

# A Tele-Immersive System for Surgical Consultation and Implant Modeling

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# Introduction

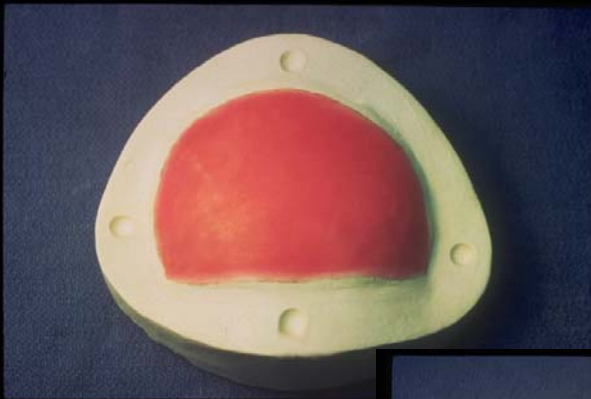
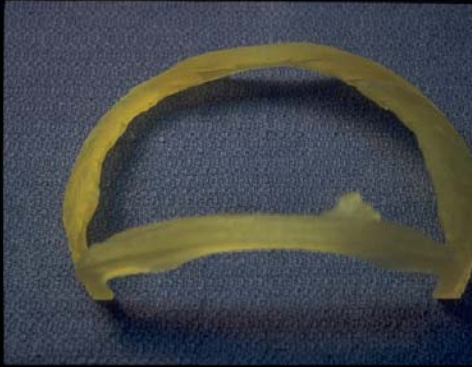
- The number of injuries resulting in large cranial defects is increasing
- It is difficult to assemble the expertise necessary to repair large cranial defects
- Traditional methods
  - Heavily dependent on subjective skills and procedures
  - Poor fit
  - Revisions are needed during the surgical placement of the implant
  - Long operating room times

# Previous Work: Using CT data in a CAD environment

## Steps in 1996 implant production method

- Data acquisition (CT scan)
- Digital modeling
- Stereolithography of "Defect"
- Sculpting of implant form
- Mold-making
- Implant fabrication







# Benefits of 1996 Method

- Operating room time reduced by 2/3
- Reduction of patient stay in hospital  
1-2 days instead of 5-7
- Protection of delicate brain tissue
- Restoration of normal appearance
- Elimination of pain at the defect site
- Improved cognitive function (in some cases)
- In none of the cases was it necessary to alter  
either the defect or implant for a precise fit

# Negatives of 1996 Method

Too many slow/expensive steps in process

- Data Acquisition
- Digital modeling
- Stereolithography of "Defect"
- Sculpting of implant form
- Mold-making
- Implant fabrication
- Consultation between Surgeon, Patient and Modeler is often difficult
- Implants often take weeks to produce

# Strategy

- Advanced networks
- Advanced visualization techniques
- Computer-controlled rapid prototyping systems

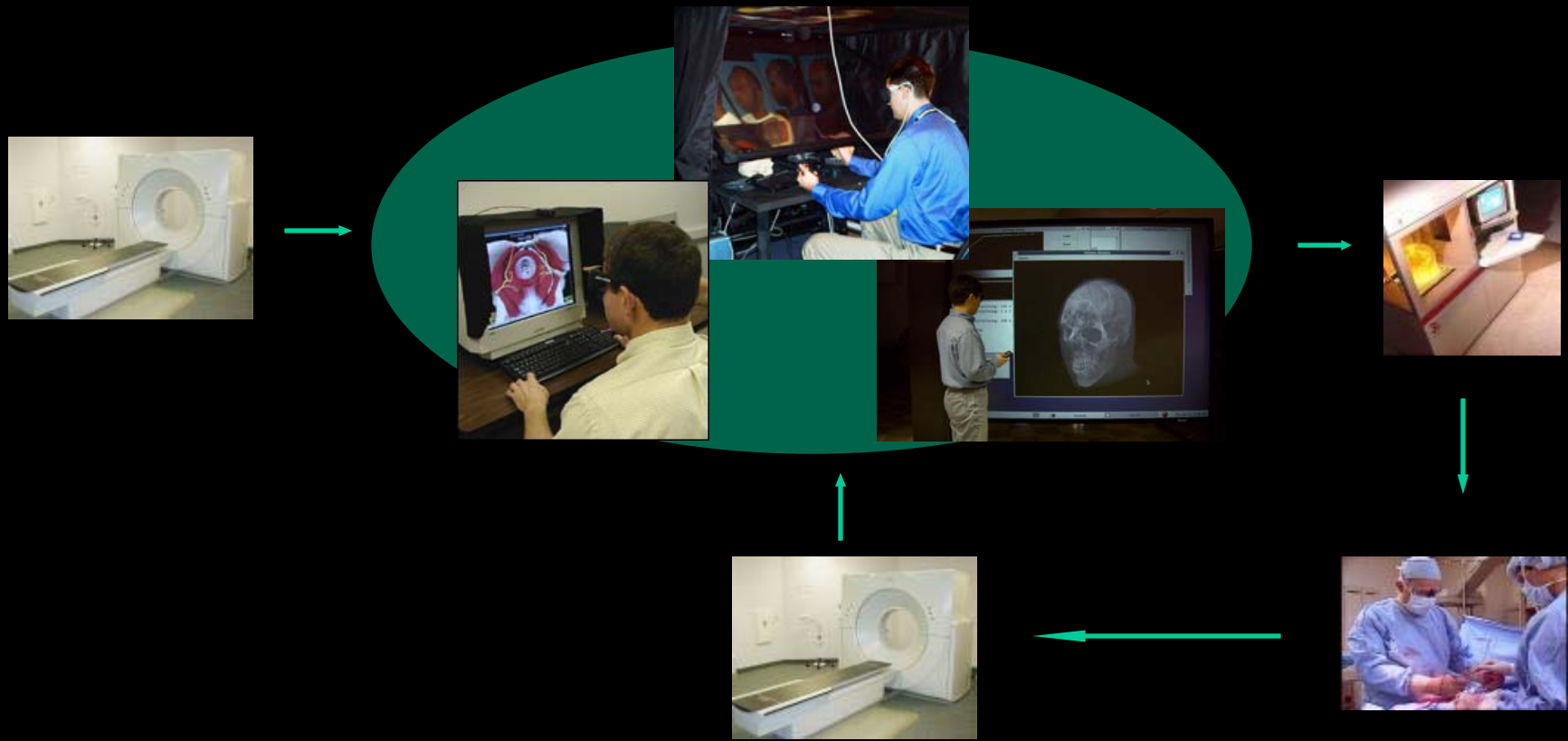
# General Approach

Networked tele-immersive  
collaborative surgical system

- Surgical pre-planning, consultation
- Implant design
- Post operative evaluation and education



# General Approach



# Components

- Augmented reality implant modeling system
- Modeling software
- Implant design
- Surgical consultation over networks

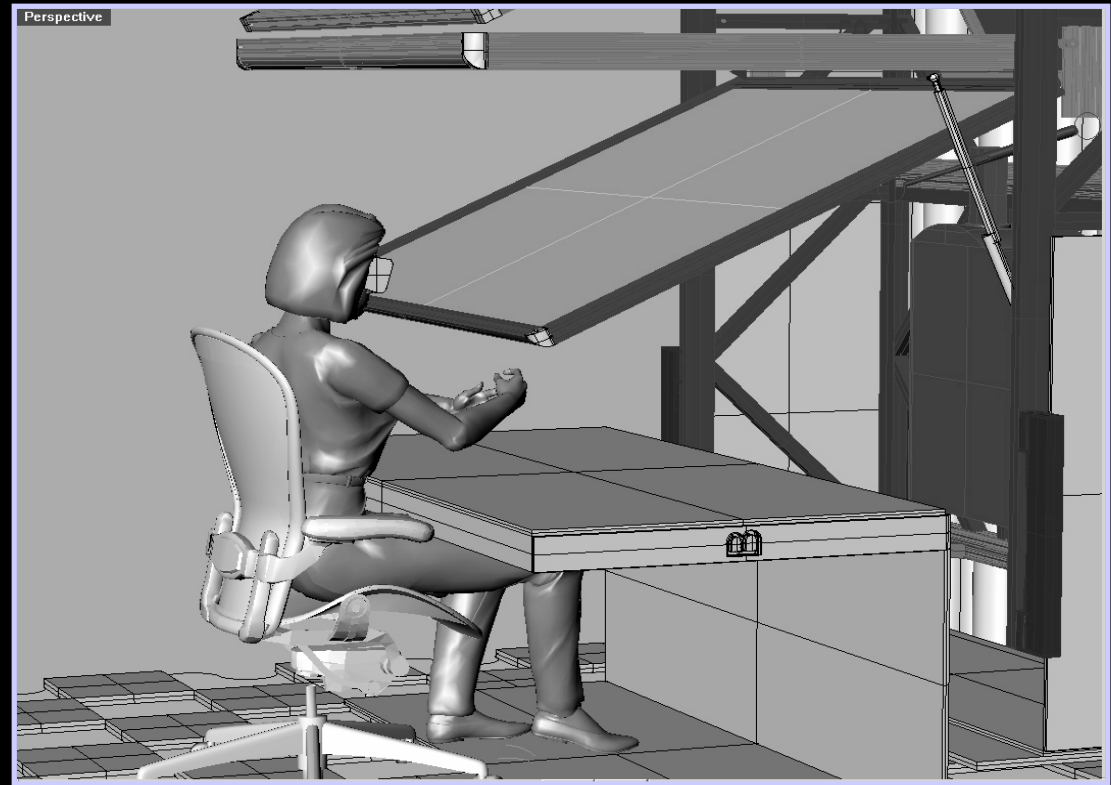


# Implant Modeling System

- To simulate the traditional sculpting workspace
  - Stereo Vision
  - Viewer centered perspective
  - Sense of touch
  - Collaboration

# Personal Augmented Reality Immersive System PARIS™

- Virtual reality
- Augmented reality
- Haptic reality



# PARIS™



# PARIS™



# Components

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# Modeling Software

- Creation of precisely fitting cranial implant
- The specification and design of complex and arbitrary 3D shapes is very difficult
- Shapes are best generated by sculpting procedures in 3D
- 3D visual display
- Sense of touch



# Immersive Implant Modeling With Haptics

- Polygonal Models
- Volumetric models

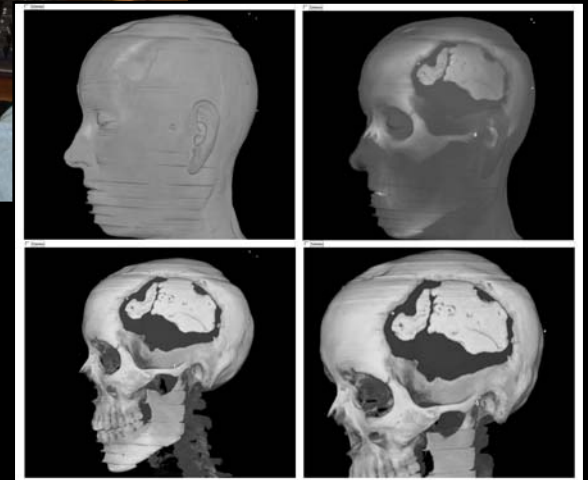
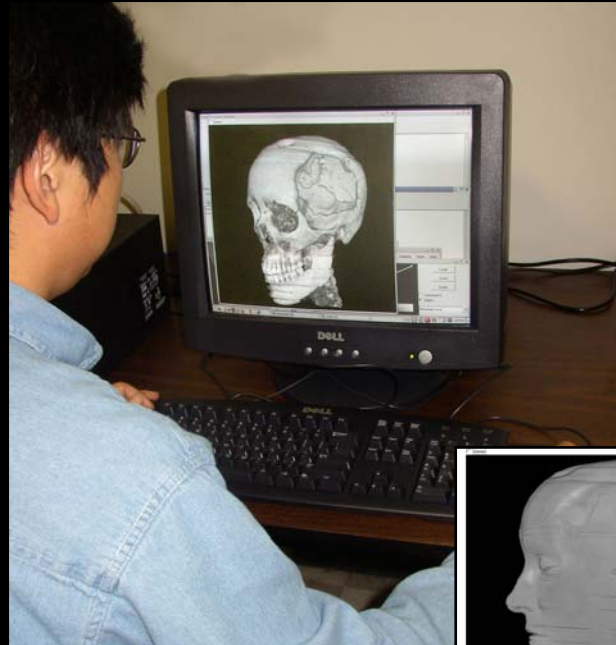
# Immersive Implant Modeling on Volumetric Data With Haptics

