



Ve501 Probability and Random Processes

2018 Fall

3 Credits

Course Objectives

To investigate the concepts of Probability Theory, Random Variables, Random Processes that have applications to electrical engineering. Furthermore, to provide systematic approaches to solve problems involving random and time-varying phenomena, with emphasis on electrical engineering.

Course Pre/Co-requisites

Ve401 Probabilistic Methods in Engineering or graduate standing.

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Lecture Time and Location

Tuesday and Thursday 4-5:40pm, CRQ209

Grading

Homework:	15%	
Exam 1:	25%	October 19
Exam 2:	25%	November 16
Final Exam:	35%	TBD

Requests for re-grades of exams must be submitted in writing within one week of exam return. All questions may be re-graded.

Textbooks

- Papoulis and Pillai, *Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes*, 4th edition
- Gallager, *Stochastic Processes: Theory for Applications*, 1st edition



Office Hours

Friday 10-12, JI Room 408.

Teaching Assistant

Will be determined later.

Honor Policies

All students in the class are presumed to be decent and honorable, and all students in the class are bound by the Honor Code of the UM-SJTU Joint Institute (visit <http://umji.sjtu.edu.cn/honorcode> for more details). You may not seek to gain an unfair advantage over your fellow students; you may not consult, look at, or possess the unpublished work of another without their permission; and you must appropriately acknowledge your use of another's work. Following are specific policies for different types of course assignments:

Individual Assignments. You may discuss individual assignments with your fellow students at the conceptual level, but must complete all calculations and write-up, from scratch to final form, on your own. Verbatim copying of another student's work is forbidden. You may not consult homework solutions from a previous term unless they are made available in a publicly accessible form (no unfair advantage can be sought).

Exams. Each student must complete the exam solely by her or his own efforts. Questions can be asked only of the course instructors. The exam must be completed within the specified time.

Any violation of the above honor policies appropriate to each piece of course work will be reported to the Honor Council, and if guilt is established penalties may be imposed. Such penalties can include, but are not limited to, letter grade deductions, disciplinary sanctions, or expulsion from the Institute and the University. If you have any questions about this course policy, please consult the course instructors.

List of Lecture Topics (subject to adjustment)

- 1) Introduction to random variables
- 2) Probability mass function and discrete random variables
- 3) Probability density function and continuous random variables
- 4) Total probability and Bayes rule
- 5) Gaussian CDF
- 6) Conditional probability
- 7) Function of a random variable
- 8) Expectation of a random variable



- 9) Transform methods and probability generating function
- 10) Two random variables, independence, two functions of two RVs, one function of two RVs
- 11) Marginal PDF
- 12) Conditional PDF, conditional expectation
- 13) Joint moments
- 14) Mean square error estimation
- 15) Markov and Chebyshev Inequalities
- 16) Random vectors
- 17) Sample mean
- 18) Convergence of random sequences
- 19) Central limit theorem
- 20) Introduction to random processes
- 21) Poisson process
- 22) Brownian motion
- 23) Complex random variables and processes
- 24) Stationarity and cyclostationarity
- 25) Power spectral density, QAM modulation, white noise
- 26) Response of Systems
- 27) Linear time-invariant systems and RPs
- 28) Ergodicity theorems
- 29) Series expansions
- 30) Introduction to Markov Processes
- 31) Classification of states and Markov chains
- 32) Computing state probabilities
- 33) Continuous-time Markov chains and queuing

