

## Lecture I: Intro. to Interactive Visualization

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# Outline

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- What is interactive visualization?
- About the course

**vi·su·al·i·za·tion** noun \,vi-zhə-wə-lə-'zā-shən

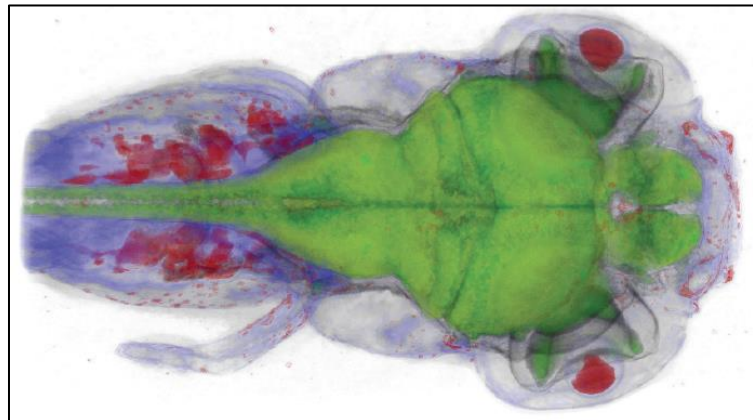
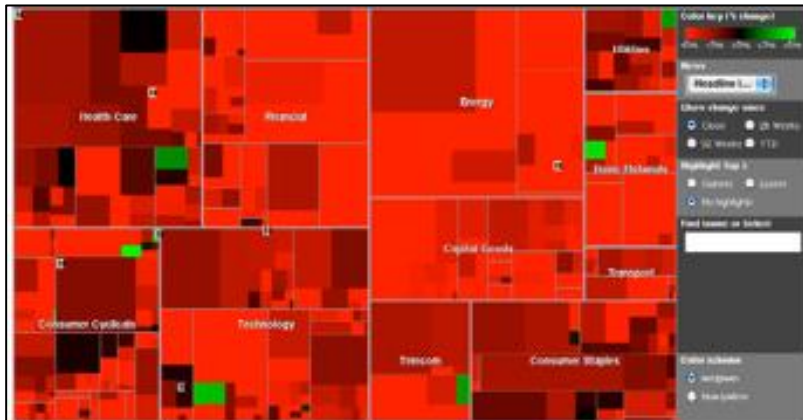
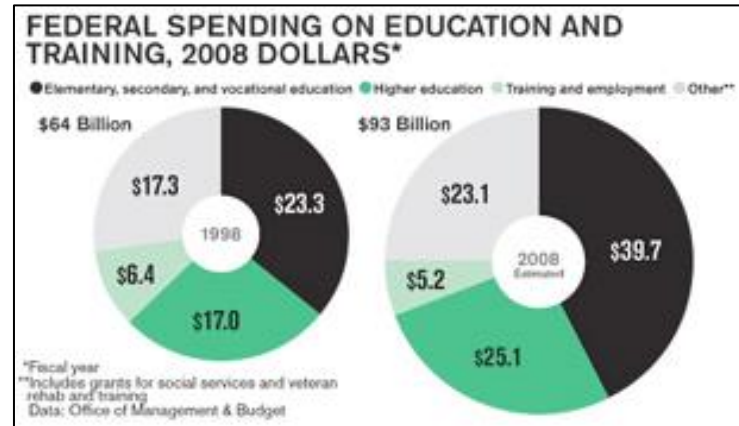
- 1: formation of mental visual images
- 2: the act or process of interpreting in visual terms or of putting into visible form
- 3: the process of making an internal organ or part visible by the introduction (as by swallowing) of a radiopaque substance followed by radiography



*“a cognitive process performed by humans in forming a mental image of a domain space. In computer and information science it is, more specifically, the **visual representation of a domain space using graphics, images, animated sequences, and sound augmentation** to present the data, structure, and dynamic behavior of large, complex data sets that represent systems, events, processes, objects, and concepts”*  
[Williams et al. 95]



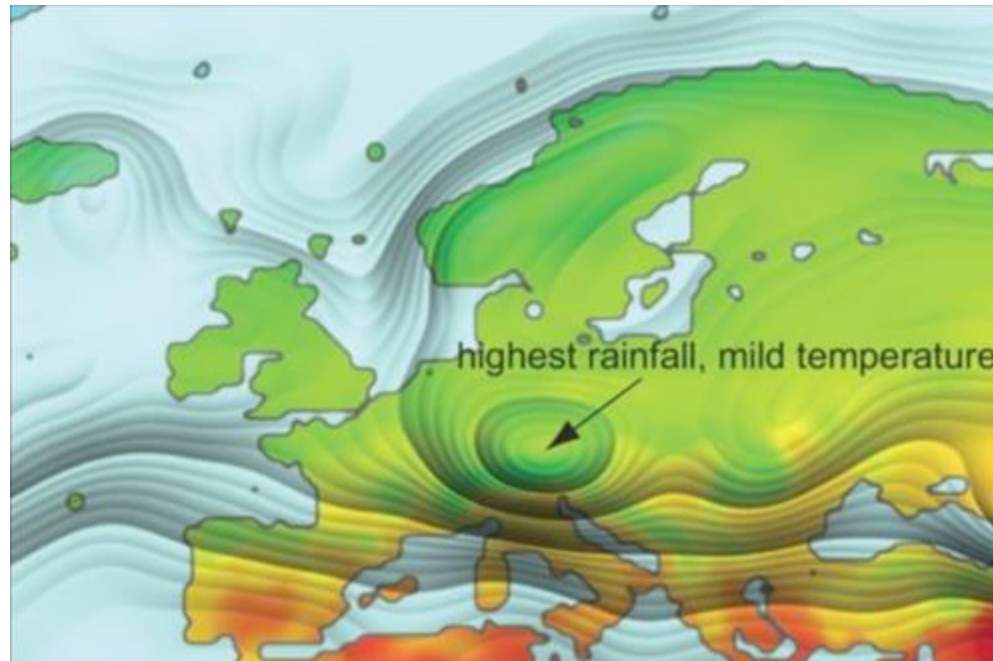
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# Example

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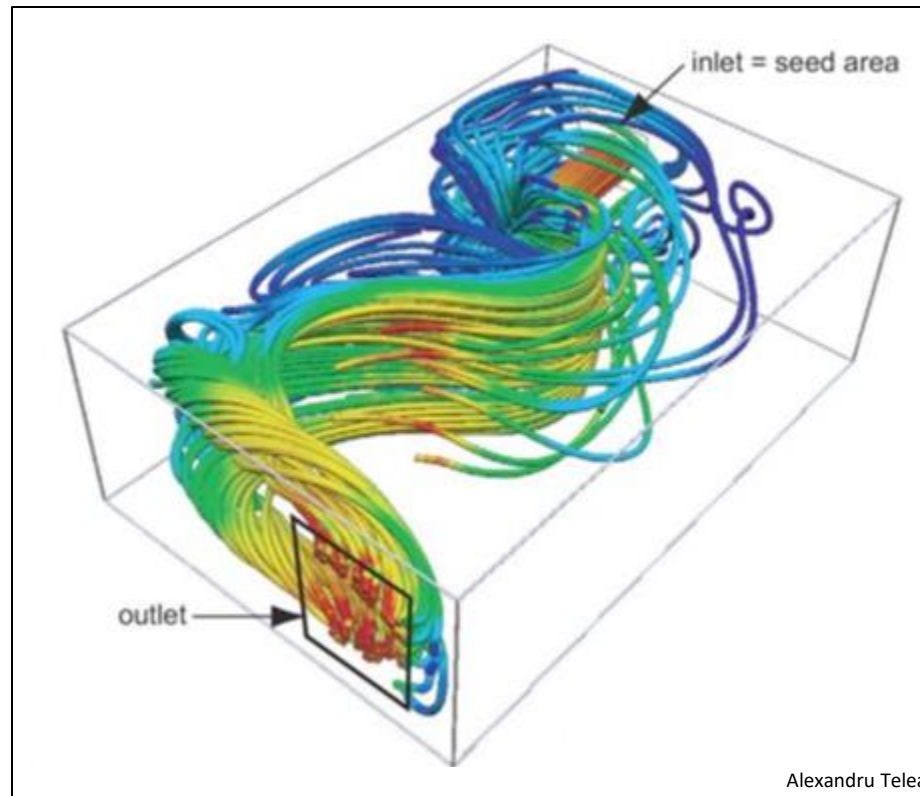
- Rainfall - temperature



