

DATE	HW DUE	SECTION & TOPIC
M 1.11 T 1.12 W 1.13 R 1.14		1.1-1.2: Introduction to Markov chains 1.2: Basic examples of Markov chains 1.3-1.4: Operations with transition matrices Activity: practice problems with Markov chains
M 1.18 T 1.19 W 1.20 R 1.21		<i>No class - Martin Luther King Day</i> 1.5: Recurrence and transience 1.5: Properties of recurrent states 1.6: Absorption probabilities
M 1.25 T 1.26 W 1.27 R 1.28	1-13	Activity: more practice problems with Markov chains Preparation for first group presentation Preparation for first group presentation Preparation for first group presentation
M 2.1 T 2.2 W 2.3 R 2.4		First group presentation: Markov chains 2.1-2.2: Introduction to martingales 2.2-2.3: Conditional expectation 2.4: Martingales and the Optional Stopping Theorem
M 2.8 T 2.9 W 2.10 R 2.11		2.5: Random walk on \mathbb{Z} 2.5: Random walk on \mathbb{Z} Activity: random walk in higher dimensions Review
M 2.15 T 2.16 W 2.17 R 2.18	14-21	EXAM 1: covers Chapters 1 and 2 3.1: Elementary properties of stationary distributions 3.2: Cesàro convergence 3.2: Mean return times
M 2.22 T 2.23 W 2.24 R 2.25	22-28	3.2: Null recurrent and positive recurrent states 3.2-3.3: Existence and uniqueness of stationary distributions 3.3: Convergence properties and periodicity 3.4: Calculations of stationary distributions I
M 2.29 T 3.1 W 3.2 R 3.3		3.4: Calculations of stationary distributions II Preparation for second group presentation Preparation for second group presentation Second group presentation: Markov chains
M 3.7 to R 3.10		<i>No class - Spring Break</i>
M 3.14 T 3.15 W 3.16 R 3.17	29-40	Review Applications of probability to bracketology EXAM 2: covers Chapter 3 Activity: review of eigenvalues and eigenvectors

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M 3.21 T 3.22 W 3.23 R 3.24		4.1-4.2: Introduction to CTMCs 4.2: Q-matrices and matrix exponentiation 4.2: Computations with finite state space CTMCs <i>No class - mid-semester recess</i>
M 3.28 T 3.29 W 3.30 R 3.31		Activity: CTMCs with finite state space 4.3: Jump processes 4.4: Class structure of CTMCs 5.1-5.2: Birth-death chains
M 4.4 T 4.5 W 4.6 R 4.7	41-45	5.2-5.4: Branching chains and processes 5.5-5.6: Queuing models 6.1-6.2: Introduction to Brownian motion Preparation for third group presentation
M 4.11 T 4.12 W 4.13 R 4.14	46-57	Third group presentation: 6.3: martingales associated to BM Third group presentation: 6.4-6.5: Gaussian processes Third group presentation: 6.6-6.7: zero sets of BM Review
M 4.18 T 4.19 W 4.20 R 4.21	58-71	EXAM 3: covers Chapters 4, 5 and 6 Preparation for final presentations
M 4.25 to R 4.28		Final presentations