

# Is your gaze your aim? Eye position in reward gambling and the role of orbito-frontal cortex in encoding the value of visually cued offers 

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## Reward gambling task



Fixate

acquire fixation at center of the screen

## Reward gambling task



## Offer 1


first offer is presented

## Reward gambling task



Offer 1


## Reward gambling task


blank screen

## Reward gambling task



Offer 2


## Reward gambling task



Delay 2

blank screen

## Reward gambling task



Re-fixate

re-acquire fixation at center of the screen

## Reward gambling task



Choice-go

saccade to chosen offer side

## Reward gambling task



Choice-made

hold chosen offer side for at least +200 ms

## Reward gambling task



Feedback

chosen offer is resolved: reward / no reward

## Reward gambling task



## Reward


reward is provided


## Motivations

- Is the gaze position relevant for the reward gambling task execution?
- Can we use the gaze position as a marker of what is the animal mentally picturing during task execution in, particular during delay times?


## Eye movements during task execution



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delay 1

## Eye movements during task execution



## Eye movements during task execution



Trials pooled with first offer re-referenced to Left side.

## Eye movements during task execution



## Eye movements during task execution

choice go
$1^{\circ} \mathrm{L}^{\circ}$

Trials pooled with first offer re-referenced to Left side.


## Generalized Linear Model (GLM) for behavioral choice



## Neural Data



Carmichael, S.T., and Price, J.L. (1994). Architectonic subdivision of the orbital and medial prefrontal cortex in the macaque monkey. J. Comp. Neurol.346,366-402.

## Subject 1

| area | session | \#cells | \# trials |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BA13 | $12 / 07 / 17$ | 51 | 643 |
| BA13 | $12 / 08 / 17$ | 59 | 700 |
| BA11 | $12 / 09 / 17$ | 24 | 697 |
| BA11 | 12/10/17 | 29 | 603 |
|  | Total | 163 | 2643 |

## Subject 2

| area | session | \#cells | \# trials |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BA11 | $3 / 06 / 19$ | 18 | 1015 |
| BA11 | $3 / 07 / 19$ | 32 | 323 |
| BA11 | $3 / 08 / 19$ | 9 | 1084 |
| BA11 | $3 / 11 / 19$ | 26 | 906 |
|  | total | 85 | 3328 |



- 2 Subjects
- 8 Sessions
- 248 Cells


## Data acquisition

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## Motivations

- Are task-relevant variables encoded by OFC cells?
- Is the gaze position relevant in the neural process of encoding the offer values?


## GLM for OFC spiking activity




Hypothesis:
Focusing on the Left offer EV, $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{L})$
if the monkey looks at Left/Right side, is the $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{L})$ coding in OFC affected?

delay 2


Test:
Consider trials where monkey mostly

- LookL: tR/(tR+tL)<0.5
- LookR: tR/(tR+tL)>0.5
- GLM for $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{L}):$ Look Left $\eta \approx \operatorname{Poiss}\left(f^{-1}\left(\beta_{0, L}+\beta_{L} \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{L})\right)\right)$
- GLM for $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{L}):$ Look Right $\eta \approx \operatorname{Poiss}\left(f^{-1}\left(\beta_{0, R}+\boldsymbol{\beta}_{R} \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{L})\right)\right)$
$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{L}$ vs $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{R}$ ? ?




choice
LookL LookR


GLM for $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$ :
LookL vs LookR


## Conclusions

- The gaze position has a significant role in the reward gambling task execution: the fraction of time spent at either screen side is predictive of the chosen side;

- Task-relevant variables are encoded by a significant fraction of OFC cells, including the fraction of time spent inspecting either screen side;

- The gaze position is relevant in the process of encoding offer values: looking at either side possibly yields stronger coding of the ipsi-later offer EV.




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Thank you for your attention.

## Eye Data



## Eye movements during task execution


$\Rightarrow$ Subject is inspecting the CURRENT offer (on screen)
$\Rightarrow$ Subject is not interested in CURRENT offer (on screen) since it is not the best
$\Rightarrow$ Subject drifts the gaze to NEXT offer location (blank screen) for a better value
$\Rightarrow$ Subject drifts the gaze back to PREVIOUS location (blank screen) for a better value
$\Rightarrow$ Subject correctly holds the gaze to choose the BEST offer

## Eye Data

Two-dimensional distribution of eye position during task execution
Left EV > Right EV


## Experimental paradigm

Reward gambling task


Orbito-Frontal Cortex (OFC)


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## Eye Data

## GLM for neural spiking activity


$x_{1}, w_{1}$, Left offer EV
$x_{2}, w_{2}$, Right offer EV
$x_{3}, w_{3}$, Left offer VAR
$x_{4}, w_{4}$, Right offer VAR
$x_{5}, w_{5}$, order 1 st $L=1$
$x_{6}, w_{6}, t R /(t R+t L)$

- n.s. $\bullet \bullet \bullet$ • $P<0.05$



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- n.s. $\bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet P<0.05$
time bins ( 1 ms ) 400



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LookL LookR
choice


LookL LookR

GLM for $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{L})$ : LookL vs LookR

GLM for $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$ :
LookL vs LookR

GLM for
$\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{R})-\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{L})$ :
LookL vs LookR


choice


LookL LookR

GLM for $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{L})$ : LookL vs LookR

GLM for $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{R})$ :
LookL vs LookR

## GLM for

$\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{R})-\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{L})$ :
LookL vs LookR



Significant $\beta_{L}$
-
OfferLev lookL
OfferLev lookR
Preoffer $\beta_{L}$
Significant $\beta_{R}$
Signif. \& n.s. $\beta_{R}$
$\left(\beta_{L}-\beta_{R}\right)$ for signif. $\beta_{L} \&$ signif. $\beta_{R}$
$\left(\beta_{L}-\beta_{R}\right)$ for signif. \& n.s. $\beta_{L}, \beta_{R}$
$\begin{array}{lccc}\text { Preoffer1 } & \text { Offer1 } & \text { Delay1 } & \text { Offer2 } \\ 44 / 248^{* * *} & 47 / 248^{* * *} & 73 / 248(\%)^{* * *} & 42 / 248^{* * *}\end{array}$
Delay2 Re-fixate $27 / 248^{* * *}$

33/248***
$45 / 248(\%)^{* * *} \quad 38 / 248^{* * *}$
$43 / 248(\%)^{* * *}$
16/248



Significant $\beta_{L}$
$\begin{array}{lc}\text { Preoffer1 Offer1 } & \text { Delay1 }\end{array}$
$\left(\beta_{L}-\beta_{R}\right)$ for signif. $\beta_{L} \&$ signif. $\beta_{R}$

OfferLev lookL

OfferLev lookR

49/248**
39/248**

Offer2
Signif. \& n.s. $\beta_{R}$

What if we used more bins for Look $L$ vs Look R? i.e. $t \mathrm{R} /(\mathrm{tR}+\mathrm{tL})$ binned as $[0,0.25,0.5,1$ ]









What if we used more bins for Look $L$ vs Look R? i.e. $t \mathrm{R} /(\mathrm{tR}+\mathrm{tL})$ binned as $[0,1 / 6,2 / 6,3 / 6,4 / 6$, 5/6, 1]






GLM for spike count $\eta$ :
$\eta \approx \exp \left(\beta_{0}+\beta_{1} \cdot\left(\boldsymbol{R}_{\boldsymbol{E} V}\right)\right)$

