

Conference Program

Sunday, July 7

(A) Multivariate Moment-Related Inequalities

Chair: Ingram Olkin, Stanford University

8:30 - 9:10 *On the Multi-Dimensional Moment Problem*

J. H. B. Kemperman, Rutgers University

9:10 - 9:50 *Inequalities on Probabilities and Expectations Based on the Knowledge of Multivariate Moments*

András Prékopa, Rutgers University

9:50 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 - 10:20 Coffee

(B) Inequalities in Probability

Chair: Sheldon M. Ross, University of California at Berkeley

10:20 - 11:00 *Inequalities for Rare Events in Time Reversible Markov Chains*

David J. Aldous, University of California at Berkeley
and Mark Brown*, City College, CUNY

11:00 - 11:40 *Partitioning Inequalities in Probability and Statistics*

Theodore P. Hill, Georgia Institute of Technology

11:40 - 11:50 Discussion

(C) Applications of Inequalities, I

Chair: J. George Shanthikumar, University of California at Berkeley

1:30 - 2:10 *Comparing Two Groups of Ranked Objects by Matching Pairs*

Herbert A. David* and Jingyu Liu, Iowa State University

2:10 - 2:50 *Applications of $\mu(F)$, $\lambda(F)$ Inequalities*

Chris Dorado* and Myles Hollander, Florida State University

2:50 - 3:00 Discussion

3:00 - 3:20 Coffee

(D) Inequalities in Multivariate Analysis

Chair: Morris L. Eaton, University of Minnesota

3:20 - 4:00 *The Multivariate Correlation Inequality and Unbiased Tests*

Arthur Cohen* and Harold B. Sackrowitz, Rutgers University

4:00 - 4:40 *Concentration Inequalities for Multivariate Distributions*

Morris L. Eaton, University of Minnesota

and Michael D. Perlman*, University of Washington

4:40 - 4:50 Discussion

8:00 - 10:00 **Wine and Cheese Reception**
Patio - McMahon Hall

Monday, July 8

(E) Inequalities in Reliability Theory, I

Chair: Mark Brown, City College, CUNY

8:30 - 9:10 *Optimal Allocations in Additive Exponential Systems*
Sheldon Ross, University of California at Berkeley

9:10 - 9:50 *Stochastic Comparisons for Maintenance Policies*
Henry W. Block*, University of Pittsburgh,
Naftali A. Langberg, University of Haifa
and Thomas H. Savits, University of Pittsburgh

9:50 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 - 10:20 Coffee

(F) Univariate Moment-Related Inequalities

Chair: Yosef Rinott, University of California at San Diego

10:20 - 11:00 *Orderings Arising from Expected Extremes,
with an Application*
Peter J. Downey and Robert S. Maier*,
University of Arizona

11:00 - 11:40 *Skewness and Kurtosis Orderings*
Barry C. Arnold, University of California at Riverside

11:40 - 11:50 Discussion

(G) Extremal Problems and Covariance Inequalities

Chair: Michael D. Perlman, University of Washington

1:30 - 2:10 *Extremal Problems for Probability Distributions*
Lutz Mattner, University of Hamburg

2:10 - 2:50 *Covariances of Symmetric Statistics*
Richard A. Vitale, University of Connecticut

2:50 - 3:00 Discussion

3:00 - 3:20 Coffee

(H) Stochastic Orderings and Multivariate Majorization

Chair: Elja Arjas, University of Oulu

3:20 - 4:00 *Towards a Theory of Stochastic Functions
with Applications to Stochastic Optimization*

J. George Shanthikumar, University of California at Berkeley

4:00 - 4:40 *Multivariate Majorization by Positive Combinations*Harry Joe, University of British Columbia
and Joseph S. Verducci*, Ohio State University

4:40 - 4:50 Discussion

Tuesday, July 9**(I) Optimal Stopping–Related Inequalities**

Chair: David Gilat, Tel Aviv University

8:30 - 9:10 *Optimal Stopping Values and Prophet Inequalities
for Negatively Dependent Random Variables*Yosef Rinott, University of California at San Diego
and Ester Samuel-Cahn*, Hebrew University9:10 - 9:50 *Secretary Problems As a Source of Benchmark Bounds*

