

# FINAL AGENDA

Fifteenth Army Conference on Applied Statistics

Arizona State University

21-23 October 2009

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## **Monday, October 19**

0800 – 0830 Registration (MU 228 Cochise)  
0830 – 1200 Tutorial

*Categorical Data Analysis*  
Brian Marx, Louisiana State University

1200 – 1300 Lunch  
1300 – 1600 Tutorial

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## **Tuesday, October 20**

0830 – 1200 Tutorial (MU 085 Union Stage)

*Categorical Data Analysis*  
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1200 – 1300 Lunch  
1300 – 1600 Tutorial

1830 – Social and Registration (MU 201A Starlight Terrace)

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## **Wednesday, October 21**

0745 – 0815 Registration (MU 220 Turquoise)

0815 – 0830 Call to Order (MU 230 Pima)

Barry Bodt, Conference Chair, U.S. Army Research Laboratory

Welcome:

Douglas C. Montgomery, Professor of Industrial & Management Systems  
Engineering, Arizona State University

**Wednesday, October 21 (continued)**

0830 – 0915 General Session I (Keynote Address) (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: Karen Kafadar, Indiana University

*Combinatorial Stochastic Processes and Bayesian Nonparametrics*  
Michael Jordan, UC Berkeley

0915 – 0930 Break

0930 – 1100 Special Session I (Text and Data Mining with Applications) (MU 230 Pima)

Organizers: Edward J. Wegman and Yasmin Said, George Mason University  
Chair: Edward J. Wegman, George Mason University

*Text Data Mining for Better Understanding of the Science and Technology Landscape*  
Jeffrey L. Solka, Nick Tucey\* and Avory Bryant, Naval Surface Warfare Center

*Feature Selection for Complex Systems*  
George Runger, Arizona State University and Eugene Tuv, Intel Corporation

*Approaches to Text Mining that Preserve Semantic Content*  
Yasmin Said, George Mason University

1100 – 1115 Break

1115 – 1215 Contributed Session I (*Parallel Session*) (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: Francisco J. Samaniego, UC Davis

*Graph Theoretical Methods for Cluster Verification*  
Bernard Harris, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Image Fusion and the Method of Paired Comparisons: Experiments, Evaluation, and Open Questions*  
Murray Loew, George Washington University, & James Bonick and Clarence Walters,  
U.S. Army Night Vision and Electronic Sensors Directorate, Ft. Belvoir

1115 – 1215 Contributed Session II (*Parallel Session*) (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: Wei-Yin Loh, University of Wisconsin-Madison

*Comparison of Prediction Accuracy of Surrogate Models Developed Using Nested Latin Hypercube Designs - "How Many Simulation Experiments Do I Need to Run?"*  
Tom Donnelly, SAS Institute Inc.

**Wednesday, October 21 (continued)**

*Regression-Based Inverse Distance Weighting with Applications to Computer Experiments*

V. Roshan Joseph and Lulu Kang (presenter), Georgia Institute of Tech.

1215 – 1315 Lunch

1315 – 1445 Special Session II (Army Challenges for Statistics) (MU 230 Pima)

Organizers: COL Andrew Glen and COL Rodney Sturdivant, United States Military Academy

Chair: COL Rodney Sturdivant, United States Military Academy

*An Accumulate-toward-the-Mode Approach to Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis Tests and an Application to Binomially Distributed Data*

Dwayne Nuzman, U.S. Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity

*Confidence Interval Methodology for Ratio Means (CIM4RM)*

John Nierwinski, Jr., U.S. Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity

*Periodic Spatio-Temporal Improvised Explosive Device Attack Pattern Analysis*

MAJ Matthew Benigni, United States Military Academy and Reinhard Furrer, Colorado School of Mines

1445 – 1500 Break

1500 – 1630 Contributed Session III (*Parallel Session*) (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: Art Fries, Institute for Defense Analyses

*The Joint Signature of Systems with Shared Components*

Francisco J. Samaniego, UC Davis

*Overview of Modeling and Analyzing Complex System Reliability Using the Los Alamos Developed Software Tool, SRFYDO*

Christine M. Anderson-Cook, Los Alamos National Laboratory

*Bayesian Reliability Analysis: The Concept of Borrowing Power*

David King, Charles A. Pace, and Allan T. Mense (Raytheon Missile Systems), Gary Glover and Benny Phillips (Tinker Air Force Base)

*Bayesian Reliability Analysis: A Tool for the Analyst*

Allan T. Mense, David King, and Charles A. Pace (Raytheon Missile Systems), Benny Phillips and Garry Glover (Tinker Air Force Base)

**Wednesday, October 21 (continued)**

1500 – 1630 Contributed Session IV (*Parallel Session*) (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: Lee Dewald, Virginia Military Institute

*An Approach to Corroborating the Impact of Recruit Quality and Recruiting Mission on Resource Requirements*

Robert Clemence, Jeremy Heusner, Robert Love, Raissa Nourieva, and Meredith Sachs, Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc.

