

ICM: current developments in HPC area

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HPC in Poland: 2014 update

- Funding 2008-2014: \$200M+
- Main components:
 - Capacity infrastructure:
 - Cracow (Cyfronet)
 - Poznan (PSNC)
 - Gdansk (TASK)
 - Wroclaw (WNSC)
 - Governmental site (energy)
 - Capability facility:
 - Warsaw (ICM)



Coordinated concept: competence centers

- High Performance Networking: PSNC
- Capacity services: Cyfronet
- Capability and data-driven services: ICM

- Concerted POWIEW and PL-GRID R&D programs:
 - Complementary computing infrastructures
 - Joint job allocation concept
 - National services

- Aggregated computing capacity, 7/2014:
 - Cyfronet: .5 PF (2+ PF coming)
 - PSNC: 150 TF (subject expansion)
 - ICM: .5 PF (2-3 PF coming)
 - In addition, TASK & WNSC: each appr. 100 TF



ICM: compu-infrastructure

- As of July, 2014:
 - x86-based compu-clusters: appr. 10K cores
 - Blue Gene Q: 16K cores
 - Power 775: 2.5K cores
 - Blue Gene P: 4K cores (development & education)
- 2014 (pending):
 - Capacity compu-server: .2-.3 PF
- 2015 (pending, OCEAN facility):
 - HighPerformance data analytics system
 - Capability computing system
 - HighPerformance data storage



ICM, a few facts:

- founded in 1993, as a centre for:
 - HPC infrastructure: operations and development programs on national scale
 - National research information infrastructure
 - research in computational and information sciences
 - one of key contributing institutions to the national research ICT infrastructure development in Poland
 - ICM has set up:
 - national academic applications software system (1996)
 - national w3caching program (1996)
 - national research database accessibility (1997)
 - open-access multi-scale numerical weather prediction system (1997)
 - a group of leading-edge experimental labs (2005), extended into a university centre for new technology (2012)
- and also
- annual festivals of science (from 1997)



Some of ICM's contributions to large research infrastructures and their development

- National virtual library of science (1997): content, software system
- National academic information infrastructure: INFONA system
- Polish Research Bibliography and Polish Citation Index
- EU: DRIVER and OpenAIRE open repository infrastructures
- EU: EuDML (European Digital Mathematics Library)
- EU: UNICORE – grid infrastructure (security functionalities)



ICM: evolution

- Centre for computational sciences (1993+):
 - Mathematical modelling
 - Foundations: physics, chemistry, biology, ...
- Promotion and implementation of open publishing models (2004+) – Poland and Europe:
 - software
 - Publishing and scholarly communication
 - Research data
 - e-infrastructures
- OCEAN: Data Science and data-driven sciences centre (2013+)

Principle: INTERDISCIPLINARITY



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OCEAN: Centre for Data, their Analysis and Computational Modelling

Infrastructure:

- Delocalized data centre (2 remote locations)
- Data storage systems
- Critical processing and big data analytics systems (*time-critical processing*)
- Extreme computing (*capability computing*)

Concept:

- Centre for data science and data-driven services
- Dual set-up:
 - research-oriented profile
 - governmental service infrastructure



ICM: integrated OCEAN concept

- Distributed location:
 - Current site – future back-up facility (2015)
 - New site:
 - Under construction
 - Operations: Q3, 2015
 - Total floor: 6000+ sq.m
 - Power supply: 4MW (10MW pending)
 - Energy-efficient facility
 - Concept:
 - Data storage services: initial ~ 40 PB fast storage
 - HP Data Analytics: ~ 850 GTeps
 - Capability computing: ~ 3 PF



OCEAN: program

- National data infrastructures:
 - Research: INFONA integrated knowledge system
 - Government: CRIP public information repository system
- HighPerformance data analytics:
 - large-scale data-sets
 - time-critical dependable services
 - development of specialized solutions and infrastructure for big-data analytics
- Capability computing:
 - time-critical applications
 - data-driven computing
 - development of specialized solutions for big-data driven computing



OCEAN: core development and service areas

- Large operational networks (interactive structured populations)
- Sectors:
 - Natural environment (weather, pollutions, hazards)
 - Energy (intelligent energy networks - *smart grids*)
 - Transportation (air and surface)
 - Logistics (delivery services)
 - Healthcare and personalized medicine (also biobanks)
- Public administration:
 - Central Repository of Public Information CRIP (for government and public administration -created data and information)
- Intelligent city (Warsaw)
- Social processes related to new technologies and digital society transformation



OCEAN: selected reference areas



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Numerical weather forecasting and dependent services (meteo.pl)

- Multi-model multi-grid processing
- Top horizontal resolution in development 1km
- Vertical resolution: 70+ layers

- Services:
 - Severe weather warning systems
 - Energy sector
 - Transportation and logistics
 - Agriculture

- R&D:
 - Energy smart grids
 - Airspace management
 - Natural hazards
 - Precise agriculture

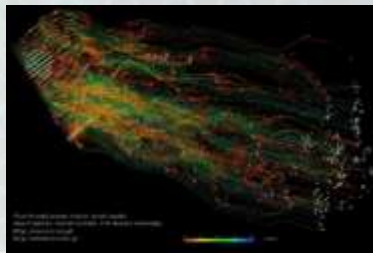
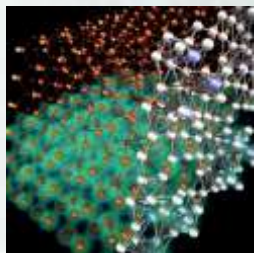
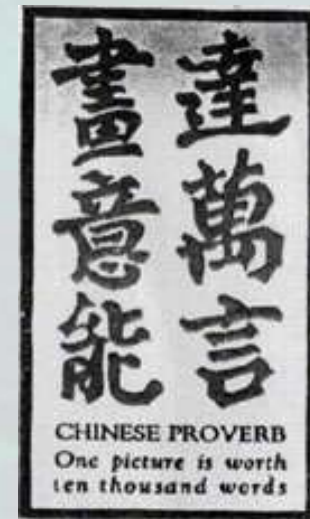
Large-scale visual data processing and analysis

• Visualization

- Translation from data to image
- Natural and parallel information interpreted by human
- Information presentation
- More comprehensive overview of data
- Key role in data interpretation

• Visual Analysis

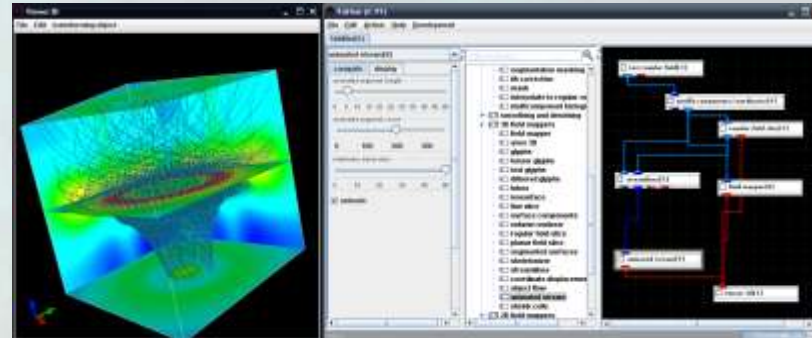
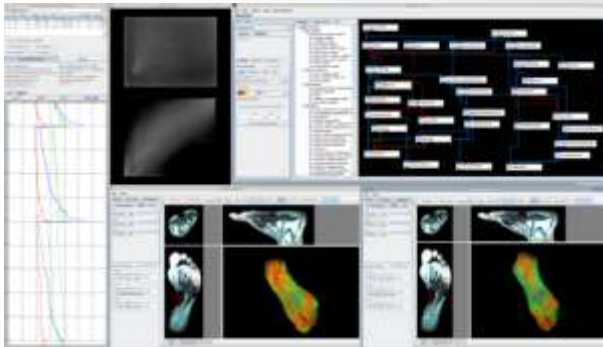
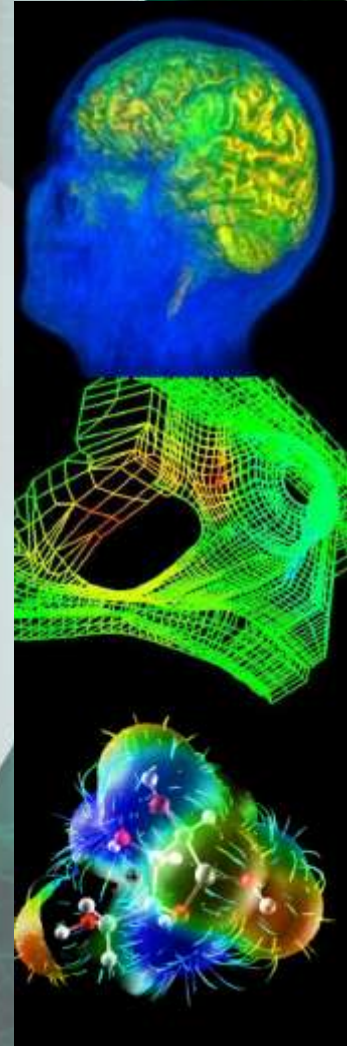
- Enables key information extraction
- Reveals the unexpected information
- Supports model building
- Allows interactive analysis



