

A novel probabilistic approach to counterfactual reasoning in system safety

A Ruiz-Tagle, E Lopez-Droguett, KM Groth - Reliability Engineering & System Safety, 2022

Safety-critical systems cannot afford to wait for data from multiple high-consequence events to become available in order to inform safety recommendations. Counterfactual reasoning has been widely used in system safety to address this ...

Causal Determinants of Postoperative Length of Stay in Cardiac Surgery using Causal Graphical Learning

JJR Lee, R Srinivasan, CS Ong, D Alejo, S Schena... - The Journal of Thoracic and ..., 2022

Structured Abstract Objective We aimed to learn the causal determinants of postoperative length of stay (pLOS) in cardiac surgery patients undergoing isolated CABG or AVR surgery. Methods For patients undergoing isolated CABG or isolated ...

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MQ Wilber, J DeMarchi, NH Fefferman, MJ Silk - Journal of Animal Ecology, 2022

Many pathogens of public health and conservation concern persist in host communities. Identifying candidate maintenance and reservoir species is therefore a central component of disease management. The term maintenance species implies ...

Robust Methods for Quantifying the Effect of A Continuous Exposure from Observational Data

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