# An Inspiring Title for the MELBA Journal Sample Article

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# Abstract

We develop a learning framework for building deformable templates, which play a funda-1 2 mental role in many image analysis and computational anatomy tasks. Conventional methods for template creation and image alignment to the template have undergone decades of 3 rich technical development. In these frameworks, templates are constructed using an iterative process of template estimation and alignment, which is often computationally very 5 expensive. Due in part to this shortcoming, most methods compute a single template for 6 the entire population of images, or a few templates for specific sub-groups of the data. In this work, we present a probabilistic model and efficient learning strategy that yields 8 either universal or conditional templates, jointly with a neural network that provides efficient alignment of the images to these templates. We demonstrate the usefulness of this 10 method on a variety of domains, with a special focus on neuroimaging. This is particularly 11 useful for clinical applications where a pre-existing template does not exist, or creating a 12 new one with traditional methods can be prohibitively expensive. Our code is available 13 at http://yoururl.com. 14

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### 1. Introduction

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A deformable template is an image that can be geometrically deformed to match images in a dataset, providing a common reference frame. Templates are a powerful tool that enables the analysis of geometric variability. They have been used in computer vision, medical image analysis, graphics, and time series signals.

#### 2. Related Works

Spatial alignment, or registration, between two images is a building block for estimation of
 deformable templates. Alignment usually involves two steps: a global affine transformation,
 and a deformable transformation (as in many optical flow applications).

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# 28 3. Methods

#### $_{29}$ 3.1 Equations

We estimate the deformable template parameters  $\theta_t$  and the deformation fields for every data point using maximum likelihood. Letting  $\mathcal{V} = \{v_i\}$  and  $\mathcal{A} = \{a_i\}$ ,

$$\hat{\theta}_{t}, \hat{\mathcal{V}} = \arg \max_{\theta_{t}, \mathcal{V}} \log p_{\theta_{t}}(\mathcal{V}|\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A}) 
= \arg \max_{\theta_{t}, \mathcal{V}} \log p_{\theta_{t}}(\mathcal{X}|\mathcal{V}; \mathcal{A}) + \log p(\mathcal{V}),$$
(1)

where the first term captures the likelihood of the data and deformations, and the second term controls a prior over the deformation fields.

32 **Proof** Awesome proof.

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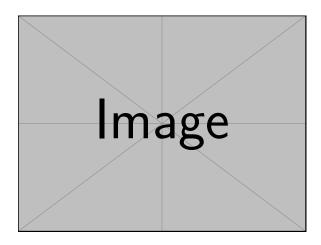


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# 61 Ethical Standards

- 62 The work follows appropriate ethical standards in conducting research and writing the
- 63 manuscript, following all applicable laws and regulations regarding treatment of animals or
- 64 human subjects.

# 65 Conflicts of Interest

The conflicts of interest have not been entered yet.

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# 70 Appendix A. Proof of the central theorem

- 71 In this appendix we prove the central theorem and present additional experimental results.
- 72 Remainder omitted in this sample.

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