





# Computer Graphics at Utah



**1, 2. David Evans /Ivan Sutherland**

- Founded CS Dept at the UofU in 1968
- Ivan Sutherland - Turing award
- Founded Evans & Sutherland Company

**3. John Warnock**

- Worked at Evans & Sutherland
- Founded Adobe
- Hidden Line Removal Algorithm
- Helped invent Postscript @ Adobe

**4. Ed Catmull**

- Worked at Lucas Film
- Co-Founded Pixar
- President of Disney Animation Studios
- Chair of CoE External Advisory Board

**5. Jim Clark**

- Founded SGI, Netscape, Healthcon
- Work in Geometry Pipelines

**6. Alan Kay**

- Personal Computer
- Turing Award Winner
- Object Oriented Languages

**7. Nolan Bushnell**

- Invented Pong
- Founded Atari

**8. Jim Kajiya**

- Rendering Equation
- VP Research at Microsoft

**9. Tom Stockham**

- Known for work in Signal Processing
- Helped to invent the CD Player

**10. Jim Blinn**

- Invented Blinn-Phong Shading Model

**11. Henri Gouraud**

- Invented Gouraud Shading Model

**12. Bui Tuong Phong**

- Invented Phong Reflection and Shading Models

**13. Allen Ashton**

- Word Perfect
- My CFO Founder

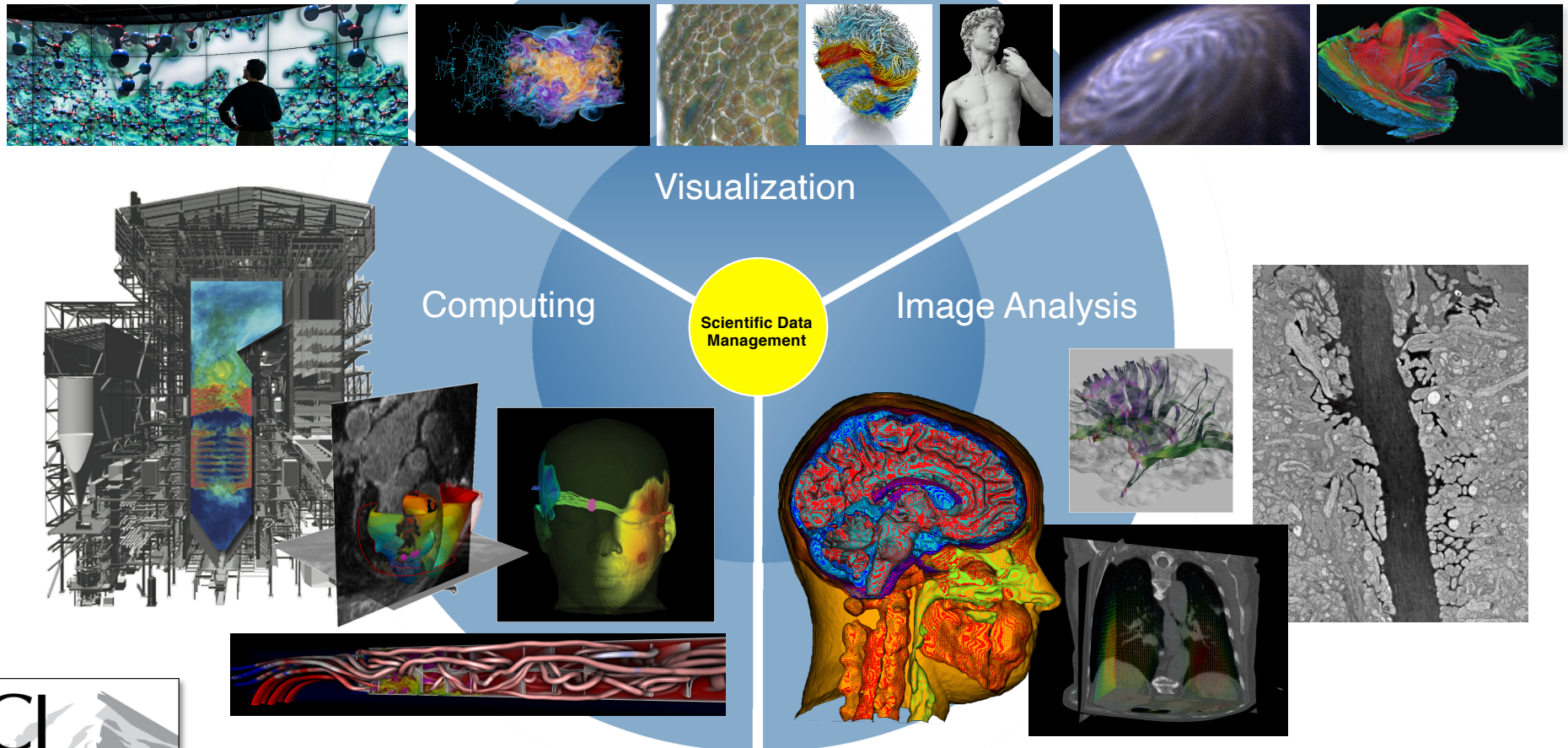








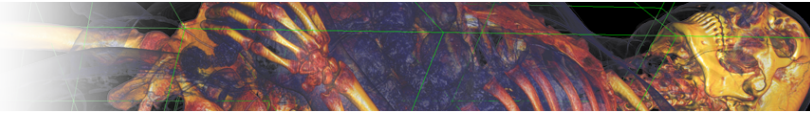
# Research Cores






# Centers We Direct

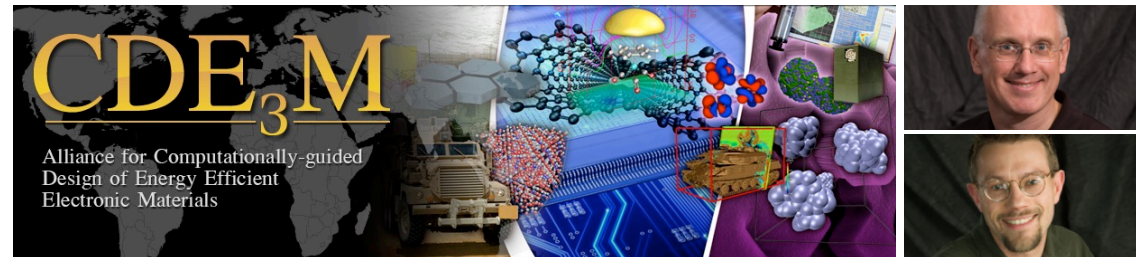
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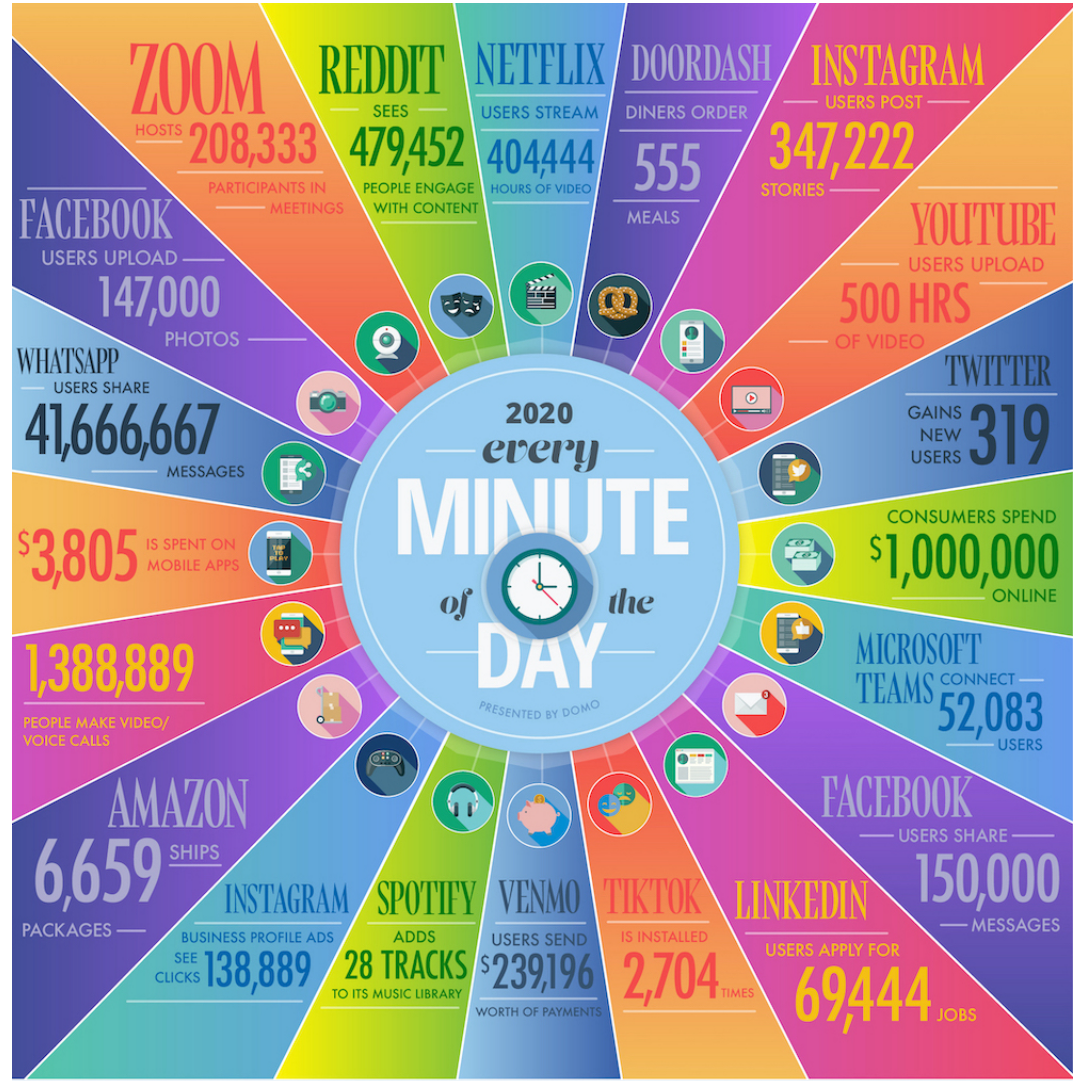
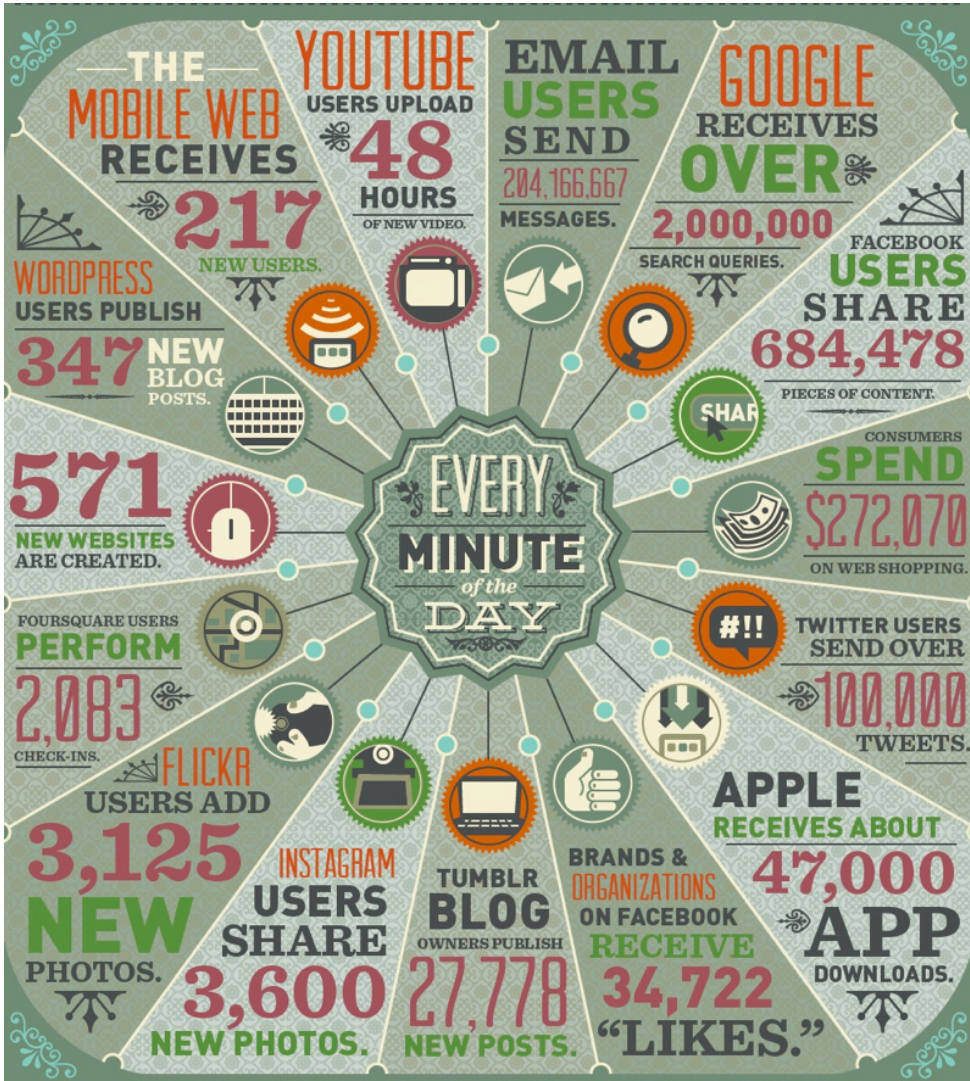
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH  
CENTER FOR EXTREME DATA MANAGEMENT,  
ANALYSIS, AND VISUALIZATION



 **Graphics and  
Visualization Institute**









# Brain Information Bandwidth

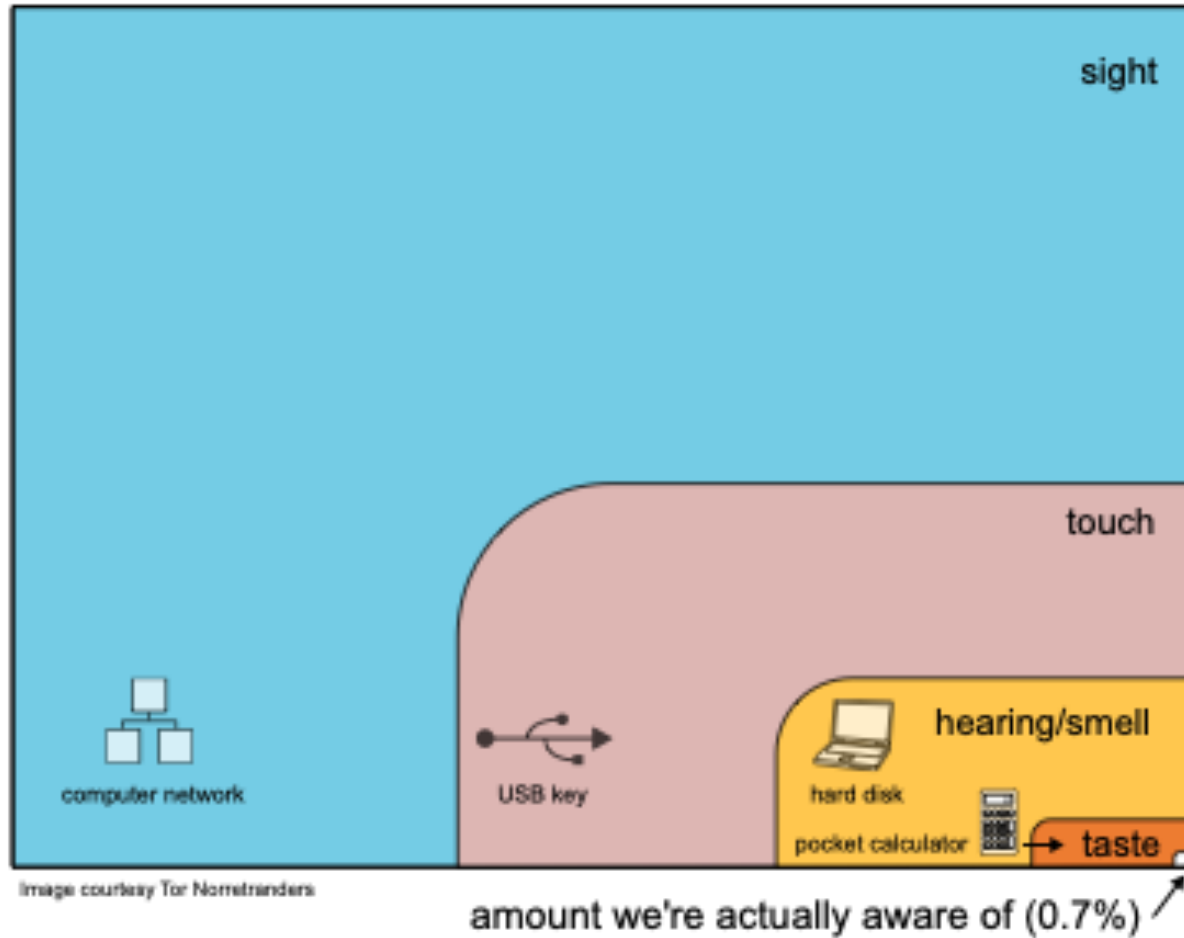
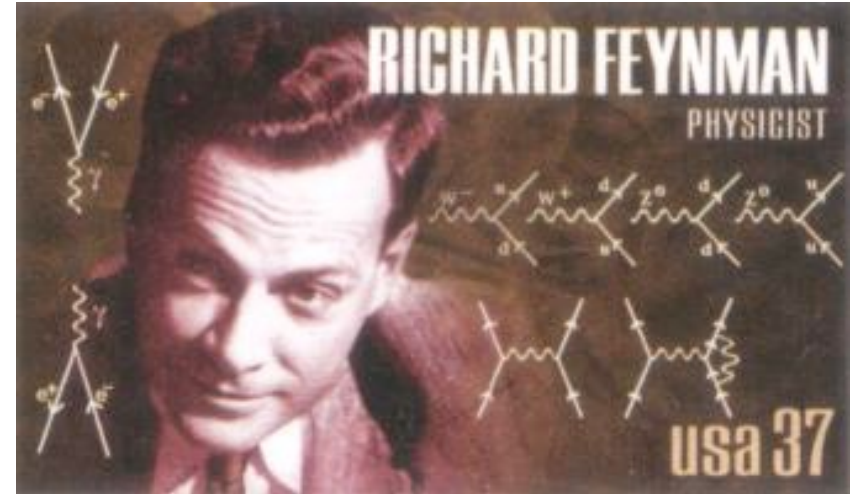


