

Introduction to Operations Research: Stochastic Models

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Textbook:

Introduction to Probability Models, tenth ed., Sheldon Ross, Academic Press, 2010.

Course Objectives:

To familiarize the students with the concepts and ideas useful in posing and analyzing stochastic models.

Course Outcomes:

- A review of probability
- An understanding of and facility in utilizing conditional expectations
- Knowledge of exponential random variables and the Poisson process
- Markov chains and Markov decision processes
- Familiarity with Brownian motion and stationary processes

Grades: Based on

30 percent: Homeworks

30 percent: Midterm exam

40 percent: Final exam