

# OpenMEEG

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Analysis toolboxes for MEG data

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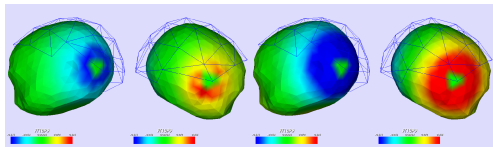
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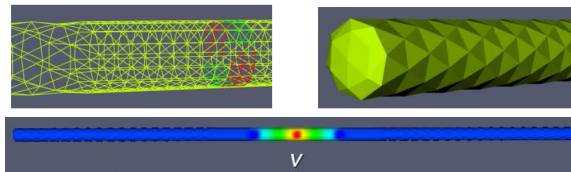
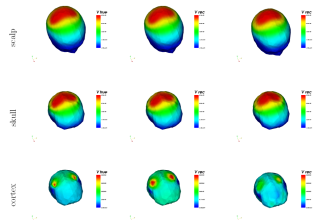


**Our aim: make you want to use it !**

# Not limited to EEG and MEG

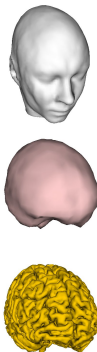


- ▶ Electrical Impedance Tomography
- ▶ Cortical Mapping
- ▶ ECoG
- ▶ Functional Electrical Stimulation
- ▶ Intracortical electrodes



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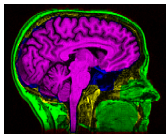
⇒ **Use OpenMEEG for what it's meant for ! (Forward Problem)**

**Developers' goal:**  
**make OpenMEEG easy to integrate into other packages.**  
(and goal of this Satellite: to foster communication !)

# OpenMEEG facts

## Methodology

- ▶ Galerkin Boundary element formulation
- ▶ Symmetric Boundary Element Method, involving both Potential  $V$  and normal current  $\sigma \partial_n V$  as unknowns



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# OpenMEEG facts

## Software

- ▶ C++ Source code, started in 2006
- ▶ Multiplatform (binaries, cmake, Subversioning)
- ▶ Matlab i/o
- ▶ Python wrapping, Fieldtrip integration, etc.
- ▶ Open-source, CeCiLL-B license
  - ▶ Similar to, and compatible with GPL
  - ▶ **Citation duty**

[Gramfort, Papadopoulos, Olivi, Clerc, *OpenMEEG: opensource software for quasistatic bioelectromagnetics*, Biomedical Engineering Online, 2010, 9:45]

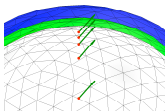
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More at: <http://openmeeeg.gforge.inria.fr/>

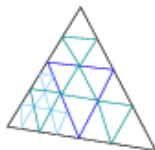


# Why use OpenMEEG ?

## State of the art accuracy.



- ▶ more unknowns ( $V$  and  $\sigma \partial_{\mathbf{n}} V$ )
- ▶ domain-oriented
- ▶ adaptive numerical integration



Accuracy compared to analytical solutions using

$$RDM(g_n, g_a) = \left\| \frac{g_n}{\|g_n\|} - \frac{g_a}{\|g_a\|} \right\| \in [0, 2] ,$$

and

$$MAG(g_n, g_a) = \frac{\|g_n\|}{\|g_a\|} .$$

# Accuracy comparison for EEG

## BEM solvers tested:

OM OpenMEEG

OMNA OM non adaptive

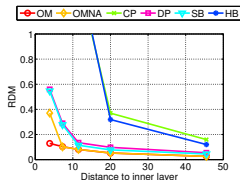
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DP Fieldtrip / Dipoli

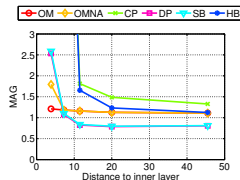
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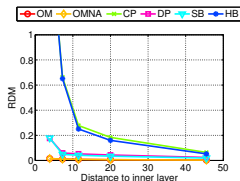
## EEG (regular meshes)



