Deep learning based Organ Measurement in Fetal Ultrasound

Duration: 6 months
Preferred start date: from March 2019 or later
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Host entity
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Internship description
Ultrasound (US) imaging is the modality of choice for fetal screening. In many countries, the US exam performed between 18 and 22 weeks of pregnancy is used to assess the development of the fetus by measuring its head, abdomen and femur. In this internship, we propose to use deep learning approaches to perform such measurements and compare the results with existing image processing methods and manual measurements.

A first step will be to increase the robustness of existing methods by using artificial intelligence techniques. The second step will consist in implementing deep learning approaches to delineate the organs of interest and perform the measurements.

A database of US images with associated measurements is available to train and test the algorithms. Existing approaches, which do not involve deep learning, have already been evaluated and will be used as a baseline for comparison. The programming language is Python.

Candidate profile
- Third year of engineer school / Master 2 Recherche, with specialty in machine learning, image processing or applied mathematics
- Solid knowledge of statistics, machine learning, deep learning, image processing
- Experience in Matlab and/or Python
- English speaking, reading and writing is mandatory
- Good communication skills and ability to work in a team