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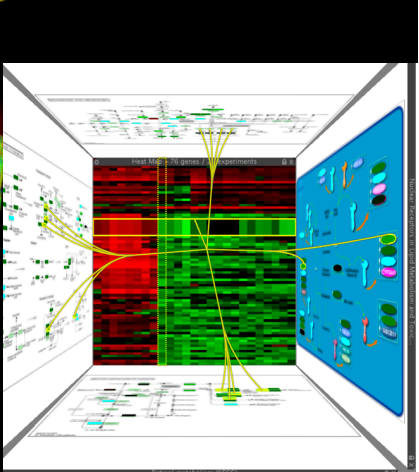
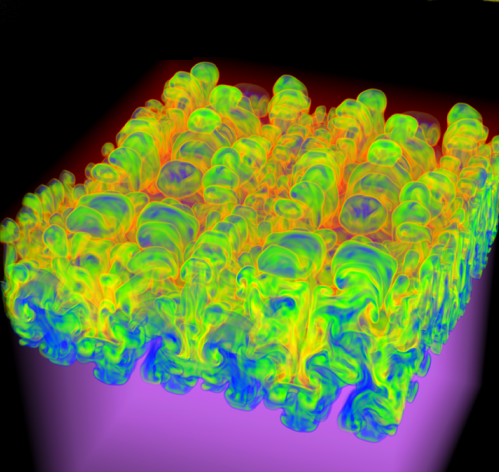
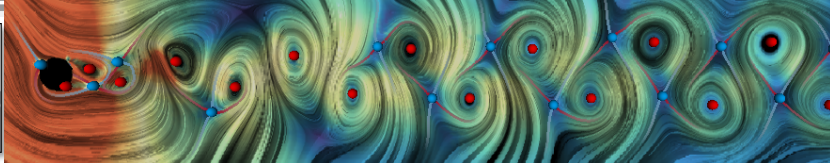
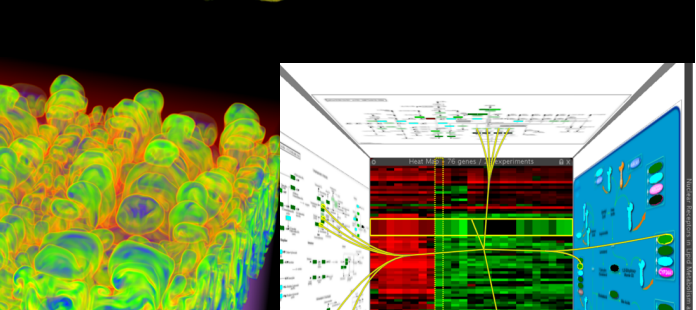
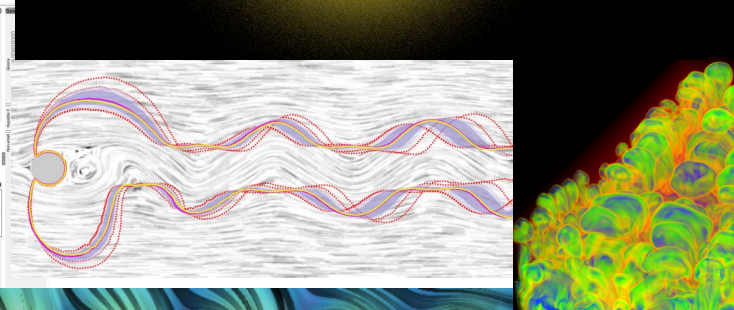
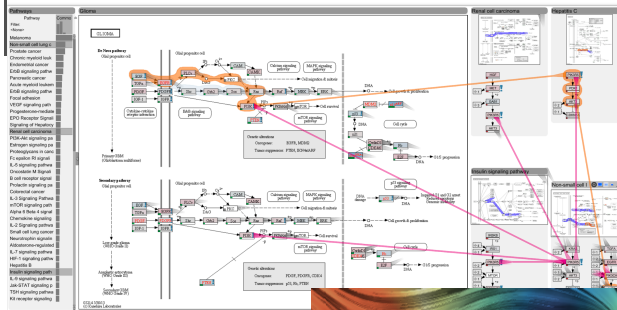
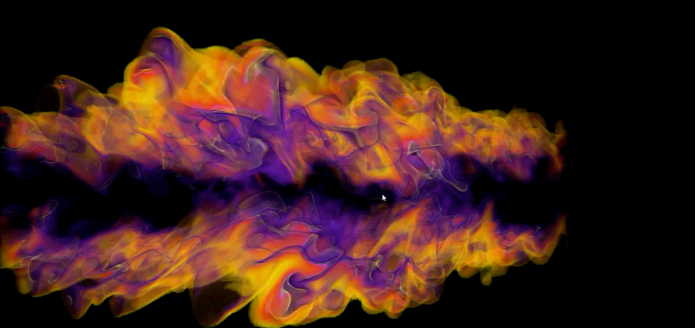
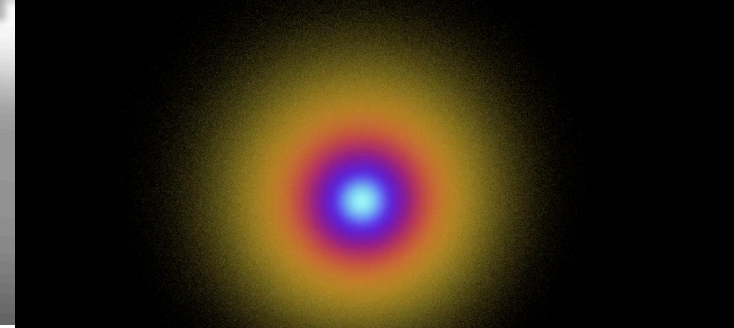
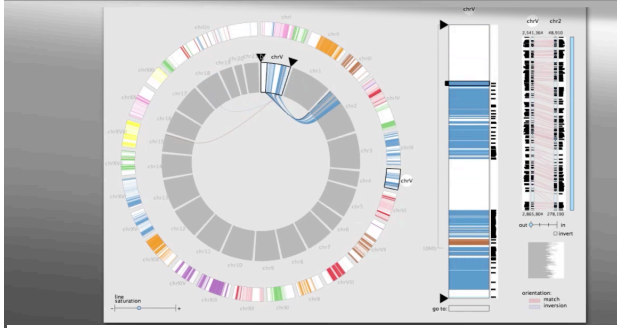
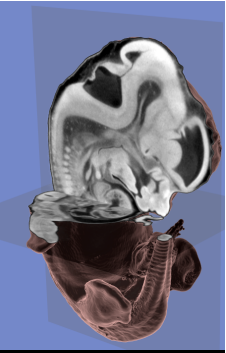
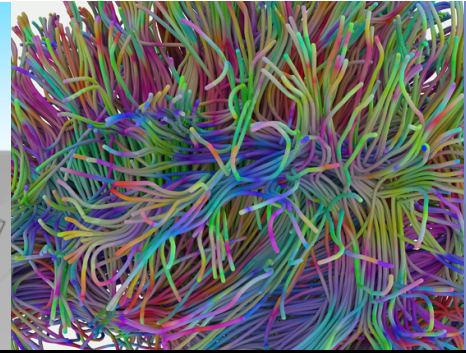
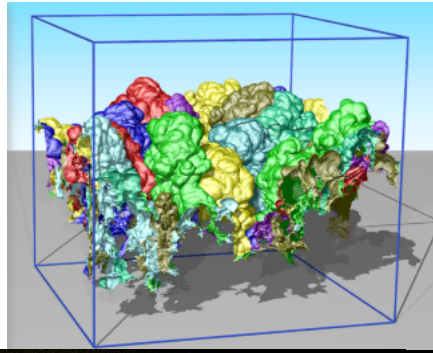
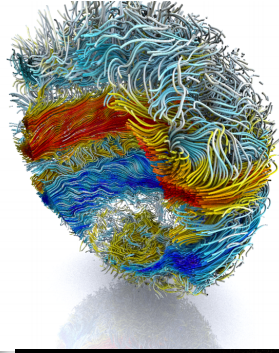
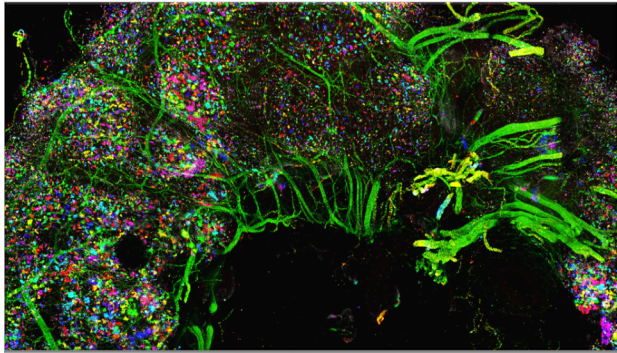


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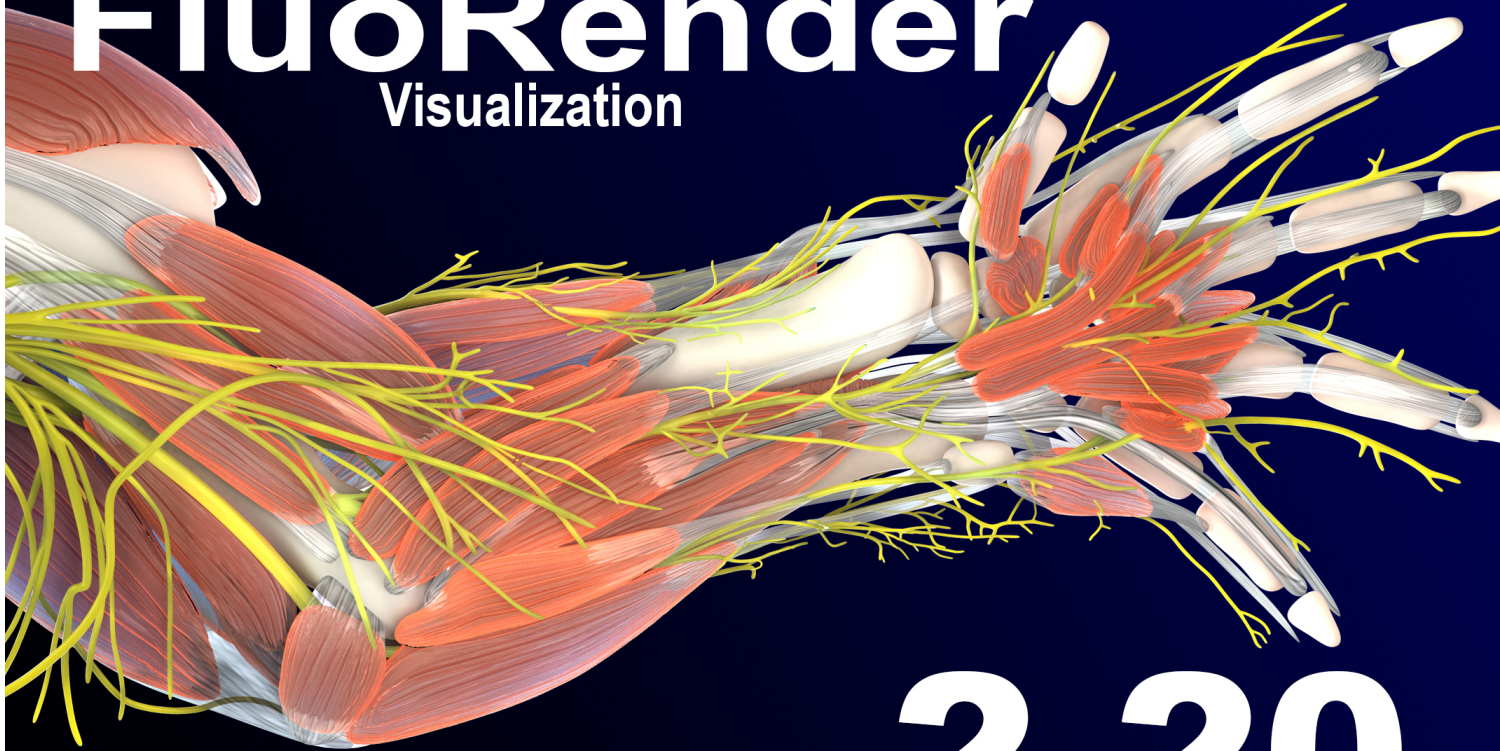
- Feynman: “What I am really try to do is bring birth to clarity, which is really a half-assedly thought-out-pictorial semi-vision thing. I would see the jiggle-jiggle-jiggle or the wiggle of the path. Even now when I talk about the influence functional, I see the coupling and I take this turn - like as if there was a big bag of stuff - and try to collect it in away and to push it. It's all visual. It's hard to explain.”
- James Gleick, *The Life and Science of Richard Feynman*, Vintage Books, New York, 1992.





