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ABSTRACT

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Key words:

Technical guidelines; Chapter outline; Examples

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Tegniese vereistes, Voorgestelde Hoofstukke, Voorbeelde.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND/OR ACRONYMS

USB	University of Stellenbosch Business School
Etc	Insert Acronym Here

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 INTRODUCTION

This document serves to aid students in writing their honours projects / masters thesis in LaTeX. The document is to be used in conjunction with the guideline document as provided by the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science and which is included in the file named **Assignment Guideline**.

In our experience, many students experience difficulties with the formatting of their reports. It will save you time if your document is in the correct format from the beginning. This template is designed to assist you in writing a report in the correct format as required by the Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science (the Department). The document is written in the format required by the Department and aims to give some practical advice along the way. The headings in this, the first chapter, give the student an indication of the structure of a typical first chapter. Students can adapt these according to their reports, whether it is qualitative or quantitative and whether hypotheses are included. Note that the table of contents does not refer to itself, i.e. it is not an item within the table of contents. The tabs running up to the page numbers do not have any leader characters, i.e. dots.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

This section states the problem that you are exploring. You should, in this section also state the research question clearly. The difference between the research problem and research question is that the problem is broader, while the research question represents the “one question that you will answer at the end of your report”. The research question therefore is specific, concise, and clear. It is possible to expand the research question by using sub-questions.

1.3 CLARIFICATION OF KEY CONCEPTS

In this section you need to highlight the main concepts that are being used in your assignment. For example, in this particular document the concepts of “report”, “supervisor” etc. are being

discussed.

1.3.1 Report

The report is the product of the research assignment component of the US honours degree.

1.3.2 Supervisor

The supervisor is the person who will guide you in your research. This person is not your language editor or a research assistant.

1.3.3 Editor

An editor is a person who can help you to make sure your document is grammatically and technically correct. Some editors can also translate documents for you, or will comment on chapter or paragraph structure. You can also contact the University of Stellenbosch's Language Centre (<http://www0.sun.ac.za/taalsentrum/student-home.html>) for assistance in writing your report. They provide services from general writing skills through to editing services, the latter service for a fee.

1.3.3.1 Testing

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CHAPTER 2

USEFUL LATEX COMMANDS

2.1 TABLES

Here below is a preview of how a table will appear,

Table 2.1: Neural network data set

Name of Period	Number of Data Sets
Total data set	4998
Training data set	2820
Test data set	1473
Out-of-sample data set (validation set)	705

2.2 FIGURES

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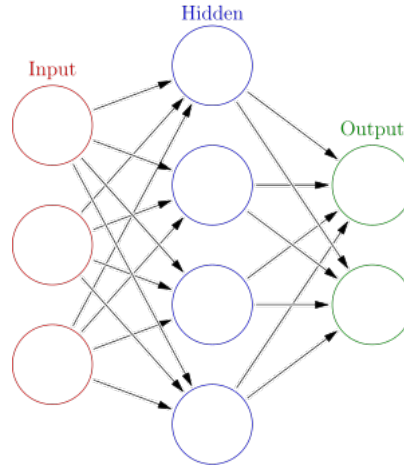


Figure 2.1: Neural Network Structure

2.3 WRITING A SINGLE EQUATION

$$e^{\pi i} + 1 = 0 \tag{2.1}$$

which is known as Euler's equation.

2.4 DISPLAYING LONG EQUATIONS

$$p(x) = 3x^6 + 14x^5y + 590x^4y^2 + 19x^3y^3 - 20x^4z^2 + 17x^2y^3z^4 + 19x^2y^3 - 20x^7z^2 \\ - 12x^2y^4 - 12xy^5 + 2y^6 - a^3b^3$$

2.5 ALIGNING SEVERAL EQUATIONS

$$2x - 5y = 8$$

$$3x + 9y = -12$$

$x = y$	$w = z$	$a = b + c$
$2x = -y$	$3w = \frac{1}{2}z$	$a = b$
$-4 + 5x = 2 + y$	$w + 2 = -1 + w$	$ab = cb$

2.6 GROUPING AND CENTERING EQUATIONS

$$2x - 5y = 8 \\ 3x^2 + 9y = 3a + c$$

2.7 POWERS & INDICES

Powers are inserted using the hat symbol. For example, n^2

Indices are inserted using an underscore $_$. For example, 2_a . If the power or index includes more than one character, group them using curly brackets \dots , e.g. b_{a-2} .

