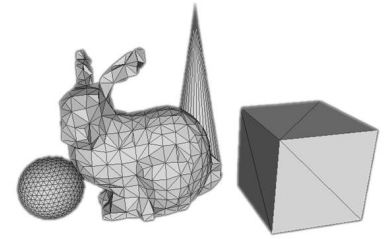


# Introduction to Computer Graphics

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## Introduction

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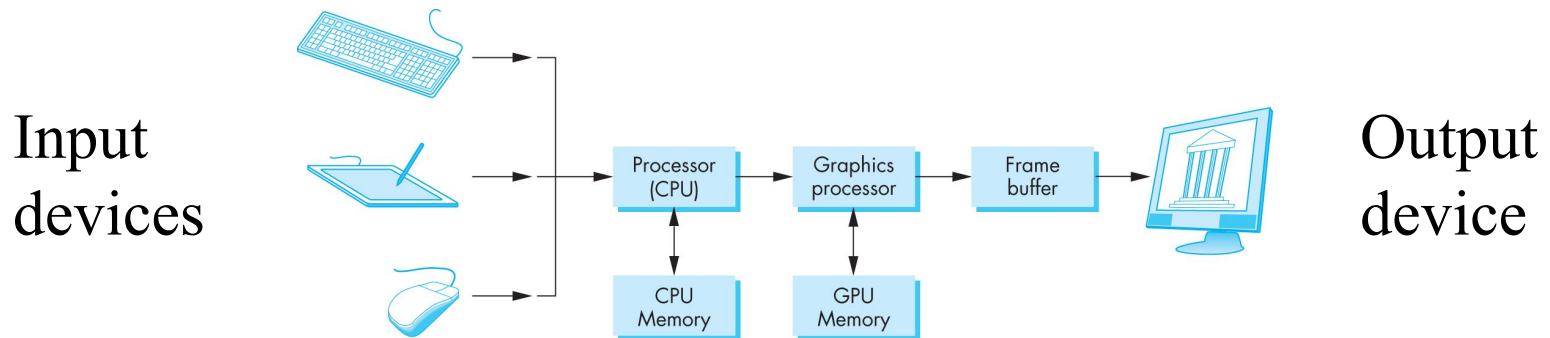
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# Computer Graphics

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- *Computer graphics* deals with all aspects of creating images with a computer (研究利用计算机生成图像的方法)
  - Hardware 硬件
  - Software 软件
  - Applications 相关应用



# Example

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- How to create this image?



- What hardware/software did we need to produce it?

# Preliminary Answer

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- **Software:** Maya for modeling and rendering but Maya is built on top of OpenGL
- **Hardware:** PC with graphics card for modeling and rendering

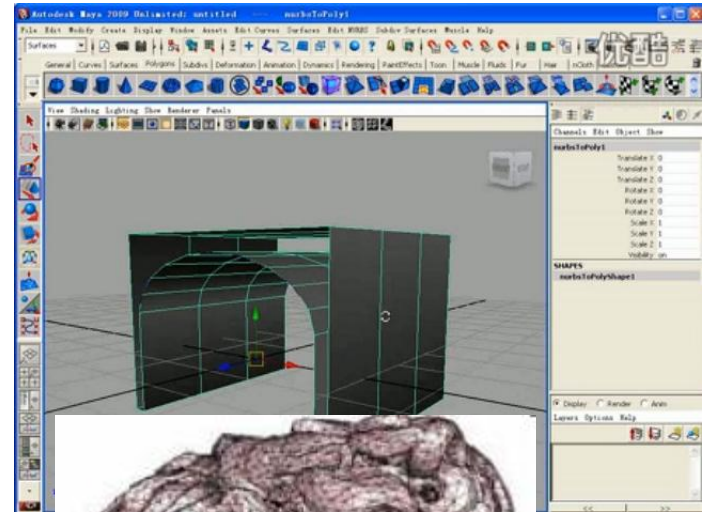
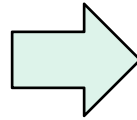
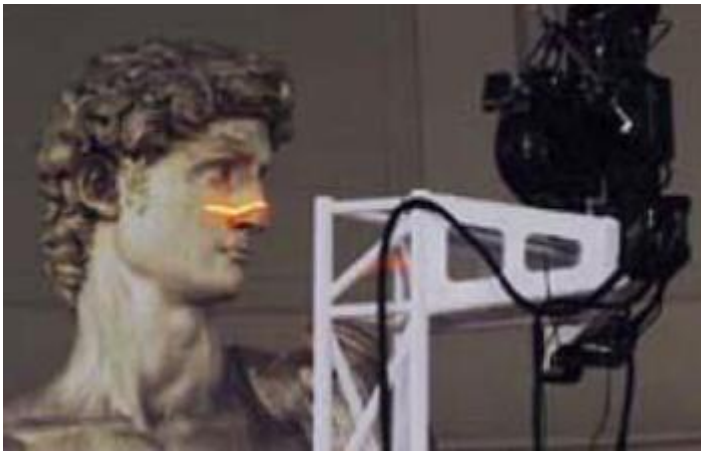
# Main Research Contents (主要研究内容)

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- Modeling (建模)
  - Create the 3D Objects (draw what)
- Rendering (绘制、渲染)
  - How to draw a image
- Animation (动画)
  - How to generate the moving/deforming objects
  - How to draw the object's motion

# Modeling (建模)

- Create the 3D geometry
  - Generate
  - Reconstruct





# Rendering (绘制)

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- Creating the image
  - As realistic as possible
  - As cartoonlike as possible
  - ...



# Animation (动画)

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- Generating the image of moving objects
  - How to generate the moving/deforming objects
  - How to draw the object's motion
  - Obey the physics rules



顽皮跳跳灯(Luxo Jr), Pixar, 1986

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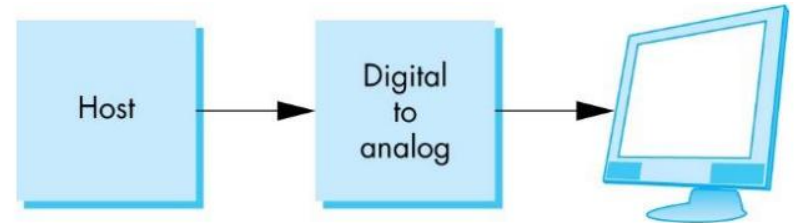
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# Computer Graphics: 1950-1960

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- Computer graphics goes back to the earliest days of computing

