PHYS 310 Theoretical Mechanics I

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Required Textbook

Classical Mechanics

John R. Taylor, University Science Books (2005), ISBN -13: 978-1-891389-22-1

Requirements

PHYS: 151 or 170 or 170A, and Math 244 (or concurrent) or MATH 253A (or concurrent); or consent of the instructor.

Tests

Seven or less unscheduled short tests will be offered. The grade of one of the test can be eliminated. No make-over tests will be offered. Problems will be selected from those solved in class and from textbook solved problems labeled with two stars (**) or less.

Final examination

Thursday, Dec 18, 9:45-11:45 WAT 415

Final Grade

Average grade on tests (70%) +Final examination (30%) = Final grade

Course Content

(First nine textbook chapters)

- Newton's Laws of Motion.
- Projectiles and Charged Particles.
- Momentum and Angular Momentum.
- Energy.
- Oscillations.
- Calculus of Variations and Lagrange's Equations.
- Two-Body Central-Force Problem
- Mechanics in Non-inertial Frames