Large-Scale Data Visualization Applications on Tianhe-1A

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- TH-1A system and its application
- Large-Scale data Visualization
  - Large-Scale Flow Visualization
  - Multi source geological data visualization graphics engine——OpenProbe
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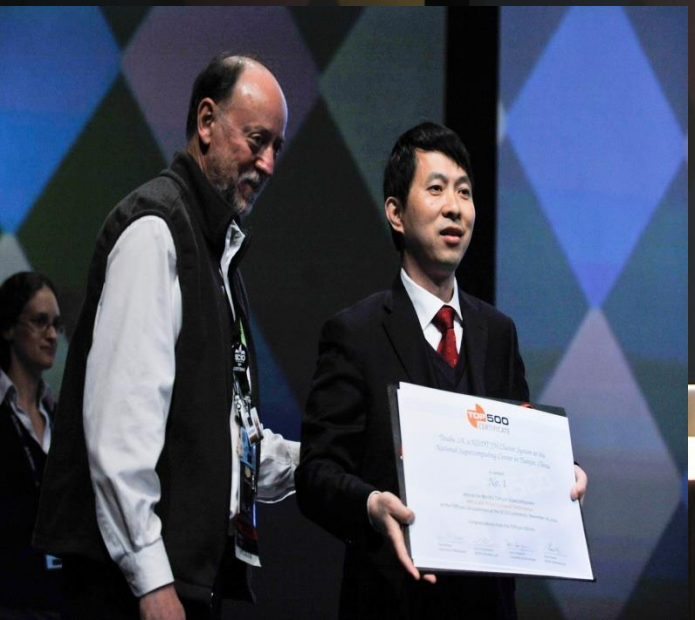
Tianhe -1A supercomputer got the world's top 500 ranked first at November 16, 2010 .



36th List: The TOP10

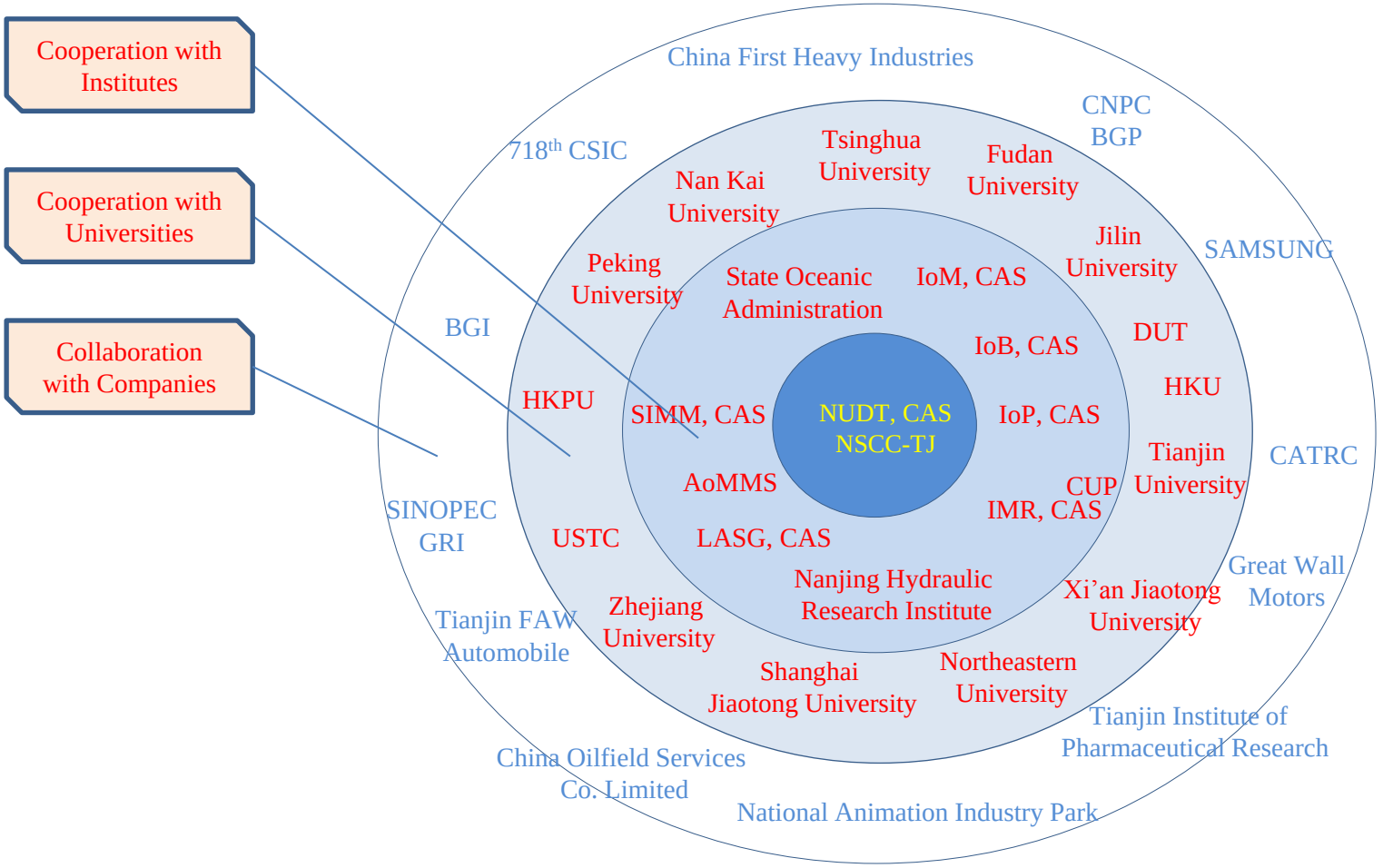
Rank	Site	Manufacturer	Computer	Country	Cores	Rmax [Tflops]	Power [MW]
1	National SuperComputer Center in Tianjin	NUDT	Tianhe-1A NUDT YH MPP, Xeon 6C, NVidia	China	186,368	2,566	4.04
2	Oak Ridge National Laboratory	Cray	Jaguar Cray XT5, HC 2.6 GHz	USA	224,162	1,759	6.95
3	National Supercomputing Centre in Shenzhen	Dawning	Nebulae TC3600 Blade, Intel X5650, NVidia Tesla C2050 GPU	China	120,640	1,271	2.58
4	GSIC, Tokyo Institute of Technology	NEC/HP	TSUBAME-2 HP ProLiant, Xeon 6C, NVidia, Linux/Windows	Japan	73,278	1,192	1.40
5	DOE/SC/ LBNL/NERSC	Cray	Hopper Cray XE6, 6C 2.1 GHz	USA	153,408	1.054	2.91
6	Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique (CEA)	Bull	Tera 100 Bull bullx super-node S6010/S6030	France	138.368	1,050	4.59
7	DOE/NNSA/LANL	IBM	Roadrunner BladeCenter QS22/LS21	USA	122,400	1,042	2.34
8	Univ of Tenn ee	Cray	Kraken Cray XT5 HC 2.36GHz	USA	98,928	831.7	3.09
	Fo rum	IB	Jugene e Gene/P Solution	Germany	294,912	825.5	2.26
			Cielo C 2.4 GHz	USA	107,152	816.6	2.95

TH-1A system and its application

- TH-1A main hardware parameters :
  - Computation： 4.7 petaflop
    - ✓ Number of computing nodes：7500
    - ✓ Computing node partition：4 computing partitions according to 4 storage partitions
  - Storage：two parts: On line and Near Line
    - ✓ On Line：4 sets Lustre, each set corresponds to a storage partition, the capacity are 430TB, 420TB, 1.3PB, 700TB respectively.
    - ✓ Near Line：dual copy storage，available capacity 4PB
    - ✓ There was one set Lustre before：430 TB

- In addition to the TH-1A, we also constructed
  - TH Cloud Computing Center
  - TH electronic government affairs center
  - TH big data processing environment

HPC Application & Innovation Alliance



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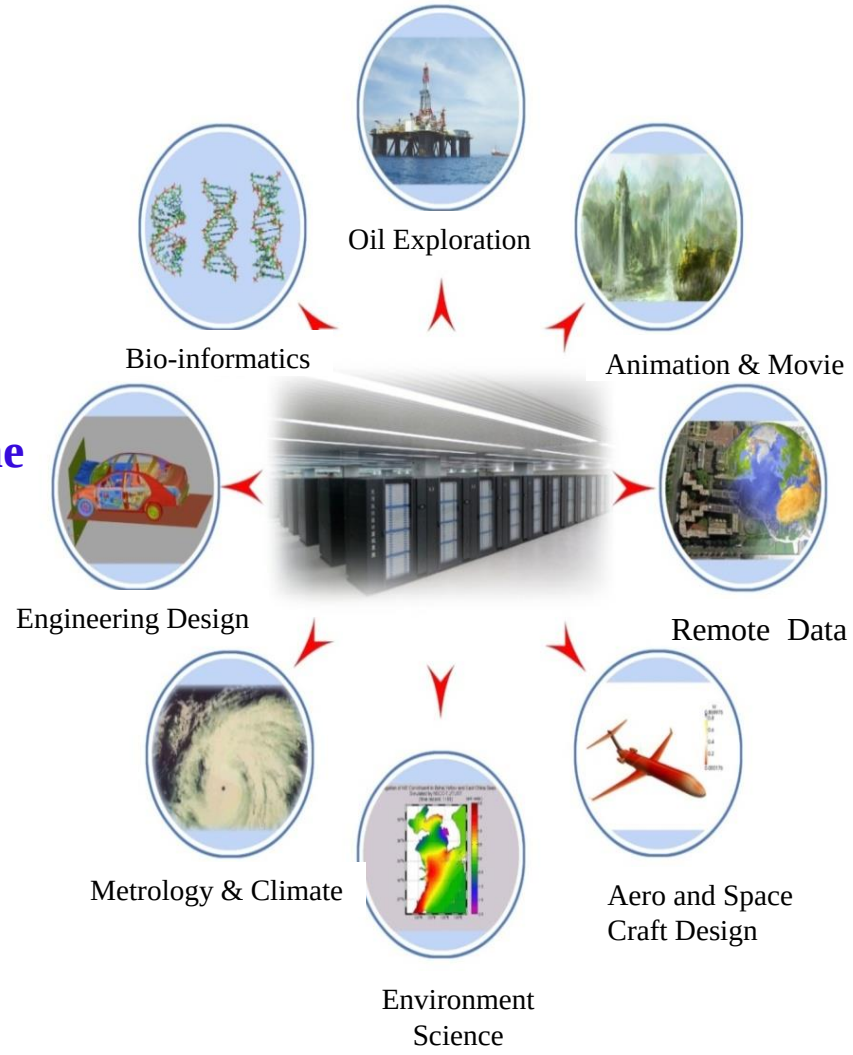
Application Domains and some typical applications

- Some typical application domains
  - Geophysics： oil exploration
  - Environmental Science ： Oceans, weather and climate
  - Aerodynamics ： Aircraft

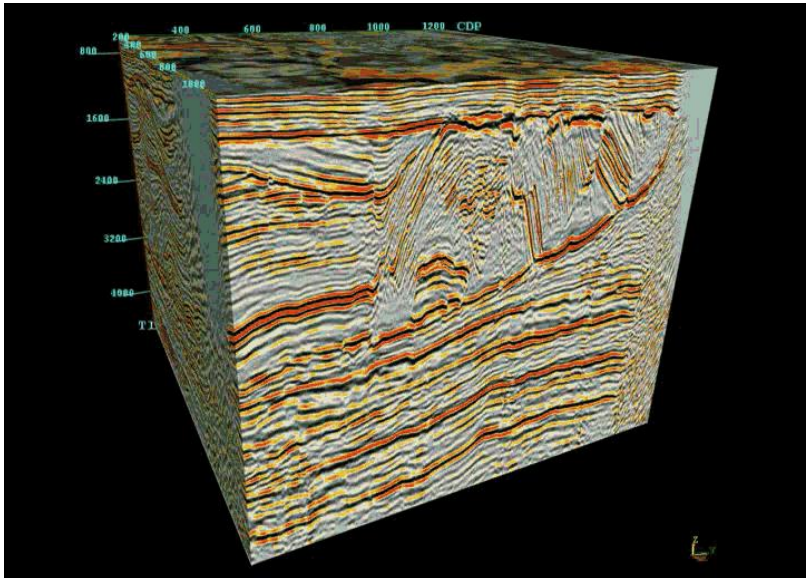
These three types of application can use the whole system of computing resources.

