

Memorial for our Editorial Board Member Marc Yor



Marc Yor passed away suddenly on January 9, 2014, at the age of 64.

He was professor at the Université Pierre et Marie Curie, member of the Académie des Sciences, and senior member of the Institut Universitaire de France. His contributions played a key role in the successful development of research in probability in France. He was an influential editor of the Séminaire de Probabilités and he advised over 30 theses during his career.

Marc Yor's research covered many aspects of the modern theory of probability, but he became most celebrated internationally for his applications of stochastic calculus. He became acknowledged internationally as an extraordinarily talented user of stochastic calculus in combination with other powerful tools of analysis, including Fourier and Laplace transforms. He wrote a number of famous articles on Brownian motion, which have inspired and continue to inspire generations of researchers.

Perhaps generosity is the word more used by his colleagues to describe him, generosity towards other people, especially students and young researchers, together with his enthusiasm and modesty.

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