OPTI 506 – Radiometry, Sources, & Detectors

OPTI 506 - Radiometry, Sources and Detectors - Fall, 2023. Radiometric concepts, symbols, units and nomenclature. Radiative transport in free space and through optical systems. Effect of material properties on radiative transport. Blackbodies and other radiation sources. Fundamentals of radiation detectors, including principles of operation, noise and figures of merit. Illustrative imaging and nonimaging radiometric systems.

Prerequisites: suggested OPTI 502
Class time: MW, 12.30 pm - 1.45 pm
Location: Meinel Optical Sci, Rm 307
Recordings: Yes (Distance-Learning class)
Synchronous: Zoom within Meinel 307 (see D2L for links)
Asynchronous: Panoptic Recording
D2L: Yes
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Course Objectives:
This course covers the generation (sources and radiometry), propagation (radiometry), and measurement (detectors and radiometry) of optical radiation. The theory, units, approximations, instrumentation, and applications will be presented in detail. The majority of the course is based on material that was developed by Dr. John Koshel.

Learning Outcomes:
1. Understand how to measure optical radiation with physical (radiometric) and psychophysical (photometric) terms,
2. Understand the concept of étendue,
3. Know the types of sources, especially blackbody ones,
4. Know the various type of detectors,
5. Be able to calculate noise and SNR arising from measurement, and
6. Understand the mathematical derivations behind the concepts in the course.

Course Material and Logistics:
Lectures: PDFs will be uploaded to D2L around each lecture time. Note that not all material will be within the PDFs: supplement the lectures with class notes. All lectures will be live online (Zoom) and a recording will be posted to D2L.
Recitation: There are no scheduled recitations at this time, but they may be setup as required. Homework, solutions, midterm, labs, and so forth will be discussed at any such meetings. Attendance at any recitation is optional.

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Note that the radiometry material is used throughout the lectures that follow the first course section. It is imperative that you understand the first nine lectures in order to fully understand the following lectures.

Texts (recommended) – see D2L > Library Tools for easy access to some:
   a. GET THIS ONE!
   b. You can get it for free through SPIE since the UA has a site license – look at D2L > Library Tools – should be accessible on and off campus
   c. Off campus & (b) does not work, login with [VPN to the UA](https://spie.d2l.uga.edu) (requires UA NetID+)
   d. Go to the [SPIE website](https://spie.org) and download
   a. GET THIS ONE too!
   b. Great book IMO, but the notation is different than #1
   a. Another good book written by individuals with a connection to OpSci
   a. See chapters on radiometry, illumination, photometry, sources, etc.
   a. Download the lite version on the [iPhone App](https://spie.org) (there are other versions)
   b. See #1 then visit the [SPIE website](https://spie.org) and download
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   b. Illumination is based on the field of radiometry

Exams: There will be two regular exams – in class or take home (TBD).

Assignments: Homework assignments will be given, and they may involve computer simulations or physical measurements with apparatus to be supplied. Students are encouraged to work together on homework assignments, but the final write-ups must be independent. Homework is to be turned in by the end of the day it is due. Expect 7-8 homework assignments.

Grading:

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Grading: The grade will be determined according to the cumulative percentage earned such that: 90-100% = A, 80-89% = B, 70-79% = C, 60-69% = D, below 60% = E.

For Graduates:
A: Excellent – has demonstrated a more than acceptable understanding of the material; exceptional performance; exceeds expectations
B: Good – has demonstrated an acceptable understanding of the material; adequate performance; meets expectations
C: Average – has not demonstrated an acceptable understanding of the material; inadequate performance; does not meet expectations
D: Poor – little to no demonstrated understanding of the material; exceptionally weak performance
E: Failure – usually reserved for non-attendance

CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR

To foster a positive learning environment, students and instructors have a shared responsibility. We want a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment where all of us feel comfortable with each other and where we can challenge ourselves to succeed. To that end, our focus is on the tasks at hand and not on extraneous activities (e.g., texting, chatting, reading a newspaper, making phone calls, web surfing, etc.).

