

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING TRIPOS

Part IIB

SYLLABUS 2017-18

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General Introduction

Students reading the Chemical Engineering Tripos normally progress as follows:

- 1st year: Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos or Part IA Engineering Tripos
- 2nd year: Part I Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET I)
- 3rd year: Part IIA Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET IIA)
- 4th year: Part IIB Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET IIB)

Progress is dependent on satisfactory performance in the previous year's course – honours standard in CET I is sufficient to do CET IIA. Students are normally required to achieve class II.2 or higher in CET IIA in order to progress to CET IIB.

The educational aims of the overall Chemical Engineering Tripos are to:

- give a sound education in the fundamentals of Chemical Engineering;
- develop the skills and confidence necessary for the solution of problems in the chemical, biochemical and allied industries;
- produce graduates of the highest calibre;
- provide an education accredited by the Institution of Chemical Engineers.

Outline of Part I Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET I)

In Part I students gain a broad exposure to the core Chemical Engineering topics.

There are lecture courses on:

- Fundamentals: process calculations; fluid mechanics; biotechnology fundamentals; heat and mass transfer fundamentals
- Process operations: separations; homogeneous reactors; biotechnology operations; heat and mass transfer operations
- Process systems: introductory chemical engineering
- Mathematics: engineering mathematics
- Enabling topics: stress analysis and pressure vessels; mechanical engineering for those who read Natural Sciences in the first year; introductory chemistry for those who read Engineering in the first year

In addition, students are required to undertake classes on:

- Exercises
- Chemical Engineering laboratory
- Computing skills
- Professional skills
- Engineering drawing: for those who read Natural Sciences in the first year
- Physical chemistry laboratory: for those who read Engineering in the first year

Full details of these courses are provided in the Part I Syllabus Document.

Students for Part I take four written examination papers. Papers 1-3 are taken by all students. Paper 4(1) is taken by students who read Natural Sciences in the first year, and Paper 4(2) is taken by students who read Engineering in the first year. The format of examinations and weighting of written papers and project work is given in the Form and Conduct Notice published each year by the Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate.

Outline of Part IIA Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET IIA)

In Part IIA students continue their study of core chemical engineering topics, both by extending subjects that were introduced in Part I and by being exposed to new topics.

There are lecture courses on:

- Fundamentals: advanced fluid mechanics; equilibrium thermodynamics; radiative heat transfer; corrosion and materials
- Process operations: heterogeneous reactors; separations; bioprocessing; particle processing
- Process systems: process dynamics and control; process synthesis; safety, health and environment
- Mathematical methods: partial differential equations; statistics
- Enabling topics: process design

In addition, students are required to undertake:

- Exercises
- Design project
- Engineering ethics

Full details of these courses are provided in the Part IIA Syllabus Document.

Students for Part IIA take four written examination papers. These examinations are near the start of Easter term, after which the Design Project takes place. The format of examinations and weighting of written papers and project work is given in the Form and Conduct Notice published each year by the Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate.

Rather than staying on for Part IIB, students may graduate with a B.A. degree after successfully completing Part IIA. Students leaving at this stage have not fully completed the academic requirements of the IChemE for becoming a Chartered Engineer.

Outline of Part IIB Chemical Engineering Tripos (CET IIB)

Part IIB is a masters-level course that gives students a deeper understanding of some fundamental subjects, introduces a range of specialist areas of knowledge, and provides an opportunity for broadening their education.

Topics in Groups A and D are compulsory. Students are required to take a total of six modules from Groups B and C, of which at least two must come from Group B and at least two must come from Group C. Further, at least two of the six modules chosen from Groups B and C should be assessed principally or entirely by written examination.

Group A consists of the following compulsory topics.

- Sustainability in chemical engineering
- Energy technology
- Chemical product design

Group B consists of advanced chemical engineering topics.

- Advanced transport processes
- Pharmaceutical engineering
- Rheology and processing
- Computational fluid dynamics
- Fluid mechanics and the environment
- Interface engineering

Group C consists of broadening material topics.

- Optical microscopy
- Optimisation
- Healthcare biotechnology
- Entrepreneurship
- Foreign language
- Biosensors
- Bionanotechnology
- Biophysics

Group D topic is a compulsory project. Each student undertakes a research project, usually in collaboration with another student, supervised by a member of staff.

Full details of these courses are provided in the Part IIB Syllabus Document.

The format of examinations and weighting of written papers and project work is given in the Form and Conduct Notice published each year by the Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate.

Students graduate with B.A. and M.Eng. degrees after successfully completing Part IIB. Provided they performed satisfactorily in the design component, they have satisfied the academic requirements of the IChemE for becoming a Chartered Engineer.

Student Workload Statement

It is expected that students will:

- attend and be attentive in all lectures and related classes;
- complete all assignments to a satisfactory standard by the imposed deadlines;
- prepare properly for all College supervisions;
- work in the vacations on consolidation, revision, exam preparation and any coursework.

The normal workload for a typical chemical engineering student is 45 hours each week during term. However, this is not a hard and fast figure. Some students work intensely and can achieve a great deal in an hour. Other students work less efficiently. In an ideal world, students would work on a particular task (problem sheet, lab write-up, exercise report) until the desired learning outcomes have been achieved. That said, students are advised not to spend significantly more time on work than the typical workload on a frequent basis. For supervision work, while it can be useful educationally for a student to battle through a problem to reach a solution (even if it takes a long time), it is perfectly acceptable for a student to “give up” after a decent effort and go on to the next question. One of the roles of supervisions is for students to ask for help on questions that they cannot answer. Question & Answer sessions and demonstrator assistance are also provided for much of the coursework to assist students.

Student Feedback

The Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology has a strong tradition of good relations between staff and students, possibly facilitated by the tea room, and takes student feedback seriously.

You will be asked to complete a questionnaire on each lecture unit when it finishes. You will also be asked to complete an end-of-year questionnaire on the overall course. Please take time to fill these in. Staff very much value receiving constructive comments.

If there are any problems with teaching in the Department, please tell the lecturer or course organiser. It is a good idea to tell the organiser before the end of the course because it may be possible to rectify the problem. If the problem persists, then please tell the Director of Teaching, Dr Patrick Barrie. If you prefer to make comments anonymously, this can be done by e-mail to library@ceb.cam.ac.uk – the librarian will remove names before passing the comments on to relevant academic staff.

If there are any problems with College supervisions, then please tell your Director of Studies or Senior Tutor.

A further feedback mechanism within the Department is provided by the Staff-Student Consultative Committee (SSCC). This is the formal forum in which students comment on issues concerning life in the Department. Two student representatives will be elected from each undergraduate year group early in Michaelmas term to serve on this Committee. The SSCC also includes M.Phil. student representatives and Ph.D. student representatives. Meetings are held at least once a term.

There is also an undergraduate representative on the Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology Syndicate. This is the University body that is responsible for overseeing the running of the Department – it is the equivalent of a Faculty Board. The election of the undergraduate representative to the Syndicate takes place late in Michaelmas term.

Chemical Engineering Tripos: information on plagiarism

The University's website on plagiarism makes the following statement:

"Plagiarism is defined as submitting as one's own work, irrespective of intent to deceive, that which derives in part or in its entirety from the work of others without due acknowledgement. It is both poor scholarship and a breach of academic integrity."

The open literature, including web-based literature, is available for you to consult. Discussions about continually assessed work with other students, or with demonstrators or supervisors, can be beneficial, and we wish to encourage such discussions. However, any work that you submit for assessment must represent your own knowledge and understanding and not that of someone else. When you draw on the work of others, e.g. words, facts, data, ideas, diagrams, and software, you must acknowledge the source with an appropriate citation.

Any attempt to pass off the work of others as your own is a serious offence. If plagiarism (which includes unauthorised collusion) is detected, the Examiners will award a mark which reflects the underlying academic merit and extent of a candidate's own work. Further, the case may be referred to the Senior Proctor, the University Advocate, or taken to the University's Court of Discipline, depending on the nature of the offence.

Moreover, as well as not copying the work of others, you should not allow another person to copy your work. If you allow another person to copy your work, you may be found guilty of assisting an attempt to use unfair means.

Some continually assessed work is designed to be carried out individually, and some in collaboration with other students. The specifications regarding the manner of working and reporting are shown in the Student Collaboration Table below.

Information about the University's policy and procedures on plagiarism can be found at <http://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/univ/plagiarism/>

Plagiarism Form

At the start of the academic year, you will be asked to sign a form confirming that you have read and understood the policies and procedures of the Department and the University on plagiarism.

