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Sixth International Conference on Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output

Program

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FOREWORD

Dear Colleague,

Welcome to the **Sixth International Conference on Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output (SAMO 2010)**!

Every three years since 1995, the tradition of the SAMO Conference returns, becoming the main outlet for researchers all over the world to present their most recent research outcomes in the field of Sensitivity Analysis.

The 2010 Edition includes: 100 papers submitted, 8 keynote speeches given by some of the top researchers in the field, 16 posters and 74 contributed presentations divided into 16 sessions.

We hope you will enjoy SAMO 2010 as a great opportunity to value innovation as well as an opportunity to join the current debate on internationally-adopted techniques to perform Sensitivity and Uncertainty Analysis of Model Output.

The SAMO 2010 covers all kinds of techniques, including local Sensitivity Analysis, screening methods, variance-based approaches and moment-independent techniques. Applications range from seismic risk assessment, to nanotechnologies, architecture building, environmental models, biological models, industrial safety assessment, and many others.

This reveals our research field's multidisciplinary nature once again, which contributes to the assessment and corroboration of quantitative models and assists policy-makers in making informed decisions.

SAMO 2010 has been divided into 16 sessions, starting on Monday 19 July and ending on Thursday 22.

Held in Milan, the Conference is hosted by Università Bocconi at their new building on campus which provides offices for Faculty and Research. The building, designed by the Irish practice, Grafton Architects, was named World Building of the Year at the inaugural World Architecture Festival Awards (WAF Awards 2008, Barcelona Centre Conventions International).

Outside the Bocconi Campus lies one of Italy and Europe's most vibrant, elegant and unique cities. We encourage you to enjoy Milan, including its many restaurants, museums and architectural monuments, as well as its world-famous shopping district, and the surrounding area with, among others, the beautiful lakes of Como and Maggiore.

We would like to kindly thank you for your participation at SAMO 2010 and wish you a pleasant stay in Milan!

*The SAMO 2010 Program Chairs
Emanuele Borgonovo, Andrea Saltelli
and Stefano Tarantola*

SAMO 2010 ORGANIZATION

The Conference was organized by the Econometrics and Applied Statistics Unit, Joint Research Centre of the European Commission (Ispra, Italy) and ELEUSI, Università Bocconi.

The EAS Unit works on applied research on statistics and econometrics and provides analytical support to the services of the European Commission in the fields of macro-economics, single market and innovation.

ELEUSI is Università Bocconi's research center devoted to the creation and utilization of quantitative methods for solutions in risk analysis, decision-making and managerial problems. Sensitivity analysis is a key area of the center research activity. A steering committee composed of some of the most respected international expert in the field helps establishing the scientific guidelines of the research center (www.eleusi.unibocconi.it > People > Steering Committee).

UNIVERSITÀ BOCCONI

Upon its founding in 1902, Università Bocconi became the first Italian university to offer a degree in economics. In the ensuing century Bocconi has cultivated and maintained this role of leadership in academic fields related to the world of commerce through quality teaching and research in management, law and statistics, as well as economics. Today the University offers several international study programs in English at all levels from Bachelor to PhD and Executive levels, and more than one tenth of the student body is from outside Italy.

Bocconi's size and specialization enables it to avail itself of a diversity of viewpoints within the social sciences. Ideas coming from more than one area can readily converge in the form of multidisciplinary research that makes a significant contribution. In addition, the University enjoys leading-edge input from a vast network of partner universities in 50 countries, facilitating international research projects of the highest order.

Empirical analysis in particular plays an ever-increasing role in economic research, and there are strong connections between this type of advanced study and the issues faced by institutions and companies today. Aiming for importance in all aspects of society, the University carries out both pure and applied research in various fields including statistics, business administration, econometrics, finance and law.

