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Get off in Lozère and take the indicated walking path. Around 15 minutes (and 300 steps).

♦ RER B + Bus Get off in Massy-Palaiseau and get the TransEssonne bus 91-06. See http://www.albatrans.net/ for the timetable. Stop in Polytechnique-Lozere (5th stop).

+ by Car Coming from Paris, follow the exit Palaiseau both on the A6 or on the N118. Main entrance GPS coordinates are 2° 12mn 9s Est, 48° 42mn 51s Nord. Follow the map below to the closest pariking area.



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2nd Introductory Training Day on heoretical Spectroscopy





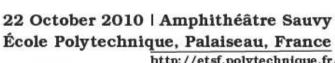
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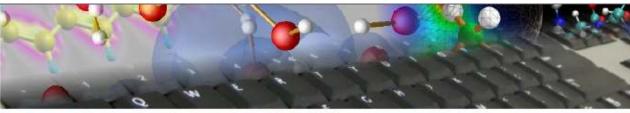
1-Day Event

















Summary and Scopes

Electronic excitations, caused for example by irradiation with electrons, light or modern photon sources (synchrotron, ultra-fast lasers), are key quantities for the study of materials, ranging from solids to atoms, from surface to nanoscale systems.

Experimental techniques measuring electronic excitations have seen rapid progress (high spatial resolution, short measurement time, low temperature), which continuously requires and stimulates a more precise theoretical description and analysis. The joint use of theory and computer simulation has in fact, over the last decades, permitted to achieve big improvements in the description of optical and electronic properties of finite and infinite systems.

The main scope of this introductory training day is to provide attendees with both the theoretical foundations and the knowledge about ab initio calculations.

After a brief introduction about the programmes and training solutions proposed by the European Theoretical Spectroscopy Facility (ETSF, http://www.etsf.eu), theoretical approaches along two different lines will be presented: on one side, methods based on density functionals and on the other side, methods based on Green's functions in many-body perturbation theory. The emphasys is on excited states theory and calculations, in particular valence electron excitations.

The aim is not to learn technical details of theoretical methods, but to get insight about the fundamental ideas, in-principle possibilities and limitations, and in-practice performance and shortcomings.

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Program

09h30 Introduction to ETSF: training solutions

09h55 An ETSF training project: experience of an undergraduate student

10h00 Introduction to ab initio approaches for electronic structure calculations

10h10 Density Functional Theory: description through electron density

10h40 Caffeine Break

11h10 Green's Functions theory: description through (quasi)particles

11h40 Industry meets Theory: experience of a post-doc

Lunch

The afternoon is dedicated to the presentation of ETSF "beamlines", i.e. to theory and applications centred around particular experimental approaches.

13h30 Photo-emission beamline

14h00 Presentation of the ETSF liveCD

14h30 Optics beamline

15h00 Caffeine break

15h30 Loss Spectroscopy beamline

16h00 X-ray beamline

16h30 Discussions