



STAT 806

Lifetime Data Analysis

Summer 2008
Day Course

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Prerequisite:

STAT 450

Textbook:

No Textbook Required

Calendar Description:

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1. Basic ideas
2. Some nonparametric and graphical procedures
3. Review of maximum likelihood large sample theory
4. Inference with specific lifetime distributions
5. Nonparametric/distribution free methods
6. Regression analysis
7. The proportional hazards model
8. Regression methods for grouped data
9. Longitudinal studies
10. Multivariate and multi-state problems

Grading Scheme:

Assignments 40%
Project 20%
Final Examination 40%

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