

BPM^e Toolbox

Biological Parametric Mapping - Extended

The BPM Random Regressors Toolbox is provided as an overlay on the WFU Biological Parametric Mapping Toolbox release 1.5d as modified by the robust extension package. All indications of license terms apply only to the changes made to the code from its original developers.

Please cite the following reference for the BPM software:

- Ramon Casanova, Ryali Srikanth, Aaron Baer, Paul J. Laurienti, Jonathan H. Burdette, Satoru Hayasaka, Lynn Flowers, Frank Wood and Joseph A. Maldjian. "Biological parametric mapping: A statistical toolbox for multimodality brain image analysis." *NeuroImage* Volume 34, Issue 1, 1 January 2007, Pages 137-143 [PMCID1994117](#)

Please cite the following reference for the Robust and Non-Parametric BPM additions:

- X. Yang, L. Beason-Held, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Biological parametric mapping with robust and non-parametric statistics," *Neuroimage*, vol. 57, pp. 423-30, Jul 15 2011. [PMID21569856](#)

Please cite the following reference for the Model II and Regression Calibration Extensions:

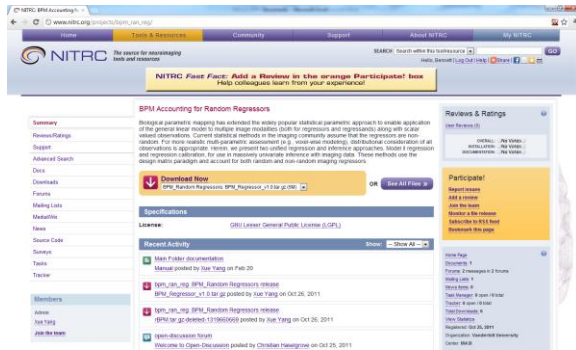
- X. Yang, C. B. Lauzon, C. Crainiceanu, B. Caffo, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Accounting for Random Regressors: A Unified Approach to Multi-modality Imaging," in *MICCAI 2011 Workshop of Multi-Modal Methods*, Toronto, Canada, 2011. [URL](#)

REVISION HISTORY

- 3.0 BPM^e 2012/2/28 - All toolboxes combined into a single package of extensions
- 2.1 rbpm 2011/06/08
- 2.0 rbpm/bnpm 2011/04/07
- 1.0 rpbm/bnpm 2011/01/03

INSTALLATION

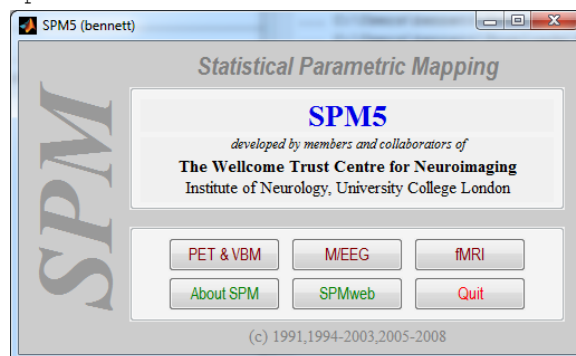
- Download the latest version of the toolbox from <http://www.nitrc.org/projects/rbpm/> (click on the red arrow)



