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Preface

This report gives a short overview of the structure and activities at the department of Mechanics, KTH during the year of 2008. More information may be found at the department web site <http://www.mech.kth.se>.

The teaching activity of the department during 2008 included basic, intermediate, advanced-level as well as graduate courses in mechanics, fluid mechanics and structural mechanics given for students and programmes at almost all schools at KTH.

The scientific activity of the department resulted in the defences of five doctoral theses and presentations of five licentiate theses during 2008. The publication list for the department this year consists of 51 publications in archival journals, 34 publications in conference proceedings and 13 internal reports, for a total of 98 publications.

Stockholm in May 2009

Dan Henningson, department chairman

Anders Eriksson, department vice chairman

1 Introduction

The department of Mechanics is one of the seven departments within the School of Engineering Sciences at KTH. The Department had 97 employees and a turnaround of about 65 MSEK during the year 2008.

Prof. Dan Henningson is the chairman of the department, with Docent Nicholas Apazidis as the vice chairman for the first half of the year; during the second half, Prof. Anders Eriksson took the latter role. Docent Hanno Essén is the director of undergraduate studies in mechanics and Docent Erik Lindborg has the same role for fluid mechanics. Docent Anders Dahkild is the director of graduate studies. The department is managed by a group consisting of: Henrik Alfredsson, Gustav Amberg, Nicholas Apazidis, Fritz Bark, Anders Eriksson, Hanno Essén, Laszlo Fuchs, Dan Henningson (chairman), Arne Johansson, Hans Silverhag.

The undergraduate teaching activity at the department offers a comprehensive course selection in basic mechanics attended by 1 200 students, in fluid mechanics with 400 students and in structural and advanced mechanics with 200 students. With about 100 staff, including 12 professors and 13 associate professors, the department is large enough to provide an excellent research environment in a wide range of research areas for about 40–50 graduate students. During the year 2008, five of the graduate students defended their PhD theses and five presented their Licentiate theses.

The department also, together with the Department of Solid Mechanics, serves as host for the International Masters Programme in Engineering Mechanics, which offers a broad spectrum of high level courses in solid, structural and fluid mechanics. Dr. Gunnar Tibert serves as the coordinator of this programme.

Mechanics of solids, fluids and gases are fundamental areas within classical physics and play pivotal roles in the design and analysis for almost all branches of engineering science. Today, this position is emphasized by the increasing width of areas affected and facilitated by the ideas and methods of the subject. Mechanics, and especially fluid mechanics is the basis for almost all electricity generation, such as wind, hydro, nuclear or combustion, but is increasingly important also for the transportation sector. Another developing area is chemical and material sciences in combination where fluid mechanics leads to a deeper understanding of various physical phenomena and also leads to new technical innovations. The research methods of mechanics are also well established and are successfully used in the biological sciences, with applications to the human body. Such a cross-scientific approach opens new possibilities for a better understanding of a human body (from cells to muscles and locomotion). These exciting new areas go hand in hand with the more traditional applications in a multitude of technological processes used in construction, transportation, paper manufacturing, electro-chemical and pharmaceutical industries, all contributing to the generation of new and challenging research problems. The researchers in the department are divided into eight research groups, without strict formal borders:

- The group of *Structural mechanics* (headed by Prof. Anders Eriksson) studies advanced load-carrying structures in both natural and man-made contexts. Numerical modelling is the main tool for static and dynamic equilibrium situations. The main fields of study in recent years have been on one hand flexible and deployable structures for, e.g., space structures, and on the other hand the human musculoskeletal system. For the latter, both the muscular force production, and the neuro-muscular motion planning have been major study areas. Primary applications of the developed methods are clinical investigations of movement disorders and optimal movements in sports activities.
- The *Stability, transition and control* group (headed by Prof. Dan Henningson) studies how and why orderly laminar flow transitions to chaotic turbulent flow occur. Often large scale numerical experiments are used to predict this process. In the area of flow control and optimization a step further from just analyzing and understanding flows is taken, and deals with how flows can be manipulated and optimized in order to achieve the objectives at hand. Research is performed in cooperation with universities, research institutes and industry worldwide, e.g. in projects funded by the European Union.
- The *Fluid physics Laboratory* (headed by Prof. Henrik Alfredsson) deals with five main research areas at present: fundamental studies of transition to turbulence in boundary layer flows, high Reynolds number and complex turbulent flows, multiphase flows, e.g. fibre suspension flows related to paper industry, internal compressible flows and shock wave research with applications to shock focusing. The experimental research has access to most modern measurement equipment for fluid flows and several high quality flow research rigs. The compressible flow research is coupled to KTH Cicero, Center for Internal Combustion Engine Research Opus, where gas management of IC engines are studied with the aim to increase efficiency and also significantly reduce emissions such as CO₂, NO_x and unburned hydrocarbons. Although most research projects within the laboratory are of basic character, collaboration with industry (e.g. aeronautical, vehicle and paper industry) is common.
- The research group for *Applied fluid mechanics and multiphase flows* (headed by Prof. Laszlo Fuchs) focuses on fluid mechanical problems arising in different applications and in particular turbulent mixing, transport in single and multiphase systems as well as flows involving phase change and chemical reactions. Examples of such flows include the process industry (such as papermaking and pharmaceuticals), propulsion and energy conversion system. The group has close collaboration and common areas of interest with other groups at the department, in particular the Fluid physics group and KTH Cicero.
- The *Turbulence group* (headed by Prof. Arne Johansson) is active in different areas of turbulence research, including modelling and simulations of high Reynolds number flows, development of subgrid models for Large Eddy Simulations (LES), pressure measurements in high Reynolds number flows and measurements in high Reynolds number turbulent boundary

