

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2022

Quantum mechanics 703 (PHY 703)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	15.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	4 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Physics
Period of presentation	Semester 1

Module content

Origins of quantum mechanics; Mathematical tools; Postulates and quantization; Conservation laws; Onedimensional problems; Linear harmonic oscillator; Three-dimensional problems; Angular momentum; Hydrogen atom; Addition of angular momenta; Spin; Approximate methods (WKB, variational approach, timeindependent perturbations); Time-dependent perturbations; Scattering; Partial wave scattering; Identical particles; Hartree-Fock approach; Many-body problems and quantum statistics; Second quantisation; Relativistic equations.

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