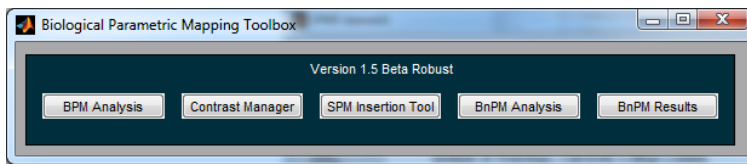
- Decompress and extract the bundle to a location accessible by Matlab. We tested Matlab 7.12 (R2011a and b).
- Add the extracted directory and subdirectories to your Matlab path:
 - `addpath('<full path to directory>')`
- To initialize the BPM toolbox, run:
 - `wfu_startup`

```
Adding WFU toolboxes to path
... <path>\BPM_Regressor\wfu_bpm
... <path>\BPM_Regressor\wfu_insertion_tool
... <path>\BPM_Regressor\wfu_utilities
... <path>\BPM_Regressor\wfu_pickatlas
... <path>\BPM_Regressor\random_reg
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- We currently fully support the SPM5 software with all updates applied. Please see the Wake Forest website for details to enable partial support for SPM8 (<http://fmri.wfubmc.edu/software/Bpm>). SPM5 availability via SPM Central has been intermittent (<http://www.fil.ion.ucl.ac.uk/spm/software/>). Archived copies of the complete package may be downloaded via SourceForge at <http://sourceforge.net/projects/spm5/files/>.
- Check to ensure that SPM5 is installed and operational. Type:
 - `spm`



- Close the SPM window and verify that the BPM toolbox will start. Type
 - wfu_bpm



ROBUST BPM (rBPM) - DEMONSTRATION

SIMULATION DATA

Download and extract the BpMe_3.0.zip file, all sample images are in the folder “sampledata”.

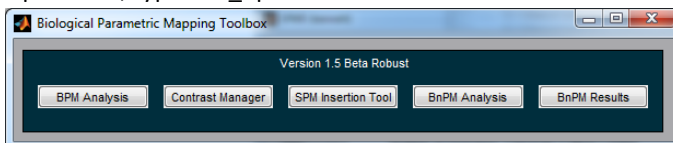
For without outlier example, the dependent modality images are listed in file simulation_y.flist and one imaging covariate images are listed in file simulation_gm.flist.

For with outlier example, the dependent modality images are listed in file simulation_y_shift.flist and one imaging covariate images are listed in file simulation_gm_shift.flist.

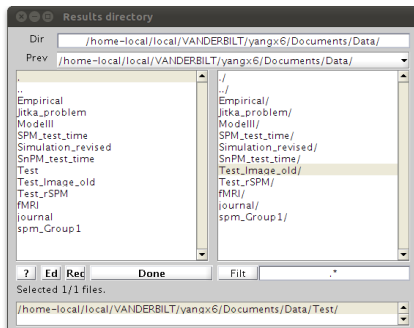
These data repeat Figure 4 in X. Yang, L. Beason-Held, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Biological parametric mapping with robust and non-parametric statistics," *Neuroimage*, vol. 57, pp. 423-30, Jul 15 2011. [PMID21569856](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/21569856/).

ANALYSIS

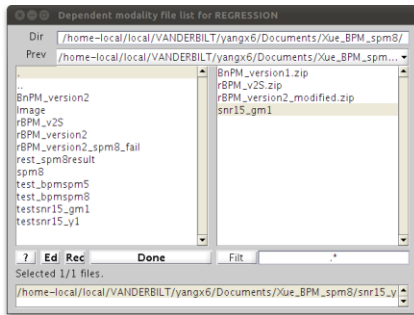
- Open BPM, type wfu_bpm



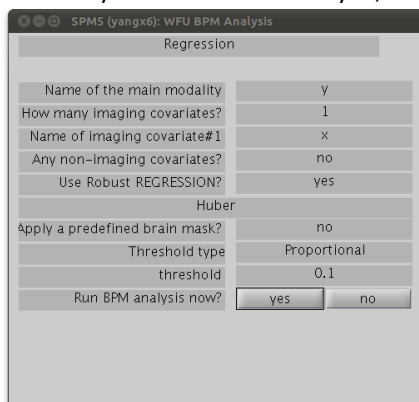
