Module title | Abbreviation
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Advanced Computer Tomography | 11-CTA-Int-201-m01

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ECTS | Method of grading | Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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6 | numerical grade | --

Duration | Module level | Other prerequisites
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1 semester | graduate | --

Contents

This advanced course focuses on the details of modern computed tomography (CT), which is employed both in medical and industrial imaging applications. In addition to the technicalities of CT systems and their application to various tasks in engineering and medical science, this lecture emphasizes on the mathematics of “inverting the Radon transform”. Starting with the simple Filtered Back Projection method which is applied to a variety of standard recording geometries (parallel, fan, cone, helix) the advanced course lays out the strategies for algebraic reconstruction techniques (ART) along with many types of regularization schemes which may accompany these methods. Students will have the opportunity to see how Radon data is recorded and how different error sources as well as the corresponding correction schemes influence the outcome of the reconstructed volume images. Finally the most common tools for volume image analysis are presented, such as distance transforms, watersheds, labelling and fiber orientation analysis.

Intended learning outcomes

The student know the concept of Computed tomography (CT) and its applications. From the formulation of the basic inverse problem posed by this technique the students are able to derive strategies for different numerical solutions, based on Fourier analysis and/or based on probability theory. Most importantly the students have a firm impression (first-hand experience) of the various sources of measurement errors in CT which can impede any well-prepared reconstruction.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Module taught in: English

Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

a) written examination (approx. 90 to 120 minutes) or b) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes) or c) oral examination in groups (groups of 2, approx. 30 minutes per candidate) or d) project report (approx. 8 to 10 pages) or e) presentation/talk (approx. 30 minutes).

If a written examination was chosen as method of assessment, this may be changed and assessment may instead take the form of an oral examination of one candidate each or an oral examination in groups. If the method of assessment is changed, the lecturer must inform students about this by four weeks prior to the original examination date at the latest.

Language of assessment: English

Allocation of places

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Additional information

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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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Module appears in

Master’s degree (1 major) Physics International (2020)