

	Monday 13.01.2025	Tuesday 14.01.2025	
Time	Name	Time	Name
8:00	Noah Rotunno	8:00	Raphael Honoré
8:25	Caspar Gutsche	8:25	Alexis DELEVAUX
8:55	Jan Stanisław Piaskowy	8:50	Léa Collet
9:25	Robin Schubert	9:15	Pilar Suarez Gerona
9:55	Matteo Meneghini	9:40	Matteo Montano
	BREAK	10:05	Pierre Marty
10:35	Gianluca Gumirato		BREAK
11:00	Hippolyte Monroe	10:45	Edouard Sommer
11:25	Nicola Zanotti	11:10	Fabien Heiniger
11:50	Gabriel Palsson	11:35	Caterina Frau
	LUNCH	12:00	Simon de Launoit
13:10	Edward van Klaveren	12:25	Antoine Flanquart
13:35	Emilie Ruckebusch		
14:00	Victor Garbit		
14:25	Lucas Amiot		
14:50	Hugo Barthod		
15:15	Davide Simeone		
	BREAK		
15:55	Igor Morozov		
16:20	Nicolas Albiani		
16:45	Marcin Behrendt		
17:10	Jordan Whittaker		
17:35	Andrea Balán		
18:00	Alberto Morrone		

#### PHYSICS OF NUCLEAR REACTOR



#### Exam:

Exams Date: January 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>

> Room: CM 013

ightharpoonup Oral – 20 min (+5min to setup) without preparation. Closed book.

➤ Consists in a course related question and a short exercise

✓ Random choice of 2 exam sheets, pick the sheet you like best

#### Example:

#### 1. General Question

Diffusion theory for monoenergetic neutrons

(Present the topic, clearly bringing out the principal physical phenomena involved.)

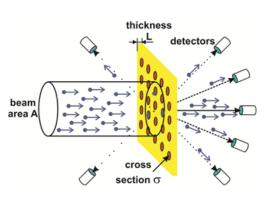
#### 2. Exercise

A beam of 1 MeV neutrons, with an intensity I strikes a gold foil ( $\approx 100~\%$   $^{197}$ Ag, density  $\rho_{Au}$ ). The thickness of the target is L. The beam has a cross-sectional area A. For 1 MeV neutrons, the total cross-section of  $^{197}$ Ag is  $\sigma_t$ .

(a) What is the interaction rate of the neutrons with the target?

(b) What is the probability that a neutron will suffer area A a collision while traversing the target?

Assume that the decrease of beam intensity in traversing the target is negligible.





- Physics of the fission process: probability of interaction, fission products and delayed neutrons
- Neutron lifecycle in thermal and fast system. Use the six-factor formula to explain the key physical phenomena
- Neutron balance equation and diffusion approximation
- Diffusion theory in multiplying media for monoenergetic neutrons



- Multigroup theory diffusion theory and application to LWR reactor modelling
- Neutron slowing down via elastic scattering and implications for LWR reactors
- Energy and space self-shielding; impact for reactor design / operation



- Point reactor kinetics
- Role of delayed neutrons during normal reactor operation and accidents. Comments on reactivity feedbacks during accidents
- Short-term variations of reactivity in a power reactor (effects occurring within a time-scale of seconds to minutes) and their impact on safety
- Long-term reactivity variations in a power reactor and their impact on control system design
- Reactivity feedback in liquid metal cooled reactors



- Design of a (PWR/BWR) and its components
- Design of a Liquid metal Fast Reactor and its components
- Breeding and transmutation in nuclear reactors
- Design of Gas Cooled Reactors and their components
- Design of Channel type Reactors and their components

## MOCK UP EXAM 1



- Skip exercise
- Two general questions:
- 1. Role of delayed neutrons during normal reactor operation and accidents. Comments on reactivity feedbacks during accidents
- 2. Design of a PWR and its components

# MOCK UP EXAM 2



- Skip exercise
- Two general questions:
- 1. Design of a Sodium Fast Reactor and its components
- 2. Neutron slowing down via elastic scattering and implications for LWR reactors

# MOCK UP EXAM 3



- Skip exercise
- Two general questions:
- 1. Breeding and transmutation in nuclear reactors
- 2. Neutron balance equation and diffusion approximation