

STA347 - Probability I

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Lectures: Tuesday and Thursday 6-9pm at BA1160
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Course Description

This course provides a thorough overview of probability theory from a least-measure theoretic point of view which includes the convergence theorems. Topics covered are random variables and random vectors, independence, conditional probability and conditional expectation and their applications, and various types of convergence theorems. As time permits simple stochastic processes such as renewal and Poisson processes will be introduced.

Prerequisite

STA247H1/STA255H1(70%)/STA237H1(70%)/STA257H1/ECO227Y1, MAT223H1/MAT240H1, MAT235Y1/MAT237Y1/MAT257Y1 (Note: STA257H1, MAT223H1/MAT240H1, MAT237Y1/MAT257Y1 are very strongly recommended)

Textbook

J. Blizstein and J. Hwang (2019). Introduction to Probability. Chapman and Hall, 2nd edition.

Reference

M. DeGroot and M. Schervish (2010). Probability and Statistics. Pearson. 4th ed.
M. Evans and J. Rosenthal (2010). Probability and Statistics. Freeman, 2nd ed.
W. Feller (1968). An Introduction to Probability Theory and Its Applications, V. 1, 3rd ed.
G. Grimmett and D. Stirzaker (2001). Probability and Random Processes, Oxford, 3rd edition.
A.N. Kolmogorov (1956). Foundations of the Theory of Probability. 2nd ed.
J. Rice (2006). Mathematical Statistics and Data Analysis. Duxbury, 3rd ed.
S. Ross (2010). A First Course in Probability. Pearson, 8th ed.
S. Ross (2014). Introduction to Probability Models. Academic Press, 11th ed.
H. Tijms (2012). Understanding Probability. Cambridge University Press, 3rd edition.
P. Whittle (2000). Probability via Expectation. Springer, 4th ed.

Evaluation

The grading scheme is as follows:

	Proportion	date, time and location
Homework	30%	3-6 sets
Mid-term	35%	May 28 (2 hours)
Final exam	35%	TBA (2 hours)

Notes

* No makeup test will be given for missed mid-term tests. If you miss a mid-term test and provide a valid medical record to the instructor within a week, your mark on the final exam will be substituted for the missing test.

* Mid-term tests and final exam will be closed book with no aids allowed except a non-programmable calculator. Formulae sheets will be provided if necessary.

* In each class, attendance will be surveyed. Attendance will be taken into account to make up points lost in homeworks.

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