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Abstract

Population imaging markedly increased the size of functional-imaging datasets, shedding new light on the neural basis of inter-individual differences. Analyzing these large data entails new scalability challenges, computational and statistical. For this reason, brain images are typically summarized in a few signals, for instance reducing voxel-level measures with brain atlases or functional modes. A good choice of the corresponding brain networks is important, as most data analyses start from these reduced signals. We contribute finely-resolved atlases of functional modes, comprising from 64 to 1024 networks. These dictionaries of functional modes (DiFuMo) are trained on millions of fMRI functional brain volumes of total size 2.4TB, spanned over 27 studies and many research groups. We demonstrate the benefits of extracting reduced signals on our fine-grain atlases for many classic functional data analysis pipelines: stimuli decoding from 12,334 brain responses, standard GLM analysis of fMRI across sessions and individuals, extraction of resting-state functional-connectomes biomarkers for 2,500 individuals, data compression and meta-analysis over more than 15,000 statistical maps. In each of these analysis scenarios, we compare the performance of our functional atlases with that of other popular references, and to a simple voxel-level analysis. Results highlight the importance of using high-dimensional “soft” functional atlases, to represent and analyze brain activity while capturing its functional gradients. Analyses on high-dimensional modes achieve similar statistical performance as at the voxel level, but with much reduced computational cost and higher interpretability. In addition to making them available, we provide meaningful names for these modes, based on their anatomical location. It will facilitate reporting of results.

Keywords: Brain imaging atlases; Functional networks; Functional parcellations; Multi-resolution;

1. Introduction

Population imaging has been bringing in terabytes of high-resolution functional brain images, uncovering the neural basis of individual differences (Elliott et al., 2008). While these great volumes of data enable fitting richer statistical models, they also entail massive data storage (Poldrack et al., 2013; Gorgolewski et al., 2017) and challenging high-dimensional data analysis. A popular approach to facilitate data handling is to work with image-derived phenotypes (IDPs), i.e. low-dimensional signals that summarize the information in the images while keeping meaningful representations of the brain (Miller et al., 2016).

While brain atlases originated in characterizing the brain’s microstructure (Brodmann, 1909), today they are widely used to study functional connectomes (Sporns et al., 2005; Varoquaux and Craddock, 2013) and for data reduction in functional imaging (Thirion et al., 2006; Craddock et al., 2012). For these applications, the choice of brain regions conditions the signal captured in the data analysis. To define regions well suited to brain-imaging endeavors, there is great progress in building atlases from the neuroimaging data itself (Eickhoff et al., 2018). Yet, most functional atlases describe the brain as parcellations, locally-uniform functional units, and thus do not represent well functional gradients (Huntenburg et al., 2018).

For functional imaging, brain structures delineated by an atlas should capture the main features of the functional signal, e.g. the functional networks (Smith et al., 2011). In a nutshell, there are two approaches to define well-suited structures. These can strive to select homogenous neural populations, typically via clustering approaches (Goutte et al., 1999; Bellec et al., 2010; Craddock et al., 2012; Thirion et al., 2014; Schaefer et al., 2017). They can also be defined via continuous modes that map intrinsic brain functional networks (Damoiseaux et al., 2006; Varoquaux et al., 2011; Harrison et al., 2015). These functional modes have been shown to capture well functional connectivity, with techniques such as Independent Component Analysis (Kiviniemi et al., 2009; Pervaiz et al., 2019) or sparse dictionary learning (Mensch et al., 2016b; Dadi et al., 2019).

High-resolution atlases can give a fine-grained division of the brain and capture more functionally-specific regions and rich descriptions of brain activity (Schaefer et al., 2017). Yet, there is to date no highly-resolved set of “soft” functional modes available, presumably because increasing the dimensionality raises significant computa-
tional and statistical challenges (Mensch et al., 2016a; Pervaiz et al., 2019). In this paper, we address this need with high-order dictionaries of functional modes (DiFuMo) extracted at a large scale both in terms of data size (3 million volumes of total data size 2.4TB) and resolution (up to 1024 modes). For this, we leverage the wealth of openly-available functional images (Poldrack et al., 2013) and efficient dictionary-learning algorithms to fit on large data. This is unlike ICA which is hard to use for a high number of modes (Pervaiz et al., 2019).

**Contributions.** We provide Dictionaries of Functional Modes¹ “DiFuMo” that can serve as atlases to extract functional signals, e.g. provide IDPs, with different dimensionalities (64, 128, 256, 512, and 1024). These modes are optimized to represent BOLD data well, over a wide range of experimental conditions. They are more finely-resolved than existing brain decompositions with continuous networks. By providing validated fine functional atlases, our goal is to streamline fMRI analysis with reduced representations, to facilitate large-cohort and inter-studies work. Through thorough benchmarking over classic data analysis tasks, we show that these modes gives IDPs that ground better analysis of functional images. Finally, we provide a meaningful label to each mode, summarizing its anatomical location, to facilitate reporting of results.

## 2. Methods: data-driven fine-grain functional modes

We describe in this section the models and methods underlying our definition of brain structures to extract IDPs.

### 2.1. Context: Image Derived Phenotypes

While analysis of brain images has been pioneered at the voxel level (Friston et al., 1995), image-derived phenotypes (IDP) are increasingly used in the context of population imaging. Trading voxel-level signals for IDPs has several motivations. First and foremost, it greatly facilitates the analysis on large cohorts: the data are smaller, easier to share, requiring less disk storage, computer memory, and computing power to analyze. It can also come with statistical benefits. For instance, in standard analysis of task responses, e.g. in mass-univariate brain mapping, the statistical power of hypothesis test at the voxel level is limited by multiple comparisons (Friston et al., 1995), while working at the level of IDPs mitigates this problem (Thirion et al., 2006). For predictive modeling, e.g. in multi-variate decoding (Mourão-Miranda et al., 2005), the high-dimensionality of the signals is a challenge to learning models that generalize well—a phenomenon known as the curse of dimensionality in machine learning (Hastie et al., 2009). Finally, for functional connectomes, working at voxel-level is computationally and statistically intractable as it entails modeling billions of connections. The standard approach is therefore to average signals on regions or networks (Varoquaux and Craddock, 2013).

