

Taking endoscopy to a higher dimension

Computer Aided 3-D NOTES

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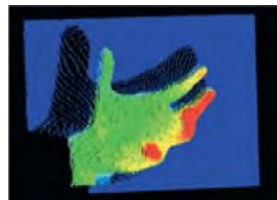
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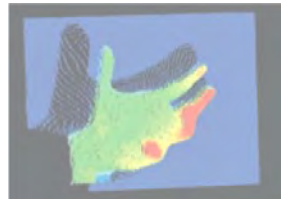
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Endoscopic 3-D approaches

State of the Art

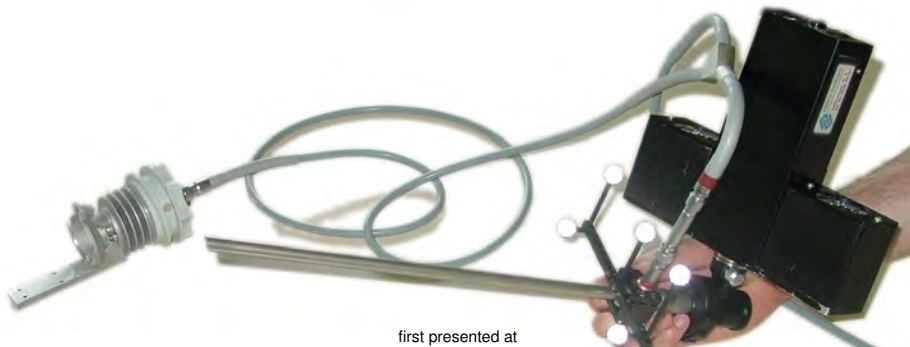
3-D information can be achieved with

- endoscopic ultrasound (EUS)
- magnetically anchored instruments
- passive optical approaches
 - stereo vision
 - structure from motion
 - shape from shading
- active optical approaches
 - pattern projection
 - **time-of-flight hybrid system**
- inertial sensors for gravity related orientation



First prototype of a 3-D endoscope

Based on time-of-flight technology



first presented at

2-nd Russian-Bavarian Conference

on

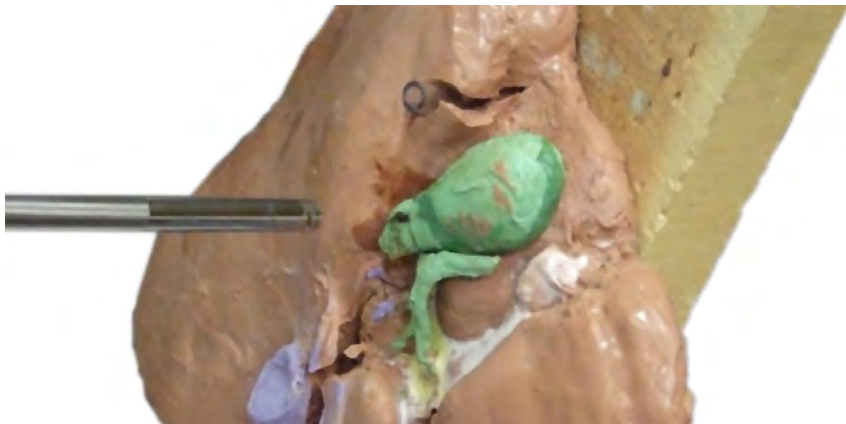
Bio-Medical Engineering
June 14/15, 2006, Moscow





Preliminary results

Liver phantom with gall bladder





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⇒ More details in the talk of Jochen Penne et al.



'Towards NOTES^{3D}'

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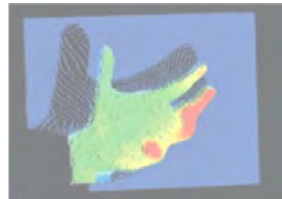
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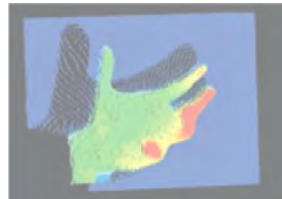
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Time Line

From open surgery to NOTES

Surgery can be done as:

- open surgery
→ for hundreds of years
- minimally invasive / laparoscopic surgery
→ since the late 80s
- and through natural orifices
→ "no longer if but when" (W. O. Richards, D. W. Rattner 2005)



