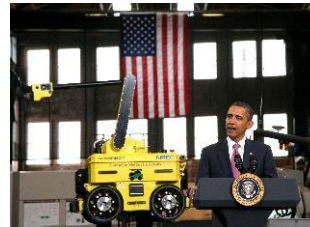


# Biorobotics: Skilled Human + Robotics = Better Care




Blake Hannaford, Biorobotics Laboratory



<http://brl.ee.washington.edu>







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# Key Collaborators

- **Surgeons:** Mika Sinanan, Thomas Lendvay, Laligam Sekhar, Kris Moe, Randy Bly
- **Engineers:** Jacob Rosen, Eric Seibel
- **Universities:** Johns Hopkins, Stanford, Berkeley
- **Companies:** Applied Dexterity, Google-X/Verily → Verb Surgical

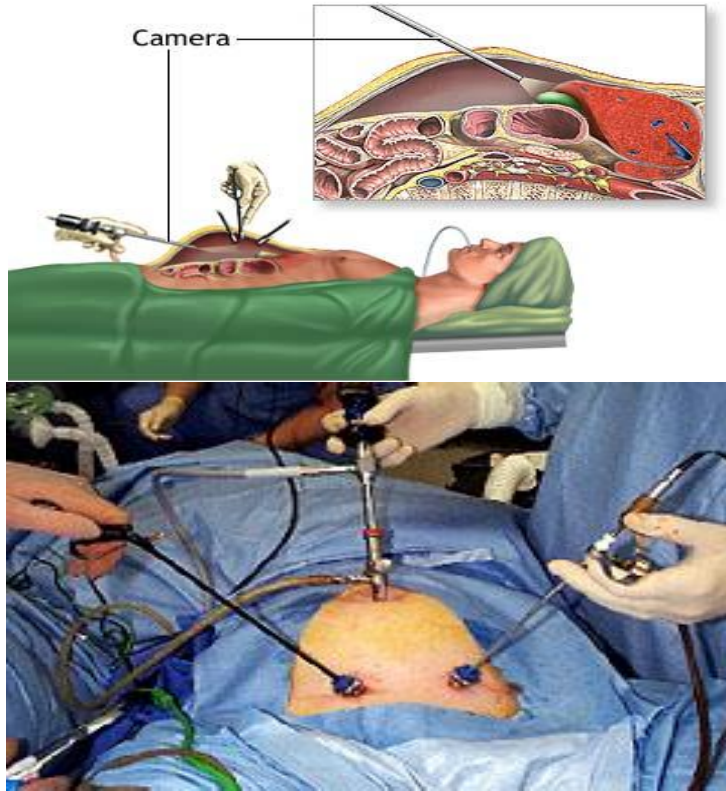
# Representative Projects

- Raven Robotics Research Platform
- Advanced Photonics for Image-Guided Robotic Surgery
- Behavior Trees for introducing AI into surgery

# Clinical Challenges

- Better patient outcomes
  - ✓ safety/effectiveness/new cures?
  - ✓ quicker/more comfortable recovery
  - ✓ cost effectiveness
  - ✓ cosmetics
- Smaller and fewer incisions: “MIS” “SILS”
- Natural orifices: “NOTES”

## Minimally Invasive Surgery

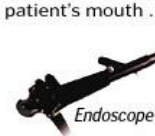


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## Natural Orifice Surgery

### Gallbladder removal through the mouth

- 1 An endoscope is inserted into the patient's mouth ...



The tip of an endoscope

- 5 The device passes underneath the liver to the gallbladder, which it grasps, ties off, cuts and removes through the mouth.

Esophagus

- 2 fed through the esophagus ...

- 3 and into the stomach ...

Liver

Gallbladder

Stomach

- 4 where it pierces the stomach wall.

washingtonpost.com



# da Vinci

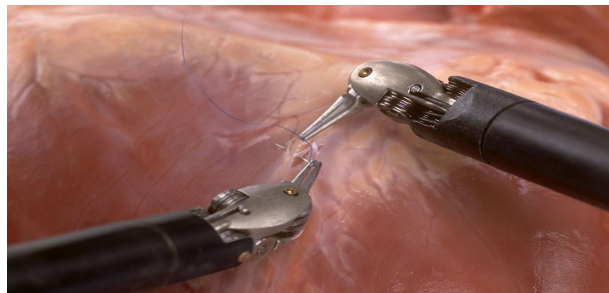
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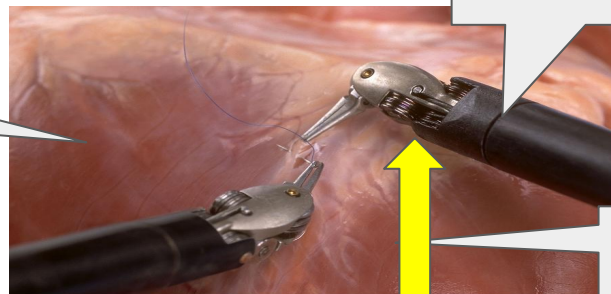
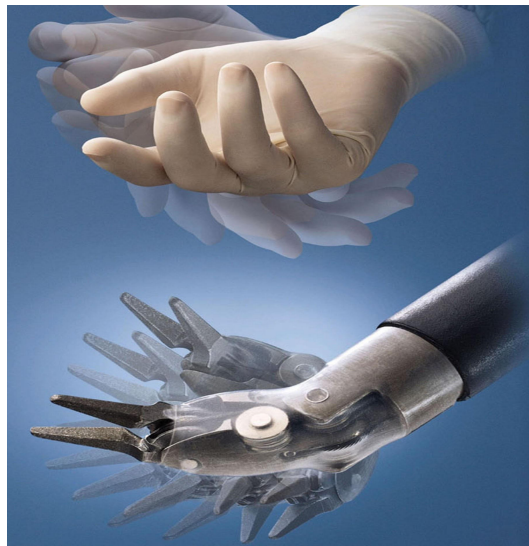


## Da Vinci Hand-Eye Registration / Coordination



# Da Vinci Hand-Eye Registration / Coordination

3D Vision for  
Surgeon



5-8mm diameter

"intuitive" motion  
control





- Over 4,000,000 human patients
- Over 4000 systems sold
- Over \$3B per year in revenue
- Hundreds of patents

So far:

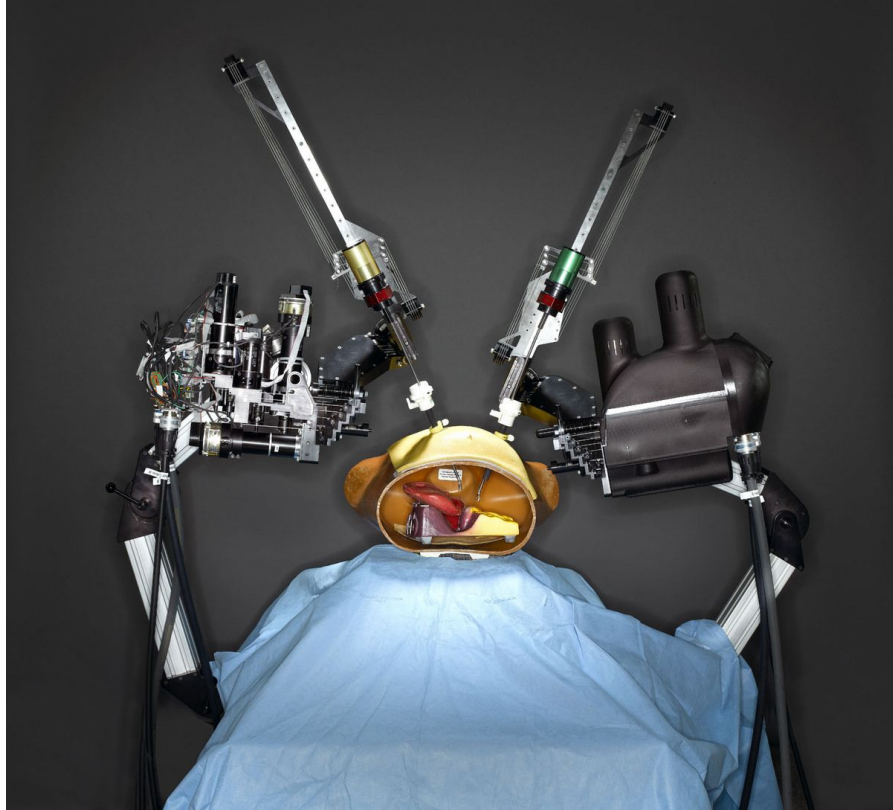
- 100% manual teleoperation
- Can we augment surgeon's capabilities with partial automation?

