1 The functional reach of the hippocampal
2 memory system to the oculomotor system

3 Abbreviated title: Hippocampal Responses Reach Oculomotor Regions

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Abstract

Visual exploration is related to activity in the hippocampus (HC) and/or extended medial

temporal lobe system (MTL), is influenced by stored memories, and is altered in amnesic

cases. An extensive set of polysynaptic connections exist between the HC and

oculomotor system; however, it is not known if HC responses ultimately influence neural

activity in the oculomotor system, and the timing by which such neural modulation could

occur. We conducted simulations of the functional interactions between the two systems

in the macaque brain by leveraging The Virtual Brain, a software platform for

connectome-based modelling. Stimulation of CA1, pre-subiculum, and MTL cortices

each resulted in observable responses in oculomotor regions, including the frontal eye

fields (FEF), within the time of a fixation (<200ms). Stimulation of the subiculum and

para-subiculum resulted in slower responses to FEF (400+ms), and CA3 stimulation did

not reach FEF. Activity indicative of feedback from oculomotor regions was observed in

cortical regions (areas 5, 7a, posterior cingulate) known for representing spatial frames of

reference. Modeled lesions to the entorhinal, parahippocampal, and perirhinal cortices

each slowed the dissipation of HC signal to oculomotor regions, whereas HC lesions

generally did not affect the rapid MTL activity propagation (<100ms) to oculomotor

regions. These findings provide novel evidence that information represented by the

HC/MTL activity may influence the oculomotor system during the time of a gaze

fixation. HC lesions may result in an increased rate of visual exploration due to the

remaining, and relatively faster, signal from MTL regions.

55   **Significance Statement**

No major account of oculomotor (eye movement) guidance considers the influence of the

hippocampus (HC) and broader medial temporal lobe (MTL) system, yet it is clear that

information is exchanged between the two systems. Prior experience influences current

viewing, and cases of amnesia due to compromised HC/MTL function show specific

alterations in viewing behaviour. Using computational modeling, we show that

stimulation of subregions of the HC, and of the MTL, rapidly results in observable

responses in oculomotor control regions, and that HC/MTL lesions alter signal

propagation. These findings suggest that information from memory may readily guide

visual exploration, and calls for a reconsideration of the neural circuitry involved in

oculomotor guidance.

Introduction

Memory influences ongoing active exploration of the visual environment (see Hannula et al., 2010, for review). For instance, more viewing is directed to novel versus previously viewed items (Fantz, 1964; Fagan, 1970), and more viewing is directed to areas that have been altered from a prior viewing (Ryan et al., 2000; Smith, Hopkins, & Squire, 2006). Amnesic cases who have severe memory impairments due to compromised function of the hippocampus (HC) and/or broader medial temporal lobe (MTL) show changes in their viewing behavior compared to neurologically-intact cases (Ryan et al., 2000; Hannula et al., 2007; Warren et al., 2010; Chau et al., 2011; Olsen et al., 2015). Similar findings have been observed in older adults who have suspected HC/MTL compromise (Ryan et al., 2007), and certain viewing patterns have been shown to track with entorhinal cortex (ERC) volumes (Yeung et al., 2017). Visual exploration predicts HC activity during encoding (Liu et al., 2018), and, conversely, HC/MTL activity predicts ongoing visual exploration that is indicative of memory retrieval (Hannula & Ranganath, 2009; Ryals et al., 2015). The relationship between visual sampling and HC activity is weakened in aging, presumably due to decline in HC structure or function (Liu et al., 2018). Such evidence collectively demonstrates that HC/MTL function is related to oculomotor *behavior*. The indirect implication of these studies is that the HC must influence *neural activity* in the oculomotor system.

Studies in non-human primates have shown that HC/MTL activity is linked to oculomotor behavior. The activity of grid cells in the ERC are tied to eye position (Killian, Jutras, & Buffalo, 2012), while HC/MTL activity is modulated by saccades (Sobotka, Nowicka, & Ringo, 1997) and fixations (Hoffman et al., 2013; 2013; Leonard

et al., 2015). How HC/MTL activity traverses the brain to influence the oculomotor

system has not been shown to date. There are no known direct connections in the non-

human primate between hippocampal subfields and the oculomotor system. Yet, we have

shown that there is an extensive set of polysynaptic pathways spanning extrastriate,

posterior parietal, and prefrontal regions that may mediate the exchange of information

between the oculomotor and memory systems (Shen, Bezgin, Selvam, McIntosh & Ryan,

2016). Prior work has speculated as to which regions of the brain may be important for

transmitting information between the HC and oculomotor systems (e.g., Meister and

Buffalo, 2017; Micic et al., 2010), but such discussions were limited to regions examined

in isolation without considering the large and complex contribution of recurrent

connections to the functional dynamics of large-scale brain networks. This limits our

ability to examine a crucial question: is HC/MTL activity able to influence activity in the

oculomotor system? In order to impact ongoing visual exploration, HC/MTL activity

would likely need to resolve in the oculomotor system within the time of an average

duration of a gaze fixation (~ 250-400 ms; Henderson, Nuthmann, Luke, 2013).

To examine the extent to which HC/MTL activity could influence activity in the

oculomotor system, we leveraged a computational modeling and neuroinformatics

platform, The Virtual Brain (TVB; thevirtualbrain.org) in combination with a macaque

large-scale network. HC subregions and MTL cortices were each stimulated separately

within the connectome-based model and the dissipation of activity through pre-identified

cortical anatomical pathways (Shen et al., 2016) was observed (Spiegler et al 2016).

