

Syllabus for ISyE 4031 – Regression and Forecasting

1. Class Time and Location: Tuesday and Thursday 10:25 – 12:20 pm at the classroom assigned by GTE
2. **Course CRN: [to be posted on oscar.gatech.edu](https://oscar.gatech.edu) every semester**
3. **Course Catalog Description:** Regression analysis: multiple linear regression, diagnostics, and variable selection. Forecasting: exponential smoothing techniques and autoregressive moving average models.
4. **Instructor:** Dr. Jye-Chyi Lu (nickname: JC), Professor in ISyE; Taught this class in the GTE 8+ times;
Fellow of the American Statistical Association;
2023 and 2025 Summer CIOS Honor Roll for Large Class ISyE 4031R and
Year 2022 CIOS Award Winner.
5. Email: JCLU@isye.gatech.edu (main communication method) – **Email me for questions**
6. Pre-Requisites: ISyE 2027;
Co-Requisites: ISyE 3030 (it is encouraged that students in GTE take ISyE 3030 and 4031 together)
7. Office & Office Hours: **9:45 – 10:15 am & 12:30 – 1:20 pm, T, Th** (at the office assigned by GTE)
8. **Texts: I will use notes posted on Canvas.** The book below will serve as our main reference.
Forecasting, Time Series, and Regression (with CD-ROM) 4th Edition
by Bruce L. Bowerman, Richard O'Connell, Anne Koehler
ISBN-10: 0534409776; ISBN-13: 978-0534409777
9. Course **Goals/Contents:** The course will be instructed under the following three components.
 - 1) Simple and Multiple Regressions, Variable Selection and Model Diagnostics,
 - 2) Exponential Smoothing, Time-Series ARMA Models, Seasonal ARIMAs
 - 3) Advanced Regressions, Time-Series Regressions, Advanced Forecasting Methods

10. **Software:** Free statistical software package R and Python will be used. R can be downloaded at <http://cran.r-project.org/> This software is important for ISyE 4031 and ISyE 3030 courses and popular in many real-world applications.
11. **Grade Distribution** (might be adjusted): Exam #1(a) (20%), Exam #1(b) (12%), Exam #2 (15%), Exam #3(a) (20%), Exam #3(b) (15%), Two Computer Projects (in place of the Final Exam) (11%), Two Enrichment Projects (4%), Attendance (2% - GTE requires attendance check for every lecture – students are allowed to miss up to **three** attendances), Instructional Survey (1%). Note that there are past reports and R-codes for the take-home exams, and computer and enrichment projects. Past in-class exams (with solutions) will also be available for students.
12. **Semester Grade Decisions:**

A [90, 100+], B [80, 89.999], C [70, 79.999], D [60, 69.999], F [Below 60]. When a semester score is in the borderline (e.g., 89.1 – 89.999), we will review exam grades and attendance records for grade promotion decisions.
13. **Course Learning outcomes** and their relationships with ISyE Program Outcomes:

At the end of this course, students will be able to:

 - 1) Formulate real life problems using regression and forecasting models.
 - 2) Collect appropriate data to estimate the models and understand which data are useful in solving the problem.
 - 3) Use statistical software to estimate the models from real data.
 - 4) Draw conclusions from the estimated models to solve real-life problems.

Course outcome \ Program Outcomes	1. identify, formulate solve engg prob by engg, sci & Math	2. produce solutions consider public health, safety, welfare, global, cultural, social, environ & economic	3 communicate with a range of audience	4 recognize ethical & professional responsibilities, make informed judgement consider resolutions in global, economic, environ and societal context.	5. effective on a team provide leadership, collaborative and inclusive environ, plan tasks & meet objectives	6. develop and conduct experiment, analyze and interpret data & use engineering judgement to draw conclusions.	7. acquire and apply new knowledge using appropriate learning strategies
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Evaluation of the important outcomes

The outcome 1, 2 and 4 will be assessed by the project

14. Georgia Tech Honor Codes: Students are required to follow the Georgia tech honor code, which may be found at: <http://osi.gatech.edu/content/honor-code>

Please pay attention to the following guidelines provided by Georgia Tech.

- 1) What is not plagiarism? Plagiarizing is defined by Webster’s as “to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own: use (another's production) without crediting the source.” If caught plagiarizing, you will be dealt with according to the GT Academic Honor Code.
- 2) What is authorized collaboration and what is unauthorized collaboration? Regardless of whether an exam is an in-class or take-home exam, solving exam problems together is an unauthorized collaboration. If an exam is a take-home exam and it is required to write computer codes to employ software packages to perform certain computation or data analysis, the following are authorized collaboration with fellow students:
 - (a) installing software systems onto your PC,
 - (b) downloading data into software systems,

- (c) calling codes into your PC's software systems, and
- (d) getting computer printouts from computer screens or downloadable files.

15. Information on services from the [Office of Disability Services](#):

The Office of Disability Services collaborates with students, faculty, and staff to create a campus environment that is usable, equitable, sustainable, and inclusive of all members of the Georgia Tech community. The Disability Services Testing Center is a proctoring resource for faculty and students connected with Disability Services.

Prior to scheduling any exams with the Testing Center, the student must:

- Email Dr. Lu the Faculty Notification Letter
- Discuss the provision of accommodation with the instructor

16. Please review the reference for the [Georgia Tech Honor Code](#) and [Student-Faculty Expectations Agreement](#) by clicking on the documents underlined here.

17. Changes after the first week should be made before the last day to withdraw with a W grade.

18. Incomplete grade: For the incomplete grade, the student must finish most of the assignments and tests and having a passing grade but unable to complete the final part of the class due to NON-ACADEMIC reasons can be assigned an "I".