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FOREWORD

According to some counting, this is our 8th Japan-Slovenia Seminar on Nonlinear Science. The previous ones were as follows:

- 1st: Maribor, July 1999
- 2nd: Maribor, July 2002
- 3rd: Tokyo, November 2002
- 4th: Maribor, July 2003
- 5th: Tokyo and Kyoto, November 2003
- 6th: Maribor, July 2005
- 7th: Novacella, Italy, October 2006

So far our meetings were very successful and contributed in a quite essential manner to the scientific exchange between Japan and Slovenia, especially as the nonlinear science is strongly interdisciplinary, and thus attracts the attention of scientists-researchers in all branches of science. Our motivation is to meet and present the most recent scientific contributions by the top-level researchers in both countries, to discuss the results, to initiate scientific cooperation resulting in joint projects and papers, and to spread the word of our so successful collaboration among the other European countries, especially in European Union.

This year we shall have 20 participants invited speakers from Japan, from the best of Japanese Universities, sixteen speakers from Slovenia and four speakers (guests) from Germany and Austria.

Specifically, we cover the following fields of research: physics, mathematics, astronomy and astrophysics (astrodynamics), biophysics, chemistry, physiology, engineering sciences and economy. For details see the book of abstracts.

The sponsors of our meeting are: *University of Maribor, CAMTP and Faculty of Civil Engineering, Ministry of Higher Education Science and Technology of the Republic of Slovenia, and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science*. The support of these institutions is gratefully acknowledged.

Finally, our activity certainly contributes in an essential way not only to the scientific exchange between the two countries, but also to the general cultural exchange and friendship between the Japanese and Slovenian people. On behalf of the organizers I wish you a very successful and pleasant stay in Maribor.

Professor Dr. Marko Robnik, Director of CAMTP, Maribor, 12 June 2007

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Abstracts

Characterization of large fluctuations in non-hyperbolic chaos

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Foundations of hyperbolic chaos are well established in the ordinary framework of ergodic theories in the stationary regime, but the ergodic-theoretical characterization of non-hyperbolic chaos has not been fully achieved so far. Chaotic fluctuations in non-hyperbolic systems, such as in generic Hamiltonian systems or strong intermittent systems, often reveal various non-stationary phenomena with vanishing KS entropy, e.g., anomalous large deviations and long time tails with extremely slow convergence of statistical quantities. Moreover, recent studies show that those non-stationary phenomena are closely correlated to the existence of the infinite ergodic measure in strong non-hyperbolic cases. In the present talk, the onset mechanism of long-term fluctuations is discussed in relation to the infinite ergodicity, and some general aspects of the non-stationarity are characterized from the large deviation properties of PSD functions.

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Soliton excitations in nonequilibrium Peierls transition

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To examine an effect of non-equilibrium steady state (NESS) on phase transition, we analyze one-dimensional conductor which shows Peierls transition. Our system is connected to two heat baths which have different temperatures and chemical potentials, and is described by the following Hamiltonian:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H &= H_S + V + H_B \\
 H_S &= - \sum_{n=-1}^L \left(t_{n+1,n} c_{n+1}^\dagger c_n + (\text{h.c.}) \right) + \frac{K}{2} \sum_{n=-1}^L (y_{n+1} - y_n)^2 + \frac{M}{2} \sum_{n=0}^L \dot{y}_n^2 \\
 V &= \int v_k \left(c_0^\dagger a_k + c_L^\dagger b_k + (\text{h.c.}) \right) dk, \quad H_B = \int (\omega_k a_k^\dagger a_k + \mu_k b_k^\dagger b_k) dk.
 \end{aligned}$$

By considering a continuous counterpart of the system in which grid interval goes to infinitesimal and taking a mean field average for lattice displacement, we construct NESS. There exist normal state, stable CDW state, and unstable CDW state when bias voltage is fixed. On the other hand, unstable CDW state is stabilized when current is fixed, which induces negative resistance. Moreover, remarkable similarity between soliton excitations and uniform excitations will be mentioned. As a comparison with experiments, we will show a relation between this phenomenon and the thyristor effect in organic conductor[1].

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Universal Distributions of the Time Average in Dynamical Systems

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Limit theorems for the time average of some observation functions in the dynamical systems are studied. It is known that intermittent phenomena, such as the Rayleigh-Benard convection and Belousov-Zhabotinsky reaction, are described by non-hyperbolic dynamical systems, and the invariant measure of such dynamical systems can not be normalized (infinite measure). We show that the time average of some observation functions converges in some distributions which depend on the properties of observation functions and whether the invariant measure is finite or not. In the case of the infinite measure, the time average converges to the generalized arcsine distribution when the observation function is not the $L^1(m)$ function, whose average with respect to the invariant measure m is finite. This result gives new points that the correlation function defined by the time average:

$$C(n) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f(x_k) f(x_{k+n})$$

does not decay and converges in distribution for all n when the time difference n is fixed.

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RKKY interaction under Aharonov-Casher effect

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The Aharonov–Bohm (AB) effect plays a central role in interference effects in mesoscopic systems. When the system is under the spin–orbit interaction, an additional interference effect, the Aharonov–Casher (AC) effect [1] appears. An electron acquires a phase factor after passing through an AB ring because of the interaction between the spin and electronic field through the ring. This interference effect can be utilized to control electron transport through the ring [2]. In a recent experiment [3], an interference pattern is shown as a function of electric and magnetic fields in an AB ring system.

We consider an AB ring consisting of two magnetic impurities with the Ruderman–Kittel–Kasuya–Yosida (RKKY) interaction and Kondo effect. These two interactions compete with each other. In recent experiments [4], this competition was observed. We will show how the interference effects induce the anisotropic RKKY interaction [5]. We also report spin conductance as well as charge conductance using the slave boson mean field approximation.

