ME 520, Section A1

Acoustics I

FALL 2018 INFO SHEET

CLASS: T-Th 1:30 – 3:15, PSY B50 :

TEXT: Fundamentals of Physical Acoustics, Blackstock, 1st edition,

Wiley, 2000, ISBN 9780471319795

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GRADING: 35% (Homework)

35% (Quizams) 30% Final Exam

HOMEWORK: Homework assignments are given out weekly with a few

exceptions. They are due at the BEGINNING of class on the due

date listed. LATE HOMEWORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

unless circumstances merit the exception.

EXAMS: Over the course of the semester, I will give several "quizams":

more than a quiz, less than an exam. The goal is to have you

keep up and immersed in the subject, rather than have

spasmodic cramming. I will give a comprehensive final exam that will likely be a take-home exam due when the final is scheduled. "Make-up" exams will rarely be given, and never in

the case of prior knowledge of a time conflict (you must arrange to take the test before you are away). A "make-up" quiz will be different from the quiz given in the class, and may

be viva.

DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE SCHEDULE TRIPS OR FLIGHTS HOME UNTIL AFTER THE OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY

EXAM PERIOD.

DROP DATES: Pay attention to the University's schedule of drop dates. You

cannot drop this course after the last "W" date because of an impending low grade – you will receive your current grade if you drop after the official W date. "Incomplete" grades are reserved for the most extreme of circumstances, and are a NEGOTIATED CONTRACT between the student and myself.

PREREQUISITES: ENGME302, ENGME303, ENGME304 & ENGME566, their

equivalent or consent of instructor. You need dynamics, fluids,

thermodynamics, complex variables and PDE's.

COLLABORATION: Homework: Homework is the only collaborative activity in

ME520. That being said, you must do your own work, and turn in your own work. However, you are encouraged to consult and collaborate with classmates on general concepts and even specific approaches. (I believe recent research refers to this unfortunately as "horizontal learning" – I prefer "peer-to-peer learning", or for those of you over 21, "beer-to-beer learning").

Exams and quizzes: Done individually.

ME520, Section A1, FALL 2018 Syllabus by class

Class	DATES	LECTURE TOPIC	HOMEWORK
1	9/4	Introduction and admin; Chapter	HW1 (1.B-1.C)
		1:1.A what's a wave?; 1.B wave	assigned:
		equation, general solutions	
2	9/6	Chapter 1; 1.B: general solutions,	
		travelling waves; characteristics;	
		plane travelling waves; initial	
		condition and forced solution	
		methods; 1.C: Derivation of the	
		wave equation (Electrical and string)	
3	9/11	Chapter 1; 1.C. Derive the fluid	
		acoustic wave equation;	
		characteristic (specific) impedance	
4	9/13	Chapter 1; 1.C. finish plane wave	
		impedance; 1.D. vector (1D) Euler	
		equation; introduce and derive wave	
		equation for velocity potential;	
		spherical and cylindrical coords	
		(radial only); spherical spreading	
5	9/18	Chapter 1; 1.D. pulsating sphere	HW1 due;
		example, complex p, u, Z. 1.E. signals,	HW2 (1.D-1.E)
		levels, impedance, intensity and	assigned:
		power	
6	9/20	Chapter 3; 3.A – 3.B: Reflection and	
		Transmission at plane interface	
7	9/25	Chapter 3; Finish 3.B, rigid and	HW2 due;
		pressure release; 3.C – 3.D: Examples	
		of reflection/transmission	
8	9/27	Quizam 1 (Chapter 1)	HW3 (3.A- 3.D)
			assigned:
9	10/2	Finish 3.D with bursting balloon and	
	-	converging spherical shock example;	
	10/9	NO CLASS MONDAY SCHEDULE	
10	10/11	Chapter 4; 4.A - 4.B.1 (complex)	
		Termination, single impedance	
		termination, pressure release	
11	10/16	Chapter 4; 4.B.1 derive U, 4.B.2-4 –	HW3 due;
	,	4.F:	
12	10/18	Quizam 2 (Chapter 3)1.5 hours;	HW4 (4.A) assigned:
	,		HW4 4B assigned:
13	10/23	impedance tube lab	HW4 4B: imp tube
14	10/25	Chapter 4; 4.C lumped elements:	•
	'	4.C.1- 4.C.3	

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15	10/30	Chapter 4; 4.C lumped elements:	HW4 due; HW5 (4C)
		4.C.4- 4.C.5 – Helmholtz demo	assigned:
16	11/1	Quizam 3 (Chapter 4A&B only); no	
		lecture Chapter 4;	
17	11/6	4.c.6, 4.D.1 side branch, filter; 4.D.2	HW 5 (4C) due;
		probe tip mic; 4.E.1 Examples, three-	HW6 (4D-4E)
		medium problem, constant S	assigned:
18	11/8	Chapter 4; 4.F lumped wall; 4.E.2	
		varying cross-section	
19	11/13	Chapter 5; 5.A oblique; 5.B.1 2-fluid	HW6 due;
		plane wave; 5.B.2, perfect T, TIR,	
		grazing incidence; FTIR	
20	11/15	Quizam 4 (Chapter 4.C thru 4.E)	HW7 (CH5) assigned:
21	11/20	Chapter 6; <skip 6.a,="" 6.b,=""></skip>	, , ,
	,	6.C normal modes, Cartesian, cubic	
		cell example	
	11/22	THANKSGIVING BREAK	
22	11/27	Acoustic levitation, demo	HW7 due;
	,		HW8 (CH 6) assigned:
23	11/29	Chapter 6; 6.D.1 – 6.D.4, rectangular	
		waveguide	
24	12/4	Chapter 7; 7.A Webster; 7.B	HW8 due
	,	Exponential horn; 7.C impedance,	
		transmission, etc	
25	12/6	Chapter 8; 8A static properties	
	,	atmosphere and ocean; 8B vertical	
		propagation; 8C horizontal	
		propagation, ray theory, Pekeris	
		wave guide	
26	12/11	Selected Topic 1	LAST DAY OF
	'	1	CLASSES
	Dec 14-	FINAL EXAM	
	21 (TBD)		
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