- Estimation: Click “BPM Analysis” button.
- Choose result directory, click “Done”.



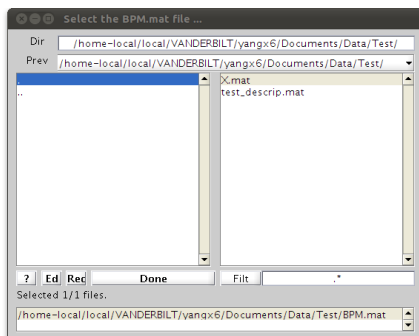
- In the pull-down manual of “Select type of analysis”, choose “Regression”.
- Choose the file listing dependent modality images, press “Done”. (snr15_y1.flist)



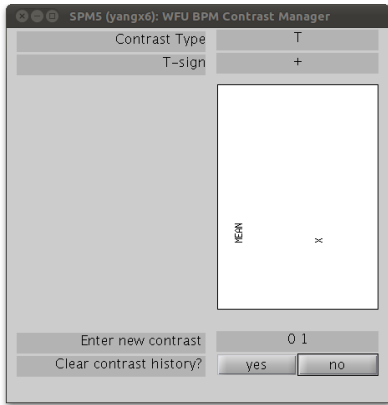
- Write down the name for the dependent modality (e.g., “y”).
- Write down the number of imaging covariates (“1” here).
- Write down the name for the imaging covariates.
- Choose the file containing the imaging covariate images, press “Done”.
- Select if any non-imaging covariates (e.g., sex, age). If the answer is yes, the value of these covariates should be written in a file with one column for each covariate, select this file, press “Done”.
- Select if use robust regression. If yes, select the weight function for the robust regression. If no, it will perform traditional BPM analysis.
- Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.
- Choose “yes” to run rBPM analysis, “no” to cancel.



- Inference: after rBPM Analysis is done, click “Contrast Manager” button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory.



- Select T-test or F-test. If select T-test, choose positive or negative sign.
- Enter contrast for each covariate with space between them.

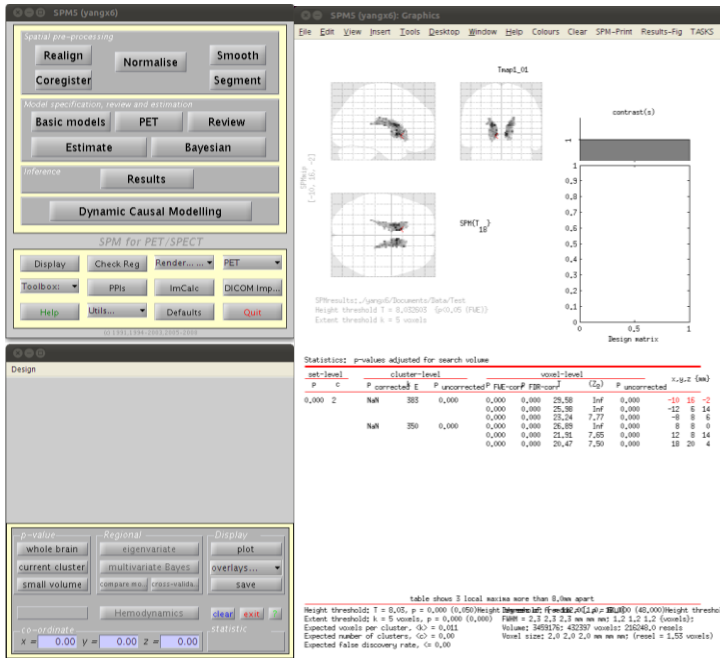


VISUALIZATION

- In the BPM toolbox, click “SPM Insertion Tool” button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory, press “Done”.
- Type the name of the name of the map title, press enter.
- Open SPM (Type “spm”).
- Click “PET & VBM” button.
- Click “Results” in the pop up toolbox.
- Choose the SPM.mat file in the directory, press “Done”.
- In the SPM contrast manager, choose the map build by BPM.



- The result is displayed in SPM graphics.



NON-PARAMETRIC BPM (BnPM)- DEMONSTRATION

Note: BnPM require computer cluster access.

SIMULATION DATA

Download and extract the BpMe_3.0.zip file, all sample images are in the folder "sampledata".

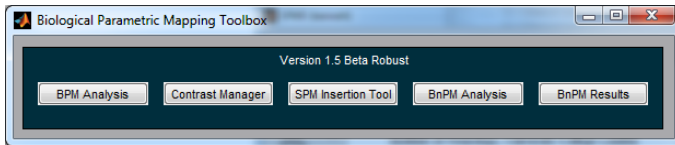
For without outlier example, the dependent modality images are listed in file simulation_y.flist and one imaging covariate images are listed in file simulation_gm.flist.

