

# *Lecture 7*

- About LASP visit
- Kronecker and Levi-Civita
- Homework
- Polarimetry → on Monday

# *Summary of previous lecture*

- Index notation
- Observational techniques
- Important contributions to opacity
- LASP visit 8:30-9:45

# *LASP visit: what was most boring?*

- A. Aerobee rocket, Mariner, etc
- B. Total solar irradiance story
- C. Machine workshop
- D. Shipping hall and elect. labs
- E. Mission control rooms

*... and what was most exciting?*

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- B. Total solar irradiance story
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# Quick rehearsal: delta

$$\delta_{11} = \delta_{22} = \delta_{33} = 1$$

and 0 otherwise

what is  $\delta_{ii}$  ??

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4

# Levi-Civita tensor

$$\varepsilon_{123} = \varepsilon_{231} = \varepsilon_{312} = 1$$

$$\varepsilon_{321} = \varepsilon_{213} = \varepsilon_{132} = -1$$

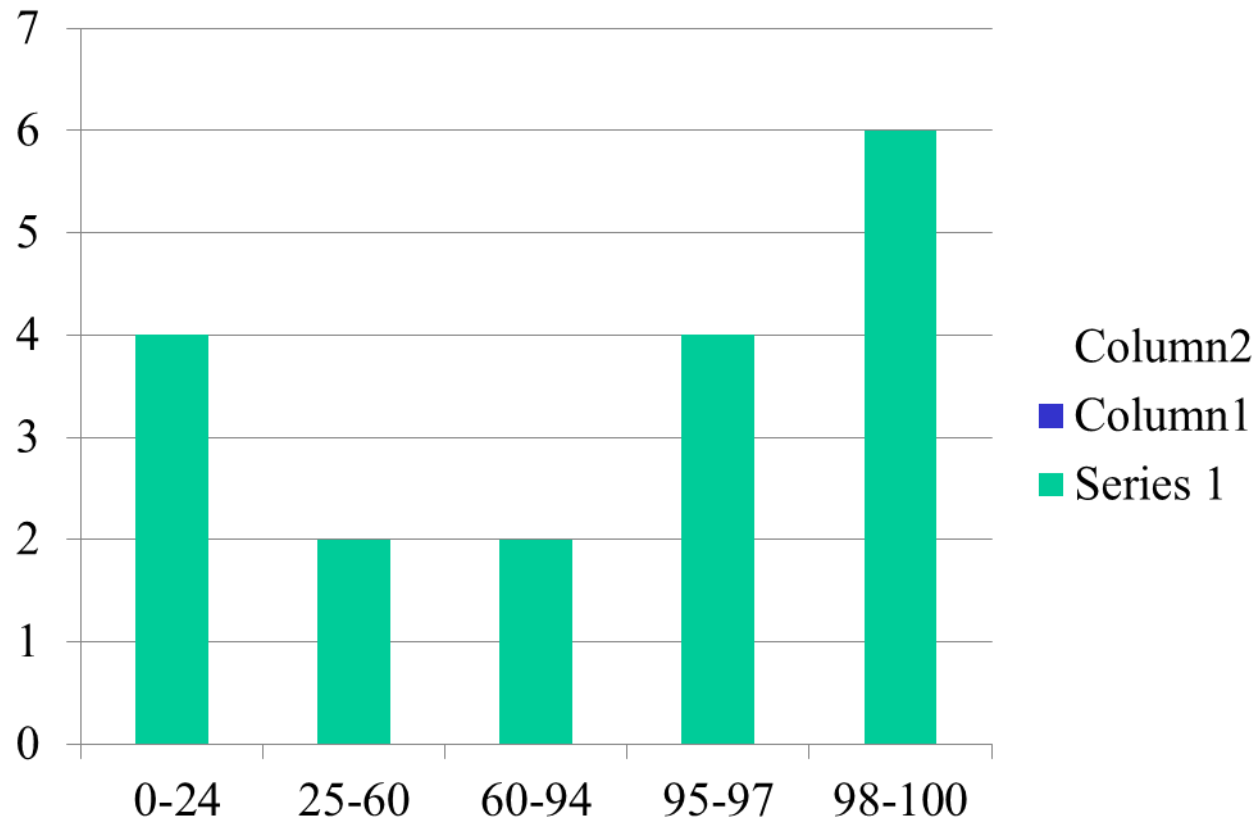
$$\varepsilon_{ijk} = 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

Also: totally  
antisymmetric tensor

what is  $\varepsilon_{ijk}\varepsilon_{ijk}$  ??

