

Electrical Impedance Tomography for Deformable Media

Camille Gómez-Laberge, M.A.Sc.
Andy Adler, Ph.D.

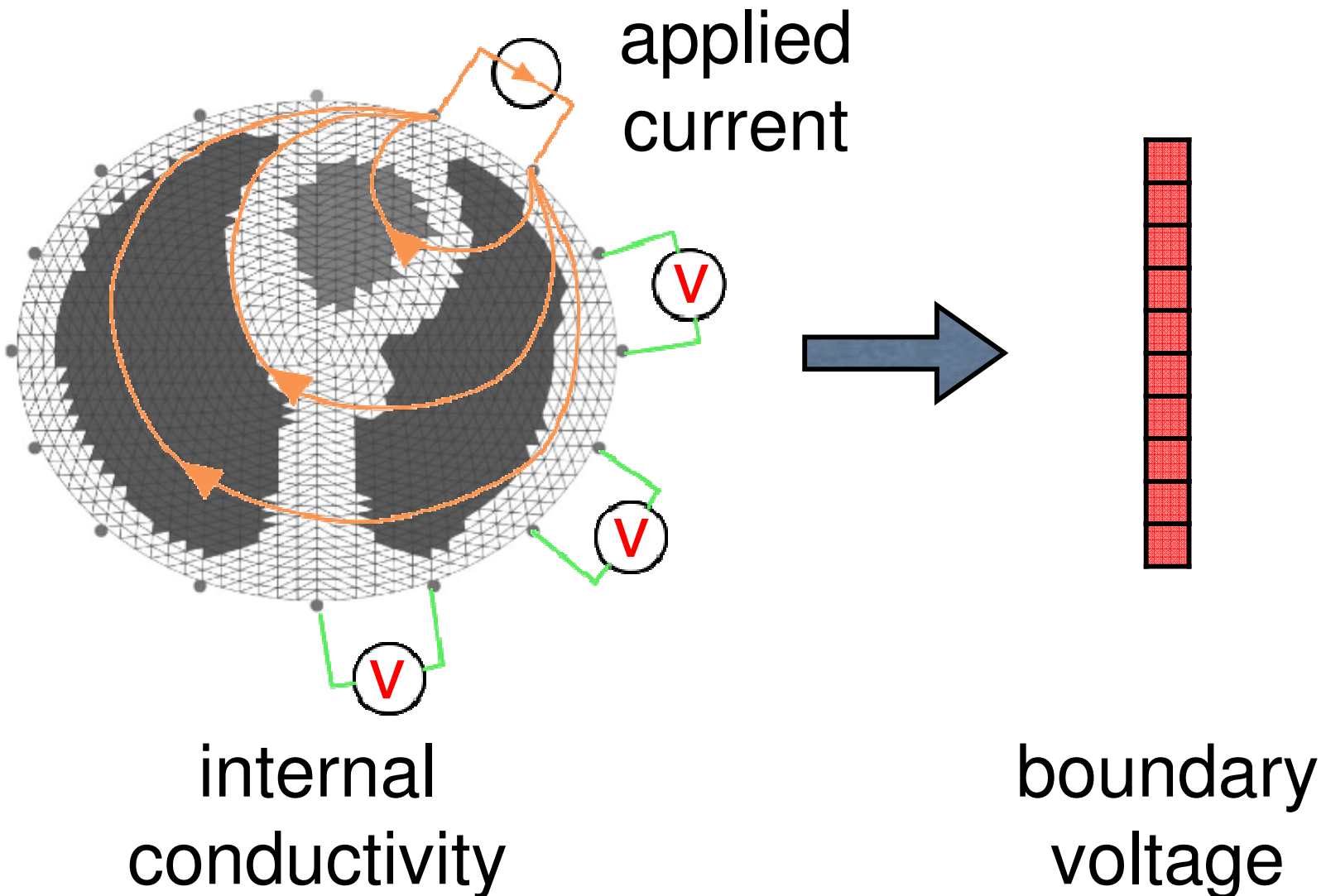
Dept. of Systems and Computer Engineering
Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

