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BrainHack 2020

**On December 2-4,
INT did organize the second Brainhack Marseille,
as part of the Brainhack Global 2020**

November 30th - December 13th

Fully virtual

Facts

- 51 registered attendees, 7 labs represented (INT, INS, LNC, LPL, Lyon, Neurospin..).
+ members of Brainhack Global (R.Toro, Katja, Remi Gau etc)
- The program did include 4 conferences in addition to hacking
- No training this year, requires volunteers/preparation and great open resources available online
- All participants had the opportunity to propose projects, new or already under development.
- 7 projects were proposed, with a short description, see the website

<https://brainhack-marseille.github.io/>

Go to the website and show

- The program
- Quick overview of the projects

All Times are UTC +3. To convert to your local
[time check here](#)

Things I wished I knew when I started coding (with Matlab) by Remi Gau, Twitter: @RemiGau.
December 1, 10:00-12:00 UTC.
PS: To register please scan the QR code below:



Unconference: Brainhacking in clinical/nonmethods - oriented settings by Valentina Borghesani, Twitter: @vborghesani.
December 1, 13:00-14:00 UTC.
PS: To register the online unconference please scan the QR code below:



Open Development Tools: an overview by Stefano Moia
December 2, 8:00-8:45 UTC.
PS: To register the please scan the QR code below:



**December 1,
2020**

12:00-12:45	Opening Remarks by Brainhack Ankara Organization.
12:45-13:00	Break
13:00-15:00	Things I wished I knew when I started coding (with Matlab).Instructor: Remi Gau , Postdoctoral Research Fellow at Crossmodal perception plasticity lab at the Université catholique de Louvain.
15:00-16:00	Project Pitches.
16:00-17:00	Unconference: Brainhacking in clinical/nonmethods - oriented settings. Instructor: Instructor: Valentina Borghesani , Postdoctoral Researcher at Psychology Department of the Université de Montreal.

December 2, 2020

10:30-11:00	Unconference: Brainhack Proceedings .
11:00-11:50	Open Development Tools: an overview. Instructor: Stefano Moia
11:50-12:00	Break
12:00-14:00	Introduction to Python. Instructor Ömer Cengiz .
14:00-15:00	Introduction to Deep Learning. Instructor: Ugur Halıcı .
15:00-15:30	Break

Brainhack Global 2020

Aujourd'hui



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[Brainhack Marburg](#)

[Brainhack Avoca](#)

[Brainhack Ankara](#)

[Brainhack Marseille](#)

[Brainhack Western-Ontario](#)

08:30 [Brainhack Ankara Day2](#)

jeudi, 3 décembre

[Brainhack Marburg](#)

[Brainhack Avoca](#)

» 18:30 [Brainhack Ankara](#)

[Brainhack Marseille](#)

[Brainhack Western-Ontario](#)

08:00 [Brainhack Ankara Day3](#)

11:30 [Brainhack Marseille - Unconference - Cyril Pernet](#)

16:00 [Brainhack Marseille - Unconference - Thomas Brochier & Julia Sprenger](#)

vendredi, 4 décembre

[Brainhack Marburg](#)

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[Brainhack Western-Ontario](#)

samedi, 5 décembre

[Brainhack Marburg](#)

dimanche, 6 décembre

[Brainhack Marburg](#)

[Brainhak Princeton](#)

[Brainhack Pittsburgh](#)

lundi, 7 décembre

Organization

- 1 mattermost channel for all attendees
- 1 main zoom conf for all attendees (intro, warp-up etc)
- 1 (different) zoom for two conf that were broadcasted (shared) with Brainhack Global
- Each project leader was managing his project
 - 1 specific zoom link
 - 1 specific mattermost channel
- Discussions with other Brainhacks (Donostia, Ankara, Ontario) and Brainhack Global



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@guillaume_auz...



