## ABI Summer 2021 Introduction to Statistics

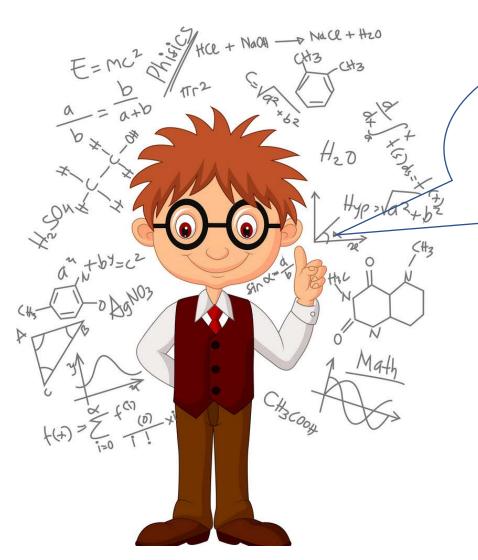
**Guest Session 1** 

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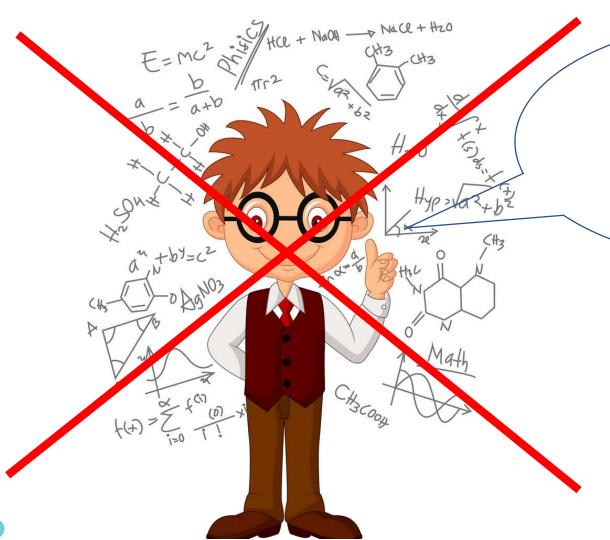




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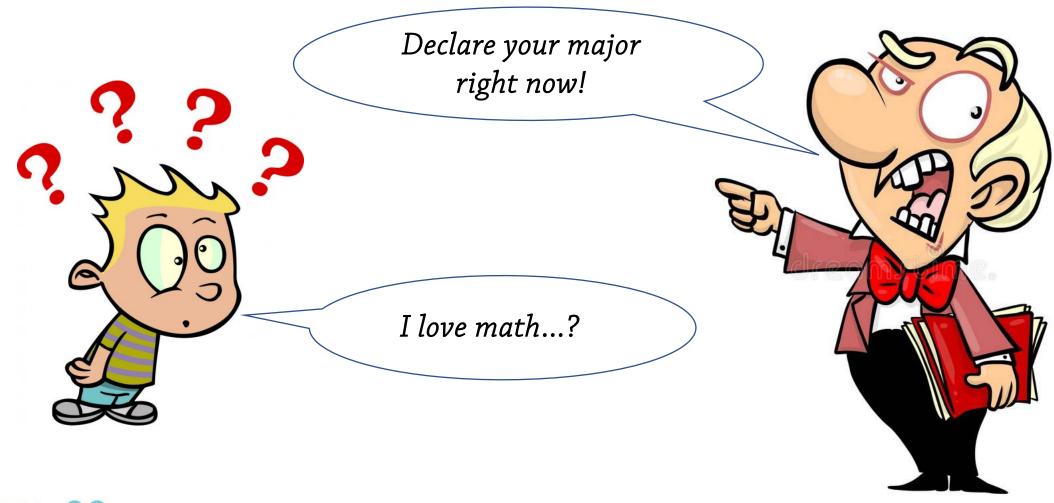






