

Lecture 1

Introduction to the Course ECE 303

In this lecture you will learn:

- The basic structure of the course
- Course policies
- Introduction to Electromagnetic Fields and Waves
- The cutting edge areas in related applications and research

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Recitation Sections

• In order to take this class every student **MUST** be able to attend:

- One recitation section on Tuesday

AND

- One recitation section on Thursday

• Recitation Instructors:

Dr. Wesley Swartz

Paul George

Dr. Christina Manolatos

• Recitation Schedule:

(a) Tuesday and Thursday 1:25-2:40 PM in PH203

(b) Tuesday and Thursday 2:55-4:10 PM in PH203



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Tutorial Sections

- Tutorials are offered by the TAs
- Course TAs are:
Paul George, Felix Lee
- Tutorials are NOT mandatory
- Tutorials are meant to help you in homework
- Tutorial schedule (room PH403):
 - (a) Thursday 4:30-5:30 PM (Paul George)
 - (b) Thursday 6:00-7:00 PM (Felix Lee)

Office Hours

- Office hours are meant for students looking for individual help
 - (a) Wednesday 3:00-4:00 PM (PH113)
 - (b) Friday 3:00-4:00 PM (PH113)

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Course Website

- All course documents, including:
 - Lecture notes
 - Homeworks and solutions
 - Exam solutions
 - Extra course related material

will appear on the course website:

<http://instruct1.cit.cornell.edu/courses/ece303/>

Homeworks

- Homeworks will be due on Fridays at 5:00 PM in the course drop box
- New homeworks and old homework solutions will appear on the course website by Friday night
- Homework 1 will be due next Friday and will be available on the course website by tonight

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Course Material and Textbooks

First 3-4 weeks:

(a) Lecture Slides/Notes

and

(b) Online text book:

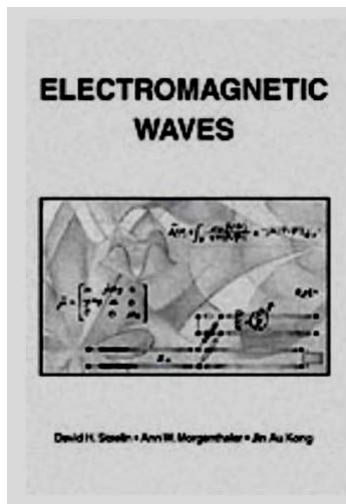
http://web.mit.edu/6.013_book/www/

Next 8-9 weeks:

(a) Lecture Slides/Notes

and

(b) 



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A New Course Textbook

- Chapters from a new course textbook (**partially completed**) and written by the Cornell faculty will be made available through **Blackboard**

- Students must enroll in Blackboard to access these chapters:

<http://blackboard.cornell.edu/>

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Course Grading

- Course grading will be done as follows:

- Recitations (5%)
- Homeworks (20%)
- 3 Prelims (40%)
- Final exam (35%)

- Final exam will be **comprehensive**

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Maxwell's Equations in Free Space

- (1) $\nabla \cdot \epsilon_0 \vec{E} = \rho$ **Gauss' Law**
- (2) $\nabla \cdot \mu_0 \vec{H} = 0$ **Gauss' Law**
- (3) $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \mu_0 \vec{H}}{\partial t}$ **Faraday's Law**
- (4) $\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \epsilon_0 \vec{E}}{\partial t}$ **Ampere's Law**



James Clerk Maxwell
(1831-1879)

The entire course is about these 4 equations !!

