

Haptic simulation of bone placement based on voxel models

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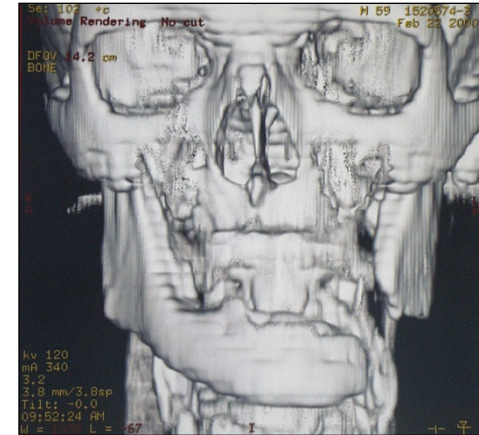
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Summary

- Problem Statement
- Volume Based Collision Detection
- Volume Collision Response
- Optimization
- Conclusions

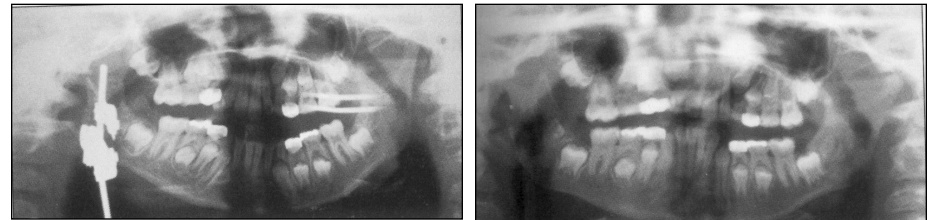
Corrective Jaw Surgery

Corrective jaw surgery (orthognathic surgery) aims at correcting acquired or inherited dentofacial defects



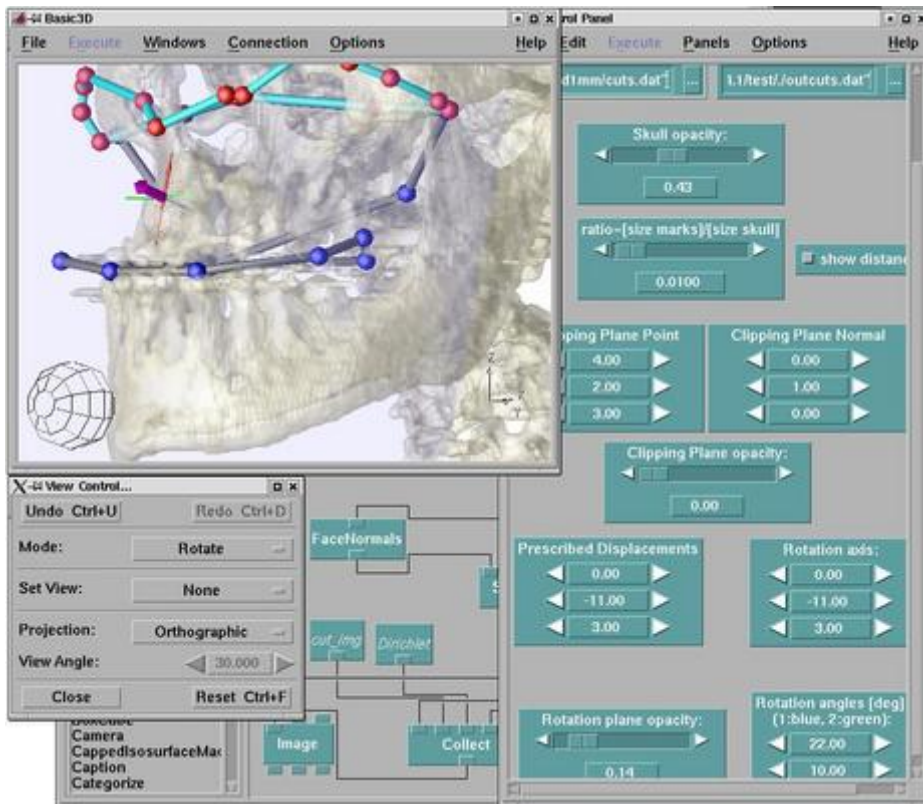
The standard technique consist in the creation of a plaster cast, that is then broken in a position and then aligned using a mechanical tool

Such procedure allows only one break of the plaster cast because of the cost of the casts itself

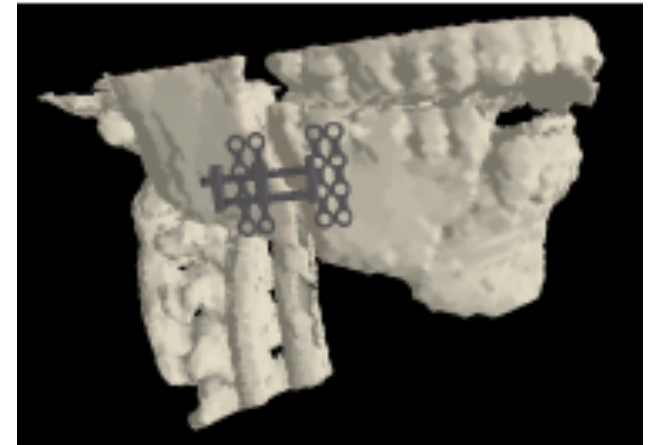


Virtual Osteotomy

Improve the procedure first by 3D tools, and then by Haptic manipulation

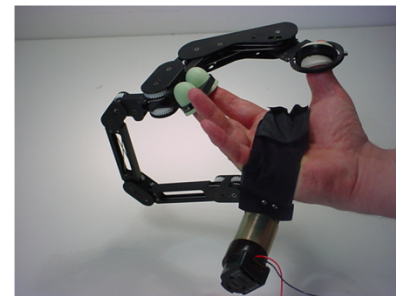


- Bone Cut
- Alignment
- Plaque placement



Haptic Feedback

- Kinesthetic and Tactile feedback can be applied in various aspect of Medicine:
 - Training, for simulating the interaction with tools
 - Robotic Minimally Invasive Surgery, for enhancing the operation feedback
 - Planning, for improving the interaction with the virtual elements
- Although there are many types of Haptic Interfaces the most common are the tool and the wearable ones

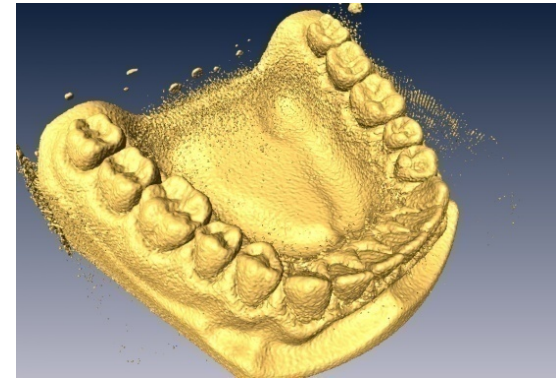


Haptic interaction approaches

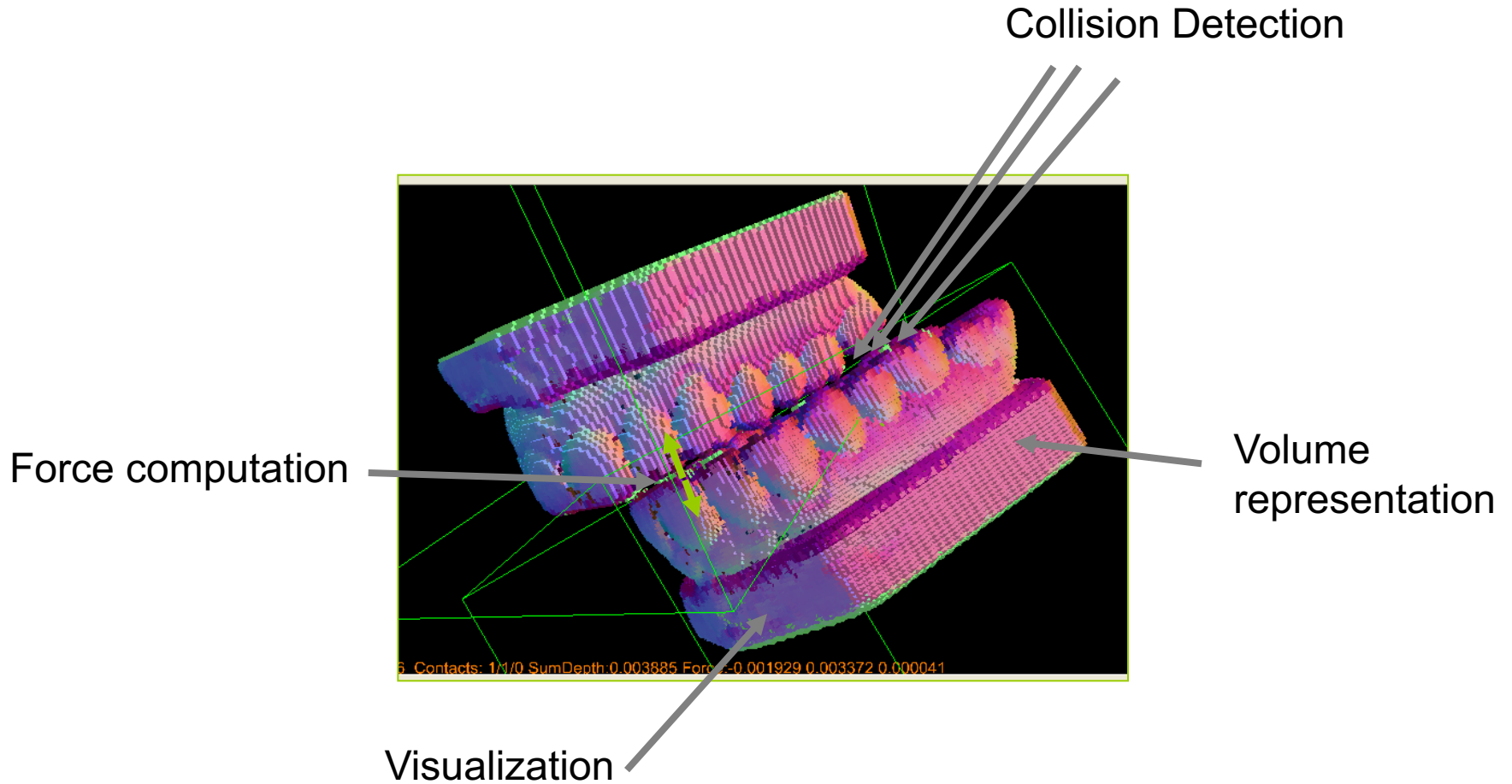
- The Haptic Feedback given to the user can be associated to a direct interaction of the haptic tool with a virtual object or generated for guidance and signaling.
- Initial Haptic Systems provided tool based interactions for the exploration of rigid surfaces or their manipulation
- The advancement of the interfaces and of the computational power allows the interaction with deformable surfaces and the manipulation of object with complete computation of the interaction
- The 6DOF haptic rendering is in particular useful for the manipulation of virtual objects

