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Markov Processes for Stochastic Modeling Jul 08 2020 Markov processes are processes that have limited memory. In particular, their dependence on the past is only through the previous state. They are used to model the behavior of many systems including communications systems, transportation networks, image segmentation and analysis, biological systems and DNA sequence analysis, random atomic motion and diffusion in physics, social mobility, population studies, epidemiology, animal and insect migration, queueing systems, resource management, dams, financial engineering, actuarial science, and decision systems. Covering a wide range of areas of application of Markov processes, this second edition is revised to highlight the most important aspects as well as the most recent trends and applications of Markov processes. The author spent over 16 years in the industry before returning to academia, and he has applied many of the principles covered in this book in multiple research projects. Therefore, this is an applications-oriented book that also includes enough theory to provide a solid ground in the subject for the reader. Presents both the theory and applications of the different aspects of Markov processes Includes numerous solved examples as well as detailed diagrams that make it easier to understand the principle being presented Discusses different applications of hidden Markov models, such as DNA sequence analysis and speech analysis.
Formal Methods for Eternal Networked Software Systems Nov 23 2021 This book presents 15 tutorial

lectures by leading researchers given at the 11th edition of the International School on Formal Methods for the Design of Computer, Communication and Software Systems, SFM 2011, held in Bertinoro, Italy, in June 2011. SFM 2011 was devoted to formal methods for eternal networked software systems and covered several topics including formal foundations for the inter-operability of software systems, application-layer and middleware-layer dynamic connector synthesis, interaction behavior monitoring and learning, and quality assurance of connected systems. The school was held in collaboration with the researchers of the EU-funded projects CONNECT and ETERNALS. The papers are organized into six parts: (i) architecture and interoperability, (ii) formal foundations for connectors, (iii) connector synthesis, (iv) learning and monitoring, (v) dependability assurance, and (vi) trustworthy eternal systems via evolving software.

Refined Probabilistic Abstraction Jul 20 2021 Computer networks and embedded systems are ubiquitous and critical parts of our daily life. Therefore performance and reliability guarantees for these systems are crucial. To this end, versatile probabilistic modelling and analysis techniques have been developed. However existing probabilistic analysis methods are inherently limited to small systems. This dissertation introduces a new probabilistic analysis method that scales to large and even infinite systems which are far out of reach of previous methods. The key idea is to approximate a given system by a smaller abstraction which is refined automatically until sufficient precision has been achieved. The thesis discusses the various foundational and practical challenges involved in developing this method, as well as its effectiveness in practice.

Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports Jul 28 2019

Queueing Systems, Volume I Dec 01 2019 Queueing systems. Some important random processes. Elementary queueing theory. Birth-death queueing systems in equilibrium. Markovian queues in equilibrium. Intermediate queueing theory. The queue M/G/I. The Queue G/M/m. The method of collective marks. Advanced material. The queue G/G/I. Appendices. Glossary. A queueing theory primer; Bounds, inequalities and approximations. Priority queueing. Computer time-sharing and multiacces systems. Computer-communication networks: analysis and design. Computer-communication networks: measurement, flow control, and ARPANET traps; Glossary. v. 2 . Computer applications - ISBN - 0-471-49111-X.

Mathematical Models for Bioengineering and Probabilistic Systems Oct 23 2021 Consists of chapters devoted to the analysis of mathematical models for some important bio-engineering systems as well as probabilistic systems. This book aims to formulate mathematical models on a fairly general platform and to perform the analysis in relatively rigorous terms.

High-Dimensional Probability Apr 16 2021 High-dimensional probability offers insight into the behavior of random vectors, random matrices, random subspaces, and objects used to quantify uncertainty in high dimensions. Drawing on ideas from probability, analysis, and geometry, it lends itself to applications in mathematics, statistics, theoretical computer science, signal processing, optimization, and more. It is the first to integrate theory, key tools, and modern applications of high-dimensional probability. Concentration inequalities form the core, and it covers both classical results such as Hoeffding's and Chernoff's inequalities and modern developments such as the matrix Bernstein's inequality. It then introduces the powerful methods based on stochastic processes, including such tools as Slepian's, Sudakov's, and Dudley's inequalities, as well as generic chaining and bounds based on VC dimension. A broad range of illustrations is embedded throughout, including classical and modern results for covariance estimation, clustering, networks, semidefinite programming, coding, dimension reduction, matrix completion, machine learning, compressed sensing, and sparse regression.

