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6. Recommended Prior Knowledge

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8. Syllabus

1. Obtaining information and data
   1. 1.1 Sampling techniques
   2. 1.2 Design of experiments
2. Statistical software for research
   1. Commercial packages: SPSS and Statgraphics
   2. Free software: R
3. Description and basic data analysis
   1. Numerical description techniques
   2. Graphic description techniques
   3. Basic statistical tests
4. ANOVA and Regression
   1. Introduction
   2. ANOVA of a factor. Kruskal-Wallis test
   3. Simple linear regression. Model, hypothesis and diagnosis
   4. Introduction to Multiple Linear Regression
5. Classification techniques
   1. Introduction
   2. Logistical Regression
   3. Discriminant analysis
   4. Cluster analysis
6. Factorial Analysis
   1. Introduction
   2. Aims and Objectives
   3. What is a factor?
   4. Unmasking the factors: preliminary analysis and adequacy
   6. Interpreting the meaning of the factors: rotation
   7. Final Considerations
7. Time Series Analysis
   1. Introduction
   2. ARIMA Models
   3. Box-Jenkins Methodology
8. Extreme Value Statistics
   1. Fundamental concepts in parametric statistics
   2. Basic theory of extreme values
   3. Parameter estimation methods
   4. Parametric model selection
   5. Uncertainty analysis

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**Outline**

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- (03) Achievement tests (multiple choice)

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