Stephen M. Samuels, Purdue University

9:50 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 -10:30 Group Picture

10:30 -10:50 Coffee

(J) New Research Problems and Informal Presentations

Chair: Henry W. Block, University of Pittsburgh

10:50 - 11:50 Presenters:

Frans A. Boshuizen, Vrije Universiteit

Jiann–Hua Lou, National University of Singapore

Donald Richards, University of Virginia

Halong Zhu, University of Arizona

Afternoon: Open

Wednesday, July 10

(K) Convexity-Related and Majorization Inequalities

Chair: Albert W. Marshall, University of British Columbia

8:30 - 9:10 *Hyperbolic-Concave Functions and the
Hardy-Littlewood Maximal Function*

Robert P. Kertz*, Georgia Institute of Technology
and Uwe Rösler, University of Göttingen

9:10 - 9:50 *Generalized Majorization Orderings and Applications*
Harry Joe, University of British Columbia

9:50 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 - 10:20 Coffee

(L) Matrix-Related Inequalities

Chair: J. H. B. Kemperman, Rutgers University

10:20 - 11:00 *Correlation and Permanental Inequalities and
Matrix Majorization*

Yosef Rinott* and Michael Saks
University of California at San Diego

11:00 - 11:40 *Matrix Extremes and Related Stochastic Bounds*
Donald R. Jensen, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
State University

11:40 - 11:50 Discussion

(M) Dependence-Related Inequalities, I

Chair: Philip J. Boland, University College Dublin

1:30 - 2:10 *Applications of Dependence to Burn-In*
Henry W. Block, J. Mi, and Thomas H. Savits*,
University of Pittsburgh

2:10 - 2:50 *Extreme Order Statistics for a Sequence of
Dependent Random Variables*
Joseph Glaz, University of Connecticut

2:50 - 3:00 Discussion

3:00 - 3:20 Coffee

(N) Applications of Inequalities, II

Chair: Samuel Kotz, University of Maryland

3:20 - 4:00 *On Dynamic Forms of Probabilistic Causality*

Elja Arjas, University of Oulu

4:00 - 4:40 *A Multivariate Stochastic Ordering by the Mixed Descending Factorial Moments with Applications*

Claude Lefèvre, University of Brussels

and Philippe Picard, University of Lyon

4:40 - 4:50 Discussion

7:00 Salmon Barbecue

Terrace - McMahon Hall

Thursday, July 11**(O) Comparison of Experiments and Information Inequalities**

Chair: Erik N. Torgensen, University of Oslo

8:30 - 9:10 *A Group Action on Covariances with Applications to the Comparison of Linear Normal Experiments*

Morris L. Eaton, University of Minnesota

9:10 - 9:50 *Comparison of Experiments Based on Dependent Random Variables*

Moshe Shaked*, University of Arizona

and Y. L. Tong, Georgia Institute of Technology

9:50 - 10:00 Discussion

10:00 - 10:20 Coffee

(P) Dependence-Related Inequalities, II

Chair: Thomas H. Savits, University of Pittsburgh

10:20 - 11:00 *Lower Bounds on Multivariate Distributions with Preassigned Marginals*

Samuel Kotz*, University of Maryland

and Joshua Seeger, BBN Communications

11:00 - 11:40 *Dependence of Stable Random Variables*

Mei-Ling Lee*, Harvard University,

Svetlozar T. Rachev, University of California at Santa Barbara

and Gennady Samorodnitsky, Cornell University

11:40 - 11:50 Discussion

(Q) Inequalities in Reliability Theory, II

Chair: Y. L. Tong, Georgia Institute of Technology

1:30 - 2:10 *A Study of the Role of Modules in the Failure of Systems*

E. El-Newehi, University of Illinois at Chicago Circle

and J. Sethuraman*, Florida State University

2:10 - 2:50 *Stochastic Inequalities for a Redundancy Enhancement
to a Series or Parallel System*

Philip J. Boland, University College Dublin

2:50 - 3:00 Discussion

3:00 - 3:20 Coffee

(R) Applications of Inequalities, III

Chair: Moshe Shaked, University of Arizona

3:20 - 4:00 *Some Statistical Applications of Stochastic Inequalities*

Allan R. Sampson, University of Pittsburgh

4:00 - 4:40 *Orderings for Capacities and Their Applications*

Marco Scarsini, University of Rome

4:40 - 4:50 Discussion