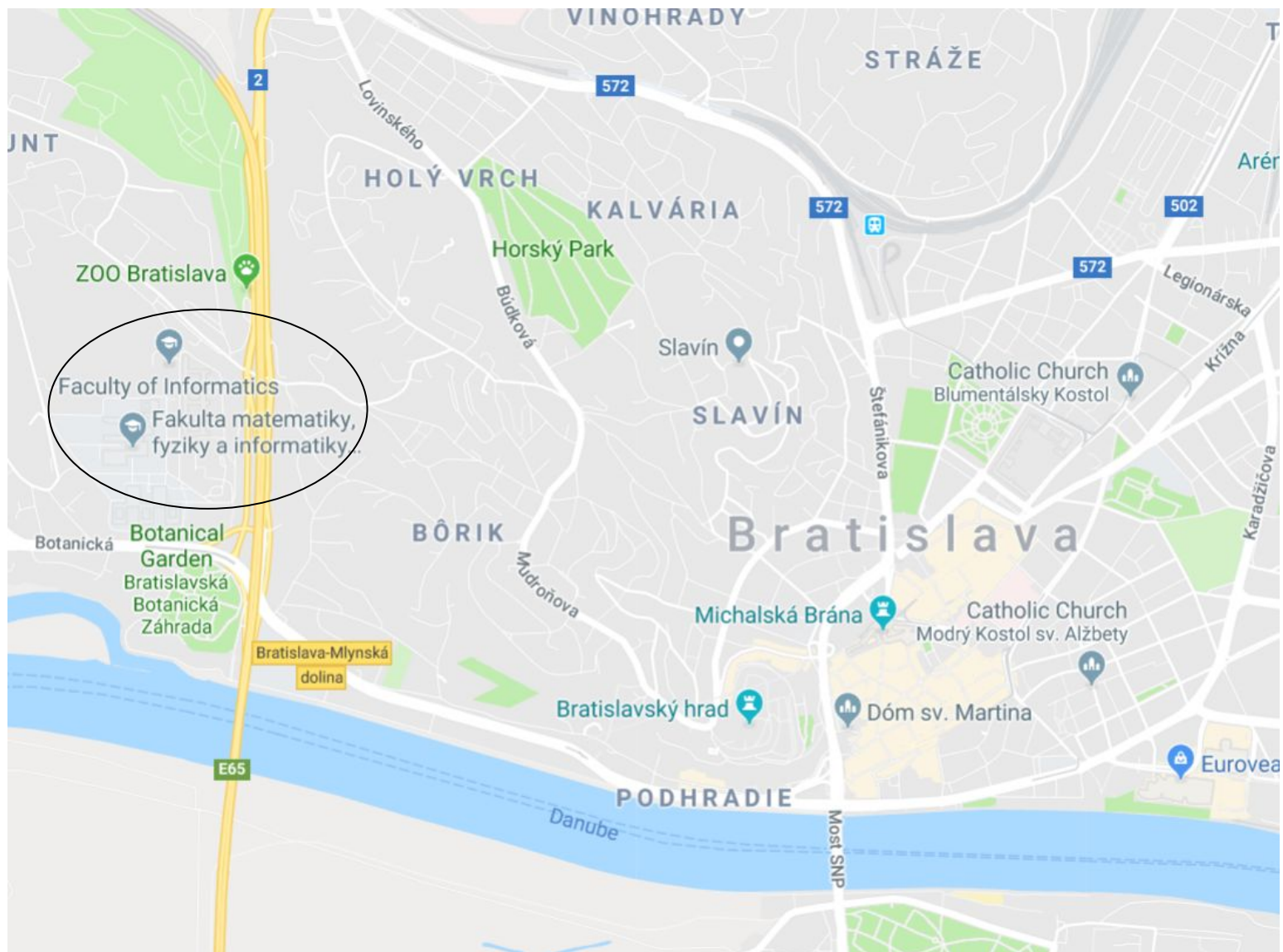


Courses and research in cognitive science in Bratislava

Centre for Cognitive Science

Faculty of Mathematics, Physics and Informatics
Comenius University Bratislava

presentation to MEi:CogSci students
Bratislava, December 6, 2024



A few facts from CogSci history in Bratislava

- Late 1990s – one-day seminars (prof. Kvasnička)
- 1st Slovak monography on cognitive science: Beňušková Ľ. et al.: *Quest for a Common Language in Cognitive Sciences* (in Slovak), Kalligram, 2000.
- 1st Slovak textbook - Rybár J., Beňušková Ľ., Kvasnička V. (eds.): *Kognitívne vedy* (Cognitive Sciences), Kalligram Bratislava 2002.
- Rybár J., Kvasnička V., Farkaš I. (eds.): *Jazyk a kognícia* (Language and Cognition), Kalligram Bratislava 2005.
- Kvasnička V., Trebatický P., Pospichal J., Kelemen J. (eds). *Myseľ, inteligencia a život* (Mind, intelligence and life). STU in Bratislava, 2007.
- Kvasnička V., Kelemen J., Pospichal J. (eds). *Modely mysle* (Models of the mind). Európa Bratislava, 2008

- Annual Czech-Slovak conference *Cognition and Artificial Life* (since 2001)
- CogSci programme at Comenius University – since 2007, in English since 2016
- Slovak cogsci history also on [wiki \(kognitívna veda\)](#)

Centre for Cognitive Science

People at the faculty (FMPI)

- Farkaš Igor – cogsci, AI, robotics
- Takáč Martin – cogsci and AI
- Malinovská Kristína – NNs & cog. robotics
- Gál Tomáš – ethics, AI, ...
- Lucká Mária – math for cogsci
- Zlatoš Pavol – logic for cogsci

Other faculties of Comenius University

- Bakoš Ján, Dr., Faculty of Medicine, hormones, cognition & autism