Objectives of the Work

- Provide a 6-DOF system for the haptic rendering of the contact between two complex bone models
- The source of data is a highly complex volumetric model, acquired with X-Ray
- Improve over the state of the art, the Voxel Point Shell algorithm
- The Haptic Rendering poses the strict requirement of a high frequency rate (1 kHz)



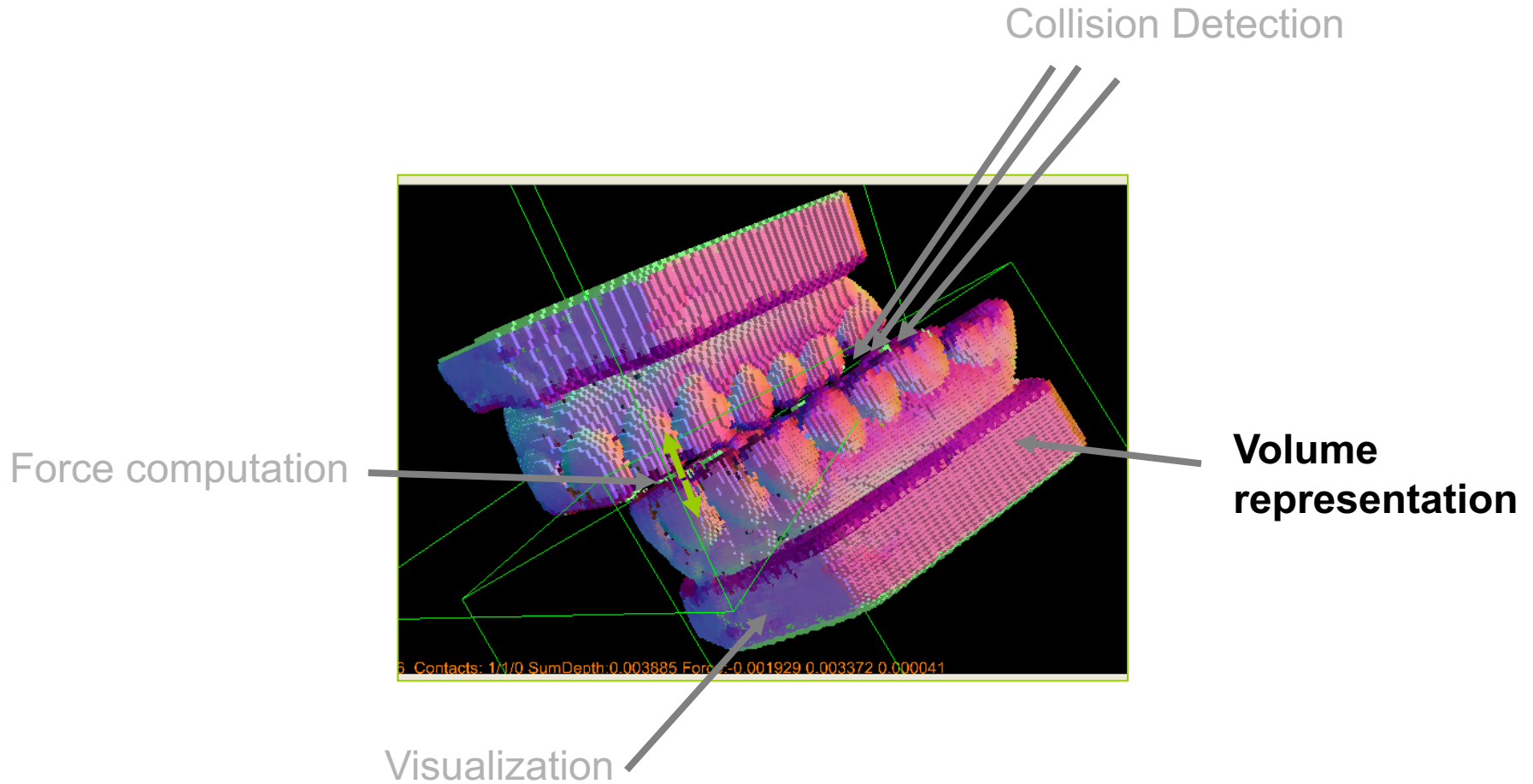
Overview of the solution



Challenges

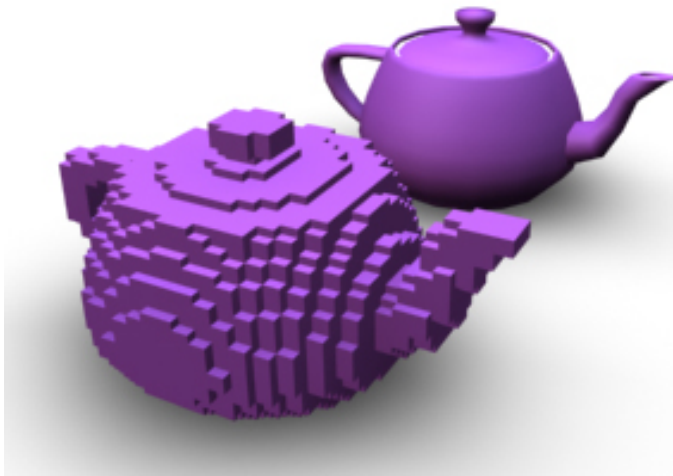
- Real-Time Interaction with Volumetric Data (haptic and visual)
 - Size of the data set
- Evaluation of the accuracy of the planning
 - Correctness of the alignment using reference points
 - Interaction is not necessary to be realistic

Overview of the solution



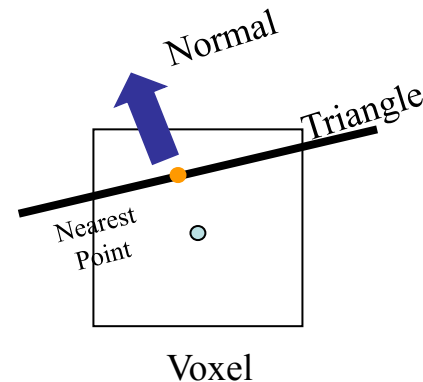
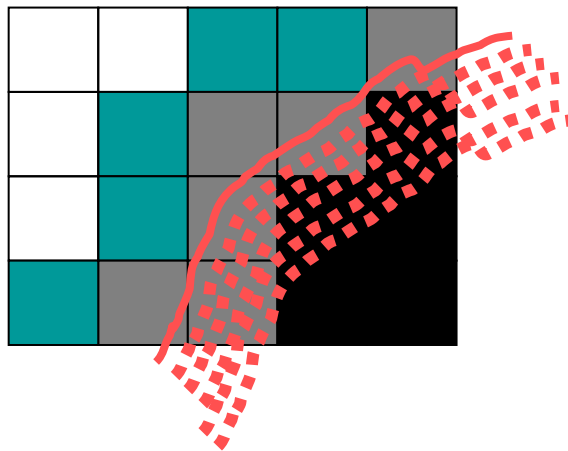
Volume Representation

- A Voxel representation of an object is a uniform space partitioning
- Arbitrary object geometry, also from imaging technologies



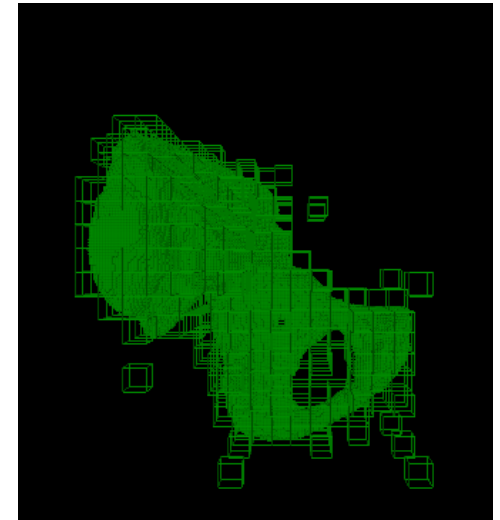
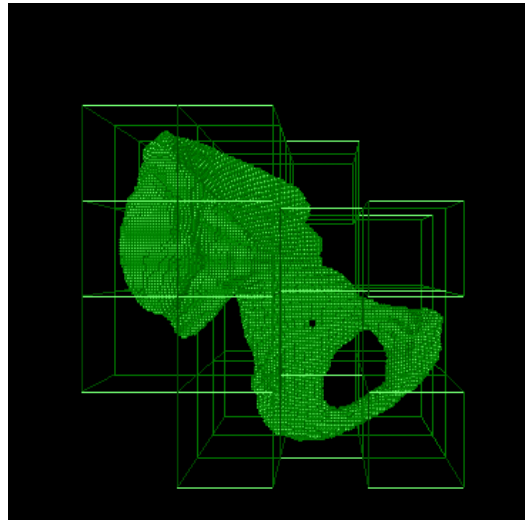
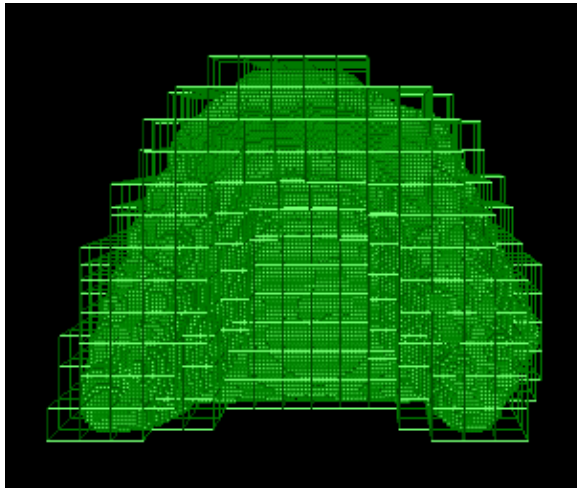
Voxel Content

