# **Program in Brief**

The preliminary program appears below. We welcome technical papers discussing methods or applications with a *potential* tie to defense and security issues. More details on the conference will be available. Check the web site <a href="http://mysite.verizon.net/acas06/default.htm">http://mysite.verizon.net/acas06/default.htm</a> for updates.

#### Welcome:

#### • Short Course:

A short course on "Robust Nonparametric Methods for the General Linear Model," offered by Joseph W. McKean, Western Michigan University and Jeff Terpstra, North Dakota State University, will precede the conference on 16-17 October. The tutorial will start at 8:30 AM.

## • Invited Speakers:

- Carey Priebe, Johns Hopkins University
   Scan Statistics on Enron Graphs
- Don Brown, University of Virginia
   Discrete Choice Models for Asymmetric Warfare Attack Prediction
- Danyu Lin, University of North Carolina
   *Maximum Likelihood Estimation in Semiparametric Regression Models* with Censored Data
- Galit Shmueli, University of Maryland
   Attacking Biosurveillance Challenges with Statistical Weapons
- Edward Wegman, George Mason University, Yasmin Said, Johns Hopkins University and David Scott, Rice University The Hockey Stick Controversy: Lessons for Statisticians

## Banquet Speaker:

C. Shane Reese, Brigham Young University
 Degrees of Separation: A Case for the Impact of Statistics on Defense

#### Special Sessions:

Statistical Frontiers at RTP

Organizer: Ed Davis, University of North Carolina

- Amy Herring, University of North Carolina
   Semiparametric Bayesian Latent Trajectory Models
- Jianwen Cai, University of North Carolina
  A Semiparametric Additive Rates Model for Recurrent Event Data
- Joe Ibrahim, University of North Carolina

  Variable Selection in Regression Mixture Modeling for theDiscovery

  of Gene Regulatory Networks
- Information Technology Research at NISS: Data Confidentiality and Software Engineering

Organizer: Alan F. Karr, National Institute of Statistical Sciences

- Michael Last, National Institute of Statistical Sciences Pooled ANOVA
- Anna Oganian, National Institute of Statistical Sciences Combinations of SDC Methods for Numerical Microdata
- Mi-Ja Woo, National Institute of Statistical Sciences New Measures of Data Utility
- Social Network Analysis

Organizers: Ed Wegman, George Mason University and David Banks, Duke University

- John E. Gray and John T. Rigsby, Naval Surface Warefare Center The Need for a Tensor Theory of Social Networks
- Eric Vance, Duke University
  Social Networks within Calling Networks
- Alan Karr, National Institute of Statistical Sciences Models for Dynamic Social Networks
- Special Session to Commemorate Robert Launer's Lifetime Service Organizer: James R. Thompson, Rice University
  - Nozer D. Singpurwalla, George Washington University
  - James R. Thompson, Rice University
- Special Session in Honor of Bernard Harris on his 80th Birthday
   Organizer: Frank J. Samaniego, University of California, Davis
  - Nozer D. Singpurwalla, George Washington University
  - Chong Jin Park, San Diego State University

# • Contributed Speakers:

- A Multivariate Spatial Modeling Framework for Hurricane Surface Wind Fields to Improve Coastal Ocean Prediction
  - Montserrat Fuentes, North Carolina State University
- Second Generation Point Estimation Methods
   Jerry L. Alderman, Raytheon Missile Systems
   Allan Mense, Raytheon Missile Systems
- The R-statistic: A New Goodness-of-Fit Test Allan Mense, Raytheon Missile Systems Jerry L Alderman, Raytheon Missile Systems
- On Comparing Systems of Different Sizes
   Francisco J. Samaniego, University of California, Davis
- Nonparametric Bayes Methods for Dependent Data Jayaram Sethuraman, Florida State University
- Orthogonal-Maximin Latin Hypercube Designs
   V. Roshan Joseph and Ying Hung, Georgia Institute of Technology
- Army Officer Forecasting Models
   LTC Mark W. Lukens, Ph.D., Army G-1
- Optimal Stopping of Stochastic Delay Equations and Applications Mou-Hsiung (Harry) Chang, US Army Research Office
- Dynamic Survival Modeling of International and Civil Conflict Risk David S. Siroky, Duke University
- Checking Whether Seasonal Incidence Rates Can be Attributed to Seasonal Sub-population Sampling
  - Art Fries, Institute for Defense Analyses
- Letter Value Box Plots: Box Plots for Large Data Sets Heike Hoffman, Iowa State University Karen Kafadar, University of Colorado-Denver Hadley Wickham, Iowa State University
- On Bootstrap Tests of Hypotheses
   Wei-Yin Loh, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- Evaluation of Commercial Aluminum Alloys for Armor and Vehicle Upgrade
   John F. Chinella, Mathew Burkins, Tyrone Jones, and William Gooch, US Army
   Research Laboratory
- Value Added Outcomes in Military Service Educational Programs: Comparing New

- and Old Technologies and Methods
- MAJ Krista Watts and LTC Rodney X. Sturdivant, United States Military Academy West Point
- Brigade Level Simulation of Transition and Sustainment (BLSTAS) (under initial development)
  - Dr. Paul J. Deason, U.S. Army Analysis Fellow (Retired) and SAIC
- Simulation Study of Army Precision Guided Artillery in an Urban Operation Lee Shockley, SAIC
  - Sam Whitfield, PM Mortars, Ft. Benning, GA
  - Dr. Paul Deason, Army Analysis Fellow (Retired) & SAIC
- Inter-Rater Assessment of Select ISLE Metrics for the PLATO Evaluation Paradigm Ann E. M. Brodeen, Michelle T. Vanni, and Michelle C. McVey US Army Research Laboratory
  - Keith J. Miller, Mitre
- Statistical Analyses of Test Data on Mine Clearing: Part 2
   Jacqueline K. Telford, The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory
- o Fractional Calculus Modeling Physiologic Networks:
  - Bruce J. West, US Army Research Office
- System Engineering Framework for Evaluating US Army Battle Command System Capabilities and Limitations
  - Jock O. Grynovicki, US Army Research Laboratory
- Estimation of a Weibull Mixture Distribution David Webb, US Army Research Laboratory
- Spatio-Temporal Prediction of Iraqi Events
  - James A. Shine, Paul F. Krause and Kathleen L. Flood, US Army ERDC-TEC
- Modeling Co-occurrence Patterns in Space and Time
  James P. Rogers and James A. Shine, US Army ERDC-TEC
  Shashi Shekhar, AHPCRC and University of Minnesota
  Mete Celik, University of Minnesota
- De-Bunking the School of the Americas Myth: An Empirical Investigation Using Ordered Logit Models with Random Intercepts
  - Carol Atkinson, University of Southern California, Los Angeles
- Outlier Detection for Monitoring and/or Sensor Networks
   Katherine B. Ensor, Rice University
- The Little Formula that Beats the Market
- James R. Thompson and L. Scott Baggett, Rice University
- Analyzing Irradiance and Trajectories of Rocket, Artillery, Mortar (RAM) Generated in a Closed Form Constructive Monte Carlo Simulation Robert H. Vasse, SAIC

### • Events:

- Social: Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 8:00 PM, Radisson D&E
- Wilks Award Banquet: Wednesday, October 18, Radisson Salon B
  - 6:30 7:30 Social
  - 7:30 9:00 Banquet, Address, Wilks Award