

Digital Twins in Computational Medicine

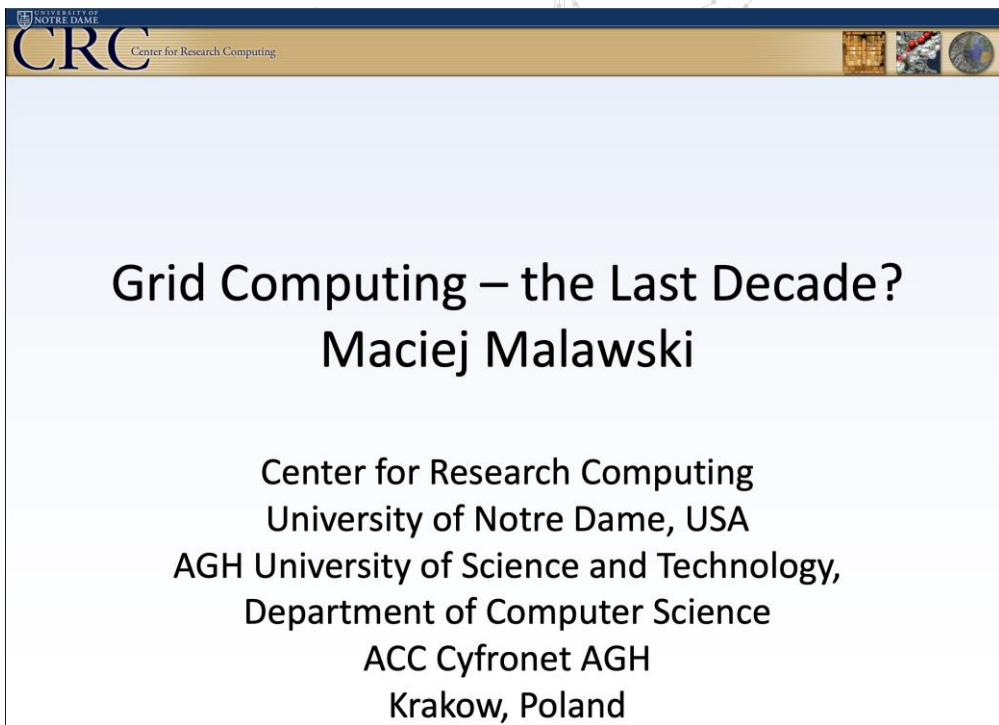
Large Scale Computing and Virtual Reality

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12 years ago

- From Grid to Cloud
- High levels of abstraction / programming -> Serverless computing



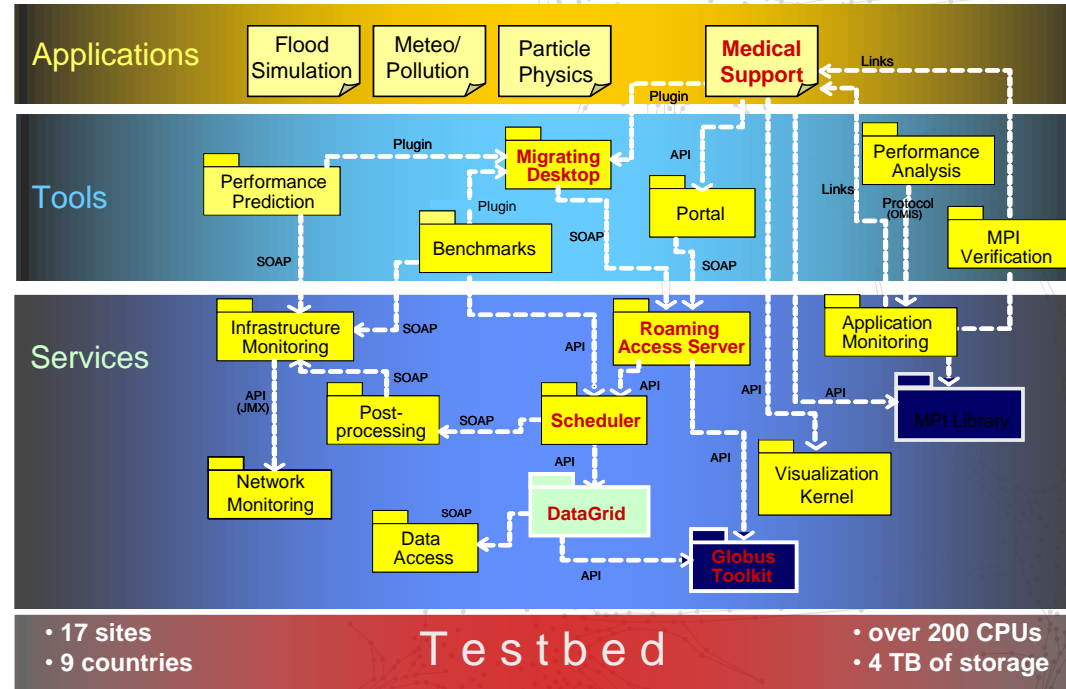
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Grid Computing – the Last Decade?
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20 years ago - CrossGrid

