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## VOC meeting in cooperation with the Nederlands Forensic Institute on

### *Statistical methods in criminology and law enforcement*

April 18, 2008

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| 10.00 | Registration and Coffee   |
| 10.30 | Colin Aitken: <i>Evidence evaluation using the likelihood ratio statistic</i>   |
| 11.20 | Catrien Bijleveld: <i>Some examples from criminological research practice</i>   |
| 11.55 | Annabel Bolck: <i>XTC classification and evaluation</i>   |
| 12.30 | Lunch   |
| 14.00 | Peter van der Heijden: <i>Estimating the prevalence of rule transgression using data collected by randomized response</i> |
| 14.50 | Maarten Cruyff: <i>Population size estimation using zero truncated Poisson models</i>                                     |
| 15.25 | Tea   |
| 15.55 | Andre Hoogstrate: <i>Evidence: value, confidence and statistics</i>   |
| 16.25 | VOC annual member meeting   |
| 16.45 | Drinks  |

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## Registration details for the VOC meeting in cooperation with the Dutch Forensic Institute

The Nederlands Forensic Institute (NFI) is very kind to host the meeting. For security reasons, those who like to participate are kindly requested to register *before* April 10 and to bring an ID (passport, driving license or other valid ID) to be shown at the reception. Please note that without valid ID you will not be allowed to enter the NFI building.

Registration can be done via the VOC website (<http://www.voc.ac/>), after April 10<sup>th</sup> it is not possible to register for this meeting. Participation is free and the lunch and drinks are kindly offered by the NFI.

For details how to reach the NFI see: <http://www.forensischinstituut.nl/contact/>. Given the limited parking facilities at NFI, participants who will arrive by car are kindly requested to use the car park of "terrein van Wereldhave", which is located near the NFI building.

## Van de Voorzitter

The year 2008 is only a couple of months old, and yet there is much to tell in this issue of the VOC newsletter. Perhaps the most important news is that after years of loyal service our secretary, Marieke Timmerman, will leave the board of the VOC. She has done a great job, and from this place I would like to thank her for all the work - and that is a lot! - she has done. I am sure we will continue to see her appearing at VOC meetings; she already has expressed her continued involvement with the VOC by volunteering to co-organize next years lustrum. The board is very pleased to have found Hugo Duivendoorn willing to step into her shoes. It is good to see that VOC members are actively engaged to keep the VOC the lively society that it is.

There is more news: the annual VOC spring meeting will this year be held in The Hague, at the premises of the Dutch Forensic Institute, on April 18. More information, including the programme, can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. Note that due to security issues you should register before Thursday, April 10.

And finally, I would like to invite all of you to visit the annual meeting of our German sister society, the GfKI, this year in Hamburg, from July 16 to 18. The VOC will organize a special session with exciting speakers: Peter van der Heijden, Andries van der Ark and - hey! - Marieke Timmerman.

Ron Wehrens (chairman)

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## VOC meeting in cooperation with the Nederlands Forensic Institute on *Statistical methods in criminology and law enforcement*

### Abstracts

#### Evidence evaluation using the likelihood ratio

Colin Aitken

Likelihood ratios provide a natural way of computing the value of evidence under competing propositions in that one can report that the evidence is so-many times more likely if one proposition is true than another one is true. Likelihood ratios have been developed for multivariate hierarchical random effects models with the use of graphical models to help with the curse of dimensionality. An example of the application of this methodology to forensic casework is given.

*Professor Colin Aitken is Professor of Forensic Statistics at The University of Edinburgh. He has a PhD from the University of Glasgow. His research interests lie at the interface of statistics, law and forensic science and he has*

*published many papers and is co-author of two books on the subject. He is Editor-in-Chief of Law, Probability and Risk and Chairman of the Statistics and Law working group of the Royal Statistical Society. He is a Chartered Statistician and Fellow of the Forensic Science Society.*

#### Some examples from criminological research practice Catrien Bijleveld

In this presentation I give a number of examples of methodological applications in criminological research. Starting with an overview of the development of research methodology in criminology in the Netherlands over the past 25 years, I next focus on experimental studies, and on studies on international crimes and gross human rights violations, in which there is extreme data paucity.

