

Basic/Essential Course Information	
Course title	Physics Applications of Group Theory
Degree Course title	Physics
ECTS	4
Compulsory attendance	No
Course teaching language	ENGLISH

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ECTS Details	Disciplinary area/broad field:	SSD	ECTS
		FIS/02	4

Time management and teaching activity type	Period	Year	lesson type
	1st semester	2	Lessons (32h)

Time management	Total hours	in-class/in-lab study hours	out-of-class study hours
	100	32	68

Course calendar	Starting date	Ending date
	First week of October	Third week of December

Syllabus	
Prerequisites	Basic Physics and Mathematics knowledge
Expected learning outcomes (according to Dublin Descriptors)	<p>Knowledge and understanding: Understanding the concept of symmetry in physics</p> <p>Applying knowledge and understanding: Implementation of a symmetry in physical models</p> <p>Making judgements: Ability to proceed autonomously in the study of physical symmetries</p> <p>Communication: Ability to express the acquired knowledge properly</p> <p>Lifelong learning skills: Ability to study independently from texts and scientific literature</p>

Course contents summary	Knowledge of basic concepts of Group Theory and Lie Algebras. Applications of this knowledge to physical models
detailed syllabus	<p>Introduction to Symmetry in Physics; Groups and Representations</p> <p>Definitions and examples</p> <p>Group of Permutations S_n</p> <p>General properties of groups</p> <p>Conjugation classes</p> <p>Subgroups. Normal subgroups. Homomorphisms.</p> <p>Group representations</p> <p>Schur Lemmas. Orthogonality theorem. Characters. Character table. Direct product and decomposition</p> <p>Symmetric group S_n and its representations. Young tableaux. Irreps of $SU(N)$ and S_n. Tensorial method.</p> <p>Lie groups.</p> <p>$SO(2), SO(3)$ and $SU(2)$.</p> <p>$SU(N)$</p> <p>Young tableaux.</p> <p>Lie Algebras</p> <p>Simple Lie Algebras. Killing form. Root quantization. Dynkin diagrams. Weights and representations.</p>
books	<p>H.F. Jones, <i>Groups, Representations and Physics</i>, Taylor & Francis; 2 edition</p> <p>H. Georgi, <i>Lie Algebras In Particle Physics: from Isospin To Unified Theories</i> (Frontiers in Physics), Westview Press; 2 edition (October 22, 1999)</p> <p>F. Stancu, <i>Group Theory in Subnuclear Physics</i>, Oxford Studies in Nuclear Physics</p>
notes	
Teaching methods	Lessons on the board
Assessment % of final mark	Oral test (100%)
Evaluation criteria	Adequate comprehension and global knowledge of concepts and arguments described throughout the course.