
COSgen Documentation

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Overview

Contrast optimized stimulus generator (COSgen) is a highly parameterized genetic algorithm implementation to produce optimized stimulus sequences for clinical and preclinical fMRI. Our package is fully compatible with a pure Micro/Python stimulus delivery solution (COSplay), and provides a convenient and well documented API. Because of its modular structure, the implementation is highly adaptable for specific use cases.

Features

- High adaptability for specific use cases
- Full compatability with COSgen
- Custom model specification (design matrix construction, covariance matrix computation)
- Custom fitness measure specification

Dependencies

- Python 2.7 or Python 3.5 and newer
- Numpy
- Scipy
- argh
- nibabel (only for *Make test data* and *Estimation of auto-correlation*)
- matplotlib (only for *cosgen.models.plot_design_matrix* and the example *Optimal block design for contrast detection*)

Installation

The module can be installed using `setuptools`. Run `python setup.py install` inside the COSgen folder you downloaded. After installation you can use `COSgen`, `make_test_data` and `estimate_autocorr` directly as commands.

References

- COSplay: <https://readthedocs.org/projects/cosplay/>
- argh: <https://pypi.python.org/pypi/argh>
- Python: <http://www.python.org/>
- Setuptools: <https://setuptools.readthedocs.io/en/latest/>

Optimal block design for contrast detection

`block_design_for_destection.py`

Custom model

`custom_model.py`

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Command line interface

```
usage: COSgen [-h] [-p POPULATION_SIZE] [-l LIBRARY_SIZE]
              [--storage-path STORAGE_PATH] [--seqlength SEQLength]
              [--nstimtypes NSTIMTYPES] [-g GENERATIONS]
              [--survivors SURVIVORS] [--nimmigrants NIMMIGRANTS]
              [--hrflength HRFLLENGTH] [-T TR] [-m MODEL_TYPE]
```

optional arguments:

```
-h, --help                show this help message and exit
-p POPULATION_SIZE, --population-size POPULATION_SIZE
                           20
-l LIBRARY_SIZE, --library-size LIBRARY_SIZE
                           20
--storage-path STORAGE_PATH
                           '~/cosgen'
--seqlength SEQLength
                           100
--nstimtypes NSTIMTYPES
                           1
-g GENERATIONS, --generations GENERATIONS
                           10000
--survivors SURVIVORS
                           5
--nimmigrants NIMMIGRANTS
                           4
--hrflength HRFLLENGTH
                           30
-T TR, --TR TR            1
-m MODEL_TYPE, --model-type MODEL_TYPE
                           'detection'
```


Submodules

cosgen.algorithms module

This file contains the genetic algorithm. Any extra algorithms should be added in this file.

exception `cosgen.algorithms.MissingFunction`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

Error raised if the function crate passed to 'ga' as 'functions' does not contain all necessary functions for the execution of the genetic algorithm.

`cosgen.algorithms.ga` (*population, functions, generations, nsurvive, nimmigrants, stat*)

Run genetic algorithm.

This function runs a genetic algorithm on a population with the given arguments.

Parameters

- **population** (*list of cosgen.sequence.Sequence objects*) – Initial population.
- **functions** (*cosgen.function_crate.FunctionCrate object*) – This object has to have at least a `mutate` and `cross_over` function as well as one fitness measure.
- **generations** (*int*) – Number of generations(iterations) of the genetic algorithm.
- **nsurvive** (*int*) – Number of survivors after each generation.
- **nimmigrants** (*int*) – Number of immigrants in each generation.
- **stat** (*cosgen.statistics.Statistics object*) – Logs properties of population over generations.

Returns `population` – Population after genetic algorithm.

Return type `list of cosgen.sequence.Sequence objects`

cosgen.cli module

```
cosgen.cli.cli_algorithm(population_size=20, library_size=20, storage_path='~/cosgen', se-
                        qlength=100, nstimtypes=1, generations=10000, survivors=5, nimmi-
                        grants=4, hrflength=30, TR=1, model_type='detection')

cosgen.cli.main()
```

cosgen.cross_over module

This file contains the cross_over function. Any extra cross over functions should be added in this file.

```
cosgen.cross_over.cross_over(sequence1, sequence2)
    Create offspring of sequence1 and sequence2.
```

This function creates and offspring of sequence1 and sequence2 by cutting them at a random point and merging the two ends.

Parameters

- **sequence1** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Parent one.
- **sequence2** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Parent two.

Returns Offspring for the two sequences given.

Return type `cosgen.sequence.Sequence`

cosgen.fitness_measures module

This file contains fitness measure functions.

exception `cosgen.fitness_measures.OptimalityError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

Error raised when a optimality is not 'a' or 'd'.

```
cosgen.fitness_measures.estimate_variance(sequence, model, optimality, contrast=None)
    The optimality of the estimator variances.
```

This function calculates the a- or d-optimality value of the covariance matrix of the estimators.

