### Écolé d'eté CINQ/RBIQ, 2017

### Welcome to NeuroPype

Dmitrii Altukhov, Karim Jerbi, David Meunier and Annalisa Pascarella

### May 16th, 2017











## NeuroPype

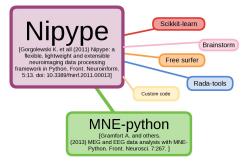
**NeuroPype** is an **open-source** multi-modal brain data analysis kit which provides **Python-based pipelines** for advanced **multi-thread processing** of fMRI, MEG and EEG data, with a focus on **connectivity and graph analyses**.

NeuroPype is based on **Nipype** framework, a tool developed in fMRI field, which facilitates data analyses by wrapping many commonly-used neuro-imaging software into a **common python framework** 

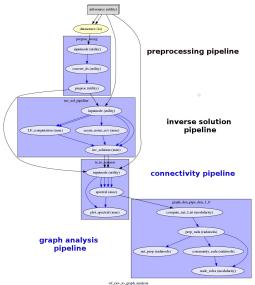
## NeuroPype packages

NeuroPype includes three different packages:

- neuropype\_ephy includes pipelines for electrophysiology data analysis
- neuropype\_graph allows to study functional connectivity exploiting graph-theoretical metrics including also modular partitions
- neuropype\_cli is a command line interface for neuropype\_ephy package



## NeuroPype: from raw MEG/EEG to graph properties



- NeuroPype provides a very common and fast framework to develop workflows for advanced data analyses
- Each pipeline could be used standalone or as lego of a bigger workflow
- Pipelines are defined by nodes
  - wrapping of existing software
  - wrapping of function defined by the user
- Example of workflow created by using NeuroPype: from MEG raw data to spectral connectivity and graph theoretical analysis in source space

### Nipype



< Articles

#### ORIGINAL RESEARCH ARTICLE

Front. Neuroinform., 22 August 2011 | https://doi.org/10.3389/fninf.2011.00013

#### Nipype: a flexible, lightweight and extensible neuroimaging data processing framework in Python

Krzysztof Gorgolewskii\*, Christopher D. Burns², Cindee Madison², Dav Clark³, Yaroslav O. Halchenko¹, Michael L. Waskom⁵ and Satrajit S. Ghosh²

- Neuroinformatics and Computational Neuroscience Doctoral Training Centre, School of Informatics, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK
- <sup>2</sup> Helen Wills Neuroscience Institute; University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA
- <sup>3</sup> Department of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA
- <sup>4</sup> Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH, USA
- <sup>6</sup> Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA
- <sup>6</sup> McGovern Institute for Brain Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA
- <sup>7</sup> Research Laboratory of Electronics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA

Current neuroimaging software offer users an incredible opportunity to analyze their data in different ways, with different underlying assumptions. Several sophisticated software packages (e.g., AFNI, BrainVoyager, FSI, FreeSurfer, Nipr, R, SFM) are used to process and analyze large and often diverse (highly multi-dimensional) data. However, this heterogeneous collection of specialized applications creates several issues that hinder replicable, efficient, and optimal use of neuroimanien analysis sorveates. It (1) No uniform access to neuroimagine analysis sorveates and usage information: (2)

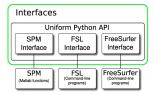
### Nipype

- The workflow design is based on the Nipype framework
- Nipype (Neuroimaging in Python: Pipelines and Interfaces) is an open-source, community developed, Python based software package that easily interfaces with existing software for efficient analysis of neuroimaging data and rapid comparative development of algorithms.
- Nipype provides Interfaces to existing neuroimaging software with uniform semantics and facilitates interactions between these packages using Workflow



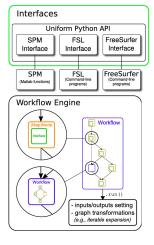
## Nipype: Neuroimaging in Python Pipelines and Interfaces

### Nipype: 3 main components



**Interfaces to external tools** that provide a unified way for setting inputs, executing and retrieving outputs

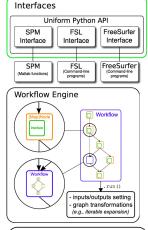
### Nipype: 3 main components



**Interfaces to external tools** that provide a unified way for setting inputs, executing and retrieving outputs

a workflow engine that allows to create analysis pipelines by connecting inputs and outputs of interfaces as a directed acyclic graph (DAG)

## Nipype: 3 main components



**Interfaces to external tools** that provide a unified way for setting inputs, executing and retrieving outputs

a workflow engine that allows to create analysis pipelines by connecting inputs and outputs of interfaces as a directed acyclic graph (DAG)

Execution Plugins

S/OGE (MultiProc) (Linear)

Torque (IPython) (SSH)

**plug-ins** that **execute workflows** either locally or in a distributed processing environment

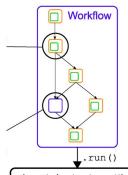
### Interfaces and Nodes



To be used in a Workflow the Interfaces are encapsulated in Node objects

- each Node is characterized by its unique name and has a least one input and one output
- the Nodes execute the underlying Interface in their own uniquely named directories
  - mechanism to isolate and track the outputs resulting from the Interface execution

### Workflow



- inputs/outputs setting
- graph transformations (e.g., iterable expansion)

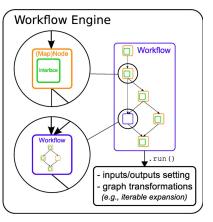
Interfaces encapsulated into Nodes can be connected together within a Workflow

- by connecting the outputs of some Node to inputs of another one, the user implicitly specifies dependencies
- to run the Workflow one simply call its .run() method

### The workflow engine

- validates that each Node has a unique name
- checks if all mandatory inputs are set
- cheks if all dependencies are satisfied

### Workflow and Nodes



- Node provides also a easy way to implement functions defined by the user
- Workflow themselves can be a Node of the Workflow graph

## Summary

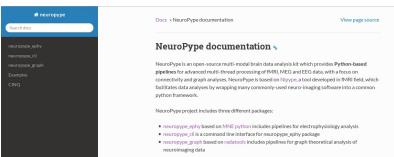
### Main steps to develop a workflow in nipype framework

- create a Workflow object
- create Nodes objectdefine the connections betwenn the Nodes
- run the Workflow object!



