



## Welcome at the online TU/e Graduate School Event

### Master Systems and Control (S&C)

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# Today's program:

- Presentation Master's & pre-Master's program S&C (30 min)
- Time for questions (15 min)

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- **Brainport region**
- Systems and Control: why?
- Systems and Control: what?
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The Netherlands

**Top-ranking  
Dutch  
university**

Brainport

At the heart of  
the Brainport region

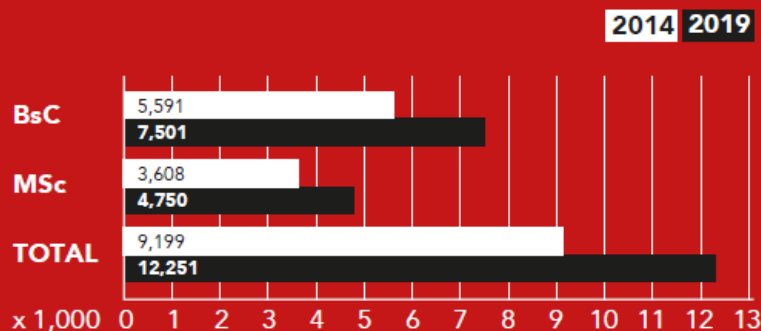
Strong technology  
heritage in Eindhoven

