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Colloquium Series

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"Skewed functional processes and their applications"

We introduce a novel class of models for functional data exhibiting skewness or other shape characteristics that vary with spatial location. Such data are not envisaged by the current approaches to model functional data, due to the lack of Gaussian – like features. Our methodology allows modeling the pointwise quantiles, has interpretability advantages and is computationally feasible.

Our methods were motivated by and are illustrated with a state-of-the-art study of neuronal tracts in multiple sclerosis patients and healthy controls.

Thursday, September 15th, 2011 3:30 PM at 306 Statistics Building

Refreshments will be immediately after the talk in The Cohen Room, room 230, Statistics Building