- “Sister” project of GridLab
- “Interactive grid”
- Particle physics
- Medical applications



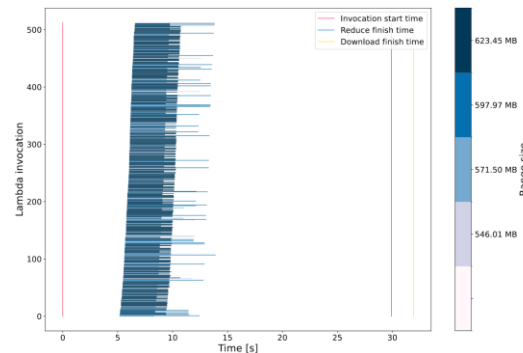
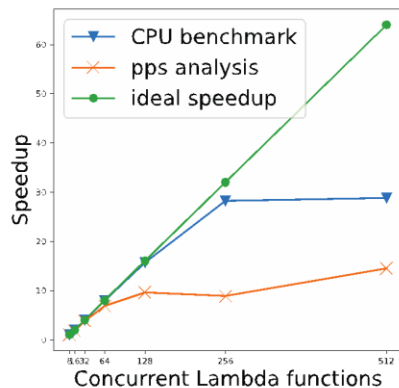
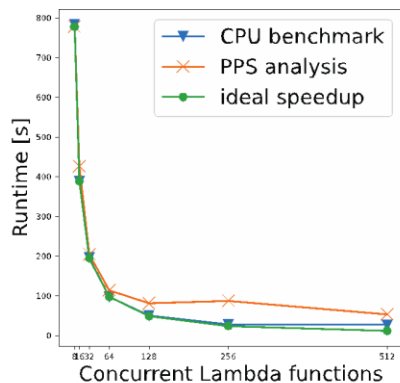
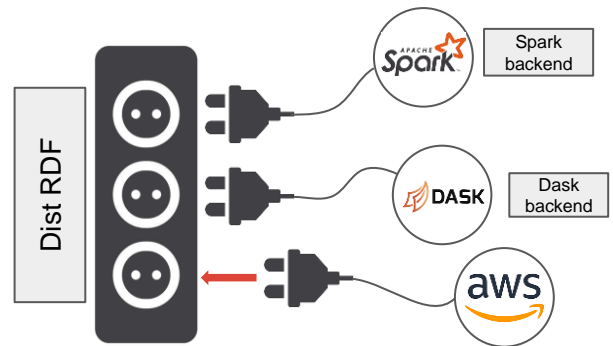
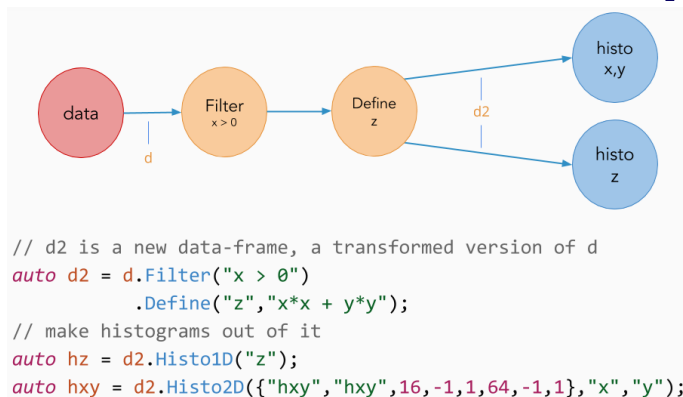
Serverless computing

