

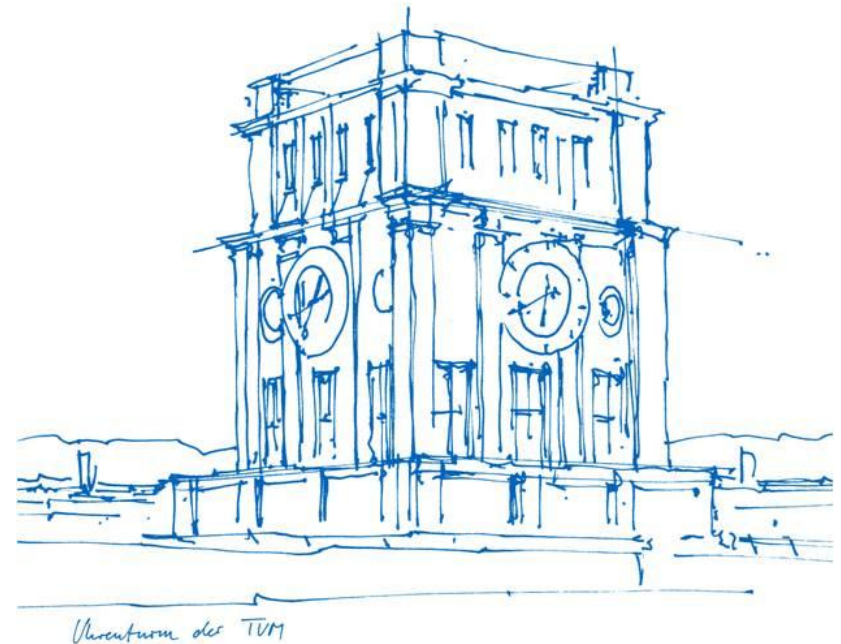
# T1 and DWI data processing pipeline

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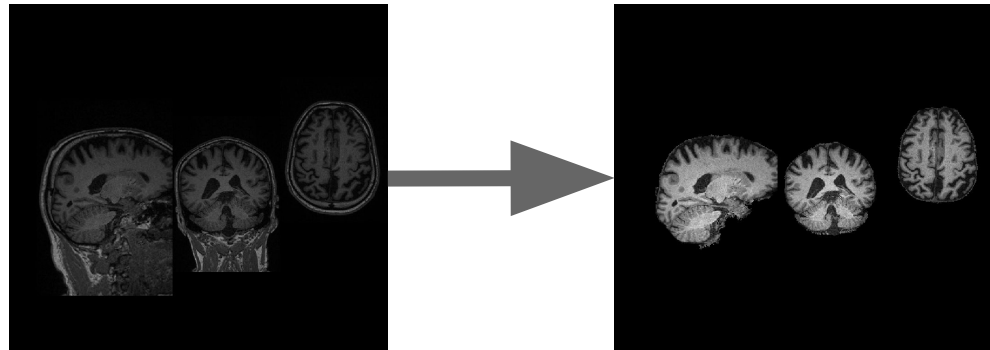


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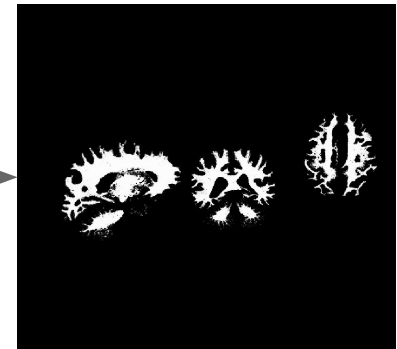
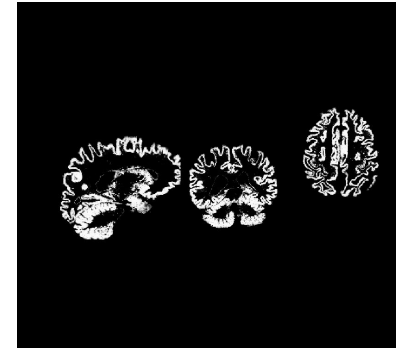
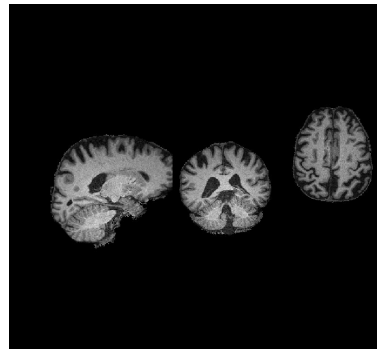
# T1 Processing: Extraction

- Input :
  - MRI T1 images
- Output:
  - Brain Region



# T1 Processing: Segmentation

- Input :
  - Extracted Brain from T1
- Output:
  - Grey Matter
  - White matter
  - Cerebrospinal Fluid
  - Bone
  - Soft tissue
  - Others



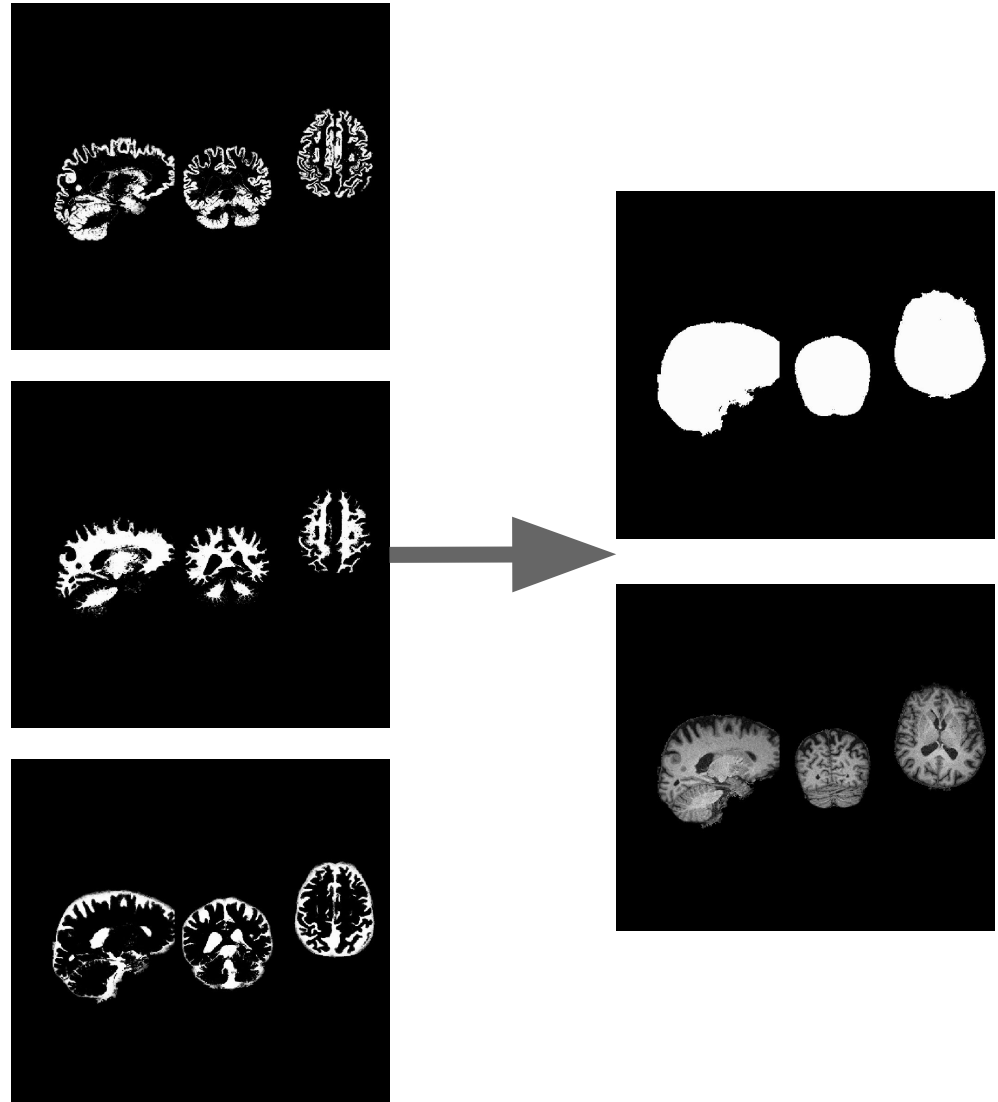
# T1 Processing: Reconstruction

- Input :

- Grey Matter
- White matter
- Cerebrospinal Fluid

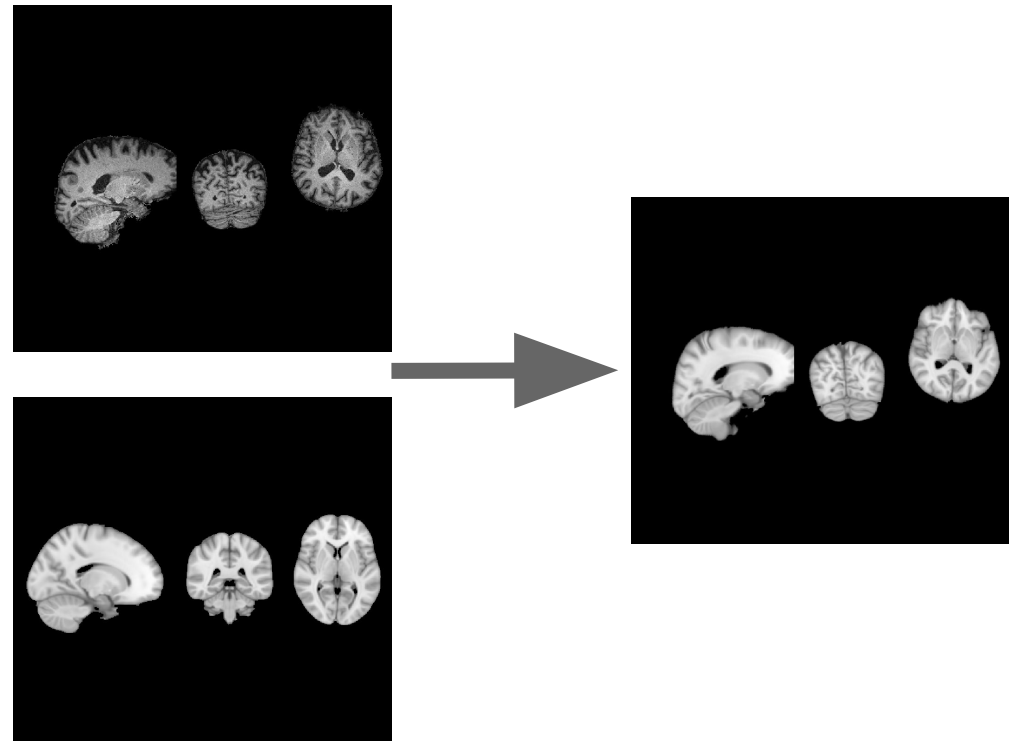
- Output:

