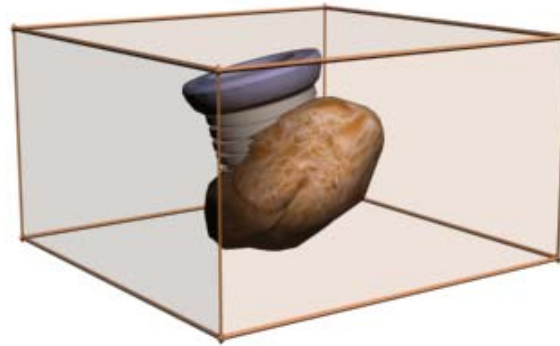


REGISTRATION OF 2D HISTOLOGICAL IMAGES WITH 3D SR μ CT VOLUMES OF BONE IMPLANTS



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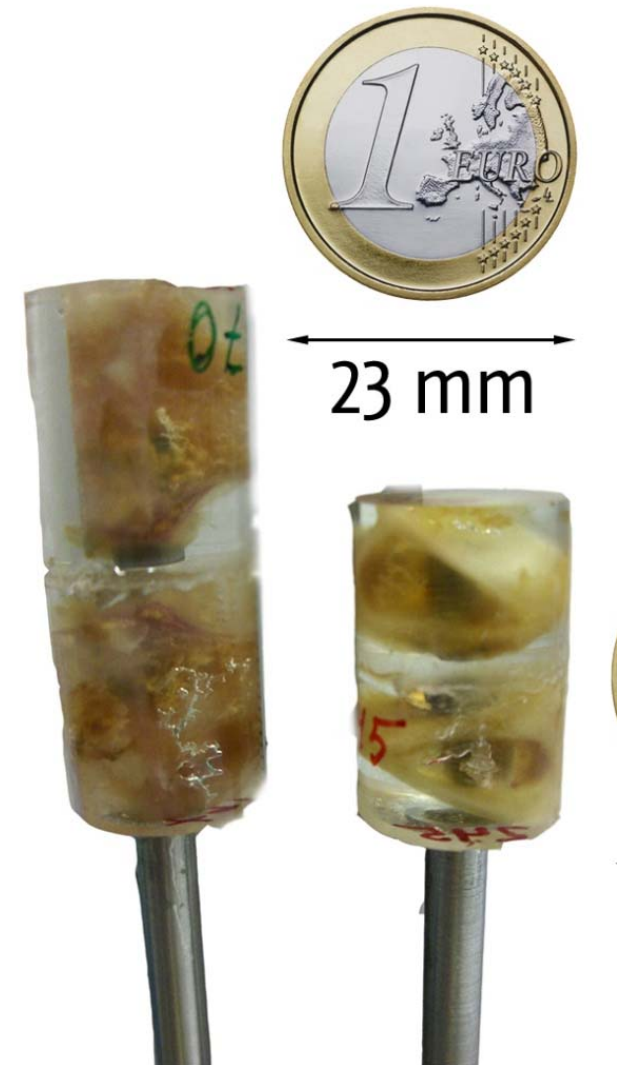
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Screw Shaped Bone Implants



- » Pure titanium
- » In focus: **regeneration of bone**
- » Different imaging techniques used for quantitative analysis

