

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Statement on Academic Honesty

The Office of the Chair of Faculty has asked all the instructors to make clear what kinds and levels of collaboration are considered acceptable in each course.

Homework

The main goal of 8.03 is learning how to solve physics problems in waves and vibrations. Each problem set contains at least one somewhat challenging problem.

The homework grade is a significant part of the final grade, i.e. 25%. It's always a good idea to first attempt to answer all homework questions all yourself. After you're done and you think that you know the answers, OR you really don't know how to solve the problem, you can discuss it with your fellow 8.03 students. Try to figure out what you do or do not understand!

You certainly must write the solutions by yourself, do not copy.

Take Home Experiments

Work on your take home experiments with fellow 8.03ers but each of you are required to submit a separate write-up. If you work with someone else please indicate the name of your partner.

The Four Exams

During the four exams you will be on your own. No notes or other material are permitted. Collaboration between students or contact with the outside world is not permitted. Basic formula sheets relevant to each exam will be provided. You are allowed to use calculators to conduct numerical calculations. It's a good idea to discuss the answers with your colleagues and your recitation instructor AFTER each exam. Since the final exam is comprehensive, you'll need to know the material even though you just finished the in-class exams.