

Outline for Day 1

- Attendance
- Introductions
- Syllabus and other logistics
- Lecture on EM waves
- Clicker questions on EM waves

Office hours today: 2 - 4

What is Modern Physics?

Before 1900, physicists find rules

1. that govern motion of macroscopic objects (baseballs, cannon balls) and
2. rules of electricity, magnetism and radiation.

~1900, physicists declare they understand everything there is to understand.

About 1905, physicists discover their "classical" rules don't apply to very small, very fast, or very massive things...whoops!



What is Modern Physics?



Study of motion & interaction of very small things (atoms, molecules & photons)
= quantum mechanics

Study of motion & interaction of very fast objects (close to the speed of light)
= special relativity

Study of motion & interaction of very massive objects (star sized)
= general relativity



All started around 1900 and continue today = "modern physics"

What is Quantum Mechanics?

Pre quantum-understood why stuff falls (gravity), a little about properties of electric and magnetic fields, gases.

Quantum- understand underlying behavior of everything you are likely to see or experience in your lifetime!

- properties of all basic materials
- properties of light and other EM radiation
- how light interacts with matter
- basis for all modern technology

Traditional Mode of Instruction

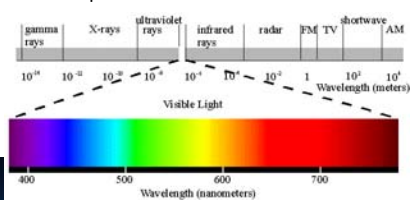


Mode of Instruction in this Class



Today's topic: EM radiation review

Lots of modern physics has to do with light so we are going to begin with a review of this topic

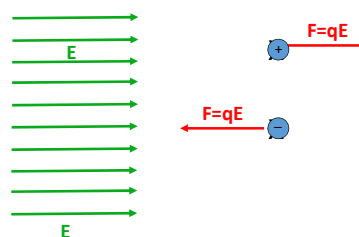


Force due to an Electric Field

Electric fields exert forces on moving or stationary charges

Force = charge * electric field

$$\mathbf{F} = q \mathbf{E}$$



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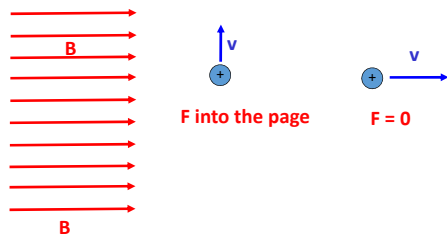
Force due to a Magnetic Field

Magnetic fields exert forces on moving charges

Force = charge * velocity * magnetic field * sin θ

$$\mathbf{F} = q \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}$$

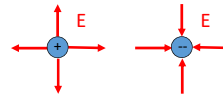
(use right hand rule to find direction of force)



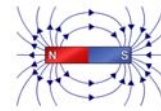
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Creation of an Electric or Magnetic Field

Stationary charges \rightarrow E-field



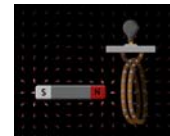
Stationary magnets \rightarrow B-fields



Moving charges \rightarrow B-field



Moving magnets \rightarrow E-fields



Phet pick up coil- move magnet

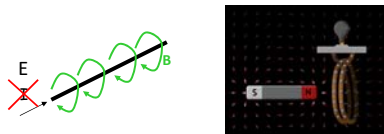
Creation of Electromagnetic Radiation

accelerating charges \rightarrow changing B-field = moving magnets \rightarrow

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EM radiation!!!



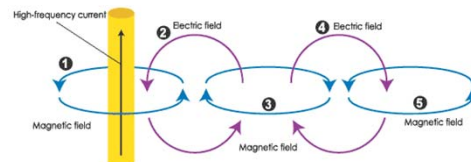
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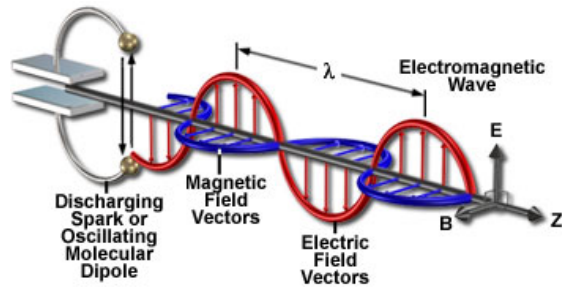
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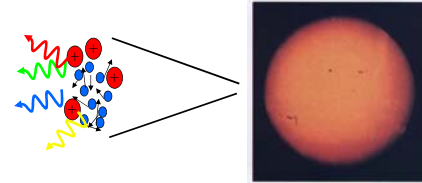


<https://www.olympos-lifescience.com/en/microscope-resource/primer/java/polarizedlight/emwave/>

Creation of Electromagnetic Radiation



Why the Sun Shines



Surface of sun = very hot \rightarrow
 Lots of free electrons whizzing around crazily (i.e. accelerating)
 \rightarrow EM radiation.

