PHY6347
Electromagnetic Theory II

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Overview

PHY 6347 is the second semester of the graduate core sequence in Electromagnetism. The objectives of the course are (i) to study electrodynamics at a theoretically sophisticated level; (ii) to develop mathematical techniques useful for solving problems in E&M as well as other areas of physics; (iii) to develop problem solving skills; (iv) to prepare the student (if necessary) for the preliminary exam. Topics to be covered include:

- Time-dependent Maxwell equations: conservation laws, energy density, energy flux (Poynting vector), momentum density, momentum flux (Maxwell stress tensor)
- Plane waves, propagation and dispersion
- Confined geometries: waveguides, cavities, dielectric waveguides/fibers, losses and attenuation
- Radiation from harmonic sources: dipole and higher multipoles, linear antenna, vector spherical harmonic expansion
- Scattering and diffraction
- Special relativity: Lorentz transformations, space-time vectors and tensors, proper time, velocity and acceleration as 4-vectors, energy-momentum, covariant formulation of electromagnetism
- Radiation from accelerated charges; Cherenkov and synchrotron radiation, radiation losses

Coursework

Weekly homework (50% of the grade), due every Friday by 5 p.m.

Two exams (25% each)

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Materials

- **Main text:** A. Zangwill, Modern Electrodynamics
- **Supplemental texts:** J. D. Jackson, Classical Electrodynamics, 3rd ed
- L. D. Landau and E. M. Lifshitz, The Classical Theory of Fields (Landau Course of Theoretical Physics, v.2)
- L. D. Landau and E. M. Lifshitz, Electrodynamics of Continuous Media (Landau Course of Theoretical Physics, v.8)

Important dates

No classes:
- January 8 and 10 (Maglab Winter Theory School)
- January 20 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
- March 2-6 (UF Spring break)

Exams

1. February 25
2. TBA