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Tensor: Glyphs, Traces, Surfaces, Etc.

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Preview Videos

- Vis2006: [nlsglyph.mov](#)
– Tensor glyph design
- [Stress Tensor visualization for implant](#)

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Tensor Fields

- One view: Mapping of input vectors to output vectors
 - Stress (x,y,z) to strain (x,y,z) : force to deformation
- Another view: NxN matrix for N-space (3x3 for 3-space)
- Subset: Symmetric second-order tensor fields
 - Can be viewed as anisotropic ellipsoids
 - Three orthogonal Eigenvectors show directions
 - Associated Eigenvalues tell how much expansion/contraction along each vector
 - Largest “major” Eigenvalue, then middle and smallest “minor”
- Subset: Rotation fields
 - Spin at each location in space

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Tensor Questions

- Is the tensor anisotropic in a specific area?
- Where is the tensor sheet-like, cigar-like?
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Classes of Techniques

- Glyphs
- Stream Indicators
- Hue and texture
- Deformed Surfaces
- Computer finds traces, visualization shows
- Techniques to show rotation fields
- Haptic display

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Glyphs: Flow Probe

- Velocity gradient tensor
- Shear and Divergence form parts of the deformation rate tensor
- Willem de Leeuw thesis

calculate velocity gradient

→ J

transform to local frame

→ $\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{pmatrix}$

parallel to flow

→ $\begin{pmatrix} a & s & s \\ c & t & t \\ c & t & t \end{pmatrix}$

perpendicular to flow

→ $\begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ c & t & t \\ c & t & t \end{pmatrix}$

Acceleration

Shear

Curvature

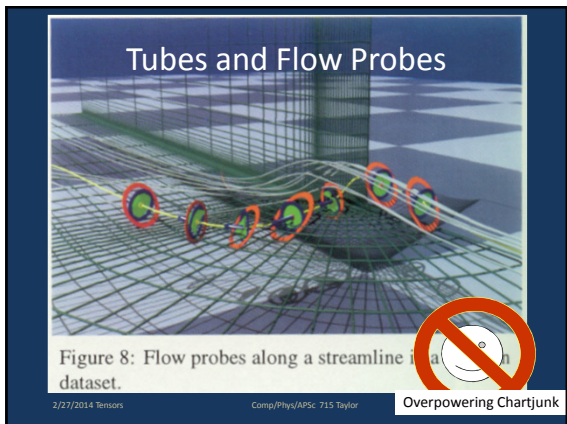
Torsion/Rot

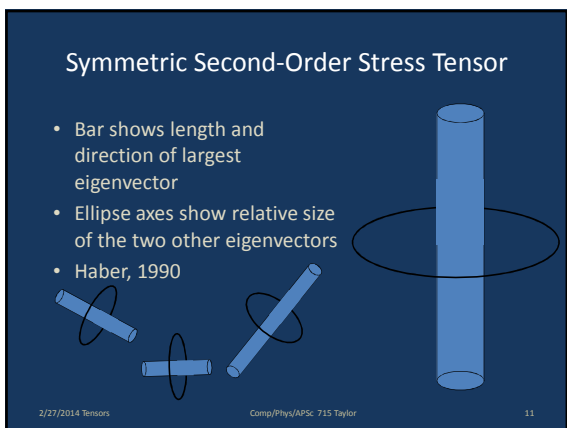
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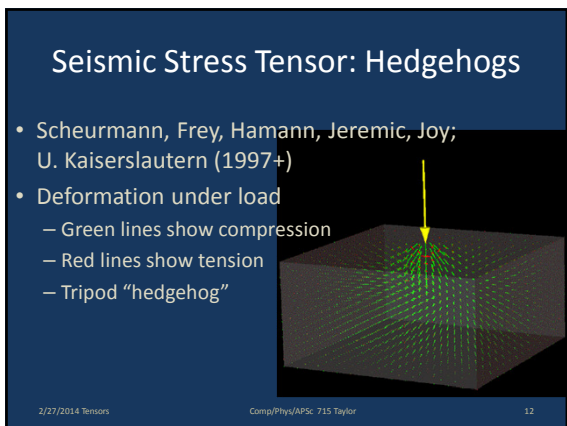
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Two-stroke Engine, Tornado