- Strip charts 条形图
- Pen plotters 笔式绘图仪



- Simple displays using A/D converters to go from computer to calligraphic CRT

画线CRT显示器（矢量CRT显示器）

- Cost of refresh for CRT too high
  - slow, expensive, unreliable

# Pen plotters 笔式绘图仪

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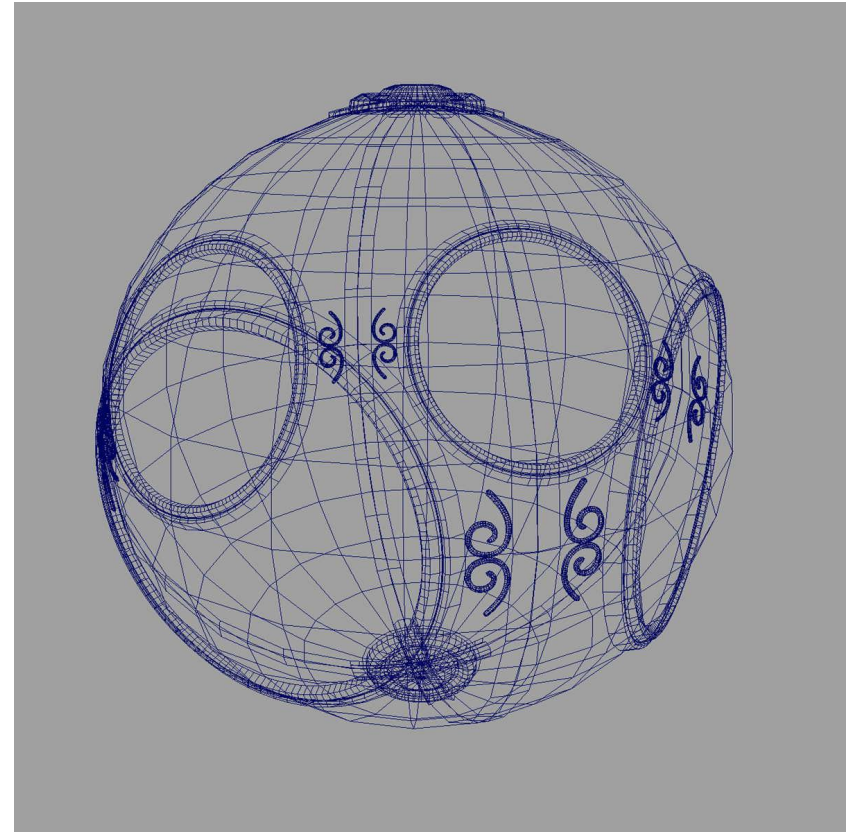


# Computer Graphics: 1960-1970

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- *Wireframe* graphics
  - Draw only lines
- Sketchpad
- Display Processors

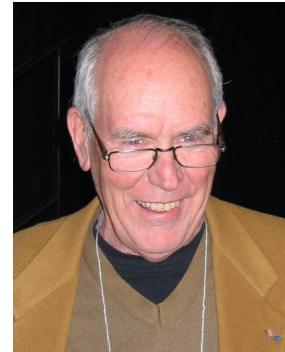
wireframe representation  
of sun object



# Sketchpad

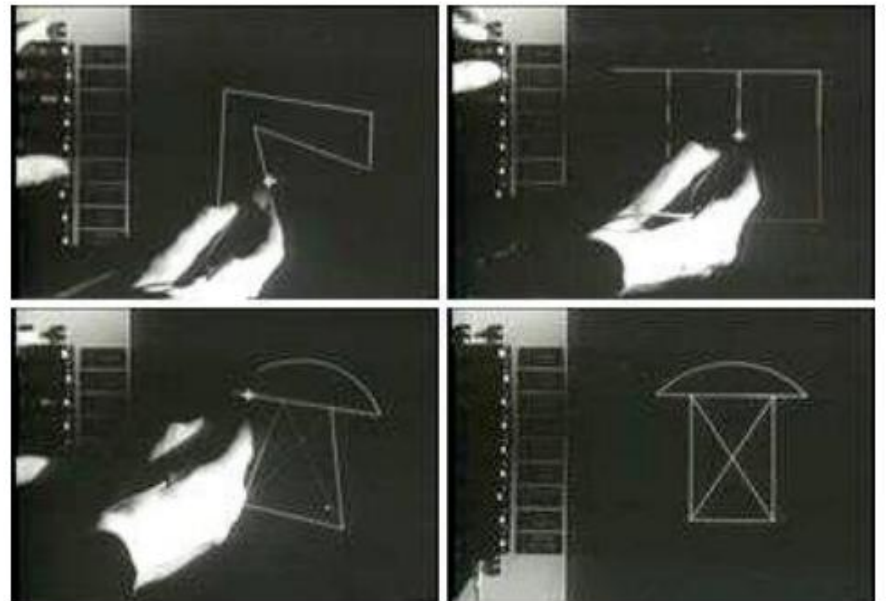
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- *Ivan Sutherland's* PhD thesis at MIT
  - Recognized the potential of man-machine interaction
  - Loop
    - Display something
    - User moves light pen
    - Computer generates new display
  - Sutherland also created many of the now common algorithms for computer graphics



# Sketchpad

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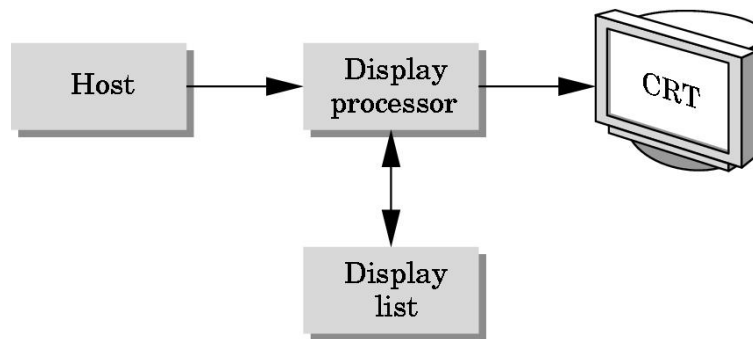




# Display Processor

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- Rather than have the host computer try to refresh display use a special purpose computer called a *display processor* (DPU)



- Graphics stored in display list (display file) on display processor
- Host *compiles* display list and sends to DPU

# Computer Graphics: 1970-1980

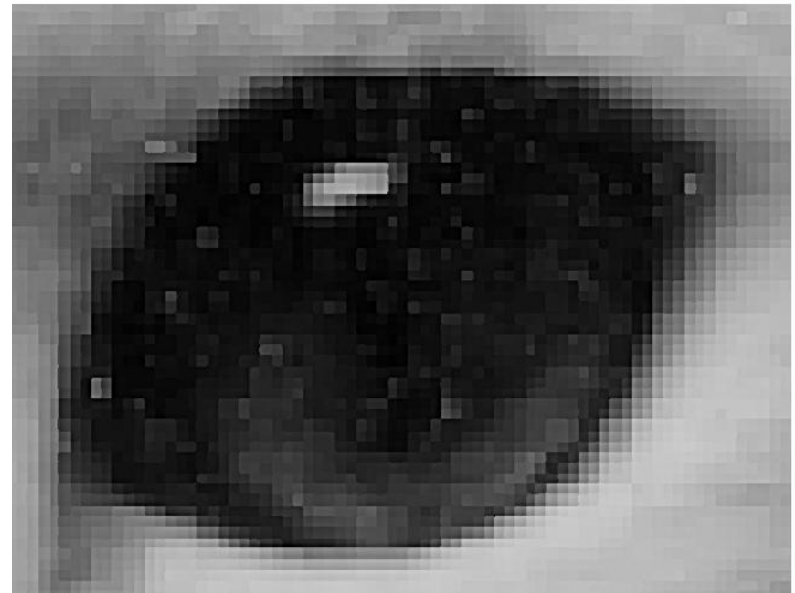
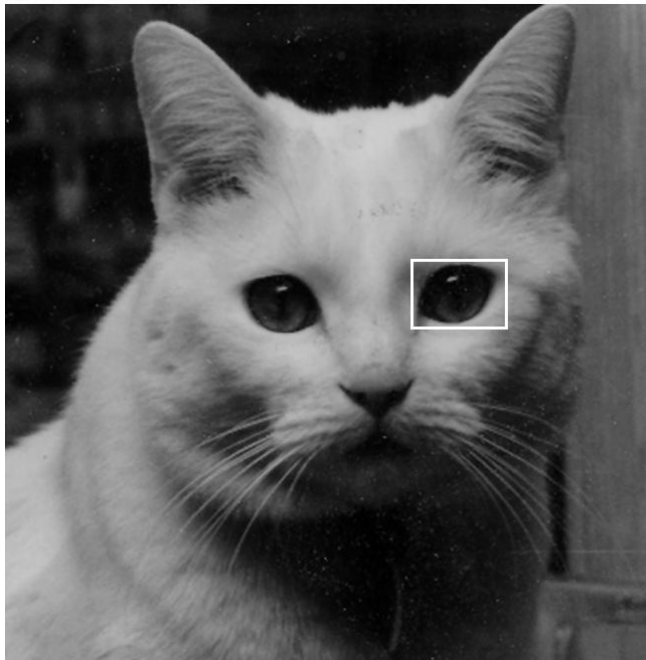
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- Raster Graphics 光栅图形学
  - Compare with vectorised graphics
- Beginning of graphics standards
  - GKS: European effort
    - Becomes ISO 2D standard
  - Core: North American effort
    - 3D but fails to become ISO standard
- Workstations and PCs

