

PhD Research Proposal

AI-Driven Anatomical and Response-Adapted Proton Therapy:
Distinguishing Biological from Anatomical Changes for
Personalized Dose Optimization

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Abstract

Adaptive radiotherapy has revolutionized cancer treatment by accounting for interfractional anatomical variations. However, current approaches primarily focus on dose restoration to compensate for anatomical changes, overlooking the fact that many image changes during treatment reflect genuine biological responses—tumor regression or progression, and early normal-tissue effects—which may require dose level adaptation rather than mere dose restoration. This PhD project aims to develop novel AI-based methods to distinguish between anatomical and biological components of daily image changes during proton therapy, and subsequently implement corresponding dose optimization strategies.

The research will progress through four interconnected methodological tasks: (1) synthetic image generation to produce anatomically and biologically plausible training datasets; (2) AI-based response characterization using multimodal features including population anatomy models, quantitative image biomarkers, radiomics, and accumulated dose; (3) dose optimization strategies that execute appropriate dose restoration or adaptation based on the identified change type; and (4) in-silico integration implementing a proof-of-concept pipeline for clinical evaluation.

This work will contribute to the RAPTORplus project’s vision of ”Right-time Adaptive Particle Therapy Of cancer” by enabling treatment personalization through both anatomical and biological adaptation, ultimately improving patient outcomes through more precise and individualized radiation therapy.

Keywords: Adaptive Proton Therapy, Artificial Intelligence, Deep Learning, Radiomics, Dose Optimization, Biological Response, Medical Image Analysis

1 Introduction

1.1 Background and Motivation

Proton therapy represents a major advancement in radiation oncology, offering superior dose conformality compared to conventional photon therapy due to the unique physical properties of charged particles. The Bragg peak phenomenon allows precise dose deposition at the tumor site while sparing surrounding healthy tissues [1]. However, this precision comes with increased sensitivity to anatomical variations—even minor changes in patient anatomy can lead to significant dose perturbations due to the finite range of proton beams.

Adaptive radiotherapy (ART) has emerged as a solution to account for interfractional variations, utilizing daily imaging to modify treatment plans. Current ART implementations primarily focus on *anatomical adaptation*, where the goal is to restore the planned dose distribution when anatomical changes occur. However, this approach overlooks a critical aspect: many image changes during treatment reflect *biological responses*—tumor regression or progression, changes in tissue density due to treatment effects, and early normal-tissue reactions—which may necessitate genuine dose level adaptation rather than simple dose restoration.

The distinction between anatomical and biological changes is crucial for optimizing treatment outcomes:

- **Anatomical changes** (e.g., patient positioning variations, organ filling states) require dose restoration to maintain the original treatment plan.
- **Biological changes** (e.g., tumor shrinkage, treatment response, early toxicity) may require dose escalation, de-escalation, or redistributed to maximize tumor control while minimizing toxicity.

Current clinical practice lacks robust methods to automatically distinguish between these change types, leading to suboptimal adaptive strategies. This PhD project addresses this critical gap by developing AI-based methods to characterize image changes and implement appropriate dose optimization strategies.

1.2 Research Problem Statement

The central research problem is: *How can we automatically distinguish between anatomical and biological components of daily image changes during proton therapy, and how should dose optimization strategies differ based on this characterization?*

This problem encompasses several technical challenges:

1. **Limited training data:** Biological response data with ground truth labels is scarce, necessitating synthetic image generation methods.
2. **Multimodal integration:** Effectively combining anatomical imaging, radiomics, dose accumulation, and population models for response characterization.
3. **Uncertainty quantification:** Distinguishing genuine biological changes from image noise and registration uncertainties.
4. **Clinical translation:** Integrating AI-based methods into clinical treatment planning systems with acceptable computational efficiency.

1.3 Research Objectives

The overarching goal of this PhD project is to develop and validate AI-driven methods for distinguishing anatomical from biological image changes in proton therapy and implementing corresponding adaptive dose optimization strategies. Specific objectives include:

1. **Objective 1:** Develop and validate synthetic image generation methods that produce anatomically and biologically plausible training datasets incorporating realistic tumor response patterns and normal tissue changes.
2. **Objective 2:** Build AI models that distinguish anatomy-driven from biology-driven image changes using multimodal features including population anatomy models, quantitative image biomarkers, radiomics features, segmentation, accumulated dose distributions, and uncertainty measures.
3. **Objective 3:** Design dose optimization algorithms that execute appropriate dose restoration, dose adaptation, or combined strategies based on the identified type of change.
4. **Objective 4:** Implement a proof-of-concept pipeline integrating response categorization and adaptive dose planning within a clinical treatment planning system and evaluate its performance using retrospective patient data.

1.4 Significance and Expected Impact

This research will contribute to the field of adaptive radiotherapy in several ways:

- **Scientific contribution:** First systematic approach to distinguish anatomical from biological changes in adaptive radiotherapy using AI.
- **Clinical impact:** Improved treatment outcomes through personalized dose adaptation strategies.
- **Efficiency gains:** Automated response characterization reducing manual planning burden.
- **RAPTORplus consortium:** Direct contribution to the EU doctoral network's mission of enabling right-time adaptive particle therapy.

2 Literature Review

2.1 Adaptive Proton Therapy: Current State

Adaptive proton therapy has evolved significantly over the past decade. Online adaptive proton therapy (OAPT) represents the state-of-the-art, where treatment plans are modified while the patient is on the treatment couch based on daily imaging [2]. Recent developments include PET-integrated systems that target biological changes rather than purely anatomical variations, advancing the concept of biology-driven adaptation [3].

Key challenges:

- Computational efficiency for real-time adaptation
- Uncertainty in dose calculation due to anatomical variations
- Integration of biological response information
- Clinical workflow disruption

2.2 AI in Radiation Oncology

Artificial intelligence has demonstrated transformative potential across all aspects of the radiotherapy workflow [4]:

1. **Segmentation:** Deep learning-based auto-segmentation achieves near-expert accuracy with dice similarity coefficients > 0.90 for most organs [5].
2. **Dose prediction:** CNNs can predict dose distributions from contours, achieving mean absolute errors $< 2\%$ of prescription dose [6].
3. **Image synthesis:** GANs and diffusion models generate synthetic CT from CBCT or MRI for dose calculation [7].
4. **Outcome prediction:** Radiomics and deep learning predict treatment response and toxicity [8].

2.3 Distinguishing Anatomical vs. Biological Changes

This represents an emerging research area with limited prior work:

Anatomical change prediction: Deep learning methods can predict anatomical changes with DSC > 0.94 for tumors in nasopharyngeal carcinoma [9], but these focus on geometry rather than biology.

Biological response modeling: Traditional approaches use empirical tumor control probability (TCP) and normal tissue complication probability (NTCP) models [10]. Recent work incorporates radiogenomics—linking imaging features to molecular biomarkers—to predict radioresistance [11].

Research gap: No existing methods systematically distinguish between anatomical and biological image changes for adaptive therapy decision-making.

2.4 Synthetic Medical Image Generation

Generating realistic synthetic training data is crucial for medical AI applications where labeled data is scarce:

- **GANs (Generative Adversarial Networks):** Widely used for medical image synthesis, including CT-to-MRI translation, dose prediction, and image denoising [12].
- **Diffusion Models:** Recently emerged as superior alternatives, producing higher quality and more diverse synthetic medical images [13].
- **Deformable Image Registration (DIR):** Combined with biomechanical models to generate plausible anatomical variations [14].

2.5 Radiomics and Image Biomarkers

Radiomics extracts quantitative features from medical images that may reflect underlying tumor biology:

- **Texture features:** Gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM), gray-level run length matrix (GLRLM), and grey-level size zone matrix (GLSZM) features capture tissue heterogeneity [15].
- **Delta-radiomics:** Temporal changes in radiomic features during treatment predict response better than pre-treatment features alone [16].
- **Radiogenomics:** Radiomic features correlate with genomic biomarkers, potentially serving as non-invasive surrogates for molecular profiling [17].

2.6 Dose Optimization in Adaptive Radiotherapy

Dose optimization strategies vary based on the type of adaptation required:

- **Dose restoration:** Re-optimization to achieve original dose objectives on updated anatomy using identical constraints [18].
- **Dose escalation:** Increasing tumor dose when response is suboptimal or when normal tissue sparing allows [19].
- **Dose de-escalation:** Reducing dose to minimize toxicity when early response is favorable [20].
- **AI-guided optimization:** Using reinforcement learning for treatment planning decisions [21].

3 Methodology

This section details the methodological approach for each of the four main research tasks. The methodology follows a structured progression from data generation to clinical integration.

3.1 Task 1: Synthetic Image Generation

3.1.1 Objectives

Develop and validate methods to produce anatomically and biologically plausible synthetic training images that capture both geometric variations and biological response patterns.

3.1.2 Approach

We will implement a multi-method synthetic data generation pipeline combining three complementary approaches:

Method 1: Deformation-Based Anatomical Variation Generate anatomical variations using learned deformation fields from population data.

Mathematical Framework:

Let I_{ref} be a reference CT image. We model anatomical variations as:

$$I_{\text{anat}}(x) = I_{\text{ref}}(\phi_{\text{anat}}(x))$$

where $\phi_{\text{anat}} : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ is a deformation field sampled from a learned statistical model:

$$\phi_{\text{anat}} = \phi_{\text{identity}} + \sum_{i=1}^K w_i \phi_i$$

where $\{\phi_i\}_{i=1}^K$ are principal deformation modes from PCA on population registration data, and $w_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \lambda_i)$ are weights sampled from a Gaussian distribution with variance equal to the eigenvalues λ_i .

Implementation:

```
1 import numpy as np
2 import torch
3 import torch.nn as nn
4 from scipy.ndimage import map_coordinates
5 from skimage.transform import resize
6 import SimpleITK as sitk
7
8 class DeformableAnatomicalGenerator:
9     """
10     Generate anatomical variations using learned deformation fields
11     from population data using PCA-based statistical shape models.
12     """
13
14     def __init__(self, reference_image, n_components=10):
15         """
16         Args:
17             reference_image: Reference CT image (numpy array)
18             n_components: Number of principal components to retain
```

```

19         """
20         self.reference_image = reference_image
21         self.n_components = n_components
22         self.deformation_modes = None
23         self.eigenvalues = None
24
25     def fit_population_model(self, image_list, registration_method='
demons'):
26         """
27         Learn principal deformation modes from population data.
28
29         Args:
30             image_list: List of CT images from different patients
31             registration_method: Registration algorithm ('demons', '
bspline', etc.)
32         """
33         deformation_fields = []
34
35         # Register all images to reference
36         for img in image_list:
37             dvf = self._register_images(
38                 self.reference_image,
39                 img,
40                 method=registration_method
41             )
42             deformation_fields.append(dvf)
43
44         # Stack deformation fields: shape (N_patients, 3, D, H, W)
45         dvf_matrix = np.stack(deformation_fields, axis=0)
46
47         # Flatten spatial dimensions for PCA
48         n_patients, n_dims, *spatial_dims = dvf_matrix.shape
49         dvf_flat = dvf_matrix.reshape(n_patients, -1)
50
51         # Perform PCA
52         mean_dvf = np.mean(dvf_flat, axis=0)
53         centered_dvf = dvf_flat - mean_dvf
54
55         # Compute covariance matrix and eigendecomposition
56         cov_matrix = (centered_dvf.T @ centered_dvf) / (n_patients - 1)
57         eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eigh(cov_matrix)
58
59         # Sort by descending eigenvalues
60         idx = eigenvalues.argsort()[::-1]
61         eigenvalues = eigenvalues[idx]
62         eigenvectors = eigenvectors[:, idx]
63
64         # Keep top k components
65         self.eigenvalues = eigenvalues[:self.n_components]
66         self.deformation_modes = eigenvectors[:, :self.n_components]
67
68         # Reshape modes back to spatial dimensions
69         self.deformation_modes = self.deformation_modes.T.reshape(
70             self.n_components, n_dims, *spatial_dims
71         )
72
73         self.mean_dvf = mean_dvf.reshape(n_dims, *spatial_dims)
74

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75         print(f"Variance explained: {np.sum(self.eigenvalues) / np.sum(
eigenvalues):.2%}")
76
77     def _register_images(self, fixed_img, moving_img, method='demons'):
78         """
79         Register moving image to fixed image using specified method.
80         Returns deformation vector field.
81         """
82         fixed = sitk.GetImageFromArray(fixed_img.astype(np.float32))
83         moving = sitk.GetImageFromArray(moving_img.astype(np.float32))
84
85         if method == 'demons':
86             demons = sitk.DemonsRegistrationFilter()
87             demons.SetNumberOfIterations(50)
88             demons.SetStandardDeviations(1.0)
89
90             displacementField = demons.Execute(fixed, moving)
91
92         elif method == 'bspline':
93             # B-spline registration
94             registration = sitk.ImageRegistrationMethod()
95             registration.SetMetricAsMattesMutualInformation(
numberOfHistogramBins=50)
96             registration.SetOptimizerAsGradientDescentLineSearch(
97                 learningRate=1.0,
98                 numberOfIterations=100
99             )
100
101             transform = sitk.BSplineTransformInitializer(
102                 fixed,
103                 transformDomainMeshSize=[8]*3
104             )
105
106             registration.SetInitialTransform(transform)
107             final_transform = registration.Execute(fixed, moving)
108             displacementField = sitk.TransformToDisplacementField(
109                 final_transform,
110                 sitk.sitkVectorFloat64,
111                 fixed.GetSize()
112             )
113
114             # Convert to numpy array
115             dvf = sitk.GetArrayFromImage(displacementField)
116             # Rearrange dimensions: (D, H, W, 3) -> (3, D, H, W)
117             dvf = np.transpose(dvf, (3, 0, 1, 2))
118
119             return dvf
120
121     def generate_sample(self, variation_scale=1.0):
122         """
123         Generate a synthetic image with anatomical variation.
124
125         Args:
126             variation_scale: Scale factor for variation magnitude
127
128         Returns:
129             Synthetic image with anatomical variation
130         """

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```

131         if self.deformation_modes is None:
132             raise ValueError("Must fit population model first")
133
134         # Sample weights from Gaussian distribution
135         weights = np.random.randn(self.n_components) * np.sqrt(self.
eigenvalues)
136         weights *= variation_scale
137
138         # Construct deformation field
139         dvf = self.mean_dvf.copy()
140         for i in range(self.n_components):
141             dvf += weights[i] * self.deformation_modes[i]
142
143         # Apply deformation to reference image
144         synthetic_image = self._apply_deformation(self.reference_image,
dvf)
145
146         return synthetic_image, dvf
147
148     def _apply_deformation(self, image, dvf):
149         """
150         Apply deformation vector field to image.
151
152         Args:
153             image: Original image (D, H, W)
154             dvf: Deformation vector field (3, D, H, W)
155
156         Returns:
157             Deformed image
158         """
159         # Create coordinate grid
160         dims = image.shape
161         coords = np.meshgrid(
162             np.arange(dims[0]),
163             np.arange(dims[1]),
164             np.arange(dims[2]),
165             indexing='ij'
166         )
167         coords = np.stack(coords, axis=0) # (3, D, H, W)
168
169         # Add deformation
170         deformed_coords = coords + dvf
171
172         # Interpolate
173         deformed_image = map_coordinates(
174             image,
175             [deformed_coords[0].ravel(),
176             deformed_coords[1].ravel(),
177             deformed_coords[2].ravel()],
178             order=3,
179             mode='nearest'
180         ).reshape(dims)
181
182         return deformed_image
183
184 # Example usage
185 if __name__ == "__main__":
186     # Load reference image and population

```

```

187     reference_image = np.load("reference_ct.npy")
188     population_images = [np.load(f"patient_{i}_ct.npy") for i in range
(50)]
189
190     # Create generator
191     generator = DeformableAnatomicalGenerator(
192         reference_image,
193         n_components=15
194     )
195
196     # Fit population model
197     generator.fit_population_model(population_images)
198
199     # Generate synthetic samples
200     synthetic_image, dvf = generator.generate_sample(variation_scale
=1.0)
201
202     print(f"Generated synthetic image with shape: {synthetic_image.shape
}")

```

Listing 1: Deformation-Based Anatomical Variation Generation

Method 2: Diffusion-Based Biological Response Generation Generate tumor response patterns using conditional diffusion models.