- Reconstructed brain
- Brain Mask



# T1 Processing: Registration - MNI152

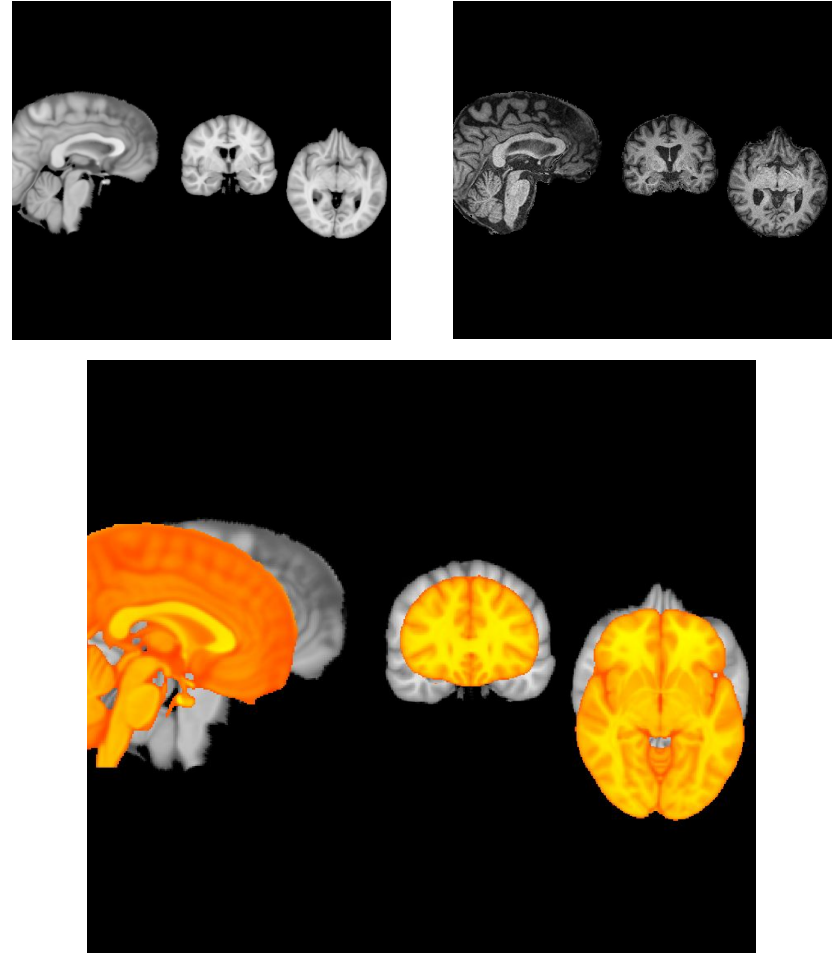
- Input :
  - MNI152\_T1\_1mm
  - Reference:  
Reconstructed brain
- Output:
  - Registered image
  - Registration matrix



# T1 Processing: Registration - MNI152

## Comparison

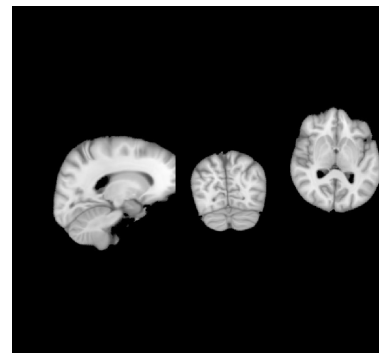
- Top right:
  - Reconstructed brain from T1
- Top left:
  - MNI152\_T1\_1mm\_brain after registration
- Bottom:
  - MNI152\_T1\_1mm\_brain
  - Yellow: before registration
  - Grey: after registration



# T1 Processing: Atlas - AAL2

- Input :

- rAAL2\_1mm
- Reference:  
Reconstructed brain



- Output:

- Atlas brain region
- Transform matrix

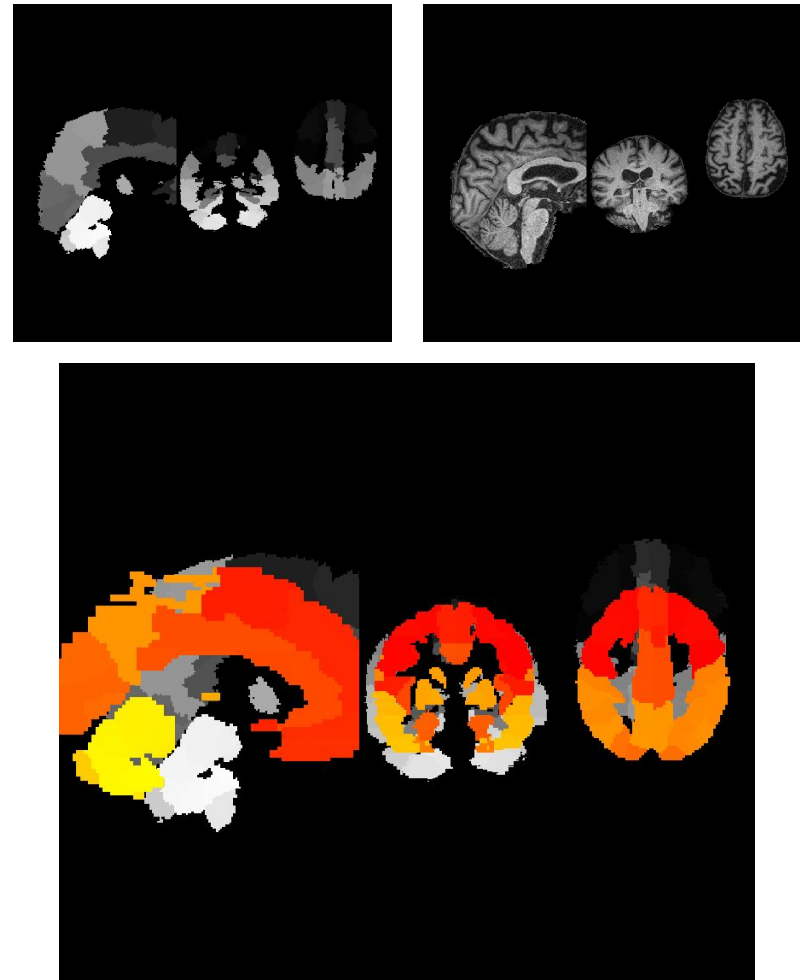




# T1 Processing: Atlas - AAL2

## Comparison

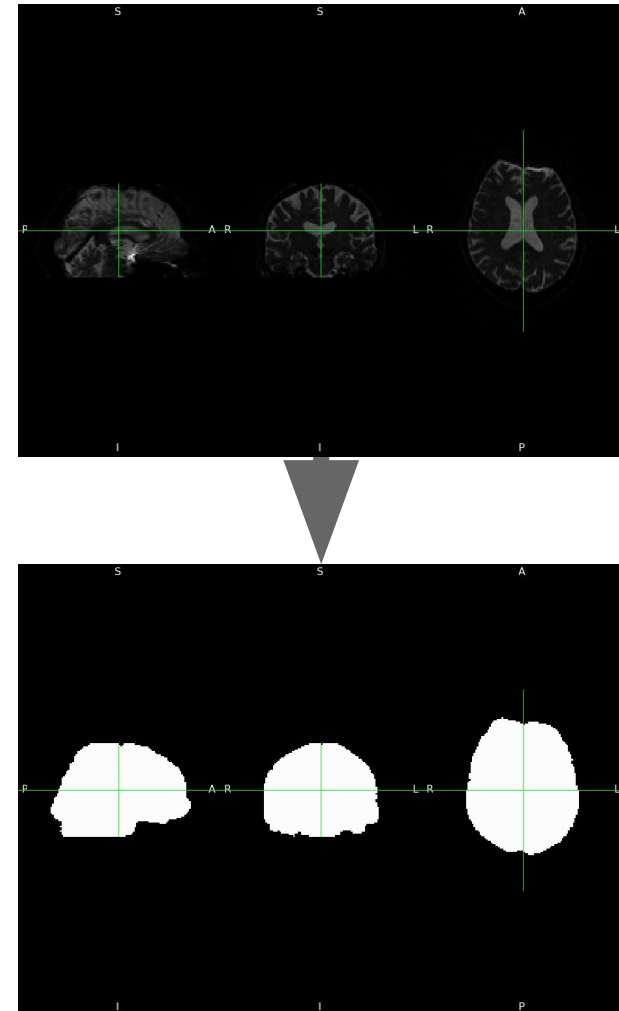
- Top right:
  - Reconstructed brain from T1
- Top Left:
  - rAAL2\_1mm afer atlas
- Bottom:  
rAAL2\_1mm
  - Yellow: before registration
  - Grey: after registration



# DWI Processing: Extraction

## Extraction **without** Field Map

- Input :
  - DWI images
- Output:
  - Brain Mask

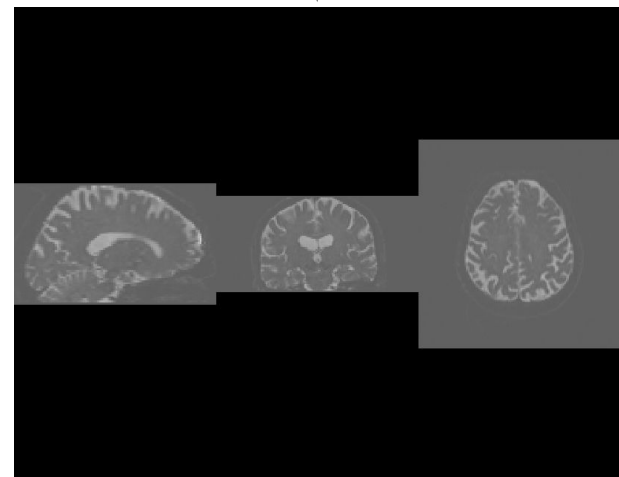
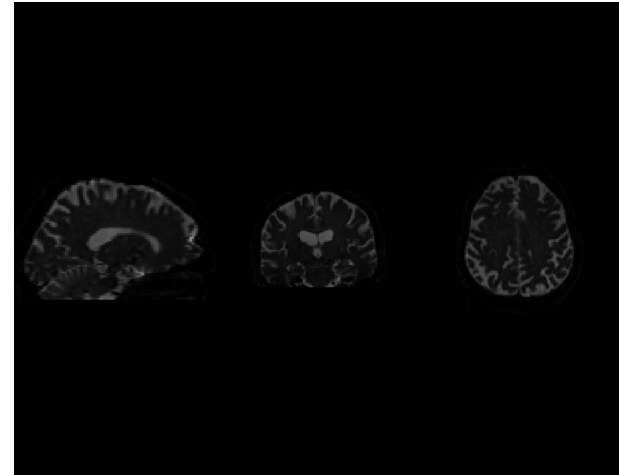


# DWI Processing: Extraction

Extraction **with** Field Map:

Step 1 - Distortion Correction:

- Why?
  - Eddy current

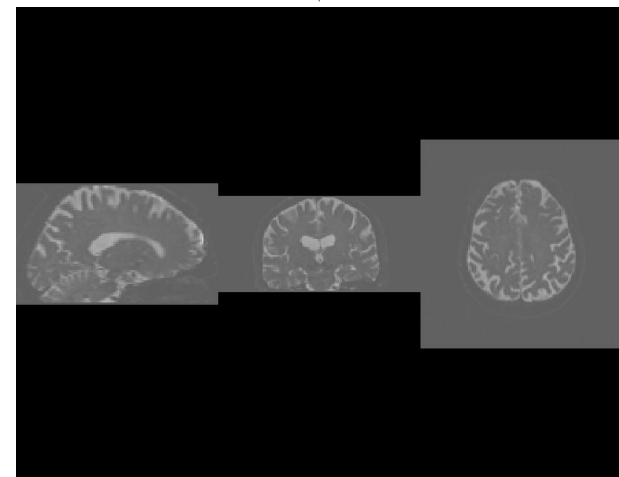
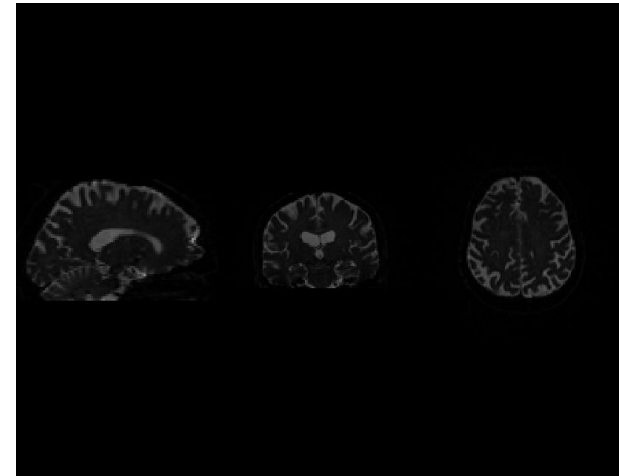


# DWI Processing: Extraction

Extraction **with** Field Map:

Step 1 - Distortion Correction:

- Input :
  - DWI images
- Output:
  - Corrected images

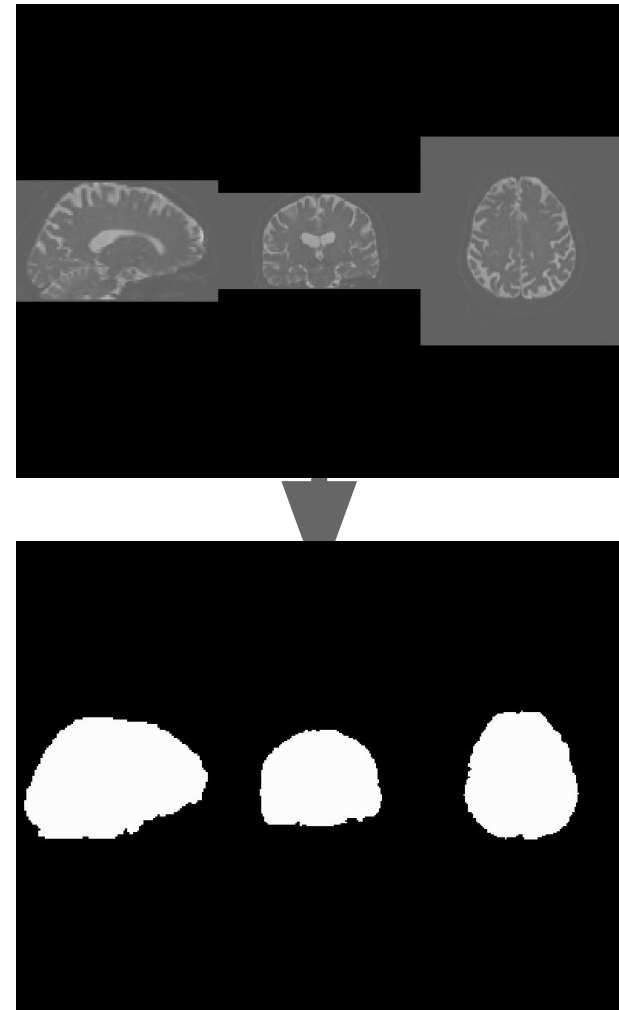


# DWI Processing: Extraction

Extraction **with** Field Map:

Step 2 - Extraction after Eddy:

- Input :
  - Corrected images
- Output:
  - Brain Mask



# DWI Processing: Extraction

## Comparison

- Background Red Mask:
  - With Field Map
- Foreground White Mask:
  - Without Field Map



# DWI Processing: Tractography

Step 1 - bedpostx: It creates all the files necessary for running probabilistic tractography

- Input:
  - Brain Mask
  - B Value
  - B Vector
- Method
  - Bayesian Estimation
  - Markov Chain
  - Monte Carlo sampling
- Output:
  - distributions on diffusion parameters at each voxel.

# DWI Processing: Tractography

Step 1 - bedpostx: It creates all the files necessary for running probabilistic tractography

- Bayesian Estimation

$$\pi(\theta | x) \propto f(x|\theta) \times \pi(\theta)$$

$$\text{posterior} \propto \text{likelihood} \times \text{prior}$$

The probability of the white fiber orientation is related to the likely hood of the data multiply  
the biology prior



# DWI Processing: Tractography

Step 1 - bedpostx: It creates all the files necessary for running probabilistic tractography

- Markov Chain

$$P(X_{t+1} = x | X_0, \dots, X_t) = P(X_{t+1} = x | X_t)$$

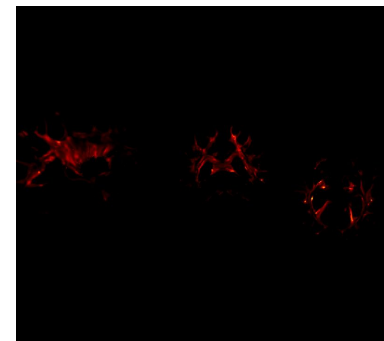
future evolution is conditionally independent of the past given the present

The future white fiber orientation is only related to the current state

# DWI Processing: Tractography

Step 2 - PROBTRACKX: Calculate the similarity of voxels nearby to get the connectivity

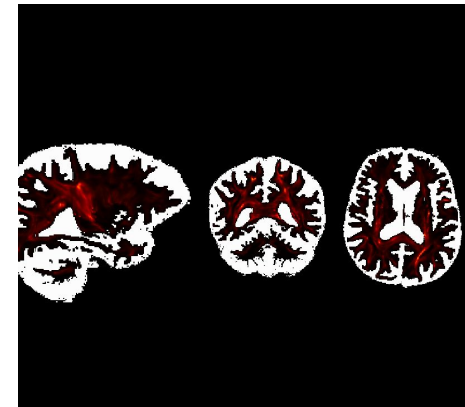
- Input (Our case):
  - Grey matter Mask
  - CSF Mask
- Output:
  - Connectivity of the white matter



# DWI Processing: Tractography

## Comparison

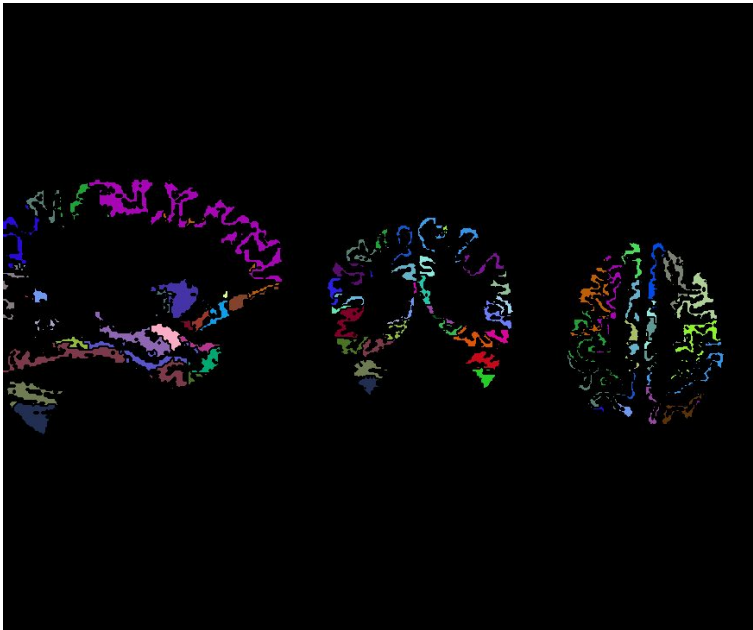
- Up:
  - Session 1  
With Field Map
- Output:
  - Session 2  
Without Field Map



Thanks

# T1 Processing: Atlas - AAL2

## Comparison



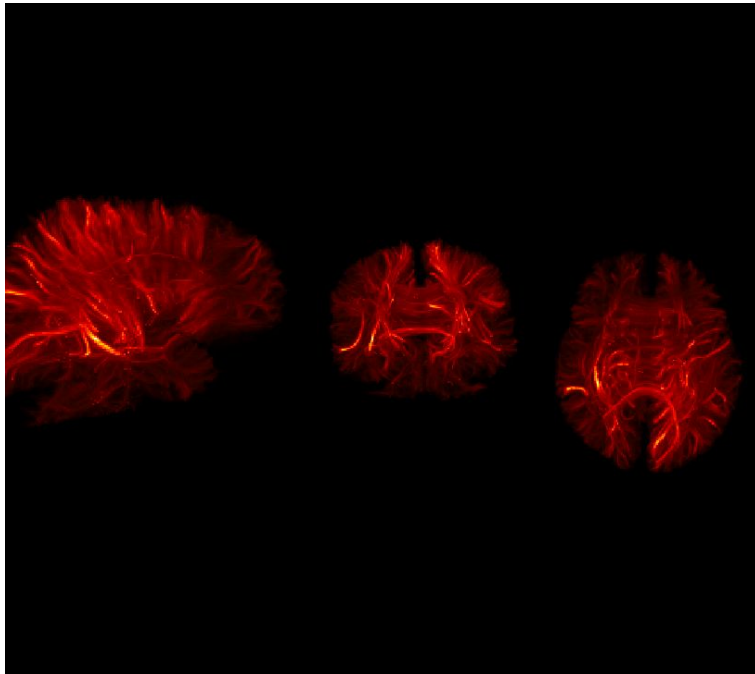
Labeled image



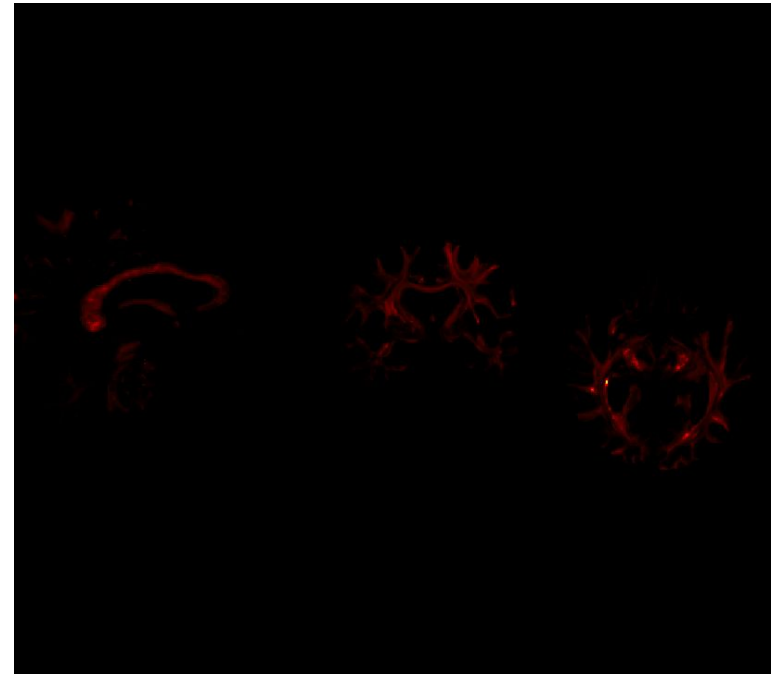
Volume image

# T1 Processing: Tractography

## Comparison



Intensity image



Volume image

# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

**BEDPOSTX:**

**Bayesian Estimation** of Diffusion Parameters using **Markov Chain Monte Carlo** sampling

X stands for modelling **Crossing Fibres**

It creates all the files necessary for running probabilistic tractography

# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

## BEDPOSTX:

- Input:
  - Brain volume
  - B-Value, B-Vector, Field Map
- Method
  - Bayesian Estimation
  - Markov Chain Monte Carlo sampling
- Output:
  - **Fibres orientation at each voxel**



# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

**Bayesian Estimation** of Diffusion Parameters using **Markov Chain Monte Carlo** sampling

- Bayesian Estimation

$$\pi(\theta | x) \propto f(x|\theta) \times \pi(\theta)$$

posterior  $\propto$  likelihood  $\times$  prior

The white matter fiber orientation  $\pi(\theta | x)$  is related to the **statistics of the brain volume data**  $f(x|\theta)$  multiply the **biology prior knowledge**  $\pi(\theta)$

# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

## Bayesian Estimation of Diffusion Parameters using **Markov Chain Monte Carlo** sampling

- Markov Chain

$$P(X_{t+1} = x | X_0, \dots, X_t) = P(X_{t+1} = x | X_t)$$

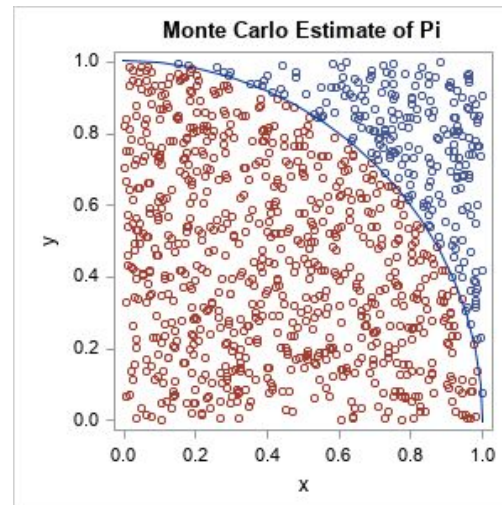
future state is only dependent on the current state

**The white matter fiber orientation in next step**  $P(X_{t+1} = x | X_0, \dots, X_t)$  is only related to  
**the current white matter fiber orientation**  $P(X_{t+1} = x | X_t)$

# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

## Bayesian Estimation of Diffusion Parameters using **Markov Chain Monte Carlo** sampling

- **Monte Carlo sampling**



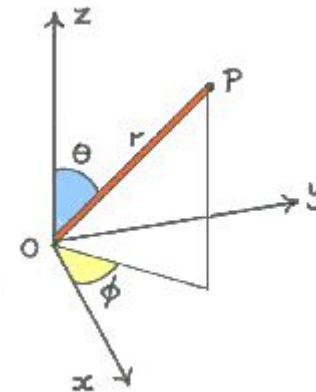
MC utilizes random sampling to approximate numerical results.

# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

**Output: Fibres orientation at each voxel**

$\langle i \rangle$  indicates the  $i$ -th fibre

- merged\_th $\langle i \rangle$ samples - theta
- merged\_ph $\langle i \rangle$ samples - phi

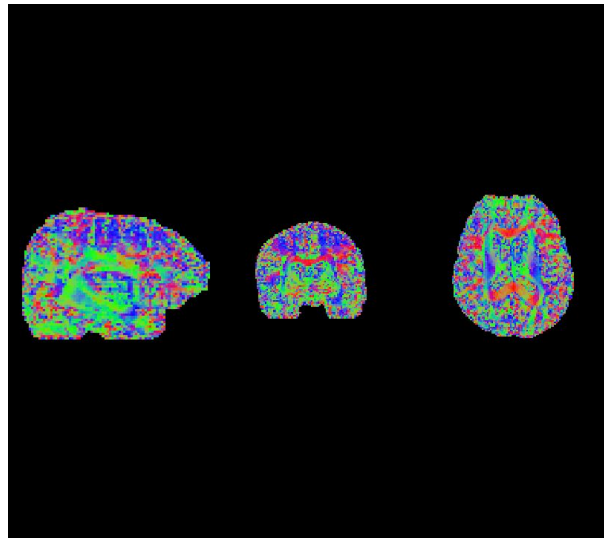


# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

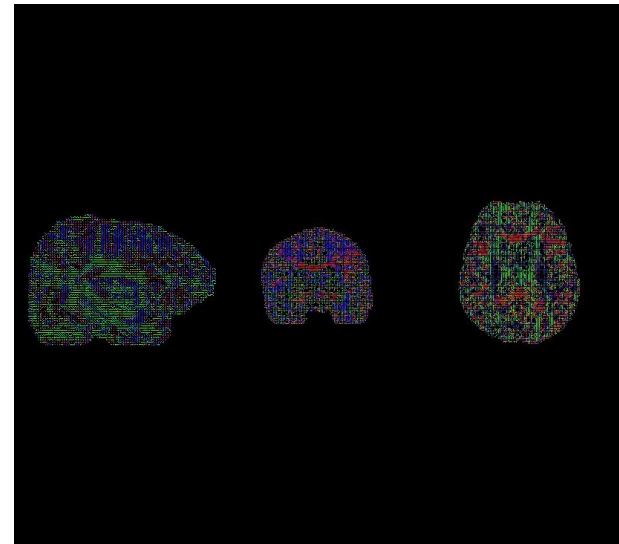
**Output: Fibres orientation at each voxel**

color indicates the direction

- X
- Y
- Z



color dot image (RBG)

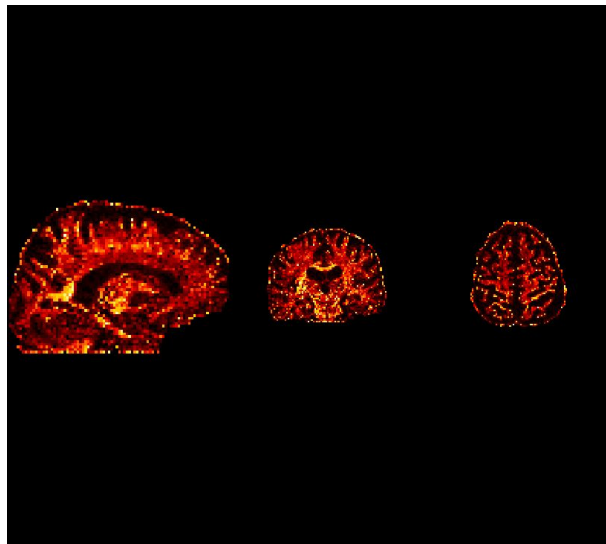


streamline image (RBG)

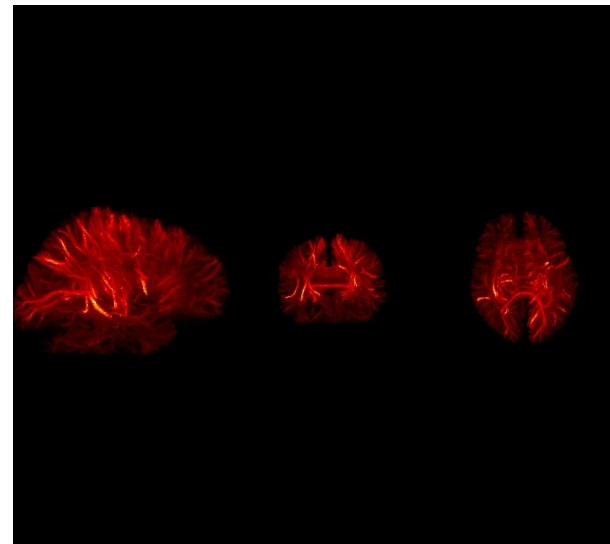
# DWI Processing: BEDPOSTX

**Output: Fibres orientation at each voxel**

- merged\_f<i>samples - anisotropic volume fraction



anisotropic fraction



fiber tractography

# DWI Processing: PROBTRACKX

PROBTRACKX requires these files from bedpostX directory

- merged\_th<math>i</math>samples
- merged\_ph<math>i</math>samples
- merged\_f<math>i</math>samples
- nodif\_brain\_mask

PROBTRACKX works in sequence

- drawing an orientation from the bedpostX distributions
- taking a step in this direction
- checking for any termination criteria

# DWI Processing: PROBTRACKX

PROBTRACKX still needs these files

- Seed region: defines where the streamlines originate
- Termination masks: stops the streamlines
- Waypoint/exclusion masks: filters out those streamlines not relevant



# DWI Processing: PROBTRACKX

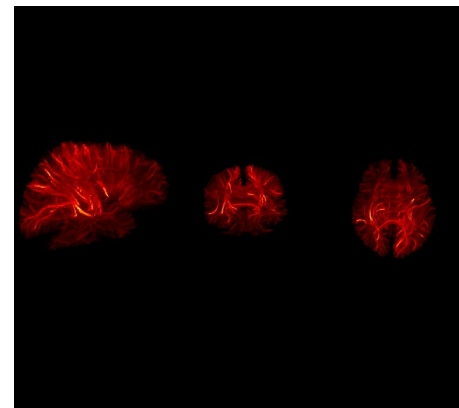
PROBTRACKX output:

- probtrackx.log: record of the command that was run
- fdt.log: record of FDT GUI
- waytotal: text file containing total number of tracts
- **fdt\_paths: Streamline density map**

# DWI Processing: PROBTRACKX

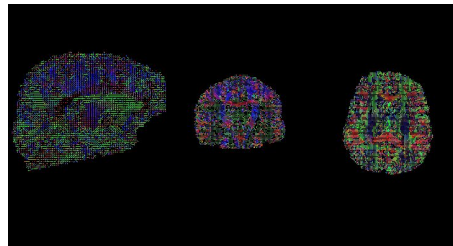
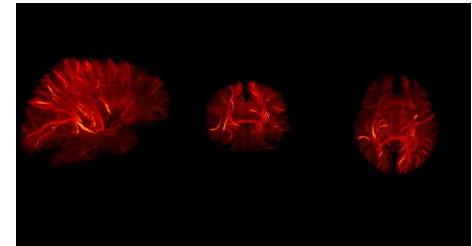
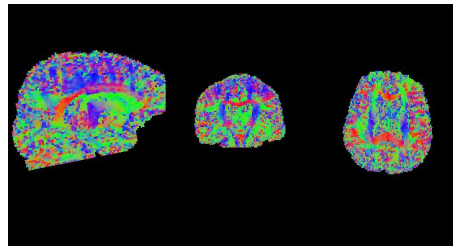
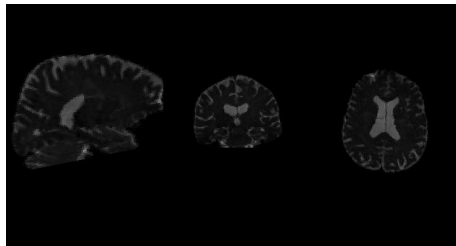
PROBTRACKX calculates the similarity of streamline nearby to get the connectivity

- Mask (Our case):
  - Grey matter Mask
  - CSF Mask
- Output:
  - Connectivity of the white matter



# DWI Processing: PROBTRACKX

PROBTRACKX calculates the similarity of streamline nearby to get the connectivity

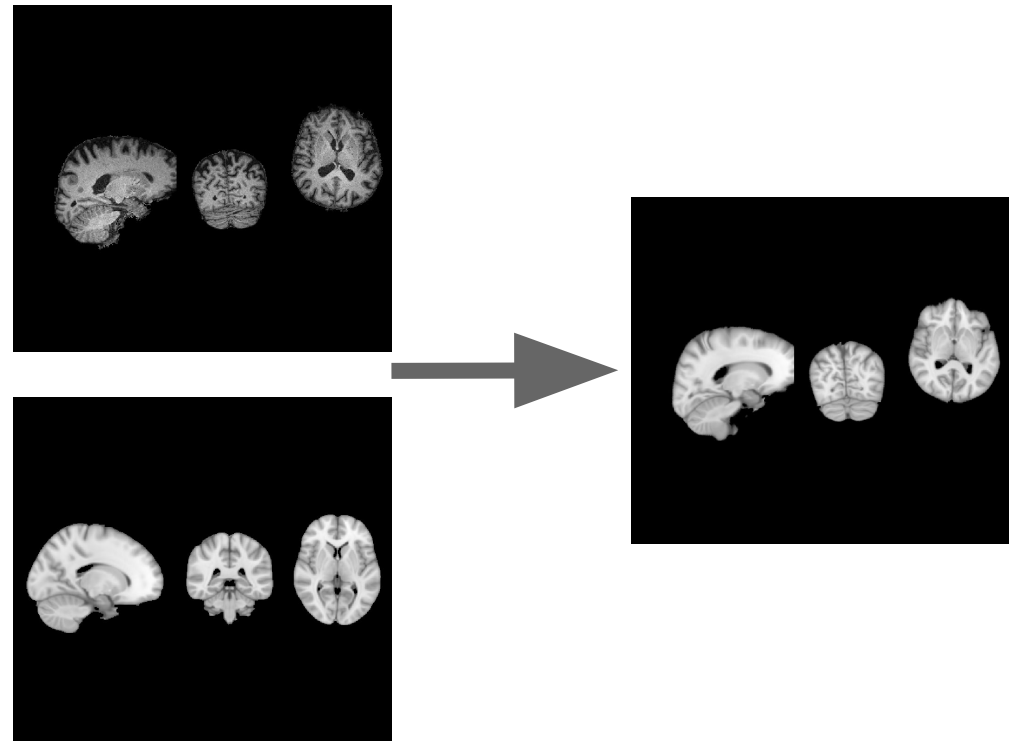


DWI brain volume → Voxel orientation → Tracking

# GUI & Code analysis

# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

- Input :
  - MNI152\_T1\_1mm
  - Reference:  
Reconstructed brain
- Output:
  - Registered image
  - Registration matrix



# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
antsRegistration --dimensionality 3 --float 0 \
  --output [$thisfolder/pennTemplate_to_${sub}_,$thisfolder/pennTemplate_to_${sub}_Warped.nii.gz] \
  --interpolation Linear \
  --winsorize-image-intensities [0.005,0.995] \
  --use-histogram-matching 0 \
  --initial-moving-transform [$t1brain,$template,1] \
  --transform Rigid[0.1] \
  --metric MI[$t1brain,$template,1,32,Regular,0.25] \
  --convergence [1000x500x250x100,1e-6,10] \
  --shrink-factors 8x4x2x1 \
  --smoothing-sigmas 3x2x1x0vox \
  --transform Affine[0.1] \
  --metric MI[$t1brain,$template,1,32,Regular,0.25] \
  --convergence [1000x500x250x100,1e-6,10] \
  --shrink-factors 8x4x2x1 \
  --smoothing-sigmas 3x2x1x0vox \
  --transform SyN[0.1,3,0] \
  --metric CC[$t1brain,$template,1,4] \
  --convergence [100x70x50x20,1e-6,10] \
  --shrink-factors 8x4x2x1 \
  --smoothing-sigmas 3x2x1x0vox \
  -x $brainlesionmask
```

# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
--winsorize-image-intensities [0.005,0.995] \
```

Winsorization replace outliers with the minimum and maximum

```
--use-histogram-matching 0 \
```

Transform the input intensities such that the histogram of the fixed and moving image are matched as closely as possible

# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
--initial-moving-transform [$t1brain,$template,1] \
```

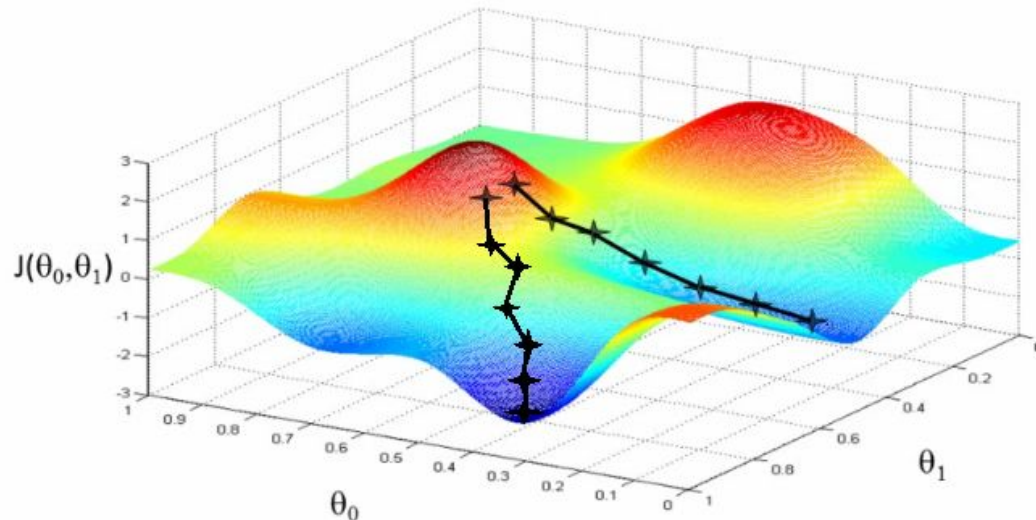
Roughly align the images before registration



# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
--transform Rigid[0.1] \
```

Transformation function of registration, most easy one is Rigid, it could also use affin, SyN or the other. The parameter here is the gradient.



# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
--metric MI[$t1brain,$template,1,32,Regular,0.25] \
```

Similarity metrics to describe the quality of the registration for example,

MI: Mutual information- check the histogram, good for multi modality

CC: Cross correlation - check the neighbour similarity, good for unimodality

# Analysis: ANTS and antsRegistration

```
--convergence [1000x500x250x100,1e-6,10] \
```

When Similarity is smaller than the threshold, the registration will stop

```
--shrink-factors 8x4x2x1 \
```

The registration is in different resolution levels

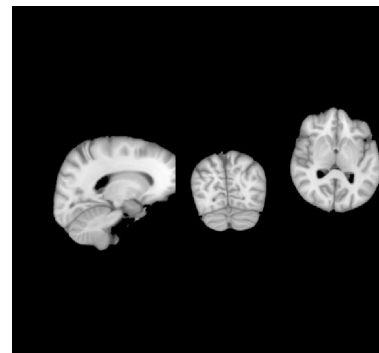
```
--smoothing-sigmas 3x2x1x0vox \
```

Smoothing after the resolution

# Analysis: ANTS and antsApplyTransforms

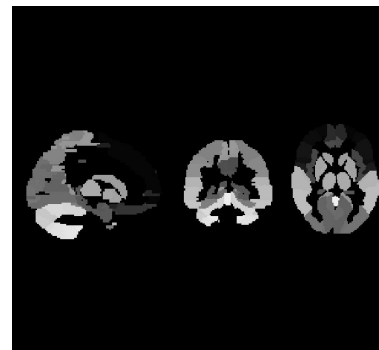
- Input :

- rAAL2\_1mm
- Reference:  
Reconstructed brain



- Output:

- Atlas brain region
- Transform matrix



# Analysis: ANTS and antsApplyTransforms

```
-d, --dimensionality 2/3/4
-i, --input inputFileName
-r, --reference-image imageFileName
-o, --output warpedOutputFileName

-n, --interpolation Linear, NearestNeighbor
MultiLabel, Gaussian BSpline, CosineWindowedSinc,
WelchWindowedSinc, HammingWindowedSinc,
LanczosWindowedSinc, GenericLabel
```

# Analysis: ANTS and antsApplyTransforms

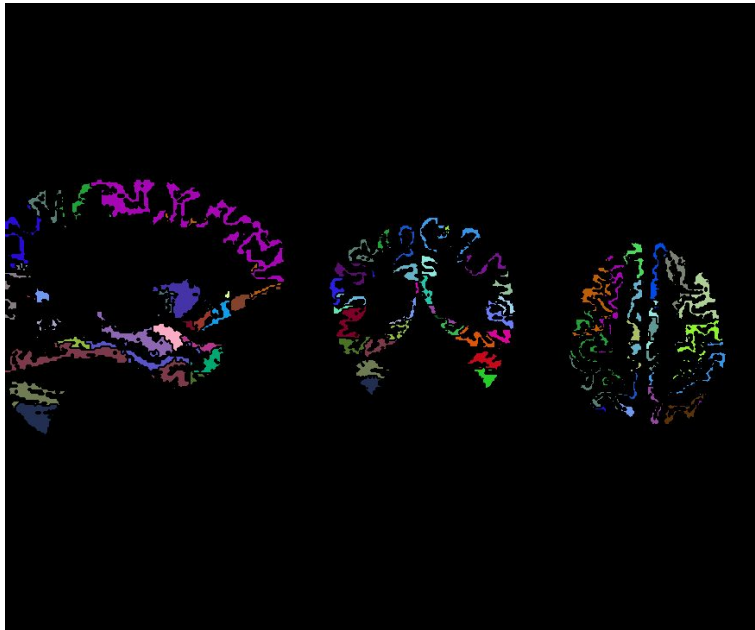
`-t, --transform transformFileName`

```
transformation3="${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/MNI_to_T11Warp.nii.gz"  
transformation4="${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/MNI_to_T10GenericAffine.mat"
```

In our case: MNI\_to\_T11Warp.nii.gz and then MNI\_to\_T10GenericAffine.mat. Because we would like to use the same transformation from registration, so that the standard brain region could be registered.

# T1 Processing: Atlas - AAL2

## Comparison



Labeled image



Volume image

# Analysis: DWI Processing

1. scanner-specific pre-processing (e.g., conversion from DICOM to NIFTI using for example dcm2niix)

```
dcm2niix [options] <sourcedir>
```

2. Susceptibility-induced distortion correction (fieldmap estimation) using **topup**

Or **eddy** - Distortion correction using eddy.

3. **bet** - Brain extraction using BET on the distortion-corrected b0 (output of topup)

**microstructural analysis** or **tractography**



# Analysis: DWI Processing

## **Microstructural analysis**

1. dtifit - Fitting of diffusion tensors on eddy-corrected data
2. TBSS - Comparison of the fractional anisotropy maps (or others) between subjects

# Analysis: DWI Processing

## tractography

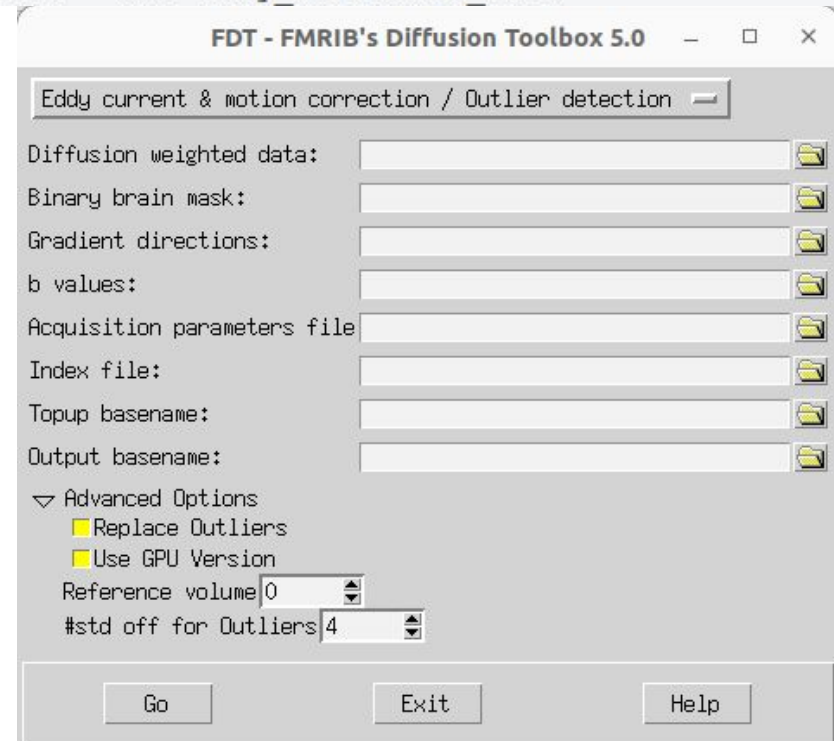
1. **bedpostx** - Fitting of the probabilistic diffusion model on corrected data
2. Registration to structural reference image and/or standard space
3. **probtrackx** - Probabilistic tractography run on the output of bedpostx

# Analysis: DWI Processing

## eddy - Distortion correction

