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EMPIRICAL STUDY AND FORECASTING (I)

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Friday 19:30-21:20

- Class Webpage: http://ccms.ntu.edu.tw/~luohm/metrics2006f_emea/metrics2006f_emea.htm
- Textbooks:
 - (SW) Stock and Watson (2006), *Introduction to Econometrics*, Addison Wesley, 2nd edition.
- Other Reference:
 - (W) Wooldridge (2006), *Introductory Econometrics— A Modern Approach*, 3rd edition, South-Western College Publishing.
- Classes:
 - 9/22, 29,
 - 10/13, 20, 27,
 - 11/3, 10,
 - 11/17, **midterm**
 - 11/24,
 - 12/1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 - 1/5
 - 1/12, **final**.
- Grade: problem sets 20%, midterm 35%, final 45%.

- Topics:
 1. Economic Questions and Data (**SW 1**)
 - Questions
 - Data
 2. Review of Probability (**SW 2**)
 - Distributions
 - Random Sampling and Distribution of the Sample Average
 - Large-Sample Approximations
 3. Review of Statistics (**SW 3**)
 - Estimation of the Population Mean
 - Hypothesis Tests
 - Confidence Intervals
 4. Bivariate Regression (**SW 4, SW 5**)
 - Probability Framework
 - Estimation and hypothesis testing
 - Homoskedasticity
 5. Multiple Regression (**SW 6, SW 7**)
 - Omitted variable bias
 - Multiple regression model
 6. Nonlinear Regression Models (**SW 8**)
 - Modeling nonlinear regression functions
 - Interactions between independent variables
 7. Assessing Regression Studies (**SW 9**)
 - Internal and external validity
 - Threats to internal validity
 8. Panel Data (**SW 10**)
 - Panel data with two periods
 - Fixed effects regression
 9. Binary Dependent Variable Models (**SW 11**)
 - Linear Probability Model
 - Probit and Logit Models