Study programs: Bachelor studies – Astronomy and astrophysics

Course name: Stellar systems dynamics

Lecturers: Stevo Šegan

Status: Elective

ECTS: 5

Attendance prerequisites: No prerequisites

Course aims: Study of higher stellar dynamical formations

Course outcome: Understanding of basic principles of the galactic astronomy.

Course content:

Structure of the galaxy. History of the problem. First models and theorems. Star catalogs. Luminosity function. Star clusters. Analytical and dynamical methods for determination of the density of the objects in the system. Star associations and complexes. Absorption of the light in interstellar medium and methods for its determination. Functions and gradients of stellar densities. Mass of the Galaxy. Populations. Structure: spiral - branches, central – core.

Studying galaxies: classification, evolution and morphology. Distances. Dimensions. Radial velocities and rotation. Mass. Galaxy population and clusters. Apparent distribution of the galaxies. Metagalaxy. Dynamics of the star systems. Introduction. stellar system. Relaxation time. Regular processes – evolution. Irregular processes – decay. Basic equations without collision. Stability of the stellar systems. Masses of the stellar systems.

Literature:

- 1. Carroll, Bradley W. An introduction to modern astrophysics Addison- Wesley, 1996.
- 2. George W. Collins, II: The Fundamentals of Stellar Astrophysics, 2003

Number of hours: 4	Lecures: 2	Tuto	rials: 2	Laboratory: -	Research: -
Teaching and learning methods: Frontal, Group, Lectures, Exercises					
Assessment (maximal 100 points)					
Course assignments		oints	Final exam		points
Lectures		15	Written exa	m	15
Exercises / Tutorials		15	Oral exam		35
Colloquia		-	Written-ora	l exam	
Essay / Project		20			