- Direct volume rendering
- Proxy-based force feedback algorithm



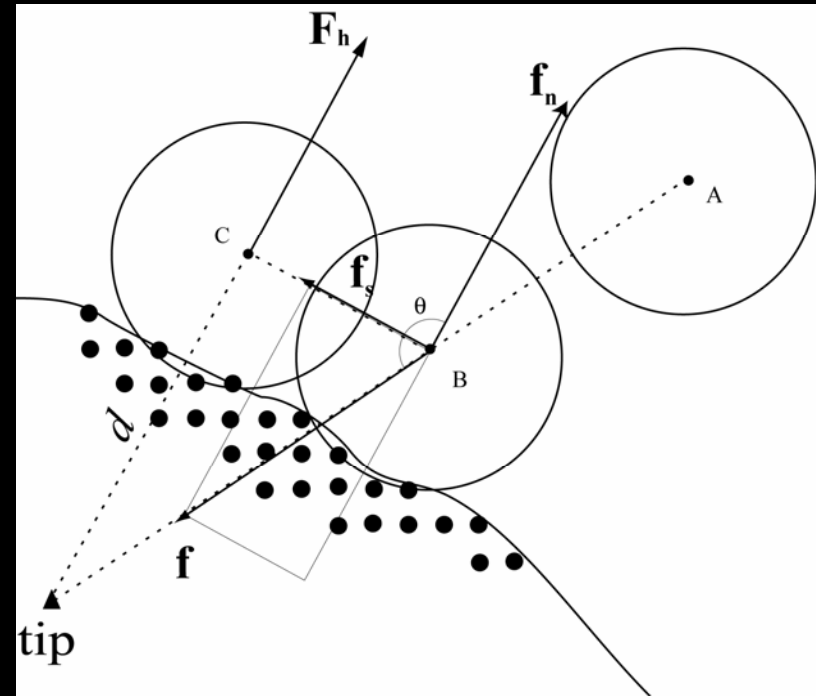
# Direct Volume Rendering

- Visual and haptic feedback latency
- Hardware assisted 3D texture map algorithm
- Level of detail
- Algorithm optimization



# Haptic Rendering

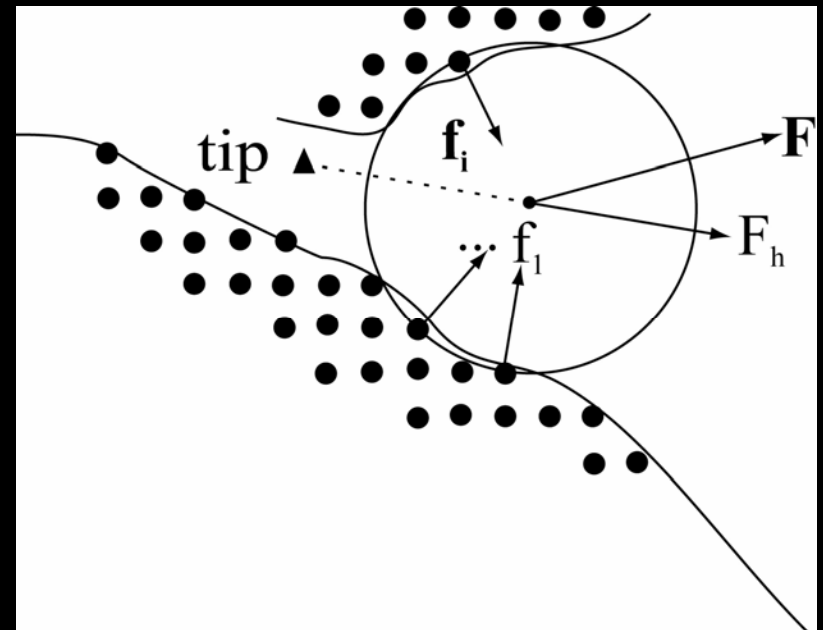
- Tool is not allowed to penetrate the bone
- $F_h = -kd$
- Movement of the Proxy
  - moves straight to the tip point before it reaches the object (A to B)
  - moves on the surface of the object perpendicular to the surface normal (B to C)



# Haptic Rendering

- Spherical proxy
- Force Calculation

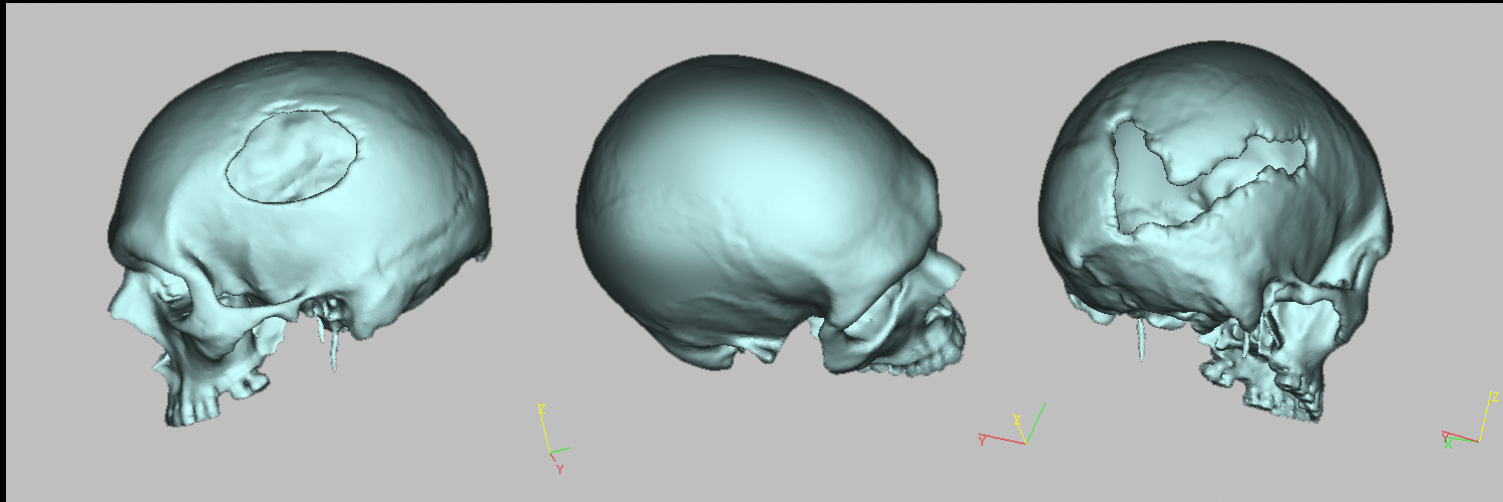
$$F = \sum f_i$$



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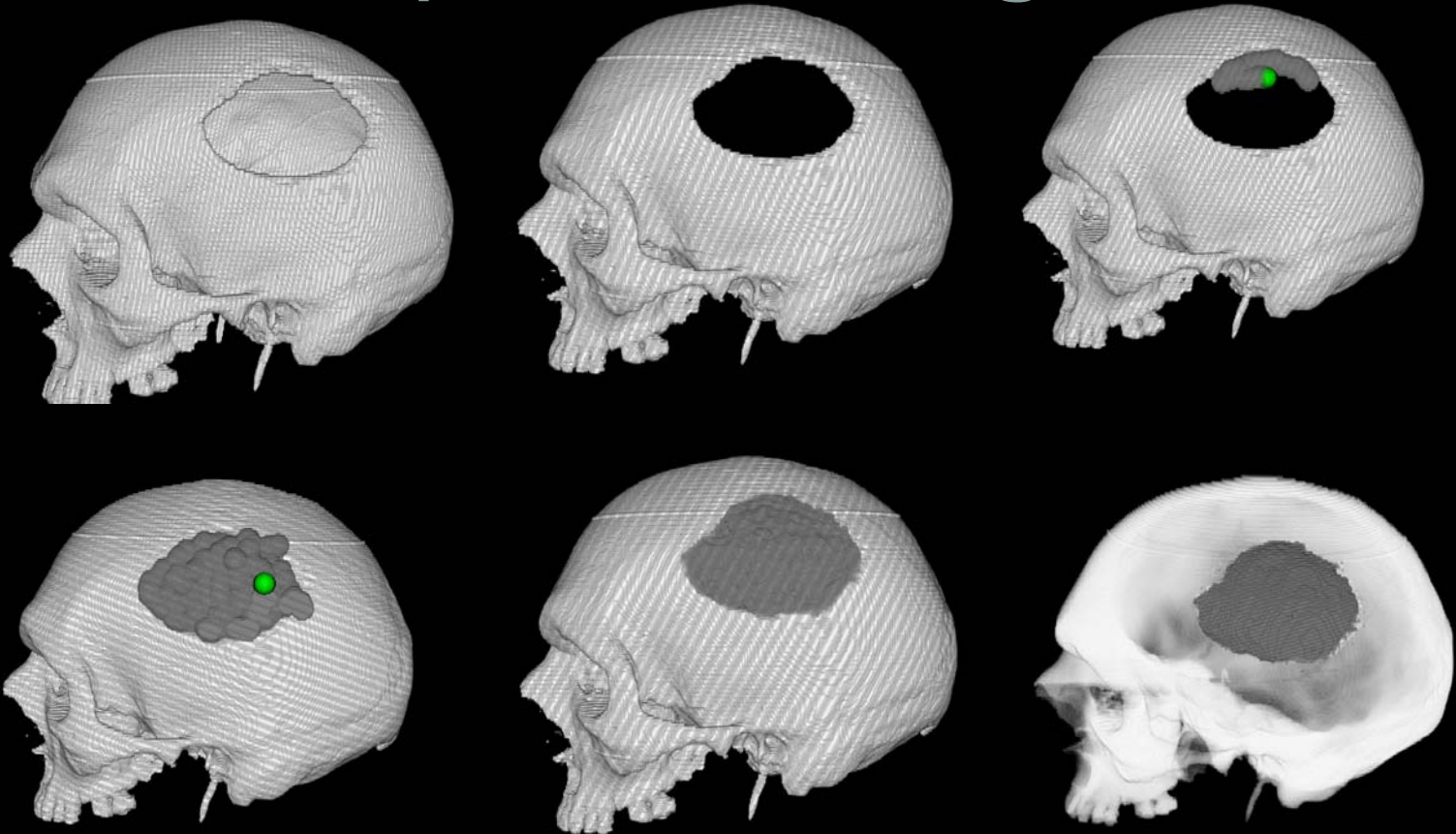
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- Modeling software
- **Implant design**
- Surgical consultation over networks