  - Life Sciences： Gene, protein, brain science
  - Engineering simulation

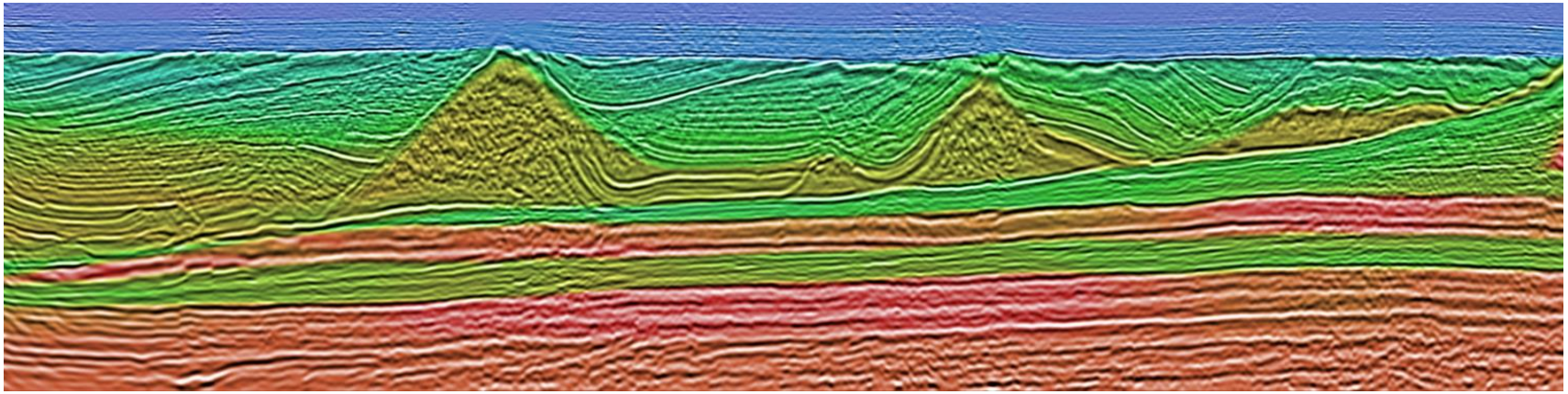


Typical application：oil exploration seismic data processing

- GeoEast：Developed a data processing software for oil seismic exploration with independent intellectual property rights
- Completed a number of data processing tasks, the typical parameters are ：
  - Work area：2,600 Km^2
  - Origin data volume：2.2TB
  - Processing technique ：RTM
  - Imaging data volume ：27GB
  - One of Imaging interpretation technology ：Visualization

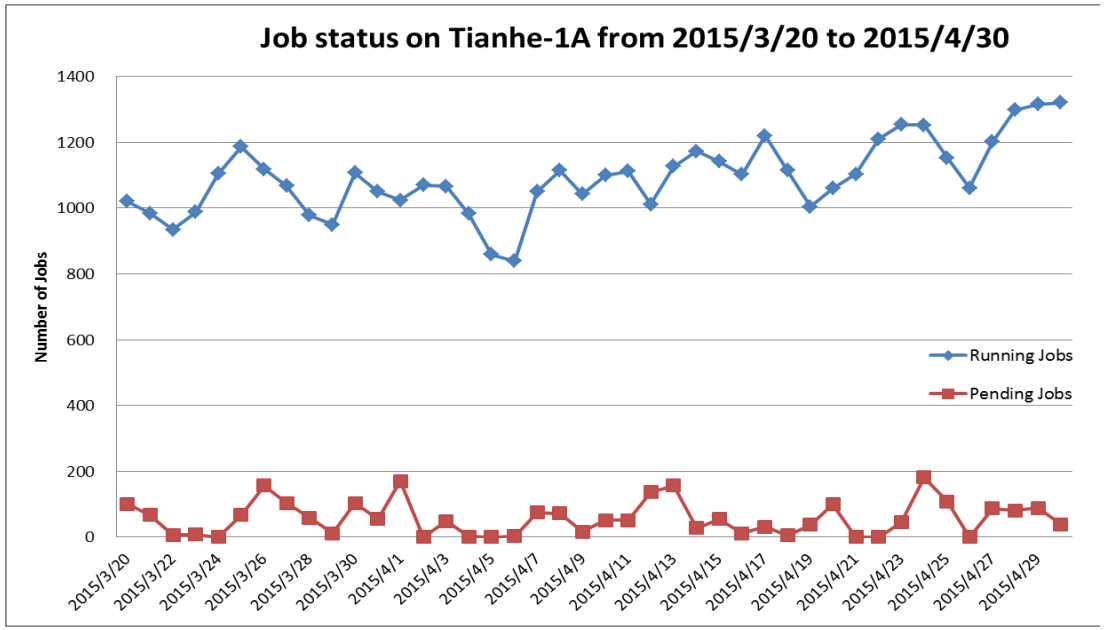


Imaging of underground geological structure



Operation status of Tianhe-1A

- System usage ：> 85%
- Data storaged ：>2.5PB
- Running years：More than 4 years: (2010.12—2015.4)



Projects and users

- **TH-1A supports national projects > 800 items**
  - **NSFC projects > 600 items**
  - **863, 973 projects > 100 items**
  - **Other key project (MIIT, NDRC, CNPC, CNOOC, etc) > 40 items**
  - **International collaboration projects > 10 items**
- **Users all over China, and the number of user teams is more than 600 up to 2014**
- **NSCC-TJ is an open public technology service platform**

User distribution graph

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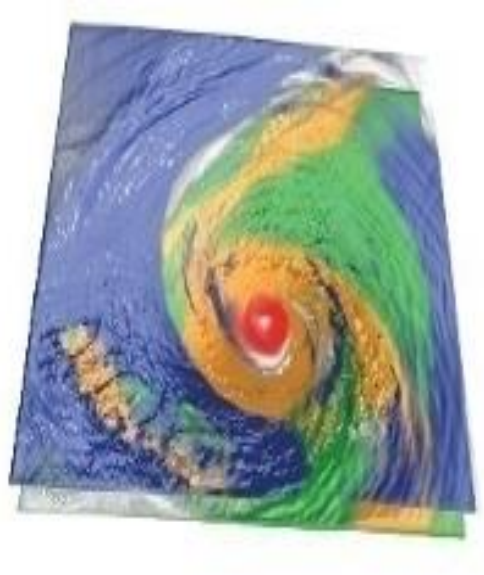
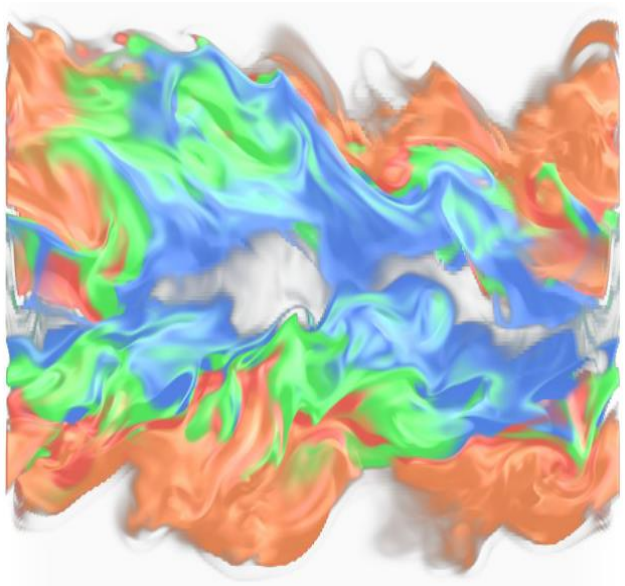
Large-Scale Flow Visualization

Limitation of Previous Flow Visualization Methods

Flow data usually includes multiple variables, but their corresponding analysis methods are lacking, especially the integrated analysis of vector fields with scalar fields.

Existing ensemble visualization methods focus on the scalar fields, while the comparison of vector fields are in need in scientific domain.





Our Approach: Large-Scale Pathlines-Based Flow Field Analysis

New flow field analysis methods equipped with scalable computation

1. **Coupled Ensemble Flow Line Advection and Analysis (eFLAA)**

   vector field + ensemble analysis

2. **Scalable Lagrangian-based Attribute Space Projection (LASP)**

   scalar/vector field + multivariate analysis

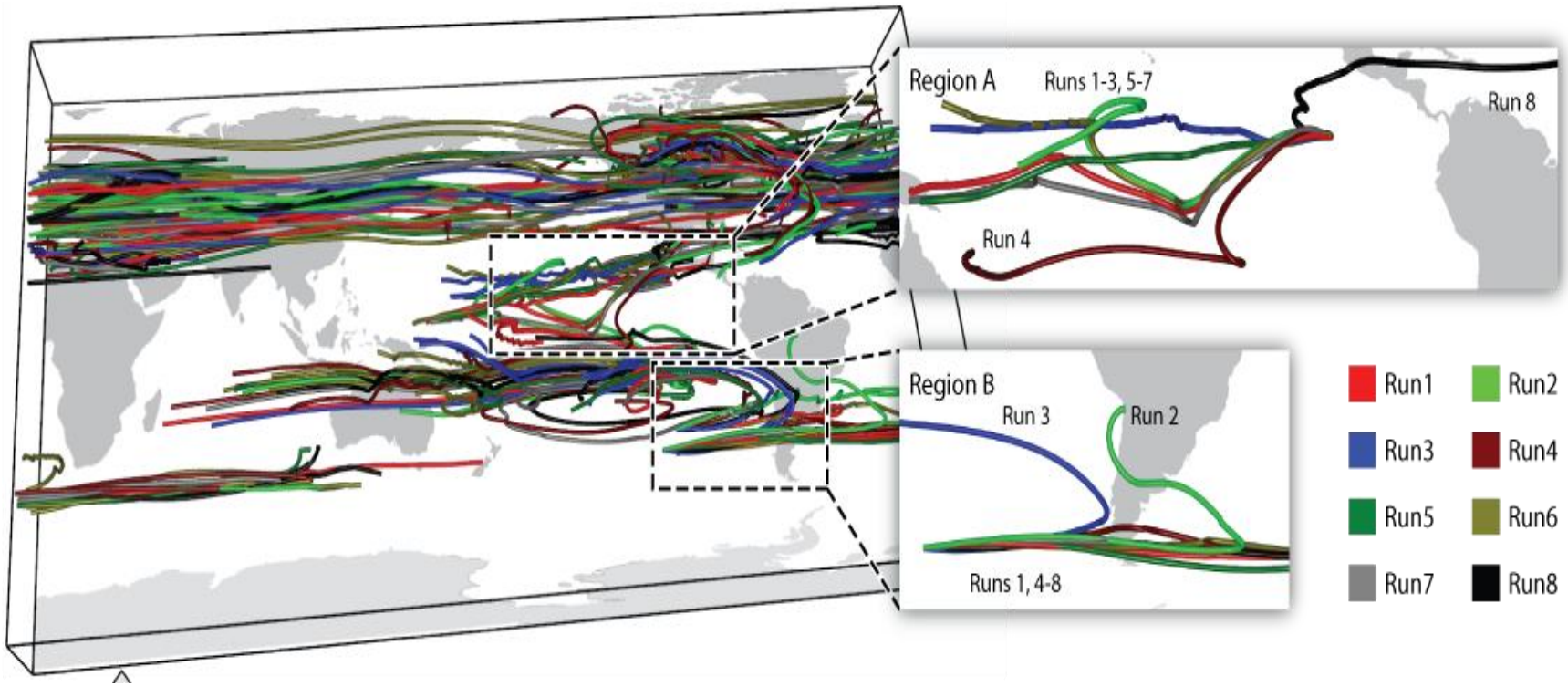
3. **Latent Dirichlet Allocation Based Unsteady Flow Analysis (FLDA)**