For with outlier example, the dependent modality images are listed in file simulation_y_shift.flist and one imaging covariate images are listed in file simulation_gm_shift.flist.

These data repeat Figure 4 in X. Yang, L. Beason-Held, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Biological parametric mapping with robust and non-parametric statistics," *Neuroimage*, vol. 57, pp. 423-30, Jul 15 2011. [PMID21569856](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/21569856/).

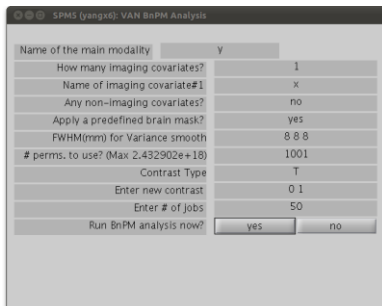
ANALYSIS

- Open BPM, type wfu_bpm

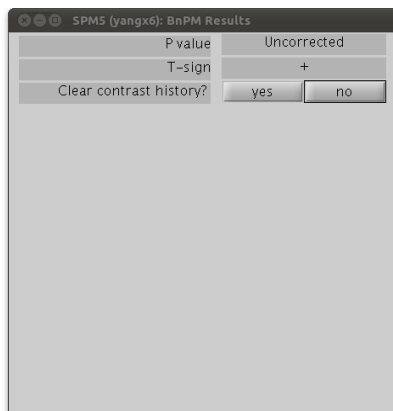


- Estimation: Click "BnPM Analysis" button.
- Choose result directory, click "Done".
- Choose the file listing dependent modality images, press "Done". (snr15_y1.flist)
- Write down the name for the dependent modality (e.g., "y").
- Write down the number of imaging covariates ("1" here).

- Write down the name for the imaging covariates.
- Choose the file containing the imaging covariate images, press “Done”.
- Select if any non-imaging covariates (e.g., sex, age). If the answer is yes, the value of these covariates should be written in a file with one column for each covariate, select this file, press “Done”.
- Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.
- Enter FWHM (mm) for variance smooth. One value for each dimension with space between them (We type ‘8 8 8’ here).
- Choose if use approximate permutation test. If yes, enter the number of permutations. This number cannot be larger than the max permutations.
- Select T-test or F-test.
- Enter the number of sub-jobs.
- Select a pbs template to execute qsub. Please refer to the “computer cluster” section for more details.
- Choose “yes” to run BnPM analysis.



- Inference: after all BnPM sub-jobs are done, click “BnPM Results” button.
- Select the BnPMstr.mat file in the result directory.
- Choose uncorrected or corrected p-value.
- If T-test is used in the estimation, choose the sign of the T-test.



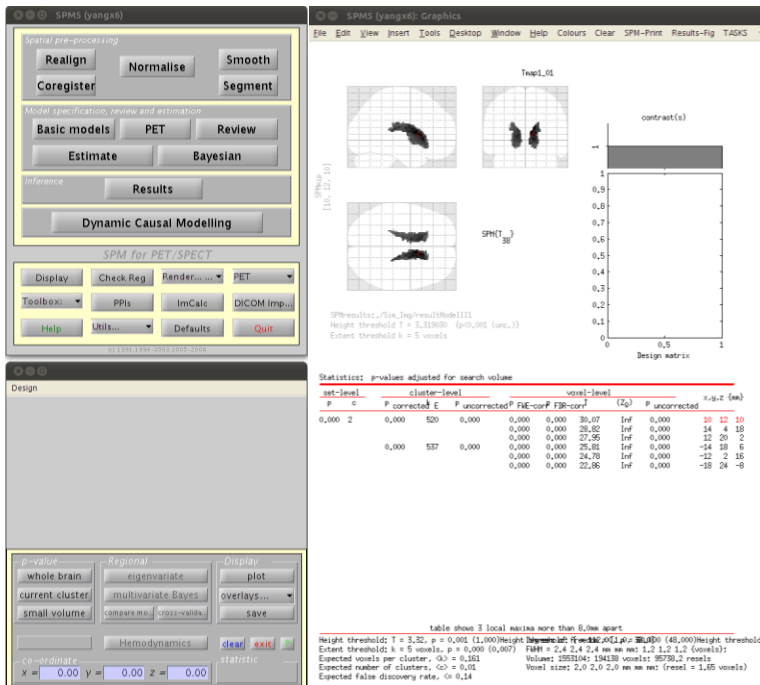
VISUALIZATION

