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Convert Between fmridata and oro.nifti

Convert Between fmridata and oro.nifti Objects

# Description

NIfTI data can be converted between fmridata S3 objects (from the fmri package) and nifti S4 objects.

# Usage

```
oro2fmri(from, value = NULL, level = 0.75, mask=NULL, setmask = TRUE)
fmri2oro(from, value = NULL, verbose = FALSE, reorient = FALSE,
         call = NULL)
```

### **Arguments**

from	is the object to be converted.
value	NULL
level	is the quantile level defining the mask.
mask	array or nifti-object containing the mask. If set this replaces the mask defined by argument level.
setmask	is a logical variable (default = TRUE), whether to define a suitable mask based on level.
verbose	is a logical variable (default = FALSE) that allows text-based feedback during execution of the function.
reorient	is a logical variable (default = TRUE) that enforces Qform/Sform transformations.
call	keeps track of the current function call for use in the NIfTI extension.

# **Details**

These functions enhance the capabilities of fmri by allowing the exchange of data objects between nifti and fmridata classes.

# Value

The function oro2fmri produces an S3 object of class fmridata. The function fmri2oro produces an S4 object of class nifti.

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### See Also

read.NIFTI

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# **Description**

This functions cuts a region-of-interest (ROI) from input data.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

data	Object of class fmridata.
xind	vector of roi-indices for first data index
yind	vector of roi-indices for second data index
zind	vector of roi-indices for third data index
tind	vector of roi-indices for 4th data index

# **Details**

Cut a region of interest from frmidata.

# Value

Corresponding cutted fmridata object.

# Author(s)

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### See Also

```
read.AFNI, read.ANALYZE, read.NIFTI
```

# **Examples**

```
##--- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do help(data=index) for the standard data sets.
```

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Extract data or residuals from a fmridata object

# Description

The function extracts data stored as raw within an object of class 'fmridata'.

# Usage

```
extractData(z, what = "data", maskOnly = FALSE)
expandfMRI(z)
condensefMRI(z, mask)
```

# **Arguments**

z an object of class 'fmridata' what either "data" or "residuals".

maskOnly logical: if TRUE only values within the brain mask will be returned.

mask logical brain mask

### **Details**

The function extractData extracts data stored as raw within an object of class 'fmridata'. Functions expandfMRI and condensefMRI change the way data and residuals are stored between full 3D data and data within a brain mask. condensefMRI can also be used to set a more restrictive brain mask.

# Value

In case of function extractData an array of dimension data\$dim containing either the fmri-data or residuals. The other two functions return an object of class 'fmridata'.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

```
fmri.lm
```

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Cluster thresholding.

# **Description**

Detection of activated regions using cluster thresholding.

# Usage

```
fmri.cluster(spm, alpha = 0.05, ncmin = 2, minimum.signal = 0)
```

# **Arguments**

spm fmrispm object

alpha multiple test (over volume and cluster sizes) adjusted significance level used for

thresholds.

ncmin minimal cluster size used. An activation is detected if for any clustersize in

nvmin: 20 the size specific threshold is exceeded.

minimum.signal allows to specify a (positive) minimum value for detected signals. If mini-

mum.signal >0 the thresholds are to conservative, this case needs further im-

provements.

# Details

Approximate thresholds for the existence of a cluster with mean t-statistics exceeding a 1-beta threshold k\_{nc} for cluster size nc are based on a simulation study under the hypothesis and adjusted for both degrees of freedom, number of voxel in mask and spatial correlation. beta is choosen such that under the hypothesis the combined (over cluster sizes ncmin: 20) test has approximate significance level alpha.

# Value

Object with class attributes "fmripvalue" and "fmridata"

pvalue p-values of voxelwise t-statistics for voxel that were detected for any cluster

size, a value of 1 otherwise.

weights voxelsize ratio dim data dimension

hrf expected BOLD response for contrast (single stimulus only)

### Author(s)

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### See Also

```
fmri.lm, fmri.pvalue, fmri.searchlight
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### **Examples**

```
## Not run: fmri.cluster(fmrispmobj)
```

fmri.design

Linear Model for FMRI Data

# Description

Return a design matrix for a linear model with given stimuli and possible polynomial drift terms.

# Usage

```
fmri.design(stimulus, order = 2, cef = NULL, verbose = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

stimulus matrix containing expected BOLD response(s) for the linear model as columns

or list of expected BOLD responses containing matrices of dimension scans, number

of slices as returned by function fmri.stimulus.

order of the polynomial drift terms

cef confounding effects verbose Report more if TRUE

### **Details**

The stimuli given in stimulus are used as first columns in the design matrix.

The order of the polynomial drift terms is given by order, which defaults to 2.

Confounding effects can be included in a matrix cef.

The polynomials are defined orthogonal to the stimuli given in stimulus.

#### Value

design matrix of the linear model

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# References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K.(2007). fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

### See Also

```
fmri.stimulus, fmri.lm
```

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# **Examples**

```
# Example 1
hrf <- fmri.stimulus(107, c(18, 48, 78), 15, 2)
z <- fmri.design(hrf, 2)
par(mfrow=c(2, 2))
for (i in 1:4) plot(z[, i], type="l")</pre>
```

fmri.designG

Design matrix for fMRI group analysis

### **Description**

This function returns a design matrix for multi-subject fMRI data to fit a Linear Mixed-effects Model (one-stage procedure) with given stimuli, polynomial drift terms and a set of known population parameters.

## Usage

```
fmri.designG(hrf, subj = 1, runs = 1, group = NULL, XG = NULL)
```

# Arguments

hrf	vector or matrix containing expected BOLD response(s) for one session, typically a fmri.stimulus object.
subj	number of subjects in the study.
runs	number of repeated measures within subjects.
group	optional vector to define groups. It is expected one value per subject. A grouping factor can also be part of XG.
XG	optionally, a group-level design matrix of class "data.frame", which contains population parameters such as ages or gender corresponding to the subjects. It is expected one value per subject.

### **Details**

Based on the dimensionality of the hrf object, which provides the total number of scans (time-points) within each session, the entered number of subjects and repeated measures the auxiliary variables: "subj", "run", "scan" and "session" are generated as first part of the returned design matrix.

If no group argument is specified, only one population will be assumed; otherwise group labels are replicated within sessions of the same subject.

First a design matrix for a single run is created by calling: x <-fmri.design(hrf,order = 2). Hence the polynomial drift terms are defined orthogonal to the stimuli (see fmri.design). This matrix is replicated blockwise to all sessions assuming the same experimental design for all runs. The first drift term, a column of ones, is called "drift0" and models an intercept.

If given, further subject characteristics are filled in the design matrix.

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# Value

A design matrix as a data frame, which contains the following variables:

subj	consecutive subject number: 1 to subj specified as factor
run	consecutive run number within the subjects: 1 to runs specified as factor
scan	consecutive scan number: 1 to T within each session
session	consecutive experiment number: 1 to (subj*runs) specified as factor
group	grouping variable specified as factor, one group by default
hrf, hrf2,	replicated expected BOLD-response(s)
drift0, drift1,	<pre>drift2 replicated polynomial drift terms created with fmri.design(hrf,order = 2) orthogonal to the stimuli given in hrf</pre>

further expanded between-subject factors and covariates

# Author(s)

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# References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K.(2007). fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

# See Also

```
fmri.stimulus, fmri.design, fmri.lmePar
```

# **Examples**

```
subj <- 6
runs <- 1
scans <- 121
times <- c(12, 48, 84, 120, 156, 192, 228, 264)
duration <- 24
tr <- 2.5

hrf <- fmri.stimulus(scans, times, duration, tr, times = TRUE)
x.group <- fmri.designG(hrf, subj = subj, runs = runs)
# View(x.group)</pre>
```

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Detrend fMRI time series

# **Description**

Detrend fMRI dataset with a polynomial of given degree

### Usage

```
fmri.detrend(data, degree = 1, nuisance=NULL, accoef = 0)
```

### **Arguments**

data fMRI dataset of class "fmridata"

degree Degree of the polynomial used to detrend the data. defaults to 1 (linear trends).

nuisance Matrix of additional nuisance parameters to regree against.

accoef Coefficient of AR(1) model used for prewhitening. default 0.

### **Details**

The function can be used to detrend the time series of an fMRI dataset data (of class "fmridata" using polynomials. If the argument degree is larger than 0 (default: 1) the polynomial trends up to the given degree are removed from the data. If the argument accoef is larger than 0 (default: 0) prewhitening using an AR(1) model is performed.