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Statistical modeling of multi- dimensional chaotic fields

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Non-parametric statistical modeling is a powerful tool for predicting evolution of deterministic chaotic fields. It is based on assumption that statistical properties of deterministic chaotic fields remain unchanged as the field evolves with time. An analysis of field patterns in the past enables us to extract relations between values of field in neighboring points in space as well as in time. Based on similarities between the present field pattern and field patterns extracted from the past data, the field value in the next time step can be successfully predicted.

In my presentation a special attention will be paid to the optimization of field pattern sampling. It will be shown how to sample a set of patterns, which gives the highest quality field prediction. The proposed method will be illustrated on two examples, an analytical model of chaotic discrete coupled map lattice and an experimentally obtained record of surface optical activity in laser welding process.

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Aging, clustering, and diffusion-induced inhomogeneity in globally coupled oscillators

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Aging is not a phenomenon restricted to us humans. Here presented is a theory of aging in globally and diffusively coupled oscillators. We introduce "aging" in such a way that a finite fraction (say p) of oscillators is "inactive", meaning a damped oscillator in a generalized sense including overdamped cases. We then show analytically as well as numerically that if the coupling strength K is larger than a threshold value, the whole system stops oscillation at a less than one value of p . This is what we call an *aging transition*, whose universal aspects will be uncovered. Moreover, under certain conditions, the group of "active" oscillators (i.e. self-sustained oscillators) is shown to split into clusters in a horn-shaped region of the (K, p) phase diagram. Bifurcations and clustering dynamics therein will be discussed in detail by confining ourselves to a simplest category of clustering. This clustering phenomenon provides a new type of diffusion-induced inhomogeneity in nonlinear dynamics, whose mechanism will also be discussed. (A full list of references is given in [5] below.)

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Where are the terrestrial planets outside the Solar System?

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Recently an extrasolar system was discovered, where the observers predicted that there exists a terrestrial planet in a habitable zone around the star Gliese 581. We will discuss the dynamical stability of this system, but also the possibility of earthlike planets in other extrasolar systems in such zones where water could be found in a liquid form.

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Level dynamics approach to large deviation statistics

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The large deviation statistics is an extension of the central limit theorem and has a close connection with the equilibrium statistical mechanics, the multi-fractal theory of turbulence and chaos. The large deviation statistical functions are determined by the largest eigenvalue of the operator H_q defined by

$$H_q = H + qV$$

for the differential equation systems (chaotic or stochastic) and

$$H_q = He^{qV}$$

for the discrete time dynamics such as chaotic maps and finite state Markoffian processes. Here H is the time evolution operator, q is an arbitrary real number and V is an observable operator. We recently showed that the eigenvalues obey equations of motion by regarding q as a fictitious time. Therefore, if the eigenvalue problem of H is solved, then integrating the equations of motion, one can obtain the large deviation statistical functions. I will talk about how to derive the equations of motion and show a few simple solvable examples.

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Domain walls, phase waves, and spatio-temporal chaos in a rotating external field

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We study the spatio-temporal dynamics of an anisotropic XY system driven by circularly polarized external field using the Ginzburg-Landau model

$$\partial_t \psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \psi + \gamma \psi^* - |\psi|^2 \psi + \nabla^2 \psi + h e^{i\Omega t}. \quad (1)$$

Temporal oscillation of a uniform solution is classified into five dynamical phases with different symmetry. Uniform oscillation exhibits the dynamic phase transition between these phases with changing the amplitude or frequency of the external field.

We observe a variety of spatio-temporal structures depending on the symmetry of the uniform oscillation. In the case that two stable uniform limit cycles coexist, we observe the domain wall which connects two different limit cycles. The domain walls temporally oscillate in the presence of the periodic external field. Due to the symmetry of the model, there are two types of domain wall structures, Néel wall and Bloch wall. In the case that the uniform solution shows the quasiperiodic oscillation, propagation of the phase wave is observed. Our result suggests that phase dynamics can be applicable even in nonautonomous systems. Moreover, we find spatio-temporal chaos in some parameter range. In this presentation, dynamical characteristics of these patterns are reported. A technique to stabilize the unstable Néel wall is also discussed.

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Absolute maximum entropy principle and self-organization of memory cells

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Development of an automatic information processing system capable of statistical modeling of physical laws is treated. The system is comprised of an array of sensors and a network of memory cells called artificial neural network (ANN). As the primary object of modeling the joint probability density function (PDF) of signals from sensors is considered. It is expressed by a kernel estimator based upon discrete samples of data. Since the number of samples can increase without limit, while the number of memory cells is generally limited, the problem arises how to proceed to an optimal representation of sensory data and proper storage in the memory cells. To solve this problem a new principle of absolute maximum entropy is formulated and applied to express a representative PDF in terms of prototype data. The modeling of a specific physical law is performed by a mapping of sensory signals to these prototype data. For this purpose the discrepancy between the PDF of sensory data and the representative one is minimized. The adaptation process leads to a self-organized, highly non-linear dynamics of memory cells in an abstract multi-dimensional space. The dynamics is non-autonomous since it is driven by sensory data. The corresponding algorithm includes two steps that correspond to initialization and adaptation of prototype data. Its stochastic perturbation treatment leads to an adaptation process that resembles the cooperation of neurons in biological neural networks. During adaptation each neuron is selectively sensitized to one prototype from the sample space of the driving variable. The response of the complete network is described by the excitation of neurons which causes self-organization and simultaneously represents the encoded driving variable. During adaptation each neuron is selectively sensitized to one prototype from the sample space of the driving variable. The response of the complete network is described by the excitation of neurons

which causes self-organization and simultaneously represents the encoded driving variable. The corresponding self-organization of neurons has been previously described by Kohonen based upon biological observations. In the presentation the self-organized formation of neurons in an ANN is demonstrated on one- and two-dimensional examples of sensory data.

