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RESHAPER: Reverse Engineering of Self-care and Healthcare Aids for Personalized Empowerment and Rehabilitation

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Mechanical design
Law and regulation*

Technological core

*3D Scanning
Geometry Processing
3D Printing*

Clinical target

*Rehabilitation
Orthoses
Hand*



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➤ Orthotic devices

- Hand, fingers and wrist



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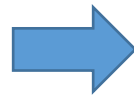
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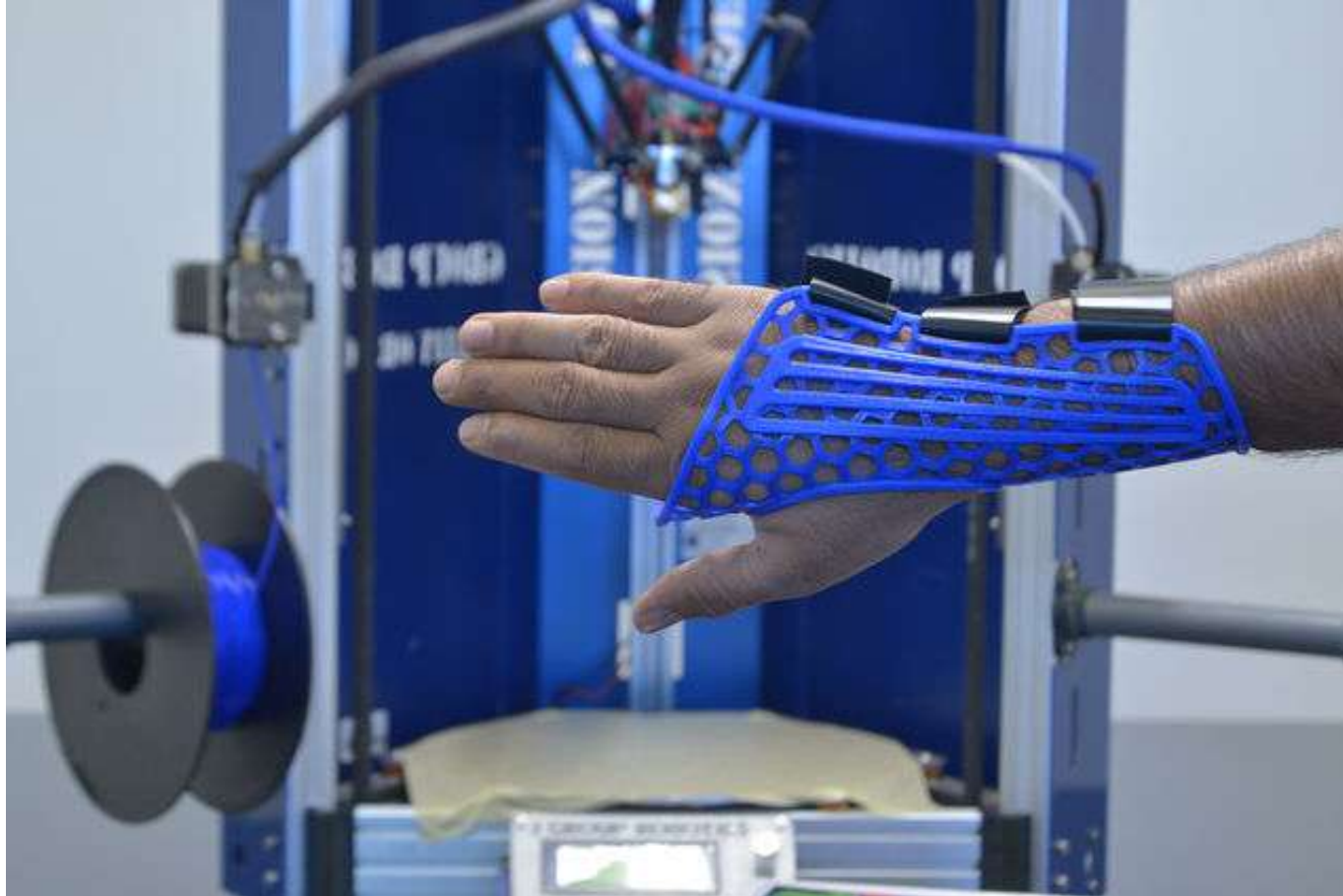
- 👍 Maintenance of proper hand and wrist posture
- 👍 Prevention of muscle and joint contracture
- 👍 Prevention of edema



Immobilization orthosis

- Custom additive manufacturing (3D printing) is *expanding* in orthopedic and rehabilitation applications
 - 👍 Improve comfort, compliance and tolerability
 - 👍 Reduce pain due to unfit devices

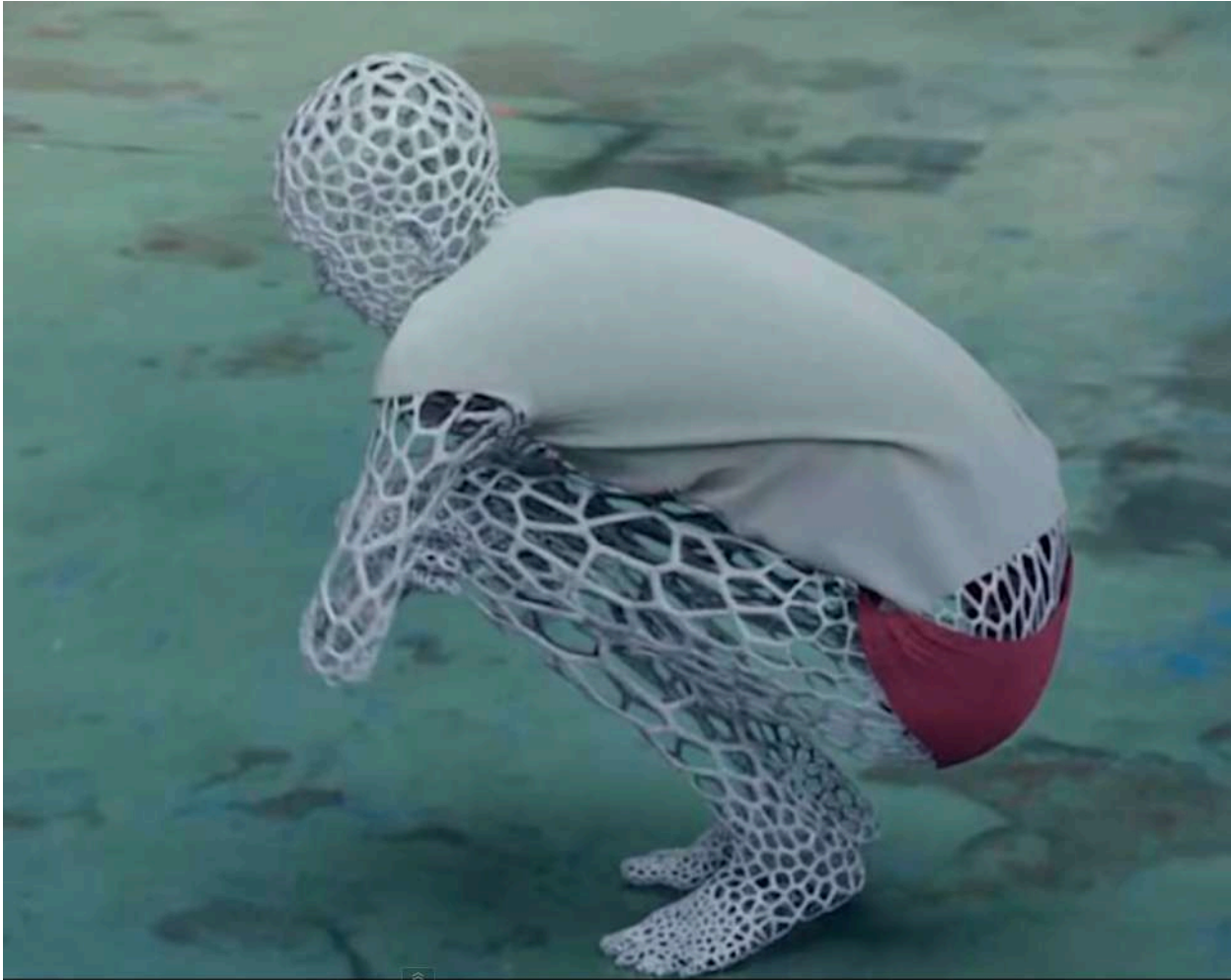
Personalized orthosis: *the 3D printing world*



Personalized orthosis: many examples on the web



Personalized orthosis: just 3D print it?



Personalized orthosis: The whole pipeline



Personalized orthosis: many unaddressed issues



<http://www.mobilab-research.be/efforth.html>

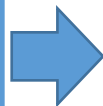
Then why aren't these new techniques not yet adopted in the orthopaedic workshops?

- One of the reasons for this is that **lead time, reproducibility and economic feasibility of the measuring and production processes** are not widely known.
- In addition, the **mechanical and functional properties of the final products** are not recognized for all the tools.
- Another reason is that **for some orthopaedic applications, intermediate steps** in the process of 3D scan to printed final product are missing or inaccessible for orthopaedic businesses.
- ...we additionally found that **other main issues** also interest the end-points of the process: i.e. **3D anatomy scanning** and **3D printing** and **regulatory framework**

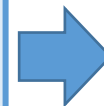
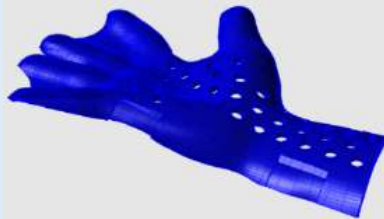
RESHAPER *reverse engineering* pipeline



Acquisition of the anatomy of the subject



Processing of the acquired geometry



3D printing of the orthosis

G. Baronio, S. Harran, and A. Signoroni, ***A critical analysis of a hand orthosis reverse engineering and 3D printing process***,

Applied Bionics and Biomechanics, 2016

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[G Baronio](#), [S Harran](#), [A Signoroni](#) - Applied bionics and biomechanics, 2016 - hindawi.com

The possibility to realize highly customized orthoses is receiving boost thanks to the widespread diffusion of low-cost 3D printing technologies. However, rapid prototyping (RP) with 3D printers is only the final stage of patient personalized orthotics processes. A reverse engineering (RE) process is in fact essential before RP, to digitize the 3D anatomy of interest and to process the obtained surface with suitable modeling software, in order to produce the virtual solid model of the orthosis to be printed. In this paper, we focus on the specific and ...

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RESHAPER *issues requiring more attention and new ideas*



Acquisition of
the anatomy of
the subject

Acquisition of real patients involves challenging issues...

- **spasticity**: post-stroke, x-plegic subjects
- involuntary/impaired **movements**

...after all **orthoses are not for healthy subjects**

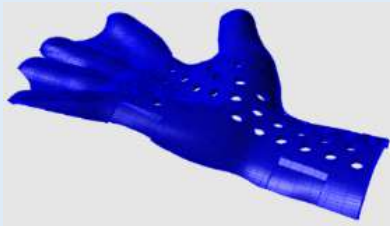


RESHAPER *issues requiring more attention and new ideas*

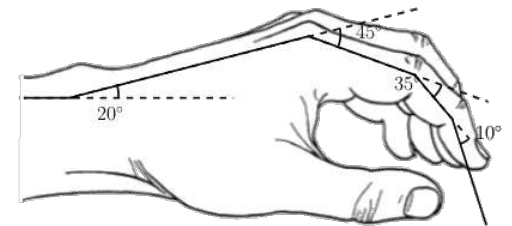
- Acquisition generates 3D meshes in output,
 - 3D printing wants 3D meshes in input...
- ➔ we want to **avoid data domain conversions** (thus **avoiding ordinary CAD based design**)

User-driven design process entirely done in the mesh domain by setting up a dedicated **geometry processing toolbox** and a **versatile user interface**

Processing of the acquired geometry



We aim to introduce **added value** for clinicians (rehabilitation therapists) and enable **new kind of personalized orthosis design** and fabrication processes



New **mesh deformation approach** for **hand pose normalization** and **4D orthosis design**

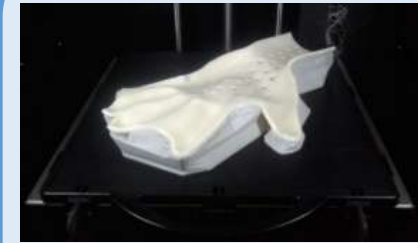
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Material selection and 3D printing

- aware of patient **comfort** and **compliance** issues
- **mechanical properties**
- **accountability, medico-legal** and **device certification** aspects
- Integration with to **IoT** perspective

Various **feedbacks** toward the previous stages in terms of how the device fits patient and clinical needs

- suitable mesh accuracy for comfort
- mechanical resistance (crack tests on different materials)
- aeration patterns and aesthetics
- ...



