

---

# NeuroChaT Documentation

*Release 1.0.0*

**Md Nurul Islam (islammn\_at\_tcd\_dot\_ie)**

**Oct 02, 2018**



## CONTENTS

<b>1</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_base module</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_circular module</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_clust module</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_config module</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_control module</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_data module</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_defaults module</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_event module</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_hdf module</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_lfp module</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_plot module</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_spatial module</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_spike module</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_ui module</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_uigetfiles module</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_uimerge module</b>	<b>87</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_uiutils module</b>	<b>89</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>neurochat.nc_utils module</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Module contents</b>	<b>101</b>
	<b>Python Module Index</b>	<b>103</b>



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_BASE MODULE

This module implements two classes `NAbstract` and `NBase` those are inherited by other data classes for detailed implementation. Methods and attributes those are likely to be common in other data types in NeuroChaT are implemented in these classes.

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

```
class neurochat.nc_base.NAbstract (**kwargs)
```

Bases: object

Nabstract is the abstract class which includes number of attributes and methods commonly used by most other data types.

```
__init__ (**kwargs)
```

Instantiate the *NAbstract* class

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

```
get_comments ()
```

Gets the comments or notes about the experiment

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

```
get_data_source ()
```

Gets the source of the data

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

```
get_date ()
```

Gets the recording date

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

```
get_duration ()
```

Gets the duration of the experiment

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

```
get_experimenter ()
```

Gets the name of the experimenter

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_file\_version()**

Gets the version of the data file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_filename()**

Returns the filename of the data class.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_name()**

Gets the name of the object.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_record\_info(record\_name=None)**

Gets the comments or notes about the experiment

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_results()**

Returns the analysis results

**Returns**

**Return type** OrderedDict

**get\_source\_format()**

Gets the recording system or native data format

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_system()**

Returns the name of the recording system or data format.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_time()**

Gets the time of the experiment

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_type()**

Returns the type of data class, e.g., instance of Nabstract will return 'abstract' as the type of the class.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**load()**

Implemented in subclasses

**reset\_results()**

Resets the results to an empty OrderedDict.

**save\_to\_hdf5(parent\_dir)**

Implemented in subclasses

**set\_description(description="")**

Sets the general description about the data by the user.

**Parameters** **description** (str) –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_filename(filename=None)**

Sets the file name of the data object

**Parameters** **filename** (str) – Name of the data file

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_name(name="")**

Sets a name for the class instance.

**Parameters** **name** (str) –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_record\_info(new\_info={})**

Sets the recording information

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Sets one of the recording information in (name, value) pair

**Return type** dict

**set\_system(system=None)**

Sets the name of the recording system or the format of the data file.

**Parameters** **system** (str) – Recording system or data file format

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**update\_result(new\_result={})**

Updates the results.

**Parameters** **description** (str) –

**Returns**

**Return type** OrderedDict

See also:

`get_results()`

**class** `neurochat.nc_base.NBase` (*\*\*kwargs*)

Bases: `neurochat.nc_base.NAbstract`

Derived from NAbstract class, NBase implements additional functionalities for managing multiple spike or LFP datasets.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Instantiate the *NBase* class

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**add\_node** (*node*, *node\_type=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Adds a new dataset, called node to the spike and LFP dataset arrays

**Parameters**

- **node** – Data node to be added
- **node\_type** (*str*) – Type of the dataset described in each class attributes
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**change\_names** (*old\_names*, *new\_names*, *node\_type='spike'*)

Changes the names of nodes. *old\_names* should have the same length as that of *new\_length*

**Parameters**

- **old\_names** (*list of str*) – List of the old names of nodes
- **new\_names** (*list of str*) – List of the new names of nodes
- **node\_type** – Type of the data node

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**count\_lfp** ()

Counts the number of lfp nodes

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of lfp nodes

**Return type** int

**count\_spike** ()

Counts the number of spike nodes

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of spike nodes

**Return type** int

**del\_lfp** (*lfp*)

Deletes a node that represents LFP dataset

**Parameters** *lfp* – LFP node to be deleted by name or the object

**Returns** Index of the deleted node

**Return type** int

**del\_node** (*node*)

Deletes a node that represents spike or LFP dataset



**Parameters** **node** – Data node to be deleted

**Returns** Index of deleted node

**Return type** int

**del\_spike** (*spike*)

Deletes a node that represents spike dataset

**Parameters** **spike** – Spike node to be deleted by name or the object

**Returns** **i** – Index of the deleted node

**Return type** int

**get\_lfp** (*names=None*)

Gets the lfp nodes by name

**Parameters** **names** (*list*) – List of the names of the lfp nodes to obtain

**Returns** List of the lfp nodes. Returns all the lfp nodes if *names* is None

**Return type** list

**get\_lfp\_names** ()

Gets the name of all the lfp nodes

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Names of the LFP nodes

**Return type** list

**get\_node** (*node\_names, node\_type='spike'*)

Gets the nodes by name and dataset type

**Parameters**

- **node\_names** (*list*) – List of the names of the data nodes to obtain
- **node\_type** (*str*) – Type of the data node

**Returns** List of the data nodes

**Return type** list

**get\_spike** (*names=None*)

Gets the spike nodes by name

**Parameters** **names** (*list*) – List of the names of the spike nodes to obtain

**Returns** List of the spike nodes. Returns all the spike nodes if *names* is None

**Return type** list

**get\_spike\_names** ()

Gets the names of all the spike nodes

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Names of the spike nodes

**Return type** list

**set\_lfp\_file\_names** (*lfp\_names, filenames*)

Sets the filenames for each LFP data node. *lfp\_names* must be of equal length to *filenames*

**Parameters**

- **lfp\_names** (*list of str*) – Names of the lfp nodes whose filenames are set
- **filenames** (*list of str*) – List of the filenames for each lfp node

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_names** (*names*)

Sets the names of the lfp nodes. Old names are replaced.

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – List of new names of the lfp nodes

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_node\_file\_names** (*node\_names, filenames, node\_type='spike'*)

Sets the filenames for each data node. *node\_names* must be of equal length to *filenames*

**Parameters**

- **node\_names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes whose filenames are set
- **filenames** (*list of str*) – List of the filenames for each node
- **node\_type** – Type of the data node

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spike\_file\_names** (*spike\_names, filenames*)

Sets the filenames for each data node. *spike\_names* must be of equal length to *filenames*

**Parameters**

- **spike\_names** (*list of str*) – Names of the spike nodes whose filenames are set
- **filenames** (*list of str*) – List of the filenames for each spike node

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spike\_names** (*names*)

Sets the names of the spike nodes. Old names are replaced

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – List of new names of the spike nodes

**Returns**

**Return type** None

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_CIRCULAR MODULE

This module implements CircStat Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_circular.CircStat (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: object

This class is the placeholder for the circular data and provides functionalities for calculating circular statistics.

**calc\_stat** ()

Calculates and returns all the circular statistics parameters

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Returns the von Mises concentration parameter kappa

**Return type** dict

**circ\_histogram** (bins=5)

Calculates the circular histogram of the angular coordinates

**Parameters** **bins** (*int*) – Angular binsize for the circular histogram

**Returns**

- **count** (*ndarray*) – Histogram bin count
- **ind** (*ndarray*) – Indices of the bins to which each value in input array belongs. Similar to the return values of the numpy.digitize function.
- **bins** (*ndarray*) – Histogram bins

**static circ\_regroup** (*x*)

Circular regrouping of the angles. It unwraps the angular coordinates. For example, if the input array is  $x = \text{np.ndarray}([270, 340, 350, 20, 40])$ , the output will be  $y = [270, 340, 350, 380, 400]$  etc.

**Parameters** **x** (*ndarray*) – Array containing the angular coordinates

**Returns** **y** – Regrouped or unwrapped angular coordinates

**Return type** ndarray

**circ\_scatter** (bins=2, step=0.05, rmax=None)

Prepares data for circular scatter plot. For each theta in a bin, the radius is increased by 'step' size capped at 'rmax'.

**Parameters**

- **bins** (*int*) – Angular binsize for the circular scatter
- **step** (*float*) – Stepsize to increase the radius for each count of theta
- **rmax** (*float*) – Maximum value for the radius

**Returns**

- **radius** (*ndarray*) – Radius for the theta values. For each new theta in a bin, the radius is increased by ‘step’ size.
- **theta** (*ndarray*) – Binned theta samples

**circ\_smooth** (*filtype='b', filtsize=5*)

Calculates the circular average of theta with each sample replaced by the circular mean of length ‘filtsize’ and weights determined by the type of filter.

**Parameters**

- **filtype** (*str*) – Type of smoothing filter. ‘b’ for Box filter, ‘g’ for Gaussian filter
- **filtsize** (*int*) – Length of the averaging filter

**Returns** **smooth\_theta** – Theta values after the smoothing

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_mean\_std** ()

Returns the circular mean, standard deviation and resultant vector length of the data

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Dictionary of mean, standard deviation and resultant vector length etc.

**Return type** *dict*

**get\_rayl\_stat** ()

Returns the Rayleigh Z statistics of the circular data

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Rayleigh Z statistics

**Return type** *dict*

**get\_result** ()

Returns the results of the circular statistics analyses

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Results of the circular statistics analyses

**Return type** *dict*

**get\_rho** ()

Returns the radial coordinates (rho) of the circular data

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Radial coordinates of the circular data

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_theta** ()

Returns the angular coordinates (theta) of the circular data

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Angular coordinates of the circular data

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_vonmises\_stat** ()

Returns the von Mises concentration parameter kappa

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Returns the von Mises concentration parameter kappa

**Return type** *dict*

**set\_rho** (*rho=None*)

Sets the radial coordinates (rho) of the circular data

**Parameters** **rho** (*ndarray*) – Radial coordinates of the circular data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_theta** (*theta=None*)

Sets the angular coordinates (theta) of the circular data in degrees.

**Parameters** **theta** (*ndarray*) – Angular coordinates of the circular data

**Returns**

**Return type** None



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_CLUST MODULE

This module implements NClust Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islamnmn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_clust.NClust (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: *neurochat.nc\_base.NBase*

This class facilitates clustering-related operations. Although no clustering algorithm is implemented in this class, it can be subclassed to create such algorithms.

**\_\_init\_\_** (\*\*kwargs)

**spike**

*NSpike* – An object of NSpike() class or its subclass

**add\_spike** (spike=None, \*\*kwargs)

Adds new spike node to current NSpike() object

**Parameters** **spike** (*NSpike*) – NSpike object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NSpike() object

**Return type** obj:NSpike‘

**align\_wave\_peak** (reach=300, factor=2)

Align the waves by their peaks.

**Parameters**

- **reach** (*int*) – Maximum allowed time-shift in microsecond
- **factors** (*int*) – Resampling factor

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**burst** (burst\_thresh=5, ibi\_thresh=50)

Burst analysis of spik-train

Delegates to NSpike().burst()

**Parameters**

- **burst\_thresh** (*int*) – Minimum ISI between consecutive spikes in a burst
- **ibi\_thresh** (*int*) – Minimum inter-burst interval between two bursting groups of spikes

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**See also:**

nc\_spike.NSpike()

**cluster\_separation** (*unit\_no=0*)

Quantitatively measures the separation of a specific unit from other clusters

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit of interest. If '0', pairwise comparison of all units are returned

**Returns**

- **bc** (*ndarray*) – Bhattacharyya coefficient
- **dh** (*ndarray*) – Hellinger distance

**cluster\_similarity** (*nclust=None, unit\_1=None, unit\_2=None*)

Quantitatively measures the similarity or distance of cluster of one unit in a spike dataset to cluster of another unit in another dataset

**Parameters**

- **nclust** (*Nclust*) – NClust object whose unit is under comparison
- **unit\_1** (*int*) – Unit of current Nclust object
- **unit\_2** (*int*) – Unit of another NClust object under comparison

**Returns**

- **bc** (*ndarray*) – Bhattacharyya coefficient
- **dh** (*ndarray*) – Hellinger distance

**get\_channel\_ids** ()

Returns the identities of individual channels

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Identities of individual channels

**Return type** list

**get\_feat** (*npc=2*)

Returns the spike-waveform features.

**Parameters** **nc** (*int*) – Number of principle components in each channel.

**Returns** **feat** – Matrix of size (number\_spike X number\_features)

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_feat\_by\_unit** (*unit\_no=None*)

Returns the spike-waveform features for a particular unit.

