

Phys 122-TT
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Title: Fundamentals of Physics II

Lecture Tu, Th 12:30-1:45 PM, Phys 1410

0201 W 9	Phys 4220
0202 M 10	Phys 1219
0203 Th 8	Phys 1219
0204 W 2	Chm 1224

Textbook: Serway/Faughn
College Physics 7th Edition
Thomson Brooks/Cole

Introduction

Welcome to Phys 122. Most of you have recently “endured” the first semester of a course on trying to understand the fundamental properties of the observable part of our universe by using the methods of Physics. As always, the attempt is to develop the simplest and most economical description. Consequently, the results are SIMPLE but not necessarily easy to comprehend.

By and large, Phys 121 dealt with natural phenomena pertaining to motion of particles and rigid bodies supplemented by a brief discussion of Thermodynamics and linear harmonic (mechanical) oscillators. The ensuing set of studies will focus on waves: “A Sound and Light Show.” We interact with our surroundings using our ears and eyes. Surely, you would agree that it would be fruitful to understand the agencies which mediate these interactions.

Hopefully, at the end of this two semester experience we will develop a good feel for the two essential ingredients of our observable universe – Matter and Radiation.

Math Background

As in Phys 121 we will not use calculus. However, algebra and trigonometry are used throughout. Also, do review the essentials of vector algebra. If you need help, please get it as soon as possible. As described below, I am always available. Never hesitate to let me know if you are experiencing difficulties.

Textbook/Additional Material (~150 pages)

The Textbook has too much material. However, in spite of exploring several alternatives, I have yet to find a book which focuses only on our requirement. Consequently, we will stray from the book fairly often. I shall make it a point to place notes online to supplement the text. Nearly 150 pages will be made available. Also, if you miss a class, I invite you to borrow my class notes. **IT IS CRUCIAL TO REMEMBER THAT THE EXAMS ARE BASED ON LECTURE CONTENT SO IF YOU DO NOT STUDY THE ADDITIONAL MATERIAL YOU WILL BE AT A SERIOUS DISADVANTAGE.** [I am also giving you a copy of the notes from Phys121]

Test Questions/ Review

About two weeks prior to every exam, a set of test questions will be posted online. The idea is that you should have enough time to formulate your answers and I will discuss the same in a review session which is typically scheduled for the evening of Tuesday prior to the “hourly”. The review for the final exam will be scheduled later.

Homework

Weekly homework problems are listed on the attached schedule. Do them. Although we will not collect and grade your homework, there will be several quizzes using homework problems directly. Also, the hourly examinations will have somewhat similar problems. The bottom line is: if you cannot do the homework, you cannot expect a good grade.

Solutions

Solutions will be posted each week in glass cases outside the lecture halls as well as online at... And, if permitted, in the Engineering Library in the Math Bldg.

Tests

- a) There will be three (3) examinations, each lasting a full period. Dates are in the attached schedule.
- b) Ten (10) 10-minute quizzes during class (Q on schedule)
- c) Avoid make-ups/No make-ups will be given for Quizzes.
- d) The final exam is scheduled for Fri. Dec. 19, 2008 from 1:30-3:30 PM
You cannot pass the course without taking the final.

Laboratory

The experiments in the laboratory are an integral part of this course. Ten (10) experiments are scheduled. All must be done. You cannot pass this course unless you do every experiment, and submit a report.

Grading

Your grade is figured out as follows:

Best 8 of 10 Quizzes	100
Lab Reports	100
Best 2 of 3 “hourlies”	200
Final Exam	200
*Discussion	≤ 50 (Bonus)

*Note: You earn 50 points if you have 5 visits prior to every exam and you have a perfect score on every exam $(100+100+100+200)/10!$

Extra Help

- a) The instructor is available for discussion at all times. I am usually in my office (Z-2331) or laboratory (Z-2221) from about 9:30 AM to about 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Feel free to walk in. If you desire an especially extended visit, call 56144 or 56159 to ensure that I have a time slot free. If you have any difficulty at all, never hesitate to drop by. Also I keep a record of your visits. You can earn up to 50 points (or 10 percent of your earned grade points) by showing up with questions. You may call me at home (301-345-5308) but no later than 10 PM.
- b) T.A.'s will post their office hours.
- c) Slawsky Clinic is an excellent (free) tutoring service. It is staffed by very dedicated physicists who can help improve your problem solving skills. Do take advantage of this highly acclaimed feature of the physics department.

Date		Subject(Chapter)	Schedule(Tu/Th)	Problems
<u>Sept</u>				
wk1	Tu 2 Th 4	Review/Waves(13) Waves(13/14)		Diagnostec,13-38,41,46 13--48,51,53,60,64,65
wk2	Tu 9 Th 11(Q)	Sound(14) Sound(14)		14--6,7,12,17,19,21 14--27,30,39,46,49,53
wk3	Tu 16 Th 18(Q)	Coulomb \underline{E} (15) Coulomb \underline{E} (15)		15--3,6,13,15,19,23 15--25,27,28,33,36
wk4	Tu 23 Th 25(Q)	Gauss' law(15) El. Energy(16)		15--38,40,43,45,50,57 16--3,9,11,15,19,27
<u>Sept/Oct</u>				
wk5	Tu 30 Th 2	Capacitance(16) Exam I		16--31,37,44,50,54,57
wk6	Tu 7 Th 9(Q)	Current(17) Current(17)/DC Circuits(18)		17--1,5,15,19,21,29 17--33,39,45,52, 18-1,5
wk7	Tu 14 Th 16(Q)	DC Circuits(18) \underline{B} -field(19)		18--7,9,13,21,33,40 19--2,9,13,21,23,25
wk8	Tu 21 Th 23(Q)	\underline{B} -field(19) Induction(20)		19--29,33,37,41,49,56 20--7,10,17,21,25,30
wk9	Tu 28 Th 30(Q)	Non-Coulomb \underline{E} (20) AC Circuits(21)		20--33,39,45,46,49,51 21--3,7,11,15,19,21
<u>Nov</u>				
wk10	Tu 4 Th 6	AC Circuits(21), Maxwell's Eq'ns Exam II		21--23,31,34,42,44
wk11	Tu 11 Th 13(Q)	Maxwell's Eq'ns(21) Em Waves(21)/Optics(22)		21--47,48,49,50,52,54 21--63/22--2,5,6,9,17
wk12	Tu 18 Th 20(Q)	Geom Optics Mirrors		22--19,24,32,37,38,41 23--3,5,9,11,13,15
wk13	Tu 25 Th 27	Lenses/Wave Optics Thanksgiving		23--19,23,25,27,31,35
<u>Dec</u>				
wk14	Tu 2 Th 4	Wave Optics Exam III		24--2,5,10,15,18
wk15	Tu 9 Th 11	Diffraction Review		24--21,23,30,34

FINAL EXAM: Fri, Dec 19, 1:30--3:30 pm