

# Electrodynamics I

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## Goals of Course

1. Analyze and apply electric and magnetic field concepts. What are sources of static EM fields? How do boundaries affect the physics? How do different sources and geometries produce different field configurations? What energies are involved? How do we analyze magnetostatics? How is energy propagated in EM waves? Mostly for classical fields, but quantization of EM fields may be mentioned.
2. Learn and use advanced mathematical physics techniques. These are various topics that might be covered in a Math Methods course, having to do with solving the famous equations used in physics (Laplace, Poisson, wave equation, Green's functions, orthogonal functions, etc.)

## Concepts

1. Static fields, boundary value problems.
2. Effects of materials, polarizations.
3. Electromagnetic energy, energy conservation.
4. Dynamics: propagating waves, dispersion.
5. Dynamics: interactions of fields and charges.

## Techniques

1. Laplace Eq., images, orthog. functions.
2. Poisson equation, Green functions.
3. Vector, tensor, differential calculus.
4. Complex variables (2D statics & dispersion.)
5. Generating functions, eigenfunctions.

## Importance of Electrodynamics

Electromagnetic effects occur in nearly all natural phenomena, although there may not always be obvious macroscopic effects. Where macroscopically observable effects occur, the idea of fields is extremely useful and conceptually necessary to describe the situation. Knowledge of the physics and math used for EM fields can be generalized to gravity and other fields.

ED theory is the most well-known example of a classical theory that is conceptually unified by the field concept. Furthermore, it has an essential relevance to relativity. The mathematical techniques used are applicable to many other problems, especially quantum mechanics. Finally, an understanding of ED at the classical level is the basis for following any quantum field theories.

## Grading and Requirements

Grades will be recorded in K-State Online Canvas, and determined as follows:

<u>Task:</u>	<u>Points:</u>	<u>Grading scale:</u>
a) Exam 1, Chs. 1, 2	250	A: 1000–880
b) Exam 2, Chs. 3, 4, 5	250	B: 880–760
c) Exam 3, Chs. 6, 7, 8	250	C: 760–640
d) Homework+Presentations	250	D: 640–520

### **Homework**

There will be around 12 homework assignments, intended for applying your understanding of the topics. You can obtain credit for doing the HW by presenting solutions orally and also handing in your written solution, with each problem worth up to 50 points. I hope everyone could present at least four during the semester; the total HW scores will be scaled to 250 points. Concise and clear explanations are expected; avoid excessive algebra or other tedious details.

### **Lecture Notes**

See the physics web pages for the course (www: <http://www.phys.ksu.edu/personal/wysin/ED-I>) for lecture notes based on my interpretation of the writings in the Jackson text.

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## Course Schedule

The textbook for the course is *Classical Electrodynamics*, by J. D. Jackson, (3<sup>rd</sup> ed., SI units, 1998. or 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., CGS units, 1975). The tentative schedule is as follows:

<u>Lecture/Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Sections</u>
1. 8-25	Limits of classical ED, introduction	I.1-I.6
2. 8-27	Units, electrostatics in vacuum	1.1-1.6
3. 9-1	Poisson and Laplace equations, energy	1.7,1.11
4. 9-3	Green's theorem, boundary problems	1.8-1.10, 1.12-1.13
5. 9-8	Method of images; examples	2.1-2.5
6. 9-10	Green function for sphere, separation of variables	2.6,2.7,2.9
7. 9-15	Orthogonal functions, 2D Laplace eq.	2.8,2.11
<b>Friday 9-18</b>	<b>First Exam (closed+open book)</b>	<b>Chs. I, 1, 2</b>
8. 9-17	Spherical coords., Legendre polynomials	3.1-3.2
9. 9-22	Azimuthal symmetry, generating functions	3.3
10. 9-24	Azimuthal dependence, spherical harmonics	3.5,3.6
11. 9-29	Cylindrical coords, Bessel functions	3.7,3.8
12. 10-1	Green function expansions	3.9-3.12
13. 10-6	Multipoles, energy, polarization	4.1-4.3
14. 10-8	Dielectrics, polarizability	4.4-4.6
15. 10-13	Energy in dielectrics, capacitors	4.7
16. 10-15	Magnetostatics, vector potential	5.1-5.5
17. 10-20	Magnetic moments, $\vec{M}$ , $\vec{B}$ , $\vec{H}$	5.6-5.8
18. 10-22	Magnetic boundary problems, surface currents	5.9-5.12
19. 10-27	Faraday's Law, EM energy	5.15-5.16
<b>Friday 10-30</b>	<b>Second Exam (closed+open book)</b>	<b>Chs. 3, 4, 5</b>
20. 10-29	Maxwell's Eqs., Green function for wave eq.	6.1-6.6
21. 11-3	EM field energy, Poynting theorem	6.7-6.9
22. 11-5	Symmetries under transformations	6.10
23. 11-10	Plane waves, polarization	7.1-7.2
24. 11-13	Reflection, refraction at interfaces	7.3-7.4
AA. 11-24,26	<b>Thanksgiving break, no class</b>	
25. 11-17	Dispersion, absorption	7.5,7.6
26. 11-19	Group velocity, waves in conductors	7.8,7.7
27. 12-1	Causality, Kramers-Kronig relations	7.10
28. 12-3	Fields in cylindrical waveguides	8.1-8.3
29. 12-8	Rectangular waveguides, energy flow	8.4-8.5
30. 12-10	Dielectric waveguides (optical fibers)	8.10-8.11
<b>Friday 12-18</b>	<b>2:00-3:50 p.m., Final Exam (closed+open book)</b>	<b>Chs. 6, 7, 8</b>