Mathematical Framework:

Diffusion models work by gradually adding noise to data, then learning to reverse this process:

$$q(x_t|x_0) = \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{\bar{\alpha}_t}x_0, (1 - \bar{\alpha}_t)I)$$

The reverse process is modeled by a neural network ϵ_θ that predicts the noise:

$$p_\theta(x_{t-1}|x_t, c) = \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1}; \mu_\theta(x_t, t, c), \Sigma_\theta(x_t, t, c))$$

where c represents conditioning information (baseline image, dose, time point).

Implementation:

```

1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3 import torch.nn.functional as F
4 import math
5
6 class SinusoidalPositionEmbeddings(nn.Module):
7     """Positional encoding for timestep in diffusion model."""
8
9     def __init__(self, dim):
10         super().__init__()
11         self.dim = dim
12
13     def forward(self, time):
14         device = time.device
15         half_dim = self.dim // 2
16         embeddings = math.log(10000) / (half_dim - 1)
17         embeddings = torch.exp(torch.arange(half_dim, device=device) * -
embeddings)
18         embeddings = time[:, None] * embeddings[None, :]

```

```

19     embeddings = torch.cat((embeddings.sin(), embeddings.cos()), dim
20     =-1)
21     return embeddings
22
23 class ConditionalUNet3D(nn.Module):
24     """
25     3D U-Net for conditional diffusion model.
26     Conditions on baseline CT, accumulated dose, and treatment time.
27     """
28
29     def __init__(self, in_channels=1, out_channels=1,
30                 time_emb_dim=256, condition_channels=2):
31         super().__init__()
32
33         self.time_emb_dim = time_emb_dim
34
35         # Time embedding
36         self.time_mlp = nn.Sequential(
37             SinusoidalPositionEmbeddings(time_emb_dim),
38             nn.Linear(time_emb_dim, time_emb_dim * 4),
39             nn.GELU(),
40             nn.Linear(time_emb_dim * 4, time_emb_dim),
41         )
42
43         # Encoder (downsampling)
44         self.enc1 = self._make_layer(in_channels + condition_channels,
64, time_emb_dim)
45         self.pool1 = nn.MaxPool3d(2)
46
47         self.enc2 = self._make_layer(64, 128, time_emb_dim)
48         self.pool2 = nn.MaxPool3d(2)
49
50         self.enc3 = self._make_layer(128, 256, time_emb_dim)
51         self.pool3 = nn.MaxPool3d(2)
52
53         self.enc4 = self._make_layer(256, 512, time_emb_dim)
54         self.pool4 = nn.MaxPool3d(2)
55
56         # Bottleneck
57         self.bottleneck = self._make_layer(512, 1024, time_emb_dim)
58
59         # Decoder (upsampling)
60         self.upconv4 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(1024, 512, 2, stride=2)
61         self.dec4 = self._make_layer(1024, 512, time_emb_dim)
62
63         self.upconv3 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(512, 256, 2, stride=2)
64         self.dec3 = self._make_layer(512, 256, time_emb_dim)
65
66         self.upconv2 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(256, 128, 2, stride=2)
67         self.dec2 = self._make_layer(256, 128, time_emb_dim)
68
69         self.upconv1 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(128, 64, 2, stride=2)
70         self.dec1 = self._make_layer(128, 64, time_emb_dim)
71
72         # Output
73         self.out = nn.Conv3d(64, out_channels, 1)
74

```

```

75     def _make_layer(self, in_ch, out_ch, time_emb_dim):
76         """Create a residual block with time embedding."""
77         return ResidualBlock3D(in_ch, out_ch, time_emb_dim)
78
79     def forward(self, x, t, condition):
80         """
81         Args:
82             x: Noisy image at timestep t, shape (B, 1, D, H, W)
83             t: Timestep, shape (B,)
84             condition: Conditioning information (baseline CT + dose),
85                     shape (B, condition_channels, D, H, W)
86         """
87         # Time embedding
88         t_emb = self.time_mlp(t)
89
90         # Concatenate input with condition
91         x = torch.cat([x, condition], dim=1)
92
93         # Encoder
94         e1 = self.enc1(x, t_emb)
95         e2 = self.enc2(self.pool1(e1), t_emb)
96         e3 = self.enc3(self.pool2(e2), t_emb)
97         e4 = self.enc4(self.pool3(e3), t_emb)
98
99         # Bottleneck
100        b = self.bottleneck(self.pool4(e4), t_emb)
101
102        # Decoder with skip connections
103        d4 = self.dec4(torch.cat([self.upconv4(b), e4], dim=1), t_emb)
104        d3 = self.dec3(torch.cat([self.upconv3(d4), e3], dim=1), t_emb)
105        d2 = self.dec2(torch.cat([self.upconv2(d3), e2], dim=1), t_emb)
106        d1 = self.dec1(torch.cat([self.upconv1(d2), e1], dim=1), t_emb)
107
108        # Output
109        return self.out(d1)
110
111
112    class ResidualBlock3D(nn.Module):
113        """Residual block with time embedding for 3D U-Net."""
114
115        def __init__(self, in_channels, out_channels, time_emb_dim):
116            super().__init__()
117
118            self.time_mlp = nn.Sequential(
119                nn.SiLU(),
120                nn.Linear(time_emb_dim, out_channels)
121            )
122
123            self.conv1 = nn.Conv3d(in_channels, out_channels, 3, padding=1)
124            self.conv2 = nn.Conv3d(out_channels, out_channels, 3, padding=1)
125
126            self.norm1 = nn.GroupNorm(8, out_channels)
127            self.norm2 = nn.GroupNorm(8, out_channels)
128
129            self.act = nn.SiLU()
130
131            # Residual connection
132            if in_channels != out_channels:

```

```

133         self.residual = nn.Conv3d(in_channels, out_channels, 1)
134     else:
135         self.residual = nn.Identity()
136
137     def forward(self, x, t_emb):
138         residual = self.residual(x)
139
140         # First convolution
141         h = self.conv1(x)
142         h = self.norm1(h)
143
144         # Add time embedding
145         time_emb = self.time_mlp(t_emb)
146         h = h + time_emb[..., None, None, None]
147
148         h = self.act(h)
149
150         # Second convolution
151         h = self.conv2(h)
152         h = self.norm2(h)
153
154         # Residual connection
155         return self.act(h + residual)
156
157
158 class ConditionalDDPM:
159     """
160     Conditional Denoising Diffusion Probabilistic Model for
161     generating biological response images.
162     """
163
164     def __init__(self, model, timesteps=1000, beta_start=1e-4, beta_end
165 =0.02):
166         self.model = model
167         self.timesteps = timesteps
168
169         # Define beta schedule (linear)
170         self.betas = torch.linspace(beta_start, beta_end, timesteps)
171         self.alphas = 1. - self.betas
172         self.alphas_cumprod = torch.cumprod(self.alphas, dim=0)
173         self.alphas_cumprod_prev = F.pad(self.alphas_cumprod[:-1], (1,
174 0), value=1.0)
175
176         # Calculations for diffusion  $q(x_t | x_{t-1})$ 
177         self.sqrt_alphas_cumprod = torch.sqrt(self.alphas_cumprod)
178         self.sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod = torch.sqrt(1. - self.
179 alphas_cumprod)
180
181         # Calculations for posterior  $q(x_{t-1} | x_t, x_0)$ 
182         self.posterior_variance = (
183             self.betas * (1. - self.alphas_cumprod_prev) / (1. - self.
184 alphas_cumprod)
185         )
186
187     def q_sample(self, x_start, t, noise=None):
188         """
189         Forward diffusion process: add noise to x_start.
190         """

```



```

187     Args:
188         x_start: Original image
189         t: Timestep
190         noise: Noise to add (if None, sample from N(0,1))
191     """
192     if noise is None:
193         noise = torch.randn_like(x_start)
194
195     sqrt_alphas_cumprod_t = self._extract(self.sqrt_alphas_cumprod,
196 t, x_start.shape)
197     sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod_t = self._extract(
198         self.sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod, t, x_start.shape
199     )
200
201     return sqrt_alphas_cumprod_t * x_start +
202 sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod_t * noise
203
204 def p_sample(self, x, t, condition):
205     """
206     Reverse diffusion process: denoise x at timestep t.
207
208     Args:
209         x: Noisy image at timestep t
210         t: Current timestep
211         condition: Conditioning information
212     """
213     # Predict noise
214     pred_noise = self.model(x, t, condition)
215
216     # Get parameters
217     betas_t = self._extract(self.betas, t, x.shape)
218     sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod_t = self._extract(
219         self.sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod, t, x.shape
220     )
221     sqrt_recip_alphas_t = self._extract(torch.sqrt(1.0 / self.alphas
222 ), t, x.shape)
223
224     # Predict x_0
225     model_mean = sqrt_recip_alphas_t * (
226         x - betas_t * pred_noise / sqrt_one_minus_alphas_cumprod_t
227     )
228
229     if t[0] == 0:
230         return model_mean
231     else:
232         posterior_variance_t = self._extract(self.posterior_variance
233 , t, x.shape)
234         noise = torch.randn_like(x)
235         return model_mean + torch.sqrt(posterior_variance_t) * noise
236
237 def sample(self, shape, condition, device='cuda'):
238     """
239     Generate synthetic image by sampling from the model.
240
241     Args:
242         shape: Shape of image to generate
243         condition: Conditioning information (baseline CT + dose)
244         device: Device to run on

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```

241         """
242         # Start from pure noise
243         x = torch.randn(shape, device=device)
244
245         # Iteratively denoise
246         for t in reversed(range(self.timesteps)):
247             t_batch = torch.full((shape[0],), t, device=device, dtype=
torch.long)
248             x = self.p_sample(x, t_batch, condition)
249
250         return x
251
252     def training_loss(self, x_start, condition):
253         """
254         Calculate training loss (simple MSE loss on noise prediction).
255
256         Args:
257             x_start: Ground truth image (e.g., follow-up CT)
258             condition: Conditioning information
259         """
260         batch_size = x_start.shape[0]
261         device = x_start.device
262
263         # Sample random timesteps
264         t = torch.randint(0, self.timesteps, (batch_size,), device=
device).long()
265
266         # Sample noise
267         noise = torch.randn_like(x_start)
268
269         # Add noise to x_start
270         x_noisy = self.q_sample(x_start, t, noise)
271
272         # Predict noise
273         pred_noise = self.model(x_noisy, t, condition)
274
275         # Calculate loss
276         loss = F.mse_loss(pred_noise, noise)
277
278         return loss
279
280     @staticmethod
281     def _extract(a, t, x_shape):
282         """Extract coefficients at specified timesteps."""
283         batch_size = t.shape[0]
284         out = a.gather(-1, t)
285         return out.reshape(batch_size, *((1,) * (len(x_shape) - 1)))
286
287
288 # Training function
289 def train_diffusion_model(model, ddpm, train_loader, epochs=100, lr=1e
-4):
290     """
291     Train conditional diffusion model for biological response generation
292     .
293
294     Args:
295         model: ConditionalUNet3D model

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295     ddpm: ConditionalDDPM instance
296     train_loader: DataLoader with (baseline, followup, dose) pairs
297     epochs: Number of training epochs
298     lr: Learning rate
299     """
300     optimizer = torch.optim.AdamW(model.parameters(), lr=lr)
301     device = next(model.parameters()).device
302
303     for epoch in range(epochs):
304         model.train()
305         total_loss = 0
306
307         for batch_idx, (baseline, followup, dose) in enumerate(
308             train_loader):
309             baseline = baseline.to(device)
310             followup = followup.to(device)
311             dose = dose.to(device)
312
313             # Prepare conditioning (baseline CT + dose)
314             condition = torch.cat([baseline, dose], dim=1)
315
316             # Calculate loss
317             loss = ddpm.training_loss(followup, condition)
318
319             # Optimize
320             optimizer.zero_grad()
321             loss.backward()
322             optimizer.step()
323
324             total_loss += loss.item()
325
326         avg_loss = total_loss / len(train_loader)
327         print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}/{epochs}, Loss: {avg_loss:.4f}")
328
329     return model
330
331 # Example usage
332 if __name__ == "__main__":
333     device = torch.device('cuda' if torch.cuda.is_available() else 'cpu')
334
335     # Initialize model
336     model = ConditionalUNet3D(
337         in_channels=1,
338         out_channels=1,
339         condition_channels=2 # baseline CT + dose
340     ).to(device)
341
342     # Initialize DDPM
343     ddpm = ConditionalDDPM(model, timesteps=1000)
344
345     # Generate synthetic follow-up image
346     batch_size = 1
347     image_shape = (batch_size, 1, 128, 128, 128)
348
349     # Create dummy conditioning data
350     baseline_ct = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 128, 128, 128, device=

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device)
351 dose = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 128, 128, 128, device=device)
352 condition = torch.cat([baseline_ct, dose], dim=1)
353
354 # Sample synthetic image
355 synthetic_followup = ddpm.sample(image_shape, condition, device)
356
357 print(f"Generated synthetic follow-up CT with shape: {
synthetic_followup.shape}")

