Department of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences

Marquette University

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Course: MATH 4931/MSSC 5931. Topics in Mathematics or Statistics. 3 cr. hrs. Topic: Bayesian Statistical Learning Time: TuTh 5:00 pm - 6:15 pm Place: Cudahy Hall 120 Instructor: Daniel B. Rowe, Ph.D. Office Hours: TuTh 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Office: CU 313 E-mail: daniel.rowe@marquette.edu Required text: None. Course material will be presented via lecture sliced or handouts. Grading: Grades will be based upon homework that you present in class. MATH 4931/MSSC 5931: Students in MSSC 5931 will have additional assignments.

Events and probabilities of events. Conditional probability and Bayes' rule. Common discrete and continuous likelihood and prior distributions. Maximum likelihood parameter estimation. The bivariate normal, bivariate Student-t, and normal-inverse gamma distributions. Conditional and marginal distributions. Subjective assessment of prior information. Conjugate and non-conjugate prior distributions. Maximum a posteriori and marginal mean estimation. Bayesian estimation of the binomial probability of success. Bayesian estimation of the mean of a normal distribution. Bayesian estimation of the least squares regression coefficients. **Bayesian LASSO regression Bayesian classification.** Markov chain Monte Carlo numerical integration. All topics and assignments will have a computational aspect. Additional topics if time permitting.