COURSE INFORMATION: Applied Multivariate Analysis

Course website:
http://faculty.chicagobooth.edu/ruey.tsay/teaching/ama/sp2014

Course Objective:

- To learn basic techniques for analyzing multi-dimensional data (including visualization)
- To study multivariate distributions and their properties, especially Gaussian distribution
- To understand multivariate statistical inference and applications in scientific fields
- To discuss various methods for dimension reduction, including principal component analysis, factor model, multi-dimensional scaling, sliced inverse regression, independent component analysis, etc.


Lecture Notes: Will be posted on the course web before lectures.

References: (Optional)

1. *An Introduction to Statistical Learning with Applications in R* by G. James, D. Witten, T. Hastie, and R. Tibshirani (2013), Springer. ISBN1-4614-7138-0. **Highly recommended.**


**Articles:** A list of recent articles for dimension reduction will be given and students are expected to read over these articles (Download from e-journals from the library).

**Office hour:**
Friday: 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm or by appointment.
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**Grading:**
Mid-term (30%), Final Exam (45%), and Homework Assignments (25%).

**Special notes:**
- Homework is due **before** the class one week after assigned.
- No late homework assignments will be accepted. Solutions or discussions will follow after the assignments are handed in.
- **You may discuss assignments with each other, but must turn in your own answers.**
- No e-mail submission of any assignment will be accepted.
- Mid-term: Week 6, close book. (May 9)

**Computing:**
The main package is R version 3.0(or higher) (see www.r-project.org). You may use any software of your choice.
You may use regular R or **RStudio**. To install **RStudio**, you need to install R first.

**Course Outline:** All topics include applications
1. Multivariate Normal distributions (multivariate-t)
2. Inferences about a mean vector and comparisons
3. Multivariate linear regression

4. Principal component analysis & Independent component analysis

5. New developments in dimension reduction

6. Factor analysis and discriminant analysis

7. Canonical Correlation Analysis: prediction

8. Discrimination and Classification

9. Clustering and introduction to data mining

10. LASSO regression and variable selection

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