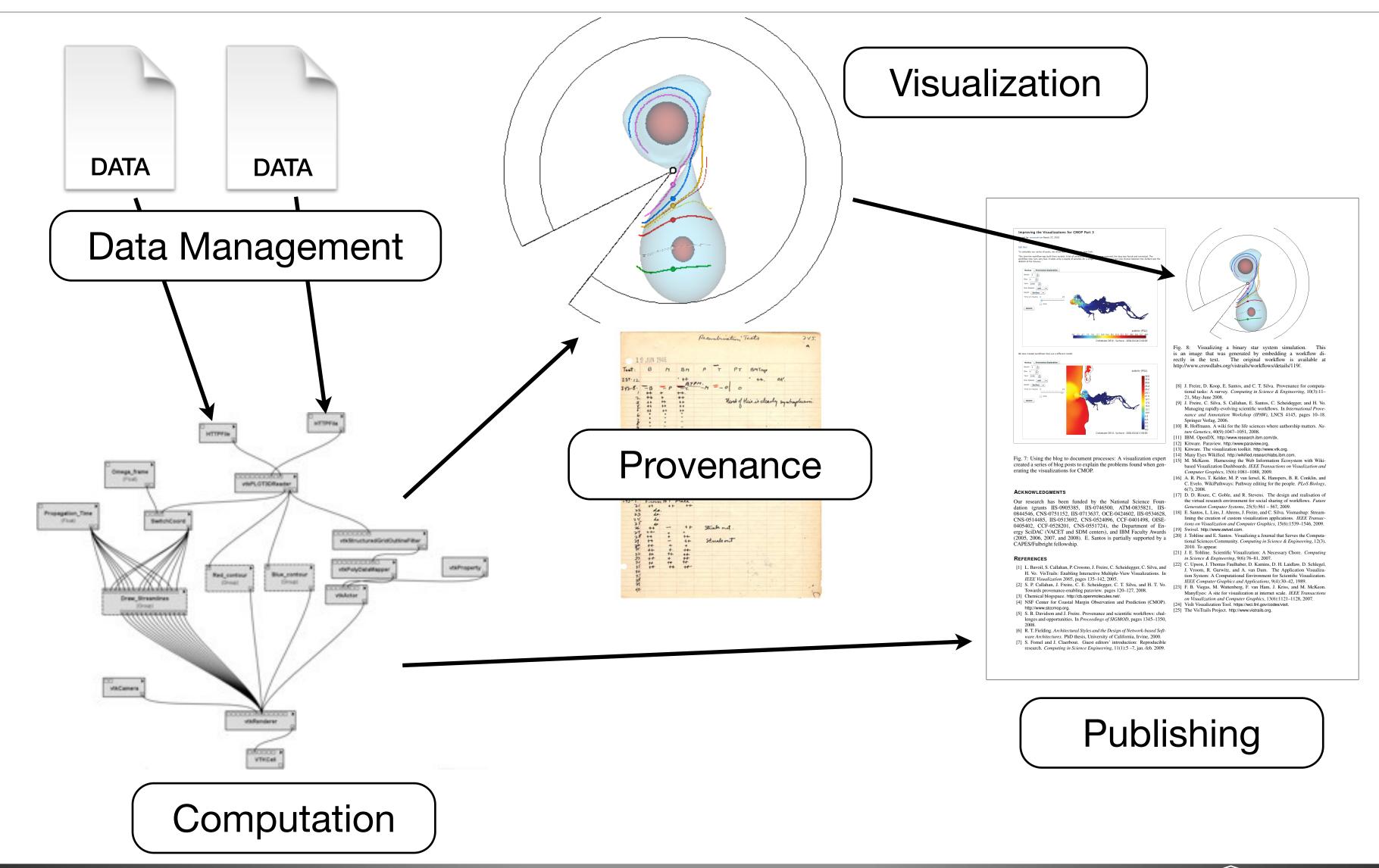
Advanced Data Management (CSCI 680/490)

Reproducibility

Dr. David Koop



Provenance in Computational Science



Database Provenance

- Motivation: Data warehouses and curated databases
 - Lots of work
 - Provenance helps check correctness
 - Adds value to data by how it was obtained
- Three Types:
 - Why (Lineage): Associate each tuple t present in the output of a query with a set of tuples present in the input
 - How: Not just existence but routes from tuples to output (multiple contrib.'s)
 - Where: Location where data is copied from (may have choice of different tables)

Why Provenance

Agencies

	name	based_in	phone
t_1 :	BayTours	San Francisco	415-1200
t_2 :	HarborCruz	Santa Cruz	831-3000

ExternalTours

	name	destination	type	price
t_3 :	BayTours	San Francisco	cable car	\$50
t_4 :	BayTours	Santa Cruz	bus	\$100
t_5 :	BayTours	Santa Cruz	boat	\$250
t_6 :	BayTours	Monterey	boat	\$400
t_7 :	HarborCruz	Monterey	boat	\$200
t_8 :	HarborCruz	Carmel	train	\$90

Q1:

SELECT a.name, a.phone
FROM Agencies a, ExternalTours e
WHERE a.name = e.name AND e.type='boat'

Result of Q_1 :

name	phone
BayTours	415-1200
HarborCruz	831-3000

- Lineage of (HarborCruz, 831-3000):
 {Agencies (t2), ExternalTours (t7)}
- Lineage of (BayTours, 415-1200): {Agencies(t1), ExternalTours(t5,t6)}
- This is not really precise because we don't need both ±5 and ±6—only one is ok

How Provenance

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t_7 :	HarborCruz	Monterey	boat	\$200
t_8 :	HarborCruz	Carmel	train	\$90

 Q_2 :

SELECT e.destination, a.phone

FROM Agencies a,

(SELECT name,

based_in AS destination

FROM Agencies a

UNION

SELECT name, destination

FROM External Tours) e

WHERE a.name = e.name

Result of Q_2 :

destination	phone	
San Francisco	415-1200	$t_1 \cdot (t_1 + t_3)$
Santa Cruz	831-3000	t_2^2
Santa Cruz	415-1200	$\begin{array}{ c c }\hline t_1 \cdot (t_4 + t_5)\end{array}$
Monterey	415-1200	$t_1 \cdot t_6$
Monterey	831-3000	$t_1 \cdot t_7$
Carmel	831-3000	$t_1 \cdot t_8$

- How provenance gives more detail about how the tuples provide witnesses to the result
- Prov of (San Francisco, 415-1200):
 {t1}, {t1,t3}}
- t1 contributes twice
- Uses provenance semirings (the "polynomial" shown on the right)

Where Provenance

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 Q_1' :

SELECT FROM WHERE

e.name, a.phone

Agencies a, External Tours ea.name = e.nameAND e.type='boat'

Result of Q_1 :

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HarborCruz	831-3000

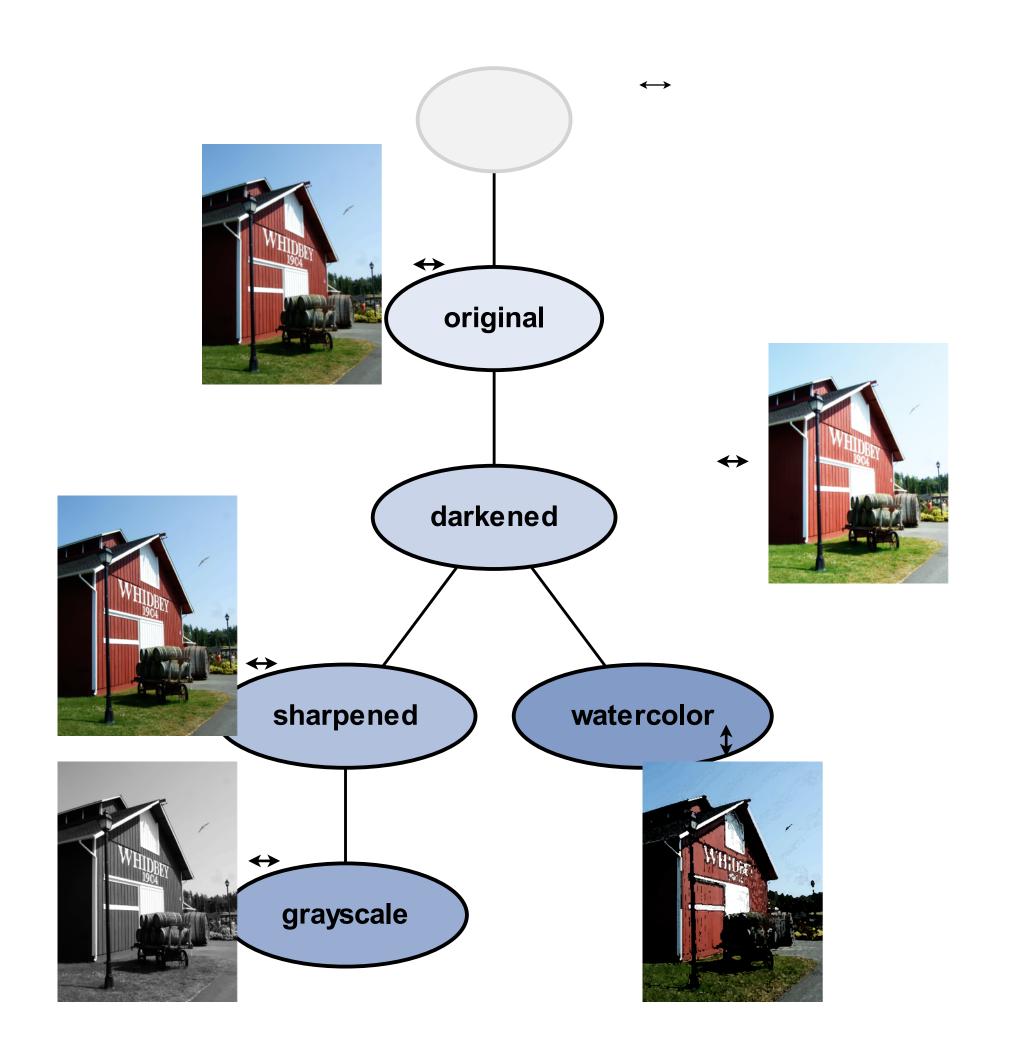
- Where provenance traces to specific locations, not the tuple values
- Q and Q' give the same result but the name comes from different places
- Prov of HarborCruz in second output: (t2, name)
- Important in annotation-propagation

VisTrails

- Comprehensive provenance infrastructure for computational tasks
- Focus on exploratory tasks such as simulation, visualization, and data analysis
- Transparently tracks provenance of the discovery process—from data acquisition to visualization
 - The trail followed as users generate and test hypotheses
 - Users can refer back to any point along this trail at any time
- Leverage provenance to streamline exploration
- Focus on usability—build tools for scientists

Version Trees for Evolution Provenance

- Undo/redo stacks are linear!
- We lose history of exploration
- Old Solution: User saves files/state
- VisTrails Solution:
 - Automatically & transparently capture entire history as a tree
 - Users can tag or annotate each version
 - Users can go back to **any** version by selecting it in the tree



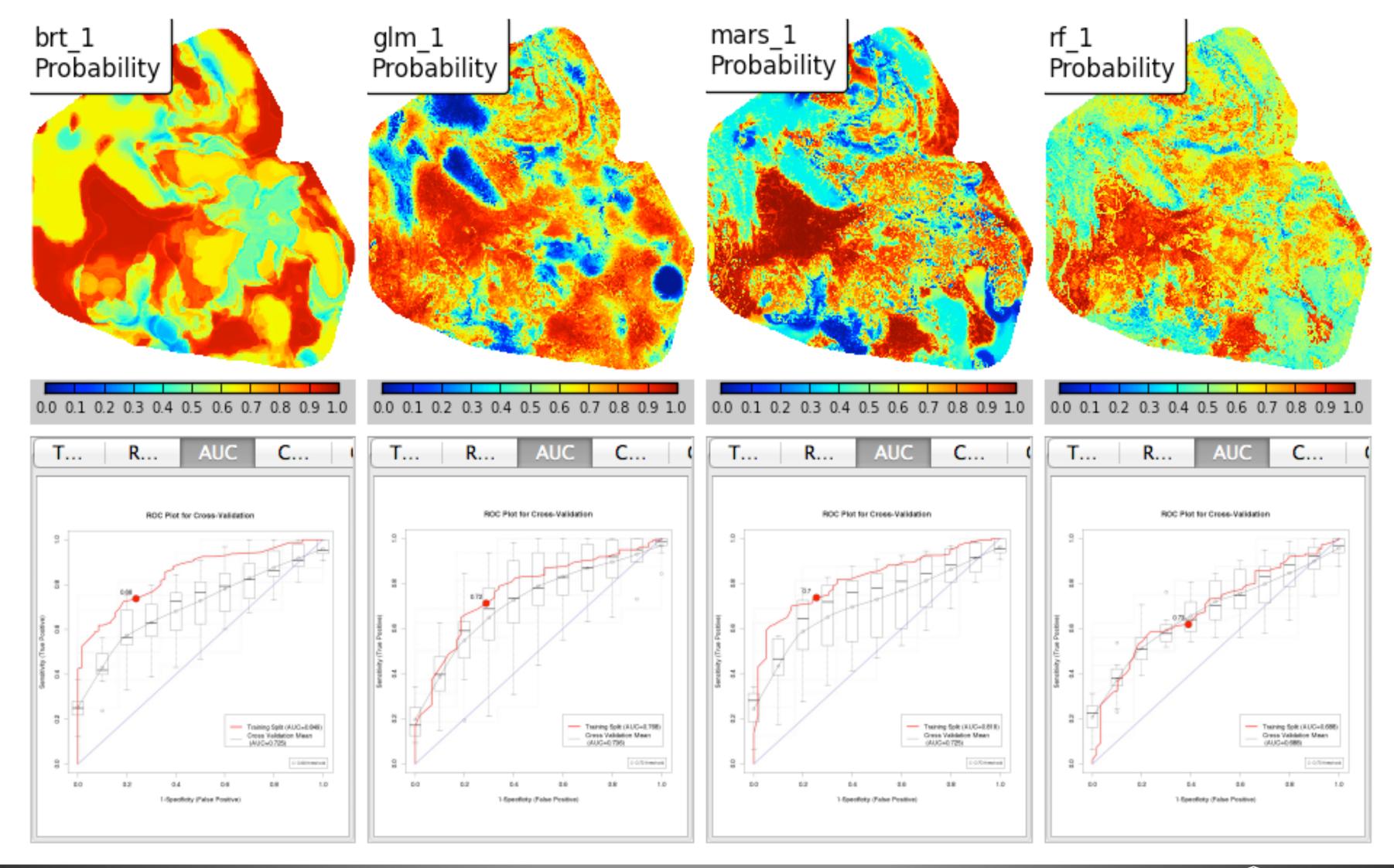
Assignment 5

- Chicago Bike Sharing Data
 - Spatial Analysis
 - Temporal Analysis
 - Graph Database (neo4j)

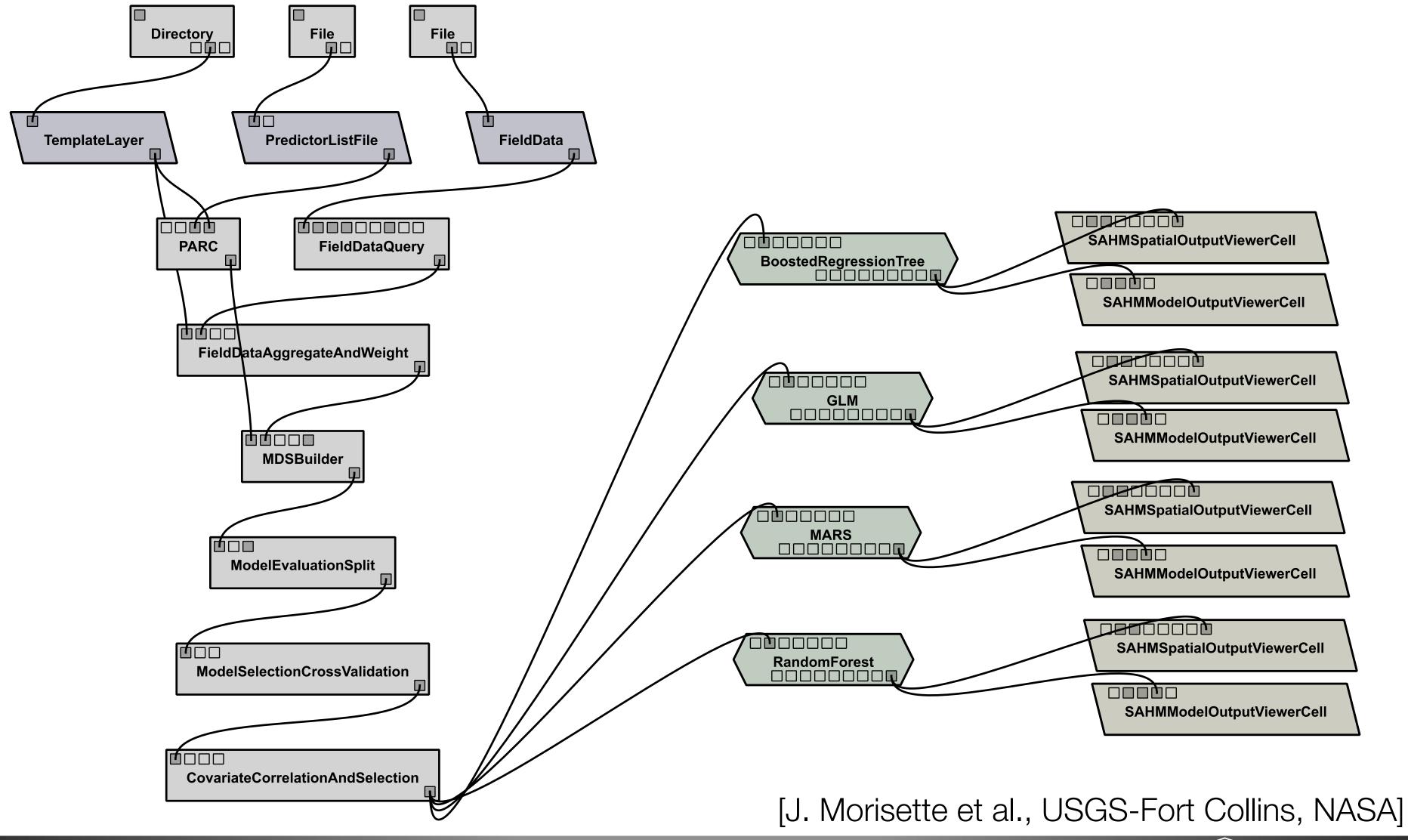
Final Exam

- Monday, May 9, 4:00-5:50pm, PM 153
- Similar format
- More comprehensive (questions from topics covered in Test 1 & 2)
- Will also have questions from graph/spatial/temporal data, provenance, reproducibility, machine learning

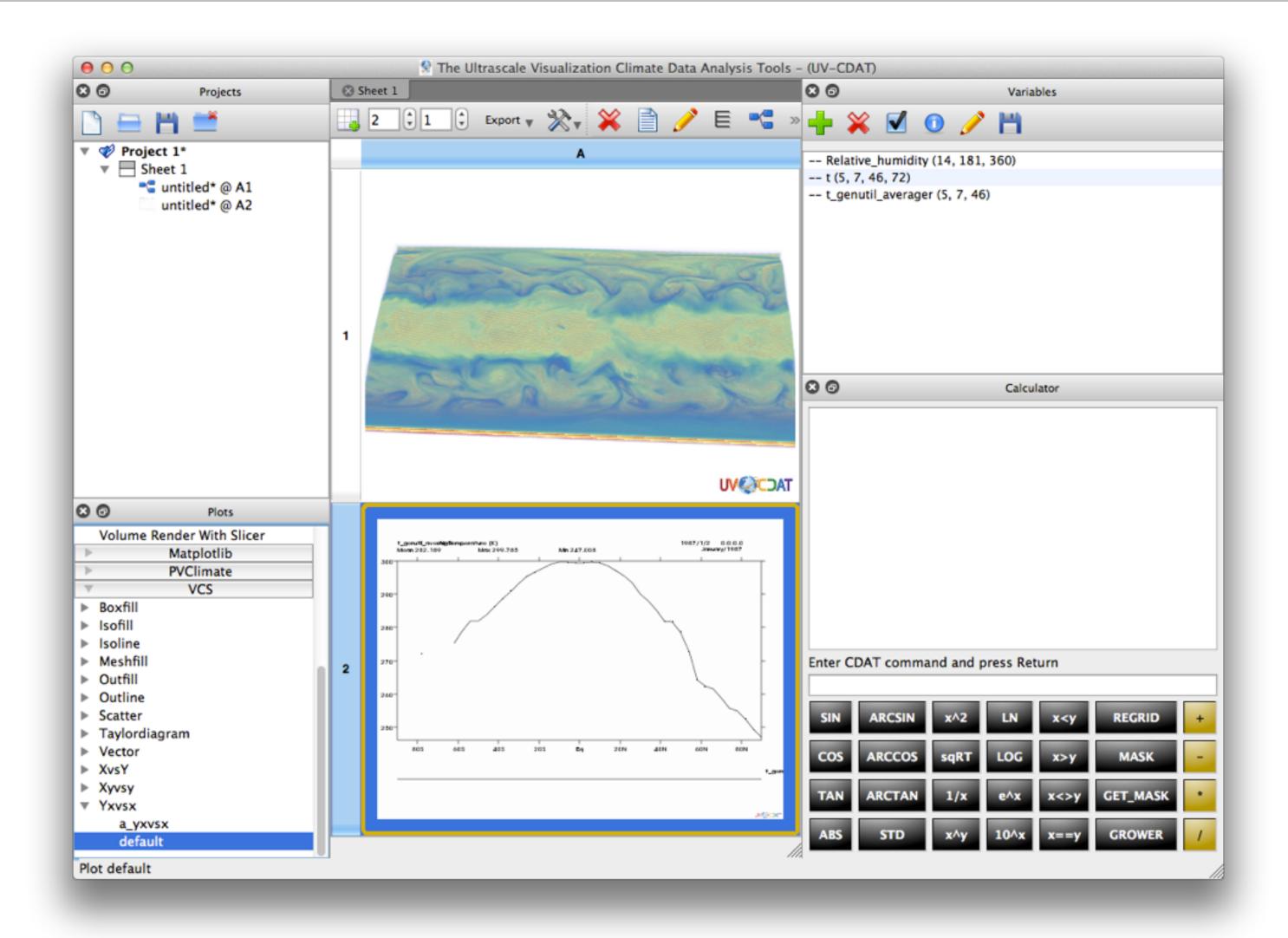
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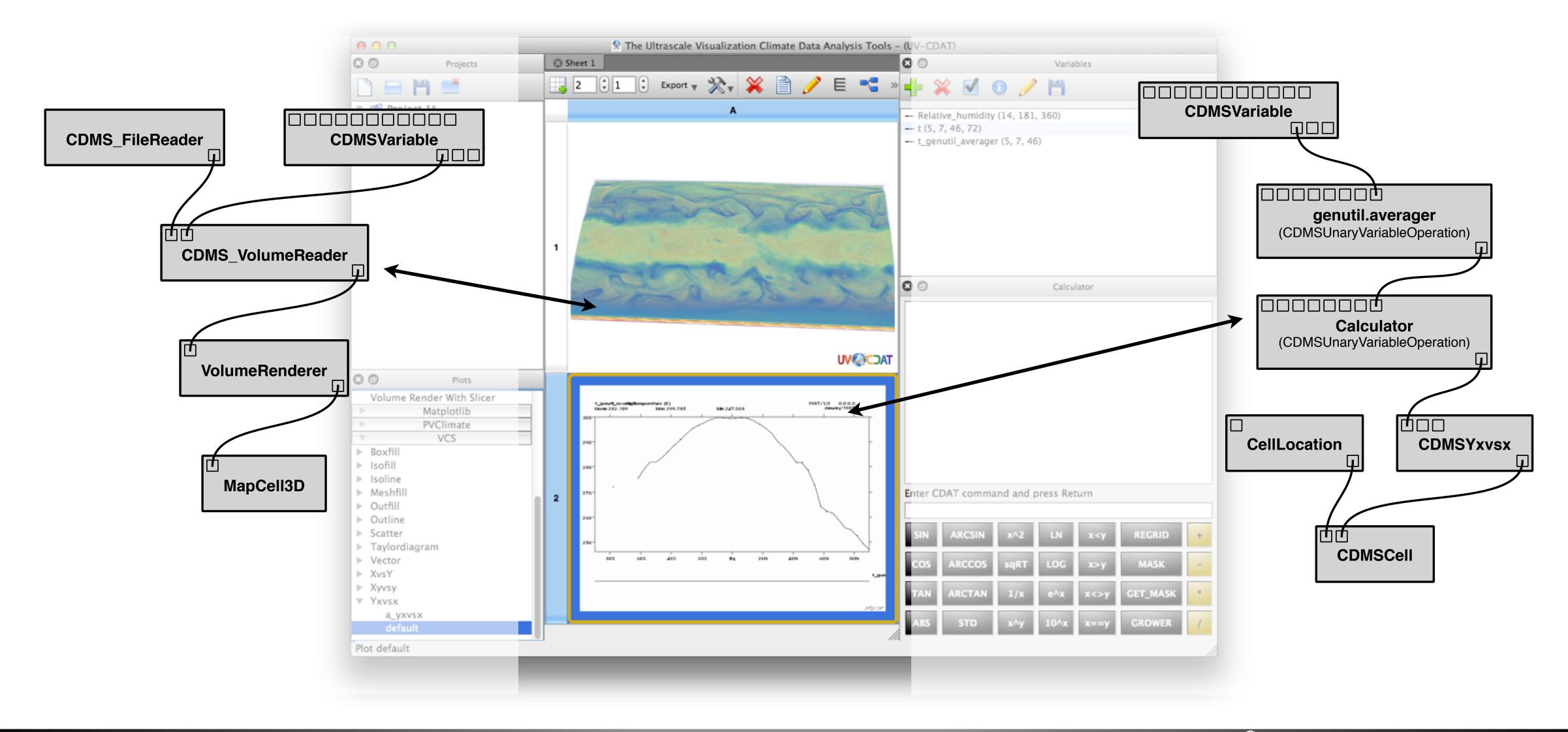
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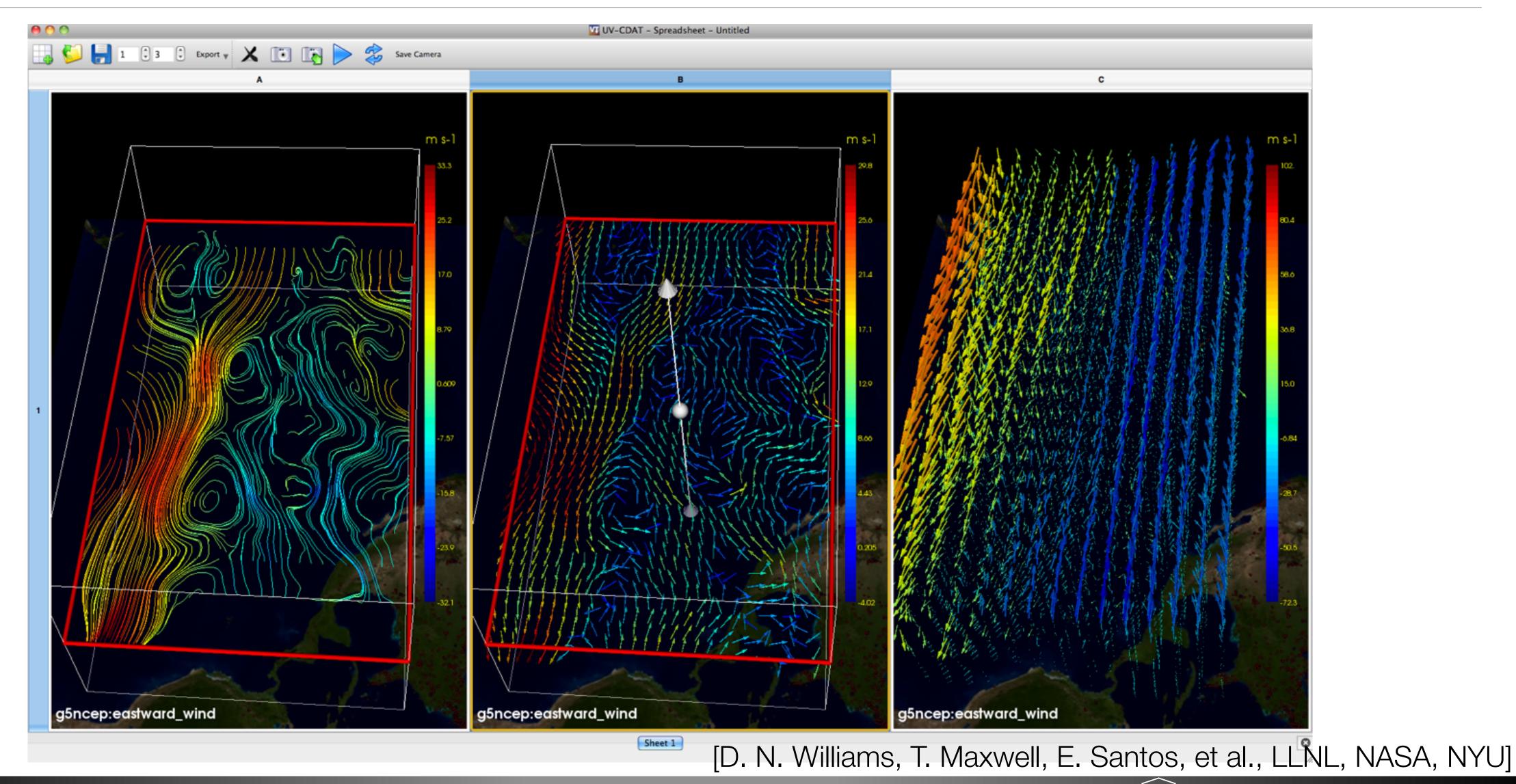
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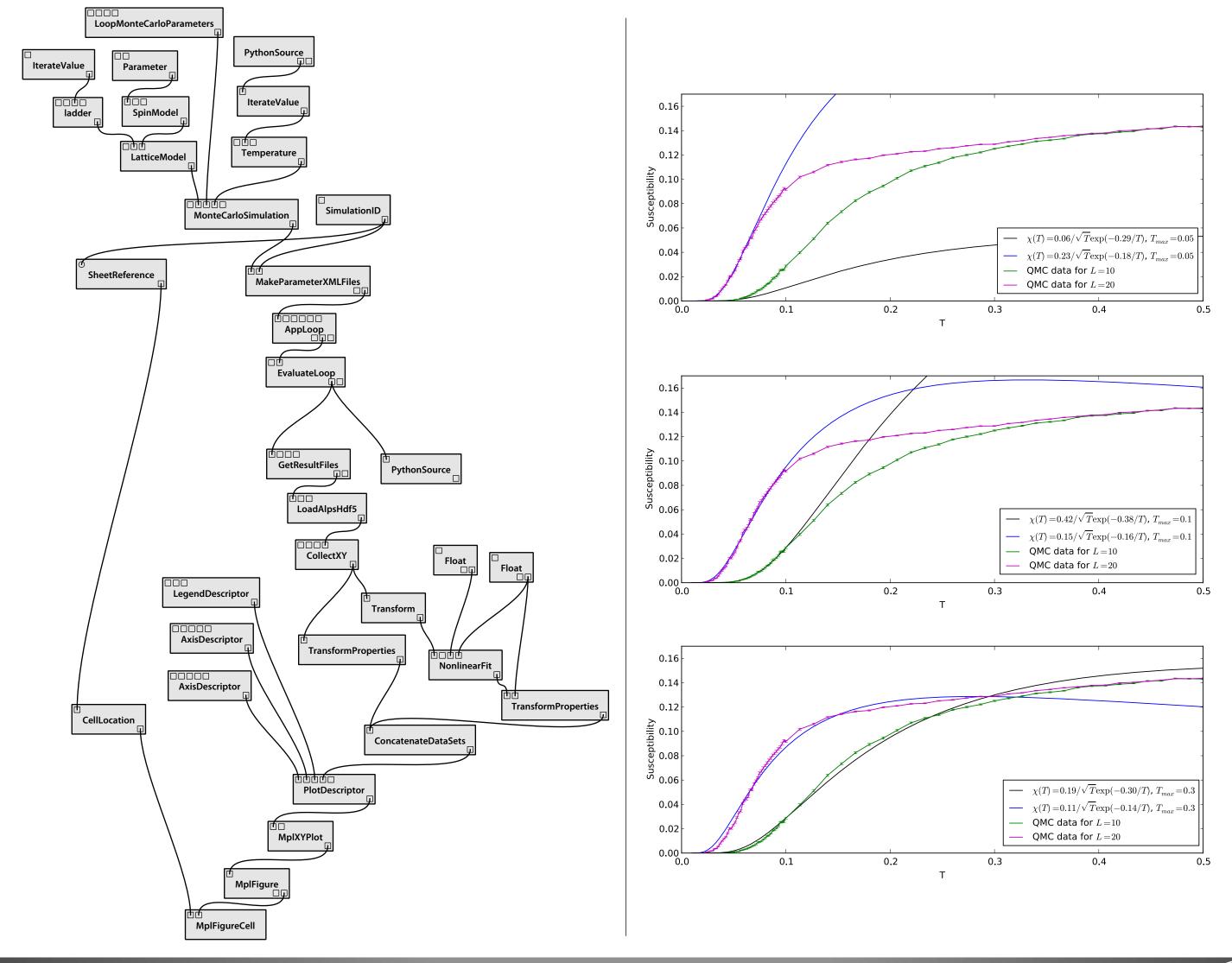
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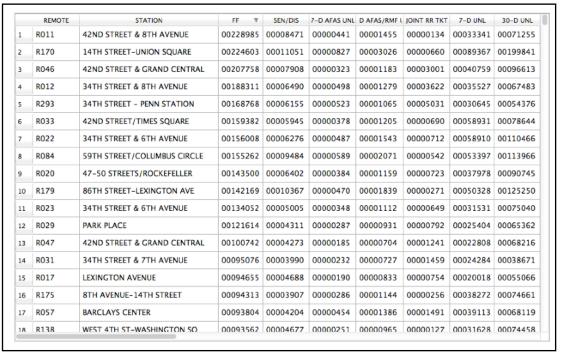
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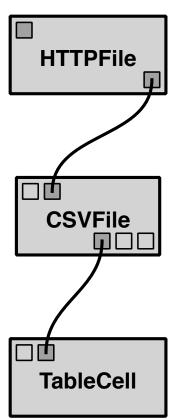


