Astronomy as l"See" It

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Astronomical Medicine

3D PDF (& Touch & Taste)

(a.k.a."coming to our senses")

WorldWide Telescope

"Seamless Astronomy"

and someday...Generalized Interoperable Viz Tools





The most incomprehensible

"Astronomy as I See It"



- Albert Einstein

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The most incomprehensible thing about the universe is that it is comprehensible.

- Albert Einstein

Relative Strengths



"Interocularity"

(see work of John Tukey

"Image and Meaning"

(see work of Felice Frankel, and imageandmeaning.org)

Data • Dimensions • Display (DDD)

What about DDD... ...is easier now than before? fast computation, animation, 3D

...was easier before than now? craftsmanship

...should be easier in the future? modular craftsmanship

Are we held back by confining tools?





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On the third, at the seventh hour, the stars were arranged in this quence. The eastern one was 1 minute, 30 seconds from Jupiter 2 closest western one 2 minutes; and the other western one wa

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On the fourth, at the second hour, there were four stars aroun upiter, two to the east and two to the west, and arranged precise

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on a straight line, as in the adjoining figure. The easternmost wa listant 3 minutes from the next one, while this one was 40 second rom Jupiter; Jupiter was 4 minutes from the nearest western one. d this one 6 minutes from the westernmost one. Their magnitude, ere nearly equal; the one closest to Jupiter appeared a little smaller ian the rest. But at the seventh hour the eastern stars were only o seconds apart. Jupiter was 2 minutes from the nearer eastern

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one, while he was 4 minutes from the next western one, and this one was 3 minutes from the westernmost one. They were all equal and extended on the same straight line along the ecliptic.

On the fifth, the sky was cloudy.

East

East

On the sixth, only two stars appeared flanking Jupiter, as is seen

West

in the adjoining figure. The eastern one was 2 minutes and the vestern one 3 minutes from Jupiter. They were on the same straight line with Jupiter and equal in magnitude.

On the seventh, two stars stood near Jupiter, both to the east

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How could Galileo study Jupiter and its moons now?



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Now, let's imagine Galileo wanted to study how Jupiter and its moons formed...

Star (and Planet, and Moon) Formation 101



Astronomical Medicine

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The Astronomical Medicine Story



The "DDD" issue Mike saw in his mind... "Astronomical Medicine"



"z" is depth into head

"z" is line-of-sight velocity

(This kind of "series of 2D slices view" is known in the Viz as "the grand tour")

Data • Dimensions • Display



...and the science is in the interpretation of these measurements into physical quantities <u>& processes</u>.



Image of NGC1333

What can we observe? \vec{x} I(Intensity Spatial Position (x, y)

X-Ray of Human Skull, c. 1920

What can we observe?





What can we observe?



Optical (B,V,R) image of NGC1333





Thermal Infrared

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What can we observe?





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The COordinated Molecular Probe Line Extinction Thermal Emission Survey of Star Forming Regions

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Project Description

The COordinated Molecular Probe Line Extinction Thermal Emission Survey of Star Forming Regions (COMPLETE) provides a range of data complementary to the Spitzer Legacy Program <u>"From Molecular Cores to Planet Forming Disks</u>" (c2d) for the Perseus, Ophiuchus and Serpens regions. In combination with the Spitzer observations, COMPLETE will allow for detailed analysis and understanding of the physics of star formation on scales from 500 A.U. to 10 pc.

Phase I, which is now complete, provides fully sampled, arcminute resolution observations of the density and velocity structure of the three regions, comprising: extinction maps derived from the Two Micron All Sky Survey (2MASS) near-infrared data using the NICER algorithm; extinction and temperature maps derived from IRAS 60 and 100um emission; HI maps of atomic gas; 12CO and 13CO maps of molecular gas; and submillimeter continuum images of emission from dust in dense cores.

Click on the "Data" button to the left to access this data.

Phase II (which is still ongoing) uses targeted source lists based on the Phase I data, as it is (still) not feasible to cover every dense star-forming peak at high resolution. Phase II includes high-sensitivity near-IR imaging (for high resolution extinction mapping), mm-continuum imaging with MAMBO on IRAM and high-resolution observations of dense gas tracers such as N2H+. These data are being released as they are validated.

COMPLETE Movies: Check-out our <u>movies</u> page for animations of the COMPLETE data cubes in 3D.

Referencing Data from the COMPLETE Survey

COMPLETE data are non-proprietary. Please reference **Ridge**, **N.A. et al.**, "The **COMPLETE Survey of Star Forming Regions: Phase 1 Data**", **2006**, **AJ**, **131**, **2921** as the data source. However, we would like to keep a record of work that is using COMPLETE data, so please send us an <u>email</u> (with a reference if possible) if you make use of any data provided here.

