

April 8-11, Groningen, The Netherlands



Program

# **Conference-at-a-Glance**



# Wednesday – April 8 Tutorials & Workshops

## 9.00-17.00h

- Workshop: Interactive Task Learning John Laird & Kevin Gluck
- Tutorial: Nengo, Neural Engineering, and Cognition – Terry Stewart & Peter Blouw

# 13.00-17.00h

 Tutorial: Computational Models and Simulation of Classical Conditioning – Eduardo Alonso & Esther Mondragon

# Thursday – April 9

Day 1

8:15 Registration

**8:45-9:00h** Welcome

9.00-10.00h Keynote: Mark Steyvers

10.00-10.40h Talks: Connectionist Models - Coffee & Tea Break -

**11.10-12.30h** *Talks:* Model Formalization

12.30-14.00h Poster Session I & Lunch

**14.00-15.30h** *Symposium*: Neural Correlates of Cognitive Models

- Coffee & Tea Break -

**16.00-17.00h** *Talks:* Social Cognition

18.00h Reception @ Academy Building

### Friday - April 10 Day 2

8:30 Registration

9.00-10.00h Keynote: Pieter R. Roelfsema

**10.00-10.40h** *Talks:* Exploration & Surprise

- Coffee & Tea Break -

**11.10-12.30h** *Talks:* Memory

**12.30-14.00h** Lunch on your own

**14.00-15.00h** NWO Open Access Symposium: Open Access for Cognitive Models

**15.00-16.00h** *Talks:* Perception & Working Memory

**16.00-17.30h** Poster Session II & Drinks

**19.30h** Conference Dinner

# Saturday – April 11 Day 3

8:30 Registration

9.00-10.00h Keynote: John R. Anderson

10.00-10.40h Talks: Decision Making

- Coffee & Tea Break -

**11.10-12.30h** *Talks*: Human-Computer Interaction

**12.30-14.00h** Lunch on your own

**14.00-15.30h** *Symposium:* Unified Theories of Cognition: Newell's Vision after

- Coffee & Tea Break -

25 Years

**16.00-17.00h** *Talks:* Distraction & Fatigue

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#### Wednesday – April 8

#### **Tutorials & Workshops**

#### Workshop: Interactive Task Learning (9.00 - 17.00h)

John Laird & Kevin Gluck

Advances in Artificial Intelligence, Cognitive Science, and Robotics are leading us to future autonomous systems that will have the cognitive and physical capabilities to perform a wide variety of tasks, with applications across science, health care, business, military, home, and entertainment. How will these robotic and agent systems learn the unanticipated and evolving complex tasks we want them to perform? Although many related areas of science and technology will play a role in answering this question, the focus of this workshop is on how cognitive modeling research can inform the quest for achieving interactive task learning – agents and robots acquiring new tasks through natural interactions with humans. What capabilities can we identify and model in humans that enable (and are potentially necessary for) interactive task learning, what are the most important relevant successes so far, and what are the most important research challenges that need to be addressed?

We seek a balance between thought-provoking keynote-style presentations and active participation by workshop attendees in producing answers to the three questions mentioned above in the abstract.

#### Tutorial: Nengo, Neural Engineering, and Cognition (9.00 - 17.00h)

Terry Stewart & Peter Blouw

This tutorial introduces the Neural Engineering Framework, a general-purpose method for implementing computational algorithms using realistic spiking neurons. It has been used to develop biologically realistic models of visual processing, motor control, planning, mental arithmetic, and analogy, as well as Spaun, the first large-scale brain simulation capable of performing multiple tasks. In this tutorial, we cover the underlying theoretical framework while giving hands-on examples of building and running models using Nengo, our cross-platform open-source neural simulation software. Participants will be expected to bring a laptop and follow along.

While we have provided this tutorial in the past, there are two major differences this year. First, the newest version of Nengo has extensive support for running on different hardware such as GPUs, allowing for significantly larger neural models. Secondly, these larger models allow for more complex cognitive models, including novel approaches to linguistic processing and complex rule following.