Student Collaboration Table 2017/2018

| Level | Course | Instructions |
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| CET I | Exercises | You must work as an individual. |
| CET I | Chemical Engineering Laboratory | You normally work in a group of two. You may collaborate with the other member or members of your group in conducting experiments and theoretical investigations, but your reports must be written independently. |
| CET I | Computing Skills | You must work as an individual. |
| CET I | Engineering Drawing | You must work as an individual. |
| CET I | Physical Chemistry Laboratory | You normally work in a group of two. You may collaborate with the other members of your group in conducting experiments and theoretical investigations, but your reports must be written independently. |
| CET IIA | Engineering Ethics | You must work as an individual. |
| CET IIA | Exercises | You must work as an individual. |
| CET IIA | Design Project | Because the projects are carried out in groups, cooperation between members of each group is essential. However, collaboration between different groups, and exchange of information, drawings, text, calculations and computer files, other than that which takes place at office hours and seminars, is prohibited. The report and associated calculations must represent the work only of the members of the group. |
| CET IIB | Chemical Product Design | Because some of the work is carried out in groups, cooperation between members of each group is essential. However, collaboration between different groups, and exchange of information, drawings, text, calculations and computer files, other than that which takes place during and following workshops and seminars, is prohibited. All individual reports must be written individually. |
| CET IIB | Research Project | You normally work in pairs, in which case you may collaborate with your partner in conducting experiments and theoretical investigations, but your reports must be written independently. If you work with a research group, you may collaborate with members of the group on experimental and theoretical investigations. However, your report must be written independently, and you should clearly state the assistance provided by other members of the research group. |
| CET IIB | Computational Fluid Dynamics | You must work as an individual. |
| CET IIB | Interface Engineering | You must work as an individual. |
| CET IIB | Healthcare Biotechnology | You must work as an individual when specified. You may work in a group when it is specified that you may do so, but all reports must be written independently. |
| CET IIB | Entrepreneurship | Because the projects are carried out in groups, cooperation between members of each group is essential. However, collaboration between different groups, and exchange of information, drawings, text, calculations and computer files, other than that which takes place at office hours and seminars, is prohibited. The group report must represent the work only of the members of the group. The individual reports must be written individually. |
| CET IIB | Foreign Language | You must work as an individual. |
| CET IIB | Biosensors | You must work as an individual when specified. When it is specified that you should work in a group, you may collaborate with the other members of your group in conducting experiments, theoretical investigations, and design exercises but your reports must be written independently. |
| CET IIB | Bionanotechnology | You must work as an individual when specified. You may work in a group when it is specified that you may do so, but all reports must be written independently. |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Sustainability in Chemical Engineering | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | LT 2018 | 12 lectures |
| Background | | |
| Achieving the state of sustainability is seen as a critical societal challenge. It is a major factor in decision making in most industries employing chemical engineering graduates. This course will examine the foundation principles of sustainability, sustainability challenges in specific application areas and the role of chemical engineering in attaining the goals of sustainable development. | | |
| Aims | | |
| This course provides an overview of sustainability in a chemical engineering context. The aim is to establish the conceptual framework and apply quantitative methods to the analysis of chemical engineering technology with respect to its impact on sustainability. | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| After completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to: | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the concept of sustainability as a system's problem • Understand basic concepts of general systems theory in application to technology systems • Understand basic principles of environmental ecology; understand interaction of technological and environmental systems and their interconnections • Describe principles of life cycle thinking; apply life cycle analysis to simple chemical processes • Use thermodynamic analysis of simple chemical systems; be able to calculate exergy of technical systems • Describe the water-energy-food nexus – an example of a system's problem. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Thermodynamics | CET I Process calculations CET IIA Equilibrium thermodynamics | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| This course builds on material taught in CET I and CET IIB. | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| Two problem sheets will be issued during lectures This course was revised in 2014-15. Past examinations questions are: CET IIB 2015-17 Paper A1 Section B. The following examination questions on the previous form of the course may be useful: CET IIB 2010-2014: Paper A1 Section B | | |
| Assessment | | |
| The material from this unit is assessed by written examination. | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
| AAL 1/9/2017 | PJB | Group A: Compulsory Topics |

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| Unit Sustainability | Staff Prof. A.A. Lapkin |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sustainability as a system' science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three pillars of sustainability Mathematical definitions of sustainability General systems theory and its application to sustainability 2. Life cycle thinking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles of LCA LCA of chemical processes 3. Thermodynamics-based evaluation of environmental sustainability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd Law efficiency Exergy 4. Water-food-energy nexus | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>References to original and review papers for background reading and discussion will be mentioned during lectures and deposited in Moodle.</p> <p>The following general books may be useful:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Robertson, "Sustainability Principles and Practice", Routledge, 2014. • S.A. Moore (editor), "Pragmatic Sustainability. Theoretical and Practical Tools", Routledge, 2010. | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Energy Technology | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 / LT 2018 | 20 lectures |
| Background | | |
| <p>The future of society in the 21st century depends hugely on developments in Energy Technology. Most large-scale methods for converting energy from one form into another, including generation of electricity, depend on chemical engineering principles. It is good for students to revise chemical engineering principles by seeing how they can be applied in the field of energy technology.</p> | | |
| Aims | | |
| <p>The aim of the course is to use chemical engineering principles to perform calculations of relevance to the energy industries. The courses includes combustion science, the fundamentals of nuclear energy, renewable energy processes, and energy storage.</p> | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| <p>On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ describe the principles of energy storage ▪ describe and perform calculations on gas-phase combustion reactions ▪ describe and perform calculations on liquid-phase combustion reactions ▪ describe and perform calculations on combustion of solids ▪ describe and perform calculations on wind turbines ▪ describe and perform calculations on hydroelectric turbines ▪ describe and perform calculations involving solar energy ▪ describe the physical principles behind radioactivity and nuclear reactions ▪ describe and perform calculations on radioactive decay ▪ describe and perform calculations on nuclear reactor design ▪ describe and perform calculations on poisoning of fission nuclear reactors ▪ describe the main features of nuclear power plants, including the safety aspects | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Chemical Engineering principles | CET I and CET IIA | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| <p>This course is designed to revise and build upon key chemical engineering topics covered in previous years.</p> | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| <p>Two examples sheets will be issued during lectures. This course was given for the first time in 2014-15. The past exam questions are CET IIB 2015-2017 / Paper A1 / questions 1 and 2</p> | | |
| Assessment | | |
| <p>The material from this unit is assessed by written examination.</p> | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
| PJB/CdA 1/9/17 | PJB | Group A: Compulsory Topics |

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| Unit Energy | Staff Drs P.J. Barrie and C. d'Agostino |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>The topics of the course will not necessarily be given in the order presented here.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Electricity and energy storage 2) Combustion processes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction: combustion; heating values; types of flame • Combustion of gases: temperature in a flame; equilibrium; flame propagation; thermal explosions; radical explosions; chemical kinetics for $H_2 + O_2$ • Combustion of liquids: heating time; mass transport, energy transport and combining equations • Combustion of solids: coal; biomass 3) Nuclear energy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundamentals of nuclear physics: atomic structure; binding mass energy; nuclear stability of isotopes; radioactive decay • Nuclear reactor physics: nuclear reactions; nuclear fusion; nuclear fission; nuclear fuel; nuclear power plants; handling of nuclear wastes • Safety aspects 4) Renewable energy processes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind energy: wind turbines; power coefficient; Betz limit; force on turbine; turbine blade design; power output for a steady wind; wind speed distribution; siting of wind turbines • Hydropower: introduction; impulse and reaction turbines; Euler's turbine equation • Solar energy | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>One textbook with an appropriate approach (though not always sufficient detail) is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ J. Andrews and N. Jelley: "Energy Science" (3rd ed., Oxford University Press, 2017). <p>A suitable textbook on the second half of the course is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R.L. Murray and K.E. Holbert: "Nuclear Energy" (7th ed., Butterworth-Heinemann, 2014) | |

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| <i>Unit</i> | | |
| Chemical Product Design | | |
| <i>Level</i> CET IIB | <i>Term</i> MT 2017 | <i>Duration</i> 8 × 2 hour sessions + assessments |
| <i>Background</i> Chemical and biochemical product design is an important activity for many industrial companies. Many practising chemical engineers need an understanding of product design in addition to process design. | | |
| <i>Aims</i> To prepare students for the increasingly diverse range of challenges faced by chemical engineers in industry, in particular the increasing emphasis on design of the product in addition to the process. | | |
| <i>Learning Outcomes</i> On completing this course, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • apply fundamental chemical engineering principles to design chemical and biochemical products at a level suitable to make an initial assessment of their viability/functionality/feasibility; • demonstrate confidence in data/parameter estimation such that a pragmatic level of design can be carried out; • make pragmatic assumptions about processes and products such that an initial level of design can be carried out; • summarise succinctly and report both orally and in writing key information relating to their designs; • demonstrate an understanding of the particularities of the design and manufacture of biochemical and nanotechnology inspired products. | | |
| <i>Assumed Knowledge</i> | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Chemical engineering principles | CET I and CET IIA | |
| Biotechnology and bioprocess engineering | CET I and CET IIA | |
| <i>Connections To Other Units</i> This course builds upon, and extends, design philosophies gained in CET IIA process design. | | |
| <i>Self Assessment</i> | | |
| <i>Assessment</i> This course is assessed by coursework, including both written reports and oral presentations. Group and individual work will be included in the assessment. An element of peer assessment will be used in marking. | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> LF/GC 10/8/2017 | <i>Approved</i> PJB | <i>Subject Grouping</i> Group A: Compulsory Topics |

