

Category II

**Physical Science Courses
with Physics discipline as one of the Core Disciplines
(B. Sc. Physical Science with Physics as Major discipline)**

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE – PHYSICS DSC 6: SOLID STATE PHYSICS

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Solid State Physics PHYSICS DSC – 6	4	2	0	2	Class XII pass with Physics and Mathematics as main subjects	Understanding of basic concepts of Physics

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

This course introduces the basic concepts and principles required to understand the various properties exhibited by condensed matter, especially solids. It enables the students to appreciate how the interesting and wonderful properties exhibited by matter depend upon its atomic and molecular constituents. It also communicates the importance of solid state physics in modern society.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of the module students should be able to,

- Elucidate the concept of lattice, crystals and its planes
- Understand the elementary lattice dynamics and its influence on the properties of materials
- Understanding about origin of energy bands, and their influence on electronic behaviour
- Explain the origin of dia-, para-, and ferro-magnetic properties of solids
- Explain the origin of the dielectric properties exhibited by solids and the concept of polarizability
- In the laboratory students will carry out experiments based on the theory that they have learned to measure the magnetic susceptibility, dielectric constant, trace hysteresis loop. They will also employ to four probe methods to measure electrical conductivity and the hall set up to determine the hall coefficient of a semiconductor.

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THEORY COMPONENT

Unit – I - Crystal Structure

(10 Hours)

Solids: amorphous and crystalline materials, lattice translation vectors, lattice with a basis, unit cell, types of lattices, Miller indices, reciprocal lattice, Ewald's construction (geometrical approach), Brillouin zones, diffraction of X-rays by crystals. Bragg's law

Unit – II - Elementary Lattice Dynamics

(6 Hours)

Lattice vibrations and phonons: linear monoatomic and diatomic chains, acoustical and optical phonons, Dulong and Petit's law, qualitative discussion of Einstein and Debye theories, T^3 law.

Unit – III - Elementary Band Theory**(5 Hours)**

Qualitative understanding of Kronig and Penny model (without derivation) and formation of bands in solids, concept of effective mass, Hall effect in semiconductor, Hall coefficient, application of Hall Effect, basic introduction to superconductivity

Unit – IV - Magnetic Properties of Matter**(6 Hours)**

dia-, para-, and ferro- magnetic materials, classical Langevin theory of dia- and para-magnetism (no quantum mechanical treatment), qualitative discussion about Weiss's theory of ferromagnetism and formation of ferromagnetic domains, B-H curve hysteresis and energy loss

Unit – V - Dielectric Properties of Materials**(3 Hours)**

Polarization, local electric field in solids, electric susceptibility, polarizability, Clausius Mossoti equation, qualitative discussion about ferroelectricity and PE hysteresis loop

References:**Essential Readings:**

- 1) Introduction to Solid State Physics, C. Kittel, 8th edition, 2004, Wiley India Pvt. Ltd.
- 2) Elements of Solid-State Physics, J. P. Srivastava, 2nd edition, 2006, Prentice-Hall of India
- 3) Introduction to Solids, L. V. Azaroff, 2004, Tata Mc-Graw Hill
- 4) Solid State Physics, N. W. Ashcroft and N. D. Mermin, 1976, Cengage Learning
- 5) Solid State Physics, M. A. Wahab, 2011, Narosa Publications

Additional Readings:

- 1) Elementary Solid State Physics, M. Ali Omar, 2006, Pearson
- 2) Solid State Physics, R. John, 2014, McGraw Hill
- 3) Superconductivity: A very short introduction, S. J. Blundell, Audiobook

PRACTICAL COMPONENT**(15 Weeks with 4 hours of laboratory session per week)**

At least six experiments to be performed from the following list

- 1) Measurement of susceptibility of paramagnetic solution (Quinck's tube method)
- 2) To measure the magnetic susceptibility of solids
- 3) To determine the coupling coefficient of a piezoelectric crystal
- 4) To study the dielectric response of materials with frequency
- 5) To determine the complex dielectric constant and plasma frequency of a metal using Surface Plasmon Resonance (SPR) technique
- 6) To determine the refractive index of a dielectric layer using SPR technique
- 7) To study the PE Hysteresis loop of a ferroelectric crystal
- 8) To draw the BH curve of iron (Fe) using a Solenoid and determine the energy loss from hysteresis loop
- 9) To measure the resistivity of a semiconductor (Ge) crystal with temperature (up to 150° C) by four-probe method and determine its band gap
- 10) To determine the Hall coefficient of a semiconductor sample
- 11) Analysis of X-ray diffraction data in terms of unit cell parameters and estimation of particle size
- 12) Measurement of change in resistance of a semiconductor with magnetic field.