# Implant Design



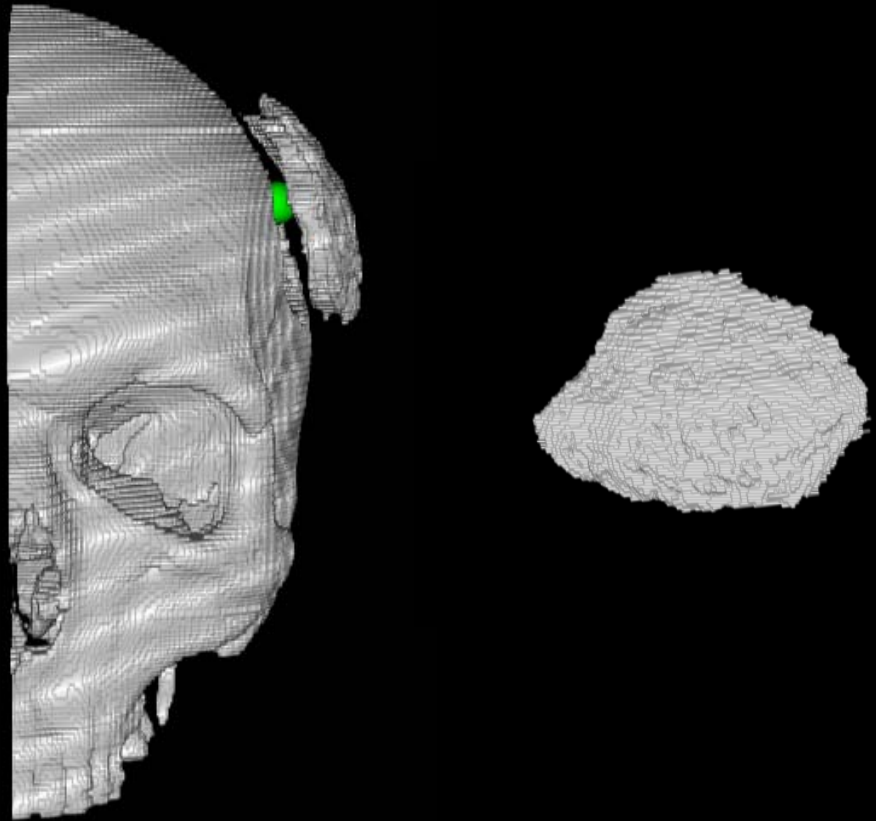
- Simulated defect

# Implant Design



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- Edge trimming

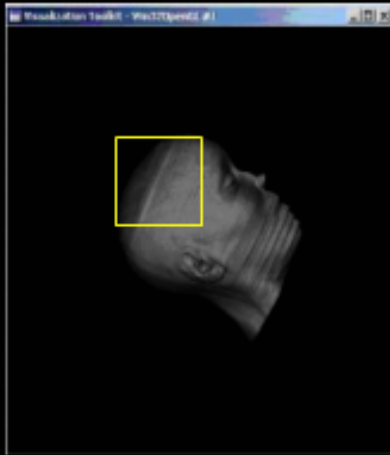




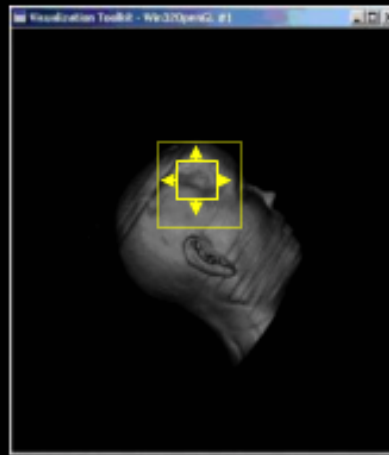


# Bilateral Symmetry of the Skull

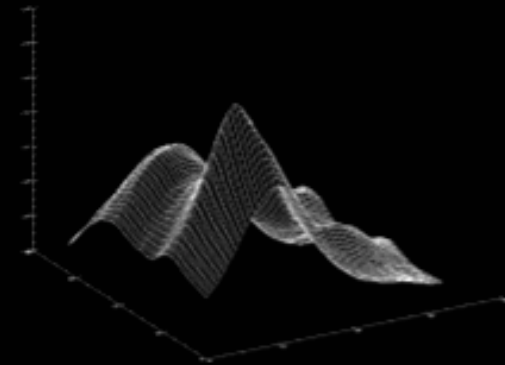
Research area



template



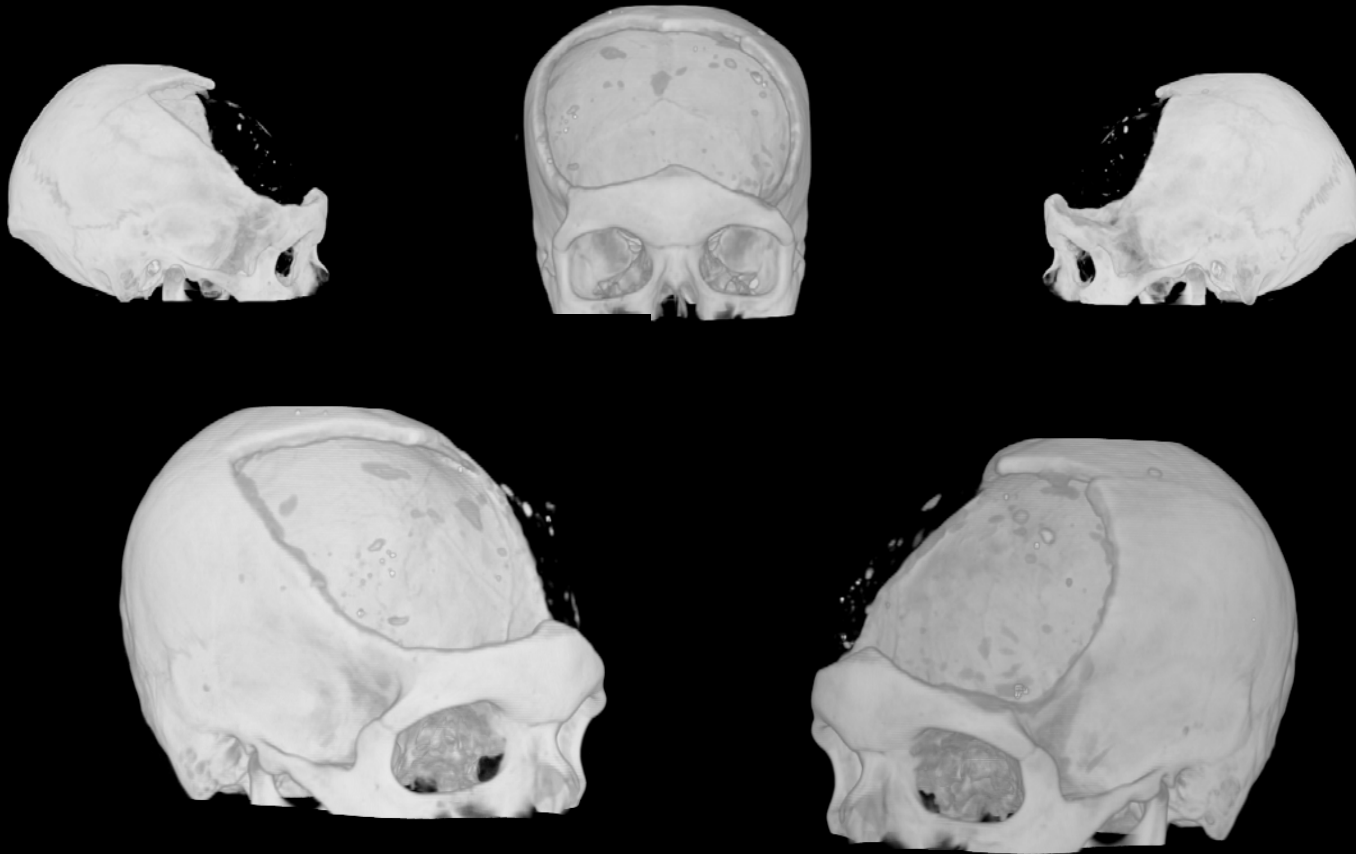
Cost function



- Split the skull at a symmetric plane
- Registration (translation, rotation, warping)
- Subtraction

