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Understanding Variability and Bringing Rigor to Scientific Investigation





Common evolutionary steps: Experimental Science and Computational Science

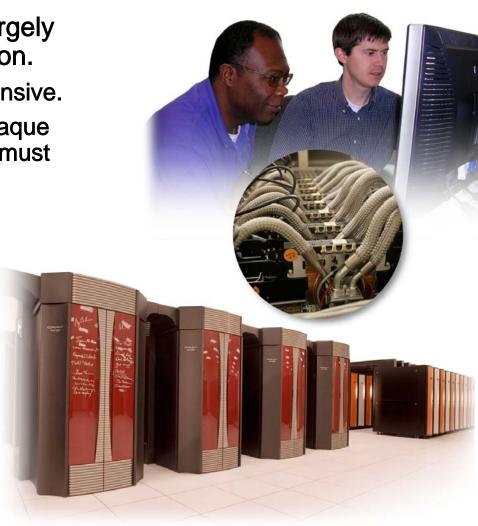
 Early computational science relies largely on intuitive design and visual validation.

Computational experiments are expensive.

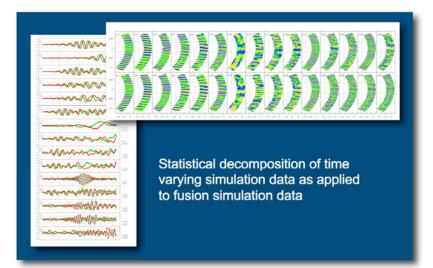
 Petascale data sets are nearly as opaque as real systems—statistical analysis must select what to visualize.

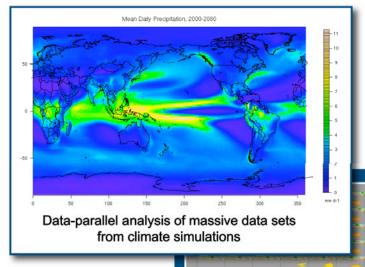
Uncertainty analysis is in its infancy.

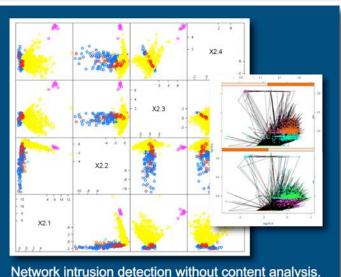
- Statistics is a major partner in bringing computational science to the rigor and efficiency standards of experimental science.
 - Methods to see through, examine, and classify variability.
 - Uncertainty quantification.
 - Statistical design of experiments.
 - Fusion of data and computational experiment.



ORNL Statistics and Data Sciences Group: Cutting through the fog of high-dimensional variability

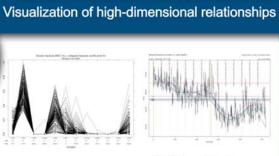






High-dimensional density space classification





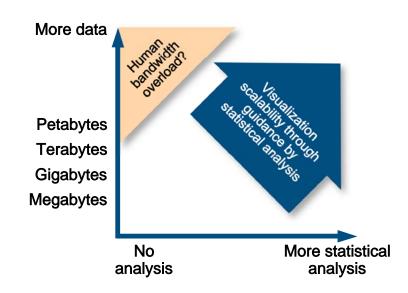
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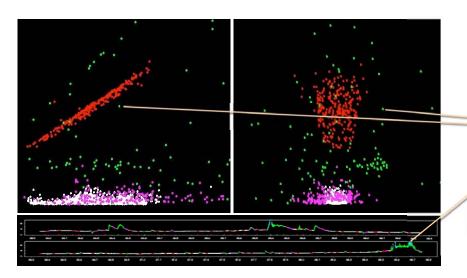
A statistical framework for guiding visualization of massive data sets

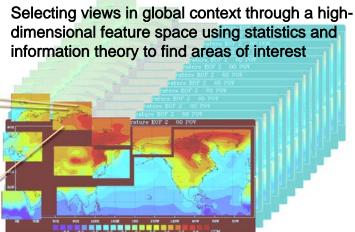
Browse a petabyte? Not humanly possible!

To see 10% of a petabyte at 100 MB per second takes 35 work days!

Statistical analysis must select views or reduce to quantities of interest in addition to fast rendering of data.

