

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

## Many body physics 708 (PHY 708)

<b>Qualification</b>	Postgraduate
<b>Faculty</b>	<a href="#">Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences</a>
<b>Module credits</b>	15.00
<b>Prerequisites</b>	No prerequisites.
<b>Contact time</b>	6 lectures per week
<b>Language of tuition</b>	English
<b>Academic organisation</b>	Physics
<b>Period of presentation</b>	Semester 1

### Module content

Second quantisation. Coherent states. Single particle behaviour. Hartree-Fock – perturbation – linearisation of operators. Quasi-particles, effective mass and applications: atom physics, electron gas, one dimensional delta function. Collective behaviour. Tamm- Dancoff approximation: linearisation. Time dependent Hartree-Fock. Random phase approximation. Applications: giant dipole resonance, screening in an electron gas, correlation energy in an electron gas, plasma oscillations, zero sound. Canonical transformation – Cooper pairs, BSC theory. Thomas-Fermi theory. Density functional theory. Superconduction. Ginzberg-Landau theory. Zero field finite temperature BCS.

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