

STA347 - Probability I

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Synchronous: Mondays (L5101/L2501), Wednesday (L5201) 6-8pm
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Material: asynchronous material will be posted on quercos

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

H. Pishro-Nik (2014). Introduction to Probability, Statistics and Random Processes. Kappa Research.

Reference

J. Blizstein and J. Hwang (2019). Introduction to Probability. Chapman and Hall, 2nd edition.
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.
H. Kobayashi, B. Mark and W. Turin (2011). Probability, Random processes, and Statistical analysis. Cambridge University Press.
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%	4 sets (asynchronous)
Quizzes	50%	9 times (synchronous)
Final Exam	20%	TBA

* Quizzes are 30 minutes long and schedule 7:15-8:00pm period every synchronous time except the weeks of Sep 14, 21, Oct 12, Nov 9

* The planned due dates of homeworks are Oct 13, Oct 27, Nov 17, Dec 1

Notes

* Evaluation scheme could be updated by class vote. All evaluation materials need to be submitted online in format of PDF, JPG, PNG, or TIFF.

* Evaluations are open to notes, books, and online materials. However, any parts without detailed description will not be taken into account.

* Among 9 quizzes, the top 8 will be taken into account with equal weights

* There will be no make-up for missed synchronous evaluations. Up to two missed synchronous evaluations will be taken into account for weight shift if valid records are provided. If more than two synchronous evaluations were missed, evaluations will be marked as zero except two evaluations with highest weights. There will be limited exceptions like unavoidable incidents which must be discussed before evaluations.

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