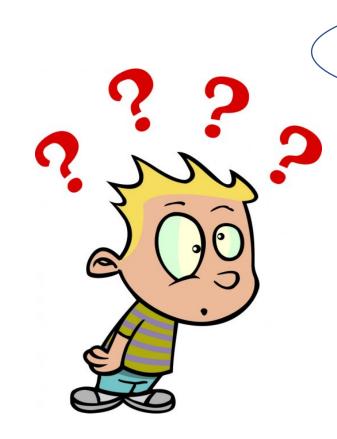
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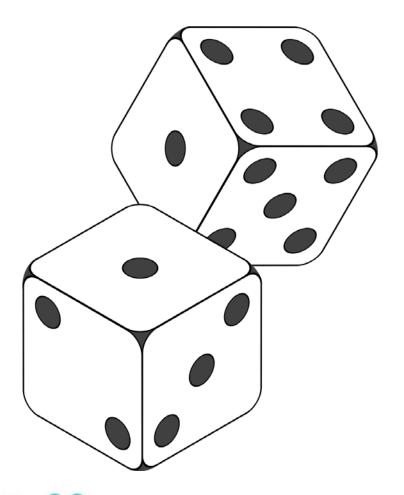
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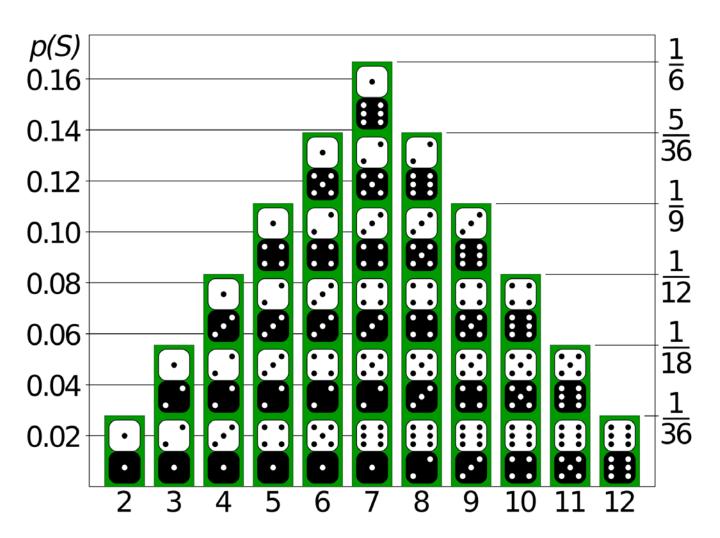






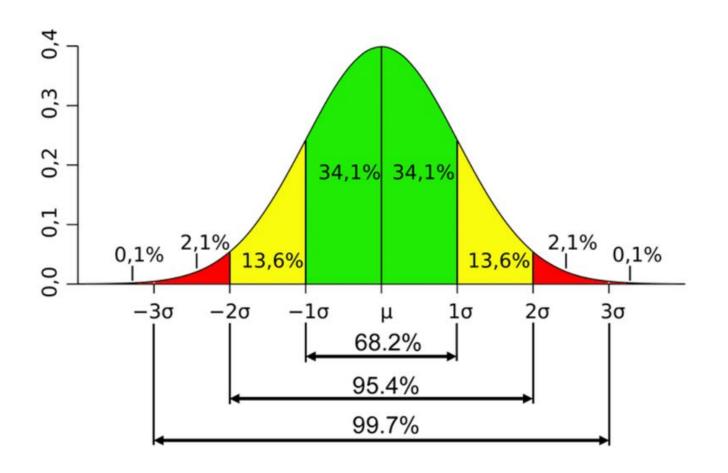
## Probability and Distributions







### Normal Distribution



$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (\chi - \mu)^2}{N}$$

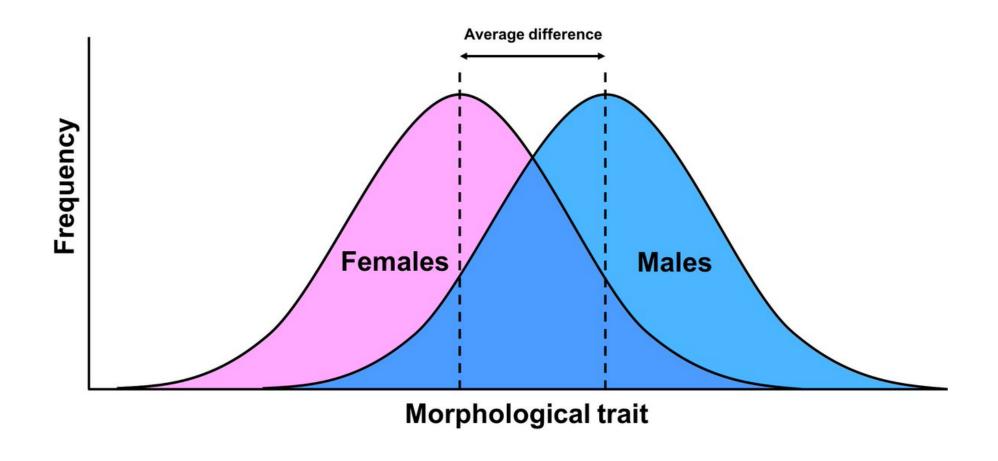
#### **Normal Probability Density Function**