   scalar/vector field + multivariate analysis

4. **Advection-Based Sparse Data Management for Visualizing Unsteady Flow**

   a fundamental data management to support flow-related analysis

1. eFLAA: Coupled Ensemble Flow Line Advection and Analysis



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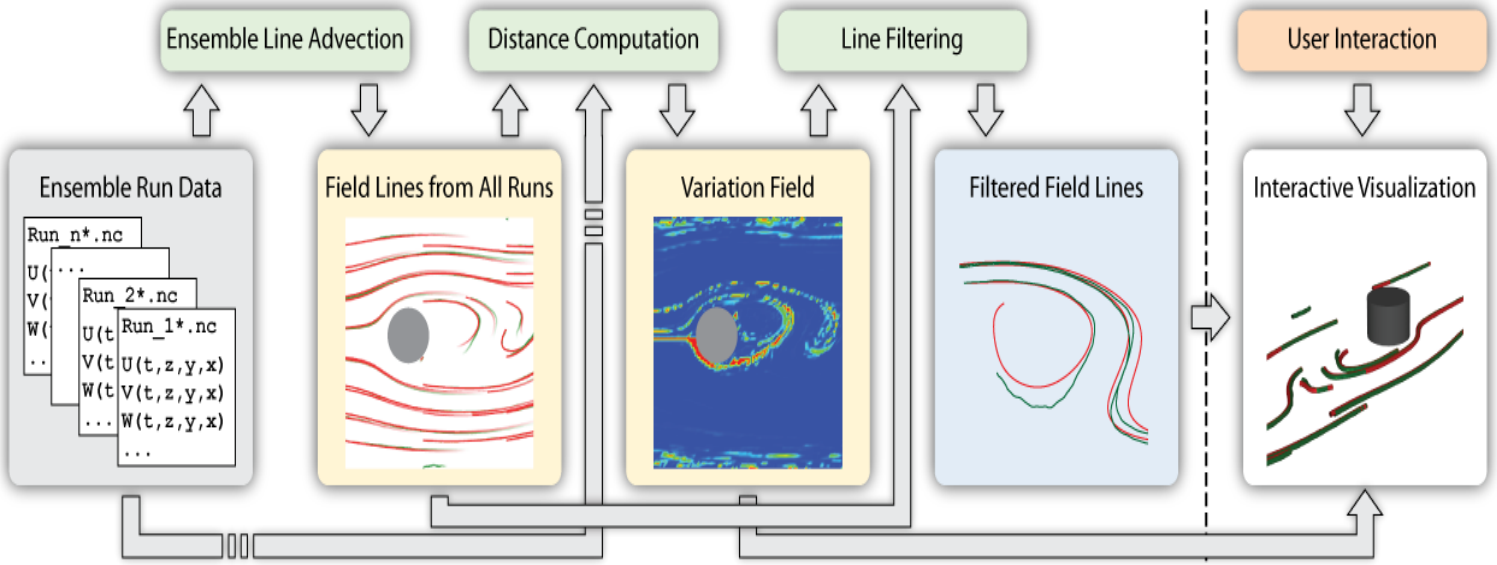
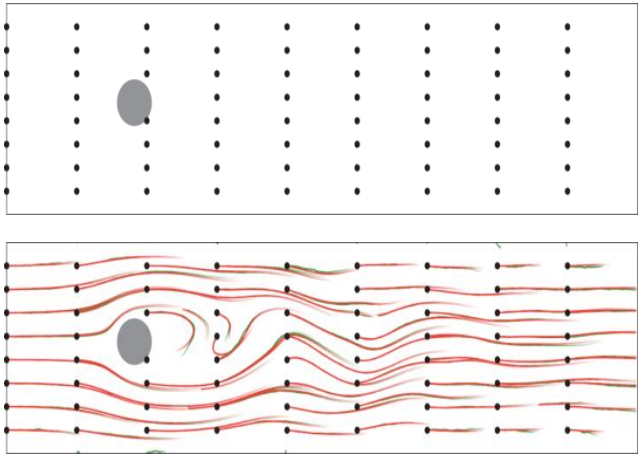
Pipeline in Concept

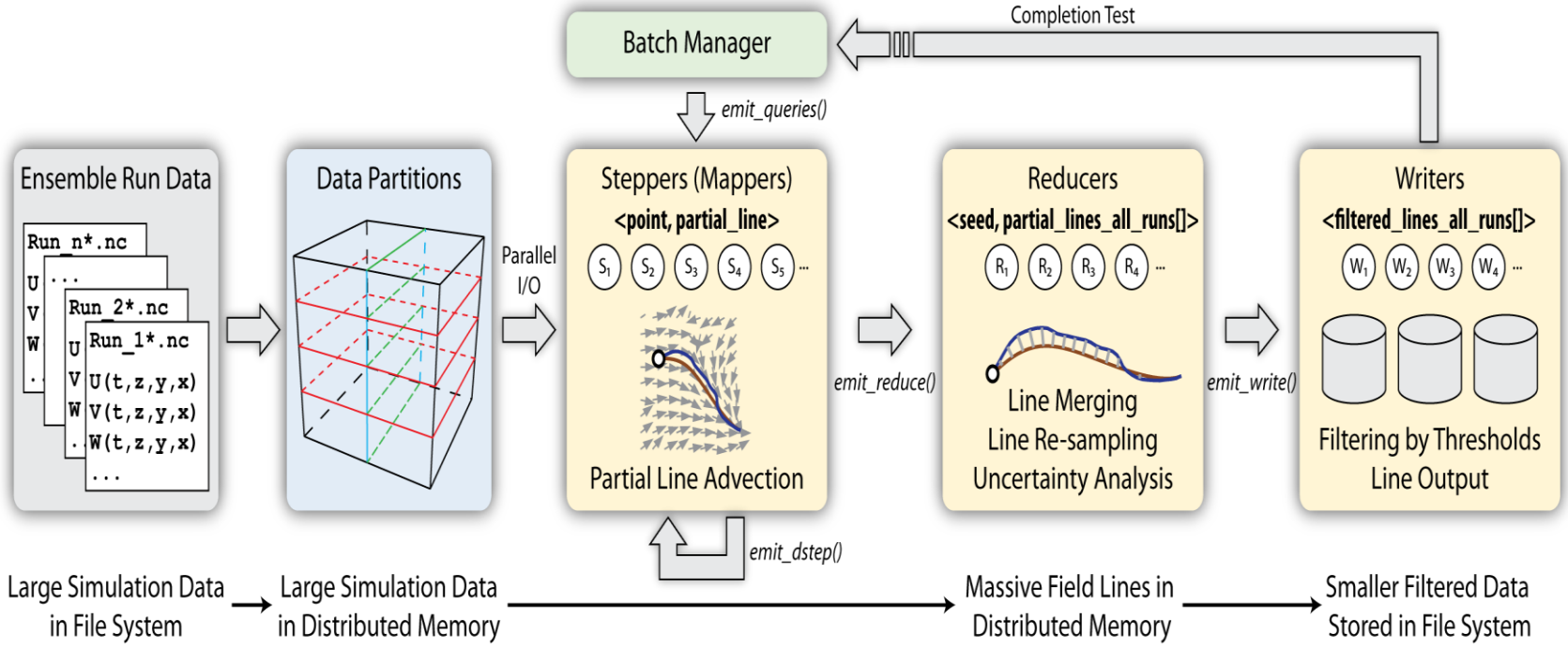


- Ensemble data (large, 76 GB)
- Field line data (much larger than ensemble data, 5.8 TB)
- Variation field (small, less than 1 GB)
- Filtered lines (even smaller)



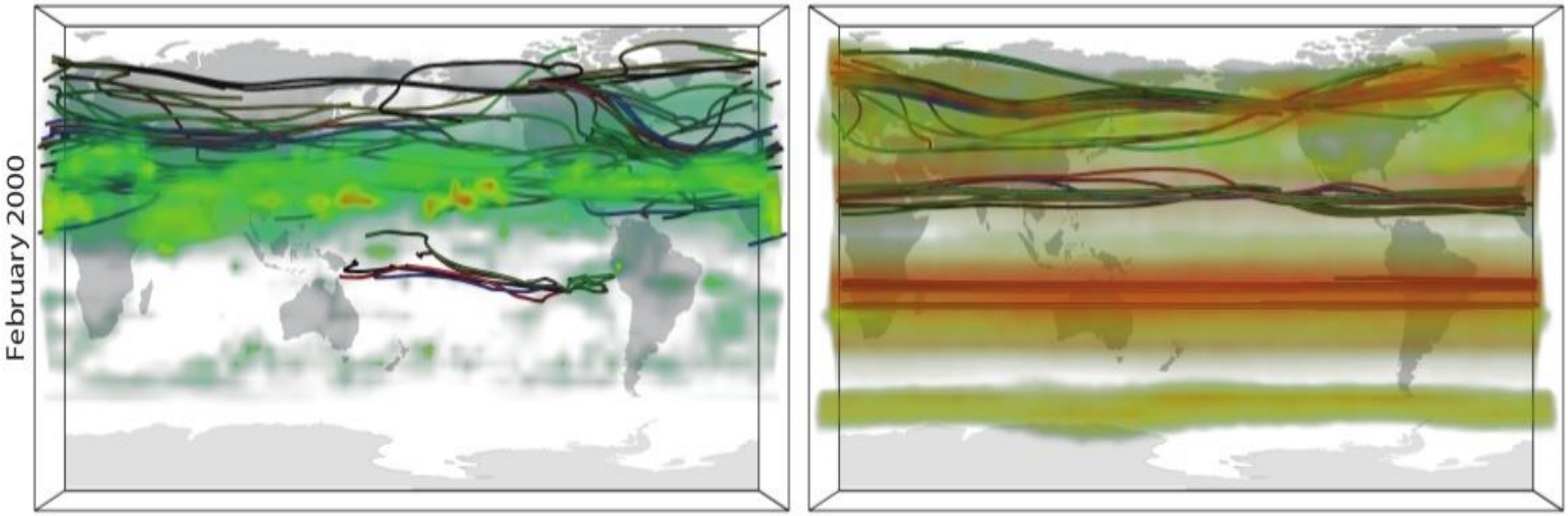
Pipeline of the Parallel System

- Both data scale and problem size are often too large to handle in practice
- A streamed data management mechanism is used to make the system scalable, given the memory limits

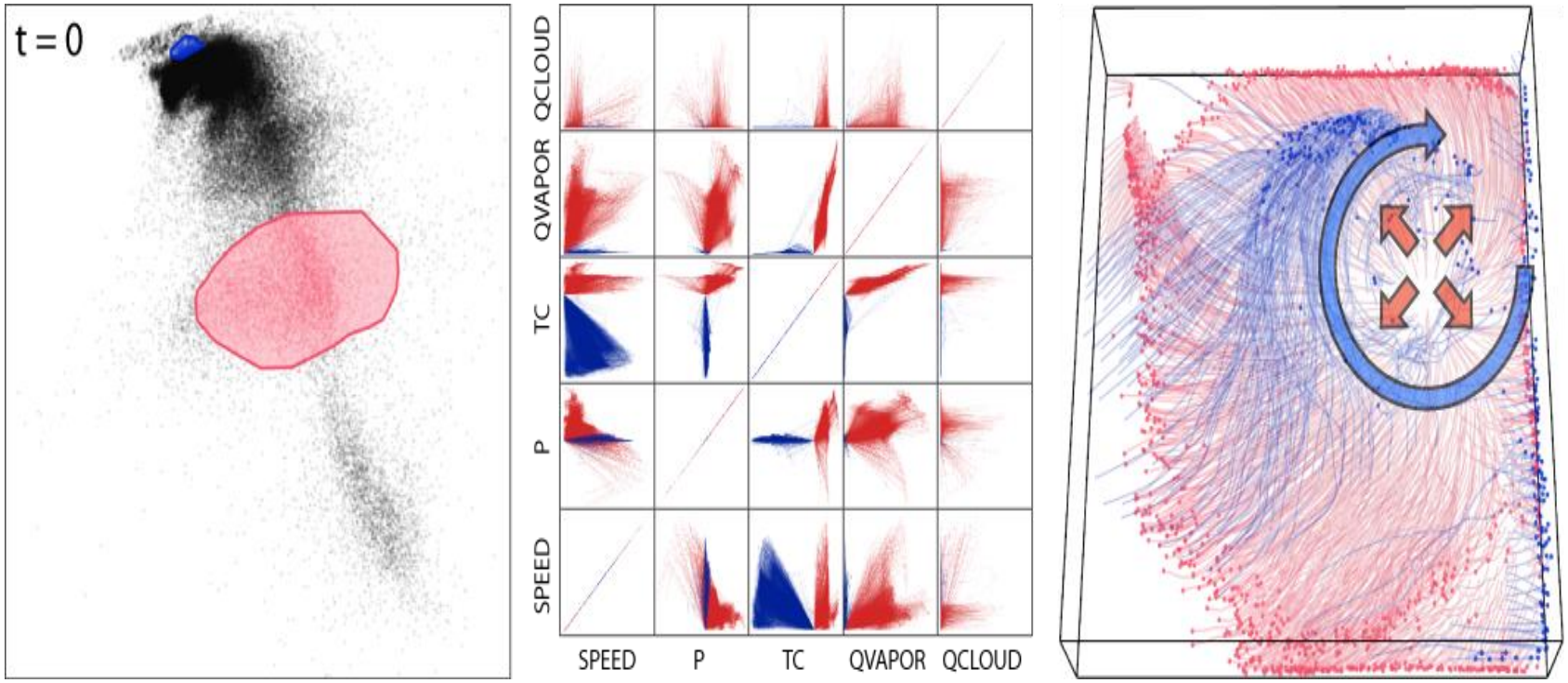


Application – GEOS-5 Simulation

- The metric: the differences of locations / CO_2 concentration along the pathline
- Findings
  - The variation of the wind field is high in the north hemisphere
  - However, The CO_2 difference is higher in south hemisphere and some places in the north
  - CO_2 concentration is not sensitive to wind in above regions