Critically, we examined whether activity culminated in responses in key regions within

the oculomotor system that provide motoric (e.g., frontal eye fields, FEF) and cognitive

control (e.g., dorsolateral prefrontal cortex, dlPFC; anterior cingulate, ACC) of eye

movements (Johnston & Everling 2008). Finally, we observed the extent to which the

propagation and timing of such activity was altered following lesions to one or more

HC/MTL regions in order to understand the underlying neural dynamics that may result

in altered visual exploration in cases of HC/MTL dysfunction, such as in amnesia or

aging.

Methods

Large-scale network dynamics were simulated using TheVirutalBrain software platform.

The connectome-based model represented each node of the network as a neural mass, all

coupled together according to a structural connectivity matrix which constrains the

spatial and temporal interactions of the system (Deco et al 2011; Breakspear 2017).

Data

A macaque network with 77 nodes of a single hemisphere was defined using the FV91

parcellation (Felleman & Van Essen 1991) and its structural connectivity was queried

using the CoCoMac database of tract tracing studies (cocomac.g-node.org; Stephan et al

2001 Phil Trans Roy Soc B Bakker et al 2012 Frontiers in Neuroinformatics). A review

of the extant literature was also performed to ensure the accuracy of anatomical pathways

within and across MTL and oculomotor systems (see Shen et al 2016). Self-connections

were not included in the connectivity matrix.

As CoCoMac only provides categorical weights for connections (i.e., weak,

moderate or strong), we ran probabilistic tractography on diffusion-weighted MR

imaging data from 10 male adult macaque monkeys (9 *Macaca mulatta*, 1 *Macaca*

fascicularis, age 5.8 ± 1.9 years) using the FV91 parcellation to estimate the fibre tract

capacities and tract lengths between regions. Image acquisition, preprocessing and

tractography procedures for this particular dataset have been previously described (Shen

et al 2019; Shen et al 2018). Fiber tract capacity estimates (i.e., 'weights') between each

ROI pair were computed as the number of streamlines detected between them,

normalized by the total number of streamlines that were seeded. Connectivity weight

estimates were averaged across animals and applied to the tracer network, keeping only

the connections that appear in the tracer network. The resulting structural connectome

was therefore directed, as defined by the tracer data, and fully weighted, as estimated

from tractography. Tract lengths were also estimated using probabilistic tractography.

Node dynamics

The dynamics of each node in the macaque network were given by the following generic

2-dimensional planar oscillator equations:

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\begin{aligned}
\dot{V}_i &= \tau\left(-fV_i^3 + eV_i^2 + gV_i + \alpha W_i + \xi \sum_{j=1}^{N} w_{ij} V_j(t - \Delta_{ij}) + \gamma I\right) \\
\dot{W}_i &= \tau^{-1}\left(cV_i^2 + bV_i - \beta W_i + a\right)
\end{aligned}
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where the fast variable V represents mean subthreshold neural activity (i.e., local field

potential) at node i, W is a slower timescale recovery variable; the differential time

constants of V vs. W are controlled by the time scale separation parameter τ.

The local coupling is scaled by g, while the global connectivity scaling factor ξ

acts on all incoming connections to each node, which are also weighted individually by

the connectivity weights matrix w (as described above). Exogenous stimulation currents

of interest in the present study enter the system through the input variable *I*. Transmission

between network nodes was constrained according to the conduction delays matrix $\Delta =$

L/v, where *L* is a matrix of inter-regional tract lengths and *v* is axonal conduction

velocity. As in Spiegler et al. (2016), cubic, quadratic, and linear coefficients for *V* and *W*

were set such that the dynamics reduce to a classic Fitzhugh-Nagumo system. Additional

model parameters are listed in Table 1.

162   Brain dynamics operate near criticality when at rest (Ghosh et al., 2008). In this

state, the nodes will naturally oscillate with constant magnitude. Setting the local

parameter *g* so that the system operates near criticality will allow the node respond with a

strong amplitude, and a longer lasting oscillation. If far from the critical point, the

amplitude responses will be weak, slow, and fade quickly, and if spreading within a

network, the excitation will decay quickly as it travels. Given our network's structure, re-

entry points allow a node to be re-stimulated, making the excitation last longer and travel

farther through the network (Spiegler et al., 2016). Following Spiegler et al. (2016), we

tuned the model parameters such that the working point of each node was in a critical

regime. The system of delay-differential equations shown above were solved numerically

using a Heun Deterministic integration scheme, with step size dt=0.1 ms.

Model tuning & stimulation parameters

Simulations were run for 7000 ms, with stimulus onset occurring after 5000 ms to allow

for settling of the initial transient resulting from randomly specified initial conditions. A

single pulsed stimulus was used, with duration of 100 ms. To determine when nodes

became active following stimulation, we first computed the envelope of each node's

timeseries using a Hilbert transform. Each node's baseline activity was taken as the mean

amplitude of the envelope in the 200 ms prior to stimulation. The activation threshold of

each node was defined as the baseline activity ± 2 std and activation time of each node

was taken as the time its envelope amplitude surpassed the activation threshold.

To create a biologically realistic model, we stimulated V1 to find activation times

of the following areas: V1, V2, V3, V4, middle temporal and medial superior temporal.

Conduction velocity (v) was set to 3.0 m/s, and was within the range of conduction

velocities estimated in empirical studies of the macaque brain (Girard, Hupé, Bullier,

2001; Caminiti et al., 2013). Activation times following V1 stimulation were compared to

available empirical data (Schmolensky et al., 1998) and relevant model parameters were

adjusted accordingly. Global coupling ξ was set to 0.012. The parameter g was set to -0.1

such that the system operated close to the criticality by dampening local excitability.

