



Read Header Information of Datafile

Command: `ft_read_header`

Task:

- Determine the sampling rate of the datafile of subject01
- Determine whether the recording was continuous
- Find out which channel is the first MEG-channel (name starts with 'M')
- Plot sensorpositions with matlab-function plot3



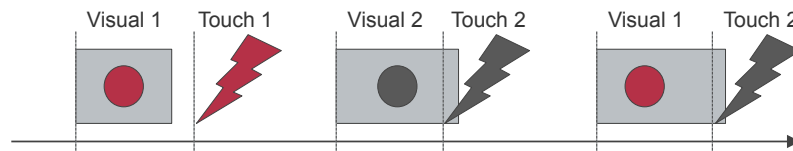
Recording

- Optimally continuous recording
 - Filtering with minimal ringing
 - Segmentation can be altered offline
- Synchronizing MEG recording with stimulation by triggers
 - Delays between stimulation computer and stimulus appearance
 - delays in the computer,
 - delays between computer and stimulator→ derive trigger from stimulus
- Sampling rate high enough to capture highest frequencies
- Antialias filter: $f_{\text{Lowpass}} < f_{\text{Sampling}}$
- Intertrial intervals long enough in order to avoid trial overlap
- Warning cues can create considerable activity.

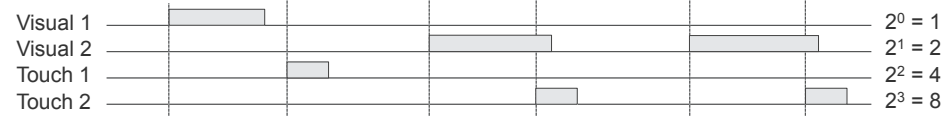


Recording

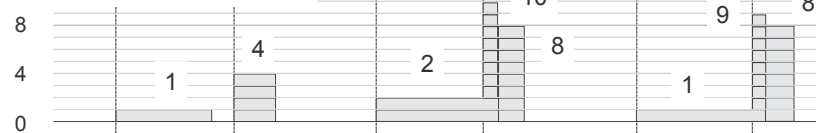
Stimuli



Trigger lines



Trigger lines (binary code)



Segmentation

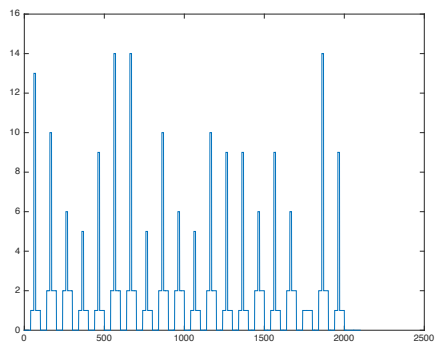
Create table that defines trials

Trial	Sample Begin Trial	Sample End Trial	Sample Offset Zero	Condition A	Condition B
1	3247	6247	-1000	1	0
2	8421	11421	-1000	5	1
3	12188	15188	-1000	3	1
4	16034	19034	-1000	4	0
...
n	62148	65148	-1000	4	1

Individualize events

- Approach 1: decimal to binary conversion

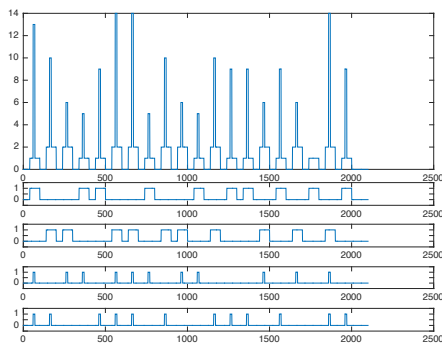
```
n_bin=8
trig_pat=dec2bin(s,n_bin)
```



```
...
00000001
00000001
00001001
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00000001
00000001
...
```

Individualize events

- Approach 1: decimal to binary conversion



```
figure
subplot(8,1,[1:4])
plot(s)

for i=1:4
    subplot(8,1,4+i)
    plot(str2num(trig_pat(:,n_bin-(i-1))))
    ylim([-0.5 1.5])
end
```



