

Toward FAIR Visualization of Visualization Research

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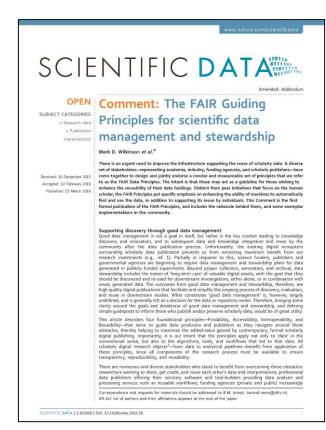
FAIR Guiding Principles ...

• FAIR principles for scientific data management & stewardship

[Wilkinson et al., 2016; doi: 10/bdd4]

- Findable
- Accessible
- Interoperable
- Reproducible

for both humans and machines



... for data and w.r.t. machines?

Box 2 | The FAIR Guiding Principles

To be Findable:

- F1. (meta)data are assigned a globally unique and persistent identifier
- F2. data are described with rich metadata (defined by R1 below)
- F3. metadata clearly and explicitly include the identifier of the data it describes
- F4. (meta)data are registered or indexed in a searchable resource

To be Accessible:

- A1. (meta)data are retrievable by their identifier using a standardized communications protocol
- A1.1 the protocol is open, free, and universally implementable
- A1.2 the protocol allows for an authentication and authorization procedure, where necessary
- A2. metadata are accessible, even when the data are no longer available

To be Interoperable:

- I1. (meta)data use a formal, accessible, shared, and broadly applicable language for knowledge representation.
- 12. (meta)data use vocabularies that follow FAIR principles
- 13. (meta)data include qualified references to other (meta)data

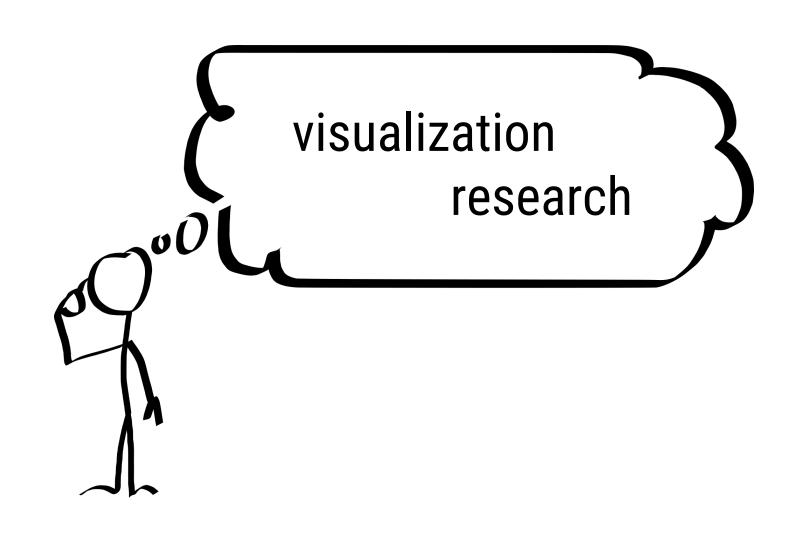
To be Reusable:

- R1. meta(data) are richly described with a plurality of accurate and relevant attributes
- R1.1. (meta)data are released with a clear and accessible data usage license
- R1.2. (meta)data are associated with detailed provenance
- R1.3. (meta)data meet domain-relevant community standards

... for people who care about VIS research?

"A holistic approach to research data management not only considers FAIRness of data, but extends to all processes and artifacts used to obtain research results, including visualization and subjecting it to FAIR requirements."











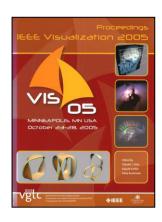


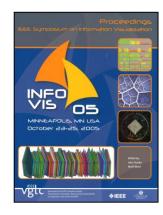




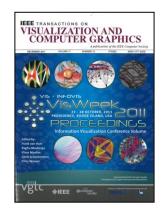


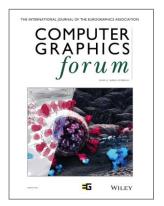




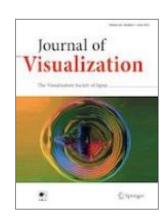


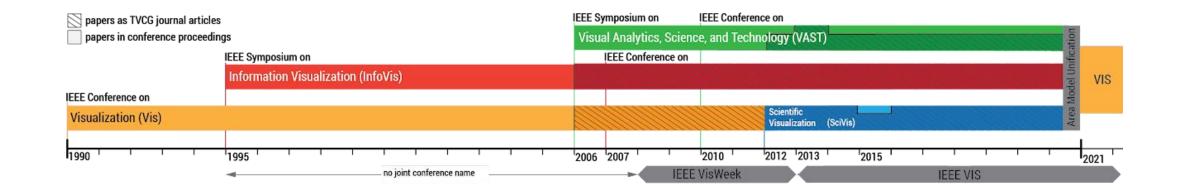












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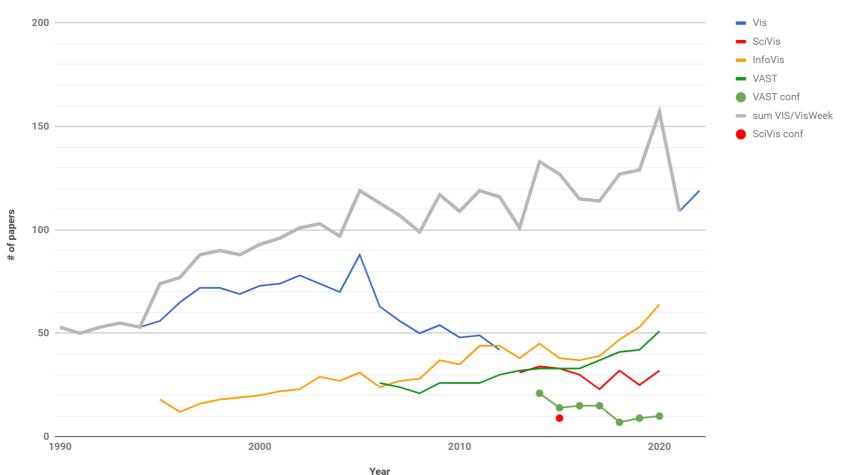
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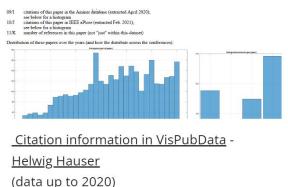
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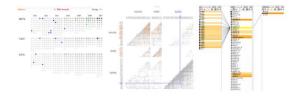
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<u>KeyVis</u> - Isenberg et al. (<u>link to paper pdf</u>) (data up to 2015)



