

AP Physics C E&M Year at a Glance (YAG) 2023-2024



First Semester		Second Semester	
1 st Nine Weeks		3 rd Nine Weeks	
Unit 1 ACT1.1 FIE1.2 CNV1.3 CNV1.4 CNV1.5 Unit 2 ACT2.1 CNV2.2 FIE2.3	 Unit 1: Electrostatics In Unit 1, students will begin the study of electric force, which acts on all objects with a property called charge. The electric force, in contrast to gravitational force, is one of attraction or repulsion and therefore leads to different effects on objects. This knowledge will help students understand the role electrostatics has in common devices such as photocopiers, defibrillators, and printers, as well as television, radio, and radar industries. In the units that follow, students will apply their knowledge of electric charges and force to electric circuits, and how the motion of electric charges helps create magnetic fields. Unit 2: Conductors capacitors and dielectrics Previously, students investigated why all objects have an electric charge . In Unit 2, students will examine how that charge can move through an object. Conductors, capacitors, and dielectrics are presented to demonstrate that a charge's movement is dependent on an object's material. In electronics, each of these are important based on the type of movement or desired object behavior. Additionally, this unit examines how the behavior of these elements is impacted by electric fields. Students should be provided with opportunities (laboratory investigations or activities) to describe and examine the function of each of these elements, along with capacitors. Knowledge of conductors, capacitors, and dielectrics will prepare students for understanding how electric circuits work in Unit 3 and how they behave when one or more electrical element is altered or modified. 	Unit 3 CNG4.1 FIE4.2 FIE4.3 CNV4.4	Unit 4 : Magnetic Fields In previous units, students discovered that the electric field allows charged objects to interact without contact. Unit 4 introduces students to magnetism and how magnetic fields are generated, behave, and relate to electricity. Students will learn how magnetic fields impact motion and interact with other magnetic fields. Laboratory investigations and/or activities should be provided for students to apply both the Biot–Savart Law (using calculations to determine the strength of a magnetic field) and Ampère's Law (deriving mathematical relationships which relate the magnitude of the magnetic field to current). This knowledge from previous units helps students to make connections between electric fields and magnetic fields as well as between Gauss's Law and Ampère's Law.
2 nd Nine Weeks		4 th Nine Weeks	

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Unit 2	Unit 2 : Conductors	Unit 5	Unit 5:	
ACT2.1 CNV2.2	capacitors and		Electromagnetism	
FIE2.3	dielectrics (continued	FIE/CNV/ACT	Throughout the course, students explored	
		5.1	the vital roles electricity and magnetism	
Unit 3	Unit 3 : Electric Circuits		play in our daily lives. Unit 5 examines	
FIE3.1 CNV3.2	Whether or not they're aware, students	CNV5.2	electromagnetism through the concept of	
CNV3.3 CNV3.4	interact with electric circuits regularly	CNV5.3	electromagnetic induction and the	
	through charging their phones, powering		application of Maxwell's equations.	
	up their laptops, or simply switching on a		Through activities and detailed laboratory	
	light. Unit 3 serves to illuminate how, and		investigations, students will study, apply,	
	why, our various appliances function by		and analyze the concept of induction, as	
	exploring the nature and importance of		well as investigate the relationship between	
	electric currents, circuits, and resistance.		Faraday's Law and Lenz's Law. Additionally,	
	Through activities and lab investigations,		students are expected to call upon their	
	students will have opportunities to relate		knowledge obtained in earlier	
	knowledge across the course by using the		units—particularly that of charges,	
	electrical components they learned about		currents, and electric and magnetic	
	in Unit 2 and will come to discover in Unit		fields—to better understand Maxwell's	
	3 to create, modify, and analyze circuits.		equations and to be able to mathematically	
	Students will also analyze the		demonstrate, as well as reason with, how	
	relationships that exist between current,		these fields are generated.	
	resistance, and power, in addition to			
	exploring and applying Ohm's Law and			
	Kirchhoff's Rules.			

Resources

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