References for laboratory work:

- 1) Advanced Practical Physics for students, B. L. Flint and H. T. Worsnop, 1971, Asia Publishing House
- 2) Advanced level Physics Practicals, M. Nelson and J. M. Ogborn, 4th edition, reprinted 1985, Heinemann Educational Publishers
- 3) Elements of Solid-State Physics, J. P. Srivastava, 2nd edition, 2006, Prentice-Hall of India
- 4) An Advanced Course in Practical Physics, D. Chattopadhyay and P. C. Rakshit, 2013, New Book Agency (P) Ltd.
- 5) Practical Physics, G. L. Squires, 4th edition, 2015
- 6) Practical Physics, C. L. Arora, 19th edition, 2015, S. Chand

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – PHYSICS DSE 16a: MATHEMATICAL PHYSICS II

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Mathematical Physics II PHYSICS DSE 16a	4	3	1	0	Class XII pass with Physics and Mathematics as main subjects	Mathematics as DSC course containing linear algebra and calculus

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The emphasis of course is to equip students with the mathematical tools required in solving problem of interest to physicists. The mathematical tools might be building blocks to understand the fundamental computational physics skills and hence enable them to solve a wide range of physics problems. Overall, to help students develop critical skills and knowledge that will prepare them not only for doing fundamental and applied research but also prepare them for a wide variety of careers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this course, student will be able to,

- Understand Complex Analysis
- Understand algebraic structures in n-dimension and basic properties of the linear vector spaces.
- Apply vector spaces and matrices in the quantum world.
- Learn Fourier Transforms (FTs)

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THEORY COMPONENT

Unit – I

(20 Hours)

Complex Analysis: Introduction to complex variables, Functions of Complex variable, limit, continuity, Analytic functions, Cauchy-Riemann equations, singular points, Cauchy Integral Theorem, Cauchy's Integral Formula, Residues, Cauchy's residue theorem, application of contour integration in solving real integrals.

Unit – II

(15 Hours)

Linear Algebra: Linear Vector Spaces, Inner Product of Vectors and Norm of a Vector, Euclidean spaces, unitary spaces and inner product spaces. Properties of inner product spaces, Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, concept of length and distance, metric spaces. Orthogonality of vectors, orthonormal basis. Eigenvalue and Eigenvector, Adjoint of a linear operator, Hermitian or Self adjoint operators and their properties and Unitary Operators. Hilbert Space (Definition only).

Unit – III

(10 Hours)

Fourier Transforms (FTs): Fourier Integral Theorem. Sine and Cosine Transforms. Properties of FTs: (1) FTs of Derivatives of Functions, (2) Change of Scale Theorem, (3) FTs of Complex Conjugates of Functions, (4) Shifting Theorem, (5) Modulation Theorem, (6) Convolution Theorems, and (7) Parseval's Identity.

References:

Essential Readings:

- 1) Complex Variables and Applications, J. W. Brown and R. V. Churchill, 9th edition, 2021, Tata McGraw-Hill
- 2) Mathematical Tools for Physics, J. Nearing, 2010, Dover Publications
- 3) Theory and Problems of Linear Algebra, S. Lipschutz, 1987, McGraw-Hill Inc.
- 4) Mathematical Methods for Physicists, H. J. Weber and G. B. Arfken, 2010, Elsevier.
- 5) Introduction to Matrices & Linear Transformations, D. T. Finkbeiner, 1978, Dover Pub.
- 6) Matrices and tensors in Physics: A.W. Joshi, 2017, New Age International Pvt.
- 7) Mathematical Methods in the Physical Sciences, M. L. Boas, 3rd edition, 2007, Wiley India.
- 8) Advanced Engineering Mathematics, E. Kreyszig, 2008, Wiley India.

