Guidance for Skullbase Surgery

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  - k-Wave Simulations
  - Experimental Design and Set-Up
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Project Statement

Our Goal:
Improve accuracy using **intra-operative sensing/imaging** so as to **protect critical structures** during drilling, particularly in **children**
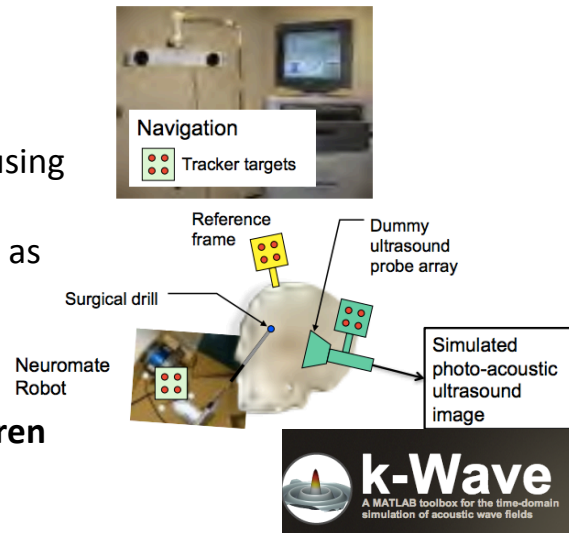
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Approach

Sensing and control to reduce model registration uncertainty
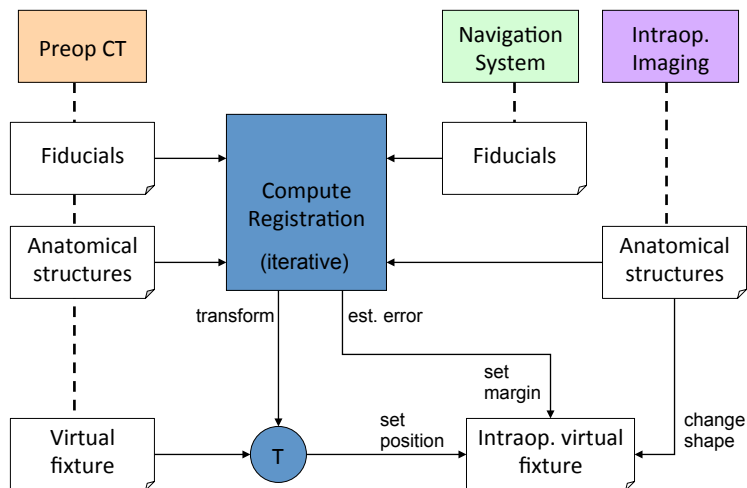
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Data Analysis (I) **(April 14)**	Both														
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Experimental Set-Up	Grace														
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# Progress: Phase 2 – Phantom Design
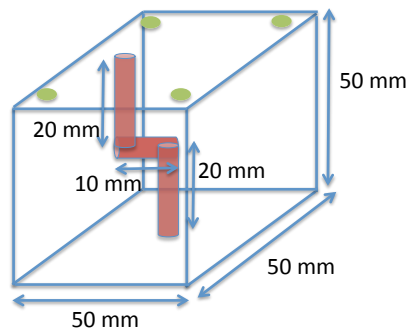
- Simple phantom to demonstrate proof of concept
- Materials: cardboard and plastic/rubber tubing
- Front face of cardboard box is open
- Diameter of plastic/ rubber tubing is 5 mm
- Four fiducials at each corner of the box
- Budget: negligible

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Progress: Phase 2 – k-Wave Simulations

Part 1: Segmentation and Intersection

- **Manual segmentation** of carotid artery in 3D Slicer
  - Thresholding
  - Output .vtk
- **Model path of laser and surface of segmented artery** to find intersection using VTK
  - Did the path of the laser intersect with the artery?
  - If yes, what is the distance from the laser to the artery?

