# Visual Analysis in the Age of Data



# **Computer Graphics at Utah**











- 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, Healtheon
- Work in Geometry Pipelines

#### 6. Alan Kay

- Personal Computer
- Turing Award Winner
- Object Oriented Languages

#### v 7. Nolan Bushnell

- Invented Pong
- Founded Atari

#### 9. Tom Stockham

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Known for work in Signal Processing

VP Research at Microsoft

Helped to invent the CD Player

#### 10. Jim Blinn

8. Jim Kajvia

Rendering Equation

· Invented Blinn-Phong Shading Model



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Invented Gouraud Shading Model

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#### 12. Bui Tuong Phong

 Invented Phong Reflection and Shading Models

#### 13. Allen Ashton

- Word Perfect
- My CFO Founder



### **SCI Institute Family**

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# **Research Cores**

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# **Centers We Direct**

**NIH/NIGMS** Center for Integrative Biomedical Computing

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# **Brain Information Bandwidth**

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# **FluoRender Capabilities**

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**Multichannel** visualization

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Interactive segmentation

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4D scan visualization

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Tracking

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Auto segmentation on GPU

## FluoRender

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# **Michelangelo's David**

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# Michelangelo's David - Part 2

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# OpenSpace

Platform for: Visualization Research Space & Astro Research Science Communication

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# **OpenSpace Team**

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http://openspaceproject.com

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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

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## Connectome

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# PROBLEM-DRIVEN VISUALIZATION RESEARCH for biological data

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

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

### Workflow

Processing \_ Analysis

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- Data creation
- Data Management ٠
- Visualization

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- 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 \_

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# **Uncertainty Visualization**

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

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### **Alan Turing on Finding Patterns**

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# **Contour Box Plots**

$$S \in \mathrm{sB}(S_1, \ldots S_j) \iff \bigcap_{k=1}^j S_k \subset S \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^j S_k$$

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### **Ensemble Curved Boxplot**

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

Tushar Athawale and Chris R. Johnson

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### Uncertainty Visualization of the Marching Squares and Marching Cubes Topology Cases - VIS 2021

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Figure 5: Uncertainty visualizations for the stag beetle [21] hixel dataset at k = 900. The noise in the data results in breaking of the beetle leg in image (b). In probabilistic marching cubes, it is difficult to distinguish between the regions of high and topological uncertainty, which is easier using our visualizations in images (d-f). The relatively high sensitivity of the beetle leg topology to noise is detected in images (d-f) by the red regions. In image (f), the most probable level-set (gray) is overlaid with the entropy volume level-set (red) for entropy isovalue 5.

### CPU Ray Tracing of Tree-Based Adaptive Mesh Refinement Data

• An efficient high-fidelity visualization solution for both AMR and other multiresolution grid datasets on multicore CPUs, supporting empty space skipping, adaptive sampling and isosurfacing.

• Integration of our method into the OSPRay ray tracing library and open-source release to make it widely available to domain scientists

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### Bricktree for Large-scale Volumetric Data Visualization

- Interactive visualization solution for large-scale volumes in OSPRay
- + Quickly loads progressively higher resolutions of data, reducing user wait times
- Bricktree a low-overhead hierarchical structure allows for encoding a large volume into multi-resolution representation
- Rendered via OSPRay module

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F. Wang, I. Wald, and C.R. Johnson. Interactive Rendering of Large-Scale Volumes on Multi-Core CPUs *IEEE Symposium on Large Data Analysis and Visualization 2019*, pp. 27-36, 2019.

### Display Wall Rendering with OSPRay

- + Software infrastructure that allows parallel renderers (OSPRay) to render to large-tiled display clusters.
- + Decouples the rendering cluster and display cluster
- + Lightweight, inexpensive and easy to deploy options via Intel NUC + remote rendering cluster

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Streamlines computed on flow past a torus

300M triangle isosurface on the Richtmeyer Meshkov

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M. Han, I. Wald, W. Usher, N. Morrical, A. Knoll, V. Pascucci, and C.R. Johnson. A Virtual Frame Buffer Abstraction for Parallel Rendering of Large Tiled Display Walls. *IEEE Visualization 2020*,

### Interactive Streamline Exploration and Manipulation using Deformation

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# **Productivity Machines**

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