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| <p>Unit Product design</p> | <p>Staff Dr L. Fruk and Dr G. Christie</p> |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>Chemical engineering shares with other engineering disciplines a tradition of courses in design. In these courses, students use what they have learned to synthesize new solutions to relevant problems. Normally, these problems have centred on chemical processes. For example, students can design an ammonia synthesis plant, or a cryogenic distillation unit for air separation.</p> <p>This design experience has been a mainstay of the profession for over fifty years. It has successfully prepared students to work for large multi-national companies who make commodity chemicals. It has served the profession well.</p> <p>However, over the last couple of decades, fewer students have gone to work for these commodity chemical companies. Increasing numbers take jobs in specialty chemicals, consumer products, and biomedical industries. Some of these jobs are in start-up companies. For students anticipating this type of career, process design may not be appropriate.</p> <p>This course will centre on product design, not process design. In its lectures, it will review the business strategies, the idea generation, and the product architecture characteristic of product design. Students will solve open-ended problems based on particular products. For example, they could design a blood oxygenator, an energy-saving building ventilator, or a device for controlling drug release.</p> <p>This course is based on a four stage template for product design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Needs • Ideas • Selection • Manufacture <p>Three types of product are discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Molecular, e.g. drugs, pesticides, flavours, colours • Microstructured, e.g. shoe polish, ice cream, paint • Devices, e.g. artificial kidney, home oxygen enricher, house ventilator <p>Emphasis will be placed on the design and manufacture of biochemical products and sensors – these are gaining increasing importance in the modern chemical industry.</p> <p>The two hour sessions will include periods of lecture and working on problems, either in groups or individually. These sessions will provide the basis for pieces of continually assessed work, either by a written report or an oral presentation.</p> | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>The following books are recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • K.T. Ulrich and S.D. Eppinger, “Product Design and Development”, McGraw-Hill, 5th ed. 2011. • E.L. Cussler and G.D. Moggridge, “Chemical Product Design”, Cambridge University Press, 2nd ed. 2011. | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Advanced Transport Processes | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 16 lectures |
| <i>Background</i> | | |
| <p>Transport processes is one of the fundamental topics that helps define the chemical engineering discipline. The ability to model transport processes in different situations, such as in porous solids, in packed beds, in the presence of reaction and so on, is an important part of a chemical engineer's training.</p> | | |
| <i>Aims</i> | | |
| <p>The overall aim is to enable students to formulate solutions to unfamiliar transport problems occurring in chemical engineering. The course will emphasise the tackling of problems by applying fundamentals to produce a solution.</p> | | |
| <i>Learning Outcomes</i> | | |
| <p>After completing this course and associated problem sheets, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ perform calculations on advective and diffusive fluxes in binary systems. ▪ describe diffusion in multicomponent systems, and understand the limitations of Fick's law. ▪ determine interphase heat and mass transfer coefficients in rich systems with significant fluxes of components. ▪ calculate the rate of transfer between gas and liquid phases when the gas reacts with the liquid at a finite rate. ▪ set up and use models for time-dependent transport problems. ▪ set up and use models for how fluid disperses as it travels through an open tube or a packed bed. ▪ tackle problems involving transport in porous solids. | | |
| <i>Assumed Knowledge</i> | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Core chemical engineering topics | CET I and CET IIA | |
| <i>Connections To Other Units</i> | | |
| <p>This course builds on the knowledge gained in the CET I Transport Processes lectures, and the applications in CET I and CET IIA.</p> | | |
| <i>Self Assessment</i> | | |
| <p>There will be five problem sheets. Fully documented solutions will be available 10 days after each problem sheet is issued.</p> <p>The following examination papers indicate the level of achievement expected: CET IIB 2013-2017 Paper B1.</p> | | |
| <i>Assessment</i> | | |
| <p>The material from this unit is assessed by written examination.</p> | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
| JSD 11/9/2017 | PJB | Group B: Advanced Chemical Engineering Topics |

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| Unit Advanced Transport | Staff Prof. J.S. Dennis |
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Synopsis

1. Mass and Energy Transport in a Binary System.
 - understanding advective and diffusive fluxes in binary systems.
2. Multicomponent Diffusion – Stefan-Maxwell Equations.
 - to understand what happens in a diffusing system when there are more than two components and there are significant changes in concentration, as in a practical catalyst. Limitations of Fick’s Law.
3. Interphase Mass Transfer – Binary and Multicomponent Systems
 - how to determine heat and mass transfer coefficients in rich systems with significant fluxes of components.
4. Interphase Mass Transfer Continued: Gas-Liquid Mass Transfer
 - how to calculate the rate of transfer between a gas and liquid when the gas reacts with the liquid at a finite rate. Time-dependent aspects of gas absorption.
5. Time-Dependent PDEs – Revision and Extension
 - an extension of material covered in Part IIA PDEs to allow solution of time-dependent transport problems.
6. Reaction and Dispersion
 - how fluid disperses as it travels through a packed or open tube. Understanding tracer measurements on packed beds. How to formulate the correct boundary conditions for a packed bed reactor.
7. Transport in Porous Solids
 - how to tackle problems involving practical catalysts (gas-solid reactions).

Teaching Materials

Advice on suitable background reading will be given in lectures.

It is expected that one or two revision lectures will be given in the Easter Term, depending on demand.

