

3RD ANNIVERSARY

# *Celebration*

a series of short talks, a poster session and a reception



The **irmacs** Centre

APRIL 3, 2008

*Welcome to the IRMACS Centre's 3rd Anniversary celebration. We'd like to take this opportunity to extend our thanks to all of the project leaders, members, collaborators, visitors and staff that have helped make IRMACS such a success. Our vision of building an interdisciplinary centre that supports and facilitates collaborative research within Simon Fraser and its greater community has exceeded all expectations. We would like to thank you for making the success of the Centre possible and invite you to enjoy the talks, the poster session and the reception.*

*Peter, Pam & Veso*

*A special thanks to our Board of Trustees & our Management Committee.*

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The IRMACS Centre 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Celebration

## Event Schedule

April 3, 2008

**2:00 pm**

**Opening remarks**

**“Life at IRMACS”**

**A series of short talks**

*Mr. Andy Gavel, student,  
The School of Contemporary Arts*

*Ms. Azadeh Alimadad, Ph.D. student,  
Complex Systems Modelling Group*

*Mr. Michael Coons, Ph.D. student,  
Department of Mathematics*

*Ms. Carolyn Huston, Ph.D. student,  
Department of Statistics*

**3:30 pm**

**Poster Session**

(see map and list of authors & titles)

