

# Probability, first course

Programme course

4 credits

Sannolikhetslära

TAMS14

Valid from: 2017 Spring semester

**Determined by**

Board of Studies for Electrical  
Engineering, Physics and Mathematics

**Date determined**

2017-01-25

## Main field of study

Mathematics, Applied Mathematics

## Course level

First cycle

## Advancement level

G1X

## Course offered for

- Biomedical Engineering, M Sc in Engineering
- Applied Physics and Electrical Engineering, M Sc in Engineering
- Applied Physics and Electrical Engineering - International, M Sc in Engineering

## Entry requirements

Note: Admission requirements for non-programme students usually also include admission requirements for the programme and threshold requirements for progression within the programme, or corresponding.

## Prerequisites

Linear algebra, differential and integral calculus, series.

## Intended learning outcomes

The aim of the course is to provide an introduction to the mathematical modelling of random experiments. The emphasis is on methods applicable to problems in engineering, economy and natural sciences. After completing the course the student should have the knowledge and skills required to:

- identify experimental situations where random factors may affect the results.
- construct relevant probabilistic models for simple random experiments.
- describe the basic concepts and theorems of probability theory, such as random variable, distribution function and the law of total probability.
- compute important quantities in probabilistic models, e.g., probabilities and expectations.
- follow a basic course in statistical theory.

## Course content

Sample space, events and probabilities. Combinatorics. Conditional probabilities and independent events. Discrete and continuous random variables. Distribution functions, probability mass functions, probability density functions. Conditional distributions and independent random variables. Functions of random variables. Expectation, variance, standard deviation, covariance, correlation coefficient. Particular distributions, e.g., Gaussian, exponential, uniform, binomial and Poisson distributions. Law of large numbers and the central limit theorem. The Poisson process.

## Teaching and working methods

Lectures and tutorials, dealing with theory and exercises.

## Examination

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| TEN1 | Written examination | 4 credits | U, 3, 4, 5 |
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## Grades

Four-grade scale, LiU, U, 3, 4, 5

## Other information

Supplementary courses: Statistics, basic course. Stochastic Processes. Probability Theory, Second course. Probability and Bayesian Networks. Queueing Theory. Digital Image Processing. Signal Theory.

## Department

Matematiska institutionen

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Ingegerd Skoglund

## Examiner

Torkel Erhardsson

## Course website and other links

<http://courses.mai.liu.se/GU/TAMS14>

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 38 h

Recommended self-study hours: 69 h

## Course literature

G. Blom, J. Enger, G. Englund, J. Grandell, L. Holst: Sannolikhets teori och statistik teori med tillämpningar. Studentlitteratur. Exempelsamling utgiven av institutionen. Institutionens formelsamling i matematisk statistik.

## Common rules

Regulations (apply to LiU in its entirety)

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