# Raster Graphics

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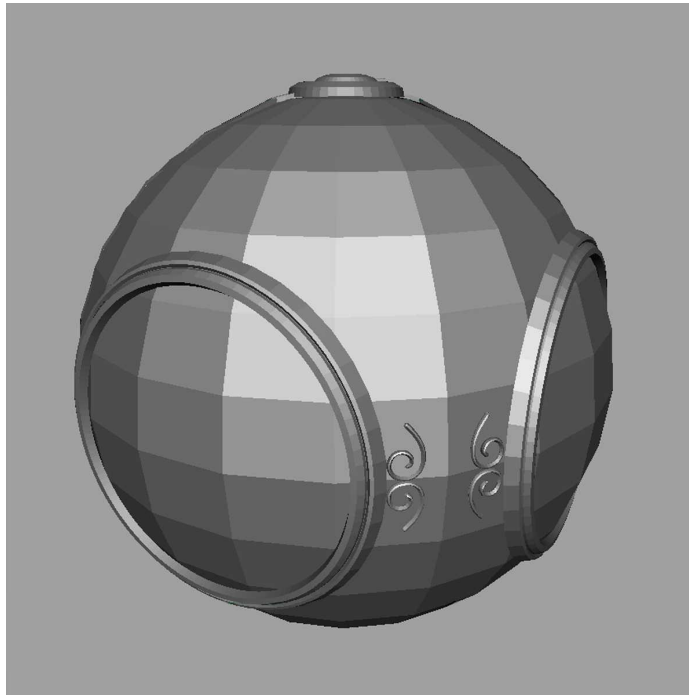
- Image produced as an array (the *raster*) of picture elements (*pixels*) in the *frame buffer*



# Raster Graphics

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- Allows us to go from lines and wire frame images to filled polygons



# PCs and Workstations

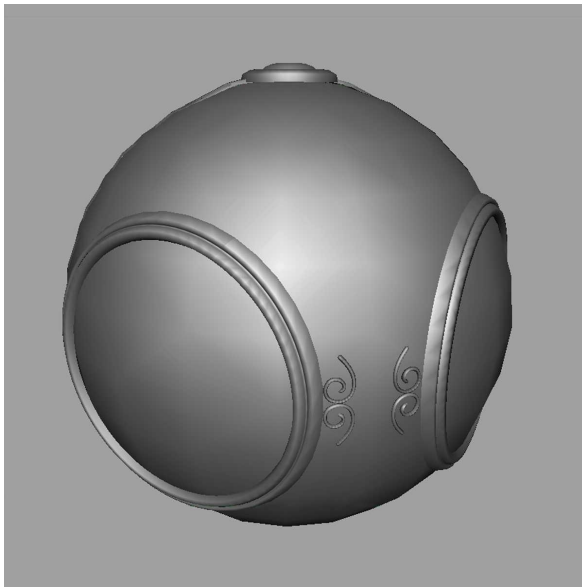
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- Although we no longer make the distinction between workstations and PCs, historically they evolved from different roots
  - Early workstations characterized by
    - Networked connection: client-server model
    - High-level of interactivity
  - Early PCs included frame buffer as part of user memory
    - Easy to change contents and create images

# Computer Graphics: 1980-1990

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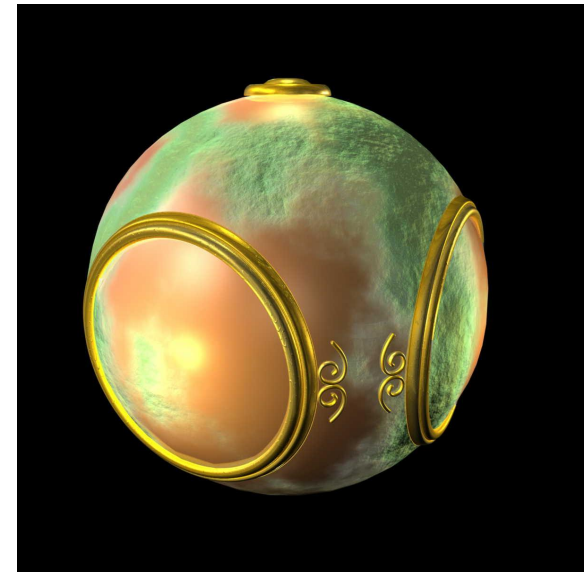
Realism comes to computer graphics



smooth shading



environment  
mapping



bump mapping

# Computer Graphics: 1980-1990

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- Special purpose hardware
  - Silicon Graphics (Silicon Graphics, Inc. SGI) geometry engine
    - VLSI implementation of graphics pipeline
- Industry-based standards
  - RenderMan (皮克斯公司)
- Human-Computer Interface (HCI)

# 2020 Turing Award Winners

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Catmull 和 Hanrahan



# Computer Graphics: 1990-2000

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- OpenGL API
- Completely computer-generated full-length movies (Toy Story) are successful
- New hardware capabilities
  - Texture mapping
  - Blending
  - Accumulation, stencil buffers

# Computer Graphics: 2000-

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- Photorealism
- Graphics cards for PCs dominate market
  - Nvidia, ATI
- Game boxes and game players determine direction of market
- Computer graphics routine in movie industry:  
Maya, Lightwave
- Programmable pipelines
- GPGPU

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# Applications

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- Visualization of Information (信息可视化)
- Design (设计)
- Simulation and Animation (模拟与动画)
- User Interface (用户界面)

