SCI Institute History







Scientific Computing and Imaging (SCI) Institute



SCI Institute Mission Statement

Our **vision** is to see applied computing bring transformation across disciplines in a way that benefits the U and through it, society at large.

Our **mission** is to bring together excellence in multiple domains applied to multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary problems of societal importance. We accomplish this through collaborative research in simulation, imaging, visualization, and scientific and data computing that drives the development and distribution of advanced software tools.



The Marriott Library Cooley Collection





http://www.sci.utah.edu/images/Research/SCI_History_Cooley.pdf





Scientific Computing and Imaging (SCI) Institute Timeline

- 1990 Chris Johnson and Rob MacLeod start working together at the CVRTI
- 1992 Chris moves to the Department of Computer Science - 16 faculty at the time
- 1993 Rob joins BE 10 faculty at the time
- 1994 Chris and Rob and 5 graduate students form the SCI Research Group (named by graduate student David Weinstein)
- 1996 Center for Scientific Computing and Imaging formed
 15 people



Scientific Computing and Imaging (SCI) Institute Timeline (cont.)

- 1997 Chuck Hansen joins SCI from Los Alamos
- 1998 DOE Visualization Center (Chuck Hansen and Chris)
- 1999 NIH Center (Rob, Chuck, Chris)
- 2000 SCI Institute formed 32 people
- 2006 SCI Institute growth 100 people (11 faculty)
- 2010 SCI Institute growth 200 (17 faculty)
- 2018 Mike Kirby becomes Interim Director
- 2020 SCI Institute 110 students, 18 faculty (3 open positions)







FluoRender - Chuck Hansen and Yong Wan



Multichannel visualization



Interactive segmentation



4D scan visualization





Tracking







Auto segmentation on GPU

FluoRender





Utah Graphics History



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, Healtheon
- · Work in Geometry Pipelines

6. Alan Kay

- Personal Computer
- Turing Award Winner
- Object Oriented Languages

ry 7. Nolan Bushnell

- Invented Pong
- Founded Atari

10. Jim Blinn

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8. Jim Kajyia

Rendering Equation

9. Tom Stockham

VP Research at Microsoft

· Invented Blinn-Phong Shading Model

Known for work in Signal Processing

Helped to invent the CD Player

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





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SCI Institute - Utah Collaborations





Internal SCI Institute Collaboration





National Research Centers

NIH Center for Bioelectric Field Modeling, Simulation, and Visualization NIH Center for Integrative Biomedical Computing DOE ASCI Center for the Simulation of Accidental Fires and Explosions **DOE Advanced Visualization Center DOE SciDAC Common Component Architecture** NIH National Alliance of Medical Image Computing DOE Center for Exascale Simulation of Combustion in Turbulence **NIH Center for Biomedical Computing** NCI Physical Sciences in Oncology Network **DOE SciDAC Scientific Data Analysis and Visualization DOE SciDAC Visualization and Analysis Center NVIDIA Center of Excellence Utah Center for Computational Earth Sciences** DOE PSAAP II CDC Center for Decision Support for Infectious Disease Epidemiology **KAUST Institute for Applied Mathematics and Computational Science** DOD (ARL) Center for Computationally Designed Efficient Materials



Uncertainty Visualization



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







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Contour Box Plots - Mike Kirby and Ross Whitaker

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Ensemble Curved Boxplot



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Chris Butson









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Han-Wei Shen

- Ph.D. Student, Graduated in 1998
- Researcher at NASA Ames
- Professor of Computer Science at The Ohio State University
- Ruth and Joel Spira Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2014
- CSE Outstanding Teaching Award, 2002, 2009
- NSF CAREER Award, 2004
- DOE Early Career Award, 2003
- Graduated 25 PhD Students







Tolga Tasdizen





- <u>Why</u>? Radiologists spend most of their time generating reports (average 10 min/exam). Machine learning can help.
- Applications of machine learning to medical image analysis has generally been limited to learning from labeled data, i.e. normal vs. disease, for research.
- State-of-the-art deep learning models are data hungry. Radiology: Labeled data is rare. Text reports are plenty.
- <u>Research direction</u>: Automatic image captioning and visual question answering combines vision and language models.
 - NIH recently released 100K chest radiographs with text mined disease labels.
- Utah project
 - Radiology (Joyce Schroeder) + Computer Vision (Tolga Tasdizen) + Natural Language Processing (Vivek Srikumar)
 - Seed support from SCI and the Department of Radiology
 - First project: IRB approved for all chest radiographs taken at the U. of U. hospital and associated text reports over the last 5 years (~300K scans)
 - In process of de-identification (Clement Vachet)
 - Computational infrastructure: NVIDIA DGX (RIF + SCI + SoC funding)



Clinical information 69-year-old female with a history of smoking, asthma and bronchitis now with productive cough intermittently for several months. Findings The visualized thyroid gland is unremarkable. The lungs are hyperinflated.... Impression Tracheomegaly and bilateral bronchiectasis. No adenopathy or effusion. ...



