

Degree	Type	Year
Advanced Nanoscience and Nanotechnology	OT	0

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## Teaching groups languages

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## Prerequisites

Basic knowledge on electron devices and electronic circuit is convenient (but not mandatory).

## Objectives and Contextualisation

- 1) Get a general vision about the state-of-the-art in nanoelectronics. This will include the understanding of the most important technological drawbacks, the research goals and the main evolution trends.
- 2) Know the main fabrication techniques of electron devices, with the goal of establishing a direct link between device fabrication and its performance.
- 3) Acquire a broad view of the main simulation techniques for nanoelectronic devices, being able to determine which method is most adequate for each particular device/scenario.
- 4) Understanding the principles of operation of the most important nanoelectronic devices, including devices for high-frequency, logic and memory applications.

## Competences

- Analyse the benefits of nanotechnology products, within one's specialisation, and understand their origins at a basic level
- Continue the learning process, to a large extent autonomously
- Critically analyze the principles of operation and expected benefits of electronic devices operating at the nanoscale (nano-electronics specialty)
- Identify and distinguish the synthesis/manufacture techniques for nanomaterials and nanodevices typically adopted in one's specialisation.
- Show expertise in using scientific terminology and explaining research results in the context of scientific production, in order to understand and interact effectively with other professionals.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Choose the most appropriate simulation/modelling method for a nanoelectronic device on the basis of its physical characteristics and operational principle.
2. Continue the learning process, to a large extent autonomously
3. Describe the current state of nanoelectronic technologies and the directions in which they are moving, in accordance with the International Technology Roadmap for Semiconductors.
4. Describe the operational principles of emerging devices, and their main advantages and limitations.
5. Describe the operational principles of what are currently the main logic and memory devices.
6. Know the principles behind the techniques used for making the most important nanoelectronic devices.
7. Show expertise in using scientific terminology and explaining research results in the context of scientific production, in order to understand and interact effectively with other professionals.

## Content

Tema 0.- Introduction: Nanoelectronic Devices Landscape

Tema 1.- Physics and simulation of nanoelectronic devices

1.1- Overview of simulation techniques and physical modelling

1.2- Thermodynamical and mechanical considerations

1.3- Landauer model: time-dependent and time independent models

1.4- Semi-Classical and quantum Monte Carlo simulation

1.5- Noise in nanoelectronic devices.

Tema 2.- Nanoelectronic FET devices

2.1- MOS structure.

2.2- Long channel MOSFETs.

2.3- Short channel MOSFETs.

2.4- Scaling of MOSFETs

2.5- Design of MOSFETs.

Tema 3.- Advanced nanoelectronic devices for logic and memory

3.1- Storage Class memories (FeRAM,MRAM,RRAM,,.....).

3.2- Memristors and Memristive Devices.

3.3- Neuromorphic circuits and artificial intelligence.

3.4- Graphene and other 2D material based devices.

## Activities and Methodology

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Autonomous works and report writing	65	2.6	7
Lessons	30	1.2	
Oral presentation	6	0.24	7
Reading of research papers and other scientific documents	30	1.2	
Use of TCAD tools for electron devices	15	0.6	

We will combine class lectures with autonomous homework, including the reading of research papers, solution of exercises, the critical reading of ITRS documents and the use of device simulation tools.

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.

## Assessment

### Continous Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Characterization in the laboratory	10	0	0	6, 4, 5, 3, 7
Device simulation tools	30	0	0	5, 7, 1, 2
Final exam	45	4	0.16	6, 4, 5, 3, 7, 1
Solution of problems	15	0	0	3, 7, 1, 2

The evaluation of the subject will consist of:

- Exam at the end of courses: 45% of the NOTE
- Simulation practices: 30% of the NOTE
- Problems to resolve: 15% of the NOTE
- Reading of scientific articles: 10% of the NOTE

The student has to pass with a minimum of 5 all previous parts.

To ask for a reevaluation the student must have been received a mark in activities that represent at least 2/3 of the global mark during the course.

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### Recursos WEB

<http://nanohub.org/>

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## Software

The software BITLLES for nanodevices simulations will be used ([europe.uab.es/bitlles](http://europe.uab.es/bitlles))

## Groups and Languages

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Name	Group	Language	Semester	Turn
(PAULm) Classroom practices (master)	1	English	first semester	afternoon
(TEm) Theory (master)	1	English	first semester	afternoon