Functional neuroimaging is currently largely dependent on neuroanatomy for mapping function to structure (Destrieux et al., 2010; Devlin and Poldrack, 2007). Some anatomical structures support well a direct mapping to specific functions (Brett et al., 2002; Rademacher et al., 1993), e.g. the primary visual areas. Yet other functional units are not simply defined from anatomical features, for instance in high-level regions such as the default mode, which is defined from functional data (Leech et al., 2011; Greicius et al., 2003).

### 2.2. Methods for data-driven functional atlases

Compared to anatomical atlases, defining regions from the functional signal can lead to a better explanation of behavioral outcomes (Dadi et al., 2019), as they capture the functional structure of the brain. Clustering of fMRI timeseries has been heavily used to define brain parcellations (Goutte et al., 1999), or for data reduction in predictive models (Michel et al., 2012). Reference functional brain parcellations have been defined with various clustering algorithms on resting-state fMRI (Bellec et al., 2010; Yeo et al., 2011; Craddock et al., 2012). Another class of approaches seeks modes of brain activity, decomposing the signal as a product of spatial maps and corresponding time-series (Figure 1). The most popular model in neuroimaging is independent component analysis (ICA, Hyvärinen and Oja, 2000), which optimizes spatial independence between extracted maps. It has been extensively used to define resting-state networks (Kiviniemi et al., 2003; Beckmann et al., 2005; Calhoun et al., 2001) and implicitly outlines soft parcellations of the brain at high order (Kiviniemi et al., 2009; Varoquaux et al., 2010b). ICA-defined networks are used to extract the official IDPs of UK BioBank, the largest brain-imaging cohort to date; these have been shown to relate to behavior (Miller et al., 2016).

We rely on another decomposition model, dictionary learning (Olshausen and Field, 1997), that enforces sparsity and non-negativity instead of independence on the

![Figure 1: Linear decomposition model of fMRI time-series for estimating brain networks](https://parietal-inria.github.io/DiFuMo)

The fMRI time series $X$ is factorized into a product of two matrices, $D$ which contain spatial modes and $A$ temporal loadings of each mode. $p \cdot n$ - number of features, $n \cdot k$ - number of volumes in fMRI image, $k$ - number of dictionaries.
spatial maps. While less popular than ICA in neuroimaging, sparsity brings the benefit of segmenting well functional regions on a zeroed-out background (Lee et al., 2010; Varoquaux et al., 2011). For our purposes, an important aspect of sparse models is that they have computationally-scalable formulations even with high model order and on large datasets (Mensch et al., 2016a, 2018). Functional modes defined from sparse dictionary learning have been used to predict Autism Spectrum Disorder (Abraham et al., 2017), or mental processes (Mensch et al., 2017).

Rest and task fMRI. Most functional brain atlases have been extracted from rest fMRI (Belloc et al., 2010; Power et al., 2011; Craddock et al., 2012; Ye et al., 2011; Miller et al., 2016; Schaefer et al., 2017). Brain networks can also be extracted from task fMRI data (Calhoun et al., 2008; Lee et al., 2010), and segment a similar intrinsic large-scale structure (Smith et al., 2009). In our work, we build functional modes from datasets with different experimental conditions, including task and rest. Our goal is to be as general as possible and capture information from different protocols. Indeed, defining networks on task fMRI can help representing these brain images and predicting the corresponding psychological conditions (Duff et al., 2012).

2.3. DiFuMo extraction: model and data

We consider BOLD time-series from fMRI volumes, resampled and registered to the MNI template. After temporal concatenation, those form a large matrix \( \mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n} \), where \( p \) is the number of voxels of the images (around \( 2 \cdot 10^5 \)), and \( n \) is the number of brain images, of the order of \( 10^6 \) in the following. To extract DiFusMos, each brain volume is modeled as the linear combination of \( k \) spatial functional networks, assembled in a dictionary matrix \( \mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times k} \). We thus assume that \( \mathbf{X} \) approximately factorizes as \( \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A} \), where the matrix \( \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n} \) holds in every column the loadings \( \mathbf{a} \) necessary to reconstruct the brain image \( \mathbf{x} \) from the networks \( \mathbf{D} \). The dictionary \( \mathbf{D} \) is to be learned from data. For this, we rely on Stochastic Online Matrix Factorization\(^2\) (Mensch et al., 2018, SOMF), that is computationally tractable for matrices large in both directions, as with high-resolution large-scale fMRI data. SOMF solves the constrained \( \ell_2 \) reconstruction problem

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\min_{\mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times k}, \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}} \| \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{D} \mathbf{A} \|_F^2 + \lambda \| \mathbf{A} \|_F^2,
\]

where \( \lambda \) is a regularization parameter that controls the sparsity of the dictionary \( \mathbf{D} \), via the \( \ell_1 \) and positivity constraints. Encouraging sparsity in spatial maps is key to obtaining well-localized maps that outline few brain regions. The parameter \( \lambda \) is chosen so that the union of all maps approximately covers the whole brain.

\(^2\)Available at: https://arthurmensch.github.io/modl/

Input fMRI data. We build the input data matrix \( \mathbf{X} \) with BOLD time-series from 25 different task-based fMRI studies and 2 resting state studies, adding up to 2 192 functional MRI recording sessions. We gather data from OpenNeuro (Gorgolewski et al., 2017) —Table A4 lists the corresponding studies while Table A5 gives their data-acquisition parameters.

We use fMRIprep (Esteban et al., 2019) for minimal preprocessing: brain extraction giving as a reference to correct for head-motion (Jenkinson et al., 2002), and co-registration to anatomy (Greve and Fischl, 2009). All the fMRI images are transformed to MNI template space. We then use MRIQC (Esteban et al., 2017) for quality control.

Multi-dimensional DiFuMo atlases. We estimate dictionaries of dimensionality \( k \in \{64, 128, 256, 512, 1024\} \). This is useful as the optimal dimensionality for extracting IDPs often depends on the downstream data analysis task. The obtained functional modes segment well-localized regions, as illustrated in Figure 2.