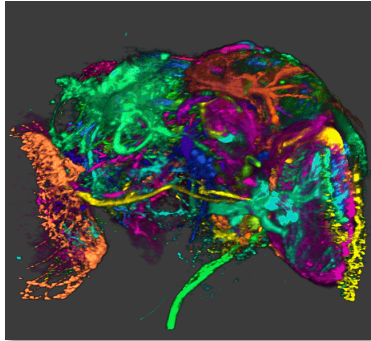


**CIBC**  
**FluoRender**  
Visualization

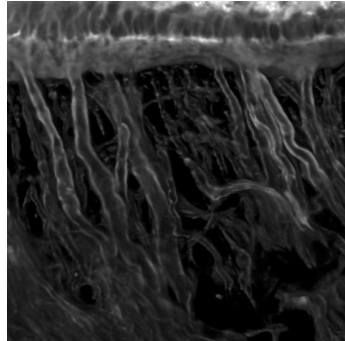


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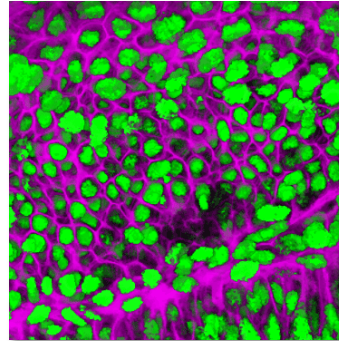
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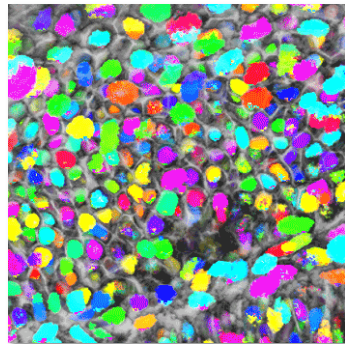
Multichannel  
visualization



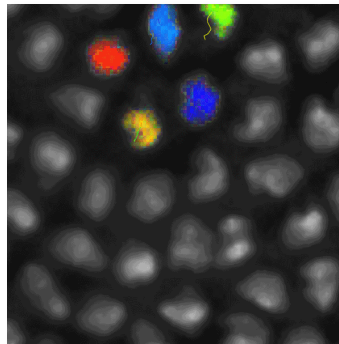
Interactive  
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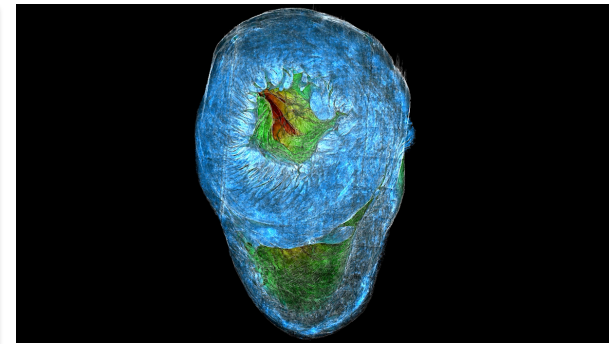
4D scan  
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Auto segmentation  
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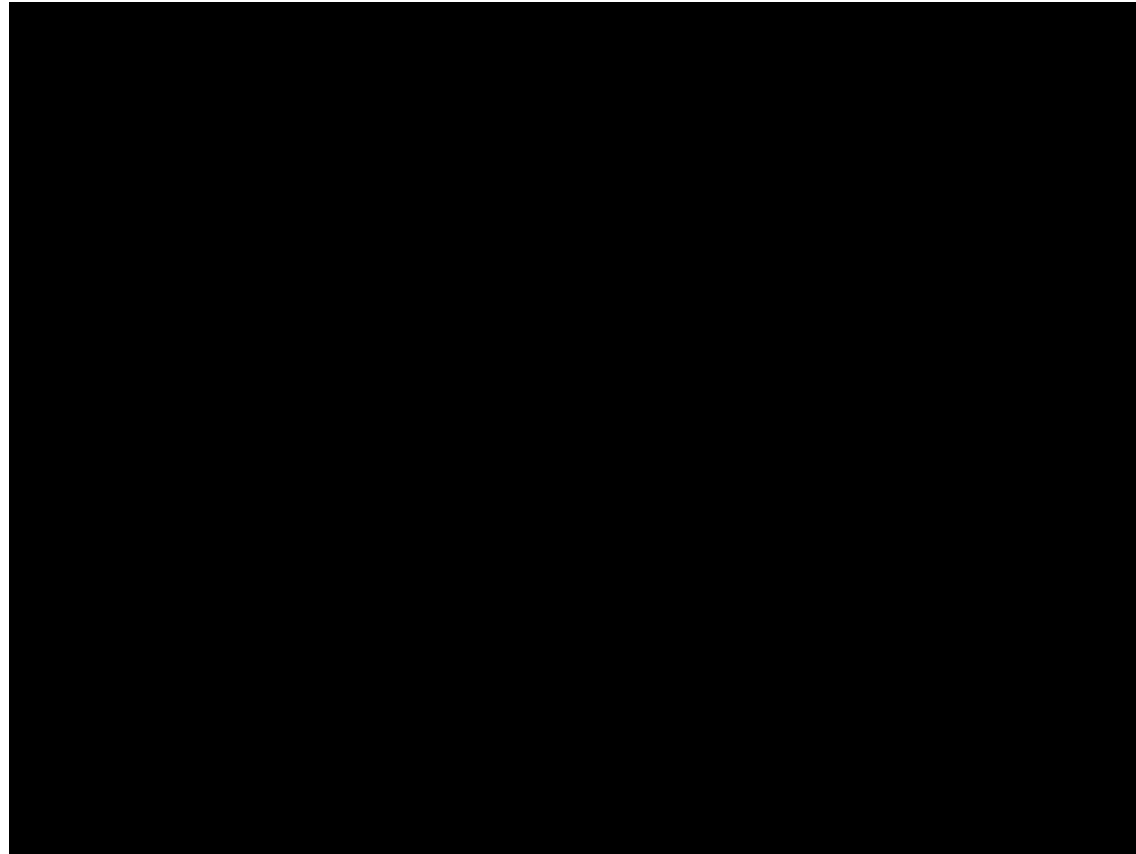
Large-Scale Data



# FluoRender



# Michelangelo's David





# Michelangelo's David - Part 2



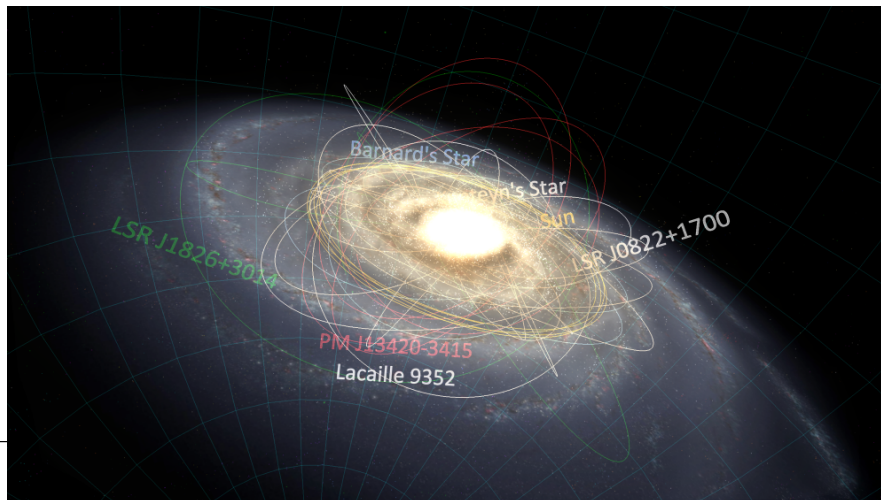
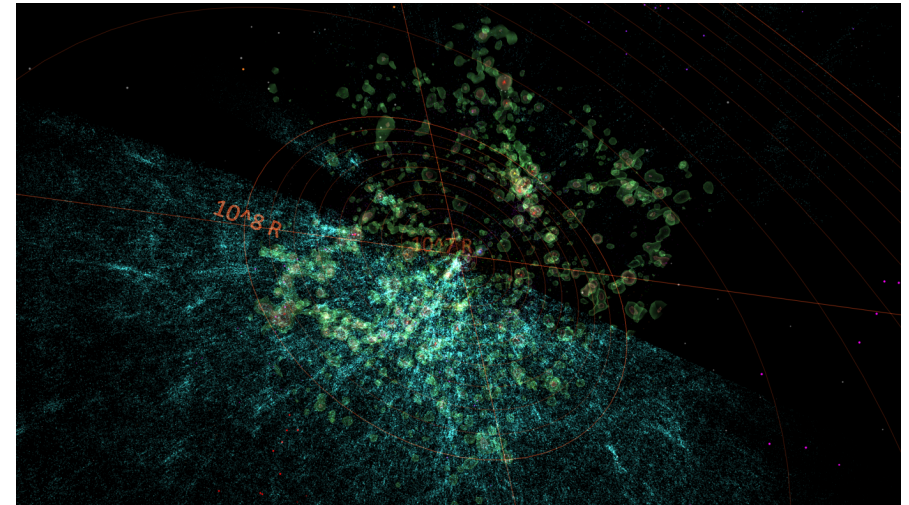
**One billion polygons  
to billions of pixels**

Welcome to the first  
gigapixel, multi-view  
rendering of  
The Digital Michelangelo  
Project's David

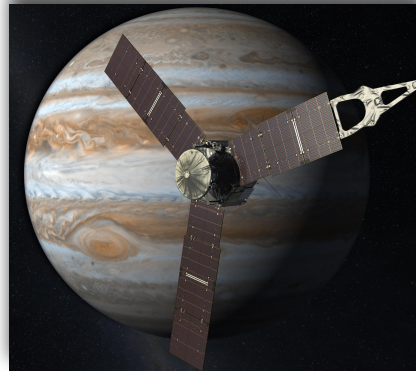
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Platform for:  
Visualization Research  
Space & Astro Research  
Science Communication

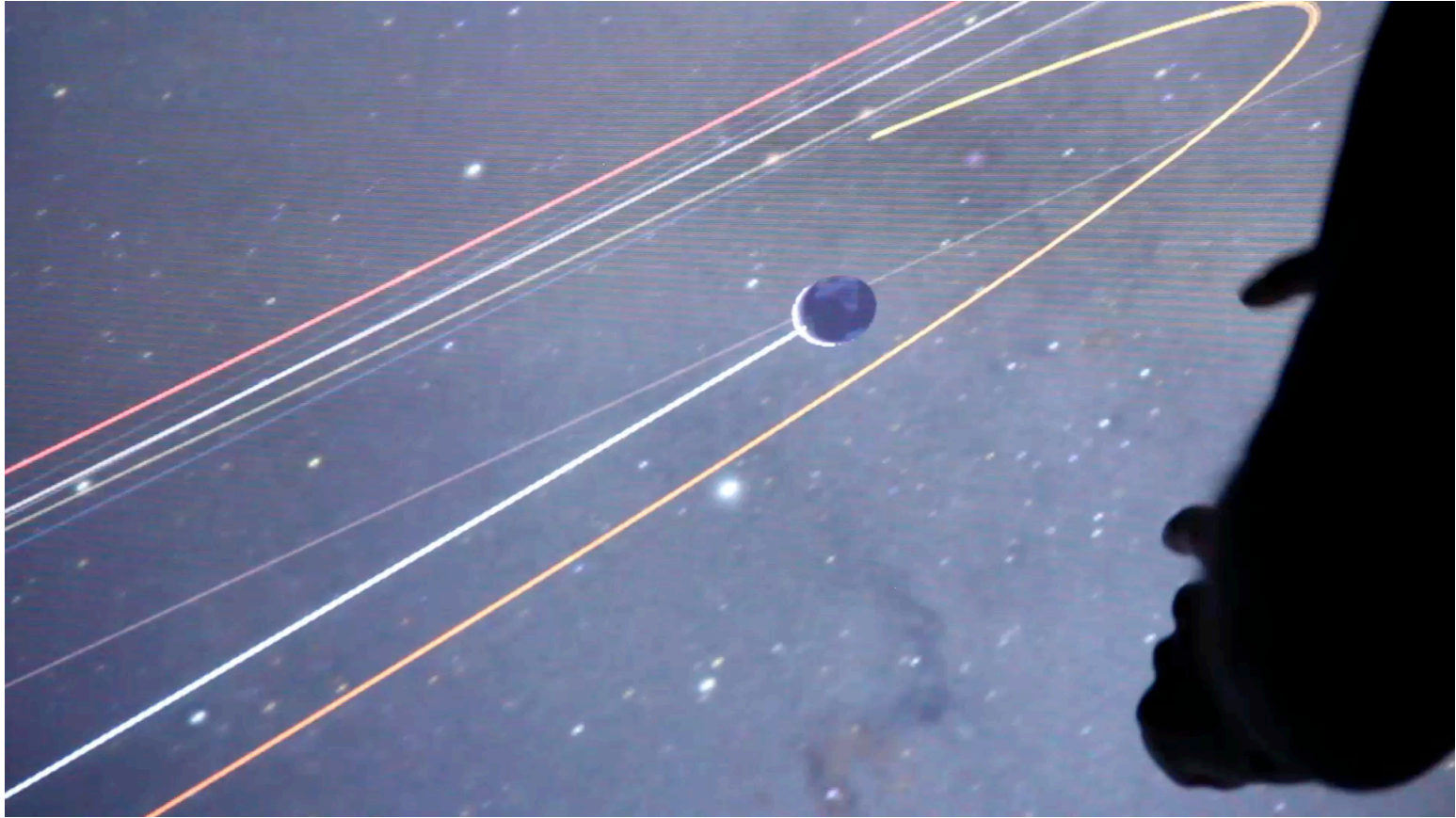




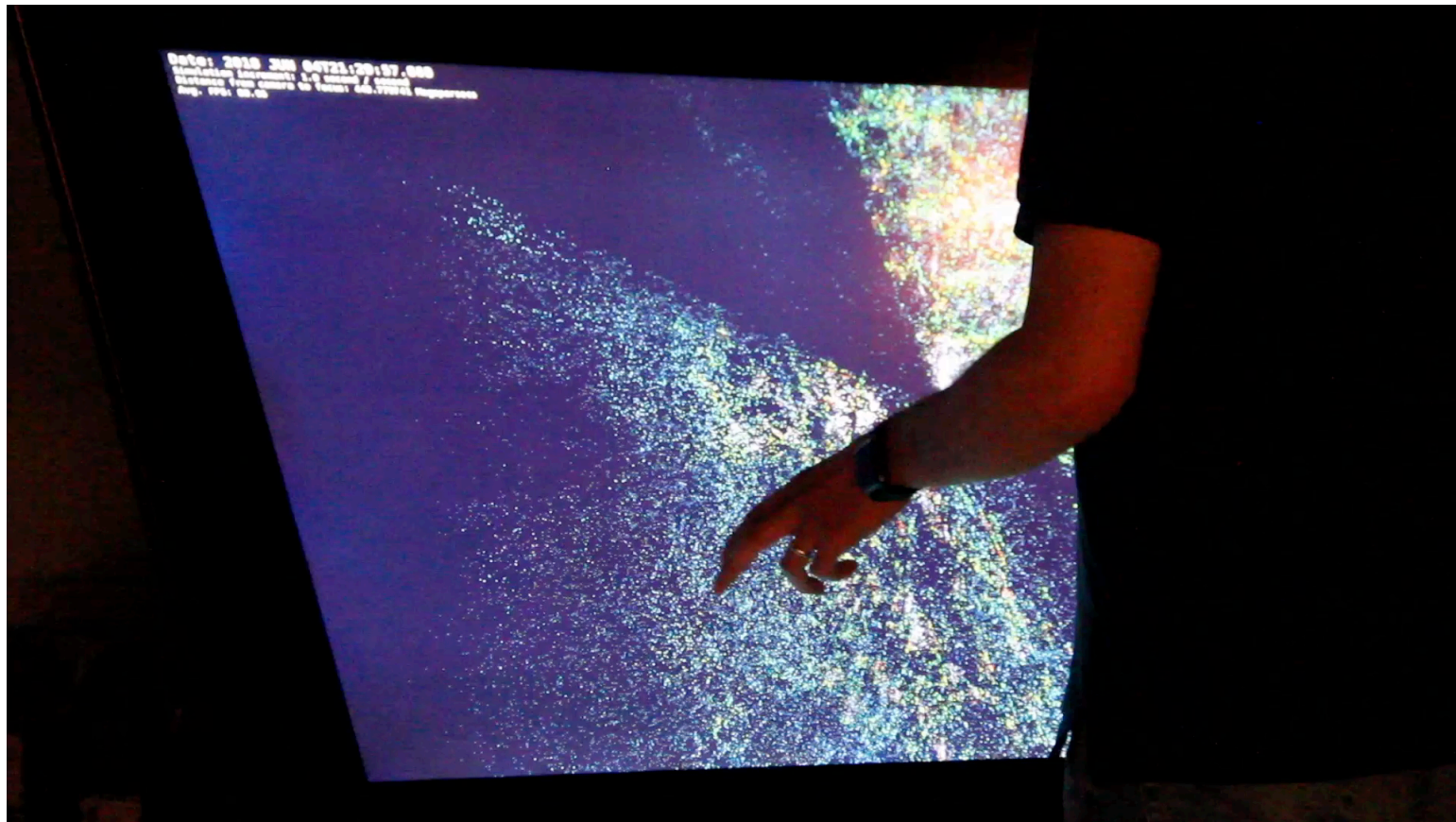
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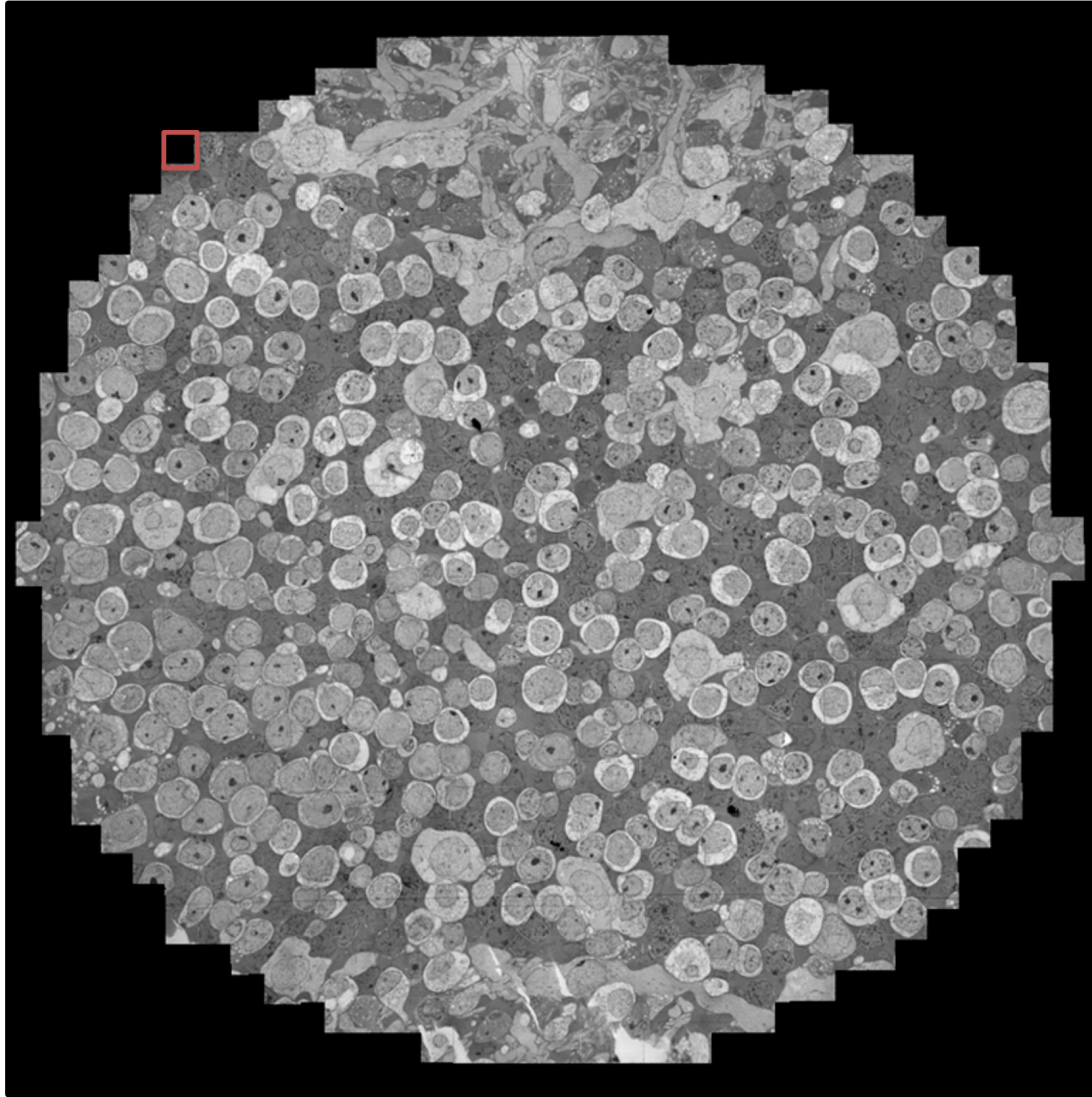