```
eddy --imain=data --mask=my_hifi_b0_brain_mask --acqp=acqparams.txt --index=index.txt --bvecs=bvecs --bvals=bvals --topup=my_topup_results --out=eddy_corrected_data
```

<https://fsl.fmrib.ox.ac.uk/fsl/fslwiki/eddy/UsersGuide>



# Analysis: DWI Processing

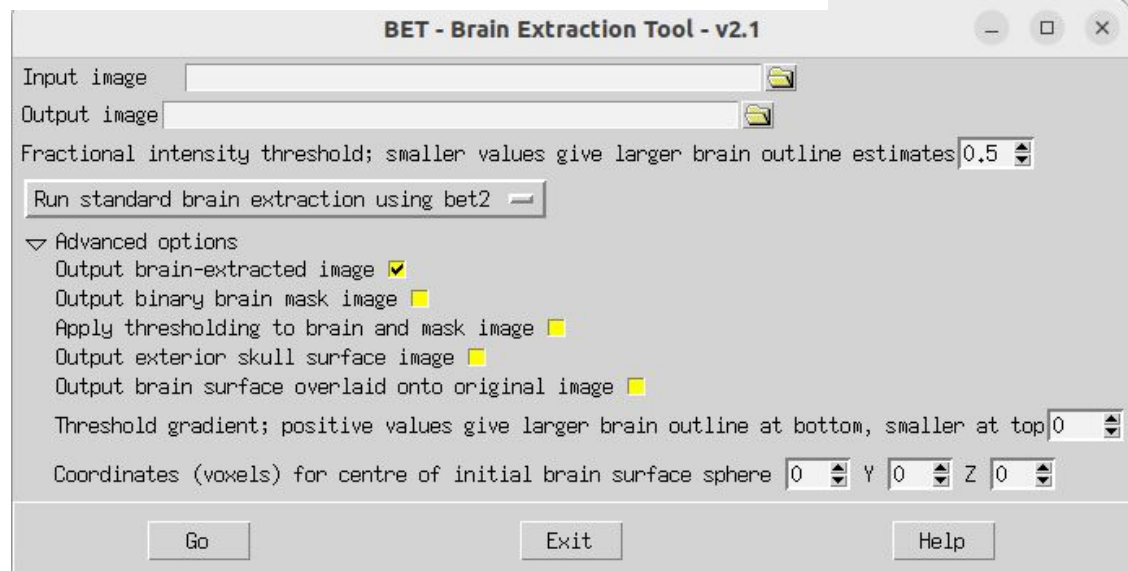
## bet - Brain Extraction

`bet <input> <output> [options]`

`-f <f>` fractional intensity threshold (0->1); default=0.5; smaller values give larger brain outline estimates

`-m` generate binary brain mask

<https://fsl.fmrib.ox.ac.uk/fsl/fslwiki/BET/UserGuide>



# Analysis: DWI Processing

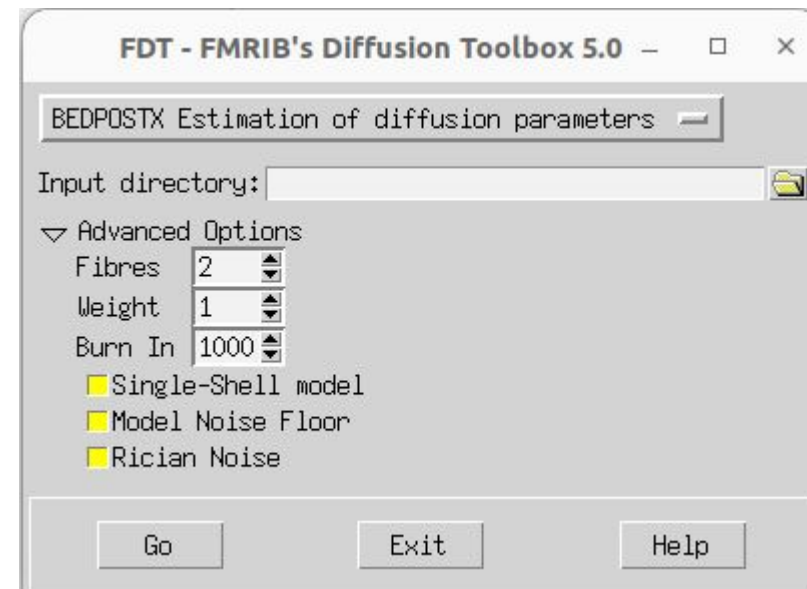
**BEDPOSTX** - Tool for estimating fibre orientations

Bayesian Estimation of Diffusion Parameters Obtained using Sampling Techniques.

```
Usage: bedpostx <subject directory> [options]
```

```
-n (number of fibres per voxel, default 3)
```

<https://fsl.fmrib.ox.ac.uk/fsl/fslwiki/EDT/UserGuide>



# Analysis: DWI Processing

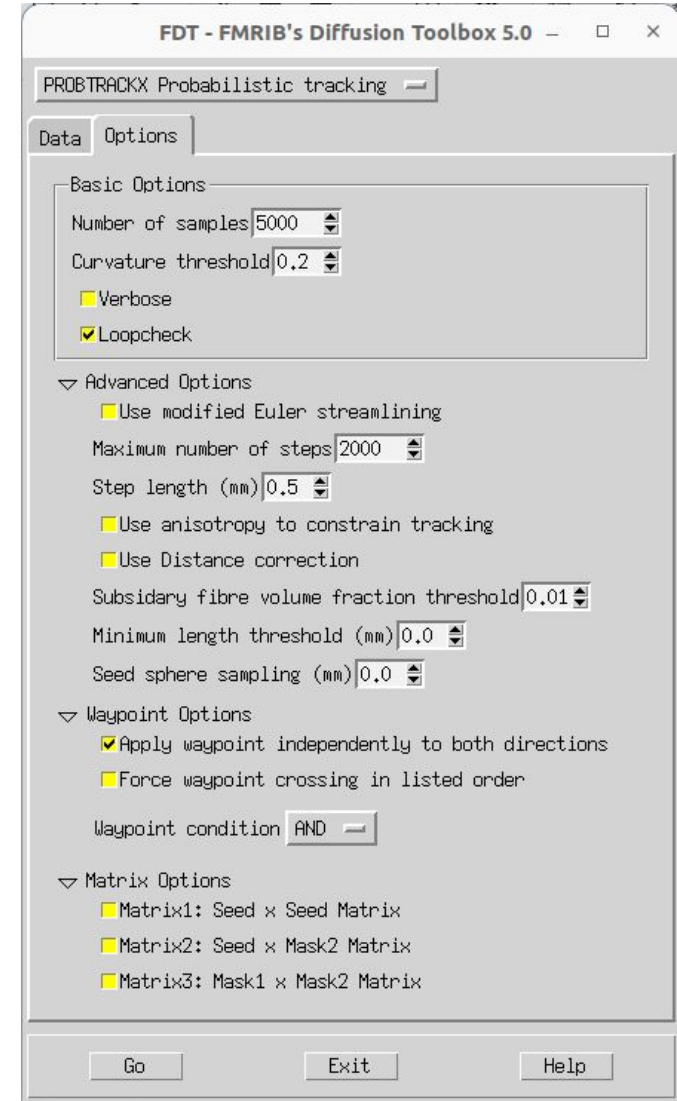
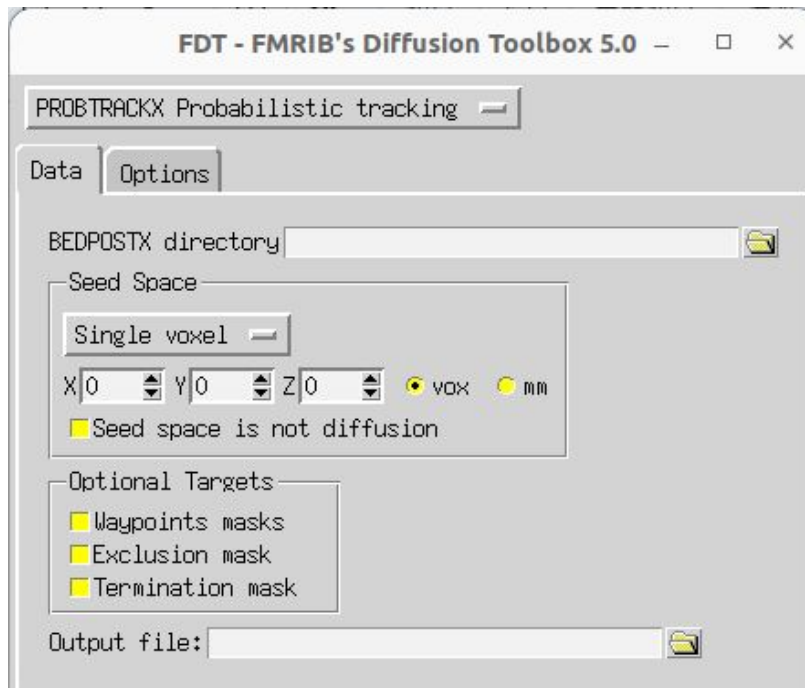
**PROBTRACKX** - performing probabilistic tractography

```
Usage:
probtrackx2 -s <basename> -m <maskname> -x <seedfile> -o <output> --targetmasks=<textfile>
probtrackx2 --help

Compulsory arguments (You MUST set one or more of):
-s,--samples      Basename for samples files - e.g. 'merged'
-m,--mask         Bet binary mask file in diffusion space
-x,--seed         Seed volume or list (ascii text file) of volumes and/or surfaces
```

# Analysis: DWI Processing

## PROBTRACKX - performing probabilistic tractography



# Resting State Processing



# Resting State Processing

## Select the region of interest

```
<< --MULTILINE-COMMENT--  
echo 'Delete the first 3 volumes';  
fslroi ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/resting.nii ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/resting_1.nii.gz 3 209  
--MULTILINE-COMMENT--
```

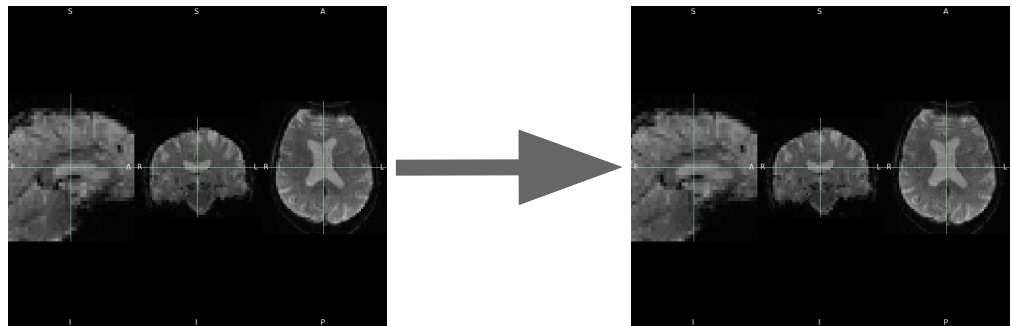
- Input :

- resting.nii

$$212 - 3 = 209$$

- Output:

- resting\_1.nii



# Resting State Processing

Diagnostic with tsdiffana, run rest\_diagnostic.m in matlab

```
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"  
input_file="rest_diagnostic.m"  
sed -i "s@folder=strcat('.*');@folder=strcat('$new_path/');@" "$input_file"  
matlab -r "rest_diagnostic; exit;"
```

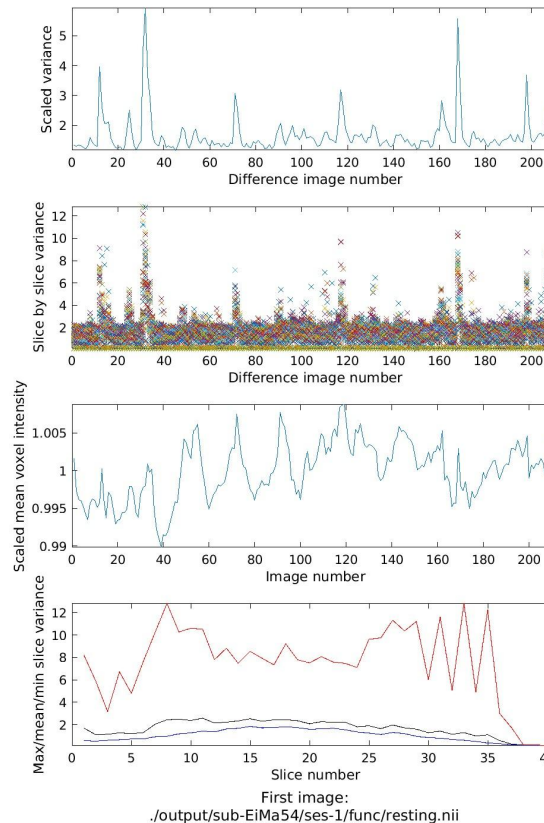
- Input :
  - resting.nii
- Output:
  - The diagnose

# Resting State Processing

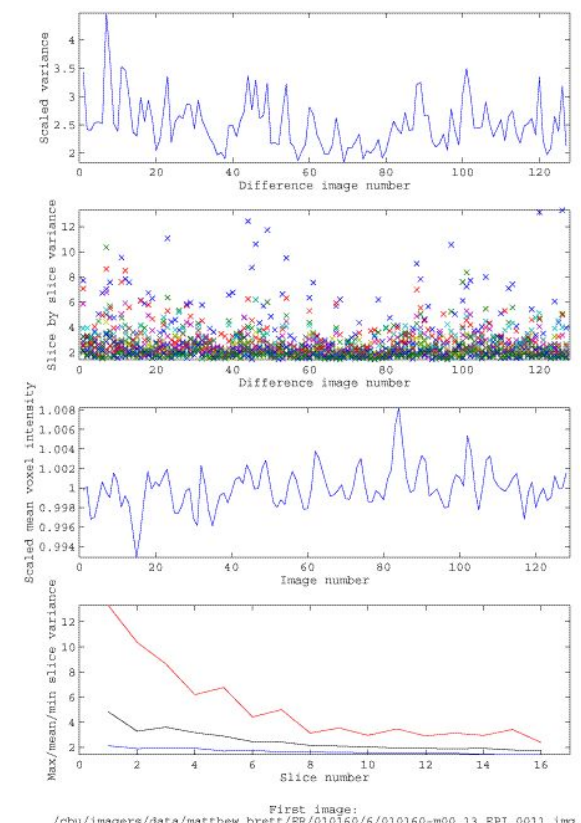
Diagnostic with tsdiffana, run `rest_diagnostic.m` in matlab

- Input :
  - `resting.nii`
- Output:
  - The diagnose

Output



Normal



# Resting State Processing

Split into volume, useful for the next step

