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Introduction to statistics

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Department assigned to the subject: Statistics Department

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Type: Basic Core ECTS Credits: 6.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

Branch of knowledge: Social Sciences and Law

OBJECTIVES

SPECIFIC COMPETENCES: To acquire knowledge and understanding to

- 1. Analyze univariate and bivariate data
- 2. Analyze and interpretate relationships among two variables.
- 3. Knowledge and interpretation of the simple regression model.
- 4. Knowledge and interpretation of the multiple regression model.
- 5. Be able to solve problems using a statistical software.

TRANSVERSAL COMPETENCES:

- 1. Capacity for analysis and synthesis.
- 2. Knowledge of the use of statistical software.
- 3. Resolution of problems.
- 4. Teamwork.
- 5. Critical reasoning.
- 6. Oral and written communication.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

- Introduction to exploratory analysis.
- 1.1. Importance on tourism.
- 1.2. Statistical terms: populations, subpopulations, individuals and samples.
- 1.3. Types of variables and search for sources of official tourism data.
- 2. Analysis of univariate data.
- 2.1. Representations and graphics of qualitative variables.
- 2.2. Representations and graphics of quantitative variables.
- 2.3. Time series graphics.
- 2.4. Dependence among qualitative data.
- 2.5. Parameter comparison for different populations.
- 2.6. Dependence among quantitative data.
- 3. Simple Linear Regression Model.
- 3.1. Model hypotheses.
- 3.2. Transformations.
- 3.3. Estimation and confidence intervals for the coefficients.
- 3.4. Individual significance and t-test.
- 3.5. R-square.
- 3.6. Prediction.
- 3.7. Diagnostics.
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- 4.1. Model hypotheses.
- 4.2. Transformations.
- 4.3. Estimation and confidence intervals for the coefficients.
- 4.4. Individual significance and t-test.
- 4.5. Adjusted R-square.
- 4.6. Prediction.
- 4.7. Diagnostics.

- 5. Time series and index numbers.
- 5.1. Time series plot.
- 5.2. Components.
- 5.3. Index number. definition.
- 5.4. Simple and complex index numbers.

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

14 Theoretical support materials available on the Web, and 14 sessions based on problem-solving sessions and practical computing. No group tutorials except during the last week.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

60% of the final grade will be achieved by a final examination for assessing the knowledge acquired. A minimum of 4 points (out of 10) is required in the final exam. The remaining 40% is obtained by two midterm exams (15%+15%) and the compulsory tasks assigned in the computational labs (10%). Theoretical questions as well as queries on computational laboratories can be asked in the exams.

% end-of-term-examination: 60 % of continuous assessment (assignments, laboratory, practicals...): 40

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Newbold, P. Statistics for business and economics, Prentice-Hall.