

# **CS 247 – Scientific Visualization**

## **Lecture 20: Volume Rendering, Pt. 7**

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# Reading Assignment #11 (until Apr 11)



## Read (required):

- Real-Time Volume Graphics, Chapter 10  
(Transfer Functions Reloaded)
- Paper:  
*Joe Kniss, Gordon Kindlmann, Charles Hansen,*  
Multidimensional Transfer Functions for Interactive Volume Rendering,  
*IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Comp. Graph. (TVCG) 2002,*  
<https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/1021579>

## Read (optional):

- Real-Time Volume Graphics, Chapter 14  
(Non-Photorealistic and Illustrative Techniques)

# More on Transfer Functions

# Classification – Transfer Functions



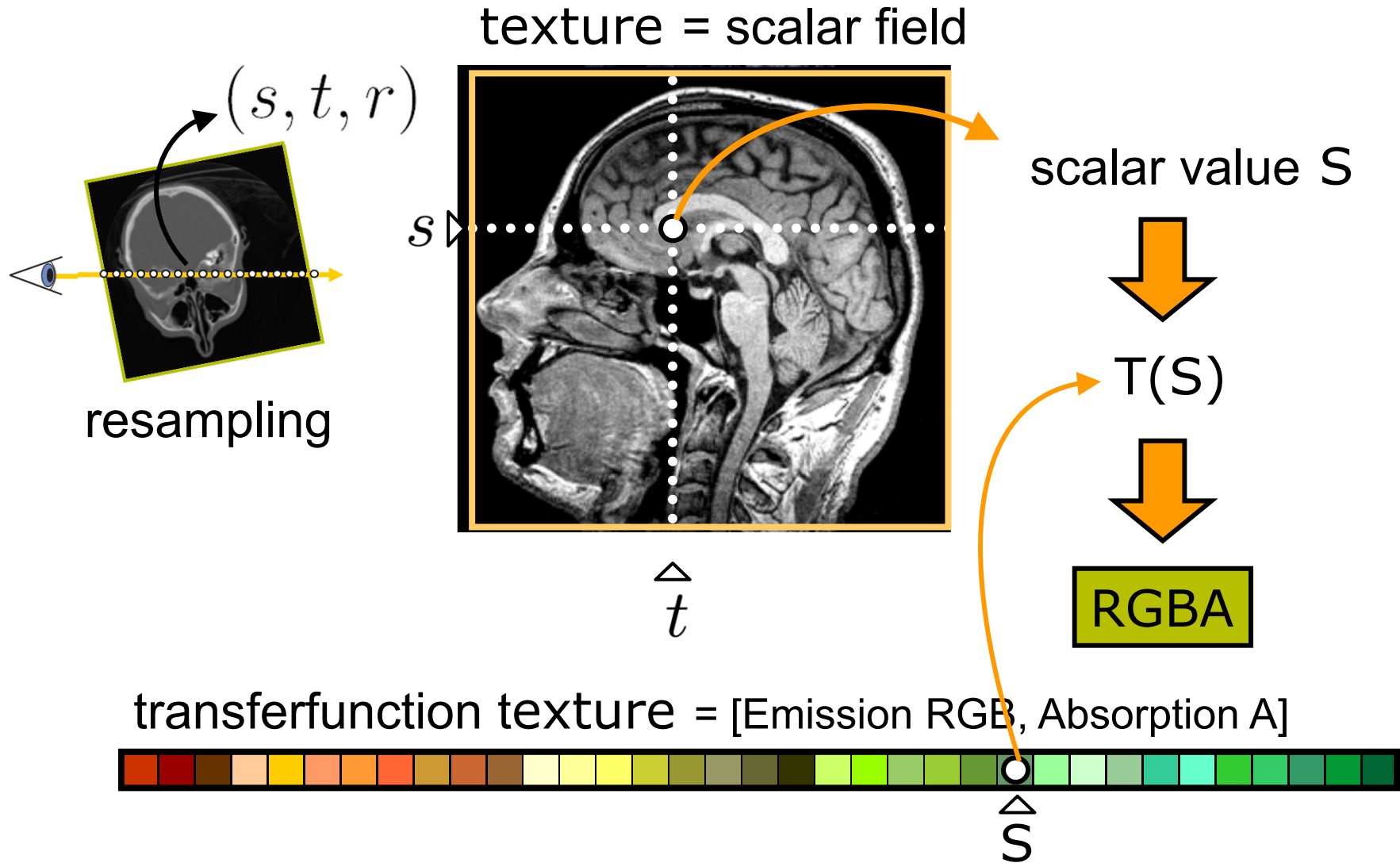
During Classification the user defines the “*look*” of the data.

- Which parts are transparent?
- Which parts have what color?

The user defines a *transfer function*.



