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ABSTRACT

Haptics is the science of applying touch (tactile) sensation and control to interact with computer applications. Haptic device gives people a sense of touch with computer generated environments, so that when virtual objects are touched, they seem real and tangible. Haptic technology refers to technology that interfaces the user with a virtual environment via the sense of touch by applying forces, vibrations, and/or motions to the user. This mechanical stimulation may be used to assist in the creation of virtual objects (objects existing only in a computer simulation), for control of such virtual objects, and to enhance the remote control of machines and devices. Haptic Technology promises to have wide reaching applications as it already has in some fields. For example, haptic technology has made it possible to investigate in detail how the human sense of touch works by allowing the creation of carefully controlled haptic virtual objects. Through haptic interface, human can interact with the computer through body sensation and movement. Several applications such as surgical training, gaming etc use haptic technology. Haptic technology has made it possible to investigate in detail how the human sense of touch works by allowing the creation of carefully controlled haptic virtual objects.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Description

The world haptic is basically invented from the Greek word called "haptikos", which means the sense of touch, and "haptesthai", which meant to touch or make a connection. Humans and machines or combination of both can make the touching process possible. In the recent study the human touch and the force feedback which haptic has begun together biochemicals, psychology, neurology engineering and computer science. Touch is to exchange of the information and the energies between real and virtual environment with respect to user. Active touches the name of given to this type of contact. Haptic technology is tactile feedback to replicate touch by undergoing stress. And moment to the respective user.

Human haptics is the use of tactile and kinaesthetic senses for detecting and manipulation. On interacting with an item, skin is subjected to forces. These forces transmit the information and influence how the physical world is perceived. The several mechanical, sensor and motor are basically intellectual components of human textile system are included. The bodily parts that function according on brain response are included in the mechanical components. Nervous system receptors, which are part of the sense organs, react to physical stimuli by activating and sending information to the brain.

