

# bxh2bids: Goals, Structure, and Usage

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`github.com/jlgraner/bxh2bids`

# Outline

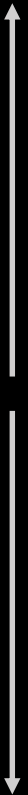
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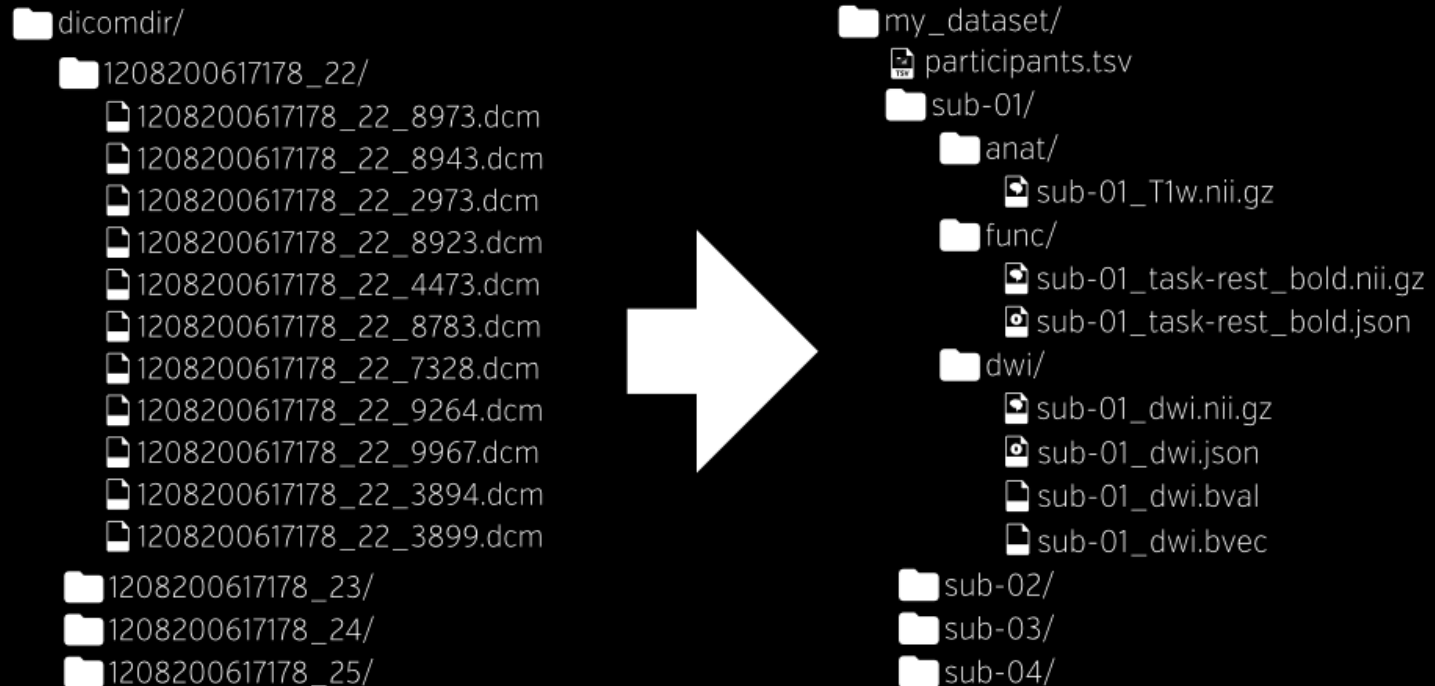
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# BRAIN IMAGING DATA STRUCTURE

A simple and intuitive way to organize and describe your neuroimaging and behavioral data.



