dPETSTEP

- Run your first simulation -

Introduction

dPETSTEP (https://github.com/CRossSchmidtlein/dPETSTEP) is a fast dynamic PET simulator designed for high throughput simulation of dynamic PET images. It allows full simulation of a user defined parametric image, kinetic model, input function, time sampling and more into realistic (noisy) dynamic PET-like images. Furthermore, the dynamic PET data can then be model fitted to produce parameter/parametric image estimates.

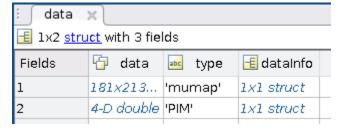
This application is written in MATLAB and designed as an extension of PETSTEP (https://github.com/CRossSchmidtlein/PETSTEP). Currently, MATLAB functions from PETSTEP are used by dPETSTEP, but there is no requirement of installing CERR (Computational Environment for Radiological Research, https://github.com/adityaapte/CERR).

Data structure

The data used by dPETSTEP should have a certain format, as will be specified below. It should contain three fields: data, type and dataInfo. It should contain two rows per field:

- 1. The first row should be the CT or mu-map of the object. Data should contain the 3D matrix of the object. Type should be "CT" or "mumap".
- 2. The second row should be the parametric image of the object. Data should be the 4D (3 spatial + 1 parametric) matrix with the parametric object. Type should be "PIM".

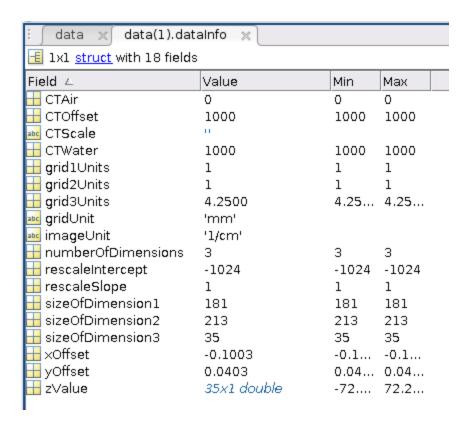
These data should be stored in a 1x2 structure named "data":



In the example folder in the github repository, there is a *.mat-file with a sample data structure file. You can use that data as a starting point and just change the data and relevant information for your own simulation.

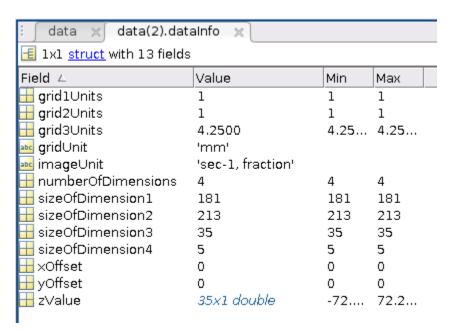
CT or mu-map

The dataInfo for the CT or mu-map should contain the fields as in the figure below. Currently, the grid units have to be in millimeters. For mu-maps, the unit should be 1/cm. The zValue is a vector with the mid slice positions in millimeters.



Parametric image

The dataInfo for the parametric image should look like below. The grid units should be in millimeters, and the rate constants should be in 1/sec. The zValue is a vector with the mid slice positions in millimeters.



Run a simulation

Once you have the input data structure set up properly according to above, you can start your simulation process.

First however, there are a few things you need to do:

1. You need to adjust all settings of the simulation according to your preference. Do this by opening "Dynamic_setSimParameters.m" and adjust the fields as you like.