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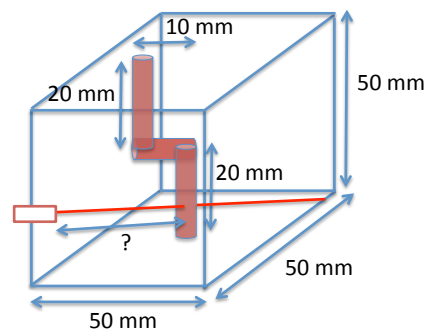
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Part 1: Segmentation and Intersection

- Position of carotid artery and laser in CT coordinates
- Simple model of **laser path as a ray** parallel to the line that is formed by the tool tip and the tool hind
- Surface of carotid artery represented in BBox tree for fast intersection computation
- **Calculate distance** between tool tip and **first point** of intersection with segmented surface
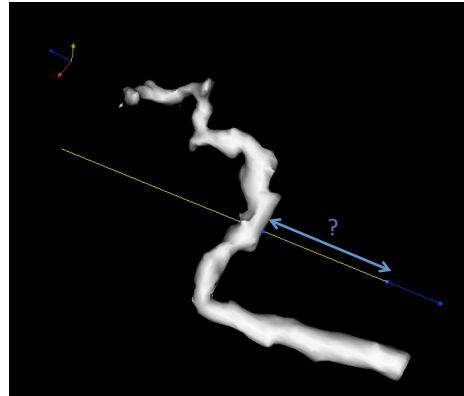
Source: Manual segmentation of ICA using example data in 3D slicer

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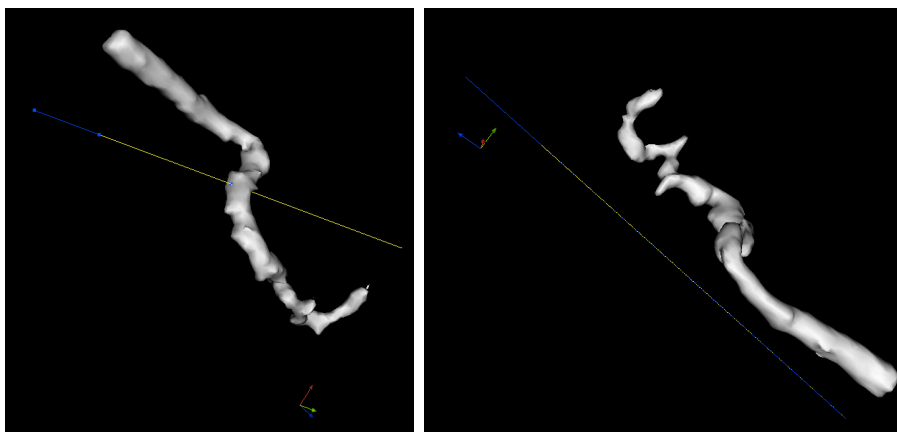
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Part 2: k-Wave simulation photo-acoustic wave fields

Inputs to kspaceFirstOrder3D

- **Computational grid**
  - 5 x 5 x 5 cm
  - dx = 0.1mm
  - 500 x 500 x 500 grid points
- **Medium properties**
  - Speed of sound in tissue = 1550m/s
- **Initial pressure source**
  - From simulation in Part 1 in CT space convert to grid coordinates
- **Position of sensor**
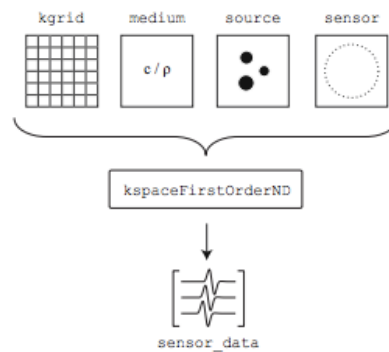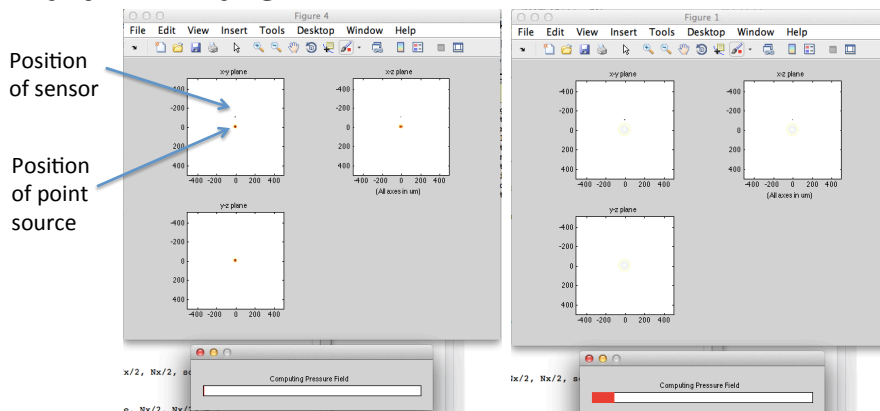 - In CT space convert to grid coordinates

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sensor_data

Fig. 2 Schematic of the architecture of the simulation functions within the k-Wave toolbox that are based on coupled first-order acoustic equations for heterogeneous media.

