

GPU Computing and General Purpose Computation on GPUs

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Evolution of GPUs



1995

NV1

1 Million
Transistors



1999

GeForce 256

22 Million
Transistors



2002

GeForce 4

63 Million
Transistors



2003

GeForce FX

130 Million
Transistors



2004

GeForce 6

222 Million
Transistors



2005

GeForce 7

302 Million
Transistors



2006

GeForce 8

754 Million
Transistors



2008

GeForce GTX 200

1.4 Billion
Transistors



2010

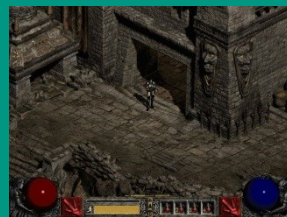
GeForce GTX 400

3 Billion
Transistors



1995

(Command & Conquer)



2000

(Diablo II)



2004

(Far Cry)



2006

(Gears of War)



2011

(Crysis 2)

Data and the images courtesy of David Luebke: <http://s08.idav.ucdavis.edu/luebke-nvidia-gpu-architecture.pdf>

Evolution of GPUs

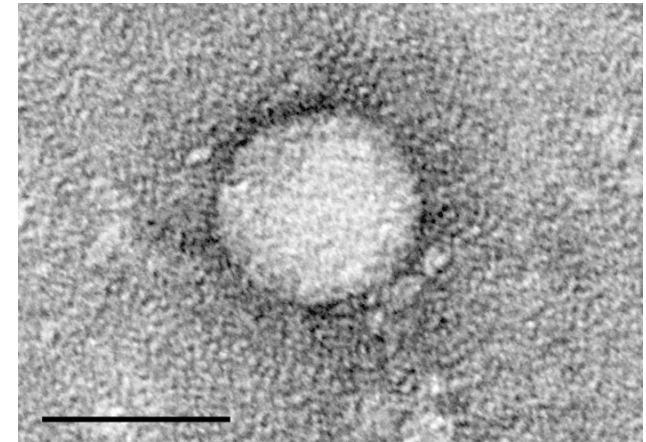
- Stunning evolution of entertainment graphics...



- ...but GPUs can be used for **far more** than „just“ graphics.

GPU Computing: Example #1

Mutation modeling of the Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)



- HCV
 - Major cause of liver diseases worldwide.
 - Difficult to study viral functions and drug resistance.
 - BUT: the mutation follows specific rules that can be modeled

- Implementation on the GPU: JACKET, MATLAB®

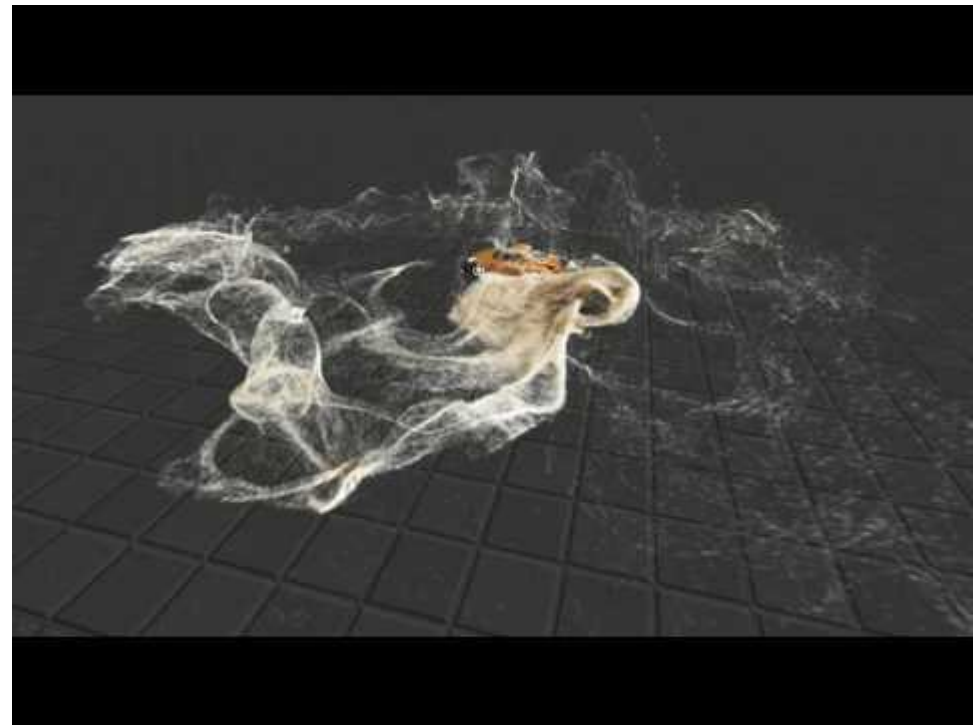
	Days	Hours	X speed up	HW cost	X \$ spent	Relative P-P
Workstation-CPU Only	39	936		\$2,000		
Workstation-CPU & GPU		22.5	41.6	\$5,000	2.50	1664.00%
Compute Cluster		5	187.2	\$250,000	125	149.76%