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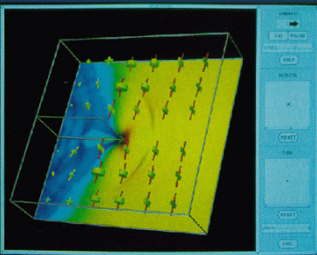






Other Hedgehogs

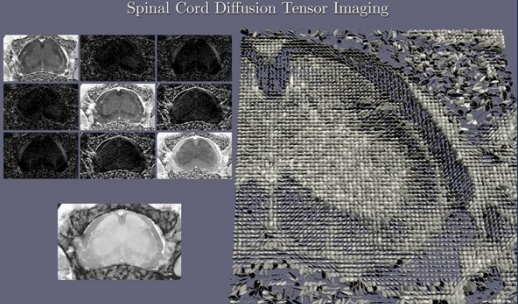
- Solid cylinder surrounds the principal cylinder
- Cheng, Koh, Lee, Vidal, & Haber
 - UIUC
- Chall, Idaszak, & Baker
 - NCSA
- Vis 1990



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Second-Order Diffusion Tensor Mapped to Ellipses


Spinal Cord Diffusion Tensor Imaging



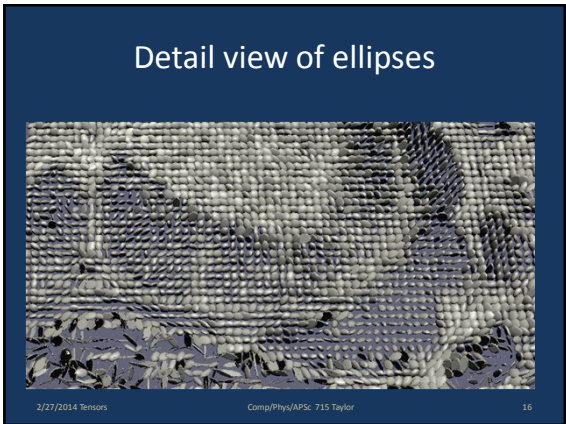
c Caltech, Ahrens, Laidlaw, Roudhead, Brosmann, Jacobs

