



The external environment



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00:00:09,830 --> 00:00:07,430
today

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00:00:11,509 --> 00:00:09,840
i will be talking about my research on

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00:00:14,230 --> 00:00:11,519
the 3d trajectories

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00:00:16,310 --> 00:00:14,240
of locomotory movements of mice and

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00:00:17,029 --> 00:00:16,320
extensions of it that have applications

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00:00:20,630 --> 00:00:17,039
in the field

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00:00:21,670 --> 00:00:20,640
of astrobiology a defining

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00:00:24,630 --> 00:00:21,680
characteristic

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00:00:25,189 --> 00:00:24,640
of all living organisms is their ability

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00:00:27,429 --> 00:00:25,199
to make

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00:00:28,710 --> 00:00:27,439
controlled movements at either some part

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00:00:32,470 --> 00:00:28,720
of their life cycle

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00:00:34,950 --> 00:00:32,480

or throughout their entire lifetime

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00:00:37,990 --> 00:00:34,960
movement is a component of behavior that

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00:00:39,910 --> 00:00:38,000
is critically important to survival

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00:00:41,350 --> 00:00:39,920
whether it is to get from one place to

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00:00:44,790 --> 00:00:41,360
another to find

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00:00:47,110 --> 00:00:44,800
food escape predators or find a mate

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00:00:49,029 --> 00:00:47,120
it is an essential component of all

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00:00:51,590 --> 00:00:49,039
these behaviors

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00:00:54,470 --> 00:00:51,600
in mammals movement reflects the

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00:00:57,029 --> 00:00:54,480
function of the central nervous system

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00:00:59,110 --> 00:00:57,039
in fact even minor changes in the

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00:01:01,590 --> 00:00:59,120
internal states of an organism

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00:01:02,389 --> 00:01:01,600
either physiological states such as some

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00:01:05,429 --> 00:01:02,399

illness

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00:01:06,149 --> 00:01:05,439

or emotional states such as fear are

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00:01:09,190 --> 00:01:06,159

reflected

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00:01:11,990 --> 00:01:09,200

in movement therefore it is

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00:01:13,429 --> 00:01:12,000

highly likely that even mind new changes

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00:01:14,469 --> 00:01:13,439

in the functioning of the central

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00:01:18,870 --> 00:01:14,479

nervous system

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00:01:22,070 --> 00:01:21,270

it was the need to navigate complex

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00:01:24,310 --> 00:01:22,080

environments

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00:01:25,990 --> 00:01:24,320

that led to the formation of the very

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00:01:29,590 --> 00:01:26,000

first centralized nervous

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00:01:31,749 --> 00:01:29,600

systems in fact enriched environments

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00:01:33,190 --> 00:01:31,759

are known to enhance learning and

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00:01:35,670 --> 00:01:33,200

promote intelligence

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00:01:37,670 --> 00:01:35,680

even at the level of the individual

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00:01:38,789 --> 00:01:37,680

these changes can then be passed to the

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00:01:40,630 --> 00:01:38,799

next generation

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00:01:41,990 --> 00:01:40,640

through epigenetic changes that will

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00:01:45,670 --> 00:01:42,000

manifest themselves

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00:01:46,389 --> 00:01:45,680

in future generations here i refer to

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00:01:49,429 --> 00:01:46,399

the physical

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00:01:51,749 --> 00:01:49,439

environment that the organism exists in

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00:01:52,710 --> 00:01:51,759

broad examples from our planet are

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00:01:55,190 --> 00:01:52,720

aquatic

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00:01:58,149 --> 00:01:55,200

aero and terrestrial and underground

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00:02:01,270 --> 00:02:00,550
gravity is a general property of the

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00:02:03,590 --> 00:02:01,280
environment

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00:02:05,429 --> 00:02:03,600
that critically influences the movements

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00:02:07,429 --> 00:02:05,439
made by an organism

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00:02:10,550 --> 00:02:07,439
the physical state of the environment

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00:02:13,190 --> 00:02:10,560
that is whether the environment is solid

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00:02:14,630 --> 00:02:13,200
liquid or gaseous also profoundly

