

Computer Graphics

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Outline

- Introduction
- Syllabus
- Coursework
- Miscellaneous



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- 2D image processing
- 3D object representation & manipulation
- Simulating physical processes & materials
- Animating any of the above



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<http://paulbakaus.com/>



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"Incredibles 2" Disney / Pixar



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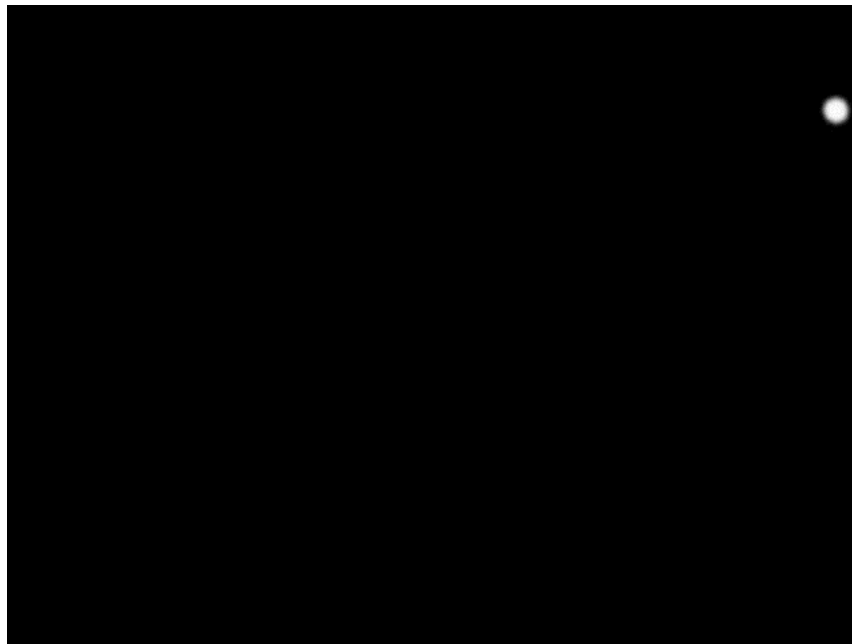
Gringold *et al.* 2004



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 Animating any of the above (4D)



Fallen Art



Introduction: Applications

- Entertainment
- Computer Aided Design
- Scientific Visualization
- Training & Education



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"The Wild Robot"
DreamWorks



"Donkey Kong" Nintendo



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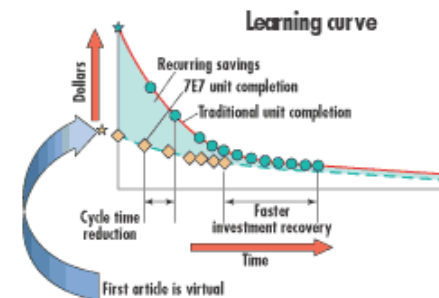
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Computer Aided Design

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Completely virtual model built in 3D:

- Shorten the development period
- Shorten the learning curve

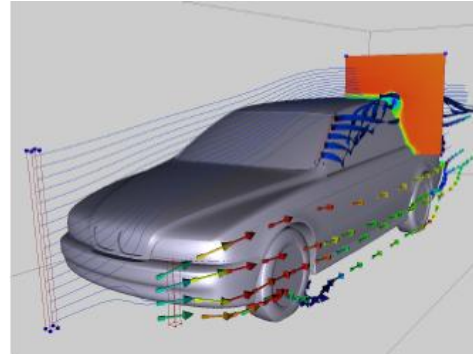


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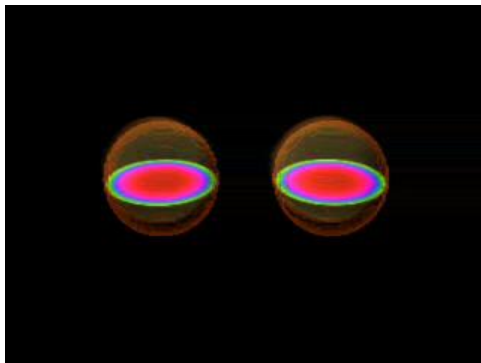


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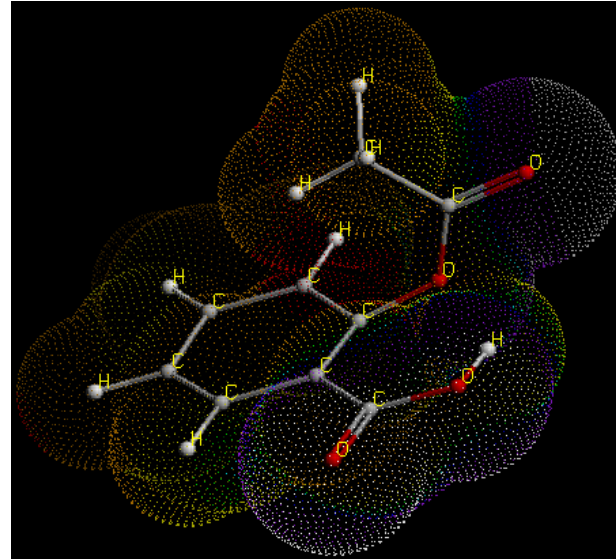
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Flow Visualization
Roettger et al.