Performance Evaluation of Complex Systems: Techniques and Tools Nov 11 2020 This book presents the tutorial lectures given by leading experts in the area at the IFIP WG 7.3 International Symposium on Computer Modeling, Measurement and Evaluation, Performance 2002, held in Rome, Italy in September 2002.The survey papers presented are devoted to theoretical and methodological advances in performance and reliability evaluation as well as new perspectives in the major application fields. Modeling and verification issues, solution methods, workload characterization, and benchmarking are addressed from the methodological point of view. Among the applications dealt with are hardware and software architectures, wired and wireless networks, grid environments, Web services, and real-time voice and video processing.This book is intended to serve as a state-of-the-art survey and reference for students, scientists, and engineers active in the area of performance and reliability evaluation.

Formal Verification of Probabilistic Systems May 30 2022 This dissertation presents methods for the formal modeling and specification of probabilistic systems, and algorithms for the automated verification of these systems. Our system models describe the behavior of a system in terms of probability, nondeterminism, fairness and time.

Probabilistic Cellular Automata Dec 25 2021 This book explores Probabilistic Cellular Automata (PCA) from the perspectives of statistical mechanics, probability theory, computational biology and computer science. PCA are extensions of the well-known Cellular Automata models of complex systems, characterized by random updating rules. Thanks to their probabilistic component, PCA offer flexible computing tools for complex numerical constructions, and realistic simulation tools for phenomena driven by interactions among a large number of neighboring structures. PCA are currently being used in various fields, ranging from pure probability to the social sciences and including a wealth of scientific and technological applications. This situation has produced a highly diversified pool of theoreticians, developers and practitioners whose interaction is highly desirable but can be hampered by differences in jargon and focus. This book – just as the workshop on which it is based – is an attempt to overcome these difference and foster interest among newcomers and interaction between practitioners from different fields. It is not intended as a treatise, but rather as a gentle introduction to the role and relevance of PCA technology, illustrated with a number of applications in probability, statistical mechanics, computer science, the natural sciences and dynamical systems. As such, it will be of interest to students and non-specialists looking to enter the field and to explore its challenges and open issues.

Formal Techniques, Modelling and Analysis of Timed and Fault-Tolerant Systems Sep 09 2020 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the joint International Conferences Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems, FORMATS 2004, and Formal Techniques in Real-Time and Fault-Tolerant Systems, FTRTFT 2004, held in Grenoble, France, in September 2004. The 24 revised full papers presented together with abstracts of 2 invited talks were carefully reviewed and selected from 70 submissions. Among the topics addressed are formal verification, voting systems, formal specification, dependable automation systems, model checking, timed automata, real-time testing, fault-tolerance protocols, fail-safe fault tolerance, real-time scheduling, satisfiability checking, symbolic model checking, stochastic hybrid systems, timed Petri nets, and event recording automata.

Abstraction, Refinement and Proof for Probabilistic Systems Jun 30 2022 Illustrates by example the typical steps necessary in computer science to build a mathematical model of any programming paradigm . Presents results of a large and integrated body of research in the area of 'quantitative' program logics.

Probabilistic Methods Applied to Electric Power Systems May 18 2021 Probabilistic Methods Applied to Electric Power Systems contains the proceedings of the First International Symposium held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on July 11-13, 1986. The papers explore significant technical advances that have been made in the application of probability methods to the design of electric power systems. This volume is comprised of 65 chapters divided into 10 sections and begins by discussing the probabilistic methodologies used in the assessment of power system reliability and structural design. The following chapters focus on the applications of probabilistic techniques to the analysis and design of transmission systems and structures; evaluation of design and reliability of distribution systems; system planning; and assessment of performance of transmission system components such as insulators, tower joints, and foundations. The probability-based procedures for dealing with data bases such as wind load and ice load are also considered, along with the effects of weather-induced loads on overhead power lines and the use of probability methods in upgrading existing power lines and components. The final section deals with applications of probability methods to power system problems not covered in other chapters. This book will be of value to engineers involved in uprating, designing, analyzing, and assessing reliability of transmission and distribution systems.

