1-gVirtualXRay vs Gate-detector realistic phantom

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```
[1]: from IPython.display import display
   from IPython.display import Image
   from utils import * # Code shared across more than one notebook

[2]: output_path = "1-output_data/"

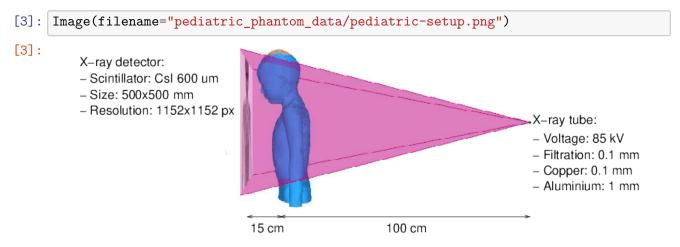
   if not os.path.exists(output_path):
      os.mkdir(output_path)
```

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Purpose: In this notebook, we aim to demonstrate that gVirtualXRay is able to generate analytic simulations on GPU comparable to images generated with the state-of-the-art Monte Caro simulation packages. An anthropomorphic phantom is used. It corresponds to a 5-year old boy. We take into account i) a realistic beam spectrum (tube voltage and filtration) and ii) the energy response of the detector.

Material and Methods: We simulate an image with gVirtualXRay and compare it with a ground truth image. For this purpose, we use Gate, a wrapper for CERN's state-of-the-art Monte Caro simulation tool: Geant4. The number of tracked particles is 1e9.

In our simulation the source-to-object distance (SOD) is 1000mm, and the source-to-detector distance (SDD) is 1125mm. The beam spectrum is polychromatic. The voltage is 85 kV. The filtration is 0.1 mm of copper and 1 mm of aluminium. The energy response of the detector is considered. It mimics a 600-micron thick CsI scintillator.



The sample is made of a 70x70x15mm box of water, in which 5 columns of 3 spheres of different radii (2, 3.5, and 5mm) have been inserted. A given material is associated to the spheres of each column (bone (cortical), blood (whole), brain (grey/white matter), breast tissue, and adipose tissue). The columns are ordered in decreasing density. We use the definitions of tissue substitutes provided in the ICRU Report 44 by the International Commission on Radiation Units and Measurements. The material composition is available at https://physics.nist.gov/PhysRefData/XrayMassCoef/tab2.html.

[4]: Image(filename=output_path+"/pediatric_model.png", width=800)

[4]:



Results: The calculations were performed on the following platform:

[5]: printSystemInfo()

OS:

Linux 5.3.18-150300.59.54-default

x86_64

CPU:

AMD Ryzen 7 3800XT 8-Core Processor

RAM:

63 GB

GPU:

Name: NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080 Ti

Drivers: 510.73.08 Video memory: 11 GB

The Monte Carlo simulation needed 5.36e6 HS06 seconds to complete.

It is equivalent to 8.68E+08 ms (i.e. ~10 days) on the system used. Only 51 ± 4 ms was needed with the GPU used.

The mean absolute percentage error (MAPE), also known as mean absolute percentage deviation (MAPD), between the two simulated images is **MAPE 3.12**%. The **zero-mean normalised** cross-correlation is 99.96%. The **Structural Similarity Index (SSIM)** is 0.99.

As MAPE is relatively low (about 3%), SSIM is high (close to 1), and ZNCC is high (close to 100%), we can conclude that this X-ray image simulated with gVirtualXRay on GPU in milliseconds is comparable to the same Monte Carlo simulation that ran for days.

1 Import packages