3D printing of the orthosis



- *University of Brescia*
RESHAPER project co-funder

Information Engineering Department
Industrial and Mechanical Engineering Dept.
Justice and Law department



- *Open technologies Srl*



RESHAPER project co-funder and scanning technology provider (real-time scanner)



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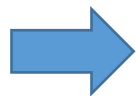
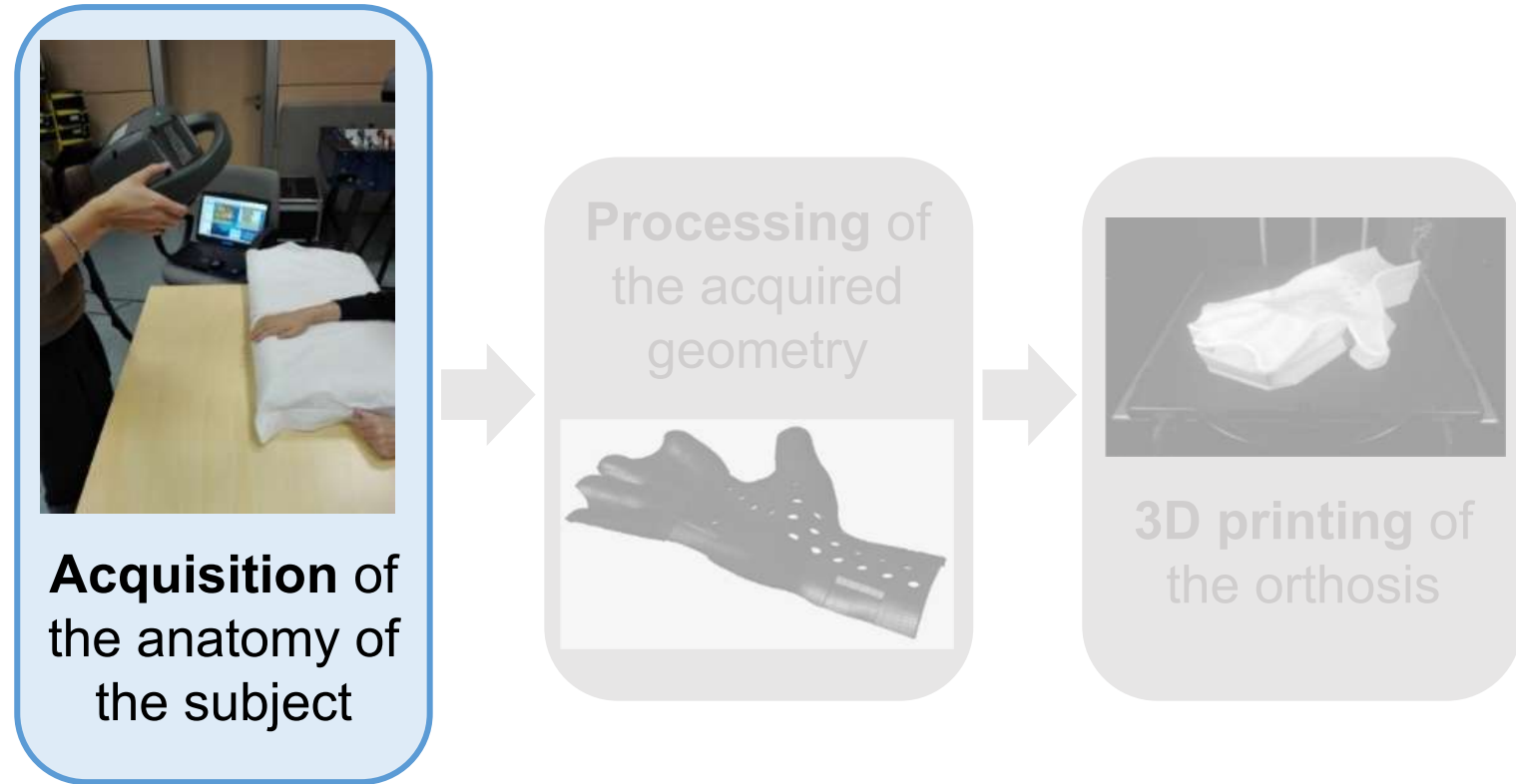
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First step first... 3D hand modeling



FOCUS → identification of suitable **acquisition procedures** for **3D hand modeling** for both **healthy and clinical subjects**

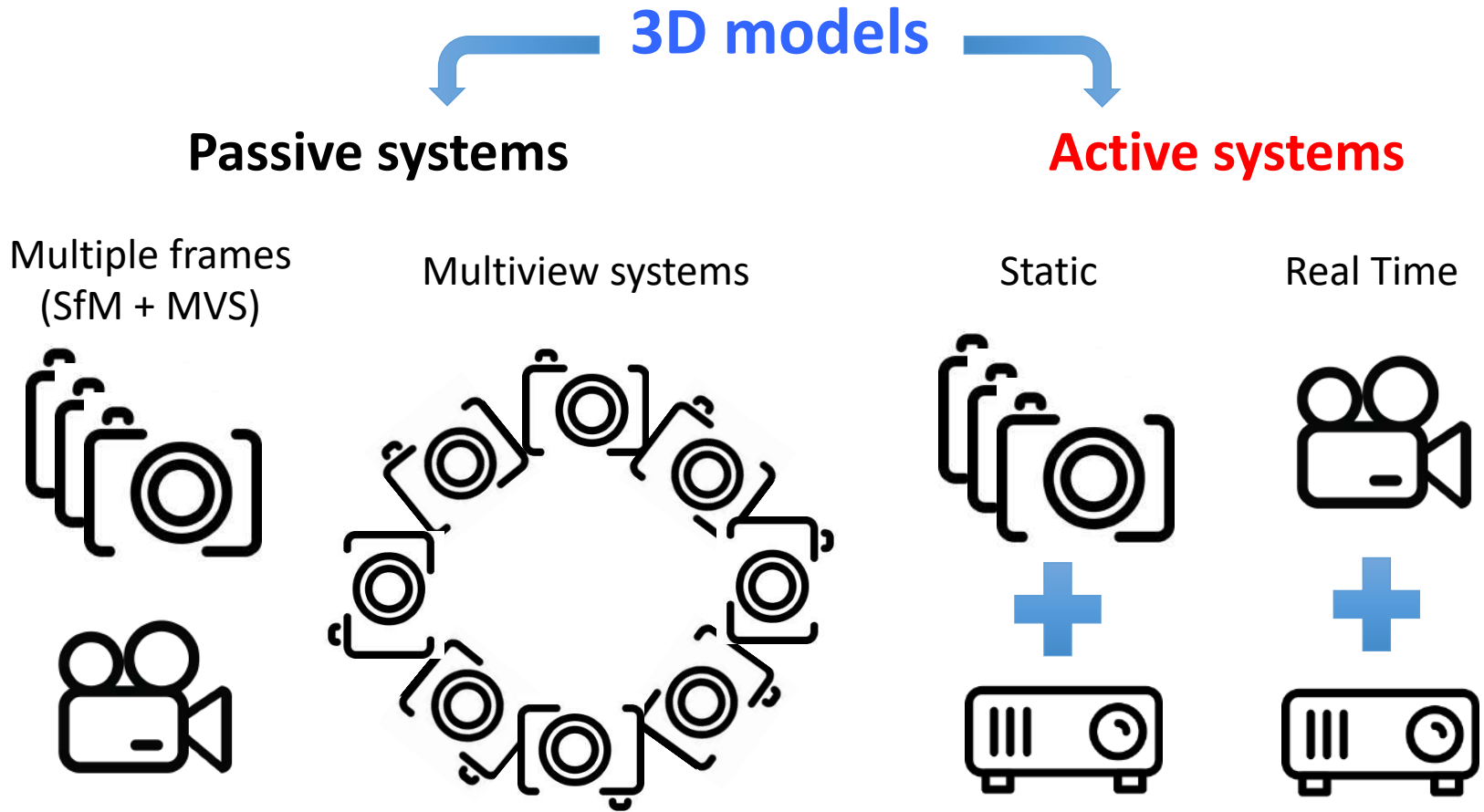
3D Hand modeling: contact procedures



- ✔ High accuracy
- ✔ Low to moderate-cost
- ✘ Invasive methods
- ✘ Slow data collection
- ✘ Distortion of soft objects



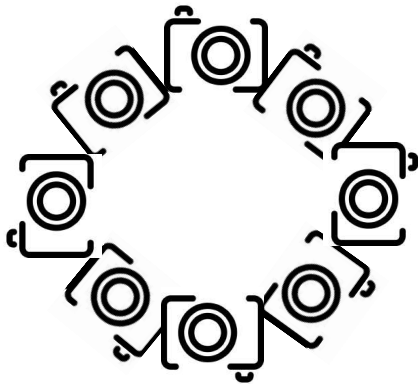
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Passive systems (with possible active projection of markers)

- *Stereo-photogrammetry* → Multiple photos from different points of view and taken synchronously
 - ✔ Single shot data collection
 - ✔ No hand motion influence
 - ✘ Bulky and not easily transportable
 - ✘ Quite expensive
 - ✘ **Requires specific hand pose...
not feasible for many patients**



3D Hand modeling: *non*-contact procedures

Active systems

- *Optical 3D scanner* → Use of **structured-light** to capture 3D views from different point of view to be merged in a single model

👍 Acquisition flexibility

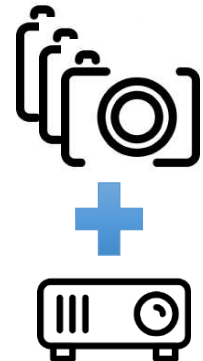
- 👍 Incremental and controllable completion of the model with additional views
- 👍 High level of detail
- 👍 Hand held or transportable

- 👎 Acquisition can take minutes
- 👎 Expensive (with exceptions)
- 👎 **Hand motion influence** (with possible solutions)



3D optical scanner comparison for hand modeling

➔ **Cronos 3D Dual**, by *Open Technologies Srl*, Rezzato (BS), Italy



- **Static**
- used with a tripod

➔ **Insight3**, by *Open Technologies Srl*, Rezzato (BS), Italy



- **Real-time**
- hand-held



Scanner technologies comparison

Cronos 3D Dual

Procedure

1. Hand positioning



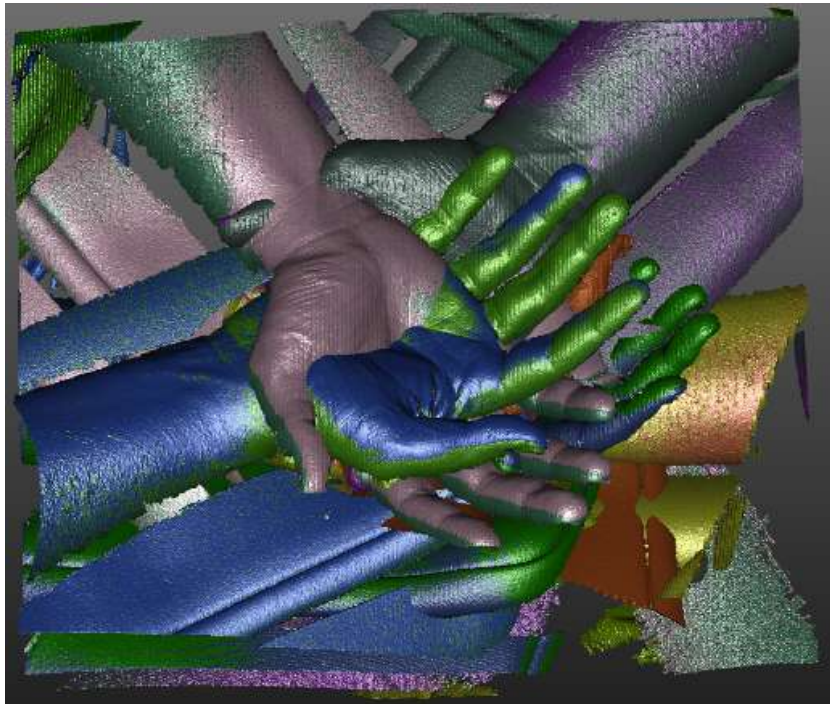
- Structured-light static scanner
- High accuracy ($\pm 30\text{-}60 \mu\text{m}$)
- Used on a tripod

