



# 2010 Kemeny Undergraduate Lecture

## The Search for Randomness

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**ABSTRACT:** I will take a careful look at some of our most primitive images of random phenomena; tossing a coin, shuffling cards and throwing a dart at the wall. Analysis and practical experiments show that, while approximate randomness is possible, usually we are lazy and things are quite far from random. This reflects on the use (and misuse) of "statistical models" and the basic philosophy of randomness.



**Everybody Welcome!**

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