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PUBLIC CHANNELS +

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🌐 bhg20-marseille

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🌐 bhg20-marseille-slam

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🌐 Brainhack Global 2020 ...

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🌐 brainhack-global

🌐 Brainhack2020-Beljing...

🌐 BrainHackPD

🌐 ferret-data

🌐 france

🌐 laminar_python

🌐 Off-Topic

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Discussion channel for the participants of the Brainhack Marseille 2020 (<https://brainhack-marseille.github.io/>)

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remi-gau 7:40 PM

A short demo of Sourcery, a python tool that helps you write cleaner code, given at Brainhack Ankara:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mPOHlkDS4xc>



Fri, Dec 04, 2020



sylvain.takerkart 8:33 AM

@all Good morning everybody! Soooo, the program of the day: 1. happy hacking during the entire morning, 2. Guillaume Dumas' un... about reproducibility from 2-3pm, 3. hacking from 3 to 4pm, 4. a newly-added 15mn presentation at 4pm about the history of brain... impact etc. (as currently being written up in a paper), followed up by the project wrap-up session, and 5. a virtual aperooooo!!!!



System 9:43 AM

@rohit joined the channel.



dipankarb 1:47 PM

Hi @all, Todays unconf of G.Dumas at 2pm.

The main zoom link :

<https://univ-amu-fr.zoom.us/j/96462219227?pwd=YXdycFB3c1VOT2NaQUVFUWlyVGFMUT09>

Meeting ID: 91580293395

Password: MBH2020



System 3:35 PM

@brovelli joined the channel.



mszinte 4:04 PM

Presentation of the Brainhack paper is now !

<https://univ-amu-fr.zoom.us/j/96462219227?pwd=YXdycFB3c1VOT2NaQUVFUWlyVGFMUT09>

(edited)



guillaume_auzias 4:11 PM

@all, here is a pdf of the slides and links from Guillaume Dumas's unconference:



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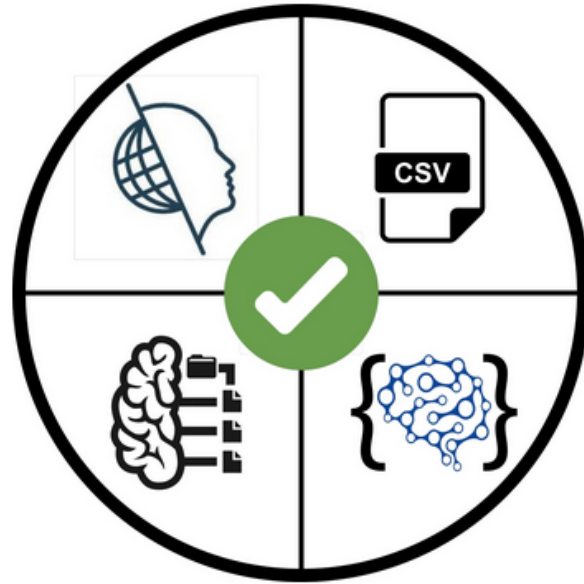
jeremy.garcia 4:12 PM

Nice ,Thank you =)

Write to bhg20-marseille

eCOBIDAS: a webApp to that writes your methods section for you

by Rémi Gau



Description

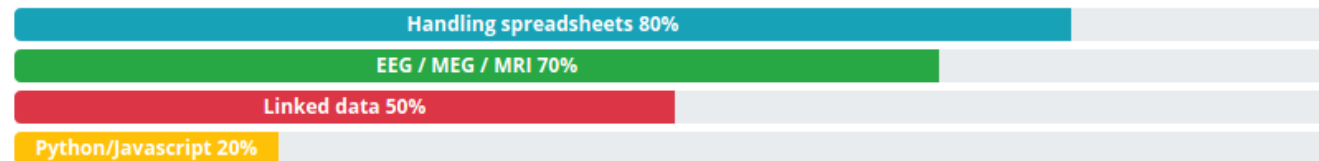
The main aim of this project is to **improve reporting methods and results in neuroimaging** (f/MRI, i/EEG, MEG, PET...) in order to increase transparency and reproducibility. We want to do this by developing a set webapps to run checklists based on best practices guidelines and recommendation of a field, that are both easy and practical to use, that provides a machine readable summary of an experiment and its analysis, and that can then automatically generate parts of the methods section. To get started you can explore the [github page](#) of the project and the retative [documentation](#).