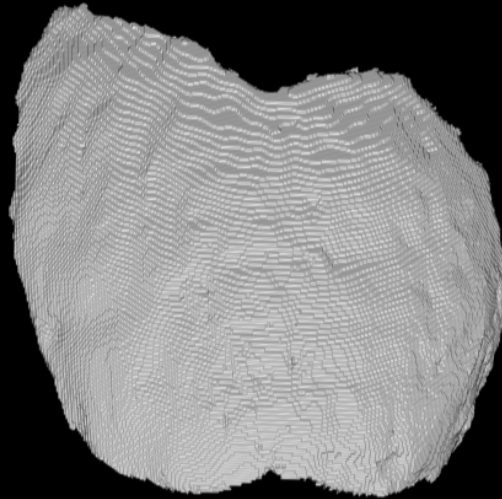
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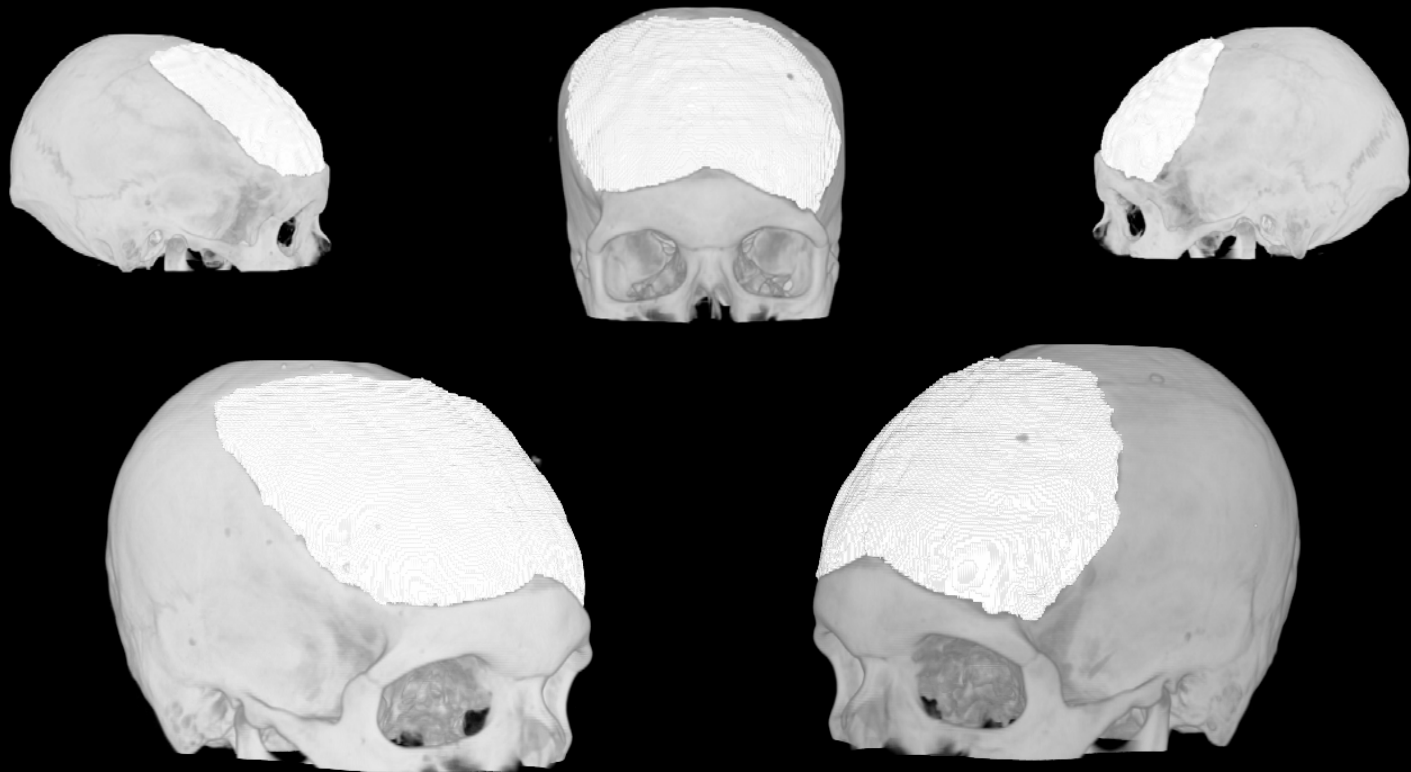
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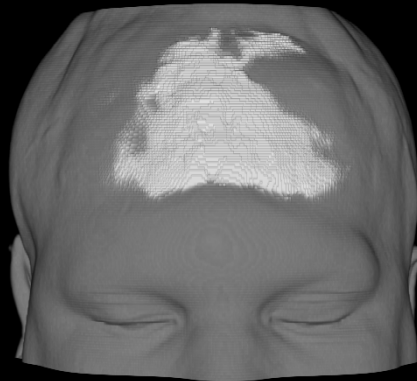
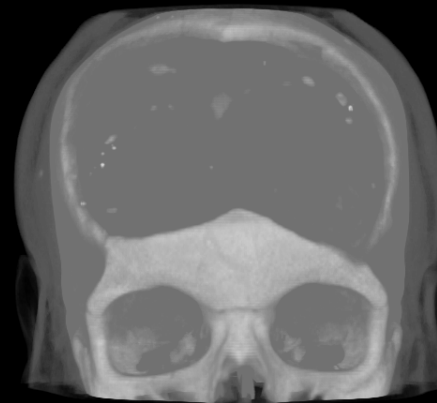
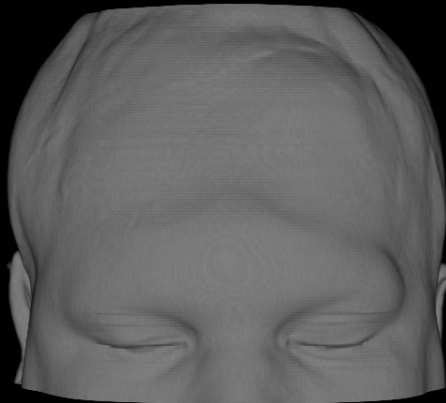
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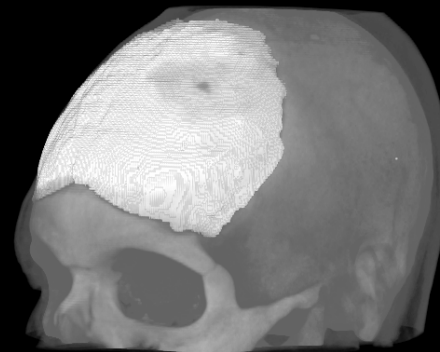
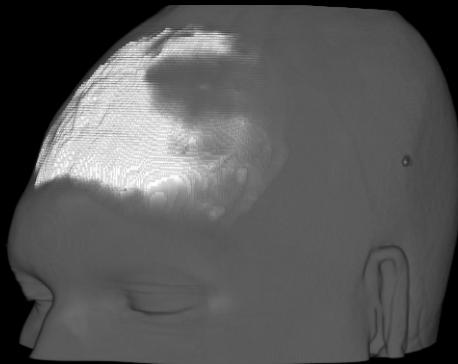
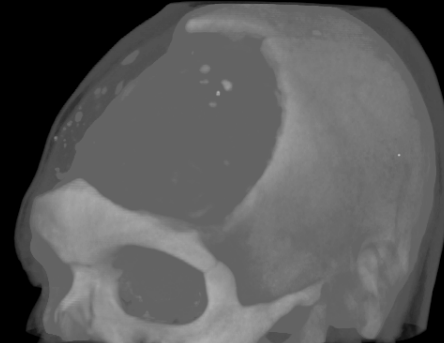
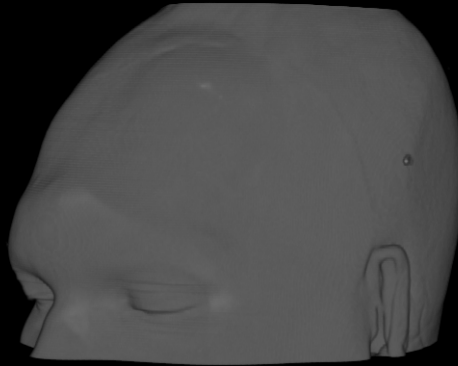
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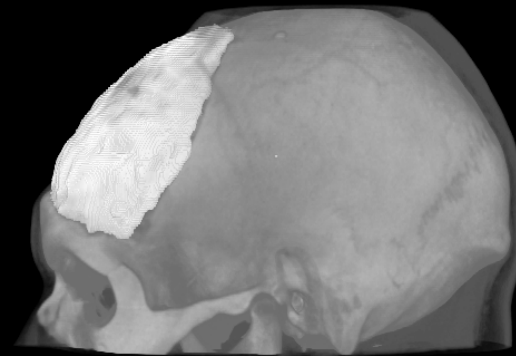
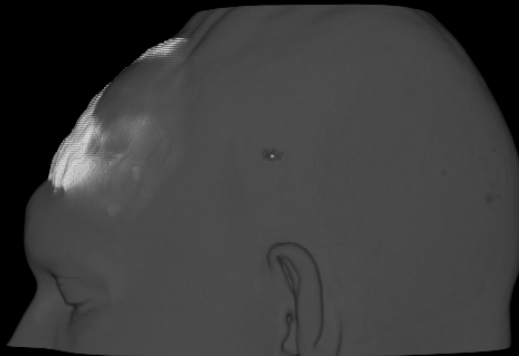
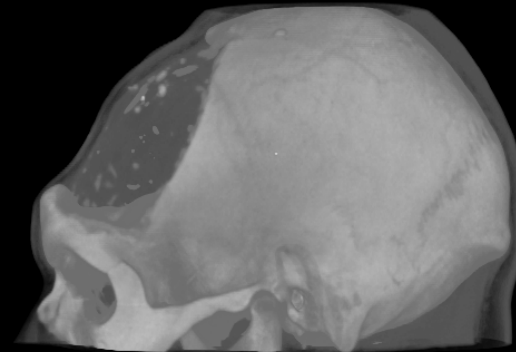
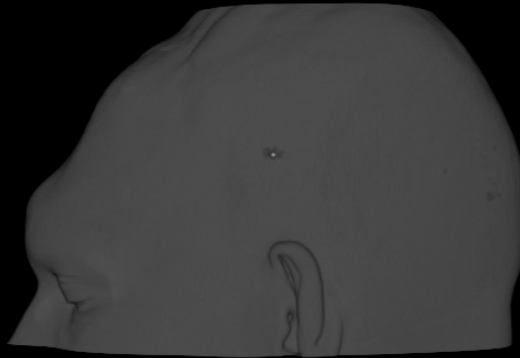
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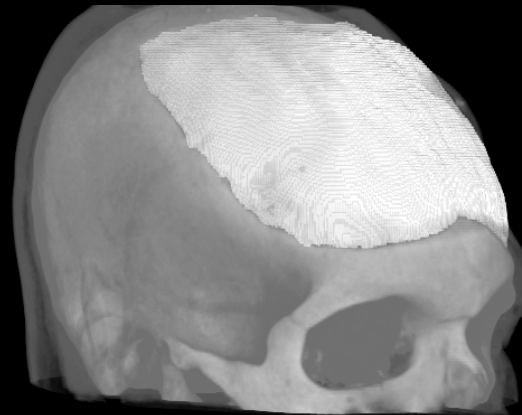
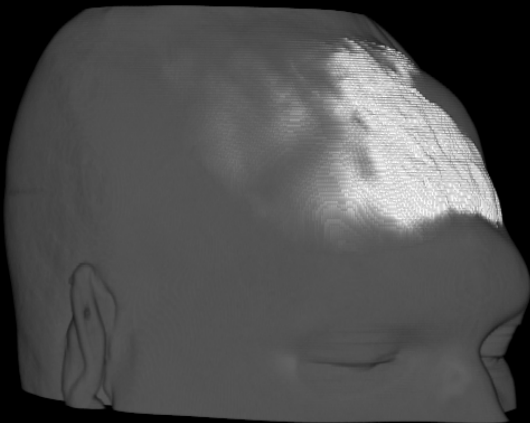
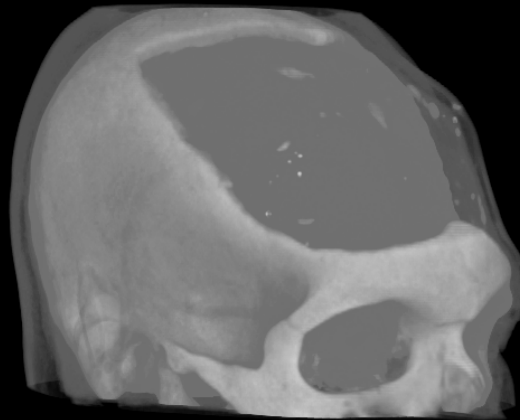
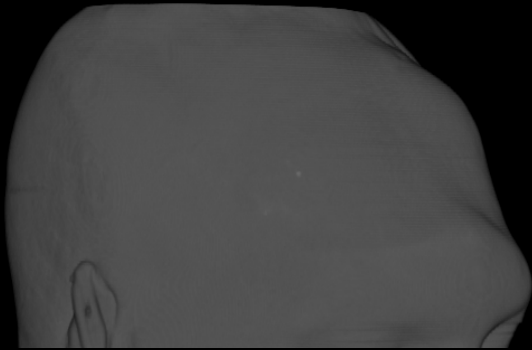
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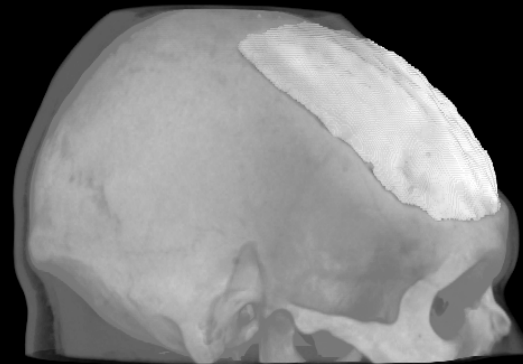
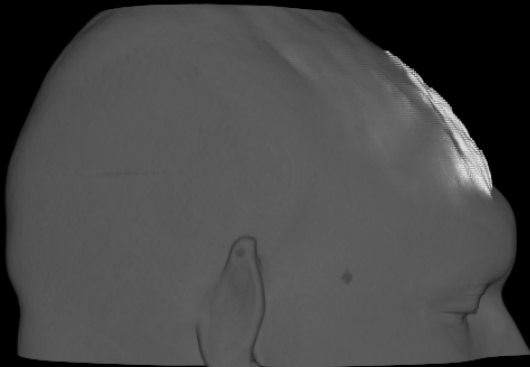
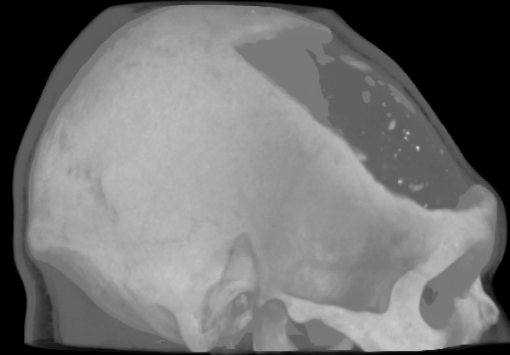
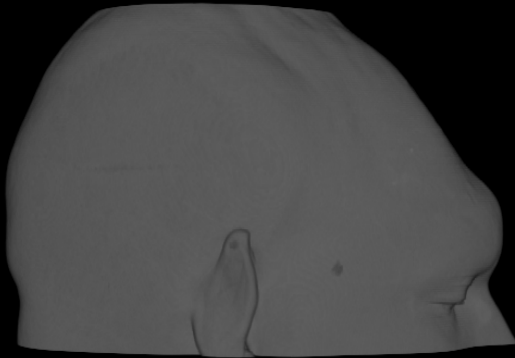
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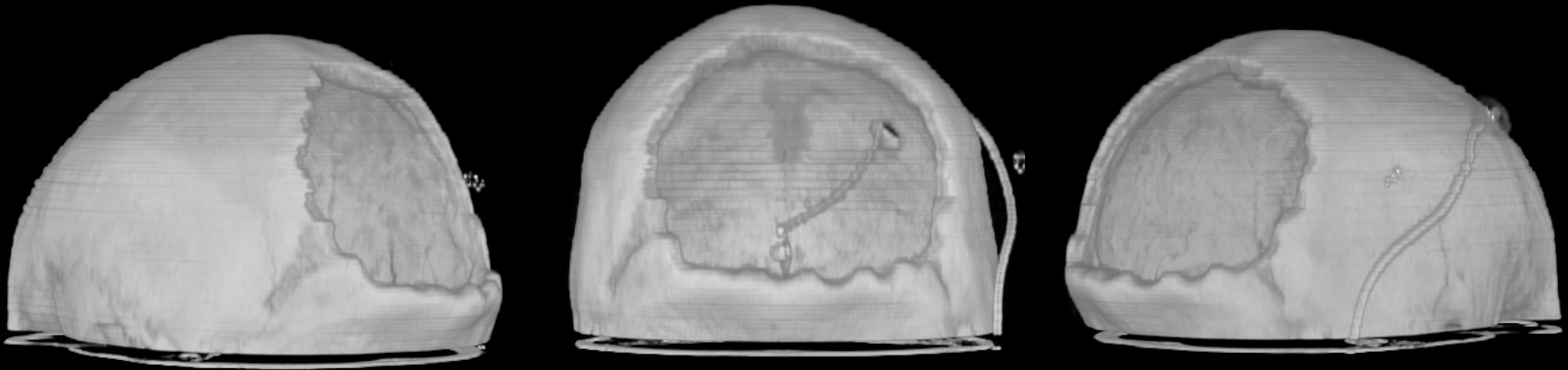
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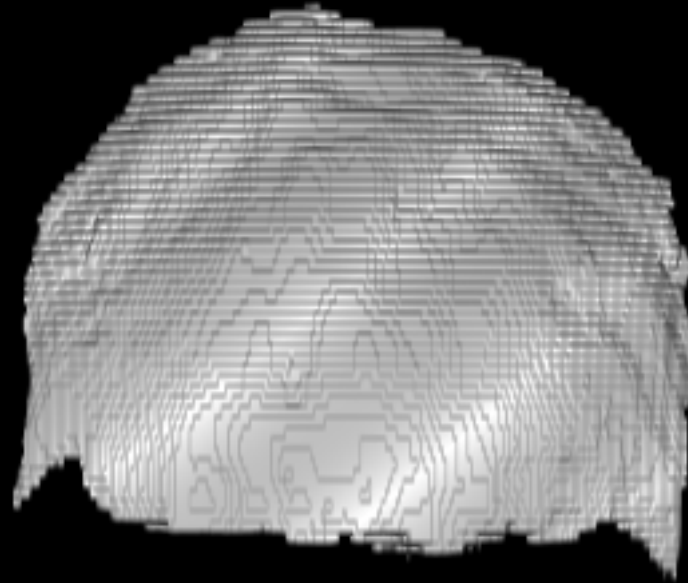
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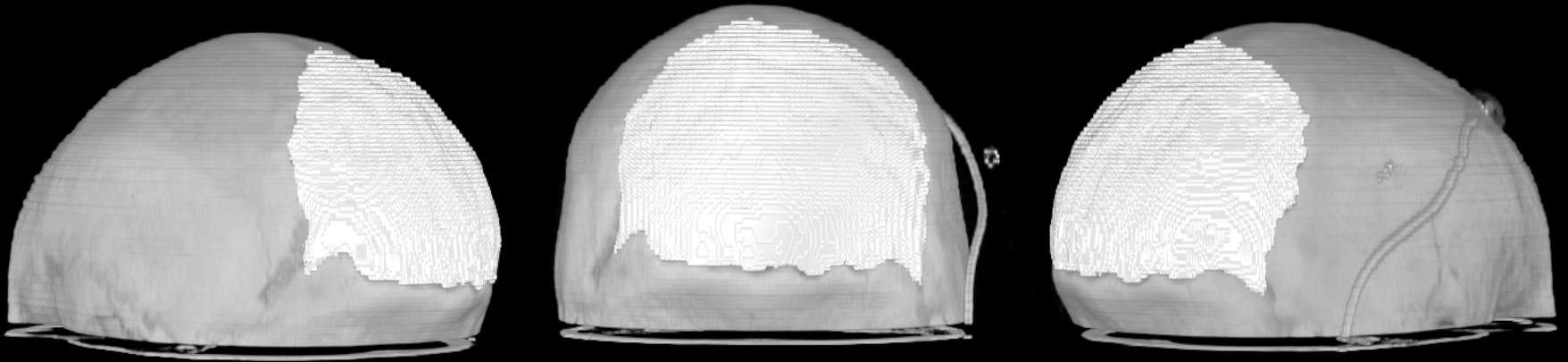
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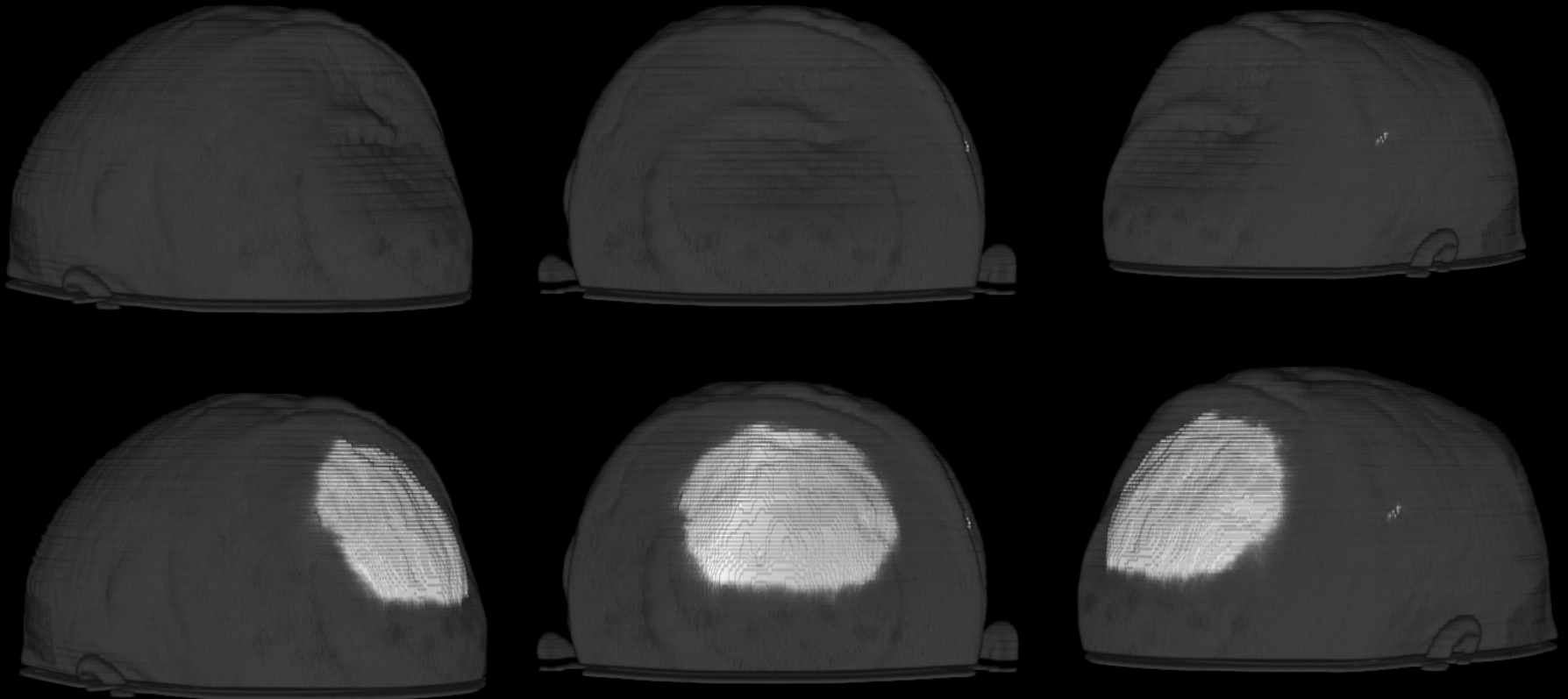
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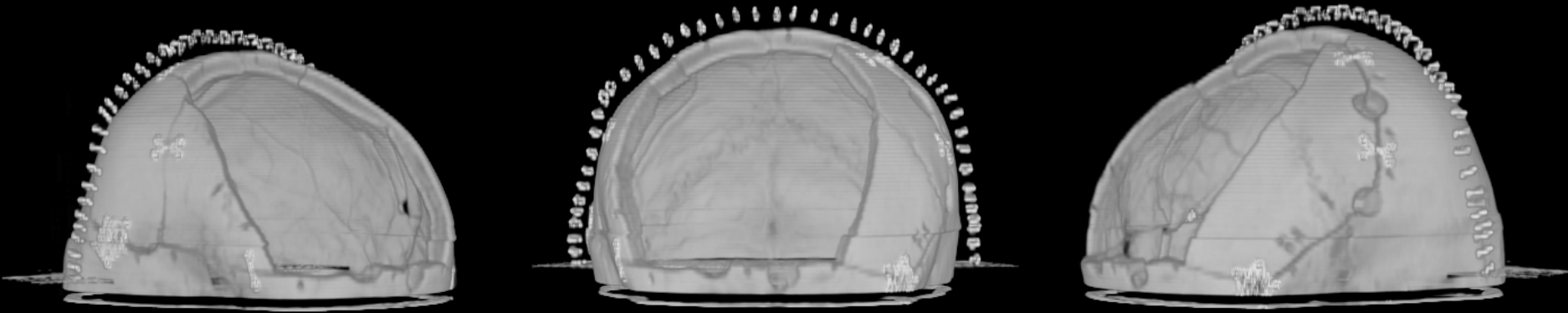
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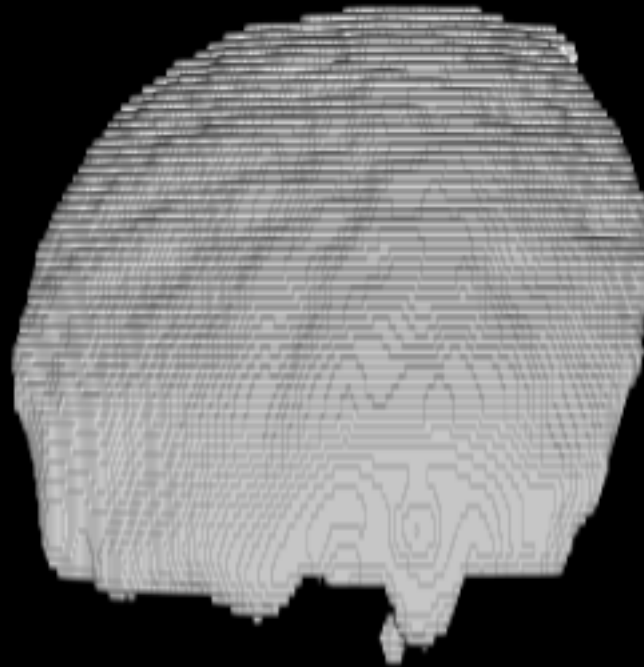
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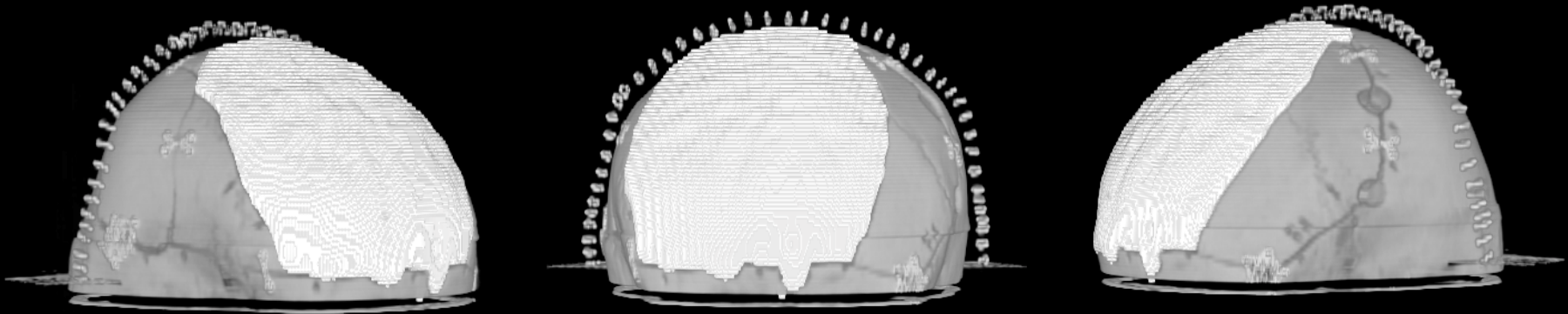
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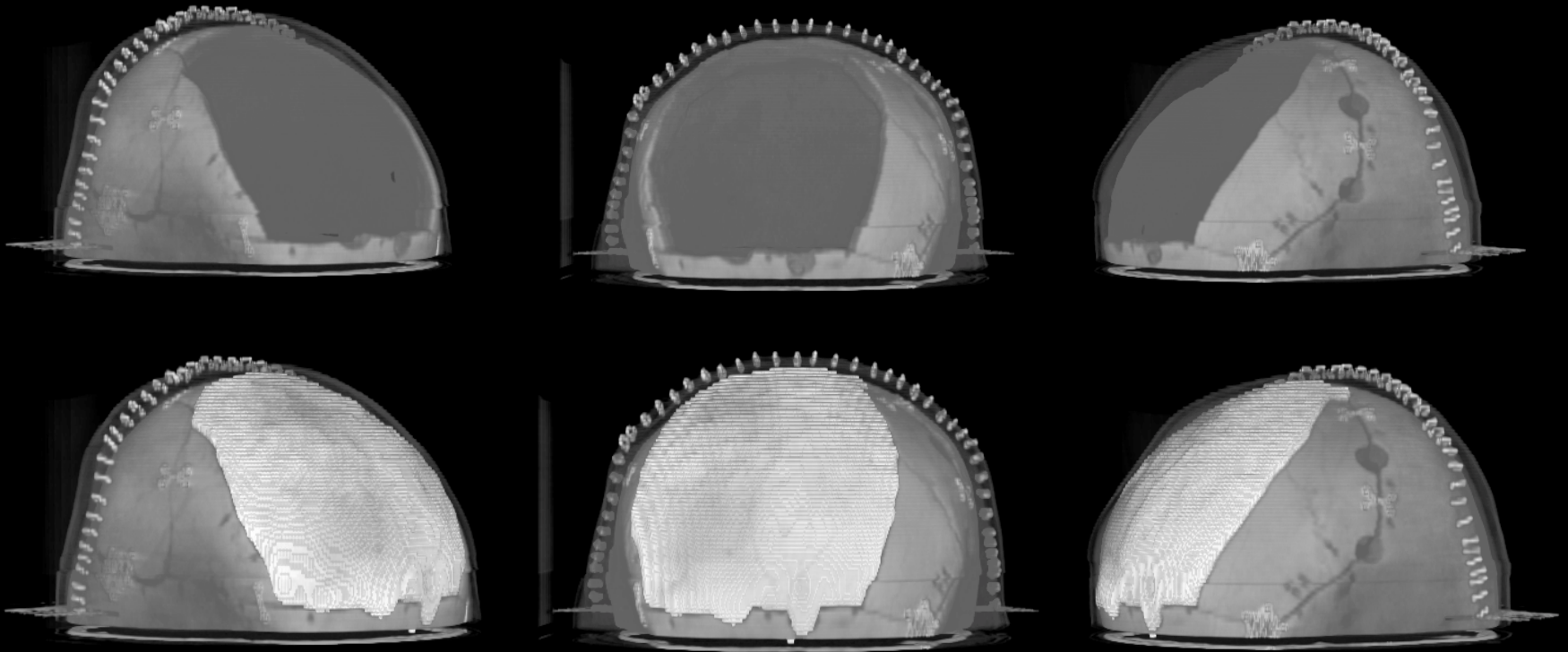
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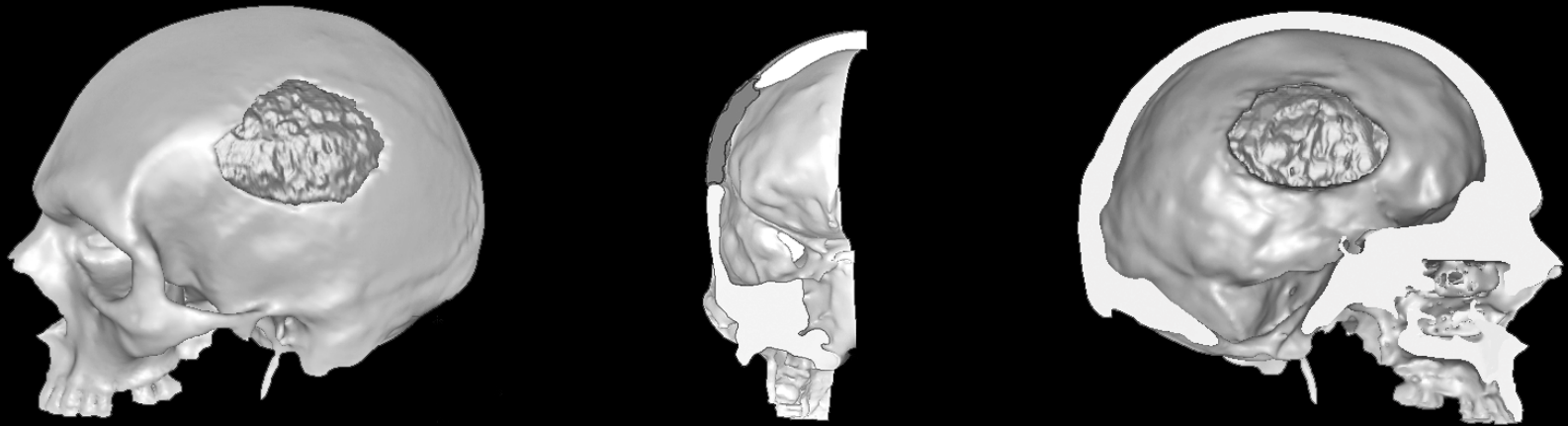


