Methods in Transportation Econometrics and Statistics (Master)

Curriculum WS 2024/25

Subject	# Lectures
How to explain econometrics to my grandmother? Definition and objectives of econometrics; the role of statistics; mathematical models and their categories; example: Covid-19 models	1
What are the influence factors? Linear models: specification, matrix notation, ordinary-least squares parameter estimation	1
Significant or not? Classical inferential statistics of linear models: confidence intervals and tests	1
To be or not to be? Logistic regression (no Youtube lecture)	0.5
Is the p-value dead? Bayesian inference	1
Why the interviewer wants to know my age? principles of surveys as input for discrete-choice models: variable categories, revealed preference/choice, stated preference/choice, choice-based conjoint analysis, design of the questionnaire.	1
Car or public transport? general aspects of discrete-choice theory, its difference to linear models, and their relevance for traffic econometrics	1
How to model a homo oeconomicus not knowing everything? binomial and multinomial logit and probit models	1
How to maximize profit from an airports perspective? Elasticities	0.5
How to estimate the value of time? Maximum-likelihood estimation and inferential statistics	1
How to determine the right model and assess the model quality? Likelihood-ratio test and goodness-of-fit measures	1
How to tackle hierarchical decisions and other complex cases? Advanced concepts: nonlinear models, GEV models, particularly nested-logit models	1
Why is sun power not "carbon free"? Introduction to the input-output analysis	1
Is Greta right in promoting electrical vehicles? introduction to life-cycle assessment (German: "Ökobilanz")	1
Spare time and preparation for the examination	0-1