Introduction to continuous-time movement modeling for animal tracking data



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Animal tracking datasets often come with substantial autocorrelation and location error that render classical analyses invalid and cause differential biases. Continuous-time stochasticprocess methods offer a solution to these challenges.

This workshop will provide beginners with an introduction to important movement ecology concepts, as well as hands-on experience using the award-winning "continuous-time movement modeling" (*ctmm*) **R** package to apply advanced statistical methods to tracking data.

Participants will learn how to:

- Fit continuous-time movement models,
- Interpret model parameters,
- Perform home-range analysis,
- Estimate habitat suitability,
- Perform path reconstruction.