- In the BPM toolbox, click “SPM Insertion Tool” button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory, press “Done”.
- Type the name of the name of the map title, press enter.
- Open SPM (Type “spm”).
- Click “PET & VBM” button.

- Click “Results” in the pop up toolbox.
- Choose the SPM.mat file in the directory, press “Done”.
- In the SPM contrast manager, choose the map build by BPM.



- The result is displayed in SPM graphics.



MODEL II REGRESSION (BPM^e)- DEMONSTRATION

SIMULATION DATA

Download and extract the BPM^e_3.0.zip file, all sample images are in the folder “sampledata”.

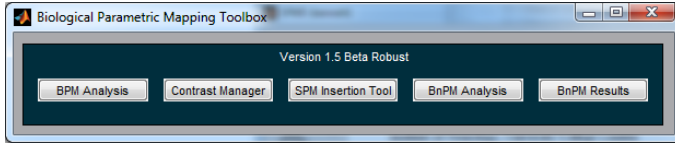
The dependent modality images are listed in file regressand.flist

One imaging covariate images are listed in file GM1.flist.

These data is subset of the dataset for Figure 5 in X. Yang, C. B. Lauzon, C. Crainiceanu, B. Caffo, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Accounting for Random Regressors: A Unified Approach to Multi-modality Imaging," in MICCAI 2011 Workshop of Multi-Modal Methods, Toronto, Canada, 2011. [URL](#).

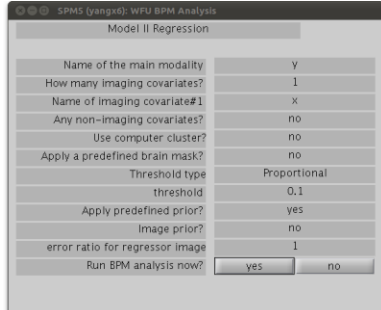
ANALYSIS

- Open BPM, type wfu_bpm

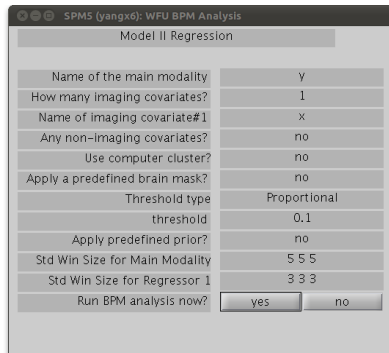


- Estimation: Click “BPM Analysis” button.
- Choose result directory, click “Done”.
- In the pull-down manual of “Select type of analysis”, choose “Model II Regression”.
- Choose the file listing dependent modality images, press “Done”. (regressand.flist)
- Write down the name for the dependent modality (e.g., “y”).
- Write down the number of imaging covariates (“1” here).
- Write down the name for the imaging covariates.
- Choose the file containing the imaging covariate images, press “Done”.
- Select if any non-imaging covariates (e.g., sex, age). If the answer is yes, the value of these covariates should be written in a file with one column for each covariate, select this file, press “Done”.
- Select if use computer cluster. Analysis of typical size images need to use computer cluster to complete estimation in a reasonable time. If not use computer cluster:

- Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.
- Choose if apply a predefined prior. If yes, select an image prior or type the error ratio for each imaging covariate.



