

Brain Shape Analysis & Registration

Contributions from the Epidaure group at INRIA

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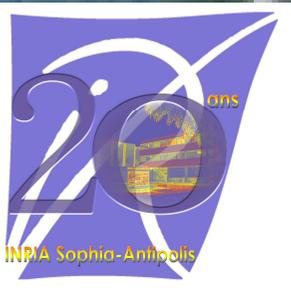
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Brain Shape Analysis

- In this talk :
 - a survey of registration methods developed in our group
 - combined with methods to detect and quantify anatomical or pathological shape variations
- Medical Applications
 - Patient Follow-Up, Image-Guided Neurosurgery,
 - Atlas Construction from Cross-Sections, Atlas Mapping,
 - Brain Asymmetry, Variability of Sulcal Lines, etc.

N. A : Epidaure: a Research Project in Medical Image Analysis, Simulation and Robotics at INRIA, IEEE Trans. on Medical Imaging, 22(10):1185--1201, October 2003.



Overview

- Geometric Registration
- Iconic Registration
- Hybrid Registration
- Shape Statistics
- Perspectives



Geometric Methods

- Extraction of geometric primitives
 - invariant for the chosen group of transformations (typically rigid)
- Registration then consists of
 - matching homologous primitives
 - estimating the transformation T

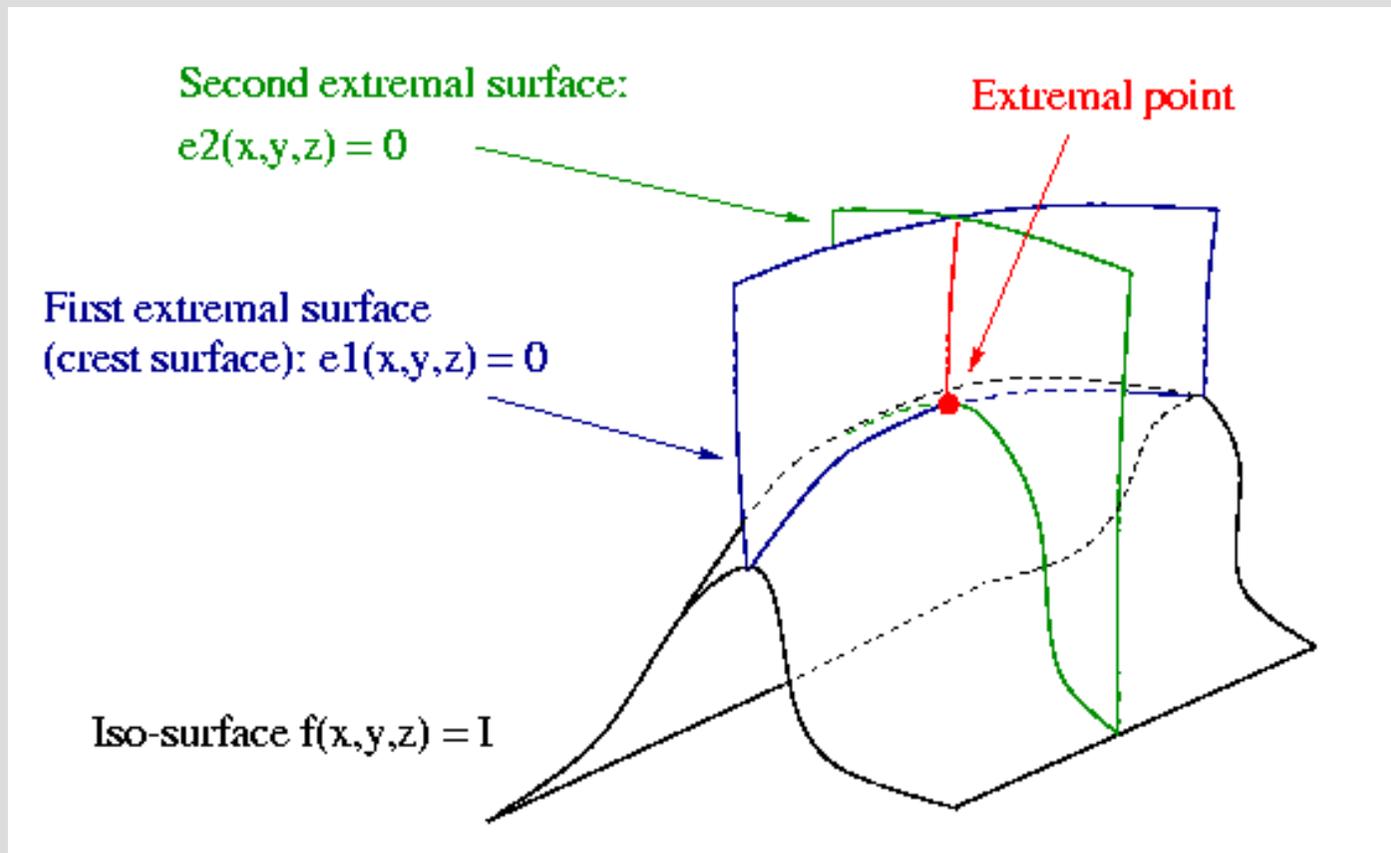
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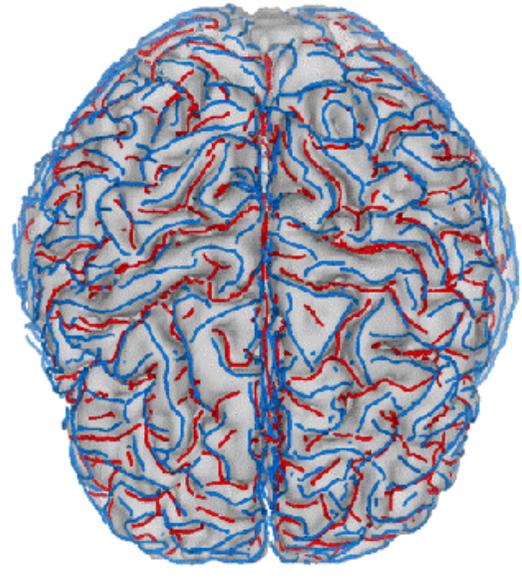
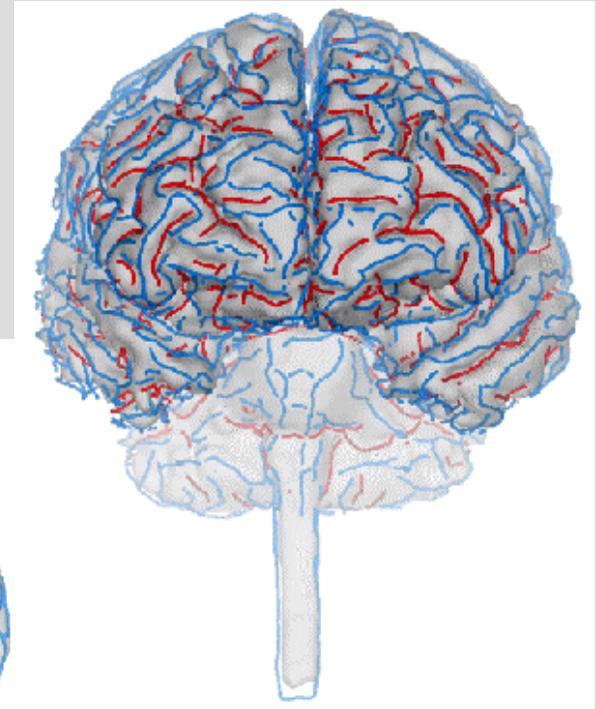
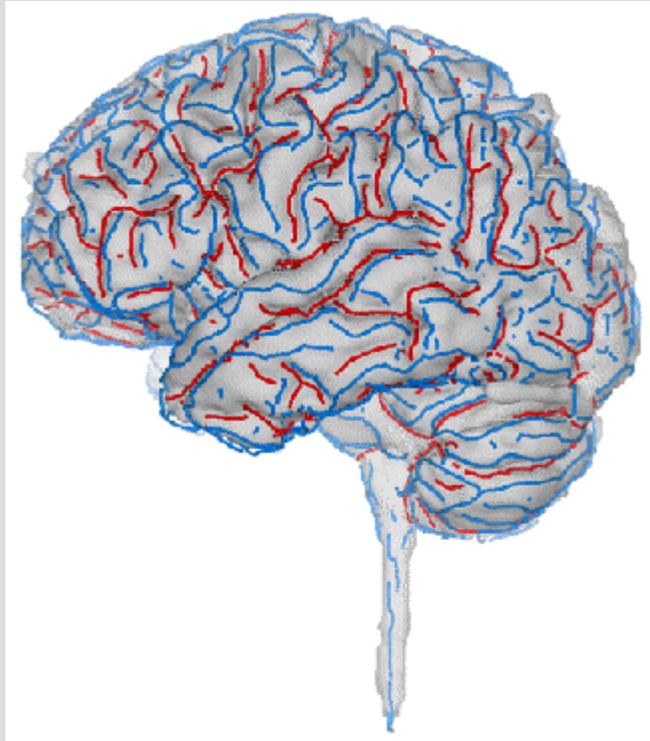
Crest Lines and Extremal Points

- Intersection of 2 or 3 implicit surfaces

$$f(x,y,z) = I \quad e_1 = \nabla k_1 \cdot t_1 = 0 \quad e_2 = \nabla k_2 \cdot t_2 = 0$$



Crest Lines on Cortex (MRI)

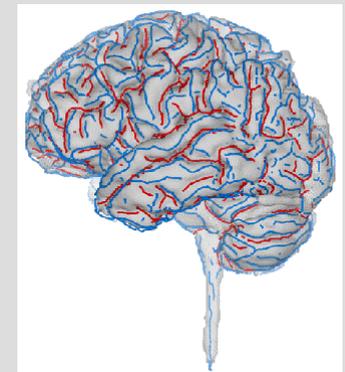
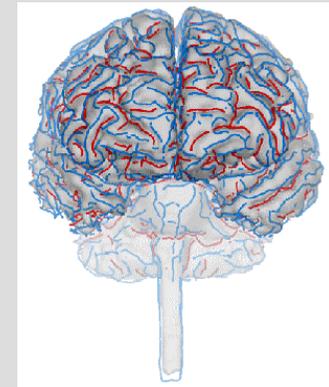


Compact description
Invariant by displacement



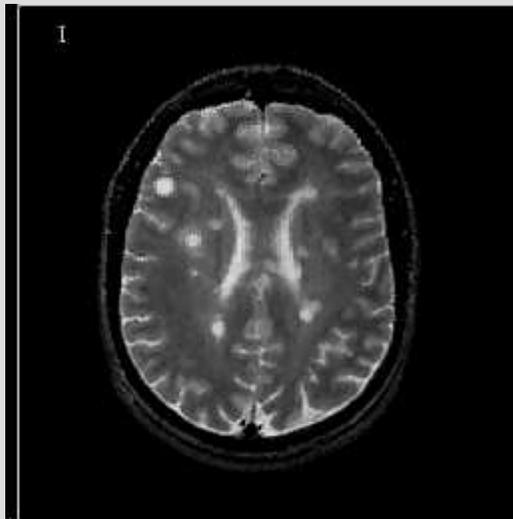
Rigid Matching

- Adapted algorithms from Computer Vision (**Geometric Hashing, Prediction-Verification, ICP**) establish correspondences between homologous points and best rigid transformation between 2 images
- These algorithms use additional invariants computed along crest lines and on the underlying anatomical surface

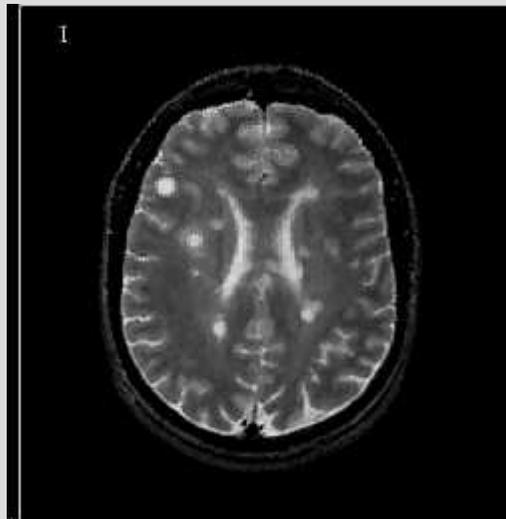


Multiple Sclerosis Follow-Up

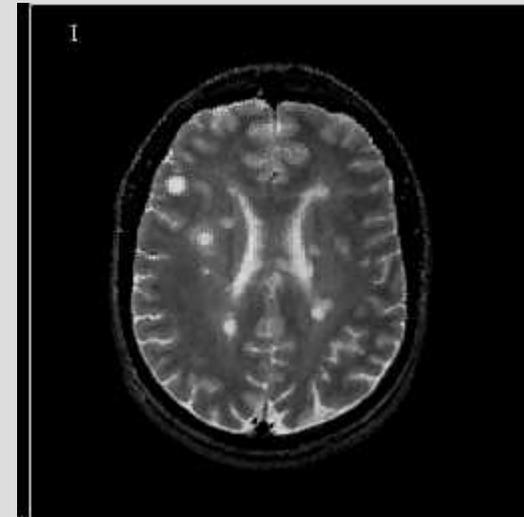
Original Sequence



Rigid Registration



Rigid Registration
+ Intensity Correction



Patient Followed during 18 months (24 acquisitions) Image acquisition: R. Kikinis

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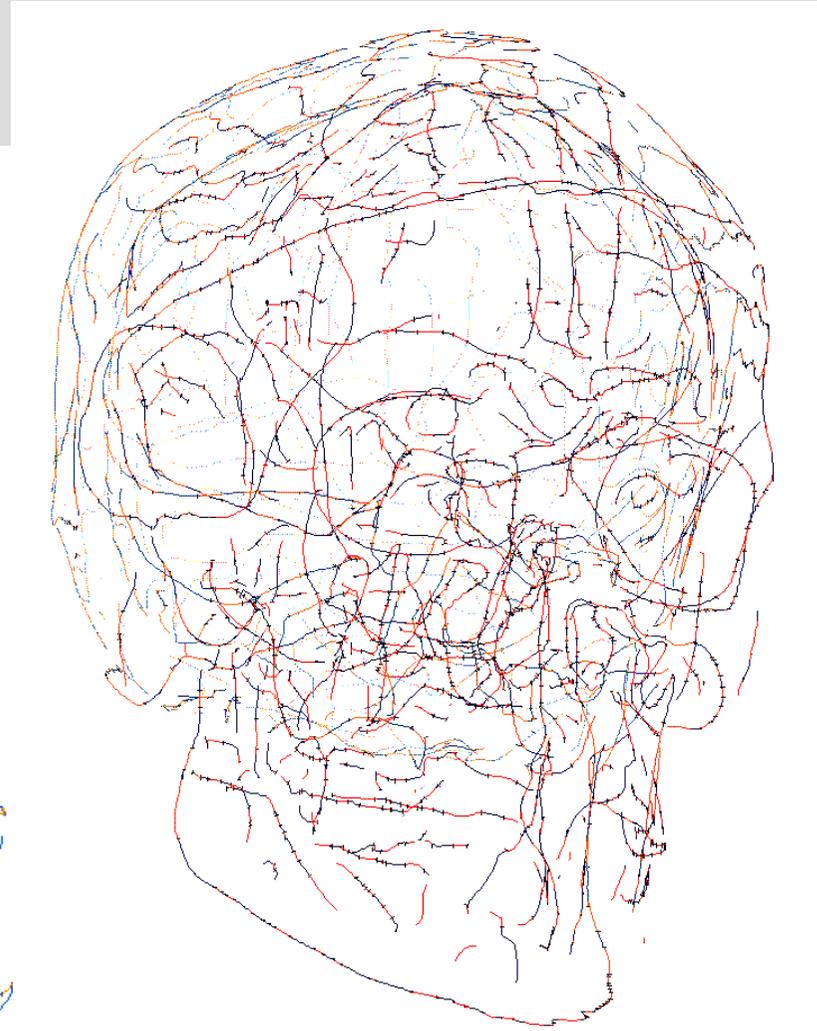
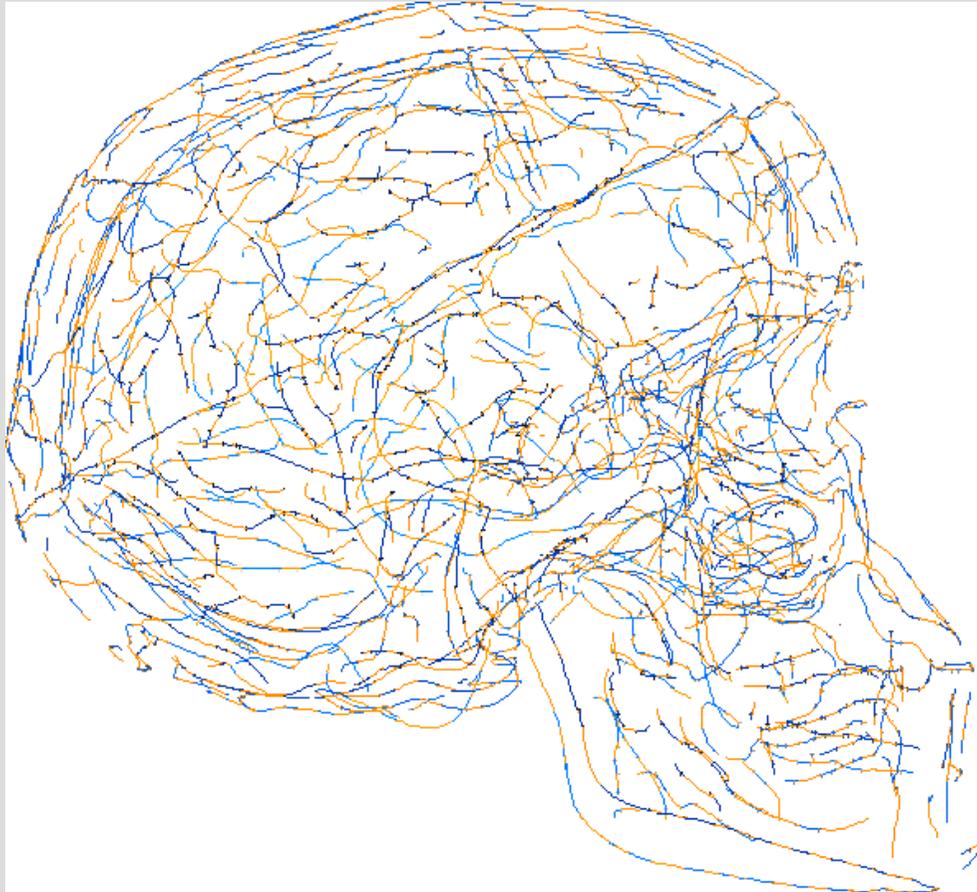


Geometric Registration

- **PROS :**
 - Automatic, no initialization required
 - Accuracy and Robustness
- **CONS :**
 - Requires High Resolution & Low Noise
 - Invariant Landmarks : Rigid, Mono-modal, Single Patient
 - Possible exception : Skull Images



Skull (CT Scan)



G. Subsol, J.-Ph. Thirion, and N. Ayache. *A General Scheme for Automatically Building 3D Morphometric Anatomical Atlases: application to a Skull Atlas*. *Medical Image Analysis*, 2(1):37-60, 1998.

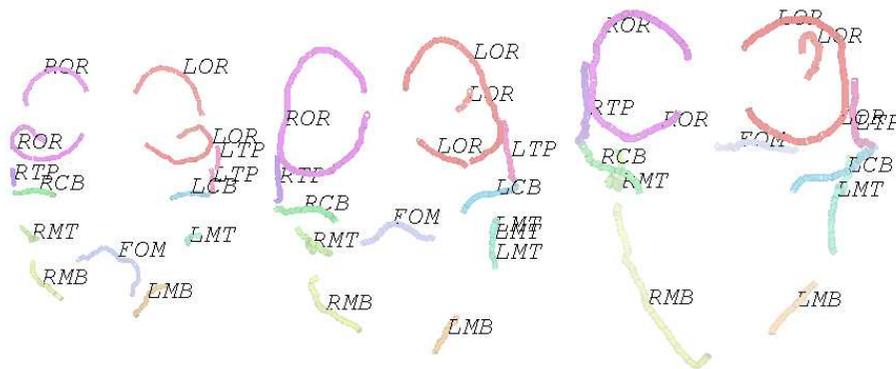
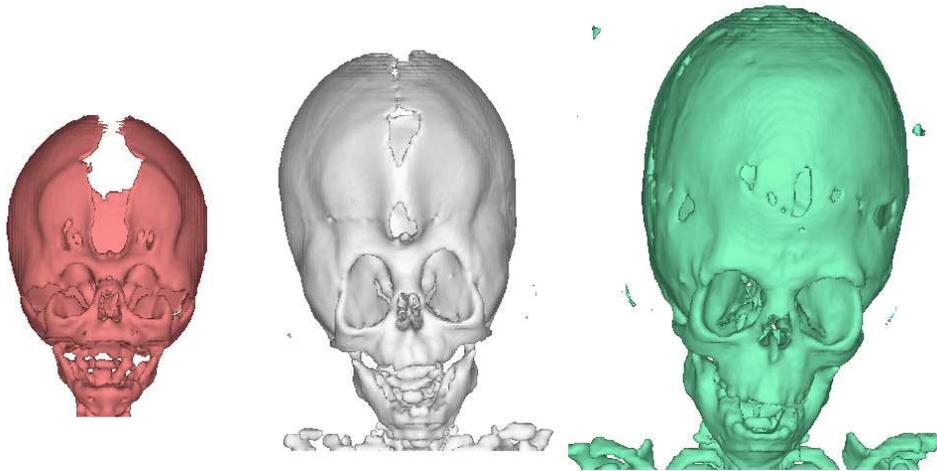


Through Aging or Through Ages

1 month

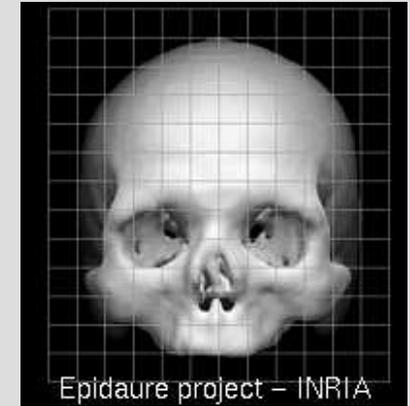
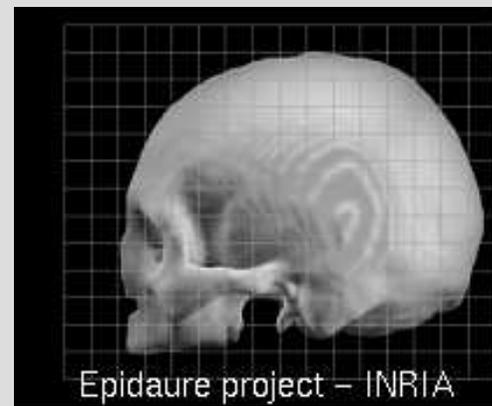
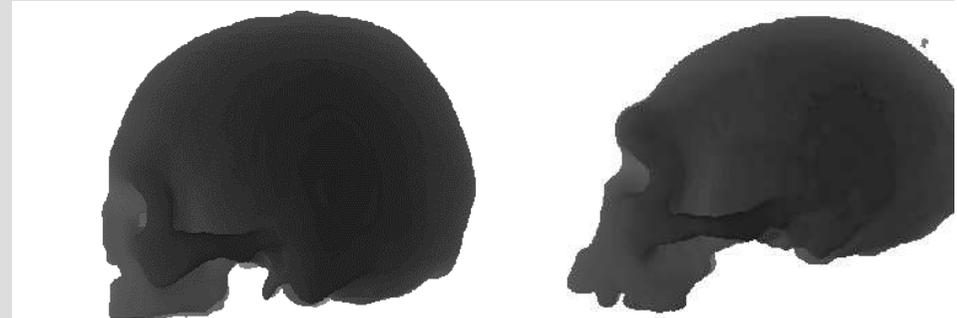
8 months

4 years



Contemporary

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- G. Subsol-Meline-Mafart- De Lumley 2002
- G. Subsol. *Crest Lines for Curve Based Warping* Brain Warping, chapter 13, pages 225-246, Academic Press, 1998.



Content

- Geometric
- **Iconic (Monomodal, Multimodal)**
- Hybrid
- Rule Based
- Shape Statistics
- Perspectives



Demons Algorithm (Thirion)

- Inspired by the work of Christensen, Miller, et al.
- $O(N)$ Algorithm.
- 2 main iterated stages
 - Image forces which create displacements u_n (normalized optical flow)
 - Regularization of u_n by Gaussian Filtering

J.P. Thirion: Image Matching as a diffusion process: an analogy with Maxwell's demons. *Medical Image Analysis* 2(3), 242-260, 1998.



Demons Algorithm

- $T_0 = \text{Identity}$
- Correction field C_{n+1}

$$C_{n+1} = \frac{I - J \circ T_n}{\|\nabla I\|^2 + (I - J \circ T_n)^2} \nabla I$$

- Regularization : by Gaussian Filtering

Elastic

$$\hat{C}_{n+1} = U_n \circ C_{n+1}$$

$$U_{n+1} = G_\sigma * \hat{C}_{n+1}$$

Fluid

$$\tilde{C}_{n+1} = G_\sigma * C_{n+1}$$

$$U_{n+1} = U_n \circ \tilde{C}_{n+1}$$

- Remark: $\|C_{n+1}\| \leq 1/2$



Interpretation of Demons

- Pennec-Cachier and then Modersitzki put the demons algorithm in a variational framework to show that it minimizes a global energy.
- Modersitzki: Min E under Neumann BC :

$$E = SSD * + \int \|\nabla u\|^2$$

J. Modersitzki : Numerical Methods for Image Registration, Oxford University Press,2004.

X. Pennec, P. Cachier and N. Ayache : Understanding the Demons Algorithm : 3D non rigid registration by gradient descent, MICCAI 1999, Springer-Verlag.



PASHA Algorithm (1/2)

- P. Cachier introduces auxiliary variables (cf. L. Cohen 1996) to formalize the alternate minimization of the Demon's Algorithm while preserving its efficiency

$$E(C, U) = E_S(I, J, C) + \sigma \int \|C - U\|^2 + \lambda \int \|\nabla U\|^2$$

P. Cachier E. Bardinet, E. Dormont, X. Pennec and N. Ayache: *Iconic Feature Based Nonrigid Registration: the PASHA Algorithm*, *Comp. Vision and Image Understanding (CVIU)*, Special Issue on Non Rigid Registration, 89 (2-3), 272-298, 2003.