[M. Troyer et al., ETH-Zurich]



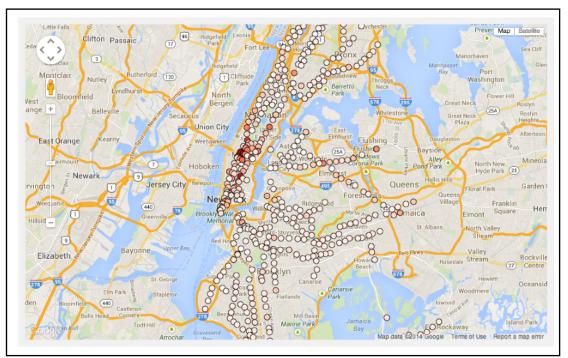
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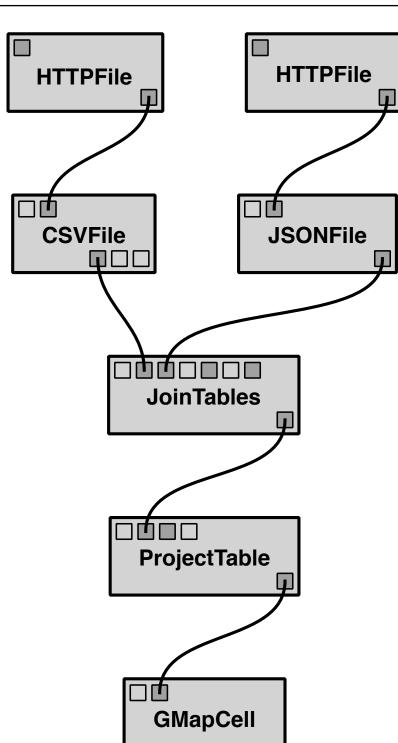


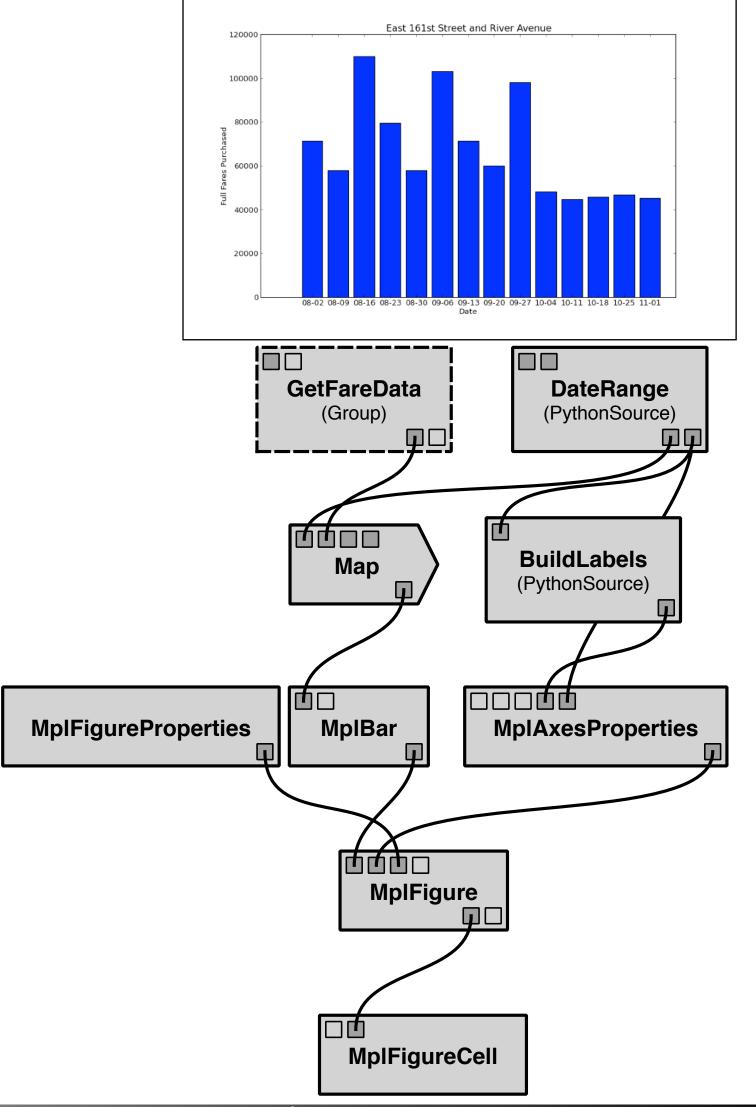


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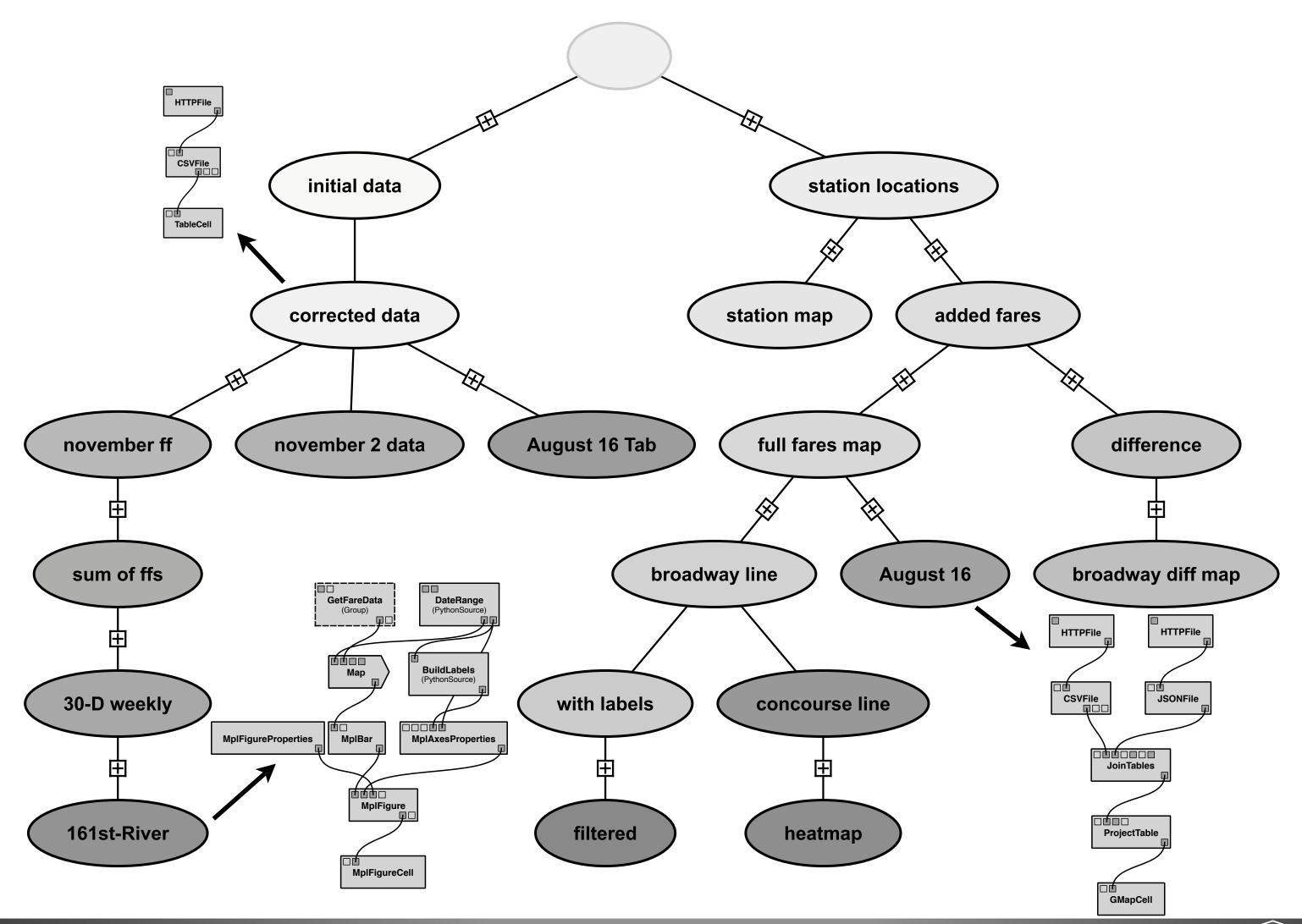
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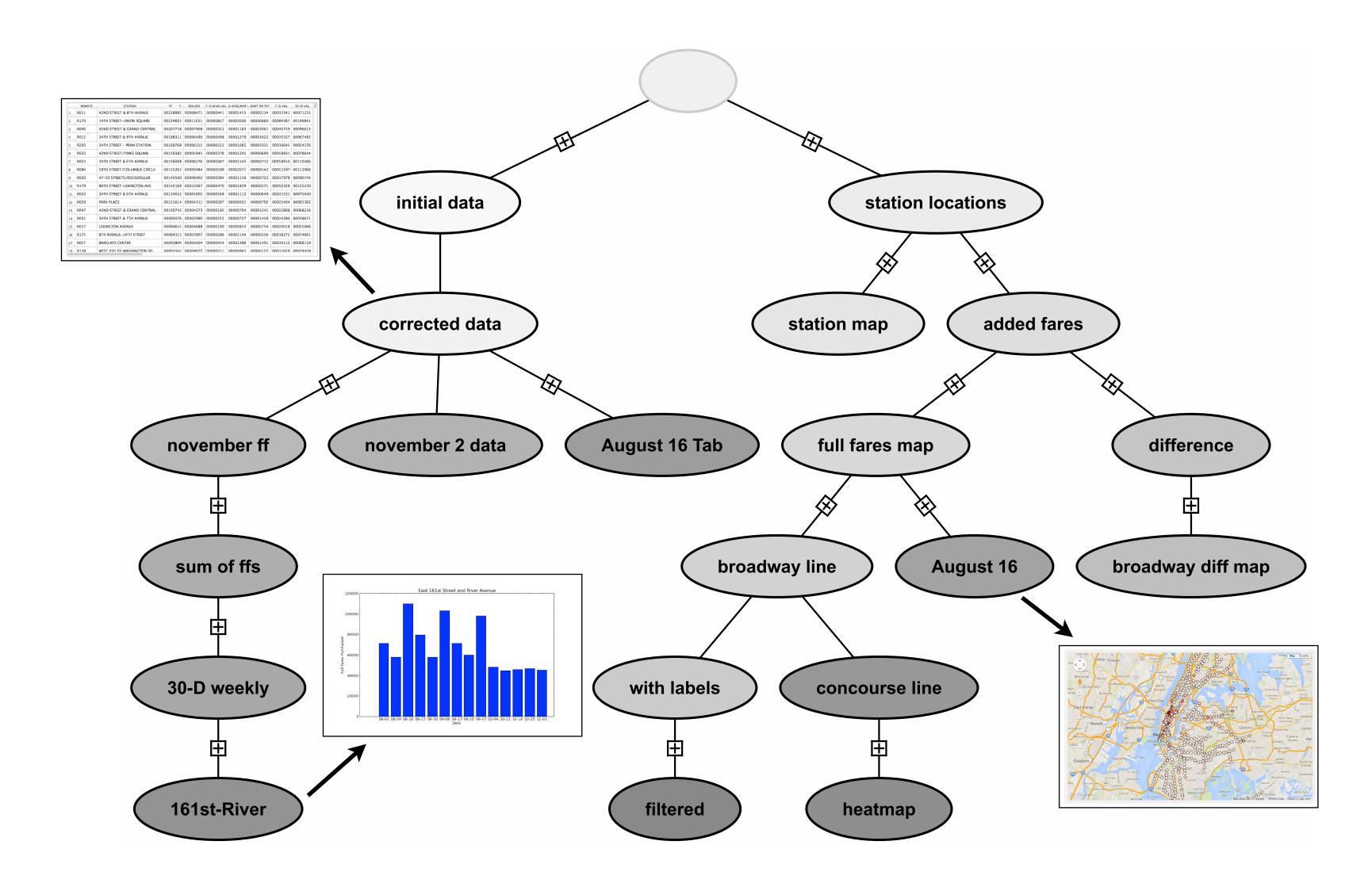




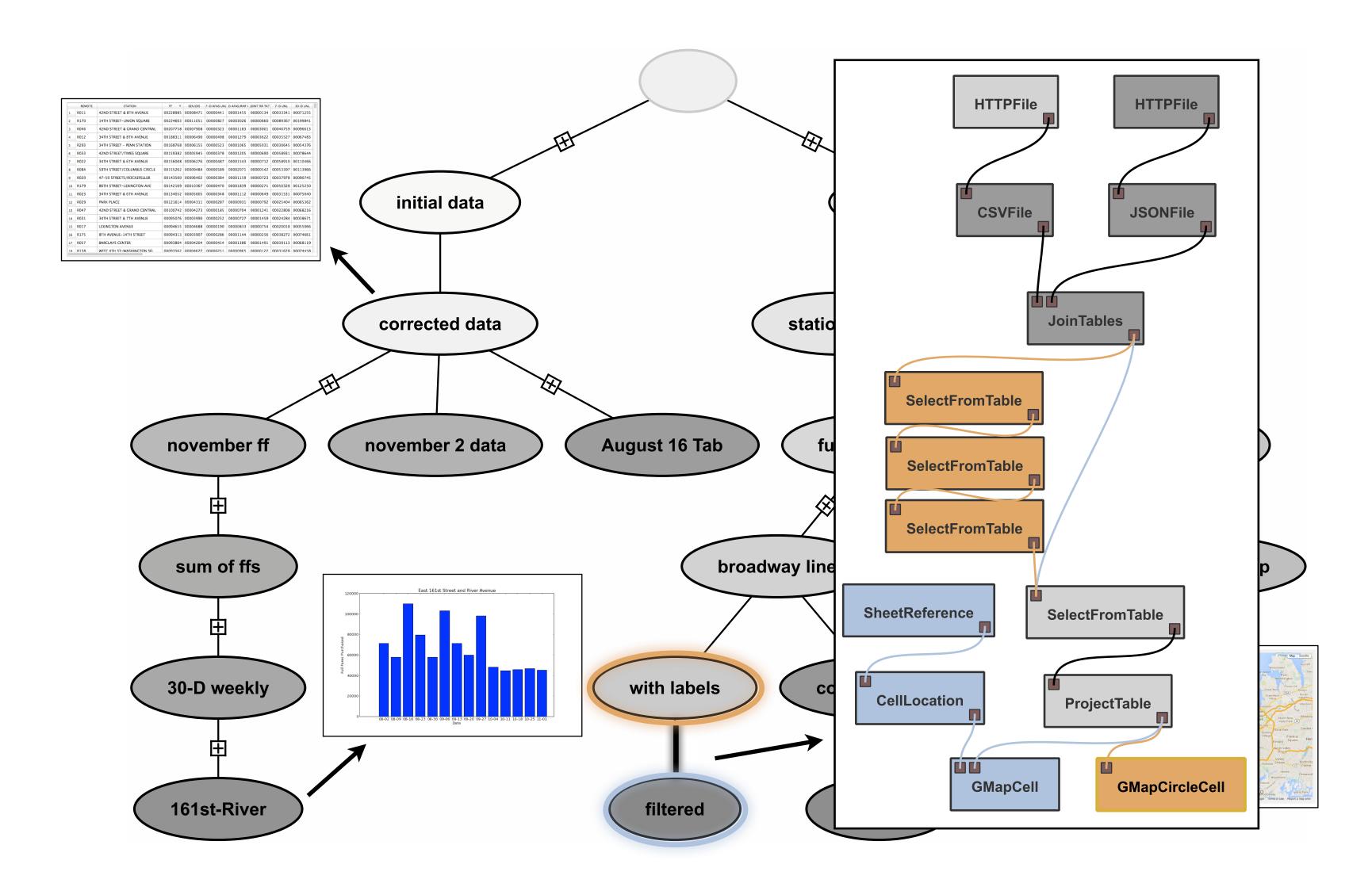
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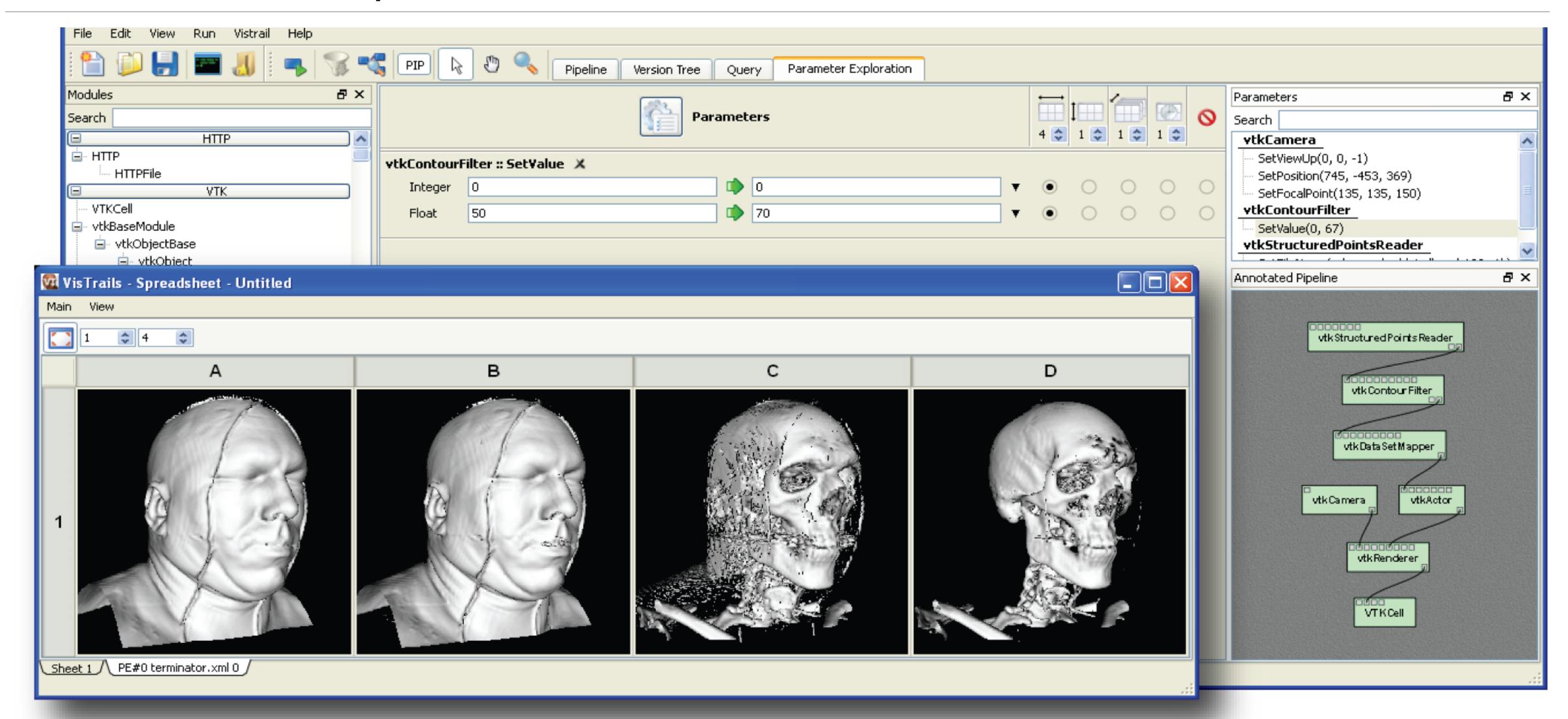
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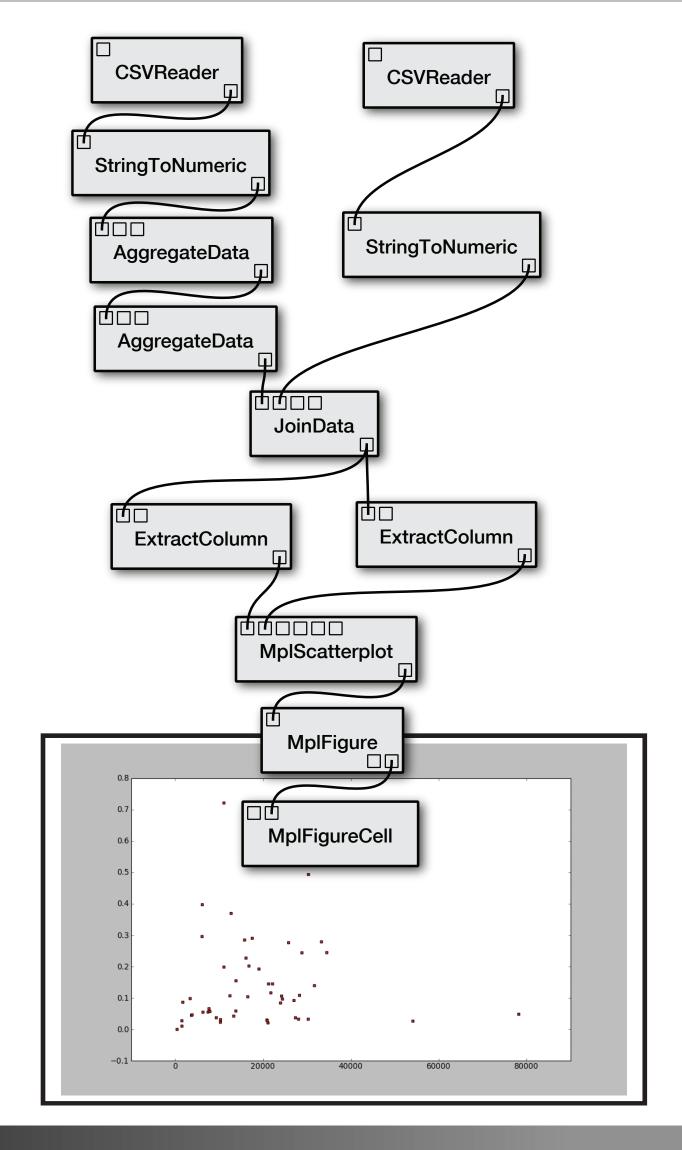