```
[6]: %matplotlib inline
     import os # Locate files
     import math
     import numpy as np # Who does not use Numpy?
     import pandas as pd # Load/Write CSV files
     import urllib, zipfile
     import matplotlib
     from matplotlib.cm import get cmap
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt # Plotting
     from matplotlib.colors import LogNorm # Look up table
     from matplotlib.colors import PowerNorm # Look up table
     import matplotlib.colors as mcolors
     font = {'family' : 'serif',
             #'weight' : 'bold',
              'size' : 22
     matplotlib.rc('font', **font)
     # matplotlib.rc('text', usetex=True)
     from scipy.stats import pearsonr # Compute the correlatio coefficient
     from scipy.spatial import distance # Euclidean distance
     from skimage.util import compare_images # Checkboard comparison between twou
      ⇒images
     from skimage.metrics import structural_similarity as ssim
     from sklearn.metrics import mean_absolute_percentage_error as mape
     from skimage.metrics import structural_similarity as ssim
     from skimage.transform import resize # Resample the images
```

```
from tifffile import imread, imwrite # Load/Write TIFF files

import datetime # For the runtime

import base64
import SimpleITK as sitk
from stl import mesh
import random
from sitk2vtk import sitk2vtk

from gvxrPython3 import gvxr # Simulate X-ray images
from gvxrPython3 import json2gvxr # Set gVirtualXRay and the simulation upusing a JSON file
from gvxrPython3.utils import visualise

from utils import * # Code shared across more than one notebook
```

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SimpleGVXR 2.0.2 (2022-09-14T19:31:53) [Compiler: GNU g++] on Linux gVirtualXRay core library (gvxr) 2.0.2 (2022-09-14T19:31:52) [Compiler: GNU g++] on Linux
```

2 Reference image

We first load the reference image that has been simulated using Gate wrapper for CERN's Geant4. Here we ignore scattering.

```
[7]: raw_reference = imread("pediatric_phantom_data/direct.tif")
Full_field = np.ones(raw_reference.shape) # Perfect full field image
Dark_field = np.zeros(Full_field.shape) # Perfect dark field image
```

Projections are then corrected to account for variations in beam homogeneity and in the pixel-to-pixel sensitivity of the detector. This is the projection with flat-field correction (**Proj**):

$$\mathbf{Proj} = \frac{I - D}{F - D} \tag{1}$$

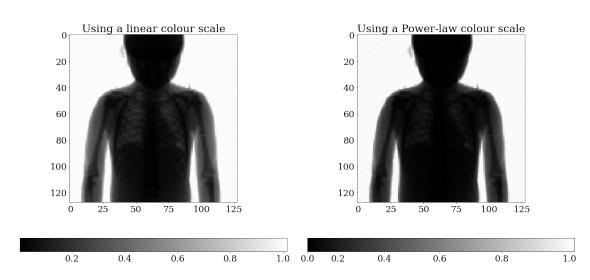
where F (full fields) and D (dark fields) are projection images without sample and acquired with and without the X-ray beam turned on respectively.

We now apply the flat-field correction to Image.

```
[8]: gate_image = (raw_reference - Dark_field) / (Full_field - Dark_field)
# gate_image = raw_reference / np.mean(Full_field)
```

We plot the image using a linear look-up table and a power-law normalisation.

Image simulated using Gate wrapper for CERN's Geant4



3 Setting up gVirtualXRay

possible

[10]: json2gvxr.initGVXR("notebook-1.json", "OPENGL")

Before simulating an X-ray image using gVirtualXRay, we must create an OpenGL context.

```
Create an OpenGL context: 800x450

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- Create window (ID: -1)

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- Initialise GLFW

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- Create an OpenGL window with a 3.2 context.

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- Make the window's context current

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- Initialise GLEW

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- OpenGL vendor: NVIDIA Corporation

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- OpenGL renderer: NVIDIA GeForce RTX 2080

Ti/PCIe/SSE2

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ---- OpenGL version: 3.2.0 NVIDIA 510.73.08

Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 ----- Use OpenGL 4.5.
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Tue Sep 20 22:02:30 2022 --- Initialise the X-ray renderer if needed and if

3.1 X-ray source

We create an X-ray source. It is a point source.