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 3
- D. 4
- E. 6

# Homework



# Homework issues

- brackets omitted: don't write  $6y^2z - 6y^2z\hat{i}$ . always write  $(6y^2z - 6y^2z)\hat{i}$ .
- there are no point charges in this example
- $\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{0}$  would be a current-free magnetic field
- and would be physically ok, provided  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$ .
- $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$  would mean  $\mathbf{B}$  is static, so that would be ok.
- conservative means  $\nabla \times \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$ . It is also called irrotational.
- solenoidal means  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{F} = 0$ . It is also called divergence-free.

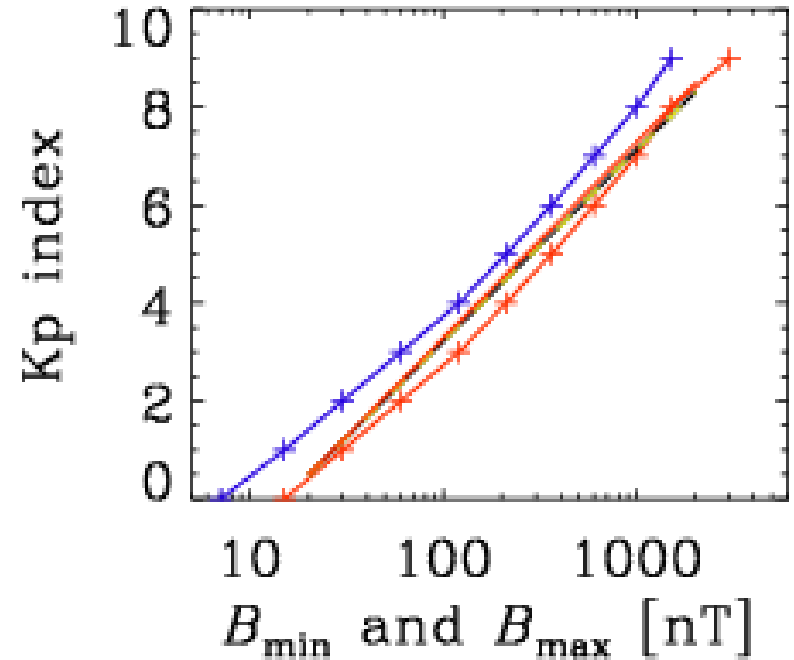
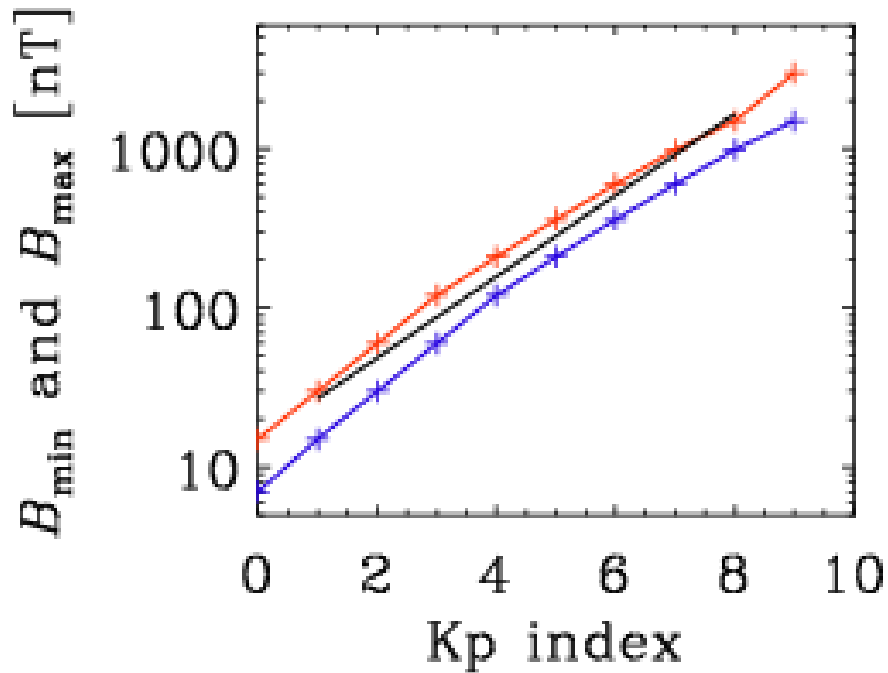