As the secondary object of modeling an optimal extraction of relations between signals from various sensors is considered. For this purpose the conditional average is proposed as an optimal estimator. It is simply expressed in terms of prototype data and represents a general, non-linear and non-parametric regression that is widely applicable in various fields of automatic statistical modeling of natural laws. Applicability of conditional average estimator is demonstrated on examples from physics, technology, and economy.

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Theory and Application of 2D Microcavity Lasers

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Various kinds of devices such as lasers and musical instruments utilize stationary wave oscillations in resonant cavities. In order to maintain the stationary oscillation in these devices, nonlinearity is essential in the mechanism for balancing the pumping of the external energy and the decay of the wave of the quasi-stable resonance in the resonant cavity. Besides, the interaction between nonlinearities and the morphology of the boundary condition imposed on a resonating wave system by the shape of the cavity is also very important for determining the modes of oscillation.

1D simple shapes have been used for laser cavities because they are suitable for fabrication as well as application of directional emission. However, recent advances in processing technology of dry-etching for semiconductor laser diodes have made it possible to fabricate 2D microcavity lasers of arbitrary 2D shapes with potential applications of 2D emission of laser light in optical communications and optical integrated circuits.

We will review the theoretical models of 2D microcavity lasers and discuss their applications.

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Statistical Properties of Earthquakes Based on the two-dimensional Spring-block Model of Earthquakes

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In order to reveal whether the spring-block model is useful with respect to a reproduction of the seismicity in nature, we analyze statistical properties produced by a two-dimensional model involving stick-slip behavior. We find that the model reproduces spatio-temporal interval statistics semi-quantitatively, in addition to the Gutenberg-Richter (GR) law and the power-law size distribution, in a restricted parameter regime. At this regime, the model yields a realistic b -value of the GR law and ratio of seismic wave velocity, and shows a statistical property of the stress distribution, the constant stress drop. The critical state of the system is evaluated from statistical properties we focus on. The results are summarized by means of a phase diagram. We conclude that the spring-block model exhibits a state of the self-organized criticality when the model adequately reproduces the seismicity in nature.

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Quantum-classical correspondence on the torus

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The *quantum-classical correspondence* (QCC) is the basic principle underlying any physical quantisation of a classical system. According to this principle the quantum system should behave similar to the corresponding classical system with increasing energy or decreasing effective Planck constant.

We investigate time evolution of QCC in *fully chaotic maps on a torus* [1] with the periodic boundary conditions. The quality of the QCC is measured by the *quantum-classical fidelity* (QCF)[2], which is an overlap of the classical phase-space density and the corresponding Wigner function of the quantum system. Numerically and by heuristic arguments we found that in *the generic chaotic systems* QCF stays at initial value up to an Ehrenfest-type time scale and after that it *decays exponentially* with the rate given by the maximal Lyapunov exponent to some ergodic plateau. In *systems with the Egorov property* [3] e.g. Arnold's cat map, which roughly means that classical and quantum time evolution commute, the QCF can stay at the initial value almost arbitrarily long and then decays faster than exponentially.

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Transmembrane proteins have long been considered to be critical in understanding biological functions such as cell signaling, ion transport, and intercellular communication. It has been reported that approximately 45% of the drugs in use today target G protein-coupled receptors (GPCRs). Some 20% to 30% of genes in an average genome are estimated to encode membrane proteins. Because of their biological and pharmaceutical importance, identification of transmembrane helices in membrane proteins is a priority. Although promising methods in X-ray crystallography and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) have begun to open avenues to the determination of these structures, the number of known three-dimensional structures remains small. Therefore, reliable algorithms to predict transmembrane protein structures would be very useful.

An approach utilizing a finite-state, stochastic dynamical system (Hidden Markov Model (HMM)) has been successful in creating algorithms for predicting transmembrane protein secondary structure. Here, we present an algorithm for predicting transmembrane secondary structures using two-dimensional vector trajectories consisting of a hydropathy index and formal charge of an amino acid sequence using stochastic dynamical system models. The prediction accuracies, using a collection of publicly available transmembrane protein sequences, suggest that stochastic dynamical system models perform reasonably well on biological data as well.

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Probing ion dynamics in complex matter

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Research of structure, dynamics and macroscopic properties of complex systems has grown fast over recent years. Colloids, biopolymers, biological cells, porous matter and other complex heterogeneous materials are considered as complex systems in condensed matter physics. The relaxation phenomena and kinetics in such systems cannot be described by Debye type response function and Brownian diffusion as a rule. We consider dielectric spectra of two systems: clay-water mixtures and cement pastes. The measured dielectric responses are described by considering the microscopic ion dynamics. We treat the motion of the classical particle in the fluid interrupted by trapping events and show that the anomalous features of the dielectric spectra can be reproduced by choosing the long-tailed waiting time probability density function of the trapping events. The possible correlations between the structure of the complex system and the dynamics are indicated.

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Magnetic domain patterns under time-dependent field

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Domain patterns are observed in various physical and chemical systems: for example, thermal convection in fluids, chemical reaction systems, ferromagnetic thin films, ferrofluids, etc [1,2]. In this talk, we focus on magnetic domain patterns in a ferromagnetic thin film. Magnetic domain patterns after quench show various type of patterns depending on the field sweep rate and parameters of the model [3,4]. We will show how the domain patterns are formed under decreasing field with use of the number of domains and the domain area as well as snapshots of domain patterns simulated with a simple Ising-like model. We will also propose a criterion about the field sweep rate and the structure of domain patterns. Under oscillating field, magnetic domain patterns can display more interesting structures. Some patterns travelling very slowly compared with the time scale of the field are observed under some conditions. We will show some simulated travelling magnetic patterns and propose two analytical ways to investigate the effects of the oscillating field [5].