>> open Dynamic setSimParameters.m

```
%% Simulation parameters
simSet = struct;
% input parameters
                        % CT scan's ID : should be automated
simSet.CTscanNum = 1;
simSet.PIMscanNum = 2;
                                    % Parametric image scan's ID : should be automated
simSet.PTscanNum = 3;
                                   % Dynamic PET image scan's ID : should be automated
% count data
simSet.countSens
                   = (265/324) *6.44; % 3D sensitivity (counts/kBq/s) (GE DLS)
simSet.SF = 0.289; % scatter fraction S/(T+S)
simSet.RF = 0.02; % randoms fraction R/(T+S+R)
% Dynamic settings
SimSet.1rame = frame; % Vector with frame times in sec.
simSet.dwellTime = diff(frame); % Frame lengths.
simSet.Cif = Cif: ° ...
                   % Vector with input function in Bq/cc. Either arterial input function.
simSet.CifScaleFactor = 1;
                                    % Scale factor to multiply the supplied input function with.
simSet.kineticModel = '2-Tissue'; % Desired kinetic model, '1-Tissue', '2-Tissue', 'FRTM', 'SRTM' or 'sumExp'.
% scanner charaterisitics
simSet.simSize = 165; % matrix size of reconstructed image
simSet.zFilter = [1 2 1]; % post recon Z-axis filter 3-point smoothing
% Heavy[ 1 2 1]/4, Standard[1 4 1]/6, Light[1 6 1]/8, None[0 1 0]
simSet.postFilter = 6; % FWHM in (mm) of post reconstruction filter. FWHM = 2*sqrt(2*log(2))*sigma.
simSet.iterNUM = 5; % number of iterations
simSet.subNUM = 16; % number of subscri
% image reconstruction definitions
% Biologic variability
simSet.addVariability = false; % Flag to add biologic variability or not
% Reconstructions
simSet.FBP_OUT = false;
simSet.OS_OUT = true;
simSet.OSpsf_OUT = false;
% number of replicate data sets
simSet.nREP
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2. You then specify the input function to your model, a vector called "Cif". Should be the arterial input function for the 1-, and 2-Tissue models and sum of exponentials, and a reference tissue TAC for the FRTM and SRTM models, in unit (Bq/cc).

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Cif = [Cif_1; Cif_2; ...; Cif_f-1]. f = number of frames.
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- 3. You also need to specify the frames of your simulation in a vector called "frame", unit (sec). frame = [frameStart_1; frameEnd_1=frameStart_2; frameEnd_2=frameStart_3; ... frameEnd_f].
- 4. The final data you need is a vector with the average activity in unit (Bq/cc) per frame that you want. This scales the simulated sinograms which in turn determines the noise level.

 Cmean = [Cmean 1;Cmean 2;...;Cmean f-1].

To run a simulation, simply run:

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>>[data,simSet,FBP4D,OS4D,OSpsf4D,counts,countsNoise]=Dynamic_main(data, frame, Cif, Cmean);
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(See section Matlab functions below). This adds a pristine (noiseless) dynamic image based on your parametric image and settings to your structure "data". It then simulates the dynamic PET from that dynamic pristine input. The data that is created is:

data	Same data structure as input, but with the pristine 4D image added to it.
simSet	Structure with simulation settings.
FBP4D	4D matrix with reconstructed dynamic FBP image.
OS4D	4D matrix with reconstructed dynamic OSEM image.
OSpsf4D	4D matrix with reconstructed dynamic OSEM image with PSF correction.
counts	Structure with the pristine sinogram counts.
countsNoise	Structure with the noisy sinogram counts.

Matlab functions

To run dPETSTEP, you will also need to download the MATLAB functions from PETSTEP (found in the PETSTEP repository on github).

The MATLAB functions in dPETSTEP (found in the dPETSTEP repository on github) are the following:

addVariability2PIM.m

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%| Adds variability to an existing parametric image (PIM). Represents biological diversity.
%| IH, 19/04/2016
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        = number of kinetic parameters.
% | m
% | nx,ny,nz = image dimensions.
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% | USAGE : pim var = addVariability2PIM('pim',pim,'scale',10).
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% | INPUT : pim
                2 or 2D parametric image, one vector per voxel. Rate constants in unit
                (s^{-1}).
                pim = [nx*ny*nz*m].
용|
        scale Scalar with amount of variability, sigma = pim/scale.
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%|
                (higher scale-->less variability).
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%| OUTPUT : pim_var 2 or 2D variablility (~noise) parametric image, one vector per voxel. Rate
& I
                 constants in unit (s^-1).
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                 pim_var = [nx*ny*nz*m].
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calculateWeights.m

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.
% Calculates frame weights = 1/variance according to user specified model.
% IH, 19/04/2016
% f = number of frames
               - mid frame (time) column vector [f-1,1], unit (sec).
% INPUT:
        C - tissue TAC [f-1,1].

type - type of weighting, string 'w1', 'w2'...
         frameVar - frame variance, column vector [f-1,1].
        halflife - halflife of nuclide in (sec), scalar.
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        Available weight model types are:
         'ones' : uniform weighting (vector of ones)
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         'w1'
             : 1/frameVariance
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        'w2' : decayFactor^2
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        'w3' : decayFactor * 1/(frameLength*TAC)
         'w4' : frameLength * exp(-lambda*t) / TAC
         'w5' : frameLength * exp(-lambda*t)
% OUTPUT: w
              - weight vector [f-1,1].
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convertCT2mumap.m

createDynamicPETfromParametricImage matrix.m

```
%| Creates a 4D dynamic image of a 4D matrix with kinetic parameters (parametric image), using
% a given blood input function or reference TAC, and frame vector. PIM = parametric image.
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%| IH, 19/04/2016
& I
% | N = no of kinetic parameters.
%| f = no of frames.
% I
%| USAGE : dynamicImage = createDynamicPETfromParametricImage_matrix('paramImage',paramImage,... |
                                                           'model','2Tissue',...
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                                                           'Cif', [cif_1 cif_2...cif_f-1],...
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% I
                                                           'CifScaling',2,...
% I
                                                           'doDecay', halflife,...
                                                           'frame',[f_1 f_2...f_f],...
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                                                           'dt',0.5,...
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용|
                                                           'interpMethod', interpMethod).
용|
                        4D matrix with parametric image - one parameter set per 3D
% | INPUT : paramImage
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                         voxel, unit (1/s) for rate constants.
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                         paramImage = [nx*ny*nz*N].
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                         paramImage(x,y,z,:) = [N*1].
용|
            model
                         String of desired kinetic model, e.g. '1Tissue' or '2Tissue'.
용|
            frame
                         Vector with frame start and ends, unit (s).
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                         frame = [f*1].
                         [frameStart1; frameStart2=frameEnd1; frameStart3=frameEnd2;...].
& [
                         Vector with input function to model (arterial or reference tissue),
& [
& [
                         unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
& [
                         Cif = [(f-1)*1].
            dt
                         Scalar with time step length for calculations, unit (s). Smaller
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                         step means a better calculation of the TACs, but a longer
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                         computation time.
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            OPTIONAL :
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            CifScaling
                        Scalar to multiply Cif with.
            doParallell Optional flag to do parallell computing (1) or not (0)(default).
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            doDecay
                         Optional string to add physical decay to TACs or not. Specify halflife
                         in (s) or leave out or specify 'none' to not add decay (default).
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& |
            interpMethod Optional string with interpolation method (interp1). Default 'linear'.
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%| OUTPUT : dynamicImage 4D matrix with dynamic image (3D image with a 4th time
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                         dimension), unit (arbitrary, same as Cif (Cp or Cref).
                         dynamicImage = [nx*ny*nz*(f-1)].
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Dynamic buildSimFullData.m

