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Quantum field theory 1

In view of the health context linked to the spread of the coronavirus, the methods of organisation and evaluation of the learning units could be adapted in different situations; these possible new methods have been - or will be - communicated by the teachers to the students.

10 credits 52.5 h + 7.5 h Q1	
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Teacher(s)	Degrande Céline ;Drewes Marco ;					
Language :	English					
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve					
Main themes	This teaching unit is an introduction to quantum field theory. After a historical introduction, the main focus lies on quantum electrodynamics.					
Aims	 a. Contribution of the teaching unit to the learning outcomes of the program (PHYS2M and PHYS2M1) 1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 2.1, 2.5, 3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 4.1, 8.1, 8.2. b. Specific learning outcomes of the teaching unit At the end of this teaching unit, the student will be able to : 					
	 put the development of modern particle physics into a historical perspective ; 					
	 quantize photon and electron fields ; compute elementary processor in quantum electrodynamics 					
	5. Compute elementary processes in quantum electrodynamics.					
	The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".					
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Oral exam, partly based on the project report.					
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Lecture, tutorials, integrative project.					
Content	Historical introduction					
Content	Relativity and quantum mechanics					
	Representations of the Lorentz group					
	Quantization of photon and electron fields					
	Quantum electrodynamics					
Bibliography	Notes sur la genèse de la théorie quantique des champs (1897-1947). // Written notes on the genesis of quantum field theory (1897-1947).					
	Mandl and Shaw – Quantum Field Theory (Chapters 1 to 10).					
	Peskin and Schroeder – An Introduction to Quantum Field Theory (Part I).					
Faculty or entity in charge	PHYS					

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)							
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims			
Master [60] in Physics	PHYS2M1	10		٩			
Master [120] in Physics	PHYS2M	10		٩			