

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Solid State Physics - 77602

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Physics

<u>Academic year:</u> 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

<u>Campus:</u> E. Safra

<u>Course/Module Coordinator:</u> Dr. Zohar Ringel

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Teaching Staff:

Dr. Zohar Ringel Mr. Hen Alpern

<u>Course/Module description:</u> The course will cover basic and advanced topics in Solid State Physics

Course/Module aims:

The students will be familiar with basic concepts in solid state physics: Crystal structure, Quasi-crystals, Electronic band structures, Metals, Insulators, the Quantum Hall Effect, Anderson Localization in low dimensions, and Magnetic phenomena.

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

The students will be familiar with basic concepts in solid state physics: Crystal structure, Quasi-crystals, Electronic band structures, Metals, Insulators, the Quantum Hall Effect, Anderson Localization, and Magnetic phenomena such as paramagnets, ferromagnets, and spin-liquids

Attendance requirements(%):

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Frontal lectures, TA hour, weekly exercise.

Course/Module Content:

1. Background

- 2. Crystal structure: Periodic structure, Bravais Lattice, reciprocal lattice.
- 3. X ray diffraction.
- 4. Quasicrystals.

5. Electronic band structure: Bloch theorem; The nearly free electron approximation, energy bands.

- 6. Electronic band structure: Tight binding approximation.
- 7. Conductance.
- 8. Graphene.
- 9. The Quantum Hall Effect
- 10. Transport in disorder quantum wires.
- 11. Super-exchange interactions
- 12. Magnetic phenomena.

<u>Required Reading:</u> The course will be based on the following text books: 1. Kittel 2. Ashcroft & Mermin

3. Topological Insulators and Topological Superconductors

B. Andrei Bernevig with Taylor L. Hughes

<u>Additional Reading Material:</u> Will be given during the course

<u>Course/Module evaluation:</u> End of year written/oral examination 80 % Presentation 0 % Participation in Tutorials 0 % Project work 0 % Assignments 10 % Reports 0 % Research project 0 % Quizzes 10 % Other 0 %

<u>Additional information:</u> None