# Digital Earth and Digital Urban (数字地球与数字城市)

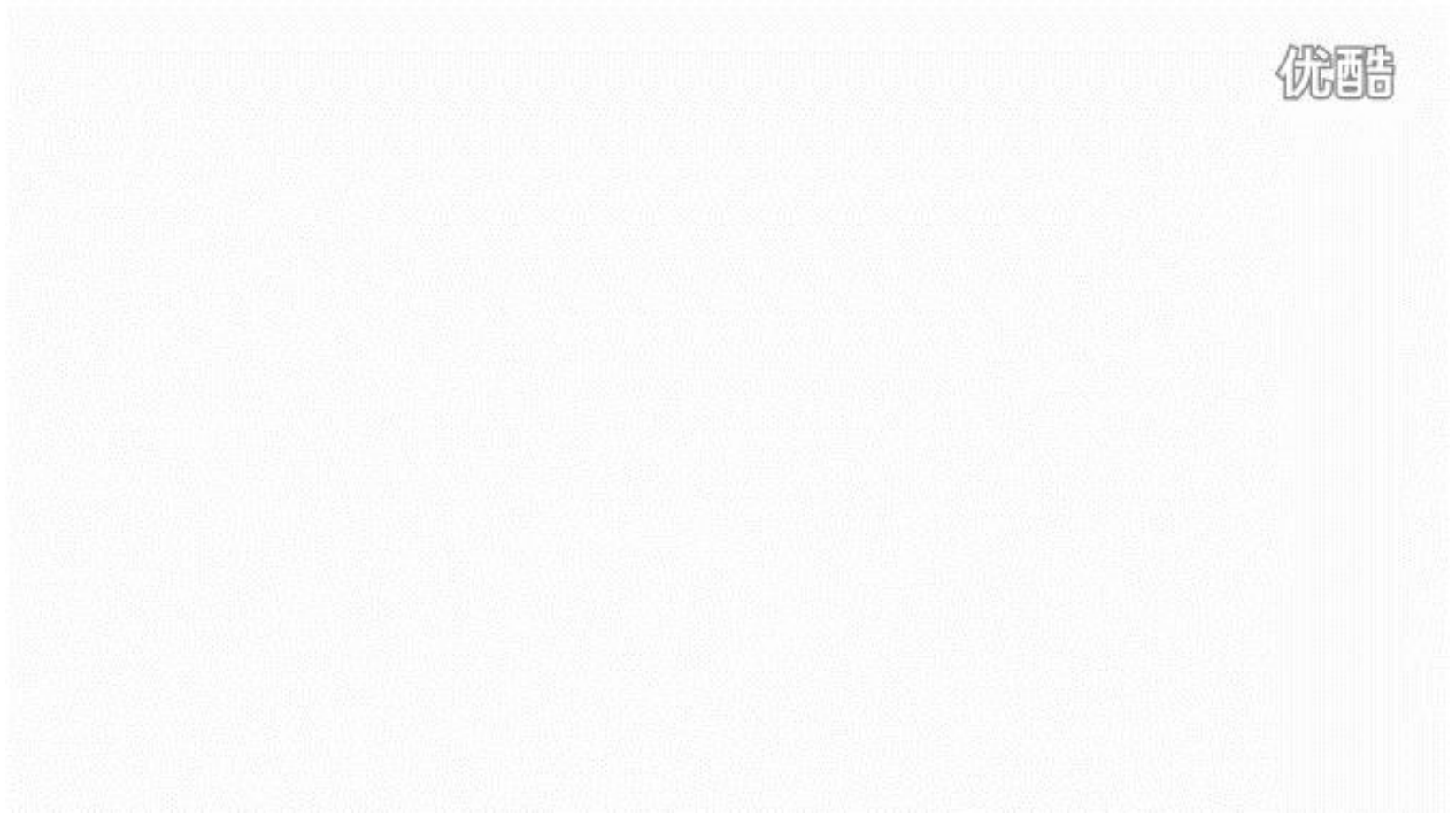
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- Google earth
- Bing maps (previously Microsoft Virtual Earth)



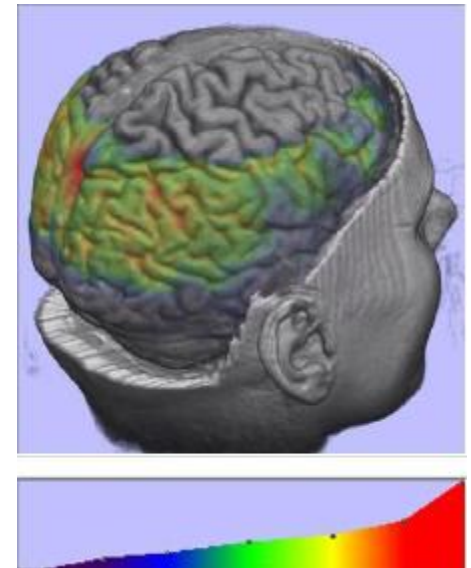
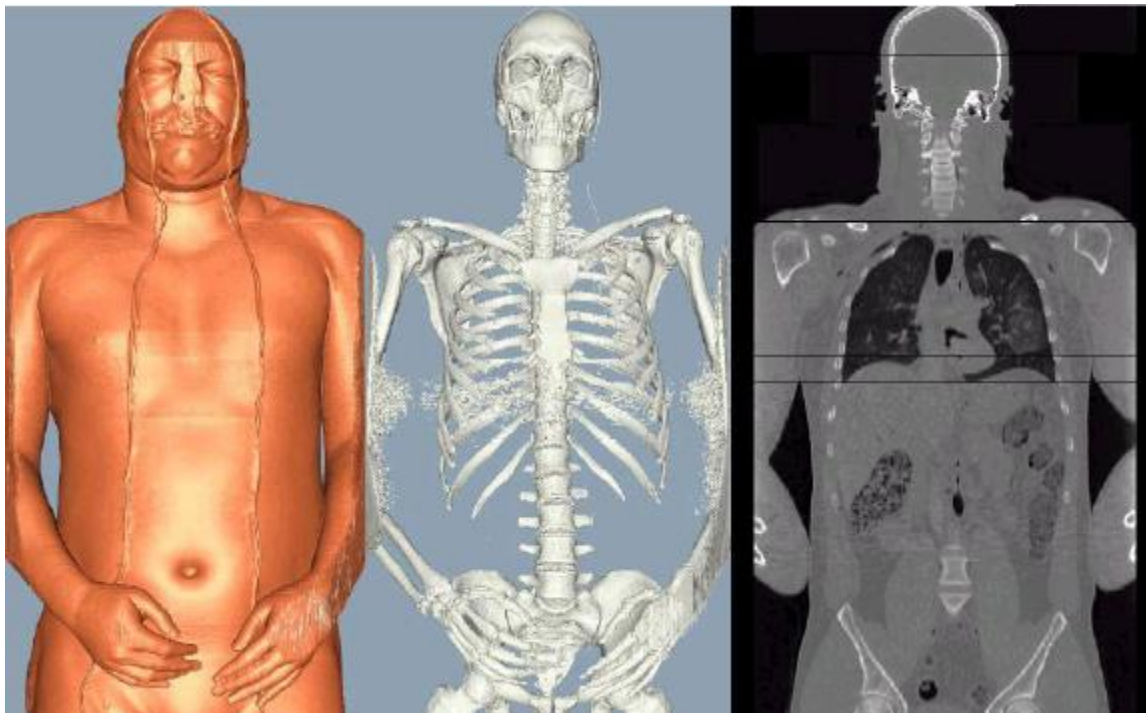
# Google Earth: 3D Urban

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# Medical Image (医疗图像)

