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**Speaker:** Jaume de Dios

**University:** UCLA.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 21st, 2020.

**Schedule:** 12:00, *virtual coffee break*; 12:20, talk.

**Place:** Zoom (the link will be posted on our website).

**Language:** English.

**Title:** Decoupling and applications: from PDEs to Number Theory.

**Abstract:** Decoupling estimates were introduced by Wolff [1] in order to improve local smoothing estimates for the wave equation. Since then, they have found multiple applications in analysis: from PDEs and restriction theory, to additive number theory, where Bourgain, Demeter and Guth [2] used decoupling-type estimates to prove the main conjecture of the Vinogradov mean value theorem for  $d > 3$ .

In this talk I will explain what decoupling estimates are, I will talk about its applications to the Vinogradov Mean Value theorem and local smoothing, and I will explain the main ingredients that go into (most) decoupling proofs.

[1] Wolff, T. (2000). Local smoothing type estimates on  $L_p$  for large  $p$ . Geometric & Functional Analysis GAFA.

[2] Bourgain, J., Demeter, C., Guth, L. (2016). Proof of the main conjecture in Vinogradov's mean value theorem for degrees higher than three. Annals of Mathematics, 633-682.

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