Visual Computing and Data Analysis

New solutions: VisNow Visual Analysis Software

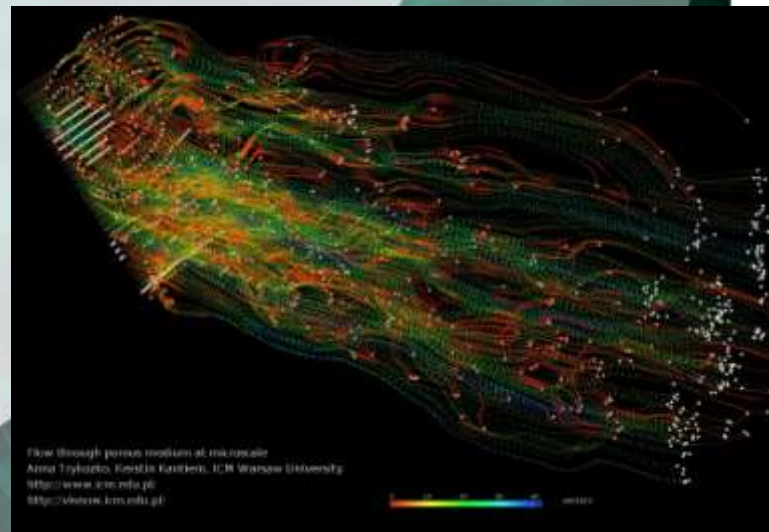
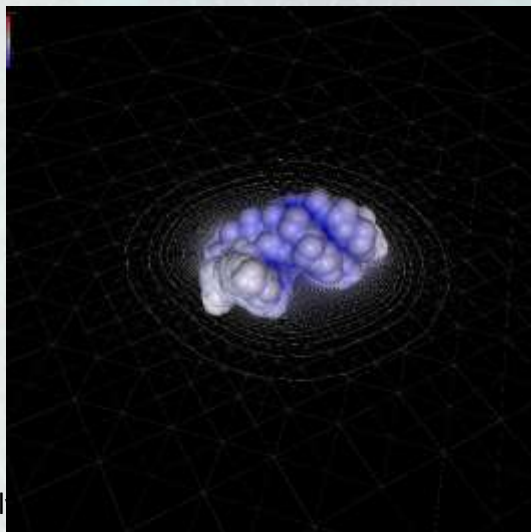
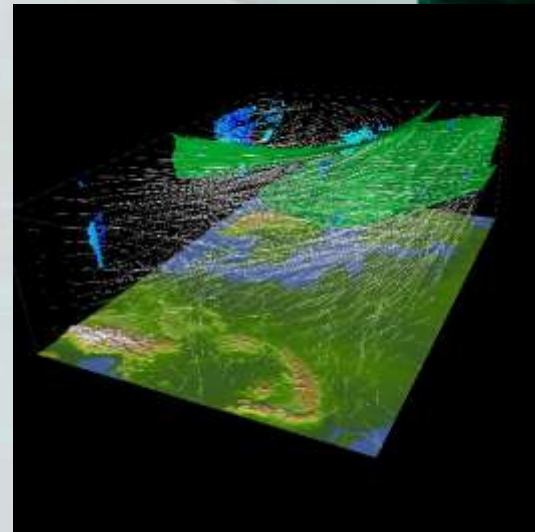
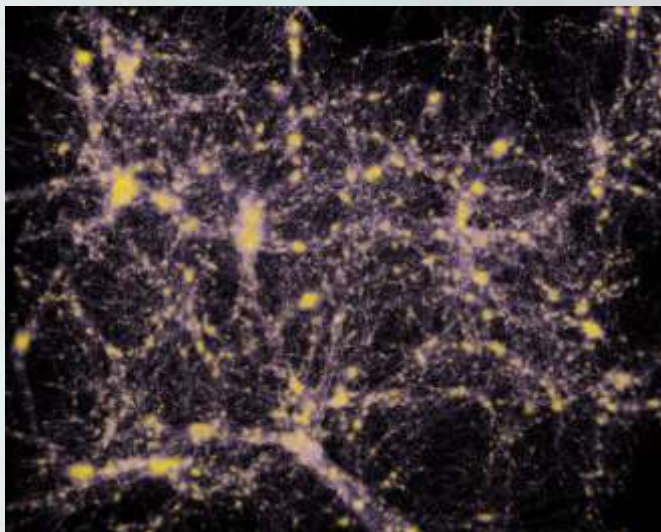
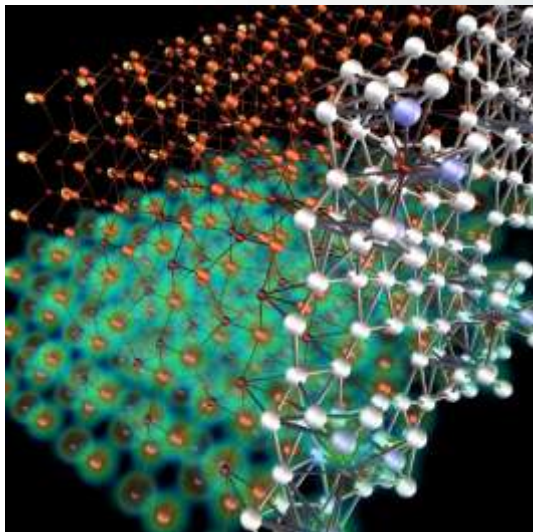
- Distributed Visualization Engine (MPP, SMP, GPGPU)
- In situ Visualization
- **Visualization of simulation results**
 - Cosmology
 - Turbulent flows
 - Neurobiology
 - Biomedicine
- visnow.icm.edu.pl (Open Source license)





VISNOW

Software and services

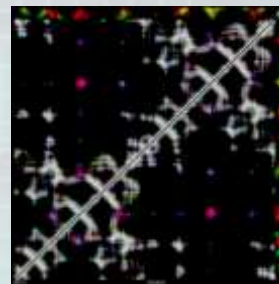
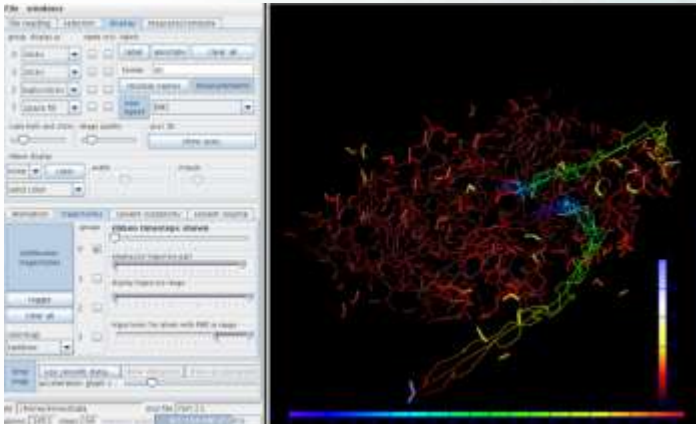
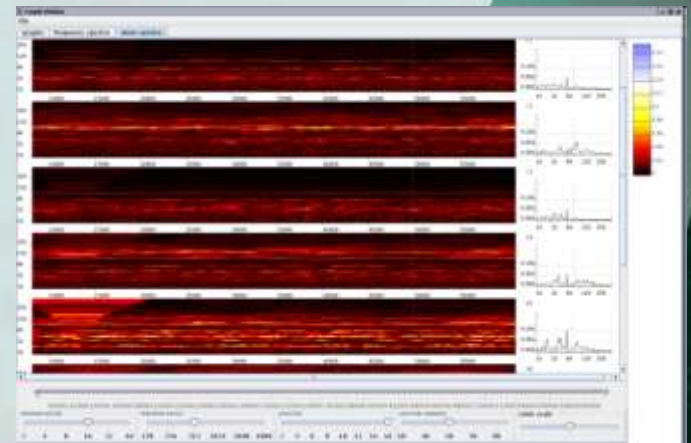
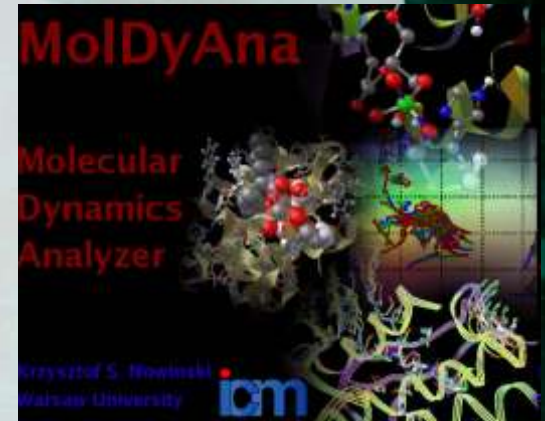