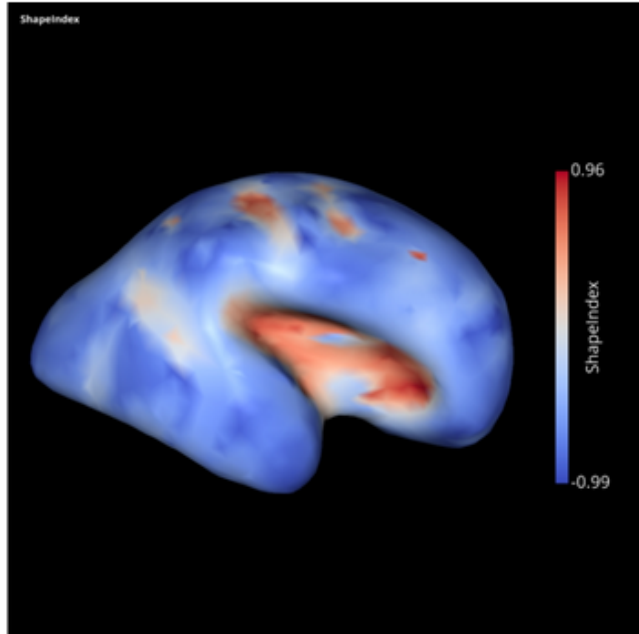
You can find several "good first issues" [here](#) but during this event I would like to focus on:

- Making sure the documenation is understandable and constitute good on-board and How-To materieal
- Create some prototype script / toy example that can take the output of the app and generate a method section

Required skills

The project has many moving parts so there is a certain level of flexibility in terms of skills needed.





Slam is an open source python package dedicated to the representation of neuroanatomical surfaces stemming from MRI data in the form of triangular meshes and to their processing and analysis. Main features include read/write gifti (and nifti) file format, geodesic distance computation, several implementations of graph Laplacian and Gradient, mesh surgery (boundary identification, large hole closing), several types of mapping between the mesh and a sphere, a disc...

Have a look at the examples on the documentation [website](#).

During this brainhack, our objectives are:

- to add as a new feature the algorithms for computing surface profiling as described in Li, K., Guo, L., Li, G., Nie, J., Faraco, C., Cui, G., Zhao, Q., Miller, L.S. and Liu, T., 2010. Gyrus folding pattern analysis via surface profiling. *NeuroImage*, 52(4), pp.1202-1214. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2010.04.263>
- to improve the documentation with new examples to enrich the [gallery](#), which helps a lot potential new users
- to switch the example codes from python script to Jupiter notebooks
- to further improve code quality with new unittest and potential speed-up of specific pieces of code such as for instance the computation of the curvature
- to help potential users to get familiar with this python package

