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1 UM VICE RECTOR MICHAEL HUI RECEIVES HONORARY FELLOWSHIP FROM CUHK

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Prof. Michael HUI (許敬文教授), vice rector of the University of Macau (UM), interim director of the Asia-Pacific Academy of Economics & Management, and chair professor of the Department of Management and Marketing in the Faculty of Business Administration, has been awarded an Honorary Fellowship by the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) in recognition of his outstanding achievements and contributions in the field of marketing.

Prof Hui's teaching and research focus on services marketing, consumer behaviour and cross-cultural marketing. His extensive research on services marketing has not only enriched the knowledge base of the academic community, but has also created a lasting impact on business practice and social development. He has taught at several universities in the UK and Canada. During his tenure at CUHK, Prof Hui received the Faculty Teaching Excellence Award from the Faculty of Business Administration and the Vice-Chancellor's Exemplary Teaching Award for his innovative teaching methods and research achievements.

For more details, please visit: https://www.um.edu.mo/news-and-press-releases/detail/58372/



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THE FBA AWARDS CEREMONY 2023/2024

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The FBA Awards Ceremony 2023/2024 was successfully held at the Staff General Meeting on 3 June 2024. Professors of FBA were awarded for their excellent performance in the areas of teaching, research, and service. Moreover, the Faculty would like to recognize its outstanding administrative staff. During the ceremony, Prof. Jun YU, Dean of FBA, presented to each awardee a certificate. Please join us in congratulating them on their efforts over the year!

FBA Awards 2023/2024



FBA Outstanding Teaching Award
• Prof. Rachel Xiaorong MA
(馬笑蓉教授) (FBE)



FBA Outstanding Research Award
• Prof. Duncan Jiancheng LIU
(劉鍵程教授) (AIM)



FBA Outstanding Research Award
• Prof. Lawrence Hoc Nang FONG
(馮學能教授) (DRTM)



FBA Outstanding Research Award
• Prof. Jing XIE
(謝靜教授) (FBE)



FBA Outstanding Research Award
• Prof. Fangyuan CHEN
(陳方圓教授) (MMI)



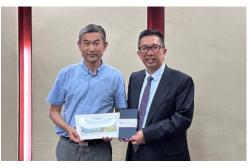
FBA Outstanding Internal Service Award
• Prof. Lianjie SHU
(舒連杰教授) (AIM)



FBA Outstanding External Service Award
• Prof. Lida Lingling ZHANG
(張玲玲教授) (MMI)



FBA Excellent Administrative Staff Recognition Scheme • Ms. Jennifer LAO



Prof. YU presenting UM Souvenir to the School of Economics at Shanghai University of Finance and Economics



Prof. YU presenting UM Souvenir to the School of Accountancy at Shanghai University of Finance and Fconomics



Group photo with Tongji University



Meeting with Fudan University

THE FACULTY OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MACAU VISITS SHANGHAI UNIVERSITIES FOR COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE

Research

The Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) of the University of Macau (UM) delegation led by Prof. Jun YU (余俊教授), Dean of FBA, with Prof. Raymond LOI (雷智豪教授), Associate Dean (Research and Development), Prof. Ning ZHANG (張寧教授), Programme Coordinator of MSc in Accounting, Prof. Lianjie SHU (舒連杰教授), Programme Director of PhD Programme, Prof. Anthony WONG (黃業堅教授), Professor in Integrated Resort and Tourism Management, and Ms. Jennifer LAO (劉嘉雯女士), Functional Head of Postgraduate Programmes and Student Affairs, visited universities in Shanghai from May 27-28 and explored potential collaboration.

Over the two-day visit in Shanghai, the delegation visited the School of Accountancy and the School of Economics at Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, the School of Economics and Management at Tongji University, as well as the School of Economics, the International School of Finance, and the Department of Tourism at Fudan University.

The delegation was warmly welcomed by the faculty leaderships and students. Before the discussions, FBA gave presentations on its postgraduate programmes and admission plans, and had lively exchanges with students on learning environment, curriculum design, and student support. The school leaderships also shared information about their own institutions. Substantive discussions were held on talent cultivation, academic research, and faculty development, and suggestions were made regarding future cooperation and development possibilities.

For more information, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/the-faculty-of-business-administration-of-the-university-of-macau-visits-shanghai-universities-for-cooperation-and-exchange/





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CONGRATULATIONS! TWO ACADEMICS PROMOTED

Congratulations to **Prof. Rachel MA** (馬笑蓉教授) and **Prof. Mac SI** (司考教授) for being promoted to Associate Professor! Their outstanding achievements in research and teaching, as well as their valuable contributions in service, are highly recognized and deeply appreciated. Please join us in congratulating them on their efforts over the year!