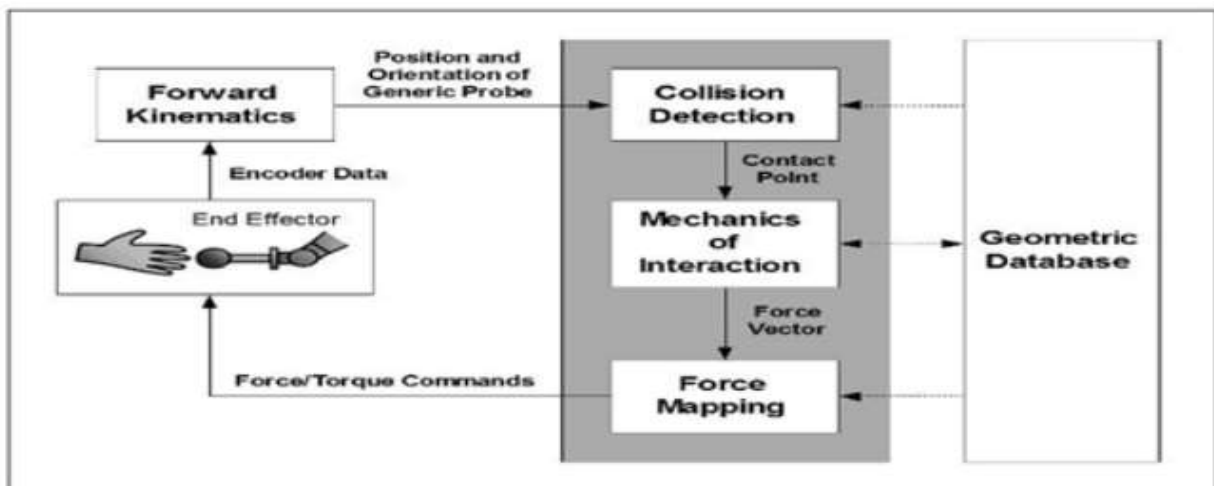


Fig.1: System Architecture

1.2 Problem Statement

Haptic technology offers great potential in a number of industries, including gaming, medical education, and remote operations. It replicates the feeling of touch by imparting stresses, vibrations, or motions to the user. Still, it has a number of difficulties. A limitation of haptic interface design is their low dexterity and small workspace. For example, poor haptic input, diminished depth perception, and impaired hand-eye coordination are common issues faced by surgeons doing Minimally Invasive Surgery (MIS). Three major obstacles to the broad use of haptic devices are their size, battery consumption, and manufacturing cost. The quantity of useful products that are prepared for the market is constrained by these considerations. There is a lot of potential for innovation and improvement in this fascinating sector.

1.3 Objectives

- To develop cost-effective and compact haptic devices.
- To improve the realism and responsiveness of haptic feedback.
- To integrate haptic technology seamlessly with other sensory devices.
- To explore the use of haptic technology in new fields and applications.
- To implement user-friendly interfaces for customizing haptic experiences.

1.4 Existing System:

The current haptic technology system is a complicated one that consists of multiple essential parts. Actuators vibrate or apply force to replicate the sensation of touch, while sensors monitor how the user interacts with the haptic device. Control circuitry controls how the sensors and actuators work. Real-time algorithms, sometimes referred to as "players" or "actuator control software," govern how the haptic device behaves in real time. A library of haptic effects offers an assortment of pre-made haptic effects that are adaptable to various applications. Finally, developers can incorporate haptic technology into their own apps with the use of an Application Programming Interface (API). Despite its effectiveness, there are a number of areas where this method might be enhanced and innovated.

1.5 Proposed System:

By providing broader tactile sensations, the suggested haptic technology system seeks to go beyond conventional pressure-based interfaces. This cutting-edge device combines a haptic glove with a robotic hand, each with its own set of sensors and actuators. Powered by servomotors, the robotic hand is carefully designed to accurately mimic the complex and complicated motions of the human hand. To control devices within the wireless communication range, the system offers an interactive robotic hand and haptic glove combination. A multimodal feedback system that combines Peltier components and vibration motors guarantees a diverse tactile experience that includes pressure and temperature sensations. The user experience and system dependability are improved by precisely calibrating the accuracy of tactile feedback based on experimental data.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE SURVEY

Ultrasonic levitation for haptic applications[1] is a relatively new field with research gaining momentum in recent years. Studies explore generating mid-air tactile sensations by manipulating objects with focused ultrasonic waves. This technology holds promise for creating interactive displays or haptic interfaces without requiring physical contact.

Haptic gloves with high-fidelity finger feedback[2] have been an active research area for over two decades. Early work focused on basic vibration motors [Insert early research paper here, while recent advancements explore more sophisticated technologies like McKibben actuators and electrovibration for replicating diverse textures and contact forces [Insert recent research paper here, These gloves aim to enhance the realism and interactivity of virtual and augmented reality experiences.

Full-body haptic suits for virtual reality[3] represent an emerging field with research actively growing since the late 2000s. These suits employ various technologies like pneumatic actuators, shape memory alloys, and exoskeletons to provide users with a more immersive experience by simulating forces, vibrations, and pressure across the entire body [Insert recent research paper here (around 2010-2024)]. The research focuses on improving the fidelity of haptic feedback while ensuring user comfort and ease of movement.

The integration of haptic feedback into everyday devices[4] like smartphones and laptops has seen a surge in recent years (post-2015). Companies like Apple and Lenovo have incorporated vibration motors and other haptic technologies to enhance user experience by providing tactile cues for button presses, notifications, and other interactions [Insert recent article or press release (around 2015-2024)]. This trend paves the way for developers to create innovative haptic experiences within apps and various applications.

