

Mathematical and Statistical Techniques

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Nature

measurements: θ +/- $\Delta \theta$

comparison

extract information on random process from data

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Part I: Probability and statistics

Theory model f(x ; θ **). f** will normally represent the expected number of observations as a function of some measurable quantities **x** and some variables θ of the model that must be determined experimentally

Example: consider a scattering angle distribution with $x = \cos \phi$

$$f(x;\alpha,\beta) = \frac{1+\alpha x + \beta x^2}{2+2\beta/3}$$

Part II: data analysis

NO theory model -> data analysis techniques: clustering, correlations,...



Theory (*)

Part one: fundamentals of probability theory and statistics

- General review of probability theory
- Monte-Carlo
- Statistical Inference and significance test

Assignments: 1 set of problems + 2 exercises to be simulated in a computer (you can use your preferred language, only a random number generator is needed)

Part two: Multivariate Analysis and statistical treatment techniques

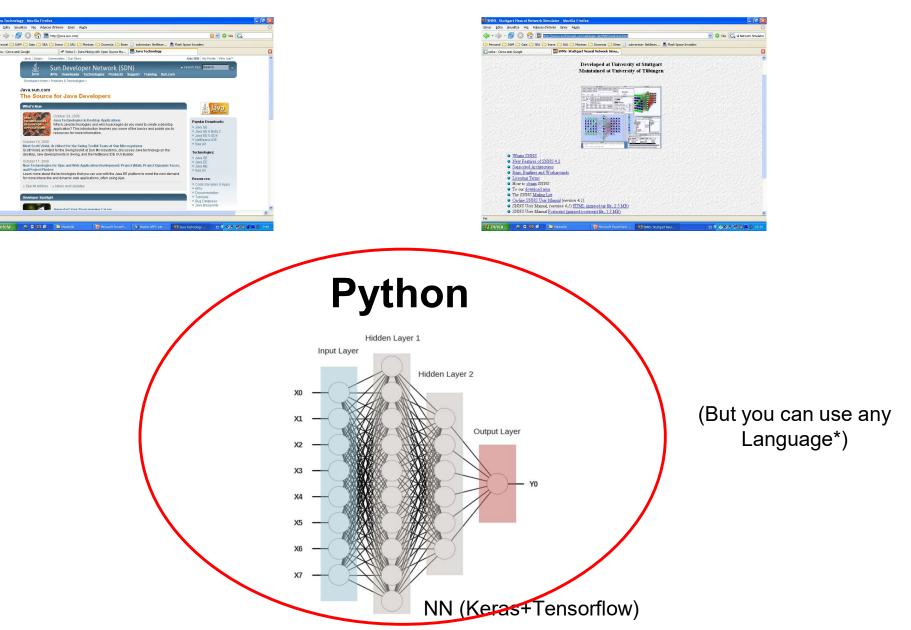
Introduction to multivariate analysis, statistical treatment techniques: concepts and main techniques, hands-on work using specialized software. Data Mining concepts.

- o Data analysis and representation
- o PCA
- o Clustering
- o Discriminant analysis
- o Neural Networks
- o Estimation of the PDF
- o Introduction to Data Mining (+Cloud Computing)
- 3 data análisis assignments

Part two: tools

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Course Material: Campus virtual

http://campusvirtual.ub.edu

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Calendar and evaluation

6 credits

Part 1: weeks 1-6 Part 2: weeks 7-12

There will be no final exam for this course.

The average of the 6 problem assignments that will be given during this course, will compose the final global grading.