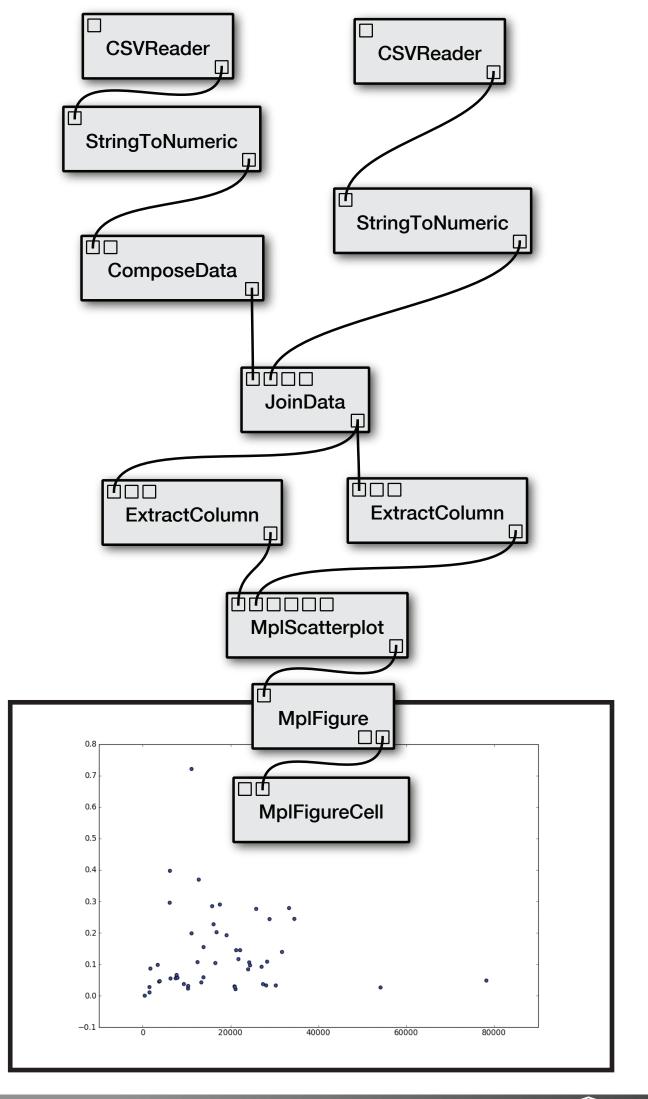
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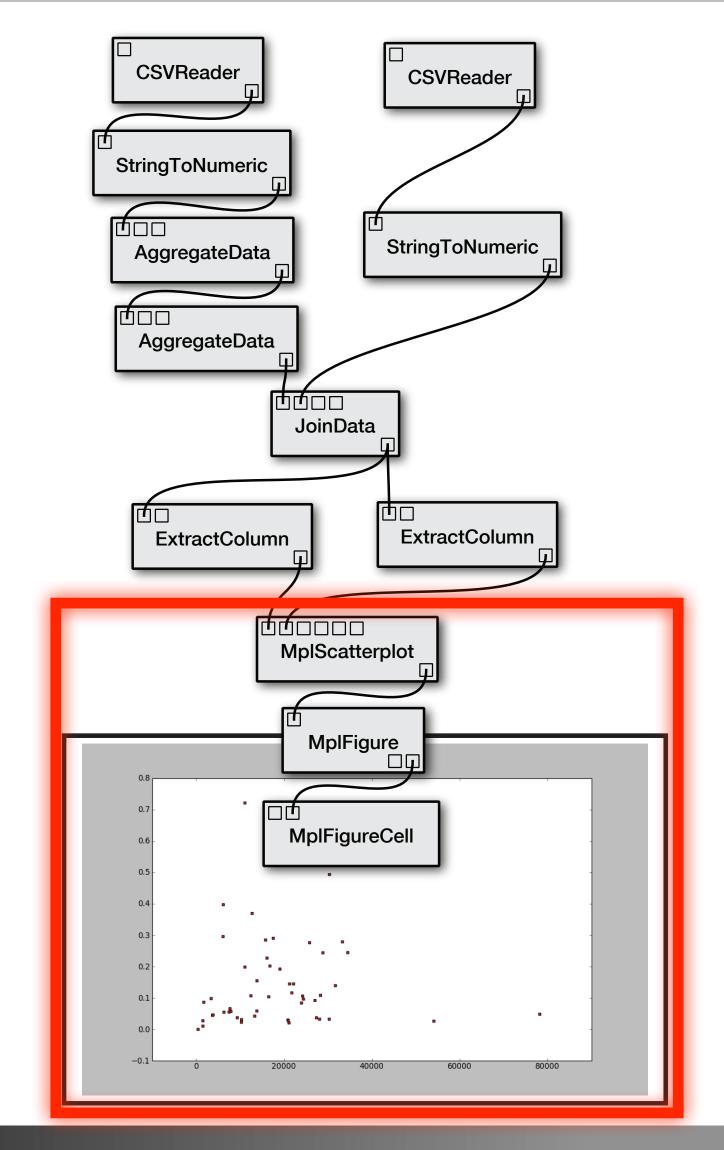


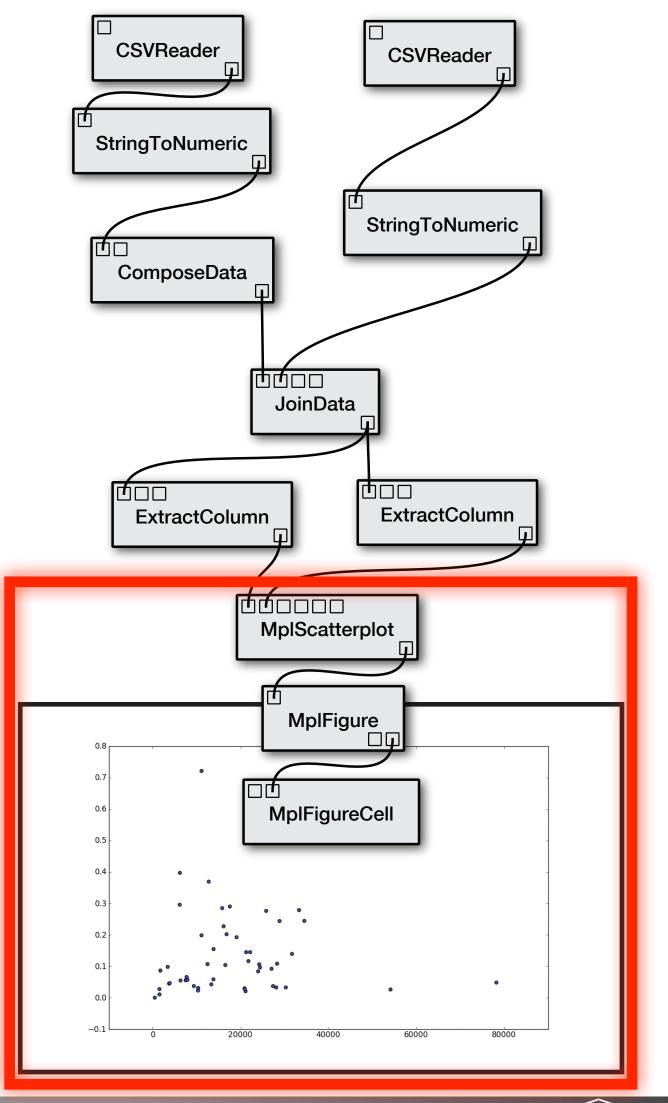
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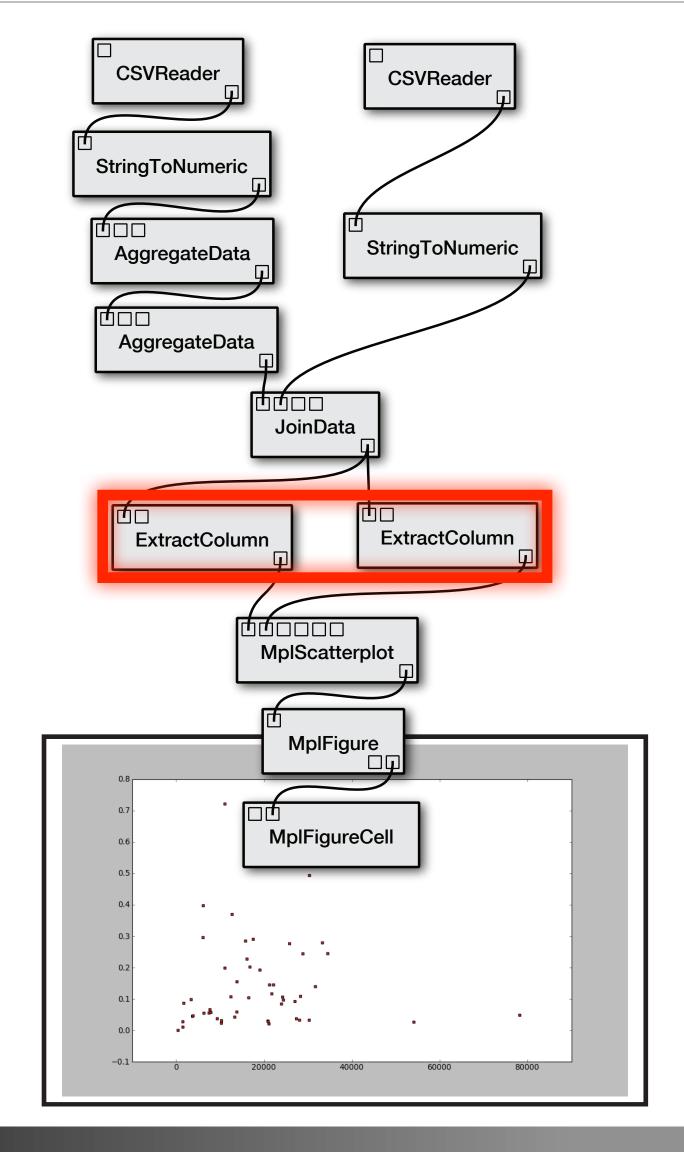


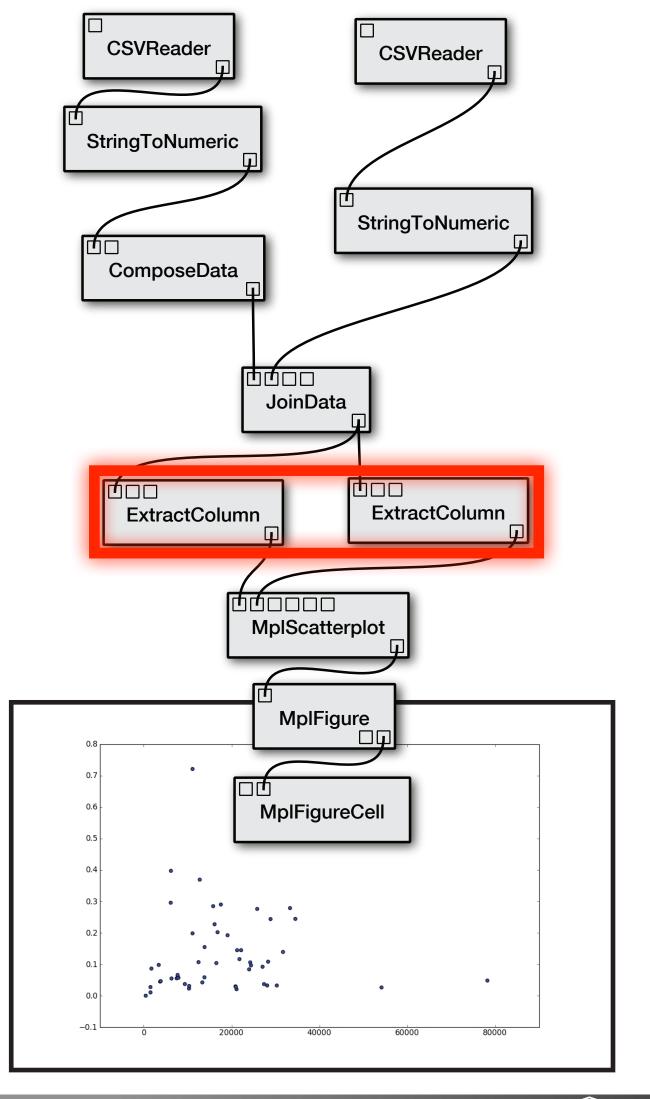


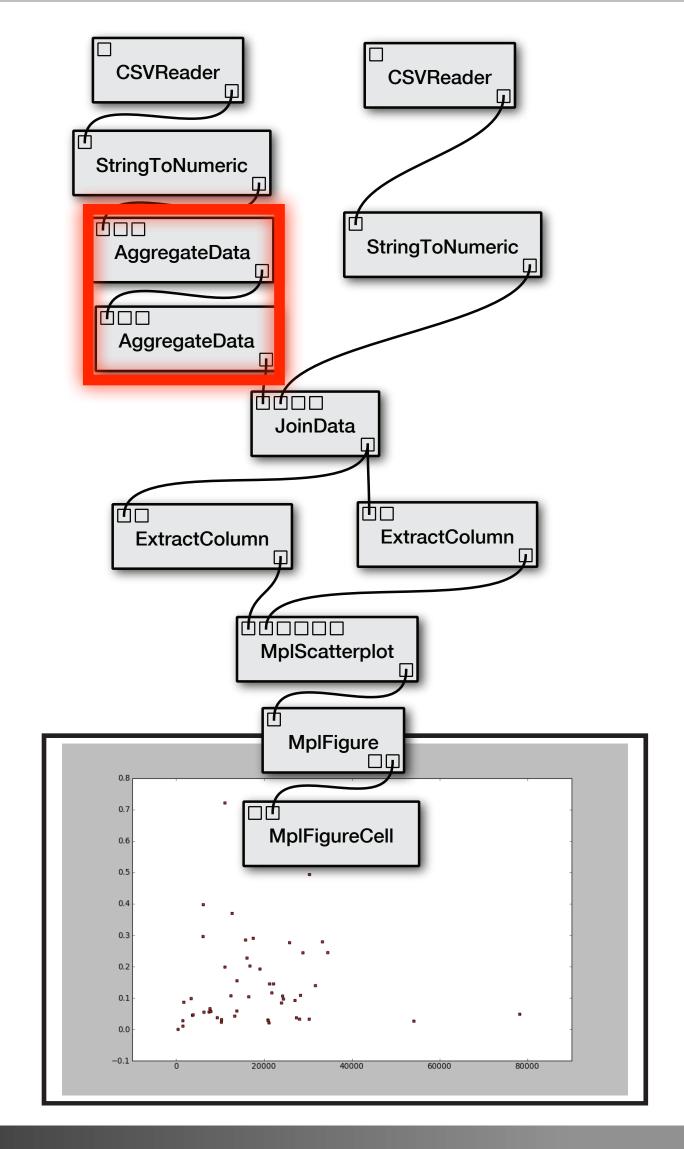


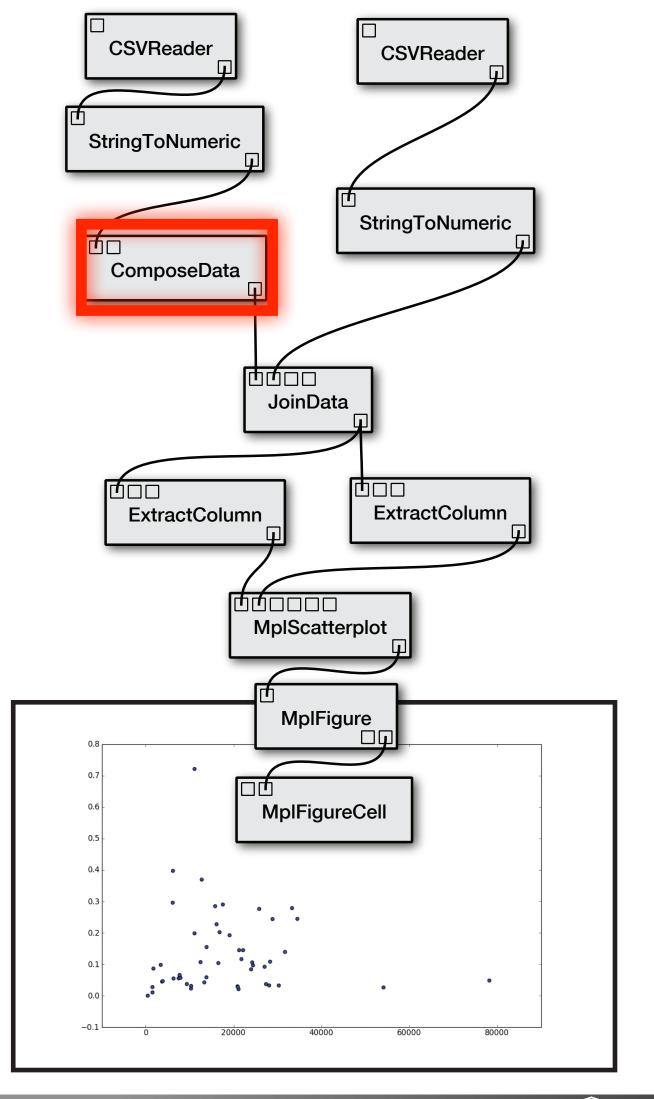




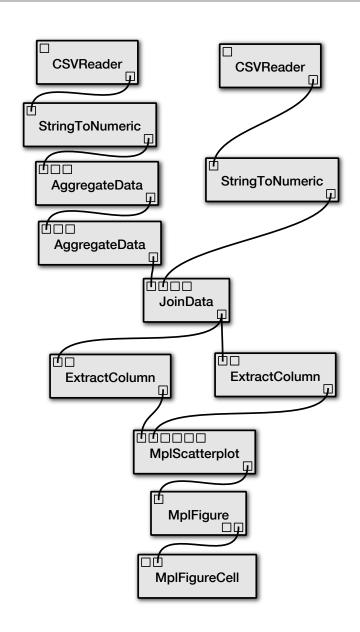






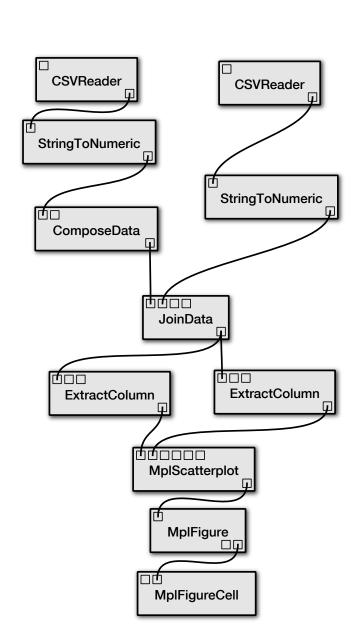


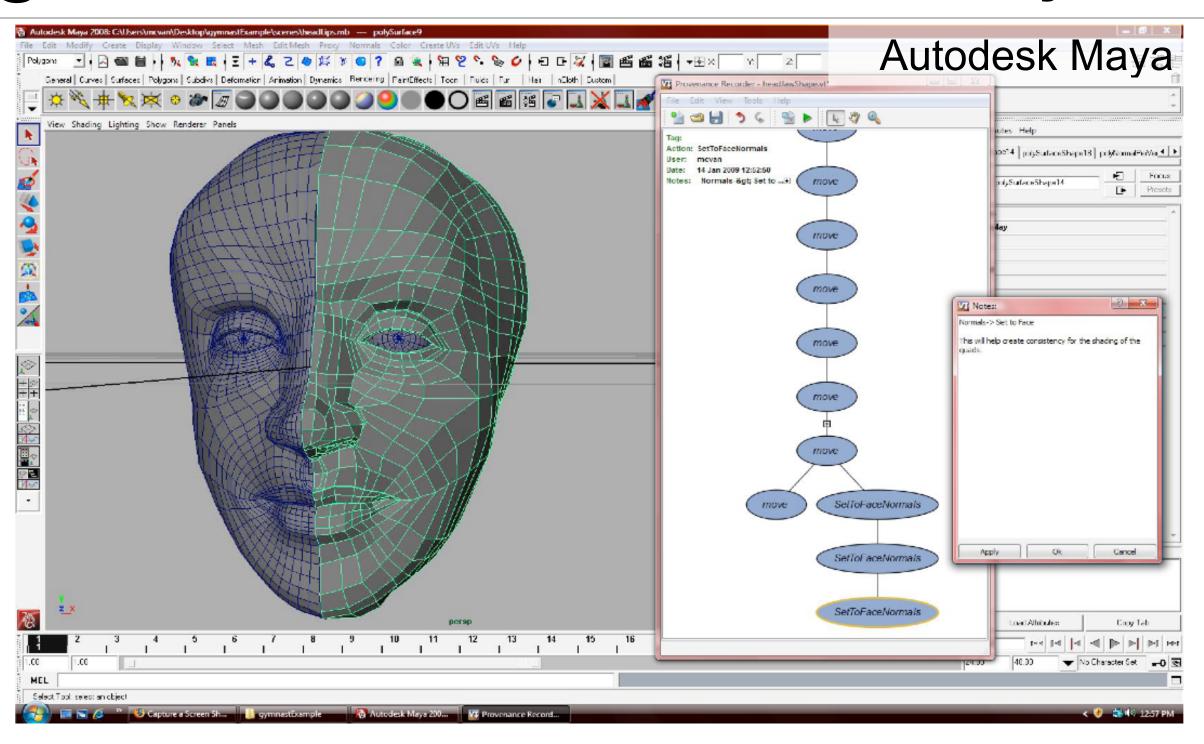
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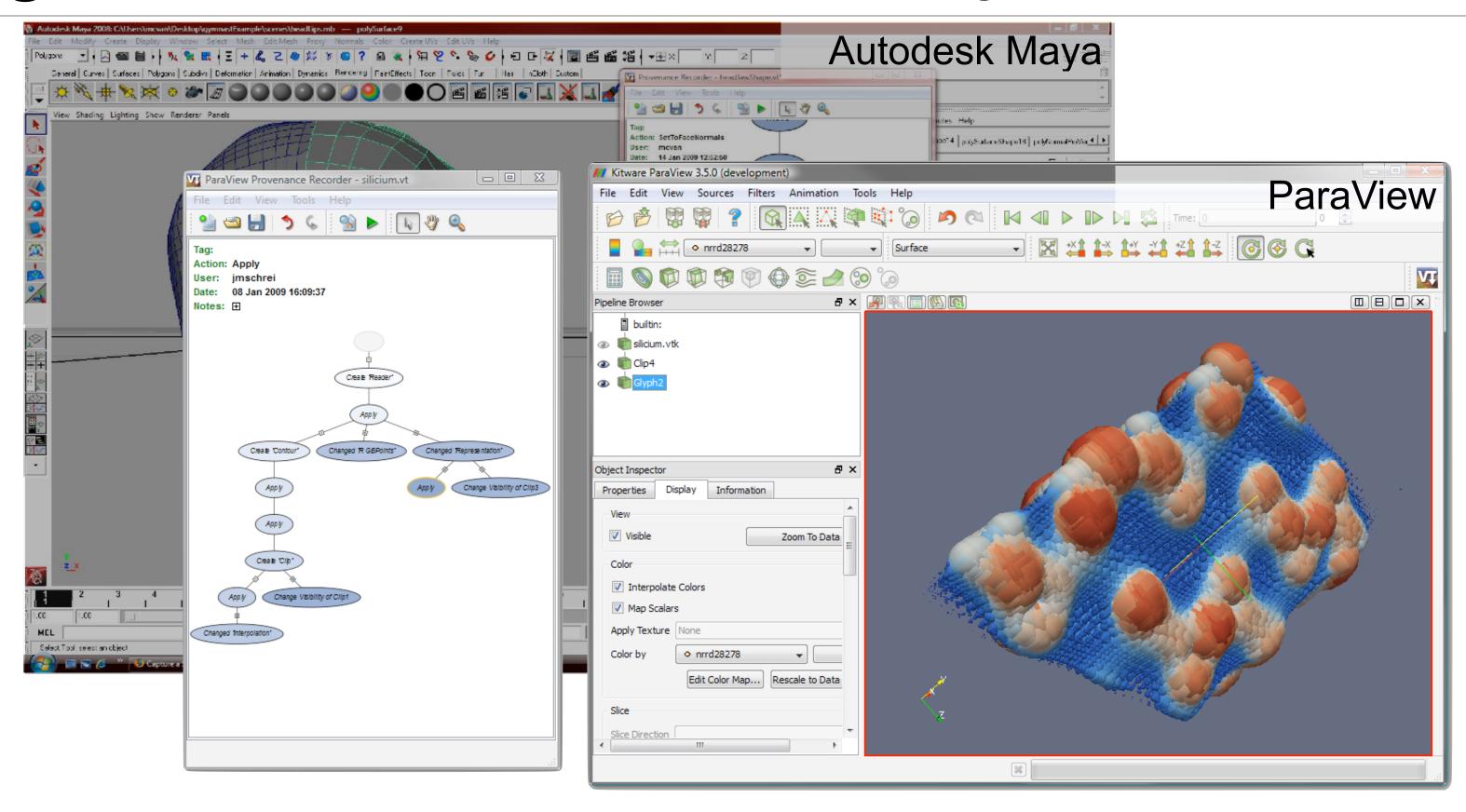