More about this project at http://www.accelereyes.com/examples/virus_detection_hepatitis_c

GPU Computing: Example #2

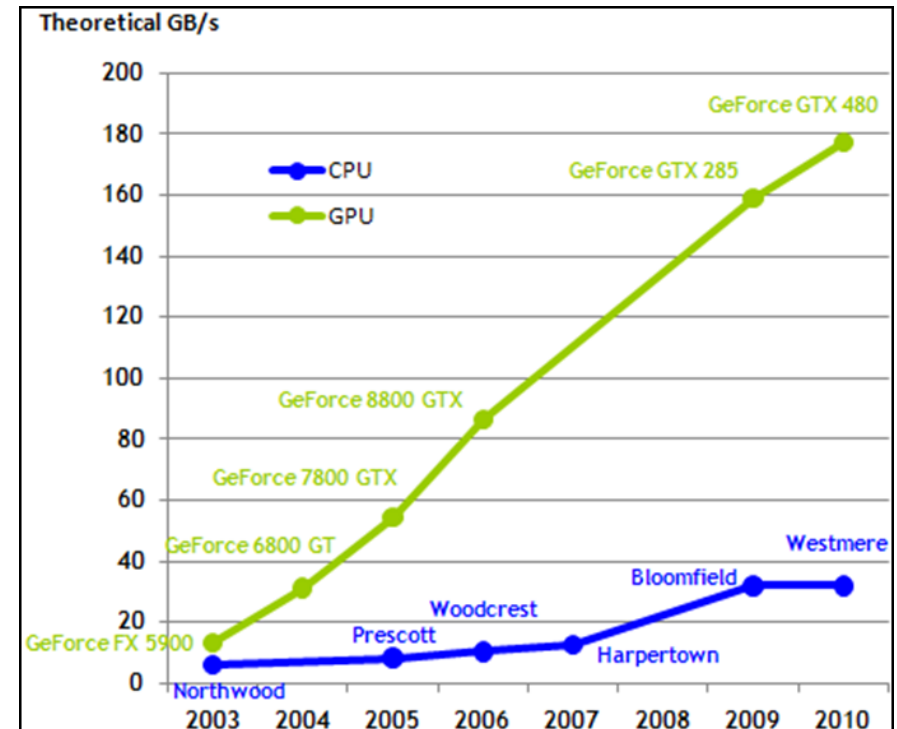
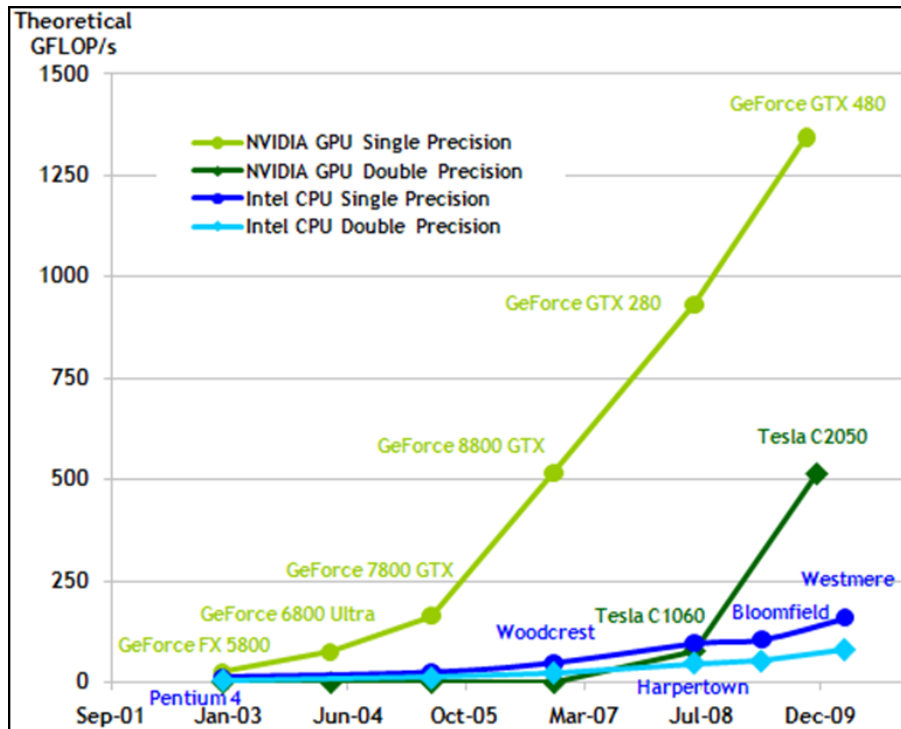
Real Time 3D Fluid and Particle Simulation and Rendering

