

7-page Thesis Summary
(prospective, under review)

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1 Mandatory TOC's and misc. pages (~20 pages)

2 Introduction (totalling 6-7 pages)

2.1 Opening Notes...

- ◆ Medical imaging
- ◆ Analysis of images
- ◆ Comparing images

2.2 Purpose of Registration

- ◆ Align images
- ◆ Analyse change
- ◆ Make comparisons

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2.3 The Correspondence Problem

- ◆ Align structures
- ◆ Compare like-with-like
- ◆ Model structures
- ◆ Explain variation

2.4 Registration and Correspondence

- ◆ Registration leads to correspondence
- ◆ Models require correspondence
- ◆ Models benefit from registration
- ◆ Registration can be build models

2.5 Optimal Shapes and Shapes Assessment

- ◆ Idea put in practice before
- ◆ Find corresponding points in contour
- ◆ Identify points of interest
- ◆ Describe shape using points
- ◆ Optimal descriptor of shape

2.6 Aims

2.7 Extending the Existing Framework (shape)

2.8 Assessment of Registration

- ◆ Benchmark existing registration methods

2.8.1 Build models

2.8.2 Data-driven analysis

- ◆ Models without human intervention
- ◆ Registration assessment without annotation

2.9 Contributions

- ◆ Rapid evaluation of registrations
- ◆ Reason about registration algorithms quality
- ◆ Build models automatically
- ◆ Evaluate models
- ◆ Complete framework for autonomous data analysis

2.10 Report Overview (Thesis Organisation)

3 Models (totalling 7-10 pages)

3.1 Statistical Models

3.1.1 Describe variation in data

3.1.2 Rationale:

- ◆ Analysis
- ◆ Synthesis
- ◆ ...

3.2 Shape

3.2.1 Correspondence

- ◆ Need corresponding points
- ◆ Vectorisation

3.2.2 PCA

- ◆ The principle
- ◆ Mathematics
- ◆ Issues (e.g. banana-shaped distribution)

3.2.3 Model Construction

- ◆ Relation to PCA
- ◆ Equations

3.2.4 Shape Models (learning)

- ◆ Construction
- ◆ Visualisation

3.3 Appearance models

3.3.1 Intensity Models

- ◆ Construction
- ◆ Visualisation

3.3.2 Combined Models

- ◆ Formulation

3.4 Active Models and fitting (very brief)

- ◆ Matching using *synthesis*
- ◆ Discrepancy
- ◆ Distance from a match (relating to shuffle distance, to be discussed later)

4 MDL Shape Models (totalling 7-12 pages)

4.1 Deformable Models

- ◆ The principle
- ◆ Bending energy
- ◆ Practical example/s

4.2 Shapes and Correspondence

- ◆ Example models where correspondenc is bad

4.3 Learning Shapes

- ◆ Principled approach
- ◆ Determinant
- ◆ Minimum description length

4.4 Objective Function and Optimisation

- ◆ Variety of function
- ◆ Optimising correspondences
- ◆ Results (visual)

5 Non-rigid Registration (totalling 6-9 pages)

5.1 Warps

- ◆ Rigid, affine, non-rigid
- ◆ Methods (functions, deformation fields, etc.)

5.2 Similarity

- ◆ MSD/SSD
- ◆ Correlation ratio
- ◆ Mutual information
- ◆ Model-based - to be described

5.3 Group-wise versus Pair-wise

- ◆ Flaws associated with pair-wise
- ◆ Examples/results
- ◆ Previous work on group-wise registration

- 6 Model building - introduce and validate before next section (10-20 pages)**
- 6.1 3-D Registration Framework (group work)**
- 6.2 Automatically Building Appearance Models (group work)**
- 6.3 Placeholder for personal extension or contribution to model-building (yet to talk to TFC)**
- 7 MDL Appearance Models and Registration (large, fragment it?, 40-50 pages) - see subsequent chapters that supersede this one**

7.1 Model-based Registration

(get 1-D working better)

- ◆ Data
- ◆ Determinant
- ◆ CPS, warps
- ◆ MDL objective function
- ◆ Experiments
- ◆ Results

7.2 Evaluating Appearance Models

- ◆ Automatic model building revised
- ◆ Synthesis
- ◆ Clouds in space
- ◆ Specificity and Generalisation
- ◆ Euclidean, Shuffle distance
- ◆ Models compared
- ◆ Results

7.3 Evaluating Non-rigid Registration

- ◆ Brain data
- ◆ Perturbation Framework (warps, figures)
- ◆ Overlap - Tanimoto and Dice (in brevity)
- ◆ Comparison with Overlap-based Evaluation
- ◆ Sensitivity - errors in sensitivity too

8 Evaluating Models and Non-Rigid Registration

9 Results (Generalisability and Specificity)

10 Entropy-Based Measures for Assessment

11 Results (Entropy-based)

12 Extending the Method to 3-D

13 Future Exploration (3-4 pages)

13.1 Pitfalls

- ◆ Long to synthesise and compute Sensitivity and Generalisation

13.2 Extending the Scheme

- ◆ Normalisation
- ◆ Improving the range of displacements where results can be differentiated
- ◆ Improving sensitivity

14 Summary, Discussion and Conclusions (4-6 pages)

- ◆ Building models without human intervention
- ◆ Developed a model-based objective function
- ◆ Model evaluation scheme
- ◆ Registration evaluation scheme
- ◆ Group-wise registration better than pair-wise

15 Appendices (10-20 pages)

- ◆ Perturbation
- ◆ Formulation of error bar calculations
- ◆ Objective function for model-based registration