Eindhoven

Accounts for 23,1% of total Dutch private R&D expenditure\*



## Student growth



\*Costs and figures are based on the year 2019



## Engineers for the future

More than **93** nationalities

**12,251** total number of students

**92%** of the graduated students finds a job within 6 months. Nationwide this is 89%

**3,298** total degrees awarded  
1.441 BSc / 1.455 MSc  
120 PDEng / 282 PhD

**59,341** total number Alumni  
83% Male, 17% Female



86% Dutch  
14% International



73% Male  
27% Female

\*As in 2019

# Brainport: the beating technological heart of Europe



The TU/e campus covers an area of 75 hectares

EAISI:  
Artificial intelligence

3 Interdisciplinary  
research institutes

EIRES:  
Energy transition

ICMS: Complex  
molecular systems



## Ecosystem and characteristics



**47** new patent applications

**7** patents filed by third parties

**29** provisionals converted

**35** transferred via  
a transfer or license



**2747\*** Scientific publications



**54** New start-ups and spin-offs



**15** Large research labs



**50** Smaller research facilities



## International working environment

**3,301.3** Total staff (fte)

**2,122** Research staff (fte)



64.3% Dutch

154 Full professors



35.7% International

138 Part time professors



61.5% Male

144 Associate professors



38.5% Female

300 Assistant professors

1,572 PhD fellows



## Rankings:



CWTS Leiden Ranking 2020:  
TU/e no. 4 in industry cooperation



Times Higher Education:  
2021 no. 187 of 1000



QS-Ranking 2021:  
no. 120 of 1003

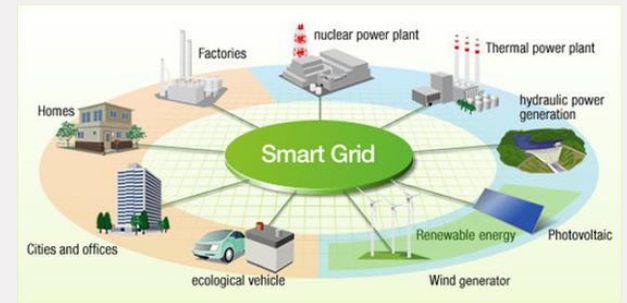
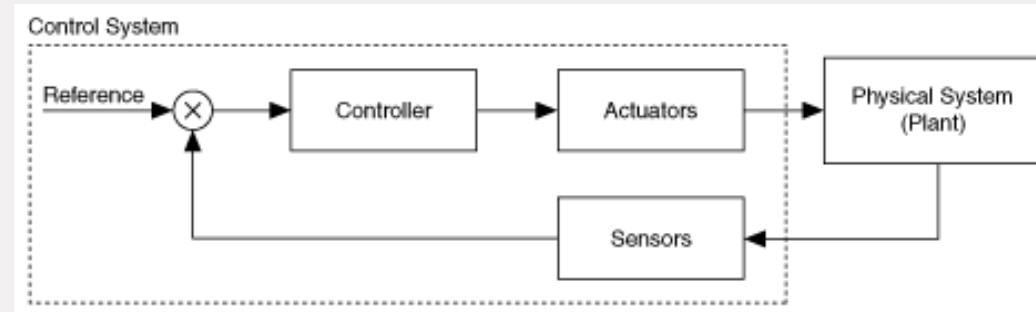
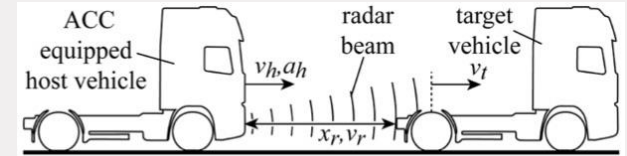
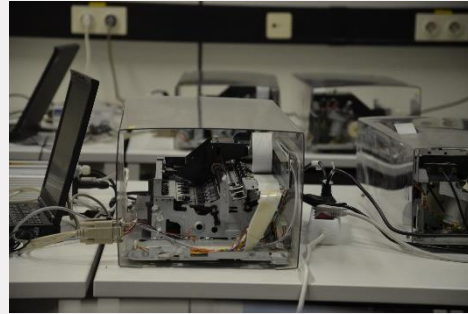
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# Systems and Control

- Plant
- Sensor
- Actuator
- Controller





# Systems and Control

- Technological contributions in many fields
- Hidden but crucial technology
- Generic theory for many applications
- Applications in high tech industry, communication, health, 3D printing, etc...
- Key ingredient of AI for engineering systems



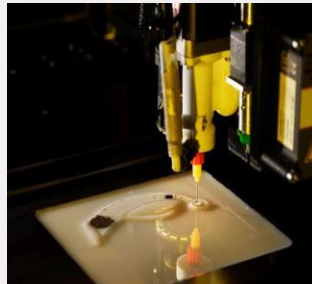
Automotive applications



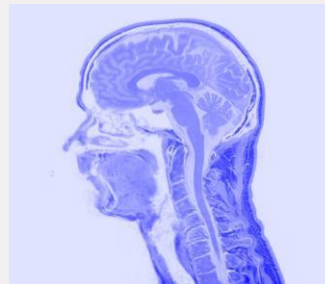
Energy distribution



Communication



Additive manufacturing



Health and care



Aviation systems

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# Systems and Control: an interdisciplinary study



TU/e  
Mechanical  
Engineering



TU/e  
Electrical  
Engineering

Partner universities:



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UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE.



# Program overview

- **Core program (25 EC)**

1st year

- Specialization courses (20 EC)
- Free electives (incl. homologation, 15 EC)

