

INTRODUCTION TO QUANTUM FIELD THEORY (THEORY OF SCALAR FIELDS)

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PRE-REQUISITES: Quantum Mechanics and Classical Mechanics at MSc Physics level, Classical Electrodynamics.

INTENDED AUDIENCE: MSc. Physics and PhD students.; Btech students of Engineering Physics/ Electrical Engineering in their final years will also find it useful.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR:

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COURSE PLAN:

Week 1: Theory of Classical Fields, Lagrangian, Hamiltonian

Week 2: Theory of Classical Fields, Noether's theorem

Week 3: Quantization of Klein Gordon Theory

Week 4: Quantization of Klein Gordon Theory continued

Week 5: Feynman propagator for Klein Gordon Theory

Week 6: Interacting Phi-4 Theory, local vs nonlocal theories

Week 7: Correlation Functions in Interacting theory

Week 8: Correlation Functions in Interacting theory continued

Week 9: Wick's theorem, Feynman diagrams, Feynman rules in position space

Week 10: Feynman rules in Momentum space, Cross-section and the S-matrix

Week 11: Expansion of the S-matrix in Feynman diagrams

Week 12: Expansion of the S-matrix in Feynman diagrams continued, Quick overview of Advanced topics.