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Image interpretation and conceptual graph integrating topologic
and photometric knowledge

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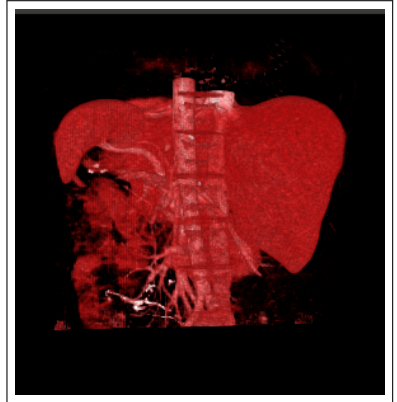
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7 July 2011



Plan

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Knowledge representation
- 3 Inference engine
- 4 Evaluation
- 5 Application
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Road map

- 1 Introduction
 - Presentation
 - Image content understanding
 - Problem statement
 - State of the art
 - Steps
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Presentation

- 1 Internship from March to July 2011
- 2 Image analysis for diagnostic assistance
- 3 Previous work : state of the art
- 4 Programming language : Python 2.7

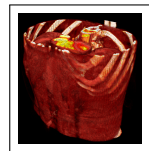
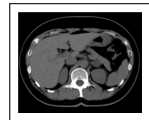
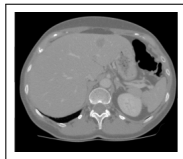


Image content understanding : sequential approach



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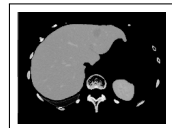
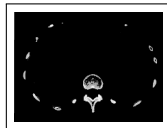
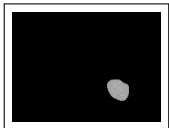
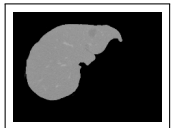
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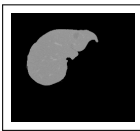
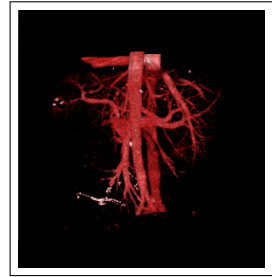
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Problem statement

How to represent and use non quantitative informations for image content understanding ?

- 1 e.g. vessels are not included in bones \Rightarrow topology
- 2 e.g. vessels are more bright than liver \Rightarrow photometry



What about state of the art ?

Image interpretation with a priori conceptual knowledges

Example : topological (e.g. A include B), relative distance (e.g. A close to B), relative position (e.g. A is left to B)

- 1 Not common in image interpretation
- 2 Nature
 - Quantitative (e.g. distance, intensity) ¹
 - Non quantitative (e.g. inclusion, intersection) ²
- 3 Representation as graph ³
 - Contextual addition : active node ²

Contribution

Sequential approach with topological and photometrical knowledges.

1. [3] C. Hudelot, J. Atif, and I. Bloch, Fuzzy spatial relation ontology for image interpretation, *Fuzzy Sets and Systems*, 2008

2. [2] J.-B. Fasquel, V. Agnus, An interactive medical image segmentation system based on the optimal management of regions of interest, *Computer Methods and Programs in Biomedicine*, 2006

3. [1] A. Deruyver, Y. Hodéb, and L. Brun, Image interpretation with a conceptual graph, *Artificial Intelligence*, 2009

Steps

Representation

- 1 Knowledge (conceptual information)
- 2 Segmentation process (contextual information)

Formalization (inference engine)

- 1 Region of interest (topology)
- 2 Number of classes (photometry)
- 3 Class ordering (photometry)

Evaluation

- 1 Synthetic images
- 2 Clustering algorithm
- 3 Method's benefits quantification

Application

- 1 Medical images
- 2 Cluster identification
- 3 Windowing for volume rendering

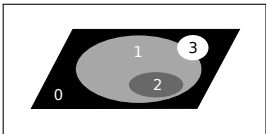
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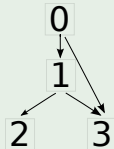
Topology & photometry (conceptual informations)