Alexandru Telea

# Example

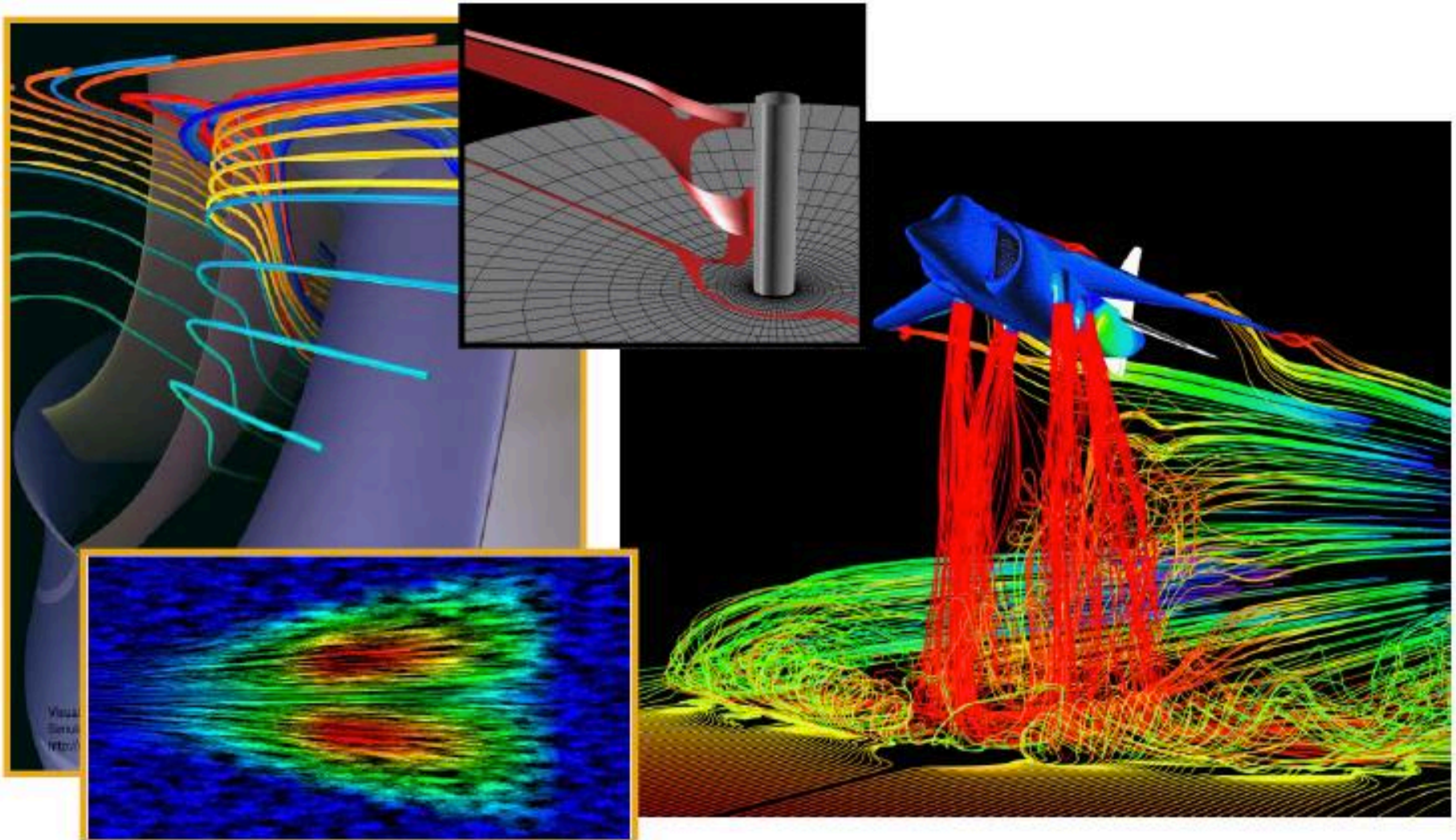
- Fluid flow





# Example

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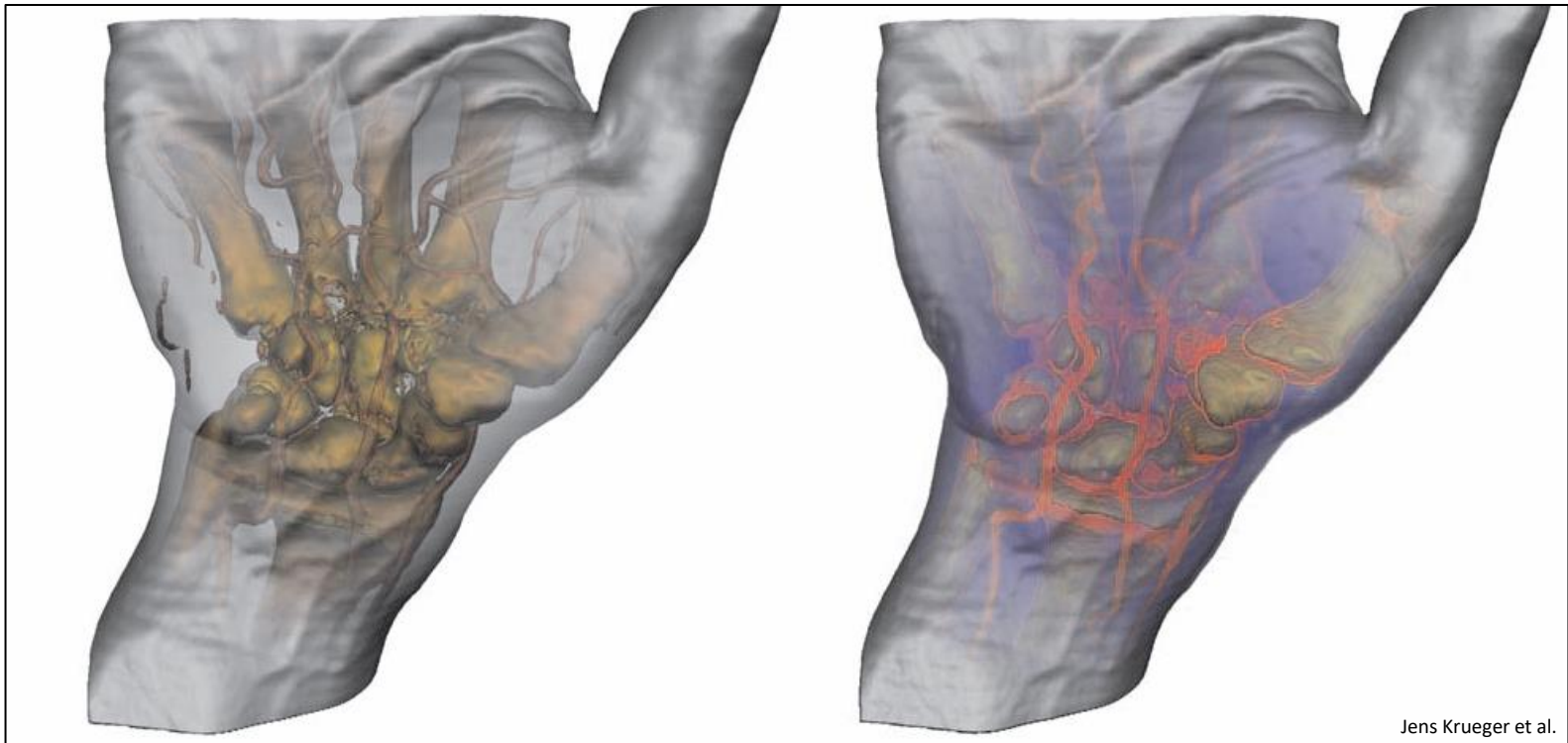




