Machine Learning and Predictive Models
Why Attend
Predictive models have become accessible to all users with the advancement of technology. This course offers a complete overview of supervised Machine Learning algorithms, and their role in the enhancement of predictions in most industries and by most organizations.

This course covers all models utilized under different technologies (SAS, Statistica and SPSS), enabling participants to become expert practitioners by evaluating and selecting appropriate solutions with suitable technical packages for their organizations.

Course Methodology
This course includes interactive discussion and the use of exercises and case studies. Each Machine Learning algorithm is supported by its own case study with step by step outputs that go in parallel with its multi stage analysis. All algorithms are detailed with sequential screen shot applications on comparative technologies such as SPSS, SAS, Statistica and Excel.

Course Objectives
By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the true meaning of Machine Learning
- Comprehend the key differences between Data Analysis and Machine Learning
- Apply testing and validating samples into Machine Learning models
- Submit an overview of the best analytic solutions
- Implement fine tuned estimation with complete predictive models

Target Audience
Any level of professional interested in how Machine Learning can assist their organization, would benefit from this course. These include professionals from industries including, but not limited to, banking, insurance, retail, government, manufacturing, healthcare, telecom, and airlines.

Target Competencies
- Predictive Analysis
- Predictive Models
- Data Analysis
- Data Analytic Models

Course Outline
- Data Analysis and Simple Regression
  - Introduction to Data Analysis Logic
  - Testing two groups on their means and proportions
  - Profiling two groups in one single chart
  - Testing multiple groups on their means and proportions
  - Profiling multiple groups in one single chart
  - Simple regression
  - Regression vs. Correlation
  - Sensitivity analysis of quantitative variables

- Multiple and Logistic Regressions
  - Introduction to Machine Learning
  - The Gradient Descent logic
  - Multiple Regression vs. Simple Regression
  - Variability analysis for estimations
  - Dummy variables
○ Similarities and differences between Logistic and Multiple regressions
○ Simplifying complex models
○ Stepwise regression

• Discriminant Analysis
  ○ Optimized Profiling
  ○ Two-Group Discriminant Function
  ○ Attribution of Cases
  ○ Model Evaluation
  ○ Classification Functions
  ○ Mahalanobis Squared Distances
  ○ Probability Method
  ○ Model’s Reduction
  ○ Generalized Discriminant Analysis

• Decision Trees
  ○ What are Decision Trees?
  ○ Binary Trees
  ○ Quality of a decision tree
  ○ Rules of pruning
  ○ CART: Classification Tree
  ○ CART: Regression Tree
  ○ CHAID tree
  ○ Random Forest tree

• Nearest Neighbor, Bayesian, Neural Network and Deep Learning
  ○ Conditional probabilities
  ○ Prediction by probabilities
  ○ Distance from neighbors
  ○ K nearest distances from neighbors
  ○ Weights in a Neural Network model
  ○ Hidden layers role
  ○ Neural Network pros and cons
  ○ Deep Learning
  ○ Introduction to Big Data
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Meirc Timeline

- 2018: Meirc celebrates its 60th anniversary
- 2015: Meirc relocates to its newly acquired HQ office in Bay Square, Business Bay, Dubai
- 2014: Meirc adds PLUS Specialty Training, a new division providing technical and industry-specific courses
- 2007: Meirc opens an office in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- 2004: Meirc opens an office in Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 1997: Meirc is the 1st training company in the region to have its own website
- 1991: Meirc becomes headquartered in Dubai, UAE
- 1988: Meirc celebrates its 30th anniversary with its advisory committee (Aramco, Bapco, KOC, QPC)
- 1967: Meirc builds its own office building in Beirut
- 1958: Meirc is founded in Beirut by the late Simon Siksek

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