- 3D fluid solver in CUDA
- CPU → GPU speedup: 40x



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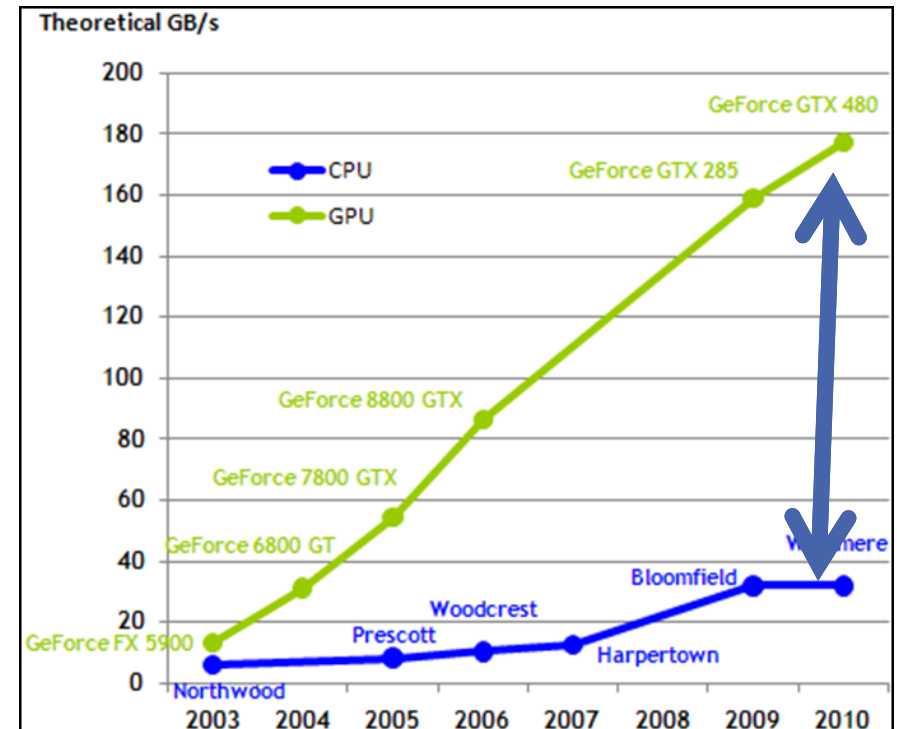
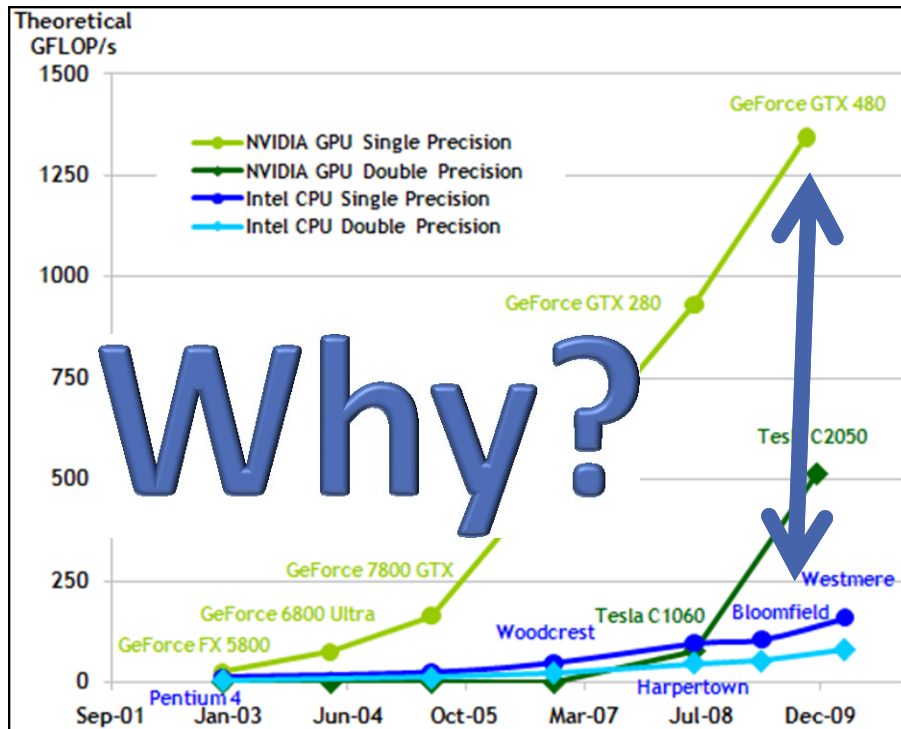
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GPU Computing