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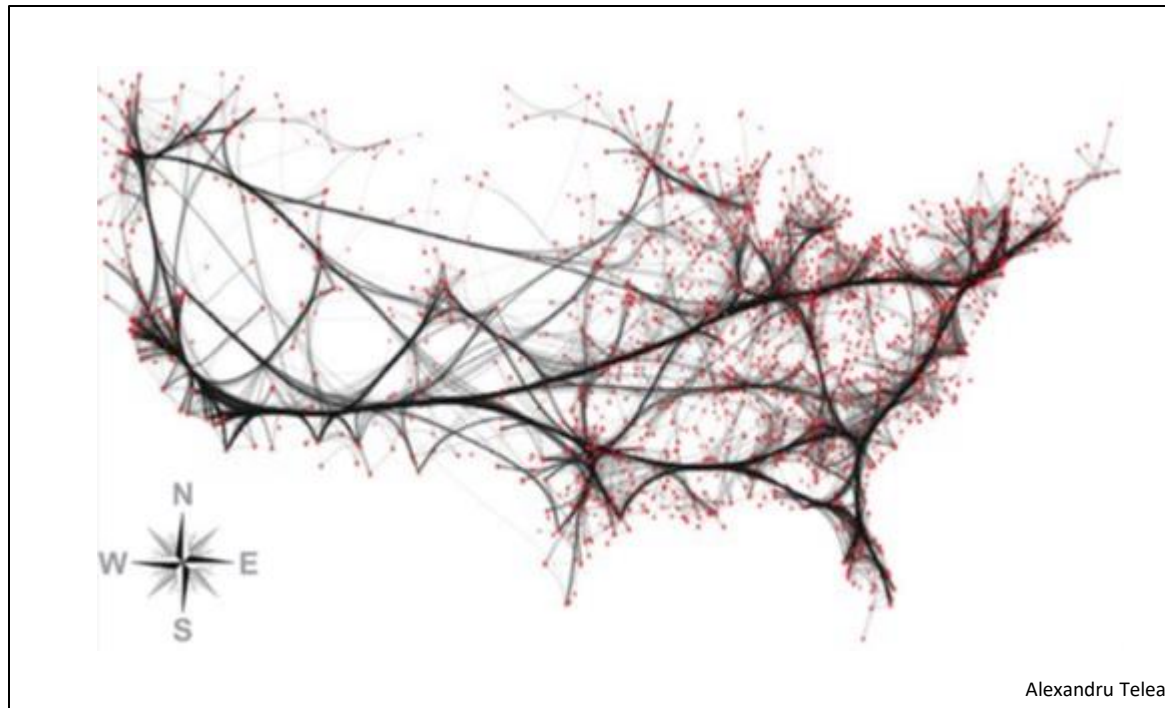
- Focus + context



# Example

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- Population migration pattern



# Example

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- Which gender and income level shows a different effect of age on triglyceride levels?

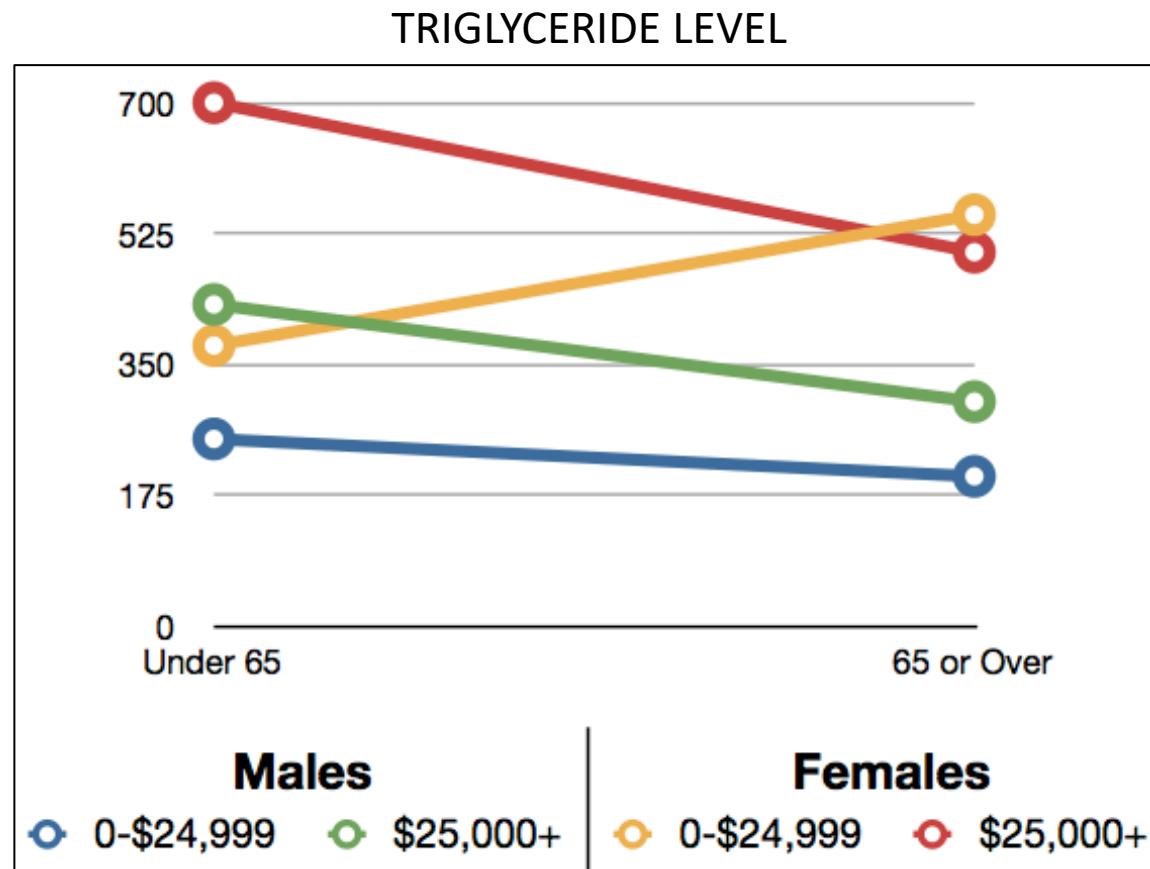
TRIGLYCERIDE LEVEL

Income Group	Males		Females	
	Under 65	65 or Over	Under 65	65 or Over
0-\$24,999	250	200	375	550
\$25,000+	430	300	700	500



# Example

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# Why Visualization?

