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## LEARNING GUIDE

### SUBJECT

**93000939 - Statistical Modelling**

### DEGREE PROGRAMME

09AT - Master Universitario En Teoria De La Señal Y Comunicaciones

### ACADEMIC YEAR & SEMESTER

2024/25 - Semester 1

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## 1. Description

### 1.1. Subject details

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|--------------------------------|--|
| Name of the subject            | 93000939 - Statistical Modelling                                   |
| No of credits                  | 3 ECTS   |
| Type                           | Optional   |
| Academic year of the programme | First year   |
| Semester of tuition            | Semester 1   |
| Tuition period                 | September-January  |
| Tuition languages              | English  |
| Degree programme               | 09AT - Master Universitario en Teoria de la Señal y Comunicaciones |
| Centre                         | 09 - Escuela Tecnica Superior De Ingenieros De Telecomunicacion    |
| Academic year                  | 2024-25  |

## 2. Faculty

### 2.1. Faculty members with subject teaching role

| Name and surname                                     | Office/Room | Email                | Tutoring hours *   |
|--|-------------|----------------------|--|
| Pedro Jose Zufiria Zatarain<br>(Subject coordinator) | A-306       | pedro.zufiria@upm.es | Tu - 12:00 - 13:00<br>Additional tutoring hours to be agreed between professor and students. |

\* The tutoring schedule is indicative and subject to possible changes. Please check tutoring times with the faculty member in charge.

### 3. Prior knowledge recommended to take the subject

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#### 3.1. Recommended (passed) subjects

The subject - recommended (passed), are not defined.

#### 3.2. Other recommended learning outcomes

- The student should have a fundamental undergraduate level knowledge of: 1) linear algebra, 2) mathematical analysis and 3) probability theory.

### 4. Skills and learning outcomes \*

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#### 4.1. Skills to be learned

CB06 - Poseer y comprender conocimientos que aporten una base u oportunidad de ser originales en el desarrollo y/o aplicación de ideas, a menudo en un contexto de investigación

CB07 - Que los estudiantes sepan aplicar los conocimientos adquiridos y su capacidad de resolución de problemas en entornos nuevos o poco conocidos dentro de contextos más amplios (o multidisciplinares) relacionados con su área de estudio

CB10 - Que los estudiantes posean las habilidades de aprendizaje que les permitan continuar estudiando de un modo que habrá de ser en gran medida autodirigido o autónomo

CT01 - Capacidad para comprender los contenidos de clases magistrales, conferencias y seminarios en lengua inglesa

CT04 - Capacidad para trabajar de forma efectiva como individuo, organizando y planificando su propio trabajo, de forma independiente o como miembro de un equipo

CT05 - Capacidad para gestionar la información, identificando las fuentes necesarias, los principales tipos de documentos técnicos y científicos, de una manera adecuada y eficiente

CT06 - Capacidad para emitir juicios sobre implicaciones económicas, administrativas, sociales, éticas y medioambientales ligadas a la aplicación de sus conocimientos

## 4.2. Learning outcomes

RA13 - Capability to construct parameter estimators, hypothesis tests and linear regression models.

RA14 - Capability to model real phenomena using probability theory.

RA15 - Capability to relate the foundations of statistical inference with standard machine learning schemes.

RA12 - Capability to construct probabilistic models from experimental data using inference tools.

\* The Learning Guides should reflect the Skills and Learning Outcomes in the same way as indicated in the Degree Verification Memory. For this reason, they have not been translated into English and appear in Spanish.

## 5. Brief description of the subject and syllabus

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### 5.1. Brief description of the subject

The course covers the fundamental aspects of frequentist statistical inference (parameter estimation, hypothesis tests, linear regression), and their application to solve engineering problems.

In addition, the Montecarlo and Bootstrap techniques, together with some fundamental aspects of Bayesian inference are also addressed.

Finally, some relationships among fundamentals of statistical inference, principal elements of causal inference and some basic machine learning paradigms are also outlined.