```
[11]: json2gvxr.initSourceGeometry()
```

Set up the beam

Source position: [0.0, 1000.0, 0.0, 'mm']

Source shape: PointSource

3.2 Spectrum

The spectrum is polychromatic.

```
[12]: spectrum, unit, k, f = json2gvxr.initSpectrum(verbose=0)
  energy_set = sorted(spectrum.keys())

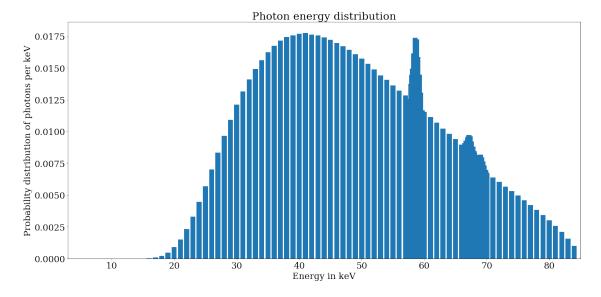
count_set = []

for energy in energy_set:
    count_set.append(spectrum[energy])
```

Plot the spectrum

```
[13]: k *= 1000
plotSpectrum(k, f, output_path + "/spectrum-paediatrics", xlim=[np.min(k), np.

→max(k)])
```



3.3 Detector

Create a digital detector

3.4 Model the energy response of the detector

Load the energy response

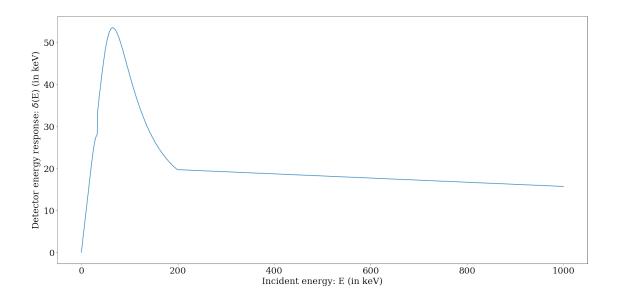
```
[15]: detector_response = np.loadtxt("Gate_data/responseDetector.txt")
```

Display the energy response

```
[16]: plt.figure(figsize= (20,10))
# plt.title("Detector response")
plt.plot(detector_response[:,0] * 1000, detector_response[:,1] * 1000)
plt.xlabel('Incident energy: E (in keV)')
plt.ylabel('Detector energy response: $\\delta$(E) (in keV)')

plt.tight_layout()

plt.savefig(output_path + '/detector_response.pdf')
plt.savefig(output_path + '/detector_response.png')
```



3.5 Converting the voxelised phantom to surface meshes

Download and unzip the phantom

```
[17]: if not os.path.exists("pediatric_phantom_data/Pediatric phantom.zip"):
    urllib.request.urlretrieve("https://drive.uca.fr/f/384a08b5f73244cf9ead/?
    odl=1", "pediatric_phantom_data/Pediatric phantom.zip")

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Load the phantom

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[18]: phantom = sitk.ReadImage("pediatric_phantom_data/Pediatric phantom/

Pediatric_model.mhd")
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Load the labels

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[19]: df = pd.read_csv("pediatric_phantom_data/labels.dat")
```

Process every structure of the phantom

```
[20]: if not os.path.exists("pediatric_phantom_data/meshes"):
    os.mkdir("pediatric_phantom_data/meshes")

if not os.path.exists("pediatric_phantom_data/segmentations"):
    os.mkdir("pediatric_phantom_data/segmentations")
```