Prof. Rachel MA



Prof. Mac SI



MEETING OUR NEW FACULTY MEMBER

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We are very glad to introduce our new faculty member - **Prof. Degui LI (李德櫃教授)**, Distinguished Professor of Business Economics, who recently joined the Department of Finance and Business Economics at the Faculty of Business Administration in May 2024.

Prof. LI holds a PhD degree in Mathematics (Statistics) and a BSc degree in Statistics from Zhejiang University. Before joining UM, he served as a Professor in the Department of Mathematics at the University of York from 2018 to 2024. Prior to that, he worked as a Research Fellow and Senior Research Fellow at Monash University in Australia from 2011 to 2013 and a Research Associate at the University of Adelaide in Australia from 2008 to 2010. Prof. Ll's research interests focus on Econometric Theory & Practice and Statistics & Data Analytics.

Prof. LI published papers in reputable academic journals, such as the Journal of Econometrics, the Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, and the Journal of the American Statistical Association. He is the Associate Editor of Econometric Theory, Journal of Time Series Analysis, and Econometrics and Statistics.

Let's welcome Prof. Degui LI and we highly appreciate your support to Prof. LI.

For more information of Prof. LI, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/faculty/deguili/



Prof. Degui LI

FBA GRADUATES MORE THAN 460 UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS AT CONGREGATION 2024

Teaching and Learning

The University of Macau held the Congregation 2024 on 2 June 2024. In this year, more than 460 students from the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA), received their graduation certificates from Rector. **Rector Yonghua SONG** (宋永華校長) and Dean of FBA **Prof. Jun YU** (余俊教授) officiated the degree conferment to FBA bachelor candidates. Dean YU first asked bachelor candidates to rise and respectfully request Rector to confer the Bachelor's Degree on those qualified to receive the degree. Rector hereafter conferred the Bachelor's Degree of the University of Macau on behalf of University.

This year, more than 1,700 undergraduate students graduated from the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Faculty of Business Administration, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Health Sciences, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Science and Technology, and Faculty of Social Sciences. Among them, 66 outstanding students have also completed the Honours College Certificate Programme.

For more details, please visit: https://www.um.edu.mo/news-and-press-releases/detail/58433/



Congregation 2024





More than 469 FBA students graduated



FBA graduates



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Q&A session

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THE "SMART TOURISM SYMPOSIUM 2024: INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION" WAS SUCCESSFULLY HELD

Research

The "Smart Tourism Symposium 2024: International Collaboration" hosted by the Asia-Pacific Academy of Economics and Management (APAEM) and co-hosted by the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) of the University of Macau (UM), was successfully held on May 29.

In order to promote technological innovation and further empower the application and development of smart tourism in Macao, this symposium focused on big data and artificial intelligence and invited three renowned scholars: Prof. Gang LI, Professor in the School of Information Technology of Deakin University; Prof. Sunny SUN, Associate Professor in the College of Sustainability and Tourism of Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University; and **Prof. Robin CHARK (翟智恆教授)**, Associate Professor in the School of Business Administration of the University of Macau, to serve as guest speakers and discuss the application of big data and artificial intelligence in tourism research in depth.

At the beginning of the symposium, **Prof. Rob LAW** (羅振雄教授), Deputy Director of APAEM, delivered a welcome speech to the invited scholars and participating teachers and students, and summarized the current status and future development direction of Macao's smart tourism.

For more details, please visit: https://apaem.um.edu.mo/the-smart-tourism-symposium-2024-international-collaboration-was-successfully-held/

THE FBA-BRTC HOSTS THE 5TH PROFESSIONAL TRAINING ON INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (IFRS) FOR THE PROFESSIONAL COMMITTEE OF ACCOUNTANTS OF MACAU

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Business Engagement

The Business Research and Training Center (BRTC) of the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA), University of Macau (UM) has concluded its 5th batch of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) professional training. The sessions were conducted across three successive weekends in May 2024 on the university's campus.

This latest series focused on the standard relating to Insurance Contracts (IFRS 17), which highlights significant changes in new reporting treatment on insurance liabilities.

The executive training was conducted by seasoned IFRS instructor, **Mr. Derek CHAN** (陳永亨先生), from the University of Macau. The event attracted a diverse audience of around 40 participants, including top executives from insurance firms, auditors, partners, and senior managers from Big 4 and local accounting entities, financial analysts, as well as practitioners from the public and utilities sectors.

For more details, please visit: https://brtc.fba.um.edu.mo/the-fba-brtc-hosts-the-5th-professional-training-on-international-financial-reporting-standards-ifrs-for-the-professional-committee-of-accountants-of-macau/

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MBA COMPANY-BASED PROJECT PRESENTATIONS TO INDUSTRY EXECUTIVES

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MBA students from the Business Consultancy Methods course conducted project presentations to senior management executives from the Macao Newland Technology Co., Ltd. (澳門新大陸萬博科技有限公司) recently. This project presentation session marks the completion of a series of executive-student interactions (including project kick-off meeting, face-to-face consultation session and final project presentation).

