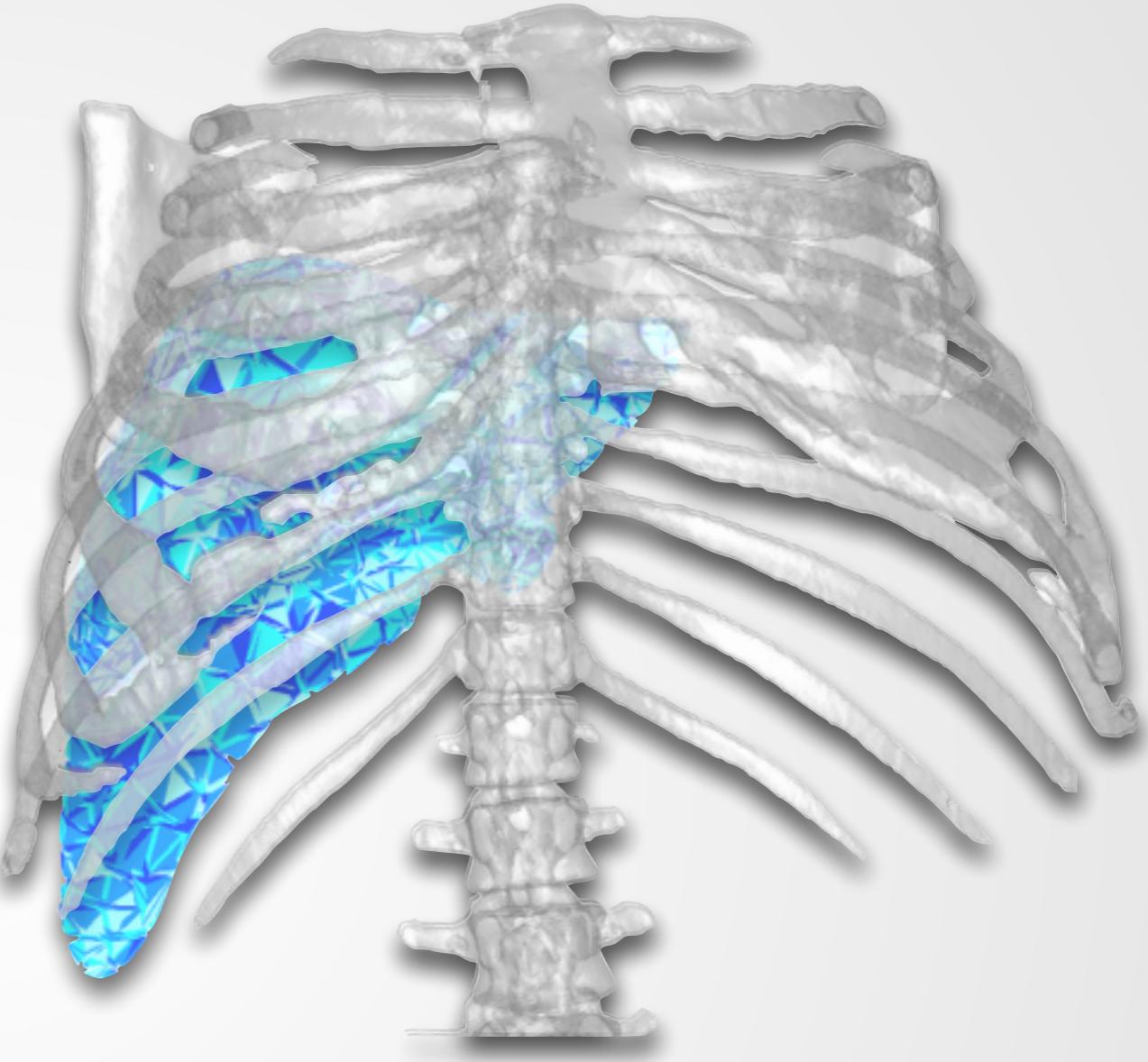
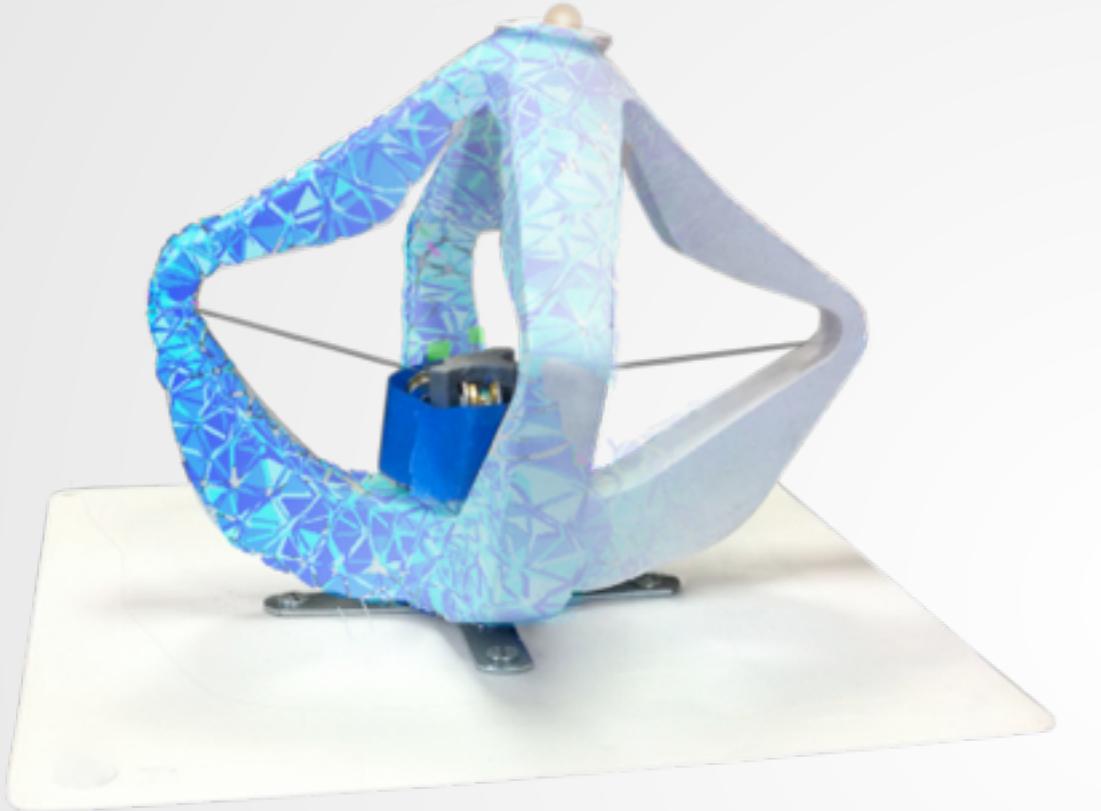