**4:00 pm – 5:30 pm**

**Reception, 3D movies & prizes**

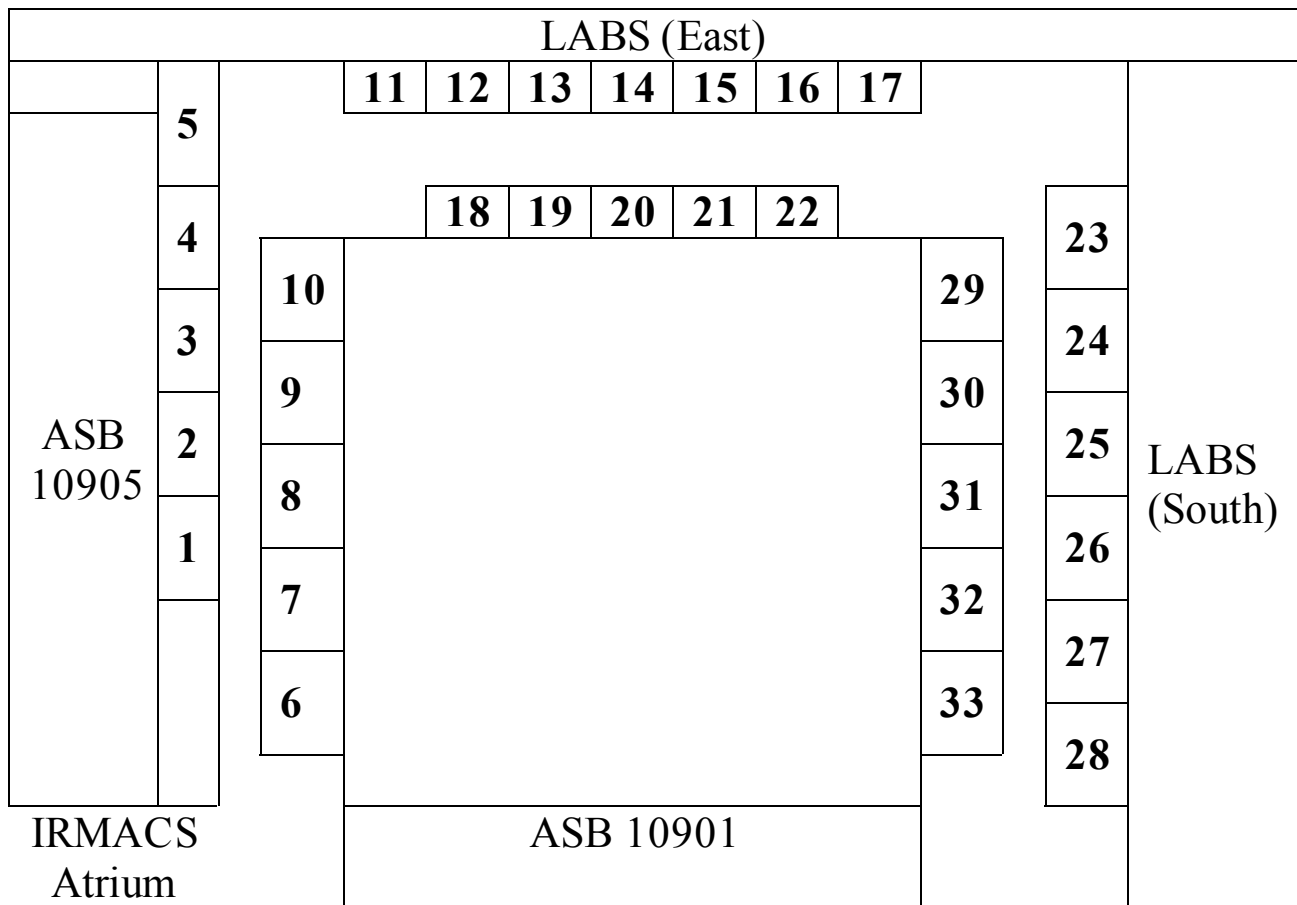


Thank you to our 300+ members spanning all 7 faculties of Simon Fraser University. Our 55 current project leaders are listed below:

Peter Anderson	Veselin Jungic
Tom Archibald	Bozena Kaminska
Faisal Beg	Mary-Catherine Kropinski
Lynne Bell	Petr Lisonek
Derek Bingham	Brad McNeney
Patricia Brantingham	Bojan Mohar
Felix Breden	Michael Monagan
Fiona Brinkman	Arne Mooers
Tom Brown	David Muraki
Nils Bruin	George Nicholas
Stephen Campbell	Ash Parameswaran
Cedric Chauve	Gary Parker
Brian Corrie	Shahram Payandeh
Vahid Dabbaghian	Levon Pogosian
Henry Daniel	Rick Routledge
Charmaine Dean	Alexander Rutherford
John Dill	Cenk Sahinalp
Brian Fisher	Carl Schwarz
Ramo Gençay	Randy Sitter
Uwe Gläesser	Tamon Stephen
Jinko Graham	Steve Thompson
William A. Gruver	Ljiljana Trajkovic
Warren Hare	Alexa van der Waall
Mike Hayden	Krisztina Vasarhelyi
Michael Hayes	Les Vertesi
Bret Heinrich	K.S. Viswanathan
Pavol Hell	Noham Weinberg
	Martin Zuckermann

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Poster Session Layout



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APPLIED SCIENCES BUILDING

**Poster Session Titles and Authors**  
**IRMACS Project Leaders are shown in bold.**

1. Title: *Selective Passive Shielding*  
Authors: C. P. Bidinosti and **M.E. Hayden**  
Affiliation: Department of Physics, Simon Fraser University
  
2. Title: *Communication Network Research*  
Authors: Laxmi Subedi, Mohamadreza Najiminaini, and **Ljiljana Trajkovic**  
Affiliation: School of Engineering Science, Simon Fraser University
  
3. Title: *Liquidity-Induced Dynamics in Futures Markets*  
Authors: Stephen Fagan and **Ramo Gençay**  
Affiliation: Department of Economics, Simon Fraser University
  
4. Title: *Crash of '87 – Was it Expected? Aggregate Market Fears and Long Range Dependence*  
Authors: Nikola Gradojevic and **Ramo Gençay**  
Affiliation: Department of Economics, Simon Fraser University
  
5. Title: *Mark-recapture Jolly-Serber abundance estimation with classification uncertainty*  
Authors: Wendell O. Challenger and **Carl J. Schwarz**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, Simon Fraser University
  
6. Title: *Design on Non-Convex Regions: Optimal Experiments for Spatial Process Prediction with Applications to Industrial Process*  
Authors: M.T. Pratola and **D. Bingham**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, Simon Fraser University
  