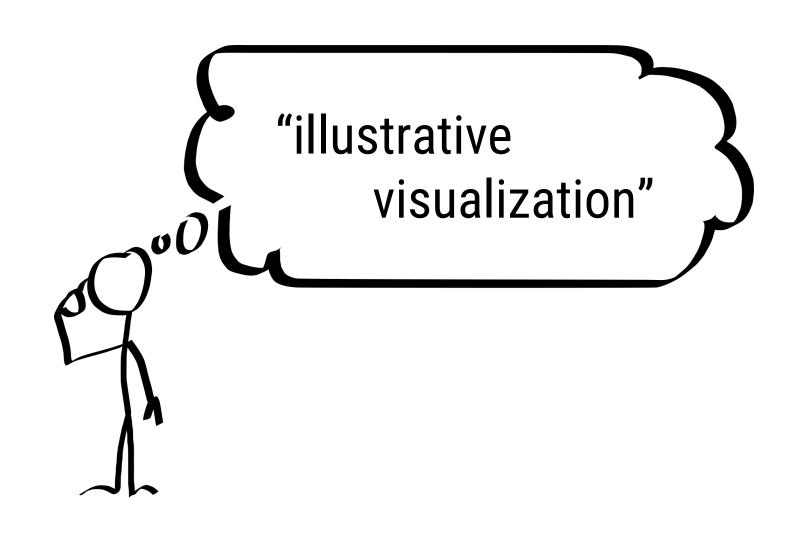
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- correcting paper titles
- de-duping & identifying authors uniquely (w/ dblp computer science bibliography)
- fixing DL mistakes/omissions (many!)
- scope
 - IEEE VIS main conference(s), full papers
 - EuroVis?
 - (TVCG/CG&A) journal presentations @ VIS?
- (continued) regular update? GitHub?







Visualization as Seen Through its Research Paper Keywords

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Abstract—We present the results of a comprehensive multi-pass analysis of visualization paper keywords supplied by authors for their papers published in the IEEE Visualization conference series (now called IEEE VIS) between 1990–2015. From this analysis we derived a set of visualization topics that we discuss in the context of the current taxonomy that is used to categorize papers and assign reviewers in the IEEE VIS reviewing process. We point out missing and overemphasized topics in the current taxonomy and start a discussion on the importance of establishing common visualization terminology. Our analysis of research topics in visualization can, thus, serve as a starting point to (a) help create a common vocabulary to improve communication among different visualization sub-groups, (b) facilitate the process of understanding differences and commonalities of the various research sub-fields in visualization, (c) provide an understanding of emerging new research trends, (d) facilitate the crucial step of finding the right reviewers for research submissions, and (e) it can eventually lead to a comprehensive taxonomy of visualization research. One additional tangible outcome of our work is an online query tool (http://keyvis.org/) that allows visualization researchers to easily browse the 3 952 keywords used for

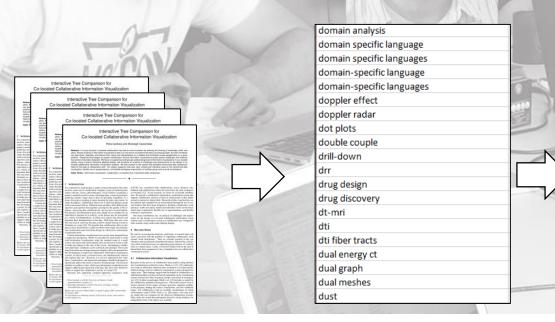
Index Terms—Keywords, data analysis, research themes, research topics, taxonomy, visualization history, theory.

1 MOTIVATION

One of the main reasons why visualization is such a fascinating field of research is its diversity. There is not only a diversity of applications but also a diversity of research methods being employed, a diversity of research contributions being made, as well as the diversity of its roots.

research an exciting field to be part of, they also create enormous challenges. There are different levels of appreciation for all aspects of visualization research, communication challenges between visualization researchers, and the challenge of communicating visualization as

data – IEEE VIS conference 1990-2015



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domain analysis
domain-specific languages
doppler effect
doppler radar
dot plots
double couple
drill-down
drug design
drug discovery
dual energy computed tomography image fusion
dual graph
dual meshes
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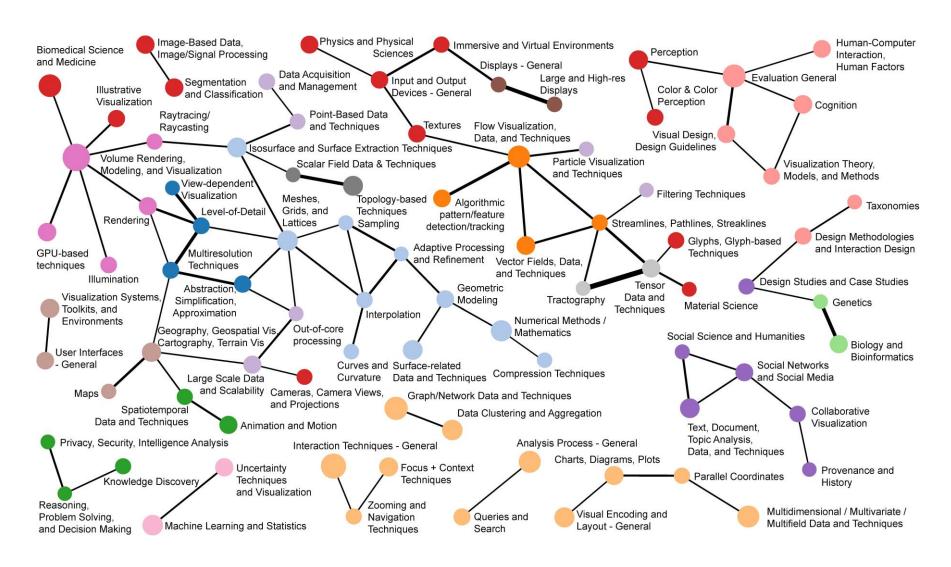
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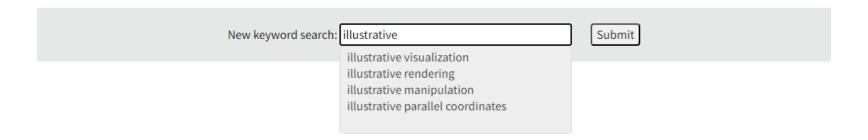
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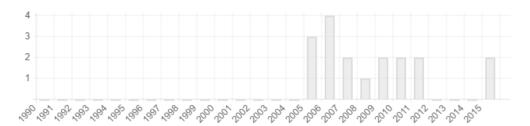
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illustrative visualization