⇒ July 22/23, 2005 white paper and foundation of Consortium for Assessment and Research (NOSCAR) on NOTES:

Natural Orifice Translumenal Endoscopic Surgery



Participating groups with NOTES

Great chance for technical innovations

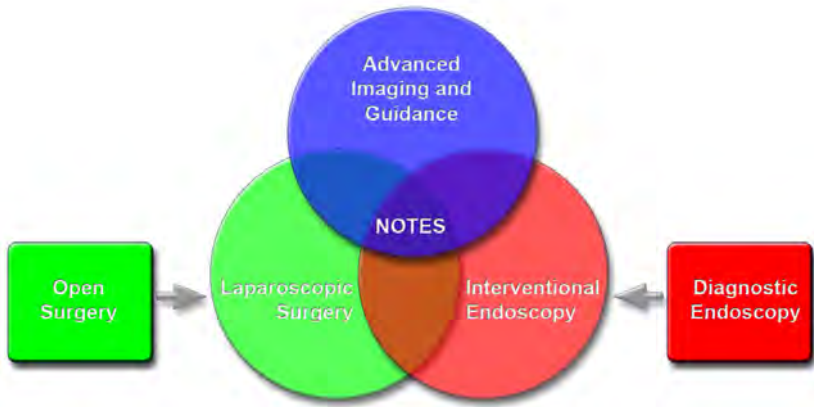
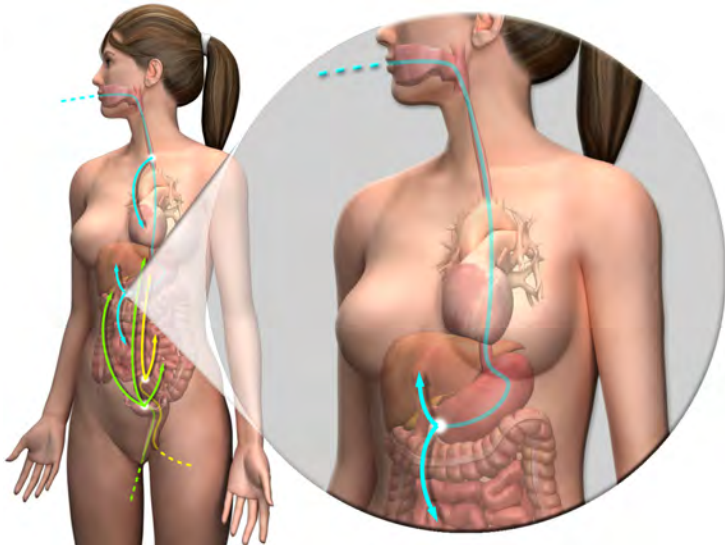


Figure: Interdisciplinarity of NOTES



Peroral transgastric route

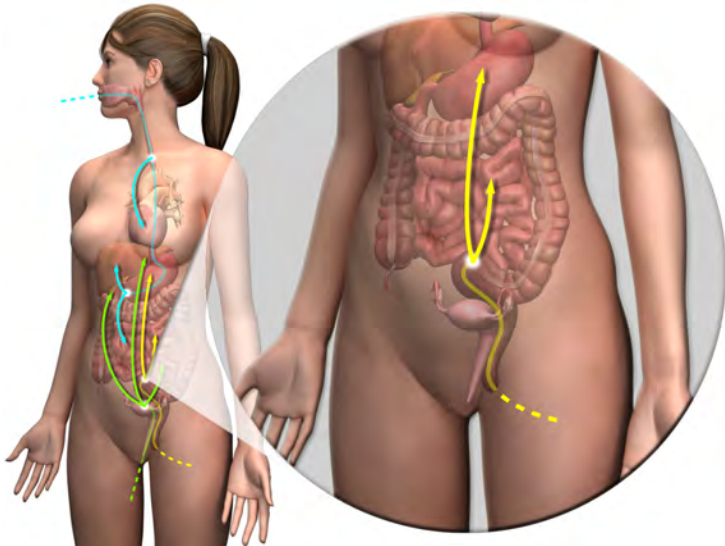
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Peranal transcolonic route