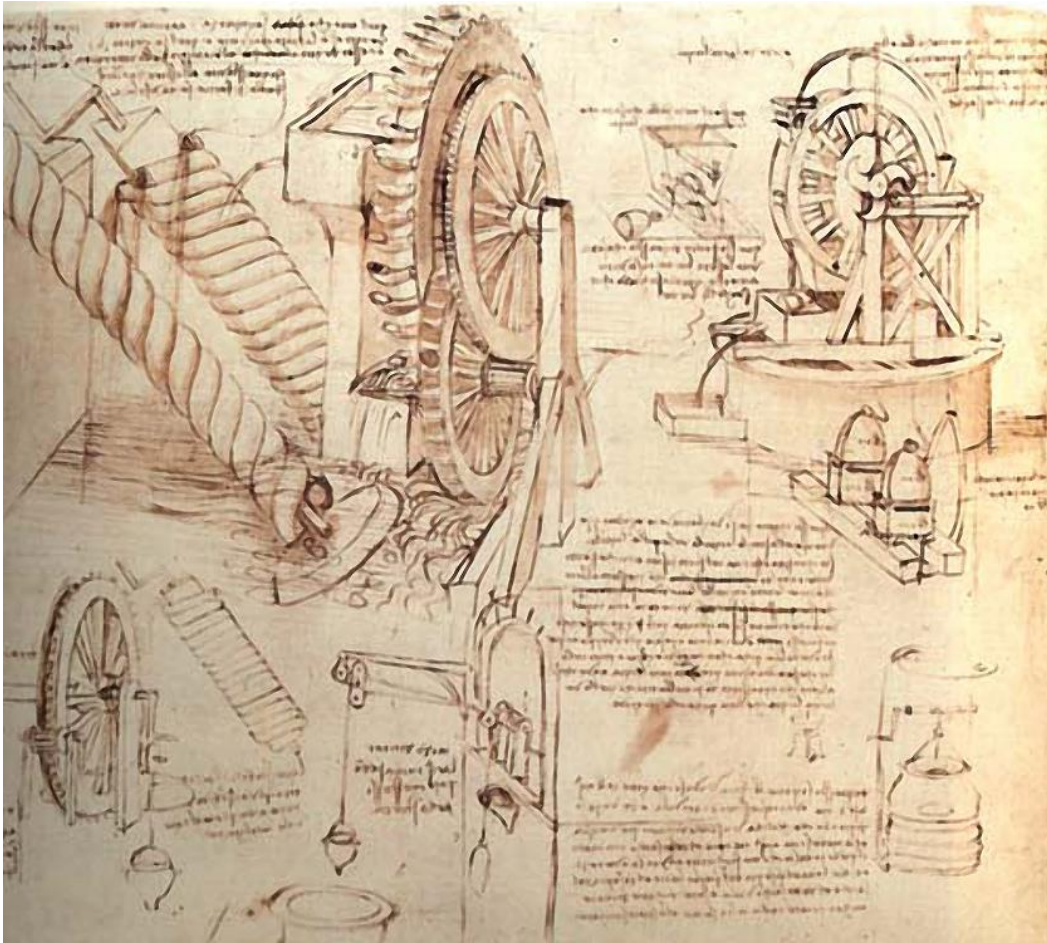
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- **Record** information
  - Blueprints, photographs
- **Analyze** data to support reasoning
  - Find patterns, develop and assess hypothesis
- **Communicate** ideas to others
  - Share information and persuade

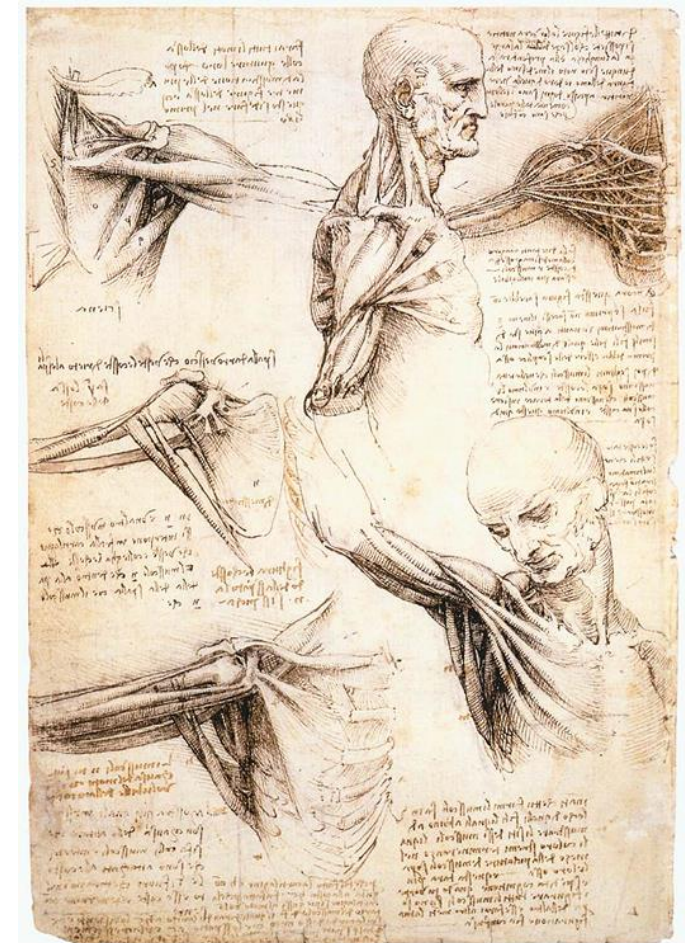




# Record



Leonardo Da Vinci





# Record

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Petroglyphs of Bangudae Terrace