# MODELING & SIMULATION

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MECHANICAL DEFORMABLE  
MODELS FOR REAL-TIME  
COMPUTATION

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- Constraint-based modeling of biomechanical interactions
- Haptic rendering and multithreading approaches
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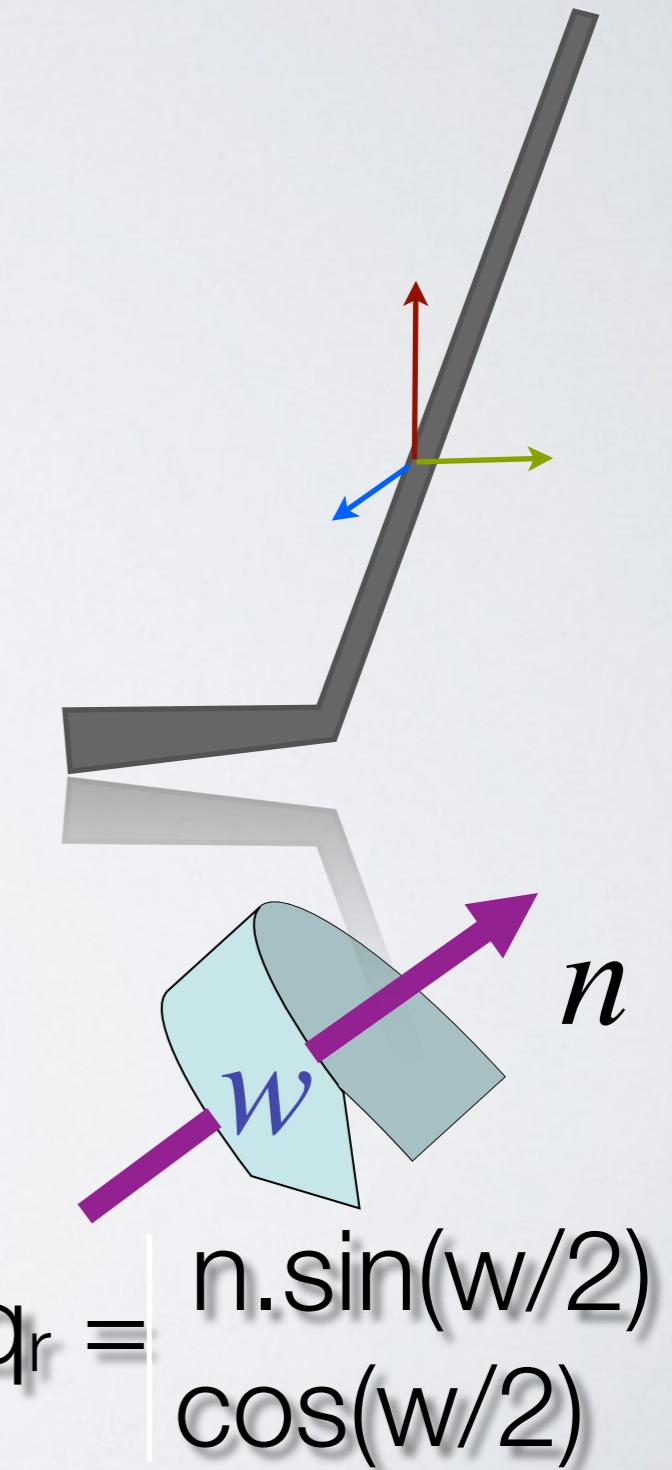
# MODELING OF INSTRUMENTS