PASHA Algorithm (2/2)

$$E(C, U) = E_s(I, J, C) + \sigma \int \|C - U\|^2 + \lambda \int \|\nabla U\|^2$$

- Minimization on **C** by differentiation of the similarity criterion (gradient descent, 1st or 2nd order)
- Minimization on **U**, explicit solution by Gaussian convolution



Mixed Elastic/Fluid Regularization

$$E(C, U, \dot{U}) = E_S(I, J, C) + \sigma \int \|C - U\|^2 \\ + \lambda \int \|\nabla U\|^2 + \mu \int \|\nabla \dot{U}\|^2$$

- **Advantage:**
 - regularization still by convolution
 - can handle larger displacements

P. Cachier N. Ayache, *Isotropic Energies, Filters and Splines for Vector Field Regularization*,
J. of Mathematical Imaging and Vision, 20: 251-265, 2004



Nice Properties of PASHA

- Alternate minimization of a single positive criterion : Convergence
- Algorithmic Complexity $O(N)$
- Smooth deformation field:
 - Careful gradient descent $\|C_{n+1}\| \leq 1/2$
 - Eulerian scheme for interpolation
 - Regularization by “low pass” filters



Symmetric energies

- Similarity

$$SSD(I, J, C) = \int (I - J \circ C)^2 \neq SSD(J, I, C^{-1})$$

$$E_s^*(I, J, C) = \frac{1}{2} [E_s(I, J, C) + E_s(J, I, C^{-1})]$$

$$SSD^*(I, J, C) = \frac{1}{2} \int (1 + |\nabla C|) (I - J \circ C)^2$$

- Regularization :

$$E_{\nabla}(I, J, U) = \int \|\nabla U\|^2 \neq E_{\nabla}(J, I, U^{-1})$$

$$E_{reg}^*(U) = \frac{1}{2} [E_{reg}(U) + E_{reg}(U^{-1})]$$

$$E_{\nabla}^*(U) = \frac{1}{2} \int \left(1 + \frac{1}{|\nabla U|} \right) (\|\nabla U\|^2)$$

[P. Cachier, D. Rey, MICCAI'00]

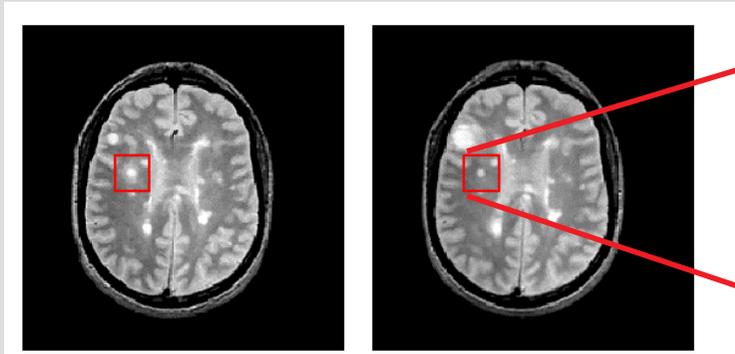


Quantifying Apparent Brain Variations

- Introduce Differential Operators to the deformation field to detect non-rigid brain variations
- Exemple : Jacobian of deformation field :
 - $J = 1$ for rigid transformation
 - $J > 1$ for local expansion
 - $J < 1$ for local contraction

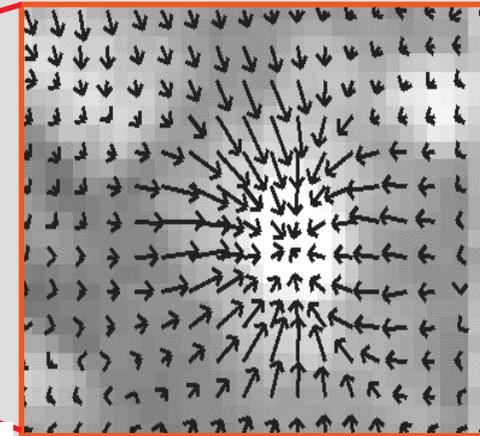


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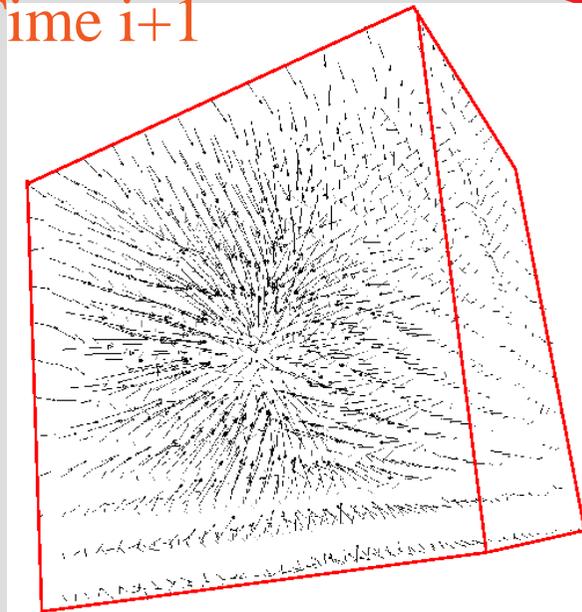


Time i

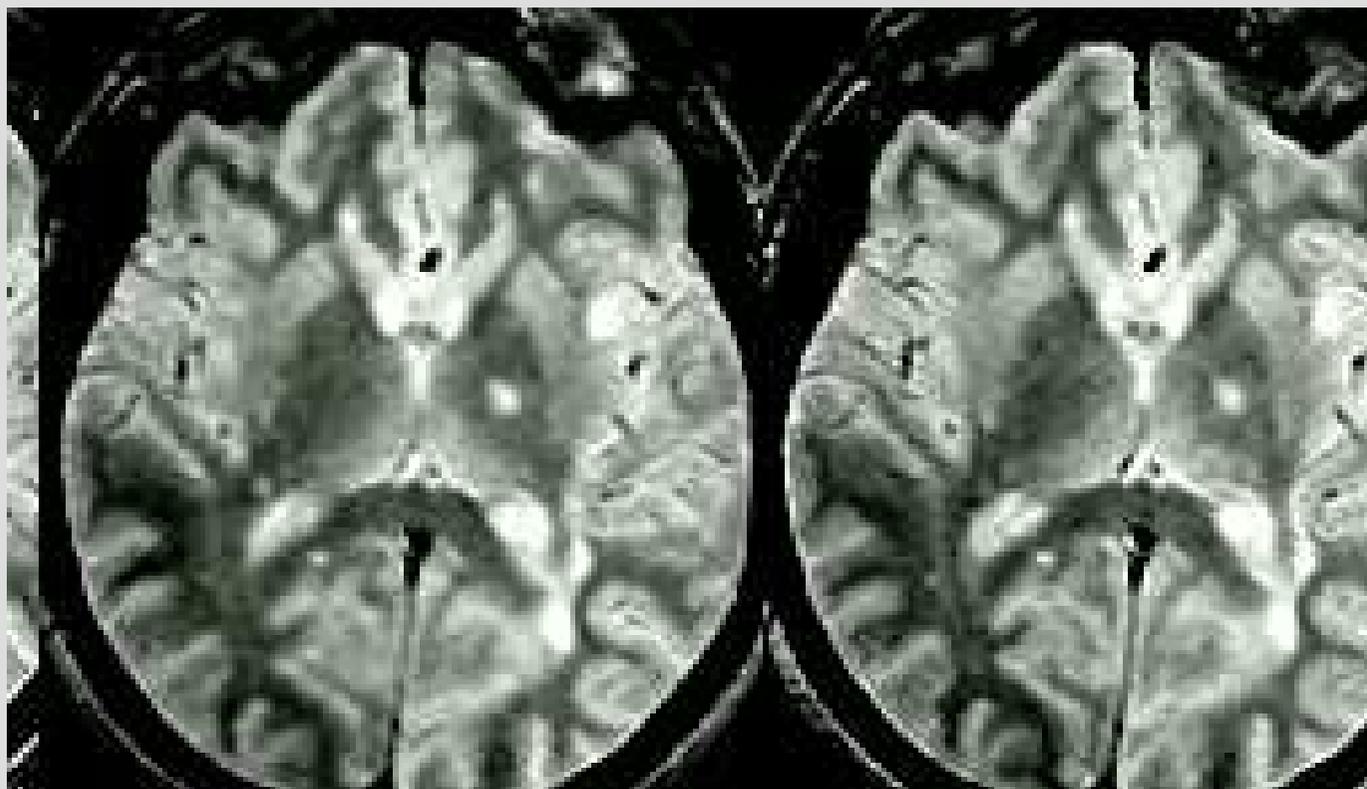
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*Apparent Deformation
Field*



Apparent Residual Deformations

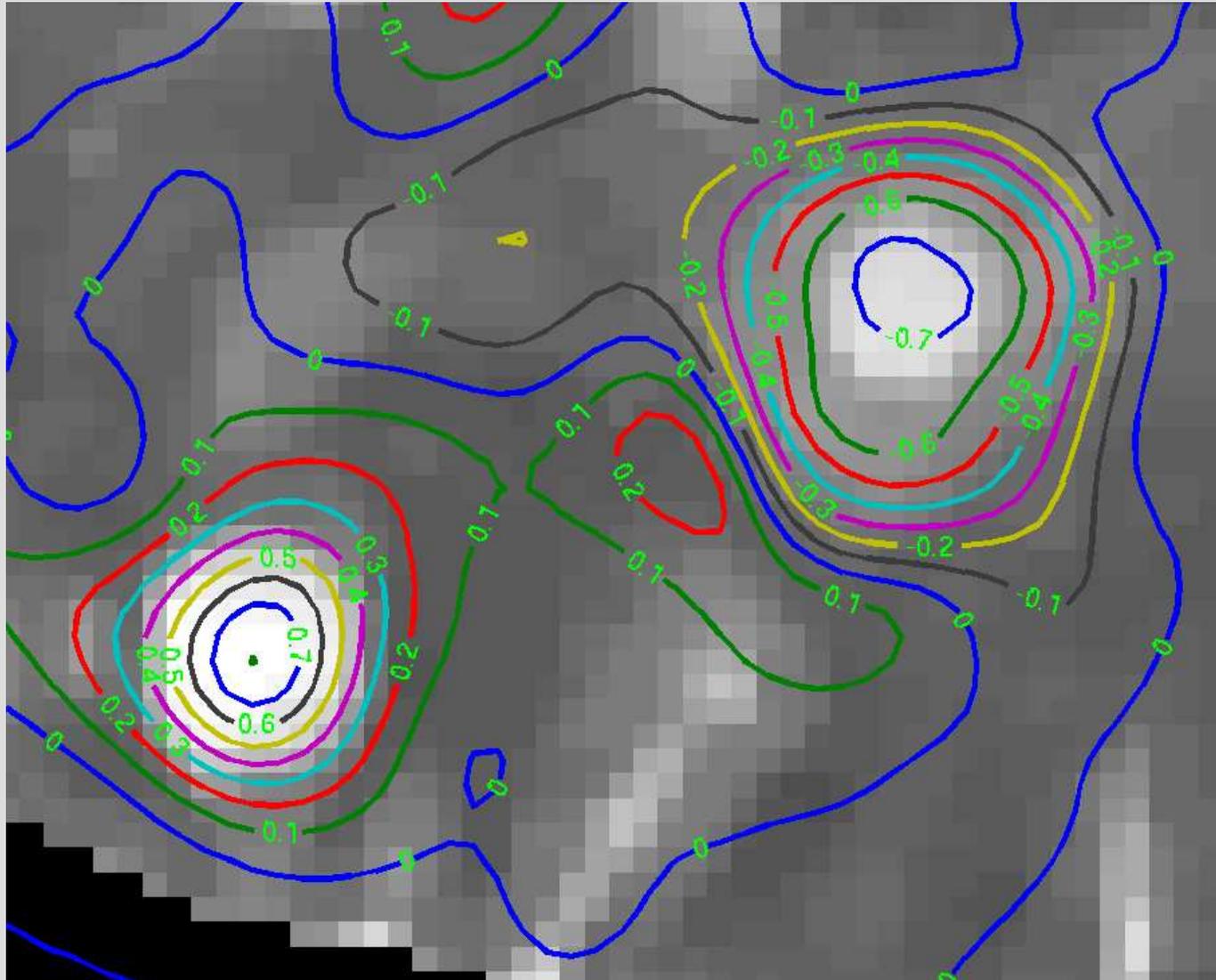


Time i

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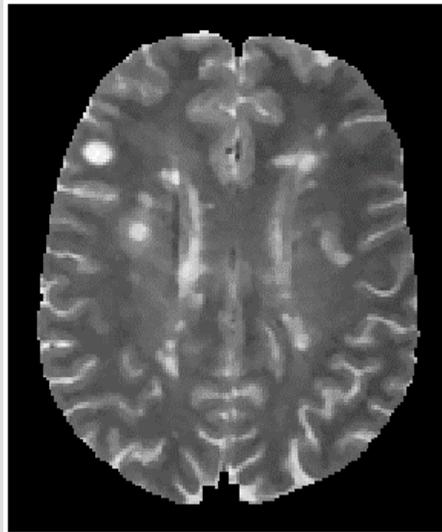


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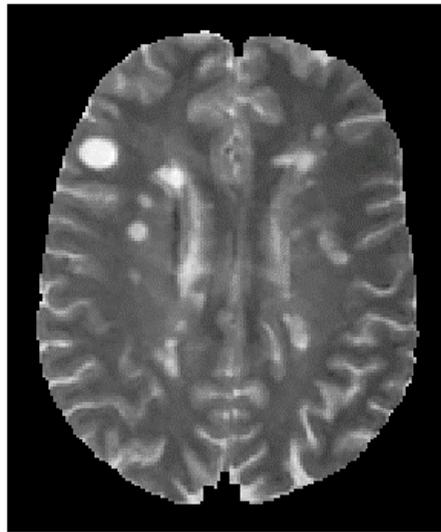


Detection of evolving lesions

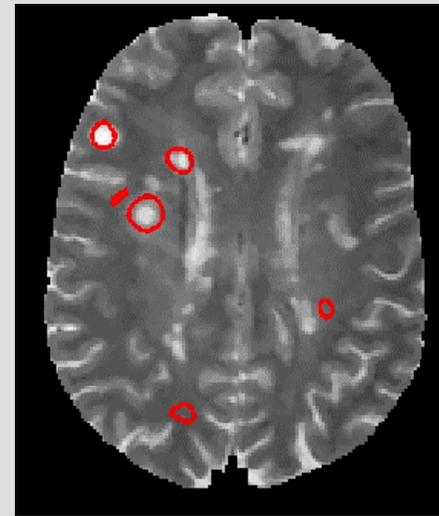
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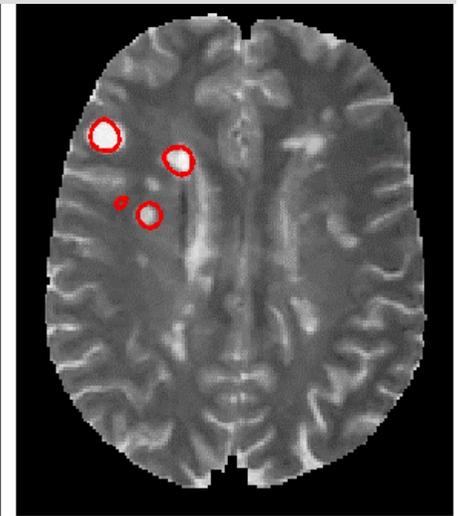
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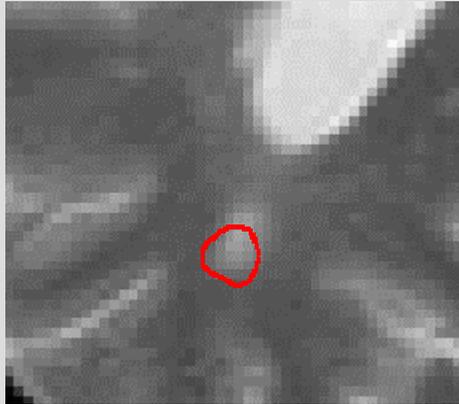


$$|\ln(jac)| \geq 0,4$$

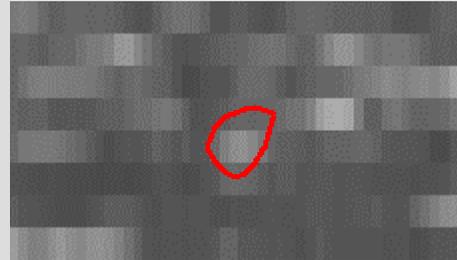


Symmetric Energies (1/2)

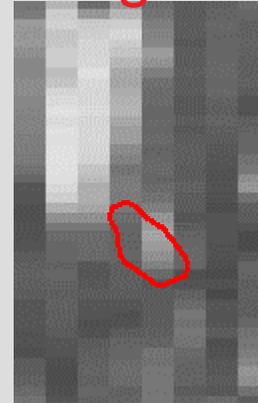
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coronal



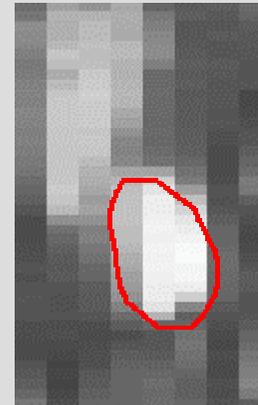
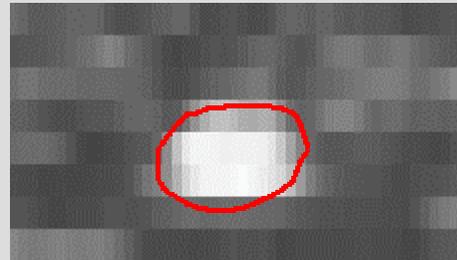
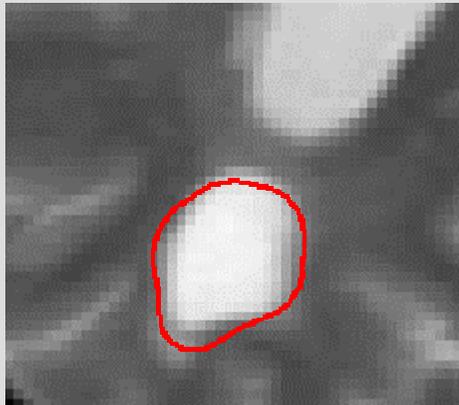
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DIRECT T

Time i

$\log(\text{Jac}) = +1$



Time i+1

T2- MRI 0.89x0.89x5.5mm

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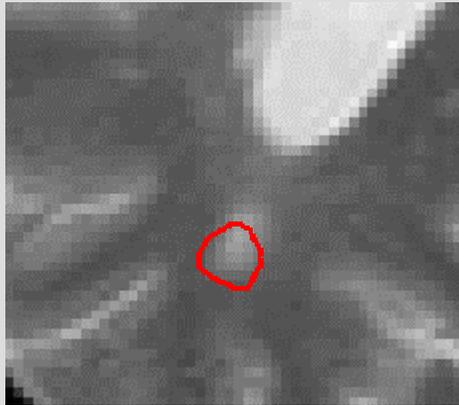
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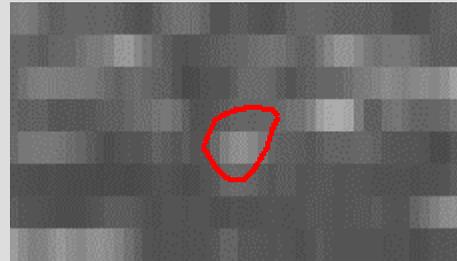
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Symmetric Energies (2/2)

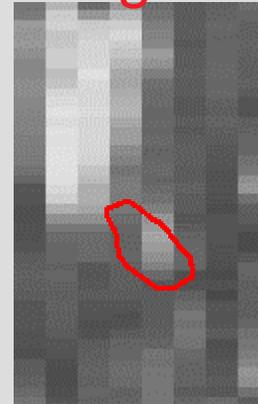
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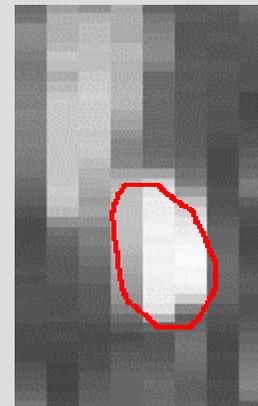
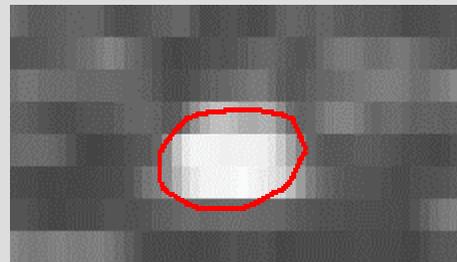
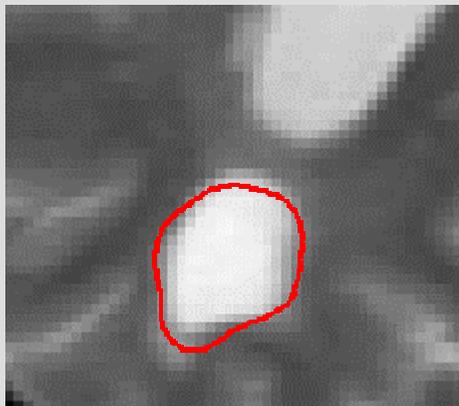
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INVERSE T

Time i

$\log(\text{Jac}) = -1$



Time i+1

T2- MRI 0.89x0.89x5.5mm

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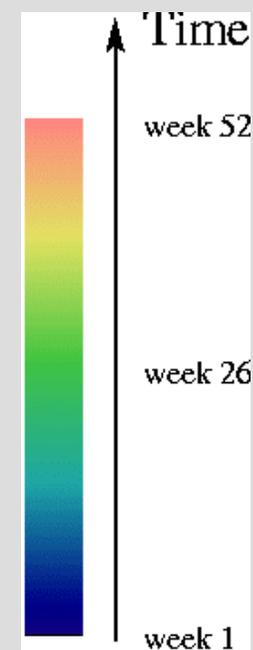
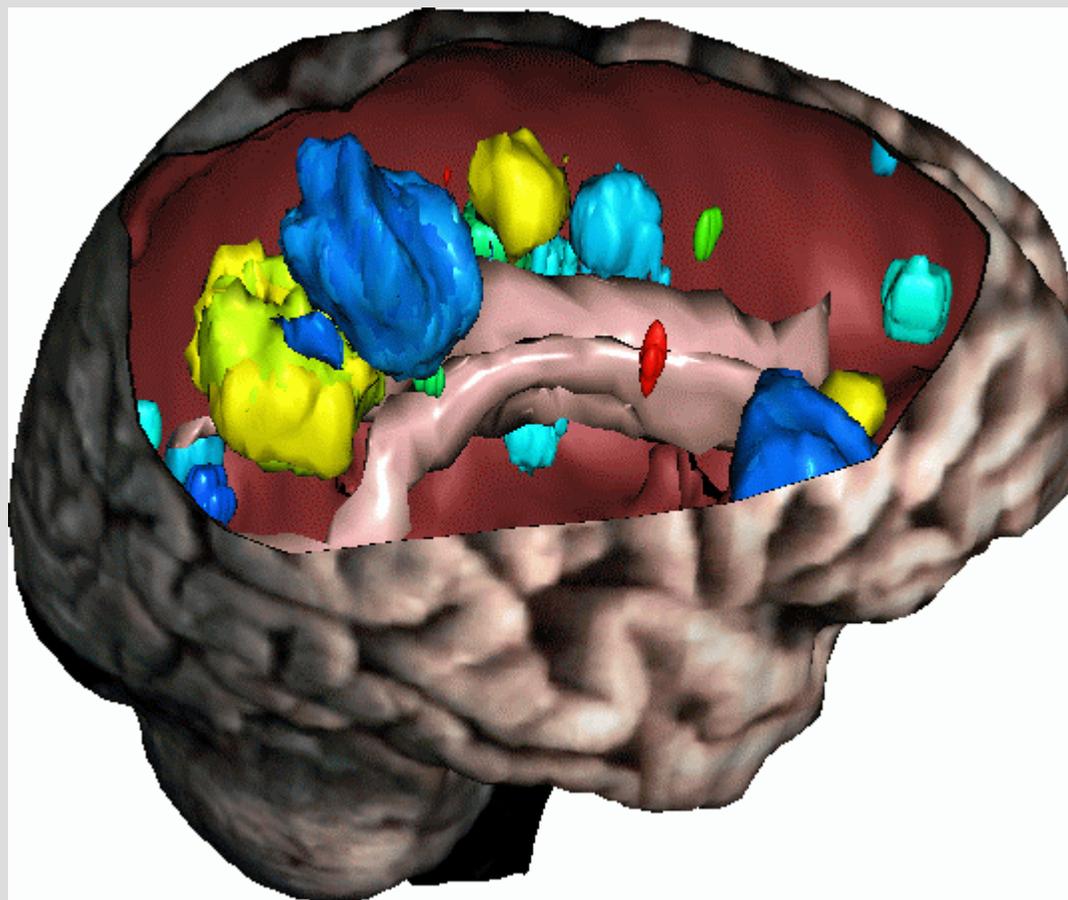
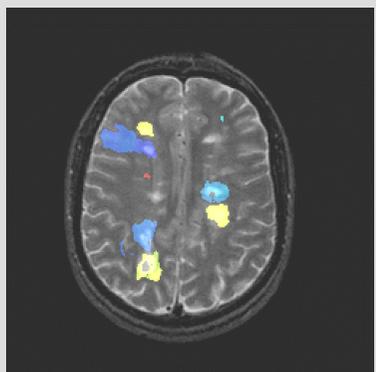
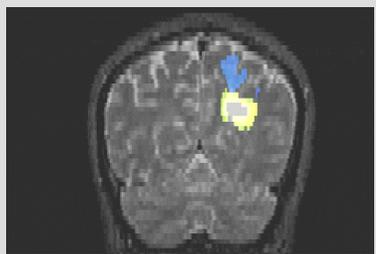
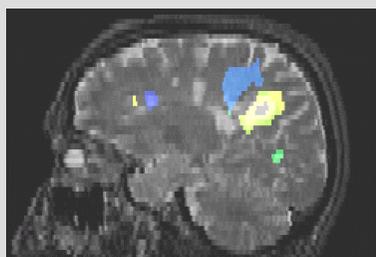


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2. Brain Asymmetry

- Local and quantitative measure of cerebral asymmetry

PhD Thesis of S. Prima

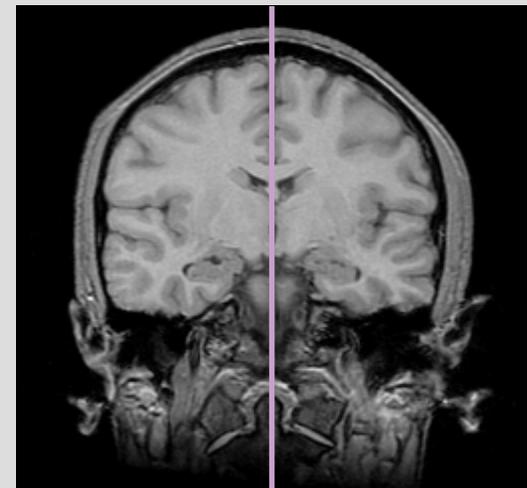
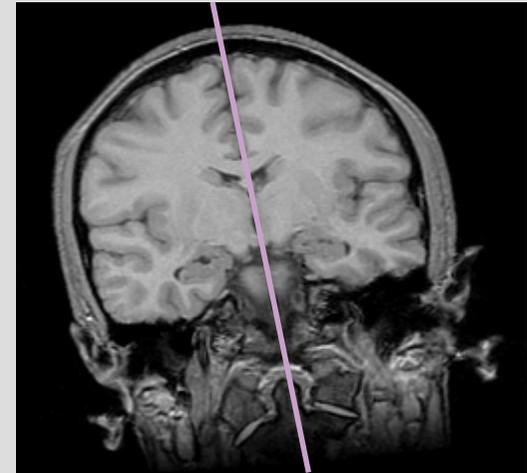
Biomorph Project

A. Colchester, G. Gerig,
M. Brady, T. Crow, et al.



Stage 1 : Find Mid-Sagittal Plane

- Find Plane which minimizes SSD criterion between homologous points
- Rotate image to place MSP in a reference position

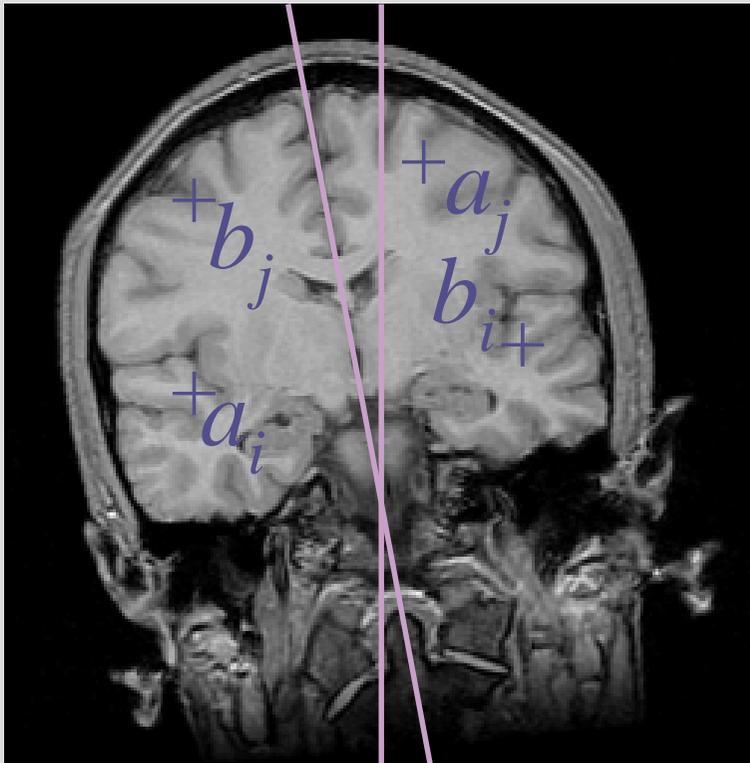


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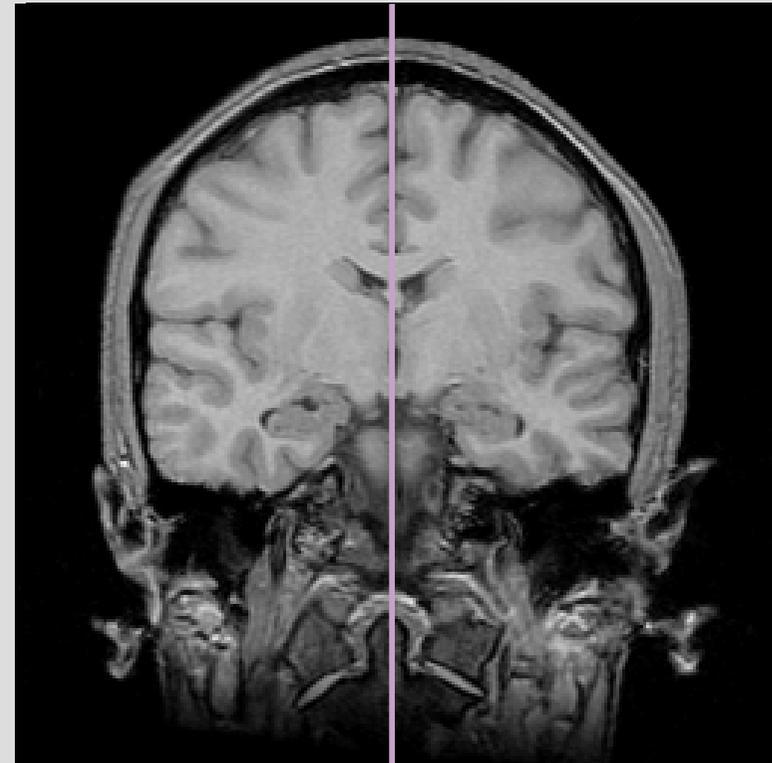