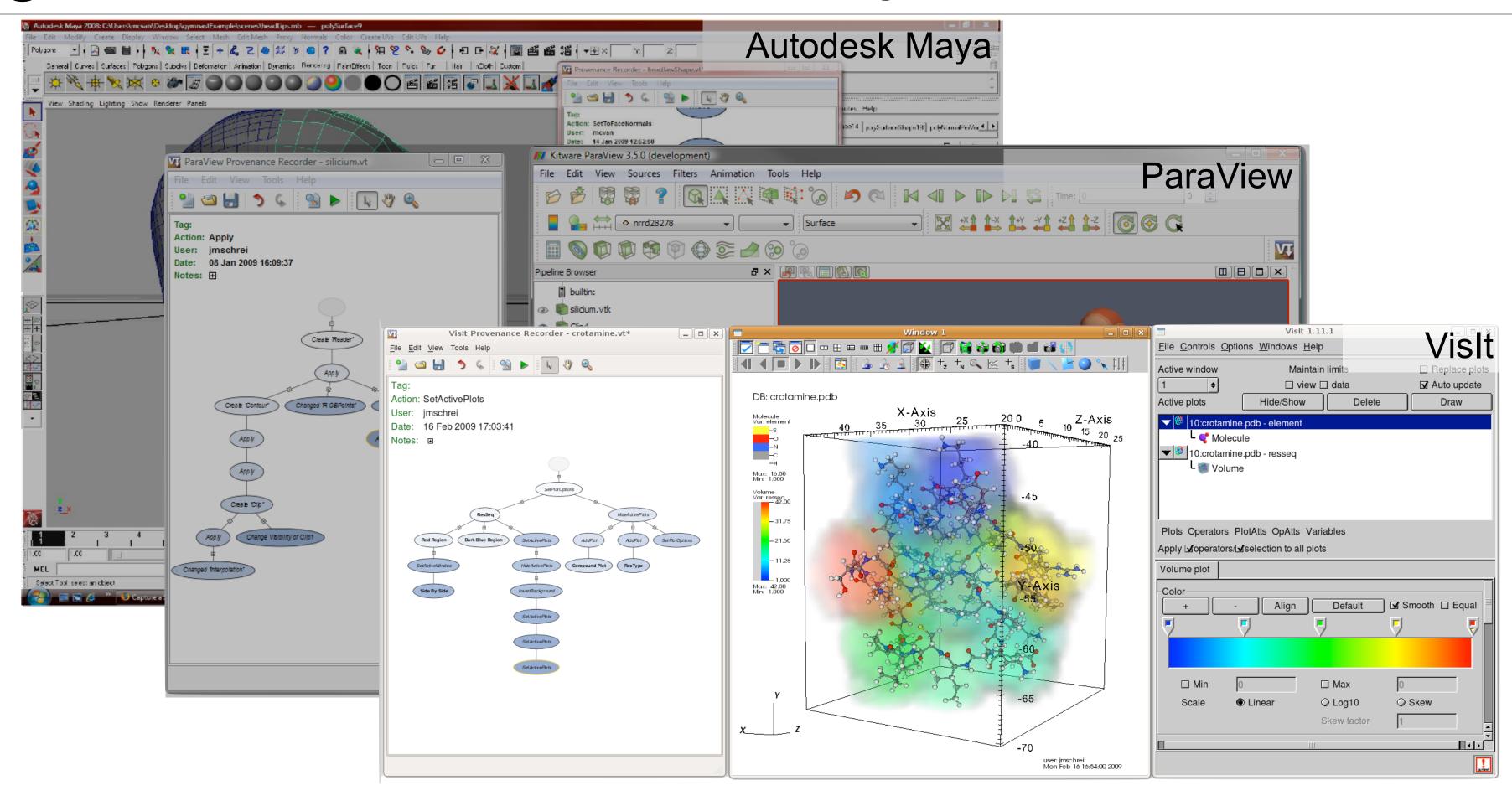
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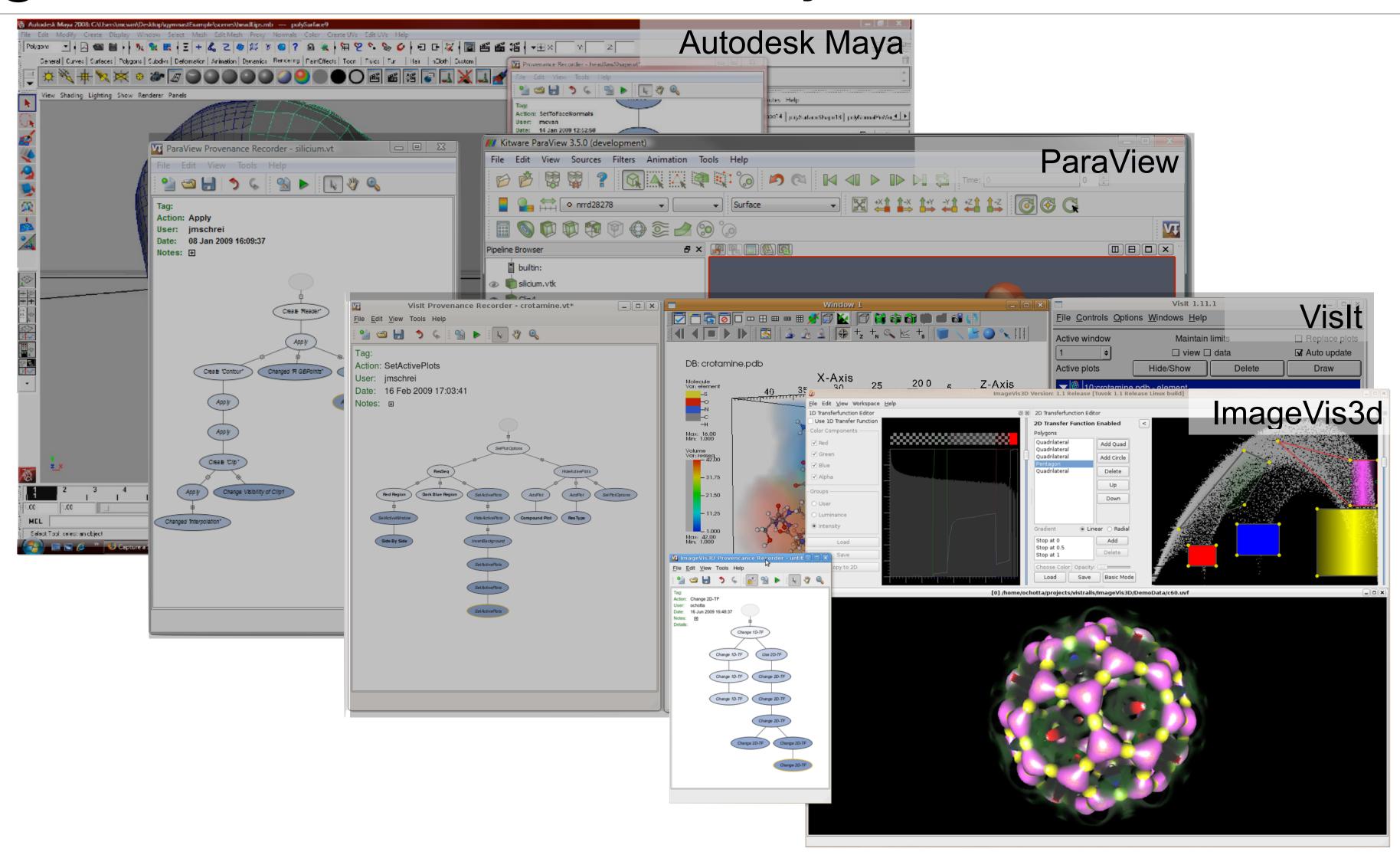
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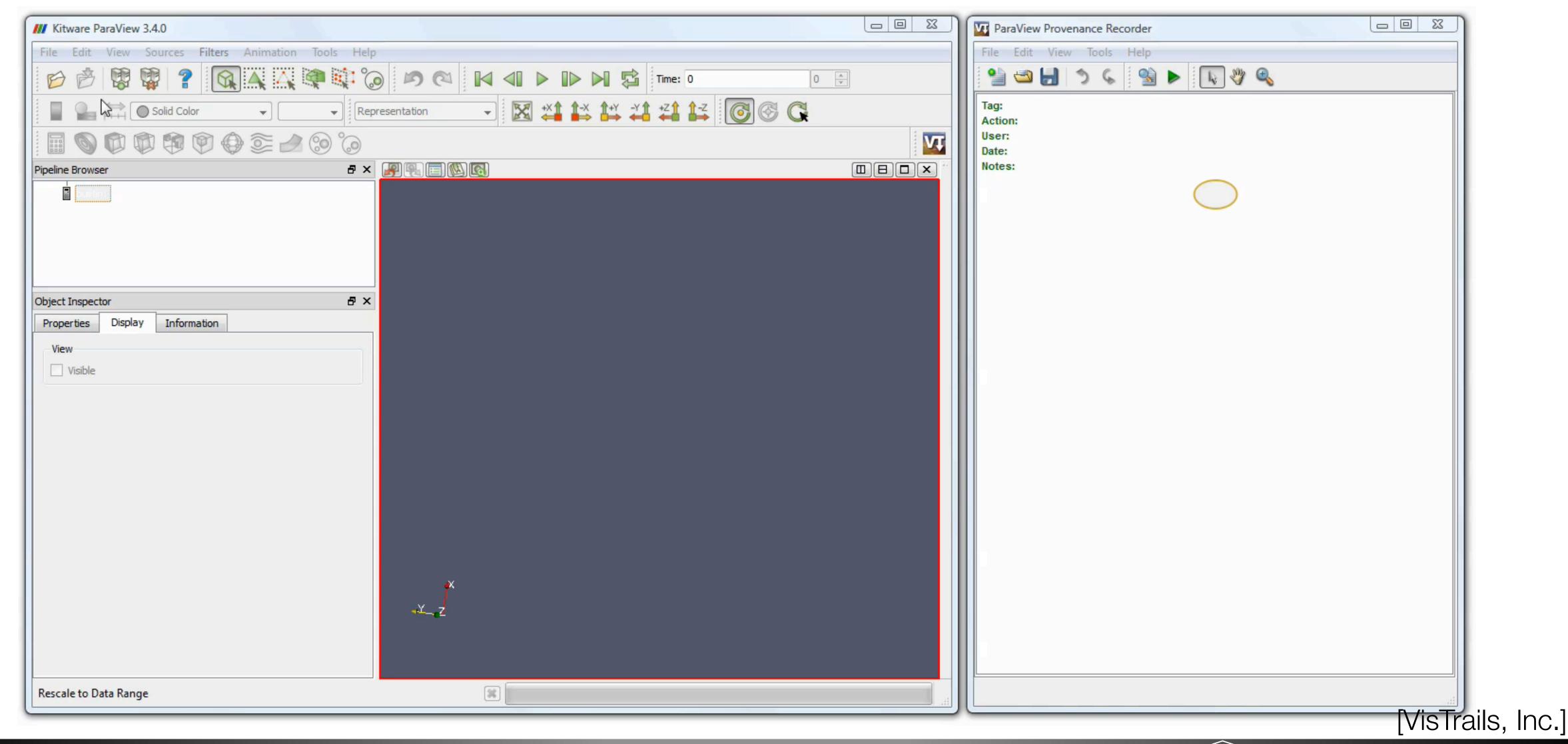




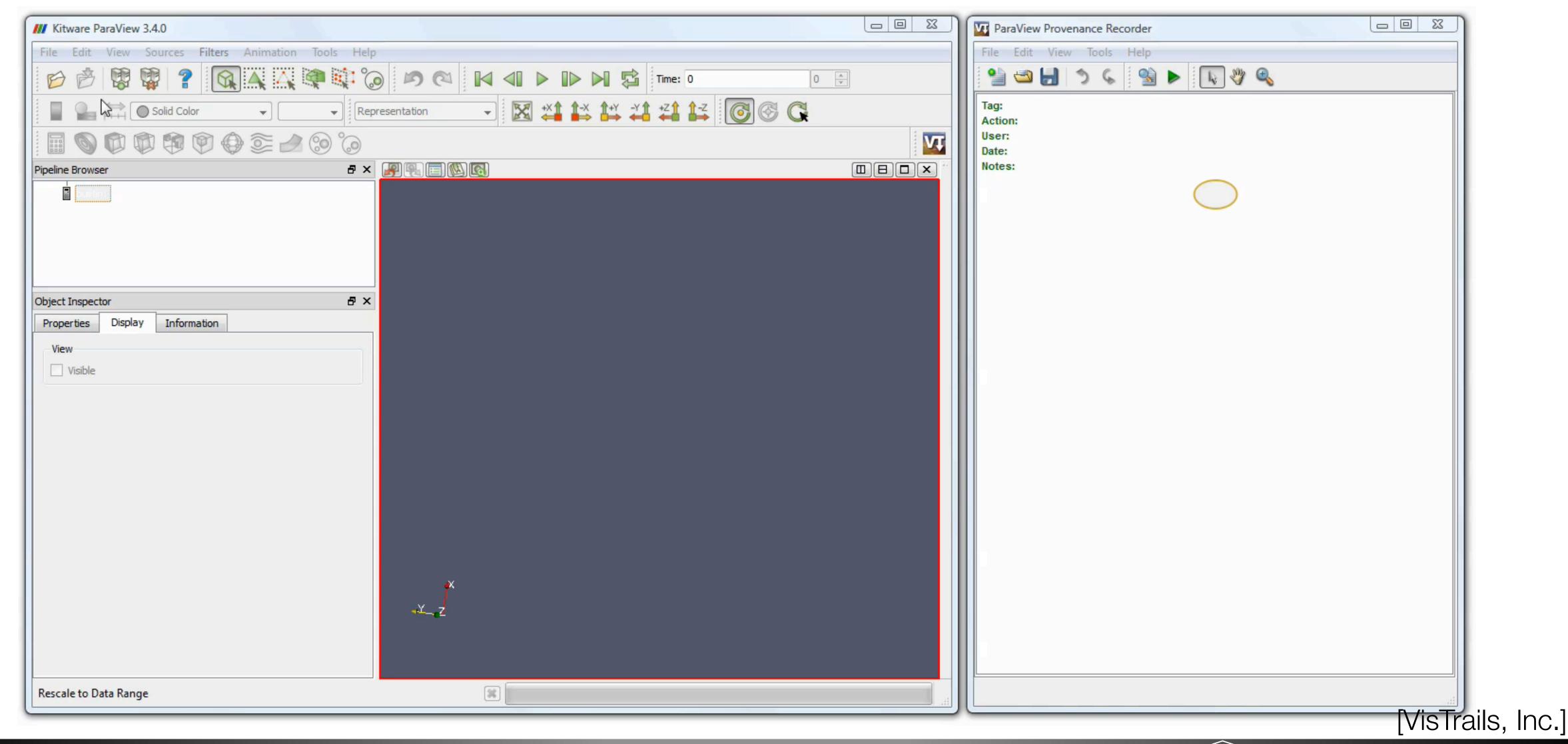




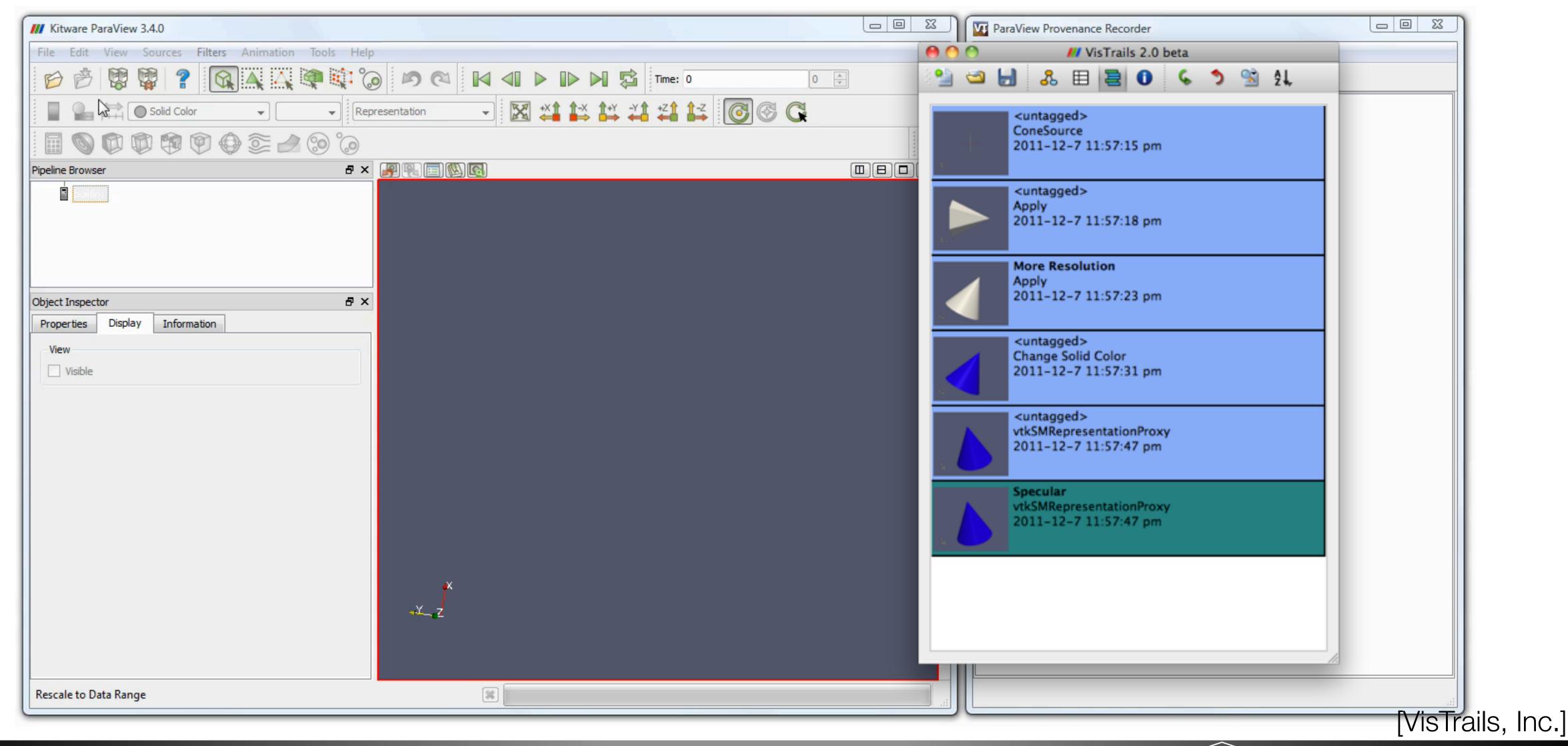
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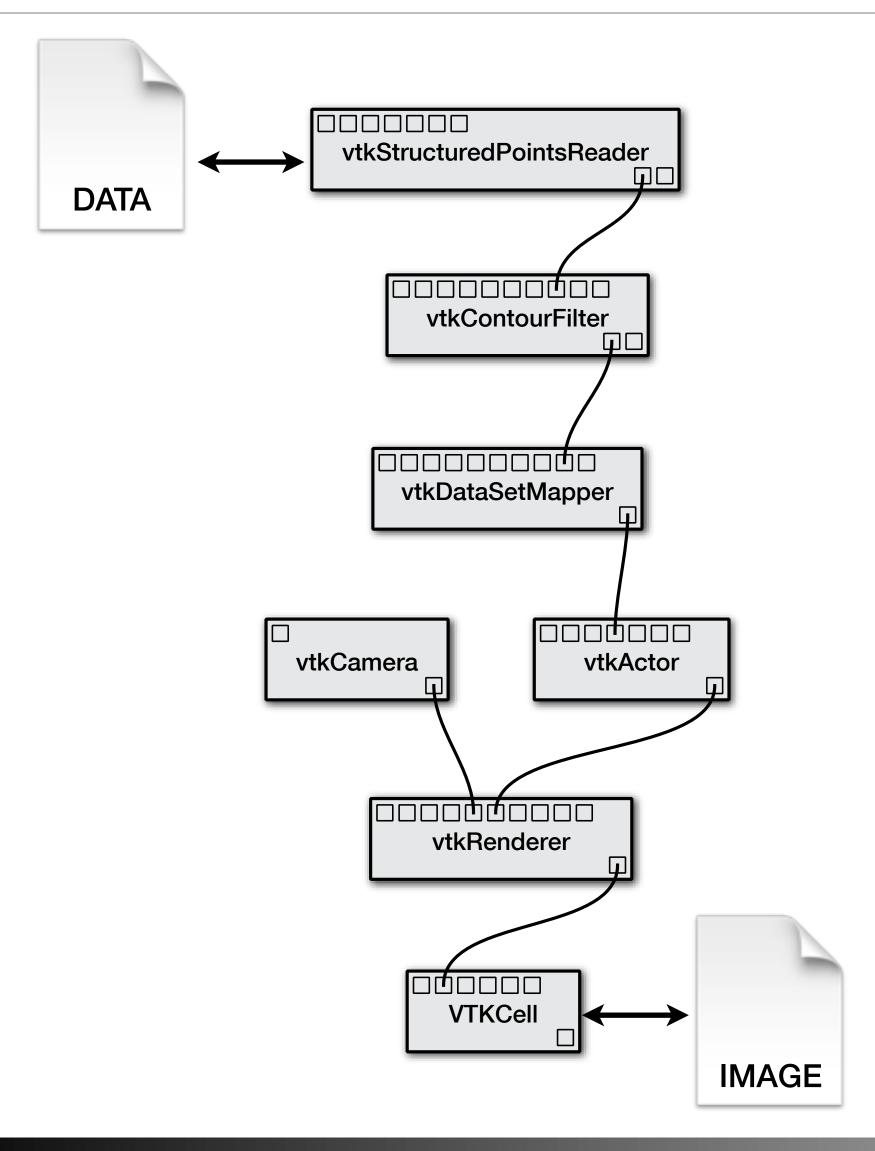


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Querying and Re-using Provenance

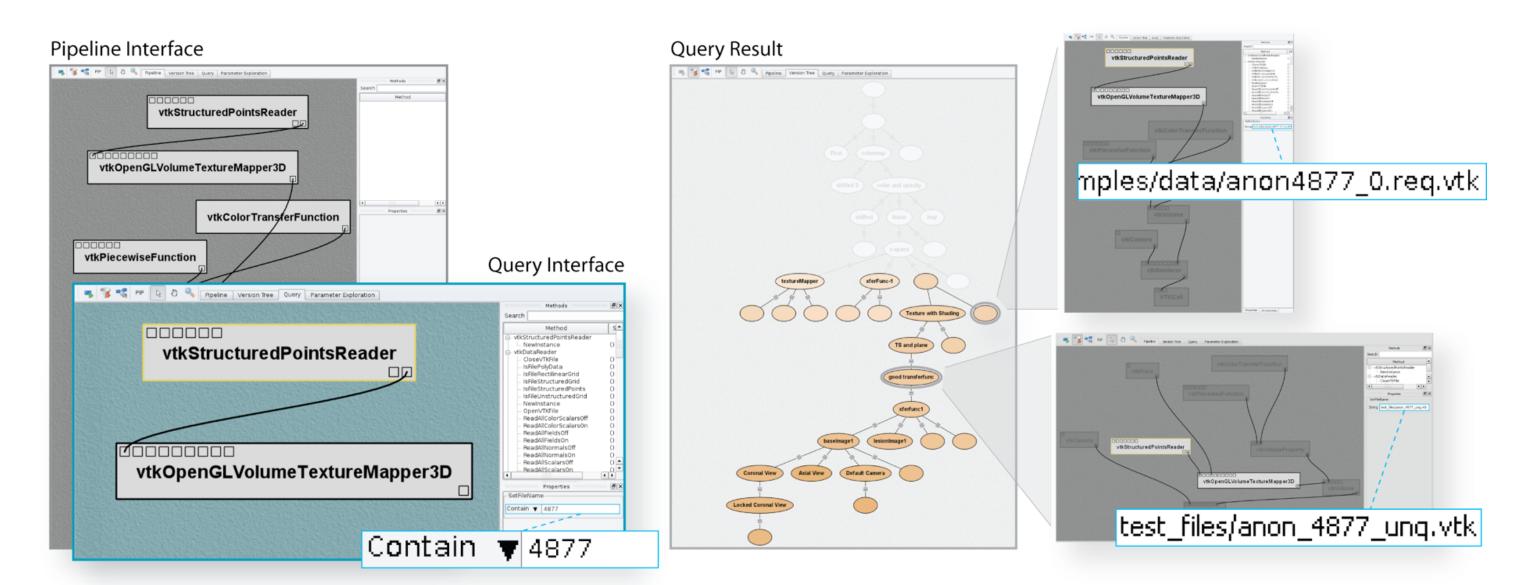
Querying Provenance



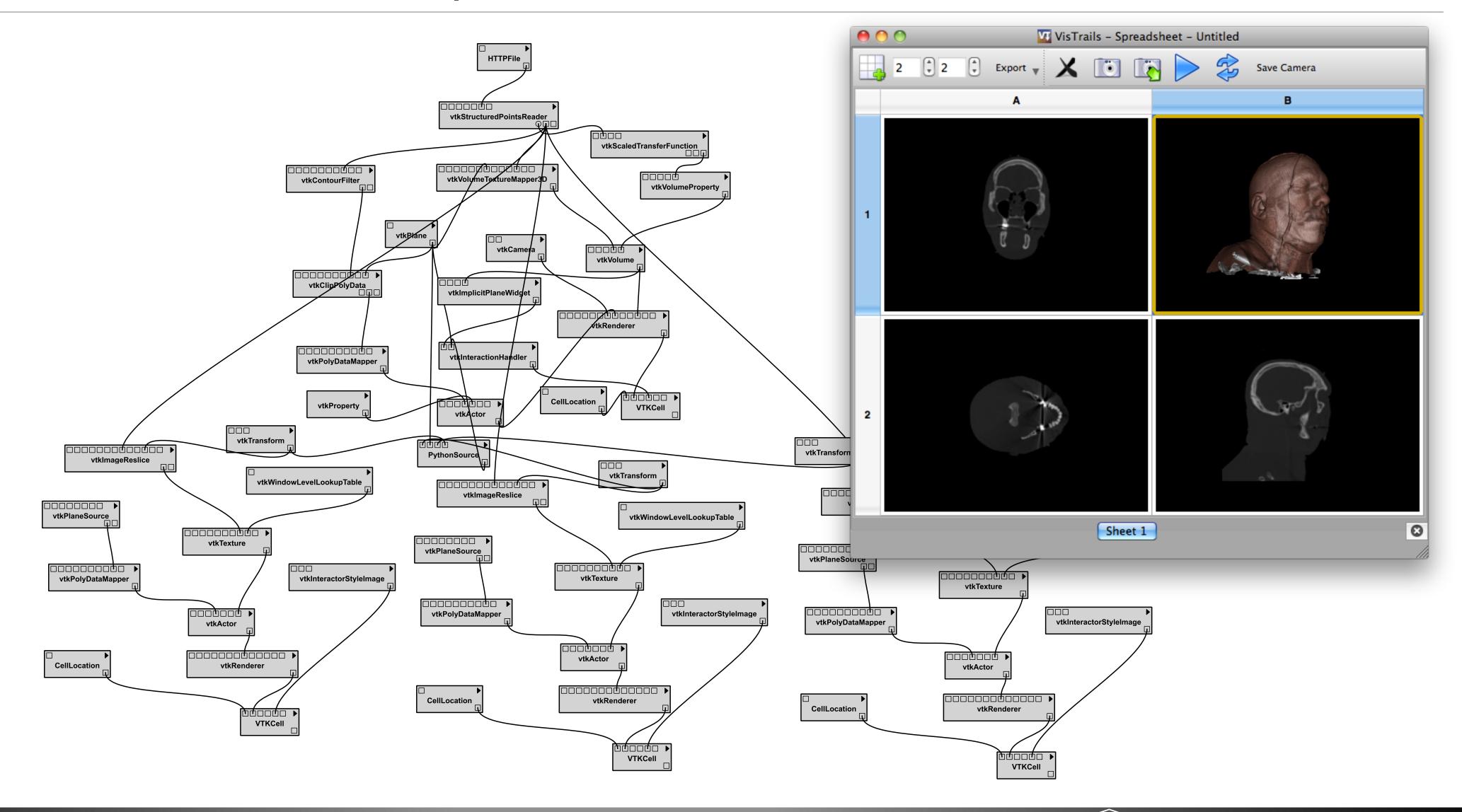
- What process led to the output image?
- What input datasets contributed to the output image?
- What workflows include resampling and isosurfacing with isovalue 57?
- Graph traversal or graph patterns
 - How do we write such queries?