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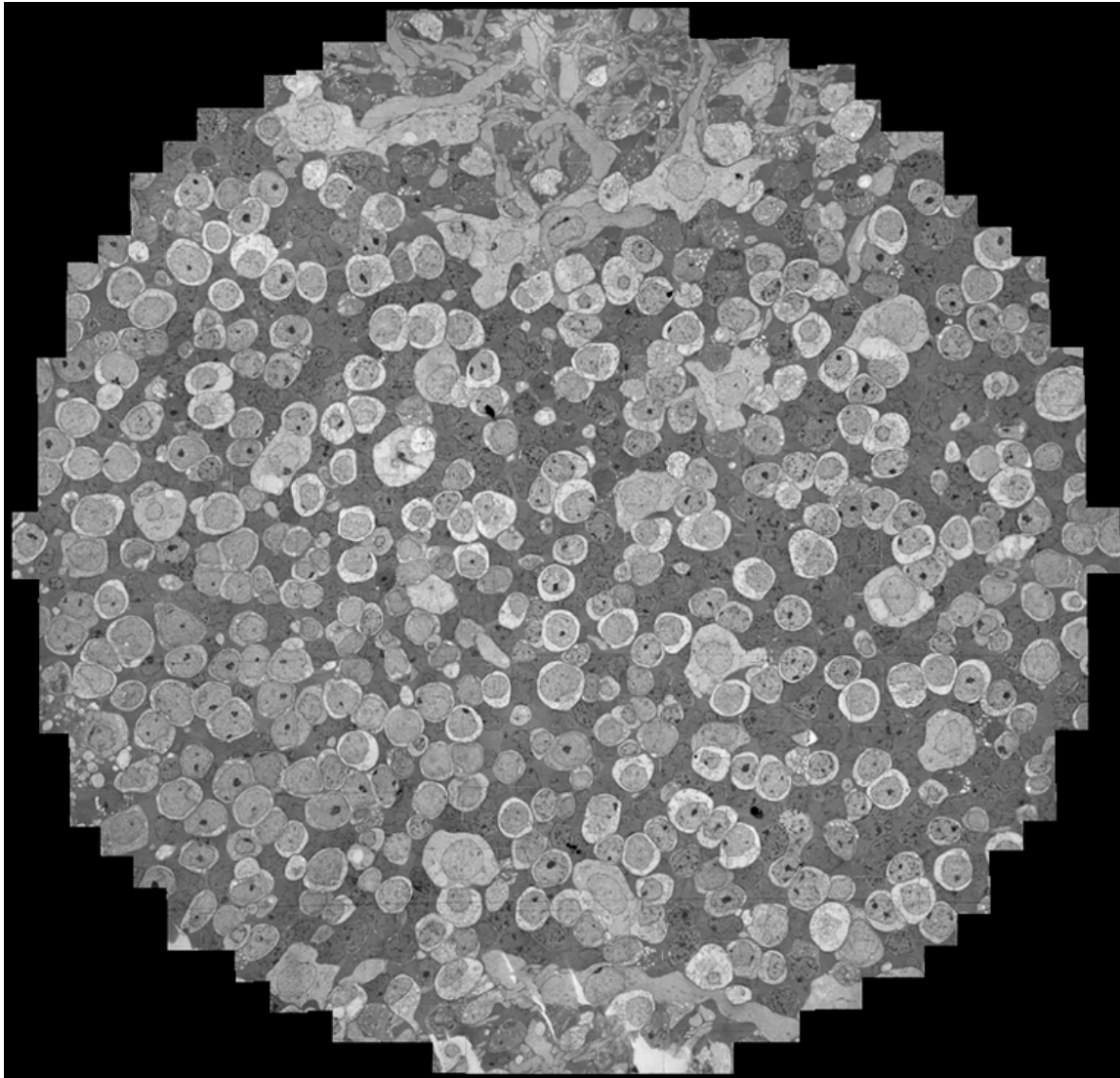










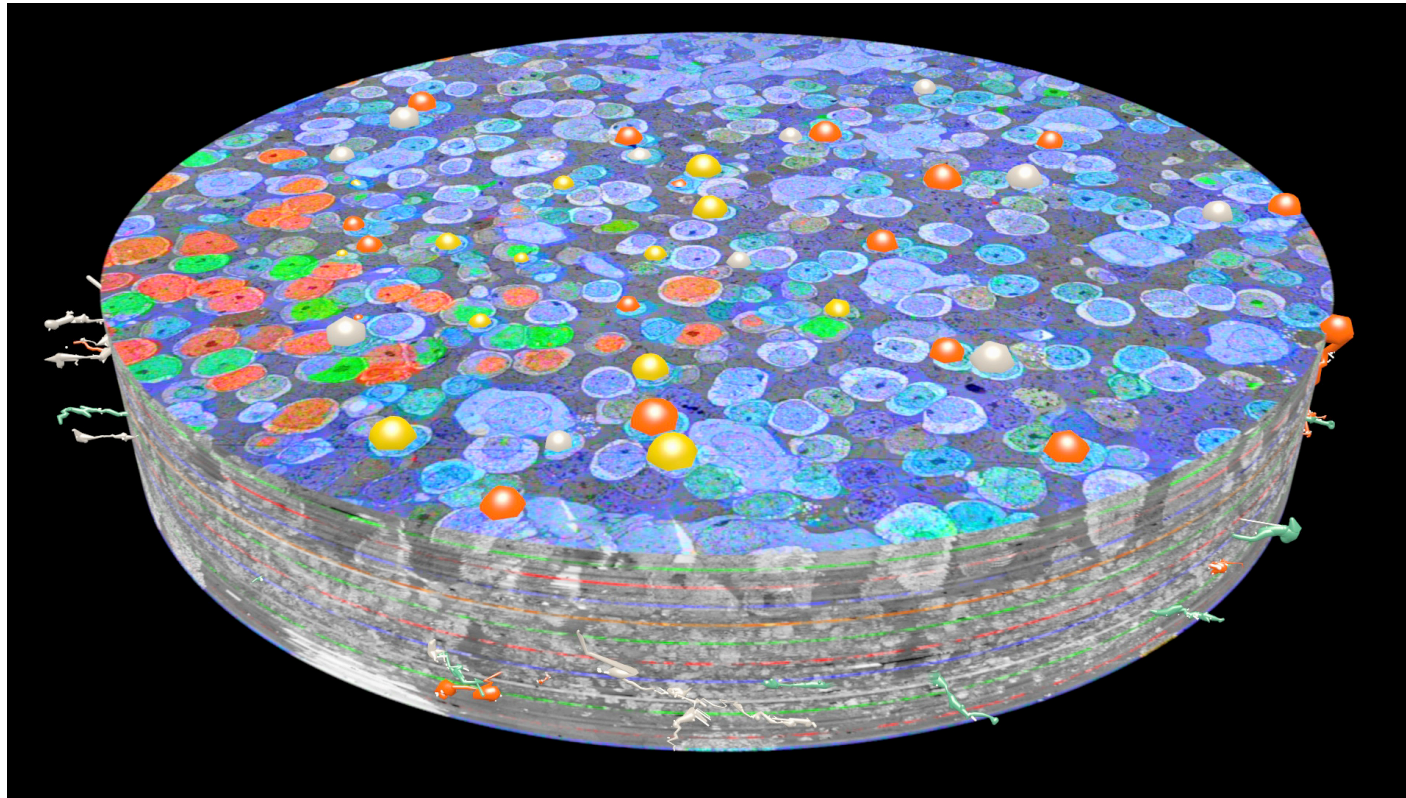


341 Sections  
90nm thick sections  
~32GB/Section  
~1000 tiles/section  
4096x4096 pixels/tile  
2.18 nm/Pixel  
16.5 TB after processing





# Connectome



# PROBLEM-DRIVEN VISUALIZATION RESEARCH *for biological data*

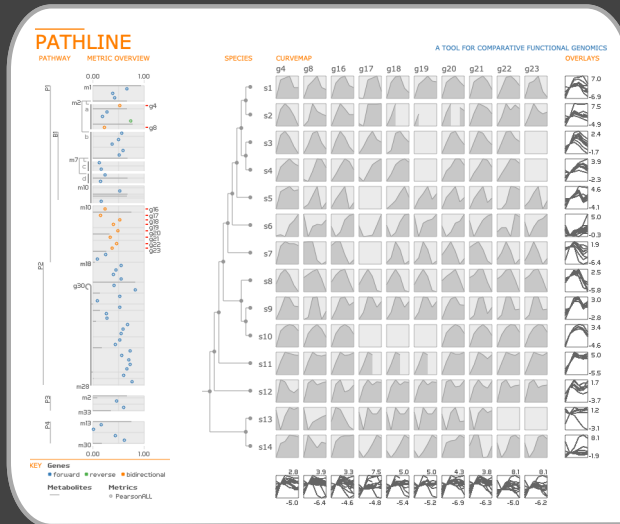
- *target specific biological problems*
- *close collaboration with biologists*
- *rapid, iterative prototyping*
- *focus on genomic and molecular data*





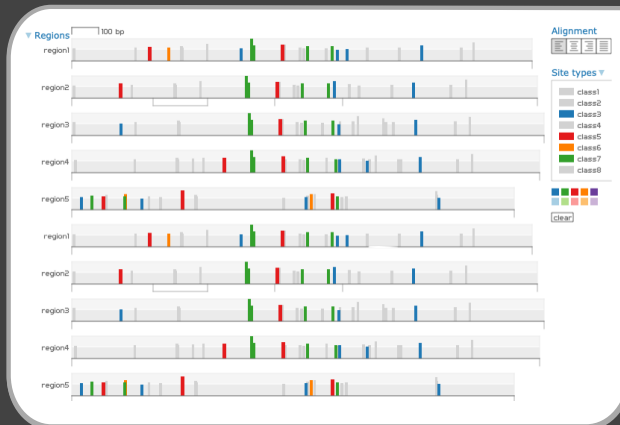
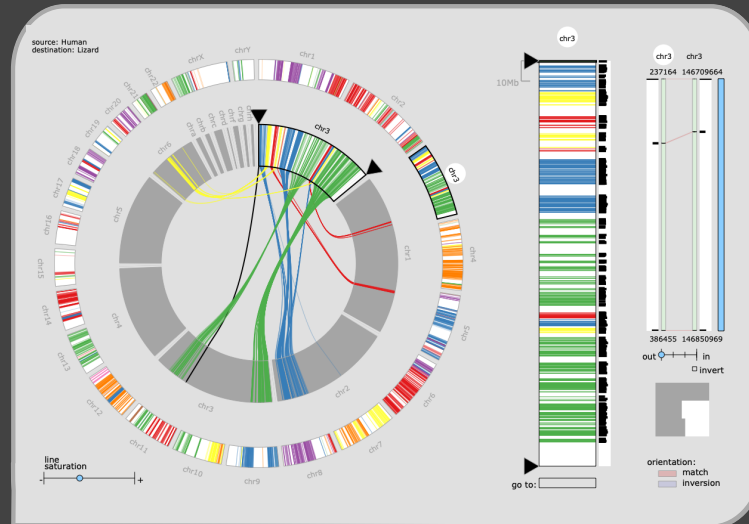
M. Meyer et al., EuroVis 2010.

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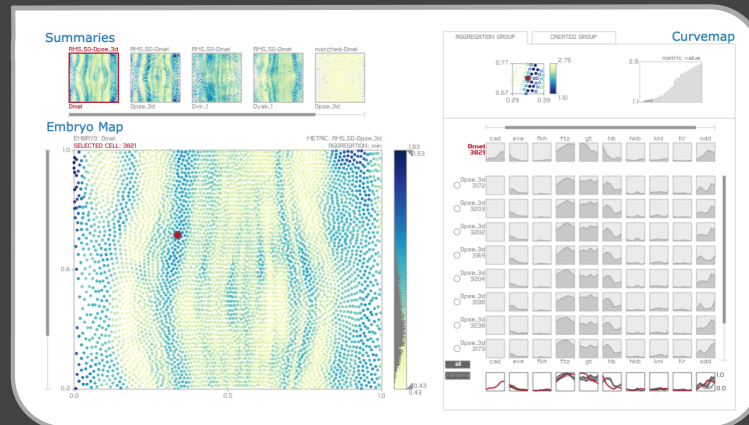