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Encoding and Decoding of Calcium Signals in Biological Cells

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In biological cells calcium enables reliable and effective signal transduction connecting extracellular signals with intracellular functions. The question arises how only one intermediate (calcium) is able to connect different input signals with different cellular processes, which is known as the bow-tie or hour-glass architecture of cellular signalling [1].

We propose mathematical models for the key cellular mechanisms enabling simultaneous transmission of different signals. The first model exploits the complexity of calcium signals. In particular, for bursting oscillations we show the possibility of selective regulation of different cellular processes [2]. In the second model we show that a two-level protein cascade can act as a band-pass filter for time-limited calcium oscillations. These band-pass filters can further be combined into a network of three-level signalling cascades that by filtering the frequency of time-limited oscillations selectively switches cellular processes on and off [3]. For special conditions, we were able to develop a minimal model for band-pass filtering of time-limited calcium oscillations [4].

The problem of simultaneous signal transmission is much more general and our models are compared with known mechanisms in technical systems. We found relations with multiplexers in communication systems. Examples of such common procedures are code-division multiple access (CDMA) and time-division multiplexing (TDMA) used by the GSM telephone system, for example.

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Mesoscopic Quantum Rectification

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We investigate the conductance of an open quantum dot where the uniform Rashba spin-orbit interaction(SOI) is present in the cavity region. The Hamiltonian is written in the cavity as, $H = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{p}}^2}{2m} + \frac{\alpha}{\hbar}(\hat{p}_y\sigma_x - \hat{p}_x\sigma_y) + V(x, y)$. The dot has a central triangular stopper(CTS) whose rotation angle controls the symmetry of the whole system. For the Fermi wavelength comparable to the linear dimension of CTS, the SOI-dependence of the conductance is sensitive to both the direction of bias and the rotation angle of CTS. We propose a quantum ratchet which generates the directed current against AC bias with time average zero by using the spin-polarized electron injection. Relationship between symmetry of the dot and the rectification effect is revealed, and is used as a mechanism for the charge rectification.

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Network analyses based on large deviation statistics

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Chaotic piecewise linear map whose statistical properties are identical to those of a random walk on directed graphs such as the world wide web (WWW) is constructed, and the dynamic quantity is analyzed in the framework of large deviation statistics. Gibbs measures include the weight factor appearing in the weighted average of the dynamic quantity, which can also quantitatively measure the importance of web sites. Currently used levels of importance in the commercial search engines are independent of search terms, which correspond to the stationary visiting frequency of each node obtained from a random walk on the network or equivalent chaotic dynamics. Levels of importance based on the Gibbs measure depend on each search term which is specified by the searcher. Also is discussed topological conjugate transformation between one dynamical system with a Gibbs measure and another dynamical system whose standard invariant probability measure is identical to the Gibbs measure.

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Kramers theory in the relaxation dynamics of structured potential

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The low-temperature relaxation dynamics in the free-energy landscape can be formulated as the Brownian motion along the reaction coordinate. Recently, a protein crystallization process is shown to be enhanced when the reaction accompanies an intermediate state. The intermediate state is expected to play a role in the phenomenological description.

In this context we revisit the Kramers theory as an eigenvalue problem of the Fokker-Planck operator. Firstly, we explore the relaxation process in a triple-well symmetric Landau potential by the WKB analysis. We will report a formula which is a subtle extension to the so-called Kramers escape rate in the case of the structured potential, where the activation energy is effectively lowered compared to the case of a single parabolic barrier. Secondly, a nonequilibrium extension of the formula will be explored for the tilted double-humped periodic potential by assuming the complex eigenvalues of the FP operator.

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Nonlinear Dynamics of Multi-Component Bose-Einstein Condensates: Anti-Gravity Transport, Vortex Chaos and Billiard Motions

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Bose-Einstein condensate(BEC) provides a nice playground where the nonlinear Schrödinger equation plays a vital role (see Reference below). We study the dynamics of multi-component BEC in 2 dimensions with and without harmonic traps by using the nonlinear Schrödinger (or Gross-Pitaevskii) equation. Firstly we consider a driven two-component BEC with each component trapped in different vertical positions. The appropriate tuning of the oscillation frequency of the magnetic field (Franck-Condon transition) leads to a striking anti-gravity transport of BEC. This phenomenon is a manifestation of macroscopic non-adiabatic tunneling in a system with two internal(electronic) degrees of freedom. Secondly, we examine the three-component repulsive BEC in 2 dimensions in a harmonic trap in the absence of magnetic field, and construct a model of conservative chaos based on a picture of vortex molecules. We obtain an effective nonlinear dynamics. The vortices here acquire the inertia in marked contrast to the standard theory of point vortices since Onsager. We then explore "the chaos in the three-body problem" in the context of vortices with inertia. Finally we analyze the billiard motions of 2-d solitons, showing a variety of collisions among solitons and the collision with hard walls. The resultant features are astonishingly different from the well-known diffusion and interference of wave packets in the dynamics based on the linear quantum mechanics. This work owes to my collaborators, V. M. Pérez-García, V. V. Konotop, D. Matrasulov, M. Kobayashi and A. Kohi. The full details will be published elsewhere.

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External Forcing and Feedback Control of Nonlinear Dissipative Waves

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The dynamics of traveling waves in a nonlinear dissipative system are studied analytically and numerically. Spatio-temporal forcing and feedback forcing are applied to the traveling waves in a phase-separated system undergoing chemical reactions. The stability of the traveling waves and interesting, unexpected behavior, including the trapped coherent oscillations of the waves and the reversal of the propagation direction are analyzed in one dimension. The phase dynamical approach is applied to gain a theoretical understanding of the dynamics.

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Evolutionary game theory and selected topics of physics

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Evolutionary game theory is currently undergoing quite a renaissance in view of possible interrelations with topics of physics. Examples are studies of different phase transitions, coherence resonances, and complex network induced phenomena. The goal of my talk is to present a brief overview of recent results that appear to have far-reaching consequences and shed new light towards resolving the conflict underlying the evolution of cooperation in societies governed by egoistic Darwinian individuals.