Rigid instruments

$$\mathbb{M}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$$

↑ Mass, Inertia      ↑ Gravity      ↗ centrifugal Forces

- 6 DOFs: 3 translation / 3 rotations => 6 equations
- Motion described at the center of Inertia



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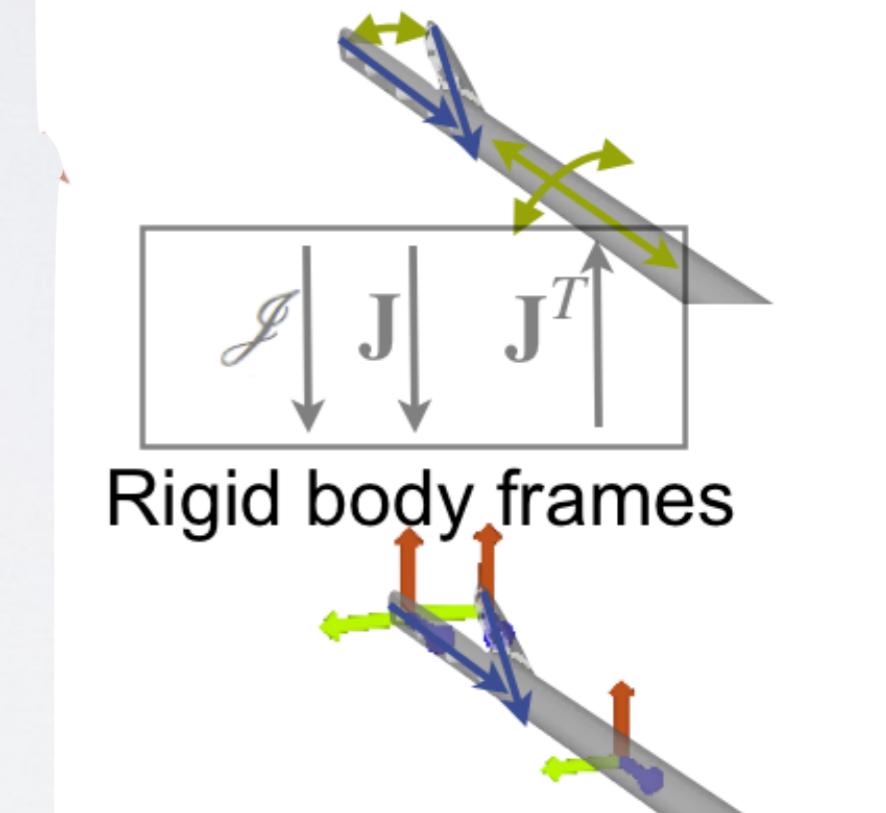
## Articulated Models

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$$

↑  
Mass,  
Inertia      Gravity      ↑  
Coriolis and  
centrifugal  
Forces

- 6 DOFs + 1 DOF / articulation
- $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v} \Rightarrow$  generalized coordinates ( $\neq$  absolute coordinates)

