MULTIMEDIA APPLICATIONS

Application

In this section we provide an overview of current applications of Multimedia Systems.

Recall that a broad definition of a *Multimedia Application* is an Application which uses a collection of multiple media sources e.g. text, graphics, images, sound/audio, animation and/or video.

Classification

Multimedia applications may be classified in a few ways:

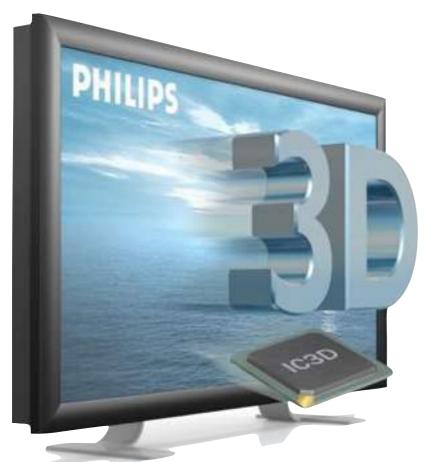
- Field of Application How they are used, e.g.
 Medical Diagnostics, Collaborative Learning etc.
- Media Employed what media they use
- How they are used people-to-people, people-tosystems.

Classification

- People-to-people where the application is being used to aid communication between humans e.g. Collaborative Learning, Video Conferencing. It could be subdivided to categorise:
 - private vs professional applications
 - interpersonal (two-way only) or group oriented applications
 - real-time vs asynchronous applications.
- People-to-systems basically providing access to (send and receive) multimedia information.



Home Entertainment & Computing











Massively Multi-player Online Gaming

Massively Multi-player On-line Role Playing Games (MMORPGs) have attracted millions of players, playing together massively.

MMOG Implementation

Through their analysis of many games, Ju and Wagner (1997) identified a model of adventure games. The basic components of adventure games within this model included, which as a plan for the games development:

- 1. Story
- 2. Development approach
- 3. Implementation

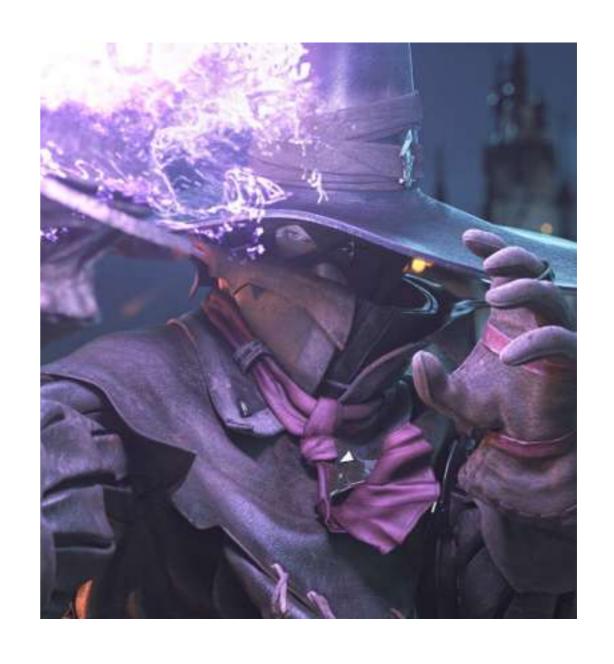
MMOG Story



(1) **Story**, which sets forth the basic characteristics of the game by specifying (a) story characteristics, (b) actors and actor characteristics, (c) resources, (d) tasks, and (e) setting. It is through the interaction of these elements that the adventure game takes its' basic form.

MMOG Development

(2) Development approach, which basically refers to how the specific details of the game are created and whether actors and setting are virtual (computer-generated) or real (video). This part of the model does not really affect the content or play of the game.



MMOG Implementation



(3) Implementation, which refers to the visual and technical aspects or interface of the game. Implementation includes the user's input options as well as the output options such as scoring and feedback.



MMOG Challenges

In a computer network, latency refers to the length of time a message takes to move from one designated node to another. Smed, Kaukoranta, and Hakonen (2002) note that the variance in latency measures is known as "jitter," and suggest that in MMOGs an acceptable latency might range from 0.1 to 1.0 seconds.

In effect, higher latencies might be acceptable as long as there is minimal jitter.

MMOG Challenges

Participant acceptance of latency might vary according to whether the activity is performance-based (i.e., first person shooter games), strategic, or reflective.

If participants are dissatisfied with the latency they are experiencing, they may be less likely to play regularly or truly engage in a multiplayer online game.

MMOG Performance

The impact of bandwidth variations on overall game performance as well as player attitudes, persistence, and commitment.

- 1. Longer latencies result in lower game satisfaction and game performance.
- 2. Longer latencies reduce participants' degree of commitment and motivation.