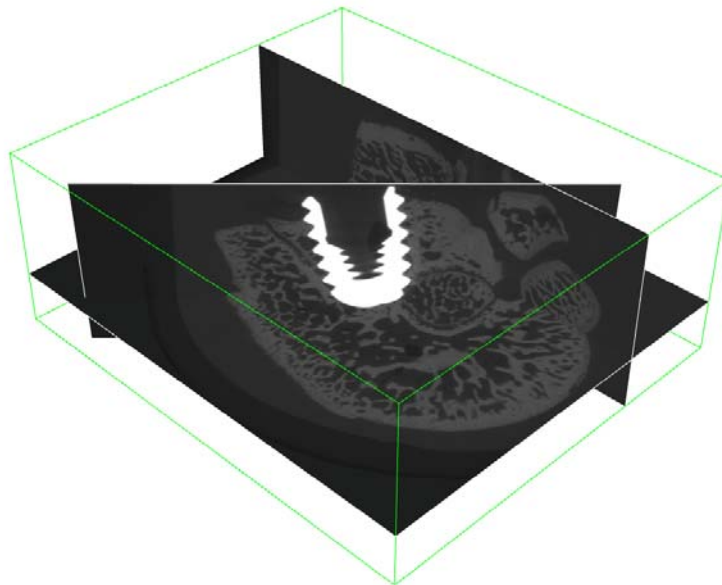




Imaging

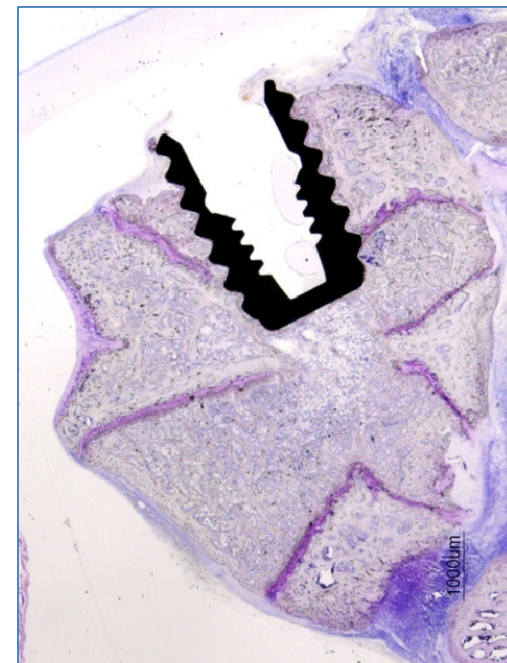
SR μ CT

(Synchrotron Radiation Based μ CT)



3D

Microscopy

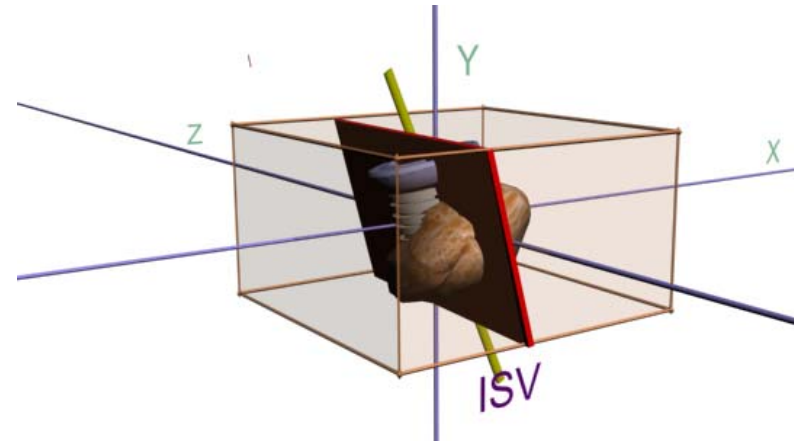


2D

Intermodal Registration



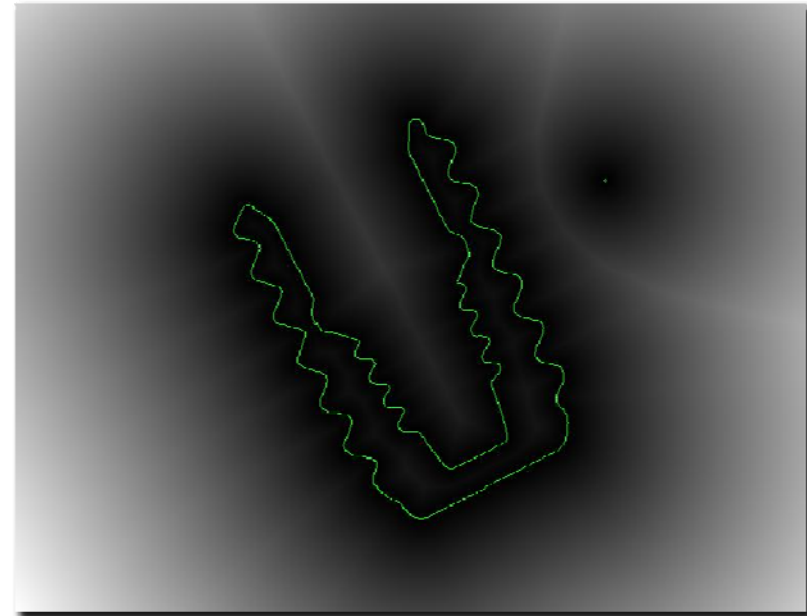
- » Large volumes
 - » (about 500x500x250)
- » 6 degrees of freedom
- » Fast method required:
 - » **Chamfer Matching** for matching the bone region
 - » Rotation about the implant symmetry axis (ISV) for a complete registration