■ Evolution of parallel computing architectures

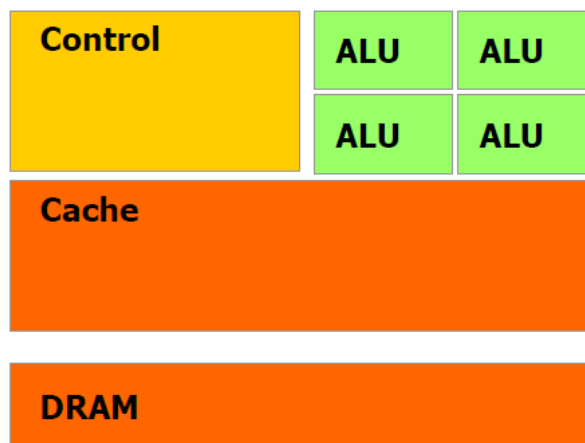


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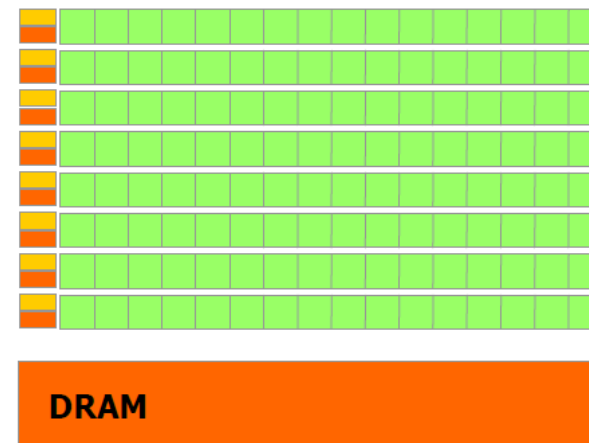
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GPU Architecture

- Task Parallelism vs. Data Parallelism
- Modern GPUs: highly data parallel suitable, compute-intensive problems