2.8 COMPLEX EXAMPLES

$$R^* = \underset{RR^t=I, \det(R)=1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^n \|RX_i - Y_i\|_2^2,$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \arctan(\sin(x^2)) = -2 \frac{\cos(x^2)x}{-2 + (\cos(x^2))^2}$$

Theorem 1 *If $F \in \mathcal{D}(G_\gamma)$ then the existence of a slowly varying function ℓ and a function d with $\pm d \in \mathcal{R}_0$ and $d(x) \rightarrow \gamma$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ is implied such that,*

$$\frac{U(ux) - U(x)}{a(x)} = \frac{1}{d(x)} \left(u^\gamma \frac{\ell(ux)}{\ell(x)} - 1 \right) \quad (2.2)$$

The following result is used namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\ell(ux) - \ell(x)}{a_2(x)\ell(x)} &\rightarrow c \cdot h_\rho(u), \quad \rho \leq 0 \text{ and } a_2 \in \mathcal{R}_\rho \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\ell(ux) - \ell(x)}{a_2(x)\ell(x)} \sim c \cdot h_\rho(u) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\ell(ux)}{\ell(x)} - 1 \sim a_2(x)c \cdot h_\rho(u) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{\ell(ux)}{\ell(x)} \sim a_2(x)c \cdot h_\rho(u) + 1 \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Substitute RHS of (2.3) into equation given in (2.2) which leads to,

$$\frac{U(ux) - U(x)}{a(x)} \sim \frac{1}{d(x)} (u^\gamma (a_2(x)c \cdot h_\rho(u) + 1) - 1) \quad (2.4)$$

As a final example, let us construct more complicated matrices and matricial expressions:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, we will show a first matricial expression:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and, here is another example, now using two kinds of vectors:

$$\begin{bmatrix} xz & xw \\ yz & yw \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} z & w \end{bmatrix}$$

2.10 GREEK LETTERS

Greek letters can be typed in math mode using the name of the letter preceded by a backslash. Many Greek capital letters are used in the Latin 25 alphabet — for those that are different capitalise the first letter of the name to produce a capital Greek letter. For example — α β δ , Δ θ , Θ μ π , Π σ , Σ ϕ , Φ ψ , Ψ ω , Ω

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(Beirlant *et al.*, 2006)

(Beirlant, Goegebeur, Segers and Teugels, 2006)

(Beirlant *et al.*, 2006, chap. 2)

(e.g. Beirlant *et al.*, 2006)

Beirlant *et al.*

Beirlant, Goegebeur, Segers and Teugels

2.11.1 Updating BibTeX file using Google Scholar

In order to use different in-text references the `biblist.bib` file should be updated to include the relevant citation. These entries into the `biblist` file can be obtained through Google Scholar using the following steps.

Step 1: Search for the necessary citation required. In this example the book *Statistics of Extremes* is used.

The screenshot shows the Google Scholar search interface. The search bar contains 'statistics of extremes' and shows 'About 643,000 results (0.05 sec)'. On the left, there are filters for 'Any time' (Since 2019, 2018, 2015, Custom range...), 'Sort by relevance' (Sort by date), and checkboxes for 'include patents' and 'include citations'. Two search results are visible:

- [BOOK] Statistics of extremes**
EJ Gumbel - 2012 - books.google.com
Universally acknowledged as the classic text about statistics of extremes, this volume is geared toward use by statisticians and statistically minded scientists and engineers. It employs elementary terms to explain applications, favors graphical procedures over ...
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- [BOOK] Statistics of extremes: theory and applications**
J Beirlant, Y Goegebeur, J Segers, JL Teugels - 2006 - books.google.com
Research in the statistical analysis of extreme values has flourished over the past decade: new probability models, inference and data analysis techniques have been introduced; and new application areas have been explored. Statistics of Extremes comprehensively covers a ...
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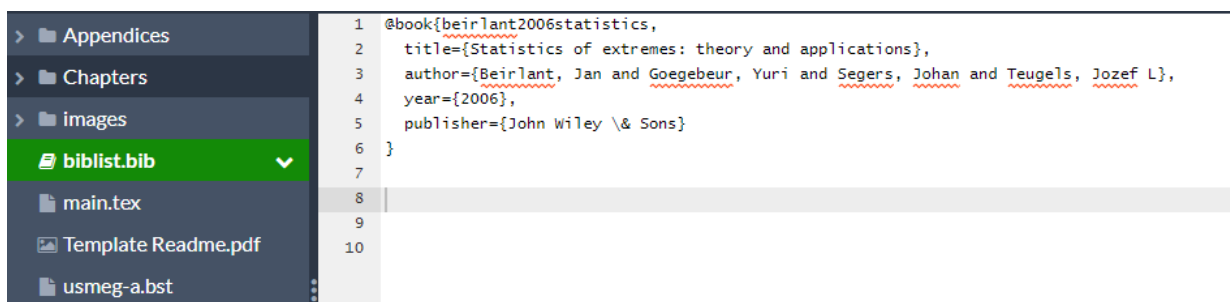
Step 2: Click on the quotation icon as shown below,

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Step 3: Click on the area labelled BibTeX as shown below,



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REFERENCES

Beirlant, J., Goegebeur, Y., Segers, J. and Teugels, J.L. (2006). *Statistics of extremes: theory and applications*. John Wiley & Sons.

APPENDIX A

QUESTIONNAIRE

This is how an appendix is given. It has a heading just like a chapter and title describing the appendix. Whenever it is referred to in the main section of the report, it is referred to as Appendix A.

This might include your questionnaire, feedback from respondents, maps, etc. If you have any figures or tables here, number them according to the appendix, e.g. Figure A.1 would be the first figure in Appendix A.

APPENDIX B
USB STYLE SHEETS