Neutron Star Collision
Courtesy of David Bock



Aspirin in RasMol
Courtesy of Michael Friendly



The Visible Human
Courtesy of NLM



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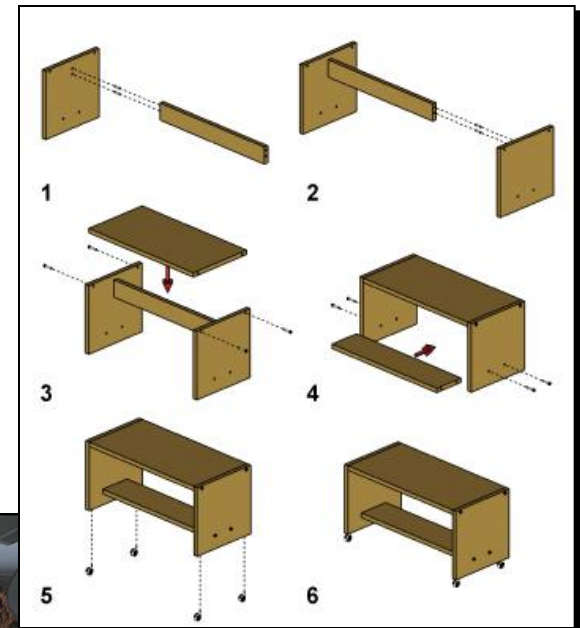


Image courtesy of
Agrawala et al.



Microsoft Flight Simulator

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Syllabus

- Image Processing (2D)
- Ray Tracing (3D)
- Rendering (3D)
- Modeling (3D)
- Animation (4D)

Syllabus



- Image Processing
 - Quantization and Dithering
 - Sampling
 - Filters
 - Warping, Morphing, and Compositing



Syllabus

- (Offline) Ray Tracing
 - Cameras
 - Primitives
 - Lights
 - Spatial Data Structures
 - Reflection, Transparency and Refraction
- (Real-Time) Rendering
 - Coordinate Systems and Modeling Transformations
 - Viewing transformations
 - Shading
 - Textures
 - Visibility
 - OpenGL

Syllabus



- Modeling
 - Triangles
 - Splines
 - Subdivision Surfaces
 - Procedural Models
 - Point Based Models
- Animation
 - Key-Framing
 - Kinematics
 - Dynamics

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- NB: Lots of work!
- Exams (30%)
- Programming assignments (60%)
- Class participation (10%)
- Labs (Required)



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 - Two exams
 - Absolutely no excuses will be accepted for missing the exams. Not taking the exam at the scheduled time = 0!
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Coursework

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Programming assignments (60%)

- Image Processing (15%)
- Ray Tracing (15%)
- OpenGL Rendering (15%)
- Animation (15%)
- Class participation (10%)
- Labs (Required)



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- Exams (30%)



Programming assignments (60%)

- Knowledge of C/C++ assumed!
- Must be turned in by 23:59 on due date
- **5 combined** late days
- Notify TA in your write-up if you use a late day
- Class participation (10%)
- Labs (Required)



Coursework: Collaboration Policy

- You must write your own code
- You must reference sources of ideas/code
- It's okay to:
 - Discuss ideas with other students
 - Get ideas from books, web sites, etc.
 - Get "support code" from books, web, etc.
» **REFERENCE IT**
- It is not okay to:
 - Share code with other students
 - Copy code from other students
 - Use ideas/code from other sources without attribution



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Bottom line:
If you don't **LOVE** programming,
don't take this class!



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Labs (Required)

- We will have in-class labs to discuss the current assignment/code.
- Attendance is **mandatory**

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Miscellaneous

- <http://www.cs.jhu.edu/~misha/Fall25>
 - Your source for notes, assignments, videos, etc.:
 - No required text book.
- Piazza page:
 - <https://piazza.com/jhu/fall2025/601457657>
 - » I will not look at posts unless explicitly notified!
- Will not cover GPU programming (e.g. shaders)



Miscellaneous

- Office hours:
 - » Misha's (Professor): Wednesdays 12-1 @ Malone 229
 - » Hongyi (TA): TBD
 - » CAs: TBD
- Keeping in touch:
 - Email: Piazza / misha@cs.jhu.edu
 - Note:
 - » Do not send code snippets.
 - » Do not ask us if your implementation is correct.

Miscellaneous



Assignment 1:

- Image Processing
- Due September 21st @ 11:59 pm
- Even if you won't start working on the code until later, download it and try compiling ASAP to make sure that things are correctly set up on your system.