Stimulus weighting (γ) was set to 0.03. Using these model parameters, simulated

response times of visual areas following V1 stimulation exhibited a pattern of activations

resembling the known hierarchical processing organization of the visual system (V2: 4

ms, V3: 4 ms, V4: 8 ms, MT: 9 ms, MSTl: 37 ms, MSTd: 47 ms, FEF: 99 ms).

Differences with empirical activation times (e.g., MST and FEF) may be due 1) a lack of

subcortical-cortical pathways in our model; and 2) the use of the same conduction

velocity for all connections.

The same model and stimulation parameters were then used to stimulate the

subregions of the hippocampus (CA3, CA1, subiculum, pre-subiculum, para-subiculum),

enthorinal cortex (ERC), areas 35 and 36 of the perirhinal cortex (PRC), and areas TF

and TH of the parahippocampal cortex (PHC), to look for the activations of nodes whose

pathways may serve to mediate the exchange of information between the memory and

oculomotor systems (Shen et al., 2016). These nodes of interest included areas V2, V4,

7a, granular insular cortex, anterior cingulate cortex, 46, 12, proisocortex, 5, 10, 11,

orbitofrontal area 13, orbitofrontal area 14, 23, 25, 32,and 11. We further examined

whether activation was observed in regions important for oculomotor guidance, including

the dorsolateral prefrontal cortex (area 46), anterior cingulate cortex (area 24), and the

frontal eye fields.

Lesion models

Lesions of particular HC and MTL subregions were simulated by removing their afferent

and efferent connections to the rest of the network. Stimulations of other HC and MTL

sites were repeated on these lesion models.

Code availability

Simulations were carried out using the command-line (Python) version of

TheVirtualBrain (TVB) software package which is available for download at

http://thevirtualbrain.org. The customized TVB code for simulations is available upon

request.

218   **Results**

<u>HC Subregion Stimulation</u>

Stimulation of HC subregions CA1, S, PrS, and PaS resulted in observable responses in

all of the cortical nodes of interest, and within regions 46, 24, and FEF, of the oculomotor

system (for CA1 example, see Figure 1A). Within our oculomotor regions of interest,

activity was first observed in area 46, followed by 24, and finally FEF, regardless of HC

stimulation site. Stimulation of the PrS resulted in the fastest observable responses in

these oculomotor areas (under 70 ms; Figure 2A). Stimulation of CA1 resulted in rapid

activity that culminated in oculomotor regions in under 220 ms (Figure 2B). Stimulation

of either the S or the PaS resolved into area 46 activity by 200 ms, into area 24 by 250

ms, and finally into FEF by 500 ms (Figure 2C-D). Responses were not observed in the

majority of the pre-defined cortical hubs following CA3 stimulation, and activity did not

culminate in observable responses in the oculomotor areas (Figure 1B). See Table 2 for

activation times for all nodes of interest.

Figure 1. (A) Stimulation of the CA1 (red circle) resulted in observable responses (blue circles) in multiple HC/MTL nodes, intermediary nodes, and in regions governing oculomotor control, including the frontal eye fields (FEF). (B) Stimulation of the CA3 (red circle) resulted in observable responses (blue circles) limited to HC/MTL nodes. Very few responses were observed in oculomotor or cortical areas. Size and shade of the circles scale with elapsed time prior to an observed response. Grey lines denote direct structural connections between nodes. Only regions of interest - those that are involved in the shortest paths between HC/MTL and oculomotor nodes - are shown.

Figure 2. Response profiles (envelope of region time series) of oculomotor areas following stimulation of PrS (A), CA1 (B), S (C) and PaS (D). Activation is given in arbitrary units (a.u.). The onset of the response for areas 46, 24 and FEF indicated by green, blue and dark blue arrows, respectively.

MTL Stimulation

Stimulation of any of the broader regions within the MTL (ERC, 35, 36, TF, TH) resulted

in observable responses within oculomotor areas 46, 24, and FEF well under 100ms,

faster than the responses observed from HC subfield stimulation. Of the MTL regions,

stimulation of area 35/36 resulted in the earliest responses in areas 46, 24, and FEF

(within 25 ms). See Table 2 for activation times for all nodes of interest.

Cortical Responses

HC and MTL region stimulation (except for CA3) resulted in signal propagation across

all of our pre-identified cortical regions of interest. When CA3 was stimulated, cortical

responses were only observed in areas V2 and 25; no other signal was observed. Notably,

responses in areas 5 and 7a were generally observed *following* activity from oculomotor

regions, including FEF, suggestive of a possible feedback response. The exception is S

stimulation, in which responses in area 5 preceded responses in oculomotor regions by

~100 ms. Responses in V4 also followed oculomotor responses; except in cases of CA1,

TF, and TH stimulation. Likewise, responses in area 23 followed oculomotor responses,

except in cases of PrS and TH stimulation. See Table 2 for activation times for all nodes

of interest.

Lesion Models: HC subregions

Some models of HC and MTL lesions showed an appreciable effect on activation times

while others did not. Only the results for lesions that affected any activation time by at

least ±10 ms are shown. Lesion of CA3 changed neither the pattern nor the timing of

observable responses following stimulation of each of the other HC/MTL regions (data

not shown). Lesion of CA1 resulted in a lack of signal to V2, V4, and area 23, and

slowing of signal from the subicular complex to various regions, including the

oculomotor regions (Figure 3A; Table 3). Lesion of CA1 also led to small increases in the

speed of signal following CA3 stimulation to the subicular complex, and from MTL

regions to TF/TH, and to other regions within the subicular complex (all less than 10 ms).