layers. Recent developments also include studies of combustion in turbulent flows. Another growing research area is the study of geophysical flows through theoretical development and simulations, in particular flows subjected to strong stratification. A new research subject is the study of quasi-geostrophic turbulence, i.e., large scale turbulence strongly affected by the combined effects of rotation and stratification.

- The group of *Physio-chemical fluid mechanics* (headed by Prof. Gustav Amberg) studies problems in fluid mechanics dominated by effects such as capillarity, phase change, heat and mass transfer, etc. Examples of application areas are micro fluidics and materials processes.
- The research group for *Fluid mechanics of the process industries* (headed by Prof. Fritz Bark) investigates applied problems, often in combination with other disciplines in the engineering sciences. Examples of research themes are multi-component, multiphase non-isothermal flow in polymer electrolyte fuel cells, electro permutation assisted by ion exchange textiles, multiphase hydrodynamic/electrochemical modeling of pickling of steel and investigations of the mechanics of fiber suspensions.
- In the group of *Theoretical and applied mechanics* (headed by Dr. Hanno Essén) research is performed in the following areas: dynamical systems with discontinuous forces, non-linear acoustics, statistical mechanics with magnetic interaction forces, kinetic gas theory, and asymptotic methods in classical and quantum mechanics.

Personnel related matters during 2008

New appointments during 2008

Hassan Nagib, IIT, Chicago was appointed affiliated professor at the department.

Rebecca Lingwood, Oxford University was appointed affiliated professor at the department.

Daniel Söderberg, STFI/Packforsk (now Innventia) was appointed adjoint professor at the department.

Heide Hornk and Nina Bauer were employed in our administration, and Göran Rådberg in our laboratory as technician.

Nine new graduate students started their PhD. educations at the department during 2008.

We had several post-docs and guest students at the department during the year.

Awards, prizes and funding

Jens Fransson was awarded the Göran Gustafsson prize.

Luca Brandt was appointed as a VR-supported researcher.

The department was successful in obtaining funding from many different sources. In addition to a continued funding from VR, new funding was obtained from,

e.g., STINT (Alfredsson), STEM (Lundell), Vinnova (Amberg), Ljungbergs Utbildningsfond (Söderberg), and KAW (Alfredsson, Söderberg).

The department was one of the main partners of the consortium around a large mainframe computer ('Ekman'), together with the meteorology department of Stockholm University and SMHI. The department was also one of the main partners in the organization of an international 'Turbulence measurement jamboree'.

Miscellaneous

The whole KTH was subjected to a 'Research assessment exercise' during the year, taking major efforts from all academic staff. The fluid mechanics assessment unit came out with overall high marks. The mechanics and biomechanics unit got high academic marks.

The engineering mechanics master's programme was an attractive choice for a considerably increased number of international students. With a new admission strategy, we obtained a higher number of students of very good potential.

Anders Eriksson followed Nicholas Apazidis as department vice chairman from 1 July. Nicholas at the same time got a role with a strategic responsibility for teaching development.

Work on course and teaching strategy for the future was started.

Common department activities

The teachers of the department had a two-day workshop on teaching issues in Lidingö 10–11 April.

The academic year 2007/2008 was ended by a boat trip and a dinner on m/s Askungen in the Stockholm Archipelago on June 10. The department also gathered for a Christmas dinner at restaurant Ulla Winblad on December 10.

The research groups have had a number of formal and informal gatherings.