Graph

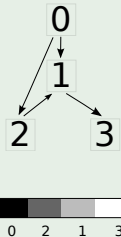
- 1 Nodes are regions (e.g 0, 1, A, B, liver, tumor)
- 2 Edges are relations (e.g. include, less bright than)



Topology



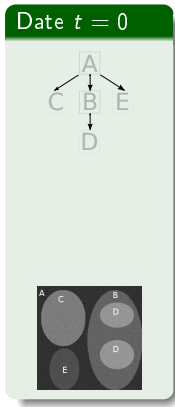
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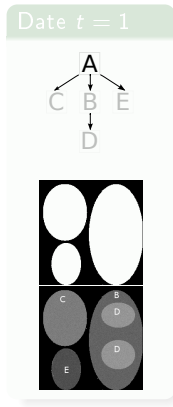
Segmentation process modeling (contextual informations)

Add contextual information to the previous graph

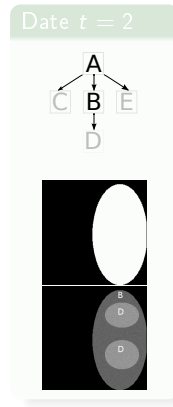
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- 2 Non active node = type is not segmented



A ⇒



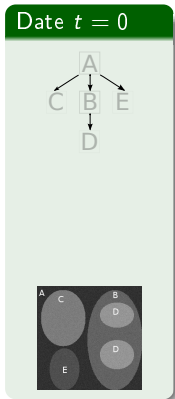
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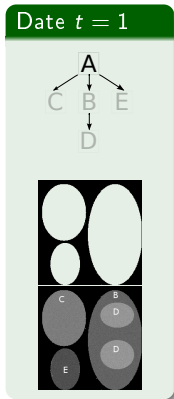
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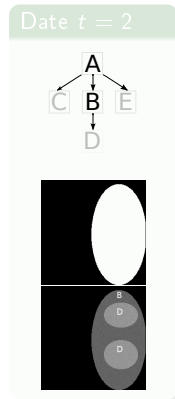
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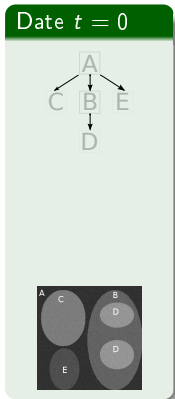
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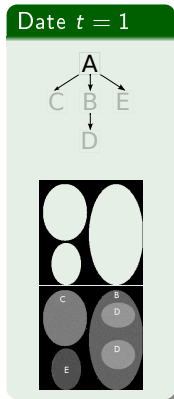
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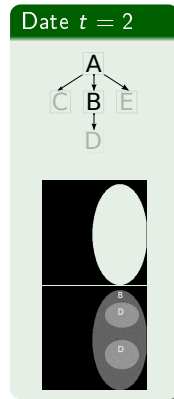
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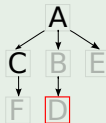
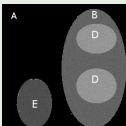
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 - Number of classes
 - Results
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From the optimal region of interest...

Optimal Region Of Interest¹

$$R_t(u) = \left(\bigcup_{l \in G_{T,t}^{-1}(u)} X_t(\bar{l}) \right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{i \in S_t | u \in G_{T,t}^{-\infty}(i)} X_t(i) \right) \quad (1)$$

Example



ROI

$$R_t(D) = X_t(\bar{A})$$

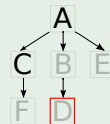
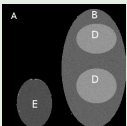
$$R_t(D) = X_t(A) \setminus X_t(C)$$

... to the number of classes

List of classes \Leftrightarrow lobes in the histogram

$$L_t(u) = \left\{ i \in (G_T^\infty(G_{T,t}^{-1}(u)) \cap (S \setminus S_t)) \mid (G_{T,t}^{-1}(i) \cap G_{T,t}^{-1}(u) \neq \emptyset) \right\} \cup G_{T,t}^{-1}(u) \quad (2)$$

