

Automatic detection of patient-specific perfusion abnormalities in Arterial Spin Labeling

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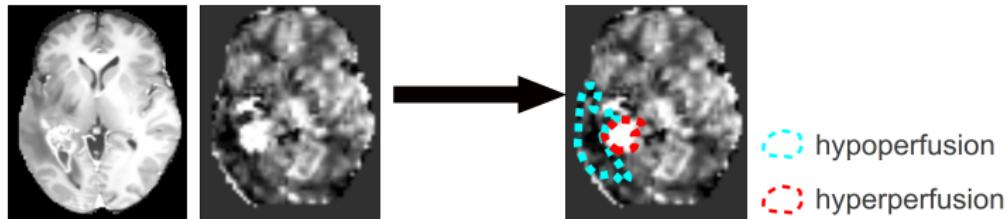
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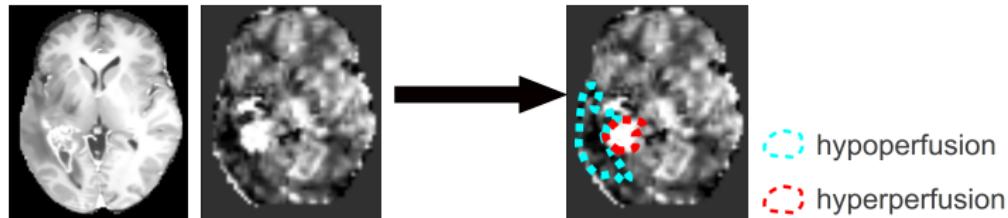
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Quantitative identification of voxelwise patient-specific perfusion abnormalities.



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Challenges:

- Low signal-to-noise ratio of the Q2TIPS PASL sequence.
- Presence of artefacts.

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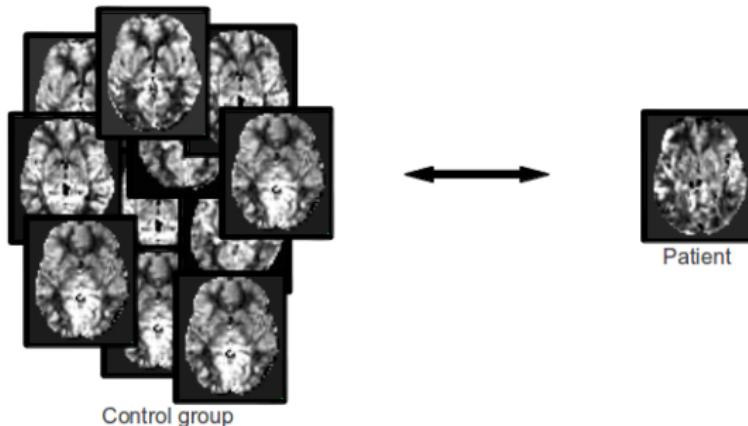
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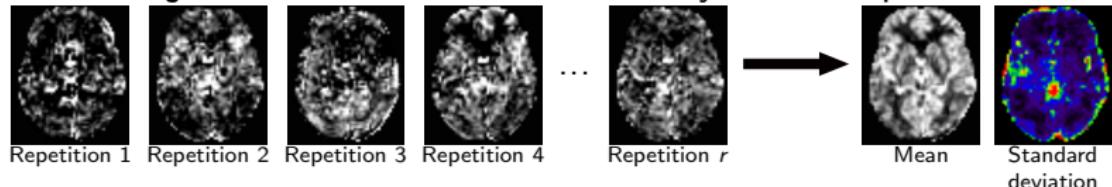
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Originality of our approach:

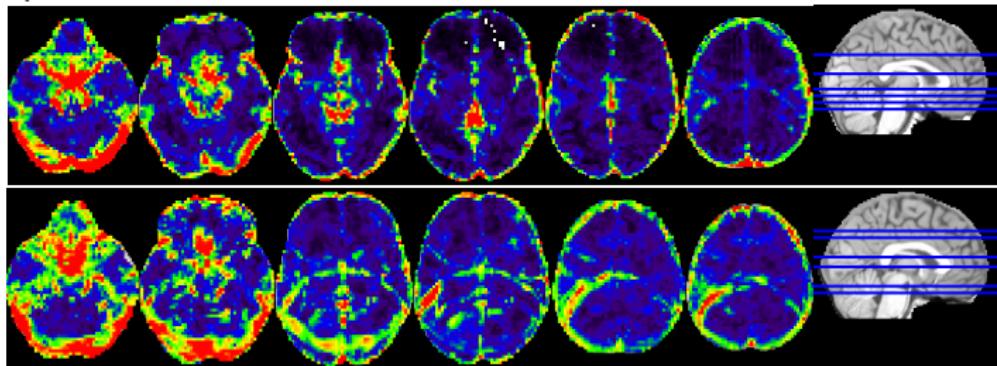
- *Explicit modelling of both intra-subject and inter-subject variances.*
- **No pre-smoothing of the data: a contrario approach.**

Intra-subject variance

Intra-subject variance models variability across repetitions

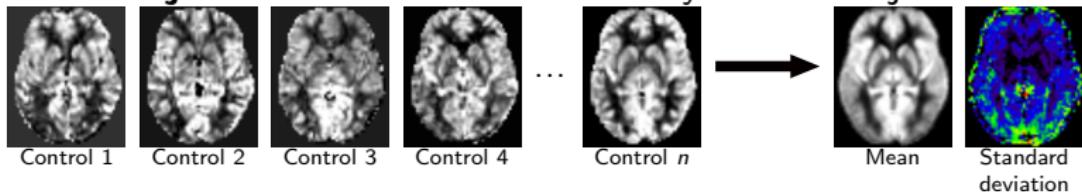


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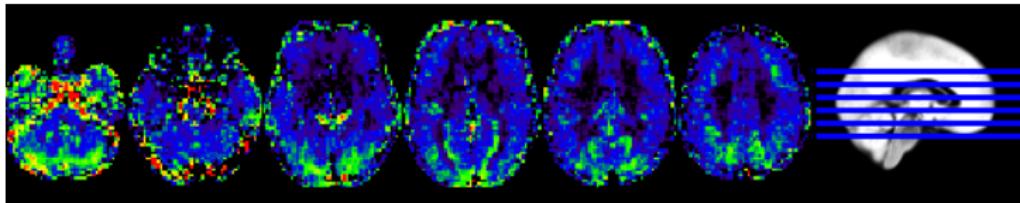


Inter-subject variance

Inter-subject variance models variability across subjects



Inter-subject standard deviation (35 healthy subjects)

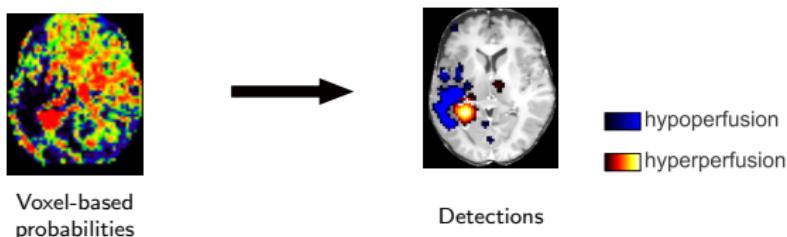


Detection of perfusion abnormalities

Model of normal perfusion:

$$\text{Patient map} \sim \mathcal{N}(\text{Mean across subjects}, \text{Inter-subject variance} + \text{Intra-subject variance})^2$$