- Višňovský Emil, prof., Faculty of Philosophy, philosophy of action, of AI
- Cséfalvay Zsolt, prof., Faculty of Education, communication disorders

Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS), Bratislava

- Rosipal Roman – Inst. of Measurement Science
- Marko Martin, Riečanský Igor, – Inst. of Normal and Pathological Physiology
- Čavojová Vladimíra, Šrol Jakub – Inst. of Exper. Psychology
- Poslon Xenia, Urban Kamila, – Inst. for Research in Social Communication

Other universities

- Sýkora Peter, prof., UCM Trnava, bioethics
- Tomašková Silvia, prof., Nitra, philosophy of mind, consciousness
- Špajdel Marián, doc., Trnava, cog. neurosci.

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Community

[SSKV](#): Slovak Society for Cognitive Science
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Igor



Martin



Kristína



The base of MEi:CogSci programme

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Our department, represented by TERAIS project team participated at International Conference on Artificial Neural Networks (ICANN) in Lugano!

ICANN 2024 provided a great platform for our researchers to

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Courses in Bratislava

- New Trends in Cognitive Science (obligatory)
 - Cognitive Semantics ... (M. Takáč)
 - Deep Learning and Cognition (I. Farkaš)
- Elective courses
 - Mathematics for Cognitive Science (M. Lucká)
 - Introduction to Programming (in Python) (K. Malinovská)
 - Introduction to Robotics (P. Petrovič)
 - Philosophy of AI (E. Višňovský)
 - ...
- See the programme [curriculum](#)
- [Catalogue](#) of Erasmus courses at the faculty