found in 18 papers

co-occured with 50 author keywords

in a topic cluster with 15 author keywords



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InfoVis	2015	Acquired Codes of Meaning in Data Visualization and Infographics: Beyond Perceptual Primitives
SciVis	2015	Occlusion-free Blood Flow Animation with Wall Thickness Visualization
Vis	2011	Interactive Virtual Probing of 4D MRI Blood-Flow
Vis	2011	Hierarchical Event Selection for Video Storyboards with a Case Study on Snooker Video Visualization
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Vis	2009	Volume Illustration of Muscle from Diffusion Tensor Images
Vis	2009	Hue-Preserving Color Blending
Vis	2008	Color Design for Illustrative Visualization
Vis	2007	Enhancing Depth-Perception with Flexible Volumetric Halos
Vis	2007	Semantic Layers for Illustrative Volume Rendering
Vis	2006	Exploded Views for Volume Data
Vis	2006	Feature Aligned Volume Manipulation for Illustration and Visualization
Vis	2006	Importance-Driven Focus of Attention
Vis	2006	Caricaturistic Visualization
Vis	2005	VolumeShop: an interactive system for direct volume illustration
Vis	2005	Visualization in the Einstein Year 2005: a case study on explanatory and illustrative visualization of relativity and
		astrophysics
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illustrative visualization co-occurs with **50** other keywords:

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volume rendering 6x focus+context technique 4x volume visualization 3x flow visualization 2x phase-contrast cine mri 2x probing 2x

3d navigation and exploration 1x 4d mri blood-flow 1x aneurysm 1x animation 1x astrophysics 1x blood flow 1x

characteristic viewpoint estimation 1x color blending 1x color design 1x computer-assisted medical illustration 1x conjoint analysis 1x

dataset traversal 1x design methodologies 1x diffusion tensor imaging 1x direct-touch interaction 1x evaluation 1x

explanatory computer graphics 1x exploded views 1x general relativity 1x gpu computing 1x halos 1x illustrative manipulation 1x

image compositing 1x interacting with volumetric datasets 1x mathematical visualization 1x medical visualization 1x

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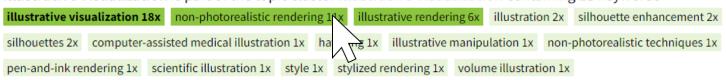
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illustrative visualization is part of the topic cluster Illustrative Visualization containing 15 keywords



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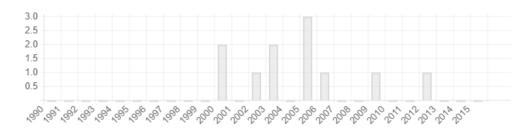
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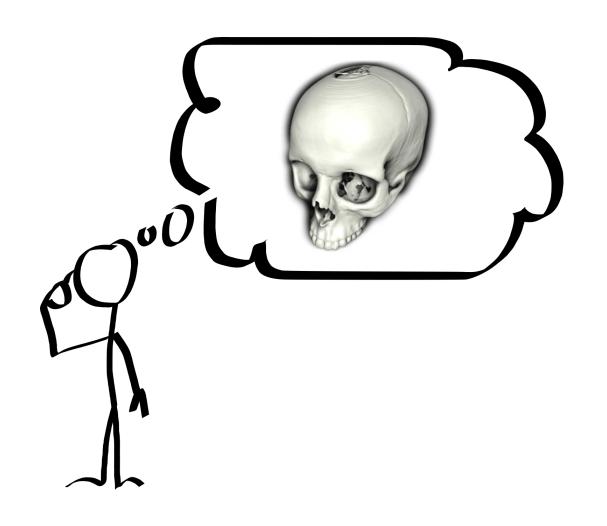


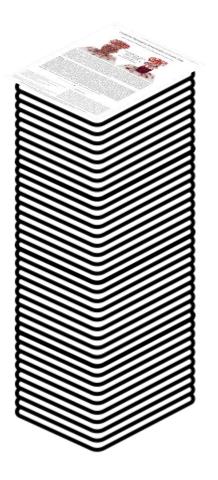
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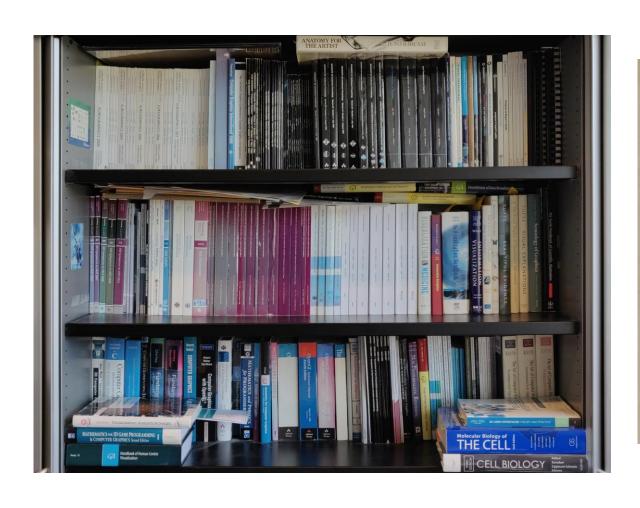
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InfoVis	2012	Sketchy Rendering for Information Visualization
Vis	2009	Multi-Scale Surface Descriptors
Vis	2006	Saliency-guided Enhancement for Volume Visualization
Vis	2005	Illustration and photography inspired visualization of flows and volumes
Vis	2005	Illustration-inspired techniques for visualizing time-varying data