2. LASP : Scalable Lagrangian-based Attribute Space Projection



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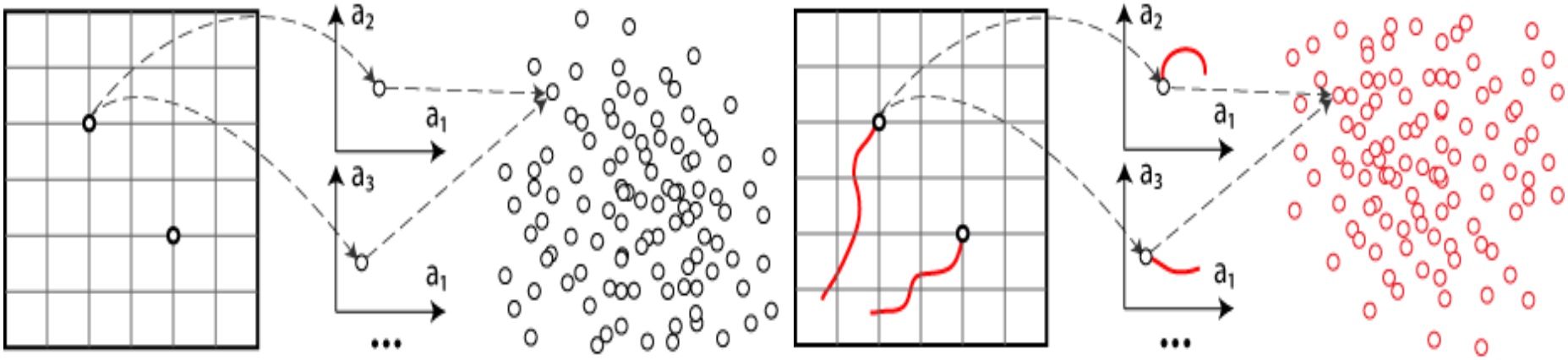
Attribute Space Projection

Eulerian-based Attribute Space Projection

Data samples →
High-dimensional vector in attribute space →
Eulerian-based Attribute Space Projection →
Eulerian-based Attribute Space Projection (EASP)

Lagrangian-based Attribute Space Projection

Pathlines starting from data samples →
Pathlines in attribute space →
Lagrangian-based Attribute Space Projection→
Lagrangian-based Attribute Space Projection (LASP)



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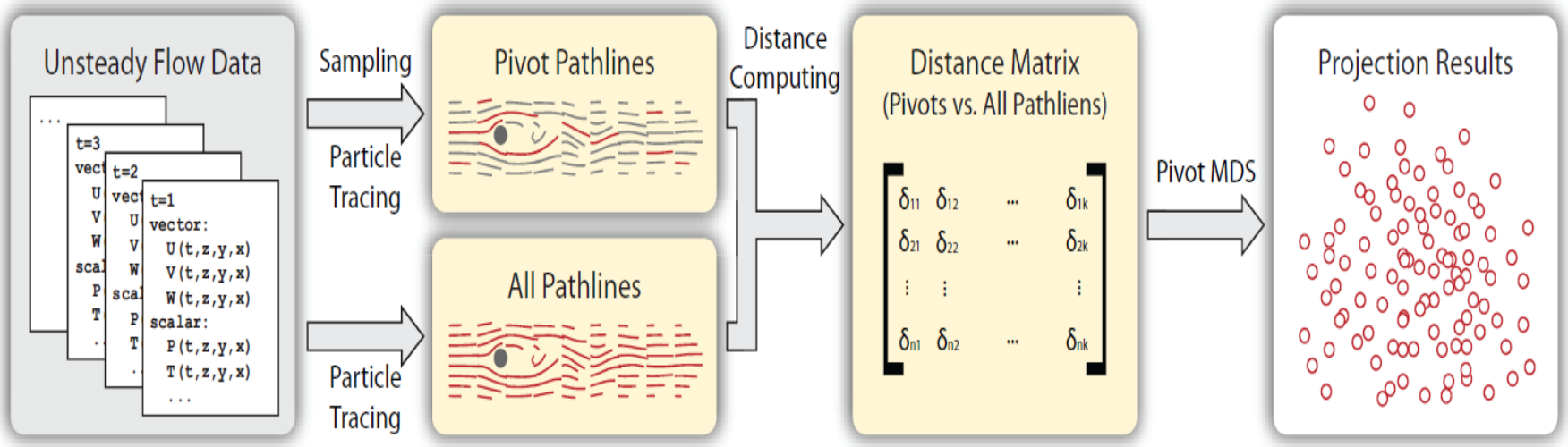
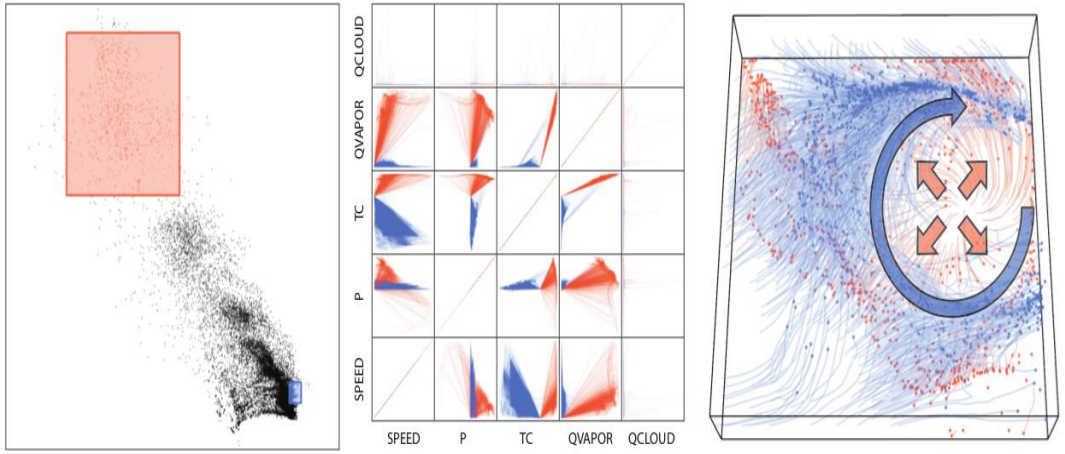
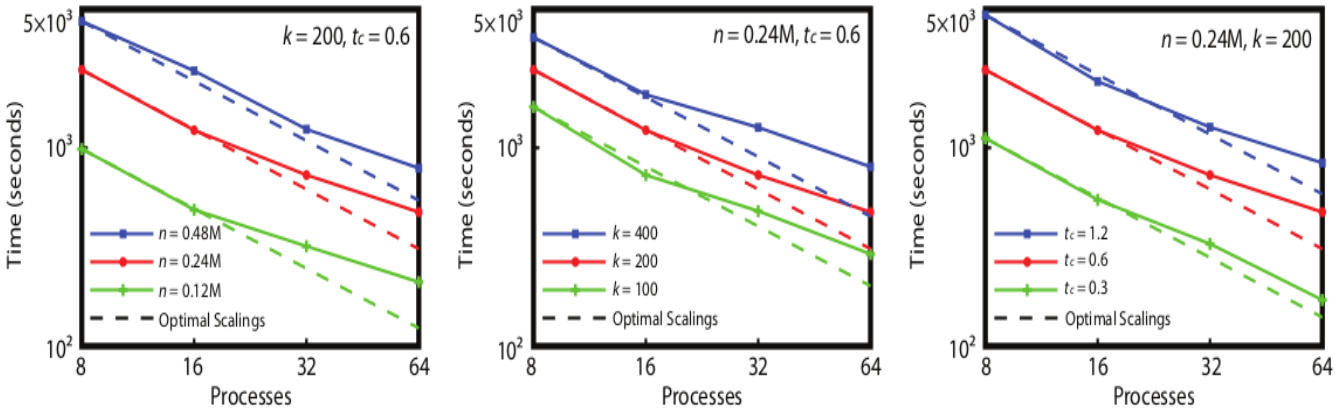


- It is unrealistic to implement LASP with a serial visualization pipeline
  - The complexities of both particle tracing and projection are prohibitive
  - The intermediate data is overwhelmingly large
- The solution: integration of DStep and SPMDS

Application: Hurricane Isabel



Attributes along pathlines are significantly different in the two group of selected features



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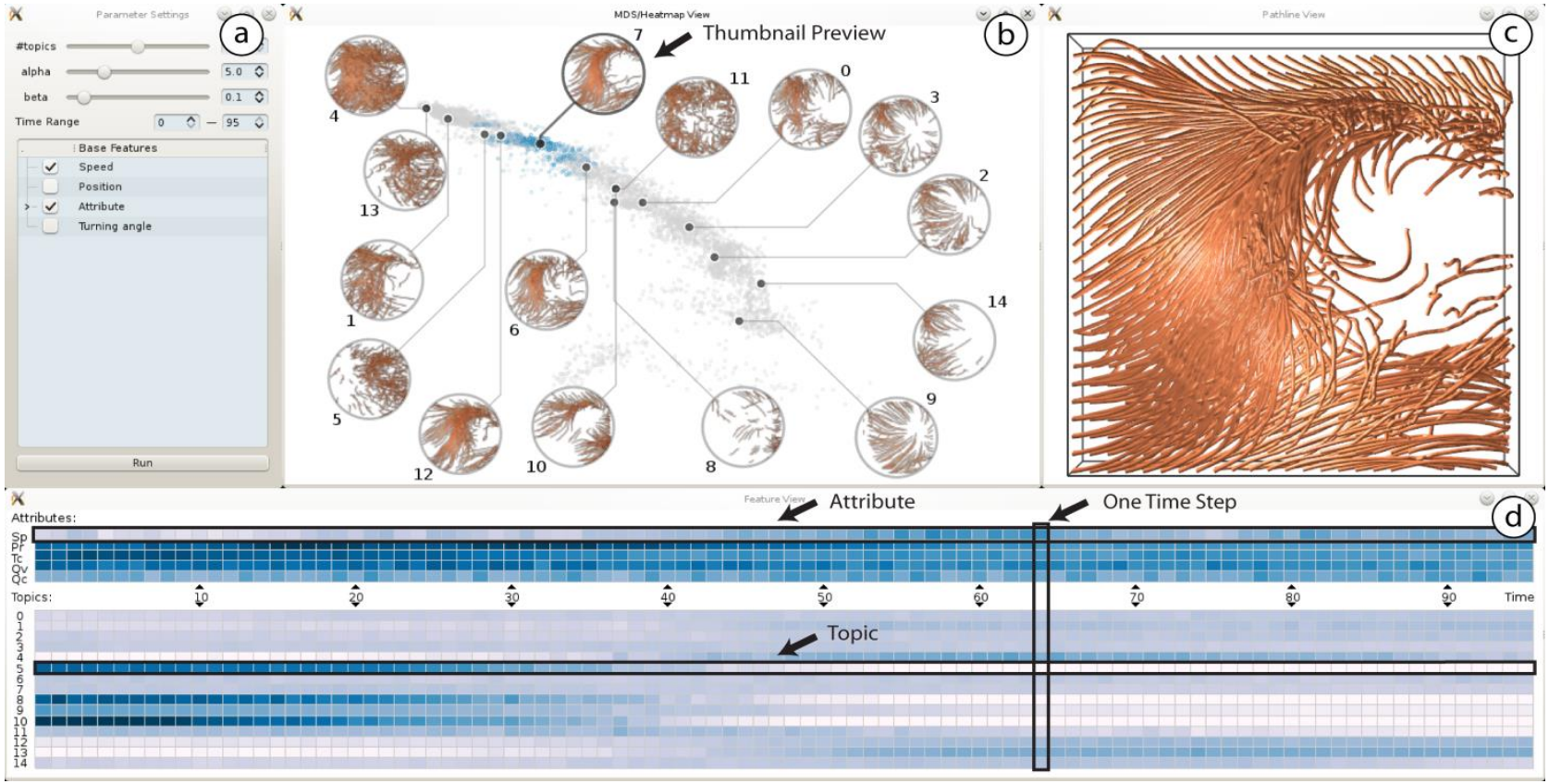