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Quantum phase transition in two-body random ensemble of spin chains

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A signature of quantum chaos in quantum systems can be revealed by comparison to the properties of random matrix ensembles. We consider a quantum spin chain with nearest-neighbor two-body random coupling, interacting with random external field. Such a model has many interesting properties among which we find particularly important the quantum phase transition which occurs when the strength of external field vanishes. A clear signature of criticality is provided by the gap scaling with the system size where universal power-law dependence is obtained for any non-zero field whereas in the critical case the decay is clearly faster. Similarly, higher degree of entanglement of the ground state in the absence of external field is manifested in slower decay of spatial long-range correlations. The entanglement entropy for infinite chain is finite for all non-zero external fields but the limiting value gradually increases when the field is weakened and in the critical case the entanglement entropy diverges logarithmically.

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Many-body pseudo-localization in quantum spin chains

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We numerically investigate Heisenberg XXZ spin-1/2 chain in a spatially random (disordered) static magnetic field [1]. We find that time dependent density matrix renormalization group simulations of time evolution of the model can be performed efficiently. Namely, the dimension of matrices needed to efficiently represent the time-evolution increases *linearly* with time, or entanglement entropy of typical bipartition of the lattice grows *logarithmically* in time. This has to be contrasted with exponential inefficiency of classical simulations of non-integrable spin chains in homogeneous fields [2].

As a result, we have shown [1] that infinite temperature density-density correlation function of XXZ model in the random field displays exponential localization in space indicating insulating behavior of the model. Similar results have been found for other examples of non-integrable spin chains with nearest neighbour interaction in external *random* fields.

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The Poincaré Conjecture: The history, the proof, and the aftermath

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In order to celebrate mathematics in the new millennium, The Clay Mathematics Institute of Cambridge, Massachusetts has named seven *Millennium Prize Problems*. They selected these problems, focusing on important classic questions that have resisted solution over the years and they have designated a 7 million dollars prize fund for the solution to these problems, with 1 million dollars allocated to each. In this talk we shall look at the history of one of these problems - the Poincaré Conjecture, which has recently been solved in a spectacular way by Russian mathematician Grigorij Perel'man. We shall also list the key remaining open problems and related conjectures.

To get an idea about this famous problem, which has attracted attention of several leading mathematicians around the world, for almost a century, consider stretching a rubber band around the surface of an apple. Clearly, we can shrink it down to a point by moving it slowly, without tearing it and without allowing it to leave the surface. On the other hand, if we imagine that the same rubber band has somehow been stretched in the appropriate direction around a doughnut, then there is no way of shrinking it to a point without breaking either the rubber band or the doughnut.

We say the surface of the apple is "simply connected," but that the surface of the doughnut is not. Henri Poincaré, the famous French mathematician and the founder of topology, knew almost a hundred years ago that a two dimensional sphere is essentially characterized by this property of simple connectivity, and asked the corresponding question for the three dimensional sphere (the set of points in the four dimensional space at the unit distance from the origin). This question turned out to be extraordinarily difficult, and mathematicians have been struggling with it for decades, some even publishing wrong proofs and many

more making false announcements - most of the proof, but some also of the counterexample.

We shall present the dramatic story from the last 3 years, which started with the announcement by Perel'man of the complete solution in a set of incomplete preprints, which he posted on the web, and the fight for priority which followed thereafter, mostly between China and United States. Last year two Chinese geometers hastily wrote and published (in total secrecy) a voluminous paper with even a more general proof (they claim the Thurston Geometrization Conjecture), only to be followed few weeks later by a very well-known geometer+topologist pair of authors from United States, who published an entire book with the details of Perel'man's proof.

The discussion may have reached US courts by now, as one of the key protagonists, a Chinese geometer, threatened with a legal suit against the magazine which published an unflattering (to him) story in the sequel to this stormy debate. The controversy got the attention around the world, since Perel'man refused to accept the greatest prize in mathematics, the Fields medal, which was to be presented to him in Madrid last summer by the King of Spain. Moreover, he quit his research post at the Sankt Petersburg Branch of the Steklov Mathematical Institute and has refused all contacts thereafter. Of course, at present no one knows who, if anyone, will collect the one million dollars prize for the solution of this millenium problem.

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Some generic properties of level spacing distributions of 2D real random matrices

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We treat real 2D matrices and calculate the level spacing distribution $P(S)$ for a number of different random matrix ensembles. First we consider the real symmetric matrices. In full generality we show that the linear level repulsion is a very robust phenomenon, and is present always when the matrix element distribution functions are regular at zero level, independent of other details. In particular, we treat specific cases and work out exact analytic results in closed form for the following ensembles: (i) Gaussian distribution (but generally with different widths), (ii) box (uniform) distribution, (iii) Cauchy-Lorentz distribution, (iv) exponential distribution. If the matrix element distribution is singular at zero level, e.g. a power law times exponential, we encounter the phenomenon of fractional power law level repulsion which has been found in dynamical system by Prosen and Robnik (1993,1994) and is related to sparsed matrices and KAM-type systems. A similar analysis applies for the Hermitian complex matrices, where the level repulsion is quadratic if the distribution of matrix elements is regular at zero level. Moreover, we treat also non-normal real symmetric matrices, where in general the analysis is much more difficult, because the level repulsion (small S behaviour of $P(S)$) depends not only on the distribution of matrix elements at zero level, but on the entire behaviour of the matrix element distribution function. In the special case of Gaussian matrix element distribution functions with different widths we again surprisingly find linear level repulsion, but the details of small S behaviour of the level spacing distribution are quite subtle and require more elaborate analysis. Finally, we also comment on the case of the mixed type systems, with partially regular and partially chaotic classical dynamics.

