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Approaching Production In Situ Visualization for Extreme Scale Analysis

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Slide of Doom



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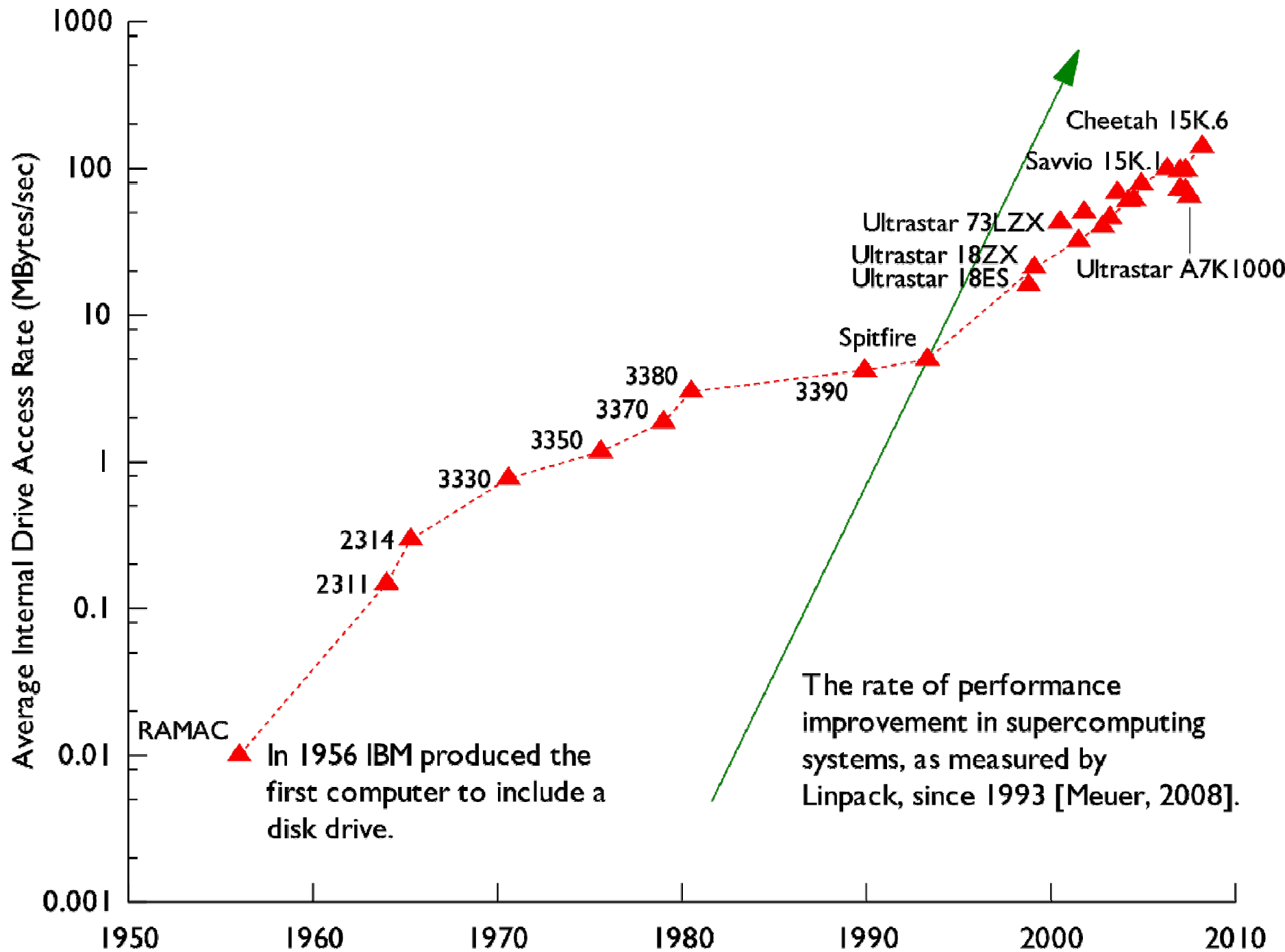
- Trends: More FLOPS with comparatively less storage, I/O bandwidth
 - Consequence: A smaller fraction of data can be captured on disk

Oak Ridge National Laboratory		
	System Peak	I/O BW
Jaguar (2008)	263 TFLOPS	44 GB/s
Jaguar PF (2009)	1.75 PFLOPS	240 GB/s
Titan (2012)	20 PFLOPS	240 GB/s
Factor Change	76x	5.5x

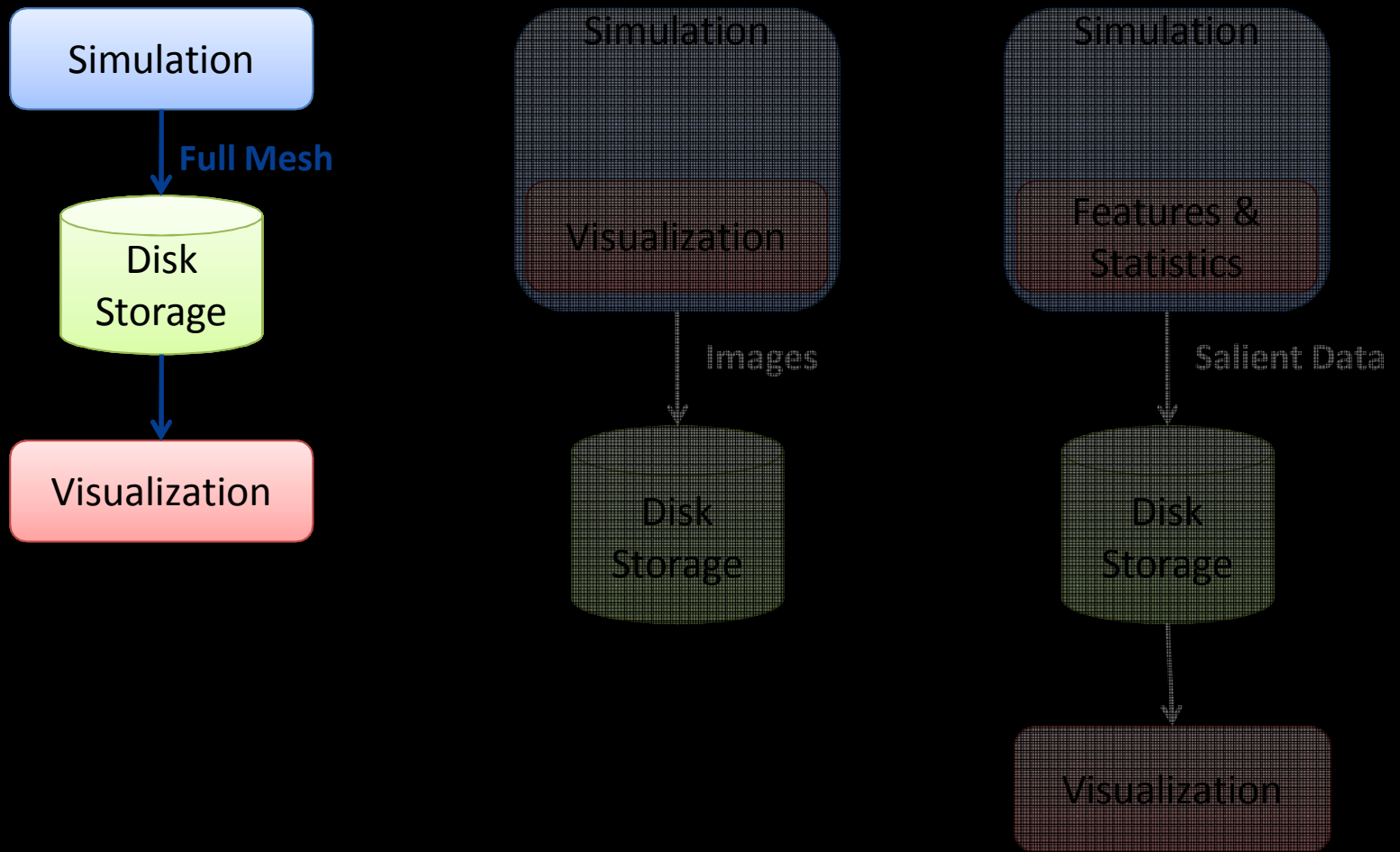
Argonne National Laboratory		
	System Peak	I/O BW
Intrepid (2003)	560 TFLOPS	88 GB/s
Mira (2011)	10 PFLOPS	240 GB/s
Factor Change	17.8x	2.7x

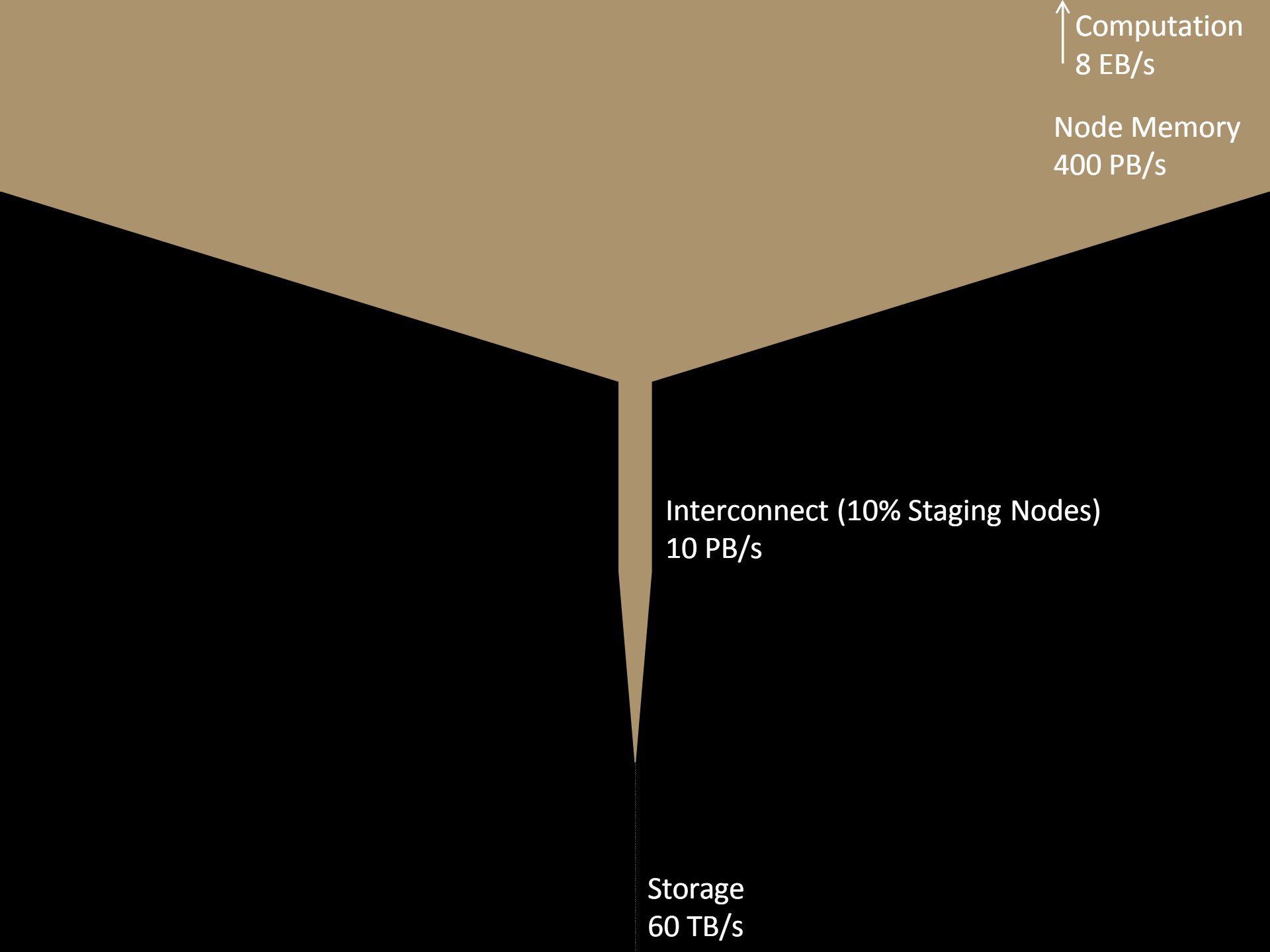
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory		
	System Peak	I/O BW
ASC Purple (2005)	100 TFLOPS	106 GB/s
Sequoia (2012)	20 PFLOPS	1 TB/s