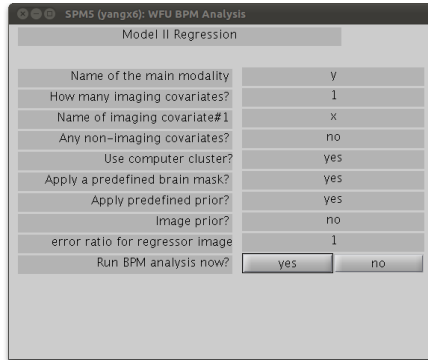
- If not applying predefined prior, write down the window size for the main modality and the regressor images with one value for each dimension.



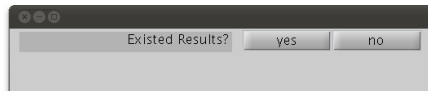
- Press “yes” to run model II regression analysis, “no” to cancel.

- If use computer cluster

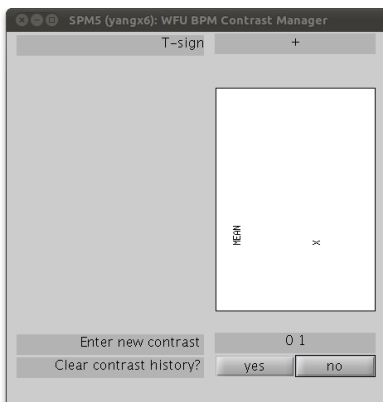
- Enter your email address for the computer cluster.
- Select a .pbs template file to execute qsub. Please refer to the “computer cluster” section for more details.
- Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.
- Choose if apply a predefined prior. If yes, select an image prior or type the error ratio for each imaging covariate.



- If not applying predefined prior, write down the window size for the main modality and the regressor images with one value for each dimension.
- Press “yes” to run model II regression analysis, it will ask if results are existed first.
- Choose “no” to submit jobs to computer cluster nodes. It will ask to select the spm toolbox folder and the bpm toolbox folder. The window will pop up again when all jobs are finished and the user can choose “yes” to combine all results together.



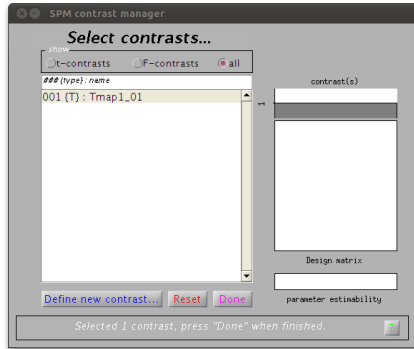
- Inference: after model II regression estimation is done, click “Contrast Manager” button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory.
- Select positive or negative sign for T-test. (This version only support T-test for Model II regression)
- Enter contrast for each covariate with space between them.



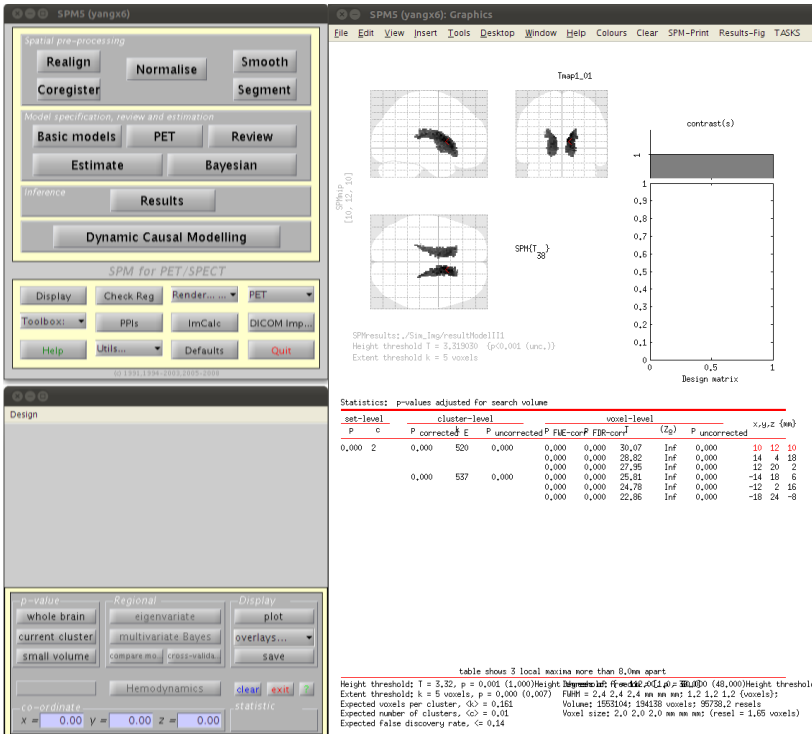
VISUALIZATION

- In the BPM toolbox, click “SPM Insertion Tool” button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory, press “Done”.

- Type the name of the name of the map title, press enter.
- Open SPM (Type “spm”).
- Click “PET & VBM” button.
- Click “Results” in the pop up toolbox.
- Choose the SPM.mat file in the directory, press “Done”.
- In the SPM contrast manager, choose the map build by BPM.



- The result is displayed in SPM graphics.



REGRESSION CALIBRATION (BPM^e)- DEMONSTRATION

