Process tomography: what's being done in medical applications?

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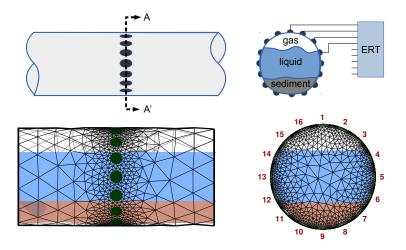


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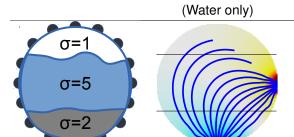




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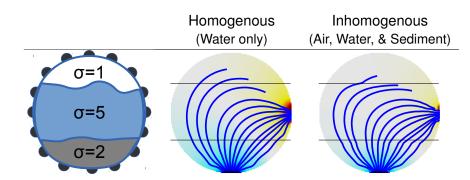




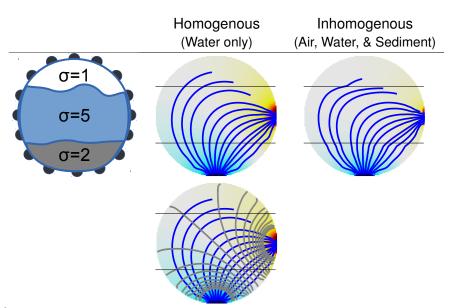
Inhomogenous (Air, Water, & Sediment)



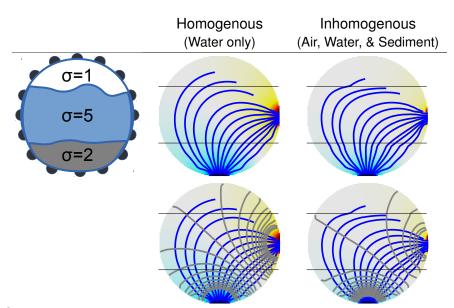
Homogenous



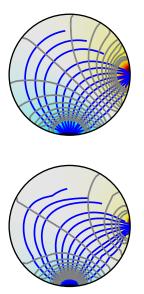


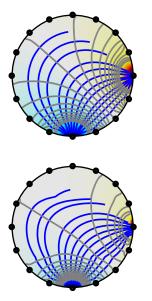


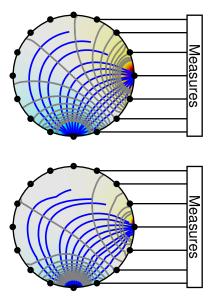


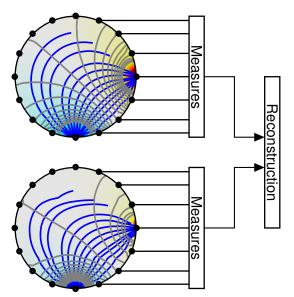










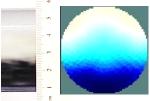


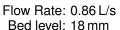


Example Images











Static Wood shapes



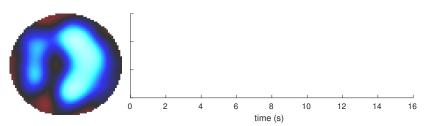


10-day old baby¹

¹Heinrich, *et al* (2006) "Body and head position effects on regional lung ventilation in infants: an electrical impedance tomography study" *Intensive Care Med*, 32:1392-1398

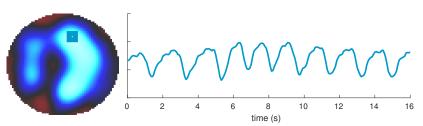






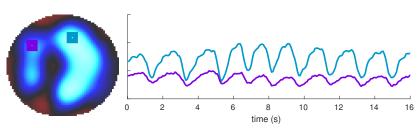






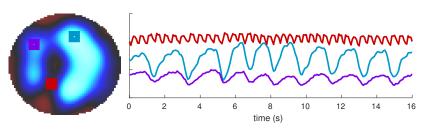






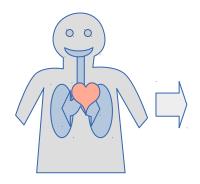






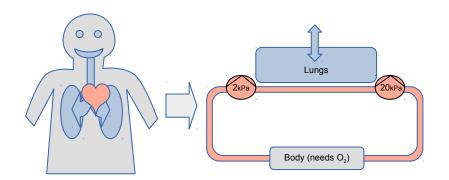


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Human Physiology \Leftrightarrow O₂ delivery system