*Catrien Bijleveld is professor of research methods in Criminology at the department of criminal law and criminology at the Free University of Amsterdam and Senior Researcher at the Netherlands Institute for the study of Crime and Law Enforcement (NSCR), where she is coordinator of a research group focusing on life course, crime and intervention. She strongly advocates the use of quantitative as well as qualitative measurements and statistical models in the study of crime. Her research focuses on criminal careers, intergenerational continuity in offending, effectiveness of interventions and international crimes.*

#### XTC classification and evaluation Annabel Bolck

The Netherlands is one of the most XTC producing countries. Therefore much research is done in this field. One of the research questions the NFI was involved in concerned the classification of XTC tablets by their origin: "Is it possible to discriminate between XTC tablets from different batches/factories/production methods? In this presentation I will show that parts of this research questions can be answered, but that there are also many problems involved in this. Eventually I will show how this research can also help to answer a typical Forensic case work question concerning comparison investigation. Many questions in Forensic case work concern comparisons. Shoes with shoeprints, fingermarks with fingerprints, DNA on the crime scene with that of a suspect and so on. What does it mean when many similarities are found between the compared objects/subjects? What is the strength of this evidence? A comparison problem in drug research concerns the question whether tablets of two different consignments of tablets (found at different locations at different times) come from the same batch. This problem has its own aspects, but is also related to the classification problem discussed earlier.

*Annabel Bolck studied Econometrics at the University of Groningen. In 1996 she finished her PhD in Chemometrics, also in Groningen. After two and a half years of research as a postdoc at the faculty of social*

*Sciences at Tilburg University, she worked for 4 years as a statistician at 2 different Universities abroad (Fiji and Australia). In September 2002 she came back to the Netherlands and was employed by the Netherlands Forensic Institute (NFI) as a statistician, where she still works.*

### **Estimating the prevalence of rule transgression using data collected by randomized response**

Peter G.M. van der Heijden and co-workers

In criminology self-report studies are a means to obtain prevalence estimates of for rule transgressions, violations of the law, and so on. In surveys individuals are interviewed about their behaviour. An obvious problem is, of course, that due to reasons such as social desirability people do not always answer honestly about their behaviour.

For this reason about forty years ago randomized response was introduced to collect data about sensitive issues. Many forms of randomized response are possible. In our own research we have predominantly used the following form: a respondent is asked to throw two dice. When the dice roll 2, 3, or 4, with probability  $P_1=1/6$ , the respondent is asked to answer 'yes' irrespective of his own true answer to the question. When the dice roll 11 or 12, with probability  $P_2 = 1/12$ , the respondent is asked to answer 'no' again irrespective of his own true answer, and when the dice roll 5-10 the respondent is asked to answer the question truthfully ( $P_3 = 3/4$ ). The interviewer, who does not know the outcome of the dice, only hears the answer 'yes' or 'no' and thus the respondent can safely give his answer. Yet, because the randomization mechanism is known it is possible to estimate the prevalence of the sensitive topic.

Our research group has worked in this area for about 10 years and I will give an overview of our results. The results are:

- (i) a 'best practice' for asking randomized response questions
- (ii) a meta-analysis showing that randomized response is the most valid method for answering questions about sensitive topics
- (iii) accommodating existing models for the multivariate data so that they can handle randomized response data, such as logistic regression, item response theory, and randomized response count data
- (iv) accommodating these models for the potential presence of respondents that do not follow the randomized response design.

We present these results and illustrate them using surveys that we conducted for the Ministry of Social Affairs into social benefit fraud, that we conducted on a two-yearly base from 1998 to 2006.