By placing emphasis on merit in education, ethics in commerce and excellence in research, Università Bocconi strives to make a constructive contribution to the innovation and development of both the world of European business and European society in general.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

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Andrea Saltelli, Joint Research Centre, Ispra, Italy
Stefano Tarantola, Joint Research Centre, Ispra, Italy
Tamás Turányi, Eötvös University, Budapest, Hungary

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

George Apostolakis, Commissioner, Nuclear Regulatory Commission of the US, USA
Jon Helton, Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, USA
Bertrand Iooss, Electricité de France, France
Peter Kennedy, Simon Fraser University, USA
John Norton, Australian National University, Australia
Herschel Rabitz, Princeton University, USA
Jerry Ravetz, Oxford, United Kingdom
Andrea Saltelli, Joint Research Centre, Ispra, Italy (Opening Speaker)

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS AND SPECIAL ISSUES

The extended abstracts have been published in the new conference proceedings series *Procedia* by Elsevier. The volume is entitled *Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output*.

After the conference, full papers will be considered for publication in a special issue of the Journal *Reliability Engineering and System Safety*. The deadline for submitting full papers for the special issue shall be **15 October 2010**. The editorial policy of the special issue coincides with the policy of the Journal. Therefore, please consider the scientific policy of RESS and conform your manuscript to the editing instructions of the Journal when submitting the paper. This will help avoid delays in the review process. **Important:** When submitting the paper electronically through the Elsevier EES system at <http://ees.elsevier.com/ress/>, it is important that the category “**Special Issue: SAMO 2010**” be selected at the “Article Type” step in the submission process. This category is a requirement for the paper to be processed within the special issue.

SAMO 2010 PROGRAM & PAPERS

■ MONDAY 19 JULY

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| 8:30am | Registration | Gallery, via Röntgen1 |
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| 10:00am | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |
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Welcome Address

Lorenzo Peccati Vice Rector of Human Resources Management, Università Bocconi

Introduction and Operating Issues

Emanuele Borgonovo Director, ELEUSI Università Bocconi

Opening Speech - How to Avoid a Perfunctory Sensitivity Analysis

Andrea Saltelli Head, Econometrics and Applied Statistics Unit. JRC of the European Commission

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| 11:15am | Coffee break | |
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| 11:30am | Parallel Sessions | |
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| SESSION 19_1A. | Chair Curtis Smith | ROOM AS01 |
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Application of Global Sensitivity Analysis to Nuclear Reactor Calculations F. Puente Espel, S. Tarantola, S. Ghrayeb, K. Ivanov

Use of Moment Independent Importance Measures in the Framework of Seismic Fragility Analysis I. Zentner, S. Tarantola, E. Borgonovo

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| SESSION 19_1B. | Chair Bertrand Iooss | ROOM AS03 |
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Investigation on the Structure of a Networked System S. La Rovere, P. Vestrucci

Importance Measures on Networks J.C. Ruiz, C. M. Rocco

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| 12:30pm | Lunch | |
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| SESSION 19_2A. | Chair Enrico Zio | ROOM AS01 |
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Variance Decomposition Sensitivity Analysis of a Passive Heat Removal System Model Y. Yu, T. Liu, J. Tong, J. Zhao, F. Di Maio, E. Zio, A. Zhang

Sensitivity Analysis of the Model of a Nuclear Passive System by Means of Subset Simulation E. Zio, N. Pedroni

Total Order Reliability Importance in Space PSA E. Borgonovo, C. Smith

An Identification and Grouping Approach to Analyze the Output of a Dynamic Safety Assessment L. Podofillini, D. Mercurio, V.N. Dang, E. Zio

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| SESSION 19_2B. | Chair Jon C. Helton | ROOM AS03 |
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EFAST Analysis Applied to a PA Model for a Generic HLW Repository in Clay S.M. Spiessl, D.A. Becker, A. Rübel

Uncertainty Propagation and Sensitivity Analysis of Coupled Thermalhydraulic-Neutronic Nuclear Power Plant Simulations: Influence of Uncertainty in Neutronic Data F. Ánchel, T. Barrachina, R. Miró, R. Macián-Juan

Use of Replicated Latin Hypercube Sampling to Estimate Sampling Variance in Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis Results for the Geologic Disposal of Radioactive Waste C.W. Hansen, J.C. Helton, C.J. Sallaberry

A Measure for Estimating the Effect of the Input Uncertainty on the Mean Value of the Model Output Q. Liu, T. Homma

