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Emotions as Embodied Action-Oriented Representations

In this talk I will present my approach that considers emotions to be embodied, action-oriented representations that are about affordances. I will offer some evidence for emotions being embodied, and distance my approach from competing theories such as anti-representationalist enactive approaches. Furthermore, I will discuss the objection that a representationalist approach that takes emotions to be about core relational themes cannot account for the nature, function and characteristic phenomenology of concrete instantiations of emotions as they occur in our everyday emotional lives.