Recent COMPLETE Publications

NEW Rahul Shetty, Jens Kauffmann, Scott Schnee, Alyssa A. Goodman, Barbara Ercolano The Effect of Line of Sight Temperature Variation and Noise on Dust Continuum Observations, Accepted to ApJ. (Local | astro-ph)

NEW Rahul Shetty, Jens Kauffmann, Scott Schnee, Alyssa A. Goodman, *The Effect of Noise on the Dust Temperature - Spectral Index Correlation*, Accepted to ApJ. (Local | astro-ph)

NEW Jonathan B. Foster, E.R. Rosolowsky, J. Kauffman, J.E. Pineda, M.A. Borkin, P. Caselli, P.C. Myers, A.A. Goodman, *Dense Cores in Perseus: The Influence of Stellar Content and Cluster Environment*, Accepted to ApJ. (Local | astro-ph)

NEW A.A. Goodman, E.W. Rosolowsky, M.A. Borkin, J.B. Foster, M. Halle, J. Kauffmann & J.E. Pineda, 2009, *A role for self-gravity at multiple length scales in the process of star formation*, Nature, 2009, 457, 63-66

Our current interest in $I(E, s, \vec{x}, t)$



COMPLETE Perseus

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mm peak (Enoch et al. 2006)

sub-mm peak (Hatchell et al. 2005, Kirk et al. 2006)

¹³CO (Ridge et al. 2006)

mid-IR IRAC composite from c2d data (Foster, Laakso, Ridge, et al. in prep.)

Optical image (Barnard 1927)

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3D Viz made with VolView

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Some of What We've Learned...



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into a medical imaging program that has been adapted for astronomical

Self-gravity plays a decisive role in the final stages of star forma-tion, where dense cores (size ~0.1 parsecs) inside molecular clouds collapse to form star-plus-disk systems¹. But self-gravity's role at earlier times (and on larger length scales, such as ~1 parsec) is unclear; some molecular cloud simulations that do not include self-gravity suggest that 'turbulent fragmentation' alone is sufficient to create a mass distribution of dense cores that resembles, and sets, the stellar initial mass function³. Here we report a 'den-drogram' (hierarchical tree-diagram) analysis that reveals that self-gravity plays a significant role over the full range of possible scales traced by ¹³CO observations in the L1448 molecular cloud, but not everywhere in the observed region. In particular, more than 90 per cent of the compact 'pre-stellar cores' traced by peaks

turned into a small, usually 'pathological', feature needed to encom-pass all the emission being modelled. When applied to molecular-line



Gravity Matters (Goodman et al. 2009)

Shells Rule (Arce et al. 2009)

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Physics: "Taste-Testing" Data & Simulations



Simulations of Bate 2009

Social Tasting of $I(E, s, \vec{x}, t)$





Welcome to the Tasting Room



This is the collaborative space for those who do simulations of star forming regions, and those who observe them. It was inspired, in the Fall of 2006, by the NSF proposal entitled "Star Formation Taste Tests," by A. Goodman & E. Rosolowsky. Today, it is used to host conversations about and short descriptions of simulatons, along with links to longer descriptions (e.g. Journal articles & web sites). In the future, we are planning to connect more enhanced descriptions of those simulations directly to online code bases and sample outputs, via the new <u>CADAC</u> site. So, stay tuned.

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A sample of what we've learned, and shared (3D PDF)

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Figure 2 | Comparison of the 'dendrogram' and 'CLUMPFIND' feature identification algorithms as applied to ¹³CO emission from the L1448 region of Perseus, a. 3D visualization of the surfaces indicated by colours in the dendrogram shown in c. Purple illustrates the smallest scale selfgravitating structures in the region corresponding to the leaves of the dendrogram; pink shows the smallest surfaces that contain distinct selfgravitating leaves within them; and green corresponds to the surface in the data cube containing all the significant emission. Dendrogram branches corresponding to self-gravitating objects have been highlighted in yellow over the range of $T_{\rm mb}$ (main-beam temperature) test-level values for which the virial parameter is less than 2. The x-v locations of the four 'selfcleaves labelled with billiard balls are the same as those shown in Fig. 1. The 3D visualizations show position-position-velocity (p-p-y) space. RA, right ascension; dec., declination. For comparison with the ability of dendrograms (c) to track hierarchical structure, d shows a pseudodendrogram of the CLUMPFIND segmentation (b), with the same four labels used in Fig. 1 and in a. As 'clumps' are not allowed to belong to larger structures, each pseudo-branch in d is simply a series of lines connecting the maximum emission value in each clump to the threshold value. A very large number of clumps appears in b because of the sensitivity of CLUMPFIND to noise and small-scale structure in the data. In the online PDF version, the 3D cubes (a and b) can be rotated to any orientation, and surfaces can be turned on and off (interaction requires Adobe Acrobat version 7.0.8 or higher). In the printed version, the front face of each 3D cube (the 'home' view in the nteractive online version) corresponds exactly to the patch of sky shown in Fig. 1, and velocity with respect to the Local Standard of Rest increases from front (-0.5 km s^{-1}) to back (8 km s^{-1}) .