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit of interest

**Returns** **feat** – Matrix of size (number\_spike X number\_features)

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_max\_energy\_chan** ()

Returns the maximum energy of the spike waveforms

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Maximum energy of the spikes

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_max\_wave\_chan** ()

Returns the maximum of waveform peaks among the electrode groups.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

- **max\_wave\_val** (*ndarray*) – Maximum value of the peaks of the waveforms



- **max\_wave\_chan** (*ndarray*) – Channel of the electrode group where a spike waveform is strongest
- **peak\_loc** (*ndarray*) – Peak location in the channel with strongest waveform

**get\_min\_wave\_chan** ()

Returns the maximum of waveform peaks among the electrode groups.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

- *ndarray* – Minimum value of the waveform at channels with maximum peak value
- *ndarray* – Index of minimum values

**get\_samples\_per\_spike** ()

Returns the number of bytes to represent each timestamp in the binary file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_sampling\_rate** ()

Returns the sampling rate of spike waveforms

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Sampling rate for spike waveforms

**Return type** int

**get\_timebase** ()

Returns the timebase for spike event timestamps

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Timebase for spike event timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_timestamp** (*unit\_no=None*)

Returns the timestamps of the spike-waveforms of specified unit

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit whose timestamps are to be returned

**Returns** Timestamps of the spiking waveforms

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_total\_channels** ()

Returns total number of electrode channels in the spike data file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of electrode channels

**Return type** int

**get\_total\_spikes** ()

Returns total number of spikes in the recording

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of spikes

**Return type** int

**get\_unit\_list** ()

Returns the list of units in a spike dataset

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** List of units

**Return type** list

**get\_unit\_spikes\_count** (*unit\_no=None*)

Returns the total number of spikes in a specified unit

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit whose count is returned

**Returns** Total number of spikes in the unit

**Return type** int

**get\_unit\_tags** ()

Returns tags of the spiking waveforms from clustering

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**get\_unit\_waves** (*unit\_no=None*)

Returns spike waveforms of a specific unit

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit whose waveforms are returned

**Returns** Spike wavefoorms in each channel of the electrode group

**Return type** dict

**get\_wave\_energy** ()

Energy of the spike waveforms, measured as the summation of the square of samples

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** **energy** – Energy of spikes (num\_spike X num\_channels)

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_wave\_min** ()

Returns the minimum values of the spike-waveforms.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

- **min\_w** (*ndarray*) – Minimum value of the wavefforms
- **min\_loc** (*ndarray*) – Index of minimum value

**get\_wave\_pc** (*npc=2*)

Returns the Principle Components of the waveforms

**Parameters** **npc** (*int*) – Number of principle components from waveforms of each channel

**Returns** **pc** – Principle components (num\_waves X npc\*num\_channels)

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_wave\_peaks** ()

Returns the peaks of the spike-waveforms.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

- **peak** (*ndarray*) – Spike waveform peaks in all the electrode channels (num\_waves X num\_channels)
- **peak\_loc** (*ndarray*) – Index of peak locations

**get\_wave\_timestamp()**

Returns the temporal resolution to represent samples of spike-waves.

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent timestamps

**Return type** *int*

**get\_waveform()**

Returns the waveforms in the spike dataset

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Each key represents one channel of the electrode group, each value represents the waveforms of the spikes in a matrix form (no\_samples x no\_spikes)

**Return type** *dict*

**get\_wavetime()**

Returns the timestamps of the waveforms, not the spiking-event timestamp

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns**

**Return type** Timestamps of the spike-waveforms

**isi** (*bins='auto', bound=None, density=False*)

Calculates the ISI histogram of the spike train

Delegates to NSpike().isi()

**Parameters**

- **bins** (*str or int*) – Number of ISI histogram bins. If 'auto', NumPy default is used
- **bound** (*int*) – Length of the ISI histogram in msec
- **density** (*bool*) – If true, normalized histogram is calculated

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*

**See also:**

NSpike()

**isi\_corr** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of ISI autocorrelation histogram

Delegates to NSpike().isi\_auto\_corr()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*

**See also:**

nc\_spike.NSpike()

**load** (*filename=None, system=None*)

Loads spike dataset from the file

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Name of the spike file

**Returns** Data format or recording system

**Return type** *system*

**load\_spike** (*names=None*)

Loads datasets of the spike nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames.

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If None, current NSpike() object is loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**psth** (*event\_stamp, \*\*kwargs*)

Calculates peri-stimulus time histogram (PSTH)

Delegates to NSpike().psth()

**Parameters**

- **event\_stamp** (*ndarray*) – Event timestamps
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

NSpike()

**remove\_null\_chan** ()

Removes the channel from the electrode group that has no spike in it

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** **off\_chan** – Channel number that has been removed

**Return type** int

**resample\_wave** (*factor=2*)

Resamples spike waveforms

**Parameters** **factor** (*int*) – Resampling factor

**Returns**

- **wave** (*dict*) – Upsampled waveforms
- **uptime ndarray** – Upsampled wave timestamps

**resample\_wavetime** (*factor=2*)

Resamples the timestamps of spike-waveforms

**Parameters** **factor** (*int*) – Resampling factor

**Returns**

**Return type** Resampled timestamps

**save\_to\_hdf5** ()

Stores NSpike() object to HDF5 file

Delegates to NSpike().save\_to\_hdf5()

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

- *None*
- *Also see*
- *\_\_\_\_\_*
- *nc\_hdf.Nhdf().save\_spike()*

**set\_unit\_tags** (*new\_tags=None*)

Returns tags of the spiking waveforms from clustering

**Parameters** **new\_tags** (*ndarray*) – Array that contains the tags for spike-waveforms based on the cluster number

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**wave\_property** ()

Calculates different waveform properties for currently set unit

Delegates to NSpike().wave\_property()

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

NSpike()



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_CONFIG MODULE

This module implements Configuration Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_config.**Configuration** (*filename=[]*)

Bases: object

The Configuration object is the placeholder for all the settings of NeuroChaT consisting of specification of data and analysis along with the parameters for each analysis type.

It also facilitates saving these setting to a .ncfg file and retrieve them from the file. The .ncfg file is a YAML-formatted file.

**\_\_init\_\_** (*filename=[]*)

**filename**

*str* – Full file name of the configuration storage (.ncfg)

**format**

*str* – Recording system or format of the data file

**analysis\_mode**

*str* – Mode of analysis in NeuroChaT. Options are ‘Single Unit’, ‘Single Session’ and ‘Listed Units’

**mode\_id**

*int* – Numeric ID of modes in NeuroChaT, respectively 0, 1, and 2 for the three modes

**graphic\_format**

*str* – File format for output graphics. Options are ‘PDF’ or ‘Postscript’

**unit\_no**

*int* – Unit number to be analyzed. Used in ‘Single Unit’ mode

**spatial\_fiel**

*str* – Full file of the spatial dataset

**spike\_file**

*str* – Full file of the spike dataset

**lfp\_file**

*str* – Full file of the lfp dataset

**nwb\_file**

*str* – Full file of the NWB format dataset

**excel\_dir**

*str* – Full file of the Excel list of unit. Used only in ‘Listed Units’ mode

**anayeses**

*dict* – Dictionary of analysis methods as key and their selection as boolean values

**parameters**

*dict* – It contains (key : value) pairs of parameter names and their values

**get\_all\_modes()**

Returns the analysis modes in NeuroChaT

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Modes and their IDs

**Return type** dict

**get\_analysis(name=None)**

Returns the selection of an analysis. If name is 'all', selection values for all the analyses are returned

**Parameters**

- **name** (*str*) – Name of the analysis. 'all' for returning values for all the analyses
- **value** (*bool*) – Boolean value to indicate analysis selection

**Returns** True if selected, False if not.

**Return type** bool

**get\_analysis\_list()**

Returns a list of analysis

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns**

**Return type** list

**get\_analysis\_mode()**

Returns the mode of analysis and mode ID

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns**

- *str* – Analysis mode set
- *int* – ID of analysis mode

**get\_cell\_type()**

Returns the type of cell set to analyse

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Cell type set for analyses

**Return type** str

**get\_config\_dir()**

Returns the directory of configuration file

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Name of the configuration file

**Return type** str

**get\_config\_file()**

Returns the name of the configuration file

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Name of configuration file

**Return type** str

**get\_data\_dir()**

Returns the data directory



**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Data directory

**Return type** str

**get\_data\_format()**

Returns the data format or recording system

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Data format or recording system

**Return type** str

**get\_excel\_file()**

Returns the filename of the Excel list

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Filename of the Excel list

**Return type** str

**get\_graphic\_format()**

Returns output graphics file format

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Export format of output graphics

**Return type** str

**get\_lfp\_file()**

Returns the filename of the lfp data

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Filename of the lfp data

**Return type** str

**get\_nwb\_file()**

Returns the filename of the HDF5 data

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Filename of the HDF5 data

**Return type** str

**get\_param\_list()**

Returns the list of all parameters

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** List of parameter names

**Return type** list

**get\_params(name=None)**

Gets the value of parameter. If a list of parameter names are provided, a list of values are returned.

**Parameters** *name* (*str* or *list of str*) – Name of the parameter(s)

**Returns** Parameter value(s)

**Return type** params

**get\_params\_by\_analysis(analysis=None)**

Returns the parameters and their values

**Parameters** *analysis* (*str*) – Name of the analysis

**Returns** *params* – Dictionary of parameters and their values

**Return type** dict

**get\_spatial\_file()**

Returns the filename of the spatial data

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Filename of the spatial data

**Return type** str

**get\_spike\_file()**

Returns the filename of the spike data

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Filename of spike data

**Return type** str

**get\_unit\_no()**

Returns the unit number that is already set

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Unit number

**Return type** str

**load\_config(filename=None)**

Imports the configuration data from a .ncfg file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** filename – Name of the configuration file

**Return type** str

**save\_config(filename=None)**

Exports the configuration data to .ncfg file

**Parameters** filename (str) – Name of the configuration file

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_analysis(name=None, value=None)**

Sets the selection of an analysis

**Parameters**

- name (str) – Name of the analysis
- value (bool) – Boolean value to indicate analysis selection

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_analysis\_mode(analysis\_mode=None)**

Sets the mode of analysis

**Parameters** analysis\_mode (str) – Mode of the analysis

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_cell\_type(cell\_type=None)**

Sets the type of cell to analyse

**Parameters** cell\_type (str) – Cell type of interest

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_config\_dir** (*directory=None*)

Sets the directory of configuration file

**Parameters** **directory** (*str*) – Directory of configuration file

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_config\_file** (*filename*)

Sets the name of the configuration file

**Parameters** **directory** (*str*) – Directory of configuration file

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_data\_dir** (*directory=None*)

Sets the data directory

**Parameters** **directory** (*str*) – Data directory

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_data\_format** (*file\_format=None*)

Sets the format of the data or recording system

**Parameters** **file\_format** (*str*) – Format of the data or recording system

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_excel\_file** (*excel\_file=None*)

Sets filename of the Excel list

**Parameters** **excel\_file** (*str*) – Filename of the Excel list

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_graphic\_format** (*graphic\_format=None*)

Sets output graphics file format

**Parameters** **graphic\_format** (*str*) – Format of output graphic export. Options are 'PDF' or 'Postscript'

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_file** (*lfp\_file=None*)

Sets filename of the lfp data

**Parameters** **lfp\_file** (*str*) – Filename of the lfp data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_nwb\_file** (*nwb\_file=None*)

Sets filename of the HDF5 data

**Parameters** **nwb\_file** (*str*) – Filename of the HDF5 data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_param** (*name=None, value=None*)

Sets the value of a parameter

**Parameters**

- **name** (*str*) – Name of the parameter
- **value** – Value of the parameter

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spatial\_file** (*spatial\_file=None*)

Sets filename of the spatial data

**Parameters** **spatial\_file** (*str*) – Filename of the spatial data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spike\_file** (*spike\_file=None*)

Sets filename of the spike data

**Parameters** **spike\_file** (*str*) – Filename of the spike data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_unit\_no** (*unit\_no=None*)

Sets the unit no to analyse in ‘Single Unit’ analysis

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit number the user is intended to analyse

**Returns**

**Return type** None

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_CONTROL MODULE

This module implements NeuroChaT Class for the NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

```
class neurochat.nc_control.NeuroChaT (config=<neurochat.nc_config.Configuration object>, data=<neurochat.nc_data.NData object>, parent=None)
```

Bases: PyQt5.QtCore.QThread

The NeuroChaT object is the controller object in NeuroChaT and works as the backend to the NeuroChaT graphical user interface. It reads data, parameter and analysis specifications from the Configuration class and executes accordingly. It also interafces the GUI to the rest of the NeuroChaT elements.

```
__init__ (config=<neurochat.nc_config.Configuration object>, data=<neurochat.nc_data.NData object>, parent=None)
```

**ndata**

*NData* – NData oject

**config**

*Configuration* – Configuration object

**log**

*NLog* – Central logger object

**hdf**

*Nhdf* – A Nhdf object

**close\_fig** (*fig*)

Closes a matplotlib.fiure.Figure() object after saving it to the output PDF. A a tuple or list of such figures are provided, each of them saved and closed accordingly.

**Parameters** **fig** – matplotlib.fiure.Figure() or a list or tuple of them.

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**close\_hdf\_file** ()

Closes the HDF5 file object.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**close\_pdf** ()

closes the PDF file object.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**cluster\_evaluate** (*excel\_file=None*)

Takes a list of unit specifications and evaluates the quality of the clustering. The results of the analysis are written back to the input Excel file.

**Parameters** **excel\_file** (*str*) – Name of the excel file that contains data specifications

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**cluster\_similarity** (*excel\_file=None*)

Takes a list of specifications for pairwise comparison of units. The results are written back to the input Excel file.