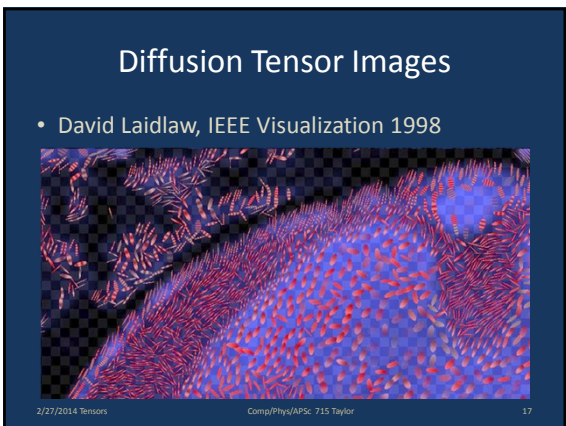
Second-Order Diffusion

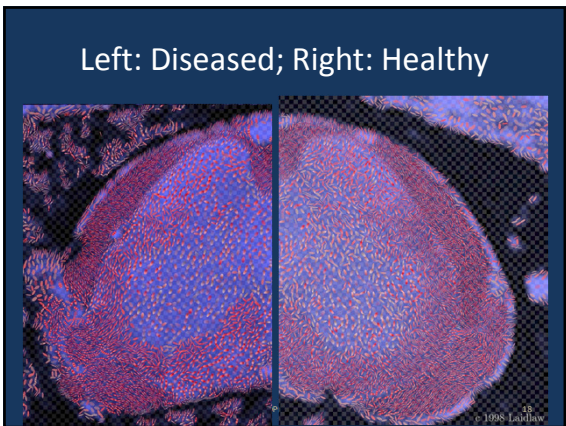
- Diffusion within mouse spinal-chord tissues
 - Anisotropic rate of diffusion in three dimensions
 - Three orthogonal eigenvectors in 3D
 - Non-negative eigenvalues
- Visualized as ellipsoid where liquid would spread
 - From a single starting point
 - At different rates along different eigenvectors
- Features
 - Matrix values at every point in space
 - Spheres represent isotropic diffusion
 - Larger ellipsoids represent faster diffusion



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Deformation Rate Tensor

- Rate-of-Strain Tensor



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Other Iconic/Glyph Techniques

- Post, Walsum, Post; Delft: Silver; Rutgers




Figure 4: Example icons: four ellipsoid icons, an average velocity arrow with velocity distribution ellipsoid, an interpolated tube through five positions, a velocity gradient probe, and an 18 parameter 3D Chernoff face.

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Superellipsoids for Real Symmetric Traceless Tensors

- T.J. Jankun-Kelly, Vis 2006

(a) Uniaxial (b) Biaxial

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Superellipsoids for Real Symmetric Traceless Tensors

- T.J. Jankun-Kelly, Vis 2006
- Nematic Liquid-Crystal states drive glyph form

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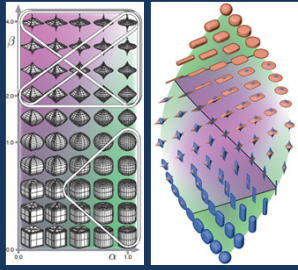
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Superquadric Glyphs for Symmetric Second-Order Tensors

- Thomas Schulz, Gordon Kindlemann; TVCG 2010

Subsets of superquadric shapes are selected to form the base shapes.

Coloration distinguishes geometrically-similar glyphs from different regions.

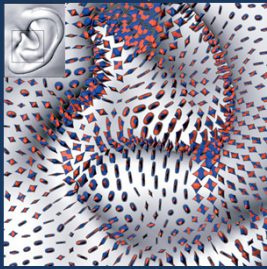


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Technique applied to the Hessian of the Laplacian zero-crossings describing the surface geometry of an earlobe



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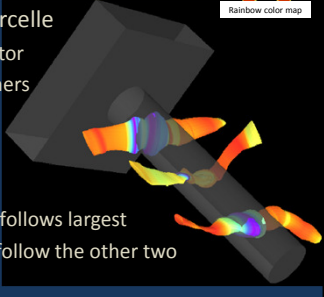
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Stream Indicators: Seismic Stress Tensor: Hyperstreamlines

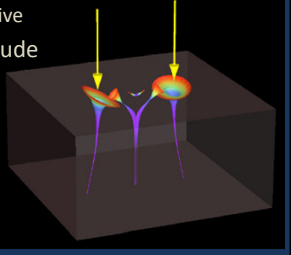
- Technique by Delmarcelle
 - Tube along eigenvector
 - Widths based on others
- Can follow any
 - Major (shown here) follows largest
 - Medium and minor follow the other two



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Seismic Stress Tensor: Hyperstreamlines

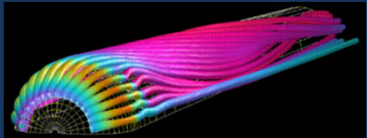
- Minor Hyperstreamlines for 2-point load
 - Compression is negative
- Hue based on magnitude



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Momentum Flux Density Tensor

- Flow past a hemispherical cylinder
- Shows flow along major eigenvector
- Colored by difference in major eigenvalue compared to the other two



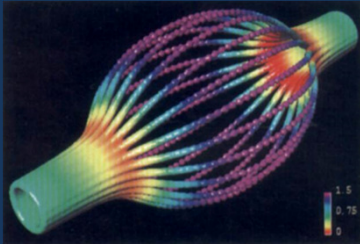
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Streamballs Simplest




Rainbow color map

- Can advect along eigenvector like hyperstreamline
- Color similarly
- Brill, et. al.