ICEBI 2007

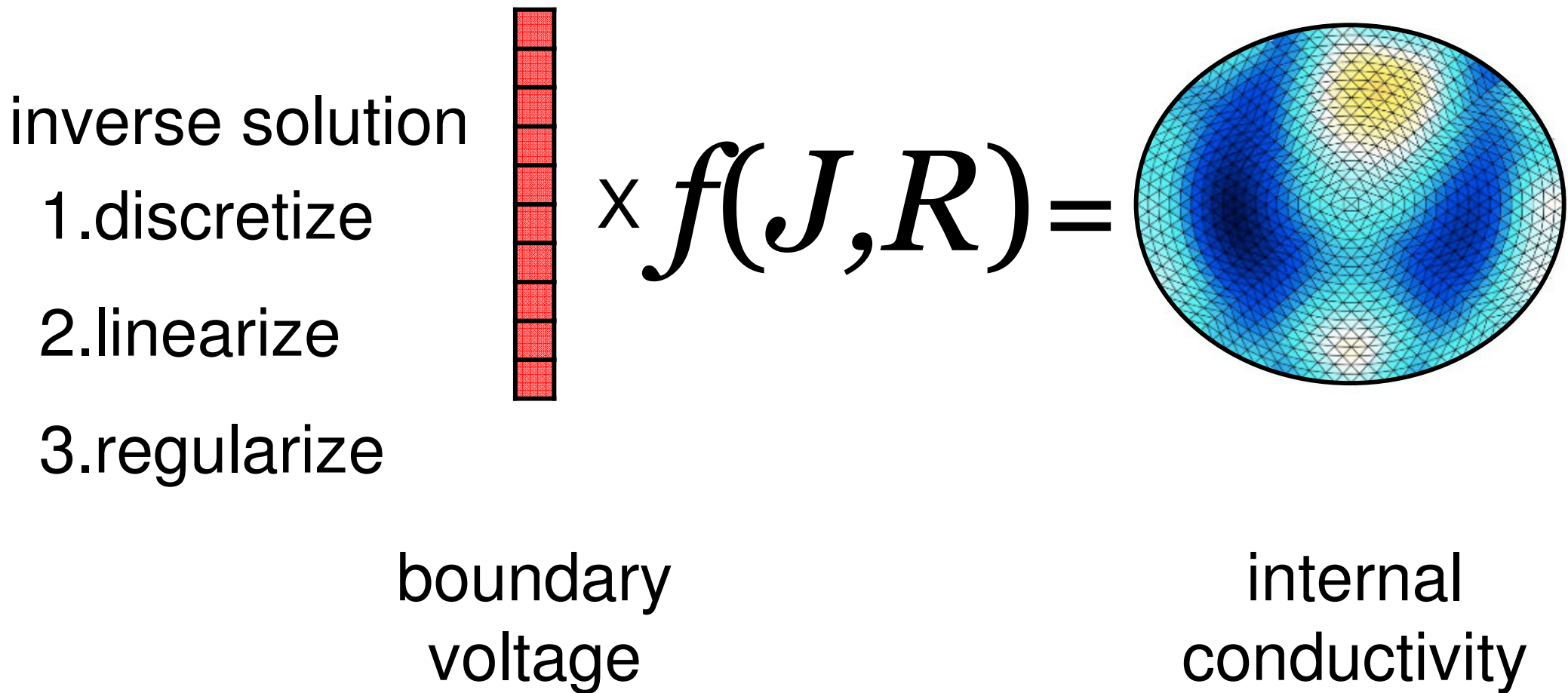
Outline

- Lung ventilation EIT
- Image variability from boundary deformation
- Electrode displacement regularization
- Imaging of deformable media
- 3D EIT Jacobian calculations