2 Personnel

Professors

- Alfredsson Henrik, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1983, and Docent at KTH 1985. Prof. of fluid physics 1989. Director of CICERO.
- Amberg Gustav, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 1986, and Docent at KTH 1990. Prof. of fluid mechanics 1999. Dean of the school of Engineering sciences, since December 1, 2004.
- Bark Fritz, Ph.D. in applied mechanics, KTH 1974. Prof. of hydromechanics, 1985.
- Eriksson Anders, Ph.D. in steel structures, KTH 1981, and Docent at KTH 1988. Prof. of structural mechanics 1992. Vice president of KTH, 1999–2007. Acted as president of KTH during August–November 2007. Department vice chairman 2008–.
- Fuchs Laszlo, Ph.D. in gas dynamics, KTH 1977, and Docent at KTH 1980. Prof. of fluid mechanics at LTH 1994–2007. Prof. of fluid mechanics at KTH 2007.
- Henningson Dan, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1988, and Docent at KTH 1992. Prof. of fluid mechanics 1999. Department chairman since July 2005. Director of Linné Flow Center
- Johansson Arne, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1983, and Docent at KTH 1984. Prof. of mechanics 1991. Secretary general for Natural and Engineering Sciences at the Swedish Research Council (VR) since July 2004 (75% at VR, 25% at KTH).

Adjunct professors

- Hanifi Ardeshir, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 1995, and Docent at KTH 2003. Adj. Prof. of fluid mechanics since 2005 (20% at KTH, 80% FOI).
- Thomasson Per-Olof, Ph.D. in steel structures, KTH 1978, and Docent at KTH 1978. Adj. Prof. of applied structural mechanics 2002–2008 (20% at KTH, 80% at Tyréns).
- Söderberg Daniel, Ph.D., KTH 1999. Adj. Prof. of process fluid mechanics since 2008 (20% at KTH).

Professors emeriti

- Enflo Bengt, Ph.D. and Docent in theoretical physics, Univ. of Stockholm 1965. 'Biträdande professor' at KTH 1996. Retired in 2000.
- Lesser Martin, Ph.D. in aerospace engineering, Cornell, Docent and Prof. at LTU. Prof. of mechanics at KTH 1987. Retired in 2005.

Affiliated Professors

- Nagib Hassan, IIT, Chicago.
- Lingwood Rebecca, Oxford University.

Senior Lecturers

- Apazidis Nicholas, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1985, and Docent at KTH 1994. Department vice chairman 2005–2008.
- Burden Anthony, Ph.D. in applied mathematical physics, CTH 1984.
- Dahlkild Anders, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1988, and Docent at KTH 1992. Director of graduate studies.
- Essén Hanno, Ph.D. in theoretical physics, Univ. of Stockholm 1979, and Docent 1986. Director of undergraduate studies.
- Hsieh Richard, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1978, and Docent at KTH 1980.
- Karlsson Arne, TeknL. (50 % at KTH Mechanics).
- Karlsson Göran, Ph.D. in quantum chemistry, Univ. of Uppsala 1970.
- Lindborg Erik, Ph.D. in Mechanics, KTH 1996, and Docent at KTH 2001. Director of undergraduate studies in fluid mechanics.
- Nordmark Arne, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1992, and Docent at KTH 1999.
- Nyberg Christer, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1979.
- Söderholm Lars, Ph.D. and Docent in theoretical physics, Univ. of Stockholm, 1970.
- Thor Lars, Ph.D. in mechanics, KTH 1973. Retired in 2008.
- Thylwe Karl-Erik, Ph.D. in theoretical physics, Univ. of Uppsala 1981, and Docent 1987.

Lecturers, research associates and researchers

- Battini Jean-Marc, Ph.D. in structural mechanics, KTH 2002. Employed until 2008.
- Brandefelt Jenny, Ph.D. in meteorology, Univ. of Stockholm 2005.
- Brandt Luca, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 2003, and Docent at KTH 2008.
- Brethouwer Geert, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, TU Delft 2001.
- Do-Quang Mihn, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 2004.

- Fransson Jens, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 2003, and Docent at KTH 2006.
- Gutierrez Farewik Elena, Ph.D. in orthopedics, KI 2003, and Docent at KTH 2007.
- Lundell Fredrik, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 2003, and Docent at KTH 2008.
- Maxe Gunnar, MSc.
- Tibert Gunnar, Ph.D. in structural mechanics, KTH 2002.
- Tillmark Nils, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 1995. Responsible for the department's lab. facilities.
- Schlatter Philipp, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, ETH 2005.

Adjunct Lecturers

- Wallin Stefan, Ph.D. in fluid mechanics, KTH 2000. Adj. lecturer in fluid mechanics with turbulence modelling application, (30% at KTH, 70% at FOI).