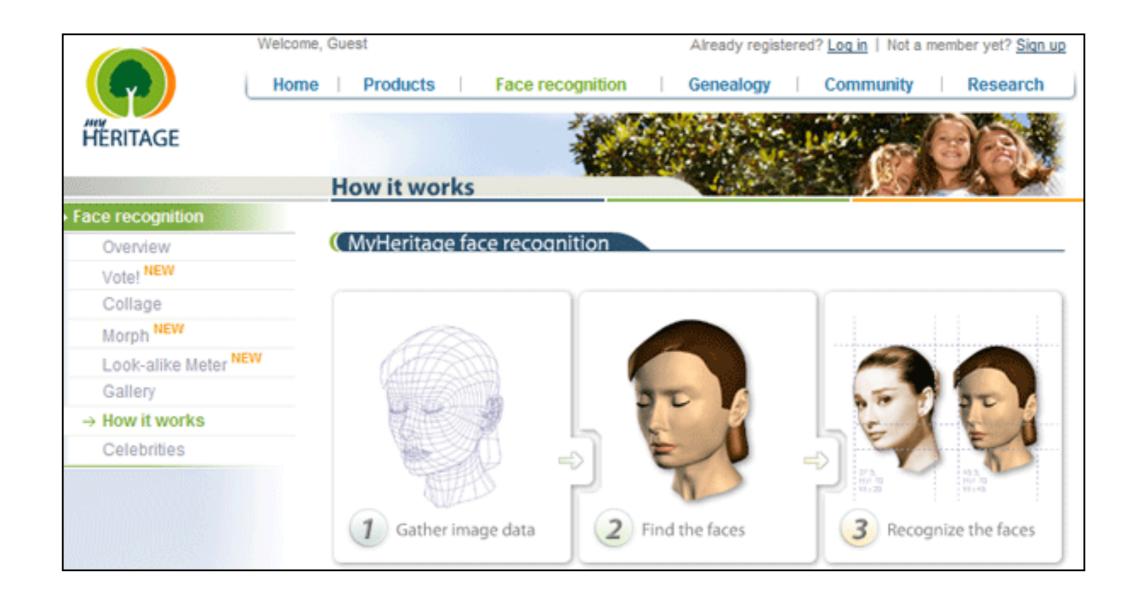
Web and Social Networking





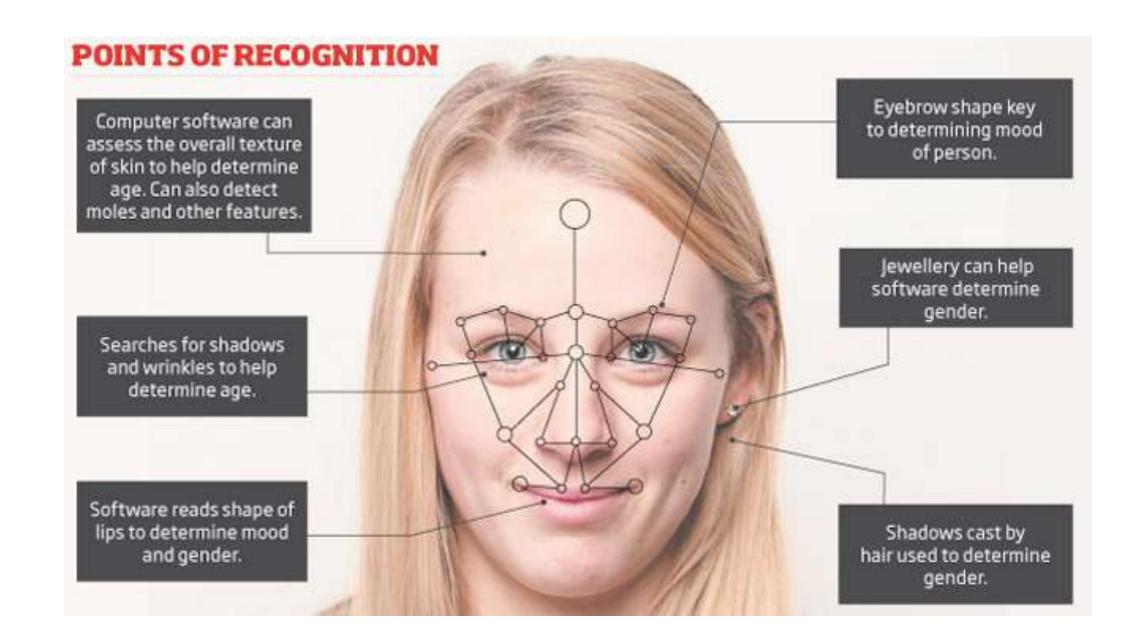
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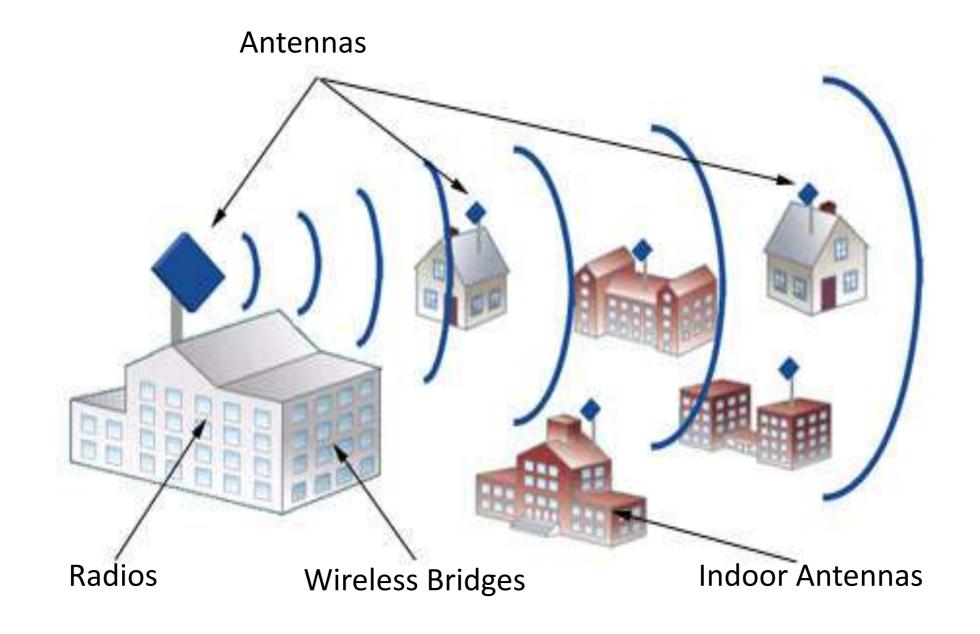
Face Recognition Technology

Face recognition technology compares selected facial features from the image with a facial pattern database.



