

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

Advanced data analysis II: data vs. theory - 77743

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HU Credits: 3

<u>Degree/Cycle:</u> 2nd degree (Master)

Responsible Department: Physics

Academic year: 0

Semester: 2nd Semester

<u>Teaching Languages:</u> Hebrew

Campus: E. Safra

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Teaching Staff:

Prof Yehuda Hoffman

Course/Module description:

The course develops advanced methods of analyzing and simulating experimental/observational data. The main focus is on the confrontation of theory with data: parameters estimation, hypothesis testing and Bayesian inference. Inference without theory by machine learning will be introduced

Course/Module aims:

To introduce students to up to date ideas and concepts and expose and train them with state of the art tools of (big) data analysis.

<u>Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be</u> able to:

Conceptual and practical know-how of big data analysis

<u>Attendance requirements(%):</u>

100

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: lectures

Course/Module Content:

- 1. Review: statistics and probability
- 2. Frequentist vs. Bayesian analysis
- 3. Fourier analysis: FFT, power spectrum and correlation functions
- 4. Signal and image processing: filtering and noise reduction
- 5. Random variables and random fields: random and constrained realizations
- 6. Theory vs. data: parameters estimation, Fisher matrix, hypothesis testing
- 7. Bayesian inference in (numerical) practice: Monte Carlo Markov Chains (MCMC)
- 8. Inference without theory: artificial neural networks (also known as machine learning)

Required Reading:

None

Additional Reading Material:

None

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %
Presentation 0 %
Participation in Tutorials 0 %
Project work 75 %
Assignments 25 %
Reports 0 %
Research project 0 %
Quizzes 0 %
Other 0 %

Additional information:

prerequisite: advanced data analysis (77742)