

ÉCOLE NORMALE SUPÉRIEURE DE PARIS (ENS-PSL)

MASTER IMALiS M1

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UE Mathematics II : What a biologist might like to know

PROGRAM

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Timetable	: Each session lasts 3 hours and starts at 9 am
Location	: All lectures take place in Room 324, including computer-based tutorials (CBT)
Prerequisites	: Lectures of L3 “Mathematics I : What a biologist should like to know”.

1. **Fri 20 Sep.** Topology.
2. **Fri 27 Sep.** Measure. Inner product.
3. **Fri 4 Oct.** Harmonic analysis (I). Fourier series. Fourier transform. Characteristic function.
4. **Fri 11 Oct (CBT1).** Harmonic analysis (II). Introduction to programming in Python. Fourier calculus. Central Limit Theorem.
5. **Fri 18 Oct.** Dynamical systems (I). Invariant sets, irreducible sets, attractors. Ergodic measure. Ergodic Theorem.
6. **Fri 25 Oct.** Dynamical systems (II). Lyapunov exponent. Canonical examples : Bernoulli shift, logistic map.
Probability (I). Time-discrete Markov chains. Reminders, stationary distribution, hitting probability. Canonical examples : random walk, Bienaymé–Galton–Watson process, Wright–Fisher model.

7. **Fri 8 Nov (CBT2).** Dynamical systems (III). Chaotic population dynamics, May's logistic model, Lorenz attractor.
8. **Fri 15 Nov.** Probability (II). Time-continuous Markov chains. Definition, Kolmogorov Equations. Transition rate, notion of generator. Canonical examples : time-continuous random walk, linear birth-death process, Moran model. Stationary probability, hitting probability.
9. **Fri 22 Nov.** Probability (III). Brownian motion and stochastic differential equations. Canonical examples : Feller diffusion, Fisher–Wright diffusion.
10. **Fri 6 Dec.** Partial differential equations (I). Conservation law, transport equations, McKendrick–von Foerster Equation.
11. **Fri 10 Jan (CBT3).** Probability (IV). Diffusion processes in neuroscience and in ecology.
12. **Fri 17 Jan.** Partial differential equations (II). Heat equation, reaction-diffusion equations, Fisher-KPP Equation.
13. **Fri 24 Jan (CBT4).** Partial differential equations (III). Simulation of a few PDEs.
14. **Fri 7 Fev.** Working session on project (in presence of P. Courau).
15. **Fri 14 Fev.** Oral presentations.