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| 4:00pm | Coffee break | |
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| 4:30pm | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |
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Keynote Speech - Model Uncertainty: A Regulatory Perspective

George E. Apostolakis Commissioner, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Social Events

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| 7:30pm | Concert Pianist Roberto Plano | Aula Magna via Röntgen 1 |
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| 8:30pm | Gala Dinner | Foyer Aula Magna via Röntgen 1 |
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■ TUESDAY 20 JULY

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| 8:30am | Late Registration | Gallery, via Röntgen1 |
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| 9:00am | Parallel Sessions | |
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| SESSION 20_1A. | Chair Ricardo Bolado | ROOM AS01 |
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Applications of Sparse Grid Interpolation: Sensitivity Analysis and Experiment Design G.T. Buzzard, D. Changkuon, M.M. Donahue, A.E. Rundell

Distributional Sensitivity Analysis D.L. Allaire, K.E. Willcox

Guidelines for Optimal Estimation of Correlation Ratios Based on Monte Carlo Simulation of Computer Codes R. Bolado, E. Plischke, S. Tarantola, A. Badea

Uncertainty Quantification Via Codimension One Domain Partitioning and New Concentration Inequality T.J. Sullivan

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| SESSION 20_1B. | Chair Paolo Giudici | ROOM AS03 |
| Optimal Sensitivity Analysis under Constraints: Application to Fisheries J.P. Gauchi, S. Lehuta, S. Mahévas | | |
| Screening Groups of Parameters Using the Morris Method to Select Parameters for Variance Based Sensitivity Analysis S.M. Thorsen | | |
| Empirical Relationship between Sensitivity Index and Mean Square Error of Prediction: A Case Study for Greenhouse Gas Emission M. Lamboni, D. Makowski, H. Monod | | |
| Modeling the Evolution of the Antarctic Ice Sheet in the 200 ky C. Balconi, F. Baratelli, M. Giudici, C. Vassena | | |

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| 11:00am | Coffee break | |
| 11:30am | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |

Keynote Speech - Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis in Performance Assessment for the Proposed Repository for High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada
Jon C. Helton SANDIA National Laboratories

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| 12:30pm | Lunch | |
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| SESSION 20_2A. | Chair Tamás Turányi | ROOM AS01 |
| Uncertainty Analysis of Varying Temperature Chemical Kinetic Systems Nagy Tibor, Tamás Turányi | | |
| Derivative Based Global Sensitivity Measures I.M. Sobol', S. Kucherenko | | |
| Preliminary Results for the Global Sensitivity Analysis of SALTIRSOIL Model Outputs F. Visconti, J.M. de Paz, J.L. Rubio, J. Sánchez | | |

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| SESSION 20_2B. | Chair Andrea Saltelli | ROOM AS03 |
| Adjoint Sensitivity Analysis for Hybrid Systems and Its Application to Identification of Biological Systems K. Fajarewicz | | |
| What Do Tigers and Backswimmers Have in Common? An Analysis of Structure and Sensitivity in Individual Based Models M.A. Imron, A. Gergs, U. Berger | | |
| Sensitivity Study for a Bed-Load Transport Routing Scheme Applied to a Large Alpine Catchment B. Gerns, S. Achleitner, F. Schöberl, M. Aufleger | | |

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| 3:30pm | Coffee break | |
| 4:00pm | Parallel Sessions | |

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| SESSION 20_3A. | Chair George Apostolakis | ROOM AS01 |
| Sensitivity Analysis for Quantile Regression A.L. Vasnev | | |
| Sensitivity Analysis of a Hierarchical Qualitative Model - The Analysis of MASC M. Carpani, J.E. Bergez, H. Monod | | |

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| Evaluating the Uncertainty of Hydrological Model Simulations Coupled with Meteorological Forecasts at Different Spatial Scales A. Ceppi, G. Ravazzani, D. Rabuffetti, M. Mancini | | |
| Quality of High Dimensional Numerical "Space Filling Designs" for the Sensitivity Analysis of Interference Optical Filters O. Vasseur, M. Claeys-Bruno, M. Sergent | | |