# Raven : Goals (2002)

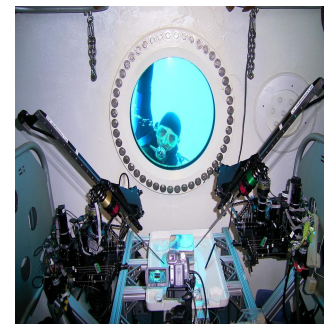
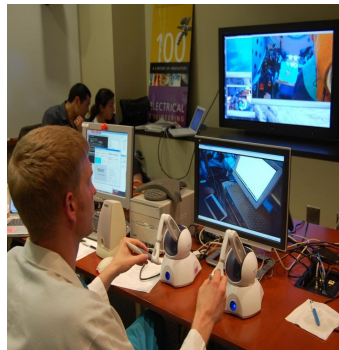
- Portable and robust surgical telerobot research platform
- Minimize mechanism size
- Maximize  $V_w/V_m$  (workspace/total volume)
- Enable field use
- Support **open software development**
- Support Interoperable Teleoperation



# Raven-I





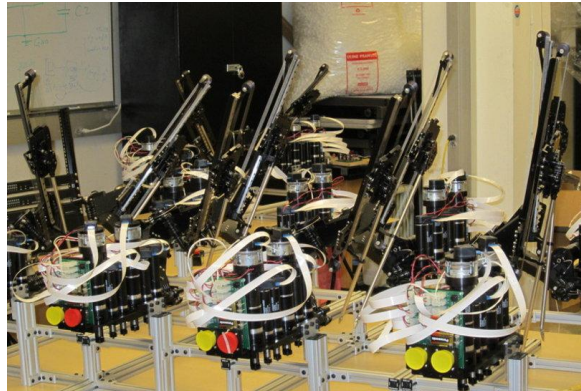


Google 13-Sept-2013

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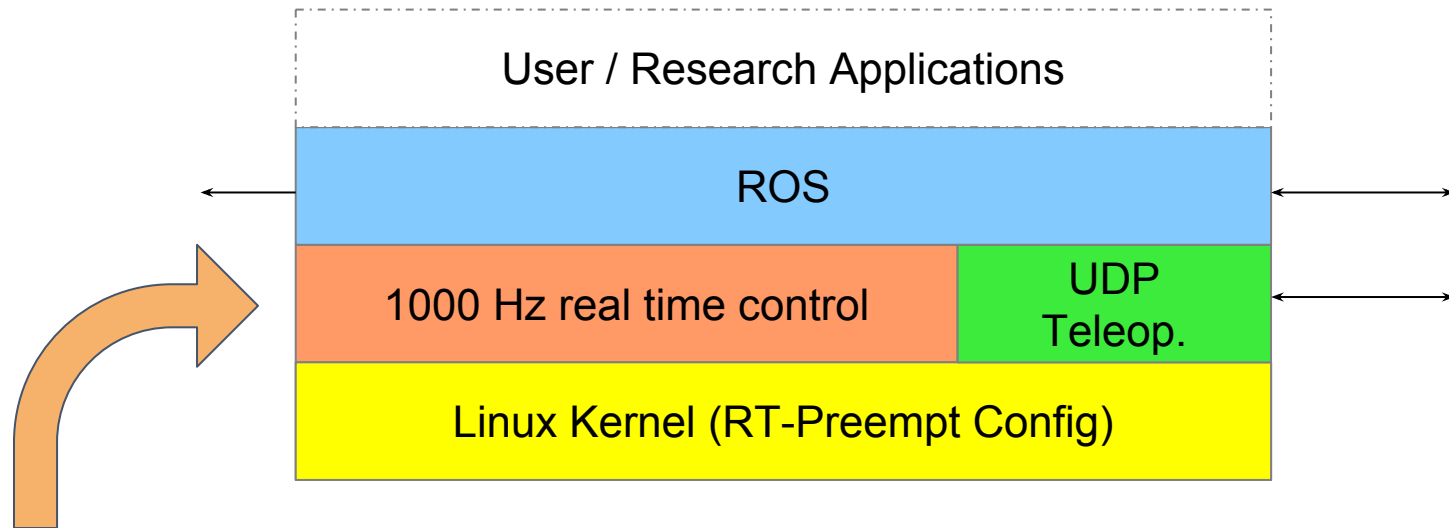
# Raven Scaling

- NSF: Build for 7 US institutions (~2011)
- Contracts: 5 more institutions
- Applied Dexterity: commercialization for research market

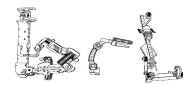




# Raven II Software APIs



<https://github.com/uw-biorobotics/raven2>



# Raven II Software APIs

2017+: Joint API  
with Johns  
Hopkins

User / Research Applications

ROS

1000 Hz real time control

UDP  
Teleop.

Linux Kernel (RT-Preempt Config)

<https://github.com/uw-biorobotics/raven2>



**University of Washington**

**Prof. Blake  
Hannaford**

**U.C. Santa Cruz**

**Prof. Jacob  
Rosen**

2012	Harvard	Prof. Rob Howe	Beating Heart Surgery
	Hopkins	Prof. Greg Hager	Human-Machine Cooperation
	Nebraska	Prof. Shane Farritor	Deployable surgical robots
	UCLA	Prof. Warren Grundfest	Tactile feedback to surgeon
	U.C. Berkeley	Prof. Ken Goldberg & Pieter Abbeel	Machine Learning of surgical autonomy
2013	Stanford University	Prof. Allison Okamura	NRI Large Project
	Montpellier University (Fr)	Prof. Philippe Poignet	LIRMM
	U. of Central Florida	Prof. Zihua Xu	
	U. of Western Ontario (Canada)	Prof. Rajni Patel	(four-arm system)



# Raven-II Sites

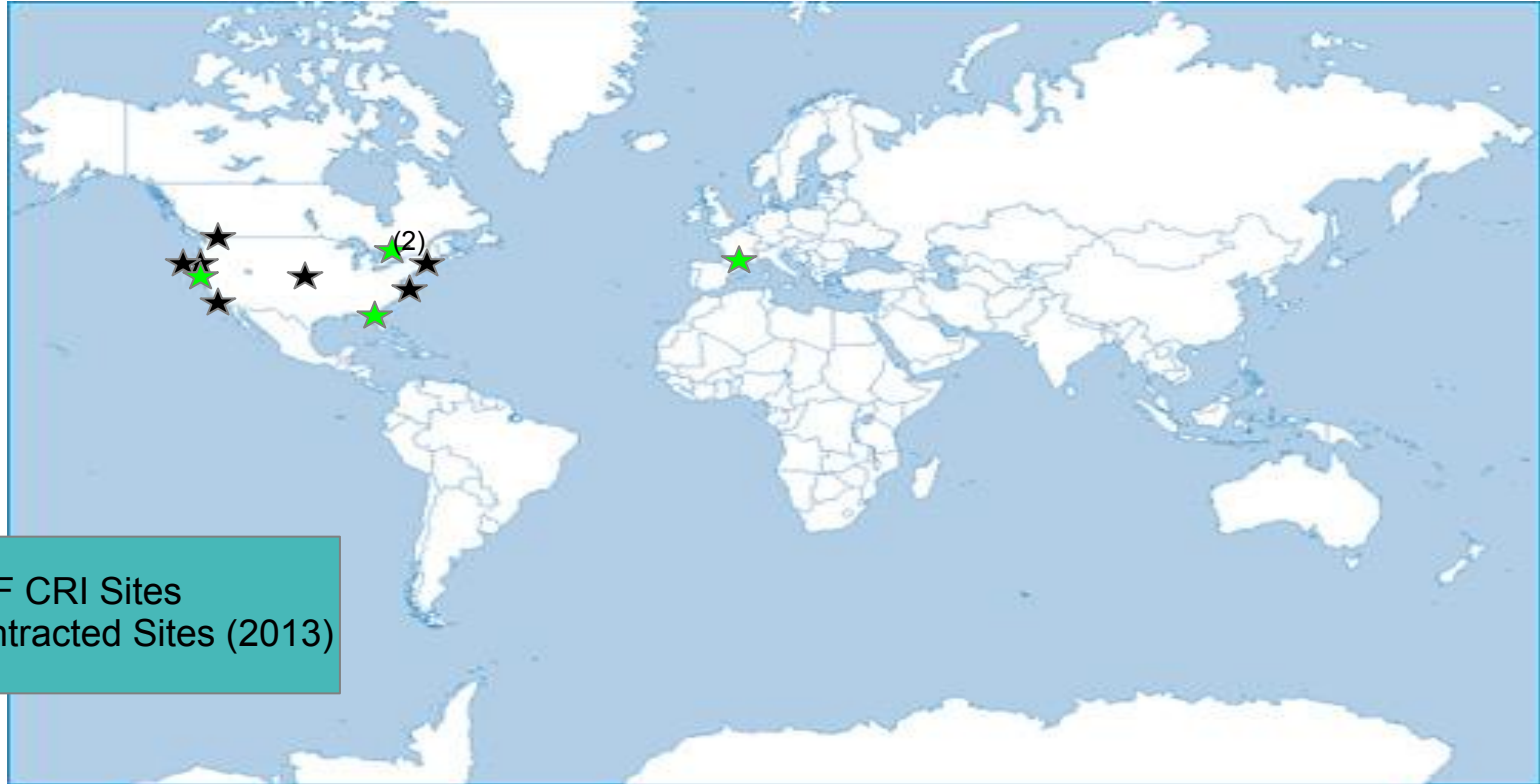


Washington  
Berkeley  
UCSC  
UCLA  
Nebraska  
Harvard  
Hopkins

★ NSF CRI Sites  
(installed 2012)



# Raven-II Sites



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# Raven Commercialization



Open source software:

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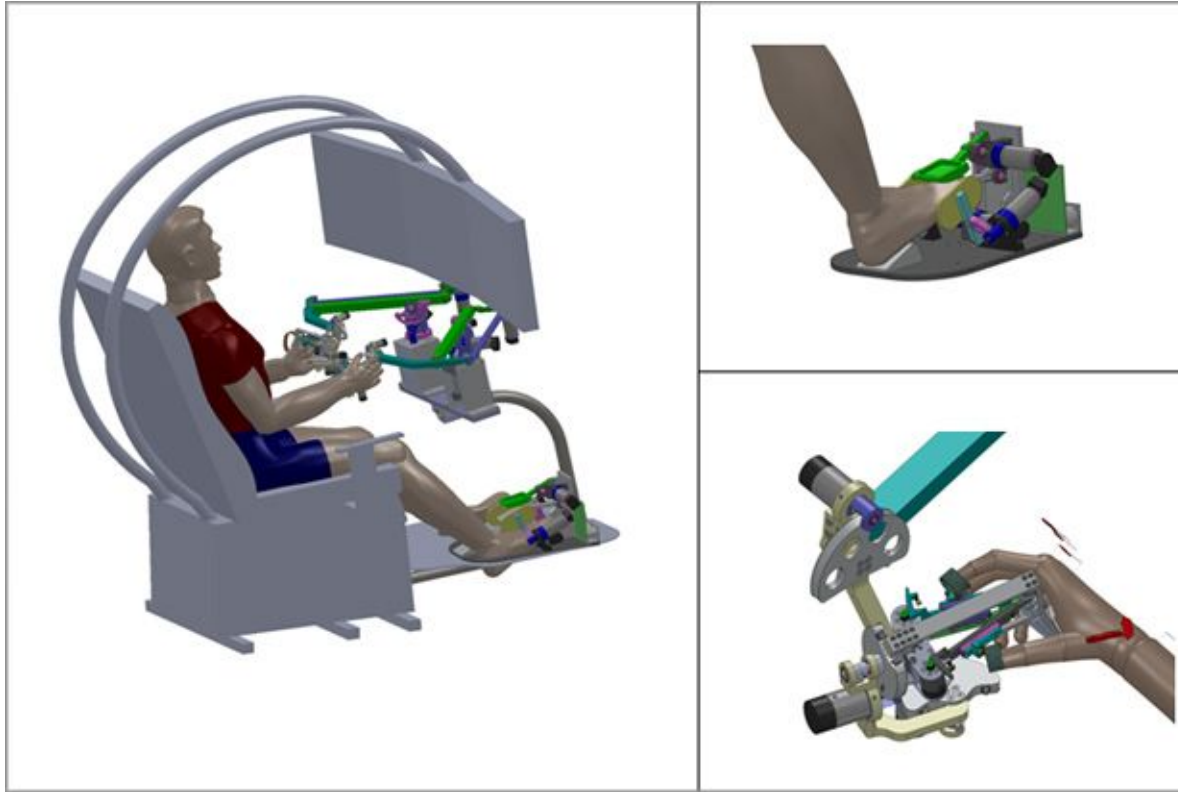


## July 2018 Raven map: 17 sites, 20 systems

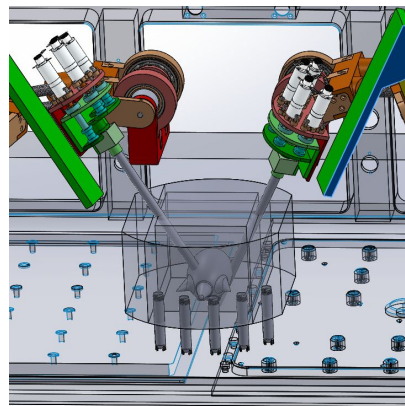
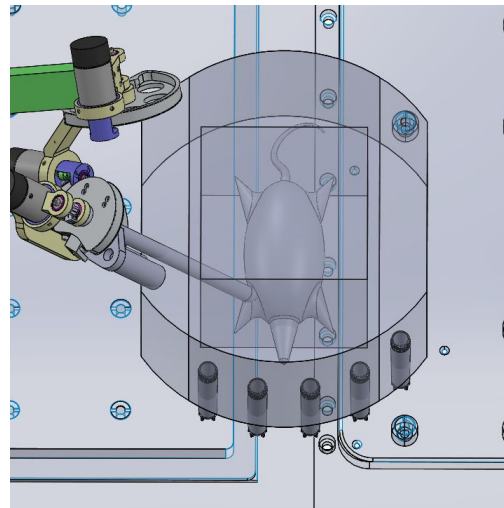
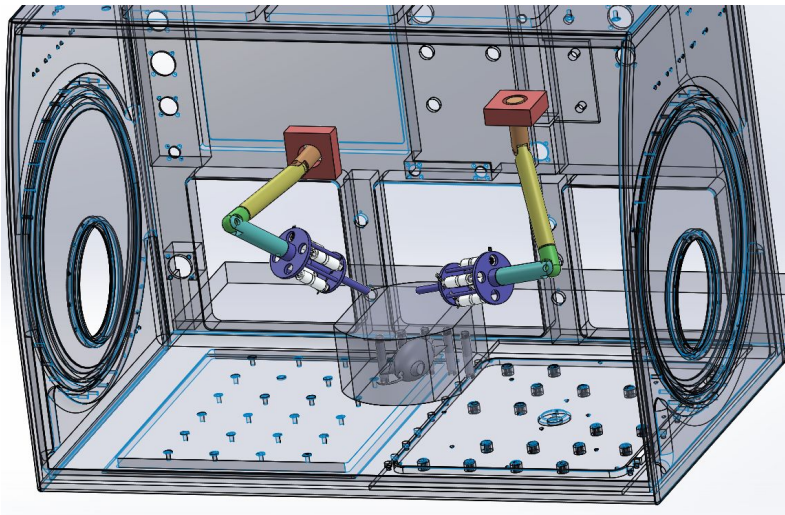




## Coming soon: Advanced Surgical Console



# Exploratory Project: Raven in ISS???

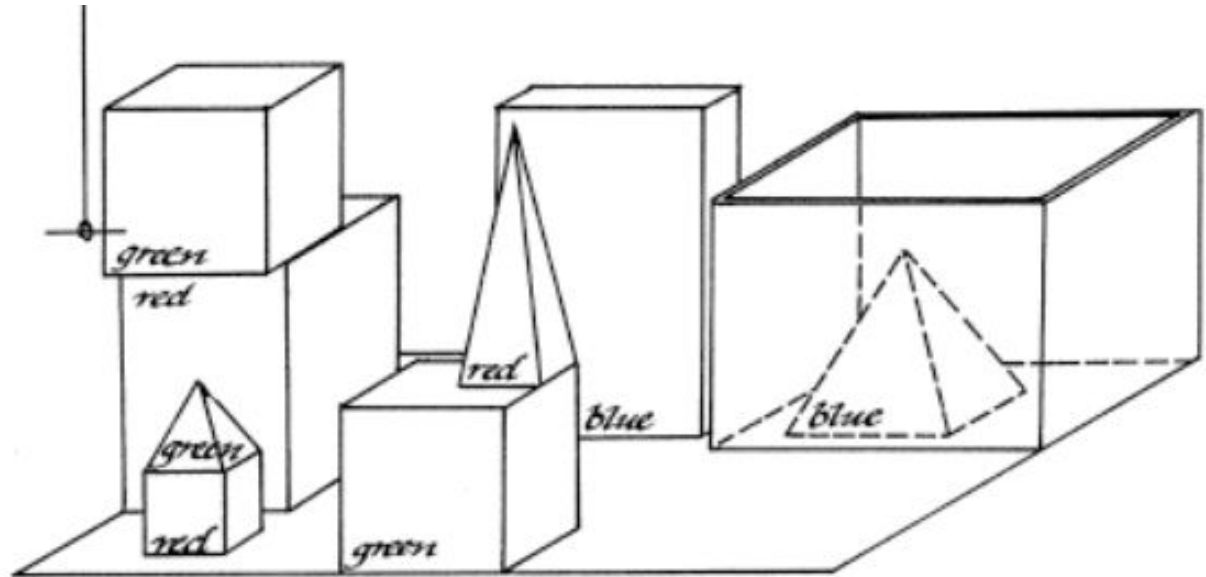


# AI in robotic surgery?

# Surgical plans – a **contrast** to A.I.

“Traditional” A.I.:

1. Initial State
2. Goal State
3. Affordances
4. Synthesize  
Sequence of Actions

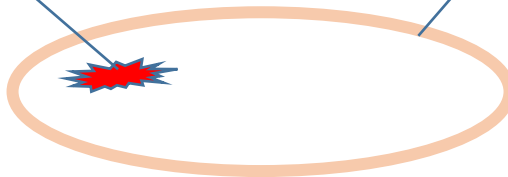


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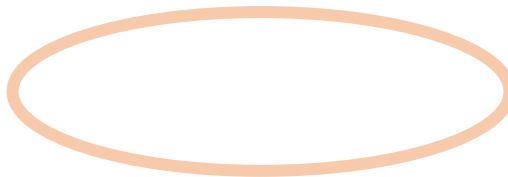
Appendix