Additional Readings:

- 1) Elementary Linear Algebra, Applications Version, H. Anton and C. Rorres, Wiley Student edition.
- 2) Mathematics for Physicists, S. M. Lea, 2004, Thomson Brooks/Cole
- 3) An Introduction to Linear Algebra and Tensors, M. A. Aklonis, V. V. Goldberg, Richard and Silverman, 2012, Dover Publications

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – PHYSICS DSE 16b: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Communication System PHYSICS DSE 16b	4	2	0	2	Class XII pass with Physics and Mathematics as main subjects	Basics of digital and analog electronics

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

This paper aims to describe the fundamental concepts of communication systems and communication techniques based on analog modulation, analog and digital pulse modulation. Communication and Navigation systems such as GPS and mobile telephony system are also introduced. This paper will essentially connect the text book knowledge with the most popular communication technology in real world.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this course, students will be able to

- Understand fundamentals of electronic communication system and electromagnetic communication spectrum with an idea of frequency allocation for radio communication system in India.
- Gain an insight on the use of different modulation and demodulation techniques used in analog communication
- Learn the generation and detection of a signal through pulse and digital modulation techniques and multiplexing.
- Gain an in-depth understanding of different concepts used in a satellite communication system.
- Study the concept of Mobile radio propagation, cellular system design and understand mobile technologies like GSM and CDMA.
- In the laboratory course, students will apply the theoretical concepts to gain hands-on experience in building modulation and demodulation circuits; Transmitters and Receivers for AM and FM. Also to construct TDM, PAM, PWM, PPM and ASK, PSK and FSK modulator and verify their results.

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THEORY COMPONENT

Unit – I - Electronic communication and analog modulation

(8 Hours)

Electronic communication: Introduction to communication – means and modes. Need for modulation. Block diagram of an electronic communication system, channels and base-band signals

Analog Modulation: Amplitude modulation, modulation index and frequency spectrum. Generation of AM (emitter modulation), amplitude demodulation (diode detector), Single sideband (SSB) systems, advantages of SSB transmission, frequency modulation (FM) and

phase modulation (PM), modulation index and frequency spectrum, equivalence between FM and PM.

Unit – II - Analog Pulse Modulation

(4 Hours)

Sampling theorem, basic principles - PAM, PWM, PPM, modulation and detection technique for PAM only, Multiplexing (time division multiplexing and frequency division multiplexing)

Unit – III - Digital Pulse Modulation

(10 Hours)

Need for digital transmission, pulse code modulation, digital carrier modulation techniques, sampling, quantization and encoding, concept of amplitude shift keying (ASK), frequency shift keying (FSK), phase shift keying (PSK), and binary phase shift keying (BPSK)

Unit – IV - Satellite Communication and Mobile Telephony system

(8 Hours)

Satellite communication: Need for satellite communication, geosynchronous satellite orbits, geostationary satellite advantages of geostationary satellites. Transponders (C - Band), uplink and downlink, Ground and earth stations

Mobile Telephony System: Concept of cell sectoring and cell splitting, SIM number, IMEI number, architecture (block diagram) of mobile communication network, idea of GSM, CDMA, TDMA and FDMA technologies, simplified block diagram of mobile phone handset.

References:

Essential Readings:

- 1) Electronic Communications, D. Roddy and J. Coolen, Pearson Education India.
- 2) Advanced Electronics Communication Systems- Tomasi, 6th edition, Prentice Hall.
- 3) Electronic Communication systems, G. Kennedy, 3rd edition, 1999, Tata McGraw Hill.
- 4) Principles of Electronic communication systems – Frenzel, 3rd edition, McGraw Hill
- 5) Modern Digital and Analog Communication Systems, B. P. Lathi, 4th edition, 2011, Oxford University Press.
- 6) Communication Systems, S. Haykin, 2006, Wiley India
- 7) Wireless communications, A. Goldsmith, 2015, Cambridge University Press

Additional Readings:

- 1) Electronic Communication, L. Temes and M. Schultz, Schaum's Outline Series, Tata McGraw- Hill.
- 2) Electronic Communication Systems, G. Kennedy and B. Davis, Tata McGraw-Hill
- 3) Analog and Digital Communication Systems, M. J. Roden, Prentice Hall of India

