

FACULTY OF SCIENCE Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Statistics 701 H(3-0)

Theory of Probability I

Calendar Description: Probability spaces, integration, expected value, laws of large numbers, weak convergence, characteristic functions, central limit theorems, limit theorems in Rd, conditional expectation, introduction to martingales

Prerequisites: Statistics 321 or Mathematics 321, and Mathematics 353 or 367 or 381.

Textbook: *Probability: Theory and Examples*, 4th edition, Rick Durrett, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, England, 2010.

(see Course Descriptions under the year applicable: <u>http://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/</u>)

Topics Syllabus	<u>Number of</u> <u>hours</u>
Measure theory foundations: Axioms of probability, random variables; Integration with respect to a measure, properties of the integral; Expected value, inequalities, monotone and dominated convergence theorems, computing integrals; Product Measures, Fubini's theorem	9 11
Limits and Laws of Large Numbers: Independence, distribution and expectation; Sums of independent random variables; Convergence in probability, <i>L</i> ² convergence, triangular arrays, truncation; Almost-sure convergence, Borel-Cantelli lemmas; Strong law of large numbers	9
Central Limit Theorems: Weak convergence, examples and theory,; Characteristic functions, inversion formula, weak convergence, moments and derivatives; Central limit theorems, iid sequences, triangular arrays; Limit theorems in R^d	5
Conditional Expectations and Martingales: Conditional expectation, definition, examples, properties; Filtrations, martingales, almost sure convergence	

TOTAL HOURS

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