

# MAT 202 - Probability and Random Processes

## Lecture - 1



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## ① Dr. Dhaval Patel

- Role : Instructor
- Place: Faculty Office (Room-239)
- Faculty Profile:  
<https://ahduni.edu.in/seas/people/faculty/dhaval-patel>
- Area of Interest: Cyber Physical System, Wireless communications, Spectrum Data Analytics,  
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- Email: [dhaval.patel@ahduni.edu.in](mailto:dhaval.patel@ahduni.edu.in)

## ② Not Defined

- Role: TA - Tutorial, Assignment Evaluation, Query Solving etc.
- Brijesh-JRF (DST-UK), Sagar - JRF (DST-ASEAN), Research Engineers (ICT / Chemical /Mechanical)

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## Course Website

https:

[//piazza.com/ahmedabad\\_university/winter2019/mat202/home](https://piazza.com/ahmedabad_university/winter2019/mat202/home)

## Piazza !

Why to use Piazza!

- 1 To build your Confidence level
- 2 Collaborative Learning
- 3 Feedback on lecture session
- 4 Personal Communication with Instructor/TAs
- 5 Group discussion: Special Assignment
- 6 Put your thoughts on paper: Leads you towards Effective Communicator



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### Lecture Sessions: Room-107: Instructor

- ① 11.00 p.m to 12.30 p.m (Monday, Wednesday)
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### Grading Policy:

- 1 Semester End Exam: 40 %: 2 Hours exam: 40 Marks
- 2 Mid Semester Exam: 20 %: 2 Hours exam: 30 Marks
- 3 Homework Assignments: 15% Problem solving: Total five – Due at every 14 days)
- 4 Special Assignment: 25 %: Report submission and Presentation: Modeling of uncertainty in Life Science (Biology) / Chemical / Mechanical only (Modeling, Coding and Problem Solving)

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## - Library Resources

### Text Book

- 1 Scott Miller and Donald Childers. **Probability and random processes: With applications to signal processing and communications.** Academic Press, 2012.  
[Rs. 460-480 at Amazon ] [Library Copies:10]

### References:

- 1 Bertsekas, Dimitri, and John Tsitsiklis. Introduction to Probability. 2nd Ed. Athena Scientific, 2008.
- 2 Grimmett, Geoffrey, and David Stirzaker. Probability and Random Processes. 3rd Ed. Oxford University Press, 2001.
- 3 Papoulis, A, and S. U. Pillai (2002), Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes, 4th Ed., TMH.
- 4 A first Course in Probability, Sheldon Ross, 9th Edition, Person 2012.



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- Library Resources (Continue..)

## Video Lectures

- 1 <http://nptel.iitm.ac.in/courses/111102014/>
- 2 <http://ocw.mit.edu/courses/electrical-engineering-and-computer-science/6-041-probabilistic-systems-analysis-and-applied-probability-fall-2010/video-lectures/>

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- In this conversation, the **RELATIVE** attempts to use the **Concept of Probability** to discuss an **Uncertain Situation**.
- The nurse's initial response indicates that the meaning of "probability" is not understood
- The **RELATIVE** tries to make it more clear

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What if this was an **experimental drug** that was administered for the **very first time** in this hospital or in the **nurse's experience**?

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- It is an attempt to infer the nurse's beliefs in an indirect manner.
- Since the nurse is willing to accept a one-for-one bet that the drug would work, we may infer that the **Probability of Success is judged to be at least 50%**.



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Key Objectives and Outcomes for MA-202:

- To develop the art of **describing uncertainty** in terms of probabilistic models
- To describe the **generic structure of probabilistic models** and their **basic properties**
- Learn PRP as a tool to understand core engineering application
- **Important Engineering Applications:**

# Engineering applications

## - 1. Speech Recognition System (1/2)

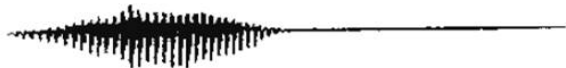
Vocabulary

Template

Hello



Yes



No



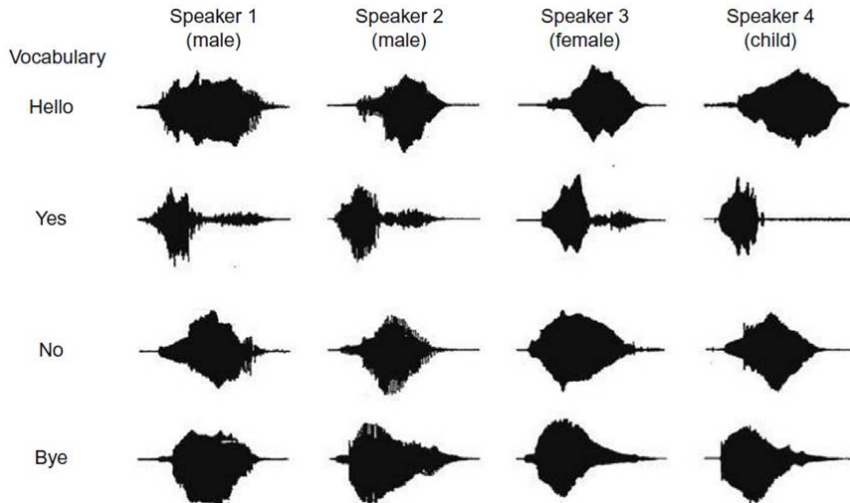
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Templates



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## - 2. Radar System



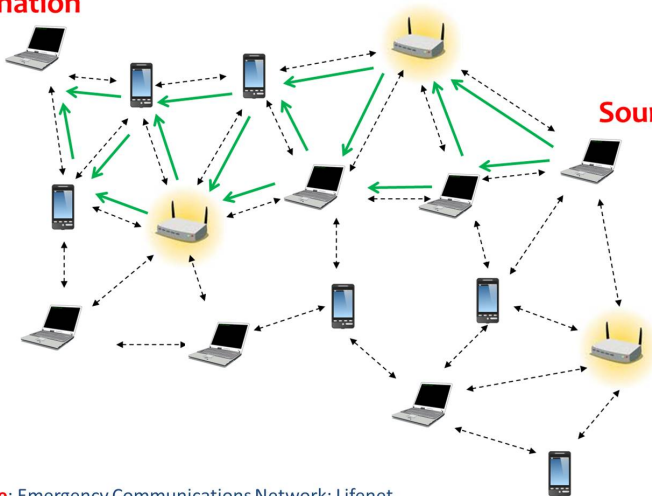
**Source:** <http://www.ktm2day.com/2011/01/12/tia-13-yr-old-radar-still-out-of-order/>

# Engineering applications

## - 3.Communication Network

**Destination**

**Source**



**Source:** Emergency Communications Network: Lifenet



# Thank you