Guest researchers, post-docs

- *Guest lecturer:* Prof. Alessandro Talamelli, Univ. of Bologna, Italy (3 months).
- *Post-doc:* Dr. Takahiro Tsukahara, Tokyo Science University (April 2007–April 2008).
- *Post-doc:* Dr. Yohann Duguet, Ecole centrale de Lyon, Ecully, France.
- *Post-doc:* Dr. Lisa Prah, Lund University.
- *Post-doc:* Dr. Likang Yang, Zhejiang University of Science and Technology, China.
- *Visiting doctoral student:* Mr. Ali Farzadi (June 2007–December 2008).
- *Visiting doctoral student:* Mr. Antonio Segalini, Universita di Bologna (October 2007–May 2008).
- *Visiting doctoral student:* Mr. Shirko Faroughi, Tehran, Iran (October 2008–).

Technical and administrative staff

- Ekstrand Pär, MSc., system manager.
- Hornk, Heide, financial manager.
- Karlström Joakim, tool maker.
- Olofsson Anne-Mari, course administrator.
- Rådberg Göran, tool maker.
- Silverhag Hans, head of administration.
- Skult Stefan, administrative assistant.
- Wester Ingunn, human resource manager.

Changes in the department personnel in recent years are summarized in the following table

Number of employees during 2001-2008								
Position	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Prof./Adj. Prof.	9	11	11	10	10	10	11	11
Lect./Adj. Lect.	14	15	16	16	16	16	15	14
Ass. lect./Researcher/Adjunct	7	7	9	11	12	12	15	15
Technical/adm staff	9	9	10	10	9	9	9	7
Guest Res./Post-docs			3	5	5	4	6	5
Doctoral students	48	45	46	42	38	37	40	36
External doct. stud.	14	12	6	11	8	6	5	9
Total	101	99	101	105	98	94	101	97

Active graduate students at KTH Mechanics during 2008					
Name	Affiliation	Adv.	Start	TeknL	TeknD
Ahlberg Charlotte	Mech	FL	04/2007		
Amer Malik	Mech	GA	11/2008		
Bagheri Shevrin	Mech	DH	04/2006	06/2008	
Bellani Gabrielle	Mech	FL/DS	02/2006	10/2008	
Bodin Olle	Mech	LF	09/2006		
Byström Martin	Mech	DH	02/2005	06/2007	
Carlsson Allan	Mech	DS/FL	01/2005	02/2007	
Carlsson Andreas	Mech	GA	12/2007		
Dalilsafaei Seif	Mech	AE/GT	11/2008		
Fallenius Bengt	Mech	JF/HAL	04/2006		
Fällman Monika	Mech	FB/DS	04/2003		
Gärdsback Mattias	Mech	AE/GT	03/2004	02/2007	12/2008
Hellström Fredrik	GM PT	LF	09/2005	03/2008	
Hyensjö Marko	Metso	AD	09/2001	04/2005	06/2008
Ivanell Stefan	Mech/HGO	DH	10/2003	05/2005	
Kjellander Malte	Mech	NA/NT	05/2007		
Klets Olesya	Mech	AE/LGF	09/2008		
Kosterina Natalia	Mech	AE	11/2006		
Kurian Thomas	Mech	HAL/JF	08/2005		
Laurantzon Fredrik	Mech	HAL/NT	06/2007		
Li Qiang	Mech	DH	05/2007		
Lin Yuan	Mech	GA	01/2004	06/2006	06/2008
Ljubimova Darja	Mech	AE	11/2002	12/2005	
Lögdberg Ola	Scania	HAL/JF	09/2003	10/2006	
Manda Krishnagoud	Mech	AE	10/2008		
Marstorp Linus	Mech	AJ/GB	02/2004	04/2006	06/2008
Mellgren Niklas	Mech/FLA	MV	05/2003		
Monokrousos Antonios	Mech	DH	02/2007		
Muld Tomas	Mech	DH/GE	04/2007		
Ohlsson Johan	Mech	DH	03/2007		
Pettersson Robert	Mech	AE/LGF	09/2006		
Sakowitz Aleksander	Mech	LF	12/2008		
Schrader Lars-Uve	Mech	DH	04/2006	11/2008	
Semerano Onofrio	Mech	DH	10/2008		
Shahinfar Shahab	Mech	JF/HA	06/2008		
von Stillfried Florian	Mech	AJ/SW	09/2007		
Strömgren Tobias	Mech	GA/AJ	04/2005	03/2008	
Svärd Anna	GM/PT	HAL/NT	09/2005		
Tahir Abdul Malik	Mech	GA	08/2008		
Tammisola Outi	Mech	DS/FL	06/2006		
Tempelmann David	Mech	DH	03/2007		
Vallgren Andreas	Mech	EL	02/2007		
Velter Guillaume	Mech	AJ/GB	08/2008		
Wang Ruoli	Mech	LGF/AE	06/2007		
Åkervik Espen	Mech	DH	03/2004	03/2007	12/2008
Örlü Ramis	Mech	HAL/NT	02/2004	10/2006	

3 Economy

The financial state of the department is summarized in the table and diagrams below. The seemingly extremely good result for the year 2008 is to a large extent related to the moving of Prof. Laszlo Fuchs from Lund University to KTH.

