

# Mathematical Statistics

MH7004

Introduction

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# Background

- **Since 2019:** Nanyang Assistant Professor at NTU
- **06.2015-12.2018:** Postdoc in Financial and Insurance Mathematics at ETH Zurich
- **02.2012-05.2015:** PhD in Mathematics, ETH Zurich (Columbia U.)  
*Supervisors:* Prof. Marcel Nutz (Columbia University),  
Prof. Martin Schweizer (ETH Zurich)  
*Thesis title:* Knightian Uncertainty in Mathematical Finance
- **10.2006-10.2011:** Bachelor and Master in Mathematics at ETH

## Research interests:

- Machine Learning Algorithms in Finance and Insurance
- Model Uncertainty in Financial Markets
- Financial and Insurance Mathematics
- Stochastic Analysis & Stochastic Optimal Control
- Stochastic Optimization and Applied Probability Theory

# Who are you?

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# Schedule

❶ **Lecture:** Friday 13:30-17:20 at MAS Exec Room 2

# Teaching method

- 1 We shall have a lecture followed by a tutorial
- 2 No designated tutorials
- 3 Many examples throughout the lectures
- 4 No homework assignments, only recommended exercises

# Learning subjects

- Part 0: Introduction
- Part I: Descriptive statistics
- Part II: Elements of Probability
- Part III: Random variables
- Part IV: Confidence interval
- Part V: Point Estimation
- Part VI: Maximum Likelihood Estimation
- Part VII: Bayesian Inference
- Part VIII: Hypothesis Testing
- Part IX: Regression
- Revision



# Learning outcomes

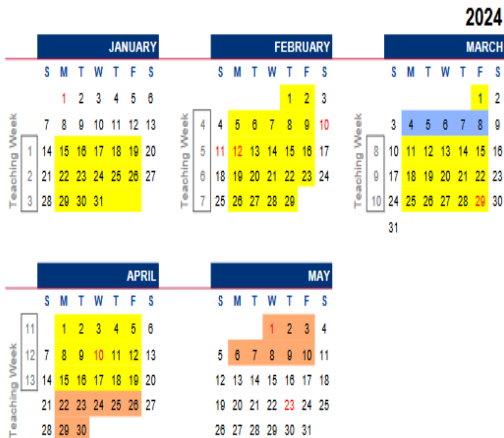
Upon successful completion of the requirements for this course, students should have the knowledge and skills to:

- 1 Demonstrate an understanding of probability theory
- 2 Demonstrate knowledge of, and properties of, statistical models in common use
- 3 Understand the basic principles underlying statistical inference (estimation and hypothesis testing)
- 4 Be able to construct tests and estimators, and derive their properties
- 5 Understand the difference between Frequentist and Bayesian approaches

# Learning resources

- ❶ **Slides** will be available online via NTULearn and my homepage
- ❷ **Book:** Statistical Inference, 2nd Ed,  
by George Casella and Roger L. Berger, 2001  
(You can find it using google)
- ❸ **Consult** and **discuss** with your class mates
- ❹ My **email** address: ariel.neufeld@ntu.edu.sg

# Semester Dates



## SINGAPORE PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

National Day	9 Aug 2023 (Wed)
Deepavali	12 Nov 2023 (Sun)* 13 Nov 2023 (Mon) will be a public holiday.
Christmas Day	25 Dec 2023 (Mon)
New Year's Day	1 Jan 2024 (Mon)
Chinese New Year	10-11 Feb 2024 (Sat-Sun)* 12 Feb 2024 (Mon) will be a public holiday.
Good Friday	29 Mar 2024 (Fri)
Hari Raya Puasa	10 Apr 2024 (Wed)
Labour Day	1 May 2024 (Wed)
Vesak Day	22 May 2024 (Wed)
Hari Raya Haji	17 Jun 2024 (Mon)

Public holiday dates are marked in red on the calendar.

# Indicative assessment

- ① Individual Oral Exam (30 minutes each)

**Date:** T.B.A.

# Questions

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