(Equal number of protons, but heavier so moving slower, so less EM waves generated from those.)

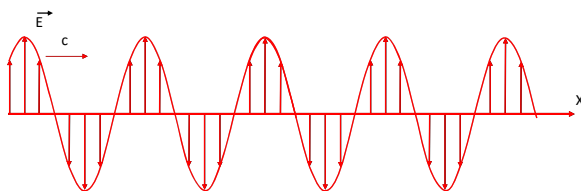
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Electromagnetic Radiation Basics

oscillating electric and magnetic field
 traveling to the right at speed of light (c) } Electromagnetic radiation

Snap shot of E-field in time

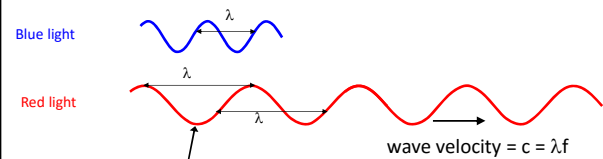
Length of vector represents strength of E-field
 Orientation represents direction of E-field



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Electromagnetic Wave Properties

wavelength (λ) = distance (Δx) until wave repeats



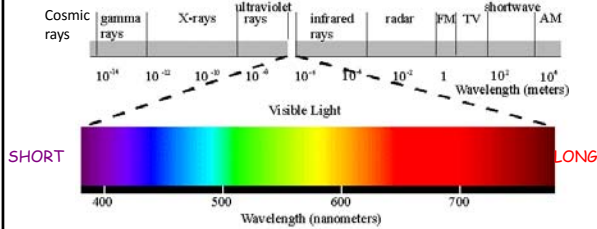
frequency (f) = # of times per second E-field at a point changes through complete cycle as wave passes

period (T) = amount of time for one complete oscillation at a given point = $1/f$

Phet wave on a string

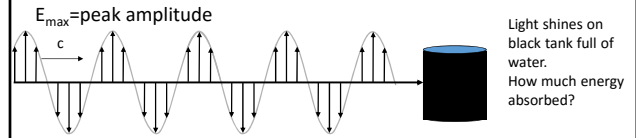
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Electromagnetic Spectrum



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Electromagnetic Waves Carry Energy



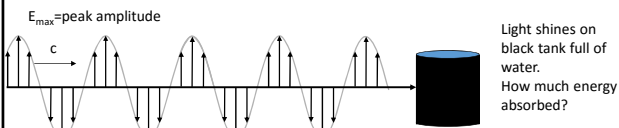
$$E(x,t) = E_{\max} \sin(ax-bt)$$

$$\text{intensity} = \frac{\text{power}}{\text{area}} = \frac{\text{energy/time}}{\text{area}} \propto (E_{\max})^2$$

$$\propto (\text{amplitude of wave})^2$$

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Electromagnetic Waves Carry Energy

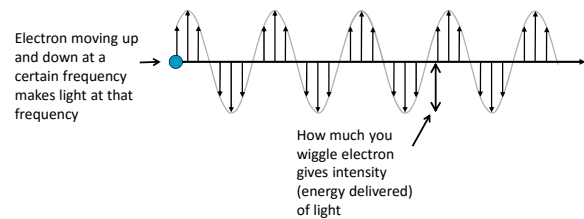


$$E(x,t) = E_{\max} \sin(ax-bt)$$

$$I_{\text{avg}} = 0.5 \epsilon_0 c E_{\max}^2$$

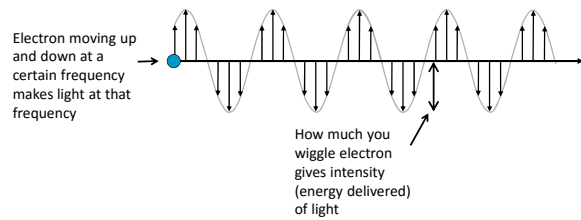
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Wave View of Light



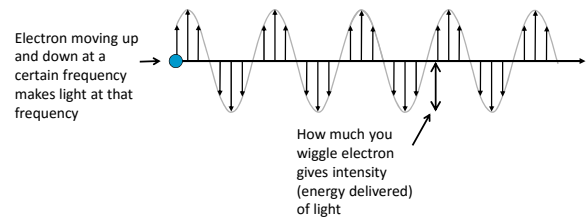
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Wave View of Light



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Wave View of Light



How fast the electron is wiggled is independent of how much the electron is wiggled
or in fancier words

The frequency of light is independent of its energy delivered
(but we will see this isn't true in quantum mechanics).

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