- Every spatial cube can be empty or full. Additionally we define Surface and Proximity voxel
- Every voxel stores optionally distance, gradient, nearest primitive

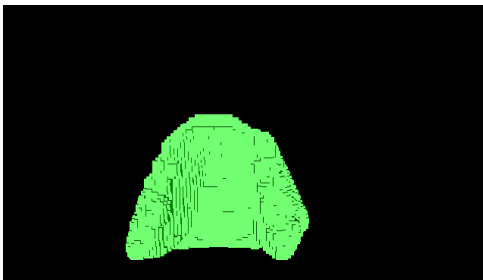
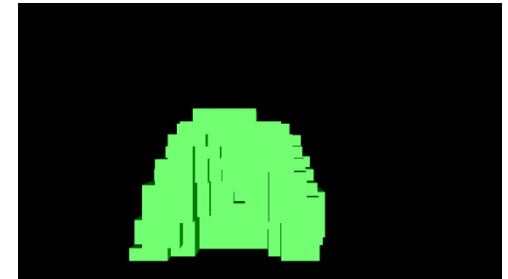
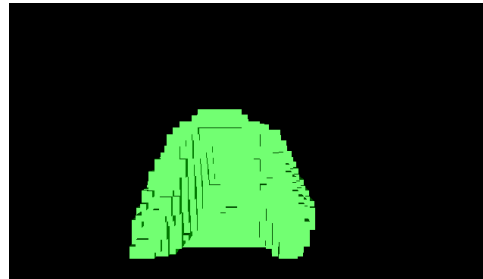
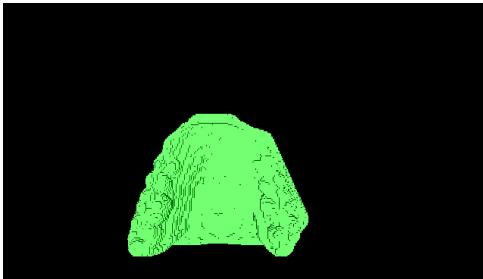
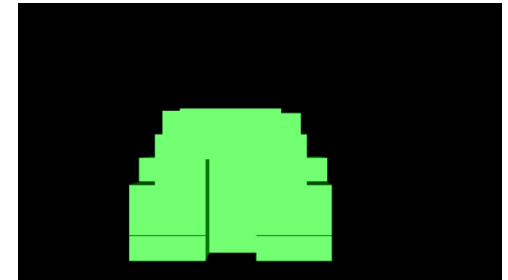
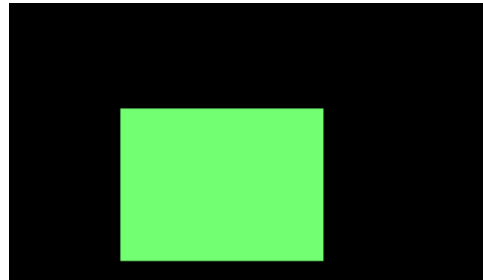


Volume Storage

- Uniform storage
 - Expensive
 - Not friendly to memory access
- Hashing
 - Improves over uniform
 - Still complex for spatial computations
- Hierarchical using Octrees
 - Optionally they can be generalized to more than 8 children per level



Octrees

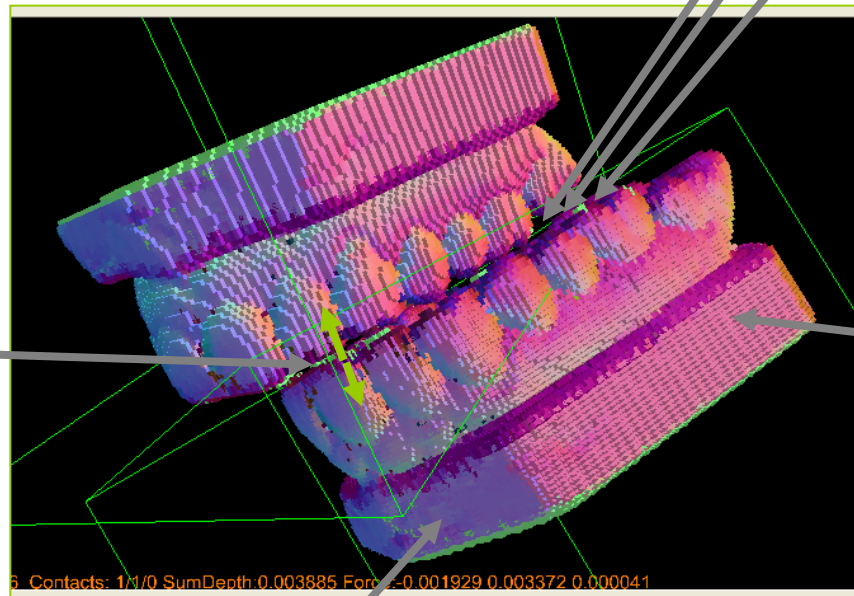


Example of Voxel model with side 128
Corresponding to 7 levels

Overview of the solution

Collision Detection

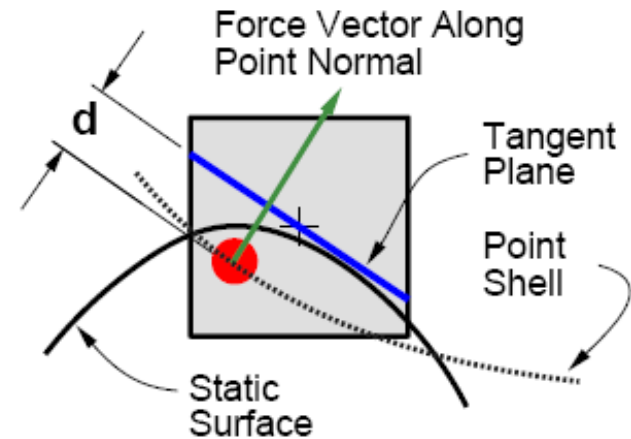
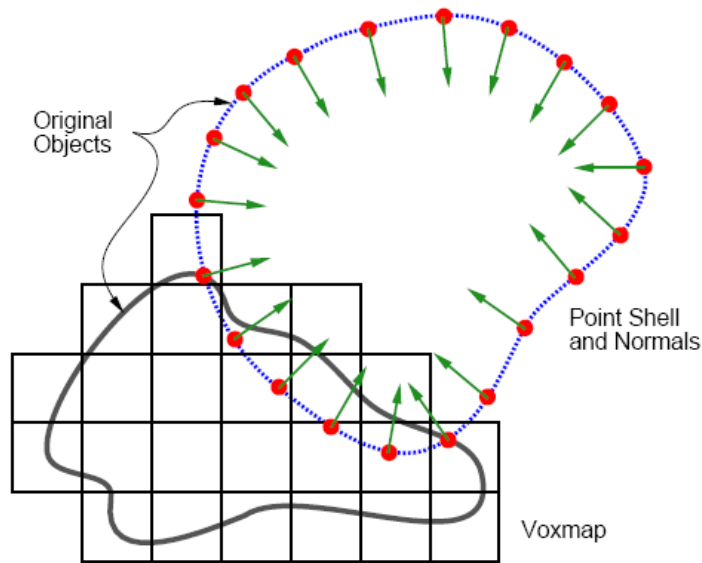
Force computation



Volume representation
• octree

Visualization

Reference Algorithm: Voxel PointShell

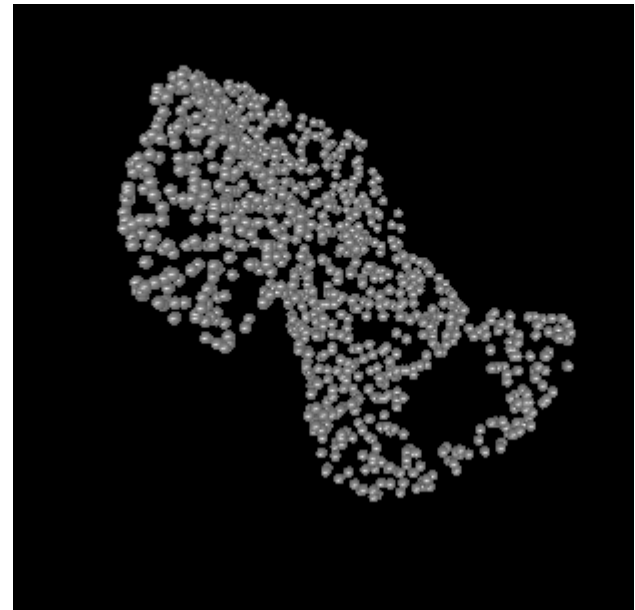
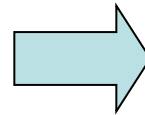
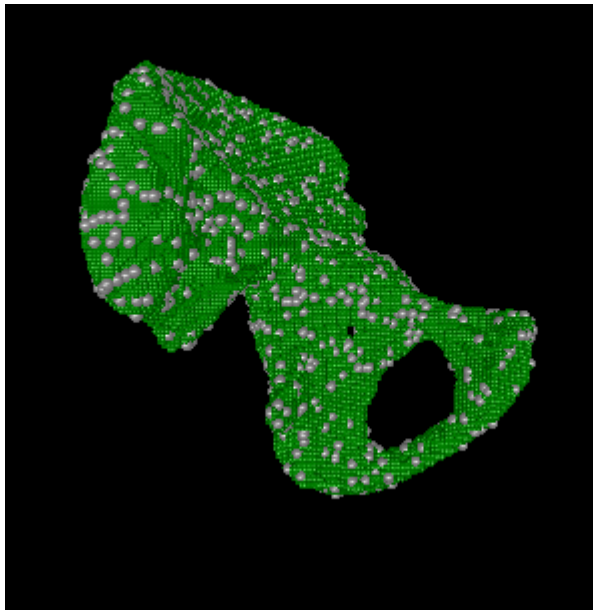


Test each surface point of the probing object against the static voxels of the world
Cost is limited by the number of points in the Shell

[McNeeily 1999,2005]