Chamfer Matching

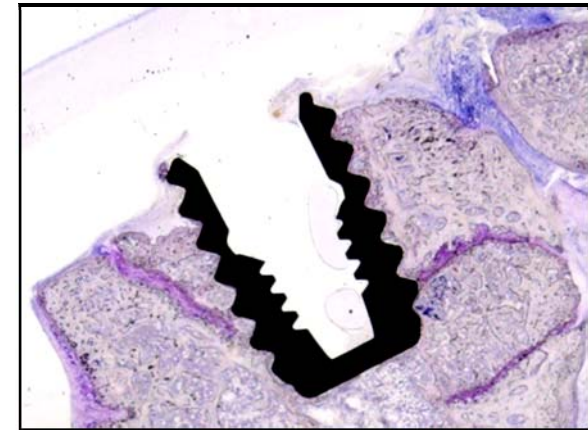
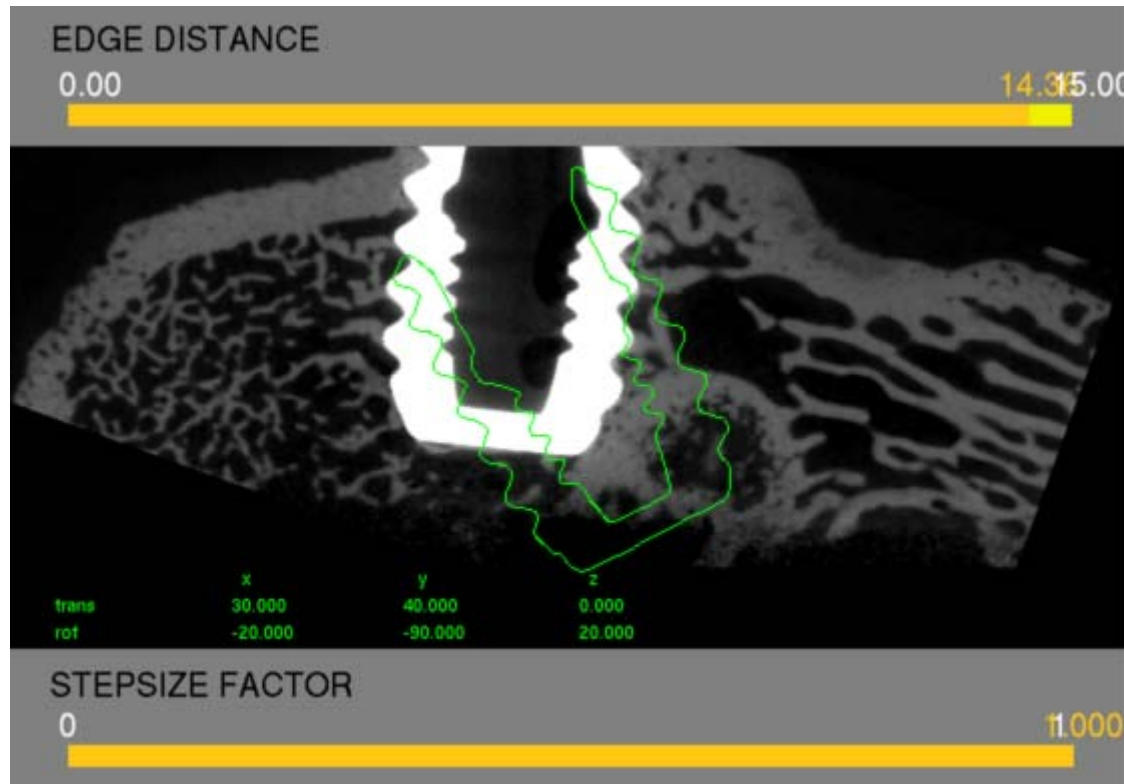
- » 24 initial positions
- » Converging to a matching slice by minimizing the edge distance
- » Distance transform of the implant edge in the histological slice
- » Hierarchical in the sense that the step size is decreasing for each level