High-level abstractions

Serverless computing for High Energy Physics

Speedup from hours to minutes + Jupyter interface = interactivity

- ROOT C++ analysis framework <https://root.cern>
- RDataFrame in Python
- Experiments on data from CMS (Compact Muon Solenoid) experiment at CERN



Medical applications

Computing



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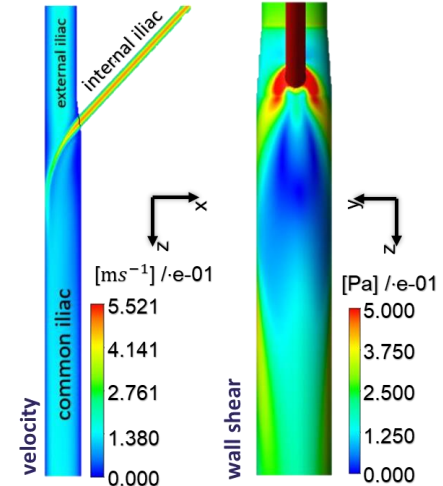
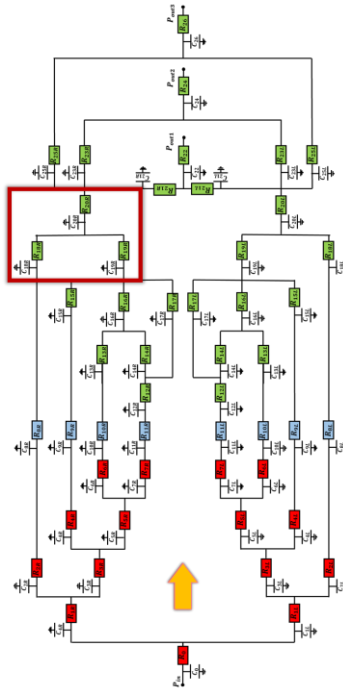
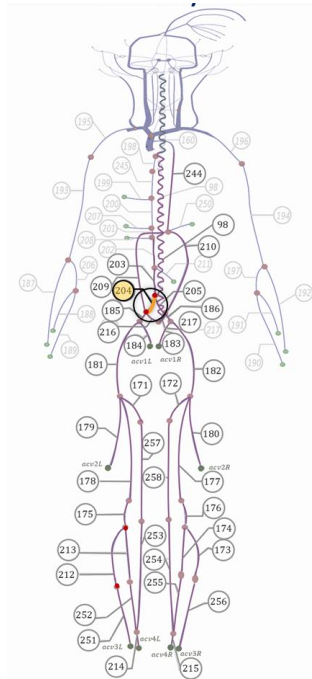
New research institution in Krakow
European Centre of Excellence
5 research Teams
100 People



Digital Twin / Virtual Human Twin (VHT)



- Digital, mathematical representation of human body
- VHT is an infrastructure that makes it easier to develop and validate digital twins.

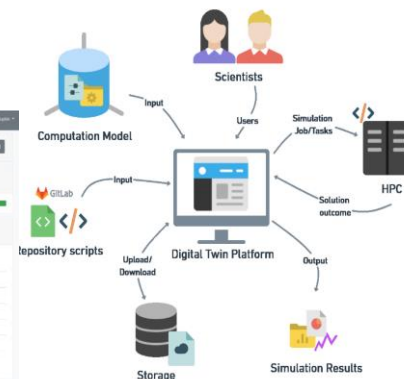
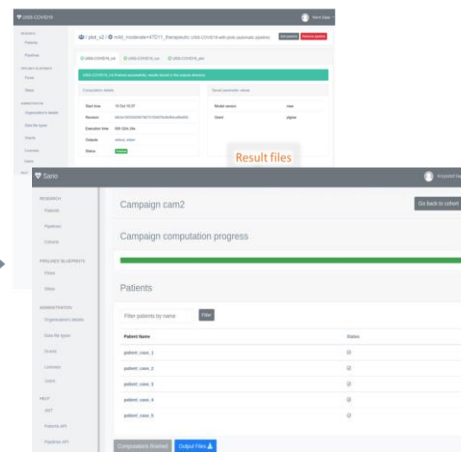