VisNow: software and services

• MolDyAna

- Interactive tool for **molecular dynamics** data analysis and visualization
- Dynamics animations
- Geometry measurements
- Density charts
- Trajectory analysis
- Spectral analysis

<http://moldyana.icm.edu.pl>



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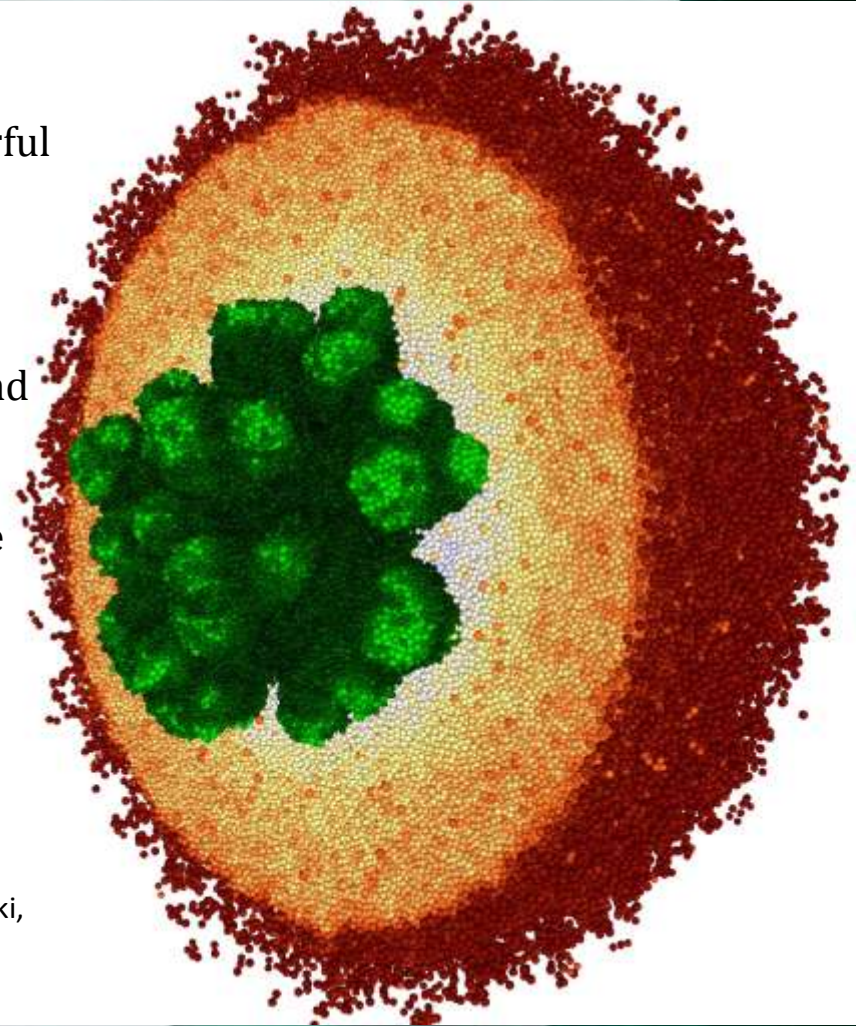
Case studies: computing



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Case study: Simulations of biological cellular processes at tissue scale

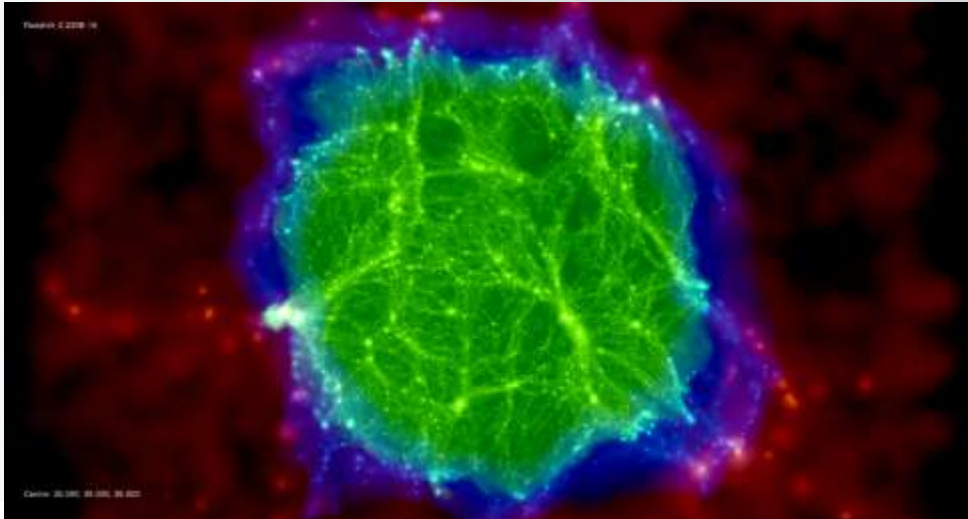
- **Main objective:** set up a methodology and powerful computational algorithms to enable large scale modelling of cellular biosystems
- **Multiscale approach:** simulation of cellular biosystems dynamics, individual cell processes and environment
- **Hybrid computational model:** solving off-lattice many body system, PDE's describing cellular environment and their interactions
- **Challenge:** enabling simulations on clinically detectable scales (10^9 cells = 1cm^3 tissue)



Large Scale Parallel Simulations of 3-D Cell Colony Dynamics, M.Cytowski, Z.Szymańska, IEEE Computing in Science & Engineering, 2014

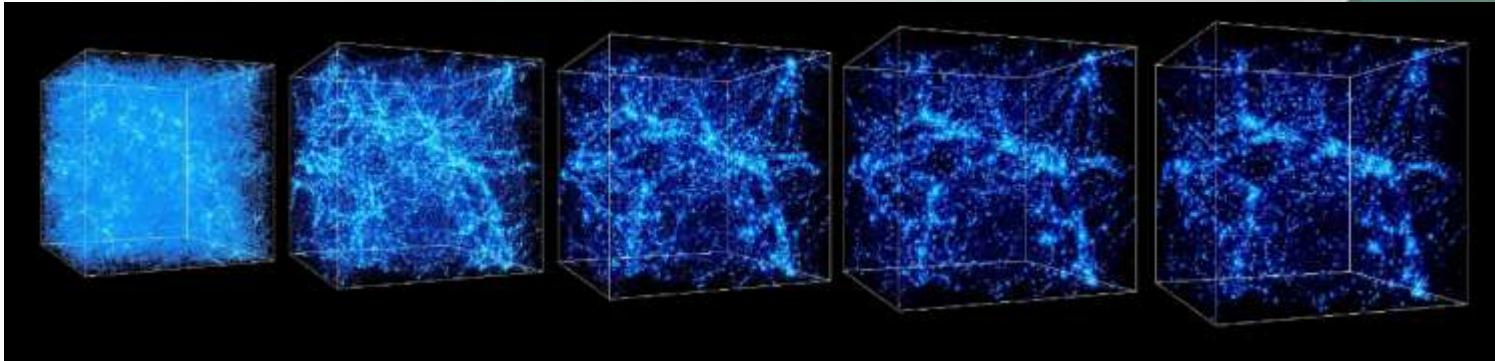
Case study: Copernicus Complexio

- **Zoom-in type simulation:**
 - **Ultra high-resolution:** over 13 billion particles inside computational domain (green)
 - **Medium resolution:** transition zone (blue)
 - **Lowest resolution:** sufficiently large segment of the Universe (red)
- **Technical details:** 70 TF & 10 TB computational partition, approx. 4 weeks wall clocktime
- **Analysis:** results of the CoCo simulation are being analysed by international cosmological consortium
- **Visualization:** <http://vimeo.com/76812335>



