

CS 333202 Probability and Statistics



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Course Objectives

- This course will cover topics of fundamental importance concerning the concepts, methodology, and the mathematics of probability. The covered topics are:
 - Axioms of Probability
 - Combinatorial Methods (skipped!)
 - Conditional Probability and Independence
 - Distribution Functions and Discrete Random Variables
 - Special Discrete Distributions
 - Continuous Random Variables
 - Special Continuous Distributions
 - Bivariate Distributions
 - Multivariate Distributions
 - More Expectations and Variances
 - Sums of Independent Random Variables and Limit Theorems



General Information

- Lectures:
 - Tuesday 2:10PM-3:00PM, Friday 3:20PM-5:10PM
- The course web page is located at
 - <http://wmnet.cs.nthu.edu.tw/Course/PS/>
- The course discussion group: to be announced
- Exams
 - Quizzes: once per week
 - Three closed-book exams, 1st: 10/23, 2nd: 12/4, 3rd: 1/15 (tentative)
- Grading
 - Homework: 0%
 - Quizzes: 25% - closed book, 10-15 minutes in duration
 - Midterm1: 25% - closed book
 - Midterm2: 25% - closed book
 - Final Exam: 25% - closed book
 - 期末不會調分



Reading Materials

- Text Book:

- S. Ghahramani, *Fundamentals of Probability with Stochastic Processes*, 3rd edition, Prentice Hall, 2005

- Additional Reading:

- A. H. Haddad, *Probabilistic Systems and Random Signals*, Prentice Hall, 2006
- S. Ross, *A First Course in Probability*, 6th edition, Prentice Hall, 2002
- T. T. Soong, *Fundamentals of Probability and Statistics for Engineers*, Wiley, 2004
- R. E. Walpole, R. H. Myers, S. L. Myers, K. Ye, *Probability and Statistics for Engineers and Scientists*, 8th Edition, Prentice Hall, 2007
- Check class website regularly

- Handouts:

- Will be available before the class on the course website



Course Academic Integrity Policy

- You are not allowed:
 - Copying all or part of someone else's work
 - Giving another student in the class a copy of your work
 - Consulting with others during an exam

- Students who violate this policy
 - In the quizzes: no credit
 - In the exams: final score will be ZERO



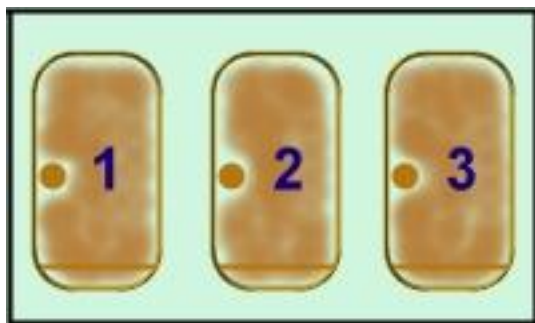
Outline of our study

- Axioms of Probability (C1)
- Combinatorial Methods (C2) => not covered
- Conditional Probability and Independence (C3)
- Distribution Functions and Discrete Random Variables (C4)
- Special Discrete Distributions (C5)
- Continuous Random Variables (C6)
- Special Continuous Distributions (C7)
- Bivariate Distributions (C8)
- Multivariate Distributions (C9)
- More Expectations and Variances (C10)
- Sums of Independent Random Variables and Limit Theorems (C11)



An Interesting Probability Question

- 綜藝節目猜車子遊戲中，總共有三個門，其中一個門後面有車子。
- 在來賓任意選擇一個門之後，主持人隨便翻開其餘兩個門中沒有車子的一個，並給來賓一個更換選擇的機會。
- 請問來賓是否應該更換選擇呢？



汽車-山羊問題(Car-Goat Problem), 改編自
1991年7月21日 New York Times -
<http://probstat.nuk.edu.tw/book2/p1/p1.htm>
(國立高雄大學應用數學系)



Solution 1

- 來賓看到主持人翻開一個沒有車子的門後很高興。原先他只知道自己有 $1/3$ 的機會獲獎，現因只剩兩個門了，所以他會獲獎的機會提高至 $1/2$ 。
- 因此他決定不更換選擇。



Solution 2

| 情節 | 門 | | | 主持人展示了 這座門後的山羊 | 這種情節 發生的機率 |
|----|---|---|--|-------------------|---------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | | |
| 1a |  |  |  | 2 | $\frac{1}{6}$ |
| 1b |  |  |  | 3 | $\frac{1}{6}$ |
| 2 |  |  |  | 3 | $\frac{1}{3}$ |
| 3 |  |  |  | 2 | $\frac{1}{3}$ |

- 假設主持人知道哪扇門後有汽車。
- 假設觀眾選定的是 1 號門。
- 改變選擇後獲獎的機率： $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$ 。



Schedule

| WEEK/DATE | TENTATIVE TOPICS |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 (9/15, 9/18) | Ch1 |
| 2 (9/22, 9/25) | Ch3 |
| 3 (9/29, 10/2) | Quiz 1(10/2), Ch3, Ch4 (10/2開始Ch4) |
| 4 (10/6, 10/9) | Quiz 2(10/9), Ch4 |
| 5 (10/13, 10/16) | Quiz 3(10/16), Ch4 |
| 6 (10/20, 10/23) | Midterm 1(10/23), Ch5 |
| 7 (10/27, 10/30) | Ch5 |
| 8 (11/3, 11/6) | Quiz 4(11/6), Ch 5 |
| 9 (11/10, 11/13) | Quiz 5(11/13), Ch5, Ch6 (11/13開始Ch6) |
| 10 (11/17, 11/20) | Quiz 6(11/20), Ch6 |



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| WEEK/DATE | TENTATIVE TOPICS |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| 11 (11/24, 11/27) | Quiz7(11/27), Ch7 |
| 12 (12/1, 12/4) | Midterm 2(12/4), Ch7 |
| 13 (12/8, 12/11) | Ch7, Ch8 |
| 14 (12/15, 12/18) | Quiz8(12/18), Ch8 |
| 15 (12/22, 12/25) | Quiz9(12/25), Ch10 |
| 16 (12/29) | Ch10, Ch11 |
| 17 (1/5, 1/8) | Quiz10(1/8), Ch11 |
| 18 (1/12, 1/15) | Final Exam(1/15) |
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