**Parameters** **excel\_file** (*str*) – Name of the excel file that contains unit specifications

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**convert\_to\_nwb** (*excel\_file=None*)

Takes a list of datasets in Excel file and converts them into NWB file format. This method currently supports Axona and Neuralynx data formats.

**Parameters** **excel\_file** (*str*) – Name of the excel file that contains data specifications

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**execute** (*name=None*)

Checks the selection of each analyses, and executes if they are selected. It also exports the plot data from individual analyses to the hdf file and figures to the graphics file that are set in the mode() method.

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the unit or the unique unit ID

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**exist\_hdf\_path** (*path=""*)

Check and returns if an HDF5 file path exists

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – path to HDF5 file group

**Returns** **exists** – True if the path exists

**Return type** bool

**finished**

**get\_configuration** ()

Returns the Configuration() object from this class.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** NeuroChaT's config attribute

**Return type** *Configuration*

**get\_hdf\_groups** (*path=""*)

Returns the names of groups or datasets in a path

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – path to HDF5 file group

**Returns** Names of the groups or datasets in the path

**Return type** list

**get\_neuro\_data** ()

Returns the NData() object from this class.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** NeuroChaT's `ndata` attribute

**Return type** *NData*

**get\_output\_files()**

Returns a DataFrame of output graphic files and HDF5 files after the completion of the analysis. Index are the unit IDs of the analysed units.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** **op\_files** – Column 1 contains the name of the output graphic files. Column 2 gives the the name of the NWB files

**Return type** `pandas.DataFrame`

**get\_results()**

Returns the parametric results of the analyses.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** **results** – Parametric results of the analysis

**Return type** `OrderedDict`

**mode()**

Reads the specifications and analyzes data according to the mode that is set in the Configuration file. Thsi is the principle method in NeuroChaT that sets the input and output data files and calls the `execute()` method for running the analyses after it sets the data and filenames to `NData()` object.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

**open\_hdf\_file(filename=None)**

Sets the filename and opens the file object for the HDF5 file.

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Filename of the HDF5 object

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

**open\_pdf(filename=None)**

Opens the PDF file object using `PdfPages` from `matplotlib.backends.backend_pdf`

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Filename of the PDF output

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

**plot\_data\_to\_hdf(name=None, graph\_data=None)**

Stores plot data to the HDF5 file in the `'/analysis/'` path

**Parameters**

- **name** (*str*) – Unit ID which is also the name of the group in the `'/analysis/'` path
- **graph\_data** (*dict*) – Dictionary of data that are plotted

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

**reset()**

Reset NeuroChaT's internal attributes and prepares it for another set of analysis or new session.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

**run()**

After calling start(), the NeuroChaT thread calls this function. It verifies the input specifications and calls the mode() method.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_configuration()** (*config*)

Sets a new Configuration() object or its subclass object.

**Parameters** **config** (*Configuration*) – Object of Configuration class or its subclass.

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_neuro\_data()** (*ndata*)

Sets a new NData() object or its subclass object.

**Parameters** **ndata** (*NData*) – Object of NData class or its subclass.

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**update\_results()** (*\_results*)

Updates the results with new analysis results.

**Parameters** **\_results** (*OrderedDict*) – Dictionary of the new results

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**verify\_units()** (*excel\_file=None*)

Takes a list of datasets and verify the specifications of the units. The verification tool is useful for prescreening of units before the batch-mode analysis using ‘Listed Units’ mode of NeuroChaT

**Parameters** **excel\_file** (*str*) – Name of the excel file that contains data specifications

**Returns**

**Return type** None



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_DATA MODULE

This module implements NData Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_data.NData

Bases: object

The NData object is composed of data objects (NSpike(), NSpatial(), NLfp(), and Nhdf()) and is built upon the composite structural object pattern.

This data class is the main data element in NeuroChaT which delegates the analysis and other operations to respective objects.

**\_\_init\_\_**()

**spatial**

*NSpatial* – Spatial data object

**spike**

*NSpike* – Spike data object

**lfp**

*Nlfp* – LFP data object

**hdf**

*NHdf* – Object for manipulating HDF5 file

**data\_format**

*str* – Recording system or format of the data file

**angular\_velocity**(\*\*kwargs)

Analysis of unit correlation to angular head velocity (AHV) of the animal

Delegates to NSpatial().angular\_velocity()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**border**(\*\*kwargs)

Analysis of the firing characteristic of a unit with respect to the environmental border

Delegates to NSpatial().border()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

See also:

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**burst** (*burst\_thresh=5, ibi\_thresh=50*)

Burst analysis of spik-train

Delegates to `NSpike().burst()`

**Parameters**

- **burst\_thresh** (*int*) – Minimum ISI between consecutive spikes in a burst
- **ibi\_thresh** (*int*) – Minimum inter-burst interval between two bursting groups of spikes

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`

See also:

`nc_spike.NSpike()`

**event\_trig\_average** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Averaging event-triggered LFP signals

Delegates to `NLfp().event_trig_average()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** `dict`

See also:

`nc_lfp.NLfp()`

**get\_data\_format** ()

Returns the recording system or data format

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** `str`

**get\_lfp\_file** ()

Gets the filename of the LFP dataset

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Filename of the LFP dataset

**Return type** `str`

**get\_results** ()

Returns the parametric results of the analyses

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** `OrderedDict`

**get\_spatial\_file** ()

Gets the filename of the spatial dataset

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Filename of the spatial dataset

**Return type** `str`

**get\_spike\_file()**

Gets the filename of the spike dataset

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Filename of the spike dataset

**Return type** str

**get\_type()**

Returns the type of object. For NData, this is always *data* type

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**gradient(\*\*kwargs)**

Analysis of gradient cell, a unit whose firing rate gradually increases as the animal traverses from the border to the center of the environment

Delegates to NSpatial().gradient()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**grid(\*\*kwargs)**

Analysis of Grid cells characterised by formation of grid-like pattern of high activity in the firing-rate map

Delegates to NSpatial().grid()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**hd\_rate(\*\*kwargs)**

Analysis of the firing characteristics of a unit with respect to animal's head-direction

Delegates to NSpatial().hd\_rate()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**hd\_rate\_ccw(\*\*kwargs)**

Analysis of the firing characteristics of a unit with respect to animal's head-direction split into clockwise and counterclockwise directions

Delegates to NSpatial().hd\_rate\_ccw()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**hd\_shift** (*shift\_ind=array([-10, -9, -8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10])*,  
*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of firing specificity of the unit with respect to animal's head direction to observe whether it represents past direction or anticipates a future direction.

Delegates to `NSpatial().hd_shift()`

**Parameters**

- **shift\_ind** (*ndarray*) – Index of spatial resolution shift for the spike event time. Shift -1 implies shift to the past by 1 spatial time resolution, and +2 implies shift to the future by 2 spatial time resolution.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**hd\_shuffle** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Shuffling analysis of the unit to see if the head-directional firing specificity is by chance or actually correlated to the head-direction of the animal

Delegates to `NSpatial().hd_shuffle()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**hd\_time\_lapse** ()

Time-lapse firing properties of the unit with respect to the head-direction of the animal

Delegates to `NSpatial().hd_time_lapse()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**interdependence** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Interdependence analysis where firing rate of each variable is predicted from another variable and the distributive ratio is measured between the predicted firing rate and the calculated firing rate.

Delegates to `NSpatial().interdependence()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**See also:**

`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`

**isi** (*bins='auto', bound=None, density=False*)

Analysis of ISI histogram

Delegates to `NSpike().isi()`

**Parameters**

- **bins** (*str or int*) – Number of ISI histogram bins. If 'auto', NumPy default is used
- **bound** (*int*) – Length of the ISI histogram in msec
- **density** (*bool*) – If true, normalized histogram is calculated

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spike.NSpike()`

**isi\_auto\_corr** (*spike=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of ISI autocorrelation histogram

Delegates to `NSpike().isi_corr()`

**Parameters**

- **spike** (`NSpike()`) – If specified, it calculates cross-correlation.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spike.NSpike()`, `nc_spike.NSpike()`

**load()**

Loads the data from the filenames in each constituting objects, i.e, spatial, spike and LFP

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_lfp()**

Loads LFP dataset to `NLfp()` object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spatial()**

Loads spatial dataset from the file to `NSpatial()` object

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full file directory of the spike dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike()**

Loads spike dataset from the file to `NSpike()` object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**loc\_auto\_corr** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the two-dimensional correlation of firing map which is the map of the firing rate of the animal with respect to its location

Delegates to NSpatial().loc\_auto\_corr()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**loc\_rot\_corr** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the rotational correlation of the locational firing rate of the animal with respect to location, also called firing map

Delegates to NSpatial().loc\_rot\_corr()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**loc\_shift** (*shift\_ind=array([-10, -9, -8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]),*  
*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of firing specificity of the unit with respect to animal's location to observe whether it represents past location of the animal or anticipates a future location.

Delegates to NSpatial().loc\_shift()

**Parameters**

- **shift\_ind** (*ndarray*) – Index of spatial resolution shift for the spike event time. Shift -1 implies shift to the past by 1 spatial time resolution, and +2 implies shift to the future by 2 spatial time resolution.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**loc\_shuffle** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Shuffling analysis of the unit to see if the locational firing specificity is by chance or actually correlated to the location of the animal

Delegates to NSpatial().loc\_shuffle()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`**loc\_time\_lapse** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Time-lapse firing proeprties of the unit with respect to location

Delegates to `NSpatial().loc_time_lapse()`

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`**multiple\_regression** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Multiple-rgression analysis where firing rate for each variable, namely location, head-direction, speed, AHV, and distance from border, are used to regress the instantaneous firing rate of the unit.

Delegates to `NSpatial().multiple_regression()`

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`**phase\_dist** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of spike to LFP phase distribution

Delegates to `NLfp().phase_dist()`

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**`nc_lfp.NLfp()`**place** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of place cell firing characteristics

Delegates to `NSpatial().place()`

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**`nc_spatial.NSpatial()`**plv** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates phase-locking value of the spike train to underlying LFP signal.

Delegates to `NLfp().plv()`

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

See also:

`nc_lfp.NLfp()`

**reset\_results()**

Reset the NData results to an empty OrderedDict

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**save\_to\_hdf5()**

Stores the spatial, spike and LFP datasets to HDF5 file

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_data\_format** (*data\_format=None*)

Returns the parametric results of the analyses

**Parameters** **data\_format** (*str*) – Recording system or format of the data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_file** (*filename*)

Sets the filename of the LFP dataset

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full file directory of the spike dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_name** (*name*)

Sets the name of the NLfp() object

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the LFP dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spatial\_file** (*filename*)

Sets the filename of the spatial dataset

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full file directory of the spike dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spatial\_name** (*name*)

Sets the name of the spatial dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the spatial dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_spike\_file** (*filename*)

Sets the filename of the spike dataset

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full file directory of the spike dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None



**set\_spike\_name** (*name*='C0')

Sets the name of the spike dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the spike dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_unit\_no** (*unit\_no*)

Sets the unit number of the spike dataset to analyse

**Parameters** **unit\_no** (*int*) – Unit or cell number to analyse

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**spectrum** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analyses frequency spectrum of the LFP signal

Delegates to NLfp().spectrum()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_lfp.NLfp()

**speed** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of unit correlation with running speed

Delegates to NSpatial().speed()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_spatial.NSpatial()

**spike\_lfp\_causality** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analyses spike to underlying LFP causality

Delegates to NLfp().spike\_lfp\_causality()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_lfp.NLfp()

**theta\_index** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates theta-modulation of spike-train ISI autocorrelation histogram.

Delegates to NSpike().theta\_index()

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spike.NSpike()`

**theta\_skip\_index** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates theta-skipping of spike-train ISI autocorrelation histogram.

Delegates to `NSpike().theta_skip_index()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spike.NSpike()`

**update\_results** (*results*)

Adds new parametric results of the analyses

**Parameters** **results** (*OrderedDict*) – New analyses results (parametric)

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**wave\_property** ()

Analysis of wavefor characteristics of the spikes of a unit

Delegates to `NSpike().wave_property()`

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_spike.NSpike()`

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_DEFAULTS MODULE

This module implements contains the default values of input parameters as used by the Configuration Class for NeuroChaT software. The parameter are defined as {key, {key, value}} pairs where the 1st key represent the analyse for which parameter are set. The second {key, value} pairs represent the names of the parameters and their values.

