

GEOSTATISTICS

**5-DAY COURSE IN APPLIED
STATISTICS FOR GEOSCIENTISTS**

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The Department of Geological Science of the University of Basilicata, in collaboration with the Italian Association of Sedimentary Geology (GeoSed), organizes an advanced course in **Geostatistics**, to be given by Professor **Wojtek Nemeč** (University of Bergen, Norway). The course will take place in Potenza (Basilicata, Italy), from **May 11th** till **May 15th, 2009**, in the building 3D of the University Campus, kindly made available by the Faculty of Science of the Basilicata University.

This is a methodological course in applied statistics for Master/PhD students and professional researchers in all fields of Earth Sciences. The programme consists of lectures and numerical exercises, with the presentation of each method followed directly by practical geological examples (which will possibly be selected to meet the personal research interests of the participants). No special prior knowledge in mathematics, statistics or informatics is required.

The course gives a practical introduction to the use of statistical methods for the analysis of quantitative and qualitative geological data – as a basis for drawing objective, justified and verifiable scientific conclusions. Both parametric and non-parametric statistical methods will be demonstrated, with reference to a wide range of geological problems. The emphasis will be on the various possible ways in which particular data-sets can be analysed, on the corresponding calculation procedures (using a pocket calculator, rather than any 'black-box' software) and on the geological interpretation of the numerical results.

The course is opened to a limited number (ca. 50) of participants. If you wish to attend the course, please fill in the attached **registration form** and return it by e-mail to the organizers at the address given below. (In the form, the questions about your field of research interest/activity and the type of data-sets you are dealing with in your research are meant to help the teacher to select possible relevant examples for the exercises.) The deadline for the registration is **March 15th, 2009**. After this date, a second circular with further details (payment procedure etc.) and logistic information will be sent to the registered participants.

The registration fee depends upon the participant's professional status and is set as follows:

- Oil company/industry researchers € 500
- University researchers (permanent position) € 250
- Master/PhD students and researchers in non-permanent position € 150

The fee includes a copy of the lecture notes book and service for all coffee breaks. Accommodation can be booked in hotels near the University Campus in Potenza. The telephone numbers, e-mail addresses and room prices of the hotels will be given in the second circular.

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LECTURE PROGRAMME

1. Introduction

- 1.1. Why do we need statistics in geology?
- 1.2. Geostatistics and the scope of the present course

2. Basic terminology

- 2.1. Variables – their types and scales
- 2.2. Sample population and general population; population size and dimension

3. What is a "representative" sample population?

4. Estimation of an optimal size of sample population

5. Frequency distribution

- 5.1. Non-grouped and grouped data; frequency plots
- 5.2. Some properties of normal distribution
- 5.3. Common distribution types
- 5.4. Exceedence frequency plots
- 5.5. The significance of power-law distribution (fractal statistics)
- 5.6. Strategy for using parametric and non-parametric methods

6. Basic parameters and their estimators (statistics)

- 6.1. Arithmetic mean, variance and standard deviation
- 6.2. Other useful basic statistics: median, mode, coefficient of skewness, geometric mean, harmonic mean, standard deviation of the mean and coefficient of variation
- 6.3. Simple solutions for simple problems: examples

7. Confidence intervals for basic parameters

8. Confidence interval for mean proportion

9. Analysis of univariate populations

- 9.1. Parametric comparison of two populations
 - 9.1.1. Snedecor F-test for the difference between two variances
 - 9.1.2. Student t-test for the difference between two means
 - 9.1.3. Student t-test for the conformity between population mean and assumed mean
 - 9.1.4. Chi-square test for the difference between population variance and assumed variance
 - 9.1.5. Confidence interval for the difference between two means
 - 9.1.6. The Tukey test for the difference between two means
 - 9.1.7. Confidence interval for the difference between two variances
 - 9.1.8. Confidence interval for the difference between two proportions
- 9.2. Normality tests
 - 9.2.1. The Cramer-von Mises test for non-grouped data
 - 9.2.2. The Pearson test for grouped data
- 9.3. Nonparametric comparison of two populations
 - 9.3.1. Runs test (U-test)
 - 9.3.2. The Mann-Whitney test (rank sum U-test)
 - 9.3.3. The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test (D-test) for grouped data
 - 9.3.4. Contingency tables with chi-square test for qualitative variable
- 9.4. Simultaneous comparison of several populations
 - 9.4.1. The Bartlett chi-square test for homogeneity of variances
 - 9.4.2. The Tukey-Cramer test for homogeneity of means
 - 9.4.3. One-way ANOVA as a test for homogeneity of means
 - 9.4.4. Two-way and three-way ANOVA
 - 9.4.5. The Kruskal-Wallis test (nonparametric rank sum H-test)