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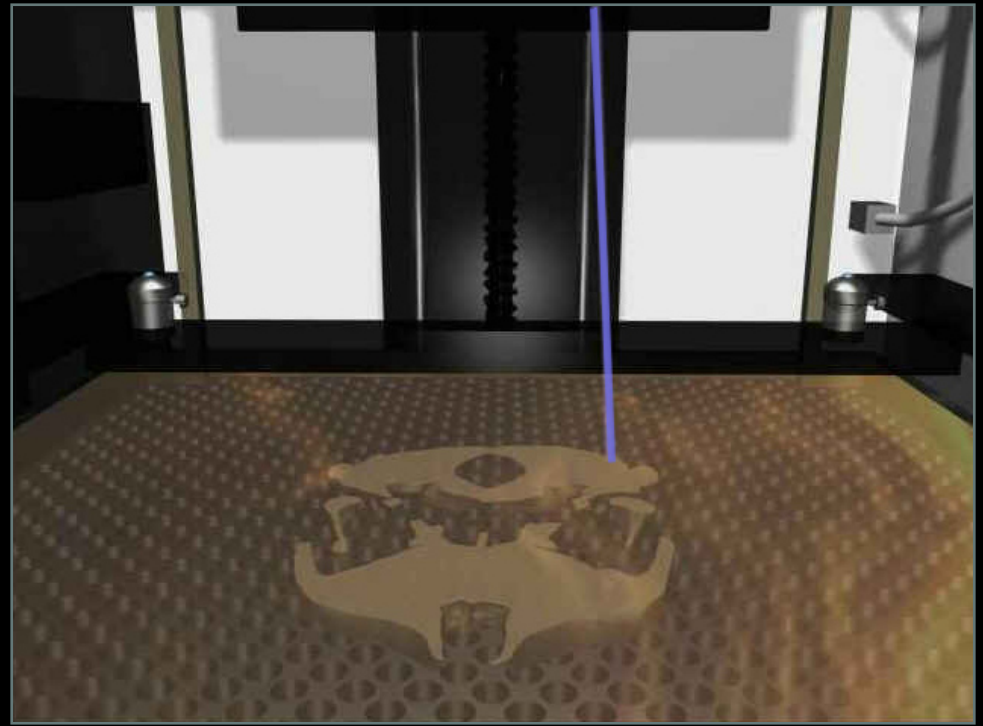
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# Implant Fabrication and Testing



