PHYS346: Electricity and Magnetism II Spring 2009

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Goals of the course:

The primary aim of this course is to provide students with a working knowledge of the concepts of electromagnetism and to prepare them for graduate school or industry. This course will concentrate on magnetostatics, electrodynamics, and electromagnetic waves and wave theory. Students will be able to determine the magnetic field for a number of current distributions using a variety of techniques. Students will be introduced to the vector potential as well as its properties. In addition, Maxwell's equations will be developed and used to solve a number of problems. Magnetic materials will also be discussed. In the laboratory portion of the course, the students will learn and use a variety of experimental techniques that will complement the theoretical ideas introduced throughout the course.

Course Text: Introduction to Electrodynamics, 3rd ed., David J. Griffiths.

Course Content and Schedule of Topics:

Topic	Approximate Time Span	Readings
1. Course introduction and review of Physics 111-112	1 day	PHYS112 notes
a. Force on a moving charge		Sections 5.1, 5.2
b. Biot Savart law		
c. Flux		
d. Hall Effect		
2. B field properties	1 week	Sections 5.1, 5.2
3. Vector potential A and its properties		Section 5.4
4. Ampere's circuital law	1 week	Section 5.3
a. Solenoid		
b. Current sheets		
c. Boundary Conditions		
5. The magnetic dipole	1 week	Section 5.4
6. Faraday's law of induction	1 week	Chapter 7
7. Energy, torque, and magnetic pressure	1 week	
8. Inductance		Section 7.2
a. Mutual and self		
b. Circuit examples		
9. Magnetic materials	1 week	Section 6.1
10. Electromagnetic waves	5 weeks	Sections 7.3, 8.2
a. Maxwell's equations		Chapter 9
b. Brief review of waves		
c. Poynting vector		
 d. Plane EM waves in free space 		
 e. Applications of plane wave results 		
f. TEM waves		
11. Complex plane waves	1 week	
12. Retarded potential	1 week	Chapter 10
13. Electric dipole radiation	1 week	Chapter 11

Grading Policy:

A = 90%-100%

B = 80% - 89%

C = 70%-79%

D = 60%-69%

F = below 60%

Assessment:	% Weight
Homework Problems	30
Labs	30
Quizzes and Exams	20
Final Exam	20

Homework Problems:

As illustrated above, the problem sets constitute a major portion of your grade. Your work on these problem sets will be bound by the Moravian College Policy on Academic Honesty. The due dates for each assignment will be stated when the assignment is handed out. Problem sets handed in prior to the due date will receive no deduction for tardiness. There will be a 50% deduction for tardy work up until solutions to the homework are posted. Work submitted after that time will receive a zero.

Labs:

We will meet every week for lab, although we will probably not do a lab every week. Expect to perform and write up a lab every two weeks. I will brief the entire class on the weekly lab that you may perform as a group or individually at your leisure. In addition, I will also utilize the lab period to review problem sets and give quizzes and exams.

Quizzes and Exams:

Approximately every two weeks a quiz or exam of several problems will be given at the beginning of the laboratory period.

Final comprehensive exam:

An exam on all material covered during the semester.

Attendance Policy:

Students are expected to come to class. To that end, I will take attendance, and reserve the right to raise/lower your grade based on your attendance.

Good luck in the coming year. Should you have any comments about the class during the semester, please feel free to discuss them with me, I will welcome any suggestions for improving the course. Since I am looking for you to do your best work, you should demand excellence from me as well.

Subject to revision