

# Lecture 1: Introduction, logistics, review

STATS 101: Foundations of Statistics

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AKA Data science. AKA Big data. AKA Machine learning. AKA Artificial Intelligence. AKA  $\langle$ Next hype term here $\rangle$

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**My impression:** The study of variability.

# Why statistics?

## Data Scientist: *The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century*



## *A.I. Researchers Are Making More Than \$1 Million, Even at a Nonprofit*

Earn a \$1.5 Million Prize at 'Kaggle!' (American Applicants Only, Please.)

- Once again, **data scientist** ranks as **the best job in America**, according to employees.

**Github tops 40 million developers as Python, data science, machine learning popularity surges**



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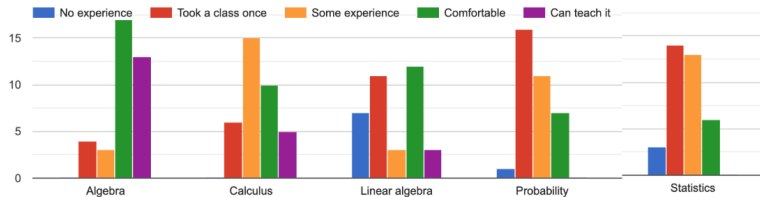
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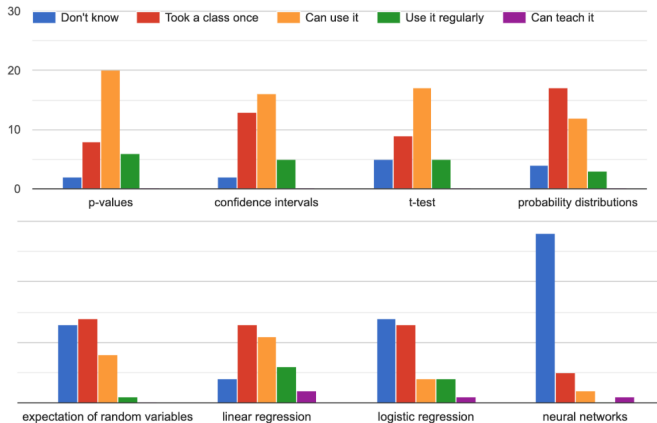
## Wishful thinking

- ▶ STATS 204, 205, ...: Machine Learning, Deep Learning, etc.
- ▶ STATS 214, 215, ...: Survival analysis, clinical trial design, genomics, etc.
- ▶ STATS 224, 225, ...: Statistical theory, Semi-parametric efficiency, etc.

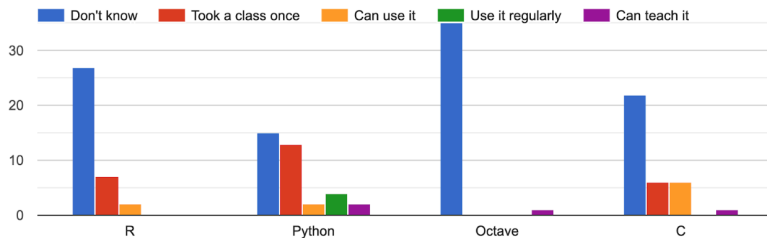
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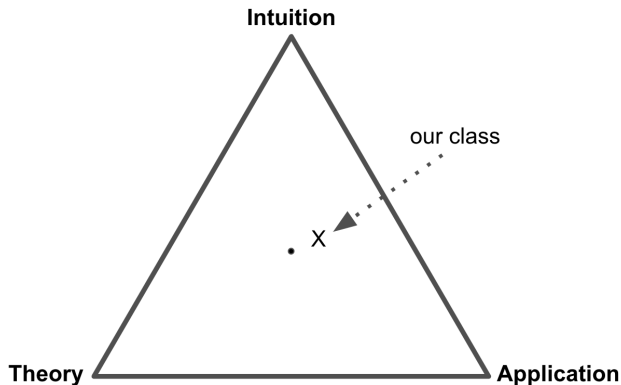
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**Conclusion:** Split the class into two

1. Slower & more friendly class
2. Fast & more in-depth class

## Proportion of concepts targeted



- ▶ **Class website:** *[talisstats.github.io](https://talisstats.github.io)*
- ▶ **Textbook:** *Introduction to Probability (Grinstead and Snell)*
- ▶ **Email policy:** Please use *Piazza* for most questions.
- ▶ **Homework:** Should be submitted to *Gradescope*.
- ▶ **Exams:** No exams will be administered.

