Computer-aided detection in DBT (digital breast tomosynthesis)

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IVY Lab (Image Video System. YM Ro Lab)

✤ Research history

Image Processing and Recognition



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•104 SCI indexed papers, 242 International conference papers
•11 MPEG standard technologies
•Spin off: Image filtering system, Color adaptation





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Current Research activities



ace recognition: Based on face quality assessment







Target view and depth map (Left view) Adjacent view and depth map (Right view)

3D processing: Binocular symmetric hole filling with global optimization

Facial expression recognition:

Using color texture sparsity



Computer aided detection: Microcalcification cluster detection in DBT



Video classification: Human action recognition using dense trajectory



Computer aided detection: Mass detection in DBT



Medical images and size...

Explosion of medical data

Expectation for growth of health care data in U.S.





20%-40% How can handle the big data?



 $4 \times (98+563) = 2.6 \text{ GB} (4 \text{ volumes per patient})$

3D mammograms

120MB - Mammograms 2.6GB - 3D mammograms (tomosynthesis)

W. Raghupathi and V. Raghupathi, "Big data analyrics in healthcare: promise and potential", Health Information Science and System, 2014. SAP's Amit Sinha, "Big data's challenges and solutions towards producing real-time personalized medicine", Strata Rx 2013 conference

Cancer diagnosis with medical images

General procedure for breast cancer screening



E. Warner "Breast cancer screening," The New England Journal of Medicine, 2011

"Breast Cancer Screening - Thermography is Not an Alternative to Mammography: FDA Safety Communication", U.S. Food and Drug Administration, 2011 [1] "GLOBOCAN 2012: Estimated cancer incidence, mortality and prevalence worldwide in 2012," *WHO (world health organization)*, 2012

Computer-aided detection via visual recognition^{6/31}



Example of sparse representation based classification

Image pattern of breast cancer in mammogram

✤ Mass

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- Appeared more densely (brighter) than the surrounding tissues
- Breast masses present various margin types [1]

✤ Microcalcification

- Cluster of bright and small points
- 100 μm 1mm size (1.5 15 pixels in 70 μm mammogram image)



Examples of various margins of breast mass [1] Sylvia Heywang-Koebrunner, Ingrid Schreer, "Diagnostic breast imaging, second edition," in *Thieme*, 2001.



Examples of microcalcification



Modality for breast cancer screening

✤ History

Film mammography (1967) → Digital mammography (early 1990s-current) →3D digital breast tomosynthesis (DBT) (2011-developing)



breast cancer screening using DBT

Kontos, D. et al (2009): "Parenchymal Texture Analysis in Digital Breast Tomosynthesis for Breast Cancer Risk Estimation: A Preliminary Study"; Acad Radiol; v.16:283:298. Video clips from University Hospitals (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=InD5qpxTJgA)

2D DM vs. 3D DBT

- DBT could reduce tissue overlap in Digital Mammography (DM)
- DBT clearly shows breast cancers



Clinical reports: 2D vs. 2D+3D

Advantages on screening using 2D DM + 3D DBT



From Hologic Selenia Dimensions 3D System Sponsor Executive Summary

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✓ The DBT in combination with digital mammography is approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)¹)

1) US Food and Drug Administration. Selenia Dimensions 3D System— P080003, Feb., 11, 2011.



Image pattern of DBT reconstructed slices and projection views

More data and information

projection views (PVs) + reconstructed slices (RSs) :



Mass on PVs

Mass on RSs

MC on PVs

MC on RSs

Limitations of DBT

PV images are noisy due to the low dose imaging



✤ RS images have reconstruction artifact (blur)

Due to the limited angular range of projection views, different voxel size







Image resolution is highly different between XY plane and YZ or XZ plane



Limitations of DBT

Reconstruction artifact (blur)



S. T. Kim, D. H. Kim, Y. M. Ro, "Breast mass detection using slice conspicuity in 3D reconstructed digital breast volumes," Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2014.