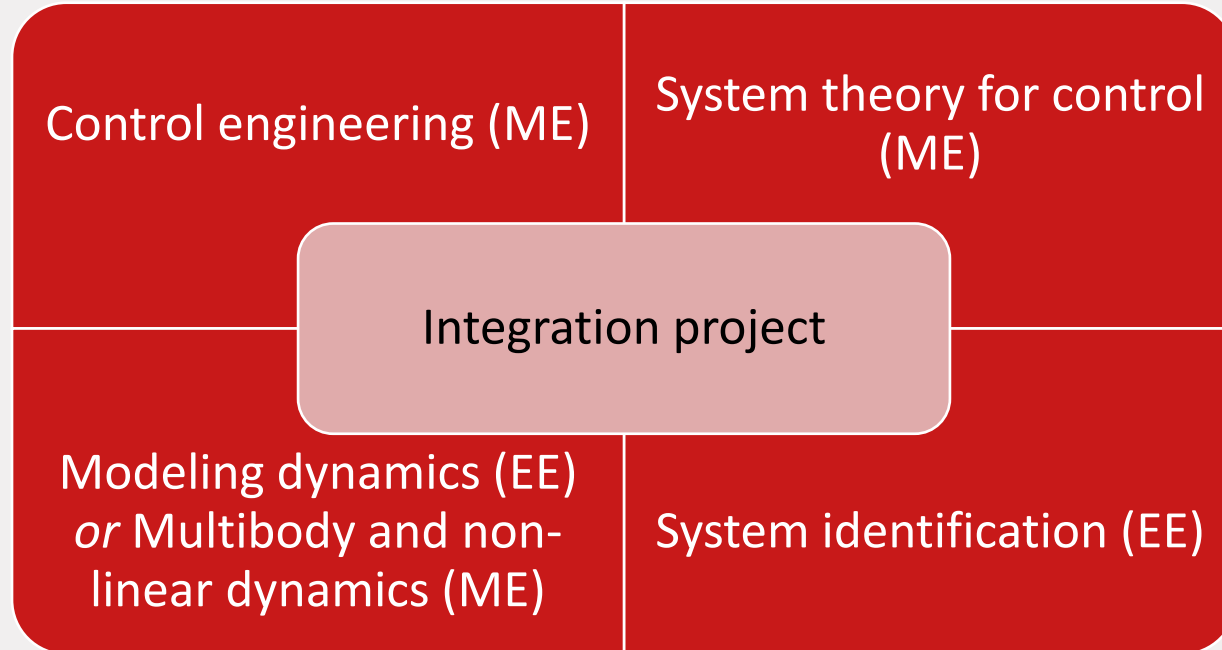
2nd year

Internship  
(15 EC)

Graduation project  
(45 EC)

*\*double degree with AI&ES is not allowed*

# Education - core program S&C



# First year schedule

## Quarter 1

- Control Engineering
- System theory for control
- Homologation, or choice, or Modeling Dynamics\*

