

EEGpal: File Cut tool

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Video tutorial: <https://youtu.be/zFsoif9cIR8>

The File Cut tool enables you to remove unwanted sections, such as pauses, and to separate different parts of the EEG signal. To define your bins, you need either a start and end trigger/marker, or a duration in seconds.

By default, the module creates separate files for each bin, along with a corresponding marker file, relative to the input. You can combine these bins into a single file (or up to three files) using the concatenate option. The output files can be stored in either a single folder or separate folders.

Start_Trigger	End_Option_Trigger	End_Option_Duration	End_Point(trigger number or s)	Suffix_String	Concatenate
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6	<missing>	1
7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8	<missing>	1
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	60	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
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0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0
0	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	0	<missing>	0

Start_trigger : Enter the value of the trigger which will mark the beginning of the subfile (can have several occurrence)
End_Option_Trigger: Select if the End_Point is a trigger
End_option_Duration: Select if the End_Point is fix duration (in s) after the Strat_Trigger
End_point: either trigger number, either duration in s, either NaN until the end of the file
Suffix_String: Custom suffix identifier in the output file name
Concatenate: Put integer between 1 to 3 (max) to concatenate segments (for example all segments with the value 1 will be concatenate) - work only if option 'Concatenate' is activated on the left

Save table as ...
Load table ...

OUTPUT OPTIONS

☒ Concatenate different segments according the 'Concatenate' Column (max 3 output files). It also permit to concatenate segments when the same 'Start_Trigger' is present in the input file.

Suffix_Concatenate_1
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Suffix_Concatenate_2

Suffix_Concatenate_3

Extension of output files: .sef

Select uppermost folder where to save the files: Select folder

Saving folder: D:\FND_lab\temp_EEG_data\FileCut

Saving option:
☒ Save in separate folders
☐ Save in the same folder

APPLY
Run Save in memory Cancel

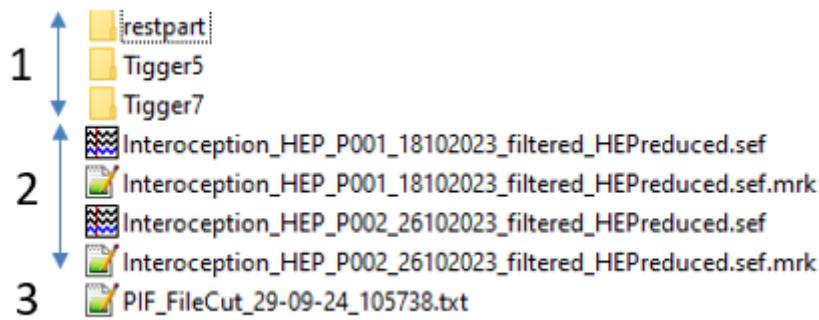
1. Enter the trigger/marker to set the start point of your bin.
2. Choose between these two options:
 - a. *End_option_trigger* if you want to use a trigger/marker to delimitate the end of your bin
 - b. *End_option_duration* if you want to specify a duration from the start trigger/marker to delimitate the end of your bin
3. Specify the delimitation of you bin according to the option 2 (in this example, the two first line a trigger/marker and the third a duration in second).
4. You can specify a suffix in the output file name. If you leave the text <missing> it will use the trigger number as suffix (in the current example of line 1-2, the suffix file name will be Trigger 5 and Trigger 6).

5. Specify which bins must be concatenate into a file. You can specify a number between 1-3. Bins with same number will be concatenate (see option 7). If you leave the value 0, no concatenation will occur on that bin.
6. You can save the options table 1-5 in a *_FileCutTable.csv* file. It can be reloaded if you want to retrieve the options for a further processing.
7. To concatenate bins according to the parameters specified in 5, you must tick this option. Then you can specify the suffix in the output filename for each of the three possible concatenations.
8. Choose the output file format.
9. Select the output folder where files will be saved.
10. Choose if you want that bins are saved in subfolder or not
11. There are three validation buttons:
 - a. The **Run** button will carry out the processing parameterized in the FileCut module.
 - b. The **Save in memory** button will store all the parameters in memory and close the FileCut module without performing the processing.
 - c. The button **Cancel** closes the module without processing and without keeping the entered parameters in memory. The same effect will be achieved by closing the FileCut module window.

WARNING: the new created files are not sent to the main EEGpal windows. You will need to import them manually.

FAQ

What the output looks like?



1. Subfolder for each bin
2. Concatenate file per participant
3. PIF file