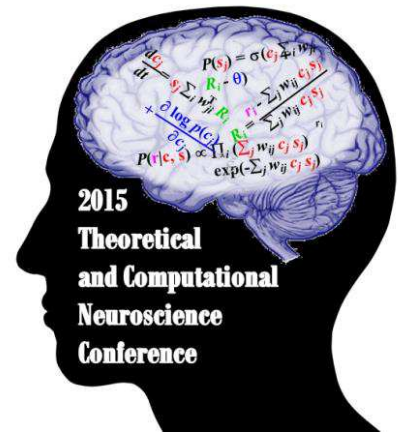


# 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience Conference

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## Conference Agenda

Friday, February 6, 2015

Unless otherwise noted, proceedings will take place in the Auditorium

4:00 pm **Reverse-engineering Common Sense: Modeling Human Intelligence with Probabilistic Programs and Program Induction**

Josh Tenenbaum, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

5:00 pm Reception and Networking

Saturday, February 7, 2015

9:00 am **Welcome and Introduction**

9:10 am **The Private Lives of Neurons**

Nicholas Priebe, University of Texas at Austin

10:00 am **Inferring Rules of Interactions between Neurons from Population Recordings**

Dimitri Yatsenko, Baylor College of Medicine

10:20 am Break

10:40 am **A New Test for Optimal Nonlinear Decoding**

Xaq Pitkow, Baylor College of Medicine and Rice University

11:20 am Group Discussions

11:50 am Lunch and Posters (BRC 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Event Space)

1:10 pm **Learning to Predict**

Larry Abbott, Columbia University

2:00 pm **Stable Reinforcement Learning via Temporal Competition of LTP and LTD Traces**

Marco Huertas, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

2:20 pm Break

2:50 pm **Nanotechnology for Neural Interfaces**

Jacob Robinson, Rice University

3:30 pm Group Discussion and Closing Remarks

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