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Figure 3. Changes in activation times following HC lesions. Subicular stimulation
following CA1 (A) and ERC (B) lesions. Only nodes of interest are presented on the
brain surface plots. Activation time differences were computed by subtracting the pre-
lesion activation times from the post-lesion ones. Absence of response following a lesion
indicated in grey.

Lesions to either the S or PaS produced little change to either the pattern or timing

of responses following stimulation of the other HC/MTL regions (data not shown).

Lesions to the PrS produced moderate changes (<20 ms) in timing: there was some

slowing of activity propagation from PaS to some cortical regions, including oculomotor

regions, and some speeding of signal propagation within the HC subfields and to TF/TH

(Table 4).

A combined lesion to all HC subfields (CA3/CA1/S/PaS/PrS) did not

considerably change the pattern of signal propagation from the MTL cortices to

oculomotor regions. In cases where speeding/slowing was observed, the timing

differences were less than 15 ms, and mostly less than 10ms. Signal from the MTL

cortices still culminated within the oculomotor regions well under 50 ms (except for ERC

-> FEF at 79 ms) (Table 5).

<u>Lesion Models: MTL regions</u>

Lesion of the ERC resulted in considerable slowing of observable signal in oculomotor

regions (30-340ms) following S (Figure 3B) or PaS stimulation (Table 6). TF and/or TH

lesions resulted in slowing (10-400ms) of signal following CA1, S, and PaS stimulation

to one or more oculomotor regions, and a lack of response in FEF following PaS

stimulation (only the combined TF/TH is shown; Table 7). Area 35 and/or 36 lesions also

resulted in slowing (10-90ms) of signal following CA1, S, and PaS stimulation to one or

more oculomotor regions, although not as severe as the slowing observed following

TF/TH lesions (only the combined 35/36 lesion is shown; Table 8).

<u>Other Cortical Lesions</u>

In our original stimulations, signals in regions 5, 7a, 23, and V4 were predominantly

observed following observable responses in one or more of the oculomotor regions of

interest here, suggesting these cortical areas are receiving feedback signals rather than

primarily serving as hubs to transfer signal from the HC/MTL to the oculomotor regions.

To explore this in more depth, we did a combined lesion of 5/7a/23/V4 and examined

signal propagation. Following this combined cortical lesion, stimulation of each of the

HC/MTL regions (except for CA3) continued to result in observable signal in each of the

oculomotor regions (Table 9).

314   **Discussion**

A preponderance of evidence has demonstrated a relationship between HC/MTL neural

activity and oculomotor *behavior* (Liu et al., 2017; Leung et al., 2017, 2018; Killian,

Potter, Buffalo, 2015; Hannula et al., 2010), but research had not shown the influence of

the HC/MTL on oculomotor *activity,* and the HC/MTL are not considered in most models

of oculomotor control (e.g., Itti & Koch 2000; Hamker 2006; but see Belopolsky 2015).

The HC is well connected anatomically to the oculomotor system through a set of

polysynaptic pathways that span MTL, frontal, parietal, and visual cortices (Shen et al.,

2016), but, the existence of anatomical connections does not provide conclusive evidence

of functional relevance of specific pathways. Here, we show that propagation of

HC/MTL neural activity directly results in neural activity observable in area 24 (ACC)

and area 46 (dlPFC), and in the FEF, which are important for the cognitive and motoric

control of eye movements, respectively (Johnston & Everling, 2008). Critically, the

culmination of neural signal in one or more oculomotor control regions occurred within

the time of a typical gaze fixation (~250-400 ms; Henderson, Nuthmann, Luke, 2013;

Buswell, 1935): within 200 ms following HC subfield stimulation (except for CA3), and

within 100 ms following stimulation of each MTL region. Thus, the underlying neural

dynamics of the memory and oculomotor systems allow for representations mediated by

the HC/MTL to guide visual exploration – what is foveated and when – on a moment-to-

moment basis.

The lack of responses in the FEF following CA3 stimulation is not surprising,

given that there are no known direct connections, and fewer polysynaptic pathways,

between the CA3 and the oculomotor regions investigated here (Shen et al., 2016). The

functional and anatomical differences align well with the purported representational

functions of CA3 versus CA1. Foveated information may be bound into detailed memory

representations via the auto-associative network of the CA3 (*pattern separation;* Yassa &

Stark, 2011; Norman & O'Reilly, 2003), whereas CA1 would enable the comparison of

stored information to the external visual world (*pattern completion;* Yassa & Stark, 2011;

Rolls, 2013).

Stimulation of the subiculum and parasubiculum resulted in relatively slower

responses observed in each of the oculomotor regions, whereas stimulation of

presubiculum resulted in rapid responses observed in the oculomotor regions. The

subiculum and parasubiculum may largely provide information that supports the grid cell

mapping of the ERC (Tang et al., 2016; Peyrache, Schieferstein, Buzsaki, 2017; Boccara

et al., 2010). These regions may then function as a 'pointer' by providing online

information of an individual's location in space (Tang et al., 2016). This slowly changing

spatial layout may not then require a rapid influence on the oculomotor system, but

instead, may allow for the presubiculum, which has cells that are responsive to head

direction (Robertson et al., 1999) to precisely locate and foveate visual objects. These

functional distinctions are speculative, and remain to be tested.

