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AGENDA

29 March, 2019

Venue: Deworkacy AOKS

- 09:00 - 09:10 Welcoming Speech by the President of RA
H.E. Armen Sarkissian
- 09:10 - 09:15 Opening Remarks:
Aleksandr Yesayan, UATE Chairman
- 09:15 - 09:20 Rouben Aroutiounian, Academician-secretary of
Division of Natural Sciences of NAS



11:30-12:45

**Session I:
Biological Aspects of Evolution
Chair: P. Hogeweg, E. Szathmary**

09:20-10:05

Evolution of biological complexity: is there a general theory in sight?
Eugene Koonin, National Center for
Biotechnology Information, USA

10:10-10:50

The filial major transitions in evolution,
Eörs Szathmáry, Eötvös Loránd University,
Budapest

- 10:50-11:10 Evolution from cytogenetic point of view ,
Rouben Aroutiounian, Natural Sciences of NAS,
Yerevan, Armenia
- 11:10-11:30 Coffee break
- 11:30-12:15 Theory of directed evolution,
Aleksey Melkikh, Ural Federal University,
Yeketerinburg, Russia
- 12:15-12:45 The genetics of Armenians,
Levon Yepiskoposyan, Institute of Molecular Biology,
NAS, Armenia
- 12:45-14:00. Lunch



14:00-17:00 **Session II:
The Mathematics of Evolution
Chair: O. Rivoire**

- 14:00-14:30 On the Evolution of Permanent Replicator
Systems, Alexander Bratus, Russian
University of Transport, Moscow
- 14:30-15:00 Global Discontinuous Generalized Solution of
the Hamilton-Jacobi Equation with a
Noncoercive Hamiltonian,
Lyubov Shagalova, Krasovskii Institute of

15:00-15:30 The Evolution with Conditions,
David Saakian, Alikhanyan National Laboratory
(YERPHI), Armenia

15:30-16:00 TBD

16:00-16:20 Coffee break

16:20-17:00 I.Nemenman



30 March

09:00-10:50 **Session III: Stochastic Thermodynamics**
Chairs: A. Allahverdyan

9:00-09:45 Kinetics, Information, and Thermodynamics of
Chemical Systems: A New Applied Mathematics for
Complex Systems,
Hong Qian, Washington University, USA

9:45-10:30 Information Thermodynamics,
Juan Parrondo, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

10:30-10:50 Coffee break

- 10:50-13:05 **Session IV: Bio-Complexity**
Chair: Thierry Mora, ENS, Paris
- 10:50-11:35 Multilevel Consistency, Dimension Reduction,
and Slow Dynamics in Biology,
Kunihiko Kaneko, Tokyo University, Japan
- 11:35-12:20 Cell-State Organization by Exploratory
Dynamics,
Erez Brawn, Technion, Israel
- 12:20-13:05 Reciprocity between Robustness and
Plasticity as a Universal Quantitative Law in
Biology
Tetsuhiro Hatakeyama, Tokyo University,
Japan
- 13:05- 14:00 Lunch
- 15:30- 17:00 City tour



31 March

- 09:00-11:10 **Session V: Information and
Complexity Aspects of Evolution**
**Chair: Oliver Rivoire , CIRB, College
de France**

- 09:00-09:45 TBD, Erik wan Nimwegen, University of Basel, Switzerland
- 9:45-10:30 Long- term information integration in Evolution,
Pauline Hogeweg, Utrecht University, the
- 10:30-11:10 Emergence of Leadership in Communication,
Armen Allahverdyan, Alikhanyan National Laboratory
(YERPHI)
- 11:10-11:30 Coffee break



11:30-12:30

**Session VI:
Finite Population Problem in Evolution
Chair: Thierry Mora, ENS, Paris**

11:30-12:00

Some results for Wright-Fisher model,
David Saakian, Alikhanyan National Laboratory
(YERPHI), Armenia