# Interpreting the K-index based on values from Kiruna

The K-index is just like the Kp-index, a geomagnetic storm index with a logarithmic scale from 1 to 9 but as measured by a single station and not from multiple stations combined. Based on the deflection from the Kiruna magnetometer we can try to determine the K-index for that specific station. For the station at Kiruna, we do this with the help of the table below. Be aware that, due to its location, this magnetometer is only helpful for observers from Europe.

| <b>K-index</b> | <b>Deflection in nanoTesla</b> | <b>Storm type</b>                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 0              | 0 - 15                         | Quiet conditions                 |
| 1              | 15 - 30                        | Quiet conditions                 |
| 2              | 30 - 60                        | Quiet conditions                 |
| 3              | 60 - 120                       | Unsettled geomagnetic conditions |
| 4              | 120 - 210                      | Active geomagnetic conditions    |
| 5              | 210 - 360                      | G1 - Minor geomagnetic storm     |
| 6              | 360 - 600                      | G2 - Moderate geomagnetic storm  |
| 7              | 600 - 990                      | G3 - Strong geomagnetic storm    |
| 8              | 990 - 1500                     | G4 - Severe geomagnetic storm    |
| 9              | 1500 and more                  | G5 - Extreme geomagnetic storm   |

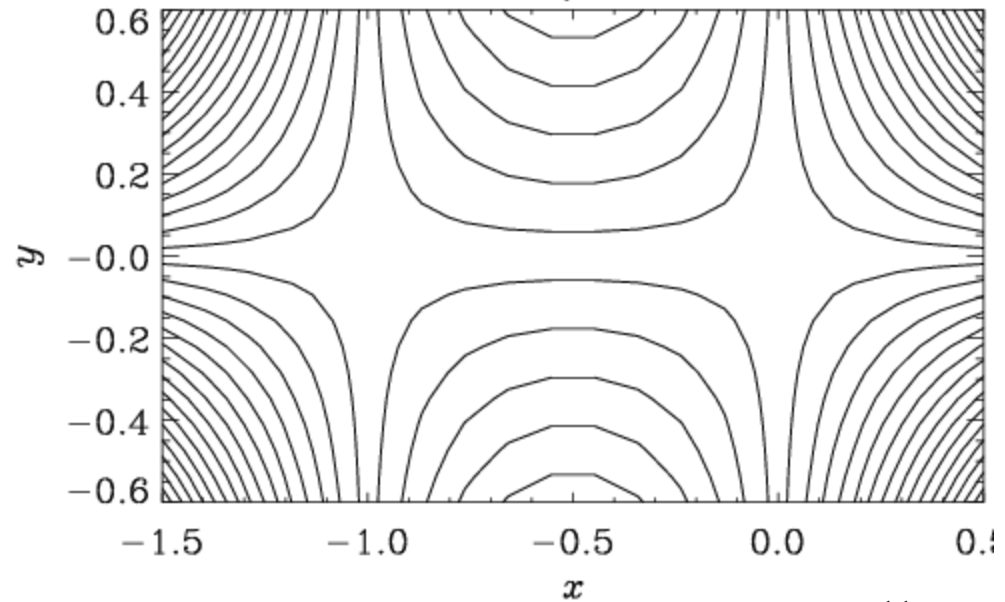
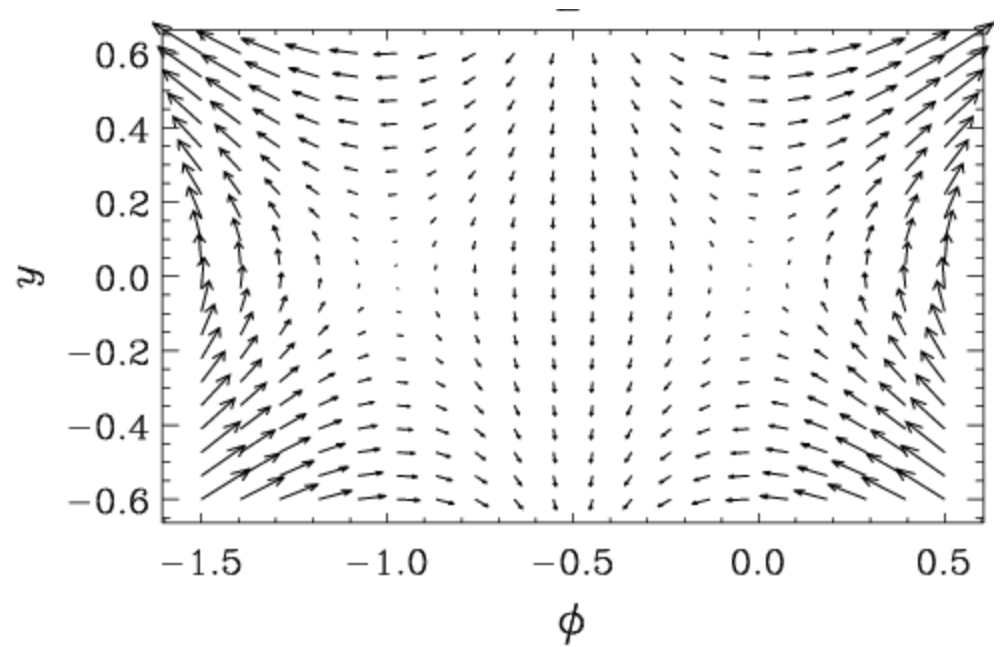
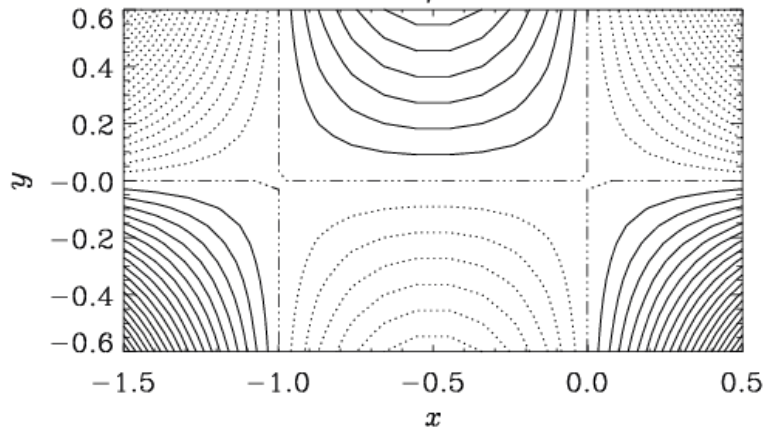
*Goal: as linear as possible*



