

International Conference on Unconventional Computation 2007
School of Computing, Queen's University
Kingston, Canada
Program

Sunday, August 12, 2007

16:00 Arrival and registration
Evening Welcome reception

Monday, August 13, 2007

8:00 Registration
8:45 Opening
9:00 Keynote lecture: How Neural Computing Can Still be Unconventional After All These Years
Professor Michael Arbib, University of Southern California
10:00 Break

UC'07 Session 1 Chair: TBA

10:30 *Agudelo, J.C. and Carnielli, W.*
 Unconventional Models of Computation Through Non-Standard Logic Circuits
11:00 *Aono, M. and Hara, M.*
 Living Amoeba-Based Neurocomputer Can Break Through Deadlock
11:30 *Arulanandham, J.J.*
 Unconventional Stateless Turing-like Machines
12:00 Lunch

Workshop on Unconventional Computational Problems

Organizers: Marius Nagy and Naya Nagy (Queen's University)

13:30 *Nagy, M. and Akl, S.G.*
 Parallelism in Quantum Information Processing Defeats the Universal Computer
14:00 *Drzadzewski, G. and Wineberg, M.*
 Comparing Minimum Neighbourhood Evaluation Schemes for Finding Spatially Robust
 Solutions
14:30 *Drzadzewski, G. and Wineberg, M.*
 How Solution Density Affects the Finding of Spatially Robust Solutions
15:00 Break
15:30 *Hamann, H. and Worn, H.*
 Embodied Computation
16:00 *Jafar, S. and Wainer, G.A.*
 An Environment for Advanced Parallel Simulation of Cellular Models
16:30 *Nagy, N. and Akl, S.G.*
 Authenticated Quantum Key Distribution without Classical Communication
17:00 *Juan Frausto-Solis and Ernesto Liñán-García*
 MultiQuenching-Simulated Annealing Algorithm applied to the Protein Folding Problem
Evening Free (Suggestion: Haunted Walk)

Tuesday, August 14, 2007

UC'07 Session 2 Chair: TBA

9:00 *Freund, R., Paun, G., and Perez-Jimenez, M.J.*
 Polarizationless P Systems with Active Membranes Working in the Minimally Parallel
 Mode
9:30 *Goldfarb, L.*

	On One Unconventional Framework for Computation
10:00	<i>Ishdorj, T.-O. and Petre, I.</i> Computing Through Gene Assembly
10:30	Break
11:00	<i>Khalid, S., Shah, S.I., and Ahmad, J.</i> Learning Vector Quantization Network for PAPR Reduction in Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing Systems
11:30	<i>Khan, A., Bashir, S., Naceni, M., Shah, S.I., and Sheikh, A.</i> Binary Ant Colony Algorithm for Symbol Detection in a Spatial Multiplexing System
12:00	Lunch
14:00	Tutorial : Quantum Information Processing <i>Professor Gilles Brassard, Université de Montréal</i>
Evening	Free (Suggestion: 1000 Island Cruise)

Wednesday, August 15, 2007

9:00	Keynote lecture: Organic User Interfaces (Oui!): Designing Computers in Any Way Shape or Form <i>Professor Roel Vertegaal, Queen's University</i>
10:00	Break

UC'07 Session 3 Chair: TBA

10:30	<i>Nagy, N. and Akl, S.G.</i> Quantum Authenticated Key Distribution
11:00	<i>Pacheco, J. and Costa, J.F.</i> The Abstract Immune System Algorithm
11:30	<i>Prost, F.</i> Taming Non-Compositionality Using New Binders
12:00	Lunch
13:30	Presentation on UC '08 by Professor Rudolf Freund, Vienna University of Technology

Workshop on Language Theory in Biocomputing

Organizers: Michael Domaratzki (University of Manitoba)
and Kai Salomaa (Queen's University)

14:00	<i>Ishdorj, T.-O., Loos, R., and Petre, I.</i> Computational Efficiency of Intermolecular Gene Assembly
14:30	<i>Kari, L. and Mahalingam, K.</i> Watson-Crick Bordered Words and Their Syntactic Monoid
15:00	<i>Balan, M.S.</i> Automaton Models Inspired by Peptide Computing
15:30	Break
16:00	<i>Daley, M., McQuillan, I., and McQuillan, J.M.</i> Theoretical and Computational Properties of Transpositions
16:30	<i>Biegler, F., Daley, M., and Locke, M.E.O.</i> Computation by Annotation: Modelling Epigenetic Regulation
17:00	<i>Jack, J., Romero-Campero, F., Perez-Jimenez, M., Ibarra, O.H., and Paun, A.</i> Simulating Apoptosis Using Discrete Methods: A Membrane System and a Stochastic Approach
Evening	Sunset Ceremony at Fort Henry

Thursday, August 16, 2007

9:00	Keynote lecture: Nanocomputing by Self-Assembly <i>Professor Lila Kari, University of Western Ontario</i>
10:00	Break

UC'07 Session 4 Chair: TBA

- 10:30 *Rabenal, P., Rodriguez, I. and Rubio, F.*
 Using River Formation Dynamics to Design Heuristic Algorithms
- 11:00 *Schoening, U.*
 Principles of Stochastic Local Search
- 11:30 *Szeto, K.Y.*
 Spatial and Temporal Resource Allocation for Adaptive Parallel Genetic Algorithm
- 12:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Tutorial: Wireless Ad hoc and Sensor Networks—Challenges and Opportunities
 Professor Hossam Hassanein, Queen's University
- Evening Conference Banquet

Friday, August 17, 2007

- 9:00 Keynote lecture: Algorithmic Cooling: Putting a New Spin on the Identification of Molecules
 Professor Tal Mor, Technion—Israel Institute of Technology
- 10:00 Break

UC'07 Session 5 Chair: TBA

- 10:30 *Velez, M. and Ospina, J.*
 Gravitational Topological Quantum Computation
- 11:00 *Wiesner, K. and Crutchfield, J.P.*
 Computation in quantum dynamical systems
- 11:30 *Yang, L., Dang, Z., and Ibarra, O.H.*
 Bond Computing Systems: a Biologically Inspired and High-level Dynamics Model for
 Pervasive Computing
- 12:00 Closing and Lunch

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