

RADIATIVE PROCESSES IN ATOMS AND NUCLEI

MODULE	TOPIC	SUBJECT	COURSE	SEMESTER	ECTS	CHARACTER
Radiation Physics and technology	Radiation physics: new developments and applications	Radiative processes in atoms and nuclei	1	1	6	Optional/Compulsory
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			TUTORING SCHEDULE			
			Amaro: M,W,F, 12:00--14:00 Buendia: M,T,W, 10--11 and 12--13 Gálvez: M,T, 9--12			
MASTER						
Master in physics: radiation, nanotechnology, particles and astrophysics						
REQUISITES AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS						
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS						
Atomic and molecular structure Interaction processes with electromagnetic fields. Gamma and beta decay.						
OBJETIVES						
<i>The student will know/understand:</i> The theories on the atomic and nuclear structure beyond the independent particle picture. The quantum theory of electromagnetic field interaction with atoms and nuclei. The Fermi theory of weak interaction.						
<i>The student will be able to:</i>						



To determine the multipoles contributing to the atomic and nuclear transitions. To evaluate the Fermi and Gamow-Teller transitions in beta decay.

CONTENTS OF THE COURSE

- **1. Atomic structure:** Independent particle models. Making states with angular momentum. Hartree-Fock equations. Optimized effective potential. Multiconfiguration approximation. Dynamic correlations. Electromagnetic field interaction with atoms. Transition probabilities between atomic states. Photoionization.
- **2. Nuclear structure:** State vectors in independent particle models. LS- and jj-couplings and isospin quantum numbers. Models based on generating functions and angular momentum projection. Dynamic correlations. Monte Carlo calculation of expectation values.
- **3. Nuclear radiation:** Quantum theory of the interaction of charged and magnetic particles with the radiation. Gamma radiation. Electromagnetic multipoles. Beta radiation. Fermi theory of weak interaction. Fermi and Gamow-Teller transitions. Neutrinos.
- **4. Some applications:** Electromagnetic transitions: calculation of transition probabilities between bound states in atoms and nuclei. Cross sections for one-electron and one-nucleon knock-out. Alpha decay: calculation of meanlives as a function of the energy and nuclear effects.

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USEFUL LINKS

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METHODOLOGY

Lectures: To transmit the contents of the subject, motivating the students to reflection, facilitating the discovery of relationships between different concepts and promoting a critical mindset.

Seminars: To develop in the students the cognitive and procedural skills of the subject.

Academic tutoring: To guide the autonomous and team work of students, focusing on different aspects of the subjects and guide the comprehensive academic training of the student.

Study and independent work of students: To foster in the student the ability to self-regulate their learning, by planning, designing, evaluating and adapting it to their particular conditions and interests.

Teamwork: To encourage students in the generation and exchange of ideas, identification and analysis of different views on a topic, generalization or transfer of knowledge and critical assessment of it.

EVALUATION SYSTEM

1. Final exams: Evaluation of the results of a work proposed by the teacher (50%)
2. Problems and exercises. Written and oral presentation of the solution of the physical problems proposed by the teacher

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