## Quarter 2

- Multi-body and Non-linear Dynamics\*
- Choice
- Choice

## Quarter 3

- System Identification
- choice
- choice

## Quarter 4

- Integration Project
- choice
- choice

\*Students have to choose one of these 2 courses

Choice = free elective or specialization

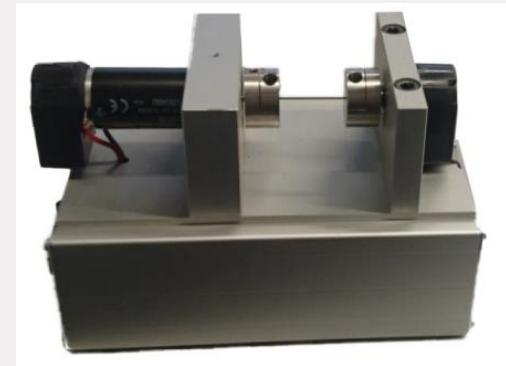
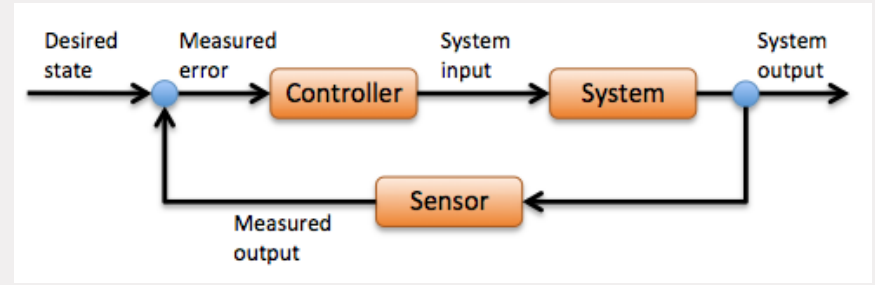
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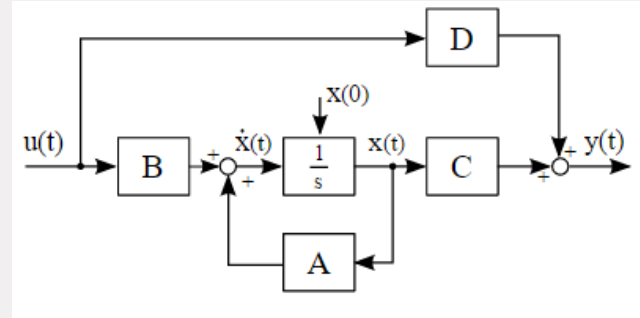
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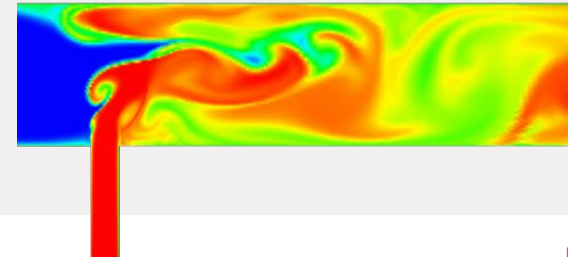
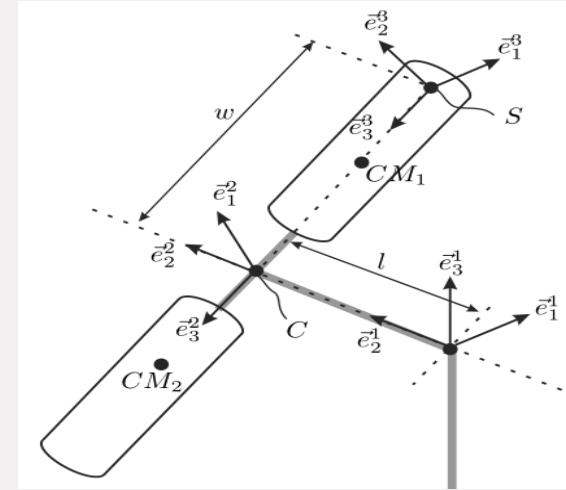
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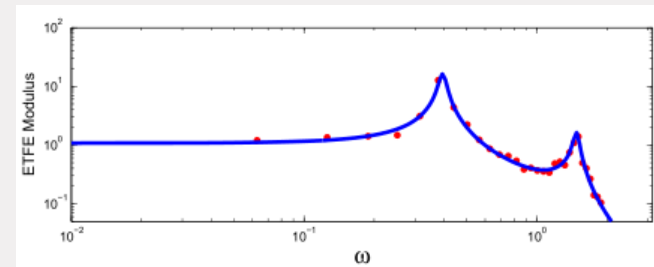
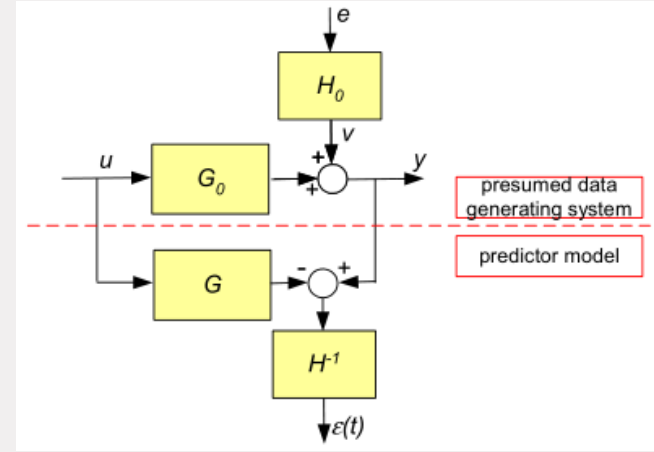
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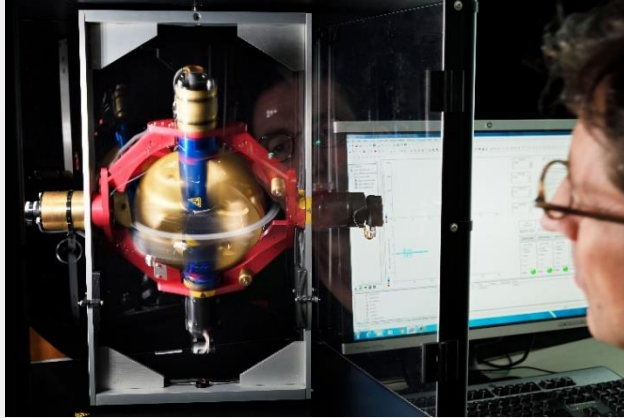
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# Integration project

- Apply all knowledge from the other core courses
- Define the goal yourself on a given set-up such as a 3-DOF gyroscope or a drone
- Work in a multidisciplinary project team (+/- 4 members)
- Develop your professional skills