Platform for Simulations of Digital Twins Model Execution Environment

Jan Meizner, Karol Zajac, Adam Nowak, Krzysztof Gadek,
Piotr Nowakowski



- Web-based system for management of multi-step computational pipelines on HPC systems
- Patient data-centered workflows:
 - Steps -> Pipelines -> Campaigns
 - Patients -> Cohorts
- Models implemented as software artifacts
 - Versioning: GitHub, GitLab
 - Comparison of results
 - **Reproducibility** -> Robust Science
- File management (HPC storage, Cloud storage)
- Usage in In Silico World EU Project
- Collaboration with Univ. Bologna, Univ. van Amsterdam, KU Leuven
- **Example campaign: 10 000 simulation runs** of BoneStrength application (osteoporosis)



Marek Kasztelnik, Piotr Nowakowski, Jan Meizner, Maciej Malawski, Adam Nowak, Krzysztof Gadek, Karol Zajac, Antonino Amedeo La Mattina, Marian Bubak: Digital Twin Simulation Development and Execution on HPC Infrastructures. ICCS (2) 2023: 18-32

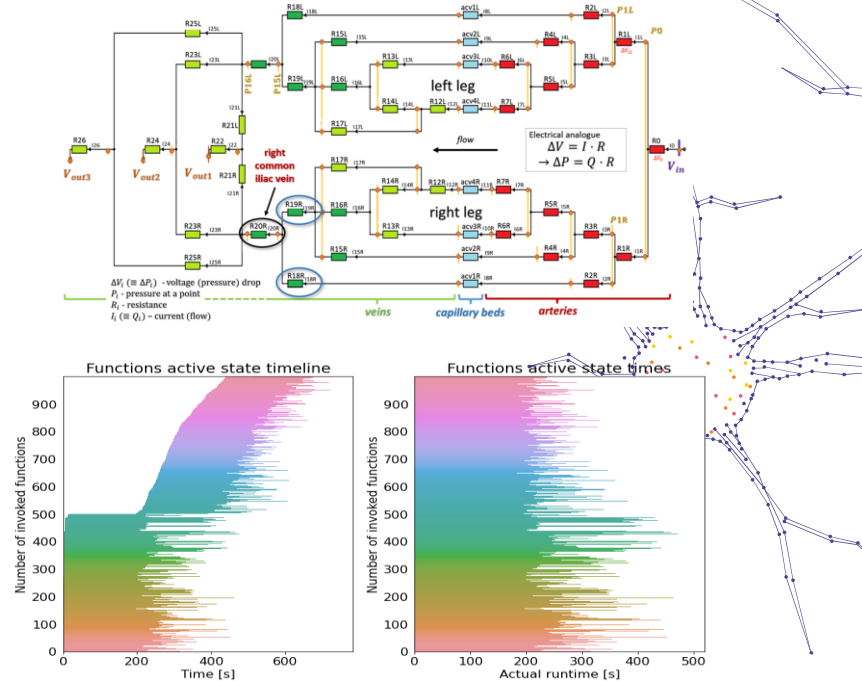
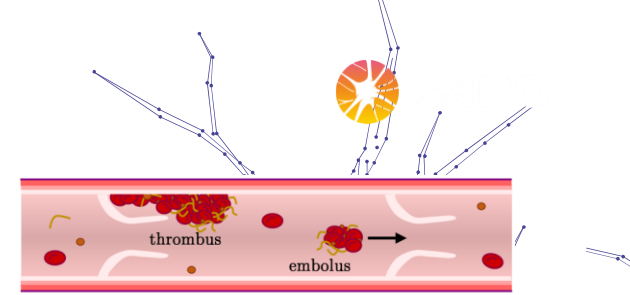
- <https://mee.cyfronet.pl/>