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00:02:16,710 --> 00:02:14,640
affects the strategy

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00:02:18,390 --> 00:02:16,720
of locomotion that an organism will

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00:02:20,309 --> 00:02:18,400
adapt

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00:02:21,830 --> 00:02:20,319
further properties of the environment

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00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:21,840
such as pressure

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00:02:24,869 --> 00:02:24,000

and temperature are also important

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00:02:29,510 --> 00:02:24,879

factors that

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00:02:34,070 --> 00:02:32,470

moreover properties of the environment

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00:02:36,470 --> 00:02:34,080

immediate to the organism

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00:02:38,710 --> 00:02:36,480

such as friction and three-dimensional

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00:02:41,190 --> 00:02:38,720

shape of media in the environment

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00:02:42,309 --> 00:02:41,200

and minor fluctuations in temperature

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00:02:45,509 --> 00:02:42,319

and pressure

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00:02:47,830 --> 00:02:45,519

also impact the modes of locomotion

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00:02:49,670 --> 00:02:47,840

therefore the scale at which we need to

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00:02:50,550 --> 00:02:49,680

quantify the complexity of the

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00:02:52,949 --> 00:02:50,560

environment

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00:02:54,630 --> 00:02:52,959

is at this scale the scale of the

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00:02:57,830 --> 00:02:54,640

immediate properties

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00:03:00,710 --> 00:02:57,840

because this is what necessitates robust

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00:03:02,550 --> 00:03:00,720

navigational strategies and this is

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00:03:05,430 --> 00:03:02,560

reflected in the variability of

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00:03:07,830 --> 00:03:05,440

movements that an organism makes

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00:03:09,830 --> 00:03:07,840

therefore there is a need to quantify

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00:03:10,790 --> 00:03:09,840

the correspondence between environmental

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00:03:14,229 --> 00:03:10,800

complexity

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00:03:17,990 --> 00:03:17,030

ideally i would like to quantify this

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00:03:20,229 --> 00:03:18,000

correspondence

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00:03:22,309 --> 00:03:20,239

between environmental complexity and

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00:03:24,149 --> 00:03:22,319

movement complexity

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00:03:25,670 --> 00:03:24,159

and this would allow us to use

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00:03:28,630 --> 00:03:25,680

environmental complexity

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00:03:29,110 --> 00:03:28,640

to ascertain what types of organisms may

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00:03:32,229 --> 00:03:29,120

exist

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00:03:34,149 --> 00:03:32,239

in a given environment but in order to

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00:03:37,830 --> 00:03:34,159

do this we also need to quantify

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00:03:41,670 --> 00:03:40,470

there are many reliable behavioral

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00:03:44,470 --> 00:03:41,680

models

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00:03:44,869 --> 00:03:44,480

however many behavioral studies make use

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00:03:46,869 --> 00:03:44,879

of

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00:03:48,070 --> 00:03:46,879

highly artificial and reductive

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00:03:49,990 --> 00:03:48,080

conditions and

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00:03:52,070 --> 00:03:50,000

lack the resolution to capture more

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00:03:55,110 --> 00:03:52,080
complex natural movements

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00:03:57,750 --> 00:03:55,120
in three-dimensional space therefore

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00:03:58,830 --> 00:03:57,760
movement complexity in three dimensions

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00:04:02,710 --> 00:03:58,840
is highly

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00:04:05,509 --> 00:04:02,720
understudied in my research

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00:04:06,470 --> 00:04:05,519
i am interested in quantifying movement

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00:04:10,470 --> 00:04:06,480
complexity

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00:04:12,470 --> 00:04:10,480
in mice therefore in order to study

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00:04:13,990 --> 00:04:12,480
complex movement with a high level of

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00:04:17,509 --> 00:04:14,000
precision in freely

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00:04:20,550 --> 00:04:17,519
behaving mice in three-dimensional space

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00:04:23,670 --> 00:04:20,560
our lab has developed the first