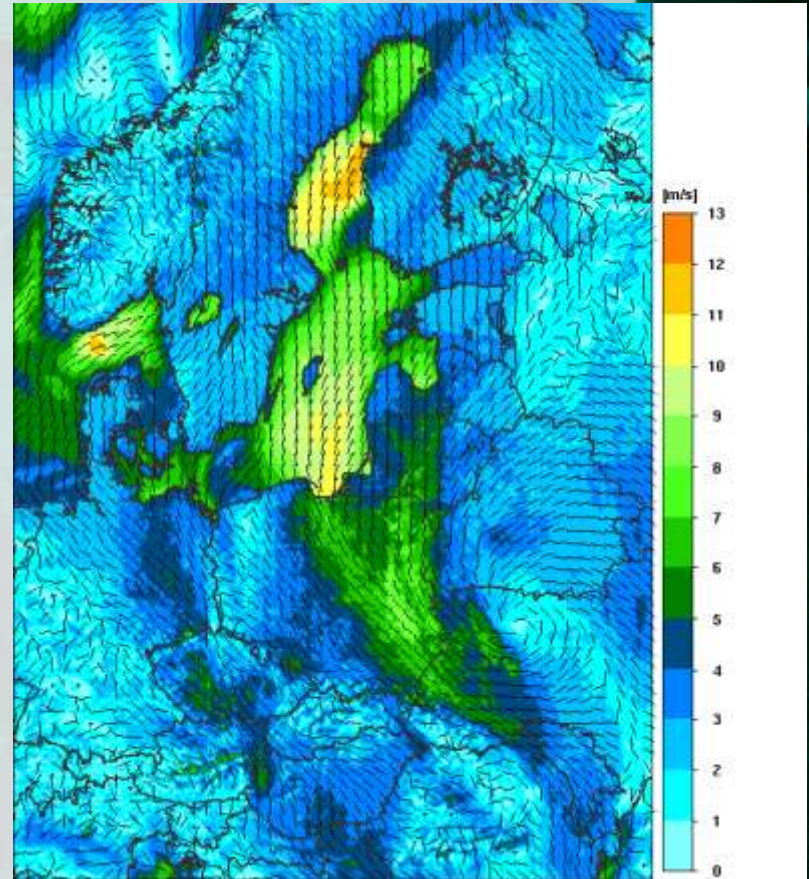
Modelling of the Structure of the Universe

- Large scale simulations with N-body codes (Gadget3, GotPM)
- **Warsaw Universe Simulation**, 2048^3 particles
- MPP-based results analysis:
 - Statistical methods
 - Topological classification
 - Geometrical classification
 - Delaunay Tesselation, Alpha-shapes and Betti numbers



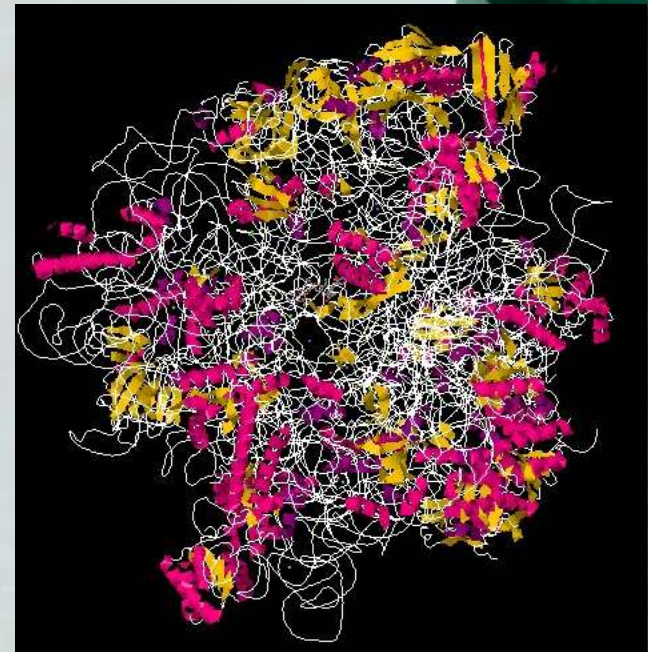
Case study: Numerical Weather Forecasting

- **Operational numerical weather forecasting for Central Europe**
<http://meteo.pl>
- **Unified Model 60h forecasting**, current resolution approx. 4km, planned resolution approx. 1km
- **IBM Power 775** – 5x speedup over x86 cluster
- **Technical details:**
 - 4 runs per day
 - 24 nodes, 768 Power7 cores
 - approx. 20' walltime per run



High-throughput modelling of functionally and therapeutically relevant spatial RNA structures

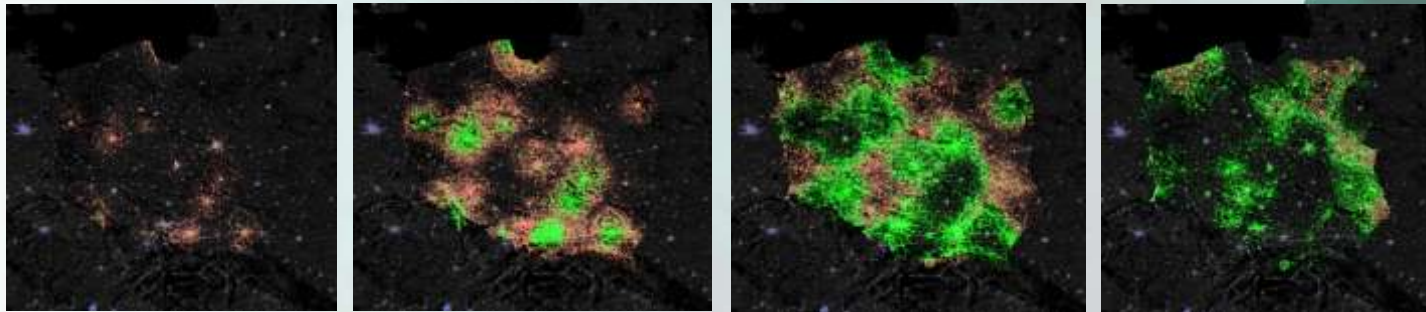
- Modelling of spatial RNA structures
- Design of new therapeutic targets aimed at the RNA
- Validation of ICM's RNAComposer software for fully automated spatial RNA models generation from structural fragments



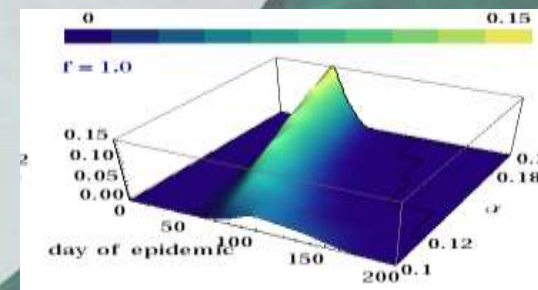
Infectious disease spread over Poland: computational Agent Based Model and its predictions



- Simulations based on detailed, statistically relevant artificial social structure and mathematical model of the infection
- Model predicts space-distributed epidemic outbreak:



- and location of the epidemic peak in time, dependent on different socio-biological circumstances:



POWIEW program

<http://wielkiewyzwania.pl>

Large scale scientific computing projects:

- Numerical Weather Prediction
- Semiconductor modeling
- Modelling and visualization of RNA structures
- Neuroinformatics simulations
- Modelling of the structure of the Universe
- Molecular modeling
- Reservoir modeling
- Astrophysics



Main computing architectures:

- MPP systems – IBM BlueGene/P & BlueGene/Q
- Fat Node systems – IBM POWER7 IH
- SMP systems – HP Blade Center Versatile SMP (vSMP)
- GPU-based hybrid systems – HP SL390s nVidia Fermi



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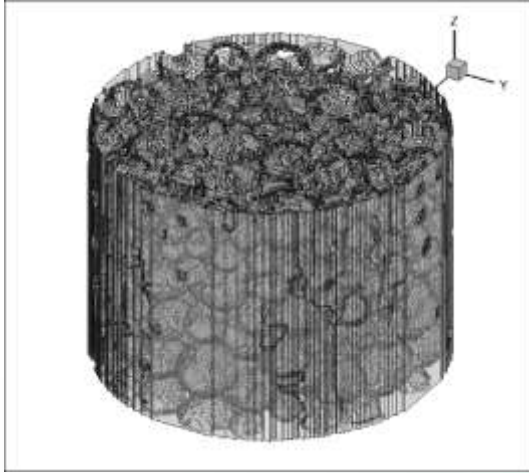
ICM: driving research areas