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Streamballs Variety



Rainbow color map

- Can change connectivity, color, texture, microgeometry
- Brill, et. al.



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Stream Indicators: What are they good for?


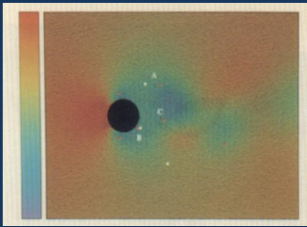
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Hue and Texture: Symmetric, Second-Order Tensor Fields


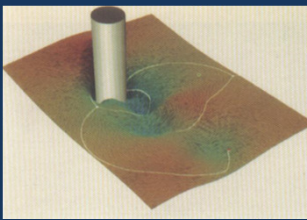
- Delmarcelle & Hesselink
- Vector flow by texture
- Hue by magnitude of largest compressive eigenvector
- Dots show degenerate points (>1 eigenvector parallel)



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Symmetric, Second-Order Tensor Fields

- Delmarcelle & Hesselink
- Vector flow by texture
- Hue by magnitude of largest compressive eigenvector
- Dots show degenerate points (>1 eigenvector parallel)
- Lines separate field into topological regions

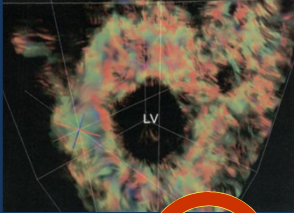


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Strain-Rate Tensor

- Sigfridsson, Ebbers, Heiberg, & Wigstrom, Vis 2002.


Noise blurred by eigenvalue
 Larger values blur more
 Relative values only (normalized)
 $L1 > L2 > L3$
 Color by degree of anisotropy
 $R = (L1 - L2) / L1$ (Linear)
 $G = (L2 - L3) / L1$ (Planar)
 $B = L3 / L1$ (Isotropic)
 Glyph shows zoom-in to planar region



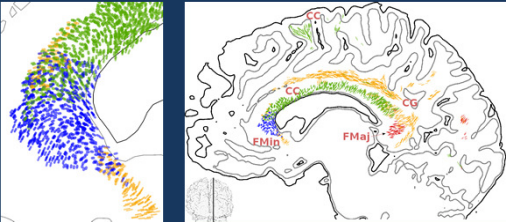
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Occlusion and confusion

Fiber Stippling for Probabilistic Tracts

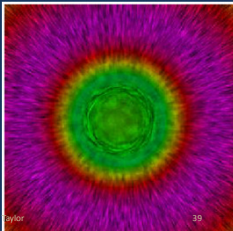


- Goldau, Wiebel, et. al. VisBio 2011
 - Stipple shape controlled by fiber properties
 - Different fibers shown by color, to view interleave



Deformation of Noise Texture

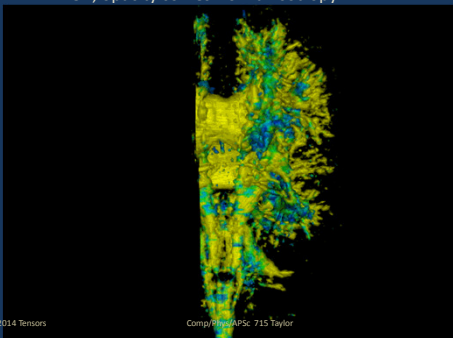
- Zheng and Pang, Vis2003, HyperLIC
- Start with a uniform 2D/3D noise texture
- Blur (flow) texture
 - Along eigenvectors
 - Blurs where large & isotropic
 - LIC where anisotropic



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Deformation of Noise Texture

- Zheng and Pang, Vis2003, HyperLIC
- In 3D, opacity comes from anisotropy



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Hue and Texture: What are they good for?

