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% DCE Analyses

## 1 - Setup Constants, Filenames

```
close all;
clear all;
%maxenhance = xxx;
%basetime = xx;
Slice = 10;  % Select a slice to work with, e.g. 10

%Defining directories
DCE_dir = 'data/E317/1009/';
rootname = 'E317S1009I';

%Collect the name of all the images
%cd DCE_dir;
cd 'data/E317/1009';
i=1;
ImName = strcat(rootname,num2str(i),'.DCM');
tempres = 10.471;  %temporal resolution in sec (based on data, but use as constant here)
```

### - 2 Get Scan Parameters

```
%Extract some variables from info of the first image
DCEinfo = dicominfo(ImName);
numfiles = DCEinfo.ImagesInAcquisition;
numtimepts = DCEinfo.NumberOfTemporalPositions;
numslices = numfiles / numtimepts;
```

# 3-Load the 4D data - time, slice, image(x,y) - Note: this will take a long time

```
% Open files - data is stored file1=slice1, time 1; file2 = slice2,
time 1 ...
for t = 0:(numtimepts-1)
    for i = 1:numslices
        filenumber = t*numslices + i;
        ImName = strcat(rootname,num2str(filenumber),'.DCM');
        DCMinfo = dicominfo(ImName);
        ImDCE(t+1,i,:,:) = dicomread(DCMinfo);
    end
end
```

# 4 - Calculate baseline intensity, Make Enhancement Images (normalize to baseline), max slope and max peak maps

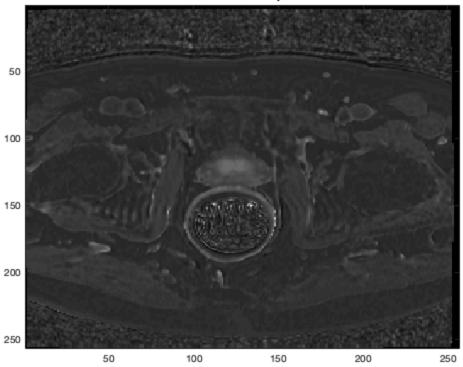
```
%Can just use data from 1 slice
RawSl = squeeze(ImDCE(:,Slice,:,:));
% Initialize accumulation variables and max variables to 0
baseline = zeros(1,256,256);
enhancement = zeros(30, 256, 256);
slope = zeros(30, 256, 256);
% Loop over all slices --- or analyze just for your selected slice
% Find average of baseline points
baseline = mean(RawSl(1:5,:,:));
% Loop over all timepoints
% Calculate Enhancement at each timepoint
enhancement = 100.*(double(RawSl(:,:,:))./baseline);
% Calculate the Slope at each timepoint
for i = 2:30
    slope(i,:,:) = enhancement(i,:,:)-enhancement(i-1,:,:);
end
% Calculate the max peak map for the slice
max_peak_map = max(enhancement);
max_peak_map = squeeze(max_peak_map(:,:,:));
% Calculate the max slope map for the slice
max_slope_map = max(slope);
max_slope_map = squeeze(max_slope_map(:,:,:));
```

# 5 - Display Baseline average image, Enhancement Image at timepoint 30, and Parameter Maps for the selected slice

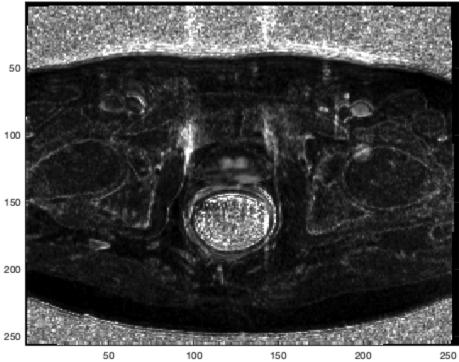
```
close all;
baseline = squeeze(baseline(:,:,:));
figure()
imagesc(baseline); colormap gray
title('Baseline Average')
enhancement30 = squeeze(enhancement(30,:,:));
figure()
imagesc(enhancement30); colormap gray
title('Enhancement at timepoint 30')
figure()
imagesc(max_slope_map, [0 100]); colormap gray
title('Max Slope Map for Slice 10')
figure()
imagesc(max_peak_map); colormap gray
title('Max Peak Map for Slice 10')
```