#### Value

Detrended data object of class "fmridata".

# Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007). fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

# See Also

```
fmri.lm
```

#### **Examples**

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Linear Model for fMRI data

### **Description**

Estimate the parameters and variances in a linear model.

# Usage

### **Arguments**

ds	Data object of class "fmridata"
Z	Designmatrix specifying the expected BOLD response(s) and additional components for trend and other effects. This can either be a matrix (in case that no slice timing is required at this stage) or an 3D - array with 3rd dimension corresponding to the slice number. It can be interpreted as stacked array of of design matrices for the individual slices.
mask	Array of dimensionality of the data describing a (brain) mask the computation should be restricted to. The default is the mask given with the data.
actype	String describing the type of handling autocorrelation of time series. One of "smooth", "nonac", "ac", "accalc".
contrast	Contrast vector for the covariates.
verbose	Verbose mode, default is FALSE.

#### **Details**

This function performs parameter estimation in the linear model. It implements a two step procedure. After primary estimation of the parameters in the first step residuals are obtained. If actype %in% c("ac", "accalc", "smooth") an AR(1) model is fitted, in each voxel, to the time series of residuals. The estimated AR-coefficients are corrected for bias. If actype=="smooth" the estimated AR-coefficients are spatially smoothed. If actype %in% c("ac", "smooth") the linear model is pre-withened using the estimated (and possibly smoothed) AR-coefficients. Parameter and variance estimates are then obtained from the pre-withened data. The argument keep describes the amount of data which is returned. The estimated effects

$$\tilde{\gamma}_i = C^T \tilde{\beta}_i$$

and their estimated variances are returned as well as the residuals and temporal autocorrelation. cbeta then contains the corresponding parameter estimates and thus is a vector of corresponding length in each voxel.

If z is an 3-dimensional array the third component is assumed to code the design matrix information for the corresponding slice, i.e. design matrices to differ with respect to slice timing effects. Note

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that if motion correction needs to be performed in preprocessing slice time correction may be better carried out on the data before image registration using, e.g., function slicetiming.

If warning "Local smoothness characterized by large bandwidth" occurs, check scorr elements. If correlation drops with lag towards zero, data has been pre-smoothed. Adaptive smoothing the SPM can then only be of limited use. If correlation does not go to zero, check the residuals of the linear model for unexplained structure (spin saturation in first scans? discard them!).

#### Value

object with class attributes "fmrispm" and "fmridata"

beta estimated parameters

cbeta estimated contrast of parameters

var estimated variance of the contrast of parameters.

varm covariance matrix of the parameters given by vvector

res raw (integer size 2) vector containing residuals of the estimated linear model up

to scale factor resscale.

resscale resscale\*extractData(object, "residuals") are the residuals.

dim dimension of the data cube and residuals arfactor estimated autocorrelation parameter

rxyz array of smoothness from estimated correlation for each voxel in resel space (for

analysis without smoothing)

scorr array of spatial correlations with maximal lags 5, 5, 3 in x,y and z-direction.

bw vector of bandwidths (in FWHM) corresponding to the spatial correlation within

the data.

weights ratio of voxel dimensions

vwghts ratio of estimated variances for the stimululi given by vvector

mask head mask.

df Degrees of freedom for t-statistics. hrf expected BOLD response for contrast

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### References

Worsley, K.J. (2005). Spatial smoothing of autocorrelations to control the degrees of freedom in fMRI analysis. NeuroImage, 26:635-641.

Worsley, K.J., Liao, C., Aston, J., Petre, V., Duncan, G.H., Morales, F., Evans, A.C. (2002). A general statistical analysis for fMRI data. NeuroImage, 15:1-15.

Tabelow, K., Polzehl, J., Voss, H.U., and Spokoiny, V. (2006). *Analysing fMRI experiments with structure adaptive smoothing procedures*, NeuroImage, 33:55-62.

#### See Also

```
fmri.design, fmri.stimulus
```

### **Examples**

fmri.lmePar

Linear Mixed-effects Model for fMRI data

# **Description**

Group maps are directly estimated from the BOLD time series data of all subjects using 1me from R package nlme to fit a Linear Mixed-effects Model with temporally correlated and heteroscedastic within-subject errors. Voxel-wise regression analysis is accelerated by optional parallel processing using R package parallel.

### Usage

### **Arguments**

bold

a large 4D-Array with the aggregated fMRI data of all subjects that were previously registered to a common brain atlas. Be careful with the assembly of this array, the order of the data sets has to be compatible with the design matrix: "z". If not the whole brain but a region is analyzed, vectors with region-indices can be preserved by adding as attributes (e.g. attr(bold, "xind") <-xind).

z

a design matrix for a multi-subject and/or multi-session fMRI-study of class "data.frame" specifying the expected BOLD response(s) and additional components for trend and other effects. Typically a fmri.designG object. This data frame contains all variables named in the model. There are some indispensable variables: "group", "subj", "session" and "run", which define the different strata. That information will be used for setting up the residual variance structure.

fixed

optionally, a one-sided linear formula describing the fixed-effects part of the model. Default settings are: fixed <-~ 0 + hrf + session + drift1:session + drift2:session in case of one detected group, and the same but "hrf" replaced with "hrf:group" if two group levels in z are found. Since an intercept would be a linear combination of the session factor-variable modeling session-specific intercepts, it is excluded.

random

optionally, a one-sided formula of the form  $\sim x1 + \ldots + xn \mid g1/\ldots/gm$ , with  $\sim x1 + \ldots + xn$  specifying the model for the random effects and  $g1/\ldots/gm$  the grouping structure.

Default is always the basic model without covariates, i.e.

random <-~ 0 + hrf|subj if no repeated measures in z are found (nlevels(z\$run)==1),

random <-~ 0 + hrf|subj/session if repeated measures and

random <-~ 0 + hrf|session if repeated measures but one subject only.

In case of two independent groups:

random <-list(subj = pdDiag(~ 0 + hrf:group)) is used.</pre>

mask

if available, a logical 3D-Array of dimensionality of the data (without time component) describing a brain mask. The computation is restricted to the selected voxels.

ac

if available, a numeric 3D-Array of dimensionality of the data (without time component) with spatially smoothed autocorrelation parameters should be used in the AR(1) models fitted in each voxel, e.g. locally estimated and smoothed AR(1)-coefficients from fmri.lm applied to the first subject. Alternatively, a global approach with uniform value can be used. In this case enter a number between 0 and 1. Default is 0.3 applied to all voxels.

vtype

a character string choosing the residual variance model. If "equal", homoscedastic variance across subjects is assumed setting weights argument in function lme() to zero, whereas "individual" allows different within-subject variances. Default method is "individual" that means subject-specific error variances using formula: weights <-varIdent(form =~ 1|subj).

cluster

number of threads for parallel processing, which is limited to available multicore CPUs. If you do not know your CPUs, try: detectCores() from **parallel** package. Presets are 2 threads. cluster = 1 does not use **parallel** package.

wghts

a vector of length 3 specifying ratio of voxel dimensions. Isotropic voxels (e.g. MNI-space) are set as default.

### **Details**

fmri.lmePar() fits the configured Linear Mixed-effects Model separately at each voxel and extracts estimated BOLD contrasts, corresponding squared standard errors and degrees of freedom as well as the residuals from resulting lme() objects to produce a statistical parametric map (SPM) for the group(s). Voxel-by-voxel analysis is performed by either the function apply or parApply from parallel package, which walks through the bold array.

If one group is analyzed, from each fitted model the first fixed-effects coefficient and corresponding parameters are stored in results object. This should be the first specified predictor in the fixed-effects part of the model (verify the attribute of "df" in returned object). However, in two-sample case this

principle does not work. The order changes, estimated session-specific intercepts now comes first and the number of these coefficients is not fixed. Therefore in current version it has explicitly been looked for the coefficient names: "hrf:group1" and "hrf:group2". Available functions within the nlme package to extract estimated values from lme() objects do not operate at contrast matrices.

Spatial correlation among voxels, e.g. through the activation of nearby voxels, is ignored at this stage, but corrects for it, when random field theory define a threshold for significant activation at inference stage.

It is recommended to check your model syntax and residuals choosing some distinct voxels before running the model in loop (see Example, step 1); especially for more advanced designs! Error handling default is to stop if one of the threads produces an error. When this occurs, the output will be lost from any voxel, where the model has fitted successfully.