<http://bids.neuroimaging.io/>



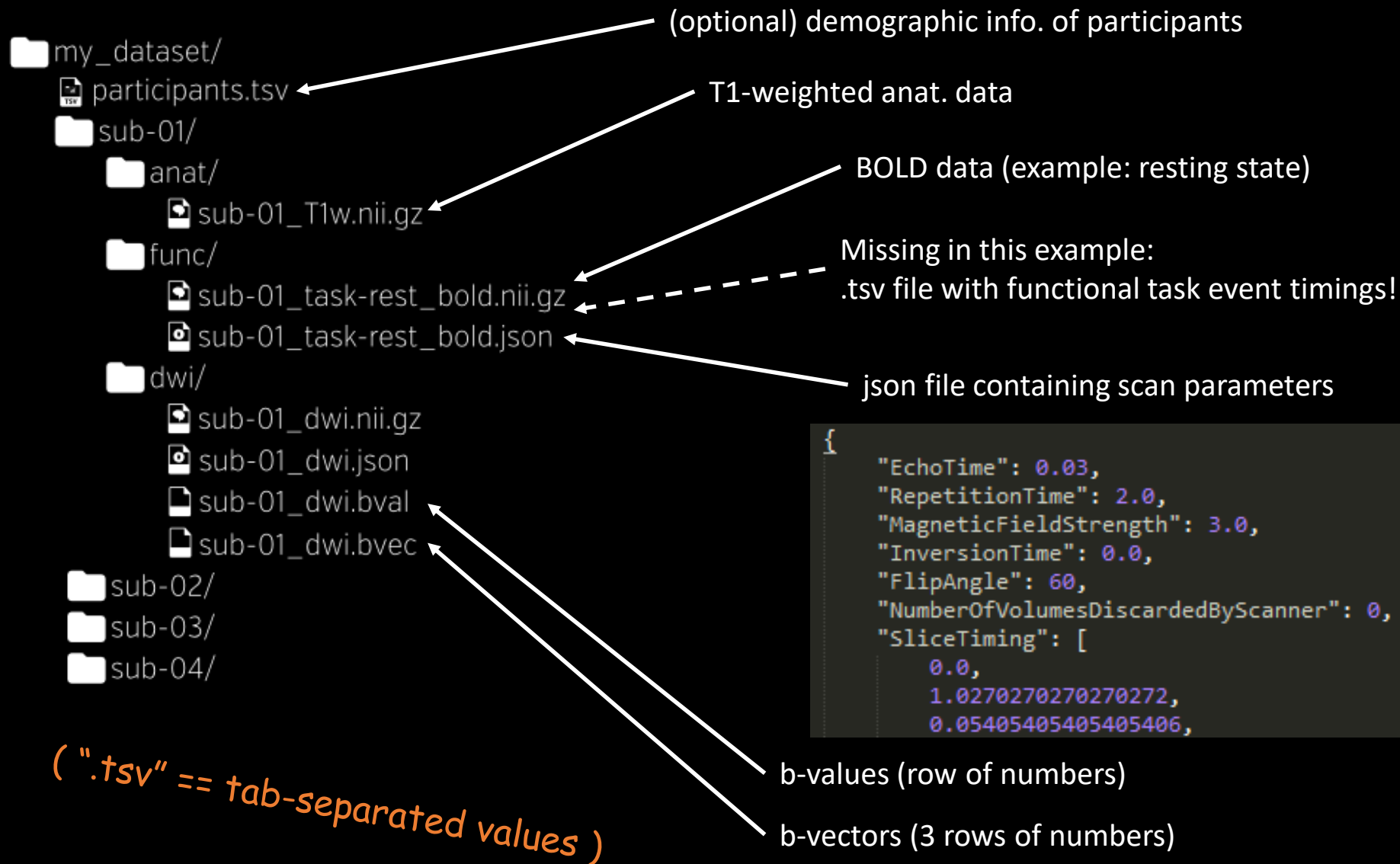
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*(mriqc) (fmriprep)*

*(BIDS allows you to use both of these very easily.  
See links on final slide!)*