Querying Provenance by Example

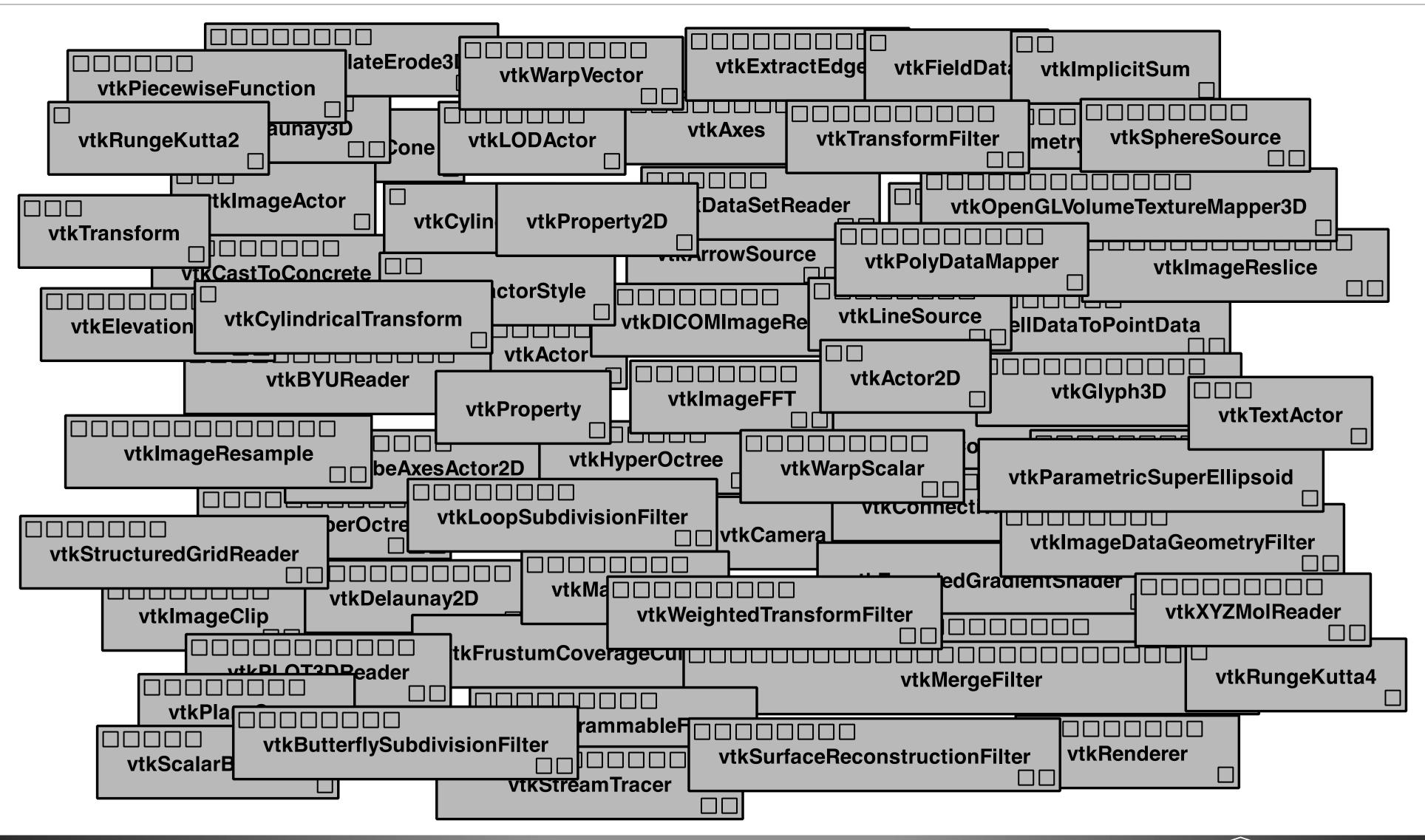
- Provenance is represented as graphs: hard to specify queries using text!
- Querying workflows by example [Scheidegger et al., TVCG 2007; Beeri et al., VLDB 2006; Beeri et al. VLDB 2007]
 - WYSIWYQ -- What You See Is What You Query
 - Interface to create workflow is same as to query



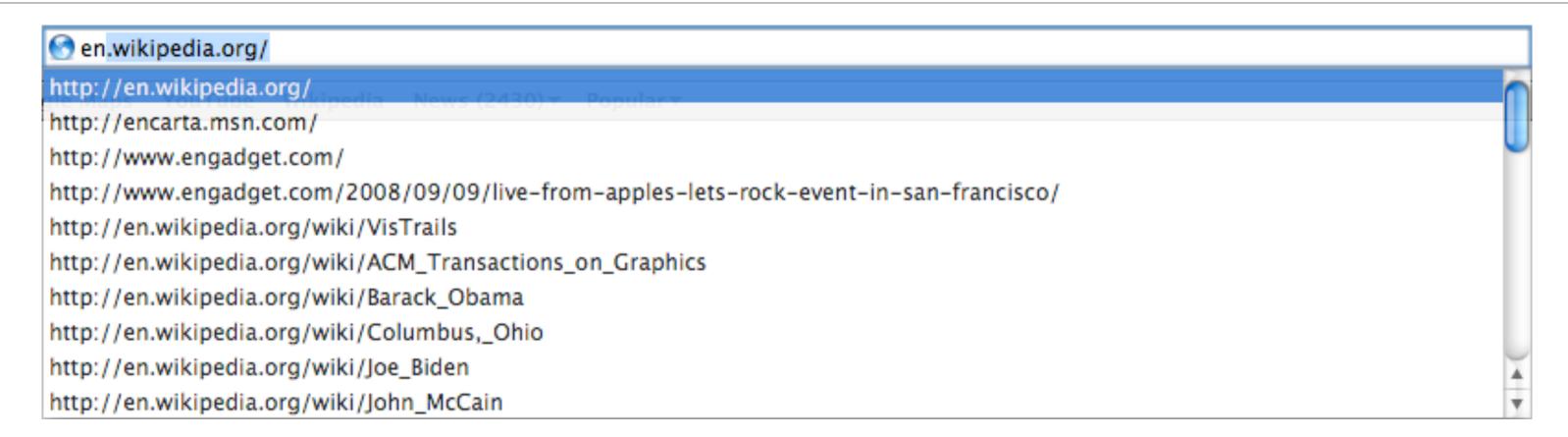
Building Visualization Pipelines



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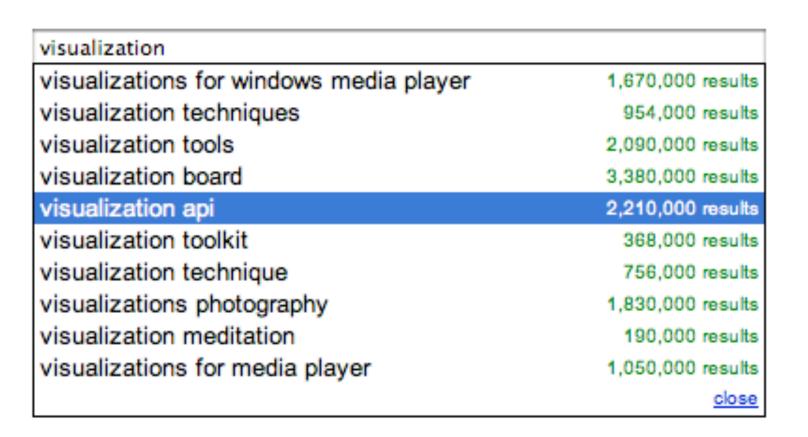
Completions



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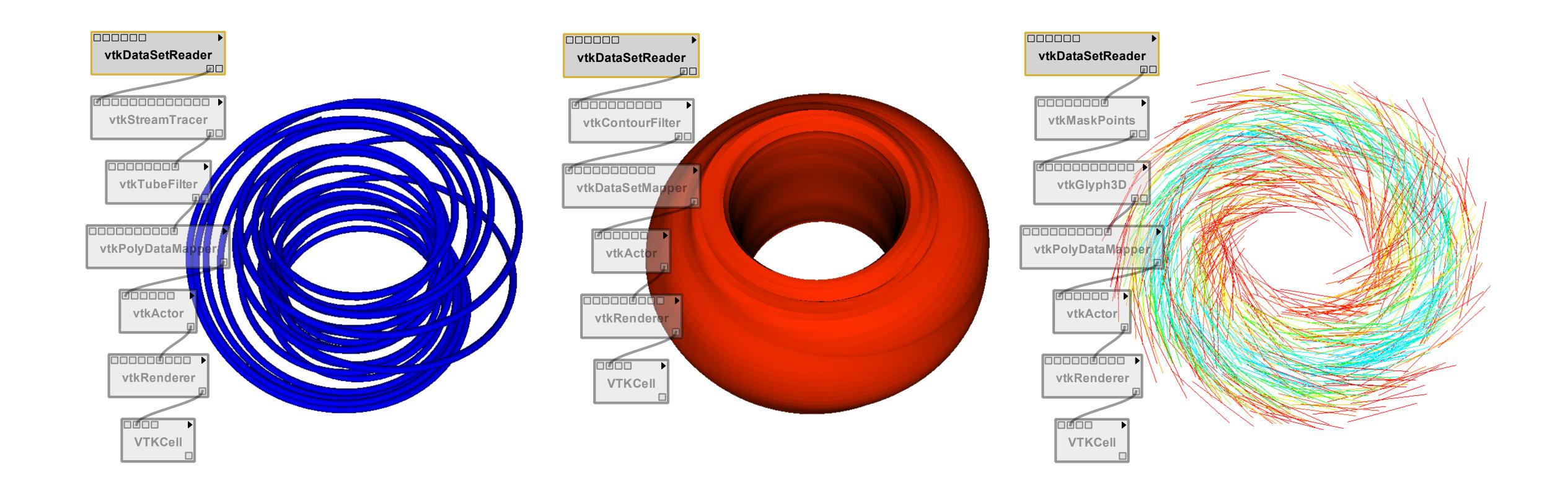
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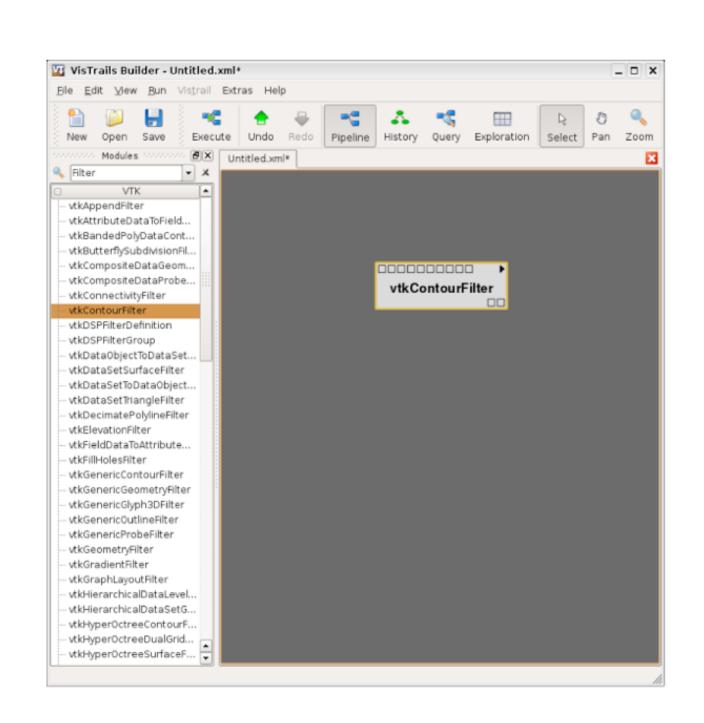
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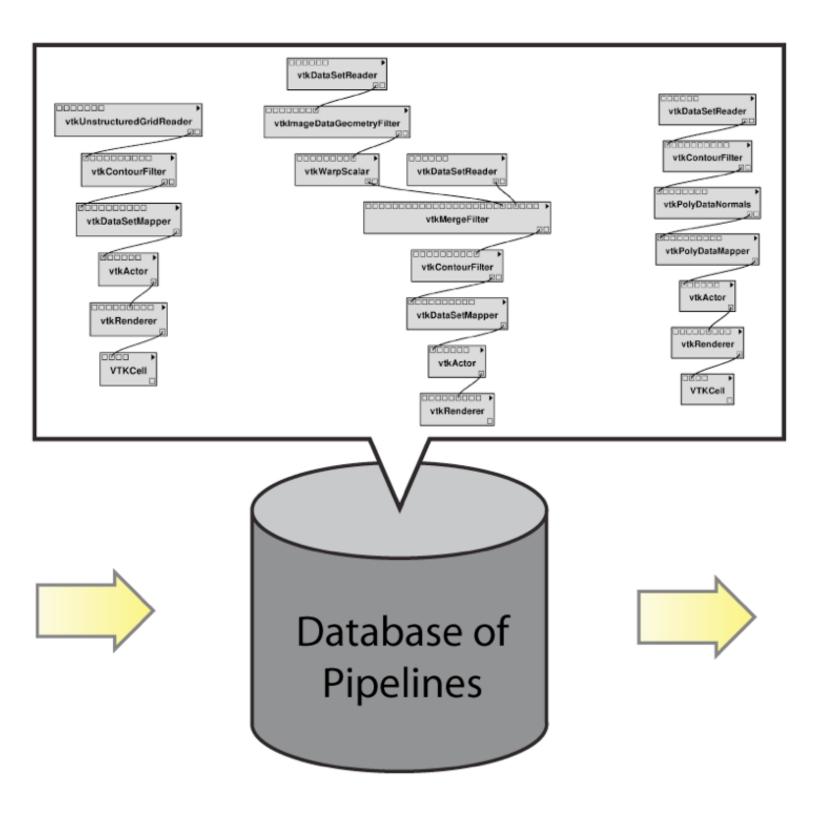
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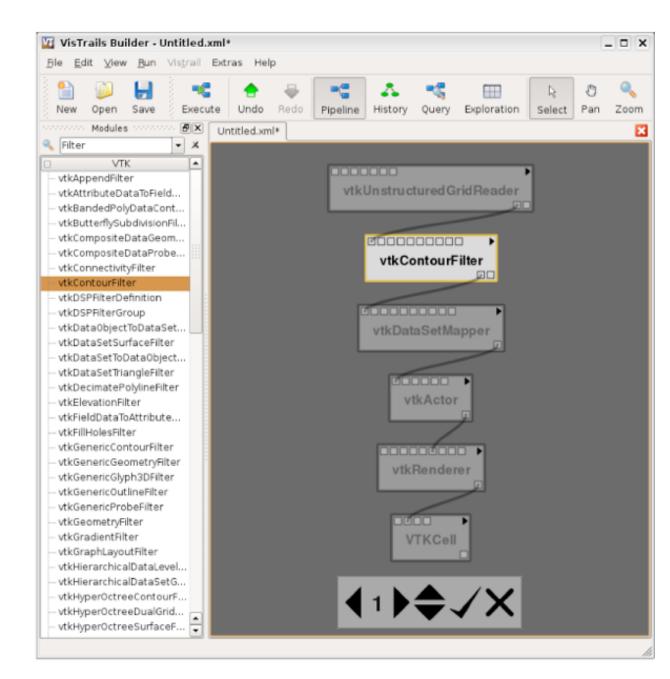


VisComplete Overview

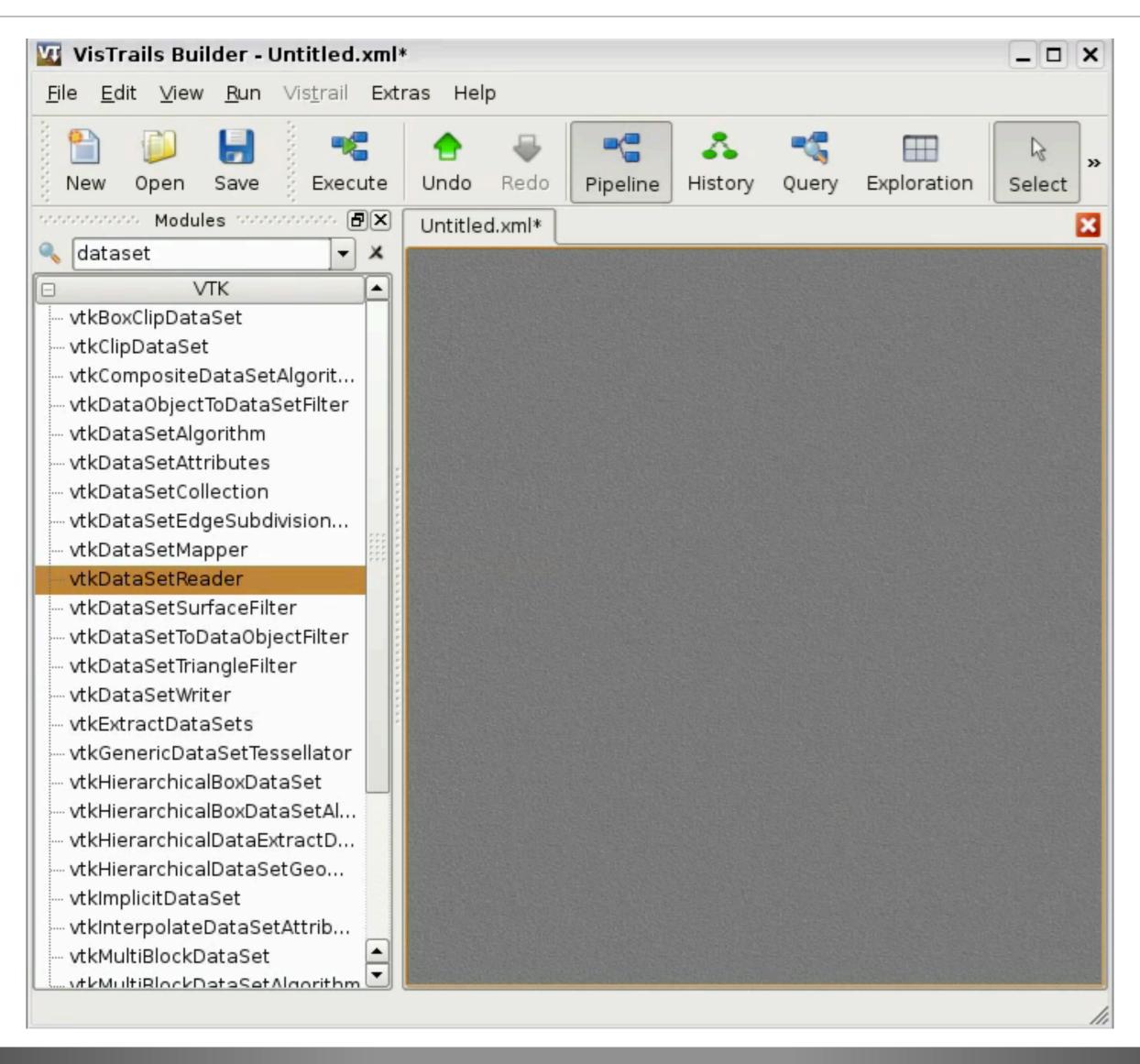
- Mine provenance collection: Identify graph fragments that co-occur in a collection of workflows (Data-Driven)
- Predict sets of likely workflow additions to a given partial workflow



