

PHYC50H

Electromagnetic Theory

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Solving Poisson and Laplace equations via method of images and separation of variables, multipole expansion for electrostatics, atomic dipoles and polarizability, polarization in dielectrics, Ampere and Biot-Savart laws, multipole expansion in magnetostatics, magnetic dipoles, magnetization in matter, Maxwells equations in matter.

LECTURES:

Mondays 3pm-4pm in room AA204 and Wednesdays 10am-11am in room AA205.

TUTORIALS:

Tutorials are 50 minutes in duration, and will be held every Tuesday starting at 1710 from September 6th. Tutorials will be held in room AA204.

Tutorial attendance is expected. In addition to problem solving examples that will support the lecture material, tutorials will feature quizzes that contribute to the final grade.

TEXTBOOK: D. J. Griffiths, *Introduction to Electrodynamics*, 4th/3rd editions (Prentice Hall).

References:

Edward M. Purcell, *Electricity and Magnetism*, Second Edition (McGraw-Hill) (different approach than Griffiths);

H.M. Schey, *Div, Grad, Curl and All That*, (Norton) (covers vector calculus in the context of electromagnetism);

M.R. Spiegel, *Schaum's Outline Series Theory and Problems of Advanced Calculus*, (McGraw-Hill).

E-Mail: I will only respond to e-mails sent from a recognized University of Toronto address. Please put PHYC50 in the subject line of any course-related e-mails. I will endeavour to reply as quickly as possible to your e-mails. However, I cannot promise that I will do so outside of normal working hours (Monday-Friday 9-5). Please include your name and student number in any communications. I will not respond to emails if I cannot tell who they are from. Please also note that I will NOT accept assignments via e-mail.

OFFICE HOURS:

I will be available to answer questions on a drop in basis on Wednesdays between 11:30 and 12:30 in Room SW506H. If you are unable to attend these hours for timetable reasons you may arrange an appointment by e-mail. General questions regarding the lecture material will also be addressed in the Tuesday tutorial.

LECTURE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 1

Laplace's equation in 1, 2 and 3D (3.1.1-3.1.4)

SEPTEMBER 7

Boundary Conditions, Uniqueness and Method of Images (3.1.5-3.2.3)

SEPTEMBER 12 and SEPTEMBER 14

Separation of Variables (Cartesian) (3.3.1)

Separation of Variables (Spherical) (3.3.2)

SEPTEMBER 19 and SEPTEMBER 21

Multipole Expansions (3.4.1-3.4.2)

Electric Field of a Dipole (3.4.2-3.4.4)

SEPTEMBER 26 and SEPTEMBER 28

Polarization, Dielectrics(4.1.1-4.2.1)

Bound Charges (4.2.1-4.2.2)

OCTOBER 3 and OCTOBER 5

The Electric Displacement (4.2.3-4.4.1)

Linear Dielectrics (4.2.3-4.4.1)

OCTOBER 10 and OCTOBER 12

Thanksgiving

Study Break

OCTOBER 17 and OCTOBER 19
Boundary Value Problems (4.4.2-4.4.3)
Energy and Forces (4.4.4)

OCTOBER 24 and OCTOBER 26
Multipole Expansion of the Magnetic Vector Potential (5.4.3)
Torques and Forces on Magnetic Dipoles (6.1.1-6.1.2,6.1.4)

OCTOBER 31 and NOVEMBER 2
Bound Currents (6.2.1-6.2.3)
Ampere's Law in Magnetized Materials (6.3.1-6.3.3)

NOVEMBER 7 and NOVEMBER 9
Linear and non-Linear Media (6.4.1-6.4.2)
Electromotive Force and Induction (7.1.1-7.2.3)

NOVEMBER 14 and NOVEMBER 16
Inductance and Maxwell's Equations (7.2.3-7.3.6)
Charge and Energy, Poynting's Theorem (8.1.1-8.1.2)

NOVEMBER 21 and NOVEMBER 23
Momentum, Maxwell's Stress Tensor (8.1.2-8.2.2)
Angular Momentum (8.2.3-8.2.4)

NOVEMBER 28 and NOVEMBER 30
Additional Material and Review Problems

ASSESSMENT:

A COMPREHENSIVE FINAL EXAM (3 hrs): 50%

MIDTERM TEST (90 minutes): 22%

4 ASSIGNMENTS (tutorial and take home work): 16% in total

3 TUTORIAL PRACTICALS/QUIZZES: 12% in total

TESTS AND EXAM:

Both the midterm and final exam will draw from lecture and tutorial materials. This could include material presented in the lectures or tutorial material that is not covered in the text. The chapters from the text that *support* the lecture material presented each week are indicated in the schedule above.

The final exam will cover all material.

NOTES:

Due dates and times will appear on the assignment handouts. Late assignments will be penalized by 50% per day. Assignments must be handed in at the tutorial on the day they are due. Assignments handed in later on the same day will be considered 1 day late. Anything received after 6pm the day after the tutorial is 2 days late and will not be accepted.

I expect that, in the course of doing your assignments, you will discuss them with your classmates at some level. This is fine, and a normal part of the study process. What you must not do, is copy another student's work. It is fine to discuss the problems, but when it comes to actually writing out your solutions you should do this by yourself. To copy answers from someone else is an academic offense. Plagiarism will not be tolerated. Students are expected to submit their own work for grading. Should you choose to disregard this advice, be aware that academic offenses will be turned over to the university for the determination of an appropriate penalty. I will not enjoy the process anymore than you so please don't put it to the test.

For all graded problems, in addition to any mathematical work, I expect clear written statements at each stage in the solution. Full marks will not be awarded without this. Another problem that sometimes arises is that of legibility. It takes a lot of time and effort to grade problem sets and it is very frustrating for the marker if assignments are messy and difficult to read. You will likely be more successful on your problem sets if you do what you can to not frustrate the marker. Please put some effort into ensuring that your work is clearly written and please staple the pages of your assignments together. Penalties may be assigned to assignments with pages that are not stapled together.