Lung ventilation EIT



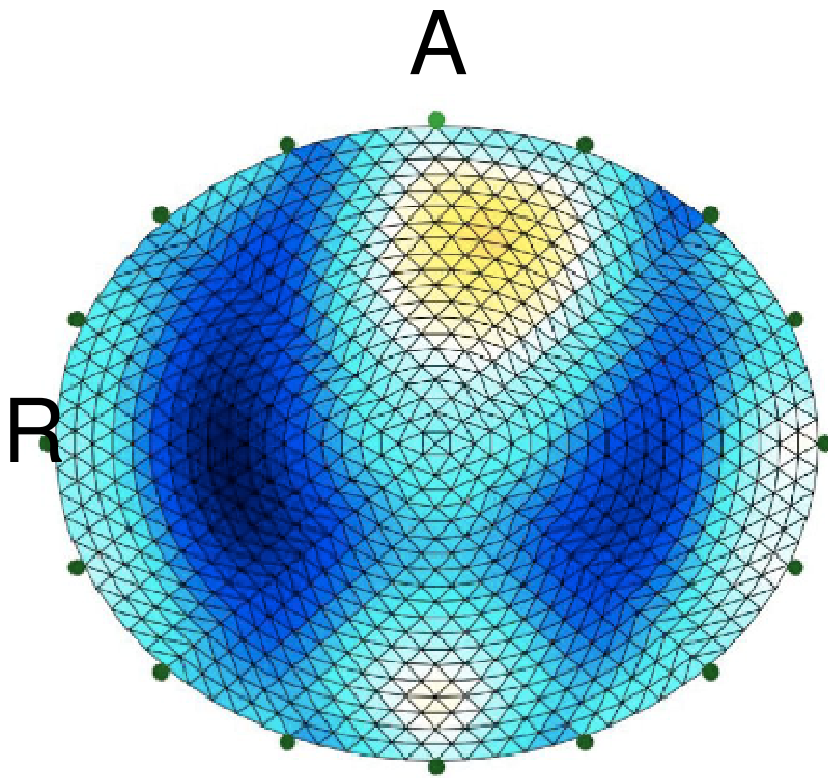
Lung ventilation EIT



Boundary deformation

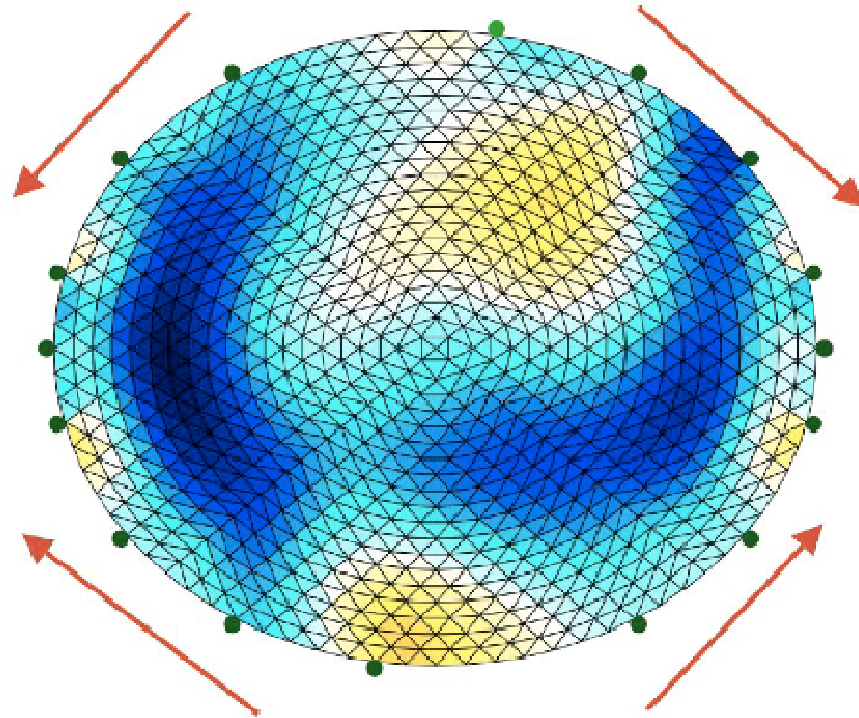
- Lung ventilation imaging is prone to
 - throacic deformation
 - posture change
- Thorax expansion per manoeuvre
 - tidal breathing: circumference increases 1%
 - total lung capacity: circumference increases 5%
- These deformations cause significant artefacts