Sandia National Laboratories		
	System Peak	I/O BW
Red Storm (2003)	180 TFLOPS	100 GB/s
Cielo (2011)	1.4 PFLOPS	160 GB/s



Diskless Visualization





↑ Computation
8 EB/s

Node Memory
400 PB/s

Interconnect (10% Staging Nodes)
10 PB/s

Storage
60 TB/s

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Off-Line
Visualization

Storage
60 TB/s

Embedded
Visualization

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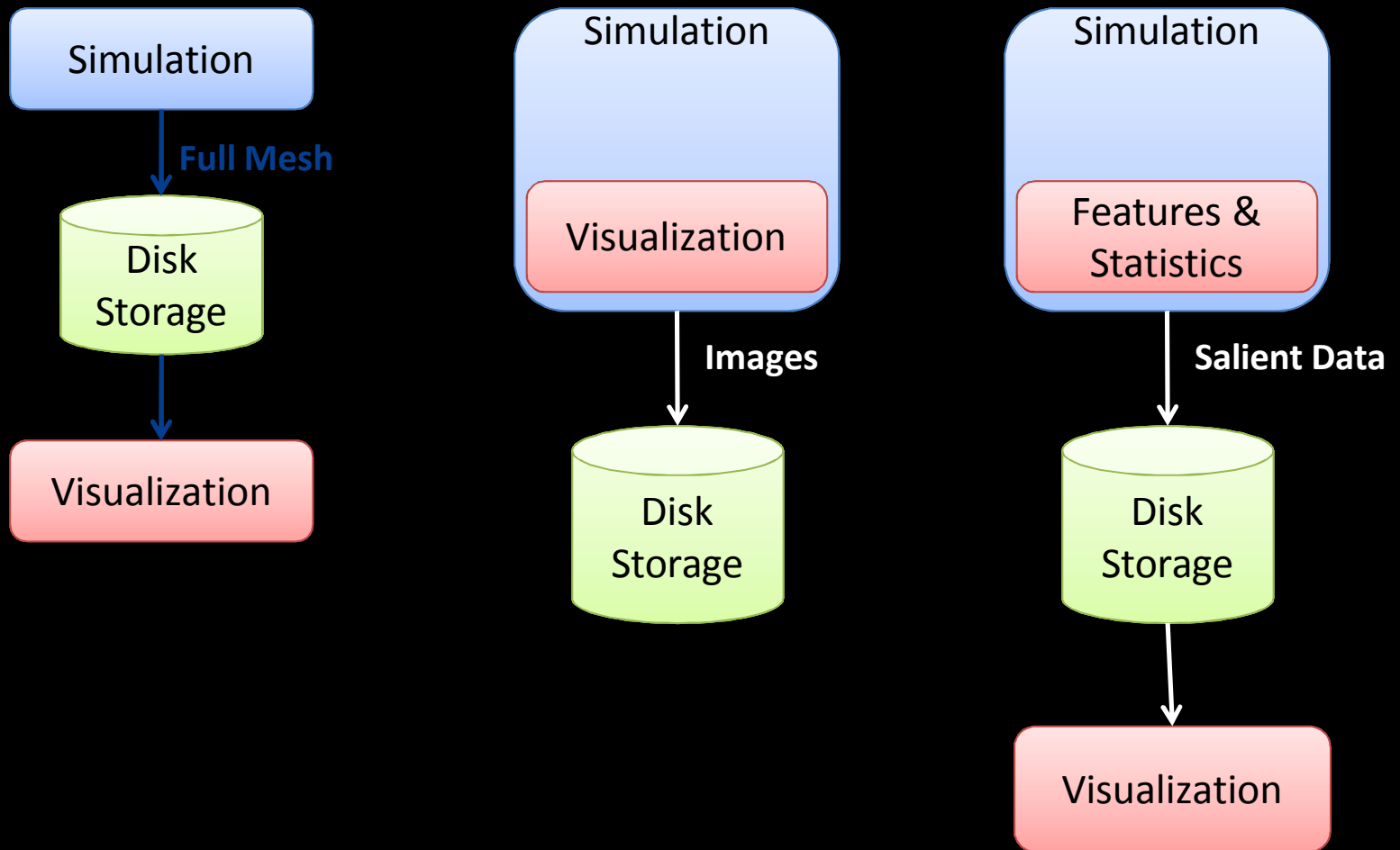
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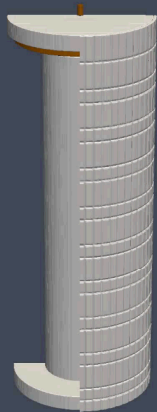
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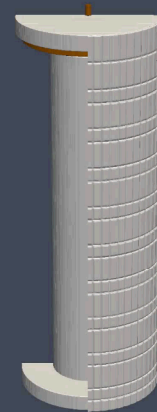
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Diskless Visualization





Limited off-line data access.



Full in situ data access.

The Perils of In Situ Integration

Simulation



Visualization

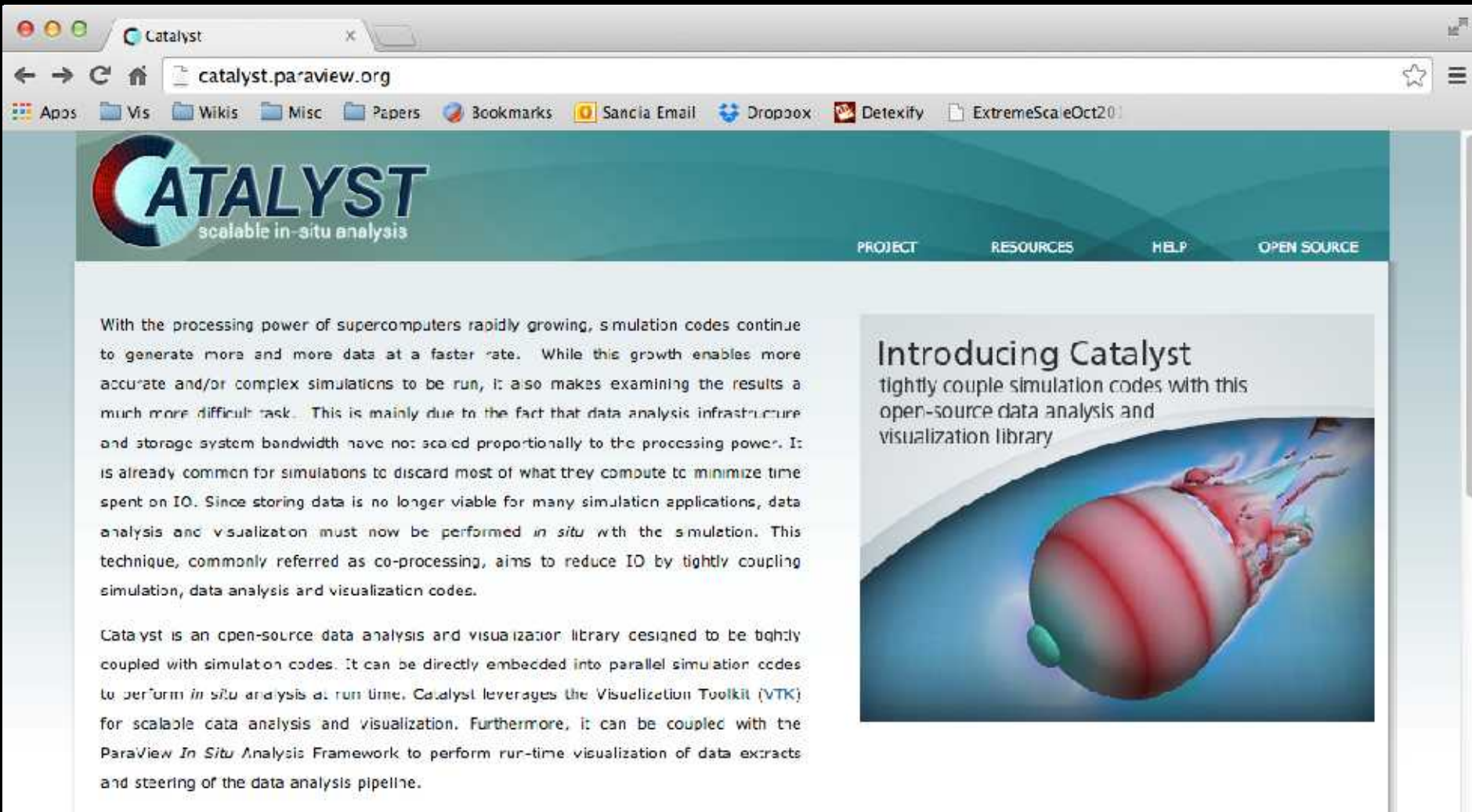
Proper In Situ Integration

Visualization



Simulation

The Catalyst In Situ Library



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying `catalyst.paraview.org`. The browser's address bar and tabs are visible at the top. The website's header features the Catalyst logo, which consists of a stylized 'C' with a blue and red gradient, followed by the word 'CATALYST' in large, bold, blue letters, and the tagline 'scalable in-situ analysis' in smaller, blue letters below it. To the right of the logo, there are four navigation links: 'PROJECT', 'RESOURCES', 'HELP', and 'OPEN SOURCE'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a paragraph of text about the challenges of simulation data analysis and the need for in-situ processing. The right column features a large, colorful 3D visualization of a simulation, showing a red and white sphere with a blue and green trail, set against a blue background. Above this visualization is the text 'Introducing Catalyst' followed by a description of the library's purpose.