Verification, Validation, Uncertainty Quantification of simulation models

Magdalena Otta, Piotr Kica

- 0D, 1D, 3D models of cardiovascular systems
- Example: Venous modelling to inform treatment of patients presenting with lower limb thrombosis (PhD project with University of Sheffield)
- VVUQ, Sensitivity analysis - required in the regulatory process of model certification
- Large parameter studies
 - 50 000 parameters -> tasks
- CloudVVUQ library using serverless computing, based on EasyVVUQ library
- Total time to compute locally $\approx 76.1\text{h}$
- Total time to compute using Google Cloud $\approx 12.5\text{min}$
- <https://github.com/SanoScience/CloudVVUQ>

Piotr Kica, Magdalena Otta, Krzysztof Czechowicz, Karol Zajac, Piotr Nowakowski, Andrew J. Narracott, Ian Halliday, Maciej Malawski: Serverless Approach to Sensitivity Analysis of Computational Models, CCGrid 2023



500 tasks running in parallel

AI and Virtual Reality

Medical applications

VR / AR

- On-line games
- Virtual „friends”



<https://venturebeat.com/games/5-ways-to-build-the-mobile-gaming-metaverse/>

<https://www.wired.com/story/what-is-the-metaverse/>

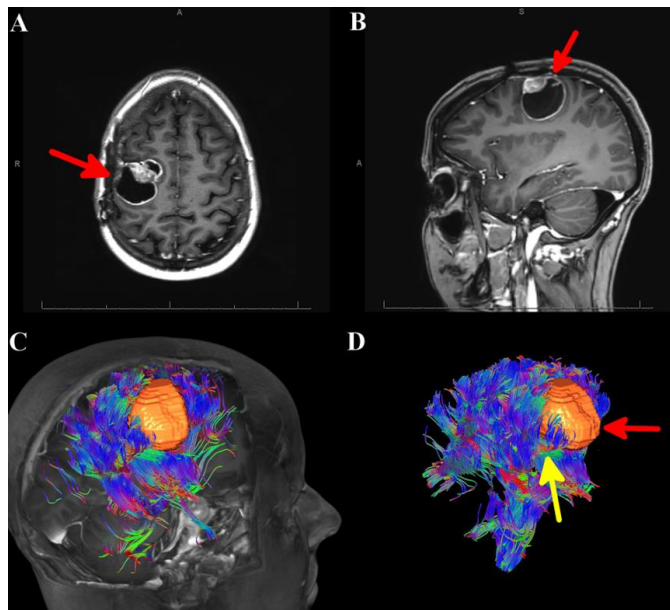
<https://replika.com/>

Brain tumor surgical planning and prediction

Joan Falco-Roget, Alex Crimi et al.



- A trained model is able to predict the brain connectivity of patients post-surgery and recovery
- Collaborations: University of Ghent for data, University of Messina and Padua for clinical support



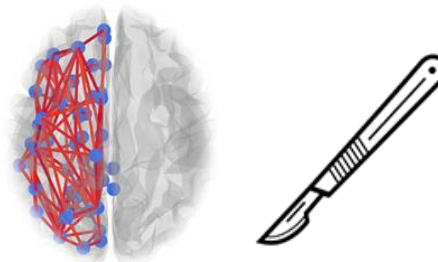
"Bayesian Filtered Generation of Post-surgical Brain Connectomes on Tumor Patients" J. Roget Falco, F. Sambataro, A. Cacciola, A. Crimi
MICCAI 2022

https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-031-21083-9_8

"Structural Reorganization Following a Brain Tumor: A Machine Learning Study Considering Desynchronized Functional Oscillations"

Nature Communication (to submit minor revision)

<https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2022.11.14.516248v2.abstract>



Pre-surgery
planning
to avoid
aphasia/motor
deficit

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Ongoing translation into clinical practice by the University Hospital of Palermo.

AR Data mapping of data and connectome prediction from J. Falco-Roget et al.