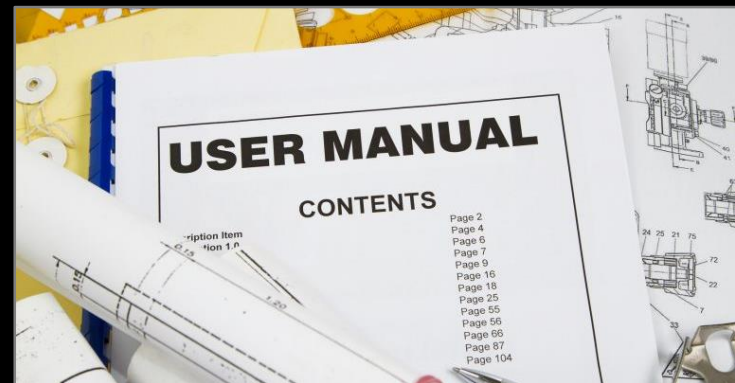
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**Provenance** - Including task timing, acquisition parameters, etc. provides the context of the data alongside the data themselves



# BIAC

MyStudy/

Data/

Anat/

19540101\_00001/

bia6\_00001\_001.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_001.bxh

19540102\_00002/

bia6\_00002\_001.nii.gz

bia6\_00002\_001.bxh

bia6\_00002\_100.nii.gz

bia6\_00002\_100.bxh

Func/

19540101\_00001/

bia6\_00001\_003\_01.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_003\_01.bxh

bia6\_00001\_003\_02.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_003\_02.bxh

19540102\_00002/

bia6\_00002\_003\_01.nii.gz

bia6\_00002\_003\_01.bxh

bia6\_00002\_004\_01.nii.gz

bia6\_00002\_004\_01.bxh

**bxh2bids!**

# BIDS

my\_dataset/

participants.tsv

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# Goal

**Make it as easy as possible to convert data from BIAC into BIDS**

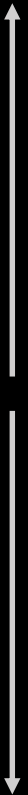
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# What it does...

## bxh2bids

Locate .bxh files

Anat/

19540101\_00001/

bia6\_00001\_001.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_001.bxh

19540102\_00002/

bia6\_00002\_001.nii.gz

bia6\_00002\_001.bxh

bia6\_00002\_100.nii.gz

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Func/

19540101\_00001/

bia6\_00001\_003\_01.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_003\_01.bxh

bia6\_00001\_004\_01.nii.gz

bia6\_00001\_004\_01.bxh

19540102\_00002/

bia6\_00002\_003\_01.nii.gz

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# What it does...

## bxh2bids

For each .bxh file:

- Locate image data

Anat/

```
19540101_00001/  
    bia6_00001_001.nii.gz  
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19540102_00002/  
    bia6_00002_001.nii.gz  
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```

Func/

```
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# What it does...

## bxh2bids

For each .bxh file:

- Locate image data
- Determine BIDS Type

Anat/

```
19540101_00001/  
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- Rename/copy image

Anat/

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If Functional:

- Rename/Copy event .tsv file

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19540101_00001/  
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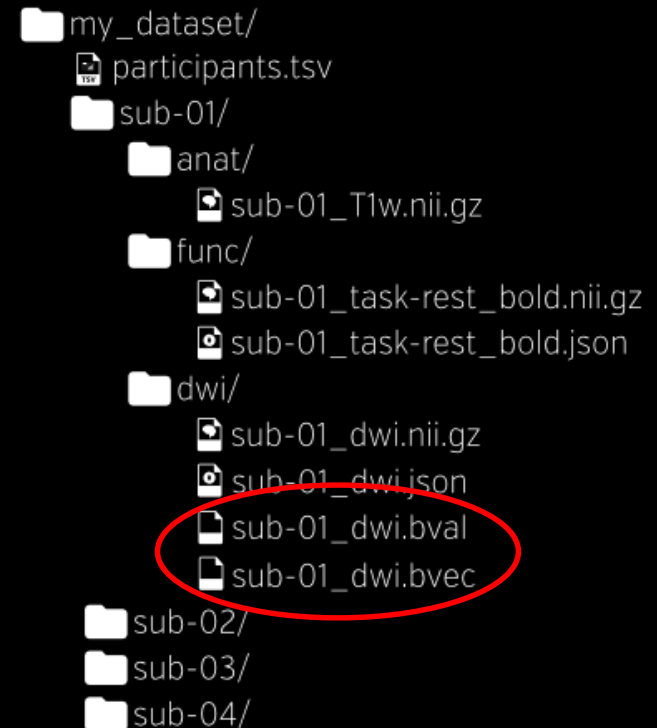
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If DWI:

- Extract bvals and bvecs into files



Thanks to John Powers

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**What it does...**

**...with a little help.**

## User

For each BIAC session:

- Fill out .json template with BIDS sub, ses, and run labels.
- If functional task, create a .tsv file.

For each study:

- Fill out a “run” python script with data input/output information

Anat/

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19540101_00001/  
    bia6_00001_001.nii.gz  
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- Fill out .json template with BIDS sub, ses, and run labels.
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**But fear not!**

**After initial set-up, getting a new session into BIDS takes only about 5 min.**

- Fill out .json template with basic directory info (input, output, etc.)

Anat/

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bia6\_00001\_001.nii.gz  
bia6\_00001\_001.bxh

19540102\_00002/  
bia6\_00002\_001.nii.gz  
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sub-01\_dwi.nii.gz  
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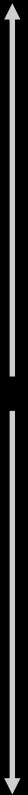
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# Getting the Code

Available on Github: <https://github.com/jlgraner/bxh2bids>

- Click the “Clone or Download” button
- Save as a .zip, then unzip it

**OR**

Clone via git:

```
“git clone https://github.com/jlgraner/bxh2bids”
```

# Things Inside the Zip

## Python Scripts

`bxh2bids.py`: library containing the functions that actually do things

`bxh_pick_fields.py`: function that pulls BIDS-relevant info. from `.bxh` files

(files that store  
relationships between BIDS  
image parameters and fields  
in the `.bxh` files)

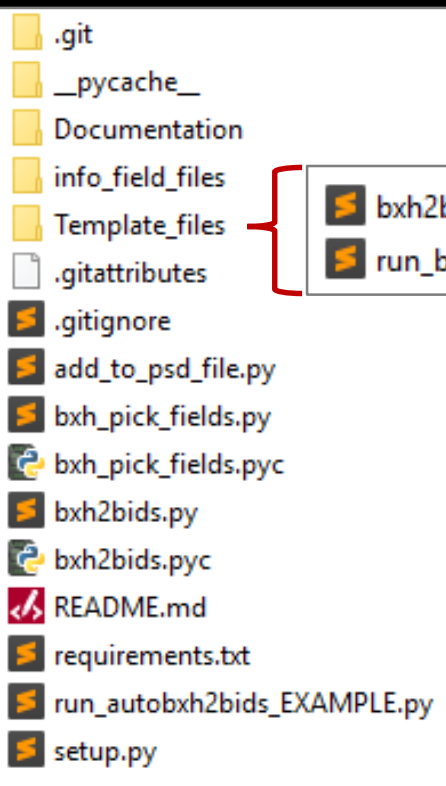
## “Translation” Files

`anat_info_fields.json`  
`func_info_fields.json`  
`dwi_info_fields.json`  
`psd_types.json`

## Template Files

(files that store information  
BIDS needs to know but  
that isn't in the `.bxh` files)

`run_bxh2bids_EXAMPLE.py`  
`bxh2bids_YYYYMMDD_ZZZZ.json`



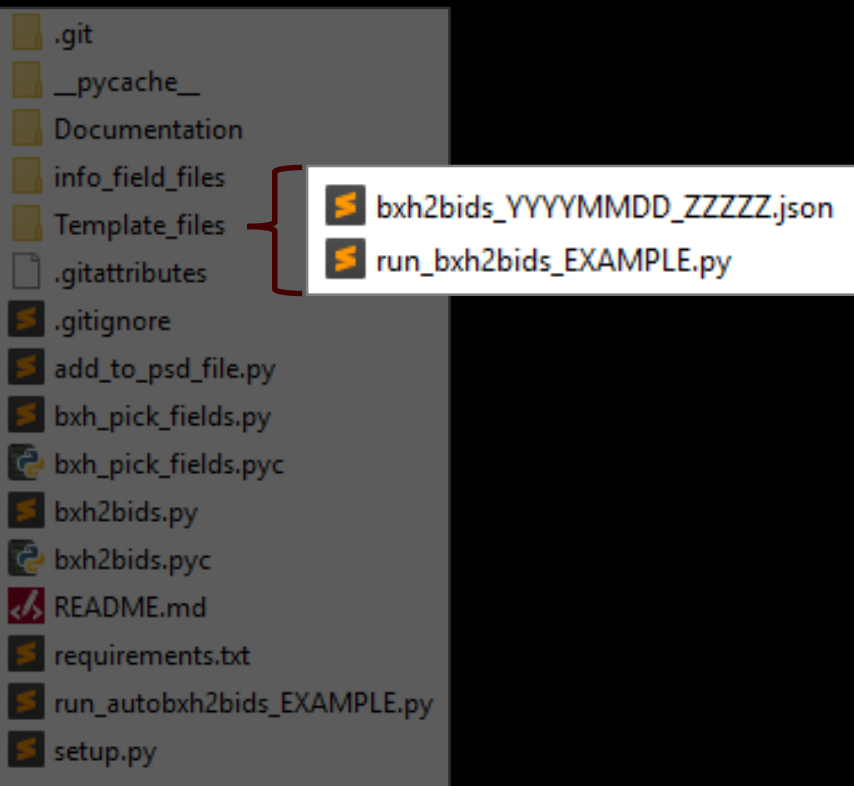


# Things Inside the Zip

## (That You'd Care About)

`bxh2bids_YYYYMMDD_ZZZZ.json`: Session information file template. You'll need one edited and renamed copy of this for each imaging session.

`run_bxh2bids_EXAMPLE.py`: Script that runs everything. You'll need one edited and renamed copy for each study.



## “Out of the box”