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00:04:26,710 --> 00:04:23,680

marker-based 3d motion capture system

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00:04:30,150 --> 00:04:26,720

adapted to observe mice

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00:04:30,950 --> 00:04:30,160

we use seven high-speed high-resolution

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00:04:33,790 --> 00:04:30,960

cameras

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00:04:35,510 --> 00:04:33,800

to record the 3d trajectories of

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00:04:37,189 --> 00:04:35,520

retro-reflective markers

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00:04:39,350 --> 00:04:37,199

that are permanently attached to the

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00:04:42,710 --> 00:04:39,360

skin at strategic locations

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00:04:45,830 --> 00:04:42,720

on the body of the mouse this gives

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00:04:46,950 --> 00:04:45,840

us 3d movement trajectories recorded at

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00:04:50,070 --> 00:04:46,960

a rate of

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00:04:50,469 --> 00:04:50,080

300 frames per second with a resolution

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00:04:53,430 --> 00:04:50,479

of

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00:04:55,270 --> 00:04:53,440
200 micrometers allowing us to see

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00:04:59,189 --> 00:04:55,280
details of mouse movement

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00:05:01,830 --> 00:04:59,199
at an unprecedented level of precision

129
00:05:02,790 --> 00:05:01,840
previous studies in my lab used this

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00:05:04,950 --> 00:05:02,800
methodology

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00:05:06,550 --> 00:05:04,960
to observe mice as they performed

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00:05:09,110 --> 00:05:06,560
different tasks

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00:05:10,150 --> 00:05:09,120
even the simplest of tasks the movement

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00:05:13,350 --> 00:05:10,160
of a mouse

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,360
walking in open field involved highly

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00:05:18,230 --> 00:05:15,759
complex movements that were hard to

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00:05:21,350 --> 00:05:18,240
quantify

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00:05:22,230 --> 00:05:21,360

therefore in order to start simple in my

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00:05:24,629 --> 00:05:22,240

research

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00:05:25,830 --> 00:05:24,639

i aim to quantify the complexity in

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00:05:28,150 --> 00:05:25,840

mouse movements

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00:05:30,629 --> 00:05:28,160

as they locomote on a treadmill at

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00:05:32,950 --> 00:05:30,639

constant speed

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00:05:34,550 --> 00:05:32,960

by observing the mice using the 3d

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00:05:37,029 --> 00:05:34,560

motion capture system

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00:05:39,110 --> 00:05:37,039

as their locomote on a treadmill i

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00:05:42,870 --> 00:05:39,120

obtain highly resolved

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00:05:46,070 --> 00:05:45,430

here you can see a 3d reconstructed

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00:05:59,270 --> 00:05:46,080

video

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00:06:02,870 --> 00:06:01,749

i make use of tools from dynamical

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00:06:05,430 --> 00:06:02,880

systems theory

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00:06:06,950 --> 00:06:05,440

to quantify the variability of these

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00:06:09,430 --> 00:06:06,960

movements

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00:06:10,469 --> 00:06:09,440

i first transform the 3d movement

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00:06:13,029 --> 00:06:10,479

trajectories

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00:06:15,110 --> 00:06:13,039

into an animal-centric coordinate system

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00:06:19,110 --> 00:06:15,120

this is depicted in the schematic here

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00:06:22,790 --> 00:06:22,309

i then embed these movements by making

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00:06:25,350 --> 00:06:22,800

use

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00:06:26,629 --> 00:06:25,360

of the singular spectrum analysis method

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00:06:29,430 --> 00:06:26,639

of embedding

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00:06:30,230 --> 00:06:29,440

which uses windowed principal component

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00:06:33,350 --> 00:06:30,240

analysis

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00:06:35,430 --> 00:06:33,360

to embed the trajectories this

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00:06:37,110 --> 00:06:35,440

provides me with the right coordinate

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00:06:41,749 --> 00:06:37,120

system to visualize

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00:06:45,830 --> 00:06:44,309

here is a plot of a singular spectrum

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00:06:49,510 --> 00:06:45,840

analysis of bedding

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00:06:51,749 --> 00:06:49,520

of the trajectories of the mouse limbs

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00:06:53,270 --> 00:06:51,759

it provides me with well-resolved step

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00:06:55,670 --> 00:06:53,280