10. Analysis of vectorial data populations (*optional topic*)

- 10.1. The construction of rose diagram
- 10.2. Analysis of two-dimensional (azimuthal) vectorial populations
 - 10.2.1. The Kuiper test of distribution uniformity
 - 10.2.3. The Watson test of distribution uniformity
 - 10.2.4. Chi-square test of distribution uniformity for grouped data
 - 10.2.5. Parameters and statistics of population with circular-normal distribution: the mean vector direction and length, vectorial concentration, the Batschelet circular variance and standard deviation
 - 10.2.6. The Rayleigh test of distribution uniformity (parametric)
 - 10.2.7. Evaluation of sample population and analytical strategy
 - 10.2.8. Confidence interval (sector) for the mean vector direction
- 10.3. Comparison of two vectorial populations

- 10.3.1. Test t for the difference between two mean vectors
- 10.3.2. Test F for the difference between two mean vectors
- 10.3.3. Test for the difference between vectorial concentrations
- 10.3.4. Nonparametric test for the difference between two vectorial populations
- 10.3.5. Simultaneous comparison of several vectorial populations
- 10.4. Optimization of sampling of a vectorial population
- 10.5. Analysis of three-dimensional (spherical) vectorial populations
 - 10.5.1. Numerical representation of geological measurements
 - 10.5.2. Chi-square test for spherical distribution uniformity
 - 10.5.3. Parameters and statistics: mean vector direction and length, vectorial concentration
 - 10.5.4. Confidence interval (cone) for the mean vector
- 10.6. Comparison of two spherical vectorial populations
 - 10.6.1. Test for the differences between two mean vectors
 - 10.6.2. Test for the difference between two vectorial concentrations

11. Analysis of bivariate populations

- 11.1. Relationship between two quantitative variables: linear correlation and regression
 - 11.1.1. Covariance and Pearson's correlation coefficient
 - 11.1.2. The Fisher test for the significance of linear correlation
 - 11.1.3. The problem of data closure
 - 11.1.4. Straight-line regression
 - 11.1.5. The Fisher test for the significance of regression
 - 11.1.6. The Fisher test for the difference between two regression coefficients
 - 11.1.7. The regression line's goodness-of-fit
 - 11.1.6. Standard error of estimation for a regression line
 - 11.1.7. Confidence interval and confidence belt for regression line
 - 11.1.8. Curvilinear regression: polynomial, exponential, logarithmic and power models
 - 11.1.9. Nonparametric alternative for linear correlation and regression
- 11.2. Relationship between a quantitative and one qualitative variable
- 11.3. Relationship between two qualitative variables: association analysis
 - 11.3.1. Association of two ordinal variables
 - 11.3.2. Association of two nominal variables

12. Analysis of multivariate populations

- 12.1. Relationship between a quantitative variable and several other quantitative variables: multicorrelation and multiregression
- 12.2. Classification of samples (R-mode analysis) or variables (Q-mode analysis)
 - 12.2.1. Cluster analysis and dendrograms
 - 12.2.2. Principal component (factor) analysis
- 12.3. Discriminatory analysis of two populations

13. Analysis of sequential (serial) data populations

- 13.1. Tests for randomness of data series
 - 13.1.1. Runs test for binomial data series
 - 13.1.2. Up-and-down runs test for binarized quantitative or ordinal data series
 - 13.1.3. Kendall's turning-point test for binarized data series
 - 13.1.4. Fisz's median-crossing test
 - 13.1.5. Gold's length-of-runs test
 - 13.1.6. Meacham's rank-difference test
 - 13.1.7. Hurst's statistic (rescaled range analysis)
- 13.2. Tests for asymmetric trends in data series
 - 13.2.1. Spearman's rank correlation test
 - 13.2.2. Kendall's rank correlation test
 - 13.2.3. The Moore-Wallis sign test
 - 13.2.4. Mean-square successive difference test
 - 13.2.5. The Wald-Bertram test for two equal-length data series
- 13.3. Statistical filtering of quantitative data series
- 13.4. Autocorrelation and cross-correlation methods
- 13.5. Autoassociation and cross-association methods
- 13.6. Semivariogram
- 13.7. Markov-chain analysis
 - 13.7.1. Embedded and regular chain models
 - 13.7.2. Test for the significance of Markovian difference matrix
 - 13.7.3. Test for the significance of the individual elements of difference matrix
 - 13.7.4. Test for stationarity of Markov chain
- 13.8. Fourier (spectral) analysis

14. Analysis of continuous 'regionalized' variables (data with map location coordinates)

- 14.1. Trend surface analysis
- 14.2. Other surface-fitting methods

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Your second name:	
Your position*:	

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Your affiliation (company/university):	
Postal address:	
You phone number:	
Your E-mail:	

Your field of research interest: (e.g., sedimentology, geochemistry, structural geology, palaeontology, etc.)	
What type(-s) of data-sets are you dealing with in your research? (i.e., what are you systematically measuring or counting or recording?)	

Registration fee	<input type="checkbox"/> € 500.00 (oil company/industrial researcher) <input type="checkbox"/> € 250.00 (university researcher) <input type="checkbox"/> € 150.00 (Master/PhD student or academic researcher in non-permanent position)
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