THREATENING BEHAVIOR

The UA Threatening Behavior by Students Policy prohibits threats of physical harm to any member of the University community, including to oneself. See http://policy.arizona.edu/education-and-student-affairs/threatening-behavior-students.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

Students are encouraged to share intellectual views and discuss freely the principles and applications of course materials. However, graded work/exercises must be the product of independent effort unless otherwise instructed. Students are expected to adhere to the UA Code of Academic Integrity as described in the UA General Catalog. See: http://deanofstudents.arizona.edu/academic-integrity/students/academic-integrity.

The University Libraries have some excellent tips for avoiding plagiarism, available at http://new.library.arizona.edu/research/citing/plagiarism.

Selling class notes and/or other course materials to other students or to a third party for resale is not permitted without the instructor’s express written consent. Violations to this and other course rules are subject to the Code of Academic Integrity and may result in course sanctions. Additionally, students who use D2L or UA e-mail to sell or buy these copyrighted materials are

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subject to Code of Conduct Violations for misuse of student e-mail addresses. This conduct may also constitute copyright infringement.

**NONDISCRIMINATION AND ANTI-HARASSMENT**

The University is committed to creating and maintaining an environment free of discrimination; see [http://policy.arizona.edu/human-resources/nondiscrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy](http://policy.arizona.edu/human-resources/nondiscrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy).

**ACCESSIBILITY AND ACCOMMODATIONS**

At the University of Arizona, we strive to make learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience barriers based on disability or pregnancy, please contact the Disability Resource Center (520-621-3268, [https://drc.arizona.edu/](https://drc.arizona.edu/)) to establish reasonable accommodations.

**SPECIAL NOTES**

- **COVID-19:** Per UArizona’s direction, which is likely to change in the next few weeks, we will comply with university policy on in-person attendance (or possible modification to zoom or other means), masks, distancing, etc. We will review university policy at the beginning of the course.
- **Classroom attendance:**
  - If you feel sick, or may have been in contact with someone who is infectious, stay home. Except for seeking medical care, avoid contact with others and do not travel.
  - Notify your instructors if you will be missing an in person or online course.
  - Visit the [UArizona COVID-19](http://policy.arizona.edu/human-resources/nondiscrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy) page for regular updates.
- **Academic advising:** If you have questions about your academic progress this semester, or your chosen degree program, please note your advisor Jini Kandyil and the Advising Resource Center can guide you toward university resources to help you succeed.
- **Life challenges:** If you are experiencing unexpected barriers to your success in your courses, please note the Dean of Students Office is a central support resource for all students and may be helpful. The [Dean of Students Office](http://policy.arizona.edu/human-resources/nondiscrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy) can be reached at 520-621-2057 or [DOS-deanofstudents@email.arizona.edu](mailto:DOS-deanofstudents@email.arizona.edu).
- **Physical and mental-health challenges:** If you are facing physical or mental health challenges this semester, please note that Campus Health provides quality medical and mental health care. For medical appointments, call (520-621-9202. For After Hours care, call (520) 570-7898. For the Counseling & Psych Services (CAPS) 24/7 hotline, call (520) 621-3334.
- **Equipment and software requirements:** For this class you may need daily access to the following hardware: computer or similar; regular access to reliable internet signal; ability to download and run the following software: web browser and Adobe Acrobat.
- **Remain flexible:** If pandemic conditions warrant, the University may require that we return to remote operations. If that is the case, we will notify you by D2L Announcement and email that we are moving to remote operations.

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- Class Recordings:
  - For lecture recordings, which are used at the discretion of the instructor, students must access content in D2L only. Students may not modify content or re-use content for any purpose other than personal educational reasons. All recordings are subject to government and university regulations. Therefore, students accessing unauthorized recordings or using them in a manner inconsistent with UArizona values and educational policies are subject to suspension or civil action.
  - **Note:** look at [FERPA Privacy Protection guide](#) to know your rights and how to protect your personal information.