CPU



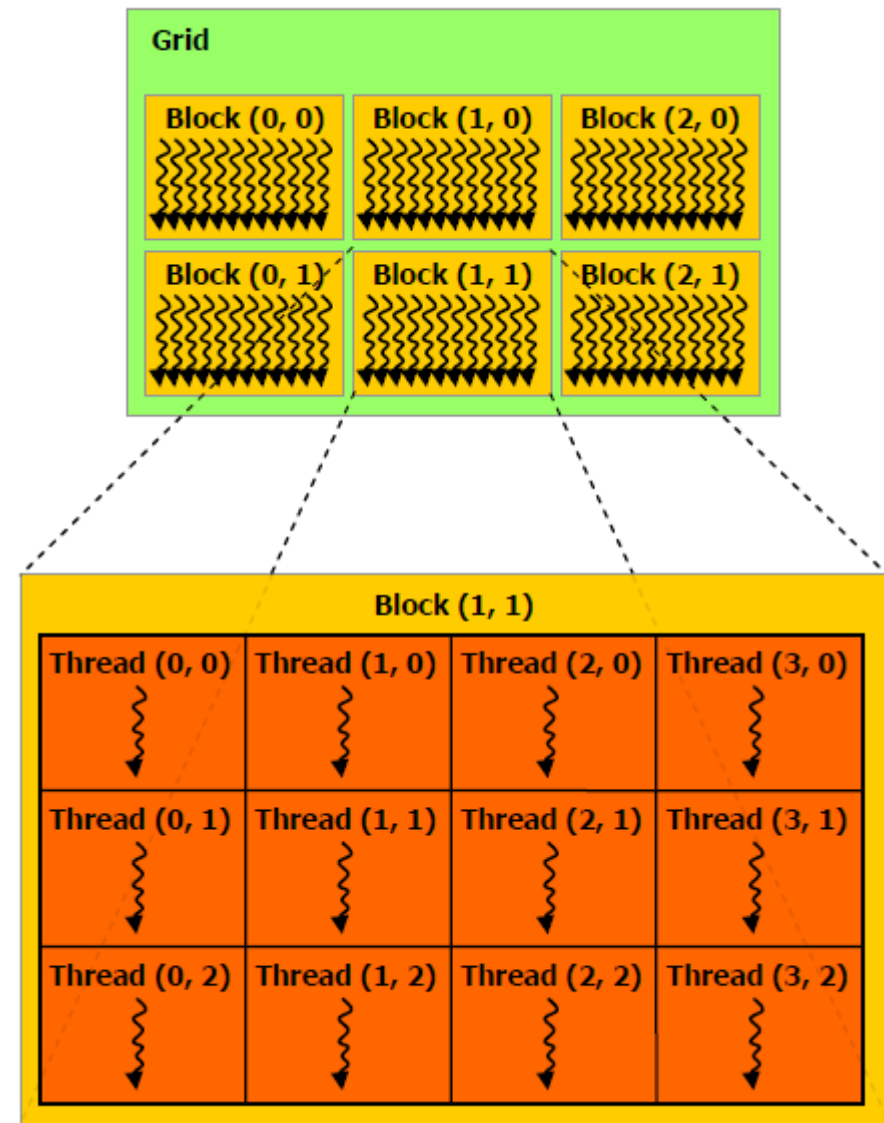
GPU

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GPU Architecture

■ Hardware Multithreading

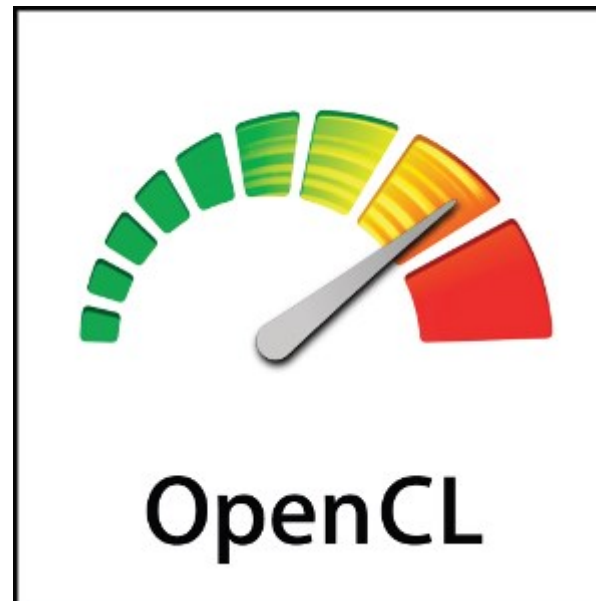
- Many-core architecture
- Thousands of lightweight threads
- In-order execution, cheap flow control
- Latency is hidden by the raw number of threads.



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OpenCL

- Open Computing Language
 - cross-platform standard for computing on heterogeneous platforms
 - maintained by Khronos Group (OpenGL, OpenAL)
 - introduced at SIGGRAPH 2008



OpenCL SDK

■ From **NVIDIA**:

- <http://developer.nvidia.com>

1. Download the developer driver
2. Download the CUDA toolkit
3. Download the GPU Computing SDK (optional, but worth it)

■ From **ATI**:

- <http://developer.amd.com>

1. Download Accelerated Parallel Processing (APP, formerly ATI Stream)

Read the documentation and additional materials at vendor's websites!

