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## **CALCULUS 1**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Michael Wolf*

Formal logic, integral- and differential calculus, real and complex numbers, sequences, series, topological concepts, continuity, convergence, Taylor- and Fourier series, ODEs

## **CALCULUS 2**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Michael Wolf*

Topological spaces, Banach spaces, fixed-points, multi-dimensional calculus (Frechet derivative, Taylor Series, Lagrange multiplier), vector analysis with integral theorems, manifolds, Euler-Lagrange equation and Noether theorem, Legendre transformation

## **LINEAR ALGEBRA 1**

*Lecturer: Dr. Michael Kaplan*

Linear systems of equations, set theory, relations, groups, functions, rings, fields, vector spaces, linear maps, tensor- and dyadic product, determinant, trace, eigenvalues, Jordan canonical form, Euclidian vector spaces, bilinear maps

## **LINEAR ALGEBRA 2**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Georg Kemper*

Euclidian vector spaces, analytical geometry, symmetric bilinear maps, matrix groups (GL, SL, O, SO, U, SU), normal forms (Jordan, Schur, Principal component analysis, SVD)

## **INTRODUCTION TO DIFFERENTIAL GEOMETRY**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Tim Hoffmann*

Introduction to curves, reparameterisation, evolvent, evolute, Darboux transformation, arc length, tangent, normal, curvature, Four-vertex theorem, frames (Frenet, parallel), tangent space and bundle, Gauss curvature, theorema egregium, normal curvature, 1st and 2nd fundamental form, Weingarten operator, minimal surfaces, elements of complex analysis

## **THEORY OF FUNCTIONS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Tom Ilmanen*

Complex functions, Cauchy-Riemann equations, Cauchy integral theorem, singularities, residue theorem, winding number, analytic continuation, conformal maps, Riemann mapping theorem

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## **METHODS OF MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS I**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Eugene Trubowitz*

Fourier series, Fourier transformations (FT, DFT, FFT), orthogonal function spaces, Hilbert spaces, eigenvalue problems, distributions, Dirichlet problem, harmonic functions, differential equations, Green's functions, elements of quantum information theory (gates, algorithms, ...)

## **METHODS OF MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS II**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Eugene Trubowitz*

Groups, representation of groups, representation theory of finite groups, symmetric eigenvalue problems, rotation and Lorentz group, Lie algebra, representation of Lie groups, representation theory of  $SU(N)$ , Fourier transformations and Schwartz space

## **METHODS OF NUMERICAL MATHEMATICS**

*Lecturer: Dr. Vasile Gradinaru*

Zeros finding, Fixed point, bisection, Newton iteration, Damped Newton method, QR-decomposition, SVD, least squares, Gauss-Newton method, direct eigensolvers, PINVIT, Krylov subspace methods, polynomial interpolation, Newton, Lagrange and Chebychev polynomials, trigonometric interpolation (DFT, FFT), numerical quadrature, Euler methods, Störmer-Verlet, splitting methods, Runge-Kutta methods, Stiff integrators

## **PHYSICS I**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Friedrich Simmel*

Kinematics, dynamics, work, energy, rotations, many-particle systems, theory of gravitation, rigid body dynamics, thermodynamics, differential equations, oscillations

## **PHYSICS II**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Friedrich Simmel*

Waves, electro statics, electrical conductors, electrical current, introduction into SRT, field of moving particles, magnetic fields, electromagnetic induction, alternating current, Maxwell equations, electromagnetic fields in matter

## **PHYSICS III**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Jonathan Home*

Introduction into quantum mechanics, hydrogen atom, spin, multi-electron systems, physics of the nucleus, molecules, optics, statistical physics

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## **ASTROPHYSICS I**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Alexandre Refregier*

Coordinate systems, magnitude scale, different bands, interaction of radiation with matter, basic equations of stellar structure, HR-diagram, nucleosyntheses, galactic shape and size, properties of our galaxy, ISM phases, stellar dynamics, plasma astrophysics, Jeans instability, extra-galactic astrophysics, unification scheme, space-time dynamics, Friedman equation, radiation and matter dominated universe, thermal history of the universe, gravitational lensing