VMCAI 2004 Apr 04 2020 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 5th International Conference on Verification, Model Checking, and Abstract Interpretation, VMCAI 2004, held in Venice, Italy in January 2004. The 22 revised full papers presented together with 4 invited contributions were carefully reviewed and selected from 68 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on security, formal methods, model checking, software checking, liveness and completeness, and miscellaneous.

Dynamic Probabilistic Systems Oct 03 2022 An integrated work in two volumes, this text teaches readers to formulate, analyze, and evaluate Markov models. The first volume treats the basic process; the second, semi-Markov and decision processes. 1971 edition.

Foundations of Software Science and Computational Structures Mar 28 2022 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Foundations of Software Science and Computation Structures, FOSSACS 2005, held in Edinburgh, UK in April 2005 as part of ETAPS. The 30 revised full papers presented together with 2 invited papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 108 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on rule formats and bisimulation, probabilistic models, algebraic models, games and automata, language analysis, partial order models, logics, coalgebraic modal logics, and computational models.

Probability and Stochastics Jan 14 2021 This text is an introduction to the modern theory and applications of probability and stochastics. The style and coverage is geared towards the theory of stochastic processes, but with some attention to the applications. In many instances the gist of the problem is introduced in practical, everyday language and then is made precise in mathematical form. The first four chapters are on probability theory: measure and integration, probability spaces, conditional expectations, and the classical limit theorems. There follows chapters on martingales, Poisson random measures, Levy Processes, Brownian motion, and Markov Processes. Special attention is paid to Poisson random measures and their roles in regulating the excursions of Brownian motion and the jumps of Levy and Markov processes. Each chapter has a large number of varied examples and exercises. The book is based on the author's lecture notes in courses offered over the years at Princeton University. These courses attracted graduate students from engineering, economics, physics, computer sciences, and mathematics. Erhan Cinlar has received many awards for excellence in teaching, including the President's Award for Distinguished Teaching at Princeton University. His research interests include theories of Markov processes, point processes, stochastic calculus, and stochastic flows. The book is full of insights and observations that only a lifetime researcher in probability can have, all told in a lucid yet precise style.

Exploring New Frontiers of Theoretical Informatics Feb 12 2021 In recent years, IT application scenarios have evolved in very innovative ways. Highly distributed networks have now become a common platform for large-scale distributed programming, high bandwidth communications are inexpensive and widespread, and most of our work tools are equipped with processors enabling us to perform a multitude of tasks. In addition, mobile computing (referring specifically to wireless devices and, more broadly, to dynamically configured systems) has made it possible to exploit interaction in novel ways. To harness the flexibility and power of these rapidly evolving, interactive systems, there is need of radically new foundational ideas and principles; there is need to develop the theoretical foundations required to design these systems and to cope with the many complex issues involved in their construction; and there is need to develop effective principles for building and analyzing such systems. Reflecting the diverse and wide spectrum of topics and interests within the theoretical computer science community, Exploring New Frontiers of Theoretical Informatics, is presented in two distinct but interrelated tracks: -Algorithms, Complexity and Models of Computation, -Logic, Semantics, Specification and Verification. Exploring New Frontiers of Theoretical Informatics contains 46 original and significant contributions addressing these foundational questions, as well as 4 papers by outstanding invited speakers. These papers were presented at the 3rd IFIP International Conference on Theoretical Computer Science (TCS 2004), which was held in conjunction with the 18th World Computer Congress in Toulouse, France in August 2004 and sponsored by the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP).