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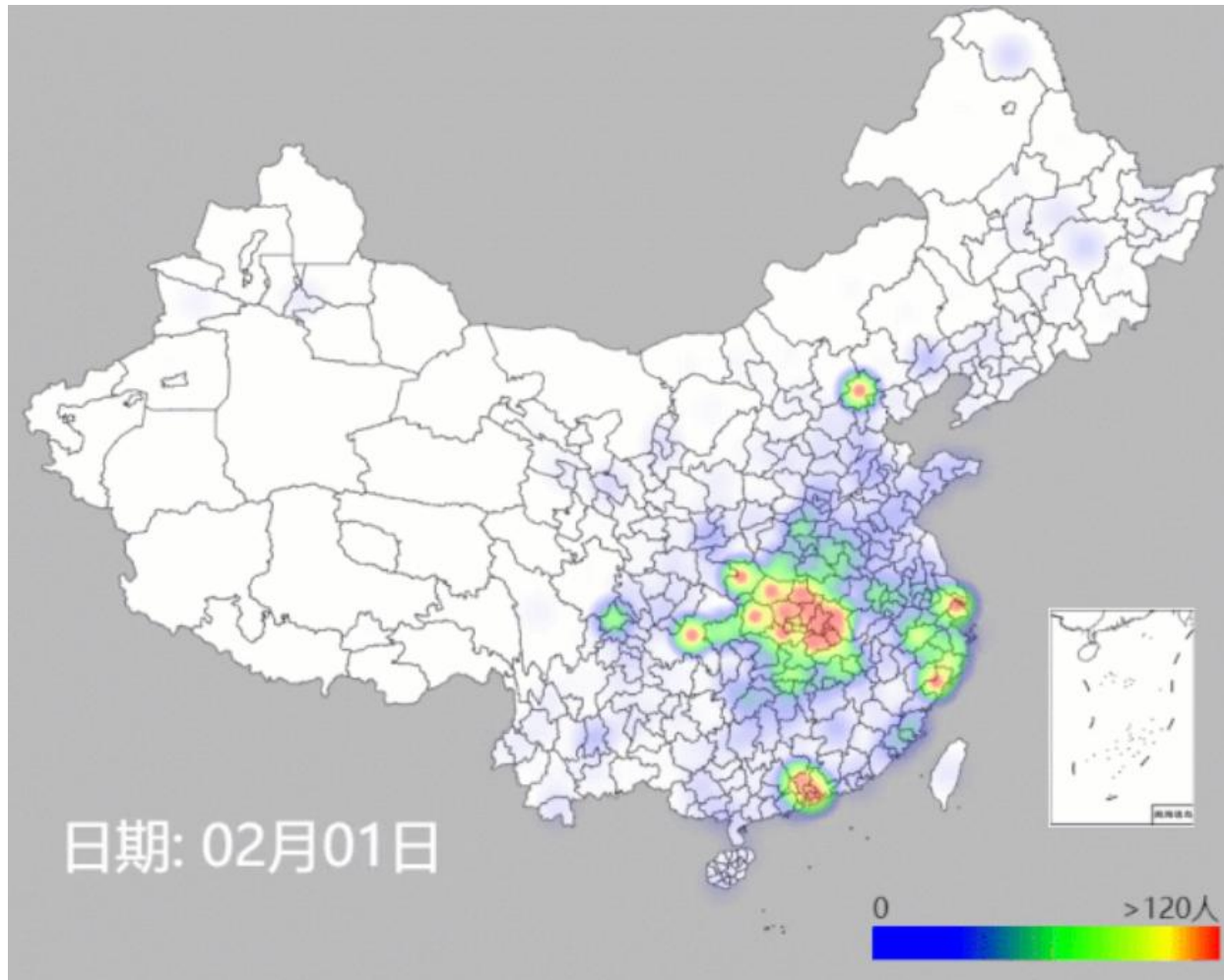


# Visualization of Big Data





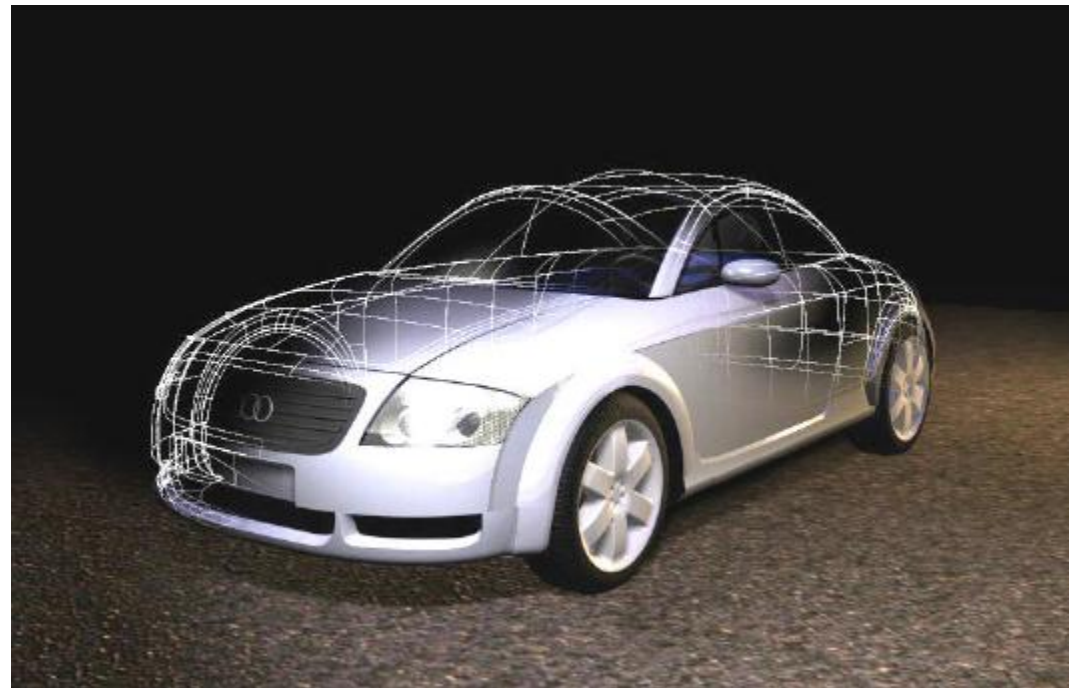
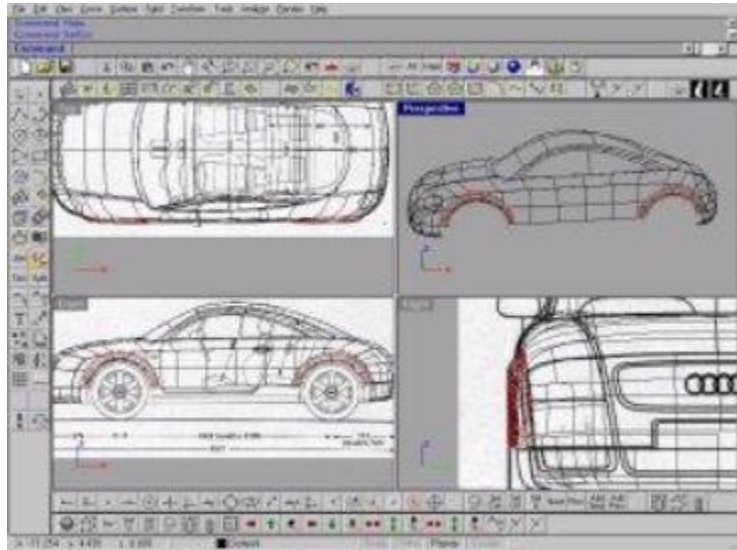
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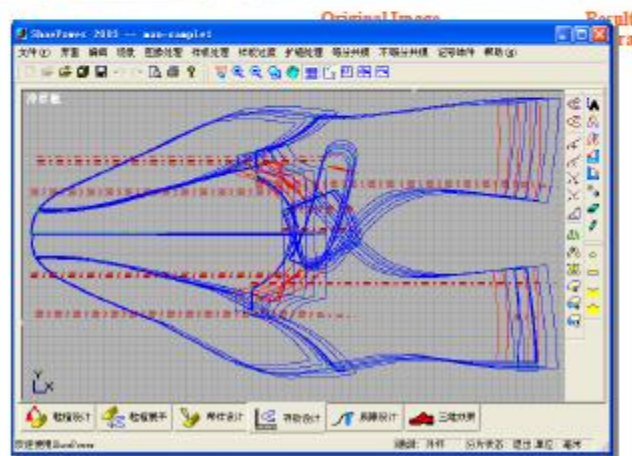
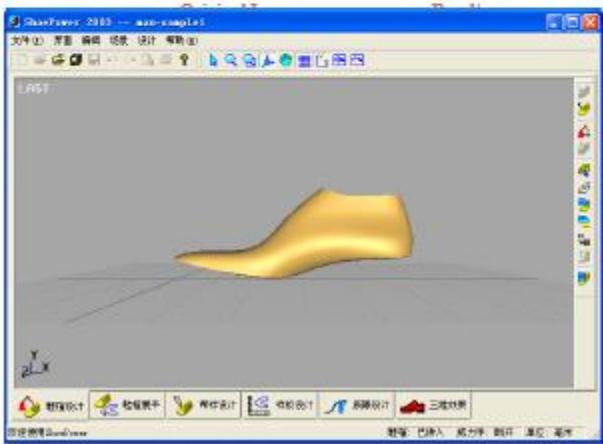
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# Design of Cars