### Value

An object of class "fmrispm" and "fmridata", basically a list with components:

cbeta, cbeta2 estimated BOLD contrast parameters separated for the groups 1 and 2

var, var2 estimated variance of the contrast parameters separated for the groups 1 and 2

mask brain mask

res, res2 raw (integer size 2) vector containing residuals of the estimated Linear Mixed-

effects Model up to scale factor resscale separated for the groups 1 and 2

resscale, resscale2

resscale\*extractData(object, "residuals") are the residuals of group 1

and group 2 respectively.

arfactor autocorrelation parameters used in AR(1)-model

rxyz, rxyz2 array of smoothness from estimated correlation for each voxel in resel space

separated for the groups 1 and 2 (for analysis without smoothing)

scorr, scorr2 array of spatial correlations with maximal lags 5, 5, 3 in x, y and z-direction

separated for the groups 1 and 2

bw, bw2 vector of bandwidths (in FWHM) corresponding to the spatial correlation within

the data separated for the groups 1 and 2

weights ratio of voxel dimensions

dim, dim2 dimension of the data cube and residuals separated for the groups 1 and 2

df, df2 degrees of freedom for t-statistics reported in lme() objects for the extracted

regression coefficients separated for the groups 1 and 2. The name of the coeffi-

cient belonging to this df-value appears as attribute.

subjects number of subjects in the study

subj.runs number of repeated measures within subjects sessions number of total sessions that were analyzed

groups number of groups in the study

fixedModel fixed-effects model randomModel random-effects model

VarModel assumption about the subject error variances

#### Note

Maybe the computing power is insufficient to carry out a whole brain analysis. You have two opportunities: either select and analyze a certain brain area or switch to a two-stage model.

**Current Limitations** 

The function cannot handle experimental designs with:

- more than two independent groups
- more than one stimulus (task)
- paired samples with varying tasks
- · user defined contrasts

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#### References

Pinheiro J. and Bates D. (2000). Mixed-Effects Models in S and S-Plus. Springer.

Pinheiro J., Bates D., DebRoy S., Sarkar D. and the R Core team (2014). *nlme: Linear and Nonlinear Mixed Effects Models* R package version 3.1-117.

#### See Also

```
lme, fmri.designG, fmri.design, fmri.stimulus, fmri.metaPar
```

# **Examples**

```
class(ds1) <- class(ds2) <- class(ds3) <- class(ds4) <- "fmridata"</pre>
## Construct a design matrix for a multi-subject study
subj <- 4
runs <- 1
z <-fmri.designG(hrf, subj = subj, runs = runs)</pre>
## Assembly of the aggregated BOLD-Array
Bold <- array(0, dim = c(dx,dy,dz,subj*runs*dt))
Bold[1:dx,1:dy,1:dz,1:(dt*1)] \leftarrow extractData(ds1)
Bold[1:dx,1:dy,1:dz,(dt*1+1):(dt*2)] \leftarrow extractData(ds2)
Bold[1:dx,1:dy,1:dz,(dt*2+1):(dt*3)] \leftarrow extractData(ds3)
Bold[1:dx,1:dy,1:dz,(dt*3+1):(dt*4)] \leftarrow extractData(ds4)
## Step 1: Check the model
y <- Bold[16, 16, 16, ] # choose one voxel
M1.1 <- lme(fixed = y \sim 0 + hrf + session + drift1:session + drift2:session,
            random = ~0 + hrf|subj,
            correlation = corAR1(value = 0.3, form = ~ 1|subj/session, fixed=TRUE),
            weights = varIdent(form =~ 1|subj),
            method ="REML",
            control = lmeControl(rel.tol=1e-6, returnObject = TRUE),
            data = z)
summary(M1.1)
# Residual plots
plot(M1.1, resid(.,type = "response") ~ scan|subj)
qqnorm(M1.1, \sim resid(.,type = "normalized")|subj, abline = c(0,1))
# Testing the assumption of homoscedasticity
M1.2 <- update(M1.1, weights = NULL, data = z)
anova(M1.2, M1.1)
# Model fit: observed and fitted values
fitted.values <- fitted(M1.1)</pre>
plot(y[1:dt], type="l", main = "Subject 1", xlab = "scan",
     ylab = "BOLD-signal", ylim = c(-5,5))
lines(fitted.values[names(fitted.values)==1],lty=1,lwd=2)
plot(y[(dt+1):(2*dt)], type="l", main = "Subject 2", xlab = "scan",
     ylab = "BOLD-signal", ylim = c(-5,5))
lines(fitted.values[names(fitted.values)==2],lty=1,lwd=2)
plot(y[(2*dt+1):(3*dt)], type="l", main = "Subject 3", xlab = "scan",
     ylab = "BOLD-signal", ylim = c(-5,5))
lines(fitted.values[names(fitted.values)==3],lty=1,lwd=2)
plot(y[(3*dt+1):(4*dt)], type="l", main = "Subject 4", xlab = "scan",
     ylab = "BOLD-signal", ylim = c(-5,5))
lines(fitted.values[names(fitted.values)==4],lty=1,lwd=2)
## Step 2: Estimate a group map
## without parallelizing
```

```
spm.group1a <- fmri.lmePar(Bold, z, mask = mask, cluster = 1)
# same with 4 parallel threads
spm.group1b <- fmri.lmePar(Bold, z, mask = mask, cluster = 4)
## Example for two independent groups
group <- c(1,1,4,4)
z2 <- fmri.designG(hrf, subj = subj, runs = runs, group = group)
spm.group2 <- fmri.lmePar(Bold, z2, mask = mask, cluster = 4)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

fmri.metaPar

Linear Mixed-effects Meta-Analysis model for fMRI data

### **Description**

Group maps are estimated from BOLD effect estimates and their variances previously determined for each subject. The function rma.uni from R package metafor is used to fit mixed-effects meta-analytic models at group level. Voxel-wise regression analysis is accelerated by optional parallel processing using R package parallel.

### Usage