Systems Science and Cybernetics - Volume III Jun 06 2020 The subject "Systems sciences and cybernetics" is the outcome of the convergence of a number of trends in a larger current of thought devoted to the growing complexity of (primarily social) objects and arising in response to the need for globalized treatment of such objects. This has been magnified by the proliferation and publication of all manner of quantitative scientific data on such objects, advances in the theories on their inter-relations, the enormous computational capacity provided by IT hardware and software and the critical revisiting of subject-object interaction, not to mention the urgent need to control the efficiency of complex systems, where "efficiency" is understood to mean the ability to find a solution to many social problems, including those posed on a planetary scale. The result has been the forging of a new, academically consolidated scientific trend going by the name of Systems Theory and Cybernetics, with a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary focus and therefore apt for understanding realities still regarded to be inescapably chaotic. This subject entry is subdivided into four sections. The first, an introduction to systemic theories, addresses the historic development of the most commonly used systemic approaches, from new concepts such as the so-called "geometry of thinking" or the systemic treatment of "non-systemic identities" to the taxonomic, entropic, axiological and ethical problems deriving from a general "systemic-cybernetic" conceit. Hence, the focus in this section is on the historic and philosophical aspects of the subject. Moreover, it may be asserted today that, beyond a shadow of a doubt, problems, in particular problems deriving from human interaction but in general any problem regardless of its nature, must be posed from a systemic perspective, for otherwise the obstacles to their solution are insurmountable. Reaching such a perspective requires taking at least the following well-known steps: a) statement of the problem from the determinant variables or phenomena; b) adoption of theoretical models showing the interrelationships among such variables; c) use of the maximum amount of – wherever possible quantitative – information available on each; d) placement of the set of variables in an environment that inevitably pre-determines the problem. That epistemology would explain the substantial development of the

systemic-cybernetic approach in recent decades. The articles in the second section deal in particular with the different methodological approaches developed when confronting real problems, from issues that affect humanity as a whole to minor but specific questions arising in human organizations. Certain sub-themes are discussed by the various authors – always from a didactic vantage –, including: problem discovery and diagnosis and development of the respective critical theory; the design of ad hoc strategies and methodologies; the implementation of both qualitative (soft system methodologies) and formal and quantitative (such as the "General System Problem Solver" or the "axiological-operational" perspective) approaches; cross-disciplinary integration; and suitable methods for broaching psychological, cultural and socio-political dynamisms. The third section is devoted to cybernetics in the present dual meaning of the term: on the one hand, control of the effectiveness of communication and actions, and on the other, the processes of self-production of knowledge through reflection and the relationship between the observing subject and the observed object when the latter is also observer and the former observed. Known as "second order cybernetics", this provides an avenue for rethinking the validity of knowledge, such as for instance when viewed through what is known as "bipolar feedback": processes through which interactions create novelty, complexity and diversity. Finally, the fourth section centres around artificial and computational intelligence, addressing sub-themes such as "neural networks", the "simulated annealing" that ranges from statistical thermodynamics to combinatory problem-solving, such as in the explanation of the role of adaptive systems, or when discussing the relationship between biological and computational intelligence.

Computer Aided Verification Dec 13 2020 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 16th International Conference on Computer Aided Verification, CAV 2004, held in Boston, MA, USA, in July 2004. The 32 revised full research papers and 16 tool papers were carefully reviewed and selected from 144 submissions. The papers cover all current issues in computer aided verification and model checking, ranging from foundational and methodological issues to the evaluation of major tools and systems.

Tools and Algorithms for the Construction and Analysis of Systems Oct 30 2019 This volume contains the proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Tools and Algorithms for the Construction and Analysis of Systems (TACAS 2004). TACAS 2004 took place in Barcelona, Spain, from March 29th to April 2nd, as part of the 7th European Joint Conferences on Theory and Practice of Software (ETAPS 2004), whose aims, organization, and history are detailed in a foreword by the ETAPS Steering Committee Chair, Jos´ e Luiz Fiadeiro. TACAS is a forum for researchers, developers, and users interested in ri- rously based tools for the construction and analysis of systems. The conference serves to bridge the gaps between di?erent communities including, but not - mited to, those devoted to formal methods, software and hardware veri?cation, static analysis, programming languages, software engineering, real-time systems, and communication protocols that share common interests in, and techniques for, tool development. In particular, by providing a venue for the discussion of common problems, heuristics, algorithms, data structures, and methodologies, TACAS aims to support researchers in their quest to improve the utility, rel- bility, ?exibility, and e?ciency of tools for building systems. TACASseekstheoreticalpaperswithaclearlinktotoolconstruction,papers describingrelevantalgorithmsandpracticalaspectsoftheirimplementation,- pers giving descriptions of tools and associated methodologies, and case studies with a conceptual message.

