

TRANSFORMATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES FOR THREE-DIMENSIONAL VISUALISATION (AND ANALYSIS)

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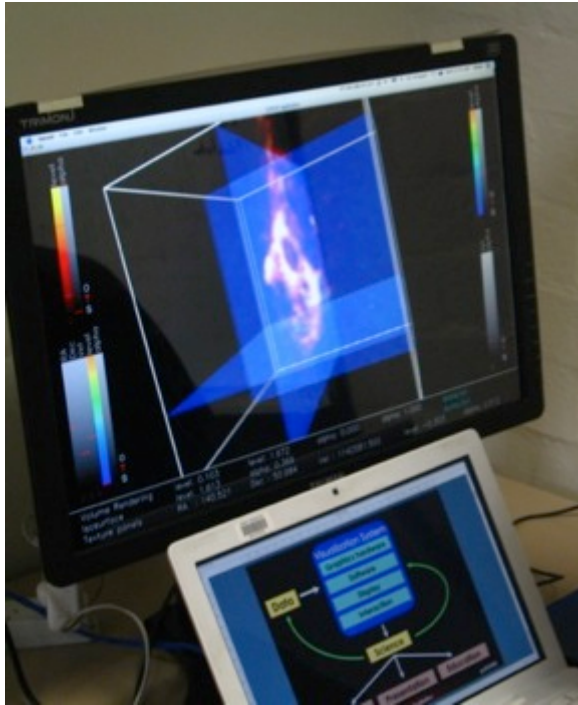


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- **Amr Hassan**
Swinburne University of Technology

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- Carlos De Breuck and the SOC for the invitation to speak



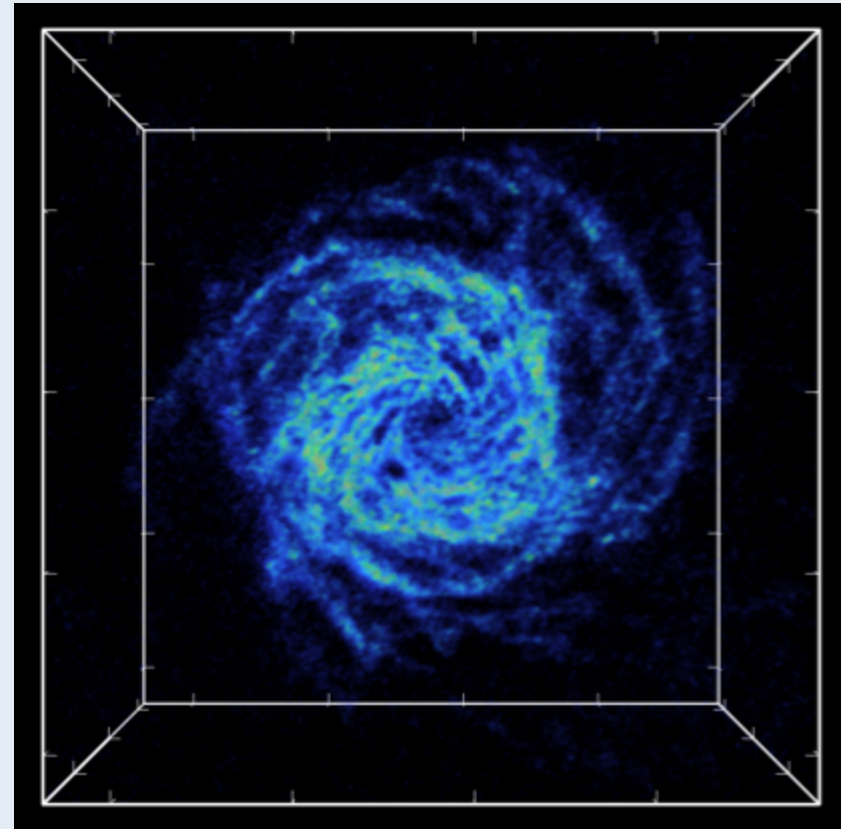
← Not to scale... ↗

Presents a serious **challenge** to
traditional **desktop-based**
visualisation and **analysis**

Three-dimensional Spectral Cube Visualisation



- **Qualitative – easy**
 - Look at data



NGC 628 in HI

Data: THINGS survey

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Vis: S2PLOT, Volume Render, 256x256x72 voxels

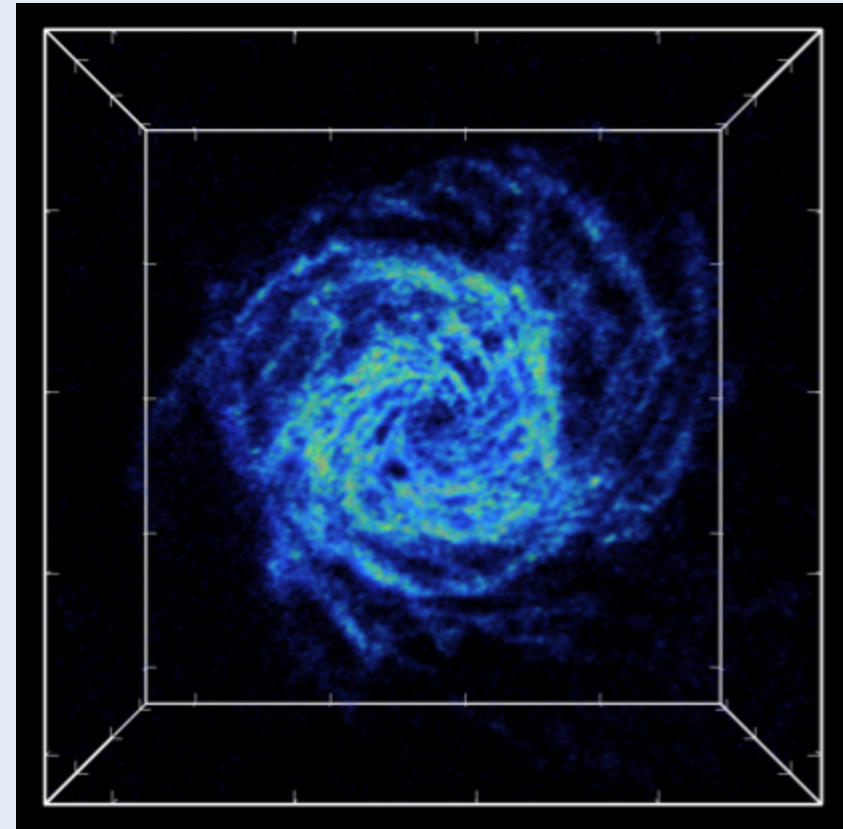
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Package	Rendering		Techniques
	2D	3D	
3D Slicer		•	Volume Rendering, Isosurface, and Label Map
AIPS++/CASA	•		Raster, 2D Contouring, and Vector
Amira	•	•	Most Volume, Surface, and Scatter Visualization
AstroMD	•	•	Scatter Plot, Isosurface, and Volume Rendering
DVR		•	Volume Rendering
Glnemo	•	•	3D Scatter Plot, and 2D Contouring
Glnemo2	•	•	3D Scatter Plot
GNUPlot	•	•	Scatter Plot
Hubble in a Bottle		•	Volume Rendering
IDL	•	•	Most Volume, Surface, and Scatter Visualization
IFRIT	•	•	Volume Rendering, Stream Tube, Isosurface, and 2D Contouring
Karma	•	•	Raster, Volume Rendering, and 2D Contouring
OpenDX	•	•	Most Volume, Surface, and Scatter Visualization
Osirix		•	Volume Rendering, and Isosurface
Paraview	•	•	Most Volume, Surface, and Scatter Visualization
PartiView	•	•	Scatter Plot
RVS	•		Raster, and 2D Contouring
S2Plot	•	•	Volume Rendering, Isosurface, Vector Map, and 2D Contouring
SPLASH		•	Volume Rendering, Vector Plot, and 2D Contouring
StarSplatter		•	Scatter Plot
TIPSY		•	Scatter Plot, and 2D Contouring
TopCat	•	•	Scatter Plot, and Line/Spherical Plot
VisIVO		•	Scatter Plot, Isosurface, Volume Rendering, and 2D Contouring
VOPlot3D	•	•	Scatter Plot, Surface Plot, and Histogram

