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Course outline / Syllabus
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This course has two main objectives

1. The first one is to review basic statistical and econometric theory at an advanced level, especially (but not exclusively) in view of developing tests and confidence sets in econometrics.
2. The second objective consists in studying a number of special topics of interest for advanced work and research. Methods allowing one to obtain finite-sample inference procedures as well more reliable large-sample methods will be emphasized. Among the topics considered, the following ones will get special attention:
   (a) statistical inference methods based on simulation (Monte Carlo tests, bootstrapping);
   (b) finite-sample nonparametric methods;
   (c) projection techniques for the construction of tests and confidence sets;
   (d) identification, testability, exogeneity and weak instrument problems in structural modelling;
   (e) causality analysis in econometrics.

A more detailed lists of topics is available at the end of this syllabus.
The course should be especially useful to students who wish to prepare the a comprehensive Ph.D. examination in Econometrics and eventually write a dissertation where Econometrics plays an important role.

Ce cours comporte deux objectifs principaux. Le premier consiste à étudier certains éléments de théorie statistique qui sont importants pour le développement de tests et régions de confiance en économétrie. Le second sera d'étudier et appliquer dans différents contextes diverses méthodes qui permettent d'obtenir des procédures d'inférence valides dans les échantillons finis ou encore des procédures asymptotiques plus fiables. Parmi les sujets qui recevront une attention particulière, on notera: les techniques de test fondées sur le recours à des simulations (tests de Monte Carlo, bootstrap), l'emploi de techniques de projection pour la construction de tests et régions de confiance, les problèmes d'instruments faibles en économétrie structurelle, ainsi que diverses techniques non-paramétriques exactes.

Documents and other material relevant to the course will be available from my homepage:

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- **Lecture hours**: Monday 18:05 - 20:55.
- Beginning: Monday, January 9, 2023. End: April 10, 2023.
- Official exam period: April 14-28, 2023.
- Add/Drop deadline: Tuesday, January 17, 2023.
- **Room**: Leacock 520.
- **Office hours**: by appointment.
- **Teaching assistants**: to be determined.
- **TA sessions**: to be determined.
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1. a mid-term exam: 20% of the grade;
2. problem sets: 30% of the grade;

3. a final exam: 50% of the grade;
4. an optional short paper and presentation in class (on a topic preapproved by the instructor) which can count as 20% of the final exam; if this option is selected, the final exam counts for 30% of the final grade (rather than 50%).

L'évaluation sera basée sur deux éléments:

1. un examen intra-semestriel: 20% de la note;
2. exercices: 30% de la note;
3. examen final: 50% de la note.
4. un court texte et une présentation (sur un sujet préapprouvé par le professeur) qui peut compter pour 20% de la note finale; si cette option est choisie, l'examen final comptera pour 30% de la note finale (plutôt que 50%).

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Recommended texts / Manuels recommandés /

(GM) Gouriéroux, C. et A. Monfort (1989), Statistique et modèles économétriques, Volumes 1 et 2. Economica, Paris.

(GM) Gouriéroux, C. et A. Monfort (1995), Statistics and Econometric Models, Volumes 1 and 2. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, U.K.. English translation of previous book.

(U) Ullah, A. (2004), Finite Sample Econometrics, Advanced texts in Econometrics, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, U.K.

Other books used / Autres livres utilisés

(Am) Amemiya, T. (1985), Advanced Econometrics, Harvard University Press, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

(An) Anderson, T. W. (1984), An Introduction to Multivariate Statistical Analysis, Second Edition, Wiley, New York.

(DM) Davidson, R. et J. G. MacKinnon (1993), Estimation and Inference in Econometrics, Oxford University Press, Oxford.

(GA) Gallant, A. R. (1987), Nonlinear Statistical Models, Wiley, New York.

(GW) Gallant, A. R. et H. White (1988), A Unified Theory of Estimation and Inference for Nonlinear Statistical Models, Basil Blackwell, New York.

(LE) Lehmann, E. L. (1983), Theory of Point Estimation, Wiley, New York.

(LT) Lehmann, E. L. (1986), Testing Statistical Hypotheses, Second Edition, Wiley, New York.