Face Recognition

Requires good algorithm



Wireless Communication

Wireless City

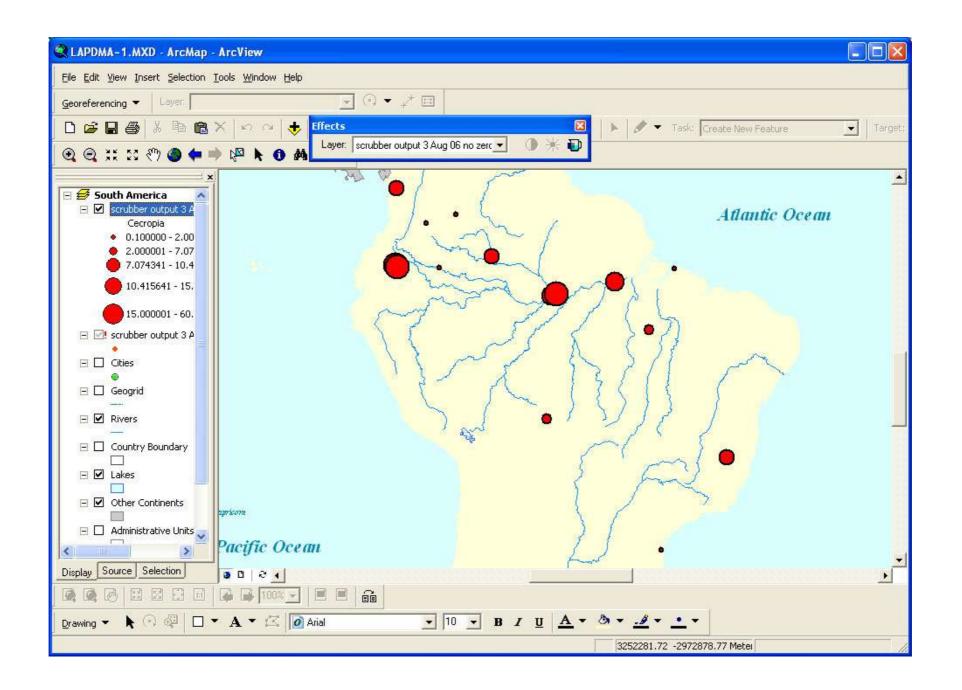


Virtual Reality (VR)

Virtual Reality technology allows interaction with a computer-simulated environment through stereoscopic display such as a head-mounted display (HMD).

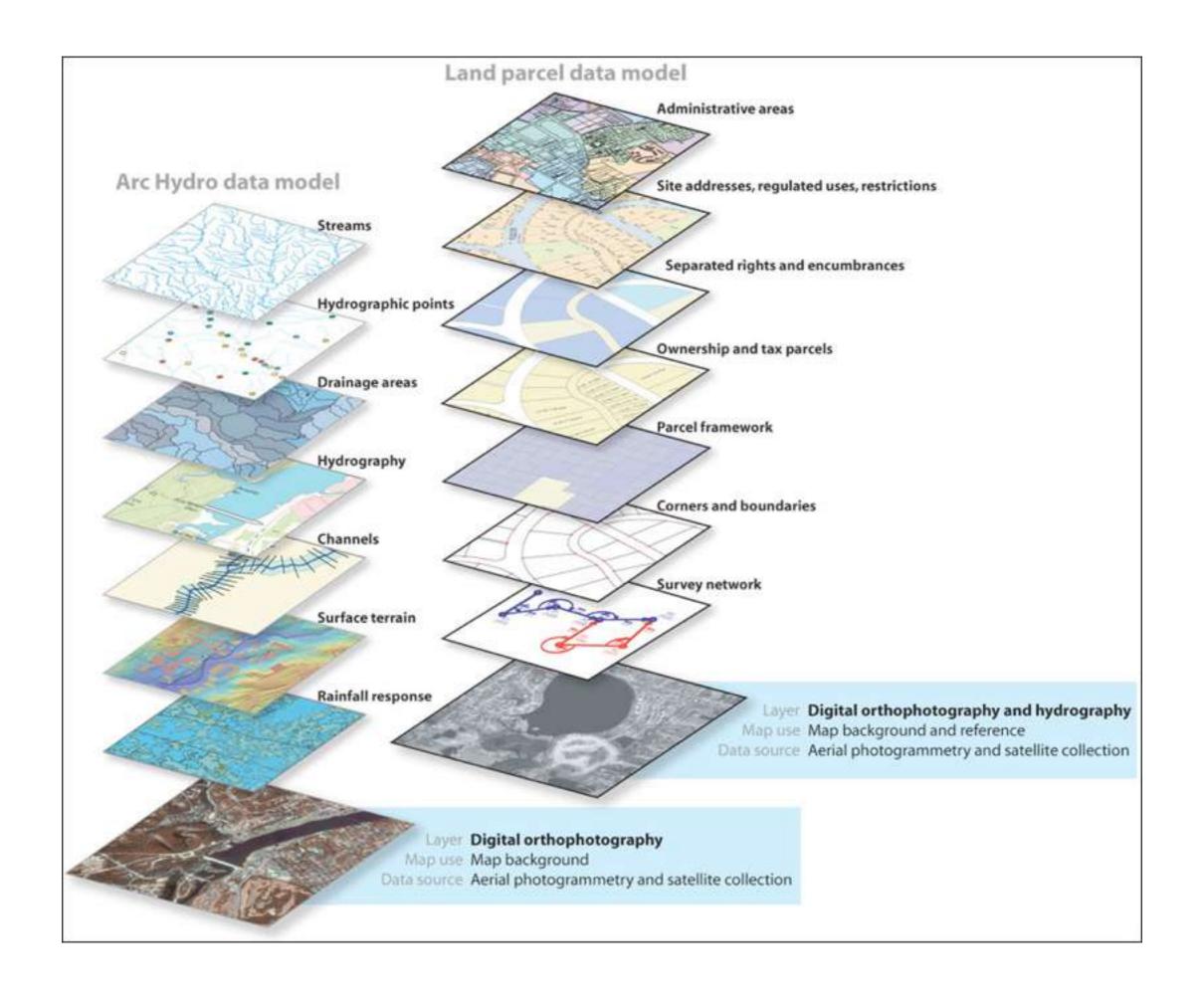
Virtual Reality (VR)

