Introduction to Survey Methodology

Tutorial

WS 2015/16

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Time and place

Wednesdays, 8:15-9:45, room D-430

Summary

In the tutorial principles and methods are implemented and practiced using real survey data and the free statistical software package R. It will largely be based on:

Lumley, Thomas. 2010. Complex Surveys. A Guide to Analysis Using R. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

Further, we will study individual contributions to the *Journal of Statistical Software*. You can download all materials from the course's website at ILIAS.

Schedule

I. Overview and R introduction

- 21.10. IMPORTANT: NO SESSION—We talk about organizational matters in a joint session with the lecture on 22.10.!
- 22.10. Overview and organizational matters (jointly with the lecture; 11.45a.m.-1.15p.m., room D-432)

Lumley, Ch. 1

Lumley, Thomas. 2004 Analysis of Complex Survey Samples. *Journal of Statistical Software* 9(8): 1-19.

28.10. R introductory workshop, part I (room BS-217, 8.15a.m.-11.30a.m.)

Please work through https://www.datacamp.com/courses/free-introduction-to-r

04.11. R introductory workshop, part II (room BS-217, 8.15a.m.-11.30a.m.)

Please work through https://www.datacamp.com/courses/dplyr-data-manipulation-r-tutorial

II. Sampling

11.11. Simple random, systematic and stratified sampling

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18.11. Cluster and multistage sampling

Lumley, Ch. 3, 8

25.11. Sampling: Practice Session

Assignment 1 (due: 01.12., 11.59p.m., on ILIAS)

III: Non-Response and Missing Data

02.12. Dealing with unit non-response

Lumley, Ch 7

09.12. Dealing with item non-response

Lumley, Ch. 9

Honaker, James, Gary King, and Matthew Blackwell. 2011. Amelia II: A Program for Missing Data. *Journal of Statistical Software* 45(7): 1-47.

16.12. Non-response: Practice Session

Assignment 2 (due: 22.12., 11.59p.m., on ILIAS)

Christmas break

IV. Measurement

13.01. Classical Test Theory and scale analysis

Revelle, William. 2015. An overview of the psych package. Sections 1-5. https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/psych/vignettes/overview.pdf

20.01. Item Response Theory

Rizopoulos, Dimitris. 2006. ltm: An R Package for Latent Variable Modeling and Item Response Theory Analyses. *Journal of Statistical Software* 17 (05): 1-25.

van der Ark, L. Andries. 2007. Mokken Scale Analysis in R. *Journal of Statistical Software* 20(11): 1-19.

V. Modeling survey data

27.01. Modeling survey data: ratios and linear regression

Lumley, Ch. 5

03.02. Modeling survey data: combination of data sources

Peter Selb and Simon Munzert. Forthcoming. "Forecasting the 2013 Bundestag Election Using Many Polls and Historical Election Results." *German Politics*.

10.02. Introduction to the Unipark software

Assignment 3 (due: 17.02., 11.59.p.m., on ILIAS)