Dynamic Probabilistic Systems: Semi-Markov and decision processes Aug 21 2021

Modern Applied Mathematics Aug 28 2019 This comprehensive volume introduces educational units dealing with important topics of modern applied mathematics. Chapters include comprehensive information on different topics such as: Methods of Approximation for Mapping in Probability Spaces, Mathematical Modelling of Seismic Sources, Climate Variability, Geometry of Differential Equations, Modelling of Particle-Driven Gravity Currents, Impulsive Free-Surface Flows, Internal Wave Propagation, Isogroups and Exact Solutions of Higher Order Boltzman Equation, Molecular and Particle Modelling, Asymptotic Behaviour of Solutions of Nonlinear Partial Differential Equations, Mixed Boundary Value Problems, Dual Integral Equations, Dual Series Equations and their Applications, Evolutionary Mechanisms of Organization in Complex Systems, Zero-Sum Differential Games, Bernoulli Convolutions, Probability Distribution Functions, O.D.E. Approach to Stochastic Approximation, Bayesian Inference on the Long Range Dependence.

Computer Aided Verification Jun 26 2019 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 20th International Conference on Computer Aided Verification, CAV 2008, held in Princeton, NJ, USA, in July 2008. The 33 revised full papers presented together with 14 tool papers and 2 invited papers and 4 invited tutorials were carefully reviewed and selected from 104 regular paper and 27 tool paper submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on concurrency, memory consistency, abstraction/refinement, hybrid systems, dynamic verification, modeling and specification formalisms, decision procedures, program verification,

program and shape analysis, security and program analysis, hardware verification, model checking, space efficient algorithms, and model checking.

A Probabilistic Theory of Pattern Recognition Jan 02 2020 A self-contained and coherent account of probabilistic techniques, covering: distance measures, kernel rules, nearest neighbour rules, Vapnik-Chervonenkis theory, parametric classification, and feature extraction. Each chapter concludes with problems and exercises to further the readers understanding. Both research workers and graduate students will benefit from this wide-ranging and up-to-date account of a fast- moving field.

Introduction to Probability Feb 24 2022 This text is designed for an introductory probability course at the university level for undergraduates in mathematics, the physical and social sciences, engineering, and computer science. It presents a thorough treatment of probability ideas and techniques necessary for a firm understanding of the subject.

Formal Methods for Real-Time and Probabilistic Systems Aug 01 2022 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the Fifth International AMAST Workshop on Formal Methods for Real-Time and Probabilistic Systems, ARTS '99, held in Bamberg, Germany in May 1999. The 17 revised full papers presented together with three invited contributions were carefully reviewed and selected from 33 submissions. The papers are organized in topical sections on verification of probabilistic systems, model checking for probabilistic systems, semantics of probabilistic process calculi, semantics of real-time processes, real-time compilation, stochastic process algebra, and modeling and verification of real-time systems.

Dynamic Probabilistic Systems, Volume I Sep 02 2022 An integrated work in two volumes, this text teaches readers to formulate, analyze, and evaluate Markov models. The first volume treats basic process; the second, semi-Markov and decision processes. 1971 edition.

Intelligent Robotic Systems for Space Exploration Mar 16 2021 Over the last twenty years, automation and robotics have played an increasingly important role in a variety of application domains including manufacturing, hazardous environments, defense, and service industries. Space is a unique environment where power, communications, atmospheric, gravitational, and sensing conditions impose harsh constraints on the ability of both man and machines to function productively. In this environment, intelligent automation and robotics are essential complements to the capabilities of humans. In the development of the United States Space Program, robotic manipulation systems have increased in importance as the complexity of space missions has grown. Future missions will require the construction, maintenance, and repair of large structures, such as the space station. This volume presents the effords of several groups that are working on robotic solutions to this problem. Much of the work in this book is related to assembly in space, and especially in-orbit assembly of large truss structures. Many of these so-called truss structures will be assembled in orbit. It is expected that robot manipulators will be used exclusively, or at least provide partial assistance to humans. Intelligent Robotic Systems for Space Exploration provides detailed algorithms and analysis for assembly of truss structure in space. It reports on actual implementations to date done at NASA's Langley Research Center. The Johnson Space Center, and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Other implementations and research done at Rensselaer are also reported. Analysis of robot control problems that are unique to a zero-gravity environment are presented.

