Statistics 6302: Theory of Statistical Analysis - Spring 2016 Course Outline

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Lectures: 11:30 am - 12:25 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays in McPherson Lab 1041.

Office Hours: Monday, 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm (individual appointments may be possible in certain situations, when office hours conflict with other commitments and course work, but should be requested via email and will not be available on short notice).

Email: chkrebtii.1@osu.edu, begin subject with "Stat 6302". Please keep in mind that due to the large volume of emails, I may not be able to answer promptly. Please consider whether your question would be best answered in person during office hours.

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Course Description: Estimation, hypothesis testing, best tests, likelihood ratio tests, confidence sets, sufficiency, efficient estimators; intended primarily for students in the MAS degree program. The topics list is as follows:

- 1. Method of moments estimators and their properties
- 2. Maximum likelihood estimators and their properties
- 3. Efficient estimators; Cramer-Rao Lower Bound
- 4. Sufficient statistics; exponential families
- 5. Confidence sets, including approximate and bootstrap confidence intervals
- 6. Principles of hypothesis testing; duality of confidence intervals and tests
- 7. Most Powerful and Uniformly Most Powerful Tests
- 8. Generalized Likelihood Ratio Tests; examples in applied statistics
- 9. Theory of statistical inferences for comparing two samples
- 10. Additional discretionary topics, such as theory for contingency tables

Prerequisites: Stat 6301 or Stat 610 or Stat 6801 or Stat 620 or permission of the instructor.

Exclusions: Not open to students with credit for Stat 6802 or Stat 621 or Stat 622 or Stat 623.

Course Website: carmen.osu.edu (login with your web ID). Important announcements, course materials, homework problems and solutions, computing references, and other information about the class are posted on the course website.

Textbook: John A. Rice. *Mathematical Statistics and Data Analysis* (Third Edition). Duxbury, 2007.

Course Materials: Partial notes will be posted on Carmen on the day before each class. These consist of a notes containing blank spaces, which I will fill in during the lecture. I will not share the marked-up slides, so please make arrangements with your classmates to obtain any missed class material.

Homework and Project Assignments: You may discuss the problems with each other in general terms, but you must write your own homework solutions. Late submissions will absolutely <u>not</u> be accepted. Starting and trying to get help early will be helpful. Academic misconduct of any sort will not be tolerated. Please review OSU's policies at http://studentaffairs.osu.edu/csc/.

Test and Assignment Policy: Absolutely <u>no</u> late assignment submissions will be accepted. Electronic assignment submissions will <u>not</u> be accepted. Missed tests or exams require formal documentation specifically stating that the test/exam was missed for this reason.

Special Considerations: If a situation exists or arises that you think may hinder your progress in this class, you must notify me as soon as possible.

Advising: For questions related to prerequisites and course suggestions, please contact the Statistics Department's Graduate Studies Associate, Scott Bryant (bryant.1301@stat.osu.edu).

Academic Misconduct: It is the responsibility of the Committee on Academic Misconduct to investigate or establish procedures for the investigation of all reported cases of student academic misconduct. The term "academic misconduct includes all forms of student academic misconduct wherever committed; illustrated by, but not limited to, cases of plagiarism and dishonest practices in connection with examinations. Instructors shall report all instances of alleged academic misconduct to the committee (Faculty Rule 3335-5-487). For additional information, see the Code of Student Conduct http://studentlife.osu.edu/csc/.

Disability Services: Students with disabilities that have been certified by the Office for Disability Services will be appropriately accommodated and should inform the instructor as soon as possible of their needs. The Office for Disability Services is located in 150 Pomerene Hall, 1760 Neil Avenue; telephone 292-3307, TDD 292-0901; http://www.ods.ohio-state.edu/.

Grading:

Assignments 20 %; First Test 20 %, in class on Monday, February 22, 2015; Second Test 20 %, in class on Monday, April 4, 2016. Final Exam (cumulative) 40 %, see OSU official exam schedule.

Re-grading of assignments or tests: Should there be any concerns with the grading, students must follow the procedure below. Any grade disputes should be clearly stated in a note submitted to me in writing along the assignment/test/project within at most two weeks of the date on which the grade was returned. Errors such as ungraded sections or problems with addition will be resolved, but any submission that requires interpretation or explanation will undergo a full re-grading. That is, there is the possibility that your grade may increase or decrease as a result.

As always, there are no exceptions, no arbitrary grade adjustments for individual students, nor grade guarantees of any kind, for any reason. However, if you fundamentally disagree with your final grade, you have recourse to a formal dispute through the university. The information is available here: http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/i.-overview-grievance.html.