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Course outline: The course will be based on topics from the first 9 chapters of “Introduction to probability”, by Charles M. Grinstead and J. Laurie Snell (Second revised edition).

Evaluation: The final mark will be based on homework (15%), midterm (35%), and the final exam (50%).

Homework: Weekly assignments will be given. These are due at the beginning of class on the due date, normally each Wednesday. No later assignments be accepted. The single lowest assignment will be ignored. Due dates for assignments: Sep. 23, 30; Oct. 7, 14, 28; Nov. 4, 13, 18, 25.

Holidays: October 12, November 11.

Mid-terms: The midterm will take place during class on Wednesday, October 21.

Final Examination: will take place in the December examination period. Please do not make travel plans before the exam schedule is announced.

Discussion board: We will use a piazza discussion board this term. You can ask questions regarding the course there, and answer other students’ questions. Do not post solutions to assignments there.

Missed mid-terms and assignments will normally receive a zero grade. Exceptions may be granted by prior consent from me, or for a documented medical emergency. In the latter case, I must be notified as soon as possible (preferably before the test), and presented with a doctor’s note immediately upon the student’s return to UBC. When an exception is granted for a missed test, there is no make-up test, and the final exam mark will be used.