

Electronics

Code: 100187
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500097 Physics	OT	4	2

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Use of Languages

Principal working language: catalan (cat)
Some groups entirely in English: No
Some groups entirely in Catalan: Yes
Some groups entirely in Spanish: No

Teachers

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Prerequisites

Basic knowledgements of electromagnetism, statistical physics and quantum physics. For some concepts, it would be useful that you have followed a course on solid-state physics, but this is not actually a requirement.

Objectives and Contextualisation

Obtain some basic knowledge of semiconductor physics. Study the physics of electron devices and their applications in electronic circuits. Understand the physics behind the function of electron devices. Have a first contact with linear circuit analysis, the concept of equivalent circuit and some practical examples of real use. First contact with active circuit elements and their application in analog and digital signal electronics. First contact with the implementation of logic functions and with digital memory and storage systems.

Competences

- Act with ethical responsibility and respect for fundamental rights and duties, diversity and democratic values.
- Apply fundamental principles to the qualitative and quantitative study of various specific areas in physics
- Be familiar with the bases of certain advanced topics, including current developments on the parameters of physics that one could subsequently develop more fully
- Carry out academic work independently using bibliography (especially in English), databases and through collaboration with other professionals
- Communicate complex information in an effective, clear and concise manner, either orally, in writing or through ICTs, and before both specialist and general publics
- Formulate and address physical problems identifying the most relevant principles and using approximations, if necessary, to reach a solution that must be presented, specifying assumptions and approximations
- Make changes to methods and processes in the area of knowledge in order to provide innovative responses to society's needs and demands.

- Plan and perform, using appropriate methods, study, research or experimental measure and interpret and present the results.
- Take account of social, economic and environmental impacts when operating within one's own area of knowledge.
- Use critical reasoning, show analytical skills, correctly use technical language and develop logical arguments
- Use mathematics to describe the physical world, selecting appropriate tools, building appropriate models, interpreting and comparing results critically with experimentation and observation
- Using appropriate methods, plan and carry out a study or theoretical research and interpret and present the results
- Work independently, have personal initiative and self-organisational skills in achieving results, in planning and in executing a project
- Working in groups, assume shared responsibilities and interact professionally and constructively with others, showing absolute respect for their rights.

Learning Outcomes

1. Analyse and describe the characteristics and applicability of certain basic electronic circuits.
2. Calculate currents and voltages in the various reports of an electronic circuit based on the characteristics of its components.
3. Calculate currents and voltages of an electronic device from its technological features.
4. Characterize basic electronic devices.
5. Communicate complex information in an effective, clear and concise manner, either orally, in writing or through ICTs, in front of both specialist and general publics.
6. Construct certain basic electronic circuits through the interconnection of different devices.
7. Describe the fundamentals of semiconductor physics and their relationship to electronic devices.
8. Describe the role of materials science and nanotechnology in the technological evolution of electronic devices.
9. Design and describe the basic characteristics of an electrical circuit and its potential applicability.
10. Explain the explicit or implicit code of practice of one's own area of knowledge.
11. Identify situations in which a change or improvement is needed.
12. Identify the social, economic and environmental implications of academic and professional activities within one's own area of knowledge.
13. Identify the technological limits of integrability and scalability of electronic devices and systems.
14. Obtain equivalent circuit models and devices for the analysis of complex electronic systems.
15. Use critical reasoning, show analytical skills, correctly use technical language and develop logical arguments
16. Use differential equations and complex numbers in the study of the characteristics of electronic devices and circuits.
17. Use essential electronic instrumentation to analyse basic circuits.
18. Work independently, take initiative itself, be able to organize to achieve results and to plan and execute a project.
19. Working in groups, assume shared responsibilities and interact professionally and constructively with others, showing absolute respect for their rights.
20. Carry out academic work independently using bibliography (especially in English), databases and through collaboration with other professionals

Content

- Introduction to basic semiconductor physics
- Analog systems: Kirchoff laws, Thévenin and Norton theorems, circuit analysis.
- Operational amplifier.
- PN junction diode.

- Bipolar Junction Transistor.
- MOS capacitance and MOSFET
- Digital Electronics

Methodology

Methodology consists of a combination of classroom lessons, exercises solutions in class, laboratory work and also autonomous work.

Annotation: Within the schedule set by the centre or degree programme, 15 minutes of one class will be reserved for students to evaluate their lecturers and their courses or modules through questionnaires.

Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Exercise solution in class and laboratory work	19	0.76	
Lessons	30	1.2	
Type: Autonomous			
Homework independent solution and preparation of laboratory practice	42	1.68	
Personal study of course contents	50	2	

Assessment

The laboratory practices are compulsory and it is necessary to pass them in order to pass the subject.

There will be two partial exams, one after half of the course and another one at the end. The mark of laboratory work will only be accounted for when the average of partial exam marks exceeds 4/10.

Continuous evaluation will be done by resolution of problems autonomously by the student.

A final exam covering all the content of the course will be offered to student that, after having presented laboratory work and the two partial exams, do not reach the required level to pass the course. Having presented to the two partial exams and passed the laboratory work is a requirement to participate in the final exam.

Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Exam for the first half of the course	37,5%	3	0.12	1, 3, 2, 7, 9, 14, 15
Exercises pertaining to continuous assessment	5%	0	0	1, 3, 2, 7, 9, 14, 15, 18, 16
Final examen (those who have failed continuous evaluation)	75%	3	0.12	1, 3, 2, 4, 6, 8, 7, 9, 10, 13, 12, 11, 14, 15, 17, 16
Laboratori classes	20%	0	0	4, 5, 6, 20, 11, 18, 19, 17

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Software

For this course, no special software is required.