Software Safety and Security Feb 01 2020 Recent decades have seen major advances in methods and tools for checking the safety and security of software systems. Automatic tools can now detect security flaws not only in programs of the order of a million lines of code, but also in high-level protocol descriptions. There has also been something of a breakthrough in the area of operating system verification. This book presents the lectures from the NATO Advanced Study Institute on Tools for Analysis and Verification of Software Safety and Security; a summer school held at Bayrischzell, Germany, in 2011. This Advanced Study Institute was divided into three integrated modules: Foundations of Safety and Security, Applications of Safety Analysis and Security Analysis. Subjects covered include mechanized game-based proofs of security protocols, formal security proofs, model checking, using and building an automatic program verifier and a hands-on introduction to interactive proofs. Bringing together many leading international experts in the field, this NATO Advanced Study Institute once more proved invaluable in facilitating the connections which will influence the quality of future research and the potential to transfer research into practice. This book will be of interest to all those whose work depends on the safety and security of software systems.

CONCUR 2000 - Concurrency Theory May 06 2020 This volume contains the proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Concurrency Theory (CONCUR 2000) held in State College, Pennsylvania, USA, during 22-25 August 2000. The purpose of the CONCUR conferences is to bring together researchers, developers, and students in order to advance the theory of concurrency and promote its applications. Interest

in this topic is continuously growing, as a consequence of the importance and ubiquity of concurrent systems and their - plications, and of the scienti?c relevance of their foundations. The scope covers all areas of semantics, logics, and veri?cation techniques for concurrent systems. Topics include concurrency related aspects of: models of computation, semantic domains, process algebras, Petri nets, event structures, real-time systems, hybrid systems, decidability, model-checking, veri?cation techniques, re?nement te- niques, term and graph rewriting, distributed programming, logic constraint p- gramming, object-oriented programming, typing systems and algorithms, case studies, tools, and environments for programming and veri?cation. The ?rst two CONCUR conferences were held in Amsterdam (NL) in 1990 and 1991. The following ones in Stony Brook (USA), Hildesheim (D), Uppsala (S), Philadelphia (USA), Pisa (I), Warsaw (PL), Nice (F), and Eindhoven (NL). The proceedings have appeared in Springer LNCS, as Volumes 458, 527, 630, 715, 836, 962, 1119, 1243, 1466, and 1664.

Multi-Agent Systems Jun 18 2021 Methodological Guidelines for Modeling and Developing MAS-Based Simulations The intersection of agents, modeling, simulation, and application domains has been the subject of active research for over two decades. Although agents and simulation have been used effectively in a variety of application domains, much of the supporting research remains scattered in the literature, too often leaving scientists to develop multi-agent system (MAS) models and simulations from scratch. Multi-Agent Systems: Simulation and Applications provides an overdue review of the wide ranging facets of MAS simulation, including methodological and application-oriented guidelines. This comprehensive resource reviews two decades of research in the intersection of MAS, simulation, and different application domains. It provides scientists and developers with disciplined engineering approaches to modeling and developing MAS-based simulations. After providing an overview of the field’s history and its basic principles, as well as cataloging the various simulation engines for MAS, the book devotes three sections to current and emerging approaches and applications. Simulation for MAS — explains simulation support for agent decision making, the use of simulation for the design of self-organizing systems, the role of software architecture in simulating MAS, and the use of simulation for studying learning and stigmergic interaction. MAS for Simulation — discusses an agent-based framework for symbiotic simulation, the use of country databases and expert systems for agent-based modeling of social systems, crowd-behavior modeling, agent-based modeling and simulation of adult stem cells, and agents for traffic simulation. Tools — presents a number of representative platforms and tools for MAS and simulation, including Jason, James II, SeSAm, and RoboCup Rescue. Complete with over 200 figures and formulas, this reference book provides the necessary overview of experiences with MAS simulation and the tools needed to exploit simulation in MAS for future research in a vast array of applications including home security, computational systems biology, and traffic management.

Energy Abstracts for Policy Analysis Aug 09 2020

Probability on Trees and Networks Sep 29 2019 Starting around the late 1950s, several research communities began relating the geometry of graphs to stochastic processes on these graphs. This book, twenty years in the making, ties together research in the field, encompassing work on percolation, isoperimetric inequalities, eigenvalues, transition probabilities, and random walks. Written by two leading researchers, the text emphasizes intuition, while giving complete proofs and more than 850 exercises. Many recent developments, in which the authors have played a leading role, are discussed, including percolation on trees and Cayley graphs, uniform spanning forests, the mass-transport technique, and connections on random walks on graphs to embedding in Hilbert space. This state-of-the-art account of probability on networks will be indispensable for graduate students and researchers alike.