```
meshes = []
for threshold, organ in zip(df["Label"], df["Organs"]):
    # Ignore air
    if organ != "Air":
        print("Process", organ)
        seg_fname = "pediatric_phantom_data/segmentations/" + organ + ".mha"
        mesh_fname = "pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/" + organ + ".stl"
        meshes.append(mesh_fname)
        # Only create the mesh if it does not exist
        if not os.path.exists(mesh_fname):
            # Only segment the image it is not done as yet
            if not os.path.exists(seg_fname):
                # Threshold the phantom
                binary_image = (phantom == threshold)
                # Smooth the binary segmentation
                smoothed_binary_image = sitk.AntiAliasBinary(binary_image)
                sitk.WriteImage(smoothed_binary_image, seg_fname)
            else:
                smoothed_binary_image = sitk.ReadImage(seg_fname)
            # Create a VTK image
            vtkimg = sitk2vtk(smoothed_binary_image, centre=True)
            vtk_mesh = extractSurface(vtkimg, 0)
              print('Before decimation')
#
              print(f'There are {mesh.GetNumberOfPoints()} points.')
#
              print(f'There are {mesh.GetNumberOfPolys()} polygons.')
              decimate = vtk.vtkDecimatePro()
              decimate.SetInputData(mesh)
              decimate.SplittingOn()
              decimate.SetTargetReduction(30)
#
              decimate.PreserveTopologyOn()
#
              decimate.Update()
#
              decimated = vtk.vtkPolyData()
              decimated.ShallowCopy(decimate.GetOutput())
```

```
print('After decimation')
#
              print(f'There are {decimated.GetNumberOfPoints()} points.')
#
              print(f'There are {decimated.GetNumberOfPolys()} polygons.')
#
#
              print(
                  f'Reduction: {(mesh.GetNumberOfPolys() - decimated.
#
 → GetNumberOfPolys()) / mesh.GetNumberOfPolys()}')
#
              print("\n\n")
#
              writeSTL(decimated, mesh_fname)
            writeSTL(vtk_mesh, mesh_fname)
```

Process Muscle Process Bone Process Stomach-Interior Process Cartilage Process Brain Process Bladder Process Gallbladder Process Heart Process Kidneys-right Process Kidneys-left Process Small-Intestine Process Large-Intestine Process Liver Process Lung-right Process Lung-left Process Pancreas Process Spleen Process Stomach Process Thymus Process Eyes-right Process Eyes-left Process Skull Process Trachea

Load the samples. verbose=2 is used to print the material database for Gate. To disable it, use verbose=0 or verbose=1.

[21]: json2gvxr.initSamples(verbose=0)

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9.88865, 16.3501)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Stomach-Interior.stl
                                                        nb_faces:
                                                                        9452
nb vertices:
                28356
                        bounding_box (in cm):
                                               (-1.34334, -2.38867, -17.0041)
(4.16143, 3.05231, -8.50205)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Cartilage.stl
                                                nb faces:
nb vertices:
                489966 bounding_box (in cm):
                                                (-16.7615, -4.32288, -30.9017)
(15.5041, 8.717, 16.6771)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Brain.stl nb_faces:
                                                        124028
                                                                nb_vertices:
372084 bounding box (in cm): (-7.32082, -9.98695, 16.3501)
                                                                (7.50031,
5.78681, 28.1222)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Bladder.stl
                                                nb_faces:
                                                                3712
                        bounding_box (in cm):
                                                (-3.78536, 2.11808, -30.9017)
nb vertices:
                11136
(0.175804, 5.49461, -29.7572)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Gallbladder.stl
                                                                4308
                                                nb_faces:
nb vertices:
                12924
                        bounding box (in cm):
                                               (-5.07422, -1.68659, -17.9851)
(-2.54188, 1.49065, -14.3881)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Heart.stl nb_faces:
                                                        48172
                                                                nb_vertices:
144516 bounding_box (in cm): (-3.78536, -3.07617, -9.15606)
                                                                (6.32529,
5.68903, 1.30801)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Kidneys-right.stl nb_faces:
                                                                17512
                        bounding_box (in cm): (-7.69363, 1.73117, -18.9661)
nb_vertices:
                52536
(-2.47349, 7.23954, -10.4641)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Kidneys-left.stl nb_faces:
                                                                16388
nb_vertices:
               49164
                        bounding_box (in cm):
                                                (1.37053, 3.46679, -17.9851)
(6.44388, 7.74184, -8.82905)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric phantom data/meshes/Small-Intestine.stl
                                                        nb faces:
                                                                        118532
                355596 bounding_box (in cm): (-7.48809, -2.95731, -30.9017)
nb vertices:
(7.59416, 8.32697, -12.0991)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Large-Intestine.stl
                                                        nb_faces:
                                                                        94336
nb vertices:
                283008 bounding_box (in cm): (-4.66426, -1.67902, -30.4112)
(7.11153, 6.16473, -13.4071)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Liver.stl nb_faces:
                                                        87800
                                                                nb_vertices:
263400 bounding box (in cm): (-9.35286, -3.73856, -19.2931)
                                                                (5.43096,
7.83896, -6.21304)
Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Lung-right.stl
                                                nb_faces:
                                                                80364
                241092 bounding box (in cm): (-9.47265, -3.16992, -8.82905)
nb_vertices:
```