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Pharmaceutical Engineering | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | LT 2018 | 16 lectures |
| Background | | |
| <p>The pharmaceutical industry contributes a key part to the UK economy and it stands out as one of the nation's largest manufacturing exporters. There are ample opportunities for chemical engineers to contribute their expertise in this sector. The industry is a major energy consumer and manufacturing practice sometimes lags behind other process industries (such as food) even though product quality is critical.</p> | | |
| Aims | | |
| <p>This course aims to give students an understanding of the fundamentals of pharmaceutical engineering. It introduces the subject and builds on established concepts from general chemical engineering to highlight specific applications and requirements of this industrial sector.</p> | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| <p>On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Understand the complex requirements set by pharmacological efficacy, formulation, primary and secondary manufacturing as well as the regulatory framework that govern this global industry ▪ Have an appreciation for the cultural differences between the R&D and manufacturing environments ▪ Understand the different type of dosage forms manufactured by the industry (solids, semi-solids and liquids) ▪ Know the major unit operations currently in place for batch production ▪ Understand the barriers that prevent further improvements to the quality of medicines using present manufacturing technologies ▪ Understand the state of the art in the drive towards continuous production, quality-by-design and process analytical technology | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Chemical thermodynamics; reaction kinetics | CET I and CET IIA | |
| Heat and mass transfer | CET I | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| <p>Pharmaceutical engineering is an extension to the general chemical engineering principles that the students have become familiarised with throughout CET I and IIA.</p> | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| <p>Problem sheets will be issued during the lectures. This course was taught for the first time in 2015-16. Past exam papers: CET IIB 2016-17 Paper B3.</p> | | |
| Assessment | | |
| <p>The material from this unit is assessed by written examination.</p> | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
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| Unit Pharmaceutical Engineering | Staff Prof. J.A. Zeitler |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Pharmaceutical Industry 2) Design of Solid Dosage Forms <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Physicochemical properties b. Pharmacokinetics 3) Immediate Release Tablets <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Formulation b. Processing 4) Current Trends in Pharmaceutical Processing <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Quality by Design (QbD) b. Multivariate Analysis c. Process Analytical Technology (PAT) d. Microstructure Engineering e. Continuous Manufacturing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Real time release testing • Regulatory requirements • Example of continuous process • Advanced process control 5) Modified Release Technology <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Concepts b. Drug Release Behaviors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diffusion barriers • Matrix technology • Osmotic drug delivery control c. Processing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tablet film coating • Extrusion and spheronisation • Pellet film coating 6) Outlook <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Other Dosage Forms b. Personalised Medicine | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>The following textbooks are useful:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ D.J. am Ende (ed.), “Chemical Engineering in the Pharmaceutical Industry”, Wiley, 2011. ▪ M.E. Aulton and K.M.G. Taylor (eds.), “Aulton’s Pharmaceutics”, Elsevier, 4th ed., 2013. ▪ P.J. Sinko (ed.), “Martin’s Physical Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences”, Wolters Kluwer, 6th ed., 2011. ▪ Y. Qiu <i>et al.</i> (eds.), “Developing Solid Oral Dosage Forms”, Academic, 2009. | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Rheology and Processing | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 16 lectures |
| Background | | |
| Rheology is the study of deformation and flow of all states of matter and the subject underpins our understanding of the way materials and liquids deform. Many of the materials and fluids handled by chemical engineers are not simple Newtonian liquids or elastic solids. Rheology is central to many chemical engineering applications, particular those involved in the 'sticky' end of processing such as polymers, paints, foodstuffs, pastes and bio-polymers. | | |
| Aims | | |
| The course aims to give students a grounding in rheology and its relationship to processes. It describes key concepts in rheology and rheological measurements, covers viscoelasticity and viscoplasticity, and includes some applications. | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to: | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Describe the constitutive equations that are used in rheology. ▪ Develop quantitative models of, and analyse data from, the standard techniques used to make rheological measurements. ▪ Describe the physics of simple non-Newtonian fluids and employ this knowledge to construct quantitative models of flows of power law fluids in regular 1-D geometries. ▪ Derive relationships between flowrate, pressure drop (and derived quantities) for viscoelastic and viscoplastic fluids in standard geometries. ▪ Quantify the effect of time on the viscosity of structured and viscoelastic fluids. ▪ Describe and quantify the effects of formulation and processing parameters on the apparent viscosity of structured fluids. ▪ Understand the flow behaviour of suspensions and other multiphase fluids. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Mathematics | Part IA, CET I, CET IIA | |
| Fluid mechanics | CET I, CET IIA | |
| Concepts of stress and strain | CET I SAPV | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| This module builds on previous courses in CET I and CET IIA that have been concerned with Newtonian and power law flow. It also uses concepts of stress and strain developed in the CET I SAPV lectures. | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| Two problem sheets will be issued during the module, with solutions provided on Moodle. A complete list of past exam questions will be provided. The recommended supervision schedule is | | |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Examples paper A (2) Examples paper B (3) Tripos Qs and revision | | |
| Past exam papers: 2016-17 Paper B4 ; 2015 Paper B8 ; 2014 Paper B9 ; 2011-2013 Paper B8 | | |
| Assessment | | |
| The material from this unit is assessed by written examination. | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
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| Unit Rheology | Staff Drs B. Hallmark & C.J. Ness |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>The module is organised in four sections of four lectures. The first 8 lectures will be given by Dr Hallmark, and the final 8 lectures will be given by Dr Ness.</p> <p>A. Key concepts in rheology and rheometry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revision of stress, strain and strain rate • The Newtonian constitutive equation • The generalised Newtonian constitutive equation • The power law fluid • Carreau and Carreau-Yasuda fluids • Measurement techniques and devices; capillary and rotational rheometry <p>B. Viscoelasticity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Viscoelastic flow • Modelling viscoelastic flow • Building a phenomenological model of viscoelasticity • The Maxwell model in differential form • The Maxwell model in integral form with respect to strain rate and strain • The general linear viscoelastic model • The multimode Maxwell model and the Wagner damping factor • Examination of the Cox-Merz rule • Extension beyond small gradient flows • Determining viscoelastic parameters from rheological measurements <p>C. Viscoplasticity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The yield stress concept and constitutive equations • Viscoplastic fluid flow patterns in simple shear • Extensional flows of viscoplastic fluids: perfect plasticity and simulations • Critique of the yield stress concept • Wall slip <p>D. Applications and multiphase systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rheology and microstructure: the Cross model as a quantitative constitutive model • Suspensions • Emulsions • Foams and bubbly liquids | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>Lecture notes and examples papers are provided and are posted on Moodle. Annotated notes are not provided. There are a number of good books available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ J.F. Steffe, “Rheological Methods in Food Process Engineering”, Freeman Press, 2nd ed. 1996: available free on-line at https://sites.google.com/site/jfsteffe/freeman-press ▪ J.M. Dealy and K.F. Wissbrun, “Melt Rheology and its Role in Plastics Processing”, Van Nostrand, 1990. ▪ C.W. Macosko, “Rheology: principles, measurements and applications”, Wiley-VCH, 1994. ▪ J.M. Dealy and R.G. Larson, “Structure and Rheology of Molten Polymers”, Hanser, 2006. ▪ F.A. Morrison, “Understanding Rheology”, Oxford University Press, 2001. | |

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| <i>Unit</i> | | |
| Computational Fluid Dynamics | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 8 lectures + 8 classes |
| <i>Background</i> | | |
| <p>Computational fluid dynamics (CFD) is a branch of fluid mechanics which uses numerical methods and algorithms to solve and analyse problems that involve fluid flows. Computers are used to perform the calculations required to simulate the interaction of liquids and gases with surfaces, as defined by suitable boundary conditions. CFD models are increasingly used in design optimisation – once a model is validated against experimental data, it can be used to optimise a physical system more effectively than modifying/re-testing a succession of prototypes.</p> | | |
| <i>Aims</i> | | |
| <p>This course aims to give students an understanding of the principles, capabilities and limitations of CFD, and enable them to model simple fluid systems involving mass, momentum and energy transfer.</p> | | |
| <i>Learning Outcomes</i> | | |
| <p>On completing this course and the associated assessed assignment, students should be able use ANSYS CFX, a leading commercial CFD software suite, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generate a 3D CAD representation of a simple fluid system involving solid boundaries • Create a suitable 3D mesh, for use in the subsequent finite volume analysis • Identify and define physical properties and boundary conditions that are required to model the system • Configure an FEA solver to achieve efficient convergence of the predicted solution • Assess the predictions of a model, with regard to mesh independence and accuracy • Use a CFD model to investigate the optimum design of a physical system. | | |
| <i>Assumed Knowledge</i> | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Basic principles of fluid mechanics | CET I - Fluid mechanics | |
| Basic principles of heat and mass transfer | CET IIA - Heat & mass transfer fundamentals | |
| Numerical methods | CET I - Engineering mathematics | |
| | CET IIA - Partial differential equations | |
| <i>Connections To Other Units</i> | | |
| <p>The course builds on material learnt in previous years. It is possible that the techniques learned in this course may be of use in some IIB research projects.</p> | | |
| <i>Self Assessment</i> | | |
| <p>Structured problems will be issued throughout the first half the course; these can be attempted by students and then discussed in the weekly tutorial sessions. Additional tutorial material is available via the ANSYS student portal.</p> | | |
| <i>Assessment</i> | | |
| <p>An individual assignment will be issued at the end of the third week of the course. Students will be required to submit a report detailing their modelling work and the conclusions drawn from it.</p> | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
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| Unit CFD | | Staff Dr M.E. Williamson | |
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| Synopsis | | | |
| The course includes eight lectures and six 2-hour tutorial sessions, as detailed below. Tutorial sessions will be held in the computer suite where students can attempt the example problems using ANSYS CFX software. | | | |
| Wk | Lecture topic | Tutorials | Assessed assignment |
| 1 | #1 Introduction to computational fluid dynamics | File management using ANSYS Workbench. | |
| | #2 The equations of fluid flow – a review | Creating a 3D CAD model using ANSYS Design modeler (based on example of a fluid mixing system) | |
| 2 | #3 Numerical solution to the equations of fluid flow | 3D modeling (cont.) Meshing | |
| | #4 Meshing techniques | | |
| 3 | #5 Definition of boundary conditions | Meshing. | |
| | # 6 Definition of physical properties | Overview of the assessed assignment. | Generate 3D geometry |
| 4 | #7 Solver control | Solver Configuration | |
| | #8 Post-processing and data analysis | | Meshing, physics definition, solver configuration |
| 5 | - | Post-processing | Simulations, evaluation of accuracy and mesh independence |
| 6 | - | General assistance | Design optimisation |
| 7 | - | | Report preparation |
| 8 | - | | Report preparation |
| Students are expected to allocate approximately 20 hours to the assessed assignment. | | | |
| Teaching materials | | | |
| The recommended textbook is: J.D. Anderson, “Computational Fluid Dynamics – The Basics with Applications”, McGraw-Hill 1995. ANSYS Inc, CFX 15.0 User guides, ANSYS 2013 (available on Moodle). | | | |

