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• Asclepios : 3D Segmentation, Simulation Platform, Soft Tissue Modeling

http://www.inria.fr/asclepios

• CardioSense3D : Cardiac Simulation,

http://www.inria.fr/CardioSense3D

•SOFA : Open Software Plateform for Medical Simulation

http://www.sofa-framework.org/

Towards the virtual physiological human

Physically-based simulation of biological tissues

- Biomechanical behavior of biological tissue is very complex
- Most biological tissue is composed of several components :
 - □ Fluids : water or blood
 - Fibrous materials : muscle fiber, neuronal fibers, ...
 - Membranes : interstitial tissue, Glisson capsule
 - □ Parenchyma : liver or brain

To characterize a tissue, its stressstrain relationship is studied



Linear Elastic Material

- Simplest Material behaviour
- Only valid for small deformations (less than 5%)





Biological Tissue

Many complex phenomena arises



Continuum Mechanics



Deformation Function

 X \in \Omega (X) \in \Pi^3
 Displacement Function U(X) = \phi(X) - X



The local deformation is captured by the deformation gradient :



Distance between point may not be preserved



Distance between deformed points $(ds)^{2} = \left\| \phi(X + dX) - \phi(X) \right\|^{2} \approx dX^{T} (\nabla \phi^{T} \nabla \phi) dX$ Right Cauchy-Green Deformation tensor $C = \nabla \phi^{T} \nabla \phi$ Measures the change of metric in the deformed body

- Example : Rigid Bo(dy) motion entails no deformation) = R $C = R^T R = Id$
- Strain tensor captures the amount of deformation

□ It is defined as the "distance between C and the Identity matrix" $E = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla \phi^T \nabla \phi - Id \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(C - Id \right)$

Strain Tensor

- Diagonal Terms : E_i
 - Capture the length variation along the 3 axis



• Off-Diagonal Terms : γ_i

□ Capture the shear effect along the 3 axis



Linearized Strain Tensor

• Use displacent rather than deformation $E = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla U + \nabla U^T + \nabla U^T \nabla U \right)$

• Assume small displacements $E_{Lin} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\nabla U + \nabla U^T \right)$

Hyperelastic Energy

The energy required to deform a body is a function of the invariants of strain tensor E :

$$\Box$$
 Trace E = I₁

 \Box Trace E*E= I₂

 \Box Determinant of E = I₃



$$W(\phi) = \int_{\Omega} w(I_1, I_2, I_3) dX$$
 Total Elastic Energy

Linear ElasticityIsotropic Energy

$$w(X) = \frac{\lambda}{2} (tr E_{Lin})^2 + \mu tr E_{Lin}^2$$

 (λ, μ) : Lamé coefficients

Hooke's Law

- w(X) : density of elastic energy
- Advantage :

Quadratic function of displacement

$$w = \frac{\lambda}{2} (div U)^2 + \mu \left\| \nabla U \right\|^2 - \frac{\mu}{2} \left\| rot U \right\|^2$$

Drawback :

Not invariant with respect to global rotation

Extension for anisotropic materials

Shortcomings of linear elasticity

Non valid for « large rotations and displacements »



St-Venant Kirchoff Elasticity Isotropic Energy $w(X) = \frac{\lambda}{2} (tr E)^2 + \mu tr E^2$

(λ, μ) : Lamé coefficients

Advantage :

□ Generalize linear elasticity

Invariant to global rotations

Drawback :

Poor behavior in compression

Quartic function of displacement

Extension for anisotropic materials



Other Hyperelastic Material

$$w(X) = \frac{\mu}{2}trE + f(I_3)$$

Neo-Hookean Model

Fung Isotropic Model

$$w(X) = \frac{\mu}{2}e^{trE} + f(I_3)$$

$$w(X) = \frac{\mu}{2}e^{trE} + \frac{k_1}{k_2}\left(e^{k_2(I_4-1)} - 1\right) + f(I_3)$$

Fung Anisotropic Model

$$w(X) = c_1 \left(e^{\gamma trE} \right) + c_2 trE^2 + f(I_3)$$

Veronda-Westman

$$w(X) = c_{10}trE + c_{01}trE^{2} + f(I_{3})$$

Mooney-Rivlin :

Estimating material parameters

- Complex for biological tissue :
 - Heterogeneous and anisotropic materials
 - Tissue behavior changes between in-vivo and in-vitro
 - Ethics clearance for performing experimental studies
 - Effect of preconditioning
 - Potential large variability across population

Different possible methods
 In vitro rheology
 In vivo rheology
 Elastometry
 Solving Inverse problems

Un vitro rheology

 \Box can be performed in a laboratory.



Technique is mature





- In vivo rheology
 - can provide stress/strain relationships at
 - several locations
 - Influence of boundary conditions not well

under



Source : Cimit. Boston USA

Iastometry (MR, Ultrasound)

Fibroscan

mesure property inside any organ non invasively

validati



Source Echosens, Paris

verse Problems



well-suited for surgery simulation (computational approach)



- Still difficult to find "reliable" soft tissue material parameters
- Example : Liver soft tissue characterization

First Author	Experimental Technique	Liver Origin	Young
			Modulus (kPa)
Yamashita [111]	Image-Based	Human	Not Available
Brown [15]	in-vivo	Porcine Liver	≈ 80
Carter [17]	in-vivo	Human Liver	≈ 170
Dan [27]	ex- $vivo$	Porcine Liver	≈ 10
Liu [62, 61]	ex- $vivo$	Bovine Liver	Not Available
Nava [76]	in-vivo	Porcine Liver	≈ 90
Miller [74]	in-vivo	Porcine Liver	Not Available
Sakuma [92]	ex- $vivo$	Bovine Liver	Not Available

Table 2: List of published articles providing some quantitative data about the biomechanical properties of the liver.