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%"Dynamic buildSimFullData"
  Builds un-noised PET projection data and attenuation projections
% CRS, 08/01/2013
% IH, 04/07/2016
% Usage:
  [FWPTtrue, FWPTscatter, FWPTrandoms, FWAC, wcc] = Dynamic buildSimFullData(refPT, muCT, psf, vox, countsTotal, SF, RF)
     refPT = reference PET image
     FWAC:
             = forward projection of mumap
     PSFsim
              = Postfilter matched to simulation size
     scatterK = Scatter kernel matched to simulation size
              = voxel sizes, dimensions for input, simulation and output images
     countsScale = mean total counts per active voxel
     SF
             = Scatter fraction
     RF
              = Randoms fraction
     sensScale = Sensitivity scale factor for each slice
```

Dynamic main.m

```
% Run a complete dynamic PET simulation.
% USAGE : simSet = Dynamic main(data,frame,Cif,Cmean)
% INPUT : data
              Structure input data.
        frame
               Vector with start and end frame times in sec,
               [frameStart1; frameStart2=frameEnd1; frameStart3=frameEnd2;...].
               Vector with input function to model (AIF or reference tissue TAC).
        Cmean Average activity for each frame of the simulation in (Bq/cc).
              (Scales sinograms which in turn determines noise level).
% OUTPUT : data
                 Structure with all simulation input simulation data.
                Reconstructed dynamic FBP image in (Bq/cc).
       FBP4D
                 Reconstructed dynamic OSEM image in (Bq/cc).
       OSpsf4D Reconstructed dynamic OSEm w/ PSF image in (Bq/cc).
                Pristine sinogram counts.
       counts
       countsNoise Noisy sinogram counts.
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Dynamic PETSTEP.m

```
% Run a complete dynamic PET simulation.
§ USAGE : [data,simSet,FBP4D,OS4D,OSpsf4D,counts,countsNoise] = Dynamic main(data,frame,Cif,Cmean)
% INPUT : data
               Structure input data.
        frame
               Vector with start and end frame times in sec,
               [frameStart1; frameStart2=frameEnd1; frameStart3=frameEnd2;...].
        Cif
               Vector with input function to model (AIF or reference tissue TAC).
        Cmean Average activity for each frame of the simulation in (Bq/cc).
               (Scales sinograms which in turn determines noise level).
% OUTPUT : data
                 Structure with all simulation input simulation data.
        simSet
                 Structure with simulation settings.
                Reconstructed dynamic FBP image in (Bg/cc).
                 Reconstructed dynamic OSEM image in (Bg/cc).
       OSpsf4D Reconstructed dynamic OSEM w/ PSF image in (Bq/cc).
                 Pristine sinogram counts.
       countsNoise Noisy sinogram counts.
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Dynamic_PETSTEP_overhead.m

```
% Calculates voxel sizes, attenuation factors, initial PET etc.
% USAGE : [vox, PSFsim, PSFout, POST, scatterK, FWAC, initPT, sensScale] = Dynamic_PETSTEP_overhead(data, simSet)
% INPUT : data
                Structure with CT/mumap and dynamic image
        simSet Structure with all simulation settings
% OUTPUT : vox
               structure with voxel sizes
       PSFsim Matrix with system PSF kernel
        PSFout Matrix with PSF kernel for correction during reconstruction
ş.
        POST
                Matrix with Gaussian XY post filter kernel
        scatterK Matrix with scatter kernel
        FWAC
                 Matrix with attenuation factors in sinogram space
                 Initial guess of PET image (disk of ones)
        sensScale Vector with sensitivity scale factor for all slices
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Dynamic_setSimParameters.m