Topological Data Analysis and Visualization - Bei Wang





Valerio Pascucci









Simulations of Clean(er) Coal Boilers - Martin Berzins

- Large scale turbulent combustion needs mm scale grids 10^14 mesh cells 10^15 variables (1000x more than now)
- Structured, high order finite-volume discretization
- Mass, momentum, energy conservation
- LES closure, tabulated chemistry
- PDF mixing models
- DQMOM (many small linear solves)
- Uncertainty quantification







- Low Mach number approx. (pressure Poisson solve up to 10^12 variables. 1M patches 10 B variables
- Radiation via Discrete Ordinates many hypre solves Mira (cpus) or ray tracing Titan (gpus strong and weak scaling via AMR).
- FAST I/O needed PIDX for scalability

SCI Institute Faculty Area

Biomedical and Scientific Computing



Image Analysis





Visualization





Sarang Joshi



Diffeomorphic registration of lung CT images



- Goal: find diffeomorphic (bijective and smooth) transformations that accurately model:
 - Physics (conservation of mass^{1,2})
 - Physiology (local tissue compressibility)
- Rat imaged at 11 time points of breathing cycle using a ventilator
- CBCT reconstruction using FDK



¹Yin, Hoffman and Lin. Mass preserving non-rigid registration of CT lung images using cubic B-spline. Medical Physics 36(9) 2009. ²Gorbunova, Sporring, Lo, Loeve, Tiddens, Nielsen, Dirksen, and de Bruijne, Mass preserving image registration for lung CT, Med. Image Anal., 16(4) 2012.

Jeff Weiss



Applied research at the MRL is focused on helping patients with dysplastic hips. By analyzing subject-specific models of dysplastic and normal hips, we can compare the cartilage stresses in these hips during activities of normal daily living.





Steve Parker

- Ph.D. Student, Graduated in 1999
- SCI Institute and CS Faculty Member (2000-2007)
- SCIRun and Real-Time Ray Tracer Chief Architect
- Co-Founder of Ray Scale
- Director of HPC, NVIDIA (2008-Present)
- VP Professional Graphics, NVIDIA (2014-Present)







University Leadership

- Rob MacLeod Associate Director CVRTI and SCI and CARMA* and Director of UG BE
- Martin Berzins Director, ARL CDE3M*, Director of the SoC*, Director CES Program*
- Mike Kirby Interim Director, SCI Institute, Executive Director of the Utah Informatics Initiative, Director, ARL CDE3M, Director, CES Program*, Chair, Scientific Computing Ph.D. Program*, Director of SoC Graduate Studies*, Associate Director, SoC
- Valerio Pascucci Chair, Graphics and Visualization Computing Degree Program*, Director, CEDMAV
- Ross Whitaker Director, SoC, Associate Director, SoC*
- Sarang Joshi Associate Director of CORI
- Chuck Hansen Associate Director, SCI Institute*, Chair, Graphics and Visualization Computing Degree Program*
- Chris Johnson Director, SCI Institute*, Director, SoC*, Director, CES Program*, Director, ACCESS Program*, Director, Engineering Scholars Program*



* = Previous Position

National and International Leadership

DOE Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee (ASCAC). Board of Directors for the Computing in Cardiology Society Flatiron Institute Advisory Board Several Other National and International Advisory Boards CRA Computing Community Consortium **CRA** Board of Directors CRA Awards Committee (Chair) **NSF HPC Committee** NSF Task Force on Software for Science and Engineering NSF Task Force on Cyber Science and Engineering **CRA Education Committee KAUST Advisory Committee IEEE VGTC** DOE Advanced Scientific Computing Advisory Committee (ASCAC) Subcommittees



IEEE Fernbach and Cray Award Committees

SIAM Computational Science Awards Committee

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DNA Alterations in Personalized Physics-Inspired Genomic Predictors of a Mathematical Frameworks Diagnostics and Prognostics Patient's Outcome (a) Age (Years) EGFR MET FRS2 $\texttt{P-value} = \texttt{1.2} \times \texttt{10}^{-16}$ Hazard Ratio = 2.8 HRAS N=190of Surviving Patien the LGA and GBM Sets P16^{INK4A} 0.75 KDM5A P15^{INK4B} АКТЗ PTEN P14^{ARF} CDK4 MDM2 0.5 Fraction c from th Rb MDM4 p53 >50 N-30 0=233 0 0 13 29 40 80 120 Cell cycle arrest. CCNE1 apoptosis, and (c) GBM Arraylet 2/Age senescence $\texttt{P-value}=\texttt{2.0}\times\texttt{10}^{-\texttt{22}}$ Hazard Ratios = 3.1/1.9 SHH Low/<50 N=113 0=33 Ptch1 High/<50 N=77 0=55 (6) Normal Arraylet 53 SMO in a she in a she was the state of a state of from t 0.25 CSNK1E SUFU High N=280 0=221 GLI1 Gli transcriptional Gli 0 transcriptional 0 1315 20 40 63 80 120 activators **GLI3** Survival Time (Months) 1 b b 20 C. Charanness E Earnal Balatics DBA Conv. Radon Recurring DNA CNAs were observed in astrocytoma tumors' Tenner Arreylet 1 4 • 30 11 12 12 16 18 18 17 18 19 20 1123 genomes for decades, however, copy-number subtypes predictive of patients' outcomes were not identified before, despite the growing number of datasets recording different aspects of the

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disease, and due to a need for frameworks that can simultaneously

find similarities and dissimilarities across the datasets.