## **INTRODUCTION TO NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Günther Dissertori*

Detector systems and accelerators, basic constituents of matter (quarks, leptons) and their interactions (QED, QCD, weak interaction), symmetries and symmetry violations, electroweak interaction, Standard Model and fundamental open questions, nuclei structure and stability, fusion and fission, neutrino physics

## **INTRODUCTION TO SOLID STATE PHYSICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Klaus Ensslin*

Lattice structures, interatomic bindings, lattice dynamics, thermal properties of insulators, metals (classical and quantum mechanical description of electronic states, thermal and transport properties of metals), semiconductors (band structure and n/p-type doping), magnetism, superconductivity

## **GENERAL MECHANICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Renato Renner*

Newtonian mechanics, central force problem, oscillations, Lagrangian mechanics, symmetries and conservation laws, spinning top, relativistic space-time structure, particles in an electromagnetic field, Hamiltonian mechanics, canonical transformations, integrable systems, Hamilton-Jacobi equation

## **ELECTRODYNAMICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Thomas K. Gehrman*

Electrostatics, boundary value problem, magnetostatics, Maxwell equations, electromagnetic waves, SRT, electrodynamics in matter, conservation laws, reflection, refraction, dispersion, wave guide, field point charge, radiation relativistic particles

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## **THEORY OF HEAT**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Renato Renner*

Ideal gas, laws of thermodynamics, thermodynamic potentials, phase transitions, compositions and chemical reactions, Boltzmann equation, H-theorem, classical statistical physics, spin phase transitions (Ising, Heisenberg, XY), Maxwell daemon

## **QUANTUM MECHANICS I**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Gian Michele Graf*

Historical concepts (Planck), Schrödinger-equation, basic formalism (quantum states, operator, commutator, process of measuring), symmetries (translation, rotation and angular momentum), central forces, scattering processes, Schrödinger-, Heisenberg-, Dirac-picture, time reversal, perturbation theory, variational methods, theory of angular momentum

## **QUANTUM MECHANICS II**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Gian Michele Graf*

SO(3), SU(2) and their corresponding Lie algebras in quantum mechanics, Zeeman effect and spin, density operators (Stern-Gerlach measurement, pure and mixed states, Bloch sphere), time-dependent perturbation theory, Fermi's golden rule, emission- and absorption rates (Einstein coefficients), quantization of the electromagnetic field, identical particles (fermions, bosons), Pauli exclusion principle, braid group statistics and anyons, Thomas-Fermi atom, Hartree-Fock method, periodic table, second quantization, EPR paradox, hidden variables, Kochen-Specker theorem, Bell's inequality, quantum teleportation, Grover's algorithm

## **QUANTUM INFORMATION AND CRYPTOGRAPHY**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Stefan Wolf*

Topics related to quantum information science, the 2nd Law of Thermodynamics, information theory and cryptography, presentation on superdeterministic interpretation of quantum mechanics (cellular automaton interpretation by Gerard 't Hooft)

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## **GENERAL RELATIVITY**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Gian Michele Graf*

Differential geometry, manifold, Riemannian metric, connection, torsion and curvature, Special Relativity, Lorentzian metric, Equivalence principle, Tidal force and space-time curvature, Energy-momentum tensor, field equations, Newtonian limit, Post-Newtonian approximation, Schwarzschild solution, Mercury's perihelion precession, light deflection, Kerr metric, Hawking radiation, Gravitational waves

## **STATISTICAL PHYSICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Manfred Sgrist*

Kinetic gas theory, Master equation, H-theorem, Classical statistical physics, micro-canonical ensembles, canonical ensembles and grand-canonical ensembles, Quantum statistical physics, single particle, ideal quantum gases, fermions and bosons, Second quantization, Correlation functions, Bose-Einstein condensation, Bogolyubov theory, superfluidity, Mean field and Landau theory, Ising and Heisenberg model, Landau theory of phase transitions, fluctuations