```

Listing 2: Conditional Diffusion Model for Biological Response

Method 3: GAN-Based Image-to-Image Translation Alternative approach using conditional GANs for paired image synthesis.

```

1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3
4 class Generator3D(nn.Module):
5     """
6     3D U-Net Generator for conditional GAN.
7     Generates follow-up CT from baseline CT and dose distribution.
8     """
9
10    def __init__(self, in_channels=2, out_channels=1, features=64):
11        super().__init__()
12
13        # Encoder
14        self.enc1 = self._block(in_channels, features)
15        self.enc2 = self._block(features, features * 2)
16        self.enc3 = self._block(features * 2, features * 4)
17        self.enc4 = self._block(features * 4, features * 8)
18
19        self.pool = nn.MaxPool3d(kernel_size=2, stride=2)
20
21        # Bottleneck
22        self.bottleneck = self._block(features * 8, features * 16)
23
24        # Decoder
25        self.upconv4 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(features * 16, features * 8,
26    2, 2)
27        self.dec4 = self._block(features * 16, features * 8)
28
29        self.upconv3 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(features * 8, features * 4, 2,
30    2)
31        self.dec3 = self._block(features * 8, features * 4)
32
33        self.upconv2 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(features * 4, features * 2, 2,
34    2)
35        self.dec2 = self._block(features * 4, features * 2)
36
37        self.upconv1 = nn.ConvTranspose3d(features * 2, features, 2, 2)
38        self.dec1 = self._block(features * 2, features)
39
40        self.out = nn.Conv3d(features, out_channels, kernel_size=1)
41
42    def _block(self, in_channels, out_channels):
43        return nn.Sequential(

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41         nn.Conv3d(in_channels, out_channels, 3, padding=1),
42         nn.InstanceNorm3d(out_channels),
43         nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
44         nn.Conv3d(out_channels, out_channels, 3, padding=1),
45         nn.InstanceNorm3d(out_channels),
46         nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True),
47     )
48
49     def forward(self, x):
50         """
51         Args:
52             x: Concatenated baseline CT and dose, shape (B, 2, D, H, W)
53         """
54         # Encoder with skip connections
55         e1 = self.enc1(x)
56         e2 = self.enc2(self.pool(e1))
57         e3 = self.enc3(self.pool(e2))
58         e4 = self.enc4(self.pool(e3))
59
60         # Bottleneck
61         b = self.bottleneck(self.pool(e4))
62
63         # Decoder
64         d4 = self.dec4(torch.cat([self.upconv4(b), e4], dim=1))
65         d3 = self.dec3(torch.cat([self.upconv3(d4), e3], dim=1))
66         d2 = self.dec2(torch.cat([self.upconv2(d3), e2], dim=1))
67         d1 = self.dec1(torch.cat([self.upconv1(d2), e1], dim=1))
68
69         return torch.tanh(self.out(d1))
70
71
72     class Discriminator3D(nn.Module):
73         """
74         3D PatchGAN Discriminator.
75         Classifies whether image pairs are real or generated.
76         """
77
78         def __init__(self, in_channels=3, features=[64, 128, 256, 512]):
79             super().__init__()
80
81             layers = []
82             in_ch = in_channels
83
84             for idx, feature in enumerate(features):
85                 layers.append(
86                     nn.Conv3d(
87                         in_ch,
88                         feature,
89                         kernel_size=4,
90                         stride=2,
91                         padding=1,
92                         bias=False if idx > 0 else True
93                     )
94                 )
95                 if idx > 0:
96                     layers.append(nn.InstanceNorm3d(feature))
97                     layers.append(nn.LeakyReLU(0.2, inplace=True))
98                     in_ch = feature

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99
100     # Final layer
101     layers.append(
102         nn.Conv3d(in_ch, 1, kernel_size=4, stride=1, padding=1)
103     )
104
105     self.model = nn.Sequential(*layers)
106
107     def forward(self, x, y):
108         """
109         Args:
110             x: Condition (baseline CT + dose), shape (B, 2, D, H, W)
111             y: Target/generated follow-up CT, shape (B, 1, D, H, W)
112         """
113         # Concatenate condition and target
114         input_pair = torch.cat([x, y], dim=1)
115         return self.model(input_pair)
116
117
118     def train_gan(generator, discriminator, train_loader,
119                   epochs=100, lr_g=2e-4, lr_d=2e-4, lambda_l1=100):
120         """
121         Train conditional GAN for response image generation.
122
123         Args:
124             generator: Generator network
125             discriminator: Discriminator network
126             train_loader: DataLoader with (baseline, dose, followup)
127             triplets
128             epochs: Number of training epochs
129             lr_g: Generator learning rate
130             lr_d: Discriminator learning rate
131             lambda_l1: Weight for L1 loss
132         """
133         device = next(generator.parameters()).device
134
135         # Optimizers
136         opt_g = torch.optim.Adam(generator.parameters(), lr=lr_g, betas
137                                   =(0.5, 0.999))
138         opt_d = torch.optim.Adam(discriminator.parameters(), lr=lr_d, betas
139                                   =(0.5, 0.999))
140
141         # Loss functions
142         criterion_gan = nn.BCEWithLogitsLoss()
143         criterion_l1 = nn.L1Loss()
144
145         for epoch in range(epochs):
146             generator.train()
147             discriminator.train()
148
149             g_loss_total = 0
150             d_loss_total = 0
151
152             for batch_idx, (baseline, dose, followup_real) in enumerate(
153                 train_loader):
154                 baseline = baseline.to(device)
155                 dose = dose.to(device)
156                 followup_real = followup_real.to(device)

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153
154     # Prepare conditioning
155     condition = torch.cat([baseline, dose], dim=1)
156
157     # =====
158     # Train Discriminator
159     # =====
160     opt_d.zero_grad()
161
162     # Generate fake images
163     followup_fake = generator(condition)
164
165     # Real and fake predictions
166     pred_real = discriminator(condition, followup_real)
167     pred_fake = discriminator(condition, followup_fake.detach())
168
169     # Labels
170     real_labels = torch.ones_like(pred_real)
171     fake_labels = torch.zeros_like(pred_fake)
172
173     # Discriminator loss
174     loss_d_real = criterion_gan(pred_real, real_labels)
175     loss_d_fake = criterion_gan(pred_fake, fake_labels)
176     loss_d = (loss_d_real + loss_d_fake) * 0.5
177
178     loss_d.backward()
179     opt_d.step()
180
181     # =====
182     # Train Generator
183     # =====
184     opt_g.zero_grad()
185
186     # Generate fake images
187     followup_fake = generator(condition)
188
189     # Fool discriminator
190     pred_fake = discriminator(condition, followup_fake)
191     loss_g_gan = criterion_gan(pred_fake, real_labels)
192
193     # L1 loss for image similarity
194     loss_g_l1 = criterion_l1(followup_fake, followup_real)
195
196     # Total generator loss
197     loss_g = loss_g_gan + lambda_l1 * loss_g_l1
198
199     loss_g.backward()
200     opt_g.step()
201
202     g_loss_total += loss_g.item()
203     d_loss_total += loss_d.item()
204
205     avg_g_loss = g_loss_total / len(train_loader)
206     avg_d_loss = d_loss_total / len(train_loader)
207
208     print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}/{epochs}, "
209           f"G_loss: {avg_g_loss:.4f}, D_loss: {avg_d_loss:.4f}")
210

```

```

211     return generator, discriminator
212
213
214 # Example usage
215 if __name__ == "__main__":
216     device = torch.device('cuda' if torch.cuda.is_available() else 'cpu'
217                             )
218
219     # Initialize networks
220     generator = Generator3D(in_channels=2, out_channels=1).to(device)
221     discriminator = Discriminator3D(in_channels=3).to(device)
222
223     print("Generator parameters:", sum(p.numel() for p in generator.
parameters()))
    print("Discriminator parameters:", sum(p.numel() for p in
discriminator.parameters()))

```

Listing 3: Conditional GAN for Response Image Generation

3.1.3 Validation Strategy

Validate synthetic images using:

1. **Visual Turing Test:** Expert radiation oncologists assess realism.
2. **Quantitative metrics:**
 - Structural Similarity Index (SSIM)
 - Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR)
 - Fréchet Inception Distance (FID) adapted for medical images
3. **Physical plausibility:** Verify HU value distributions, anatomical constraints
4. **Downstream task performance:** Train response classifier on synthetic data, test on real data

3.2 Task 2: AI-Based Response Characterization

3.2.1 Objectives

Build models that distinguish anatomy-driven from biology-driven image changes using multimodal features.

3.2.2 Feature Engineering

We will extract and integrate multiple feature modalities:

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import SimpleITK as sitk
3 from radiomics import featureextractor
4 import pandas as pd
5
6 class RadiomicFeatureExtractor:
7     """

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8     Extract radiomic features from CT images and regions of interest.
9     Focuses on features sensitive to biological changes (texture,
10    intensity).
11    """
12
13    def __init__(self, settings=None):
14        if settings is None:
15            # Default PyRadiomics settings
16            settings = {
17                'binWidth': 25,
18                'interpolator': 'sitkBSpline',
19                'resampledPixelSpacing': [1, 1, 1],
20                'normalize': True,
21                'normalizeScale': 100,
22            }
23
24            self.extractor = featureextractor.RadiomicsFeatureExtractor(**
25            settings)
26
27            # Enable feature classes
28            self.extractor.enableImageTypeByName('Original')
29            self.extractor.enableImageTypeByName('Wavelet')
30            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('firstorder')
31            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('glcm')
32            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('glrlm')
33            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('glszm')
34            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('gldm')
35            self.extractor.enableFeatureClassByName('ngtdm')
36
37    def extract_features(self, image, mask):
38        """
39        Extract radiomic features from image within mask region.
40
41        Args:
42            image: SimpleITK image or numpy array
43            mask: SimpleITK mask or numpy array (binary)
44
45        Returns:
46            Dictionary of feature values
47        """
48        # Convert to SimpleITK if necessary
49        if isinstance(image, np.ndarray):
50            image = sitk.GetImageFromArray(image.astype(np.float32))
51        if isinstance(mask, np.ndarray):
52            mask = sitk.GetImageFromArray(mask.astype(np.uint8))
53
54        # Extract features
55        features = self.extractor.execute(image, mask)
56
57        # Filter to only feature values (remove diagnostics)
58        feature_dict = {
59            key: val for key, val in features.items()
60            if not key.startswith('diagnostics_')
61        }
62
63        return feature_dict

```

```

63     def extract_delta_features(self, image_baseline, image_followup,
64                                mask):
65         """
66         Extract delta-radiomic features (temporal changes).
67
68         Args:
69             image_baseline: Baseline CT image
70             image_followup: Follow-up CT image
71             mask: ROI mask
72
73         Returns:
74             Dictionary of delta features (absolute and relative changes)
75         """
76         # Extract features from both timepoints
77         features_baseline = self.extract_features(image_baseline, mask)
78         features_followup = self.extract_features(image_followup, mask)
79
80         # Calculate delta features
81         delta_features = {}
82
83         for key in features_baseline.keys():
84             if key in features_followup:
85                 baseline_val = features_baseline[key]
86                 followup_val = features_followup[key]
87
88                 # Absolute change
89                 delta_features[f'delta_abs_{key}'] = followup_val -
90                 baseline_val
91
92                 # Relative change (%)
93                 if abs(baseline_val) > 1e-6:
94                     delta_features[f'delta_rel_{key}'] = (
95                         (followup_val - baseline_val) / baseline_val *
96                         100
97                     )
98
99         return delta_features
100
101     def extract_multiregion_features(self, image, tumor_mask,
102                                     organ_masks_dict):
103         """
104         Extract features from multiple regions (tumor + organs at risk).
105
106         Args:
107             image: CT image
108             tumor_mask: Tumor segmentation mask
109             organ_masks_dict: Dictionary of organ masks {organ_name:
110                             mask}
111
112         Returns:
113             DataFrame with features for all regions
114         """
115         all_features = {}
116
117         # Tumor features
118         tumor_features = self.extract_features(image, tumor_mask)
119         for key, val in tumor_features.items():
120             all_features[f'tumor_{key}'] = val

```

```

117
118     # Organ features
119     for organ_name, organ_mask in organ_masks_dict.items():
120         organ_features = self.extract_features(image, organ_mask)
121         for key, val in organ_features.items():
122             all_features[f'{organ_name}_{key}'] = val
123
124     return pd.Series(all_features)
125
126
127 class BiologicalResponseFeatures:
128     """
129     Extract features specifically designed to capture biological
130     response.
131     Includes volume changes, density changes, and spatial pattern
132     changes.
133     """
134
135     @staticmethod
136     def volume_change(mask_baseline, mask_followup, voxel_spacing):
137         """
138         Calculate volume change between baseline and follow-up.
139
140         Args:
141             mask_baseline: Baseline segmentation mask
142             mask_followup: Follow-up segmentation mask
143             voxel_spacing: Tuple of (x, y, z) voxel spacing in mm
144
145         Returns:
146             Dictionary with absolute and relative volume changes
147         """
148         voxel_volume = np.prod(voxel_spacing) # mm^3
149
150         vol_baseline = np.sum(mask_baseline) * voxel_volume / 1000 # cm
151         ^3
152         vol_followup = np.sum(mask_followup) * voxel_volume / 1000 # cm
153         ^3
154
155         abs_change = vol_followup - vol_baseline
156         rel_change = (abs_change / vol_baseline * 100) if vol_baseline >
157         0 else 0
158
159         return {
160             'volume_baseline_cm3': vol_baseline,
161             'volume_followup_cm3': vol_followup,
162             'volume_change_abs_cm3': abs_change,
163             'volume_change_rel_percent': rel_change
164         }
165
166     @staticmethod
167     def density_change(image_baseline, image_followup, mask):
168         """
169         Calculate changes in tissue density (HU values).
170
171         Args:
172             image_baseline: Baseline CT image
173             image_followup: Follow-up CT image
174             mask: ROI mask

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```

170
171     Returns:
172         Dictionary with mean, median, and std of HU changes
173     """
174     roi_baseline = image_baseline[mask > 0]
175     roi_followup = image_followup[mask > 0]
176
177     mean_change = np.mean(roi_followup) - np.mean(roi_baseline)
178     median_change = np.median(roi_followup) - np.median(roi_baseline)
179 )
180
181     std_change = np.std(roi_followup) - np.std(roi_baseline)
182
183     return {
184         'density_mean_change_HU': mean_change,
185         'density_median_change_HU': median_change,
186         'density_std_change_HU': std_change,
187         'density_mean_baseline_HU': np.mean(roi_baseline),
188         'density_mean_followup_HU': np.mean(roi_followup),
189     }
190
191 @staticmethod
192 def heterogeneity_change(image_baseline, image_followup, mask):
193     """
194     Calculate changes in tumor heterogeneity.
195
196     Args:
197         image_baseline: Baseline CT image
198         image_followup: Follow-up CT image
199         mask: ROI mask
200
201     Returns:
202         Dictionary with heterogeneity metrics
203     """
204     roi_baseline = image_baseline[mask > 0]
205     roi_followup = image_followup[mask > 0]
206
207     # Coefficient of variation
208     cv_baseline = np.std(roi_baseline) / np.mean(roi_baseline) if np
209     .mean(roi_baseline) != 0 else 0
210     cv_followup = np.std(roi_followup) / np.mean(roi_followup) if np
211     .mean(roi_followup) != 0 else 0
212
213     # Entropy
214     def calculate_entropy(data, bins=50):
215         hist, _ = np.histogram(data, bins=bins, density=True)
216         hist = hist[hist > 0]
217         return -np.sum(hist * np.log2(hist))
218
219     entropy_baseline = calculate_entropy(roi_baseline)
220     entropy_followup = calculate_entropy(roi_followup)
221
222     return {
223         'heterogeneity_cv_baseline': cv_baseline,
224         'heterogeneity_cv_followup': cv_followup,
225         'heterogeneity_cv_change': cv_followup - cv_baseline,
226         'heterogeneity_entropy_baseline': entropy_baseline,
227         'heterogeneity_entropy_followup': entropy_followup,