fit_1Tissue_lsqnonlin.m

```
% | Fits a response TAC to the 1-tissue compartment model, from given time sampling, input function
% and frame weights. Generates a vector of fitted parameters.
%| IH, 19/04/2016
% I
%| f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters = 2 or 3.
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%| USAGE : p = fit 1Tissue lsqnonlin(t,C,Cp,w,p0,dt,doPlot,lowerBounds,upperBounds,algorithm).
% INPUT : t
                       Vector of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [(f-1),1], unit (s).
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                       t = [t_1; t_2; ...; t_{f-1}].
          C
                       Vector with tissue TAC, size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary) e.g. (Bq/cc).
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& I
                       C = [C_1; C_2; ...; C_{f-1}].
% I
          Cp
                       Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
용|
                       size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
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                       Cp = [Cp 1; Cp 2; ...; Cp f-1].
용|
                       Vector with frame weights, size [(f-1),1].
용|
                       W = [W_1; W_2; ...; W_{f-1}].
        p0
                      Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit rate const. (1/s). Size [1,np].
% I
                       p0 = [K1_0 k2_0 (Vp_0)].
용티
        dt
                      Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
% I
                     Flag to plot fitted solution (1) or not (0).
%|
         doPlot
         lowerBounds Vector with lower bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default zero.
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         upperBounds Vector with upper bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default 100*p0.
%|
          algorithm String with desired fitting algorithm. Default 'trust-region-reflective'.
옿I
%| OUTPUT : p
                      Vector with fitted model parameters, size [1,np].
                       p = [K1 \ k2 \ (Vp)].
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      |Cp | | K1
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      | | |---->|
| | |<----| C1
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                          용|
                           |Vp| k2 |____
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      __1 1
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      | Cpet
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  Theoretical 1-tissue model:
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용|
| C = [K1*exp(-k2*t)] CONV [Cp] |
용|
  | Cpet = (1-Vp)*C + Vp*Cp
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& I
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fit_2Tissue_Isqnonlin.m

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% | Fits a response TAC to the 2-tissue compartment model, from given time sampling, input function
% | and frame weights. Generates a vector of fitted parameters.
%| IH, 19/04/2016
% I
% | f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters = 4 or 5.
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%| USAGE : p = fit 2Tissue lsqnonlin(t,C,Cp,w,p0,dt,doPlot,lowerBounds,upperBounds,algorithm).
% INPUT : t
                      Vector of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [(f-1),1], unit (s).
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                      t = [t_1; t_2; ...; t_{f-1}].
          C
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                      Vector with tissue TAC, size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary) e.g. (Bq/cc).
& I
                      C = [C_1; C_2; ...; C_{f-1}].
          Cp
% I
                      Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
용|
                      size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
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                      Cp = [Cp 1; Cp 2; ...; Cp f-1].
                      Vector with frame weights, size [(f-1),1].
% |
용|
                      W = [W_1; W_2; ...; W_{f-1}].
                      Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit rate const. (1/s). Size [1,np].
        0q
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                      p0 = [K1_0 k2_0 k3_0 k4_0 (Vp_0)].
용티
        dt
                      Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
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         doPlot
                     Flag to plot fitted solution (1) or not (0).
%|
         lowerBounds Vector with lower bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default zero.
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         upperBounds Vector with upper bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default 100*p0.
용|
         algorithm String with desired fitting algorithm. Default 'trust-region-reflective'.
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%| OUTPUT : p
                      Vector with fitted model parameters, size [1,np].
                      p = [K1 k2 k3 k4 (Vp)].
& I
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      k3
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      |Cp | | K1
      | | |----->| |----->|
| | |<-----| C1 |<-----| C2
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         |Vp| k2 |____
                          __| k4 |____
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      %Ⅰ
  Theoretical 2-tissue model:
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% | alpha1 = 0.5*( k2+k3+k4 - sqrt( [k2+k3+k4]^2 - 4*k2*k4) )
| alpha2 = 0.5*(k2+k3+k4 + sqrt([k2+k3+k4]^2 - 4*k2*k4))
(alpha2-k3-k4)*exp(-alpha2*t) ] CONV [ Cp ]
용| |
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   | Cpet = (1-Vp) *C + Vp*Cp
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fit FRTM Isqnonlin.m

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%| Fits a response TAC to the FRTM compartment model, from given time sampling, reference tissue TAC
% and frame weights. Generates a vector of fitted parameters.
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%| IH, 19/04/2016
% I
% | f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters = 4.
% I
%| USAGE : p = fit_FRTM_lsqnonlin(t,C,Cref,w,p0,dt,doPlot,lowerBounds,upperBounds,algorithm).
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% | INPUT : t
                        Vector of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [(f-1),1], unit (s).
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                        t = [t_1; t_2; ...; t_{f-1}].
                        Vector with tissue TAC, size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary) e.g. (Bq/cc).
용|
                        C = [C_1; C_2; ...; C_{f-1}].
용|
           Cref
                        Vector with reference tissue TAC corresponding to frame mid times,
용티
                        size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
                        Cref = [Cref_1; Cref_2; ...; Cref_f-1].
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                        Vector with frame weights, size [(f-1),1].
용티
           W
                        W = [W_1; W_2; ...; W_{f-1}].
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옿|
         p0
                        Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit rate const. (1/s). Size [1,np].
% I
                        p0 = [R1 \ 0 \ k2 \ 0 \ k3 \ 0 \ BPnd \ 0].
                        Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
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                       Flag to plot fitted solution (1) or not (0).
옿|
           doPlot
           lowerBounds Vector with lower bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default zero.
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           upperBounds Vector with upper bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default 100*p0.
8 I
                       String with desired fitting algorithm. Default 'trust-region-reflective'.
           algorithm
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%| OUTPUT : p
                        Vector with fitted model parameters, size [1,np].
& I
                        p = [R1 k2 k3 BPnd].
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                     ____ k3
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%| | | Cp |---->|
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   | | |<-----| C1 |<-----| C2
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    | | | k2 |____| k4 |___
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                                              | Tissue with specific binding, Cpet
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      | | K1
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           |---->|
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           |<----| C1' |
용|
      | k2' |__
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    _| |
                              | Reference tissue with non-specific binding, Cref
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옿|
   Theoretical FRTM:
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%| | R1
           = K1/K1'
% | BPnd = k3/k4
%| | a
           = (k3+k4-c)(c-r)/u
%| |b
           = (d-k3-k4)(d-r)/u
%| | C
          = (s+u)/2
%| | d
           = (s-u)/2
%| | u
           = sqrt(s^2-q)
%| | q
            = 4k2k4
            = k2/R1
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    3
            = k2+k3+k4
    | Cpet = R1*Cref + R1*( [a*Cref] CONV [exp(-ct)] + [b*Cref] CONV [exp(-dt)] ) |
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    Reference: A.A. Lammertsma et al., Comparison of methods for analysis of clinical
    raclopride[11C]studies, J. Cereb. Blood Flow Metab. 16(1), 42-52 (1996).
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fit_SRTM_lsqnonlin.m

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%| Fits a response TAC to the SRTM compartment model, from given time sampling, reference tissue TAC
% | and frame weights. Generates a vector of fitted parameters.
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%| IH, 19/04/2016
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%| f = number of frames.
%| np = number of model parameters = 3.
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%| USAGE : p = fit_SRTM_lsqnonlin(t,C,Cref,w,p0,dt,doPlot,lowerBounds,upperBounds,algorithm).
& [
                        Vector of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [(f-1),1], unit (s).
% | INPUT : t
                        t = [t_1; t_2; ...; t_{f-1}].
용|
           C
                        Vector with tissue TAC, size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary) e.g. (Bq/cc).
& I
                        C = [C_1; C_2; ...; C_{f-1}].
욯I
           Cref
                        Vector with reference tissue TAC corresponding to frame mid times,
옿I
                        size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
                        Cref = [Cref_1; Cref_2; ...; Cref_f-1].
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옿|
                        Vector with frame weights, size [(f-1),1].
                        W = [W_1; W_2; ...; W_{f-1}].
% |
용|
          p0
                       Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit rate const. (1/s). Size [1,np].
&Ι
                        p0 = [R1_0 k2_0 BPnd_0].
         dt.
욯I
                        Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
                      Flag to plot fitted solution (1) or not (0).
          doPlot
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          lowerBounds Vector with lower bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default zero.
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          upperBounds Vector with upper bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default 100*p0.
용|
          algorithm String with desired fitting algorithm. Default 'trust-region-reflective'.
&Ι
%| OUTPUT : p
                        Vector with fitted model parameters, size [1,np].
& I
                        p = [R1 k2 BPnd].
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    1 1
         | K1
    | | Cp |---->|
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                          C
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    | k2 |
                                     | Tissue with specific binding, Cpet
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           | K1'
& Ι
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    |<----| C1' | |
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         | k2' |
                          _1 1
옿|
                             | Reference tissue with non-specific binding, Cref
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   Theoretical SRTM:
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    | R1 = K1/K1'
%Ⅰ
용티
    | BPnd
           = k3/k4
옿I
    | Cpet = R1*Cref + [ (k2-R1*k2/(1+BPnd))*Cref ] CONV [ exp(-k2*t/(1+BPnd)) ]
용|
욯I
    Reference: A.A. Lammertsma and S.P. Hume, Simplified reference tissue model for PET receptor
   studies, Neuroimage 4, 153-158 (1996).
옿I
욯I
```