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| SESSION 20_3B. | Chair Herschel Rabitz | ROOM AS03 |
| The Effect of Quality and Reserves Uncertainty to Production Scheduling of a Lignite Mine Feeding a Power Plant M. Galetakis, C. Roumpos | | |
| Calibration of a Crop Simulation Model Using an Evolutionary Algorithm With Self-Adaptation P. Stratonovitch, M.A. Semenov | | |
| Direct Sensitivity Computation for 1D Hydrodynamic Modelling vs Classical Empirical and Monte Carlo Approaches C. Delenne, T. Feret, V. Guinot, B. Cappelaere | | |

Partial Order Investigation of Multiple Indicator Systems Using Variance-based Sensitivity Analysis P. Annoni, R. Brüggemann, A. Saltelli

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| 6:00pm | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |
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Keynote Speech - High Dimensional Model Representation (HDMR): Regression and Global Sensitivity Analysis
Herschel Rabitz Princeton University

■ WEDNESDAY 21 JULY

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| 8:30am | Late Registration | Gallery, via Röntgen 1 |
| 9:00am | Parallel Sessions | |

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| SESSION 21_1A. | Chair Stefano Tarantola | ROOM AS01 |
| Substitutability vs. Complementarity: Rethinking STI Composite Indicators Building with an Application of Sensitivity Analysis G. Cerulli, A. Filippetti | | |
| Sensitivity Analysis in Stochastic Second Order Cone Programming for Mobile Ad Hoc Networks F. Maggioni, S.W. Wallace, M. Bertocchi, E. Allevi | | |
| Regression Sensitivity Analysis for Cash Flow Simulation Based Real Option Valuation T.J. Hahtela | | |

A Simple and Flexible Mean-Risk Model A. Cillo, P. Delquié

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| SESSION 21_1B. | Chair Emanuele Borgonovo | ROOM AS03 |
| Identifiability and Sensitivity Analysis of a Photodynamic Therapy Model S. Dobre, T. Bastogne, M. Barberi-Heyob, A. Richard | | |
| Global Sensitivity Analysis of the Process-Based Wheat Simulation Model SiriusQuality1 Identifies Key Genotype Parameters and Unravels Parameters Interactions J. He, P. Stratonovitch, V. Allard, M.A. Semenov, P. Martre | | |

Cost-effectiveness of Varicella and Zoster Vaccination in England&Wales: Importance Measures for Correlated Parameters J. Bilcke, A.J. van Hoek, N. Hens, M. Aerts, W.J. Edmunds, P. Beutels

The Use of Sensitivity Analysis for the Design of Functional Structural Plant Models Q. Wu, P.H. Counède

11:00am Coffee break

11:30am Plenary Session Room AS02

Keynote Speech - Sensitivity Analysis in the Context of Quality Assurance
Jerry Ravetz Oxford

12:30 Lunch

2:00pm Parallel Sessions

SESSION 21_2A. Chair Marco Percoco ROOM AS01

Theorems and Analytical Test Cases in Moment Independent Sensitivity Analysis
E. Borgonovo, W. Castaings, S. Tarantola

Uncertainty Importance and Risk-Based Decision Making in the Inoperability Input-Output Model E. Borgonovo, M. Percoco

Sampling Plans for the Estimation of moment Independent Importance Measures
W. Castaings, E. Borgonovo, S. Tarantola

SESSION 21_2B. Chair Jerry Ravetz ROOM AS03

Modeling Uncertainties in Complex Systems N. Rachdi, J.C. Fort, T. Klein, F. Mangeant

URANIE: The CEA/DEN Uncertainty and Sensitivity Platform F. Gaudier

Adaptive Monte Carlo Approach for Sensitivity Analysis I. Dimov, R. Georgieva

3:30pm Coffee break

4:00pm Parallel Sessions

SESSION 21_3A. Chair William Castaings ROOM AS01

Model Choice Considerations and Information Integration Using Analytical Hierarchy Process J.R. Langenbrunner, F.M. Hemez, J.M. Booker, T.J. Ross