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2}$$





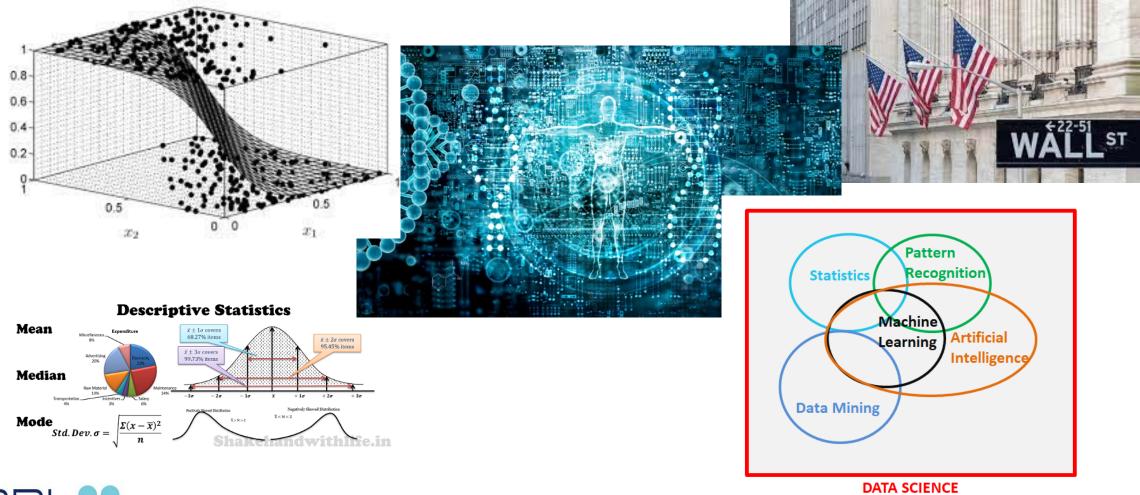
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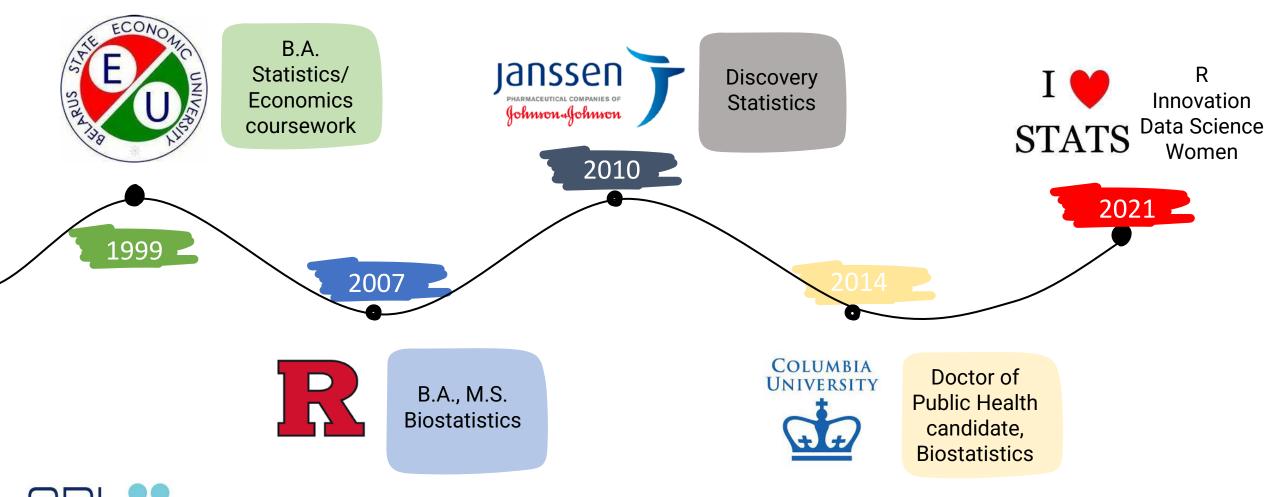
## Applications of Statistics