```
fmri.metaPar(Cbold, Vbold, XG = NULL, model = NULL, method = "REML", weighted = TRUE, knha = FALSE, mask = NULL, cluster = 2, wghts = c(1, 1, 1))
```

### **Arguments**

Cbold	a 4D-Array with the aggregated individual BOLD contrast estimates in standard
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space, e.g. all cbeta maps obtained from single-session analysis with fmri.lm may put together. Dimensions 1 to 3 define the voxel space, dimension 4 indicates a subject. If not the whole brain but a region is analyzed, vectors with region-indices can be preserved by adding as attributes (e.g. attr(Cbold, "xind")

<-xind).

Vbold a 4D-Array with the aggregated variance estimates for the contrast parameters

in Cbold, e.g. all var maps obtained from single-session analysis with fmri.lm may put together. Dimensions 1 to 3 define the voxel space, dimension 4 indi-

cates a subject.

XG optionally, a group-level design matrix of class "data.frame" to include one or

more moderators in the model. By default, an intercept is added to the model.

model optionally, a one-sided formula of the form: model <-~ mod1 + mod2 + mod3 de-

scribing a model with moderator variables. Adding "-1" removes the intercept

term.

method a character string specifying whether a fixed- (method = "FE") or a random/mixed-

effects model (method = "REML", default) should be fitted. Further estimators for random/mixed-effects models are available, see documentation of rma.uni

function for more details.

weighted logical indicating whether weighted (weighted = TRUE, default) or unweighted

estimation should be used to fit the model.

knha logical specifying whether the method by Knapp and Hartung (2003) should

be used for adjusting standard errors of the estimated coefficients (default is FALSE). The Knapp and Hartung adjustment is only meant to be used in the

context of random- or mixed-effects models.

mask if available, a logical 3D-Array of dimensionality of the data (without 4th sub-

ject component) describing a brain mask. The computation is restricted to the

selected voxels.

cluster number of threads for parallel processing, which is limited to available multi-

core CPUs. If you do not know your CPUs, try: detectCores() from **parallel** package. Presets are 2 threads. cluster = 1 does not use **parallel** package.

wghts a vector of length 3 specifying ratio of voxel dimensions. Isotropic voxels (e.g.

MNI-space) are set as default.

#### **Details**

fmri.metaPar() fits the configured linear mixed-effects meta-analytic (MEMA) model separately at each voxel and extracts the first regression coefficient (usually the overall group mean), corresponding squared standard errors and degrees of freedom as well as the residuals from resulting rma.uni() objects, to obtain a statistical parametric map (SPM) for the group. Voxel-by-voxel analysis is performed by either the function apply or parApply from **parallel** package, which walks through the Cbold array.

This two-stage approach reduces the computational burden of fitting a full linear mixed-effects (LME) model, fmri.lmePar would do. It assumes first level design is same across subjects and normally distributed not necessarily homogeneous within-subject errors. Warping to standard space has been done before first-stage analyses are carried out. Either no masking or a uniform brain mask should be applied at individual subject analysis level, to avoid loss of information at group level along the edges.

At the second stage, observed individual BOLD effects from each study are combined in a metaanalytic model. There is the opportunity of weighting the fMRI studies by the precision of their respective effect estimate to take account of first level residual heterogeneity (weighted = TRUE). This is how to deal with intra-subject variability. The REML estimate of cross-subject variability (tau-squared) assumes that each of these observations is drawn independently from the same Gaussian distribution. Since correlation structures cannot be modeled, multi-subject fMRI studies with repeated measures cannot be analyzed in this way.

Spatial correlation among voxels, e.g. through the activation of nearby voxels, is ignored at this stage, but corrects for it, when random field theory define a threshold for significant activation at inference stage.

It is recommended to check your model syntax and residuals choosing some distinct voxels before running the model in loop (see Example). Error handling default is to stop if one of the threads produces an error. When this occurs, the output will be lost from any voxel, where the model has fitted successfully.

### Value

An object of class "fmrispm" and "fmridata", basically a list with components:

beta estimated regression coefficients

se estimated standard errors of the coefficients

cbeta estimated BOLD contrast parameters for the group. Always the first regression

coefficient is taken.

var estimated variance of the BOLD contrast parameters

mask brain mask

res raw (integer size 2) vector containing residuals of the estimated linear mixed-

effects meta-analytic model up to scale factor resscale

resscale resscale\*extractData(object, "residuals") are the residuals.

tau2 estimated amount of (residual) heterogeneity. Always 0 when method = "FE".

rxyz array of smoothness from estimated correlation for each voxel in resel space (for

analysis without smoothing).

scorr array of spatial correlations with maximal lags 5, 5, 3 in x, y and z-direction by vector of bandwidths (in FWHM) corresponding to the spatial correlation within

the data

weights ratio of voxel dimensions

dim dimension of the data cube and residuals df degrees of freedom for t-statistics, df = (n-p-1)

sessions number of observations entering the meta-analytic model, n

number of coefficients in the meta-analytic model (including the intercept, p+1) method estimator used to fit the meta-analytic model. In case of "FE", it is weighted or

unweighted least squares.

weighted estimation with inverse-variance weights

knha Knapp and Hartung adjustment
model meta-analytic regression model
cluster number of threads running in parallel

attr(\*, "design")

group-level design matrix

attr(\*,"approach")

two-stage estimation method

#### Note

Meta analyses tend to be less powerful for neuroimaging studies, because they only have as many degrees of freedom as number of subjects. If the number of subjects is very small, then it may be impossible to estimate the between-subject variance (tau-squared) with any precision. In this case the fixed effect model may be the only viable option. However, there is also the possibility of using a one-stage model, that includes the full time series data from all subjects and simultaneously estimates subject and group levels parameters (see fmri.lmePar). Although this approach is much more computer intensive, it has the advantage of higher degrees of freedom (> 100) at the end.

**Current Limitations** 

The function cannot handle:

- experimental designs with a within-subject (repeated measures) factor
- · paired samples with varying tasks, unless the contrast of the two conditions is used as input

### Author(s)

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#### See Also

```
rma.uni, fmri.lm, fmri.lmePar
```

# **Examples**

```
## Not run: ## Generate some fMRI data sets: noise + stimulus
dx <- dy <- dz <- 32
dt <- 107
hrf \leftarrow fmri.stimulus(dt, c(18, 48, 78), 15, 2)
stim <- matrix(hrf, nrow= dx*dy*dz, ncol=dt, byrow=TRUE)</pre>
mask <- array(FALSE, c(dx, dy, dz))</pre>
mask[12:22,12:22,12:22] <- TRUE
ds1 <- list(ttt=writeBin(1.0*rnorm(dx*dy*dz*dt) + as.vector(5*stim),
            raw(), 4), mask = mask, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, dt))
ds2 <- list(ttt=writeBin(1.7*rnorm(dx*dy*dz*dt) + as.vector(3*stim),
           raw(), 4), mask = mask, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, dt))
ds3 <- list(ttt=writeBin(0.8*rnorm(dx*dy*dz*dt) + as.vector(1*stim),
           raw(), 4), mask = mask, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, dt))
ds4 <- list(ttt=writeBin(1.2*rnorm(dx*dy*dz*dt) + as.vector(2*stim),</pre>
           raw(), 4), mask = mask, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, dt))
class(ds1) <- class(ds2) <- class(ds3) <- class(ds4) <- "fmridata"</pre>
## Stage 1: single-session regression analysis
x <- fmri.design(hrf, order=2)</pre>
spm.sub01 <- fmri.lm(ds1, x, mask, actype = "smooth", verbose = TRUE)</pre>
spm.sub02 <- fmri.lm(ds2, x, mask, actype = "smooth", verbose = TRUE)</pre>
spm.sub03 <- fmri.lm(ds3, x, mask, actype = "smooth", verbose = TRUE)</pre>
spm.sub04 <- fmri.lm(ds4, x, mask, actype = "smooth", verbose = TRUE)</pre>
## Store observed individual BOLD effects and their variance estimates
subj <- 4
Cbold \leftarrow array(0, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, subj))
Cbold[,,,1] \leftarrow spm.sub01$cbeta
```

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```
Cbold[,,,2] \leftarrow spm.sub02$cbeta
Cbold[,,,3] <- spm.sub03$cbeta</pre>
Cbold[,,,4] <- spm.sub04$cbeta</pre>
Vbold <- array(0, dim = c(dx, dy, dz, subj))
Vbold[,,,1] \leftarrow spm.sub01$var
Vbold[,,,2] \leftarrow spm.sub02$var
Vbold[,,,3] \leftarrow spm.sub03$var
Vbold[,,,4] \leftarrow spm.sub04$var
## Stage 2: Random-effects meta-regression analysis
## a) Check your model
library(metafor)
M1.1 <- rma.uni(Cbold[16,16,16, ],
                 Vbold[16,16,16, ],
                 method = "REML",
                 weighted = TRUE,
                 knha = TRUE,
                 verbose = TRUE,
                 control = list(stepadj=0.5, maxiter=2000, threshold=0.001))
# Control list contains convergence parameters later used
# at whole data cube. Values were adjusted to fMRI data.
summary(M1.1)
forest(M1.1)
qqnorm(M1.1)
## b) Estimate a group map
## without parallelizing
spm.group1a <- fmri.metaPar(Cbold, Vbold, knha = TRUE,</pre>
                              mask = mask, cluster = 1)
## same with 4 parallel threads
spm.group1b <- fmri.metaPar(Cbold, Vbold, knha = TRUE,</pre>
                              mask = mask, cluster = 4)
## End(Not run)
```

fmri.pvalue

P-values

### **Description**

Determine p-values.

### Usage

```
fmri.pvalue(spm, mode="basic", na.rm=FALSE, minimum.signal = 0, alpha= 0.05)
```

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# Arguments

spm fmrispm object

mode type of pvalue definition

na.rm specifies how NA's in the SPM are handled. NA's may occur in voxel

where the time series information did not allow for estimating parameters and their variances or where the time series information where constant over time. A high (1e19) value of the variance and a parameter of 0 are used to characterize NA's. If na.rm=TRUE the pvalue for the corresponding voxels is set to 1. Otehrwise pvalues are assigned according to the information found in the SPM

at the voxel.

minimum.signal allows to specify a (positive) minimum value for detected signals. If mini-

mum.signal >0 the thresholds are to conservative, this case needs further im-

provements.

alpha Significance level in case of mode="FDR"

#### **Details**

If only a contrast is given in spm, we simply use a t-statistic and define p-values according to random field theory for the resulting gaussian field (sufficiently large number of df - see ref.). If spm is a vector of length larger than one for each voxel, a chisq field is calculated and evaluated (see Worsley and Taylor (2006)). If delta is given, a cone statistics is used.