Recommended Literature

- Programming Massively Parallel Processors
A Hands on Approach

David B. Kirk, Wen-mei W. Hwu
Morgan Kaufmann, 2010

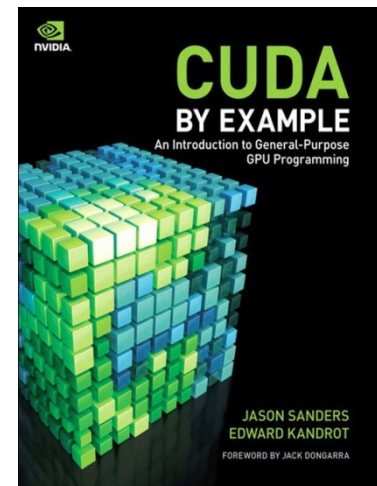
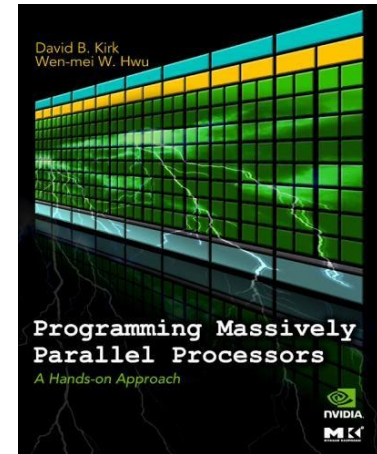
- CUDA by Example: An Introduction to
General-Purpose GPU Programming

Jason Sanders, Edward Kandrot
Morgan Kaufmann, 2010

- The OpenCL Specification

Khronos Group

<http://www.khronos.org/registry/cl/specs/opencl-1.0.29.pdf>



Course Organization

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Course Organization

	GPU Computing	GPGPU
Credits:	■ 4 SWS	■ 2 SWS
Workload:	■ 4 assignments + 1 free-style	■ 4 (reduced) assignments
Requirements:	■ each individual assignment: at least 40% ■ all assignments in total: at least 50% ... otherwise failed!	

Course Organization

	GPU Computing	GPGPU
Points:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 20 points for each assignment 100 in total (50 to pass) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 20 points for each assignment 80 in total (40 to pass)
Evaluation:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Assignments must be submitted to our submission system ■ Assignments must be presented by the author (in person) ■ Presentations will be held in ATIS computer pool Make sure your code compiles and runs there! ■ You can also use your own laptop. 	
Grading:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Graded! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Pass/not pass

Course Organization

Grading:	GPU Computing			GPGPU
	Min Points	Max Points	Grade	
	96	100	1.0	
	91	95	1.3	
	86	90	1.7	
	81	85	2.0	
	76	80	2.3	
	71	75	2.7	
	66	70	3.0	
	61	65	3.3	
	56	60	3.7	
	50	55	4.0	
	0	49	FAIL	



Assignment #1

	GPU Computing	GPGPU
Tasks:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Add two vectors of integers (one in reverse order) ■ (Efficiently) rotate a matrix of numbers 	
Next Meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ATIS computer pool (evaluation) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In two weeks (6.11.) ■ 12:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In two weeks (6.11.) ■ 11:30

Assignment #2 – #5

	GPU Computing	GPGPU
Topics:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ #2: Parallel algorithms (parallel reduction, prefix sum)■ #3: Image filtering (discrete convolution)■ #4: Particle systems, cloth simulation■ #5: Freestyle	

Submitting your solution

- Upload your solutions to the CG Submission
submit.ibds.kit.edu
- Sign up if you do not have an account yet
- In case of troubles, send us an e-mail

Late delivery is penalized!

- deadlines are strict, can be extended only in emergency cases
- -2 points/day after the deadline
- < 8 points for **any** assignment → you fail the course!



