



MATH2410 Differential topology

[30h] 3 credits

This course is taught in the 1st semester

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Language: French
Level: Second cycle

Aims

Presentation of the theory of Riemann surfaces as a theory and as a tool for applications in mechanics and in resolution of partial differential equations in relations with recent research

Main themes

The central subject is the space of dimension 1 complex surfaces, i.e. Riemann surfaces. The Riemann surfaces form a theory where topology and analysis interact in a very efficient way. The Riemann-Roch theorem (on the number of meromorphic functions with prescribed poles) and its important consequences form a nice illustration of this interplay. The Abel and Jacobi theorems have a transcendental nature. The course will contain a classification of line bundles on Riemann surfaces and abelian varieties (complex tori of higher dimension). A part of the lectures will be devoted to applications to physics and to solutions of partial differential equations.

Other information (prerequisite, evaluation (assessment methods), course materials recommended readings, ...)

Prerequisites: knowledge of the course MATH 2420 is advised but not indispensable.

Other credits in programs

MATH22/G Deuxième licence en sciences mathématiques (3 credits)