SCHOOL MEETINGS

Ph.D. Psychological Sciences



03.10.2025 NAOTSUGU TSUCHIYA

Monash University (Australia) & Lab. of Qualia Structure (ATR Computational Neuroscience Labs., Japan)

A novel structural/mathematical approach to study Qualia (conscious experience)





Time: **13:00**

ESU Student House, Via Venezia 20

access at the rear of the building

Lecture Hall - Building #5









phd.psychology@unipd.it





Università DEGLI STUDI DI PADOVA



https://dottorato.psy.unipd.it/en





IS MY "RED" YOUR "RED"?

A NOVEL STRUCTURAL/MATHEMATICAL APPROACH TO STUDY QUALIA (CONSCIOUS EXPERIENCE)

Recently, theories of consciousness have proliferated, partly because traditional empirical approaches focusing on neural correlates of consciousness (NCC) offer limited constraints. Unlike most traditional studies, which use binary paradigms (e.g., "seen" vs. "unseen"), a structural approach aims to characterize qualia and their physical substrates through relationships among qualia and between qualia and neural mechanisms. We present initial structural experiments and analyses that map properties of qualia (e.g., color, motion, sound, face) onto neural connectivity and activity. This framework may eventually yield a systematic catalogue of qualiasubstrate relationships, akin to a "periodic table of qualia," providing a path toward addressing the hard problem of consciousness.

Prof. Naotsugu Tsuchiya's biosketch

Monash University (Australia) & Lab. of Qualia Structure (ATR Computational Neuroscience Labs., Japan)

is consciousness? Can we tell if other animals experience subjectivity, or whether there will be conscious machines or robots? These fundamental philosophical questions are being explored by neuroscientist Professor Nao Tsuchiya and his team at Monash University.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

1:00 PM

LECTURE HALL - BUILDING 5 (VIA VENEZIA, 20)

