PHY122 — Electricity and Magnetism September 3rd, 2014

Introduction to the course

Goals of the course

- PHY122 is a survey course for physics and engineering majors
- Principles of electromagnetism and their importance in our world
- ► Topics to be covered:
 - Electric fields and potentials, conductivity, dipoles, capacitors, RC circuits, magnetic fields, magnetic materials, induction, transformers, generators, LRC circuits, AC circuits, Maxwell equations, electromagnetic waves, relativity...
- Level: calculus-based introductory university level
- Quantitative course: individual work and exams will focus on problem solving, very similar to PHY121
- Pre-requisites:
 - PHY101: Basic Math Assessment → PHY121
 - MATH143 or 162 or equivalent

Challenges of the course

- Nearly zero direct experience with E&M in everyday life
 - For scientists and engineers, though, E&M is everywhere
- ► A lot of NEW concepts
 - Each with different consequences
 - Concepts are interrelated
 - Problems in textbook and homework, workshops, examples in lecture clarify these
- PHY122 is much harder than PHY121 in math!
 - Math is the language of physics, and we will use it!
 - Vectors: components, dot and vector products
 - Multivariate calculus: line, surface integrals, gradients
 - Symmetries: multivariate problems → one variable

Why should you be here?

- Pretty much every device we use these days is electric/electronic
 - Radio, communications, wireless, antennas
 - Circuits, heat dissipation, electric consumption
 - Computing, faster chips, robotics, actuators
 - Biomedicine, chemical bonds, imaging
 - Energy: transportation, alternative sources, engines
- ➤ You have studied gravity (and mechanics), now it's turn to study the other main force in Nature that is relevant to everyday life
- A basic understanding of the principles of E&M is a necessary tool for engineers and scientists
- Furthermore, the capability to determine whether solutions to problems make sense is a skill that you all need to have

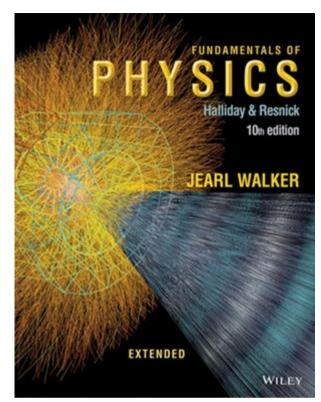


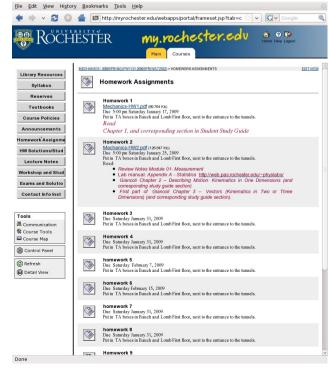
Who we are

- Prof. Aran Garcia-Bellido
 - Particle Physicist: research at Fermilab and CERN
 - M.Sc. Madrid (1999), PhD Royal Holloway University of London (2002), postdoc with U. of Washington, joined UR faculty in 2008
 - B&L 406, (585) 276 3422, aran@pas.rochester.edu
 - Office hours: Mon, 3-4 pm & Wed, 3.30-5 pm
 - For any registration issues: changes in workshop, enrollment, etc... contact Janet Fogg (B&L 211, Mon-Fri 12:30-2:00pm)
- <u>Teaching Assistants:</u> Christopher Mullarkey, Gonzalo Diaz, Jonathan Curtis, Christina Loniewski, James Maslek, Mark Christman, Molly Finn, John Kauppi
- SPS tutoring: 7-9pm in POA library, begins Sep 22
- Lab coordinator:
 - physlabs.em@pas.rochester.edu
 - They operate separately from me, so write to them directly if you have any questions/needs

Course info

- ► Textbook: "Fundamentals of Physics" 10th edition, Halliday, Resnick, Walker (Wiley 2014), chapters 21-41
 - ISBN: 9781118894095 (softcover)
 - Use textbook to read material and as source of additional problems, quizzes
 - Not needed for homework or workshops
 - Alternatively: Giancoli, "Physics for Scientists and Engineers", 4th edition (vol. 2)
- We will use BlackBoard for distributing course materials, making announcements, etc...
- Info will be updated regularly: check the Syllabus/Calendar tab!
- Discussion board is available: ask your questions there so that others benefit as well PHY122





Components 1: Lectures

- Focus on the concepts and interconnections of the material
- No substitute for reading the textbook!
- Read the chapter before the lecture: attempt a few conceptual questions, think about the basics
- Ask questions during lecture
- Notes will be available just after each lecture
- Will use lab demos, quizzes and conceptual questions during the lecture
 - We will use the CPS Pulse Personal Response System (PRS) for in-class quizzes and concept tests
 - Make sure you acquire one, and participate in class
 - It is crucial that you enter your student ID:
 - Click Menu > cycle to "Student ID" > press enter
 - Erase current ID > enter yours > press enter
 - Prompt to reenter > enter again > press enter



Components 2&3: workshops & problems

Workshops:

- Use study modules and solve problems to fix the ideas: learn from fellow students
- Come prepared, ask the TAs, discuss amongst you, make sure you understand steps
- Will cover previous and current week lectures
- Attendance to workshop correlates with better grades: do participate!



Homework problems:

- Absolutely critical for your survival in this course
- Struggle with them and make sure you understand the solutions and solving techniques to do well in this course
- Due each Saturday by 5pm: First is due September 13th!
- Solutions will be posted the following days
- Put in TA boxes in B&L first floor, next to the entrance to the tunnels

Components 4: labs

- Give you a hands-on experience with making measurements and interpreting data
- They are not run by us, but are required to get a grade in this course
- You have to do all 5 labs and hand in the reports
- Print out lab manual in advance, read it and complete pre-lab homework: you will hand it in just before the lab starts
- You will be contacted with more specific info by the lab instructors: begin on September 9th
- Information, manuals, etc... at http://www.pas.rochester.edu/~physlabs

Grading

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				PRS quizzes	
1	0%	22%	22%	15%	41%
2	22%	0%	22%	15%	41%
3	22%	22%	0%	15%	41%

- Three midterm exams (Oct 2, Oct 28, Nov 17 at 8 am, Hubbell Auditorium) and the final (Dec ?? Hubbell Auditorium)
- The lowest exam grade (or a missed exam) will be dropped: sets the scheme for your final grade: keep scheme with highest value
- ► Homework problems (8%), lab grades (including prelabs, 1%), workshop attendance (5%) and PRS quizzes (1%) will weigh 15% of your final score
- Completed labs are a requirement: no grade without them
- Only one problem (chosen at random) from the homework problems will be graded each week, the rest will be graded for effort
- The two lowest homework problem sets will not be counted
- Workshop attendance is counted (but you can miss a couple)
- No grading on a curve, letter grade will be assigned at the end of course

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Final advice

- How to succeed in PHY122:
 - Do required reading before class: summary, concepts, tests
 - Do the homework problems (and understand the solutions)
 - Attend the workshops and participate in them: do more problems
 - Keep up with the class: ask questions, form a study group,...
- We are here to help you learn this material, but it is up to you to actually master it!
- Ask questions during class!
- Ask any of us for help as soon as you don't understand something (come to office hours, discussion board, after class, email)
- We require handing in of the problem sets and attendance to the workshops to encourage keeping up
- Do not fall behind! Before you do, ask for help!
- Physics does not cram easily!
- Make sure you know how to solve problems before the exam