

MATH-417

**Topics in number theory**

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Cursus	Sem.	Type
Ing.-math	MA2, MA4	Opt.
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Language of teaching	English
Credits	5
Session	Summer
Semester	Spring
Exam	Oral
Workload	150h
Weeks	14
<b>Hours</b>	<b>4 weekly</b>
Courses	2 weekly
Exercises	2 weekly
<b>Number of positions</b>	

**Summary**

This year's topic is "Advanced Analytic Number Theory": this is a continuation of the course MATH-313 "Introduction to Analytic Number Theory". We will cover primes in arithmetic progressions, the Landau-Siegel zero, the Bombieri-Vinogradov Theorem and Vinogradov's three primes theorem (itp).

**Content**

This year, we will continue the course "Introduction to Analytic Number Theory" with more advanced topics:

- Primes in arithmetic progressions : the Hadamard/de la Vallee-Poussin zero-free regions for Dirichlet L-functions.
- The Landau-Siegel zero and the Siegel-Walfisz Theorem.
- Primes in large arithmetic progressions: the large Sieve and the Bombieri-Vinogradov Theorem.
- Ternary additive problems: introduction to the circle method and Vinogradov's Three Primes Theorem:
  - **Every sufficiently large odd integer is the sum of three prime numbers.**

**Keywords**

Primes numbers  
 Arithmetic progressions  
 L-functions and zero-free regions  
 The large Sieve  
 The circle method

**Learning Prerequisites****Required courses**

Analysis III & IV  
 Introduction to Analytic Number Theory.

**Recommended courses****Important concepts to start the course**

- Good knowledge of analysis in particular Fourier theory and theory of the complex variable.

**Learning Outcomes**

By the end of the course, the student must be able to:

- Synthesize the analytic aspects of the theory of numbers
- Solve advanced problems in analytic number theory

### Transversal skills

- Access and evaluate appropriate sources of information.
- Make an oral presentation.
- Demonstrate the capacity for critical thinking

### Teaching methods

Ex-Cathedra Course

### Expected student activities

We expect a proactive attitude during the courses and the exercises sessions (possibly with individual presentation of the solution of various problems).

### Assessment methods

Oral Exam

Dans le cas de l'art. 3 al. 5 du Règlement de section, l'enseignant décide de la forme de l'examen qu'il communique aux étudiants concernés.

### Supervision

Office hours	No
Assistants	Yes
Forum	No
Others	a moodle with ressources for the course will be maintained

### Resources

#### Bibliography

Davenport: Multiplicative Number Theory  
Iwaniec-Kowalski: Analytic Number Theory

#### Ressources en bibliothèque

- [Multiplicative Number Theory / Davenport](#)
- [Analytic Number Theory / Iwaniec-Kowalski](#)

### Prerequisite for

Current research in number theory