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Areas of Specialization

Machine learning
Generative modeling
Bayesian inference
Inverse problems
Image/Signal processing

MRI physics
My projects @ ggluo.github.io

Employment

01/2020-present Research Scientist at University Medical Center Göttingen, Germany

- 1. Employed under the project "Learning quantitative imaging biomarkers from MRI raw data," funded by the Lower Saxony Ministry of Science and Culture.
- 2. Develop and implement machine learning models for large-scale data analysis for MR application.
- 3. Collaborate with cross-disciplinary teams from clinicians at UMG and computation teams from Gesellschaft für wissenschaftliche Datenverarbeitung mbH Göttingen (GWDG).
- 4. Publish multiple papers in journals and conferences and tutor students in their research projects.

09/2017–11/2019 Research Assistant at LKS Faculty of Medicine, University of Hong Kong

- 1. Improved MR Fingerprinting by incorporating physics information into numerical optimization technique via MR signal simulation.
- 2. Applied Bayesian estimation technique to the accelerated MRI reconstruction by incorporating MR raw signal into the prior knowledge learned by generative models.
- 3. Contributed to publications in leading journals and conferences in the field of medical imaging.

Projects

Autoregressive image diffusion: generation of image sequence and its application in MRI

2023,2024

- 1. Combined the autoregressive model with diffusion model to generate sequentially coherent images.
- 2. Applied it to fast MRI reconstruction, which outperformed standard diffusion model and reduced hallucinations in various MRI reconstruction tasks.

Train generative priors magnitude-only images using phase augmentation for MRI

2022,2023

- 1. Implemented workflow to synthesize complex-valued images for training robust and generic priors.
- 2. Performed distributed training on HPC across multiple GPU-nodes by data parallelism (~1mil images).

Bayesian MRI reconstruction with joint uncertainty estimation using diffusion models 2021, 202

- 1. Presented Bayesian framework for simulating images from posterior probability in the setting of MRI.
- 2. Performed statistic analysis on the samples to evaluate the trustworthiness of the reconstruction.

Deploy generative image priors for image reconstruction using BART

2020, 2021

- 1. Integrated deep learning models into BART (a MRI reconstruction toolbox) using Tensorflow C API.
- 2. Developed a command line tool to convert models implemented with Tensorflow/Pytorch/JAX and deploy them using TensorRT as backend for inference.

Technical Skills

Open source projects: git: \$\mathcal{V}\$ spreco, \$\mathcal{V}\$ image priors, \$\mathcal{V}\$ bart-trt, \$\mathcal{V}\$ c++/c-trt

Development environment: VS Code + Shell + Git on Debian, HPC

Use often: Python, PyTorch, TensorFlow, C, JAX, TensorRT

Use less often: C++, Matlab, R

Other tools: Later Text, PyPI, SLURM, Docker, Pulse Sequence Programming

Academic Records

Education

10/2020-11/2023PhD in Computer Science, University of Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany09/2017-10/2019M.Phil in Radiology, The University of Hong Kong, HKSAR, China09/2013-07/2017B. Eng in Biomedical Engineering, Xi'an Jiaotong University, Xi'an, China

Thesis

Award & Honor

2023	PhD Graduated with Magna cum Laude, University of Göttingen
2017	Postgraduate Scholarship awarded by The University of Hong Kong
2017	Outstanding Graduate of Class 2017 awarded by Xi'an Jiaotong University
2015	National Encouragement Scholarship awarded by Xi'an Jiaotong University
2015	Meritorious Winner in American Mathematical Contest in Modeling (MCM)

Papers

- [1] **G. Luo**, S. Huang, M. Uecker. *Autoregressive Image Diffusion: Generating Image Sequence and Application in MRI*, arXiv:2405.14327
- [2] S. Huang, **G. Luo***, X. Wang, et al. *Noise Level Adaptive Diffusion Model for Robust Reconstruction of Accelerated MRI*, arXiv:2403.05245 (*equal contribution)
- [3] Z. Wang, **G. Luo**, Y. Li, et al. Using a Deep Learning Prior for Accelerating Hyperpolarized 13C Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopic Imaging on Synthetic Cancer Datasets, MRM 2024
- [4] G. Luo, X. Wang, M. Blumenthal, et al. Generative Image Priors for MRI Reconstruction Trained from Magnitude-Only Images, arXiv:2308.02340
- [5] **G. Luo**, M. Blumenthal, M. Heide, et al. *Bayesian MRI Reconstruction with Joint Uncertainty Estimation Using Diffusion Priors*, MRM 2023.
- [6] M. Blumenthal, G. Luo, M. Schilling, H. C. M. Holme, et al. Deep, deep learning with BART, MRM 2023.
- [7] G. Luo, N. Zhao, W. Jiang, et al. MRI reconstruction using deep Bayesian estimation, MRM 2020.

Proceedings

- [1] **G. Luo**, M. Blumenthal, M. Heide, et al. MRI Reconstruction Via Data-Driven Markov Chains With Joint Uncertainty Estimation: Extended Analysis, Oral Session, ISMRM 2023.
- [2] G. Luo, M. Kuang, P. Cao. Generalized Deep Learning-based Proximal Gradient Descent for MR Reconstruction, Portoroz, Slovenia, AIME 2023.
- [3] **G. Luo**, M. Heide, M. Uecker. *Using data-driven Markov chains for MRI reconstruction with Joint Uncertainty Estimation*, Power Pitch Session, ISMRM 2022.
- [4] M. Blumenthal, **G. Luo**, M. Schilling, et al. *NLINV-Net: Self-Supervised End-2-End Learning for Reconstructing Undersampled Radial Cardiac Real-Time Data*, Oral Session, ISMRM 2022.
- [5] G. Luo, M. Blumenthal, X. Wang, et al. All you need are DICOM images, Poster Session, ISMRM 2022.
- [6] **G. Luo**, X. Wang, V. Roeloffs, et al. Joint estimation of coil sensitivities and image content using a deep image prior, Oral Session, ISMRM 2021.
- [7] G. Luo, P. Cao. MRI Reconstruction Using Deep Bayesian Inference, Oral Session, ISMRM 2020.

Talks

- 09/2023 About *Bayesian MRI reconstruction with joint uncertainty estimation using diffusion priors* at 11th Applied Inverse Problems Conference, Göttingen
- O1/2023 About *Estimate the uncertainty for MRI reconstruction with learned Bayesian models* at Institute for Numerical and Applied Mathematics, University of Göttingen
- 07/2022 About Data Driven Methods for Fast MRI reconstruction at Cardiac MRI Lab, SJTU
- 09/2021 About *Bayesian Image Reconstruction with Learned Prior* at Workshop on MRI Acquisition & Reconstruction, MGH Harvard
- 05/2021 About Using image priors with BART at ISMRM 2021 Software Session on BART

Teaching and Tutoring

- WS 2021 Tutorials for undergraduates and graduates, teaching assistant for a course on deep learning
- WS 2021 Teaching assistant for a course on the application of data science to smart city
- WS 2022 Tutored one master thesis on MRI reconstruction using deep learning
- WS 2023 Tutored one bachelor thesis on MRI reconstruction using diffusion models

Service to the Profession

Reviews for NeurIPS(2024), IEEE TMI, IEEE TCI, Artificial Intelligence in Medicine, ISMRM

Other