

## *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

### *Syllabus*

## *Introduction to Computational Physics - 77315*

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*HU Credits:* 4

*Degree/Cycle:* 1st degree (Bachelor)

*Responsible Department:* Physics

*Academic year:* 0

*Semester:* 2nd Semester

*Teaching Languages:* Hebrew

*Campus:* E. Safra

*Course/Module Coordinator:* Dr. Shimon Asida

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*Coordinator Office Hours:* sunday 15:00

*Teaching Staff:*

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Dr. Shimon Asida

Course/Module description:

An introductory course to Computational Physics. Includes Mathematical background, algorithms and major Physical applications. Exercises using Python.

Course/Module aims:

Basic knowledge and experience in Computational Physics.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

Examine physical problem and various methods for computational solution.  
To implement different algorithms for solving physical problems.  
Consider various properties of numerical solution such as accuracy, stability and efficiency.  
Check correctness of computed solution.  
Examine feasibility of various options of parallel computation for solving physical problem.

Attendance requirements(%):

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Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lecture notes for self learning  
lectures  
exercises

Course/Module Content:

round off errors, accuracy and stability  
numerical differentiation  
interpolation  
numerical integration of functions  
root finding in one dimension  
solution of a set of linear equations  
Eigen vectors and Eigen values  
root finding in multi dimensions  
minimum finding  
Ordinary Differential Equations  
Partial Differential Equations

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*initial value problems*  
*diffusion equation*  
*advection equation*  
*Hydrodynamics*  
*Monte-Carlo methods*  
*introduction to parallel computing*

*Required Reading:*

*None*

*Additional Reading Material:*

*None*

*Grading Scheme:*

*Essay / Project / Final Assignment / Home Exam / Referat 25 %*  
*Submission assignments during the semester: Exercises / Essays / Audits / Reports*  
*/ Forum / Simulation / others 75 %*

*Additional information:*

*None*