

Course Outline

1. Introduction to Probability

- *Sample spaces, events, outcomes, axioms of probability*
- *Counting, permutations, combinations, binomial coefficients*
- *Probability, conditional probability, Bayes rule, independence*
- *Random variables, discrete and continuous distributions*
- *Expectation, moments of a distribution*
- *Chebyshev's inequality, characteristic functions, transformations of random variables*
- *Binomial, Poisson, uniform, and normal distributions*
- *Normal approximation to the binomial distribution, examples*
- *Exponential distribution, reliability, redundancy*
- *Distributions of several random variables, moments of joint distributions, independence, covariance, correlation coefficient*

2. Mathematical Statistics

- *Random sampling, parameter estimation, distribution of the sample mean, central limit theorem*
- *Confidence intervals for the mean with known variance, sample variance, biased and unbiased estimators*
- *Chi-squared distribution, confidence intervals for the variance, t-distribution, confidence intervals for the mean for small samples*
- *Maximum-likelihood estimation, hypothesis testing*
- *Detection, significance levels, test for the mean of a normal distribution with known variance, operating curves*
- *Test for the mean of a normal distribution with unknown variance, testing a proportion*
- *Test for the variance of a normal distribution, test for the difference of two means, non-parametric tests: sign test, test for arbitrary trends*
- *Chi-squared test for the goodness of fit*
- *Regression analysis*
- *Correlation analysis*