Individualize events

- Approach 2: shift and mask

Decimal	Binary
0	0000
1	0001
2	0010
3	0011
4	0100
5	0101
6	0110
7	0111
8	1000
9	1001

Shift binary digits to the right: dividing by 2

17	10001	$17/2=8.5$	1000.1
17	10001	$\text{floor}(17/2)=8$	1000
12	01100	$12/2=6.0$	0110.0
12	01100	$\text{floor}(12/2)=6$	110

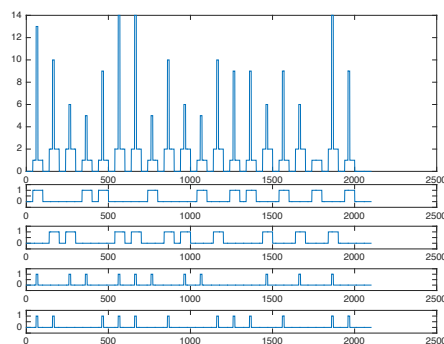
Masking all positions but the last: $\text{mod}(x,2)$

23	010111	$\text{mod}(23,2)=1$
26	011010	$\text{mod}(26,2)=0$



Individualize events

- Approach 2: shift and mask



```
figure
subplot(8,1,[1:4])
plot(s)

for i=1:4
    tmp=floor(s/2.^(i-1));
    trig_line(:,i)=mod(tmp,2);
    subplot(8,1,4+i)
    plot(trig_line(:,i))
    ylim([-0.5 1.5])
end
```



Open Data File and Select Conditions

Command: `ft_preprocessing`

Task:

- Open data and select condition
([ftp://ftp.fieldtriptoolbox.org/pub/fieldtrip/tutorial/Subject01.zip](http://ftp.fieldtriptoolbox.org/pub/fieldtrip/tutorial/Subject01.zip))
- Follow the script and try to understand what is going on.
(<http://www.fieldtriptoolbox.org/tutorial/preprocessing>)
- Have a look at the `ft_definetrial` output
- Read in the STIM channel for all conditions and plot individual trials.



Select Trials According to Conditions

Experiment Inhibition:

Effects of GABA agonists (Alprazolam, Baclofen, Ethanol and Placebo) are tested in a two stimulus paradigm. The prime stimulus which is either a near-threshold stimulus or a maximal stimulus exerts an inhibitory effect on the second test stimulus. Prime and test stimulus are either separated by a short (30 ms) or long (150 ms) interstimulus interval.

Conditions			% Trigger		
1 :	D2 Threshold	Single	% T1	Sync (1st stimulus)	
2 :	D2 Threshold tot	Double	% T2	Finger	0:D2 1:D3
3 :	D2 Threshold correct	Double	% T3	Intensity	0:Level 1:Max
4 :	D2 Threshold incorrect	Double	% T4	Type	0:Single 1:Double
5 :	D2 Max	Single	% T5-T10	Current level of the stimulated finger in %	
6 :	D2 Max	Double	% T11	Response 1: no stimulus	
7 :	D3 Threshold	Single	% T12	Response 2: 1 stimulus	
8 :	D3 Threshold tot	Double	% T13	Response 3: 2 stimuli	
9 :	D3 Threshold correct	Double			
10 :	D3 Threshold incorrect	Double			
11 :	D3 Max	Single			
12 :	D3 Max	Double			

Note: Sync trigger was wrongly programmed use other information



Segmentation and Trial Selection

Command: *ft_definetrial* and *ft_preprocessing*

Task:

- Read data of subject 04_Inhibition_20150507_14.ds
- Identify trials of condition 'single max d2/d3'
- Create tri array for segmentation of the data
- Segment the continuous data file into segments aligned to the prime pre-stimulus -500 ms, post-stimulus 750 ms



Trigger information

Command: *ft_read_data*, *ft_definetrial*

Task:

- Read data of subject 04_Inhibition_20150507_14.ds
- Sort trials according to conditions
- Segment the continuous data file into segments aligned to the prime pre-stimulus -500 ms, post-stimulus 750 ms