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# Virtual Design



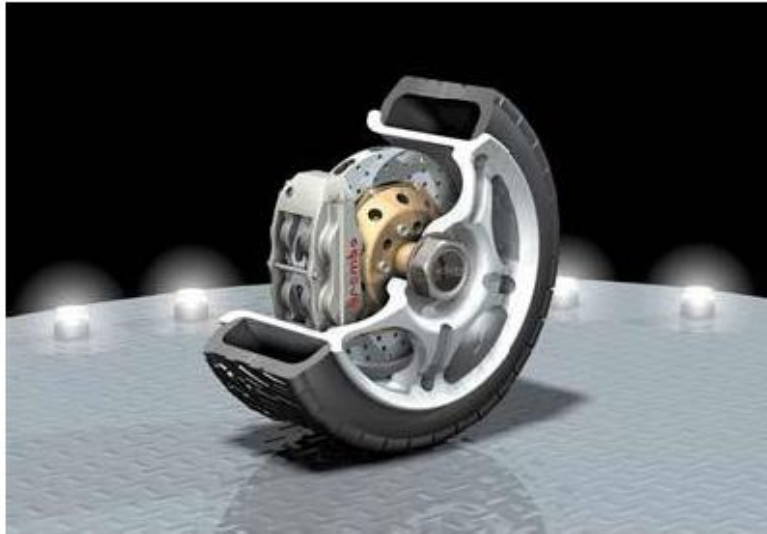
# Virtual Try-on





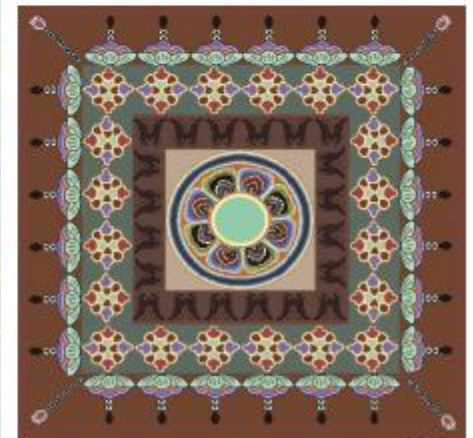
# CAD/CAM

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# Computer Arts

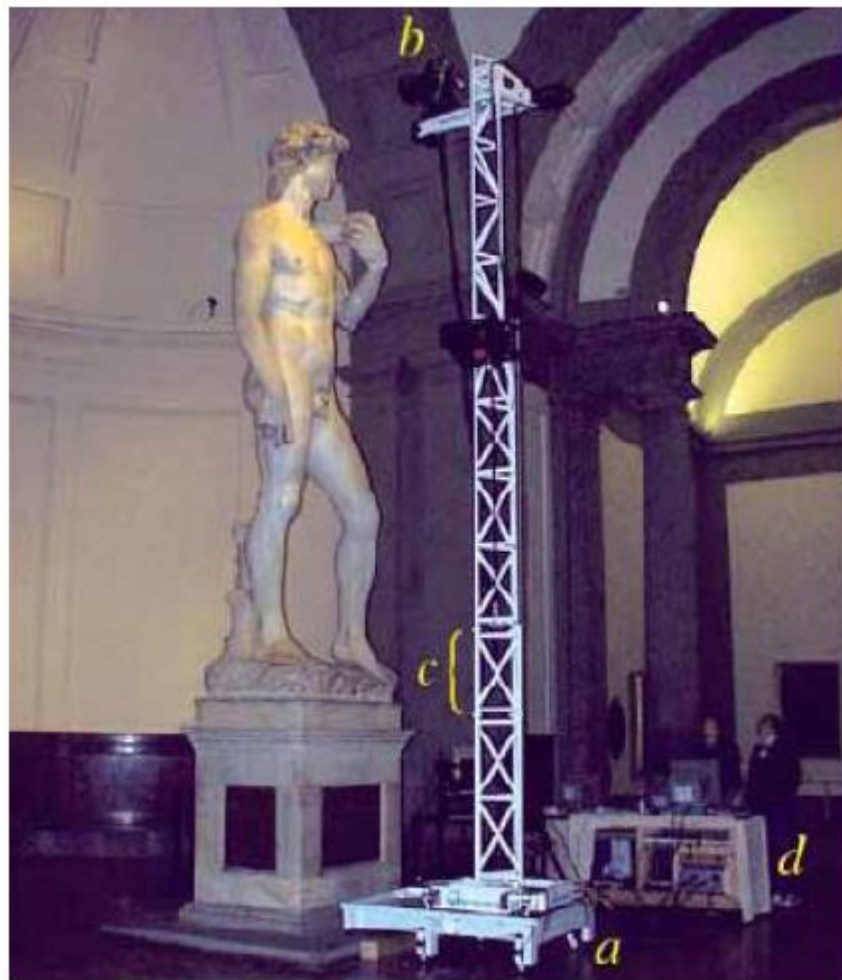
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# Digital Heritage