Catalyst

catalyst.paraview.org

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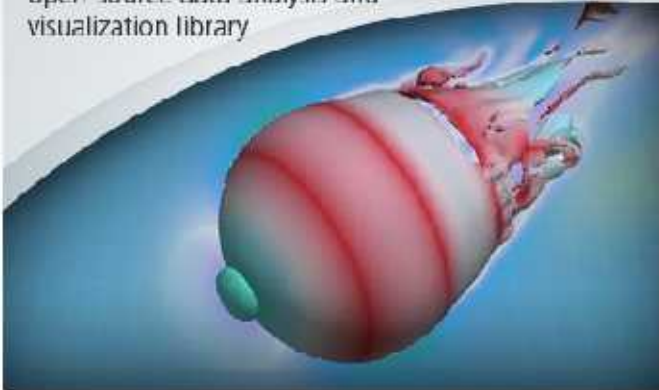
CATALYST
scalable in-situ analysis

PROJECT RESOURCES HELP OPEN SOURCE

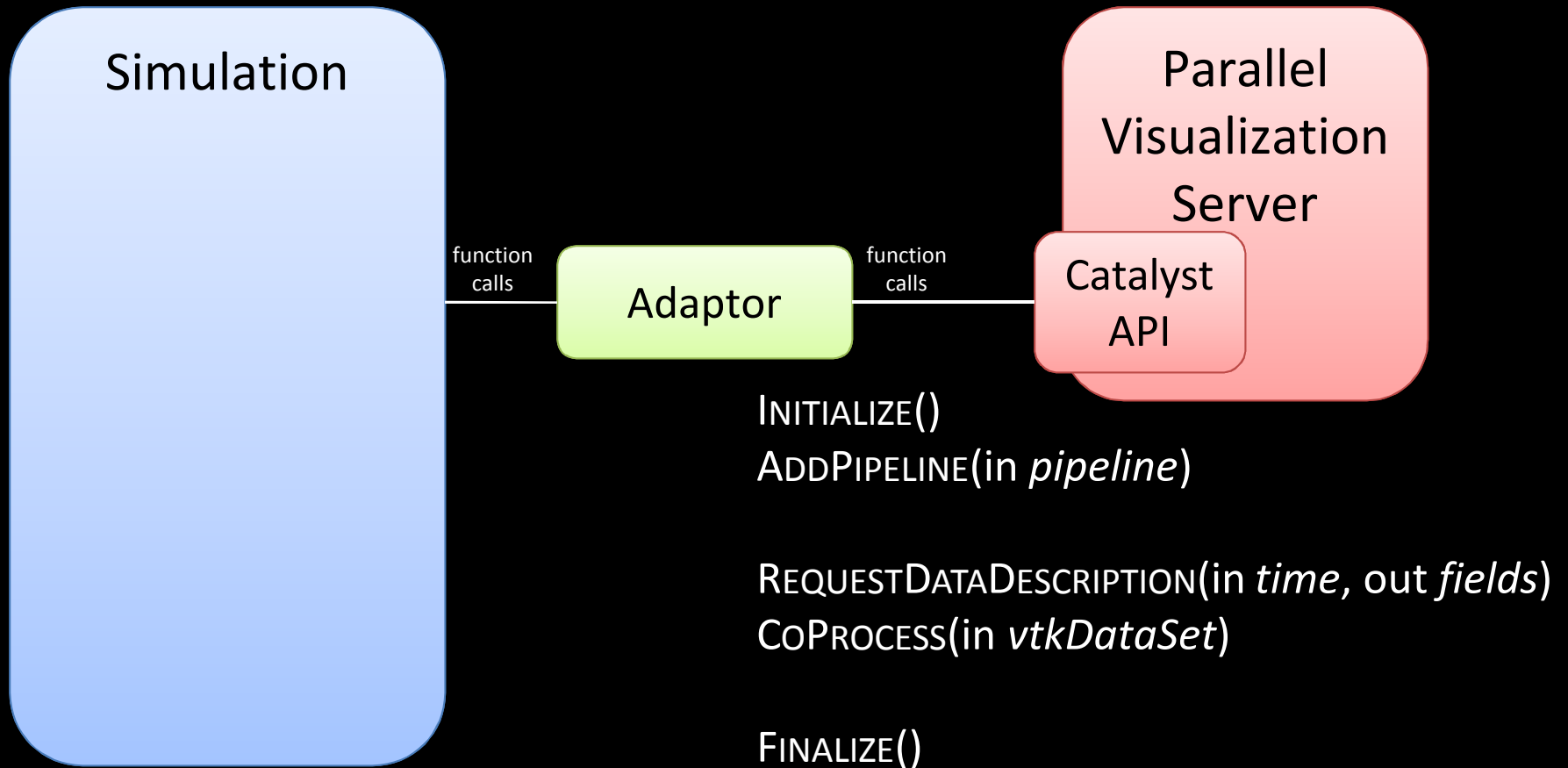
With the processing power of supercomputers rapidly growing, simulation codes continue to generate more and more data at a faster rate. While this growth enables more accurate and/or complex simulations to be run, it also makes examining the results a much more difficult task. This is mainly due to the fact that data analysis infrastructure and storage system bandwidth have not scaled proportionally to the processing power. It is already common for simulations to discard most of what they compute to minimize time spent on IO. Since storing data is no longer viable for many simulation applications, data analysis and visualization must now be performed *in situ* with the simulation. This technique, commonly referred as co-processing, aims to reduce IO by tightly coupling simulation, data analysis and visualization codes.

Catalyst is an open-source data analysis and visualization library designed to be tightly coupled with simulation codes. It can be directly embedded into parallel simulation codes to perform *in situ* analysis at run time. Catalyst leverages the Visualization Toolkit (VTK) for scalable data analysis and visualization. Furthermore, it can be coupled with the ParaView *In Situ* Analysis Framework to perform run-time visualization of data extracts and steering of the data analysis pipeline.

Introducing Catalyst
tightly couple simulation codes with this
open-source data analysis and
visualization library



Catalyst-Simulation Integration



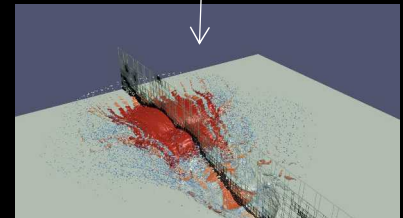
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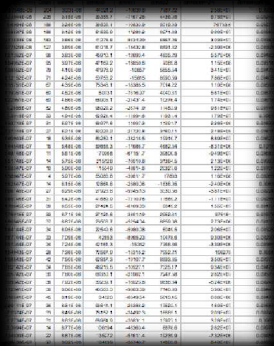


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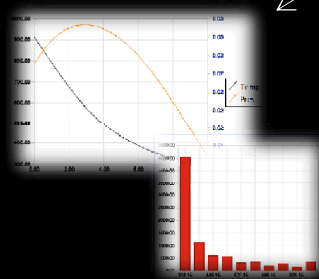
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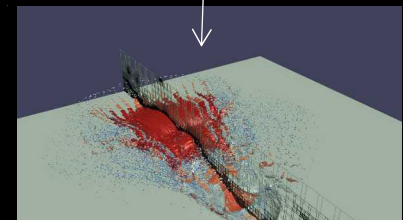


Statistics



Line Series

Polygonal Surfaces
Field Data



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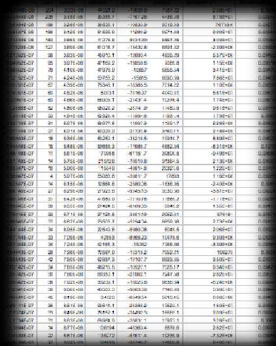
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reader = servermanager.sources.Reader(FileName=path)
view = servermanager.CreateRenderView()
repr = servermanager.CreateRepresentation(reader, view)
reader.UpdatePipeline()
dataInfo = reader.GetDataInformation()
pDInfo = dataInfo.GetPointDataInformation()
arrayInfo = pDInfo.GetArrayInformation("displacement9")
if arrayInfo:
    # get the range for the magnitude of displacement9
    range = arrayInfo.GetComponentRange(-1)
    lut = servermanager.rendering.PVLookupTable()
    lut.RGBPoints = [range[0], 0.0, 0.0, 1.0,
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    lut.VectorMode = "Magnitude"
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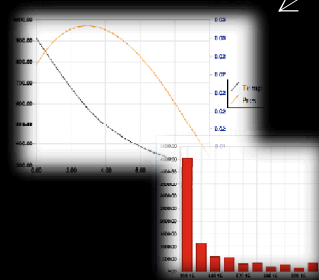
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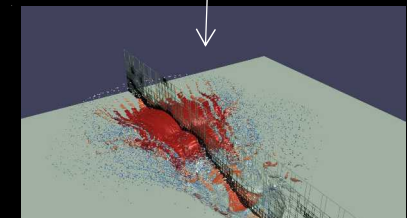


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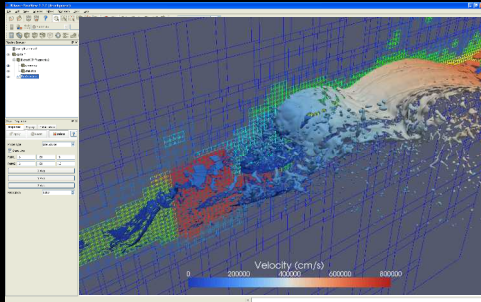


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Script Export

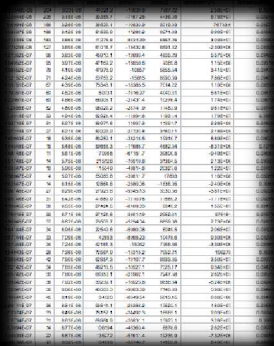
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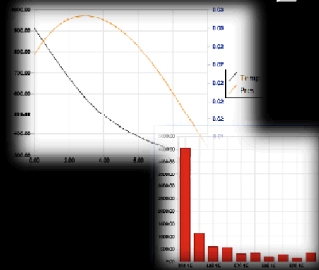
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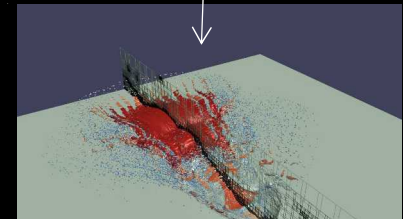