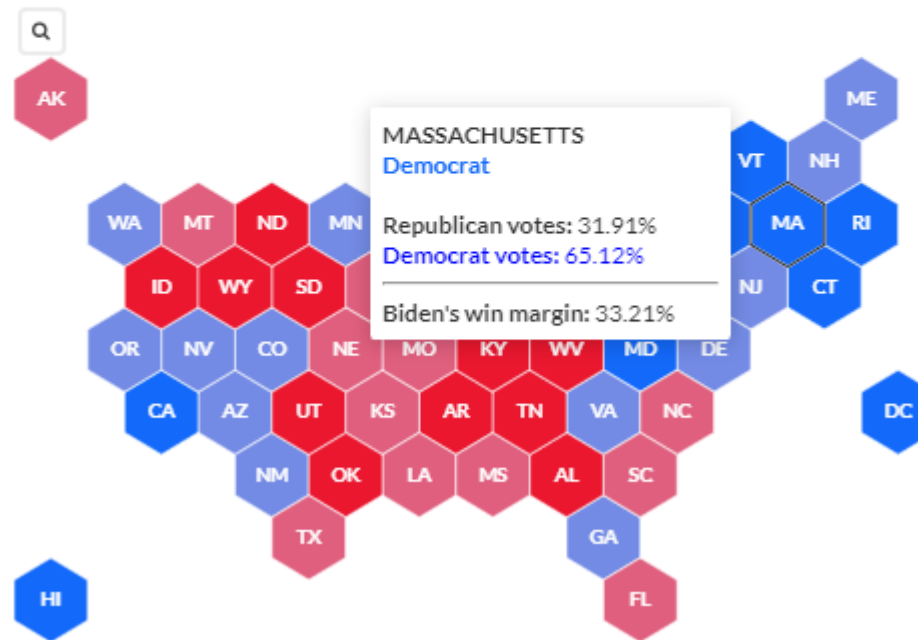
# Analyze

## State hex map

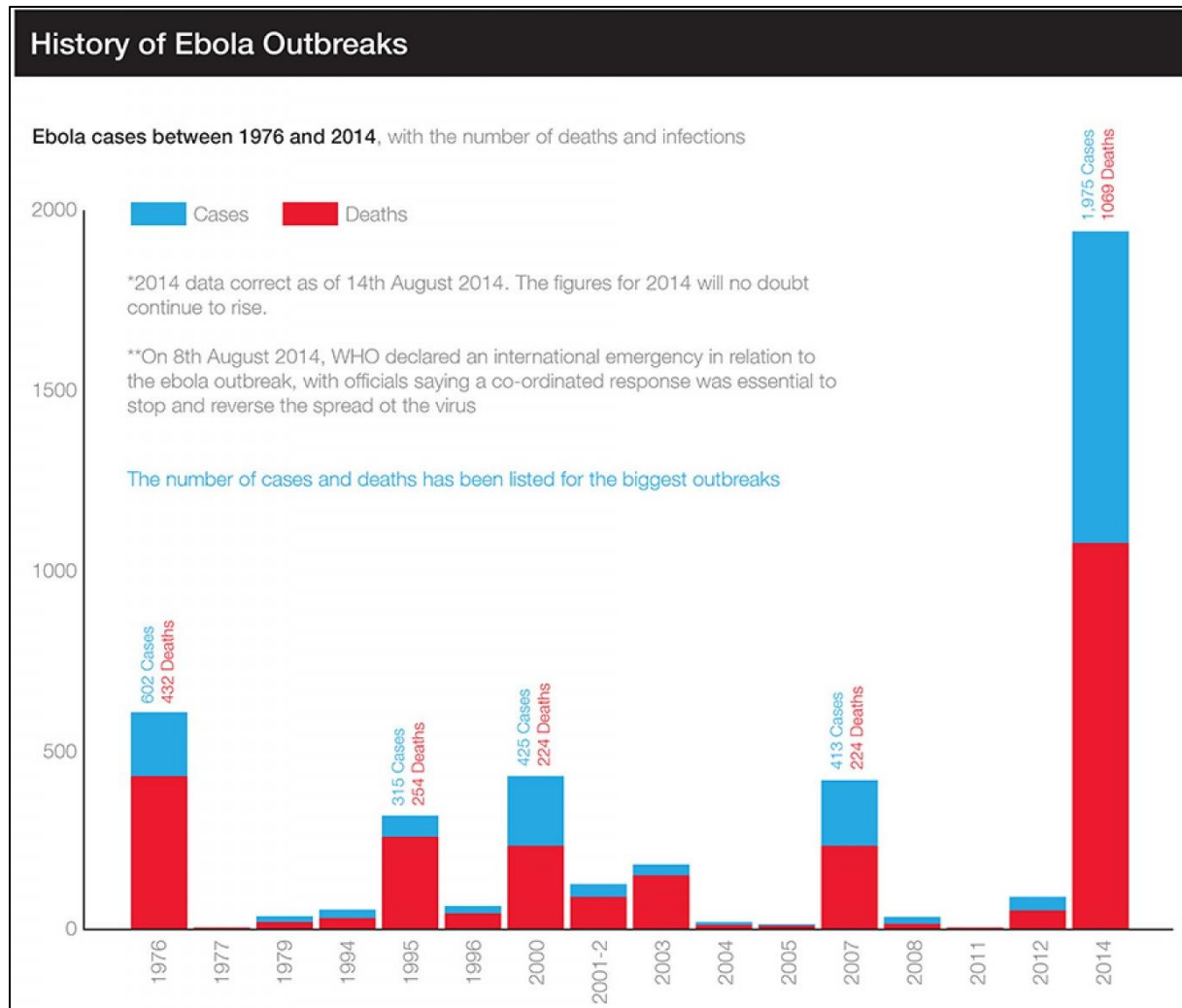
### Presidential election results, 2020

A positive margin of victory means the state voted more in favor of the **Democrats**. Values closer to **zero** suggest a politically divided district.

Biden's win margin:  -40% 0% 40%



# Analyze



Visual.ly



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# Communicate



# Classification

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- Scientific Visualization (SciVis)
  - Spatial data
  - Image, volume, polygonal mesh, ...
- Information Visualization (InfoVis)
  - Non-spatial data
  - Tree, graph, table, ...
- Visual Analytics (VA)
  - Analysis of data using graphical tools



***“Interactive visualization** or interactive visualisation is a branch of graphic visualization in computer science that involves studying how humans interact with computers to create graphic illustrations of information and how this process can be made more efficient.”*

- Wikipedia



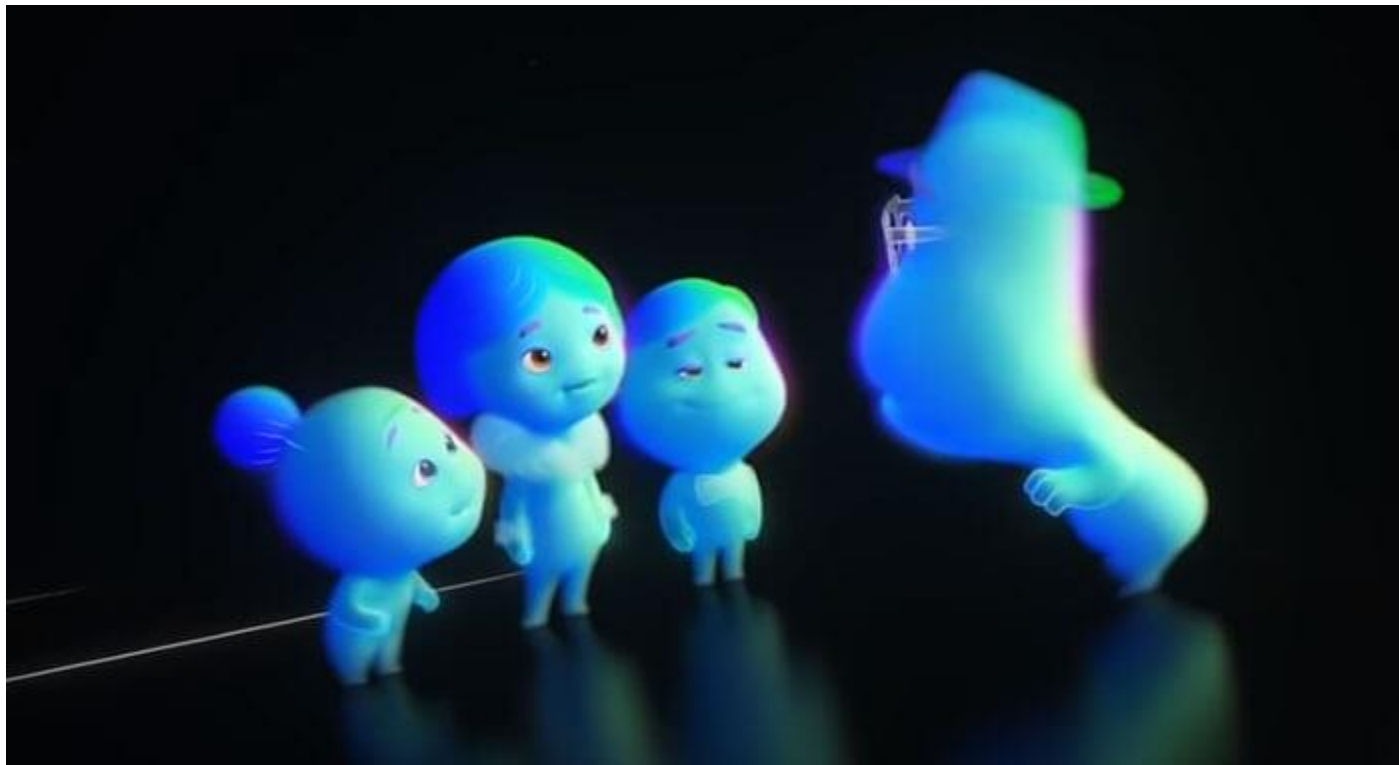
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# Computer Graphics

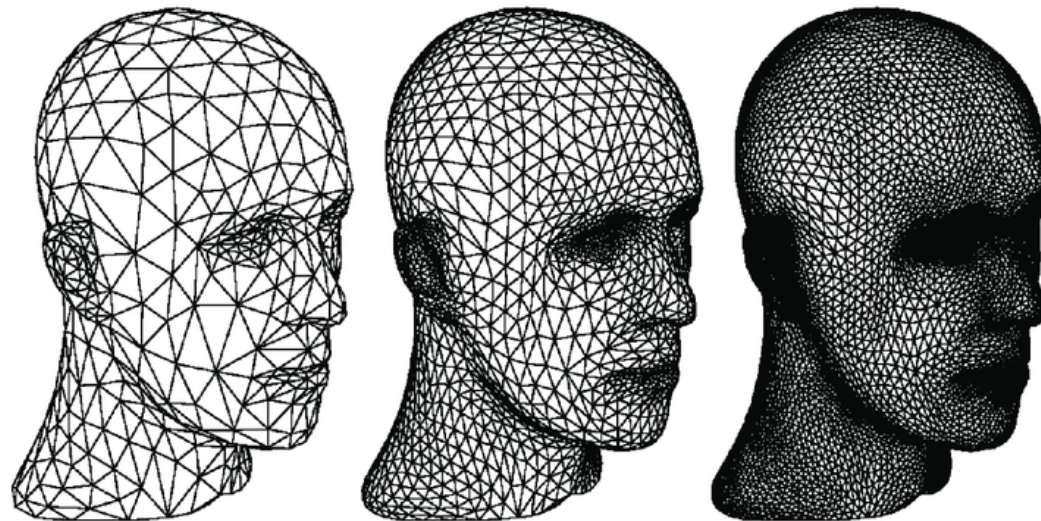
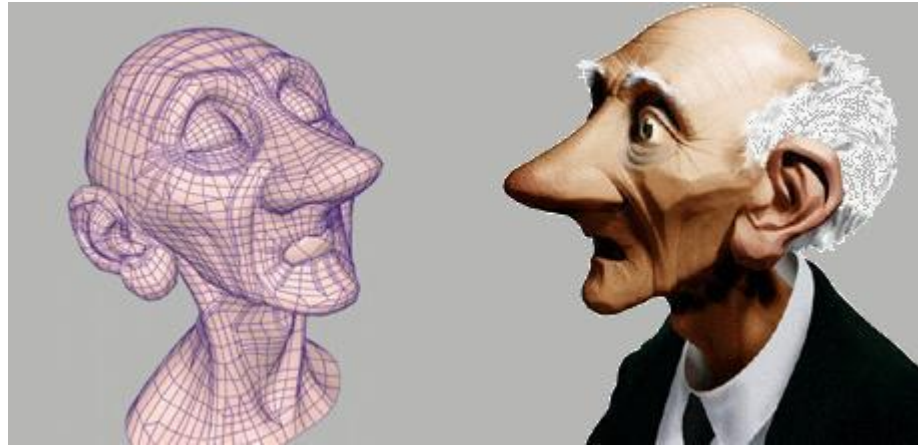
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- All about image generation using computers