Abdomen

- Initial State



- Goal State

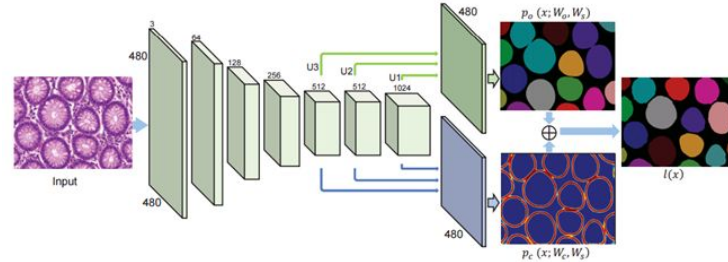
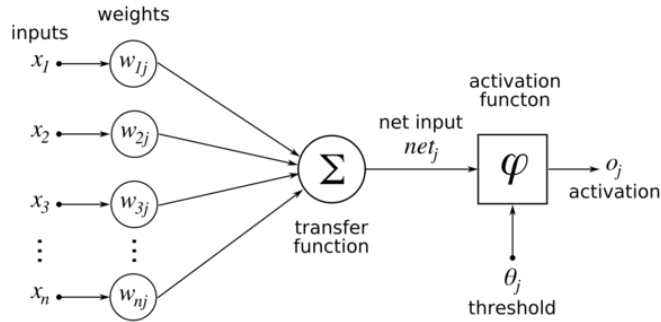
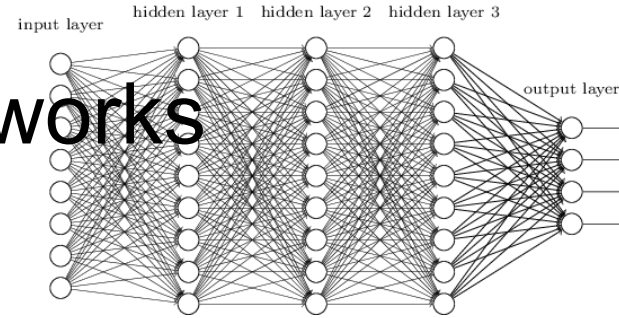


- Affordances



# NOT: Deep Neural Networks

- Neural inspired
- Thousands of identical units
- Trained on “ground truth” data (supervised learning)
- Major successes at Google etc.
- Huge amounts of training data



# Characteristics of Surgical Plans

- Memorized or semi-automatic / required
- Robust to
  - Anatomical Variation
  - Pathology Variation
  - Accidents / slipups
- Probabilistic affordances
- “Concurrent threads”
- Exploration and Treatment
- Alternative methods / Fallbacks

# Behavior Trees

- Video Game Industry
- Notation for composition of behaviors



Marzinotto, A., Colledanchise, M., Smith, C., & Ogren, P. (2014, May). Towards a unified behavior trees framework for robot control. In *Robotics and Automation (ICRA), 2014 IEEE International Conference on* (pp. 5420-5427). IEEE.

- *Thanks!!*



# Behavior Trees

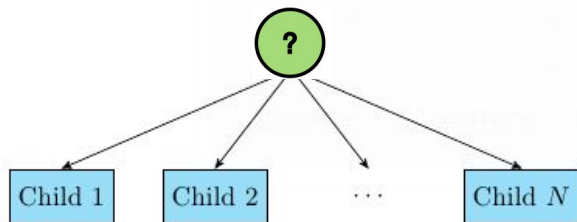
- Root generates periodic 'tics'
- A 'pointer' designates a single active node
- At each tick the active node can return:
  - "Working"
  - "Success"
  - "Failure"
- Leaf = robotic procedure / macro / control loop

# Node types

- *Selector*            Pass the tick to each child in turn  
Return Success when first child returns Success  
(try each child).
- *Sequence*           Pass the tick to each child in turn  
Return Failure when first child returns Failure  
(perform each child in sequence)
- *Parallel*            Launch all children simultaneously  
Return Success when  $> 50\%$  of children return  
Success.

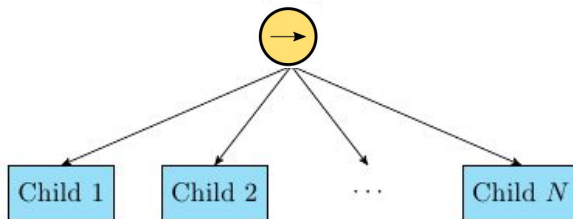
# Diagrams:

Selector



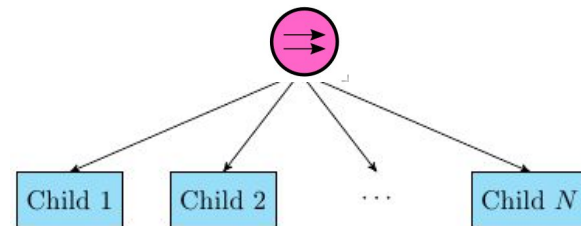
In order, Succeed when the FIRST child succeeds

Sequence



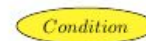
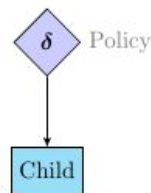
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Parallel



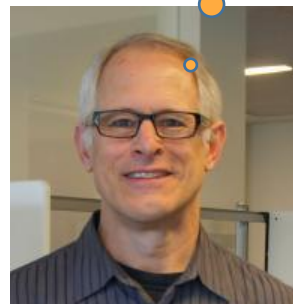
Simultaneous: Succeed when xx% of children succeed

Leaves

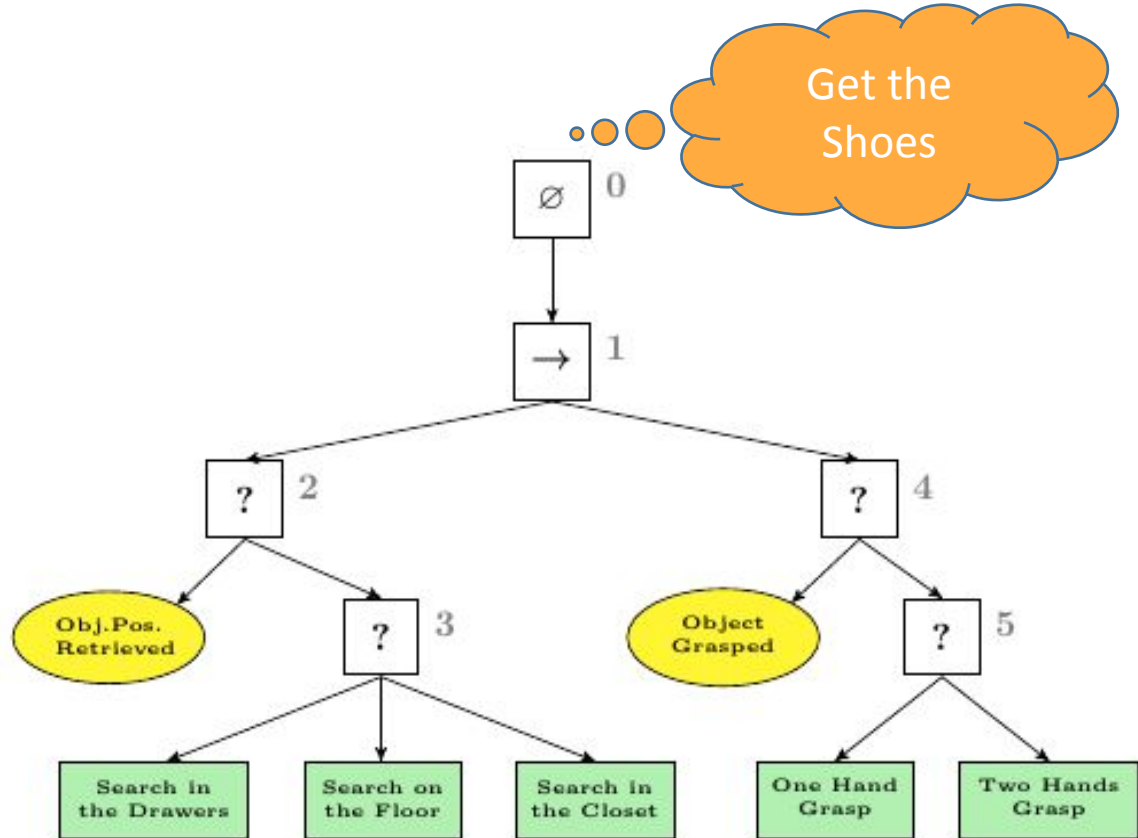




Get the  
Shoes

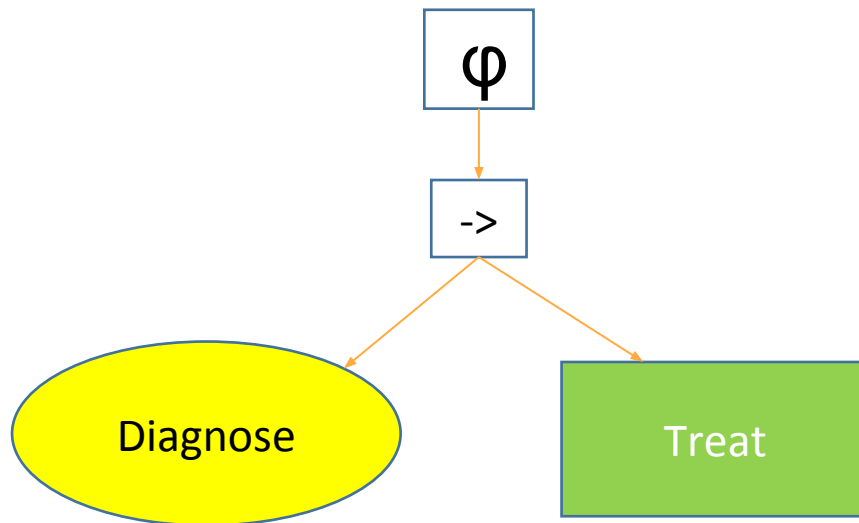


# Example





# Medical Behavior Trees



## Examples of BTs applied to Medicine



# Blood Draw

**Source:** World Health Organization (WHO).

WHO guidelines on drawing blood: best practices in phlebotomy.

Geneva (Switzerland): World Health Organization (WHO); 2010. 109 p. *(Highly Abbreviated!)*



At all times, follow the strategies for infection prevention and control listed in [Table 2.2](#).