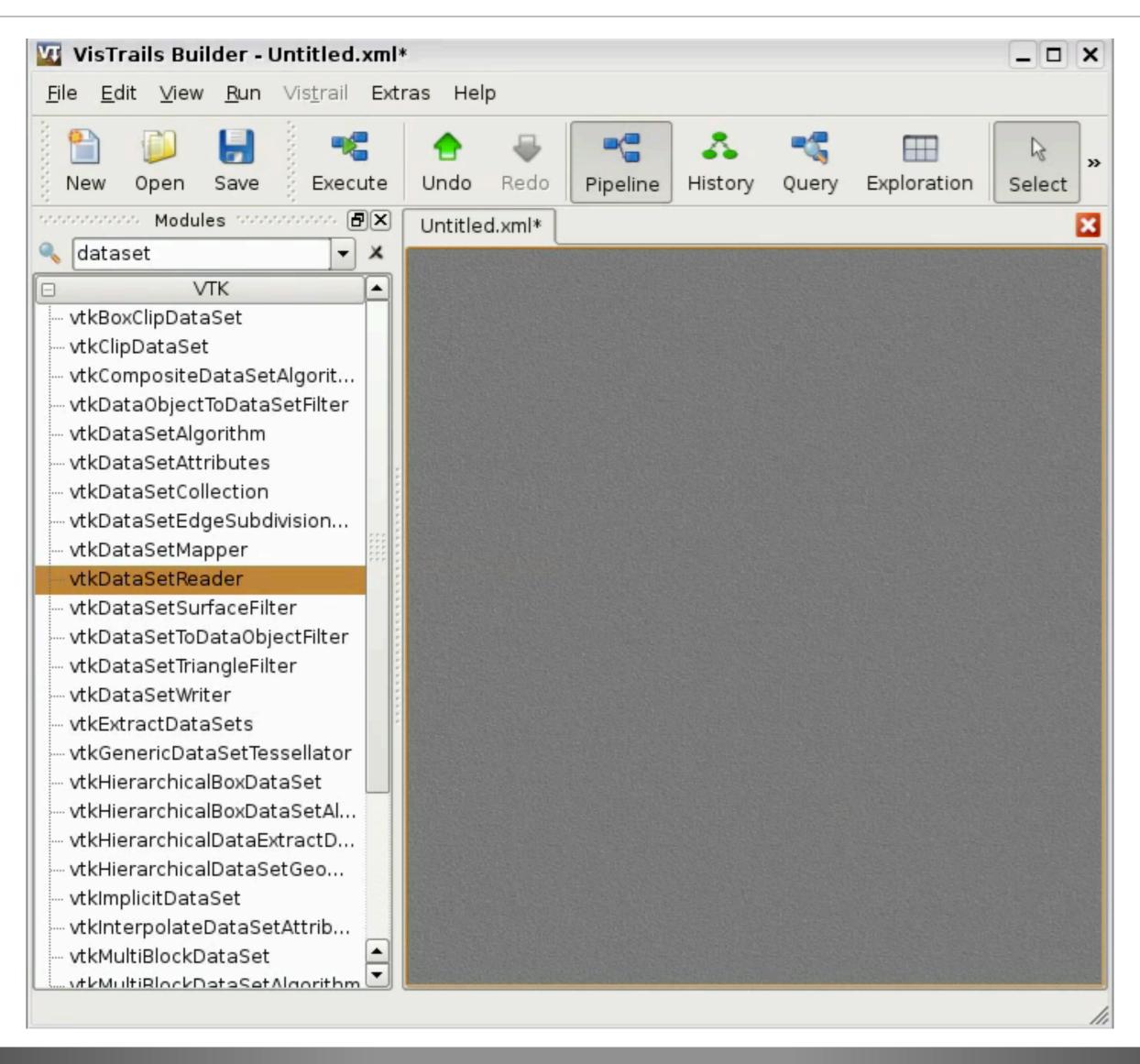




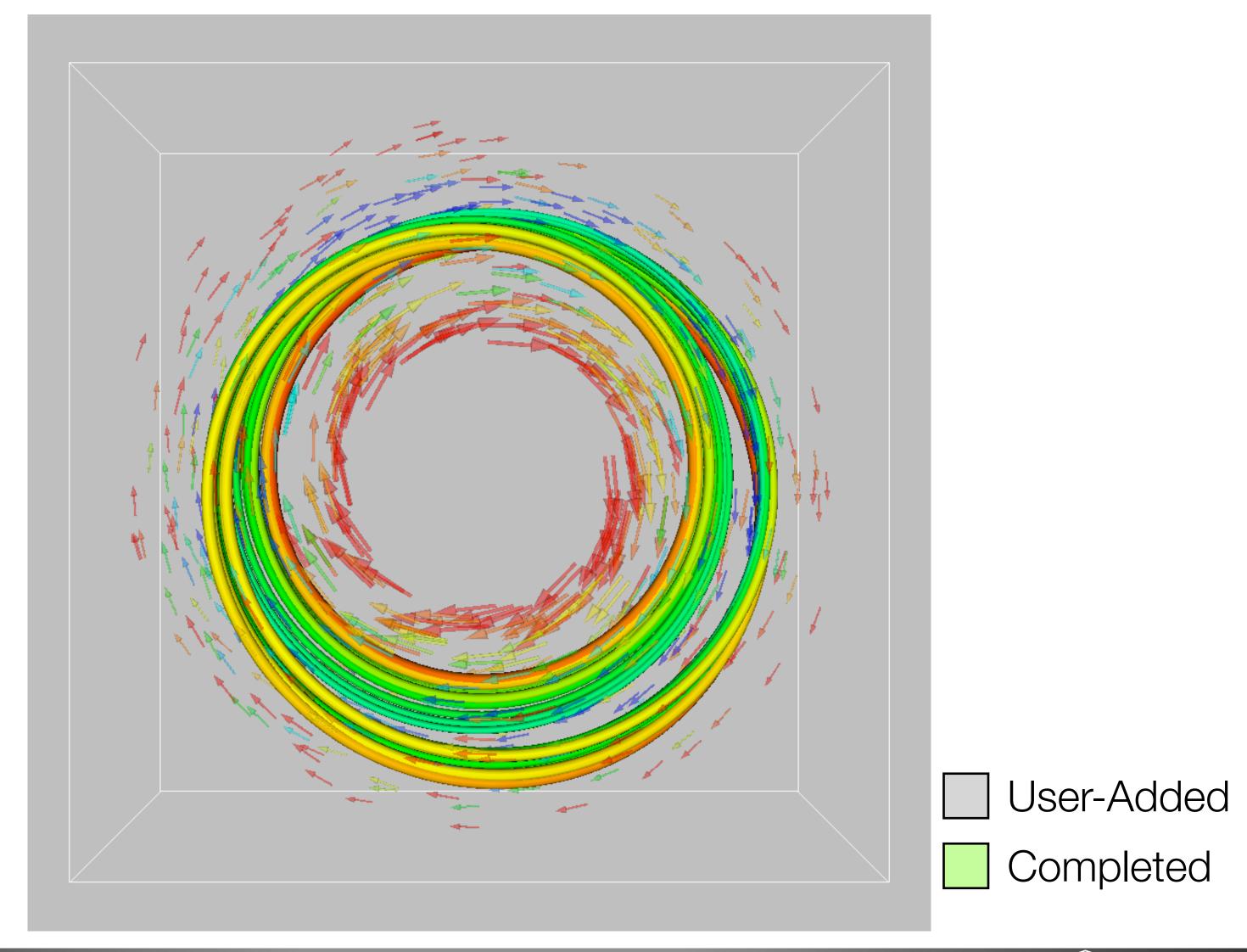
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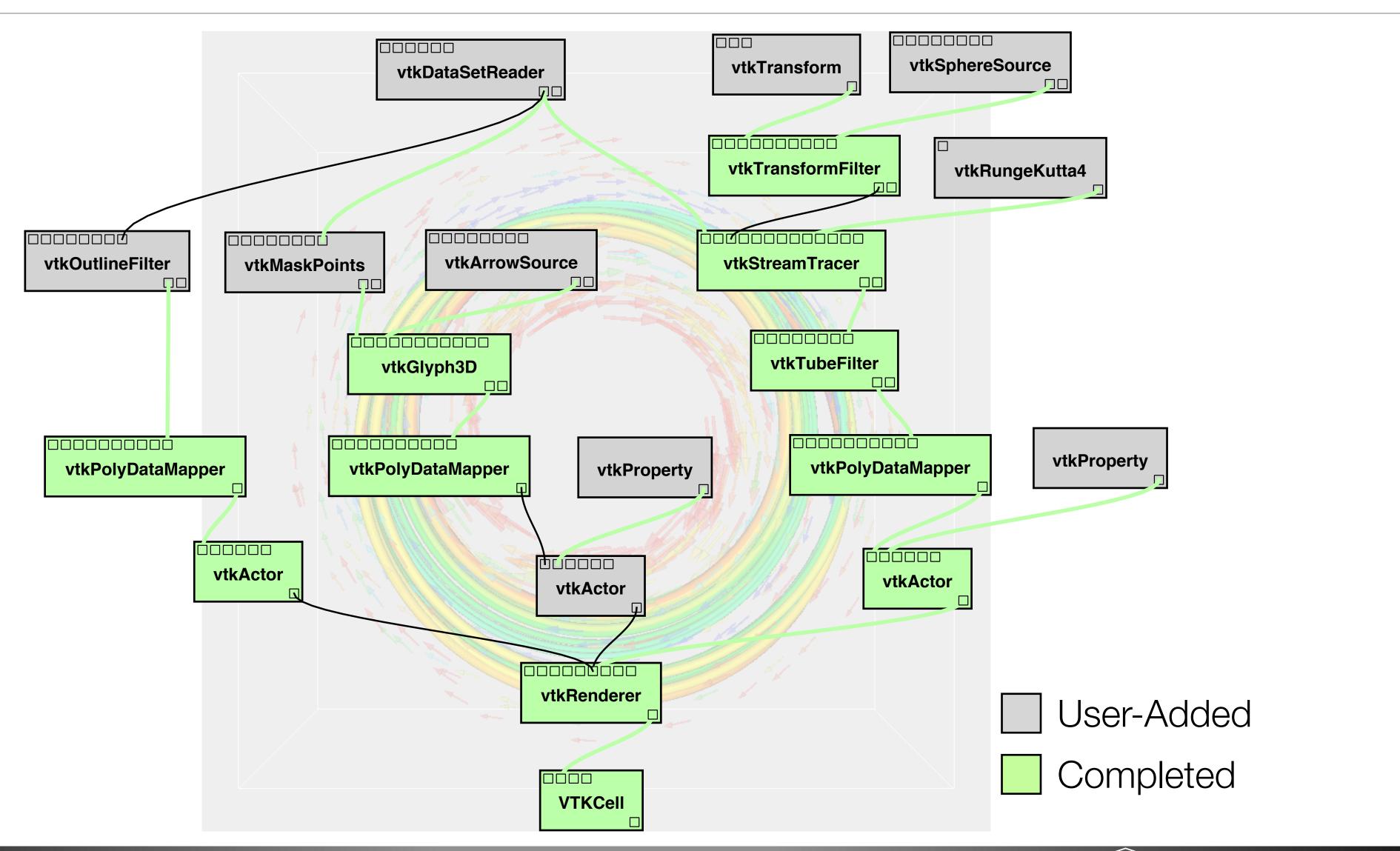
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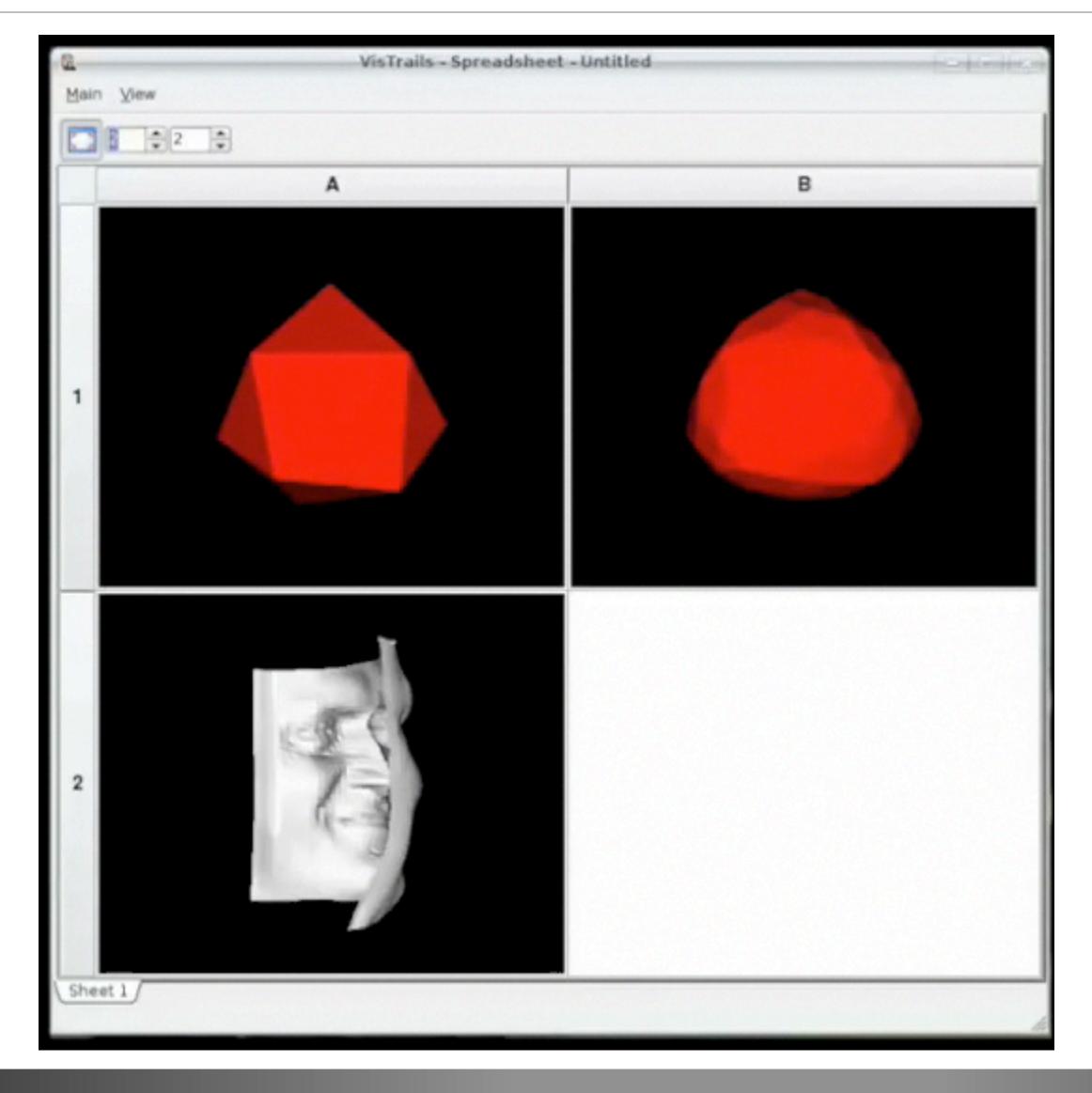


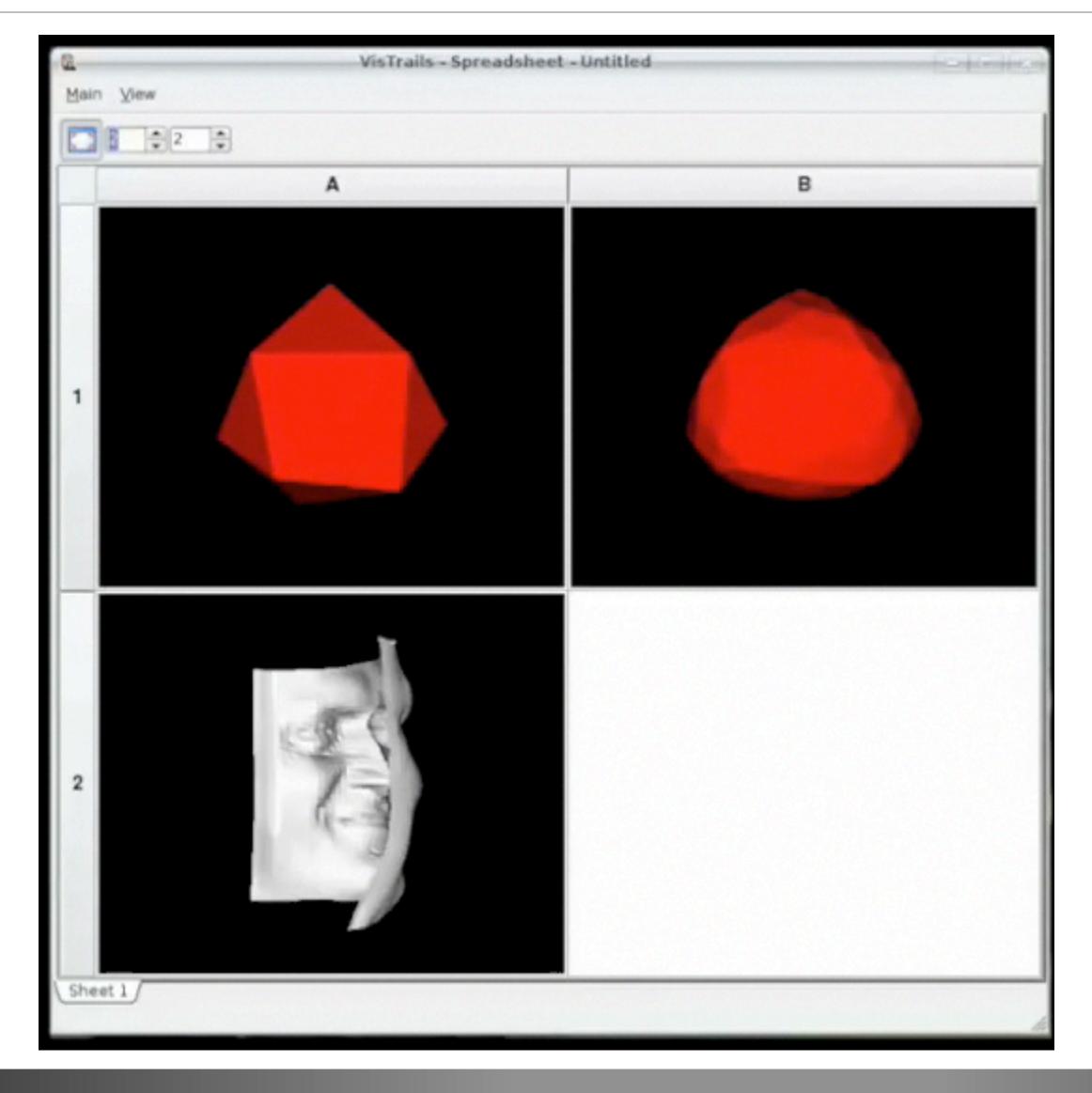
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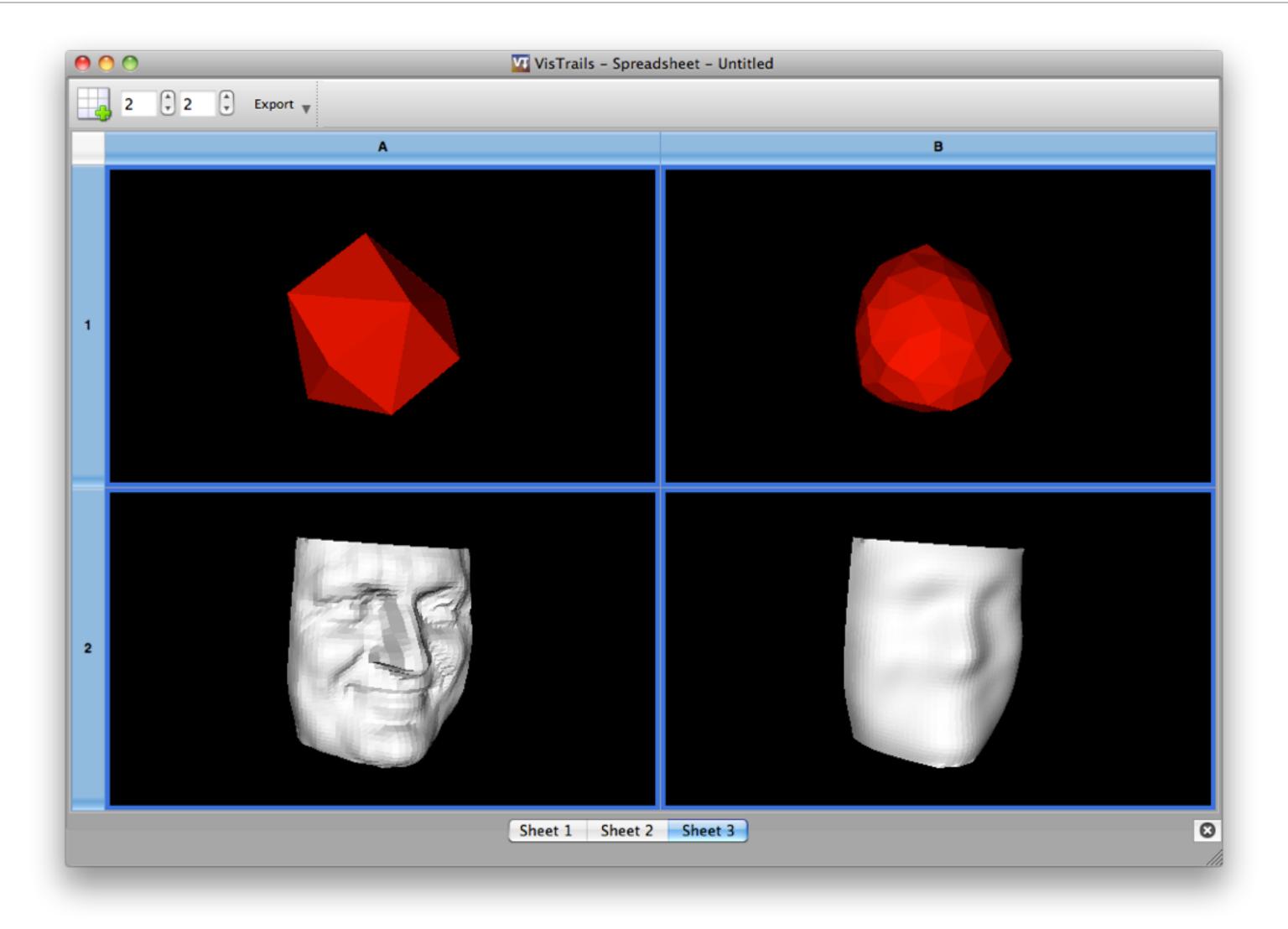


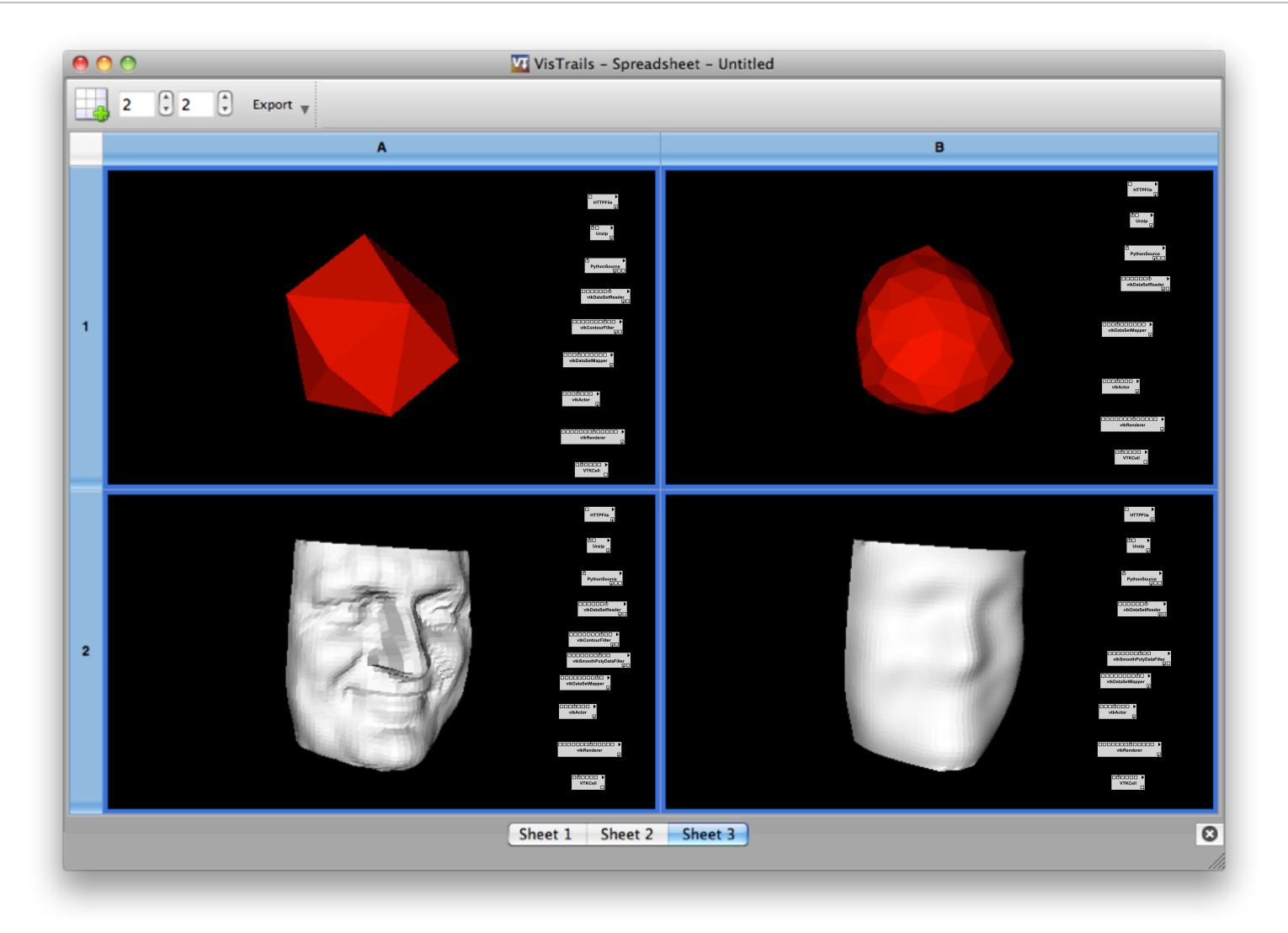
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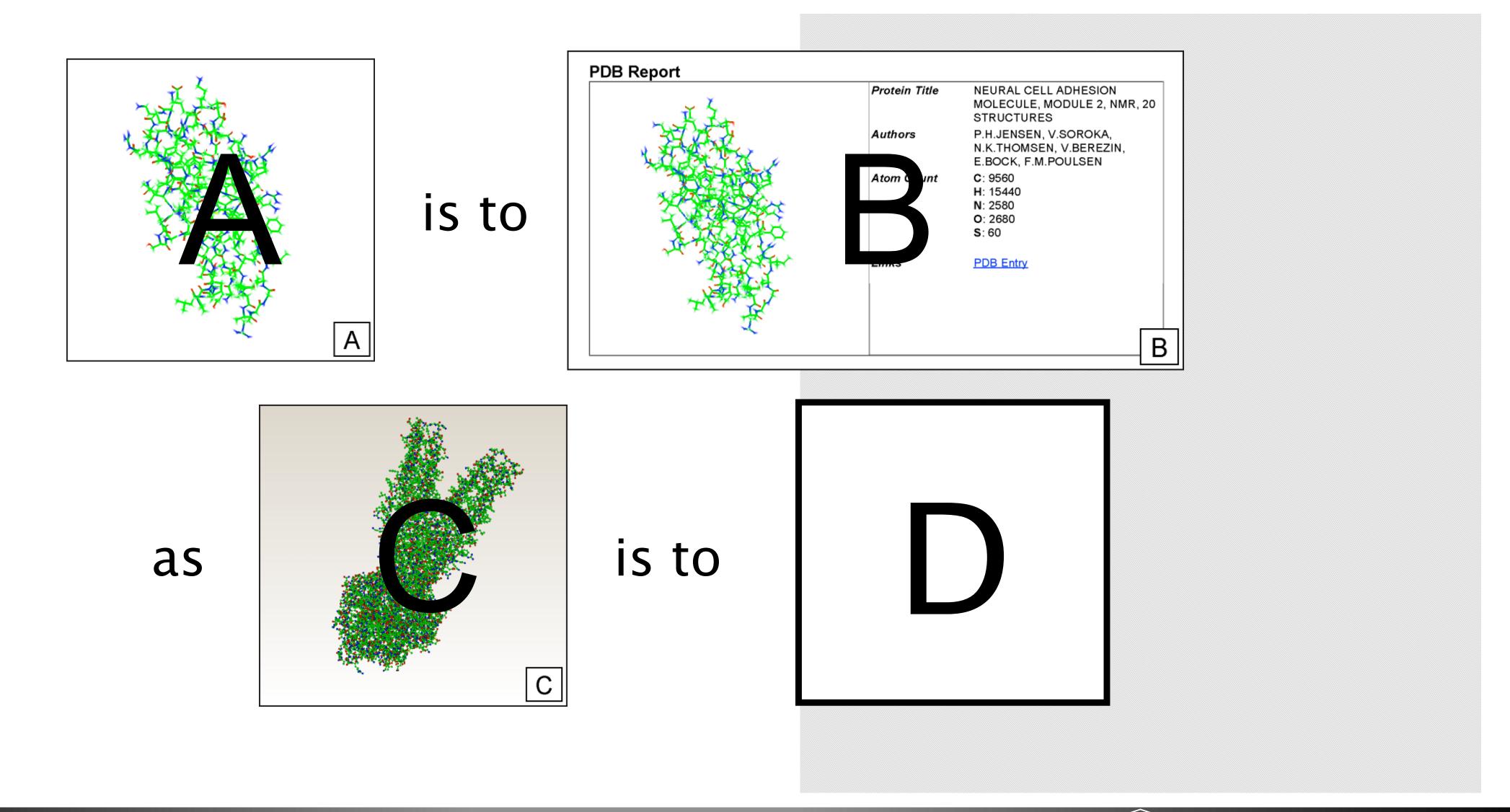