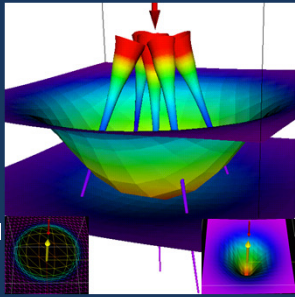
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Deformed Surfaces: Point-Load Stress Tensor

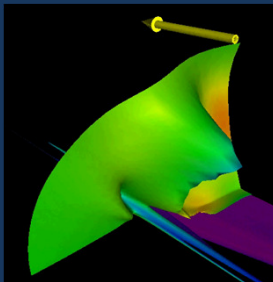
- Boring and Pang
- Deformation of sheet
 - Exaggerated
 - Colored by magnitude
- Minor hyperstreamlines
 - Colored by magnitude
- Insets:
 - Lateral strain
 - Normal strain
- Show the movie



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Delta-Wing Rate-of-Strain

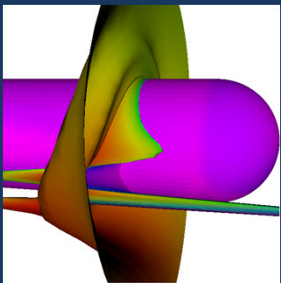
- Boring & Pang
- Surface Deformation
- Show Movie



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Cylindrical Cap and Flow


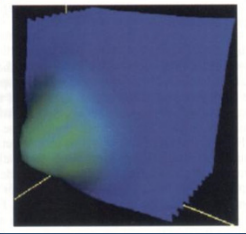
- Boring & Pang
- Deformation by
 - Rate of strain
 - Normal component only
 - Extrusions = tensile
 - Depressions = compressive
- Show Movie



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Zheng and Pang, Vis 2002

- Deformation due to load
 - Single Point Load
 - Opaque Surfaces
 - Colored by remaining tensor magnitude


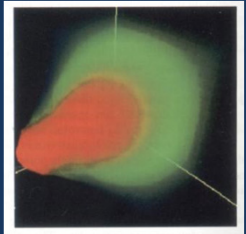


Severe occlusion

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Zheng and Pang, Vis 2002

- Deformation due to load
 - Single Point Load
 - Transparent volumes
 - Colored by initial tensor magnitude


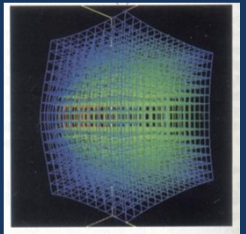


Lack of occlusion

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Zheng and Pang, Vis 2002

- Deformation due to load
 - Single Point Load
 - Wireframe grid
 - Colored by initial tensor magnitude
- Viewed from the back

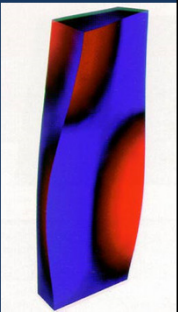


Rainbow color map

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Deformation of Rectangle

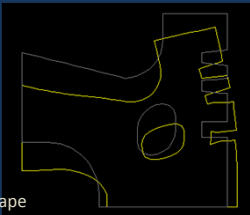
- <http://www.cs.auckland.ac.nz/~burkhard/PhD/img12.html>
- Cube coordinates displaced by vector data
 - Second torsional mode of vibration for an object
- Scalar offset mapped to double-ended color
 - Red moves along surface normal
 - Black is little or no motion in direction of normal
 - Blue moves opposite surface normal



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Deformation of Shape

- <http://146.134.8.133/femtools/img/2ved04.gif>
- Advect shape by field
- Shows strain
- Could animate
- 2D or 3D shape
- Here, color nominal
 - Original vs. deformed shape



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Deformation of Shape

- Bender et. al. IEEE Transactions on Vis. & Comp. Gfx., Vol 6. No. 1. 2000. Pp. 8-23