[Table 2.2](#)  
Infection prevention and control practices.

**Step 1. Assemble equipment**

Collect all the equipment needed for the procedure and place it within safe and easy reach on a tray or trolley, ensuring that all the items are clearly visible. The equipment required includes:

- a supply of laboratory sample tubes, which should be stored dry and upright in a rack; blood can be collected in
  - [sterile](#) glass or plastic tubes with rubber caps (the choice of tube will depend on what is agreed with the laboratory);
  - vacuum-extraction blood tubes; or
  - glass tubes with screw caps;
- a [sterile](#) glass or bleeding pack (collapsible) if large quantities of blood are to be collected;
- well-fitting, non-[sterile](#) gloves;
- an assortment of blood-sampling devices (safety-engineered devices or needles and syringes, see below), of different sizes;
- a tourniquet;
- alcohol hand rub;
- 70% alcohol swabs for skin [disinfection](#);
- gauze or cotton-wool ball to be applied over puncture site;
- laboratory specimen labels;
- writing equipment;
- laboratory forms;
- leak-proof transportation bags and containers;
- a puncture-resistant [sharps container](#).

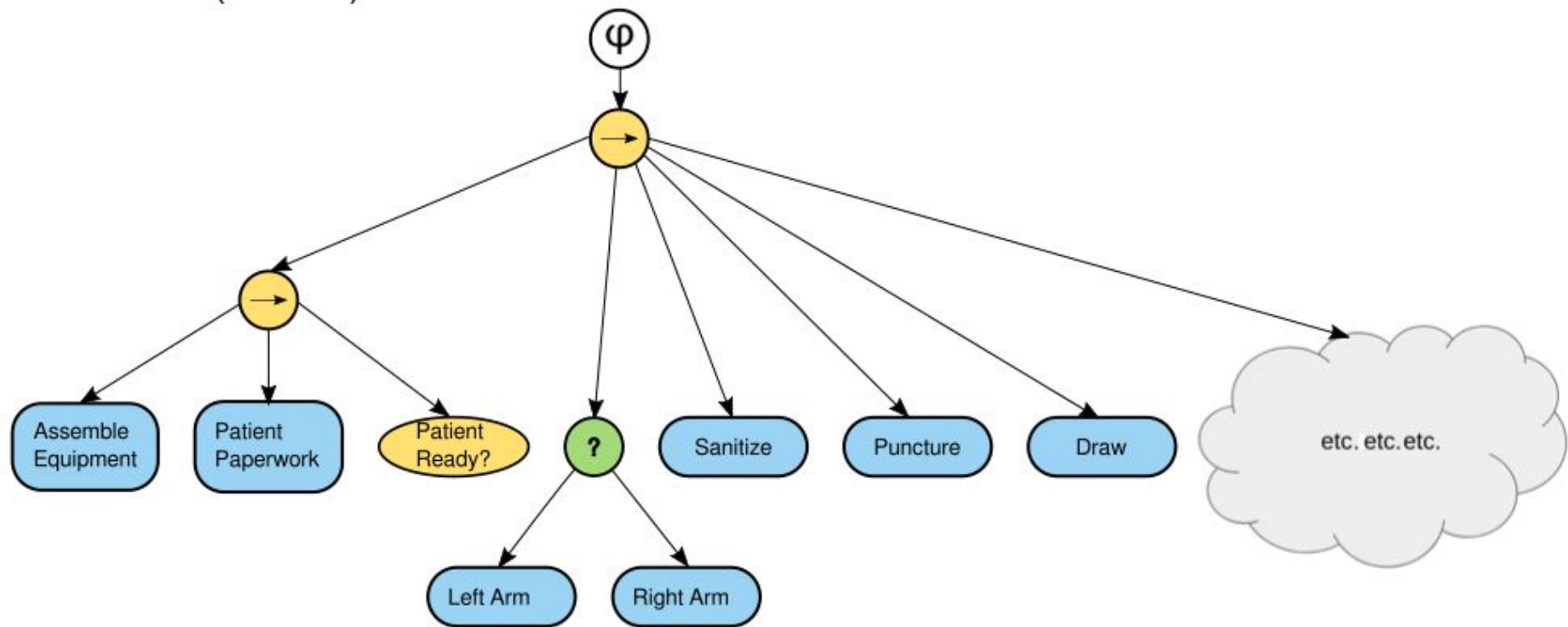
Ensure that the rack containing the sample tubes is close to you, the health worker, but away from the patient, to avoid it being accidentally tipped over.

**Step 2. Identify and prepare the patient**

Where the patient is adult and conscious, follow the steps outlined below:

- Introduce yourself to the patient, and ask the patient to state their full name.

## Blood Draw (W.H.O.)



# Emergency Airway Algorithm

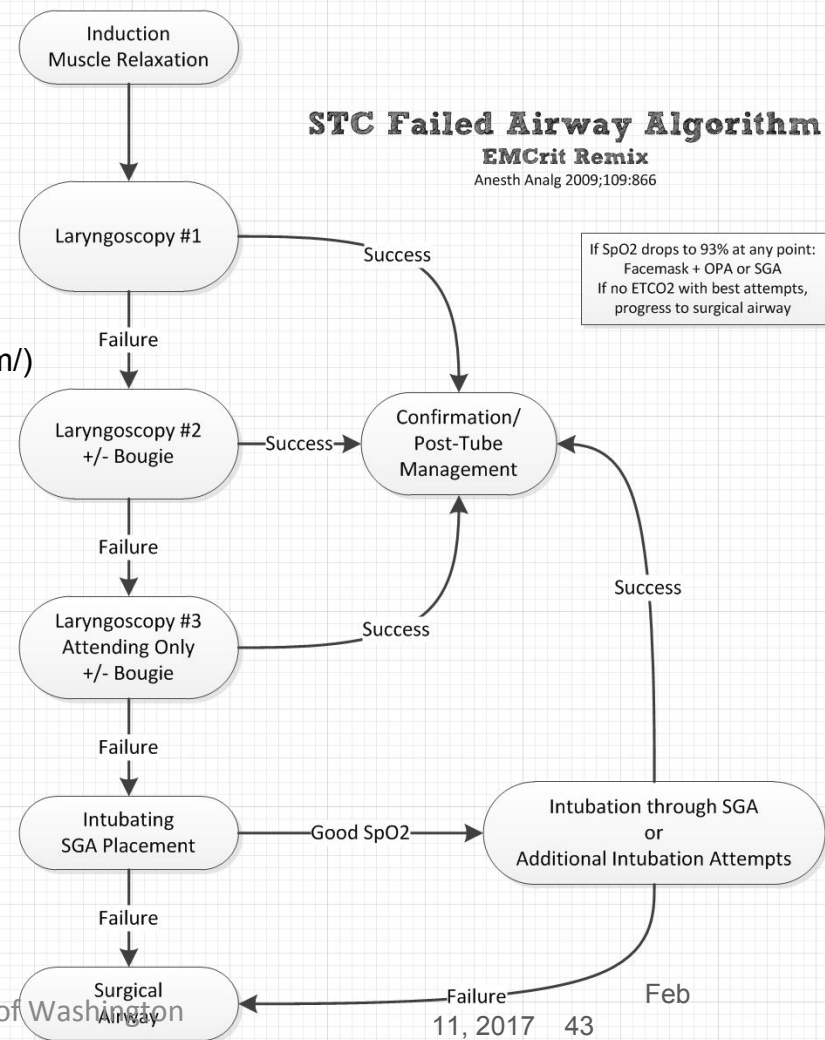
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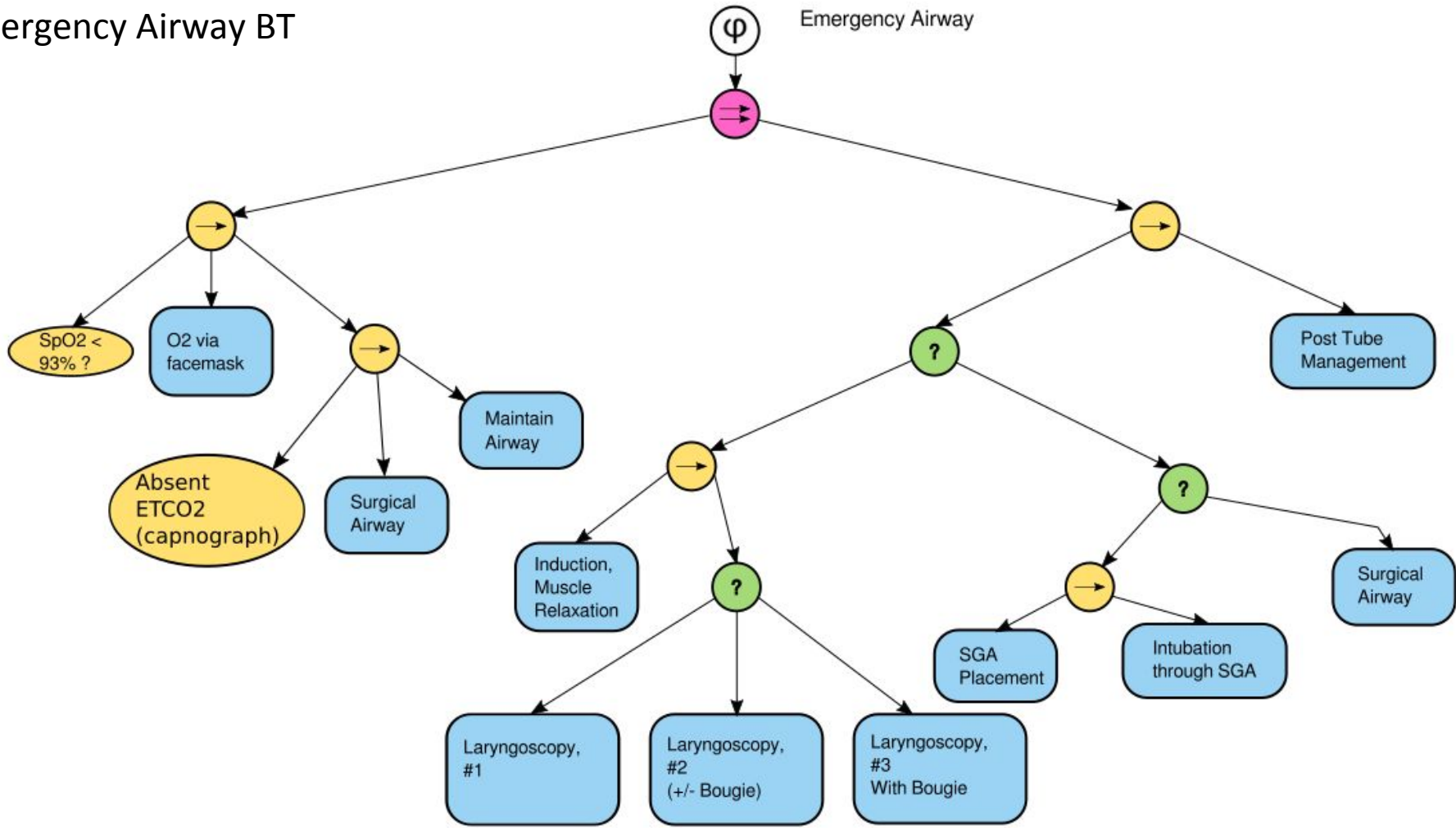