Orthodontic Treatment Planning

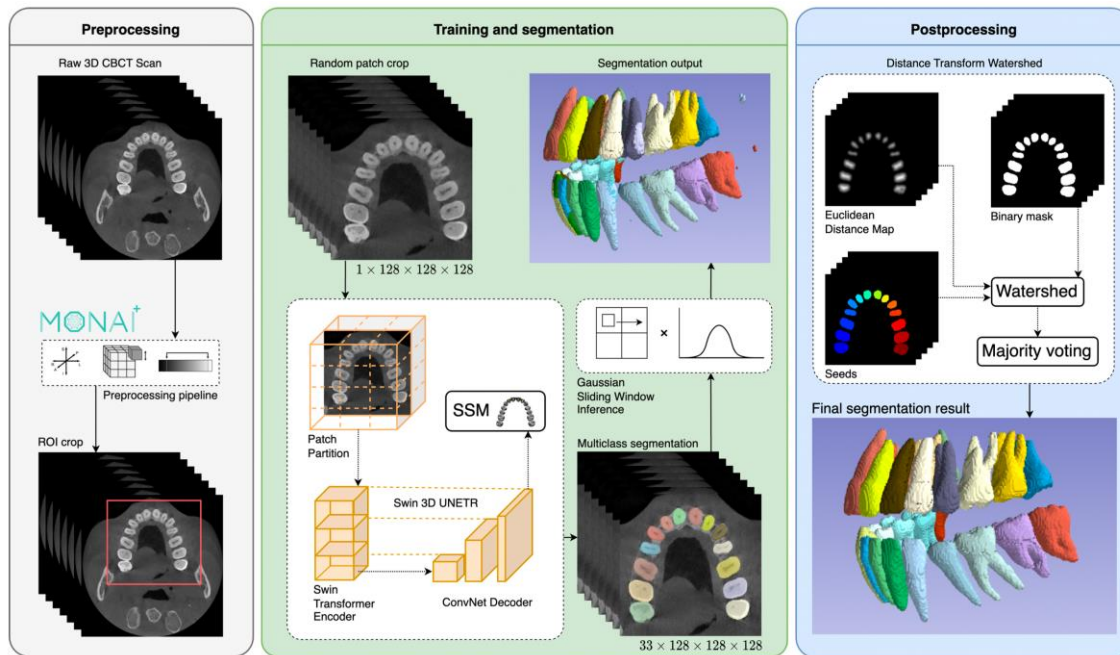
PhD Project by Tomasz Szczepański



Goal: Develop efficient automatic segmentation methods for CBCT scans to enhance orthodontic treatment planning due to the limitations of manual segmentation.

Research Results: Introduced a novel model for tooth segmentation and classification, utilizing global context and morphological insights from standard male and female dentition.

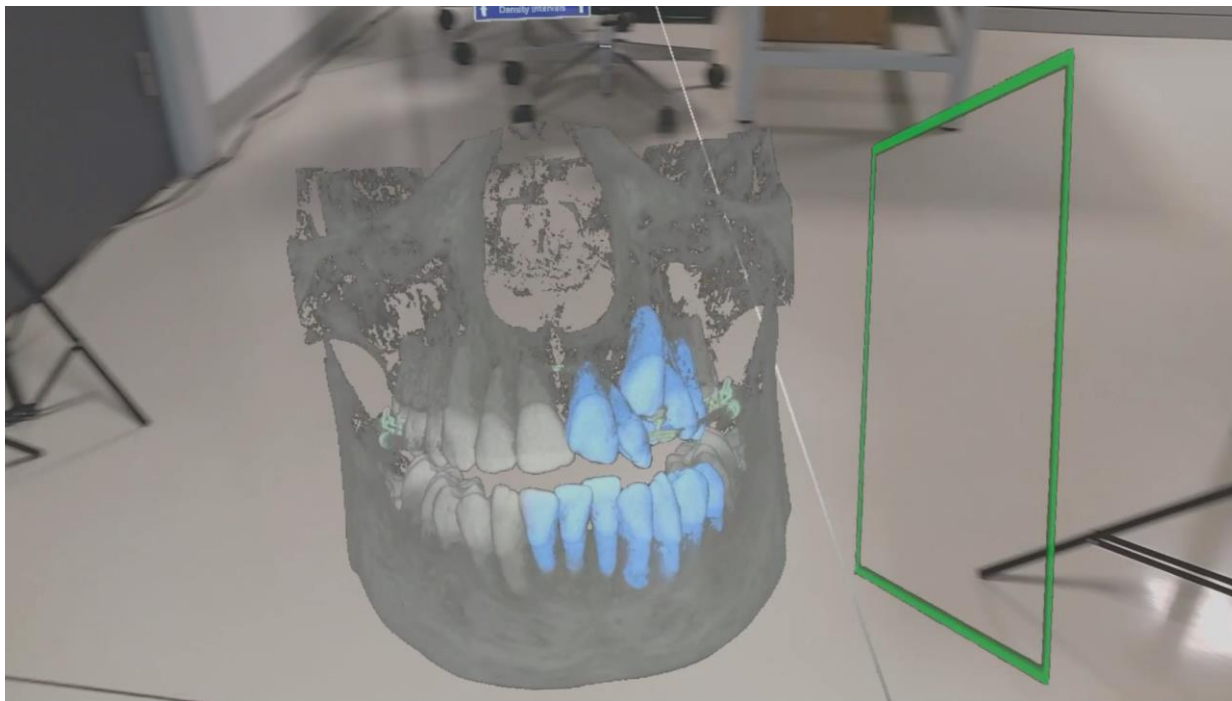
In cooperation with: Prof. Piotr Fudalej, President Elect of European Orthodontic Society, Collegium Medicum Jagiellonian University



