Advanced Programming in R

Single subject and programme course

6 credits

Avancerad programmering i R

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Main field of study
Computer Science

Course level
Second cycle

Advancement level
A1N

Course offered for
- Master's Programme in Statistics and Machine Learning

Entry requirements
- 180 ECTS credits passed including 90 ECTS credits in one of the following subjects:
    - statistics
    - mathematics
    - applied mathematics
    - computer science
    - engineering
- Passed courses in:
    - calculus
    - linear algebra
    - statistics
    - programming
- English corresponding to the level of English in Swedish upper secondary education (Engelska 6)
  Exemption from Swedish

Intended learning outcomes
After completion of the course the student should on an advanced level be able to:
- write R programs based on programming techniques such as reading data from file or Internet, assignment and manipulation of data structures, defining own functions, iterations, conditional (if-then-else) statements and debugging,
- speed up R programs by using parallel programming and performance enhancement tools,
- organize the own code in the form of an R package.

Course content

The course introduces general programming techniques and their practical implementation in the R language.

More specifically, the course includes:

- reading data from file, from the internet, and printing to output,
- data structures, functions and objects,
- iteration and conditional statements,
- numerical linear algebra in R,
- debugging,
- object-oriented programming,
- performance enhancement,
- parallel programming,
- literate programming,
- development of R packages.

Teaching and working methods

The teaching comprises lectures and computer exercises. The lectures are devoted to presentations of concepts and methods. The computer exercises provide practical experience of programming in R. Homework and independent study are a necessary complement to the course.
Language of instruction: English.

Examination

Written reports on computer exercises. One final written or oral examination. Detailed information about the examination can be found in the course's study guide.

If the LiU coordinator for students with disabilities has granted a student the right to an adapted examination for a written examination in an examination hall, the student has the right to it. If the coordinator has instead recommended for the student an adapted examination or alternative form of examination, the examiner may grant this if the examiner assesses that it is possible, based on consideration of the course objectives.

Students failing an exam covering either the entire course or part of the course twice are entitled to have a new examiner appointed for the reexamination.

Students who have passed an examination may not retake it in order to improve their grades.

Grades

ECTS, EC

Other information

Planning and implementation of a course must take its starting point in the wording of the syllabus. The course evaluation included in each course must therefore take up the question how well the course agrees with the syllabus.

The course is carried out in such a way that both men´s and women´s experience and knowledge is made visible and developed.

Department

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