PRACTICAL COMPONENT

(15 Weeks with 4 hours of laboratory session per week)

At least six experiments to be performed from the following list

- 1) To design an amplitude modulator using transistor
- 2) To design envelope detector for demodulation of AM signal
- 3) To study FM - generator and detector circuit
- 4) To study AM transmitter and receiver
- 5) To study FM transmitter and receiver
- 6) To study time division multiplexing (TDM)

- 7) To design pulse amplitude modulator using transistor.
- 8) To design pulse width modulator using 555 timer IC.
- 9) To design pulse position modulator using 555 timer IC
- 10) To study ASK, PSK and FSK modulators and demodulators

References for laboratory work:

- 1) Electronic Communication system, Blake, Cengage, 5th edition
- 2) Introduction to Communication systems, U. Madhow, 1st edition, 2018, Cambridge University Press

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – PHYSICS DSE 16c: LASER PHYSICS AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Laser Physics and its Applications PHYSICS DSE 16c	4	2	0	2	Class XII pass with Physics and Mathematics as main subjects	Waves and optics paper of this course or its equivalent. Basic idea of energy levels in atoms and molecules

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Laser physics is a branch of optics that covers the fundamental and applied aspects of laser science. Laser is an acronym for ‘Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation’. This radiation has some specific properties different from the common light. The main objective of this course is to introduce the basic principle of its production, its types, the different kinds and techniques of laser devices and applications of laser in various fields including research, high energy applications, medical applications, industrial applications, and nuclear science. Also to perform experiments and to measure some physical quantities based on the experiments using lasers.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After completing this course, students should be able to,

- Understand the nature of interaction of radiation with matter in the form of absorption of light, spontaneous and stimulated emission of radiation.
- Understand the principle of laser action, including population inversion, metastable states, gain medium, optical pumping, feedback mechanism and threshold condition for laser beam generation
- Understand the various types of lasers such as three and four-level lasers
- Understand various characteristic properties of lasers and how they are utilized in different applications
- Know the importance of lasers in holography and in fibre optics
- Perform some experiments based on the laser technique and to be able to measure some quantities through these experiments

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THEORY COMPONENT

Unit 1 – Introduction

(12 Hours)

Planck’s theory of radiation (qualitative idea), energy levels, absorption process, spontaneous and stimulated emission processes, theory of laser action, population inversion, Einstein’s A and B coefficients of transition, optical pumping, optical amplification, threshold for laser oscillation, line shape function (various line broadening mechanisms: collisional broadening, natural broadening, Doppler broadening), coherence (temporal and spatial type, role of

coherence in laser action), optical resonator (different configurations and stability condition)

Unit 2 – Types of Laser

(8 Hours)

Doped insulator laser (Nd:YAG laser, Ruby laser)

Semiconductor lasers (GaAs laser): Energy bands and carrier distribution in semiconductors, absorption and emission in a semiconductor, optical gain, laser oscillation, threshold current density, power output

Gas lasers: He-Ne laser, noble gas ion laser, carbon dioxide laser

Unit 3 – Applications of Laser

(10 Hours)

Properties of laser light: Mono-chromaticity, directionality, line width, beam coherence, intensity, focussing

Applications: Measurement of distance (interferometry method, beam modulation telemetry), Holography (basic principle, coherence, recording and reconstruction method, white light reflection hologram, application in microscopy and character recognition), medical applications, laser tweezers, high energy applications, industrial applications, laser induced nuclear fusion

References:

Essential Readings:

- 1) Laser Physics, M. Sargent, M. O. Scully and W. E. Lamb Jr., 1974, Western Press
- 2) Laser Physics and Spectroscopy, P. N. Ghosh, 2016, Levant Books, India
- 3) Lasers: Fundamentals and applications, K. Thyagarajan and A. K. Ghatak, 2010, Tata McGraw Hill
- 4) Optical systems and processes, J. Shamir, 2009, PHI Learning Pvt. Ltd.
- 5) Fundamentals of optics, A. Kumar, H. R. Gulati and D. R. Khanna, 2011, R. Chand and Co. Publications
- 6) Optics, E. Hecht, 4th edition, 2014, Pearson Education
- 7) Laser applications, M. Ross, 1968, McGraw Hill