Table 3. Hassan & Fluke (2011), PASA



NGC 628 in H I

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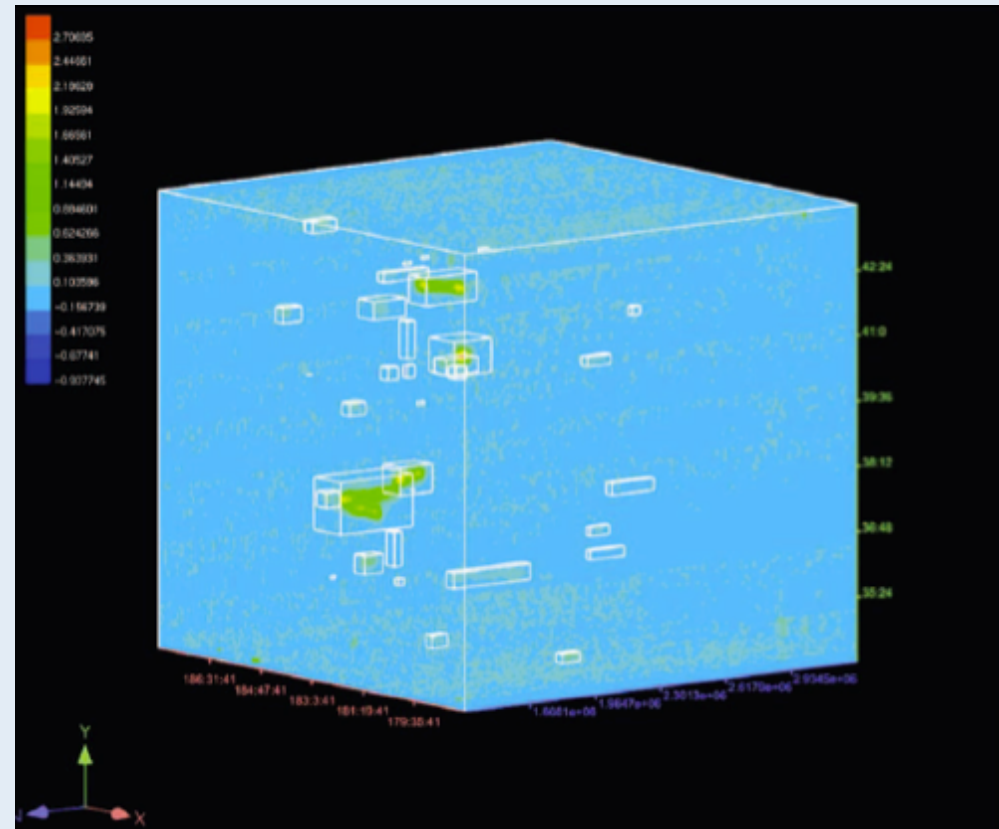
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 - Model + data

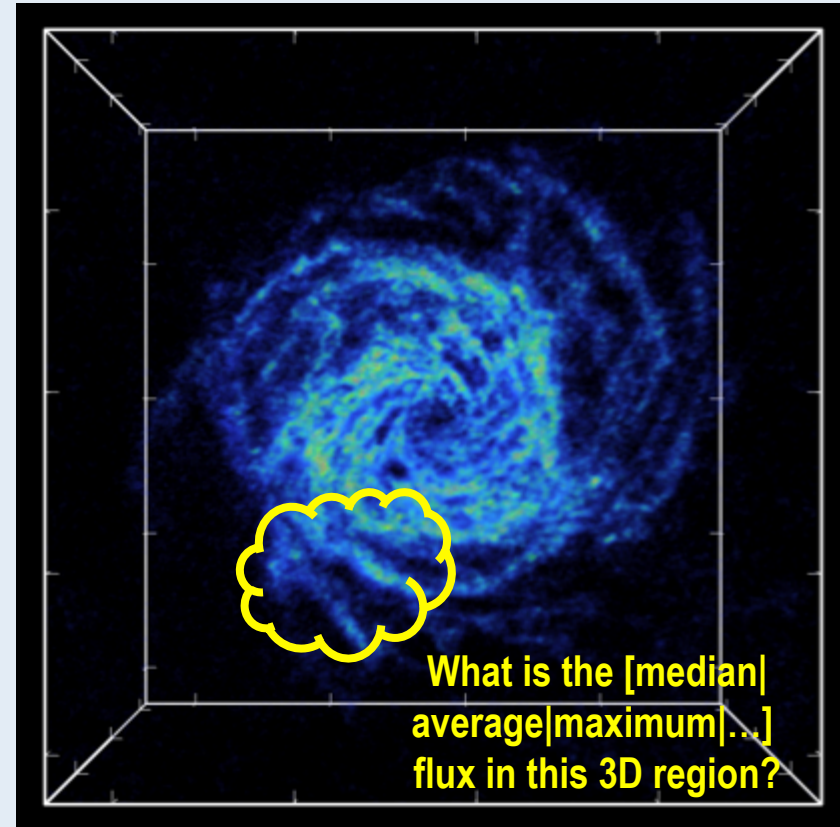


Duchamp source-finder catalogue
overlaid on volume rendering.
Data: Ursa Major galaxy cluster at 21cm (V.Kilborn)
Image: Hassan, Fluke, Barnes, 2011, ADASS XX

Three-dimensional Visualisation



- **Qualitative – easy**
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- **Comparative – harder**
 - Model + data
- **Quantitative – hardest**
 - Dynamic selection
 - Statistics
 - “Operators”



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Practical (hmm) 3D alternatives?



Credit: NASA

Spaceball

Wand

Transformational Technology #1: Leap Motion



For just \$79.99 USD you can track...