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_EVENT MODULE

Created on Wed Apr 11 13:37:30 2018

@author: Raju

```
class neurochat.nc_event.NEvent (**kwargs)
```

Bases: *neurochat.nc\_base.NBase*

This data class is the placeholder for the dataset that contains information about external events or stimulus. Events are stored as names and tags. Each tag is a number representing particular event.

```
add_lfp (lfp=None, **kwargs)
```

Adds new LFP node to current NEvent() object

**Parameters** **lfp** (*NLfp*) – NLfp object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NLfp() object

**Return type** obj:NLfp‘

```
add_spike (spike=None, **kwargs)
```

Adds new spike node to current NEvent() object

**Parameters** **spike** (*NSpike*) – NSpike object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NSpike() object

**Return type** obj:NSpike‘

```
get_event_name (event_tag=None)
```

Returns name of the event from its tag

**Parameters** **event\_tag** (*int*) –

**Returns** **event\_name** – Name of the event

**Return type** str

```
get_event_stamp (event=None)
```

Returns timestamps for a particular event

**Parameters** **event** (*str or int*) – If str, represent the name of the event. If int, represents event tag

**Returns** **timestamp** – Timestamps of the event

**Return type** ndarray

```
get_event_train ()
```

Returns tags for all events in the same temporal order as they are presented

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Train of events as train of tags

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_tag** (*event\_name=None*)

Returns tag of the event from its name

**Parameters** **event\_name** (*str*) –

**Returns** **event\_tag** – Tag of the event

**Return type** int

**get\_timestamp** ()

Returns timestamps for all events

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** **timestamp** – Timestamps of all the events

**Return type** ndarray

**load** (*filename=None, system=None*)

Reads event file from the recording formats (Currently not implemented)

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – Full file of the event data
- **system** (*str*) – Data format or the recording system

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_lfp** (*names=None*)

Loads datasets of the LFP nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *all*, all LFP nodes are loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike** (*names='all'*)

Loads datasets of the spike nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *all*, all the spike nodes are loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**phase\_dist** (*lfp=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of event to LFP phase distribution

Delegates to NLfp().phase\_dist()

**Parameters**

- **lfp** (NLfp) – LFP object which contains the LFP data.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_lfp.NLfp()

**plv** (*lfp=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Calculates phase-locking value of event train to underlying LFP signal.

Delegates to NLfp().plv()

**Parameters**

- **lfp** ([NLfp](#)) – LFP object which contains the LFP data
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

`nc_lfp.NLfp()`

**psth** (*event=None, spike=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Calculates peri-stimulus time histogram (PSTH)

**Parameters**

- **event** – Event name or tag
- **spike** ([NSpike](#)) – NSpike object to characterize
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**set\_curr\_name** (*name*)

Sets current event using event name

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the event

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_curr\_tag** (*event*)

Sets current tag of to consider for analysis

**Parameters** **event** (*str or int*) – If str, represent the name of the event. If int, represents event tag

**Returns**

**Return type** None





## NEUROCHAT.NC\_HDF MODULE

This module implements NhdF Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_hdf.NhdF (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: object

The NhdF class manages the import and export of various NeuroChaT dataset to a HDF5 file dataset. It also creates and manages the nomenclature for storage paths within the file.

**close()**

Closes the h5py file object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**file()**

Opens the file, and returns the file object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** h5py file object

**Return type** object

**get\_dataset** (group=None, path="", name="")

Stores a dataset to a specific path

**Parameters**

- **group** (str) – Path of a group in HDF5 file
- **path** (str) – Name of the member group. This path is relative to the 'group'
- **name** (str) – Name of the dataset

**Returns** Value of the dataset

**Return type** ndarray or numeric objects

**get\_file\_object()**

Returns the file object that is opened using h5py

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** h5py file object

**Return type** object

**static get\_file\_tag** (data=None)

Resolves and returns the file tag or extension to name the group of the neural data in the HDF5 file

**Parameters** data (NSpike or NLfp) – Neural data objects of NeuroChaT

**Returns** File extension (Axona) or name (Neuralynx) of the neural datasets

**Return type** str

**get\_filename()**

Returns the full file of the HDF5 dataset

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_groups\_in\_path(path=“")**

Returns the names of groups or datasets in a path

**Parameters** **path** (*str*) – path to HDF5 file group

**Returns** Names of the groups or datasets in the path

**Return type** list

**get\_type()**

Returns the type of object. For Nhdf, this is always *hdf* type

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**initialize()**

Initializes the basic groups for the HDF5 file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**resolve\_analysis\_path(spike=None, lfp=None)**

Resolves and returns path of the dataset where analysis results will be stroed. This path is also the unique unit ID.

**Parameters**

- **spike** (*NSpike*) – Spike data object
- **lfp** (*NLfp*) – Lfp data object

**Returns** Unique unit ID resolved from spike and lfp filenames which is also the name of the path to store the data of NeuroChaT analysis

**Return type** str

**resolve\_datapath(data=None)**

Resolves and returns path of the dataset from NeuroChaT data objects

**Parameters** **data** – NeuroChaT data objects

**Returns** Path of the NeuroChaT data

**Return type** str

**static resolve\_hdfname(data=None)**

Resolves and returns the name of the HDF5 file from the filenames of the NeuroChaT data

**Parameters** **data** – One of the NeuroChaT data objects

**Returns** **hdf\_name** – Hdf5 file name

**Return type** str

**save\_attributes(path=None, attr=None)**

Stores an attribute to a group or dataset

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Path of a group or dataset in HDF5 file
- **attr** (*dict*) – Attribute names and values in a dictionary

**Returns****Return type** None**save\_cluster** (*clust=None*)

Stores NClust() dataset to the HDF5 file

**Parameters** **clust** (*NClust()*) – Cluster data object in NeuroChaT**Returns****Return type** None**save\_dataset** (*path=None, name=None, data=None, create\_group=True*)

Stores a dataset to a specific path

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Path of a group in HDF5 file
- **name** (*str*) – Name of the new dataset
- **data** (*ndarray or list of numbers*) – Data to be stored
- **create\_group** (*bool*) – If True, creates a new group if the ‘path’ is not in the file

**Returns****Return type** None**save\_dict\_recursive** (*path=None, name=None, data=None, create\_group=True*)

Stores a dictionary dataset to a specific path. If the dictionary is nested, it creates a group for each of the outermost keys.

**Parameters**

- **path** (*str*) – Path of a group in HDF5 file
- **name** (*str*) – Name of the new dataset
- **data** (*ndarray or list of numbers*) – Data to be stored
- **create\_group** (*bool*) – If True, creates a new group if the ‘path’ is not in the file

**Returns****Return type** None**save\_lfp** (*lfp=None*)

Stores NLfp() dataset to the HDF5 file

**Parameters** **lfp** (*NLfp()*) – LFP data object in NeuroChaT**Returns****Return type** None**save\_object** (*obj=None*)

Stores a NeuroChaT dataset to the HDF5 file. It resolves the name first and then stores the data in the storage path

**Parameters** **obj** – One of the NeuroChaT data types**Returns****Return type** None**save\_spatial** (*spatial=None*)

Stores NSpatial() dataset to the HDF5 file

**Parameters** **spatial** (`NSpatial()`) – Spatial data object in NeuroChaT

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**save\_spike** (*spike=None*)

Stores NSpike() dataset to the HDF5 file

**Parameters** **spike** (`NSpike()`) – Spike data object in NeuroChaT

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_filename** (*filename=None*)

Sets the full file of the HDF5 dataset

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Filename of the HDF5 dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_LFP MODULE

This module implements NLfp Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_lfp.NLfp (\*\*kwargs)  
Bases: *neurochat.nc\_base.NBase*

This data class is the placeholder for the dataset that contains information about the neural LFP signal. It decodes data from different formats and analyses LFP signal in the recording.

**add\_lfp** (lfp=None, \*\*kwargs)

Adds new LFP node to current NLfp() object

**Parameters** **lfp** (NLfp) – NLfp object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NLfp() object

**Return type** obj:NLfp‘

**add\_spike** (spike=None, \*\*kwargs)

Adds new spike node to current NLfp() object

**Parameters** **spike** (NSpike) – NSpike object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NSpike() object

**Return type** obj:NSpike()‘

**event\_trig\_average** (event\_stamp=None, \*\*kwargs)

Averaging event-triggered LFP signals

**Parameters**

- **event\_stamp** (ndarray) – Timestamps of the events or the spiking activities for measuring the event triggered average of the LFP signal
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**get\_bytes\_per\_sample** ()

Returns the number of bytes to represent each LFP waveform sample

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent each sample of the LFP waveform

**Return type** int

**get\_channel\_id** ()

Returns the electrode channels ID

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** LFP channel ID

**Return type** str

**get\_file\_tag()**

Returns the file tag or extension for the LFP dataset. For example, Axona recordings usually have file tags like 'eeg' or 'eeg8' etc.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** File tag or extension for the LFP dataset

**Return type** str

**get\_fullscale\_mv()**

Returns the fullscale value of the ADC in mV

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Fullscale ADC value in mV

**Return type** int

**get\_samples()**

Returns LFP waveform samples

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Samples of the LFP signal

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_sampling\_rate()**

Returns the sampling rate of spike waveforms

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Sampling rate for spike waveforms

**Return type** int

**get\_timestamp()**

Returns the timestamps of the LFP waveform

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Timestamps of the LFP signal

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_timestamp\_bytes()**

Returns the number of bytes to represent each timestamp in the binary file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_total\_channel()**

Returns total number of electrode channels in the LFP data file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of electrode channels

**Return type** int

**get\_total\_samples()**

Returns total number of LFP samples

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of LFP samples

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_type()**

Returns the type of object. For NLfp, this is always *lfp* type

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns**

**Return type** *str*

**load(filename=None, system=None)**

Loads LFP datasets

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – Name of the spike datafile
- **system** (*str*) – Recording system or format of the spike data file

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**See also:**

`load_lfp_axona()`, `load_lfp_NLX()`, `load_lfp_NWB()`

**load\_lfp(names=None)**

Loads datasets of the LFP nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *all*, all LFP nodes are loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**load\_lfp\_Axona(file\_name)**

Decodes LFP data from Axona file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the lfp data

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**load\_lfp\_NWB(file\_name)**

Decodes LFP data from NWB (HDF5) file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the lfp data

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**load\_lfp\_Neuralynx(file\_name)**

Decodes LFP data from Neuralynx file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the lfp data

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**load\_spike(names='all')**

Loads datasets of the spike nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *None*, current NSpike() object is loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**phase\_dist** (*event\_stamp*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of spike to LFP phase distribution

**Parameters**

- **evnet\_stamp** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the events of spiking activities for measuring the phase distribution
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**plv** (*event\_stamp*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates phase-locking value of the spike train to underlying LFP signal.

When 'mode' = None in the input kwargs, it calculates the PLV and SFC over the entire spike-train.

If 'mode' = 'bs', it bootstraps the spike-timestamps and calculates the locking values for each set of new spike timestamps.

If 'mode' = 'tr', a time-resolved phase-locking analysis is performed where the LFP signal is split into overlapped segments for each calculation.

**Parameters**

- **evnet\_stamp** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the events or the spiking activities for measuring the phase locking
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**save\_to\_hdf5** (*file\_name*=None, *system*=None)

Stores NLfp() object to HDF5 file

**Parameters**

- **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the lfp data
- **system** (*str*) – Recording system or data format

**Returns**

- None
- Also see
- \_\_\_\_\_
- *nc\_hdf.Nhdf().save\_lfp()*

**set\_channel\_id** (*channel\_id*=")

Sets the electrode channels ID

**Parameters** **channel\_id** (*str*) – Channel ID for the LFP data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_file\_tag** (*file\_tag*)

Sets the file tag or extension for the LFP dataset. For example, Axona recordings usually have file tags like 'eeg' or 'eeg8' etc.

**Parameters** **file\_tag** (*str*) – File tag or extension for the LFP dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None



**spectrum** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Analyses frequency spectrum of the LFP signal

**Parameters** *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**spike\_lfp\_causality** (*spike=None, \*\*kwargs*)

(Not implemented yet)

Analyses spike to underlying LFP causality

**Parameters**

- **spike** (*NSpike*) – Spike dataset which is used for the causality analysis
- *\*\*kwargs* – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Should return graphical data of the analysis. The function is not implemented yet.

**Return type** dict



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_PLOT MODULE

This module implements plotting functions for NeuroChaT analyses.

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islamnmn at tcd dot ie

`neurochat.nc_plot.angular_velocity(angVel_data)`

Plots the angular head velocity of the animal vs spike rate

**Parameters** `angVel_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to angular head velocity correlation

**Returns** `fig1` – Scatter plot of angular velocity vs spike-rate superimposed with fitted rate

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.border(border_data)`

Plots the analysis results from border analysis

**Parameters** `border_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from border analysis

**Returns**

- `fig1` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Histogram of taxicab distance of active pixels
- `fig2` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Angular distance of pixels vs active pixel count
- `fig3` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Distance from border vs spike rate
- `fig4` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Mean distance distance from border vs firing-rate percentage

`neurochat.nc_plot.dist_rate(dist_data)`

Plots the firing rate vs distance from border

**Parameters** `dist_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from border and gradient analysis

**Returns** `fig1` – Distance from border vs spike rate

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.gradient(gradient_data)`

Plots the results from gradient cell analysis

**Parameters** `border_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from border analysis

**Returns**

- `fig1` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Distance from border vs spike rate
- `fig2` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Differential firing rate vs distance from border
- `fig3` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Mean distance distance from border vs firing-rate percentage

`neurochat.nc_plot.grid(grid_data)`

Plots the results from grid analysis

**Parameters** `grid_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from border analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Autocorrelation of firing rate map, superimposed with central peaks
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Rotational correlation of autocorrelation map

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_firing(hd_data)`

Plots the analysis results of head directional correlation to spike-rate

**Parameters** `hd_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to head-directional correlation

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Polar plot of head-direction during spiking-events
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Polar plot of head-direction vs spike-rate. Predicted firing rate is also plotted.