CHAPTER 3

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Functional Requirements:

- Realistic Feedback
- Low Latency
- High Precision
- User-Friendly Interface
- Integration with Other Systems

1.2 Non-Functional Requirements:

- Scalability
- Performance
- Security
- Reliability
- Usability

1.3 Hardware Requirements:

- **Processor:** Intel Core i5 or higher
- **RAM:** 8GB or more
- **Storage Space:** 20GB or more

1.4 Software Requirements:

- **Operating System:** Windows 7, 8, or 10 (64-bit)
- **Browser:** Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox
- **Workspace:** Visual Studio code.

CHAPTER 4

IMPLEMENTATION

Example1:

```
class TextBasedHapticMaze:
```

```
    def __init__(self, maze, player_position):
```

```
        self.maze = maze
```

```
        self.player_position = player_position
```

```
    def move(self, direction):
```

```
        if self.is_valid_move(direction):
```

```
            self.player_position = self.get_new_position(direction)
```

```
            print("You moved to a new position.")
```

```
        else:
```

```
            print("BUMP! You hit a wall.")
```

```
    def is_valid_move(self, direction):
```

```
        new_position = self.get_new_position(direction)
```

```
        # Check if the new position is within the maze and is not a wall
```

```
        return (0 <= new_position[0] < len(self.maze) and
```

```
                0 <= new_position[1] < len(self.maze[0]) and
```

```
                self.maze[new_position[0]][new_position[1]] != 1)
```

```
    def get_new_position(self, direction):
```

```
        # Get the new position based on the direction of movement
```

```
        if direction == 'up':
```

```
            return (self.player_position[0] - 1, self.player_position[1])
```

```
        elif direction == 'down':
```

```
            return (self.player_position[0] + 1, self.player_position[1])
```

```
        elif direction == 'left':
```

```
            return (self.player_position[0], self.player_position[1] - 1)
```

```
        elif direction == 'right':
```

```
            return (self.player_position[0], self.player_position[1] + 1)
```

```
# Define a simple maze and player position
maze = [[0, 1, 0, 0, 0],
        [0, 1, 0, 1, 0],
        [0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
        [0, 1, 1, 1, 1],
        [0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]
player_position = (0, 0)

# Initialize the game
game = TextBasedHapticMaze(maze, player_position)

# Game loop
while True:
    direction = input("Enter direction (up, down, left, right): ")
    game.move(direction)
```

