KB 7010 Course report 2016

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General:

Based on interactions with students, teachers and the written course evaluation it appears that overall the course is appreciated and viewed as providing valuable knowledge by the students. 100% of the respondents of the course evaluation stated that they can recommend the course to other students.

In particular the practicals and the schedule structure linking theory lectures and relevant practicals were appreciated. The lab assistants were commended for their pedagogic and helpful attitude.

Previous years, critique has been raised that the course was too ambitious and required too much work from the students and that the exam was too difficult. This year it appears that the course had a better balance. It is still viewed as challenging and requiring a lot of work, but not overly so.

Suggested points of improvement:

While the Cryo-EM part was appreciated it received some criticism for organization of lectures and practicals, as well as alignment between theory and practice.
As this part of the course was new for this year it is not surprising that there is room for improvement, this should be considered in the planning for the following year.