Scanner technologies comparison

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Procedure

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2. Acquisition from different viewpoints



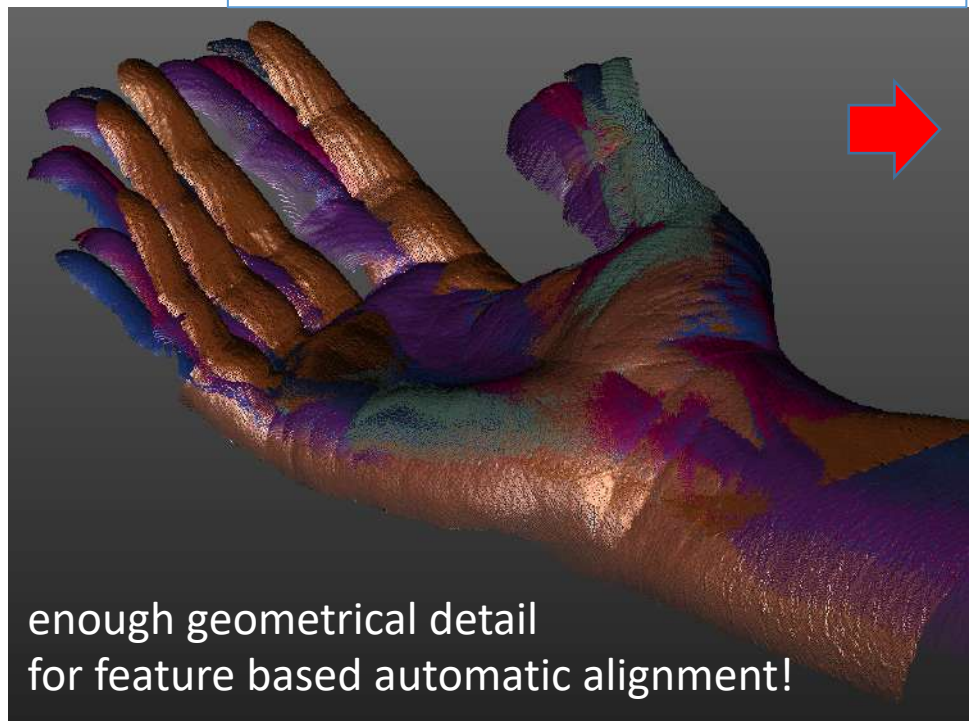
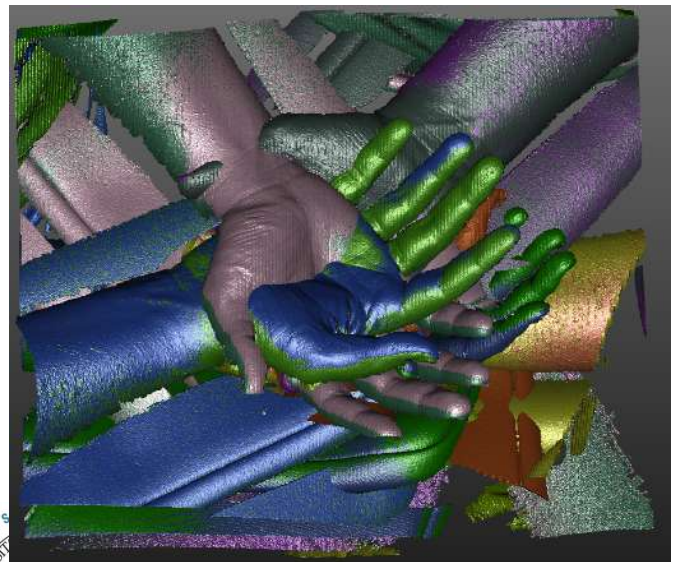
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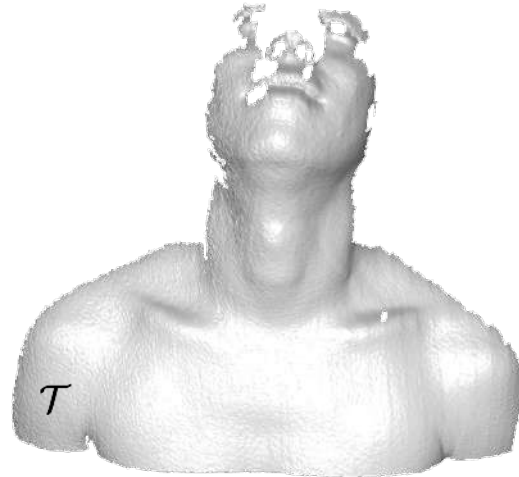
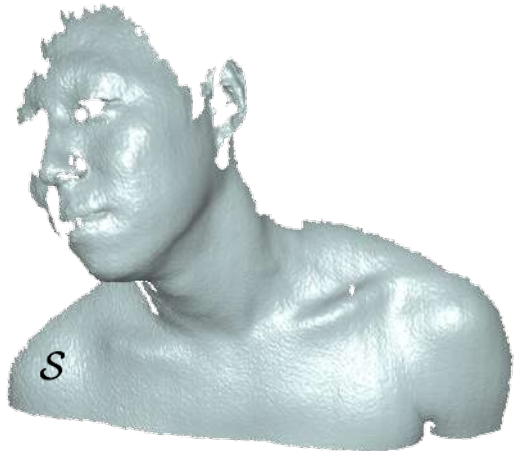
Procedure

- 1. Hand positioning
- 2. Acquisition from different viewpoints
- 3. Automatic (3D feature based) multiview alignment

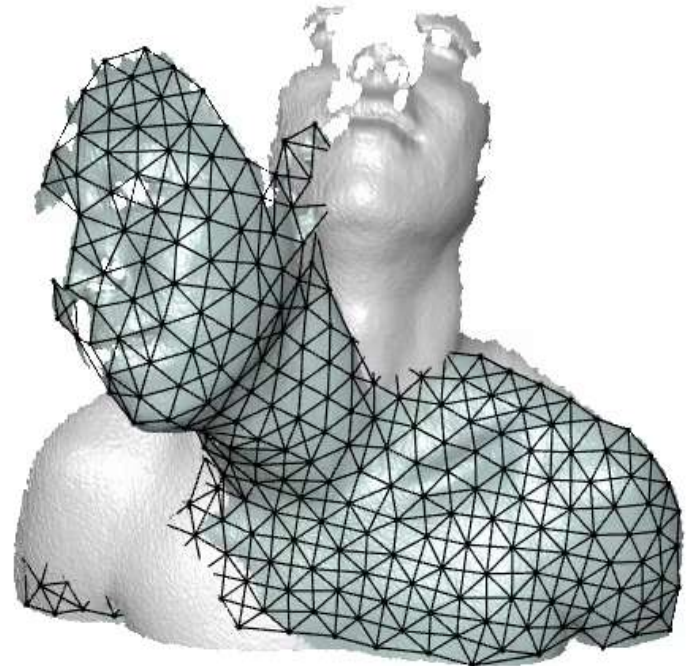
F. Bonarrigo, A. Signoroni and R. Leonardi, *A robust pipeline for rapid feature-based pre-alignment of dense range scans*, ICCV 2011



Deformable registration of “partial scans”



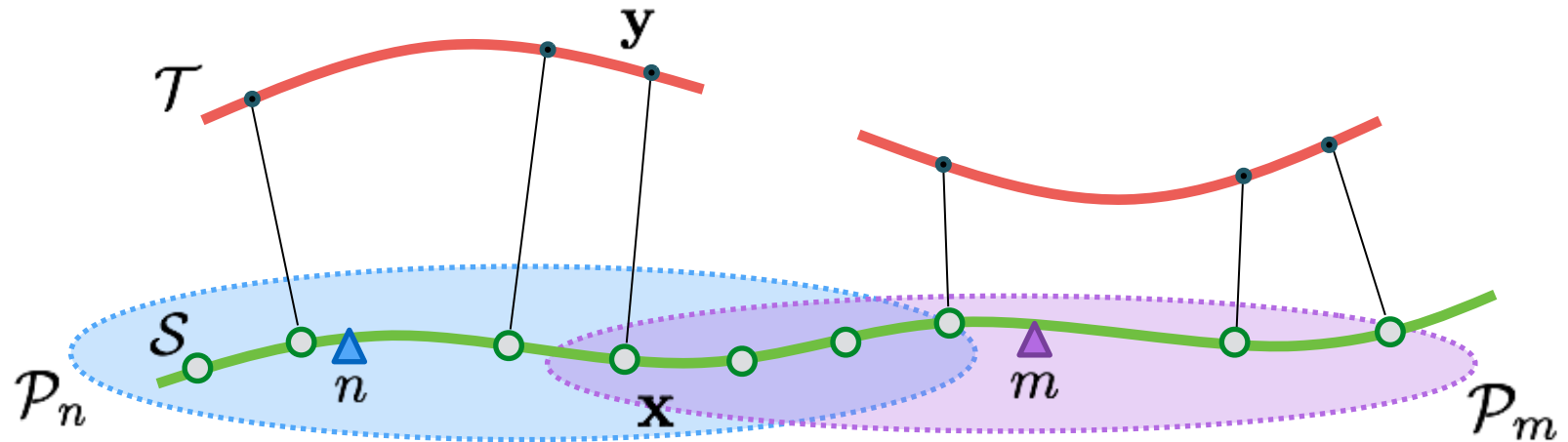
- Incomplete scan
 - space deformation
- Large deformation
 - nonlinear energy
- Complex geometry
 - node subsampling
- Deform detailed scan
 - interpolate node transforms



Deformable Registration

as-rigid-as-possible patch alignment

F. Bonarrigo, A. Signoroni and M. Botsch,
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 wise shape matching*, Graphical Models,
 2014



$$E_{\text{fit}} = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \sum_{(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathcal{C}_n} \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_n \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}_n - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{|\mathcal{N}| \cdot |\mathcal{C}(n)|} \quad \text{displacement penalty}$$