Source: Treeby et al. k-Wave: MATLAB toolbox for the simulation and reconstruction of photoacoustic wave fields

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Progress: Phase 2 – k-Wave Simulations

Part 2: k-Wave

Position of sensor

Position of point source

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Progress: Phase 2 – k-Wave Simulations

Part 2: k-Wave

- Calculate distance based on peak of acoustic waveform detected at position of probe
- **Takes into account acoustic attenuation but not light scattering**
- **Disadvantage: Computationally intensive** – Cannot do visualization and experiments in real-time
- **Advantage: Possibility of 2D or 3D visualization**
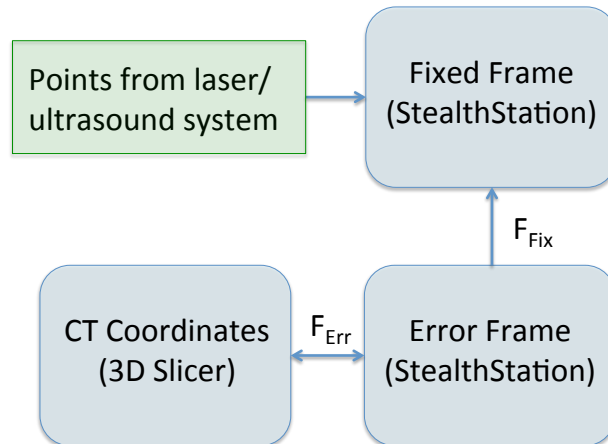
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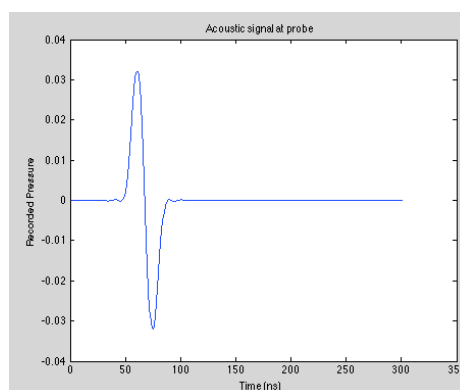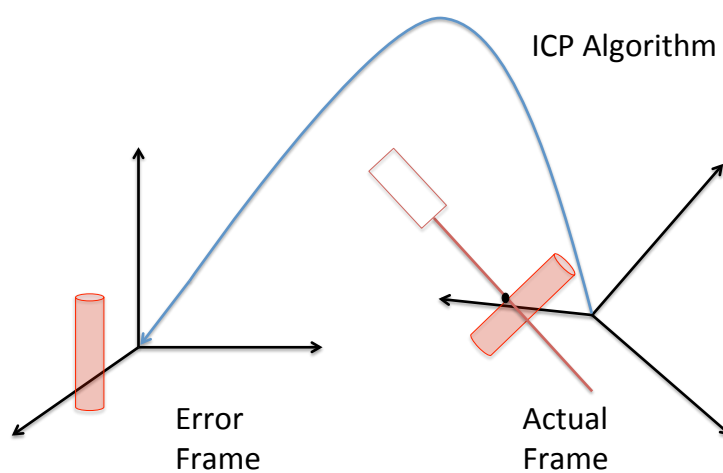

Software and Experimental Setup

- CT scan of phantom
- Manual segmentation of artery to generate surface model
- Fiducials will give paired points with StealthStation
- Register CT Image to StealthStation
- This transformation will be treated as "actual"
- Introduce artificial error in CT to StealthStation transformation (incorrect frame)
- Use "laser" to find distance between tip and artery surface model in the actual frame
- Run ICP algorithm to transform those points to the surface model in incorrect frame (fixed transformation)
- **Compare error values from fixed transformation with actual transformation**