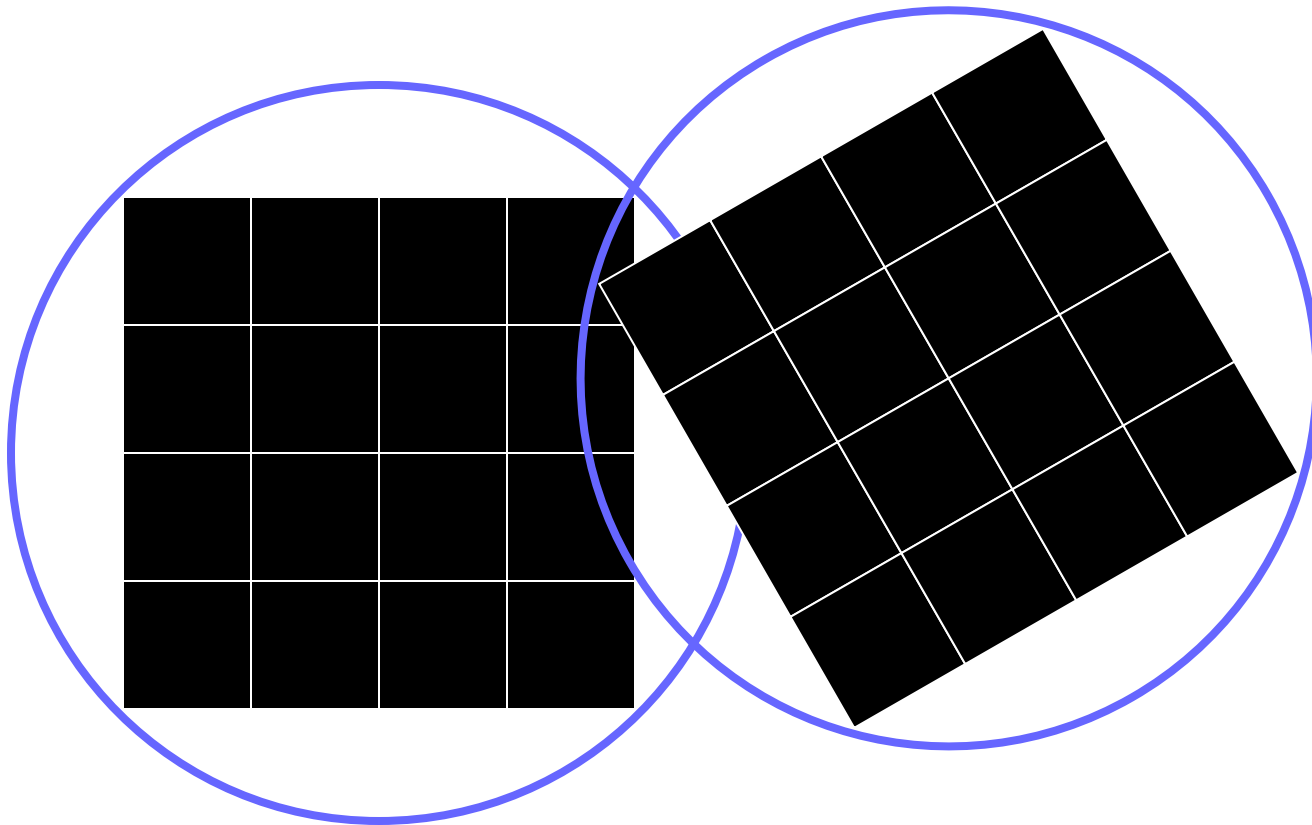
The force contribution of each collision is computed by a Tangent Plane Force Model

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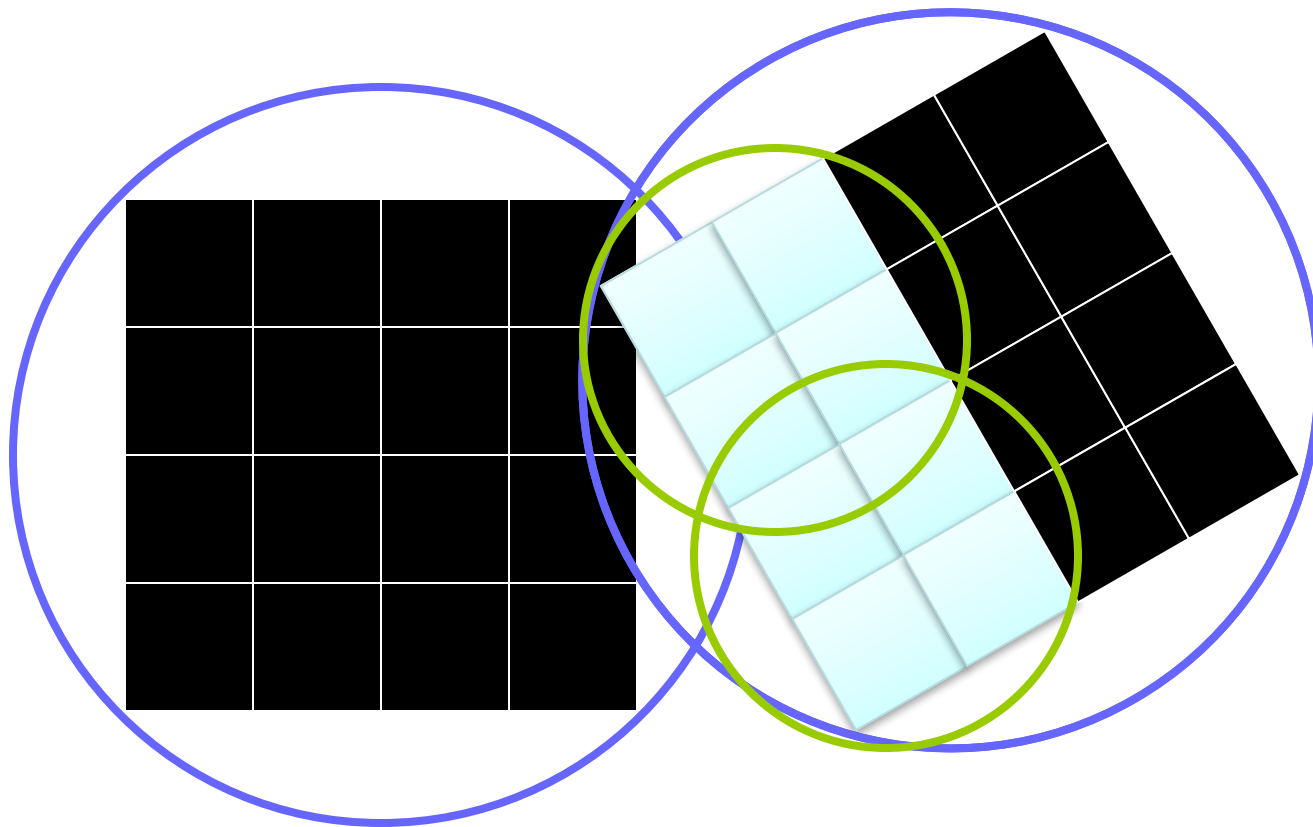
Implicit Sphere Tree

- Global collision scheme with reduced memory storage
- Same structure for collision and rendering
- Reference system invariant