fit sumExp lsqnonlin.m

```
%| Fits a response TAC to an arbitrary sum of exponentials, from given time sampling, input function
% and frame weights. Generates a vector of fitted parameters.
%| IH, 19/04/2016
%Ⅰ
% | f = number of frames.
%| N = number of exponentials.
% | np = number of model parameters = 2N or 2N+1.
💲 USAGE : p = fit_sumExp_lsqnonlin(t,C,Cp,w,p0,dt,doPlot,lowerBounds,upperBounds,algorithm).
옿|
% | INPUT : t
                        Vector of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [(f-1),1], unit (s).
                        t = [t_1; t_2; ...; t_{f-1}].
& I
≗ I
           C
                        Vector with tissue TAC, size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary) e.g. (Bq/cc).
용 |
                        C = [C_1; C_2; ...; C_{f-1}].
옿|
           Cp
                        Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
                        size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
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용|
                        Cp = [Cp_1; Cp_2; ...; Cp_f-1].
% I
                        Vector with frame weights, size [(f-1),1].
                        W = [W_1; W_2; ...; W_{f-1}].
용티
          0q
                       Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit rate const. (1/s). Size [1,np].
%Ⅰ
                       p0 = [p0_1 p0_2 p0_3...p0_np].
%|
옿|
          dt
                       Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
                       Flag to plot fitted solution (1) or not (0).
용티
          doPlot
          lowerBounds Vector with lower bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default zero.
용|
용티
           upperBounds Vector with upper bounds for estimate of p, size [1,np]. Default 100*p0.
                       String with desired fitting algorithm. Default 'trust-region-reflective'.
욯I
           algorithm
욯 I
%| OUTPUT : p
                        Vector with fitted model parameters, size [1,np].
용|
                        p = [p_1 \ p_2 \ p_3...p_np].
용|
옿|
      |Cp | | p1
옿|
         | |---->|
         | |<----|
% |
      C1
         | | p2 |
욯I
      | | p3
% |
용|
      | | |---->|
욯I
      | | |<----|
옿|
      | | | p4 |
옿|
      | p(2N+1) .
% I
      1 1 1 .
                              | Cpet
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용티
용|
   Theoretical model:
           = [p(1)*exp(-p(2)*t) + p(3)*exp(-p(4)*t) + ... + p(2N-1)*exp(-p(2N)*t)] CONV [Cp]
옿|
용|
           = (1-p(2N+1))*C + p(2N+1)*Cp
용티
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interpolateWeights.m

kineticModel_1Tissue_matrix.m

```
%| Generates a response TAC corresponding to the 1-tissue compartment model from a given input of
% | kinetic parameters, frame vector and arterial input function.
%| IH, 19/04/2016
용|
% | f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters = 2.
% | nv = number of voxels.
옿|
% | USAGE : Cpet = kineticModel 1TissueModel matrix(t,dt,Cp,p).
% | INPUT : t
                        Matrix of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [nv,(f-1)], unit (s).
용|
                        t = [t_1, 1 \ t_1, 2 \ \dots \ t_1, f-1]
                             [ \ \cdots \ \ \cdots \ ] \\ [t_nv,1 \ \ \cdots \ \ t_nv,f-1]. 
8 I
% I
                        Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
%Ⅰ
           dt
                        Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
용|
           Cp
용티
                        size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
용|
                        Cp = [Cp 1; Cp 2; ...; Cp f-1].
용|
                        Matrix of model parameter values, size [nv,np], unit rate constants (1/s).
옿|
                        E.g. for the 1-tissue model: param(v,:) = [K1 k2].
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                        p = [p_1, 1 p_1, 2 \dots p_1, np]
٩I
                           [ ... ... ]
%|
                            [p_nv,1 ... p_nv,np].
용|
% | OUTPUT : Cpet
                        Matrix of response tissue TAC, size [nv,(f-1)], unit (same as Cp).
용|
                        Cpet = [Cpet_1,1 Cpet_1,2 ... Cpet_1,f-1 ]
옿|
                              [Cpet_2,1 Cpet_2,2 ... Cpet_2,f-1 ]
용 [
                                               ... Cpet_nv,f-1].
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& I
      | | K1
용|
      | Cp |--|--->|
용티
      | |<-|----| C1 | |
     | | | k2 |__
용|
                           __ | __ |
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옿|
& [
& I
    Theoretical 1-tissue model:
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용|
    | Cpet = [ K1*exp(-k2*t) ] CONV [Cp]
용|
    Note! Blood spillover term is excluded here.
용티
```

kineticModel 2Tissue matrix.m

