

Lahore University of Management Sciences

MATH 230 - Probability

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Course URL LMS									
Course Basics									
Credit Hours		3							
Credit Hours		Nbr of Lec(s) Per							
Lecture(s)		Week	2	Duration	75 minutes				
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Course Distribu	ıtion								
Core		Core for all SSE majors							
Elective									
Open for Student Category		All students							
Close for Student Category None									
Course Descrip									
This is a first course in probability which provides preparation for further courses in stochastic processes, statistics, and statistical mechanics and an understanding of probability concepts essential for students who want to pursue their studies in physical sciences, social science, economics and engineering. The course starts with an introduction of probability terms and methods of computing simple and conditional probabilities. The concept of discrete and continuous random variables is taught; special discrete and continuous probability distributions are explored with their real life applications.									
Course Prerequisite(s)									
Course Frerequisite(s)									
	Calculus-I (MATH 101)								

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Learning Outcomes

Compute simple probabilities, expectations and variances

Compute conditional probabilities

Understand and use common discrete and continuous probability distributions

Understand and use central limit theorem

Grading Breakup and Policy

Quizzes (7 announced quizzes): 25% (Best 5)

Midterm Examination: 35% Final Examination: 40 %

Examination Detail

l	Midterm Exam	Duration: 90 minutes
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Exam Specifications: Closed book, closed notes; help sheet will be provided if needed; calculator is allowed

Final Exam Duration: 120 minutes

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Course Overview						
Week	Topics	Readings				
1,2	Counting, Permutations and Combinations	Chapter 1: Sec 1.1-1.5	7, 9, 15, 22, 30, 32			
3,4	Sample Space and Events, Axioms of Probability Probability of Events	Chapter 2: Sec 2.1-2.5	15, 38, 43, 45, 48, 55			
5,6	Conditional Probability, Bayes's Rule	Chapter 3: Sec 3.1-3.4	10, 13, 26, 28, 45, 47, 56			
7,8	Concept of Random Variable, Discrete Random Variable and Discrete Probability Distributions	Chapter 4: Sec 4.1-4.8	1, 10, 14, 17, 18, 19, 21, 3			

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9,10	Continuous Random Variables Continuous Probability Distributions	Chapter 5: Sec 5.1-5.5	3, 6, 7, 11, 15, 18, 37, 38
11,12	Joint Distributions	Chapter 6: Sec 6.1-6.5	2, 8, 12, 15, 18, 22, 27, 29
13,14	Properties of Expectation Central Limit Theorem	Chapter 7: 7.1-7.5 Chapter 8: Sec 8.1-8.3	Chapter 7: 7, 9, 10, 16, 21, 26, 51 Chapter 8: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 15

Textbook(s)/Supplementary Readings

Text:

A First Course in Probability, 8th Edition, by Sheldon Ross, Pearson Education

Supplementary Reading:

Introduction to Probability Models, 10th Edition, by Sheldon Ross, Academic Press