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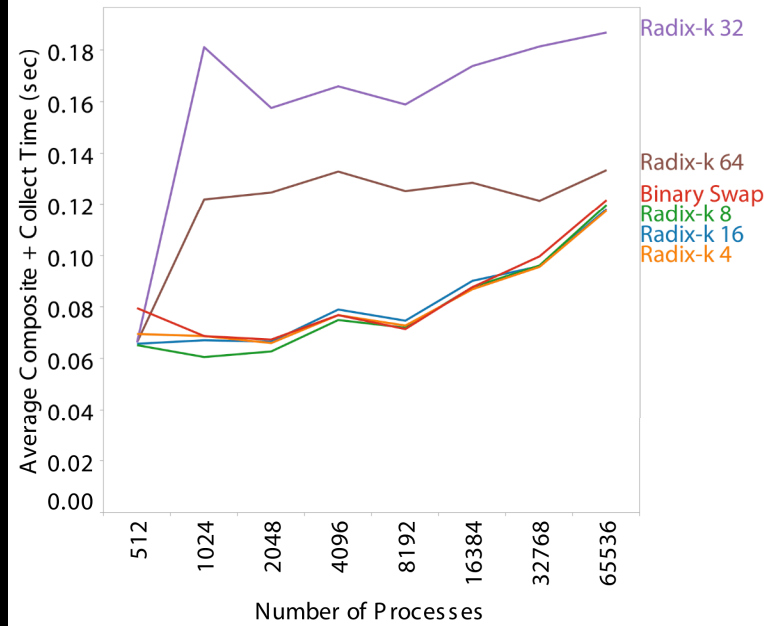
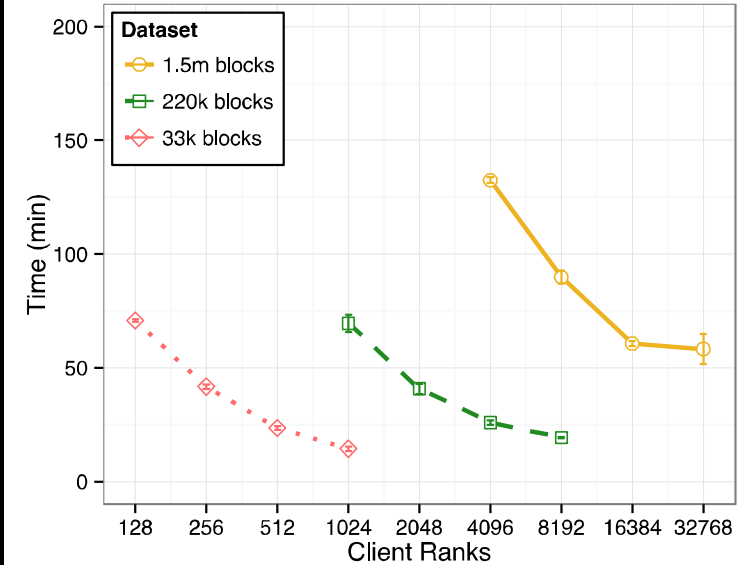
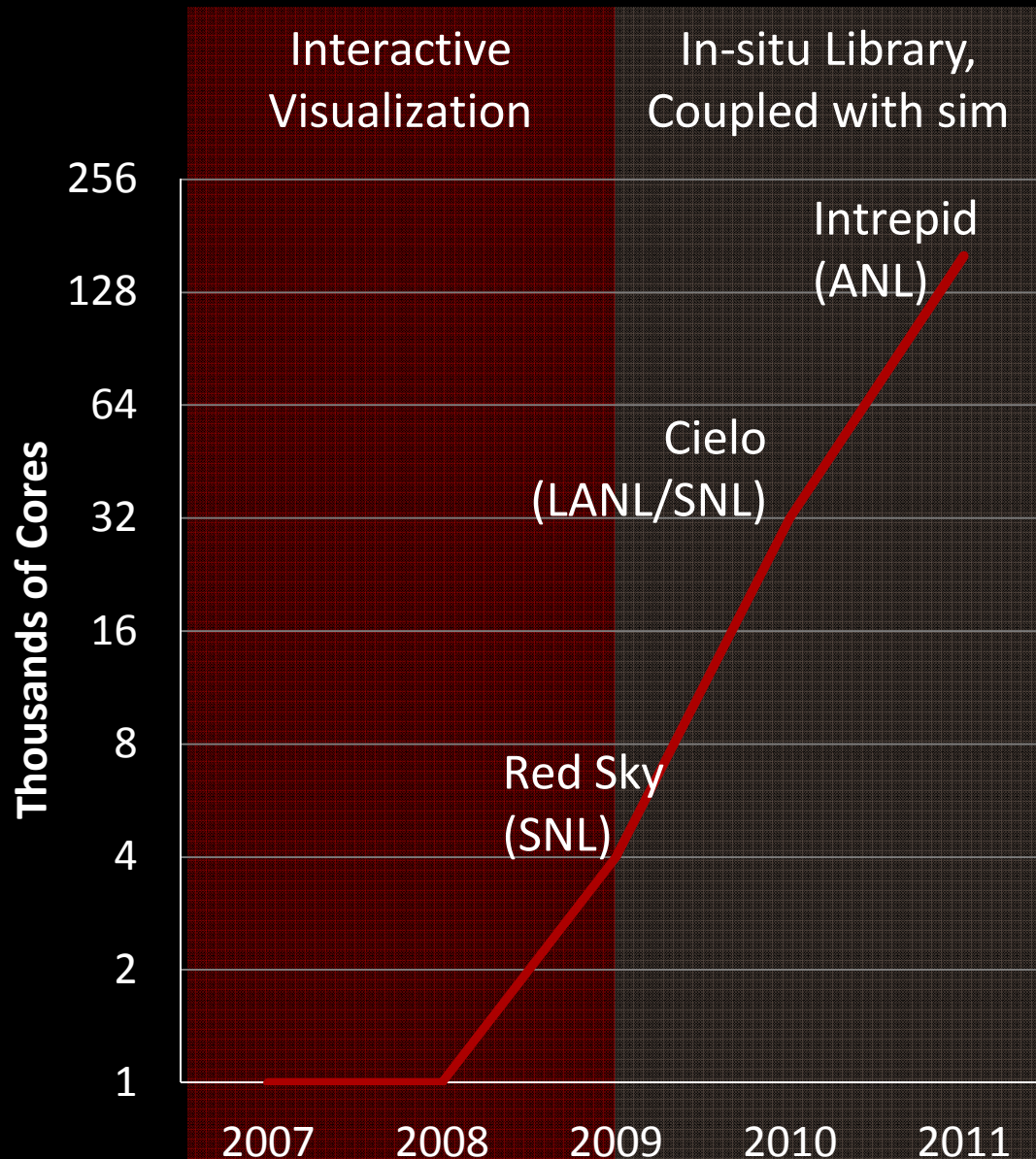
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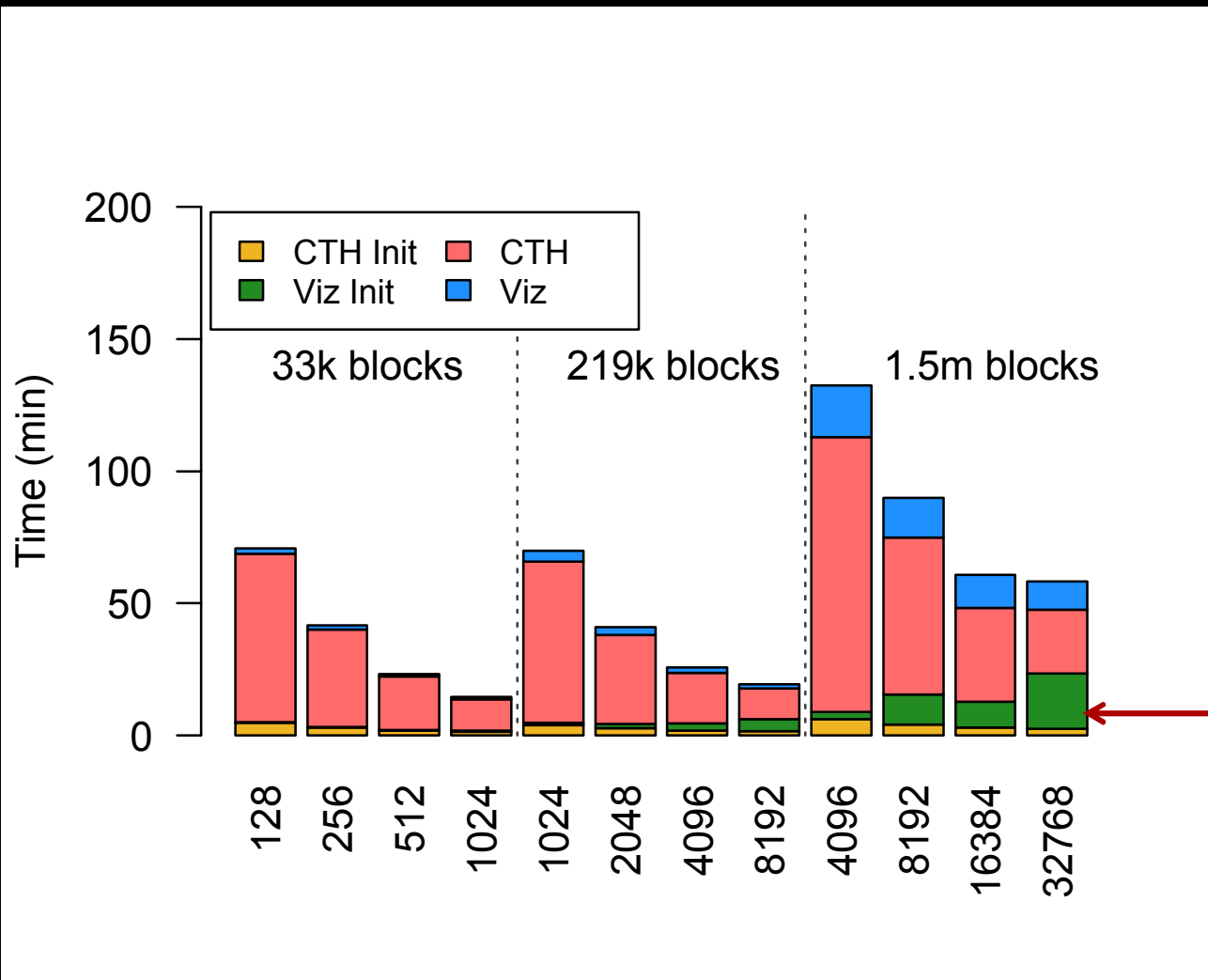


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In Situ Library Challenges: Scaling



