

## **Statistics for biologists/BIOS14 2022**

### **FINAL EXAM**

You can work on this exam between the 30.12.2022 at 0900 and the 13.01.2023 at 1600.  
You submit via Canvas.

The exam comprises two parts, each counting 50% of the final score. Each part includes the analysis of a dataset, for which you will choose your own research questions that can be answered through statistical analysis of the available data.

Your report should be maximum 5 pages + an Appendix including the (clean and annotated!) analysis code

We will evaluate the reports based on the following points

- a. Formulation of research question(s) (10%)
- b. Choice, justification and presentation of the analysis methods (20%)
- c. Presentation of results in text (20%)
- d. Presentation of results in figures/tables (20%)
- e. Interpretation/conclusions (20%)
- f. Clarity of analysis code (10%)

If you have any (technical) questions, please write an email to all three of us and we will respond as quickly as possible (Øystein is in the field from the 4<sup>th</sup> of January and only partly available).

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Good luck!

## Part 1

The following data are from an experiment in which *Dalechampia* plants from two populations each of two species (“S” and “L”) were exposed to either dry or wet experimental conditions in a greenhouse. Blossom traits were measured on blossoms in early bisexual condition. The data comprise the following variables:

table = Which table in the greenhouse

pop = Population ID

sp = Species ID

treat = Treatment (Dry/Wet)

plant = Plant ID

GAD = Gland-anther distance in mm

ASD = Anther-stigma-distance in mm

GSD = Gland-stigma distance in mm

GA = Gland area (square root of gland width \* gland height in mm)

UBW = Upper bract width in mm

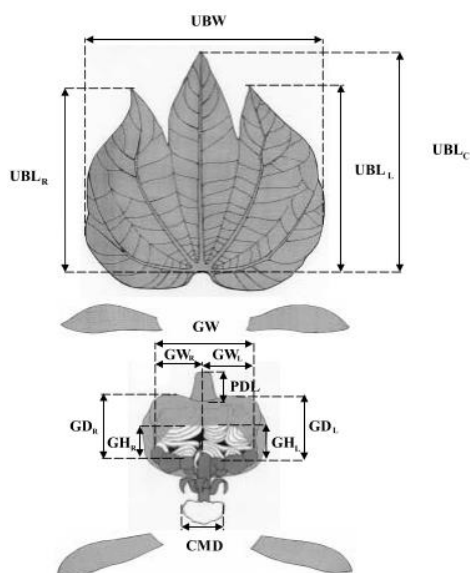
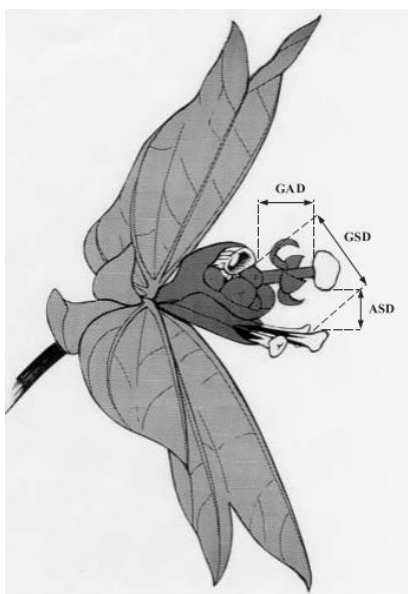
UBL = Upper bract length in mm

LBW = Lower bract length in mm

LBL = Lower bract length in mm

The following line will read the data (adjust the file path to where you keep the data file):

```
dat = read.csv("exam2022_part1.csv")
```



## Part 2

The following dataset comprise measurements of horn length and body mass of mountain goats. The data include the following variables:

Sex: M/F  
date: hunting date  
hornL: length of the left horn in mm  
hornR: length of the right horn in mm  
season: hunting year  
month: hunting month  
day: hunting day  
yr: hunting year  
daynr: day number from January 1<sup>st</sup>  
age: age when killed  
cohort: birth year  
mass: body mass in kg  
density: population density at birth, low / high

The following line will read the data (adjust the file path to where you keep the data file):

```
dat = read.table("exam2022_part2.txt", header=T)
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