7. Title: *Haptic teleoperation over the Internet*  
Authors: Renji Chen and **Shahram Payandeh**  
Affiliation: School of Engineering Science, Simon Fraser University
  
8. Title: *Cooperative Hybrid Tracking for Event Monitoring Systems*  
Authors: Yan Lu and **Shahram Payandeh**  
Affiliation: School of Engineering Science, Simon Fraser University

9. Title: *Equiangular Lines in Complex Spaces*  
Author: Mahdad Khatirinejed  
Affiliation: Department of Mathematics, Simon Fraser University
10. Title: *Exponential Sums over Finite Fields*  
Authors: Kseniya Garaschuk and **Petr Lisonek**  
Affiliation: Department of Mathematics,  
Simon Fraser University
11. Title: *Ontological Engineering: A Mathematical Investigation of Prototypicality*  
Authors: Paul Nicholson and Nathalie Prevost  
Affiliation: School of Interactive Arts and Technology, Simon Fraser University
12. Title: *The Height of the  $3,234,846,615^{\text{th}}$  Cyclotomic Polynomial is Big  
(2,888,582,082,500,892,851)*  
Authors: Andrew Arnold and **Michael Monagan**  
Affiliation: CECM and Department of Mathematics,  
Simon Fraser University
13. Title: *Predicting Survival Time after Coronary Bypass Surgery in BC*  
Authors: Elizabeth Juarez, Darby Thompson, and **Charmaine Dean**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University,  
The EMMES Corporation, Rockville, MD
14. Title: *Zero-Inflated Spatial Models*  
Authors: Laurie Ainsworth and **Charmaine Dean**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University
15. Title: *Exploring the Seasonality of the Area Burned by Forest Fires in Ontario*  
Authors: Douglas G. Woolford, **Charmaine B. Dean**, David L. Martell,  
W. John Braun  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University,  
Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto,  
Department of Statistical and Actuarial Sciences,  
University of Western Ontario

- 16. Title:** *InnateDB – Facilitating Systems Level Analyses of the Mammalian Innate Immune Response*
- Authors:** David J. Lynn, Geoffrey L. Winsor, Aaron Barsky, Jennifer L. Gardy, Fiona M. Roche, Timothy H.W. Chan, Matthew R. Laird, Calvin Chan, Nicolas Richard, Naisha Shah, Raymond Lo, Misbah Naseer, Jaimmie Que, Melissa Yau, Michael Acab, Dan Tulpan, Matthew Whiteside, Karsten Hokamp, Tamara M. Munzner, Bernadette Mah, Robert E.W. Hancock, **Fiona S.L. Brinkman**
- Affiliation:** Department of Molecular Biology and Biochemistry, SFU, Centre for Microbial Diseases and Immunity Research, UBC, Department of Computer Science, UBC, Smurfit Institute of Genetics, Trinity College Dublin
- 17. Title:** *Modeling Neural Activity with a Hardware Brain Phantom*
- Authors:** Teresa Cheung, Joseph Wong, **Ash Parameswaran**, Arif Babul, **Faisal Beg**, Karen Kavanagh, Andrew Jirasek
- Affiliation:** School of Engineering Science, Simon Fraser University, Down Syndrome Research Foundation, Burnaby, B.C., Department of Physics, University of Victoria
- 18. Title:** *Mechanical and Kinetic Computational Model for Myosin-V Walking Mechanism*
- Authors:** Erin M. Craig and Heiner Linke
- Affiliation:** Department of Physics, University of Oregon
- 19. Title:** *Embedding Graphs in the Extended Grid, with Islands and Bridges*
- Authors:** Michael Coury and **Pavol Hell**
- Affiliation:** School of Computing Science, Simon Fraser University
- 20. Title:** *Wearable Wireless Physiological Sensors For Healthcare Applications*
- Authors:** Y. Chuo, B. Ngai, B. Carmichael, J. Patel, K. Tavakolian, M. Marzencki, **B. Kaminska**
- Affiliation:** School of Engineering Science, Simon Fraser University
- 21. Title:** *Stochastic Analysis of Life Insurance Surplus*
- Authors:** Natalia Lysenko and **Gary Parker**
- Affiliation:** Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science, Simon Fraser University

