Non-invasive Imaging with Scattered Light

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Random scattering of light in complex samples such as biological tissue renders most objects opaque to optical imaging techniques. However, although random, scattering is a deterministic process, and it can be undone, and also exploited by controlling the incident optical wavefront. These insights form the basis for the emerging field of optical *wavefront-shaping* [1]. Opening the path to new possibilities, such as imaging through visually opaque samples and around corners [2].

Standing in the way of widespread applications of wavefront-shaping are two challenges: How to determine the required wavefront correction without accessing the target side? and how to do it faster than the dynamics of the sample?

I will present some of our recent efforts in addressing these challenges [3-11]. These include the guidance of wavefront-shaping using non-linear effects [3], the photoacoustic effect [4-6], and acousto-optics [7-8]. In addition, I will show how one can exploit the dynamics of the samples instead of fighting them. I will also demonstrate how it is possible to image through scattering layers and 'around corners' using nothing but a smartphone camera [9], using correlations of scattered light.

If time permits, I will present the use of these principles for endoscopic imaging through optical fibers [10-11].

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