# Technique: Modeling

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# Technique: Animation

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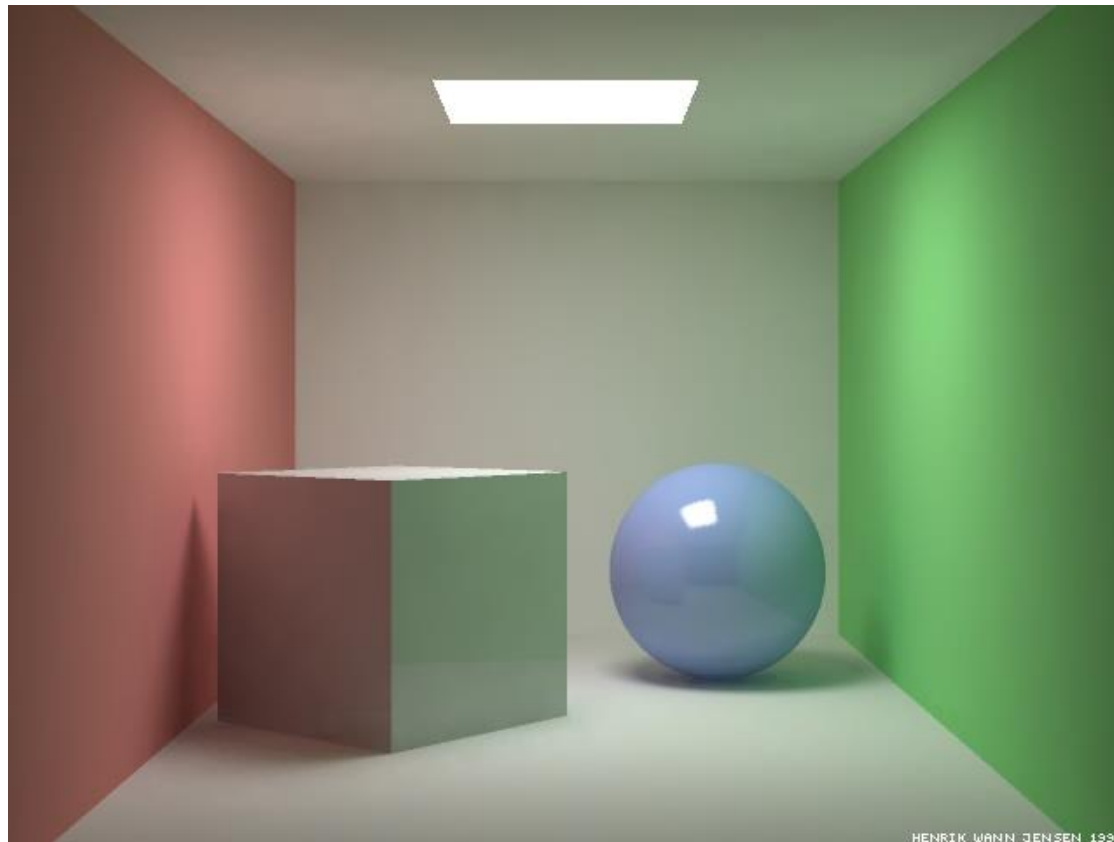
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Disney's Frozen

# Technique: Rendering

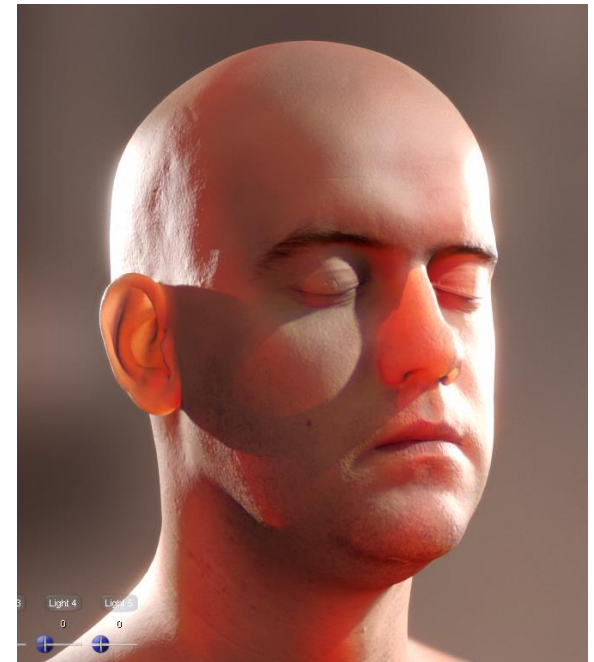
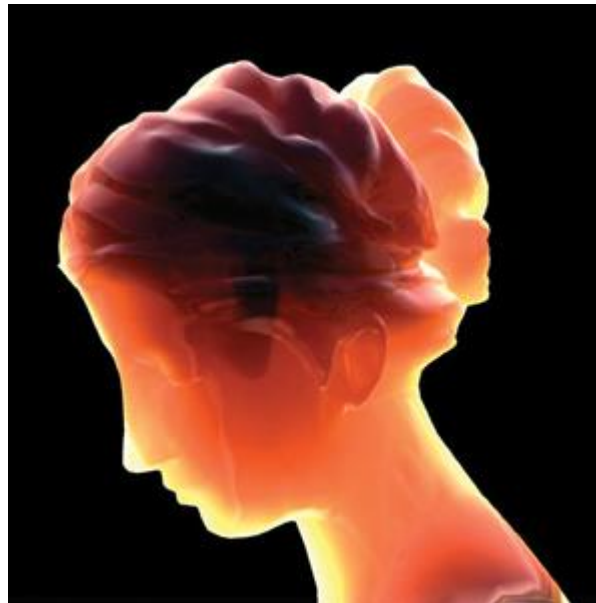
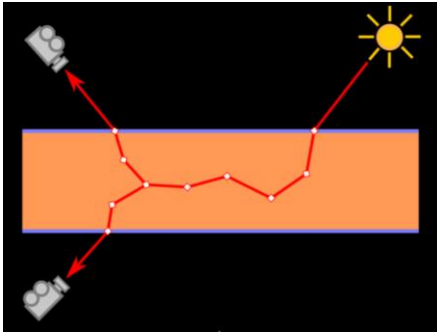
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- Global illumination



# Technique: Rendering

- Subsurface scattering



# Technique: Rendering

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- Radiance field rendering



This video contains a voice-over

## 3D Gaussian Splatting for Real-Time Radiance Field Rendering

SIGGRAPH 2023  
(ACM Transactions on Graphics)

Bernhard Kerbl\*



Georgios Kopanas\*



Thomas Leimkühler



George Drettakis



\* Denotes equal contribution



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# Technique: Image Processing

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- Style transfer



# Technique: Human Interactions





# Examples of Interactive Visualization

# Interaction with Scientific Data

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## Demo

Experimental Environment:

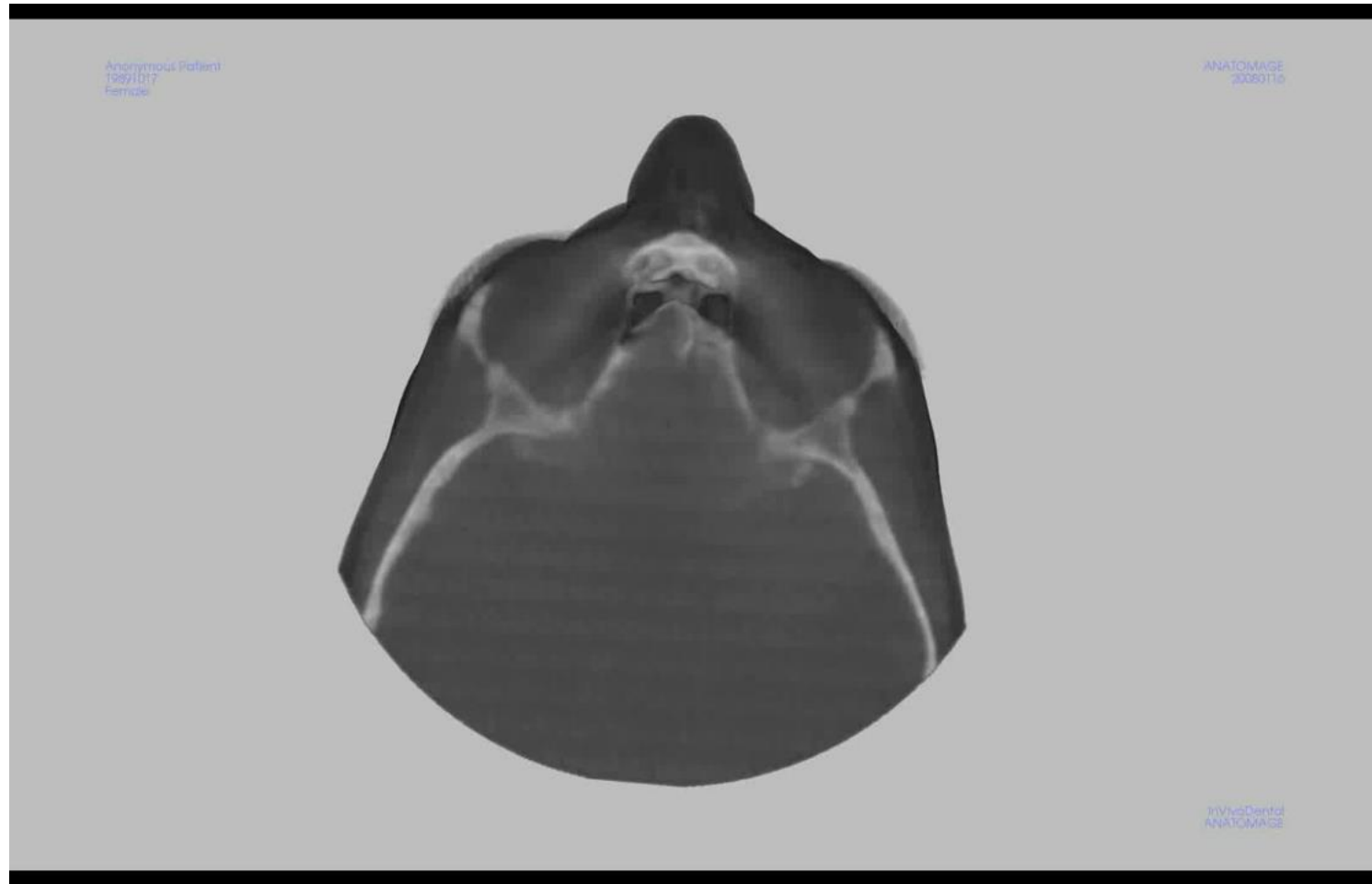
- GPU cluster system

(each node is equipped with a Titan X / 1080ti)



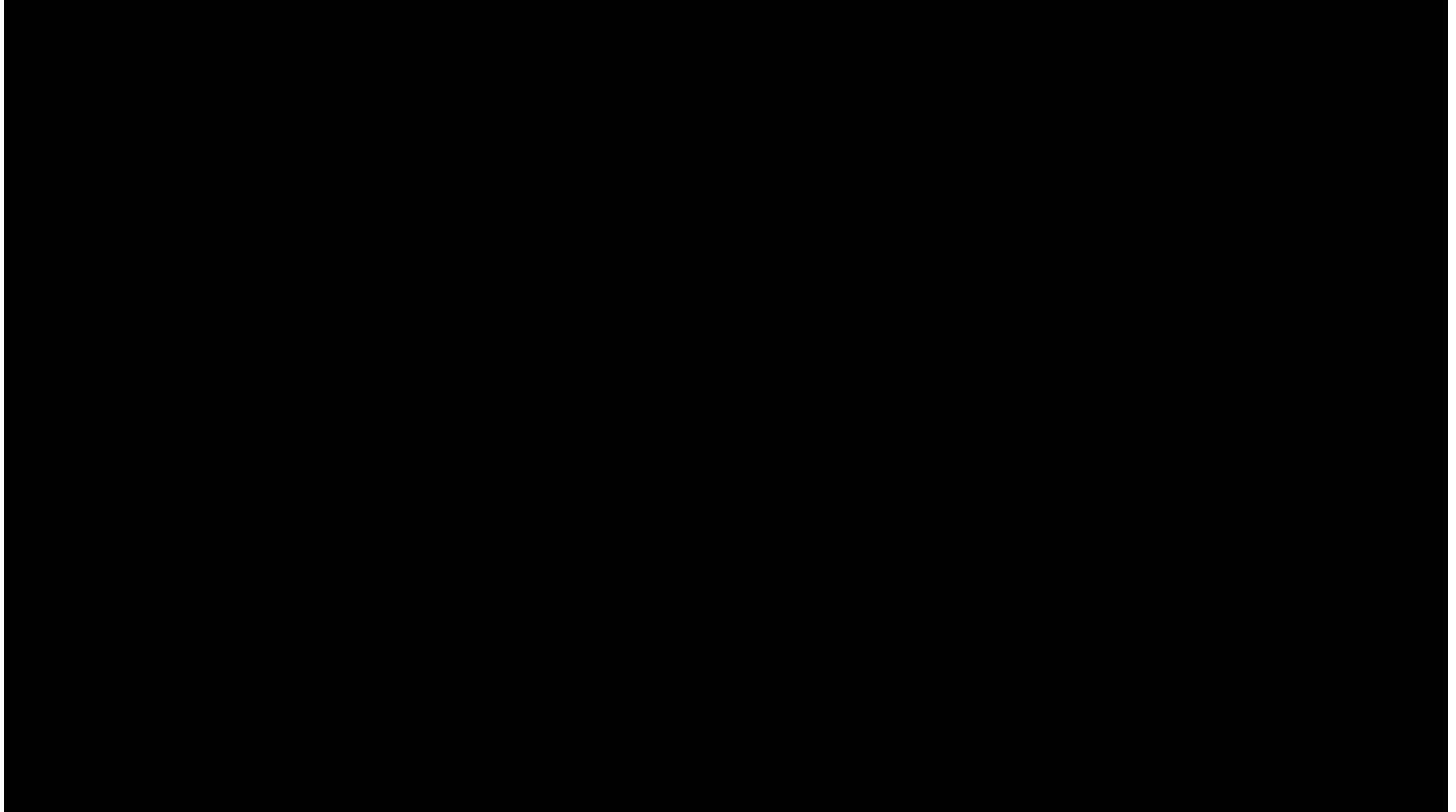
# Medical Data Exploration

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# Collaborative Visualization

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tmctoL42eQY>



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# Interactive Visual Analytics