#### Tutorial: Computational Models and Simulation of Classical Conditioning (13.00 – 17.00h)

Eduardo Alonso & Esther Mondragon

It is widely accepted that classical conditioning is at the basis of most learning phenomena and behavior and thus paramount that we understand well how its mechanisms have been modeled computationally. This tutorial will focus on two influential implementations, namely Rescorla and Wagner's model (RW) and Temporal Difference (TD, aka Reinforcement Learning). In the first hour we will present the fundamentals of classical conditioning and error-correction learning, and explain in more detail how these are instantiated in both trialbased (RW) and real-time (TD) representations. The next two hours will be dedicated to run simulations of the two models in specialized software, RW Simulator and TD Simulator respectively. The tutees will learn the basics of their functioning, how to input data (experimental designs, parameter values) and how to interpret output against a selected collection of experimental data as well as with regards to novel predictions.

#### Day 1

#### 8.15 Registration

#### 8.45 Welcome

Niels Taatgen, Marieke van Vugt, Jelmer Borst, & Katja Mehlhorn

**9.00** *Keynote*: Combining Human Judgments in General Knowledge and Forecasting Tasks Mark Steyvers, University of California, Irvine

#### 10.00 Talks: Connectionist Models

#### A Connectionist Semantic Network Modeling the Influence of Category Member Distance on Induction Strength

Michael Vinos, Efthymios Tsilionis, & Athanassios Protopapas ALLEN NEWELL AWARD - HONORABLE MENTION

**Explorations in Distributed Recurrent Biological Parsing** Terrence Stewart, Peter Blouw, & Chris Eliasmith

#### 10.40 - Break -

#### 11.10 Talks: Model Formalization

**Abstraction of analytical models from cognitive models of human control of robotic swarms** Katia Sycara, Christian Lebiere, Yulong Pei, Don Morrison, Yuqing Tang, & Michael Lewis

A Method for Building Models of Expert Cognition in Naturalistic Environments Korey MacDougall, Matthew Martin, Nathan Nagy, & Robert West

Mathematical Formalization and Optimization of an ACT-R Instance-Based Learning Model Nadia Said, Michael Engelhart, Christian Kirches, Stefan Körkel, & Daniel V. Holt

A specification-aware modeling of mental model theory for syllogistic reasoning Yutaro Sugimoto & Yuri Sato

- **12.30 Poster Session I & Lunch (provided)** see next page for a listing of posters
- **14.00** Symposium: Neural Correlates of Cognitive Models Marcel van Gerven, Sennay Ghebreab, Guy Hawkins, & Jelmer Borst
- 15.30 Break –

#### 16.00 Talks: Social Cognition



The Role of Simple and Complex Working Memory Strategies in the Development of First-order False Belief Reasoning: A Computational Model of Transfer of Skills

Burcu Arslan, Stefan Wierda, Niels Taatgen, & Rineke Verbrugge ALLEN NEWELL AWARD - HONORABLE MENTION

A Two-level Computational Architecture for Modeling Human Joint Action Jens Pfau, Liz Sonenberg, & Yoshi Kashima

