



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Quantum Theory I - 77318

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HU Credits: 6

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Physics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: E. Safra

Course/Module Coordinator: Prof Shmuel Elitzur

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Course/Module description:

The course will deal briefly with the history of quantum mechanics, the basis of the theory (inc. formalism), and in Schrodinger's equation.

Course/Module aims:

See learning outcomes

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

1. Solve simple spectrum and one-dimension scattering problems.
2. Make use of the formalism of quantum mechanics.
3. Solve problems of the harmonic oscillator.

Attendance requirements(%):

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Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lecture, recitation.

Course/Module Content:

1. Historical introduction - key experiments.
2. The mathematical foundations of QM - The state vector, Operators, representation in different bases, the Postulates, Expectation values, the uncertainty principle
3. Position and Momentum representation, Particle as a wave packet, Ehrenfest theorem, Time dependant and independent Schrödinger's equation
4. A particle in one dimension - Bound and propagating states, Scattering, Tunneling, Probability current, free falling
5. Multiple degrees of freedom - Tensor product spaces
5. Harmonic Oscillator - Eigenstates in Energy, Position and Momentum representation, Coherent states
6. The WKB approximation

Required Reading:

None

Additional Reading Material:

Cohen-Tannoudji

Massiah

Griffiths

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 90 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 10 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information:

None