Types of Medical Imaging







X-Ray

CT Scan

MRI

Uses x-rays to be able to see dense objects

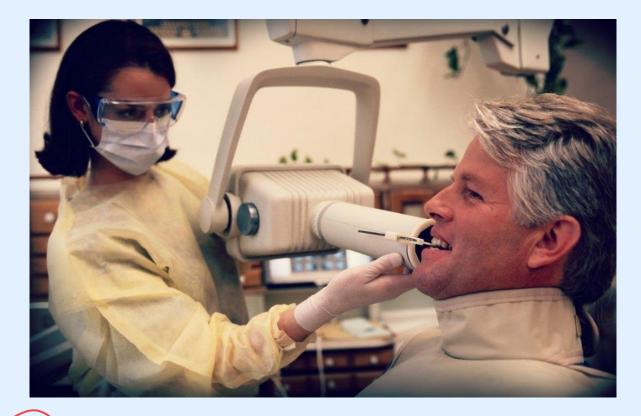
Uses a more powerful xray to take 360 degree pictures of body parts Uses magnets with radio waves to see structures



Difference between X-Ray, CT Scan, and MRI

- X-Ray: type of radiation that passes through the body and makes the dense objects (like bones) appear white on the film
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI): combines a powerful magnet with radio waves and a computer to manipulate these magnetic elements and create highly detailed images of structures in the body. Images are viewed as cross sections of the body part being scanned.
- Computer Tomography (CT) scan or a CAT scan: sophisticated, powerful x-ray that takes 360 degree pictures of internal organs and bones.

X-Ray Machine



X-Ray Machine

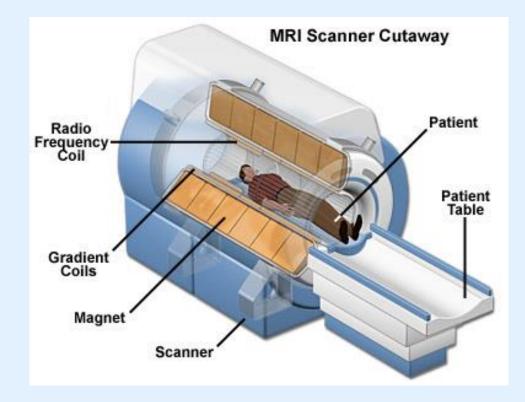


X-Ray of the Face



Now for actual x-rays...

MRI Machine



MRI of Torn Achilles Tendon





CT Scan Machine



CT Scan Still



Now for the full CT Scan...

What other medical imaging types are there out there?

What did you find out?



What are your thoughts?

What is the purpose of each of these medical imaging types?

Why can't we just have one of them?

What type of imaging do you think we need but don't have yet?