Subject: Re: Generate 3D Surface out of Points in Space Posted by siliconcube on Thu, 24 Jun 2004 16:33:40 GMT

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I had the same problem and this board did a great job helping me figure out where i went wrong. I had 85 SEM image slices, instead of having contours I just cleared the background noise leaving me with whatever it is I was looking at. Then I reduced resolution (otherwise IDL would give me problems with lack of memory and i have a 5GB of DDR Ram installed), my image files went from 1.8MB each to about 60KB each and i ran the code (slightly modified) from Dr. Fanning's website which he posted in the earlier message and everythigh worked out pretty darn well =D.

Good luck

Aleks

"Karl Schultz" <kschultz no spam@rsinc.com> wrote in message news:<10djeuf4dhht95b@corp.supernews.com>...

- > "Tukee10" <turgutkaracay@hotmail.com> wrote in message
- > news:b599c09a391226a337d5f4fe4e8672fd@localhost.talkaboutpro gramming.com...
- >> Hi everybody. I have 50 sliced images, that represent a splitting blood
- >> vessel. I went through the slices and extracted the contours of the blood
- >> vessel with the function CONTOURS. Now I have many points that lie on the
- >> surface of the vessel. I would like to reconstruct the 3d surface of the
- >> vessel out of these points. Is there any function or procedure that is
- >> able to do that?

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- > Surface reconstruction is a hard problem. If you google around you will see
- > that guite a few people have spent much of their lives working on small
- parts of the problem.

- > That being said, if your data has certain constraints, then the job can be
- done. >

- > In your case, are the images such that the blood vessels are a very distinct
- > color, or otherwise distinguishable from the rest of the image? If so, you
- > can stack the images into a volume and then run ISOSURFACE to generate a
- > surface. You would need to determine what isovalue to use that selects the
- > pixels representing the vessels the best. You might consider running some
- > image filtering tools to sharpen or clean up the images to make it as close
- > to "on-off" as possible with respect to the blood vessel pixels.

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I think that this is your best shot, given what I know about your data. >

> Karl