Example2:

```
import pygame

# Screen size
screen_width = 800
screen_height = 600

pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((screen_width, screen_height))
pygame.display.set_caption("Simulated Haptic Surgery")

# Background image
background_image = pygame.image.load("ICU-transformed.png").convert()

# Shape (modify for your desired shape)
image = pygame.image.load("1923675-removebg-preview.png").convert_alpha()
```

```
# Scalpel position and size
scalpel_x = screen_width // 2
scalpel_y = screen_height // 2

# Define regions with different "textures"
regions = {
    "top": [(0, 0), (screen_width, screen_height // 2)],
    "bottom": [(0, screen_height // 2), (screen_width, screen_height)],
}

# Sound effects to simulate texture
texture_sounds = {
    "top": pygame.mixer.Sound("bomb-countdown-beeps-6868.mp3"),
    "bottom": pygame.mixer.Sound("bleep-41488.mp3"),
}

# Track mouse position
mouse_x, mouse_y = pygame.mouse.get_pos()

current_region = None
current_sound = None

run = True
while run:
    for event in pygame.event.get():
        if event.type == pygame.QUIT:
            run = False

    # Check for intersection between scalpel and region
    collision = False
    for region_name, region_coords in regions.items():
        region_rect = pygame.Rect(*region_coords)
        if region_rect.collidepoint(mouse_x, mouse_y):
            collision = True
```



```
        current_region = region_name
        break

# Update screen elements based on collision
screen.blit(background_image, (0, 0))
if collision:
    # Play sound based on region
    if current_sound != texture_sounds[current_region]:
        if current_sound is not None: # Check before stopping
            current_sound.stop()
        current_sound = texture_sounds[current_region]
        current_sound.play()
    # Change scalpel color based on texture

else:
    current_sound = None # Stop sound if no collision
    # Default white scalpel

# Draw elements
screen.blit(image, image.get_rect(center=(scalpel_x, scalpel_y)))

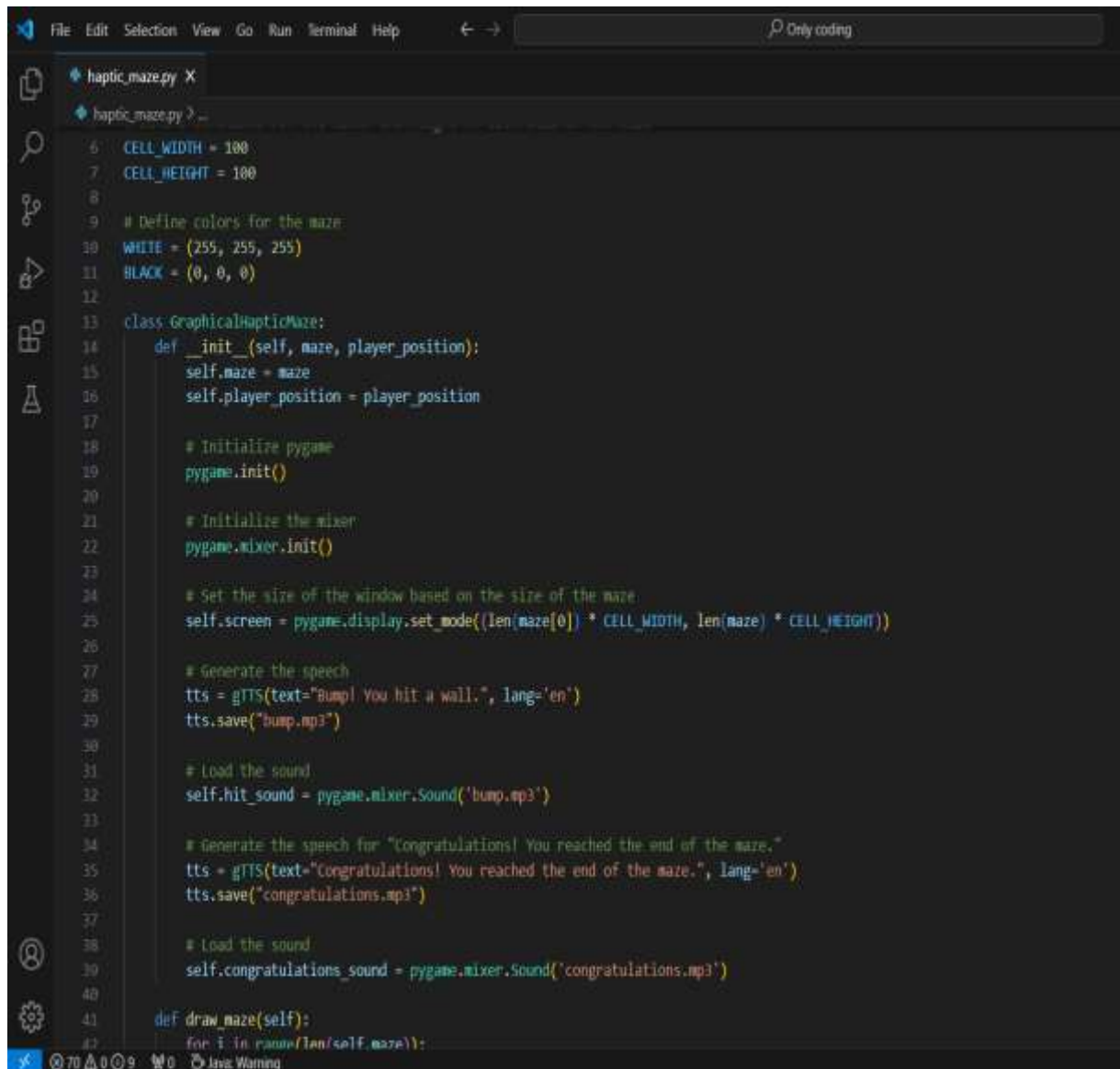
# Update mouse position
mouse_x, mouse_y = pygame.mouse.get_pos()

pygame.display.flip()

pygame.quit()
```