Stimulation of each of the MTL cortices resulted in observable responses in each

of the three oculomotor regions considered here that were faster than any of the responses

observed following HC subregion stimulation. The MTL cortices are intermediary nodes

that may permit the relatively rapid transfer of information from HC to the oculomotor

system. The unique representational content supported by each region may influence

ongoing visual exploration in a top-down manner. The PRC provides lasting information

regarding the features of objects (Graham, Barense & Lee, 2010; Erez, Cusack, Kendall

& Barense, 2016), the PHC provides information regarding the broader spatial

environment (Alvarado & Bachevalier, 2005; Eichenbaum, Yonelinas, Ranganath, 2007;

Sato & Nakamura, 2003), and the ERC may provide information regarding the relative

spatial arrangements of features within (Yeung et al., 2017), and among objects within

the environment (Buckmaster, Eichenbaum, Amaral, Suzuki & Rapp, 2004; Yeung et al.,

in press). Signal from the MTL may be used to accurately, and rapidly, prioritize gaze

fixations to areas of interest.

HC subfield lesions only minimally altered the timing of activity from MTL to

oculomotor regions; the relatively rapid propagation of signal from MTL to FEF (<

100ms) was preserved. Lesions to MTL regions resulted in slowing of signal from some

HC subfields to oculomotor regions. This pattern of results suggests that different

patterns of visual exploration (i.e., rate, area) may occur in cases of HC/MTL damage

depending on the location of the lesion. Lesions restricted to HC subfields may result in

an increase in the rate of gaze fixations due to the intact, rapid responses from the MTL

to oculomotor regions. This is consistent with prior work in which a developmental

amnesic case with HC subfield volume reductions showed an increase in gaze fixations

compared to control participants (Olsen et al., 2015). Similarly, older adults, who had

functional changes in the HC, showed increases in visual exploration (Liu et al., 2017).

ERC and PHC lesions may slow the use of information regarding the broader, ongoing

spatial environment; this could result in the need to continually revisit regions to re-

establish the relations within and among objects, and with their broader environment, and

thus an increased area of visual exploration and/or increase between-object gaze

transitions would be observed. Such behavior has been shown by older adults, which may

be related to structural and/or functional changes in the ERC (Chan, Kamino, Binns &

Ryan, 2012; Leung et al., 2017; 2019).

A future question for investigation is how distinct types of representations from

the HC/MTL are integrated and prioritized to influence visual exploration, including

saccade timing and the ordering of gaze fixations to distinct targets. Alternatively, the

functionally distinct representations of the HC/MTL may not actually be integrated

within the oculomotor system; rather, each may guide visual exploration at different

moments, as time unfolds, as new information in the visual world is sampled, and as task

demands are enacted and ultimately met. In either case, multiple memory 'signals' are

evident within patterns of gaze fixations, including memory for single stimuli (Althoff &

Cohen, 1999; Smith & Squire, 2017), memory for the relative spatial (and non-spatial)

relations within (Yeung et al., 2017), and among objects (Ryan et al., 2000; Smith,

Hopkins & Squire, 2006; Hannula et al., 2007). Dissociations in these memory signals

can be observed within single gaze patterns in neuropsychological cases (Ryan & Cohen,

2003).

Memory may influence visual exploration through multiple routes. Responses

emanating from the HC/MTL that ultimately resulted in observable responses in the

ACC, dlPFC, and FEF traversed through multiple frontal, visual, and parietal nodes.

Cortical responses were also observed *following* responses in the oculomotor regions.

Specifically, areas 5, 7a, 23 (posterior cingulate), and V4 may receive feedback from

oculomotor regions, rather than serving as hubs that relay information between the

HC/MTL and oculomotor systems (Meister & Buffalo, 2016). Area 5 has been implicated

in mapping visual and body-centered frames of reference to support visually-guided

reaching (Seelke et al., 2012). Cells in area 7a are responsive to eye position and saccades

(Bremmer, Distler, Hoffman, 1997). The posterior cingulate is part of the default mode

network (Buckner, Andrews-Hanna, Schacter, 2008; see Vincent, Kahn, Van Essen &

Buckner, 2010 for a homologous default mode network in primates) that is active during

internally directed cognitions. Neurons in V4 of the macaque are known to integrate

visual and oculomotor information, and show remapping of space towards that of a

saccade target, thereby bridging pre- and post-saccade spatial representations (Neupane,

Guitton, Pack, 2016). Information from the HC/MTL may guide gaze selection and

execution, and the resulting spatial selections are continually updated throughout cortex

to promote ongoing exploration, and feed back into memory.

It should be noted that future work remains to examine signal propagation across

subcortical-cortical pathways. The present work did not include such pathways because

although CoCoMac does contain tracer data regarding the presence/absence of thalamic

connections, it does not provide connection weights, which are critical to constraining the

dynamics of the model. We have validated the tractography methodologies used here for

estimating cortical connection strengths against available tracer data (Shen et al., 2019);

however, validated methods for running tractography in subcortical regions in macaques

do not currently exist. Nonetheless, a lack of subcortical considerations does not diminish

the evidence of the rapid communication between the hippocampal and oculomotor

systems via cortical routes, within the time window of a typical gaze fixation.

427   Neuropsychological, neuroimaging, and neurophysiological studies provide

important information regarding the representational content that is supported by distinct

regions of the brain. A network analysis approach can be instrumental in revealing the

broad dynamics by which such representational content governs behavior (Mišić, Goñi,

Betzel, Sporns, & McIntosh, 2014; Vlachos, Aertsen, & Kumar, 2012). Memory for

objects and their spatial relations provide rapid guidance for gaze prioritization and

accurate targeting for foveation. Disruptions to the HC/MTL result in an altered rate and

pattern of visual exploration (Olsen et al., 2015; Hannula, Ryan, Warren, 2017),

consistent with the dynamics of our lesion models. The present work calls for a

reconsideration of the neural architecture that supports oculomotor guidance: the

HC/MTL provides information to guide visual exploration across space and time.

