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POMONA AREA MEETING

Who: Professor Dallas Johnson
Department of Statistics
Kansas State University

Topic: Multiplicative Interaction Models

When: Thursday, May 16, 1985
6.00 p.m. Social Hour
7.00 p.m. Dinner
8.00 p.m. Speaker

Where: The University House, California
Polytechnic State University, Pomona

Directions: Exit Kellogg Dr from the San Bernardino Fwy or Temple from 57 Fwy. Once on campus, proceed to the Administration Bldg at the corner of University Dr and Mansion Lane. Take Mansion Lane to the top of the hill where there is parking for the University House (the old Kellogg Mansion).

Price: \$10.00 Regular charge
\$ 8.00 Full-time students

Reservations: Call by Tuesday, May 14 one of the following:

Lydia Gans (714) 598-4421
Bob Newcomb (714) 856-5366
Holly Hartman (714) 382-2342

THE TOPIC

The multiplicative interaction model has been proposed as one method for analyzing cross-classified experiments which have been replicated. This talk will review the available techniques for non-replicated experiments including Tukey's "Single-Degree-of-Freedom for Nonadditivity" and Mandel's "Bundle of Straight Lines Model", as well as the "Multiplicative Interaction Model".

THE SPEAKER

Dr. Dallas Johnson is a Professor in the Department of Statistics and a Consultant in the Statistical Lab at Kansas State U. Dr. Johnson has considerable experience in statistical consulting in industrial engineering, agronomy, animal sciences, veterinary medicine, and business activities. He is a Fellow of the ASA, and a member of The Institute of Mathematical Statistics and the Biometric Society (ENAR). Dr. Johnson received his Ph.D from Colorado State University.

LOS ANGELES AREA MEETING

WHO: Professor Dallas Johnson
Department of Statistics
Kansas State University

Topic: A New Principal Components Type Analysis with an Application to Interpreting Multi-Spectral Reflectances

When: Friday, May 17, 1985
11.30 a.m. Lunch
1.00 p.m. Speaker

When: UCLA Faculty Center
Parking in Structure No.2 for \$2.00

Directions: The UCLA Faculty Center is at the northwest corner of Hilgard and Westholme. In case of a problem go to any parking kiosk on Campus.

Price: General - \$7.50
Full-time students - \$6.50

Reservations: Call any of the following by May 14:

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THE TOPIC

This paper proposes a new method for reducing the dimensionality of a multidimensional sample space. The procedure introduced here generalizes the Principal Components Analysis (PCA) and may help researchers to obtain components which can be interpreted more easily than components obtained from PCA or Factor Analysis. The procedure is applied to Spectral Reflectance data collected from crop plant canopies throughout a growing season.

(For a bio of the speaker, please refer to Pomona meeting).

THE RAND CORPORATION - STATISTICS SEMINAR SERIES

May 16- Prof. Carl Morris, Center for Statistical Science, University of Texas, Austin, on "An Empirical Bayes Approach to Spatial Analysis."

June 13 - Prof. Ingram Olkin, Dept of Statistics, Stanford University, on Modeling Bivariate Data".

Location- Main Conference Rm, Rand Corp, 1700 Main, Santa Monica

Refreshments: Will be served between 3:30 to 4 pm.
(Non-Rand people should go to the East Lobby across the street from Santa Monica City Hall. Someone will help you.)

LOS ANGELES AREA MEETING

Who: Dr. Janet Elashoff
UCLA Center for Ulcer Research and Education (CURE)

TOPIC: Interpreting the Results of Clinical Trials
When Some Outcome Events are Unobservable -
Can Modeling Help?

When: Thursday, May 23, 1985

6.00 p.m Social Hour
7.00 p.m Dinner
8.00 p.m Speaker

Where: UCLA Faculty Center

Price: \$12.50 (Prime-rib dinner)

Reservations: Call Mary Ann Hill (213)475-5700, or
Bob Newcomb (714) 856-5366

THE TOPIC

A drug company wished to establish that use of their drug for maintenance therapy of duodenal ulcer would prevent ulcer recurrences. If all recurrences were symptomatic, then the trial results can be analyzed by survival analysis methods. However, a majority of the observed recurrences in both the placebo and treated groups were asymptomatic or silent ulcers detected at routine endoscopies scheduled at 4 mos, 8 mos and a year. Does significant reduction in observed recurrences by the drug allow the conclusion that the drug prevents recurrence or could a higher fraction of ulcers have recurred, healed, and disappeared in the treated group?

The speaker will detail joint attempts by herself, Dr George Chi, and Dr. Gary Koch to resolve these questions through Markov chain modeling of the recurrence and healing processes.

THE SPEAKER

Dr Janet Elashoff is an Adjunct Professor of Biomathematics at the UCLA Center for Ulcer Research and Education. She received a B.S from Stanford and a Ph.D from Harvard, both in Statistics. Among her numerous honors include, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the ASA, and a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society. She has served on several national panels on biomedical research and has held positions on the Editorial Boards of prestigious journals. She is currently an Associate Editor of Biometrics.

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Washington D.C..... Is the "Star Wars" technology possible? Does the first child make a difference? What can supercomputers do? Does homophobia affect research on AIDS? What uses will be made of synthetic DNA? Should animals be used in research?

These are some of the questions to be discussed at the 151st national meeting of the AAAS, May 26-31 1985 in Los Angeles. Several thousand scientists, engineers, and others interested in science and technology are expected to attend the meeting which will be headquartered at the Westin Bonaventure and Los Angeles Hilton Hotels.

"Science and Engineering: Diversity and Convergence" will be the theme for the meeting, where over 160 symposia will feature recent advances on lasers, sign language and apes Halley's Comet, neuroscience, Hollywood and science, technology to aid the disabled, scientific freedom and national security, and hazardous wastes.

Nine public lectures dealing with popular aspects of science, a special day-long program of science symposia for young people, and the Science Film Festival, featuring some 50 of the best recent science films, will be included in the program. The AAAS Annual Meeting Exhibit will feature displays by scientific publishers, associations, corporations, and government agencies.

For further information call Joan Wrather (202) 467-5441. For a preliminary program see the March 8th, 1985 issue of SCIENCE, the weekly journal of the AAAS.

The American Association for the Advancement of Science, formed in 1848, is the leading general scientific organization in the United States. It currently boasts of some 136,000 members and approximately 285 affiliated scientific and engineering societies and academies of science.

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by
Edward R. Tufte

Extra copies of Dr. Tufte's books available from the 1985 SCASA Workshop in Applied Statistics. For copies of the book (\$25 plus mailing costs should call Noel Wheeler, Dept of Biomathematics, AV-617 Center for the Health Sciences, UCLA at (213) 825-3296 or 206-1704 by May 15, 1985.

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