

Mechanics: From Oscillations to Chaos
PHYB54H3S
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Prerequisites The prerequisites (PHYA21H3, MATB41H3, MATB44H3) as well as the co-requisite (MATB42H3) for this course will be strictly enforced.

Contact Whenever my office door (SW504C) is open, I am available to answer your que-

Accessibility Services and need to use an electronic device, please contact me before the start of the term to find an acceptable arrangement. Note that although this

- Utilize 2-body orbital mechanics to analyze spacecraft trajectories
- Model and analyze simple problems involving vibration with and without damping
- Explore, model and analyze simple problems involving Chaotic system
- Solve differential equations on a computer
- Visualize trajectories on a computer
- Integrate the equations of motion for a planetary system on a computer

Tentative Tutorial and Class Schedule

| Week | Topic |
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| 1 | Introduction to course and overview of topics Newton's Laws of motion (Chapter 1) |
| 2 | Getting started with python and jupyter notebooks Projectiles and Charged Particles (Chapter 2) |
| 3 | Plotting tools Momentum and Angular Momentum (Chapter 3) |
| 4 | Differential equation solvers Energy (Chapter 4) |
| 5 | Using the scipy ODE solver Oscillations (Chapter 5) |
| 6 | Assignment 1 discussion Oscillations (Chapter 5) |
| 7 | No tutorial (Reading Week) No lecture (Reading Week) |
| 8 | Midterm |