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International Symposium on Contemporary Multivariate Analysis and Its Applications
May 19–22, 1997
Hong Kong

In recent years there has been an explosive development of new statistical theories, methods and applications. Multivariate analysis has expanded to include non-normal, nonlinear and nonparametric models. Moreover, computing technology has facilitated the development of Bayesian methods, graphical methods and resampling.

In 1997 experts in various fields will come to Hong Kong to discuss the latest advances in contemporary multivariate analysis. This symposium will focus on both new theories and methods as well as the applications arising in economics, finance, industry, medicine, science and social science. The interdisciplinary nature of the symposium will provide researchers from different fields an opportunity to discuss their recent work and unsolved problems. As was the case during our previous symposium in 1992 participants will be able to establish valuable contacts with others from all over the world – contacts that are increasingly easy to maintain through email and the internet.

The symposium is sponsored by Hong Kong Baptist University, the Bernoulli Society and the Institute of Mathematical Statistics. It will be followed by one or two workshops on May 24. The International Program Committee will invite a number of distinguished speakers to address the symposium. The program will also include contributed papers. Selected papers will be published in a refereed proceedings.

International Program Committee:
P. J. Bickel (Berkeley), K. T. Fang (Hong Kong Baptist U), Y. Fujikoshi (Hiroshima U), P. Hall (Australian National U), I. Olkin (Stanford U), W. H. Wong (Chinese U of Hong Kong).

As a fusion of the Oriental and Western cultures Hong Kong is an exciting metropolis of more than 6 million people. The year 1997 is very important for Hong Kong because of its return to China on July 1. Come join us and observe this city in transition.

The registration fee is US $250 for the symposium and US $50 for the workshop. Those interested should request the second announcement, which will contain information on registration, accommodation, and submission of abstracts. The deadline for registration and submission of abstracts is January 15, 1997.

Local Organising Committee in Hong Kong:
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SPA'97
24th International Conference on Stochastic Processes and Their Applications
June 16–20, 1997
Viña del Mar (Chile)

The 24th Conference on Stochastic Processes and Their Applications will take place at the Convention Center Gala in Viña del Mar. It is organized by the U. Católica de Chile, in conjunction with the U. de Chile, U. de Santiago de Chile and the U. Católica de Valparaíso, under the auspices of the Sociedad de Matemática de Chile and the Bernoulli Society.

The Programme Committee consists of L. Accardi (Rome), T. Hida (Japan), L. Gorostiza (Mexico), T. Kurtz (USA), P. Protter (USA), C. Heyde (Canberra), C. Dellachérie (Rouen), A. Galves (Sao Paulo), L. Arnold (Bremen), A.N. Shiryaev (Moscow), R. Rebolledo (Santiago, chair).
The Local Organizing Committee includes R. Rebolledo (chair), J. San Martín (secretary), G. Bobadilla, E. Saavedra, R. Fierro, F. Quintana and R. Allende.

The scientific programme will consist of invited lectures and fifteen–minutes contributed talks.

Invited speakers (tentatively):
G. Ben Arous, D. Dawson, P. Imkeller, H.H. Kuo, V. Pérez-Abreu, E. Platen, M. Sanz, D. Talay, V. Bogachev, F. Fagnola, C. Fernandez, P. Ferrari, E. Olivieri, S. Janson, R. Lyons, S. Martinez, R. Williams, J.A. Yan.

The second announcement for the meeting will be mailed in November 1996. It will contain information on registration, accommodation, contributed talks and social events.

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ISI'97
51st Biennial Session of the ISI
August 18–27, 1997
Istanbul (Turkey)

The 51st Session of ISI will be held at the Lütfü Kırdar (LK) Istanbul International Congress Center and the Military Museum Cultural Center in Istanbul. These centers are next to each other and are located right at the heart of the Istanbul conference valley.

The BS Programme Committee consists of:
Y. Ogata (Chair), E. Arjas, N. Cressie, L.R. Pericchi Guerra, F. Pukelsheim, J.F.C. Wu and J.-A. Yan.

During the Beijing meeting the decision was taken that the ISI meeting will last about one week, but several invited sessions will take place in parallel. Therefore, the number of invited paper meetings is no longer limited to 31, and there will be no Special Topic Contribution Paper Meetings.