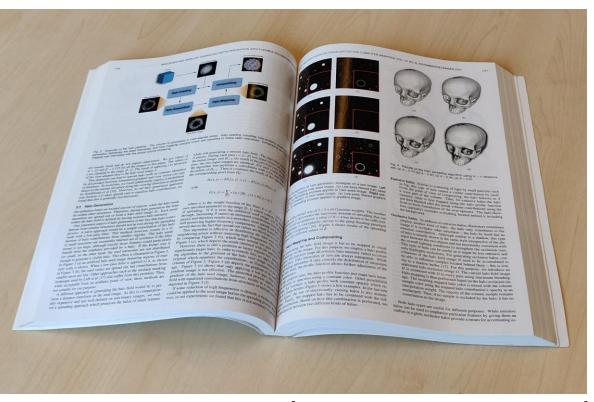
keyvis.org: challenges

- data only up to 2015; regular update?
- even with a regular update
 - classification would need to be re-done for each update
 - clustering would change
 - topics may appear/disappear
 - huge amount of manual work
- raw data not really exported, only web tool
- private/personal initiative to keep it online

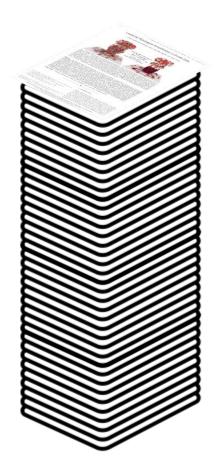




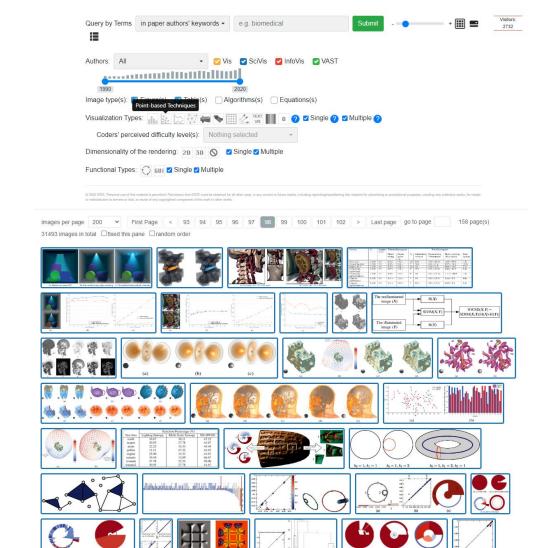




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Fig. 1. Examples for the different uses of halos in medical illustration for emphasis and accentuation. The images are taken from the Medical

data-dependent illumination. Kindlmann et al. [10] employ curvature 3.1 Halo Seeding information to achieve illustrative effects, such as ridge and valley en-

Halos and similar techniques have been used by numerous researchers to enhance depth perception. As an early example, Appel et al. [1] proposed an algorithm for generating haloed lines in 1979. Interrante and Grosch [8] employ halos to improve the visualization of 3D flow. Their approach uses line integral convolution of a texture of slightly enlarged noise spots to compute a halo volume which is then used during ray casting. Wenger et al. [28] use similar techniques for volume rendering of thin thread structures. Rheingans and Ebert [22] present feature halos for scalar volume visualization. Their the original data values. Syakhine and Ebert [26] extend this method for GPU-based volume rendering by computing the halo volume on the graphics hardware. Loviscach [16] presents a GPU-based implementation of halos for polygonal models. Ritter et al. [23] encode spatial distance in halo-like non-photorealistic shadows for the visualization of vascular structures. The approach of Luft et al. [17] is capable of enhancing surface-based images using halos by performing an unsharp masking operation on the depth buffer. Their work is a major inspiration for the approach we present in this paper, although the techniques significantly differ due to the fact that in direct volume rendering halo generation can not be performed as a post-processing step.

In this paper we contribute a new technique for generating a wide variety of halo effects using GPU-based volume rendering. Our approach classifies, generates, and mans volumetric halos on-the-fly and therefore allows flexible control over their appearance. No precomputation is required and all parameters can be modified interacely. We demonstrate that this technique is effective in enhancing depth perception in volumetric data sets without obscuring features

3 GENERATING VOLUMETRIC HALOS

Previous halo-generation approaches for volume rendering have fre quently relied on a pre-processing step which generates a volume of halo contributions. This halo volume is then used during the rendering process to identify halo regions. The problem of this approach is that it does not allow for easy modifications of many parameters. In order to remedy this, our approach determines halo contributions during vo ume rendering. The algorithm operates on view-aligned slices through the volume in front-to-back order. In addition to regular sampling, classification, shading, and compositing, a halo generation pipeline is executed for every slice to process its halo contributions. The pipeline consists of three basic stages and an additional compositing step for blending the halo with the regular volume rendering. Figure 2 illus trates this process. First, regions to emit a halo are identified. We will refer to this step as halo seeding (see Section 3.1). Next, a field of halo intensity values is generated from the seeds by applying a filtering process (see Section 3.2). Finally, the halo intensities are mapped to the actual color and onacity contributions of the halo and combined with the regular volume rendering (see Section 3.3). For simplicity, the following description is only concerned with one halo. Our an proach allows multiple halos, each with its own set of parameters, to