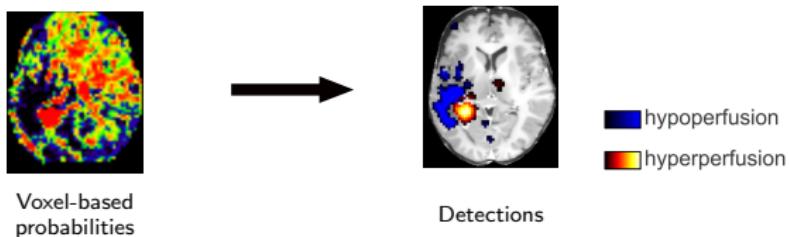
Detection of hypoperfusions and hyperperfusions:



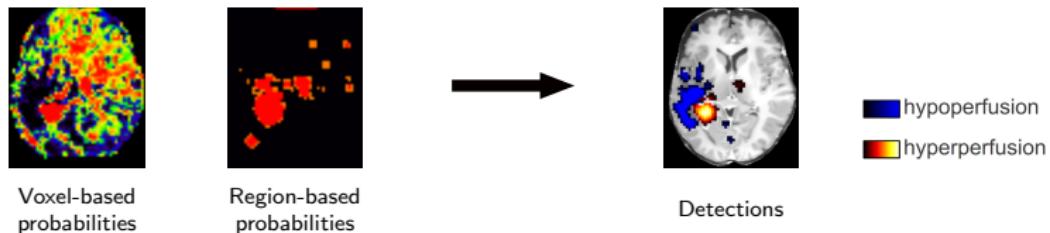
Known as a mixed-effect general linear model.

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Mixed-effect General Linear Model:

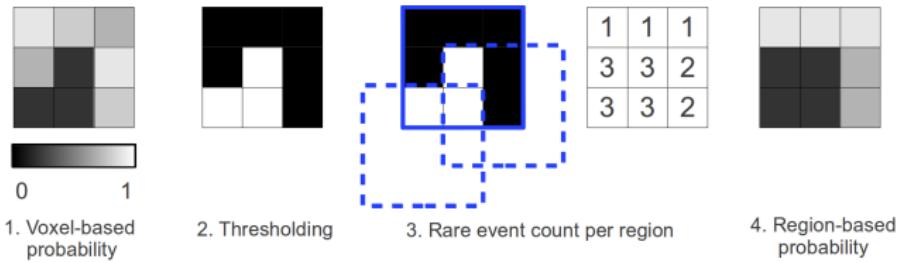


Mixed-effect *a contrario* approach:



A contrario approach

From voxel-based to region-based probabilities:



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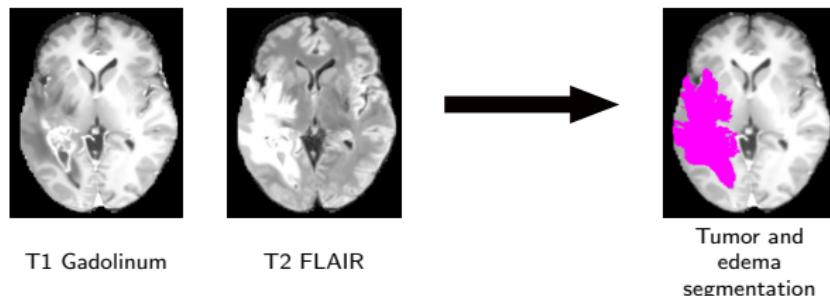
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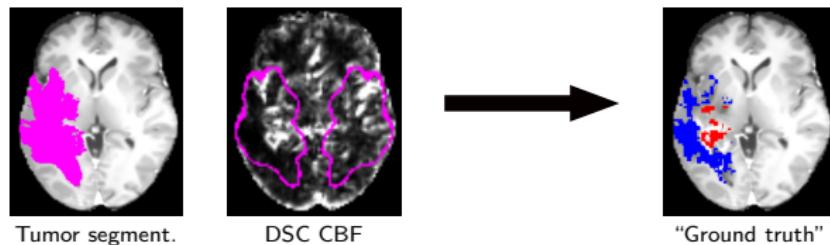
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Ground Truth estimation

Step 1 – Segmentation of the tumor:



Step 2 – Combination with T2 perfusion information:



Step 3 – Visual assessment and manual corrections by a clinician

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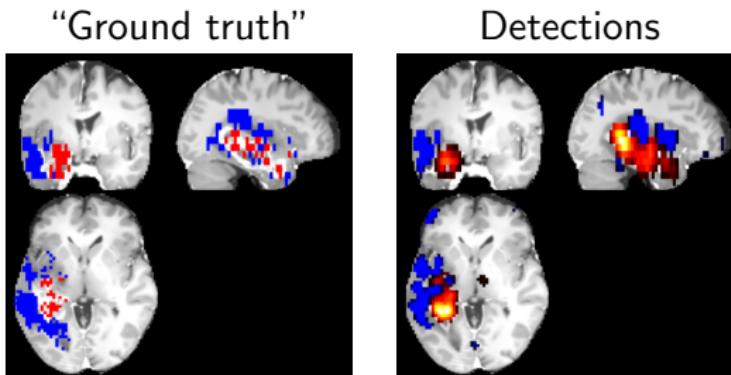
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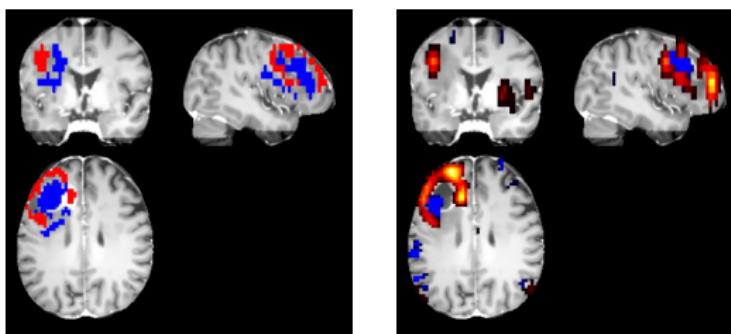
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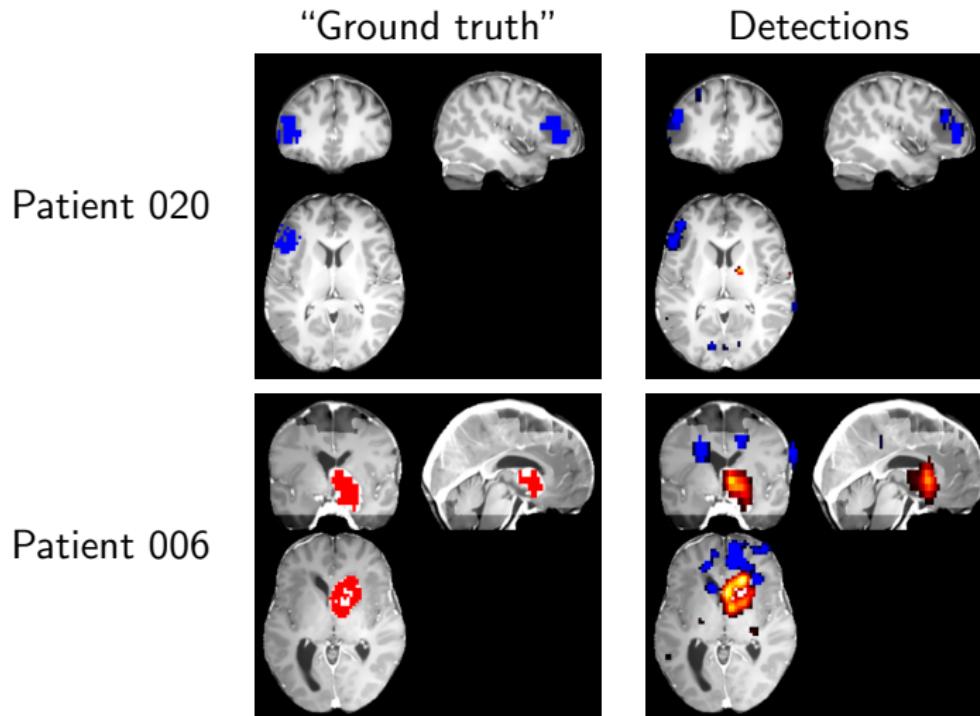
Patient 016



