Advances in Quantitative MRI: Acquisition, Estimation, and Applications

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ABSTRACT

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We show that it is possible to get approximate solutions to analytically intractable

equations using iterative methods. Thus we show that the author could pass an un-

dergraduate class in numerical analysis. In addition, a unique extension to Brent's

method is proposed that results in slight improvements in convergence.

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Introduction

{c,intro}

Background

 $\{c,bkgrd\}$

MRI Parameter Estimation from Likelihood Models

 $\{c, relax\}$

Optimizing MR Scan Design for Model-Based T_1, T_2 Estimation

{c,scn-ds

MRI Parameter Estimation via Kernel Regression

{c, krr}

Myelin Water Fraction Estimation from Steady-State Sequences

 $\{c, mwf\}$

Steady-State RF Pulse Design

{c,ss-rf}

Future Work

{c, future

APPENDIX A

Coil Data Combination from Multiple Datasets

{a,cc-mul

APPENDIX B

DESS in the Presence of Diffusion

{a,dess-d

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