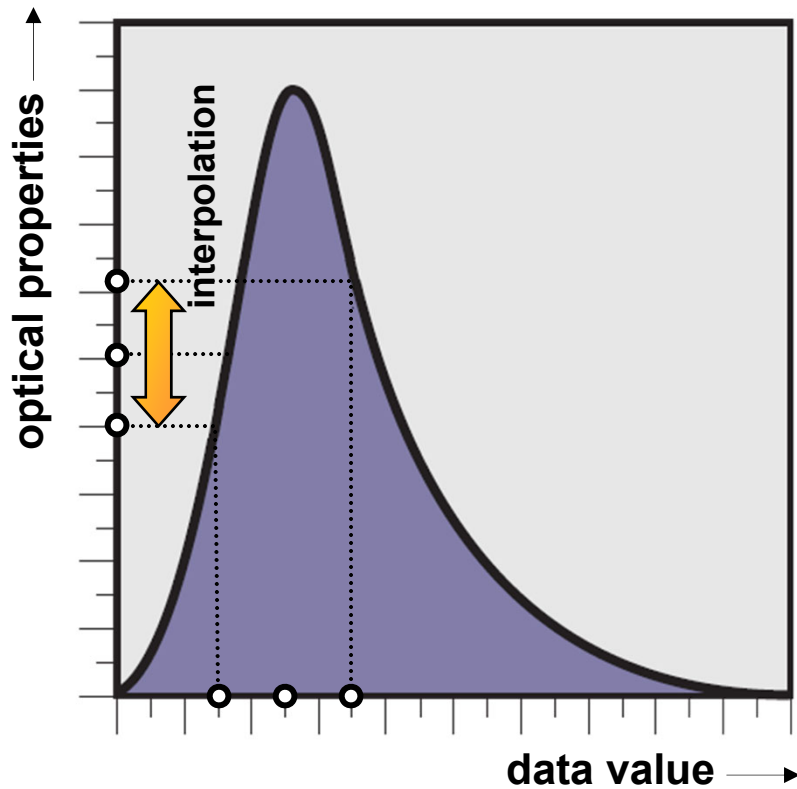
# 1D Transfer Functions



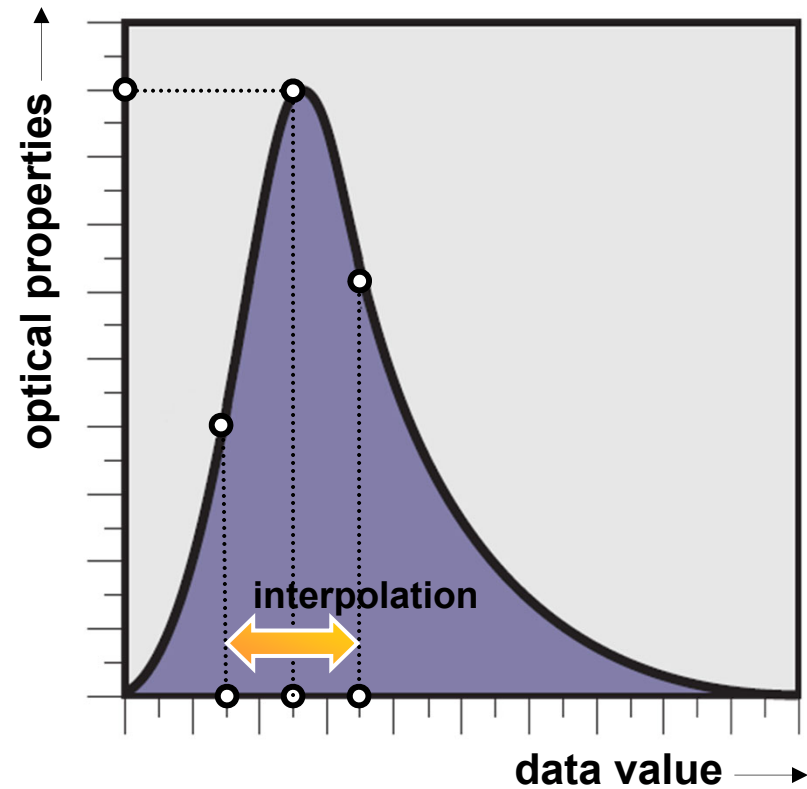
# Pre- vs Post-Interpolative Classification