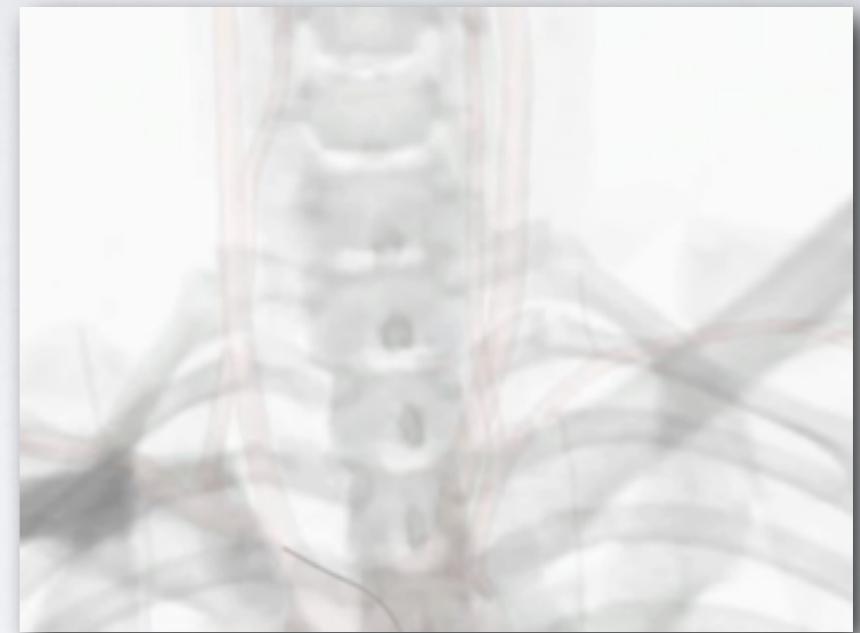
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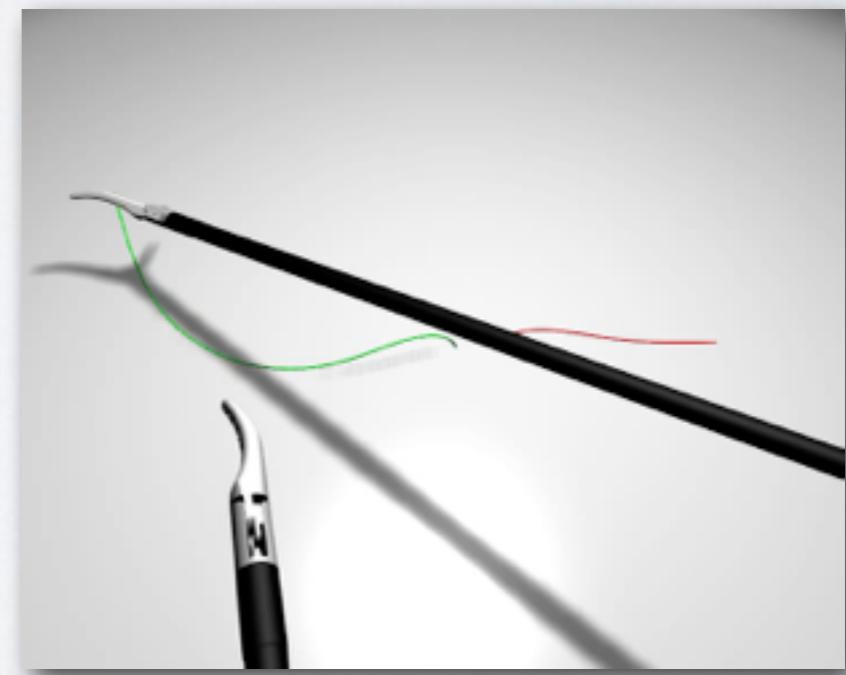
## Wire-like instruments

- Several possible application
  - Interventional radiology instruments: catheters, guides, coils
  - Surgical instruments: flexible needle, suture thread..
- Several possible models
  - Beam Theory (6DoFs per nodes: absolute coords)
  - Cosserat Rods (reduced coordinates)
  - Spline-based models... (it depends...)



$$\mathbb{M}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$$

- Could also be used for anatomical structures
  - Ligaments
  - Blood vessels



# ANATOMICAL MODELING

## Example of the Liver model

*Patient specific*

- Different kind of meshes
  - Visualisation (textures, colors...)
  - Volume mesh (FEM computation)
  - Blood vessel network
  - Collision mesh

*The liver is not «alone»*

- Respiratory system (diaphragm motion)
- Other surrounding deformable organs
- Ligaments, mechanical links



Patient-specific data

# ANATOMICAL MODELING

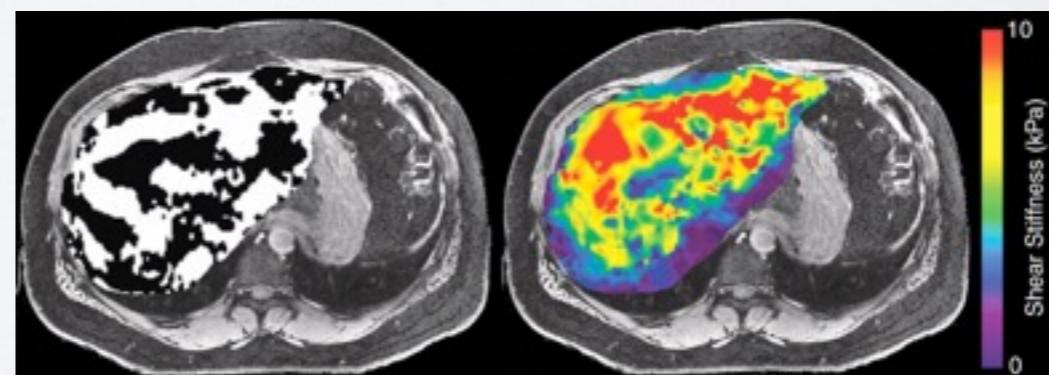
Anatomical models are key in medical simulation...

