

# Elementary Particles I

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Organisation, Contents, Literature

Academic Year 2007-2008

# Logistics & Human Resources

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## Time

Monday 9-11, Tuesday 11-13 Lectures

Starting on May, 8: Add Thursday, 14-16

Friday 11-13 Exercises

## Place

Sala Franzinetti - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor "New" Building

## People

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# Organisation

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7 CFU Course ~ 60 h

Student Assistance

Feel free to contact EM, SA when needed

Exam Requirements

Oral examination (Will include an exercise to be solved at the blackboard)

Exam Dates

Monthly upon request, except December, April, May, August

Course Web Page

<http://www.ph.unito.it/~menichet/PARTICELLE1.html>

# Background

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Required familiarity with:

*Special Relativity*

*Quantum Mechanics*

*Electricity & Magnetism*

*Introductory Nuclear & Particle Physics*

Well advised students will find useful to take courses on

*Accelerators and Detectors*

*Relativistic Kinematics and Scattering*

*Relativistic Quantum Mechanics*

*Introductory Quantum Field Theory*

# Contents

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**Symmetries** Symmetry in Quantum Mechanics, Invariance and Conservation, Discrete Symmetries, C,P,T, Continue Symmetries, Groups, Representations

**Electromagnetic Interaction** Form Factors, Structure Functions, Scaling, Partons

**Strong Interaction** Isospin, Strangeness, Resonances, SU(2), SU(3)

**Quarks** Quark Model, Light Quarks, Mesons, Baryons, Heavy Quarks, Quarkonium

**QCD** Color, Color Gauge Theory, Gluons, Color Interaction, Asymptotic Freedom, Confinement

**Weak Interaction** Beta Decay, Neutrinos, P and C Violation, Current-Current Lepton Interaction, Extension to Quarks, Cabibbo Angle, GIM, Neutral Currents

# Literature

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Among the huge amount of material available in the Library or across the Web, you will find rewarding to spend some (a lot of?) time on these introductory, well written and entertaining books:

Author(s)	Title	One word comment
Burcham and Jobes	<i>Nuclear and Particle Physics</i>	Detailed
Halzen and Martin	<i>Quark and Leptons</i>	Condensed
Griffiths	<i>Introduction to Elementary Particles</i>	Conceptual
Seiden	<i>Particle Physics</i>	Modern
Morpurgo (in Italian)	<i>Introduzione alla Fisica delle Particelle</i>	Deep
Perkins	<i>Introduction to High Energy Physics</i>	Gentle

More textbooks and references to be found in the course web page

Do not forget the Particle Data Group book(let) and Web site

<http://pdg.lbl.gov/>

You may find it somewhat difficult to navigate at the beginning, but definitely worth your effort

# Disclaimer

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While the whole framework and text result from my understanding and wording of the subject, it should be clearly stated that many different sources of data and pictures have been freely used in preparing these slides, as well as the accompanying, typewritten notes.

Since this process has taken a fairly long time during several years, it is now unfortunately impossible to acknowledge individual authorships.

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Needless to say, while thanking collectively my colleagues for providing the materials, I should stress that all mistakes found are my own glory.