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The dependent modality images are listed in file regressand.flist

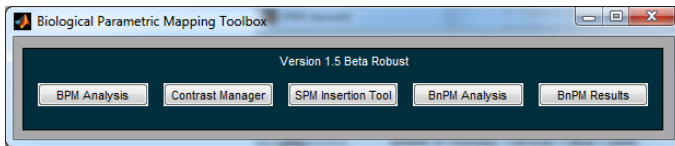
One imaging covariate images are listed in file GM1.flist.

The replicated measurements of the imaging covariate images are listed in file GM2.flist.

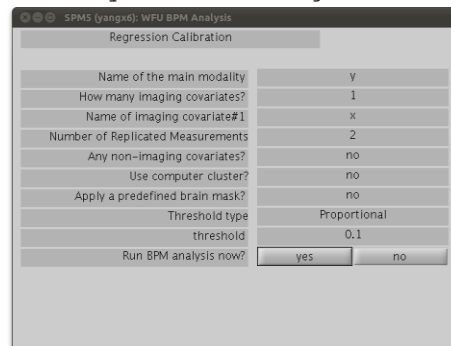
These data is subset of the dataset for Figure 5 in X. Yang, C. B. Lauzon, C. Crainiceanu, B. Caffo, S. M. Resnick, and B. A. Landman, "Accounting for Random Regressors: A Unified Approach to Multi-modality Imaging," in MICCAI 2011 Workshop of Multi-Modal Methods, Toronto, Canada, 2011. [URL](#).

ANALYSIS

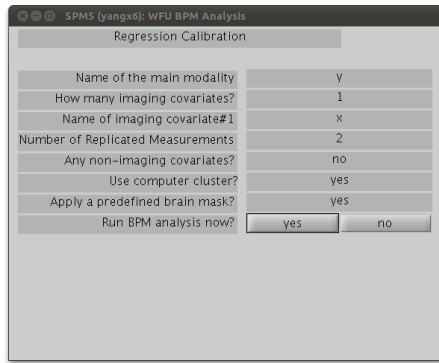
- Open BPM, type wfu_bpm



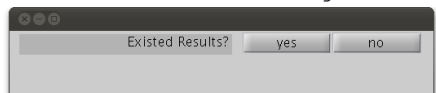
- Estimation: Click "BPM Analysis" button.
- Choose result directory, click "Done".
- In the pull-down manual of "Select type of analysis", choose "Regression Calibration".
- Choose the file listing dependent modality images, press "Done". (regressand.flist)
- Write down the name for the dependent modality (e.g., "y").
- Write down the number of imaging covariates ("1" here).
- Write down the name for the imaging covariates.
- Enter number of replicated measurements for the imaging covariates. ("2" here)
- Choose the file containing the imaging covariate images, press "Done". One measurement by a time.
- Select if any non-imaging covariates (e.g., sex, age). If the answer is yes, the value of these covariates should be written in a file with one column for each covariate, select this file, press "Done".
- Select if use computer cluster. Analysis of typical size images need to use computer cluster to complete estimation in a reasonable time. If not use computer cluster
 - Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.
 - Press "yes" to run regression calibration, "no" to cancel.



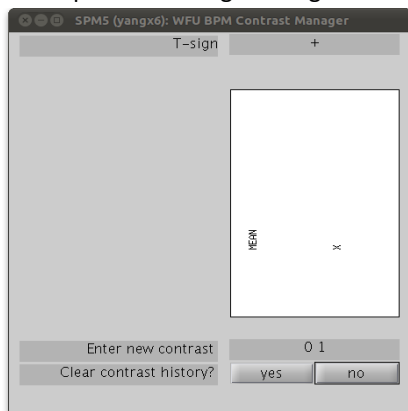
- If use computer cluster,
 - Enter your email address for the computer cluster.
 - Select a .pbs template file to execute qsub. Please refer to the "computer cluster" section for more details.
 - Select if apply a predefined brain mask. If no, select the threshold type and write down the threshold value.



