TIME TABLE

TIME	Monday June 7	Tuesday June 8	Wednesday June 9	Thursday June 10	Friday June 11
9.00 - 9.45	Registration	Ounaies	Fu	Gei	Gei
9.45 - 10.30	Lopez-Pamies	Ounaies	Fu	Fu	Gei
11.00 - 11.45	Lopez-Pamies	Keip	Keip	Fu	Lopez-Pamies
11.45 - 12.30	Lopez-Pamies	Keip	Keip	Danas	Danas
14.00 - 14.45	Gei	Ounaies	Fu	Danas	
14.45 - 15.30	Gei	Ounaies	Fu	Danas	
16.00 - 16.45	Danas	Keip	Gei	Lopez-Pamies	
16.45 - 17.30	Danas	Keip	Poster Session	Lopez-Pamies	
18.00	Welcome Aperitif				

ADMISSION AND ACCOMMODATION

The registration fees are:
- Participation in presence, 600.00 Euro + VAT*
This fee includes a complimentary bag, four fixed menu buffet lunches (on Friday upon request), hot beverages, downloadable lecture notes.
- Participation online, 250.00 Euro + VAT*
This fee includes downloadable lecture notes.

Applicants must apply at least one month before the beginning of the course. Application forms should be sent on-line through the following web site: http://www.cism.it. A message of confirmation will be sent to accepted participants. Applicants requiring assistance with the registration should contact the secretariat at the following email address: cism@cism.it.

Applicants may cancel their course registration and receive a full refund by notifying CISM Secretariat in writing (by email to cism@cism.it) no later than two weeks prior to the start of the course.

Cancellation requests received during the two weeks prior to the start of the course will be charged a 50.00 Euro handling fee. Incorrect payments are also subject to a 50.00 Euro handling fee.

A limited number of participants from universities and research centres who are not supported by their own institutions can be offered lodging and/or board, if available, in a reasonably priced hotel or student guest house.

Requests should be sent to CISM Secretariat by **April 7, 2021** along with the applicant's curriculum and a letter of recommendation by the head of the department or a supervisor confirming that the institute cannot provide funding. Preference will be given to applicants from countries that sponsor CISM.

Information about travel and accommodation is available on the web site www.cism.it, or can be mailed upon request.

* where applicable (bank charges are not included)
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ELECTRO- AND MAGNETO-MECHANICS OF SOFT SOLIDS: EXPERIMENTS, MODELING, AND INSTABILITIES

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Over the last two decades, increasing efforts have been devoted by numerous researchers in a wide range of fields to design new composite materials with enhanced coupled properties. Most of these efforts have focused on soft organic materials because of their potential to undergo large reversible deformations when subjected to a variety of external stimuli, such as electric and magnetic fields, temperature changes and chemical changes. The focus of this course will be on the electro- and magneto-mechanics of soft composite materials and structures. These may comprise hierarchical microstructures and/or micro-architectures spanning several length scales from the nano- to the centi-meter.

The focus of the course will be on magnetorheological elastomers

(MREs) and dielectric elastomer composites (DECs), which are composite materials that comprise ferromagnetic and high-dielectric/conducting filler nano- and micro-particles embedded in a soft polymeric matrix. This gives rise to a coupled magneto- and electro-mechanical response at the macroscopic (order of millimeters and larger) scale when they are subjected to magneto- electro-mechanical external stimuli. While such MRE and DEC materials and devices can become unstable at some critical electro-magneto-mechanical loading, their response may be well controlled in the post-instability regime. This feature motivates the operation of these devices in this unstable region to obtain controlled pattern formation, soft robotic motion and artificial muscles, controllable band-gap acoustic and electromagnetic

properties, energy harvesting as well as actively controlled stiffness (for cell-growth).

The topics of this Advanced School will include the presentation of experimental fabrication and testing techniques for MREs and DECs, the derivation of thermodynamically-consistent coupled variational formulations, the numerical implementation and analysis of MREs and DECs as well as of their stability using homogenization techniques, theoretical coupled homogenization and phenomenological continuum theories. The course will emphasize the significance of an integrated experimental-analytical-numerical approach across the relevant length scales.

The Course will consist of introductory lectures on the theoretical aspects of such materials,

followed by lectures on more specialized topics given by eminent experts in the field of experiments, phenomenological and micromechanical modeling of active composites and structures, instabilities and energy harvesting. The course will close with recent examples showing the necessary but also powerful combination of experiments, numerics and theory to study the response of MREs and DECs and their instabilities.