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# Specialization in the program

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2nd year	<b>Internship (15 EC)</b>	<b>Graduation project (45 EC)</b>

- Curriculum = coherent, in line with specialization, guidance from mentor
- Internship and graduation project: independent work, explore new research questions, within university or in cooperation with industry

# Sections S&C

- Control Systems Technology /

prof. Steinbuch  
prof. Heemels



**MECHANICAL  
ENGINEERING  
DEPARTMENT**



- Dynamics & Control /

prof. Van de Wouw

high precision and accuracy / hybrid and network control/ nuclear fusion / systems engineering

non linear control / automotive / vehicle dynamics / cooperative driving / manufacturing networks

high-tech / process control / multi agent systems / energy management / dynamic networks

hybrid and electrical driving / electromagnetics / actuator design / power electronics

- Control Systems /

prof. Van den Hof



**ELECTRICAL  
ENGINEERING  
DEPARTMENT**



- Electro - mechanics and Power Electronics /

prof. Lomonova

# Research groups

- TU/e world class in control:
  - IEEE/IFAC Fellows, National and European Grants (ERC, VICI)
- Contacts and contracts with many industrial partners
- Staff members are authors and editors in top journals
- and have a world-wide network
- Spin-off companies
- Guiding and coaching research of close to 100 PhD students
- Follow-up PhD and graduate work in national Dutch Institute of Systems and Control (DISC)

## • Control Systems /

prof. Van den Hof



ELECTRICAL  
ENGINEERING  
DEPARTMENT



Electro -  
mechanics and  
Power  
Electronics /  
prof. Lomonova

**disc**  
dutch institute  
of systems  
and control

## • Dynamics & Control /

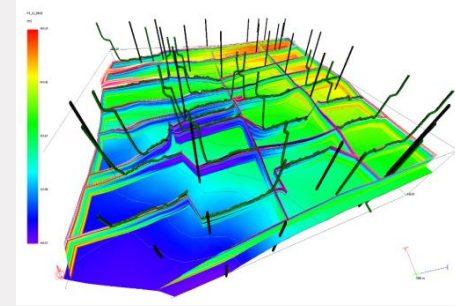
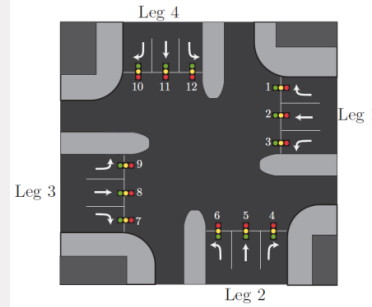
prof. Nijmeijer



