

Tomographic imaging of displacement and strain fields: Current techniques and applications

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Outline



- 1-D to 3-D displacement/strain measurement
- Why 3-D strain?
- Techniques
- Comparative table
 - Spatial resolution, strain range, materials, penetration depth

1-D strain measurement



• Extensometer



• Resistive strain gauge



• Fibre Bragg sensors



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2-D strain measurement

- Arrays of 1-D sensors
- Grid method, Moiré
- Triangulation, photogrammetry
- Digital Image correlation
- Neutron diffraction
- X-ray diffraction
- Ultrasound
- Thermal stress analysis
- Photoelasticity
- Moiré Interferometry
- Speckle Interferometry

In-plane, out-of-plane and slope sensitivity

Static and dynamic applications

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3-D displacement measurement

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- 1-D embedded detector arrays (SGs and FBGs)
- 3-D strain gauge rosette
- Ultrasound
- X-Ray micro CT + DVC
- Magnetic Resonance Elastography
- OCT + DVC
- Wavelength Scanning Interferometry
- Tilt Scanning Interferometry
- 3-D Photoelasticity
- Other varieties of tomographic methods with DVC (PET, acousto-optic, ND, XD, FBG arrays, etc.)

Methods for 3-D strain imaging

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- Algorithms
 - Correlation
 - Phase detection

- Mechanical Stimuli used for perturbation
 - Quasi Static
 - Low frequency vibration (compressive/shear)

Why 3-D?



- Experimental data is needed to define and validate computer models
- Material characterization / identification of constitutive parameters. (Uniqueness issues)
- **3-D elastography** (virtual palpation)
- Relevant in medicine and biology (shear modulus G*)
 - In soft tissues, G* changes due to: Aging, Alzheimer's disease, Normal pressure hydrocephalus, Tumours, Multiple sclerosis, Scarring
- Engineering (Composites, functional materials, damage characterization, anisotropy)

The 3-D strain rosette, 1963





Baker, W. E. and R. C. Dove, "Construction and evaluation of a three-dimensional strain rosette." Experimental Mechanics, 3, 201-206 (1963)

The 3-D strain rosette, 2011





Mulvihill, D.M., et al., A Comparison of Various Patterns of Three-Dimensional Strain Rosettes. Strain, 47, e447-e456,(2011)

Ultrasound





- Send acoustic pulse (few MHz) and measure echo delay
- Compare 2 states to measure displacement
- Compare displacement at 2 points to measure strain

http://www.NYSORA.com

Ophir, J., et al., *Elastography: Imaging the elastic properties of soft tissues with ultrasound*. J. Med. Ultr., **29**, 155-171 (2002).

Ultrasound elastography example

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- Ovine kidney in-vitro
- Bright = 'soft'; dark = 'stiff'



Ophir, J., et al., Elastography: Imaging the elastic properties of soft tissues with ultrasound. J. Med. Ultr., 29, 155-171 (2002)

Ultrasound



- In soft tissues: K~2ρc (ρ: density, c:wave velocity ~1540m/s)
- Most attempts to map K distributions failed, as c nearly uniform in tissues (low contrast-to-noise ratio).
- Shear modulus G is the main parameter identified in US elastography.



Strain Filter concept





Depth and resolution





X-ray micro CT





Dr. Fredrik Forsberg, PhD Thesis, Lulea University, 2008

X-ray micro CT









X-ray intense source

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• Synchrotron facility

- Dynamic applications at high resolution



X-ray micro CT





Wood microstructure, $112 \times 112 \times 56 \ \mu m^3$

Dr. Fredrik Forsberg, PhD Thesis, Lulea University, 2008



	Synchrotron	Desktop systems	
Sample average diameter	<50 mm	<200 mm	
Spatial resolution max / typical	0.2 μm / 0.2 μm	0.5 μm / 5-10 μm	
Scan time	1 sec - 10 minutes	1-2 hours	

Depth and resolution





Magnetic Resonance Elastography



MRI

- Measure nuclear spin precession
- Encode position using magnetic field gradients (frequency proportional to magnetic field)
- Non-magnetic samples

MRE

- Visualize mechanical waves in tissue
- Wave velocity and wavelength depend on elastic modulus

Phase contrast measurement of shear waves





Atay, S.M., et al., *Measurement of the Dynamic Shear Modulus of Mouse Brain Tissue In Vivo by Magnetic Resonance Elastography.* Journal of Biomechanical Engineering, 2008. **130**(2): p. 021013-021013.