Boundary deformation

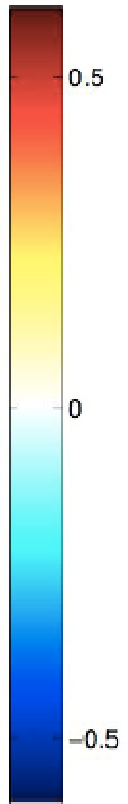


correct

Electrodes moved by
approx.
1.50 cm



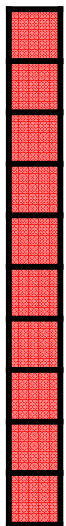
incorrect



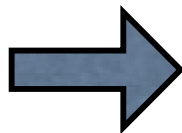
Normalised
Conductivity

Electrode displacement regularization

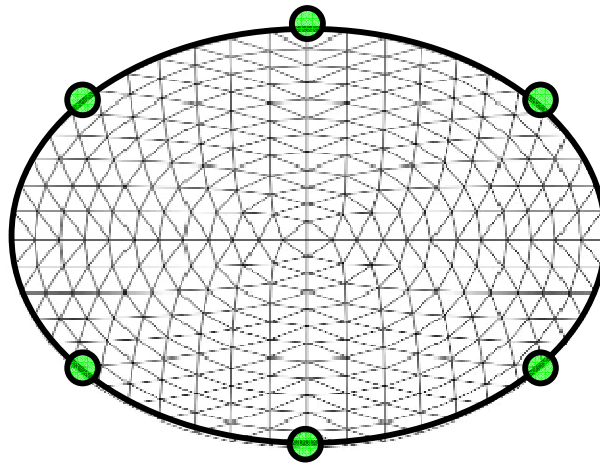
boundary
voltage



\mathbf{v}

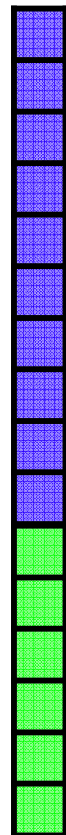


internal
conductivity

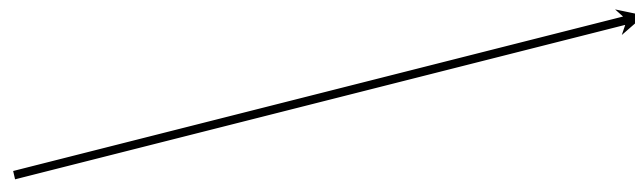
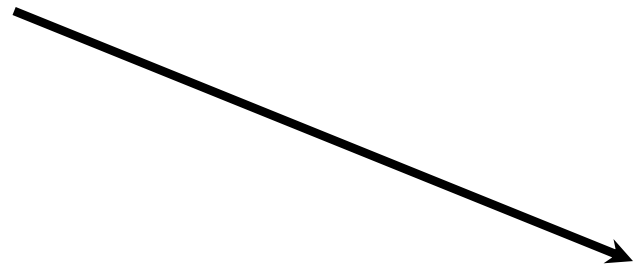


