

**Spring 2022 CEE-ME426-2: Nonlinear Finite Element II with Reduced Order Methods by Deep Learning Discrete Calculus**

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The course teaches students about deep learning inspired finite element methods and algorithms. Deep Learning Discrete Calculus (DLDC) is the latest development in the field of discrete calculus-based computational driven by deep learning. This course covers two complementary focus areas: (1) *Non-linear DLDC materials modeling* by the finite element and reduced-order multiscale modeling and simulation; (2) *DLDC approaches* for the analysis and design of complex material systems. Applications include soft matter and biomaterials, multiscale materials system, topology optimization, and large deformation analysis for manufacturing and extreme dynamics.

**Who should take this course:** This course will be of interest to students with a background in the following subjects: aerospace, applied mathematics, biomedical, civil, structural and mechanical engineering, and materials science.

**Module 1 (3 weeks): Finite Element Artificial Intelligent Solvers with Deep Learning Discrete Calculus (DLDC)**

- Introduction of 1D Deep-learning Neural Network (DNN)
- Structure for DLDC for Numerical Differentiation
- Derivation of 1D finite element interpolation using DNN
- Introduction of three operators: addition, multiplication, and inverse (divide) operators
- Principle of minimum potential energy and FEM mesh adaptivity
- B-spline and Reproducing Kernel Particle Method (RKPM)
- Numerical integration using DLDC

**Module 2 (4 weeks): Discover Linear and Non-Linear Material Laws by Deep Learning Methods**

Introduction to Deep Learning (DL) and its application to the discovery of general nonlinear elastic and elastic-plastic material laws without explicitly knowing the mathematical functional forms using stress and strain invariants.

- Stress and strain invariants
- Material laws: hyperelasticity and plasticity
- Mechanistic material law modeling using 1D data (MAP123 algorithm)
- Data-driven discovery of material laws using sparse identification
- Introduction to Digital Image Correlation (DIC)
- Discovering material laws from experiments using DIC

**Module 3 (3 weeks): Multiscale Reduced Order DLDC Method: Micromechanics with Modules 1 and 2**

- Eshelby's problem
- Concentration and Interaction tensors
- Derivation of Lipmann-Schwinger equation
- Introduction to Self-consistent Clustering Analysis (SCA)
- DLDC approximation of SCA and validation using DIC

**Projects:** Students must complete a final project. The proposal is due by the 4<sup>th</sup> week.

**Homework:** Homework assignments for each module related to the subject material will be given.

**Reading Assignments:** Three sets of reading assignments are to be completed with a comprehensive written summary of the suggested articles.

**Grading:** Homework (3×10%) + Reports of papers reading (3×10%) + Final Project (40%)

**Textbooks:**

1. Belytschko T, Liu WK, Moran B, Elkhodary K, Nonlinear Finite Element for Continua and Structures, John Wiley & Sons LTD, 2nd Edition 2013.
2. Liu, W.K., Gan, Z. and Fleming, M., 2021. Mechanistic Data Science for STEM Education and Applications. Springer.
3. Optional: Hughes, T.J., 2012. *The finite element method: linear static and dynamic finite element analysis*. Courier Corporation.