(Matching performed in 3D)



Visualizing CM





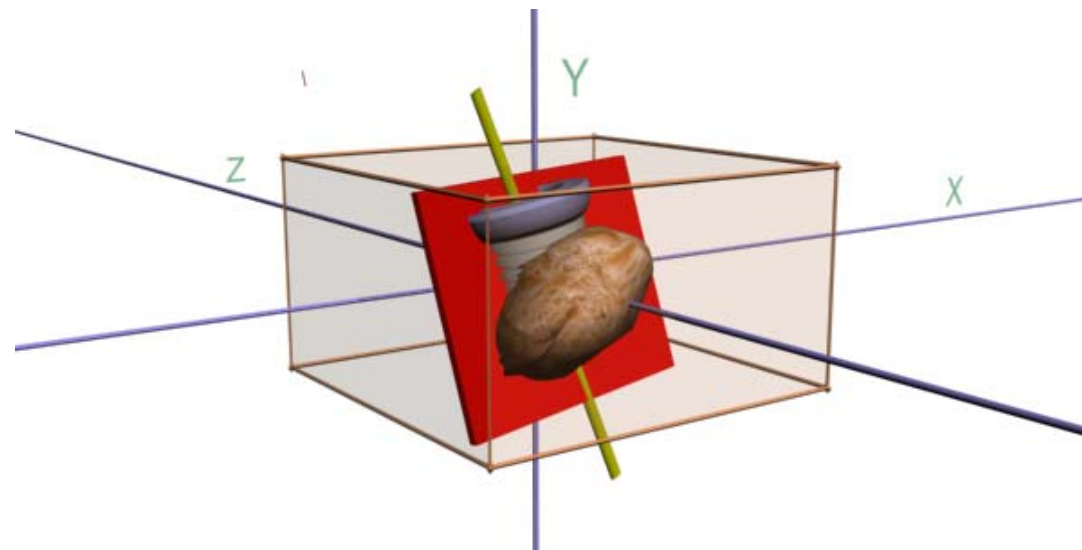
Step II

- » Chamfer-matching is not enough
 - » Rotation about the implant's symmetry vector (**ISV**) required
- » The distance between two center of thread crests ~ 0.4 mm, that is ~ 35 pxls
- » The implant can rotate around ISV up to about 10 degrees before the threads are shifted one pixel



Implant Symmetry Vector

- » The axis where the variance of the segmented implant is largest is considered to be the ISV
- » This axis is found using PCA
- » Optimal rotation found by maximizing Normalized Mutual Information



Implant Symmetry Vector (ISV)

