

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR PHYSICS 402, Spring 2009					
Date	Mtg.#	Reading Assignment	Topic	HW Due	Exams
Week 1					
		Griffiths/Krane			
1/26	1	1.1-1.6, 4.1 / 1.1-1.4, 5.1, 5.3	Review of QM, QM in 3D		
1/28	2	4.1,4.3 / 7.1, 7.4	Angular Momentum Review		
1/30	3	4.2 / 7.2,7.2	Hydrogen Atom Review	#0	
Week 2					
2/2	4	4.2 / 7.2,7.2	H-atom Wavefunctions		
2/4	5	4.3 / 7.4	Angular Momentum Ladder Operators		
2/6	6	4.2,4.4,6.3 / 6.4, 7.6	Spectroscopy and Spin of the Electron	#1	
Week 3					
2/9	7	4.4 / *	Spinors, Pauli Spin Matrices		
2/11	8	6.1 / *	Stern-Gerlach and Time Independent Perturbation Theory		
2/13	9	6.1 / *	Time-Independent Perturbation Theory	#2	
Week 4					
2/16	10	6.1, 6.3 / *	2nd-Order Perturbation Theory and Fine Structure		
2/18	11	6.3 / 7.8	Spin-Orbit Interaction		
2/20	12	6.3 / 7.8	J=L+S Addition of Angular Momenta	#3	
Week 5					
2/23	13	6.4 / 7.7	Spins and Entangled States		
2/25	14	6.5 / *	Hyperfine Splitting and the 21-cm line		
2/27	15	7.2 / 8.7	He Atom	#4	
Week 6					
3/2	16	5.1 / 8.1	Pauli Exclusion Principle and He		
3/4	17		Chapters 4, 6 (roughly)		EXAM #1
3/6	18	5.1, 5.2 / 8.2	Exchange		
Week 7					
3/9	19	5.2 / 8.3, 8.4	Excited States of He, Periodic Table		
3/11	20	10.1 / *	H2 Molecule, Bonding		
3/13	21	9.1 / *	Time Dependent Perturbation Theory	#5	
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Week 8					
3/23	22	9.1 / *	Two Level Systems, Quantum Computing, Entanglement		
3/25	23	9.1 / *	Sinusoidal Perturbation, Atomic Transitions		
3/27	24	9.2 / *	Absorption of Radiation, Selection Rules	#6	
Week 9					
3/30	25	9.3 / 8.8	Absorption, Spontaneous Emission, LASERS		
4/1	26	5.4 / 10.2	Quantum Statistical Mechanics		
4/3	27	5.4 / 10.5	Distinguishable And Indistinguishable Particles	#7	
Week 10					
4/6	28	* / *	Review		
4/8	29		Chapters 5, 9 (roughly)		EXAM #2
4/10	30	5.4 / 10.5	Occupation Distribution Functions		
Week 11					
4/13	31	5.4 / 10.6	Photons in a box		
4/15	32	5.4 / 10.6	Density of States		
4/17	33	5.4 / 10.6	Superfluid He-4	#8	
Week 12					
4/20	34	* / *	Bose-Einstein Condensation		
4/22	35	5.4 / 10.6	Two-Fluid Model of SF He		
4/24	36	5.3 / 11.1-11.4	Electrons in a Crystal, Fermi Energy	#9	
Week 13					
4/27	37	* / 11.7	Cooper Pairing of Electrons		
4/29	38	8.1 / *	WKB Approximation		
5/1	39	8.2 / 12.7	Fowler-Nordheim Tunneling, STM		
Week 14					
5/4	40	7.1, 7.2 / *	Variational Principle		
5/6	41	10.2 / *	Aharonov-Bohm Effect I		
5/8	42	10.2 / *	Aharonov-Bohm Effect II	#10	
Week 15					
5/11	43	* / *	Review		
5/18	44		FINAL EXAM [8 AM to 10 AM]		FINAL EXAM
		* means no reading assignment from this text. Look elsewhere!			