We assume a continuous scalar-valued volumetric function f(P). A sample of this function at point P is denoted by f_P , the gradient vector at P is denoted by ∇f_P . For generating volumetric halos we need to classify which structures should emit halos - we call this process hal seeding. During halo seeding, a seed intensity value is generated for all samples on a view-aligned slice through f. Every point with nonzero halo seed intensity is a seed point. These seed intensity values are used in the subsequent step to derive the halo intensity values for other

As halos are only drawn around the contours of objects, we need to limit our seeds to these regions. In volume rendering, contours can be characterized by the angle between the view vector v and the gradient vector ∇f_B . If these vectors are nearly orthogonal, the sample point is on a contour. Furthermore, the magnitude of the gradient vector $|\nabla f_P|$ can be used for preventing noise in nearly homogeneous regions to produce erroneous halo seeds. Using these two attributes, we can erate effective halo seeds for a given volumetric data set [22]

However, since we also want to generate localized halos which are only emitted by certain structures, we introduce a halo transfer func tion h(P). The halo transfer function consists of several separable scalar-valued functions in the range [0..1]. Our approach currently to include, for instance, segmentation information, if available:

value at the sample point. It is useful, for example, for generat ing localized halos by limiting their influence to a certain value

plane. It allows for directionally varying halos.

Positional influence function $h_p(P)$. This function is based on the distance of the sample point to a user-defined focus point to allow easy generation of localized halos for regions which cannot be identified solely using the data value.

these components [11]:

$$h(P) = h_v(P) h_d(P) h_n(P)$$

The halo transfer function defines a basic seed intensity at a sample position P. This value is then combined with the gradient magnitude and the dot product between view vector and the normalized gradient vector to form the final seed intensity s(P):

$$s(P) = h(P) |\nabla f_P|^{\alpha} (1 - \nabla f_P \cdot v)^{\beta}$$

where α and β are used to control the influence of the gradient magnitude and the dot product, respectively. For halos these values

supports three different components, but this could be easily extended

Value influence function $h_n(P)$. This function is based on the data

Directional influence function $h_d(P)$. This function is based on the direction of the eye-space normal, i.e., the angle between the projected gradient vector and the positive vertical axis of the image

The halo transfer function is then simply defined as the product of

$$n(P) = n_v(P) n_d(P) n_p(P)$$

$$(P) = h(P) |\nabla f_P|^{\alpha} (1 - \nabla f_P \cdot v)^{\beta}$$

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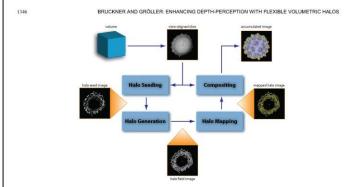


Fig. 2. Overview of the halo pipeline. The volume is processed in view-aligned slices. Halo seeding classifies halo-emitting structures, halo generation distributes the seed intensities, and halo mapping assigns colors and opacities to these seed intensities. Compositing combines the mapped halo intensities with the actual volume rendering.

s are clamped to the range [0..1]. The result of applying s to all pixels of the view-aliened slice is the halo seed image S.

This definition can lead to uneven halo seeds as contours identified by dot product between normalized gradient and view vector can vary in thickness. To avoid this, we could additionally employ a modulation ased on the normal curvature along the viewing direction as proposed by Kindlmann et al [10]. However, as our halo generation approach (see Section 3.2) takes special care to equalize halo contributions, we found that this is generally not necessary.

3.2 Halo Generation

Per definition halos are located outside of objects, while the halo seeds lie within other structures. Therefore, during halo generation the seed intensities are spread out to form a halo field image H. Each point within the halo field is defined by having nonzero halo intensity.

One important aspect of halo generation is the fact that halo contributions from smaller structures should not be lost during the spreading process. A naive approach would be a simple convolution of the halo seeds with a low-pass filter. This method, however, results in a reduction of halo contributions from smaller regions. The halo seeds of small structures are essentially blurred out of existence if the filter kernel is too large, although exactly those features could particularly benefit from the emphasis provided by a halo. If the kernel size is too small, on the other hand, the seed intensities are not distributed enough to generate a visible halo. This effect is illustrated in Figure 3. In Figure 3 (a) an artificial halo seed image featuring regions of multiple scale is shown. When a low-pass filter is applied to it, as shown in Figure 3 (b), the seed values are spread out, but contributions from smaller areas are lost. Other approaches such as the unsharp masking technique used by Luft et al. [17] also suffer from this problem. Thus, while acceptable from an aesthetic point of view, these methods are not suitable for our purpose.

A different approach to generating the halo field would be to perform a distance transform on the seed image. As this is computation-

are usually fixed and do not require adjustment. We use values of while still generating a smooth halo field. The algorithm executes in $\alpha = 32$ and $\beta = 0.125$ for all the images in this paper. The values of N passes. During each pass $i \in [1..N]$ two input images are used: H_0 . the initial image, and H_{l-1} , the result of the previous pass. For the first pass, the two input images are identical. For each output pixel (x, y), the algorithm first performs a convolution with a low-pass filter over the pixels of H_{l-1} . Then it combines the result of this operation with the corresponding pixel from H_0 :

 $H_i(x,y) = \delta F_i(x,y) + (1 - \delta F_i(x,y)) H_0(x,y)$

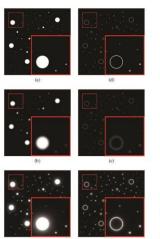
$$F_l(x,y) = \sum w(u,v)H_{l-1}(x+ku,y+kv)$$

where w is the weight function of the filter, $k = 2^{N-i}$, and δ is a user-specified parameter in the range [0..1] which controls the amount of spreading. If δ is zero the unfiltered seed image will be passed through. Increasing δ causes an increased contribution from previous passes and therefore results in a smoother, more spread-out halo while still preserving higher frequency components. Small features are preserved due to the fact that spread out values are filled up in every pass.