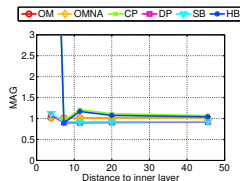
RDM 162 points/interface



MAG 162 points/interface



RDM 642 points/interface



MAG 642 points/interface

# Accuracy comparison for EEG

## EEG

(100 random meshes)

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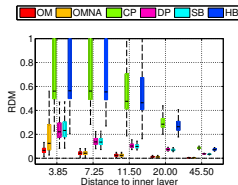
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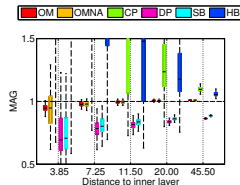
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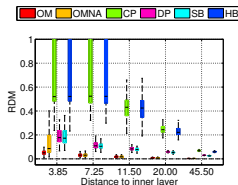
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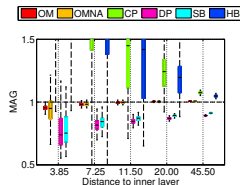
RDM 600 points/interface



MAG 600 points/interface



RDM 800 points/interface



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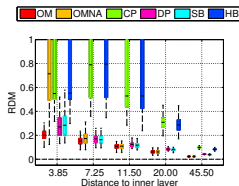
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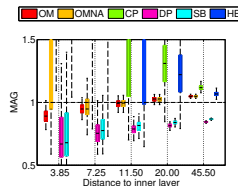
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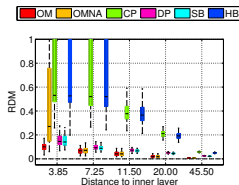
(100 random meshes)



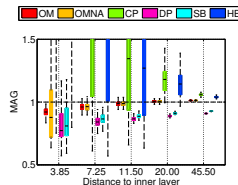
RDM with 1500 unknowns



MAG with 1500 unknowns



RDM with 3000 unknowns



MAG with 3000 unknowns

# Accuracy comparison for MEG

MEG, **radial** gradiometers  
(100 random meshes)

**BEM solvers tested:**

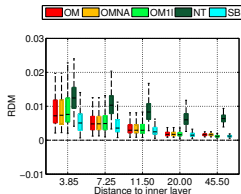
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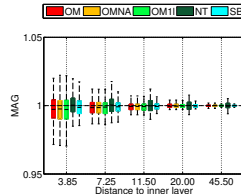
OM1 OM one layer

NT Nolte

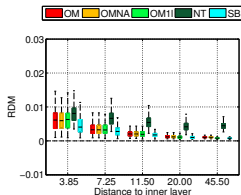
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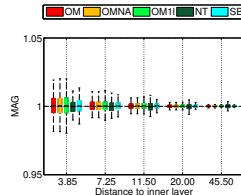
RDM with 600 unknowns



MAG with 600 unknowns



RDM 800 points/interface



MAG 800 points/interface

# Accuracy comparison for MEG

## MEG, **non-radial** gradiometers (100 random meshes)

### BEM solvers tested:

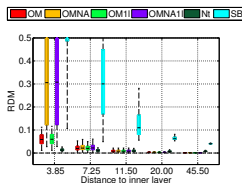
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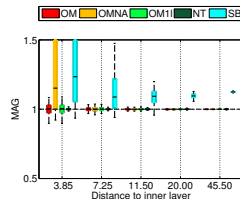
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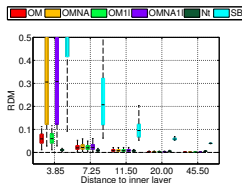
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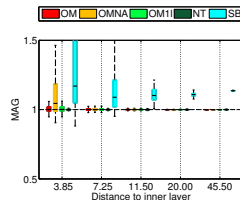
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MAG 800 points/interface

# Computation time for EEG

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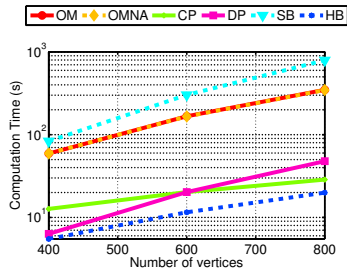
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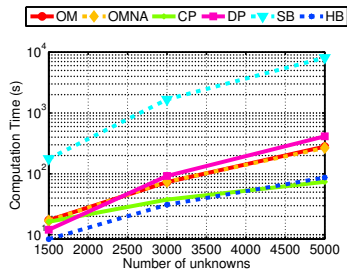
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as a function of number of vertices



as a function of number of unknowns



# How to use OpenMEEG

First define:

