3	Position vectors and vector geometry
4	Vector basis
5&6	Direction cosine matrices
7	Vector differentiation and integration
8&9	Angular velocity & angular acceleration
10&11	Points: Velocity and acceleration
12&13	Constraints
14&15	Particles
16	Mass, center of mass, centroid
17&18	Moments / Products of inertia
19&20	Inertia properties
21	Rigid Bodies, force and momentum
22&23	Force, impulse and resultant
24&25	Moments and torque
26&27	Equations of motion
28	Final exam review

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**Time Required** Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of forty-five hours over the length of the course (normally 3 hours per unit per week with 1 of the hours used for lecture) for instruction or preparation/ studying or course related activities including but not limited to internships, labs, clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.