



# STAT\*6721 Stochastic Modelling

Fall 2019

Section(s): C01

Department of Mathematics & Statistics

Credit Weight: 0.50

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## 1 Course Details

### 1.1 Calendar Description

Topics include the Poisson process, renewal theory, Markov chains, Martingales, random walks, Brownian motion and other Markov processes. Methods will be applied to a variety of subject matter areas. Offered in conjunction with STAT\*4360. Extra work is required for graduate students.

**Restrictions:** Credit may be obtained for only one of STAT\*4360 or STAT\*6721

### 1.2 Course Description

This course will be on time series analysis. We will primarily be investigating time series models in both the frequency and time domains. Frequency domain, or spectral analysis is useful for extracting global features of a given time series, where in fact what we would like to deduce is whether or not a given time series is white noise, a completely random process. Time domain analysis is the actual modeling aspect of time series where the main tool is parameter estimation of an autoregressive moving average process. Frequency and time domain analyses come together in that after parameter estimation is complete in the time domain, frequency domain analysis can tell us whether residuals have been reduced to white noise which is the most we can expect. Time series computation will be heavily used in this course. The statistical software package R will be utilized. All students will be required to have access to R. Details will be provided in class.

### 1.3 Timetable

MW 1-2:20 pm

MINS 101

### 1.4 Final Exam

Fri Dec 13, 11:30AM-1:30PM, Room TBA

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## 2 Instructional Support

### 2.1 Instructional Support Team

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## 3 Learning Resources

### 3.1 Required Resources

**Modern Applied Statistics with S, Fourth Edition, W.N. Venables and B.D. Ripley, Springer (Textbook)**

This book is available online through library. We will primarily be using chapter 14.

**R (Software)**

<http://www.r-project.org/>

The primary statistical software package that will be used in this course is **R**, which is freely available for download. Students are strongly encouraged to install **R** on their personal computers.

### 3.2 Recommended Resources

**Time Series: A Biostatistical Introduction, Peter J. Diggle. Oxford Science Publications. (Textbook)**

Available on course reserve (2 hour loan) in the library

### 3.3 Courselink

Online discussion boards

- Online discussion boards will be available on Courselink.
  - They are only to be used for course-related matters.
  - Students are encouraged to help each other understand concepts - Discussion boards will be monitored for accuracy and content.
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## 4 Learning Outcomes

This is an advanced statistical data analysis course involving time series.

## 4.1 Course Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

1. Following this course students will have a firm grasp of:
    - analyzing time series data
    - determine whether a time series is white noise
    - model time series in terms of autoregressive integrated moving average process
    - link the association of two time series in terms of a transfer function
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## 5 Teaching and Learning Activities

This course will be primarily lecture driven with student interaction.

### 5.1 Lecture

#### Week 1

**Topics:** Introduction to time series.

#### Week 2

**Topics:** Stationary processes.

#### Week 3

**Topics:** Spectral analysis.

#### Week 4

**Topics:** Autoregressive moving average (ARMA) models.

#### Week 5

**Topics:** ARMA models cont'd.

#### Week 6

**Topics:** Smoothing the periodogram.

**Week 7**

**Topics:** Smoothing the periodogram cont'd.

**Week 8**

**Topics:** Autoregressive integrated moving average model.

**Week 9**

**Topics:** Autoregressive integrated moving average cont'd.

**Week 10**

**Topics:** Transfer function modelling.

**Week 11**

**Topics:** Transfer function modelling cont'd.

**Week 12**

**Topics:** Additional topics time permitting.

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## 6 Assessments

### 6.1 Marking Schemes & Distributions

**Assignments:** There will be 5 assignments that will not be collected for grading but will be discussed in class.

**Midterms:** There will be two midterms each worth 25%.

Midterm 1 (in class) Oct 24

Midterm 2 (in class) Nov 21

**Final Exam:** A final exam worth 50%.

## 7 University Statements

### 7.1 Email Communication

As per university regulations, all students are required to check their e-mail account regularly: e-mail is the official route of communication between the University and its students.

### 7.2 When You Cannot Meet a Course Requirement

When you find yourself unable to meet an in-course requirement because of illness or compassionate reasons please advise the course instructor (or designated person, such as a teaching assistant) in writing, with your name, id#, and e-mail contact. The grounds for Academic Consideration are detailed in the Undergraduate and Graduate Calendars.

Undergraduate Calendar - Academic Consideration and Appeals

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-ac.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Grounds for Academic Consideration

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/index.shtml>

Associate Diploma Calendar - Academic Consideration, Appeals and Petitions

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/diploma/current/index.shtml>

### 7.3 Drop Date

Students will have until the last day of classes to drop courses without academic penalty. The deadline to drop two-semester courses will be the last day of classes in the second semester. This applies to all students (undergraduate, graduate and diploma) except for Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and Associate Diploma in Veterinary Technology (conventional and alternative delivery) students. The regulations and procedures for course registration are available in their respective Academic Calendars.

Undergraduate Calendar - Dropping Courses

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-drop.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Registration Changes

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/genreg-reg-regchg.shtml>

Associate Diploma Calendar - Dropping Courses

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/diploma/current/c08/c08-drop.shtml>

### 7.4 Copies of Out-of-class Assignments

Keep paper and/or other reliable back-up copies of all out-of-class assignments: you may be asked to resubmit work at any time.

## 7.5 Accessibility

The University promotes the full participation of students who experience disabilities in their academic programs. To that end, the provision of academic accommodation is a shared responsibility between the University and the student.

When accommodations are needed, the student is required to first register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS). Documentation to substantiate the existence of a disability is required; however, interim accommodations may be possible while that process is underway.

Accommodations are available for both permanent and temporary disabilities. It should be noted that common illnesses such as a cold or the flu do not constitute a disability.

Use of the SAS Exam Centre requires students to book their exams at least 7 days in advance and not later than the 40th Class Day.

For Guelph students, information can be found on the SAS website  
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/sas>

For Ridgetown students, information can be found on the Ridgetown SAS website  
<https://www.ridgetownc.com/services/accessibilityservices.cfm>

## 7.6 Academic Integrity

The University of Guelph is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity, and it is the responsibility of all members of the University community—faculty, staff, and students—to be aware of what constitutes academic misconduct and to do as much as possible to prevent academic offences from occurring. University of Guelph students have the responsibility of abiding by the University's policy on academic misconduct regardless of their location of study; faculty, staff, and students have the responsibility of supporting an environment that encourages academic integrity. Students need to remain aware that instructors have access to and the right to use electronic and other means of detection.

Please note: Whether or not a student intended to commit academic misconduct is not relevant for a finding of guilt. Hurried or careless submission of assignments does not excuse students from responsibility for verifying the academic integrity of their work before submitting it. Students who are in any doubt as to whether an action on their part could be construed as an academic offence should consult with a faculty member or faculty advisor.

Undergraduate Calendar - Academic Misconduct  
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c08/c08-amisconduct.shtml>

Graduate Calendar - Academic Misconduct  
<https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/graduate/current/genreg/index.shtml>

## 7.7 Recording of Materials

Presentations that are made in relation to course work - including lectures - cannot be recorded or copied without the permission of the presenter, whether the instructor, a student, or guest lecturer. Material recorded with permission is restricted to use for that course unless further permission is granted.

## **7.8 Resources**

The Academic Calendars are the source of information about the University of Guelph's procedures, policies, and regulations that apply to undergraduate, graduate, and diploma programs.

Academic Calendars

<https://www.uoguelph.ca/academics/calendars>

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