

## PROJECT II: BIOGRAPHY ABOUT A PHYSICIST IN THE PAST

For this project (which consists of a paper and a talk) you work in groups of two. The following description is for your paper but the content will be very similar for your talk.

**Project:** Write a biography about a physicist (or astronomer) in the past, i.e. not living, who is not included in the course syllabus. Your paper should describe the physicist's life, character and work. For their life include all important events, especially those which might have had impact on their life and/or work. Explain their main scientific achievements. In case your physicist was influenced by society, or vice versa, describe the necessary historic background. What motivated them? What led to their success?

**Groupwork:** Since you work in groups of two, divide the paper into two equal parts. Each one of you will work on one part and then you will get together to combine them. You will get two grades, one for your part (when you hand your paper in, indicate clearly who worked on which sections), and one for your whole paper.

**Academic Responsibility:** It might be in this paper very difficult to find your own words after having read about your physicist. Nevertheless you are not allowed to use any sections of your sources. **You must find your own words.** Anything else is academic dishonesty and considered a major delict. In case of any doubt, please feel free to contact me.

**Deadlines:**

- Sept. 22: together with your group partner sign up for a physicist
- Sept. 24: bibliography (including one or more non-reference books)
- Sept. 29: first version of your paper for peer review
- Oct. 1: second version of your paper
- Oct. 8: final paper

**Memberlist:** see daily assignment for Sept. 15