

Event Report: SSC 2013

1. Event Description:

The 2013 annual meeting of the Statistical Society of Canada (SSC) was held at the University of Alberta from May 26 through May 29. The meeting was very successful attracting 489 participants from academia and industry. Of the 489 participants, there were 103 students in attendance. On the first day of the conference (Sunday), three concurrent full-day workshops were held: Biostatistics (65 participants), Business and Industrial Statistics (10 participants) and Probability (10 participants). On the same evening, a public lecture was also held. The second through fourth days of the conference consisted of scientific sessions. In total, 47 invited paper sessions were held. In addition, there were 31 contributed paper sessions, two case studies sessions and a poster session.

2. Participants:

The 489 meeting participants are listed in Appendix A. From that list, regional participants from Atlantic Canada included R Agarwal, K Alobaidan, A Alsubie, N Cadigan, H Chipman, A Corkum, J de Tibeiro, C Field, V Gadag, D Hamilton, B MacDonald, A Oyet, J Picka, P Ranjan, B Smith, N Spencer, C van Bommel, Y Zhang and L Zou.

3. Publications:

The annual meeting does not produce a set of proceedings from the meetings.

4. Scientific Highlights:

There are many simultaneous sessions and it is therefore difficult to pick out the highlights. I would say that the Gold Medal Address given by Robert Tibshirani of Stanford University was of great scientific interest and importance to the Statistics community. It involved an introduction to theoretical results for the lasso, a modern computational approach to regression involving many variables. Distribution theory for lasso procedures have previously remained elusive, and Professor Tibshirani illustrated how his team and others were working on asymptotic testing procedures related to the lasso and other computational techniques.

Appendix A: Participants

Last Name	First Name	Institution
Abdelrazeq	Ibrahim	University of Ottawa
Abedin	Tasnima	
Abraham	Bovas	University of Waterloo
Adcock	Christopher	University of Sheffield
Afzal	Nasrin	University of Calgary
Agarwal	Reshu	Acadia University
Ahmed	Rashid	University of Waterloo
Ajavon	Ayi	Université de Montreal
Akhtar-Danesh	Noori	McMaster University
Alam	Shomoita	University of Alberta
Albert-Green	Alisha	The University of Western Ontario
Al Labadi	Luai	UAE University
Alobaidan	Khatoon	Acadia University
Alsubie	Abdelaziz	Acadia University
Alvo	Mayer	University of Ottawa
Amezziane	Mohamed	DePaul University
Amrhein	John	McDougall Scientific
Andrews	Jeffrey	University of Guelph
Angers	Jean-François	Université de Montréal
Armstrong	Llwellyn	Ducks Unlimited Canada
Ashta	Shiva	University of Toronto
Atenafu	Eshetu	University Health Network
Athey	Taryn	University of Guelph
Awoyemi	Olayinka	University College of the North
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Bae	Taehan	University of Regina
Bakal	Jeffrey	University of Alberta
Balasooriya	Uditha	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
Barbara	Szyszkowicz	Carleton University
Baser	John	U of Alberta
Beg	Mirza Faisal	Simon Fraser University
Behseta	Sam	California State University
Bergeron	Pierre-Jérôme	
Beyene	Joseph	
Bhatt	Hiteshkumar	WCHRI, University of Alberta
Bickis	Mikelis	University of Saskatchewan
Bien	Jacob	Cornell University
Bingham	Derek	Simon Fraser University
Bocci	Cynthia	Statistics Canada
Bornn	Luke	Harvard University
Boudreau	Christian	University of Waterloo
Bouhaddioui	Chafik	UAE University
Brant	Rollin	University of British Columbia
Braun	W. John	University of Western Ontario
Brewster	John	University of Manitoba
Brillinger	David	University of California, Berkeley
Brooks	Mollie	University of Zurich
brown	patrick	Cancer Care Ontario
Brown	Steve	University of Waterloo
Browne	Ryan	University of Guelph
Bulaevskaya	Vera	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Burke	Murray	University of Calgary
Buro	Karen	Grant MacEwan University
Burr	Wesley	Mathematics & Statistics
Cadigan	Noel	Memorial University
Cai	Jun	University of Waterloo

Cai	Song	The University of British Columbia
Cai	Yanling	University of British Columbia
Camacho	Fernando	
Campbell	David	Simon Fraser University
Canty	Angelo	McMaster University
Casquilho Resende	Camila	University of British Columbia
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Chaubey	Yogendra	
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Chen	Gemai	University of Calgary
Chen	Jiahua	Chen Jiahua
Chen	Min	University of Waterloo
Chen	Shiyi	
Chenouri	Shojaeddin	University of Waterloo
Cheston	Marla	University of Saskatchewan
Chipman	Hugh	Acadia U
Chkrebtii	Oksana	Simon Fraser University
Choeurng	Voleak	Carleton University
Choi	Yun-Hee	Yun-Hee Choi
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Dang	Utkarsh	University of Guelph
Dansu	Bolanle	University of Manitoba
Datta	Gauri	U.S. Census Bureau
Davies	Katherine	University of Manitoba
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Davis	Karelyn	Health Canada
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Fishbane	Nick	University of British Columbia
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Franczak	Brian	University of Guelph
Gadag	Veeresh	Memorial University
Garrido	Jose	Concordia University
Genest	Christian	McGill University
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Liu	Yang	
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shokoohi	Farhad	University of Manitoba
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Thomson	David J.	Queen's University
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Tibshirani	Ryan	Carnegie Mellon University
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Tortora	Cristina	University of Guelph
Toupin	Marie-Hélène	Université Laval
Trépanier	Julie	Statistique Canada
Tu	Dongsheng	Queen's University
Tuzov	Ekaterina	University of Manitoba
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Walker	Stephen	University of Kent
Wang	Huijing	Simon Fraser University
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Wild	Christopher	University of Auckland
Williamson	Tyler	Queen's University
Willmot	Gordon	University of Waterloo
Withanage	Niroshan	University of Calgary
Wolfson	Julian	
Wong	Monica	University of Guelph
Woods	David	University of Southampton
Wu	Changbao	University of Waterloo
Wu	Yan Yan	Yanyan Wu
Wu	Ying	University of Waterloo
Xiao	Jinkun	University of Western Ontario
Xin	Lu	University of Waterloo
Xing	Nana	University of Calgary
xu	xiaojian	Brock University
Xu	Cunhui	University of Alberta
Xu	Ronghui	University of California, San Diego
Xu	Ximing	

Xu	Yawen	York University
Xue	Lin	University of Manitoba
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Yan	Ying	University of Waterloo
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Yousefi	Kasra	Simon Fraser University
Yu	Dengdeng	University of Alberta
Yu	Hao	University of Western Ontario
Yuan	Yan	University of Alberta
Zhai	Zhichun	
Zhang	Jian	
Zhang	Xuechen	
Zhang	Ying	Acadia University
Zhang	Yukun	University of Calgary
Zhao	Bangxin	
Zhong	Yujie	University of Waterloo
Zhou	Julie	University of Victoria
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Zhu	Mu	Moo
Zhu	Qiaohao	University of Alberta
Zhu	Shan	
Zhu	Yayuan	University of Waterloo
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Zidek	James	University of British Columbia
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