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(0.0788746, 8.15358, 6.54004)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Lung-left.stl
                                                                       70736
                                                      nb_faces:
     nb vertices:
                     212208 bounding_box (in cm):
                                                      (0.397666, -2.26504, -9.81006)
     (8.28139, 8.52371, 6.21304)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Pancreas.stl
                                                      nb faces:
                                                                       14592
     nb vertices:
                     43776
                             bounding box (in cm):
                                                       (-2.8088, -0.240234, -17.0041)
     (5.6632, 4.32215, -10.1371)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Spleen.stl
                                                      nb_faces:
                                                                       25468
     nb_vertices:
                     76404
                             bounding_box (in cm):
                                                      (1.48829, -0.611202, -14.7151)
     (8.10404, 7.94215, -6.86704)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Stomach.stl
                                                      nb_faces:
                                                                       28680
     nb_vertices:
                     86040
                             bounding_box (in cm):
                                                      (-3.47804, -2.58413, -17.0041)
     (5.05955, 4.0295, -7.84805)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Thymus.stl
                                                      nb_faces:
                                                                       3136
     nb vertices:
                     9408
                             bounding box (in cm):
                                                      (-0.846352, -1.87282, -1.30801)
     (1.53113, 1.18326, 2.28901)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Eyes-right.stl
                                                      nb faces:
                                                                       3956
                     11868
                             bounding_box (in cm):
                                                      (-3.88504, -9.01112, 14.7151)
     nb_vertices:
     (-1.28679, -6.41928, 17.6581)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Eyes-left.stl
                                                      nb_faces:
                                                                       4116
     nb_vertices:
                     12348
                              bounding_box (in cm):
                                                      (1.66718, -8.8147, 14.7151)
     (4.47449, -6.12631, 17.6581)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:32 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric_phantom_data/meshes/Skull.stl nb_faces:
                                                               327028
                                                                      nb_vertices:
     981084 bounding_box (in cm):
                                     (-7.59598, -10.476, 7.84805)
                                                                       (7.79064,
     6.17931, 29.1032)
     Tue Sep 20 22:02:33 2022 ---- file_name:
     pediatric phantom data/meshes/Trachea.stl
                                                      nb faces:
                                                                       8588
                                                      (-3.48031, -0.996257, -2.61602)
                             bounding_box (in cm):
     nb vertices:
                     25764
     (3.39865, 5.09486, 10.1371)
     Get the total number of triangles
[22]: number_of_triangles = 0
      for sample in json2gvxr.params["Samples"]:
          label = sample["Label"]
          number_of_triangles += gvxr.getNumberOfPrimitives(label)
```

Visualise the phantom

```
[23]: plot = visualise(flip=True, use_log=True, use_negative=True)
    plot.background_color = 0xffffff

Output()