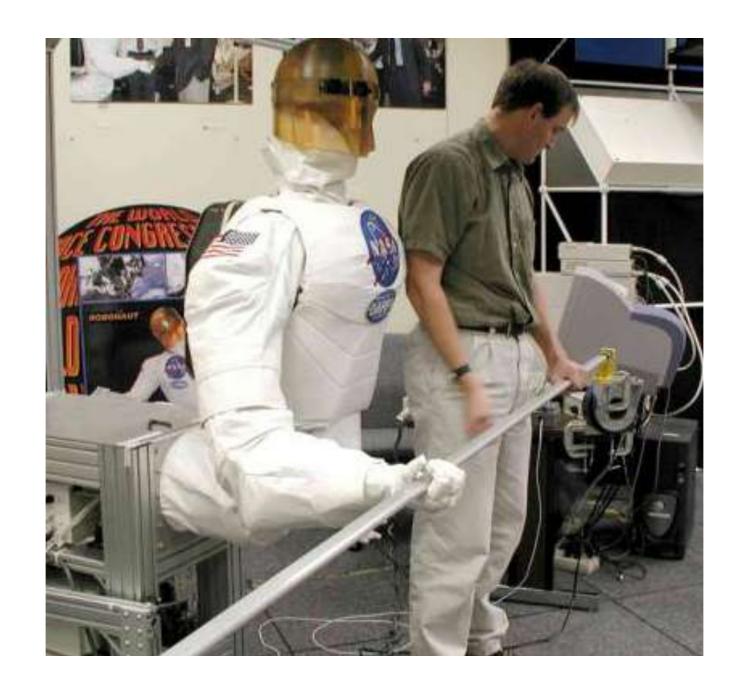
- Virtual Reality (usually called VR) is a term that refers to a computer generated environment where sight, sound, and sometimes even touch are simulated to create pictures, sounds and objects that actually seem real.
- A participant enters this simulated environment through a head mounted display (HMD) and interacts using a hand held control or a glove. VR systems create full colour 3-D images, track the participants body movements - usually head and hand motions - and change the image instantly as the participant interacts and moves through the virtual world.
- Experts predict the future of personal and business computing will merge with VR technology. VR will become integrated into our daily lives, from virtual shopping and banking to real-time virtual communication conferencing.



Geographical Information System (GIS)

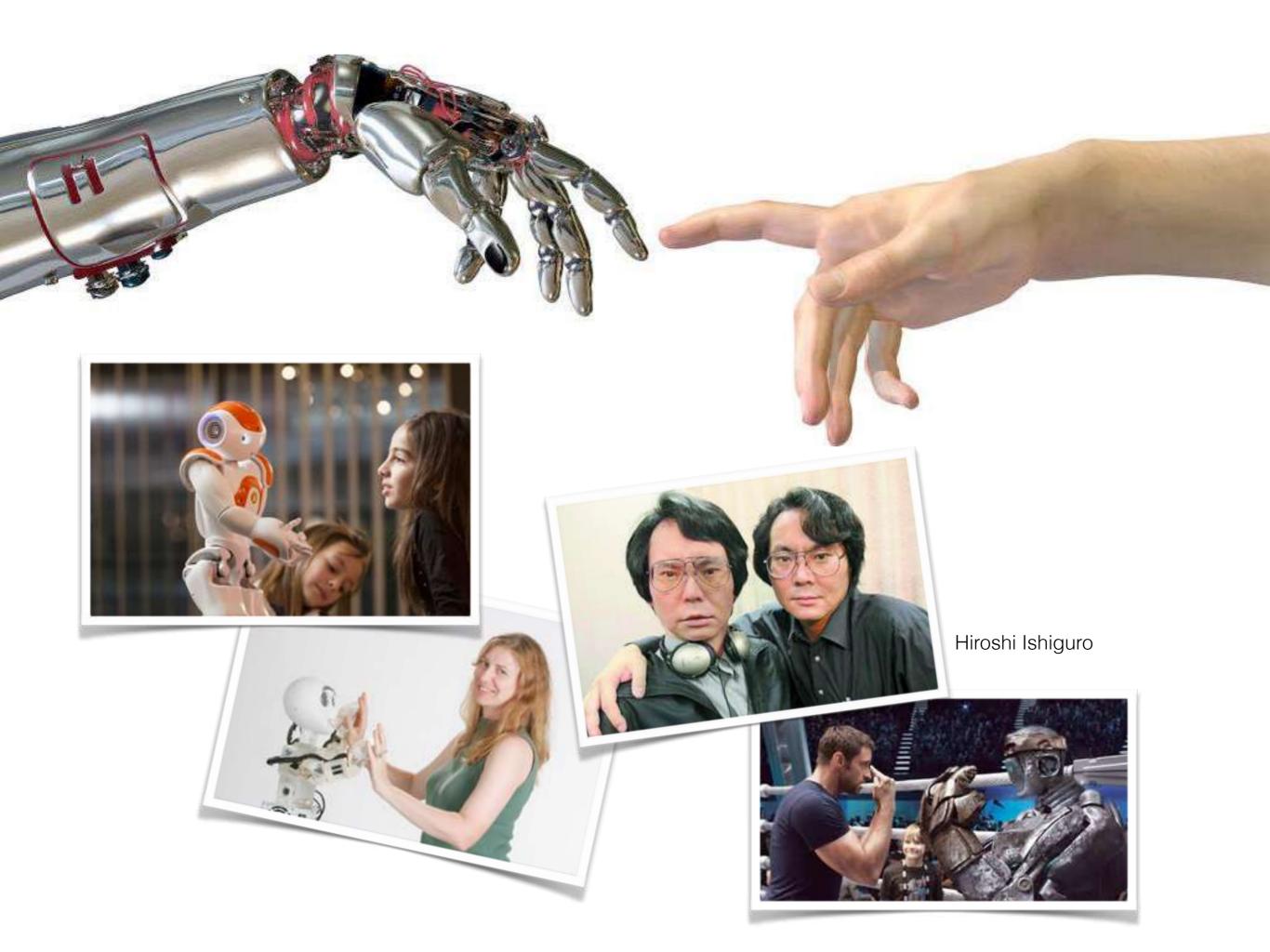
Geographical Information System (GIS) is a collection of computer hardware, software and geographic data used for capturing, managing, analyzing, and displaying geographic information.

