AutoCalibrating Parallel MRI, with or without calibration lines, using Eigen-Vector analysis and structured low-rank matrix completion

(ESPIRIT 2.0)

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The Need for Speed

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Preface

Coil Arrays

Used to:

- Increase SNR
- Acceleration

32 channels becoming standard



12ch body coil



8ch head coil



* Courtesy, Phil Beatty

- Multiple local receiver coils
- Coil sensitivities provide additional information for reconstruction
- Allows undersampling/aliasing in k-space



Parallel receive coils reduce sampling requirements





Standard k-space sampling





Reduced k-space sampling

Parallel Imaging



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SMASH

Sensitivity Encoding (SENSE)

SENSE model



*image, courtesy of Kevin King

Full inverse model

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- Prone to errors in sensitivity map estimation.
 - Often less robust in practice



Generalized Autocalibrating Partially Parallel Acquisitions (GRAPPA)

Autocalibrating Model (GRAPPA)



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AutoCalibration

- Autocalibration methods will have k-space center densely sampled
- Autocalibration tends to be more robust in practice



Correlation in k-space



- Image weighting is equivalent to k-space blurring
- Coil sensitivities are smooth, therefore the blurring kernel is compact.
- k-space becomes locally correlated.

k-Space variant interpolation.



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GRAPPA Calibration



GRAPPA Calibration



pattern



Autocalibration as a Subspace Method

A Different View



pattern



A Different View



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Singular Value Decomposition











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- Same info used by GRAPPA/SPIRiT etc....



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calibration

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Back to SENSE with Eigen-Vector Analysis





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Eigen-decomposition is fast in image domain.



 v_3



















Eigen Vectors





EigenVecs with EigenVals = 1 are "sensitivity maps"

Solution is spanned by sensitivity maps





- EigenVecs with EigenVals = 1 are "sensitiv" maps" Totally makes sense!
- Solution is spanned by real



Calibration

Construct A

[U,S,V]=SVD(A)

Construct V_{\parallel}

Eigen-decomp $\mathcal{V}_{\scriptscriptstyle \|}$

Maps with EigenVal=1

Reconstruction

Use maps with SENSE

Overcoming the FOV limitation

FOV limitations

Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 52:1118-1126 (2004)

Field-of-View Limitations in Parallel Imaging

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Folded positions have <u>multiple</u> eigenVals=1








Folded Calibration ESPIRIT 2.0 vs mSENSE





2-fold undersampling 8-channel head coil

Related Stuff

Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 43:682–690 (2000)

Adaptive Reconstruction of Phased Array MR Imagery

David O. Walsh,¹ Arthur F. Gmitro,^{2*} and Michael W. Marcellin³

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IMAGE RECONSTRUCTION FROM PHASED-ARRAY MRI DATA BASED ON MULTICHANNEL BLIND DECONVOLUTION

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- Theory of optimal auto-calibration
 - -Leads from GRAPPA-like acPI to SENSE
- Explained the FOV problem in terms of EigenVals/Vecs of operators
- Very robust and efficient coil combination
- Complexity of the reconstruction reduced from O(n²) to O(n).
 n is # coils.

Going Calibrationless

- Autocalibration:
 - -k-space center densely sampled
- But Sometimes..
 - -Dense sampling can be \$\$\$
 - -Not enough of
 - -Hard to acquire
- Can we autocalibrate from sparsely sampled k-space?



What if there's no calibration?





The Calibration Matrix:



calibration matrix

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The Calibration Matrix:

Has Hankel structure





The Calibration Matrix:

- Has Hankel structure
- Rows are correlated





The Calibration Matrix:

Has Hankel structure

SVD(A)

low-rank

Singular values

Rows are correlated

Calibrate from sparse sampling



calibration matrix

Subsampled Matrix:

- Has Hankel structure
- Less Correlation

Impose:

- Low-Rank
- Hankel Structure
- Data Consistency
- Iterate



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[U,S,V]=SVD(A)Singular values

calibration matrix

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[U,S,V]=SVD(A)threshold Singular values

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[U,S,V]=SVD(A) $A = USV^*$ threshold Singular values

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Singular values

Original



x3 Calibrationless

x3 zero-fill



x3 undersampling

Poisson-Disc

8-chan head coil



Original



x3 Calibrationless

x3 zero-fill

direct (slower)



x3 undersampling Poisson-Disc 8-chan head coil

Original



x3 Calibrationless

x3 zero-fill

×3 undersampling Poisson-Disc 8-chan head coil



Original



x3 Calibrationless

x3 zero-fill







Post Cartesian



Post Cartesian



Post-Cartesian Calibrationless



Data Consistency?







Calibrationless Post-Cartesian



3-fold undersampling

- Uniform Spirals
- 8-chan Cardiac coil



Alternatives and Related

Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 57:1196-1202 (2007)

Joint Image Reconstruction and Sensitivity Estimation in SENSE (JSENSE)

Leslie Ying* and Jinhua Sheng

Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 63:1456-1462 (2010)

Nonlinear Inverse Reconstruction for Real-Time MRI of the Human Heart Using Undersampled Radial FLASH

Martin Uecker,^{*} Shuo Zhang, and Jens Frahm

Magnetic Resonance in Medicine 59:903–907 (2008)

Iterative GRAPPA (iGRAPPA) for Improved Parallel Imaging Reconstruction

Tiejun Zhao and Xiaoping Hu^{*}

Comments

- Low-rank completion is an extension of sparsity to matrices.
- Can also be thought of as blind system identification
- Here, rank is not extremely low
 - The Hankel structure is essential!
- Cadzow can fall to local minimum
 - Variable density helps <u>A LOT</u>

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