## **INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Hans J. Herrmann*

Random number generators, phase transitions, percolation, Metropolis algorithm, Monte-Carlo integration, Ising model, random walks, Gauss-Seidel and Jacobi methods, gradient methods, finite element methods, finite volume methods, spectral methods, classical equations of motion, partial differential equations (wave equation, diffusion equation, Maxwell's equation, Navier-Stokes equation), Euler methods, Runge-Kutta methods, Predictor-Corrector methods, multigrid methods

## **COMPUTATIONAL STATISTICAL PHYSICS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Hans J. Herrmann*

Classical Monte-Carlo-simulations: finite-size scaling, cluster algorithms, histogram-methods, molecular dynamics simulations: long range interactions, Ewald summation, particle mesh methods, discrete elements, parallelization, canonical molecular dynamics, event-driven approach and contact dynamics

## **COMPUTER SCIENCE**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Bernd Gärtner*

Introduction to computer science (C++), algorithms, data types, operators, loops, pointers, dynamic memory allocation, multi-dimensional arrays, functions, iteration, recursion, structs, classes, random numbers, binary search trees

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## **HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING 1A: USING RESOURCES**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Romain Teyssier, Doug Potter*

Introduction to high performance computing and available resources, available supercomputers (ETHZ, UZH, CSCS, PRACE), proposal structure, cloud computing and storage, data storage and management, running jobs, storing data at specific available platforms, characterising work, estimating requirements, choosing platforms

## **HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING 1B: PARALLEL COMPUTING**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Romain Teyssier*

Architecture of parallel computers, parallel compilers and libraries, code design, parallelization: load balancing, message passing and synchronization, libraries for message passing (MPI, OpenMP), data movement, parallelization of a grid code using MPI (Godunov hydro solver)

## **INTRODUCTION TO DATA SCIENCE**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. George Lake, Riccardo Murri*

Definition of data science, hypothesis testing and discovery science, fraud and outliers, relational databases, relational algebra, MapReduce, NoSQL (PIG, Spark), graph analytics, topics in machine learning (bootstrap, K-means, SVM), visualization

## **BEGINNERS LAB I & II**

*Lecturer: Dr. Martin Saß, Prof. Bernd Schönfeld*

Experiments on mechanic (chaotic), thermodynamic, electromagnetic, optical and radioactive systems, error analysis

## **ADVANCED LAB**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Christoph Grab, Prof. Dr. Thomas Ihn*

Advanced experiments covering topics of Solid-state physics, Astrophysics, Quantum physics and Particle physics.

## **INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

*Lecturer: Dr. Jakob Kellenberger (ICRC)*

Basic principles of international law and law of war, Geneva Conventions and additional protocols, Hague Conventions, international and non-international armed conflicts, humanitarian aid

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## **ECONOMY**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. Renate Schubert*

Behavior of companies and individuals on free markets, market equilibrium and taxation, social product economy indicators, unemployment, economic growth, economic policy

## **VENTURE CHALLENGE**

*Lecturer: Philipp Winteler (Venturelab, St. Gallen)*

Business Opportunity, Business Strategy, New Product Development, Industrialization, Marketing, Communications, Sales, Negotiation, Accounting, Finance, Business Plan, Intellectual Property, Financing

## **MODELLING SOCIAL SYSTEMS WITH MATLAB**

*Lecturer: Stefano Balietti, Karsten Donnay*

Project with MATLAB (Swiss Railway Formation) and theoretical background on operations with matrices and vectors, differential equations, statistical tools, graphical representation of data, agent-based models, e.g. models of interactive decision making, group dynamics, human crowds, or game-theoretical models

## **INTRODUCTION TO DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS AND CHAOS**

*Lecturer: Prof. Dr. David Feldman (Santa Fe Institute)*

Iterated functions and differential equations, chaos and the Butterfly Effect, bifurcations, universality, phase space, strange attractors, pattern formation

## **AUDITOR**

Data Mining: Learning from Large Data Sets (Prof. Dr. Andreas Krause), Programming Techniques for Scientific Simulations (Prof. Dr. Matthias Troyer), Computational Quantum Physics (Prof. Dr. Matthias Troyer), Complex Systems (Prof. Dr. Ruedi Stoop)