```
9  #COPY OF THE bxh2bids DIRECTORY AS A STRING.
10  bxh2bids_dir = "DIRECTORY CONTAINING YOUR bxh2bids.py FILE"
11
12  sys.path.append(bxh2bids_dir)
13  import bxh2bids as b2b
14
15  #The sessions you wish to put into BIDS format right now
16
17  to_run = [
18  |         | 'YYYYMMDD_ZZZZ'
19  |         | ]
20
21  #Set information about your study sessions
22  source_study_dir="PATH CONTAINING YOUR 'Data' DIRECTORY"
23  target_study_dir="WHERE YOU WANT THE BIDS DATA TO BE WRITTEN. THE LAST ELEMENT OF THE PATH WILL BE THE STUDY NAME."
24  log_dir="DIRECTORY WHERE YOU WANT THIS SCRIPT TO WRITE LOG FILES"
25  ses_info_dir="DIRECTORY WHERE YOU WILL STORE YOUR SESSION INFO FILES"
26
```

## Ready to run

```
#COPY OF THE bxh2bids DIRECTORY AS A STRING.
bxh2bids_dir = "/mydir/code/bxh2bids"

sys.path.append(bxh2bids_dir)
import bxh2bids as b2b

#The sessions you wish to put into BIDS format right now

to_run = [
|         | '20191213_12345'
|         | ]

#Set information about your study sessions
source_study_dir="/mydir/studies/mystudy"
target_study_dir="/mydir/studies/mystudy/data_BIDS"
log_dir="/mydir/studies/mystudy/data_BIDS/bxh2bids_logs"
ses_info_dir="/mydir/studies/mystudy/data_BIDS/bxh2bids_ses_info"
```

# bxh2bids\_SESSION\_INFO.json

Create a directory to house copies of this outside the repository.

You'll need one of these per session.

## "Out of the box"