	Topics	Readings & Assignments
<b>Week 1 (Module 1)</b> Mar 29 (TU) & 31 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of 1D Deep-learning Neural Network (DeNN)</li> <li>• Concept of Deep Learning Discrete Calculus (DLDC)</li> <li>• Overview for Module 2 and Module 3</li> <li>• Concept of Interpolation: Lagrange Polynomial</li> <li>• Numerical Differentiation with Interpolation</li> <li>• Structure for DLDC for Numerical Differentiation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Papers in Module 1</li> <li>• HW1 (with 2 options): analyze and predict the velocity, acceleration using DLDC (2 weeks to finish)</li> </ul>
<b>Week 2 (Module 1)</b> Apr 5 (TU) & 7 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linear Finite Element Shape function with Neural Network</li> <li>• Concept of interpolation with Neural Network</li> <li>• Basic Operations: Addition, Multiplication, Division</li> <li>• Higher-order shape functions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chapters 1 and 3 from Mechanistic Data Science Book</li> </ul>
<b>Week 3 (Module 1)</b> Apr 12 (TU) & 14 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Principle of minimum potential energy</li> <li>• FEM mesh adaptivity</li> <li>• B-spline method</li> <li>• Reproducing Kernel Particle Method (RKPM)</li> <li>• Numerical integration using DLDC</li> </ul>	Submission of Project Proposal
<b>Week 4 (Module 2)</b> Apr 19 (TU) & 21 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stress and strain invariants</li> <li>• Introduction to constitutive modeling</li> <li>• Elasticity and hyperelasticity</li> <li>• Elastoplasticity</li> </ul>	Chapter 5 of “Nonlinear Finite Elements for Continua and Structures,” Ted Belytschko, Wing Kam Liu, Brian Moran, and Khalil Elkhodary, Second Edition, John Wiley & Sons, Ltd, December 2013.
<b>Week 5 (Module 2)</b> Apr 26 (TU) & 28 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mechanistic data-driven modeling of constitutive laws from low-dimensional data</li> <li>• MAP123 for hyperelasticity</li> <li>• MAP123 for elastoplasticity</li> </ul>	Papers [1] and [2] in Module 2 Selected sections of Chapters 3, 5 and 6 of Mechanistic Data Science book
<b>Week 6 (Module 2)</b> May 3 (TU) & 5 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mechanistic data-driven constitutive law discovery</li> <li>• Mechanistic data-driven stress update algorithm</li> <li>• Return mapping method for stress update</li> <li>• Stress update using DLDC</li> </ul>	<b>HW2:</b> Discovering Drucker-Prager plasticity law using a mechanistic data-driven method
<b>Week 7 (Module 2)</b> May 10 (TU) & 12 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to digital image correlation (DIC)</li> <li>• Discovering material laws from DIC data using DLDC</li> </ul>	Papers [3] and [4] in Module 2
<b>Week 8 (Module 3)</b> May 17 (TU) & 19 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eshelby’s problem</li> <li>• Micromechanics</li> <li>• Concentration and Interaction tensors</li> </ul>	Papers in Module 3 <b>HW3.</b> Solving for stress in a single inclusion problem using DLDC reduced order method
<b>Week 9 (Module 3)</b> May 24 (TU) & 26 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lipmann-Schwinger equation</li> <li>• Introduction to reduced-order models such as SCA (self-consistent clustering analysis)</li> </ul>	

<b>Week 10 (Module 3)</b> May 31 (TU) June 2 (TH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DLDC approximation of SCA</li> </ul>	
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### **Reading Assignments Module 1:**

[1] Saha et al., (2021). Hierarchical Deep Learning Neural Network (HiDeNN): An artificial intelligence (AI) framework for computational science and engineering. *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 373, 113452.

[2] Zhang et al., (2021). Hierarchical deep-learning neural networks: finite elements and beyond. *Computational Mechanics*, 67(1), 207-230.

### **Reading Assignments Module 2:**

[1] Tang et al., "MAP123: A data-driven approach to use 1D data for 3D nonlinear elastic materials modeling," *Comput. Methods Appl. Mech. Engrg.* 357 (2019) 112587.

[2] Tang et al., Map123-EP: A mechanistic-based data-driven approach for numerical elastoplastic analysis, *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering* 364 (2020) 112955.

[3] Yang, H., Qiu, H., Xiang, Q., Tang, S., & Guo, X. (2020). Exploring elastoplastic constitutive law of microstructured materials through artificial neural network—A mechanistic-based data-driven approach. *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, 87(9), 091005.

[4] Daoping Liu, Hang Yang, K.I. Elkhodary, Shan Tang, Wing Kam Liu, Xu Guo, Mechanistically informed data-driven modeling of cyclic plasticity via artificial neural networks, *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, Volume 393, 2022, 114766

### **Reading Assignment Module 3:**

[1] Liu, Z., Bessa, M. A., & Liu, W. K. (2016). Self-consistent clustering analysis: an efficient multi-scale scheme for inelastic heterogeneous materials. *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 306, 319-341.

[2] Liu, Z., Fleming, M., & Liu, W. K. (2018). Microstructural material database for self-consistent clustering analysis of elastoplastic strain softening materials. *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 330, 547-577.

#### **Optional**

[3] Schneider, M. (2019). On the mathematical foundations of the self-consistent clustering analysis for non-linear materials at small strains. *Computer Methods in Applied Mechanics and Engineering*, 354, 783-801.

### **Policies**

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