KTH Mekanik, resultat			
RESULTATRÄKNING 2008 (kr)	GRU	FOFU	Totalt
Gruanslag	15,579,892	0	15,579,892
Fofuanslag	0	25,206,054	25,206,054
Bidrag fr externa finansiärer	0	33,435,561	33,435,561
Övriga intäkter	250,473	1,051,009	1,301,482
Finansiella intäkter	0	855,525	855,525
SUMMA INTÄKTER	15,830,365	60,548,149	76,378,514
Personalkostnader	10,977,119	29,221,211	40,198,330
Lokalkostnader	1,379,905	7,179,339	8,559,244
Resor och traktamenten	61,511	1,913,169	1,974,680
Drift och övrigt	415,121	2,786,244	3,201,365
Gemensamma kostnader	1,831,310	7,711,741	9,543,051
Avskrivningar	44,390	1,210,304	1,254,694
Finansiella kostnader	74	1,213	1,287
SUMMA KOSTNADER	14,709,430	50,023,221	64,732,651
ÅRETS KAPITALFÖRÄNDRING	1,120,935	10,524,928	11,645,863

RESULTATRÄKNING (k)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Gruanslag	10,292,988	12,324,322	14,634,440	14,722,646	14,519,201	16,088,607	15,783,902	14,779,184	15,579,892
Fofuanslag	15,708,352	20,753,146	20,272,936	20,381,213	19,070,258	20,294,169	22,231,335	23,354,808	25,206,054
Externa intäkter	24,355,272	28,464,614	30,705,935	31,577,133	30,276,021	26,586,224	24,991,127	24,593,559	35,592,568
SUMMA INTÄKTER	50,356,612	61,542,082	65,613,311	66,680,992	63,865,480	62,969,001	63,006,364	62,727,551	76,378,514
SUMMA KOSTNADER	52,922,858	57,673,596	61,807,300	64,157,643	65,447,867	64,506,333	63,266,942	63,664,773	64,732,651
ÅRETS KAPITALFÖRÄNDRING	-2,566,246	3,868,486	3,806,011	2,523,349	-1,582,387	-1,537,332	-260,578	-937,222	11,645,863