During the project presentations, student groups examined real business issues and proposed solutions to the senior management team. Students also responded to questions from the industry experts in the Q&A session. After student presentations, company executives provided valuable feedback to students.

For more information, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/mba-company-based-project-presentations-to-industry-executives/

BEYOND GRADUATION: NAVIGATING TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY CAREER PATHS FOR STUDENTS

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Recently, under the guidance of **Prof. Amy SO (蘇小恩教授)**, Assistant Dean (International and External Relations) of the Faculty of Business Administration, Director of the Centre for Tourism and Integrated Resort Studies and Associate Professor of the Department of Integrated Resort and Tourism Management, the department's Year 2 students successfully organized a conference with the theme of "Beyond Graduation: Navigating Tourism and Hospitality Career Paths for Students".

For more details, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/beyond-graduation-navigating-tourism-and-hospitality-career-paths-for-students/



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STUDENTS AND PROFESSOR FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRATED RESORT AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS OF THE MACAU INTERNATIONAL COMEDY FESTIVAL

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Prof. Soey LEI (李雪瑩教授), Assistant Professor of the Department of Integrated Resort and Tourism Management, and students were recently invited to MGM Cotai to participate in the first Macau International Comedy Festival to experience the operation of the event. The event was coordinated and organized by MGM Cotai's Learning & Talent Development Department. The students had a job shadowing session to observe and learn about the operation of the event from the staff.

For more details, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/students-of-the-department-of-the-department-of-integrated-resort-and-tourism-management-experience-the-operation-of-the-macau-international-comedy-festival/

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THANK YOU AND SEE YOU AGAIN

In the FBA Academic Council and Staff General Meeting held on 3 June 2024, the Faculty expressed heartfelt thanks to **Prof. Peng Chun VONG** (黃炳銓教授) and **Mr. Jonty LAM** (林文堅先生) for their dedications and contributions to FBA. Wishing them good luck for all future endeavors.



Thank you



Dean YU (Right) and Prof. Peng Chun VONG (Left)







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DELEGATION OF THE MACAO SAM YUK MIDDLE SCHOOL VISITED FBA

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A delegation from Macao Sam Yuk Middle School, consisting of form 4 students and teachers, visited the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) on 3 May 2024. The delegation was warmly welcomed by **Prof. Zhuo QIAO** (喬卓教授) and **Prof. Jacey CHOE** (崔慈瑛教授). Prof. QIAO provided introductions of the faculty and BBA Programme to the delegation, and Prof. CHOE presented the BSc in IIRM programme to the group. The students also had the chance to explore several facilities including the Mock Hotel Room, Café Laboratory, Hospitality Laboratory, Thomson Reuters Trading Room and Currency Museum.



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DELEGATION OF GUANGZHOU INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY VISITED FBA

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A delegation from Guangzhou Institute of Science and Technology, consisting of 40 students and teachers, visited the Faculty of Business Administration (FBA) on 6 May 2024. The delegation was warmly welcomed by the UM representatives and they had the chance to explore our facilities including the Thomson Reuters Trading Room and Currency Museum.

UPCOMING EVENT

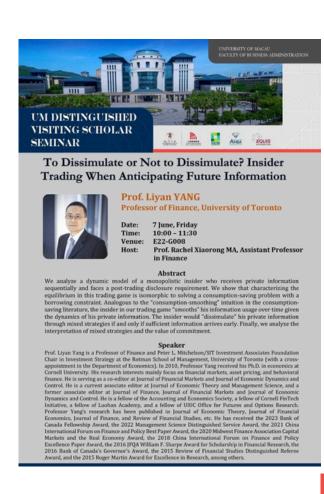
1 UM DISTINGUISHED VISITING SCHOLAR SEMINAR

- Topic: To Dissimulate or Not to Dissimulate? Insider Trading When Anticipating Future Information
- Speakers: Prof. Liyan YANG, Professor of Finance, University of Toronto
- Date: 7 June 2024 (Friday)Time: 10:00 am 11:30 am
- Venue: E22-G008
- Host: Prof. Rachel Xiaorong MA, Assistant Professor in Finance

All academic staff, students, and interested parties are welcome to join!