Making use of the GPU

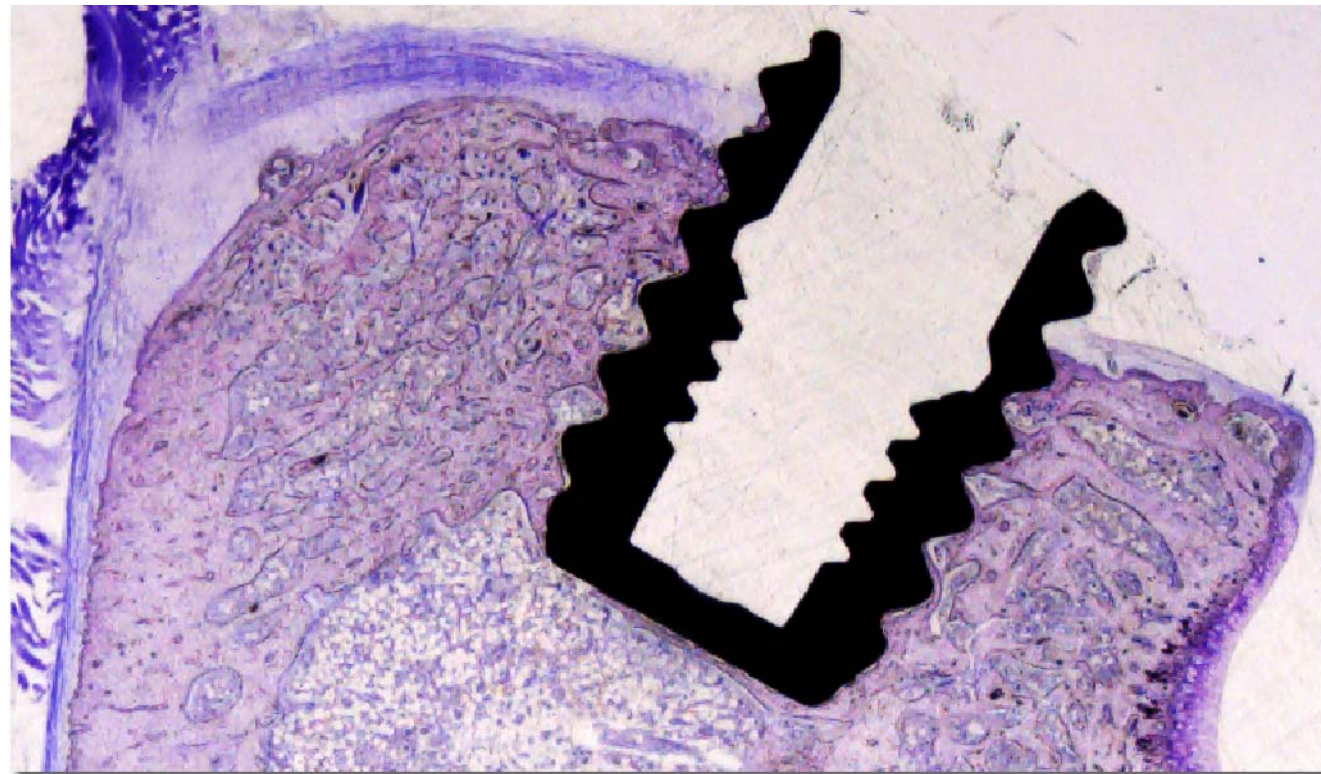


- » **Extracting slice from a volume**
 - » This operation in Matlab is indeed time consuming
 - » Rather done on the GPU
- » **Obstacles:**
 - » Fitting the volume into the texture memory
 - » **Matlab and C++ interaction**
 - » Solved in Linux by *shared memory, piping*
 - » In Windows ?
 - » OpenGL Utility Toolkit requires a window