electrode
displacement

image



\mathbf{x}



Electrode displacement regularization

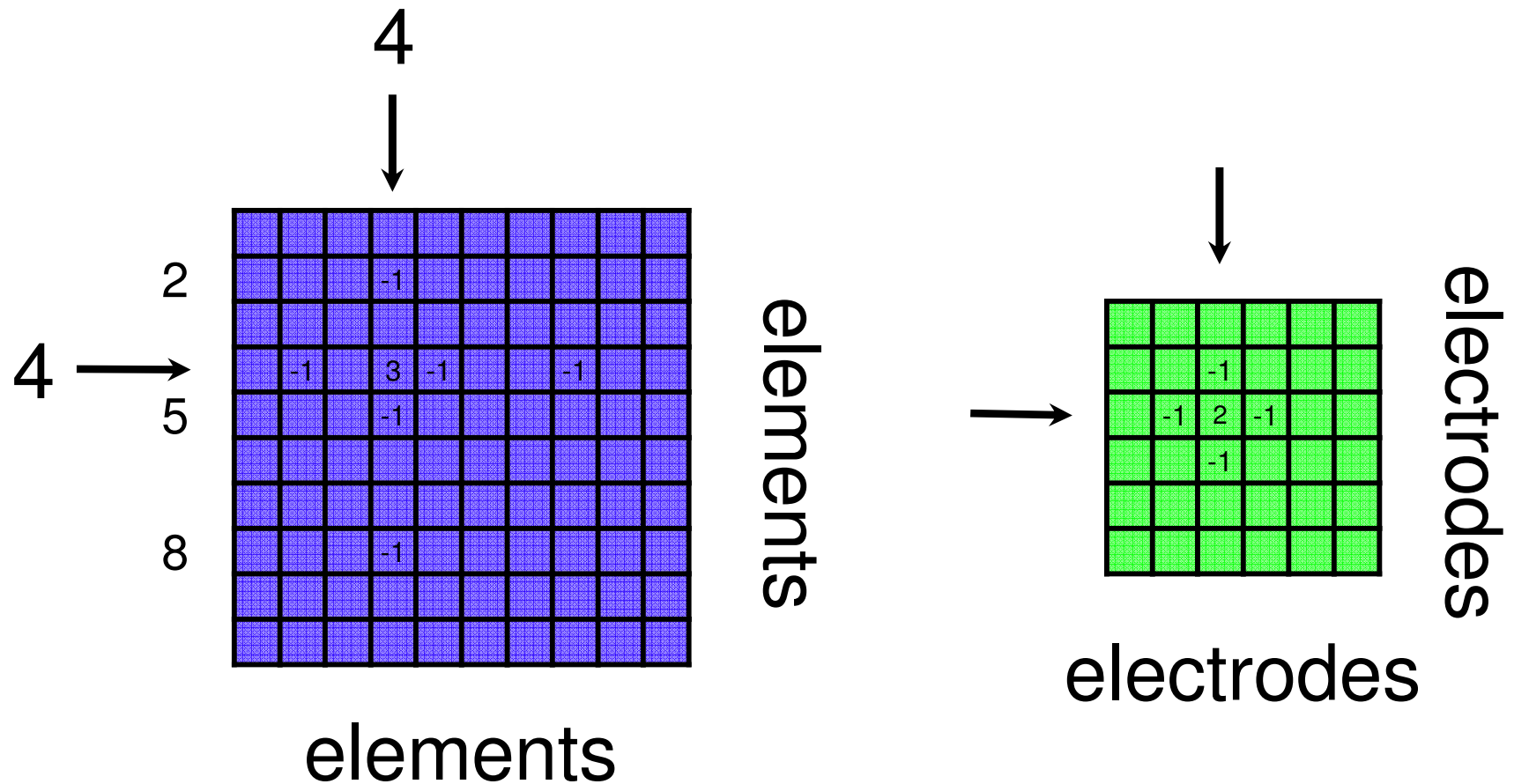
$$\mathbf{x} = f_{\mathbf{J}, \mathbf{R}}(\lambda, \mu) \times \mathbf{v}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{J} + \lambda^2 \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T \mathbf{v}$$

Electrode displacement regularization

