## **Seminar of Probability and Stochastic Process**

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## A uniform lower bound on the extinction time of the contact process on finite graphs

## **Abstract:**

Motivated by recent focus on random graphs models for the contact process, we prove a uniform lower bound

on every finite graph, without restriction on the maximal degree, for infection's rate larger than the

critical value on the line. Our result is optimal up to a logarithmic correction, and extends the previous bound

obtained by Mountford, Mourrat, Valesin and Yao in the bounded degree case. Ioint work with Daniel Valesin.

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