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#### Motivation









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#### Motivation: Collision Detection





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#### **Penetration Measures**



Continuous collision detection



Penetration volume - "the most complicated yet accurate method" [Fisher and Lin, 2001]



Translational penetration depth







#### **BVHs vs Voxels**

- BVHs
  - Easy to build
  - Fast, robust and exact
  - Complicated to compute penetration depth
  - Not fast enough for haptic applications [Mendoza et al, 2006], [Zhang et al, 2007], ...



Voxel based algorithms

- Fast enough for haptic interactions
- Independent of object complexity
- Memory consuming
- Aliasing artifacts

[McNeely et al., 1999]









#### Goal: Keep the Best of Both Worlds

CG VR

- Keep a single consistent data structures for moving and fixed objects
- Near constant running time and independency of objects complexity
- Stable model to compute continuous feedback forces
  - Keep the high accuracy of BVH algorithms
  - Avoid aliasing



CCG CCG

- Fill the object
  - from the inside
  - with non-overlapping spheres
- Build sphere hierarchy on inner spheres





#### **Generating Spheres**

- Requirements:
  - Space-filling sphere packing
    => polydispersity
  - Support of arbitrary objects
- Protosphere
  - Basic idea:
    - Prototype-based approximation of Voronoi diagram
    - Greedy insertion of spheres
  - Massively-parallel implementation on the GPU







#### Bounding Volume Hierarchy for Inner Spheres



- Construction: massively parallel Batch Neural Gas on the GPU
- SIMD-accelerated traversal



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- Performance and quality benchmarks
- Performance benchmark:
  - Cover large variety of different objects
  - and interesting contact scenarios
- Requirements quality benchmark:
  - Ground truth via analytical model
  - Typical contact configurations in force feedback or physically-based simulations















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#### **Results: Quality Benchmark**









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### Results: Quality Benchmark





 Color coded intensity of frequency (dark blue represents intensity of zero)

## Results: Performance Benchmark





#### Considerations on Complexity





 $O(n^2)$ 



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### **Considerations on Complexity**







#### Theoretical Fundament



- Lemma: A single sphere s can intersect only a constant number of disjoint spheres A that have at least the same radius.
- Theorem: The maximum number of intersecting pairs of spheres of two polydisperse sphere packings A and B with n spheres is in O(n).
  - Proof:















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## Applications: A Multi-User Haptic Workspace







- Two user bi-manual interaction
- >12 dynamic objects, triangle count > 2 Millions
- Stable 1000Hz simulation rate on normal consumer PC
- Game to evaluate the influence of the degrees of freedom in haptics



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## Applications: KNPTIK



 The first competitive 3D multiplayer game for both sighted and blind people



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### 6-DOF Haptics for Streaming Point Clouds





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## Applications: Collision Avoidance in Robotics







#### **Conclusions and Future Challenges**

- First algorithm to compute the penetration volume efficiently
- Independent of object complexity
- Worst case O(n) overlapping spheres
  - O(1) parallel time complexity
- <1 msec for > 200k spheres
- Continuous forces and torques
- Future works
  - Thin sheets
  - Deformable objects
  - Rendering
  - Application to other problems
    - Segmentation, Reconstruction,...









#### Thank You!













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Protosphere





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