



Ganda Day in Copenhagen 2018

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Program

	Monday 14.05
14:15-15:15	Jean-Marc Deshouillers
15:15-15:45	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:45-16:45	Ian Kiming
17:00-18:00	Florian Luca
19:00	<i>Dinner</i>

Abstracts

Time: Monday 14.05, 14:15-15:15.

Room: Aud 2.

Speaker: **Jean-Marc Deshouillers** (Univ. Bordeaux).

Title: *Some arithmetic aspects of automatic sequences.*

Abstract: In the late 70's, I fell by chance on *automatic sequences* through the problem of the distribution modulo 1 of the sequence $(\theta^n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ where θ is algebraic over $\mathbb{F}_q(X)$. Some questions were then solved, but some are still opened. Some thirty years later this theme turned out to be a clue for solving a question raised by Florian Luca and Igor Shparlinski. Since then, I happened to be connected again and again to this theme. I feel this efficient tool should be somewhere in the mind of any number theorist, and I'll advocate for it. No *a priori* knowledge on automata theory is required.

Time: Monday 14.05, 15:45-16:45.

Room: Aud 2.

Speaker: **Ian Kiming** (Univ. Copenhagen).

Title: *Modular forms modulo prime powers.*

Abstract: I will review basic questions and results from recent years in the theory of modular forms modulo prime powers. This will include a discussion of some of the most basic motivating questions. For the results, I will mostly focus on the work of myself and my co-authors.

Time: Monday 14.05, 17:00-18:00.

Room: Aud 2.

Speaker: **Florian Luca** (Univ. Witswatersrand).

Title: *Prime factors of interesting integers.*

Abstract: Let $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of interesting positive integers. For a large x we form

$$A(x) = \prod_{n \leq x} a_n.$$

The theme of my talk is *What can we say about the prime factors of $A(x)$? How many prime factors does $A(x)$ have? How large is the largest one?* We will take a look at what is known about this question when $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ is one of the sequences of interesting integers like Fermat, Fibonacci, numbers of the form $n! + 1$, etc.