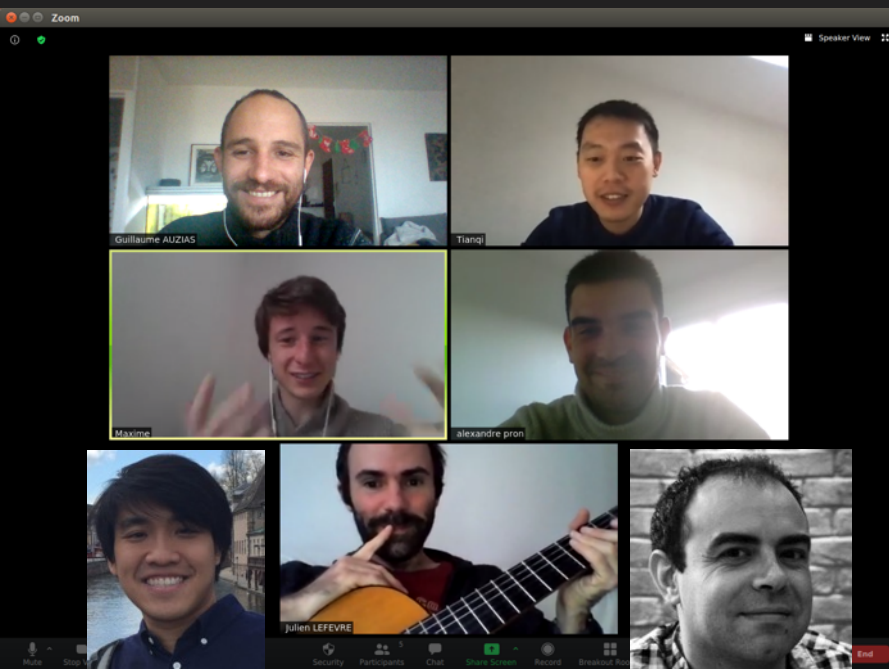
We are of course also open if new features are proposed from the contributors.

Required skills

Minimal skills in python coding and github are required, but various levels of expertise are welcome since some of our objectives can be addressed with limited coding effort such as augmenting the documentation.



Example : slam



GitHub interface for the repository **gauzias**.

Navigation: Search or jump to... Pull requests Issues Marketplace Explore

Repository: **bhg20-marseille-slam** (Updated yesterday)

Repositories: 28 Projects: 1

To Do (6 items)

- tutorial for beginners and potential users
Added by gauzias
- RF: update toward nibabel 2.1 syntax for io operations**
slam#31 opened by alexpron
enhancement good first issue
brainhack-marseille-2020
- check install works for everyone
Added by gauzias
- Use turbostat to measure the energy taken by each code
Added by JulienLefevreMars
- conda packaging
Added by gauzias
- CI for windows (azure)
Added by gauzias

In Progress (2 items)

- Example for surface profiling
I will merge the PR and refactor a bit so that @tianqi can update his PR and benefit from the hinge surface generation
Added by JulienLefevreMars
- New Feature: surface profiling**
slam#22 opened by alexpron
enhancement
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Done (6 items)

- tuto on pull request and issues
Added by gauzias
- modify the readme so that contributors appear as in the repos from Remi Gau (eCOBIDAS)
Added by gauzias
- add contributors to the readme section**
slam#29 opened by gauzias
- reduce computing time of unittests**
slam#30 opened by alexpron
tests
brainhack-marseille-2020
- Examples have additional dependencies required**
slam#21 opened by alexpron
bug
brainhack-marseille-2020
- 1 linked pull request
- surface_profiling**
slam#24 opened by tianqisong0117

Summary

- Number and the diversity of the projects, progress made by each one of them. It seems to be quite unique across overall brainhack events
- Diversity of people as it covered all scientific profiles (master students, doc, post-doc, engineers, researcher)
- All of the projects made some great improvements in various fields :
 - Software management, documentation and organization of future developments : like slam and macapype
 - Feedback from the users and community : eCOBIDAS and DIGlab
 - Coding and implementation improvements : FRITES, DASK and SNNs

Conclusions / perspectives

This event was composed of researchers and students coming from a diverse community focused on neuroscience. All of them were able to share solutions and knowledges about existing softwares (e.g data formats, pipelines, visualization tools) and thus avoid duplicated work.

Attendees were also able to take advantage of this event to learn the basics of programming. At the end, future collaborations are emerging from this cross-labs growing community.

-Long-term benefits are also expected (collaboration development, important positive communication for the lab)

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WHO WANTS TO BE INVOLVED NEXT YEAR???