12:00-12:30

Consensus formation with signaling: phase
diagram and comprehension-production
asymmetry,
Shahin Rouhani, Shadid Univ. Tehran, Iran

12:30-13:30

Lunch



**Venue: Kamar'' Business Center
Only for Artificial Intelligence session**

13:30-17-30

**Session VII: Artificial Intelligence
Chair: D. B. Saakian**

13:30-14:15

Evolutionary ideas in AI,
Mikhail Burtsev, FIZTEKH, Moscow, Russian

14:15-15:15

TBD
Matteo Marsili, ICTP, Trieste, Italy

15:15-15:45

Model of Interaction between Learning and Evolution
Vladimir Redko, Scientific Research Institute for System
Analysis, NAR Russia, Moscow, Russia

15:45-16:05

Statistical physics of reinforcement learning,
Edgar Vardanyan, Alikhanyan National Laboratory
(YERPHI)

16:05-16:20

Coffee break

16:20-17:00

AI evolution in IBM technologies
Ivan Kopiev, IBM, Timur Usaty, IBM

17:00-17:30

AI (Skype talk)
Stefan Thurne, Medical University of Vienna, Austria



April 1

10:30-13:30

Session VIII: Phase Transitions in Evolution, and Dynamic Landscapes
Chair:
Ao Ping, Shanghai University, China

10:30-11:00

Paradoxical Persistence - Losing life strategies that can be combined to win, Kang Hao Cheong, Singapore University of Technology and Design

11:00-11:30

Fixation probability on fluctuating landscapes, Tatyana Yakushkina, High School of Economy, Moscow, Russia

11:30-12:15

Evolutionary scenarios for the origin of allostery and coevolution patterns in proteins
Oliver Rivoire , CIRB, College de France

12:15-12:45

Why the emergence of a new species is a rare event: a local dynamics approach from sociophysics,
Serge Galam, CEVIPOF, Centre for Political Science at Sciences Po, Paris

12:45-13:30

Prediction and memory in well-adapting immune systems
Thierry Mora, ENS. Paris

13:30-14:30

Lunch
Trip to Garni, Geghard



April 2

10:30-13:30

**Session IX:
Complexity Aspects of Cancer
Chair: Kunihiro Kaneko, Tokyo
University, Japan**

11:00-11:45

Debunking mathematically the logical fallacy that cancer risk is just "bad luck"
Didier Sornette, ETH, Zurich, Switzerland

11:45-12:30

Frustration Phenomenon of Gene-Gene Interactions in the Cancerous Cells,
G. Reza Jafari, G Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran

12:30-13:00

Synthetic Evolutionary transitions,
Ricard Sole, Barcelona University and Santa Fe Institute, Spain

13:00-13:30

The complexity aspects of cancer,
Ao Ping, Shanghai University, China

13:30-14:30

Lunch
Trip to Edjmiadsin



April 3

09:00-16:40

**Session XI: Disordered Quantum matter and complexity,
Chair: A. Sedrakian, Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, Germany**

09:00-09:55

Many-body, localization
Dmitry Polyakov, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

9:55-10:50

The statistical physics of Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev model,
Konstantin Tikhonov, Landaw Institute and Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

10:50-11:10

Coffee break

11:10-12:05

Neuromorphic functionality of antiferromagnets
Mikhail Titov, Radboud University, Nijmegen, Netherlands

12:05-13:00

Holographic local quench and effective complexity,
Andrei Bagrov, Radboud University, Nijmegen, Netherlands

13:00-14:00

Lunch



16:00-16:40

Panel discussions

14:00-16:00

Advanced Quantum Physics and Stochastic Thermodynamic aspects of Evolution,
David Saakian, Alikhanyan National Laboratory (YERPHI), Yerevan, Armenia
Erik van Nimwegen, University of Basel, Switzerland

16:00-16:40

Conclusion

Eugene Koonin, National Center for Biotechnology Information, USA

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