Our research in AI and CogSci

Cognition and Neural Computation group

MEi:CogSci



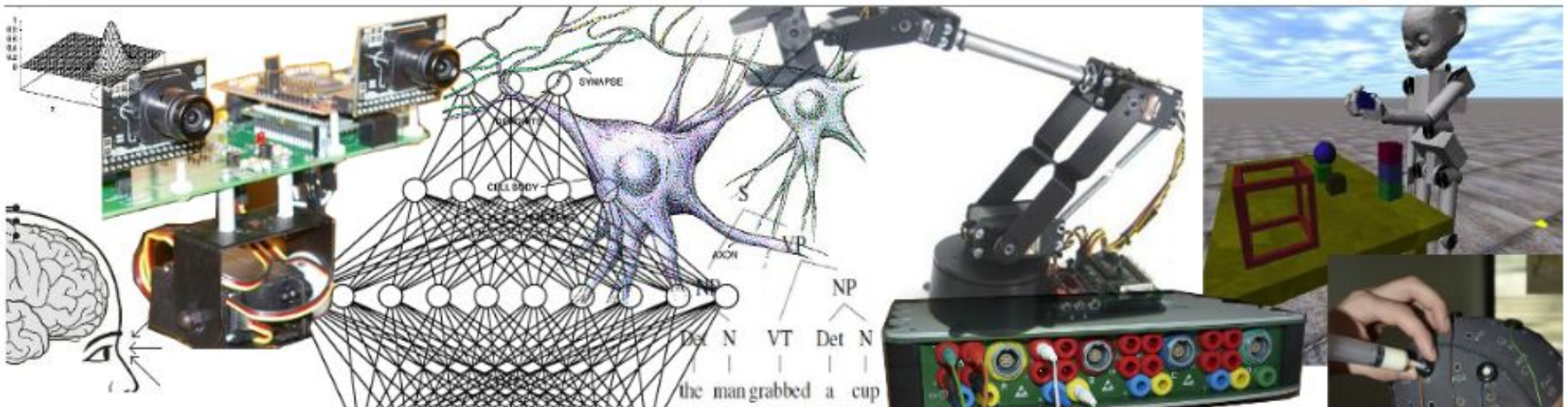
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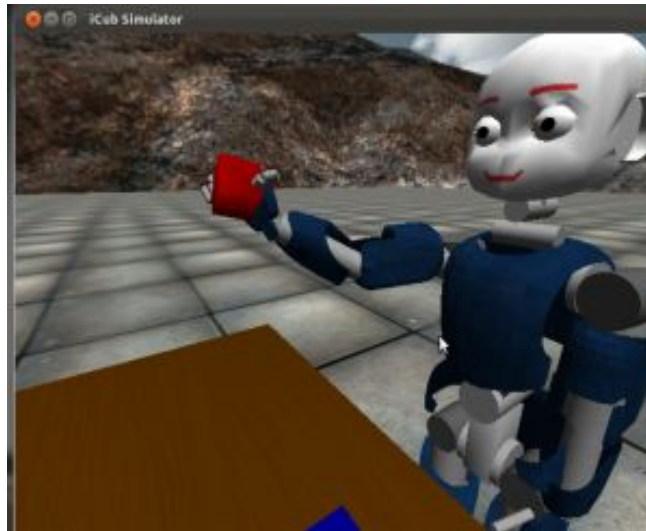
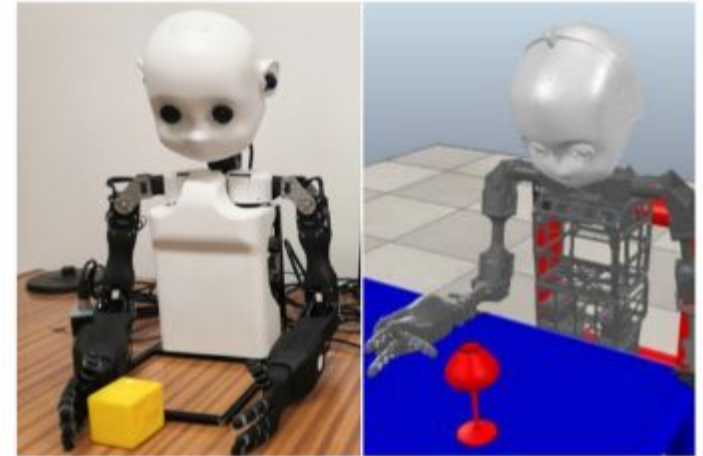


Research:

- computational modeling – of cognitive modeling (with neural networks), cognitive robotics, deep networks, computational analysis of neural network models
- experimental research – human-robot interaction, virtual reality

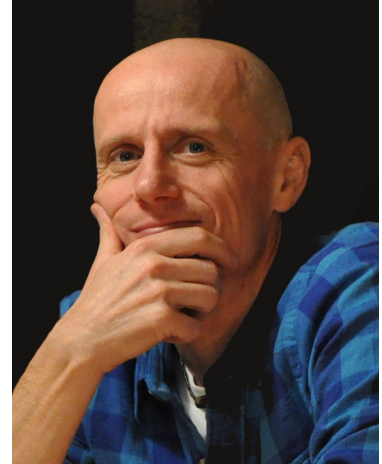
Computational modeling (incl. cog. robotics)