Leap Development Board V.05 courtesy Leap Motion Inc.
Hands courtesy Eleanor

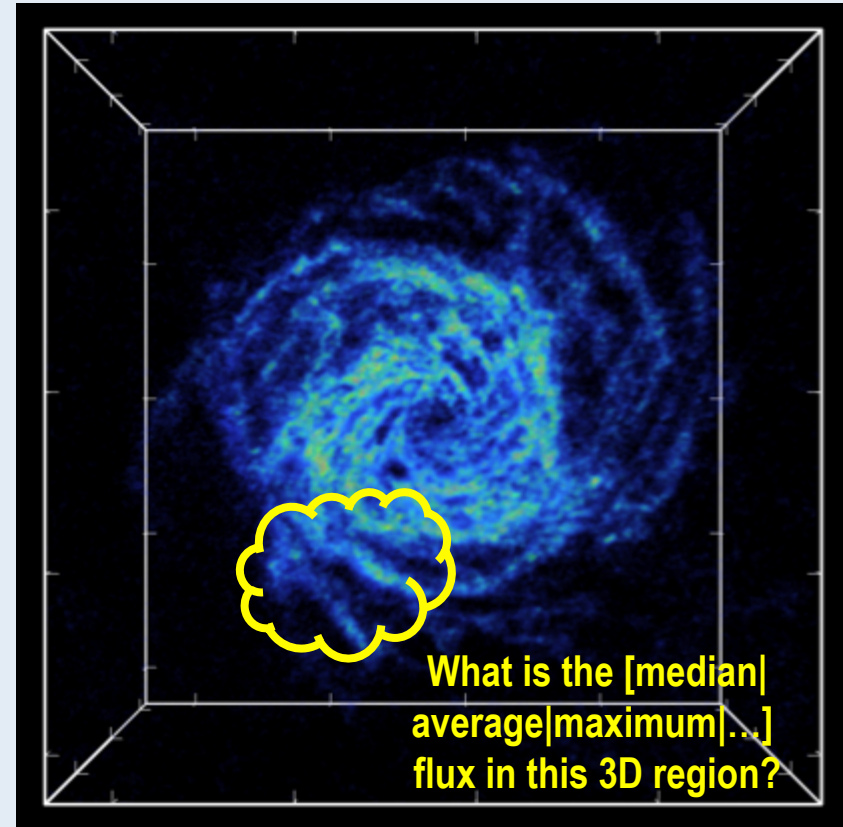
Transformational Technology #1: Leap Motion



Quantitative 3D Visualisation

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Opportunity to
understand/support
this mode



What is the [median]
average|maximum|...]
flux in this 3D region?

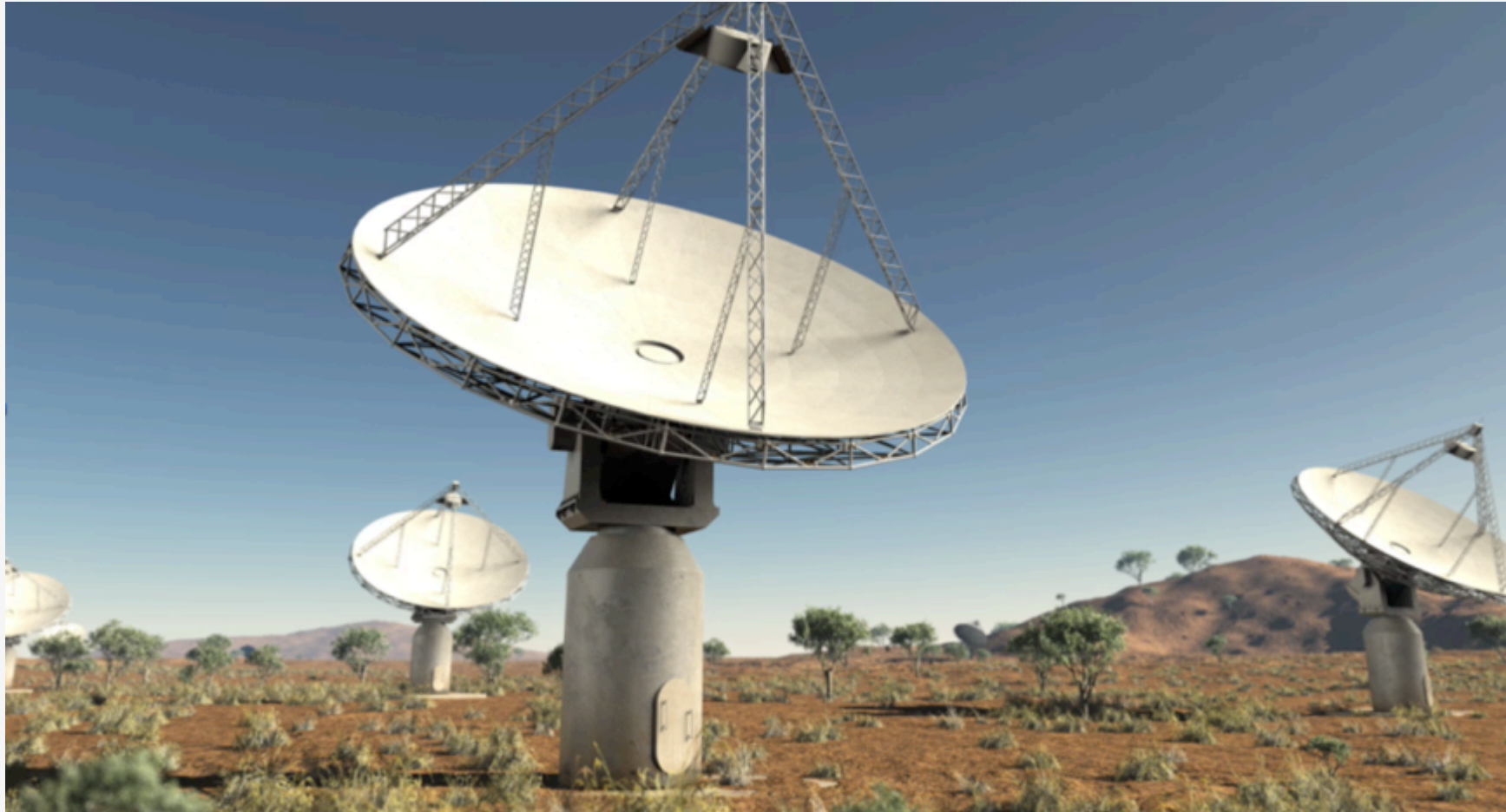
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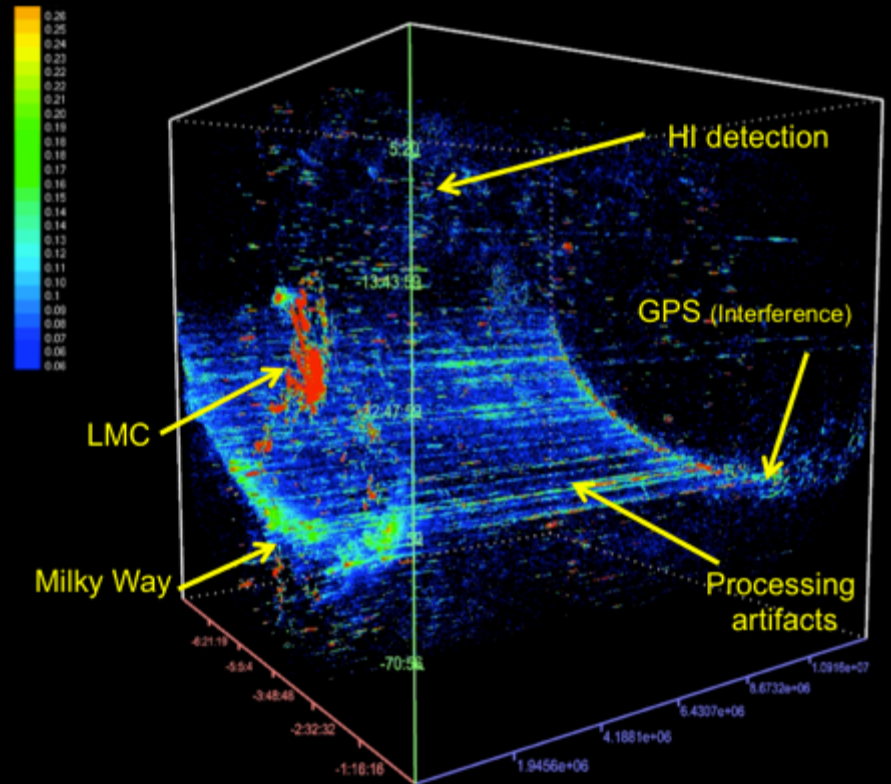
Case Study: Real-time, interactive terascale visualisation