Mid-Sagittal Plane

P K



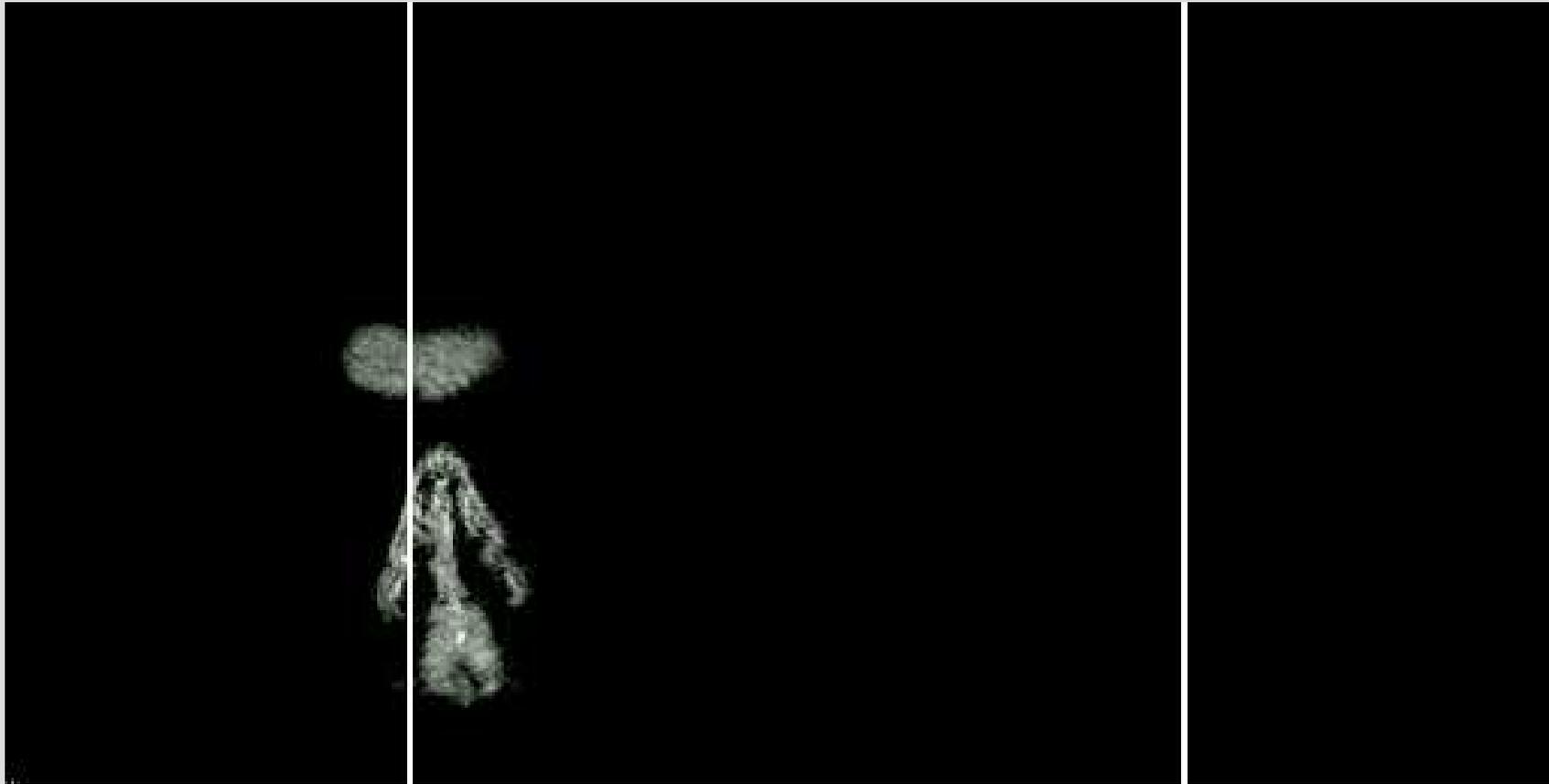
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$$R = (S_K \circ S_P)^{1/2}$$



Estimation of coronal mid-sagittal plane



Original

Aligned

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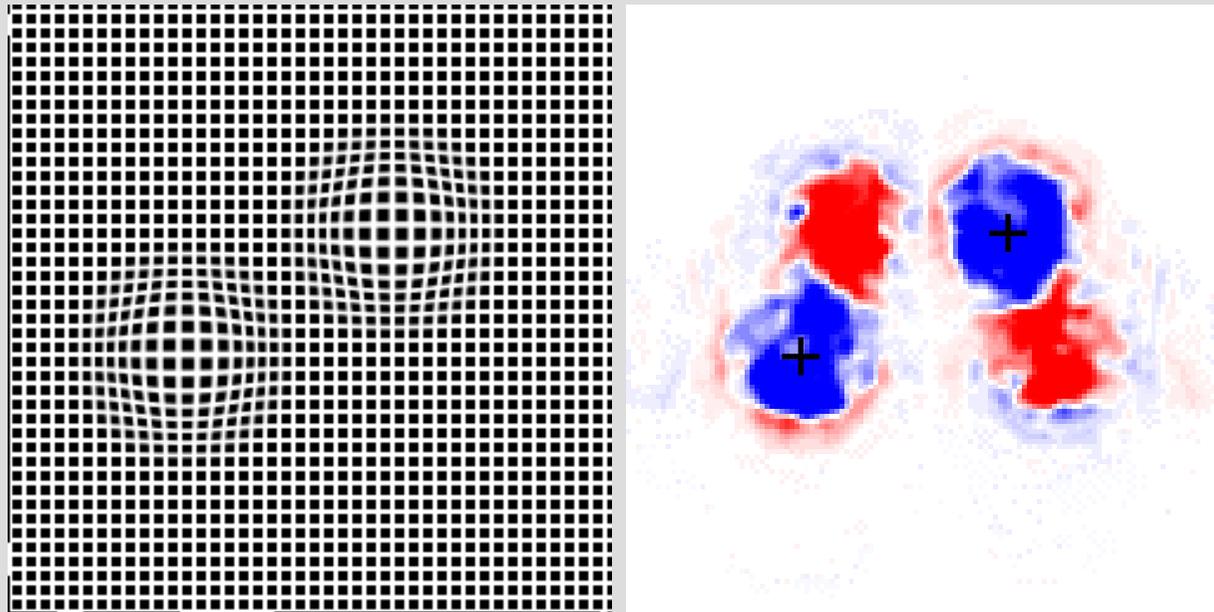
Stage 2 : Quantify Asymmetry

- Compute deformation field F between each hemisphere and its symmetrized version
- Quantify “deviation” from rigid transformations
 - several differential operators including Jacobian
 - good experimental results with $\|F\|.\text{div}(F)$

J.-P. Thirion, S. Prima, G. Subsol, and N. Roberts. *Statistical Analysis of Normal and Abnormal Dissymmetry in Volumetric Medical Images*. *Medical Image Analysis*, 4(2):111--121, June 2000



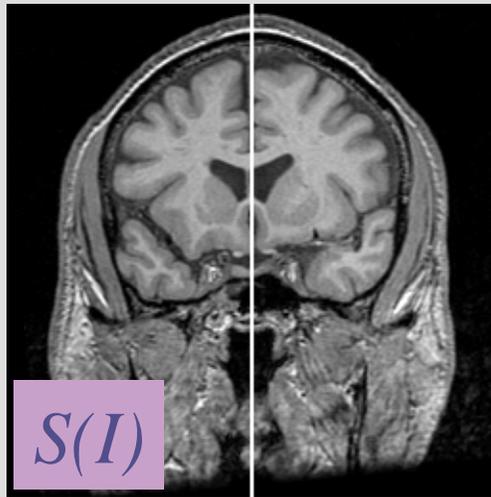
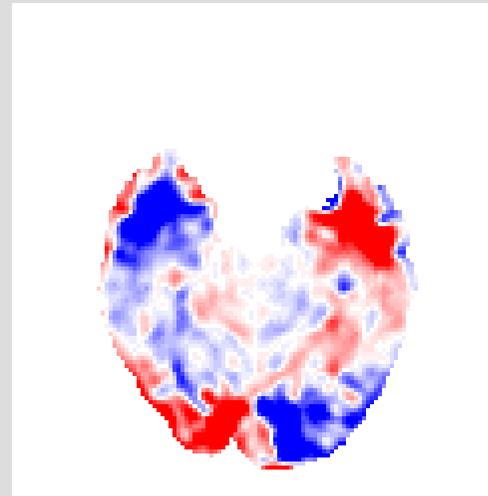
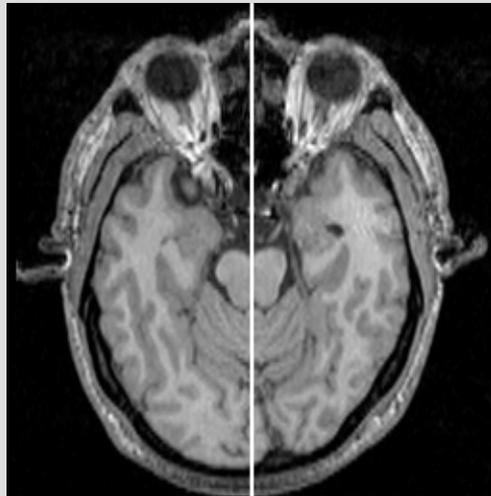
Asymmetry Field (Synthetic Example)



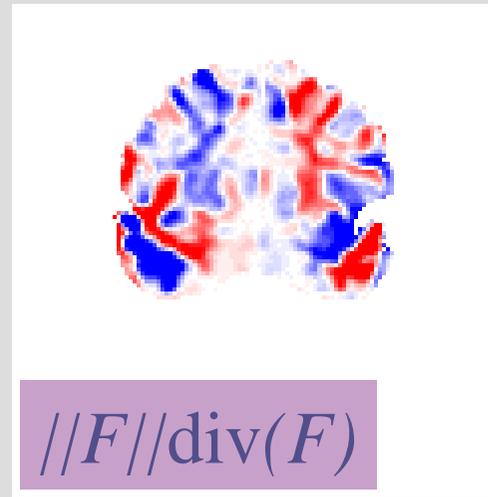
$$\|F\| \text{div}(F)$$



Asymmetry Field (Real Example)



$S(I)$



$\|F\| \text{div}(F)$



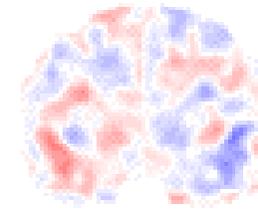
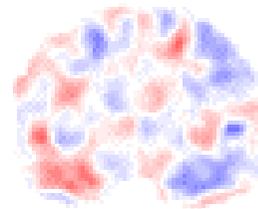
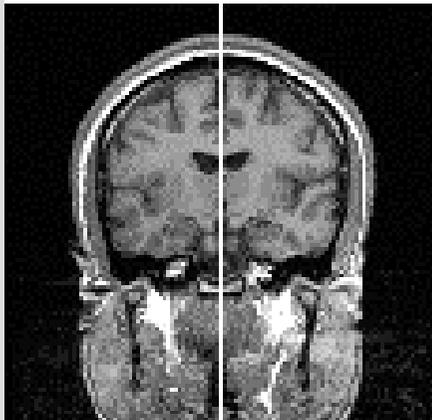
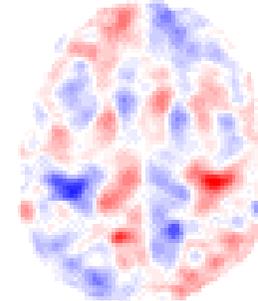
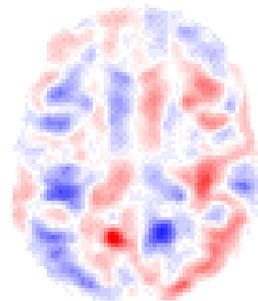
Controls vs. Schizophrenics

Reference Image

10 Controls

10 Patients

Statistically
meaningful
differences



J.-P. Thirion, S. Prima, G. Subsol, and N. Roberts. *Statistical Analysis of Normal and Abnormal Dissymmetry in Volumetric Medical Images*. *Medical Image Analysis*, 4(2):111--121, June 2000



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Comparing Multimodal images?

- Which Similarity Criterion?
 - Numerous criteria available:
 - SSD, Correlation, Mutual information,...?
 - Variable costs and performances
 - Which one is optimal?

Maintz & Viergever, Survey of Registration Methods, Medical Image Analysis 1997



A general framework

- A. Roche proposed a unifying maximum likelihood framework
- Based on a physical and statistical modeling of the image acquisition process
- Creates a hierarchy of criteria, introduces new ones (correlation ratio)

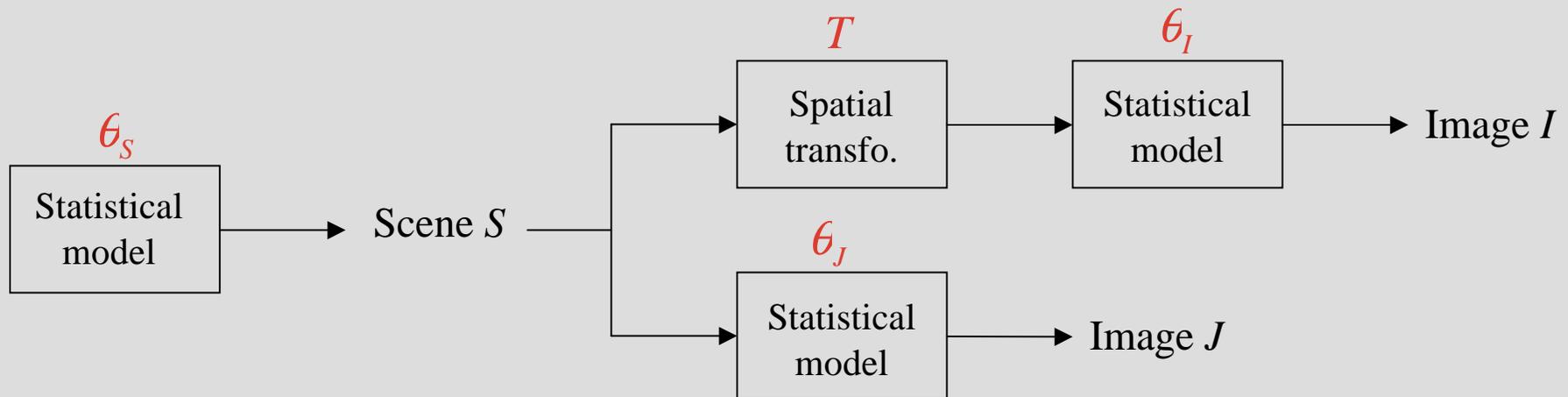
A. Roche, G. Malandain and N. Ayache : *Unifying maximum likelihood approaches in medical image registration*. International Journal of Imaging Systems and Technology : Special Issue on 3D Imaging 11(1), 71-80, 2000.

- Following the pioneering work of (Costa et al, 1993), (Viola, 1995), (Leventon & Grimson, 1998), (Bansal et al, 1998)



Maximum Likelihood Formulation

- General dependence model (Roche et al.)



- Maximum Likelihood

$$\max_{T, \theta_I, \theta_J, \theta_S} P(I, J | T, \theta_I, \theta_J, \theta_S)$$

Auxiliary parameter: θ



Optimal Criterion for Intensity Similarity

Identity: Sum of Square Differences

$$ssd^2 = \sum_k (I(x_k) - J(T(x_k)))^2$$

Affine: Correlation Coefficient

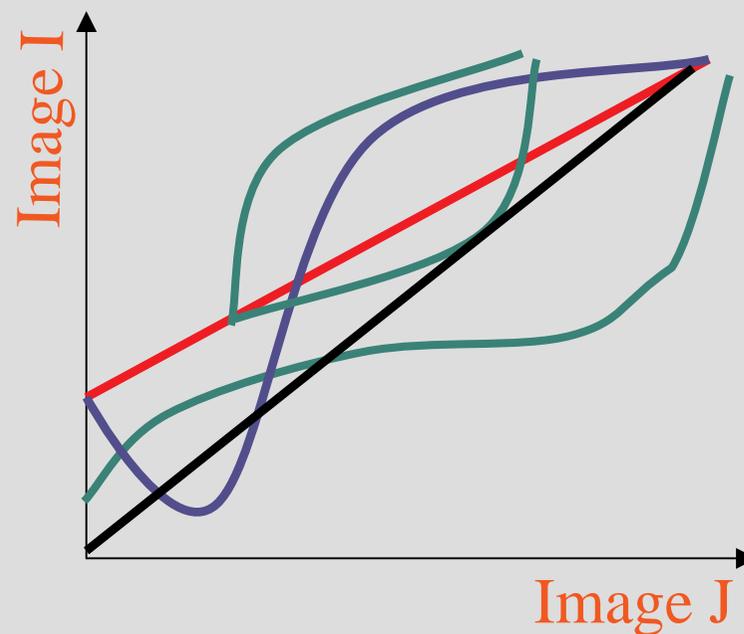
$$\rho^2 = \frac{Cov^2(I, J(T))}{Var(I)}$$

Functional: Correlation Ratio

$$\eta^2 = 1 - \frac{Var(E(I / J(T)))}{Var(I)}$$

Statistical: Mutual Information

$$I(I, J) = H(I) + H(J) - H(I, J)$$



Roboscope : Quantify Brain Deformation during Neurosurgery

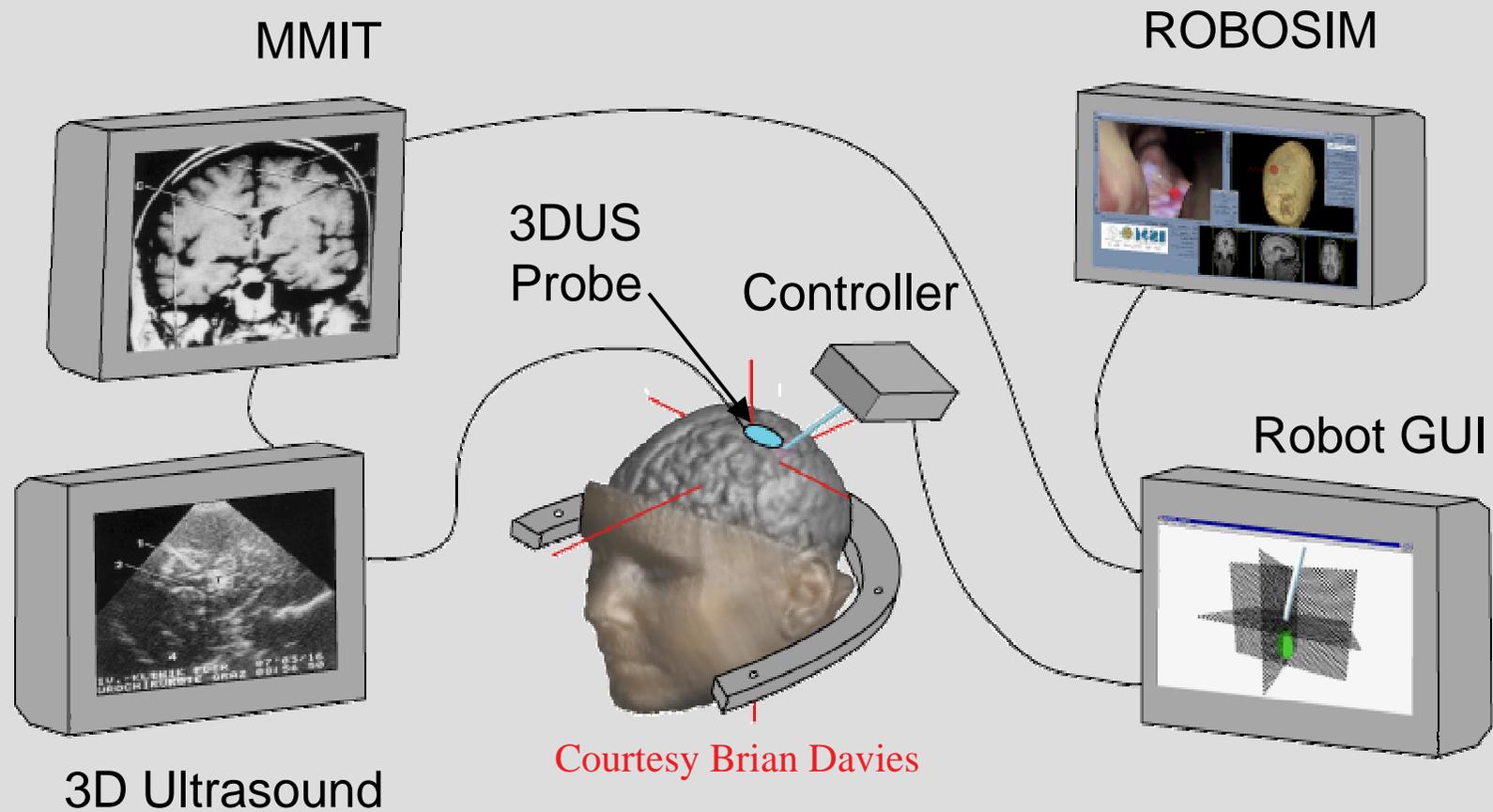
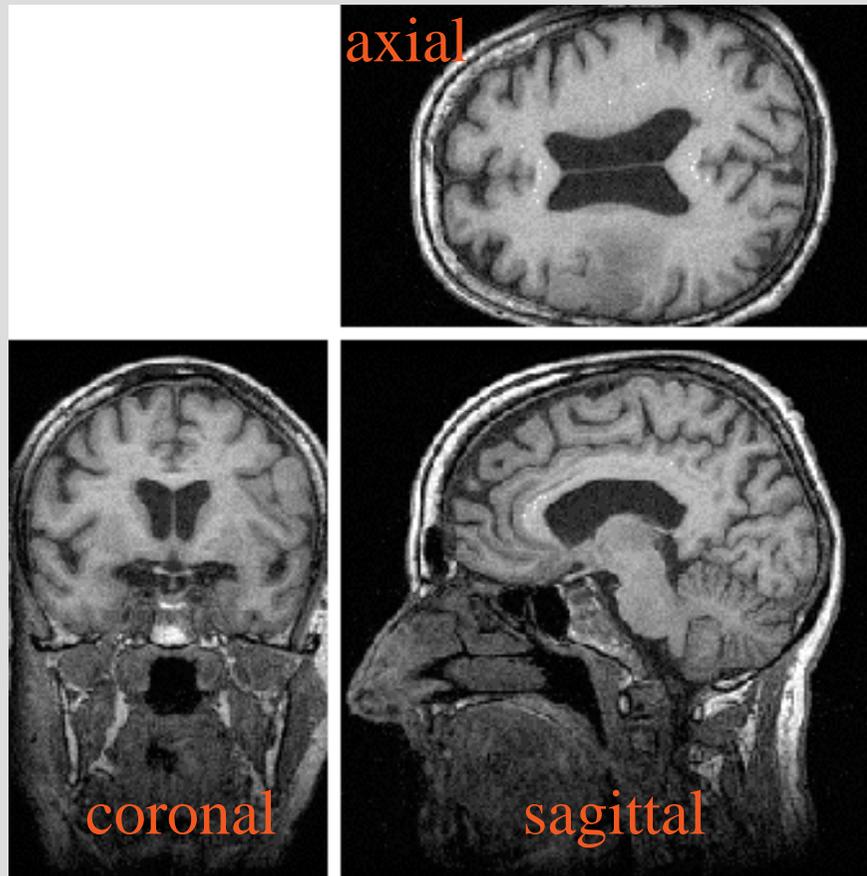


Image-Guided Manipulator-Assisted Neuro-Endoscopy

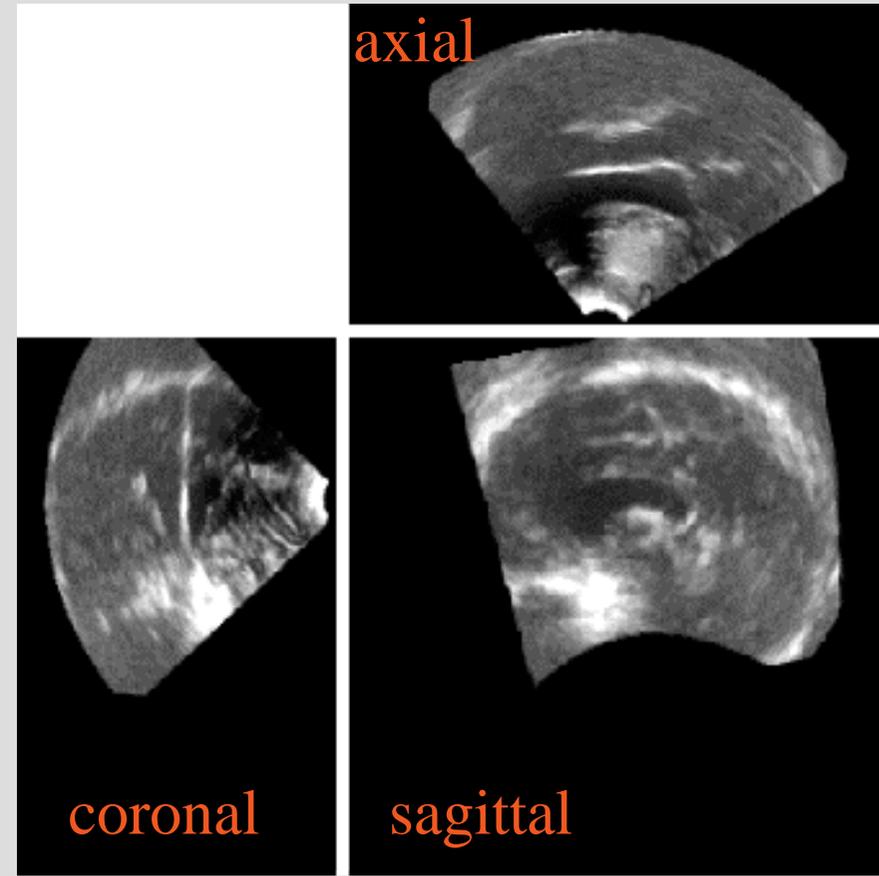


MR-US Images

Pre - Operative MR Image



Per - Operative US Image



Acquisition of images : L. & D. Auer, M. Rudolf

IPAM-MBI 2004 Nicholas Ayache

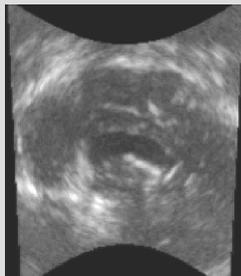


Epidaure



Physics

- Physics of ultrasound and MRI show that as a first approximation, it is reasonable to assume a dependence of the US signal as a **function** of MR **intensity** and **gradient**.



= function (



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Bivariate Correlation Ratio

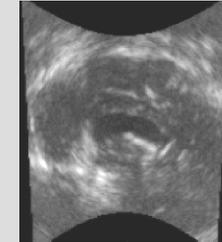
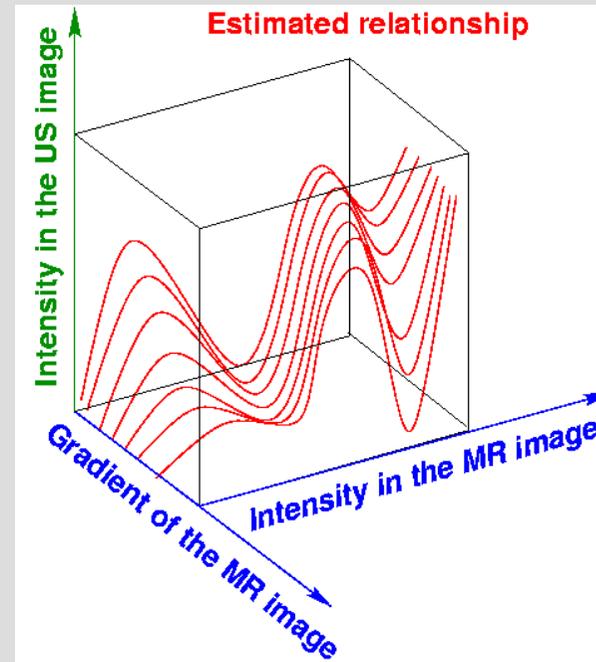
- **I** function of **2** variables

$$I = f(J, |\nabla J|)$$

- 2 iterated stages
 - Robust polyn. approx. of **f**
 - Estimation of **T**:

$$\hat{T} = \operatorname{argmin}_T \sum_k (I(x_k) - \hat{f}(J(T(x_k)), |\nabla J(T(x_k))|))^2$$

A. Roche, X. Pennec, G. Malandain, and N. Ayache
 Rigid Registration of 3D Ultrasound with MR Images:
 a New Approach Combining Intensity and Gradient Information.
 IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, 20(10):1038--1049, October 2001.