(R) Rao, C. R. (1973), Linear Statistical Inference and its Applications, Second Edition, Wiley, New York.

(W) White, H. (1984), Asymptotic Theory for Econometricians, Academic Press, Orlando, Florida.

Homework schedule

Week	Day	Monday (18:05-20:55)	Exercise set to hand in	
1	Monday	9 January 2023		
2	Monday	16 January 2023	Exercises 1: Models	
3	Monday	23 January 2023	Exercises 2: Decision Theory. Exercises 3: Information	
4	Monday	30 January 2023	Exercises 4: Estimation theory	
5	Monday	6 February 2023	Exercises 5: Unbiased estimation	
6	Monday	13 February 2023	Exercises 6: General issues in testing theory	
7	Monday	20 February 2023	Exercises 7-8: Confidence sets, Unbiased and invariant tests	Mid-term exam
8	Monday	27 February 2023		Study break
9	Monday	6 March 2023	Exercises 9-10: Maximum likelihood method (estimation and tests)	
10	Monday	13 March 2023	Exercises 11: M-estimators	
11	Monday	20 March 2023	Exercises 12: Methods of moments	
12	Monday	27 March 2023	Exercises 13: Equality constraints	
13	Monday	3 April 2023	Exercises 14: Prediction and residuals	
14	Monday	10 April 2023	Exercises 15: General asymptotic tests	End of lectures
15		14-28 April 2023		Final exam (to set)

Topics

The course of this year will focus on the following topics

1. General statistical and econometric theory
   (a) Statistical models
   (b) Statistical problems
2. Testing and confidence set theory
3. Identification and testability
   (a) General theory of identification and testability
   (b) Identification conditions in common econometric models
4. Approaches to inference
   (a) Finite-sample inference
   (b) Asymptotic inference
5. Special topics in inference
   (a) Simulation-based methods
      i. Monte Carlo tests
      ii. Boostrapping
   (b) Methods for dealing with nuisance parameters
      i. Bounds methods
      ii. Two-stage confidence procedures
   (c) $C(\alpha)$ tests
6. Inference in the presence of identification problems
   (a) Linear models with endogenous explanatory variables
      i. Structural equations
      ii. Measurement errors
      iii. Missing variables
   (b) Instrumental variables
   (c) Weak identification
   (d) Properties of standard inference methods under weak identification

(e) Identification-robust methods

7. Causality

   (a) General theories of causality
   (b) Causality in statistical models
   (c) Causality in static statistical models
   (d) Direct, indirect and total effects
   (e) Treatment effects and policy analysis
   (f) Causality in time series
      i. Wiener-Granger causality
      ii. Multiple horizon causality
   (g) Causality in macroeconomics

8. VAR and VARMA models

   (a) General theory of multivariate time series models
   (b) Identification of VARMA models
   (c) Estimation of VARMA models
   (d) Structural VAR models (SVAR)

9. Quantiles, Lorenz curves and inequality

   (a) Distribution function functions and quantiles
   (b) Lorenz curves
   (c) Inequality measures

Detailed topics
A. General econometric theory

1. Philosophy of science and statistics

1. Objectives of scientific knowledge
2. Criteria for evaluating theories and models

2. Inference techniques

1. Statistical models
   (a) Notion of statistical model
   (b) Important econometric models
2. Statistical problems
   (a) Statistical problems as decision problems
   (b) Review of important statistical problems
      i. Estimation
      ii. Tests
      iii. Confidence regions
      iv. Multiple tests and simultaneous inference
      v. Prediction
      vi. Model selection
3. Information and identification
   (a) Sufficient and ancillary statistics
   (b) Information
   (c) Identification
4. Estimation
   (a) Criteria for evaluating estimators

