

Linear Models and Experimental Design
HUDM 5123
3 Credits, Fall 2019

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Overview:

This course provides an overview of experimental design and analysis from the perspective of the general linear modeling framework. Topics include the incremental F test for model comparisons, dummy and effect coding, single and multiple factor ANOVA and ANCOVA, analysis of categorical outcome data via generalized linear models, and repeated measures. The course includes lab time devoted to computer applications.

Prerequisite: HUDM 5122 or HUDM 5126 or another graduate-level course in regression analysis.

Required text:

- Fox, J. (2008). *Applied Regression Analysis and Generalized Linear Models* (2nd or 3rd ed.)

Other useful books (on reserve at Gottesman Library):

- (MD) Maxwell, S. E. & Delaney, H. D. (2004). *Designing Experiments and Analyzing Data: A Model Comparison Perspective* (3rd ed. – 2nd ed. OK too).
- Keppel G. & Wickens, T. D. (2004). *Design and Analysis: A Researcher's Handbook* (4th ed.).
- (HG) Hedeker & Gibbons (2006). *Longitudinal Data Analysis*.
- Field, A. (2013). *Discovering Statistics Using IBM SPSS Statistics* (4th ed.).
- (APA) Publication Manual of the APA (6th ed.)
- Fox, J. and Weisberg, S. (2011). *An R Companion to Applied Regression* (2nd ed.).

Computers and software:

R and RStudio are both open source and freely available. Download R from the Comprehensive R Archive Network (CRAN) here: <https://cran.r-project.org/>; download RStudio from the RStudio homepage here: <https://www.rstudio.com/>. Some resources for more information on R:

- [Stack Overflow](#). Searchable questions and answers.
- [Quick-R](#). Resources and cheat sheet-style primers.
- [Intro to R](#). Online resource that covers the basics with emphasis on statistical modeling.

Grading:

Grades will be determined by labs (30%, in aggregate), an in-class exam (35%), and a data analysis project (35%). Regular attendance is required. Numeric grades will be assigned as follows:

Average	Rare	[93,100]	[90,93)	[85,90)	[80,85)	[75,80)	[70,75)	[65,70)	[60,65)	[0,60)
Grade	A+	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C	C-	F

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Tentative Course schedule:

Class & Date	Topic	Readings
General Linear Models for Continuous Outcome Data-----		
01. Sep 09	OLS Regression and Assumptions Lab: Intro to R & OLS Regression	Fox, ch 5 & 6
02. Sep 16	Diagnostics for Linear Models Lab 01: OLS Regression Diagnostics	Fox, ch 11, 12, & 13
03. Sep 23	Categorical Predictors Lab 02: ANOVA: Dummy & Effect Coding	Fox, ch 7 & 8.1
04. Sep 30	Continuous Covariates Lab 03: ANCOVA	Fox, ch 8.4
05. Oct 07	Modeling Interactions Lab 04: Two-Way ANOVA	Fox, ch 8.2
06. Oct 14	Linear Contrasts Lab: Same	Fox, ch 8.5 & 9.1
07. Oct 21	IN-CLASS EXAM	
08. Oct 28	Correcting for Multiple Comparisons Lab: Same	MD, ch 5
Generalized Linear Models for Categorical Outcome Data-----		
09. Nov 04	Introduction to Categorical Outcome Data Lab: Same (PROPOSAL DUE TODAY)	
10. Nov 11	Models for Dichotomous Data Lab 05: Logistic Regression	Fox, ch 14.1
11. Nov 18	Models for Count Data Lab 06: Same	Fox, ch 15.1, 15.2, & 15.4
Repeated Measures ANOVA and Alternatives-----		
12. Nov 25	Introduction to Repeated Measures Lab: Same	HG, ch 1
13. Dec 02	ANOVA Approaches to Repeated Measures Lab 07: Same	HG, ch 2
14. Dec 09	Mixed Effects & Covariance Pattern Models Lab 08: Same	HG, ch 4, 6, & 7
15. Dec 16	Final Project Q & A; Attendance Optional	

*Note: only numbered labs will be turned in for a grade.

Data-Analysis Project Description:

The goal of the project is to apply methods covered in the course to answer meaningful research questions with a real data set. Data that are appropriate for this project will have the following characteristics:

- a primary outcome variable (continuous, dichotomous, or count),
- moderate to large sample size, and at least two of the following:
 1. a categorical predictor for one-way ANOVA (ideally with units randomly assigned to groups, but OK if not),
 2. a continuous predictor that is correlated with the outcome for ANCOVA,
 3. a second categorical predictor for two-way ANOVA.

The research hypotheses should be formulated so that they line up with omnibus ANOVA/ANCOVA null hypothesis tests and follow-up tests using linear contrasts. These hypotheses should be clearly described. You will need to use some form of Type I error rate control for testing contrasts. It is easier to come up with meaningful research hypotheses with data you are familiar with, so I recommend using data you know. If you have never worked with data before, or if the data you are familiar with does not qualify (e.g., because you don't have permission to use it or it doesn't meet the requirements in some other way), use a publicly available database.

Here are some links to publicly available resources:

- data.gov – open data from the US government
- [PLOS ONE](https://plos.org) – open access journal that requires all data be made publicly available
- The [National Center for Education Statistics](https://nces.ed/ipeds/datacenter/), including [ECLS](https://nces.ed/ipeds/datacenter/ecls/)
- The [Youth Risk Behavior Survey](https://www.cdc.gov/youthrisk/), available from the CDC
- The [Current Population Survey](https://www.census.gov/cps/), available from the U.S. Census Bureau
- The [Fragile Families & Child Wellbeing Study](https://www.princeton.edu/~rcs/frc/), available from Princeton University

APA style is required unless your field uses a different style. If you plan to use other than APA style for your paper, please notify me which style you will use when you submit the proposal.

Data-Analysis Project Key Dates:

- November 4 (Monday, by 11:59 PM) – **PROPOSAL** – Turn in a short (approx. 2 pages) paper describing your data set and primary research questions. Your description of the data set should include information on the number of cases, brief summaries of relevant variables, research hypotheses, and graphs or tables where appropriate. Describe the research questions and the statistical methods you will use to investigate them. Also discuss Type I error rate control strategy for the set of linear contrasts. **I will comment on your proposal with feedback and questions in Canvas. Please check for my comments and respond promptly on the same thread in Canvas.**
- December 17 (Tuesday, by 11:59 PM) – **FINAL PAPER** – A typical length for the final paper is about ten pages of double-spaced 12-point font, not including tables, figures, or appendix. Your paper should include
 1. an **introduction**,
 2. a **body** in which
 - research questions are clearly defined and linked to analyses and hypothesis tests,
 - methods used are described accurately, including formulas as needed,
 - assumptions and their tenability are discussed with evidence including plots and/or statistical tests,
 - results are described in text and with tables and plots (see APA Publication Manual checklists for formatting),
 - the meaning and interpretation of the results is discussed, and
 3. a **conclusion** that summarizes the research questions, results of the study and their essential implications, and limitations.
 4. a **references** section, and
 5. an **appendix** with commented computer code.

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Emergency Plan:

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3. The plan may consist of downloading or obtaining all available readings for the course or the instructor may provide other instructions.