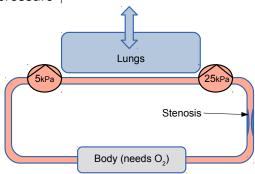




Example problem: Valve stenosis

- Stenosis: stiffened output valve can't open enough
- ∆Pressure ↑ across valve
- Body needs blood flow, so LH Pressure ↑

If bad enough, RH pressure ↑

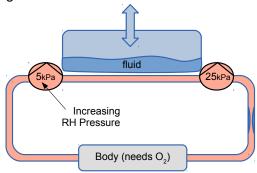




Valve stenosis ⇒ Heart Failure

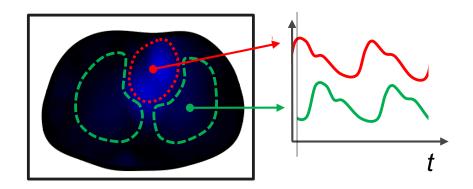
- Eventually,

 LH Pressure is not enough
- RH pressure ↑ to help out
- But now lungs see high pressure
- Fluid "leaks" into lungs

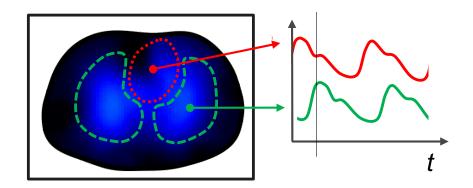




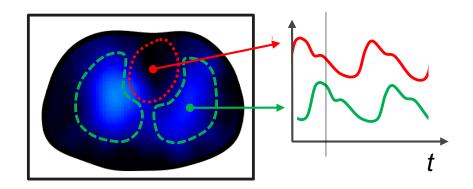




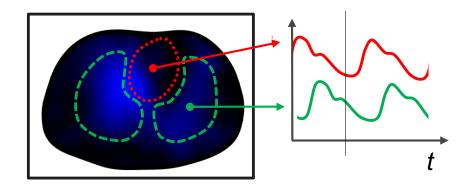






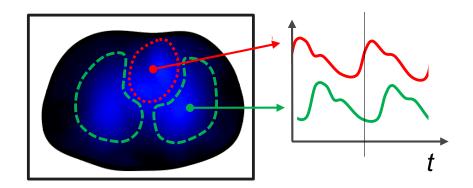






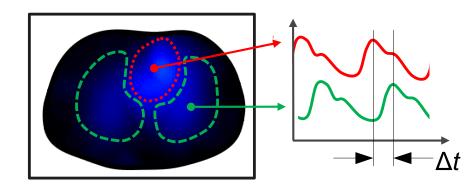


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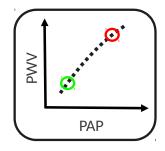
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Δt ↓ as Pressure ↑



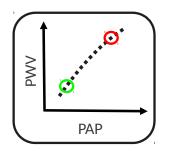
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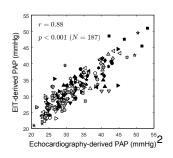


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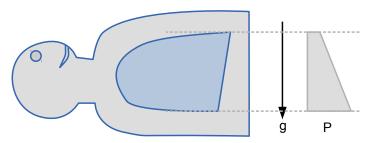




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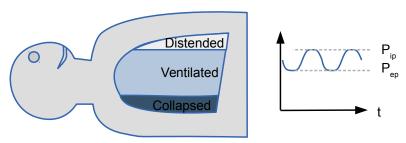


The ventilated patient



Heavy (wet) lungs have a ↑ pressure gradient

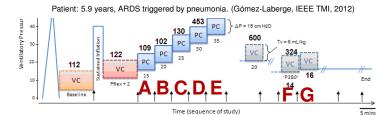
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Ventilator pressures (P_{ip}, P_{ep}) open and close lungs



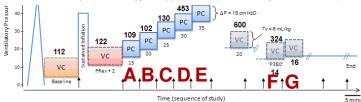
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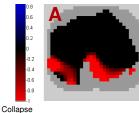


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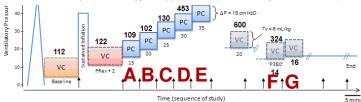
Overdistension





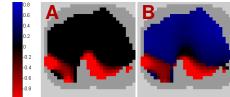
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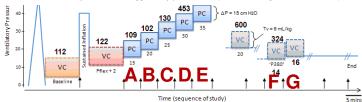
Collapse

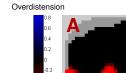


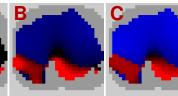


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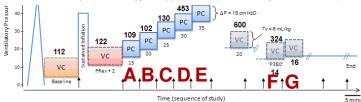