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224         'heterogeneity_entropy_change': entropy_followup -
entropy_baseline,
225     }
226
227     @staticmethod
228     def spatial_concordance(mask_baseline, mask_followup):
229         """
230         Calculate spatial overlap metrics to distinguish rigid motion
from shape change.
231
232         Args:
233             mask_baseline: Baseline segmentation mask
234             mask_followup: Follow-up segmentation mask (already
registered)
235
236         Returns:
237             Dictionary with overlap metrics
238         """
239         intersection = np.sum((mask_baseline > 0) & (mask_followup > 0))
240         union = np.sum((mask_baseline > 0) | (mask_followup > 0))
241
242         dice = 2 * intersection / (np.sum(mask_baseline > 0) + np.sum(
mask_followup > 0))
243         jaccard = intersection / union if union > 0 else 0
244
245         # Hausdorff distance (simplified - use full implementation for
production)
246         # This would require distance transforms
247
248         return {
249             'spatial_dice': dice,
250             'spatial_jaccard': jaccard,
251             'spatial_overlap_percent': intersection / np.sum(
mask_baseline > 0) * 100
252         }
253
254
255 # Example usage
256 if __name__ == "__main__":
257     # Load images
258     baseline_ct = np.load("baseline_ct.npy")
259     followup_ct = np.load("followup_ct.npy")
260     tumor_mask = np.load("tumor_mask.npy")
261
262     # Extract radiomic features
263     radiomics_extractor = RadiomicFeatureExtractor()
264
265     # Delta-radiomic features
266     delta_features = radiomics_extractor.extract_delta_features(
baseline_ct, followup_ct, tumor_mask
267     )
268
269
270     # Biological response features
271     bio_features = {}
272     bio_features.update(BiologicalResponseFeatures.volume_change(
tumor_mask, tumor_mask, voxel_spacing=(1.0, 1.0, 3.0)
273     ))
274
275     bio_features.update(BiologicalResponseFeatures.density_change(

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276         baseline_ct, followup_ct, tumor_mask
277     ))
278     bio_features.update(BiologicalResponseFeatures.heterogeneity_change(
279         baseline_ct, followup_ct, tumor_mask
280     ))
281
282     print(f"Extracted {len(delta_features)} delta-radiomic features")
283     print(f"Extracted {len(bio_features)} biological response features")

```

Listing 4: Radiomic Feature Extraction

```

1  import torch
2  import torch.nn as nn
3  import torch.nn.functional as F
4
5  class MultimodalResponseClassifier(nn.Module):
6      """
7      Deep learning model to classify image changes as anatomical vs
8      biological.
9      Integrates multiple input modalities:
10     - Baseline CT
11     - Follow-up CT
12     - Dose distribution
13     - Deformation vector field
14     - Radiomic features
15     """
16
17     def __init__(self, num_radiomics=100, dropout=0.3):
18         super().__init__()
19
20         # 3D CNN for image feature extraction
21         self.image_encoder = Image3DEncoder(in_channels=4) # baseline,
22         followup, dose, DVF
23
24         # MLP for radiomic features
25         self.radiomics_encoder = nn.Sequential(
26             nn.Linear(num_radiomics, 256),
27             nn.ReLU(),
28             nn.Dropout(dropout),
29             nn.Linear(256, 128),
30             nn.ReLU(),
31             nn.Dropout(dropout),
32         )
33
34         # Fusion and classification
35         self.fusion = nn.Sequential(
36             nn.Linear(512 + 128, 256), # 512 from image encoder, 128
37             from radiomics
38             nn.ReLU(),
39             nn.Dropout(dropout),
40             nn.Linear(256, 128),
41             nn.ReLU(),
42             nn.Dropout(dropout),
43             nn.Linear(128, 3) # 3 classes: anatomical, biological,
44             mixed
45         )

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42
43     # Uncertainty estimation (evidential deep learning)
44     self.uncertainty_head = nn.Linear(128, 3)
45
46     def forward(self, baseline, followup, dose, dvf, radiomics):
47         """
48         Args:
49             baseline: Baseline CT, shape (B, 1, D, H, W)
50             followup: Follow-up CT, shape (B, 1, D, H, W)
51             dose: Accumulated dose, shape (B, 1, D, H, W)
52             dvf: Deformation vector field magnitude, shape (B, 1, D, H,
53             W)
54             radiomics: Radiomic features, shape (B, num_radiomics)
55
56         Returns:
57             logits: Classification logits, shape (B, 3)
58             uncertainty: Uncertainty estimate, shape (B, 3)
59         """
60         # Concatenate imaging inputs
61         image_input = torch.cat([baseline, followup, dose, dvf], dim=1)
62
63         # Extract image features
64         image_features = self.image_encoder(image_input)
65
66         # Extract radiomic features
67         radio_features = self.radiomics_encoder(radiomics)
68
69         # Fuse features
70         combined = torch.cat([image_features, radio_features], dim=1)
71
72         # Classification
73         logits = self.fusion(combined)
74
75         # Uncertainty estimation
76         uncertainty = F.softplus(self.uncertainty_head(combined))
77
78         return logits, uncertainty
79
80 class Image3DEncoder(nn.Module):
81     """
82     3D CNN encoder for extracting features from multi-channel 3D images.
83     """
84
85     def __init__(self, in_channels=4):
86         super().__init__()
87
88         self.conv1 = self._conv_block(in_channels, 32)
89         self.conv2 = self._conv_block(32, 64)
90         self.conv3 = self._conv_block(64, 128)
91         self.conv4 = self._conv_block(128, 256)
92         self.conv5 = self._conv_block(256, 512)
93
94         self.pool = nn.MaxPool3d(2)
95         self.adaptive_pool = nn.AdaptiveAvgPool3d(1)
96
97     def _conv_block(self, in_ch, out_ch):
98         return nn.Sequential(

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99         nn.Conv3d(in_ch, out_ch, 3, padding=1),
100         nn.BatchNorm3d(out_ch),
101         nn.ReLU(inplace=True),
102         nn.Conv3d(out_ch, out_ch, 3, padding=1),
103         nn.BatchNorm3d(out_ch),
104         nn.ReLU(inplace=True),
105     )
106
107     def forward(self, x):
108         x1 = self.conv1(x)
109         x2 = self.conv2(self.pool(x1))
110         x3 = self.conv3(self.pool(x2))
111         x4 = self.conv4(self.pool(x3))
112         x5 = self.conv5(self.pool(x4))
113
114         # Global average pooling
115         x_pooled = self.adaptive_pool(x5)
116         x_flat = x_pooled.view(x_pooled.size(0), -1)
117
118         return x_flat
119
120
121 class EvidentialLoss(nn.Module):
122     """
123     Evidential deep learning loss for uncertainty-aware classification.
124     Based on: Sensoy et al., "Evidential Deep Learning to Quantify
125     Classification Uncertainty"
126     """
127
128     def __init__(self, num_classes=3, lambda_reg=0.01):
129         super().__init__()
130         self.num_classes = num_classes
131         self.lambda_reg = lambda_reg
132
133     def forward(self, evidence, target):
134         """
135         Args:
136             evidence: Evidence values from model, shape (B, num_classes)
137             target: Ground truth labels, shape (B,)
138
139         Returns:
140             loss: Total loss (classification + uncertainty
141             regularization)
142         """
143         # Convert to Dirichlet parameters
144         alpha = evidence + 1
145         S = torch.sum(alpha, dim=1, keepdim=True)
146
147         # Expected probability
148         prob = alpha / S
149
150         # One-hot encode targets
151         target_one_hot = F.one_hot(target, self.num_classes).float()
152
153         # Classification loss (cross-entropy with Dirichlet)
154         A = torch.sum(target_one_hot * (torch.digamma(S) - torch.digamma(alpha)), dim=1)

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154         # KL divergence regularization
155         alpha_tilde = target_one_hot + (1 - target_one_hot) * alpha
156         S_tilde = torch.sum(alpha_tilde, dim=1, keepdim=True)
157
158         kl_div = torch.lgamma(S_tilde) - torch.sum(torch.lgamma(
159             alpha_tilde), dim=1) + \
160             torch.sum((alpha_tilde - 1) * (torch.digamma(
161                 alpha_tilde) - torch.digamma(S_tilde))), dim=1)
162
163         loss = torch.mean(A + self.lambda_reg * kl_div)
164
165         return loss
166
167 def train_response_classifier(model, train_loader, val_loader,
168                             epochs=100, lr=1e-4):
169     """
170     Train multimodal response classifier with uncertainty quantification
171     .
172     Args:
173     model: MultimodalResponseClassifier model
174     train_loader: Training data loader
175     val_loader: Validation data loader
176     epochs: Number of training epochs
177     lr: Learning rate
178     """
179     device = next(model.parameters()).device
180     optimizer = torch.optim.AdamW(model.parameters(), lr=lr,
181     weight_decay=1e-5)
182     scheduler = torch.optim.lr_scheduler.CosineAnnealingLR(optimizer,
183     epochs)
184     criterion = EvidentialLoss(num_classes=3)
185
186     best_val_acc = 0.0
187
188     for epoch in range(epochs):
189         # Training
190         model.train()
191         train_loss = 0
192         train_correct = 0
193         train_total = 0
194
195         for batch in train_loader:
196             baseline = batch['baseline'].to(device)
197             followup = batch['followup'].to(device)
198             dose = batch['dose'].to(device)
199             dvf = batch['dvf'].to(device)
200             radiomics = batch['radiomics'].to(device)
201             labels = batch['label'].to(device)
202
203             # Forward pass
204             logits, uncertainty = model(baseline, followup, dose, dvf,
205             radiomics)
206
207             # Loss
208             loss = criterion(uncertainty, labels)

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206         # Backward pass
207         optimizer.zero_grad()
208         loss.backward()
209         torch.nn.utils.clip_grad_norm_(model.parameters(), 1.0)
210         optimizer.step()
211
212         # Metrics
213         train_loss += loss.item()
214         predictions = torch.argmax(logits, dim=1)
215         train_correct += (predictions == labels).sum().item()
216         train_total += labels.size(0)
217
218     # Validation
219     model.eval()
220     val_loss = 0
221     val_correct = 0
222     val_total = 0
223
224     with torch.no_grad():
225         for batch in val_loader:
226             baseline = batch['baseline'].to(device)
227             followup = batch['followup'].to(device)
228             dose = batch['dose'].to(device)
229             dvf = batch['dvf'].to(device)
230             radiomics = batch['radiomics'].to(device)
231             labels = batch['label'].to(device)
232
233             logits, uncertainty = model(baseline, followup, dose,
234 dvf, radiomics)
235             loss = criterion(uncertainty, labels)
236
237             val_loss += loss.item()
238             predictions = torch.argmax(logits, dim=1)
239             val_correct += (predictions == labels).sum().item()
240             val_total += labels.size(0)
241
242     # Calculate metrics
243     train_acc = train_correct / train_total
244     val_acc = val_correct / val_total
245
246     print(f"Epoch {epoch+1}/{epochs}, "
247           f"Train Loss: {train_loss/len(train_loader):.4f}, "
248           f"Train Acc: {train_acc:.4f}, "
249           f"Val Loss: {val_loss/len(val_loader):.4f}, "
250           f"Val Acc: {val_acc:.4f}")
251
252     # Save best model
253     if val_acc > best_val_acc:
254         best_val_acc = val_acc
255         torch.save(model.state_dict(), 'best_response_classifier.pth
256 ')
257
258     scheduler.step()
259
260     print(f"Best validation accuracy: {best_val_acc:.4f}")
261
262     return model

```

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262
263 # Example usage
264 if __name__ == "__main__":
265     device = torch.device('cuda' if torch.cuda.is_available() else 'cpu'
266                             )
267
268     # Initialize model
269     model = MultimodalResponseClassifier(num_radiomics=100).to(device)
270
271     print(f"Model parameters: {sum(p.numel() for p in model.parameters())
272           },}")
273
274     # Test forward pass
275     batch_size = 2
276     baseline = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 64, 64, 64, device=device)
277     followup = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 64, 64, 64, device=device)
278     dose = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 64, 64, 64, device=device)
279     dvf = torch.randn(batch_size, 1, 64, 64, 64, device=device)
280     radiomics = torch.randn(batch_size, 100, device=device)
281
282     logits, uncertainty = model(baseline, followup, dose, dvf, radiomics
283                                )
284
285     print(f"Logits shape: {logits.shape}")
286     print(f"Uncertainty shape: {uncertainty.shape}")

```

Listing 5: Deep Learning Feature Extractor for Response Classification

3.2.3 Population Anatomy Modeling

```

1 import torch
2 import torch.nn as nn
3 from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
4 import numpy as np
5
6 class PopulationAnatomyModel:
7     """
8     Statistical model of expected anatomical variations in a population.
9     Used to distinguish expected vs unexpected (biological) changes.
10    """
11
12    def __init__(self, n_components=20):
13        """
14        Args:
15            n_components: Number of principal components to retain
16        """
17        self.n_components = n_components
18        self.pca = None
19        self.mean_anatomy = None
20        self.anatomy_std = None
21
22    def fit(self, anatomy_features_list):
23        """
24        Fit population model from training data.
25
26        Args:
27            anatomy_features_list: List of anatomy feature vectors

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28             (e.g., organ volumes, positions,
shapes)
29     """
30     # Stack features
31     X = np.stack(anatomy_features_list, axis=0)
32
33     # Store statistics
34     self.mean_anatomy = np.mean(X, axis=0)
35     self.anatomy_std = np.std(X, axis=0)
36
37     # Fit PCA
38     self.pca = PCA(n_components=self.n_components)
39     self.pca.fit(X)
40
41     print(f"Explained variance ratio: {np.sum(self.pca.
explained_variance_ratio_):.2%}")
42
43     def calculate_anatomical_likelihood(self, anatomy_features):
44         """
45         Calculate likelihood of observed anatomy under population model.
46         Low likelihood suggests biological change rather than typical
variation.
47
48         Args:
49             anatomy_features: Feature vector for patient anatomy
50
51         Returns:
52             Log-likelihood under population model
53         """
54         # Project to PC space
55         z = self.pca.transform(anatomy_features.reshape(1, -1))
56
57         # Reconstruct
58         reconstruction = self.pca.inverse_transform(z)
59
60         # Reconstruction error
61         reconstruction_error = np.linalg.norm(anatomy_features -
reconstruction.ravel())
62
63         # Mahalanobis distance in PC space
64         eigenvalues = self.pca.explained_variance_
65         mahal_dist = np.sum((z ** 2) / eigenvalues)
66
67         # Log-likelihood (assuming Gaussian)
68         log_likelihood = -0.5 * mahal_dist - 0.5 * np.sum(np.log(
eigenvalues))
69
70         return {
71             'log_likelihood': log_likelihood,
72             'reconstruction_error': reconstruction_error,
73             'mahalanobis_distance': mahal_dist,
74             'is_outlier': mahal_dist > 3 * self.n_components # Chi-
squared threshold
75         }
76
77     def generate_typical_variation(self):
78         """
79         Generate typical anatomical variation from population model.

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```

80         """
81         # Sample from standard normal in PC space
82         z = np.random.randn(self.n_components) * np.sqrt(self.pca.
explained_variance_)
83
84         # Transform back to feature space
85         anatomy = self.pca.inverse_transform(z.reshape(1, -1))
86
87         return anatomy.ravel()
88
89
90 class GeometricFeatureExtractor:
91     """
92     Extract geometric features from segmentation masks for population
modeling.
93     """
94
95     @staticmethod
96     def extract_features(mask, organ_name):
97         """
98         Extract geometric features from segmentation mask.
99
100         Args:
101             mask: Binary segmentation mask
102             organ_name: Name of organ
103
104         Returns:
105             Dictionary of geometric features
106         """
107         features = {}
108
109         # Volume
110         features[f'{organ_name}_volume'] = np.sum(mask)
111
112         # Centroid
113         coords = np.argwhere(mask > 0)
114         if len(coords) > 0:
115             centroid = np.mean(coords, axis=0)
116             features[f'{organ_name}_centroid_x'] = centroid[0]
117             features[f'{organ_name}_centroid_y'] = centroid[1]
118             features[f'{organ_name}_centroid_z'] = centroid[2]
119
120         # Bounding box
121         bbox_min = np.min(coords, axis=0)
122         bbox_max = np.max(coords, axis=0)
123         bbox_size = bbox_max - bbox_min
124
125         features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_x'] = bbox_size[0]
126         features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_y'] = bbox_size[1]
127         features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_z'] = bbox_size[2]
128
129         # Principal axes (using PCA)
130         coords_centered = coords - centroid
131         cov = np.cov(coords_centered.T)
132         eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eigh(cov)
133
134         # Sort by eigenvalue
135         idx = eigenvalues.argsort()[::-1]

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136         eigenvalues = eigenvalues[idx]
137
138         features[f'{organ_name}_axis1_length'] = np.sqrt(eigenvalues
[0])
139         features[f'{organ_name}_axis2_length'] = np.sqrt(eigenvalues
[1])
140         features[f'{organ_name}_axis3_length'] = np.sqrt(eigenvalues
[2])
141
142     # Shape metrics
143     features[f'{organ_name}_compactness'] = (
144         features[f'{organ_name}_volume'] /
145         (features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_x'] *
146          features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_y'] *
147          features[f'{organ_name}_bbox_z'])
148     )
149
150     return features
151
152     @staticmethod
153     def extract_multiregion_features(masks_dict):
154         """
155         Extract features from multiple regions.
156
157         Args:
158             masks_dict: Dictionary of {organ_name: mask}
159
160         Returns:
161             Combined feature dictionary
162         """
163         all_features = {}
164
165         for organ_name, mask in masks_dict.items():
166             organ_features = GeometricFeatureExtractor.extract_features(
167                 mask, organ_name
168             )
169             all_features.update(organ_features)
170
171     # Add inter-organ relationships
172     if len(masks_dict) > 1:
173         organ_names = list(masks_dict.keys())
174         for i in range(len(organ_names)):
175             for j in range(i+1, len(organ_names)):
176                 organ1 = organ_names[i]
177                 organ2 = organ_names[j]
178
179                 # Distance between centroids
180                 if f'{organ1}_centroid_x' in all_features and \
181                     f'{organ2}_centroid_x' in all_features:
182                     dist = np.sqrt(
183                         (all_features[f'{organ1}_centroid_x'] -
184                          all_features[f'{organ2}_centroid_x'])**2 +
185                         (all_features[f'{organ1}_centroid_y'] -
186                          all_features[f'{organ2}_centroid_y'])**2 +
187                         (all_features[f'{organ1}_centroid_z'] -
188                          all_features[f'{organ2}_centroid_z'])**2
189                     )
190                     all_features[f'distance_{organ1}_{organ2}'] =

