

Interventional and Diagnostic Ultrasound: A Machine Learning Based Approach

In this talk, I present the development of advanced machine learning approaches for ultrasound-guided interventions and diagnosis. I will highlight three of the projects we are currently working on: 1) For the spine interventions, we have developed techniques that can automatically detect anatomical landmarks in ultrasound, and fuse ultrasound with a statistical model of the spine for guiding needle injections. 2) For prostate cancer diagnosis and treatment, we have demonstrated that automatic techniques can be used for identifying cancer maps. Furthermore, we have developed techniques for automatic planning of prostate brachytherapy procedures. 3) For echocardiography, I will present the framework we have developed for automatic analysis of this data.

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Light Refreshments

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