## Volha Tryputsen: my statistics journey

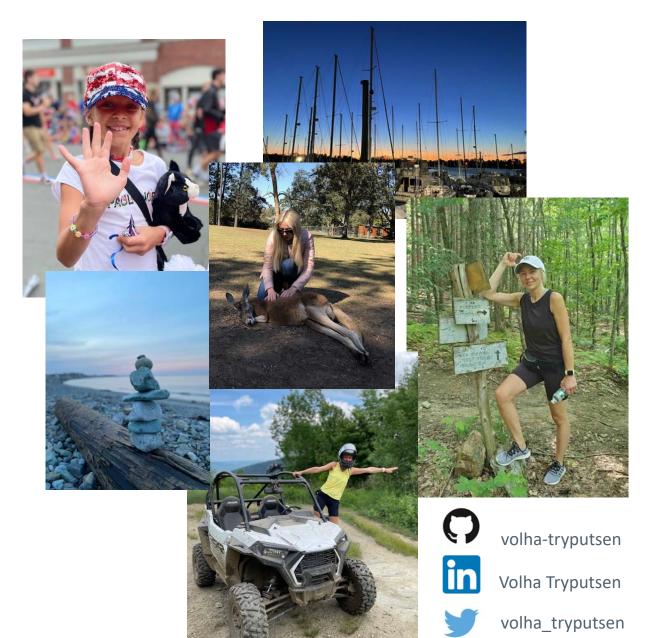




## Volha Tryputsen: when I take my stats hat off...

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reading pilates
hiking
rowing
ocean
ocean
sports
family

racing







## How Much Statistics Do You Know?





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#### 2019-2020 (great year) PhD grads



Ben Li (China) Pfizer



Tray Beavers
J&J Research
(North Carolina)



Ellie Small
Drew University
(Holland)



Debopriya Ghosh J&J Research (India)

### Prof. Javier Cabrera

#### Current research interest

- Statistical Genomics (big p & small n)
  - Quantile Normalization
  - > Enriched Random Forest
  - Enriched Lasso
- Cellular level Experiments (big p & very big n)
  - Data Nuggets
- Statistics for cardiovascular medicine





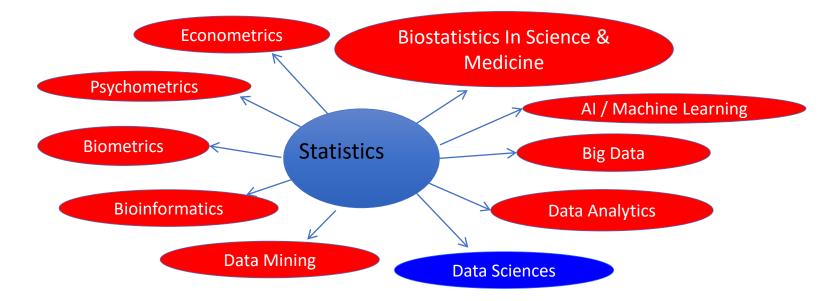
"The best thing about being a statistician is that you get to play in everyone's backyard."

John W Tukey (1915-2000)

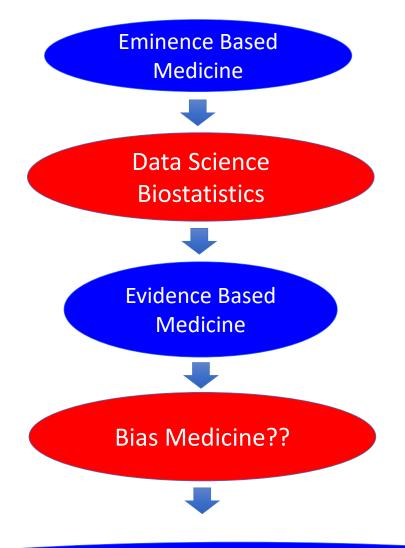
"To understand God's thoughts we must study statistics, for these are the measure of His purpose."

Florence Nightingale (1820-1910)









## **Big Data Medicine**



#### Peacock Female Choice



gaudiness. Stein Are Sæther, an evolutionary biologist at the University of Oslo in Norway, says the new study shows that "we really do not understand exactly what females ... are doing when they evaluate males."

#### Enlarge Image



What females don't want. Peahens in Japan don't always choose the male with the most elaborate train.

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#### Peacock Feather: That's So Last Year

By Virginia Morell Science NOW Daily News 31 March 2008

It's been a truism since Darwin's day: Female peahens prefer a male peacock with a gorgeous train—the fancy feathered fan he unfurls to wow the gals. But a new 7-year study questions this long—held notion, reporting that females in a feral population of Indian peafowl (*Pavo cristatus*) showed no such preference. The controversial paper contradicts previous, lauded studies that did reveal a link and that are part of the canon of evolutionary biology.

It's not what you think – it is what you know



#### Cardiovascular diseases in Women

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Answer: 120 SAME AS MEN!



### **Know Your Tools**

- What are the research questions you are trying to answer?
- What data do you need to answer them?
- Can you design an experiment that will provide you with the data? Think about the experimental design long and hard!
- What are the right tools, i.e., appropriate statistical techniques that can help you answer the questions?
- Do you understand the statistical methods well enough to be confident with your inference? Things to consider:
  - Distributions
  - Missing data
  - Outliers







## Now, Let's Learn Some Statistics!

(over the next 3 sessions)

