

MCQMC

Edinburgh 2026

Welcome to MCQMC2026!

- We are delighted to welcome you to Edinburgh for [MCQMC2026!](#)
- Started in 1994, the *International Conference on Monte Carlo and Quasi-Monte Carlo Methods in Scientific Computing* has been running for [32 years](#).
- This is the first time the conference is hosted in [Scotland](#), and the second time it is hosted in the UK after Oxford in 2020.

University of Edinburgh

- The University of Edinburgh was founded in 1582 and officially opened in **1583**.
- It is the **sixth-oldest university** in continuous operation in the English-speaking world.
- It is the fourth-largest university in the United Kingdom and the **largest university in Scotland**.
- It hosts around 40 000 students and 9 000 staff.



School of Mathematics

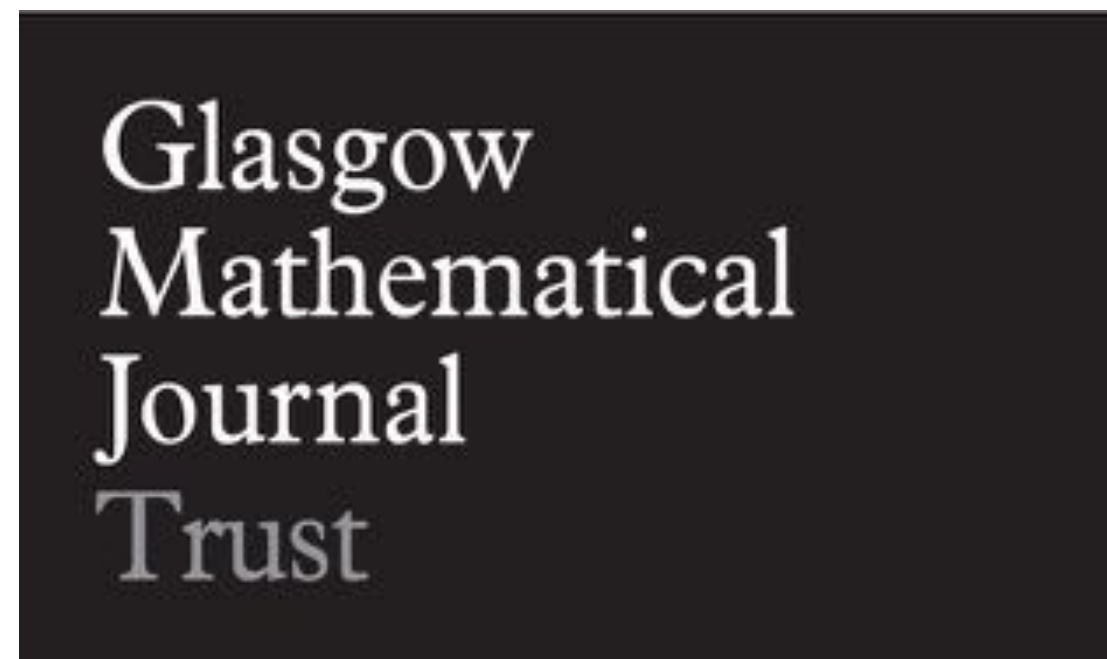
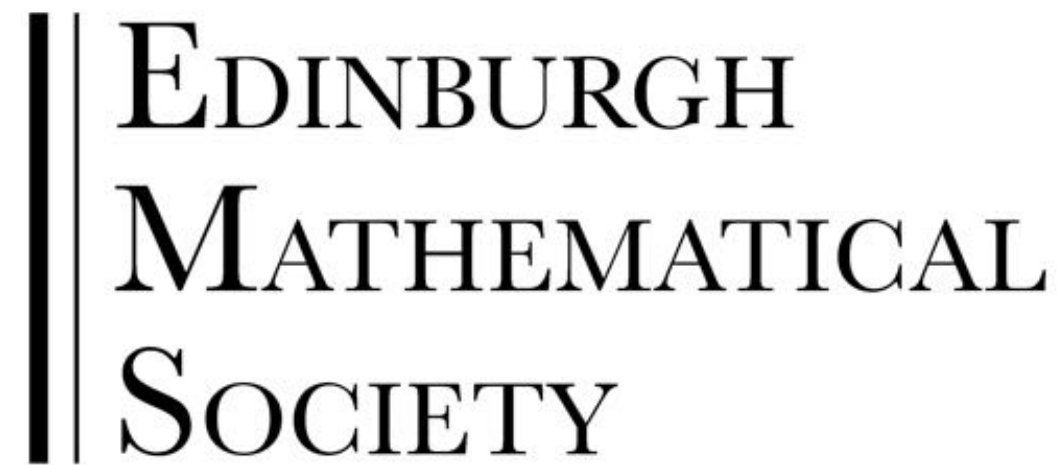
- The School of Mathematics is located in the [James Clerk Maxwell building](#) on the King's buildings campus.
- The building is named after the Scottish mathematician and physicist.
- The chair in mathematics was formally established in 1674, with first incumbent [James Gregory](#).
- Other notable Edinburgh mathematicians include Sir Michael Atiyah, Thomas Bayes, Colin Maclaurin, and Sir Edmund Whittaker.