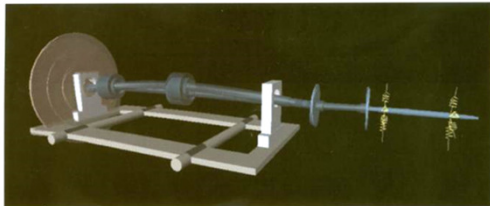
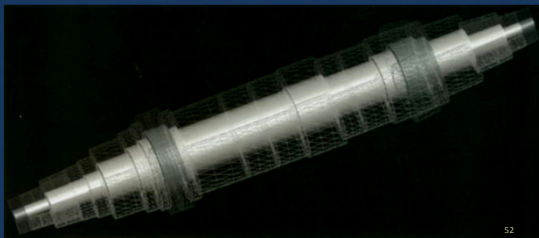


Fig. 14: Spinning turbine 51

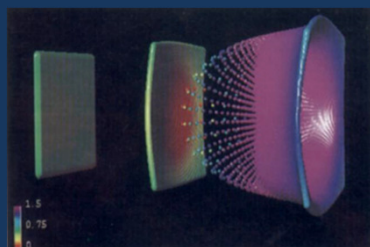
Deformation of Shape

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Streamballs as Surfaces

- Can deform like surfaces
- Color similarly
- Brill, et. al.



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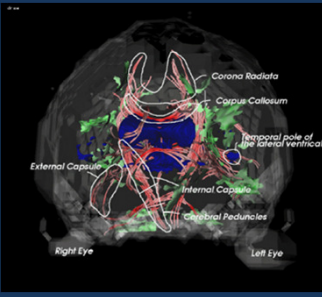
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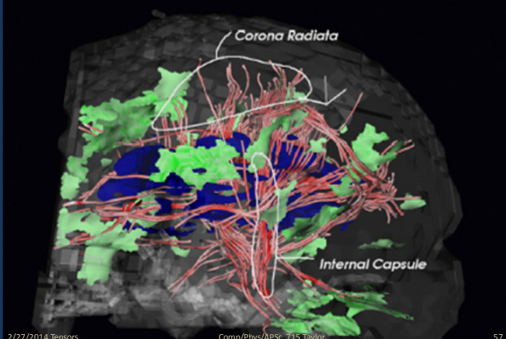
Computed: Streamtubes and Streamsurfaces

- Tubes
 - Flow mostly along line
 - Along principal direction of diffusion
 - Cross-section is ellipse
 - Saturation shows anisotropy
- Surfaces
 - Where diffusion larger in 2 directions than 3rd
 - Perpendicular to slowest
 - Saturation shows anisotropy
- Annotated landmarks



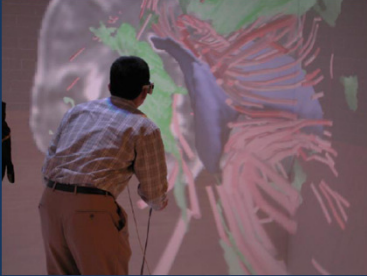
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Streamtubes/Surfaces Side View



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Getting Into the Data

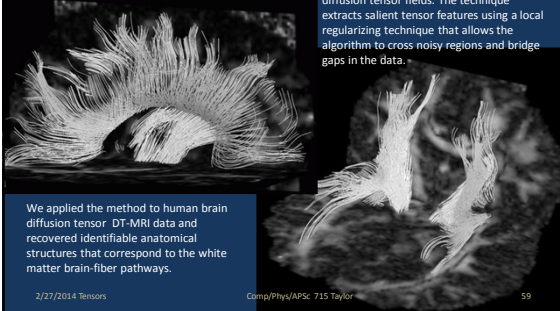


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White-Matter Fiber Tracing

- Zhukov & Barr, Caltech; Vis 2002

In this paper we develop a new technique for tracing anatomical fibers from 3D diffusion tensor fields. The technique extracts salient tensor features using a local regularizing technique that allows the algorithm to cross noisy regions and bridge gaps in the data.