# MizBee

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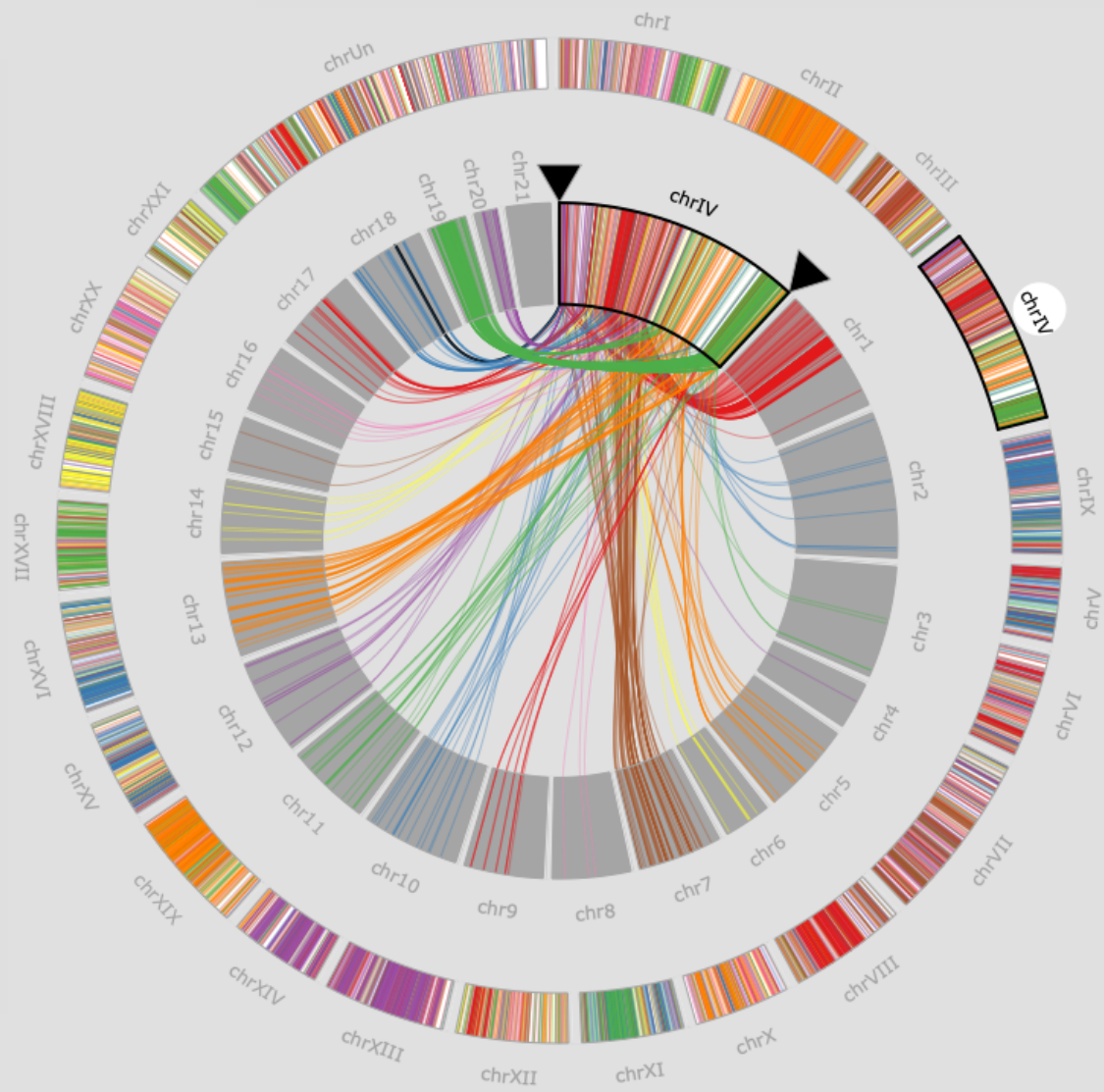
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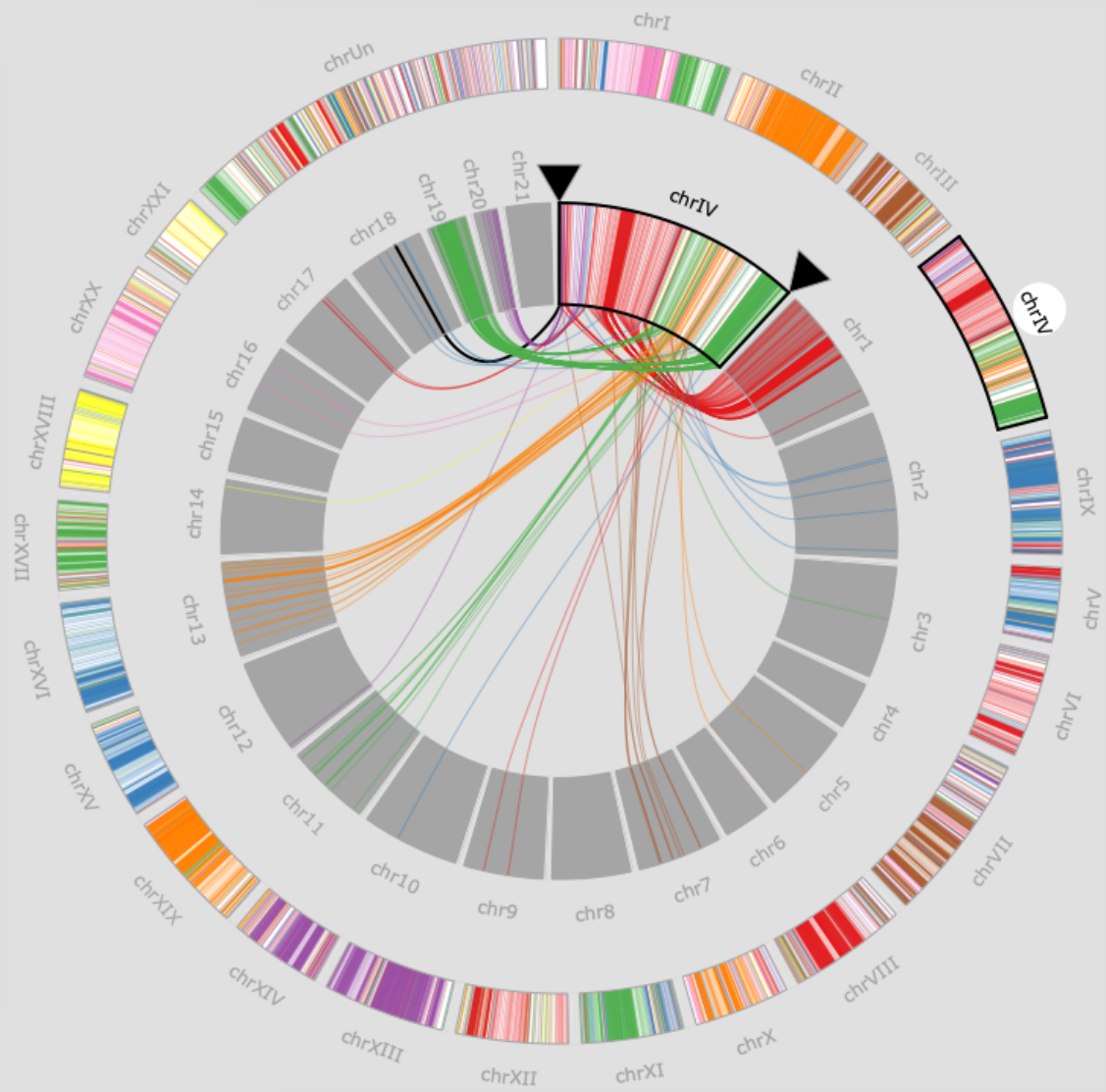
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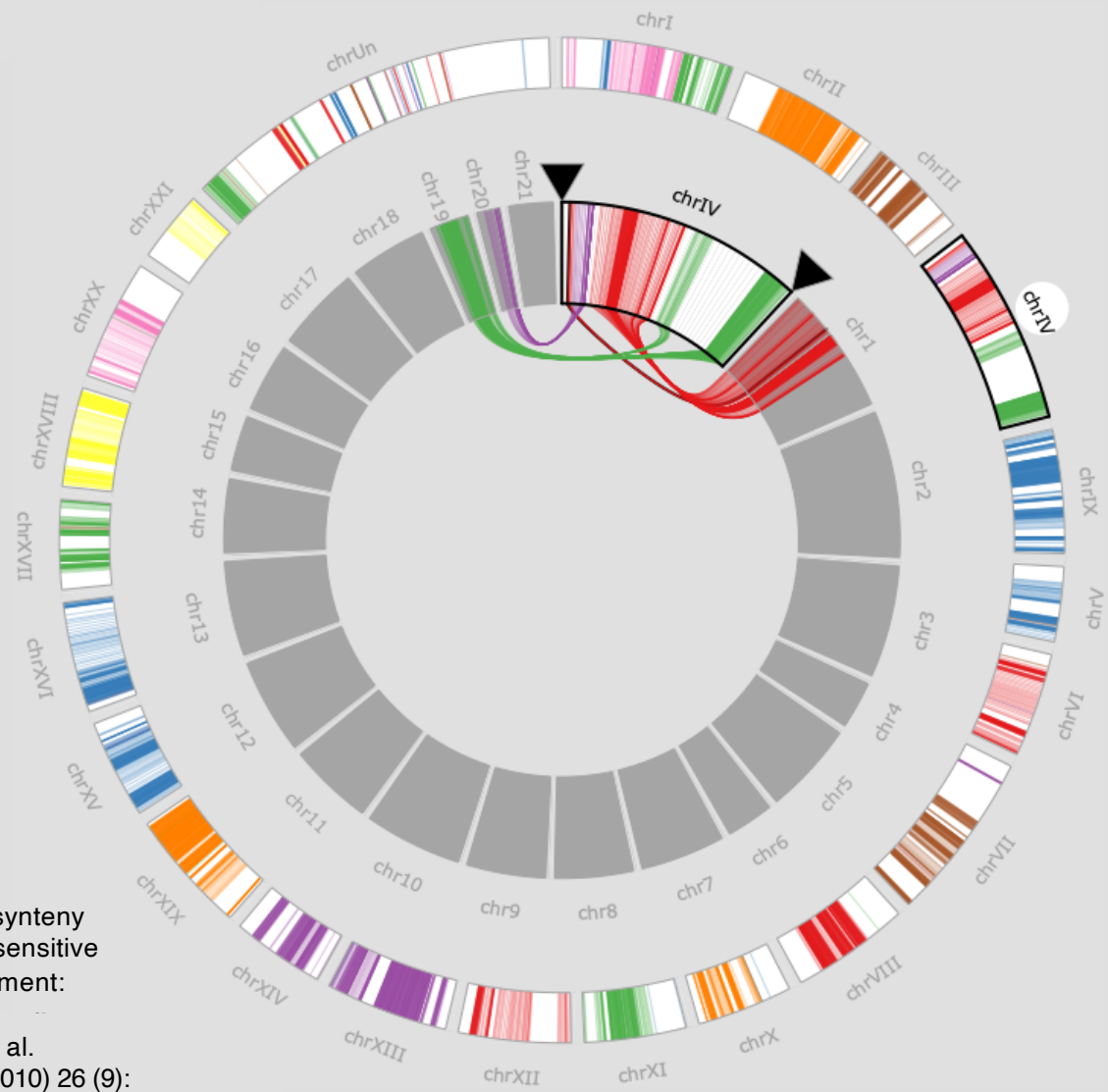
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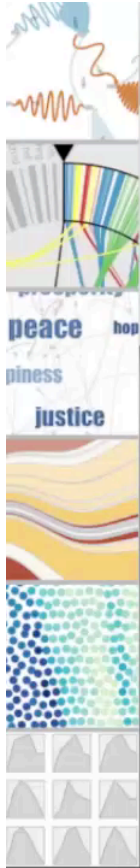






Genome-wide synteny through highly sensitive sequence alignment:  
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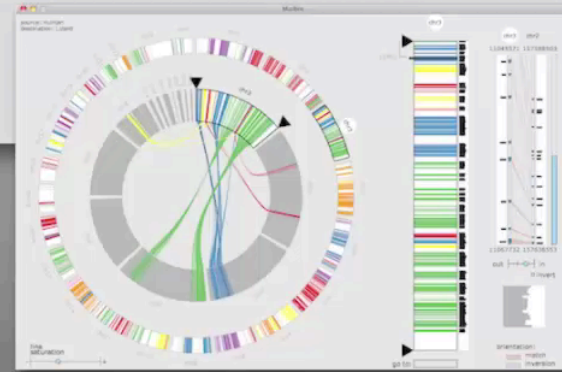




# Visualization of Biological Data

## MizBee

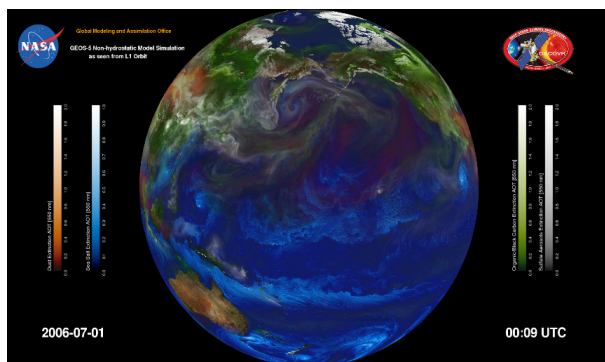
Browser that enables analysis of comparative genomics data through visualization across multiple scales.



# Scalable Deployment: Exploration of 3.5PB of NASA Weather/Climate Data in Real Time

## Workflow

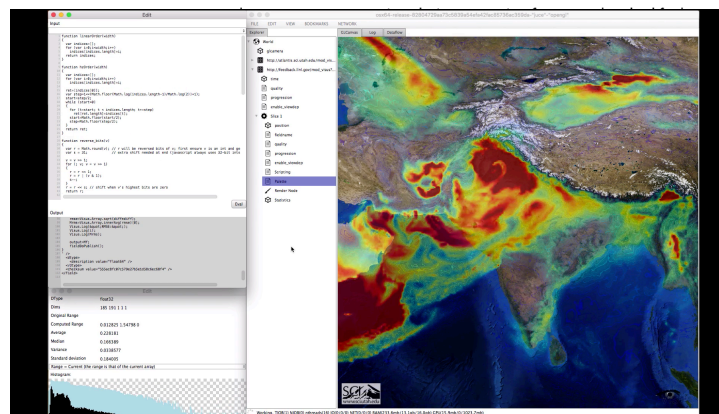
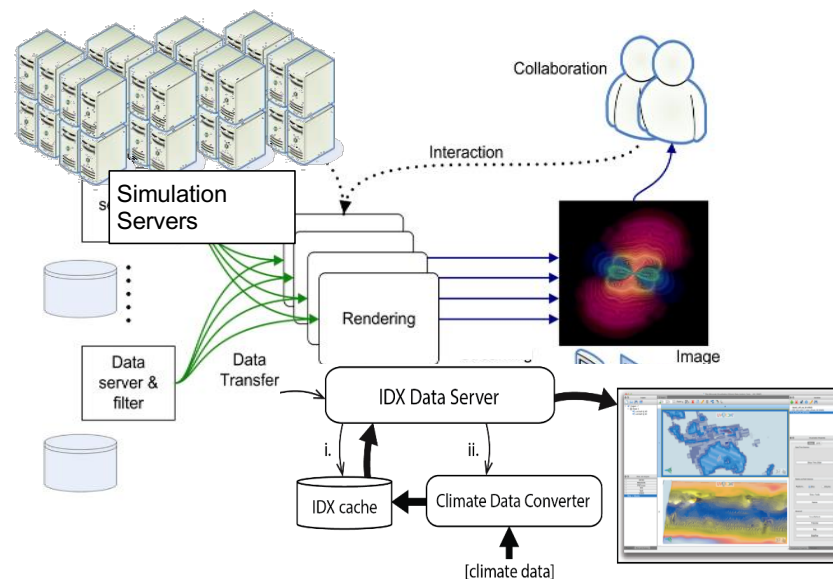
- *Data creation*
  - *Data Management*
- Processing
  - Analysis
  - Visualization