# Project examples



Cooperative vehicles and traffic control



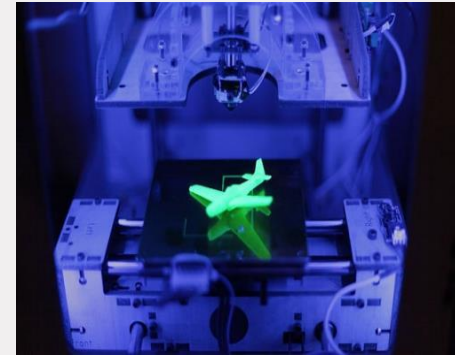
Reservoir modeling and control



Energy distribution

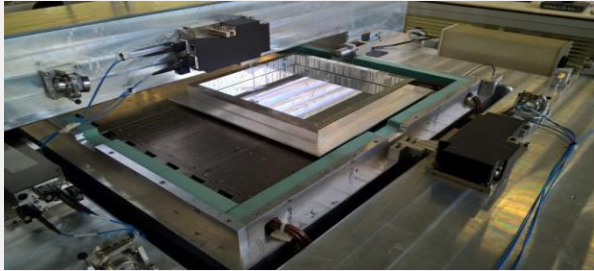


Process control



3D printing: modeling and control

# Project examples



Magnetically levitated planar motor



Active car suspension



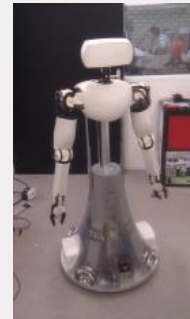
Wafer scanner



Care and cure robotics



Mechatronic designs, cooperative robotics



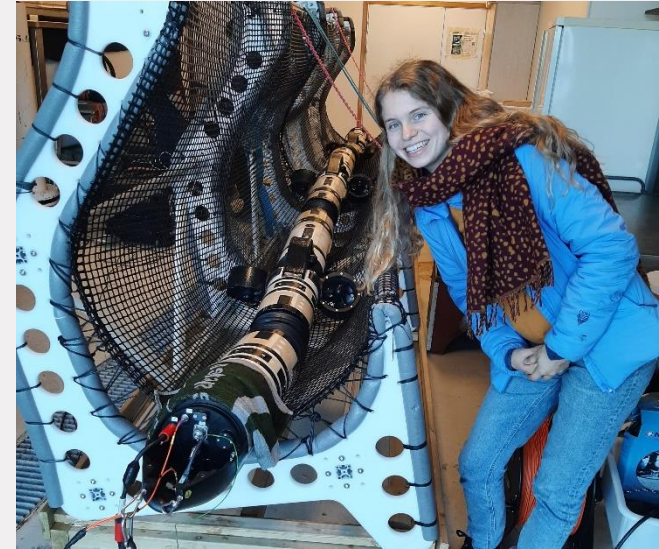
High tech for agriculture

# Examples of graduation projects

- “Nonlinear modeling for dynamic analysis of directional drilling processes.”
- “Robust control of an adaptive optics system under non-stationary turbulence conditions.”
- “Constrained Control of An interventional X-ray machine using Sampling-based Nonlinear Model Predictive Control”
- “Controlling structural deformation of a wafer stage: a disturbance-observer based approach.”
- .....

# Internship project in Trondheim

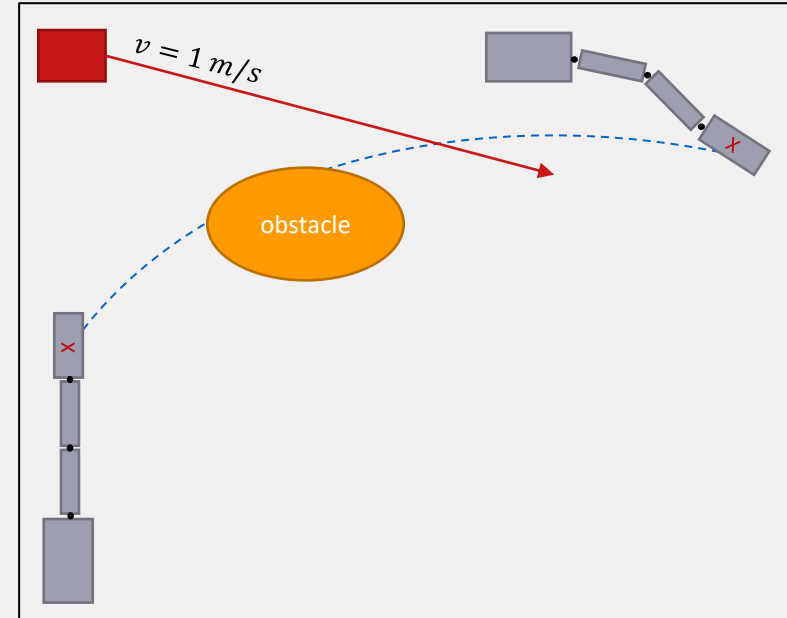
Interaction control for submarine snake robots





# Graduation project @Philips

Model predictive control (MPC) with obstacle avoidance for medical robots



# Coaching

- Mentor program: Full, associate or assistant professor
- Student mentor
- Academic advisor



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# After graduation

## Research:

- PhD (graduate school DISC)
- PDEng (Automotive Systems Design, or...)