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Table 1. Additional Generic 2D oscillator model parameters

Parameter	Value	Description
d	0.07674	Temporal scale factor
τ	1	Time-scale hierarchy parameter
f	1	Coefficient for fast variable cubic self-feedback term
e	0	Coefficient for fast variable quadratic self-feedback term
g	-0.1	Coefficient of fast variable linear self-feedback term
α	1	Coefficient for linear input term from slow to fast variable
γ	1	Additional scaling parameter for fast variable constant input I and long-range inputs
c	0	Coefficient for quadratic input term from fast variable to slow variable
b	-12.3038	Coefficient for linear input term from fast variable to slow variable
β	0	Coefficient for slow variable linear self-feedback term
a	0	Slow variable constant input term
I	0	Fast variable constant input term

Table 2. Activation times (ms) following stimulation of hippocampal subfields and
medial temporal lobe regions. Only regions of interest (HC/MTL regions, oculomotor
nodes, and regions that are involved in the shortest paths between HC/MTL and
oculomotor nodes) are shown. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum;
ERC = entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0*
= stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	**CA1**	**S**	**PrS**	**PaS**	**ERC**	**35**	**36**	**TF**	**TH**
	CA3	*0*	48	31	37	27	0	21	20	48	1
	CA1	137	*0*	0	0	46	0	8	2	0	0
	S	115	17	*0*	26	37	0	16	10	0	0
	PrS	84	23	119	*0*	25	6	13	11	0	0
	PaS	350	17	96	28	*0*	50	15	0	0	32
	ERC	169	40	0	4	0	*0*	0	0	7	13
	35	567	6	21	49	50	0	*0*	0	9	19
	36	317	1	14	10	6	0	0	*0*	6	14
	TF	137	0	20	0	44	11	12	6	*0*	0
	TH	7	0	29	0	0	20	29	18	0	*0*
Observation Node	**7a**	N/A	381	202	336	795	256	53	52	103	59
	V4	N/A	76	353	103	244	280	147	142	5	15
	V2	215	56	274	48	66	139	16	17	6	0
	Ig	N/A	11	63	75	189	11	4	6	21	13
	Pro	N/A	52	96	12	48	3	1	4	29	20
	5	N/A	322	50	92	555	249	129	141	69	64
	10	N/A	59	24	83	106	12	10	12	81	20
	11	N/A	12	68	74	166	10	7	8	38	48
	12	N/A	96	186	93	285	15	9	10	24	34
	13	N/A	10	18	62	132	8	7	11	19	19
	14	N/A	9	27	57	76	9	9	11	13	20
	23	N/A	165	384	12	231	43	37	52	24	13
	25	435	6	19	35	57	6	11	8	9	12
	32	N/A	38	63	88	89	10	13	14	14	17
	24	N/A	107	250	55	238	24	22	25	22	16
	46	N/A	84	135	15	187	12	9	11	17	23
	FEF	N/A	217	452	68	500	79	19	15	34	71

Table 3. Changes in activation times (ms) following a lesion of CA1 and stimulation of hippocampal subfields and medial temporal lobe regions. Values were determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2) from lesioned activation times, such that slower responses are positive while faster responses are negative. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC = entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0* = stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node								
		CA3	**CA1**	**S**	**PrS**	**PaS**	**ERC**	**35**	**36**	**TF**	**TH**
	CA3	*0*		-4	-2	0	0	0	0	-5	-1
	CA1										
	S	-10		*0*	-7	-4	0	-1	-1	0	0
	PrS	-4		-3	*0*	-1	-2	-1	-1	0	0
	PaS	-32		106	-7	*0*	-8	-1	0	0	-8
	ERC	-3		0	-1	0	*0*	0	0	-1	-1
	35	N/A		-1	0	0	0	*0*	0	-1	-3
	36	55		-2	-1	0	0	0	*0*	-1	-2
	TF	-19		214	0	-9	-3	-2	-1	*0*	0
Observation Node	**TH**	0		327	0	0	-3	-4	-2	0	*0*
	7a	N/A		-2	1	-1	-2	-1	-1	-1	0
	V4	N/A		N/A	-4	-2	11	-2	-2	-1	-1
	V2	-3		N/A	-4	-1	-1	0	0	-1	0
	Ig	N/A		22	28	4	0	0	0	1	0
	Pro	N/A		3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
	5	N/A		1	0	2	0	0	-1	0	0
	10	N/A		-1	-6	1	0	0	0	-7	-1
	11	N/A		25	11	3	0	0	0	1	-3
	12	N/A		10	-6	3	0	0	1	-2	-2
	13	N/A		1	17	2	0	0	0	0	-1
	14	N/A		0	17	1	0	0	0	0	-1
	23	N/A		N/A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	25	63		-2	14	2	0	0	0	0	-1
	32	N/A		0	-4	1	0	0	0	0	0
	24	N/A		33	-1	3	0	0	0	0	0
	46	N/A		1	0	2	0	0	0	-1	-1
	FEF	N/A		84	-3	5	0	0	0	-1	-1

