

Lectures on Kinetic Theory and Magnetohydrodynamics of Plasmas

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Below I give references to some relevant bits of various books and online lecture notes. Having access to these materials is not essential for being able to follow these lectures, but reading (these or other) books above and beyond your lecturer's notes is essential for you to be able to claim that you have received an education.

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1. The Language of the Game

1.1. *What is an ODE?*

1.2. *Integral Curves and the Cauchy problems*

1.2.1. *First Subsubsec*

1.3. *Existence and uniqueness*

2. Another Section

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First Uniqueness Theorem. a fat cat just a fat cat to be a fat cat
just eat like a fat cat

3. Yet Another Section

Problem 12.2. A function fat kill a cat to be fat

Proof. It begins with a knife to kill a cat ■

Proposition 12.2.4. Shitto a schizo frenzy

4. Final Section

Example 4.1 Hello con dog

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