Omsättning

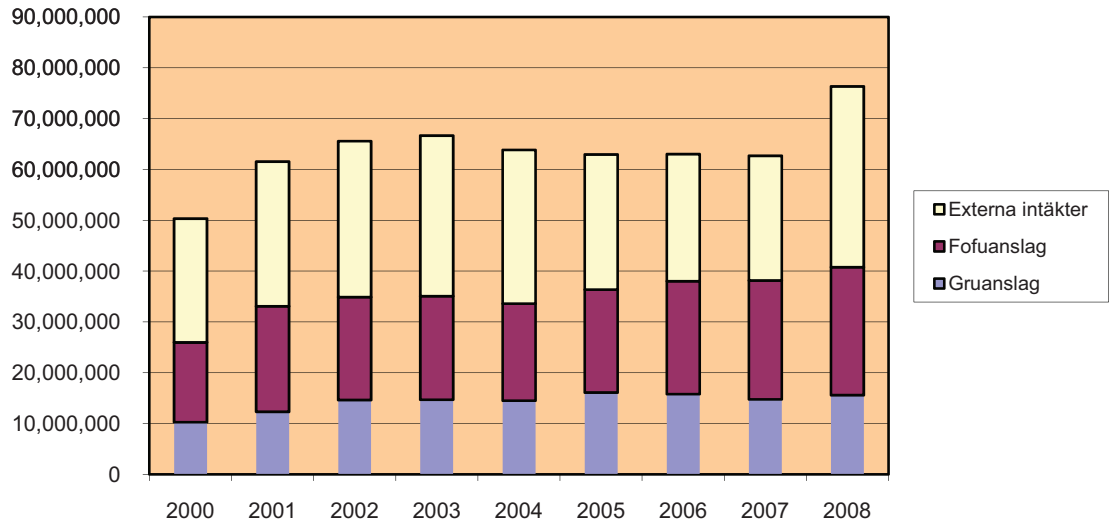


Figure 1: Turnaround in SEK during 2000–2008

Kapitalförändring

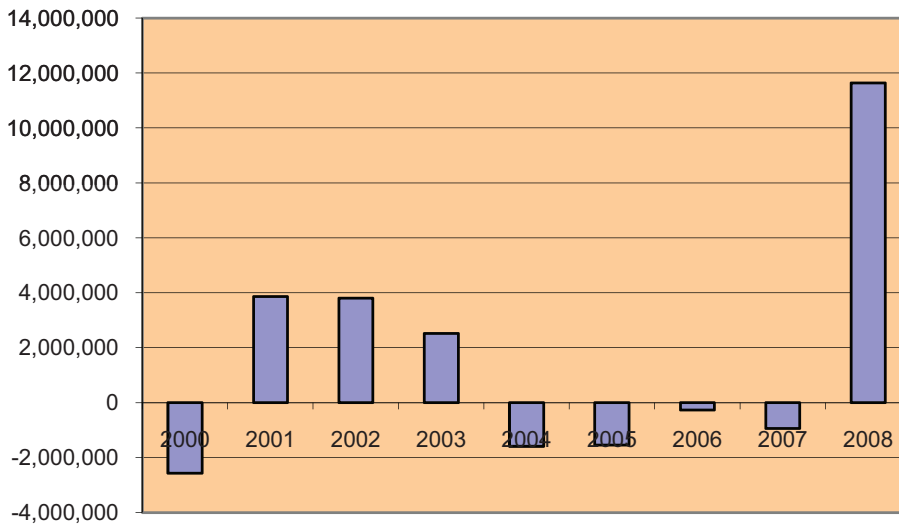


Figure 2: The surplus/deficit in SEK during 2000–2008

4 Teaching activities

4.1 Undergraduate courses

These data refer to the academic year 2008/9.

Basic courses mechanics				
Progr.: Year	Code	Credit	Name	Responsible
K, Bio : 1	SG1102	6,0	Mechanics, Smaller course	Lindborg
OPEN : 1	SG1102	6,0	Mechanics, Smaller course	Lundell
E : 2	SG1102	6,0	Mechanics, Smaller course	Bark
MT : 1	SG1102	6,0	Mechanics, Smaller course	Maxe
S : 2	SG1107	7,5	Mechanics	Thylwe
ME : 1	SG1108	7,5	Applied Physics, Mechanics	Hsieh
I : 1	SG1109	8,0	Mechanics for I	Essén
F : 2	SG1113	6,0	Mechanics, Continuation course	Apazidis
F : 1	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Apazidis
CL : 2	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Apazidis
BD : 1	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Nyberg
M : 1	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Nyberg
T : 1	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Nyberg
P : 1	SG1130	9,0	Mechanics I	Thylwe
M : 2	SG1140	6,0	Mechanics II	Thylwe
T : 2	SG1140	6,0	Mechanics II	Nyberg
P : 2	SG1130	6,0	Mechanics II	Bark
Advanced courses				
All : 4	SG2122	6,0	Continuum mechanics	Söderholm
All : 4	SG2123	6,0	Math. methods of mechanics	Söderholm
All : 4	SG2126	7,5	Nonlinear dynamics	Nordmark
All: 4	SG2127	3	Research methodology in mechanics	Essén
All : 3	SG2150	7,5	Rigid body dynamics	Essén
Advanced courses structural mechanics				
S : 3	SG1801	7,5	Structural mechanics, basic	Eriksson
S : 4	SG2802	7,5	Membranes, plates and FEM	Tibert
S : 4	SG2803	7,5	Num. modelling and simulation	Eriksson
All : 4	SG2850	7,5	Finite element methods	Eriksson
All : 4	SG2860	7,5	Finite element modelling	Eriksson
All : 4	SG2870	7,5	Non-linear FEM	Tibert
Basic courses fluid mechanics				
T : 2	SG1216	6,0	Thermodynamics	Burden
T : 2	SG1217	6,0	Fluid mechanics	A. Karlsson
M, P : 3	SG1220	6,0	Fluid mechanics for engineers	A. Karlsson
Advanced courses fluid mechanics				
All : 4	SG1213	3,0	Appl. comp. fluid dynamics	Wallin
All : 4	SG1215	7,5	Compressible flow	Alfredsson
All : 4	SG2211	6,0	Vehicle aerodynamics	Talamelli
All : 3	SG2214	7,5	Fluid mechanics, General course	Dahlkild
All : 4	SG2219	7,5	Advanced compressible flows	HA, NA, AD, NT

All : 4	SG2221	7,5	Wave motion and stability	Fransson
F : 3	SG2223	9,0	Fluid mechanics	Lindborg & Fransson
All : 4	KF2050	6,0	Paper process technology	Lundell

The numbers of students based on h as/h ap: $8 \cdot (\text{h as} + \text{h ap}) / 2$ during the years 2002-2008 are summarized in the following table

Number of students during 2002-2008							
Courses	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Basic mechanics	1744	1496	1504	1442	1371	1403	1232
Upper level mechanics courses	48	72	96	52	48	42	35
Fluid mechanics	288	408	352	514	425	363	367
Structural mechanics	372	317	262	183	146	133	179