2.4. Extracting signal on functional modes

The functional modes take continuous values (we refer to them as soft) and can have some overlap —though in practice this overlap is small. As a consequence, signal extraction calls for more than averaging on regions. The natural formulation is that the extracted signals (the IDPs) should best approximate the brain image \( \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p \) as a linear combination \( \mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^k \) of the set of modes in the dictionary \( \mathbf{D} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times k} \). This is solved by linear regression:

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\mathbf{a} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^k} \| \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{D} \mathbf{a} \|_2^2, \quad \text{i.e. } \alpha = \mathbf{D}^\dagger \mathbf{x},
\]

where \( \mathbf{D}^\dagger = (\mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{D})^{-1} \mathbf{D}^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times p} \) is the pseudo-inverse of \( \mathbf{D} \). For atlases composed of non-overlapping regions, such as classic brain parcellations—e.g. BASC (Belloc et al., 2010) or normalized cuts (Craddock et al., 2012)—linear regression simply amounts to averaging the images values in every cluster of \( \mathbf{D} \). For overlapping modes as the ones of DiFuMo or the ICA maps used in UKBB (Miller et al., 2016), the linear regression formulation caters for the overlap and softness of the regions.

2.5. Region names: relation to anatomical structures

Relating IDPs to known brain structures facilitates interpretation and discussion of results. Though the DiFuMo atlases are defined from functional signal, we choose to reference their regions by their anatomical location, as it is a common and well-accepted terminology in neuroscience. For each resolution, we match the modes with regions in references of brain structure: the Harvard-Oxford atlas (Desikan et al., 2006), Destrieux atlas (Destrieux et al., 2010), the MIST atlas (Urchs et al., 2019), Johns Hopkins University (JHU) atlas (Hua et al., 2008), and the Dierdrichsen cerebellum atlas (Dierdrichsen et al., 2009). We name each mode from the anatomical structure that

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it most overlaps with. When the overlap was weak, a trained neuroanatomist (AMS) looked up the structure in standard classic anatomy references (Henri, 1999; Schmahmann et al., 1999; Rademacher et al., 1992; Ono et al., 1990; Catani and de Schotten, 2012). AppendixF gives more details on the naming of the brain areas.

3. Brain-image analysis on functional modes

We use the reduced representations (IDPs) introduced above for various functional-imaging analytic tasks: standard mass-univariate analysis of brain responses (§3.2); decoding of mental processes from brain activity (§3.3); prediction of phenotypes from functional connectomes (§3.4); finally, we measure the quality of signal reconstruction after the dimension reduction, with an illustration on meta-analyses (§3.5).

3.1. Benchmarking several functional atlases

To gauge the usefulness of the extracted IDPs, we compare each analysis pipeline across several functional atlases: DiFuMo and reference atlases are used to compute functional IDPs. We use the same signal-extraction function (1), but vary the spatial components $D$. As a baseline, we also perform the voxel-level analyses, though it entail significantly larger computational costs.

We consider other functional atlases that are multi-resolutions, accessible to download, and volumetric (Table 1): ICA maps with $k \in \{21, 55\}$ components, extracted on large-scale rs-fMRI from UKBB (Miller et al., 2016); bootstrap analysis of stable clusters (BASC) built with hierarchical clustering on rs-fMRI, with various number of clusters (Bellec et al., 2010); spatially-constrained clustering on rs-fMRI, with $k \in \{200, 400\}$ clusters (Craddock et al., 2012); $k = 333$ cortical areas derived from rs-fMRI using a local gradient approach (Gordon et al., 2014); $k \in \{90, 499\}$ functional regions covering cortical and subcortical gray matter with ICA and Ward clustering (Shirer et al. (2012), Altmann et al. (2015)); and brain parcellations derived with gradient-weighted Markov Random Field, with resolutions similar to ours (Schaefer et al., 2017, $k$ up to 1000).
3.2. Mapping brain response: standard task-fMRI analysis

Standard analysis in task fMRI relates psychological manipulations to brain activity separately for each voxel or region. It models the BOLD signal as a linear combination of experimental conditions—the General Linear Model (GLM, Friston et al., 1995). The BOLD signal forms a matrix \( Y \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n} \), where \( p \) is the number of voxels. With data reduction, we use as input the reduced signal \( Y_{\text{red}} = Y_{\text{voxel}}(D)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times k} \) (Equation 1). The GLM models \( Y \) or \( Y_{\text{red}} \) as \( Y = X\beta + \varepsilon \) where \( X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q} \) is the design matrix formed by \( q \) temporal regressors of interest or nuisance and \( \varepsilon \) is noise (Friston et al., 1998). In our experiments, we use the Nistats library\(^b\).

With reduced input \( Y_{\text{red}} \), we obtain one signal per region, as \( \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times k} \). The full \( \beta \)-maps can then be reconstructed by setting \( \beta_{\text{rec}} = \beta D^\top \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q} \). We transform the reconstructed \( \beta \)-maps into \( z \)-maps \( z \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q} \) using base contrasts, before thresholding them with Benjamini and Hochberg (1995) FDR correction for multiple comparisons. We then compare the \( z \)-maps obtained using voxels as input, and \( z \)-maps using reduced input and reconstructed \( \beta \)-maps, using the Dice (1945) similarity coefficient. We also perform an intra-subject analysis detailed in AppendixD.

Data. We consider the Rapid-Serial-Visual-Presentation (RSVP) language task of Individual Brain Charting (IBC) (see Pinho et al., 2018, for experimental protocol and preprocessing). We model six experimental conditions: complex meaningful sentences, simple meaningful sentences, jabberwocky, list of words, lists of pseudowords, consonant strings. \( \beta \)-maps are estimated for each subject using a fixed-effect model over 3 out of the 6 subject’s sessions. We randomly select 3 sessions 10 times to estimate the variance of the Dice index across sessions. As a baseline, we evaluate the mean and variance of the Dice index across \( z \)-maps when varying the sessions used in voxel-level GLM.

3.3. Decoding experimental stimuli from brain responses

Decoding predicts psychological conditions from task-related \( z \)-maps (Haynes and Rees, 2006). The validity of a decoding model is evaluated on left-out data (following Varioquaux et al., 2017), e.g. left-out subjects for inter-subject decoding (Poldrack et al., 2009). We use linear decoding models: ridge regression for continuous target and Support Vector Machine (SVC, Hastie et al., 2009) for classification. For each study, we separate sessions (for intra-subject decoding) or subjects (for inter-subject decoding) into randomly-chosen train and test folds (20 folds with 30% test size), and measure the test accuracy. We compare the performance of predictive models using the voxel-level \( z \)-maps or using the data reduced with functional atlases.