This algorithm is effective in distributing the halo seed values to eighboring pixels without removing high frequencies. This is visible by comparing Figure 3 (b), which uses normal low-pass filtering to

Figure 3 (c), which depicts the result obtained with our approach. However, there is still a problem as larger regions now generate a significantly larger halo. In order to remedy this, we apply the spreading algorithm to the gradient of the halo seed image instead of the original which equalizes the contributions, as illustrated in the right column of Figure 3. Figure 3 (d) depicts the gradient of the seed image. Figure 3 (e) shows that only applying a low-pass filter to the gradient image is not effective. The presented process applied to the gradient of the halo seed image, however, results in a smooth halo field with equalized contributions from structures of multiple scale, as

If some reduction of high frequencies is desired, a median filtering ally expensive and not well-defined on non-binary images, we realize a spreading approach which preserves the halos of small features ever, in our experiments we found that this is not necessary in general. Authorized licensed use limited to: INRIA. Downloaded on June 11,2023 at 20:02:45 UTC from IEEE Xplore. Restrictions apply.



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Fig. 3. Comparison of halo generation strategies on a test image. Left column: (a) Original halo seed image. (b) Low-pass filtered halo seed image. (c) Spreading process applied to halo seed image. Right colmn: (d) Gradient of halo seed image. (e) Low-pass filtered gradient image. (f) Spreading process applied to gradient image.

We use a filter kernel size of 3 × 3 with Gaussian weights. The number of iterations N determines the maximum amount of spreading that can occur – for all our purposes a value of N=4 has shown to be sufficient. This algorithm is conceptually similar to the jump flooding paradigm for parallel computing [24]. Figure 4 shows results of the spreading

3.3 Halo Mapping and Compositing

After generating the halo field image it has to be mapped to visual contributions in the image. For this purpose we employ a halo profile function: this function maps all nonzero halo intensity values to colors and opacities. Halo intensities of zero are always transparent. While the spreading parameter δ only controls the distribution of intensities in the halo field, the profile function allows further adjustment of the

In the simplest case, the halo profile function just maps halo intensities directly to opacities using a constant color. Other possibilities nclude, for instance, a halo profile with constant opacity which results in a sharn border. Figure 5 shows a few examples. In the last row of this figure, the use of directionally varying halos is also demonstrated. Finally, the mapped halo has to be combined with the vol ume's contribution. Based on how this combination is performed, we can distinguish between two different kinds of halos:

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Emissive halos. Similar to scattering of light by small particles such as fog, this type of halo causes a visible contribution by itself. From the point of view of compositing, the halo behaves as if it were part of the volume. Thus, for emissive halos the halo intensity value is first mapped using the halo profile function and then blended after the actual volume contributions using the front-to-back formulation of the over-operator. The halo therefore (partially) occludes everything located behind it including

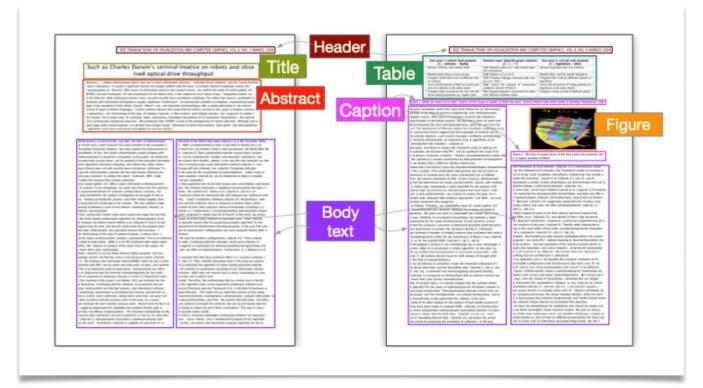
Occlusive halos. In addition to emissive halos, illustrators sometimes employ another kind of halo: the halo only contributes to the image if it occludes other structures - the halo by itself has no emissive contribution. Although similar to a shadow, this type of halo is usually drawn in the same style irrespective of the distance between the two objects and not necessarily consistent with the overall lighting conditions to strengthen the occlusion cues. This type of halo can be useful as it might be less intrusive and only highlights occlusions. For generating occlusive halos, contributions of the halo field image H need to be accumulated to be able to influence samples located behind them - this is similar to a shadow buffer [12]. For this purpose, we introduce an additional halo occlusion image O. The current halo field image H is combined with O in every pass using maximum blending Halo mapping is then performed based on the halo occlusion image. The resulting mapped halo color is mixed with the volume sample color using the mapped halo contribution's opacity as an interpolation weight. The opacity of the volume sample remains unchanged. Thus, if no sample is occluded by the halo, it has no contribution to the image.

Both halo types are useful for different purposes. While emissive halos can be used to emphasize particular features by giving them an outline or a glow, occlusive halos provide a means for accentuating oc-

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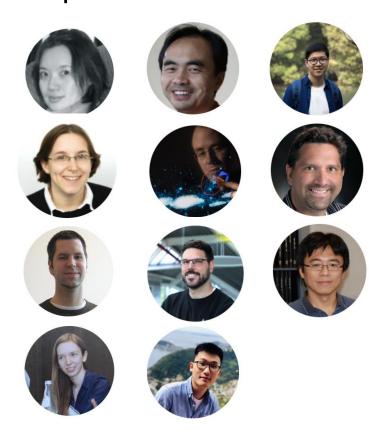
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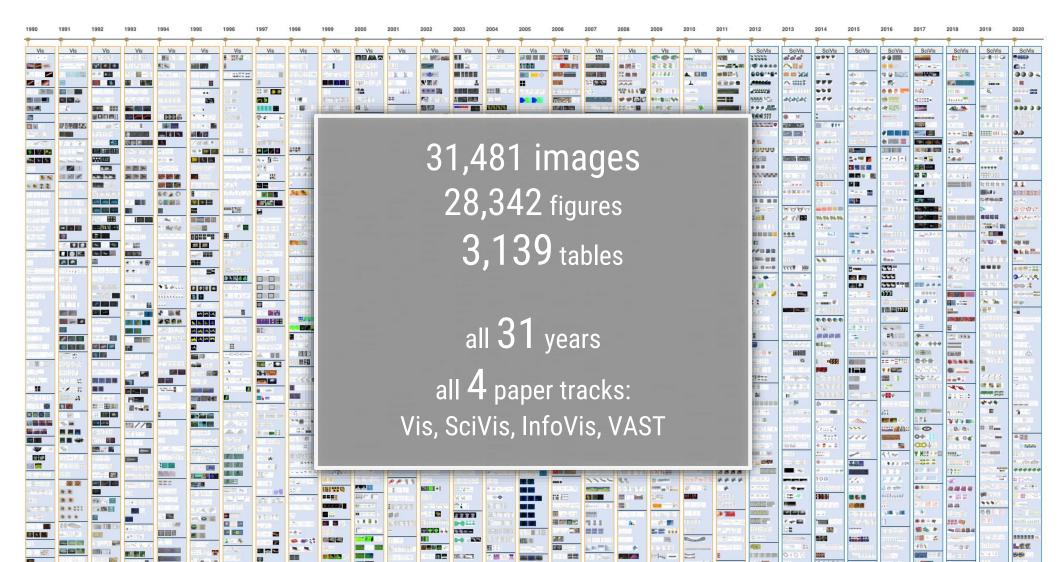