Example



Cardinality

A priori number of classes in the ROI :

$$N_t(u) = |L_t(u)|$$

$$N_t(D) = |L_t(D)| = |B, E, D, A|$$

$$N_t(D) = 4$$

Identification

Ordering by photometry :

$$O_t(u) = \text{ord}\{L_t(u)\}$$

$$O_t(D) = \text{ord}\{B, E, D, A\}$$

$$O_t(D) = \{A, E, B, D\}$$

Results

Conclusion

- 1 Not easy as it seems
- 2 Limit of the study for the number of classes
 - Segmentation of a type in once \Rightarrow no multiplicity
 - Types are all in the image \Rightarrow no optionality

Road map

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Knowledge representation
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- 4 Evaluation**
 - Presentation
 - Clustering algorithm
 - Reduction of polluting data and volume
 - Number of classes
 - Centroid initialization
- 5 Application
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Presentation

Which evaluation protocol?

Difficulties

- 1 Choice of the clustering algorithm
- 2 Procedure (contextual information)
- 3 Data (e.g. noise, brightness, region)

Evaluation

- 1 *K-Means* clustering
- 2 Synthetic images
- 3 Benefits of knowledge
 - Reduction of polluting data and volume
 - *K-Means* parameterization

Clustering algorithm

Study limited to only one clustering algorithm to illustrate each benefits.

K-Means

- 1 A widely used clustering algorithm *“the simplicity and computational speed of the K-means algorithm [...] has made it a popular choice”*¹
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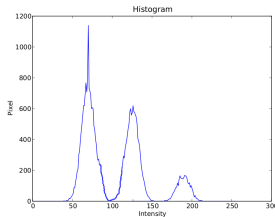
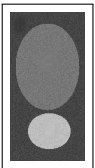
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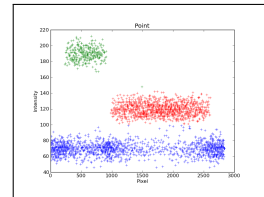
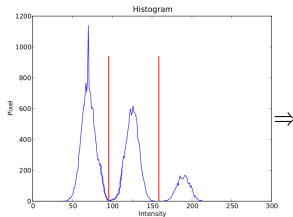
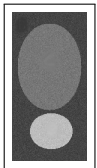
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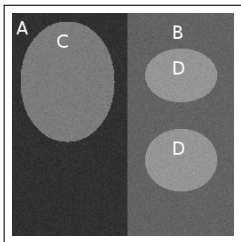
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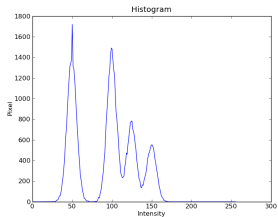