## Industry:

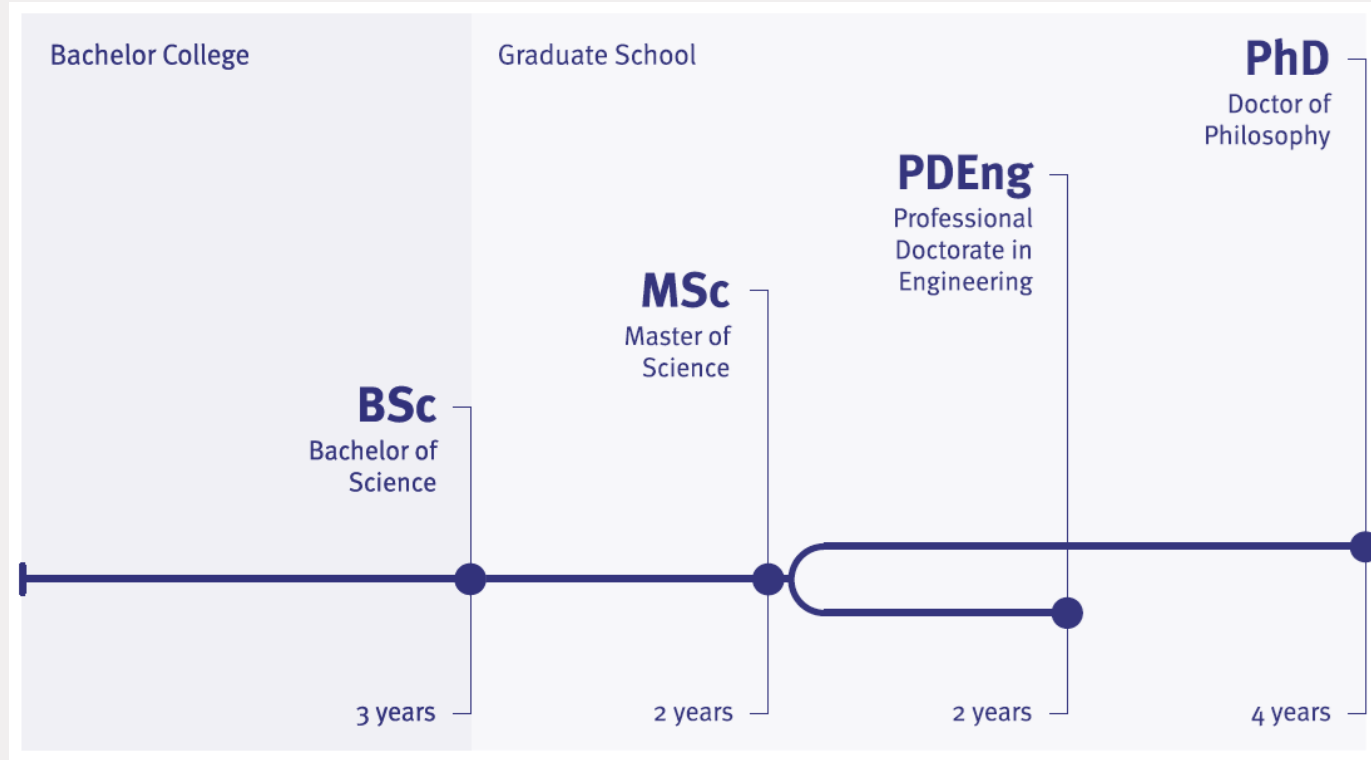
- High-tech industry
- Aviation
- Process industry
- Health
- Automotive industry

Consultancy / Start-up / Spin-off company



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# TU/e Graduate School – shape your own future!



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# Studying S&C at TU/e

- Not easy!
- Small scale (approx. 50 students in year 1)
- Highly motivated peers
- Excellent job opportunities
- Good student evaluations



## National Student Survey 2021 (1-5 scale):

Content 4.1

Lecturers 4.1

Academic guidance 4.0

General 4.0



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- **Systems and Control pre-Master program**

# Pre-Master Systems and Control

- Duration: 1 years (30 EC)
- Time of entry: September
- Language: English

Why?

- Eliminate deficiencies

What?

