

Module code	SP-2307		
Module Title	Introduction to Computational Physics		
Degree/Diploma	Bachelor of Science (Applied Physics)		
Type of Module	Major Option		
Modular Credits	4	Total student Workload	10 hours/week
		Contact hours	4 hours/week
Prerequisite	None		
Anti-requisite	None		
Aims			
This module aims to introduce students to the use of numerical methods and scientific software to perform calculations and simulations in experimental and theoretical physics.			
Learning Outcomes			
<i>On successful completion of this module, a student will be expected to be able to:</i>			
Lower order :	0%	None	
Middle order :	30%	- discuss the basic features of numerical routines and various evaluation methods used in physics computation and simulations.	
Higher order:	70%	- perform and explain the rationales behind various techniques of data analysis and curve fitting. - convert physics problems into calculation routines for numerical evaluation. - perform Monte Carlo simulations of physics problems.	
Module Contents			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basics of numerical methods in physics - choices of language and software - simple numerical routines in physics - precision and round-off error - projectile motion - simple pendulum motion - Kepler's problem - Runge-Kutta method - solving non-linear problems - traffic flow - analysis of data - curve fitting - principles of Monte Carlo simulations. 			
Assessment	Formative assessment	In-class questions and feedback	
	Summative assessment	Examination: 0% Coursework: 100% 5 pieces of work which may include projects, problem solving, reports, tests, and assignments.	