Sensitivity Analysis Via 'Derived Parameters' J.L. Cormenzana, R. Bolado

Variance-Based Sensitivity Indices for Models with Dependent Inputs Thierry Mara

Improving Random Balance Designs for the Estimation of First Order Sensitivity Indices S. Tarantola, M. Koda

SESSION 21_3B. Chair Peter Kennedy

ROOM AS03

An Original Sensitivity Statistic within a New Adaptive Accelerated Monte-Carlo Method M. Munoz Zuniga, J. Garnier, E. Remy

Development of a Localized Probabilistic Sensitivity Method to Determine Random Variable Regional Importance H. Millwater, G. Singh

Adaptive Monte Carlo Algorithm for Sensitivity Studies of Eulerian Large-Scale Air Pollution Models I. Dimov, R. Georgieva, T. Ostromsky

An Adaptive Correlation Ratio Method E. Plischke

6:00pm Plenary Session

Room AS02

Keynote Speech - Abusing Econometrics
Peter Kennedy Simon Fraser University

THURSDAY 22 JULY

8:30am Late Registration

Gallery, via Röntgen1

9:00am Parallel Sessions

SESSION 22_1A. Chair Sergei Kucherenko ROOM AS01

Joint Metamodeling for Sensitivity Analysis of Continuous and Stochastic Inputs of a Computer Code A. Marrel

A Comparative Analysis of Emulators for the Sensitivity Analysis of a Land Surface Process Model G. P. Petropoulos, M. Ratto, S. Tarantola

A Comparison of the Three Metamodel-Based Methods for Global Sensitivity Analysis: GP Modelling, HDMR and LAR-gPC G. Blatman, B. Sudret

Distribution-Based Global Sensitivity Analysis Using Polynomial Chaos Expansions
Y. Caniou, B. Sudret

SESSION 22_1B. Chair Francois Hemez

ROOM AS03

An Application of Global Sensitivity Analysis in Evaluation of Transmission Line Fault-Locating Algorithms R. Zivanovic

Practical Applications of Uncertainty and Sensitivity Techniques in Building Energy Simulation H.E. Mechri, V. Corrado

Sensitivity Analysis Using Stochastic Expansion Methods to Calculate Variance-Based Sensitivity Indices V.G. Weirs, L.P. Swiler, W.J. Rider, B.M. Adams, J.R. Kamm, M.S. Eldred

Sensitivity and Uncertainty Quantification Techniques Applied to Systems of Conservation Laws J.R. Kamm, W.J. Rider, V.G. Weirs, S. Tarantola, M. Ratto

11:00am Coffee break

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| 11:30am | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |
| Keynote Speech - Model Uses and their Implications for Identification and Model Testing John Norton Australian National University | | |
| 12:30pm | Lunch | |
| 2:00pm | Parallel Sessions | |
| SESSION 22_2A. | Chair Gabriella Dellino | ROOM AS01 |
| Quasi-Random-Sampling High Dimensional Model Representations for the Construction of Reduced Discrete Time State Space Dynamic Models R.S.C. Lambert, N. Shah, S.S. Kucherenko Maximin Design on Non-Hypercube Domain and Kernel Interpolation P. Barbillon Sensitivity Analysis of a Model that Describes the Biofiltration of TRS Compounds J. Silva, G. Aroca | | |
| SESSION 22_2B. | Chair John Norton | ROOM AS03 |
| Sensitivity Analysis in Advanced Building Industry Z. Kala Bearing Capacity of Reinforced Foundations: Statistical Approach and Sensitivity Analysis A. Dey Analytic Properties of High Dimensional Model Representations F. Beccacece, E. Borgonovo | | |
| 3:30pm | Coffee break | |
| 4:00pm | Parallel Session | |
| SESSION 22_3A. | Chair Bertrand Iooss | ROOM AS01 |
| Simulation-Optimization under Uncertainty through Metamodeling and Bootstrapping G. Dellino, J.P.C. Kleijnen, C. Meloni Sensitivity Analysis for Tire/Road Interface Model R. Kiébré, F. Anstett-Collin, M. Basset A Computer-Aided Framework for Systematic Model Development, Analysis and Identification in Innovative Product-Process Engineering M. Heitzig, G. Sin, P. Glarborg, R. Gani | | |
| SESSION 22_3B. | Chair Paola Annoni | ROOM AS03 |
| Effects of the Oil Export Price Increase on the Economy of Kazakhstan: Results from the Sensitivity Analysis Z. Kapsalyamova Sensitivity Analysis as a Sustainable Building Design Help M. Haase, I. Andresen, B. Time, A.G. Hestnes Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis of National Road Transport Inventories Compiled with COPERT 4 I. Kioutsoukakis, C. Kouridis, D. Gkatzoflias, P. Dilara, L. Ntziachristos | | |

