

# Stochastic Processes Applied to Financial Models

Programme course

6 credits

Stokastiska processer för finansmarknadsmodeller

TAMS29

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

Second cycle

## Advancement level

A1X

## Course offered for

- Industrial Engineering and Management - International, M Sc in Engineering
- Industrial Engineering and Management, M Sc in Engineering
- Applied Physics and Electrical Engineering, M Sc in Engineering
- Mathematics, Master's programme
- 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, Analysis. Introduction to Probability Theory. A second course in mathematical analysis is useful.

## Intended learning outcomes

The course gives an introduction to the theory of stochastic processes and the Black-Scholes model. After a completed course the student is expected to be able to:

- handle advanced items and theorems within the theory of stochastic processes, such as the Kolmogorov extension theorem, ergodicity of time discrete Markov chains, the Kolmogorov differential equations for time continuous Markov chains, Wiener process, Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process, stochastic Itô-integral, Itô-formula, Martingales in discrete and continuous time, Doob's measure and stopping
- construct solutions to stochastic differential equations
- understand the two different approaches to the Black-Scholes formula, on the one hand by means of the geometric Brownian motion and related partial differential equations, on the other hand by means of the fundamental theorem of pricing
- calculate the fair price of certain financial assets

## Course content

Martingales, Markov processes, stochastic integrals, stochastic differential equations, Brownian motion, Itô's formula, Girsanov's theorem,

diffusion processes, random walk, Ising model,

Black-Scholes formula, risk-neutral valuation, volatility,

geometric Brownian motion and statistical analysis of stock prices,

## Teaching and working methods

Lectures and tutorials.

## Examination

TEN1	Written Examination	6 credits	U, 3, 4, 5
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## Grades

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

## Department

Matematiska institutionen

## Director of Studies or equivalent

Ingegerd Skoglund

## Examiner

Jörg-Uwe Löbus

## Course website and other links

<http://courses.mai.liu.se/GU/TAMS29>

## Education components

Preliminary scheduled hours: 48 h

Recommended self-study hours: 112 h

## Common rules

Regulations (apply to LiU in its entirety)

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