# Photonics: Fundamentals & Applications (Lect. 1, Monsoon 2020)

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## Grading policy

- Assignments 15%
- Quiz 15%
- Mid-semester 20%
- Mini-project 15%
- End-semester 35%
- Relative grading.
- Penalty for late-submission of assignments: After the submission deadline is over, a penalty of 25% of the obtained marks 'll be imposed per day (so zero marks if submitted on 4th day after the deadline).
- Zero tolerance towards plagiarism and/or cheating in assignments/exams. Such cases 'll be dealt strictly.

## Course outline

- Review of Maxwell's equations, Electromagnetic boundary conditions, polarization of light-wave, TEM, TE and TM modes.
- Module 1: Optical components fundamentals: pulse propagation, ray-optics, mirror, beam-splitter, polarizer, interferometers, laser, photodiodes (We expect to reach this point after 6 – 7 weeks from now)
- Module 2: Surface plasmon, localized surface plasmon resonance (LSPR) in metal nano-particles, applications to sensing.
- Module 3: Numerical tools for photonics and sensor design (Hands-on design starts!!)
- Module 4: Nanophotonics, Photonic crystals and applications to on-chip optical component design.

### Electromagnetic spectrum (Image source: wiki)



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## Down memory lane: Corpuscular theory of light



**Figure 1:** Isaac Newton (1643 – 1727)

## Huygen's principle



Figure 2: Christiaan Huygens (1629-1695)

## Double slit experiment



#### **Figure 3**: Thomas Young (1773 – 1829)

- 1785 : Charles-Augustin de Coulomb reports inverse square law for charges
- 1800 : Alessandro Volta invents battery
- 1820 : Hans Christian Ørsted shows deflection of compass needle brought in the proximity of a current carrying wire
- 1820 : Ampere shows two parallel current-carrying wire attracts/repel depending on the direction of the current
- 1831 : Michael Faraday discovers electromagnetic induction

## Unified theory of electricity and magnetism: Maxwell's equations



Figure 4: James Clerk Maxwell (1831-1879)

## Unified theory of electricity and magnetism: Maxwell's equations

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} & PX \qquad +(p+h)x+(k+l)y=\int \Delta dt - \int Ddt, \\ & Q(X-Z)+(h+q)x+(m+n)y=\int Ddt - \int Cdt, \\ & RY \qquad +(k+m)x+(r+o)y=\int \Delta dt - \int Edt, \\ & S(Y+Z)+(l+n)x+(o+s)y=\int Edt - \int Cdt, \\ & GZ=\int Dtd - \int Edt. \end{aligned}$$
Solving these equations for Z, we find
$$& Z\left\{\frac{l}{P}+\frac{l}{Q}+\frac{l}{R}+\frac{l}{S}+B\left(\frac{l}{P}+\frac{l}{R}\right)\left(\frac{l}{Q}+\frac{l}{S}\right)+G\left(\frac{l}{P}+\frac{l}{Q}\right)\left(\frac{l}{R}+\frac{l}{S}\right)+\frac{BG}{PQRS}(P+Q+R+S)\right\} \\ & = -F\frac{l}{PS}\left\{\frac{p}{P}-\frac{q}{Q}-\frac{r}{R}+\frac{s}{S}+h\left(\frac{l}{P}-\frac{l}{Q}\right)+k\left(\frac{l}{R}-\frac{l}{P}\right)+l\left(\frac{l}{R}+\frac{l}{Q}\right)-m\left(\frac{l}{P}+\frac{l}{S}\right) \\ & +n\left(\frac{l}{Q}-\frac{l}{S}\right)+o\left(\frac{l}{S}-\frac{l}{R}\right)\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$(24)$$

**Figure 5:** James Clerk Maxwell, A Dynamical Theory of the Electromagnetic Field, Royal Society Publishing (1865)

## Oliver Heaviside: condensed form of Maxwell's equations (1885)



Figure 6: Oliver Heaviside (1850-1925)

## Oliver Heaviside: condensed form of Maxwell's equations (1885)

- $\vec{\nabla}.\vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\varepsilon_0}$
- $\vec{\nabla}.\vec{B}=0$
- $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$
- $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \left( \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t} \right)$

### Photoelectric effect: photon



**Figure 7:** Albert Einstein (1879-1955)



**Figure 8:** E.C. George Sudarshan (1931 – 2018)