*Peter G.M. van der Heijden obtained his PhD at Leiden University in 1986 and became professor of statistics at the Faculty of Behavioural and Social Sciences at Utrecht University in 1992. There he founded the Department of*

*Methodology and Statistics, that is now one of the largest departments in this field in the Netherlands. His research interests focus on the analysis of categorical data, in particular randomized response and population size estimation using capture-recapture. He conducts much contract research for ministries where he applies these methods and further develops them. Email:*

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### **Population size estimation using zero-truncated Poisson models.**

Maarten Cruyff

The size of delinquent populations is usually unknown. For delinquent populations police registration files usually exist that contain information about the number of apprehensions of the individual population member. Under the assumption that the number of apprehensions is generated by a homogenous Poisson process, these capture-recapture allow for population size estimation. In most applications however, the assumption of homogeneity does not hold. The presentation gives an overview of different models that allow for a heterogeneous Poisson process. These models have been applied to estimate such populations as drunken drivers, illegal immigrants, illegal gun owners and perpetrators of domestic violence. Some examples will be presented to compare the performances of these models.

*Maarten Cruyff studied psychology at Leiden University and started in 2002 as Ph.D student at the Department of Methodology & Statistics of Utrecht University, where he currently works as assistant professor. His fields of interest are the multivariate analysis of randomized response data and capture-recapture analysis.*

### **Evidence: value, confidence and statistics**

André Hoogstrate

This presentation covers 2 topics. First the Knowledge and expertise centre for intelligent data analysis (Kecida) which is currently formed at the Netherlands Forensic Institute will be introduced. Secondly I will discuss several aspects of the increased use of statistics and statistical modeling in law and law enforcement. The focus will be on the evidential value of evidence. Besides a short introduction of the Likelihood ratio or Bayesian approach the link will be made with the diagnostic value. Finally, some ongoing research in will be presented.

*Dr. André J. Hoogstrate received his PhD in Econometrics from the University of Maastricht in 1998. He further was affiliated from 1998 to 2001 with the Tilburg University and Center. Since 2000 he has held several positions at the Netherlands Forensic Institute. Currently he is project manager of the Knowledge and expertise center for intelligent data analysis(Kecida).*

## Bookreviews

### **An Introduction to State Space Time Series Models**

Jacques J.F. Commandeur and Siem Jan Koopman

Oxford University Press, 2007

Hardcover, xiv + 174 pages

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£ 24.99

Basic state space models (SPM) for time series follow a very simple prescription: specify the latent dynamics and assume that you observe it with additive noise. The simplest example is to assume a latent level that is changed by a random 'shock' at each new time point. The shocks are normally distributed with unknown variance and the observation noise is also normal, again with unknown variance. All the parameters can be estimated by maximum likelihood as well as the time course of the latent state.

The simple SPM can be extended in various ways. The new latent state can be a (linear) extrapolation of the previous two states plus a shock. Or you can add seasonal components. Explanatory variables can also be added as regressors or dummies for jumps or exceptional events. The SPM is very attractive, because you see what you are doing. Commandeur en Koopman exploit this fact fully. First they motivate the need for time series models. Then they start from the simplest SPM and gradually make it more complex and introduce seasonal components and extra variables. Their running example is the number of drivers killed by serious road accidents in the UK. This is a 'rich' time series for which all the extensions make sense. The story is illustrated by many high-quality graphs. Model-(mis)fit is studied by AIC and plots of residuals. The latter are used to motivate model extensions.

Additional important aspects of time series modeling are discussed. The SPM automatically interpolates missing data. The differences between prediction (extrapolating a time series), filtering (using only the data up to a certain time point to estimate the state) and smoothing (using all available data) are amply made clear. The relationships with the Kalman filter are also described.

The software that is being used for model estimation is SSFpack, running on Ox. This is quite popular in the econometrics world, but virtually unknown outside it. If I understand the documentation (at [www.doornik.com](http://www.doornik.com)) well, an academic command line version is free, but it cannot show graphs. The professional version costs several thousands of Euros. The data and programs that come with the book can be found at <http://www.ssfpack.com>.

Reviewers always do their best to find things to gripe about, and I am no different. I was surprised by the authors' definition of AIC: they divide by the number of observations. This leads to very small numbers, which are called large or small without an explanation of what criteria to use. Also I don't trust the stochastic seasonal components for killed drivers: they hardly vary from year to year. In other graphs, like those for UK inflation I see

strong changes. By the way: the inflation data are printed in a table at the end of the book with 16(!) decimals, which looks weird.