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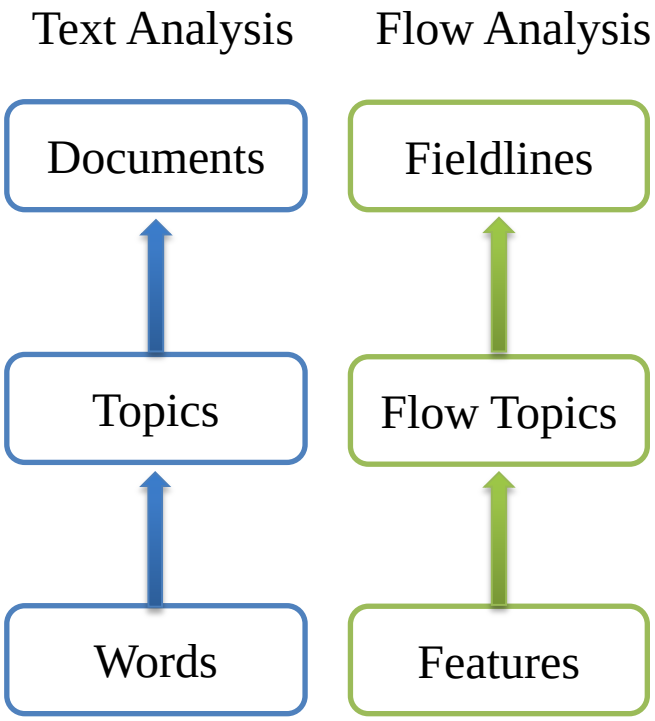
LDA Topic Model vs Flow LDA Model

LDA (Latent Dirichlet Allocation) is a widely used topic model in text mining.

LDA estimates the similarities between **documents** from the **topic level**.

Topics are extracted based on **document-word** relationships



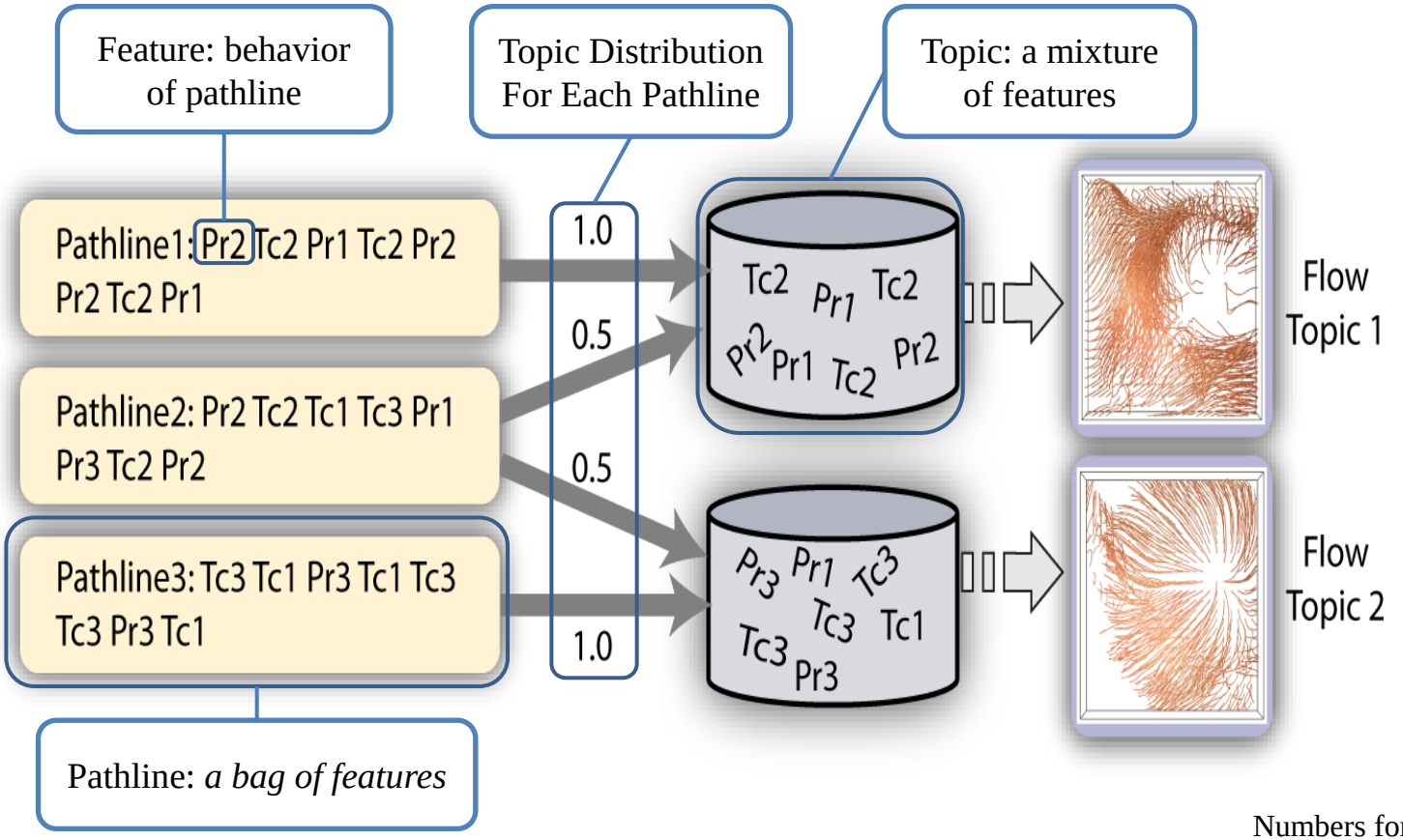
FLDA clusters **fieldlines** from the **flow topic** level.

Flow topics are extracted based on **fieldline-feature** relationships

Illustration of FLDA Model

Input:
- Definition of features
- Bags of features for each pathline

Output:
- Topic distribution for each pathline
- Feature distribution for each topic



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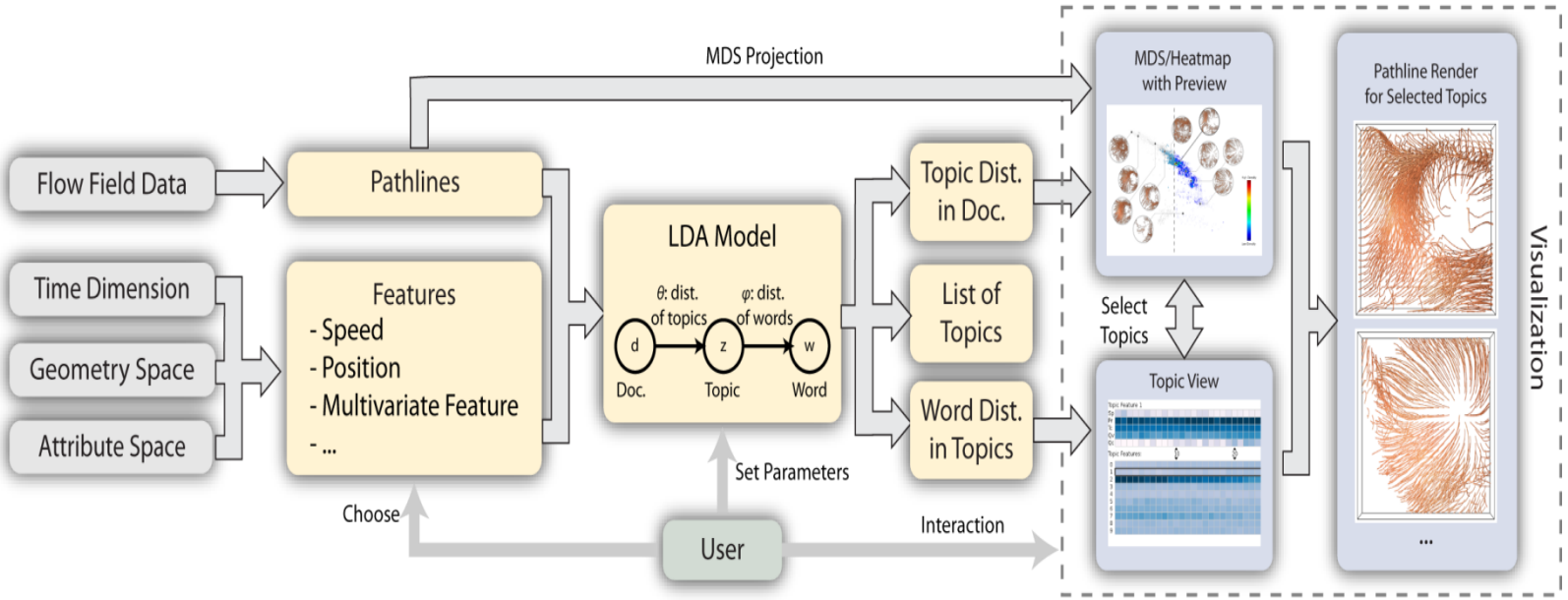
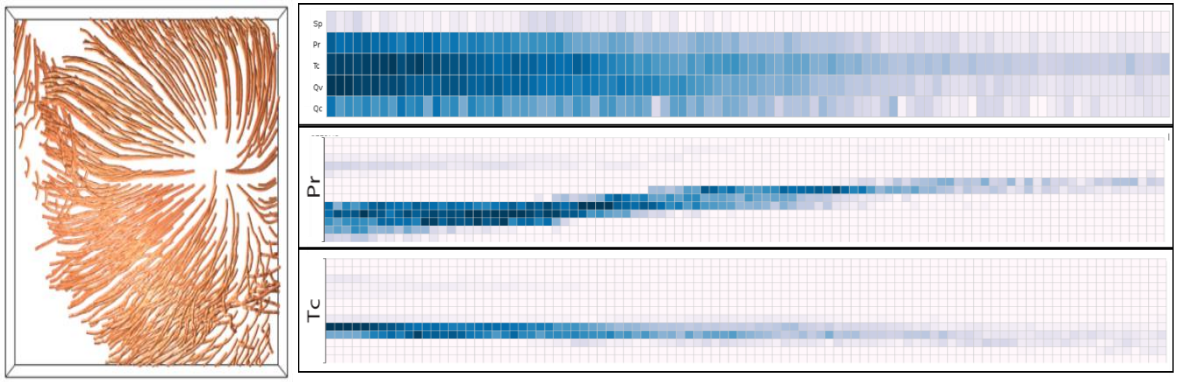


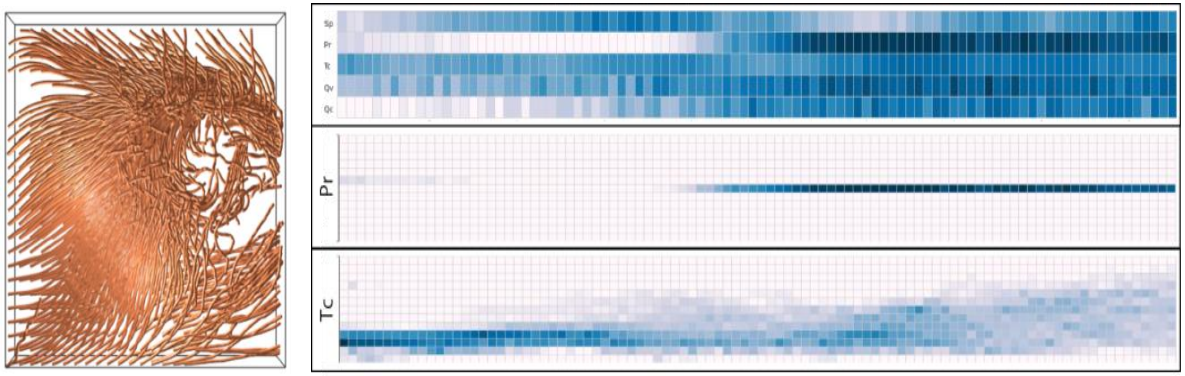
Steps:

1. Define features to represent behaviors of interest.
2. Generate pathlines, and construct bags of features.
3. Feed feature bags into classical LDA model.
4. Visualize and analyze output topics and distributions.