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	CA1	S	PrS	PaS	ERC	35	36	TF	TH
	CA3	*0*	-3	0		-1	0	0	0	-6	-1
	CA1	-17	*0*	0		-9	0	-1	-2	0	0
	S	-9	0	*0*		-3	0	-1	0	0	0
	PrS										
	PaS	-20	1	-3		*0*	-4	0	0	0	-8
	ERC	38	-3	0		0	*0*	0	0	-1	-3
	35	N/A	0	0		0	0	*0*	0	0	-3
	36	38	0	0		0	0	0	*0*	-1	-2
	TF	-14	0	1		-7	-2	-1	0	*0*	0
	TH	-1	0	-4		0	-4	-5	-2	0	*0*
Observation Node	**7a**	N/A	-2	0		1	-2	-1	-1	-1	-1
	V4	N/A	-1	-3		-3	0	-2	-2	0	-1
	V2	-4	-1	-4		-2	-1	0	-1	-1	0
	Ig	N/A	0	1		2	0	0	0	1	0
	Pro	N/A	0	1		1	1	0	0	0	0
	5	N/A	3	1		12	5	0	-1	0	0
	10	N/A	-1	0		0	0	0	0	-5	-1
	11	N/A	0	0		2	0	0	0	-2	-5
	12	N/A	0	1		2	0	0	1	-1	-3
	13	N/A	0	0		1	0	0	0	-1	-1
	14	N/A	0	0		1	0	0	0	0	-1
	23	N/A	4	1		5	0	-1	0	0	0
	25	8	1	0		1	0	0	0	1	-1
	32	N/A	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
	24	N/A	1	3		3	1	0	0	0	-1
	46	N/A	-1	1		5	0	0	0	-1	-1
	FEF	N/A	0	4		18	0	0	0	0	-4

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Table 5. Changes in activation times (ms) following a lesion of all hippocampal subfields and stimulation of medial temporal lobe regions. Values were determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2) from lesioned activation times, such that slower responses are positive while faster responses are negative. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC = entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0* = stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	CA1	S	PrS	PaS	ERC	35	36	TF	TH
Observation Node	CA3										
	CA1										
	S										
	PrS										
	PaS										
	ERC						*0*	0	0	-3	-4
	35						0	*0*	0	-1	-5
	36						0	0	*0*	-2	-3
	TF						-4	-3	-4	*0*	0
	TH						-6	-7	-4	0	*0*
	7a						0	-1	-1	-2	-1
	V4						14	-3	-3	-1	-1
	V2						-1	0	-1	-1	0
	Ig						0	0	0	1	0
	Pro						1	0	0	0	-1
	5						14	-1	-2	0	0
	10						0	0	0	-10	-2
	11						0	0	0	0	-7
	12						0	0	1	-3	-5
	13						0	0	0	-1	-2
	14						0	0	0	0	-2
	23						0	-1	0	0	-1
	25						0	0	0	0	-1
	32						0	0	0	-1	-1
	24						1	0	0	0	-1
	46						0	0	0	-1	-2
	FEF						0	0	0	-2	-5

Table 6. Changes in activation times (ms) following a lesion of the ERC and
stimulation of hippocampal subfields and medial temporal lobe regions. Values were
determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2) from lesioned activation
times, such that slower responses are positive while faster responses are negative. S=
subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC = entorhinal cortex; 35/36 =
perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0* = stimulation onset; N/A = no
response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	CA1	S	PrS	PaS	ERC	35	36	TF	TH
Observation Node	**CA3**	*0*	-8	127	-2	6		54	51	-6	-1
	CA1	-1	*0*	0	0	0		-1	-2	0	0
	S	-3	0	*0*	-2	2		-2	-1	0	0
	PrS	0	0	14	*0*	-1		-1	-1	0	0
	PaS	-3	0	0	0	*0*		-1	0	0	0
	ERC										
	35	-22	0	-1	4	34		*0*	0	-1	-3
	36	-17	-1	-2	-1	0		0	*0*	-1	-1
	TF	-1	0	1	0	-1		-1	0	*0*	0
	TH	0	0	0	0	0		-2	-1	0	*0*
	7a	N/A	-1	-2	0	22		-1	0	0	0
	V4	N/A	0	-3	0	0		0	0	0	0
	V2	0	0	-4	0	0		0	0	0	0
	Ig	N/A	0	2	2	28		0	-1	0	0
	Pro	N/A	0	98	0	1		-1	-1	0	0
	5	N/A	0	0	0	1		-2	-4	0	0
	10	N/A	-1	-1	4	75		-1	-1	-2	0
	11	N/A	0	15	2	139		-1	-1	-1	-2
	12	N/A	-1	107	-2	267		0	0	-1	-1
	13	N/A	0	1	3	108		0	-1	0	-1
	14	N/A	0	1	3	104		-1	-1	0	-1
	23	N/A	0	-5	0	1		-1	-1	0	0
	25	26	0	-3	0	45		-1	-1	0	-1
	32	N/A	0	70	20	86		-1	-1	0	0
	24	N/A	-1	96	-1	29		0	-1	0	-1
	46	N/A	-2	101	0	64		0	0	0	0
	FEF	N/A	-3	342	-2	106		-1	0	0	-1