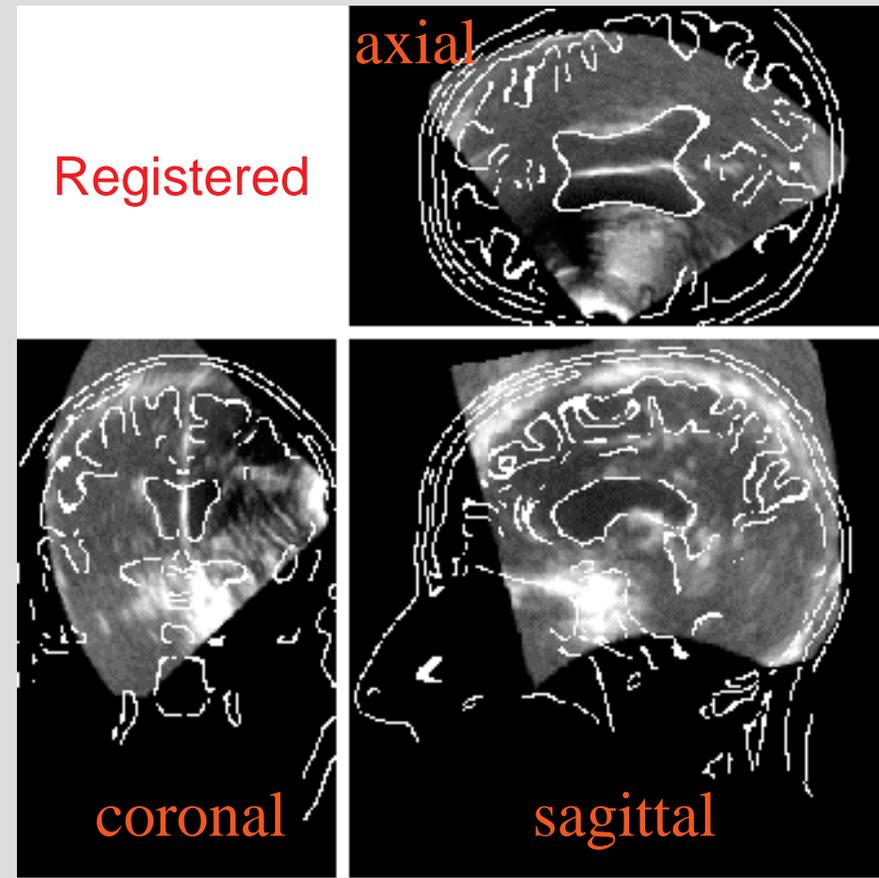
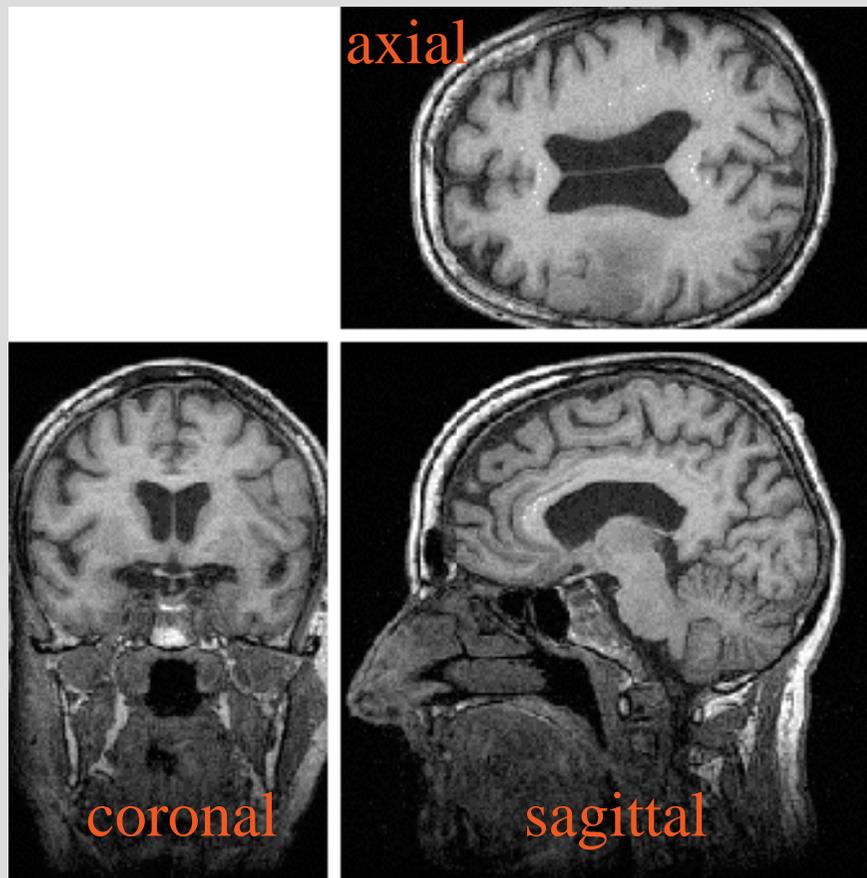
Dependency Hypothesis



Typical Registration Result with Bivariate Correlation Ratio

Pre - Operative MR Image

Per - Operative US Image



Acquisition of images : L. & D. Auer, M. Rudolf

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Epidaure



Accuracy/Robustness

Sensitivity to initialization

200 registration with

- 15 deg random rotation
- 20 mm random translation

Bronze standard

- registration loops

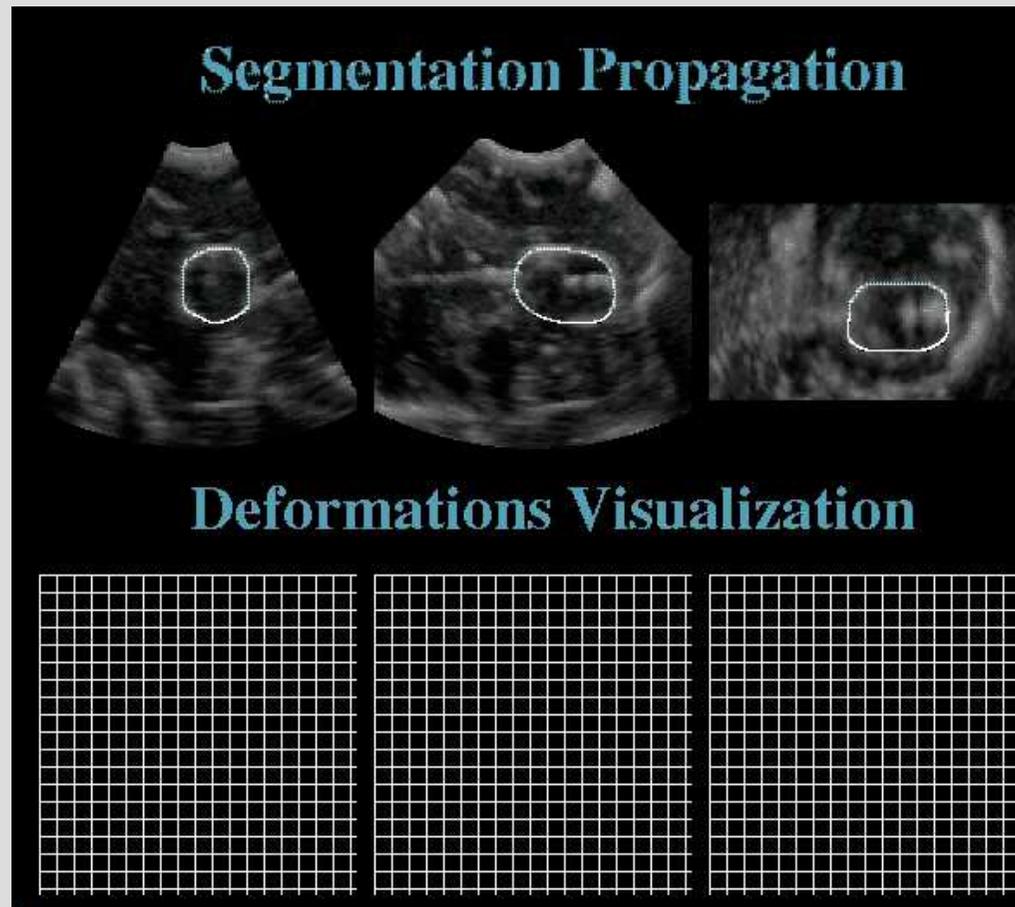
	Failures	Mean accuracy
Biv. CR	6%	0.9 mm / 0.9 deg
Corr. ratio	12%	0.9 mm / 0.7 deg
Mutual info.	28%	1.4 mm / 0.8 deg



[Roche, Pennec, Malandain, Ayache, IEEE TMI 20(10), 1038-1049, Oct. 2001]



Tracking US Images



Pig Brain

- **Parallel version of Pasha**

R. Stefanescu, X. Pennec, and N. Ayache. *Grid-Enabled Non-Rigid Registration of Medical Images*. *Parallel Processing Letters*, In Press, 2004.



Metamorphosis



t=0



t=0,5



t=1



Metamorphosis



Interpolation and Extrapolation



t=0
neutral



t=0,5
attenuated expression



t=1
expression (smile)



t=1,5
exaggerated expression



Interpolation of 2 images

- Slow down motion in video sequences



Original sequence of 7 images

IPAM-MBI 2004 Nicholas Ayache



Slow down 10 times, 61 images

Epidaure

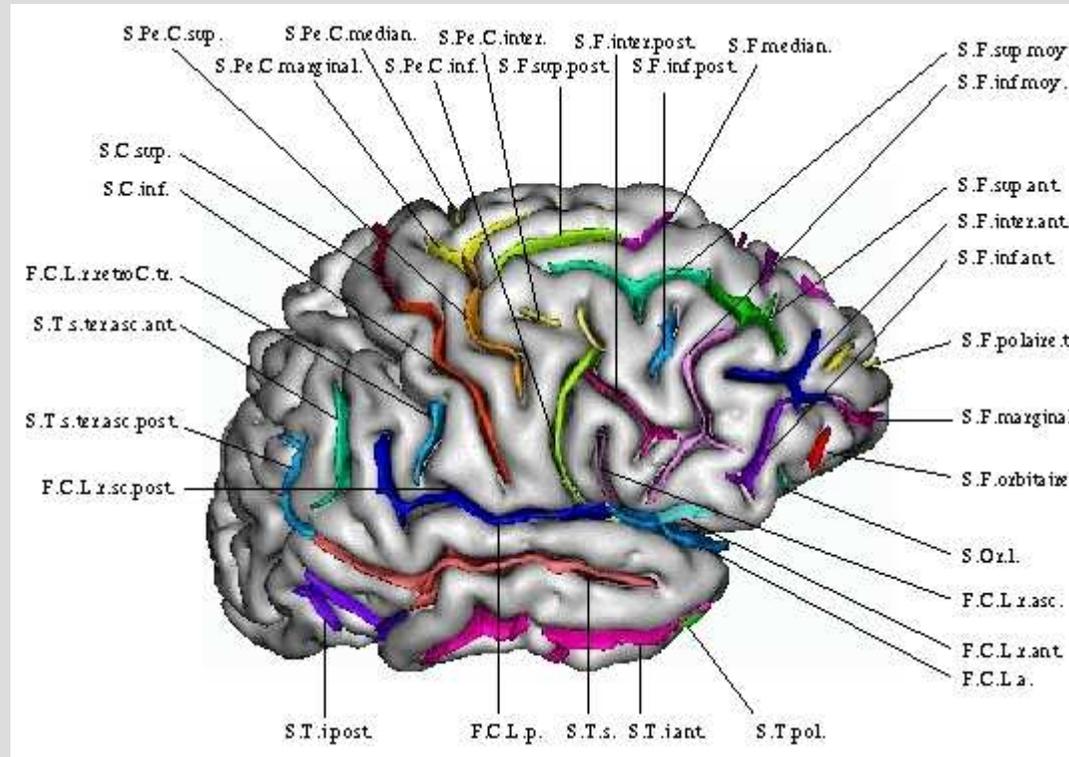


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Geometric-Iconic-Semantic



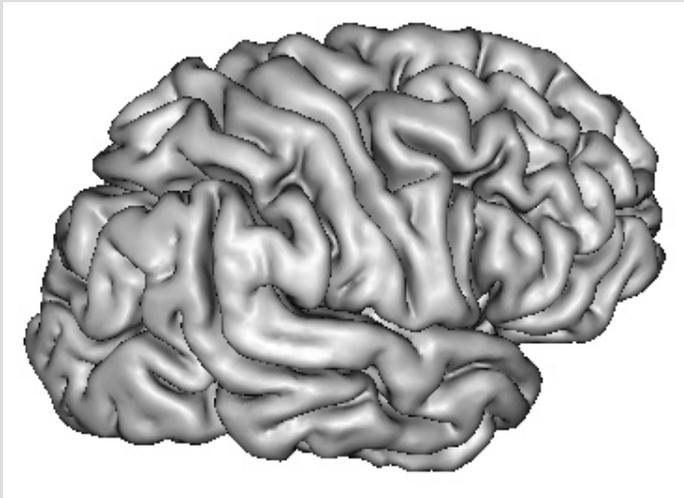
JF. Mangin, D. Rivière, SHFJ-CEA

Concerted action : CEA-Epidaure-Robotvis-Salpêtrière-Vista

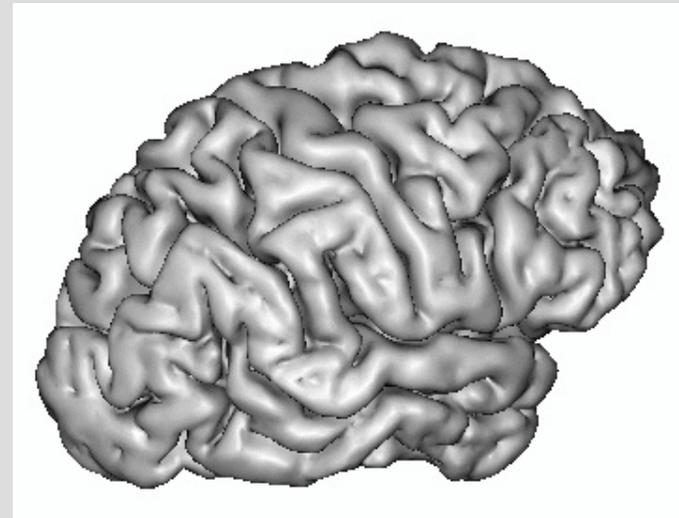


Intersubject Brain Registration

- Geometric approach to match homologous sulci
- Iconic approach otherwise



Cortex 1



Cortex 2



Extension of Pasha Algorithm

- Add geometrical constraints C_2 between homologous sulci

$$E(C_1, C_2, U) = E_S(I, J, C_1) + \sigma_1 \int \|C_1 - U\|^2 \\ + \sigma_2 \int \|C_2 - U\|^2 + \lambda \int \|\nabla U\|^2$$

[P. Cachier et al, MICCAI 2001]

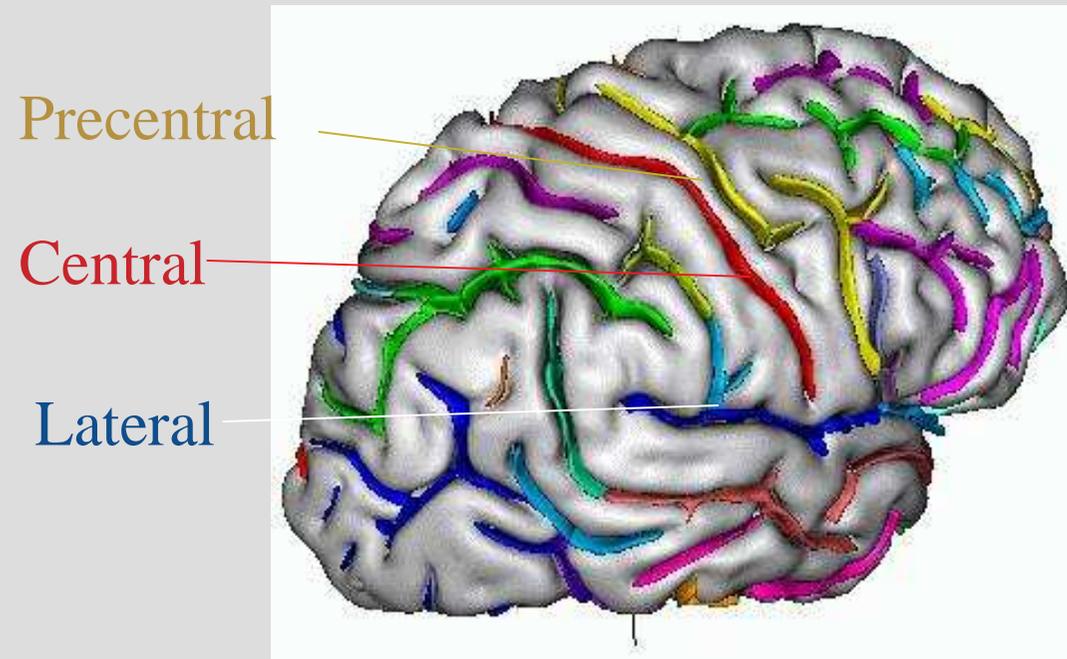
Min. C_1 : gradient descent

Min. C_2 : closest point

Min. U : explicit solution (convolution+spline)



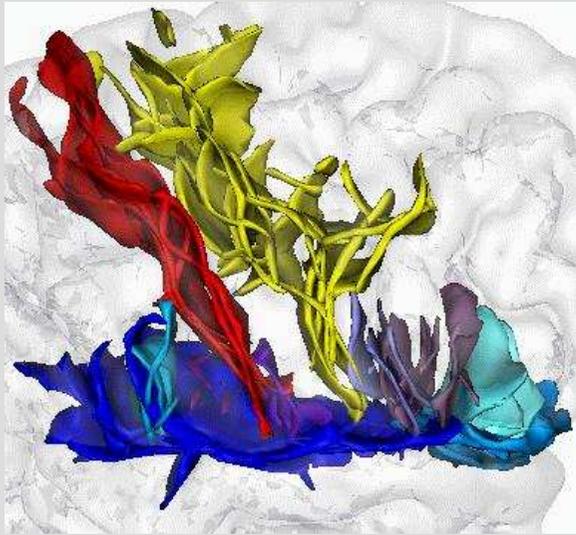
Three Sulcal Lines



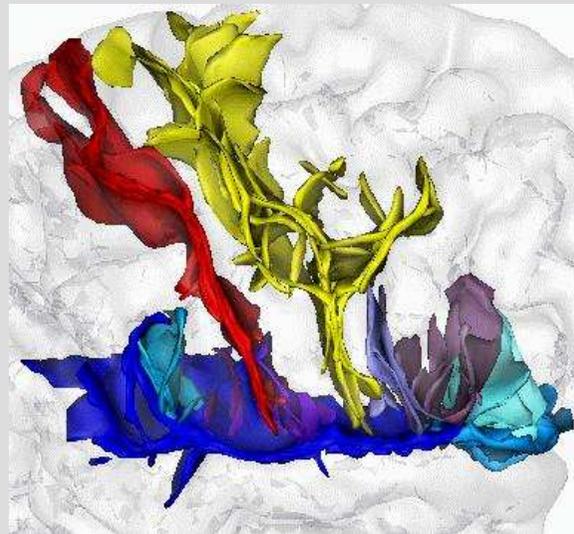
[Rivière *et al.*00]



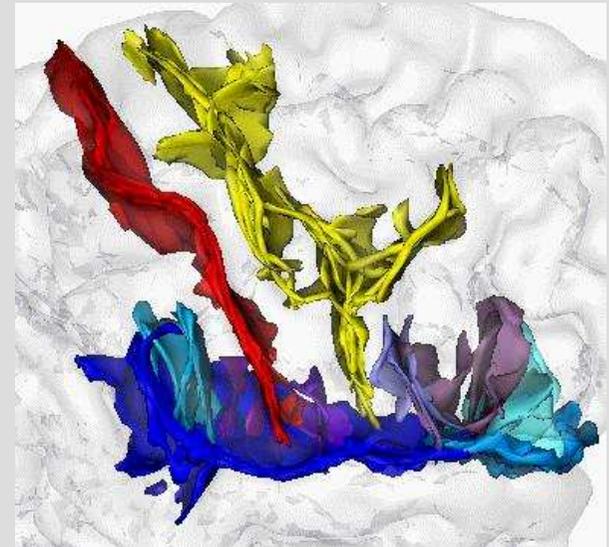
Results with 5 subjects



Affine Initialization



Iconic

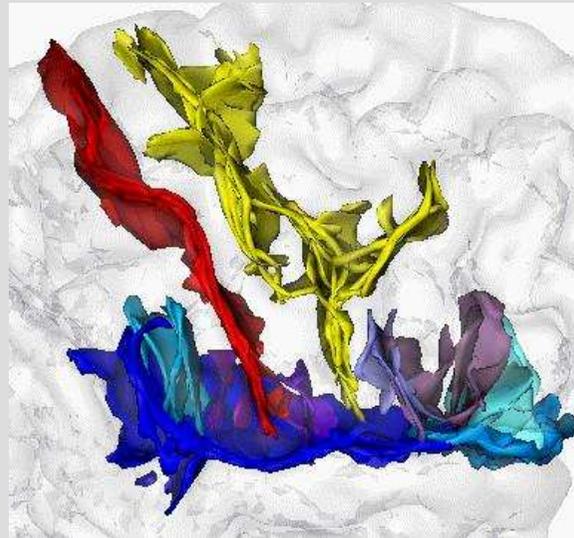


Iconic + Geometric

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Multisubject Non-Rigid Registration of Brain MRI using Intensity and Geometric Features.
MICCAI'01, LNCS vol 2208, 734-742, 2001.



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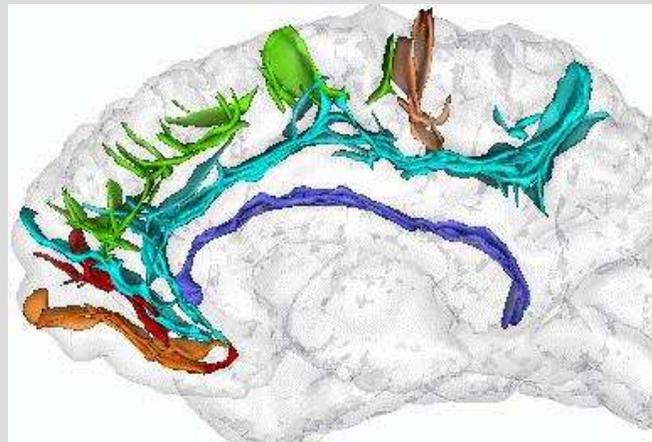


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Histological Atlases

- Built from histological 2-D cross-sections
 - microscopic, macroscopic optical images
 - autoradiographies
- Fusion with 3-D medical images
 - for localisation or validation purposes

S. Ourselin, A. Roche, G. Subsol, X. Pennec, and N. Ayache. Reconstructing a 3D Structure from Serial Histological Sections. *Image and Vision Computing*, 19(1-2):25--31, January 2001.

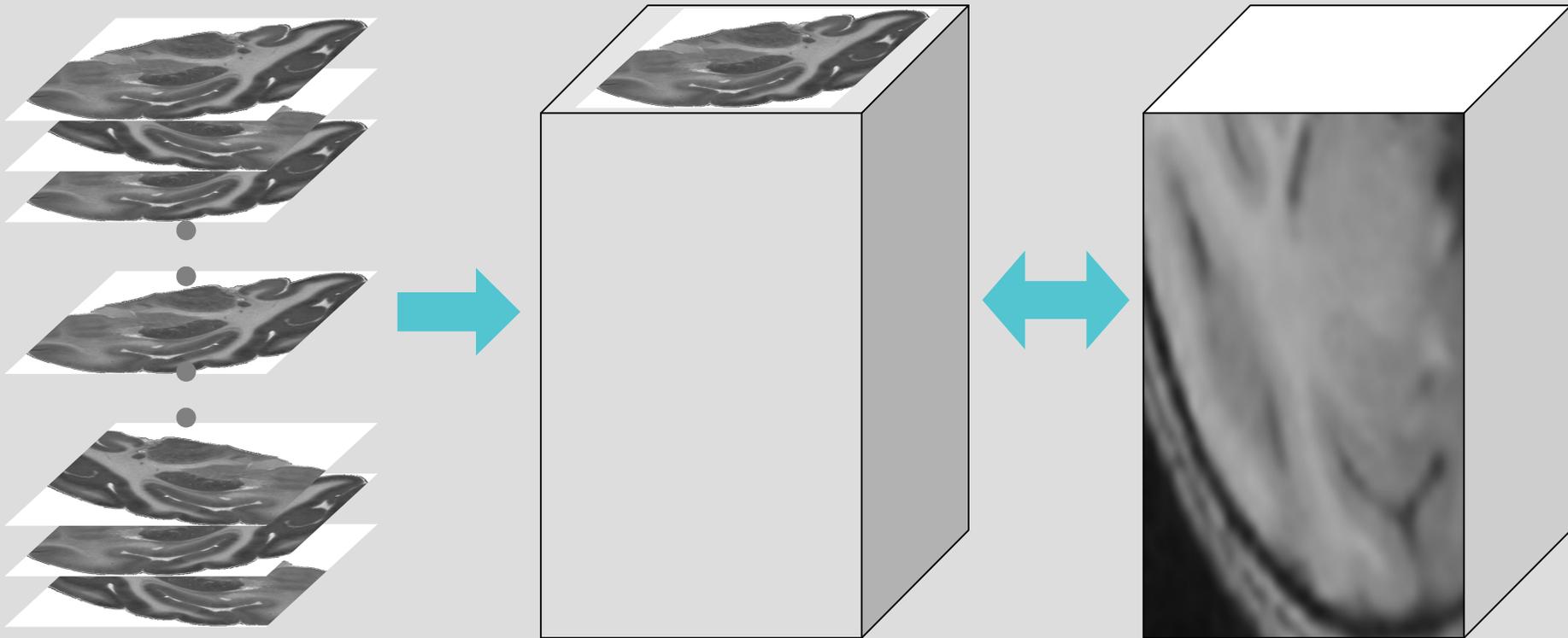


Mapawamo Project

- Objectives
 - Mapping visual cortical regions in awake, behaving monkey using functional MRI
 - Compare fMRI results with standard metabolic mapping (ground truth) : double label 2deoxyglucose - 2DG
- Coordinator: G. Orban (Louvain), partners involve Odyssee, Epidaure,...
- Work of **S. Ourselin, E. Bardinet, G. Malandain (Epidaure/INRIA)**



Two registration problems

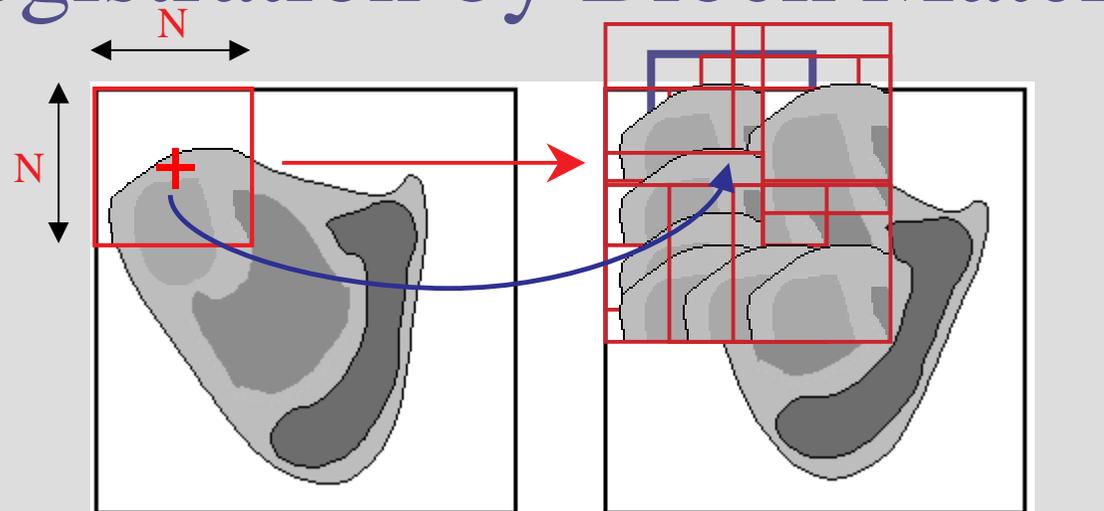


2-D -->3D
autoradiographies

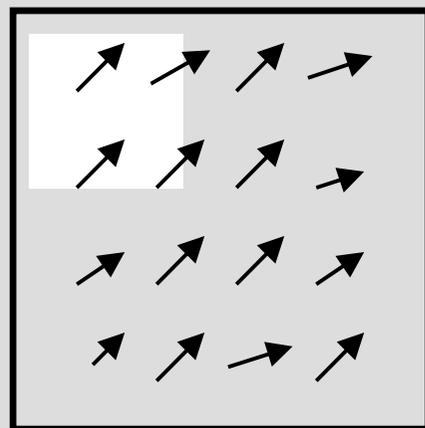
3-D Autoradiographies &
3-D Anatomy Fusion



