

Digital Finance (Lecture+Tutorial)

Summer semester

Institute:	Institute for Financial Innovation & Technology
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Weekly hours:	2+2 SWS
Credits	6 ECTS
Examination:	Exam (120 minutes) at the end of the semester
Prerequisites:	None
Course Material:	Will be provided via Moodle

Course Description & Main Objectives

Substantial parts of the financial value chain are continuously being disrupted by technology-based innovators. The course offers a comprehensive exploration of modern securities markets, trading mechanisms, and market microstructure. It addresses both theoretical and practical aspects of financial markets and provides insights into market dynamics. Special focus is placed on algorithmic trading and the role of technological innovation.

Lectures Overview/ Course Outline

Lecture 1	Introduction	Tutorial 1	Modern Securities Markets
Lecture 2	Modern Securities Markets	Tutorial 2	Alternatives to Limit Order Markets
Lecture 3	The Basics of Trading	Tutorial 3	Information & Efficiency
Lecture 4	Alternatives to Limit Order Markets	Tutorial 4	Market Microstructure
Lecture 5	Market Microstructure	Tutorial 5	Algorithmic Trading
Lecture 6	Information & Efficiency	Tutorial 6	Coding Session I
Lecture 7	Algorithmic Trading	Tutorial 7	Coding Session II
Lecture 8	High-Frequency Trading	Tutorial 8	Measuring Liquidity in Crypto Markets
Lecture 9	Centralized vs. Decentralized Finance		
Lecture 10	Crypto Markets I		
Lecture 11	Crypto Markets II		

Literature

Harris, L. (2003). Trading and Exchanges - Market Microstructure for Practitioners. Oxford University Press.

Hasbrouck, J. (2021). Securities trading: Principles and procedures.

O'Hara, M. (1994). Market Microstructure Theory. Blackwell Publishers, Malden, MA.