

JOHN JAY COLLEGE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE
The City University of New York
GENERAL PHYSICS II (PHY 204) SYLLABUS

***** Overview for both LECTURE and LAB Curricula *****

Summer Semester, 2013

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May 29	First Principles: 1. Particles & Information 2. Hooke's Law Review		Welcome (Back): UnThingy Things	$F = -kx$
May 29	Simple Harmonic Motion: Homogeneity of Time	HRW: Chapter 15	1. Complete Review Problem #1 (on ChalkBoard): A Thing On A Spring 2. page 405: Problem 9. PLUS: "Assume the mass of this oscillator is 30 kg. If an ideal spring is causing the simple harmonic oscillation, find the 'K' (force constant) for that spring." 3. page 406: Problem 29. 4. page 406: Problem 31.	
June 3	Differential Equation: A General Solution	Chapter 16	Oscillations & Waves	
June 3	A Uniformly Dense Sphere: A Particular Solution		p. 468: Problem 1, p. 469: Problem 21, p. 470: Problem 27, p. 471: Problem 39, p. 471: Problem 55.	

June 5	The Wave Equation: Derivation & Implication		Review for QUIZ <u>Quest from P204 Summer 2011</u>	
June 5	Wave Speed			
June 10	QUEST		QUEST 1) Derive the Wave Equation from first principles: You will be given a blank sheet of paper and asked to reproduce the derivation found on pp. 423-424 of <i>HRW</i> . 2) You will be asked to solve exactly one multi-part problem regarding oscillations and waves. It will sharply resemble one h.w. problem that we solved in class; only the numbers and similarly small details will be changed to protect the innocent.	
June 10	The Doppler Effect	Chapter 17	KETCHUP! (No new problems: Catch Up on back assignments and/or sleep.)	
June 12	Interference		KETCHUP!	
June 12	Harmonics	Chapter 21	<u>Electric Charge & Force</u>	
June 17	Standing Waves in 1 and 2 Dimensions	Chapter 22	***	
June 17	Electric Charge & the Electrostatic Force	Chapter 23	p. 598: 3, 9, 19, 31 p. 622: 3	

June 19	Insulators, Conductors & Electrostatic Equilibrium			
June 19	Mid-Term Review	Chapter 24	Gauss's Law	
June 24	Electric Fields	Chapter 25		
June 24	Continuous Charge Distributions: Electric Flux	SOLVE MORE PROBLEMS!	PRACTICE MID-TERM	
June 26	Gauss's Law for Electric Fields	Chapter 26		
June 26	Uncertainty & Findings	Chapter 27	Measuring Along the Path From Pole to Pole	
July 1	Gaussian Symmetries & Distance-Dependences			
July 1	MID-TERM!	Chapter 28	SOLUTIONS to Practice Mid-Term	
July 3	Electric Potential & Capacitance	Chapter 29	Mid-Term EQUATION List	
July 3	Fundamentals of Circuits: Current and Resistance	Chapter 30		
July 8	Devices in Combination & The RC Circuit	Chapters 32, 33	Magnetic Field and Flux	
July 8	The RC Circuit	Chapter 35 (Intentionally out of Sequence)		
July 10	Magnetostatic Directions: Dot Products, Cross Products &	Chapter 35 (Intentionally out of Sequence)		
July 10	The Lorentz Force Law			
			EXTRA CREDIT I:	
			Extra Credit: 1. Assuming the conservation of	

July 15	Magnetostatic Magnitudes: The Biot-Savart Law & Gauss's Law Revisited	Chapter 34 (Intentionally out of Sequence)	<p>electric potential energy, type out a full derivation for the current as a function of time in an RC Circuit.</p> <p>2. Assuming the numerical values presented BELOW for a particular RC Circuit (two resistors in parallel, one in series both with the pair and with the capacitor), find the amount of time for the current to decay to half its original value.</p> <p>Emf = 9 Volts.</p> <p>C = 100 micro-Farads.</p> <p>R1 (in main loop of circuit, series with battery and capacitor) = 400 Ohms.</p> <p>R2 = 200 Ohms,</p> <p>R3 = 300 Ohms.</p> <p>R2 and R3 are both in parallel with each other. But that parallel configuration itself is in series with everything else.</p>	
July 15	Ampere's Law			
July 17	Electromagnetic Induction: Faraday's Law	Chapter 37	<p>p. 884, Problem 7,</p> <p>p. 888, Problem 59,</p> <p>p. 919, Problem 47,</p> <p>p. 920, Problem 59,</p> <p>p. 954, Problem 68</p>	
July 22	Displacement Current		SOLUTIONS TO MIDTERM	
July 24	Electromagnetic Radiation: Principle Begets Postulate		EXTRA CREDIT II DUE BRING PRACTICE EXAM TO CLASS!	
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June 3	Lab #2A. A Thing on a String: The Planar Pendulum, <i>Measurement of Effects;</i> <i>Derivation of Cause</i>	Chapter 16	LAB #1 Write-Up Due: Fully follow the 4-part format explained at the end of the lab assignment. In so doing, make sure to: Provide neat, clear and complete responses to all triple-starred questions. Submit one value for K , two graphs and one final expression for period as a function of mass. Your Methods and Findings section must ultimately explain how you derived spring period as a function of spring mass and how the function makes use of your value for K .	