Moments in history

- 1869: The [Edinburgh Seven](#) become the first female students allowed to matriculate at any UK university.
- 1876: [Sir Arthur Conan Doyle](#) commences medical studies at the university.
- 1889: [Teviot Row House](#), the world's oldest purpose-built student union building, opens.
- 1920: The foundation stone is laid at the site of the [King's Buildings campus](#).
- 1996: [Dolly the Sheep](#) is cloned at the Roslin Institute.
- 2013: [Professor Peter Higgs](#) is awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics.

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- the [MCQMC2026 scientific committee](#)!
- [Alex Liu](#) from the International Centre for Mathematical Sciences (ICMS)!
- [Katie Green](#) from the School of Mathematics!
- [all of you](#) for participating!

Participants

- MCQMC2026 features 2 tutorials, 7 plenary talks, 25 special sessions with 128 talks, and 52 contributed talks.
- We have **233 participants** from **25 countries**:

UK 76	China 10	Canada 4	Switzerland 3	New Zealand 1
Germany 44	Austria 9	Singapore 4	Denmark 2	Norway 1
France 14	Finland 9	Sweden 4	Italy 2	Poland 1
USA 14	Saudi Arabia 7	Japan 3	Greece 1	South Korea 1
Belgium 12	Australia 6	Netherlands 3	Luxembourg 1	Spain 1

Housekeeping

Water fountains:

- Bottles can be refilled in the Magnet Cafe and the 42 corridor in JCMB, or the kitchen area in the first floor of the Nucleus building

Scheduled fire alarm tests:

- 10am Tuesday in Swann
- 8.55am Wednesday in JCMB

If you hear a fire alarm at any other time, please evacuate the building.

Housekeeping

Toilet facilities:

- The toilets on JCMB level 2 (main entrance level) are closed for refurbishment
- **Female toilets** can be found in the Magnet Cafe, and close to the lifts on levels 5 and 6 of JCMB
- **Male toilets** can be found close to the Magnet Cafe, and along the 52 and 62 corridors (follow signs to 5205 or 6206) in JCMB
- **Gender neutral** toilets can be found in the Magnet Cafe and to the right of the lifts on level 6 of JCMB

Housekeeping

Working/meeting space:

- We have booked rooms [3211](#) and [3217](#) (level 3, close to Magnet Cafe) and [5205](#) (level 5) in JCMB for participants to use throughout the week.
- These rooms include tables, whiteboards and power outlets.



Housekeeping

Catering:

- Tea/coffee and lunch is set up in two locations in the Magnet Cafe - please use both!
- Lunch is served in individual boxes.
- For **special dietary requirements**, there will be a box with your name on it.
- Rooms 3211 and 3217 can be used for additional seating.



Programme updates

- Talk by **Marcelo Pereyra** 12pm Friday in CT11 in JCMB 5326 **MOVED TO**
12pm Tuesday in SS09-1 in JCMB 5326

We hope you enjoy your week in Edinburgh!