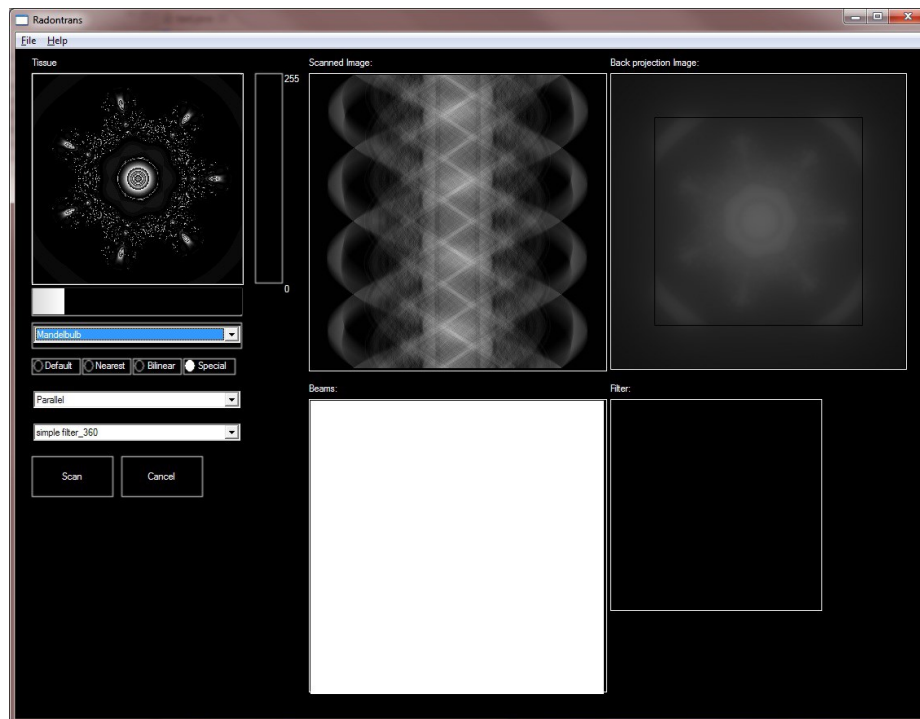
Further Information

- Check website for new assignments (sheet + start-up kit):
 - cg.ibds.kit.edu/lehre/ws2013/
- Assistance and mentoring
 - Feel free to send us e-mails
 - Drop by our offices