Credit: Swinburne Astronomy Productions

WALLABY: The ASKAP H I All-Sky Survey

B.Koribalski (ATNF), L.Staveley-Smith (ICRAR) + 100 others...



387 HIPASS cubes
1721 x 1721 x 1024 = 12GB

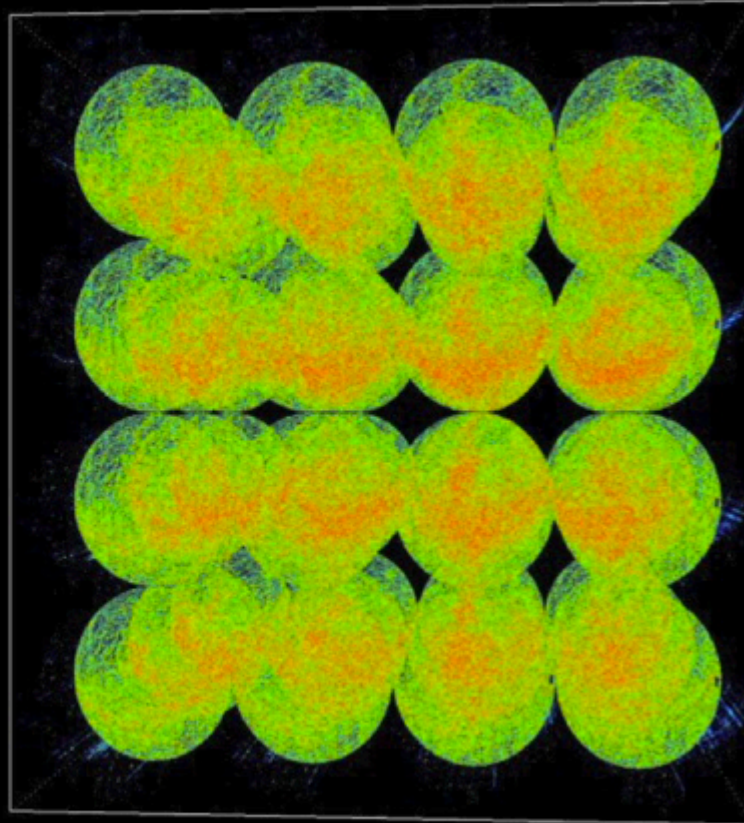
Data: Russell Jurek (ATNF)/HIPASS
Vis: Amir Hassan

- Redshifted 21-cm HI
- 75% of sky covered
- $z = 0.26 \sim 3$ Gyr look-back
- ~ 0.5 million new galaxies

Potential data products
4096 x 4096 x 16384 channels
 ~ 1 TB per cube
[x1200 cubes]

Can we support real-time, interactive *visualisation*
and *data analysis*?

Yes we can!



48 x HIPASS

- 4 x 4 x 3
- 6884 x 6884 x 3072
- **542.33 GB**
- **5-10 frames/second**
- Hassan et al. (2013)

gSTAR

- Graphics Processing Unit Supercomputer

Courtesy A.Hassan

Transformation Technology #2: GPU



Massively parallel

Programmable*

Computational co-processors

Providing 10x-100x speed-ups

For many scientific problems

At low cost (TFLOP/\$)

(But you can't use existing code)

