

# Syllabus

## Course description

<b>Course title</b>	Fundamentals of programming for control
<b>Course code</b>	46050
<b>Scientific sector</b>	Ing-inf 04
<b>Degree</b>	PhD programme Advanced System Engineering (1st year)
<b>Semester</b>	I
<b>Year</b>	I
<b>Academic year</b>	2020-2021
<b>Credits</b>	3
<b>Modular</b>	No

<b>Total lecturing hours</b>	30
<b>Attendance</b>	Attendance of lectures is strongly recommended but is not required
<b>Prerequisites</b>	None
<b>Course page</b>	

<b>Specific educational objectives</b>	<p>The course provides an introduction to python programming techniques applied to the basic principles of automatic control. Examples and exercises that use python to solve problems in controls and robotics will be given.</p> <p>More specifically, Python programming: strings and string manipulation, comments, functions, tuples, lists, aliasing, dictionaries, testing, debugging, exceptions, assertions, creating python classes and data types, for loops, while loops, 2D lists and loops, plotting graphs, input from files, modules, matrix operations, solving linear differential equations programatically, tuples,</p> <p>Introduction to linear control theory: Systems, states, Dubin's car example, solution of uncontrolled and controlled systems, Basic PID control, peak and time related criteria, ziegler-nichols tuning, stability: phase plots, Lypanov's method, perturbations, root locus, using python for desinging a phase-lag controller, reference trajectories, path following PID, trajectory tracking, the soft landing problem, Optimal control: time optimal, terminal control, linear regulator with quadratic costs, processing sensor information through python.</p>
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<b>Learning outcomes</b>	<u>Knowledge and understanding</u> 1. Basic software design procedures
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	<p>2. How to program in Python</p> <p>3. Basics of linear control: controllability, optimization, stability</p> <p>4. Basics of modelling and simulation</p> <p><u>Applying knowledge and understanding</u> Writing programs for lab exercises during the lectures</p> <p><u>Making judgements</u> Choosing the right data type and programming approaches</p> <p><u>Communication skills</u> Writing lab reports will require presenting information and ideas in clear language</p> <p><u>Learning skills</u> Basic foundations for further study in Engineering</p>
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<b>Assessment</b>	<u>Form</u>	<u>%</u>
	Exercise	40
	Final exam	60
<b>Assessment language</b>	English	
<b>Evaluation criteria and criteria for awarding marks</b>	In-class exercises: completeness and correctness of answers, level of understanding Written final exam: Completeness and correctness of answers	

<b>Required readings</b>	Notes will be provided on OLE
<b>Supplementary readings</b>	Additional books may be recommended during the course