

Statistical Mechanics of the Climate System and of Ecosystems

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Programme

Tuesday July 1st

8.00-9.00 Registration - Lecture Theatre 2

Lecture Theatre 2

9.00-9.45 Susanne Ditlevsen: Estimating tipping points in climate and ecosystems

9.45-10.30 Jeffrey Weiss: Nonequilibrium Statistical Mechanics of Climate Oscillations

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10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-12.20
Parallel Sessions

Lecture Theatre 2

Session a) (20 mins presentations)

- Bert Wuyts: Stability and bifurcation analysis for individual-based ecological models
- Davide Bernardi: A novel metric for species vulnerability and coexistence in spatially-extended ecosystems
- Samuel Johnson: Feedback, stability and trophic coherence in complex systems
- Perrin Davidson: Pathways Toward the Onset of Climate-Carbon Cycle Disruptions

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Session b) (20 mins presentations)

- Chris Chapman: The typicality and spatio-temporal structure of extreme climate regimes revealed through Archetype Analysis
- Ofer Shamir (remote): Earth's Infrared Background
- Larissa Serdukova: Influence of extreme events modeled by Lévy flight on Atlantic meridional overturning circulation stability
- Erik Chavez: The role of vegetation ecosystem quality in a bistable climate system

Lecture Theatre 2

14.00-14.45 Andrea Toreti: Climate Multi-Risks across Different Scales

14.45-15.30 Alan Hastings: Synchrony of spatial population dynamics using ideas from statistical physics

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15.30-16.00 Coffee break

16:00-17.00

Parallel Sessions (20 mins presentations)

Lecture Theatre 2

Session a) (20 mins presentations)

- Ulrike Feudel: Critical transitions in complex systems: The role of multiple time scales and unstable states
- Andrey Morozov: Rate-induced tipping in ecological systems: unifying theory and empirical evidence
- Michael Bonsall: Differential games, optimal control and climate change

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Session b) (20 mins presentations)

- Eric Hall: When simulations forget: An information-theoretic burn-in criterion for physical systems with memory
- Francisco de Melo Virissimo: From Chaos to Clarity: Exploring Uncertainty in the Design and Interpretation of Climate Ensembles
- Ruslan Davidchack: Minimal cover of high-dimensional chaotic attractors by embedded recurrent patterns

Special Session: Academic Publishers

Lecture Theatre 2

17.00-17.25 Kyle Welch: Climate and Earth Science in the Physical Review Journals

17.25-17.45 Zoe Budrikis: Climate and ecosystems at Nature Reviews Physics

Total: 20

19.00 - Social Dinner

Wednesday July 2nd

Lecture Theatre 1

9.00-9.45 Silvia De Monte: Fluctuations in complex ecological communities

9.45-10.30 Sandro Azaele: Statistical Mechanics of Ecological Systems

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10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-12.40

Parallel Session

Lecture Theatre 1

Session a) (20 mins presentations)

- Srikanth Toppaladoddi: Sea ice motion as a problem in kinetic theory
- Manuel Santos Gutierrez: Dynamical regimes of droplet activation in warm clouds
- John Moroney: Data-driven construction of linear response operators using a Koopman formalism
- Wyatt Petryshen: Application of Haar Fluctuation Analysis to Infer Drivers in Ecological Time Series

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Session b) (20 mins presentations)

- Ahash Deshmukh: Downscaled Climate Data to Represent Climate Extremes in Europe
- Abdelwaheb Ben Ahmed Hannachi: Weather & climate extremes: simplex, dynamical systems and hull clustering
- Samuel Ogunjo: Feedback, stability and trophic coherence in complex systems
- Viacheslav Kruglov: Numerical Study of Connectivity and Lagrangian Particle Transport in the Pacific Ocean
- Massimo Cavallaro: Spatio-temporal surveillance and early warning signals in infectious disease epidemiology

Lecture Theatre 1

14.00-14.45 Johannes Lohmann: Multistability of the Ocean Circulation

14.45-15.30 Jonathan Daemayer: Atmospheric regimes: definition, transitions and predictability

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15.30-16.00 Coffee break

Lecture Theatre 1

16.00-16.45 Matthew Colbrook: When Can We Trust Data-Driven Learning of Dynamics?

16.45-17.30 Nisha Chandramoorthy (remote): Physical Generative Modeling of Chaotic Systems

18:00 Wine and Cheese reception

Thursday July 3rd

Lecture Theatre 2

9.00-9.45 Juergen Kurths: Climate Meets Complex Systems Science and Statistical Physics: Exploring Teleconnections and Extreme Events in the Climate System

9.45-10.30 Ludovico Giorgini: Response Theory via Score Modeling

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10.30-11.00 Coffee break

11.00-12.40

Parallel Sessions

Lecture Theatre 2

Session a) (20 mins presentations)

- Pedram Hassanzadeh: Can AI emulators predict out-of-distribution gray swan weather extremes?
- Catherine Drysdale: DMD for Predicting First Episode Psychosis
- Ankan Banerjee: Early warning and prediction to critical transitions in a non-autonomous turbulent reactive flow system
- Francesco Ragone: Simulation of extreme events in numerical models with rare event algorithms
- Mickael Chekroun (remote): Equations Discovery of Organized Cloud Fields: Stochastic Generator and Dynamical Insights

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Session b) (20 mins presentations)

- Sergei Petrovskii: Interplay between climate forcing and evolutionary rescue may explain mass extinctions in the Earth history
- Daniel Bearup: Outcomes of long-range cyclic competition are determined by interaction mechanism
- Yu Meng: Dynamical impact of dispersal on biodiversity patterns for three species food web model
- Bukem Belen: Analysis of Present and Future Variability in the Physical Processes of the Black Sea (1950–2100)

- Euijoon Kwon: TBD

Lecture Theatre 2

14.00-14.30 Liubov Tupikina (remote): On some challenges of embedding theory: from topology to the meaning and back

14.30-15.00 Concluding remarks

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15.00-16.00 Coffee break and goodbye