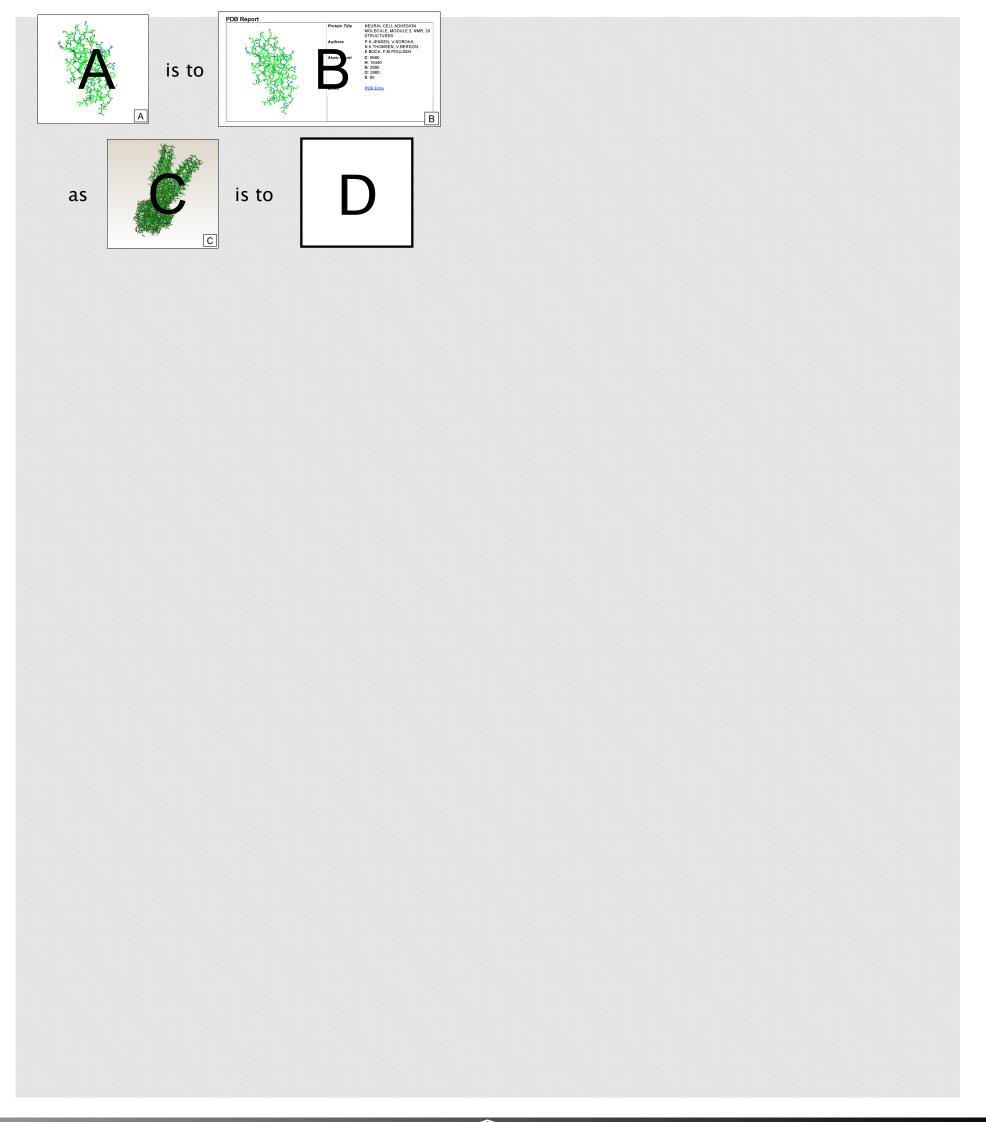




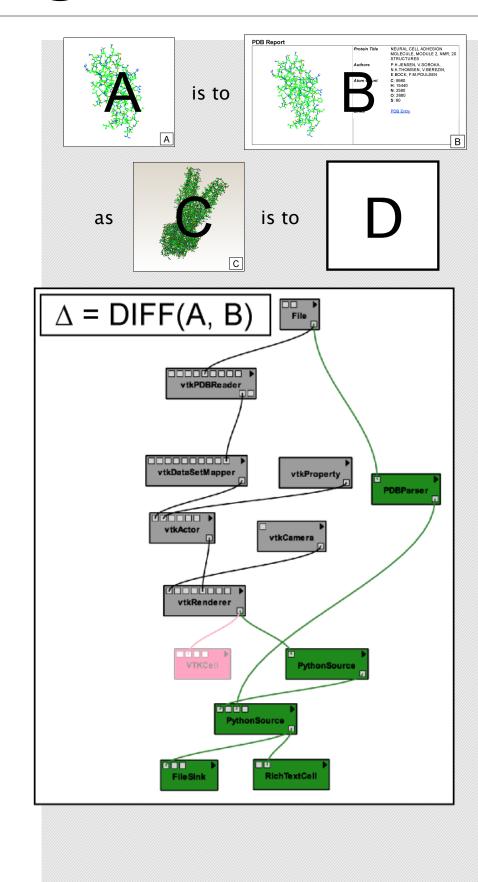




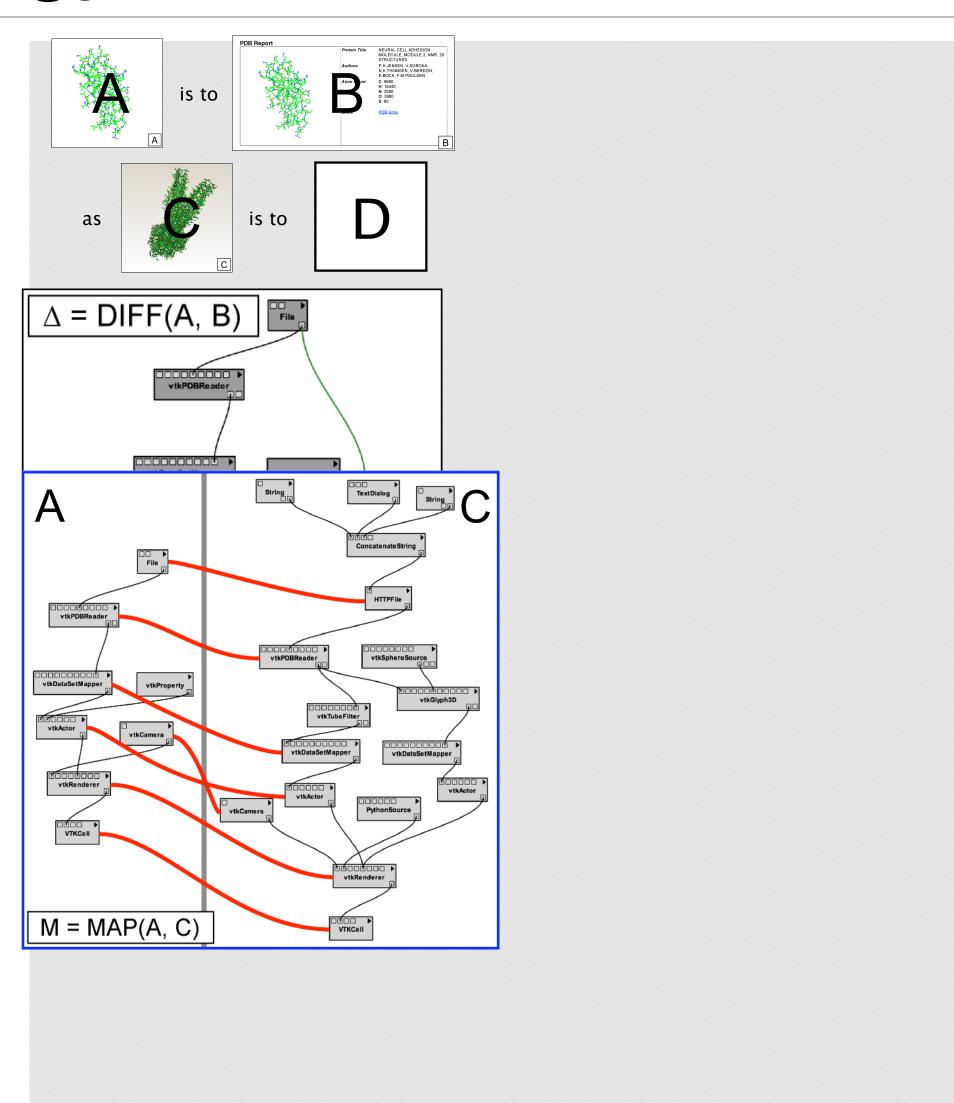




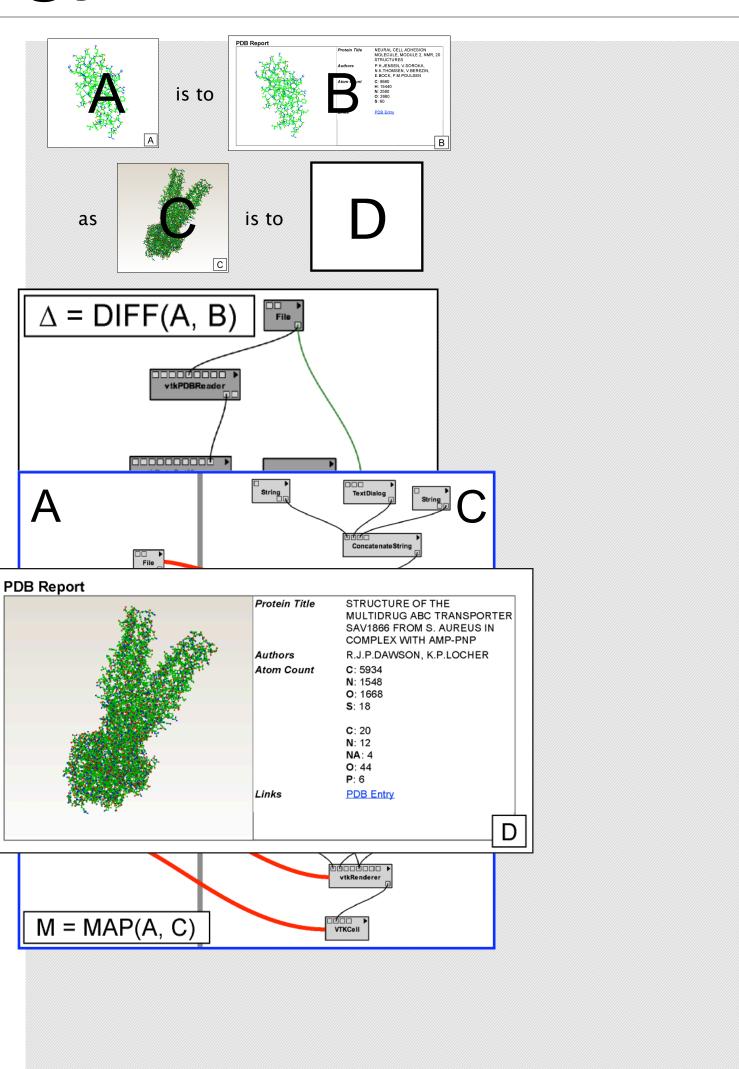
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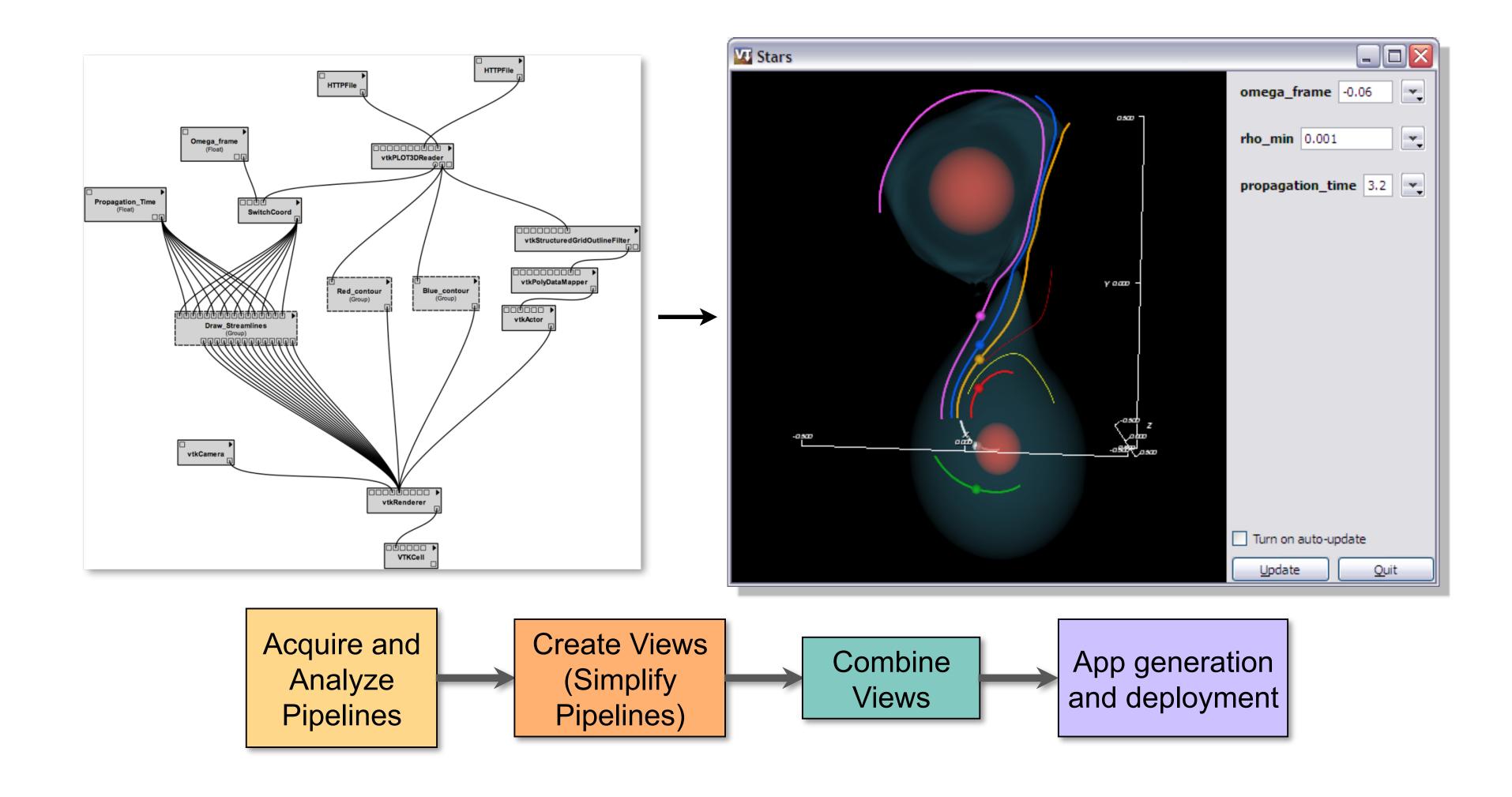
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- Compute mapped difference $\Delta AC(A,B) = map(A,C) \Delta(A,B)$
 - $D = \Delta AC(A,B) \circ C$

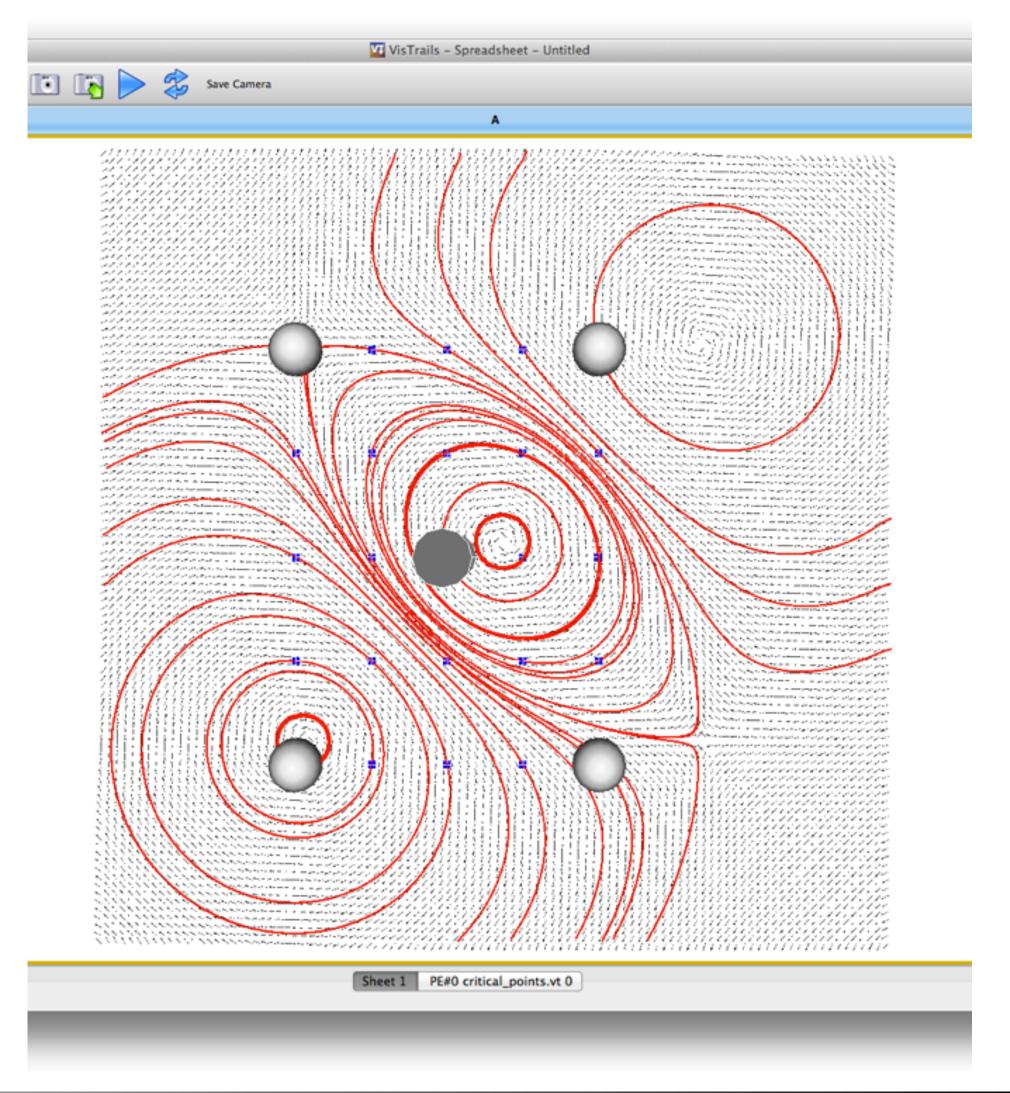


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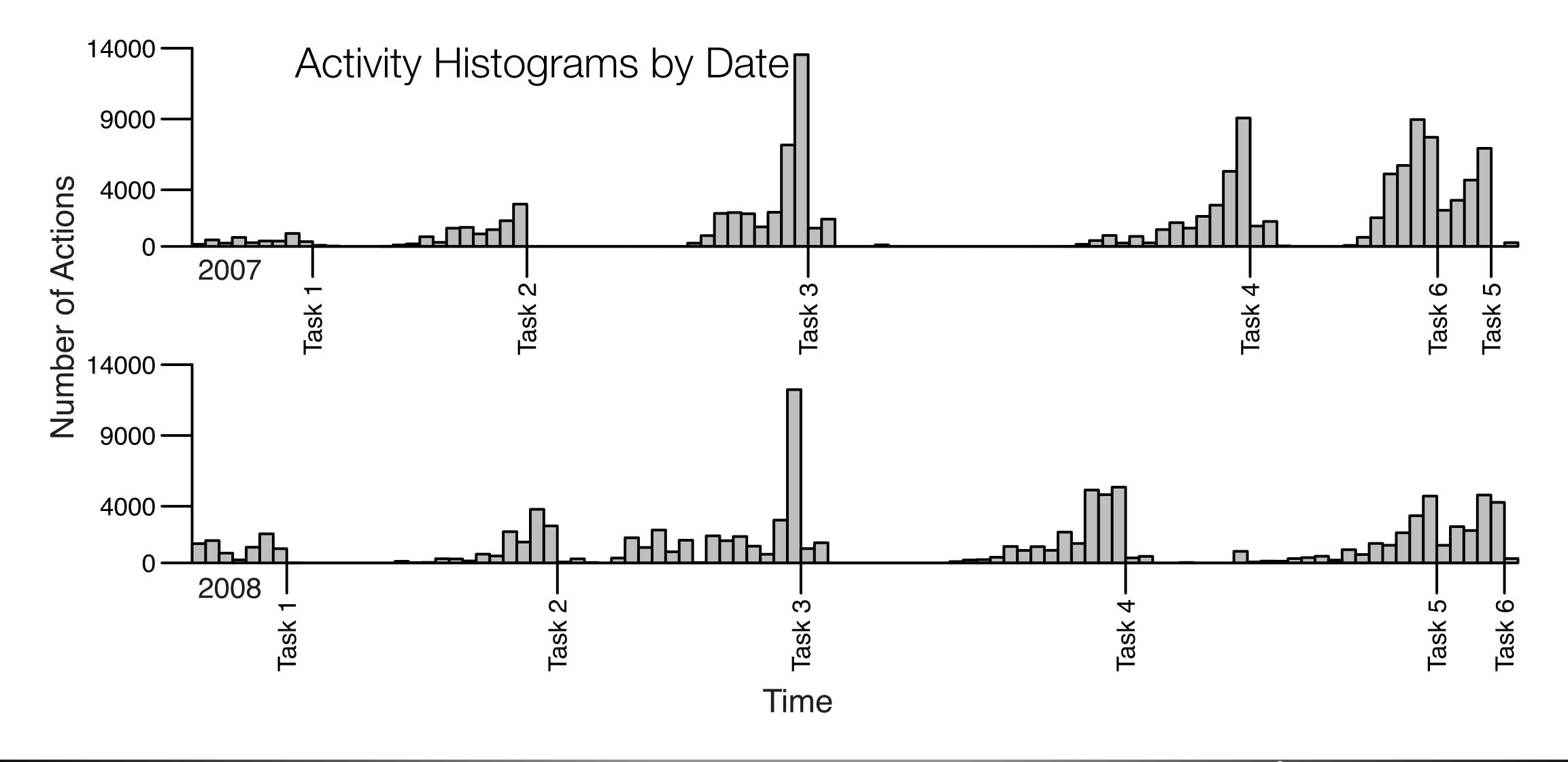


VisTrails for Teaching Scientific Visualization

- "Using VisTrails and Provenance for Teaching Scientific Visualization"
 [Silva et al., Eurographics Educator Program, 2010]
- Same features that scientists use for exploratory tasks can also benefit students
 - Exploration: see all pipelines not just a "final" one
 - Comparison: see different pipelines and what changes exist
 - Assessment: see how a solution was developed

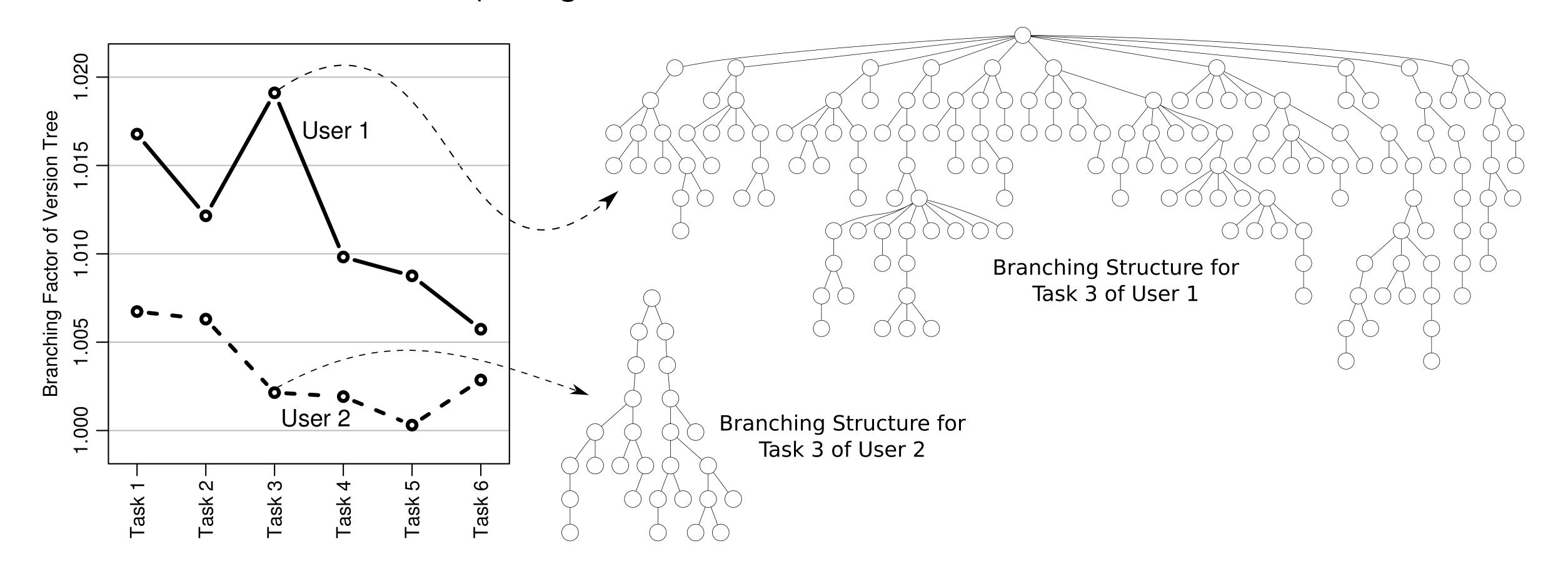


Provenance Analysis of Projects



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Comparing Paths to Solutions for Two Students



The State of Repeatability in Computer Systems Research

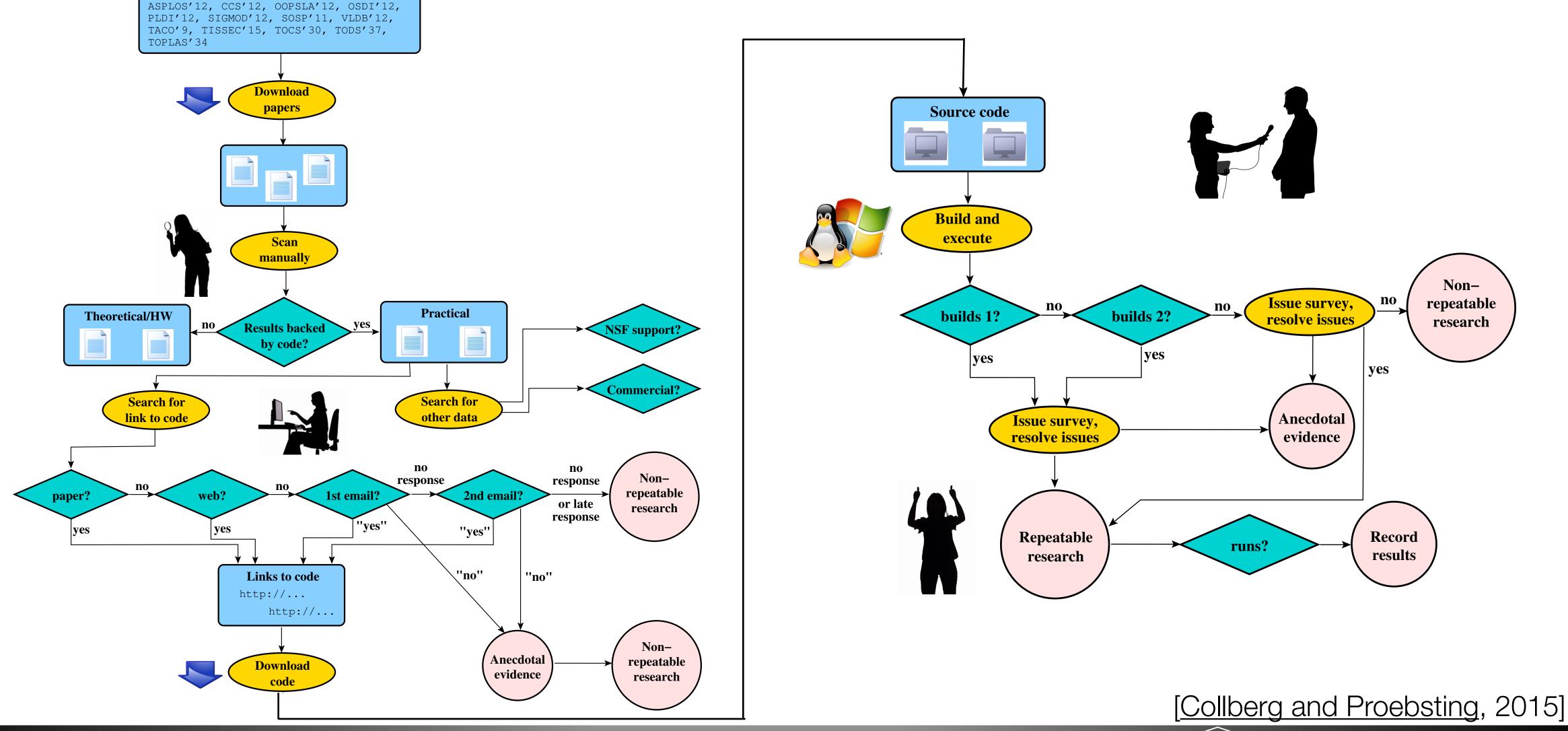
C. Collberg and T. Proebsting CACM 2016



State of Repeatability in Computer Systems

- "Cool paper! Can you send me the system?"
- How hard is it to just re-execute published experiments
- Most people say they will share their code and data are available...
- Weak repeatability: Do authors make the source code used to create the results in their article available, and will it build?

Experiment



Repeatability Results

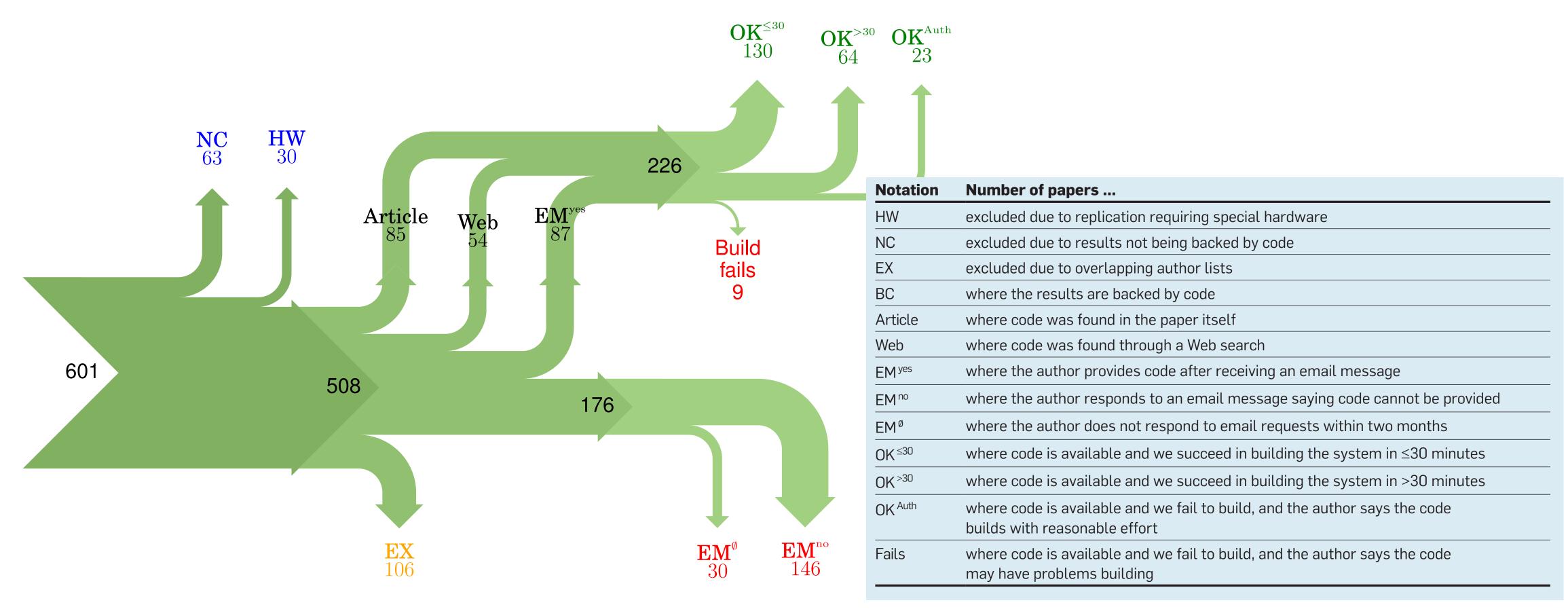


Figure 11: Study result. Blue numbers represent papers that were excluded from consideration, green numbers papers that are weakly repeatable, red numbers papers that are non-weakly repeatable, and orange numbers represent papers that were excluded (due to our restriction of sending at most one email to each author).

[Collberg and Proebsting, 2015]

Excuses

- "Unfortunately the current system is not mature"
- "The code was never intended to be released so it is not in any shape for general use"
- "[Our] prototype included many moving pieces that only [student] knew how to operate... he left"
- "... the server in which my implementation was stored had a disk crash ... three disks crashed... Sorry for that"

Excuses

- "...when we attempted to share it, we [spent] more time getting outsiders up to speed than on our own research"
- "... we can't share what [we] did for this paper. ... this is not in the academic tradition, but this is a hazard in an industrial lab"
- "... based on earlier (bad) experience, we [want] to make sure that our implementation is not used in situations that it is not meant for"

Excuse Classification

- Versioning
- Available Soon
- No Intention to Share
- Personnel Issues
- Lost Code
- Academic Tradeoffs
- Industrial Lab Tradeoffs
- Obsolete HW/SW
- Controlled Usage
- Privacy/Security
- Design Issues

[Collberg and Proebsting, 2015]

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Some of these are (partially) people problems, not technical problems

Examining 'Reproducibility in Computer Science'

- Repeat the experiment in reproducibility!
- Differences from original
- Shows issues with trying to classify experiments

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[S. Krishnamurthi et al.]