Various algorithms rely on meshes derived from anatomical model

- Post-processing is needed to generate derived meshes
- Integrate simulation-specific constraints within reconstruction process
- Need for more complete anatomical descriptions
  - embed tissue properties
  - other parameters such as patient-specific texture

... but need to be combined with patient-specific biomechanical data

- Elastography (ultrasound, MRI, ...)
- Other (non-invasive) approaches

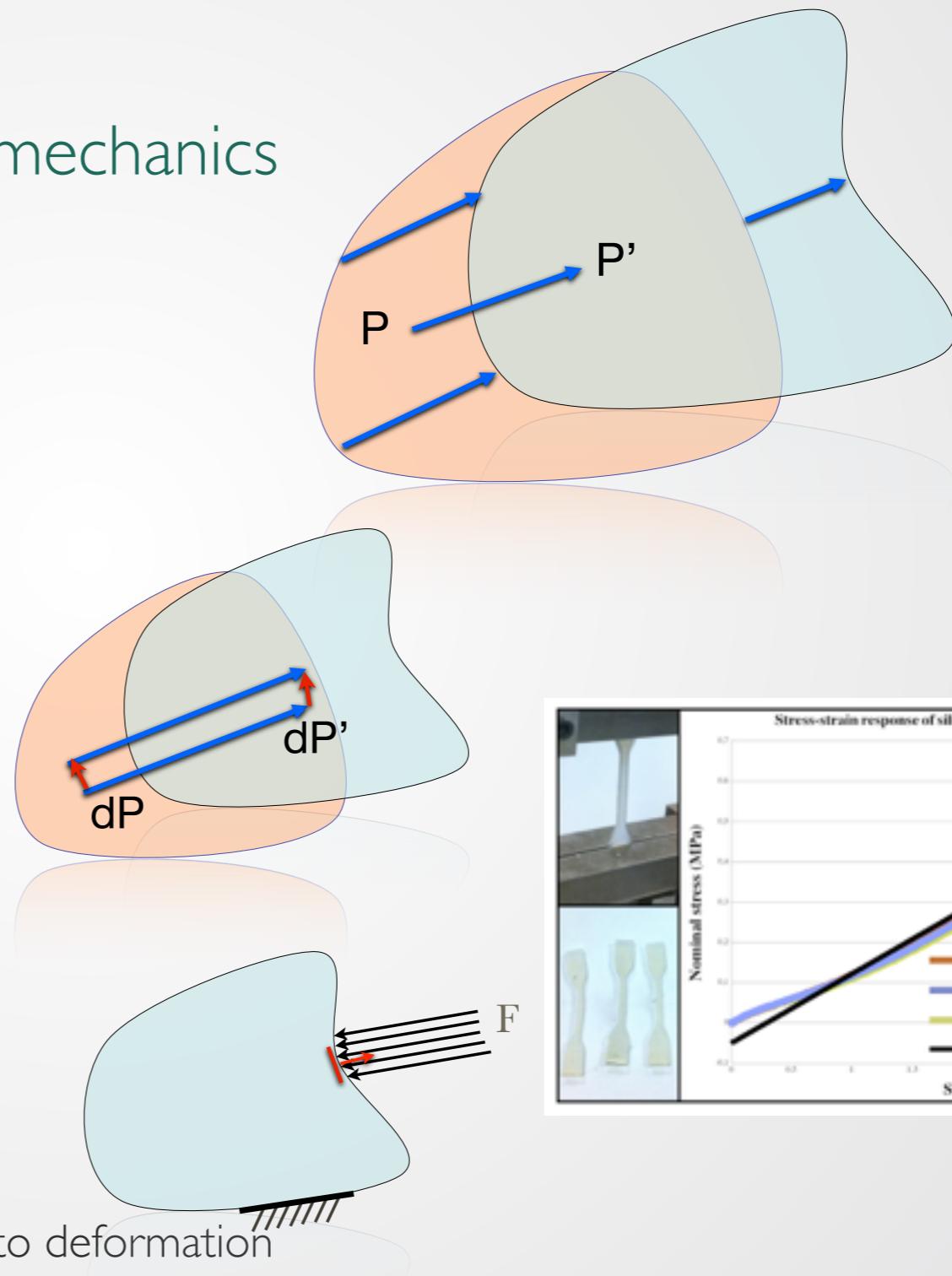


Elastographic image - Colors show different stiffness values

# CONTINUUM MECHANICS

- Hypothesis: « Total Lagrangian » mechanics

- « Continuity » of the material
- Infinite number of points
- A reference domain



