Experimental Basis for Chemical Engineers
ECH 6843
Class Periods: MWF 3:00 – 3:50 pm
Location: CHE 0316

Academic Term: Spring 2024

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Course Description
(3 credits) Statistical design of experiments and treatment of data, including regression analysis, interpolation, and integration.

Course Pre-Requisites / Co-Requisites
N/A

Course Objectives
Process engineers often find themselves in situations where they are asked to deliver a process or product which meets certain specifications. Whenever we hear or read statements such as “Guaranteed to last for 5 years” or “This soda contains only 100 calories per 12 oz of serving”, there is always an experiment and data analysis exercise hidden in the background which certifies these claims or hypotheses. If you are interested in the world of statistical data inference, hypothesis testing and the theory of designing experiments, then this is the right class for you.
By the end of this course, students will be able to:
• Understand the different approaches to experimental design based on the end goals;
• Build a foundation for the statistical theory and statistical analysis for experimental design;
• Build appropriate statistical models for designed experiments, perform data analysis using python, and communicate results through use of statistical jargon; and
• Construct appropriate experimental designs for given problems: sample size determination, choice of levels of variables, designs with randomization.

Materials and Supply Fees
N/A

Required Textbooks and Software
Design and Analysis of Experiments, 10th Edition
Douglas C. Montgomery
June 2019

Software: Python, associated packages

Recommended Materials
N/A

Course Schedule
Week 1: Introduction and Python Basics
Week 2: Pandas and Data visualization
Week 3: Probability distribution functions and Confidence Intervals
Week 4: Hypothesis Testing with Python
Week 5: Process Matching: Simple Comparative experiments
Week 6: Process Matching: Paired test approach
Week 7: Mid Term 1 /and Introduction to Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)
Week 8: Statistical comparison of multiple processes with Analysis of Variance ANOVA
Week 9: Process optimization using Analysis of Variance ANOVA
Week 10: Mid Term 2 and Introduction to Random designs/Blocking
Week 11: Analyzing process data Random designs/Blocking
Week 12: Factorial designs – process modelling and interpolation
Week 13: JMP : Basics, data processing and plotting
Week 14: JMP : Performing Statistical Analysis (simple comparative experiments / ANOVA)
Week 15: Review / Final Exam

Attendance Policy, Class Expectations, and Make-Up Policy
Excused absences must be in compliance with university policies in the Graduate Catalog
(http://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/content.php?catoid=10&navoid=2020#attendance) and require appropriate documentation.

Evaluation of Grades
Grades will be based on attendance, participation, weekly assignments, two midterm tests and a final exam. Weekly assignments must be submitted online before class time on the date they are due.

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Grading Policy

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More information on UF grading policy may be found at:
http://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/content.php?catoid=10&navoid=2020#grades

Students Requiring Accommodations
Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565,
It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

**Course Evaluation**

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at [https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/](https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/).

Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via [https://ufl.bluer.com/ufl/](https://ufl.bluer.com/ufl/). Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at [https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/](https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/).

**University Honesty Policy**

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code." On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied:

*On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.*

The Honor Code ([https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/](https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/)) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

**Software Use**

All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate. We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to uphold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

**Student Privacy**

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: [http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html](http://registrar.ufl.edu/catalog0910/policies/regulationferpa.html)
**Campus Resources:**

**Health and Wellness**

**U Matter, We Care:**
If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352 392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

**Counseling and Wellness Center:** [http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc](http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc), and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.

**Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)**
Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

**University Police Department** at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or [http://www.police.ufl.edu/](http://www.police.ufl.edu/).

**Academic Resources**

**E-learning technical support**, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to Learning-support@ufl.edu. [https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml](https://lss.at.ufl.edu/help.shtml)

**Career Resource Center**, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. [https://www.crc.ufl.edu/](https://www.crc.ufl.edu/).

**Library Support**, [http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask](http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask). Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

**Teaching Center**, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. [https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/](https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/).


**Student Complaints Campus**: [https://www.dso.ufl.edu/documents/UF_Complaints_policy.pdf](https://www.dso.ufl.edu/documents/UF_Complaints_policy.pdf)