For more details, please visit:

https://fba.um.edu.mo/um-distinguished-visiting-scholarseminar-to-dissimulate-or-not-to-dissimulate-insider-tradingwhen-anticipating-future-information-by-prof-liyan-yang/









2 FBA SEMINAR SERIES 122

- Topic: When Evaluation is Anchored: Contrasting Responses of Consumers and the State to Category-Spanning Films in China
- Speaker: Prof. Ying LI, Assistant Professor, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- Date: 7 June 2024 (Friday)
- Time: 10:30 am 12:00 pm
- Venue: E22-G015
- Host: Prof. Haitao YU, Assistant Professor in Management

All academic staff, students, and interest parties are welcome to join!

For more details, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/fba-seminar-series-122/

3 UM DISTINGUISHED VISITING SCHOLAR SEMINAR

- Topic: Randomization in Product, Fulfillment, and Pricing as a Profit Lever
- Speakers: Prof. Ming HU, Distinguished Professor of Business Operations and Analytics, University of Toronto
- Date: 11 June 2024 (Tuesday)
- Time: 10:30 am 12:00 pm
- Venue: E22-G008
- Host: Prof. Grace FU, Associate Professor in Business Intelligence and Analytics

All academic staff, students, and interested parties are welcome to join!

For more details, please visit:
https://fba.um.edu.mo/um-distinguished-visiting-scholar-seminar-randomization-in-product-fulfillment-and-pricing-as-a-profit-lever-by-prof-ming-hu/









problems with consideration of correlation structure



Prof. Runze LI Eberly Family Chair Professor in Statistics The Pennsylvania State University

Abstract

Abstract

This paper is concerned with high-dimensional two-sample mean problems, which receive considerable attention in recent literature. To utilize the correlation information among variables for enhancing the power of two-sample mean tests, we consider the setting in which the precision matrix of high-dimensional data possesses a linear structure. Thus, we first propose a new precision matrix is entimation procedure with considering its linear structure, and further develop regularization methods to select the true basis matrices and remove irrelevant basis matrices, with the aid of estimated precision matrix, we propose a new test statistic for the two-sample mean problems by replacing the inverse of sample covariance matrix in Hotelling test by the estimated precision matrix. The proposed test is applicable for both the low dimensional setting each high dimensional setting even if the dimension of the data exceeds the sample size. The limiting null distributions of the proposed test statistic under both null and alternative hypotheses are derived. We further derive the asymptotical power function of the proposed test and compare its asymptotic power with some existing tests. We found the estimation error of the precision matrix does not have impact on the asymptotical power function. Moreover, asymptotic relative efficiency of the proposed test and compare its asymptotic proposed test and compare its asymptotic relative flicinety of the proposed test on the case of the control of the dimension of data to the sample size tends to 1. We conduct Monte Carlo simulation study to assess the finite sample performance of the proposed precision matrix estimation procedure and the proposed piction matrix estimation procedure and the proposed destined to she to the finite performance of the proposed test and control of the distribution of the proposed test and control of the distribution of the distribution of the proposed test and control of the distribution of the proposed test and control of the distribution of

Prof. Li's research interest includes variable selection and feature screening for high dimensional data, nonparametric modeling and semiparametric modeling and their application to social behavior science research. He is also interested in longitudinal data analysis and survival data analysis and their application to biomedical data analysis, Since 2018, he is the Eberly Family Chair Professor of Statistics. He received his NSF Career Award in 2004. He is a fellow of IMS, ASA and AASA. He was co-editor of Annals of Statistics, and served as associate delitor of Annals of Statistics and Statistics also fine the currently serves as associate delitor of JASA and Journal of Multivariate Analysis.

4 UM DISTINGUISHED VISITING SCHOLAR SEMINAR

- Topic: A New Test for high dimensional two-sample mean problems with consideration of correlation structure
- Speakers: Prof. Runze LI, Eberly Family Chair Professor in Statistics, The Pennsylvania State University
- Date: 11 June 2024 (Tuesday)
- Time: 15:00 16:30 Venue: E22-G008
- · Host: Prof. Wenyang ZHANG, Chair Professor of **Business Intelligence and Analytics**

All academic staff, students, and interested parties are welcome to join!

For more details, please visit:

https://fba.um.edu.mo/um-distinguished-visiting-scholarseminar-a-new-test-for-high-dimensional-two-samplemean-problems-with-consideration-of-correlationstructure-by-prof-runze-li/

5 FBA SEMINAR SERIES 123

- · Topic: Comparison and Evaluation of Long-Term Performance of Investment Strategies
- Speaker: Prof. Raymond KAN, National Bank Financial Professor in Capital Markets, Professor of Finance, University of Toronto
- Date: 28 June 2024 (Friday) Time: 10:30 am - 12:00 pm
- Venue: E22-G015
- · Host: Prof. Endong YANG, Assistant Professor in **Finance**

All academic staff, students, and interest parties are welcome to join!

For more details, please visit: https://fba.um.edu.mo/fba-seminar-series-123/