Additional Readings:

- 1) Physics for scientists and engineers with modern physics, Jewett and Serway, 2010, Cengage Learning
- 2) Optical Physics, A. Lispon, S. G. Lipson and H. Lipson, 4th edition, 1996, Cambridge University Press
- 3) Fibre optics through experiments, M. R. Shenoy, S. K. Khijwania, et.al. 2009, Viva Books
- 4) Industrial applications of lasers, J. F. Ready, 2nd edition, 1997, Academic Press
- 5) Semiconductor optoelectronics, J. Singh, 1995, McGraw Hill

PRACTICAL COMPONENT

(15 Weeks with 4 hours of laboratory session per week)

At least six experiments to be performed from the following list

- 1) To determine the wavelength and angular spread of laser light by using plane diffraction grating.
- 2) To determine the wavelength of laser source using diffraction of single slit.
- 3) To determine the wavelength of laser source using diffraction of double slits.

- 4) To determine the grating radial spacing of the compact disc by reflection using He-Ne or solid state laser.
- 5) To find the width of the wire or width of the slit using diffraction pattern obtained by a He-Ne or solid state laser.
- 6) To find the polarization angle of laser light using polarizer and analyser
- 7) To measure the numerical aperture of an optical fibre
- 8) To study the variation of the bending loss in a multimode fibre
- 9) To study thermal expansion of quartz using laser
- 10) To study the characteristics of solid state laser

References for laboratory work:

- 1) Advanced Practical Physics for students: B. L. Flint and H. T. Worsnop, Asia Publishing
- 2) Optoelectronics: An introduction, 3rd edition, 1998, Pearson Education
- 3) Introduction to fibre optics, A. K. Ghatak and K. Thyagarajan, 1998, Cambridge University Press

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC ELECTIVE COURSE – PHYSICS DSE 16d: RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

Course Title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility Criteria	Pre-requisite of the course
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical		
Research Methodology PHYSICS DSE 16d	4	3	0	1	Class XII pass with Physics and Mathematics as main subjects	Basic ICT related skills

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

This course has been designed to explore the basic dimensions of research and to impart quantitative and qualitative knowledge for conducting meaningful research. Starting from the philosophy of research, through awareness about the publication ethics and misconducts, this course covers all the methodological and conceptual issues required for a successful conduct of research. It gives an overview of research techniques, data management and analysis, and commonly used statistical methods in physical sciences.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

After successful completion of this course, students will be sufficiently trained in the following.

- Skills to review literature and frame research problem
- Comprehend the relevance of the tools for data collection and analysis
- Writing a scientific report/research proposal
- Software tools for research in physical sciences
- Research integrity and publication ethics
- Importance of intellectual property rights
- Role of funding agencies in research

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THEORY COMPONENT

Unit - I - Introduction to research methodology (6 Hours)

Brief history of scientific method and research, role and objectives of research, basic tenets of qualitative research; research problem and review of literature: identifying a research problem (philosophy and meaning of research, identification and definition of research problem, formulation of research problem, sources of prejudice and bias); literature survey (open-source and paid tools for keeping track of the literature)

Unit - II - Data collection, analysis and interpretation (15 Hours)

Methods of data collection: survey, interview, observation, experimentation and case study; Descriptive statistics: Measures of central tendency (mean, median, mode) and dispersion (range, standard deviation); Inferential statistics: Hypothesis testing, Z test, T test; regression analysis (basic concepts of multiple linear regression analysis and theory of attributes);

Curve fitting using linear and nonlinear regression (parameter space, gradient search method and Marquardt method);

Role of simulation, calibration methods, error analysis, and background handling in experimental design

Unit - III – Journals, Database and Research Metrics (7 Hours)

Journals: Free, open source and paid journals, concept of peer reviewed journals, predatory and fake journals

Databases: Indexing databases; citation databases (Web of science, Scopus); experimental physics databases (astrophysics (ADS, NED, SIMBAD, VizieR), biophysics (PubMed), particle physics (INSPIRE, CDS), condensed matter physics (X-ray database))