The School is addressed to doctoral students, post-docs and early career researchers with interest in active soft materials. The course is designed to give an integrated experimental, numerical and theoretical viewpoint on such novel material systems as well as possible future research directions in this field.

PRELIMINARY SUGGESTED READINGS

Bertoldi, K., Gei M. (2011), Instabilities in multilayered soft dielectrics, J. Mech. Phys. Solids 59 (1), 18-42.

K. Danas (2017). Effective response of classical, auxetic and chiral magnetoelastic materials by use of a new variational principle, J. Mech. Phys. Solids, 105, 25-53.

Danas K., Kankanala S.V., Triantafyllidis N., (2012). Experiments and modeling of iron-particle-filled magnetorheological elastomers, J. Mech. Phys. Solids, 60, 120-138.

Fu, YB, Xie YX, and Dorfmann, L, (2018). A reduced model for electrodes-coated dielectric plates. Int. J. Non-linear Mech. 106, 60-69.

Keip, M.-A., & Rambausek, M. (2017). Computational and analytical investigations of shape effects in the experimental characterization of magnetorheological elastomers. International Journal of Solids and Structures, 121, 1-20.

Lefèvre, V., Lopez-Pamies, O. 2017. Nonlinear electroelastic deformations of dielectric elastomer

composites: I — Ideal elastic dielectrics. J. Mech. Phys. Solids 99, 409–437.

Lefèvre, V., Lopez-Pamies, O. 2017. Nonlinear electroelastic deformations of dielectric elastomer composites: II — Non-Gaussian elastic dielectrics. J. Mech. Phys. Solids 99, 438–470.

Meddeb, A.B., Ounaies, Z., Lopez-Pamies, O. (2019). Interfacial effects on the electrical behavior of elastomer nanoparticulate composites, Behavior and Mechanics of Multifunctional

Materials XIII 10968, 109680I.

Meddeb, A.B., Tighe, T., Ounaies, Z., Lopez-Pamies, O. (2019). Extreme enhancement of the nonlinear elastic response of elastomer nanoparticulate composites via interphases, Comp. Part B: Engineering 156, 166-173.

Psarra E., Bodelot L., Danas K. (2017). Two-field surface pattern control via marginally stable magnetorheological elastomers, Soft Matter, 13 (37), 6576-6584.

LECTURES

All lectures will be given in English. Lecture notes can be downloaded from the CISM web site. Instructions will be sent to accepted participants.

INVITED LECTURERS

Kostas Danas - LMS, CNRS, Ecole Polytechnique, Palaiseau, France
6 lectures on: magnetoactive soft solids, phenomenological modeling of magneto-elasticity, balance principles (momenta and Maxwell), macroscopic and homogenization modeling and experiments of magnetorheological elastomers (MREs), including instabilities on MRE film/substrate systems, modeling of magnetic hysteresis and h-MREs.

Yibin Fu - Keele University, Staffordshire, UK
6 lectures on: analytical methods for studying periodic and localized buckling patterns, and explain how the methods can be used to study the wrinkling and necking of dielelectric thin sheets under general electromechanical loading conditions.

Massimiliano Gei - Cardiff University, UK
6 lectures on: the phenomenological and micromechanical modeling and stability of dielectric elastomers and dielectric elastomer composites (DECs). He will also present an analysis of the features of different types of devices made up of dielectric elastomers: actuators and mechanical-to-electrical energy converters for energy harvesting purposes.

Marc-André Keip - University of Stuttgart, Germany
*6 lectures on: t*he continuum-mechanical modeling and numerical simulation of magneto-electro-mechanically coupled boundary value problems across length scales, first-order computational homogenization strategies, material and structural stability analysis, and phase-field modeling of microstructures at finite deformations.

Oscar Lopez-Pamies - University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL, USA
6 lectures on: on fundamentals of electro-magneto-elasticity, homogenization of electro-magneto-elastic composites at small and finite deformations, analytical and numerical methods for homogenization in MREs and DECs (with and without space charges), comparisons between homogenization-based theoretical results and experiments.

Zoubeida Ounaies - Penn State University, University Park, PA, USA
4 lectures on: the state-of-the-art fabrication and characterization methods for DECs and MREs featuring nano- and micro-structures, micro- and nano-particulate composites with controlled particle-matrix interfaces, and a broad range of experimental techniques that probe transport mechanisms and dielectric relaxations in the DECs and MREs.