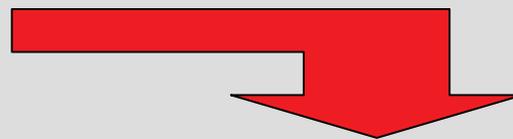
Registration by Block Matching



floating image I_1 reference image I_2



Displacement field



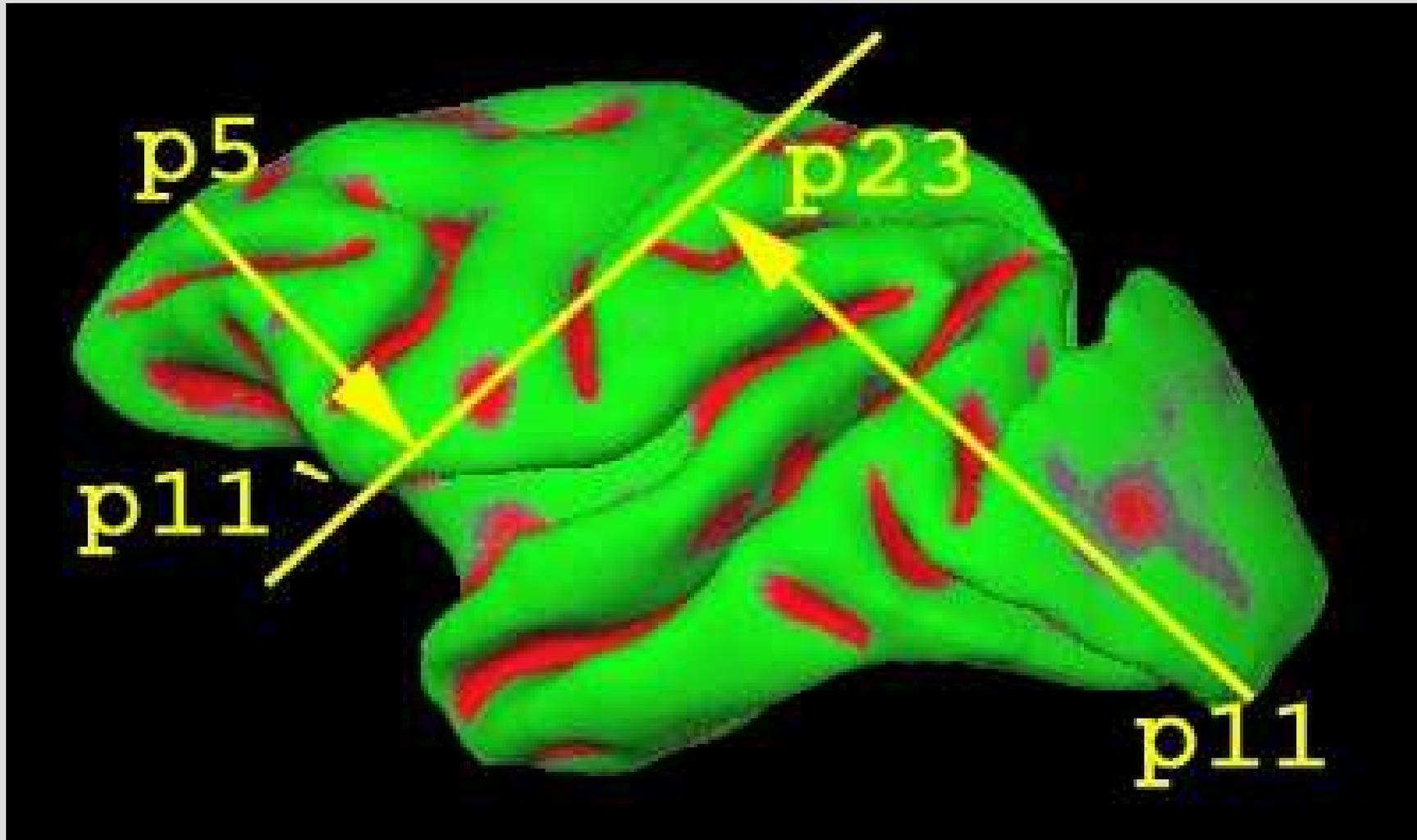
Sébastien Ourselin Thesis
Ourselin et al., IVC 2000

Following Z. Zhang et al.

Robust & Multiscale Estimate of
Rigid /Affine **Global transformation**

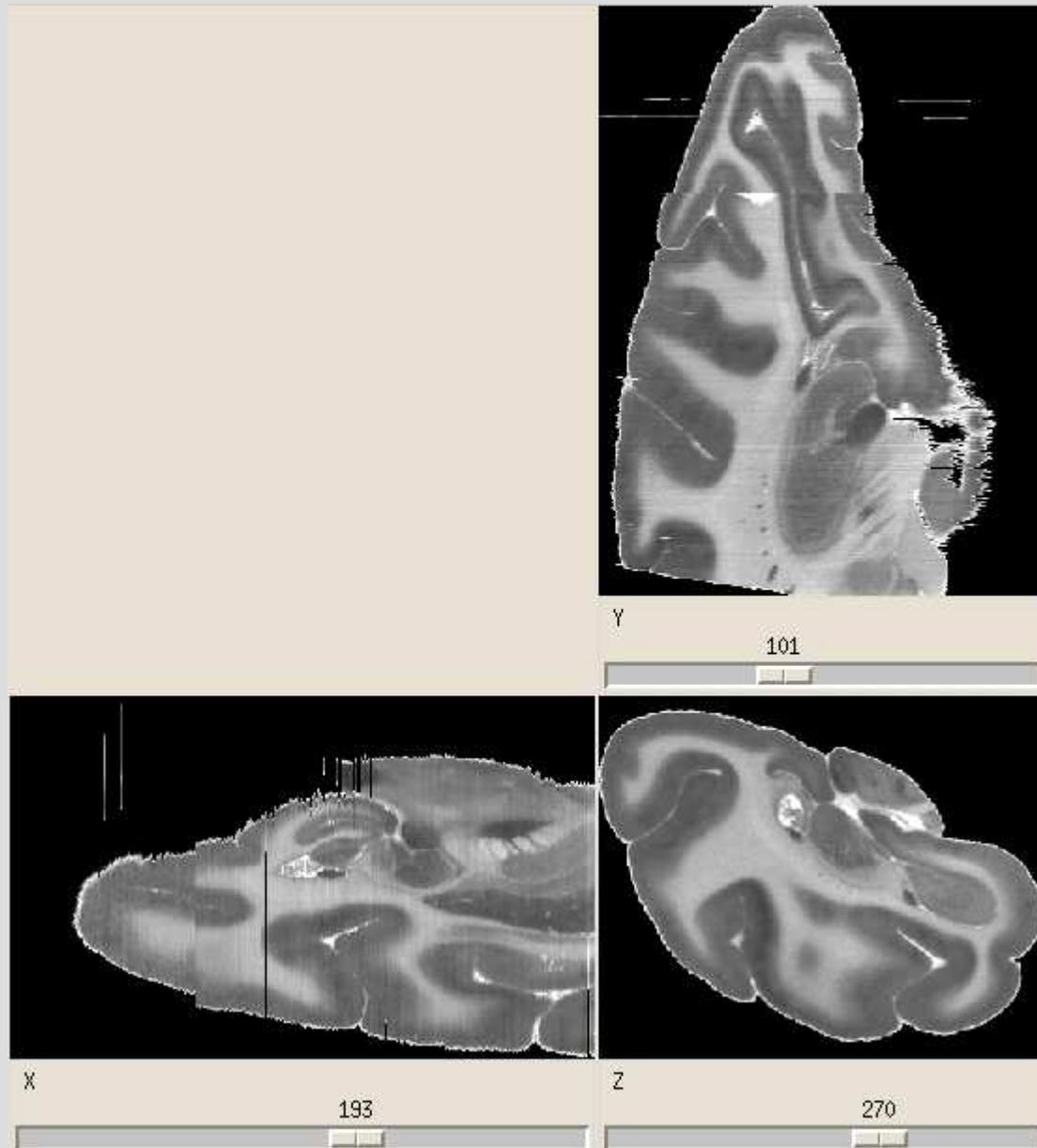


Alignment results



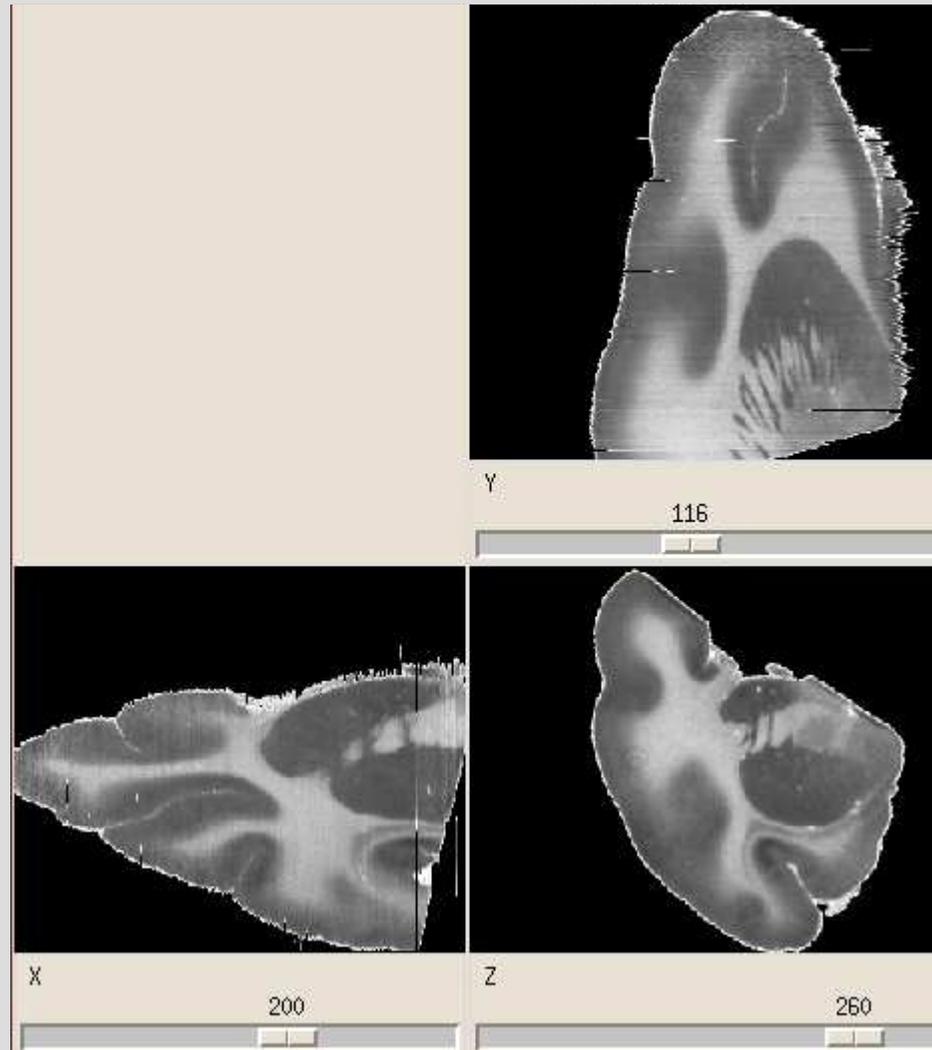
Posterior part

14C



Anterior part

14C



MRI / Autoradiography Registration



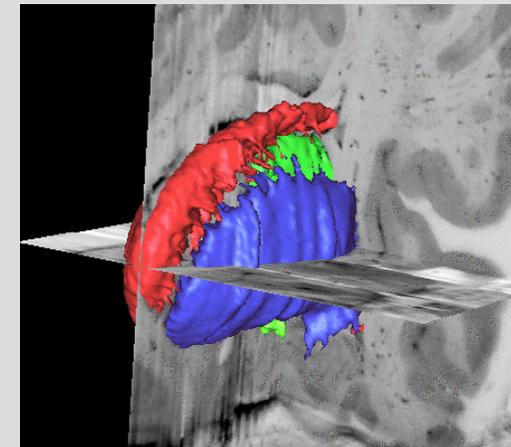
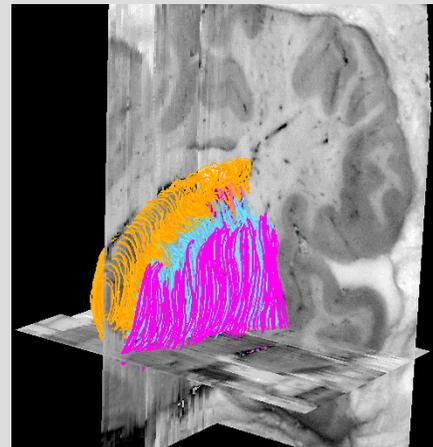
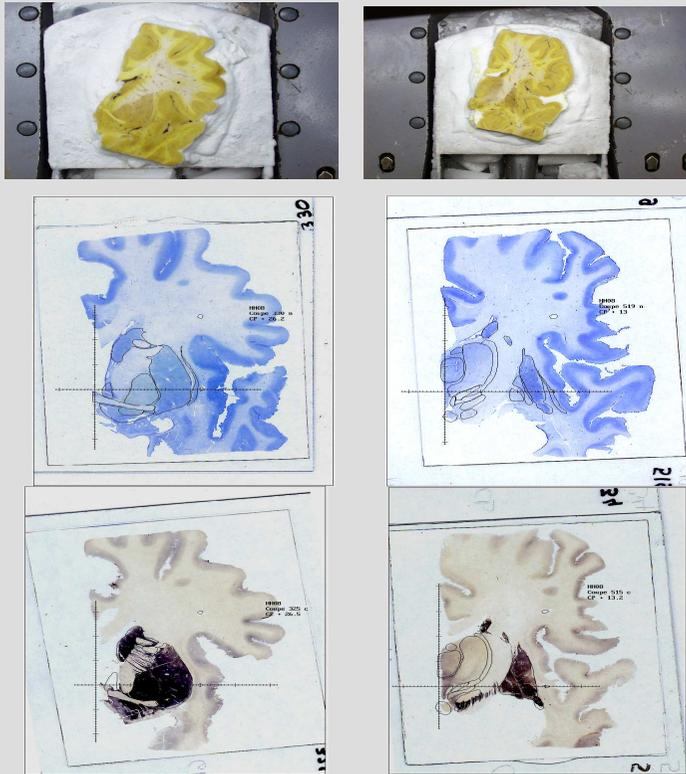
E. Bardinet, G. Malandain
Mapawamo Project



New Atlas of Deep Nuclei

- Built from histological cross-sections
- Fused with post-mortem MRI

(INRIA & Inserm U 289, Pitié-Salpêtrière)



S.Ourselin, E.Bardinet, J.Yelnik, D.Dormont et al., MICCAI'01



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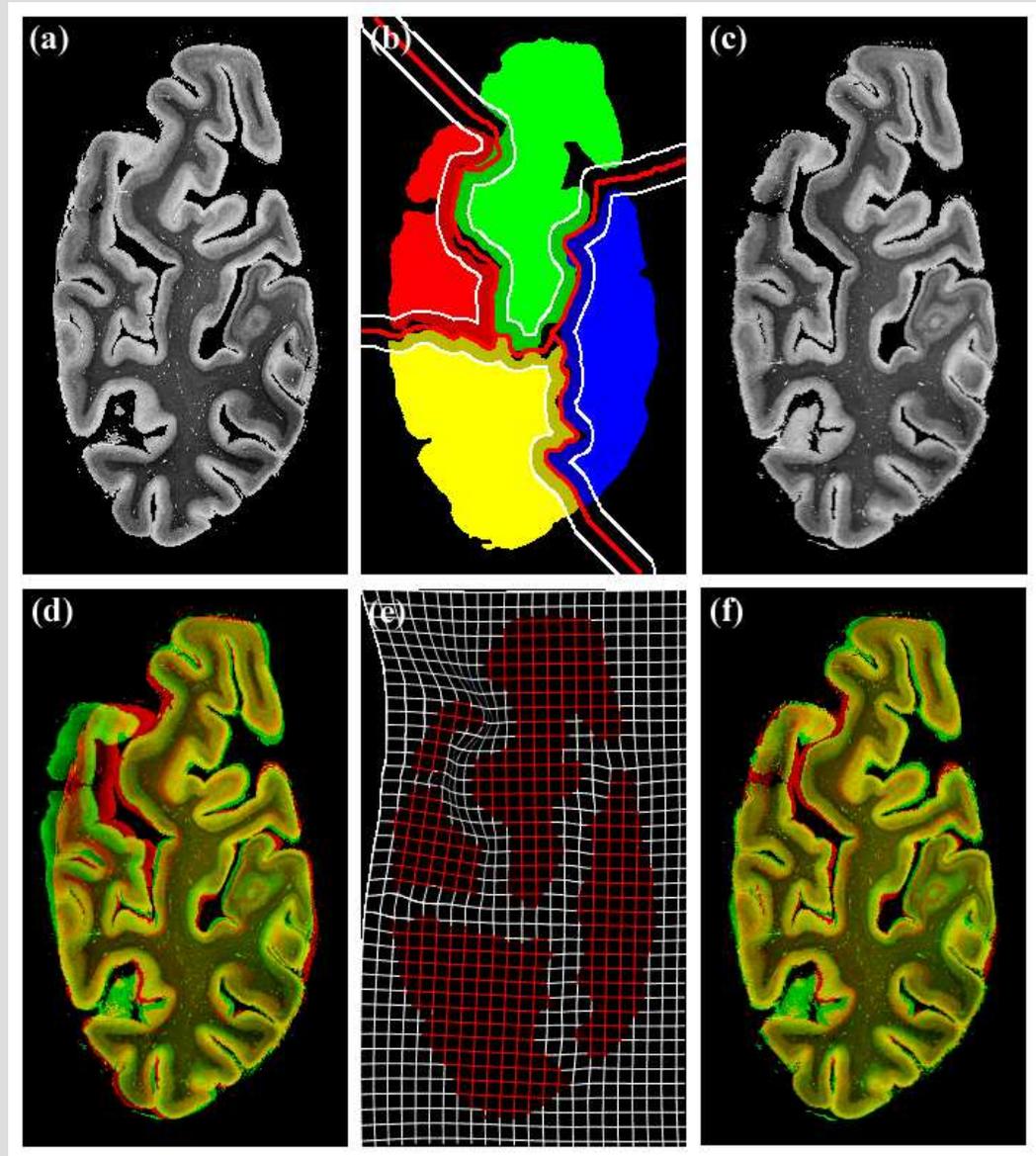
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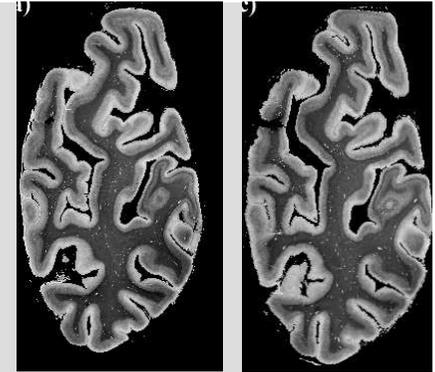
Piecewise Affine Registration

- Hierarchical Clustering
- ...Not a diffeomorphism

Pitiot, Bardinet
Thompson, Malandain
WBIR'03, Philadelphia



Polyrigid Transformations



- N Components:

- Local Rigid transformation : $T_i(x) = R_i \cdot x + t_i$
- Gaussian spatial influence

- anchor point : a_i

$$w_i(x) = p_i \cdot G_{(a_i, \sigma_i)}(x)$$

- local weight : p_i

- influence distance : σ_i

- Direct averaging of transformations is not invertible

$$T(x) = \frac{\sum_i w_i(x) T_i(x)}{\sum_i w_i(x)}$$

V.Arsigny, X. Pennec, N. Ayache. *Polyrigid and Polyaffine Transformations: a New Class of Diffeomorphisms for Locally Rigid or Affine Registration*. MICCAI, LNCS 2879, 829--837, 2003



Polyrigid Transformations

- for each rigid component, the trajectory satisfies the following ODE ($A_i = \log(R_i)$):

$$\dot{x}(s) = V_i(x, s) = t_i + A_i(x - s t_i) \text{ for } s \in [0, 1]$$

- Idea : *averaging speed vectors* :

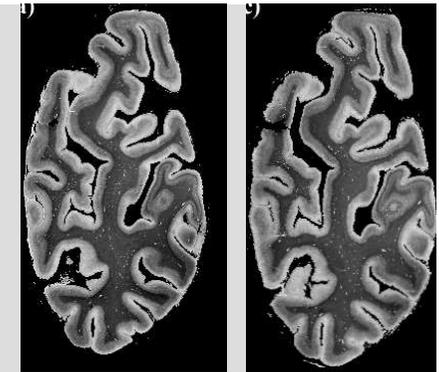
$$\dot{x}(s) = V(x, s) = \frac{\sum_i w_i(x) V_i(x, s)}{\sum_i w_i(x)}$$

- Global transformation *found by integration* :
 - diffeomorphism regular with respect to each parameter



Polyrigid Transformations

- 4 Rigid Components
- Optimized by Gradient Descent (ITK)



Rigid registration



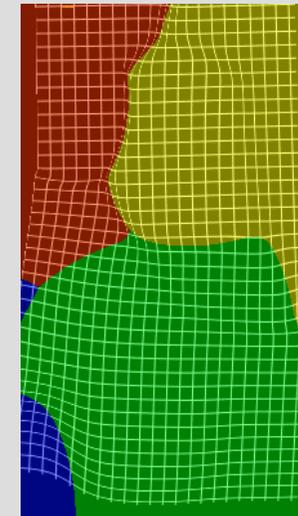
Affine registration



PRT registration



PRT deformed grid



Difference images

vs.

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Revisiting Regularization

$$E(C, U, \dot{U}) = E_S(I, J, C) + \sigma \int \|C - U\|^2$$

$$+ \lambda \int \|\nabla U\|^2 + \mu \int \|\nabla \dot{U}\|^2$$

- Modulate regularization as a function of
 - 1- local information (presence of texture/edges)
 - 2- local variability (statistics on anatomy)

R. Stefanescu, X. Pennec, N. Ayache, *Grid Powered Nonlinear Image Registration with Locally Adaptive Regularization*, Medical Image Analysis, Sept 2004 (also MICCAI'03)



1. Non Stationary *Fluid* Regularization

Inspired from non-stationary image diffusion

- Weickert 1997, 2000

$$\frac{\partial \dot{U}}{\partial t} = (1 - k) \Delta \dot{U}$$

Confidence in the correction field

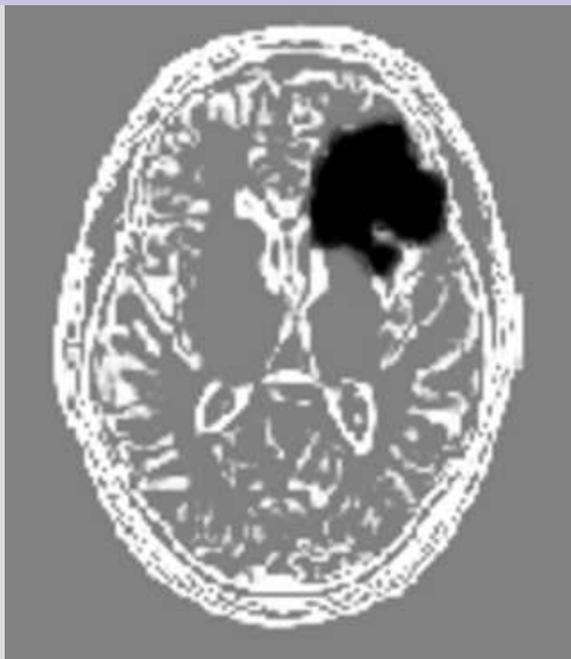
- $k \sim 1$ for edges
(driving forces)
- $k \sim 0$ for uniform regions
(interpolation)
- Used to model pathologies (e.g. tumors)



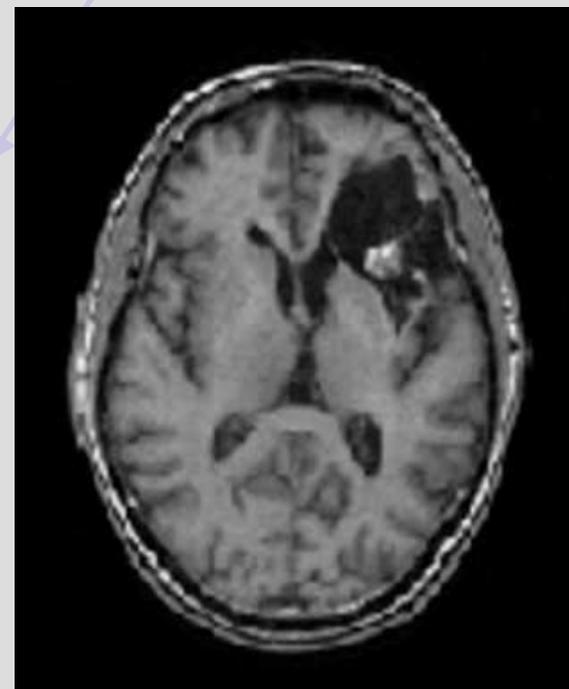
Patient with Pathology

Fuzzy segmentation of the resection

Confidence



Low confidence values in the resection region

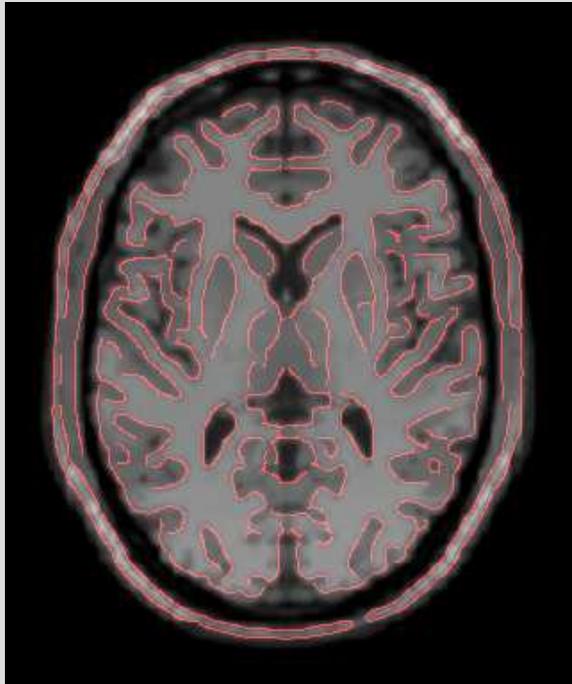


Patient T1-MRI

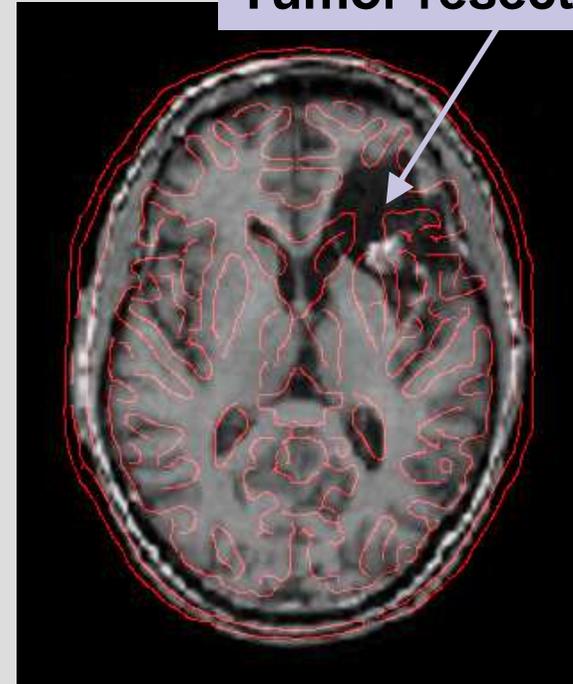


Atlas and Patient with Pathology

Initialization: affine registration maximizing the correlation ratio



Atlas



Tumor resection

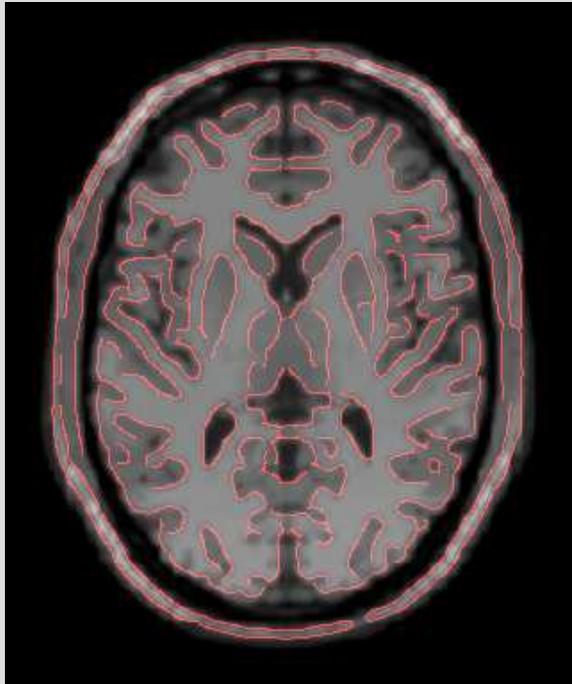
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MICCAI'04, 2004.

