

STA 304H1 S/1003H S, WINTER 2014
SURVEYS, SAMPLING AND OBSERVATIONAL DATA

Time: W 1-3, F 1-2, place HS 610, web-site: on Portal.

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Textbook: Scheaffer, Mendenhall, Ott: Elementary Survey Sampling (Seventh ed.).

Useful but not required: Lohr: Sampling: Design and Analysis.

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1. Sampling problems and notions (Ch 2), recommended exercises: 1-7, 28.
2. Basic concepts (Ch 3). Exercises: 2-8, 21.
3. Simple random sampling (Ch 4; 4.6 is not covered), exercises: 1, 2, 14-17, 18a, 20, 21, 23-28, 36, 38, 41, 42.
4. Stratified random sampling (Ch 5; 5.10, 5.11 are not covered), exercises: 1-3, 5-8, 12-17, 24, 26, 27.
5. Ratio, regression, and difference estimation (Ch 6; 6.5 is not covered), exercises: 1, 2, 6, 9, 16, 23, 26, 27.
6. Systematic sampling (Ch 7), exercises: 3, 4, 8, 21, 25, 27.
7. Cluster sampling (Ch 8; 8.8 is not covered), exercises: 2-5, 8, 9, 16, 17, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27.
8. Two-stage cluster sampling (Ch 9), exercises: 2-4, 6, 9, 10, 14-16.
9. Supplemental topics, nonsampling errors (Ch 11.1, 11.2, 11.4, 11.8 are covered), exercises: 1, 13, 14.

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