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School and Workshop on Exotic Quantum Phases in Equilibrium and Driven Matter

DESCRIPTION:

This School and Workshop explores exotic quantum phases in equilibrium and driven matter, focusing on quantum spin liquids, spin-orbit-coupled materials, experimental probes, and nonequilibrium control via Floquet engineering and ultrafast dynamics.

MORE DETAILS:

The program combines pedagogical lectures and research talks covering fractionalization and topological order, experimental probes of quantum spin liquids, candidate materials with strong spin-orbit coupling, and microscopic modeling. It further addresses nonequilibrium phases in driven and synthetic quantum matter, including Floquet engineering, nonlinear spectroscopy, and quantum state preparation, alongside modern theoretical and numerical methods.

TOPICS:

- General introduction to quantum spin liquids: fractionalization, topological order, and phase classification
- Experimental probes of quantum spin liquids
- Candidate quantum materials and their microscopic models
- Exotic phases in driven matter Synthetic quantum matter and its nonequilibrium aspects
- Theoretical and numerical approaches Quantum state preparation and control

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A limited number of grants are available to support the attendance of selected participants, with priority given to participants from developing countries. There is no registration fee.