Progress: Phase 2 – Experimental Design

- Registration of image to StealthStation
- Use pointer tool to determine laser tip and line
- Find intersection of laser with surface model in actual frame
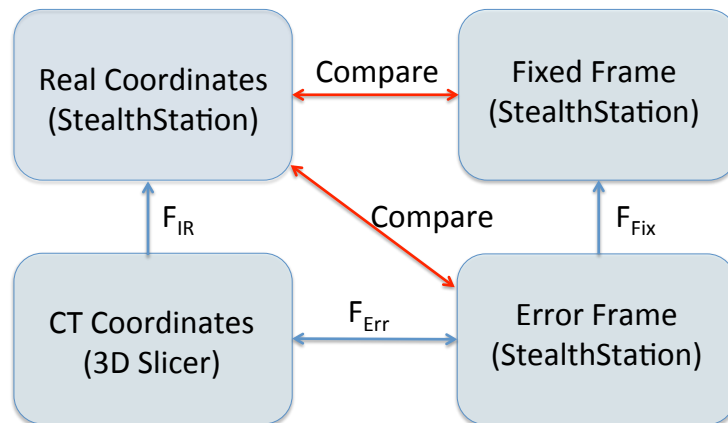- Use points to find F_{Fix}

Points from laser/ultrasound system

Fixed Frame (StealthStation)

F_{Fix}

CT Coordinates (3D Slicer)

F_{Err}

Error Frame (StealthStation)

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Progress: Phase 2 – Experimental Design

ICP Algorithm

Error Frame
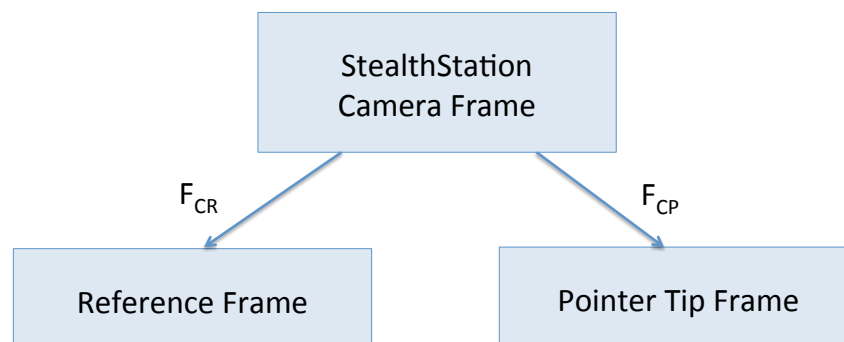
Actual Frame

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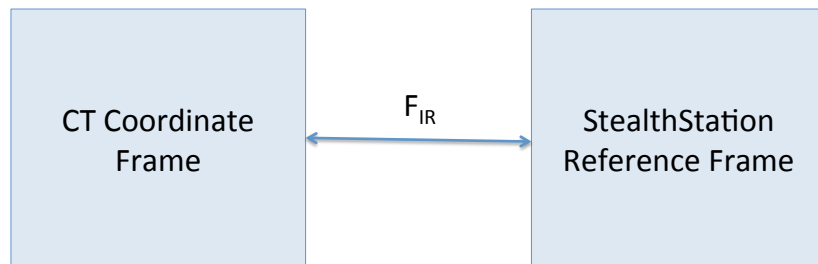
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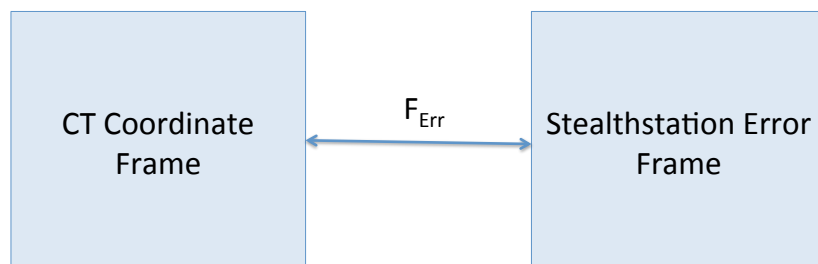

Progress: Phase 2 – Software

- Use reference frame coordinates (not camera)
- Input: F_{CR} and F_{CT} (given by StealthStation)
- Output: $F_{CR}^{-1} * F_{CT}$ to register tip to frame

Progress: Phase 2 – Software

| CT Coordinate Frame | $\xleftrightarrow{F_{IR}}$ | StealthStation Reference Frame |

- Register CT frame to Stealthstation frame
- Input: fiducials will give paired points
- Output: F_{IR} using Arun's Method

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Progress: Phase 2 – Software

| CT Coordinate Frame | $\xleftrightarrow{F_{Err}}$ | Stealthstation Error Frame |

