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Partial differential equations of mathematical physics 776 (WTW 776)

Qualification	Postgraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences
Module credits	15.00
Programmes	BScHons Applied Mathematics BScHons Mathematics BScHons Mathematics of Finance
Prerequisites	WTW 710 or WTW 735
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	English
Academic organisation	Mathematics and Applied Maths
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Field-theoretic and material models of mathematical physics. The Friedrichs-Sobolev spaces. Energy methods and Hilbert spaces, weak solutions – existence and uniqueness. Separation of variables, Laplace transform, eigenvalue problems and eigenfunction expansions. The regularity theorems for elliptic forms (without proofs) and their applications. Weak solutions for the heat/diffusion and related equations.

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