Exercises in Computer Aided Medical Procedures II

Today you will learn the intensity based registration and its main components, i.e. Similarity Measure, Transform and Optimizer as shown in Fig. 1. You will perform 2D-2D rigid registration. Therefore, for transformation you will first implement translation and rotation. Then, you will implement different cost functions (i.e. similarity measures). Finally, you will combine these components together with on optimizer to optimize for the best registration parameters.

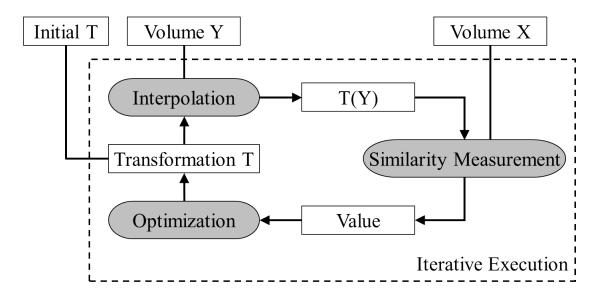


Figure 1: Main components of registration

Exercise 1 (P) MATLAB - Path

Include the directory *07IntensityBasedRegistration* into Matlab's path (File -> Set Path).

Exercise 2 (P) Transformation

Open image_translate.m. Here, you will implement the translation by filling in the code for computing the indices for image. image_rotate.m is given for you.

Exercise 3 (P) Optimization

Open ibRegistration.m. This file is a test script driving the intensity based registration. It loads the data, performs the initialization, calls the optimizer and displays the result of the registration. Do the followings:

- Go to Optimizer: You don't have to do anything here! Understand the call of the optimizer *fminsearch*.
- Go to apply resulting transformation: Fill in the transformation code to apply the final registration transform. *Hint*: Use image_rotate.m and image_translate.m.

Exercise 4 (P) Similarity Measure

Open cost_function.m. This file contains the evaluation of different similarity measures. Optimizer will call this function at each iteration to asses the similarity.

- Go to apply current transformation: Fill in the transformation code to apply the current transform on the moving image. *Hint*: Use image_rotate.m and image_translate.m.
- Go to calculate SSD: Fill in the calculations for the SSD similarity measure, test your code using the test script ibRegistration.m.
- Go to calculate SAD: Fill in the calculations for the SAD similarity measure, test your code using the test script ibRegistration.m.
- Go to calculate NCC: Fill in the calculations for the NCC similarity measure, test your code using the test script ibRegistration.m.
- Go to calculate MI: Fill in the calculations for the MI similarity measure. You have to first implement joint_histogram.m to calculate the joint histogram. Test your code using the test script ibRegistration.m.

Exercise 5 (P) Miscellanous

Create images for which the registration with:

- SSD/SAD does not work, but with NCC it does work
- SSD/SAD and NCC does not work, but with MI it does work

Play around with different images and initial transforms in order to observe how the registration results are changing.

Optionally, you can implement a bilinear interpolation in image_translate.m to obtain a better alignment.