Module description

Module title					Abbreviation
Statistical Mechanics, Thermodynamics and Electrodynamics					11-STE-092-m01
Module coordinator				Module offered by	
Managing Director of the Institute of Theoretical Physics and Astrophysics				Faculty of Physics and Astronomy	
ECTS Method of grading		Only after succ. compl. of module(s)			
16 numerical grade					
Duration		Module level	Other prerequisites		
2 semester		undergraduate	10-M1-PHY and 10-M2-PHY or 10-M1-NST and 10-M2-NST		
Contents					
Principles of Statistical Physics: Ideal systems. Thermodynamics: Quantum statistics, systems of interacting par- ticles, critical phenomena, Maxwell equations, electrostatics, magnetostatics, Maxwell equations in matter, dy- namics of electromagnetic fields. Special relativity.					
Intended learning outcomes					
The students have advanced knowledge of the methods of Theoretical Physics. They know the principles of elec- trodynamics, thermodynamics and statistical mechanics. They are familiar with the corresponding calculation methods and are able to independently apply them to the description and solution of problems in this area.					
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)					
Statistische Mechanik und Thermodynamik (Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics): V (4 weekly contact hours) + Ü (2 weekly contact hours), once a year (winter semester) Theoretische Elektrodynamik (Theoretical Electrodynamics): V (4 weekly contact hours) + Ü (2 weekly contact hours), once a year (summer semester)					
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether					
		le for bonus)			
 This module has the following assessment components 1. Topics covered in lectures and exercises in part 1 (Statistische Mechanik und Thermodynamik (Statistical Mechanics and Thermodynamics)): written examination (approx. 120 minutes). 2. Topics covered in lectures and exercises in part 2 (Theoretische Elektrodynamik (Theoretical Electrodynamics)): written examination (approx. 120 minutes). 3. Topics covered in lectures and exercises in parts 1 and 2: oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes, usually chosen) or written examination (approx. 120 minutes). 					
Assessment component 3 will be offered in German; English if agreed upon with examiner(s). Successful completion of approx. 50% of practice work each is a prerequisite for admission to assessment com- ponents 1 and 2.					
Students are highly recommended to attend both courses Statistische Mechanik und Thermodynamik (Statisti- cal Mechanics and Thermodynamics) and Theoretische Elektrodynamik (Theoretical Electrodynamics). The topics discussed in these two courses will be covered in assessment component 3. Students must register for assessment components 1 through 3 online (details to be announced). To pass this module, students must first pass assessment component 1 or 2 and must then pass assessment component 3. The grade achieved in assessment component 1 or 2 (whichever is better) and the grade achieved in assessment					
component 3 will each count 50% towards the overall grade awarded for the module.					
Allocation of places					
Additional information					
Workload					

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Teaching cycle

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

Module appears in

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Mathematics (2012)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Mathematics (2013)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Physics (2010)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Physics (2012)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Nanostructure Technology (2010)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Mathematical Physics (2009)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Mathematical Physics (2012)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Computational Mathematics (2012)

Bachelor' degree (1 major) Computational Mathematics (2013)

Bachelor's degree (1 major, 1 minor) Physics (Minor, 2010)

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