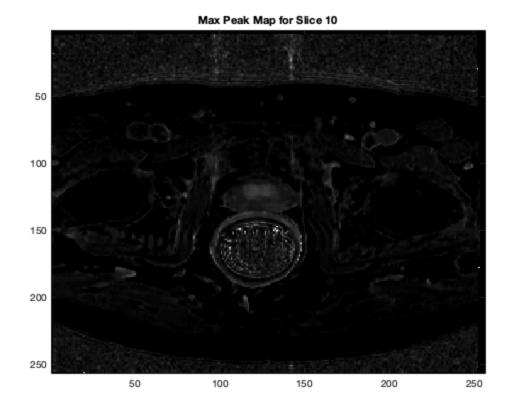
50 100 150 200 250

Enhancement at timepoint 30



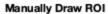
Max Slope Map for Slice 10

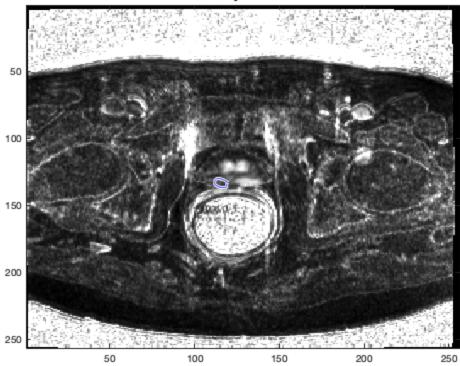




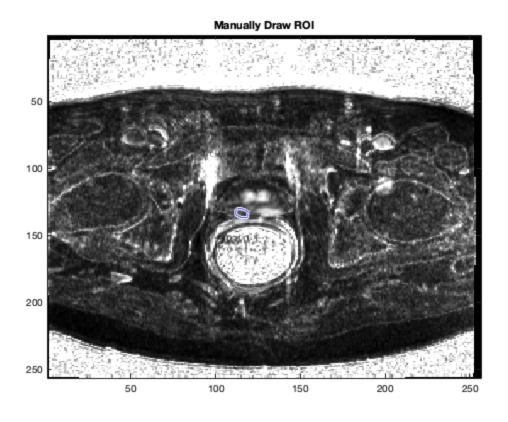
# 6 - Create Right Peripheral Zone ROI & Left Peripheral Zone ROI -- Compare suspicious region to contralateral side

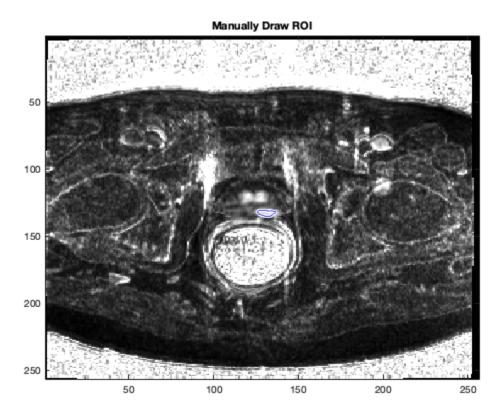
```
close all;
%Select slice of interest to draw Right and Left Peripheral Zone ROIs
%Manually Draw Patient's Right Peripheral Zone (Image Left)
%Display image
figure('name','Max Slope')
imagesc(max_slope_map, [0 50]);
title('Manually Draw ROI');
colormap gray
%Code to draw an ROI
freehandroi=imfreehand(gca);
enhancement_mask_right=createMask(freehandroi);
```





```
%Manually Draw Patient's Left Peripheral Zone (Image Right)
figure('name','Max Slope')
imagesc(max_slope_map,[0 50]);
title('Manually Draw ROI');
colormap gray
%start timing
tic
%Code to draw an ROI
freehandroi=imfreehand(gca);
enhancement_mask_left=createMask(freehandroi);
```