- **Human physiology:**
 - Towards personalised medicine: cardiac system, circulation
 - Multiscale developments: from cellular level upwards
- **Materials science and engineering:**
 - Design of new functional materials and biomaterials down to nanoscale: characterization, process modelling
- **Methodology:**
 - New concepts of computational algorithms and data structures for future architectures (towards exascale)
 - Nonlinear process dynamics in systems of high complexity:
 - spatial structure formation in systems over complex, possibly variable geometry/topology, applications to population dynamics
 - irreversible and nonlocal phenomena
 - decision making and control over multiple time-scales
 - stochastic networks

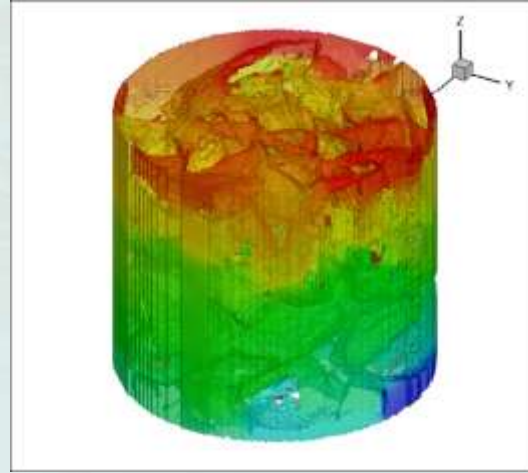
Modeling flows through porous media

- Main interest:
 - Modeling flows at pore scale (large range of velocities)
 - Upscaling to core scale: effective parameters and model fitting
 - Studying inertia effects at pore scale (non-Darcy core-scale models)
 - Modeling pore-clogging processes and their impact on core-scale parameters
 - Computations based on realistic geometries (microimaging with X-ray computed microtomography)
- Porous media virtual laboratory:
 - Pore scale
 - Upscaling and dual-scale model fitting

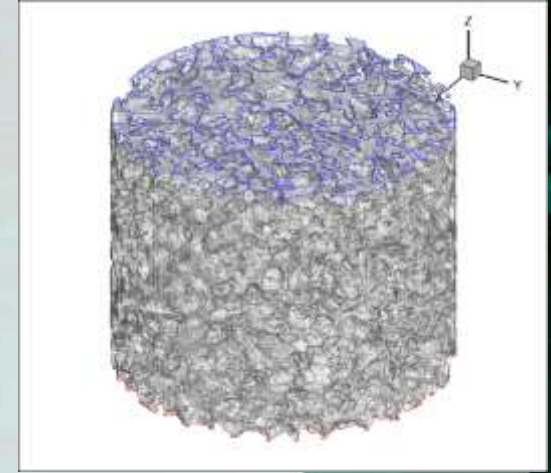
Challenges in 3D pore-scale simulations: SIZE!!!



Glass beads¹



Tuff²



Sandstone³

- Complexity ↑30M cells, 10Gb files, challenging visualization and post-processing
- Grid reduction (data coarsening) necessary
- Sampling vs. *Reference Elementary Volume* size
- Mesh refinement

1[DWildenschild], 414x414x300, largest problem: 30Mcells, 9Gb, voxel 34 μ .

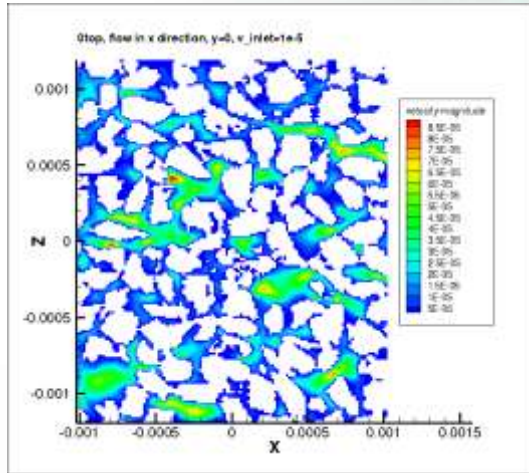
2[DWildenschild], 431x436x380, 23Mcells, too small to be *REV*

3[BLingquist], 731x731x600, largest problem 8Gb, 27Mcells, voxel=16 μ .

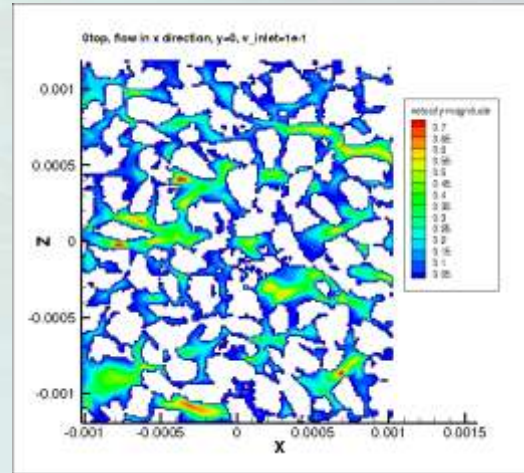


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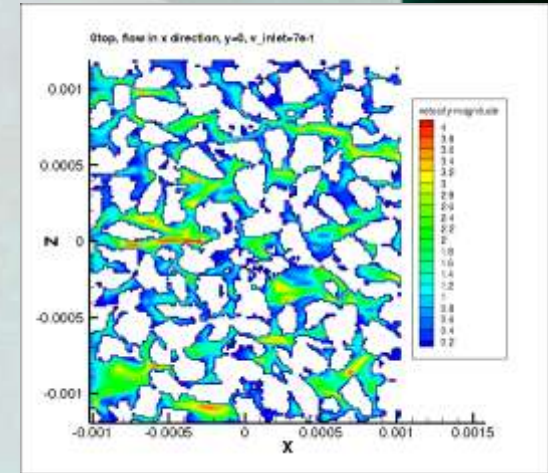
Upscaling from pore to core scale