Metacognition in the Prisoner's Dilemma

Christopher Stevens, Niels Taatgen, & Fokie Cnossen

#### 18.00 Welcome Reception @ Academy Building

#### Thursday – April 9

#### Day 1 - Poster Session I

- 1. Modeling the Workload Capacity of Visual Multitasking Leslie Blaha, James Cline, & Tim Halverson
- 2. SIMCog-JS: Simplified Interfacing for Modeling Cognition JavaScript Tim Halverson, Brad Reynolds, & Leslie Blaha
- 3. Modeling Password Entry on a Mobile Device Melissa Gallagher & Mike Byrne
- 4. Fast-Time User Simulation for Dynamic HTML-based Interfaces Marc Halbrügge
- 5. Cognitive Modelling for the Prediction of energy-relevant Human Interaction with Buildings Jörn von Grabe
- 6. Visual Search of Displays of Many Objects: Modeling Detailed Eye Movement Effects with Improved EPIC David E. Kieras, Anthony Hornof, & Yunfeng Zhang
- 7. An Adaptable Implementation of ACT-R with Refraction in Constraint Handling Rules Daniel Gall & Thom Frühwirth
- 8. Supraarchitectural Capability Integration: From Soar to Sigma Paul S. Rosenbloom
- **9.** Populating ACT-R's Declarative Memory with Internet Statistics Daniela Link & Julian Marewski
- **10. Tracking memory processes during ambiguous symptom processing in sequential diagnostic reasoning** Agnes Scholz, Josef Krems, & Georg Jahn
- **11. Mathematical modeling of cognitive learning and memory** Vipin Srivastava & Suchitra Sampath
- **12.** Modeling Choices at the Individual Level in Decisions from Experience Neha Sharma & Varun Dutt
- **13. Expectations in the Ultimatum Game** Peter Vavra, Luke Chang, & Alan Sanfey
- 14. Quantifying Simplicity: How to Measure Sub-Processes and Bottlenecks of Decision Strategies Using a Cognitive Architecture Hanna Fechner, Lael Schooler, & Thorsten Pachur
- **15.** Reducing the Attentional Blink by Training: Testing Model Predictions Using EEG Trudy Buwalda, Jelmer Borst, Marieke van Vugt, & Niels Taatgen
- **16. Explaining Eye Movements in Program Comprehension using jACT-R** Sebastian Lohmeier, & Nele Russwinkel
- **17.** Affordances based k-TR Common Coding Pathways for Mirror and Anti-Mirror Neuron System Models Karthik Mahesh Varadarajan
- **18. Functional Cognitive Models of Malware Identification** Christian Lebiere, Stefano Bennati, Robert Thomson, Paulo Shakarian, & Eric Nunes
- 19. The value of time: Dovetailing dynamic modeling and dynamic empirical measures to conceptualize the processes underlying delay discounting decisions Stefan Scherbaum, Simon Frisch, & Maja Dshemuchadse
- **20.** Combining Dynamic Modeling and Continuous Behavior to Explore Diverging Accounts of Selective Attention Simon Frisch, Maja Dshemuchadse, Thomas Goschke, & Stefan Scherbaum

#### Friday – April 10

#### Day 2

#### 8.30 Registration

9.00 *Keynote*: Interactions between attention and reward for the guidance of plasticity, learning and memory

Pieter R. Roelfsema, Netherlands Institute for Neuroscience

#### 10.00 Talks: Exploration & Surprise

**Exploration-Exploitation in a Contextual Multi-Armed Bandit Task** Eric Schulz, Emmanouil Konstantinidis, & Maarten Speekenbrink

Predicting Surprise Judgments from Explanation Graphs Meadhbh Foster & Mark Keane ALLEN NEWELL AWARD - HONORABLE MENTION

10.40 - Break -

#### 11.10 Talks: Memory



**Reconciling two computational models of working memory in aging** Violette Hoareau, Benoit Lemaire, Sophie Portrat, & Gaen Plancher **ALLEN NEWELL AWARD - HONORABLE MENTION** 



Stability of Individual Parameters in a Model of Optimal Fact Learning Florian Sense, Friederike Behrens, Rob R. Meijer, & Hedderik van Rijn ALLEN NEWELL AWARD - BEST STUDENT PAPER

**Spontaneous Retrieval for Prospective Memory: Effects of Encoding Specificity and Retention Interval** Justin Li & John Laird

Holographic Declarative Memory and the Fan Effect: A Test Case for A New Memory Module for ACT Matthew Kelly, Kam Kwok, & Robert West

#### 12.30 - Lunch on your own -

#### **14.00** *NWO Open Access Symposium*: Open Access for Cognitive Models Dario Salvucci & Caspar Addyman

15.00 Talks: Perception & Working Memory

**Modeling Two-Channel Speech Processing with the EPIC Cognitive Architecture** David E. Kieras, Gregory H. Wakefield, Eric R Thompson, Nandini Iyer, & Brian D. Simpson

#### How does prevalence shape errors in complex tasks?

Enkhbold Nyamsuren, Han van der Maas, & Niels Taatgen

When and Why Does Visual Working Memory Capacity Depend on the Number of Visual Features Stored: An Explanation in Terms of an Oscillatory Model Krzysztof Andrelczyk, Adam Chuderski, & Tomasz Smolen

#### 16.00 Poster Session II

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#### 19.30 Conference Dinner

