Course guides
200244 - ASTNL - Nonlinear Time Series Analysis

Unit in charge: School of Mathematics and Statistics
Teaching unit: 748 - FIS - Department of Physics.
Degree: BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN MATHEMATICS (Syllabus 2009). (Optional subject).
Academic year: 2020 ECTS Credits: 6.0 Languages: English

LECTURER
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REQUIREMENTS
The student will need good computational skills and will need to be familiar with Matlab or other programming language (C, fortran, python, R, etc)

DEGREE COMPETENCES TO WHICH THE SUBJECT CONTRIBUTES

Specific:
GM-CE2. CE-2. Solve problems in Mathematics, through basic calculation skills, taking in account tools availability and the constraints of time and resources.
GM-CE1. CE-1. Propose, analyze, validate and interpret simple models of real situations, using the mathematical tools most appropriate to the goals to be achieved.
GM-CE3. CE-3. Have the knowledge of specific programming languages and software.
GM-CE4. CE-4. Have the ability to use computational tools as an aid to mathematical processes.
GM-CE6. Ability to solve problems from academic, technical, financial and social fields through mathematical methods.

Generical:
GM-CB5. To have developed those learning skills necessary to undertake further interdisciplinary studies with a high degree of autonomy in scientific disciplines in which Mathematics have a significant role.
GM-CG1. CG-1. Show knowledge and proficiency in the use of mathematical language.
GM-CB4. CB-4. Have the ability to communicate their conclusions, and the knowledge and rationale underpinning these to specialist and non-specialist audiences clearly and unambiguously.
GM-CG2. CG-2. Construct rigorous proofs of some classical theorems in a variety of fields of Mathematics.
GM-CG3. CG-3. Have the ability to define new mathematical objects in terms of others already know and ability to use these objects in different contexts.
GM-CG4. CG-4. Translate into mathematical terms problems stated in non-mathematical language, and take advantage of this translation to solve them.
GM-CG6. CG-6 Detect deficiencies in their own knowledge and pass them through critical reflection and choice of the best action to extend this knowledge.

Transversal:
04 COE. EFFICIENT ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATION. Communicating verbally and in writing about learning outcomes, thought-building and decision-making. Taking part in debates about issues related to the own field of specialization.
07 AAT. SELF-DIRECTED LEARNING. Detecting gaps in one's knowledge and overcoming them through critical self-appraisal. Choosing the best path for broadening one's knowledge.
**TEACHING METHODOLOGY**

Theory classes: The course is divided into different parts where mathematical concepts will be gradually introduced. Emphasis will be given to specific examples and analysis of real data that will facilitate the understanding of the concepts and their practical applications.

Practical classes: hands-on computer sessions.

Self-study for doing exercises and activities: The students will work in small groups (2-3 students) or individually the problems proposed by the professors.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES OF THE SUBJECT**

The study of complex dynamical systems is also the study of the tools used to characterize them. Nonlinear analysis techniques help to unveil the underlying dynamics of time series which are everywhere nowadays. These techniques address the distinction between deterministic and stochastic behavior, they allow to define complexity measures to characterize dynamical systems, establish synchronization relations between different time series or classify efficiently different systems. They are also involved in the efficient control of many systems. This type of analysis results in a wide arrangement of mathematical techniques which are developed with the assistance of computer algorithms. The objective of the course is to provide a broad overview of main concepts and methods, which include nonlinear dynamics, mathematical tools, computer skills and interdisciplinary applications.

As a result, the student will acquire a good general understanding of various techniques required to characterize nonlinear time series. The course will be formal but, at the same time, it will emphasize on the practical applications the techniques discussed.

**STUDY LOAD**

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Total learning time: **150 h**

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<th>Lineal tools for time series analysis and their limitations</th>
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Description:
Review of Fourier analysis and Correlation analysis

Full-or-part-time: **6h**
Theory classes: **6h**

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<th>Characterization of deterministic and stochastic time series</th>
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Description:
Numerical computation of Lyapunov exponent, phase space methods, symbolic analysis, surrogate data, entropy and complexity measures.

Full-or-part-time: **6h**
Theory classes: **6h**
### Synchronization and causality measures

**Description:**
Hilbert phase analysis and bivariate methods to identify and quantify synchronization in time series. Mutual information, information transfer and causality measures.

**Full-or-part-time:** 6h  
Theory classes: 6h

### Classification methods

**Description:**
Machine Learning techniques and classification methods

**Full-or-part-time:** 6h  
Theory classes: 6h

### Control and Data assimilation techniques

**Description:**
Control techniques, data assimilation techniques, and Kalman Filters

**Full-or-part-time:** 6h  
Theory classes: 6h

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**GRADING SYSTEM**

The students will have to present a report for each module of the course. One of the reports can be a short oral presentation (5-10 minutes depending on the number of students) that will be followed by questions. The final grade will be the average of the grades obtained in the reports.

**EXAMINATION RULES.**

The students will present a report for each module of the course, one of them can be a short oral presentation (5-10 minutes depending on the number of students) that will be followed by questions. 

The grades obtained in the reports will take into account attendance and active participation in class. By the end of the course, a deadline will be established to present the reports. Reports received up to 48 hours after the deadline will be penalized by 50% and will not be accepted after that.

If any student wants to improve the final grade, he or she will be given the opportunity of a second oral presentation, within the next 10 days of the first oral presentation.

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**BIBLIOGRAPHY**

**Basic:**

**Complementary:**