Example of Scaling Biting You



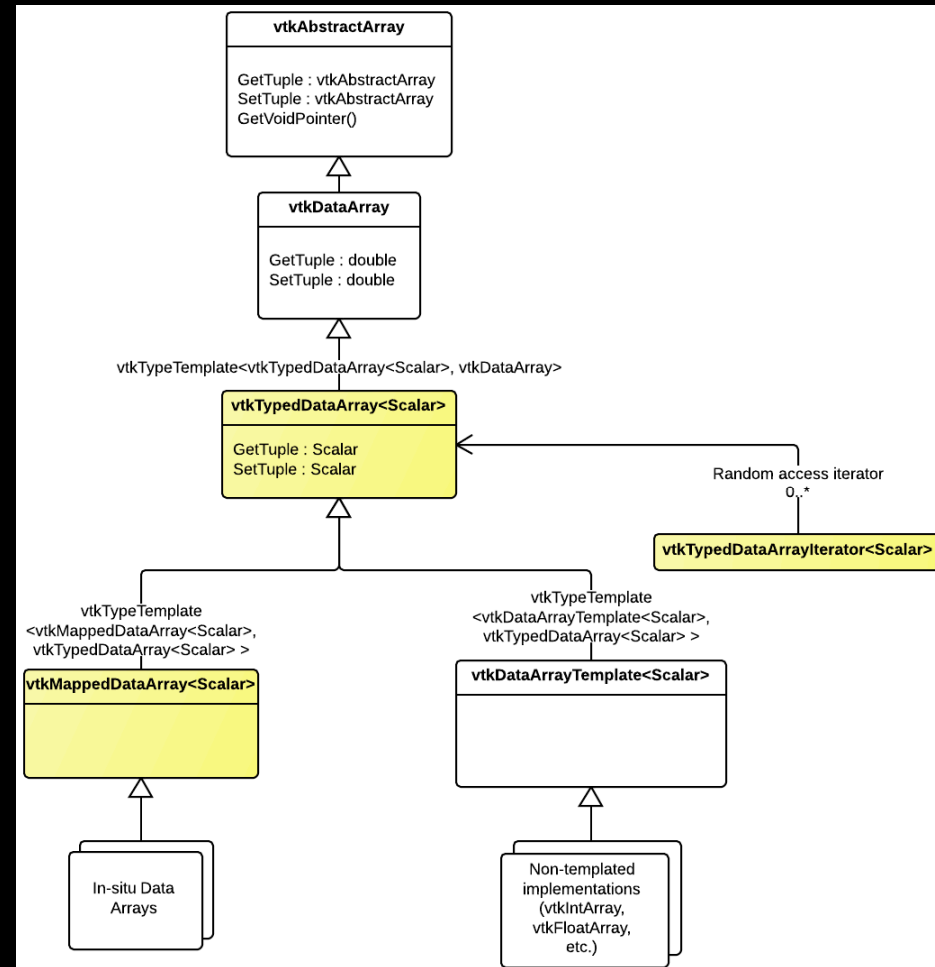
- Initialization time problematic
- Traced mostly back to dynamic elements (Python scripts) loading
- Solution: statically link scripts

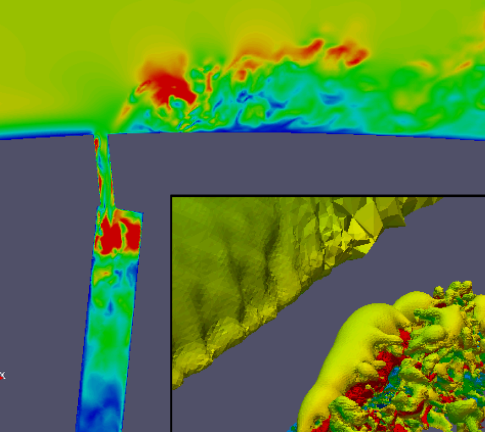
In Situ Library Challenges: Footprint

- Catalyst sits on libraries comprising over 4 million lines of code (most in VTK) developed for more than 2 decades.
- To support script interpreters, all code that *might* be accessed must be loaded.
 - Leads to big library files and program text sections.
- Solution: load subsets of code.
 - VTK repository modularized. Smaller libraries with clearer dependencies.
 - Provide Catalyst “Editions.”
 - Collections of functionality common to certain usage.
 - Makes it easier to get useful subset.

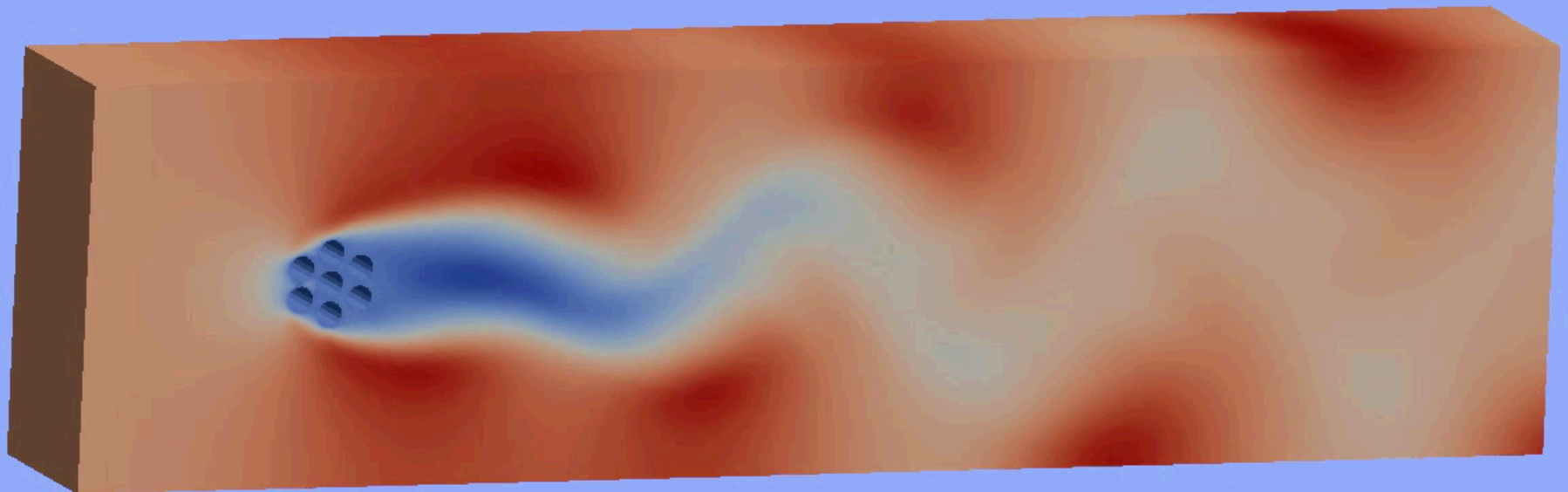
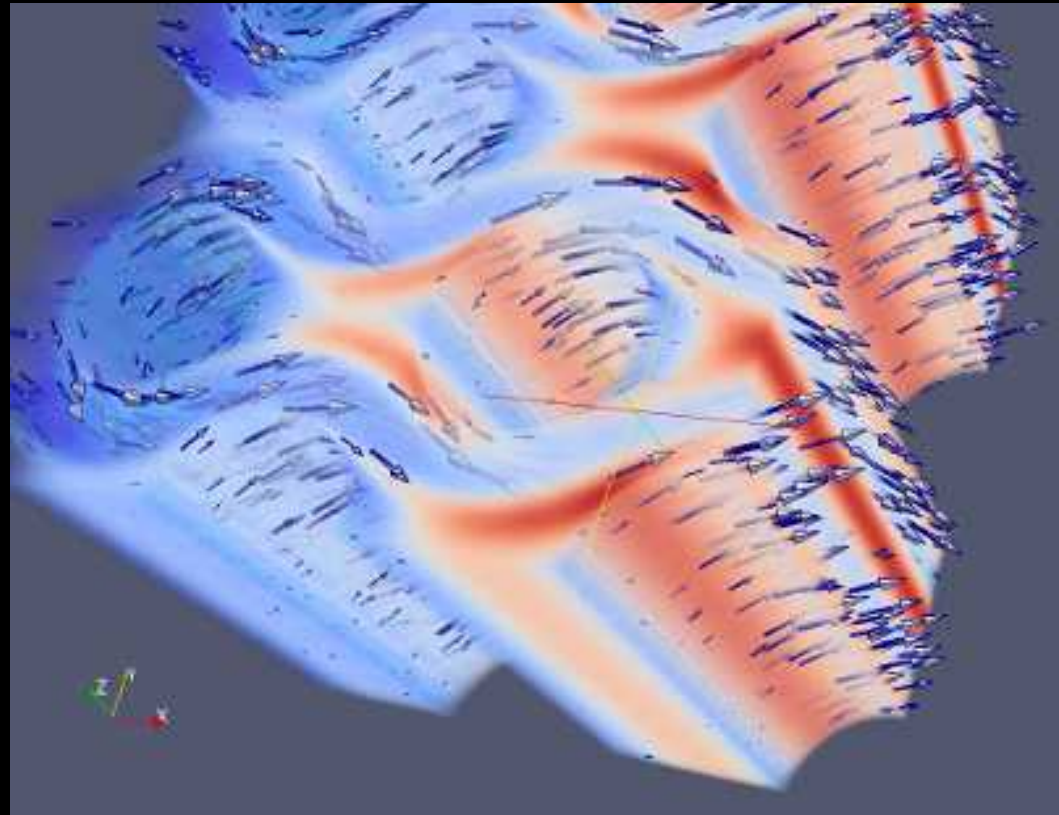
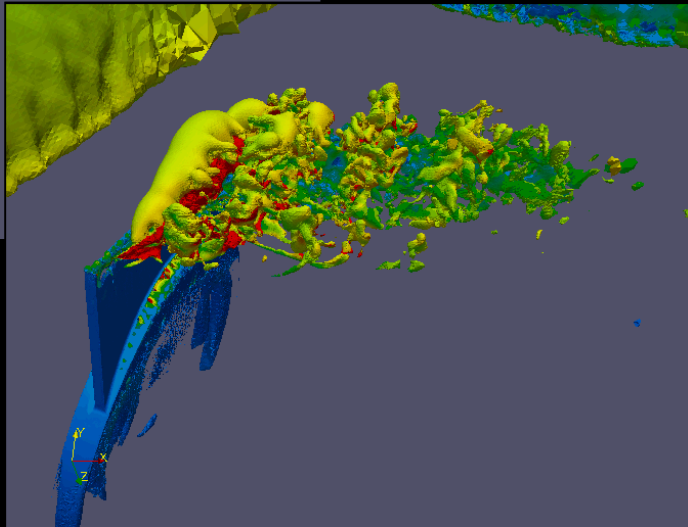
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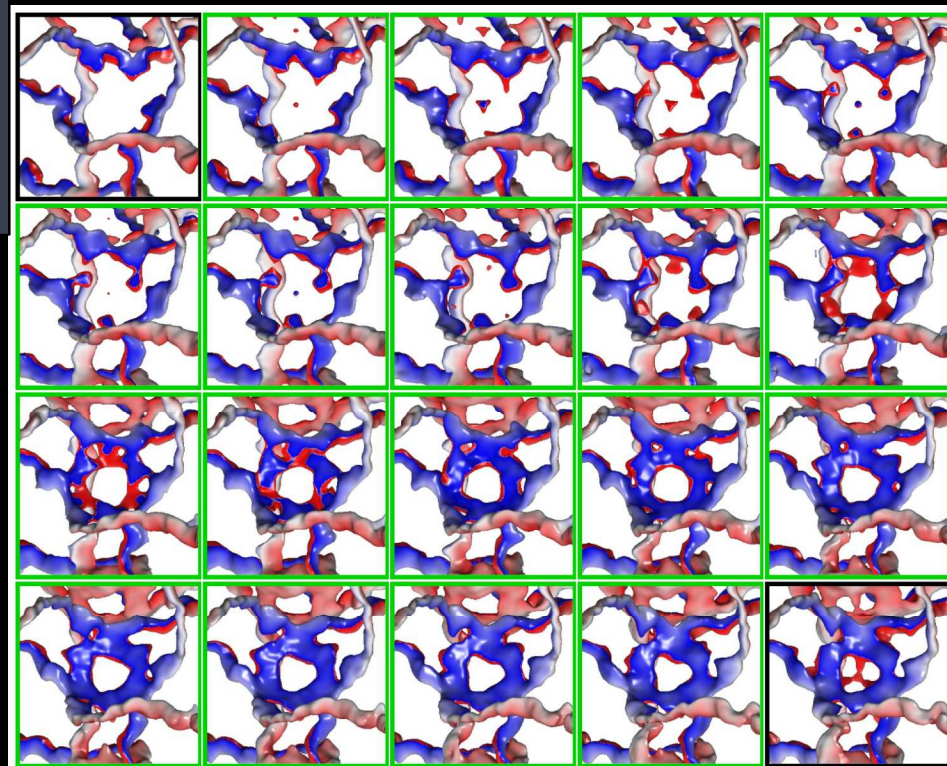
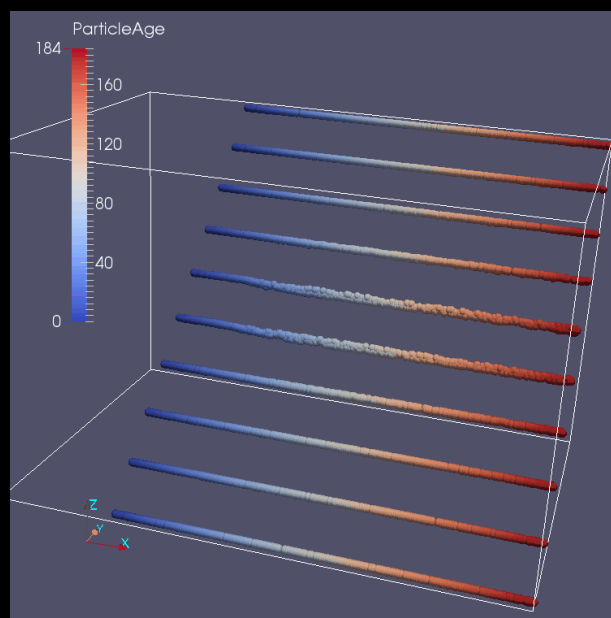
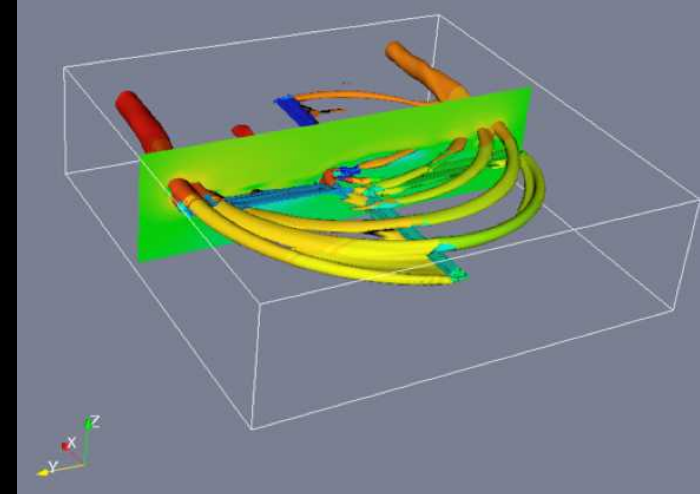
- Catalyst uses VTK for algorithm implementation.
 - VTK expects a particular data layout in memory.
 - If simulation uses a different layout, deep copy memory: double storage.
- Recent update of VTK data structure.
 - Support generic data layout through virtual method interface.