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Isochronicity in 2-dim systems of ODE's

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Assume that all solutions in a neighborhood of an equilibrium point of a two-dimensional autonomous system of ODE's are periodic. We say that the system is isochronous in a neighborhood of the equilibrium point if the period of oscillations is the same for all solutions near the point. In the talk we present some methods to study isochronicity of oscillations in 2-dim autonomous systems which right hand sides are analytic functions.

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Difference Schrödinger Operators for Harmonic Oscillators on a Unitary Lattice

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The formalism of raising and lowering operators is developed for the difference operator analogue of a quantum harmonic oscillator which acts on functions on a discrete support. The grid under consideration is a mixed version of an equidistant lattice and a basic linear grid. Several properties of the grid are described. The grids under consideration are referred to by the name unitary linear lattices. The ladder difference operators are derived and compared with the continuum situation. The arising spectral problems for these operators are dealt by using the theory of bilateral Jacobi operators in weighted $l^2(\mathbb{Z})$ spaces.

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Electrical excitability and insulin release from clusters of cells in pancreatic islets

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Pancreatic beta cells release insulin, a sole hormone that is able to reduce glucose concentration in blood. Inadequate insulin release leads to diabetes mellitus. Beta cells are well vascularized, innervated, and excitable; they vividly communicate to each other and exocytose insulin upon adequate stimulation. So far most of the studies on physiology of beta cells have been performed on single cells using dispersed cell clusters where most of abovementioned functions become severely impaired or even lost. We established a fresh whole pancreas slice preparation, which enables us to study the physiology of the beta cells in more intact environment. In this way we determined the role of cell to cell communication for the excitability of beta cells and insulin release. The knowledge about the biophysical properties of ion channels and exocytotic fusion machinery helped us to assess the function of beta cells during normal postnatal development, normal adulthood and in pathophysiological conditions of both excess blood sugar (diabetes mellitus) and lack of blood sugar (coma).

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Quantum Suppression of Chaotic Tunneling

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As is well known, different types of localization phenomena, such as dynamical localization, localization on invariant tori, localization on unstable periodic orbits, appear simultaneously in the quantum system whose classical phase space is composed of regular and chaotic components. Each has its own origin and a different classical invariant set as its support. However, they coexist in a single phase space, one would expect that they are affected by each other and correlated under a certain consistent rule. In the present talk, we will show that a strong interplay indeed exists between dynamical localization and localization on invariant tori, and discuss how *one quantum effect is suppressed by another quantum effect*.

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Modelling human cardiovascular system
Cardio-respiratory synchronization transitions at high altitudes

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Transitions in the cardio-respiratory synchronization ratio in healthy subjects at rest will be presented. The state of exchange of energy and matter of the cardiovascular system will be considered and data from anaesthesia (with low exchange rate), rest (moderate exchange) and exercise (high exchange) will be discussed. The investigation has been extended to studies of synchronization at high altitude, simulated by the breathing of different oxygen concentrations. The implications for the pressurisation of aircraft will be considered.

Transport through open microwave billiards

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Scattering theory, originally developed in nuclear physics [1], meanwhile has found numerous applications also in mesoscopic systems [2]. One example is the study of transport properties through open quantum dots. For such systems it is a highly non-trivial task, however, to determine the confining potential, the number of modes in the attached channels, etc., from the geometry of the gate electrodes.

Here microwave resonators are an alternative. For flat resonators there is a complete equivalence to the corresponding quantum dot system, as long as electron-electron interactions are negligible [3]. In contrast to real quantum dot systems measurements are performed at room temperatures and not in the mK regime, and system sizes are of some centimetres and not of sub-microns, with the consequence that the geometry is perfectly controllable.

This allows checks of predictions of scattering theory which are not accessible otherwise. A number of examples will be given. In addition a look into the systems is possible thus allowing the study of the flow through the system, of statistics and distributions of vortices etc.

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Entanglement and generalized Husimi distributions

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The Husimi distribution, which is defined on the phase space, is a useful tool to investigate dynamical properties of quantum systems in comparison with classical dynamics. After a short review of the standard Husimi distribution, I will discuss its generalization to many-body problems. Delocalization of the generalized Husimi distribution is related not only to chaoticity of the underlying classical dynamics, but also to the degree of entanglement of the state. I will also show an algebraic method to calculate the moments of the generalized Husimi distributions with use of the group representation theory. With this method, one can systematically generate a lot of entanglement measures including well-known ones such as the concurrence and the 3-tangle.

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Manifestation of entanglement in mixed quantum-classical system and possible chaos.

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I discuss characteristic dynamics of a system, which consists of classical and quantum subsystems strongly coupling with each other. Typically, the quantum subsystem is composed with light and fast particles, while heavy and slow particles constitute the classical subsystem. Such systems are quite ubiquitous, since molecules are more or less approximated in terms of this mixed quantum-classical representation, with nuclei being heavy and classical particles and electrons being light and quantum particles. More explicitly, the separation of electronic and nuclear motions based on this idea constitutes the heart of the so-called Born-Oppenheimer approximation, which is now the standard concept in material sciences. In the Born-Oppenheimer view, nuclei are supposed to propagate in time (either classically or quantum mechanically) on a potential energy function, which is given as electronic energy at parametrically fixed nuclear coordinates. In particular, classical trajectory studies of nuclear motion on the Born-Oppenheimer potential energy surfaces (electronic energy) are now one of the standard methods of molecular dynamics. In particular, such a description becomes inevitable for large molecular systems such as those in protein dynamics. However, as soon as more than a single potential energy surface is involved in the dynamics due to "nonadiabatic" coupling, such a naive application of classical mechanics lacks a theoretical foundation. This is a classic, fundamentally important, yet highly practical issue in the foundation of molecular science. To cope with this, I propose a generalization of classical mechanics that provides a "classical" path even in cases where multiple potential energy surfaces are involved in a single event and the Born-Oppenheimer approximation breaks down. This generalization is made by diagonalization of the matrix representation of nuclear forces in nonadiabatic dynamics and is derived in terms of mixed quantum-classical representation of the electron-nucleus entangled Hamiltonian [1]. Quantum fluctuation and possible chaos manifested in the classical subsystem will be