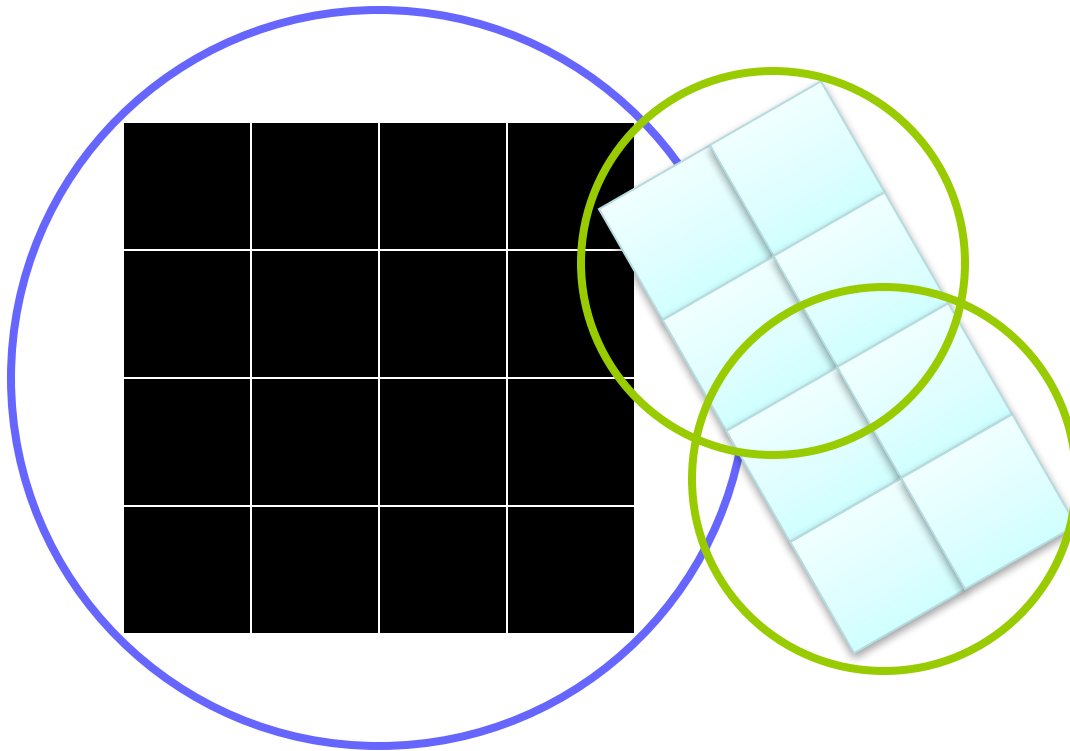
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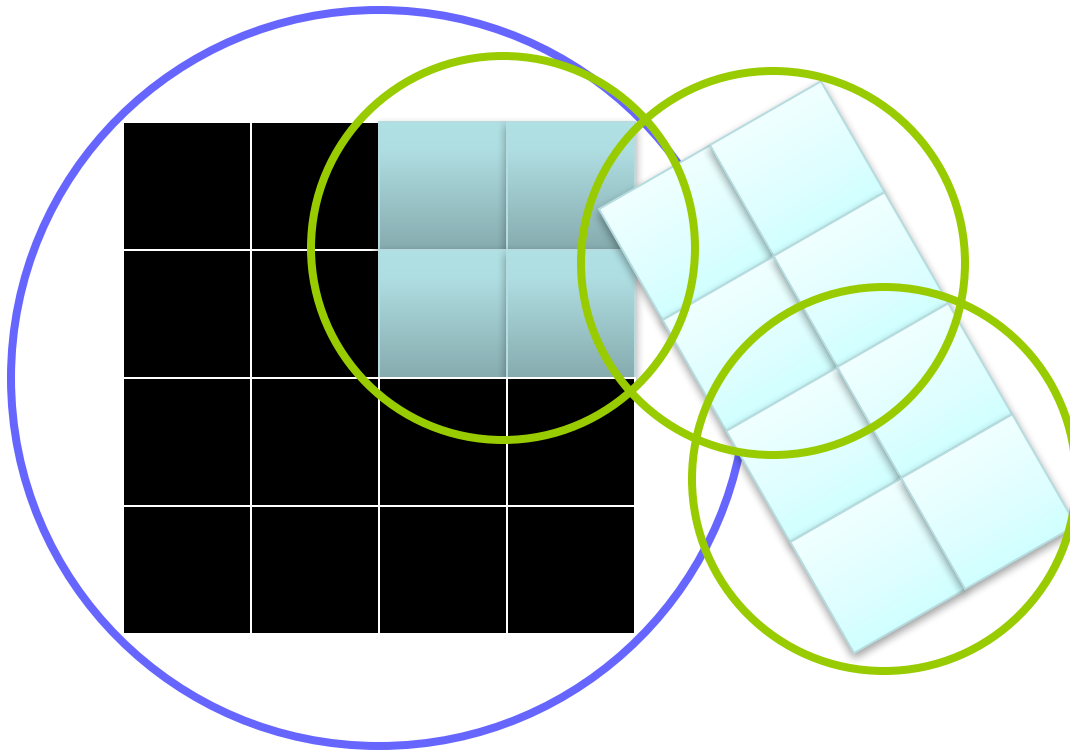
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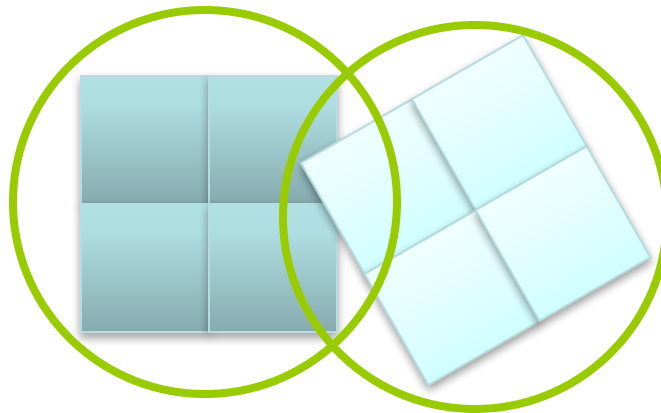
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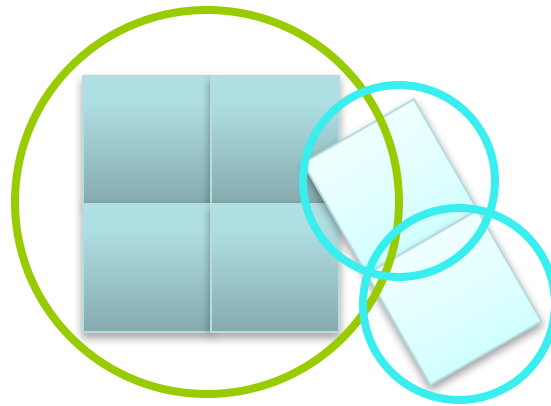
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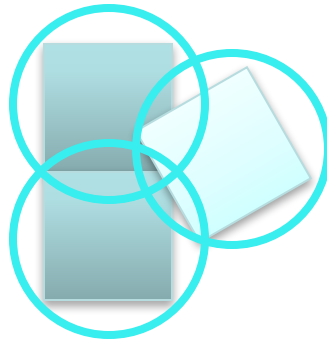
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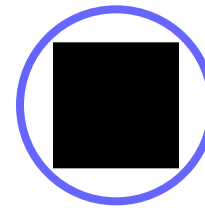
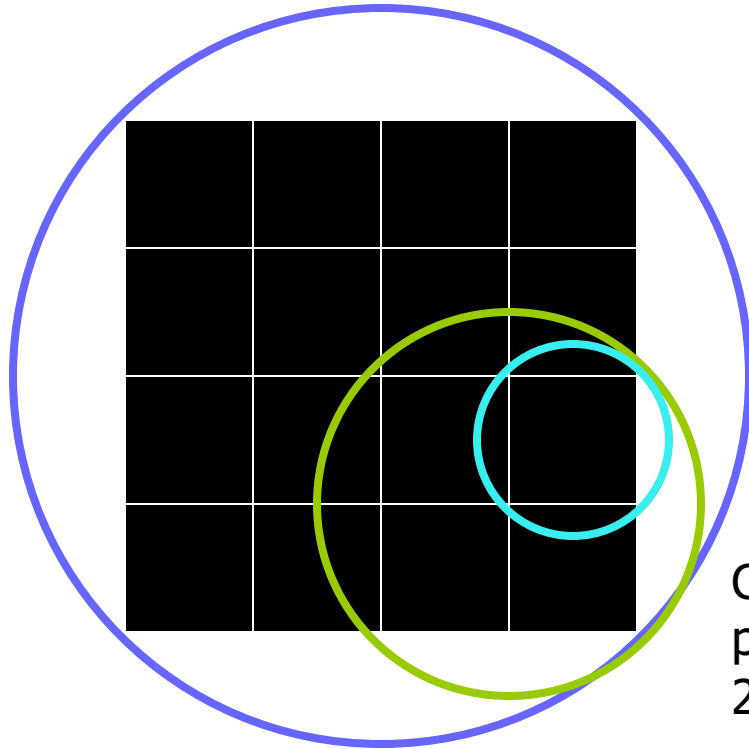
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Implicit circles for quadtree

An example with a two level quadtree



Voxel side s
Circle radius is $s/2 \sqrt{2}$

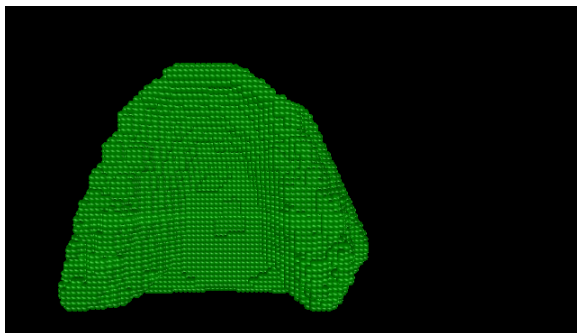
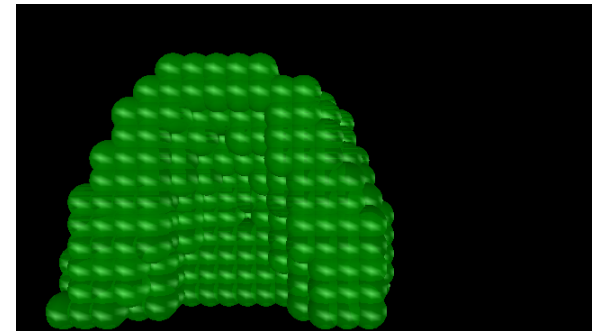
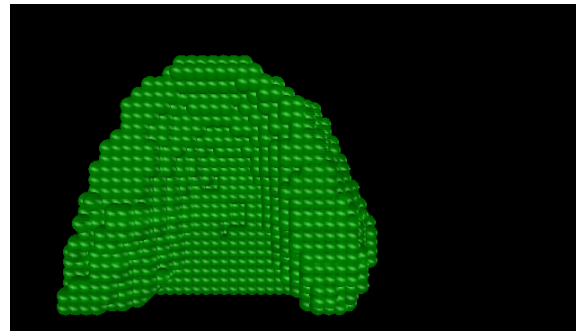
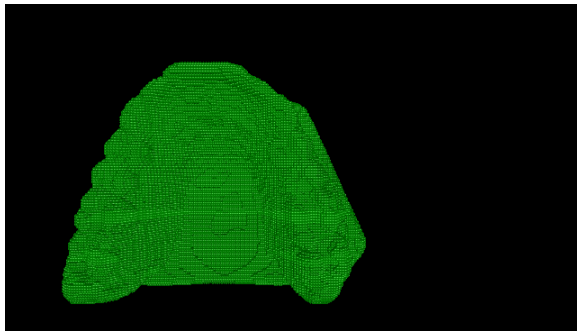
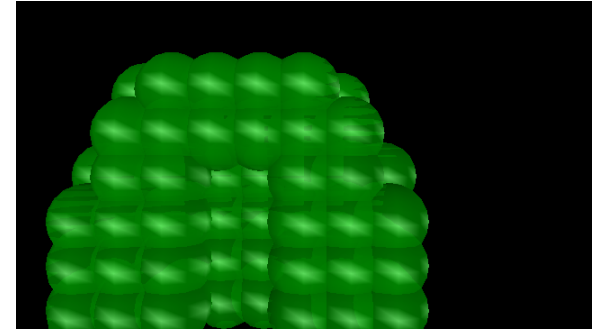
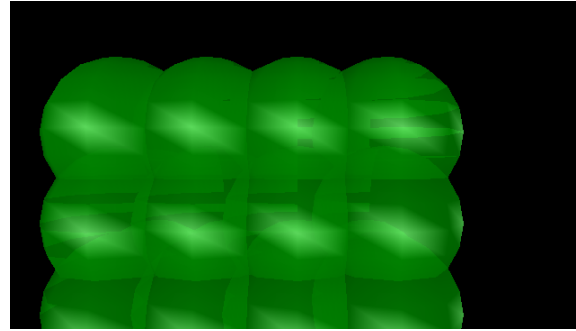
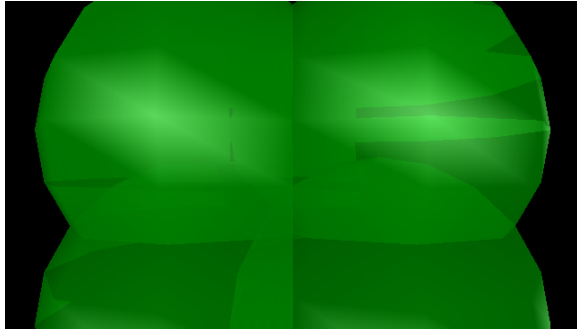
The four offsets of the children are precomputed and independent to the current radius