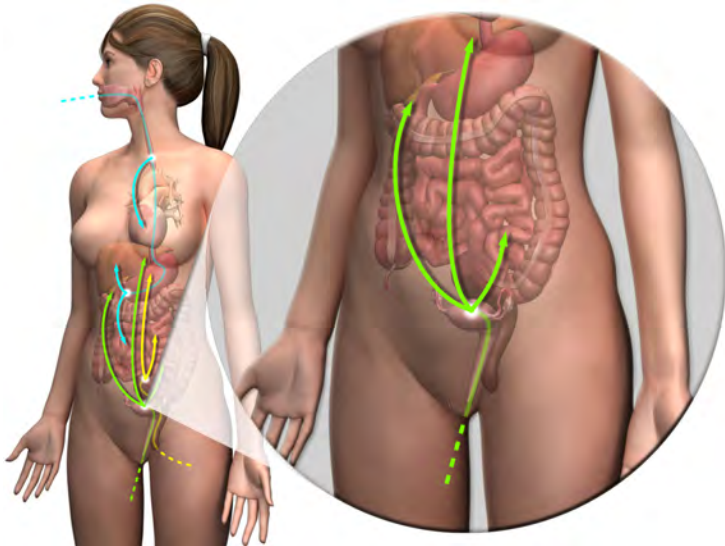
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Transvaginal route

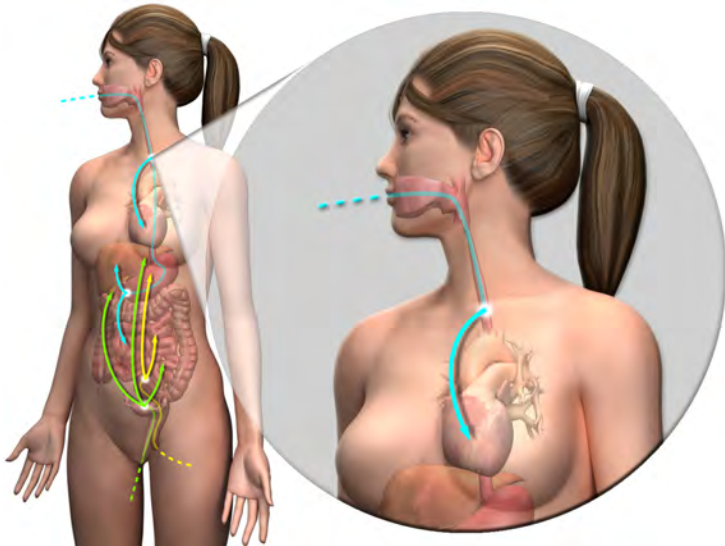
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Peroral transesophageal route

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NOTES Publications 2004-2007

Fast growing community

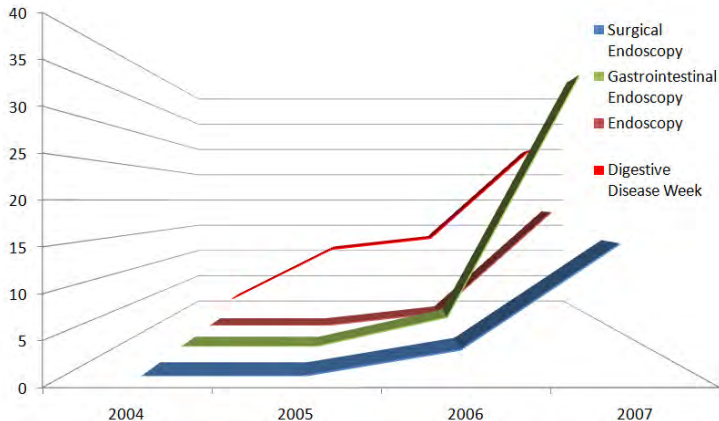


Figure: NOTES Publications in SE (SAGES), GIE (ASGE), Endoscopy (ESGE), DDW

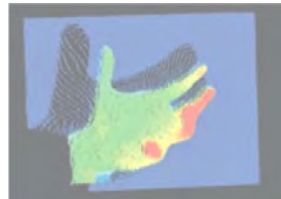
⇒ In 2008 more than twice the number of publications of 2007



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According to the NOTES white paper, New York 2005