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_rate(hd_data, ax=None)`

Plots head direction vs spike rate

**Parameters**

- **hd\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to head-direction correlation
- **ax** (*matplotlib.pyplot.axis*) – Axis object. If specified, the figure is plotted in this axis.

**Returns** `ax` – Axis of the polar plot of head-direction vs spike-rate.

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Axis`

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_rate_ccw(hd_data)`

Plots the analysis results of head directional correlation to spike-rate but split into counterclockwise and clockwise head-movements.

**Parameters** `hd_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to head-direction correlation

**Returns** **fig1** – Polar plot of head-direction vs spike-rate in clockwise and counterclockwise head movements

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_rate_time_lapse(hd_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of head directional time-lapse analysis

**Parameters** `hd_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional time-lapsed analysis

**Returns** **fig** – Time-lapsed head-directional firing rate plot

**Return type** list of `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_shuffle(hd_shuffle_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of head directional shuffling analysis

**Parameters** `hd_shuffle_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional shuffling analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Distribution of Rayleigh Z statistics
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Distribution of Von Mises concentration parameter Kapppa

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_spike(hd_data, ax=None)`

Plots the head-direction of the animal at the time of spiking-events in polar scatter plot.

**Parameters**

- **hd\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to head-direction correlation
- **ax** (*matplotlib.pyplot.axis*) – Axis object. If specified, the figure is plotted in this axis.

**Returns** **ax** – Axis of the polar plot of head-direction during spiking events.

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Axis`

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_spike_time_lapse(hd_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of head directional time-lapse analysis

**Parameters** **hd\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional time-lapsed analysis

**Returns** **fig** – Time-lapsed spike-plots

**Return type** list of `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.hd_time_shift(hd_shift_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of head directional time-shift analysis

**Parameters** **hd\_shift\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional time-shift analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Skaggs information content of head directional firing in shifted time of spiking events
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Peak firing rate of head directional firing in shifted time of spiking events
- **fig3** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Skaggs information content of head directional firing in shifted time of spiking events

`neurochat.nc_plot.isi(isi_data)`

Plots Interspike interval histogram and scatter plots of interval-before vs interval-after.

**Parameters** **isi\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the ISI analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Histogram of ISI
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Scatter plot of ISI-before vs ISI-after in loglog scale
- **fig3** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – 2D histogram of the ISI-before vs ISI-after in log-log scale

`neurochat.nc_plot.isi_corr(isi_corr_data)`

Plots ISI correlation.

**Parameters** **isi\_corr\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the ISI correlation

**Returns** **fig1** – ISI correlation histogram

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.lfp_spectrum(plot_data)`

Plots LFP spectrum analysis data

**Parameters** **plot\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the ISI correlation

**Returns** **fig1** – Line plot of LFP spectrum using Welch's method

**Return type** `matplotlib.pyplot.Figure`

`neurochat.nc_plot.lfp_spectrum_tr(plot_data)`

Plots time-resolved LFP spectrum analysis data

**Parameters** **plot\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the ISI correlation

**Returns** **fig1** – 3D plot of short-term FFT of the LFP signal

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_auto_corr(locAuto_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of locational firing rate autocorrelation

**Parameters** `locAuto_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from spatial correlation of firing map

**Returns** `fig1` – Spatial correlation map

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_firing(place_data)`

Plots the analysis results of locational correlation to spike-rate

**Parameters** `place_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to head-directional correlation

**Returns** `fig` – Spike-plot and firing rate map in two subplots respectively

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_rate(place_data, ax=None)`

Plots location vs spike rate

**Parameters**

- `place_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to locational correlation
- `ax` (*matplotlib.pyplot.axis*) – Axis object. If specified, the figure is plotted in this axis.

**Returns** `ax` – Axis of the firing rate map

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Axis

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_rate_time_lapse(place_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of locational time-lapse analysis

**Parameters** `place_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from locational time-lapsed analysis

**Returns** `fig` – Time-lapsed firing-rate map

**Return type** list of matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_shuffle(loc_shuffle_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of locational shuffling analysis

**Parameters** `loc_shuffle_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional shuffling analysis

**Returns** `fig1` – Distribution of Skaggs IC, sparsity and spatial coherence in three subplots

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_spike(place_data, ax=None)`

Plots the location of spiking-events (spike-plot) along with the trace of animal in the environment.

**Parameters**

- `place_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the correlation of unit firing to location of the animal
- `ax` (*matplotlib.pyplot.axis*) – Axis object. If specified, the figure is plotted in this axis.

**Returns** `ax` – Axis of the spike-plot

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Axis

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_spike_time_lapse(place_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of locational time-lapse analysis

**Parameters** `place_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from locational time-lapsed analysis

**Returns** **fig** – Time-lapsed spike-plots

**Return type** list of matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.loc_time_shift(loc_shift_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of locational time-shift analysis

**Parameters** **loc\_shift\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from head-directional time-shift analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Skaggs information content of locational firing in shifted time of spiking events
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Sparsity of locational firing in shifted time of spiking events
- **fig3** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Coherence of locational firing in shifted time of spiking events

`neurochat.nc_plot.multiple_regression(mra_data)`

Plots the results of multiple regression analysis.

**Parameters** **mra\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from multiple regression analysis

**Returns** **fig1** – Bar plot of multiple regression results

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.plv(plv_data)`

Plots the analysis results of Phase-locking value (PLV)

**Parameters** **plv\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the PLV analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of spike-triggered average (STA)
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of FFT of STA (fSTA), average power spectrum of spike-triggered LFP signals (STP), spike-field coherence and PLV in four subplots

`neurochat.nc_plot.plv_bs(plv_data)`

Plots the analysis results of bootstrapped Phase-locking value (PLV)

**Parameters** **plv\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the time-resolved PLV analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of fSTA
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of STP
- **fig3** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of SFC

`neurochat.nc_plot.plv_tr(plv_data)`

Plots the analysis results of time-resolved Phase-locking value (PLV)

**Parameters** **plv\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from the time-resolved PLV analysis

**Returns**

- **fig1** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of fSTA
- **fig2** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of STP
- **fig3** (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Plot of SFC

`neurochat.nc_plot.rot_corr(plot_data)`

Plots the analysis outcome of rotational correlation of spatial autocorrelation map.

**Parameters** **plot\_data** (*dict*) – Graphical data from spatial correlation of firing map

**Returns** **fig1** – Rotational correlation plot

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.scatterplot_matrix(_data, names=[], **kwargs)`

Plots a scatterplot matrix of subplots. Each row of “\_data” is plotted against other rows, resulting in a nrow by nrow grid of subplots with the diagonal subplots labeled with “names”. Additional keyword arguments are passed on to matplotlib’s “plot” command. Returns the matplotlib figure object containing the subplot grid.

`neurochat.nc_plot.set_backend(backend)`

Sets the backend of Matplotlib

**Parameters** `backend` (*str*) – The new backend for Matplotlib

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**See also:**

`matplotlib.pyplot.switch_backend()`

`neurochat.nc_plot.speed(speed_data)`

Plots the speed of the animal vs spike rate

**Parameters** `speed_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the unit firing to speed correlation

**Returns** `fig1` – Scatter plot of speed vs spike-rate superimposed with fitted rate

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.spike_phase(phase_data)`

Plots the analysis results of spike-LFP phase locking

**Parameters** `phase_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the spike-LFP phase locking analysis

**Returns**

- `fig1` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Phase histogram
- `fig2` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Phase distribution in circular plot
- `fig3` (*matplotlib.pyplot.Figure*) – Phase-raster in one subplot, phase histogram in another

`neurochat.nc_plot.stair_plot(dist_data)`

Plots the stairs of mean distance vs firing-rate bands

**Parameters** `dist_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from border and gradient analysis

**Returns** `fig1` – Mean distance distance from border vs firing-rate percentage

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.theta_cell(plot_data)`

Plots theta-modulated cell and theta-skipping cell analysis data

**Parameters** `plot_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the theta-modulated cell and theta skipping cell analysis

**Returns** `fig1` – ISI correlation histogram superimposed with fitted sinusoidal curve.

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure

`neurochat.nc_plot.wave_property(wave_data, plots=[2, 2])`

Plots mean +/-std of waveforms in electrode groups

**Parameters**

- `wave_data` (*dict*) – Graphical data from the Waveform analysis
- `plots` (*list*) – Subplot shape. [2, 2] for tetrode setup

**Returns** `fig1` – Matlab figure object

**Return type** matplotlib.pyplot.Figure



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_SPATIAL MODULE

This module implements NSpatial Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_spatial.NSpatial (\*\*kwargs)

Bases: *neurochat.nc\_base.NAbstract*

This data class is the placeholder for the dataset that contains information about the spatial behaviour of the animal. It decodes data from different formats and analyses the correlation of spatial information with the spiking activity of a unit.

**angular\_velocity** (*fimes*, \*\*kwargs)

Calculates the firing rate of the unit at different binned angular head velocity.

The spike rate vs speed is fitted with a linear equation individually for the negative and positive angular velocities, and goodness of fit is measured

### Parameters

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**border** (*fimes*, \*\*kwargs)

Analysis of the firing characteristic of a unit with respect to the environmental border

### Parameters

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**calc\_ang\_vel** (*npoint=5*)

Calculates the angular head velocity of the animal from the direction data Each sample is the slope of a fitted line of five directional data centred around current sample.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**calc\_border** (\*\*kwargs)

Identifies the border of the recording arena from the trace of the foraging of the animal in the arena

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns**

- **border\_dist** (*ndarray*) – Distance of the animal from the border at each behavioural samples
- **xedges** (*ndarray*) – Pixelated edge of the x-axis
- **yedges** (*ndarray*) – Pixelated edge of the y-axis
- **dist\_mat** (*ndarray*) – A matrix of distance of each pixel of the arena from the identified border

**get\_ang\_vel** ()

Returns angular head velocity of the animal

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Angular head velocity of the animal

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_border** ()

Returns animal's distance from the border

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Animal's distance from the border

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_direction** ()

Returns head direction of the animal

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Head direction of the animal

**Return type** *ndarray*

**get\_duration** ()

Returns the duration of the experiment

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Duration of the experiment

**Return type** *float*

**get\_event\_loc** (*ftimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates location of the event from its timestamps.

**Parameters**

- **ftimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking or any other events
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns**

- *ndarray* – Index of the events in spatial-timestamps
- *ndarray* – x-coordinates of the event location
- *ndarray* – y-coordinates of the event location
- *ndarray* – direction of the animal at the time of the event

**get\_pixel\_size** ()

Returns the pixel size of the recorded arena

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Pixel size

**Return type** *int*

**get\_pos\_x()**

Returns the X-coordinates of animal's location

**Parameters** None –**Returns** X-coordinates of animal's location**Return type** ndarray**get\_pos\_y()**

Returns the Y-coordinates of animal's location

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Y-coordinates of animal's location**Return type** ndarray**get\_sampling\_rate()**

Returns the sampling rate of the spatial samples

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Spatial data sampling rate**Return type** int**get\_speed()**

Returns speed of the animal

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Speed of the animal**Return type** ndarray**get\_time()**

Returns the time of individual spatial samples

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Total spatial samples**Return type** int**get\_timestamp()**

Returns the temporal resolution of spatial samples

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Temporal resolution of spatial samples**Return type** int**get\_total\_samples()**

Returns the number of spatial samples

**Parameters** None –**Returns** Total spatial samples**Return type** int**get\_type()**Returns the type of object. For NSpatial, this is always *spatial* type**Parameters** None –**Returns****Return type** str

**gradient** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of gradient cell, a unit whose firing rate gradually increases as the animal traverses from the border to the center of the environment

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**grid** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of Grid cells characterised by formation of grid-like pattern of high activity in the firing-rate map

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**hd\_rate** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the firing rate of the unit with respect to the head-direction of the animal in the environment. This is called Tuning curve.

Predicted firing map from the locational firing is also calculated and distributive ratio is measured along with the Skaggs information.

Spike-plot similar to locational firing is developed but in the circular bins which shows the direction of the animal's head at each spike's occurring time.

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**hd\_rate\_ccw** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the tuning curve but split into clock-wise vs counterclockwise head-directional movement.

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**hd\_shift** (*fimes*, *shift\_ind=array([-10, -9, -8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10])*)

Analysis of firing specificity of the unit with respect to animal's head direction to observe whether it represents past direction or anticipates a future direction.

**Parameters** **shift\_ind** (*ndarray*) – Index of spatial resolution shift for the spike event time. Shift -1 implies shift to the past by 1 spatial time resolution, and +2 implies shift to the future by 2 spatial time resolution.

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**hd\_shuffle** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Shuffling analysis of the unit to see if the head-directional firing specificity is by chance or actually correlated to the head-direction of the animal

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**hd\_time\_lapse** (*fimes*)

Calculates the tuning curve and identifies the location of the spiking events at certain intervals. This method is useful in observing the evolution of unit-activity as the animal traverses the environment.