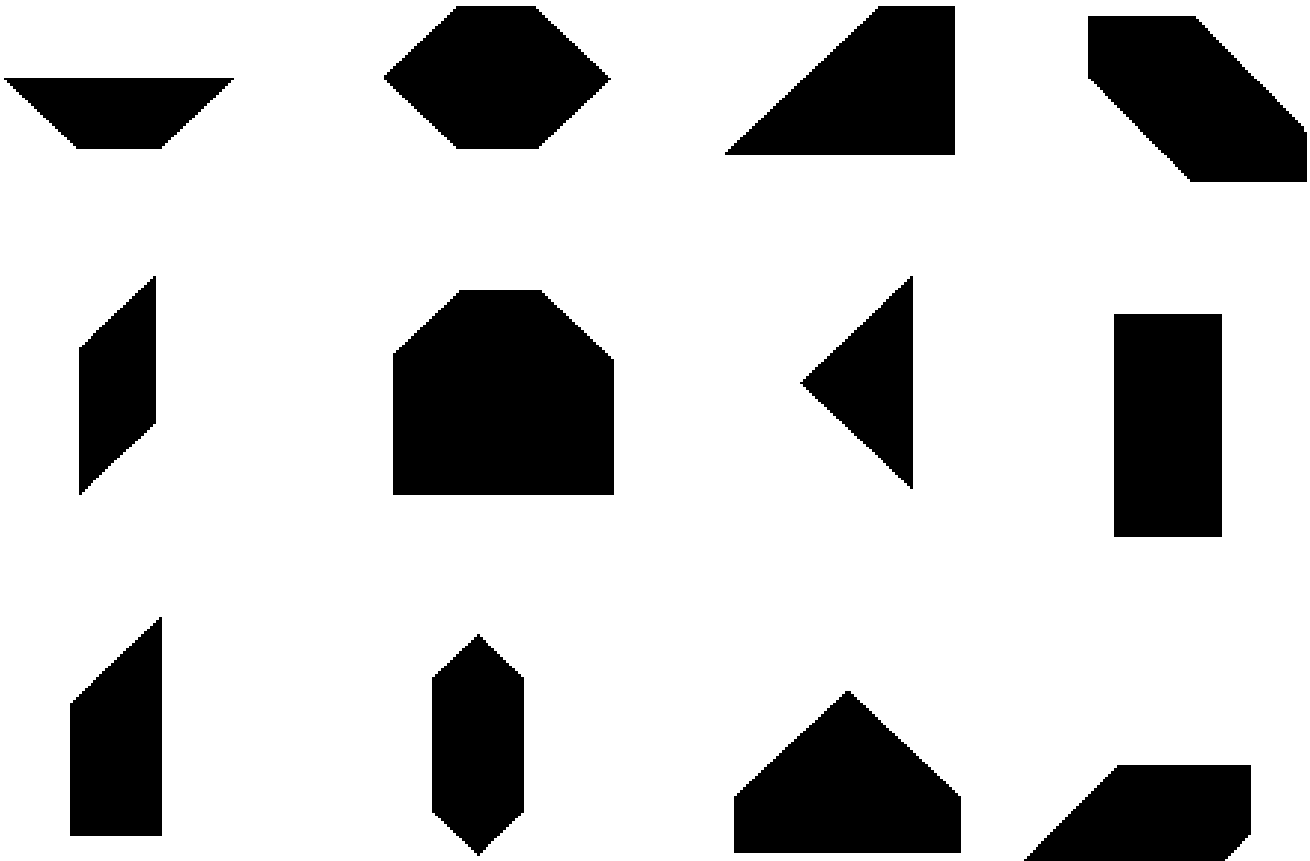


- 22.** Title: *Math Girl*  
Authors: Corinna McDonald and **Veselin Jungic**  
Affiliation: The IRMACS Centre and Department of Mathematics,  
Simon Fraser University
- 23.** Title: *Weight Cycling and Weight Gain Across All BMI Levels in the NLS Data Set*  
Authors: **Krizstina Vasarhelyi**, Azadeh Alimadad, Warren L. Hare, Jenny Li, Alexander Rutherford, Holly Buhler, Carrie L. Matteson, and Diane T. Finegood  
Affiliation: CSMG Obesity Group, The IRMACS Centre  
Department of Kinesiology, Simon Fraser University
- 24.** Title: *A Cellular Automata Model of the Spread of HIV in a Community of Injection Drug Users*  
Authors: **Vahid Dabbaghian**, Krizstina Vaserhelyi, Natasha Richardson, Peter Borwein, and A.R. Rutherford  
Affiliation: Cellular Automata Group, The IRMACS Centre, Simon Fraser University
- 25.** Title: *Revisiting Treatment Strategies: Variable Viral Load, High CD4+ Counts and HIV Transmission*  
Authors: Azadeh Alimadad, **Krizstina Vaserhelyi**, Alexander R. Rutherford  
Affiliation: CSMH HIV Project, The IRMACS Centre, Simon Fraser University
- 26.** Title: *Simulation Modelling of the Criminal Justice System*  
Authors: **V. Dabbaghian**, E. Fowler, C. Giles, N. Richardson, A. Rutherford, A. van der Waall  
Affiliation: The Criminal Justice System Project, The IRMACS Centre,  
Simon Fraser University
- 27.** Title: *Elliptic curves with isomorphic  $p$ -torsion group for small  $p$*   
Author: Kevin Doerksen  
Affiliation: Department Mathematics, Simon Fraser University
- 28.** Title: *Circular Techniques for Summarizing Acoustic Tag Data over Extensive Time Periods*  
Authors: Carolyn Huston, Jeff Marliave, David Welch  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University,  