```
%| Generates a response TAC corresponding to the 2-tissue compartment model from a given input of
% | kinetic parameters, frame vector and arterial input function.
용|
%| IH, 19/04/2016
옿|
% | f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters = 4.
% | nv = number of voxels.
% I
% | USAGE : Cpet = kineticModel 2TissueModel matrix(t,dt,Cp,p).
용|
% | INPUT : t
                        Matrix of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [nv,(f-1)], unit (s).
용|
                         t = [t_1, 1 \ t_1, 2 \ \dots \ t_1, f-1]
                             [ \ \dots \ \ \dots \ ]   [t_nv,1 \ \ \dots \ \ t_nv,f-1]. 
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                            · · · ·
¥Ι
                         Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
욯I
           dt
                         Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
용|
           CD
옿|
                         size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
옿|
                         Cp = [Cp 1; Cp 2; ...; Cp f-1].
용|
           p
                         Matrix of model parameter values, size [nv,np], unit rate constants (1/s). |
용|
                         E.g. for the 2-tissue model: p(v,:) = [K1 k2 k3 k4].
용I
                         p = [p_1, 1 p_1, 2 \dots p_1, np]
                             [ \ \cdots \ \ \cdots \ ] \\ [p\_nv,1 \ \ \cdots \ p\_nv,np]. 
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                         Matrix of response tissue TAC, size [nv, (f-1)], unit (same as Cp).
% | OUTPUT : Cpet
                         Cpet = [Cpet_1,1 Cpet_1,2 ... Cpet_1,f-1 ]
용|
                               [Cpet_2,1 Cpet_2,2 ... Cpet_2,f-1 ]
옿|
                                               ... Cpet_nv,f-1].
용I
                             k3
      | | K1
용티
      | Cp |--|--->|
용티
                           |---->|
      | |<-|----| C1 |<-----| C2
용|
                                            1 1
용|
      | | k2 |____
                           __| k4 |____
용|
           용|
용|
    Theoretical 2-tissue model:
& |
    | alpha1 = 0.5*(k2+k3+k4 - sqrt([k2+k3+k4]^2 - 4*k2*k4))
용티
| alpha2 = 0.5*(k2+k3+k4 + sqrt([k2+k3+k4]^2 - 4*k2*k4))
% | Cpet = K1/(alpha2-alpha1)*[ (k3+k4-alpha1)*exp(-alpha1*t) +
옿|
               (alpha2-k3-k4)*exp(-alpha2*t) ] CONV [ Cp ]
용|
용|
   Note! Blood spillover term is excluded here.
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```

kineticModel FRTM matrix.m

```
% | Generates a response TAC corresponding to the full reference tissue compartment model (FRTM)
% | from a given vector of kinetic parameters, frame vector and reference TAC.
옿|
%| IH, 19/04/2016
용티
% | f = number of frames.
% | n = number of compartments in tissue.
% | np = number of model parameters = 4.
% | nv = number of voxels.
- 8 I
% | USAGE : Cpet = kineticModel_FRTM_matrix(t,dt,Cref,p).
8 I
%| INPUT : t
                          Matrix of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [nv, (f-1)], unit (s).
용|
                          t = [t_1, 1 \ t_1, 2 \ \dots \ t_1, f-1]
옿|
                              [ ... ... ]
용티
                              [t nv,1 ... t nv,f-1].
            dt
                          Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
%Ⅰ
                          Vector with reference tissue TAC corresponding to frame mid times,
% I
            Cref
욯I
                          size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
용|
                          Cref = [Cref_1;Cref_2; ...;Cref_f-1].
용|
            p
                          Matrix of model parameter values, size [nv,np], unit rate constants (1/s).
                          E.g. for the FRTM: param(v,:) = [R1 k2 k3 BPnd].
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용 |
                          p = [p_1, 1 p_1, 2 \dots p_1, np]
                               \begin{bmatrix} \dots & \dots & \dots \\ [p\_nv,1 & \dots & p\_nv,np]. \end{bmatrix} 
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%Ⅰ
                         Matrix of response tissue TAC, size [nv,(f-1)], unit (same as Cref).
% | OUTPUT : Cpet
                          Cpet = [Cpet_1,1 Cpet_1,2 ... Cpet_1,f-1 ]
§ I
용|
                                 [Cpet_2,1 Cpet_2,2 ... Cpet_2,f-1 ]
                                 [ ...
% I
                                                  ... Cpet nv,f-1].
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옿|
                             k3
옿ㅣ
   | | K1
                          |---->|
   | | Cp |---->|
% I
   | | |<-----| C1 |<-----| C2
% I
    | | | k2 |___| k4 |___| |
& I
옿|
                                                | Tissue with specific binding, Cpet
용|
         | K1'
용 [
       옿|
           |---->|
           |<----| C1' |
용|
       | k2' |____
용 [
       _| Reference tissue with non-specific binding, Cref
욯I
% I
용티
    Theoretical FRTM:
옿|
옿|
    | R1
            = K1/K1'
    | BPnd = k3/k4
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   l a
            = (k3+k4-c)(c-r)/u
- R
%| |b
           = (d-k3-k4)(d-r)/u
%| | C
           = (s+u)/2
%| |d.
           = (s-u)/2
%| |u
            = sqrt(s^2-q)
% | q
            = 4k2k4
            = k2/R1
%| | r
& I
            = k2+k3+k4
   | 3
   | \  Cpet = R1*Cref + R1*( [a*Cref] \ CONV \ [exp(-ct)] + [b*Cref] \ CONV \ [exp(-dt)] ) \ |
%Ⅰ
용|
    Reference: A.A. Lammertsma et al., Comparison of methods for analysis of clinical
% I
용|
    raclopride[11C]studies, J. Cereb. Blood Flow Metab. 16(1), 42-52 (1996).
```

