



PhD Position Lyon/San Francisco Deep Learning for MR Spectroscopy Analysis in Gliomas

Lyon / San Francisco collaboration

The PhD will be carried out partly at the CREATIS laboratory in Lyon www.creatis.insa-lyon.fr and partly at Yan Li's laboratory at the University of California San Fancisco https://lilabimaging.ucsf.edu as part of an international thesis co-direction. This thesis project is co-funded by the graduate school medical device (https://graduate-plus.fr/en/medical-device-engineering-2/mde-call-for-project-phd-scholarshipp/) and UCSF.

Context:

Magnetic resonance spectroscopy (MRS) has demonstrated its potential to understand major metabolic and neuronal pathways involved in brain disease. However, the analysis of spectra is confronted with a lack of robustness, objectification and automation. Deep learning will offer an analysis that is not subject modeling bias. Nevertheless, the impossibility to get the ground truth from real invivo MRS acquisition prevent the use of supervised deep learning.

Project description

The project proposes to leverage the latest methodological developments in **deep generative**, **regression and classification models** for the analysis of invivo NMR spectra from tumor patients.

As some parameters have no real ground truth, networks should be trained **unsupervised**, **weakly supervised** or **semi-supervised**.

To avoid the pitfalls of overfitting associated with the sole use of simulated data, unsupervised techniques based on **generative score-based models/diffusion models**, will be developed. We will also develop dedicated **domain adaptation** methods using simulated data with ground truth and real non-annotated data. This work will also build on recent advances in probabilistic scattering models, and propose an **hybrid AI to incorporate physical properties/parameters** into scattering and inversion processes.

Application

- Background: applied mathematics, machine/deep learning or signal processing
- Good software development skills (ideally with python/pytorch)
- Taste for working in a highly multidisciplinary environment (DL, MRI physics, medical applications)

Applications (CV, transcript, recommendations,...) should be sent to michael.sdika[@]creatis.insalyon.fr and helene.ratiney[@]creatis.insalyon.fr and yan.li@ucsf.edu

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