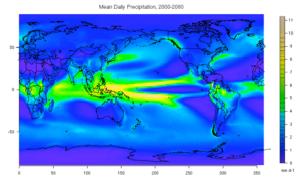


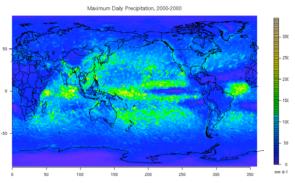




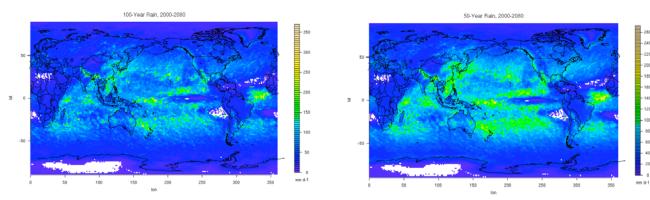


Interactive climate analysis with data-parallel R



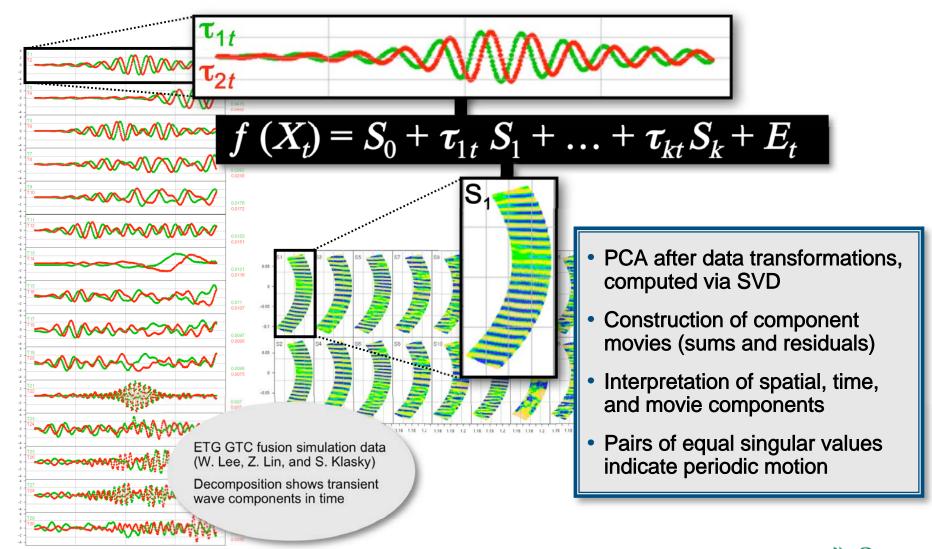


- Data-parallel R interactive runtime environment:
 - NetCDF data-parallel readers then R/Rmpi operations on distributed data
 - Extremely broad range of analysis methods:
 - So far, binning, subsetting, univariate statistics, regression methods, and extreme value methods tested
 - Other analyses being tested
- CCSM3 daily precipitation data 2000–2080, 10 GB (climate science M. Branstetter)
 - Comments counterclockwise from top:
 - · Where it rains and where it doesn't rain
 - Where the biggest daily rain event extremes happen
 - Generalized extreme value (GEV) prediction of 50-year rain event (insufficient data in dry areas)
 - GEV prediction of 100-year rain event (insufficient data in dry areas)



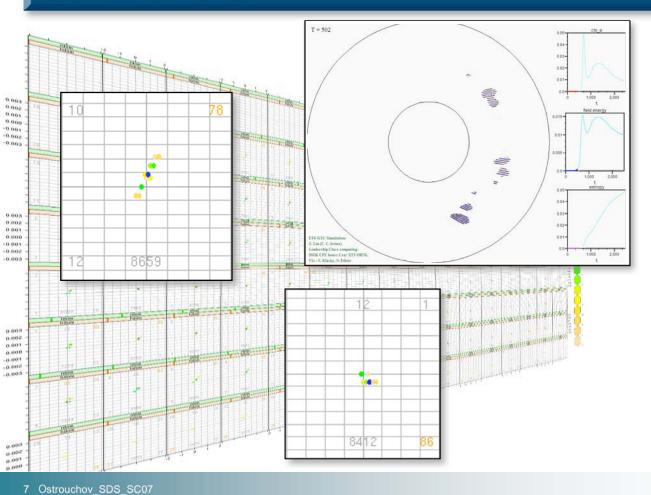


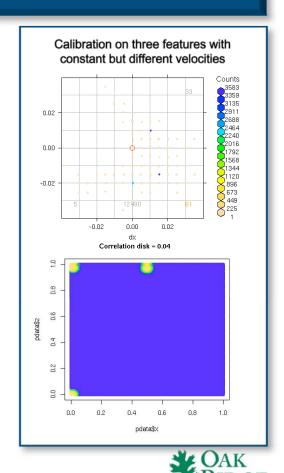
Statistical decomposition of timevarying simulation data



Local feature motion density analysis

- Computes statistical density of all motion within a scene. (Computation and graphics written in R)
- An array of small multiples displaying 128 local densities over a Tokamak slice is best viewed on an ultra-high-resolution device like ORNL's EVEREST facility
- Developed for GTC Electronic Temperature Gradient microturbulence data (Zhihong Lin) to explore wave motion directions





Conditional small multiples provide access to high-dimensional relationships in climate

Statistical density of world atmospheric CO₂ over 5 dimensions:

→x: CO₂ from land & ocean sources

 \uparrow y: CO_2 from fossil fuels

►across row: Cloud fraction

▲ up column: Humidity percent

Superposition: 1900, 1910, ..., 1990, clusters

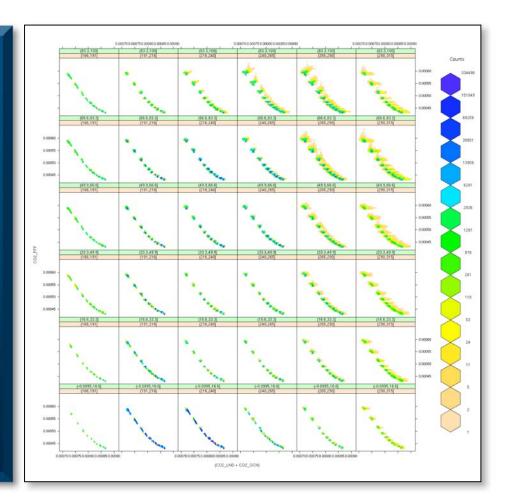
Color: Density (count of grids)

conditional onvalues of 5 above

variables on log scale

Produced interactively with hexagonal binning in R Environment for Statistical Computing and Graphics (Data source: CCSM on Cray X1E at ORNL/NCCS)

Ideal for high resolution displays like ORNL's EVEREST facility





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