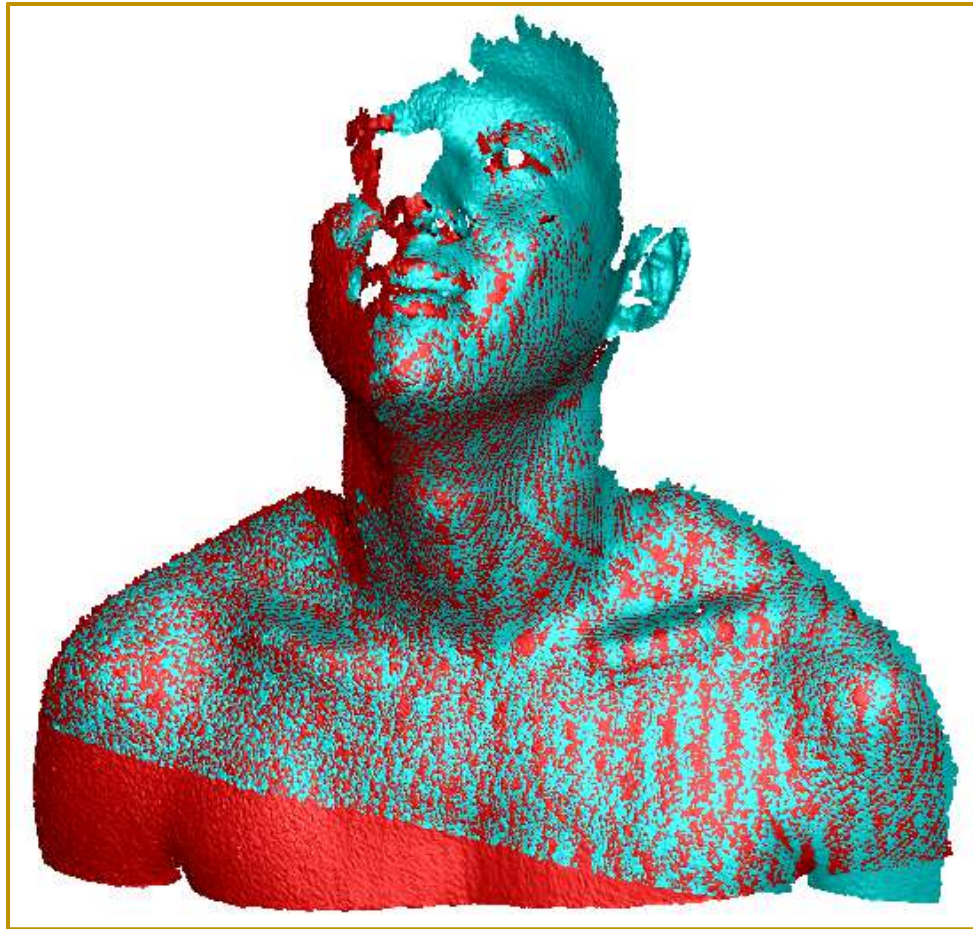
$$E_{\text{def}} = \sum_{n \in \mathcal{N}} \sum_{m \in \mathcal{N}} \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in P_n \cap P_m} \frac{\|\mathbf{R}_n \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}_n - \mathbf{R}_m \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{t}_m\|^2}{|\mathcal{N}| \cdot |\mathcal{N}| \cdot |P_n \cap P_m|} \quad \text{transform discrepancy penalty}$$

$$E_{\text{total}} = (1 - \lambda) \cdot E_{\text{fit}} + \lambda \cdot E_{\text{def}}$$

Deformable Registration

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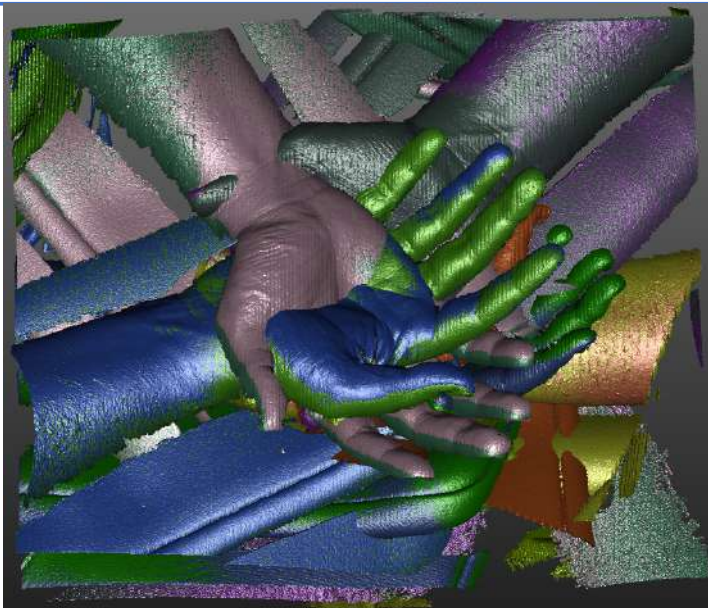
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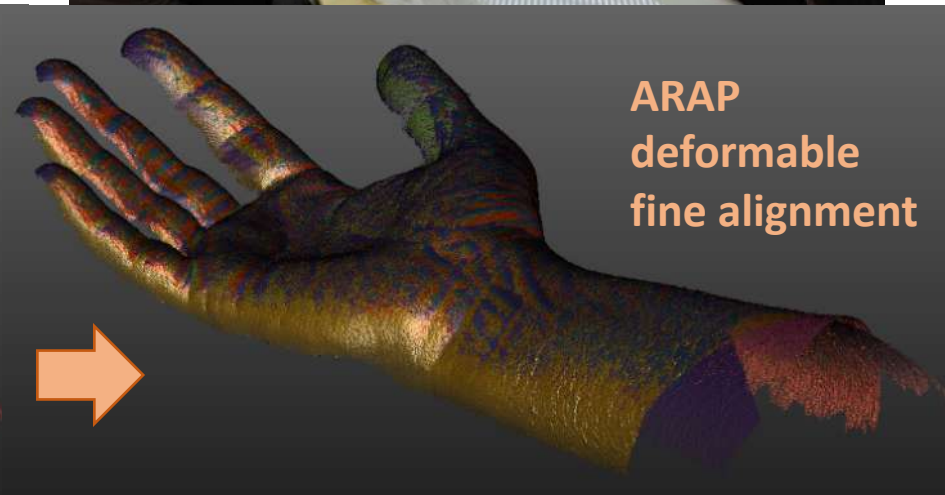
Iter = 30

Deformable Registration

ARAP alignment: Hand Motion Compensation



coarse
alignment

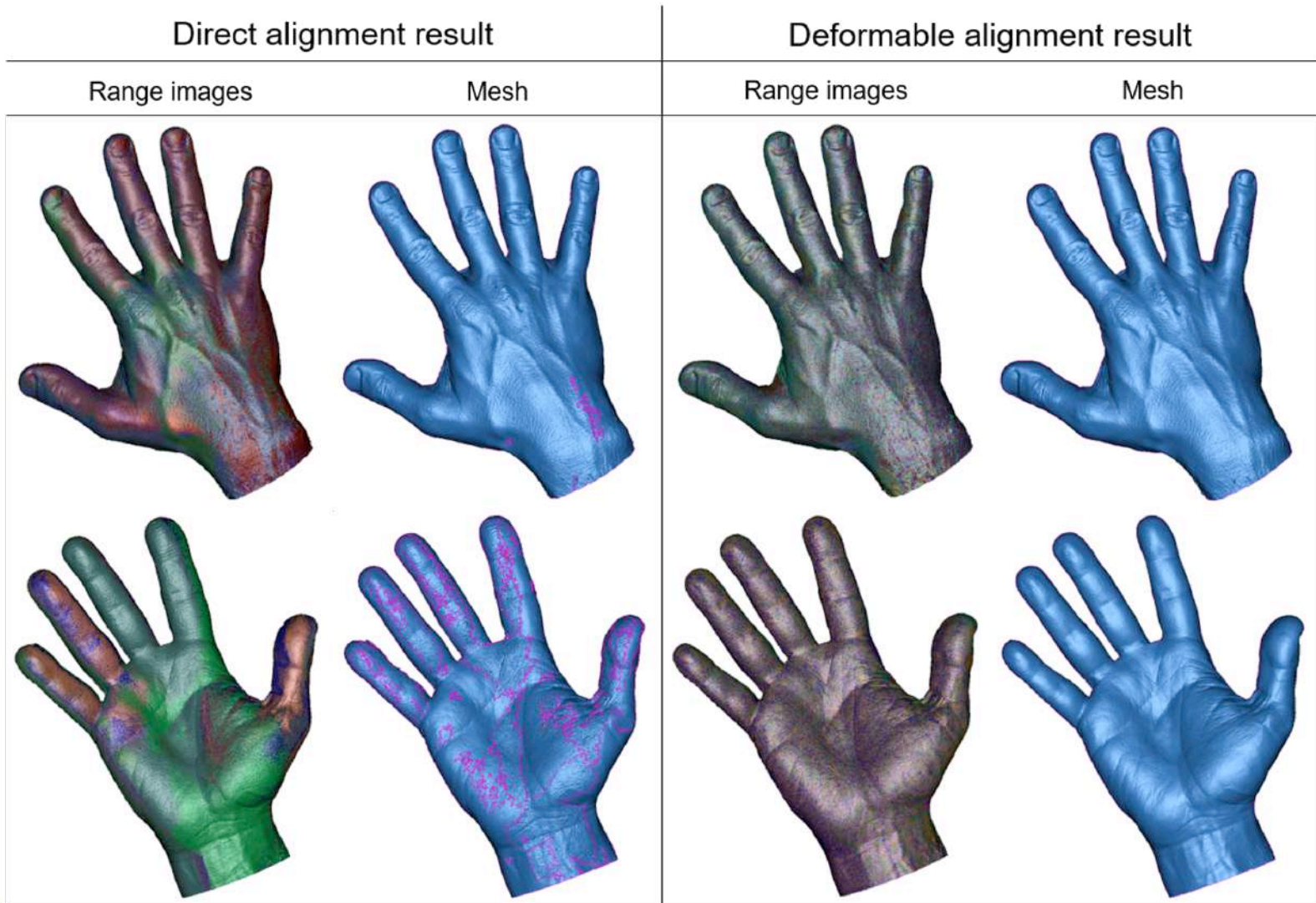


ARAP
deformable
fine alignment



Deformable Registration

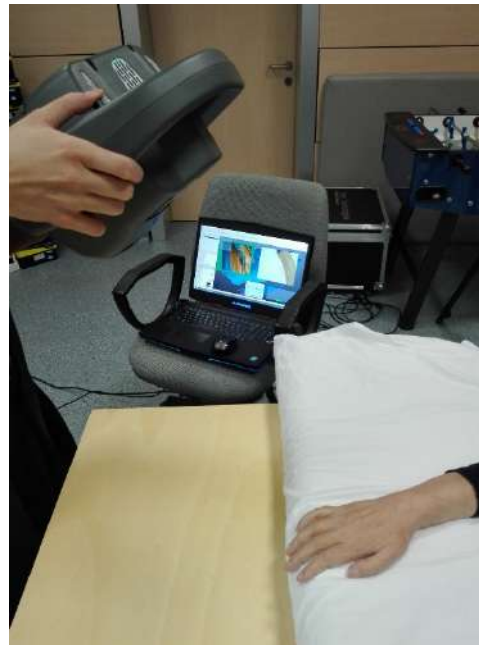
ARAP alignment: Hand Motion Compensation



Scanner technologies comparison

Insight3

- Real-time scanner (like a video-camera)
- Fixed structured-light technology (infrared range)
- Lower accuracy ($\pm 0.25\text{-}0.5$ mm)
- *Markerless* frame tracking



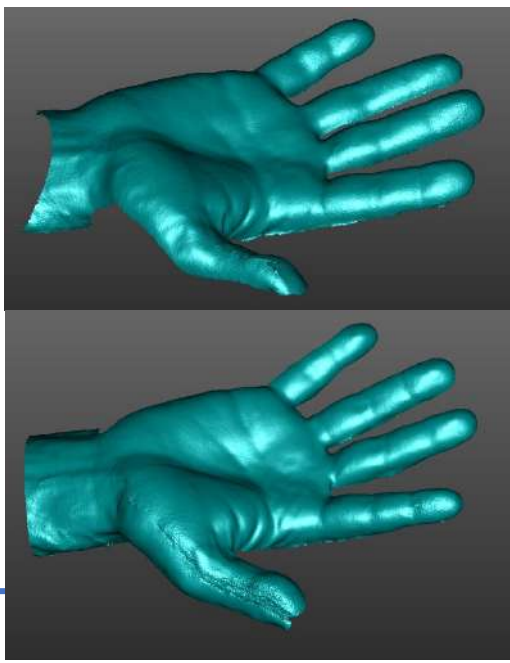
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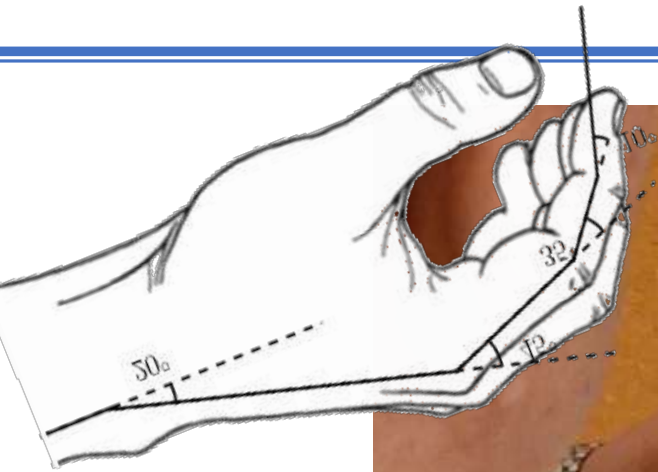
Procedure