I really recommend this book. It is a very good read and it is very reasonably priced. Once you now SPMs, you don't need any other time series methods.

Paul Eilers

## Agenda

April 24 - 26. **Atlanta, Georgia, USA.** SIAM International Conference on Data Mining (SDM'08). [www.siam.org/meetings/sdm08](http://www.siam.org/meetings/sdm08)

May 16 - 18. **Memphis, Tennessee, USA.** International Conference on Interdisciplinary Mathematical and Statistical Techniques, IMST 2008 / FIM XVI. [www.msci.memphis.edu/IMST2008-FIMXVI/](http://www.msci.memphis.edu/IMST2008-FIMXVI/)

May 25 - 29. **Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.** Joint meeting of the Statistical Society of Canada (SSC) and the Société française de statistique (SFdS). [www.ssc.ca/](http://www.ssc.ca/)

June 05 - 07. **St. Louis, USA.** The 2008 CSNA meeting.

June 08 - 11. **Protaras, Cyprus.** International Workshop on Recent Advances in Time Series Analysis. [www.ucy.ac.cy/~rats2008/](http://www.ucy.ac.cy/~rats2008/)

June 26 - 28. **Coimbra, Portugal.** Workshop on Nonparametric Inference – WNI2008. [www.mat.uc.pt/~wni2008](http://www.mat.uc.pt/~wni2008).

June 29 - July 2. **Durham, New Hampshire, USA.** International meeting of the psychometric society. [www.psychometrika.org/meeting/2008/IMPS2008\\_trifold.pdf](http://www.psychometrika.org/meeting/2008/IMPS2008_trifold.pdf)

July 08 - 12. **Oviedo, Spain.** III European Congress of Methodology, held in conjunction with the Society for Multivariate Analysis in the Behavioural and Social Sciences (SMABS). [www.methodology.cop.es/](http://www.methodology.cop.es/)

July 13 - 18. **Dublin, Ireland.** XXIVth International Biometric Conference. [www.cpreregistrations.com/ibc/2008/](http://www.cpreregistrations.com/ibc/2008/)

July 14 - 16. **Liverpool, UK.** 6th Conference of the International Test Commission: The Impact of Testing on People and Society: Enhancing the Value of Test Use. [www.itc2008.com/](http://www.itc2008.com/)

July 16 - 18. **Hamburg, Germany.** GfKl 2008: 32nd Annual Conference of the German Classification Society. Joint Conference with the British Classification Society (BCS) and the Dutch/Flemish Classification Society (VOC). [gfk12008.hsu-hh.de/](http://gfk12008.hsu-hh.de/)

July 21 - 25. **Hamilton Island, Australia.** 9th World Meeting of the International Society for Bayesian Analysis. [www.maths.qut.edu.au/asba/docs/isba08/](http://www.maths.qut.edu.au/asba/docs/isba08/)

July 24 - 26. **Vienna, Austria.** Current Trends and Challenges in Model Selection and Related Areas. [www.univie.ac.at/workshop\\_modelselection/](http://www.univie.ac.at/workshop_modelselection/)

August 03 - 07. **Denver, Colaroda, USA.** 2008 Joint Statistical Meetings. [www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2008/index.cfm](http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2008/index.cfm)

August 07 - 09. **Orlando, Florida, USA.** 14th ISSAT International Conference on Reliability and Quality in Design. [www.issatconferences.org](http://www.issatconferences.org)

August 12 - 14. **Dortmund, Germany.** useR! 2008 - the R User Conference. [www.R-Project.org/useR-2008](http://www.R-Project.org/useR-2008)

August 17 - 21. **Copenhagen, Denmark.** 29th Annual Conference of ISCB - the International Society for Clinical Biostatistics. [www.iscb2008.info](http://www.iscb2008.info)

August 24 - 29. **Porto, Portugal.** COMPSTAT 2008: International Conference on Computational Statistics. [www.fep.up.pt/compstat08/](http://www.fep.up.pt/compstat08/)

