

1. October 1st 2025

Introduction to the course. Fundamental interactions. Evidences of colour quantum number.[1]

The Action. Hamilton principle. Euler-Lagrangian equations. Noether's Theorem. Noether's currents and conserved charges.[2]

2. October 2nd 2025

Reminders of Group Theory.

Representations. Definition of Representation of a group. Reducible and completely reducible representations. Lie Groups and Lie Algebras. Jacobi identity. Classification of Lie Algebras. Simple and semisimple groups and algebras. Compact algebras. $SU(N)$, $SO(N)$, $Sp(N)$: definition and generators. Finite dimensional unitary representations of Lie Groups. Fundamental, Conjugate and Adjoint representations. Casimir Operator.

Gauge theories. Abelian case: QED. [1]

3. October 7th 2025

Yang - Mills theories [1]. Geometry of gauge invariance [3].

4. October 9th 2025

Definition and properties of the S matrix. [4] Cross section for scattering processes: definition and derivation of the formula. Decay width of a particle.[1] Optical theorem [4].

5. October 14th 2025

LSZ reduction formula [1, 2]. Introduction to the Feynman path integral [2, 1].

6. October 16th 2024

Green's functions and generating functional. Prescriptions for derivation of the Feynman rules.[1]

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- [4] O. Nachtmann,
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