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| Unit | | |
| Fluid Mechanics and the Environment | | |
| Level | Term | Duration |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 16 lectures |
| Background | | |
| <p>Fluid mechanics is central to chemical engineering. Chemical engineers are concerned with flows in industrial processes and also in the natural environment. Examples of the latter include the discharge of gaseous effluents from chimneys, the accidental release of chemicals into the ocean or atmosphere, the motion of pollutants in soil and the flow of stored carbon dioxide in porous rocks. As fluids flow in the environment, their physical properties are altered, they are mixed or separated, and they take part in chemical reactions. Both natural and human-induced flows have a large impact on the Earth. In this course, we introduce the fundamentals needed to describe and quantify such flows.</p> | | |
| Aims | | |
| <p>The aim is to cover the fundamental fluid mechanics principles to enable the solution of laminar and turbulent environmental flows.</p> | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| <p>On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ analyse and solve problems concerning inert and reactive flows arising from localized, instantaneous discharges in the ocean and atmosphere ▪ analyse and solve problems concerning the inert and reactive transport of chemicals in porous media | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Basic fluid mechanics | CET I Fluid Mechanics | |
| Navier-Stokes equation | CET IIA Fluid Mechanics | |
| ODEs and PDEs | CET I Mathematics, CET IIA Mathematics | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| <p>This unit builds on previous fluid mechanics options. It may complement other CET IIB options.</p> | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| <p>Two examples sheets will be issued during lectures. The following examination papers indicate the level of achievement expected: CET IIB: 2017 Paper B6; 2015 Paper B4 ; 2014 Paper B5; 2013 Paper B5; 2012 Paper B4; 2011 Paper B4</p> | | |
| Assessment | | |
| <p>The material from this unit is assessed by written examination.</p> | | |
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| Unit Fluid Mechanics and the Environment | Staff Prof. S.S.S. Cardoso |
| Synopsis | |
| <p>This course is divided into two parts, on turbulent flows in the atmosphere and oceans, and laminar flows in porous rocks.</p> | |
| <p>1 Turbulent flows in the atmosphere and oceans</p> | |
| <p>2.1 <i>Inert and reactive plumes</i> Turbulent plumes; dimensional analysis. Equations of motion; entrainment; Gaussian profiles. Density stratification. Multiphase plumes. Effects of chemical reaction and dissolution. BP oil plume in the Gulf of Mexico 2010.</p> | |
| <p>2.2 <i>Jets</i> Forced plumes and buoyant jets. Characteristic length-scales. Entrainment and rate of spreading.</p> | |
| <p>2.3 <i>Plumes and jets in nature and industry</i> Various examples of real flows. Solved example problems.</p> | |
| <p>2.4 <i>Inert and reactive thermals</i> Turbulent thermals; dimensional analysis. Equations of motion; entrainment. Effects of chemical reaction. Fukushima nuclear cloud 2010.</p> | |
| <p>2 Laminar flows in porous rocks</p> | |
| <p>2.1 <i>Inert and reactive flows in porous media</i> Darcy's equation. Conservation of mass, chemical species and energy. Examples of inert flows in the Earth's sub-surface in 1-D, 2-D and 3-D geometries; Bessel functions.</p> | |
| <p>2.2 <i>Buoyant convection in a layer of fluid</i> Linear Stability Analysis. Base state. Perturbations. The Rayleigh number. Minimum critical Rayleigh number for the onset of convection. Climate change. Carbon dioxide sequestration in saline aquifers. Effects of geochemical reactions.</p> | |
| <p>2.3 <i>Buoyant plumes in fluid-saturated porous media</i> Boundary-layer approximations of the governing equations. Velocity and temperature distributions in 2-D and 3-D plumes. Radius of the plume. Flow under the seafloor: continental margin- and seep-plumes driven by thermal and solutal density differences.</p> | |
| <p>2.4 <i>Osmotic and buoyant flow</i> Osmosis in a porous medium. Solute size-restriction and other mechanisms. Kedem-Katchalsky equations. Derivation from kinetic theory, fluid mechanics and thermodynamics. Flow near submarine mud-volcanoes: implications for methane-hydrate melting and climate change.</p> | |
| Teaching Materials | |
| <p>Recommended books</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ D.J. Tritton "Physical Fluid Dynamics", Oxford University Press, 2nd Edition 1988. ▪ J.S. Turner, "Buoyancy Effects in Fluids", Cambridge University Press, 1973. ▪ P.F. Linden, "Convection in the environment". In <i>Perspectives in Fluid Dynamics</i> (ed. G.K. Batchelor, H.K. Moffat & M.G. Worster), Cambridge University Press, 2000. ▪ D.L. Turcotte and G. Schubert "Geodynamics", Cambridge University Press, 2nd Edition 2002. | |

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| <i>Unit</i> | | |
| Interface Engineering | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 16 lectures |
| Background | | |
| <p>Interfaces exist everywhere in nature. Interfaces between solid, liquid and vapour phases have always been important in chemical engineering as chemical engineers have always worked with multi-phase systems. Interfaces are becoming increasingly important as more materials are manufactured with smaller scale features and in smaller devices. An understanding of interfacial phenomena means that surfaces can be designed to promote desired behaviour.</p> | | |
| Aims | | |
| <p>The aim of this module is to explain the principles involved with interfaces between two fluids, and between two fluids and a solid. The approach will be quantitative, in 1-D where possible, so that students can construct simple models of surface-tension driven phenomena. The focus will be on continuum phenomena. The relationship to nanoscience will be flagged.</p> | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| <p>This course was introduced in 2016-17 so the specific learning outcomes may change slightly.</p> <p>On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to tackle problems involving</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ surface tension, surface energy, contact angle and spreading ▪ fluid statics, including the shape of interfaces and buoyancy/surface tension effects ▪ simple fluid flows with surface tension boundary conditions ▪ disturbances leading to instabilities (though not perturbation analysis) ▪ the effect of surface structure and composition ▪ surfactants | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Fluid mechanics | CET I and CET IIA | |
| Thermodynamics | CET I and CET IIA | |
| Equation solving, ODEs, integral calculus, 1 and 2D coordinates | Part IA | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| <p>Surface tension is mentioned in CET I Heat and Mass Transfer and CET IIA Reactors. The material covered in these lectures may complement other CET IIB modules.</p> | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| <p>Three problem sheets will be provided with introductory problems as well as problems approaching Tripos level. Solutions to the problem sheets are provided on Moodle.</p> <p>Past examination paper: CET IIB: 2017 Paper B7</p> | | |
| Assessment | | |
| <p>The material from this unit is assessed by written examination (75%) and a coursework task (25%). The submission date for the latter will be the first day of Lent Full Term.</p> | | |
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| Unit Interface Engineering | Staff Prof. D.I. Wilson |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Introduction and basic concepts <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.1 Surface tension, surface energy and simple fluids 1.2 Wetting, contact lines and contact angles 1.3 Spreading 2 Surface tension in fluid mechanics <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1 Governing equations for flow 2.2 Stress balance equations 2.3 Governing equations in dimensionless form 2.4 Curvature, κ 3 Static or quasi-static fluid applications <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1 Simple menisci <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.1.1 Capillaries 3.1.2 Kelvin equation 3.2 Wetting of walls <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.2.1 The long wall 3.2.2 The Wilhelmy plate 3.2.3 Partially immersed bodies 3.2.4 Froth flotation 3.2.5 Pilkington float glass process 3.3 Liquid bridges and cohesion <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3.3.1 Simple analysis of liquid bridges between particles 3.3.2 Real liquid bridges 3.3.3 Viscous forces in liquid bridges 3.3.4 The science of sandcastles 4. Surface tension in flow <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4.1 Rise in a capillary – the Washburn equation 4.2 The water bell 4.3 Droplet spreading 4.4 Jet breakup <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4.4.1 Cylindrical jet behaviour 4.4.2 Region II: the Plateau-Rayleigh instability 4.4.3 Rayleigh instability: formal treatment 5. Surfaces, surfactants and surface energies <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5.1 Thermodynamic origin of ELV 5.2 Surface energies of solids 5.3 Surface morphology <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5.3.1 Rough surfaces – the Wenzl model 5.3.3 Contact line hysteresis and pinning 5.4. Surfactants <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5.4.1 Soluble surfactants: the Gibbs adsorption isotherm 5.4.2 Insoluble surfactants 5.5 Marangoni forces and flows <p>Links to the questions on the examples papers will be provided in lectures.</p> | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>Lecture notes are provided as a series of booklets and will be available on Moodle. Annotated notes and presentation materials are not provided: students need to come to the lectures.</p> <p>There is no set text for this module: books with relevant sections will be mentioned. Papers from journals will be referred to and copies will be put on Moodle if copyright allows.</p> | |