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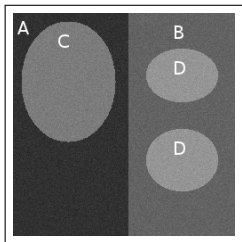
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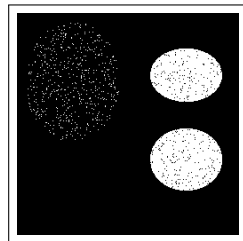
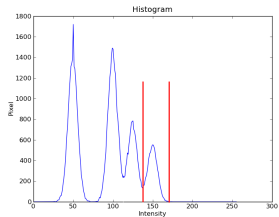
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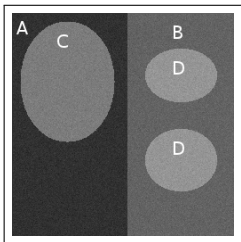
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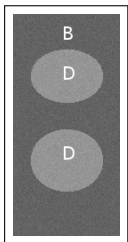
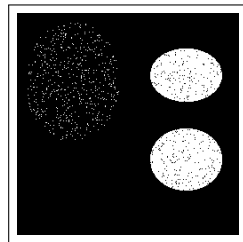
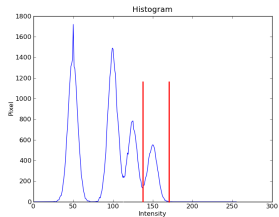
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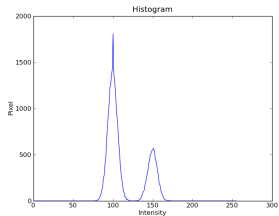
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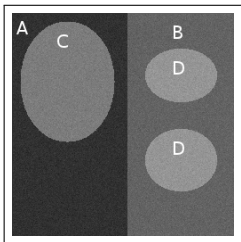
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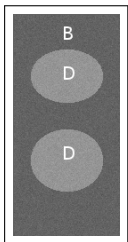
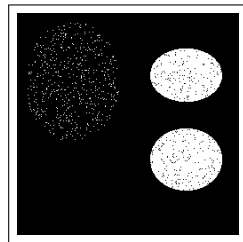
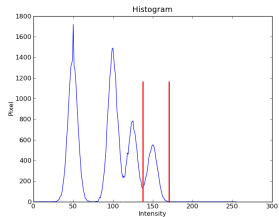
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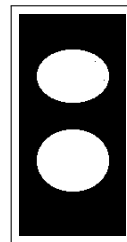
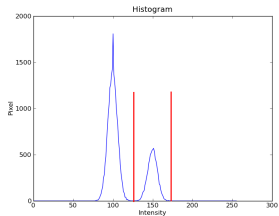
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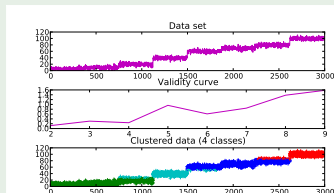
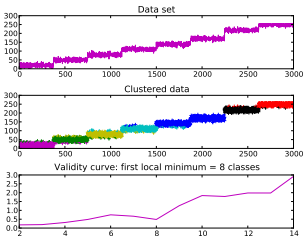
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ROI improve efficiency and save time.

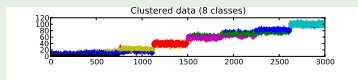
Number of classes \Rightarrow K-Means parameterization

No a priori number of clusters¹



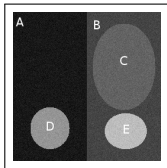
A priori number of cluster

- 1 Computing time saving
- 2 Optimal clustering

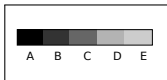


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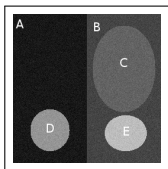
Number of classes + ordering = centroids \Rightarrow K-Means parameterization



