Radiative Transfer

PHYS 721, Fall 2015

Dates and Location: Tuesday & Thursday, 2:30AM- 3:45AM

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TEXTS:
Theory of Atmospheric Radiative Transfer
by Manfred Wendisch, Ping Yang ISBN-10: 3527408363

REFERENCE TEXTS:
1) An Introduction to Atmospheric Radiation By Kuo-Nan Liou
2) First course in atmospheric radiation by G. Petty
3) Absorption and Scattering of Light by Small Particles by C.F. Bohren, D. R. Huffman

GRADING:
Homework (30%), Projects (60%), Participation/Discussion (10%)

COURSE OUTLINE:
1. Basic Definitions and Principles (2 weeks)
2. Interaction of Light with Single Particles (2 weeks)
3. Bulk Scattering by Particle Ensembles (1 week)
4. Radiative Transfer Equation (1 week)
5. Methods for Solving RTE (3 weeks)
6. Absorption and Emission by Earth’s Atmosphere (2 weeks)
7. Applications of Radiative Transfer (3 weeks)
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