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# Using Ccontinuum Mechanics for Detection and Quantification of Evolving Processes in 3D Medical Images

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Physicians often perform diagnoses based on the evolution of lesions, tumours or anatomical structures through time. The objective of this paper is to describe several vector field operators to detect regions with local variations between two 3D images. Those operators are applied to displacement fields obtained after a non-rigid registration between successive 3D temporal images. Because we want to study the deformations between several temporal states, continuum mechanics is well suited for developing such operators.

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