```

```

191     dist
192     return all_features
193
194
195 # Example usage
196 if __name__ == "__main__":
197     # Simulate population data
198     n_patients = 100
199     n_features = 50
200
201     # Generate synthetic anatomy features
202     population_features = [
203         np.random.randn(n_features) for _ in range(n_patients)
204     ]
205
206     # Fit population model
207     pop_model = PopulationAnatomyModel(n_components=15)
208     pop_model.fit(population_features)
209
210     # Test new patient
211     new_patient_features = np.random.randn(n_features) * 2 # Larger
212     variation
213
214     likelihood_metrics = pop_model.calculate_anatomical_likelihood(
215         new_patient_features)
216
217     print("Anatomical likelihood metrics:")
218     for key, val in likelihood_metrics.items():
219         print(f" {key}: {val}")
220
221     if likelihood_metrics['is_outlier']:
222         print("-> Suggests biological change rather than typical
223         anatomical variation")
224     else:
225         print("-> Consistent with typical anatomical variation")

```

Listing 6: Population Anatomy Model for Expected Variations

3.3 Task 3: Dose Optimization Strategies

Deep Learning Feature Extraction

3.3.1 Objectives

Design algorithms that execute appropriate dose restoration, dose adaptation, or combined strategies based on identified change type.

3.3.2 Optimization Framework

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import scipy.optimize as opt
3 from dataclasses import dataclass
4 from typing import List, Dict, Tuple
5 import torch

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6
7 @dataclass
8 class OptimizationObjective:
9     """Define optimization objective for dose planning."""
10     structure_name: str
11     objective_type: str # 'min_dose', 'max_dose', 'mean_dose', '
12     dvh_constraint'
13     dose_value: float # Gy
14     volume_fraction: float = None # For DVH constraints
15     priority: int = 1
16     weight: float = 1.0
17
18 class AdaptiveDoseOptimizer:
19     """
20     Adaptive dose optimization engine that selects strategy based on
21     response categorization (anatomical vs biological change).
22     """
23
24     def __init__(self, planning_ct, structures_dict, beam_model):
25         """
26         Args:
27             planning_ct: Planning CT image
28             structures_dict: Dictionary of structure masks
29             beam_model: Proton beam dose calculation model
30         """
31         self.planning_ct = planning_ct
32         self.structures = structures_dict
33         self.beam_model = beam_model
34         self.original_objectives = []
35
36     def set_objectives(self, objectives: List[OptimizationObjective]):
37         """Set dose optimization objectives."""
38         self.original_objectives = objectives
39
40     def optimize_dose_restoration(self, updated_ct, deformation_field):
41         """
42         Dose restoration for anatomical changes.
43         Goal: Restore original dose distribution on updated anatomy.
44
45         Args:
46             updated_ct: Updated CT image for the day
47             deformation_field: Deformation from planning to updated
48             anatomy
49
50         Returns:
51             Optimized spot weights
52         """
53         print("Performing dose restoration optimization...")
54
55         # Warp original objectives to updated anatomy
56         warped_objectives = self._warp_objectives(
57             self.original_objectives,
58             deformation_field
59         )
60
61         # Standard dose optimization with warped objectives
62         spot_weights = self._optimize_spot_weights(

```



```

62         updated_ct,
63         warped_objectives,
64         strategy='restoration'
65     )
66
67     return spot_weights
68
69     def optimize_dose_adaptation(self, updated_ct, response_info):
70         """
71         Dose adaptation for biological changes.
72         Goal: Adapt dose levels based on biological response.
73
74         Args:
75             updated_ct: Updated CT image
76             response_info: Dictionary with response characterization:
77                 - 'tumor_shrinkage': float (%)
78                 - 'tumor_density_change': float (HU)
79                 - 'predicted_response': str ('good', 'poor', '
intermediate')
80                 - 'risk_score': float (0-1)
81
82         Returns:
83             Optimized spot weights with adapted dose levels
84         """
85         print("Performing dose adaptation optimization...")
86
87         # Modify objectives based on response
88         adapted_objectives = self._adapt_objectives(
89             self.original_objectives,
90             response_info
91         )
92
93         # Optimize with adapted objectives
94         spot_weights = self._optimize_spot_weights(
95             updated_ct,
96             adapted_objectives,
97             strategy='adaptation'
98         )
99
100        return spot_weights
101
102        def optimize_combined(self, updated_ct, deformation_field,
response_info):
103            """
104            Combined optimization for mixed anatomical and biological
changes.
105
106            Args:
107                updated_ct: Updated CT image
108                deformation_field: Anatomical deformation
109                response_info: Biological response information
110
111            Returns:
112                Optimized spot weights
113            """
114            print("Performing combined optimization...")
115
116            # Warp objectives for anatomical component

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```

117     warped_objectives = self._warp_objectives(
118         self.original_objectives,
119         deformation_field
120     )
121
122     # Adapt objectives for biological component
123     final_objectives = self._adapt_objectives(
124         warped_objectives,
125         response_info
126     )
127
128     # Optimize
129     spot_weights = self._optimize_spot_weights(
130         updated_ct,
131         final_objectives,
132         strategy='combined'
133     )
134
135     return spot_weights
136
137     def _warp_objectives(self, objectives, deformation_field):
138         """Warp dose objectives according to deformation."""
139         warped_objectives = []
140
141         for obj in objectives:
142             # For structure objectives, warp the structure mask
143             if obj.structure_name in self.structures:
144                 original_mask = self.structures[obj.structure_name]
145                 warped_mask = self._apply_deformation(original_mask,
146 deformation_field)
147
148                 # Create new objective with warped mask
149                 new_obj = OptimizationObjective(
150                     structure_name=obj.structure_name,
151                     objective_type=obj.objective_type,
152                     dose_value=obj.dose_value, # Keep same dose level
153                     volume_fraction=obj.volume_fraction,
154                     priority=obj.priority,
155                     weight=obj.weight
156                 )
157                 warped_objectives.append(new_obj)
158
159         return warped_objectives
160
161     def _adapt_objectives(self, objectives, response_info):
162         """Adapt dose objectives based on biological response."""
163         adapted_objectives = []
164
165         # Response-based dose modification rules
166         if response_info['predicted_response'] == 'poor':
167             # Poor response -> consider dose escalation
168             dose_modifier = 1.1 # 10% escalation
169             print(f" Applying dose escalation: {dose_modifier}x")
170
171             elif response_info['predicted_response'] == 'good':
172                 # Good response -> may allow de-escalation for toxicity
173                 reduction
174                 dose_modifier = 0.95 # 5% de-escalation

```

```

173         print(f"    Applying dose de-escalation: {dose_modifier}x")
174
175     else:
176         # Intermediate response -> maintain current dose
177         dose_modifier = 1.0
178         print(f"    Maintaining current dose levels")
179
180     # Apply modifications
181     for obj in objectives:
182         if 'tumor' in obj.structure_name.lower() or 'gtv' in obj.
structure_name.lower():
183         # Modify tumor objectives
184         new_obj = OptimizationObjective(
185             structure_name=obj.structure_name,
186             objective_type=obj.objective_type,
187             dose_value=obj.dose_value * dose_modifier,
188             volume_fraction=obj.volume_fraction,
189             priority=obj.priority,
190             weight=obj.weight
191         )
192         adapted_objectives.append(new_obj)
193     else:
194         # Keep OAR objectives unchanged (or tighten if dose
escalation)
195         if dose_modifier > 1.0:
196             # If escalating tumor dose, maintain strict OAR
constraints
197             weight_modifier = 1.2
198         else:
199             weight_modifier = 1.0
200
201         new_obj = OptimizationObjective(
202             structure_name=obj.structure_name,
203             objective_type=obj.objective_type,
204             dose_value=obj.dose_value,
205             volume_fraction=obj.volume_fraction,
206             priority=obj.priority,
207             weight=obj.weight * weight_modifier
208         )
209         adapted_objectives.append(new_obj)
210
211     return adapted_objectives
212
213     def _optimize_spot_weights(self, ct_image, objectives, strategy='
restoration'):
214         """
215         Core optimization routine to find optimal spot weights.
216
217         Args:
218             ct_image: CT image for dose calculation
219             objectives: List of optimization objectives
220             strategy: Optimization strategy identifier
221
222         Returns:
223             Optimized spot weights
224         """
225         # Get dose influence matrix from beam model
226         D = self.beam_model.get_dose_influence_matrix(ct_image)

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227     n_spots = D.shape[1]
228     n_voxels = D.shape[0]
229
230     # Initialize spot weights
231     w0 = np.ones(n_spots) * 0.01
232
233     # Define objective function
234     def objective_function(w):
235         """Total objective function to minimize."""
236         dose = D @ w
237         total_cost = 0
238
239         for obj in objectives:
240             structure_mask = self.structures[obj.structure_name]
241             structure_dose = dose[structure_mask.ravel() > 0]
242
243             if obj.objective_type == 'min_dose':
244                 # Penalize dose below target
245                 underdose = np.maximum(0, obj.dose_value -
structure_dose)
246                 cost = obj.weight * np.sum(underdose ** 2)
247
248             elif obj.objective_type == 'max_dose':
249                 # Penalize dose above limit
250                 overdose = np.maximum(0, structure_dose - obj.
dose_value)
251                 cost = obj.weight * np.sum(overdose ** 2)
252
253             elif obj.objective_type == 'mean_dose':
254                 # Penalize deviation from target mean
255                 mean_dose = np.mean(structure_dose)
256                 cost = obj.weight * (mean_dose - obj.dose_value) **
2
257
258             elif obj.objective_type == 'dvh_constraint':
259                 # DVH constraint: V_dose < volume_fraction
260                 n_voxels_above = np.sum(structure_dose > obj.
dose_value)
261                 fraction_above = n_voxels_above / len(structure_dose
)
262                 violation = max(0, fraction_above - obj.
volume_fraction)
263                 cost = obj.weight * violation ** 2 * 1e6 # Large
penalty
264
265                 total_cost += cost
266
267         # Regularization: prefer smooth spot weight distributions
268         regularization = 1e-4 * np.sum(np.diff(w) ** 2)
269         total_cost += regularization
270
271         return total_cost
272
273     # Constraints: non-negative weights
274     bounds = [(0, None) for _ in range(n_spots)]
275
276     # Optimize
277     result = opt.minimize(

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278         objective_function,
279         w0,
280         method='L-BFGS-B',
281         bounds=bounds,
282         options={'maxiter': 500, 'disp': False}
283     )
284
285     optimal_weights = result.x
286
287     print(f" Optimization converged: {result.success}")
288     print(f" Final objective value: {result.fun:.2f}")
289     print(f" Active spots: {np.sum(optimal_weights > 1e-6)}/{
n_spots}")
290
291     return optimal_weights
292
293     def _apply_deformation(self, image, deformation_field):
294         """Apply deformation field to image."""
295         from scipy.ndimage import map_coordinates
296
297         dims = image.shape
298         coords = np.meshgrid(
299             np.arange(dims[0]),
300             np.arange(dims[1]),
301             np.arange(dims[2]),
302             indexing='ij'
303         )
304         coords = np.stack(coords, axis=0)
305
306         deformed_coords = coords + deformation_field
307
308         warped_image = map_coordinates(
309             image,
310             [deformed_coords[0].ravel(),
311              deformed_coords[1].ravel(),
312              deformed_coords[2].ravel()],
313             order=1,
314             mode='nearest'
315         ).reshape(dims)
316
317         return warped_image
318
319
320     class ProtonBeamModel:
321         """
322         Simplified proton beam dose calculation model.
323         In practice, would interface with treatment planning system.
324         """
325
326         def __init__(self, spot_positions, spot_energies):
327             """
328             Args:
329                 spot_positions: Array of spot positions shape (N, 3)
330                 spot_energies: Array of spot energies shape (N,)
331             """
332             self.spot_positions = spot_positions
333             self.spot_energies = spot_energies
334             self.n_spots = len(spot_positions)

```

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335
336 def get_dose_influence_matrix(self, ct_image):
337     """
338     Calculate dose influence matrix D where D[i,j] is the dose
339     deposited in voxel i by spot j with unit weight.
340
341     Args:
342         ct_image: CT image for dose calculation
343
344     Returns:
345         Dose influence matrix, shape (n_voxels, n_spots)
346     """
347     dims = ct_image.shape
348     n_voxels = np.prod(dims)
349
350     # Simplified: use Gaussian spots with range determined by energy
351     # In practice, use Monte Carlo or analytical pencil beam
352     algorithm
353
354     D = np.zeros((n_voxels, self.n_spots))
355
356     # Create voxel coordinates
357     voxel_coords = np.stack(
358         np.meshgrid(
359             np.arange(dims[0]),
360             np.arange(dims[1]),
361             np.arange(dims[2]),
362             indexing='ij'
363         ),
364         axis=-1
365     ).reshape(-1, 3)
366
367     for j, (pos, energy) in enumerate(zip(self.spot_positions, self.
368     spot_energies)):
369         # Simplified Bragg peak model
370         range_cm = 0.03 * energy # Rough estimate
371         sigma_lateral = 0.5 # cm
372         sigma_range = 0.2 # cm
373
374         # Distance from spot
375         lateral_dist = np.linalg.norm(voxel_coords[:, :2] - pos[:2],
376         axis=1)
377         depth_diff = voxel_coords[:, 2] - (pos[2] + range_cm)
378
379         # Gaussian lateral, Bragg peak longitudinal
380         dose = (
381             np.exp(-lateral_dist**2 / (2 * sigma_lateral**2)) *
382             np.exp(-depth_diff**2 / (2 * sigma_range**2)) *
383             (1 + depth_diff / sigma_range) # Asymmetric peak
384         )
385
386         # Normalize
387         dose = dose / np.max(dose) if np.max(dose) > 0 else dose
388
389         D[:, j] = dose
390
391     return D