- ▶ **Head model**

- ▶ closed nested meshes (any number)
- ▶ conductivities

- ▶ **Sensor model**

- ▶ EEG: positions projected to scalp surface
- ▶ MEG: positions and weights ( $\rightarrow$  mag. or grad.)

- ▶ **Source model**

- ▶ list of dipole positions and moments
- ▶ surface describing dipole positions, normal to surface.

OpenMEEG commands available through

- ▶ **Command-line** interface
- ▶ **Python** scripts
- ▶ **Matlab/Fieldtrip** integration





# Data structure

\*.geom - Geometry description file

| # Domain description  |      | Header  |
|---|------|---|
| Interfaces 3 Mesh   |      | 3 Interfaces of type mesh   |
| /home/meshes/brain_surface.tri<br>/home/meshes/skull_surface.tri<br>/home/meshes/head_surface.tri |      | Meshes path   |
| Domains 4   |      | 4 Domains<br>(describe head geometry)   |
| Domain Brain  | -1   | Cortex domain is:<br>- internal to surface 1 (-1)<br>- internal to other surfaces |
| Domain Skull  | -2 1 |   |
| Domain Skin   | -3 2 | Skin domain is:<br>- internal to surface 3 (-3)<br>- external to surface 2 (-2)   |
| Domain Air  | 3    |   |
|   |      | Air domain is:<br>- external to surface 3 (2)                                     |

Domain names

Sample geometry file

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\*.cond - Conductivity description file

| # Properties Description 1.0 (Conductivities) |
|---|
| Brain 1<br>Skin 1<br>Air 0<br>Skull 0.0125    |

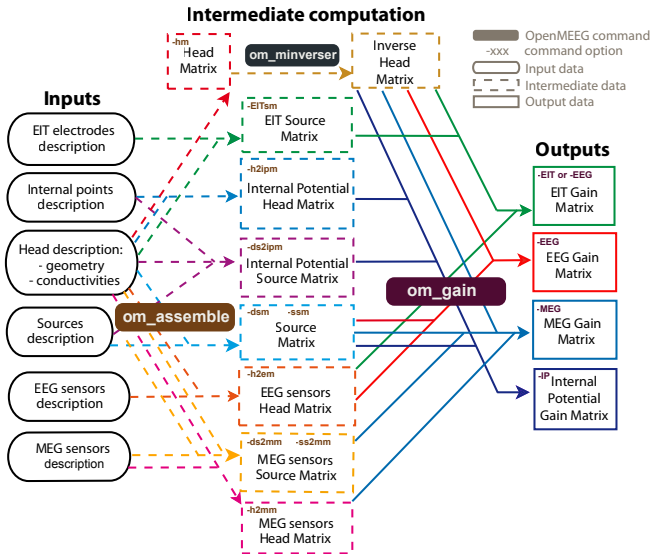
Sample conductivity file

Dipoles positions and orientations description file

|                                  |                 |  |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 0 0 0.4250                       | 0.7071 0 0.7071 | Dipole 3:<br>- position : (0, 0, 0.7650)<br>- orientation: (0.7071, 0, 0.7071) |
| 0 0 0.6800                       | 0.7071 0 0.7071 |  |
| 0 0 0.7650                       | 0.7071 0 0.7071 |  |
| 0 0 0.8075                       | 0.7071 0 0.7071 |  |
| 0 0 0.8415                       | 0.7071 0 0.7071 |  |
| Positions: Cartesian coordinates |                 | Orientations: Cartesian coordinates<br>of moment direction                     |