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# Virtual Reality

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# Virtual Reality

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# Augmented Reality

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- Microsoft's HoloLens



# Computer Games

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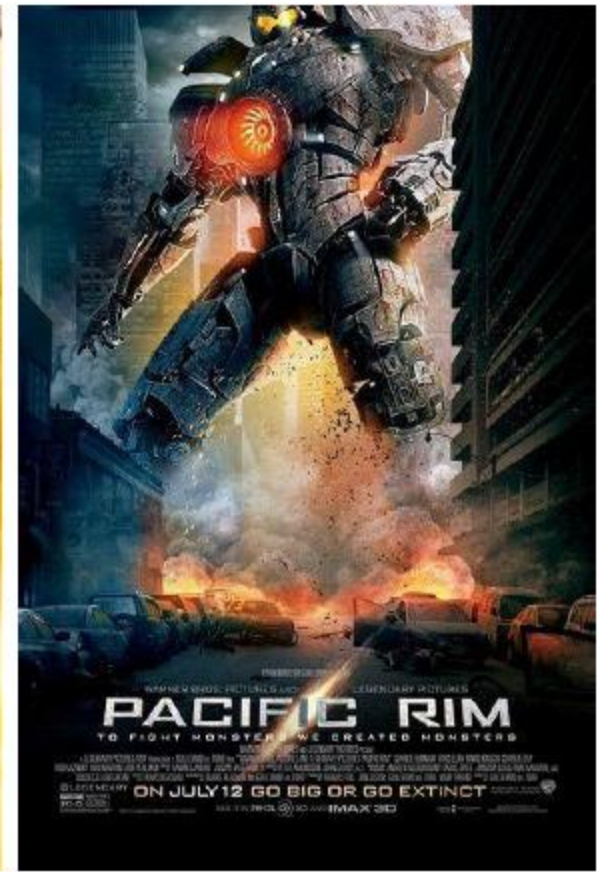
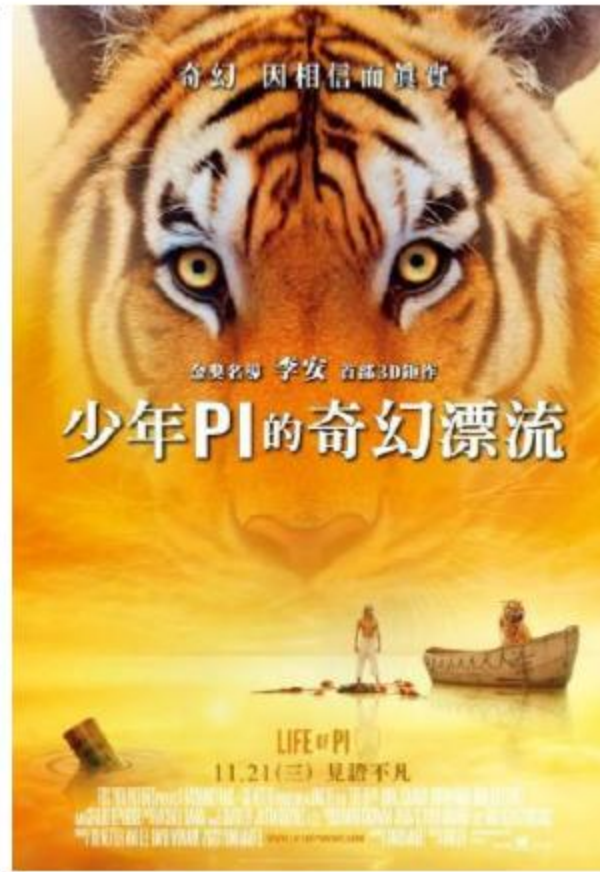
# Animation

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# Movies

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# Visual Effects: Life of Pi

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# Visual Effects: The Adventures of Tintin

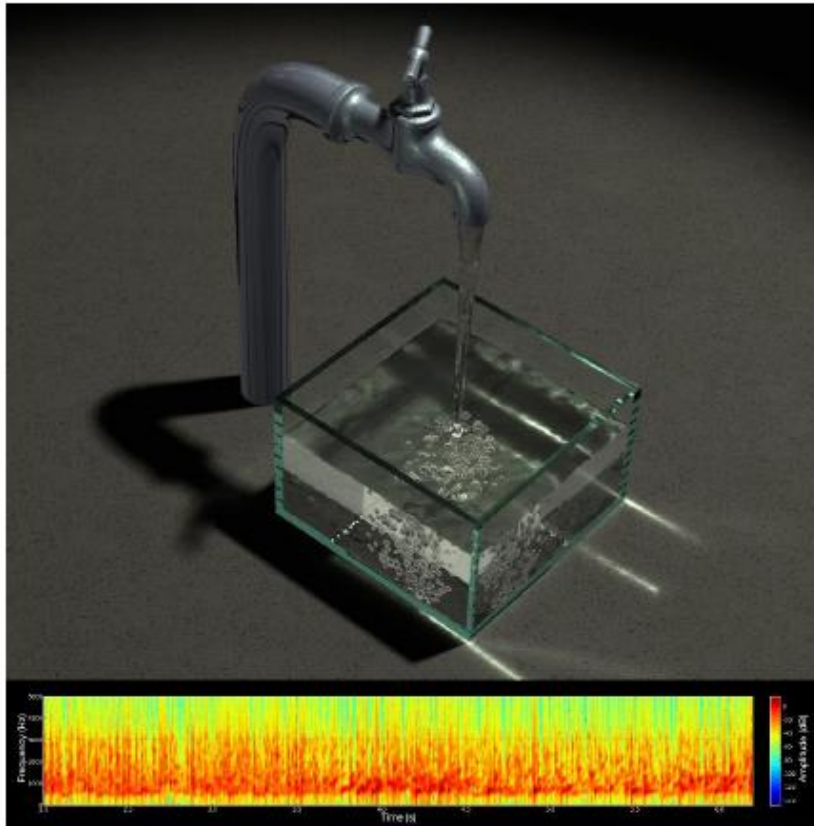
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# Simulation