```

```

390
391 # Example usage
392 if __name__ == "__main__":
393     # Simulate planning CT and structures
394     dims = (100, 100, 80)
395     planning_ct = np.random.randn(*dims) * 50 + 1000 # HU values
396
397     # Structures
398     structures = {
399         'tumor': np.zeros(dims),
400         'spinal_cord': np.zeros(dims),
401         'lung': np.zeros(dims)
402     }
403
404     # Simple geometric structures
405     structures['tumor'][40:60, 40:60, 30:50] = 1
406     structures['spinal_cord'][45:55, 10:20, :] = 1
407     structures['lung'][20:80, 20:80, 10:70] = 1
408
409     # Beam model
410     n_spots = 500
411     spot_positions = np.random.rand(n_spots, 3) * np.array([100, 100,
412 50])
413     spot_energies = np.random.rand(n_spots) * 200 + 50 # MeV
414     beam_model = ProtonBeamModel(spot_positions, spot_energies)
415
416     # Initialize optimizer
417     optimizer = AdaptiveDoseOptimizer(planning_ct, structures,
418 beam_model)
419
420     # Set objectives
421     objectives = [
422         OptimizationObjective('tumor', 'min_dose', 60.0, priority=1,
423 weight=10.0),
424         OptimizationObjective('spinal_cord', 'max_dose', 45.0, priority
425 =1, weight=20.0),
426         OptimizationObjective('lung', 'mean_dose', 20.0, priority=2,
427 weight=5.0),
428     ]
429     optimizer.set_objectives(objectives)
430
431     # Scenario 1: Anatomical change (dose restoration)
432     print("\n=== Scenario 1: Anatomical Change ===")
433     updated_ct_anat = planning_ct.copy()
434     deformation = np.random.randn(3, *dims) * 2 # Small deformation
435
436     weights_restoration = optimizer.optimize_dose_restoration(
437         updated_ct_anat,
438         deformation
439     )
440
441     # Scenario 2: Biological change (dose adaptation)
442     print("\n=== Scenario 2: Biological Change ===")
443     updated_ct_bio = planning_ct.copy()
444     response_info = {
445         'tumor_shrinkage': 25.0,
446         'tumor_density_change': -15.0,
447         'predicted_response': 'poor',

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443         'risk_score': 0.75
444     }
445
446     weights_adaptation = optimizer.optimize_dose_adaptation(
447         updated_ct_bio,
448         response_info
449     )
450
451     # Scenario 3: Combined change
452     print("\n=== Scenario 3: Combined Change ===")
453     weights_combined = optimizer.optimize_combined(
454         updated_ct_anat,
455         deformation,
456         response_info
457     )

```

Listing 7: Adaptive Dose Optimization Framework

3.3.3 Reinforcement Learning for Sequential Adaptation

For handling sequential decisions across multiple fractions:

```

1  import torch
2  import torch.nn as nn
3  import torch.optim as optim
4  import numpy as np
5  from collections import deque
6  import random
7
8  class AdaptiveRTEnvironment:
9      """
10     Reinforcement learning environment for adaptive radiotherapy.
11     State: current anatomy, accumulated dose, response biomarkers
12     Action: dose adaptation strategy (restore, escalate, de-escalate,
13     maintain)
14     Reward: predicted tumor control - normal tissue toxicity
15     """
16
17     def __init__(self, patient_model, total_fractions=30):
18         self.patient_model = patient_model
19         self.total_fractions = total_fractions
20         self.current_fraction = 0
21         self.accumulated_dose = None
22         self.reset()
23
24     def reset(self):
25         """Reset environment to initial state."""
26         self.current_fraction = 0
27         self.accumulated_dose = np.zeros(self.patient_model.
28         anatomy_shape)
29         initial_state = self._get_state()
30         return initial_state
31
32     def step(self, action):
33         """
34         Take action and advance one fraction.
35
36         Args:

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35         action: Integer action code
36             0: Dose restoration (anatomical)
37             1: Dose escalation (biological - poor response)
38             2: Dose de-escalation (biological - good response)
39             3: Maintain current plan
40
41     Returns:
42         next_state: New state after action
43         reward: Immediate reward
44         done: Whether treatment is complete
45         info: Additional information
46     """
47     # Simulate treatment delivery
48     fraction_dose = self.patient_model.get_fraction_dose(action)
49     self.accumulated_dose += fraction_dose
50
51     # Update patient state (anatomy + biology)
52     self.patient_model.update_state(fraction_dose, self.
current_fraction)
53
54     # Calculate reward
55     reward = self._calculate_reward(action)
56
57     # Advance fraction
58     self.current_fraction += 1
59     done = self.current_fraction >= self.total_fractions
60
61     # Get next state
62     next_state = self._get_state()
63
64     info = {
65         'fraction': self.current_fraction,
66         'tumor_control_prob': self.patient_model.get_tcp(),
67         'ntcp': self.patient_model.get_ntcp(),
68     }
69
70     return next_state, reward, done, info
71
72     def _get_state(self):
73         """
74         Get current state representation.
75
76         Returns:
77             State vector combining anatomy, dose, and biomarkers
78         """
79         state = {
80             'anatomy': self.patient_model.get_current_anatomy(),
81             'accumulated_dose': self.accumulated_dose,
82             'fraction_number': self.current_fraction / self.
total_fractions,
83             'tumor_volume': self.patient_model.get_tumor_volume(),
84             'biomarkers': self.patient_model.get_biomarkers(),
85         }
86
87         # Flatten to vector
88         state_vector = np.concatenate([
89             state['anatomy'].ravel(),
90             state['accumulated_dose'].ravel(),

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91         [state['fraction_number']],
92         [state['tumor_volume']],
93         state['biomarkers']
94     ])
95
96     return state_vector
97
98     def _calculate_reward(self, action):
99         """
100         Calculate reward based on predicted outcomes.
101
102         Reward = TCP - 1 *NTCP - 2 *ActionCost
103         """
104         tcp = self.patient_model.get_tcp()
105         ntcp = self.patient_model.get_ntcp()
106
107         # Action costs (replanning burden)
108         action_costs = [0.1, 0.2, 0.15, 0.0] # restore, escalate, de-
escalate, maintain
109         action_cost = action_costs[action]
110
111         # Combined reward
112         reward = tcp - 2.0 * ntcp - 0.1 * action_cost
113
114         return reward
115
116
117 class DQNAgent:
118     """Deep Q-Network agent for adaptive RT decision making."""
119
120     def __init__(self, state_dim, action_dim, hidden_dim=256):
121         self.state_dim = state_dim
122         self.action_dim = action_dim
123
124         # Q-networks
125         self.q_network = self._build_network(hidden_dim)
126         self.target_network = self._build_network(hidden_dim)
127         self.target_network.load_state_dict(self.q_network.state_dict())
128
129         # Training parameters
130         self.optimizer = optim.Adam(self.q_network.parameters(), lr=1e
-4)
131
132         self.memory = deque(maxlen=10000)
133         self.batch_size = 64
134         self.gamma = 0.99
135         self.epsilon = 1.0
136         self.epsilon_decay = 0.995
137         self.epsilon_min = 0.01
138         self.update_target_every = 100
139         self.steps = 0
140
141     def _build_network(self, hidden_dim):
142         """Build Q-network."""
143         return nn.Sequential(
144             nn.Linear(self.state_dim, hidden_dim),
145             nn.ReLU(),
146             nn.Linear(hidden_dim, hidden_dim),
147             nn.ReLU(),

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147         nn.Linear(hidden_dim, hidden_dim),
148         nn.ReLU(),
149         nn.Linear(hidden_dim, self.action_dim)
150     )
151
152     def select_action(self, state, training=True):
153         """Select action using epsilon-greedy policy."""
154         if training and random.random() < self.epsilon:
155             return random.randint(0, self.action_dim - 1)
156         else:
157             with torch.no_grad():
158                 state_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(state).unsqueeze(0)
159                 q_values = self.q_network(state_tensor)
160                 return q_values.argmax().item()
161
162     def store_transition(self, state, action, reward, next_state, done):
163         """Store transition in replay buffer."""
164         self.memory.append((state, action, reward, next_state, done))
165
166     def train(self):
167         """Train Q-network on a batch from replay buffer."""
168         if len(self.memory) < self.batch_size:
169             return
170
171         # Sample batch
172         batch = random.sample(self.memory, self.batch_size)
173         states, actions, rewards, next_states, dones = zip(*batch)
174
175         states = torch.FloatTensor(np.array(states))
176         actions = torch.LongTensor(actions)
177         rewards = torch.FloatTensor(rewards)
178         next_states = torch.FloatTensor(np.array(next_states))
179         dones = torch.FloatTensor(dones)
180
181         # Current Q values
182         current_q = self.q_network(states).gather(1, actions.unsqueeze
(1))
183
184         # Target Q values
185         with torch.no_grad():
186             next_q = self.target_network(next_states).max(1)[0]
187             target_q = rewards + self.gamma * next_q * (1 - dones)
188
189         # Loss
190         loss = nn.MSELoss()(current_q.squeeze(), target_q)
191
192         # Optimize
193         self.optimizer.zero_grad()
194         loss.backward()
195         self.optimizer.step()
196
197         # Update target network
198         self.steps += 1
199         if self.steps % self.update_target_every == 0:
200             self.target_network.load_state_dict(self.q_network.
state_dict())
201
202         # Decay epsilon

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203         if self.epsilon > self.epsilon_min:
204             self.epsilon *= self.epsilon_decay
205
206         return loss.item()
207
208
209 def train_rl_agent(env, agent, num_episodes=1000):
210     """
211     Train RL agent for adaptive RT decision making.
212
213     Args:
214         env: AdaptiveRTEnvironment
215         agent: DQNAgent
216         num_episodes: Number of training episodes (patients)
217     """
218     rewards_history = []
219
220     for episode in range(num_episodes):
221         state = env.reset()
222         episode_reward = 0
223         done = False
224
225         while not done:
226             # Select and perform action
227             action = agent.select_action(state, training=True)
228             next_state, reward, done, info = env.step(action)
229
230             # Store transition
231             agent.store_transition(state, action, reward, next_state,
done)
232
233             # Train
234             loss = agent.train()
235
236             episode_reward += reward
237             state = next_state
238
239             rewards_history.append(episode_reward)
240
241         if episode % 10 == 0:
242             avg_reward = np.mean(rewards_history[-10:])
243             print(f"Episode {episode}, Avg Reward: {avg_reward:.3f}, "
244                 f"Epsilon: {agent.epsilon:.3f}, "
245                 f"TCP: {info['tumor_control_prob']:.3f}, "
246                 f"NTCP: {info['ntcp']:.3f}")
247
248     return agent, rewards_history
249
250
251 # Placeholder patient model (would be replaced with real biological
model)
252 class PatientModel:
253     """Simplified patient model for RL environment."""
254
255     def __init__(self):
256         self.anatomy_shape = (50, 50, 40)
257         self.tumor_volume_initial = 100.0
258         self.tumor_volume = self.tumor_volume_initial

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259     self.alpha_beta_ratio = 10.0
260
261     def get_current_anatomy(self):
262         return np.random.randn(*self.anatomy_shape) * 0.1
263
264     def get_tumor_volume(self):
265         return self.tumor_volume
266
267     def get_biomarkers(self):
268         return np.random.randn(10)
269
270     def get_fraction_dose(self, action):
271         base_dose = 2.0 # Gy per fraction
272         if action == 1: # Escalation
273             dose_level = base_dose * 1.1
274         elif action == 2: # De-escalation
275             dose_level = base_dose * 0.9
276         else:
277             dose_level = base_dose
278
279         dose_map = np.random.rand(*self.anatomy_shape) * dose_level
280         return dose_map
281
282     def update_state(self, dose, fraction):
283         # Simulate tumor regression
284         regression_rate = 0.02
285         self.tumor_volume *= (1 - regression_rate)
286
287     def get_tcp(self):
288         # Linear-quadratic model
289         total_dose = 60.0 # Will be calculated from accumulated dose
290         sf = np.exp(-0.3 * total_dose - 0.03 * total_dose**2 / self.
alpha_beta_ratio)
291         tcp = 1 - np.exp(-np.log(self.tumor_volume / 1e6) * (1 - sf))
292         return max(0, min(1, tcp))
293
294     def get_ntcp(self):
295         return 0.1 # Simplified
296
297
298 # Example usage
299 if __name__ == "__main__":
300     # Initialize environment and agent
301     patient_model = PatientModel()
302     env = AdaptiveRTEnvironment(patient_model)
303
304     state_dim = len(env.reset())
305     action_dim = 4 # restore, escalate, de-escalate, maintain
306
307     agent = DQNAgent(state_dim, action_dim)
308
309     # Train agent
310     print("Training RL agent for adaptive RT...")
311     trained_agent, rewards = train_rl_agent(env, agent, num_episodes
=100)
312

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313 print(f"\nTraining completed. Final average reward: {np.mean(rewards
[-10:]):.3f}")

```

Listing 8: RL-Based Sequential Adaptation Strategy

3.4 Task 4: In-Silico Integration

3.4.1 Objectives

Implement proof-of-concept pipeline integrating all components and evaluate within clinical treatment planning system.

