

# Symposium and Advanced Course on Computational Psychiatry and Ageing Research

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## A Computational Model of Mood and Future Prospects

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How does knowledge of your future prospects affect mood?

How does knowledge of your future prospects affect mood in different contexts?





Replication of Happiness Model with a new task structure (N = 38)

Reward Prediction Error (Outcome – Expected Value)



\*\*\* p < .001, \*\*p < .01, \*p < .05

Parameterising influence of Future Prospects on Mood

$$Happiness_{t} = w_{\text{EV}} \sum_{j=1}^{t} \gamma^{t-j} EV_{j} + w_{RPE} \sum_{j=1}^{t} \gamma^{t-j} RPE_{j} + w_{\text{CO}} \left| \frac{1}{2} + w_{\text{CO}} \right| = 0$$



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#### Increased Anhedonia associated with Future Bias when performing Loss Trials



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### Future Prospects Task Gamified for Smartphone Platform





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### Future Prospects modulates mood different depending on valence of the current context.

#### **Next Steps:**

How are risky decisions about gains and losses affected by future prospects?

How are risky decisions about gains and losses affected by time of day?





