Department of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science
Marquette University
Syllabus

Course: MSCS 6020 Simulation, Spring 2014
Time: TuTh 5:00-6:15 Cudahy Hall 120
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Texts: Ross, Sheldon (2012). *Simulation*, Fifth edition, Academic Press. ISBN: 0124159710
Grading: A midterm (in class) on March 6, weekly homework and participation, and a final exam (in class) on Dec 6, 5:45 pm – 7:45 pm. Homework & Class Participation (30%), Mid-Term Exam (30%) ,and a Final (40%).

Chapter 2: Elements of Probability
Sample Space and Events, Axioms of Probability, Random Variables, Expectation, Discrete RVs, Continuous RVs,
Conditional Expectation and Variance
Chapter 3: Random Numbers
Number Generation, Random Numbers to Evaluate Integrals
Chapter 4: Generating Discrete RVs
Inverse Transform, Poisson RV, Binomial RV, Acceptance-Rejection, Composition Approach, Alias Method, Random Vectors
Chapter 5: Generating Continuous RVs
Inverse Transform, Rejection Polar Method for Normal RVs, Poisson Processes, Nonhomogeneous Poisson Processes, 2D Poisson Process.
Chapter 6: Multivariate Normal and Copulas
Multivariate Normal, Generating Multivariate Normal RVs, Copulas, Generating Variables from Copula Models
Chapter 7: Discrete Event Simulation
Discrete Events, Queueing Systems, Inventory Model, Insurance Risk Model, Repair Problem, Stock Option
Chapter 8: Analysis of Simulated Data
Sample Mean and Variance, Interval Estimates of Mean, Bootstrapping for Mean Square Error
Chapter 9: Variance Reduction Techniques
Antithetic Variables, Control Variates, Variance Reduction by Conditioning, Stratified Sampling, Importance Sampling, Common Random Numbers, Exotic Option
Chapter 10: Additional Variance Reduction Techniques
Conditional Bernoulli Sampling, Normalized Importance Sampling, Latin Hyper Cube Sampling
Chapter 11: Statistical Validation Techniques
Goodness of Fit Tests, Two Sample Problem, Validating Assumptions of a Nonhomogeneous Poisson Process
Chapter 12: Markov Chain Monte Carlo Methods
Markov Chains, Hastings-Metropolis Algorithm, Gibbs Sampler, Markov Chains and Queueing Loss, Simulated Annealing, Sampling Importance Resampling