

Subject CT4

Corrections to 2016 study material

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Important note

This document was last updated on 17 December 2015.

Course Notes

Chapter 2, Page 22

In the first sentence of Section 3.4, the reference to ST3 should be a reference to ST8.

Chapter 3, Page 16

The matrix underneath the diagram for the time-inhomogeneous Markov chain should be:

$$P[t] = \begin{bmatrix} P_{00}[t] & P_{01}[t] & 0 \\ P_{10}[t] & 0 & P_{12}[t] \\ 0 & P_{21}[t] & P_{22}[t] \end{bmatrix}$$

to be consistent with the diagram shown.

Chapter 7, Page 24 (added on 17 December 2015)

The formula immediately preceding Question 7.12 should be:

$${}_tq_x = 1 - {}_tp_x = 1 - \exp(-\mu t)$$

Chapter 10, Page 18

In the fourth paragraph, the estimator of q_x obtained from the two-state model should be $\tilde{q}_x = 1 - \exp(-\tilde{\mu})$, not $\tilde{q}_x = 1 - \exp(\tilde{\mu})$.