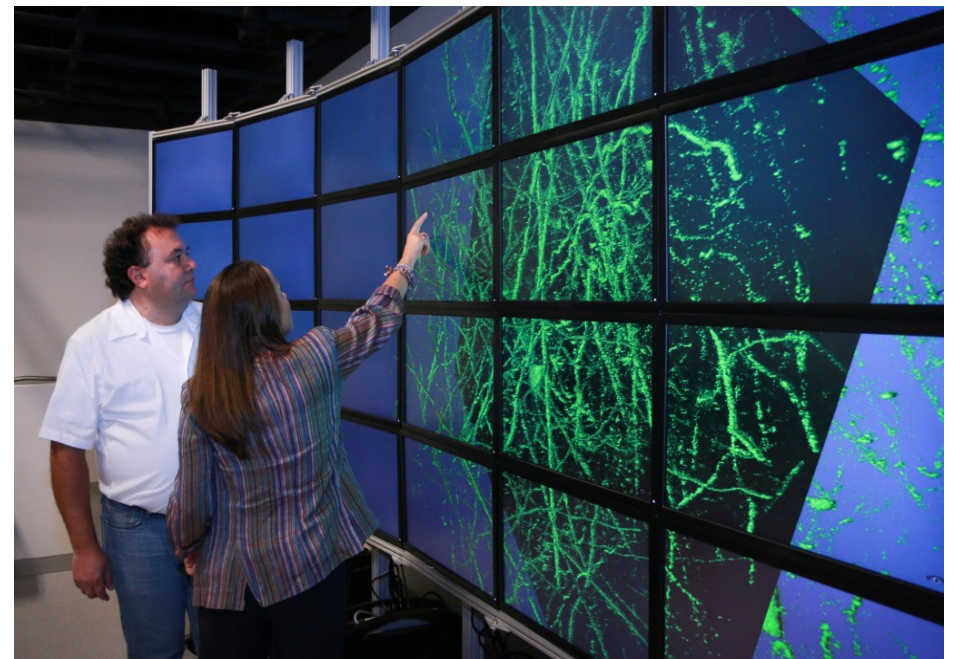
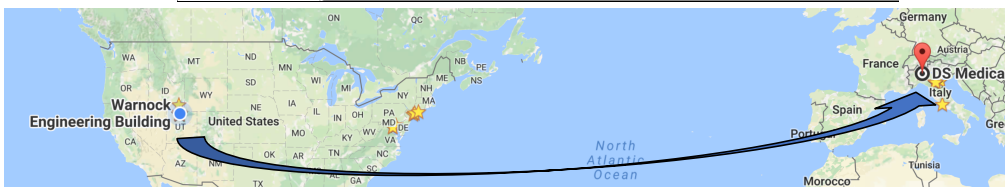
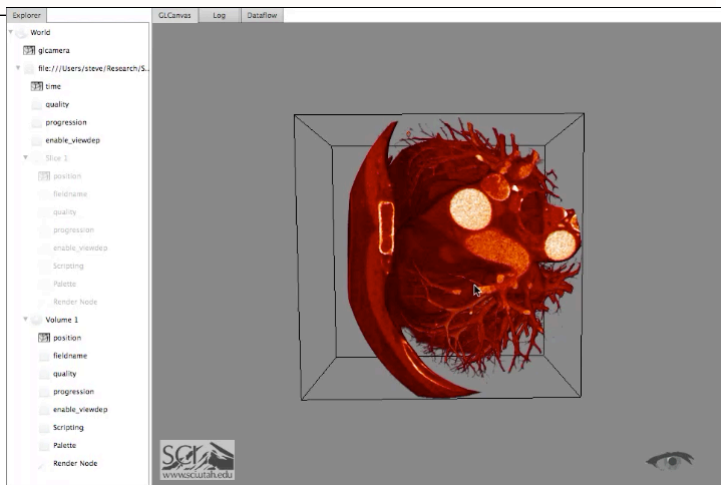
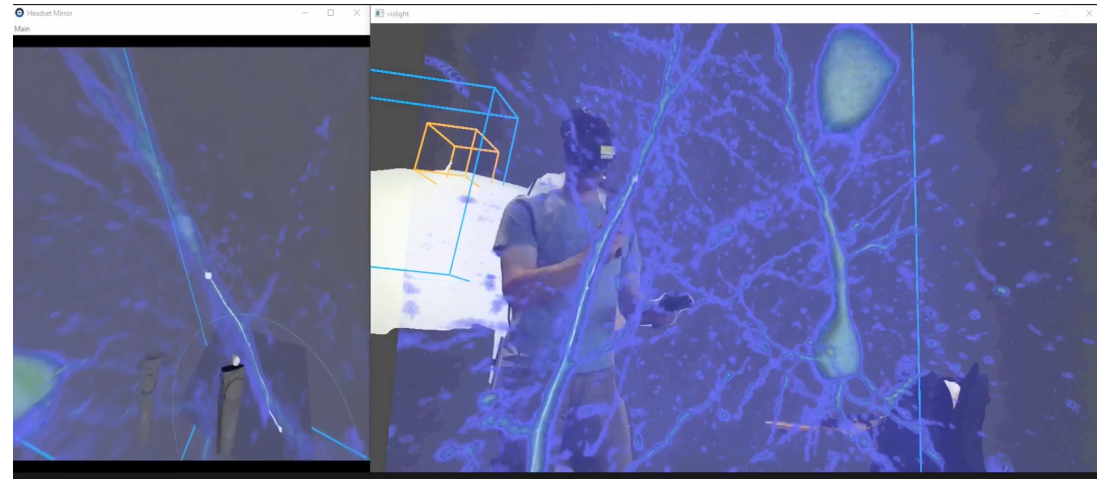
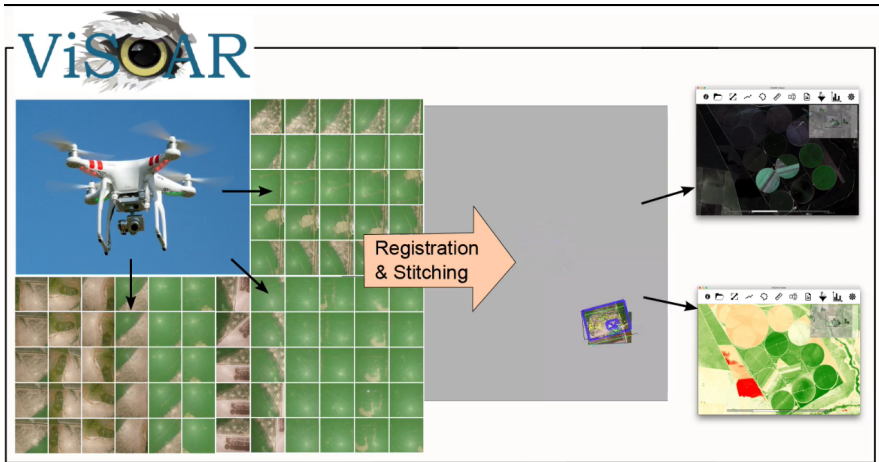
- 7km GEOS-5 “Nature Run”
- 1 dataset, 3.5 PB
- theoretically: openly accessible
- practically: precomputed pics

## Distributed Resources

- 3.5 PB of data store in NASA
- Primary ViSUS server in LLNL
- Secondary ViSUS server in Utah
- Clients connect remotely
- Work without additional HPC resources







# Challenge: Graph Size

How can we deal with graphs too large to sensibly render at once?

Approach: **Path Queries**  
**and Topological Analysis**

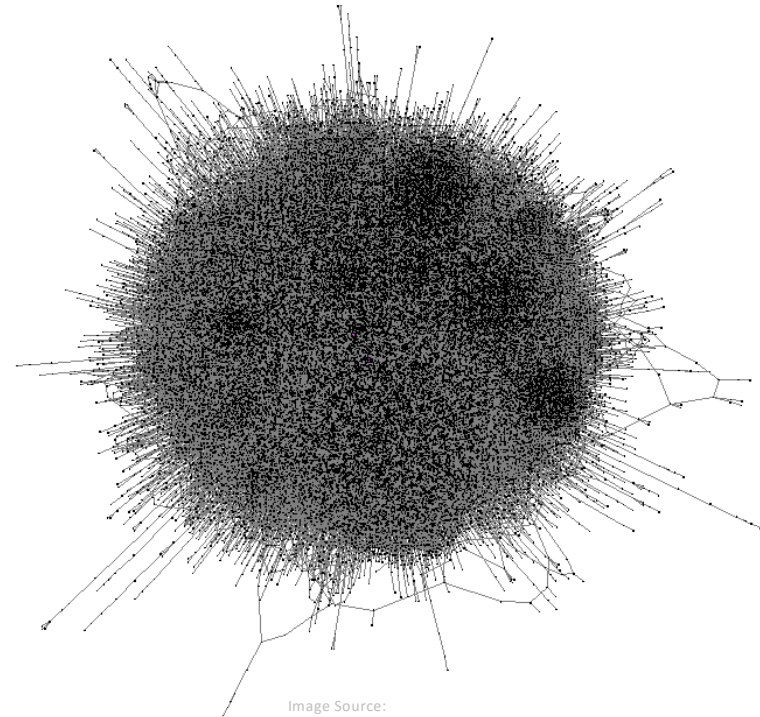
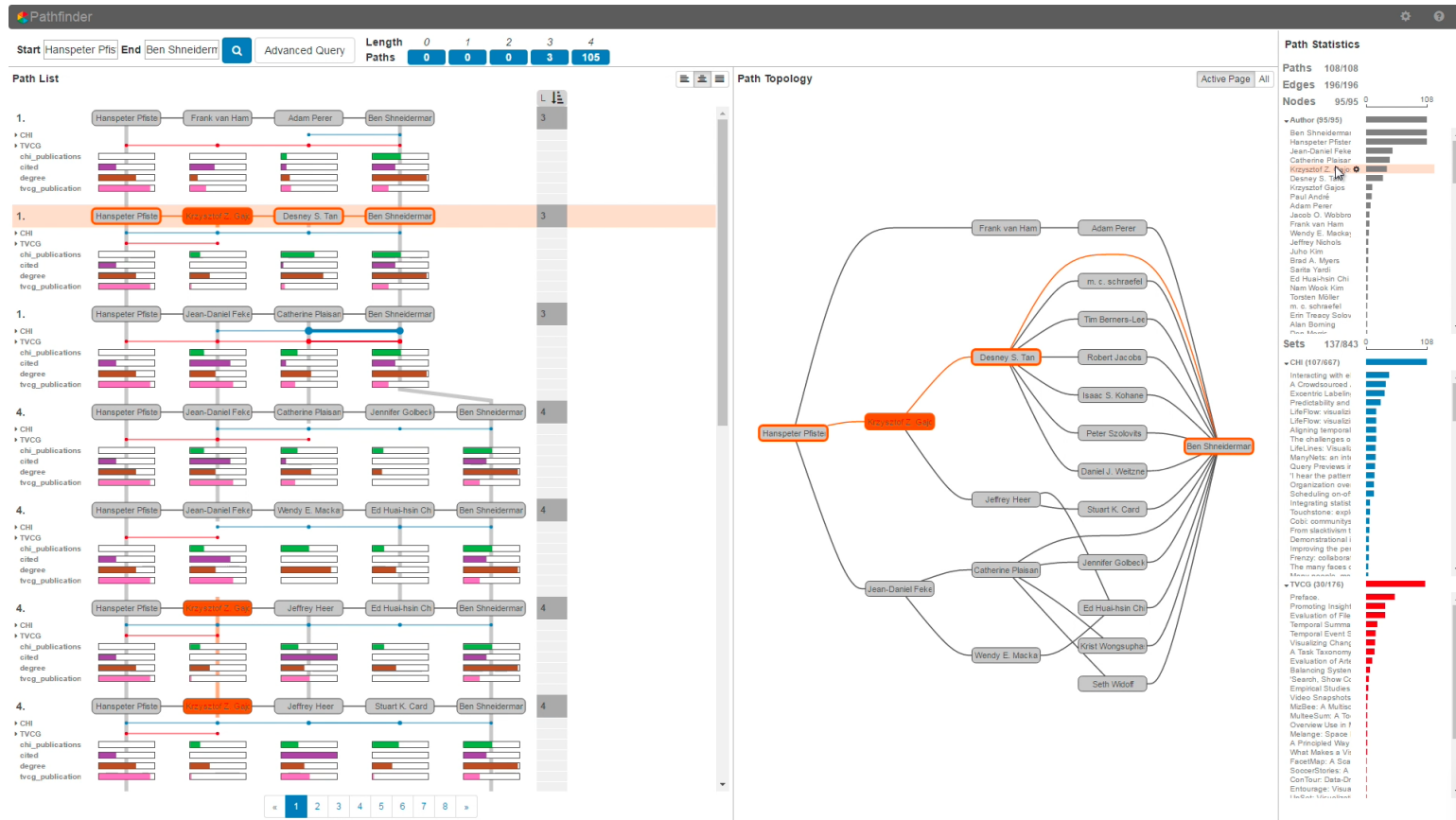


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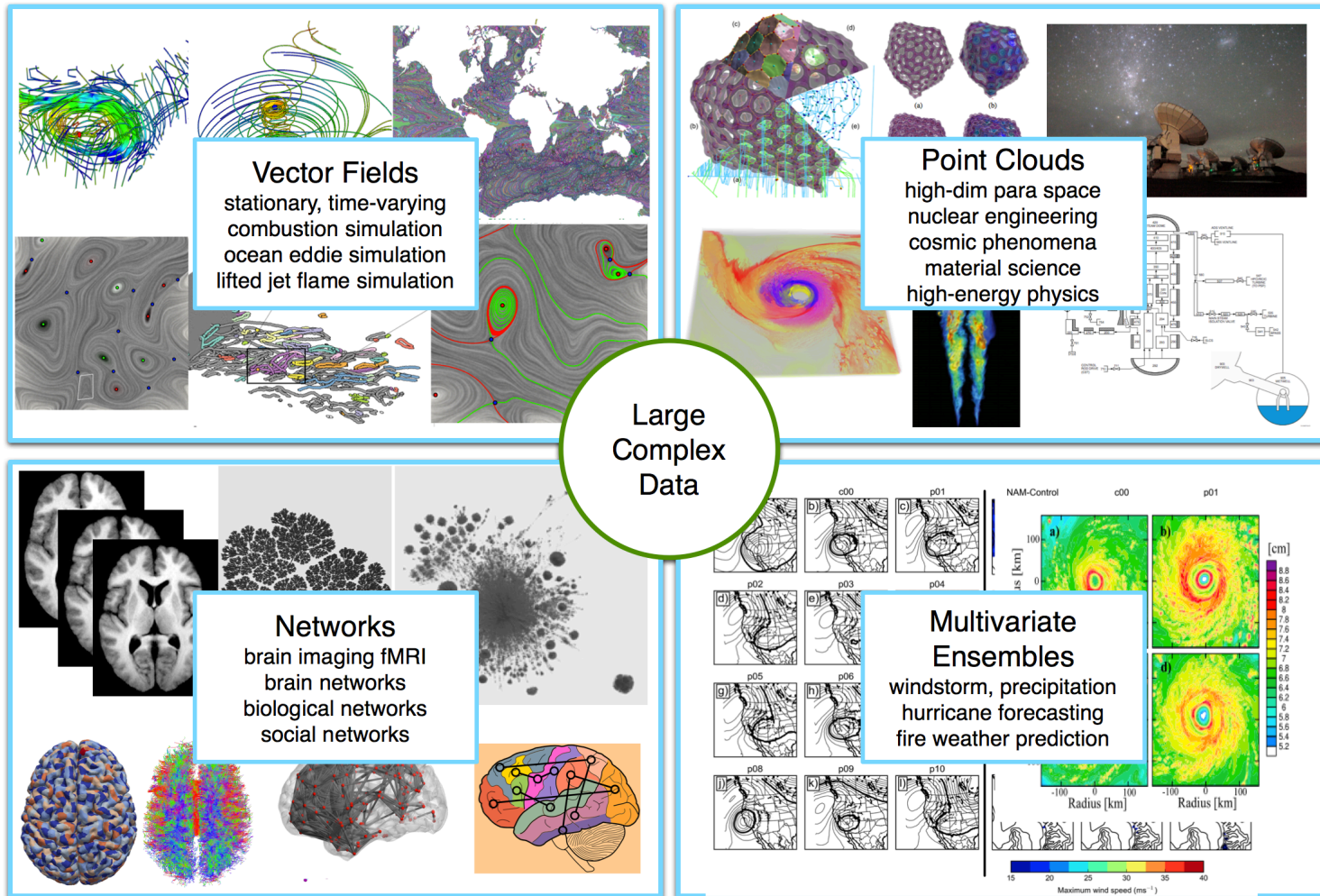
# Pathfinder: Visual Analysis of Paths in Graphs



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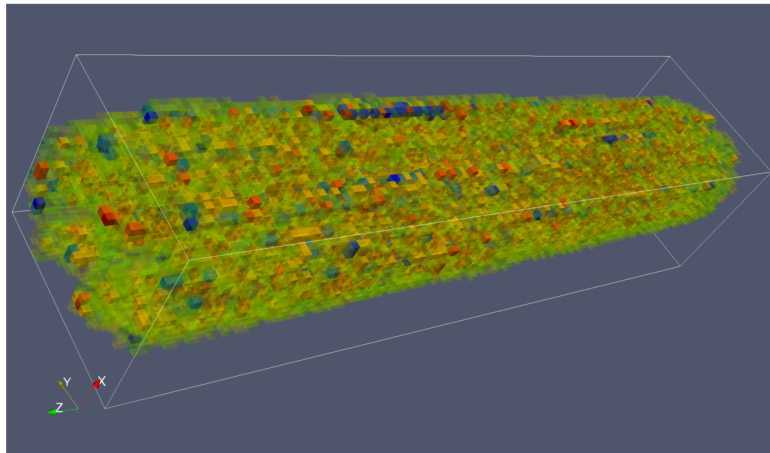
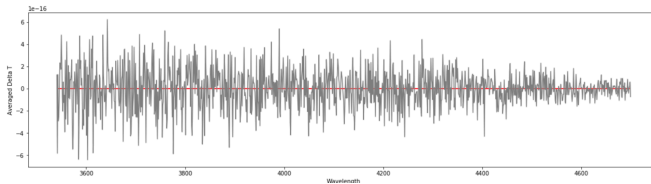