**Following intervals are used:** 0-1min, 0-2min, 0-4min, 0-8min, 0-16min or 0-end depending on the recording duration 0-1min, 1-2min, 2-4min, 4-8min, 8-16min or 16-end depending on the recording duration

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**interdependence** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Interdependence analysis where firing rate of each variable is predicted from another variable and the distributive ratio is measured between the predicted firing rate and the calculated firing rate.

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load** (*filename=None*, *system=None*)

Loads the spatial object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_lfp** ()

Loads the composite lfp object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spatial\_Axona** (*file\_name*)

Loads Axona format spatial data to the NSpatial() object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spatial\_NWB** (*file\_name*)

Loads HDF5 format spatial data to the NSpatial() object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spatial\_Neuralynx** (*file\_name*)

Loads Neuralynx format spatial data to the NSpatial() object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike** ()

Loads the composing spike object

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**loc\_auto\_corr** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the two-dimensional correlation of firing map which is the map of the firing rate of the animal with respect to its location

**Parameters**

- **ftimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**loc\_rot\_corr** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the rotational correlation of the locational firing rate of the animal with respect to location, also called firing map

**Parameters**

- **ftimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**loc\_shift** (*fimes*, *shift\_ind=array([-10, -9, -8, -7, -6, -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10])*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of firing specificity of the unit with respect to animal's location to observe whether it represents past location of the animal or anticipates a future location.

**Parameters**

- **ftimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **shift\_ind** (*ndarray*) – Index of spatial resolution shift for the spike event time. Shift -1 implies shift to the past by 1 spatial time resolution, and +2 implies shift to the future by 2 spatial time resolution.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**loc\_shuffle** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Shuffling analysis of the unit to see if the locational firing specificity is by chance or actually correlated to the location of the animal

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**loc\_time\_lapse** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the firing rate map and identifies the location of the spiking events at certain intervals. This method is useful in observing the evolution of unit-activity as the animal traverses the environment.

**Following intervals are used:** 0-1min, 0-2min, 0-4min, 0-8min, 0-16min or 0-end depending on the recording duration 0-1min, 1-2min, 2-4min, 4-8min, 8-16min or 16-end depending on the recording duration

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**multiple\_regression** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Multiple-regression analysis where firing rate for each variable, namely location, head-direction, speed, AHV, and distance from border, are used to regress the instantaneous firing rate of the unit.

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**place** (*fimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the two-dimensional firing rate of the unit with respect to the location of the animal in the environment. This is called Firing map.

Specificity indices are measured to assess the quality of location-specific firing of the unit.

This method also plots the events of spike occurring superimposed on the trace of the animal in the arena, commonly known as Spike Plot.

**Parameters**

- **fimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**save\_to\_hdf5** (*file\_name=None*, *system=None*)

Save spatial dataset to HDF5 file

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_ang\_vel** (*ang\_vel*)

Sets the angular head velocity (AHV) of the animal

**Parameters** **ang\_vel** (*ndarray*) – Angular head velocity (AHV) of the animal

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_border** (*border*)

Sets the distance of the animal from the arena border

**Parameters** **border** (*ndarray*) – Distance of the animal from the arena border

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_event** (*event*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Sets the NEvent() object to NSpatial().

**Parameters** **event** – NEvent or its childclass or NEvent() object

**Returns**

**Return type** *NEvent()*

**set\_event\_filename** (*filename=None*)

Sets the filename for the event

**Parameters** **filename** (*str*) – Full file of the event dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_event\_name** (*name=None*)

Sets the name of the event object.

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the vent dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp** (*lfp*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Adds the NLfp object to NSpatial object

**Parameters**

- **lfp** (*NLfp*) – NLfp object to be added to the NSpatial object. If no spike object is provided, a new NLfp() object is created.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments for creating the new NLfp instance

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_filename** (*filename=None*)

Sets file name of the lfp dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Full file directory of the lfp dataset

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_lfp\_name** (*name=None*)

Sets the name of the lfp dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the lfp dataset



**Returns****Return type** None**set\_pixel\_size** (*pixel\_size*)

Sets the size of pixel size by which the entire foraged arena is tessellated

**Parameters** **pixel\_size** (*int*) – Pixel size of the foraged arena**Returns****Return type** None**set\_spike** (*spike*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Adds the NSpike object to NSpatial object

**Parameters**

- **spike** (*NSpike*) – NSpike object to be added to the NSpatial object. If no spike object is provided, a new NSpike() object is created.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments for creating the new NSpike instance

**Returns****Return type** None**set\_spike\_filename** (*filename=None*)

Sets file name of the spike dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Full file directory of the spike dataset**Returns****Return type** None**set\_spike\_name** (*name=None*)

Sets the name of the spike dataset

**Parameters** **name** (*str*) – Name of the spike dataset**Returns****Return type** None**set\_system** (*system=None*)

Sets the data format or recording system.

**Parameters** **system** (*str*) – Data format or recording system**Returns****Return type** None**static skaggs\_info** (*firing\_rate*, *visit\_time*)

Calculates the Skaggs information content of the spatial firing

**Parameters**

- **firing\_rate** (*ndarray*) – Firing rate of the unit at each pixelated location or binned information, i.e., binned speed or head-direction
- **visit\_time** (*ndarray*) – Amount of time animal spent in each pixel or bin

**Returns** Skaggs information content**Return type** float**smooth\_direction** ()

Smooths the angular head direction data using a moving circular average

**Parameters** None –**Returns**

**Return type** None

**See also:**

`nc_circular.CircStat()`

**smooth\_speed()**

Smoothes the speed data using a moving-average box filter

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**static spatial\_sparsity** (*firing\_rate*, *visit\_time*)

Calculates the spatial sparsity of the spatial firing

**Parameters**

- **firing\_rate** (*ndarray*) – Firing rate of the unit at each pixelated location
- **visit\_time** (*ndarray*) – Amount of time animal spent in each pixel

**Returns** Spatial sparsity

**Return type** float

**speed** (*ftimes*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Calculates the firing rate of the unit at different binned speeds.

The spike rate vs speed is fitted with a linear equation and goodness of fit is measured

**Parameters**

- **ftimes** (*ndarray*) – Timestamps of the spiking activity of a unit
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_SPIKE MODULE

This module implements NSpike Class for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islamnmn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_spike.NSpike (\*\*kwargs)  
Bases: *neurochat.nc\_base.NBase*

This data class is the placeholder for the dataset that contains information about the neural spikes. It decodes data from different formats and analyses single units in the recording.

**add\_lfp** (lfp=None, \*\*kwargs)

Adds new LFP node to current NSpike() object

**Parameters** **lfp** (NLfp) – NLfp object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NLfp() object

**Return type** obj:NLfp‘

**add\_spike** (spike=None, \*\*kwargs)

Adds new spike node to current NSpike() object

**Parameters** **spike** (NSpike) – NSpike object. If None, new object is created

**Returns** ‘ – A new NSpike() object

**Return type** obj:NSpike‘

**burst** (burst\_thresh=5, ibi\_thresh=50)

Analysis of bursting properties of the spiking train

**Parameters**

- **burst\_thresh** (int) – Minimum ISI between consecutive spikes in a burst
- **ibi\_thresh** (int) – Minimum inter-burst interval between two bursting groups of spikes

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**get\_bytes\_per\_sample** ()

Returns the number of bytes to represent each spike waveform sample

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent each sample of the spike waveforms

**Return type** int

**get\_channel\_ids** ()

Returns the identities of individual channels

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Identities of individual channels

**Return type** list

**get\_fullscale\_mv()**

Returns the fullscale value of the ADC in mV

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Fullscale ADC value in mV

**Return type** int

**get\_samples\_per\_spike()**

Returns the number of bytes to represent each timestamp in the binary file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_sampling\_rate()**

Returns the sampling rate of spike waveforms

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Sampling rate for spike waveforms

**Return type** int

**get\_timebase()**

Returns the timebase for spike event timestamps

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Timebase for spike event timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_timestamp(unit\_no=None)**

Returns the timestamps of the spike-waveforms of spefied unit

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Timestamps of the spiking waveforms

**Return type** ndarray

**get\_timestamp\_bytes()**

Returns the number of bytes to represent each timestamp in the binary file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Number of bytes to represent timestamps

**Return type** int

**get\_total\_channels()**

Returns total number of electrode channels in the spike data file

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of electrode channels

**Return type** int

**get\_total\_spikes()**

Returns total number of spikes in the recording

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Total number of spikes

**Return type** int

**get\_type()**

Returns the type of object. For NSpike, this is always *spike* type

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** str

**get\_unit\_list()**

Gets the list of the units

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** List of the unique tags of spiking-waveforms from clustering

**Return type** list

**get\_unit\_no(spike\_name=None)**

Gets currently set unit number of the spike dataset to analyse

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Unit or cell number set to analyse

**Return type** int

**get\_unit\_spikes\_count(unit\_no=None)**

Returns the number of spikes in a unit

**Parameters** **unit\_no(int)** – Units whose spike count is returned

**Returns** Number of units spikes of a unit in a recording session

**Return type** int

**get\_unit\_stamp()**

Gets the timestamps for currently set unit to analyse

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Timestamps for currently set unit

**Return type** list or ndarray

**get\_unit\_tags()**

Returns the unit number or tags of the clustered units

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** list or ndarray

**get\_unit\_waves(unit\_no=None)**

Returns spike waveform of a specified unit

**Parameters** **unit\_no(int)** – Unit whose waveforms are to be returned

**Returns** Waveforms of the specified unit. If None, waveforms of currently set unit are returned

**Return type** OrderedDict

**get\_waveform()**

Returns spike-waveforms

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** Dictionary of spiking waveforms where keys represent the channel number

**Return type** OrderedDict

**isi** (*bins='auto', bound=None, density=False*)  
Calculates the ISI histogram of the spike train

**Parameters**

- **bins** (*str or int*) – Number of ISI histogram bins. If 'auto', NumPy default is used
- **bound** (*int*) – Length of the ISI histogram in msec
- **density** (*bool*) – If true, normalized histogram is calculated

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**isi\_corr** (*spike=None, \*\*kwargs*)  
Calculates the correlation of ISI histogram.

**Parameters**

- **spike** (*NSpike()*) – If specified, it calculates cross-correlation.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**load** (*filename=None, system=None*)  
Loads spike datasets

**Parameters**

- **filename** (*str*) – Name of the spike datafile
- **system** (*str*) – Recording system or format of the spike data file

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**See also:**

`load_spike_axona()`, `load_spike_NLX()`, `load_spike_NWB()`

**load\_lfp** (*names='all'*)  
Loads datasets of the LFP nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *all*, all LFP nodes are loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike** (*names=None*)  
Loads datasets of the spike nodes. Name of each node is used for obtaining the filenames

**Parameters** **names** (*list of str*) – Names of the nodes to load. If *None*, current `NSpike()` object is loaded

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike\_Axona** (*file\_name*)  
Decodes spike data from Axona file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the spike data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike\_NWB** (*file\_name*)

Decodes spike data from NWB (HDF5) file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the spike data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**load\_spike\_Neuralynx** (*file\_name*)

Decodes spike data from Neuralynx file format

**Parameters** **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the spike data

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**phase\_dist** (*lfp=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of spike to LFP phase distribution

Delegates to NLfp().phase\_dist()

**Parameters**

- **lfp** (NLfp) – LFP object which contains the LFP data
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_lfp.NLfp()

**plv** (*lfp=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Calculates phase-locking value of spike train to underlying LFP signal.

Delegates to NLfp().plv()

**Parameters**

- **lfp** (NLfp) – LFP object which contains the LFP data
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**See also:**

nc\_lfp.NLfp()

**psth** (*event\_stamp, \*\*kwargs*)

Calculates peri-stimulus time histogram (PSTH)

**Parameters**

- **event\_stamp** (*ndarray*) – Event timestamps
- **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** dict

**save\_to\_hdf5** (*file\_name=None, system=None*)

Stores NSpike() object to HDF5 file

**Parameters**

- **file\_name** (*str*) – Full file directory for the spike data

- **system**(*str*) – Recoring system or data format

**Returns**

- *None*
- *Also see*
- *\_\_\_\_\_*
- *nc\_hdf.Nhdf().save\_spike()*

**set\_unit\_no**(*unit\_no=None, spike\_name=None*)

Sets the unit number of the spike dataset to analyse

**Parameters** **unit\_no**(*int*) – Unit or cell number to analyse

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**set\_unit\_tags**(*new\_tags*)

Sets the number or tags of the clustered units

**Parameters** **new\_tags**(*list or ndarray*) – Tags for each spiking wave

**Returns**

**Return type** *None*

**spike\_lfp\_causality**(*lfp=None, \*\*kwargs*)

Analyses spike to underlying LFP causality

Delegates to `NLfp().spike_lfp_causality()`

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*

**See also:**

`nc_lfp.NLfp()`

**theta\_index**(*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of theta-modulation of a unit

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*

**theta\_skip\_index**(*\*\*kwargs*)

Analysis of theta-skipping of a unit

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Keyword arguments

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*

**wave\_property**()

Claulates different waveform properties for currently set unit

**Parameters** *None* –

**Returns** Graphical data of the analysis

**Return type** *dict*



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_UI MODULE

This module implements `NeuroChaT_Ui`, the main class for NeuroChaT graphical user interface. It contains other graphical and data objects and connects to the `NeuroChaT` class for setting configuration and analysis in `NeuroChaT`.