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Radars for Upper Atmosphere Research



49.92 MHz incoherent scatter radar at the Jicamarca Observatory
The radar has an array of 18,432 half-wave dipoles !!

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Arecibo Radio Telescope in Puerto Rico



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Dish Antennas for Satellite Communications



A DIRECTV dish antenna

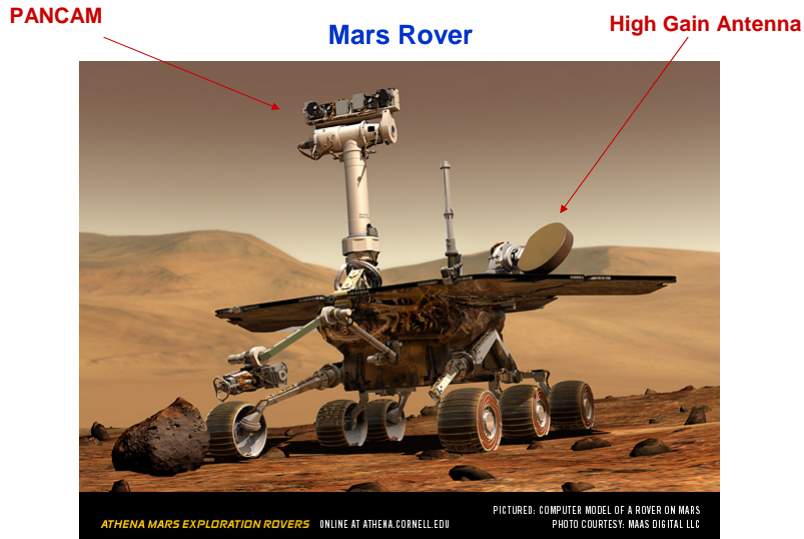
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Doppler Radar of an F-16 Plane



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Antennas for Deep Space Communications



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Communication Networks: Wireless and Optical

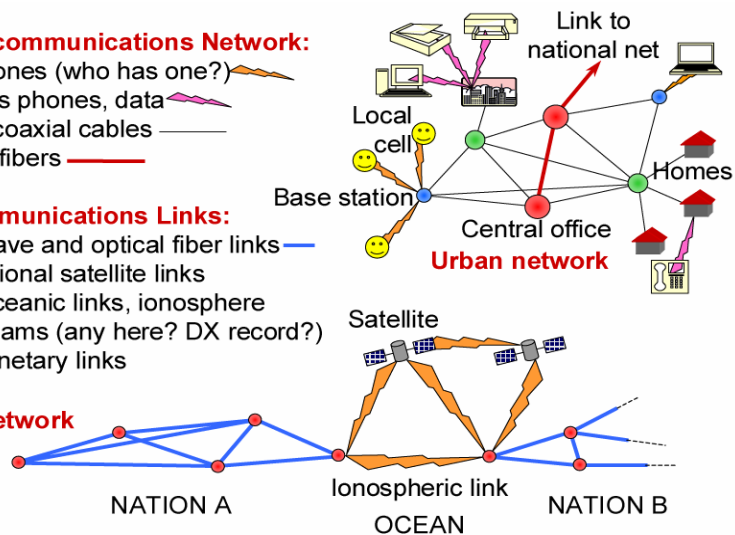
Local Telecommunications Network:

- Cell phones (who has one?)
- Wireless phones, data
- Wires, coaxial cables
- Optical fibers

Other Communications Links:

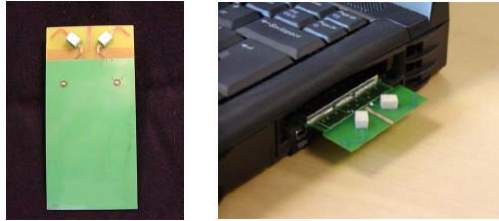
- Microwave and optical fiber links
- International satellite links
- Transoceanic links, ionosphere
- Radio hams (any here? DX record?)
- Interplanetary links

National Network



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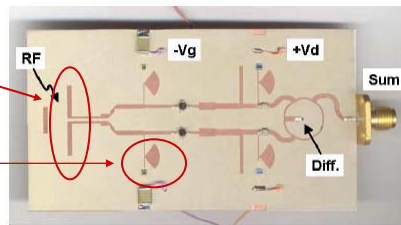
Antennas for Mobile Consumer Products



A PCMCIA card antenna – shown with the cover removed (2-5 GHz)