## Neuropype Packages

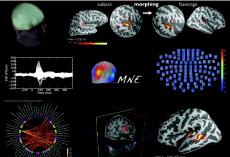
### NeuroPype online tutorial



## NeuroPype-ephy

**NeuroPype-ephy** is a package based on **MNE-python** software http://martinos.org/mne/ and includes pipelines for **electrophysiology** data analysis. Current implementations allow for

- MEG/EEG data import
- MEG/EEG data pre-processing and cleaning by an automatic removal of eyes and heart related artefacts
- sensor or source-level connectivity analyses



# NeuroPype-graph

**NeuroPype-graph** is a package based on **radatools** software http://deim.urv.cat/ sergio.gomez/radatools.php and includes pipelines for **graph theoretical analysis of neuroimaging data**. Current implementations allow to construct pipelines

- from nifti 4D (after preprocessing) to connectivity matrices
- from connectivity matrices to graph analysis
- from integer matrices (normally coclassification matrices) to graph analysis







## NeuroPype-cli

### Command line interface for neuropype\_ephy

```
/media/dmalt/DATAS/metorprobe/data
) neuropype -p MultiProc -n 4 ep2ts conn -b 16 25 -m imcoh -m plv -s 1000 input ./*/*/CONTROL_FM/*.fif
```

Key idea: Use globbing to improve flexibility of the pipeline

- Flexible input
- Connect nodes on the go
- Same pattern for launching remotely
- Works on clusters
- help pages for each option and command







### Can I use NeuroPype on

• raw MEG, EEG data?



### Can I use NeuroPype on

• raw MEG, EEG data? YES



- raw MEG, EEG data? YES
- time series of data in sensor or source space?



- raw MEG, EEG data? YES
- time series of data in sensor or source space? YES

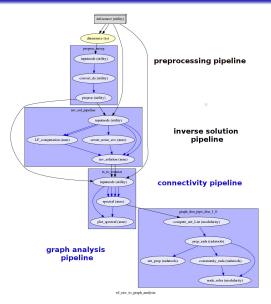


- raw MEG, EEG data? YES
- time series of data in sensor or source space? YES
- connectivity matrices?



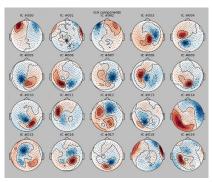
- raw MEG, EEG data? YES
- time series of data in sensor or source space? YES
- connectivity matrices? YES

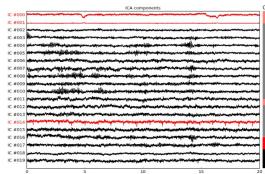
### Workflow example



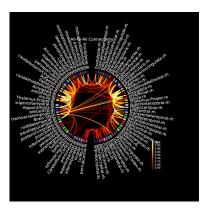
From MEG raw data to spectral connectivity and graph theoretical analysis in source space

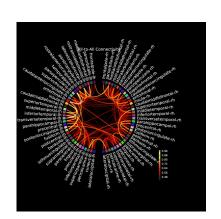
## Visualization - preprocessing



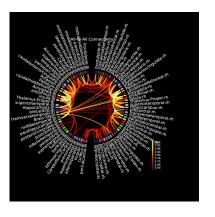


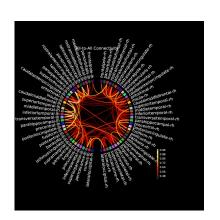
## Visualization - connectivity on source space





## Visualization - modular graphs





## Advantages and strengths

- Multi-threading
- Caching
- Access to numerous python-wrappers for image analysis
- Multimodal analyses
- open-source and free

## NeuroPype Team and collaborators

Karim Jerbi



**Dmitrii Altukhov** 



**David Meunier** 



Annalisa Pascarella



CoCo lab users and collaborators



### Reference

Bullmore E, Sporns O (2009) Complex brain networks: graph theoretical analysis of structural and functional systems, Nat Rev Neurosci 10:186-198

Gorgolewski K, Burns CD, Madison C, Clark D, Halchenko YO, Waskom ML, Ghosh SS (2011) Nipype: a flexible, lightweight and extensible neuroimaging data processing framework in Python, Front. Neuroinform. 5:13. doi:10.3389/fninf.2011.00013

Gramfort A, Luessi M, Larson E, Engemann D A, Strohmeier D, Brodbeck C, Parkkonen L and Hämäläinen M (2014), MNE software for processing MEG and EEG data, Neuroimage, 86, 446-460

Gramfort A, Luessi M, Larson E, Engemann D A, Strohmeier D, Brodbeck C, Goj R, Jas M, Brooks T, Parkkonen L and Hämäläinen M (2013), MEG and EEG data analysis with MNE-Python, Frontiers in Neuroscience