NVIDIA Kepler K40

SP: 4.29 TFLOP/s

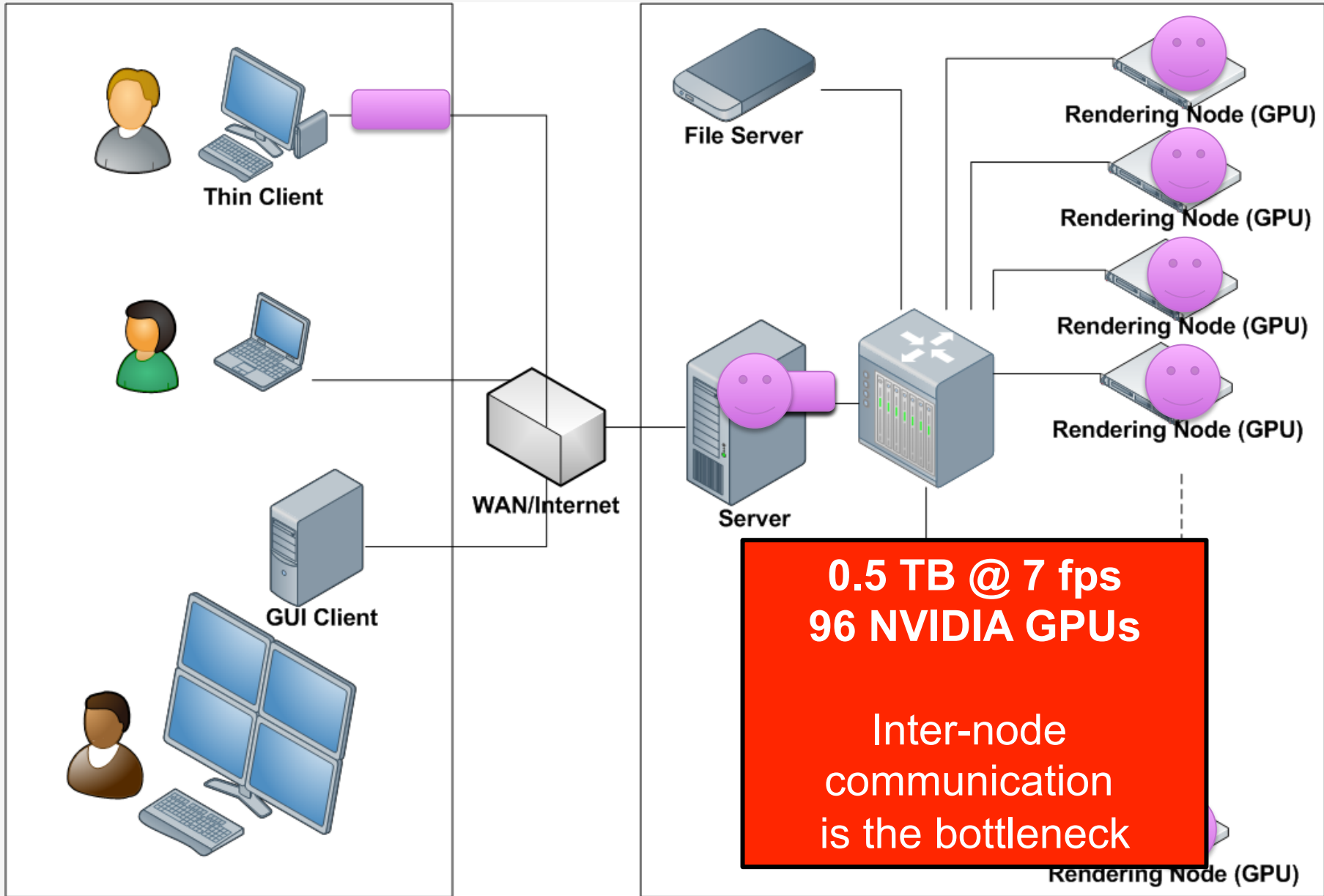
DP: 1.43 TFLOP/s

AMD FirePro W9000

SP: 4.0 TFLOP/s

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[* CUDA, OpenCL, PyCUDA, Thrust,
OpenACC, CUFFT, cuBLAS]



Possible Remote Clients Configuration

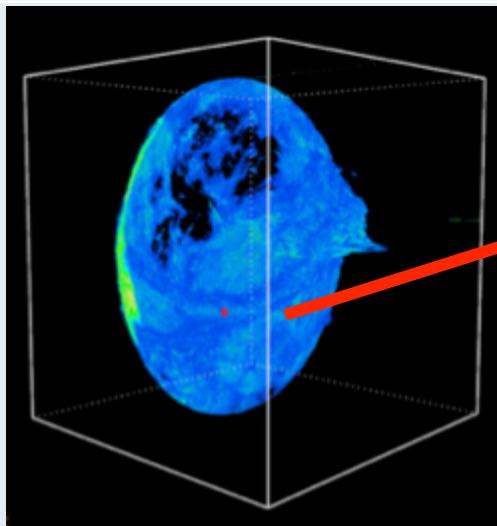
Rendering Cluster

For details see: Hassan et al. (2011), NewA and Hassan et al. (2012), PASA

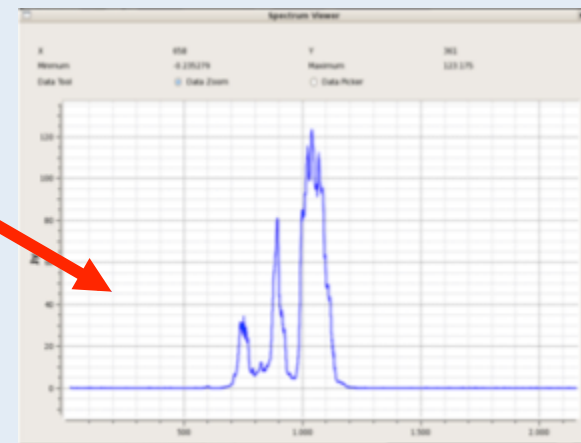
Analysing **0.5 Tbyte** (on 96 GPUs)



Task	Description	Time
Histogram	Visit each data point once	~4 sec
Global mean and standard deviation	Summarizing whole dataset into single value(s)	~2 sec
Global median	Multiple iterations to convergence (Torben's method)	~45 sec
3D spectrum tool	Quantitative data interaction: click for spectrum	20 msec