Application – Isabel Case

- Pathlines advect from hurricane eye to the periphery.
- Pathlines are similar in attributes pressure and temperature, in the first half of advection.
- Pathlines have an increasing pressure, and stable temperature.





- Pathlines form a clockwise circulation around hurricane eye.
- Pathlines have focused pressure values in the last half of time.
- The pressure of pathlines are changing for focuses values to dispersed one.

4. Advection-Based Sparse Data Management for Visualizing Unsteady Flow

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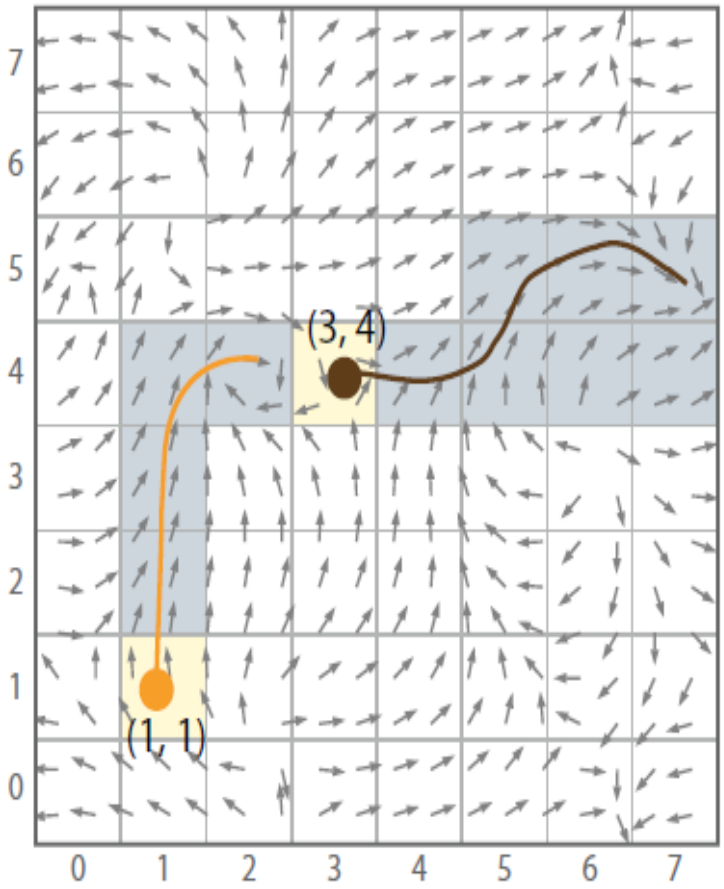
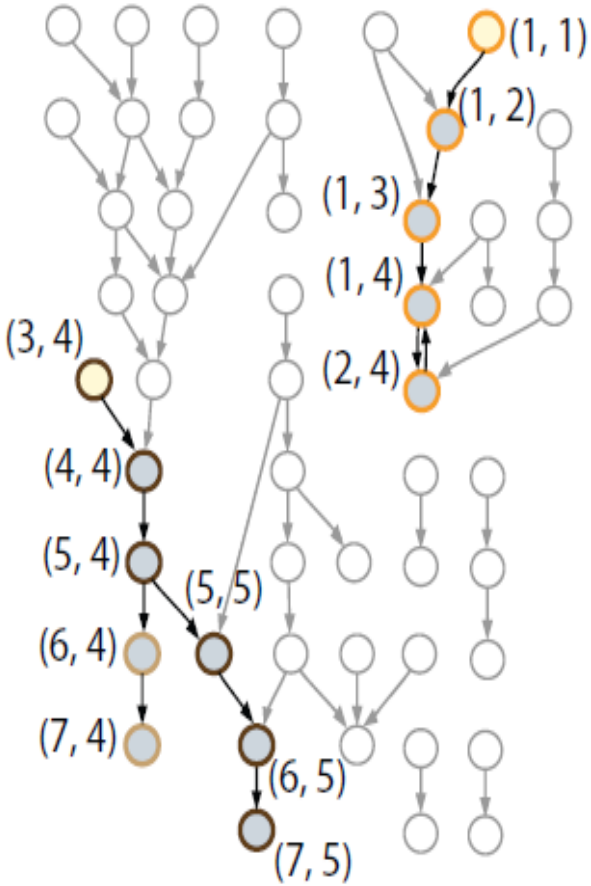
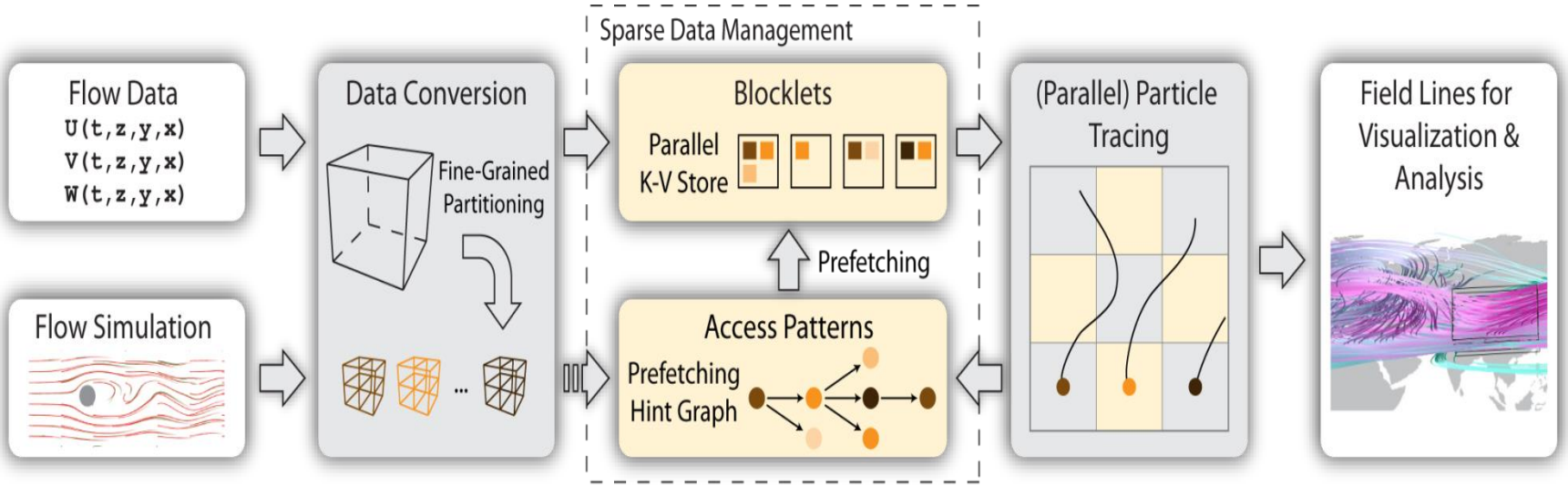




Sparse Data Management



Solution

- Data partition on granularity of blocklets
- Parallel key-value store based data management
- High-efficient data prefetching

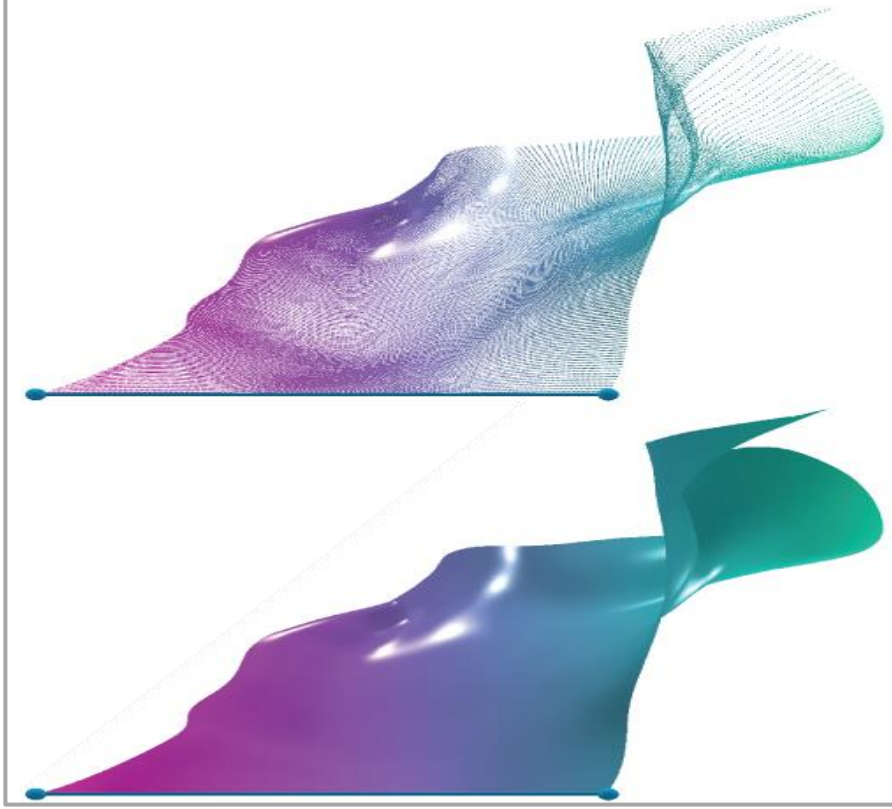
Benefits

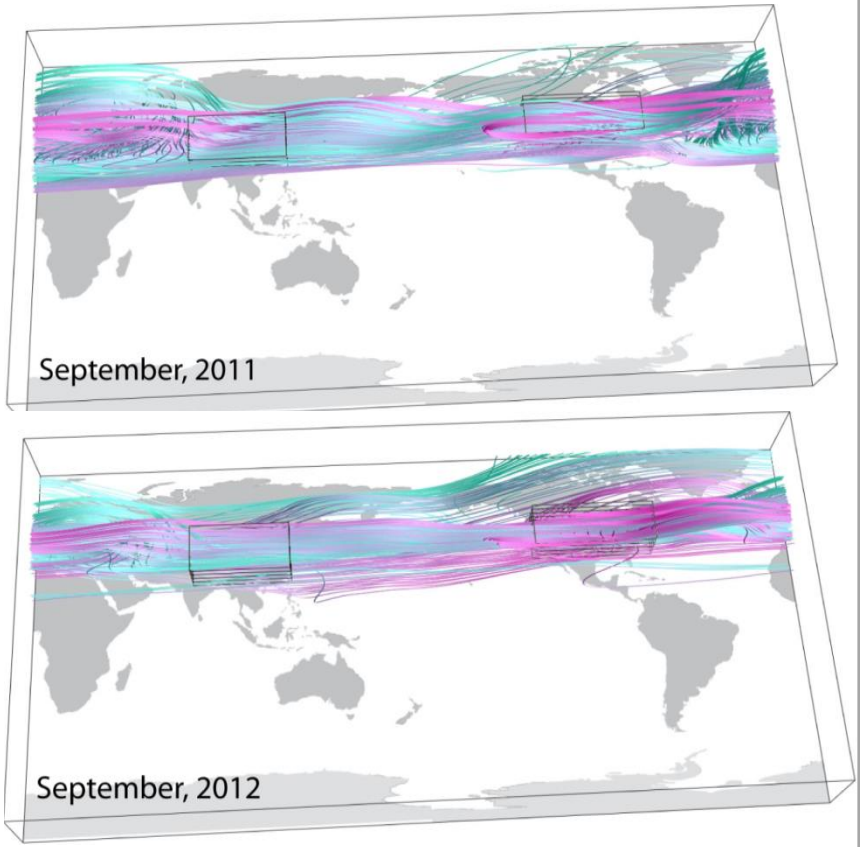
- Enable large-scale unsteady flow analysis while requiring a very limited amount of hardware resources.
- Improve both performance and scalability of the naive task-parallel particle tracing

