

# MATH 543 – Stochastic Analysis

**Course Description from Bulletin:** This course will introduce the student to modern finite dimensional stochastic analysis Ito formula and stochastic integration to semimartingales, c) stochastic differential equations (SDE's) semimartingales, with focus on stochastic SDE's driven by Levy absolutely continuous changes of measures for semimartingales, e) applications. (3-0-3)

**Enrollment:** Graduate elective

**Textbook(s):** Klebaner, Fima C., *Introduction to Stochastic Calculus with Applications*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Imperial College Press

**Other required material:**

**Prerequisites:** MATH 475, or consent of an instructor

**Objectives:**

1. Students will understand the concept and basic properties of two fundamental stochastic processes in continuous time: Brownian motion and Poisson processes.
2. Students will understand the concept and basic properties of continuous time semi-martingales.
3. Students will understand the concept, properties and use of stochastic exponents.
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**Lecture schedule:** 2 75 minute lectures

<b>Course Outline:</b>	<b>Hours</b>
1. Preliminaries from calculus	3
a. Variation of function	
b. Riemann and Riemann-Stieltjes integrals	
c. Differentials and integrals	
d. Other useful stuff	
2. Preliminaries from probability	3
a. Fields and filtrations: discrete model	
b. Continuous model	
c. Lebesgue-Stieltjes integral and expectations	
d. Independence and conditioning	
e. Stochastic processes	
3. Martingales	12
a. Definitions	

- b. Basic examples: Brownian motion, Poisson process and related martingales
  - c. Uniform integrability
  - d. Martingale convergence
  - e. Optional stopping
  - f. Quadratic variation and predictable quadratic variation; martingale representations of Brownian motion
  - g. Stochastic integrals
  - h. Localization and local martingales
  - i. Martingale inequalities
  - j. Martingale representation
  - k. Random change of time
4. Semimartingales 15
- a. Definitions and basic examples
  - b. Quadratic variation and covariance
  - c. Predictable processes
  - d. Boob-Meyer decompositions
  - e. Stochastic integrals
  - f. Ito formula I
  - g. Stochastic exponent
  - h. Sharp bracket process and compensators
  - i. Ito formula II
5. Change of measure and Girsanov theorem 6
- a. Change of measure for random variables
  - b. Absolutely continuous probability measures
  - c. Girsanov theorem
6. Stochastic Differential Equations 6
- a. Basic concepts
  - b. Existence and uniqueness of solutions
  - c. Selected properties of solutions
  - d. Jump diffusion processes and related IPDEs
  - e. Removal of drift
  - f. Backward SDEs

<b>Assessment:</b>	Homework	0-10%
	Quizzes/Tests	45-50%
	Graduate Project	0-10%
	Final Exam	45-50%

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