Data courtesy of Dr. Pierre-Yves Bondiau, M.D., Centre Antoine Lacassagne, Nice, France



Registration Result



Atlas

Resection is “preserved”



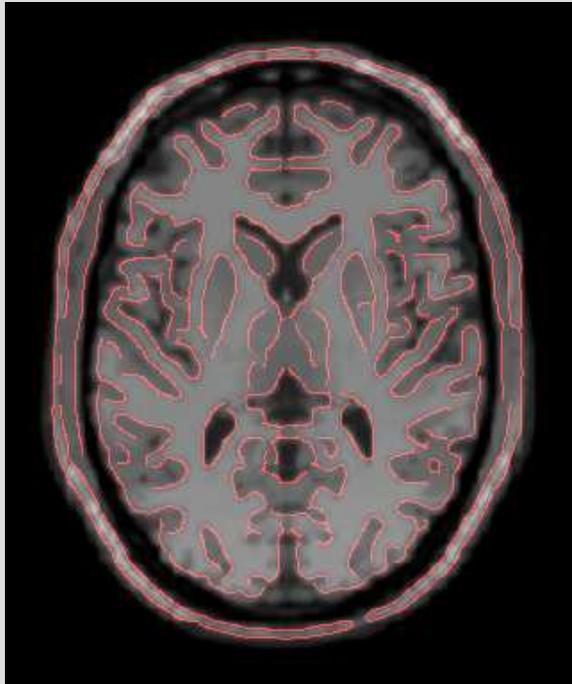
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Classical (wrong) Registration



Atlas



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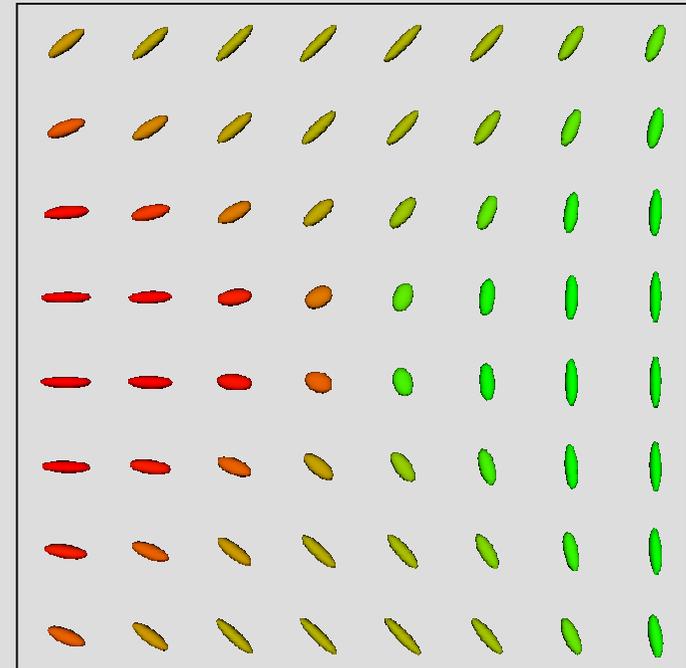
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2- Non Stationary *Elastic* Regularization

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} = \text{div}(D\nabla(U))$$

D encodes a priori variability



Algorithm Complexity

- Parallel implementation on cluster of PC's
 - Efficient parallel AOS scheme for diffusion PDEs:
 - Image size: 256x256x124
 - 15 PC's: 2GHz, Pentium IV processors
 - Execution time: 5 minutes

R. Stefanescu, X. Pennec, and N. Ayache. A Grid Service for the Interactive Use of a Parallel Non-Rigid Registration Algorithm of Medical Images. *Methods of Information in Medicine*, In Press, 2004



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Statistics on Sugal Lines

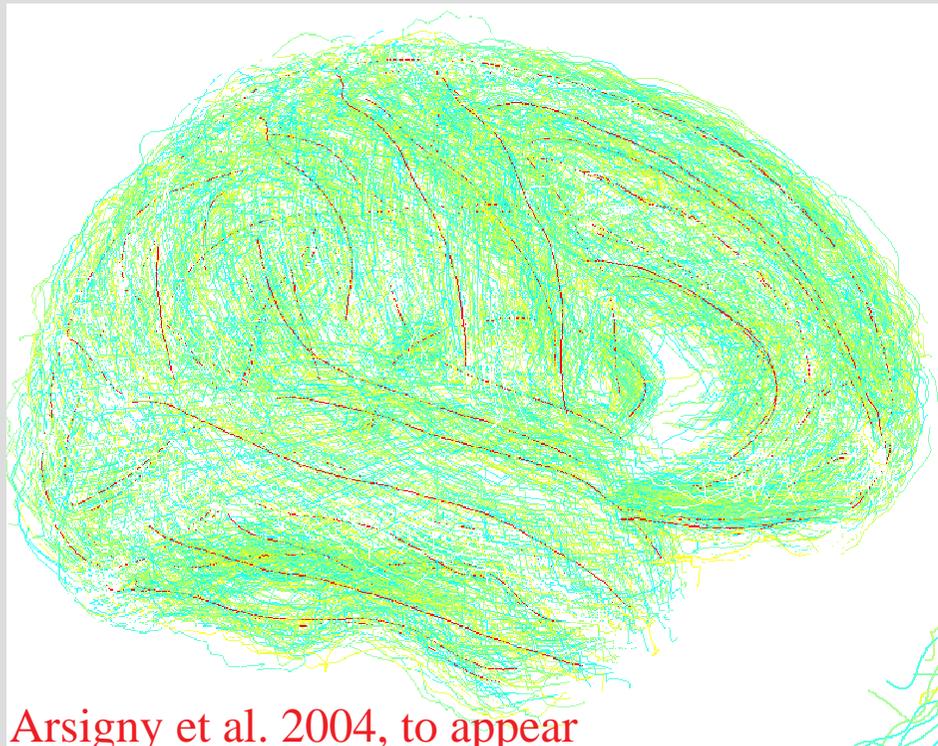
- Goal:
 - Learn local brain variability from sulci
 - Better constrain inter-subject registration
 - Correlate this variability with age, pathologies

Collaborative work between Epidaure (INRIA) and LONI (UCLA)
V. Arsigny, N. Ayache, P. Fillard, X. Pennec and P. Thompson



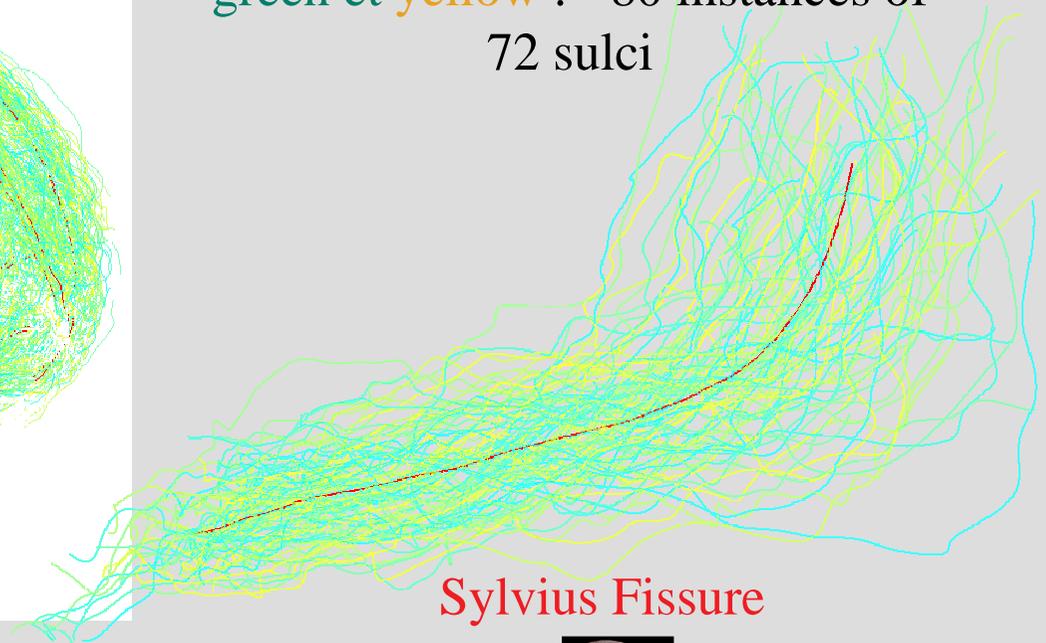
Computation of Average Sulci

- Alternate minimization of global variance
 - Dynamic programming to match the mean to instances
 - Gradient descent to compute the mean curve position



Arsigny et al. 2004, to appear

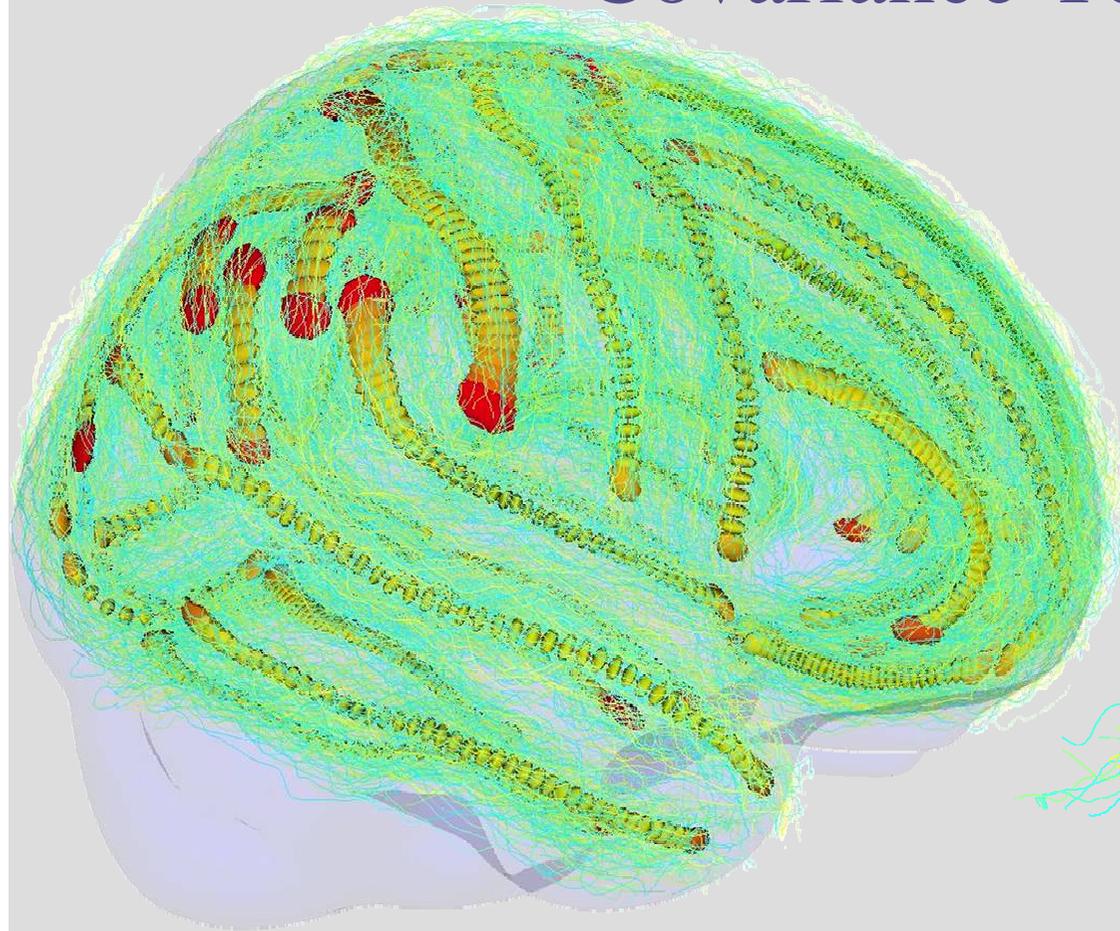
red : mean curve
green et yellow : ~80 instances of
72 sulci



Sylvius Fissure



Covariance Tensors

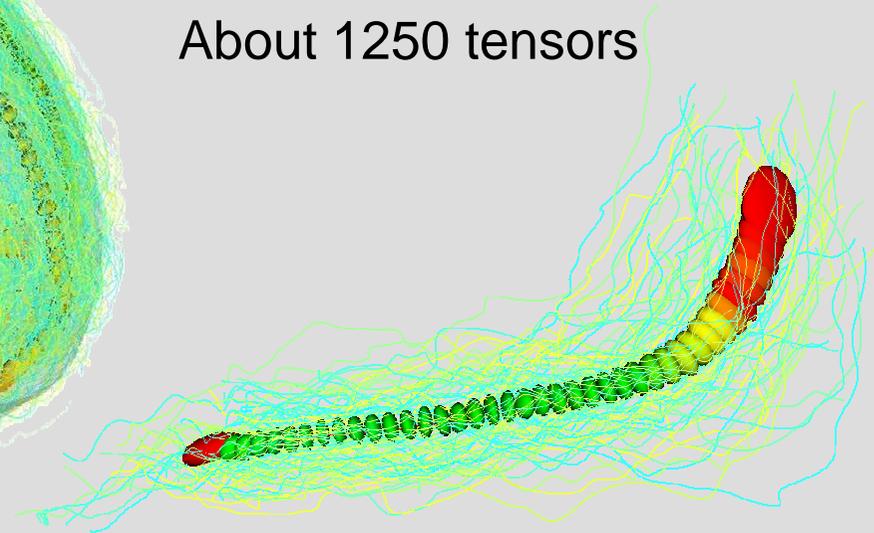


Color codes Trace

Currently:

80 instances of 72 sulci

About 1250 tensors



Covariance Tensors
along Sylvius Fissure

Fillard, Pennec, Ayache, Thompson, 2004, to appear



Tensor Computing

- Tensors = Symmetric Definite Positive Matrices
- Various operations
 - regularization, interpolation, compression, extrapolation
 - statistical comparisons
- Previous work includes Statistics on Manifolds and Tensor Computations
 - Skovgaard84, Pennec96&99&04, Pennec-Ayache98, Forstner-Moonen99, Poupon00, Alexander01, Tschumperlé02, Chéfd'hotel02&04, Lenglet04, Coulon04, Fletcher-Joshi04, etc.



Affine Invariant Metric

- Action of Linear Group GL_n

$$\forall A \in GL_n, A * \Sigma = A \Sigma A^T$$

- Affine Invariant Distance

$$dist(A * \Sigma_1, A * \Sigma_2) = dist(\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2), \forall A \in GL_n$$

Scalar product on $T_{Id}M$:

$$\langle W_1 | W_2 \rangle_{Id} \stackrel{def}{=} Tr(W_1^T W_2) = Tr(W_1 W_2)$$

$$W_1, W_2 \in T_{Id}M$$

on $T_{\Sigma}M$:

$$\langle W_1 | W_2 \rangle_{\Sigma} \stackrel{def}{=} =$$

$$\langle \Sigma^{-1/2} * W_1, \Sigma^{-1/2} * W_2 \rangle_{Id}$$

X Pennec, P. Fillard, N. Ayache: A Riemannian Framework for Tensor Computing,
Research Report 5255, INRIA, July 2004



Exponential and Logarithmic Maps

- Geodesics

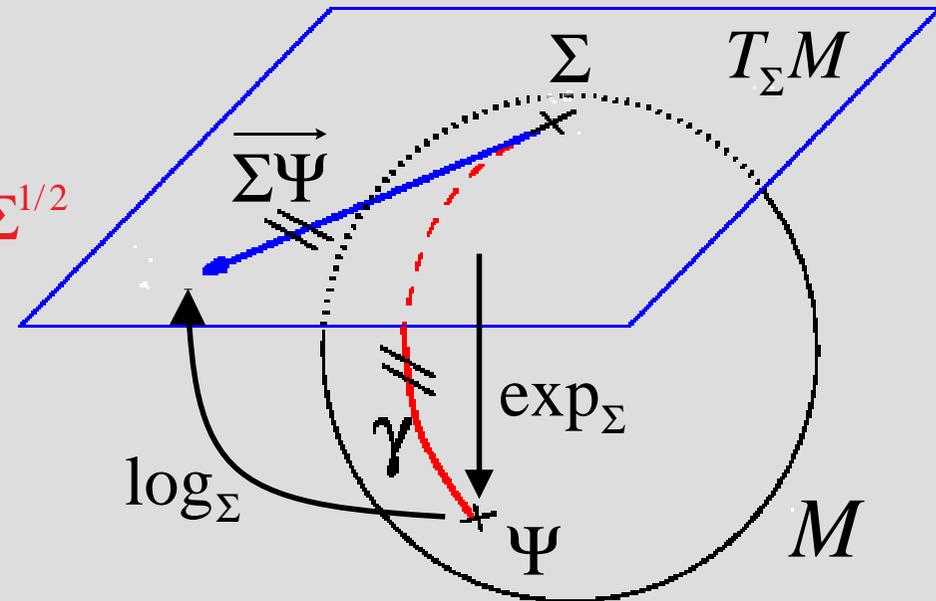
$$\Gamma_{Id,W}(t) = \exp(tW)$$

- Exponential Map :

$$\exp_{\Sigma}(\overrightarrow{\Sigma\Psi}) = \Sigma^{1/2} \exp(\Sigma^{-1/2} \cdot \overrightarrow{\Sigma\Psi} \cdot \Sigma^{-1/2}) \Sigma^{1/2}$$

- Logarithmic Map :

$$\log_{\Sigma}(\Psi) = \Sigma^{1/2} \log(\Sigma^{-1/2} \cdot \Psi \cdot \Sigma^{-1/2}) \Sigma^{1/2}$$

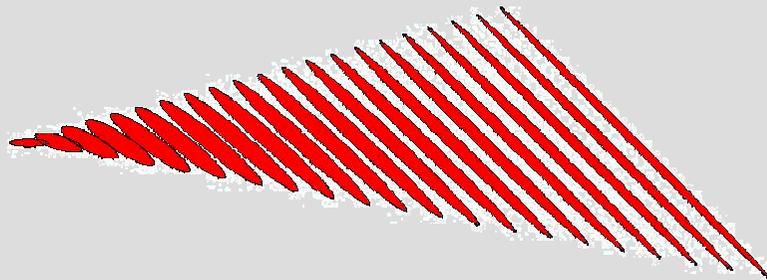


$$\text{dist}(\Sigma, \Psi)^2 = \left\langle \overrightarrow{\Sigma\Psi} \mid \overrightarrow{\Sigma\Psi} \right\rangle_{\Sigma} = \left\| \log(\Sigma^{-1/2} \cdot \Psi \cdot \Sigma^{-1/2}) \right\|_{L_2}^2$$

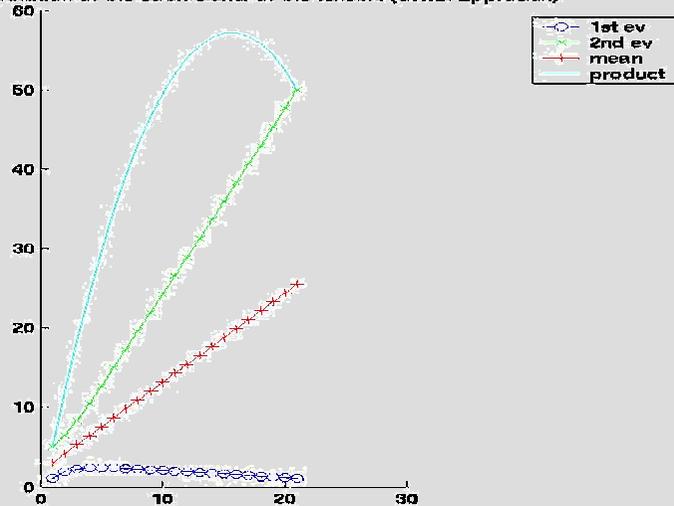


Linear vs. Riemannian Interpolation

Interpolation of the coefficients:



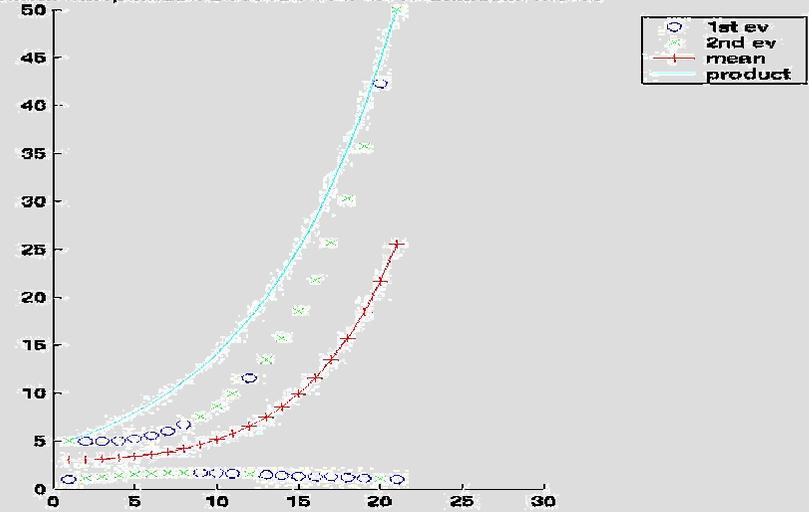
Linear interpolation of the coefficients of the tensors (trivial approach)



Interpolation achieved with the Riemannian metric:

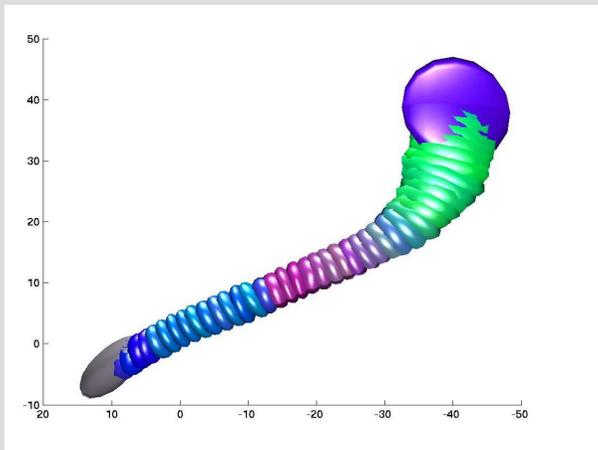


Linear interpolation achieved with the Riemannian metric

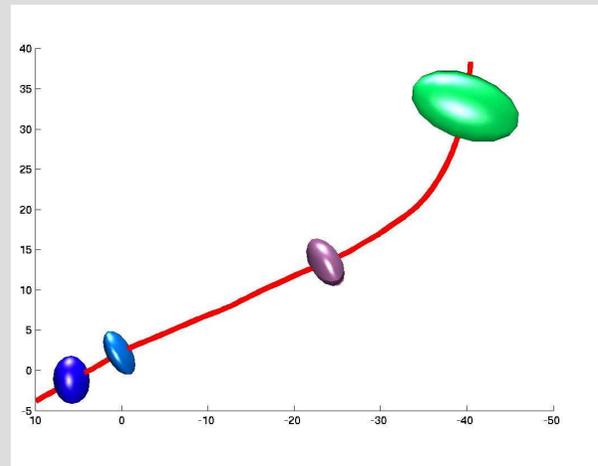


Compressed Tensor Representation

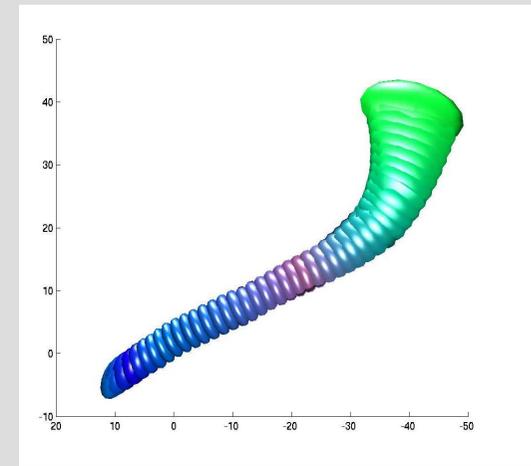
- Mean sulcal line + 4 covariance matrices
 - optimize for the 4 most representative tensors
 - Interpolation in-between, extrapolation outside (removes outliers)



Raw estimation



The 4 most representative tensors.

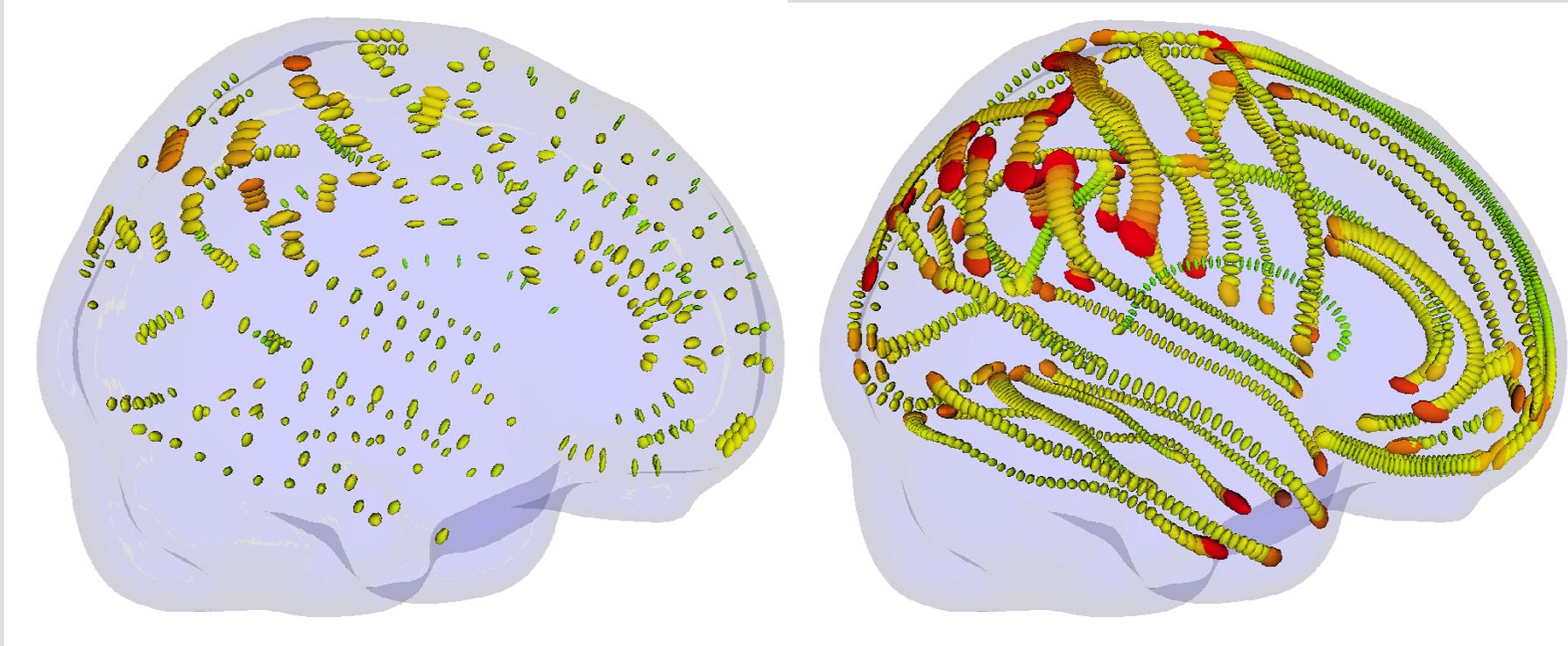


Interpolation from the 4 tensors.