(b) Unbiased estimation

(c) Some general estimation methods

i. Maximum likelihood

ii. M-estimators

iii. Instrumental variables

iv. Methods of moments

v. Minimum distance

5. Testing

(a) Basic concepts: level, size, power, conservative test, liberal test

(b) Optimal tests and Neyman-Pearson theorem

(c) Important classes of tests

i. Similar tests

ii. Unbiased tests

iii. Invariant tests

(d) Some general methods for building tests

i. Likelihood ratio

ii. Wald tests

iii. Score-based procedures [Rao, Lagrange multiplier, Neyman's $C(\alpha)$]

iv. Union-intersection methods

6. Confidence regions

(a) Basic concepts

(b) Pivotal functions

(c) Duality between tests and confidence regions

7. Multiple tests and simultaneous inference

8. Prediction and residuals

9. Model selection

10. Bayesian approach

3. Distributional problems and finite-sample analysis

1. Asymptotic theory and its limitations
   (a) Review of basic asymptotic notions and results
   (b) Asymptotic expansions
   (c) Limitations of asymptotic theory
2. Invariance problems in nonlinear models
3. Techniques for building finite-sample inference procedures
   (a) Analytical derivation of distributions
      i. Exact distributions of quadratic forms in Gaussian variables
      ii. Imhof's algorithm
   (b) Elimination of nuisance parameters
      i. Conditioning
      ii. Transformations
   (c) Bounds
   (d) Projection
   (e) Randomization
4. Theory of Monte Carlo tests
5. Bootstrap

4. Static and dynamic regressions

1. Nonregular problems in classical linear regressions
   (a) Linear models with non-normal disturbances
   (b) Confidence intervals for ratios of coefficients, Fieller's method
   (c) Linear models with exact collinearity
   (d) Tests of nonlinear hypotheses
   (e) Nonlinear restrictions
   (f) Tests of multiple hypotheses
2. Specification tests and analysis of residuals
   (a) Normality of errors

   (b) Heteroskedasticity
   (c) Autocorrelation
   (d) Outliers

3. Linear regressions with autocorrelated errors
4. Multiple equation regression models
   (a) Multivariate linear regressions (MLR)
   (b) Seemingly unrelated regressions (SURE)
5. Regressions with heteroskedastic errors
6. Inference problems in dynamic models
   (a) Review of technical difficulties
   (b) Exact inference in dynamic models
7. Structural change analysis
8. Nonlinear regressions

5. Identification and structural models

1. Simultaneous equations and identification
2. Inference problems associated with identification.
   (a) Impossibility theorems
   (b) Weak instruments
3. Exact inference in structural models
4. Methods adapted to weak instruments
5. Nonlinear structural models
6. Generalized method of moments

6. Causality and multivariate time series models

1. Multivariate time series models
2. General notions on causality in econometrics
3. Causality in multivariate time series models

7. Nonparametric methods

1. Signs, ranks and permutations
2. Location tests
3. Tests against serial dependence
4. Conditional independence tests
5. Goodness-of-fit tests

Sujets

8. Philosophie des sciences et statistique

1. Objectifs de la connaissance scientifique
2. Critères servant à évaluer les théories et les modèles

9. Techniques d'inférence

1. Modèles statistiques
   (a) La notion de modèles statistique
   (b) Quelques modèles économétriques importants
2. Problèmes statistiques
   (a) Les problèmes statistiques comme problèmes de décision
   (b) Revue des principaux problèmes statistiques
      i. Estimation
      ii. Tests
      iii. Régions de confiance
      iv. Tests multiples et inférence simultanée
      v. Prévision
      vi. Choix de modèles
3. Information et identification
   (a) Notions de statistique exhaustive et de statistique libre
   (b) Information
   (c) Identification
4. Estimation
   (a) Critères pour les estimateurs
   (b) Estimation sans biais
   (c) Quelques méthodes générales d'estimation
      i. Maximum de vraisemblance
      ii. M-estimateurs

iii. Variables instrumentales
iv. Méthodes de moments
v. Distance minimale

5. Tests

   (a) Concepts de base: niveau, taille, puissance, tests conservateurs, tests libéraux
   (b) Tests optimaux et théorème de Neyman-Pearson
   (c) Classes importantes de tests
      i. Tests α-semblables
      ii. Tests sans biais
      iii. Tests invariants
   (d) Quelques méthodes générales pour construire des tests
      i. Quotient de vraisemblance
      ii. Tests de Wald
      iii. Tests fondés sur la vraisemblance [Rao, multiplicateur de Lagrange, $C(\alpha)$ de Neyman]
      iv. Méthodes d'union-intersection