# Topological Data Analysis and Visualization

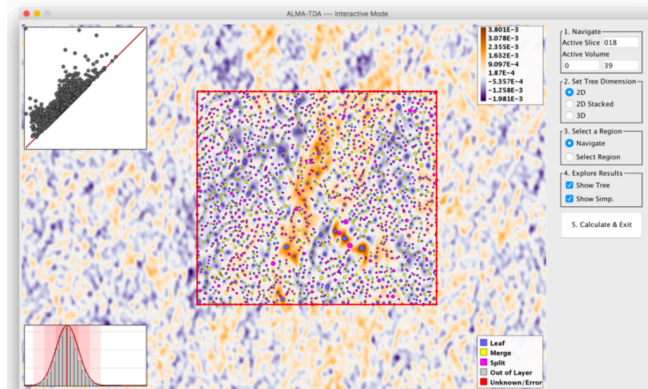
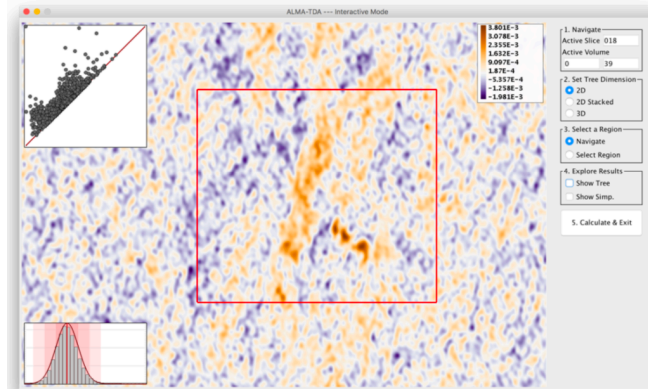
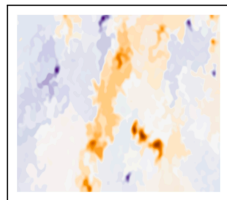
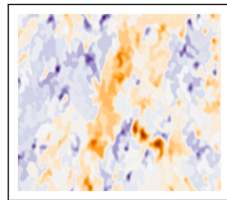
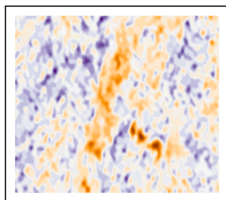




# Topological Data Analysis for Astronomical Data Cubes



Analysis of cosmic voids

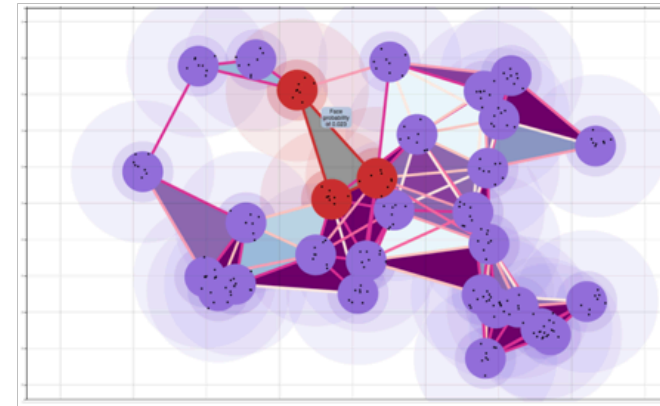
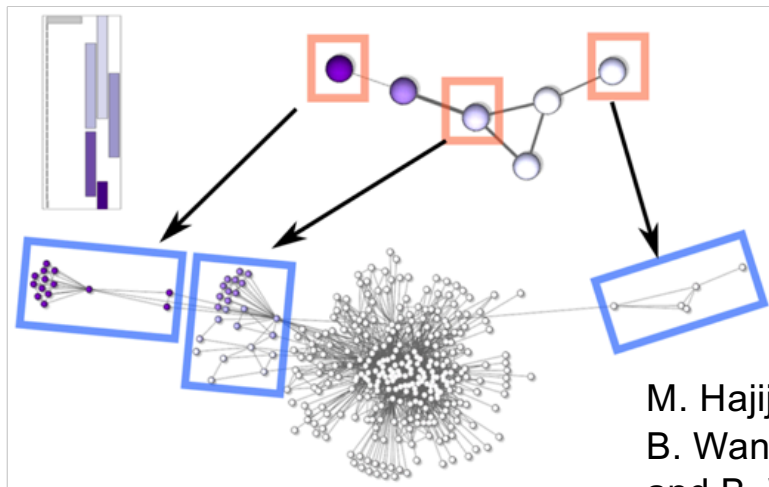
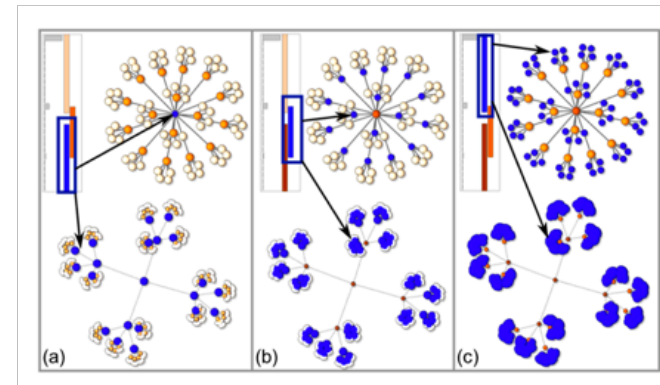
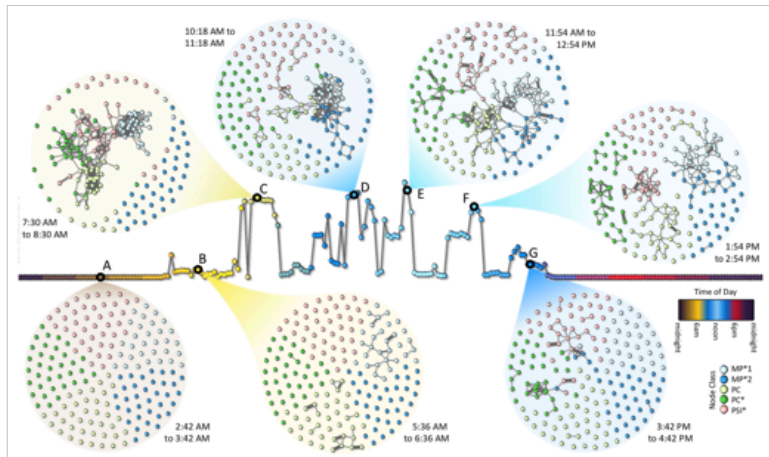


Using Contour Trees in the Analysis and Visualization of Radio Astronomy Data Cubes



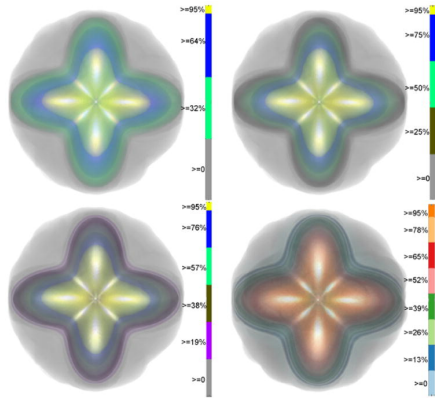
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# Topological Analysis Large Networks

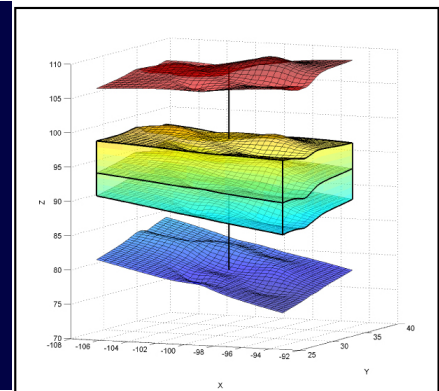
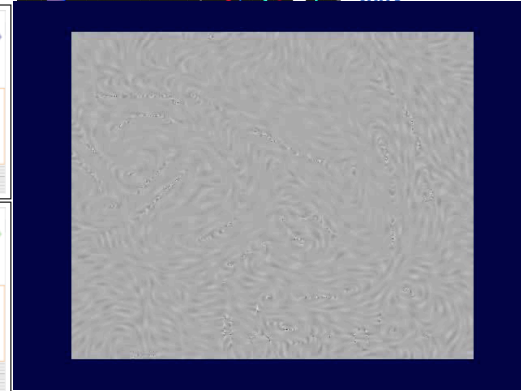
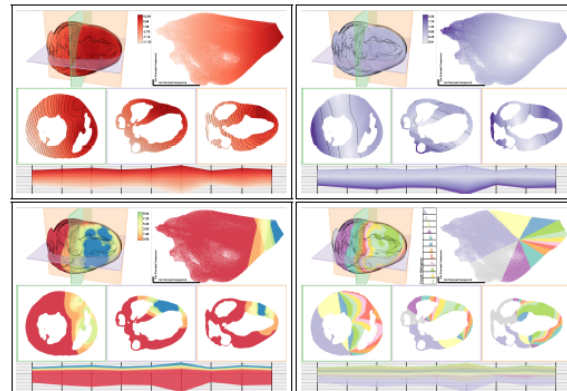
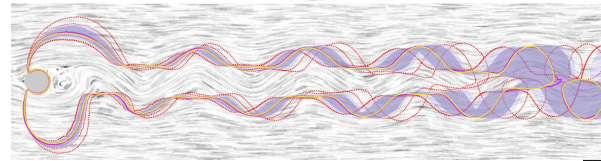
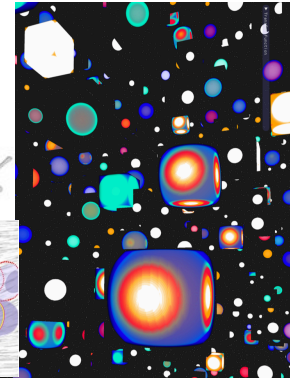
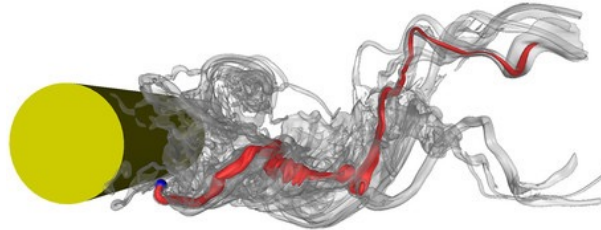


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# Uncertainty Visualization



When is the last time you've seen an error bar on an isosurface?



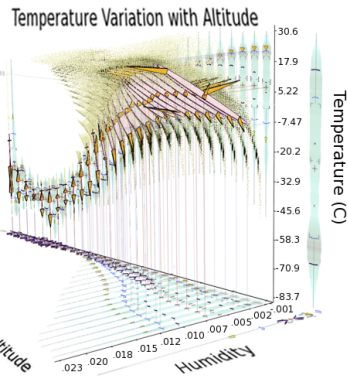
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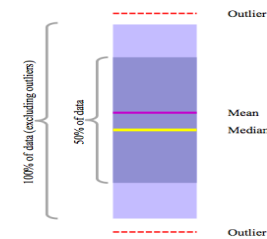
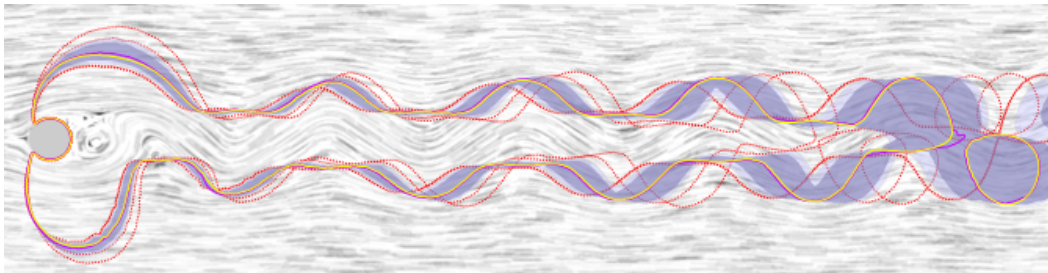
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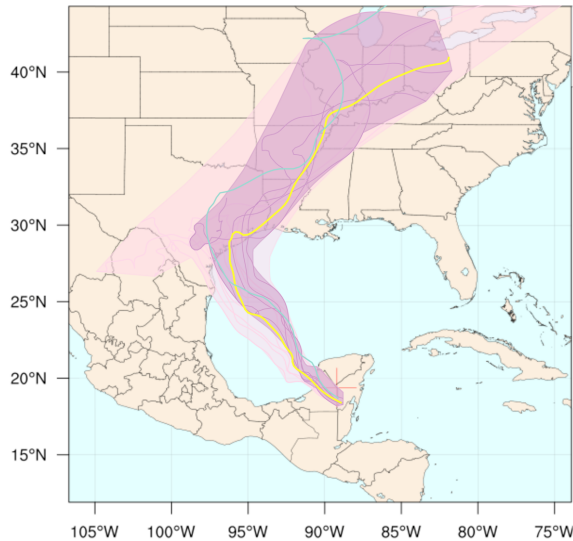
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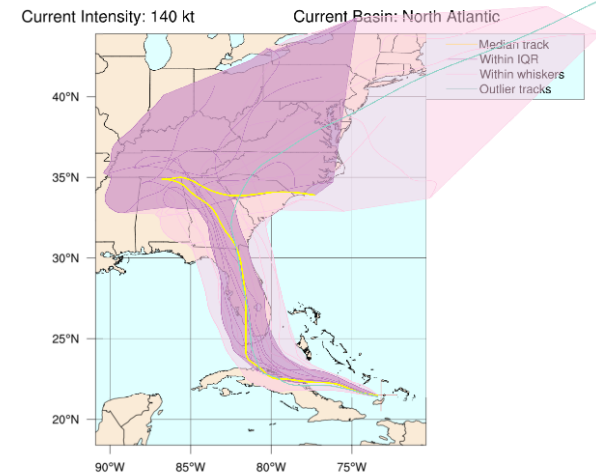
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GFS ensemble curve boxplot initialized at 0600 UTC, 08 September 2017



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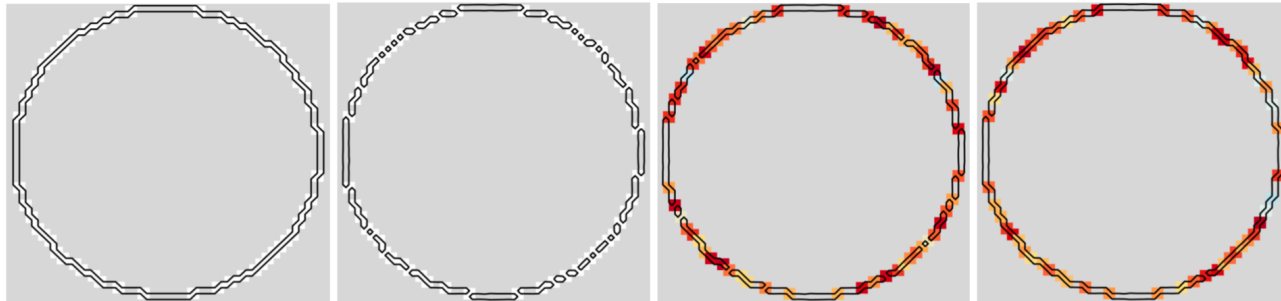


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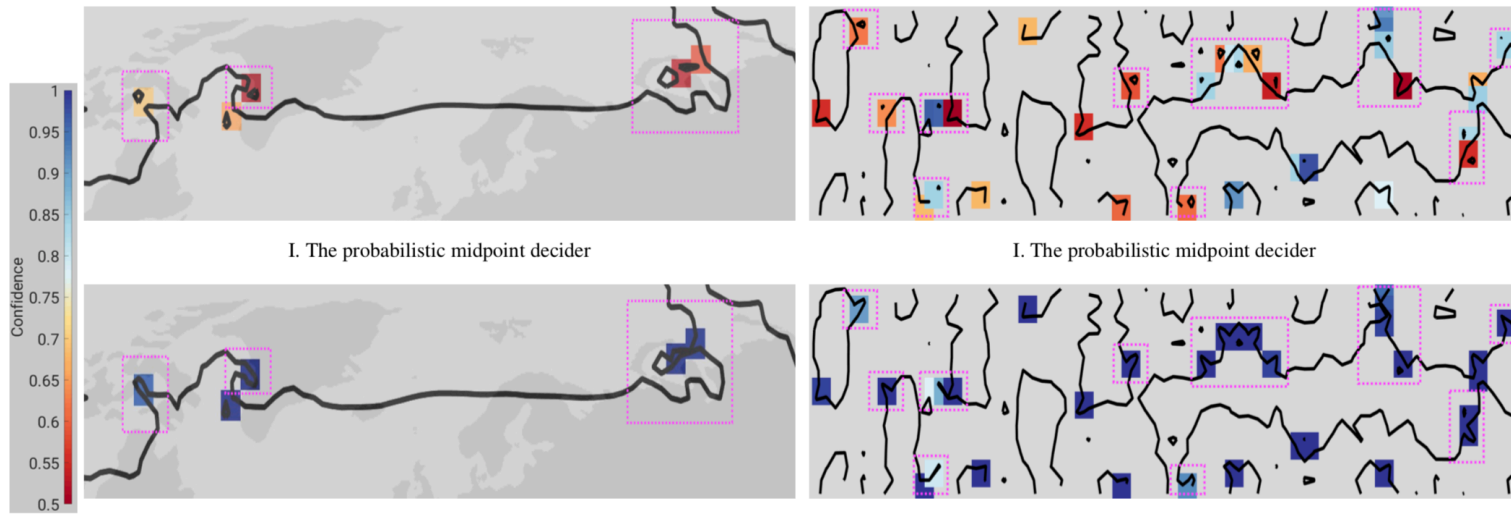