CHAPTER 5

SNAPSHOTS



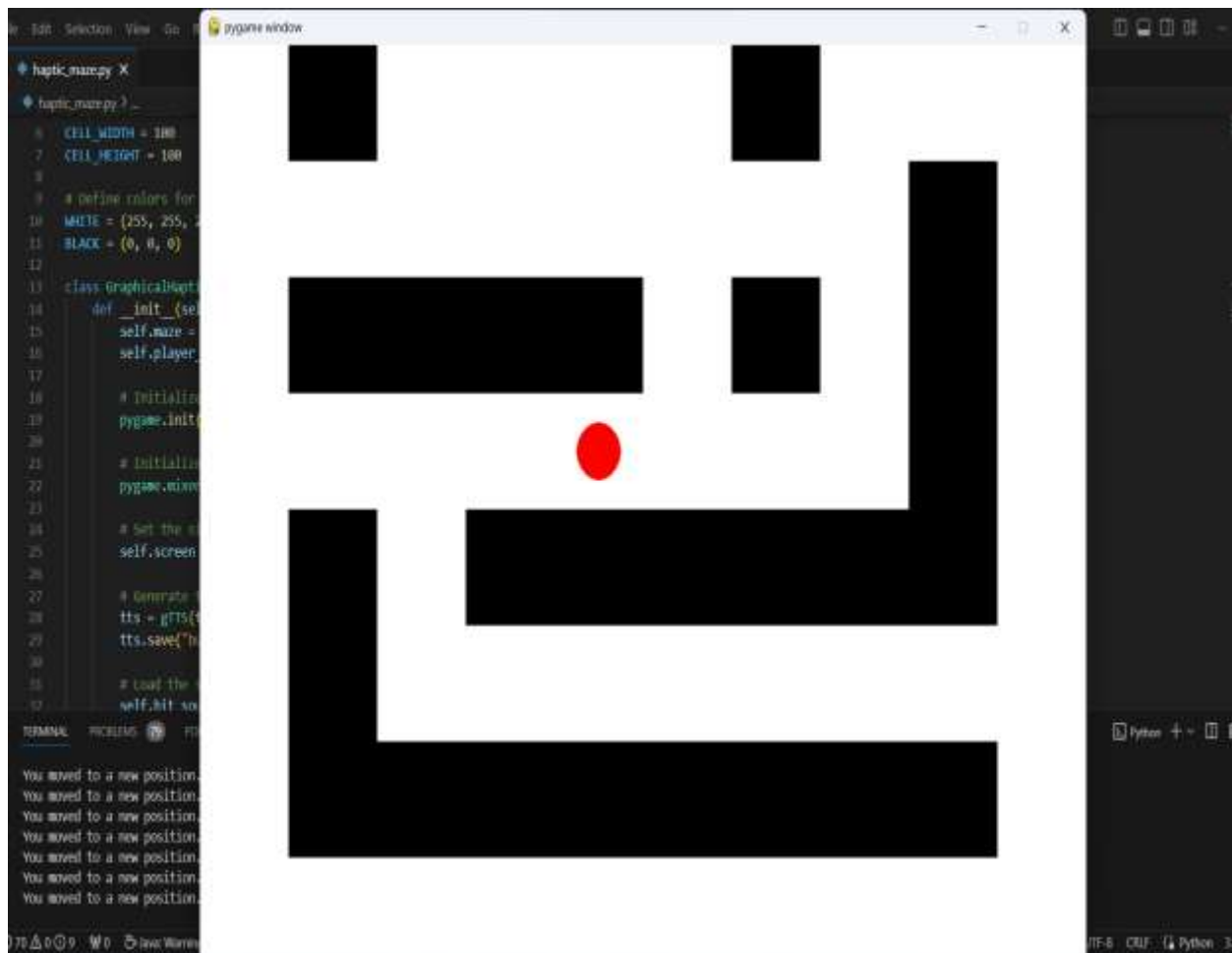
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