cycles

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00:06:57,909 --> 00:06:55,680

and it is already apparent from this

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00:06:59,189 --> 00:06:57,919

that there are two large classes of step

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00:07:01,670 --> 00:06:59,199

cycles

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00:07:03,510 --> 00:07:01,680

but also within these two classes there

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00:07:05,749 --> 00:07:03,520

is a lot of variability

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00:07:10,950 --> 00:07:05,759

and this is exactly the complexity that

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00:07:14,950 --> 00:07:13,589

i then compute the recurrences in the

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00:07:16,870 --> 00:07:14,960

movement trajectories

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00:07:18,629 --> 00:07:16,880

in order to find the different types of

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00:07:21,909 --> 00:07:18,639

step cycles

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00:07:25,110 --> 00:07:21,919

so i do this as follows i would first

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00:07:27,589 --> 00:07:25,120

consider one point in the trajectory

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00:07:28,150 --> 00:07:27,599

and then find all the neighbors of this

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00:07:30,870 --> 00:07:28,160

point

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00:07:32,870 --> 00:07:30,880

that means i find all the times at which

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00:07:33,909 --> 00:07:32,880

the trajectory basically returns to the

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00:07:37,670 --> 00:07:33,919

same neighborhood

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00:07:39,909 --> 00:07:37,680

in space and then i would do this for

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00:07:40,710 --> 00:07:39,919

all the points in the trajectory hence

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00:07:42,950 --> 00:07:40,720

what i get

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00:07:43,990 --> 00:07:42,960

is a recurrence matrix where i have

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00:07:47,270 --> 00:07:44,000

basically

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00:07:48,230 --> 00:07:47,280

the recurrences associated with each

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00:07:51,670 --> 00:07:48,240

point

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00:07:54,869 --> 00:07:51,680

on each row therefore

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00:07:56,230 --> 00:07:54,879

the scales of this plot represent

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00:07:57,990 --> 00:07:56,240

the different time points of the

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00:08:01,510 --> 00:07:58,000

trajectory it is in frames

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00:08:03,749 --> 00:08:01,520

over here and all the parts of the plot

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00:08:05,830 --> 00:08:03,759
that are in white they signify parts of

202
00:08:07,510 --> 00:08:05,840
the trajectory that recur

203
00:08:11,589 --> 00:08:07,520
that is they return to the same point in

204
00:08:15,110 --> 00:08:13,670
and in this recurrence plot of the mouse

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00:08:16,950 --> 00:08:15,120
heinlem trajectories

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00:08:18,550 --> 00:08:16,960
we can also see that there are two

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00:08:20,869 --> 00:08:18,560
different step cycles

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00:08:22,150 --> 00:08:20,879
two different classes of them but within

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00:08:24,070 --> 00:08:22,160
these two different classes

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00:08:26,070 --> 00:08:24,080
there is still a lot of variability and

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00:08:29,670 --> 00:08:26,080
this needs to be quantified this

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00:08:35,589 --> 00:08:32,790
i will now quantify the complexity

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00:08:37,430 --> 00:08:35,599

of these trajectories by making use of

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00:08:40,550 --> 00:08:37,440

information theoretic measures

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00:08:43,029 --> 00:08:40,560

of complexity i will be making use

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00:08:43,990 --> 00:08:43,039

of two main measures the effective

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00:08:46,790 --> 00:08:44,000

complexity

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00:08:47,910 --> 00:08:46,800

and the total information the effective

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00:08:50,150 --> 00:08:47,920

complexity

220

00:08:51,430 --> 00:08:50,160

measures the information needed to

221

00:08:53,509 --> 00:08:51,440

describe the

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00:08:54,790 --> 00:08:53,519

regularities in the data of a given

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00:08:57,430 --> 00:08:54,800

system

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00:08:58,310 --> 00:08:57,440

while the total information can be used

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00:09:01,509 --> 00:08:58,320

to describe

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00:09:03,590 --> 00:09:01,519

fluctuations in the data therefore the

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00:09:05,829 --> 00:09:03,600

