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ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT



The Department of Mechanical Engineering was established in the year 2005. At present, the department offers Graduate Programme – B.E., in Mechanical Engineering, Post Graduate Programme – M.E, in Engineering Design and Doctorate Programme – Ph.D., in Mechanical Engineering. The department has been accredited by National Board of Accreditation (NBA) in the year 2013 and Reaccredited in the year 2023. It is reputed for producing Engineers as Professionals, Researchers and Entrepreneurs. Many of its alumni play key roles in Industries and Institutions in India as well as in abroad. The department is proud to be collaborated with well-known Industries and Institutions in the emerging fields of Mechanical Engineering.

With a right combination of theory, practical, projects (hands-on) and industrial training in the areas such as Design, Thermal, Manufacturing and Energy Engineering, this programme has well placed itself as a well-known preference for the students

VISION

To be recognized as a centre of excellence in the field of Mechanical Engineering and to produce competent engineers with multi-disciplinary exposure to meet the changing needs of the society.

MISSION

- To enrich technical knowledge and skills by imparting quality education with ethics and social responsibility.
- To empower the students in the thrust areas of Mechanical, Allied Engineering and Entrepreneurship in the continually changing global market.
- To provide a conducive learning environment for improving continually to cater the

"The Essential Functions of Mechanical Engineers"

Mechanical engineers are pivotal in numerous industries due to their expertise in designing, developing, and maintaining mechanical systems. They play essential roles in creating innovative solutions and optimizing processes to enhance efficiency and sustainability. They ensure quality and reliability through rigorous testing and quality control measures and manage projects to meet deadlines and budget constraints. Additionally, they provide technical support and consulting services, helping to solve complex engineering challenges.

Design and Development

Product Design: Creating and refining products, ensuring they meet functional and aesthetic requirements.

System Design: Developing complex mechanical systems such as engines, HVAC systems, and manufacturing equipment.

Research and Development (R&D)

Innovative Solutions: Working on cutting-edge technologies to solve existing problems or improve efficiency.

Materials Research: Studying new materials to enhance product performance and durability.

Manufacturing

Process Optimization: Designing and improving manufacturing processes to boost efficiency and reduce costs.

Quality Control: Ensuring products meet quality standards through rigorous testing and inspection.

Maintenance and Operations

Maintenance Planning: Developing maintenance schedules to ensure the longevity and reliability of machinery.

Operational Management: Overseeing the daily operations of mechanical systems to ensure smooth functioning.

Project Management

Project Planning: Managing projects from concept to completion, ensuring they are delivered on time and within budget.

Team Collaboration: Coordinating with other engineers, designers, and stakeholders.

Aerospace Engineering: Working on the design and development of aircraft and spacecraft.

Automotive Engineering: Focusing on the design, production, and operation of vehicles.

Biomechanical Engineering: Applying mechanical principles to medical devices and biological systems.



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<u>"The Synergy of Robotics: Integrating Mechanical Engineering,</u> <u>Mechatronics, and Manufacturing applications"</u>



Mechanical Engineering in Robotics: Mechanical engineering forms the backbone of robotics, focusing on the design and construction of the robotic systems. Mechanical engineers create the physical structure of robots, ensuring they are durable and capable of performing the intended tasks

Role of Mechatronics: Mechatronics is a multidisciplinary field that blends mechanical engineering with electronics, computer science, and control engineering. In robotics, mechatronics engineers integrate sensors, actuators, and control systems to make robots intelligent and autonomous

Manufacturing Applications: The manufacturing sector has greatly benefited from advancements in robotics. Robotics in manufacturing includes everything from assembly lines to packaging, welding, and quality control. The introduction of collaborative robots, or cobots, has further transformed manufacturing by allowing humans and robots to work side by side, enhancing productivity and safety.

Generation of Robotics: The evolution of robotics has seen a transition from simple, singletask machines to highly sophisticated, multi-functional robots. Modern robots, however, are equipped with advanced AI and machine learning capabilities, allowing them to learn from their environment and perform complex tasks.

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"Revolutionizing Industry: Advanced Manufacturing"



Advanced Manufacturing Machines:

Computer Numerical Control (CNC) Machines: CNC machines have revolutionized manufacturing by enabling precise and automated control of machining processes. These machines use computerized controls to perform intricate operations such as cutting, drilling, and milling with high precision and repeatability.

3D Printers: Additive manufacturing, commonly known as 3D printing, has opened new possibilities for creating complex geometries and customized products. This technology is particularly valuable in industries like aerospace, healthcare, and automotive.

Robotics and Automation: Industrial robots and automation systems play a vital role in modern manufacturing. Robots can handle repetitive, dangerous, and precise tasks with consistency and accuracy. Collaborative robots (cobots) work alongside humans, combining the strengths of both to achieve higher efficiency and safety.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning: AI and machine learning technologies are transforming manufacturing by enabling predictive maintenance, quality control, and process optimization. These technologies analyze vast amounts of data from sensors and machines to predict equipment failures, optimize production schedules, and improve product quality.

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<u>"Mastering GD&T: Essential Tools for Precision in Modern</u> <u>Manufacturing"</u>



Geometric Dimensioning and Tolerancing (GD&T) is a standardized system engineers and manufacturers use to define and communicate design intent, product geometry, and tolerances to ensure precise control over manufacturing variations. By providing a common language for expressing design intent, GD&T improves communication between customers, suppliers, and production teams, ensuring alignment on top-quality manufactured parts1.

Benefits of GD&T:

- Standardized Design Language: Clear, precise, and consistent communication between all parties involved in the manufacturing process.
- Improved Quality: Reduces manufacturing errors and enhances product quality by focusing on functional interfaces.
- Cost Efficiency: Optimizes production processes, reducing waste and improving efficiency.

Key Concepts in GD&T:

- Datum Reference Frame: Establishes a reference for measuring and manufacturing parts.
- Basic Dimensions: Define the nominal geometry of a part without tolerances.
- GD&T Symbols: Represent specific geometric characteristics and tolerances.
- Material Condition Modifiers: Indicate the allowable variation in size based on material conditions.

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<u>"CAD/CAM/CAE Tools for Mechanical Engineers: Enhancing</u> <u>Design and Manufacturing"</u>



CAD Tools

- AutoCAD: Widely used for drafting and 2D design.
- SolidWorks: Known for its robust 3D modeling capabilities.
- Fusion 360: An integrated platform for CAD, CAM, and CAE.
- CATIA: Used extensively in aerospace and automotive industries.

CAM Tools

- Mastercam: Popular for CNC programming.
- Fusion 360: Offers CAM capabilities alongside CAD and CAE.
- HyperMill: Used for complex machining processes.

CAE Tools

- **ANSYS**: Used for finite element analysis (FEA) and computational fluid dynamics (CFD).
- Abaqus: Known for advanced FEA capabilities.
- Fusion 360: Provides CAE features for early-stage design simulations.

Usage in Mechanical Engineering

Mechanical engineers use CAD tools to design parts and assemblies, ensuring accuracy and adherence to specifications. CAM tools are employed to generate toolpaths for CNC machines, optimizing manufacturing processes. CAE tools help in predicting product performance, identifying potential issues, and improving designs before physical prototypes are built.

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