

Department of Statistics 2018-10-04/PGA

Course description

Statistical Inference

7.5 Higher Education Credits (ECTS Credits), advanced level Course code: ST745A Fall 2018

Contents

The course consists of one unit:

1. Statistical Inference. 7.5 ECTS credits

The course introduces basic statistical principles, e.g. the principles of sufficiency, ancilliarity, invariance, and conditionality. Bayesian, likelihood-based and Neyman-Pearson inference are applied and exemplified through point-estimation, interval estimation, and hypothesis testing. Asymptotic properties of some important statistics will also be investigated.

Course literature

- Casella G. & Berger R. L. Statistical Inference, Second Edition, Duxbury Press (Thomson Learning Academic Resource Center)
- Additional material may be distributed during the course

Learning Goals

After completing the course the student should be able to

- derive important point estimators, interval estimators, and test statistics in some selected applications
- demonstrate understanding of important theorems in inference theory
- demonstrate understanding of convergence-properties of estimators

Teaching

Teaching consists of lectures (L1-L12), exercises (Ex1-Ex8) and one computer exercises (C1) according to the course schedule. NOTE! The first lecture (Lecture-1) is **mandatory**.

Course Schedule

See the webpage of the course.

Examination

The examination consists of

• A written examination

Grading Criteria

The written examination is graded as A, B, C, D, E, Fx and F. The passing grades are A, B, C, D and E, where A is the highest and E is the lowest. Failing grades are F and Fx, where F is lower than Fx. When obtaining a failing grade F or Fx in the written examination, we will not give extra exercises or extra assignments to obtaining a passing grade.

Grading criteria for the written examination

The maximum total credit is thus 100 points for each examination. Grades are given on a seven-point rating scale:

- A 90-100 points
- B 80-89 points
- C 70-79 points
- D 60-69 points
- E 50-59 points
- Fx 40-49 points
- F 00-39 points

To pass the course a minimum grade of E is required.

For more information about examination, see the course plan.

Teachers and Communication

Course coordinator, examiner and lecturer

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Not yet decided