## PRE-INTERPOLATIVE



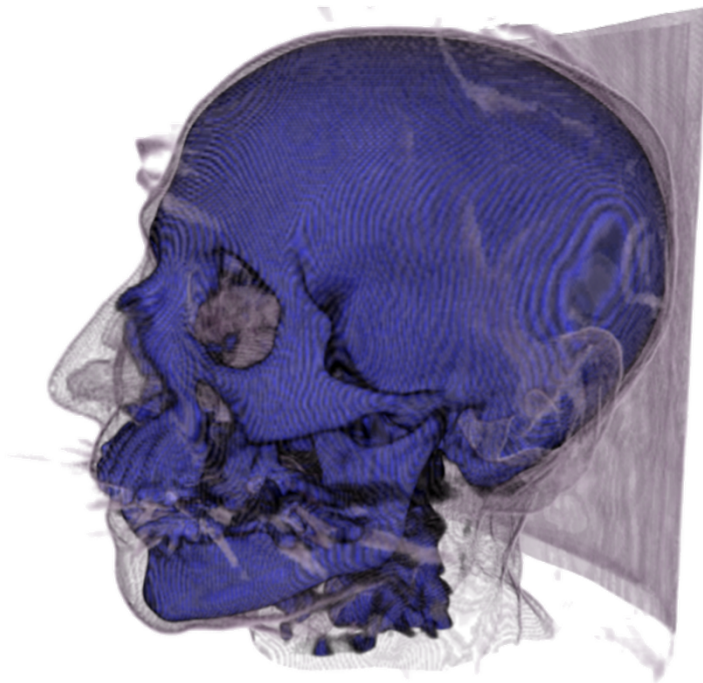
## POST-INTERPOLATIVE



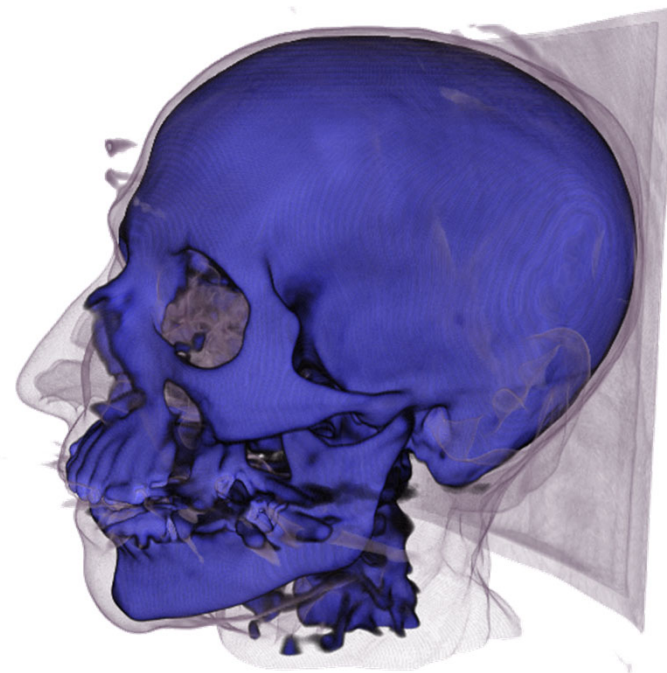
# Quality: Pre- vs. Post-Classification



Comparison of image quality



**Pre-Classification**

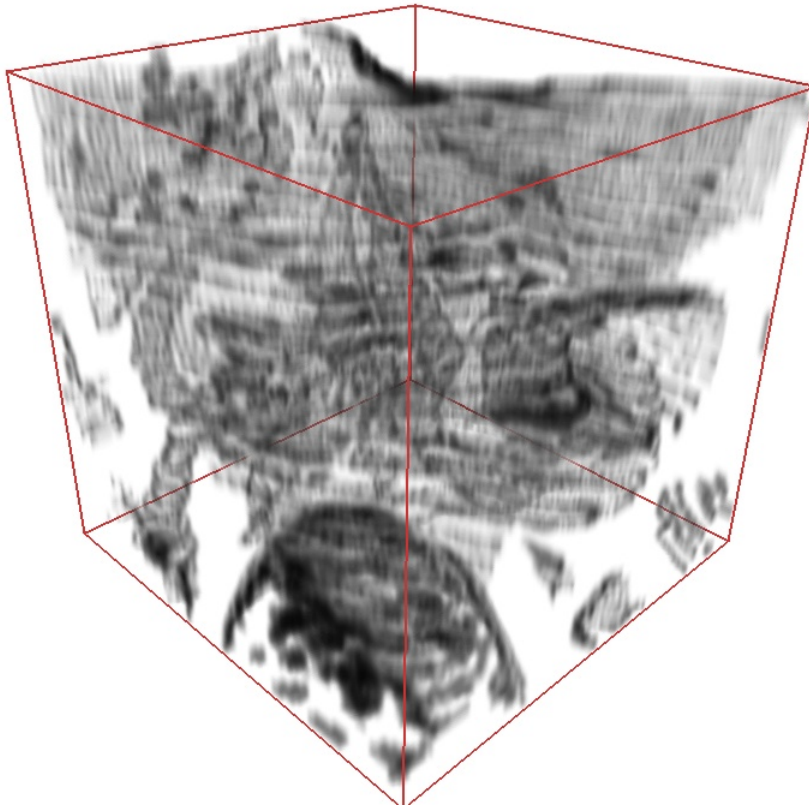


**Post-Classification**

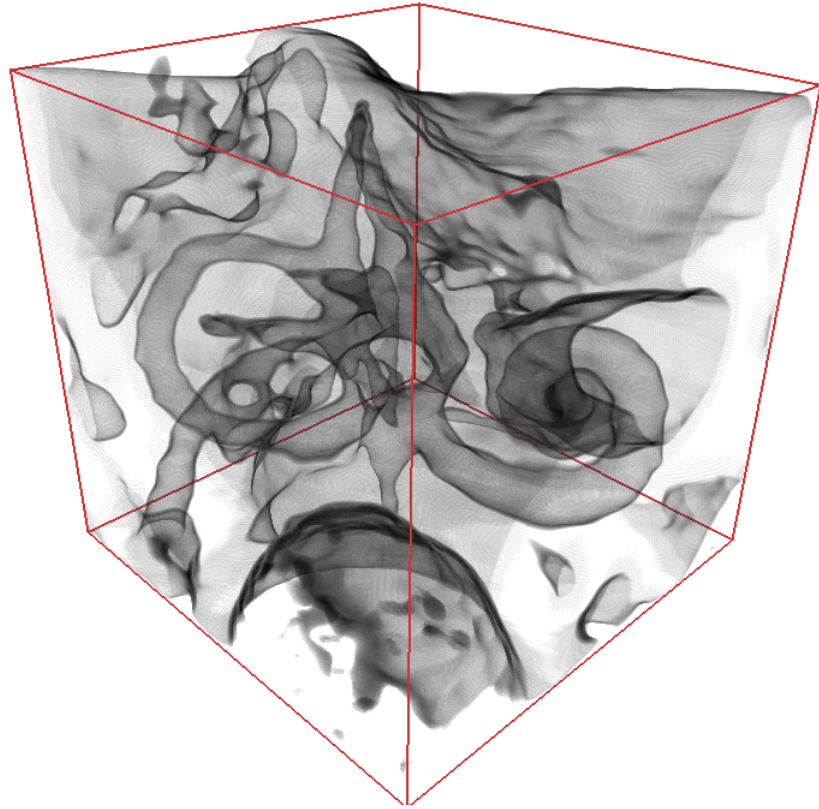
same TF, same resolution, same sampling rate