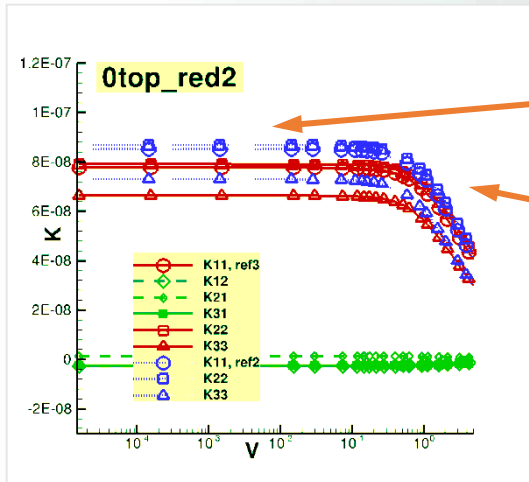
slow flow



faster flow



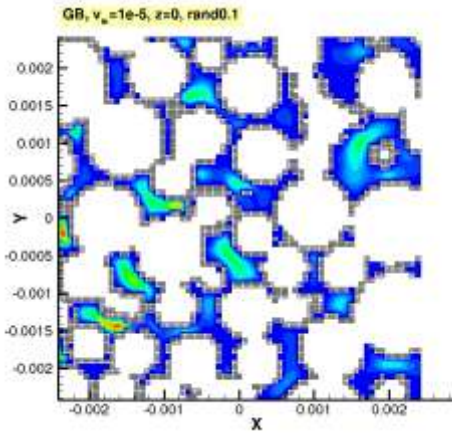
fast flow



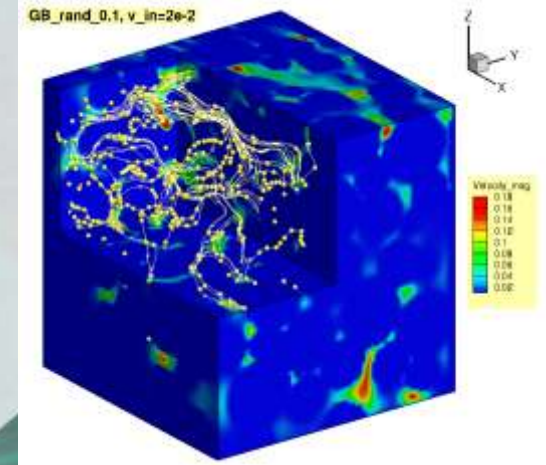
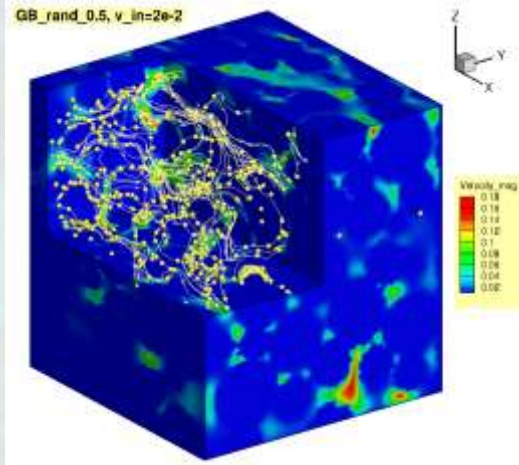
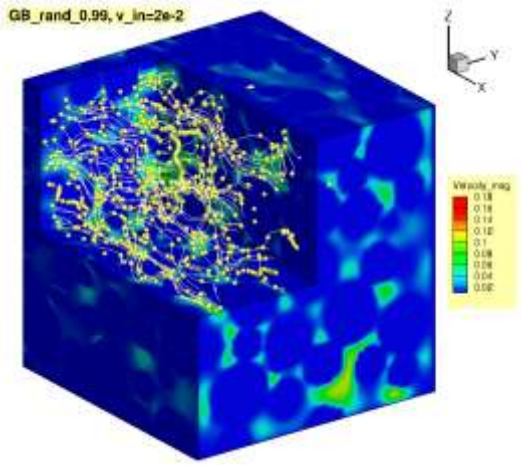
SUMMARY in terms of upscaled values

- Darcy's regime: constant ratio of P (upscaled pressure) and V (upscaled velocity)
- Inertia effects – non-Darcy models
- Accounting for anisotropy

Impact of pore space clogging on core parameters



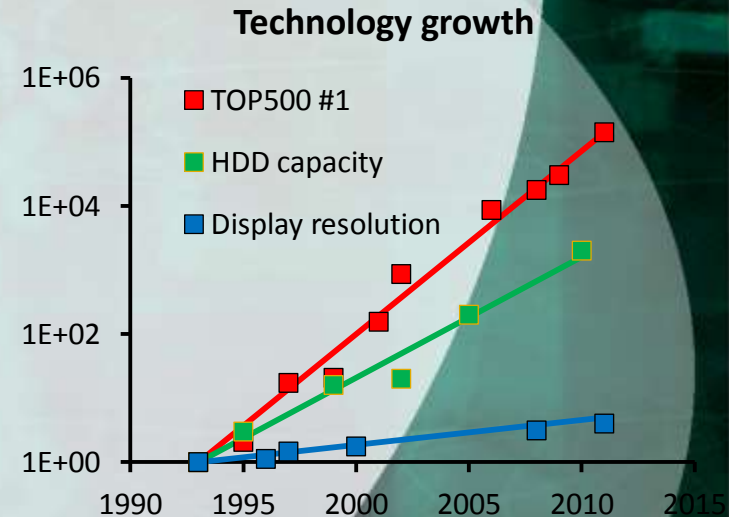
- Changes in pore geometries may result for a variety of processes: biofilm growth, sedimentation, reactive flows, anthropogenic activities.
- Significant changes in permeability due to clogging.
- Figures: random model of clogging (irregular pore lining)



Large scale visualization in HPC

- **Big calculations, Big data, Big challenges**
 - Technology growth rate – computing power and storage size outrank display resolution
 - Rapidly growing size of computational problems in HPC
 - Data amounts exceeding full analysis possibilities
 - Duality of Big Data
 - **Small number of large data sets**
 - **Large number of small data sets**
- **Solution – Large scale visualization**

- **HPC** infrastructure based
- **Distributed** and **parallel** processing
- Adequate **new programming paradigms**
- **Information extraction** and data simplification methods
- Suitable **software tools** and services



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Advances

New feasibility ranges to scientific discovery due to:

- recent spectacular advances in computing technology
- emerging new computer architectures and paradigms

Problems featuring complexity yesterday far beyond any quantitative scientific treatment, soon will get treatable by computational modelling and simulation:

- a **breakthrough necessary** in:
 - concepts underlying algorithmic structures
 - a new generation of computational models

Core of emerging research foundations:

- concepts:
 - breaking traditional linear (or linearised) paradigms
 - setting up novel adaptive constructions
 - built on top of mixed, hybrid computing architectures
 - data-driven discovery process



Next-future computational sciences research scenarios

- **Several scales of resolution** within a single common framework:
 - phenomenological models (up to macroscale) integrated with those based solely on the first principles
- Admitted **high structural complexity** of the models:
 - apart from rather homogeneous large systems, strongly heterogeneous systems (up to multi-scale complex operational networks) can also be treated
- **Virtual experimentation** will be facilitated:
 - also covering extremely complex interactive systems
 - that may reduce a necessity of high-risk (possibly harmful) real-world experiments
 - leading to data-driven discovery

Next-future computational sciences research scenarios, cont.

- Realistic:
 - integration of large-scale datasets, in particular those acquired in real-time modes including imaging and signalling, into online computing
- Novel architectures will enable replacing computational models built on sequential von Neumann paradigms by:
 - hybrid, adaptive approaches
 - optimized for massively parallel heterogeneous architectures

Validation of interscale model consistency

- Cell populations dynamics
- Degenerate tissue growth
- Cell populations dynamics, pathological cell populations growth spreading mechanisms
 - Human agents and their behaviour: transport-related reference patterns
 - Process dynamics in large-scale networked environments: local and global passenger-centric model
 - Information transfer trees: hybrid and continuous models in information spaces



Modelling of growth and structure transformations in heterogeneous systems



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Mathematics within multiscale modelling framework

Nonlinear dynamics of spatial developments:

- Phase transformations
- Chemical reactions/ process thermodynamics
- Rheology / memory / nonlocal interaction mechanisms
- Structured populations
- Coupled multiscale systems
- Geometric / topological evolution
- Uncertainty components / **sensitivity** aspects

Specific applied modeling problems

Phase separation and related phenomena:

- nonlinear variational problems
- process dynamics
- structure formation

Phase transformations, crystal growth, physiology:

- biomedical processes: blood circulation, tumor growth
- process design & control

Population dynamics:

- structured populations
- operational (stochastic) networks

Research: opportunity areas

- Supply/exchange of **image data**, accelerating solutions
- Processing: **multimodal solutions** (integrating diverse categories of image/signalling data)
- **Virtual prototyping**/design in diagnostics and therapy planning (computer simulation)
- **Adaptive** (self-learning) **supporting systems for diagnostics and therapy**:
 - virtual cell
 - virtual patient
 - virtual organism