The parameter mode allows for different kinds of p-value calculation. mode="voxelwise" refers to voxelwise tests while mode="Bonferroni" adjusts the significance level for multiple testing. An alternative is mode="FDR" specifying signal detection by False Discovery Rate (FDR) with proportion of false positives level specified by alpha. The other choices apply results on excursion sets of random fields (Worsley 1994, Adler 2003) for smoothed SPM's. "basic" corresponds to a global definition of the resel counts based on the amount of smoothness achieved by an equivalent Gaussian filter. The propagation condition ensures, that under the hypothesis

$$\hat{\Theta} = 0$$

adaptive smoothing performs like a non adaptive filter with the same kernel function which justifies this approach. "local" corresponds to a more conservative setting, where the p-value is derived from the estimated local resel counts that has been achieved by adaptive smoothing. In contrast to "basic", "global" takes a global median to adjust for the randomness of the weighting scheme generated by adaptive smoothing. "global" and "local" are more conservative than "basic", that is, they generate sligthly larger p-values.

#### Value

Object with class attributes "fmripvalue" and "fmridata"

pvalue p-value. use with plot for thresholding.

weights voxelsize ratio data dimension

hrf expected BOLD response for contrast (single stimulus only)

alpha maximal pyalue as scale information

thresh actual threshold used

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#### Note

Unexpected side effects may occur if spm does not meet the requirements, especially if a parameter estimate vector of length greater than 2 through argument vvector in fmri.lm has been produced for every voxel.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

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#### See Also

```
fmri.lm, fmri.smooth, plot.fmridata, fmri.cluster, fmri.searchlight
```

### **Examples**

```
## Not run: fmri.pvalue(smoothresult)
```

fmri.searchlight

Searchlight signal detection

### **Description**

Detection of activated regions using searchlights.

# Usage

```
fmri.searchlight(spm, alpha = 0.05, radius, minimum.signal = 0,
   kind = c("abs", "squared"))
```

#### Arguments

spm fmrispm object

alpha multiple test (over volume) adjusted significance level.

radius radius of searchlight. Value needs to be larger or eaqual than 1.

minimum.signal allows to specify a (positive) minimum value for detected signals. If mini-

mum.signal >0 the thresholds are to conservative, this case needs further im-

provements.

kind Kind of statistics used for aggregation over search light region. "abs" speci-

fies averaging of absolute voxelwise t-statistics while "squared" corresponds

to averaging of squares of these statistics.

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### **Details**

The function computes mean statistics (depending on kind) over a searchlight region of radius radius. Approximate voxelwise p-values are determined with respect an empirical (simulated) distribution of the searchlight statistics under the null hypothesis a central t-distributed spm. Thresholding used FDR with rate alpha.

#### Value

Object with class attributes "fmripvalue" and "fmridata"

pvalue voxelwise p-value if exceeding FDR-critical value, 1 otherwise.

weights voxelsize ratio
dim data dimension

hrf expected BOLD response for contrast (single stimulus only)

### Author(s)

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#### References

Kriegeskorte, N.; Goebel, R. & Bandettini, P. (2006) *Information-based functional brain mapping*, PNAS 103:3863-3868.

# See Also

```
fmri.lm, fmri.pvalue, fmri.cluster
```

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: fmri.searchlight(fmrispmobj)
```

fmri.sgroupICA

Spatial group ICA for fmri

### **Description**

Combine ICA results from multiple runs or multiple subjects in group fMRI studies

### Usage

```
fmri.sgroupICA(icaobjlist, thresh = 0.75, minsize=2)
```

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# Arguments

icaobjlist List of results obtained by function fmri.sICA for a series of fmri data sets

(multiple runs or multiple subjects).

thresh threshold for cluster aggregation. Needs to be in (0,1).

minsize Minimal size of cluster to consider in IC aggregation. Needs to be larger than 1.

# **Details**

The fMRI time series need to be preprocessed and registered before thr ICA decomposition is performed.

The function employes a hierarchical clustering algorithm (complete linkage) on the combined set of spatial independent components obtained from the individual time series. A distance matrix is obtained from correlations of the independent component images. Aggregation of two components from the same fmri series is prevented in the algorithm.

### Value

An object of class "fmrigroupICA" with components

icacomp Mean IC's over cluster members for cluster of size larger or equal minsize

size Size of selected clusters

cl Number of selected clusters

cluster Cluster membership corresponding to thresh.

height Distance value at which the cluster was createt. Elements correspond to ele-

ments of cluster.

hdm Object returned by function hclust.

### Author(s)

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### References

F. Esposito et al (2005) Independent component analysis of fMRI group studies by self-organizing clustering, Neuroimage, pp. 193-205.

#### See Also

fmri.sICA, plot.fmrigroupICA, hclust

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fmri.sICA	Spacial ICA for fmri data	

# Description

Uses fastICA to perform spatial ICA on fMRI data.

# Usage

```
fmri.sICA(data, mask=NULL, ncomp=20,
   alg.typ=c("parallel","deflation"), fun=c("logcosh","exp"),
   alpha=1, detrend=TRUE, degree=2, nuisance= NULL, ssmooth=TRUE,
   tsmooth=TRUE, bwt=4, bws=8, unit=c("FWHM","SD"))
```

# **Arguments**

data	fMRI dataset of class "fmridata"
mask	Brain mask, if NULL then data\$mask is used.
ncomp	Number of ICA components to compute.
alg.typ	Alg. to be used in fastICA.
fun	Test functions to be used in fastICA.
alpha	Scale parameter in test functions, see fastICA.
detrend	Trend removal (polynomial)
degree	degree of polynomial trend
nuisance	Matrix of additional nuisance parameters to regress against.
ssmooth	Should spatial smoothing be used for variance reduction
tsmooth	Should temporal smoothing be be applied
bws	Bandwidth for spatial Gaussian kernel
bwt	Bandwidth for temporal Gaussian kernel
unit	Unit of bandwidth, either standard deviation (SD) of Full Width Half Maximum (FWHM).

### **Details**

If specified polynomial trends and effects due to nuisance parameters, e.g., motion parameters, are removed. If smooth==TRUE the resulting residual series is spatially smoothed using a Gaussian kernel with specified bandwidth. ICA components are the estimated using fastICA based on data within brain mask. The components of the result are related as XKW=scomp[mask,] and X=scomp[mask,]\*A.

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### Value

object of class "fmriICA" list with components

scomp 4D array with ICA component images. Last index varies over components.

X pre-processed data matrix
K pre-processed data matrix
W estimated un-mixing matrix
A estimated mixing matrix

mask Brain mask pixdim voxelsize

TR Repetition Time (TR)

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