3.4.2 Complete Pipeline Implementation

```

1 import numpy as np
2 import torch
3 from dataclasses import dataclass
4 from typing import Dict, List, Tuple
5 import logging
6 from pathlib import Path
7 import json
8
9 # Setup logging
10 logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)
11 logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)
12
13
14 @dataclass
15 class PatientData:
16     """Container for patient data."""
17     patient_id: str
18     baseline_ct: np.ndarray
19     baseline_structures: Dict[str, np.ndarray]
20     daily_ct: np.ndarray = None
21     accumulated_dose: np.ndarray = None
22     fraction_number: int = 0
23
24
25 @dataclass
26 class ResponseClassification:
27     """Container for response classification results."""
28     primary_type: str # 'anatomical', 'biological', 'mixed'
29     confidence: float
30     anatomical_score: float
31     biological_score: float
32     uncertainty: float
33     features: Dict
34
35
36 class IntegratedAdaptivePipeline:
37     """
38     Complete integrated pipeline for AI-driven adaptive proton therapy.
39     Combines all four tasks into a cohesive clinical workflow.
40     """
41
42     def __init__(self, models_dir='./models'):

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43     """
44     Initialize pipeline with trained models.
45
46     Args:
47         models_dir: Directory containing trained model weights
48     """
49     self.models_dir = Path(models_dir)
50
51     logger.info("Loading pipeline components...")
52
53     # Load models for each task
54     self.synthetic_generator = self._load_generator()
55     self.response_classifier = self._load_classifier()
56     self.dose_optimizer = None # Initialized per patient
57     self.feature_extractor = RadiomicFeatureExtractor()
58
59     logger.info("Pipeline initialized successfully")
60
61     def _load_generator(self):
62         """Load synthetic image generation model."""
63         # In practice, load from saved weights
64         from Task1 import ConditionalDDPM, ConditionalUNet3D
65
66         model = ConditionalUNet3D()
67         ddpm = ConditionalDDPM(model)
68
69         # Load weights if available
70         model_path = self.models_dir / 'generator.pth'
71         if model_path.exists():
72             model.load_state_dict(torch.load(model_path))
73             logger.info(f"Loaded generator from {model_path}")
74
75         return ddpm
76
77     def _load_classifier(self):
78         """Load response classification model."""
79         from Task2 import MultimodalResponseClassifier
80
81         model = MultimodalResponseClassifier()
82
83         model_path = self.models_dir / 'classifier.pth'
84         if model_path.exists():
85             model.load_state_dict(torch.load(model_path))
86             model.eval()
87             logger.info(f"Loaded classifier from {model_path}")
88
89         return model
90
91     def process_daily_adaptation(self, patient_data: PatientData) ->
Dict:
92         """
93         Main pipeline for daily adaptive decision-making.
94
95         Args:
96             patient_data: PatientData object with baseline and daily
imaging
97
98         Returns:

```

```

99         Dictionary with adaptation decision and optimized plan
100     """
101     logger.info(f"Processing patient {patient_data.patient_id}, "
102               f"fraction {patient_data.fraction_number}")
103
104     results = {}
105
106     # Step 1: Image registration and change detection
107     logger.info("Step 1: Image registration")
108     registration_results = self._register_images(
109         patient_data.baseline_ct,
110         patient_data.daily_ct
111     )
112     results['registration'] = registration_results
113
114     # Step 2: Feature extraction
115     logger.info("Step 2: Feature extraction")
116     features = self._extract_multimodal_features(
117         patient_data,
118         registration_results
119     )
120     results['features'] = features
121
122     # Step 3: Response classification
123     logger.info("Step 3: Response classification")
124     classification = self._classify_response(
125         patient_data,
126         features,
127         registration_results
128     )
129     results['classification'] = classification
130
131     # Step 4: Adaptive strategy selection
132     logger.info("Step 4: Strategy selection and dose optimization")
133     adaptation_decision = self._select_adaptation_strategy(
134         classification)
135     results['adaptation_decision'] = adaptation_decision
136
137     # Step 5: Dose optimization
138     optimized_plan = self._optimize_dose(
139         patient_data,
140         registration_results,
141         adaptation_decision
142     )
143     results['optimized_plan'] = optimized_plan
144
145     # Step 6: Quality assurance
146     logger.info("Step 5: Quality assurance")
147     qa_results = self._perform_qa(
148         patient_data,
149         optimized_plan,
150         classification
151     )
152     results['qa'] = qa_results
153
154     # Step 7: Generate report
155     report = self._generate_report(results)
156     results['report'] = report

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156         logger.info(f"Pipeline completed: {adaptation_decision['strategy'
157         ']]}")
158
159         return results
160
161     def _register_images(self, baseline_ct, daily_ct):
162         """
163         Perform deformable image registration.
164         """
165         import SimpleITK as sitk
166
167         # Convert to SimpleITK
168         fixed = sitk.GetImageFromArray(baseline_ct.astype(np.float32))
169         moving = sitk.GetImageFromArray(daily_ct.astype(np.float32))
170
171         # Registration
172         demons = sitk.DemonsRegistrationFilter()
173         demons.SetNumberOfIterations(50)
174         demons.SetStandardDeviations(1.0)
175
176         displacementField = demons.Execute(fixed, moving)
177
178         # Convert to numpy
179         dvf = sitk.GetArrayFromImage(displacementField)
180         dvf = np.transpose(dvf, (3, 0, 1, 2))
181
182         # Calculate deformation magnitude
183         dvf_magnitude = np.linalg.norm(dvf, axis=0)
184
185         # Warp baseline structures to daily anatomy
186         warped_ct = sitk.GetArrayFromImage(
187             sitk.Resample(moving, fixed, sitk.Transform(),
188                 sitk.sitkLinear, 0.0, moving.GetPixelID())
189         )
190
191         return {
192             'dvf': dvf,
193             'dvf_magnitude': dvf_magnitude,
194             'warped_ct': warped_ct,
195             'mean_deformation_mm': np.mean(dvf_magnitude),
196             'max_deformation_mm': np.max(dvf_magnitude)
197         }
198
199     def _extract_multimodal_features(self, patient_data,
200     registration_results):
201         """
202         Extract comprehensive multimodal features.
203         """
204         features = {}
205
206         # Geometric features
207         tumor_mask = patient_data.baseline_structures.get('tumor')
208         if tumor_mask is not None:
209             geom_features = GeometricFeatureExtractor.extract_features(
210                 tumor_mask, 'tumor'
211             )
212             features['geometric'] = geom_features

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212
213     # Radiomic features (baseline)
214     baseline_radiomics = self.feature_extractor.extract_features(
215         patient_data.baseline_ct,
216         tumor_mask
217     )
218     features['radiomics_baseline'] = baseline_radiomics
219
220     # Delta-radiomic features
221     if patient_data.daily_ct is not None:
222         delta_radiomics = self.feature_extractor.
extract_delta_features(
223             patient_data.baseline_ct,
224             patient_data.daily_ct,
225             tumor_mask
226         )
227         features['radiomics_delta'] = delta_radiomics
228
229     # Biological response features
230     if patient_data.daily_ct is not None:
231         bio_features = {}
232         bio_features.update(BiologicalResponseFeatures.volume_change
(
233             tumor_mask, tumor_mask, (1.0, 1.0, 3.0)
234         ))
235         bio_features.update(BiologicalResponseFeatures.
density_change(
236             patient_data.baseline_ct,
237             patient_data.daily_ct,
238             tumor_mask
239         ))
240         features['biological'] = bio_features
241
242     # Deformation features
243     features['deformation'] = {
244         'mean_dvf': registration_results['mean_deformation_mm'],
245         'max_dvf': registration_results['max_deformation_mm'],
246         'dvf_std': np.std(registration_results['dvf_magnitude']),
247     }
248
249     return features
250
251     def _classify_response(self, patient_data, features,
registration_results):
252         """
253         Classify change type using trained model.
254         """
255         device = torch.device('cuda' if torch.cuda.is_available() else '
cpu')
256
257         # Prepare inputs for classifier
258         baseline_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(
259             patient_data.baseline_ct
260         ).unsqueeze(0).unsqueeze(0).to(device)
261
262         daily_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(
263             patient_data.daily_ct
264         ).unsqueeze(0).unsqueeze(0).to(device)

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265     dose_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(
266         patient_data.accumulated_dose
267     ).unsqueeze(0).unsqueeze(0).to(device)
268
269     dvf_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(
270         registration_results['dvf_magnitude']
271     ).unsqueeze(0).unsqueeze(0).to(device)
272
273
274     # Combine radiomic features
275     radiomics_list = []
276     for key in sorted(features['radiomics_baseline'].keys()):
277         if isinstance(features['radiomics_baseline'][key], (int,
float)):
278             radiomics_list.append(features['radiomics_baseline'][key]
279 ])
280     radiomics_tensor = torch.FloatTensor(radiomics_list).unsqueeze
281 (0).to(device)
282
283     # Classify
284     with torch.no_grad():
285         logits, uncertainty = self.response_classifier(
286             baseline_tensor,
287             daily_tensor,
288             dose_tensor,
289             dvf_tensor,
290             radiomics_tensor
291         )
292
293         probs = torch.softmax(logits, dim=1)
294         pred_class = torch.argmax(probs, dim=1).item()
295         confidence = probs[0, pred_class].item()
296
297     class_names = ['anatomical', 'biological', 'mixed']
298
299     classification = ResponseClassification(
300         primary_type=class_names[pred_class],
301         confidence=confidence,
302         anatomical_score=probs[0, 0].item(),
303         biological_score=probs[0, 1].item(),
304         uncertainty=uncertainty[0].mean().item(),
305         features=features
306     )
307
308     return classification
309
310     def _select_adaptation_strategy(self, classification):
311         """
312         Select appropriate adaptation strategy based on classification.
313         """
314         strategy = {}
315
316         if classification.primary_type == 'anatomical':
317             strategy['strategy'] = 'dose_restoration'
318             strategy['description'] = 'Restore planned dose distribution
on updated anatomy'
319             strategy['requires_replanning'] = True
320             strategy['replan_priority'] = 'medium'

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319
320     elif classification.primary_type == 'biological':
321         if classification.biological_score > 0.7:
322             strategy['strategy'] = 'dose_adaptation'
323             strategy['description'] = 'Adapt dose levels based on
biological response'
324             strategy['requires_replanning'] = True
325             strategy['replan_priority'] = 'high'
326         else:
327             strategy['strategy'] = 'monitor'
328             strategy['description'] = 'Continue monitoring, moderate
biological change'
329             strategy['requires_replanning'] = False
330
331     elif classification.primary_type == 'mixed':
332         strategy['strategy'] = 'combined_adaptation'
333         strategy['description'] = 'Combined anatomical restoration
and biological adaptation'
334         strategy['requires_replanning'] = True
335         strategy['replan_priority'] = 'high'
336
337     strategy['confidence'] = classification.confidence
338     strategy['uncertainty'] = classification.uncertainty
339
340     return strategy
341
342 def _optimize_dose(self, patient_data, registration_results,
adaptation_decision):
343     """
344     Perform dose optimization based on selected strategy.
345     """
346     # Initialize optimizer for this patient
347     from Task3 import AdaptiveDoseOptimizer, OptimizationObjective,
ProtonBeamModel
348
349     # Dummy beam model (would be from TPS)
350     n_spots = 500
351     spot_positions = np.random.rand(n_spots, 3) * np.array(
patient_data.baseline_ct.shape)
352     spot_energies = np.random.rand(n_spots) * 200 + 50
353     beam_model = ProtonBeamModel(spot_positions, spot_energies)
354
355     optimizer = AdaptiveDoseOptimizer(
356         patient_data.baseline_ct,
357         patient_data.baseline_structures,
358         beam_model
359     )
360
361     # Set objectives
362     objectives = [
363         OptimizationObjective('tumor', 'min_dose', 60.0, priority=1,
weight=10.0),
364     ]
365     optimizer.set_objectives(objectives)
366
367     # Optimize based on strategy
368     if adaptation_decision['strategy'] == 'dose_restoration':
369         spot_weights = optimizer.optimize_dose_restoration(

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370         patient_data.daily_ct,
371         registration_results['dvf']
372     )
373
374     elif adaptation_decision['strategy'] == 'dose_adaptation':
375         response_info = {
376             'predicted_response': 'intermediate',
377             'risk_score': 0.5
378         }
379         spot_weights = optimizer.optimize_dose_adaptation(
380             patient_data.daily_ct,
381             response_info
382         )
383
384     elif adaptation_decision['strategy'] == 'combined_adaptation':
385         response_info = {
386             'predicted_response': 'poor',
387             'risk_score': 0.7
388         }
389         spot_weights = optimizer.optimize_combined(
390             patient_data.daily_ct,
391             registration_results['dvf'],
392             response_info
393         )
394     else:
395         # No replanning needed
396         spot_weights = None
397
398     return {
399         'spot_weights': spot_weights,
400         'n_spots': len(spot_weights) if spot_weights is not None
401     }
402     else 0,
403         'active_spots': np.sum(spot_weights > 1e-6) if spot_weights
404     is not None else 0
405 }
406
407 def _perform_qa(self, patient_data, optimized_plan, classification):
408     """
409     Perform quality assurance checks on adapted plan.
410     """
411     qa_results = {
412         'passed': True,
413         'warnings': [],
414         'checks': {}
415     }
416
417     # Check 1: Confidence threshold
418     if classification.confidence < 0.7:
419         qa_results['warnings'].append(
420             f"Low classification confidence: {classification.
421 confidence:.2f}"
422         )
423
424     # Check 2: Uncertainty threshold
425     if classification.uncertainty > 0.5:
426         qa_results['warnings'].append(
427             f"High uncertainty: {classification.uncertainty:.2f}"
428         )

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425
426     # Check 3: Spot weight distribution
427     if optimized_plan['spot_weights'] is not None:
428         max_weight = np.max(optimized_plan['spot_weights'])
429         if max_weight > 10.0:
430             qa_results['warnings'].append(
431                 f"High maximum spot weight: {max_weight:.2f}"
432             )
433
434     qa_results['checks']['classification_confidence'] =
435     classification.confidence > 0.7
436     qa_results['checks']['uncertainty'] = classification.uncertainty
437     < 0.5
438
439     if len(qa_results['warnings']) > 0:
440         qa_results['passed'] = False
441
442     return qa_results
443
444 def _generate_report(self, results):
445     """
446     Generate comprehensive adaptation report.
447     """
448     classification = results['classification']
449     adaptation = results['adaptation_decision']
450     qa = results['qa']
451
452     report = {
453         'timestamp': str(np.datetime64('now')),
454         'summary': {
455             'change_type': classification.primary_type,
456             'confidence': f"{classification.confidence:.1%}",
457             'strategy': adaptation['strategy'],
458             'requires_replanning': adaptation['requires_replanning']
459         },
460         'details': {
461             'anatomical_score': f"{classification.anatomical_score:.1%}",
462             'biological_score': f"{classification.biological_score:.1%}",
463             'uncertainty': f"{classification.uncertainty:.3f}",
464             'mean_deformation': f"{results['registration']['mean_deformation_mm']:.2f} mm",
465         },
466         'qa_status': 'PASSED' if qa['passed'] else 'REVIEW REQUIRED',
467         'qa_warnings': qa['warnings'],
468         'recommendation': adaptation['description']
469     }
470
471     return report
472
473 def clinical_workflow_simulation(patient_list, pipeline, output_dir='./
474     results'):
475     """
476     Simulate clinical workflow for multiple patients.

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475
476     Args:
477         patient_list: List of PatientData objects
478         pipeline: IntegratedAdaptivePipeline instance
479         output_dir: Directory to save results
480     """
481     output_dir = Path(output_dir)
482     output_dir.mkdir(exist_ok=True)
483
484     logger.info(f"Starting clinical workflow simulation for {len(
patient_list)} patients")
485
486     all_results = []
487
488     for patient_data in patient_list:
489         logger.info(f"\n{'='*60}")
490         logger.info(f"Processing {patient_data.patient_id}")
491         logger.info(f"{'='*60}")
492
493         try:
494             # Run pipeline
495             results = pipeline.process_daily_adaptation(patient_data)
496
497             # Save results
498             patient_output = output_dir / patient_data.patient_id
499             patient_output.mkdir(exist_ok=True)
500
501             # Save report
502             report_path = patient_output / f'report_fraction_{
patient_data.fraction_number}.json'
503             with open(report_path, 'w') as f:
504                 json.dump(results['report'], f, indent=2)
505
506             logger.info(f"Report saved to {report_path}")
507             logger.info(f"Result: {results['report']['summary']['
strategy']}")
508
509             all_results.append({
510                 'patient_id': patient_data.patient_id,
511                 'fraction': patient_data.fraction_number,
512                 'strategy': results['adaptation_decision']['strategy'],
513                 'qa_passed': results['qa']['passed']
514             })
515
516         except Exception as e:
517             logger.error(f"Error processing {patient_data.patient_id}: {
str(e)}")
518             continue
519
520         # Summary statistics
521         logger.info(f"\n{'='*60}")
522         logger.info("SUMMARY STATISTICS")
523         logger.info(f"{'='*60}")
524
525     strategies = [r['strategy'] for r in all_results]
526     for strategy in set(strategies):
527         count = strategies.count(strategy)

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528     logger.info(f"{strategy}: {count}/{len(strategies)} ({count/len(
strategies):.1%})")
529
530     qa_passed = sum(r['qa_passed'] for r in all_results)
531     logger.info(f"QA passed: {qa_passed}/{len(all_results)} ({qa_passed/
len(all_results):.1%})")
532
533     return all_results
534
535
536 # Example usage
537 if __name__ == "__main__":
538     # Initialize pipeline
539     pipeline = IntegratedAdaptivePipeline(models_dir='./models')
540
541     # Create dummy patient data
542     patient_data = PatientData(
543         patient_id='PT001',
544         baseline_ct=np.random.randn(100, 100, 80) * 50 + 1000,
545         baseline_structures={
546             'tumor': np.zeros((100, 100, 80)),
547         },
548         daily_ct=np.random.randn(100, 100, 80) * 50 + 1000,
549         accumulated_dose=np.random.rand(100, 100, 80) * 30,
550         fraction_number=15
551     )
552     patient_data.baseline_structures['tumor'][40:60, 40:60, 30:50] = 1
553
554     # Process single patient
555     results = pipeline.process_daily_adaptation(patient_data)
556
557     # Print report
558     print("\n" + "="*60)
559     print("ADAPTATION REPORT")
560     print("="*60)
561     print(json.dumps(results['report'], indent=2))

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Listing 9: Complete In-Silico Pipeline Integration

3.4.3 Pipeline Validation and Evaluation

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1 import numpy as np
2 import pandas as pd
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix, classification_report
5 from scipy import stats
6
7 class PipelineValidator:
8     """
9     Comprehensive validation framework for the integrated pipeline.
10    """
11
12    def __init__(self):
13        self.results = []
14
15    def evaluate_classification_accuracy(self, predictions, ground_truth
):

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16     """
17     Evaluate response classification accuracy.
18
19     Args:
20         predictions: List of predicted class labels
21         ground_truth: List of true class labels
22     """
23     # Confusion matrix
24     cm = confusion_matrix(ground_truth, predictions)
25
26     # Classification report
27     report = classification_report(ground_truth, predictions,
28                                   target_names=['anatomical', '
biological', 'mixed'])
29
30     # Overall accuracy
31     accuracy = np.sum(predictions == ground_truth) / len(
ground_truth)
32
33     return {
34         'accuracy': accuracy,
35         'confusion_matrix': cm,
36         'classification_report': report
37     }
38
39     def evaluate_dose_quality(self, optimized_doses, target_doses,
structures):
40         """
41         Evaluate quality of dose optimization.
42
43         Args:
44             optimized_doses: List of optimized dose distributions
45             target_doses: List of target dose distributions
46             structures: Dictionary of structure masks
47         """
48         metrics = {}
49
50         for struct_name, struct_mask in structures.items():
51             struct_doses_opt = [dose[struct_mask > 0] for dose in
optimized_doses]
52             struct_doses_target = [dose[struct_mask > 0] for dose in
target_doses]
53
54             # Metrics
55             mean_differences = [
56                 np.mean(opt) - np.mean(target)
57                 for opt, target in zip(struct_doses_opt,
struct_doses_target)
58             ]
59
60             dvh_differences = [
61                 self._calculate_dvh_difference(opt, target)
62                 for opt, target in zip(struct_doses_opt,
struct_doses_target)
63             ]
64
65             metrics[struct_name] = {
66                 'mean_dose_diff_gy': np.mean(mean_differences),

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67         'mean_dose_diff_std': np.std(mean_differences),
68         'dvh_diff_mean': np.mean(dvh_differences),
69     }
70
71     return metrics
72
73     def _calculate_dvh_difference(self, dose1, dose2, bins=100):
74         """Calculate difference between two DVH curves."""
75         max_dose = max(np.max(dose1), np.max(dose2))
76         dose_bins = np.linspace(0, max_dose, bins)
77
78         dvh1 = np.array([np.sum(dose1 >= d) / len(dose1) * 100 for d in
dose_bins])
79         dvh2 = np.array([np.sum(dose2 >= d) / len(dose2) * 100 for d in
dose_bins])
80
81         # Mean absolute difference
82         return np.mean(np.abs(dvh1 - dvh2))
83
84     def evaluate_clinical_outcomes(self, adapted_plans, original_plans):
85         """
86         Evaluate predicted clinical outcomes.
87
88         Args:
89             adapted_plans: List of adapted treatment plans
90             original_plans: List of original treatment plans
91         """
92         tcp_improvements = []
93         ntcp_changes = []
94
95         for adapted, original in zip(adapted_plans, original_plans):
96             # Calculate TCP (simplified)
97             tcp_adapted = self._calculate_tcp(adapted['tumor_dose'])
98             tcp_original = self._calculate_tcp(original['tumor_dose'])
99             tcp_improvements.append(tcp_adapted - tcp_original)
100
101             # Calculate NTCP (simplified)
102             ntcp_adapted = self._calculate_ntcp(adapted['oar_dose'])
103             ntcp_original = self._calculate_ntcp(original['oar_dose'])
104             ntcp_changes.append(ntcp_adapted - ntcp_original)
105
106         return {
107             'tcp_improvement_mean': np.mean(tcp_improvements),
108             'tcp_improvement_std': np.std(tcp_improvements),
109             'ntcp_change_mean': np.mean(ntcp_changes),
110             'ntcp_change_std': np.std(ntcp_changes),
111             'therapeutic_ratio_improvement': (
112                 np.mean(tcp_improvements) - np.mean(ntcp_changes)
113             )
114         }
115
116     def _calculate_tcp(self, tumor_dose, alpha=0.3, beta=0.03):
117         """Calculate tumor control probability (simplified LQ model)."""
118         mean_dose = np.mean(tumor_dose)
119         sf = np.exp(-alpha * mean_dose - beta * mean_dose**2)
120         tcp = 1 - sf
121         return tcp
122

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123     def _calculate_ntcp(self, oar_dose, d50=30, gamma=4):
124         """Calculate normal tissue complication probability (simplified)
125         ."""
126         mean_dose = np.mean(oar_dose)
127         ntcp = 1 / (1 + (d50/mean_dose)**(4*gamma))
128         return ntcp
129
130     def evaluate_computational_efficiency(self, processing_times):
131         """
132         Evaluate computational efficiency of pipeline.
133
134         Args:
135             processing_times: Dictionary of processing times for each
136             step
137         """
138         metrics = {
139             'total_time_mean_s': np.mean([sum(t.values()) for t in
140             processing_times]),
141             'total_time_std_s': np.std([sum(t.values()) for t in
142             processing_times]),
143         }
144
145         # Per-step statistics
146         steps = processing_times[0].keys()
147         for step in steps:
148             step_times = [t[step] for t in processing_times]
149             metrics[f'{step}_mean_s'] = np.mean(step_times)
150             metrics[f'{step}_std_s'] = np.std(step_times)
151
152         return metrics
153
154     def generate_validation_report(self, all_metrics):
155         """
156         Generate comprehensive validation report.
157
158         Args:
159             all_metrics: Dictionary containing all evaluation metrics
160         """
161         report = []
162         report.append("="*80)
163         report.append("PIPELINE VALIDATION REPORT")
164         report.append("="*80)
165         report.append("")
166
167         # Classification performance
168         report.append("1. RESPONSE CLASSIFICATION PERFORMANCE")
169         report.append("-" * 80)
170         class_metrics = all_metrics['classification']
171         report.append(f"Overall Accuracy: {class_metrics['accuracy']:.1%}")
172         report.append("\nConfusion Matrix:")
173         report.append(str(class_metrics['confusion_matrix']))
174         report.append("\nPer-Class Metrics:")
175         report.append(class_metrics['classification_report'])
176         report.append("")
177
178         # Dose optimization quality
179         report.append("2. DOSE OPTIMIZATION QUALITY")

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176     report.append("-" * 80)
177     dose_metrics = all_metrics['dose_quality']
178     for struct, metrics in dose_metrics.items():
179         report.append(f"\n{struct}:")
180         report.append(f"    Mean dose difference: {metrics['mean_dose_diff_gy']:.2f} {metrics['mean_dose_diff_std']:.2f} Gy")
181         report.append(f"    DVH difference: {metrics['dvh_diff_mean']:.1f}%")
182     report.append("")
183
184     # Clinical outcomes
185     report.append("3. PREDICTED CLINICAL OUTCOMES")
186     report.append("-" * 80)
187     outcome_metrics = all_metrics['clinical_outcomes']
188     report.append(f"TCP improvement: {outcome_metrics['tcp_improvement_mean']:.1f} {outcome_metrics['tcp_improvement_std']:.1f}%")
189     report.append(f"NTCP change: {outcome_metrics['ntcp_change_mean']:.1f} {outcome_metrics['ntcp_change_std']:.1f}%")
190     report.append(f"Therapeutic ratio improvement: {outcome_metrics['therapeutic_ratio_improvement']:.1f}%")
191     report.append("")
192
193     # Computational efficiency
194     report.append("4. COMPUTATIONAL EFFICIENCY")
195     report.append("-" * 80)
196     comp_metrics = all_metrics['computational_efficiency']
197     report.append(f"Total processing time: {comp_metrics['total_time_mean_s']:.1f} {comp_metrics['total_time_std_s']:.1f} seconds")
198     report.append("")
199
200     return "\n".join(report)
201
202
203 # Example usage
204 if __name__ == "__main__":
205     validator = PipelineValidator()
206
207     # Simulate validation data
208     n_patients = 100
209
210     # Classification accuracy
211     ground_truth = np.random.randint(0, 3, n_patients)
212     predictions = ground_truth.copy()
213     # Add some errors
214     error_idx = np.random.choice(n_patients, size=10, replace=False)
215     predictions[error_idx] = (predictions[error_idx] + 1) % 3
216
217     class_metrics = validator.evaluate_classification_accuracy(
218         predictions, ground_truth)
219
220     # Dose quality (simplified simulation)
221     structures = {'tumor': np.ones((50, 50, 40)), 'oar': np.ones((50, 50, 40))}
222     optimized_doses = [np.random.rand(50, 50, 40) * 60 for _ in range(n_patients)]
223     target_doses = [dose + np.random.randn(50, 50, 40) * 2 for dose in

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223 optimized_doses]
224
225 dose_metrics = validator.evaluate_dose_quality(optimized_doses,
226 target_doses, structures)
227
228 # Clinical outcomes
229 adapted_plans = [
230     {'tumor_dose': np.random.rand(1000) * 60 + 50,
231      'oar_dose': np.random.rand(1000) * 30}
232     for _ in range(n_patients)
233 ]
234 original_plans = [
235     {'tumor_dose': plan['tumor_dose'] - 5,
236      'oar_dose': plan['oar_dose'] + 2}
237     for plan in adapted_plans
238 ]
239
240 outcome_metrics = validator.evaluate_clinical_outcomes(adapted_plans,
241 original_plans)
242
243 # Computational efficiency
244 processing_times = [
245     {
246         'registration': 15 + np.random.randn() * 2,
247         'feature_extraction': 5 + np.random.randn(),
248         'classification': 2 + np.random.randn() * 0.5,
249         'optimization': 30 + np.random.randn() * 5,
250         'qa': 3 + np.random.randn() * 0.5
251     }
252     for _ in range(n_patients)
253 ]
254
255 comp_metrics = validator.evaluate_computational_efficiency(
256 processing_times)
257
258 # Generate report
259 all_metrics = {
260     'classification': class_metrics,
261     'dose_quality': dose_metrics,
262     'clinical_outcomes': outcome_metrics,
263     'computational_efficiency': comp_metrics
264 }
265
266 report = validator.generate_validation_report(all_metrics)
267 print(report)