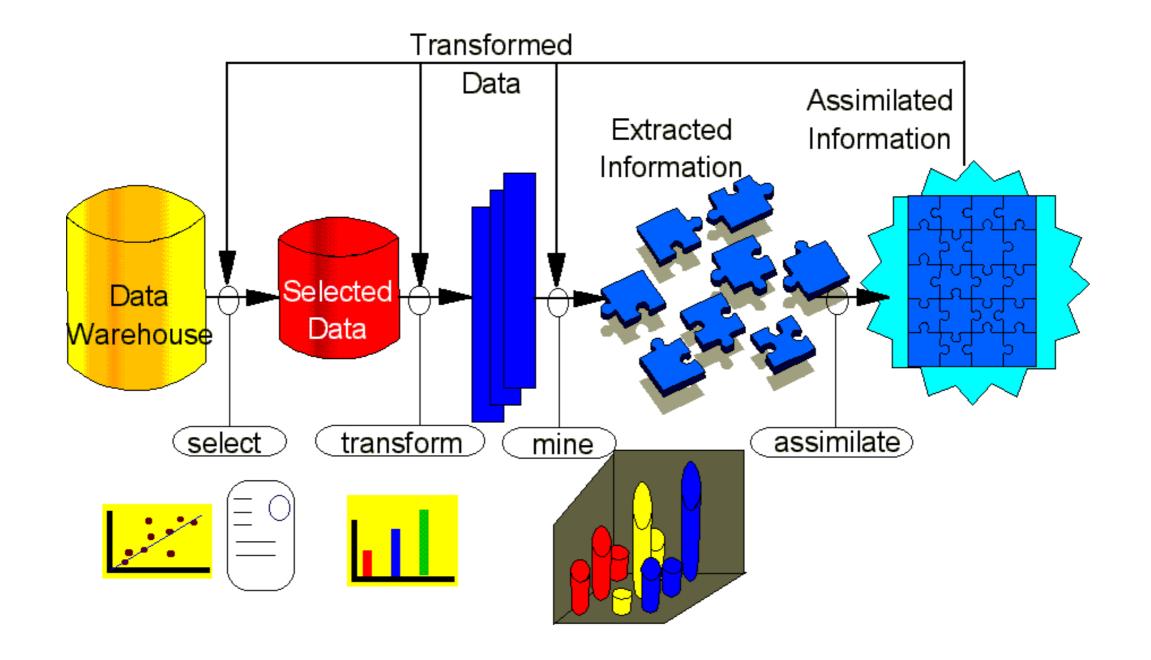




Human Robot Interaction

Human-robot interaction (HRI) is a study of interactions between people (users) and robots





Data Mining and Knowledge Discovery

Data mining is a process of extracting actionable information from large databases for decision making purpose.

BEST DATA MINING TECHNIQUES



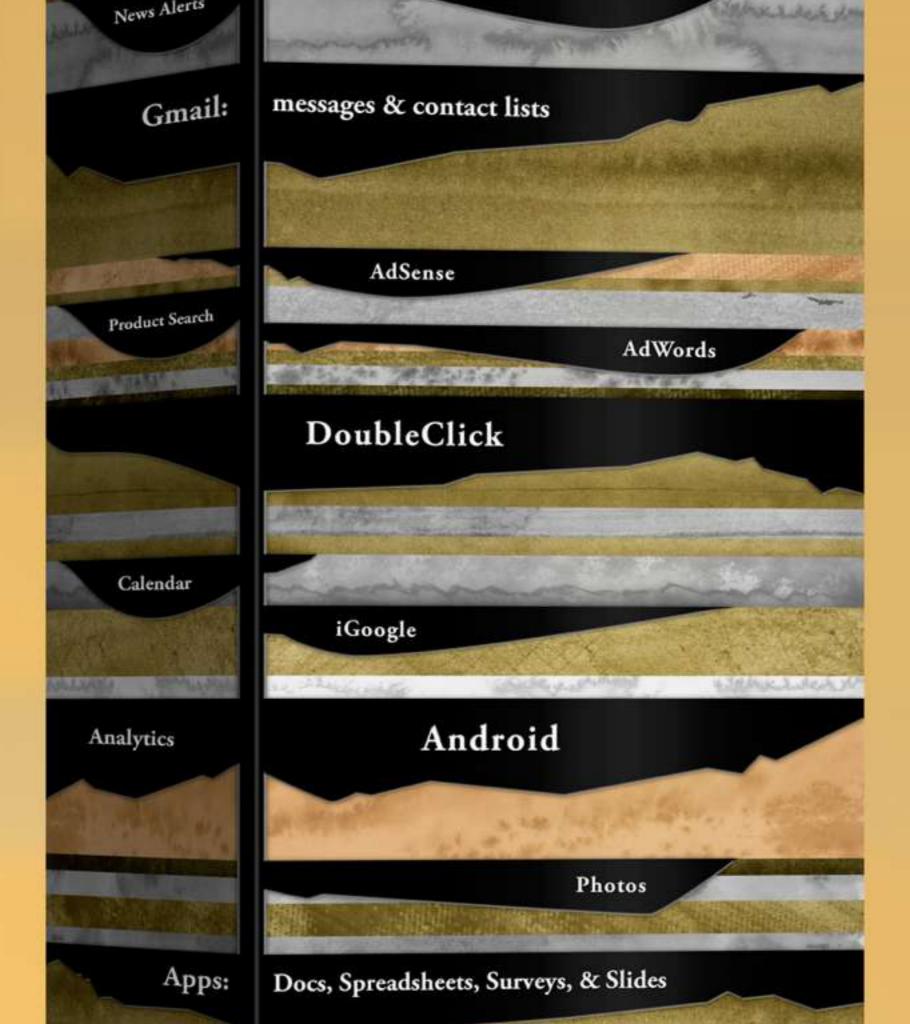
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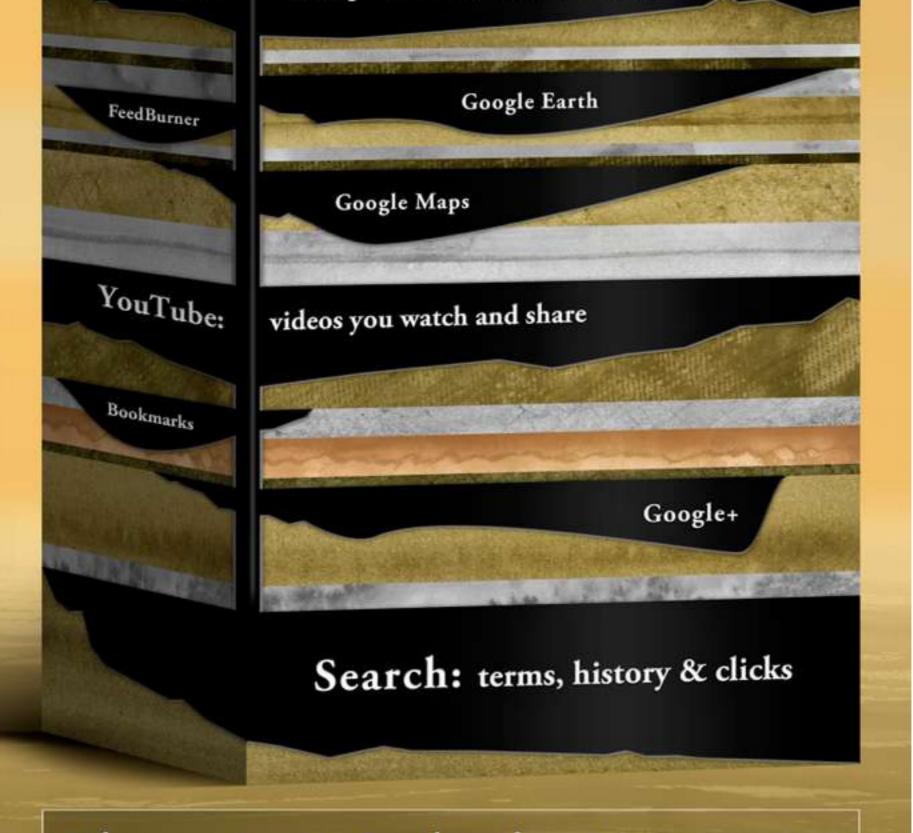
LOOK AT ALL THE DATA POINTS GOOGLE COULD CONNECT