```
plot.fmriICA,ICAfingerprint, fastICA
```

fmri.smooth

Smoothing Statistical Parametric Maps

# **Description**

Perform the adaptive weights smoothing procedure

# Usage

#### **Arguments**

spm object of class fmrispm

hmax maximum bandwidth to smooth

adaptation character, type of adaptation. If "none" adaptation is off and non-adaptive

kernel smoothing with 1kern and bandwidth hmax is used. Other values are "aws" for adaptive smoothing using an approximative correction term for spatial smoothness in the penalty (fast), "fullaws" for adaptive smoothing using variance estimates from smoothed residuals in the penalty (CPU-time about twice the time compared to adaptation="aws" and "segment" for a new approach

based on segmentation using multi-scale tests.

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1kern specifies the location kernel. Defaults to "Gaussian", other choices are

"Triangle" and "Plateau". Note that the location kernel is applied to (x-x\_j)^2/h^2, i.e. the use of "Triangle" corresponds to the Epanechnicov kernel in nonparametric kernel regression. "Plateau" specifies a kernel that is equal to 1 in the

interval (0,3), decays linearly in (.5,1) and is 0 for arguments larger than 1.

skern specifies the kernel for the statistical penalty. Defaults to "Plateau", the alternatives are "Triangle" and "Exp". "Plateau" specifies a kernel that is equal to 1 in the interval (0,.3), decays linearly in (.3,1) and is 0 for arguments larger than 1. 1kern="Plateau" and 1kern="Triangle" allow for much faster computation (saves up to 50% CPU-time). 1kern="Plateau" produces a less random

weighting scheme.

weighted weighted (logical) determines if weights contain the inverse of local variances

as a factor (Weighted Least Squares). weighted=FALSE does not employ the heteroscedasticity of variances for the weighting scheme and is preferable if

variance estimates are highly variable, e.g. for short time series.

Further internal arguments for the smoothing algorithm usually not to be set by the user. Allows e.g. for parameter adjustments by simulation using our propagation condition. Usefull exceptions can be used for adaptation="segment": Specifically alpha (default 0.05) defines the significance level for the signal de-

tection. It can be choosen between 0.01 and 0.2 as for other values we did not determine the critical values for the statistical tests. delta (default 0) defines the minimum signal which should be detected. restricted determines if smoothing for voxel detected to be significant is restricted to use only voxel from the same segment. The default is restricted=FALSE. restricted slighty changes

the behaviour under the altenative, i.e. not the interpretation of results.

# Details

skern

This function performs the smoothing on the Statistical Parametric Map spm.

hmax is the (maximal) bandwidth used in the last iteration. Choose adaptation as "none" for non adaptive smoothing. 1kern can be used for specifying the localization kernel. For comparison with non adaptive methods use "Gaussian" (hmax times the voxelsize in x-direction will give the FWHM bandwidth in mm), for better adaptation use "Plateau" or "Triangle" (default, hmax given in voxel). For 1kern="Plateau" and 1kern="Triangle" thresholds may be inaccurate, due to a violation of the Gaussian random field assumption under homogeneity. 1kern="Plateau" is expected to provide best results with adaptive smoothing.

skern can be used for specifying the kernel for the statistical penalty. "Plateau" is expected to provide the best results, due to a less random weighting scheme.

The function handles zero variances by assigning a large value (1e20) to these variances. Smoothing is restricted to voxel with spm\$mask.

#### Value

object with class attributes "fmrispm" and "fmridata", or "fmrisegment" and "fmridata" for segmentation choice

cbeta smoothed parameter estimate

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var	variance of the parameter
hmax	maximum bandwidth used
rxyz	smoothness in resel space. all directions
rxyz0	smoothness in resel space as would be achieved by a Gaussian filter with the same bandwidth. all directions
scorr	array of spatial correlations with maximal lags 5, 5, 3 in x,y and z-direction.
bw	vector of bandwidths (in FWHM) corresponding to the spatial correlation within the data.
dim	dimension of the data cube and residuals
weights	ratio of voxel dimensions
vwghts	ratio of estimated variances for the stimuli given by vvector
hrf	Expected BOLD response for the specified effect

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#### References

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# **Examples**

```
## Not run: fmri.smooth(spm, hmax = 4, lkern = "Gaussian")
```

fmri.stimulus

Linear Model for FMRI Data

# Description

Create the expected BOLD response for a given task indicator function.

### Usage

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#### **Arguments**

scans number of scans

onsets vector of onset times (in scans)

durations vector of duration of ON stimulus in scans or seconds (if !is.null(times))

TR time between scans in seconds (TR)

times onset times in seconds. If present onsets arguments is ignored.

sliceorder order of slice acquisition. If provided separate expected bold responses are cal-

culated for the slices taking slice acquisition times into account. Default: no

slice timing.

type One of "canonical", "gamma", "boxcar", "user"

par Possible parameters to the HRF. scale Temporal undersampling factor

hrf If type is "user" this should be a function evaluating the hemodynamic re-

sponse function

verbose Report more if TRUE

#### **Details**

The functions calculates the expected BOLD response for the task indicator function given by the argument as a convolution with the hemodynamic response function.

If sliceorder provides an ordering of slice acquisitions a matrix of expected Bold responses with colums corresponding to the slice number is computed.

For type is "canonical" the latter is modelled by the difference between two gamma functions as given in the reference (with the defaults for a1, a2, b1, b2, cc given therein):

$$\left(\frac{t}{d_1}\right)^{a_1} \exp\left(-\frac{t-d_1}{b_1}\right) - c\left(\frac{t}{d_2}\right)^{a_2} \exp\left(-\frac{t-d_2}{b_2}\right)$$

The parameters a1, a2, b1, b2, cc of this function can be changed through the argument par in this order.

Other choices are a simple gamma function

$$\frac{1}{k\tau_h(k-1)!} \left(\frac{t}{\tau_h}\right)^k \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_h}\right)$$

or the "boxcar" stimulus, or a user defined function hrf.

The dimension of the function value is set to c(scans, 1).

If !is.null(times) durations are specified in seconds.

### Value

Vector with dimension c(scans, 1) or a matrix with dimension c(scans, number of slices).

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#### References

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Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

#### See Also

```
fmri.design, fmri.lm
```

# **Examples**

```
# Example 1
hrf <- fmri.stimulus(107, c(18, 48, 78), 15, 2)
z <- fmri.design(hrf, 2)
par(mfrow=c(2, 2))
for (i in 1:4) plot(z[, i], type="l")</pre>
```

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Generate fmridata example

# **Description**

Generate fmridata example

# Usage

```
gen_fmridata(signal = 1.5, noise = 20, arfactor = 0.3)
```

### **Arguments**

signal Level of signal in the data noise Level of noise in the data arfactor Autoregressive factor

### Value

Object of class fmridata

# **Examples**

```
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```

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getSearchlightPattern Extract searchlight pattern from a SPM

### **Description**

For a provided spm object and a mask of voxel the function extracts the values of the parameter estimates within the searchlight region and for all voxel in the mask.

### Usage

```
getSearchlightPattern(spm, voxel, radius)
```

# **Arguments**

spm an object of class 'fmrispm'

voxel a mask (logical) with dimensionality compatible to the spm

radius radius of the searchlight

#### Value

an array of dimension c(nb, nsl, nvox) with nb the number of estimated parameters in spm\$beta, nsl the number of voxel in the searchlight and nvox the number of voxel in the mask provided as second argument

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# See Also

```
fmri.searchlight, fmri.lm~~~
```

hvred

Translation between smoothness and bandwidth for Gaussian kernel

# **Description**

Translation table between smoothness and bandwidth for Gaussian kernel

### Usage

data(hvred)

### Format

The format is: num [1:500, 1:2] 0.101 0.102 0.103 0.104 0.105 ...

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# **Examples**

```
data(hvred)
## maybe str(hvred) ; plot(hvred) ...
```

**ICAfingerprint** 

IC fingerprinting

### **Description**

Implements ICA fingerprinting mainly following De Martino et.al., Neuroimage 2007.

# Usage

```
ICAfingerprint(icaobj, nbin = 256, plot = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

icaobj object returned by function fmri.sICA.

nbin number of bins for entropy estimation

plot provide results as star plots.

# **Details**

For some characteristics normalization of values differs from De Martino et. al.. Frequency bands are obtained from periodogram estimated instead of using Welch's method.

### Value

object of class "fmriICA" list with components

scomp 4D array with ICA component images. Last index varies over components.

X pre-processed data matrix
 K pre-processed data matrix
 W estimated un-mixing matrix
 A estimated mixing matrix

mask Brain mask pixdim voxelsize

TR Repetition Time (TR)

fingerprint matrix of IC characteristics. Colums correspond to IC's.

# Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

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### References

De Martino et. al., Classification of fMRI independent components using IC-fingerprints and support vector machine classifieres, Neuroimage 34 (2007) 177-194.

#### See Also

```
fmri.sICA, plot.fmriICA, fastICA
```

niftiImage2fmri Create fmridata object from niftiImage

# **Description**

Transforms a niftiImage (created by readNifti from package RNiftyReg) into an object with class fmridata

# Usage

```
niftiImage2fmri(niftiobj, level = 0.75, mask=NULL, setmask = TRUE, indx = NULL,
indy = NULL, indz = NULL, avoidnegs = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

niftiobj	an object of class niftiImage
level	quantile used in mask definition
mask	array or nifti-object containing the mask. If set this replaces the mask defined by argument level.
setmask	if TRUE create a brain mask
indx	index vector for subcube definition
indy	index vector for subcube definition
indz	index vector for subcube definition

avoidnegs if TRUE change the mean to avoid negative image intensities

# **Details**

This function can be used in connection with readNifti from package RNiftyReg to read large fMRI series from nifti files. The resulting fmridata-object stores the image data as 2 byte integer in raw format, in contrast for the 4 byte real used with other functions.

### Value

an object of class fmridata

### Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

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### See Also

read.AFNI, read.DICOM, read.ANALYZE, read.NIFTI

# Description

Visualize fMRI data and (intermediate) results.