Sylvian fissure



Compressed Tensor Representation



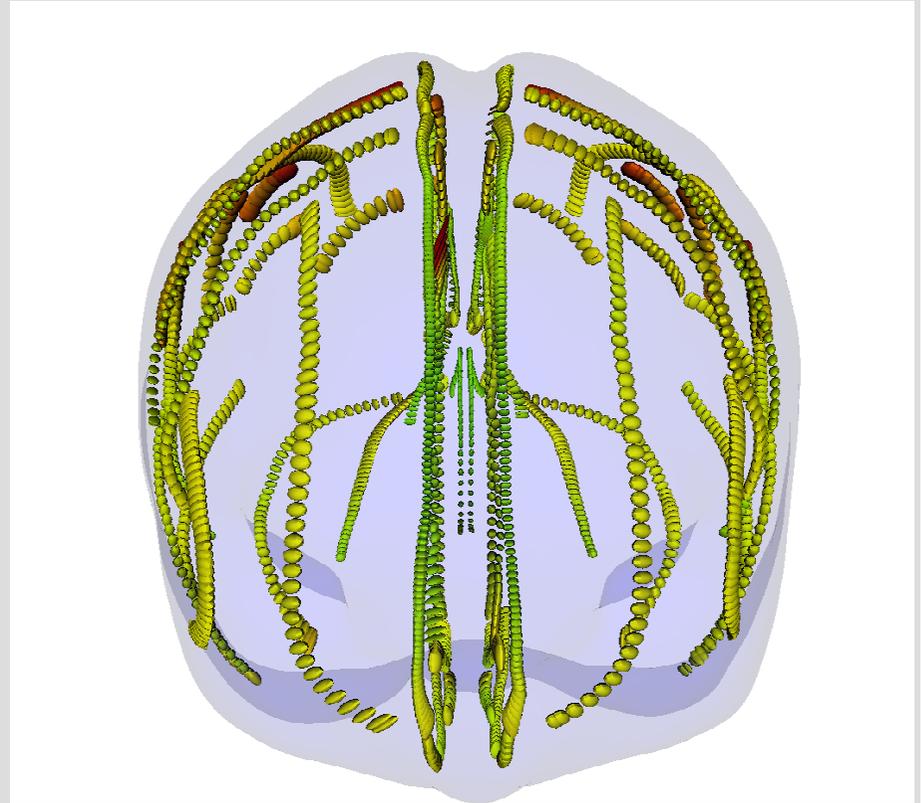
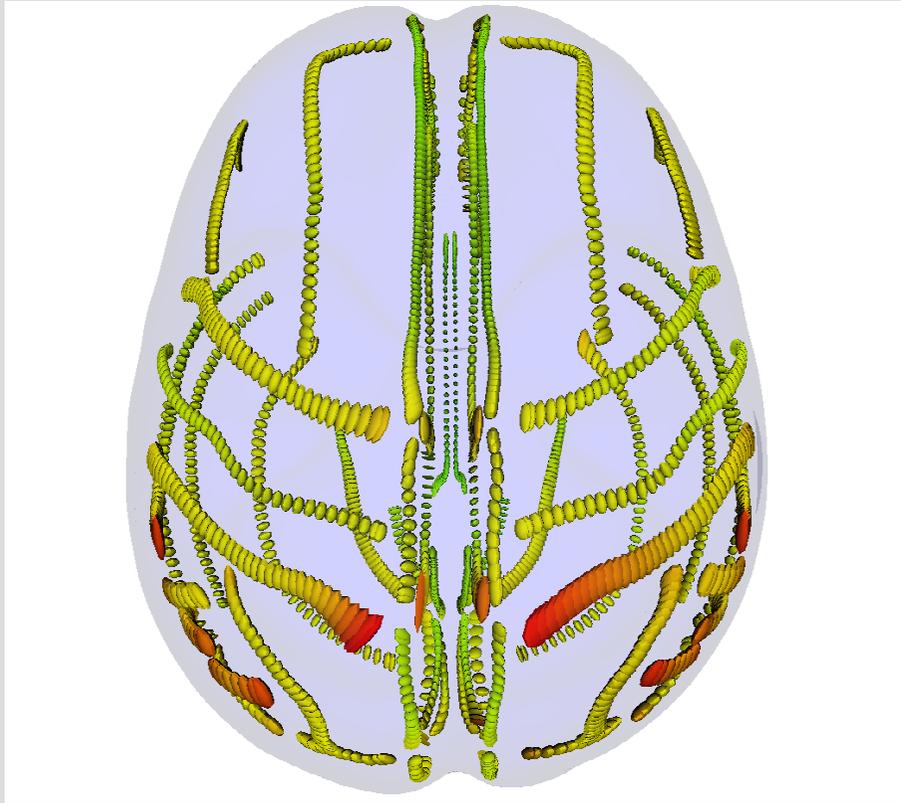
Representative Tensors (250)

Reconstructed Tensors (1250)
(Riemannian Interpolation)

Fillard-Pennec-Thompson-Ayache 2004, to appear



Variability Tensors

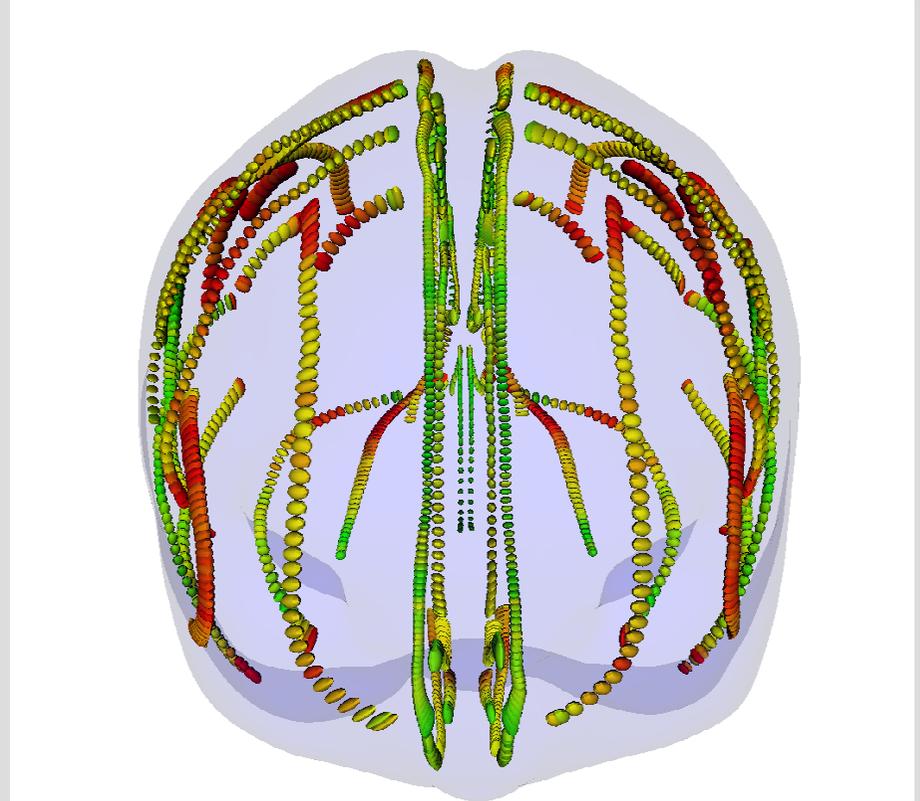
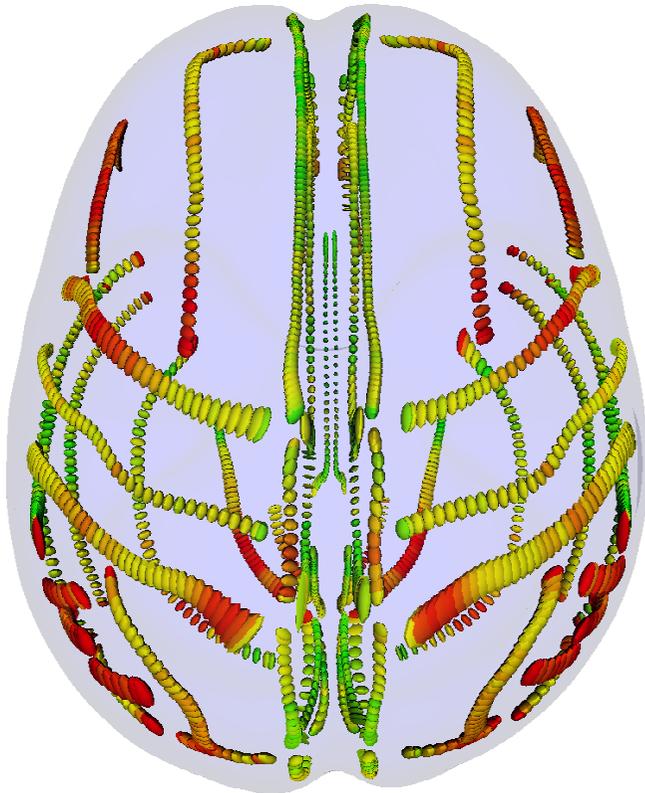


Color codes tensor trace

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Asymmetry Measure



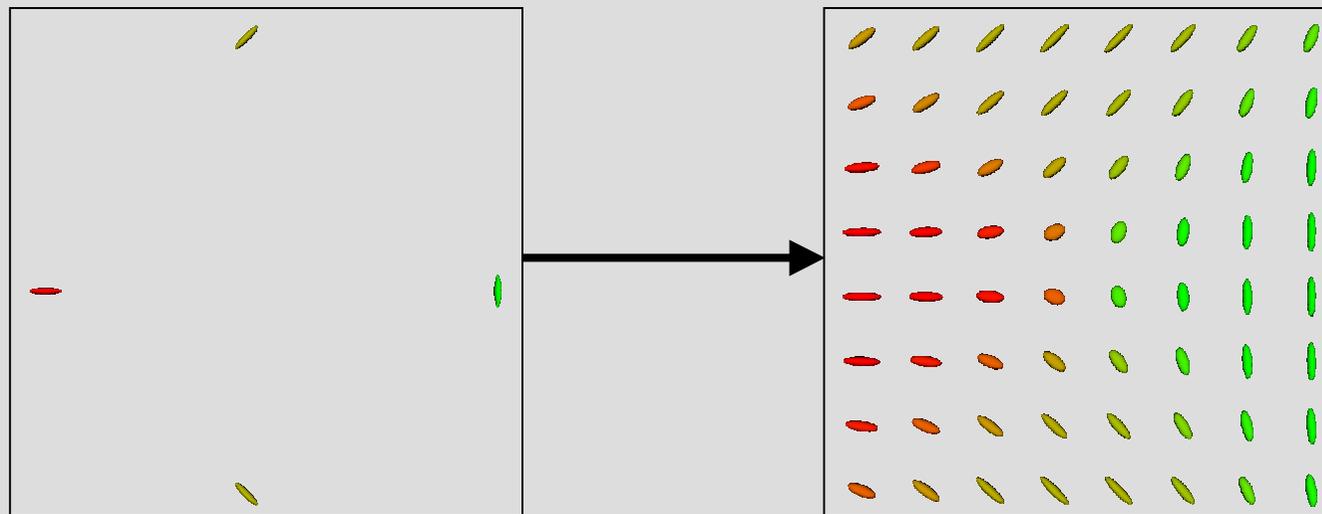
Color Codes Distance between “symmetric” tensors

$$\text{dist}(\Sigma, \Sigma')^2 = \left\langle \overrightarrow{\Sigma\Sigma'} \mid \overrightarrow{\Sigma\Sigma'} \right\rangle_{\Sigma} = \left\| \log(\Sigma^{-1/2} \cdot \Sigma' \cdot \Sigma^{-1/2}) \right\|_{L_2}^2$$



Extrapolation by Diffusion

- sources = tensors at given positions
- smooth extrapolation



Extrapolation by Diffusion

- Minimize

$$C(\Sigma) = C_A(\Sigma) + C_D(\Sigma)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^n G_{\sigma}(x - x_i) \text{dist}(\Sigma(x), \Sigma_i)^2 dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \|\nabla \Sigma\|^2$$

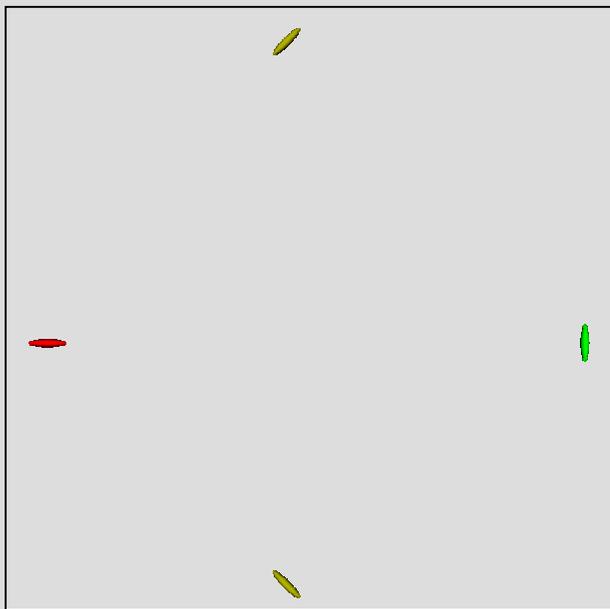
- Evolution Equation : $\Sigma_{t+1}(x) = \exp_{\Sigma_t(x)}(-\varepsilon \nabla C(\Sigma)(x))$

$$\nabla C(\Sigma)(x) = - \sum_{i=1}^n G_{\sigma}(x - x_i) \overrightarrow{\Sigma(x) \Sigma_i} - \lambda(\Delta \Sigma)(x)$$

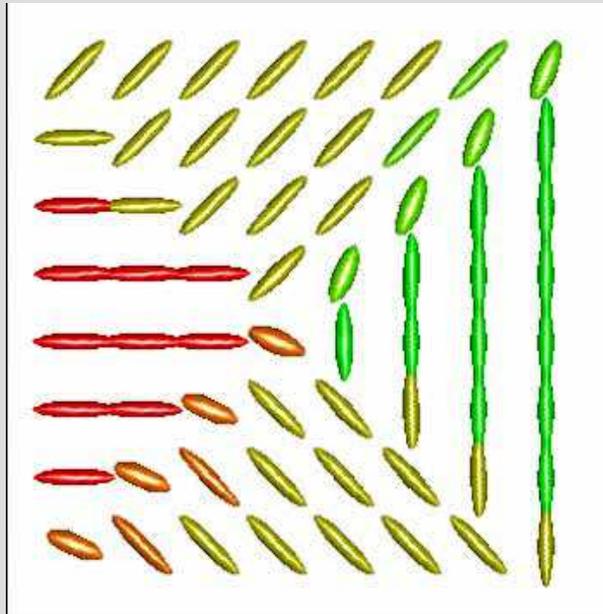


Extrapolation by Diffusion

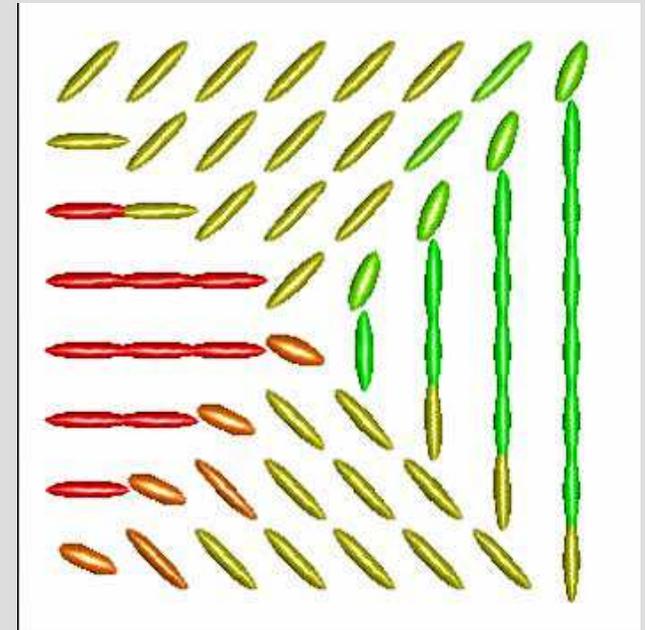
$$C(\Sigma) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \sum_{i=1}^n G_{\sigma}(x - x_i) \text{dist}(\Sigma(x), \Sigma_i)^2 dx + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int_{\Omega} \|\nabla \Sigma\|^2$$



Original Tensor
Data



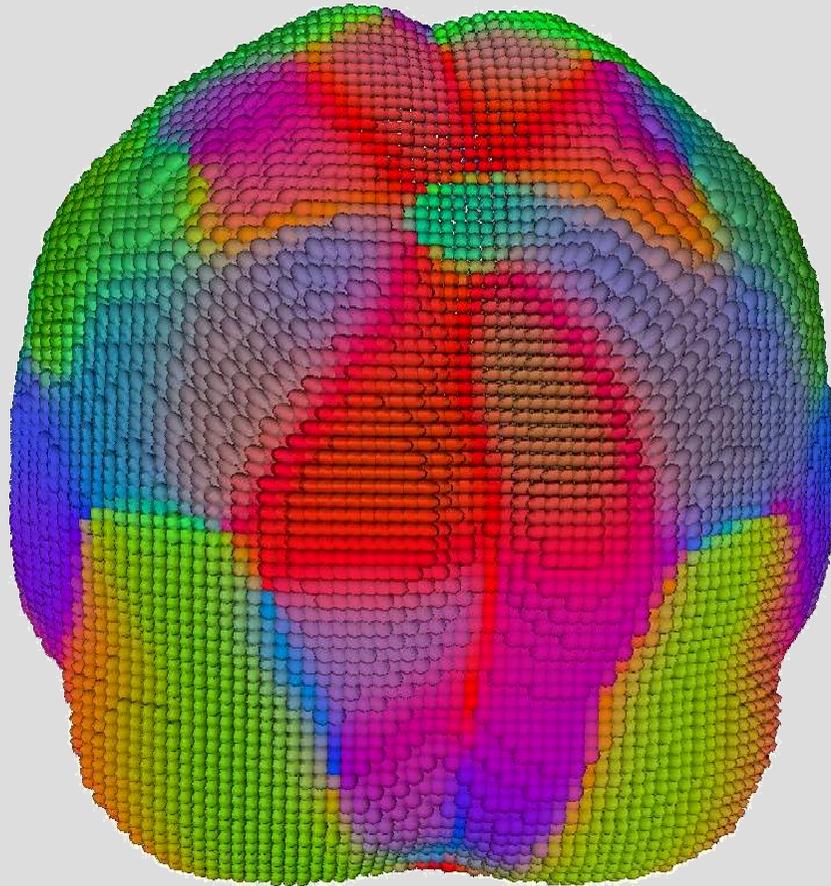
Diffusion Without
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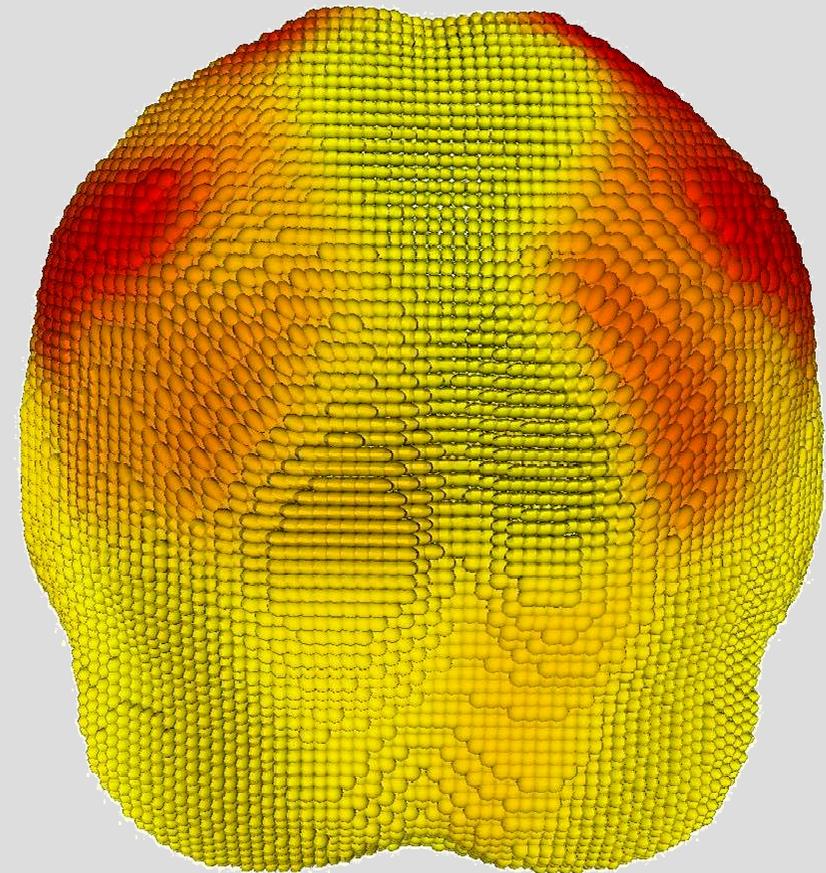
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Full Brain Interpolation



Color code: Principal Eigenvector
red: left-right, **green**: posterior-anterior,
blue: inferior-superior



Color Code: Trace

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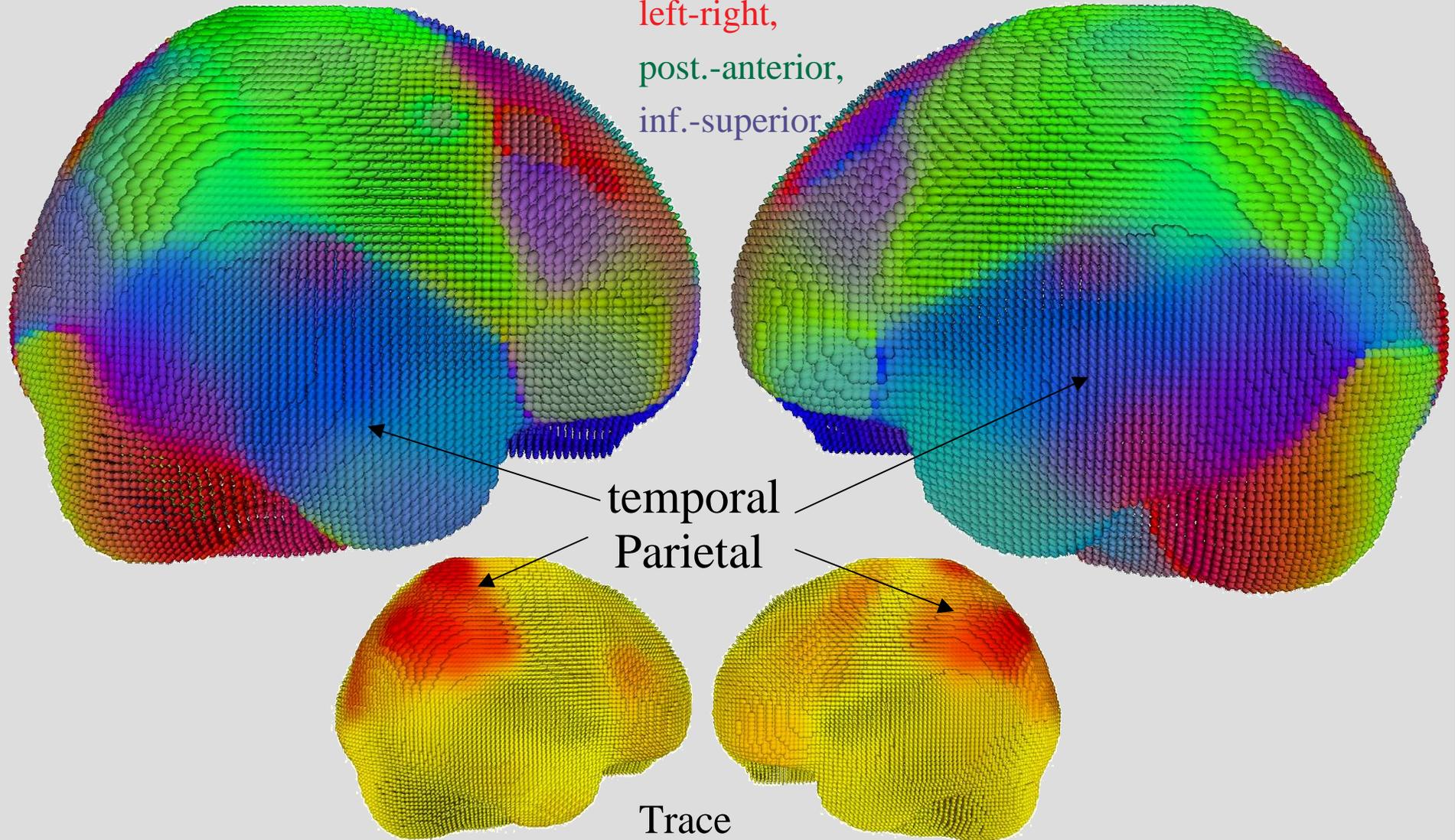
Full Brain Interpolation

Principal Eigenvector

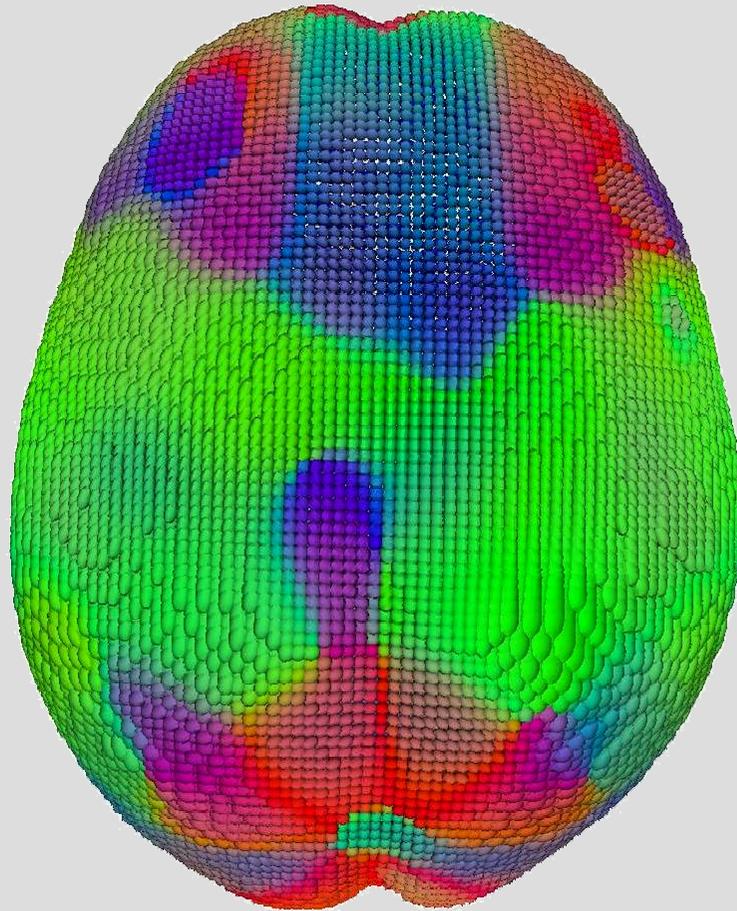
left-right,

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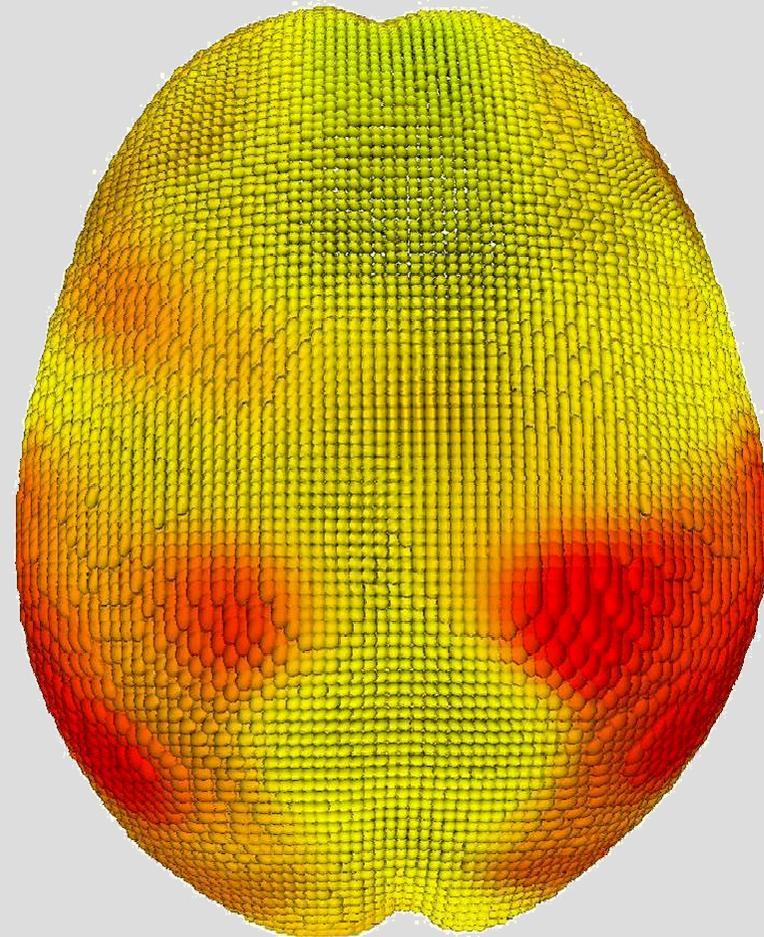
inf.-superior.



