



**THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**  
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

# Introduction to Computational Electromagnetics

## ECE 5510

**Credit Hours:**

3.00

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**Course Levels:**

Undergraduate (1000-5000 level)

Graduate (5000-8000 level)

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**Course Components:**

Lecture

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**Course Description:**

Numerical methods for solving maxwell equations both static and electrostatics, introduction to finite difference, finite element and integral equation methods, and applied linear algebra.

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**Prerequisites and Co-requisites:**

Prereq: 3010; or Grad standing in Engineering, Biological Sciences, or Math and Physical Sciences.

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**Course Goals / Objectives:**

- Learn the basics of finite difference methods for solving Maxwell equations, both static and electrostatics
  - Learn the basics of finite element methods for solving Maxwell equations, both static and electrostatics
  - Learn the basics of integral equation methods for solving Maxwell equations, both static and electrostatics
  - Learn basics of applied linear algebra and graph theories for solving matrix equations, both sparse and dense, using direct methods
  - Learn basics of singular value decomposition (SVD) algorithm
  - Learn basics of Krylov based iterative matrix solution techniques for solving both sparse and dense matrix equations
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**Course Topics:**

- Finite difference methods, Central/forward/backward differences, solving Poisson equations on a rectangular domain
  - Finite difference time domain methods, stability analysis, dispersion analysis, simple first order absorbing boundary condition
  - Finite element methods, bary-centric coordinate systems, Lagrange interpolation polynomials, applying FEM to solve Poisson equations, vector finite element basis functions
  - Solving dielectric waveguides using vector finite element methods, modeling three dimensional inhomogeneous cavities, and application of vector finite element methods to 3D vector wave equations
  - Integral equation methods for computing capacitances for multiple arbitrarily shaped conductors, numerical integrations for smooth and weakly singular kernels, RWG basis functions, EFIE, MFIE, CFIE
  - Applied linear algebra for solving matrix equations, singular value decomposition (SVD) algorithm, graph theory for direct factorization and sparse direct matrix solvers, Krylov methods
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**Designation:**

Elective