Data. We use 6 open-access task fMRI studies. We perform inter-subject decoding in the emotional and sensitivity to pain experiences from Chang et al. (2015), and in three studies from HCP900 (Van Essen et al., 2012): working memory, gambling (Delgado et al., 2000), and relational processing (Smith et al., 2007). We perform intra-subject decoding using the several sessions of left and right button press responses in IBC (ARCHI protocol, Pined et al., 2007). The unthresholded \( z \)-maps used in the decoding pipeline are either obtained from Neurovault (Gorgolewski et al., 2015), or computed with the GLM following §3.2; Details are reported in AppendixB.1.

### Table 1: Functional atlases that we benchmark; they define IDPs for brain-images. analysis

| Name     | Dimensionality | # subj. | Soft | Extraction method               | Reference                        |
|----------|----------------|---------|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| BASC     | 64, 122, 197, 325, 444 | 43      | No   | Hierarchical clustering         | Bellec et al. (2010)             |
| Craddock | 200, 400       | 41      | No   | Spectral clustering             | Craddock et al. (2012)           |
| FIND*    | 90, 499        | 15      | Yes  | ICA; Ward clustering            | Shirer et al. (2012); Altmann et al. (2015) |
| Gordon   | 333            | 120     | No   | Local-gradient approach         | Gordon et al. (2014)             |
| UKBB ICA | 21, 55         | 4100    | Yes  | Selected ICA components\(^b\)  | Miller et al. (2016)             |
| Schaefer | 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 800, 1000 | 1489    | No   | Gradient-weighted Markov        | Schaefer et al. (2017)           |
| DiFuMo\(^c\) | 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024 | 2192    | Yes  | Sparse dictionary learning      | This paper                       |

\(^a\)https://findlab.stanford.edu/functional_ROIs.html  \(^b\)https://www.fmrib.ox.ac.uk/ukbiobank/  \(^c\)https://parietal-inria.github.io/DiFuMo

3.4. Predicting phenotype from functional connectomes

Resting-state fMRI can be used to predict phenotypic traits (Richiardi et al., 2010). For this, each subject is represented by a functional connectivity matrix that captures the correlation between brain signals at various locations. Our functional-connectome prediction pipeline comprises three steps: 1) we extract a reduced representation of the BOLD signal, projecting voxel-level data onto a functional atlas as in §3.2; 2) we compute a functional connectome from the reduced BOLD signals; 3) we use it as input to a linear model. We compute a connectome from activations with the Ledoit and Wolf (2004) covariance estimator as Varioquaux and Craddock (2013); Brier et al. (2015). We then derive single-subject features from covariance matrices using their tangent space parametrization (Varioquaux et al., 2010a; Barachant et al., 2013; Pervaiz et al., 2019). Those are used to fit an \( \ell_2 \)-penalized logistic regression for classification and a ridge regression for continuous targets.
We assess predictive performance with 20 folds, random splits of subjects in train and test sets, with 25% test size.

Data. We use 7 openly-accessible datasets with diverse phenotypic targets, as summarized in Table A3. We predict diagnostic status for Alzheimer’s disease on ADNI (Mueller et al., 2005), PTSD on ADNIDOD; Autism Spetrum Disorder on ABIDE (Di Martino et al., 2014) and schizophrenia on COBRE (Calhoun et al., 2012); drug consumption on ACPI; IQ measures on HCP (Van Essen et al., 2013); and age (with a regression model) in normal aging with CamCan (Taylor et al., 2017).

3.5. Quality of image reconstruction

The signals extracted on a brain atlas can be seen as a compression, or simplification, of the original signal. Indeed, a full image can be reconstructed from these signals. We quantify the signal loss incurred by this reduction. For this, we project a brain map $x$ onto an atlas (solving Eq. (1)), and compute the best reconstruction of $x$ from the loadings $\alpha$, namely $\hat{x} = D\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^p$. We compare original and reconstructed images through the $R^2$ coefficient,

$$R^2(x, \hat{x}) = 1 - \frac{\|x - \hat{x}\|^2_2}{\|x - \bar{x}\|^2_2}, \tag{2}$$

where $\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}$ is the spatial mean of map $x$. The $R^2$ coefficient is averaged across all images. Higher $R^2$ coefficients means that the reduced signals (IDPs) explain more variance of the original images, where $R^2 = 1$ corresponds to no signal loss. The larger the number of signals used, the easier it is to explain variance; it is therefore interesting to compare this measure across atlases with similar number of components.

Data. We use NeuroVault (Gorgolewski et al., 2015), the largest public database of statistical maps. To avoid circularity, we exclude maps derived from the studies used to extract the DiFuMo atlases, along with maps that fail semi-automated quality inspection (filtering out thresholded or non-statistical maps), resulting in 15,542 maps.

Meta-analysis of contrasts maps. Ideally, the extracted IDPs should allow to compute meta-analytical summaries of brain activity maps. In this setting, a single map, corresponding to a certain cognitive concept, is computed from many $z$-maps across different studies, associated to conditions that involve this cognitive concept. We compare the summaries obtained at voxel-level, i.e. averaging the maps $\{x\}$, with the ones obtained using reconstructed images, i.e. averaging the maps $\{\hat{x}\}$ used in Eq. (2). We use maps from our curated subset of NeuroVault annotated with terms motor, language and face recognition.

4. Results: comparing atlases for analyses

We report benchmarking results on the analytic tasks listed in the previous section.
4.2 Decoding mental state from brain responses

Figure 4 shows the impact on decoding performance of reducing signals with various functional atlases. It reports the performance relative to the median across methods for each of the 6 tasks. These results clearly show the importance of high-dimensional functional modes for decoding. Indeed, the higher the atlas resolution, the better the predictions. Using DiFuMo $k = 1024$ or Schaefer $k = 1000$ gives the best performance. In addition, as these functional atlases segment sufficiently-fine regions, prediction from the corresponding signals tends to outperform voxel-level prediction. Indeed, applying multivariate models to a larger number of signals with a limited amount of data is more prone to overfitting—data reduction acts here as a welcome regularization. Qualitatively, brain maps containing decoding weights can be reconstructed. With high-dimensional atlases, they are interpretable and capture information similar to voxel-level analysis (Figure 5).

