

Statistical Prediction
MSBD5013

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Textbook & Reference Books.

- Textbook (ISLR): An Introduction to Statistical Learning, with applications in R. (Springer 2013, ISBN9781461471370, eISBN: 9781461471387) by Gareth James, Daniela Witten, Trevor Hastie and Robert Tibshirani.
Book website: <http://www-bcf.usc.edu/~gareth/ISL/data.html>
- Reference (ESL): Elements of Statistical Learning.
(Springer 2009, ISBN9780387848570, eISBN9780387848587) by Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani and Jerome Friedman.
Book website: <http://statweb.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/>

Intended Learning Outcomes:

- Students will understand basic statistical methodologies in statistical learning and prediction. They can apply linear regression, classification, resampling methods and nonlinear methods including trees, support vector machines and other methods to make statistical inference and prediction and justification the accuracy. Students will practice R coding and apply them to real data analysis.

Grading and Exams:

- Final project 100%.

Tentative Schedules.

- Wk 1. Chapter 1-2. Introduction and overview.
- Wk 2-3. Chapter 3. Linear regression models.
- Wk 4-5. Chapter 4. Classification.
- Wk 6. Chapter 5. Resampling and model checking.
- Wk 7. Chapter 6. Linear model selection and regularization.
- Wk 8-9. Chapter 7. Nonlinear methods.
- Wk 10. Chapter 8. Tree-based methods.
- Wk 11. Chapter 9. Support vector machines.
- Wk 12-13. Chapter 10. Unsupervised learning and other topics. (if time allows.)
- Remark: The above course schedule may be subject to changes depending upon the teaching progress. We intend to insert a lecture about data analysis, particularly feature engineering.