Automatic tooth segmentation on CBCT using a machine learning algorithm, 24th Conference of Polish Orthodontic Society
Tooth Segmentation from CBCT Scans Using Dentition-Based Learning, Harvard Global Symposium on AI in Dentistry
DENTNet: 3D Tooth Instance Segmentation from CBCT Scans with Geometry Prior-Assisted Learning, 7th edition of ML in PL
Tomasz Szczepański, Szymon Płotka, Arleta Adamowicz, Piotr Fudalej, Przemysław Korzeniowski, Tomasz Trzciński, Arkadiusz Sitek

The overview of the proposed method. In pre-processing, we automatically extract teeth ROI from the CBCT scan. Then, we fed randomly cropped patches of ROI to the SwinUNETR, which is optimized with dentition-based loss leveraging a statistical shape model (SSM). In post-processing, we obtain the final segmentation result with watershed transform and majority voting.

Example: tooth segmentation + AR



Example – orthodontic imaging



Virtual Reality Surgical Simulators

Przemysław Korzeniowski



Goal: Given the challenges of fetoscopic Spina Bifida repair, there's a growing need for effective training. Computer-based VR simulation systems present a solution, offering a safe and adaptable training platform without ethical concerns.

Result: A simulation validation study, involving feedback from 14 clinicians, rated the system's realism at 4.07 out of 5. Its applicability for SB-repair training and laparoscopic skill acquisition received scores of 4.63 and 4.80, respectively.

Next Steps: There's an intent to refine the simulator based on clinician feedback and then pursue broader clinical research, such as skill transferability and construct validity evaluations.

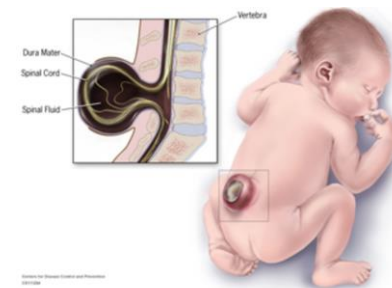
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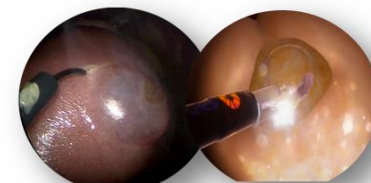
Validation study participants



Simulator setup with haptic laparoscopic interface



Spina Bifida



Real (on the left) and simulated surgery (on the right)



Fetoscopic Spina Bifida Repair Simulator sano



Predictions for the next decade

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- Higher-level abstractions
 - Programming models
 - More elastic and dynamically autoscaling infrastructure
 - Serverless -> Cloudless computing (?)
- More interactivity
 - Shorter computing times
 - Faster response time
 - More capacity available locally
- Virtual reality - more real
 - HD Caves
 - VR/AR Goggles (Apple, Meta)
- AI
 - ?



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