Sample source file

# Generating Lead-Fields



# Example scripts

## EEG gain matrix:

```
om_assemble -HeadMat head.geom head.cond head.hm
om_assemble -SSM head.geom head.cond sources.tri head.ssm
om_assemble -h2em head.geom head.cond head.eegsensors head.h2em
om_minverser head.hm head.hm_inv
om_gain -EEG head.hm_inv head.ssm head.h2em head.gain
```

## MEG gain matrix

```
om_assemble -HeadMat head.geom head.cond head.hm
om_assemble -DSM head.geom head.cond sources.dip head.dsm
om_assemble -h2mm head.geom head.cond head.squids head.h2mm
om_assemble -ds2mm sources.dip head.squids head.ds2mm
om_minverser head.hm head.hm_inv
om_gain -MEG head.hm_inv head.dsm head.h2mm head.ds2mm head.gain
```

# OpenMEEG with Python (EEG leadfield)

```
import openmeeg as om
# Load data
cond_file = 'om_demo.cond'
geom_file = 'om_demo.geom'
dipole_file = 'cortex.dip'
electrodes_file = 'eeg_electrodes.txt'

geom = om.Geometry()
geom.read(geom_file, cond_file)
dipoles = om.Matrix()
dipoles.load(dipole_file)
electrodes = om.Sensors()
electrodes.load(electrodes_file)

# Compute forward problem (Build Gain Matrices)
gauss_order = 3 # Numerical integration order

hm      = om.HeadMat(geom, gauss_order)
hminv   = hm.inverse()
dsm     = om.DipSourceMat(geom, dipoles, gauss_order)
h2em    = om.Head2EEGMat(geom, electrodes)
gain_eeg = om.GainEEG(hminv, dsm, h2em)
```

# OpenMEEG with Fieldtrip (EEG leadfield)

```
%% The structure for the BEM volume conduction model
%% Each layer mesh is indexed by k
% vol.bnd(k).pnt : contains vertices for mesh "k"
% vol.bnd(k).tri : contains triangles for mesh "k"
%% Set the conductivities of each domain
% vol.cond       : contains conductivities

%% EEG electrodes
% sens.pnt       : contains locations of electrodes

%% Positions of the dipoles
% pos            : contains locations of dipoles

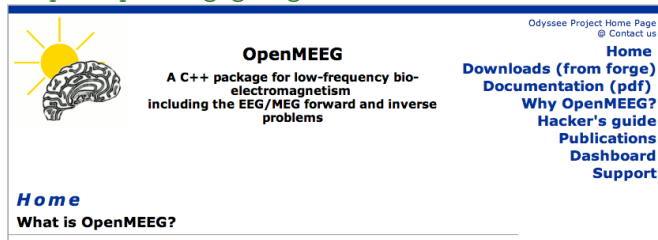
%% Compute the BEM
% choose BEM method (OpenMEEG, BEMCP or Dipoli)
cfg.method = 'openmeeg';
% Compute the BEM matrix
vol = ft_prepare_bemmodel(cfg, vol);
cfg.vol = vol;
cfg.grid.pos = pos;
cfg.elec = sens;
% Compute leadfield (no orientation constraint)
lf_openmeeg = ft_prepare_leadfield(cfg);
```

# How to download OpenMEEG

Latest release (March 25, 2010): **OpenMEEG 2.0**

- ▶ From the forge:

<http://openmeeg.gforge.inria.fr/>



- ▶ anonymous download of source code:  
[svn checkout svn://scm.gforge.inria.fr/svn/openmeeg](svn://scm.gforge.inria.fr/svn/openmeeg)
- ▶ or download binaries for your OS  
Supported OS: [Windows](#), [Linux](#), [Mac OS X](#)

# For more info

- ▶ Talks (Wednesday):

- W-4.1 *The symmetric BEM: bringing in more variables for better accuracy*

- W-4.3 *The adjoint method for general EEG and MEG sensor-based lead field*

- ▶ Posters (Wednesday):

- W-I T3-11 *Domain decomposition for coupling finite and boundary element methods*

- W-I T3-6 *Evaluation of free BEM solvers for accurate M/EEG forward modeling*

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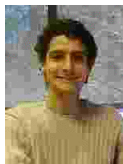
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