Parameters

- **sequence** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Sequence for which the covariance matrix is calculated.
- **model** (`cosgen.models.Model`) – Model class providing functions for the construction of the design matrix and covariance matrix.
- **optimality** (*string*) – Can be 'a' for a-optimality (trace) or 'd' for d-optimality (determinant).
- **contrast** (*numpy matrix*) – Matrix containing contrast vectors as rows.

Returns optimality value

Return type float

cosgen.function_crate module

class `cosgen.function_crate.FunctionCrate`

add_fitness_measure (*name*, *function*)

Add fitness measure function to object.

This method adds a fitness measure function to the object, that is used in the evaluate fitness method. The function must take a sequences as parameter and retrun a float.

Parameters

- **name** (*string*) – Name of the fitness measure.
- **function** (*function*) – Fitness measure function.

del_cross_over ()

Delete cross over function.

This methods deletes the function added using the set_cross_over method.

del_generate_immigrants ()

Delete generate immigrants function.

This methods deletes the function added using the set_generate_immigrants method.

del_mutate ()

Delete mutate function.

This methods deletes the function added using the set_mutate method.

evaluate_fitness (*sequence*)

Calculate overall fitness measure.

This method calculates the sum of the return values of all fitness measure functions added to the instance of the class.

Parameters **sequence** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Sequence for which the fitness is calculated.

Returns Overall fitness.

Return type float

static find_best (*population*, *n*)

Find n best sequences in population.

This method finds the n sequences with the highest fitness in population.

Parameters

- **population** (*list of cosgen.sequence.Sequence*) – Population of sequences
- **n** (*int*) – Number of sequences returned.

Returns List of best sequences.

Return type list of `cosgen.sequence.Sequence`

remove_fitness_measure (*name*)

Remove fitness measure.

This method removes a fitness measure previously added with the add_fitness_measure method.

Parameters **name** (*string*) – Name of the fitness measure to be removed.

set_cross_over (*function*)
Set a cross over function.

This method sets a cross over function used by the genetic algorithm. The function should normally take two `cosgen.sequence.Sequence` objects as input and return a `cosgen.sequence.Sequence` object.

Parameters **function** (*function*) – Cross over function.

set_generate_immigrants (*function*)
Set a generate immigrants function.

This method sets a generate immigrants function used by the genetic algorithm. The function should normally return a list of `cosgen.sequence.Sequence` objects. If the function as an argument 'cross_over_fct' a cross over function has to be set in advance using the `set_cross_over` method. The 'cross_over_fct' parameter is then fixed to this function.

Parameters **function** (*function*) – Generate immigrants function.

set_mutate (*function*)
Set a mutate function.

This method sets a mutate function used by the genetic algorithm. The function should normally take a `cosgen.sequence.Sequence` object as input and return a `cosgen.sequence.Sequence` object.

Parameters **function** (*function*) – Mutate function.

exception `cosgen.function_crate.MissingAttrError`
Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

This error is raised if a `FunctionCrate` object misses an attribute to complete the requested operation.

exception `cosgen.function_crate.OverwriteAttrError`
Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

This error is raised if an attribute of a `FunctionCrate` object already exist.

exception `cosgen.function_crate.RmAttrError`
Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

This error is raised if an attribute of a `FunctionCrate` object can not be removed because it does not exist.

exception `cosgen.function_crate.WrongOrderError`
Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

This error is raised if the functions are added to a `FunctionCrate` object in the wrong order.

`cosgen.function_crate.partition` (*population, left, right, pivotIndex*)
Helper function for quickselect. (Code from https://rosettacode.org/wiki/Quickselect_algorithm#Python)

`cosgen.function_crate.quickselect` (*population, left, right, k*)
Returns the k-th smallest, ($k \geq 0$), element of population within `population[left:right+1]` inclusive. Implementation of the quickselect algorithm from https://rosettacode.org/wiki/Quickselect_algorithm#Python.

cosgen.immigrants module

This file contains the function necessary to generate immigrants. Any alternative functions should be added here.

`cosgen.immigrants.generate_immigrants` (*nimmigrants, seqlen, nstimtypes, block_size, cross_over_fct*)
Generate immigrants.

This function generates ‘nimmigrants’ sequences partially consisting of a block and a random sequence.

Parameters

- **nimmigrants** (*int*) – Number of sequences to be generated.
- **seqlen** (*int*) – Length of the sequences to be generated.
- **nstimtypes** (*int*) – Number of stimulus types of the sequences.
- **block_size** (*int*) – Size of the blocks in the block sequence part. Has to be a divisor of the sequence length.
- **cross_over_fct** (*function*) – Function taking two sequences as parameters and returning one. (e.g. `cosgen.cross_over.cross_over`)

Returns List of sequence according to parameters.

Return type list of `cosgen.sequence.Sequence`

cosgen.models module

```
class cosgen.models.DetectionModel (hrf, whitening_mat=None, err_cov_mat=None, filter-  
func=<function <lambda>>, extra_evs=None)
```

Bases: `cosgen.models.Model`

cov_beta (*X*)

Calculate covariance of estimators (betas).

This method calculated the covariance matrix of the estimators for a given design matrix. It employs pre-whitening.

Parameters **X** (*numpy matrix*) – Design matrix.

