

PREFACE

Preparing a new edition of a textbook is an odd mixture of toil and gratification to their limits. In the midst of long hours and endless minutiae, the acts of incorporating new ideas that augment those already there or that displace those that may have become tiresome provide feelings of relief and accomplishment. Through the effort, there is hope and a growing belief that the new book will be better and more useful.

In the case of electromagnetics, the core subject matter never changes, and so it could be argued that previous treatments that have proven successful are probably best left alone. This was my philosophy when preparing the sixth edition. In this new seventh, I have taken a few more liberties. The older topics, present since the first edition, were reassessed, and a few were either dropped or moved to new locations. These changes were made sparingly, as my intent was to improve the flow of material while attempting to avoid anything that would damage the classic appeal and success of Hayt's original work as it has existed for nearly fifty years.

In recent years, many electromagnetics core courses have shifted their emphasis in the direction of transmission-line theory, in a manner consistent with the rise of computer engineering as a primary component within electrical engineering curricula. This has resulted in the most significant change in our new edition, which is a substantially rewritten (and now independent) chapter on transmission lines. This (the former Chapter 13) is now Chapter 11, and it precedes the chapters on electromagnetic waves. In Chapter 11, transmission lines are treated entirely within the context of circuit theory; wave phenomena are introduced and used exclusively in the form of voltages and currents. Line losses are now covered, along with a more detailed development of the wave equation. Inductance and capacitance concepts are treated as known parameters, and so there is no reliance on any other chapter. This allows transmission lines to be covered as the initial topic in a course, if desired. Field concepts and parameter computation in lines are still present, but now they appear in the early part of Chapter 14, where they play the additional roles of helping to introduce waveguiding concepts while adding perspective to the waveguiding problem. The specific cases of planar, coaxial, and two-wire lines within different frequency regimes are treated as in the earlier editions, and a new section on microstrip line has been added. This material can be covered after Chapter 12 and does not require Chapter 13.

The electromagnetic waves chapters, now 12 and 13 (formerly 11 and 12), retain their independence from transmission-line theory in that one can progress from Chapter 10 directly to Chapter 12. In this way, wave phenomena are introduced from first principles, but within the context of the uniform plane wave. Chapter 12 refers to Chapter 11 in places where the latter may give additional perspective, along with a little more detail. Nevertheless, all the necessary material for learning plane waves without first studying transmission-line waves is present in Chapter 12, should the student or instructor wish to proceed in that order.

The discussion of plane wave reflection and dispersion in Chapter 13 moves directly into Chapter 14, in which waveguiding fundamentals are covered in the light of plane wave reflection models, as well as through direct solution of the wave equation. This chapter retains its original content from the sixth edition, but it now includes an expanded section on optical fibers in addition to the one on transmission-line structures previously mentioned. The last part of Chapter 14 covers basic radiation concepts, a carryover from earlier editions.

The restructuring of the earlier chapters includes the division of the former Chapter 5 (Conductors, Dielectrics, and Capacitance) into two chapters (now 5 and 6) that deal separately with conductors and capacitors. The previous Chapter 6 (which covered field plotting and numerical techniques) has been eliminated, but some of its material has been retained in other chapters. Curvilinear square mapping and discussions of current analogies are now part of the new capacitance chapter (6), and the old section on iterative solution is now part of the Laplace and Poisson equation development in Chapter 7.

A major new supplement to this edition is a CD containing computer demonstrations and interactive programs developed by Natalia Nikolova of McMaster University, and Vikram Jandhyala and Indranil Chowdhury of the University of Washington. Their excellent contributions are geared to the text, and CD icons appear in the margins whenever an exercise that pertains to the narrative exists. In addition, quizzes are provided on the CD to aid in further study. Numerous animations (including a few of my own) are present that help in visualizing many of the phenomena described in the text.

Approximately 40 percent of the problems in the sixth edition have been replaced. In addition to many new problems, I have included several excellent “classic” problems of Bill Hayt’s that appeared in the early editions. I decided to revive what I felt were the best and most relevant of these. The drill problems have been reworked and errors have been corrected.

Apart from these changes, the theme of the text is the same as it has been since the first edition of 1958. An inductive approach is used that is consistent with the historical development. In it, the experimental laws are presented as individual concepts that are later unified in Maxwell’s equations. After the first chapter on vector analysis, additional mathematical tools are introduced in the text on an as-needed basis. Throughout every edition, as well as this one, the primary goal has been to enable students to learn independently. Numerous examples, drill problems (usually having multiple parts), the end-of-chapter problems, and the material on the media disk, are provided to facilitate this. Answers to the drill problems are given below each problem. Answers to odd-numbered end-of-chapter problems are found in Appendix E. A solutions manual will also be available to instructors. This material, along with the media suite contents and other teaching resources, is also available at the book’s website, <http://www.mhhe.com/haytbuck>. **COSMOS** (Complete Online Solutions Manual Operating System), available to instructors on CD-ROM, contains the entire book problem set, enhanced to include any referenced images or text, as well as the entire solution set for the book. This application will assist instructors in organizing, distributing, and tracking problem sets as they are assigned. Also acknowledged are ANSOFT and Faustus Scientific Corp.

The book contains more than enough material for a one-semester course. As is evident, statics concepts are emphasized and occur first in the presentation. In a course that places more emphasis on dynamics, the transmission lines chapter can be covered initially as mentioned, or at any point in the course. The statics material can be covered more rapidly by omitting Chapter 1 (assigned to be read as a review) and skipping Sections 2.6, 5.5, 5.6, 6.5, 6.6, 7.4 through 7.6, 8.6, 8.7, 9.3 through 9.6, 9.8, and 10.5. A more streamlined presentation of plane waves can be accomplished by omitting Sections 12.5, 13.5, and 13.6. Chapter 14 is intended as an advanced topics chapter, in which the development of waveguide and antenna concepts occurs through the application of the methods learned in earlier chapters, therefore helping to solidify that knowledge. It may also serve as a bridge between the basic course and more advanced courses that follow it.

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