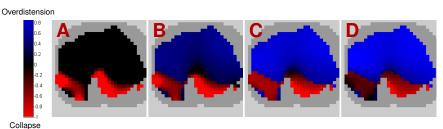
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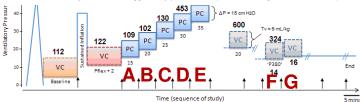


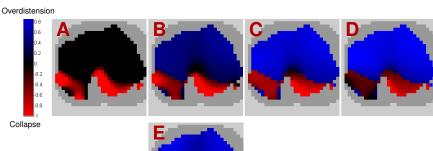






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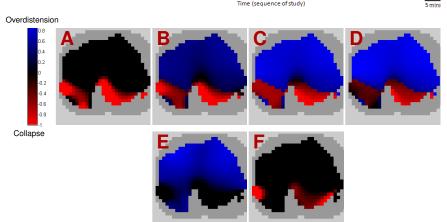






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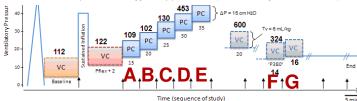


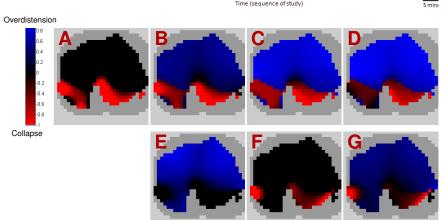






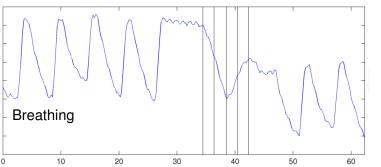
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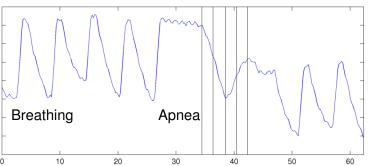




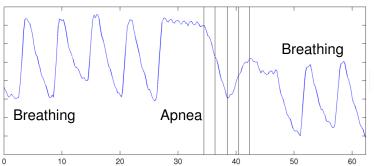




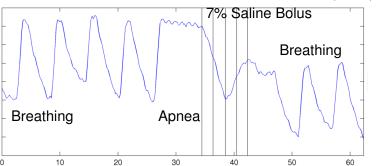




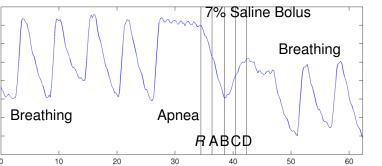




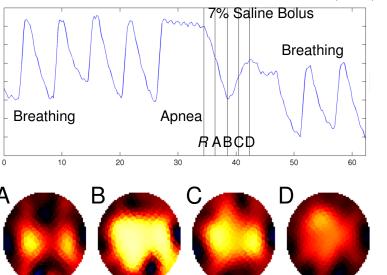












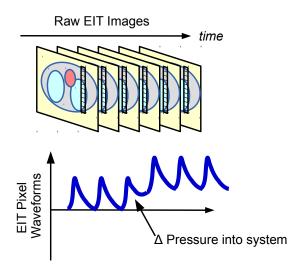


Any useful ideas from Medical tomography?

- Functional Imaging
- Temporal Dynamics

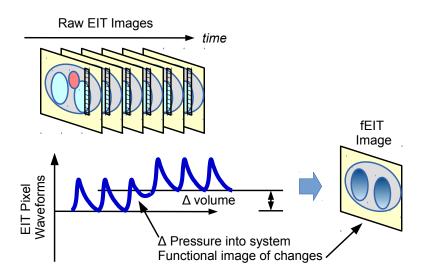


Functional Imaging



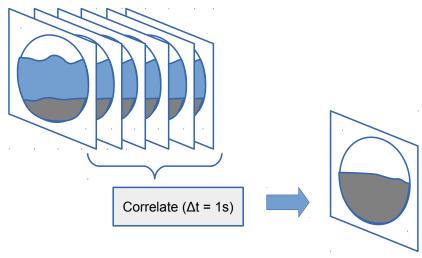


Functional Imaging





Temporal dynamics



Flow rate? Turbulence?



Process tomography: what's being done in medical applications?

Abstract: Electrical measurements on the surface are used to calculate internal images in many different fields. In process tomography images are used to monitor pipe flows and mixing. In geophysics, images are useful to understand hydrogeology and metallic ore locations. And for medical applications, images are useful to monitor movements of air and fluids in the body. Unfortunately, these communities do not share information well, and similar ideas are reinvented many times. The goal of this talk is to introduce some of the techniques and applications of electrical imaging in biomedical applications and to relate them to process tomography.

