

## Department of Mathematical Sciences Seminar in Stochastic Systems

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Statistical tests for stochastic dominance

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*Abstract*: The comparison of distributions of uncertain prospects has been of considerable interest in various branches of science, finance, economics, insurance, and engineering. One of the most popular stochastic orders is based on the notion of stochastic dominance. Stochastic dominance plays an increasingly prominent role in the theory of choice under uncertainty, and has multiple applications. We shall present the concept of stochastic dominance and indicate its implications. We will discuss and compare several existing approaches for testing stochastic dominance. At the end of the talk a new test for stochastic dominance of second order will be presented.

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Refreshments will be served at 3:50 pm.

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