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Stereolithography

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# Components

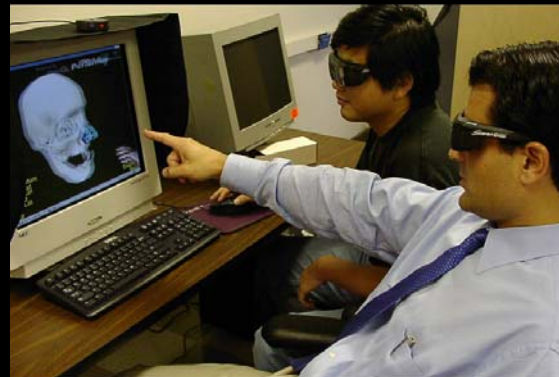
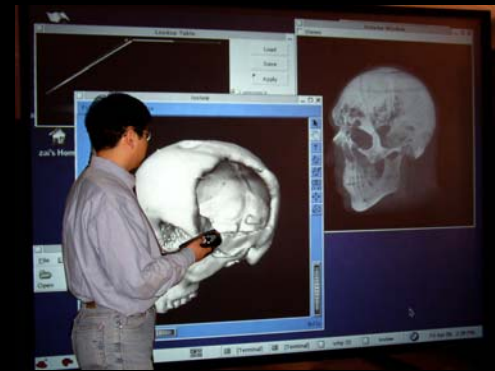
- Virtual reality display systems
- Immersive implant modeling system
- Implant design
- Surgical consultation over networks

# Surgical Consultation and Collaboration

- Adaptive networking
  - Quanta: the Quality of Service Adaptive Networking Toolkit
- Tele-immersive implant modeling
  - PARIS – C-Wall
- Distributed volume visualization
  - Clusters of powerful graphics computers are used to distribute very large volumes for parallel rendering.
  - Resultant images are stitched together and streamed over the network to PARIS, C-Wall, and Physician's Personal VR Display.
  - Cluster can therefore act as a powerful shared resource amongst physicians at many locations.
  - Higher speed networks (such as National Lambda Rail, StarLight and Internet-2) will enable higher quality real time image transfer with lower latencies.



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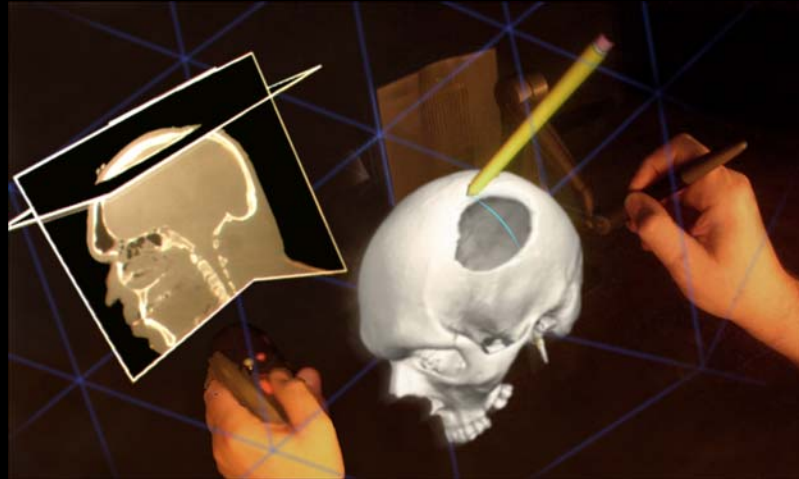


# VR Systems

- Personal Augmented Reality Immersive System (PARIS)
- Configurable Wall (C-Wall)
- Physician's Personal VR Display

# PARIS

- Based on PC
- Augmented reality
- Haptic feedback



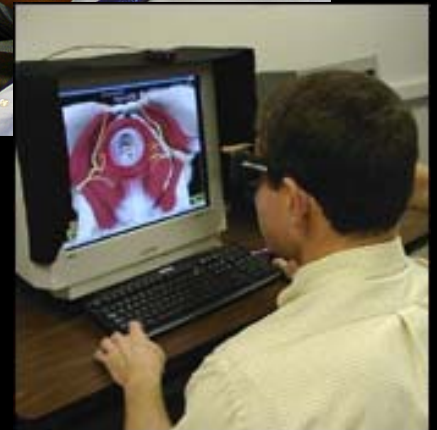
# Configurable-Wall (C-Wall)