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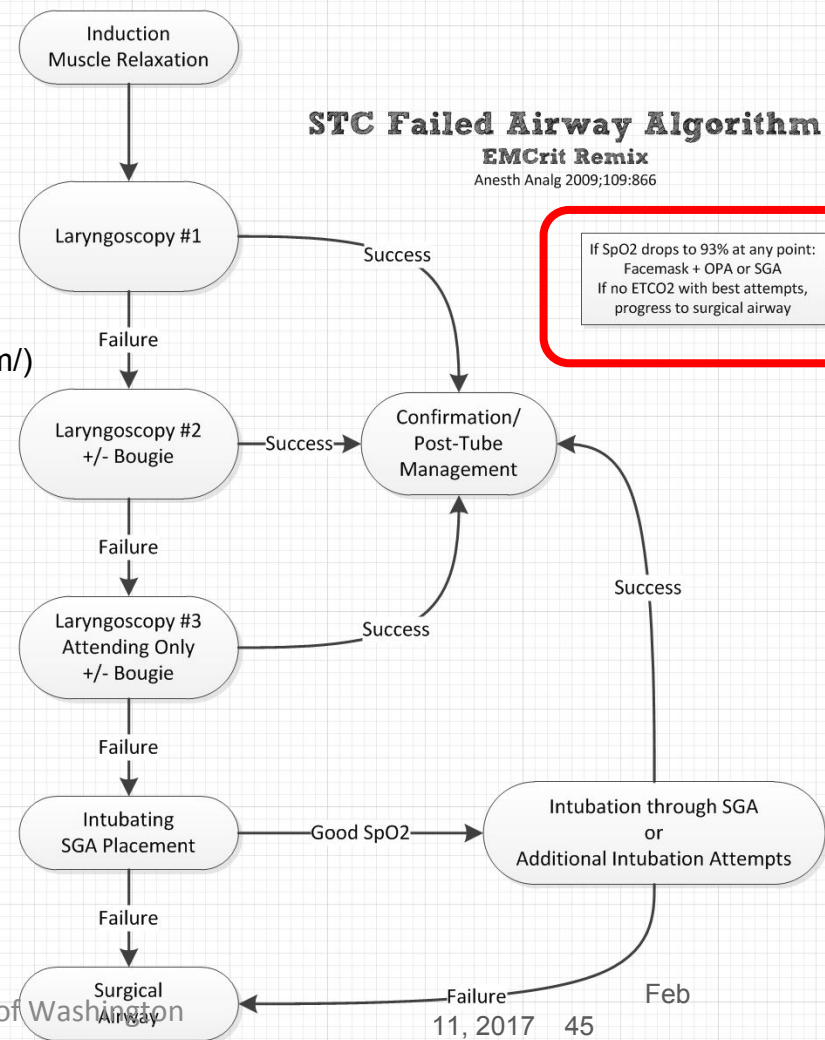
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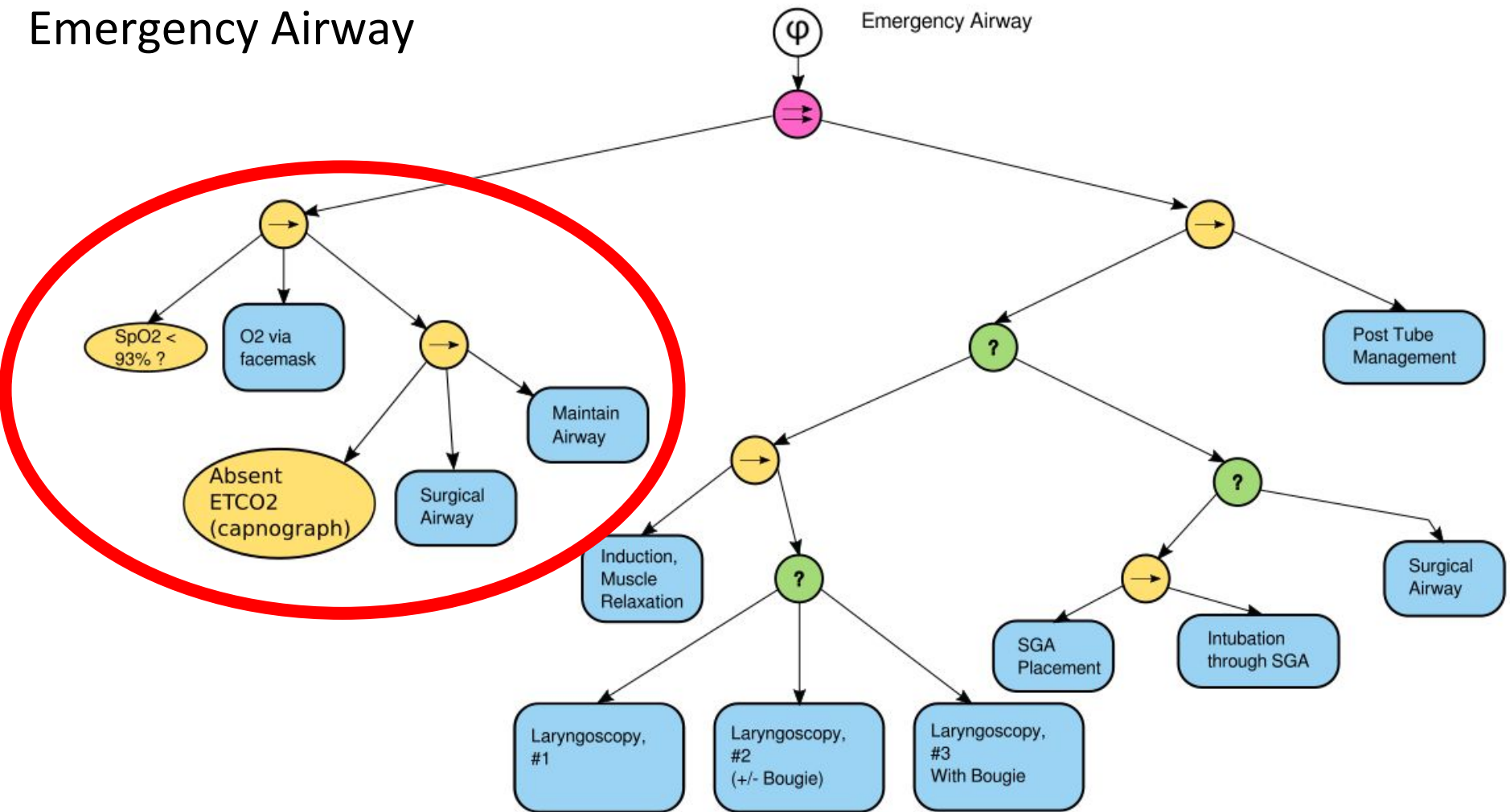
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If SP02 drops to 93% at any point:

- Facemask + OPA or SGA
- If no ETCO2 progress to Surgical Airway

# Emergency Airway





# NRI-Small: Advanced biophotonics for image-guided robotic surgery

## University of Washington team of investigators:

Eric Seibel, PhD – laser imaging, diagnostics, surgery (PI)