4.3 Predicting traits from functional connectomes

Figure 6 shows the impact of the choice of functional atlas when predicting phenotypes from functional connectomes. It reports the relative prediction accuracy for 7 different prediction problems (each composed of a dataset and a target phenotype); the lines give the median across the prediction problems. Here, we do not report a voxel-level baseline, as it requires to compute covariance matrices of dimensions around $100,000 \times 100,000$ and is therefore computationally and statistically intractable. Unlike with the previous results, high-resolution atlases do not provide the best performance, likely because the complexity of the statistical models increases with the square of the number of nodes. The best prediction overall is achieved using DiFuMo $k = 256$, followed by Craddock $k = 400$ and BASC $k = 444$. Figure A5 report absolute results for each prediction problem.
4.4 Fraction of the original signal captured

Figure 7 (left) displays the $R^2$ scores summarizing the loss of information when data are reduced on an atlas and reconstructed back to full images. Unsurprising, reducing the images with lower-order dimensions (atlases with fewer regions) yields a high loss of information across all methods. DiFuMo $k = 1024$ captures 70% of the original voxel-level signal. Qualitatively, the benefits of functional modes can be seen by comparing the meta-analytic maps related to motor tasks (Figure 7 right)—Figure A7 shows additional meta-analysis on other topics. The DiFuMo have clear visual benefits over brain discrete parcellations, such as BASC, as they better capture gradients.

5. Discussion

This paper introduces brain-wide soft functional modes, named DiFuMos and made of a few hundreds to a thousand of brain sub-divisions. They are derived from BOLD time-series across many studies to capture well functional images with a small number of signals. In the context of population imaging, these signals are known as image-derived phenotypes (IDP, Miller et al., 2016) and are crucial to easily scale statistical analysis, building a science of inter-individual differences by relating brain signals to behavioral traits (Dubois and Adolphs, 2016). Reducing the dimensionality of the signals not only come with a 1000× gain in storage, but also with 100× computational speed-up for the analysis (Table A1). Even small-scale studies may need functional nodes, e.g. for computing functional connectomes (Zalesky et al., 2010; Varoquaux and Craddock, 2013). There already exist many functional brain atlases; yet DiFuMos have the unique advantage of being both soft and highly resolved. These features are important to capture gradients of functional information.

Grounding better image-derived phenotypes. Signals extracted from a functional atlas should enable good statistical analysis of brain function. We considered quantitative measures for typical neuroimaging analytic scenarios and compared the fitness of extracting signal on DiFuMo with using existing functional brain atlases. The biggest gains in analysis come from increasing the dimensionality of brain sub-divisions, aside for functional connectome studies where an optimal is found around 200 nodes. Choosing the number of nodes then becomes a tradeoff between complexity of the representation and analytic performance. Importantly, the gains in analytic performance continue way beyond the dimensionality typically used for IDPs (e.g. 55 components from Miller et al., 2016). These results extend prior literature emphasizing the importance of high-dimensional parcellations for fMRI (Abou Elsoud et al., 2011; Thirion et al., 2014; Arslan et al., 2017; Sala-Llonch et al., 2019). To foster good analysis, the second most important aspect of a parcellation appears that it be soft, i.e. continuously-valued. For a given dimensionality, soft modes tend to outperform hard parcellations, whether they are derived with ICA or dictionary learning.

Modes well-adapted to the EPI signal. The functional modes are optimized to fit well a large number of EPI images: 2,192 sessions across 27 studies. As a result, they form a division of the brain well adapted to the signal. For instance, they define regions larger in the white matter and in the CSF than in the grey matter (Figure A1). A large dataset is needed to capture such implicit regularities of the signal with high-dimensional spatial decompositions. Indeed, running the same model on less data extracts modes with less spatial regularity (Figure A2). The combination of high dimensionality and large dataset leads to significant computational demands. The extraction of DiFuMos was possible thanks to fast algorithms for huge matrix factorization (Mensch et al., 2018), and gathering data representative of a wide variety of scanning protocols via openfMRI (Poldrack et al., 2013).

We did not limit the DiFuMo modes to gray matter, as measures outside gray matter can be useful in subsequent analysis, for instance to remove the global signal (Murphy and Fox, 2017). In addition, distributed modes extracted from full-brain EPI can separate out noise—such as movement artifacts— and help rejecting it in a later analysis (Perlbarg et al., 2007; Griffanti et al., 2014; Pruim et al., 2015). Some DiFuMo modes indeed segment ventricles or
6. Conclusion

We provide multidimensional atlases of functional modes that can be used to extract functional signals: parietal-inria.github.io/DiFuMo. They give excellent performance for a wide variety of analytic tasks: GLM-based analysis, mental-process decoding or functional-connectivity analysis. Their availability reduces computational burdens: practitioners can readily perform analyses on a reduced signal, without a costly ROI-definition step. In addition, working on common functional modes across studies facilitates comparison and interpretations of results. To help communication, we have labeled every functional mode to reflect the neuroanatomical structures that it contains. To date, these are the only high-dimensional soft functional modes available. As they have been extracted from a variety of data (more than 2,000 sessions across 27 studies, 2.4TB in size) and improve many analytic tasks, the rich descriptions of neural activity that they capture is well suited for a broad set of fMRI studies.

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Table A1: The comparison in computational times while predicting mental state on two set of brain features space: voxel-level ≈ 200,000 and reduced voxels to DiFuMo 1024. We report the averaged time over 20 cross-validation folds for several task-fMRI conditions. Clearly, there are benefits trading for reduced representations in terms of computation time. On high-resolution brain images like HCP, these are decreased by a factor 200.

Table A2: Dataset, prediction tasks and dataset size for each of the 6 decoding tasks we consider in §3.3. z-maps from HCP900 (Van Essen et al., 2012) and IBC (Pinho et al., 2018) studies, that comprise high-quality task-fMRI experiments.

Appendix B.1. Input data and pre-processing pipelines

The decoding pipeline classifies input unthresholded statistical maps. Table A2 summarizes the task-based studies used to obtain these statistical maps.