Applications

Streak Surface Computation

- Streak surfaces dipicts the flow field over the entire lifetime by continuously releasing particles from given seed curves.
- Data: TB-scale turbulence simulation data
  - curvilinear grid, with spatial resolution 1024x1024x720
  - 100 time steps





Origin-Destination Query

- Study advection of massless particles (such as pullutants, etc.) in flow fields.
- Data: GEOS-5, global climate simulation data

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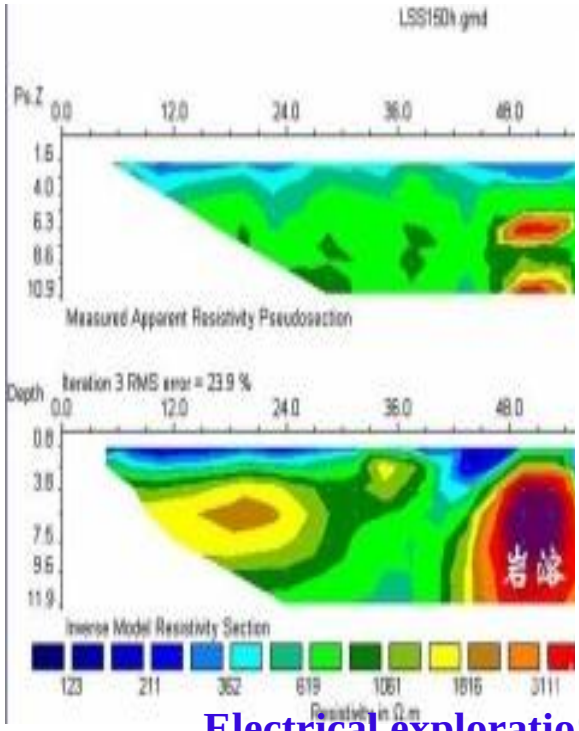
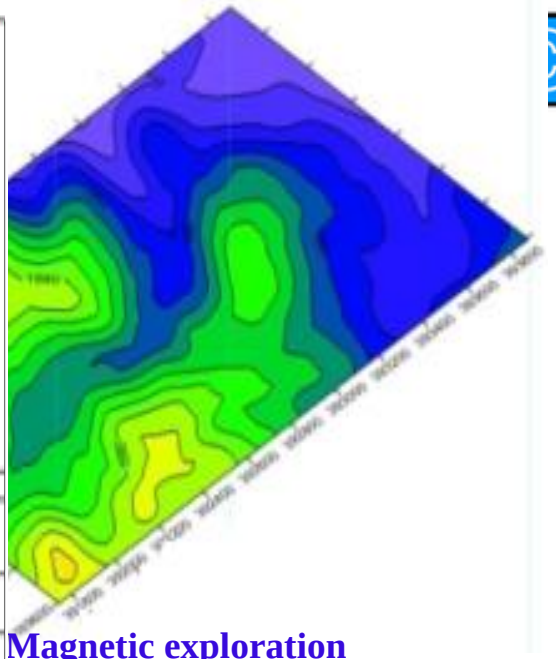
Multi-source geologic data visualization graphics engine—OpenProbe

- Supports seismic, logging, gravity , magnetic, electric and other data
- Supports Windows, Linux and other operating systems
- Supports multi-touch interactive operation mode
- Supports plug-in type secondary development
- Supports large-scale data 3D stereoscopic visualization



Electrical exploratio



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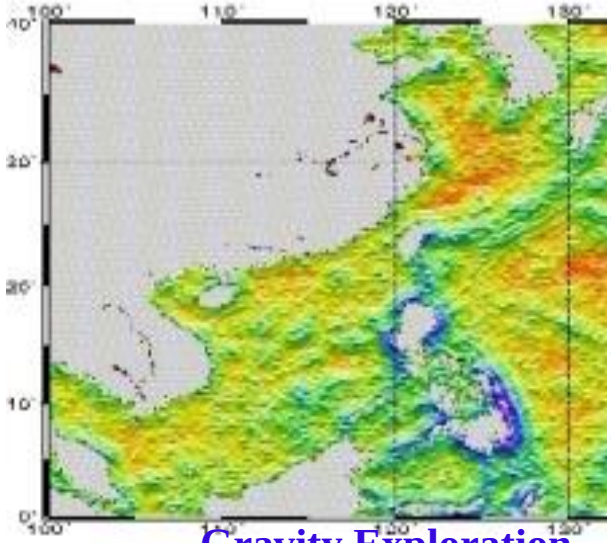
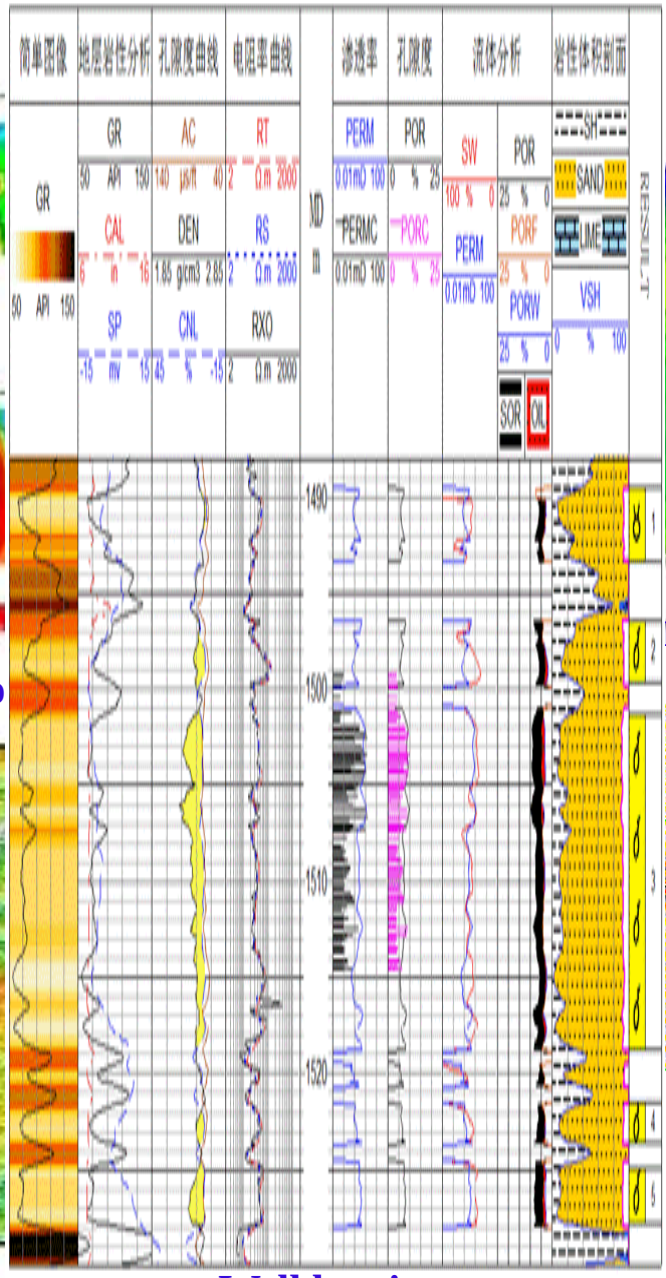
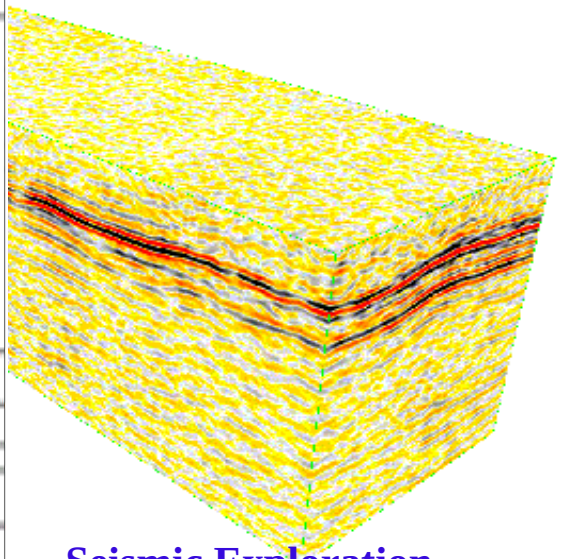


Gravity Exploration

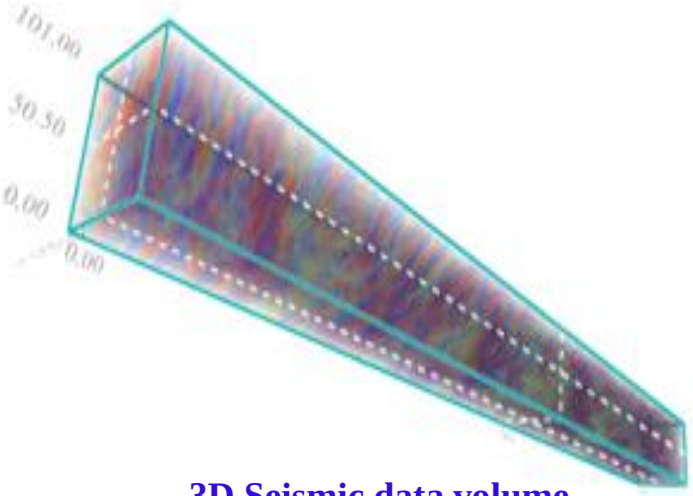


Well logging



Seismic Exploration

VolumeViz Module



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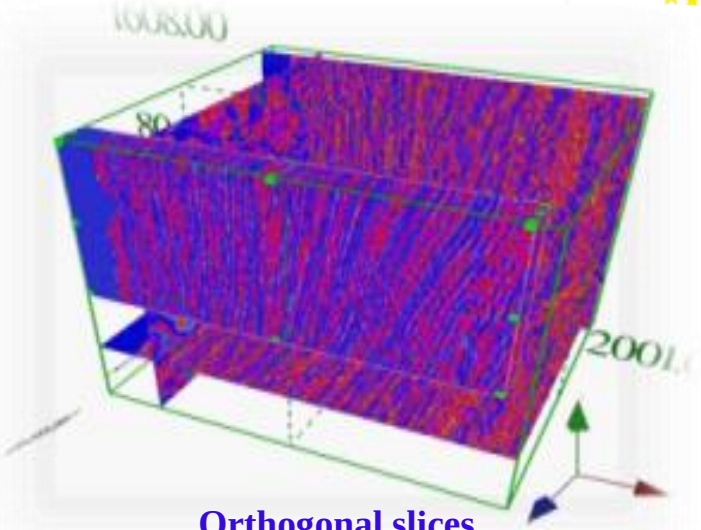

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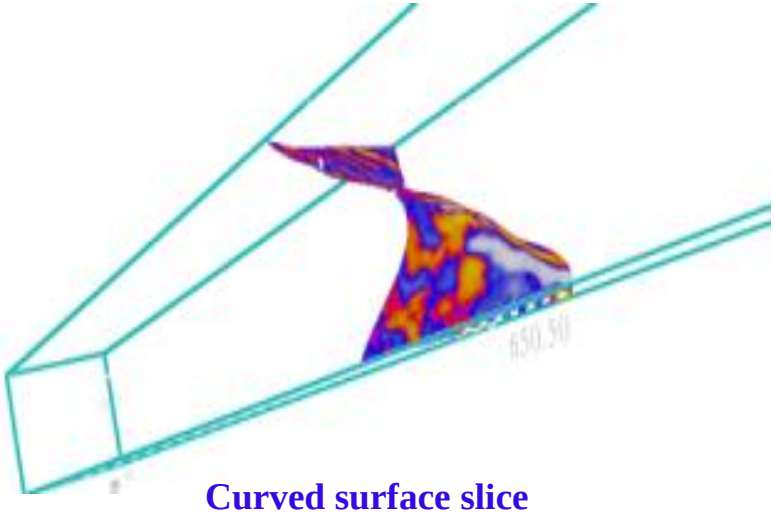