Recommendations

- Fund repeatability engineering
- Require sharing contracts

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Support	 kinds: resolve installation issues, fix bugs, upgrade to new language and operating system versions, port to new environments, improve performance, add features expense: free, non-free, free for academics expiration date

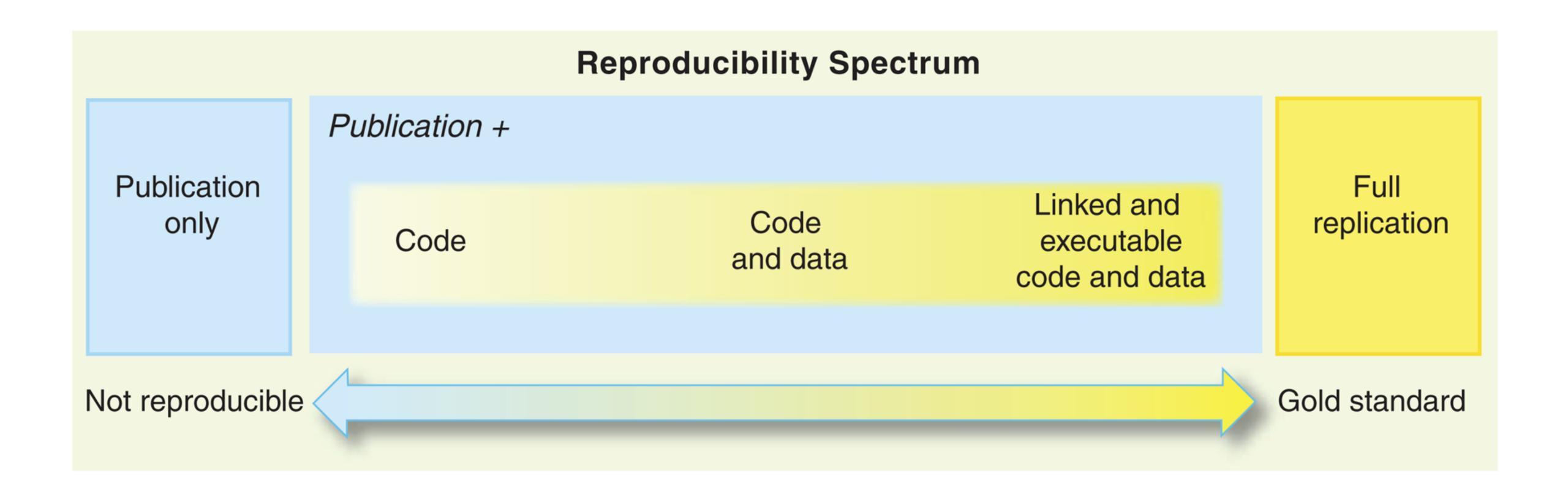
[Collberg and Proebsting, 2015]

Reproducible Research

- Science is verified by replicating work independently
- Replication Issues:
 - Requires many resources to replicate (Sloan Digital Sky Survey)
 - Requires significant computing power (Climate Model Simulation)
 - Requires too much time or very specific circumstances (Environment Epidemiology)
- Reproducibility
 - Replication of the analysis based on the collected data (not replicating the data collection itself)
 - Better if we have the actual code or available executables

[R. D. Peng]

Reproducibility Spectrum



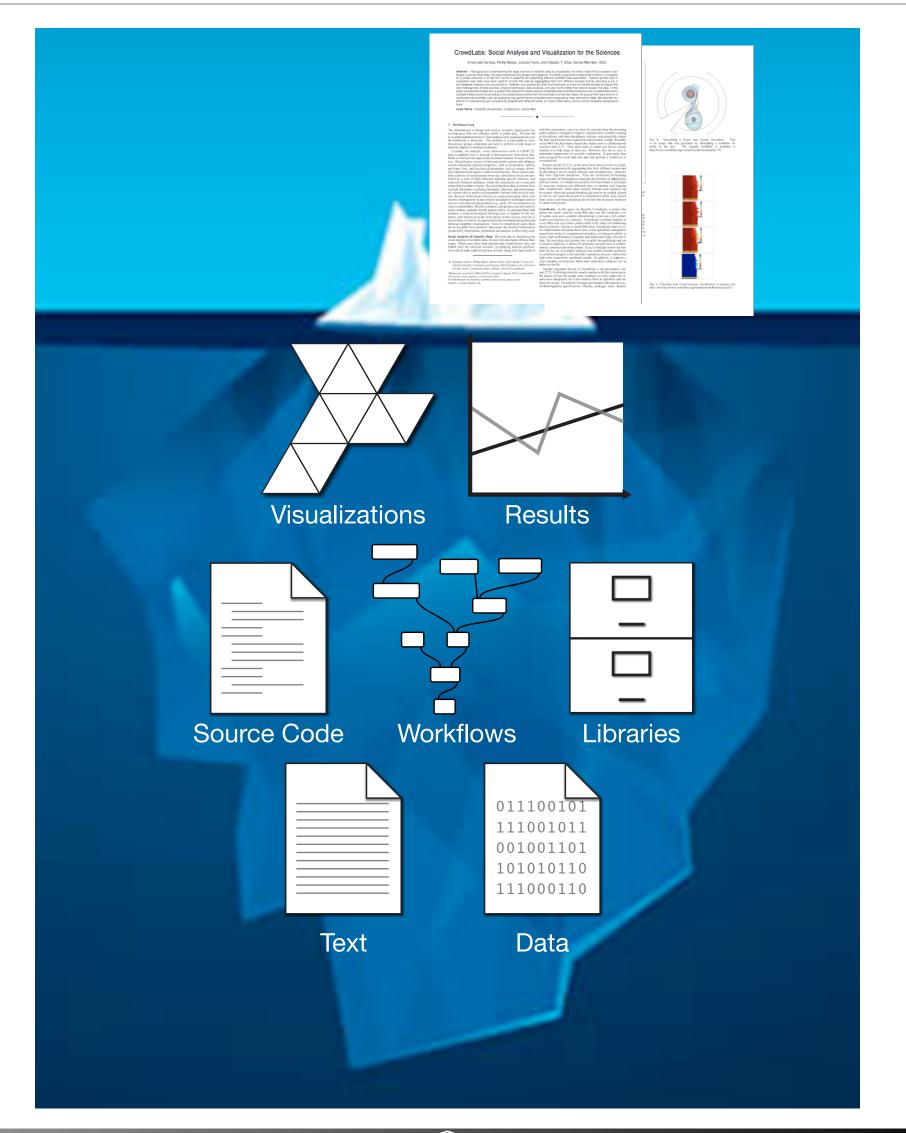
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Published Papers

- "It's impossible to verify most of the results that computational scientists present at conference and in papers." [Donoho et al., 2009]
- "Scientific and mathematical journals are filled with pretty pictures of computational experiments that the reader has no hope of repeating." [LeVeque, 2009]
- "Published documents are merely the advertisement of scholarship whereas the computer programs, input data, parameter values, etc. embody the scholarship itself." [Schwab et al., 2007]

Problem: Incomplete Publications

- A paper cannot include all relevant details of the science
 - Large volumes of data
 - Complex processes
 - Code dependencies
- This makes publishing complete results more difficult!



VISUALIZATION CORNER



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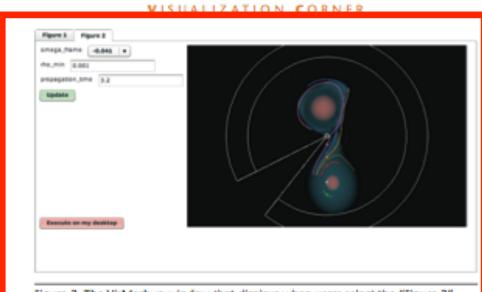


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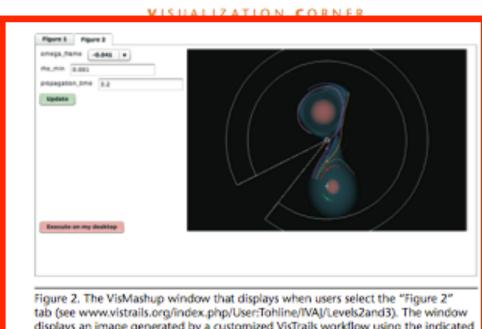
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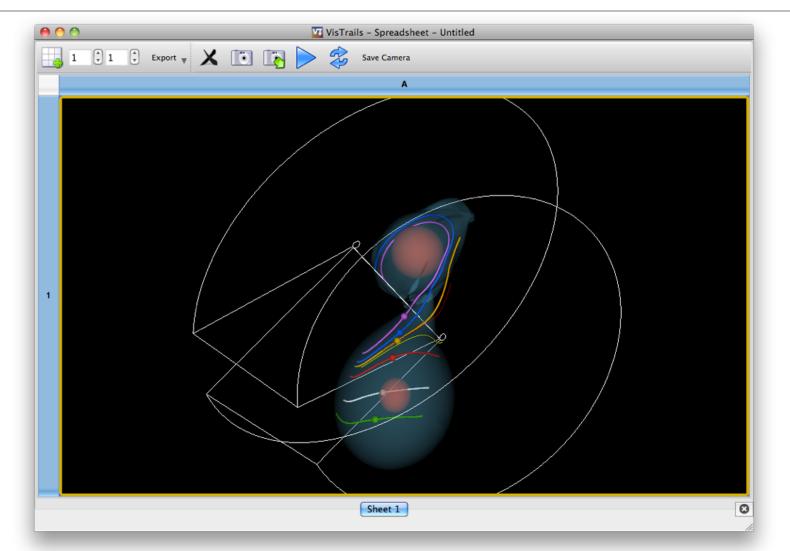
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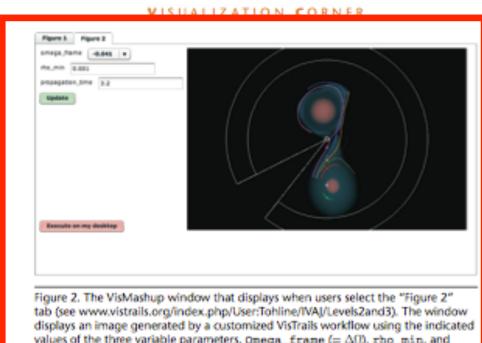
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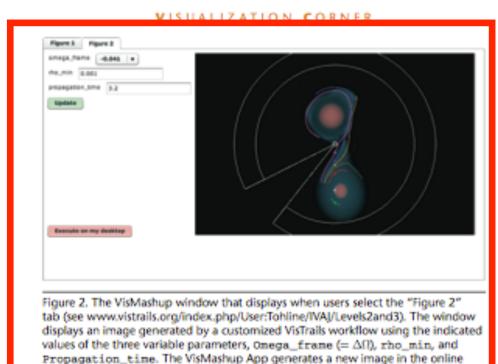
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Challenges

- Re-using results
- Adding results to publications
- Obtaining results, computations, and input from publications
- Publishing interactive experiments
- Searching executable paper collections
- Reviewers: execution environments, checking different parameters
- Longevity/maintenance
- Resource constraints:
 - analyses run on supercomputers
 - large datasets
 - privacy or intellectual property concerns

General Strategies for Reproducibility

- Preserving the Mess:
 - Just save a virtual machine
 - Trace dependencies
- Encouraging Cleanliness:
 - Use a system (e.g. Umbrella, VisTrails)
 - Use literate programming environments
 - Use code and data repositories
 - Use packaging system (ReproZip)

Literate Programming

- Knuth's WEB system
- Mathematica
- Code this is well-documented using comments
- Jupyter Notebooks

Data and Code Availability

- Code Repositories:
 - GitHub
 - GitLab
 - ...
- Data Repositories:
 - figshare, freebase, dryad, DataONE
 - Also many domain-specific repositories
 - http://oad.simmons.edu/oadwiki/Data_repositories

10 Rules for Reproducible Computational Research

- Rule 1: For Every Result, Keep Track of How It Was Produced
- Rule 2: Avoid Manual Data Manipulation Steps
- Rule 3: Archive the Exact Versions of All External Programs Used
- Rule 4: Version Control All Custom Scripts
- Rule 5: Record All Intermediate Results, When Possible in Standardized Formats

10 Rules for Reproducible Computational Research

- Rule 6: For Analyses That Include Randomness, Note Underlying Random Seeds
- Rule 7: Always Store Raw Data behind Plots
- Rule 8: Generate Hierarchical Analysis Output, Allowing Layers of Increasing Detail to Be Inspected
- Rule 9: Connect Textual Statements to Underlying Results
- Rule 10: Provide Public Access to Scripts, Runs, and Results

Rules or Benefits?

- Laws to make sure people don't cheat or lie or steal
- Is that a good incentive? You won't be mislabeled as a criminal?
- Benefits of Reproducibility
 - Reproducible programs can be compared
 - Reproducible software and results are documented
 - Reproducible software is portable
 - Reproducible experiments are cited

[J. Freire et al.]

Reproducible Experiments Classification

- Depth: how much is available?
 - figures
 - scripts
 - raw data
 - experiments
 - software system
- Portability: what machine specs are necessary?
 - same machine
 - similar machine
 - different OS
- Coverage: how much can be reproduced?

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(Database) Research Topics

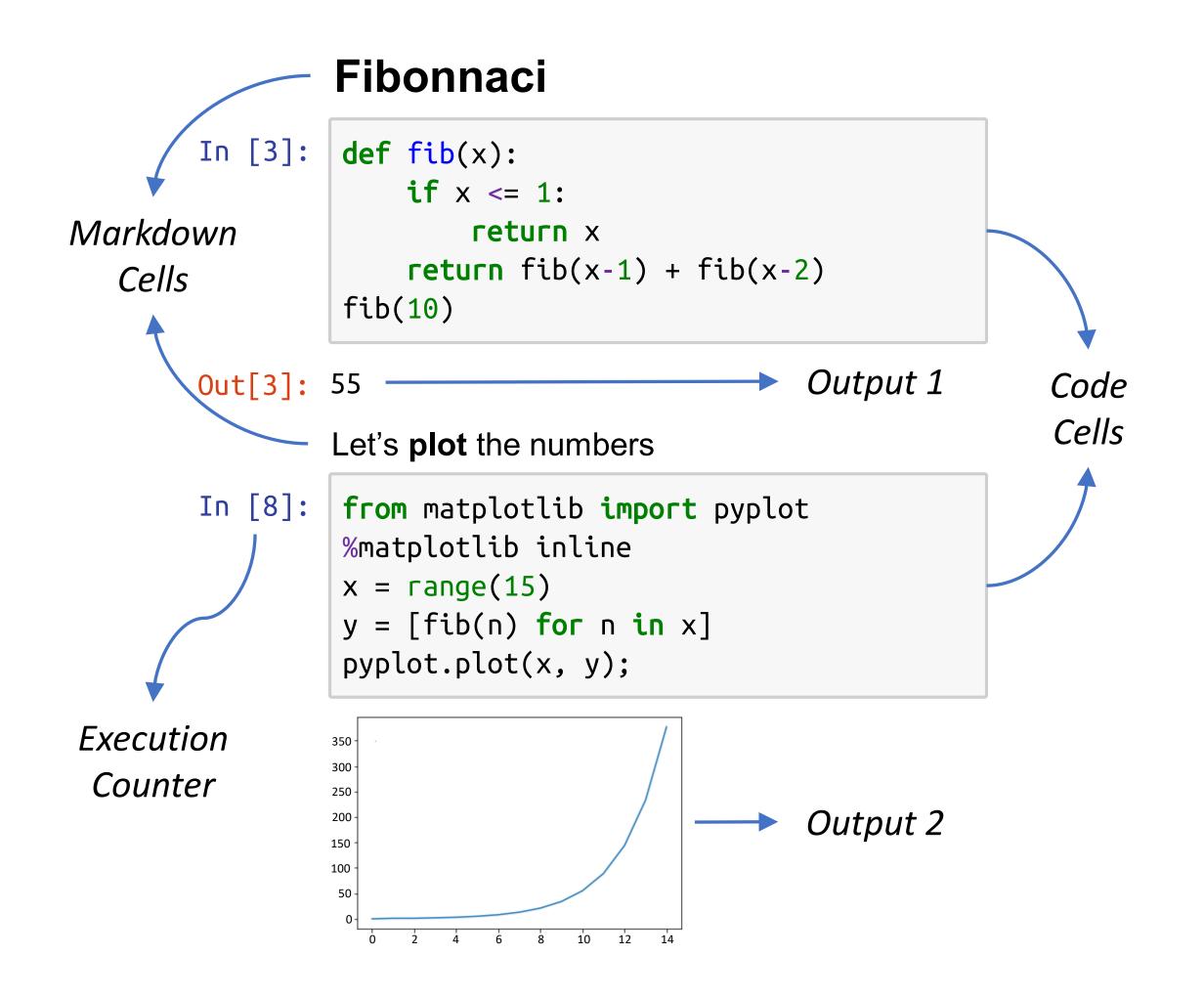
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- Mining Experiments

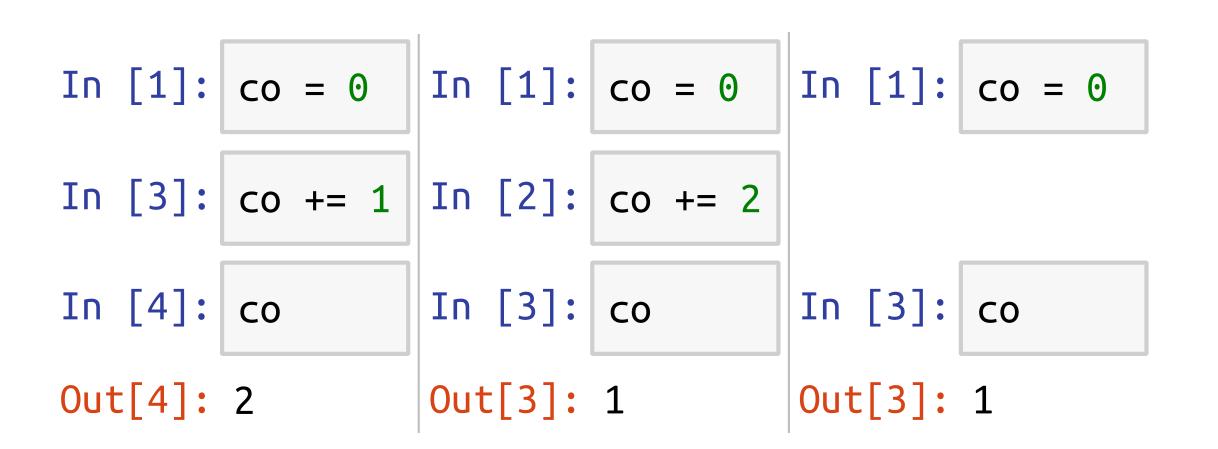
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A Large-scale Study about Quality and Reproducibility of Jupyter Notebooks

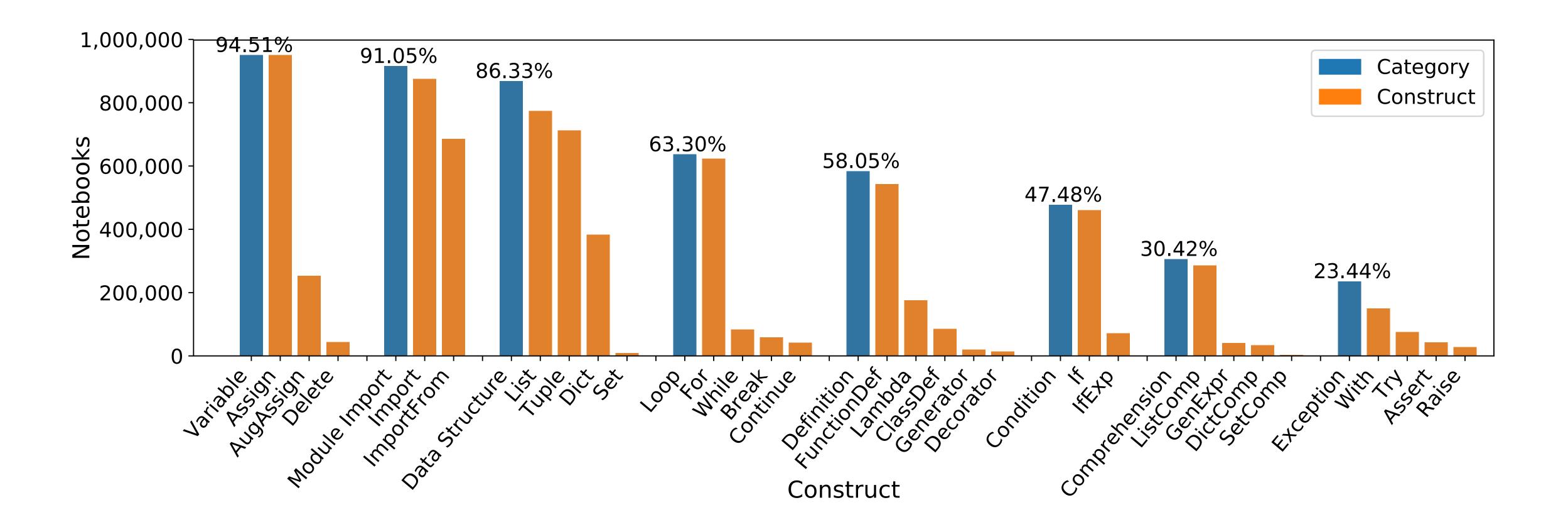
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Notebooks and Hidden State





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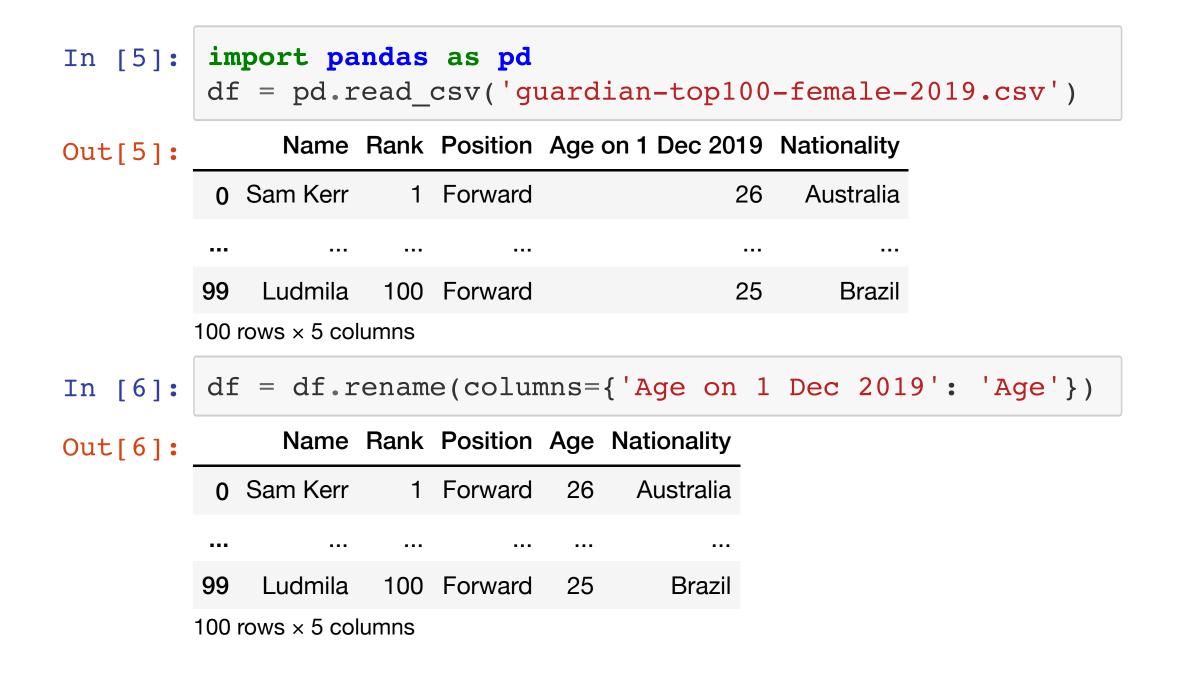
Notebook Reproducibility

- Use notebooks from Github (~1 million)
 - Unambiguous cell order? 81.99%
- Study notebook dependencies
 - Dependencies Available? 13.72%
 - Dependencies Install? 5.03%
- Study notebook executability
 - Execute: 24.11% of unambiguous cell order
 - Matched results: 4.03%

Best Practices

- Use short titles with a restrict charset (A-Z a-z 0-9 . -) for notebook files and markdown headings for more detailed ones in the body
- Pay attention to the bottom of the notebook. Check whether it can benefit from descriptive markdown cells or can have code cells executed or removed
- Abstract code into functions, classes, and modules and test them
- Declare the dependencies in requirement files & pin versions of all packages
- Use a clean environment to test if dependencies are properly declared
- Put imports at the beginning of notebooks
- Use relative paths for accessing data in the repository
- Re-run notebooks top to bottom before committing

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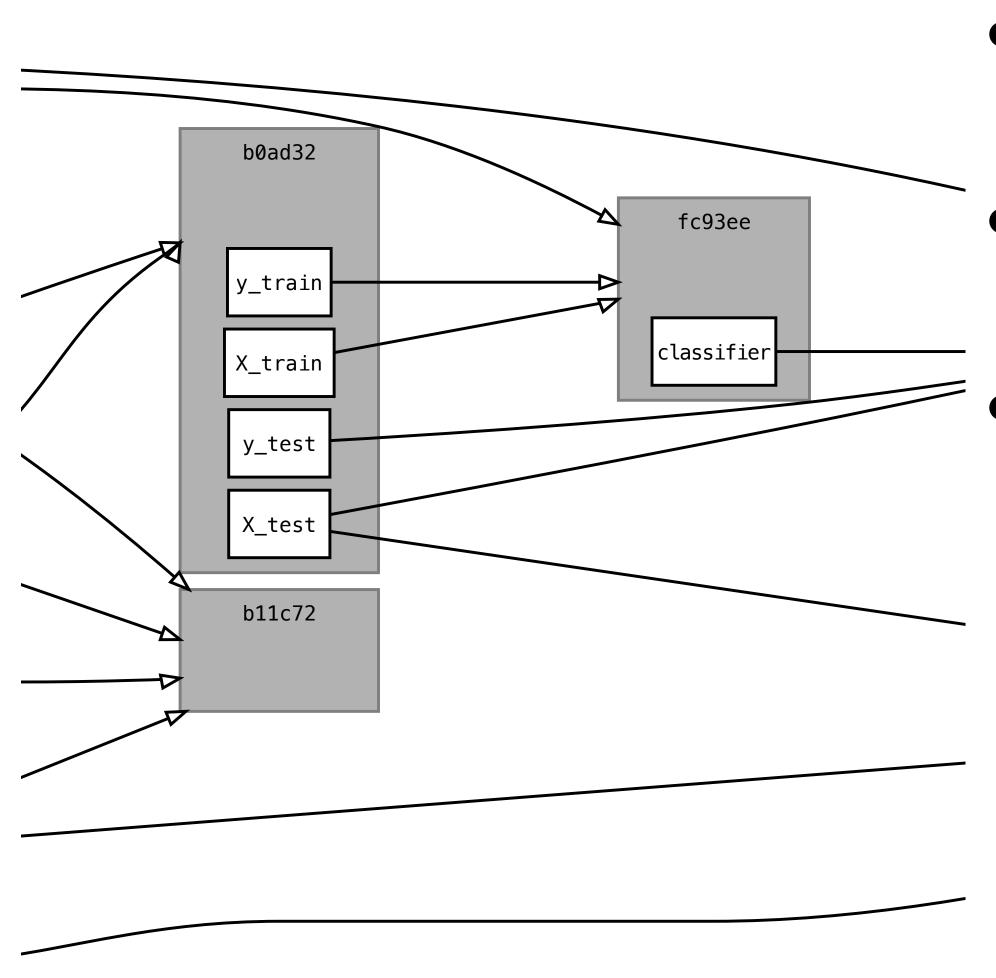




Dataflow Notebooks: Resolve Notebook Ambiguities



Dataflow Notebooks: Dependency Graph



- Shows connections between cells
- Can see which cells would be affected by a change
- Same colors indicate which parts of the graph are stale
- Linked to the notebook
 - Hover to show a cell's code
 - Can also execute in the graph