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| Unit | | |
| Optical Microscopy | | |
| Level CET IIB | Term LT 2018 | Duration 16 lectures |
| Background | | |
| <p>The observation of microscopic processes is key to a huge number of scientific and industrial applications. Optical microscopy is one of the most widely used analytical techniques, used for material characterisation, quality control, chemical composition analysis, process analytics, DNA sequencing, observation of biomedical processes, etc.</p> | | |
| Aims | | |
| <p>The aim of this unit is to develop an understanding of the principles underlying state-of-the-art optical measurement techniques used for microscopy and to describe several key technologies and applications that are used in industry and research.</p> | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| <p>On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand fundamental principles of image formation in different modes of light microscopy. • understand the physical concepts that affect image resolution and contrast. • design conceptually advanced microscopy instrumentation that achieves the required sensitivity and resolution for a given application. • analyse image data correctly and quantitatively in the presence of noise. • understand the underlying technology of advanced microscope instrumentation. • provide real world examples of modern microscopy technologies used in research and industry. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Basic mathematics | Part IA, CET I | |
| Basic spectroscopy | Part IA Chemistry or CET I Analytical Chemistry | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| <p>Two problem sheets will be issued during the course. This course was first introduced in 2014-15. Past examination papers: CET IIB 2016-17 Paper C1 ; 2015 Paper B5. Some examination questions on a related former course are useful: CET IIB: 2013 Paper B6 Q2(a) and (b); 2008 Paper B7 Q1(a); 2006 Paper B6 Q3</p> | | |
| Assessment | | |
| The material from this module will be assessed by written examination. | | |
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| Unit Optical Microscopy | Staff Prof. C.F. Kaminski |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p><i>Fundamental Background</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brief history of the microscope • Concepts of image formation • Mathematical background: the Fourier transform (and its importance for image formation and resolution) • The problem of optical diffraction and its effect on image resolution: Point spread and optical transfer functions • Microscope resolution, contrast and sensitivity • Interrogating molecules: light absorption, emission, and scattering • The technology: lasers, lenses, cameras, and all that <p><i>Basic Microscopy techniques</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brightfield microscopy • Fluorescence microscopy: Obtaining chemical specificity • Coherent and incoherent imaging • Improving image contrast: Confocal microscopy <p><i>Sample preparation techniques</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Synthetic fluorophores • Fluorescent proteins, antibodies, and labelling of biological samples. <p><i>Advanced Techniques</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imaging the molecular environment: Fluorescence lifetime microscopy and polarisation resolved imaging. • Detecting single molecules • Optical super-resolution techniques: resolving objects smaller than the wavelength of light <p><i>Image processing techniques</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deconvolution of image noise • Contrast enhancement techniques • Object identification and tracking <p><i>Applications</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microscopy for chemical detection and process control • Gene sequencing • Imaging in living systems and uncovering molecular mechanisms of disease • Imaging whole organisms | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>No book covers the course material exactly; most books are either too basic or too advanced for the purpose of this course. However the following are outstanding web resources that illustrate aspects of the course. They contain interactive Java tutorials which allow you to see different modes of imaging and to explore physical concepts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <i>optical microscopy primer</i> website: http://micro.magnet.fsu.edu/primer/index.html • The <i>microscopyu</i> website: http://www.microscopyu.com/ | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Optimisation | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | MT 2017 | 16 lectures |
| Background Optimisation is an important mathematical tool in chemical engineering. Developing efficient methods for finding the optimum of an objective function that may be linear or non-linear in nature remains an active research area. Applications in industrial practice are numerous as well as in a number of scientific, financial and interdisciplinary important domains. | | |
| Aims This course gives students an advanced view of optimisation and its applications. In the first half of the course, the emphasis is on the establishment of the theoretical concepts underpinning optimisation models and their connection to numerical solution techniques. The second half of the course presents the application of the theory in specific areas of practical interest, such as optimal control in chemical process models, parameter estimation and model fitting, and other applications. | | |
| Learning Outcomes After completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ formulate and solve linear and non-linear optimisation models, specifically: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. solve linear programming problems by the Simplex method 2. solve equality-constrained non-linear programming problems by the Lagrange multiplier method 3. solve inequality-constrained optimisation problems via modification of the Lagrange multiplier method ▪ learn the basic operation of modern non-linear numerical solution algorithms, such as interior point methods ▪ understand how the issue of model non-convexity limits obtaining globally optimal solutions for non-linear models, and how this impacts optimisation-based decision-making ▪ transcribe the description of engineering problems, e.g. in the form of process briefs and numerical data, into mathematical programming models and optimise them, with particular emphasis on linear programming models ▪ formulate and solve linear parameter estimation problems as optimisation models which is important in fitting models to experimental and measurement data ▪ formulate and solve allocation type problems and material flow problems through connectivity networks (e.g. flow through a pipeline network) ▪ formulate problems involving ODEs as model constraints (optimal control problems) into standard optimisation models ▪ use sensitivity analysis as a post-optimality tool to assess which operating conditions and parameters have most impact on the solutions obtained for any type of optimisation problem. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Numerical methods | CET I Engineering Maths | |
| Material balances | CET I Process Calculations | |
| Process economics | CET I Introductory Chemical Engineering | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| This unit uses many of the basic chemical engineering building blocks from earlier years. It is independent of other CET IIB units. | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| Problem sheets will be issued during lectures. Students should feel not only that they have learnt new material in the course but that they have gained by looking at familiar material from a different perspective. The following are past examination papers: CET IIB 2016-17 Paper C2 ; 2015 Paper B6 ; 2013 Paper B7 ; 2011-2012 Paper B6 ; 2010 Paper B7 | | |
| Assessment | | |
| The material from this module will be assessed by written examination. | | |
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| Unit Optimisation | Staff Dr V.S. Vassiliadis |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General background on advanced optimisation theory 2. Linear and non-linear models 3. The Simplex method for Linear Programming 4. Interior point methods for the solution of constrained optimisation problems 5. Global optimisation aspects 6. Applications: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Multiperiod models b. Optimal control c. Routing problems and formulations d. Parameter estimation problems e. Network optimisation problems (minimum path, network flow problems) f. Resource allocation problems | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.A. Taha, “Operations Research: an introduction”, Pearson, 9th ed. 2010. • T.F. Edgar and D.M. Himmelblau, “Optimization of Chemical Processes”, McGraw-Hill, 2nd ed. 2001. • D.G. Luenberger and Y. Ye, “Linear and Nonlinear Programming”, Springer, 3rd ed. 2008. • C.A. Floudas, “Nonlinear and Mixed-Integer Optimization: fundamentals and applications”, Oxford University Press, 1995. | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Healthcare Biotechnology | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> |
| CET IIB | LT 2018 | 14 lectures + 2 workshops |
| Background | | |
| Healthcare is the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disease, illness, injury, and other physical and mental impairments in humans. It is regarded as an important determinant in promoting the general health and well-being of the world's population and can form a significant part of a country's economy, with costs in the range 10-16% of GDP in OECD countries. Healthcare accounts for ~65% of current R&D spending in biotechnology. | | |
| Aims | | |
| This course aims to lay a foundation in the prevalence, pathologies, diagnosis and treatment of the major diseases afflicting humans in the 21 st century. The course will cover the challenges encountered in drug discovery and development, drug delivery, regulation and the newer approaches involving gene, protein, cell-based and bionic therapies. Key developments for the future, including stratified and personalised medicine and E- and m-medicine will also be discussed. | | |
| Learning Outcomes | | |
| On completion of this course and associated problem sheets, students should be able to: | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate an understanding of the major healthcare challenges in the 21st century and their impact on society. • Understand the threat of newly emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases on established and emerging economies. • Show an ability to evaluate healthcare drivers, threads and applications. Students should be able to calculate disease incidence and prevalence and acquire knowledge on fundamental health economics. • Appreciate the value of biomarker discovery in diagnostic, prognostic and personalized medicine. Students should be able to suggest appropriate biomarker strategies for healthcare applications such as diagnosis and drug discovery; students should be able to calculate sensitivity and specificity of a test or intervention. • Demonstrate an understanding of the drug discovery stages and clinical trial phases within the pharmaceutical industry; students should be able to evaluate clinical trial designs and comment on the advantages and limitations of a given design. • Define the potential and current limitations in regenerative and bionic medicines • Appreciate E- and m-healthcare applications and their potential impact on society in terms of Big Data applications for healthcare provision. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| This course will assume some basic biology gained in CET I Biotechnology and CET IIA Bioprocessing. | | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| This course is independent of other units. | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| Students will be able to assess their progress through interaction with staff giving the course and through feedback gained from presenting their analyses to the class and through workshops. | | |
| Assessment | | |
| This course is assessed entirely by coursework (group oral presentations and individual written reports). The report will be an extended piece of work on some relevant aspect of healthcare biotechnology. Students will be expected to synthesise knowledge from across the course. | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> | <i>Approved</i> | <i>Subject Grouping</i> |
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| Unit Healthcare Biotech | Staff Prof. S. Bahn |
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| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Healthcare challenges in the 21st century 2. Introduction to healthcare biotechnology 3. Newly emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases 4. Neurodegenerative and neuropsychiatric diseases 5. Biomarker technologies for increasing our understanding of major diseases and their clinical application 6. Drug discovery and pharma industry 7. Proteomics application for biomarker research 8. Epidemiology and biostatistics 9. Clinical trial design and evaluation 10. The relevance of healthcare biotechnology for chemical engineering 11. Workshop 1: Group work; Biomarker applications for personalized medicine approaches; ~3 hours presentations 12. Biopharmaceuticals and cytotherapies 13. Sensors, diagnostics and devices: E- and m-Medicine 14. Bionic and augmentative devices 15. Workshop 2: Group work; sensors, diagnostics and clinical devices; ~2 hours presentation |
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| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>Lecture notes and reference lists will be provided and posted on Moodle.</p> |
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| Unit | | |
| Entrepreneurship | | |
| Level CET IIB | Term LT 2018 | Duration 12 lectures + assessments |
| Background Entrepreneurship is an approach to management that emphasises the pursuit of opportunity regardless of resources currently controlled. Whether you plan to start a new venture at some point in the future or to pursue a scientific career, the ability to display entrepreneurial behaviour has never been more important. | | |
| Aims The aim of this course is to provide students with an introduction to the theory and practice of entrepreneurship and new venture creation. The course assumes no prior knowledge of the subject and will equip students with much of the knowledge required to launch and manage a high potential new venture. | | |
| Learning Outcomes On completing this course students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understand the role of entrepreneurs in taking new scientific and technological developments to market • assess the viability and feasibility a new business idea • understand how to raise financial capital • write a business plan and present it to a potential investor | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| No prior knowledge is assumed. | | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| Self Assessment Feedback on the continually assessed modules will be provided as the course proceeds. | | |
| Assessment The material from this unit is assessed by coursework consisting of individual memos, a group presentation, and a group report. | | |
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| Unit Entrepreneurship | Staff Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning (Judge Business School) |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>This information is subject to change.</p> <p>Lectures are expected to be given on Monday and Thursday afternoons at 4 pm.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction 2. Applying creativity in commercialisation - 1 3. Due diligence in technology 4. Stepping stones for commercialisation 5. Intellectual property 6. Applying creativity in commercialisation – 2 7. Market and industry assessment 8. Routes to market 9. Start-up process 10. Raising money 11. Forming and working as a team 12. How to make an effective presentation | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>Students are provided with a comprehensive course manual which provides much of the background material required for the assessment. Students wishing to gain further insights into the field should read the following texts, both of which are excellent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ J.A. Timmons and S. Spinelli Jr., “New Venture Creation: entrepreneurship for the 21st century”, McGraw-Hill, 8th ed. 2008. ▪ Jack Lang and the Cambridge University Entrepreneurship Centre, “The High-Tech Entrepreneur’s Handbook”, Pearson Education, 2001. | |