data, CLUMPFIND typically finds features on a limited range of scales, above but close to the physical resolution of the data, and its results can be overly dependent on input parameters. By tuning CLUMPFIND's two free parameters, the same molecular-line data set[®] can be used to show either that the frequency distribution of clump mass is the same as the initial mass function of stars or that it follows the much shallower mass function associated with large-scale molecular clouds (Supplementary Fig. 1).

Four years before the advent of CLUMPFIND, 'structure trees'⁹ were proposed as a way to characterize clouds' hierarchical structure

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using 2D maps of column density. With this early 2D work as inspiration, we have developed a structure-identification algorithm that abstracts the hierarchical structure of a 3D $(p-p-\nu)$ data cube into an easily visualized representation called a 'dendrogram'¹⁰. Although well developed in other data-intensive fields^{11,12}, it is curious that the application of tree methodologies so far in astrophysics has been rare, and almost exclusively within the area of galaxy evolution, where 'merger trees' are being used with increasing frequency¹³.

Figure 3 and its legend explain the construction of dendrograms schematically. The dendrogram quantifies how and where local maxima of emission merge with each other, and its implementation is explained in Supplementary Methods. Critically, the dendrogram is determined almost entirely by the data itself, and it has negligible sensitivity to algorithm parameters. To make graphical presentation possible on paper and 2D screens, we 'flatten' the dendrograms of 3D data (see Fig. 3 and its legend), by sorting their 'branches' to not cross, which eliminates dimensional information on the *x* axis while preserving all information about connectivity and hierarchy. Numbered 'billiard ball' labels in the figures let the reader match features between a 2D map (Fig. 1), an interactive 3D map (Fig. 2a online) and a sorted dendrogram (Fig. 2c).

A dendrogram of a spectral-line data cube allows for the estimation of key physical properties associated with volumes bounded by isosurfaces, such as radius (R), velocity dispersion (σ_{ν}) and luminosity (L). The volumes can have any shape, and in other work14 we focus on the significance of the especially elongated features seen in L1448 (Fig. 2a). The luminosity is an approximate proxy for mass, such that $M_{\text{lum}} = X_{13\text{CO}}L_{13\text{CO}}$, where $X_{13\text{CO}} = 8.0 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ K}^{-1} \text{ km}^{-1} \text{ s}$ (ref. 15; see Supplementary Methods and Supplementary Fig. 2). The derived values for size, mass and velocity dispersion can then be used to estimate the role of self-gravity at each point in the hierarchy, via calculation of an 'observed' virial parameter, $\alpha_{obs} = 5\sigma_v^2 R/GM_{lum}$ In principle, extended portions of the tree (Fig. 2, yellow highlighting) where $\alpha_{obs} < 2$ (where gravitational energy is comparable to or larger than kinetic energy) correspond to regions of p-p-v space where selfgravity is significant. As α_{obs} only represents the ratio of kinetic energy to gravitational energy at one point in time, and does not explicitly capture external over-pressure and/or magnetic fields16, its measured value should only be used as a guide to the longevity (boundedness) of any particular feature



Figure 3 | Schematic illustration of the dendrogram process. Shown is the construction of a dendrogram from a hypothetical one-dimensional emission profile (black). The dendrogram (blue) can be constructed by 'dropping' a test constant emission level (purple) from above in tiny steps (exaggerated in size here, light lines) until all the local maxima and mergers are found, and connected as shown. The intersection of a test level with the emission is a set of points (for example the light purple dots) in one dimensions, a planar curve in two dimensions, and an isosurface in three dimensions. It he dendrogram of 3D data shown in Fig. 2c is the direct analogue of the tree shown here, only constructed from 'isosurface' rather than 'point' intersections. It has been sorted and flattened for representation on a flat page, as fully representing dendrograms for 3D data cubes would require four dimensions.

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Goodman et al. Nature, 2009

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Astronomy as I Touch it?

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The Scientists' Discovery Room (SDR) is a next-generation visual digital laboratory for science discovery, collaborative learning and education. Our research focuses on experimenting with new modalities of human-computer interaction and visualization, to create a new genre of navigation, exploration and detailed analyses in multidimensional information spaces. All projects in SDR are in close collaboration with domain scientists and educators.