- Use of partial derivatives (Mathematics)
- Strain tensor
  - ~ Geometrical or Kinematic Model

- Use measurements (Physics)
- Stress tensor
  - ~ Provide a notion of internal pressure due to deformation
  - Need to be in equilibrium with external forces

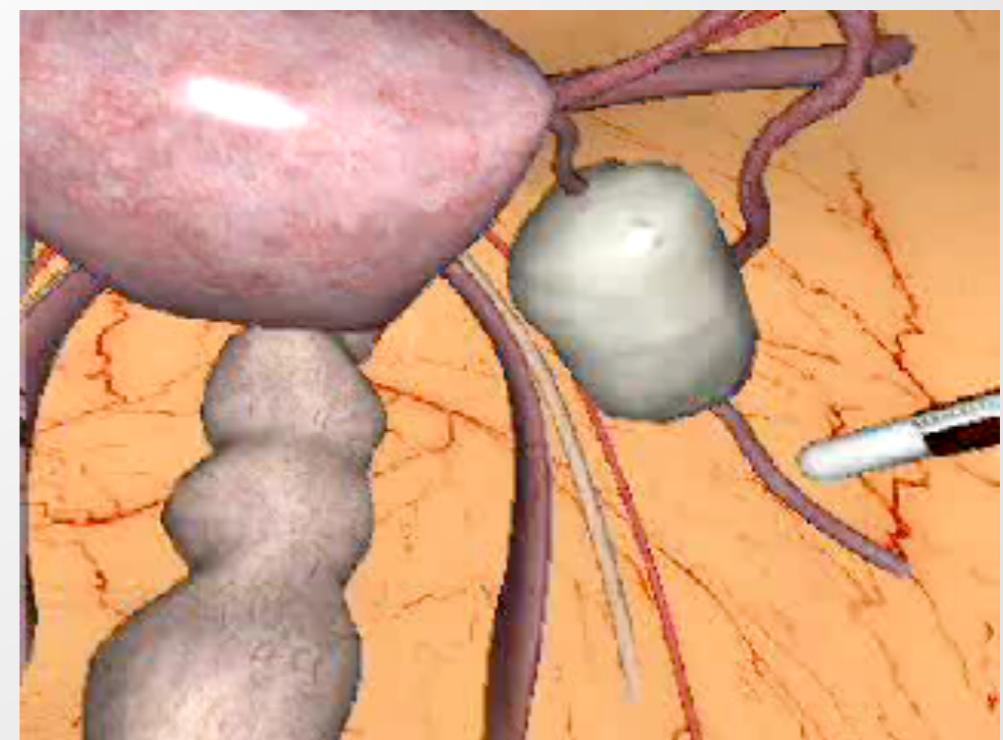
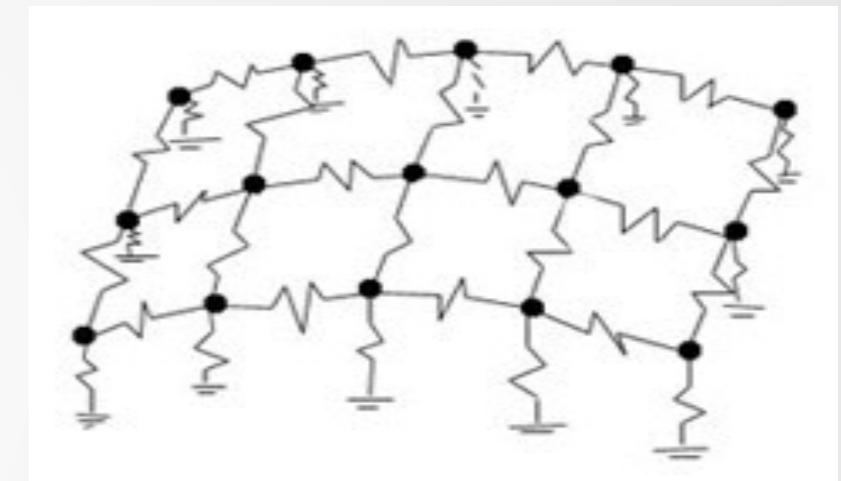
# DISCRETIZATION

- Why do we need to discretize ?
- Definition of the Degrees Of Freedom (DOF)
- Several numerical methods
- Finite Element
- Finite Difference
- ...