- Program of 30 EC, to be achieved within one year
- Focus on mathematics (10 EC)

# S&C pre-Master program 2021-2022

Compulsory courses

30 EC

quarter 1	2DL60	Linear Algebra	2.5
	2WBB0	Calculus variant 2	5
	5ESCO	DSP fundamentals (signals II)	5
quarter 2	2DL40	Advanced Calculus I	2.5
	4DB00	Dynamics and control of mechanical systems	5
quarter 3	4CC10	Mechatronic Design	5
quarter 4	5EMA0	Mathematics II	5

Mandatory trainings

- RSI (healthy use of laptop)
- Safety & environment

Recommended

- Matlab training



# Difference WO & HBO (in general)

## University of technology:

- **Developing** new technology and design methods to solve technological problems
- Education focusses on concepts and their implications
- Guaranteeing performance of controlled and engineered systems
- **Internship is a research project**

## University of applied science:

- **Applying** existing technology and design methods to solve technological problems
- Education focusses on practical application
- Internship in industry

# How to prepare during your bachelor's program?

- A pre-master's program is more work than one might think. You must be willing to work hard.
- It is not advised to do the pre-master in combination with a part-time job in industry.
- Subscription for a pre-master via Studielink before **May 1st**.
- required minimum level of mathematics: pre-university (VWO) mathematics B or [TU/e mathematics B test](#) **completed before September 1st**
- required minimum level of English proficiency: pre-university (VWO) level English or [English language proficiency test](#) **completed before September 1st**

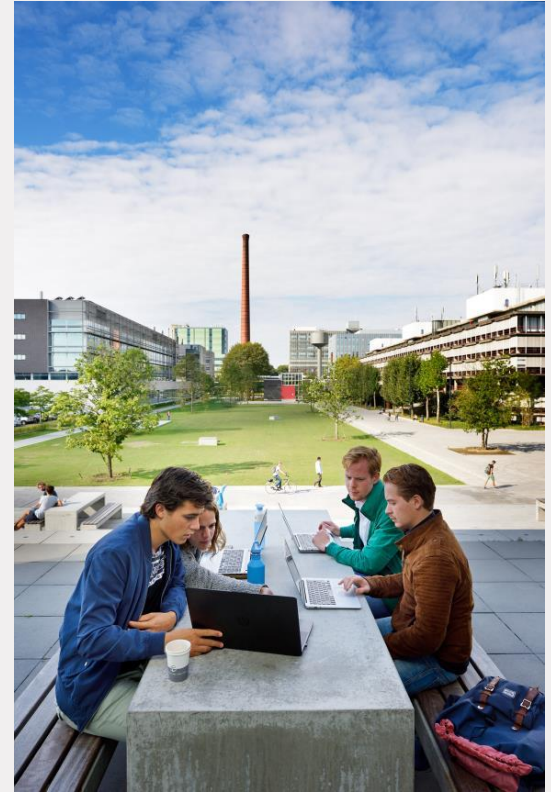
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# Admission with a BSc degree in:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Physics
- Electrical Engineering (including Automotive)
- Mechanical Engineering

Prior education needs to be of sufficient academic level and quality to be able to complete this Master's degree program



# Admission via pre-master's program with

→ Direct admission:

- Automotive
  - Electrical and Electronic Engineering
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Technische wiskunde
  - Aviation / Aeronautical Engineering
  - Engineering Physics
  - Mechatronics
- Tailor-made pre-master's programs for other (university + HBO) diplomas via admission committee [Admission.Mech@tue.nl](mailto:Admission.Mech@tue.nl)





# APPLICATION MASTER PROGRAMS

## For Dutch students:

- More information about admission: [www.tue.nl/admission](http://www.tue.nl/admission)
- Application via <http://www.studielink.nl/>
- Questions: [studereren@tue.nl](mailto:studereren@tue.nl)

## For international students:

- Check the requirements for admission via [www.tue.nl/admission](http://www.tue.nl/admission)
- Apply at the online [application form](#) (available from 1 Oct – 1 May)
- Application fee of €100 for each application (non refundable)
- Application procedure takes +/- 8 weeks
- You will be informed by email about the outcome of your application
- Questions: [io@tue.nl](mailto:io@tue.nl)



# More information

## Information:

- TU/e-website: <https://www.tue.nl/en/education/studying-at-tue>
- Master S&C: <https://www.tue.nl/en/education/graduate-school> (info on Master's program, curriculum, interviews with students and alumni)

## Questions:

- Content program: [me.studyinformation@tue.nl](mailto:me.studyinformation@tue.nl)