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#### Friday – April 10

#### Day 2 - Poster Session II

- 1. How should we evaluate models of segmentation in artificial language learning? Raquel G. Alhama, Remko Scha, & Willem Zuidema
- 2. A constraint-based approach to pronoun interpretation in Italian Margreet Vogelzang, Hedderik van Rijn, & Petra Hendriks
- 3. Investigating the semantic representation of Chinese emotion words with co-occurrence data and selforganizing maps neural networks Yueh-lin Tsai, Hsueh Chih Chen, & Jon-fan Hu
- 4. Understanding the Misunderstood David Tobinski & Oliver Kraft
- 5. Towards a unified reasoning theory: An evaluation of the Human Reasoning Module in Spatial Reasoning Matthias Frorath, Rebecca Albrecht, & Marco Ragni
- 6. The Ship of Theseus: Using mathematical and computational models for predicting identity judgments Tuna Çakar & Annette Hohenberger
- 7. Modelling insight: The case of the nine-dot problem Thomas Ormerod, Patrice Rusconi, Adrian Banks, & James MacGregor
- 8. Cognitive Models Predicting Surprise in Robot Operators David Reitter, Yang Xu, Patrick Craven, Anikó Sándor, R. Chris Garrett, E. Vince Cross, & Jerry L. Franke
- 9. Cue confusion and distractor prominence explain inconsistent effects of retrieval interference in human sentence processing Felix Engelmann, Lena Jaeger, & Shravan Vasishth
- **10. A spreading activation model of a discrete free association task** Vencislav Popov
- **11.** Fail fast or succeed slowly: Good-enough processing can mask interference effects Bruno Nicenboim, Felix Engelmann, Katja Suckow, & Shravan Vasishth
- **12. Evaluating Instance-based Learning in Multi-cue Diagnosis** Christopher Myers, Kevin Gluck, Jack Harris, Vladislav Veksler, Thomas Mielke, & Rachel Boyd
- **13. The Influence of Cognitive Strategies on Performance in Working Memory Tasks** Menno Nijboer, Jelmer Borst, Hedderik van Rijn, & Niels Taatgen
- **14.** Numerical Induction beyond Calculation: An fMRI Study in Combination with a Cognitive Model Xiuqin Jia, Peipeng Liang, Xiaolan Fu, & Kuncheng Li
- **15.** Is it lie aversion, risk-aversion, or IRS aversion? Modeling deception under risk and no risk Tei Laine, Tomi Silander, Kayo Sakamoto, & Ilya Farber
- **16.** Should Androids Dream of Electric Sheep? Mechanisms for Sleep-dependent Memory Consolidation George Kachergis, Roy de Kleijn, & Bernhard Hommel
- **17.** Social Categorization Through the Lens of Connectionist Modeling Andre Klapper, Iris van Rooij, Ron Dotsch, & Daniel Wigboldus

#### Saturday – April 11

#### Day 3

#### 8.30 Registration

9.00 *Keynote*: The Sequential Structure of Thought John R. Anderson, Carnegie Mellon University

#### 10.00 Talks: Decision Making

**Speed-accuracy trade-off behavior: Response caution adjustment or mixing task strategies?** Leendert van Maanen

#### An Instrumental Cognitive Model for Speeded and/or Simple Response Tasks

Royce Anders, F.-Xavier Alario, & Leendert van Maanen

#### 10.40 - Break -

#### 11.10 Talks: Human-Computer Interaction

Password Entry Errors: Memory or Motor? Kristen Greene & Franklin Tamborello

Toward Expert Typing in ACT-R Robert St. Amant, Prairie Rose Goodwin, Ignacio Dominguez, & David Roberts

#### A Predictive Model of Human Error based on User Interface Development Models and a Cognitive Architecture

Marc Halbrügge, Michael Quade, & Klaus-Peter Engelbrecht

An Activation-Based Model of Routine Sequence Errors Laura Hiatt & Greg Trafton

#### 12.30 – Lunch on your own –

**14.00** *Symposium*: Unified Theories of Cognition: Newell's Vision after 25 Years Glenn Gunzelmann, Paul Rosenbloom, Dario Salvucci, & Marieke van Vugt

#### 15.30 - Break -

#### 16.00 Talks: Distraction & Fatigue

**Modeling mind-wandering: a tool to better understand distraction** Marieke van Vugt, Niels Taatgen, Jérôme Sackur, & Mikaël Bastian

**Two Ways to Model the Effects of Sleep Fatigue on Cognition** Christopher Dancy, Frank Ritter, & Glenn Gunzelmann

A Model of Distraction using new Architectural Mechanisms to Manage Multiple Goals Niels Taatgen, Ioanna Katidioti, Jelmer Borst, & Marieke van Vugt

#### 17.00 End of Conference