

Syllabus of the Comprehensive Exam

MATH 563 Probability theory

Topics

- **Elements of measure theory:** Measurable spaces , measurable functions, Measures and Integration, L_p spaces , Product measures.
- **Probability:** Random Variables, laws, expectation, independence, Moments, Variance, Covariance, Jensen inequality, Characteristic functions, Laplace transform, Multivariate Gaussian laws.
- **Convergence:** Different types of convergence of random variables, Weak and strong law of large numbers, The central limit theorem.
- **Conditioning:** Conditional expectation, Conditional Laws, Conditional laws of Gaussian vectors.
- **Martingales:** General definition of a martingale, The stopping time theorem, L_1 convergence and regularity.

References

- P. Baldi, *Probability An Introduction Through Theory and Exercises*. 1st edition (2023).
- D. Rick, *Probability: Theory and Examples*. Cambridge University Press, 2019.