6. Régions de confiance

   (a) Concepts de base
   (b) Notion de fonction pivotale
   (c) Dualité entre tests et régions de confiance

7. Tests multiples et inférence simultanée

8. Prévision et résidus

9. Choix de modèles

10. Approche bayésienne

10. Problèmes distributionnels et analyse à distance finie

1. La théorie asymptotique et ses limitations

   (a) Rappels de théorie asymptotique
   (b) Expansions asymptotiques
   (c) Limitations de la théorie asymptotique

2. Problèmes d'invariance de tests dans les modèles non linéaires
3. Techniques pour la mise au point de procédures d'inférence à distance finie
   (a) Dérivation de distributions analytiques exactes
      i. Distributions exactes de formes quadratiques dans le cas gaussien
      ii. Algorithme d'Imhof
   (b) Élimination des paramètres du nuisance
      i. Conditionnement
      ii. Transformations
   (c) Bornes
   (d) Projection
   (e) Randomisation
4. Théorie des tests de Monte Carlo
5. Bootstrap

11. Modèles de régression statiques et dynamiques

1. Problèmes non réguliers dans le modèle linéaire classique
   (a) Modèles linéaires avec erreurs non-normales
   (b) Intervalles de confiance pour des ratios de coefficients, méthode de Fieller
   (c) Modèles linéaires avec collinéarité exacte
   (d) Tests d'hypothèses non linéaires
   (e) Contraintes non-linéaires
   (f) Tests d'hypothèses multiples
2. Tests de spécification et analyse de résidus
   (a) Normalité des erreurs
   (b) Hétéroscédasticité
   (c) Autocorrélation
   (d) Observations à l'écart
3. Modèles de régression avec erreurs autocorrélées
4. Modèles de régression à plusieurs équations

   (a) Modèles de régression multivariés (MLR)
   (b) Régressions empilées (SURE)
   (c) Applications à des modèles d'évaluation de prix d'actifs financiers (CAPM)

5. Régressions avec erreurs hétéroscédastiques
6. Problèmes d'inférence dans les modèles dynamiques
   (a) Revue des difficultés techniques
   (b) Inférence exacte dans les modèles dynamiques
7. Problèmes d'analyse du changement structurel
8. Modèles de régression non-linéaires

12. Modèles structurels

1. Équations simultanées linéaires et identification
2. Problèmes d'inférence reliés à l'identification.
   (a) Théorèmes d'impossibilité
   (b) Instruments faibles
3. Inférence exacte dans les modèles structurels
4. Méthodes d'inférence adaptées aux instruments faibles
5. Modèles structurels non linéaires
6. Méthode des moments généralisés

13. Causalité et modèles de séries chronologiques multivariés

1. Modèles de séries chronologiques multivariés
2. Généralités sur la causalité en économétrie
3. Causalité dans les modèles de séries chronologiques multivariés

14. Méthodes non-paramétriques

1. Généralités sur les tests de signes, de rangs et de permutations
2. Tests de localisation
3. Tests contre la dépendance sérielle
4. Tests d'orthogonalité
5. Tests d'ajustement

Readings and main references / Lectures et références principales

The symbol * represents required readings. Topics for which no reference is provided will covered in class-notes. Photocopied lecture notes also constitute required reading.

Le symbole * représente des lectures obligatoires. Les sujets pour lesquels aucune référence n'apparaît seront couverts au moyen de notes de cours. Les notes de cours photocopiées constituent des lectures obligatoires.

1. Philosophy of science and statistics / Philosophie des sciences et statistique

1 - 2. Dufour (2000), Dufour (2001).

2. **Inference techniques / Techniques d'inférence**

2. * GM, Ch. 1.

2a. * GM, Ch. 2.

3.* GM, Ch. 3. Basu (1977).

4. GM, Ch. 5. 6.

5. * GM, Ch. 14, 15, 16.

6. * GM, Ch. 20.

7. * GM, Ch. 19.

8. GM, Ch. 11.

9. GM, Ch. 22.

10. GM, Ch. 4, 12

3. Distributional problems and finite-sample analysis / Problèmes distributionnels et analyse à distance finie

3a. ***Ullah (2004, Chapters 1 and 2).