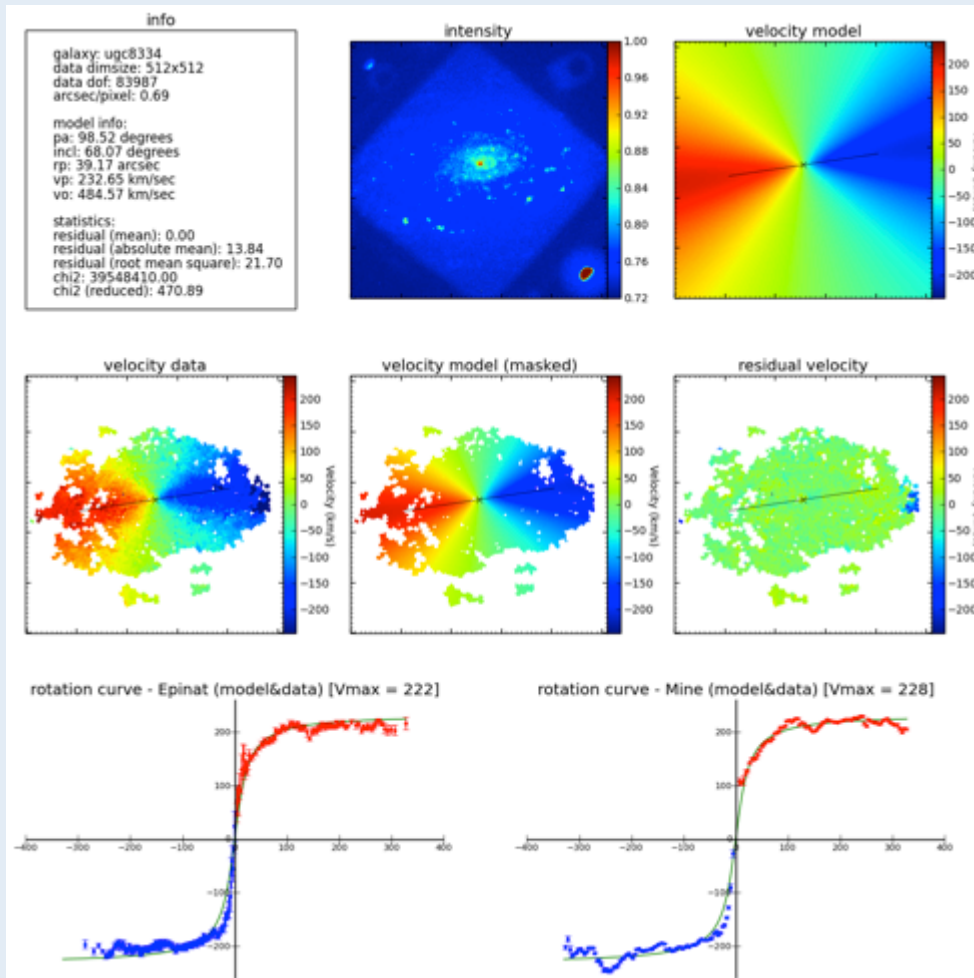


**Interactive
3D
quantitative
visualisation**

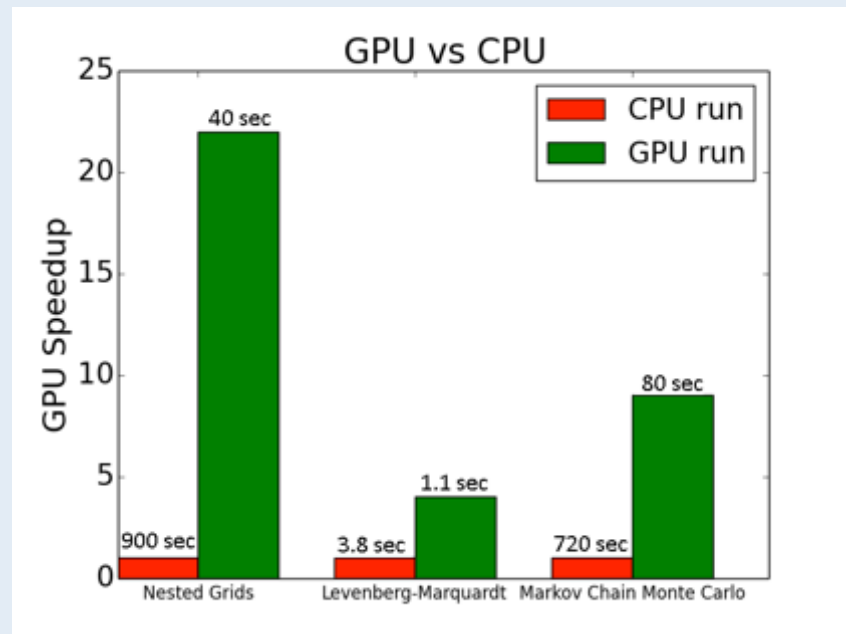


Data: GASS (N.McClure-Griffiths; ATNF)

GPU-accelerated kinematic model fitting



George Bekiaris
(+ Karl Glazebrook, Bob Abraham)



Gassendi H α survey of SPirals (GHASP)
Epinat et al. 2008a,2008b

What do you get if you cross
a **GPU supercomputer**
with a high-end, **immersive**
visualisation environment?

Transformation Technology #3: CAVE2@Monash

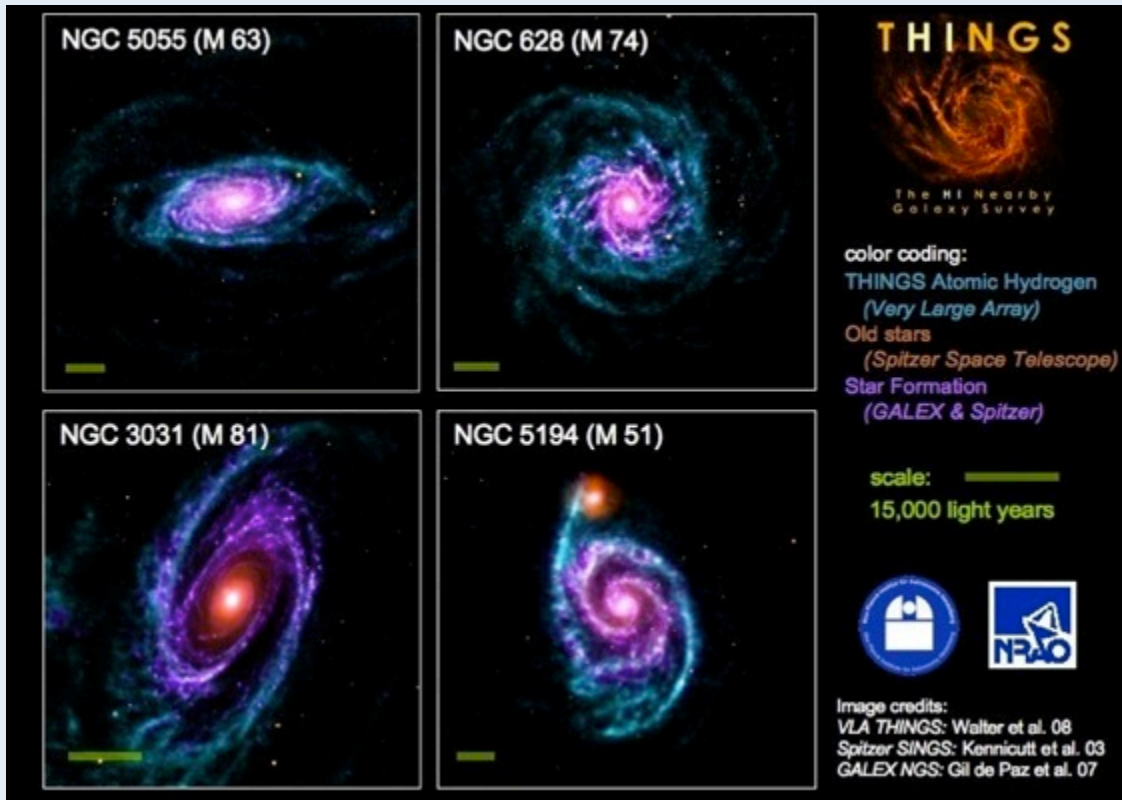


27320 x 3072 pixels = 84 Mpixels
Graphics power: 80 TFLOP/s
Stereo 3D/head tracking; Ring diameter ~8m; Ring coverage ~320 degrees

Image: Monash University

CAVE2 = 80 individual stereoscopic panels

Use the CAVE2 to look at lots of **THINGS** at one time...



The HI Nearby Galaxy Survey

- 7" angular and 5 km/s velocity resolution
- 34 objects
- $3 < D < 15$ Mpc
- Walter, F. et al. 2008, AJ, 136, 2563

