

Optimization

Course title – Intitulé du cours	Optimization
Level / Semester – Niveau /semestre	M2/S1
School – Composante	Ecole d'Economie de Toulouse
Teacher – Enseignant responsable	David Martimort, Thomas Mariotti
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Lecture Hours – Volume Horaire CM	30
TA Hours – Volume horaire TD	15
TP Hours – Volume horaire TP	
Course Language – Langue du cours	English
TA and/or TP Language – Langue des TD et/ou TP	English

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Course Objectives – Objectifs du cours :

The goal of these series of lectures is to provide M2 students and future PhD with a solid background in Optimization. In particular, the course will emphasize

rigorous methodologies, namely: importance of proofs, assumption checking, heuristics ("ideas genesis"). Such tasks become easier when the notions at stake are associated to concrete situations, that is why we shall, whenever possible, attach to each introduced notion geometrical ideas or concrete examples.\\

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Prerequisites – Pré requis :

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A background in elementary linear algebra and calculus is strongly advised

Grading system – Modalités d'évaluation :

Questions and discussions on the lectures are highly encouraged

Bibliography/references – Bibliographie/références :

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– Jahn, J. "Introduction to the Theory of Nonlinear Optimization", Springer-Verlag 2006.

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Hiriart-Urruty, J.-B, Lemaréchal, C., "Fundamentals of Convex Analysis", Springer-Verlag, 2001.

– Rockafellar, R.T., "Convex Analysis", Princeton University Press, 1970. – Sundaram, R. K. "A First Course in Optimization Theory". Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1996..

Fixed point theory

– Border, K.C., "Fixed point theorems with applications to economics and game theory", Cambridge

University Press, 1985. (A "must" for fixed-point like results)

Calculus of variations and Optimal control

– Gelfand I.M. and Fomin S.V., "Calculus of variations and Optimal control", Dover publications, 1963.

– * Clarke, Frank H. Optimization and nonsmooth analysis. Canadian Mathematical Society Series of Monographs and Advanced Texts. A Wiley-Interscience Publication. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1983. xiii+308 pp.

– Dacorogna, B., "Introduction to the calculus of variations". Translated from the 1992 French original. Second edition. Imperial College Press, London, 2009. xiv+285 pp.

– • Demange, G., Rochet, J.-C., "Méthodes mathématiques de la finance", Economica, 1992.

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<http://math.berkeley.edu/~evans/control.course.pdf>

– • Luenberger, D. G. "Optimization by vector space methods". John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York-London-Sydney 1969 xvii+326 pp

– • Liberzon, D., Calculus of Variations and Optimal Control Theory: A Concise Introduction, Princeton university press, 2012.

Session planning – Planification des séances

There will be a two-hours final exam which is meant to check fundamental knowledge and basic proficiencies. More difficult questions requiring some originality or ingenuity will be also included, they represent between 20% and 30% of the total mark.