MRE



Detection of mm-amplitude harmonic motion requires synchronous actuation



Mouse brain





0' 0

500

1000

Frequency (Hz)

1500

2000

Clayton, E.H., J.R. Garbow, and P.V. Bayly, *Frequency-dependent viscoelastic parameters of mouse brain tissue estimated by MR elastography.* Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2011. **56**(8): p. 2391

Depth and resolution





Optical Coherence Tomography



polymer injection moulded part





26/53 Courtesy David Stifter, Upper Austrian Research GmbH

Optical Coherence Tomography





human skin



Optical Coherence Tomography







Measurement of 3-D corneal displacements using DVC + OCT

Motivation



To use corneal mechanical response, rather than only corneal thickness, as the criteria to perform refractive surgery.

Long term objective

- Measure internal 3D deformation field
- Identify depth-resolved constitutive parameters
- Predict corneal mechanical behaviour during/after ablative surgery



Methodology





Optical coherence tomography





1024 \times 512 \times 1024 voxels data volume Acquisition time ~ 3 minutes



Digital volume correlation



Volume divided into sub-volumes.

Displacement vector obtained from tracking and matching voxels between sub-volumes in reference and deformed states

Inflation test





Swept Source Optical Coherence Tomography system (Thorlabs OCS1300SS).

Porcine corneas inflated from 2 to 2.5 kPa

Inflation test





- 24³-voxel sub-volume, 50% overlap
- Inflated from 2 to 2.5 kPa

Displacement





Strain





Depth and resolution





OCT & DVC noise study







Wavelength scanning interferometry (phase detection) WSI

WSI with multiple illumination directions



3 illumination directions with offset OPDs

WSI with multiple illumination directions



Full paper:

Chakraborty, S. and P.D. Ruiz, J. Opt. Soc. Am. A, 2012. 29(9): p. 1776-1785.

Opaque surface, <u>one</u> illumination beam









WSI with multiple illumination directions



Theoretical $\delta\Lambda$ =68 µm; measured $\delta\Lambda$ = 70 µm

Evaluation of the Sensitivity matrix



- Flat opaque scattering surface used as datum
- Record full scan and perform pixel-wise FFT
- Orientation of the reconstructed surfaces for each illumination is used to evaluate illumination and sensitivity vectors



Vector transformation to find u, v, w





2) phase unwrapping and displacements





u, *v* and *w* are obtained by inverting the sensitivity matrix

Unwrapping algorithm:

Salfity, M.F., et al., Applied Optics, 2006. 45(12): p. 2711-2722.

Volume reconstruction: 1) Re-registration

• The complex volumes associated to all 3 sensitivity vectors are re-registered to a common coordinate system.



Validation of u(x, y, z); v(x, y, z) and w(x, y, z)





Validation results





OCT & DVC noise study







Tilt Scanning Interferometry (phase detection) TSI

















Tilt scanning interferometry: Setup





Tilt scanning interferometry: Setup







Time-varying intensity at two pixels



Wrapped phase maps





2000 1600 1400 1400 400 400

Left illumination

Right illumination



Horizontal in-plane displacement component

Out-of-plane displacement component



P. D. Ruiz et al (2006) *Proc. Roy. Soc. A*, 462, (2072):2481-2502

Displacement fields – experimental vs FEA









Finite Element Analysis

Horizontal cross-sections through contact point





Summary of measurement techniques



Technique	Materials	Minimum size of gauge volume	Displacement/strain sensitivity	Acquisition time
3D strain gauge	polymer model	> 1 mm ³	~10e-06	~1 μs (1 point)
Ultrasound	Tissues, metals, composites	~ 1 mm ³	~ 10e-03	~ and below 1 s 3-D US
MRE	Proton rich water-fat carbon possible?	(250 μm) ³	< 1 µm	4 ms/slice (spin tagging) Few minutes/slice (phase contrast)
Xray CT+DVC	foams, ceramics, granular materials, composites, bone	(1-10 μm) ³ (structure) (10-100 μm) ³ (displacement) (30-300 μm) ³ (strain)	~10e-04 - 10e-06	tens of minutes
OCT Phase contrast	optically translucent	<(10 µm)³	< 1 µm	10 μs A-scan (Spectral domain)
OCT + DVC	optically translucent	~(50 μm)³	~10e-04	~10 minutes per scan (full volume)



Thank you for your attention!