Table 7. Changes in activation times (ms) following a combined lesion of areas TH and TF and stimulation of hippocampal subfields and medial temporal lobe regions. Values were determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2) from lesioned activation times, such that slower responses are positive while faster responses are negative. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC = entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0* = stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	**CA1**	**S**	**PrS**	**PaS**	**ERC**	**35**	**36**	**TF**	**TH**
Observation Node	**CA3**	*0*	115	-3	-1	-4	0	0	1		
	CA1	N/A	*0*	0	0	45	0	-1	-2		
	S	N/A	120	*0*	17	-5	0	-4	-2		
	PrS	N/A	185	-29	*0*	101	-6	-3	-2		
	PaS	N/A	23	16	33	*0*	-16	-4	0		
	ERC	N/A	-7	0	-3	0	*0*	0	0		
	35	N/A	0	0	-5	1	0	*0*	0		
	36	N/A	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	*0*		
	TF										
	TH										
	7a	N/A	N/A	5	N/A	N/A	-4	-2	-2		
	V4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	67	-7	0		
	V2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	-1	-1		
	Ig	N/A	1	3	31	142	0	0	0		
	Pro	N/A	0	1	0	2	1	0	0		
	5	N/A	N/A	2	1	N/A	3	-1	-3		
	10	N/A	-4	-1	-4	10	0	0	0		
	11	N/A	0	0	-7	4	0	0	0		
	12	N/A	1	1	-5	35	0	0	1		
	13	N/A	0	1	-3	11	0	0	0		
	14	N/A	0	1	-5	3	0	0	0		
	23	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	-1	-1	0		
	25	N/A	0	0	-1	6	0	0	0		
	32	N/A	-1	0	11	6	0	0	0		
	24	N/A	46	21	3	412	1	1	0		
	46	N/A	7	1	-1	53	0	0	0		
	FEF	N/A	69	35	-5	N/A	1	0	0		

Table 8. Changes in activation times (ms) following a combined lesion of areas 35
and 36 and stimulation of hippocampal subfields and medial temporal lobe regions.
Values were determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2) from
lesioned activation times, such that slower responses are positive while faster responses
are negative. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC =
entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. 0 =
stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	CA1	S	PrS	PaS	ERC	35	36	TF	TH
Observation Node	CA3	0	-5	-3	-1	-2	0			-3	0
	CA1	-2	0	0	0	-1	0			0	0
	S	-3	0	0	-1	-1	0			0	0
	PrS	0	0	-1	0	0	-2			0	0
	PaS	-22	1	-7	0	0	34			0	0
	ERC	-19	19	0	-3	0	0			-2	-2
	35										
	36										
	TF	-1	0	0	0	-1	-1			0	0
	TH	0	0	0	0	0	-2			0	0
	7a	N/A	15	-2	-1	17	93			0	0
	V4	N/A	1	2	1	2	19			0	0
	V2	1	0	-5	0	0	81			0	0
	Ig	N/A	0	-4	1	45	-1			0	-1
	Pro	N/A	7	8	0	2	0			1	0
	5	N/A	-1	0	-1	-5	18			0	0
	10	N/A	5	0	-3	22	-2			5	-1
	11	N/A	0	5	1	87	-2			1	-3
	12	N/A	17	26	-1	158	-3			-2	-2
	13	N/A	0	1	-1	23	-1			0	-1
	14	N/A	0	1	-3	13	-1			0	-1
	23	N/A	0	-3	0	-1	-2			0	0
	25	125	0	-1	-1	7	-1			1	-1
	32	N/A	1	3	-4	14	-1			0	0
	24	N/A	1	6	-1	6	-2			0	-1
	46	N/A	14	11	0	52	-1			-1	-1
	FEF	N/A	53	90	-2	83	-3			-2	0

Table 9. Changes in activation times (ms) following a combined lesion of areas V4,
7a, 5 and 23 and stimulation of hippocampal subfields and medial temporal lobe
regions. Values were determined by subtracting the intact stimulation times (Table 2)
from lesioned activation times, such that slower responses are positive while faster
responses are negative. S= subiculum, PrS = pre-subiculum, PaS=para-subiculum; ERC =
entorhinal cortex; 35/36 = perirhinal cortex; TF/TH = parahippocampal cortex. *0* =
stimulation onset; N/A = no response observed.

		Stimulated Node									
		CA3	CA1	S	PrS	PaS	ERC	35	36	TF	TH
Observation Node	**CA3**	*0*	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
	CA1	-57	*0*	0	0	-6	1	-1	1	0	0
	S	-43	0	*0*	0	-2	0	-1	0	0	0
	PrS	-31	-1	-35	*0*	-2	-1	-3	-2	0	0
	PaS	-94	0	-4	0	*0*	-3	-1	0	0	0
	ERC	43	2	0	0	0	*0*	0	0	0	0
	35	N/A	1	2	2	8	0	*0*	0	1	0
	36	118	2	1	0	1	0	0	*0*	0	1
	TF	-54	0	1	0	-4	-1	-2	0	*0*	0
	TH	-2	0	-3	0	0	-4	-10	-4	0	*0*
	7a										
	V4										
	V2	-101	-11	-59	-7	-14	-68	-5	-6	-1	0
	Ig	N/A	0	-4	-2	11	1	1	0	0	-1
	Pro	N/A	2	8	1	8	1	-1	0	4	1
	5										
	10	N/A	0	0	-2	1	0	0	0	0	0
	11	N/A	0	1	0	10	0	0	0	3	-1
	12	N/A	5	12	-1	37	1	0	1	2	1
	13	N/A	1	1	-1	2	0	0	0	0	0
	14	N/A	1	0	-2	-2	0	0	0	0	0
	23										
	25	-57	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	1	0
	32	N/A	0	-2	-5	-4	0	0	0	0	0
	24	N/A	-12	-5	11	-24	-2	-1	-2	-2	-2
	46	N/A	8	24	1	48	1	1	1	2	1
	FEF	N/A	48	124	7	187	9	2	3	10	6