

# Overview

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STAT 7200–Multivariate Statistics

## Course details

- Time: MWF 9:30am–10:20am
- Office: 344 Helen Glass Centre
- Office Hours:
  - Tuesday 9:30am–11am
  - Wednesday 10:30am–12pm
  - Or by appointment
- Course Website: <https://maxturgeon.ca/w20-stat7200>

- There is no required textbook for this class. Some references:
  - Anderson, *An Introduction to Multivariate Statistical Analysis*. Wiley (2003).
  - Muirhead, *Aspects of Multivariate Statistical Theory*. Wiley (2005).
  - Johnson & Wichern, *Applied Multivariate Statistical Analysis*. Prentice Hall (2007).

# Assessments

- Three assignments worth a total of 40% of the final grade
- One midterm (tentatively scheduled February 28 outside of class hours) worth 30% of the final grade
- There is **no** final exam
- There is a class project worth 30% of the final grade

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# Course Objectives

- Broad overview of techniques used in multivariate analysis, with emphasis on **Multivariate Linear Regression** and **Principal Component Analysis**.
  1. Make decisions on how and when to use the techniques discussed in class;
  2. Apply and assess multivariate methods on real data;
  3. Make sound statistical conclusions based on a multivariate analysis.
- Apply these methods using the R statistical software.

# Tentative topics

- Review of linear algebra and multivariate distributions
- Multivariate normal distribution
- Wishart distribution
- Inference about mean vectors
- Inference about covariance matrices
- **Multivariate linear regression**
- **Principal Component Analysis**
- Factor Analysis
- Canonical Correlation Analysis
- If time permits, advanced topics:
  - E.g. sparse models, graphical models, random matrix theory

# Multivariate Data

- Multivariate data is **everywhere**
  - Multiple measurements collected on a given experimental unit
- Multivariate analysis is concerned with the relationship between those variables
- **Note:** Regression with a single outcome variable is *not* considered multivariate analysis.

# Multivariate Methods

- One- or two-sample inference about multivariate data (think t-test)
- *MANOVA*: Generalization to several populations
- **Multivariate Linear Regression**: Linear model for multivariate response in terms of a set of covariates

- **Principal Component Analysis:** Reduce dimension of data by finding directions in data with maximal variance
- *Factor Analysis:* Understand variance in multivariate sample in terms of latent (i.e. unobserved) factors
- *Canonical Correlation Analysis:* Study correlations between two multivariate datasets

## Multivariate Methods (not covered in STAT 7200)

- Methods for longitudinal data (e.g. mixed-effect models or GEEs)
- *Clustering*: Grouping “similar” observations based on their (multivariate) measurement (STAT 4600: Statistical Learning)
- *Classification and Discrimination*: Grouping observations and allocating new units to previously defined classes (STAT 4600: Statistical Learning)
  - The difference between the last two is whether or not we measured a class label for the observations.

# Assessments

- This is a theory course, so we will be proving theorems
- However, the assignments and midterm will also discuss applications
- We will use **R**, and the datasets will be provided to you.
  - Code for in-class examples will also be provided
- For assignments and course project, students are *strongly* encouraged to use **Rmarkdown** or **knitr**.
  - Literate programming
  - Reproducibility