- Building R : a priori claims
 - conductivity distribution is smooth
 - adjacent electrode displacements are correlated

Electrode displacement regularization



Electrode displacement regularization

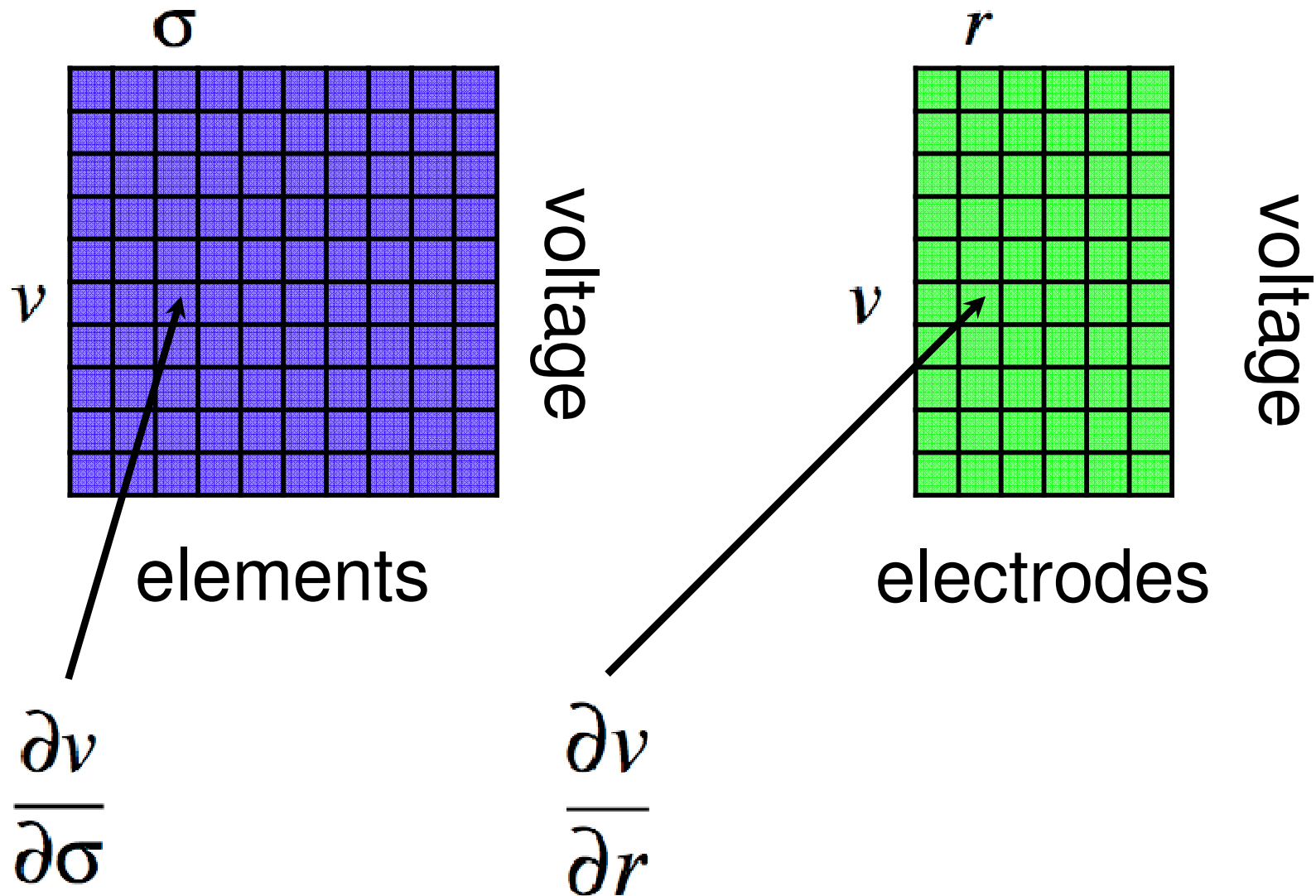
$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Blue Grid} & 0 \\ 0 & \text{Green Grid} \end{bmatrix}$$