November 27. **Utrecht, NL.** Symposium georganiseerd door de werkgroep "Onderzoek Gezondheidstoestand" met titel "Meten van verandering bij Patient Reported Outcomes". Meer informatie kan gevonden worden op <http://gezondheidstoestand.googlepages.com/> of via [gezondheidstoestand@gmail.com](mailto:gezondheidstoestand@gmail.com)

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## Financieel overzicht over het jaar 2007

| <i>Kostenpost</i>  | <i>bedrag in euro</i> |
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| <b>Inkomsten</b>   |                       |
| contributies VOC 2003 <sup>1</sup>   | 15                    |
| contributies VOC 2004 <sup>1</sup>   | 15                    |
| contributies VOC 2005 <sup>1</sup>   | 20                    |
| contributies VOC 2006 <sup>1</sup>   | 100                   |
| contributies VOC 2007 <sup>1</sup>   | 480                   |
| contributies VOC 2008 <sup>1</sup>   | 1425                  |
| lunch ontvangsten voorjaarscongres 2007 <sup>2</sup>                         | 408                   |
| lunch ontvangsten najaarscongres 2007 <sup>4</sup>                           | 140                   |
| rente Belgische dexiarekening  | 0                     |
| rente Postbank Plusrekening tot en met 31-10-2007                            | 14                    |
| contributie 2007 zonder persoonsnaam (1/11/2007) <sup>7</sup>                | 20                    |
| <b>totaal</b>  | <b>2637</b>           |
| <b>Uitgaven</b>  |                       |
| voorjaarsbijeenkomst 2007 sprekers reiskosten <sup>2</sup>                   | 218                   |
| voorjaarsbijeenkomst 2007 sprekers cadeaux <sup>2</sup>                      | 86                    |
| voorjaarsbijeenkomst 2007 zaalhuur <sup>2</sup>                              | 360                   |
| voorjaarsbijeenkomst 2007 catering (lunch, koffie/thee, borrel) <sup>2</sup> | 970                   |
| cadeaus vertrekkende voorzitter en penningmeester <sup>3</sup>               | 106                   |
| najaarsbijeenkomst 2007 catering (lunch, koffie/thee, borrel) <sup>4</sup>   | 636                   |
| najaarsbijeenkomst 2007 cadeaus sprekers <sup>4</sup>                        | 77                    |
| najaarsbijeenkomst 2007 diner bestuursvergadering <sup>5</sup>               | 111                   |
| kosten boekreviews nieuwsbrief   | 22                    |
| bank- en transactiekosten 2006   | 1                     |
| bank- en transactiekosten 2007   | 41                    |
| kosten VOC website 2007  | 374                   |
| kamer van koophandel   | 21                    |
| bijdrage aan IFCS 2007-2008 <sup>6</sup>                                     | 143                   |
| <b>totaal</b>  | <b>3166</b>           |
| <b>Balans per 31/12/2007</b>   |                       |
| <b>Debet</b>   |                       |
| saldo Ned. girorekening 31/12/2007 <sup>8</sup>                              | 2013                  |
| saldo Ned. plusrekening 31/12/2007 <sup>8</sup>                              | 2619                  |
| saldo Belg. dexiarekening 31/12/2007 <sup>8</sup>                            | 2707                  |
| <b>totaal</b>  | <b>7339</b>           |
| <b>Credit</b>  |                       |
| voortuitbetaalde contributies VOC 2008 <sup>9</sup>                          | 1425                  |
| eigen vermogen <sup>1, 2, 6, 10</sup>  | 6306                  |
| <b>totaal</b>  | <b>7731</b>           |

## Voetnoten bij financieel overzicht 2007 en balans

1. De VOC telde op 31/12/2007 106 leden hetgeen netto een daling is van 1 t.o.v. van vorig jaar. 24 leden hebben in 2007 contributie voor 2007 betaald (totaal bedrag € 480). 1 lid heeft in januari 2008 de contributie voor 2007 voldaan, deze wordt meegenomen in het eigen vermogen 2007, maar niet bij de inkomsten voor 2007. In 2006 is er 1000 euro aan contributie voor 2007 ontvangen. Dit betekent dat er in totaal € 1500 aan contributie voor het jaar 2007 is betaald.