Child center is relative to parent center at level L by 2^{L-2}

Level = 2

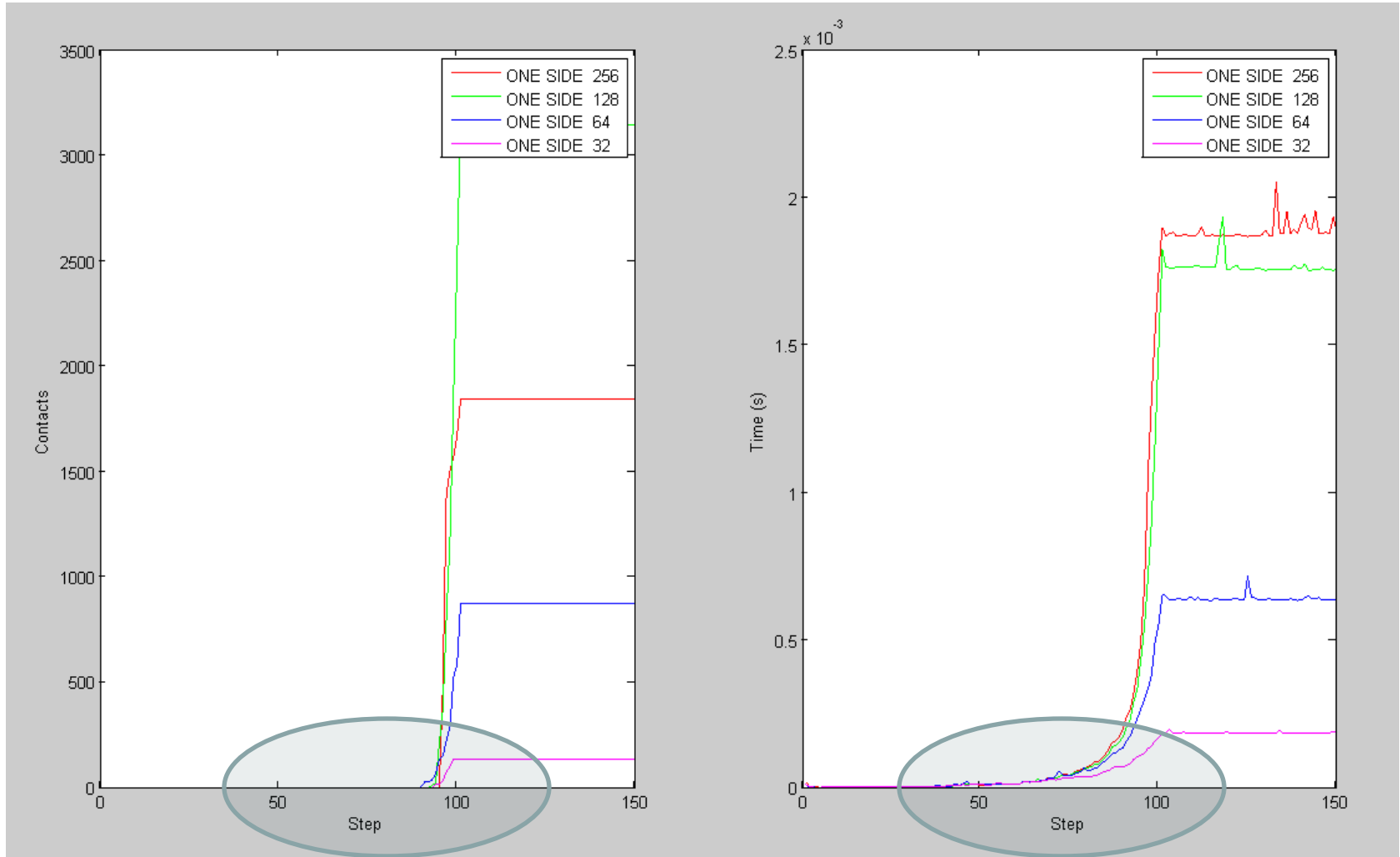
radius = $s 2^{L-1} \sqrt{2} = s/2$
center = origin

Implicit Sphere Tree Example



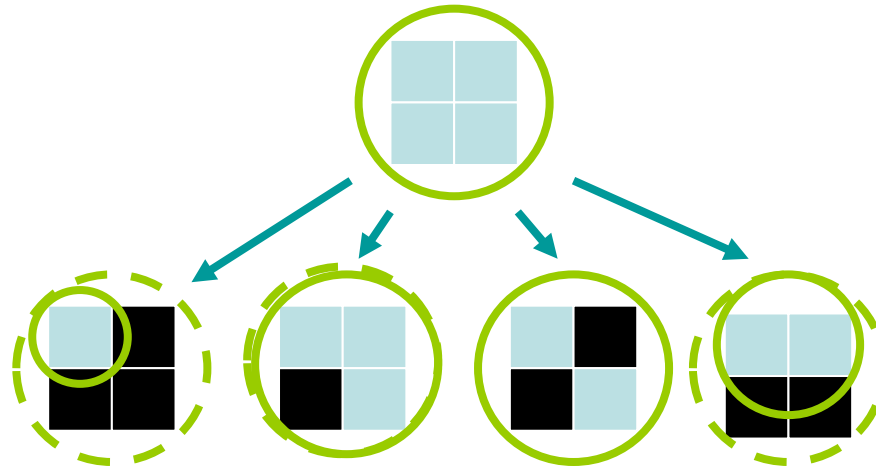
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Collision Detection Benchmarking

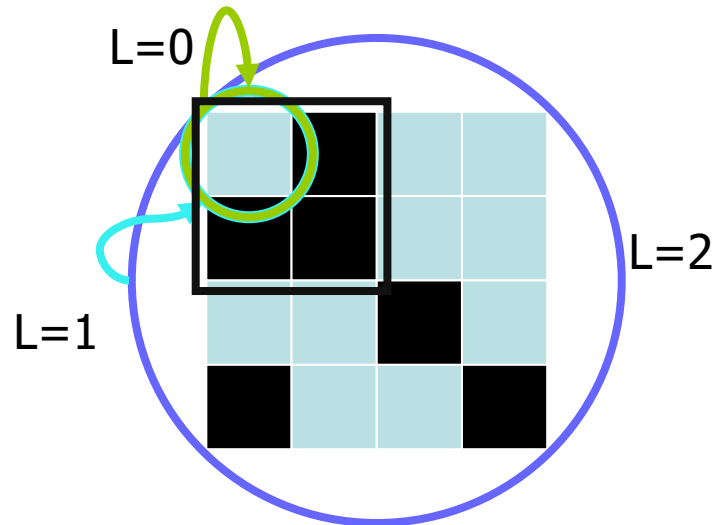


Optimizing the Descent

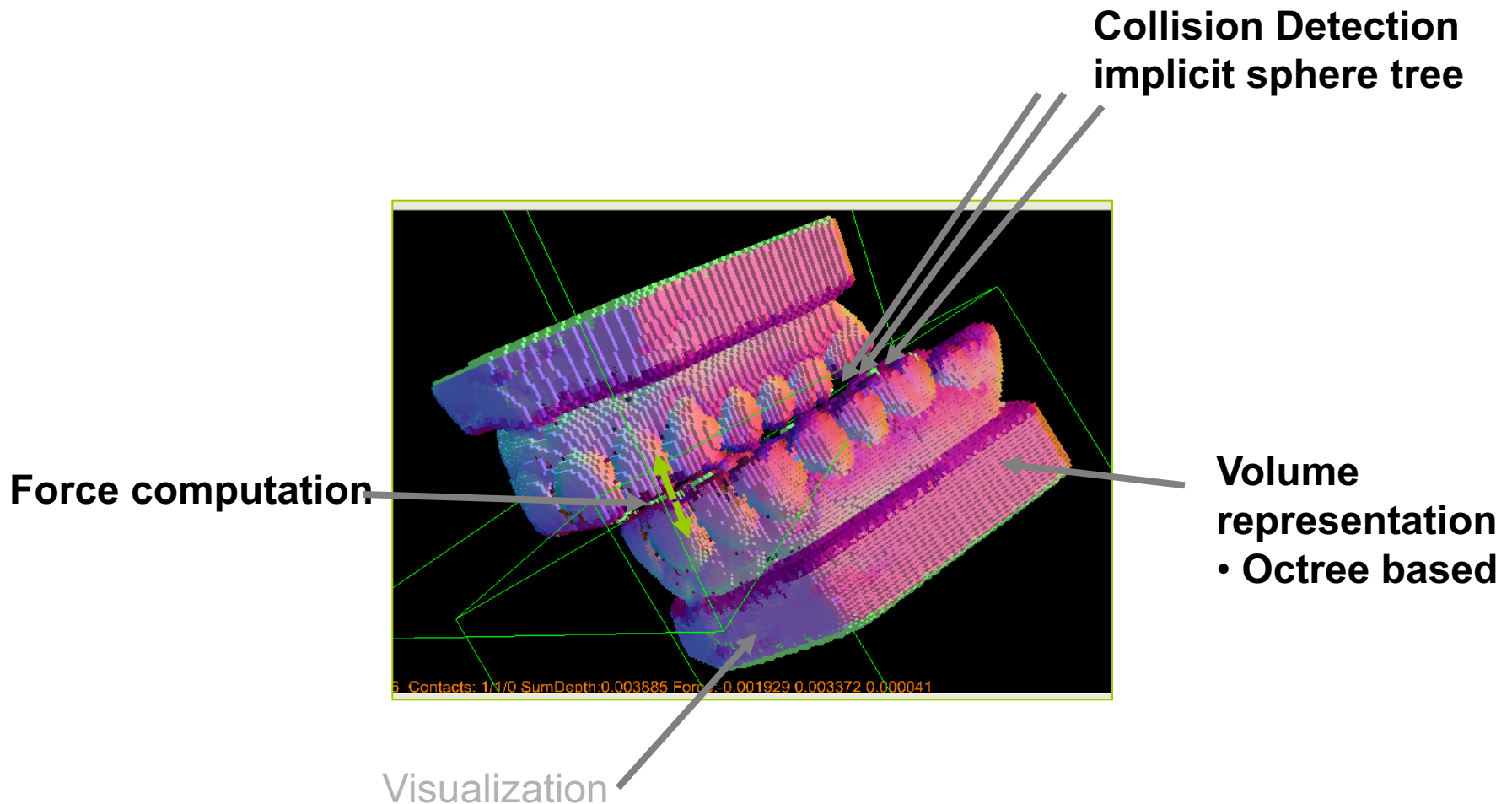
Node Occupancy optimization



Level Skipping



Overview of the solution



Collision Response

- Given the set of collision points there are several methods for computing the resulting force
- In general the idea is to compute a Dynamic Simulation of the two Rigid Bodies
- The three main models are:

Constraint
Based

Impulsive

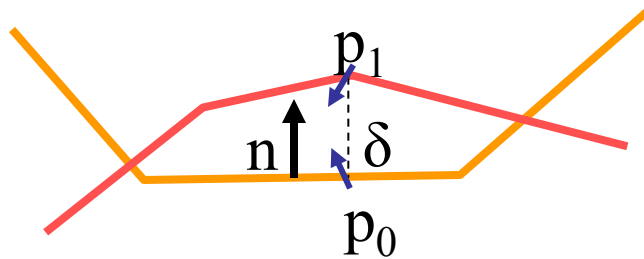
Penalty
Based

- Simultaneous
- Concurrent

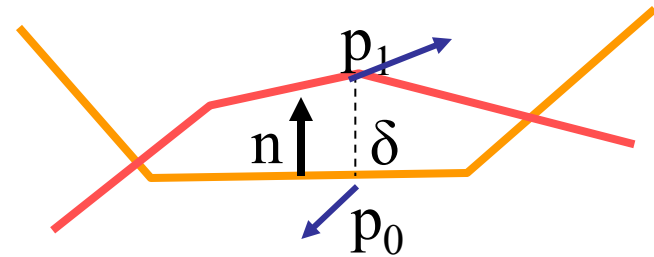
Collision Response

- In this context we opted for Simultaneous Impulsive Collision Response
- The deepest contact pair is selected and used for computing the Impulsive Response
- Eventually friction can be applied for simulating surface properties

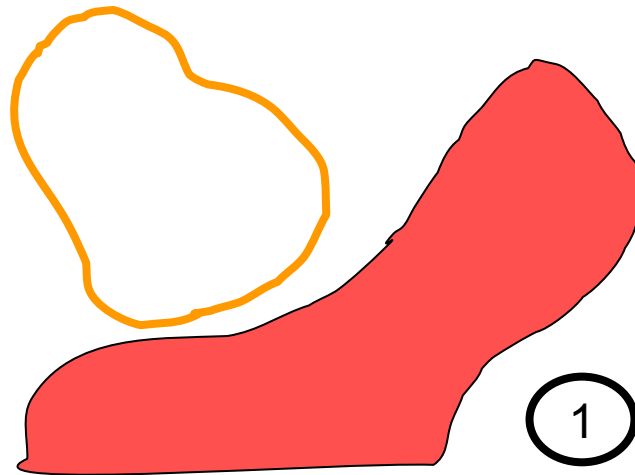
$$\dot{j}_n = \frac{-(1+\epsilon)u_n}{1/m_a + 1/m_b + 1/I_a ||\mathbf{r}_a||^2 \text{sen}^2\theta_a + 1/I_b ||\mathbf{r}_b||^2 \text{sen}^2\theta_b}$$

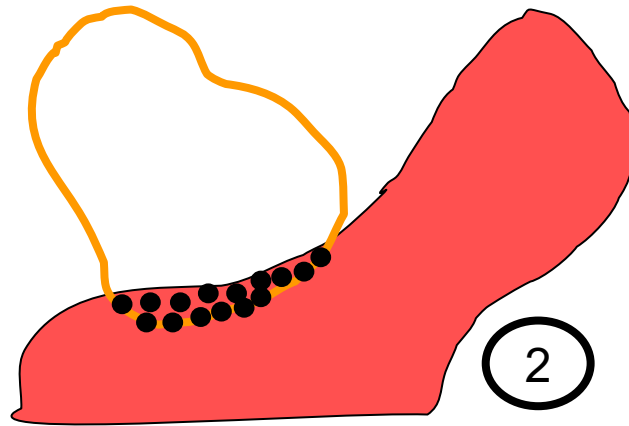


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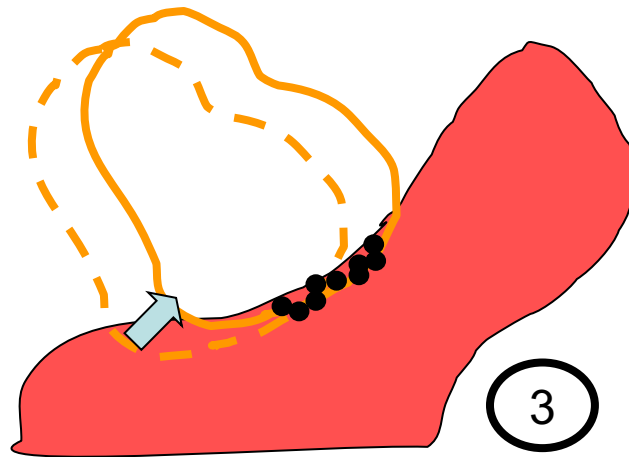


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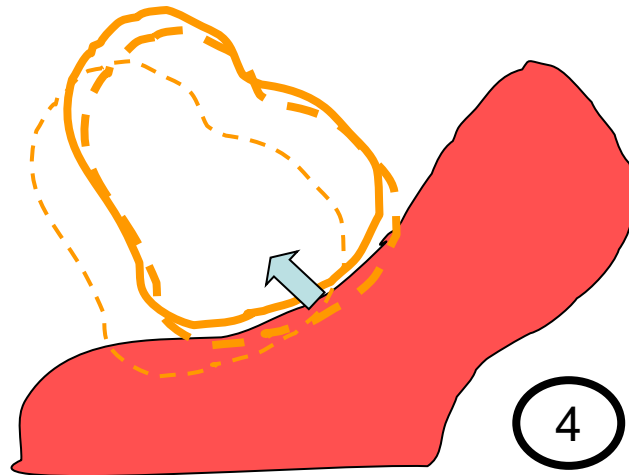




Given the collision set



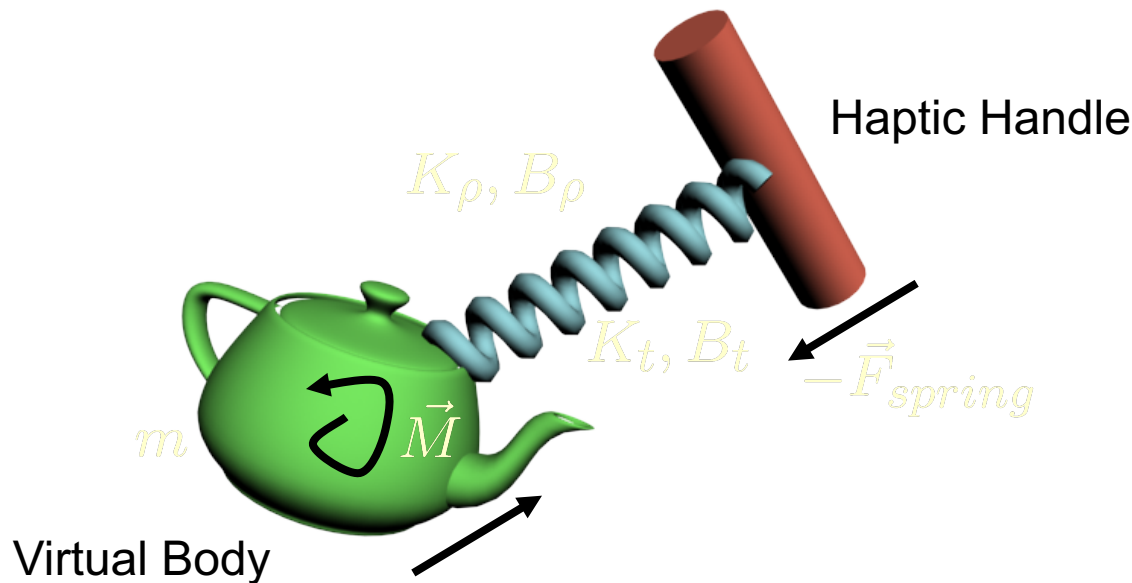
Find the deepest pair and apply the impulse
With a virtual integration step



Do again until all non separating pairs are
Processed or some threshold is reached

Virtual Coupling

- The force computed by the 6-DOF Collision Response could be applied directly to the body (Direct Rendering)
 - The varying number of contact points would produce a varying stiffness
 - Performance depends on the speed of the Collision Detection
- Virtual Coupling overcomes these problems by smoothing the interaction (Colgate95, McNeely99)
- In VC the body and the haptic handle are connected by a damped 6-DOF spring