The diagram illustrates the regularization matrix R as a block matrix. The top-left block is a blue grid representing the displacement regularization term. The bottom-right block is a green grid representing the regularization parameter μ^2 . The off-diagonal blocks are zero, indicating that the regularization is applied independently to the displacement and the regularization parameter.

Electrode displacement Jacobian

- Building J: sensitivity to deformation
 - conductivity change will affect boundary voltage
 - displacements will affect boundary voltage

Electrode displacement Jacobian

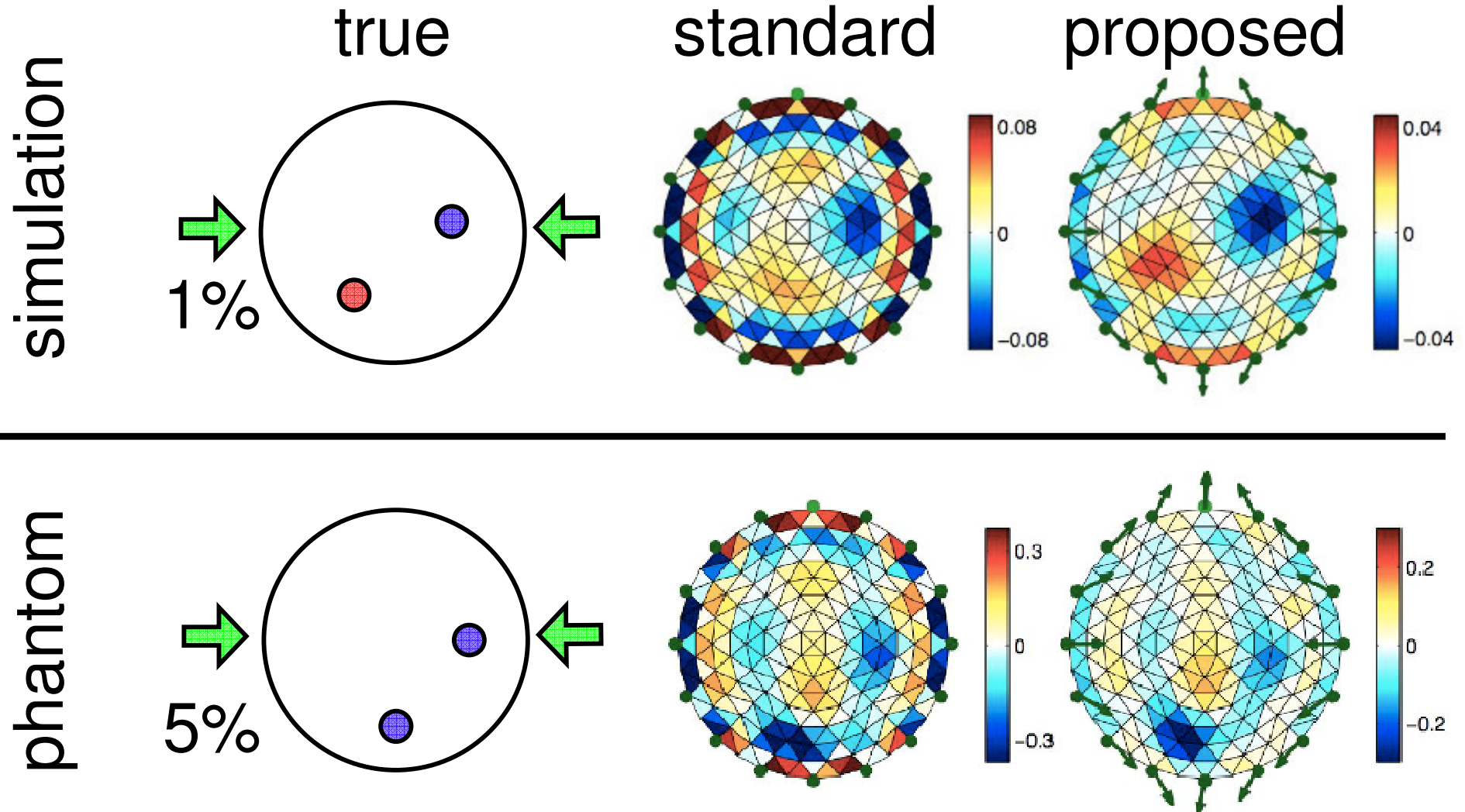


Electrode displacement Jacobian

$$\mathbf{J} = \left[\begin{array}{c|c} \text{Blue Grid} & \text{Green Grid} \end{array} \right]$$

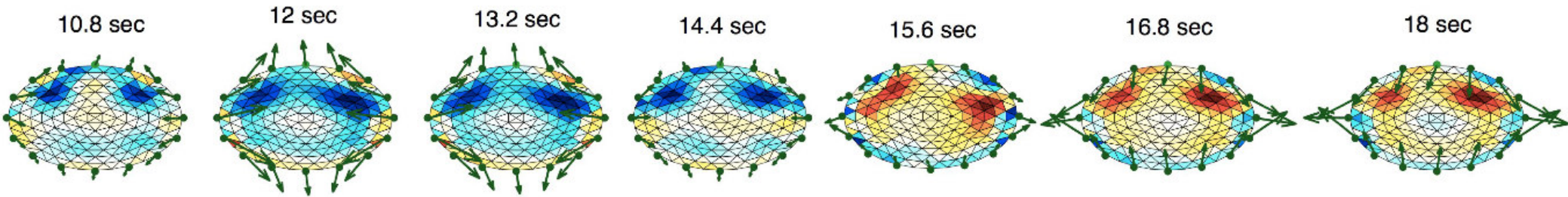
Calculating the Jacobian becomes time consuming
for large FEM > 30,000 elements

