# **Systems Dynamics**

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# **Course Overview**

## **Course Administration**

#### **Lecturers & examiners**

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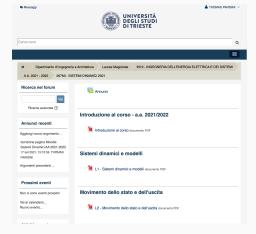
## Course home page

- slides, exercises and computer code examples
- old exams

## https://moodle2.units.it

## **Course credits**

• 9 CFU



- **Final exam**: a preliminary written examination followed by oral questions.
- The **final grade** depends on both the written part and the outcome of the oral discussion.
- Written examination and oral discussion usually usually take during the same exam session.

### Written examination

The exam paper consists of 3 – 4 essay questions:

- typical numerical application problems
- specific questions about theoretical aspects (theorems, properties, definitions) could be included

#### **Oral questions**

Oral questions deal with any possible topic, discussed and analysed in the lectures.

 A short discussion about the written examination results generally also takes place

### Homework (not compulsory)

- Advanced engineering specific projects are offered during the course, characterised by challenges more difficult to address than the usual ones.
- The aim is to stimulate learning advanced concepts during the course also to help the learning exercise
- These projects are then evaluated upon request by the students.
- It's allowed to solve the projects in groups, up to 3 persons.
- Working on homework problems is **not compulsory**

#### Homework & final grade

- Homework contributes to the final grade, with an increment of the score up to 2 points.
- The grading of the homework is **independent** from the grading of the examination
- Homework expiration: the increment of the final exam score, using the homework grade, is allowed during the current academic year (for the academic year 2021/2022 until the end of the examination session in February 2023). When the exam sessions of the current academic year are over, the homework grade expires.

### **Examination timetable**

- 3 sessions in January–February
- 3 sessions in June–July
- 1 session in September

## How to sign up for examinations

- In order to participate to the exam session you must sign up/register for the exam (compulsory)
- To sign up, use the students university career management system Esse3 to access to the on-line University Services.
- Please, **pay attention** to the dates of the registration periods and the examination periods!

#### **Prerequisites**

- Linear algebra, calculus and complex analysis
- Course 034IN "Fundamentals of automatic control" (or equivalent for students enrolled from other universities/programs)
- Basic knowledge of probability and statistics is not mandatory, but highly helpful

## **Course organization**

- Lectures
- Exercise sessions

#### Students who pass the course should be able to:

- carry out a complete and comprehensive analysis of the main properties of deterministic and stochastic discrete-time dynamic systems;
- design and implement parametric estimation and identification, and state estimation algorithms that use available data or data collected in real-time with reference to engineering application scenarios;

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#### Students who pass the course should be able to

- evaluate, among several options, what's the best choice of parametric estimation and identification, and state estimation algorithms starting from requirements and considering technological constraints;
- describe in a clear and plain way the functionalities of a parametric estimation and identification, and state estimation algorithm in the context of discrete-time dynamic systems and with the correct use of technical terminology

#### Lect. Content

- 1 Course overview. Generalities: systems and models (defs, props, problems). Sampling and discrete-time representation of linear continuous-time dynamic systems.
- 2 Time-evolution of state and output of linear dynamic systems.
- 3 Stability of discrete-time dynamic systems.
- 4 Model identification from data.
- 5 A glimpse on prob. theory, random vars and discrete-time stochastic processes.
- 6 Definitions and properties of the estimation and prediction problems.

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#### Lect. Content

- 7 Dynamic models of stationary discrete-time stochastic processes.
- 8 Least-squares estimation.
- 9 Bayes estimation.
- 10 Solution of the prediction problem.
- 11 Identification Based on Prediction Error Minimization (PEM).
- 12 Batch PEM Identification Algorithms.
- 13 State estimation from observed data.

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