Pre-encoded maps downloaded from Neurovault.org. We download maps related to emotion and pain (Chang et al., 2015) using Neurovault, querying the collections 503 and 504. We use the “Rating” & “PainLevel” labels as predictive targets. We predict emotion using ridge regression, and pain-level over 3 classes using Linear SVC. The supervised learning pipeline, that includes cross-validation and linear models is implemented with Python based scikit-learn (Pedregosa et al., 2011). We use nilearn (Abraham et al., 2014) to download maps from Neurovault.org interface (Gorgolewski et al., 2015). The data acquisition parameters, preprocessing details and estimation of statistical maps are described in Chang et al. (2015).

Statistical maps encoded using the GLM. We compute z-maps from HCP900 (Van Essen et al., 2012) and IBC (Pinho et al., 2018) studies, that comprise high-quality task-fMRI experiments.

HCP. We download fMRI data from the HCP900 release; those are already preprocessed using HCP pipelines (Glasser et al., 2013). We use MNINonLinear-based registered data as input for the GLM, that outputs one z-map per condition per subject. We consider three task-based studies, namely: for Working Memory, we con-
sider z-maps based on condition: “0-back faces”, “2-back faces”, “0-back places”, “2-back places”. Similarly, for Gambling (Delgado et al., 2000), we consider z-maps for the conditions “loss” and “reward”; finally, on Relational processing, we consider z-maps for the conditions “relational processing” and “matching”. For each study, we use Linear SVC on encoded z-maps to predict psychological conditions. The predictive model therefore perform a 2-class or 4-class classification. The experimental protocol and data acquisition parameters are detailed in Van Essen et al. (2012).

IBC. We consider the Archi Standard (Pinel et al., 2007) motor task, where subjects are asked to press “left” and “right” button press based on audio and visual instructions. We perform within-subject classification between left and right button press, using z-maps corresponding to each repetition of the instruction. For each of the 13 available subjects, a linear model is trained on the z-maps from all but one session and prediction is performed on the left-out session. Each subject provides 80 encoded z-maps across 4 sessions. We use data preprocessed following the pipelines of Pinho et al. (2018).

GLM specification. For both datasets, the input z-maps are estimated from the raw fMRI data by fitting a GLM. We use Nistats⁴, a Python package for the statistical analysis of fMRI data. The temporal regressors of the model are specified according to the timing of stimulus presentations convolved with hemodynamic models (spm + derivative). We use polynomial model to capture the low-frequency drifts in the data.

AppendixB.2. Detailed results

To complete the summarizing Figure 4, we report the raw prediction scores separately for each decoding tasks in Figure A3. Prediction accuracy increases with the size of functional atlases. Using 1024 atlases allows to match or pass the performance of voxel-based prediction. In terms of interpretation, the weights are much smoother and blobs are clearly visible in the weight classification maps obtained using DiFuMo. This is illustrated on Figure A4 for face-versus-place decoding in the working-memory HCP study.

AppendixC. Details on biomarker prediction

We consider multiple datasets to account for the diversity of prediction targets in biomarker prediction problem. We report datasets, prediction groups and prediction targets in Table A3.

AppendixC.1. Input data and prediction settings

The connectivity features built from functional atlases predict various clinical outcomes (neuro-degenerative and neuro-psychiatric disorders, drug abuse impact) and psychological traits.

⁴https://nistats.github.io/

Group classification. We use the Alzheimer’s Disease Neuroimaging Initiative⁵ (ADNI) and (ADNIDOD) (Mueller et al., 2005) to predict neuro-degenerative diseases. We discriminate between Alzheimer’s Disease (AD) from Mild

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Table A3: Resting-state fMRI datasets used in the pipeline described on §3.4 for predicting phenotypic labels from functional connectomes. In CamCAN, age is predicted using ridge regression. The groups from other datasets are predicted using logistic regression. IQ - Fluid intelligence, PTSD - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, MCI - Mild Cognitive Impairment.

Cognitive Impairment (MCI) group on ADNI. We discriminate between post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and healthy individuals on ADNIDOD. We use data from the Center for Biomedical Research Excellence⁶ (COBRE Calhoun et al. (2012) to predict schizophrenia diagnosis of individuals. We classify autism and healthy individuals on Autism Brain Imaging Data Exchange database (ABIDE, Di Martino et al. (2014), Finally, we consider data from Addiction Connectome Preprocessed Initiative⁷ (ACPI), where we discriminate Marijuana consumers versus control subjects.

Psychological traits. We first stratify individuals from HCP900 release (Van Essen et al., 2013) into groups of high and low IQ, and perform binary classification on these. The details about the stratification into these groups are described in Dadi et al. (2019).

Age regression. We use Cambridge Center for Ageing and Neuroscience (CamCAN) dataset (Taylor et al., 2017) to study brain ageing. This study comprises wide range of age groups spanning from 24 – 86. We use ridge regression to predict age on this dataset.

Appendix C.2. Data acquisition parameters and preprocessing pipelines

The data acquisition details for ADNI, ADNIDOD, COBRE, ABIDE, ACPI and HCP are described in Dadi et al. (2019); those for CamCAN in Taylor et al. (2017). We pre-process individuals from CamCAN, ADNI, ADNIDOD and COBRE. All rs-fMRI acquisitions are pre-processed with standard steps, described in Dadi et al.

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⁶https://www.mrn.org/research/details/cobre
⁷http://fcom_1000.projects.nitrc.org/indi/ACPI/html/
The other considered datasets provide preprocessed data. We report the total number of subjects included in the analysis in Table A3, after excluding for severe scanning artifacts, head movements with amplitude larger than 2 mm and individuals who have more than one clinical diagnosis.

Confound removal and temporal signal pre-processing. The strategy we use for cleaning temporal signals is the same as in Dadi et al. (2019). We briefly outline these steps here. We regress out 10 CompCor (Behzadi et al., 2007) components on the whole brain and six motion related signals which are provided in the ADNI, ADNIDOD, COBRE, CamCAN datasets. We do not perform any additional preprocessing steps on ABIDE, ACPI and HCP. For all datasets, the signal of each region is normalized, detrended and bandpass-filtered between 0.01 and 0.1Hz. All these steps are done with nilearn (Abraham et al., 2014).

Appendix C. Detailed results

Figure 6 summarizes the impact of the brain atlases and ROIs in predicting diverse targets on rs-fMRI images. Figure A5 shows the absolute prediction scores for each target separately. DiFuMo-based predictions are on par with those using UKBB ICA components, Craddock et al. (2012) and BASC atlases.

