# **Expert in Statistics and Methodology**

Behavioral, Educational, Social and Medical Research

Wilfried Cools

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Experienced in Research, Consultancy and Data Analyses		
postdoc @ Center for Statistics (University Hasselt)		01.03.16 - 28.02.17
external consultancy and data analyses for medical, industrial	and behavioral research	
postdoc @ Methodology of Educational Sciences Research Group (KU Leuven)		18.05.15 - 27.07.15
evaluation of bootstrap procedures for meta-analysis on single development of user interface for the analysis of single case da		
postdoc @ Centre for Educational Effectiveness and Exstatistical analyses of test data on mathematics and languages	valuation (KU Leuven)	multiple contracts 13.10.13 - 20.12.13 19.05.14 - 08.06.14 15.12.14 - 31.12.14
postdoc @ Interactive Technologies (KULAK) study of adaptive learning environments for language learning includes internal and external consultancy, teaching, giving workshops and support	5	multiple contracts 01.06.10 - 31.10.11 01.02.12 - 14.02.12 10.12.12 - 15.03.13 05.06.13 - 04.09.13
postdoc @ Research Group Quantitative Psychology and Individual Differences (KU Leuven)		01.11.08 - 31.12.09
modeling the inter individually different evolution of naturalis	stically observed emotions	
PhD training @ Methodology of Educational Sciences Research Group (KU Leuven)		01.10.04 - 30.09.08
study of multilevel design efficiency using simulation (promoters W. Van den Noortgate & P. Onghena)		defense 06/10/08
research fellow @ Centre for Sociology of Education (KU Leuven)		01.01.00 - 31.08.01
survey research on the perceived effectiveness of high-school mergers by the teaching staff commissioned by the Department of Education in Flanders (OBPWO)		
independent		
development of Shiny-App for the analysis of single case data (commissioned by KU Leuven)		02.15
development of an automatic scoring tool (commissioned by Selor)		05.12
development of procedures for representing and statistically analyzing data (commissioned by Selor) exploratory data analyses and visualization (commissioned by VZW Stijn)		06.12 08.12
data analyses for scale development and IRT item calibration (commissioned by KU Leuven)		02.12
Education at KU Leuven		
PhD in Methodology of Educational Research		04-08
Master in Statistics	social & behavioral statistics	** 01-03
Master in Artificial Intelligence	cognitive sciences	98-99
Licentiate in Psychology with Teacher Training	theoretical psychology	93-98

# **Skills**

statistical software: R / SAS (+ Statistica & MLwiN)

data management: R (+ basic SQL)

programming: R / SAS (+ Java & basic Python) languages: Dutch, English and intermediate French

primary academic referee: prof. dr. Wim Van den Noortgate (promoter, boss & client)

note: gaps are due to traveling or unemployment

<sup>\*\* 1-</sup>year program of Statistics spread over two years, combined with traveling

#### **OUTPUT**

#### Articles

- Cools, W., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2009). Design efficiency for imbalanced multilevel data. *Behavior Research Methods*, 41, pp. 192-203. DOI: 10.3758/BRM.41.1.192
- Cools, W., De Fraine, B., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2009). Multilevel design efficiency in educational effectiveness research. *School effectiveness and school improvement*, 3, 357-373. DOI: 10.1080/09243450902850176
- Cools, W., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2008). ML-DEs: Multilevel design efficiency using simulation. *Behavior Research Methods*, 40, pp. 236-249. DOI: 10.3758/BRM.40.1.236
- Kadengye, D.T., Cools, W., Ceulemans, E., & Van den Noortgate, W. (2011). Simple Imputation Methods versus Direct Likelihood Analysis for Missing Item Scores in Multilevel Educational Data. *Behavior Research Methods*, 44, pp. 516-531, DOI: 10.3758/s13428-011-0157-x.

#### Presentations

- Cools, W., Tuerlinckx, F., Kuppens, P. (2009, July). *Modeling the individual specific oscillatory evolution of emotion in continuous time*. Paper presented at the 9<sup>th</sup> International Meeting of the Psychometric Society, Cambridge, United Kingdom.
- Cools, W., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2007, August). *Power and Accuracy in Multilevel Designs:*An Application to Educational Research. Paper presented at the 56th meeting of the International Statistical Institute, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Cools, W., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2007, October). *Design efficiency in estimation and statistical testing of multilevel variance parameters: A simulation study.* Paper presented at the 15th meeting of the Belgian Statistical Society, Antwerp, Belgium.
- Cools, W., & Van den Noortgate, W. (2008, July). *Multilevel Design Efficiency using Simulation: Two Exemplary Studies*. Paper presented at the 3rd European Congress of Methodology, Oviedo, Spain.
- Van den Noortgate, W., & Cools, W. (2008, July). *Sample-size requirements for a three-level meta-analysis*. Paper presented at the 3th European Congress of Methodology, Oviedo, Spain.
- Van den Noortgate, W., & Cools, W. (2009, May). *Three level meta-analyses*. Paper presented at The Campbell Collaboration Colloquium, Oslo, Norway.

### **Poster**

Cools, W., Desmet, P., & Van den Noortgate, W. (2012, June). *Learning to Conjugate Verbs in a Second Language, how to analyze it.* Poster presented at the Leuven Statistics Day, Leuven, Belgium.

### Tool

Cools, W., Van den Noortgate, W., & Onghena, P. (2006). *ML-DEs: MultiLevel Design Efficiency using simulation*. [https://perswww.kuleuven.be/~u0032822/ML-DEs.html] (scripts and manual).

## **External Workshops**

- Cools, W. & Van den Noortgate W. (2012, May) *Statistics for testing*. A four-day workshop on a wide variety of methodological and statistical issues related to the testing of ability.
- Van den Noortgate W. & Cools, W. (2011, June) *The use of R for doing meta analyses*. Campbell workshop in KU Leuven.

# Consultancy

Dierickx, I., Van Hooland, S., Tomsin, K., Vanercke, D., Cools, W., Fransen, H., & Gyselaers, W. (2016). B1. Feasibility of combined doppler-ECG assessment of internal jugular veins. *The Journal of Maternal-Fetal & Neonatal Medicine*, 29 (sup2), 6-6.