



SI1151 Quantum Physics 6.0 credits

Kvantfysik

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

Establishment

Course syllabus for SI1151 valid from Autumn 2014

Grading scale

A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Education cycle

First cycle

Main field of study

Technology

Specific prerequisites

Recommended prerequisites: Physics corresponding to modern physics (SH1009), mathematical methods of physics (SI1140).

Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

Intended learning outcomes

After finished course the student should be able to:

- Describe the scientific basis for quantum physics.
- Apply quantum mechanical formalism to physical problems.
- Have a good insight into important application of quantum physics.

Course contents

The basis of quantum mechanics and its postulates. The solution of the Schrödinger equation with simple potentials using analytical and numerical methods. The harmonic oscillator. The bracket notation of Dirac. Operator formalism and commutators. Angular momentum and spin. Matrix representation of quantum mechanics. The Pauli principle. Addition of angular momentum. None-degenerate and degeneratad time independent perturbation treatment with applications. Coupling of spinn and angular momentum. The Zeeman effect. Hyperfine structure. Introduction to time dependent perturbation calculations and the Fermis golden rule. Charged particles in elektromagnetic fields. Introduction to scattering theory and the Born approximation. The hydrogen and helium atoms. Simple molecules.

Course literature

D.J. Griffiths, Introduction to Quantum Mechanics, 2nd ed., Pearson (2005).

Examination

- TENA - Examination, 6.0 credits, grading scale: A, B, C, D, E, FX, F

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years.

Other requirements for final grade

One written examination (TEN1, 6 university credits)

Ethical approach

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.

- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.