# **Solid State Physics I**

Vorlesung / Lectures: Wednesday 13h00 – 15h45 Raum / Room: Y36-K-08 https://www.uzh.ch/cmsssl/physik/de/lehre/PHY210/FS2017.html

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## **Examples of condensed matter**



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## **Historical periods**

### Bronze age

### Iron age

### Silicon age





## **Conducting Materials**







#### **Conductors**

Copper

### Semi-conductors

**Super-conductors** 

Silicon

Nb₃Sn

# **Interesting Material Properties**



http://www.ccas-web.org/superconductivity/renewableenergy/

#### Thermoelectricity



http://www.green-energy-news.com/arch/nrgs2011/20110051.html





http://phys.org/news/2012-09-intelligent-windows-future.html



#### http://www.yourdictionary.com/magnetoresistance

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# **Many-Body Physics**



#### http://web.physics.ucsb.edu/~weld/



## **Example: Superconductivity**



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## Ising model of magnetism?



Initial Configuration



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## **Course Evaluation (Exam)**

#### Last years exam structure:

(1) 7.5 min student presentation of 1 one out of 8 pre-defined topics

(2) 7.5 min discussion of one of the exercises

(3) 10 min questions spread over the material covered during the lecture

This years exam: (written or oral)

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(2) Testing problem solving skills.

(3) Testing general knowledge.

Most likely exam dates: 8 & 9<sup>th</sup> of June.

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### **Activities:**

- Lectures
- Exercise classes
- Student presentations
- Home studies

## **Exercise Class**

#### From the course webpage:

1. Hand in the exercises every Wednesday.

2. Exercise class is mandatory. *Write to Stefan and Daniel in case of justified absence*.

3. No minimal point requirement, but hand in every exercise sheet.

4. Exam questions can be related to exercises.

## **Lectures: Student presentation**

#### **Every lecture has 1-2 student presentations (5-10 min)**

- A. Summary presentation (Beginning of each lecture)
- B. Perspective presentation
- C. Derivation presentation

## **Practical information**

Solid State Physics course + Praktikum = 8 ETCS points

Final grade = 3/4 and 1/4 weighted average

30 ETCS points per semester  $\implies$  8 ETCS points  $\approx$  8-9 hours per week

Proposed work-load distribution						
Lectures +	Ex. Class	Reading / Studying	Solve Exercises			
4 hours		~2 hours	~2 hours			

Strategy / Advice

(1) Solve the exercises your self.

(2) Read and study continuously

(3) Be active during the lecture and exercise class

## **Course Content**

- I. Crystal structures
- II. Structures in reciprocal space
- III. Crystal bindings
- IV. Crystal vibrations

#### **Crystal structures and Vibrations**

- VI. Free electron gasses
- VII. Electronic band structure
- VIII. Semiconductors

#### **Electronic properties**

#	Dates	Title	Exercise	Challenge index (1=easy, 10=hard)
1	22.2	Introduction	VESTA	2-3
2	01.3	Crystal structures	Daniel - info	4
3	08.03	Reciprocal space	Discuss Ex. 1	6
4	15.03	Scattering Theory	Discuss Ex. 2	8-9
5	22.03	Crystal bindings	Discuss Ex. 3	5
6	29.03	Phonons	Discuss Ex. 4	5-6
7	05.04	Thermal properties	Discuss Ex. 5	5-6
8	12.04	Electron gasses	Discuss Ex. 6	5-6
9	26.04	Specific heat	Discuss Ex. 7	5-6
10	03.05	Electronic band struc.	Discuss Ex. 8	7
11	10.05	Fermi surfaces	Discuss Ex. 9	8
12	17.05	Guest lecture	Discuss Ex. 10	?
13	24.05	Semi-conductors	Discuss Ex. 11	6
14	31.05	Repetition		

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7	05.04	Thermal properties	Discuss Ex. 5	
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## Literature



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## **Crystals found in the Swiss Alps**

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https://www.pinterest.com/pin/157485318197523216/

## **Crystals found in the Swiss Alps**



Pink calcite



Ice crystals



Topaz



Cinnabar

## Metals found in nature



## How are crystals / materials build?





www.shutterstock.com - 124139017

### **Crystal structures**



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## Your task for this week

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- 2. Checkout the exercise sheet on the course webpage.

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