

PhD in Computational and Quantitative Biology

Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II

Module Title: Operational Research: Mathematical Modelling, Methods and Software Tools for Optimization Problems

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Lecture	Date	Room	Time	Topics
1	14/09/22	Meeting room IV floor	10:30-12:30	Model building in mathematical programming
2	21/09/22	Meeting room IV floor	10:30-12:30	Discrete and graph optimization
3	28/09/22	Softel I floor	10:30-12:30	Optimization solvers: Fico-Xpress
4	05/10/22	Softel I floor	10:30-12:30	Optimization solvers: Gurobi
5	12/10/22	Softel I floor	10:30-12:30	Advanced optimization methods
	TBD		TBD	Assessment test

Dates and Locations (rooms are in ed. 3A, floor I, via Claudio 21, Napoli)





Content

I Lesson

Operations Research applications and relations with other disciplines. Model building in mathematical programming: data, variables, constraints, objective functions, decision-makers.

II Lesson

Discrete and graph optimization. Binary, pure, and mixed-integer linear optimization formulations. Relaxations, branch-and-bound and branch-and-cut.

III lesson

Introduction to the use of the optimization software FICO-Xpress. Modelling and solving a decision problem using FICO-Xpress.

IV Lesson

Introduction to the use of the optimization software Gurobi. Modelling and solving a decision problem using Gurobi. Branch-and-cut implementation with Gurobi.

V Lesson

Applications of advanced solution methods to real problems arising in different application fields.

ECTS Credits: 4

Notes

Participants to the Module are requested to e-mail to prof. Adriano Masone the following: Student name, name of the PhD course and cycle.

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