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| Unit | | |
| Foreign Language | | |
| Level CET IIB | Term MT 2017 / LT 2018 | Duration 15 × 2 hour sessions |
| Background Knowledge of a foreign language can be very useful for chemical engineers. The Language Unit within the Engineering Department offers courses in French, German, Spanish, Chinese and Japanese at beginner level, intermediate level and advanced level. | | |
| Aims The programme prepares students to be able to operate in the foreign language chosen at home and abroad, and to be aware of the cultural aspects of the language. The programme encourages students to take responsibility for their own learning. The courses are aimed specifically at engineering students and may include some technical content. | | |
| Learning Outcomes The specific outcomes vary according to the level. | | |
| Assumed Knowledge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginner level: none. • Intermediate level: roughly the equivalent of GCSE. There are three stages within this level according to proficiency. • Advanced level: roughly the equivalent of AS and A level. There are two stages within this level according to proficiency. | | |
| Connections To Other Units None. | | |
| Self Assessment Students will be able to assess their progress by accessing old exam papers on the Language Unit's website and attempting the questions. They will also be able to practise and improve their language skills by using the Language Unit's teaching resources (CDs, DVDs, satellite TV, magazines etc.). | | |
| Assessment Six elements are assessed, either continuously or in tests at the end of MT and/or LT. The elements are listening, oral, reading, writing, presentation, and coursework. Further details are on the Language Unit's website. | | |
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| Unit Languages | Staff D. Tual (Dept of Engineering Language Unit) |
| Synopsis The following languages are available at Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels of study: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• French• German• Spanish• Chinese• Japanese Further information can be found on the Language Unit website at: http://www.eng.cam.ac.uk/teaching/language/content/ Chemical engineers are only permitted to choose one language (at one level). | |
| Teaching Materials A list of useful books and other resources will be provided. | |

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| Unit | | |
| Biosensors | | |
| Level CET IIB | Term LT 2018 | Duration 14 lectures + lab |
| Background The teaching of this unit is shared between the Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology (CEB) and the Department of Engineering (CUED). The course covers the principles, technologies, methods and applications of biosensors and bioinstrumentation. | | |
| Aims The objective of this course is to link engineering principles to understand biosystems in sensors and bioelectronics. It will provide details of methods and procedures used in the design, fabrication and application of biosensors and bioelectronic devices. | | |
| Learning Outcomes On completing this course students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ extend principles of engineering to the development of bioanalytical devices and the design of biosensors ▪ understand the principles of linking cell components and biological pathways with energy transduction, sensing and detection ▪ appreciate the basic configuration and distinction among biosensor systems ▪ demonstrate appreciation for the technical limits of performance ▪ make design and selection decisions in response to measurement problems amenable to the use of biosensors | | |
| Assumed Knowledge <i>Material</i> <i>Source</i> No previous knowledge of biosensors is required. | | |
| Connections To Other Units | | |
| Self Assessment | | |
| Assessment The material from this unit is assessed by coursework. There will be two marked assignments. The first will involve a laboratory session illustrating the functional demonstration of glucose sensor technology. The second assignment will involve a team-based design exercise. This design exercise will involve teams of students engaged in designing a real-world biosensor. | | |
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| Unit Biosensors | Staff Profs A.A. Seshia (Engineering) and E.A.H. Hall (CEB) |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>1. Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of biosensors • Fundamental elements of biosensor devices • Engineering sensor proteins <p>2. Electrochemical Biosensors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrochemical principles • Amperometric biosensors and charge transfer pathways in enzymes • Glucose biosensors • Engineering electrochemical biosensors <p>3. Optical biosensors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Optics for biosensors • Attenuated total reflection systems <p>4. Mass and acoustic biosensors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saubrey formulation • Acoustic sensor formats • Quartz crystal microbalance <p>5. Lab-on-chip technologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microfluidic interfaces for biosensors • DNA and protein microarrays • Microfabricated PCR technology <p>6. Diagnostics for the real world</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication and tracking in health monitoring • Detection in resource limited settings | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>References will be supplied in lectures.</p> | |

| <i>Unit</i> | | |
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| Bionanotechnology | | |
| <i>Level</i> CET IIB | <i>Term</i> LT 2018 | <i>Duration</i> 16 lectures |
| Background Bionanotechnology combines the principles of nano-engineering and bioscience to develop novel methodologies for design of functional materials and devices. These might include water repellent materials for the automotive industry, materials for energy harvesting or tissue engineering, a variety of diagnostic and electronic devices, all aimed at addressing key environmental and medicinal challenges. One of the key roles of a chemical engineer is to bring creative, sustainable and economically viable concepts from theory to practice and this can often be done only by thinking out of box and taking inspiration from various disciplines. Bionanotechnology is a real exercise in interdisciplinarity. | | |
| Aims This course aims to cover fundamental principles of nano-engineering such as nanomaterials preparation, structuring and characterization methodologies and show how these can be used in synergy with fundamental biotechnological/biochemical concepts to join biointerfaces with engineered components. | | |
| Learning Outcomes This course was introduced in 2016-17 so the specific learning outcomes may still change slightly. On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Understand the chemical basis of nanomaterial preparation ▪ Identify the right method of nanomaterial characterization ▪ Describe the key differences between the macro- and the nano- world ▪ Describe chemical strategies to conjugate biomolecules with various surfaces ▪ Identify key challenges in hybrid materials design ▪ Understand how biomolecules can be used for material design ▪ Understand the role of DNA beyond its application in genetics ▪ Describe the engineering principles behind biological motors ▪ Think of new classes of bio-inspired catalyst to be used in industrial processes ▪ Understand the definition and principles of nanomedicine ▪ Understand the basic principles of biosensor design ▪ Identify key issues in potential scale up of biotechnological concepts ▪ Think along interdisciplinary lines connecting apparently different concepts together | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Synthetic and physical chemistry ▪ Basic biology/biochemistry ▪ Basics of material science | IA Chemistry or CET I Chemistry CET I Biotechnology IA Engineering or CET I Materials | |
| Connections To Other Units The material in this course builds on fundamental science learnt in earlier years. It may complement other CET IIB options. | | |
| Self Assessment Two problem sheets will be issued during lectures. Past examination paper: CET IIB 2017, Paper C7 | | |
| Assessment The material from this unit is assessed by a combination of written examination (75%) and coursework (25%). | | |
| Prepared LF 10/8/2017 | Approved PJB | Subject Grouping Group C: Broadening Topics |

