高等磁共振影像技術

動態加速影像與壓縮感知 Accelerated MRI & Compressed Sensing

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Accelerated MRI & Compressed Sensing

- Time requisite in MRI
 - One k-space line at a time
 - Several minutes for one volumetric image

- Acceleration
 - Physical limit : Contrast must be preserved
 - Hardware limit : Gradient Performances
 - Software limit : Nyquist Criteria

Physical Limit



Physical Limit

- Signal feature ~ Repetition Time
- Getting Faster = Loss in Contrast
- Magnetization Preparation?!
 - EPI : Distortion
 - GRE/FSE: Signal Inhomogeneity

Hardware Limit: IDEAL



Hardware Limit



Hardware Limit

- Higher Slew Rate:
 - Shorten the ramp
 - Require better eddy current shielding
 - Peripheral Nervous Stimulation

• \$ is also a kind of hardware

Software Limit



Software Limit

- Fourier Encoding and reconstruction
- Imaging Speed v.s. Resolution
- Nyquist Criteria
 - Linear perspective:
 The number of conditions should be compatible to the number of variables

Software Limit

• Fourier Encoding

•
$$k(k_x) = \sum_{x=0}^{N_x - 1} \rho(x) e^{-2\pi i \frac{k_x x}{N_x}}$$

•
$$\begin{bmatrix} k(0) \\ \vdots \\ k(N_{x}-1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{-2\pi i \frac{(0*0)}{N_{x}}} & \dots & e^{-2\pi i \frac{(0*N_{x}-1)}{N_{x}}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e^{-2\pi i \frac{(N_{x}-1*0)}{N_{x}}} & \dots & e^{-2\pi i \frac{(N_{x}-1*N_{x}-1)}{N_{x}}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \rho(0) \\ \vdots \\ \rho(N_{x}-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Accelerated MRI

• Hardware + Software

 Parallel Imaging : PILS, SMASH, GRAPPA, SENSE, Space-RIP

Temporal Strategies
 – UNFOLD, kt-BLAST, TSENSE,.....

• Compressed Sensing

Parallel Imaging



Parallel Imaging - SENSE



Parallel Imaging



Parallel Imaging

• The signal equation

$$k_{\vec{k}} = \mathbf{P}_{\vec{k}} \mathbf{F}_{\vec{r} \to \vec{k}} \mathbf{S}_{\vec{r}} \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\vec{r}} = \Phi \boldsymbol{\rho}_{\vec{r}}$$

- r: image space, k: k-space
- k : k-space signal P : sampling mask
 - F : Fourier Operator S : Sensitivity Encoding
- Φ : a general encoding matrix

General Solution of Parallel Imaging $\rho'_{\vec{r}} = \left(P_{\vec{k}} F_{\vec{r} \to \vec{k}} S_{\vec{r}}\right)^{-1} k_{\vec{k}} = \left(\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi\right)^{-1} \Phi^{\dagger} k_{\vec{k}}$ Or $\rho'_{\vec{r}} = \min_{\rho'} \left|k_{\vec{r}} - P_{\vec{r}} F_{\vec{r} \to \vec{r}} S_{\vec{r}} \rho'_{\vec{r}}\right|^{2}$

$$\rho'_{\vec{r}} = min_{\rho'_{\vec{r}}} |k_{\vec{k}} - P_{\vec{k}} F_{\vec{r} \to \vec{k}} S_{\vec{r}} \rho'_{\vec{r}}|_2$$
$$= min_{\rho'} |k - \Phi \rho'|_2^2$$

- Parallel imaging still satisfies Nyquist criteria.
- Sensitivity encoding serves the additional conditions

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The y-f power spectrum of a heart



Cardiac CINE

y-f power spectrum

Acceleration Factor R = 2



• kt space sampling

R = 2 Image

Impact on the y-f power spectrum





• $\mathbf{R} = 2$ Image

y-f power spectrum

Temporal Strategy R = 2



• kt space sampling

R = 2 Image

Undersampling 的變化(以兩倍為例)





R = 2 Image ightarrow

UNFOLD



• Original

UNFOLD

Temporal Undersampling Strategy

• Aliasing artifact can be removed by filtering

• UNFOLD (by Bruno Madore)

Extended research topics

 kt-BLAST, TSENSE
 Compressed Sensing

Undersampling 的變化 (只取低頻)





• kt space sampling

Low Res Image

The spectrum of the low-res images





• Low Res Image

yf space pattern

kt-BLAST 、 kt-SENSE



由低解析度影像,取得訊號權重資訊 經由訊號權重,解開aliased signal 只要能解開 aliasing,影像重建就不是問題

Temporal Strategy & Reconstruction

• Aliasing artifact can be relocated along *f* domain by special designed sampling pattern.