# Quality: Pre- vs. Post-Classification



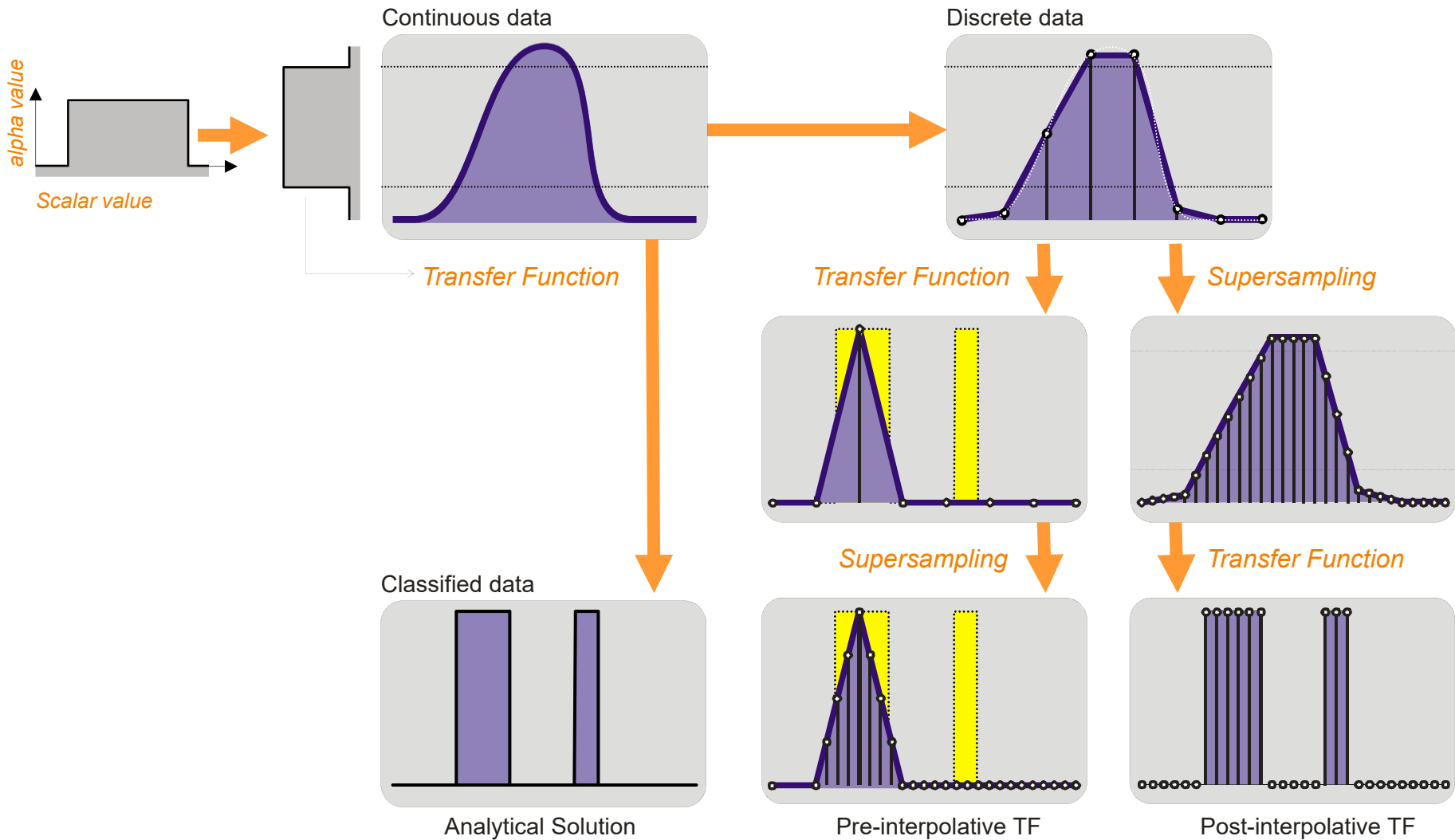
Pre-Classification



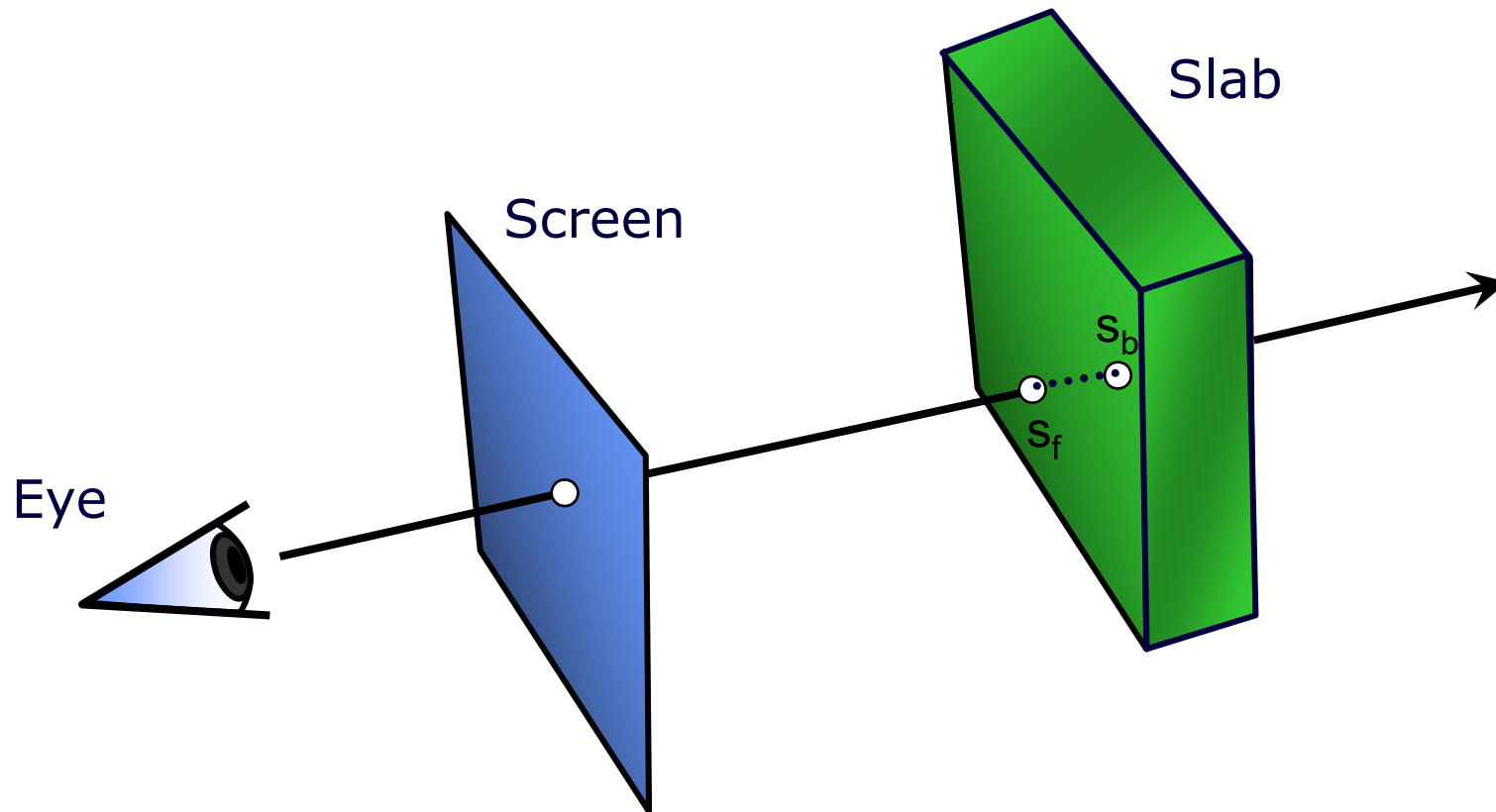
Post-Classification



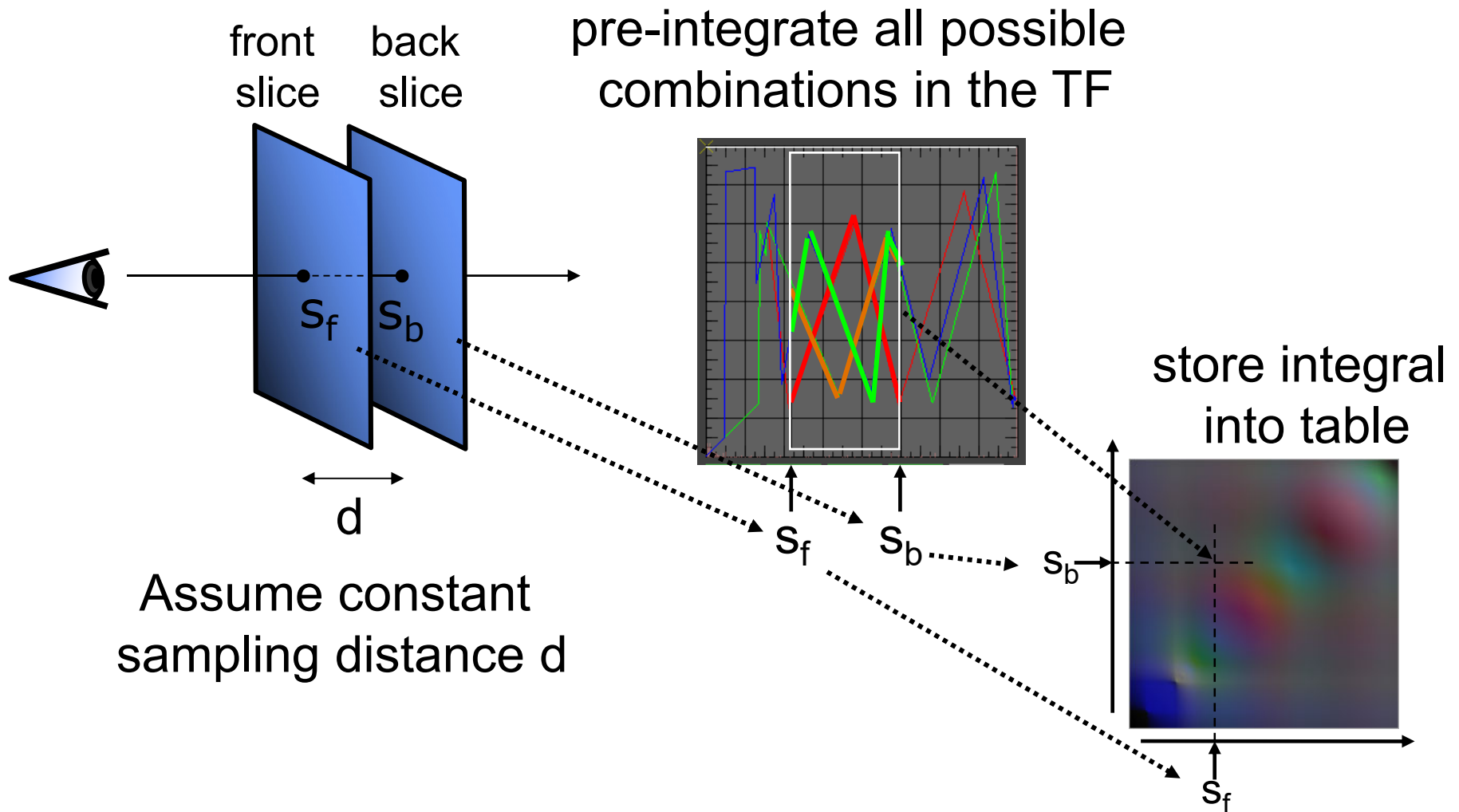
# Pre- vs Post-Classification



# Pre-Integrated Classification



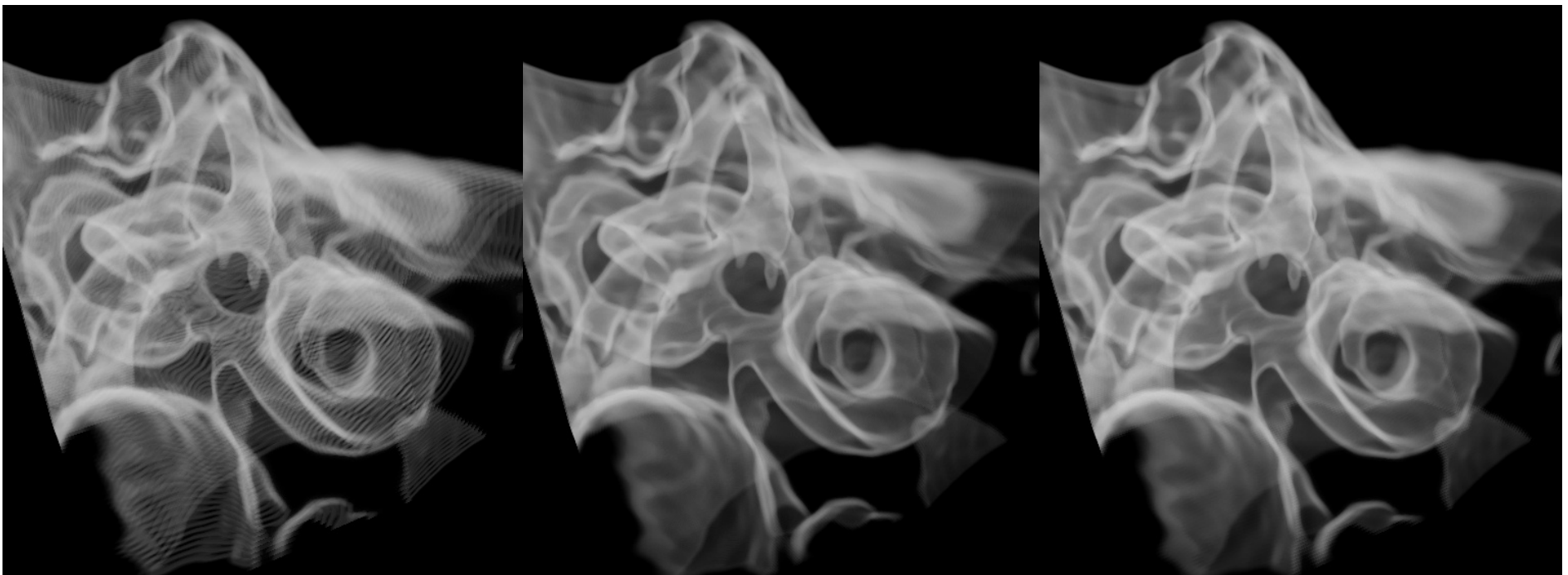
