Research topics and related experts:

- Fluid Mechanics and Hydrodynamics (Proff. Lanzoni, Defina).
- Fluvial and Lagoonal Morphodynamics (Proff. Lanzoni, Defina, Carniello).
- Ecogeomorphology (Proff. Lanzoni, Defina).
- Dynamics of water-limited vegetation (Proff. Botter, Ursino).
- Limnology (Prof. Lanzoni).
- Biofluidodynamics (Prof. Susin).
- Geophysical Fluidodynamics (Prof. Lanzoni).
- Surface hydrology (Proff. Rinaldo, Botter).
- Subsurface hydrology (Proff. Salandin, Camporese, Putti).
- Statistical hydrology and mechanics (Prof. Rinaldo, Maritan, Botter).
- Self-organization and networks in nature (Proff. Rinaldo, Maritan).
- Transport of pollutants within surface and subsurface water bodies (Prof. Lanzoni, Putti, Salandin, Camporese).
- Reclamation of contaminated sites. Solid waste management (Proff. Cossu, Lavagnolo, Raga).
- Slope stability (Proff. Simonini, Cola, Carrubba).
- Environmental geomechanics (Proff. Simonini, Cola, Carrubba).
- Structural mechanics and engineering (Proff. Maiorana, Boso, Pesavento, Sanavia, Salomoni, Modena, Vitaliani, Pellegrino, Scotta).
- Computational mechanics (Proff. Gambolati, Maiorana, Sanavia, Ferronato).
- Advanced numerical methods (Proff. Gambolati, Putti).
- Theory and applications of finite-element methods (Proff. Gambolati, Putti, Ferronato).
- Numerical Linear Algebra (Proff. Ferronato, Janna, Bergamaschi).
- Numerical Methods for PDEs (Proff. Putti, Ferronato).

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1 MATHEMATICAL METHODS (Proff. Ciatti, Garofalo).

Lebesgue integral. Hilbert spaces. L1 and L2 spaces. Fourier series and transform. Introduction to Partial Differential Equations (PDE).

2 NUMERICAL METHODS (Proff. Bergamaschi, Ferronato, Putti).

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3 STATISTICS AND DATA ANALYSIS (Prof. Botter).

Basic concepts of probability. Stochastic processes and Markov chains. Parameter estimate of PDF's and input/output models. Bayesian inference.

4 CONTINUUM MECHANICS (Prof. Salomoni).

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5 FLUID MECHANICS (Proff. Lanzoni).

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