Information and Entropy
A NIMBioS Investigative Workshop

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Information theory and entropy methods are becoming powerful tools in biology, from the level of individual cells, to whole ecosystems, to experimental design, model-building, and the measurement of biodiversity. This investigative workshop aims to synthesize different ways of applying these concepts to help systematize and unify work in biological systems. The principle of maximum entropy production has emerged as a fascinating yet controversial approach to predicting the behavior of biological systems, from individual organisms to whole ecosystems. This investigative workshop will bring together top researchers from diverse fields to share insights and methods and address some long-standing conceptual problems.

Participation in the workshop is by application only. Individuals with a strong interest in the topic are encouraged to apply, and successful applicants will be notified within two weeks of the application deadline. If needed, financial support for travel, meals, and lodging is available for workshop attendees.

Application deadline: November 12, 2014

For more information about the workshop and a link to the online application form, go to http://www.nimbios.org/workshops/WS_entropy

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