# Pre-Integrated Classification



# Pre-Integrated Classification



## Quality comparison



128 Slices

284 Slices

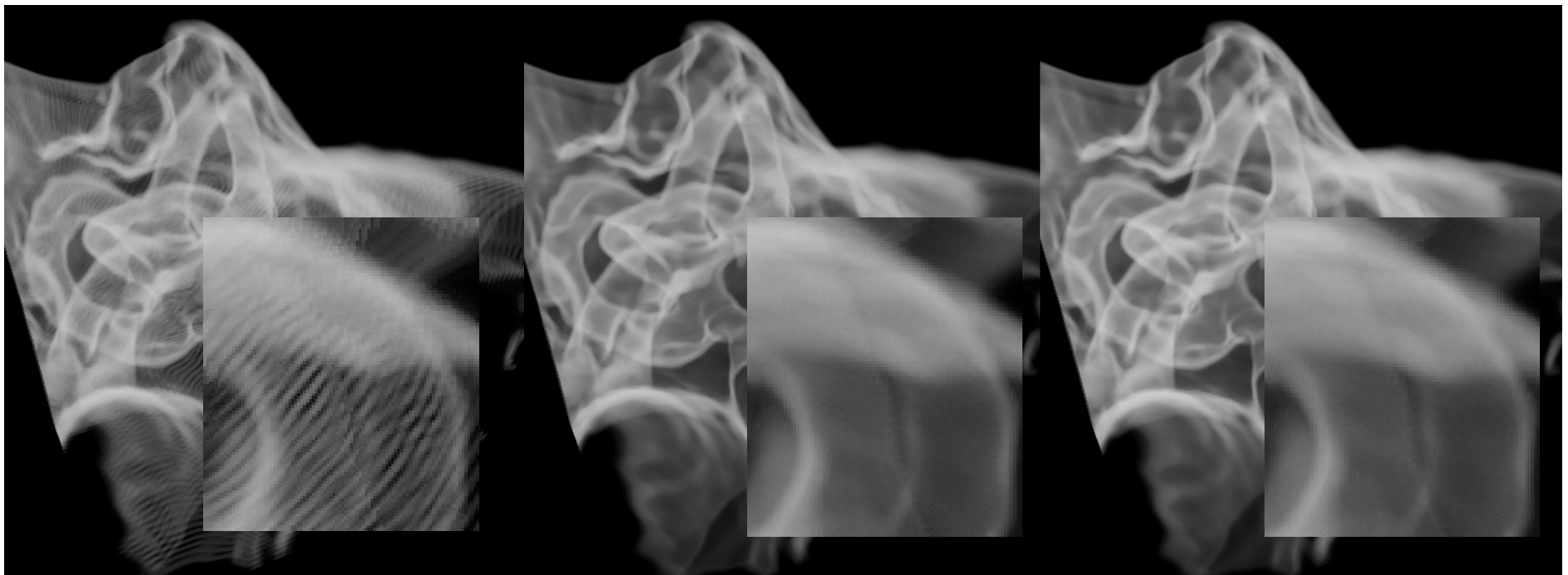
128 Slabs

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# Pre-Integrated Classification



