ENG EC 455: Electromagnetics Systems I  
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Lectures: Tuesday/Thursday, 9:00 – 10:45 AM in PHO 205

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Grading Policy:  
Homework: 20%  
Mid-term exam 1: 25%  
Mid-term exam 2: 25%  
Final exam: 30%  

Midterm Exam (1) on Friday Oct 8.  
Midterm Exam (2) on Friday Nov 12.  
Final Exam (TBA).

Homework will be collected in the class.  
Late homework will not be accepted.

Course Schedule:

1. Sept. 2 Introduction, A preview of the course, units (Chapter 1)

2. Sept. 7 Scalar and Vector, Systems of Coordinates (lecture notes, Chap. 2).

3. Sept. 9 Vector Calculus, time averages (lecture notes, Chap. 3).

5. Sept. 16 Forms of Maxwell’s equations and time-varying potential (9.5 – 9.6), boundary conditions (lecture notes).


7. Sept. 23 EM wave propagation in media, 10.4 – 10.6.

8. Sept. 28 EM wave polarization, Ponting vector and power, 10.7 – 10.8).

9. Sept. 30 Reflection and transmission of plane waves at normal incidence, 10.9, lecture notes.

10. Oct. 5 Reflection and transmission of plane waves at oblique incidence, 10.10, lecture notes.


12. Oct. 8 (Friday) 1st Midterm Exam


15. Oct. 21 Smith charts, 11.5.


17. Oct. 28 Impedance matching, 11.6 – 11.8.

18. Nov. 2 Parallel-plate waveguides, lecture notes.


20. Nov. 9 TM and TE modes, 12.3 – 12.4.

21. Nov. 11 Wave propagation in the guides, 12.5, lecture notes

22. Nov. 12 (Friday) 2nd Midterm Exam
23. Nov. 16 Power transmission and attenuation, 12.6.


27. Dec. 2 Antenna arrays, 13.7.

28. Dec. 5 Antenna arrays, lecture notes, and effective area and backscatter cross section, radars, 13.8.

29. Dec. 7 Radar equation, 13.9; Review for the Final Exam

30. Final Exam (TBA).

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In this class you may use any textbooks or web sources when completing your homework, and/or one human collaborator (from class) per homework, subject to the following strictly enforced conditions:

- You must clearly acknowledge all your sources (including your collaborators) on the top of your homework.
· You must write all answers in your own words (although Java code may be shared with your collaborator)

· You must be able to fully explain your answers upon demand.

· You may not use any human resource outside of class (including web-based help services, outside tutors, etc.) in doing your homeworks or project. Obviously, you may not collaborate with anyone on exams.

Failure to meet any of the above conditions could constitute plagiarism and will be considered cheating in this class.