Math 280C Topics

Spring 2005

1. Concluding discussion of Chapter 10 in the Resnick text

2. Markov Chains

- (a) Strong Markov property
- (b) Transience and recurrence
- (c) Limit theorems and invariant measures

3. Brownian Motion

- (a) Construction and basic properties
- (b) Brownian motion as martingale
- (c) Brownian motion as Markov process; reflection principle
- (d) Functional Central Limit Theorem; Donsker's Theorem
- (e) Law of the Iterated Logarithm

4. Stochastic Integral (with respect to Brownian Motion)

- (a) Construction and basic properties
- (b) Itô's Formula
- (c) Levy's characterization of Brownian Motion
- (d) Predictable Representation Theorem
- (e) Brownian Motion and PDE; Black-Scholes Formula

Reading List

On Reserve.

- 1. Chung, K.L. & R.J. Williams: *Introduction to stochastic integration* (2nd ed) [QA274.22 .C48 1990]
- 2. Durrett, R. Probability: theory and examples [QA273 .D865 1996]
- 3. Elliott, R.J. Stochastic calculus and applications [QA274.2 .E44 1982]
- 4. Freedman, D. Brownian motion and diffusion [QA274.75 .F74]
- 5. Karatzas, I. & Shreve, S.E. Brownian motion and stochastic calculus (2nd ed) [QA274.75 .K37 1991]
- 6. Kallenberg, O. Foundations of modern probability (2nd ed) [QA273 .K285 2001]
- 7. Knight, F.B. Essentials of Brownian motion and diffusion [QA274.75 .K58]
- 8. Kopp, P.E. Martingales and stochastic integrals [QA274.5 .K67 1984]
- 9. Norris, J.R. *Markov Chains* [QA274.7 .N67 1997]
- 9. Øksendal, B.K. Stochastic differential equations: an introduction with applications (5th ed) [QA274.23 .O47 1998]
- 10. Rogers, L.C.G. & Williams, D. Diffusions, Markov processes, and martingales (2 vol.) [QA274.7 .W54 2000 1, QA274.7 .W54 2000 2]

More advanced reading.

- 11. Ito, K. & H. P. McKean, Jr Diffusion processes and their sample paths (2d print., corr) [QA273 .I89 1974]
- 12. Protter, P.E. Stochastic integration and differential equations: a new approach [QA274.22 .P76 1992]
- 13. Revuz, D & Yor, M. Continuous martingales and Brownian motion (3rd ed) [QA274.5 .R48 1999]