Funding Diversity Industry 6% Other 7% Other Industry NSF 10% 0% 8% Other 8% Industry NSF 16% DOD 17% NSF 14% DOE 27% DOE 6% DOE 13% NIH 39% NIH 38% NIH 37%



Tamara Bidone



Molecular Model of Adhesion Proteins ACTIVATION



Micromechanical Model of Adhesions Mechanosensing



Akil Narayan

I am interested in *high dimensional approximation*, *model reduction*, *nonlocal models*, *uncertainty quantification*, *shape analysis*.



High-order methods: design of numerical schemes (stability, accuracy, etc.) Inference/design on PDE quantities: optimization and inferential statistics High-dimensional approximation: constructing functional surrogates Model reduction: efficient compression numerical methods Structure-preserving approximation: positivity, monotonicity Riemannian shape analysis: statistical summaries, cliquing, metrization, ...



Akil Narayan (U. Utah - Math/SCI)
OpenSpace Team





http://openspaceproject.com









Miriah Meyer

- Ph.D. Student, Graduated in 2008
- Research Fellow at Harvard and Broad Institute at MIT
- SCI Institute and SoC Faculty
- Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Utah, 2017
- Outstanding Teaching Award, School of Computing, University of Utah, 2015
- NSF CAREER Award, 2014
- Best Paper Award, ACM AVI Conference, 2014
- PopTech Science Fellow, 2013
- TED Fellow, 2013
- Microsoft Research Faculty Fellowship, 2012
- Fast Company Magazine's 100 Most Creative People in Business, 2012
- MIT Technology Review TR35: The Top 35 Innovators Under 35, 2011
- NSF/CRA Computing Innovation Fellowship, 2009
- AAAS Mass Media Fellowship, 2006







Miriah Meyer





Rob MacLeod



Research Awards and Recognition

- Over 49 Best Paper or Best Panel Awards
- IEEE Technical Achievement Award for Visualization
- 2 IEEE Visualization Career Award
- 5 Fellows: American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineers
- 3 Fellows: Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers
- Fellow: American Association for the Advancement of Science
- Fellow: Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics
- Fellow: American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- Fellow: Department of Energy
- 6 NSF CAREER Awards + 1 NSF NYI and 1 NSF PFF
- 3 Distinguished Alumni Awards
- TR 35 Award
- Microsoft Faculty Fellow
- Charles Babbage Award
- Sidney Fernbach Award
- Rosenblatt Prize
- IBM Faculty Awards
- PopTech Science Fellow
 - TED Fellow
- 2 HPC Wire People to Watch



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Rank institutions in the world

♦ by publications from 2010 ♦ to 2020 ♦

All Areas [off | on]

AI [off I on]

- Artificial intelligence
 Computer vision
 Machine learning & data mining
 Natural language processing
- The Web & information retrieval

Systems [off | on]

Computer networks	
Computer security	
Databases	
Design automation	
Embedded & real-time systems	
High-performance computing	
Mobile computing	
Measurement & perf. analysis	
Operating systems	

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2	City University of London	14.2
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4	Georgia Institute of Technology	11.7
5	University of Stuttgart	11.5
6	► TU Wien 👩	10.3
7	University of California - Davis <a>[0]	10.2
8	Stony Brook University <a>[b]	9.8
9	Graz University of Technology <a>[6]	9.7
10	▶ TU Eindhoven 👩	9.6
11	New York University <a>[6]	9.3
12	University of Magdeburg <a>[6]	9.2
13	Zhejiang University <a>[6]	8.5
14	Harvard University <a>[6]	8.0

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Katharine Coles - Distinguished Professor of English, Former Utah Poet Laureate, Guggenheim Fellow





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Productivity Machines







SCI Institute Faculty Reading







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How Did I Get Here?

- 1985 Assistant Professor of Physics Westminster College
- 1989 CVRTI Research Assistant Professor of Medicine
- 1992 Assistant Professor of Computer Science
- 1992 Co-Director, Computational Engineering and Science Program
- 1993 Director, University ACCESS Program
- 1994 SCI Research Group Formed
- 1994 Associate Chair of Computer Science
- 1996 Director, Center for Scientific Computing and Imaging
- 1998 Co-Director, DOE Center
- 1999 Director, NIH Center
- 1999 Director, Engineering Scholars Program
- 2000 Director, SCI Institute
- 2003 Director, School of Computing
- 2003 Distinguished Professor of Computer Science