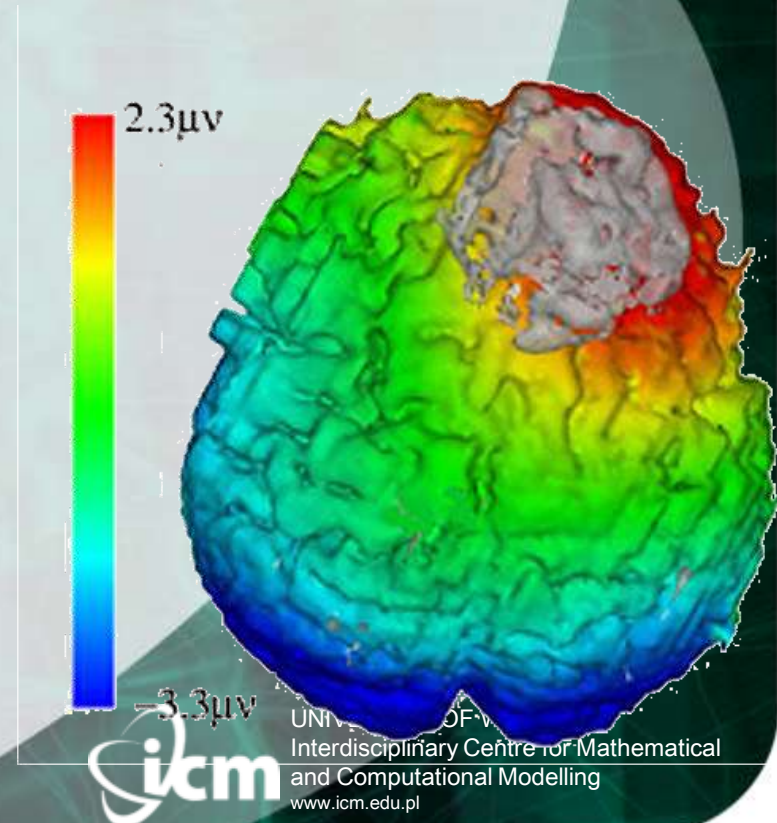
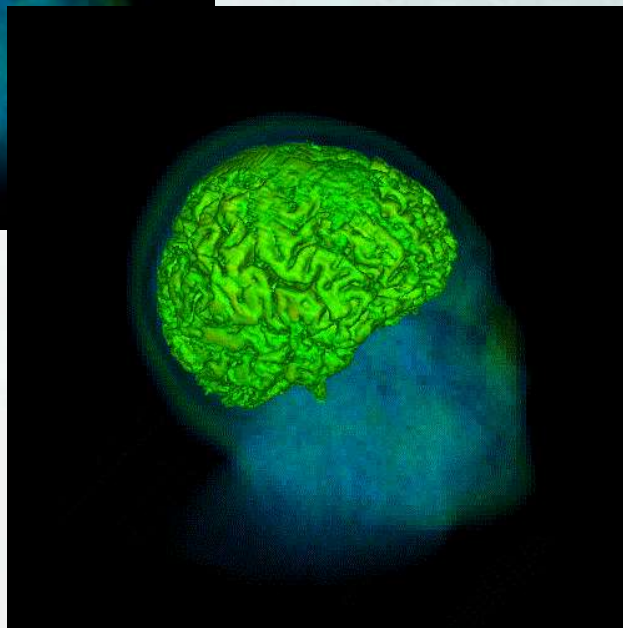
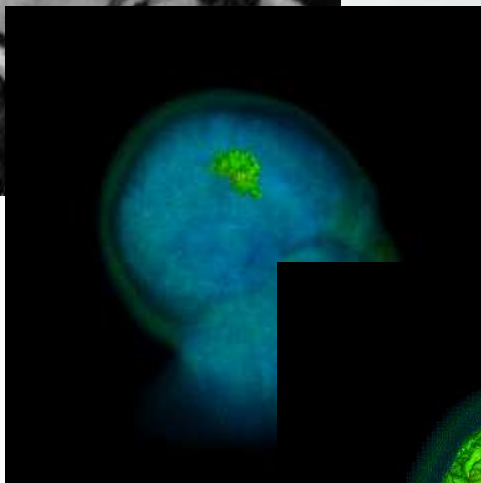
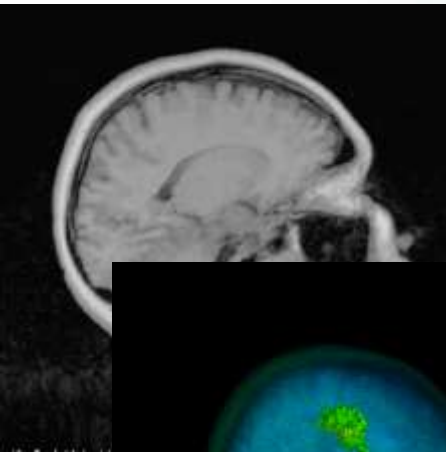
Applications in biomedical process modelling and physiology



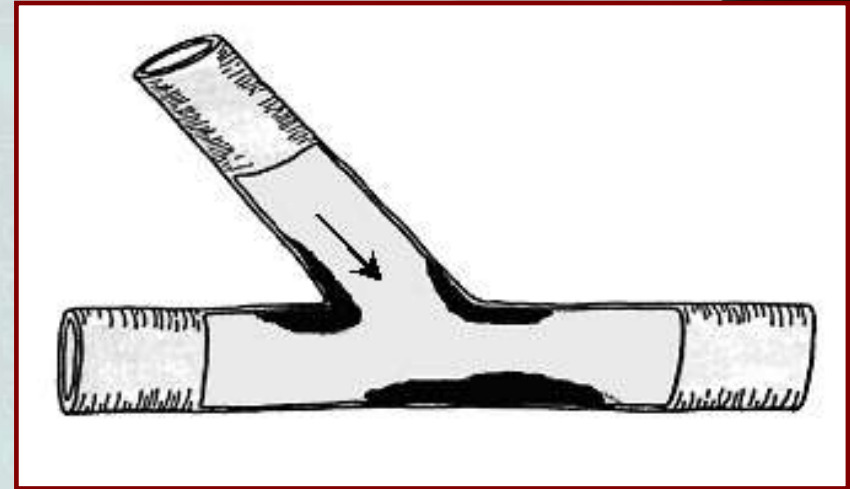
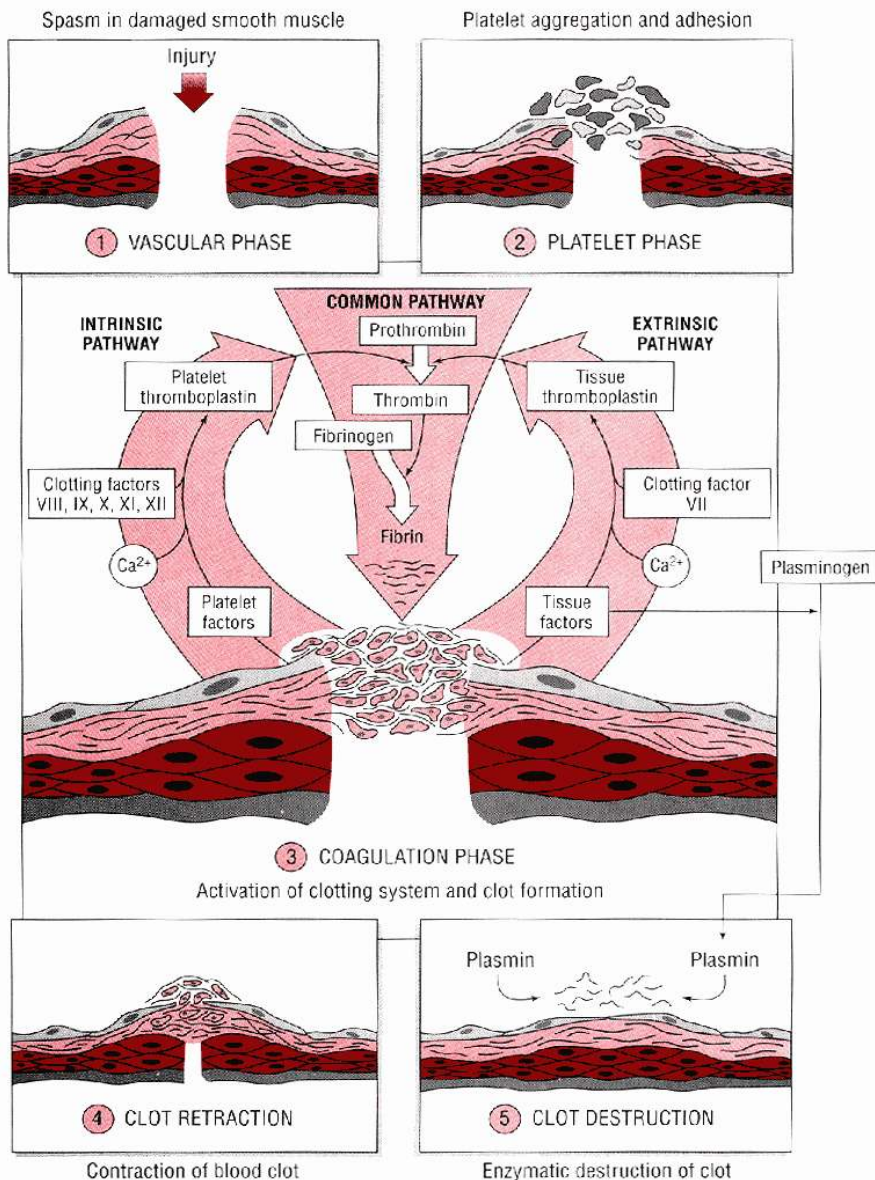
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Visual neurocomputing:

3D reconstruction of multimodal data
for therapy/surgery planning:
effective vs. real medium computational model