Patient 010



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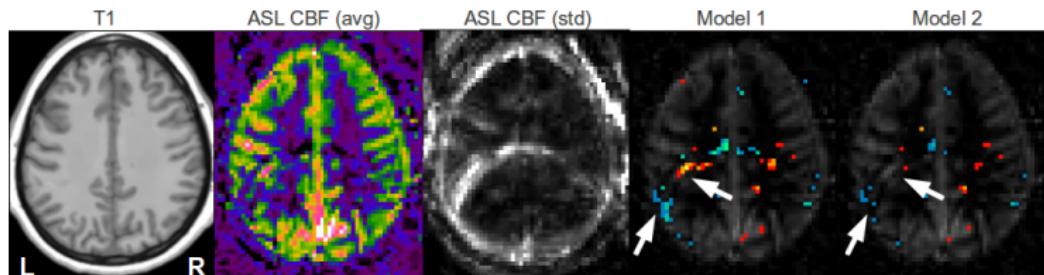
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Specificity (controls)	0.99
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Results: Importance of intra-subject variance

Effect of intra-subject variance on the detections:

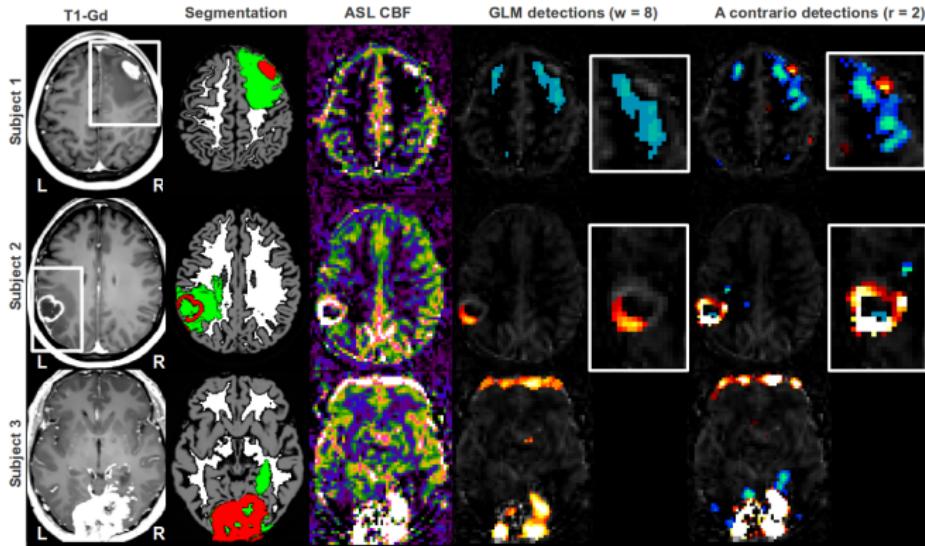


Quantitative results (22 patients, 35 controls):

	A contrario Mixed-effects	A contrario Random-effects
Specificity (controls)	0.99	0.92
Specificity (patients)	0.93	0.56
Sensitivity (hyper)	0.82	0.86

Results: advantage of the a contrario approach

A contrario approach and Mixed-effect General linear model detections:



Conclusion

Conclusions:

- Importance of intra-subject variance in the detection of patient-specific perfusion abnormalities.
- Good sensitivity and specificity of the proposed approach.
- Region-based *a contrario* probabilities outperform the standard voxel-based probabilities.

More details on the *a contrario* approach: C. Maumet, P. Maurel, J.-C. Ferré, and C. Barillot, "A comprehensive framework for the detection of individual brain perfusion abnormalities using arterial spin labeling" MICCAI 2012, pp. 542–549.

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