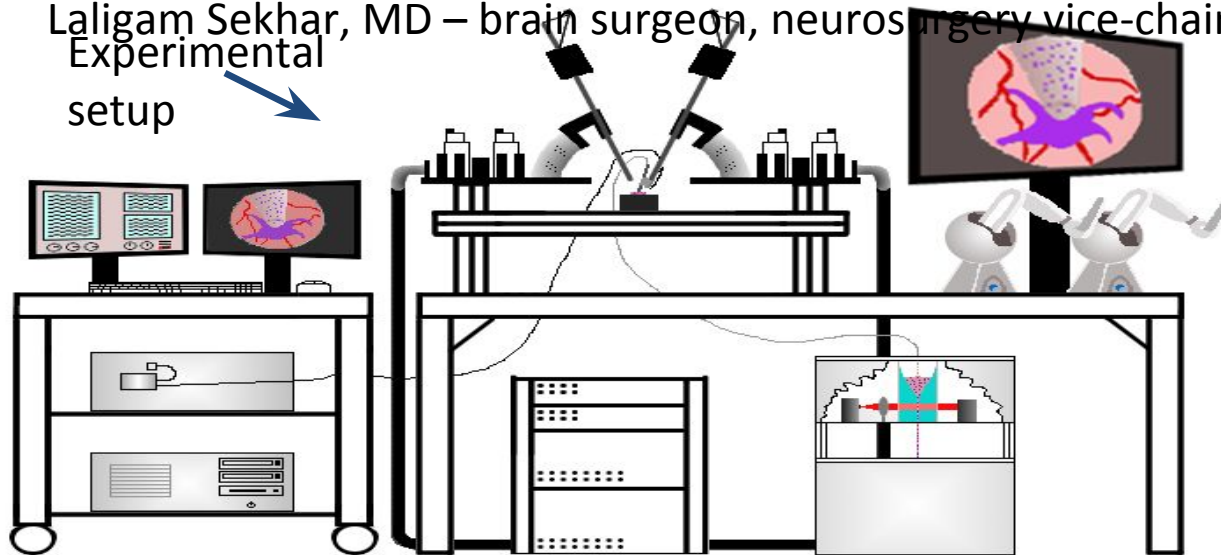
Blake Hannaford, PhD – medical surgical robotics (co-I)

James M. Olson, MD, PhD – brain tumor fluorescence marker

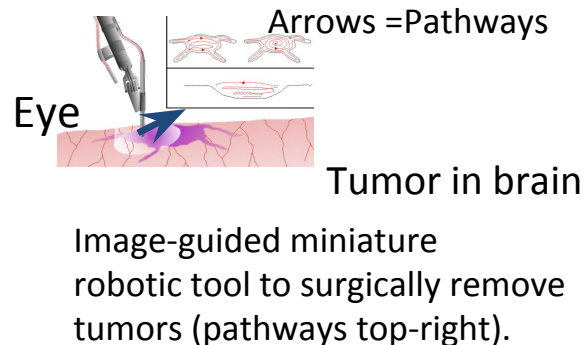
Richard Ellenbogen, MD – brain surgeon, neurosurgery chair

Laligam Sekhar, MD – brain surgeon, neurosurgery vice-chair

Experimental  
setup



Laser imaging (left) on robot arms (center) manipulated by surgeon's console of display and hand controls (right).



## Project Goals:

1. Small keyhole incision
2. Laser micro-endoscope (eye) on robotic surgical tool
3. Fluorescence highlights tumor cells in the brain
4. All tumor cells removed using computer vision based identification & navigation
5. Smallest possible margin to minimize loss of healthy

## • Behavior Tree Modeling of the Tumor Ablation Procedure

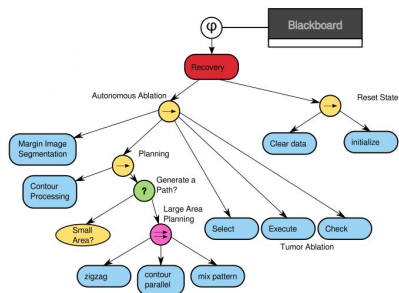


Figure: BT representation of the tumor ablation procedure

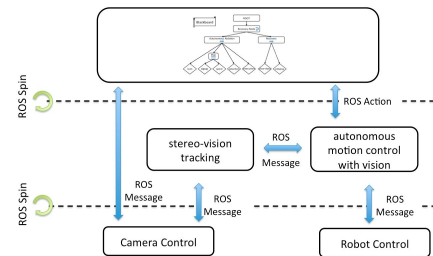
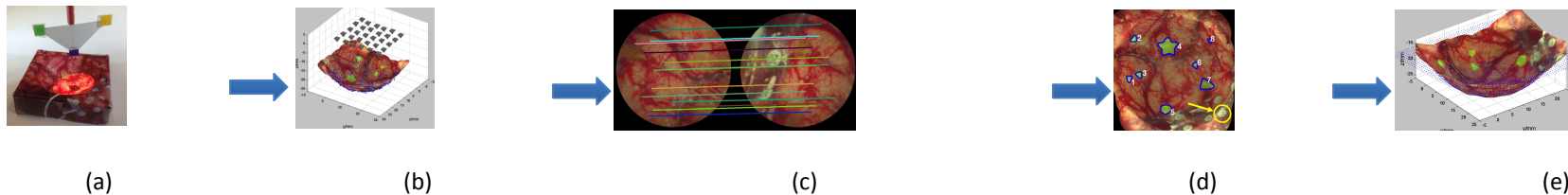


Figure: Software Architecture

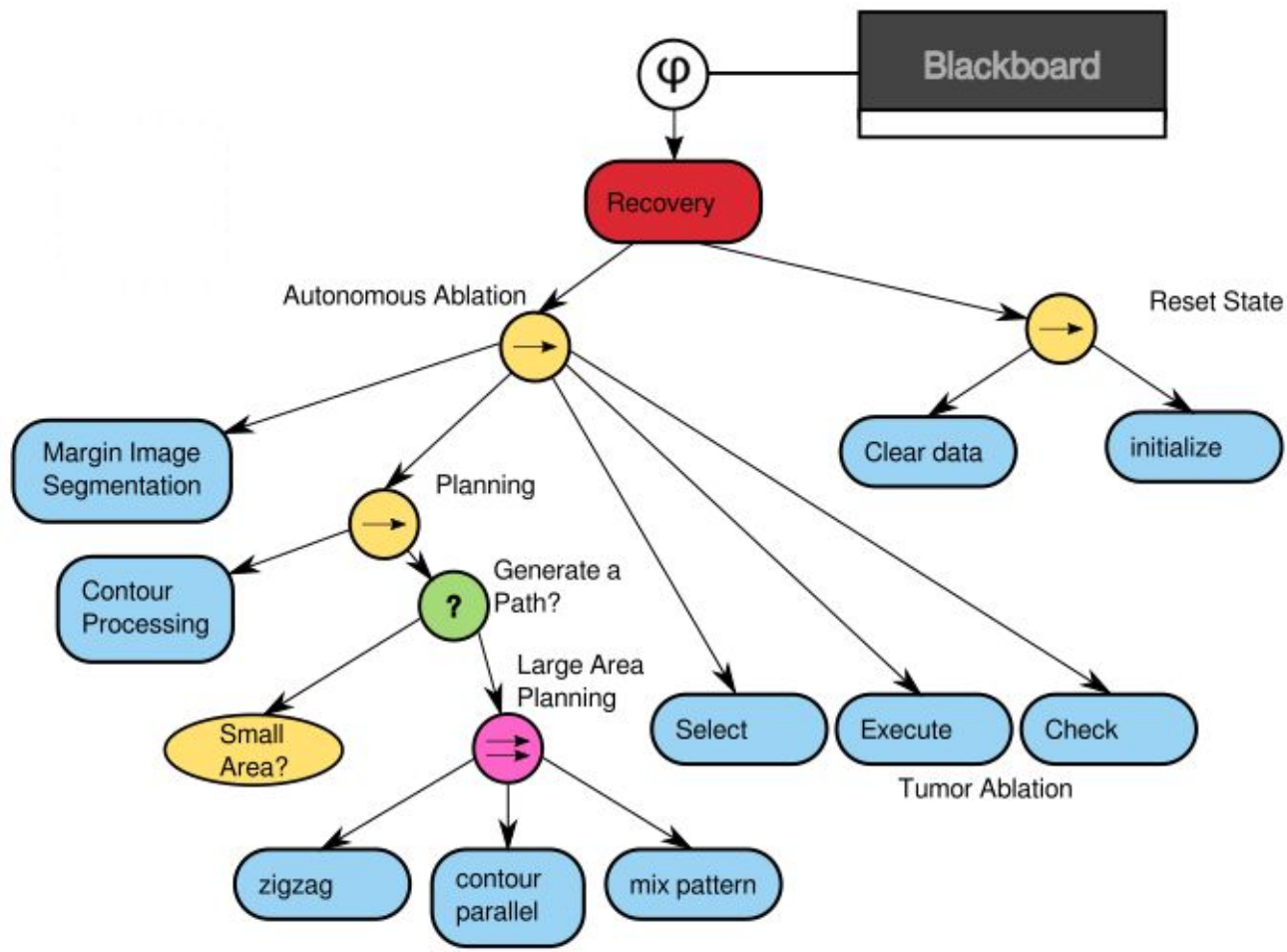
## • 3D virtual reconstruction of surgical field



