



#### SAGE: Sequential Attribute Generator for Analyzing Glioblastomas Using Limited Dataset

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Mutations are rare!

## Problem and Significance

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# Related Work and Contributions

- Some research has been directed towards brain MR generation [1-3], however, they do not cater to the high diversity and low quantity of data
- Contributions:
  - Generate **diverse synthetic images** from very limited datasets
  - Feature disentanglement and sequential generation for high resolution images and added control over generated tumor properties,
  - Quantitative analysis of efficacy of proposed method in learning and recreating visually unapparent data distribution compared to naive GANs
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## Proposed Approach

#### What we know\*

- ✓ Visual indicators of mutation:
- Exist
- Reproducible
- ✓ Significant macro-features:
- Shape, texture and location of tumor
- Data highly diverse and limited

#### The result?

A model that can tackle the issues of:

- ✓ Limited data
- ✓ High data diversity
- ✓ Learning visually unapparent features



Break down a tumor and recreate from the data distributions



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## SAGE: Sequential Attribute Generator







#### Shape Generation



where  $I_x$  is the indicator function which is 0 when X is data and 1 when X is noise. The noise is sampled from random normal distribution. G and D are Generator and Discriminator, respectively. y is the generated image and  $x_{real}$  is the real image.  $Z_{real=noise}$  are the latent space representations of real and noisy inputs.





#### **Texture Generation**



where:  $L_{TAN}$ : overall loss function,  $\omega_i$ : weight of ith layer, T: sampled Tumor Crop (TC), B: input Syn-Binary TC, I: output Syn-TC, F<sub>i</sub>: output of i<sup>th</sup> layer and g<sub>i</sub>: Gram matrix of i<sup>th</sup> layer output





#### Data Used

- Data provided by Emory University
- 38 patients: 18 mutated and 20 control
- Two classes: Mutated and control classes (with and without 19/20 co-gain)







# Results









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# Blind Test by Radiologists

Blind test for radiologists to distinguish between real and synthetic tumor crops. The metrics: ACC - Accuracy, FPR - False Positive Rate, TNR - True Negative Rate, PR - Precision. Row (non-shaded) are values for each radiologist and row (shaded) is the mean value across all radiologists.

Data class	Radiologist	ACC	FPR	FNR	PR
Control	1	0.59	0.42	0.38	0.55
	2	0.67	0.34	0.31	0.66
	3	0.70	0.30	0.36	0.64
	Mean	0.66	0.35	0.33	0.64
Mutated	1	0.74	0.33	0.19	0.72
	2	0.82	0.19	0.18	0.87
	3	0.76	0.30	0.20	0.77
	Mean	0.77	0.27	0.19	0.79





# Diversity









Generative Model	IS	SSIM
SAGE (ours)	1.71	0.68
PGGAN	1.55	0.66
WGAN-GP	1.35	0.57
DC-GAN	1.12	0.32

Inception score (IS) and Structural Similarity (SSIM)





# Conclusions

- Sequential generation of disentangled attributes can:
  - 1. Cater to limited datasets (as low as 60 training samples per class)
  - 2. Generate high resolution images
  - 3. Generate high diversity dataset compared to PG-GAN and standard GANs
- SAGE generates realistic images thus, it captures data distribution accurately
- SAGE tackles problems of real-world datasets, rendering it very useful for data generation tasks

# **Thank You!**

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