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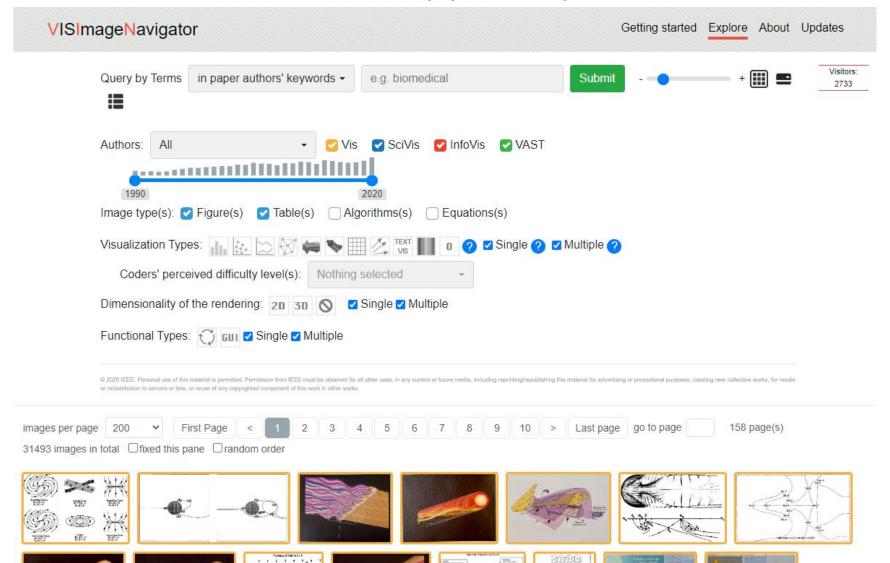


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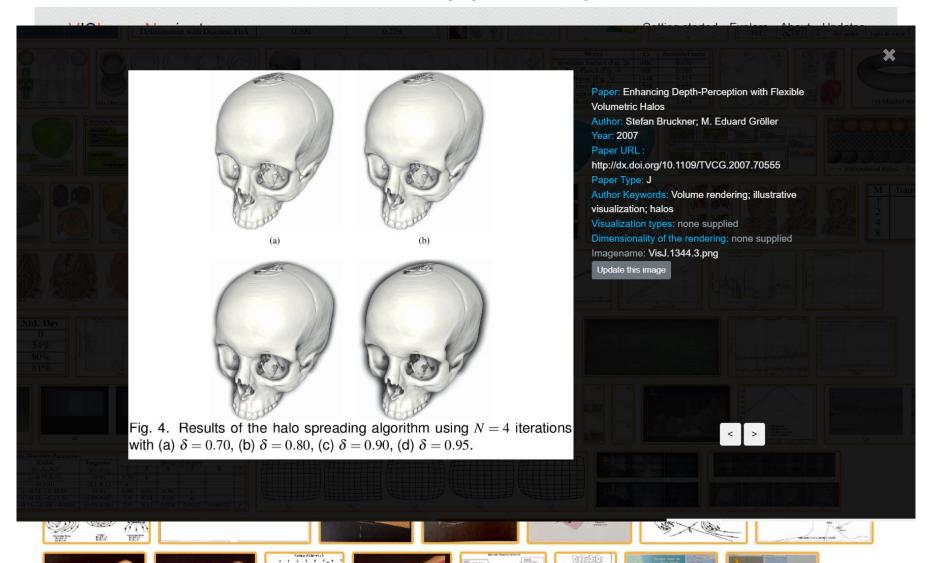
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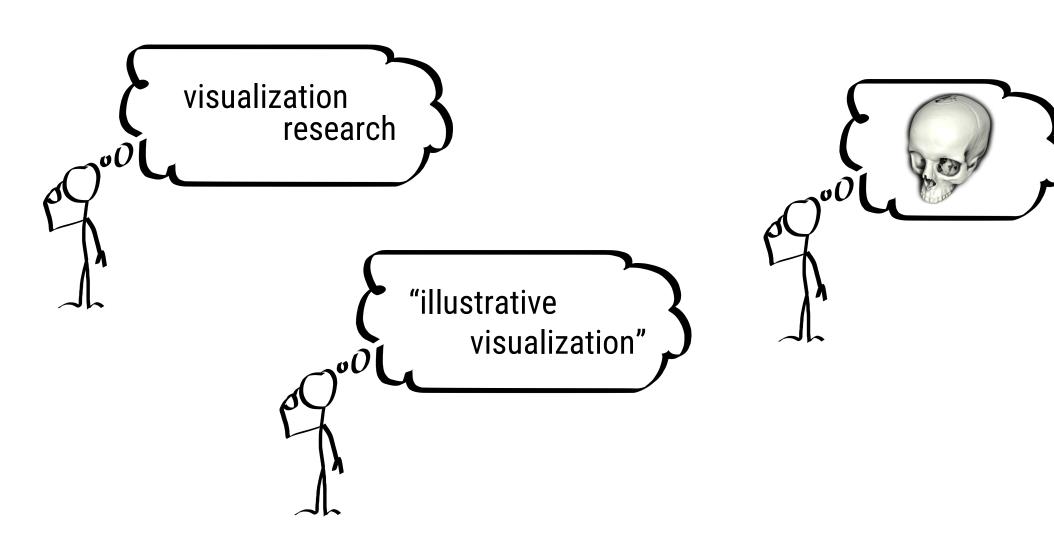
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State of the Art of Molecular Visualization in Immersive Virtual Environments

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Figure 1: For this state-of-the-art report, we surveyed the literature for papers focusing on molecular visualization in immersive environments. Many of them explore educational use cases (**@) or collaborative environments (**@). We also report on various enabling technologies, such as head-mounted displays (**@) or augmented/mixed reality (**@). Furthermore, we also report on papers tackling interaction techniques (**@) or providing solutions over the web (**@). Image sources: (GJB*20: MB21: RFK*21: OBD*19: CSR*20 (permission for re-use obtained).