- Small group consultation



# Physician's Personal VR Display

- Physician's desktop
- Hardware platform and operating system
- Graphics card and stereo display
- Software development tools
- 3D input devices



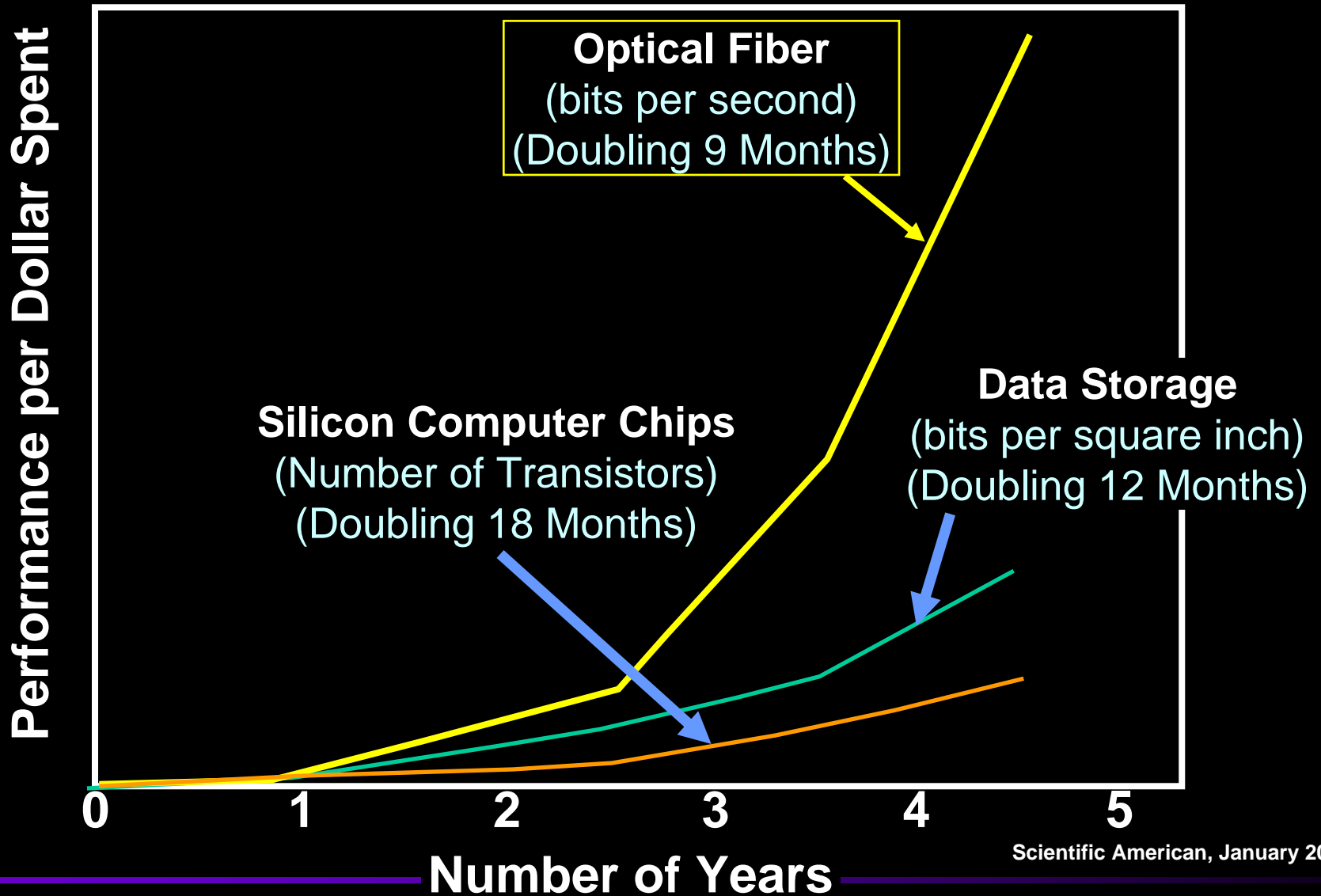
# Applications

- Consultation
- Pre-operative planning
- Implant design
- Surgical simulation
- Post operative evaluation
- Education
- Large-scale health emergencies

# Future Opportunities

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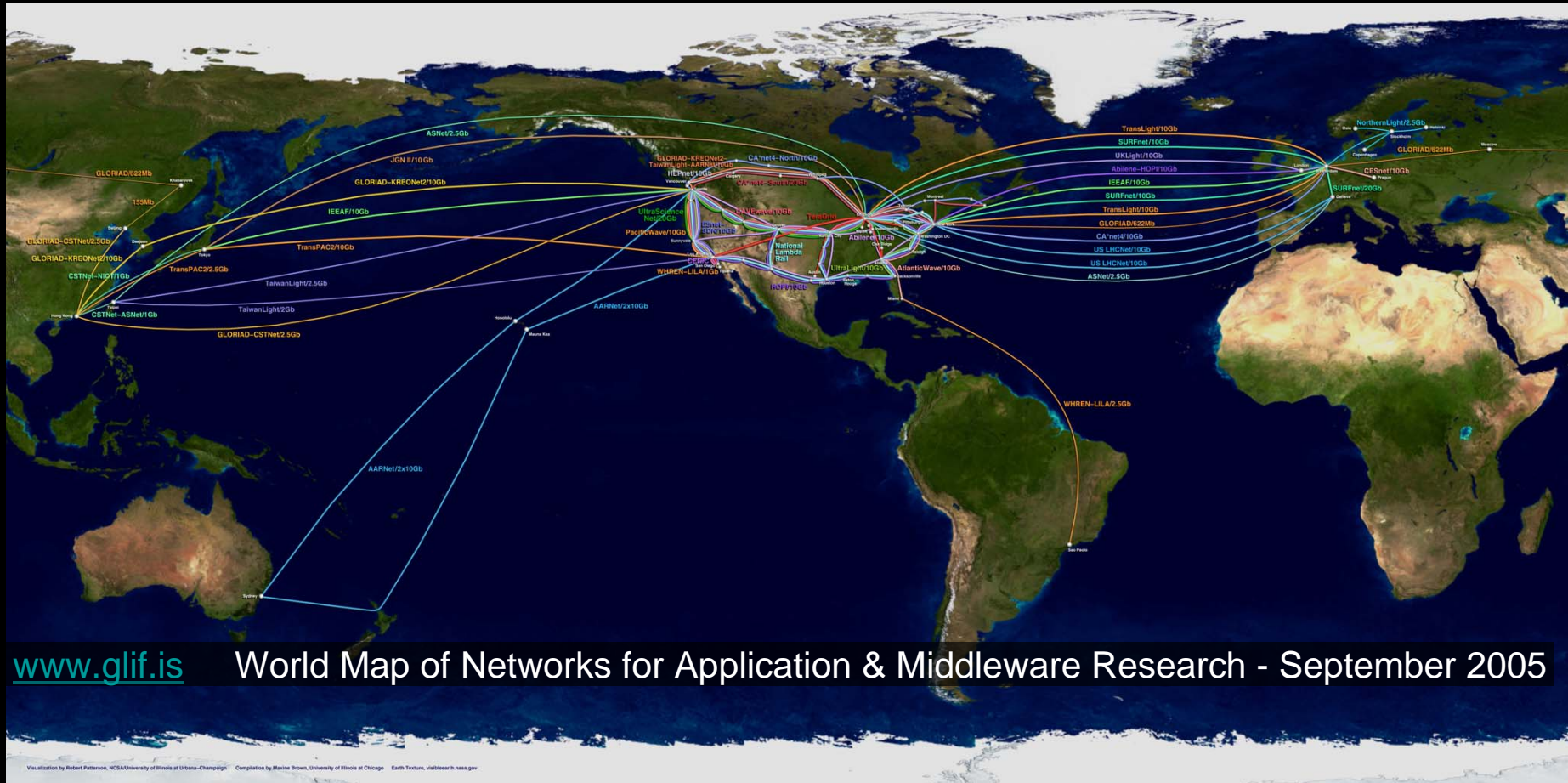
# Performance per Dollar between Optical Fiber, Silicon and Data Storage



Scientific American, January 2001



# StarLight & Global Lambda Integrated Facility Persistent Optical Networking Infrastructure for Rapid Distribution of Large Scale Instrumentation Data