4.2 Master's thesis projects

Master's theses during 2008		
Name	Title	Advisor
Fedina, E.	Numerical Simulation of Vertical Diffusion in Stratified Turbulence	E. Lindborg
Wallin, M.	Charging strategies for plug-in hybrid vehicles	H. Ess�en
Shkury, E.	Numerical Study of Drag Reduction in Boundary Layers with Vortex Generators	P. Schlatter
Amin, S.	Transition to Turbulence of a Three Dimensional Boundary Layer Subjected to Free-Stream Turbulence	L. Brandt
G�oras, A.	Check Valves within Dewatering Applications	H. Alfredsson
Clavet, T.	Modeling of the hydraulic system in a dishwasher	L. Brandt
Wickman, C.	Heat Transfer in Processing Components	A. Dahlkild
Lindberg, J.	Analys av kylarupph�angning "P"-paket f�or 5-cylindriga motorer	A. Nordmark

Odemark, Y.	LES beräkningar på termisk omblandning i ett T-format grenrör	H. Alfredsson
Stålbom, M.	Musculoskeletal system simulations to analyse muscle forces and movement pattern	A.Eriksson
D´Alberto, L.	Instantaneous temperature measurements in turbulent flows – Frequency compensation schemes and wire diameter effects	H. Alfredsson
Enjalbert, N.T.	A theoretical and numerical investigation of turbulent reacting jets in glass furnaces	A. Burden

4.3 Graduate courses

During 2008 the following graduate courses ('forskarutbildningskurser') were given. In addition several reading courses were also given.

- SG3105 Fluid mechanics for graduate students (Lindborg)
- SG3112 Turbulence (Burden)
- SG3113 Advanced compressible flow (Alfredsson, Apazidis, Dahlkild, Tillmark)
- SG3114 Numerical methods in fluid mechanics (Henningson, Hanifi)
- SG2221 Wave motions and hydrodynamic stability (Brandt, Fransson)

Within the Linneaus graduate school, an advanced course in Turbulence boundary layers was given with Alfredsson and Brandt as organizers. A number of prominent international lecturers were invited and gave, together with Profs. Alfredsson and Johansson, about 20 hours of high profile lectures.

5 Research activities

5.1 Doctoral theses defended 2008

Marko Hyensjö

Thesis title: Fibre Orientation Modelling Applied to Contracting flows Related to Papermaking

Date: June 5, 2008

Faculty opponent: Prof. Markku Kataja, University of Jyväskylä

Evaluation committee: Prof. Bengt Andersson, Chalmers, Prof. Staffan Toll, Chalmers, Docent Anna-Karin Tornberg, KTH

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Faculty opponent: Prof. Hywel Morgan, University of Southampton

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Linus Marstorp

Thesis title: Modelling of subgrid-scale stress and passive scalar flux in large eddy simulations of wall bounded turbulent flows

Date: June 13, 2008

Faculty opponent: Prof. Pierre Comte, Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble

Evaluation committee: Dr Johan Hoffman, KTH, prof. Xue-Song Bai, LTH, Dr Christer Fureby, FOI

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Thesis title: Global stability and feedback control of boundary layer flows

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Faculty opponent: Professor Dwight Barkley, University of Warwick

Evaluation committee: Prof. Anders Forsgren, KTH, Docent Johan Hoffmann, KTH, Dr Björn Anders Pettersson-Reif, FFI Norway & Chalmers

Main advisor: Prof. Dan Henningson

Mattias Gärdsback

Thesis title: Deployment Control of Spinning Space Webs and Membranes

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Faculty opponent: Dr. Thomas W. Murphey, Air Force Research Laboratory, USA

Evaluation committee: Prof. Elling W. Jacobsen, KTH, Dr. Reijo Kouhia, Helsinki University of Technology, Dr. Sven Grahn, Swedish Space Corporation.

Main advisor: Prof. Anders Eriksson and Dr. Gunnar Tibert

5.2 Licentiate theses presented 2008

Tobias Strömgren

Thesis title: Modelling of turbulent gas-particle flow

Date: March 12, 2008

External examiner: Docent Johan Revstedt, LTH

Main advisor: Prof. Gustav Amberg.

Fredrik Hellström

Thesis title: Numerical computations of the unsteady flow in a radial turbine

Date: March 28, 2008

External examiner: Docent Jonas Bredberg,

Main advisor: Prof. Laszlo Fuchs.

Shervin Bagheri

Thesis title: Stability analysis and control design of spatially developing flows

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External examiner: M. Berggren, UU

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Thesis title: Velocity measurements in a fiber suspension flow: formation of a fiber network

Date: October 29, 2008

External examiner: Prof. Staffan Lundström, LTU

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Lars-Uve Schrader

Thesis title: Receptivity of Boundary Layers under Pressure Gradient

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Two-dimensional turbulence on a bounded domain, the role of angular momentum.

