

LTCC Basic Course

* **Title:** Dynamical Systems

* **Basis Details:**

- Core Audience: Mathematics
- Course Format: Core (10h)

* **Course Description:**

- Keywords: flows, maps, periodic points, topological conjugacy, Bernoulli shift, symbolic dynamics, deterministic chaos, invariant measures, Lyapunov exponents.

- Synopsis: This course introduces some basic concepts of both continuous-time and discrete-time dynamical systems.

These systems will be characterised in terms of periodic orbits, attractors, and Lyapunov exponents.

Techniques such as linearisation, topological conjugacy, and symbolic dynamics will be explained.

* **Recommended reading:**

- R. L. Devaney, An Introduction to Chaotic Dynamical Systems (Westview Press, 2003).
- K. T. Alligood, T. D. Sauer, J. A. Yorke, Chaos (Springer, 1996).
- C. Beck, F. Schloegl, Thermodynamics of Chaotic Systems: An Introduction (CUP, 1995).

* **Format:**

- No. of problem sheets: 5 (optional)
- Electronic lecture notes: yes
- Necessary support facilities: none
- Necessary software requirements for computing facilities: None

Lecture Details

- Lecturer: Prof Franco Vivaldi, QMUL