Lorendeau, Fournier, and Ribes. "In-Situ visualization in fluid mechanics using Catalyst: a case study for Code_Saturne."





Ziegeler, Pettey, and Koop. "100K+ Core Challenge for Comprehensive Computing at Scale."

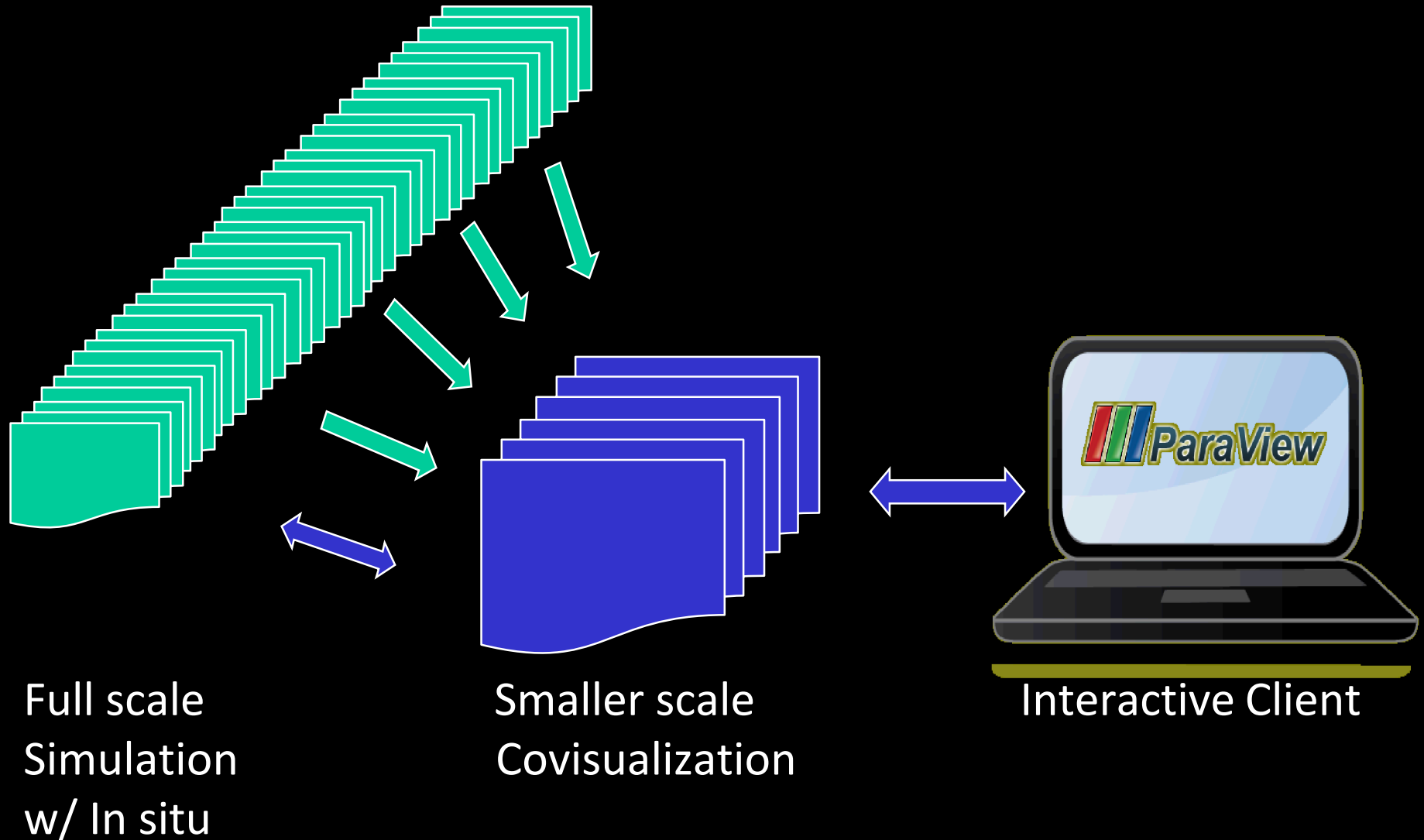


Source: Archive of Ridiculous Metaphors

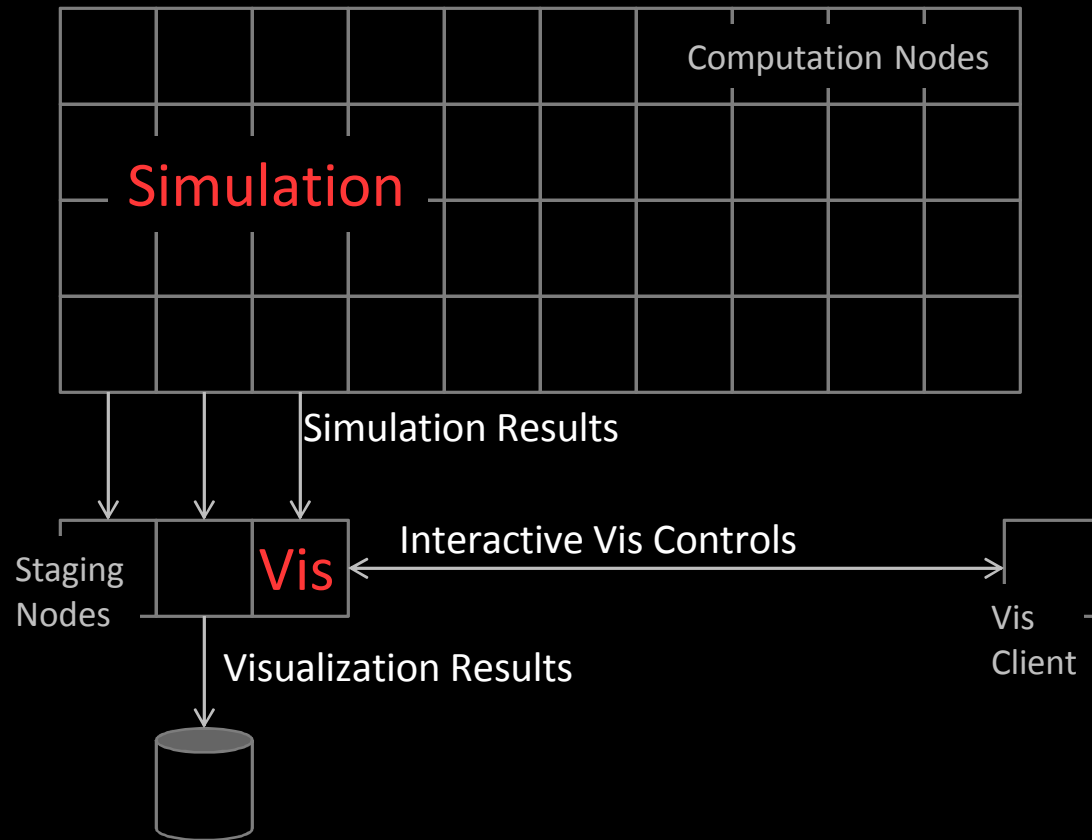
Space of Solutions

	Capability	Coupling	Footprint	Transfer	Interactive
Custom	Low	Tight	Low	None	No
ParaView In Situ, In Core	High	Tight	High	Possible memcpy	No
ParaView In Situ, Multi-Job	High	Tight	Medium	Subset Hi Speed Transfer	Yes
ParaView In Transit	High	Loose	~5% Extra Nodes	Hi Speed Transfer	Yes
File-based Post Process	High	Loose	None	Slow Disk, Archive Cost	Yes