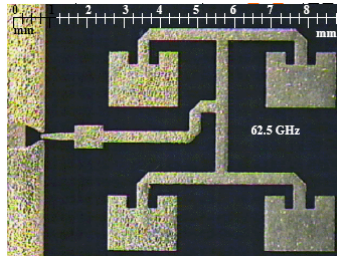
A dipole antenna integrated with a low noise amplifier on a PC board for mobile receivers (4-8 GHz)

Stub tuners

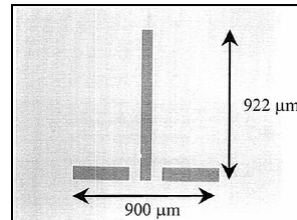


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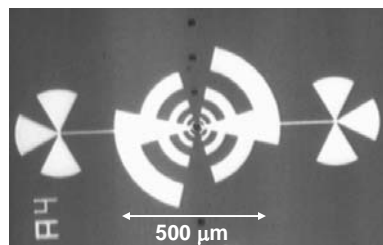
Antennas: The Next Wave in Integration



A 60 GHz patch antenna



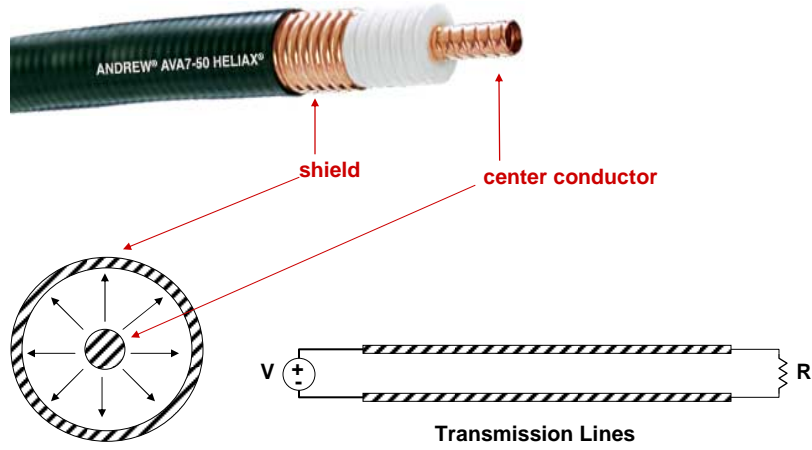
A 100 GHz integrated monopole antenna



A 500-2000 GHz log-periodic integrated antenna

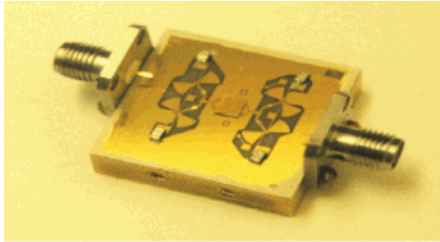
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Guiding Electromagnetic Energy: Transmission Lines

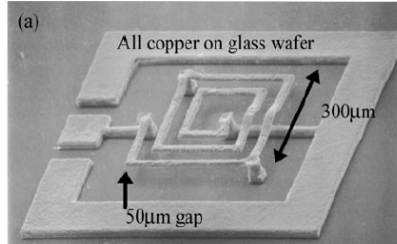


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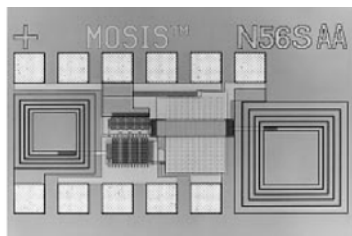
Microwave Circuits



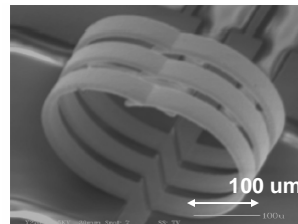
A GaN amplifier chip with stub tuners for 10 GHz operation



