

# 11220PHYS401300 Computational Physics Lab 計算物理實作

# **Syllabus**

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#### Class schedule

Lectures on Monday from 13:20 - 16:20 General building II, R521

#### **Preface**

The goal of this course is to let undergraduate students know how to solve common physical problems numerically. Students will learn basic numerical algorithms through a few Lab projects in the course. Basic knowledge of classical mechanics, quantum physics, electrodynamics, and thermal physics are required. Previous experience with Python or other computing languages is preferred. A Unix-like system (e.g. Linux, Mac OS X, or Windows 10 subsystem for Linux) is required. Students must bring their own laptop to class. AI-assisted softwares (chatGPT or Github copilot ) are encouraged to use in the class.

# **Tentative topics**

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- 1 Command Line Interface / Editors / Shell / Version control
- 2 Basic programming with Python
- 3 Data Visualization
- 4 Lab 1: Simple Harmonic Oscillator (damped systems / forced oscillations)
- 5 Lab 2: N-body systems (Stars / Molecular dynamics)
- 6 Lab 3: Laplace & Poisson equation (EM potential / Gravitational potential)
- 7 Lab 4: Gas dynamics (Explosions / Shock / Turbulence)