MATH 666: Seminar Mathematics and Statistics

Statistical Computation in R

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Format: 10 x 2 hour classes
Evaluation: Attendance, completion of in-class tasks.
Credits: 2

Target Syllabus

1 The R environment: workspace, command line, scripting, R objects, packages.
2 Core functions: matrix and linear algebra, numerics, special functions, plot, basic R Graphics.
3 Elementary Statistics: statistical summaries, testing, random number generation, linear regression.
4 Advanced functions: apply, lapply etc., user-defined functions, optim.
5 Intermediate statistics: glm, classification, penalized regression.
6 Intermediate statistics: mixed models, time series.
7 Intermediate statistics: survival analysis, bootstrap methods.
8 Advanced graphics.
9 Advanced statistics: MCMC.
10 Advanced topics: writing packages, interface with C/C++.

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