1. Hand positioning
2. Scanner is moved slowly and smoothly around the geometry to be scanned
3. Real-time visual feedback (Optical RevEng software, Open Technologies Srl)
4. Influence of subject movements → immobilization needed

Use or better design (as we are doing) of suitable and comfortable pose maintenance devices







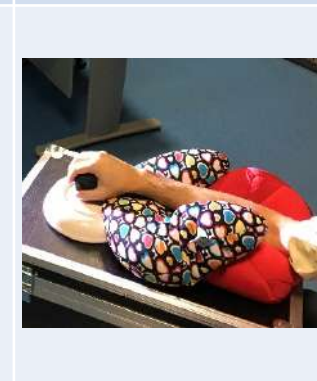
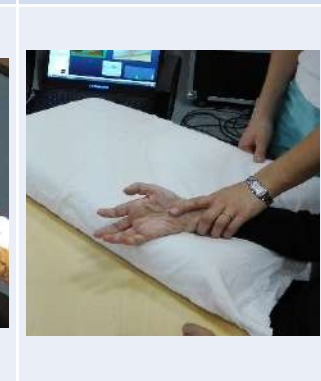
Hand-holding device



- our first 3D printed holding device in action on a post-stroke patient
- designed starting from anatomical landmarks and clinical parameters
- it allows acquiring enough anatomy to drive the orthosis design
- can be used also for dorsal side acquisition

Practical tests

Experiments are a combination of:

Scanner		Scanned surface		Target	
Static	Real-time	Palmar side	Dorsal side	Volunteer	Patient
					

Aspects of major interest:

- Ease of use
- Total acquisition time
- Completeness and accuracy of the final geometry

Volunteers' hands

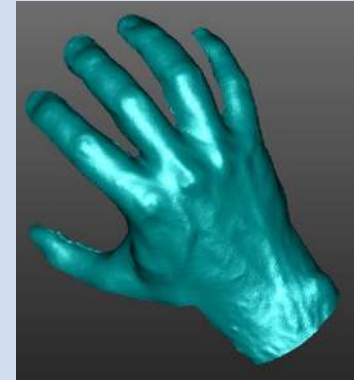
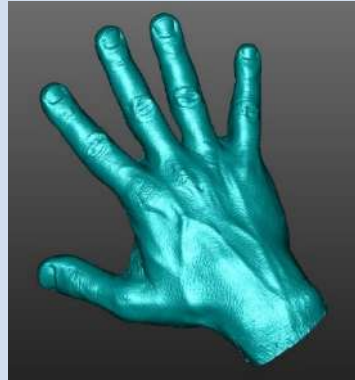
STATIC SCANNER

- 8 views
- < 3 min
- Deformable alignment needed

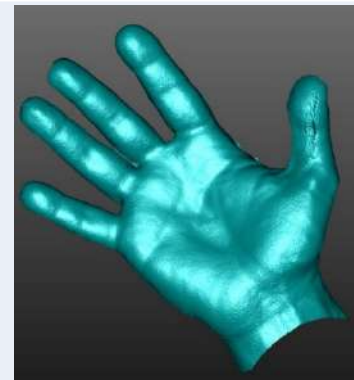
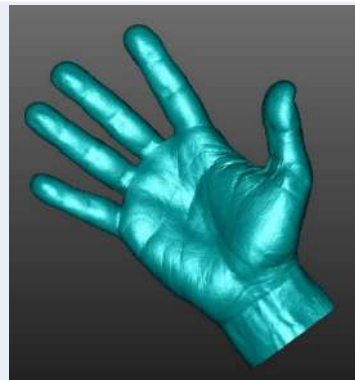
REAL-TIME SCANNER

- ~ 1 min
- Slight thumb movement in palmar side

Dorsal side



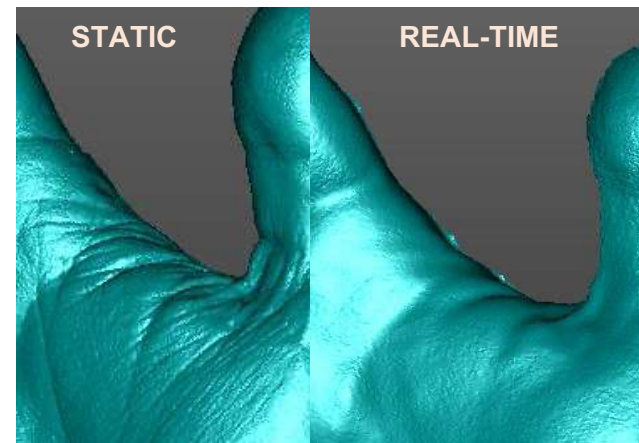
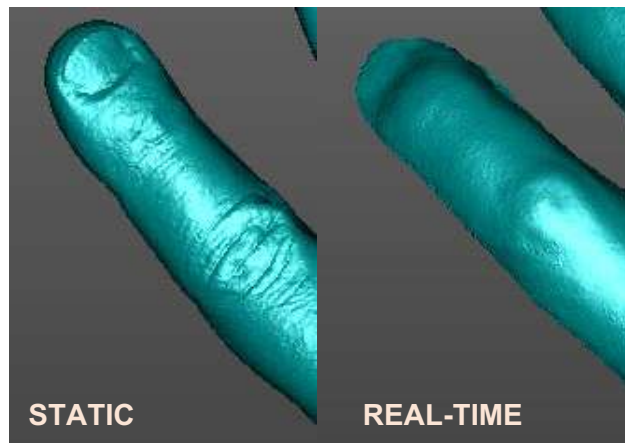
Palmar side



Considerations

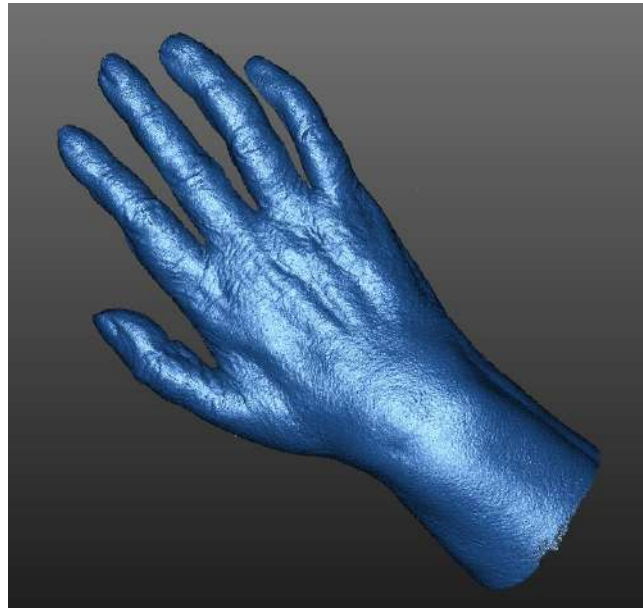
➔ Hand/fingers **scanning** for orthotic application is totally **suitable** with both scanner technologies.

	Static scanner	Real time scanner
Acquisition time	+	+++
Comfort for the patient	++	+++
Movements influence	++	+
Level of detail of the mesh	+++	++



Patients' hands – dorsal side

➔ Low spasticity → easy scanning and good results



Static scanner:

- 7 views
- ~ 4 min
- Deformable alignment not needed



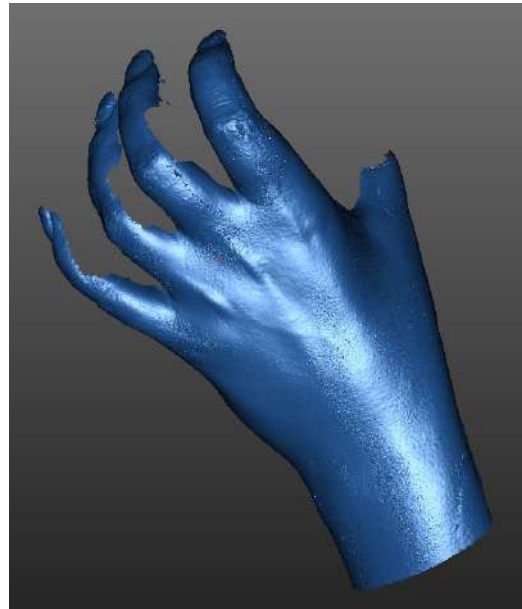
Real-time scanner:

- ~ 2 min
- No movement artefacts

Patients' hands – dorsal side

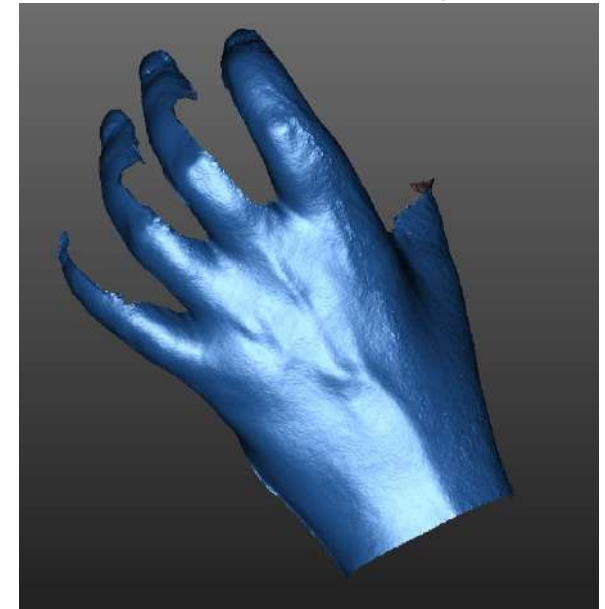
➔ Low spasticity → easy scanning and good results

➔ Greater spasticity → use of immobilization splint → some lacking area



Static scanner:

- 12 views
- ~ 3 min
- Deformable alignment not needed

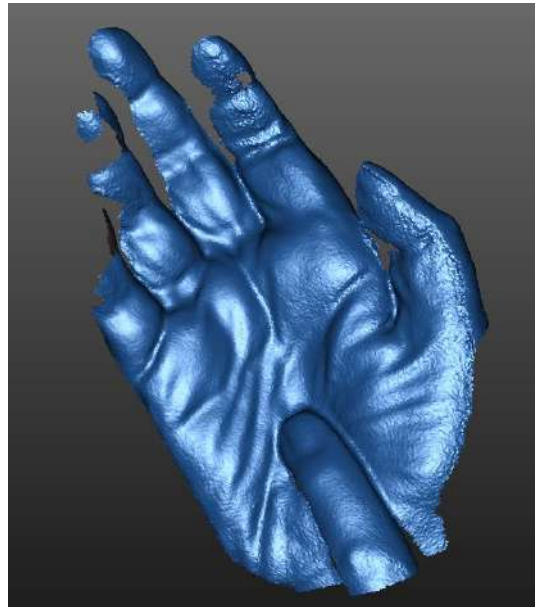


Real-time scanner:

- ~ 2 min 30 s
- No movement artefacts

Patients' hands – palmar side

➔ Problematic aspect: hand tends to close



Real-time scanner:

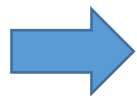
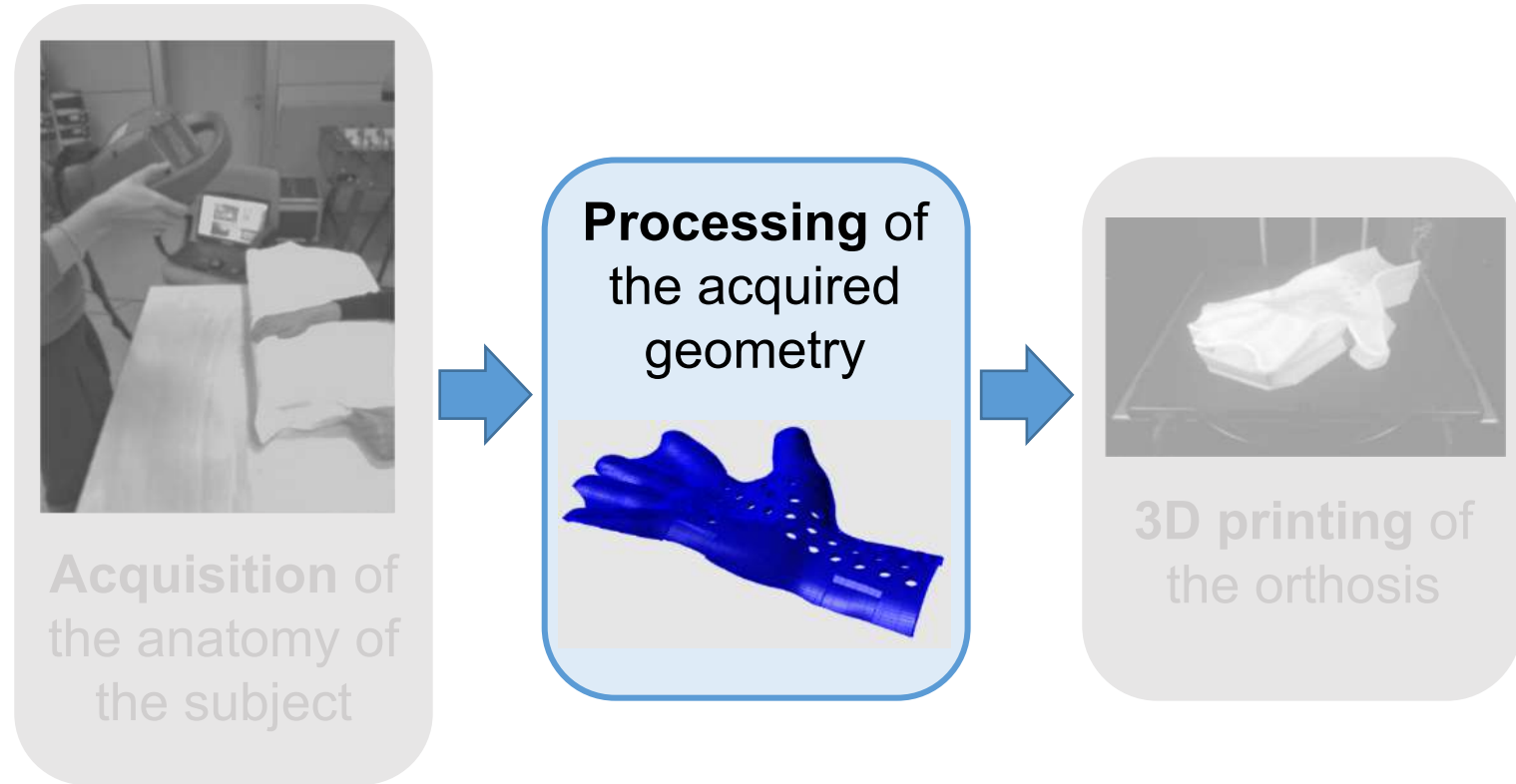
- ~ 2 min
- Visible thumb movements



Static scanner:

- 10 views
- ~ 3 min
- Deformable alignment needed

Second step... 3D hand “processing”



FOCUS 1 → *from the hand scanning to the orthosis*

FOCUS 2 → *virtual deformable manipulation* and 3D model corrections for *customizable and progressive therapy*

FOCUS1: From the hand scanning to the orthosis

- Two possible ways

Personalized orthosis by device adaptation

- 1) Standard orthosis
- 2) Hand scanning
- 3) Size fit and adaptation



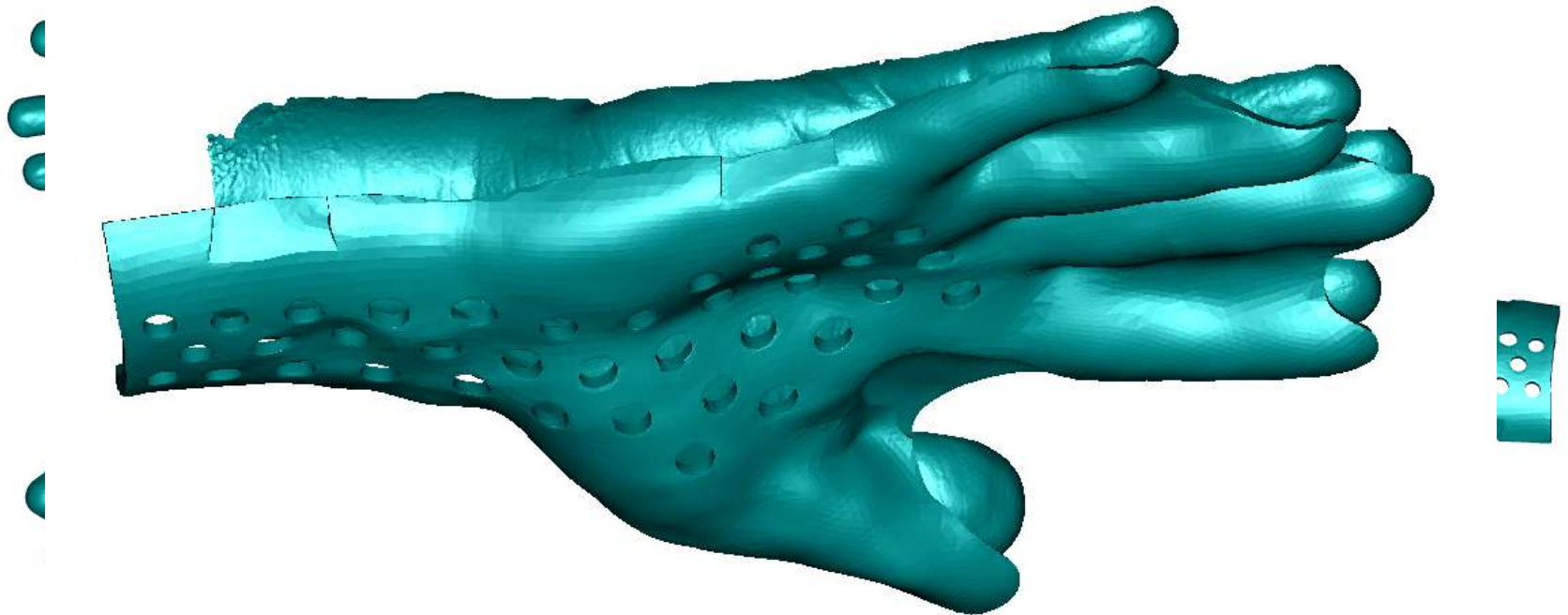
Personalized orthosis directly from the anatomy

- 1) Hand scanning
- 2) Direct mesh processing
- 3) Device production



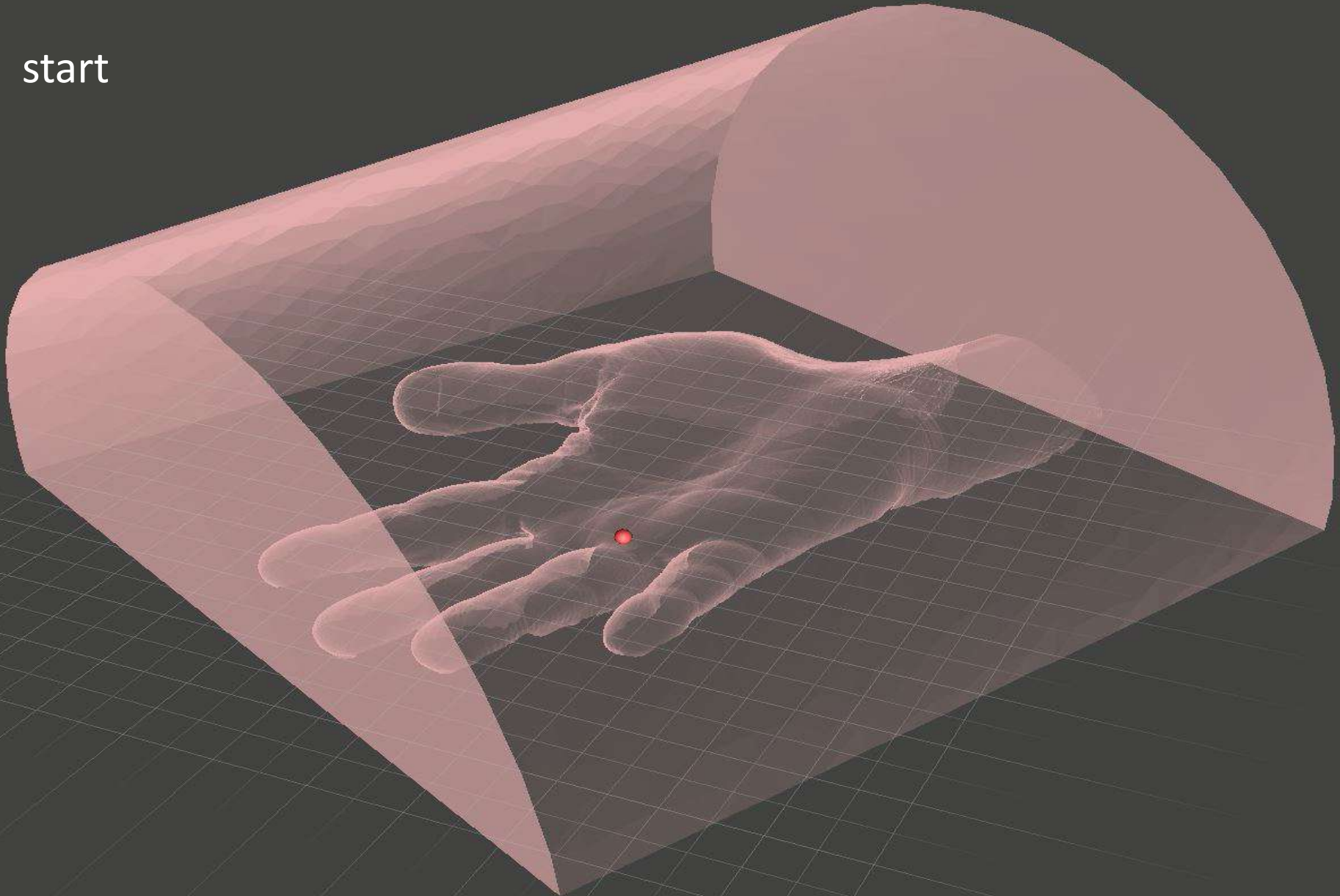
Personalized orthosis by device adaptation

WRAPPING (StilleWerkim, PROGRESScus):
for adapting a mesh over another one



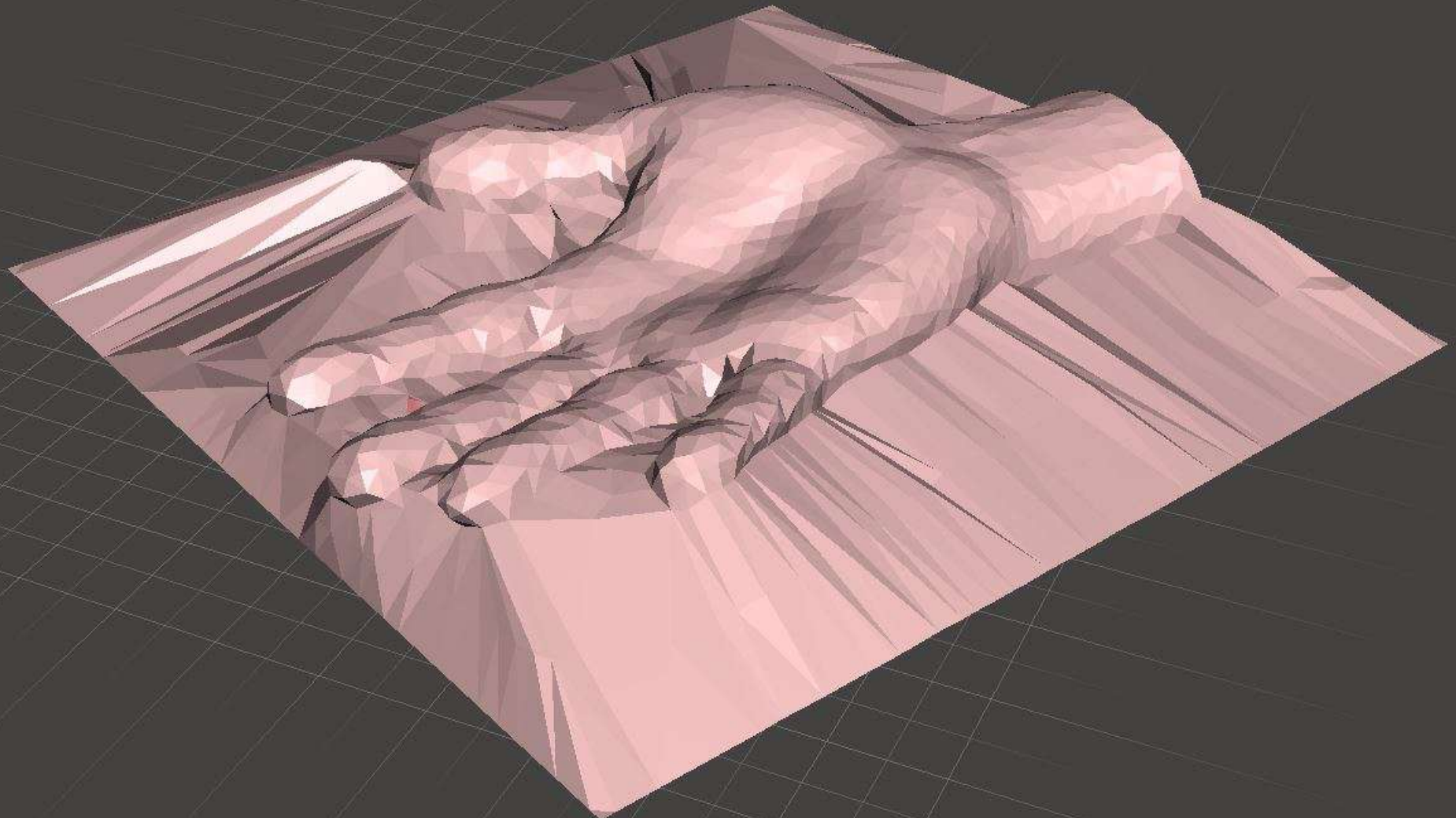
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start