- The reconstruction requires prior knowledge of the signal behavior
 - UNFOLD: No signal appears in Nyquist region
 - kt-BLAST: a low resolution prior knowledge is required for the reconstruction.

Reconstruction Algorithm

Encoding Process

 $k = PFS\rho = \Phi\rho$

• Image Reconstruction Process

 $\rho' = \min_{\rho'} |k - H\Phi\rho'|_2^2 - \lambda^2 |L\rho|_2^2$ $\rho' = \left(\Phi^{\dagger}H^{\dagger}H\Phi + \lambda^2 L^{\dagger}L\right)^{-1}\Phi^{\dagger}k$ H: Implicit Regularization (FILTER) L: Explicit Regularization (FILTER)

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Compressed Sensing

- Much empty space in the power spectrum
 - A lot of empty space (0) : *Sparse representation*
 - No. of SIGNIFICANT variables are much smaller than expected.
- Are there other sparse presentations?
 For other images



- Is it possible to sample these significant components DIRECTLY?
 - Compressive Sampling

Compressed Sensing

• Sparse Representation

• Compressive Sampling

• Signal Recovery

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Other Sparse Representation Wavelet Transform

• Data can sparsely represented



Wavelet Representation

3D T1w

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Other Sparse Representation



Discrete Cosine Transform

Total Variance (Gradient)





Sparse transformations

- Fourier transformation
- Wavelet transformation
- Discrete Cosine transformation
- Principal component decomposition
- Edge detection (Total Variance)
Data Compression & Sparsity

- Sparse Data can be compressed
- Sparse Transformation
 - Fourier Transform
 - Wavelet (JPEG2000)
 - Discrete Cosine
 Transform (JPEG)
 - ...etc

• Sparse Data





Other Sparse Representation

• Sparse data can be compressed













Where Compressed Sensing is from

• Something is wrong with "Sample then Compress"



• What if a directly sampling from compressed data is feasible?

Compressed Sensing

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Sampling equation (Ill-posed)

• The signal equation

$k = P F \Psi \alpha = \Phi \Psi \alpha$

 Ψ : Sparse Transformation s.t. $\Psi^{-1}\rho = \alpha$ is a sparse signal

- F : A complete linear transformation
- P : Sampling function on F space

Sampling equation (Ill-posed)



k = $\Phi \Psi \alpha$ $\rho: y - f signal$ $\Psi: I, \Phi: masked 2D FT$



Sampling equation (Ill-posed)



 $y = \Phi \rho = \Phi \Psi \alpha$

 $\rho: object (N \times 1)$ $\alpha: K - sparse \ data (N \times 1)$ $\Psi: Sparse \ Transform(N \times N)$ $\Phi: Encoding \ function(M \times N)$ $y: acquired \ data (M \times 1)$ $K < M \le N$



Compressive Sampling

• Sparse Representation

• Incoherent sampling & representation space

• Restricted Isometry Property

Sparsity

- Sparse : only a few non-zero elements.
- Lp-norm 0≤ p<2 can be used to represent the sparsity of a dataset.
 L0 and L1 are commonly used for discussion.

$$\left\|\vec{a}\right\|_{p} = \sqrt[p]{\sum_{i}} \left|a_{i}\right|^{p}$$

- Ex: a=[5, 0, 0, -1, 0], $||a||_0=2$, $||a||_1=6$, precisely sparse b=[5, -4, 2, 3, 0], $||b||_0=4$, $||b||_1=14$, not sparse c=[-5, 0.001,-0.005, 1, 0],

 $\|\mathbf{c}\|_0 = 4$, $\|\mathbf{c}\|_1 = 6.006$, nearly sparse (with noise and ...)