Vancouver Aquarium, Vancouver, B.C.  
David Welch, Kintama Research, Nanaimo, B.C.

- 29.** Title: *Sampling disease gene ancestries conditional on observed haplotype data*  
Authors: K.M. Burkett, **J. Graham**, and **B. McNeney**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University
- 30.** Title: *Inferring Gene-by-Environment Interaction: Do Transmission Rates Reflect Genotype Relative Risks of Disease?*  
Authors: J.-H. Shin, **B. McNeney**, and **J. Graham**  
Affiliation: Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science,  
Simon Fraser University
- 31.** Title: *Forecasting Experimental Constraints on Dark Energy*  
Authors: Joel Zylberberg, Gong-bo Zhao, and **Levon Pogosian**  
Affiliation: Department of Physics, Simon Fraser University
- 32.** Title: *Computational Graph Theory @ Irmacs*  
Authors: Matt DeVos, Luis Goddyn, Ken-ichi Kawarabayashi, **Bojan Mohar**,  
Robert Šámal  
Affiliation: Department of Mathematics, Simon Fraser University
- 33.** Title: *Conservation Phylogenetics*  
Authors: Anna Drake, Klaas Hartmann, Tyler Kuhn, Karen Magnusson-Ford,  
Emily Meuser, Clea Moray, Dave Redding, Will Stein and **Arne Mooers**  
Affiliation: Department of Biology, Simon Fraser University

# Tangram

The IRMACS logo is made up of two complete sets of tangrams. A tangram is an ancient Chinese moving piece puzzle, consisting of 7 geometric shapes. Fu Tsiang Wang and Chuan-chin Hsiung mathematically proved in 1942 the existence of a finite set of patterns referred to as “convex.” In this context, it means that there are no indentations along the outside edge. There are only 13 silhouettes that qualify. Below are 12. Each is made up of the 7 geometric shapes in the tangram puzzle. Which shape is missing?



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