## Quality comparison



128 Slices

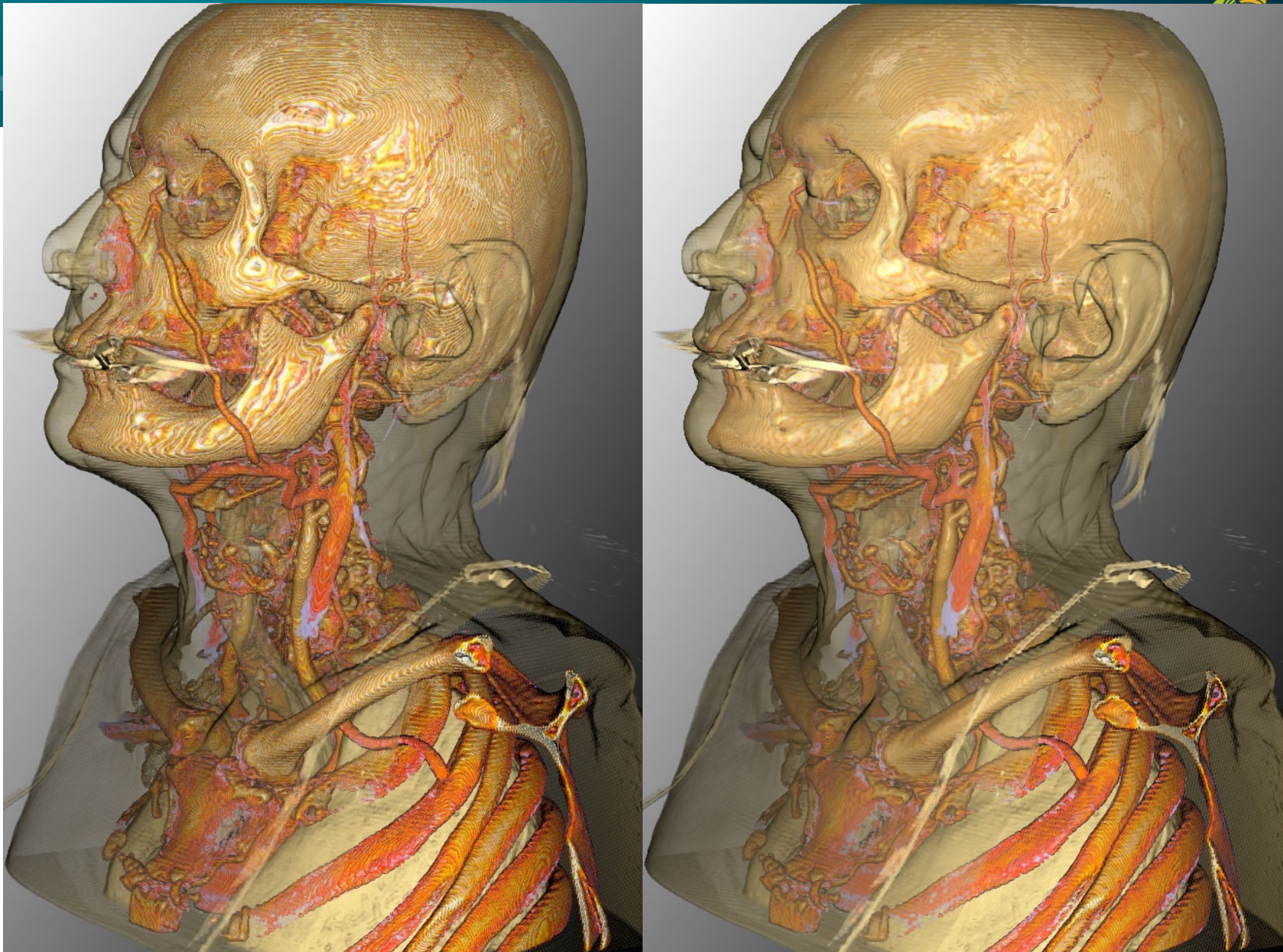
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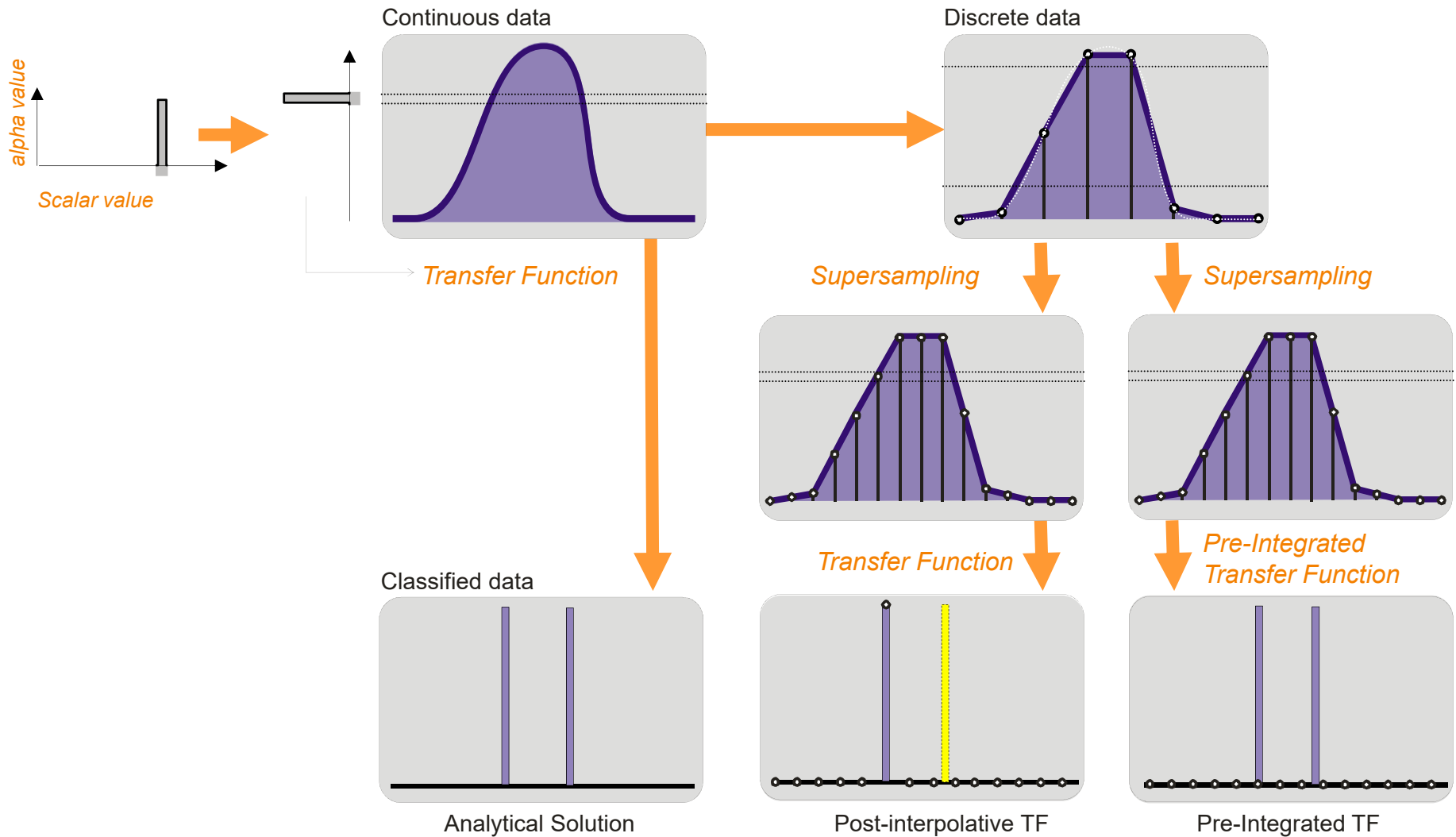
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# Pre-Integrated Classification



# Post- vs. Pre-Integrated Classification





# 2D (or higher) Transfer Functions



Transfer function look-up with more than one attribute

- $T(\text{scalar value, ... additional attributes ...})$

Additional attributes:

- Derivatives (most common: gradient magnitude)
- Segmentation information (integer label IDs)
- Curvature (of isosurface going through each point)
- Spatial position
- ...