Full Brain Interpolation



Principal Eigenvector



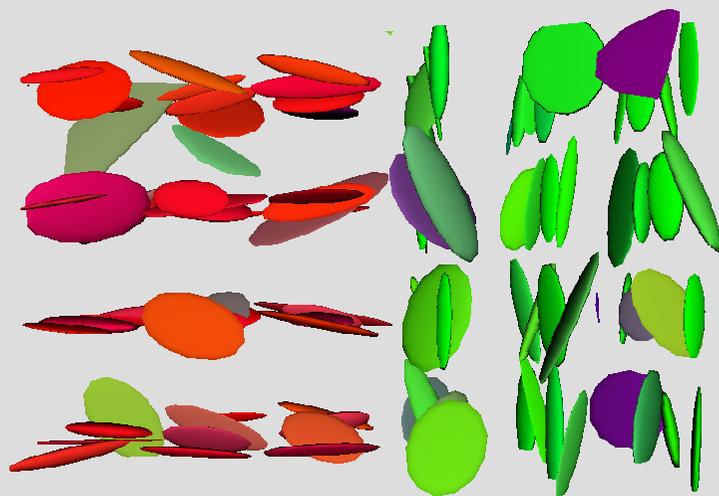
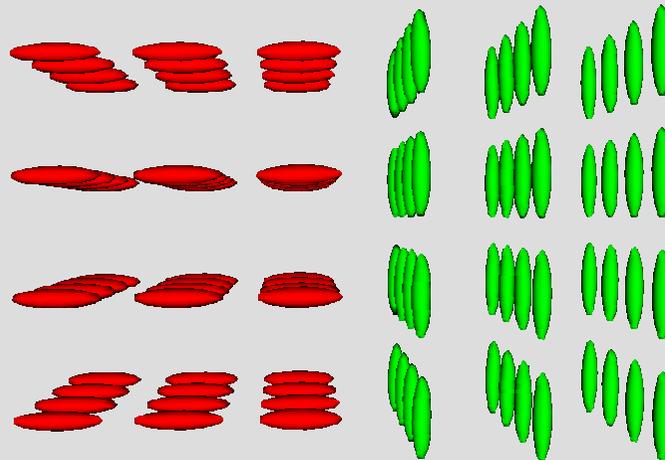
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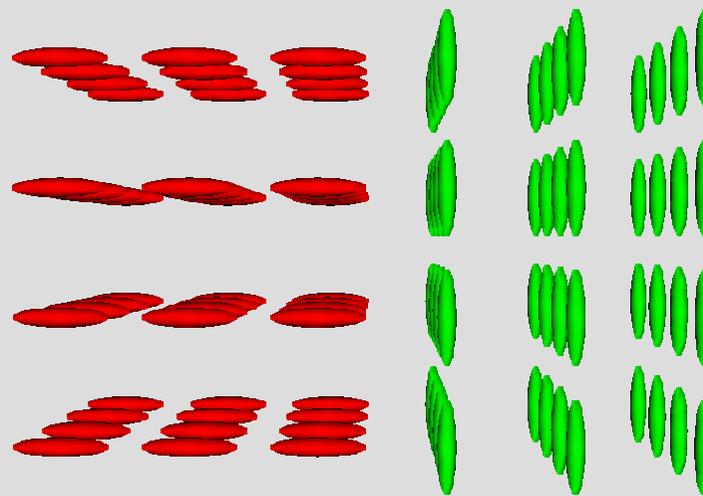


Anisotropic Filtering

Original Tensor
Field



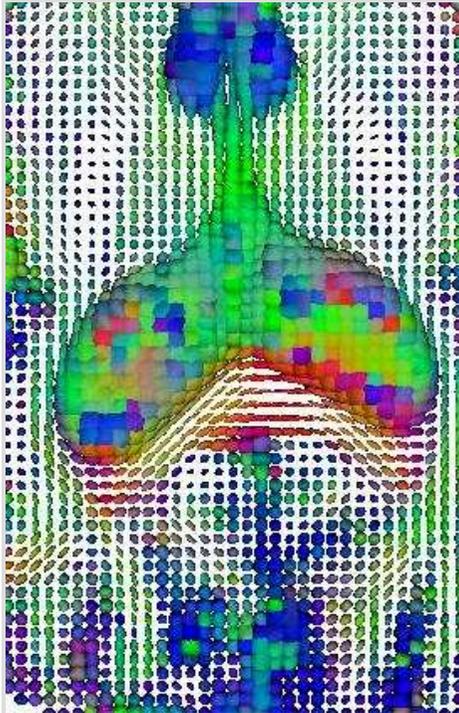
Noisy Tensor
Field



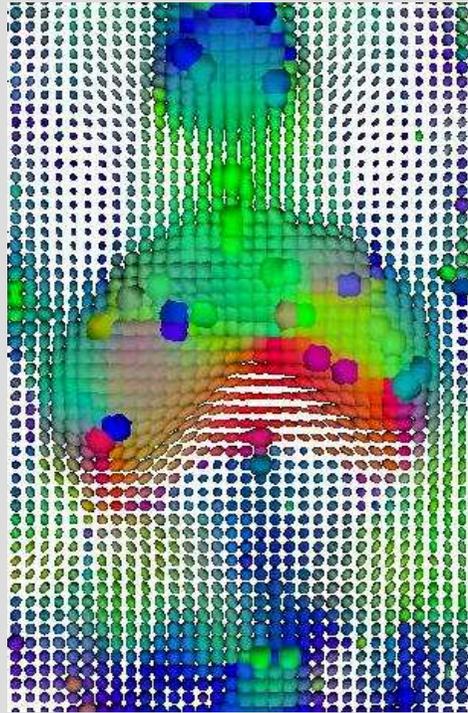
Filtered Tensor
Field



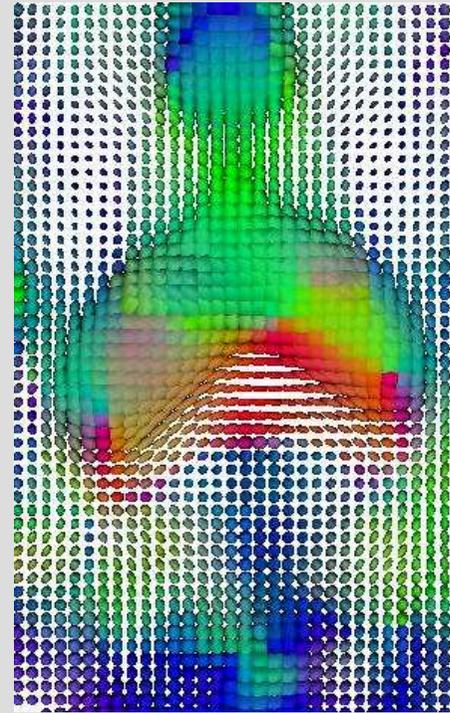
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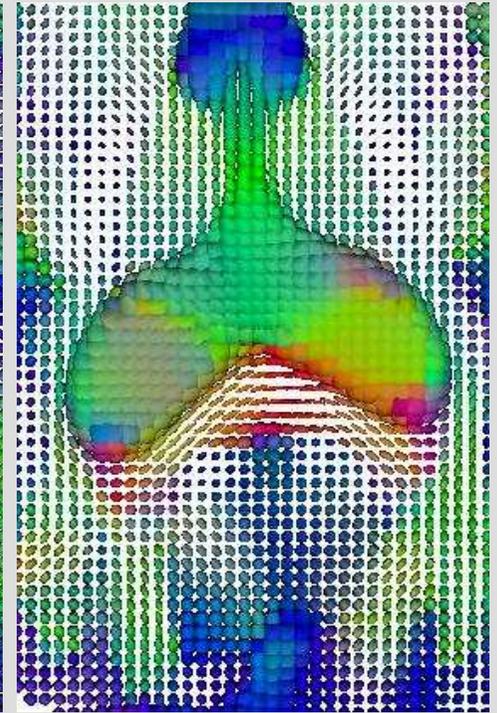
Raw tensors



Gaussian
Flat Metric



Gaussian
Riemann Metric



Anisotropic
Riemann Metric



Next Stages

- Learn Variability from Large Group Studies
- Statistical Comparisons between Groups
- Exploit Learned Variability to Improve Inter-Subject Registration



Content

- Geometric
- Iconic (Monomodal, Multimodal)
- Hybrid
- Shape Statistics
- **Perspectives**



Registration and Shape Variations

- Registration tools, based on geometrical and/or physical models
- Differential operators on deformation fields to detect and quantify local shape variations
- Tensor fields to encode local variability and adapted tensor metric to compare tensors
- Possibility to learn variability and improve non-rigid registration

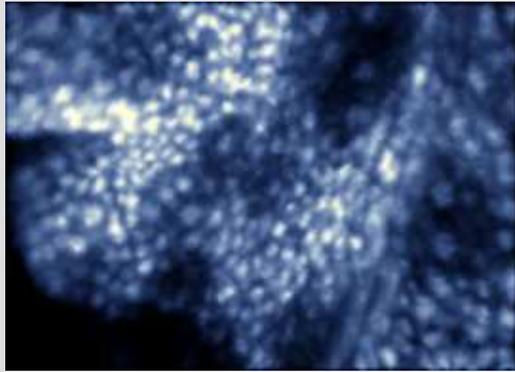


Some Remaining Challenges

- Shape Statistics : Avoid any registration?
- Validating non-rigid registration
 - intra-subject : e.g. Truth Cube at Harvard,
 - inter-subject : e.g. Bronze Standard (Pennec et al.)
- Microscopic imaging:
 - Detect shape variations at microscopic level
 - Correlate with macroscopic changes

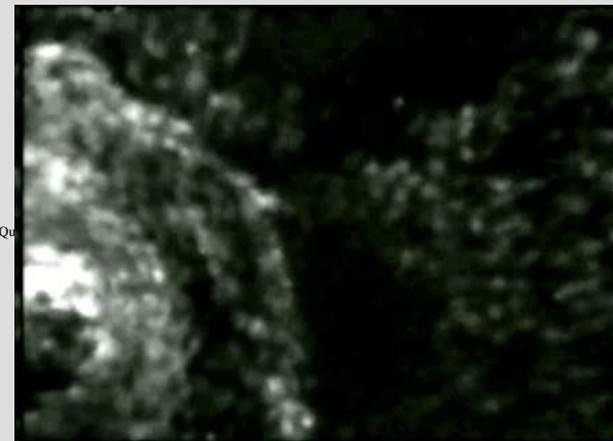


In Vivo “Endoscopic” Observations of Rat Bladder



200 microns

- 1 mm probe introduced via catheter
- real-time dynamic images of tissue surface with cellular resolution (cf. movie below)



200 microns

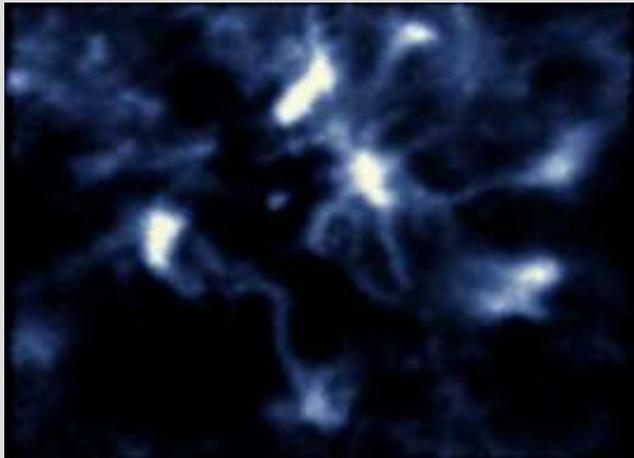
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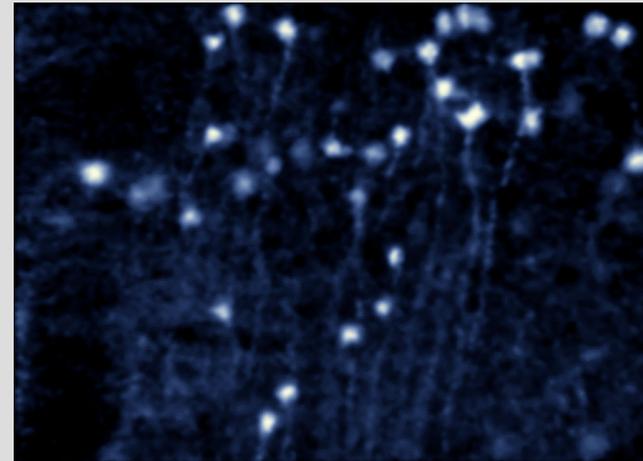


Neurobiology

Transgenic mice expressing EGFP in neurons and dendrites



*Field : 400 x 280 μ m
Proflex diameter:
800 μ m*



*In VITRO visualization of lateral
dendrites
from the basal pyramidal neuron layer*

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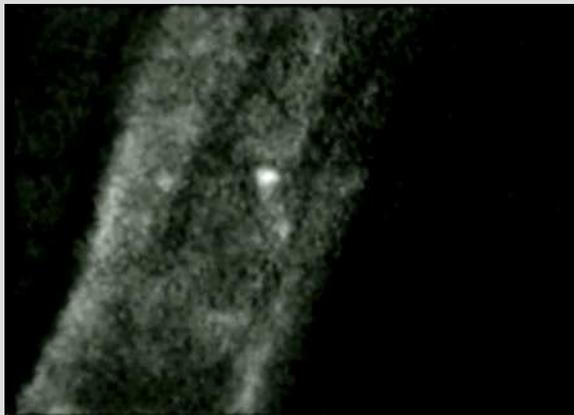
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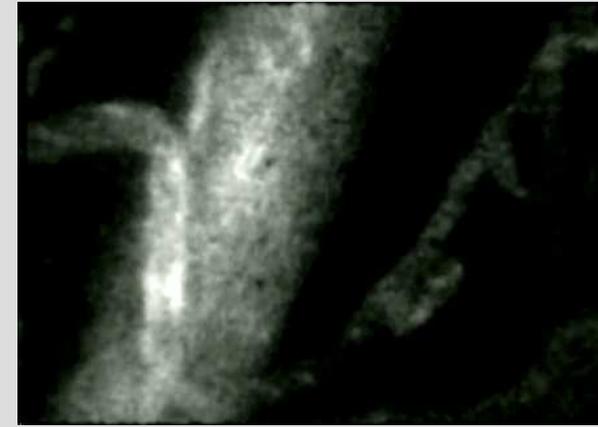
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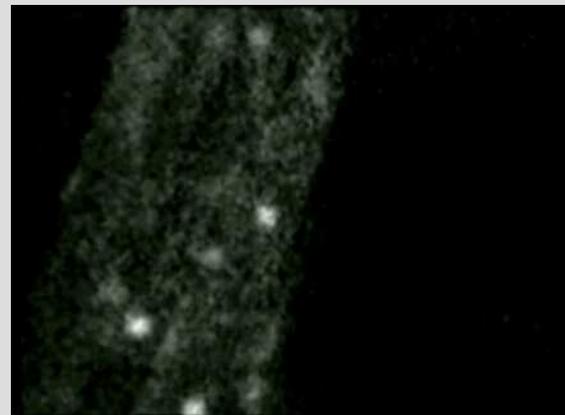
- Live images of micro-vessels



*Leukocytes :
Size = 7-11 microns*

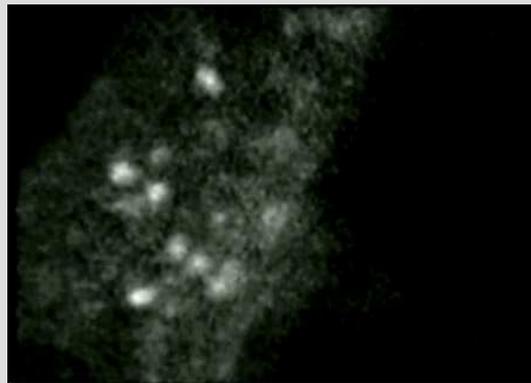


← 180 microns →



Study of

- Angiogenesis,
- drug delivery
- cardiovascular diseases
- etc.

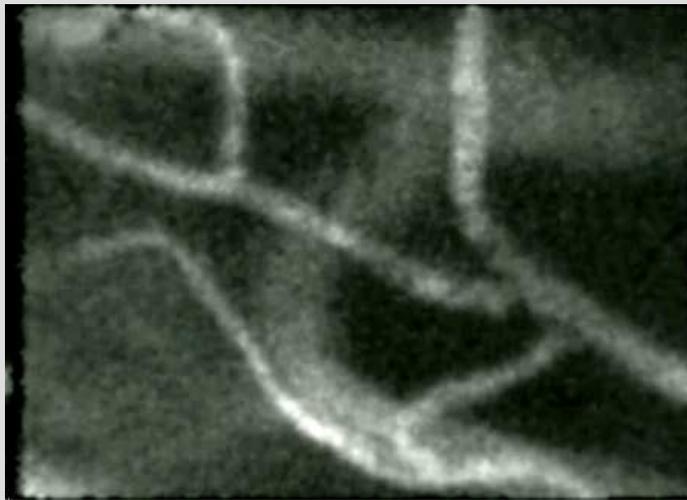


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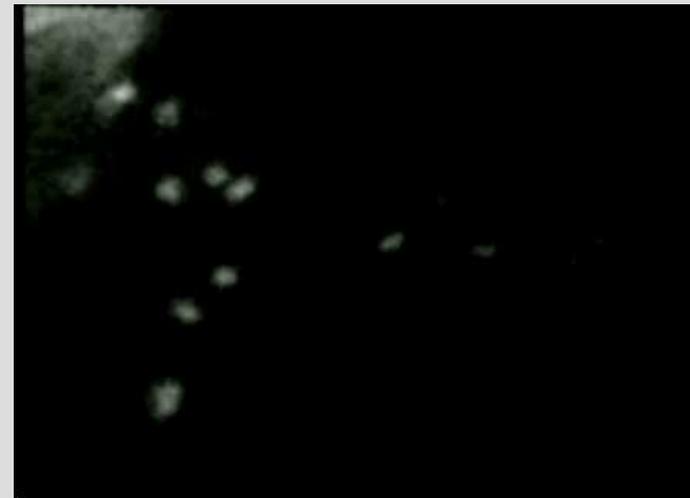


Dynamic images of microcirculation

- Live images of micro-vessels
- Angiogenesis, drug delivery, cardiovascular disease management.



200 microns

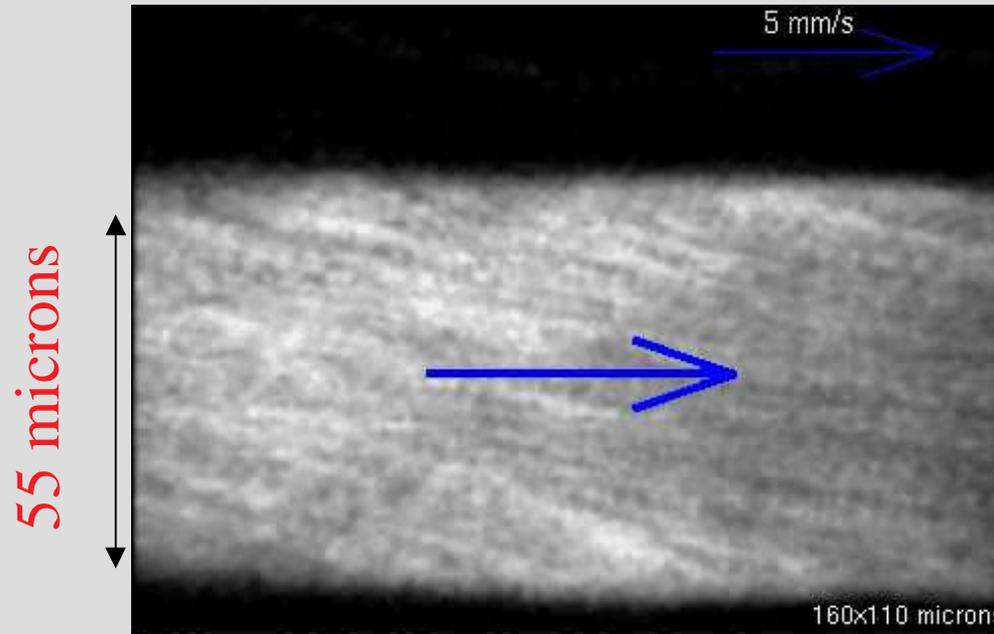


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Real-Time Blood Flow Measurement



- Average speed: 7.18 mm/s; Std Deviation: 0.7 mm/s

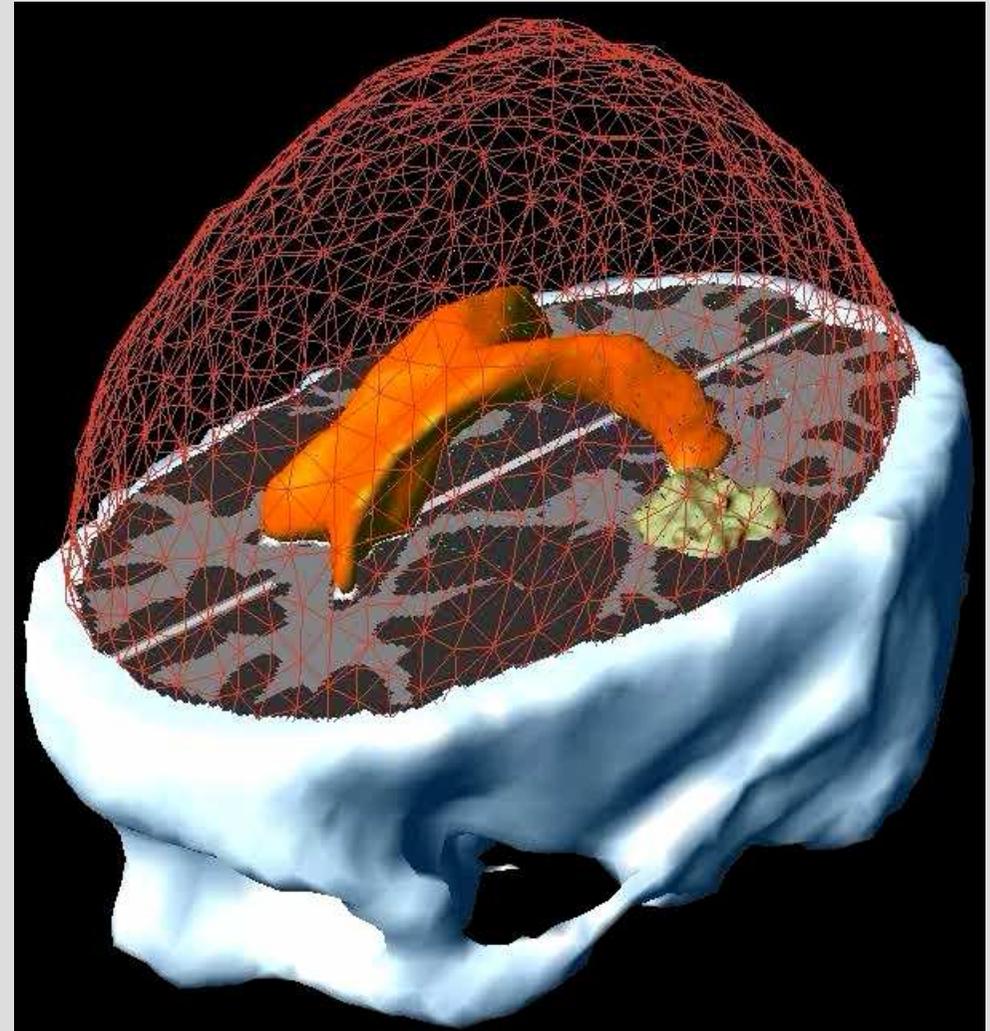
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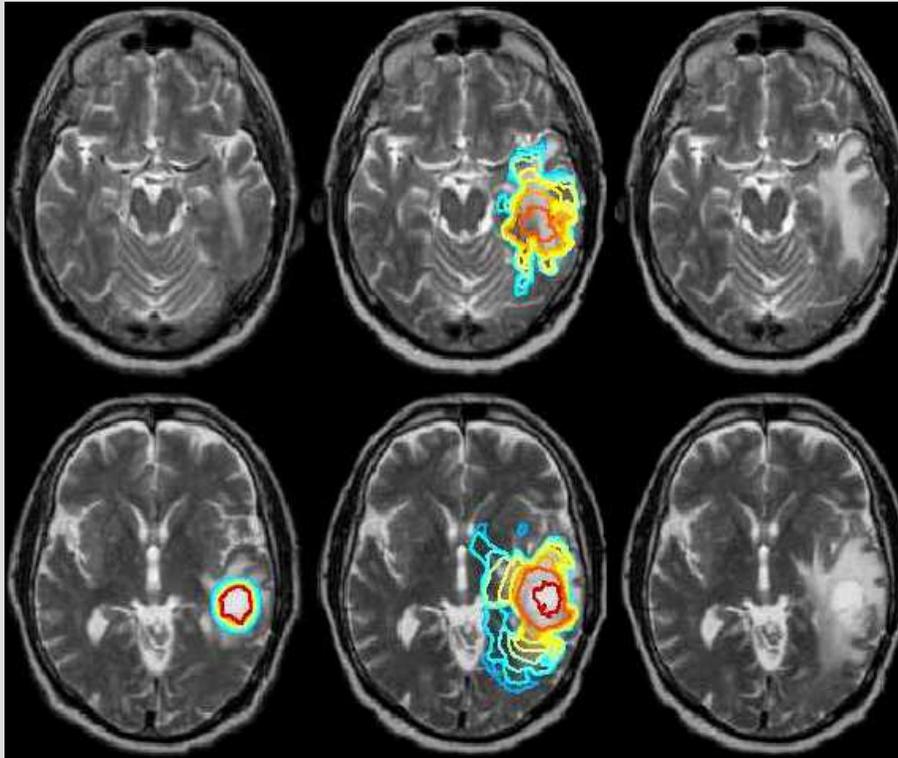


Brain Deformation & Tumor Growth

- Coupling physiological model of tumor growth with geometrical and physical (biomechanical) models
- In Vivo Cellular Imaging to Calibrate the model

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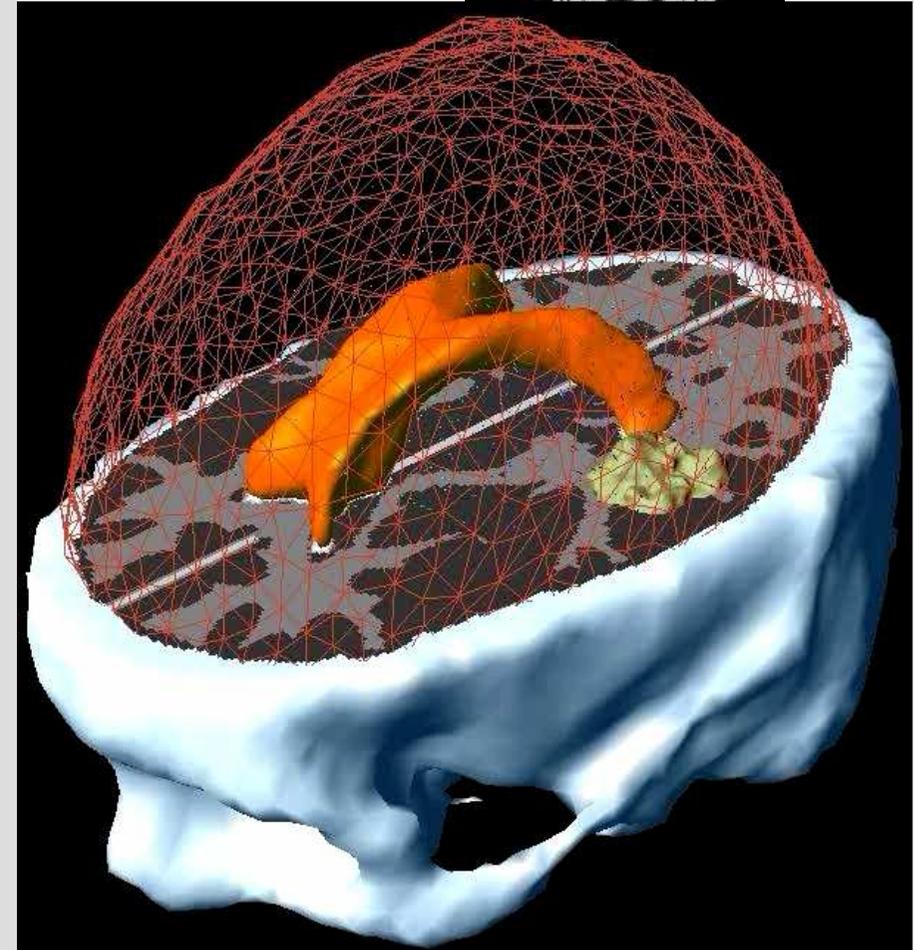
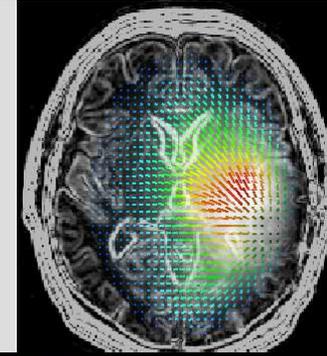
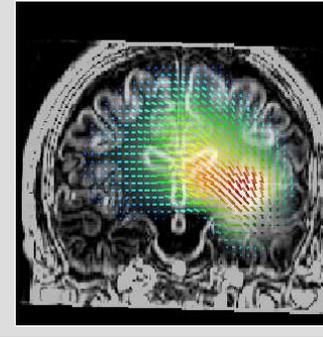


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