

Course outcome / Learning Objectives: A conceptual and practical introduction to the basic concepts and techniques of regression analysis:

1. Learn how to apply linear regression models in practice: identify situation where linear regression is appropriate; build and fit linear regression models with software; interpret estimates and diagnostic statistics; produce exploratory graphs.
2. Learn about the theory underlying point estimation, hypothesis and confidence intervals for linear regression models.

Simple linear regression: Examples of simple linear regression; Interpretation of parameters; Estimation of the slope and the intercept in simple linear regression; Sampling properties of estimates. Theory of point estimation: least squares, maximum likelihood, method of moments; Confidence Intervals for parameters in simple linear regression.

Multiple linear regression: Design matrix; Interpretation and estimation of parameters; Multicollinearity; Hypothesis tests: t-test, F-test, Likelihood-ratio test; Weighted least-squares.

Residuals and their analysis: Assessing goodness-of-fit, normality, homogeneity of variances, detection of outliers and influential observations; Diagnostic plots for linear regression models.

Model selection: Mallows' C_p , AIC, BIC, R-squared, subset selection of independent variables, transformation of dependent and independent variables, multicollinearity, principal component regression, ridge-regression, Lasso.

Logistic Regression: Statistical models for binary data; Interpretation of odds and odds ratios; Maximum likelihood estimation in logistic regression; Deviance, Residual analysis for logistic regression.

TEXT BOOKS / REFERENCES:

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3. N. Draper and H. Smith, "Applied Regression Analysis", Third Edition, Wiley, 1998.
4. J. Fox, "Applied Regression Analysis, Linear Models and Related Methods", Sage, 1997.
5. C. Rao and H. Toutenburg, "Linear Models: Least Squares and Alternatives", Second Edition, Springer, 1999.