Thrombosis: an outline of temporal sequencing and effects



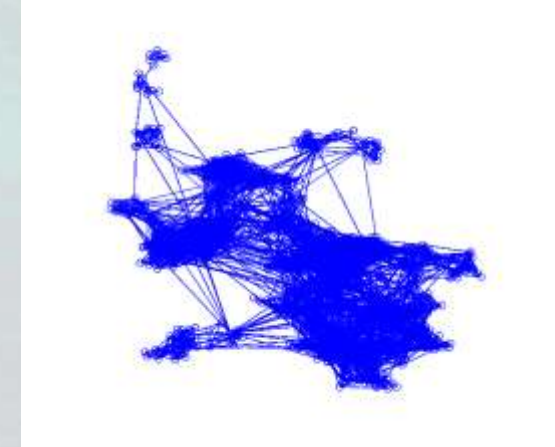
Process dynamics in blood circulation

- variable geometry
- free boundaries
- complex flow nature
- chemical reactivity
- multiscale
- granularity
- role of mechanics
- rheological features
- thermal sensitivity (→HSPs)

Case studies: references

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- **Prion spread in brain tissue:**
 - switching between different transformation mechanisms (*simple conversion vs. nucleated polymerisation*)
 - role of scrapie prions
 - multiscale irreversible nature
 - nonlocal interactions
 - hybrid geometry
 - free boundary of disease spread
- Role of **heat shocks** and **Heat Shock Proteins (HSPs)** degenerative developments of biosystems:
 - irreveversible effects
 - process stabilisation



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Few open problems for HSP modelling

- Phenomenological model generator for HSP interventions (reactivity hypotheses)
- Nonlocal-in-space-and-time interaction of HSP with other agents (nonlinear diffusion with nonmonotonicities, memory terms, nonlocal contributions)
- Formation of critical HSP concentration profiles (free boundaries)

Special prospective application area: hyperthermia treatments in medicine

Personalized medicine: hyperthermia, an outline

- Thermal treatment based therapeutic procedures:
 - hyperthermia & hypothermia
 - ablation
- Multimodal procedures:
 - immune response stimulation (involvement of HSPs)
- Research framework: some references

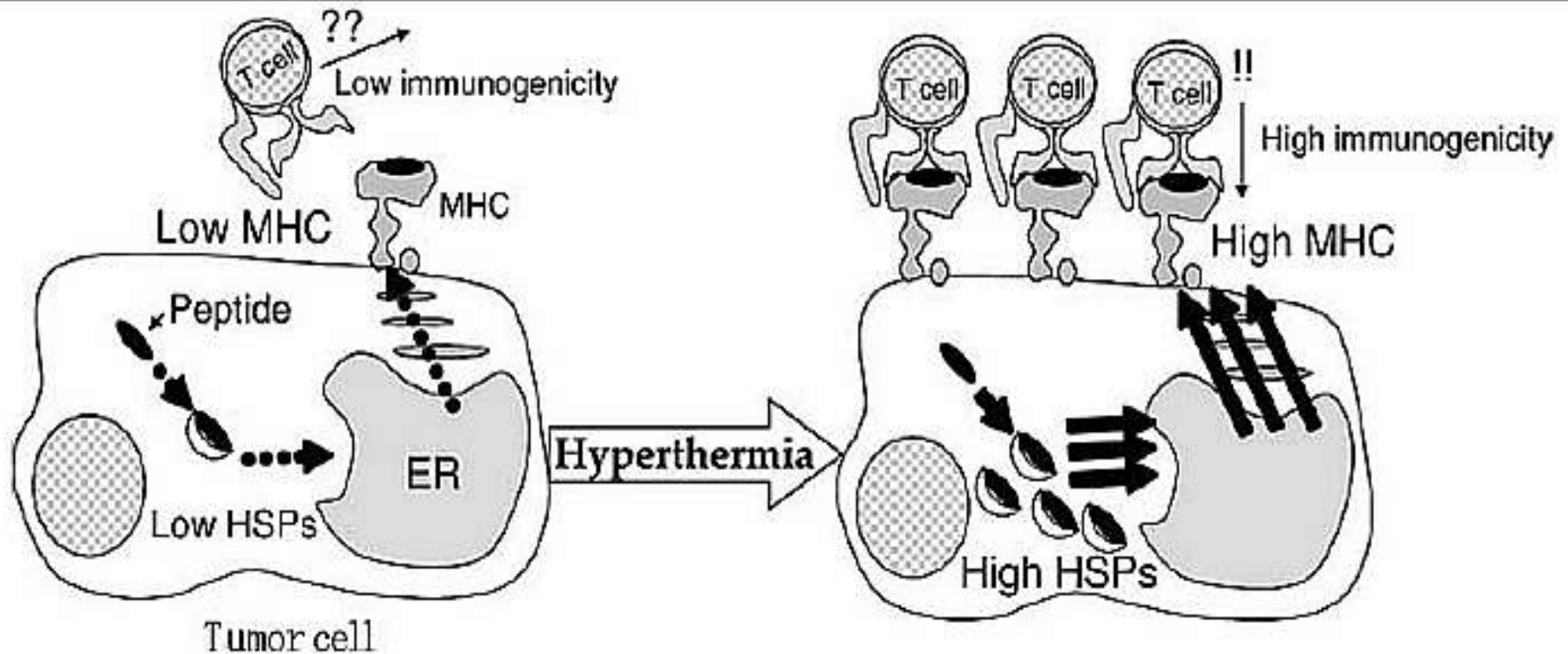
Hyperthermia: objectives

- Regional/local hyperthermia of deep-seated tumors with the aid of a phased array of antennas surrounding the patient
- Distribution of the power absorbed controlled by means of amplitude, voltage and temporal profile of antennas' driving voltages
- Space between antennas and body filled with water bolus to prevent excessive skin heating
- Modelling and optimization challenges:
 - modelling and calculation of the EM field
 - and the forcing temperature,
 - optimization of the channel adjustments to reach favorable inference

HSP: more on their activating role

- Expression of HSPs, in particular that of HSP70, protects cells from heat-induced apoptosis
 - until quite recently HSP expression has been viewed a complicating factor in hyperthermia
- Recent results indicate substantial contribution of larger HSPs (HSP70 and higher) to immune reactions
- *Involving HSP expression induced by hyperthermia into tumor immunity, novel anti-cancer immunotherapy based on this concept can be developed*
- Underlying idea:
 - Tumor-specific hyperthermia system that can heat the local tumor region to the desired temperature without damaging normal tissue would be highly advantageous.
 - Possible heating technology via intracellular hyperthermia: based on using magnetic nanoparticles (approach that can induce necrotic cell death via HSP expression which activates anti-tumor immunity)

Hyperthermia concept as induced by HSPs expression



Problems

- Construction of a phenomenological model generator for HSP interventions:
 - iterative formulation and validation of reactivity hypotheses
 - experiment design support
- Nonlocal-in-space interaction of HSP with other agents
- Formation of critical HSP concentration profiles:
free boundaries

Protein aggregation

- Without HSP mediation:
a competition between thermodynamic driving forces
and spontaneous protein refolding
- Hyperthermia:
heating tissues to 42-43 °C,
a method of cancer therapy

Parallel computing – challenges

- Parallel programming is still difficult especially while traditional programming paradigms are used
- There is need for new programming paradigms such as Partitioned Global Address Space (PGAS)
- There is need for new programming languages which can easily express parallelism (Fortress, X10, Click...)
- HPC market has to open for new languages widely used for data analysis such as Java
- New parallel algorithms for all application areas are necessary

PCJ - Parallel Computations in Java

Java library developed at ICM

- pcj.icm.edu.pl

Programming paradigm:

- partitioned global address space (PGAS)

Features

- Does not require modification of JVM
- Work on *almost all operating system that have JVM*
 - *eg. IBM Java 1.7 on Power7 architecture*
- Uses newest Java SE 7 (NIO, SDP, ...)
- Works with Java SE 8
- Does not require other libraries!

PCJ – Parallel Computations in Java

Basic functionality:

- Synchronization of tasks
- getting values
- putting values

Advanced functionality:

- broadcasting values
- monitoring variables
- parallel I/O
- creating groups of nodes
- working with groups.

PCJ for HPC and BigData

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- PCJ performance is competitive compare to standard solutions based on MPI
- For single node PCJ performance is competitive compared to Java 8 parallel streams
- PCJ runs on multiple nodes (Java 8 is limited to single JVM)
- PCJ has very good scalability and has been run on 10k cores
- PCJ allows for very efficient I/O operations on distributed and network file systems.
- PCJ can be used to parallelize data analysis codes in Java