

PART 1: FOUNDATIONS

Fri 2-Sep Introduction I: Reproducibility and Transparency

Read and be prepared to discuss:

[Record Keeping: Laboratory Notebooks](#)

[Record Keeping: Algorithms](#)

[Record Keeping: Data](#)

Sign up for the following accounts (if you haven't already) and confirm on <Google sheet>:

[LabArchives \(through Penn\)](#)

[GitHub](#)

[PennBox \(through Penn\)](#)

Come prepared to discuss from your own lab experiences an example of either: 1) good recordkeeping, or 2) poor recordkeeping

Mon 5-Sep LABOR DAY -- NO CLASS

Wed 7-Sep Introduction I: Overview and Goals

Readings:

[1. Platt, J.R. \(1964\) Strong Inference: Certain systematic methods of scientific thinking may produce much more rapid progress than others. Science 146, 347-353.](#)

Come prepared to discuss from your own lab experiences, or from a study you have learned/read about, an example of either: 1) strong inference, or 2) not strong inference

[2. Kass, R.E. \(2011\) Statistical Inference: The Big Picture. Statistical Science 26\(1\).](#)

Come prepared to describe from the paper: 1) a topic that you have already learned/understand well, and 2) a topic that is new to you and/or is not clear from the description in the paper.

Fri 9-Sep Introduction III: Frequentist versus Bayesian Approaches

Go through the following tutorial and complete exercises 1 and 2. Post your answers to GitHub.

[Frequentist versus Bayesian approaches](#)

Mon 12-Sep Data Visualization I: Principles (Dávila)

Wed	14-Sep	Data Visualization II: Examples (Dávila)	Find a figure/graph from a paper you think displays the distribution of their data well or poorly. Post it in the Canvas course discussion.
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Fri	16-Sep	Probability Distributions I: Concepts	Go through the following tutorials, then: 1) find a paper that shows data thought to come from one of these distributions, and 2) write code to simulate data that (roughly) match the distribution shown in the paper. Post your answers to GitHub. Samples and Populations Probability Distributions Overview Bernoulli Distribution Binomial Distribution Exponential Distribution Gaussian (Normal) Distribution Poisson Distribution Student's t Distribution
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Mon	19-Sep	Probability Distributions II: Binomial Distribution Case Study	Complete the exercises from the Neuroscience Example (“Quantal release”) case study in the Binomial distribution tutorial and post your answers to GitHub Binomial Distribution
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Wed	21-Sep	Probability Distributions III: Confidence Intervals and Bootstrapping	Go through the following tutorial, then complete the Exercises and post your answers to GitHub: Confidence Intervals and Bootstrapping
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Fri	23-Sep	Two-Sample Inference I: Experimental Design and Power Analysis	Read and be prepared to discuss: Button et al (2013), Power failure: why small sample size undermines the reliability of neuroscience Go through the following tutorial, then complete the Exercises and post your answers to GitHub: Error Types, P-Values, False-Positive Risk, and Power Analysis
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Mon 26-Sep Two-Sample Inference II: Parametric Tests and Multiple Comparisons Go through the following tutorials, then complete the Exercises and post your answers to GitHub:
[t-tests](#)
[Multiple comparisons](#)

Wed 28-Sep Two-Sample Inference III: Nonparametric Tests Complete and be prepared to discuss this Colab tutorial:
[Simple Non-Parametric Tests](#)

Fri 30-Sep Measures of Association I: Correlation Go through the following tutorials, then complete the parametric correlation coefficient exercises and post your answers to GitHub.
[Measures of association](#)
[Parametric correlation coefficient](#)
[Nonparametric correlation coefficient](#)
Optional: Review the code in the NGG GitHub Repository under "Examples/LC-Pupil/" that was used to generate Fig. 3 of Joshi et al.

Mon 3-Oct Measures of Association II: "Nonsense correlations" Read and be prepared to discuss:
[Nonsense Correlations in Neuroscience](#)
Code to generate figures is [here](#)

Wed 5-Oct Measures of Association III: Simple Linear Regression Go through the following tutorials, then complete the linear regression exercises and post your answers to GitHub.
[Measures of association](#)
[Simple linear regression](#)

Fri 7-Oct QNC Modeling I: LATER Model Case Study Read and be prepared to discuss:
[Noorani \(2014\)](#)
Some more readings just for fun:
[RT at Penn I](#)
[RT at Penn II](#)
[RT at Penn III](#)

Mon	10-Oct	QNC Modeling II: RT Data Visualization	Run the Matlab tutorials in the NGG GitHub Repository under "Examples/LATER model/laterTutorial_plot*" Repository link
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Wed	12-Oct	QNC Modeling III: Model Fitting	Run the Matlab tutorials in the NGG GitHub Repository under "Examples/LATER model/laterTutorial_modelFits and laterTutorial_modelParameters" Repository link
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PART 2: APPLICATIONS (STUDENT PRESENTATIONS)

Fri	14-Oct	PRESENTATION 1: HYPOTHESES AND EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN	
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Wed	19-Oct
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Fri	21-Oct
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Mon	24-Oct
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Fri	28-Oct
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Wed	2-Nov	PRESENTATION 2: DATA VISUALIZATION	
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Fri	4-Nov
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Mon	7-Nov
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Wed	9-Nov
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Fri	11-Nov
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Wed	16-Nov
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Fri	18-Nov
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Mon	21-Nov	PRESENTATION 3: HYPOTHESIS TESTING	
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Wed	23-Nov
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Fri	25-Nov	THANKSGIVING -- NO CLASS	
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Mon	28-Nov
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Wed	30-Nov
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Fri 2-Dec

Mon 5-Dec

Wed 7-Dec

Fri 9-Dec