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9:00 - 9:15 Welcome

# 9:15 - 9:45 Keynote

Anjali Bhat - DishBrain and immunoception: Active inference at a biological interface

#### 9:45 - 10:30 Presentations

- 9:45 10:00 Reclaiming saliency: rhythmic precision-modulated action and perception Filip Novicky, Ajith Meera, Thomas Parr, Karl Friston, Pablo Lanillos and Noor Sajid
- 10:00 10:15 Preventing Deterioration of Classification Accuracy in Predictive Coding Networks Paul Kinghorn, Beren Millidge and Christopher Buckley
- 10:15 10:30 Interpreting systems as solving POMDPs: a step towards a formal understanding of agency Martin Biehl and Nathaniel Virgo

### 10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

### 11:00 - 12:30 Presentations

- 11:00 11:15 Disentangling Shape and Pose for Object-Centric Deep Active Inference Models Stefano Ferraro, Toon Van de Maele, Pietro Mazzaglia, Tim Verbelen and Bart Dhoedt
- 11:15 11:30 Object-based Active Inference Ruben van Bergen and Pablo Lanillos
- 11:30 11:45 Knitting a Markov blanket is hard when you are out-of-equilibrium: two examples in canonical nonequilibrium models Miguel Aguilera, Ángel Poc-López, Conor Heins and Christopher L Buckley

# Short break

- 12:00 12:15 Spin glass systems as collective active inference Conor Heins, Brennan Klein, Daphne Demekas, Miguel Aguilera and Christopher Buckley
- 12:15 12:30 *Mapping Husserlian phenomenology onto active inference* Mahault Albarracin, Riddhi J Pitliya and Maxwell Ramstead

# 12:30 - 13:00 Poster spotlights

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 - 16:30 Poster session

# **Posters**

- 1. The Role of Valence and Meta-awareness in Mirror Self-recognition Using Hierarchical Active Inference
  - Jonathan Bauermeister and Pablo Lanillos
- 2. World model learning from demonstrations with active inference: application to driving behavior Ran Wei, Alfredo Garcia, Anthony McDonald, Gustav Markkula, Johan Engstrom, Isaac Supeene and Matthew O'Kelly
- 3. Active Blockference: cadCAD with Active Inference for cognitive systems modeling
  Jakub Smékal, Arhan Choudhury, Amit K. Singh, Shady El Damaty and Daniel A. Friedman
- 4. Active Inference Successor Representations
  Beren Millidge and Christopher Buckley
- Learning Policies for Continuous Control via Transition Models
   Justus Huebotter, Serge Thill, Marcel van Gerven and Pablo Lanillos
- 6. Attachment Theory in an Active Inference Framework: How Does Our Inner Model Take Shape? Erica Santaguida and Massimo Bergamasco
- Capsule Networks as Generative Models
   Alex Kiefer, Beren Millidge, Alexander Tschantz and Christopher Buckley
- 8. Home run: finding your way home by imagining trajectories
  Daria de Tinguy, Pietro Mazzaglia, Tim Verbelen and Bart Dhoedt
- 9. A Novel Model for Novelty: Modeling the Emergence of Innovation from Cumulative Culture.

  Natalie Kastel
- 10. Active Inference and Psychology of Expectations: A study of formalizing ViolEx Dhanaraaj Raghuveer and Dominik Endres
- 11. AIXI, FEP-AI, and integrated world models: Towards a unified understanding of intelligence and consciousness
  - Adam Safron
- 12. Intention Modulation for Multi-Step Tasks in Continuous Time Active Inference Matteo Priorelli and Ivilin Peev Stoianov
- Learning Generative Models for Active Inference using Tensor Networks
   Samuel Wauthier, Bram Vanhecke, Tim Verbelen and Bart Dhoedt
- 14. A Worked Example of the Bayesian Mechanics of Classical Objects
  Dalton A R Sakthivadivel
- A message passing perspective on planning under Active Inference Magnus T. Koudahl, Christopher L. Buckley and Bert de Vries
- 16. Efficient search of active inference policy spaces using K-means Alex Kiefer and Mahault Albarracin
- 17. Value Cores for Inner and Outer Alignment: Simulating Personality Formation via Iterated Policy Selection and Preference Learning with Self-World Modeling Active Inference Agents Zahra Sheikhbahaee, Adam Safron, Nick Hay, Jeff Orchard and Jesse Hoey
- 18. Deriving time-averaged active inference from control principles
  Eli Sennesh, Jordan Theriault, Jan-Willem van de Meent, Lisa Barrett and Karen Quigley