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Differential Dynamic
Microscopy: a new tool to
characterize suspensions of
colloidal and living particles.

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À l'invitation du professeur Xavier Banquy

I will present Differential Dynamic Microscopy (DDM) as a high-throughput method to measure the dynamics of suspensions of particles, such as colloids or microorganisms, based on standard imaging microscopy. Instead of tracking individual particles, one analyzes the spatiotemporal fluctuations of the intensity in the suspension from time-lapse images and obtains the intermediate scattering function of the system – a similar quantity obtained by Dynamic Light Scattering (DLS) often used to measure diffusion and therefore particle size distribution. In this seminar, I will show the theoretical framework of DDM and present several examples spanning from diffusion of colloids in complex environment to motility of microorganisms, which are usually not possible with DLS.

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