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Data Analysis

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Department assigned to the subject: Computer Science and Engineering Department

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Type: Electives ECTS Credits: 3.0

Year: 1 Semester: 2

REQUIREMENTS (SUBJECTS THAT ARE ASSUMED TO BE KNOWN)

We recommend to have passed the subject of Introduction to Financial Markets

OBJECTIVES

The skills acquired by the student will be:

- Ability to apply the correct knowledge to solve problems in new environments related to their field of study
- Ability to communicate their conclusiones to specialized and non-specialized public without ambiguity
- Learning skills that enable them to continue studying autonomously.
- Ability to understand and apply methods and techniques in the field of Computer Engineering in financial markets
- Ability to conceive, design or create, implement and adopt a substantial process of development or creating software for financial markets
- Ability to work in multi-disciplinary environments and in large heterogeneous development teams
- Ability to implement algorithms and classical techniques of financial markets following the standards and established procedurest
- Knowledge of the main tools for managing large amounts of data for storage, access and review

As learning outcomes will be:

- Identify and correct errors or omissions in historical financial data
- Construct and interpret graphs showing the relationships between different variables
- Build predictive models from historical financial data
- Assess predictive models in the context of time series
- Analyze the impact of financial events.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME

DATA ANALYSIS

- 1. Introduction to the Analysis of Financial Data
- 2. Exploratory analysis and visualization tools
- 3. Financial data cleaning and transformation
- 4. Supervised predictive models
- 5. Model evaluation and backtesting in finance
- 6. Unsupervised models and other learning paradigms

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY

The course follows the Master idea complementing on-site classes with e-learning activities.

These activities are summarized as follows:

- Lectures: Theoretical presentations accompanied by digital presentations
- Theoretical and practical classes: Combination of lectures accompanied by the resolution of practical exercises
- Laboratory practices: Guided practices in computer rooms
- Tutorials: Personalized on-site or remote tutorials
- E-learning activities: Remote activities that the student develops independently. These activities include: Participation in forums, viewing pre-recorded contents, and guided exercises
- Individual work of students: Individual student activities that complement the other activities (both classroom and non-classroom) and exam preparation

Teaching methodology

- Teachers give lectures with support of digital presentations, in which they develop the subject.
- Practical cases that are solved with a guided provided by the teacher.
- Individual or group preparation of practices and reports
- Specific e-learning activities including visualization pre-recorded content, self-review activities, participation in forums, etc.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

The evaluation of the subject will be done by continuous assessment during the term and with a final exam. Continuous assessment will consist of small guided practices and a final project. The final exam is theoretical and practical. It has a minimum score of 4 points.

The weighting of the evaluation is:

- Guided Practices: 20%
- Final Practical Project: 40%.
- Final exam: 60%. It may Include an individual face-to-face evaluation (20%)

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

BASIC BIBLIOGRAPHY

- Luis Torgo Data Mining with R: Learning with Case Studies, Second Edition, CRC Press, 2017