

SUBJECT TEACHING GUIDE

384 - Simulation and Modelling of New Materials

Master's Degree in New Materials

Academic year 2024-2025

1. IDENTIFYING DATA					
Degree	Master's Degree in New Materials			Type and Year	Optional. Year 1
Faculty	Faculty of Sciences				
Discipline	General Optional Module				
Course unit title and code	384 - Simulation and Modelling of New Materials				
Number of ECTS credits allocated	5	Term	Semester based (2)		
Web					
Language of instruction	Spanish	English Friendly	Yes	Mode of delivery	Face-to-face

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3.1 LEARNING OUTCOMES	
- Computational simulation of the electronic properties of multielectronic atoms and nanoparticles: binding energy, ground state geometrical configuration, metastable states, electronic density of states, reactivity, electronic bands, vibrational properties...	Electronic and structural properties of solids.
- Computational simulation of the macroscopic properties of the bulk materials (elasticity, thermal conductivity, ...)	
- Approach to the different actual computational methods to tackle with specific problems of the microscopic and macroscopic behavior of the materials.	
- Actual use of some of the computer codes for the micro and macro simulation of the properties of the materials.	

4. OBJECTIVES

Computational methods for the simulation and modeling of the properties of materials. The students must perform actual simulations.

Elementary description of Density Functional Theory (DFT) as a tool to simulate the quantum electronic properties of any material. Use of different codes to perform the actual calculations: SIESTA-

In the case of macroscopic systems: Use of programs based in the Finite Elements Method (FEM) to solve structural (elasticity and plasticity), electromagnetic and thermal (conduction and convection) problems, and to describe the mutual interplay.

To stress the relevance of these kind of methods in the modern material science . These methods allow for the prediction of the behavior of the materials and they contribute to improve the design of new mechanical or electronic devices.

6. SUBJECT PROGRAM

CONTENTS

1	Quantum description of electronic systems. Schrödinger equation. Multielectronic wave function and density. Norm-conserving pseudo potential theory. Properties: transferability and softness.
2	Density Functiona Theory (DFT) Kohn-Sham equations and solving methods. Electronic, structural, and vibrational properties of molecules and aggregated systems using the SIESTA code .
3	Advanced supercomputation applied to the description of the electronic properties of crystals using the Density Functional Method. Use of the code SIESTA.
4	Finite Elements Method (FEM): Modelization and simulation of electromagnetic problems. Programs FEMM and Comsol Multiphysics.
5	Finite Elements Method (FEM) II: Use of the ANSYS code to simulate thermo-mechanical properties (elasticity, plasticity and thermal conductivity)
6	Simulation of Thermomechanical problems II: Elasticity, plasticity and termal conductivity. Electromagnetic problems

7. ASSESSMENT METHODS AND CRITERIA

Description	Type	Final Eval.	Reassessn	%
Paper on simulations on atoms and molecules	Work	No	Yes	30,00
Paper on simulations on solids.	Work	No	Yes	20,00
Paper on simulations with finite element methods.	Work	No	Yes	20,00
Paper on simulations on thermomechanical macroscopic systems.	Work	No	Yes	30,00
TOTAL				100,00

Observations

The professors could propose the modification of the initial versions of the written memories, before the final evaluation. In order to pass the subject, a threshold mark of 2.0 over 10.0 is required in the four papers. Attendance at the sessions of the different teaching modalities is mandatory and may be used in the grading of the subject . In the case of repeated unjustified absences, at the discretion of the teaching staff, the evaluation will be carried out through a single test that will assess the level of acquisition of all the subject's skills, including practical ones.

Observations for part-time students

A report with the results of the simulations . There will be more flexibility with the deadlines to complete the reports. The reports should include an abstract in English.

8. BIBLIOGRAPHY AND TEACHING MATERIALS

BASIC

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