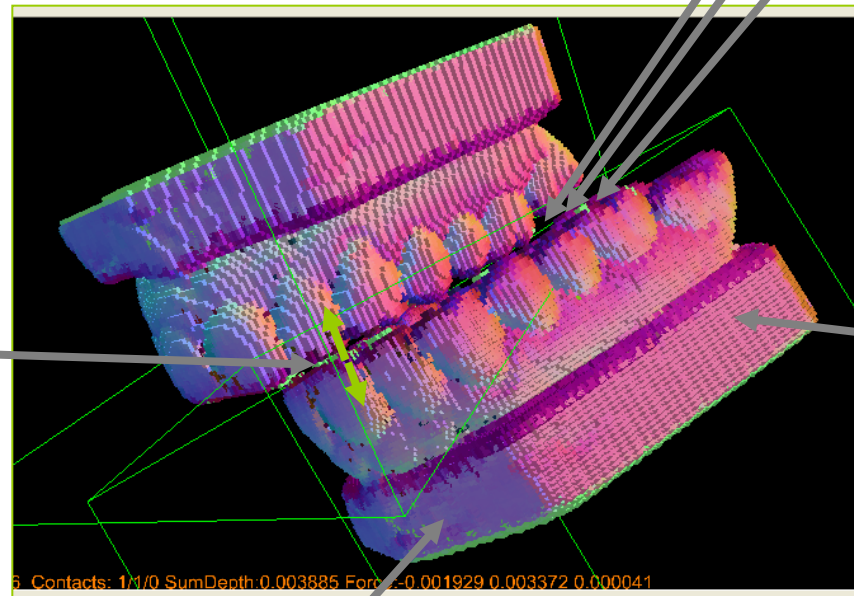


Example



Conclusion

Collision Detection
• implicit sphere tree



Force computation
• impulse based
• separating points

Volume representation
• octree

Visualization

Additional applications

The described algorithm can be applied to other cases of bone manipulation for planning

Additionally it can be used in the context of Virtual Prototyping for the assessment of mechanical parts



Challenges

- In the context of the specific application for operation planning
 - Identification of peculiar points
 - Automatic alignment
 - Visualize Collision Detection
- Generalize the Collision Scheme with Volume editing for drilling
- *Parallelization* of the algorithm for new Multicore and GPU systems
- *Sensation Preserving* optimization

Open Issues - Parallelization

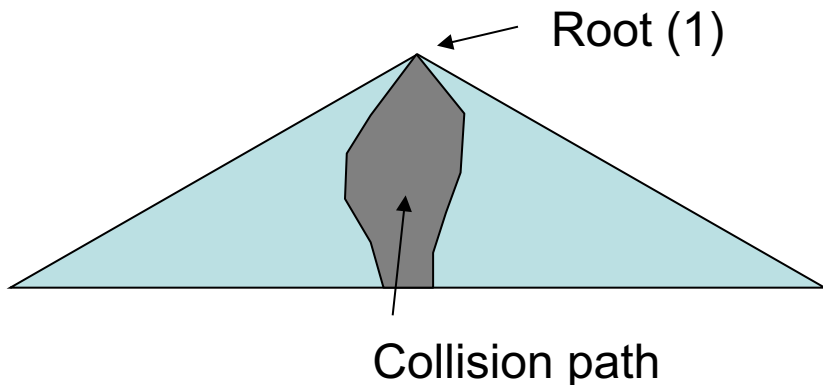
- Parallel computing has a lot of history and only recently it is spreading
- Multicore CPUs with 2-4 are now on the market and more parallelism is coming in the future.
- GPUs are much more parallel but with different constraint

- How we can parallelize the Collision Detection algorithms?
- Depending on the complexity of the Voxel model we can assign different parts of the models to different CPUs or parallelize the pure computation

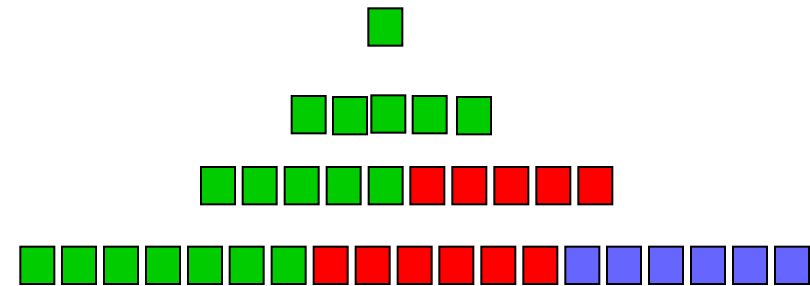
- Pointshell can be parallelized grouping points and assigning them to different CPUs

Open Issues - Parallelization

- The Collision Detection between Bounding Volumes generates is performed using a Collision Tree
- In the simplest case the Collision Tree is obtained with a recursive descend
- For parallelization we transform the recursion into parallel executions, one for each level



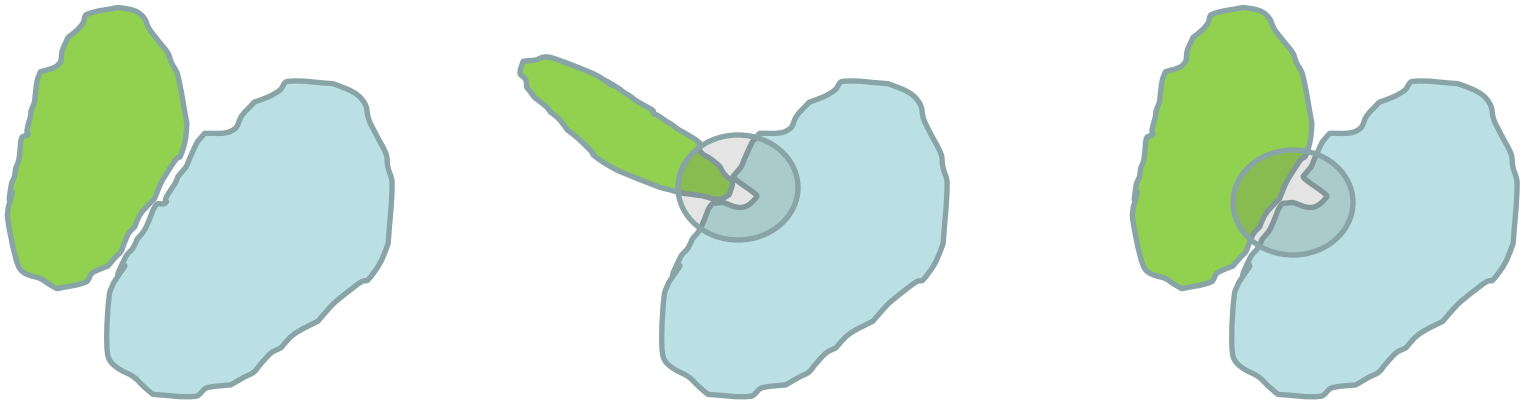
Every possible combination
of BV at different levels



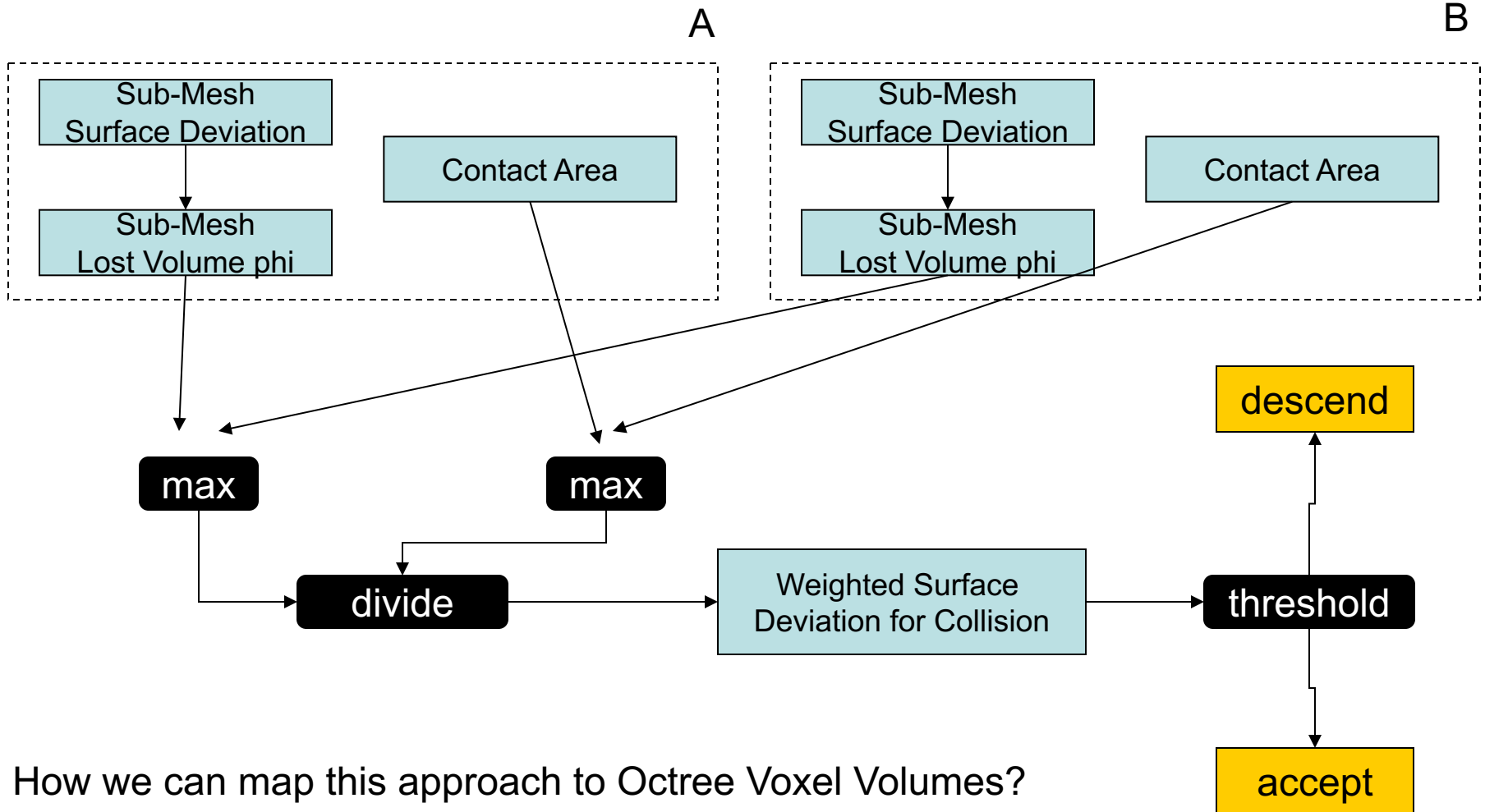
Color represent a different processor

Open Issue - Sensation Preserving

- Sensation Preserving is a concept introduced by Otaduy in 2003 for limiting the descent in the Collision Tree when the detail of the contact is not necessary
- It is equivalent to the concept of Level of Detail in Computer Graphics



Open Issue - Sensation Preserving



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