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Calculation of dispersion interactions

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Dispersion interactions (also known as the van der Waals or Casimir interactions) are ubiquitous and are a relevant phenomenon in a variety of fields such as biological systems, nanotechnology and thin films. As these interactions are generally non additive and depend on the geometry of the system in a complex way, their calculation for arbitrary or even simple geometries is not straightforward. I will present various aspects of their calculation. First I will present a numerical method suitable for arbitrary geometries of constant dielectric response. I will then discuss the equivalence of approaching the calculation either from the view of matter fluctuations or from the viewpoint of field fluctuations on a specific example of plane parallel geometries. I will conclude by presenting a model self-consistent calculation of density profiles in a thin film where the matter interacts solely via dispersion forces.

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Beyond the Berry-Robnik regime: a random matrix study of tunnelling effects

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A new RMT study of $P(S)$ energy level statistics is presented. It is expected to describe the quantum Hamilton systems whose classical dynamics is of mixed type. In the semiclassical limit the Berry-Robnik (BR) statistics applies, while at larger values of the effective Planck constant \hbar_{eff} one sees deviations from BR at nearby levels due to localisation and tunnelling effects. First the general perturbation leading to all-to-all level couplings is considered and second, the influence of the tunneling between regular and chaotic states on spectra is modelled.

An analytic expression in a closed form for a two-level RMT model is derived and compared with a N -level one, which has been done numerically. The coupling between the levels (the off-diagonal matrix elements) is assumed to be Gaussian distributed. In antenna (general) distorted systems our two-level model describes the features of large matrices very well. Small S result for fully chaotic system is in agreement with experiment. In the treatment of the tunnelling only the regular and chaotic states are coupled. The two-level model is still good enough and is predicted (with an improvement) to apply in mixed type systems at low energies. The proposed level spacing distribution function has two parameters, the BR parameter ρ , characterising the classical phase space, and the coupling (antenna distortion or tunnelling) parameter σ , describing the coupling between the states.

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Dynamics near the edge of chaos

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For all we know the laminar states in planar shear flows and in pipe flow are linearly stable for arbitrarily large shear rates. On the other hand, *finite* perturbations can trigger a transition to turbulent flow. As early as 1989 it was suggested [1] that this turbulent motion might be transient rather than constituting a persistent feature of the flow. Very recently high-resolution numerical and experimental studies [2] confirmed this picture. This finding raises intriguing questions regarding the nature of the *edge of chaos* which separates the phase-space region with turbulent dynamics from the region where trajectories smoothly decay to the stable laminar state. An analysis of this boundary in a 9-mode Galerkin model revealed that even the dynamics restricted to this boundary exhibits transient chaos [3].

I will briefly review these recent developments, and present a 2d model providing insight into the morphology of the phase boundary and its dynamics.

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Pattern formation induced by evaporation of water

– crack, labyrinth, ... –

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The aggregation of particles has attracted considerable interest as a problem of non-equilibrium physics. It is observed not only in many physical and chemical systems[1] but also in biological and social systems[2]. In the case of particle aggregation in a multiphase system, particle motion can interact with phase boundary motion. For example, surfactant molecules in an oil-water system affect the motion of the oil-water phase boundary[3]. In this case, by changing the concentration of the surfactant, various structures are formed in the microemulsion system such as spheres, cylinders, and lamellae[4].

In order to understand the dynamical properties induced by the interaction between the particle and phase boundary motions, a definite and simple picture of the collective motion of particles should be developed. We consider the motion of the air front (i.e., air-water boundary) during water evaporation as an example of phase boundary motion. When granular particles exist in the water phase, they can prevent the motion of the air front. It should be noted that the role of the particles in the air front motion differs significantly depending on the particle concentration in the system. When the concentration is quite low, the particles are treated individually as an impurity that induces the pinning effect on the air front motion. On the other hand, at a high concentration, the system is packed with the particles. Accordingly, the granular particles are treated as a porous medium, and the dynamics of the air front motion is considered as the dynamics of invasion percolation[5]. Evidently, there is a huge gap in the treatment of granular particles between low and high particle concentration cases. Therefore, at the intermediate concentration, it is difficult to characterize the collective motion of particles.

Recently, we have studied the formation of the labyrinthine pattern which corresponds to a spatial distribution of aggregated granular particles at the intermediate concentration. The pattern is produced by the air front that sweeps granular particles during the evaporation process of the water-granule system. In this talk, we show experimental results[6] and three types of modeling for the pattern formation: (a) reaction-diffusion type equations[7,8], (b) molecular dynamics for the motion of the particles[9], and (c) cell automaton[10].

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Generating random bipartite entanglement

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Entanglement is one of the resources which can be used to perform tasks not possible by classical means. Quantifying entanglement is in general a rather difficult task. Random states are, due to their invariance, much easier to treat. In addition to be directly useful in certain quantum information tasks, similarly as random numbers are useful in classical computation, they are of interest because a sufficiently complex quantum computation will produce states whose statistical properties are well reproduced by those of random states. I will present analytical calculation of the average value of i -th largest Schmidt coefficient for random pure quantum states. Protocols for generating random states consisting of a repeated application of two qubit transformations will be discussed, as well as the optimal two qubit gate for which the convergence to the asymptotic measure of random vectors is the fastest. For certain quantum protocols, the speed of convergence can be related to the gap of a Markovian chain.

