Applications of Adaptive Simulated annealing algorithms to Intensity Modulated Radiotherapy(IMRT) planning problems

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IMRT PRINCIPLES



IMRT PRINCIPLES – 3D



"Classical" conformation vs Intensity Modulation



Conventional Planning vs Inverse planning



Methods: Combinatorial Optimization Algorithms.

- Genetic algorithms
- Projection onto convex sets
- Bayesian optimization
- Maximum entropy
- Gradient-based optimizations
- Simulated annealing algorithms
- Monte-Carlo based simulated annealing
- ...etc.

Simulated Annealing(SA): Algorithm (Kirkpatrick et al. 1983)



Ensemble based simulated annealing(EBSA): (George Ruppeiner et al , 1991)

The EBSA hypothesis on IMRT settings

 The EBSA hypothesis states that given only thermodynamic information, constant thermodynamic speed cooling schedule (EBSA) is optimal. (Frost Concepts -- Facts, Conjectures, and Improvements for Simulated Annealing, Peter Salamon, Paolo Sibani, Richard Frost)

The lowest energy seen for a graph partition problem(Pedersen1989)



Applications of EBSA to real world applications – Geophysical prospecting(Reflection Siemology)

- Seismic Model Optimization with sparse Prior Information.
- Inversion Of Post-stack Sesmic data.

Model 2D- IMRT Problem

"DosPrescription.dat" using 1:2:3



Preliminary results: SA to IMRT

"DosCalculations3.dat" using 1:2:3



Preliminary results: EBSA to IMRT

"DosCalculation_ebsa3.dat" using 1:2:3



Preliminary results: Dose Volume Histogram(DVH)



Future directions

- Advanced Geometries and 3D IMRT
- Comaprative analysis of results with existing IMRT algorithms, in particular, with existing parallel SA.
- Implementation of the EBSA IMRT through the open source Mathlab SA Tools. (www.frostconcepts.com/software) Radiobiologically guided IMRT (RB IMRT)

Collaborations

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Questions and discussions



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