[24]: fname = output_path + '/pediatric_model.png'
    if not os.path.isfile(fname):

        plot.fetch_screenshot() # Not sure why, but we need to do it twice to get_u
        the right screenshot
        plot.fetch_screenshot()

        data = base64.b64decode(plot.screenshot)
        with open(fname,'wb') as fp:
            fp.write(data)
```

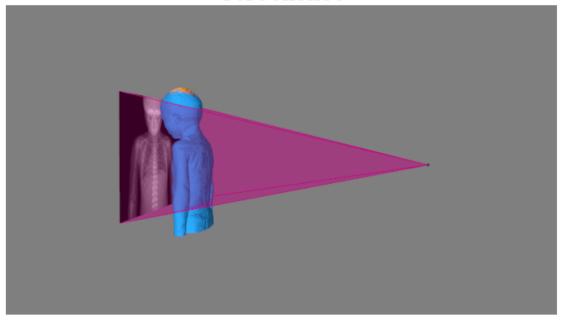
4 Run the simulation

Update the 3D visualisation and take a screenshot

```
[25]: gvxr.displayScene()
      gvxr.computeXRayImage()
      gvxr.useLighing()
      gvxr.useWireframe()
      gvxr.setZoom(1549.6787109375)
      angle = math.pi / 2.0
      rotation_matrix_x = np.array([ 1, 0, 0, 0,
                                     0, math.cos(angle), -math.sin(angle), 0,
                                     0, math.sin(angle), math.cos(angle), 0,
                                     0, 0, 0, 1]
      rotation_matrix_z = np.array([ math.cos(angle), -math.sin(angle), 0, 0,
                                     math.sin(angle), math.cos(angle), 0, 0,
                                     0, 0, 1, 0,
                                     0, 0, 0, 1])
      rotation_matrix_x.shape = [4,4]
      rotation_matrix_z.shape = [4,4]
      transformation_matrix = np.identity(4)
      transformation_matrix = np.matmul(rotation_matrix_x, transformation_matrix)
      transformation_matrix = np.matmul(rotation_matrix_z, transformation_matrix)
```

```
gvxr.setSceneRotationMatrix(transformation_matrix.flatten())
      gvxr.setWindowBackGroundColour(1, 1, 1)
      gvxr.displayScene()
[26]: | screenshot = (255 * np.array(gvxr.takeScreenshot())).astype(np.uint8)
[27]: fname = output_path + 'screenshot.png'
      if not os.path.isfile(fname):
          plt.imsave(fname, screenshot)
[28]: gvxr.setZoom(1549.6787109375)
      gvxr.setSceneRotationMatrix([-0.19267332553863525, -0.06089369207620621, 0.
       →9793692827224731, 0.0,
                                    0.9809651970863342, -0.03645244985818863, 0.
       →19072122871875763, 0.0,
                                    0.02408679760992527, 0.9974713325500488, 0.
       →06675821542739868, 0.0,
                                    0.0,
                                                          0.0,
                                                                                0.0,
                      1.0])
      gvxr.setWindowBackGroundColour(0.5, 0.5, 0.5)
      gvxr.useNegative()
      gvxr.displayScene()
[29]: | screenshot = (255 * np.array(gvxr.takeScreenshot())).astype(np.uint8)
[30]: plt.figure(figsize= (10,10))
      plt.title("Screenshot")
      plt.imshow(screenshot)
      plt.axis('off')
      plt.tight_layout()
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/screenshot-beam-on-paediatrics.pdf')
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/screenshot-beam-on-paediatrics.png')
```

Screenshot



Compute an X-ray image 50 times (to gather performance statistics)