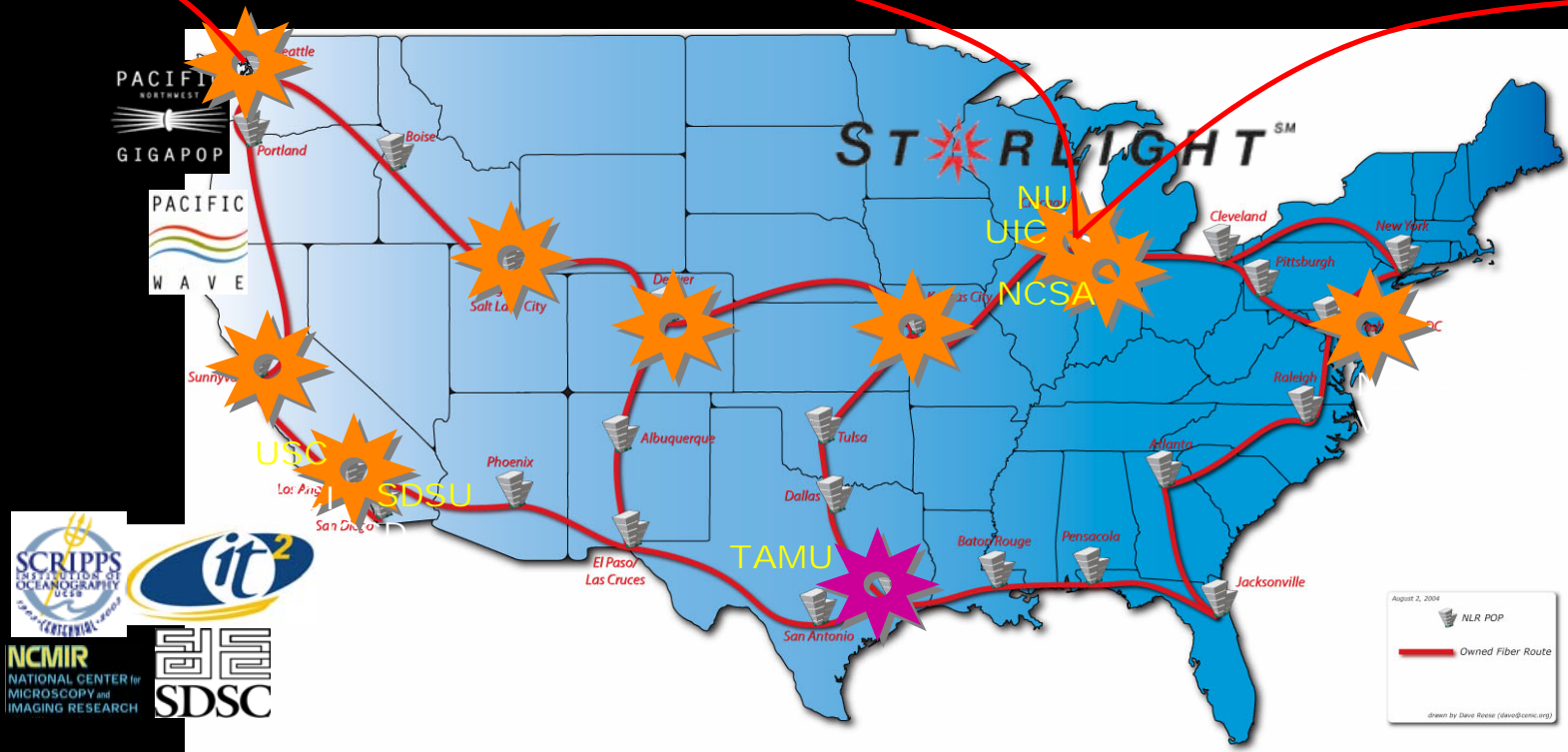




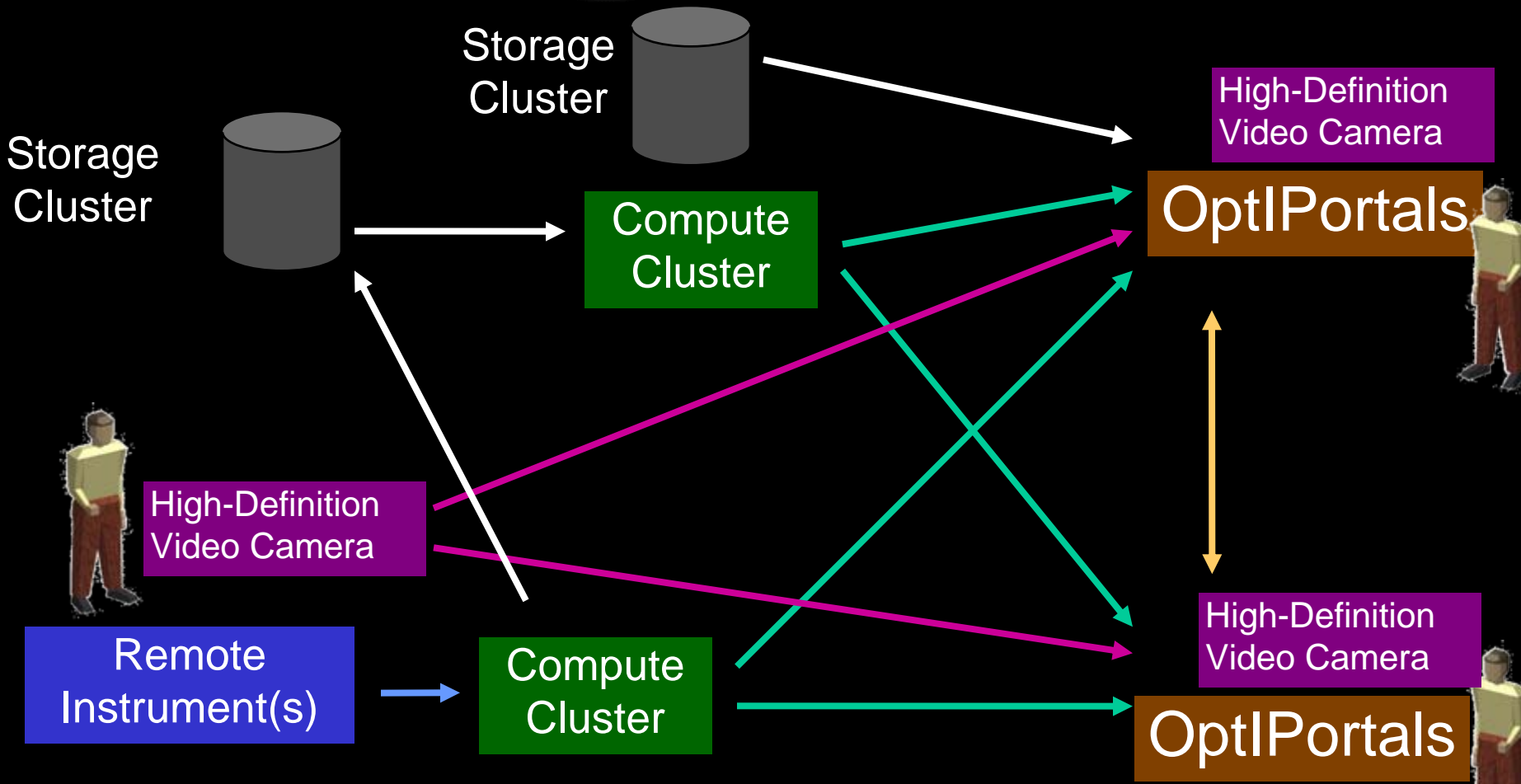
# OptIPuter

## 10GE CAVEwave on the National LambdaRail

The OptIPuter exploits a new world in which the central architectural element is optical networking – creating *supernetworks*



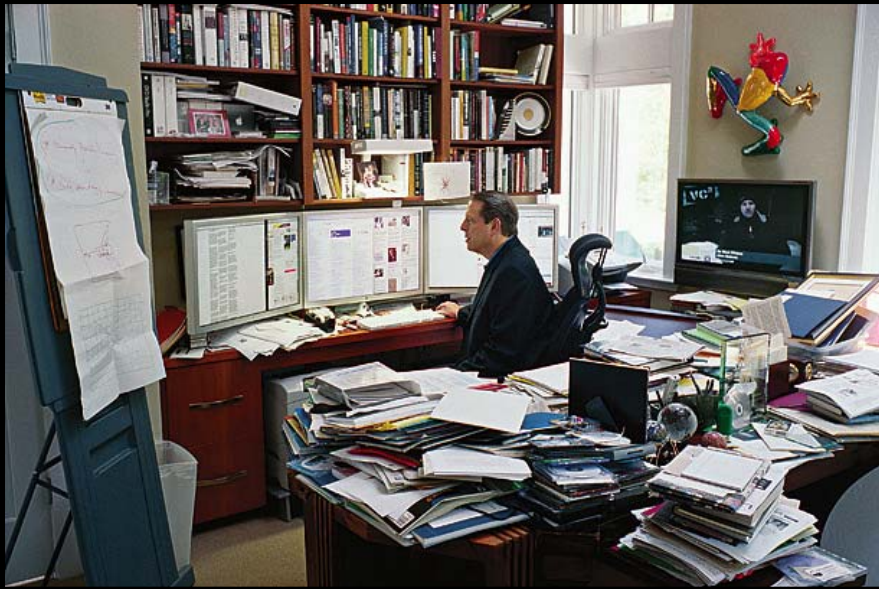
**CAVEwave™ is the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Electronic Visualization Laboratory's very own 10 Gigabit wavelength on the NLR infrastructure, connected to the University of Washington in Seattle and UCSD in San Diego, enabling OptIPuter experiments. It was recently extended to the DC area to connect with NASA GSFC and Venter Institute**



Main challenge is in building the MIDDLEWARE & APPLICATIONS

# Cyber-Commons and Cyber-Mashups

- Cyber-Commons: Environments with scalable displays that enable rich interaction between people and information.
- Cyber-Mashups: Virtual environments for merging data from Cyber-Observatories to create new discoveries.



100 Million Pixel Display Wall





# The OptIPuter Global Cyber Community



SIO



NCMIR



USGS EDC



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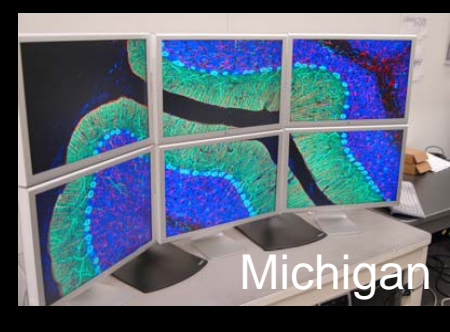
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virtual reality in medicine lab

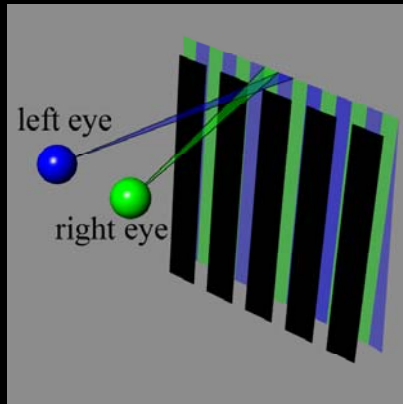


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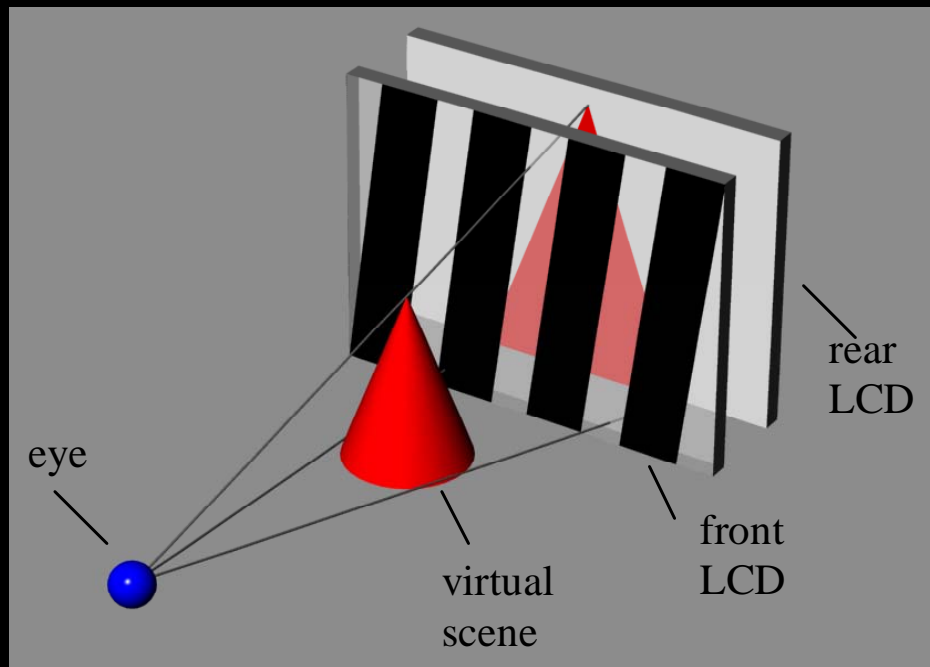


# Varrier - Autostereo Display (2004)





# Merging Mono and Stereo : Dynallax (2006)



Enables mono, stereo and a  
combination





# Alternative Interaction Modalities

## LambdaTable (2005)

Resolution is important for working with REAL data products such as maps, charts, blueprints & CAD



30" LCD tiles, 6 computers- 3 for graphics, 3 for camera tracking





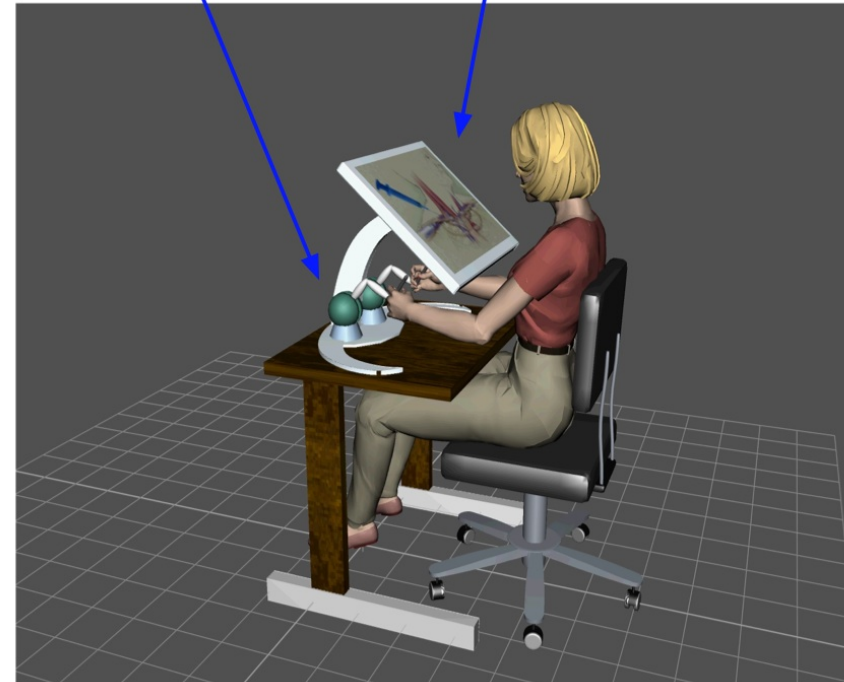
# Cyber-environment for Medical Research and Simulation of the Future

VirtuaTouch



One or Two Force-feedback Haptic Pens

Autostereoscopic flat panel display



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