- In Compressed Sensing
 - L1 norm is suitable for the nearly sparse data.
 - L1 is equivalent to L0 in reconstruction. [Donoho, Tanner]

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Incoherence

 Different behavior of the coefficients between the sensing basis (for k-space) and the representation bases (for ρ space)



Incoherence

Time V.S. Frequency



Incoherence

V.S

• k-space



Wavelet space



Compressive Sampling

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- The encoding matrix of Compressive Sampling must satisfy Uniform Uncertainty Principle.
- Uniform Uncertainty Principle (UUP)
 aka Restricted Isometry Property

$$1 - \varepsilon \leq \frac{\left\| \Phi \Psi \alpha \right\|_{2}}{\left\| \Psi \alpha \right\|_{2}} = \frac{\left\| \Phi \rho \right\|_{2}}{\left\| \rho \right\|_{2}} \leq 1 + \varepsilon \qquad \qquad \varepsilon \geq 0$$

$$\alpha : K - sparse \ data$$

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• K-sparse data are mostly distinguishable in Φ

$$\rho_1 \neq \rho_2; \quad \Phi \rho_1 \neq \Phi \rho_2$$

• And the undersampled data in representation space may look similar to the original data

$$\Phi^{-1}\Phi\rho \approx \rho$$

 $\rho_1 \neq \rho_2$







 $\Phi_s \rho_1 = \Phi_s \rho_2$





NO Restricted Isometry Property $\Phi_s^{-1}\Phi_s\rho_1 = \Phi_s^{-1}\Phi_s\rho_2$

ky





$\Phi_r \rho_1 \neq \Phi_r \rho_2$



$\Phi_r^{-1}\Phi_r\rho_1 \neq \Phi_r^{-1}\Phi_r\rho_2$

ky





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Toward Compressed Sensing



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Compressed Sensing

Regularly Undersampling

 Regularly distributed aliasing artifact
 Difficult to distinguish signal and artifacts

- Irregularly Undersampling
 - Irregular distributed artifacts (Noise Like)
 - Noise suppression algorithm may help
 - How about finding a sparsest solution

Compressed Sensing

• Sparse Representation

• Compressive Sampling

• Signal Recovery

Finding a Solution

Image Encoding

 $\mathbf{k} = \Phi \Psi \alpha = \mathbf{E} \alpha$

k : Data
Φ : Encoding
Ψ: Sparsification
α: Sparse Signal

• Image Decoding $\boldsymbol{\alpha}' = (E^T E)^{-1} E^T \mathbf{k}$

or

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \min_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}'} |\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{E}\boldsymbol{\alpha}'|_2^2$$

Finding a CS Solution

• Encoding

 $\mathbf{k} = \Phi \Psi \alpha = \mathbf{E} \alpha$

k : Data
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α: Sparse Signal

• Decoding Find a solution α' such that $\Psi \alpha'$ is the sparsest & $k - E \alpha' = 0$

• A sparse signal:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\2\\0 \end{bmatrix} \quad ;$$

represented in the bases [1,0,0], [0, 1, 0] and [0,0, 1]

• The signal was encoded by a new random bases

	0.2	0.49	0.46		0.98
$\Phi =$	0	0	0	$y = \Phi x =$	0
	0.61	0.77	0.83		<u>[</u> 1 . 54

 Now forget the x. Let's get the x back from the encoded signal y and the encoding matrix Φ.

$$\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.49 & 0.46 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.61 & 0.77 & 0.83 \end{bmatrix}$$

 $y = \Phi x =$

- What we know about x
 - -3 elements $[x_1, x_2, x_3]$
 - -a solution of the $y = \Phi x$
 - And it's sparse

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.98\\0\\1.54\end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.49 & 0.46\\0 & 0\\0.61 & 0.77 & 0.83\end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1\\x_2\\x_3\end{bmatrix}$$

• Parametric form of the general solutions of x

 $x' = \Phi^{-1}y + t \operatorname{ker}(\Phi)$ = $\begin{bmatrix} -0.3262 \\ 1.2879 \\ 0.9004 \end{bmatrix} - t \begin{bmatrix} -0.2734 \\ -0.5967 \\ 0.7545 \end{bmatrix}$

The answer shall be the sparsest

• If $x_1 = 0$, x = [0, 2, 0]

• If $x_2 = 0$, x = [0.91, 0, 2.5289]

$$c' = \Phi^{-1} y + t \operatorname{ker}(\Phi)$$

= $\begin{bmatrix} -0.3262 \\ 1.2879 \\ 0.9004 \end{bmatrix} - t \begin{bmatrix} -0.2734 \\ -0.5967 \\ 0.7545 \end{bmatrix}$