```
[31]: # gvxr.enableArtefactFilteringOnCPU()
gvxr.enableArtefactFilteringOnGPU()
# gvxr.disableArtefactFiltering() # Spere inserts are missing with GPU
integration when a outer surface is used for the matrix

runtimes = []

for i in range(50):
    start_time = datetime.datetime.now()
    gvxr.computeXRayImage()
    end_time = datetime.datetime.now()
    delta_time = end_time - start_time
    runtimes.append(delta_time.total_seconds() * 1000)
```

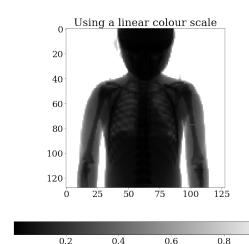
Save an X-ray image

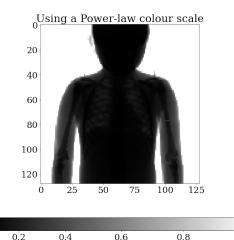
```
[32]: # Compute the L-buffers on the GPU and integrate on the GPU
gvxr_image = np.array(gvxr.computeXRayImage())
gvxr_image = resize(gvxr_image, gate_image.shape)
imwrite(output_path + '/gvxr_image-raw-paediatrics.tif', gvxr_image.astype(np.
single))
```

Flat-field correction

```
[33]: total_energy_in_keV = 0.0
      for energy, count in zip(energy_set, count_set):
          total_energy_in_keV += energy * count
      total_energy_in_MeV = gvxr.getTotalEnergyWithDetectorResponse()
[34]: white = np.ones(gvxr_image.shape) * total_energy_in_MeV
      dark = np.zeros(gvxr_image.shape)
      gvxr_image = (gvxr_image - dark) / (white - dark)
     Save the corresponding image
[35]: imwrite(output_path + '/gvxr_image-flat.tif', gvxr_image.astype(np.single))
[36]: plt.figure(figsize= (20,10))
      plt.suptitle("Image simulated using gVirtualXRay,\nintegration on GPU", y=1.02)
      plt.subplot(121)
      plt.imshow(gvxr_image, cmap="gray")
      plt.colorbar(orientation='horizontal')
      plt.title("Using a linear colour scale")
      plt.subplot(122)
      plt.imshow(gvxr_image, norm=PowerNorm(gamma=1./0.75), cmap="gray")
      plt.colorbar(orientation='horizontal')
      plt.title("Using a Power-law colour scale")
      plt.tight_layout()
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/gvxr_image-paediatrics.pdf')
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/gvxr_image-paediatrics.png')
```

Image simulated using gVirtualXRay, integration on GPU





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5 Comparison the analytic simulation with the Monte Carlo simulation

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5.1 Quantitative validation

Compute image metrics between the two simulated images:

- 1. mean absolute percentage error (MAPE), also known as mean absolute percentage deviation (MAPD),
- 2. zero-mean normalised cross-correlation (ZNCC), and
- 3. Structural Similarity Index (SSIM).

We use these three metrics as one is a disimilarity measurement (MAPE), two are similarity measurement (ZNCC & SSIM). MAPE and ZNCC can be expressed as a percentage, which eases the interpretation of the numerical values. SSIM is a number between 0 and 1. A good value of MAPE s 0%; of ZNCC 100%, and SSIM 1.

MAPE: 3.12% ZNCC: 99.96% SSIM: 0.99

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[38]: runtime_avg = round(np.mean(runtimes))
runtime_std = round(np.std(runtimes))
```

Print a row of the table for the paper

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[39]: print("Paediatric -- polychromatic (85 kV), detector energy response & Gate & "___

"{0:0.2f}".format(100 * MAPE) + "\\% & " +

"{0:0.2f}".format(100 * ZNCC) + "\\% & " +

"{0:0.2f}".format(SSIM) + " & $" +

str(json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["NumberOfPixels"][0]) + " \\pm " +__

str(json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["NumberOfPixels"][1]) + "$ & " +