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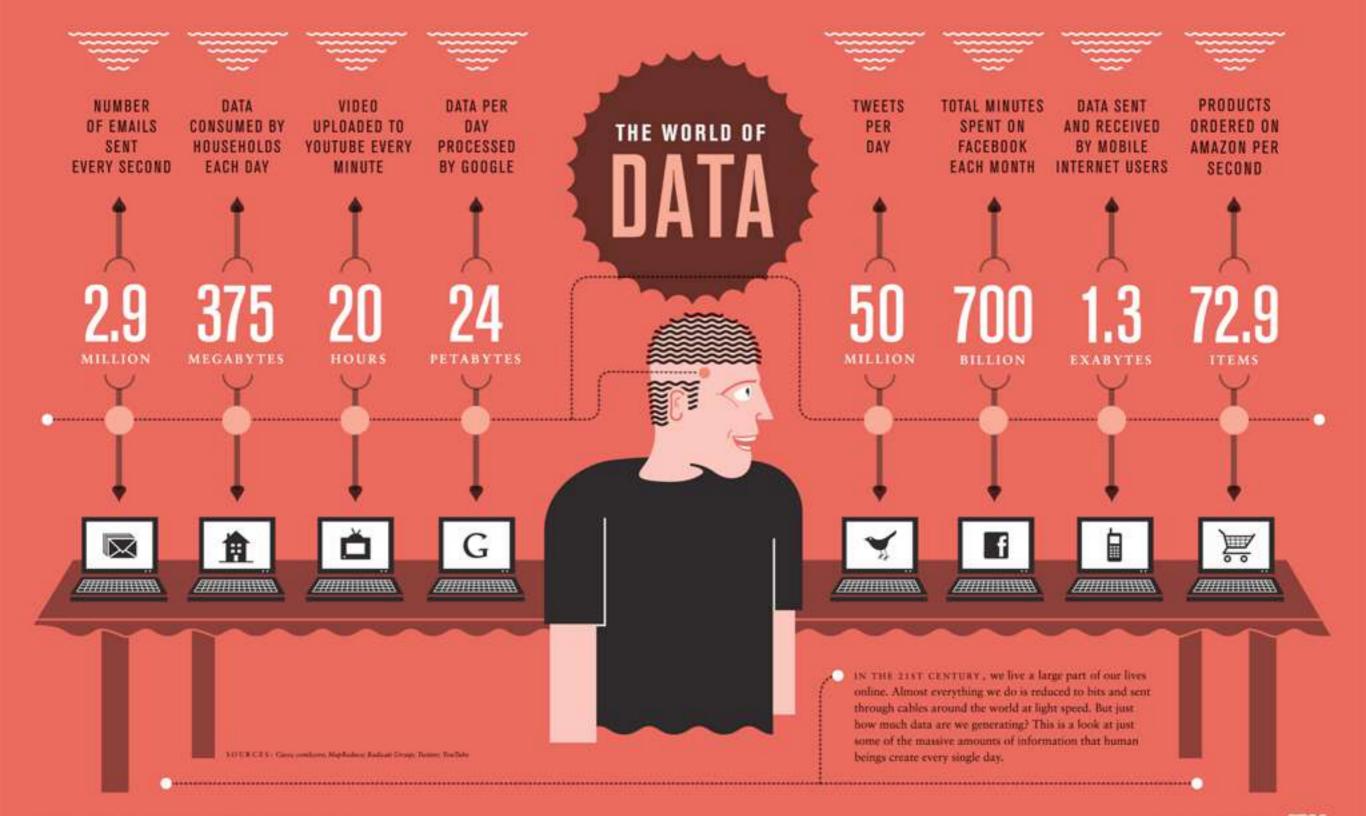
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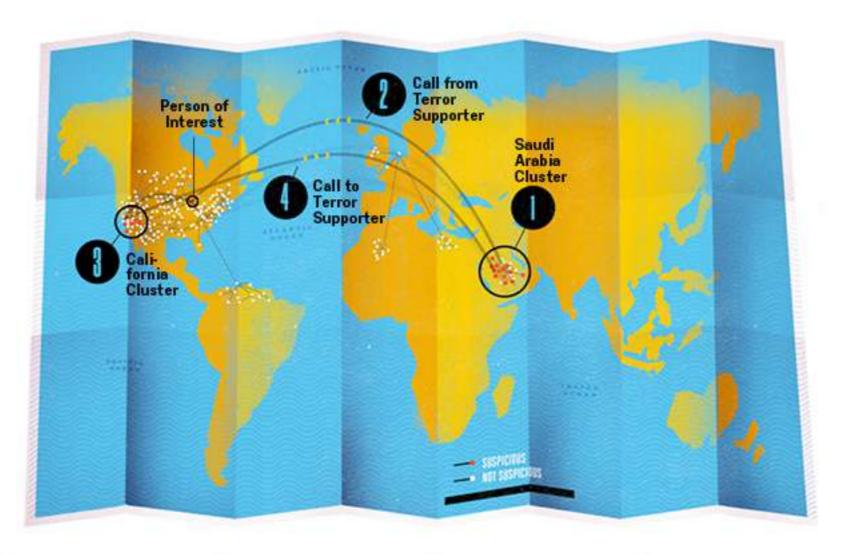
When you sign into Google and use its many services a wide range of data can be collected and correlated, a fact that was highlighted by the company's consolidation of more than 60 different privacy policies into one. Have you reviewed your privacy settings in Google recently?