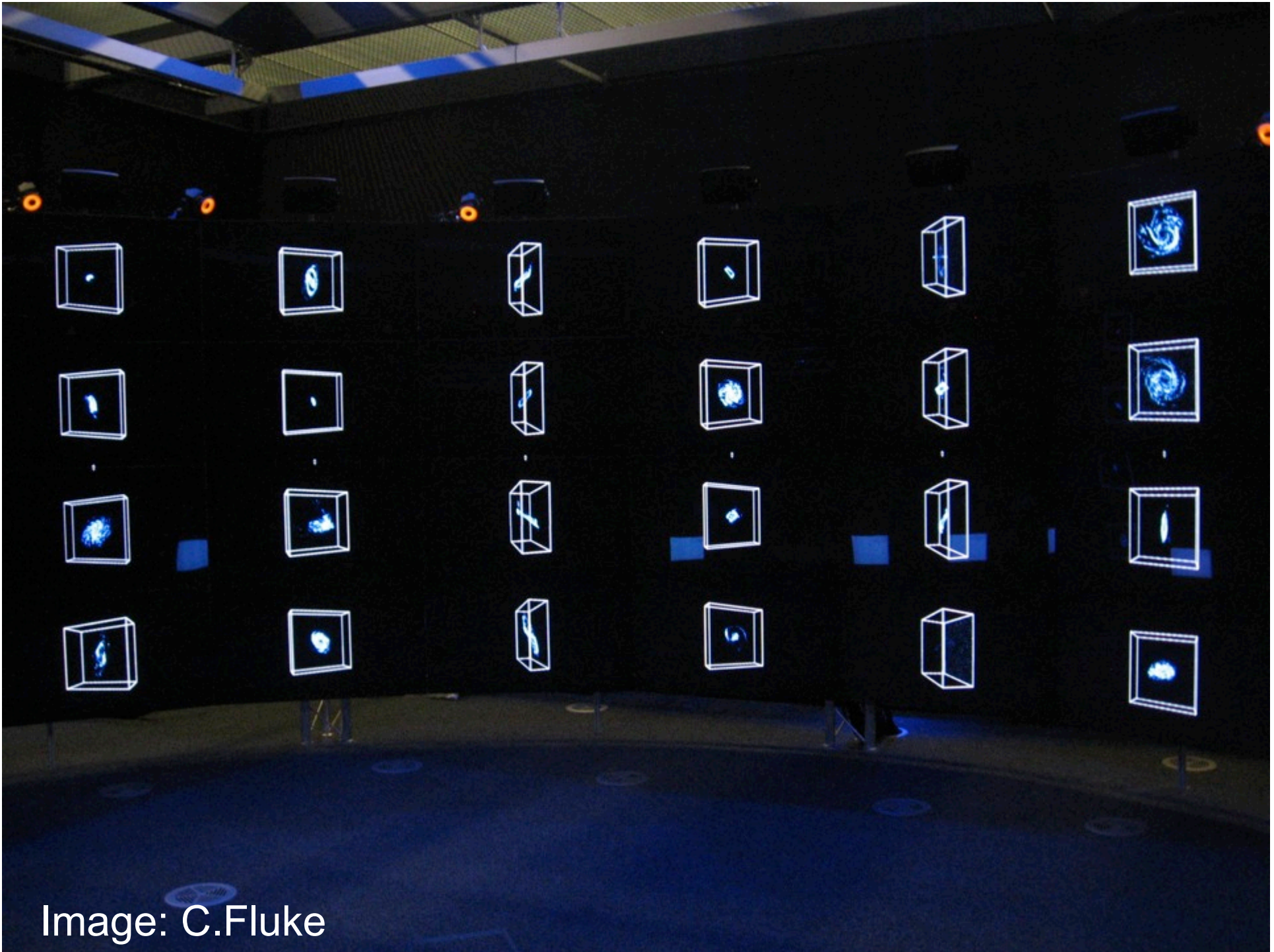


Image: C.Fluke

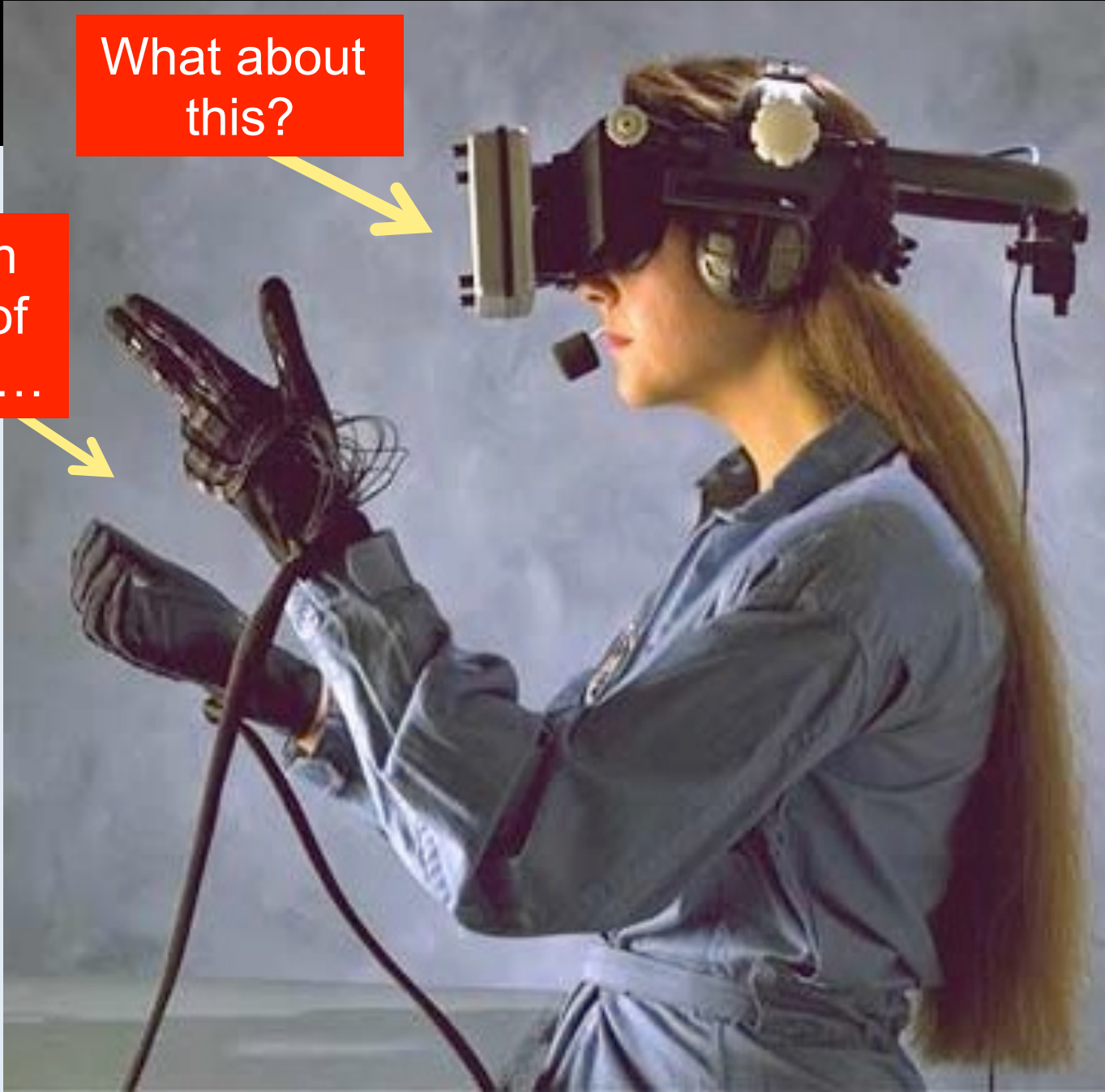
**We can't all get
to the CAVE2.**

**Can we bring that
experience to the
desktop?**



What about this?

Taken care of these...

