

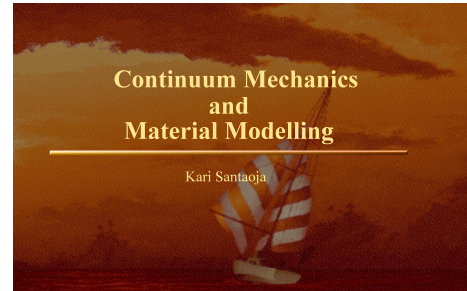
Continuum Mechanics and Material Modelling 2022

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Reason for remote teaching

The present document gives the explanation why we teach this course remotely although teaching was officially planned to be held at the university.

A month ago I was in a medical survey where I was found to have cancer. This means that in the beginning of the year 2022 I will have cytostatic therapy. It is done by giving strong drugs several times every second week depending on the type of the cancer. Due to the strong drugs, the treatment is very hard for the patient and I may be incapable to have two times 45 minutes lectures in the lecture room in front of you.



Before my cancer was discovered, the course assistant Nazanin Pournoori and me planned to have two weekly calculation hours. I was planned to have one on Fridays at the university and she on the following Tuesdays remotely, since she is living in Tampere. This does not happen, since I have cancer. Officially one weekly calculation hour is enough. Nazanin will have her calculation hours remotely on Fridays.

This arrangement may cause problems for some of you. If the other lectures will be held at the university, some students cannot follow my remote lectures. To reduce the amount of harm I will cause for some of you, I will prepare Panopto videos of my lectures and upload them to the MyCourses environment. Then you can "join the lecture" when it is best for you.

The number of the Covid-19 patients in Finland is growing aggressively. Thus, it is fully possible that the Finnish government will set some limitations to the amount of people being in the same space. Then almost all the courses will be held remotely and this course is not an exception.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kari Santaoja". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kari Santaoja