

Short Explanation of the Fields of SPM struct

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SPM.xY Data

xY.P	filenames of images (with path)
xY.VY	handle to images (from spm_vol)
VY.fname	filename
VY.dim	image dimensions
VY.mat	transformation matrix
VY.pinfo	plane info (scale factor for every image)
VY.descrip	description string
VY.n	?
VY.private.hdr	analyze header
VY.userdata	user data (usually not used)

SPM.xX Design Matrix

xX.X	Design Matrix (raw values)
xX.iH	column indices for condition effects partition
xX.iC	column indices for covariates of interest partition
xX.iB	column indices for constants
xX.iG	column indices for nuisances covariates partition
xX.name	regressor names (cell array)
xX.I	indicator for factor levels
xX.sF	factor names
xX.K	filter for design matrix
xX.W	pre-whitening matrix ($WY = WX*b + We$)
xX.xKXs	struct for filtered and pre-whitened design matrix ($K*W*X$)
xKXs.X	the filtered and whitened design matrix
xKXs.tol	tolerance [$\max(\text{size}(\text{xKXs.X})) * \max(\text{abs}(\text{xKXs.ds})) * \text{eps}$]
xKXs.ds	vector of singular values [$\text{diag}(s)$ from $[u,s,v]=\text{svd}(\text{xKXs.X},0)$]
xKXs.u	u as in $X = u * \text{diag}(ds) * v'$ [taken from $[u,s,v]=\text{svd}(\text{xKXs.X},0)$]
xKXs.v	v as in $X = u * \text{diag}(ds) * v'$ [taken from $[u,s,v]=\text{svd}(\text{xKXs.X},0)$]
xKXs.rk	rank = $\text{sum}(\text{xKXs.ds} > \text{xKXs.tol})$
xKXs.oP	orthogonal projector on X
xKXs.oPp	orthogonal projector on X'
xKXs.ups	space in which this one is embedded
xKXs.sus	subspace
xX.pKX	pseudo-inverse of filtered and pre-whitened design matrix
xX.Bcov	covariance matrix of parameter estimates [$\text{diag}(\text{Bcov}) = \text{variance of parameter estimates}$]
xX.V	filtered and pre-whitened error covariance matrix ($K*W*xVi.Vi*W'*K'$)
xX.trRV	trace of $R*V$ (necessary for effective df)
xX.trRVRV	trace of $RVRV$ (necessary of effective df)
xX.erdf	effective residual df ($\text{trRV}^2/\text{trRVRV}$)
xX.nKX	filtered design matrix scaled for display

SPM.xC Covariate details

xC.rc	raw (as entered) i-th covariate
xC.rcname	name of this covariate
xC.c	covariate as appears in design matrix
xC.cname	cellstr containing names corresponding to $\text{xC}(i).c$
xC.iCC	covariate centering option
xC.iCFT	covariate by factor interaction option
xC.type	covariate type (1=interest,2=nuisance,3=global)
xC.cols	columns of design matrix corresponding to $\text{xC}(i).c$
xC.descrip	description of covariate

SPM.xGX	Global options and values
xGX.iGXcalc	global calculation option used
xGX.sGCCalc	string describing global calculations used
xGX.rg	raw globals (before scaling) [mean image intensity, not session-specific]
xGX.gSF	global scaling factor (applied to xGX.rg) [global mean, session-specific]
xGX.GM	global mean (gSF*rg = GM)
xGX.iGMsca	grand mean scaling option
xGX.sGMsca	string describing grand mean (/proportional) scaling option
xGX.iGC	global covariate centering option
xGX.sGC	string describing global covariate centering option
xGX.gc	center for global covariate
xGX.iGloNorm	global normalization option
xGX.sGloNorm	string describing global normalization option

SPM.xVi	Non-spericity options
xVi.iid	independent and identical errors (0/1)
xVi.I	see SPM.xX.I
xVi.sF	see SPM.xX.sF
xVi.var	factor to correct for inhomogenous variance (?)
xVi.dep	factor to correct of non-identical errors (?)
xVi.Vi	cell array with model components for error GLM (design matrices for error)
xVi.h	hyperparameter estimates for xVi.Vi (usually called lambda's)
xVi.Cy	spatially whitened covariance matrix of data (Y*Y') [used by ReML to estimate h)]
xVi.CY	fitted covariance matrix of data (Y-<Y>)*(Y-<Y>') [used by spm_Bayes]

SPM.xM	Masking options
xM.T	threshold masking values (-Inf = 'none')
xM.TH	nScan x 1 vector of analysis thresholds
xM.I	implicit masking (0 = 'none'; 1 = zero/NaN)
xM.VM	handle to explicit masking image (see SPM.xY.VY)
xM.xs	struture describing masking options

SPM.xVol	information about image dimensions etc.
xVol.M	transformation matrix vox2mm
xVol.iM	transformation matrix mm2vox
xVol.DIM	images dimensions
xVol.FWHM	smoothing filter width (in voxels)
xVol.R	vector of resel counts (in resels)
xVol.S	Lebelgue measure of volume (in voxels)
xVol.VRpv	handle to Resels/voxel images (RPV.img) (see SPM.xY.VY)

SPM.Vbeta	parameter estimates
	handle to beta images (see SPM.xY.VY)

SPM.VResMS	residual sum of squares

	handle to images of residuals (ResMS.img)
SPM.VM	mask image

	handle to mask images of analysis voxels (mask.img)
SPM.xCon	structure holding contrast information

xCon.name	contrast name
xCon.STAT	type of statistic (T/F)
xCon.c	contrast vector/matrix
xCon.X0	reduced design matrix (spans design space under Ho)
xCon.iX0	indicates how contrast was specified if by "columns for reduces design" then column indices, otherwise either 'c', 'c+', or 'X0' see spm_FcUtil
xCon.Xl0	remaining design space (orthogonal to X0)
xCon.eidf	effective interest df (numerator df)
xCon.Vcon	handle to contrast image (con_xxxx.img,ess_xxxx.img)
xCon.Vspm	handle to statistical image (spmT_xxxx.img/spmF_xxxx.img)
SPM.Sess	regressors in design matrix (session-specific)

Sess.U	experimental regressors
U.name	name of regressors
U.ons	onset vector
U.dur	duration (0 = events)
U.P	parametric modulations
P.name	name of parametric modulator
P.h	order of expansion
P.i	
U.dt	internal temporal resolution RT/T
U.pst	peri-stimulus time (specifies occurence of scans in relation to events)
C	covariates
C.C	nScan x number of covariates matrix
C.name	cell array with names of covariates
row	indices of rows of design matrix belonging to the session
col	indices of columns of design matrix belongin to the session
Fc	structrue holding information on F-contrasts
Fc.i	index of F-contrast (?)
FC.name	name of F-contrast
SPM.xBF	structure with information if basis functions

xBF.name	name of basis function of set of bassi functions
xBF.T	time bins
xBF.T0	reference bin
xBF.UNITS	onsets in scans or seconds

xBF.Volterra	(1 = linear, normal HRF, 2 = trial interactions)
xBF.dt	internal temporal resolution (RT/T)
xBF.length	length of basis functions (in sec)
xBF.order	? (1 = HRD no order)
xBF.bf	vector with basis functions

SPM.xsDes	structure describing design
SPM.SPMid	version information of SPM
SPM.swd	analysis directory (holding SPM.mat)
SPM.nscan	number of images