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| Unit Bionanotechnology | Staff Dr L. Fruk |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Introduction to Bionanotechnology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Definition, examples and main concepts • Introduction to different classes of nanomaterials and their properties • Key challenges in bionanotechnology: self assembly, bioconjugations • Application examples 2) Nanoparticles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Synthetic methods, surface stabilisation, ligand exchange • Strategies for surface modification, ligand exchange • Bioconjugation strategies, bio-nano hybrid design • Self assembly 3) DNA Nanotechnology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural properties of DNA, principles of assembly • DNA origami • Applications in molecular sensing and drug delivery • DNA templated opto-electronics 4) Protein Based (Nano)structures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fusion proteins, protein tags, protein modification strategies • Artificial ion channels, nanopores • Protein templates for nanomaterial preparation • Proteins in material science • Bioinspired motors and controlled molecular transport 5) Analytical and Structuring Methods in Bionanotechnology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microscopy (TEM, AFM, overview of fluorescence microscopy) • Spectroscopy (fluorescence, surface enhanced Raman, IR) • Quartz balance, electrochemistry, mass spectroscopy • Lithography, direct laser writing 6) Biosensors, Therapeutics, Nanomedicine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug delivery principles and challenges • Contrast agents • Bioelectronics | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>The recommended textbooks are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ C. M. Niemeyer and C. A. Mirkin: “Nanobiotechnology: Concepts, Applications and Perspectives, Vols I and II”, Wiley 2004-2007. ▪ Y. Xie, “The Nanobiotechnology Handbook”, CRC Press, 2013 ▪ G. Cao and Y. Wang, “Nanostructures and Nanomaterials”, World Scientific, 2nd ed. 2011. | |

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| <i>Unit</i> | | |
| Biophysics | | |
| <i>Level</i> CET IIB | <i>Term</i> LT 2018 | <i>Duration</i> 16 lectures |
| Background Modelling biological systems is essential for applications of engineering and bioscience to develop products from biological cells and systems. The future Healthcare, Food and Energy sectors will rely heavily on these skills, and thus the course will be invaluable for future Chemical Engineers. | | |
| Aims To understand how to model biological systems and make them amenable for quantitative exploitation. | | |
| Learning Outcomes On completing this course and the associated problem sheets, students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • appreciate various biological processes at a molecular, cellular and tissue level • have an overview of quantitative biology • apply various modelling approaches, including the basics of numerical methods in biological physics • apply basic concepts involving thermal and statistical physics in living systems • understand the basic concepts of biomolecules as two state systems, e.g. on/off states • understand the principle behind various biophysical techniques such as atomic force microscopy, NMR, optical tweezers etc. • understand the basic principles behind various optical techniques, such as super-resolution, Foerster resonance transfer, etc. certain microscopy techniques • understand the principles behind DNA origami and nanofabrication | | |
| Assumed Knowledge | | |
| <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> | |
| Biological concepts | CET I Biotechnology | |
| Connections To Other Units The material in this unit may complement other CET IIB options. | | |
| Self Assessment Two examples sheets will be issued during lectures. Past examination paper: CET IIB 2017 Paper B8. | | |
| Assessment The material from this unit is assessed by written examination ; | | |
| <i>Prepared</i> GSK 1/9/2017 | <i>Approved</i> PJB | <i>Subject Grouping</i> Group C: Broadening Topics |

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| Unit Biophysics | Staff Dr G.S. Kaminski-Schierle |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction 2. Quantitative Biology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstration on how diverse aspects of living systems are underpinned by the physics of complex systems. • Modelling based on physical principles to complement experimental investigations. • Overview of quantitative cell biology including primer lectures on cell biology for chemical engineers. 3. Energy balance of Living Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examination of life from a biophysicist's perspective and application of some thermal and statistical models for living systems with examples ranging from motor proteins to cooperative binding. • Impact of energy balance on protein folding/misfolding, on determining the structure function relationship of proteins, on molecular motors, etc. 4. Biophysical Techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to various biophysical techniques such as atomic force microscopy, NMR, transmission electron microscopy, mass spectroscopy, etc. • Specific applications of the various techniques in living systems will be discussed. 5. Optical Techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A brief introduction to various optical techniques (super-resolution microscopy, optical tweezer, Foerster resonance energy transfer etc.) will be given and their application in living systems will be discussed 6. DNA origami and nanofabrication <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How biological systems can be exploited to produce nanostructures, such as DNA origami and how nanofabrication, such as lab-on-chips can be exploited to study living organisms in a fully controlled environment. | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> <p>The recommended textbook is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R. Phillips, J. Kondev, J. Theriot and H.G. Garcia, "Physical Biology of the Cell", Garland Science, 2nd ed. 2013. <p>A suitable reference textbook on cell biology is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ B. Alberts <i>et al.</i>, "Molecular Biology of the Cell", Garland Science, 6th ed. 2014. | |

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| Research Project | | | | |
| <i>Level</i> | <i>Term</i> | <i>Duration</i> | | |
| CET IIB | MT ; LT; start of ET | MT to week 3 of ET | | |
| <p>Background Chemical engineers are often involved with research. Fundamental research includes understanding scientific principles, developing new experimental methods, and developing new computational methods. Applied research includes developing an innovative process, measuring parameters or modelling an existing process with a view to improving it, and developing a new product.</p> | | | | |
| <p>Aims The aim is for students to develop research skills and experience the trials, tribulations and satisfactions of original research. This helps qualify students, in part, to undertake, commission or supervise such work.</p> | | | | |
| <p>Learning Outcomes The learning outcomes will vary from project to project. For most projects, students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • assess the risks associated with the research • perform work safely and complete relevant safety documentation • extract relevant information from the scientific literature • design experiments and/or write computer programs • perform experimental work and/or perform computational simulations • analyse experimental data and/or modelling results • work as part of a team • present work by oral presentation and poster • write a dissertation on the project | | | | |
| <p>Assumed Knowledge</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"><i>Material</i></td> <td style="width: 50%; border: none;"><i>Source</i></td> </tr> </table> <p>This will vary from project to project.</p> | | | <i>Material</i> | <i>Source</i> |
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| <p>Connections To Other Units Students are recommended to attend any CET IIB modules that are directly related to their research project. Some research projects will have no direct connection to units within the Chemical Engineering Tripos.</p> | | | | |
| <p>Self Assessment Students have weekly meetings with their supervisor to discuss progress.</p> | | | | |
| <p>Assessment The material from this unit is assessed principally by written dissertation, with a small mark contribution from oral presentation and poster.</p> | | | | |
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| Unit Research Project | Staff Dr A.J. Sederman (coordinator) |
| <p>Synopsis</p> <p>Each student undertakes a major project, usually in collaboration with another student, supervised by a member of academic staff. Students should meet with their academic supervisor weekly to discuss progress and future work. The supervisor may allocate one or more mentors, such as PhD students or post-doctoral workers, to assist with the day-to-day running of the project.</p> <p>All students undertake a safety training course at the start of Michaelmas Term.</p> <p>Students are expected to spend 10 hours per week in Michaelmas Term and Lent Term on the research project. Students may choose to work more hours on the project than this minimum, but should be aware that they need to strike a balance between work on the research project and on other elements of the course. Members of academic staff have been informed of this fact.</p> <p>Students are expected to perform additional work over the vacations (e.g. data analysis, report writing), but are not normally expected to perform laboratory work during the vacation.</p> <p>Students give a 6-minute oral presentation and a poster presentation on their project towards the end of Lent term.</p> <p>Students submit a dissertation (maximum length of 40 pages) on their project in Easter term. The dissertations are marked independently by two Examiners.</p> | |
| <p>Teaching Materials</p> | |



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