# 7-Calculate & Display ROI stats

Calculate mean, std, median for Left ROI and Right ROI on Parameter Maps

```
max_peak_map(isnan(max_peak_map))=0;
max_enhancement_map(isnan(max_peak_map))=0;
c = 0;
for i = 1:256
    for j = 1:256
        if enhancement_mask_right(i,j) == 1
            c = c+1;
            right_roi_peak(c)=double(enhancement_mask_right(i,j))...
                 .*max_peak_map(i,j);
        end
    end
end
c = 0;
for i = 1:256
    for j = 1:256
        if enhancement_mask_left(i,j) == 1
            c = c+1;
            left_roi_peak(c)=double(enhancement_mask_left(i,j))...
                 .*max_peak_map(i,j);
        end
    end
end
c = 0;
for i = 1:256
    for j = 1:256
        if enhancement_mask_right(i,j) == 1
            c = c+1;
            right_roi_slope(c)=double(enhancement_mask_right(i,j))...
                 .*max_slope_map(i,j);
        end
    end
end
c = 0;
for i = 1:256
    for j = 1:256
        if enhancement_mask_left(i,j) == 1
            c = c+1;
            left_roi_slope(c)=double(enhancement_mask_left(i,j))...
                 .*max_slope_map(i,j);
        end
    end
end
mean_right_peak=nanmean(mean(right_roi_peak))
```

```
mean_left_peak= nanmean(mean(left_roi_peak))
median right peak = nanmedian(median(right roi peak))
median_left_peak = nanmedian(median(left_roi_peak))
std_right_peak = nanstd(std(right_roi_peak))
std_left_peak =nanstd(std(left_roi_peak))
mean_right_slope=nanmean(mean(right_roi_slope))
mean_left_slope= nanmean(mean(left_roi_slope))
median_right_slope = nanmedian(median(right_roi_slope))
median_left_slope = nanmedian(median(left_roi_slope))
std_right_slope = nanstd(std(right_roi_slope))
std_left_slope =nanstd(std(left_roi_slope))
mean_right_peak =
  162.6157
mean_left_peak =
  172.4553
median_right_peak =
  161.0662
median left peak =
  172.2086
std right peak =
     0
std_left_peak =
     0
mean_right_slope =
   16.4568
mean_left_slope =
   43.6284
```

```
median_right_slope =
    17.0161

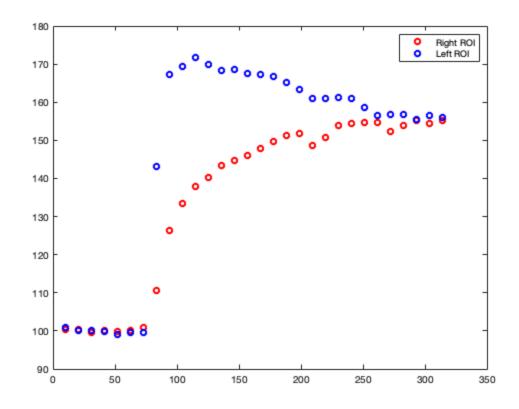
median_left_slope =
    43.6281

std_right_slope =
    0

std_left_slope =
    0
```

## 8- Plot uptake curves vs. time in seconds

```
%Set x-axis values in sec
t = tempres.*[1:30];
%Calculate mean ROI vs. time
mean_roi_right= zeros(1,30);
mean_roi_right=zeros(1,30);
mean_roi_left = zeros(1,30);
for i = 1:30
    enhancement_2d=squeeze(enhancement(i,:,:));
    overlay_right= enhancement_2d(enhancement_mask_right);
    overlay_left= enhancement_2d(enhancement_mask_left);
    mean_roi_right(:,i)=mean(overlay_right);
    mean_roi_left(:,i)=mean(overlay_left);
end
close all
% mean enhancement on y axis, time on x axis
%Plot both curves - see plot, hold on, legend
plot(t, mean_roi_right, 'or')
hold on
plot(t, mean_roi_left,'ob')
legend('Right ROI','Left ROI')
```



# 9 - Calculate Washout Slope for the 2 ROIs as a linear fit to the last half of the timepoints

2.6101

lwo\_slope =

-4.8796

## - Reset directory out of data folder

cd ../../..

### - Answer Questions from Lab Handout

1. Cancer is most likely on patient's left. The left ROI had a steep upslope and a washout while the right enhancement increased more slowly and kept increasing. 2. High grade, because the steeper slope means more permeability and higher peak enhancement means more washout of extracellular extracellular space. 3. a) Not easy from baseline, image doe not have much contrast difference. b) Not from enhancement at timepoint 30 either. c) Not max peak map. d) Max slope map has contrast difference. e) Very clear from the curves. 4. Getting the right brightness and contrast is challenging. You also need to know the appropriate T1 and T2 to get that contrast in DCE in an appropriate time frame. 5. Getting the right contrast is crucial for viewing the cancer. Weighting the max slope image with the T2 to get even better contrast. Measurements could be more accurate with better selection of region pf interest using that contrast.

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