ELEC 435 – Medical Image Processing

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Course Objectives
The objective of this course is to provide students with the basic skills needed to analyze, formalize, and solve diverse medical imaging problems from an image processing viewpoint.

Learning Outcomes
By the end of the course, students will be able to:

- lead an in-depth discussion (from an image processing viewpoint) on medical conditions that are diagnosed and tracked using medical imaging techniques.
- summarize the image formation processes of X-Ray, MRI, CT, ultrasound, and the challenges that each image type imposes on medical image processing algorithms.
- design and implement basic algorithms for noise reduction, contrast enhancement, image segmentation, and object recognition in the context of medical images.
- design, implement and evaluate a multi-step medical image processing approach.

Syllabus

PART 1. IMAGE FORMATION
- Imaging systems
- Medical images obtained with ionizing radiation
- Medical images obtained with non-ionizing radiation
- Multi-modality imaging

PART 2. IMAGE PROCESSING
- Noise reduction algorithms in medical images
- Contrast enhancement algorithms in medical images
- Edge detection
- Medical Image Segmentation
- Feature extraction, object recognition and classification
- Performance evaluation of image processing algorithms

A-Section(s): A01 / CRN 30333, A02/30334
Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
Time: 9:30-10:20 am
Location: ECS 130
Required Text
Title: Guide To Medical Image Analysis: Methods and Algorithms
Author: Klaus D. Toennies
Publisher: Springer
Year: 2012
References: Scientific articles will be posted on Course Space as mandatory readings.

Assessment:
Assignments (5) 25%  
Due Dates: to be posted on Course Spaces
Mid-terms 40%  
Tentative dates: Midterm 1-June 16 AND 17; Midterm 2-July 22 AND 23
Project 30%
Class participation 5%

Note: Failure to pass the combined mark of the midterms will result in a failing grade for the course. Make-up midterms will not be available.

The final grade obtained from the above marking scheme for the purpose of GPA calculation will be based on the percentage-to-grade point conversion table as listed in the current Undergraduate Calendar.

There will be no supplemental examination for this course.
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