Textbook: [Y&G] R. D. Yates and D. J. Goodman, Probability and Stochastic Processes: A Friendly Introduction for Electrical and Computer Engineers, 2nd ed., Wiley, 2004. Call No. QA273 Y384 2005.

Topics	[Y&G]
1. Probability and You	
a. Randomness	
b. Background on Some Frequently Used Examples	
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c. A Glimpse at Probability Theory	
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ii. Outcomes and Sample space	p. 8
iii. Event	p. 8-9
iv. Relative Frequency	p. 12-13, 67
v. Law of Large Numbers	p. 12-13, 67
vi. Using MATLAB to generate and analyze the sequence of coin flipping	p. 40 [Y&G] uses the `rand` and `hist` commands.
2. Review of Set Theory	Section 1.1 Set Theory
a. Venn diagram, basic set operations /identities (e.g. de Morgan Laws)	p. 2
b. Disjoint sets	p. 5
c. Partition	p. 10-11 (This is called **event space** in [Y&G])
d. Cardinality, Finite set, Countable Sets, Countably Infinite Sets, Uncountable Sets, Singleton	
i. Useful for checking whether a random variable is discrete or continuous	
e. Terminology of set theory and probability.	p. 9
3. Classical Probability	
a. Assumptions	
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4. Enumeration / Combinatorics / Counting	Section 1.8 Counting Methods
a. Four Principles	
i. Addition	
ii. Multiplication	p. 28
iii. Subtraction	
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b. Four Kinds of Counting Problems	
i. Ordered sampling with replacement	p. 31-32
ii. Ordered sampling without replacement (*r*-permutation)	p. 29
1. Factorial and permutation	p. 29

2. Permutations with types and multinomial coefficient	p. 33-34
iii. Unordered sampling of without replacement (r-combinations)	p. 29-31 [Y&G] also defines the formula for *r* that is not between 0 and *n*.
iv. Unordered sampling with replacement	
1. bars and stars argument	
c. Binomial Theorem and Multinomial Theorem	
d. Famous Example: Galileo and the Duke of Tuscany	
e. Application: Success Runs	
5. Probability Foundations	Section 1.3 Probability Axioms Section 1.4 Some Consequences of the Axioms
a. Kolmogorov's Axioms for Probability	p. 12 In [Y&G], the probability measure P( ) is represented by P[ ].
b. Consequences of Axioms	p. 13, 15-16 Note that in [Y&G] with is pointed out that we can write P[AB] or P[A,B] to represent P[A∩B]
c. Connection to classical probability	p. 14
6. Event-based Independence and Conditional Probability	
a. Event-based Conditional Probability	Section 1.5 Conditional Probability p. 16-21
i. Tree diagram	Section 1.7 Sequential Experiments and Tree Diagrams p. 24-28
1. Compact form	
b. Event-based Independence	Section 1.6 Independence p. 21-24
c. Bernoulli Trials	Section 1.9 Independent Trials p. 35-36
7. Random variables	Section 2.1 Definitions p. 50-51
8. Discrete Random Variables	
a. Definition	p. 51
b. PMF: Probability Mass Function	Section 2.2 Probability Mass Function p. 52-54 [Y&G] uses capital P for this function.
c. CDF: Cumulative Distribution Function	Section 2.4 Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) p. 62-65