Returns Covariance matrix of beta.

Return type numpy matrix

design_matrix (*sequence*)

Calculate design matrix.

This method calculates the desing matrix for a given sequence. Columns of the desing matrix are a constant (ones) a linear time course and the convolution of the hrf with the sequence.

Parameters **sequence** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Sequence for which the design matrix is calculated.

Returns Design matrix.

Return type numpy matrix

```
class cosgen.models.EstimationModel (basis_set, whitening_mat=None, err_cov_mat=None, filter-  
func=<function <lambda>>, extra_evs=None)
```

Bases: `cosgen.models.Model`

This class implements a model for estimating the hrf.

The model employes pre-whitening to account for autocorrelation for the errors. Either ‘whitening_mat or ‘err_cov_mat’ must be given.

Parameters

- **basis_set** (*numpy array*) – Array with hrf basis vetors as rows.
- **whitening_mat** (*numpy matrix*, *optional*) – Whitening matrix.

- **err_cov_mat** (*numpy matrix, optional*) – Error covariance matrix.
- **filterfunc** (*function*) – Filter function takes numpy array as input and returns filtered numpy array (c.f. `gaussian_highpass()`)
- **extra_evs** (*array-like object*) – Extra explanatory variables in form of a 2D array-like object with regressors as columns. Shapes is (number of extra evs, sequence length).

cov_beta (*X*)

Calculate covariance of estimators (betas).

This method calculated the covariance matrix of the estimators for a given design matrix. It employs pre-whitening.

Parameters **X** (*numpy matrix*) – Design matrix.

Returns Covariance matrix of beta.

Return type numpy matrix

design_matrix (*sequence*)

Calculate design matrix.

This method calculates the design matrix for a given sequence. Columns of the design matrix are a constant (ones) a linear time course and the convolution of the basis vectors with the sequence.

Parameters **sequence** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Sequence for which the design matrix is calculated.

Returns Design matrix.

Return type numpy matrix

class `cosgen.models.Model` (*design_matrix_func, cov_beta_func*)

cov_beta (*X*)

Return covariance matrix for a given design matrix.

This method execute the 'cov_beta_func' given in the initialisation of the object. The parameter types and return types depend on the particular function.

Parameters **matrix** (*design*) – Design matrix for which the covariance matrix is to be calculated.

Returns Covariance matrix for the given design matrix.

Return type covariance matrix

design_matrix (*sequence*)

Return design matrix for a given sequence.

This method execute the 'design_matrix_func' given in the initialisation of the object. The parameter types and return types depend on the particular function.

Parameters **sequence** – Sequence for which the design matrix is to be calculated.

Returns Design matrix for the given sequence.

Return type design matrix

`cosgen.models.gaussian_highpass` (*data, sigma=225*)

`cosgen.models.get_FIR_basis_set` (*length*)

`cosgen.models.get_ICA_basis_set` (*TR, length, order*)


```

cosgen.models.get_ar1_cov(dim, phi)
cosgen.models.get_autocorr_whitening_mat(acf)
cosgen.models.get_bspline_basis_set(TR, length, order)
cosgen.models.get_canonical_basis_set(TR, length, order)
cosgen.models.get_fourier_basis_set(TR, length, order)
cosgen.models.get_gamma_basis_set(TR, length, order, a1, b1, a2, b2, c)
cosgen.models.get_gamma_hrf(TR, length, a1, b1, a2, b2, c)
cosgen.models.orthogonalize(A, v)
    A must contain already orthogonalized vector!!
cosgen.models.plot_design_matrix(mat)

```

cosgen.mutate module

This file holds functions to mutate sequences.

exception `cosgen.mutate.InvalidFractionError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

`cosgen.mutate.mutate(sequence, mutation_fraction)`

Mutate sequence with given probability.

This function randomly changes ‘mutation_fraction’ of the entire of the sequence given and returns the changes sequence.

Parameters

- **sequence** (`cosgen.sequence.Sequence`) – Sequence to be mutated.
- **mutation_fraction** (`float`) – Fraction of sequence elements to be changed. Has to be between 0 and 1.

Returns Altered sequence.

Return type `cosgen.sequence.Sequence`

cosgen.sequence module

exception `cosgen.sequence.BlockSizeError`

Bases: `exceptions.Exception`

class `cosgen.sequence.Sequence(seqlen=None, nstimtypes=1, seqtype='random', l=None, block_size=None)`

`dump(path, index=0, TR=1)`

`get_block_representation()`

`cosgen.sequence.estimate_optimal_block_size(seqlen, fc)`

cosgen.statistics module

This file holds everything related to logging the statistics of the population during execution of the genetic algorithm.

class `cosgen.statistics.Statistics` (*storage_path*)

add (*population*)

Add population statistics to log.

This function stores the maximum fitness, average fitness, and the population diversity (average hamming distance).

Parameters **population** (*list of cosgen.sequence.Sequence*) –

gen_plot ()

Generates plot and save it. Add description of what happens if matplotlib is not there

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Make test data

`make_test_data`

Estimation of auto-correlation

`estimate_autocorr`

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