

Module title		Abbreviation
Theoretical Quantum Optics		11-TQO-221-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)
8	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	--
Contents		
1. Semi-classical atom-field interactions 2. Interaction of atoms with quantized light fields and dressed-atom model 3. Master equation and open systems 4. Coherence and interference effects 5. Coherent light propagation in resonant media 6. Photon statistics and correlations 7. Quantum optics of many-body systems		
Intended learning outcomes		
Comprehensive understanding of phenomena involving light and its interaction with atoms at the microscopical level. Knowledge of density matrix formalism for quantum systems and the related mathematical concepts. In-depth understanding of quantum properties of light and their experimental signatures, including photon statistics and correlations. Knowledge of the theory of open systems and master equation description involving Lindblad superoperators. Understanding and modeling the role of coherence and interference in light propagation effects in resonant atomic media. Knowledge of cooperative effects in many-body systems: super- and subradiance, collective light shifts and their applications.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
V (4) + R (2) Module taught in: German or 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)		
written examination (approx. 90 to 120 minutes) or oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 30 minutes) or oral examination in groups (groups of 2, approx. 30 minutes per candidate) or project report (approx. 8 to 10 pages) or 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. Assessment offered: In the semester in which the course is offered and in the subsequent semester Language of assessment: German and/or English		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
240 h		
Teaching cycle		
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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) Mathematical Physics (2016)

Master's degree (1 major) Physics (2020)

Master's degree (1 major) Mathematical Physics (2020)

Master's degree (1 major) Quantum Technology (2021)

Master's degree (1 major) Mathematical Physics (2022)