*Assessing Management and Statistical Risks in the OCONUS Immersion Experiment with Variations of Cohen's  $d$  (effect size) as a Tool for Decision-making*  
Raymond T. Mirikitani, Defense Language Institute

*Mine Clearing Efficiency Analysis*

Rebecca E. Wentz, U.S. Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity

1830 -- 2100 Wilks Award Banquet (MU 241A Ventana)

1830 – Social

1930 – Dinner

2015 – Banquet Address

Sarah Braden, ASU, School of Earth and Space Exploration

2045 – Wilks Award

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**Thursday, October 22**

0830 – 0915 General Session II (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: COL Andrew Glen

*Graphical Data Explorations of Very Large Databases: the ASA Data Expo 2009*  
Heike Hofmann, Iowa State University

0915 – 0930 Break

0930 – 1100 Contributed V (*Parallel Session*) (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: Allan Mense, Raytheon Missile Systems

*Robust Estimation of Mixtures of Heavy-tailed Distributions*

A. M. Santos, IBM and UC-Denver and Karen Kafadar, Indiana University

*Information Exchange Between Complex Networks*

Bruce J. West, U.S. Army Research Office

**Thursday, October 22 (continued)**

*Optimizing Computer Networks for Robustness and Efficiency*

Edward J. Wegman (George Mason), Hadi Rezazad (Orchidtech Technology and Management), and Roger W. Shores (U.S. Census Bureau)

0930 – 1100 Contributed VI (*Parallel Session*) (MU 202 Alumni Lounge)

Chair: Paul Deason, TRAC-WSMR (retired)

*Stochastic Modeling and Applications*

G.S. Ladde and Ling Wu, University of South Florida

*A Probabilistic Approach to Extracting Symbols from Blueprints*

Richard Warren and Robert S. Woodley, Century Systems, Inc.

*A Control-Stopping Differential Game for Stochastic Systems with Memory*

Mou-Hsiung (Harry) Chang, U.S. Army Research Office

1100 – 1115 Break

1115 – 1215 Contributed VII (*Parallel Session*) (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: Tom Donnelly, SAS Institute Inc.

*Statistical Issues in the Comparison of Multi-dimensional Profiles*

Karen Kafadar, Indiana University

*Conditional Logistic Modeling for Unbalanced Nested Case Control Studies with Bias Correction*

Yuanzhang Li, David Cowan, Natalya Weber, and David Niebuhr, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, and Robert Yolken Johns Hopkins University

1115 – 1215 Contributed VIII (*Parallel Session*) (MU 202 Alumni Lounge)

Chair: David Cruess, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

*General Orthogonal Solutions in Multivariate Regression*

Jerry Alderman and William C. Thomas, Raytheon Missile Systems

*Variable Selection in Nonparametric Regression with Very Many Noise Variables*

Wei-Yin Loh, University of Wisconsin-Madison

1215 – 1315 Lunch

**Thursday, October 22 (continued)**

1315 – 1415 Contributed IX (*Parallel Session*) (MU 220 Turquoise)

Chair: Charles White, Walter Reed Army Institute of Research

*Power Electronics System Compatibility Assessment using Statistical Design Methods*  
Sydney Lofton and William C. Thomas, Raytheon Missile Systems

*A Computer-Aided D-Optimal Design for Improving Ballistic Performance*  
David W. Webb and Brian M. Powers, U.S. Army Research Laboratory

1315 – 1415 Contributed X (*Parallel Session*) (MU 202 Alumni Lounge)

Chair: Mou-Hsiung (Harry) Chang, U.S. Army Research Office

*Length Bias in the Measurements of Carbon Nanotubes*  
Paul Kvam, Georgia Tech

*Laser Scanner Certification Study for Body Armor Back Face Deformation Measurement*

Barbara J. Gillich, W. Scott Walton, Craig Miser, Adam Fournier, Jeffrey Hosto, Jeffrey Huber, Ward Boughers, and Craig Andres, Aberdeen Test Center

1415 – 1430 Break

1430 – 1600 Special Session III (MU 220 Turquoise)

Organizers: Edward J. Wegman and Yasmin Said, George Mason University

Chair: Yasmin Said, George Mason University

*Beyond Correlation: Examining Causality with Agent-based Hypothesis Instantiation*  
Gary An, MD, Northwestern University

*Measures of Tipping Points, Robustness, and Path Dependence*  
Aaron Bramson, University of Michigan

*Combining ABM and Behavioral Experiments*  
Marco Janssen, Arizona State University

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**Friday, October 23**

0830 – 0915 General Session III (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: Barry Bodt, U.S. Army Research Laboratory

*Modern Experimental Design Methods*

Douglas C. Montgomery, Arizona State University

0915 – 0930 Break

0930 – 1030 Contributed Session XI (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: David Webb, U.S. Army Research Laboratory

*Predicting Linguists' Training Outcomes with Linear Regression Models Constructed Using a Single and Double Cross-validation Design*

Raymond T. Mirikitani, Defense Language Institute

*Oh Say Can You GEE: Analysis of Visual Acuity Data*

Robyn Lee, Brian Hatch, David Hilber, James Elledge, and James Stout , US Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine

1030 – 1045 Break

1045 – 1130 General Session IV (MU 230 Pima)

Chair: Robyn Lee, Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine

*Spinning Heads and Spinning News: the Use and Abuse of Statistics in the Media*

Rebecca Goldin, George Mason University

1130 Adjourn