next steps in my work are to compute

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00:09:09,509 --> 00:09:05,839

these mathematical complexity measures

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00:09:11,910 --> 00:09:09,519

for my data

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00:09:12,949 --> 00:09:11,920

once this quantitative framework has

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00:09:15,990 --> 00:09:12,959

been established

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00:09:19,190 --> 00:09:16,000

for the simplest of cases a mouse

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00:09:20,470 --> 00:09:19,200

walking on a treadmill i can then extend

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00:09:23,350 --> 00:09:20,480

this methodology

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00:09:25,509 --> 00:09:23,360

to study mice moving in more complex

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00:09:28,230 --> 00:09:25,519

environmental settings

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00:09:29,269 --> 00:09:28,240

i can then use my quantitative methods

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00:09:31,350 --> 00:09:29,279

to compute

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00:09:32,949 --> 00:09:31,360

movement complexity in these different

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00:09:35,430 --> 00:09:32,959

settings

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00:09:37,750 --> 00:09:35,440

additionally i can use these same

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00:09:40,870 --> 00:09:37,760

mathematical measures of complexity

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00:09:43,190 --> 00:09:40,880

to quantify environmental complexity

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00:09:44,310 --> 00:09:43,200

and this will aid in establishing the

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00:09:46,550 --> 00:09:44,320

correspondence

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00:09:50,389 --> 00:09:46,560

between environmental complexity and

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00:09:53,509 --> 00:09:50,399

movement complexity

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00:09:55,030 --> 00:09:53,519

to summarize i want to quantify movement

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00:09:58,389 --> 00:09:55,040

complexity

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00:10:00,550 --> 00:09:58,399

i do this by making use of a 3d

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00:10:01,750 --> 00:10:00,560
marker-based motion capture system

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00:10:05,430 --> 00:10:01,760
adapted to observe

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00:10:07,750 --> 00:10:05,440
freely behaving mice this gives me

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00:10:09,110 --> 00:10:07,760
highly resolved movement trajectories

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00:10:11,509 --> 00:10:09,120
for the first time

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00:10:12,470 --> 00:10:11,519
that enables us to quantify movement

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00:10:16,150 --> 00:10:12,480
complexity

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00:10:18,230 --> 00:10:16,160
in 3d i then make use of tools from

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00:10:20,310 --> 00:10:18,240
dynamical systems theory and

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00:10:21,990 --> 00:10:20,320
information theory to obtain a

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00:10:25,030 --> 00:10:22,000
comprehensive quantification

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00:10:27,030 --> 00:10:25,040
of movement complexity and then this

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00:10:28,389 --> 00:10:27,040

can be used in establishing the

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00:10:29,350 --> 00:10:28,399

correspondence between movement

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00:10:35,990 --> 00:10:29,360

complexity

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00:10:37,990 --> 00:10:36,000

so even the simplistic movements a mouse

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00:10:39,990 --> 00:10:38,000

walking at the same speed

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00:10:41,910 --> 00:10:40,000

is super complex it's more complex than

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we initially expected

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00:10:47,910 --> 00:10:44,320

and in order to quantify this it is

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necessary to study 3d trajectories

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with this we can establish the

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connection between movement

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and environmental complexity therefore

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in conclusion precise measurement

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00:11:05,030 --> 00:11:01,680
of 3d movement trajectories is necessary

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to unfold the complexity of behavior

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and therefore also the complexity of the

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environment

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in which the behavior occurs

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00:11:18,710 --> 00:11:16,480
i would like to thank the members of the

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neuronal rhythms in movement unit

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at oyst for their invaluable guidance

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00:11:25,269 --> 00:11:22,079
throughout

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00:11:27,509 --> 00:11:25,279
my research and i would also like to

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thank the biological physics theory unit

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of oyste

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for all the useful discussion and

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guidance

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regarding the quantitative analyses

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finally i would like to thank the

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organizers of abradcon for giving me

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this opportunity

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to present my research i am lakshmi

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00:11:51,509 --> 00:11:49,360

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00:11:53,990 --> 00:11:51,519

of science and technology

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i work jointly in the neuronal rhythms

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