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Nengo

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Resource Information

URL: <http://nengo.ca>

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Description: A software package for modelling large networks of neurons (typically hundreds or thousands), using spiking point-neuron models. Nengo is designed around the neural engineering framework (NEF). This is a mathematical framework that describes how neurons interact to represent information, perform computations, and behave dynamically. This framework has been used to develop sophisticated models of spatial working memory, probabilistic sound localization, and lamprey locomotion, among others. Nengo makes it easy for beginners to develop models using the NEF. If you accept defaults for spiking models, tuning curves, firing rates, etc. then you can have a rough approximation of a complex system assembled and running in minutes. Nengo also makes it easy for experts to do advanced work with the NEF. The design carefully encapsulates separable aspects of model behaviour, so that it is highly customizable and easy to extend.

Synonyms: Nengo

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for Nengo.

No alerts have been found for Nengo.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 12 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [nidm-terms](#) .

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