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CONNECTING THE DOTS: PHONE-METADATA TRACKING

The NSA collects metadata from phone records, enabling it to identify terrorists without examining the calls' contents. Amid millions of calls, patterns can emerge, as our hypothetical scenario below demonstrates.



The phone records of a known terrorist supporter in Saudi Arabia form a cluster of possible accomplices. A call from the known terrorist supporter is made to a person of interest in the United States, a U.S. citizen. The phone metadata from the person of interest in the United States forms a cluster of associates in California. Phone records show one of the associates in the California cluster called someone in the Saudi Arabia cluster. The NSA alerts the FBI to the connection, enabling the agency to obtain a wiretap.



Visualization and Medical Imaging

Computer visualization concerned with presenting data to users to help users to explore the data and make use of it.

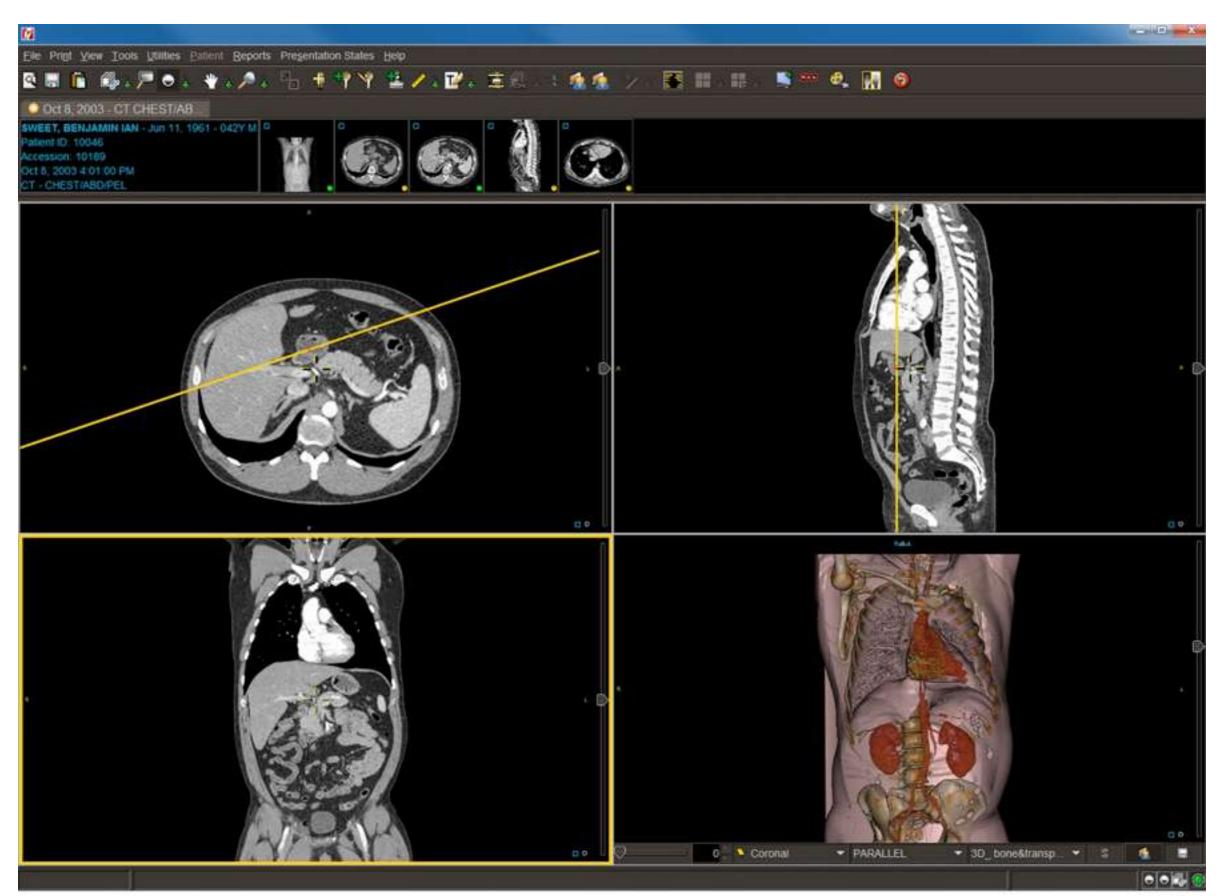
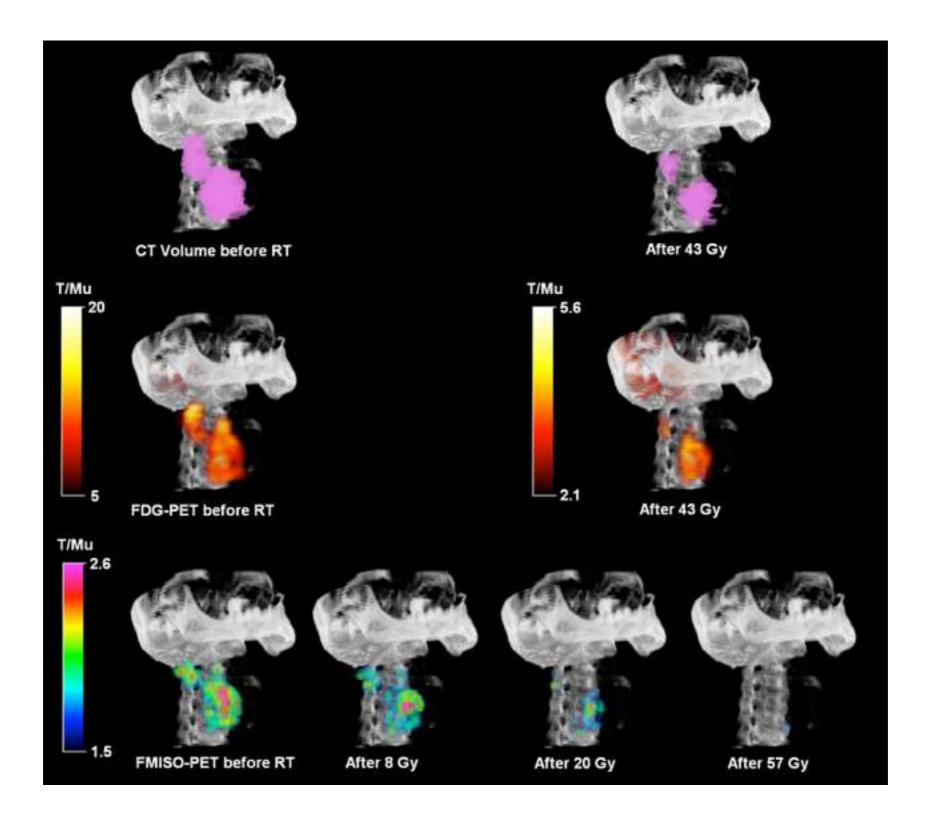
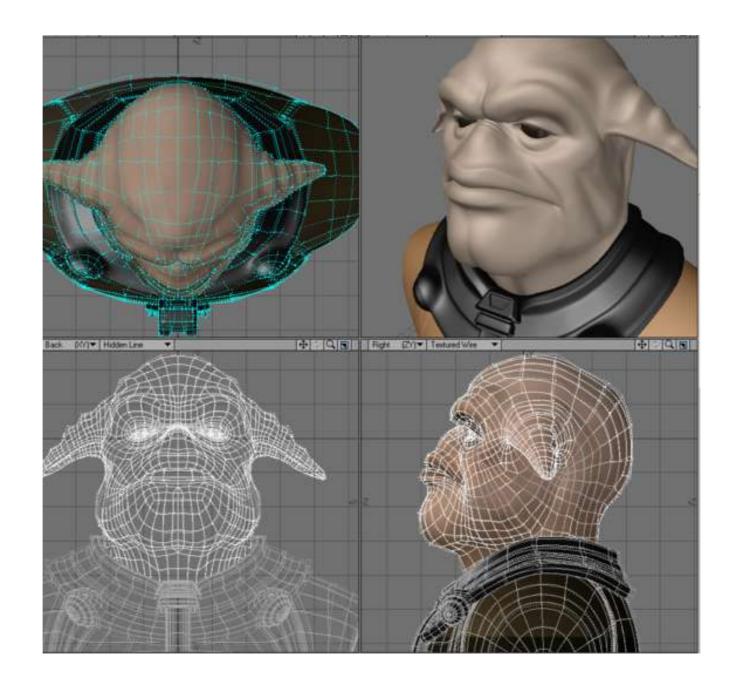


