

Curso de Doctorado
Front propagation in nonlinear diffusion equations

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Outline of the course

April 4, 2011 (Mon) 11:00-14:00 **Part 1.**

Basic properties of diffusion equations

- Introduction
- Maximum principle
- Zero-number principle (Sturmian theorem)
- Traveling waves

April 5, 2011 (Tue) 12:00-14:00 **Part 2.**

Front propagation and the spreading speed

- Asymptotic spreading shape and the reflection method
- Front propagation in hyperbolic space \mathbb{H}^n
- Maximizing the speed of KPP fronts
- Spreading shape of KPP fronts in a stratified medium

April 6, 2011 (Wed) 12:00-14:00 **Part 3.**

Traveling waves under ergodic disturbances

- Basic concepts
- Preservation of ergodicity
- Ergodic perturbation of planar fronts
- Traveling waves in ergodic media

April 7, 2011 (Thu) 12:00-14:00 **Part 4.**

Homogenization of traveling waves in a saw-toothed cylinder

- Existence and non-existence of traveling waves
- Homogenization limit
- Convergence rate in the quasi-periodic case