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** `neurochat.nc_ui.NeuroChaT_Ui`

Bases: `PyQt5.QtWidgets.QMainWindow`

**accumulate\_output** ()

Opens the `UiMerge()` object for the user to accumulate the selected PDF or Postscript files.

**behaviour\_ui** ()

Sets up the behaviour of `NeuroChaT_ui` widgets

**browse** ()

Opens a file dialog asking the user to select spike and spatial data files. Once selected, it also set the LFP channels in the 'LFP Ch No' combo box.

**cell\_type\_analysis** (*cell\_type*)

Sets the analysis checkboxes based on the type of cell selected.

**cell\_type\_select** ()

Called when there is a change in the cell type selection button groups. Sets the cell type to the selected item.

**clear\_log** ()

Clears the texts in the log box.

**closeEvent** (*event*)

Called when `NeuroChaT` window is about to close. Opens a dialogue for saving the session information in `NeuroChaT` configuration file (.ncfg).

**cluster\_evaluate** ()

Opens a file dialog for selecting the Excel list that contains specifications for cluster evaluation and evaluates the clusters using the `NeuroChaT().cluster_evaluate()` method.

**See also:**

`NeuroChaT()`

**compare\_units** ()

Opens a file dialog for selecting the Excel list that contains specifications for comparing units and compares the units through `NeuroChaT().cluster_similarity()` method.

**See also:**

`NeuroChaT()`

**convert\_to\_nwb** ()

Opens a file dialog for selecting the Excel list that contains specifications for NWB file for conversion. It then converts the files using the `NeuroChaT().convert_to_nwb()` method.

**See also:**

**NeuroChaT()**  
Called when there is a change in the data format selection combo box. Sets the data format to the selected item.

**exit\_nc()**  
Called when 'Exit' menu item is clicked. Closes the NeuroChaT window.

**export\_graphic\_info()**  
Called when 'Export graphic file info' menu is clicked. Opens a file dialogue for the selection of an Excel file, and exports the graphic file infor in the table to the file

**export\_results()**  
Called when 'Export Results' button is clicked. Opens a file dialogue for the selection of an Excel file, and exports the results in the table to the file

**graphic\_format\_select()**  
Called when there is a change in the graphic format selection button groups. Sets the output graphic format to the selected item.

**lfp\_chan\_getitems()**  
Returns the list of LFP files (Neuralynx) or their file extension (Axona) once the spike data is set using the 'Browse' button

**load\_session()**  
Prompts the user to select a .ncfg file and loads the settings and parameters from the file to the GUI elements.

**menu\_ui()**  
Sets up the menu items in NeuroChaT GUI

**merge\_output()**  
Opens the UiMerge() object for the user to merge the selected PDF or Postscript files.

**mode\_select(ind)**  
Called when there is a change in the analysis mode selection combo box. Sets the data analysis mode to the selected item.

**restore\_start\_button()**  
After reactivating the start button, it displays the results in the UI table.

**retranslate\_ui()**  
Sets up the title and icon in NeuroChaT GUI

**save\_log()**  
Opens a file dialog for the user to select a text file where the current texts of the log-box are exported

**save\_session()**  
Prompts the user to select a .ncfg file and saves the current settings and parameters from the GUI elements to the file.

**selectGraphicFormatUi()**  
Sets up the graphic format selection panel in NeuroChaT GUI

**select\_all()**  
Called when 'Select All' box is checked or unchecked. It checks or unchecks all other analyses.

**select\_analysis\_ui()**  
Sets up the analysis type selection panel in NeuroChaT GUI

**select\_cell\_type\_ui()**  
Sets up the cell type selection panel in NeuroChaT GUI

**set\_lfp\_chan(value)**  
Called when the selection in the 'LFP Ch No' is changed. Sets the lfp channel accordingly.

**set\_parameters ()**

Shows the UiParameters() widget once the user clicks the 'Parameters' menu item for setting the parameters.

**set\_unit\_no (value)**

Called when the selection in the 'Unit No' is changed. Sets the unit number accordingly.

**setup\_ui ()**

Sets up the elements of NeuroChaT\_ui class

**start ()**

Called when start button is clicked. Starts the entire backend operation in NeuroChaT

**update\_log (msg)**

Updates the log-box with new message

**Parameters** *msg* – New log message or record

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**verify\_units ()**

Opens a file dialog for selecting the Excel list that contains specifications for verifying the units and verifies the unit using the NeuroChaT().verify\_units() method.

**See also:**

NeuroChaT ()

**class neurochat.nc\_ui.ParamBoxLayout**

Bases: PyQt5.QtWidgets.QVBoxLayout

Subclass of QtWidgets.QVBoxLayout to facilitate adding new widget item to the analysis parameter selection window.

**addRow (label\_1, widg, label\_2)**

Adds a new row of widget using the QtWidgets.QHBoxLayout().

**Parameters**

- **label\_1** (*str*) – Name of the parameter
- **widg** – PyQt5 widget to add
- **label\_2** (*str*) – Additional description of the parameter, i.e., unit, range etc.

**class neurochat.nc\_ui.UiParameters (parent=None)**

Bases: PyQt5.QtWidgets.QDialog

NeuroChaT user interface for setting analysis specific parameters.

**ang\_vel\_page ()**

Sets the ui elements for the 'ang\_vel' analysis parameters.

**behaviour\_ui ()**

Sets the behaviour of the GUI elements.

**border\_page ()**

Sets the ui elements for the 'border' analysis parameters.

**burst\_page ()**

Sets the ui elements for the 'burst' analysis parameters.

**change\_stack\_page ()**

Changes the stacked widgets of parameter setting according to the analysis selected from the list on left of the window.

**gradient\_page ()**

Sets the ui elements for the 'gradient' analysis parameters.

**grid\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘grid’ analysis parameters.

**hd\_rate\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘hd\_rate’ analysis parameters.

**hd\_shuffle\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘hd\_shuffle’ analysis parameters.

**hd\_time\_lapse\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘hd\_time\_lapse’ analysis parameters.

**hd\_time\_shift\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘hd\_time\_shift’ analysis parameters.

**inter\_depend\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘inter\_depend’ analysis parameters.

**isi\_corr\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘isi\_corr’ analysis parameters.

**isi\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘isi’ analysis parameters.

**lfp\_spectrum\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘lfp\_spectrum’ analysis parameters.

**lfp\_spike\_causality\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘lfp\_spike\_causality’ analysis parameters.

**loc\_rate\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘loc\_rate’ analysis parameters.

**loc\_shuffle\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘loc\_shuffle’ analysis parameters.

**loc\_time\_lapse\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘loc\_time\_lapse’ analysis parameters.

**loc\_time\_shift\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘loc\_time\_shift’ analysis parameters.

**multiple\_regresison\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘multiple\_regression’ analysis parameters.

**phase\_lock\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘phase\_lock’ analysis parameters.

**set\_loc\_rate\_filter(*filt\_type*)**

Sets the ui elements for the filters for locational firing rate map.

**set\_spat\_corr\_filter(*filt\_type*)**

Sets the ui elements for the filters for spatial autocorrelation of locational firing rate map.

**setup\_ui()**

Sets the GUI elements for the widget.

**spatial\_corr\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘spatial\_corr’ analysis parameters.

**speed\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘burst’ analysis parameters.

**spike\_phase\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘spike\_phase’ analysis parameters.

**theta\_cell\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘theta\_cell’ analysis parameters.

**theta\_skip\_cell\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘theta\_skip\_cell’ analysis parameters.

**waveform\_page()**

Sets the ui elements for the ‘Waveform Analysis’ parameters.

**class** neurochat.nc\_ui.UiResults (*parent=None*)

Bases: `PyQt5.QtWidgets.QDialog`

NeuroChaT user interface for displaying the analysis results and and facilitating their export.

**set\_data** (*pd\_model*)

Sets the PandasModel as the data model for the table-view.

**Parameters** **pd\_model** (`PandasModel`) – PandasModel as the table-data

**set\_default** ()

Not implemented. Can be used for clearing the table and the data model underneath.

**setup\_ui** ()

Sets up the GUI elements of the widget and their behaviour. Clicking on the ‘Export Results’ button calls the `NeuroChaT_Ui.export_results()` method.

**See also:**

`PandasModel()`



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_UIGETFILES MODULE

This module implements UiGetFiles Class for NeuroChaT that provides the graphical interface and functionalities for manually selecting files.

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

```
class neurochat.nc_uigetfiles.UiGetFiles (parent=None, filters=['.pdf', '.ps'])  
    Bases: PyQt5.QtWidgets.QDialog
```

**DOWN** = 1

**UP** = -1

```
__init__ (parent=None, filters=['.pdf', '.ps'])  
    Instantiate the UiGetFiles class.
```

### Parameters

- **parent** – Parent widget if any
- **filters** (*list of str*) – File filters for manual selection

### parent

Parent widget

### filters

*list of str* – Approved filters

### current\_filter

*str* – Currently set filter

### files

*list* – List of selected files

### add\_items ()

Called if the add button is clicked. Adds selected model item to the right side selected file box if that passes the filter

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

### behaviour\_ui ()

Sets up the behaviour of UiGetFiles class

### close\_dialog ()

Closes the widget for file selection.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**dir\_changed** (*value*)

Called if the subdirectory combo-box in the widget is changed to update the list of new subdirectories

**Parameters** **value** – Newly set item number in the combo-box of subdirectories.

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**done** ()

Sets the list of files and closes the widget.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**filter\_changed** (*value*)

Called if the filter changed to update for the new selection

**Parameters** **value** – Currently set filter

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**get\_files** ()

Returns the list of files.

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns** List of selected files

**Return type** list

**hierarchy\_changed** ()

Called if the directory hierarchy is changed

**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**item\_activated** (*qind*)

Called if any of the model item in the list of folders and files is double-clicked

**Parameters** **qind** – Index of new model item

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**line\_edited** (*value*)

Called if the directory text box in the widget is changed to update the list of new subdirectories

**Parameters** **value** – Newly set text in the directory box.

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**move\_items** (*direction='down'*)

Moves item in the item model by changing their indices.

**Parameters** **direction** (*str*) – Direction of moving 'down' or 'up'

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**remove\_items** ()

Removes the item which is added to the selection list. Updates the item model.



**Parameters** **None** –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**setup\_ui** ()

Sets up the elements of UiGetFiles class

**update\_list** (*directory*)

Updates the list of folders and sets the item model for the scrollable list

**Parameters** **directory** – New directory whose folders and files are listed

**Returns**

**Return type** None



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_UIMERGE MODULE

This module implements UiMerge Class for NeuroChaT that provides the graphical interface and functionalities for merging and accumulating the output graphics of NeuroChaT

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_uimerge.UiMerge (*parent=None*)  
Bases: PyQt5.QtWidgets.QDialog

This class invokes a graphical user interface where the user can upload a list of PDF or Postscript files in Excel format or can use a filepicker to manually pick the files to merge in a file or accumulate in a folder.

**browse\_excel\_merge ()**

Opens a dialogue for selecting the Excel list of PDF/Postscript files and reads the file information.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**merge\_files ()**

Calling this method toggles the UI selection for using an Excel list or picking files manually.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**save\_in\_merge ()**

Opens a dialogue for selecting the file or folder where the PDF/Postscript files will be merged or accumulated.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**select\_files\_merge ()**

Invokes the UiGetFiles class for manual selection of the PDF or Postscript files for merging or accumulating.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**set\_default ()**

Sets up the defaults of the GUI

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**setup\_ui ()**

Sets up the GUI elements

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**start ()**

Executes the merging or accumulating operation.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

## NEUROCHAT.NC\_UIUTILS MODULE

This module implements utility functions and classes for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_uiutils.NLogBox (*parent=None*)

Bases: PyQt5.QtWidgets.QTextEdit

Subclassed from PyQt5.QtWidgets.QTextEdit, this class creates a formatted text-editable log-box for NeuroChaT

**get\_text** ()

Returned the texts of log-box in plain text format

**Parameters** None –

**Returns** Plain text of log-box

**Return type** str

**insert\_log** (*msg*)

Formats further the HTML ‘msg’ to categorally add color to the log-texts and displays it in the log-box or in any log-handler.

**Parameters** *msg* – Log record that is to be displayed

**class** neurochat.nc\_uiutils.NOut

Bases: PyQt5.QtCore.QObject

Subclassed from PyQt5.QtCore.QObject, it implements the Qt signalling mechanism so that when a text is written using NOut() object, it emits a text to the output to an output console or file or where the emitted signal is connected to.

In NeuroChaT, the sys.stdout.write is replaced with NOut().write, which means print(‘some text’) will print to GUI log box in GUI and to the standard output console when used in API.