Discretisation techniques

Four main approaches :
 Volumetric Mesh Based
 Surface Mesh Based
 Meshless
 Particles



Structured vs Unstructured meshes

Example 1 : Liver meshed with hexahedra

3 months work (courtesy of ESI)



Example 2: Liver meshed with tetrahedra

Automatically generated (1s)

Volumetric Mesh Discretization

Classical Approaches :

 Finite Element Method (weak form)
 Rayleigh Ritz Method (variational form)
 Finite Volume Method (conservation eq.)
 Finite Differences Method (strong form)

 FEM, RRM, FVM are equivalent when using linear elements

- Step1 : Choose
 - □ Finite Element (e.g. linear tetrahedron)
 - Mesh discrediting the domain of computation
 - Hyperelastic Material with its parameters
 - Boundary Conditions



4 nodes



$$w(X) = \frac{\lambda}{2} (tr E)^2 + \mu tr E^2$$

Young Modulus Poisson Coefficient



• Step3

$$W(U) \stackrel{\text{Sumftoget the total elastic}}{\longrightarrow} M_{n_{i}} \stackrel{\text{Sumftoget total elastic}}{\longrightarrow} M_{n_{i}} \stackrel{\text{Sumftog$$

Write the conservation of energy
$$W(U) = F^T U + \int_{\Omega} \rho(X) (X \cdot g) dX$$
Internal
EnergyNodal
ForcesGravity Potential Energy



HyperElasticity=NonLinear ElasticityK(U) = RStatic case $M\ddot{U} + C\dot{U} + K(U) = R(t)$ Dynamic case

Surface-Based Methods

- Only consider the mesh surface under some hypothesis :
 - □ Linear Elastic Material (sometimes homogeneous)
 - □ Only interact with organ surface
- Pros :
 - □ No need to produce volumetric meshes
 - □ Much faster than volumetric computation
- Cons :
 - Only linear material
 - □ No cutting

Surface-Based Methods

Possible approaches :

□ Boundary Element Models (BEM)

- Based on the Green Function of the linear elastic operator
- Requires homogeneous material
- Matrix Condensation
 - Full Matrix inversion
- □ Iterative Precomputed Generation
 - Solve 3*Ns equations F=KU

Other Methods

Meshless Methods

- Use only points inside and specific shape functions
- □ Can better optimize location of DOFs
- □ Can cope with large deformations
- □ Deformation accuracy unknown

Particles

Smooth Particles Hydrodynamics that interact based on a state equation

Dynamic evolution and numerical integration

Dynamic evolution

- □ Discrete models = lumped mass particles submitted to forces
- \Box Newtonian evolution (1st order differential system):

 $\delta P = V.dt$ $\delta V = M^{-1}F(P,V).dt$

Explicit schemes:

• Euler:
$$\begin{cases} \delta P = V_t . dt \\ \delta V = M^{-1} F(P_t, V_t) . dt \end{cases}$$

• Runge-Kutta: several evaluations to better extrapolate the new state [press92] \rightarrow Unstable for large time-step !!

Semi-Implicit schemes:

• Euler:
$$\begin{cases} \delta P = V_{t+dt} . dt \\ \delta V = M^{-1} F(P_t, V_t) . dt \end{cases}$$

 $\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{P}_{t+dt} = 2\mathbf{P}_t - \mathbf{P}_{t-dt} + \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{P}_t, \mathbf{V}_t) \cdot dt^2 \\ \mathbf{V}_{t+dt} = (\mathbf{P}_{t+dt} - \mathbf{P}_t) dt^{-1} \end{cases}$

■ Verlet [teschner04]

Evolution

- □ Implicit schemes [terzopoulos87], [baraff98], [desbrun99], [volino01], [hauth01]
 - First-order expansion of the force:

$$F(P_{t+dt}, V_{t+dt}) \approx F(P_t, V_t) + \frac{\partial F}{\partial P} \delta P + \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \delta V$$

• Euler implicit

$$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \delta P = V_{t+dt} \cdot dt \\ \delta V = H^{-1}Y \end{cases}$$
 with
$$\begin{aligned} H = I - M^{-1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} dt - M^{-1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial P} dt^2 \\ Y = M^{-1} F(P_t, V_t) + M^{-1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial P} V_t dt^2 \end{aligned}$$

Backward differential formulas (BDF) : Use of previous states

 \rightarrow Unconditionally stable for any time-step

- ... But requires the inversion of a large sparse system
 - □ Choleski decomposition + relaxation
 - □ Conjugate gradient
 - □ Speed and accuracy can be improve through preconditioning (alteration of **H**)

Towards Realistic Interactive Simulation

- Surgery Simulation must cope with several difficult technical issues :
 - □ Soft Tissue Deformation
 - Collision Detection
 - Collision Response
 - Haptics Rendering
- Real-time Constraints :
 - □ 25Hz for visual rendering
 - □ 300-1000 Hz for haptic rendering

Example of Soft Tissue Models

	Pre-computed Elastic Model	Tensor-Mass and Relaxation-based Model	Non-Linear Tensor-Mass Model
Computational Efficiency	+ + +	+	-
Cutting Simulation	-	++	++
Large Displacements	-	-	+

Precomputed linear elastic model



9517 Tetrahedra

Tensor-Mass Models (low resolution)



N = 1394 (6342 Tétraèdres)



Simulation of surgical gestures



Gliding



Gripping



Cutting (pliers)



Cutting (US)



Cardiac Simulation

Pressure Field in the 4 Cardiac Phases: endocardium Filling Isovolumetric Constraint of **Isovolumetric Contraction** myocardium □ Ejection ls Slowed 6 times Aortic pressure VOLUME PRESSURE

2 Volumetric Conditions:

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