Searching in solution space

• Exactly recover the precisely sparse data

• The only method compatible to find the solution subject to min L0-norm

• Time consuming

• Not suitable for slightly larger scale system

Finding a Sparsest Solution

• Image Encoding $\mathbf{k} = \Phi \rho = \Phi \Psi \alpha = \mathbf{E} \alpha$

• L0 or L1-norm Regularized Image Decoding

minimize $|\alpha'|_p$ subject to $|\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{E}\alpha'|_2 < \epsilon$ or

$$\rho' = \min_{\rho'} |\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{E}\boldsymbol{\alpha}'|_2^2 + \lambda |\boldsymbol{\alpha}'|_p^p$$
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Algorithms to explore CS solution

- Sparsest searching (impractical)
- non-linear Conjugate Gradient

 CG: Newton's Method in matrix form
 line search
- Basis pursuit (A greedy method)
 Orthogonal Matching Pursuit
- LASSO: least absolute shrinkage and selection operator
- (FOCUSS)

non-linear Conjugate Gradient

 $\underset{m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad \|\mathcal{F}_{u}m - y\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\Psi m\|_{1},$ $\nabla f(m) = 2F_{u}^{*}(F_{u}m - y) + \lambda \nabla ||\Psi m||_{1}$



% Initialization $k = 0; m = 0; g_0 = \nabla f(m_0); \Delta m_0 = -g_0$ % Iterations while ($||g_k||_2 < \text{TolGrad and } k > \text{maxIter}$) { % Backtracking line-search $t = 1; while (f(m_k + t\Delta m_k) > f(m_k) + \alpha t \cdot \text{Real}(g_k^*\Delta m_k))$ $\{t = \beta t\}$ $m_{k+1} = m_k + t\Delta m_k$ $g_{k+1} = \nabla f(m_{k+1})$ $\gamma = \frac{||g_{k+1}||_2^2}{||g_k||_2^2}$ $\Delta m_{k+1} = -g_{k+1} + \gamma \Delta m_k$ k = k + 1 }

SPARSE MRI



Michael Lustig et al. Magn Reson Med, 58: 1182–1195 (2007)





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SPARSE MRI

• The sparser, the better

 Contrast Enhanced MRA has better reconstruction than conventional T1w and T2w images.

• Higher dimension has more degrees of freedom for sparse representation

- Better reconstruction in 3D MRI than in 2D

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- Orthogonal Matching Pursuit
- Keep picking up the maximal signal in the sparse representation of each iteration
- Remove the component from the undersampled data



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• Original fully-sampled acquisition

• Least square reconstruction





 Randomly undersampled acquisition



• Least square reconstruction





CS on Cardiac CINE imaging

• Original FULLY sampled cardiac CINE



The Spectrum of Cardiac Motion





Cardiac CINE Image

y-f spectrum

Reconstruction



2nd Round: OMP + Weighting

w/ and w/o penalty (3x)



Fully Sampled

Without Penalty

W/ Penalty from 1st recon

Fully Sampled V.S CS Sampled Spectrum of Cardiac Motion

Fully Sampled Reference







Reconstruction



w/ and w/o penalty (3x)



w/ and w/o penalty (3x)



FMRI



Other CS applications: MRSI

• Mapping Metabolites in Human Brain



Regional Spectra

Compressed sensing for resolution enhancement of hyperpolarized ¹³C flyback 3D-MRSI

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Other CS applications: HARDI & Fiber tracts



• Typical Water Diffusion Barrier

Other CS applications: HARDI

• HARDI encodes ADC on several direction to resolve complex microstructure

Diffusion Encoding Directions









Resolving the Orientation: CFARI



$$\widehat{O}(y,d) = S_0 \sum_{i} f_i e^{-(b \cdot \vec{d}^T D_i \vec{d})}$$



$$f = \min_{f:f_i \in [0,\infty)} \left\| \sum_{i} f_i e^{-(b \cdot \vec{d}^T D_i \vec{d})} - \hat{O}(y,d) / S_0 \right\|_2^2 + \beta \|f\|_1$$

D: Modelled prolate diffusion tensor f_i: Components of each modeled profile

Result : Color FA map

Accelerated Multi-shot DWI



100 Directions

64Directions

Orientation Map

Accelerated Multi-shot DWI



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64Directions

Something About CS

A very powerful tool
 Not only useful in MRI but other Multimedia

Sparsity is the key toward faster MR scan
 – Fast super resolution imaging

• Reconstruction may take much time.

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