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- Access to peritoneal cavity
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- Prevention of infection
- Development of suturing and anastomotic (nonsuturing) devices
- Maintaining spatial orientation
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- Physiologic untoward events
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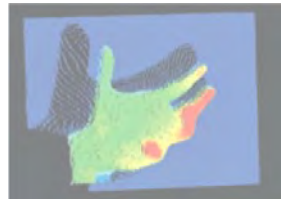
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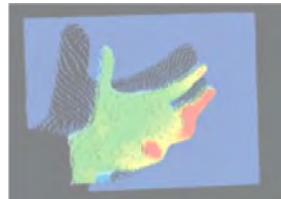
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Navigation support - Orientation

Finding the entry point to the peritoneal cavity

Challenge:

- More information on position and orientation of the robotic device or the endoscope

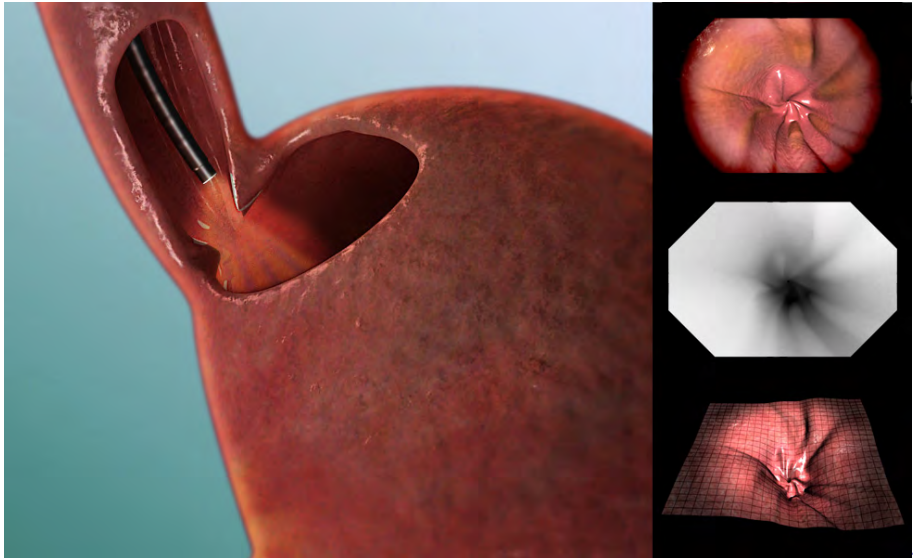
Solution:

- Nonrigid registration of intraoperative 3-D data with preoperative CT or MR data is possible
- Calculated transformation parameters can be used to represent, correct und visualize actual position and orientation



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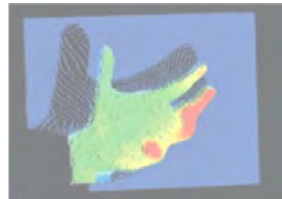
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Navigation support - Augmented Reality



Finding the entry point to the peritoneal cavity

Challenge:

- Avoid injuries of hidden organs and vessels, e.g. while finding the entry point to the peritoneal cavity
- Knowledge of structures behind the visible wall is needed for a safe incision

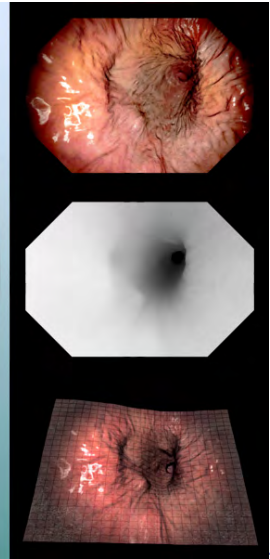
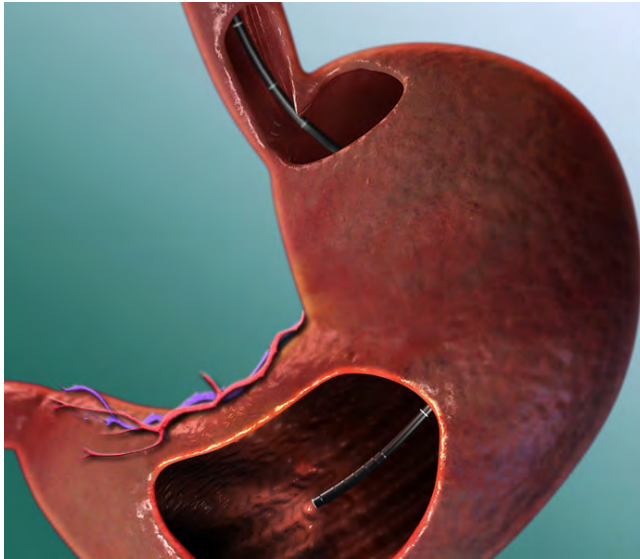
Solution:

- Registration with preoperative volumes
- Segmentation of objects of interest in the preoperative volumes
- Adaption of those objects by iteratively computed transformation parameters
- Visualization of hidden organs or vessels in intraoperative endoscopic images by augmented reality



Navigation support - Augmented Reality

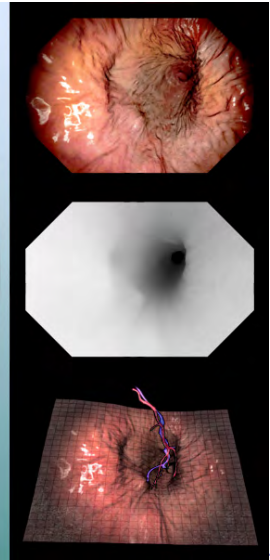
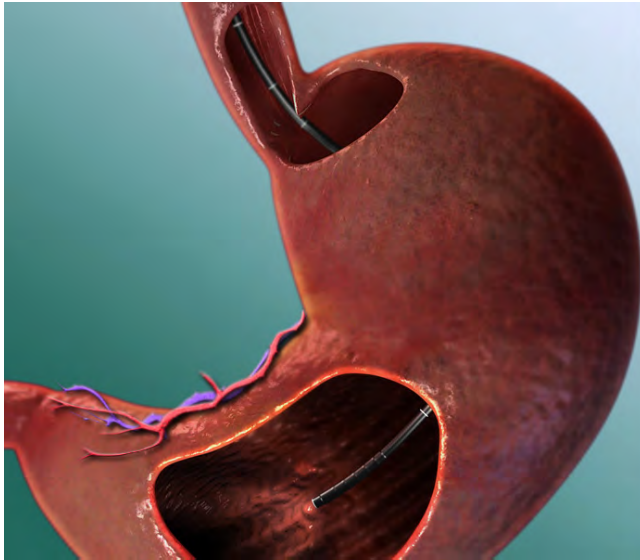
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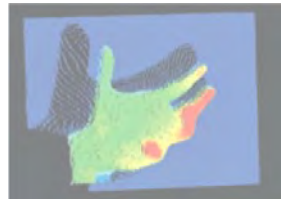
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Navigation support - Off-axis view

Finding the entry point to the peritoneal cavity

Challenge:

- Overcome boundaries of limited field of view like axis in-line view and loss of spatial orientation

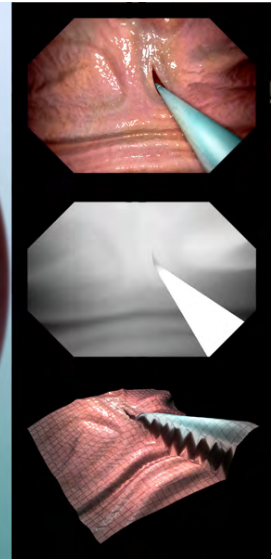
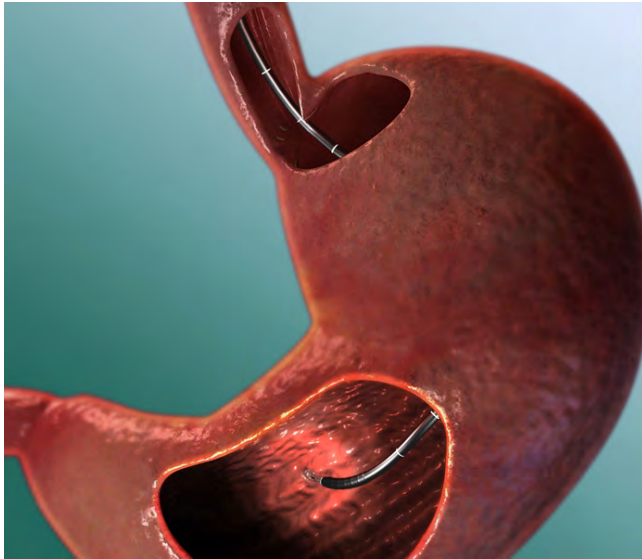
Solution:

- 3-D surface knowledge can be used to extend and virtually rotate the field of view
- With a 3-D mosaicking technique, the field of view can be extended by reconstruction of the operation area.