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# Instructor

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# COSE436 Goals

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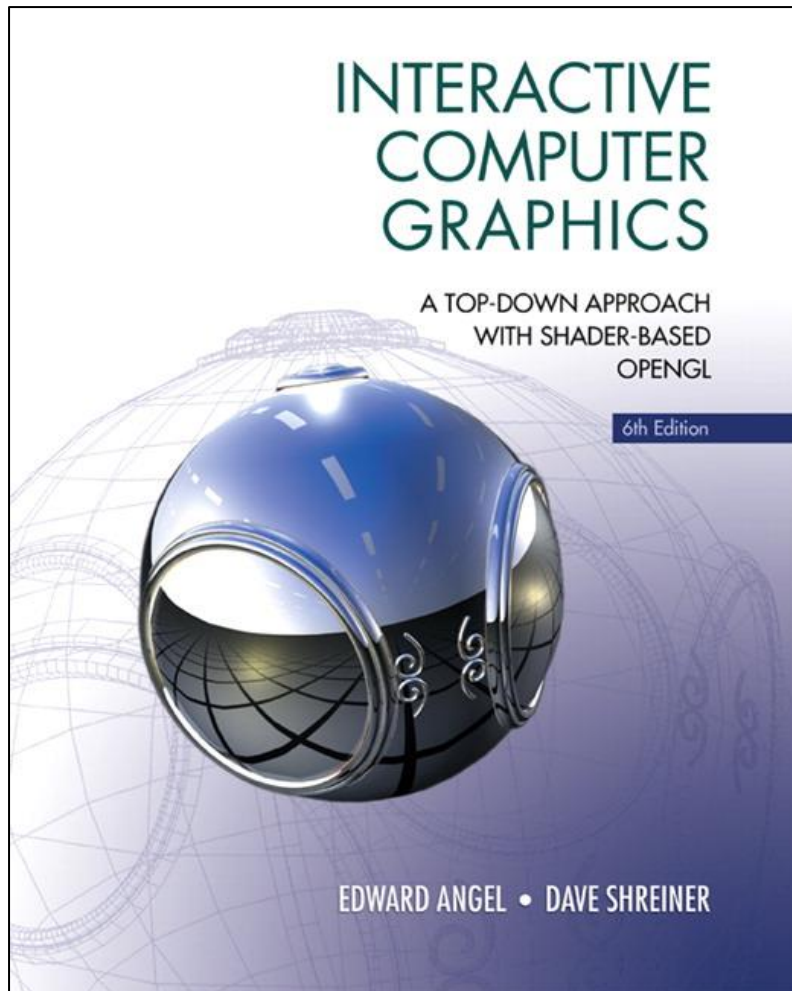
- Learn fundamental theories and algorithms for interactive visualization
  - Interactive graphics techniques
    - Raster graphics pipeline, GPU, user interface
  - Focus on scientific applications
    - Volume rendering, surface rendering, images, etc
- Get hands-on programming experience of graphics APIs and user interactions
  - OpenGL shaders, GLUT, C++





# Textbook

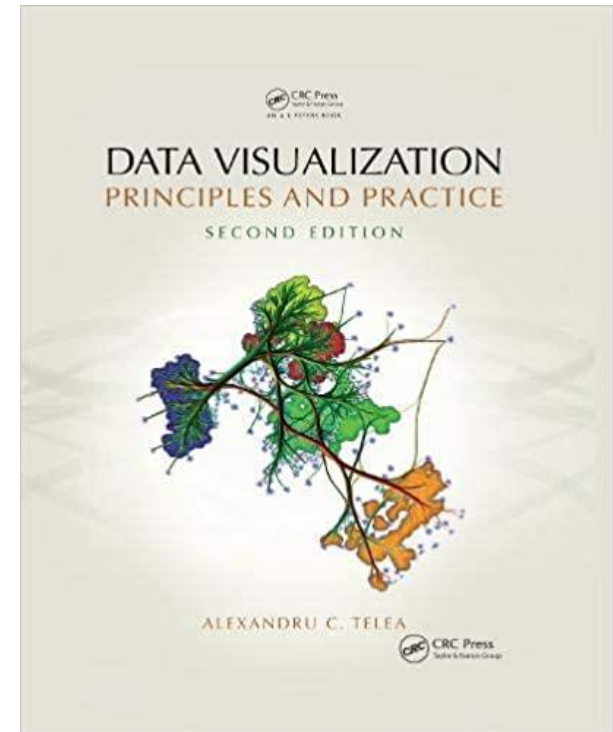
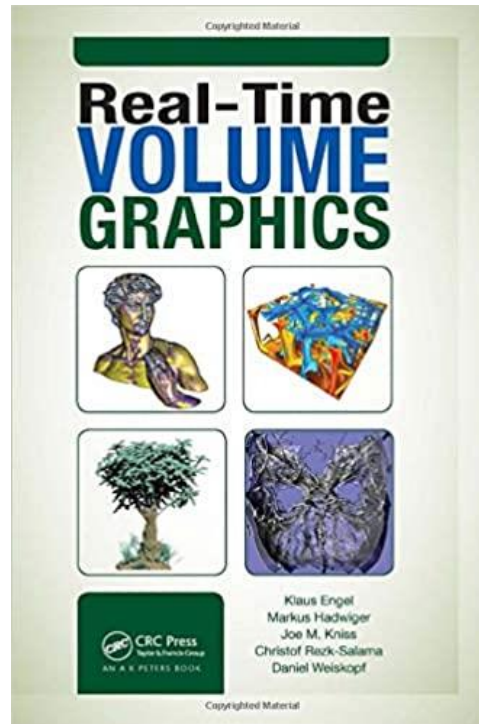
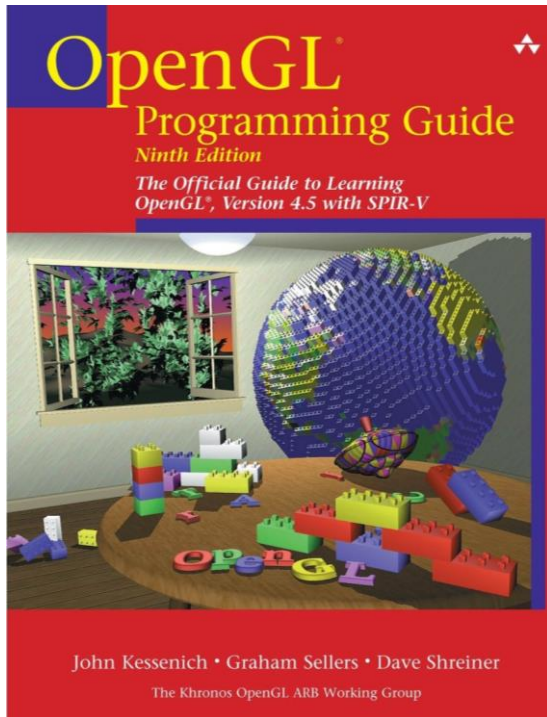
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- Interactive Computer Graphics: A Top-Down Approach with Shader-Based OpenGL (6<sup>th</sup> Edition)
  - Edward Angel & Dave Shreiner
  - Addison-Wesley
- Lecture notes will cover the topics in the book
  - No purchase required

# References

- Will be covered by lecture notes



- OpenGL Programming Guide “the Red Book” (9<sup>th</sup> Edition) by Dave Shreiner
- Real-Time Volume Graphics by Engel et al.
- Data Visualization by Alexandru Telea (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition)



# Course Logistics

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- Tue/Thu 15:00-16:15
  - Lectures
- Programming assignments
  - Need prior knowledge of C++
- Midterm & Final exams



# Grading Policy

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- Points break-down
  - Homework (45%)
  - Exam (45%)
  - Class participation (attendance, etc) (10%)
- Homeworks are due Sundays midnight
  - You may use up to 4 days of grace period (no penalty for late submission) anytime during the course



# Academic Honesty

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- Discussion among students are encouraged, but no code sharing between students
- External code/library is not allowed unless approved by instructor
  - Ask instructor/TA if you are not sure
- No reusing code from other courses
- Rule of thumb: consider homework as *take-home exam*





# Questions?

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