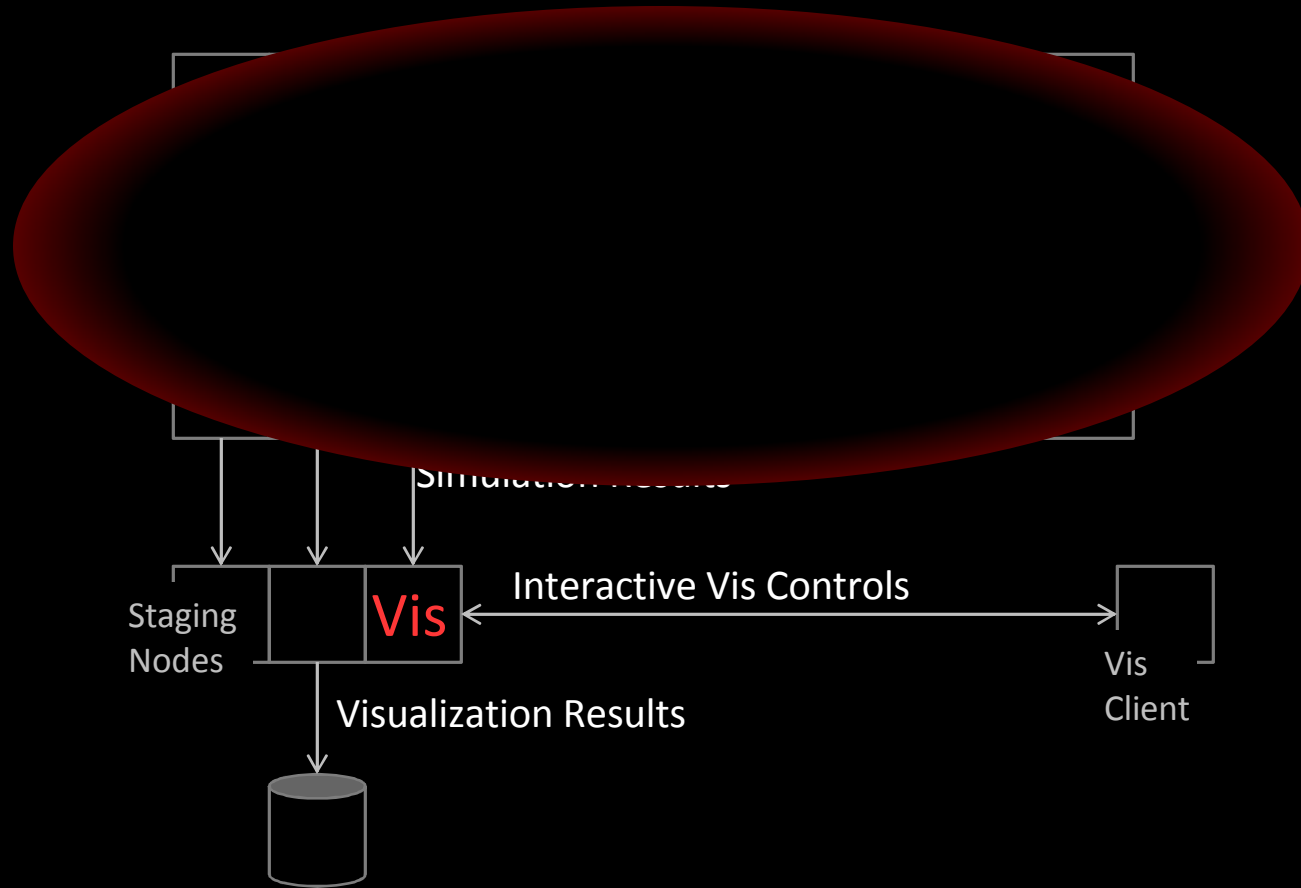
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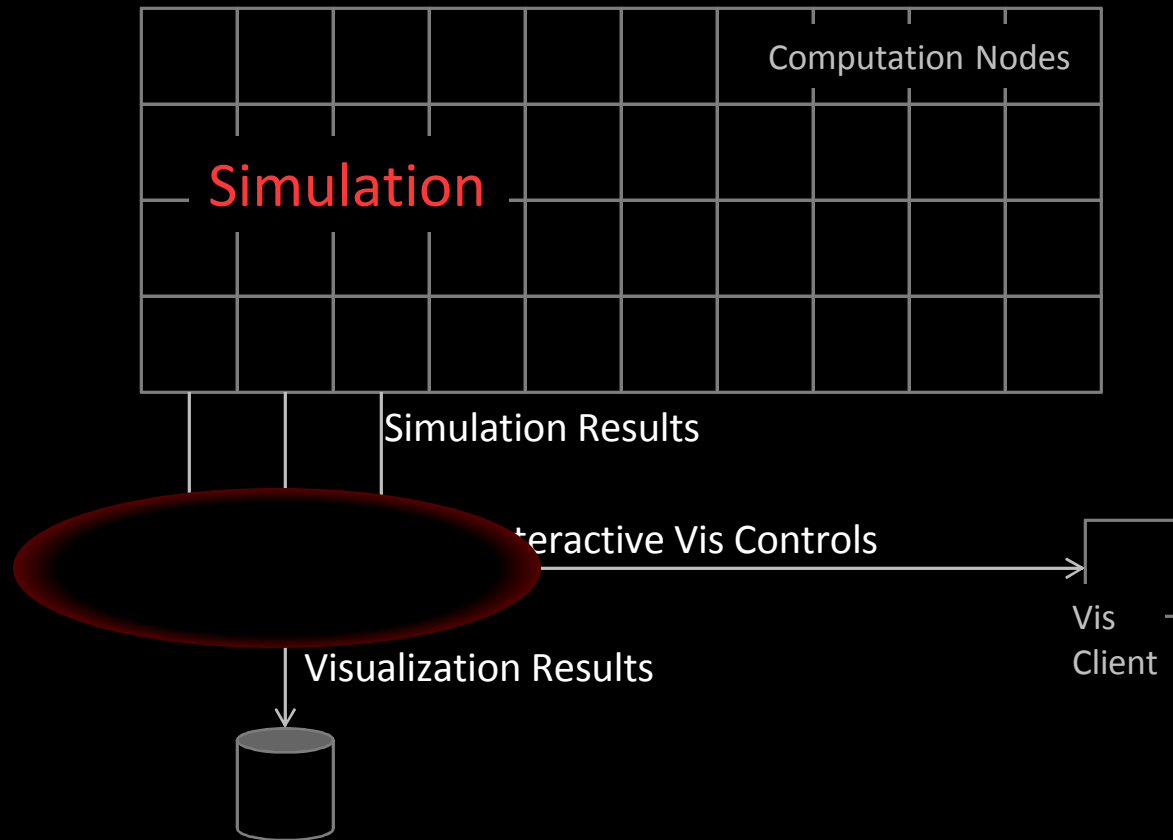
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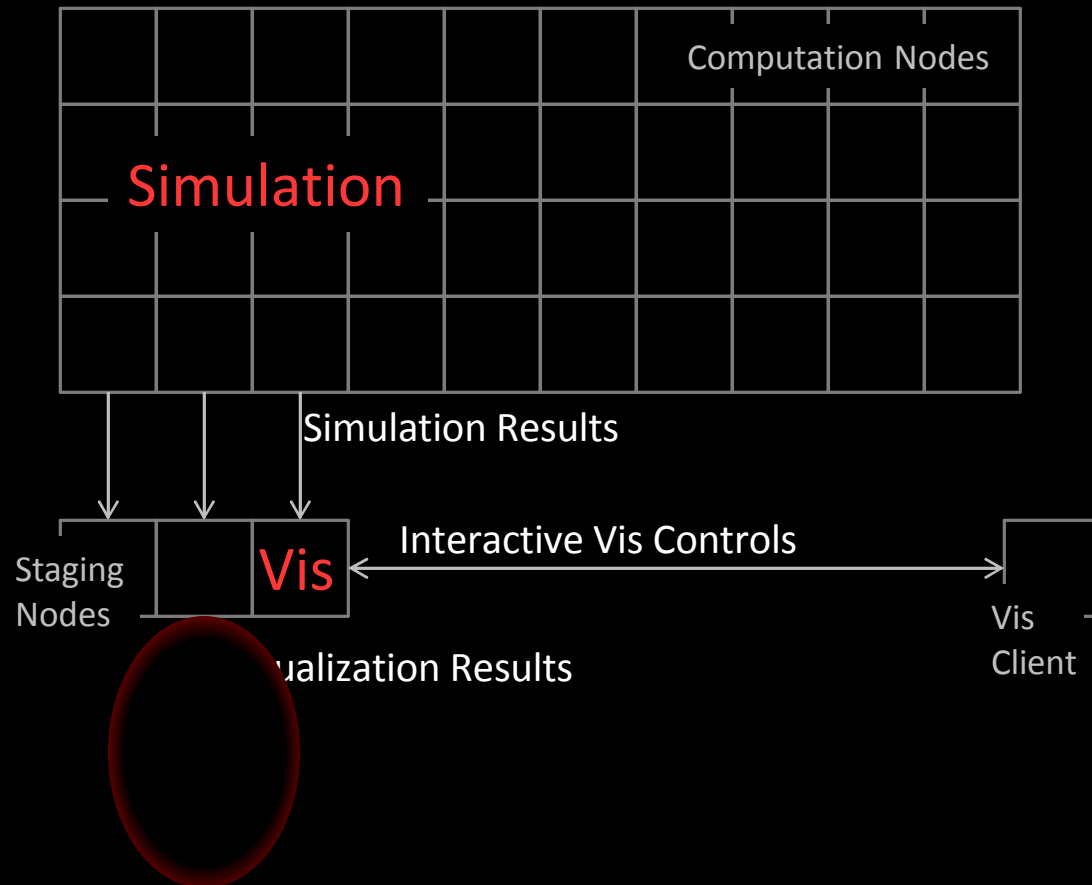
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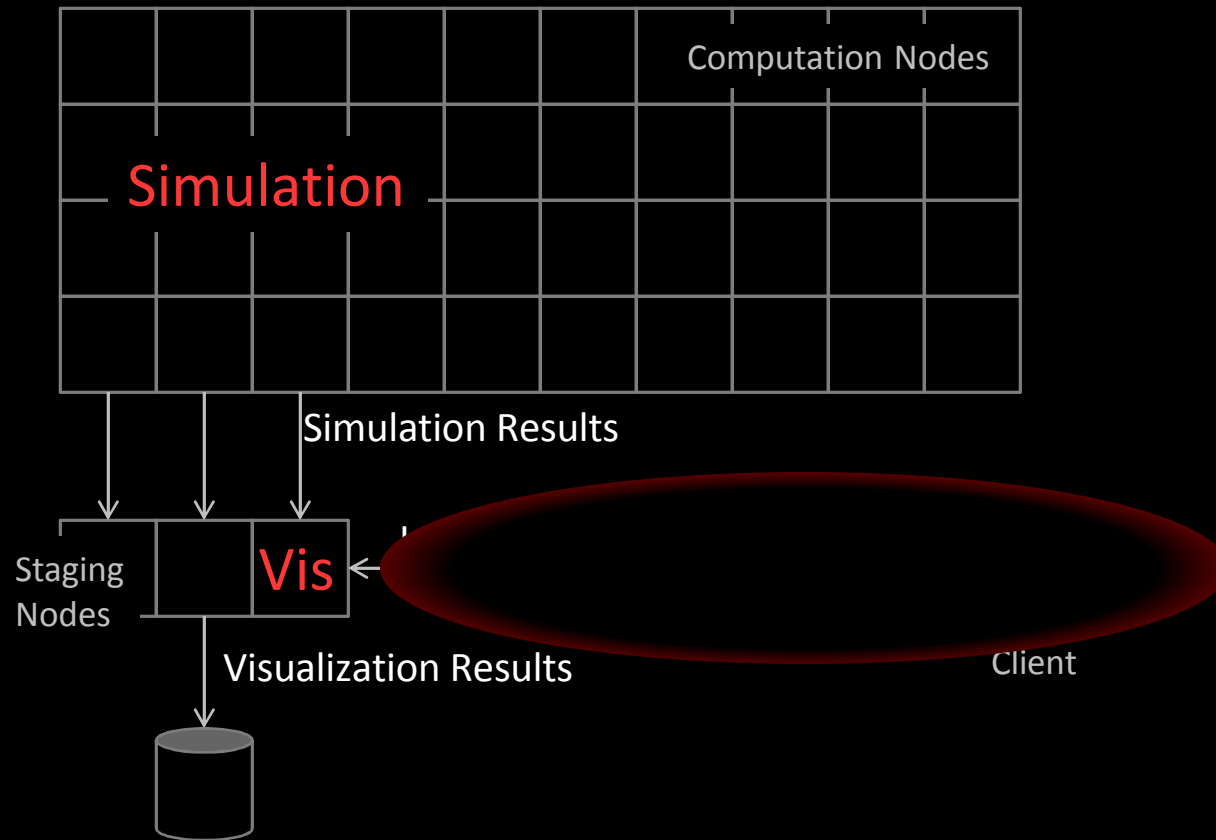
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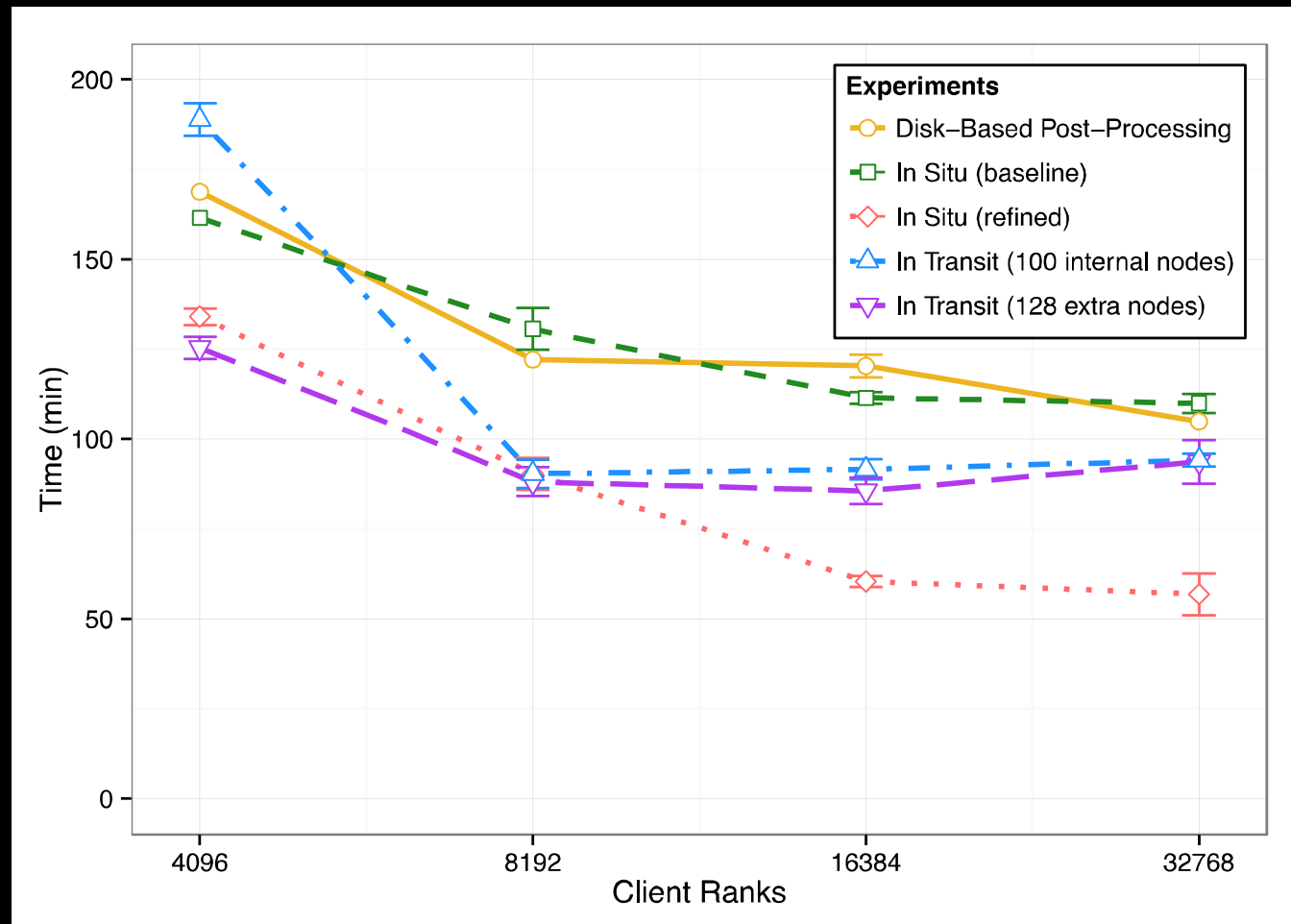


