STAT6102

Graphics, Multivariate Methods and Data Mining

Session 2, Fully online/virtual 2021

Archive (Pre-2022) - Department of Mathematics and Statistics

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Session 2 Learning and Teaching Update

The decision has been made to conduct study online for the remainder of Session 2 for all units WITHOUT mandatory on-campus learning activities. Exams for Session 2 will also be online where possible to do so.

This is due to the extension of the lockdown orders and to provide certainty around arrangements for the remainder of Session 2. We hope to return to campus beyond Session 2 as soon as it is safe and appropriate to do so.

Some classes/teaching activities cannot be moved online and must be taught on campus. You should already know if you are in one of these classes/teaching activities and your unit convenor will provide you with more information via iLearn. If you want to confirm, see the list of units with mandatory on-campus classes/teaching activities.

Visit the MQ COVID-19 information page for more detail.

General Information

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Credit points
10

Prerequisites
STAT6170 or STAT670

Corequisites
STAT6180 or STAT680

Co-badged status

Unit description
*This unit has an online offering for S2 which is **synchronous**, meaning there will be set times to attend online lectures and tutorials.*

This unit introduces statistical tools for multivariate data analysis such as statistical graphics, discriminant analysis, principal component analysis, cluster analysis and an introduction to data mining, especially classification. Statistical packages are used extensively to illustrate the concepts.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

ULO1: Interpret and apply principles underlying statistical data visualisation, multivariate methods and data mining to problems arising from diverse fields of research.

ULO2: Choose appropriate graphical techniques for displaying data.

ULO3: Choose the appropriate statistical analysis, for a given data set, from a wide range ofmethods based on multivariate methods and data mining.

ULO4: Use a statistical computer package to carry out chosen analyses and interpret the results;present the results of analyses in a form which is suitable for technical report or publication.

General Assessment Information

WORK SUBMISSION: The submission link will be available on the iLearn site of the Unit.

LATE SUBMISSION OF WORK: All assessment tasks must be submitted by the official due date and time. In the case of late submission for a non-timed assessment (e.g. SGTA work), if special consideration has NOT been granted, 20% of the earned mark will be deducted for each 24-hour period (or part thereof) that the submission is late for the first 2 days (including weekends and/or public holidays). For example, if an assignment is submitted 25 hours late, its mark will attract a penalty equal to 40% of the earned mark. After 2 days (including weekends and public holidays) a mark of 0% will be awarded. Timed assessment tasks (e.g. tests) do not fall under these rules.

Assessment Tasks

Name	Weighting	Hurdle	Due
SGTA Works	10%	No	Weeks 3, 5, 7 and 10
Mid-Semester test	30%	No	Week 8
Practical Test	60%	No	Week 12

SGTA Works

Assessment Type [1]: Qualitative analysis task
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 40 hours
Due: **Weeks 3, 5, 7 and 10**
Weighting: **10%**

The tasks given during four SGTA computer lab sessions are to be completed within the allocated time and submitted via iLearn. The four SGTA Works are worth 10% in total.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Choose appropriate graphical techniques for displaying data.
- Choose the appropriate statistical analysis, for a given data set, from a wide range ofmethods based on multivariate methods and data mining.
- Use a statistical computer package to carry out chosen analyses and interpret the results;present the results of analyses in a form which is suitable for technical report or publication.

Mid-Semester test

Assessment Type [1]: Quiz/Test
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 1 hours
Due: **Week 8**
Weighting: **30%**

Further information for this online test will be provided in the iLearn site of the unit.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Interpret and apply principles underlying statistical data visualisation, multivariate methods and data mining to problems arising from diverse fields of research.
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Practical Test

Assessment Type [1]: Quiz/Test
Indicative Time on Task [2]: 2 hours
Due: **Week 12**
Weighting: **60%**

This is an open book style online exam. The practical test is designed to examine the use of software for data analysis and the software output interpretation skills taught in the unit.

On successful completion you will be able to:

- Interpret and apply principles underlying statistical data visualisation, multivariate methods and data mining to problems arising from diverse fields of research.
- Choose appropriate graphical techniques for displaying data.
- Choose the appropriate statistical analysis, for a given data set, from a wide range ofmethods based on multivariate methods and data mining.
- Use a statistical computer package to carry out chosen analyses and interpret the results;present the results of analyses in a form which is suitable for technical report or publication.

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[1] If you need help with your assignment, please contact:

- the academic teaching staff in your unit for guidance in understanding or completing this type of assessment
- the Writing Centre for academic skills support.

[2] Indicative time-on-task is an estimate of the time required for completion of the assessment task and is subject to individual variation

Delivery and Resources

Software: SPSS and R

The recommended references are

Chambers J M et al (1983) Graphical Methods for Data Analysis;

Cleveland W S (1994) Elements of Graphing Data;

Tufte E R (2001) The Visual Display of Quantitative Information;

Everitt B S et al (2001) Applied multivariate data analysis;

Johnson, R.A. & Wichern, D.W. (2002) Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis;

Manly, B F J (2004) Multivariate Statistical Methods - A Primer.

Unit Schedule

Week	Topic	Due
	Introduction	

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	Different graphical displays	
	Displaying multivariate data	SGTA Work
	Similarities and distances	
	Hierarchical cluster analysis	SGTA Work
	K-means clustering	
	Eigenvalues and eigenvectors	SGTA Work
	Principal component analysis	Mid-Semester Test
	Principal component analysis cont.	
	Discriminant analysis	SGTA Work
	Classification Trees Revision	
	Final assessment:	Practical Test

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- Academic Appeals Policy
- Academic Integrity Policy
- Academic Progression Policy
- Assessment Policy
- Fitness to Practice Procedure
- Grade Appeal Policy
- Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public
- Special Consideration Policy

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- Getting help with your assignment
- Workshops
- StudyWise
- Academic Integrity Module

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- Subject and Research Guides
- Ask a Librarian

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