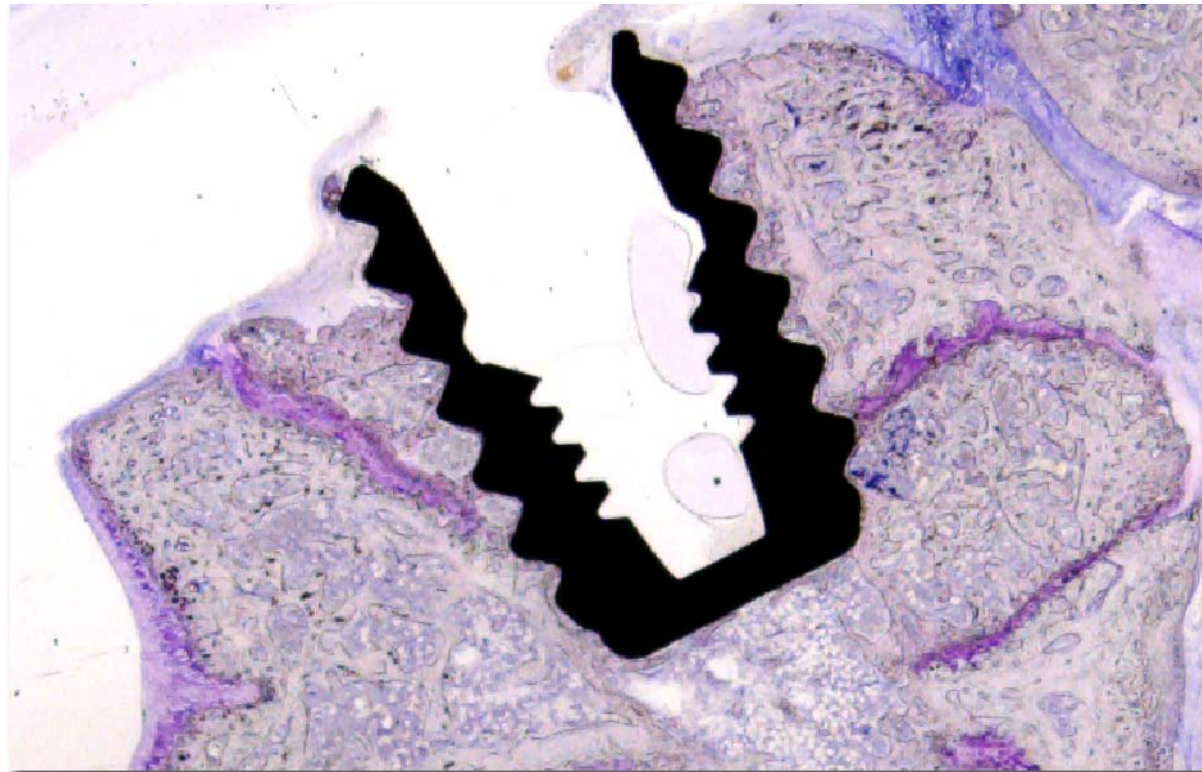


Results: Sample 1



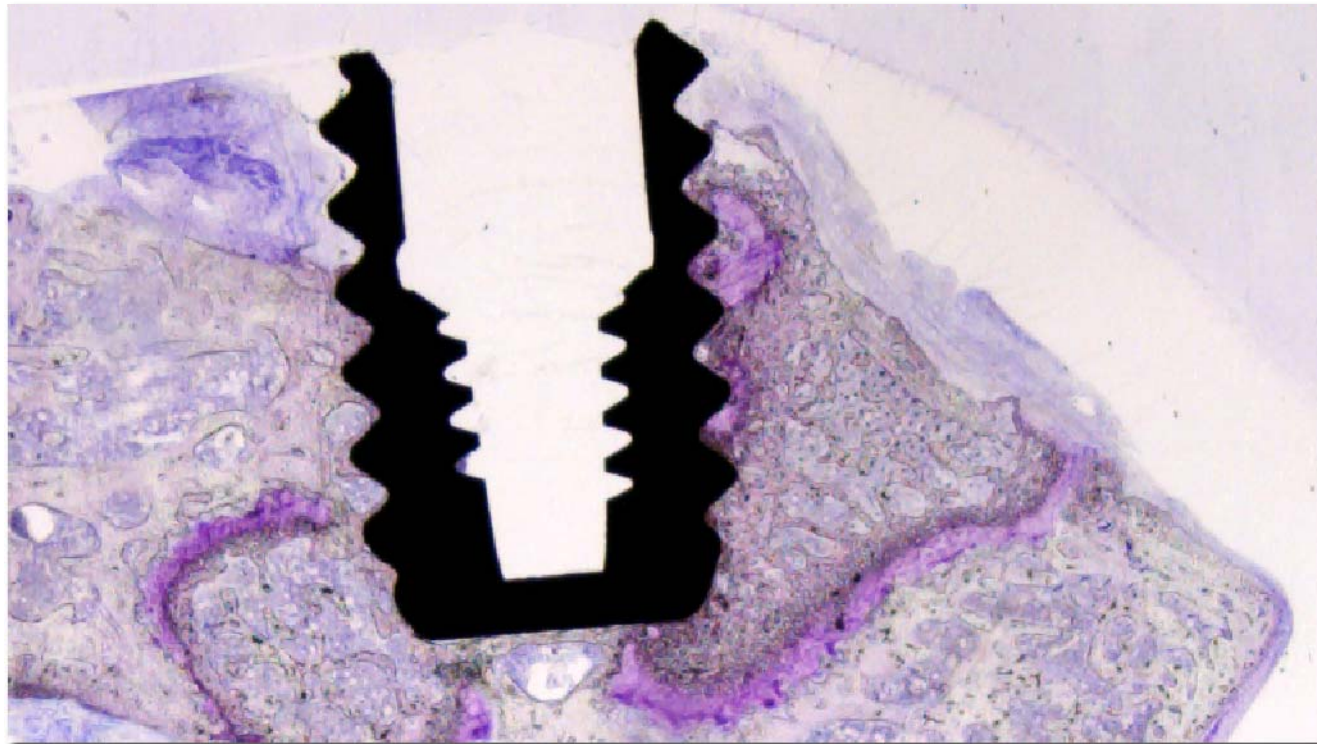


Results: Sample II





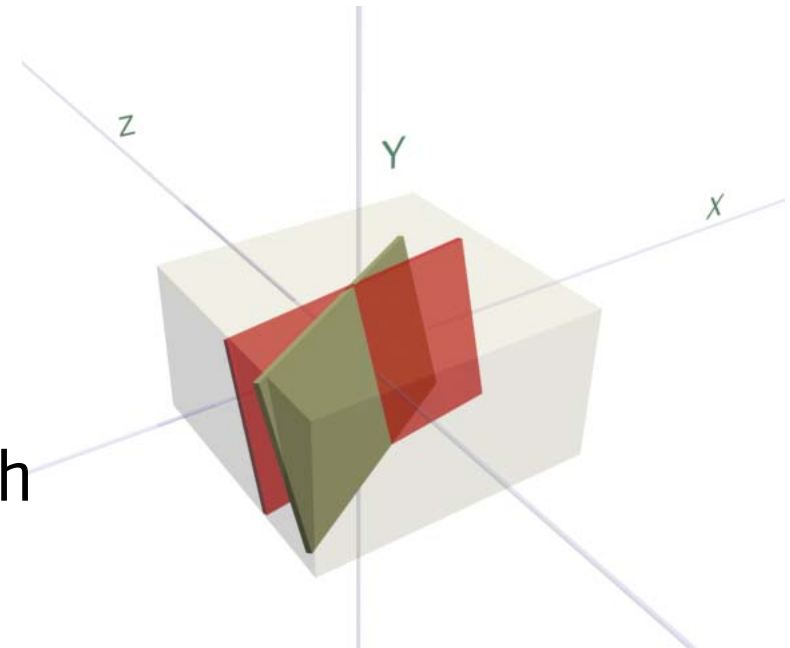
Result III





Method Verification

- » No ground truth
- » Performance evaluated on monomodal registration:
- » A slice from the volume with known coordinates is extracted
- » This slice is then registered with the volume
- » The average difference of the vertices is considered the registration error



Red slice: manually extracted slice
Green slice: registered slice



Registration Error

	Failed registrations (error > 5%)	Error among successful registrations
No noise	4%	0.60%
Gaussian noise added ($\sigma = 0.05$)	16%	1.70%

~7 min / registration



Conclusions & Discussion

- » Robust and reliable using Chamfer Matching
 - » that is: when the segmentation is performed easily
 - » Large number of initial positions required
 - » shown to give yield a more reliable result than Simulated Annealing
 - » GPU acceleration necessary for fast registration of large volumes

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