```
fslsplit ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/resting_1.nii.gz ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/vol  
for r in {0000..0208}  
do  
    gzip -d ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/vol$r.nii.gz #that's how they have to  
done;
```

- Input :
  - The modified volume(4D)
- Output:
  - Volume of the image (3D volume according to time sequence)

# Resting State Processing

## Volume time correction

```
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"  
input_file="Slice_Timing_job.m"  
sed -i "s|'./output/[^/]\+/'$new_path/'$input_file'" "$input_file"  
matlab -r "Slice_Timing; exit;"  
--MULTILINE-COMMENT--
```

- Input :
  - Volume of the image
- Output:
  - resliced volume

# Resting State Processing

## Slice time correction

```
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.nslices = 40;  
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.tr = 2.23;  
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.ta = 2.17425;  
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.so = [1105 0 1160 55 1215 110 1270 165 1325 220 1380 275 1435 330  
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.refslice = 1105;  
matlabbatch{1}.spm.temporal.st.prefix = 'a';
```

- Input :
  - slice of the image
- Output:
  - re sliced volume

# Resting State Processing

## Slice time realign

```
# In Matlab run Reslice.m to perform slice Realignment.  
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"  
input_file="Reslice_job.m"  
sed -i "s|'./output/[^/]\+/[^/]\+/func/|'$new_path/|g" "$input_file"  
matlab -r "Reslice; exit;"  
--MULTILINE-COMMENT--
```

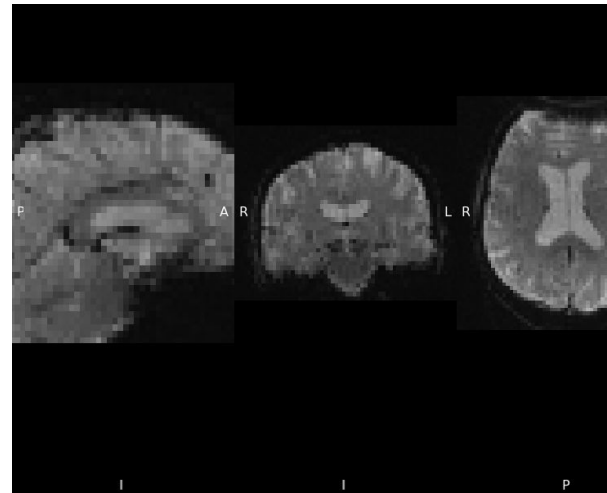
- Input :
  - slice of the image
- Output:
  - resliced volume

# Resting State Processing

## Merge the slice

```
echo 'Merging data'
fslmerge -t ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge.nii ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/ravol*.nii
gzip -d ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge.nii.gz
```

- Input :
  - slice of the image (3D)
- Output:
  - merged one (4D)



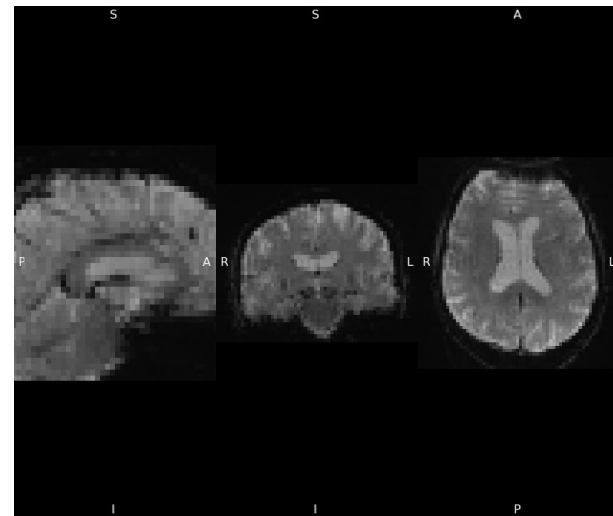


# Resting State Processing

## Apply a band pass filter

```
# In Matlab run rest_pasabanda to apply a bandpass filter to merge.nii
gunzip -k ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge.nii.gz
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"
input_file="rest_pasabanda.m"
sed -i "s@path_subject=strcat('.*');@path_subject=strcat('$new_path/');@" "$input_file"
matlab -r "rest_pasabanda; exit;"
```

- Input :
  - Merged image
- Output:
  - filtered one



# Resting State Processing

## T1 and BOLD registration

```
echo 'T1 to BOLD coregistration'
bet2 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/ravol0104.nii ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain -m -f 0.2
gzip -d ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii.gz
flirt -in ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/wT1_brain_spm.nii -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii -out ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/T1_
flirt -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii -ref ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/wT1_brain_spm.nii -out ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/BOL
convert_xfm -omat ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/T1_to_BOLD_mat -inverse ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/BOLD_to_T1_mat
```

- Input :
  - T1 and Bold images
- Output:
  - registered images and transformation matrices

# Resting State Processing

## T1 to BOLD masks

**Use AAL2 replacing Schaefer**

```
echo 'MASKS from T1 to BOLD space'
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/c2wT1.nii -thr 0.999 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_mask_0p999.nii.gz
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/c3wT1.nii -thr 0.999 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p999.nii.gz

fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/GM.nii -thr 0.999 -bin ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/GM_mask_0p999.nii
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1.nii -mul ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/GM_mask_0p999.nii ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104

flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_mask_0p999 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p999 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1_0p999 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104

fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/c2wT1.nii -thr 0.5 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_mask_0p5.nii.gz
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/c3wT1.nii -thr 0.5 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p5.nii.gz

flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_mask_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_raval0104
--MULTILINE-COMMENT--
```

2 options: threshold use 0.5 or 0.999

0.5 works better

# Resting State Processing

In resting state processing: **No need to use AAL2\_0p5\_to\_BOLD\_masked.nii**  
**We can use AAL2\_0p5\_to\_BOLD.nii**

```
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/c3wT1.nii -thr 0.5 ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p5.nii.gz

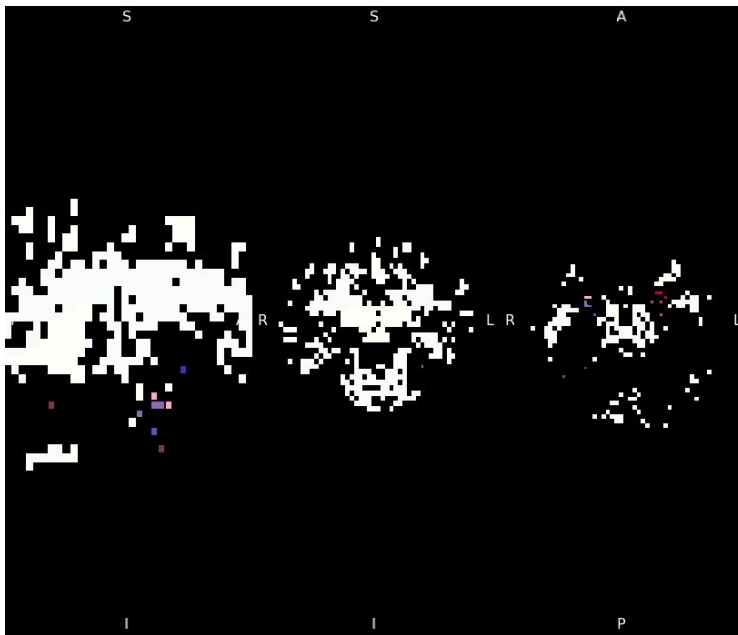
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_mask_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii -applyxfm -init ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/T1_to_BOLD_mat -out ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_0p5_to_BOLD
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_mask_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii -applyxfm -init ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/T1_to_BOLD_mat -out ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_0p5_to_BOLD
flirt -interp nearestneighbour -in ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1_0p5 -ref ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain.nii -applyxfm -init ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/T1_to_BOLD_mat -out ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_to_BOLD
MULTILINE COMMENT
```

```
echo 'Step 13: ROI signal extraction'
echo 'Masking ATLAS'
fslmaths ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/_ravol0104_brain_mask -mul ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_to_BOLD.nii ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_to_BOLD_masked.nii
```

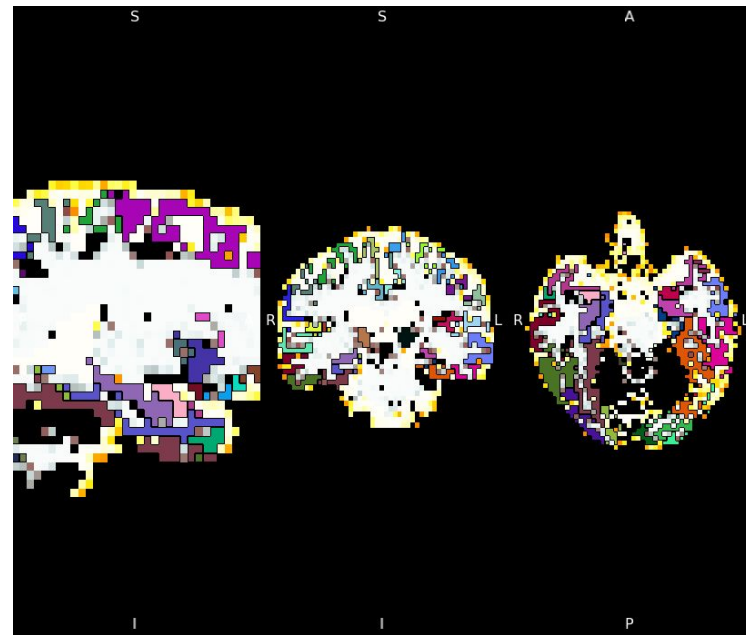
# Resting State Processing

T1 to BOLD masks

Use AAL2 replacing Schaefer



0.999



0.5

# Resting State Processing

**extract the average intensity of white matter and grey matter**

```
echo 'WM & CSF signal extraction'

fslmeants -i ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge_filtered.nii -o ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/media_CSF_0p5.txt -m ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/CSF_0p5_to
fslmeants -i ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge_filtered.nii -o ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/media_WM_0p5.txt -m ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/WM_0p5_to_B
fslmeants -i ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge_filtered.nii -o ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/media_AAL2_0p5.txt -m ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_
--MULTILINE-COMMENT--
```

- Input :
  - CSF and WM mask/Merged files
- Output:
  - text file recording the intensity of CSF and WM

# Resting State Processing

In matlab combine the signal of CSF and WM

