PHYSICS 2B-2 Fall 2015

FUNDAMENTALS OF PHYSICS: E&M, OPTICS & ATOMIC STRUCTURE

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Additional hours can be requested

**Required Textbooks** *CollegePhysics* ,Serway&Vuille ,

V2, 10thedition;

**Prerequisites:** Algebra, Physics 2A

**General remarks**: Physics 2B is the second semester of a one year introductory course in Physics for students having an algebra background. In is designed for Biology, Premedical, Technical, and Liberal Arts majors. It will cover Electricity, Magnetism, Circuits, Lenses, Mirrors, Wave Optics, Atomic Physics, and Nuclear Physics.

**Learning objectives**: After completion of the course students should understand the basic concepts of the topic covered. Students should be able to solve physics problems similar to those in the homework assignments.

**Homework**: Due as indicated on the assignment sheet. **Students are required to register online to access the homework website www.WebAssign.net, and do homework online**. If you buy a new book, it comes with a package called “WebAssignPasscard”. At [**CengageBrain.com**](http://www.cengagebrain.com/shop/index.html?channel=Eloqua&elq_mid=330&elq_cid=&cid=D2SC&elq=7b20c9d8b85945feac0a443e170159d7), students will have the option to rent their textbooks, purchase print textbooks, e-textbooks, or individual e-chapters and audio books. To register, students are required

* Your personal Access Code, contained in the WebAssignPasscard
* The Class key: sjsu 95041767
* The institution: sjsu

For each problem students are allowed 10 submissions. The requests for extension must be sent via my e-mail, not via the webassign. 3 extensions are allowed. If the homework is done after the due date within 2 weeks period, the grade for the homework decreases to 50% of the earned points . There is no possibility to do the homework 2 weeks after the due date.

**Laboratory:** Each student **must** enroll in one section of the Physics 2B Laboratory.  Students must pass the laboratory portion of the course in order to receive a passing grade in Physics 2B. To change the lab section you need to use the same registration procedure as for adding the lecture and the lab (via a website <http://www.physics.sjsu.edu/>).

**Exams:** There will be 2 midterms, and a final exam. There will also be 10-12 unannounced pop quizzes. The exams will include problems, based on the homework assignments and course material. For a midterm exam one one-sided page of formulas can be used. For the final exam one two-sided page (or two pages on one side) of formulas can be used. The copies of practice tests and exam solutions are not allowed during the exams!

**Makeup Exams**: Makeup tests are allowed only if a student has a written medical excuse or a serious reason for missing a test. The request to reschedule an exam must be done before or on the day of the exam.

**Some** course materials, practice exams, and the exams solutions will be posted on my Website, **http://www.sjsu.edu/people/irina.berman/**

**Grading Method:** The homework will have 15%, lab-10%, midterms-40%, and the final exam-35%. The final grade will be based on the following scale (out of total 15+10+40+35=100):

40 55 70 85 100

F D- D D+ C- C C+ B- B B+ A- A A+

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