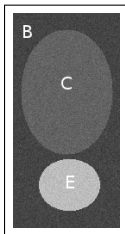
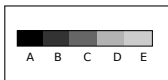
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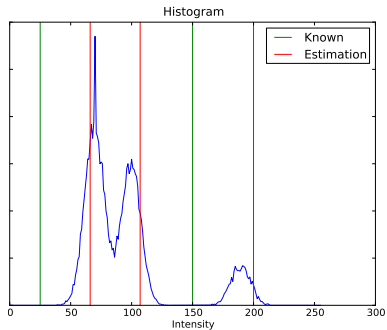
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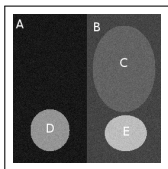
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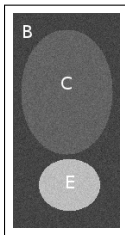
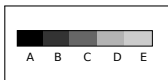
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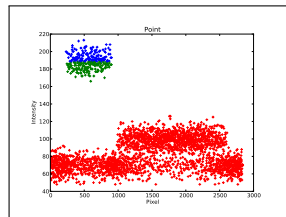
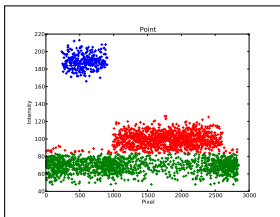
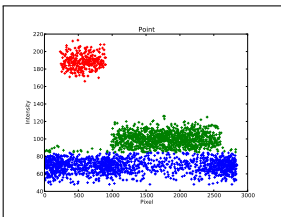
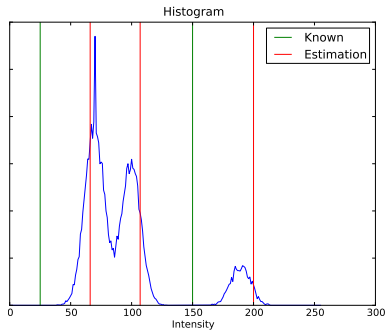
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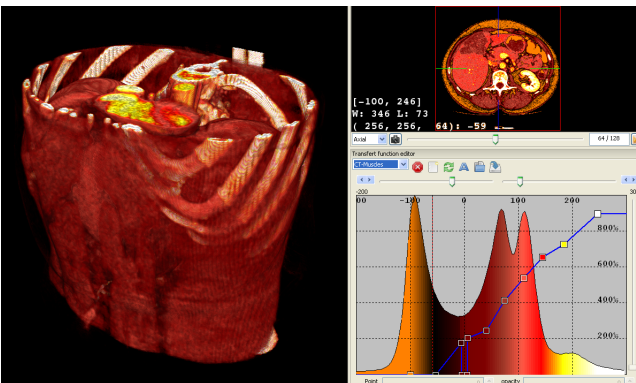
Careful seeding = better clustering

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 - Presentation
 - Context
 - Use case : tumor
 - Use case : vessel
- 6 Conclusion

Presentation

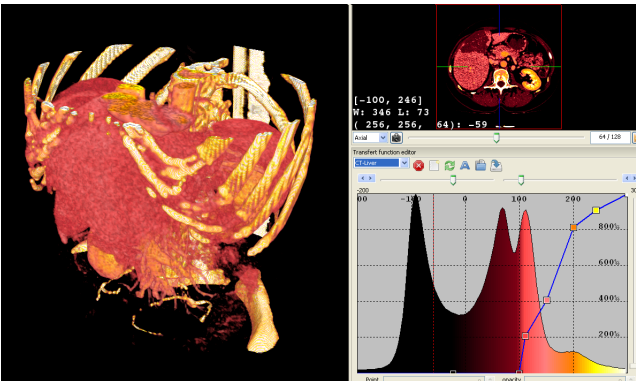
- 1 Visualization only : less restrictive than segmentation
- 2 Preliminary results for two use cases
- 3 Medical image from IRCAD¹ database (ground truth)



1. IRCAD : Institut de Recherche contre les Cancers de l'Appareil Digestif

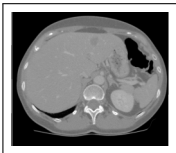
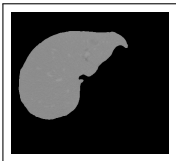
Presentation

- 1 Visualization only : less restrictive than segmentation
- 2 Preliminary results for two use cases
- 3 Medical image from IRCAD¹ database (ground truth)



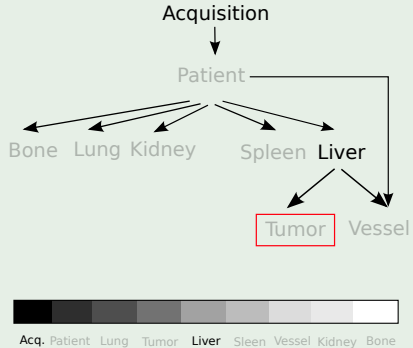
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Context