INVOLV is a generalizable multi-user interactive visualization framework for large hierarchical data sets. In this project, we address the visual layout of both the primary data representation and the overlay of alternate structures of the same data. Our first case study is the visualization of life on earth based on the Encyclopedia of Life (www.eol.org)

and Tree of Life (<u>www.tolweb.org</u>). The user interface provides free-form exploration of more than 1.2 million named species while communicating issues of biodiversity and phylogeny. The current visualization combines a Voronoi Treemap tessellation with innovative human-computer interaction designs to support collaborative exploration and learning. Please visit <u>www.involvweb.org</u> for more information on this project.

tive in Innovative Computing at Harvard

CThru, a collaborative endeavor with Molecular and Cellular Biology faculty, aims to develop a selfguided learning environment. In CThru, we examine methods for constructing interactive video-based educational modules. Using the animation "The Inner Life of the Cell" as a testbed, CThru addresses research issues of embedding interactive visible objects, extensive multimedia information and manipulatable 3D models within a video flow, replacing sequential video viewing with the experience of exploring and manipulating in a multi-dimentional information space.

WeSpace is a collaborative work space that integrates a large data wall with a multi-user multi-touch table. WeSpace has been developed for a population of scientists who frequently meet in small groups for data exploration and visualization. It provides a low overhead walk-up and share environment for users with their own personal applications and laptops.

LivOlay is an interactive image overlay tool that enables the rapid visual overlay of live data rendered in different applications. Our tool addresses datasets in which visual registration of the information is necessary in order to allow for thorough understanding and visual analysis.

Slideshow: Tabletop Computers Continued

By Meredith Ringel Morris

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UBITABLE: Users can interact with surface computers through auxiliary devices, such as laptops, phones, and PDAs. The display on the auxiliary device can convey private or sensitive content to a single user, while group-appropriate content can appear on the tabletop display. Chia Shen and her colleagues at Mitsubishi Electric Research Laboratories, in Cambridge, Mass., have explored auxiliary interactions with surface computers in their UbiTable project, in which two people with laptops collaborate over a tabletop display. Recently, Shen expanded the UbiTable into an interactive room called the WeSpace. People can share data on their laptops with other people in the room, using both a table and a large display wall. Here, three Harvard University astrophysicists discuss radio and IR spectrum images using the WeSpace.

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The Scientists' Discovery Room (Shen & Pfister)





movie courtesy Daniel Wigdor, equipment now in Chia Shen's SDR lab at SEAS

The Big Picture: Seamless Astronomy ...and the future of DDD

Seamless Astronomy

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Today, "Virtual Observatory" should really just mean "Facilitated Online Astronomy Research"

Seamless Astronomy includes a collaboration amongst researchers from CfA/WWT (Goodman, Muench) MSR/WWT (Wong), RPI (Hendler, McGuinness), STScI (Conti, Christian), ADS (Accomazzi, Kurtz), Chandra (Bressert, Rots, Burke) and UCLA (Borgman)

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"Ontology"

"GIS/Layering"



What's needed?





...requires: "Selection"; "Registration"; "Readable Labels"; "Highlighting"; & "Measurement" in order to yield: "Inference": ...Wow, that's about 600 feet, hope we can change the room!

"Inference": ... Oh, that building with the funky paths outside is the Hyatt... what if I...

What's possible now?

"Progressive Resolve"
"Zoom"
"Search"
"Selection"
"GIS/Layering"
"Registration"

"Side-by-Side Comparison" "Readable Labels" "Highlighting" "Custom Site" "Inference" "Off-the-Desktop"

"Ontology"

"Measurement"

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To go really "seamless"...

"Progressive Resolve"

"Zoom"

"Search"

"Selection"

"GIS/Layering"

"Registration"

"Side-by-Side Comparison" "Readable Labels" "Highlighting" "Custom Site" "Inference" "Off-the-Desktop"

"Ontology"

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"Ontology" "Measurement"

Seamless Astronomy: "Configure This"

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"Modular Craftsmanship"

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Prototype "Faceted" Browsing (using very lightweight "Ontology")

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courtesy Douglas Burke, CfA/IIC

systems may not be gravitationally bound to the observed galaxies, but may be part of larger

extended systems. We also find a significant number of galaxies near the line-of-sight to the

We need to catch up to this & go beyond...

= Opportunity to Generalize...

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...from, e.g. "Semantic" Life Science Success (e.g. work of Clark, Das et al.)

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Seamless AstroLife?

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What about DDD... ...is easier now than before? fast computation, animation, 3D

...was easier before than now? craftsmanship

...should be easier in the future? modular craftsmanship

I think we can aim for general, interoperable, (viz) tools with a "modular craftsmanship" approach.

....was easier before than now? KIVA craftsmanship

...should be easier in the future?

modular craftsmanship

Astronomy as I See, Touch, Taste, and Hear It

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