## 5.2. Syllabus

1. Introduction.
  - 1.1. Engineering and statistical modelling.
  - 1.2. Course general overview.
2. Brief review of probability theory.
  - 2.1. Probability spaces. Conditional probability. Bayes theorem.
  - 2.2. Discrete and continuous random variables.
  - 2.3. Joint probability distributions.
3. Descriptive Statistics.
  - 3.1. Random sampling. Sample mean, median, range and variance.
  - 3.2. Histograms, blox-plots and time-series graphical representations.
4. Sample distribution and parameter point estimation.
  - 4.1. Point estimation.
  - 4.2. Sample distribution and Central Limit Theorem.
  - 4.3. Unbiased estimators. Variance and mean square error of a point estimator.
  - 4.4. Frequentist methods of point estimation: method of moments and method of maximum likelihood.
  - 4.5. Bayesian reasoning. Bayesian point estimation.
5. Statistical intervals.
  - 5.1. Confidence intervals for the mean and variance of a normal distribution.
  - 5.2. Confidence intervals for the proportion of a population.
  - 5.3. Tolerance and prediction intervals.
  - 5.4. Montecarlo and Bootstrap techniques.
6. Hypothesis tests for a single sample.
  - 6.1. Definition of hypothesis tests.
  - 6.2. Tests for mean and variance of a normal distribution.
  - 6.3. Tests for a population proportion.
  - 6.4. Bayesian tests.
7. Linear regression and correlation.

- 7.1. Linear simple regression.
  - 7.2. Correlation.
  - 7.3. Linear multiple regression.
  - 7.4. Bayesian linear regression.
8. Towards machine learning: fundamental problems and tools.

## 6. Schedule

### 6.1. Subject schedule\*

| Week | Type 1 activities   | Type 2 activities | Distant / On-line | Assessment activities |
|------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1    | <b>Sections 1.1, 1.2 and 2.1 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class  |                   |                   |                       |
| 2    | <b>Sections 2.2 and 2.3 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Problem-solving class       |                   |                   |                       |
| 3    | <b>Section 3.1 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class                 |                   |                   |                       |
| 4    | <b>Section 3.2 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class                |                   |                   |                       |
| 5    | <b>Sections 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3 of syllabus..</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class |                   |                   |                       |
| 6    | <b>Section 4.4 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class                |                   |                   |                       |

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| 7  | <b>Section 5.1 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class                 |  |   |
| 8  | <b>Sections 5.2 and 5.3 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Section 5.4 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Lecture        |  | <b>Online evaluation exam 1.</b><br>Online test<br>Progressive assessment<br>Not Presential<br>Duration: 01:00<br><br><b>Homework 1.</b><br>Group work<br>Progressive assessment<br>Not Presential<br>Duration: 06:00 |
| 9  | <b>Sections 6.1 and 6.2 (part) of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class |  |   |
| 10 | <b>Sections 6.2 and 6.3 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class        |  |   |
| 11 | <b>Section 6.4 of syllabus..</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class                |  |   |
| 12 | <b>Section 7.1 and 7.2 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:30<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Exercises.</b><br>Duration: 00:30<br>Problem-solving class         |  |   |
| 13 | <b>Sections 7.3 and 7.4 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Lecture<br><br><b>Section 8 of syllabus.</b><br>Duration: 01:00<br>Lecture          |  |   |
| 14 | <b>Evaluation</b><br>Duration: 02:00<br>Additional activities  |  | <b>Presential evaluation exam.</b><br>Written test<br>Progressive assessment<br>Presential<br>Duration: 02:00<br><br><b>Online evaluation exam 2.</b><br>Online test  |

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|    |  |  | Progressive assessment<br>Not Presential<br>Duration: 01:00  |
| 15 |  |  | <b>Homework 2.</b><br>Group work<br>Progressive assessment<br>Not Presential<br>Duration: 07:00<br><br><b>Final project.</b><br>Individual work<br>Progressive assessment<br>Not Presential<br>Duration: 15:00 |
| 16 |  |  |  |
| 17 |  |  | <b>Global evaluation.</b><br>Other assessment<br>Global examination<br>Presential<br>Duration: 04:00   |

Depending on the programme study plan, total values will be calculated according to the ECTS credit unit as 26/27 hours of student face-to-face contact and independent study time.

\* The schedule is based on an a priori planning of the subject; it might be modified during the academic year, especially considering the COVID19 evolution.

## 7. Activities and assessment criteria

### 7.1. Assessment activities

#### 7.1.1. Assessment

| Week | Description                 | Modality        | Type          | Duration | Weight | Minimum grade | Evaluated skills                                     |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------|--------|---------------|--|
| 8    | Online evaluation exam 1.   | Online test     | No Presential | 01:00    | 10%    | 0 / 10        | CB07<br>CT01   |
| 8    | Homework 1.                 | Group work      | No Presential | 06:00    | 15%    | 0 / 10        | CB07<br>CT01<br>CT04<br>CT05                         |
| 14   | Presential evaluation exam. | Written test    | Face-to-face  | 02:00    | 20%    | 0 / 10        | CB06<br>CB07<br>CT01                                 |
| 14   | Online evaluation exam 2.   | Online test     | No Presential | 01:00    | 10%    | 0 / 10        | CB07<br>CT01   |
| 15   | Homework 2.                 | Group work      | No Presential | 07:00    | 15%    | 0 / 10        | CB07<br>CB10<br>CT04<br>CT05                         |
| 15   | Final project.              | Individual work | No Presential | 15:00    | 30%    | 0 / 10        | CB06<br>CB07<br>CB10<br>CT01<br>CT04<br>CT05<br>CT06 |