### Usage

# **Arguments**

X	object of class "fmrisegment", "fmrispm" or "fmridata"
anatomic	overlay of same dimension as the functional data, or fmridata object (if of $\boldsymbol{x}$ is fmripvalue object)
maxpvalue	maximum p-value for thresholding
spm	logical. if class is "fmrispm" decide whether to plot the t-statistics for the estimated effect (spm=TRUE) or the estimated effect itself (spm=FALSE).
pos	voxel to be marked on output
type	string. "slice" for slicewise view and "3d" for 3d view.
slice	number of slice in x, if anatomic is of "fmridata" class
view	"axial", "coronal", or "sagittal", if anatomic is of "fmridata" class
zlim.u	full range for anatomical underlay used for color scale, if anatomic is of "fmridata" class
zlim.o	full range for functional overlay used for color scale, if anatomic is of "fmridata" class
col.u	color scale for anatomical underlay, if anatomic is of "fmridata" class, default $grey(0:255/255)$

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col.o color scale for functional overlay, if anatomic is of "fmridata" class, default

heat.colors(256)

cutOff not yet documented

verbose tell something on the progress?
... additional arguments for plot

#### **Details**

Provides a sliceswise view of "fmridata" objects with anatomic overlay (if appropriate, that is for class "fmripvalue"). For objects of class "fmrispm" it plots the t-statistics for the estimated effects if spm is TRUE, or the estimated effect otherwise. For objects of class "fmridata" only a plot of the data slices itself is produced. If device is specified as "png", "jpeg", "ppm" output is done to a file. A grey/color scale is provided in the remaining space.

For objects of class "fmrisegment" the smoothed signal size is shown in the activation segments (two-sided test!).

If type is "3d" a 3 dimensional interactive view opens. Sliders to move in the data cube are given ("x", "y", "z", and "t" if class is "fmridata" only). Time series are shown if available. For objects of class "fmrispm" a slider is created to remove information for voxels with smaller signals than a cut-off value from the plot. Use pvalues for statistical evaluation. If spm is FALSE the estimated BOLD response together with a confidence interval corresponding to maxpvalue is drawn. For objects of class "fmripvalue" the pvalues with overlay are shown.

#### Value

If 'type' is "3d" the Tk-object is returned. (Remove the diplay with tkdestroy(object))

#### Note

3 dimensional plotting requires the tkrplot package.

#### Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

#### See Also

```
fmri.pvalue
```

```
## Not run: plot(pvalue)
```

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## **Description**

The function generates plots for inspecting independent components obtained by spatial indipendent component analysis.

# Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fmriICA'
plot(x, comp = 1, center = NULL, thresh = 1.5, ...)
## S3 method for class 'fmrigroupICA'
plot(x, comp = 1, center = NULL, thresh = 1.5, ...)
```

# Arguments

x	object returned by function fmri.sICA or preferably function ICAfingerprinting in case of plot.fmriICA and object returned by function fmri.sgroupICA in case of plot.fmrigroupICA
comp	number of the independent component to inspect.
center	coordinates for central point to determine axial, coronal and sattigal slices for display. If NULL the central point of the image cube is selected. center needs to be within the brain mask.
thresh	Threshold value
	currently not used

#### **Details**

The function generates diagnostic plots for the independent component specified in comp. It provides axial, coronal and sattigal images as determined by center. Values exceeding the threshold are displayed using a color scale. An IC fingerprint is given as a star plot. Additionally the time series corresponding to the spatial IC and its spectral density are plottet.

#### Value

nothing returned.

#### Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

# References

De Martino et. al., Classification of fMRI independent components using IC-fingerprints and support vector machine classifieres, Neuroimage 34 (2007) 177-194.

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## See Also

```
fmri.sICA, ICAfingerprint, fastICA
```

plot.fmripvalue

Visualize fMRI p-value maps

## **Description**

Visualize objects created by function fmri.pvalue

## Usage

## **Arguments**

x	object of class 'fmripvalue'
template	Anatomical image of same origin and direction as pvalue map in x\$pvalue.
mask	optional brain mask
view	Either 'orthographic' or one of 'axial', 'coronal' or 'sagittal'
slices	If view != "orthographic" vector of slice numbers to use. If not provided the ncol*nrow slices with strongest signals are selected
ncol	If view != "orthographic" number of slices per row
nrow	If view != "orthographic" number of rows in display.
center	If view == "orthographic" center of orthographic view. If not provided the center is chosen to provide maximal information.
	additional parameters (not evaluated)

## Value

list with components

```
comp1 slices, numbers refer to spm
comp2 center, numbers refer to spm
```

## Author(s)

```
Joerg Polzehl < polzehl@wias-berlin.de>
```

# See Also

```
fmri.pvalue, ~~~
```

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print.fmridata

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# Description

```
'print' method for class '"fmridata"'.
```

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fmridata' print(x, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x an object of class fmridata, usually, a result of a call to fmri.lm, fmri.smooth, fmri.pvalue, read.AFNI, or read.ANALYZE.

... further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### **Details**

The method tries to print information on data, like data dimension, voxel size, value range.

## Value

none

# Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

## References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

## See Also

```
summary.fmridata
```

```
## Not run: print(data)
```

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## **Description**

Read HEAD/BRIK file.

# Usage

```
read.AFNI(filename, vol=NULL, level=0.75, mask=NULL, setmask=TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

filename name of the file (without extension)

vol vector of volumes of the dataset to be read

level Quantile level defining the mask

mask array or nifti-object containing the mask. If set this replaces the mask defined

by argument level.

setmask Logical (default TRUE), whether to define a suitable mask based on level

#### **Details**

The function reads a HEAD/BRIK file. If vol is given (defaults to NULL), only volumes in this vector are read, in order to save memory.

#### Value

Object of class "fmridata" with the following list entries:

ttt raw vector (numeric size 4) containing the four dimensional data cube (the first

three dimensions are voxel dimensions, the fourth dimension denotes the time).

header header information list

format data source. string "HEAD/BRIK"

delta voxel size in mm

origin position of the datacube origin

orient data orientation code. see AFNI documentation

dim dimension of the datacube

weights weights vector coding the relative voxel sizes in x, y, z-direction.

mask head mask

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

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#### References

R. W. Cox (1996). AFNI: Software for analysis and visualization of functional magnetic resonance neuroimages. Computers and Biomed. Res. 29:162-173.

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

#### See Also

```
write.AFNI, read.ANALYZE
```

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: afni <- read.AFNI("afnifile")</pre>
```

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## **Description**

Read fMRI data from ANALYZE file(s).

## Usage

## **Arguments**

prefix	string(s). part of the file name before the number or vector of strings for filename (if numbered is FALSE)
numbered	logical. if FALSE only prefix is taken as file name (default).
postfix	string. part of the file name after the number
picstart	number of the first image to be read.
numbpic	number of images to be read
level	Quantile level defining the mask
mask	array or nifti-object containing the mask. If set this replaces the mask defined by argument level.

#### **Details**

setmask

This function reads fMRI data files in ANALYZE format. If numbered is FALSE, only the vector of strings in prefix is used for file name (default).

Logical (default TRUE), whether to define a suitable mask based on level

If numbered is TRUE, it takes the first string in prefix and postfix and a number of the form "007" in between to create the file name.

The number is assumed to be 3 digits (including leading zeros). First number is given in picstart, while numbpic defines the total number of images to be read. Data in multiple files will be combined into a four dimensional datacube.

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## Value

Object of class "fmridata" with the following list entries:

ttt raw vector (numeric size 4) containing the four dimensional data cube (the first

three dimensions are voxel dimensions, the fourth dimension denotes the time).

header header information of the data

format data source. string "ANALYZE"

delta voxel size in mm

origin position of the datacube origin

orient data orientation code

dim dimension of the datacube

weights weights vector coding the relative voxel sizes in x, y, z-direction

mask head mask

#### Note

Since numbering and naming of ANALYZE files widely vary, this function may not meet your personal needs. See Details section above for a description.

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### References

Biomedical Imaging Resource (2001). Analyze Program. Mayo Foundation.

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

## See Also

```
write.ANALYZE, read.AFNI
```

```
## Not run: analyze <- read.ANALYZE("analyze",TRUE,"file",31,107)</pre>
```

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## **Description**

Read DICOM file.

# Usage

```
read.DICOM(filename,includedata = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

filename name of the file

includedata logical. should data be read too? defaults to TRUE.

#### **Details**

The function reads a DICOM file.

