INTRODUCTION TO DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS, FALL 2024

Friday 10.15 - 12.00.

The course will start on Sep. 13th.

exercises: Fridays, 13.15 - 15.00. First session on Sep.20th.

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Syllabus:

- -Abstract discrete dynamical systems.
- -Ergodicity.
- -Poincare recurrence.
- -Birkhoff theorem.
- -Invariant manifolds and hyperbolocity.
- -Conjugation problem for local diffeomorphisms.
- -Systems of differential equations in two dimensions, Poincare Bendixson theory.

Literature: The course will start out by following a bit the book by Zehnder (Lectures on Dynamical Systems), but will also draw on other sources.

Examinations, exercises etc: There will be weekly problem sets, and the assistant will explain their solution during the weekly problem sessions. Students may hand in solutions which can then count as a bonus (up to 1 point towards the final grade at the end of the semester), but this is not compulsory. There will be an oral exam at the end of the semester.