



Quantification of Trabeculae Inside the Heart From MRI Using Fractal Analysis

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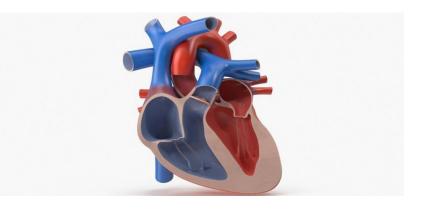
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What is heart and why it's so Important ??

Heart weighs less than a pound

 ✓ Responsible for system of Blood Vessel
✓ Beats 2.5 billion times over a average life time



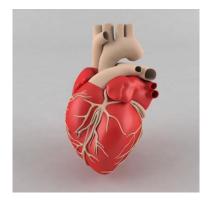
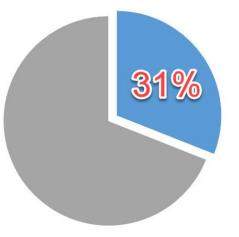


Fig.1: Image of heart [1]

Cardiovascular Diseases (CVDs)

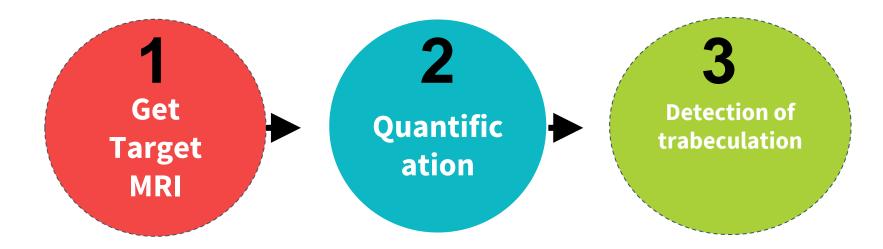
According to World Health Organization (WHO) in 2015

 √ 17.7 million people died from from various CVDs
√ 31% of all world's Deaths



Objective of the Project

Quantification of Trabeculation Due to Left Ventricular Non-compaction (LVNC).



What is Left Ventricle Non-Compaction??

LVNC is a condition of heart

 ✓ Where the wall of the left ventricle are non-compacted
✓ This causes channel to form in heart muscle, called trabeculations.

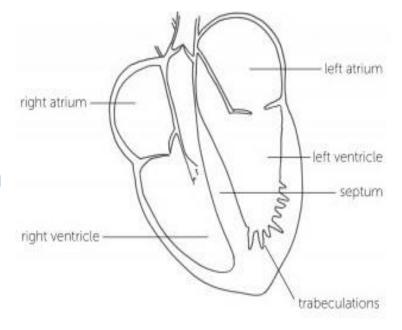


Fig.2: The structure of heart with LVNC [2] .

How Trabeculations form ??

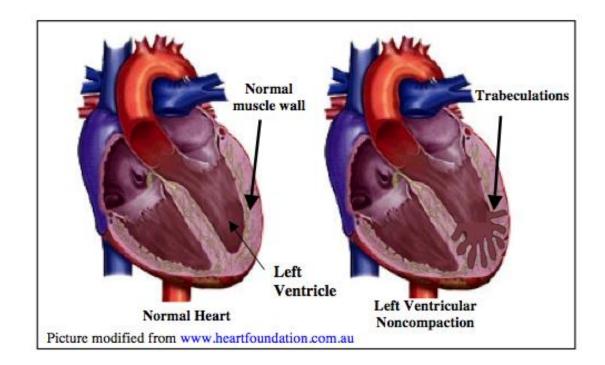


Fig.2: Normal heart vs LVNC heart structure [3] .

What is Fractal Dimension ??

Quantify the complex geometric patters of biological and natural patterns.

✓ Fractal Dimension (FD) ✓ Complexity of the structure ✓ FD of Endocardium border is an Non-integer between 1 and 2. ✓ 1<FD<2

What is Snake Algorithm??

Active contour model called snake.

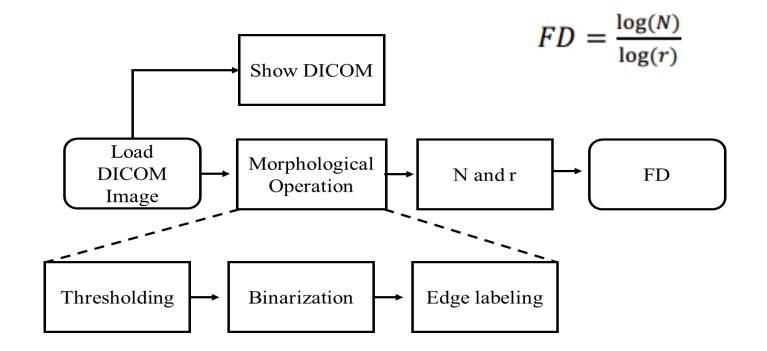
✓ Energy minimizing, deformable spline
✓ Influenced by constrain and image forces
✓ Energy function

 $\checkmark E_{snake}^* = \int_0^1 E_{snake} \left(v(s) \right) ds = \int_0^1 \left(E_{internal} (v(s)) + E_{image} \left(v(s) \right) + E_{con} (v(s)) \right) ds$

