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## SEMINAR

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### VENUE:

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### TITLE:

**Geometric Exploratory Data Analysis for Random Objects**

### SPEAKER:

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### ABSTRACT:

*In this talk I will propose new tools for the exploratory data analysis of data objects taking values in a general separable metric space. Using distance profiles, where the distance profile of a point  $\omega$  in the metric space refers to the distribution of the distances between  $\omega$  and the data objects, I will describe how to obtain transport ranks, which capture the centrality of each element in the metric space with respect to the data cloud. I will discuss the properties of transport ranks and show how they can be an effective device for detecting and visualizing patterns in samples of random objects. Together with practical illustrations I will establish the large sample properties of the estimators of the distance profiles and the transport ranks which will be valid for a wide class of metric spaces. Finally, I will describe a new powerful two sample test geared towards populations of random objects by utilizing the distance profiles corresponding to the data objects. I will demonstrate the efficacy of this new approach on distributional data comprising of a sample of age-at-death distributions for various countries, for compositional data through energy usage for the U.S. states and for neuroimaging network data.*

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