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Medical Context and motivation



Fistula



Puncture

Hemodialysis session:

- two needles are inserted inside the fistula (dirty blood ejection and filtered blood arrival)

- to record actual needles position and orientation (**influence of the injection sites** with regard to pain/risks incurred by patients),
- to assist nurses to align needles according to the previously recorded ones.

Hardware

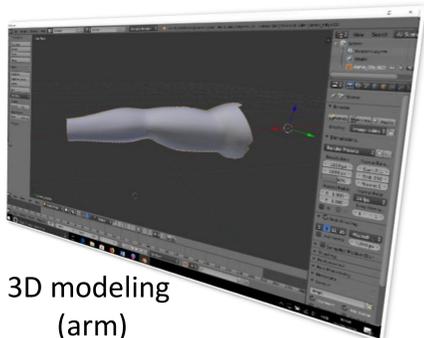
- Microsoft HoloLens Headset (v1), late 2016 in France

=> to interact with 3D virtual objects (*holograms*), **mixed reality**



View of the user through the headset

Digital Content Creation



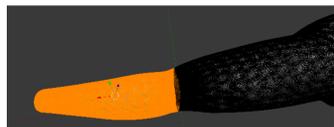
3D modeling (arm)



Mesh

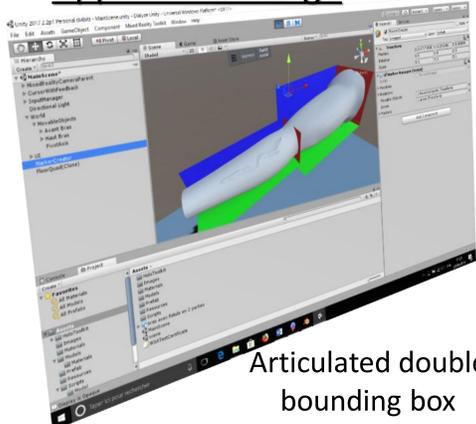


Fistula sculpting

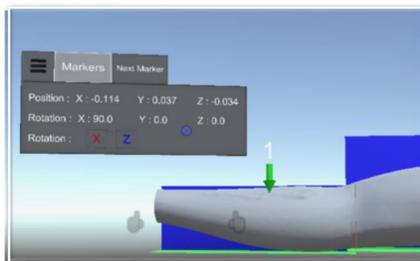


Joint (elbow)

Application design



Articulated double bounding box



Needle 3D model

Implementation

- C# language



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using System.Collections;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using UnityEngine;

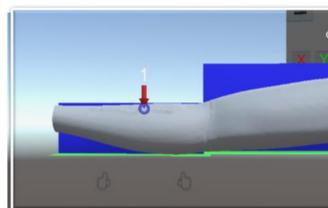
public class GeneratePlanes : MonoBehaviour
{
    private MeshFilter[] filters; //Mesh filter des enfants
    private Quaternion oldRotation; //Rotation initiale de L'objet
    private Vector3 minBound; //Point en bas à gauche de la boîte englobante
    private Vector3 maxBound; //Point en haut à droite de la boîte englobante
    private Vector3 centerBound; //Centre de la boîte englobante
    private Vector3 boundsSize; //Taille de la boîte englobante
    private static Vector3 planesOrigin; //Point à l'origine des 3 plans

    private void Awake()
    {
        filters = GetComponentsInChildren<MeshFilter>();
        oldRotation = transform.parent.rotation;
        transform.parent.rotation = Quaternion.identity;
        maxBound = filters[0].mesh.bounds.max;
        minBound = filters[0].mesh.bounds.min;
        for (int i = 1; i < filters.Length; i++)
        {
            if (filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.x > maxBound.x)
                maxBound.x = filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.x;
            if (filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.y > maxBound.y)
                maxBound.y = filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.y;
            if (filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.z > maxBound.z)
                maxBound.z = filters[i].mesh.bounds.max.z;
            if (filters[i].mesh.bounds.min.x < minBound.x)
                minBound.x = filters[i].mesh.bounds.min.x;
        }
    }
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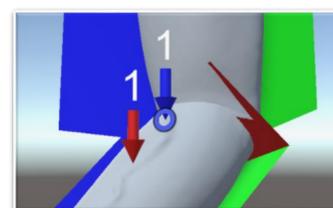
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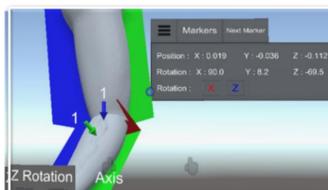
Needles placement (simulation inside Unity)



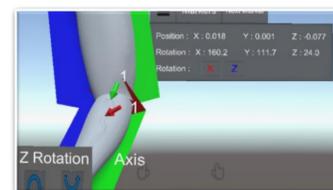
First needle position



Second needle position

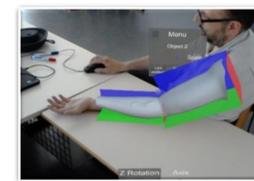
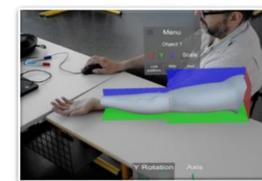
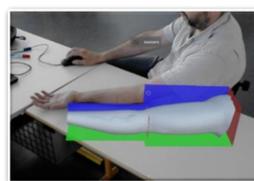


Orientation of the first needle



Orientation of the second needle

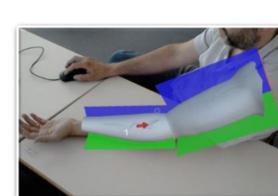
RESULTS: Interactive registration (to record actual needles)



Bounding box placement and orientation

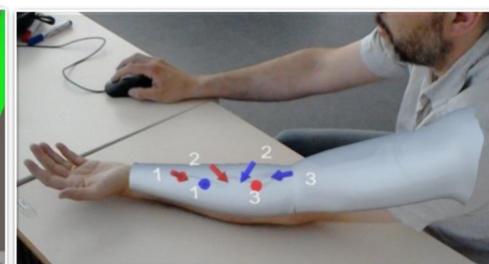
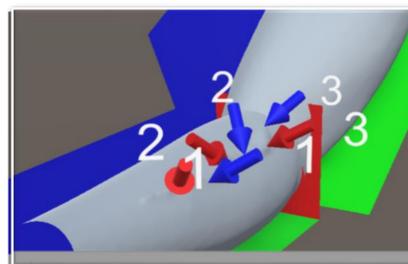


Another view



Recording of the virtual needles (simulation)

RESULTS: Interactive registration (to show previously recorded needles)



With three previous sets of needles

Future works

- 3d CT-scan of the actual pair (arm+fistula) of patients,
- marker-based registration.

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