# Using math language

**Warning: Math uses a lot of symbols!, e.g.**

Α	Β	Γ	Δ	Ε	Ζ
Alpha	Beta	Gamma	Delta	Epsilon	Zeta
Η	Θ	Ι	Κ	Λ	Μ
Eta	Theta	Iota	Kappa	Lambda	Mu
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ℓ	\ell	✓	\surd	ℬ	\mathbb{B}
J	\jmath	⊤	\top	ℕ	\mathbb{N}
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⋈	\wp	\	\backslash	∠	\angle
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Also can be defined as another variable, i.e.

$$y = -x^2(x+2)(x+3) \quad (6)$$

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Solving for  $x$  gives us

$$2x^2 + 2x - 24 = 0 \quad (12)$$

$$x^2 + x - 12 = \quad (13)$$

$$(x + 4)(x - 3) = \quad (14)$$

$$\implies x = -4 \text{ or } x = 3 \quad (15)$$

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Has lots of properties, e.g.

$$\log_b(x \cdot y) = \log_b(x) + \log_b(y) \quad (18)$$

$$\log_b(x/y) = \log_b(x) - \log_b(y) \quad (19)$$

$$\log_b(x^y) = y \cdot \log_b(x) \quad (20)$$

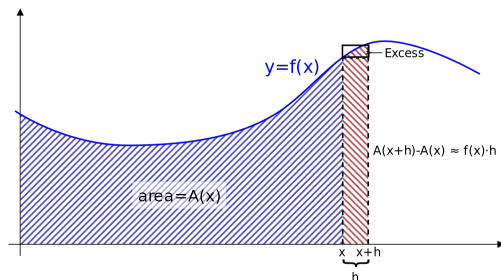
$$\log_b(c) = 1/\log_c(b) \quad (21)$$

$$\log_b(x) = \log_c(x)/\log_c(b) \quad (22)$$

$$f(x) = \log_b(x) \implies f'(x) = 1/(x \log(b)) \quad (23)$$

## The fundamental theorem of calculus

1.  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$
2. if  $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)dt$ , then  $F'(x) = f(x)$



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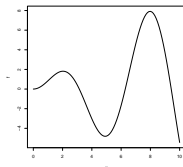
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$$\int f(x, y) dx = \frac{1}{3}x^3y + \sin(y) + C(y) \quad (26)$$

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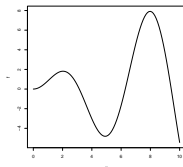
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Take the second derivative, i.e.  $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} f(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f'(x)$  (by again applying the product rule).

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f'(x) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin(x) + x \cos(x) \quad (29)$$

$$= \cos(x) + (\cos(x) - x \sin(x)) \quad (30)$$

$$= 2 \cos(x) - x \sin(x) \quad (31)$$

## Gradients

Given a (possibly multivariate function), e.g.

$$f(x, y) = x^2y + \sin(y) \quad (32)$$

the *gradient* is a vector of partial derivatives of the function, e.g.

$$\nabla f(x, y) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, y) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial y} f(x, y) \end{bmatrix} \quad (33)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2xy \\ x^2 + \cos(y) \end{bmatrix} \quad (34)$$

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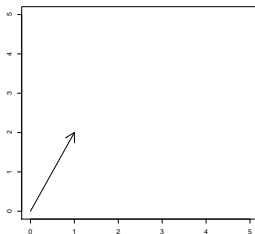
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n.b. The matrix of second partial derivatives is called the *Hessian matrix*.

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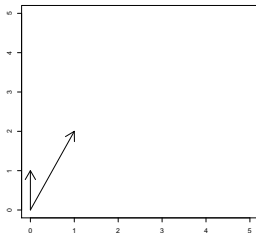
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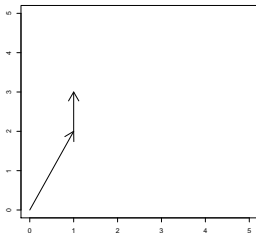
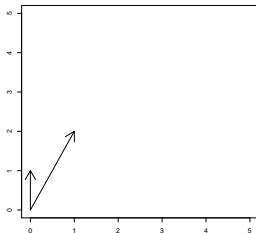


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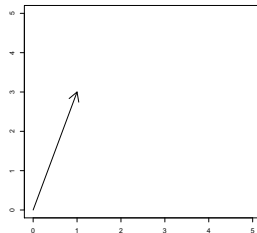
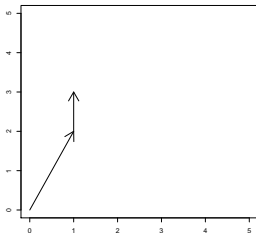
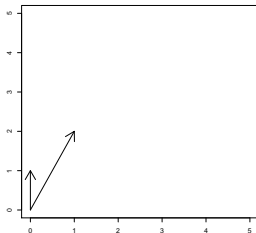


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This can be generalized to **inner product** (in functional spaces)

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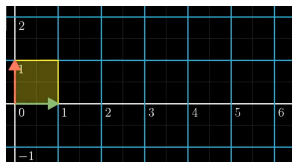
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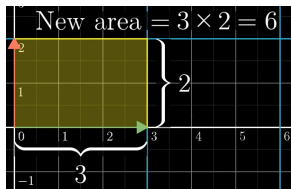
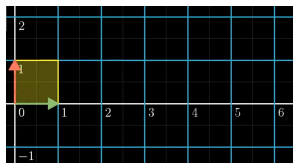
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How to calculate determinants:

For a 2x2 matrix:

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc \quad (46)$$

For a 3x3 matrix:

$$|A| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} \quad (47)$$

$$= a \begin{vmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{vmatrix} - b \begin{vmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{vmatrix} + c \begin{vmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{vmatrix} \quad (48)$$

$$= aei + bfg + cdh - ceg - bdi - afh \quad (49)$$

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