

**MATHEMATICS 321**  
**“MATHEMATICAL PROBABILITY”**  
**Spring 2005**  
**SYLLABUS**

**NOTE: All quizzes will be written in the lab. No formula sheets permitted for the quizzes.**  
**Final will be arranged by the registrar’s office.** One standard sized formula sheet permitted.

**Schedule for quizzes and midterm**

Quiz 1 May 25<sup>th</sup>  
Quiz 2 June 1<sup>st</sup>  
Quiz 3 June 8<sup>th</sup>  
Midterm June 10<sup>th</sup>  
Quiz 4 June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Quiz 5 June 22<sup>nd</sup>

No classes on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> and Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
Classes end on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Topics Covered**

- (1) **Chapter 1:** populations, parameters, samples, histograms, distributions, mean, variance...
- (2) **Chapter 2:** sample spaces, events, counting techniques, probability measure, conditional probability, independence, Bayes’ Rule...
- (3) **Chapter 3, omit 3.10:** discrete random variables, probability distribution function of the geometric, binomial, negative binomial, hypergeometric, poisson random variables, expected value and variance for discrete random variables; moments and moment generating function; Chebyshev’s inequality and its proof. The multinomial distribution.
- (4) **Chapter 4, omit 4.7 and 4.11** Continuous random variables, probability distribution functions and cumulative distribution functions of continuous random variables; uniform, normal distributions, gamma distribution and its special cases, the exponential and chi-square distributions, expected values, variance, and moment generating functions of continuous random variables; Chebyshev’s inequality.
- (5) **Chapter 7 (7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and 7.5):** The Central Limit Theorem and its application, including the sampling distribution of the sample mean and the Normal approximation to the Binomial Distribution.
- (6) **Chapter 8 (8.5 – 8.7):** Introduction to estimation and statistics inference, point estimation and unbiasedness. Using pivotal quantities to construct confidence interval estimates, confidence interval estimation of the population mean and proportion...
- (7) **Chapter 10 (10.1-10.4, 10.6, 10.8):** Hypothesis testing of the population mean and proportion. Type I and Type II error, power of a test, p-values.