# 2D (or higher) Transfer Functions



Derivatives indicate where material boundaries are located

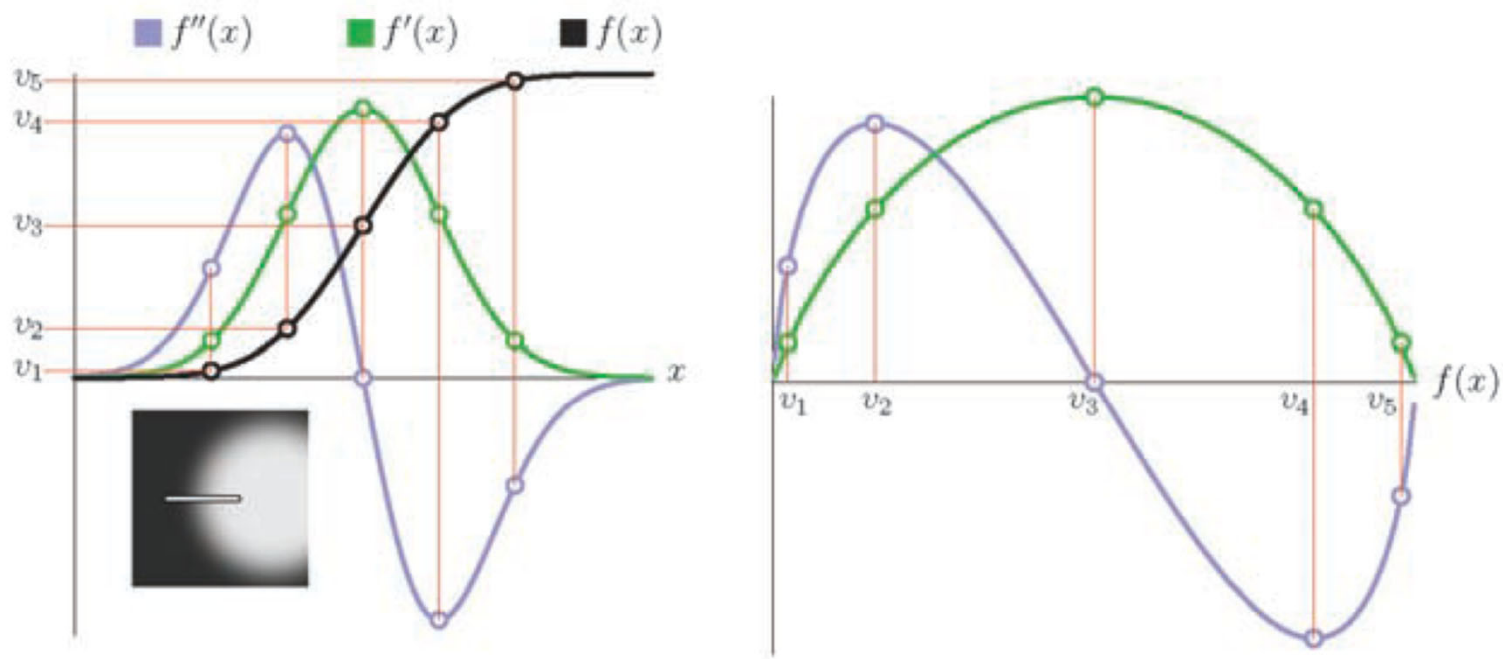


Figure 10.2. Relationships between  $f$ ,  $f'$ ,  $f''$  in an ideal boundary.

# 2D Transfer Functions

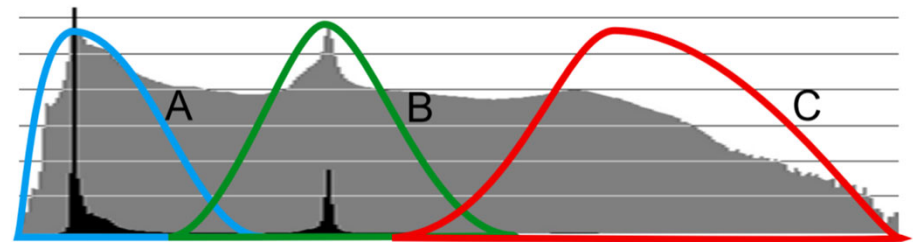


## 1D transfer function

Horizontal axis: scalar value

Vertical axis: number of voxels

## 1D histogram



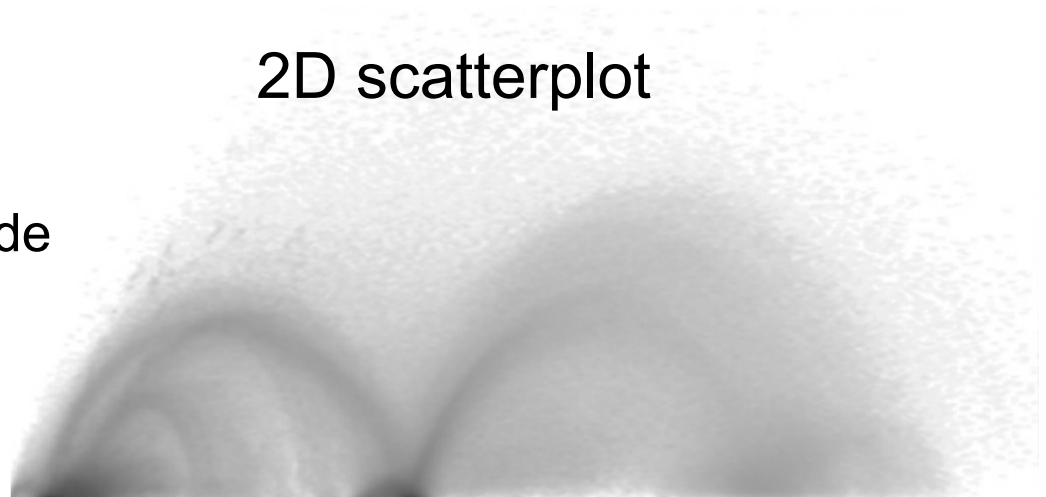
## 2D transfer function

Horizontal axis: scalar value

Vertical axis: gradient magnitude

Brightness: number of voxels  
(here: darker means more)