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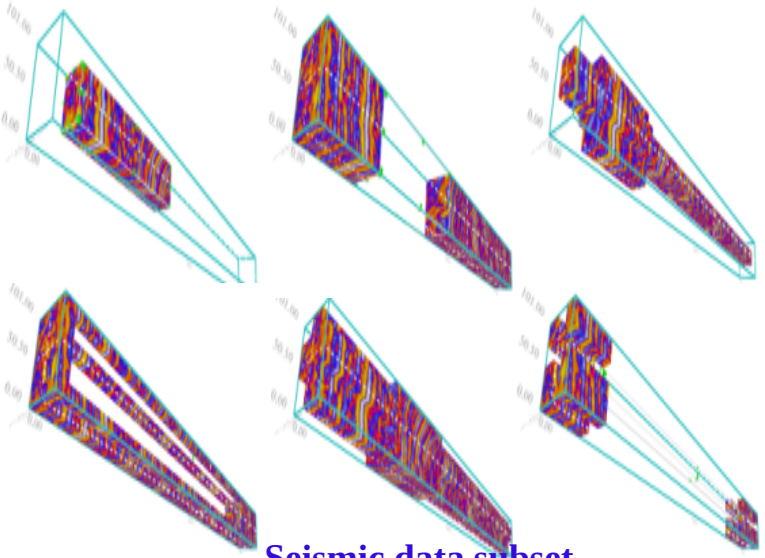
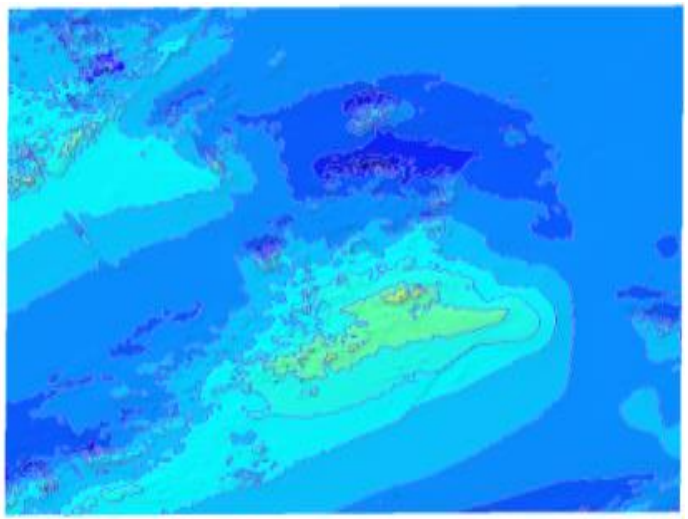
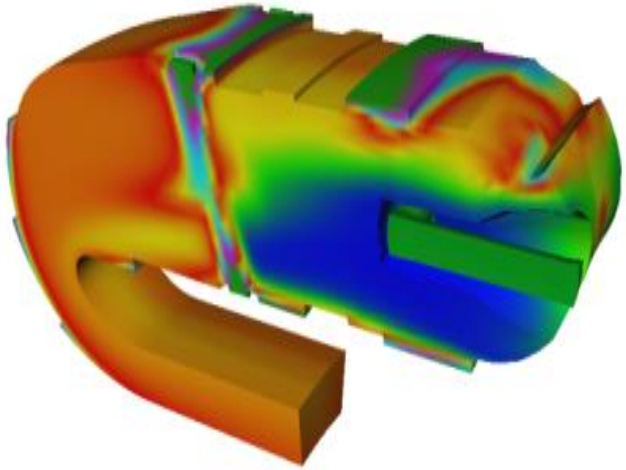


Seismic data subset

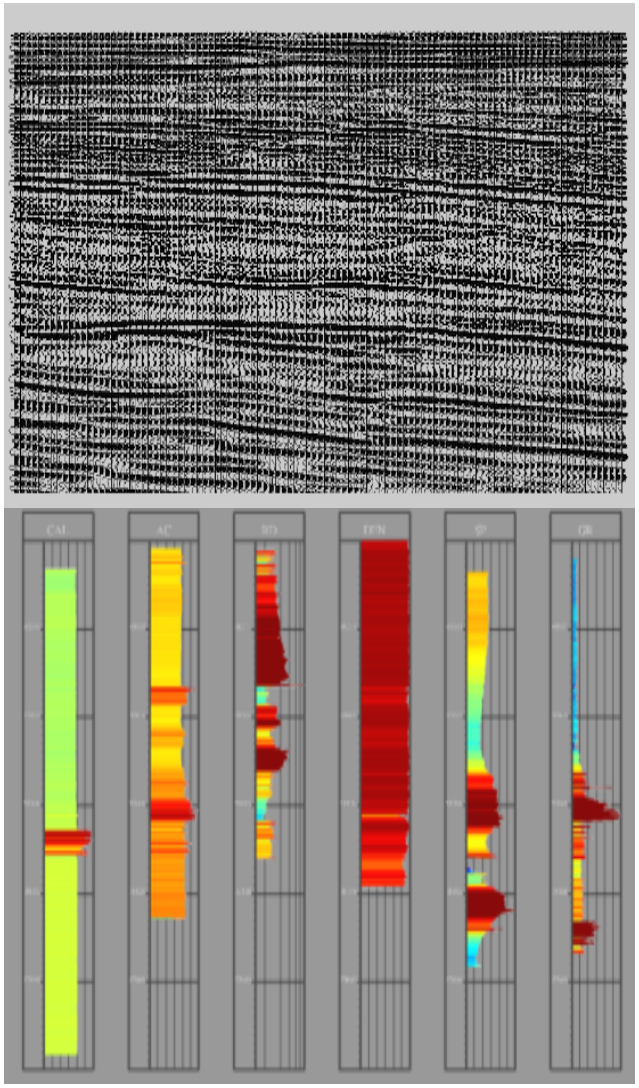
MeshViz Module



2D Grid



3D Grid



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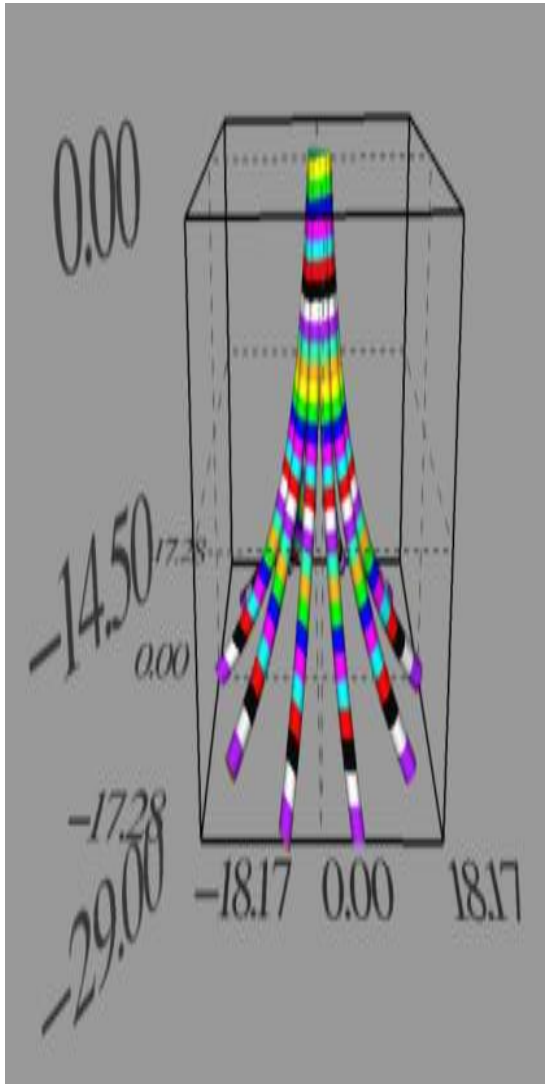
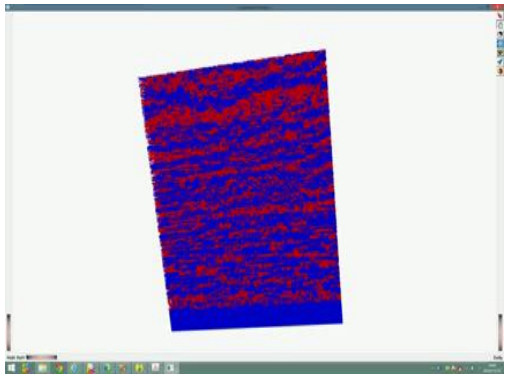


Curve hose (logging tracks)

LDM: High efficiency management module of large scale seismic data

- Able to handle ultra-large-scale data, the data size unlimited.
- Real-time rendering of massive data.
- Supports multi-resolution seismic data rendering.



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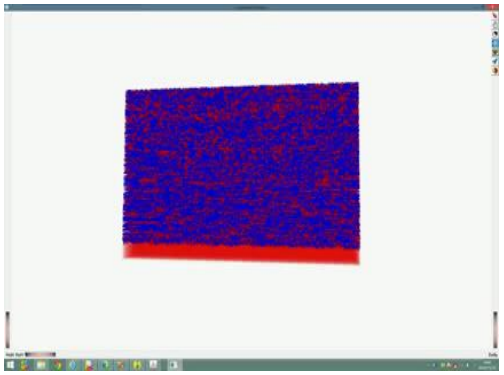

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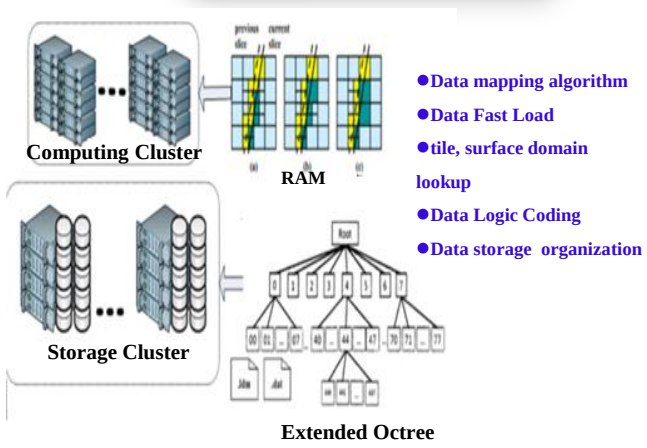

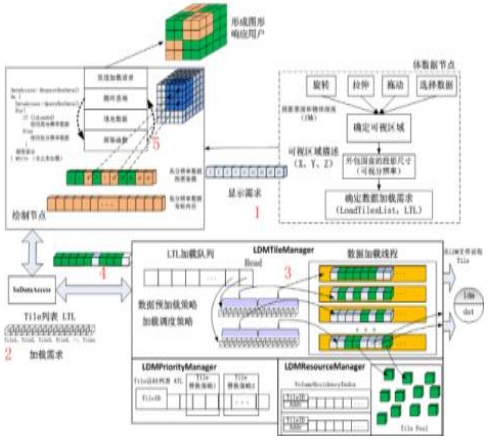

LDM Core technology architecture diagram

Outline

- TH-1A system and its application
- Large-Scale data Visualization
  - Large-Scale Flow Visualization
  - Multi source geological data visualization graphics engine——OpenProbe
- Summary

Summary

- Propose novel approaches to integrate flow field analysis with multivariate and ensemble analysis.
- Propose a parallel sparse data management to support advection-based flow analysis.
- Develop a set of common, object oriented 3D graphics toolkit, supporting geoscience application software secondary development.
- OpenProbe offers a range of application modules for geoscience data features, and uses LDM to achieve massive geoscience data 3D stereoscopic dynamic visualization.

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