kineticModel SRTM matrix.m

```
%| Generates a response TAC corresponding to the simplified reference tissue compartment model (SRTM)
% | from a given input of kinetic parameters, frame vector and reference TAC.
용|
%| IH, 19/04/2016
용|
%| f = number of frames.
% | n = number of compartments in tissue.
%| np = number of model parameters = 3.
% | nv = number of voxels.
용티
%| USAGE : Cpet = kineticModel SRTM matrix(t,dt,Cref,p).
%Ⅰ
% | INPUT : t
                        Matrix of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [nv,(f-1)], unit (s).
옿|
                         t = [t_1, 1 \ t_1, 2 \ \dots \ t_1, f-1]
% I
                            [ ... ... ]
용|
                            [t_nv,1 \dots t_nv,f-1].
                         Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
옿ㅣ
           dt
용티
           Cref
                         Vector with reference tissue TAC corresponding to frame mid times,
옿|
                         size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
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                         Cref = [Cref_1;Cref_2; ...;Cref_f-1].
용|
                         Matrix of model parameter values, size [nv,np], unit rate constants (1/s).
           p
옿|
                         E.g. for the SRTM: param(v,:) = [R1 k2 BPnd].
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                         p = [p_1, 1 p_1, 2 \dots p_1, np]
                             [ \ \dots \ \ \dots \ ] \\ [p\_nv,1 \ \ \dots \ p\_nv,np]. 
용I
% I
옿I
% | OUTPUT : Cpet
                        Matrix of response tissue TAC, size [nv,(f-1)], unit (same as Cref).
                         Cpet = [Cpet 1,1 Cpet 1,2 ... Cpet 1,f-1 ]
%Ⅰ
%∣
                               [Cpet_2,1 Cpet_2,2 ... Cpet_2,f-1 ]
용|
                                               ... Cpet_nv,f-1].
옿|
$ I
   1 1
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         | K1
용|
    | | Cp |---->|
    | | |<----|
용|
용|
           | k2 |
용|
                                      | Tissue with specific binding, Cpet
용|
           | K1'
용|
           |---->|
용I
    1 1
           |<----| C1'
용티
          | k2' |
욯I
    1 1
용|
                              | Reference tissue with non-specific binding, Cref
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용|
    Theoretical SRTM:
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            = K1/K1'
용
  | R1
   | BPnd = k3/k4
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٩I
   | Cpet = R1*Cref + [ (k2-R1*k2/(1+BPnd))*Cref ] CONV [ exp(-k2*t/(1+BPnd)) ] |
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용|
    Reference: A.A. Lammertsma and S.P. Hume, Simplified reference tissue model for PET receptor
    studies, Neuroimage 4, 153-158 (1996).
```

kineticModel sumExp matrix.m

```
%| Generates a response TAC corresponding to an arbitrary sum of exponentials, from a given input of
% | kinetic parameters, frame vector and arterial input function.
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%| IH, 19/04/2016
용|
% | f = number of frames.
% | np = number of model parameters.
% | nv = number of voxels.
% | N = number of exponentials.
용티
%| USAGE : Cpet = kineticModel_sumExp_matrix(t,dt,Cp,p).
% | INPUT : t
                    Matrix of mid frame times (evenly sampled), size [nv, (f-1)], unit (s).
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                    t = [t_1, 1 \ t_1, 2 \ \dots \ t_1, f-1]
                       & I
% I
%Ⅰ
         dt
                     Scalar with frame duration of t, unit (s).
용|
         Cp
                     Vector with AIF values corresponding to frame mid times,
용|
                     size [(f-1),1], unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc).
옿|
                     Cp = [Cp 1; Cp 2; ...; Cp f-1].
용|
                     Matrix of model parameter values, size [nv,np], unit rate constants (1/s).
         р
용|
                     p = [p_1, 1 p_1, 2 \dots p_1, np]
                        [ ... ... ]
[p_nv,1 ... p_nv,np].
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%|
욯I
% | OUTPUT : Cpet
                    Matrix of response tissue TAC, size [nv,(f-1)], unit (same as Cp).
용|
                     Cpet = [Cpet_1,1 Cpet_1,2 ... Cpet_1,f-1 ]
옿|
                         [Cpet_2,1 Cpet_2,2 ... Cpet_2,f-1 ]
용|
                                       ... Cpet_nv,f-1].
                          [ ...
용티
       | Cp | | p1
% [
    | |--|---->|
옾ㅣ
     | |<-|----| C1
%Ⅰ
용|
     | | | p2 |____
        8q | |
용|
     용|
     |--|--->|
         |<-|----| C2
용|
     용|
     | | p4 |_
         1 1 .
& I
     1 1 .
                         | Cpet
옾ㅣ
     % I
용|
% Theoretical sum of exponentials model:
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용티
% | Note! Blood spillover term is excluded here.
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modelFitting main.m