- Machine learning based on artificial neural networks – for vision, motor learning, memory, language, ...
- robotic simulators: iCub, MyGym, Unity VR, Open AI gym and robots: Jupiter & NICO,
- Human-Robot Interaction (TERAIS.eu)



Computational and cognitive neuroscience

Slovak Academy of Sciences
Institute of Measurement Science
[Roman Rosipal, DrSc](#)



- applied machine learning
- EEG/ERP → BCI
- sleep, neural correlates of working memory, vigilance, drowsiness and fatigue monitoring
- Neurorehabilitation in VR (EU project)

Behavioral & cognitive neuroscience

Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
Institute of Normal and Pathological Physiology

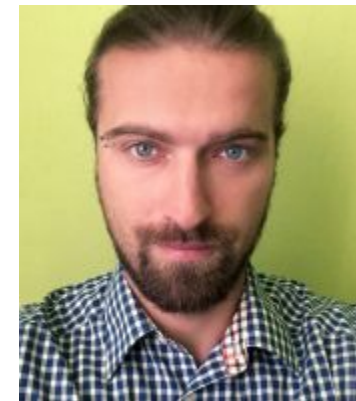
[MUDr. Igor Riečanský, PhD.](#)

- brain mechanisms of mental processes
- cognitive neuroscience, psychology, psychiatry



[Mgr. Martin Marko, PhD.](#)

- memory and semantic networks, control
- transcranial direct/alternating current stimulation (tDCS, tACS)



Developmental neuroscience

Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
Department of Neuroscience
Biomedical Research Center
&
Institute of Physiology, Faculty of Medicine
Comenius University in Bratislava



[Doc. RNDr. Ján Bakoš, PhD.](#)

- study of dopaminergic neurons for neuromotor development and social interactions
- role of exc/inh. neurons in the brain areas relevant for development of social behaviour

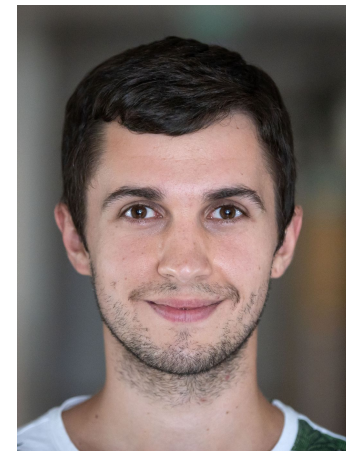
Experimental psychology

Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
Institute of Experimental Psychology

[Dr. Vladimíra Kurincová Čavojová](#)

[Dr. Jakub Šrol](#)

- scientific reasoning, intuitive reasoning
- cognitive biases
- epistemically suspect beliefs
- climate change beliefs



Social psychology and cognition

Slovak Academy of Sciences, Bratislava
Institute for Research in Social Communications

[Kamila Urban, PhD](#)

- developmental psychology, metacognition, creativity, self-regulated learning



[Xenia D. Poslon, PhD](#)

- social psychology, inter-group relations, stereotypes and prejudice
- social cognition, political psychology



Philosophy (of anything :-)

Comenius University Bratislava

Faculty of Arts

[Prof. Emil Višňovský](#)



- humanism, technology, modern society
- philosophy of action, of AI, of virtual reality

Philosophy of mind

Constantine the Philosopher University, Nitra
Department of Philosophy

[Prof. Silvia Tomašková](#)



- philosophy of mind, mind/body problem
- problem of consciousness, the self
- metaphorical language of the "inner self"
- mind in cognitive science

Tonight's destination – Hlavné námestie



- Thank you for your attention!

Useful links

- Program director: Igor Farkaš, <http://cogsci.fmph.uniba.sk/~farkas/>
- Program coordinator for incoming students: Martin Takáč, <http://cogsci.fmph.uniba.sk/~takac/>
- Information for incoming students:
- <http://cogsci.fmph.uniba.sk/meicogsciba/?action=mobilitystudents>
- Erasmus contact person at Faculty: patrik.kmetek@fmph.uniba.sk
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