str(number_of_triangles) + " & " +

"8.68E+08 & " +

"$" + str(runtime_avg) + " \\pm " + str(runtime_std) + "$ \\\")
```

```
Paediatric -- polychromatic (85 kV), detector energy response & Gate & 3.12\% & 99.96\% & 0.99 & $128 \pm 128$ & 3552778 & 8.68E+08 & $42 \pm 3$ \\
```

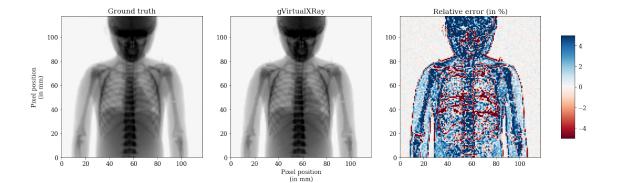
In both cases, MAPE is very small (about 3%), ZNCC is very high (almost 100%), and SSIM is very high (almost 1). We can conclude that the two images are similar. The main difference lie in the Poisson noise affecting the Monte Carlo simulation.

5.2 Qualitative validation

Checkboard comparison

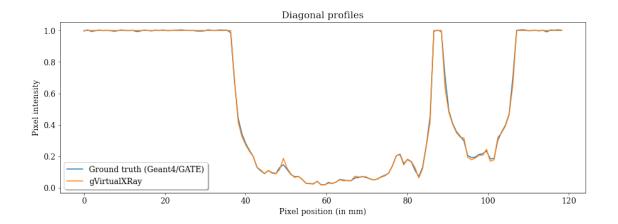
```
[40]: font = {'size' : 12.5 }
matplotlib.rc('font', **font)
```

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detector_position = [json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][0] * gvxr.
       ogetUnitOfLength(json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][3]) / gvxr.
       json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][1] * gvxr.
       agetUnitOfLength(json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][3]) / gvxr.
       json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][2] * gvxr.
       -getUnitOfLength(json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Position"][3]) / gvxr.
       object bbox = gvxr.getNodeAndChildrenBoundingBox("root", "mm")
     object_position = [(object_bbox[0] + object_bbox[3]) / 2,
                       (object_bbox[1] + object_bbox[4]) / 2,
                       (object_bbox[2] + object_bbox[5]) / 2
     source_imager_distance = distance.euclidean(source_position, detector_position)
     source_object_distance = distance.euclidean(source_position, object_position)
     magnification = source_imager_distance / source_object_distance
[42]: print("SID:", source imager distance, "mm")
     print("SOD:", source_object_distance, "mm")
     print("magnification:", magnification)
     SID: 1150.0 mm
     SOD: 1062.4489886902375 mm
     magnification: 1.082404908133701
[43]: detector_resolution = json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["NumberOfPixels"]
     detector_size = json2gvxr.params["Detector"]["Size"]
     pixel_pitch = np.array([detector_size[0] / detector_size[0] / gvxr.
      detector_size[1] / detector_size[1] / gvxr.getUnitOfLength("mm"),
     ])
     fullCompareImages(gate_image,
                      gvxr_image,
                       "gVirtualXRay\n with integration on GPU",
                      output_path + "/full_comparison-paediatrics", pixel_pitch / __
       →magnification, log=True)
```



Plot the profiles

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[44]: font = {'size'
                     : 12.5
      matplotlib.rc('font', **font)
[45]: ground_truth_diag = np.diag(gate_image)
      gvxr_diag = np.diag(gvxr_image)
      x = np.linspace(0, len(ground_truth_diag), len(ground_truth_diag)) *__
      ⇔(pixel_pitch[0] / magnification)
      plt.figure(figsize=(15, 5))
      ax = plt.subplot(111)
      ax.set_title("Diagonal profiles")
      ax.plot(x, ground_truth_diag, label="Ground truth (Geant4/GATE)")
      ax.plot(x, gvxr_diag, label="gVirtualXRay")
      ax.legend(loc='best',
                ncol=1, fancybox=True, shadow=True)
      plt.xlabel("Pixel position (in mm)")
      plt.ylabel("Pixel intensity")
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/profiles-paediatrics.pdf')
      plt.savefig(output_path + '/profiles-paediatrics.png')
```



6 All done

Destroy the window

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[46]: gvxr.destroyAllWindows()
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