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# User Interface

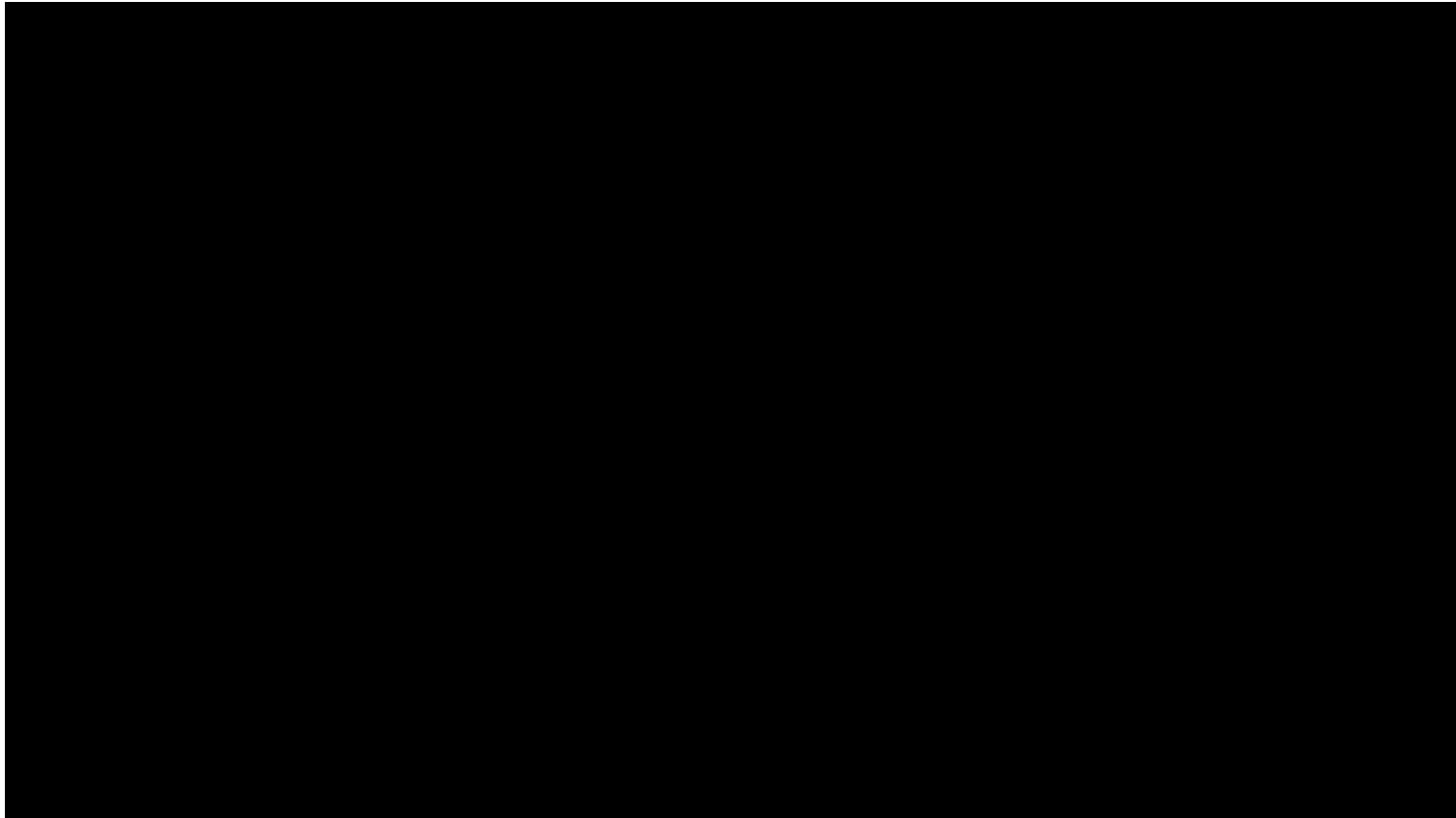
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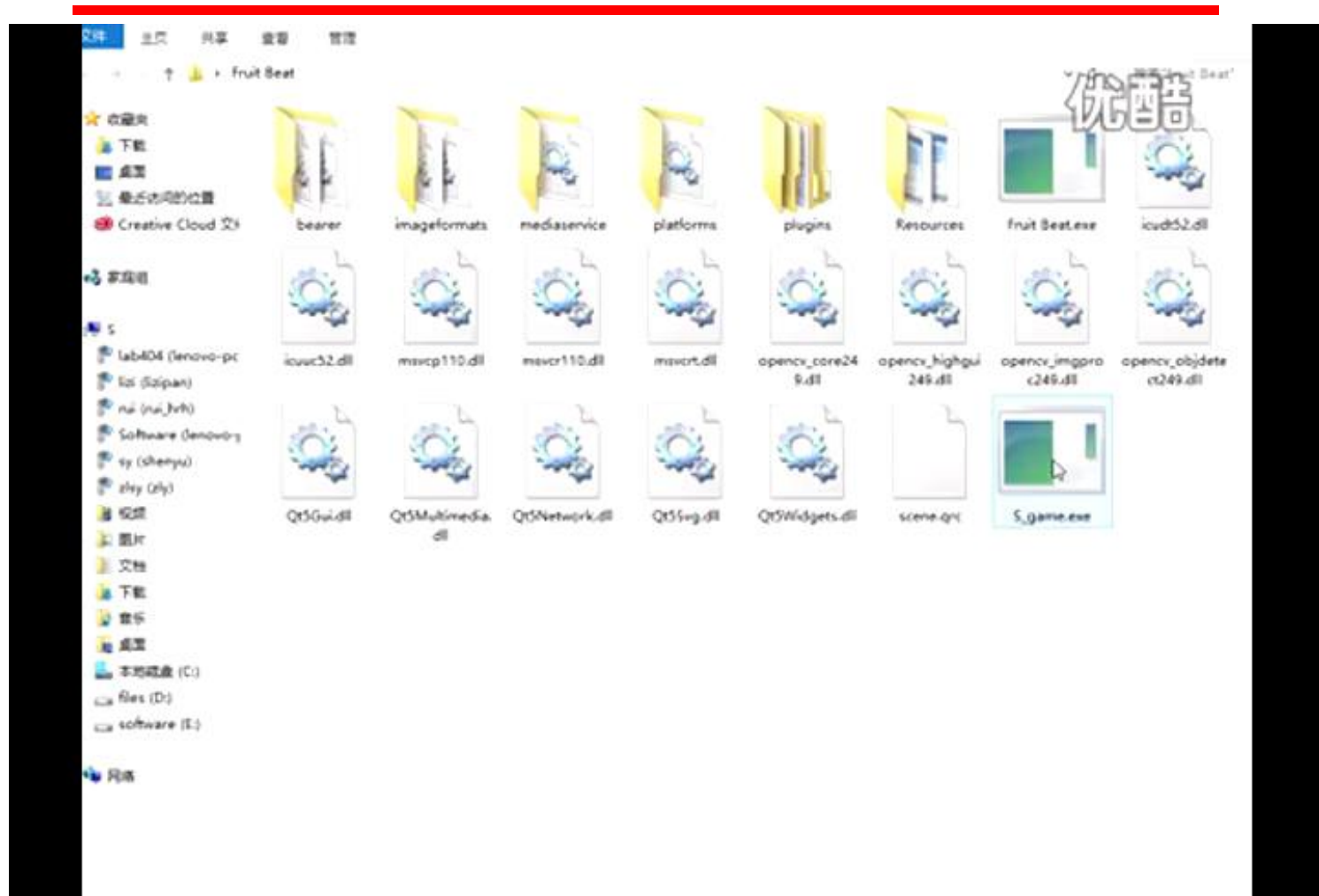
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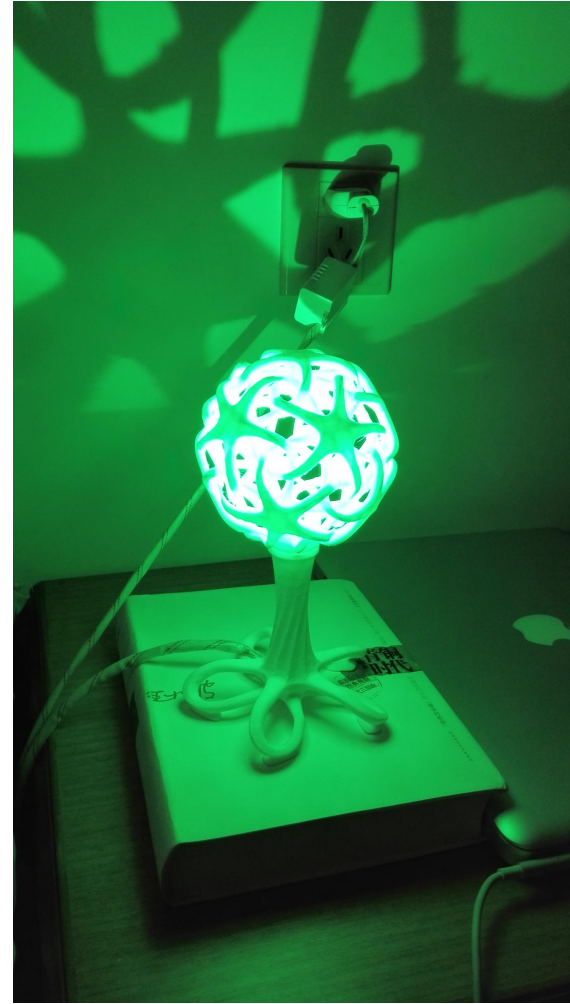
- Kinect



# Fruit Cut



# 3D Printing



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# CG / CV / AI

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- CG: Generate an Image
- CV: Parse an Image
- AI: The tools of CG/CV