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# Mathematical aspects of brain functions. Compositionality and Synchronization

**9 - 10 ottobre 2006**

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### PROGRAMMA - INVITO

#### Lunedì 9 ottobre

- 9.00 Enrico ARBARELLO, Mina TEICHER: *Introduction to the meeting*  
**Sessione I – Biophysics of computation**

- 9.10 Moshe ABELES: *Space and time scales for studying cortical mechanisms*  
10.00 Toni GUILLAMON: *Mathematical problems arising in conductance estimation*  
10.50 Intervallo  
11.20 Markus DIESMANN: *Spike-timing dependent plasticity in balanced random networks*  
12.10 Theo GEISEL: *Synchronization properties of complex networks - unstable attractors and other puzzles*

**Sessione II – Synchronization in perception and memory**

- 14.00 Edmund ROLLS: *Neuronal encoding and computation for vision, memory, and attention*  
14.50 Misha TSODYKS: *Dynamics of memory associations in attractor neural networks*  
15.40 Intervallo  
16.20 Juergen JOST: *Information theory, non-linear dynamics, and neural networks*  
17.10 Michael HERRMANN: *Information processing in the sensory-motor loop*

#### Martedì 10 ottobre

**Sessione III – Compositionality and the generation of behaviour**

- 9.00 Tamar FLASH: *Geometrical approaches to motion production and perception: compositionality, optimization and brain representation*  
9.50 Emilio BIZZI: *Combining a small number of basic motor elements simplifies the production of movements*  
10.40 Intervallo  
11.20 Francesco BATTAGLIA: *Neural ensemble activity in the rat prefrontal cortex during a*

*decision making task*

12.10 Alessandro TREVES: *Latching dynamics for the composition of recursive sequences*

**Sessione IV – Control and prediction**

14.00 Angela SIRIGU: *Neural basis of movement prediction*

14.50 Tim SHALLICE: *The fractionation of supervisory prefrontal functions: can artificial intelligence offer a guide?*

15.40 Intervallo

16.20 Jacques MEHLER: *What we learn from artificial grammars about the first steps of language acquisition*

17.10 Mina TEICHER: *Concluding remarks*

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