2. De lunch voor de voorjaarsbijeenkomst in Utrecht werd betaald door de deelnemers (inkomsten € 408) en de cateringkosten voor de lunch bedroegen € 425. Kosten voor zaalhuur, drankjes, sprekerscadeaus en sprekersreiskosten werden door de VOC betaald. De bijeenkomst werd gezamenlijk georganiseerd met de BNVKI, welke met 300 € in de kosten participeert. Dit bedrag was nog niet aan de VOC voldaan in 2007, maar wordt wel meegenomen in het eigen vermogen 2007.

3. Twee bestuursleden, de voorzitter en de penningmeester, hebben in 2007 afscheid genomen van het bestuur en hebben voor hun inzet voor de VOC een cadeau ontvangen.

4. Lunchkosten waren voor rekening van de deelnemers (inkomsten € 140) en kosten voor zaalhuur, drankjes, sprekerscadeaus en reiskosten werden door de VOC betaald. De cateringkosten voor de lunch bedroegen € 217.

5. Bij de installatie van de nieuwe voorzitter en penningmeester is de bestuursvergadering gehouden tijdens een diner.

6. De bijdrage aan de IFCS is in 2007 uitgevoerd en betreft de jaren 2007-2008.

7. Er is een onduidelijke overboeking geweest naar de rekening van de VOC. Het gaat waarschijnlijk om 1 contributie voor 2007 (€20).

8. Op 31/12/2007 bedroeg het saldo van de Nederlandse giro- en spaarrekening, en de Belgische rekening in totaal €7339. Een jaar daarvoor was dit €7869.

9. In 2007 is er 1425 euro contributie betaald voor het jaar 2008.

10. Het eigen vermogen was op 31/12/2007 gelijk aan € 6306 en werd als volgt berekend. Totale saldo Ned. en Belg. rekeningen (€ 7339) minus contributies voor 2008 (1425) plus bijdrage BNVKI (€ 300, zie noot 2) plus lidmaatschap 2007 (€ 20, zie noot 1), plus helft contributie IFCS (€ 72, zie noot 6).

Een overzicht van het eigen vermogen van de afgelopen jaren:

| jaar | eigen vermogen |
|------|----------------|
| 2007 | € 6306         |
| 2006 | € 6869         |
| 2005 | € 6057         |
| 2004 | € 5019         |
| 2003 | € 6795         |
| 2002 | € 6408         |
| 2001 | € 5898         |
| 2000 | € 5731         |
| 1999 | € 4871         |
| 1998 | € 5100         |

Laurence Frank  
Penningmeester

## Agenda voor de ledenvergadering van de VOC op 18 april 2008

1. Opening
2. Notulen Ledenvergadering 27 april 2007  
Deze zijn elders in de Nieuwsbrief opgenomen.
3. Jaarverslag van de secretaris over 2007  
Dit is elders in deze Nieuwsbrief opgenomen.
4. Financieel verslag
  - Jaarverslag van de penningmeester (zie deze Nieuwsbrief).
  - Verslag van de kascommissie (Cees Elzinga en Bart Jan van Os)
  - Benoeming van de nieuwe kascommissie.

### 5. Bestuursamenstelling

Het bestuur bestaat nu uit de volgende leden (achter de functie staat de resterende duur van hun termijn):

|                      |                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Ron Wehrens          | Voorzitter (2)            |
| Marieke Timmerman    | Secretaris (0)            |
| Eva Ceulemans        | Redacteur Nieuwsbrief (2) |
| Mark de Rooij        | Lid (0)                   |
| Michel van de Velden | Lid (1)                   |
| Laurence Frank       | Lid (1)                   |

Van twee bestuursleden eindigt hun termijn: Marieke Timmerman en Mark de Rooij. Als nieuwe secretaris wordt Hugo Duivenvoorden voorgedragen. Mark de Rooij is beschikbaar voor herbenoeming. Tegenkandidaten kunnen aangemeld worden tot 24 uur voor de ledenvergadering, bij de huidige secretaris.