June 5	<p>Lab #3A.</p> <p>A: Video Creation for the Wave Equation.</p> <p><i>Oscillations in both Time and Space</i></p>			
June 10	<p>Lab #3B.</p> <p>B: Video Creation for the Wave Equation</p> <p><i>Analysis</i></p>		No Write-Up Due	
June 12	<p><i>Rotate Lab Groups:</i></p> <p>Lab #4.</p> <p>Relative to the Medium:</p> <p>Video Simulation Lab for the Doppler Effect</p>	Chapter 17	<p>LAB #2 Write-Up Due:</p> <p>Respond to all Triple-Starred Prompts.</p> <p>Make certain to begin with a clearly labeled DIAGRAM of your set-up and conclude with a FINDINGS paragraph.</p> <p>Make certain that your FINDINGS paragraph makes use of uncertainty analysis to assess the validity of your findings, particularly that for the free-fall acceleration constant.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: There was an error in triple-starred question "k": It said "dependent" where the word should have been "independent". Please see revised lab on web-page for correct version of question.</p>	
June 17	<p>Lab #5.</p> <p>BOARD MEETING Alpha:</p> <p>Electric Charge</p> <p>& Force</p>	Chapters 21, 22	<p>LAB #3 Write-Up Due:</p> <p>Submit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Two Complete and Clear Graphs of your Experimental Results (from 3A) 2) Responses to Any/All Triple-Starred Questions (from either/both) 4) One Complete and Clear Findings Section, following the directions at the end of the lab. Your findings must explain a response to the following question: 	

			How does the function $y = A \cos (wt + kx)$ relate to waves and to the WAVE EQUATION?	
June 19	Lab #6A. Electrostatic Interaction (#26) Video File #1 Video File #2	Chapter 23	Full week provided for Lab #4 write-up. Lab #5 (Board Meeting Alpha) will not require a write-up.	
June 24	Lab #6B Electrostatic Interaction: Vernier Lab #25 Video File Associated File	Chapter 24	LAB #4 Write-Up Due: Respond to all Triple-Starred Prompts. Make certain to begin with a clearly labeled DIAGRAM of the simulated scenario and conclude with a clear and comprehensive FINDINGS section.	
June 26	Lab #6C BOARD MEETING Beta: Analyzing Electric Flux & Closed Integrals	Chapters 25, 26	No write-up required until we complete Lab #6A.	
July 1	<i>Rotate Lab Groups:</i> Lab #7A.	Chapter 27	LAB #6A Write-Up Due: Respond to all Triple-Starred Prompts. A) Make certain to begin with a clearly labeled DIAGRAM of your set-up and conclude with a clear and comprehensive FINDINGS section. B) Make certain to include TWO graphs: 1. R as a function of t and 2. q as a function of t. C) Your write-up MUST include a quantitative UNCERTAINTY ANALYSIS: 1) An average absolute uncertainty (+/-	

	<p>Ohm's Law & Steady Circuits.</p> <p>Building Circuits</p>		<p>.5 units) for each measurement made,</p> <p>2) An average fractional uncertainty for each measurement made (expressed as a percentage or decimal),</p> <p>3) A combined fractional uncertainty for the final result (expressed as a percentage or decimal)</p> <p>4) A combined absolute uncertainty for the final result (expressed in the same units as the final result),</p> <p>5) A brief explanation of what this uncertainty quantity tells us about our finding.</p>	
July 3	<p>Lab #7B.</p> <p>Ohm's Law & Steady Circuits.</p> <p>Making Measurements</p>	Chapters 28, 29	NO Write-Up Due: until both parts of Lab #7 are completed.	
July 8	<p>Lab #8.</p> <p>The RC Circuit</p>	Chapters 32, 33	Write Up for both parts of Lab #7 Due this week.	
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	Lab #10.	Chapter 34	No Write Up Required	

July 15	<i>Electromagnetic Radiation:</i> Light Intensity	(Intentionally out of sequence)	For Board Meetings	
July 17	Lab #11. <i>Electromagnetic Radiation:</i> Light Diffraction		LAB # 10 Write-Up Due: FULL and Customary 4-Part Format (Diagrams, Methods & Findings, etc.) Note: Any triple-starred questions to be answered separately.	
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July 24	EXAM: Practice & Review (For Practice Exam itself, Please see link in row below)	Chapter 37	LAB # 12 Write-Up Due: FULL and Customary 4-Part Format (Diagrams, Methods & Findings, etc.) Note: Any triple-starred questions to be answered separately.	
Thursday, July 25	FINAL EXAM	in Lecture Room	PRACTICE EXAM SOLUTIONS (Solutions Updated/Corrected as of 7/23/12)	Final EQUATION List

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Physics 204: LECTURE	Physics 203: LECTURE	Physics 204: LAB
Skies of Yesternight	Physics 203: LAB	Elements