

**Course Subject, Number, and Title**

MATH 704, Methods of Applied Math II

Credits

3

Course URL

<http://www.math.wisc.edu/~jeanluc/704.php>

Course Designations and Attributes

None

Meeting Time and Location

MWF 9:55–10:45am in Sterling 1333

Instructional Mode

Face-to-face

Credit Hours

This class meets for three 50-minute class periods each week over the Spring semester and carries the expectation that students will work on course learning activities (reading, writing, problem sets, studying, etc) for about 2 hours out of classroom for every class period. The syllabus includes more information about meeting times and expectations for student work.

INSTRUCTORS AND TEACHING ASSISTANTS**Instructor Title and Name**

Prof. [Jean-Luc Thiffeault](#)

Instructor Availability

M 11:00–11:45am, W 2:20–3:10pm, in Van Vleck 503

Instructor Email/Preferred Contact

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OFFICIAL COURSE DESCRIPTION**Official Course Description**

Derivation, nature and solution of canonical partial differential equations of applied mathematics. Conservation laws, advection, diffusion. First order PDEs, characteristics, shocks. Traffic flow, eikonal and Hamilton-Jacobi equations. Higher order PDEs: classification, Fourier analysis, well-posedness. Series solutions and integral transforms. Green's functions and distributions. Similarity solutions. Asymptotics of Fourier integrals. Laplace's method, stationary phase. Ship waves. Perturbation methods. Enroll Info: Knowledge of undergraduate linear algebra, analysis and complex analysis is strongly recommended.

Requisites

Math 340, 521-22, and 623 (or 623 concur), or equiv.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

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Students will be able to

- Understand the derivation and nature of canonical partial differential equations of applied mathematics.
- Recognize and distinguish the properties of different classes of partial differential equations, such as linear vs. nonlinear equations, parabolic vs. elliptic vs. hyperbolic equations, etc.
- Determine solutions to partial differential equations.
- Understand and apply asymptotic methods for finding approximate solutions to partial differential equations.

GRADING

Homework (50%), take-home final (50%)

There may be some curving, which may differ between graduate and undergraduates.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK, SOFTWARE & OTHER COURSE MATERIALS

Introduction to Partial Differential Equations by Olver.

EXAMS, QUIZZES, PAPERS & OTHER MAJOR GRADED WORK

The final exam will be a take-home exam, due on May 8 at 11am in my office.

HOMEWORK & OTHER ASSIGNMENTS

There will be homework assignments every two weeks or so, posted at <http://www.math.wisc.edu/~jeanluc/704.php>. You are encouraged to discuss the problems with your classmates, however, the final write-up should be yours. A selection of problems will be graded, and the rest graded for completion. Homework is due at the beginning of the lecture on the due date.

RULES, RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES

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ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

By enrolling in this course, each student assumes the responsibilities of an active participant in UW-Madison's community of scholars in which everyone's academic work and behavior are held to the highest academic integrity standards. Academic misconduct compromises the integrity of the university. Cheating, fabrication, plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, and helping others commit these acts are examples of academic misconduct, which can result in disciplinary action. This includes but is not limited to failure on the assignment/course, disciplinary probation, or suspension. Substantial or repeated cases of misconduct will be forwarded to the Office of Student Conduct & Community Standards for additional review. For more information, refer to <http://studentconduct.wiscweb.wisc.edu/academic-integrity/>.

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