- Introduce artificial error in the transformation
- Input: N/A
- Output: Random rotation and translation

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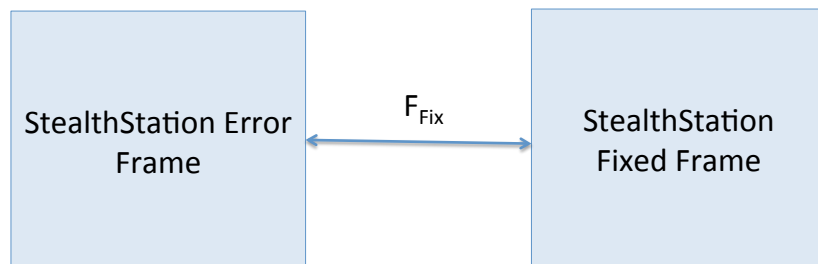
- Use an ICP algorithm to transform points from PAI onto the surface model (segmented in 3D slicer)
- Input: surface model of artery (CT coordinate frame) and actual points on artery (actual frame)
- Output: transformation that fixes introduced error

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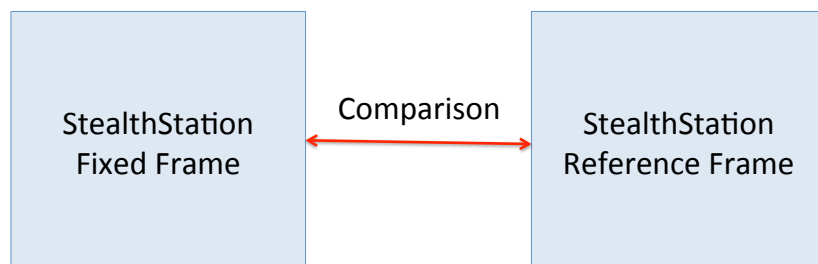
- Calculate error with respect to reference frame
- Input: $F_{Err} * F_{Fix}$ and F_{IR}
- Output: Error values
- Conclude if PAI system is feasible in reducing error

Status of Deliverables (Minimum)

Deliverable	Status
Simple simulation of photo-acoustic imaging based on tracked location of hand-held tool and probe with respect to anatomy (Without Neuromate® robot)	Complete
Registration using intraoperative imaging	On track
Experiments with simple foam block and rubber tubing	On track

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Status of Deliverables (Expected)

Deliverable	Status
Or: Simple simulation of photo-acoustic imaging based on tracked location of tool (with Neuromate® robot) and probe with respect to anatomy	Preferred expected deliverable

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Status of Deliverables (Maximum)

Deliverable	Status
More realistic simulation of photo-acoustic imaging based on tracked location of hand-held tool with respect to anatomy using the Matlab package kwave	Shifted from expected
Real-time visualization in 3D slicer	New
Implementation of virtual fixture in our framework	New

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Resolved Dependencies

Dependency	Date	Resolution/Plan	Consequences
1) Access to labs in Hackerman	02/23	Waiting for approval	Resolved
2) Access to robotorium svn repository	02/23	Already obtained access Dr. Kazanzides will be introducing us to the repository early next week.	Resolved
3) Tutorials for ultrasound/K-wave	03/01	First tutorial on Go through examples on K-wave website	Resolved
4) Learn to use navigation system, CISST Library, 3D slicer	03/01	Go through tutorials	Resolved
6) Access to a computational platform	03/01	Two alternatives: 1) Shared computer in lab (Nishikant), 2) Server (Anton)	Resolved

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Anticipated Dependencies

Dependency	Date	Resolution/Plan	Consequences
5) CT scan of phantom	04/01	Dr. Kazanzides has access to a 20cm by 20cm CT scan and we have spoken to him about using it in the coming week	Cannot perform experiments (expected)
7) Access to NeuroMate ® Robot	04/01	Dr. Kazanzides will be moving it to the Homewood campus in the coming week	Cannot perform experiments (expected)
8) Learn to integrate CISST and 3DSlicer through OpenIGTLink	04/01	Tutorials on www.slicer.org/ slicerWiki	Cannot visualize experiments (maximum)

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Next Steps

- Build phantom
- Get CT Scan
- Implement software design
- Test and debug software design
- Set-up and run experiments **(EXPECTED)**
- Incorporate Neuromate® into experiments
- Real time visualization in 3D slicer **(MAX)**

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Completed Reading List

(Endonasal) Skullbase Surgery

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