

CSUC Spring Term 2020 Physics 204A sections 6, 7, 8

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Dear Class,

As we approach the end of the semester keeping in touch becomes even more important. I include a few key points about our scheduling.

• Thursday, April 30 will be our *last regular lab period*. We perform the **Simple Harmonic Oscillation** lab which I include in the accompanying writeup.

• Next week on Thursday, May 7, **there will be one lab period only**. We will use the lab period starting at 12 noon to have a <u>semester review</u>. I will outline our journey through the semester and then work through some characteristic problems which we missed along the way. Then you are all invited to suggest problems which may have troubled you in any way – so that the group can profit from your discussion. I will stay online past 2PM (with breaks, of course) so that all have a chance to participate, and then post the video on Blackboard.

• On Monday, May 4, I will introduce our last unit: "Gravitation". You will also receive your last reading and problem assignment as well as your last <u>regular</u> *Portfolio Problem* which will cover SHO.

• Friday, May 8, is our last class and I would like to outline what stands in front of you as you continue your study of physics in the future. I would also like to introduce *Special Relativity*.

• There will be a concluding set of <u>Final Exam Portfolio Problems</u> given out by Monday, May 11 (and possibly even earlier) to be completed by the end of Exam Week. The latest submission moment will be Noon on Friday, May 15. It's quite important to set some sort of "Deadline", and I choose that moment. Following that time point I will no longer entertain any discussion concerning late submissions or class grades etc. ... nor will I even open and read your emails. However, if you send me an email titled "Grade" – I will return your final semester grade as well as your point totals and your standing in the class. Beyond that point, this class is formally concluded. I remain, however, a resource for your Physics education and your Academic life, without limit, for life.