# Probabilistic Asymptotic Decider for Topological Ambiguity Resolution in Level-Set Extraction for Uncertain 2D Data

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(a) The isocontour topology in the (b) The asymptotic decider in the mean (c) The probabilistic midpoint decider (d) The probabilistic asymptotic decider



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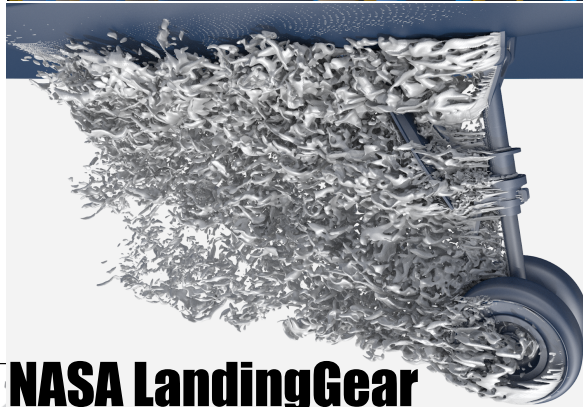
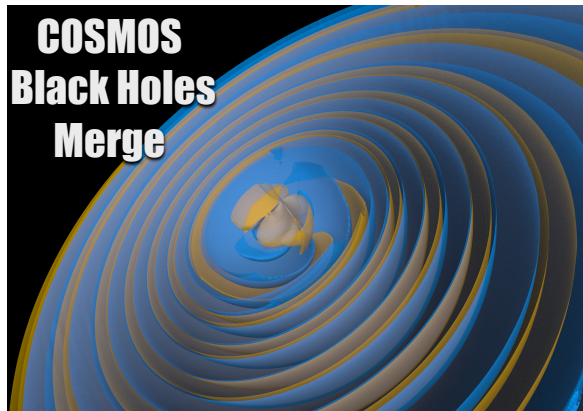
(a) The temperature field

(b) The velocity field for the Kármán vortex street

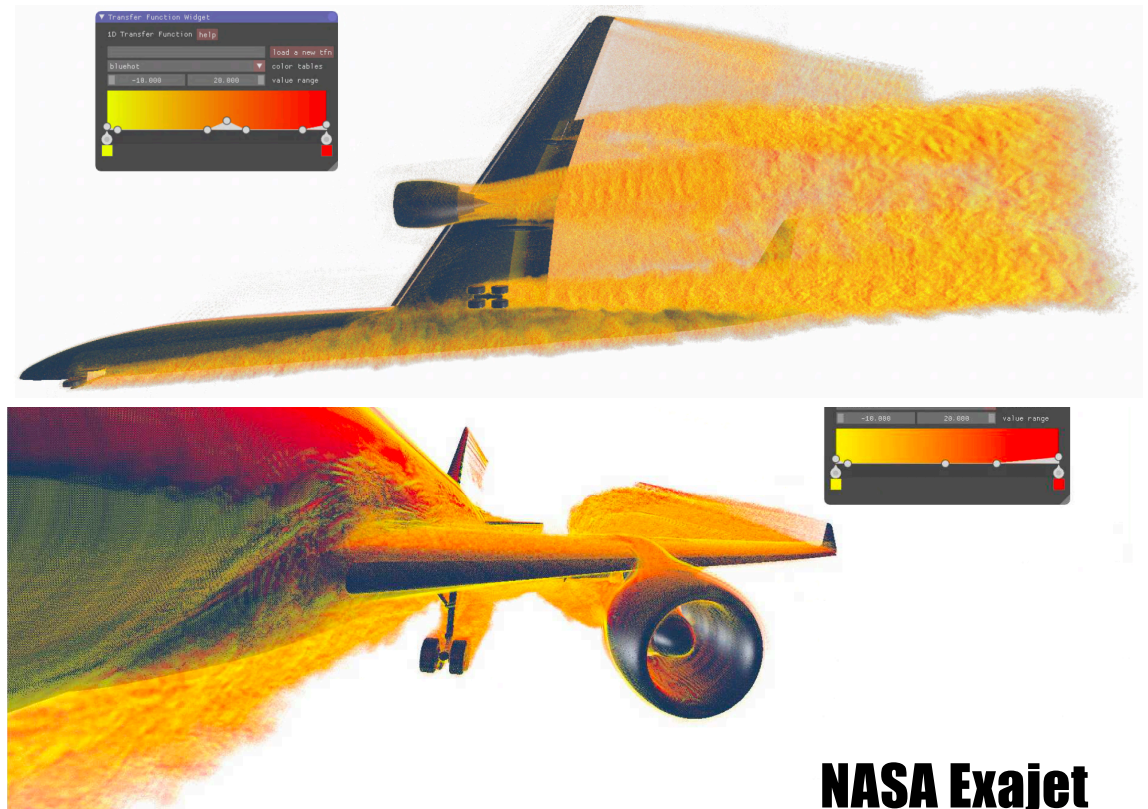


# AMR Data Visualization

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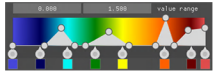


- Tree-based (unstructured) AMR

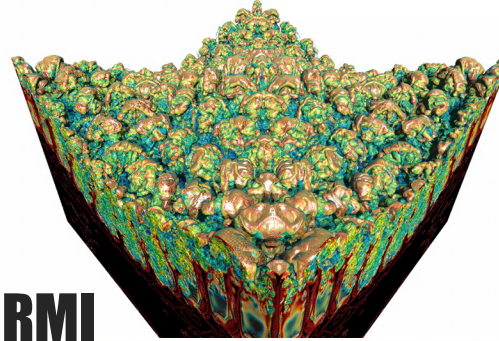
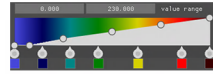




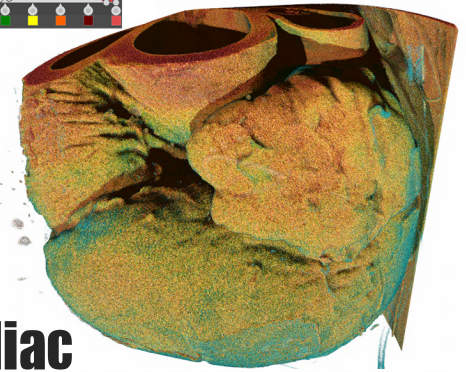
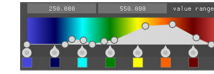
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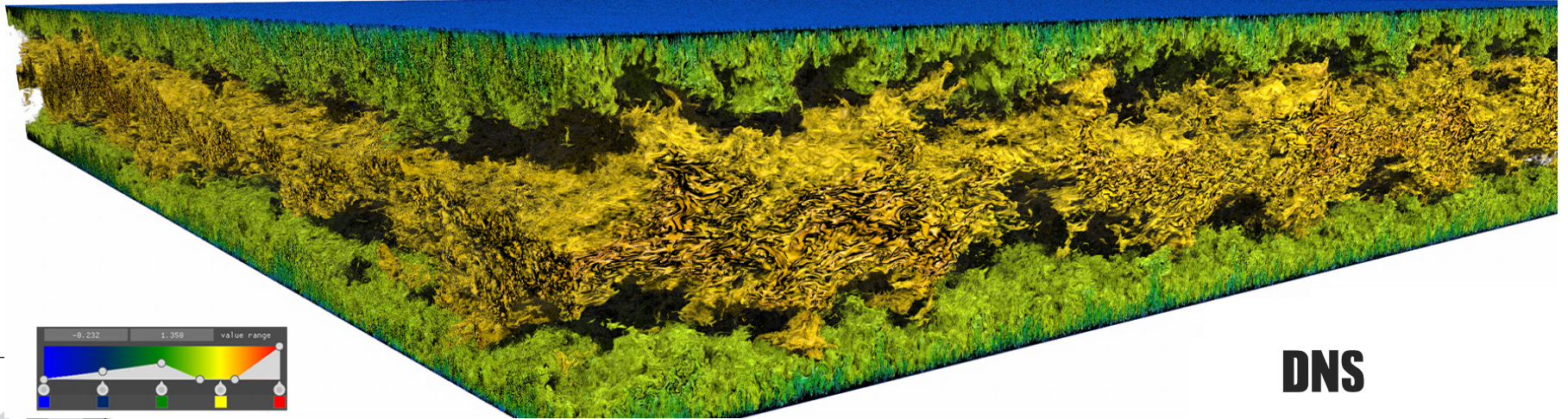
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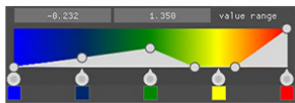
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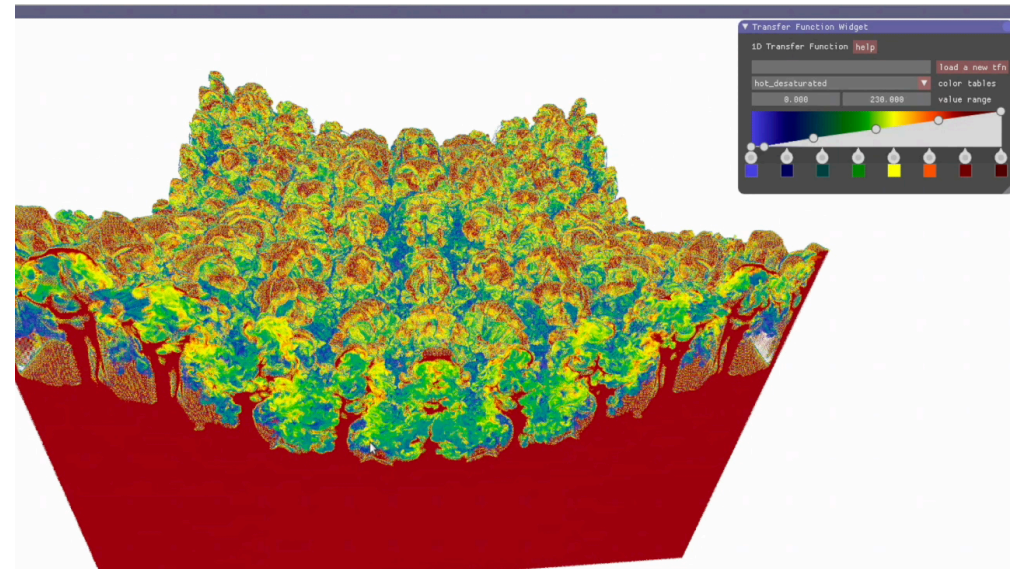
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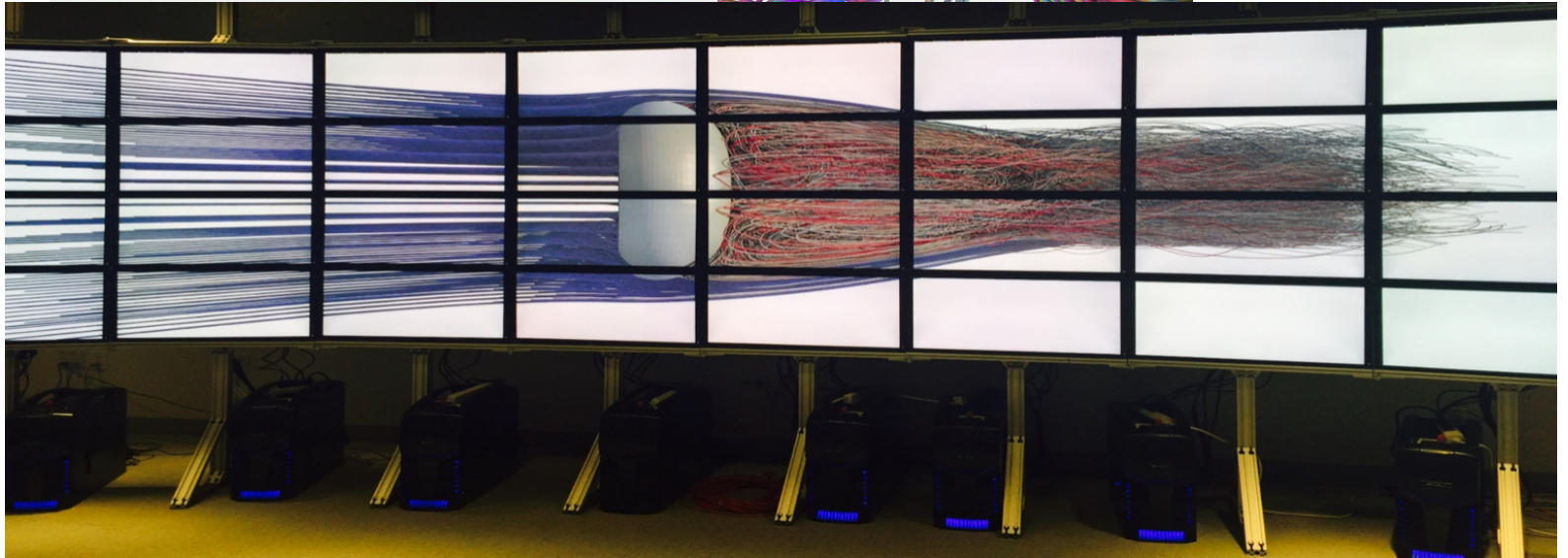
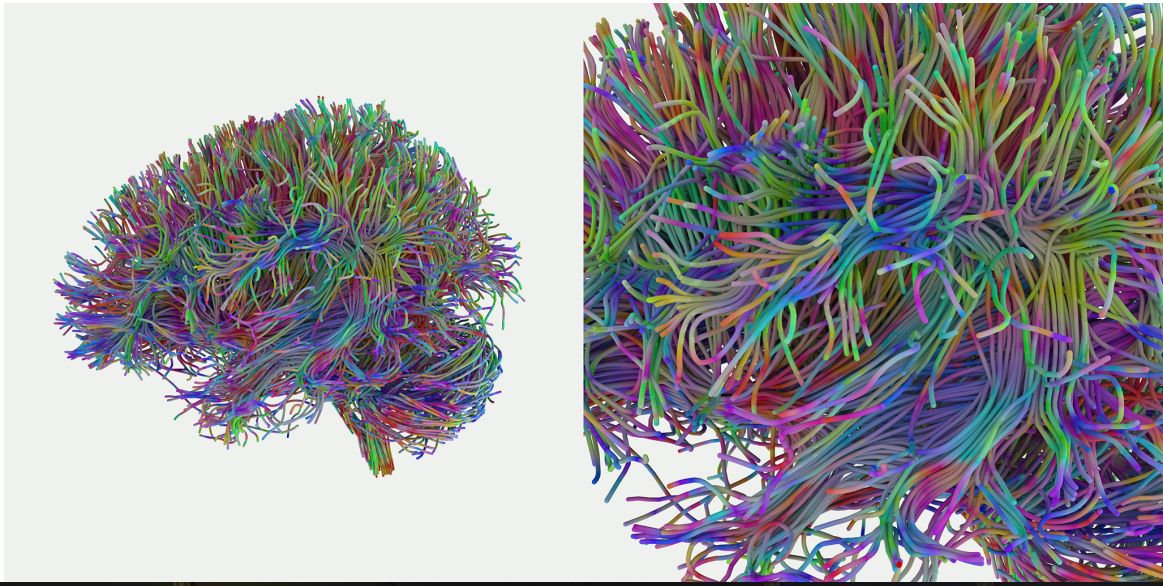
# Ray-guided Progressive Rendering

## Progressive sampling

- Hierarchical representation
- On-demand loading
- Independent data-streaming threads
- Visualize coarse data as a approximate and gradually refine it







# Interactive Streamline Exploration and Manipulation using Deformation

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