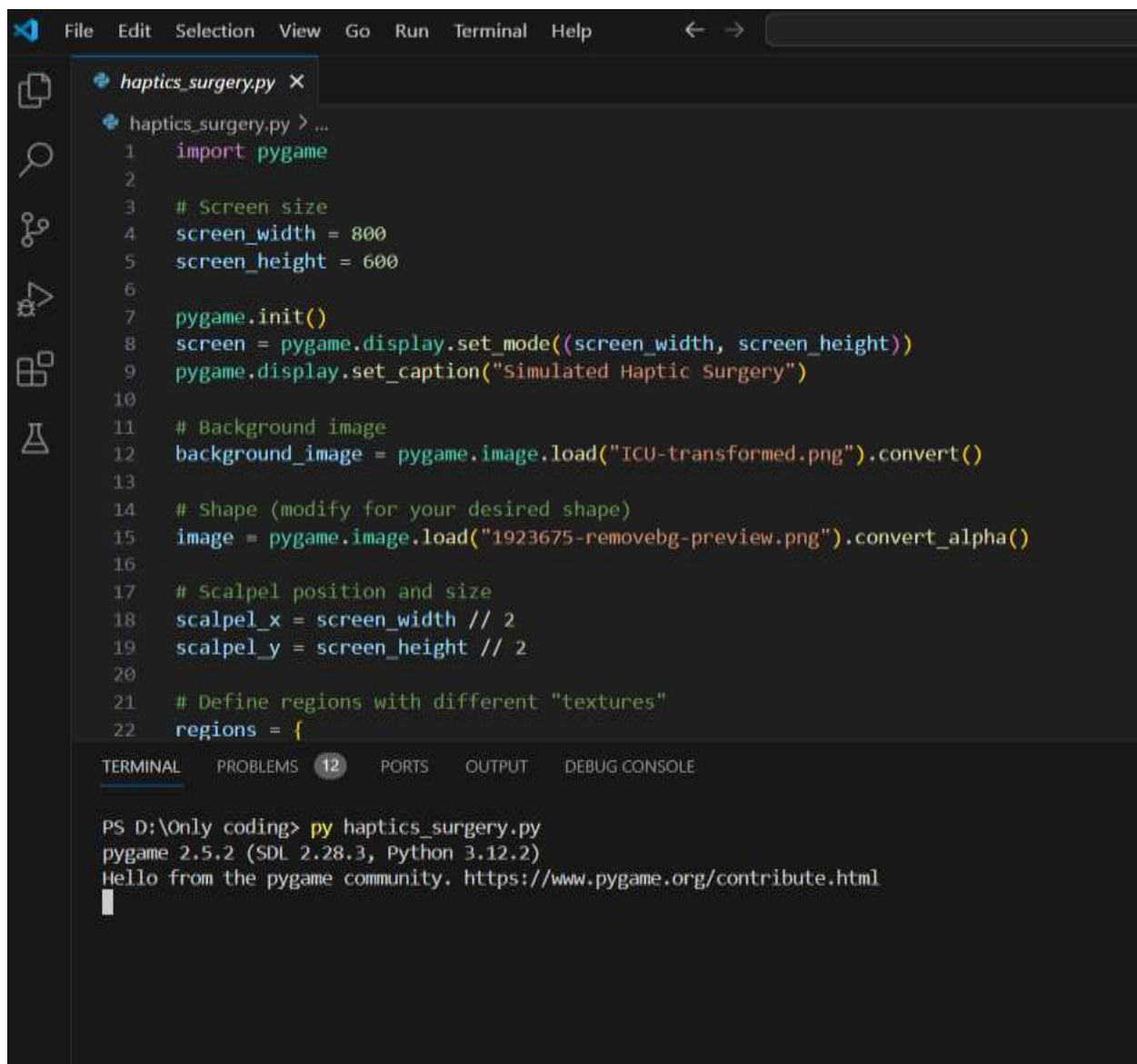
haptic_maze.py X
haptic_maze.py > ...