6. Wvttk/Rondvraag
7. Sluiting

## Verslag ledenvergadering VOC 27-4-2007

Datum: 27-4-2007

Plaats: Faculty Club, Utrecht

Verslag: Marieke Timmerman

### 1. Opening en ingekomen stukken.

De voorzitter opent de vergadering. Er zijn geen ingekomen stukken.

### 2. Notulen jaarvergadering 28 april 2006

De notulen worden aanvaard.

Op de vraag van Caspar Looman naar aanleiding van punt 9 meldt Marieke Timmerman dat het VOC bestuur besloten heeft geen entreegeld te heffen. Wel wordt aan frequente bijeenkomst bezoeker die niet VOC-lid zijn, een uitnodiging tot lid worden gezonden. Dit blijkt goed te werken in de praktijk.

### 3. Jaarverslag van de secretaris

Het verslag wordt aanvaard.

### 4. Financieel verslag

Het verslag van de penningmeester over 2006 wordt aanvaard.

Hugo Duivenvoorden en Cees Elzinga hebben de boeken gecontroleerd. Zij zijn helaas afwezig, maar laten weten de boeken keurig in orde bevonden te hebben, en doen het voorstel tot decharge van de penningmeester. Dat voorstel neemt de vergadering over.

De nieuwe kascommissie bestaat uit Cees Elzinga en Bart Jan van Os.

### 5. Bestuursamenstelling

Patrick Groenen en Paul Arents treden reglementair af. Zij worden heel hartelijk bedankt voor hun jarenlange inspanningen voor de VOC. Ron Wehrens heeft zich verkiesbaar gesteld als voorzitter. De termijn van Eva Ceulemans eindigt, en zij heeft zich herverkiesbaar gesteld. Er zijn geen tegenkandidaten en zij worden bij acclamatie gekozen. Laurence Frank krijgt de functie van penningmeester.

### 6. CSNA en ADAC affiliate membership

Geen van de aanwezigen in de vergadering heeft bezwaar tegen het aanbieden van het affiliate membership van CSNA en ADAC via de VOC. Het bestuur zal dit dan ook m.i.v. 2008 (weer) invoeren.

### 7. Oproep bestuur

Het bestuur roept alle VOC leden op tot het leveren van een bijdrage aan reguliere bijeenkomsten en aan de Jubileumbijeenkomst in 2009. Gezien het geringe aantal aanwezigen zal het bestuur deze oproep ook op andere wijze kenbaar maken.

### 8, 9, 10. Wvttk, Rondvraag en Sluiting

Caspar Looman meldt dat de VOC najaarsbijeenkomst als thema medische toepassingen heeft, en gehouden zal worden op 6/12/2007.



## Jaarverslag van de Secretaris over 2007

1. De VOC startte 2007 met 107 leden en eindigde met 106 leden. Er waren 8 opzeggingen, en 7 aanmeldingen.

### 2. Bestuur

Het bestuur van de VOC had in 2007 de volgende samenstelling:

|                      |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Ron Wehrens          | Voorzitter            |
| Marieke Timmerman    | Secretaris            |
| Laurence Frank       | Penningmeester        |
| Eva Ceulemans        | Redacteur Nieuwsbrief |
| Michel van de Velden | Webmaster             |
| Mark de Rooij        | Lid                   |

Het bestuur vergaderde drie maal via internet, en één maal 'live'. De belangrijkste onderwerpen waren de Bijeenkomsten, de Jubileumbijeenkomst 2009 en lopende zaken als de Nieuwsbrief en de website.

### 3. Activiteiten

In 2007 hadden we twee goed bezochte bijeenkomsten.

De Voorjaarsbijeenkomst (27/4/07, 34 deelnemers, in de Faculty Club in Utrecht) was een gezamenlijke bijeenkomst met de BNVKI, en had als thema 'Data mining'. De sprekers waren Patrick Groenen, Cristophe Croux, Bernard de Baets, Koen Vanhoof, Lambert Schomaker en Paul Eilers.

De Najaarsbijeenkomst (16/11/07, 29 deelnemers, Universiteit Leiden) had als thema: 'Applications in Biostatistics'. De sprekers waren Jos Twisk en Richard Gill (beide keynotes) en Caspar Looman, Frans Oort, Hein Putter en Luc Bonneux.