Appendix D. Intra-subject encoding

In §3.2, we compare group-level z-maps computed at the voxel-level and on reduced data using the DICE similarity coefficient. We also performed an intra-subject, across sessions, standard analysis. We consider the Rapid-Serial-Visual-Presentation (RSVP) language task of Individual Brain Charting (IBC) (see Pinho et al. (2018) for details on experimental protocol and data pre-processing).

Encoding model. In this setting, we fit a GLM on the several acquisition sessions of each subject considered separately. That is, we compute a single β-map per session and condition, forming a set of maps \( \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} \). \( \beta \) is either computed directly at the voxel-level or using functional atlases, in which case we set \( \beta = \beta_{\text{encoded}} D^T \), with \( \beta \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k} \).

We then use a leave-one-session-out cross-validation scheme to compare the observed, single-session, time series \( Y \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} \) to the reconstructed time-series \( \hat{Y} = X \beta \), where \( \beta \) are the average β-maps across the 5 training sessions. We obtain \( R^2 \)-maps, where each voxel holds the proportion of variance explained by the model

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 r_i = 1 - \frac{||y_i - \hat{y}_i||^2}{||y_i - \bar{y}_i||^2},
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where \( y_i \) is the univariate time-series in \( \mathbb{R}^n \) associated to voxel \( i \) and \( \bar{y}_i \) is its temporal mean. We finally average

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 R^2 \text{ scores from voxelwise}
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\[
 R^2 \text{ score from map Non-reduced}
\]
Validation. To measure the difference between $R^2$ maps $R$ computed from voxels and $R^2$ maps $\tilde{R}$ computed from DiFuMos, we report correlation coefficients $\rho$ between $R$ and $\tilde{R}$, and the slope $s$ predicting the activations $\tilde{R}$ from the activations $R$. This slope indicates a form of signal loss due to using functional atlases. We expect it to be smaller than 1, in part because projection on functional atlases have a noise reduction effect.

Results. Figure A6, using higher order Difumo atlases leads to a loss of explained variance $R^2$ of only 6% compared to working directly with voxels, which may imputed to a denoising effect. Qualitatively, the $R^2$ maps are much comparable. DiFuMo ($k = 1024$) is therefore suitable for intra-subject encoding tasks; they make these much less costly. Using lower-order atlases yield stronger signal loss.

AppendixE. Extra meta-analysis maps

Figure A7 shows the meta-analysis summary images for two additional cognitive topics: language and face. We compare non-reduced images with reduced images using DiFuMo ($k = 1024$) and BASC ($k = 444$). The images reduced with DiFuMos are easier to interpret than the ones reduced with BASC for both topics. Quantitatively, we recall that Figure 7 shows the better performance of DiFuMos for image compression.

AppendixF. DiFuMos naming details

A measure of overlap with a reference anatomical atlas allows to match each DiFuMo component with a specific anatomical region, e.g. “postcentral gyrus”. Where there are more than one component for each anatomical region, the functional atlas region are further characterized by an anatomical spatial descriptions, e.g. “postcentral gyrus inferior”. Finally, we append the localisation of the region in the left or right hemisphere, e.g. “postcentral gyrus inferior RH”. Some of the nodes from DiFuMo atlases overlaps a fraction of several regions in the anatomical atlas—those are named by a trained neuroanatomist.
Figure A7: **Meta-analysis on cognitive topics —language (a.) and face (b.) — from statistical images:** We compare images reconstructed with DiFuMo \((k = 1024)\) and BASC \((k = 444)\) with voxel-level averages \((\text{right})\). The topic-related activations are better visualized using DiFuMo \((\text{middle})\) than using BASC \((\text{left})\). DiFuMo results are closer to voxel-level averages, as the signal loss is minimal when projecting on this atlas.

Figure A8: **Interpretation of higher-dimensional modes of DiFuMo:** The putamen segmentation is refined as dimension of DiFuMos increases. A single mode contain the left and right putamen in lower dimension \((\text{a})\), when higher order atlases holds separate components for them. Larger atlases model the detailed organization within the sub-structures, which may be crucial in discriminative tasks.
| fMRI study                        | Version | Cognitive task                          | #Subjects | #Sessions | #Runs | Conditions                                                  |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| (Schonberg et al., 2012)          | ds000001_R2.0.4 | Balloon task                            | 16        | -         | 3     | balloon analog risk                                        |
| (Aron et al., 2006)               | ds000002_R2.0.5 | Classification task                     | 17        | -         | 2     | deterministic classification                               |
| (Xue and Poldrack, 2007)          | ds000003_R2.0.2 | Rhyme judgment                          | 13        | -         |       | rhyme judgment                                             |
| (Jimura et al., 2014)             | ds000006_R2.0.1 | Stop-signal task                         | 14        | 2         | 6     | living nonliving decision with plain or mirror reversed text |
| (Xue et al., 2008)                | ds000007_R2.0.1 | Stop-signal task                         | 20        | -         | 2     | stop manual, stop vocal, stop word                         |
| (Aron et al., 2007)               | ds000008_R2.0.0 | Stop-signal task                         | 14        | -         | 3     | conditional stop signal, stop signal                       |
| (Foerde et al., 2006)            | ds000011_R2.0.1 | Classification task                      | 14        | -         | 2     | Classification probe without feedback                       |
| (Rizk-Jackson et al., 2011)       | ds000017_R2.0.1 | Classification task and stop-signal      | 8         | 2         | 3     | probabilistic classification, selective stop signal task   |
| (Alvarez and Poldrack, 2011)      | ds000051_R2.0.2 | Cross-language reproduction              | 13        | -         | 8     | abstract concrete judgment                                 |
| (Poldrack et al., 2001)           | ds000052_R2.0.0 | Classification task and reversal         | 14        | -         | 2     | weather prediction, reversal weather prediction            |
| (Mennes et al., 2013)             | ds000101_R2.0.0 | Simon task                              | 21        | -         | 2     | simon                                                      |
| (Kelly et al., 2008)              | ds000102_R2.0.0 | Flanker task                            | 26        | -         | 2     | flanker                                                    |
| (Haxby et al., 2001)              | ds000105_R2.0.2 | Visual object recognition                | 6         | -         | 12    | object viewing                                             |
| (O’Toole et al., 2005)            | ds000107_R2.0.2 | Word and object processing               | 49        | -         | 2     | 1-back task                                                |
| (Hanson et al., 2004)             | ds000109_R2.0.2 | False belief task                       | 36        | -         | 2     | theory of mind                                             |
| (Uncapher et al., 2011)           | ds000110_R2.0.1 | Incidental encoding task                | 18        | -         | 10    | incidental encoding task                                   |
| (Gorgolewski et al., 2013)        | ds000114_R2.0.1 | A test-retest fMRI dataset              | 10        | 2         | -     | covert verb generation, finger footlips, line bisection, overt verb generation, overt word generation |
| (Repovs and Barch, 2012)          | ds000115_R2.0.0 | Working memory                          | 1         | -         | -     | letter 0-back task, letter 1-back task, letter 2-back task |
| (Cera et al., 2014)               | ds000133_R1.0.0 | Modafinil alters intrinsic functional connectivity of the right posterior insula: a pharmacological resting state fMRI study | 26        | 2         | 3     | rest                                                       |
| (Verstynen, 2014)                 | ds000164_R1.0.1 | Stroop task                             | 28        | -         | -     | stroop                                                     |
| (Gabitov et al., 2015)            | ds000170_R1.0.1 | Learning and memory: motor skill        | 15        | -         | 3     | Trained Hand Trained Sequence, Trained Hand Untrained Sequence, Untrained Hand Trained Sequence |
| (Lepping et al., 2016a)           | ds000171_R1.0.0 | Neural Processing of Emotional Musical and Nonmusical Stimuli in Depression | 39        | -         | 5     | music, non music                                           |
| (Lepping et al., 2016b)           | ds000200_R1.0.0 | Pre-adolescents Exposure to Manganese   | 1         | -         | -     | olfactory                                                  |
| (Iannili et al., 2016)            | ds000202_R1.0.0 | Visual imagery                          | 26        | -         | 2     | visual imagery, false memory                               |
| (Stephan-Otto et al., 2017)       | ds000205_R1.0.0 | Affective Videos                        | 11        | -         | 2     | functional localization                                    |
| (Kim et al., 2017)                | ds000208_R1.0.0 | EUPD Cyberball                          | 10        | -         | -     | Cyberball                                                  |
| (Roy et al., 2017)                | ds000210_R1.0.0 | Cost Analysis TBI                       | 26        | 2         | -     | rest                                                       |