The ISI Programme Coordinating Committee has finalized the titles of the 66 invited topics. Among these the Bernoulli Society is to arrange the following (organizers are in brackets)

BS Invited Papers Sessions:

1. Recent advances in probability theory and stochastic analysis. (D. Nualart, Spain)
2. Stochastic models in finance.
(C. Klüppelberg, Germany)
3. Analysis of random points and shapes.
(W. Kendall, UK)
4. Successful applications of time series analysis in sciences. (G. Kitagawa, Japan)
5. Statistics in geophysics and astronomy.
(P. Stark, USA)
6. Bayesian approaches to model selection and prediction. (L.R. Pericchi, Venezuela)
7. Image analysis, including applications in biomedicine. (joint with IASE and IASC)
(K. Worsley, Canada)
8. Computationally intensive methods of estimation (incl. MCMC) (joint with IASC)
(C. Geyer, USA)
9. Simulation of stochastic processes in engineering. (joint with ISI) (E. Çinlar, Turkey/USA)
10. Likelihood and geometry.
(P. Blæshild, Denmark)
11. Coupling. (H. Thorisson, Iceland)
12. Nonlinear dynamics and statistics.
(C. Cutler, Canada)

The Bernoulli Society also has a share in the following Invited Papers Sessions of ISI and other Sections:

1. Applications of longitudinal data analysis in sample surveys and official statistics.
(A.J. Scott, New Zealand)
2. Merging and mixing two or more stochastic processes: index and indicator series.
(I. Sahin, Turkey/USA)
3. Mathematical statisticians in official statistics. (Tim Holt, UK)
4. Environment: spatial & temporal modelling, climate change and the greenhouse effect.
(V. Barnett, UK)
5. Modern experimental designs and their use in agriculture. (Linda Haines, South Africa)
6. Statistical and computational methods in genetics. (M. Baur, Germany)
7. Latent variable models.
(P. van der Heijden, The Netherlands)
8. Statistical models for aging populations.
(A. Ferligej, Slovenia, and A. Yashin, Denmark).
9. Difficulties in meta–analysis.
(Tom Louis, USA)
10. Statistical challenges in observational epidemiology. (Annette Dobson, Australia)
11. Research and teaching of probability and statistics in the physical sciences.
(David Vere-Jones, New Zealand, and Edward C. Waymire, USA)
12. Imputation and missing values.
(D. Rubin, USA)
13. Computer networks and new directions for statistical applications. (F. Murtagh, Ireland)

The following satellite meeting will be held after the ISI Session.

Mathematical Statistics and Its Applications to Biosciences
August 31–September 4, 1997
Rostock (Germany)

Unfortunately, E. Jolivet has resigned from the chair of the Programme Committee. It has been taken over by Dieter Rasch (Wageningen). Further members of the Committee are:
Peter Diggle (Lancaster), Niels Keiding (Copenhagen), Catherine Laredo (Paris), Enno Mammen (Heidelberg), Stephan Morgenthaler (Lausanne).

Sessions are planned on the following topics:
Selection Procedures, Optimization in Statistics, Sequential Experimentation, Planning Experiments, Growth Curve Analysis, Nonparametric Estimation, Bayesian Statistics, Statistical Graphs, Markov Chains – Monte Carlo, Population Genetics, Animal and Plant Production, Spatial and Environmental Statistics, Clinical Trials, Pharmacokinetics and -dynamics, Large Deviations, Change Points, and Forensic Statistics.

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EYSM'97
10th European Young Statisticians Meeting
August 18–22, 1997
Warsaw (Poland)

Local Organizing Committee: Agata Boratynska, Witold Florczak (chairman), Przemysław Grzegorzewski, Marcin Kotulski, Barbara Krug.

The European Young Statisticians Meetings, patronized by the Bernoulli Society, are a series of conferences for young researchers, who are younger than 30 years, or have two to eight years research experience and are chosen by invitation in a uniformly distributed way from all European Countries. The main idea of the EYSM is to create the base of research–cooperation between young statisticians, and introduce young researchers to the international scene within a broad subject area - from pure probability theory to applied statistics.

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Recent Advances in Statistics and Probability
December 28–31, 1997
Calcutta (India)

This is a joint international conference of the Bernoulli Society and the Indian Statistical Institute.

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