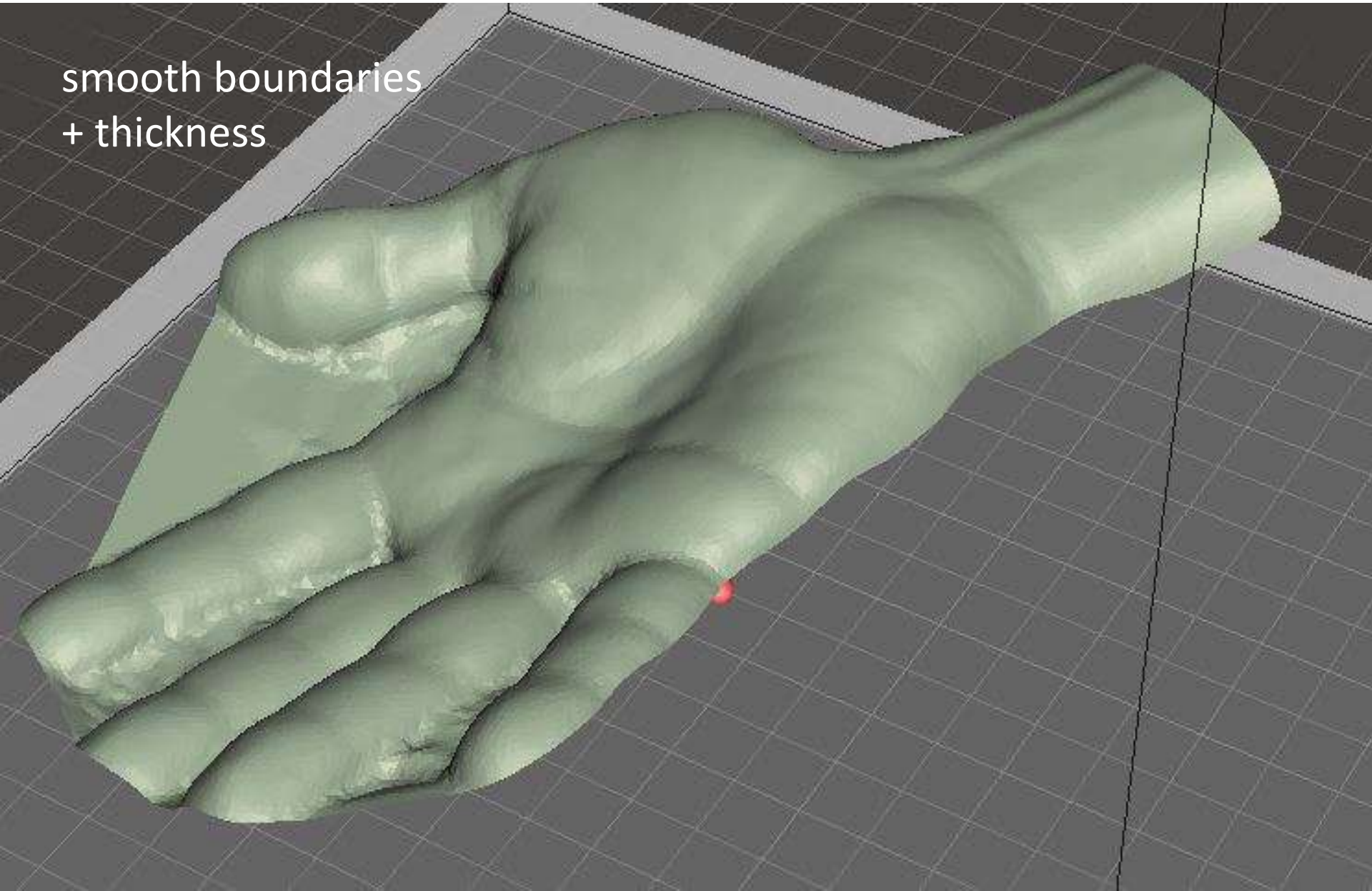
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attract



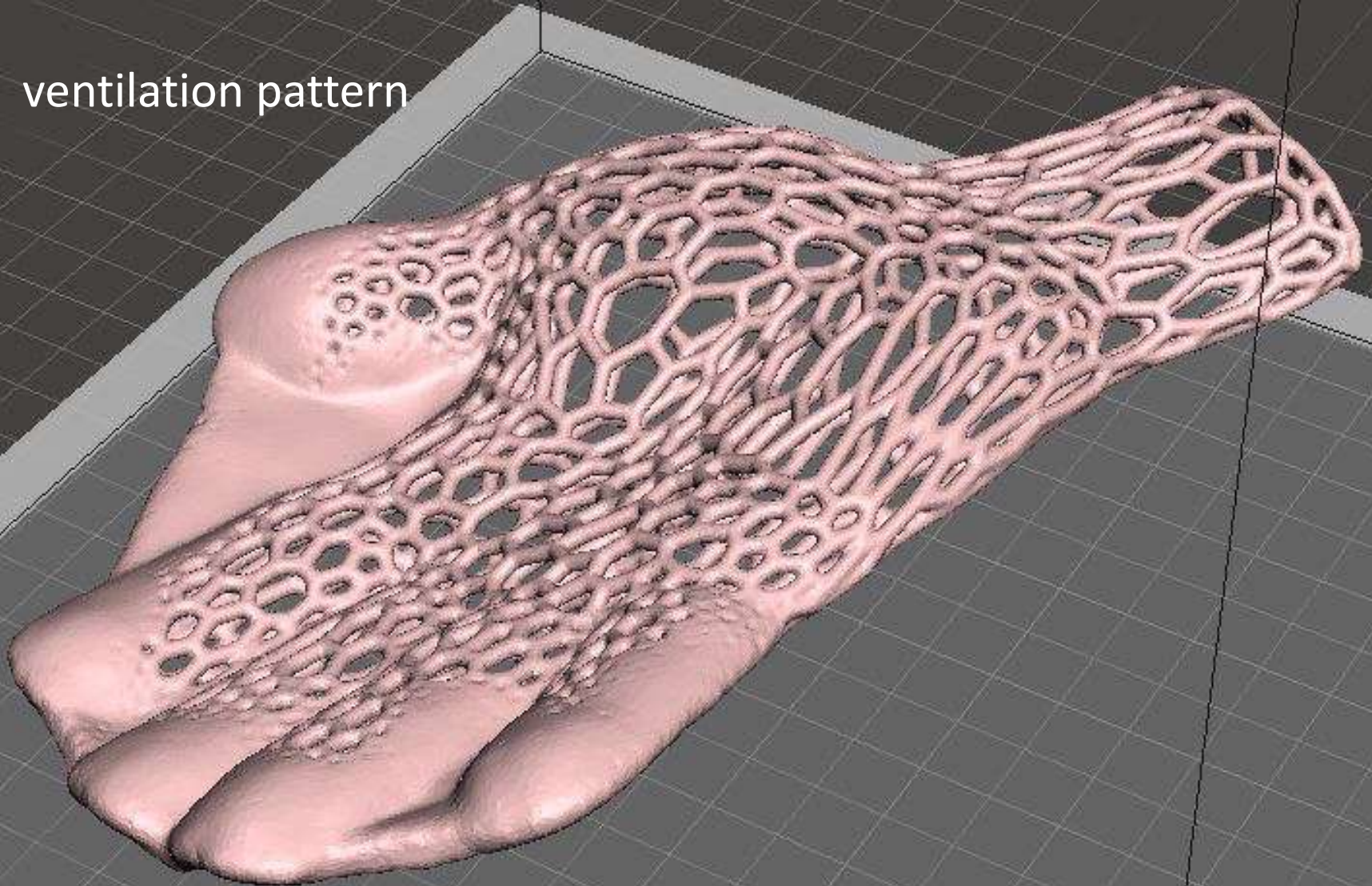
Personalized orthosis directly from the anatomy

smooth boundaries
+ thickness



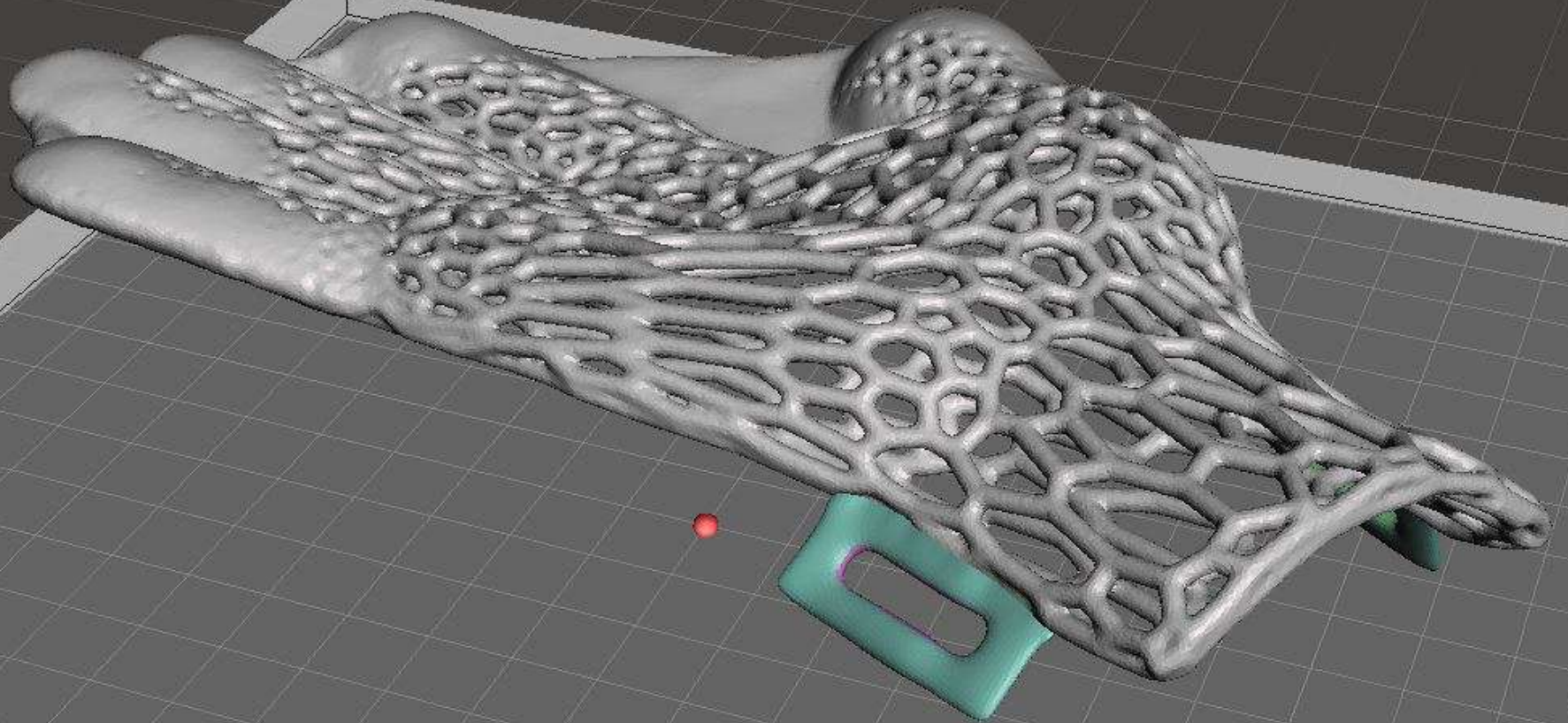
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ventilation pattern



