

Supporting Text

We first clustered the 1,799 displacements from a sequence of 1,800 video frames by the common sign of the polar angle $\Delta\theta = \theta(k+1) - \theta(k)$. We then calculated the sizes of the clusters, Cls_k , and the distance of each displacement between adjacent frames, $d(k) = r(k)|\theta(k+1) - \theta(k)|$. In some definitions, the corrected displacement, $d^c(k)$, was used in place of $d(k)$; $d^c(k) = d(k)$ if $d(k)$ is larger than the change in the radius vector, $|r(k+1) - r(k)|$; otherwise, $d^c(k) = 0$. The rotational coherence used in *Results* was

$$\sum_{\text{Cls} > 1} \sum_{k=1}^{\text{Cls}} \text{Cls}_k^2 \times |d^c(k)|.$$

We also replaced $d^c(k)$ with $d(k)$ and the weight Cls_k^2 with Cls_k or what is minor of k and Cls_{k-k} .

Alternatively, instead of summing $d(k)$ or $d^c(k)$ over a cluster, we summed it over 1 s, which was reported to be the lifetime of a sliding complex (1). Nine variations of rotational coherence gave essentially the same result, as shown in Fig. 4E.

References

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