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Texts: J.R. Taylor, "Classical Mechanics", 2005.

L.D. Landau and E.M. Lifshitz, "Mechanics"

Grading: 20% for each of two one-hour exams, 30% for the final, 30% for the homework/in-class quizzes.

Homework: assigned weekly and collected on a week later. Late homework will not be accepted.

PHY5200 outline

1. Newton's laws of motion; Momentum, angular momentum, energy
2. Projectiles, oscillations, charged particles in EM fields
3. Lagrange's equations
4. Motion in a central field
5. Mechanics in noninertial frames

PHY5210 outline

1. Rotational motion of rigid bodies
2. Coupled oscillators and normal modes
3. Hamiltonian mechanics
4. Collision theory
5. Special relativity
6. Continuum mechanics

Learning outcomes

- Understanding of the principles and concepts of Classical Mechanics.
- Ability to solve problems and apply corresponding techniques for the material outlined above
- Ability to critically read and understand scientific texts related to Classical Mechanics.

Homework:

- Write clearly.
- Explain notations, especially if different from those used in lectures.
- Do *not* refer to the equations in the textbook (you may refer to lectures or to the equation sheet).
- Do not write anything irrelevant.
- If a computer program has been used, attach a print-out.

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