6 CELL_WIDTH = 100
7 CELL_HEIGHT = 100
8
9 # Define colors for the maze
10 WHITE = (255, 255, 255)
11 BLACK = (0, 0, 0)
12
13 class GraphicalHapticMaze:
14     def __init__(self, maze, player_position):
15         self.maze = maze
16         self.player_position = player_position
17
18         # Initialize pygame
19         pygame.init()
20
21         # Initialize the mixer
22         pygame.mixer.init()
23
24         # Set the size of the window based on the size of the maze.
25         self.screen = pygame.display.set_mode((len(maze[0]) * CELL_WIDTH, len(maze) * CELL_HEIGHT))
26
27         # Generate the speech
28         tts = gTTS(text="Bump! You hit a wall.", lang='en')
29         tts.save("bump.mp3")
30
31         # Load the sound
32         self.hit_sound = pygame.mixer.Sound('bump.mp3')
33
34         # Generate the speech for "Congratulations! You reached the end of the maze."
35         tts = gTTS(text="Congratulations! You reached the end of the maze.", lang='en')
36         tts.save("congratulations.mp3")
37
38         # Load the sound
39         self.congratulations_sound = pygame.mixer.Sound('congratulations.mp3')
40
41     def draw_maze(self):
42         for i in range(len(self.maze)):

```

Fig 2: Code of Haptic Feedback of example 1.





```
File Edit Selection View Go Run Terminal Help
haptics_surgery.py X
haptics_surgery.py > ...
1 import pygame
2
3 # Screen size
4 screen_width = 800
5 screen_height = 600
6
7 pygame.init()
8 screen = pygame.display.set_mode((screen_width, screen_height))
9 pygame.display.set_caption("Simulated Haptic Surgery")
10
11 # Background image
12 background_image = pygame.image.load("ICU-transformed.png").convert()
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14 # Shape (modify for your desired shape)
15 image = pygame.image.load("1923675-removebg-preview.png").convert_alpha()
16
17 # Scalpel position and size
18 scalpel_x = screen_width // 2
19 scalpel_y = screen_height // 2
20
21 # Define regions with different "textures"
22 regions = {

```

TERMINAL PROBLEMS 12 PORTS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE

```
PS D:\Only coding> py haptics_surgery.py
pygame 2.5.2 (SDL 2.28.3, Python 3.12.2)
Hello from the pygame community. https://www.pygame.org/contribute.html
```

Fig 3: Code in execution of Example 2

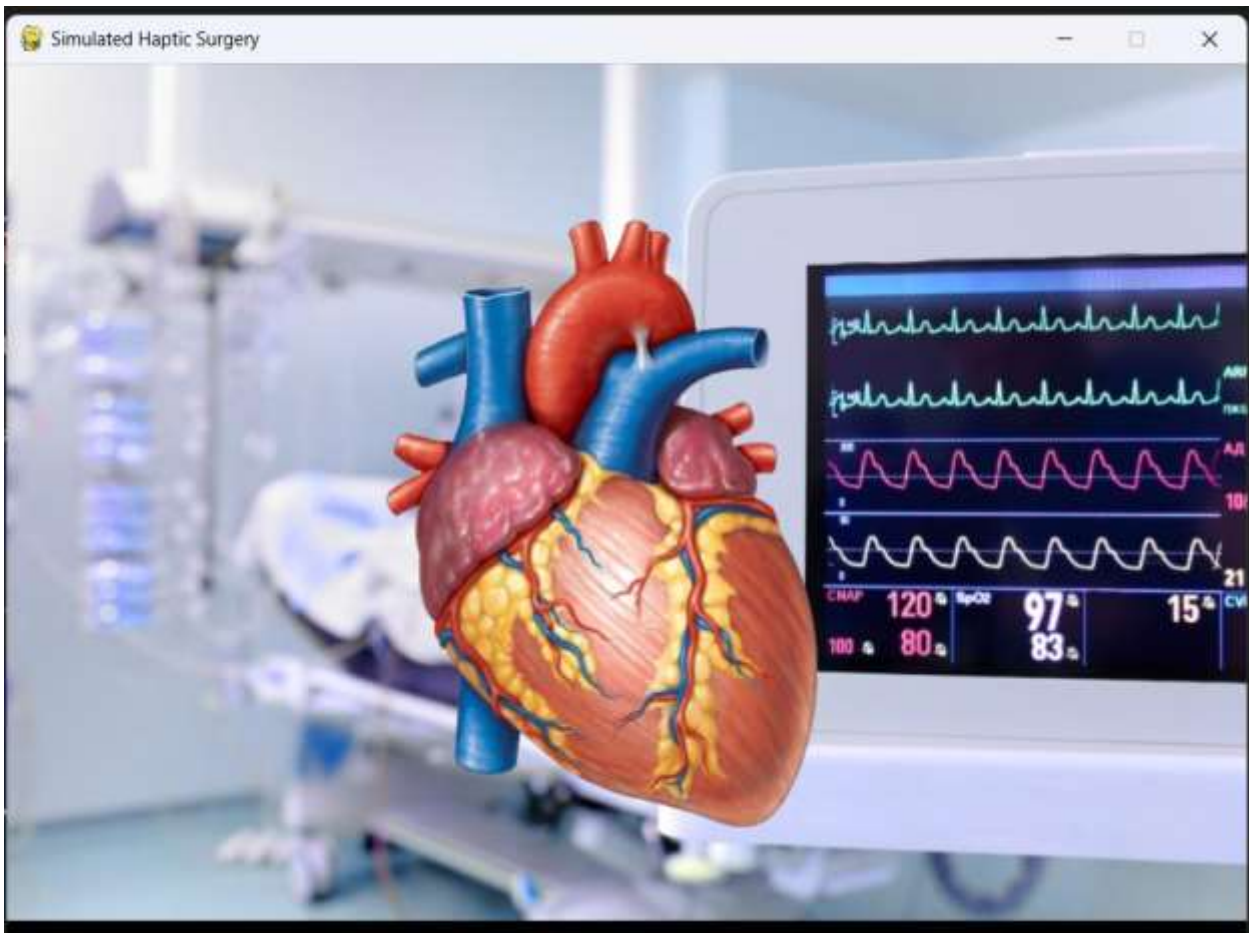


Fig 4: Output of Simulated Haptic Surgery.

CONCLUSION

Two of the most fundamental ways we learn about and interact with our environment are through touch and physical interaction. We think that haptic technology, which is employed in many other areas, is the best approach to engage with a virtual world. The haptic device performs as an input and output device, detecting physical motions of the user as an input and producing lifelike touch experiences as an output, both of which are timed with display events. As technology and computing power improve, haptic devices and effects advance and become more lifelike. Finally, we conclude that haptic technology, which is frequently applied in many applications, is the best method for engaging with a virtual environment. Haptic devices serve as input and output devices, sensing user physical input manipulation and producing a realistic touch output in time with the onscreen event. as technology advances and becomes more practical. technology that can be felt and manipulated. The haptic devices need to be simpler and easier to operate, and this technology needs to be made accessible for a reasonable price.

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