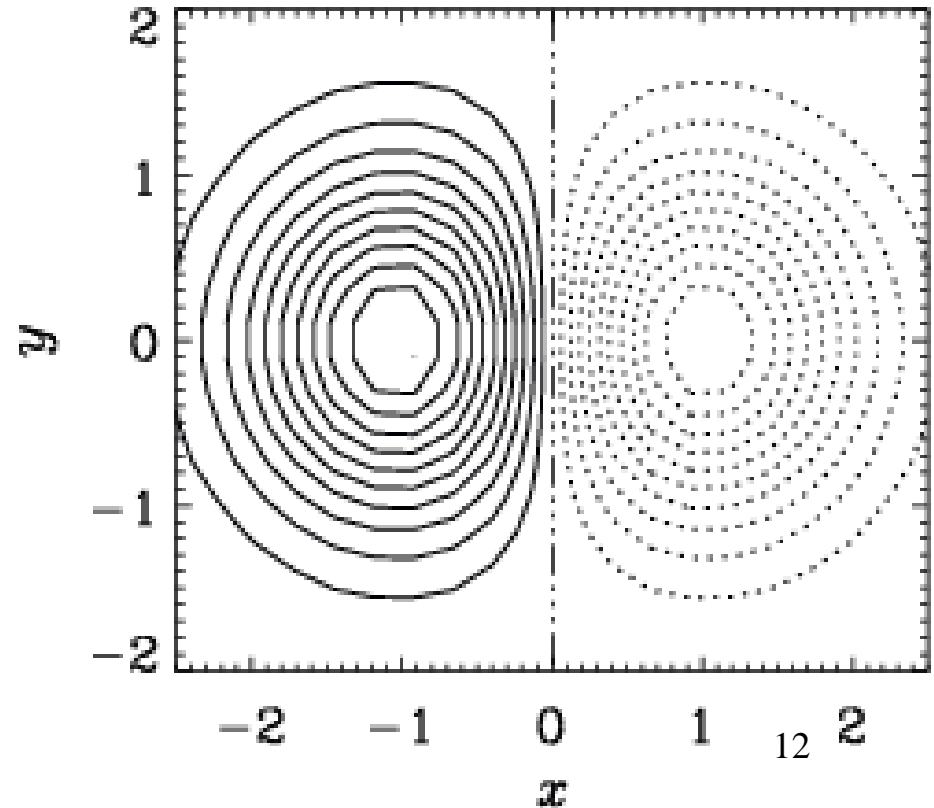
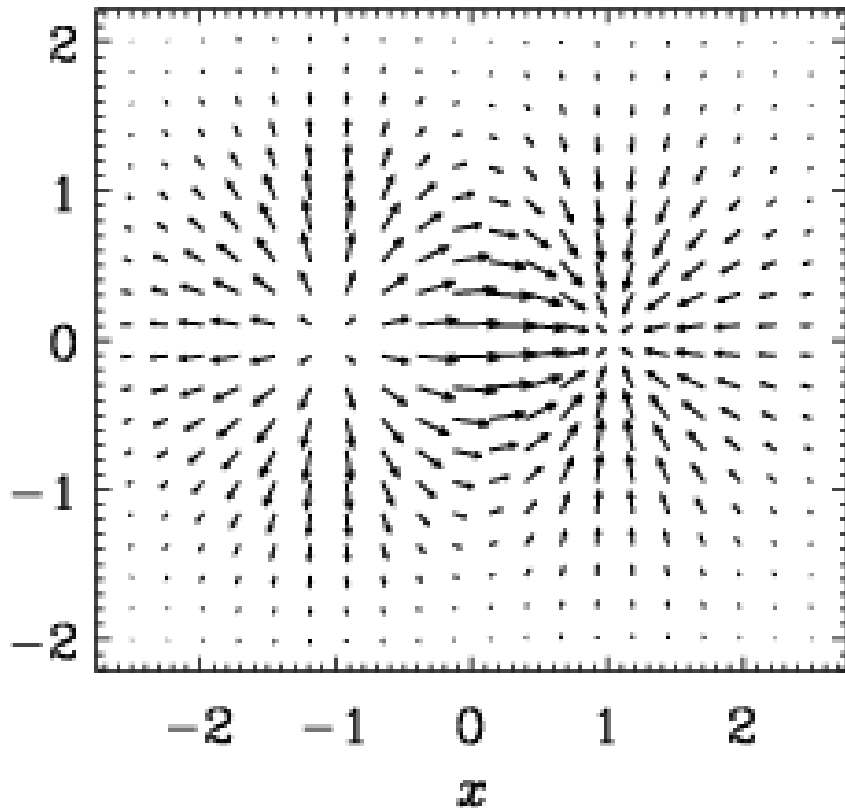
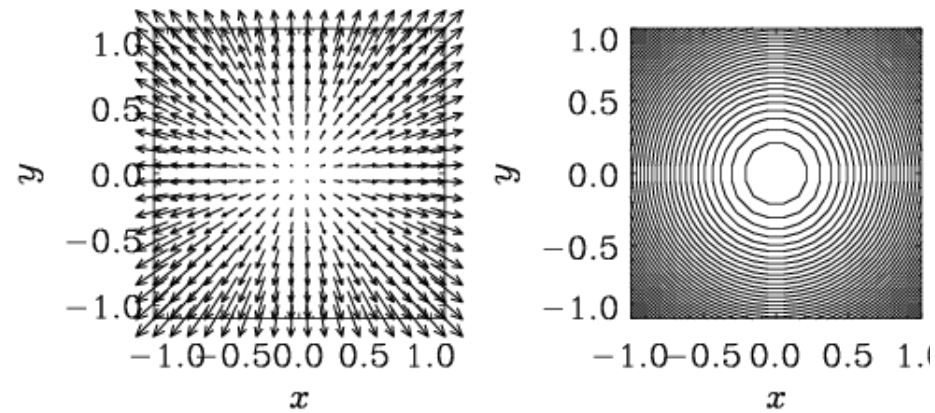
- other examples: finite time blowup

# *E* vector

- Contours are perpendicular to  $\mathbf{E}$  vectors
- 3 pos and 3 neg charge distributions



- Infinite energy density??
- 2 gaussian humps



# Transfer eqn w/ integrating factor

We can sort of separate the variables to get

$$\frac{dI}{dx} + \alpha I = \alpha S,$$

but we can't quite integrate this equation yet unless we introduce a so-called integrating factor  $e^{-\alpha x}$  and substitute

$$I(x) = e^{-\alpha x} \tilde{I}(x).$$

Inserting this gives

$$-\alpha I + e^{-\alpha x} \frac{d\tilde{I}}{dx} + \alpha I = \alpha S$$

where the  $\alpha I$  cancels, so we have

$$e^{-\alpha x} \frac{d\tilde{I}}{dx} = \alpha S, \tag{1}$$

or

$$\frac{d\tilde{I}}{dx} = \alpha S e^{\alpha x}, \tag{2}$$

which can now be solved by separation of variables, i.e.

$$\tilde{I} - \tilde{I}_0 = \alpha S \int_0^x e^{\alpha x'} dx',$$