Research Metrics: Journal impact factor, SNIP, SJR, IPP, cite score; metrics (h-index, g index, i10 index, altmetrics), variations in research metrics across various disciplines, other limitations of the research metrics and impact factors

Unit - IV – Scientific Conduct and Publication Ethics (8 Hours)

Current understanding of ethics; intellectual honesty and research integrity; communicating errors (erratum, correction and withdrawal); records and logs (maintaining records of samples, raw data, experimental protocols, observation logs, analysis calculations, and codes); scientific publication misconducts: plagiarism (concept, importance, methods and ways to detect and avoid plagiarism) and redundant publications (salami slicing, duplicate and overlapping publications, selective reporting and misrepresentation of data); environmental and other clearances (waste management, disposal of hazardous waste).

COPE guidelines on best practices in publication ethics

Unit V – Scientific Writing and Software Tools (5 Hours)

Writing a research paper and report: introduction, motivation, scientific problem, its methodology, any experimental set up, data analysis, discussion of results, conclusions

Referencing formats (APA, MLA) and bibliography management

Graphical software (open source, magic plot, gnu plot, origin); presentation tools (beamer)

Unit VI - Intellectual Property Right and Research Funding (4 Hours)

Basic concepts and types of intellectual property (patent, copyright and trademark)

Role of funding agencies in research, overview of various funding agencies (DST-SERB, UGC, CSIR, BRNS, DRDO), national and international research project grants and fellowships

References:

Essential Readings:

- 1) Management Research Methodology, K. N. Krishnaswamy, A. I. Sivakumar, M. Mathirajan, 2006, Pearson Education, New Delhi.
- 2) Research Methodology, Methods and Techniques, C. R. Kothari, 2nd edition, 2008, New Age International Publication.
- 3) Research Methodology, A step by step guide for beginners, R. Kumar, 6th edition, 2009, Pearson Education
- 4) Data reduction and error analysis for the physical sciences, P. R. Bevington and D. K. Robinson, 3rd edition, McGraw-Hill
- 5) Intellectual property: Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, Trade Secrets, C. J. Holland, 2007, Entrepreneur Press

Additional Readings:

- 1) Research Methods, R. Ahuja, 2001, Rawat Publications, New Delhi.
- 2) Research design: Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods approaches, J. W. Creswell, and J. D. Creswell, 2017, Sage Publications.
- 3) Intellectual Property: Patents, Trademarks and Copyright in a Nutshell, A. R. Miller and M. H. Davis, 2000, West Group Publishers

PRACTICAL COMPONENT

(15 Weeks with 2 hours of laboratory session per week)

Students should perform at least six practicals from the following list, such that all the units mentioned below are covered.

Unit 1:

- 1) Identify a research problem, write its brief summary and make a corresponding flow chart
- 2) Identify a survey-based research problem in physics and create a questionnaire to collect data to perform meaningful research.
- 3) Write a literature review for a research problem.
- 4) Create a list of research topics (at least three) and read at least one research paper in each topic.

Unit 2:

- 1) Attend a research seminar and write a brief summary in 1000 words. Check the extent of plagiarism in this summary by using on-line plagiarism detection tools
- 2) Read a research paper based on the use of statistics in experimental physics and summarise its importance.
- 3) Collect publicly available experimental physics data. Identify the independent, dependent and control variables. Fit at least two mathematical models that can describe the data and compare their statistical significance.

Unit 3:

- 1) Review any three research papers.
 - a) List the major strengths and weakness of all of them.
 - b) For any one of these, create a referee report assuming you are a reviewer of the paper. Also draft a response to the referee's report assuming you are the author.
- 2) Review any research paper. Rewrite it as if the work has been done by you for the first time. Use two different referencing and bibliography styles

Unit 4:

- 1) Take data from any publicly available experimental physics database. Use Microsoft Office tools (such as chart/bar diagrams, equation editor etc. in Word, PowerPoint or Excel) to present, plot and infer relevant information from the data.
- 2) Write a scientific synopsis of a research paper using LaTeX.
- 3) Create a presentation using LaTeX and Beamer on any research topic
- 4) Select a funding agency and any two schemes or fellowships offered by them. Make a report (using LaTeX) describing the objectives, areas of research support and various components of grants offered by them.