

# **Bachelor in Physics**

(Academic Year 2024-25)

Mathematical Methods II			Code	800505	Year	2nd	S	em.	2nd
Module	General Core	Topic	Mathematical Methods in Physics		Character		r	Oblig	gatory

	Total	Theory	Exercises
ECTS Credits	6	3.5	2.5
Semester hours	55	30	25

# Learning Objectives (according to the Degree's Verification Document)

- To use basic partial differential equations in Physics, to know their scope and to dominate fundamental techniques to obtain solutions.
- To learn Fourier analysis methods and its applications to differential equations.
- To get knowledge of most of the special functions used in Physics and their physical properties.

# **Brief description of contents**

Partial differential equations. Fourier series and transformations. Boundary problem resolution. Special functions.

#### **Prerequisites**

Calculus on one and various variables functions. Linear ordinary differential equations.

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Theory/Problems – Schedule and Teaching Staff								
Grou p	Lectur e Room	Day	Time	Professor	Period/ Dates	Hour s	T/E	Dept.
В	4A	Mo Th	12:00 – 14:00 10:00 – 12:00	Carmelo Pérez Martín	Fulm term	55	T/E	FT

T: Theory, E: Exercises

Office hours							
Group	Professor	Schedule	E-mail	Location			
В	Carmelo Pérez Martín	We, Th: 12:00-15:00	carmelop@fis.ucm.es	03.0316.0			

## **Syllabus**

- 1. Introduction to partial differential equations (PDEs). First order PDEs. Second order linear PDEs. Boundary and initial value problems. The equations of Mathematical-Physics. The wave equation.
- 2. Series solutions for second order linear ODEs and special functions. Regular point and regular singular points. Hermite, Legendre and Bessel equations.
- 3. Boundary value problems for ODE. Fourier series and Fourier transform. Eigenvalues and eigenfunctions. Sets of orthogonal functions. Eigenfunction series expansions. Fourier trigonometric series. Convergence. Inhomogeneous problems. Fourier transforms.
- 4. EDP: method of separation of variables and eigenfunction expansion method. Homogeneous and non-homogeneous problems for the equations of Mathematical Physics (heat, wave, Laplace, Schrödinger, ...). Cartesian, polar, cylindrical and spherical coordinate problems.

# **Bibliography**

#### Basic:

- Partial Differential Equations: An Introduction, Walter A. Strauss. John Wiley & Sons
- Introduction to Partial Differential Equations, Peter Olver. Sringer 2016.
- Applied Partial Differential Equations with Fourier Series and Boundary Value Problems. Richard Haberman. Pearson Education Limited (2013).
- Boyce's Elementary Differential Equations and Boundary Value. William E. Boyce, Richard C. DiPrima, Douglas B. Meade. John Wiley & Sons Inc (2017).

### Complementary:

- Partial Differential Equations, Peter J. Olver, Springer
- Fourier Series. Georgi Tolstov. Dover
- *Ecuaciones Diferenciales II*. Manuel Mañas Baena y Luis Martínez Alonso.( <a href="http://eprints.ucm.es/31464/1/Manuel.pdf">http://eprints.ucm.es/31464/1/Manuel.pdf</a>

#### **Online Resources**

We will use the UCM's Moodle facility (Campus Virtual)

# Methodology

We will follow the material uploaded to the Moodle platform. In particular, The professor lecture notes. The classes will be divided in theoretical and practical, solving in these last ones' exercises from the professor lecture notes.

# Evaluation Criteria Exams Weight: 65%

The final exam (ordinary or extraordinary) consists in the resolution of a number or practical problems that the student must solve using the knowledge learned throughout the course. The mark of the exam, say *E*, will vary from 0 to 10. A score *E* bigger than 5 means that the student has passed the subject.

In other to apply the marks obtained in other activities the mark *E* must be bigger than 3.5.

Other Activities Weight: 35%

Continuous evaluation activities of any of these types will be carried out:

- Delivery of problems throughout the course individually or in groups.
- Individual realization of evaluable problems during class hours.

The final grade A of other activities will be a number between 0 and 3.5 points. This note will be considered in the extraordinary call.

#### **Final Mark**

If *E* is the score of the final exam and *A* the final grade of other activities, the final grade  $C_F$  will be given (if  $E \ge 3.5$ ) by the following formula

 $C_F = \text{Max} (A + 0.65 * E, E)$