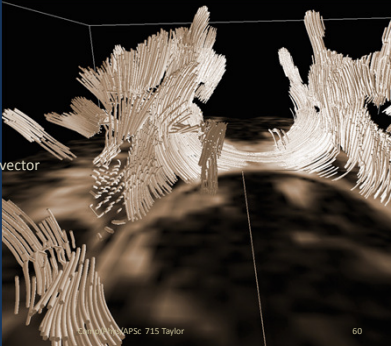


We applied the method to human brain diffusion tensor DT-MRI data and recovered identifiable anatomical structures that correspond to the white matter brain-fiber pathways.

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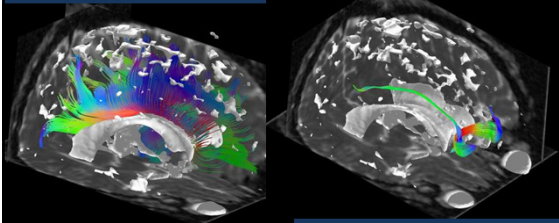
- Zhukov & Barr
 - Caltech
 - Vis 2002
- Trace streamlines
 - Along major Eigenvector



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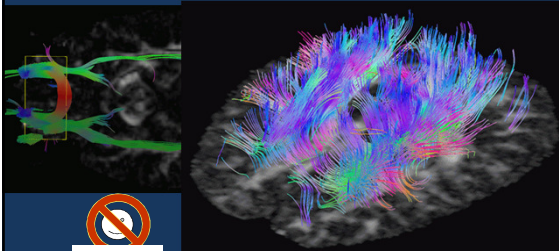
- Zhukov & Barr, Caltech; Vis 2002
- Streamlines along major eigenvector



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Adding Halos

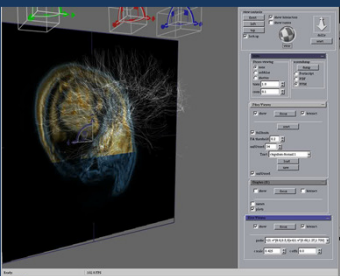
- Interactive volume rendering of thin thread structures within multivalued scientific data sets
– Wenger, Keefe, Zhang & Laidlaw 2004
- Left: no halos, middle: halos, right: halos shifted away from the viewer



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Multi-source Streamlines

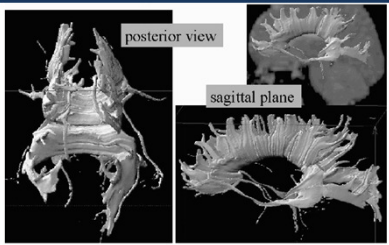
- Vis 2005, Blaas et. al.



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In-Vivo Tractography

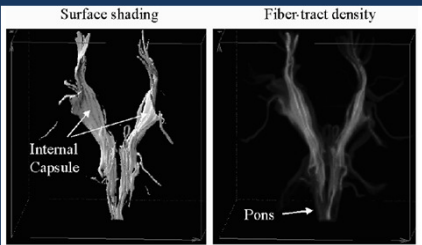
- Basser et. al. 2002
 - Volume render fiber-tract density



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In-Vivo Tractography

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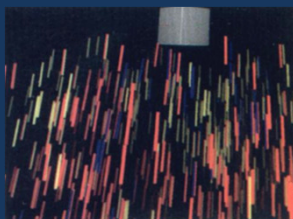
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Rotation Field

- Livingston, Vis '97
- Tracker Orientation Errors
- Cube is tracker source
- Spinning colored tuftes
 - Red, green, and blue sides
 - Animate
 - Spin around axis
 - Speed by error magnitude
 - Shows subtle differences



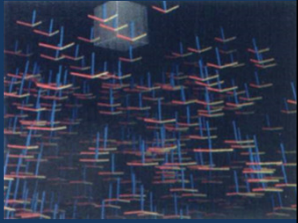
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Rotation Field