## 2D scatterplot



# 2D Transfer Functions



## 1D transfer function

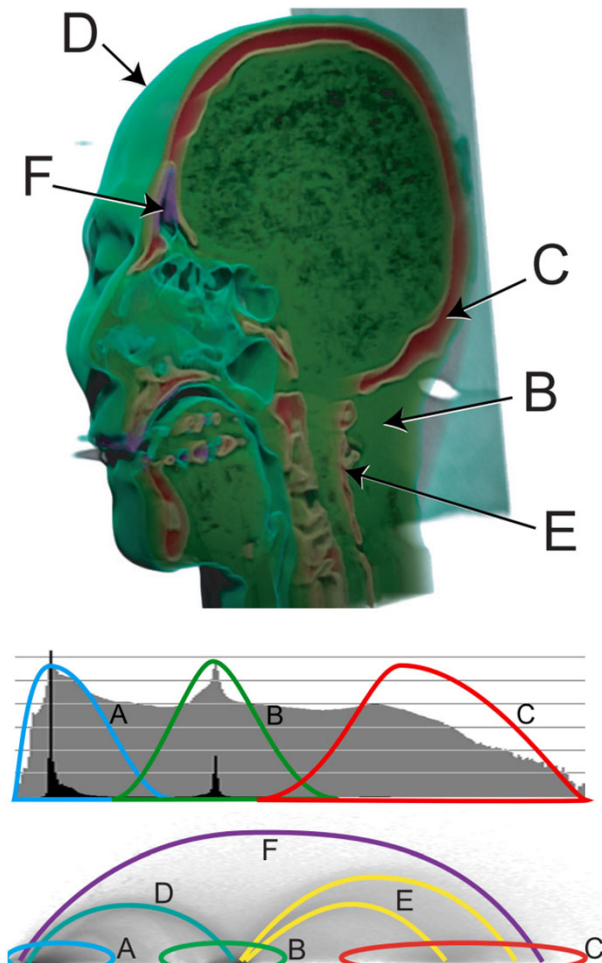
Horizontal axis: scalar value

Vertical axis: number of voxels

## 2D transfer function

Horizontal axis: scalar value

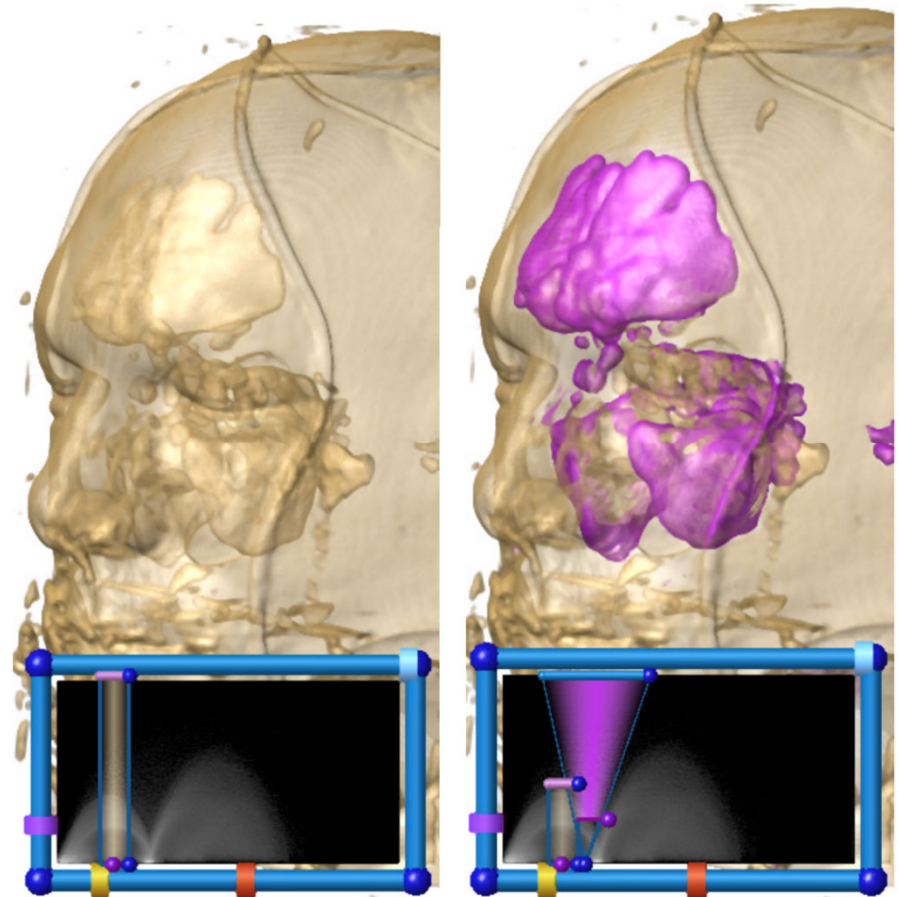
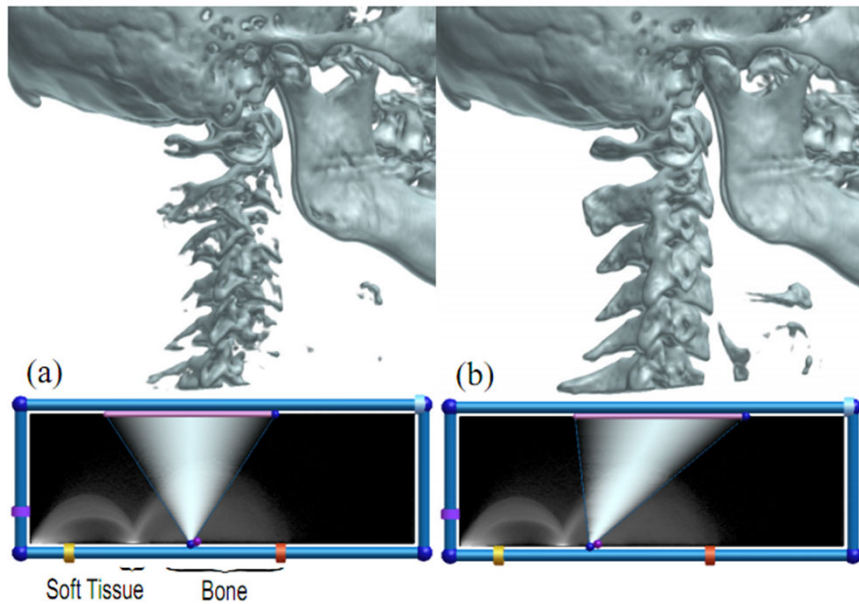
Vertical axis: gradient  
magnitude



# 2D Transfer Functions



## Comparisons



[Kniss et al. 2002]

# Thank you.

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