February 1 Claes Hedberg, Blekinge Tekniska Högskola
Self-silenced sound and nonlinear acoustic non-destructive testing.

February 8 Ephraim Gutmark, U. Cincinnati
On synthetic jets and their application.

February 14 Wouter van der Wijngaart, Microsystem Technology Lab.
Surface tension based microfluidic components.

February 18 Edmond Walsh, University of Limerick, Ireland
Peak streak perturbations and entropy generation rates in boundary layers subjected to free stream turbulence.

February 21 Donald Mc Eligot, Idaho National Laboratory, University of Stuttgart
Recent studies with the World's largest Matched-Index-of-Refractive flow system.

February 22 Luca Brandt, KTH Mechanics
Boundary layer receptivity.

February 28 Minh Do-Quang, KTH Mechanics
Simulation of influence of wetting parameters on the solid-liquid impact.

March 6 Lars-Uve Schrader, KTH Mechanics
Receptivity mechanisms in three-dimensional boundary layers.

March 7 Fredrik Lundell, KTH Mechanics
Suspensions of non-spherical particles: an introduction to differences between water, clay and pulp.

March 12 Tobias Strömgen, KTH Mechanics
Modelling of turbulent gas-particle flow.

March 13 A Hirschberg, Technical University of Twente, The Netherlands
Human whistling, gas-transport systems, Ariane V and corrugated pipes.

March 20 Anders Dahlkild, KTH Mechanics
Evolution of flat plate wakes in sink flow.

March 28 Fredrik Hellström, KTH Mechanics
Numerical computations of the unsteady flow in a radial turbine.

April 10 Masaharu Matsubara, Shinshu University, Japan
High Reynolds experiments using towing tank facilities.

April 15 Tomas Ooppelstrup, KTH NADA
Efficient simulation of Brownian motion in the low density limit.

April 15 Hassan Nagib, KTH Mechanics
Recent developments in turbulent boundary layers understanding.

April 17 Etienne Roberg, EPFL Lausanne
Experimental investigation of unstrained diffusion flames and their instabilities.

April 21 Carlo Cossu, LadHyX - Ecole Polytechnique, France
Optimal perturbations and very large scale structures in turbulent boundary layers.

April 24 Elisabetta De Angelis, University of Bologna
Drag reduction in wall turbulence.

April 29 Arne Nordmark, KTH Mechanics
Mechanical rigid body systems with impacts and friction: How the simplest models lead to strange behavior like Painlevé paradoxes and reverse chattering.

May 7 Carlo Casciola, University of Rome
Turbulence basics: Small scale turbulence basics.

May 8 Carlo Casciola, University of Rome
Turbulence basics: Intermittency.

May 8 Carlo Casciola, University of Rome
Turbulence basics: Small scale anisotropy.

May 9 Carlo Casciola, University of Rome
Turbulence basics: Small scale anisotropy, numerical and experimental results.

May 19 Beverley McKeon, California Institute of Technology
The atmospheric surface layer as a model for canonical turbulent boundary layers.

May 20 Alexander Smits, Princeton University
Smooth and rough wall pipe flows.

May 22 Gilead Tadmor, Mathematics Department, Northeastern University
A Unified Framework for Low Order Galerkin Flow Models and Feedback Flow Control.

May 26 Hassan Nagib, KTH Mechanics
Comparison of Mean Flow Similarity Laws in Wall-Bounded Flows.

May 27 Bengt Enflo, KTH Mechanics
A standing acoustic wave with shocks in a cubically nonlinear medium.

May 27 Ivan Marusic, University of Melbourne
Modeling Wall Turbulence Using the Attached Eddy Hypothesis.

June 3 Karl-Erik Thylwe, KTH Mechanics
(Sub)atomic Wave Mechanics - New amplitude-phase method approach to solving the radial Dirac equation.

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Modelling of subgrid-scale stress and passive scalar flux in large eddy simulations of wall bounded flows.

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September 2 Riccardo Rossi, University of Bologna
Numerical simulation of scalar dispersion in complex flows.

September 18 Gaetano Sardina, University of Rome, La Sapienza
Spatially evolving turbophoresis: mechanics of inertial particle accumulation at the wall.

September 25 Murtazo Nazarov, KTH NADA
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October 10 Parviz Moin, CTR, Stanford University
Integrated Simulation of Complex Multi-Physics Turbulent Flows.

October 21 Axel Kierkegaard, Aero
Numerical investigations of generation and propagation of sound waves in low Mach number internal flows.

October 22 Wolfgang Polifke, TU Munich
Identification of thermo- and aero-acoustic response functions from CFD time series.

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Velocity measurements in a fiber suspension flow: formation of a fiber network.

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On the Euler equations as a model for high Reynolds number flow.

November 6 Gastan Compere, Université catholique de Louvain
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