

MODVIS 2023

VSS satellite workshop on Computational and Mathematical Models in Vision

May 18-19

Blue Heron room, Tradewinds Island Grand Resort
(upstairs from the main lobby - NOT the usual location!)

Overview

Thursday May 18

9:00-10:00: Session 1 - ***Objects and Shape***

10:00-10:30: Coffee break

10:30-11:50: Session 2 - ***Attention and Saliency***

11:50-12:00: Business meeting

12:00-2:00: Lunch on your own

2:00-3:20: Session 3 - ***Perceptual Space and Grouping***

3:20-4:00: Coffee break

4:00-5:20: Session 4 - ***Tools in Neuroscience***

5:20 - 5:40: Coffee Break

5:40 - 6:25: Keynote Lecture

6:25 - 6:40: Discussion

Friday May 19

9:00-10:00: Session 5 - ***Analytical Methods***

10:15-10:30: Coffee break

10:15-11:45: Session 6 - ***Symposium on Fixational Eye Movements***

Thursday 9:00 – 10:00: **Objects and Shape**

Moderator: **Anne Sereno**

9:00 – 9:20: **Efficient Coding of Local 2D Shape**

James Elder¹, Timothy D. Oleskiw^{2,3}, Ingo Fruend⁴, Gerick M. Lee², Andrew Sutter^{2,5}, Anitha Pasupathy⁶, Eero Simoncelli^{2,3}, J. Anthony Movshon², Lynne Kiorpes² and Najib Majaj².

[1] York University, [2] New York University, [3] Flatiron Institute Center for Computational Neuroscience; [4] Verbally GmbH; [5] Drew University; [6] University of Washington

9:20 – 9:40: **Efficient Perception of Physical Object Properties With Visual Heuristics**

Vivian C. Paulun¹, Florian S. Bayer², Joshua B. Tenenbaum¹ and Roland W. Fleming².

[1] Massachusetts Institute of Technology; [2] Justus Liebig University, Giessen

9:40 – 10:00: **Object Rigidity: Competition and Cooperation Between Motion-energy and Feature-Tracking Mechanisms and Shape-Based Priors**

Akihito Maruya and Qasim Zaidi, Graduate Center for Vision Research, State University of New York

10:00 – 10:30: Coffee Break

Thursday 10:30 - 11:50: **Attention and Saliency**

Moderator: **Anne Sereno**

10:30 – 10:50: **A Dynamical Model of Binding in Visual Cortex During Incremental Grouping and Search**

Daniel Schmid, Daniel A. Braun, and Heiko Neumann, Institute for Neural Information Processing, Ulm University

10:50 – 11:10: **V1 Saliency Hypothesis and Central-Peripheral Dichotomy (CPD)**

Zhaoping Li, Max Planck Institute for Biological Cybernetics

11:10 – 11:30: **Modeling the Spread of Object-Based Attention During Free Viewing**

Nicolas Roth¹, Olga Shurygina², Flora Marleen Muscinelli¹, Klaus Obermayer¹ and Martin Rolfs². [1] Technische Universität Berlin; [2] Humboldt-University Berlin;

11:30 – 11:50: **Evaluating Models of Scanpath Prediction**

Matthias Kümmerer and Matthias Bethge, University of Tübingen

11:50 - 12:00: Business meeting

12:00 – 2:00: Lunch break

Thursday 2:00 – 3:20: **Perceptual Space and Grouping**

Moderator: **Qasim Zaidi**

2:00 – 2:20: **From Image Gradients to a Perceptual Metric Space**

Alan Johnston, University of Nottingham

2:20 – 2:40: **Constraining the Binding Problem Using Maps**

Zhixian Han and Anne Sereno, Purdue University

2:40 – 3:00: **How Object Segmentation and Perceptual Grouping Emerge in Noisy Variational Autoencoders**

Ben Lonnqvist, Zhengqing Wu, and Michael H. Herzog, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne

3:00 – 3:20: **A Model for Binocular Fusion**

Jian Ding, University of California, Berkeley

3:20 – 4:00: *Coffee Break*

Thursday 4:00 – 5:20: **Tools in Neuroscience**

Moderator: **Qasim Zaidi**

4:00 – 4:20: **Toward a Manifold Encoding Neural Responses**

Luciano Dyballa¹, Andra M. Rudzite², Mahmood S. Hoseini³, Mishek Thapa⁴, Michael P. Stryker³, Greg D. Field⁴ and Steven W. Zucker¹. [1] Yale University; [2] Duke University; [3] University of California, San Francisco; [4] University of California, Los Angeles;

4:20 – 4:40: **Comprehensive Analysis of the Retinal Cell Contributions to the Human ERG**

Christopher W. Tyler, Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute

4:40 – 5:00: **Automated Delineation of Visual Area Boundaries and Eccentricities by a CNN Using Functional, Anatomical, and Diffusion-Weighted MRI Data**

Noah C. Benson¹, Bogeng Song², Toshikazu Miyata³, Hiromasa Takemura³, and Jonathan Winawer². [1] University of Washington; [2] New York University; [3] Osaka University;

5:00 – 5:20 **The Model 2.0 and Friends: An Interim Report**

Garrison W. Cottrell, Martha Gahl, Shubham Kulkarni, Shashank Venkatramani, Yash Shah, Keyu Long, Xuzhe Zhi, Shivaank Agarwal, Cody Li, Jingyuan He, and Thomas Fischer. University of California, San Diego;

5:20 – 5:40: *Coffee Break*

5:40 – 6:25: Keynote: **Neuro AI Modeling of Human Vision: How to Benchmark Understanding?**

Matthias Bethge, University of Tübingen

6:25 – 6:40: *Discussion (extended discussion possible to 7:00)*

Friday 9:00 – 10:00: **Analytical Methods**

Moderator: **Marianne Maertens**

9:00 – 9:20: **Modeling Pairwise Comparisons for Thurstonian Scaling and Kendall Rank Correlation**

Maarten Wijntjes, *Delft University of Technology*

9:20 – 9:40: **A Signal Detection Model for the Analysis of Continuous Response Gradients and an Application to Confidence Rating Data**

Fabian A. Soto, *Florida International University*

9:40 – 10:00: **Extracting Edges in Space and Time During Visual Fixations**

Lynn Schmittwilken, and **Marianne Maertens**, *Technische Universität Berlin*

Friday 10:15 – 11:45: **Symposium on Fixational Eye Movements**

Moderator: **Jeff Mulligan**

10:15 – 10:30: **Active Encoding of Space Through Time**

Michele Rucci, *University of Rochester* and **Jonathan D. Victor**, *Weill Cornell Medical College*

10:30 – 10:45: **Task-Driven Influences on Fixational Eye Movements**

Jonathan Victor¹, **Yen-Chu Lin**¹ and **Michele Rucci**². [1] *Weill Cornell Medical College*; [2] *University of Rochester*

10:45 – 11:00: **Are Microsaccades the Cause of Attention-Related Modulation in Visual Circuits?**

Richard Krauzlis¹, **Gongchen Yu**¹, **James Herman**² and **Leor Katz**¹. [1] *National Eye Institute*; [2] *University of Pittsburgh*;

11:00 – 11:15: **Physiological Rationale for Fixation Eye-Movements**

Qasim Zaidi¹, **Rob Ennis**¹, **Dingcai Cao**², **Barry Lee**^{1,3}. [1] *Graduate Center for Vision Research, State University of New York*; [2] *University of Illinois at Chicago*; [3] *Max Planck Institute, Göttingen*;

11:15 – 11:45: Panel Discussion

11:45: End of MODVIS 2023