#### 7.1.2. Global examination

| Week | Description        | Modality         | Type         | Duration | Weight | Minimum grade | Evaluated skills                                     |
|------|--------------------|------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------------|--|
| 17   | Global evaluation. | Other assessment | Face-to-face | 04:00    | 100%   | 5 / 10        | CB06<br>CB07<br>CB10<br>CT01<br>CT04<br>CT05<br>CT06 |

### 7.1.3. Referred (re-sit) examination

| Description               | Modality         | Type         | Duration | Weight | Minimum grade | Evaluated skills                                     |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------|----------|--------|---------------|--|
| Extraordinary evaluation. | Other assessment | Face-to-face | 04:00    | 100%   | 5 / 10        | CB06<br>CB07<br>CB10<br>CT01<br>CT04<br>CT05<br>CT06 |

## 7.2. Assessment criteria

By default, students will be progressively evaluated along the course. Nevertheless, the students can also be evaluated via a global examination procedure which includes the possibility of making up the evaluation exams, homeworks and project.

The course extraordinary evaluation will also include the possibility of making up the evaluation exams, homeworks and project.

Regular progressive evaluation will be performed as follows:

- Homeworks and proposed classroom exercises (30%). Besides the proposed exercises in class, the professor will propose 2 homeworks to be solved by the students and submitted at the established dates. Such exercises and homeworks will have to be solved using the theoretical foundations and the software tools presented in the course.
- 2 online exams each having a weight of 10% of the final grade. The first exam will cover from Section 1 to Section 5. The second part will cover from Section 5 to Section 8.
- 1 presentational exam having a weight of 20% of the final grade, covering all course Sections.
- Final Project (30% of final grade).

Any work submitted by the student may require an oral complementary evaluation by the professor in order to

guarantee that such work has been done by the student without the aid of an AI system.

## 8. Teaching resources

### 8.1. Teaching resources for the subject

| Name   | Type         | Notes   |
|--|--------------|---|
| Douglas C. Montgomery and George C. Runger. Applied Statistics and Probability for Engineers. Fifth Edition. Wiley & Sons.         | Bibliography | Fundamental.  |
| Mariano García Otero. Probability and Random Variables. (Notes)  | Bibliography | Fundamental.  |
| R programming language tutorial.   | Web resource | Fundamental.  |
| Moodle.  | Web resource | Links to homeworks, documents and videos related to the course. |
| Python programming language tutorial.  | Web resource | Complementary.  |
| J. Grus. Data Science from Scratch. First principles with Python. O'Reilly 2019.   | Bibliography | Complementary.  |
| G. Casella and R.L. Berger. Statistical Inference. 2nd Edition. Thomson Learning, 2002.  | Bibliography | Complementary.  |
| William Mendenhall, R.J. Beaver and B.M. Beaver. Introduction to Probability and Statistics. 14th Edition. Brooks/Cole, 2013.      | Bibliography | Complementary.  |
| Peyton Z. Peebles and Bertram Emil Shi. Probability, random variables, and random signal principles. New York : McGraw-Hill, 2015. | Bibliography | Complementary.  |

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|---|--------------|----------------|
| James, G., Witten, D., Hastie, T., & Tibshirani, R. (2013). An introduction to statistical learning (Vol. 112). New York: springer. | Bibliography | Complementary. |
| Vladimir N. Vapnik. The Nature of Statistical Learning Theory. Springer, 2000.  | Bibliography | Complementary. |
| Judea Pearl et al. Causal inference in Statistics. A primer. Wiley 2016   | Bibliography | Complementary. |

## 9. Other information

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### 9.1. Other information about the subject

The course will be taught in English.

Besides the use of the Moodle platform, in case of need, the communication between professors and students will be carried out using Zoom.

#### Relationship with Sustainable Development Goals:

On the one hand, the course contributes to SDG 4 (sub-objective 4.4): Increase the number of young and adult people having professional and technical competences necessary to have access to employment and entrepreneurship.

On the other hand, the course studies fundamental mathematical and statistical tools to be employed in the modelling of different types of systems such as biological ones (SDG 3), data processing ones for industrial innovation and sustainable cities/communities (SDGs 9 and 11), climate ones (SDG 13) or ecosystems (SDGs 14 and 15).