```
# IN MATLAB: Regressors are combine the two files (2 seconds)  
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"  
input_file="regressors.m"  
sed -i "s@path_subject=strcat('.*');@path_subject=strcat('$new_path/');@" "$input_file"  
matlab -r "regressors; exit;"
```

- Input :
  - CSF and WM ans AAL2
- Output:
  - Regressed CSF WM and AAL2



# Resting State Processing

In matlab combine the signal of CSF and WM

```
csf=load(char(strcat(path_subject,'media_CSF_0p5.txt')));  
wm=load(char(strcat(path_subject,'media_WM_0p5.txt')));  
mov=load(char(strcat(path_subject,'media_AAL2_0p5.txt')));  
  
size(mov);  
%The following correction is implemented to take into account that  
%we choose the volume 104 as a reference in the SPM realignment.  
mov_correct=zeros(size(mov));  
mov_correct(1:104,:)=mov(2:105,:);  
mov_correct(105,:)=mov(1,:);  
mov_correct(106:209,:)=mov(106:209,:);  
csf_wm_mov=[csf,wm,mov];  
  
archivo = fopen(char(strcat(path_subject,'csf_wm_mov_regressors.mat')),'wt');
```



# Resting State Processing

## Split the images into slice

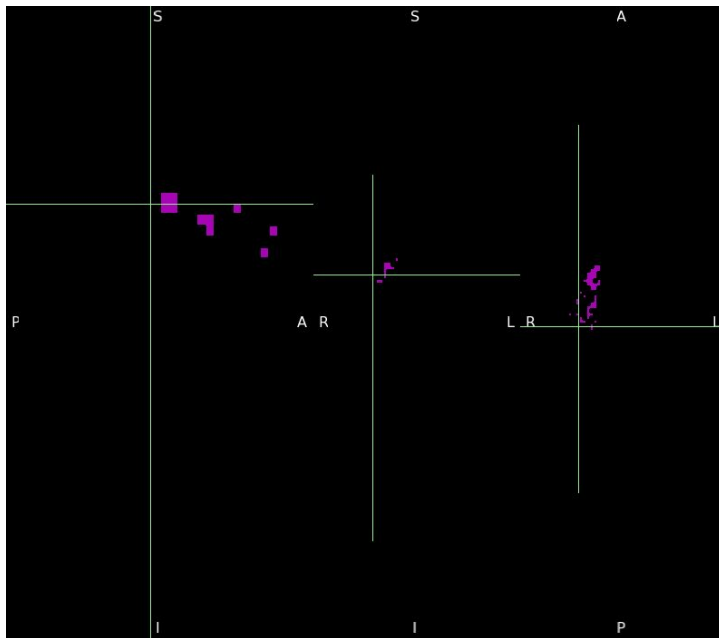
```
echo 'Split ROIs'
for var in {1..100}
do
fslmaths ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_to_BOLD_masked.nii -thr $var -uthr $var ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/AAL2_roi_$var
```

- Input :
  - standard brain
- Output:
  - standard brain region

# Resting State Processing

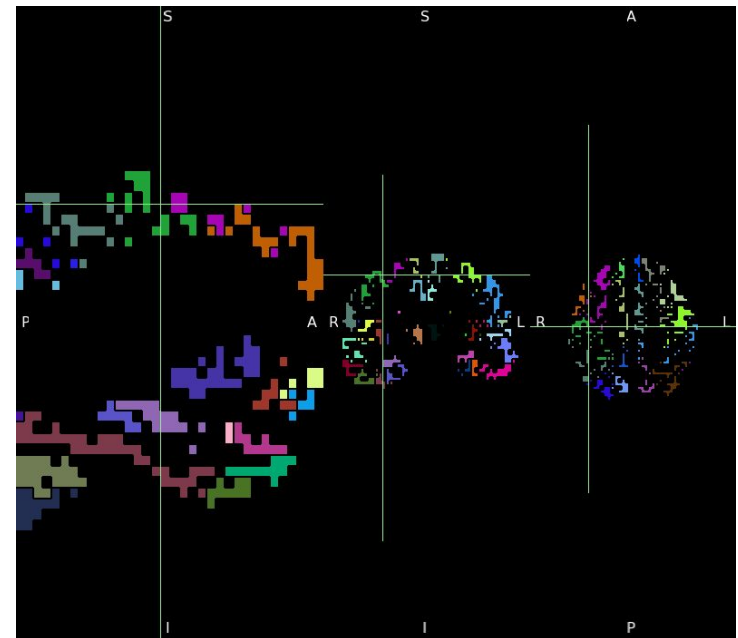
Split the images into slice

```
echo 'Split ROIs'
for var in {1..100}
do
fslmaths ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/AAL2_0p5_to_BOLD_masked.nii -thr $var -uthr $var ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/AAL2_roi_$var
```



Left:  
Region 4

Right:  
All AAL2



# Resting State Processing

**Extract the region of interest for each volume**

```
echo 'mean ROI signal extraction (aprox 8 min)'  
for var in {1..100}  
do  
fslmeants -i ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/merge_regress_no_demean.nii -o ${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}/Slice/merge_regress_no_demean_AAL2_roi_$var  
done;
```

- Input :
  - standard brain slice
- Output:
  - region of interest

# Resting State Processing

```
#Step 14 (Functional Connectivity)
echo 'Step 14: Functional Connectivity'
pause 'Run Pearson in MATLAB to obtain the FC networks' #OPTIONAL: run graphs_theory to calculate metrics
echo 'Step 14 ended'
new_path="${PATH_RS_OUTPUT}"
input_file="FC.m"
# sed -i "s@path_subject=strcat('.*');@path_subject=strcat('$new_path/Slice/');@" "$input_file"
sed -i "s@path_subject=strcat('.*'/Slice/);@path_subject=strcat('$new_path'/Slice);@" "$input_file"
matlab -r "FC; exit;"
```

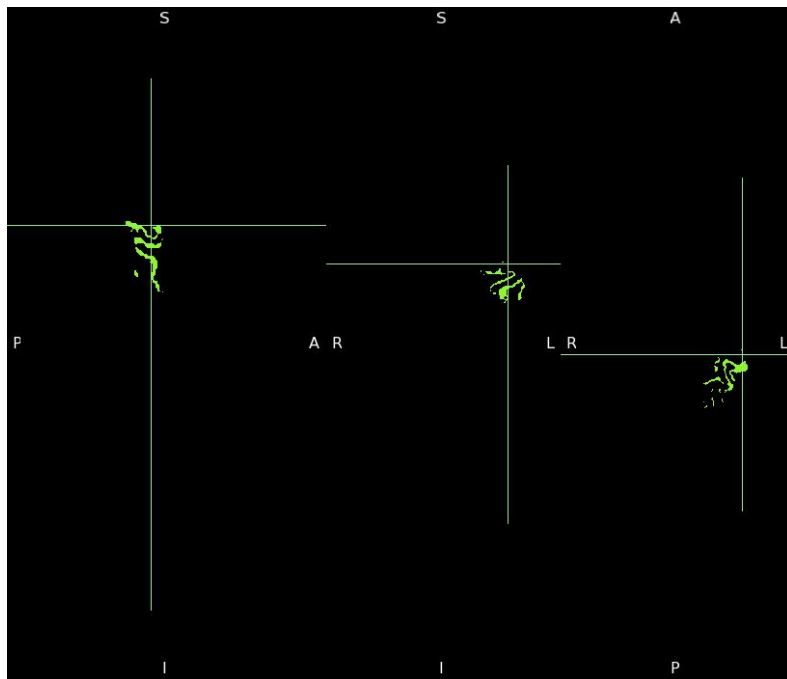
- Input :
  - standard brain slice
- Output:
  - Parameter for the further steps

# Connectivity Processing

# Resting State Processing

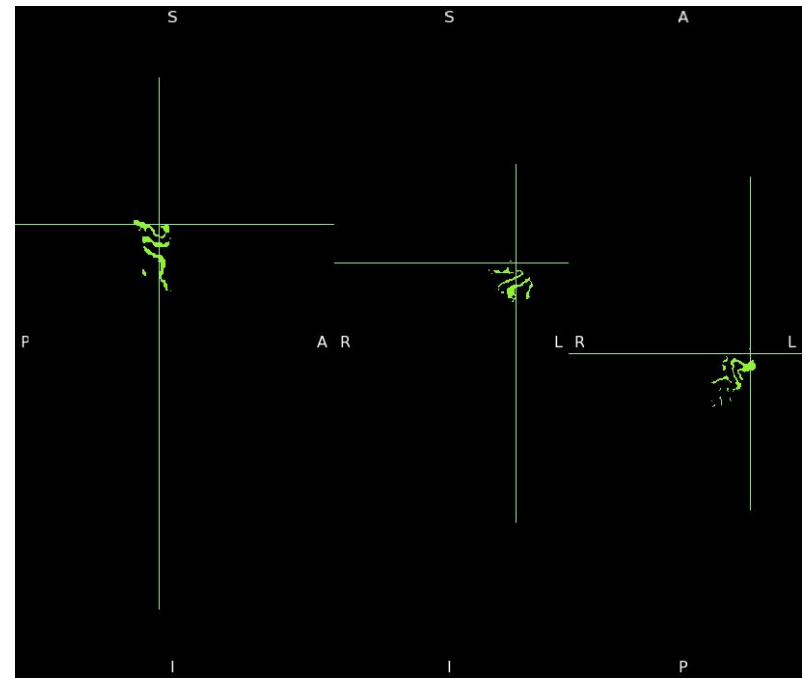
## Split atlas / Create label

```
echo 'Split ATLAS'
for var in {1..120}
do
echo "$var"
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1_0p5.nii -thr $var -uthr $var ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/roi_${var}.nii.gz
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/roi_${var}.nii.gz -bin ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_${var}.nii.gz
```



Left:  
Region 1  
ROI

Right:  
region1  
ROI label



# Resting State Processing

## Merge brain region

```

echo 'Combining Vermis 1-2 and Vermis 3'
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/roi_113.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_114.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_115.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_114.nii.gz

echo 'Remove pallidum'
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_79.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_80.nii.gz

echo 'Combining Vermis 9 and 10'
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_119.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_120.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_121.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_120.nii.gz

echo 'Combining cerebellum 8 and 10'
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_107.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_111.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_112.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_111.nii.gz
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_108.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_112.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_113.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_112.nii.gz

echo 'Combining cerebellum 3 and cerebellum 4-5'
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_99.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_101.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_102.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_101.nii.gz
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_100.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_102.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_103.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_102.nii.gz

echo 'Combining OFC regions'
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_25.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_27.nii.gz -add ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_28.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_29.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_27.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_29.nii.gz
rm ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_31.nii.gz

```

# Resting State Processing

## Calculate the density

```
touch ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/GM_volumes_wanted.txt
echo 'b: GM density'
for var in {1..106}
do
echo "$var"
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_roi_${var}.nii.gz -mul ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/GM_mask_0.5.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/density_roi_${var}.nii.gz
fslstats ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/density_roi_${var}.nii.gz -M >> ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/GM_density_detected.txt;
done;

echo 'c: Total density'
fslmaths ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/AAL2_to_T1_0p5.nii -bin ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_AAL2_to_T1_0p5.nii.gz;
fslmaths ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/bin_AAL2_to_T1_0p5.nii -mul ${PATH_T1_OUTPUT}/GM_mask_0.5.nii.gz ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/density_AAL2.nii;
fslstats ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/density_AAL2.nii -M >> ${PATH_CC_OUTPUT}/GM_density_wanted.txt;
```

Potential Problem: The GM density is of different region of interest.  
But the Total density is all the standard brain AAL2.

Solution: Split the AAL2 into ROI at first, **Otherwise the regression part can not work**