```

1  {
2  "sub": "[[SUBJECT ID 1]]",
3  "ses": "[[BIDS SES]]",
4  "funcs": {
5      "###_##": {
6          "task": "[[YOUR TASK NAME]]",
7          "run": "##",
8          "tsv_file": "[[FULL PATH AND FILE NAME OF THE .TSV FILE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS RUN]].tsv"
9      },
10     "###_##": {
11         "task": "[[YOUR TASK NAME]]",
12         "run": "##",
13         "tsv_file": "[[FULL PATH AND FILE NAME OF THE .TSV FILE ASSOCIATED WITH THIS RUN]].tsv"
14     }
15 }
16 }

```

# bxh2bids\_19540101\_00001.json

Ready to run

```

1  {
2  "sub": "01",
3  "ses": "day1",
4  "funcs": {
5      "003_01": {
6          "task": "MyTask",
7          "run": "01",
8          "tsv_file": "/where/my/event/files/are/sub-01_ses-day1_task-MyTask_run-run1_events.tsv"
9      },
10     "004_01": {
11         "task": "MyOtherTask",
12         "run": "01",
13         "tsv_file": "/where/my/event/files/are/sub-01_ses-day1_task-MyOtherTask_run-run1_events.tsv"
14     }
15 }
16 }
17

```

# Example Functional Event .tsv File

It is up to the user\* to create these to match the BIDS specification.

The first 2 columns (onset, duration) are required; other optional columns are specified in the BIDS spec.

onset	duration	trial_type	stim_info	response_time
8.27	2.90	arrow	correct	0.47282
11.30	2.90	arrow	correct	0.33608
14.33	2.90	arrow	correct	0.34302
17.52	5.01	negMemCue	CENSORED	n/a
22.53	10.01	negStratCue	DISTRACT	n/a
32.55	5.02	negVRate	4	2.9466
37.78	5.00	negARate	4	1.2226
52.83	2.90	arrow	correct	0.60232
55.86	2.90	arrow	correct	0.37413
58.90	2.90	arrow	correct	0.32297
62.00	5.01	negMemCue	CENSORED	n/a
67.01	10.01	negStratCue	DISTRACT	n/a
77.03	5.02	negVRate	4	2.1837
82.26	5.00	negARate	4	1.0129
94.31	2.90	arrow	correct	0.39248
97.34	2.90	arrow	None	None
100.38	2.90	arrow	correct	0.44316
103.48	5.01	negMemCue	CENSORED	n/a
108.49	10.01	negStratCue	DISTRACT	n/a
118.51	5.02	negVRate	4	2.2781
123.74	5.00	negARate	4	0.74089
137.81	2.90	arrow	correct	0.46613
140.84	2.90	arrow	correct	0.45588
143.87	2.90	arrow	correct	0.3679
146.97	5.01	neuMemCue	CENSORED	n/a
151.99	10.01	neuStratCue	FLOW	n/a
162.01	5.02	neuVRate	4	1.2277
167.24	5.00	neuARate	4	0.74964
182.29	2.90	arrow	correct	0.47444

\*John G. has some code to convert FSL condition files to a BIDS .tsv.

Thanks to Leonard Faul

# Logistical Summary

## Initial Setup (~30 min)

<https://github.com/jlgraner/bxh2bids>

Download

run\_bxh2bids\_EXAMPLE.py

bxh2bids\_YYYYMMDD\_ZZZZZ.json

} Copy and edit

## Things to do for each BIAC session (each unique YYYYMMDD\_##### directory) (~5 min)

Event .tsv files

bxh2bids\_YYYYMMDD\_ZZZZZ.json file

} Create

## When you want to run it

run\_bxh2bids\_MYSTUDY.py - Edit session list

"python -m run\_bxh2bids\_MYSTUDY"

# Useful Links

**bxh2bids:** <https://github.com/jlgraner/bxh2bids>

**BIDS main site:** <http://bids.neuroimaging.io>

**BIDS validator:** <http://incf.github.io/bids-validator/>

**BIDS spec:** [http://bids.neuroimaging.io/bids\\_spec1.0.2.pdf](http://bids.neuroimaging.io/bids_spec1.0.2.pdf)

**mriqc:** <http://mriqc.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

**fmriprep:** <http://fmriprep.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>