Foundations of Measurement Oct 11 2020

Verification and Validation in Systems Engineering Jan 26 2022 At the dawn of the 21st century and the information age, communication and c- puting power are becoming ever increasingly available, virtually pervading almost every aspect of modern socio-economical interactions. Consequently, the potential for realizing a signi?cantly greater number of technology-mediated activities has emerged. Indeed, many of our modern activity ?elds are heavily dependant upon various underlying systems and software-intensive platforms. Such technologies are commonly used in everyday activities such as commuting, traf?c control and m- agement, mobile computing, navigation, mobile communication. Thus, the correct function of the forenamed computing systems becomes a major concern. This is all the more important since, in spite of the numerous updates, patches and ?rmware revisions being constantly issued, newly discovered logical bugs in a wide range of modern software platforms (e. g. , operating systems) and software-intensive systems (e. g. , embedded systems) are just as frequently being reported. In addition, many of today’s products and services are presently being deployed in a highly competitive environment wherein a product or service is succeeding

in most of the cases thanks to its quality to price ratio for a given set of features. Accordingly, a number of critical aspects have to be considered, such as the ab- ity to pack as many features as needed in a given product or service while c- currently maintaining high quality, reasonable price, and short time -to- market.

Process Algebra and Probabilistic Methods: Performance Modeling and Verification Apr 28 2022 This volume contains the proceedings of the second joint PAPM-PROBMIV Workshop, held at the University of Copenhagen, Denmark, July 25–26, 2002 as part of the Federated Logic Conference (FLoC 2002). The PAPM-PROBMIV workshop results from the combination of two wo- shops: PAPM (Process Algebras and Performance Modeling) and PROBMIV (Probabilistic Methods in Veri?cation). The aim of the joint workshop is to bring together the researchers working across the whole spectrum of techniques for the modeling, speci?cation, analysis, and veri?cation of probabilistic systems. Probability is widely used in the design and analysis of software and hardware systems, as a means to derive e?cient algorithms (e.g. randomization), as a model for unreliable or unpredictable behavior (as in the study of fault-tolerant systems and computer networks), and as a tool to study performance and - pendability properties. The topics of the workshop include speci?cation, m- els, and semantics of probabilistic systems, analysis and veri?cation techniques, probabilistic methods for the veri?cation of non-probabilistic systems, and tools and case studies. The ?rst PAPM workshop was held in Edinburgh in 1993; the following ones were held in Regensberg (1994), Edinburgh (1995), Turin (1996), Enschede (1997), Nice (1998), Zaragoza (1999), and Geneva (2000). The ?rst PROBMIV workshop was held in Indianapolis, Indiana (1998); the next one took place in Eindhoven (1999). In 2000, PROBMIV was replaced by a Dagstuhl seminar on Probabilistic Methods in Veri?cation.

Dynamic Probabilistic Systems Nov 04 2022 An integrated work in two volumes, this text teaches readers to formulate, analyze, and evaluate Markov models. The first volume treats basic process; the second, semi-Markov and decision processes. 1971 edition.

Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems Sep 21 2021 This book constitutes the thoroughly refereed post-proceedings of the First International Workshop on Formal Modeling and Analysis of Timed Systems, FORMATS 2003, held in Marseille, France in September 2003. The 19 revised full papers presented together with an invited paper and the abstracts of two invited talks were carefully selected from 36 submissions during two rounds of reviewing and improvement. All current aspects of formal method for modeling and analyzing timed systems are addressed; among the timed systems dealt with are timed automata, timed Petri nets, max-plus algebras, real-time systems, discrete time systems, timed languages, and real-time operating systems.

Probabilistic Methods in Geotechnical Engineering Mar 04 2020 The proceedings of this conference contain keynote addresses on recent developments in geotechnical reliability and limit state design in geotechnics. It also contains invited lectures on such topics as modelling of soil variability, simulation of random fields and probability of rock joints. Contents: Keynote addresses on recent development on geotechnical reliability and limit state design in geotechnics, and invited lectures on modelling of soil variability, simulation of random field, probabilistic of rock joints, and probabilistic design of foundations and slopes. Other papers on analytical techniques in geotechnical reliability, modelling of soil properties, and probabilistic analysis of slopes, embankments and foundations.