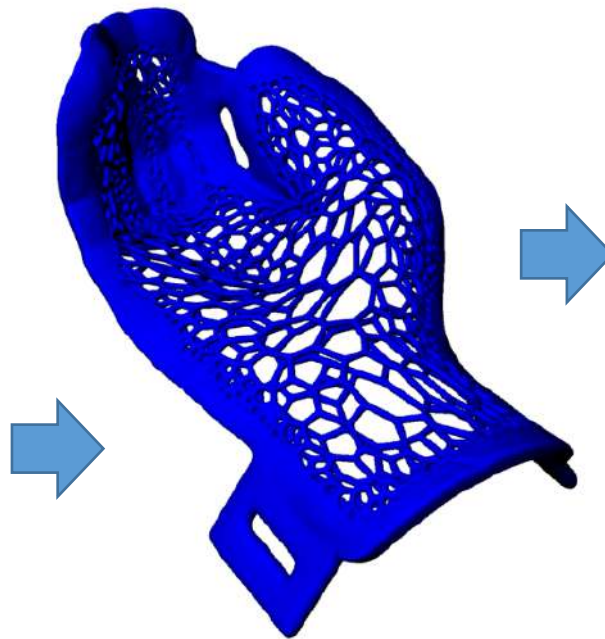
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fixing loops

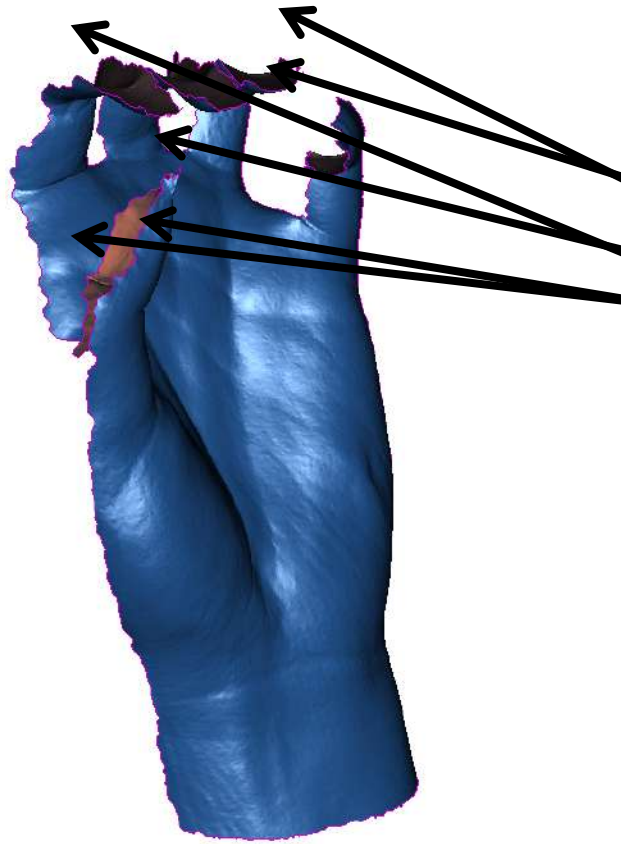


Personalized orthosis directly from the anatomy

Processo **Reverse Engineering**/**Rapid Prototyping** complessivo



FOCUS2 hand deformation and progressive 4D design



need to “move” fingers
to correct the initial
posture and/or
design a set of
orthoses that evolves
with time for a
progressive therapy

Deformation - Motivations

Why deformation?

1. Patient difficulties to keep the hand in a good position

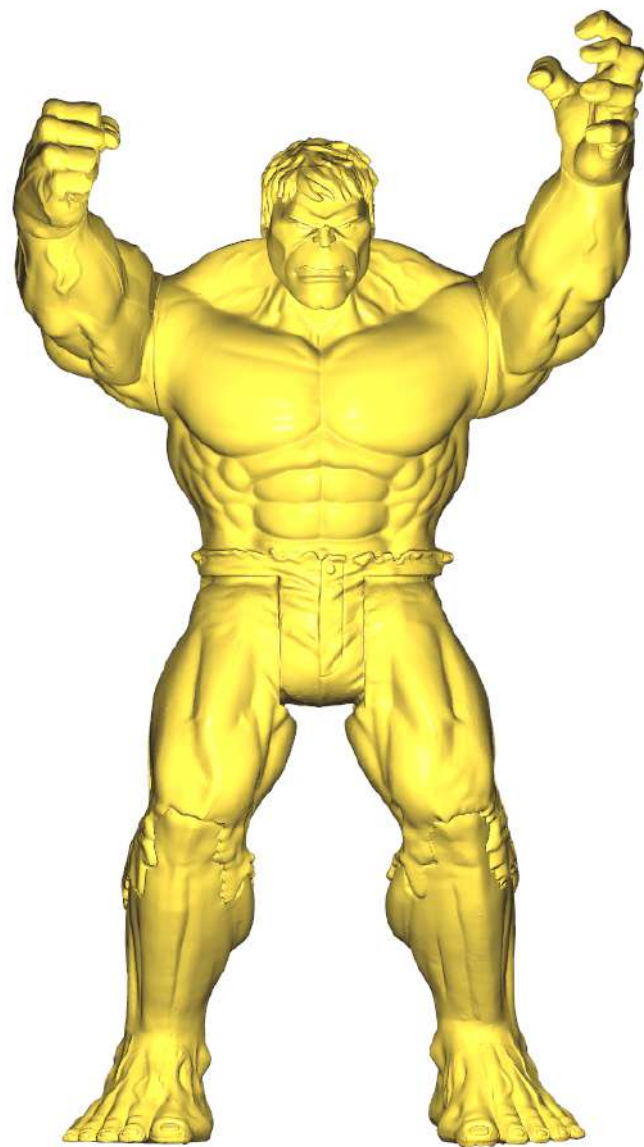
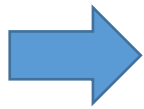
2. Need to plan a progressive therapy



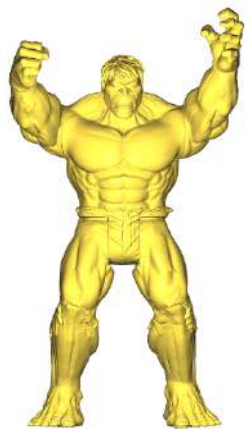
MESH Deformation

Graph

INPUT

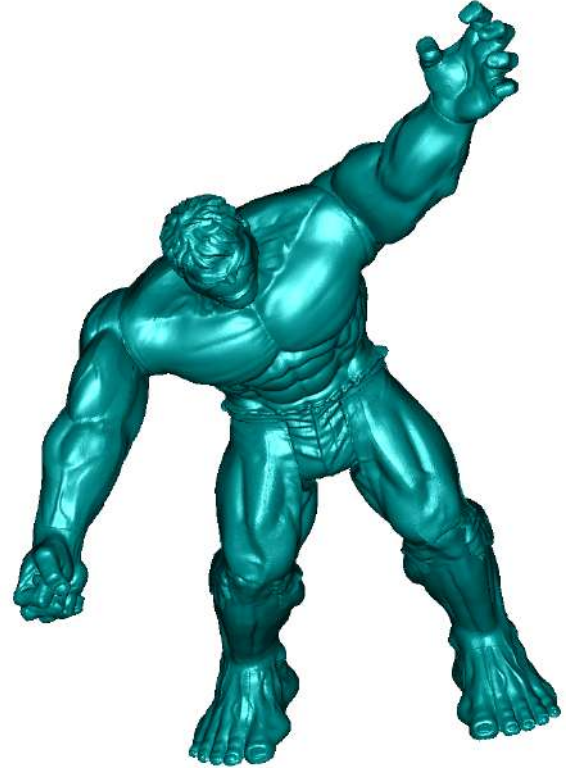


OUTPUT



MESH Deformation – Performance

		ARAP	SR-ARAP	OUR METHOD
Hulk (1.4M)	PRE-PROCESSING	50s	60s	13s
	100 ITERATIONS	~670s	~600s	2.2s



MESH Deformation – Performance

		ARAP	SR-ARAP	OUR METHOD
David (507k)	PRE-PROCESSING	FAIL	FAIL	3.6s
	100 ITERATIONS	---	---	1.7s



MESH Deformation – Performance

		ARAP	SR-ARAP	OUR METHOD
Dragon (3.6M)	PRE-PROCESSING	128s	120s	36s
	100 ITERATIONS	~98000s	~8000s	5s




MESH Deformation – Clinical example

2. From resting posture to the resting pose



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- **Assenza di regolamentazione specifica:** norma strutturata per il DM di produzione tradizionale;
- Direttiva 93/42 CEE: “**I DM stampati in 3D rientrano nella categoria Custom Made:** il fabbricante deve attenersi alla procedura prevista all’allegato VII e redigere, prima dell’immissione in commercio di ciascun dispositivo, la dichiarazione prevista in tale allegato”;
- 2015: parere d’iniziativa 2015/C 332/05: “**il quadro normativo europeo e nazionale non è stato in grado di tenere il passo con la rapida evoluzione della produzione additiva. Per questo motivo serve una normativa specifica, soprattutto in materia di standard e certificazioni, di proprietà intellettuale, protezione dei consumatori, salute e sicurezza sul luogo di lavoro e ambiente**”;
- **Nuovo regolamento europeo in materia di DM ma nessuna specifica disciplina per i DM stampati in 3D.** 2015, iniziativa NET: la CE ha creato un gruppo d’interesse europeo in materia di 3D *printing* in campo biomedicale, il cui obiettivo è la predisposizione di un *white paper* per rappresentare ai legislatori europei i principali problemi connessi alla stampa 3D dei dispositivi medici, di supporto ai legislatori nazionali in sede di applicazione del nuovo regolamento sui DM.

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Normativa: non esiste normativa ad hoc per l'utilizzo/certificazione della stampa 3D come dispositivo medico e neppure sul bioprinting.

Responsabilità sul prodotto stampato 3D: quali errori e quali conseguenze?

- errori nella progettazione o modellazione; nel formato dati; nel software; nel processo di produzione.

Brevetti: Appare necessaria una precisa regolamentazione relativa all'inclusione e all'esclusione dalla tutela brevettuale delle parti del corpo stampate in 3D.



(some) **Conclusion** about 3D scanning and geometry processing

➔ Both scanner allow the acquisition of hand anatomy for orthotic application

➔ Patient's movement influence is limited

- Can be compensated in the case of static scanners
- Design of supports to facilitate position maintenance

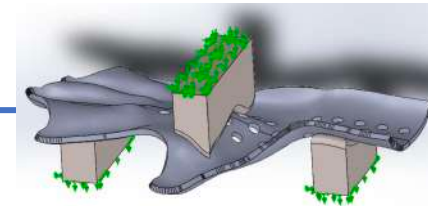
➔ Hand mesh deformation enable new 4D orthotic rehabilitation paradigms (still to test on patients)

In the **future**... translation to the clinic

➔ Hand geometry **user interface** using **mesh editing** tools to design the final **personalized orthosis**

➔ **FEM analysis** of 3D printed hand orthoses

➔ Digitization in the **prosthetics** field



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