```
%| Fits the dynamic PET data to a kinetic model, producing parametric images (voxel-wise) or a set |
% | of parameters for a ROI.
용티
%| IH, 19/04/2016
용티
% | N = no of kinetic parameters.
% | f = no of frames.
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%| USAGE : paramImage = modelFitting_main('image',image,...
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                                    'model','2tissue',...
                                    'midFrame', [f 1 f 2...f f-1],...
% I
                                    'w', [w 1 w 2...w f-1] or e.g. 'w1', 'ones',...
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                                    'p0',[p0_1 p0_2 ... p0_N],...
욯I
                                    'ROIMask', [nx,ny,nz],...
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                                    'Cp',[cp_1 cp_2...cp_f-1],...
욯I
                                    'CpMask', [nx,ny,nz],...
용 [
                                    'Cref', [c_1 c_2...c_f-1],...
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                                    'CrefMask', [nx,ny,nz],...
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                                    'halflife', scalar in sec,...
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                                    'noExp',scalar,...
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                                    'interpMethod', string, ...
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                                    'solver', string, ...
용티
                                    'lowerBound', [lb_1 lb_2...lb_N],...
용 |
                                    'upperBound', [ub_1 ub_2...ub_N].
용|
% | INPUT : image
                          4D matrix with dynamic image, unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/ml).
욯ㅣ
                          image = [nx, ny, nz, f-1].
                          String of desired kinetic model, '1Tissue', '2Tissue', 'FRTM', 'SRTM',
욯ㅣ
             model
욯I
                          or 'sumExp'.
욯ㅣ
             midFrame
                          Vector with mid frame times, unit (s).
                          midFrame = [f-1,1].
욯I
                          Vector with blood input function to model, unit (arbitrary), e.g.
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                          (Ba/cc).
%|
                          Cp = [(f-1), 1].
                          Vector with reference tissue TAC, unit (arbitrary), e.g. (Bq/cc). Used
             Cref
용티
                          for kinetic models FRTM and SRTM.
-- R I
                          Cref = [(f-1), 1].
- ₽ I
                          Cp = [(f-1), 1].
& I
욯I
             OPTIONAL:
             ROTMask
                         3D matrix with image ROI mask, for an image-derived response function.
% I
% I
                          ROIMask = [nx, ny, nz].
                          3D matrix with Cp ROI mask, for an image-derived input function.
$ I
             CoMask
$ I
                          CpMask = [nx, ny, nz].
$ I
             CrefMask
                          3D matrix with Cref ROI mask, for an image-derived Cref.
% I
                          CrefMask = [nx, ny, nz].
                          String or vector with frame weights, unit (unitless).
옿I
                          w = [(f-1), 1], \text{ or string 'w1', 'w2', ..., 'w6' or 'ones' (default).}
& I
                          Vector with initial parameter guesses, unit (1/s) for rate constants.
             0q
용I
용티
                          p0 = [1,N]. Default 0.01 for all parameters.
ŧ١
             halflife
                          Nuclide halflife in sec, for calculation of some weight types.
                          Scalar between 1-inf. Number of exponentials for model 'sumExp'.
ŧ١
             noExp
             interpMethod String with interpolation method. Default 'linear'.
ŧ١
                          String with desired solver algorith. Default []-->'trust-region-refl'.
ŧ١
            solver
%Ι
            lowerBound
                        Vector with lower bound for parameters, unit (1/s) for rate constants.
%Ι
                          lowerBound = [1,N]. Default 0 for all parameters.
% I
             upperBound
                          Vector with upper bound for parameters, unit (1/s) for rate constants.
                          upperBound = [1,N]. Default 100*p0.
욯ㅣ
용티
% | OUTPUT : paramImage
                          1) No ROIMask: 4D matrix with parametric image (3D image with a 4th
용티
                          parameter dimension), unit (1/s) for rate constants.
                          paramImage = [nx,ny,nz,N].
옿|
용|
                          2) ROIMask specified: vector of parameters for ROI.
옿|
                          paramImage = [1,N].
욯I
```

pickOutTACFromROI.m

recon_fbpSimData_nonUniformSliceSens.m

```
%"recon_fbpSimData_nonUniformSliceSens"
Reconstructs PET-like images via FBP for non-uniform axial sensitivity
% CRS, 08/01/2013
% IH, 19/04/2016
%Usage:

§ [FBP] = recon_fbpSimData_nonUniformSliceSens(nFWPTtotal, RS, CTAC, POST, wcc, radBin, tanBin, simSize, zSlice)

     nFWPTtotal = Projection data
    RS
           = scatter + random projection reference data
    CTAC
           = CT attenuation correction data
    POST
           = FWHM of post filter
            = "Well-counter correction"
     WCC
            = radial bins, tanBin, simSize, zSlice
     VOX
```

recon_osemSimData_nonUniformSliceSens.m

```
%"recon_osemSimData_nonUniformSliceSens"
Reconstructs PET-like images via OS-MLEM for non-uniform axial sensitivity
% CRS, 09/18/2013
% IH, 19/04/2016
%Usage:
§ [OS] = recon osemSimData nonUniformSliceSens(nFWPTtotal,RS,CTAC,POST,wcc,radBin,tanBin,
simSize, zSlice, iterNUM, reconType)
    nFWPTtotal = Projection data
ş
    RS = scatter + random projection reference data
ş
    CTAC
            = CT attenuation correction data
    POST
            = FWHM of post filter
ş
            = "Well-counter correction"
ş.
    WCC
ş.
    radBin = radial bins
ş
    tanBin
             = projection bins
ş
    simSize = Final image size
    zSlice
             = number of slices
     iterNUM
             = number of iterations
옿
     subNUM = number of subsets
```

$recon_osem PSF Sim Data_non Uniform Slice Sens.m$

```
%"recon_osemPSFSimData_nonUniformSliceSens"
Reconstructs PET-like images via OSEM w/ psf for non-uniform axial sensitivity
% CRS, 08/01/2013
% IH, 19/04/2016
%Usage:
% [OS] = recon_osemPSFSimData_nonUniformSliceSens(nFWPTtotal,
RS, CTAC, PSF, POST, wcc, radBin, tanBin, simSize, zSlice, iterNUM, reconType)
    nFWPTtotal = Projection data
    RS
ક
           = scatter + random projection reference data
    CTAC
            = CT attenuation correction data
ક
    PSF
            = FWHM of PSF
ş
    POST
            = FWHM of post filter
옿
            = "Well-counter correction"
용
    WCC
    radBin = radial bins
    tanBin = projection bins
용
    simSize = Final image size
용
    zSlice = number of slices
용
    iterNUM = number of iterations
```