 $t = 0$  $t = 1$

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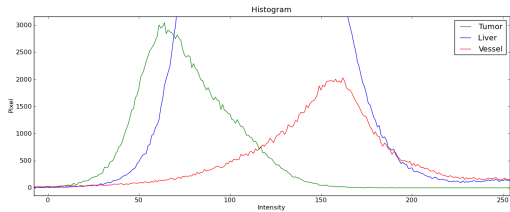
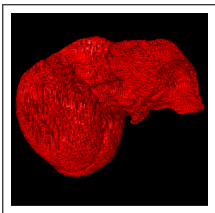
A priori knowledges



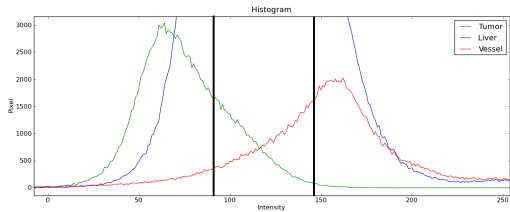
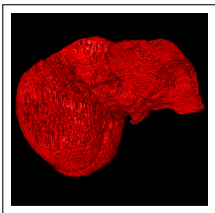
Inference engine

- 1 Number of classes = 3
- 2 Ordering = tumor < liver < vessel

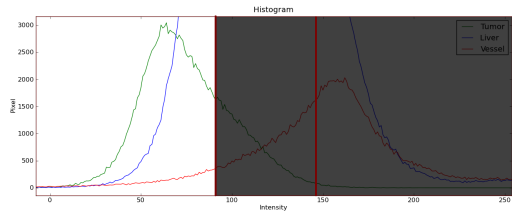
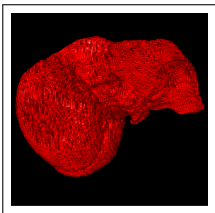
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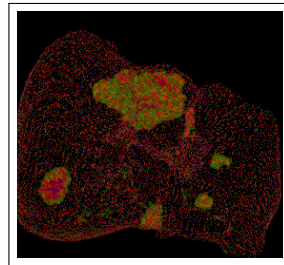
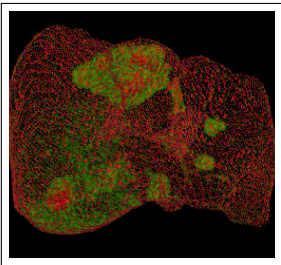
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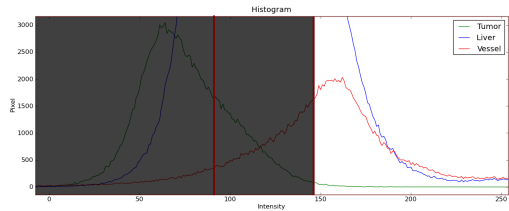
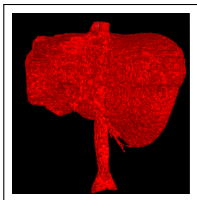
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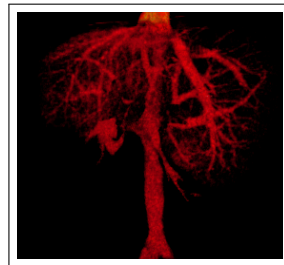
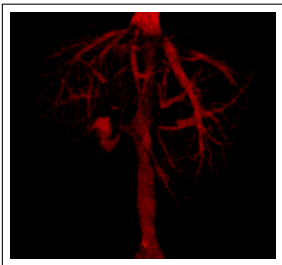
Windowing for tumor



Clustering and windowing for vessel



Windowing for **vessel**



Road map

- 1 Introduction
- 2 Knowledge representation
- 3 Inference engine
- 4 Evaluation
- 5 Application
- 6 Conclusion**

Conclusion

Results

- 1 Generic method for image understanding
- 2 Non quantitative \Rightarrow adaptability
- 3 Constraints :
 - 1 Perfectly segmented masks
 - 2 Complete graph completion

Refinements

- 1 N type value to handle multiplicity and optionality
- 2 Node fully included by successors

Personal

- 1 Very pleasant job (research, tools)
- 2 Formalization is not easy
- 3 The best part just started



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