Level: b	achelor
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Course title: Crystal X-ray Diffraction and Structure Analysis

Status: elective

ECTS: 6

Requirements: -

Learning objectives:

This course covers the following topics: X-ray diffraction: symmetry, space groups, geometry of diffraction, structure factors, phase problem, direct methods, Patterson methods, structure refinement, powder methods, limits of X-ray diffraction methods, and structure data bases.

Learning outcomes:

The overall competence is acquiring knowledge and students' ability for individual and team scientific research work in the field of applying physical concepts of X-ray diffraction and structure solution.

The specific competences are, for example:

Knowledge and Understanding:

- define concepts such as lattice, point and space groups
- be familiar with Bragg's Law and explain its the relation to crystal structure
- identify and describe different diffraction methods
- be familiar with crystal structure solution methods

Skills:

- the intellectual skills associated with the assimilation of educational subject matter; preparation of notes, revision material, the ability to access and utilise information from a variety of sources
- ability to apply knowledge of math and physics
- knowledge of contemporary issues

Syllabus:

Theoretical instruction

- 1. Materials and materials properties
- 2. What is a crystal structure?
- 3. Lattices and symmetries
- 4. Reciprocal lattice
- 5. Crystal symmetry
- 6. Point groups
- 7. Plane groups and space group
- 8. X-ray diffraction: geometry
- 9. X-ray diffraction: intensity
- 10. About crystal structures and diffraction patterns
- 11. Practical aspects of X-ray diffraction
- 12. Solving crystal structure
- 13. Limits of X-ray diffraction methods
- 14. Structure data bases

Practical instruction

1. Experimental exercises in the Laboratory of X-ray diffraction. Experimatal work on powder and single crystal diffractometer. Working with computer programs in the package WinGX

Literature:

- 1. W. Borchardt-Ott, Crystallography, Springer, 2011
- 2. William Clegg, X-Ray Crystallography, Oxford University Press, 2015
- 3. W. Clegg (ed.), Crystal Structure Analysis, Oxford University Press, 2009
- 4. M. Ladd, R. Palmer, Structure Determination by X-ray Crystallography, Springer, 2013
 - 5. G.S. Girolami, X-ray Crystallography, University Science Books, 2016

Weekly teaching load			Other:	
Lectures:	Exercises:	Other forms of teaching:	Student research:	
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