Freestyle Examples

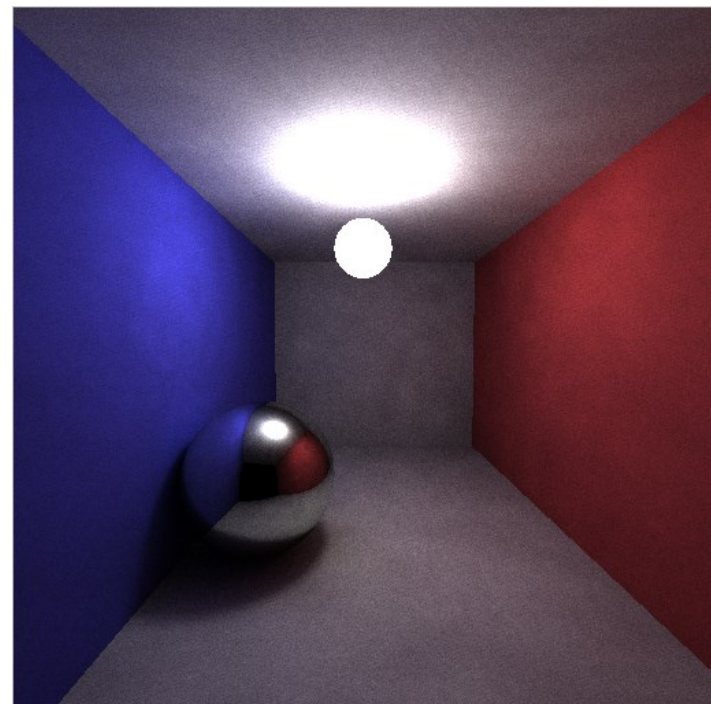
Simulated CT on the GPU

Thorsten Gröninger



Path tracing on the GPU

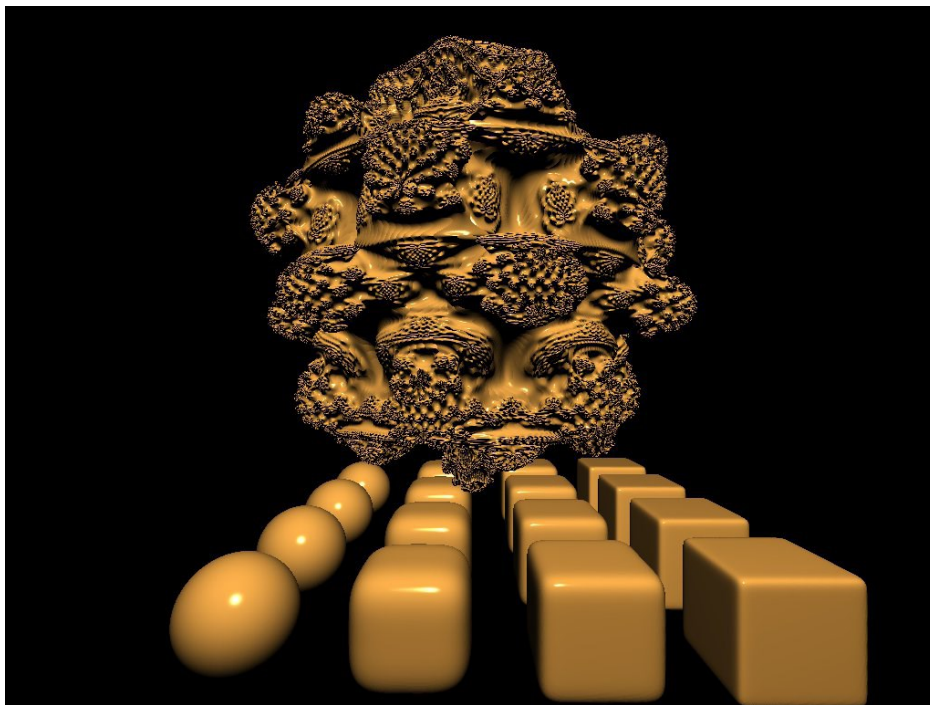
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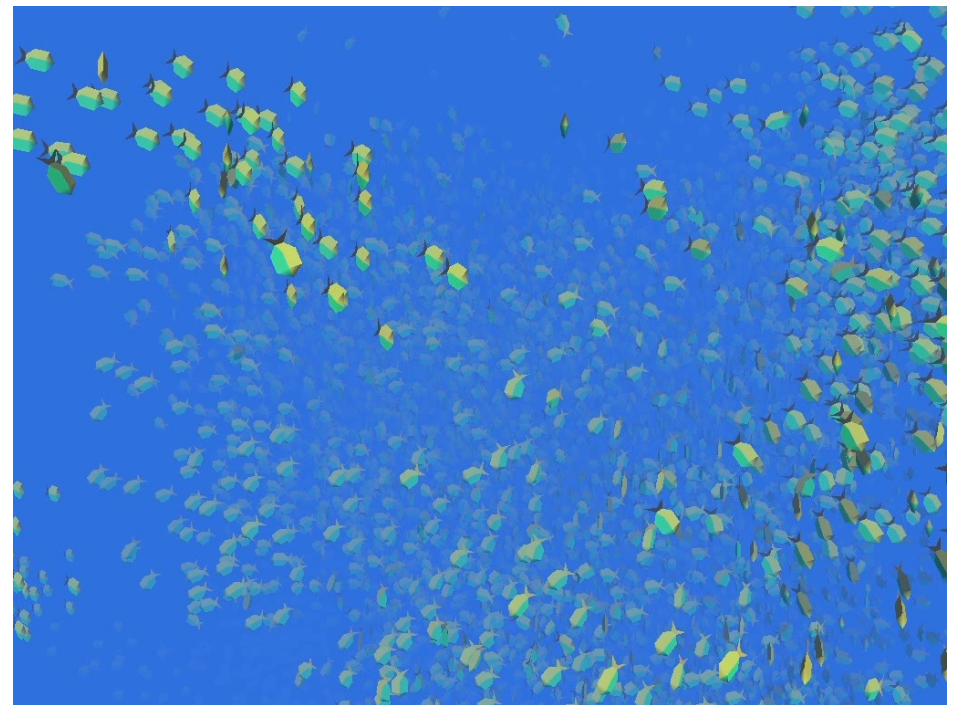
Fractal ray-tracing on the GPU

Manuel Martin



Simulation of fish schools

Alexander Wirth



Questions?