### 4. Publiciteit.

De Nieuwsbrief verscheen twee maal. De Bijeenkomsten werden ook aangekondigd voor niet-leden, onder andere via de VVS site en via mailinglists (IOPS, Stoch-Ned, Bio-MVA).

## Routebeschrijving NFI



## Met de auto

### Vanuit Amsterdam

A4 richting Den Haag. Volg bord: Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid/Rotterdam. Volg bord: Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid/Hoek van Holland. Neem afslag 9: Rijswijk-Centrum/Drievliet/Ypenburg/ Broekpolder. Onderaan de afslag bij de verkeerslichten rechtsaf. Onder viaduct doorrijden en meteen bij de eerste verkeerslichten weer rechtsaf (richting Ypenburg). U rijdt nu op de Laan van Hoornwijck. U vervolgt de weg onder twee dicht bij elkaar liggende viaducten door. De eerste weg rechts is de Laan van Ypenburg. Op de hoek ligt het Nederlands Forensisch Instituut, een laag zwart gebouw van 4 verdiepingen met veel glas.

### Vanuit Rotterdam

A13 richting Den Haag. Neem afslag 7: Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid. Bij de verkeerslichten rechtdoor. Onder twee viaducten doorrijden en meteen bij de eerste verkeerslichten weer rechtsaf (richting Ypenburg). U rijdt nu op de Laan van Hoornwijck. U vervolgt de weg onder twee dicht bij elkaar liggende viaducten door. De eerste weg rechts is de Laan van Ypenburg. Op de hoek ligt het Nederlands Forensisch Instituut, een laag zwart gebouw van 4 verdiepingen met veel glas.

### Vanuit Utrecht

A12 richting Rotterdam/Den Haag. Volg bij knooppunt Prins Clausplein bord Delft/Rijswijk/Den Haag Zuid/Amsterdam. U rijdt nu op de A4. Volg bord: Delft/Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid. Volg bord: Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid/Rotterdam, daarna bord: Rijswijk/Den Haag-Zuid/Hoek van Holland. Neem afslag 9: Rijswijk-Centrum/Drievliet/Ypenburg/Broekpolder. Onderaan de afslag bij de verkeerslichten rechtsaf. Onder viaduct doorrijden en meteen bij de eerste verkeerslichten weer rechtsaf (richting Ypenburg). U rijdt nu op de Laan van Hoornwijck. U vervolgt de weg onder twee dicht bij

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### Vanuit Rijswijk

Over de Hoornbrug, bordjes Ypenburg volgen. Op de Laan van Hoornwijck vervolgt u de weg onder twee dicht bij elkaar liggende viaducten door. De eerste weg rechts is de Laan van Ypenburg. Op de hoek ligt het Nederlands Forensisch Instituut, een laag zwart gebouw van 4 verdiepingen met veel glas.

### Vanuit Delft

A13 richting Den Haag. Neem afslag 8: Delft-Noord. Bij de verkeerslichten bovenaan de afslag gaat u rechtsaf de Brasserskade op. Vervolgens direct links de Poortweg aanhouden, deze gaat over in de Singel. De Singel volgen, u kruist een trambaan. Blijf de Singel volgen tot een groot kruispunt met verkeerslichten en opnieuw een trambaan. Hier gaat u linksaf de laan van Hoornwijck op. Vervolgens neemt u de eerste weg aan uw linkerhand, dit is de laan van Ypenburg. Op de hoek ligt het Nederlands Forensisch Instituut, een laag zwart gebouw van 4 verdiepingen met veel glas.

## Met het openbaar vervoer

HTM-Tramlijn 15 rijdt vanaf Den Haag Centraal Station, het centrum van Den Haag via Station Hollands Spoor en Rijswijk naar het centrum van Nootdorp. Uitstappen: halte 'Laan van Ypenburg'.

HTM-buslijn 33 rijdt van Rijswijk de Schilp richting Leidschenveen. Uitstappen: halte 'Laan van Ypenburg'.

**Het Nederlands Forensisch Instituut is op loopafstand.**