- Press "yes" to run model II regression analysis, it will ask if results are existed first.
- Choose "no" to submit jobs to computer cluster nodes. It will ask to select the spm toolbox folder and the bpm toolbox folder. The window will pop up again when all jobs are finished and the user can choose "yes" to combine all results together.



- Inference: after regression calibration estimation is done, click "Contrast Manager" button.
- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory.
- Enter contrast for each covariate with space between them.
Select positive or negative sign for T-test. (This version only support T-test for Model II regression)

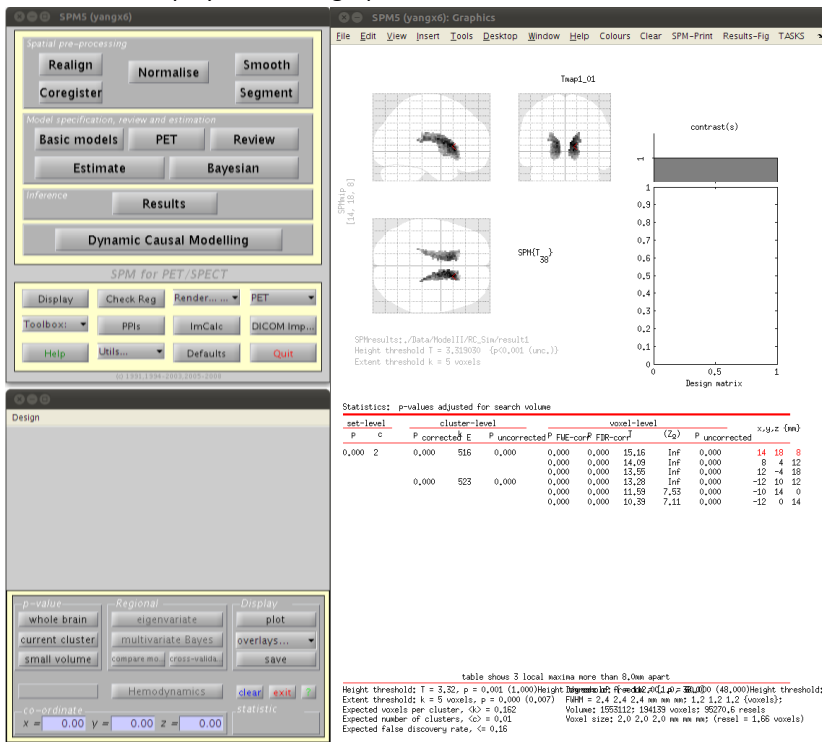


VISUALIZATION

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- Choose the BPM.mat file in the result directory, press "Done".
- Type the name of the name of the map title, press enter.
- Open SPM (Type "spm").
- Click "PET & VBM" button.
- Click "Results" in the pop up toolbox.
- Choose the SPM.mat file in the directory, press "Done".
- In the SPM contrast manager, choose the map build by BPM.



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COMPUTER CLUSTER

- When mention “computer cluster access” in the manual, it means that
 - the user has a qsub based cluster,
 - matlab is present on all nodes,
 - the file system access is shared across all nodes.
- User needs to select a pbs template file for generating pbs files for each job. The pbs template file should not include the matlab command line. e.g., a pbs template:

```
#!/bin/bash
#PBS -M xue.yang@vanderbilt.edu
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1:x86
#PBS -l walltime=01:00:00
#PBS -l mem=2000mb
#PBS -o xue-cluster.txt
#PBS -j oe
```

The corresponding submitted pbs file for one job is

```
#!/bin/bash
#PBS -M xue.yang@vanderbilt.edu
#PBS -l nodes=1:ppn=1:x86
#PBS -l walltime=1:00:00
#PBS -l mem=2000mb
#PBS -o xue-cluster.txt
#PBS -j oe
matlab -nodesktop < /gpfs21/scratch/yangx6/Sim_Img/resultModelIII1/Slice1/modII_slice1.m >matlab.output
touch /gpfs21/scratch/yangx6/Sim_Img/resultModelIII1/Slice1/job58669.done
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