

Memorandum on ZFITTER/Gfitter

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Since 1 March 2011, members of the ZFITTER group A. Akhundov, S. Riemann, T. Riemann, aided by further scientists, have proven substantial violations of the commonly accepted Rules of Good Scientific Practice by the Gfitter collaboration when using scientific results of the ZFITTER group.

The Gfitter collaboration has not admitted this publicly, and the necessary consequences were not drawn.

The only sanction so far is a disciplinary measure taken against the ZFITTER spokesperson on 30 September 2012.

What does ZFITTER propose in the present situation?

The Gfitter group should consider to ...

- ... Accept the validity of the CPC licence hold by ZFITTER authors.
- ... Accept that ZFITTER authors have personal copyrights with the ZFITTER project.
- ... Admit the deviations from Good Scientific Practice when using software and text of ZFITTER authors from Summer 2006 till Summer 2011.
- ... Understand that the text of the so-called erratum to EPJC60(2009)543 and the corresponding phrases in arXiv:1107.0975v1 are deliberately misleading and incorrect. A code is introduced which does not exist, with authors who do not agree, in order to heal the conflict with ZFITTER. Ignoring the expressed positions of the ZFITTER authors.
- ... Write the necessary errata to publications. We mention three main publications – a diploma thesis, the article EPJC60(2009)543 and arXiv:1107.0975v1 – plus further journal articles and hep-ph submissions and talks linked at the Gfitter webpages.
- ... Change the Gfitter webpages at DESY and CERN appropriately.
- ... Start a dialogue with ZFITTER on how to deal with the Gfitter/GSM code. Note that Gfitter cannot publish the Gfitter/GSM code without written permission from the ZFITTER authors because it is derived from ZFITTER.

DESY is asked to consider to ...

- ... Respect the administrative regulations of GO/BO (GO for Geschäftsordnung) and the recommendations of DFG related to issues of scientific misconduct when treating matters related to the ZFITTER/Gfitter case.
- ... Respect the ZFITTER project as a valuable product of its authors and to defend it against misuse.
- ... Accept the validity of the CPC licence hold by ZFITTER authors.
- ... Accept that ZFITTER authors have personal copyrights with the ZFITTER project.
- ... not play down and cover up Gfitter's plagiarism.

The Editors-in-Chief of „European Journal of Physics C“ are asked to consider to ...

- ... Respect the rules of „Springer’s Policy on Publishing Integrity“.
- ... Reconsider the EPJC60(2009) case, including the so-called erratum, and the related Gfitter issues.

For details see also T. Riemann, „Backup Information“ (23.10.12) and A. Akhundov, „Letter“ (20.9.12).