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KONCERT

Lucija Černe, flavta

Urška Orešič, klavir

Art kavarna hotela Piramida

Torek, 3. julij 2007, 20:00



Program

Gabriel Fauré: Fantaisie

Maurice Ravel: Pavane pour infante défunte

Francois Borne: Fantaisie Brilliante on themes from Bizet's Carmen

Urška Orešič: Šepet v jeseni (Whisper in the autumn)

Urška Orešič: O skladbi

"Skladba spada med moj zgodnji opus, v leto 1998. Programska vsebina prikazuje lepote narave in impresije jesenskega dneva."

Urška Orešič: About the piece

"This music was written in 1998 and it is one of my first serious opus. Programm music shows the beauty of the nature and impressions at the day of autumn."

Lucija Černe (1981) je s študijem flavte pričela v Šempetru pri Novi Gorici pri prof. Armandu Mariuttiju. Študij je nadaljevala na Srednji glasbeni in baletni šoli v Ljubljani pri profesorju Jožetu Pogačniku, kjer je leta 2001 maturirala in bila sprejeta na Akademijo za glasbo v Ljubljani v razred red. prof. Karoline Šantl Zupan. Študij je nadaljevala na umetniški in pedagoški smeri. Leta 2006 je z odliko diplomirala in bila sprejeta na specializacijo k izr. prof. Mateju Zupanu, kjer študij nadaljuje. Lucija Černe je že v nižji glasbeni šoli prejela številne nagrade in priznanja na regijskih in državnih tekmovanjih. Solistično je nastopila že na več koncertih doma in v tujini, vseskozi igra tudi v komornih zasedbah in orkestrih. Za uspešno glasbeno udejstvovanje je tudi prejemnica Zoisove štipendije. Z velikim veseljem in ustvarjalnostjo se predaja pedagoškemu poklicu na Waldorfski glasbeni šoli v Ljubljani in organizira glasbeno literarne veere.

Lucija Černe (1981) began with her first flute lessons with Professor Armando Mariutti in Šempeter pri Novi Gorici. Later she continued her flute education with Professor Jože Pogačnik at High music school in Ljubljana, where in 2001 she graduated from high school and was accepted to Music Academy in Ljubljana to Professor Karolina Šantl Zupan's class. She appeared flute studying at artistic and pedagogical level. In 2006 she successfully graduated from Music Academy and now she is making her flute specialization degree with mentor Professor Matej Zupan. Lucija Černe has got many prizes at Slovenian competitions for young musicians. She has been performing at many solo concerts; as well she has been working as a chamber and orchestral musician. For her successful musical working she has received Zois scholarship at a very young age. With much pleasure and creativity she is working as a flute teacher at Waldorf Music School and loves to organize musical literature evenings.

Urška Orešič (1981) je svojo glasbeno pot pričela na nižji glasbeni šoli v Mariboru. Takrat je že zapisala svoje prve skladbe in jih improvizirala na klavir. Študij glasbenega stavka in klavirja (prof. Milena Sever) je nadaljevala na Glasbeni gimnaziji v Mariboru. Leta 2001 je vpisala študij kompozicije in glasbene teorije na Akademiji za glasbo v Ljubljani pri mentorju red. prof. Pavlu Mihelčiču in z odliko diplomirala leta 2005. Izpopolnjevala se je pri profesorjih F. Burtu, L. Voigtlaenderju in G. Fekete ter se udeležila več poletnih šol in seminarjev po Evropi. Sedaj nadaljuje podiplomski študij magisterija iz kompozicije pri dosedanjem mentorju ter obenem študij klavirja pri mentorju izr. prof. Andreju Jarcu. Njen opus obsega solistična, zborovska, komorna in orkestrska dela. Njena najljubša zvrst je vokalno-instrumentalna glasba - leta 2005 nastala lirična opera Večer z Rafaelom. Za seboj ima že preko 40 javnih izvedb in dva celovečerna avtorska koncerta svojih komornih del. Njene največkrat izvedene skladbe so samospev Zdravica Stari trti, Vitis vinifera za komorni ansambel, Beli spevi za sopran, violino, rog in klavir, kot pomembne izvedbe pa si šteje Skici za godala s Komornim godalnim orkestrom Slovenske Filharmonije in Camerato Labacenzis ter arhivsko snemanje skladbe Triton s Simfoničnim orkestrom RTV pod vodstvom En Shao. Urška Orešič je Zoisova štipendistka in dobitnica Prešernove nagrade Akademije za glasbo. Deluje kot skladateljica, aranžerka, komorna glasbenica - pianistka, korepetitorka in pedagoginja.

Urška Orešič (1981) began with her musical education in her home town Maribor. While taking her first years of piano lessons she began to compose her own musical ideas by improvising on the piano. She continued with studying the piano and theory at High Music school in Maribor in Professor Milena Sever's piano class. In 2001 she was accepted to The Music Academy in Ljubljana where she was studying the composition and music theory with Professor Pavel Mihelčič. She successfully graduated in 2005 with writing an opera. She took part at different seminars and Summer schools in Europe and worked with profes-

sors F. Burt, L. Voigtlaender and G. Fekete. Now she is continuing her studying with writing her masters degree of composition and studying the piano with Professor Andrej Jarc at The Music Academy in Ljubljana. Her opus includes solo, choir, chamber and orchestral works; she mostly likes vocal-instrumental music. Her works have been performed for over 40 times, she also had 2 solo evenings with only her works performed. Her mostly performed compositions are Hymn to the oldest vine for soprano and piano, Vitis vinifera for chamber ensemble, White lyrics for soprano, horn, violin and piano. Other important works are Sketches for strings that were performed with Chamber Slovene Filharmonic orchestra and Camerata Labacenzis and Triton which was recorded for Slovene promoting music with Radio Philharmonic orchestra and conductor En Shao. Urška Orešič is a recipient of Zois scholarship and a Student Prešern Prize. She is working as a composer, arranger, chamber musician, occasional pianist and a music teacher.