The use of Stata in Biostat Teaching

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Teaching Medical Statistics, Epidemiology with Stata



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Some History

Releases of Stata

- Version: 1.0-1.5, January 1985 February 1987
- Version: 2.0-2.1, June 1989 September 1990
- Version: 3.0-3.1, March 1992 August 1993
- Version: 4.0, January 1995
- Version: 5.0, October 1996
- Version: 6.0, January 1999
- Version: 7.0, December 2000
- Version: 8.0-8.2, October 2003
- Version: 9.0-9.2, April 2005
- Version: 10.0-10.1, June 2007

























Table 3: Stata 1.0 and Stata 1.1

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Stata 1.0 had int, long, float, and double variables; it did not have byte or str#.



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	Sample selection models	+	Box-Cox regression						
Variables		Multilevel mixed-effects models	•	Fractional polynomials					
		Generalized linear models	1	Quantile regre					
		Nonparametric analysis	•	 Errors-in-variables regression 	5	Number of $obs = 74$ F(1, 72) = 134,62			
		Time series	Frontier models Panel data	,		Prob > F = 0.0000			
		Multivariate time series	•				R-squared = 0.6515 Adj R-squared = 0.6467	- 0.6467	
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Version 1 - Version 2: Some Important Steps

- Survival Analysis, Kaplan-Meier estimate and Cox regression was implemented in its basic form in Version 2.
- The first Stata book was Statistics with Stata, from L. Hamilton Teaching of Statistics with Stata, or of Stata itself, has never been the first concern of Stata's developers, who see Stata as primarily software for research, but there has been always been strong and positive support for people who write texts linked to Stata (A quote from Nick Cox)
- The release of Stataques: the "student" statistical package, where the first version of the menu system was incorporated. Lawrence Hamilton suggested a "statistical calculator" in the program to take advantage of the "immediate" commands,



Version 3: much added

- logistic, ologit, oprobit, clogit, mlogit
- tobit, cnreg, rreg, qreg, weibull, ereg
- epitab
- weights reconsidered: pweights
- mvreg, sureg, heckman, nlreg, areg, canon
- nbreg
- constrained linear regression
- ml (first version)
- codebook



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Version 3: Epitab, a friend for epidemiologists

- Cohort studies
 - ir & iri
 - cs & csi
- Case control studies
 - cc & cci
 - tabodds
 - mhodds
- Matched Case control studies
 - cc & cci
 - tabodds
 - mhodds



Version 4 - Version 5

- Stata marries Windows
- Mac version released
- Stata.com
- glm
- xt commands introduced
- st package



Version 6

- web aware (use http://, updating, etc.)
- st rewritten



Version 7

- frailty
- cluster analysis
- roc
- Stata for MAC OS X
- Windowed UNIX
- An Introduction to Survival Analysis using Stata



Version 8

- graphics
- extended GUI, dialog boxes available for all commands
- gllamm



Version 9 - Version 10

- xtmixed
- mata
- improved do editor
- graphic editor
- exact methods
- opwer calculation



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Key textbooks

- Regression with graphics (Hamilton)
- A short introduction to Stata for Biostatistics (Hill and De Stavola): *effmenu*
- Medical Statistics (Kirkwood, Sterne)
- An Introduction to Stata for Health Researchers (Juul)
- An handbook of Statistical analysis using Stata (Rabe-Hesketh, Everitt)
- Statistical modeling for biomedical researchers (Dupont)



Key web: http://www.ats.ucla.edu/stat/stata/



University supporting teaching of Medical Statistics with Stata

- UCLA
- Harvard University, School of Public Health
- John Hopkins, School of Public Health
- Karolinska Institutet, Medical Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Medical Statistics Unit
- Too many others to list



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Advantage of Stata

- Simple
- Direct
- Fast
- Affordable
- Fun to learn and to apply



Applied Statistics

- Introductory Statistics (summarize, tabulate, tabstat)
- Categorical Data Analysis (epitab, standardization, kappa, logistic)
- Analysis of Prospective Studies (epitab, poisson)
- Longitudinal Data Analysis (xtmixed)
- Survival Analysis (st,sttoc)



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Statistics

- Mata
- Programming
- Simulation
- Bootstrapping



Suggestions for Graduate teaching of Biostatistics

- Discrete Survival Time
- Score Test
- Complete longitudinal procedure