Project Outcomes

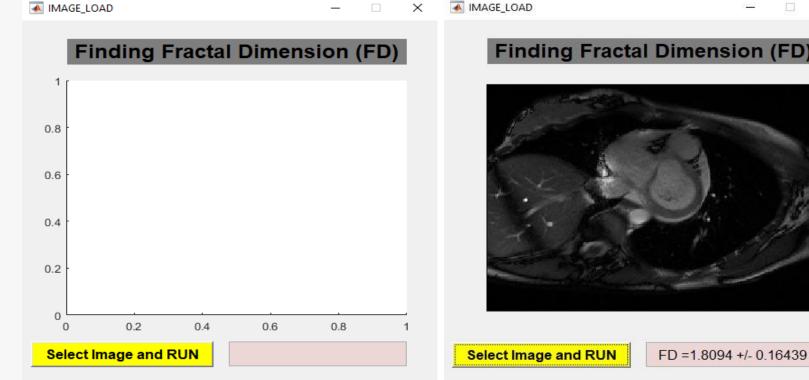
Quantifications of Trabeculae

Complexity Analysis Block Diagram



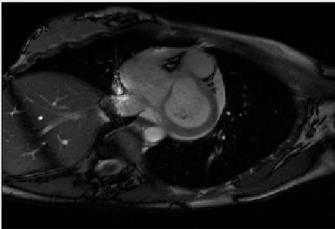
Complexity Analysis Block Diagram.

Implementations in GUI



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Finding Fractal Dimension (FD)

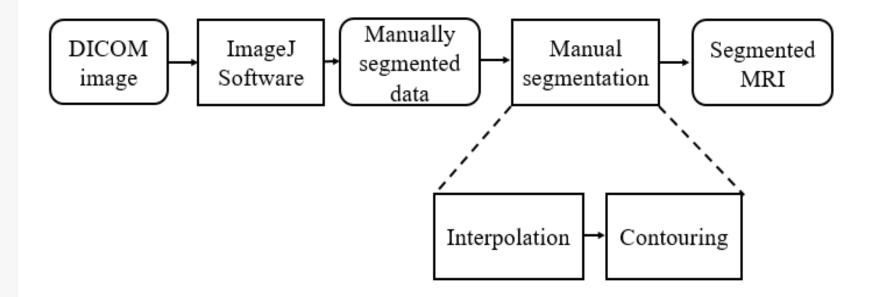


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Manual Segmentations

Manual Segmentation of Heart MRI/ CMRI



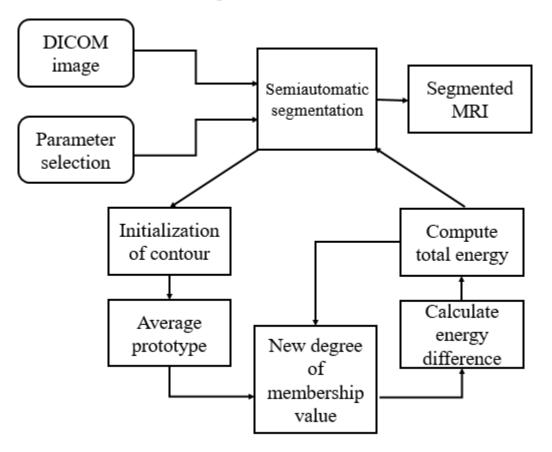
Block diagram for manual Segmentation.

Implementations in GUI

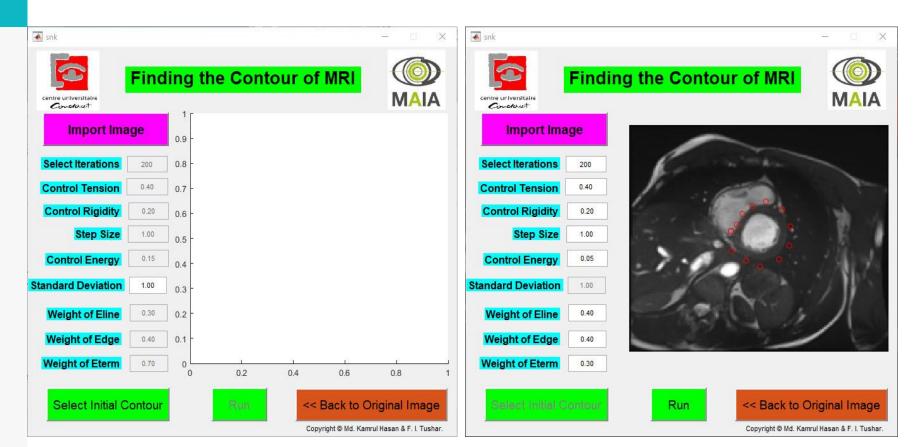


Semi-automatic Segmentations

Semi-automatic Segmentation of Heart MRI/ CMRI



Implementations in GUI



Conclusions

- 1. Due to the trabeculae, the geometric pattern of the inner part of the heart become more complex.
- 2. Semi-automatic segmentation is more reliable and easily implementable for heart MRI/ CMRI segmentations.

Future Improvement

1. Some segmentation algorithm like *Watershed-Matching Algorithm* can be implemented in Python in conjunction with OpenCV for better results.

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