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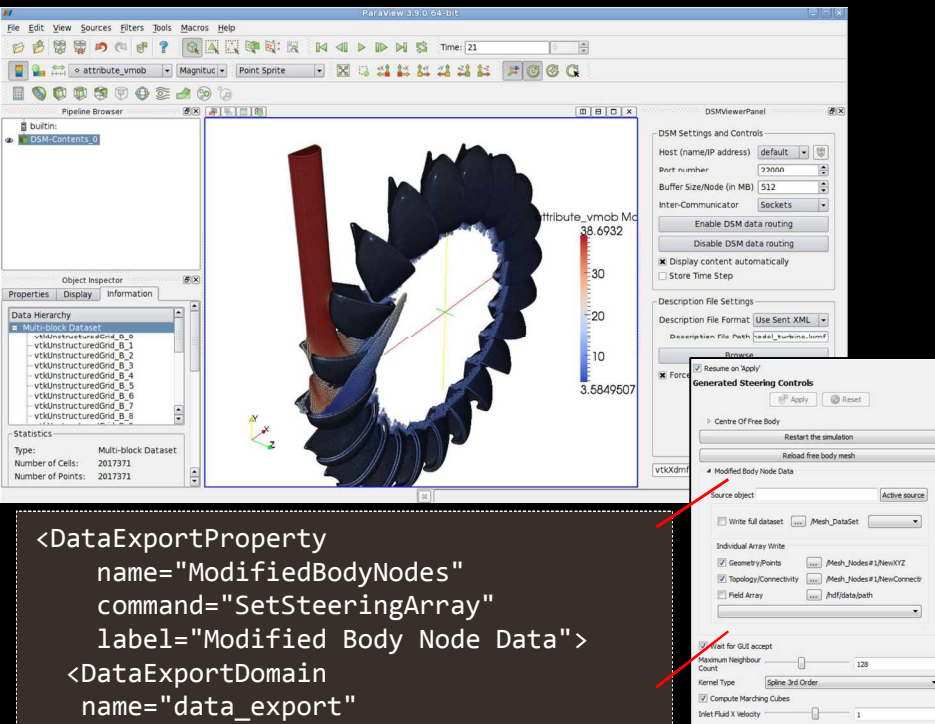


Efficiency of In Transit

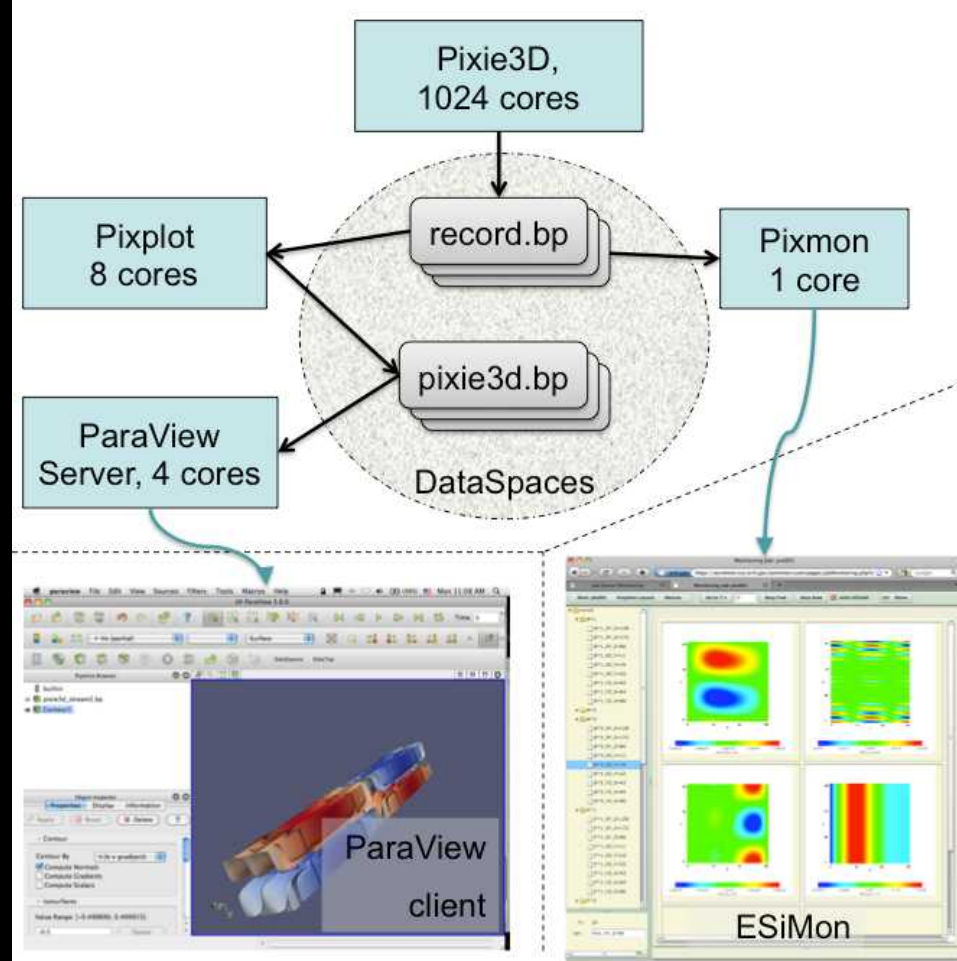
- Although it requires large data transfers, in transit visualization can be more efficient than in situ visualization in some circumstances.



Generalizing In Transit



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```



Conclusion

- In Situ visualization is a critical technology
 - As relative storage performance drops, eventually impossible to store enough
 - It's not a problem until it's a really big problem
- In Situ integration is messy
 - Integration of code can cause contention
 - One size doesn't fit all
- Reusable production tools are important
 - It's not reasonable or feasible to reinvent the wheel every time

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