High performance DBT CAD developed by IVY lab^{14/31}

Novelty : limitations reduction and maximum use of information from both PV and RS





W.J. Baddar, D. H. Kim, E.J. Kim, Y. M. Ro, "Utilizing digital breast tomosynthesis projection views correlation for microcalcification enhancement for detection purposes," to be presented at SPIE MI, 2015



Blur-free mass feature extraction for DBT CAD

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✤ Mass feature extraction in in-focus slice found automatically

- Finding in-focus slice automatically (Object borders in the in-focus plane are sharp)
- Feature extraction in estimated in-focus slice



Illustration for new feature extraction in in-focus slices

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New MC feature extraction for DBT CAD

MC feature extraction from maximum value tracing images

- Improves MC visibility compared with blurred MCs, thus feature can better describe MCs
- The MC cluster structure can be easily shown and kept intact in the traced images





VOI from the DBT volume



Tracing the VOI of the DBT in 3 Dimensions

Extracting texture features describing relation with surrounding tissue Extracting texture features describing MC cluster structure and distribution

New MC feature extraction for DBT CAD



Classification FROC curve

The proposed feature extraction improves MC classification performance on DBT reconstructed slices

E.J. Kim, D.H. Kim, E.S. Cha, and **Y.M. Ro**. "Improvement of subtle microcalcifications detection in DBT slices." In Biomedical and Health Informatics (BHI), 2014 IEEE-EMBS International Conference on, pp. 322-325. IEEE, 2014.

New mass feature in PVs

Consistent similarity between projection views: Utilizing different characteristics of masses and FPs on PVs



D. H. Kim, S. T. Kim, Y. M. Ro, "Feature extraction from inter-view similarity of DBT projection views," SPIE Medical Imaging, 2015 [1] J. Y. Choi and Y. M. Ro, "Multiresolution local binary pattern texture analysis combined with variable selection for application to false positive reduction in computeraided detection of breast masses on mammograms," Physics in Medicine and Biology, vol 57, no. 2, pp. 7029-7052, October 2012

Maximum use of information from both PV and RS 19/31 for High performance DBT CAD lab

New ensemble classification for mass CAD fusing RSs and PVs

- Characteristics of lesion are different in RSs and PVs
- Multiple classifiers with feature selection is needed to classify complex data



D. H. Kim, S. T. Kim, Y. M. Ro, "Improving mass detection using combined features from projection views and reconstructed volume of DBT and boosting based classification with feature selection," submitted to Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2014

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New ensemble classification for mass CAD fusing RSs and PVs



sensitivity is about 18% with the combination of 2D and 3D data

ROC curves for clinical study

0.5

Multiview analysis

Clinical practice

- Radiologists analyze the ipsilateral views to detect cancers and to reduce FPs
- Matching corresponding regions in the ipsilateral DBT views is important



^{22/31} Multiview analysis: Region matching in ipsilateral DBT views



S. T. Kim, D. H. Kim, D. J. Ji, and Y. M. Ro, "Region Matching based on local structure information in ipsilateral digital breast tomosynthesis views," to be presented at IEEE ICIP, 2015

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23/31Multiview analysis: New bilateral mass features in DBT RSs

Bilateral features from asymmetric density of masses between the left ••• and right breasts



with detected VOIs

with corresponding VOIs (VOIs in left breast are transformed into right breast)



Single view feature + proposed bilateral features (feature-level fusion)

* 'Single view features*' denotes an augmented feature vector that concatenates LBP, RLS, SGLD, intensity features by feature-level fusion

Proposed bilateral features improve overall AUCs compared to the AUCs with single-view feature only

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Synthetic mammogram: Solution for dose rate

- Currently, as approved by the U. S. Food and Drug Administrator (FDA), DBT should be used in combination with DM [3].
- \clubsuit Drawback of combination with DM
 - DBT with DM accompanies doubled dose rate and shooting time in screening.
- Solution: Synthetic mammogram (Proposed method: Conspicuity-based projection)



Proposed method



Maximum intensity projection[4]



Proposed method



S. T. Kim, D. H. Kim, and Y. M. Ro, "Generation of Conspicuity-improved Synthetic Image from Digital Breast Tomosynthesis" International Conference on Digital Signal Processing, 2014
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Combination CAD using DBT and synthetic mammogram^{25/31}

Complementary information between synthetic mammogram and DBT RSs



DBT and synthetic mammogram have complementary information

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