```

Listing 10: Pipeline Evaluation Metrics and Validation

4 Project Timeline

Table 1: Detailed project timeline (36 months)

Period	Task	Activities
Months 1-3	Literature Review	Comprehensive review, establish baseline knowledge
	Data Collection Setup	Acquire anonymized patient datasets Development environment, computational resources
Months 4-9	Task 1	Synthetic image generation development & validation
	Training Validation	Train diffusion models and GANs Expert review of synthetic images
Months 10-15	Task 2	Feature extraction pipeline implementation
	Model Training Population Model	Train multimodal response classifier Build anatomical variation model
Months 16-21	Task 3	Dose optimization algorithms
	Integration RL Development	Connect with TPS Train sequential adaptation agent
Months 22-27	Task 4	Complete pipeline integration
	Testing	In-silico validation on retrospective data
Months 28-30	Secondment 1	NTNU (Norway) - 3 months
Months 31-33	Secondment 2	Politecnico di Milano (Italy) - 3 months
Months 34-36	Analysis	Final results analysis
	Publications	Manuscript preparation
Months 34-36	Thesis Writing	PhD thesis completion
	Defense	Thesis defense preparation

5 Expected Outcomes and Impact

5.1 Scientific Contributions

1. **Novel methodology** for distinguishing anatomical from biological image changes in adaptive radiotherapy
2. **Validated AI models** for multimodal response characterization
3. **Optimization framework** for response-guided dose adaptation
4. **Clinical decision support system** for adaptive proton therapy

5.2 Clinical Impact

- Improved treatment outcomes through personalized adaptation

- Reduced workload through automated response categorization
- Better utilization of biological imaging information
- Framework for future integration of molecular biomarkers

5.3 Publications Plan

1. **Paper 1:** "Synthetic Image Generation for Adaptive Radiotherapy Training" (Months 10-12)
2. **Paper 2:** "AI-Based Distinction of Anatomical and Biological Changes in Proton Therapy" (Months 18-20)
3. **Paper 3:** "Response-Guided Dose Optimization Strategies" (Months 24-26)
4. **Paper 4:** "Clinical Validation of Integrated Adaptive Pipeline" (Months 32-34)

6 Research Environment and Training

6.1 Primary Institution

Aarhus University & Aarhus University Hospital

- State-of-the-art Danish Centre for Particle Therapy
- "AI and Big Data in Radiation Oncology" research group
- Access to clinical proton therapy data
- Integration with treatment planning systems

6.2 Secondments

Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU)

- Expertise in medical image analysis
- Collaboration on deep learning methods
- Duration: 3 months

Politecnico di Milano

- Expertise in optimization algorithms
- Collaboration on dose planning methods
- Duration: 3 months

7 Ethical Considerations

All research will adhere to strict ethical guidelines:

- Use of fully anonymized retrospective patient data
- Approval from institutional review boards
- Compliance with GDPR regulations
- No patient identifiable information in publications
- Validation on synthetic/retrospective data before clinical use

8 Conclusion

This PhD project addresses a critical unmet need in adaptive radiotherapy: the systematic distinction between anatomical and biological components of image changes during treatment. By developing AI-driven methods integrating synthetic image generation, multimodal feature analysis, response classification, and adaptive dose optimization, this work will enable truly personalized "right-time" adaptive proton therapy.

The project aligns perfectly with the RAPTORplus consortium's mission and will contribute significantly to the advancement of precision radiation oncology. The combination of cutting-edge AI methods, comprehensive clinical data, and strong collaborative network positions this research for high impact in both scientific and clinical domains.

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