Imaging deformable media

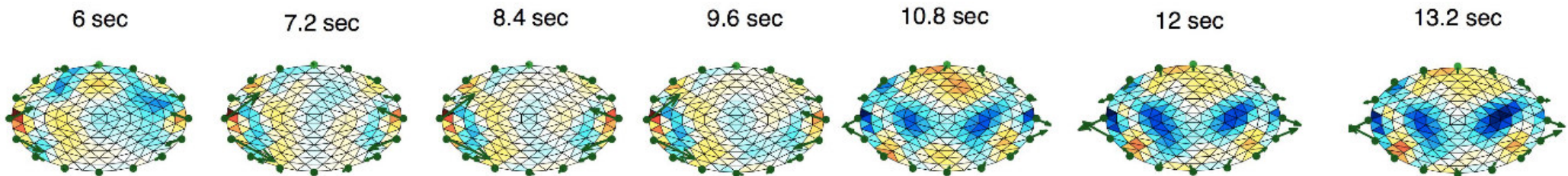


Imaging deformable media

Human TLC-RC breathing: 1.2 sec. increments



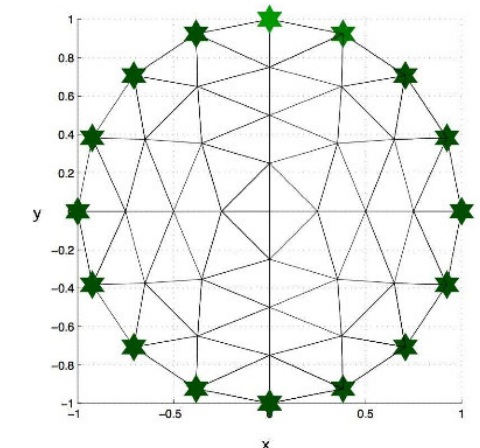
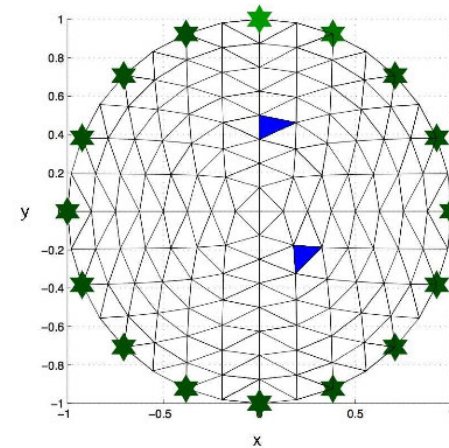
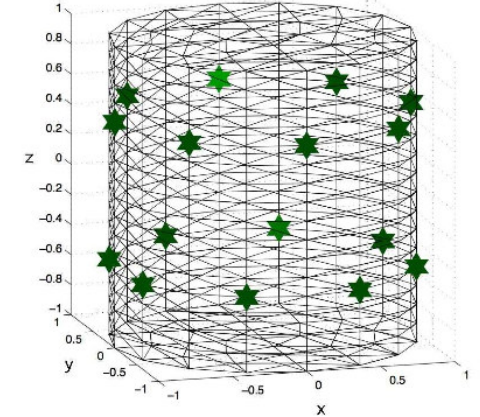
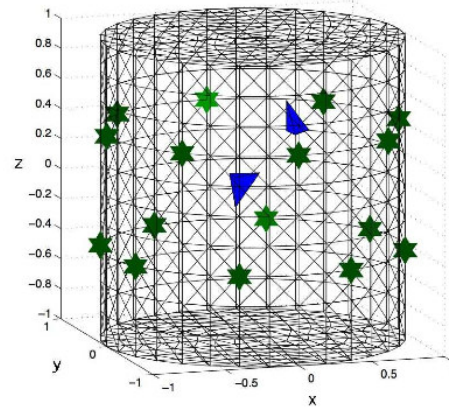
Human “paradoxical” breathing: 1.2 sec. increments



3D EIT Jacobian

- Jacobian calculation time increases exponentially for large 3-D FEM

Model pair	Elements	
	forward	inverse
A	7,680	1,536
B	15,360	3,072



3D EIT Jacobian

- Save time by calculating J directly from the FEM system matrix

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{Y}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{r})^{-1} \mathbf{Q}$$

$$\mathbf{Y}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{C}^{\top} \mathbf{D}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{C}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{S}_2 & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \mathbf{S}_{N_k} \end{bmatrix}$$

3D EIT Jacobian

- Derived J using rank-one asymmetric matrix perturbations

$$\mathbf{J}_m = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_1} \cdots \frac{\partial \mathbf{V}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_{N_e}} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}_i}{\partial \mathbf{r}} = \frac{2}{N_d!} \left[\frac{1}{|\det \mathbf{A}_i|} \left(\mathbf{b}^\top \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{a} \mathbf{B}_i^\top \mathbf{B}_i + \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_i^\top}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \mathbf{B}_i + \mathbf{B}_i^\top \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}_i}{\partial \mathbf{r}} \right) \right]$$

Model pair	Computation Time (ms)		Relative Norm
	Direct	Indirect	$\ \mathbf{J}_{\text{indir}} - \mathbf{J}_{\text{dir}}\ / \ \mathbf{J}_{\text{dir}}\ $
A	840	22,420	1.48×10^{-6}
B	1,460	41,430	1.57×10^{-6}

Thank you:

- ICEBI Graz Committee
- My supervisor: Dr. Andy Adler
- Bio-impedance scientific community