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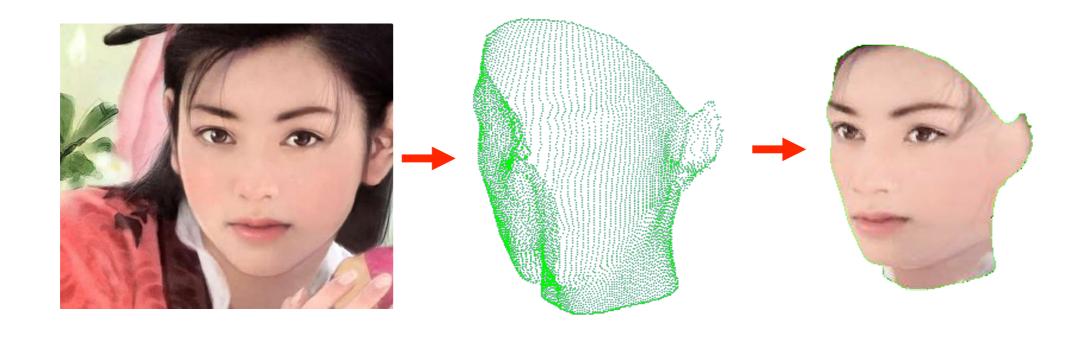


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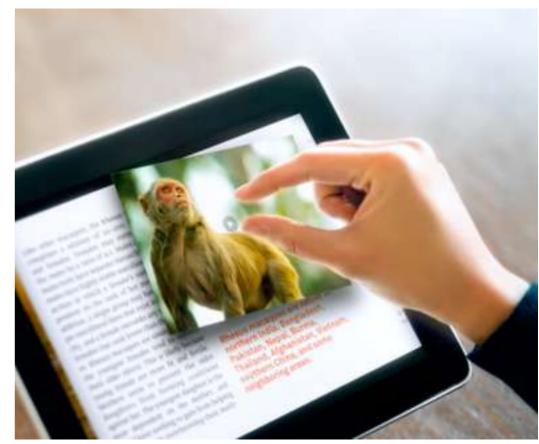
3D Modelling and Reconstruction

3D modelling is a process of developing a representation of 3D object to create a new model or design



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Interactive Book

Multimedia