A planar on-chip inductor



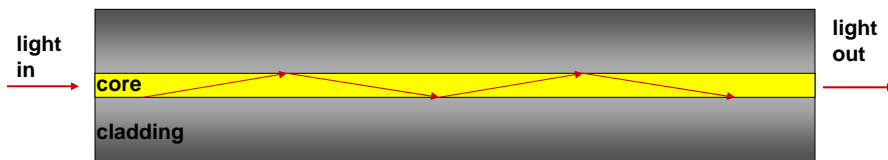
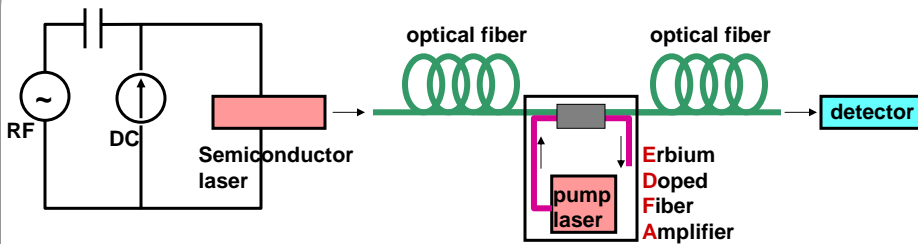
A Silicon 1 GHz amplifier chip



A 3-D on-chip inductor

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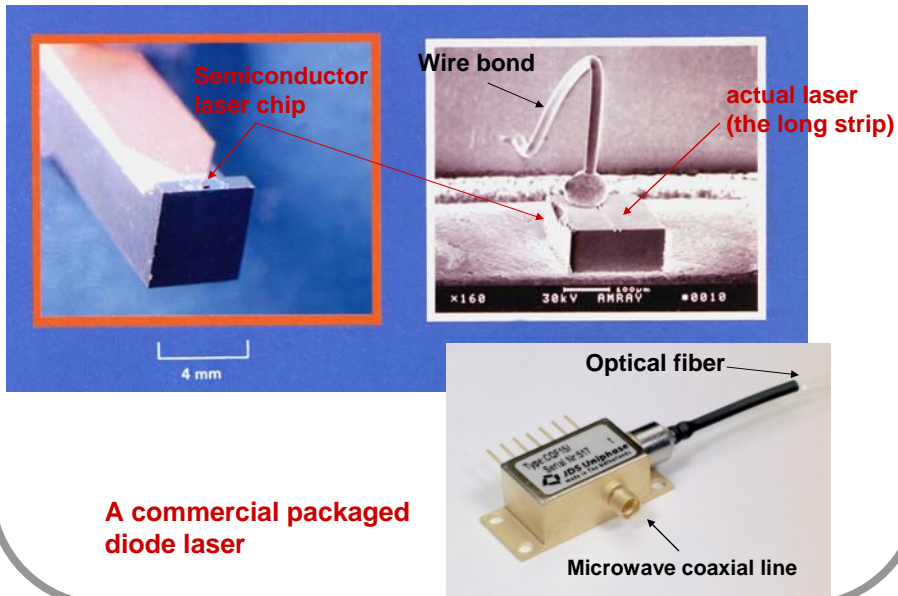
Optical Fiber Communication Links



Light guiding in an optical fiber

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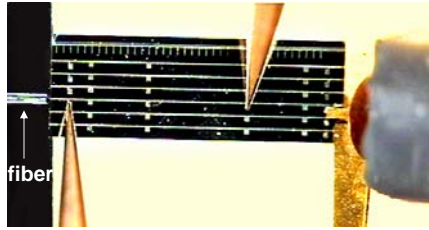
Semiconductor Lasers: Powering Up the Information Age



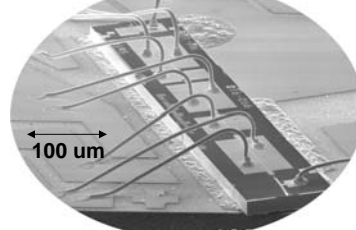
A commercial packaged diode laser

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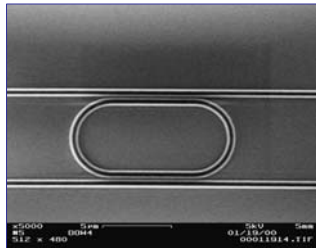
Micro-Photonics: Processing Photons on Chips