Navigation support - Off-axis view

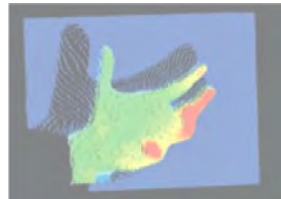
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Navigation support - Collision prevention

Finding the entry point to the peritoneal cavity

Challenge:

- Provide a higher grade of safety for automatic tools and robotic devices
- Especially important with multiple instruments through only one flexible endoscope

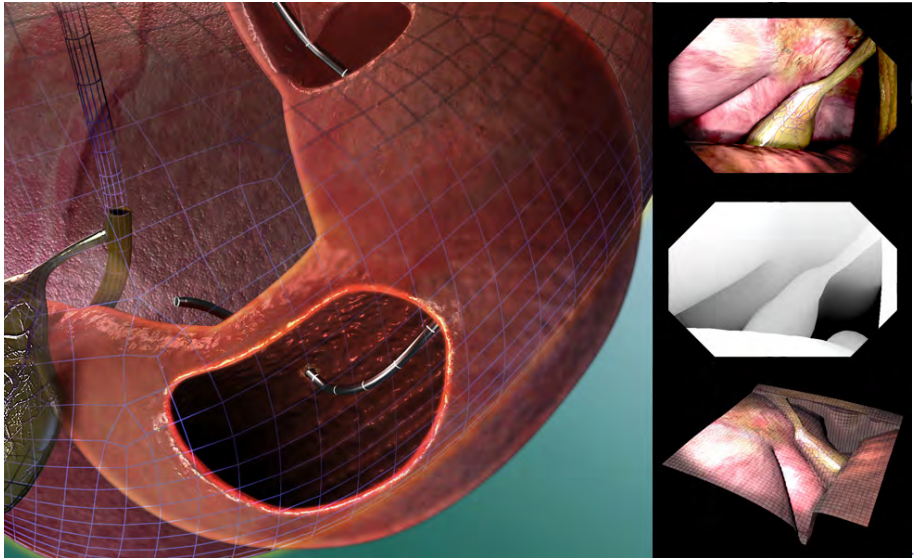
Solution:

- With real-time distance information efficient collision prevention with tissue or other instruments can be enabled
- Auto-positioning depending on respiration or other patient movements will be very helpful.



Navigation support - Collision prevention

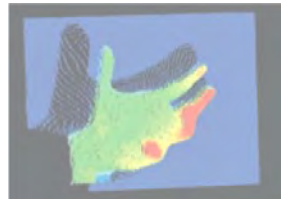
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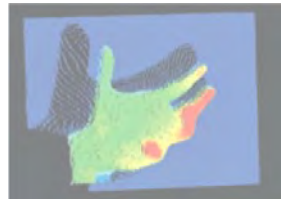
Endoscopic 3-D information are precondition to

- calculate intra-operative orientation
→ registering with pre-operative MR/CT volumes
- avoid injuries of hidden organs and vessels
→ making them visible by augmented reality
- provide an enhanced field of view
→ computing off-axis view or reconstructed area by stitching
- to enable collision prevention, motion compensation and automatic positioning of surgery tools
→ using a real-time distance measurement

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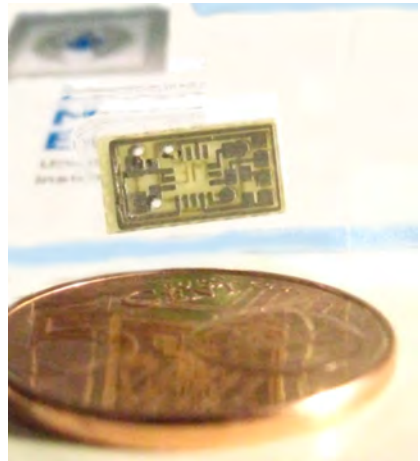
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Solution for loss of spatial orientation



real-time information of spatial orientation by measuring gravity

- using MEMS-based inertial devices:
3-D accelerometers





The End

- Thank you for your attention!
- Any further questions?