Table A4: Large-scale fMRI datasets downloaded from OpenNeuro to build our multi-scale functional atlases. Data are pre-processed using fMRIPrep. The data acquisition parameters of each study are listed on Table A5. The corpus is 2.4TB in total.
| MRI study          | MR scanner | Slice orientation | FoV (mm) | Voxel size (mm) | Matrix size | TR (msec) | TE (msec) | Flip angle (°) | Number of volumes |
|--------------------|------------|-------------------|----------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|------------------|
| (Schonberg et al., 2012) | 3T Siemens AG Allegra (Erlangen, Germany) | axial | - | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 300 |
| (Aron et al., 2006) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | - | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 180 |
| (Xue and Poldrack, 2007) | 3T Siemens Allegra (Iselin, NJ) | - | 200 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 160 |
| (Jimura et al., 2014) | 3T Siemens Allegra (Erlangen, Germany) | - | 200 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 205 |
| (Xue et al., 2008) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | 200 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 182 |
| (Aron et al., 2007) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | 200 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 176 |
| (Foerde et al., 2006) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | 200 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | - | 208 |
| (Poldrack et al., 2001) | 3T Siemens Allegra | axial | 200 | 5 x 5 x 5 | 64 x 64 | 3000 | 30 | - | 225 |
| (Menkes et al., 2013) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | 192 | 3 x 3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 80 | 101 |
| (Kelly et al., 2008) | 3T Siemens Allegra | - | 192 | 3 x 3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 80 | 146 |
| (Haxby et al., 2001) | 3T GE sagittal | 240 | 3.5 x 3.5 x 3.5 | - | 2500 | 30 | 90 | 121 |
| (Duncan et al., 2009) | 1.5T Siemens Allegra | - | 192 | 3 x 3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 3000 | 50 | - | 165 |
| (Moran et al., 2012) | 3T Siemens Allegra | axial | - | 3 x 3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 35 | - | 179 |
| (Uncapher et al., 2011) | 3T GE Signa Tim Trio | axial | - | 3.4 x 3.4 x 3.4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 30 | 75 | 186 |
| (Gorgolewski et al., 2013) | 1.5T GE Signa | - | 256 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2500 | 50 | 90 | varied |
| (Repovs and Barch, 2012) | 3T Tim Trio | - | 256 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2500 | 27 | 90 | 137 |
| (Cera et al., 2014) | 3T Philips transaxial | 256 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 1671 | 35 | 75 | 145 |
| (Verstynen, 2014) | 3T Siemens | - | - | 3.2 x 3.2 x 4 | - | 1500 | 20 | 90 | 370 |
| (Gabitov et al., 2015) | 3T GE | axial | 220 | 3.4 x 3.4 x 3.4 | 64 x 64 | 3000 | 35 | 90 | 45 |
| (Lepping et al., 2016a) | 3T Siemens Allegra (Erlangen, Germany) | axial | 220 | 2.9 x 2.9 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 3000 | 25 | 90 | 105 |
| (Iannilli et al., 2016) | 1.5T Siemens Aera (Erlangen, Germany) | axial | - | 3.3 x 3.3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 2500 | 50 | - | 120 |
| (Stephan-Otto et al., 2017) | 1.5T GE Signa | axial | - | 4 x 4 x 4 | 64 x 64 | 2000 | 40 | 90 | 267 |
| (Kim et al., 2016) | 3T Siemens Trio (Erlangen) | axial | - | 3 x 3 x 3 | 64 x 64 | 2200 | 35 | 90 | 365 |
| (Romaniuk et al., 2016) | 3T Siemens Magnetom Verio | axial | 220 | 3.4 x 3.4 x 5 | 64 x 64 | 1560 | 26 | 66 | 341 |
| (Roy et al., 2017) | 3T Philips Achieva | axial | 240 | 4 x 4 x 4 | 80 x 80 | 2000 | 30 | 90 | 144 |

Table A5: Data acquisition parameters for each fMRI study that we use for training DiFuMo atlases. Data are downloaded from OpenNeuro.