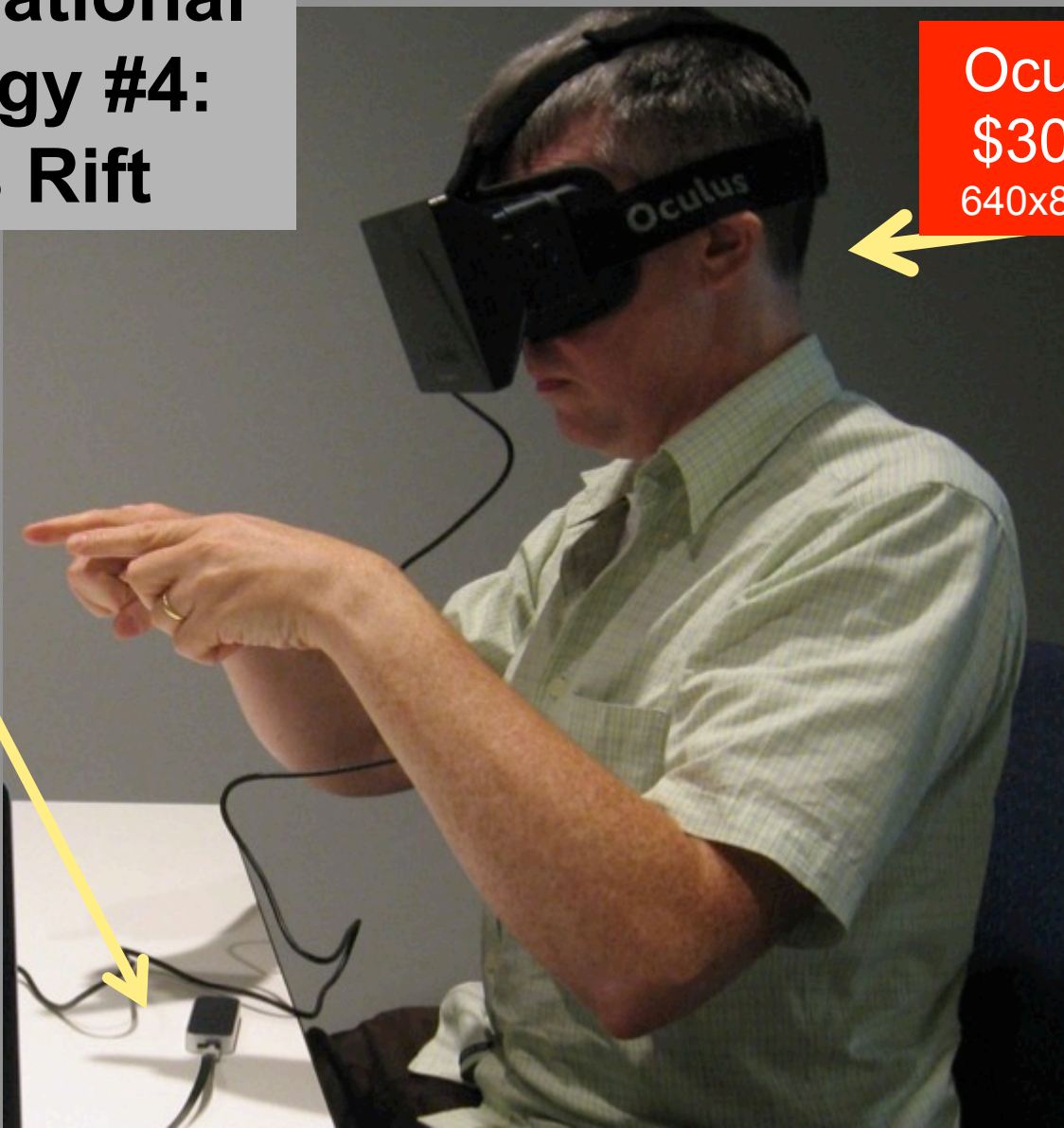




Transformational Technology #4: Oculus Rift

Oculus Rift
\$300 USD
640x800 per eye

Leap
Motion



The **volume** of **data** from **spectral**
cube surveys is on the **rise**

Number of spectral data cubes
Size of individual data cubes

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Transformational technologies
allow us to explore the **non-traditional**



Leap Motion

Graphics Processing Unit

Oculus Rift

CAVE2

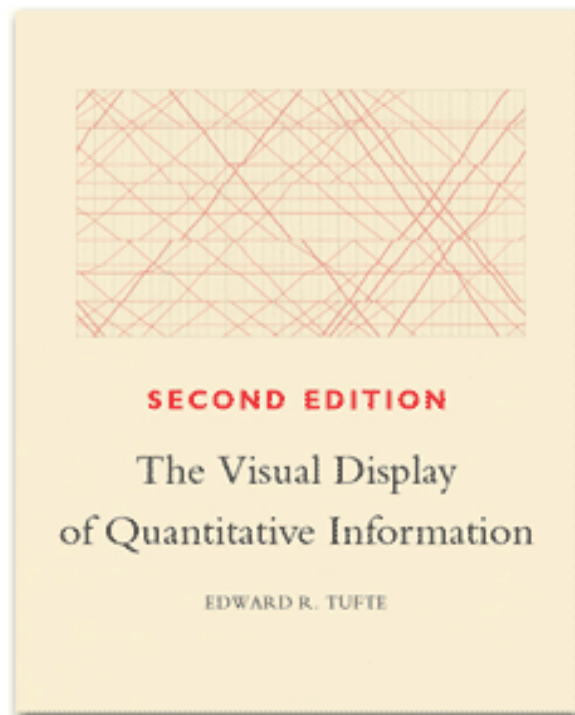
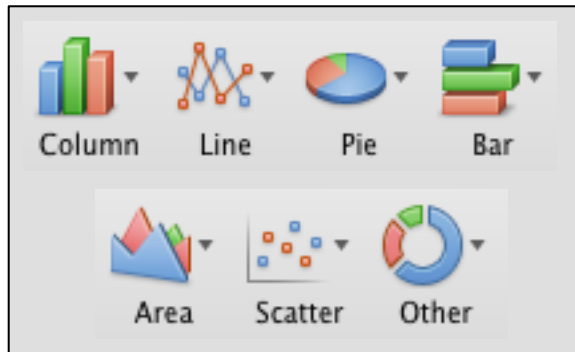
Transformational Technologies

They don't show us how we should work (just yet)
Show us how we might work

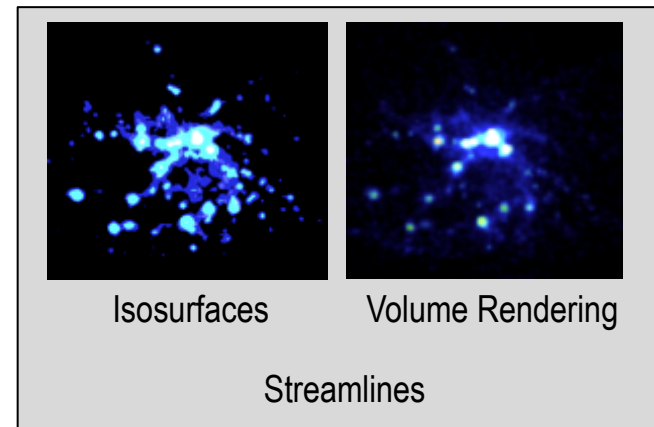
Visualisation Software:

- S2PLOT: Oculus Rift, Standard Desktop, 3D Desktop, Large-format 3D projection, CAVE2, Leap Motion
<http://astronomy.swin.edu.au/s2plot>
[Askme about 3D publication...]

If I have 2D data,
I should plot it in 2D



If I have 3D data,
I should plot it in 3D



“Behind”

“Inside”

Static vs Dynamic

- Motion parallax
- Interactive, camera control
- Toggling of components

The Process – Commercial license solution (2008)



What goes on in your office

S2PLOT
(VRML output)

Adobe Acrobat 3D
Windows license

or

Adobe Acrobat 10 Pro
Tetra4D 3D PDF plug-in
Windows license

Barnes & Fluke (2008), NewA

What you publish

Adobe Reader
Version 8.0 or higher

S2PLOT

- Free, open source software (V3.2.1)
- Powerful programming interface
- C/C++/Fortran (Python)

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S2PLOT
(PRC output)

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Movie9 or Movie15 style
libHaru PDF library
Adobe 3D JavaScript
Asymptote: the Vector Graphics
Language

Barnes et al. (2013), PloS ONE

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