# Engineering Tripos Part IB, 2P7: Probability, 2017-18

## Leader

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## **Timing and Structure**

1 or 2 lectures per week in weeks 1-4. 6 lectures.

## **Aims**

The aims of the course are to:

• Show how concepts of probability can be applied to engineering applications.

# **Objectives**

As specific objectives, by the end of the course students should be able to:

- Explain and use simple ideas of probability, mean, variance, etc.
- Manipulate random variables and probability density functions.
- Solve simple statistical problems of engineering importance.

### Content

#### **Probability and Statistics**

- Probability.
- Conditional probability and independence.
- · Permutations and combinations.
- Binomial and Poisson distributions.
- Expectation of a discrete random variable.
- Variance and standard deviation.
- Probability density function for a continuous random variable.
- · Mean and variance.
- Normal and exponential distribution.
- Tests of significance and confidence intervals

## **Further Information**

Further information, including details of each lecture and hand-outs are available here: <a href="http://mlg.eng.cam.ac.uk/teaching/1BP7">http://mlg.eng.cam.ac.uk/teaching/1BP7</a> [2]

#### **Booklists**

Please see the **Booklist for Part IB Courses** [3] for references for this module.

### **Examination Guidelines**

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Please refer to Form & conduct of the examinations [4].

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