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| 5:30pm | Plenary Session | Room AS02 |
| Keynote Speech - Computer Experiments with Functional Outputs: Global Sensitivity Analysis and Metamodelling Bertrand Iooss Electricité de France | | |
| 6:30pm | Conclusions and Farewell | Room AS02 |

SAMO 2010 POSTER SESSION

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| Relative Sensitivity of Conditional Distributions to Kurtosis Deviations in the Joint Model M.A. Gómez-Villegas, P. Main, H. Navarro, R. Susi |
| Computation of Sensitivity Indices with Different Routines for Latin Hypercube Designs D. Mohan Rao, Jamuna Konda |
| Solute Transport in Geological Porous Media: Estimation of Dispersion Coefficients F. Baratelli, L. Cattaneo, M. Giudici, C. Vassena |
| Combined Global Sensitivity Analysis and Population PBPK Modeling for Assessing Consistency of TCDD Toxicokinetics Data in Mice L. Yengo, C. Brochet, A. Péry |
| Sensitivity Analysis Associated with the Evaluation of Measurement Uncertainty: Application to a Computational Code in Metrology A. Allard, N. Fischer, F. Didieux |
| Climate Change and Irrigation Water Need Sensitivity Analysis R. Gondim, A. Maia, M. De Castro |
| Robust Method for Sensitivity Analysis in Simulation Model/a Comparison Study Huda Abdullah Rashid |
| Decision Support Systems Based on the Economic Feasibility Assessment for Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Management under Uncertainty Using SimLab® Toolpack Boguslaw Bieda |
| Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis of SWMM Model in Computation of Manhole Water Depth and Subcatchment Peak Flood R. A. Sharifan, A. Roshan, M. Aflatoni, A.Jahedi, M. Zolghadr |

Sensitivity Analysis of Load Carrying Capacity in AFM-based Manipulation

M.H. Korayem, A. Amanati

Identifying Important Observations Using Cross Validation and Computationally Frugal Sensitivity Analysis Methods

L. Foglia, M.C. Hill, S.W. Mehl, P. Perona, P. Burlando

Water Hammer Model Sensitivity Study by the FAST Method

A. Kaliatka, M. Vaisnoras, E. Uspuras

Uncertainty and Sensitivity Analysis in Code Environmental Model for Risk Assessments from Industrial Source Complex

J. Carlos García-Díaz, J. M. Gozálvez-Zafrilla

Determination of the Uncertainty Bounds of a Continuous Distillation Code: Effect of Input Variability and Model Uncertainty

J.M. Gozálvez-Zafrilla, J. Carlos García-Díaz, A. Santafé-Moros

Evaluation of MARS Modeling Technique for Sensitivity Analysis of Model Output

D. Shahsavani, S. Tarantola, M. Ratto

SAMO PAST EDITIONS

1995 SAMO (Belgirate, Italy)

1998 SAMO (Venice, Italy)

2001 SAMO (Madrid, Spain)

2004 SAMO (Santa Fe, USA)

2007 SAMO (Budapest, Hungary)

SAMO Summer Schools

The SAMO Summer Schools is an interrelated initiative organized by the EAS Unit of the Joint Research Centre, European Commission

(<http://sensitivity-analysis.jrc.ec.europa.eu/>)

Up to the date, five editions of the SAMO Summer Schools have been organized in Venice (1999, 2002, 2004, 2006, and 2008).

The forthcoming SAMO Summer School will be held at Villa La Stella (Fiesole) from 14 to 17 of September.

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