**emitted**

**write** (*text*)

Emits the texts as Qt signal

**Parameters** *text* (*str*) – Text to be emitted

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**class** neurochat.nc\_uiutils.PandasModel (*data, parent=None*)

Bases: PyQt5.QtCore.QAbstractTableModel

Class to populate a QT table view with a pandas dataframe and implements methods that are to be overridden

**columnCount** (*parent=None*)

Overrides the columnCount() methods

**Parameters** **parent** (*QtCore.QModelIndex*) – Specific model for item index. Usually not required.

**Returns** Count of column in the item model

**Return type** int

**data** (*index, role=0*)

Data model for the *QtCore.QAbstractTableModel*.

**Parameters**

- **index** – Pandas DataFrame index
- **role** (*Qt.ItemDataRole*) – Usually set for *QtCore.Qt.DisplayRole* which means the data to rendered in the form of text

**Returns** Returns the data in the DataFrame’s ‘index’ location in str format

**Return type** str

**headerData** (*index, orientation, role*)

Data model for the *QtCore.QAbstractTableModel*.

**Parameters**

- **index** – Pandas DataFrame index
- **orientation** (*Qt.Orientation*) – Orientation of the data
- **role** (*Qt.ItemDataRole*) – Usually set for *QtCore.Qt.DisplayRole* which means the data to be rendered in the form of text

**Returns**

- *Data in the DataFrame().columns[index] if orientation is ‘Horizontal’*
- *or DataFrame().index[index] if orientation is ‘Vertical’*

**rowCount** (*parent=None*)

Overrides the *rowCount()* methods

**Parameters** **parent** (*QtCore.QModelIndex*) – Specific model for item index. Usually not required.

**Returns** Count of row in the item model

**Return type** int

**class** *neurochat.nc\_uiutils.ScrollableWidget*

Bases: *PyQt5.QtWidgets.QWidget*

Subclassed from *PyQt5.QtWidgets.QWidget*, this class creates a scrollable widget.

**setContent** (*cont\_layout*)

Sets the contents of the scrollable widget

**Parameters** **cont\_layout** – *PyQt5* layout that is the container for scrollable elements.

*neurochat.nc\_uiutils.add\_check\_box* (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name=”, text=None*)

Returns a *QtWidgets.QCheckBox()* object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **text** (*str*) – Check box text

**Returns** Instance of *QtWidgets.QCheckBox* Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QCheckBox

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_combo_box` (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name=""*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QComboBox() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QComboBox Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QComboBox

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_double_spin_box` (*parent=None, position=None, min\_val=0, max\_val=1, obj\_name=""*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QDoubleSpinBox() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **min\_val** (*float*) – Minimum value of the spin-box
- **max\_val** (*float*) – Maximum value of the spin-box
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QDoubleSpinBox Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QDoubleSpinBox

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_group_box` (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name="", title=None*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QGroupBox() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the group-box

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QGroupBox Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QGroupBox

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_label` (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name="", text=None*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QLabel() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **text** (*str*) – Label text

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QLabel Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QLabel

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_line_edit` (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name="", text=None*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QLineEdit() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **text** (*str*) – Line-edit text

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QLineEdit Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QLineEdit

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_log_box(obj_name)`

Returns a NLogBox() object

**Parameters** **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object

**Returns** Instance of NLogBox Class

**Return type** *NLogBox*

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_push_button(parent=None, position=None, obj_name="", text=None)`

Returns a QtWidgets.QPushButton() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **text** (*str*) – Button text

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QPushButton Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QPushButton

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_radio_button(parent=None, position=None, obj_name="", text=None)`

Returns a QtWidgets.QRadioButton() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object
- **text** (*str*) – Button text

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QRadioButton Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QRadioButton

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_spin_box(parent=None, position=None, obj_name="", min_val=0, max_val=128)`

Returns a QtWidgets.QSpinBox() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **min\_val** (*int*) – Minimum value of the spin-box
- **max\_val** (*int*) – Maximum value of the spin-box
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QSpinBox Class



**Return type** QtWidgets.QSpinBox

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.add_widget` (*parent=None, position=None, obj\_name=""*)

Returns a QtWidgets.QWidget() object

**Parameters**

- **parent** – Parent widget
- **position** (*tuple*) – Position in the parent object
- **obj\_name** (*str*) – Name of the newly created object

**Returns** Instance of QtWidgets.QWidget Class

**Return type** QtWidgets.QWidget

`neurochat.nc_uiutils.xlt_from_utf8` (*s*)



## NEUROCHAT.NC\_UTILS MODULE

This module implements utility functions and classes for NeuroChaT software

@author: Md Nurul Islam; islammn at tcd dot ie

**class** neurochat.nc\_utils.NLog

Bases: logging.Handler

Class for handling log information (messages, errors and warnings) for NeuroChaT. It formats the incoming message in HTML and sends it to the log interface of NeuroChaT.

**emit** (*record*)

Formats the incoming record and

**Parameters** **record** – Log record to display or store

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**setup** ()

Removes all the logging handlers and sets up a new logger with HTML formatting.

**Parameters** None –

**Returns**

**Return type** None

**class** neurochat.nc\_utils.Singleton

Bases: object

Creates a Singleton object created from a subclass of this class

neurochat.nc\_utils.bhatt (*X1*, *X2*)

Calculates Bhattacharyya coefficient and Hellinger distance between two distributions

**Parameters** **X2** (*X1*,) – Distributions under consideration

**Returns** **bc**, **d** – Bhattacharyya coefficient and Hellinger distance

**Return type** float

neurochat.nc\_utils.butter\_filter (*x*, *Fs*, *\*args*)

Filtering function using bidirectional zero-phase shift Butterworth filter.

**Parameters**

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Data or signal to filter
- **Fs** (*Sampling frequency*) –
- **\*kwargs** – Arguments with filter parameters

**Returns** Filtered signal

**Return type** ndarray

`neurochat.nc_utils.chop_edges(x, xlen, ylen)`

Chope the edges of a firing rate map if they are not visited at ll or with zero firing rate

**Parameters**

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Matrix of firing rate
- **xlen** (*int*) – Maximum length of the x-axis
- **ylen** (*int*) – Maximum length of the y-axis

**Returns**

- **low\_ind** (*list of int*) – Index of low end of valid edges
- **high\_end** – Index of high end of valid edges
- **y** (*ndarray*) – Chopped firing map

`neurochat.nc_utils.corr_coeff(x1, x2)`

Correlation coefficient between two numeric series or two signals.

**Parameters** **x2** (*x1*,) – Input numeric array or signals

**Returns** Correlation coefficient of input arrays

**Return type** float

`neurochat.nc_utils.extrema(x, mincap=None, maxcap=None)`

Finds the extrema in a numeric array or a signal

**Parameters**

- **mincap** – Maximum value for the minima
- **maxcap** – Minimum value for the maxima

**Returns**

- **xmax** (*ndarray*) – Maxima values
- **imax** (*ndarray*) – Maxima indices
- **xmin** (*ndarray*) – Minima values
- **imin** (*ndarray*) – Minima indices

`neurochat.nc_utils.fft_psd(x, Fs, nfft=None, side='one', ptype='psd')`

Calculates the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) of a signal.

**Parameters**

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Input signal
- **Fs** – Sampling frequency
- **nfft** (*int*) – Number of FFT points
- **side** (*str*) – ‘one’-sided or ‘two’-sided FFT
- **ptype** (*str*) – Calculates power-spectral density if set to ‘psd’

**Returns**

- **x\_fft** (*ndarray*) – FFT of input
- **f** (*ndarray*) – FFt frequency

`neurochat.nc_utils.find(X, n=None, direction='all')`

Finds the non-zero entries of a signal or array.

**Parameters**

- **x** (*ndarray or list*) – Array or list of numbers whose non-zero entries need to find out

- **n** (*int*) – Number of such entries
- **direction** (*str*) – If ‘all’, all entries of length n are returned. If ‘first’, first n entries are returned. If ‘last’, last n entruess are returned.

**Returns** Indices of non-zero entries.

**Return type** ndarray

`neurochat.nc_utils.find2d(X, n=None)`

Finds the non-zero entries of a matrix.

**Parameters**

- **X** (*ndarray*) – Matrix whose non-zero entries need to find out
- **n** (*int*) – Number of such entries

**Returns**

- *ndarray* – x-indices of non-zero entries.
- *ndarray* – y-indices of non-zero entries.

`neurochat.nc_utils.find_chunk(x)`

Finds size and indeices of chunks of non-zero segments in an array

**Parameters** **x** (*ndarray*) – Inout array whose non-zero chunks are to be explored

**Returns**

- **segsz** (*ndarray*) – Lengths of non-zero chunks
- **segin** (*ndarray*) – Indices of non-zero chunks

`neurochat.nc_utils.hellinger(X1, X2)`

Calculates Hellinger distance between two distributions.

**Parameters** **X2** (*X1,* ) – Distributions under consideration

**Returns** **d** – Calculated Hellinger distance

**Return type** float

`neurochat.nc_utils.histogram(x, bins)`

Calculates the histogram count of input array

**Parameters**

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Array whose histogram needs to be calculated
- **bins** – Number of histogram bins

**Returns**

- *ndarray* – Histogram count
- *ndarray* – Histogram bins(lower edges)

`neurochat.nc_utils.histogram2d(y, x, ybins, xbins)`

Calculates the joint histogram count of two arrays

**Parameters**

- **x** (*y,* ) – Arrays whose histogram needs to be calculated
- **ybins** – Number of histogram bins in y-axis
- **xbins** – Number of histogram bins in x-axis

**Returns**

- *ndarray* – Histogram count
- *ndarray* – Histogram bins in x-axis (lower edges)

- *ndarray* – Histogram bins in y-axis (lowers edges)

`neurochat.nc_utils.linfit(X, Y, getPartial=False)`

Calculates the linear regression coefficients in least-square sense.

#### Parameters

- **X** (*ndarray*) – Matrix with input variables or factors (num\_dim X num\_obs)
- **Y** (*ndarray*) – Array of observation data
- **getPartial** (*bool*) – Get the partial correlation coefficients if ‘True’

**Returns** `_results` – Dictionary with results of least-square optimization of linear regression

**Return type** dict

`neurochat.nc_utils.nxl_write(file_name, data_frame, sheet_name='Sheet1', startRow=0, startColumn=0)`

Write Pandas DataFrame to excel file. It is a wrapper for Pandas.ExcelWriter()

#### Parameters

- **filename** (*str*) – Name of the output file
- **data\_frame** (*pandas.DataFrame*) – DataFrame to export
- **sheet\_name** (*str*) – Sheet name of the Excel file where the data is written
- **startRow** (*int*) – Which row in the file the data writing should start
- **startColumn** (*int*) – Which column in the file the data writing should start

**Returns**

**Return type** None

`neurochat.nc_utils.residual_stat(y, y_fit, p)`

Calculates the goodness of fit and other residual statistics between observed and fitted values from a model

#### Parameters

- **y** (*ndarray*) – Observed data
- **y\_fit** (*ndarray*) – Fitted data to a linear model
- **p** (*int*) – Model order

**Returns** `_results` – Dictionary of residual statistics

**Return type** dict

`neurochat.nc_utils.rot_2d(x, theta)`

Rotates a firing map by a specified angle

#### Parameters

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Matrix of firing rate map
- **theta** – Angle of rotation in theta

**Returns** Rotated matrix

**Return type** ndarray

`neurochat.nc_utils.smooth_1d(x, filtype='b', filsize=5, **kwargs)`

Filters a 1D array or signal.

#### Parameters

- **x** (*ndarray*) – Array or signal to be filtered. If matrix, each column or row is filtered individually depending on ‘dir’ parameter that takes either ‘0’ for along-column and ‘1’ for along-row filtering.
- **filtype** (*str*) – ‘b’ for moving average or box filter. ‘g’ for Gaussian filter

- **filtsize** – Box size for box filter and sigma for Gaussian filter

**Returns** Filtered data

**Return type** ndarray

```
neurochat.nc_utils.smooth_2d(x, filtype='b', filtsize=5)
```

Filters a 2D array or signal.

**Parameters**

- **x** (ndarray) – Matrix to be filtered
- **filtype** (str) – ‘b’ for moving average or box filter. ‘g’ for Gaussian filter
- **filtsize** – Box size for box filter and sigma for Gaussian filter

**Returns** Filtered matrix

**Return type** smoothX





**MODULE CONTENTS**



## PYTHON MODULE INDEX

### n

- neurochat, 101
- neurochat.nc\_base, 1
- neurochat.nc\_circular, 7
- neurochat.nc\_clust, 11
- neurochat.nc\_config, 19
- neurochat.nc\_control, 25
- neurochat.nc\_data, 29
- neurochat.nc\_defaults, 39
- neurochat.nc\_event, 41
- neurochat.nc\_hdf, 45
- neurochat.nc\_lfp, 49
- neurochat.nc\_plot, 55
- neurochat.nc\_spatial, 61
- neurochat.nc\_spike, 71
- neurochat.nc\_ui, 77
- neurochat.nc\_uigetfiles, 83
- neurochat.nc\_uimerge, 87
- neurochat.nc\_uiutils, 89
- neurochat.nc\_utils, 95