

# **Engineering Tripos Part IB, 2P7: Probability, 2018-19**

## **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:

<http://mlg.eng.cam.ac.uk/teaching/1BP7> [2]

### **Booklists**

Please see the [Booklist for Part IB Courses](#) [3] for references for this module.

### **Examination Guidelines**

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

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