#### Value

Object with the following list entries:

header header information as raw data

ttt image data if requested. raw vector (numeric size 4) containing the four di-

mensional data cube (the first three dimensions are voxel dimensions, the fourth

dimension denotes the time).

format data source. string "DICOM"

delta voxel size in mm series series identifier

image image number within series

dimension of the data if available

## Note

Since the DICOM standard is rather complicated, there may be cases where this function cannot read a DICOM file. Known issue: it cannot read header with implicit VR. Return value may change in future version!

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

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#### References

http://medical.nema.org

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

## See Also

```
read.AFNI, read.ANALYZE
```

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: dicom <- read.DICOM("dicomfile")</pre>
```

read.NIFTI

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# Description

Read fMRI data from NIFTI file(s).

## Usage

```
read.NIFTI(filename, level = 0.75, mask=NULL, setmask=TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

filename name of the NIFTI file

level Quantile level defining the mask

mask array or nifti-object containing the mask. If set this replaces the mask defined

by argument level.

setmask Logical (default TRUE), whether to define a suitable mask based on level

## **Details**

This function reads fMRI data files in NIFTI format.

The filename can be given with or without extension. If extension is not included, the function searches for the ".nii" file and then for the "hdr/img" pair.

#### Value

Object of class "fmridata" with the following list entries:

ttt raw vector (numeric size 4) containing the four dimensional data cube (the first

three dimensions are voxel dimensions, the fourth dimension denotes the time).

header header information of the data format data source. string "NIFTI"

delta voxel size in mm

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origin position of the datacube origin

orient data orientation code

dim dimension of the datacube

weights weights vector coding the relative voxel sizes in x, y, z-direction

mask head mask

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

#### See Also

```
read.ANALYZE, read.AFNI
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run: analyze <- read.NIFIT("niftifile.nii")</pre>
```

setmask

Add or replace mask in an fmridata object

## **Description**

The function replaces the information in the mask component of an fmridata object.

# Usage

```
setmask(fmriobj, mask)
```

## **Arguments**

fmriobj object of class 'fmridata'
mask object of class 'array' or 'nifti'

## **Details**

The dimensions of both objects supplied as arguments need to be compatible.

## Value

on object of class 'fmridata'.

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#### Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl < polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

## See Also

```
oro2fmri, niftiImage2fmri, read.NIFTI, read.AFNI, read.ANALYZE
```

sincfilter

A function for sinc-interpolation

# **Description**

Performs sinc interpolation for a equidistant time series x to times t.

## Usage

```
sincfilter(t, x, wr=8)
```

# **Arguments**

t vector of new time points

x observed time series at times 1:length(x).

wr determines truncation of series expansion

#### Value

a vector of interpolated values of the time series at time points given in t.

# Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

## See Also

```
slicetiming
```

```
x <- 1:107
y <- rnorm(x)
z <- sincfilter(seq(1,107,.01),y)
plot(x, y, ylim=range(y,z))
lines(seq(1,107,.01),z,col=2)</pre>
```

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slicetiming for fmridata-objects

## **Description**

Perform slicetiming for fMRI data, idealy before preprocessing (registration). Recording times for slices are assumed to be equispaced between scans with argument sliceorder providing the order of slice acquisitions. Interpolation between slices is performed uing a sinc filter.

## Usage

```
slicetiming(fmridataobj, sliceorder = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

```
fmridataobj object of class fmridata
sliceorder order of lice acqisions
```

#### Value

an object of class fmridata

## Author(s)

Joerg Polzehl <polzehl@wias-berlin.de>

## See Also

```
fmri.stimulus, fmri.design,fmri.lm,~~~
```

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# Description

```
'summary' method for class '"fmridata"'.
```

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'fmridata'
summary(object, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object an object of class fmridata, usually, a result of a call to fmri.lm, fmri.smooth,

fmri.pvalue, read.AFNI, or read.ANALYZE.

. . . further arguments passed to or from other methods.

#### **Details**

The method tries to print information on data, like data dimension, voxel size, value range.

#### Value

A list with the following elements:

dim data dimension

delta voxel dimension, if available

values value range z design matrix

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### See Also

```
print.fmridata
```

```
## Not run: summary(data)
```

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# Description

Write BRIK/HEAD files.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

filename	name of the file
ttt	datacube
label	labels (BRICK\_LABS), depreciated - see header
note	notes on data (HISTORY\_NOTE), depreciated - see header
origin	origin of datacube (ORIGIN), depreciated - see header
delta	voxel dimensions (DELTA), depreciated - see header
idcode	idcode of data (IDCODE\_STRING), depreciated - see header
header	This is a list of header information such as DATASET\_RANK to be written to the .HEAD file. Arguments label, are depreciated and to be substituted by a corresponding list entry. For backward compatibility the use of the old arguments is still supported and should give the same results. This will be removed in some future release! Since AFNI does not read any dataset with a header choose carefully what is written. There are some basic tests in this function, but this may not be sufficient.
taxis	logical (defaults to FALSE. Are the sub-bricks time series? This results in writing TAXIS attributes to the header file.

## **Details**

Write out BRIK/HEAD files as required by AFNI. Most arguments correspond to entries in the HEAD file, but use is depreciated. Use header and taxis instead!

## Value

Nothing is returned.

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

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#### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

#### See Also

```
read.AFNI,write.ANALYZE
```

#### **Examples**

```
## Not run: write.AFNI(tempfile(), array(as.integer(65526*runif(10*10*10*20)),
        c(10,10,10,20)), c("signal"), note="random data",
        origin=c(0,0,0), delta=c(4,4,5), idcode="unique ID")
## End(Not run)
write.AFNI(tempfile(), array(as.integer(65526*runif(10*10*10*20)),
        c(10,10,10,20)), header=list(HISTORY_NOTE="random data",
        ORIGIN=c(0,0,0), DELTA=c(4,4,5), IDCODE_STRING="unique ID"),taxis=FALSE)
```

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## **Description**

Write a 4 dimensional datacube in ANALYZE file format.

## Usage

```
write.ANALYZE(ttt, header=NULL, filename)
```

## **Arguments**

ttt 4 dimensional datacube
header header information
filename file name

#### **Details**

Writes the datacube ttt to a file named file in ANLYZE file format. header is a list that contains the header information as documented by the Mayo Foundation. We give here a short summary. If a value is not provided, it will be tried to fill it with reasonable defaults, but do not expect fine results, if the entry has a special important meaning (h.i. pixdim).

[1]	datatype1 – 10 byte character	[2]	dbname – 18 byte character
[3]	extents – integer	[4]	sessionerror – integer
[5]	regular – character	[6]	hkey – character
[7]	dimension – 8 integers, dimensions	[8]	unused – 7 integers
[9]	datatype – integer, datatype usually "4"	[10]	bitpix – integer
[11]	dimun0 – integer	[12]	pixdim – 8 floats, voxel dimensions
[13]	voxoffset – float	[14]	funused – 3 floats

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[15]	calmax – float	[16]	calmin – float
[17]	compressed – float	[18]	verified – float
[19]	glmax – integer	[20]	glmin – integer
[21]	describ – 80 byte character	[22]	auxfile – 24 byte character
[23]	orient – character	[24]	originator – 5 integers
[25]	generated – 10 byte character	[26]	scannum – 10 byte character
[27]	patientid – 10 byte character	[28]	expdate – 10 byte character
[29]	exptime – 10 byte character	[30]	histun0 – 3 byte character
[31]	views – integer	[32]	voladded – integer
[33]	startfield – integer	[34]	fieldskip – integer
[35]	omax – integer	[36]	omin – integer
[37]	smax – integer	[38]	smin – integer

See ANALYZE documentation for details.

#### Value

Nothing is returned.

## Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

## See Also

```
read.ANALYZE, write.AFNI
```

# **Examples**

write.NIFTI

I/O Functions

# **Description**

Write a 4 dimensional datacube in NIFTI file format.

# Usage

```
write.NIFTI(ttt, header=NULL, filename)
```

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## **Arguments**

ttt 4 dimensional datacube
header header information
filename file name

#### **Details**

Writes the datacube ttt to a file named file in NIFTI file format. header is a list that contains the header information.

See NIFTI documentation for details.

## Value

Nothing is returned.

#### Author(s)

Karsten Tabelow <tabelow@wias-berlin.de>

#### References

Polzehl, J. and Tabelow, K. (2007) fmri: A Package for Analyzing fmri Data, R News, 7:13-17.

## See Also

```
read.ANALYZE, write.AFNI
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