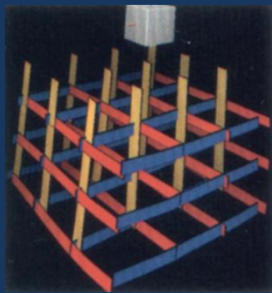
- Livingston, Vis '97
- Tracker Orientation Errors
- Cube is tracker source
- Orienting axes
 - Rotated by error amount
 - Best when fly-through
 - Animate to shift from starting orientation to final



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Rotation Field

- Livingston, Vis '97
- Tracker Orientation Errors
- Cube is tracker source
- Axis streamlines
 - Not hyperstreamlines (along eigenvectors)
 - Integrate along the rotated coordinate axis
 - Tile adjacent ones to provide strips

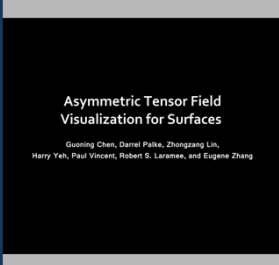


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Combined 2D Techniques


- Asymmetric Tensor Field Vis for Surfaces
– Chen, Palke, et. al.; TVCG 2011



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Combined 2D Techniques

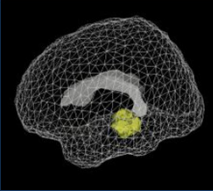
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Rotation Stretching Type of degenerate points
● Trisectors ○ Wedges

Combined Display

- www.sop.inria.fr/epidaure/personnel/ayache/ayache.html

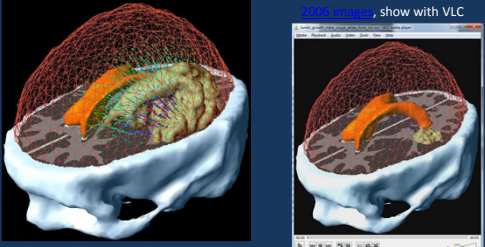


2006 images, show with Quicktime

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Combined Display

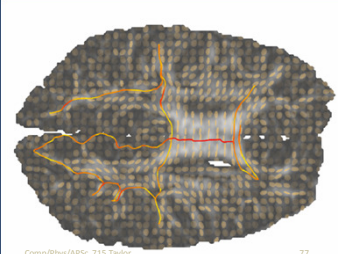
- www.sop.inria.fr/epidaure/personnel/ayache/ayache.html



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Haptic Diffusion Tensor Display

- A Constraint-Based Technique for Haptic Volume Exploration: Vis 2003; Ikiti, Brederson, Hansen, Johnson
- Anisotropic drag
 - along Eigenvectors
 - by Eigenvalues



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Summary (From 2003)

- Is it isotropic? Ellipsoids, Stream ind (color compares 2), Hue&Tex in 2D, Deformation(color)
- Sheet or cigar: Ellipsoids, Stream is hard, others not.
- Where would water diffuse? Stream for 1, hue&tex, Deform
- Where severe rotation? FlowProbe, Flowtubes, Streamballs for surface
- What strain caused by stress? Glyph, Deformation
- Does it work for 3D? Glyphs have occlusion trouble, tricks let hue&text, great care or 2D subsets for deformations
- All: "Computed" depends on what you computed

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Summary (from 2002)

		E	f	I	s	TP	a	Isotropic/anisotropic tensor field?	
		E		I	s	TP		Where is it sheet-like, where cigar-like?	
H	P	e	f	I	S	W	TPA	Where would water go from here?	
h	P					W	a	R	Where are the most severe rotations?
				I	S	W	A	What strain effect does stress cause?	
	p			I	S	W	A	R	Does it work in 3D?

(H)ue/velocity, Flow (P)robe, (E)llipsoids, (F)lat/2D ellipses,
 (I)cons (includes P,E,F), Hyper(S)streamlines, (W)arped surface,
 (TP) Tubes and Planes, (A)dvect shape, (R)otation (anim. axis)

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