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Stochastic Differential Equations with Applications

Course: APM598, Stochastic Differential Equations with applications

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Where & When: WXMLR 309, TTh 4:30-5:45.

Course will cover basic theory following Oksendal text and consider applications from the texts by Allen. We begin with Brownian motion, stochastic calculus, and then basic well-posedness for stochastic differential equations (SDEs). I may follow text by Oksendal but students need not purchase this text as the material can be found in the online texts.

Students will be expected to do a project which they present in class. This could be a class presentation of a portion of one of the texts.

Prerequisites: Measure theory and familiarity with stochastic processes. For example, APM506, APM541, MAT570.

One possible SDE version of Logistic growth:

$$dX(t) = rX(t)(1 - X(t)/K)dt + \sqrt{rX(t)}dW(t)$$

References:

Stochastic differential equations and applications, 2 ed., Xuerong Mao, available online through ASU library

Mathematically rigorous, nice chapters on stability of equilibria, on linear systems, on systems with time delay.

Modeling with Ito Stochastic Differential Equations, E. Allen, Springer, available online through ASU library

Least technical introduction to SDE based on Hilbert-space methods; especially good for numerical simulations (lots of matlab programs), parameter estimation, and a very good final chapter on how to construct SDE models from discrete-time, discrete-valued, stochastic processes. See intuitive derivation of the Forward Kolmogorov (Fokker-Planck) Equation in sec. 4.7.

Stochastic Differential Equations, 6th ed., B. Oksendal, Springer, 2007.

Very polished introduction, mathematically rigorous. Not much help for modeling.

An Introduction to Stochastic Differential Equations, L.Evans, Amer. Math Soc. 2013.

Very brief introduction. Nice construction of Brownian motion via Haar wavelets.