# MODELING OF SOFT-TISSUES

$$\mathbb{M}(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$$

- Mass-Spring & Discrete models
  - $\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}$  = position and velocity of the nodes
  - Mass lumped at the nodes
  - visco-elastic links
- Positive features
  - Easy to programm !
  - Visual realism
- But not accurate
  - No direct identification & dependance on the mesh



# FEM DEFORMABLE MODEL

- no analytical solution... in the general case

- Use of Finite Element Method

- Advantages:

- Numerical convergence to the solution

- Directly based on the constitutive law

- Issues:

- Computation is time-consuming

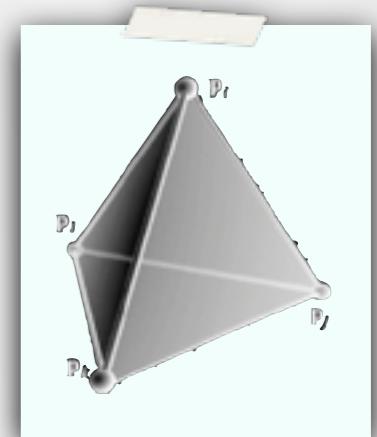
- Non-linearities due to large displacements (large rotation)

- Real-time implementation:

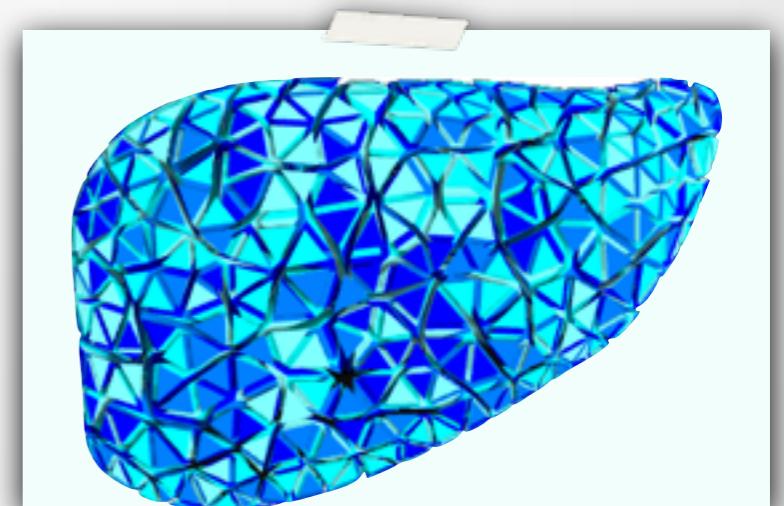
- Corotational approach [Felippa00] (static or dynamic)

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_i) \approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}_{i-1}) + \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}_{i-1})d\mathbf{x}$$

- GPU implementation



1. Computation at the element level



2. Global discrete «stiffness» for the hole deformable model

# MECHANICAL DEFORMABLE MODELS

- Newton's second law

$$\mathbb{M}(\mathbf{q}) \dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{H}^T \lambda$$

$\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  Vector of generalized degrees of freedom (nodes of a deformable model)

$\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  Vector of velocities

$\mathbb{M}(\mathbf{q}) : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathcal{M}^{n \times n}$  Inertia Matrix

$\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$  Internal forces (non-linear model)

$\mathbb{P}(t)$  External forces

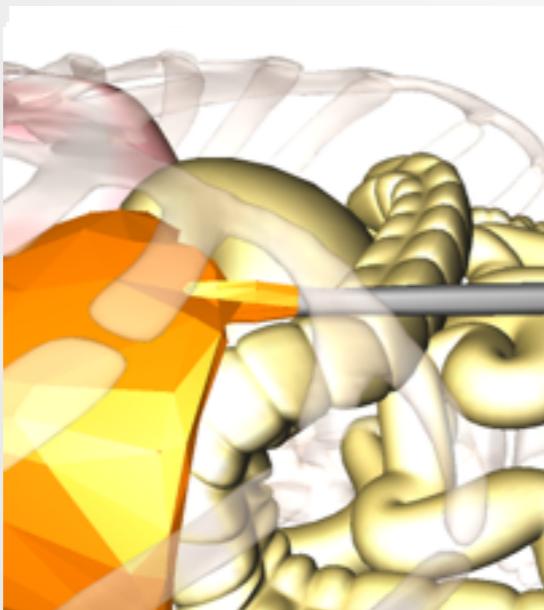
$\mathbf{H}^T \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n$  Constraint force contribution

- Quasi-static case:

$$\frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} d\mathbf{q} = \mathbb{P} - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}) + \mathbf{H}^T \lambda$$

# REAL-TIME INTEGRATION

- Interactive Simulation = the physician can modify the course of the simulation
- Time derivatives in model equation = integration scheme (notion of time step...)
- Between these two steps, the user do a certain motion in a REAL interval of time
- The time elapsed in the simulation must be EQUAL to the REAL interval of time



$$h = dt$$

$$t + h$$



$$t + dt$$

# TIME INTEGRATION SCHEMES

From Model to Algorithm...:

- Dynamic equation of 1 point:

$$f(x, v) = M\ddot{a}$$

- Euler explicit scheme:

$$\begin{aligned}v(t) &= v(t-dt) + a(t-dt) dt \\x(t) &= x(t-dt) + v(t-dt) dt\end{aligned}$$

- Simulation algorithm



# TIME INTEGRATION SCHEMES

- Explicit Methods:

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbb{P}(t) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})$$

\dot{\mathbf{v}} unknown      \mathbb{F} (\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v})  
\mathbb{P}(t) known from previous time steps

- Conditionnally stable
  - High constraint on the time step used in the simulation
  - $h \leq Le/c$  ( $h$ : time step,  $Le$ : Caracterstic length of smallest element,  $c$ : velocity of the deformation wave)

# DEFORMATION WAVE...



*Propagation of the deformation wave... is very fast !!*

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- Unconditionnally stable
- Possible use of «large» time step  $h$  in the simulation
- Needs the resolution of a large non-linear problem

# TIME-STEPPING IMPLICIT INTEGRATION

- Implicit Euler Integration

stability with quite large time-step and «non-smooth» events

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{v}_f - \mathbf{v}_i) &= h (\mathbb{P}(t_f) - \mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}_f, \mathbf{v}_f)) \\ \mathbf{q}_f &= \mathbf{q}_i + h\mathbf{v}_f \end{aligned}$$

- One linearization of the internal forces per time-step

(Compromise between precision and computation time)

$$\mathbb{F}(\mathbf{q}_i + d\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{v}_i + d\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{f}_i + \frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} d\mathbf{q} + \frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{v}} d\mathbf{v}$$

- A (changing) linear system to be solved at each time step

$$\underbrace{\left( \mathbf{M} + h \frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{v}} + h^2 \frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} \right)}_{\mathbf{A}} \underbrace{\mathbf{d}\mathbf{v}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{-h^2 \frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{q}} \mathbf{v}_i - h (\mathbf{f}_i + \mathbf{p}_f)}_{\mathbf{b}}$$

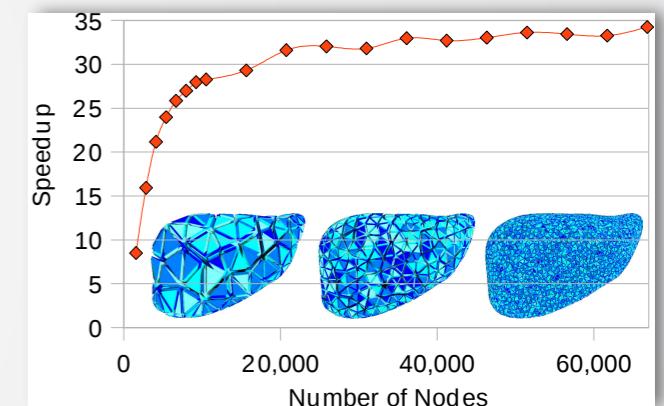
- Switch to quasi-static when computation is too slow

(no notion of «time» in the simulation)

$$\underbrace{\frac{\delta \mathbb{F}}{\delta \mathbf{q}}}_{\mathbf{A}} \underbrace{\mathbf{d}\mathbf{q}}_{\mathbf{x}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{f}_{i-1}}_{\mathbf{b}}$$

# HOW TO MAKE IT REAL-TIME ?

- Parallel / GPU Computation
  - Easy for explicit integration / more complex for implicit (coupling btw equations)
  - Existing library (Cuda-Blas, Pardiso, ...)
- Specific Numerical methods
  - Numbering of nodes, Preconditionning, Multigrid ...
- Adaptive strategies
  - Put the degrees of freedom where (really) needed
  - Meshless approach / topological changes (also a challenge for cutting)
- Model reduction
  - Precomputation of a large number of deformation modes
  - Use of a reduce number but more «complex» degrees of freedom (Frames, deformation modes...)



# HOW TO MAKE IT REAL-TIME ?

- One example of optimization: Asynchronous Preconditionner

- Non-linear FEM: one linearization per time-step
- Solve system  $A x = b$  ( $A, b$  known,  $x$  unknown)
  - Finding exact solution is « costly » → Iterative solvers
  - Problem of bad conditioning of matrix  $A$
- Use of a preconditionner:

$$\boxed{\underbrace{P^{-1}A}_{\approx I} x = B^{-1}}$$

- Motivations for asynchronous preconditionner:
  - Temporal Coherency of  $A$
  - Factorization of an « old » value of  $A$  to find  $P$
  - The cost of factorization of  $P$  is not supported by the real-time loop