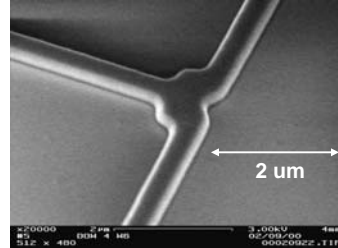
A semiconductor laser that produces femtosecond long pulses of light



A widely tunable 20 GHz modulation speed semiconductor laser



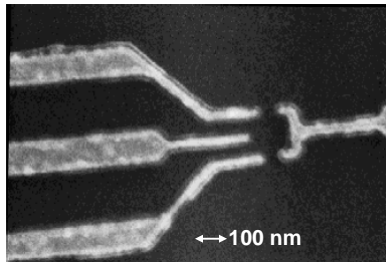
An optical micro-ring filter (separates out light of a particular color)



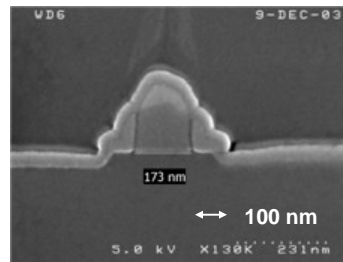
An optical micro-splitter (splits light two ways)

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Nano-Electronics

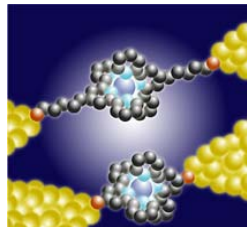


A single electron transistor (works on the principle of strong electrostatic repulsion between electrons in nanostructures)



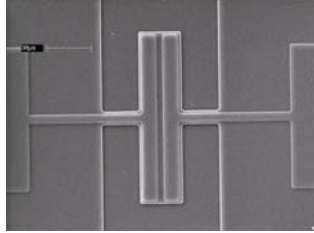
A 50 nm gate MOS transistor (electrostatics become more important as device dimensions shrink)

A single atom transistor

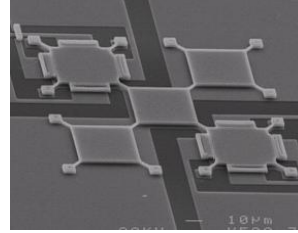


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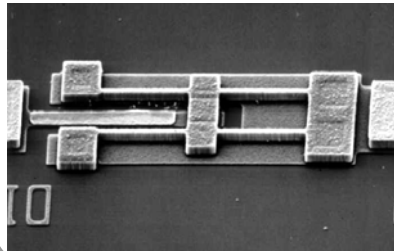
MEMs: Micro-Electro-Mechanical Devices



Bar Resonator



Checkerboard Filter

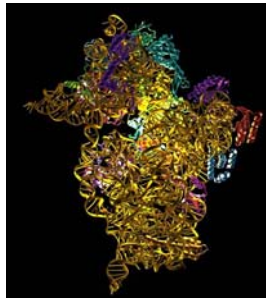
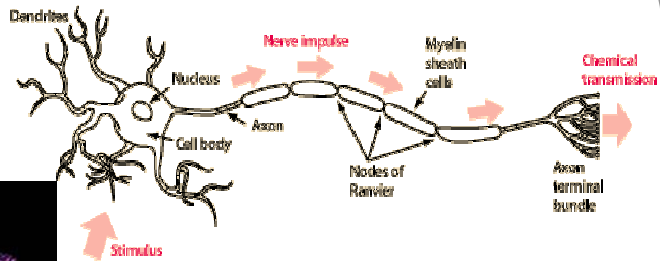


VHF Beam

Electrostatically actuated MEMs resonators could be components of future integrated wireless systems

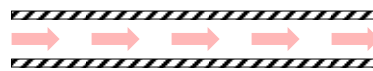
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Nano-Biology and Electromagnetics



Protein folding is determined by the complex electrostatic interactions among the atoms

The generation and propagation of action potentials in nerve cells are modeled as electrical signals in (non-linear) transmission lines



A transmission line model of a nerve cell

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