## • Ablation path planning (in the planar surgical field)



- Behavior Tree Modeling of the Tumor Ablation Procedure



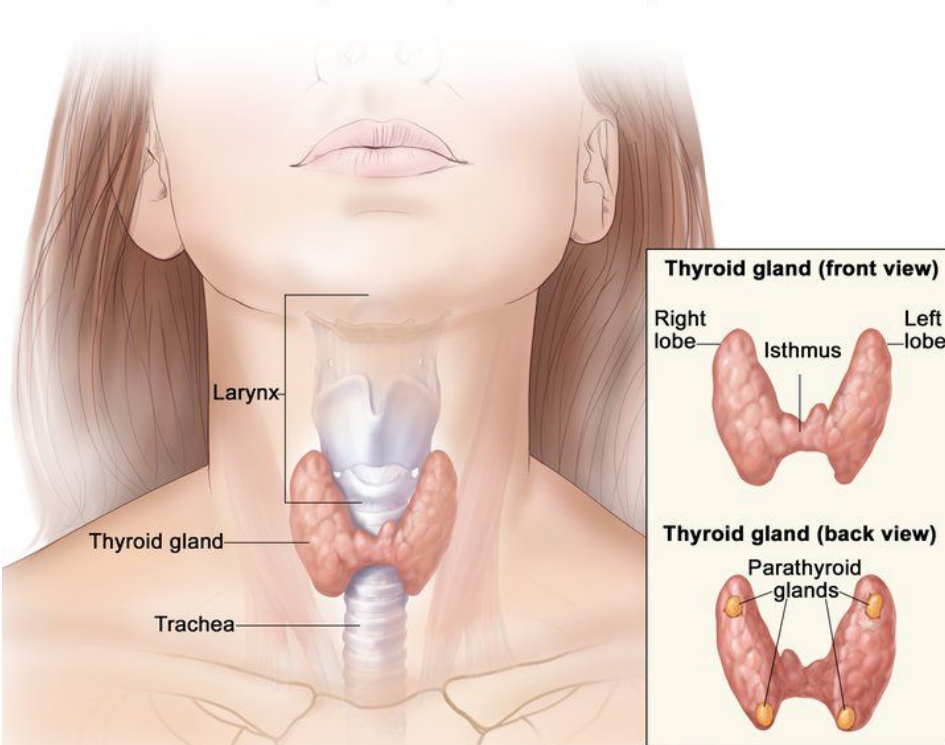
Post Operative Patient Mangement: Pediatric Total Thyroidectomy

**Risk:** Do NOT accidentally take out the parathyroid glands

(Key function: life dependent regulation of  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  ions in your bloodstream)

# Post operative management of Ca<sup>++</sup> in pediatric total thyroidectomy

## Anatomy of the Thyroid and Parathyroid Glands



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Source: <https://visualsonline.cancer.gov>

Source: (Randy Bly M.D. co-author) -->

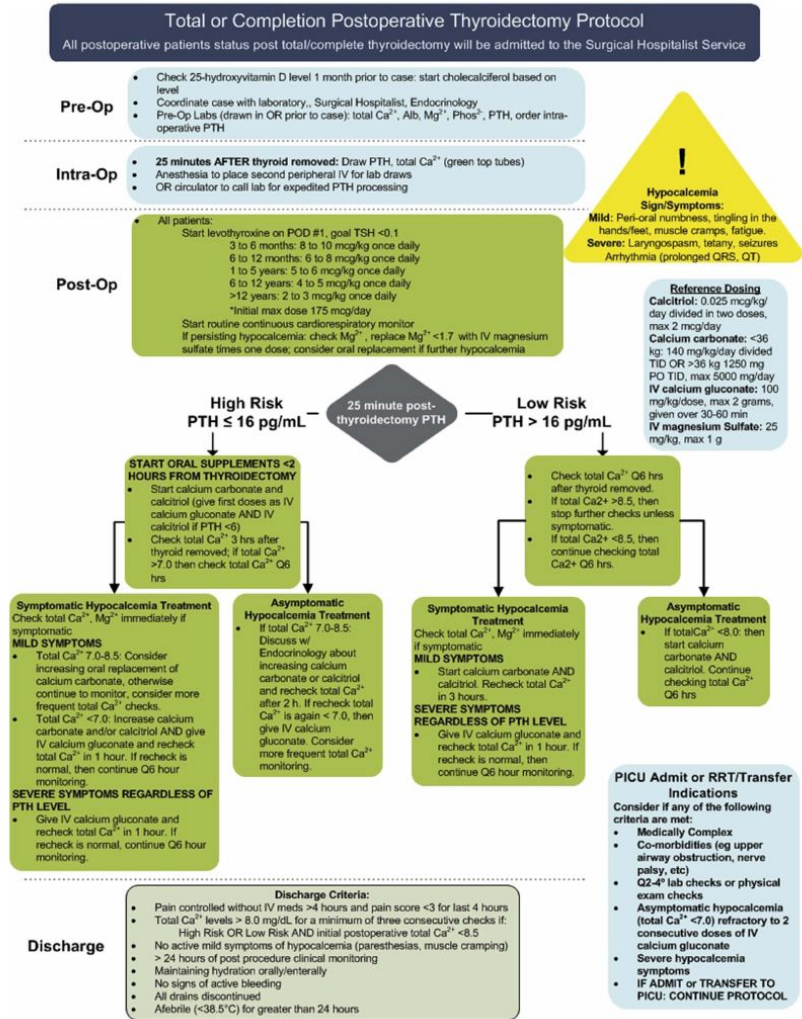
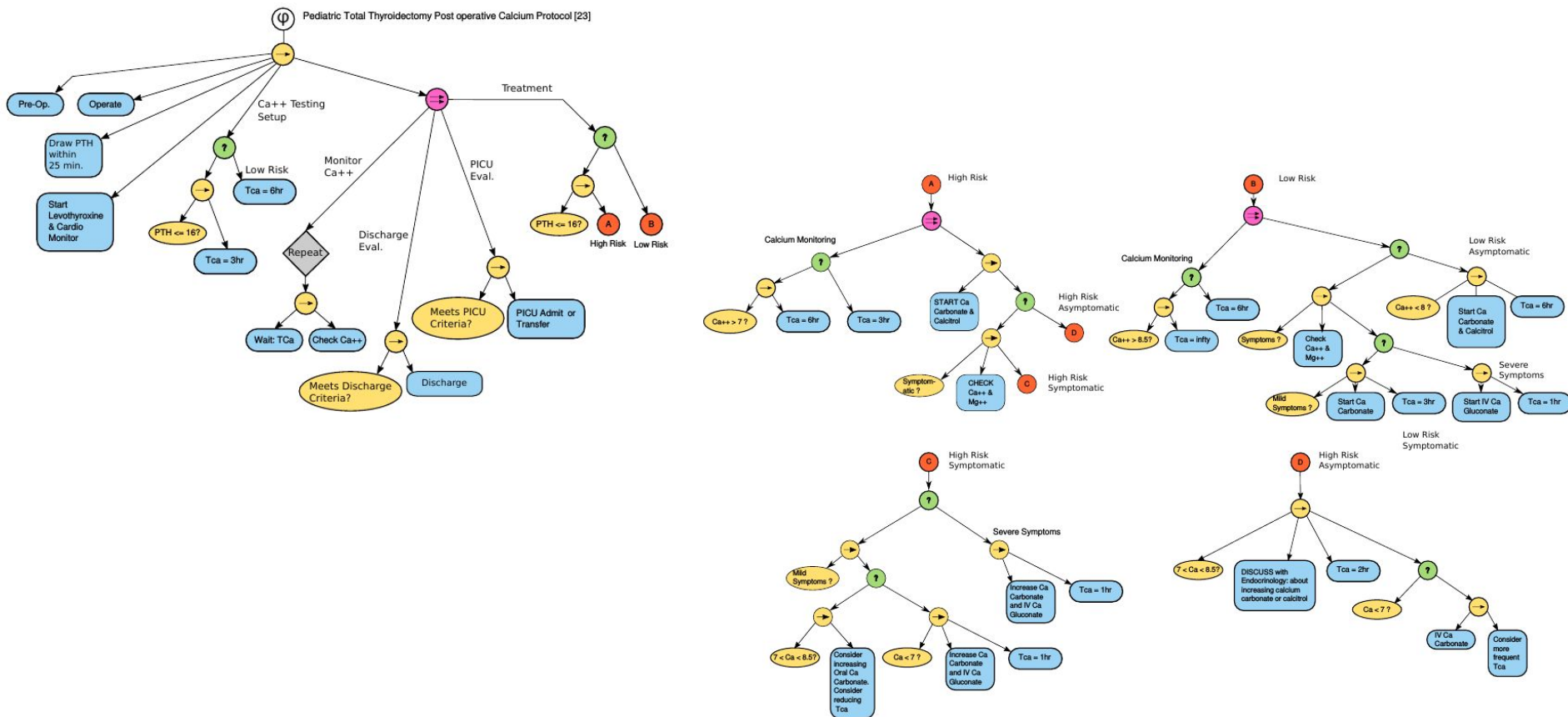


Fig. 1. Postoperative thyroidectomy protocol (total or completion thyroidectomy).

Post operative management of Calcium in pediatric total thyroidectomy: Behavior Tree



# Conclusions

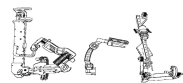
- Raven II
  - Much exciting research being done in surgical robotics
  - Worldwide community of Researchers
  - Exciting business opportunities
- Behavior Trees
  - A promising way to represent medical procedures / “clinical practice guidelines”
  - Human authorable, readable
  - Connect to AI techniques:
    - Hybrid dynamical systems
    - Hidden Markov Models
    - Machine Learning



# Kinematics Tool: IKBT

<https://github.com/uw-biorobotics/IKBT>

- **Symbolic** Forward Kinematics, Jacobian Matrix, Inverse Kinematics
- All solutions, Solution sets, solution graph,
- LaTeX, Python, C++ output.





非常感谢你

Thank you very much!