1. ***Dufour (2000), *Dufour (2001), Dufour (2003), *Bahadur and Savage (1956).

2. *Dagenais and Dufour (1991), Dufour and Dagenais (1992), Dagenais and Dufour (1992), Dagenais and Dufour (1994).

3c. *Dufour (1990).

3d. *Abdelkhalek and Dufour (1998).

4. *Dufour and Khalaf (2001b), *Dufour (2006).

4. Static and dynamic regressions / Modèles de régression statiques et dynamiques

*Ullah (2004, Chapter 5 and 6).

1b. *Dufour (1997).

1c. *Dufour (1982).

1d. *Dufour (1989).

1f. *Dufour (1989).

2a. Dufour, Farhat, Gardiol, and Khalaf (1998).

2b. Dufour, Khalaf, Bernard, and Genest (2004).

4a. Dufour and Khalaf (2002b).

4b. Dufour and Khalaf (2002a), Dufour and Khalaf (2001a), Dufour and Torrès (1998).

4c. *Dufour, Khalaf, and Beaulieu (2003), *Beaulieu, Dufour, and Khalaf (2006), *Beaulieu, Dufour, and Khalaf (2007), .

5. Dufour (1991), Dufour and Mahseredjian (1993).

6. Dufour (1990), *Dufour and King (1991), *Dufour and Kiviet (1998), Kiviet and Dufour (1997), Dufour and Torrès (1998), Dufour and Torrès (2000).

5. Identification and structural models / Identification et modèles structurels

1. *Ullah (2004, Chapter 7).

2. *Dufour (2003), *Stock, Wright, and Yogo (2002), *Dufour (1997).

3. *Dufour (1997), *Dufour and Jasiak (2001), *Dufour and Taamouti (2005).

4. *Kleibergen (2002), *Moreira (2003).

7. Causality and multivariate time series models / Causalité te modèles de séries chronologiques multivariés

2. **?**. Pearl (2000)

3. *Dufour and Renault (1998), Dufour, Pelletier, and Renault (2006), Boudjellaba, Dufour, and Roy (1992).

7. Nonparametric methods / Méthodes non-paramétriques

1. Dufour, Lepage, and Zeidan (1982).

2. Dufour and Hallin (1990).

3. Dufour (1981), Dufour and Roy (1985), Dufour and Roy (1986a), Dufour and Roy (1986b), Dufour and Hallin (1987), Dufour, Hallin, and Mizera (1998), Dufour, Farhat, and Hallin (2006).

4. Campbell and Dufour (1991), Campbell and Dufour (1995), Campbell and Dufour (1997).

5. Dufour and Farhat (2001a), Dufour and Farhat (2001b).

B. Special topics

1. Finite-sample techniques in econometrics
2. Simulation-based inference in econometrics
3. Identification problems in econometrics
   (a) Identification theory
   (b) Exogeneity tests
   (c) Statistical inference
4. Causality in econometrics
5. Multivariate time series models: statistical analysis, forecasting, policy analysis
6. Statistical methods for structural dynamic general equilibrium models
7. Econometric analysis of the capital asset pricing models (CAPM)
8. Distribution-free and robust methods in time series and econometrics
9. Statistical analysis for heavy-tailed distribution
10. Volatility modelling
11. Statistical analysis of poverty and inequality
12. Structural change analysis

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——— (1995): "Exact Nonparametric Orthogonality and Random Walk Tests," *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 77, 1–16.

——— (1997): "Exact Nonparametric Tests of Orthogonality and Random Walk in the Presence of a Drift Parameter," *International Economic Review*, 38, 151–173.

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——— (1992): "On the Lack of Invariance of Some Asymptotic Tests to Rescaling," *Economics Letters*, 38, 251–257.

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——— (1982): "Recursive Stability Analysis of Linear Regression Relationships: An Exploratory Methodology," *Journal of Econometrics*, 19, 31–76.

——— (1989): "Nonlinear Hypotheses, Inequality Restrictions, and Non-Nested Hypotheses: Exact Simultaneous Tests in Linear Regressions," *Econometrica*, 57, 335–355.

——— (1990): "Exact Tests and Confidence Sets in Linear Regressions with Autocorrelated Errors," *Econometrica*, 58, 475–494.

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