Abstract

Visualization plays a crucial role in molecular and structural biology. It has been successfully applied to a variety of tasks, including structural analysis and interactive drug design. While some of the challenges in this area can be overcome with more advanced visualization and interaction rechniques, others are challenging primarily due to the limitations of the handware devices used to interact with the visualization researchers are increasingly trying to take advantage of more technologies to facilitate the work of domain scientists. Some typical problems associated with classic 2D interfaces, such as regular desktop computers, are a lack of natural spatial understanding and interaction, and a limited field of view. These problems could be solved by immerise view trutual environments in the field of molecular visualization. There is already a body of yoor kranging from detactional approaches to protein visualization to applications for collaborative drug design. This review focuses on molecular visualization in immersive virtual environments as whole, aiming to cover this area comprehensively. We divide the existing papers into different groups based on their application areas, and types of substanced for the property of the property of

CCS Concepts

Computing methodologies → Virtual reality; • Human-centered computing → Scientific visualization; • Applied computing → Molecular structural biology;

1. Introductio

The significant benefits of virtual environments for the visualization of scientific data have been established decades ago [Bry93; Haa96; vDFL*00; LSSB12; MGK*13]. Yet only relatively recent technological advancements—partially driven by the video game industry [LTD*13]—have led to an increase in the widespread availability of affordable immersive hardware, especially in the form of head-mounted (sleplays (HIMDs) [Mor 16]. This development, in turn, has led to the establishment of the subfield of Immersive Analytics [DM*18; FP21] within visualization research. As part of this work, research has been carried out and tools have been developed that

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Many of them explore educational use cases (📵) or collaborative environments (👺). We also report on various enabling technologies, such as head-mounted displays (📼) or augmented/mixed reality (🚉). Furthermore, we also report on papers tackling interaction techniques 💰) or providing solutions over the web (). Image sources: [GJB*20; MB21; RFK*21; OBD*19; CSR*20] (permission for re-use obtained).

Visualization plays a crucial role in molecular and structural biology. It has been successfully applied to a variety of tasks, including structural analysis and interactive drug design. While some of the challenges in this area can be overcome with more advanced visualization and interaction techniques, others are challenging primarily due to the limitations of the hardware devices used to interact with the visualized content. Consequently, visualization researchers are increasingly trying to take advantage of new technologies to facilitate the work of domain scientists. Some typical problems associated with classic 2D interfaces, such as regular desktop computers, are a lack of natural spatial understanding and interaction, and a limited field of view. These problems could be solved by immersive virtual environments and corresponding hardware, such as virtual reality head-mounted displays. Thus, researchers are investigating the potential of immersive virtual environments in the field of molecular visualization. There is already a body of work ranging from educational approaches to protein visualization to applications for collaborative drug design. This review focuses on molecular visualization in immersive virtual environments as a whole, aiming to cover this area comprehensively. We divide the existing papers into different groups based on their application areas, and types of tasks performed. Further, we also include a list of available software tools. We conclude the report with a discussion of potential future research on molecular visualization in immersive environments.

 Computing methodologies → Virtual reality;
 Human-centered computing → Scientific visualization;
 Applied computing → Molecular structural biology;

The significant benefits of virtual environments for the visualization of scientific data have been established decades ago [Bry93; Haa96: vDFL*00: LSSB12: MGK*131. Yet only relatively recent technological advancements-partially driven by the video game

industry [LTD*13]-have led to an increase in the widespread availability of affordable immersive hardware, especially in the form of head-mounted displays (HMDs) [Mor16]. This development, in turn, has led to the establishment of the subfield of Immersive Analytics [DMI*18; FP21] within visualization research. As part of this work, research has been carried out and tools have been developed that

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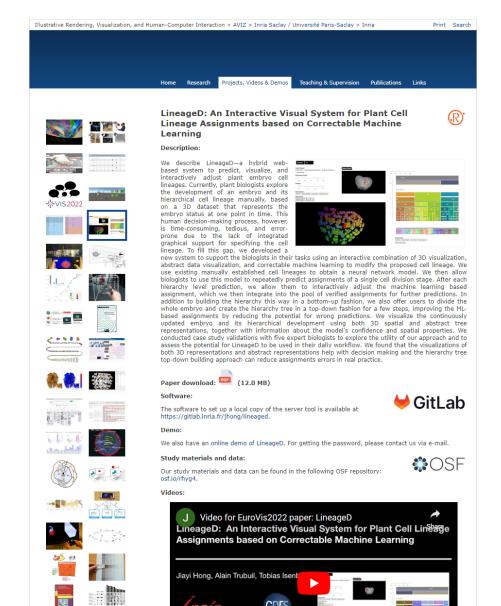
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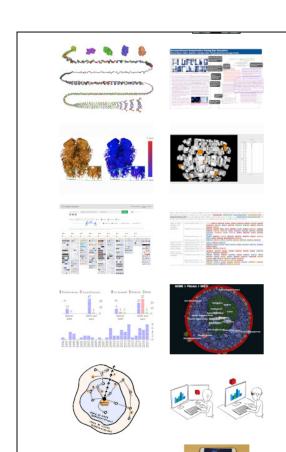
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Software:



The software to set up a local copy of the server tool is available at https://gitlab.inria.fr/jhong/lineaged.

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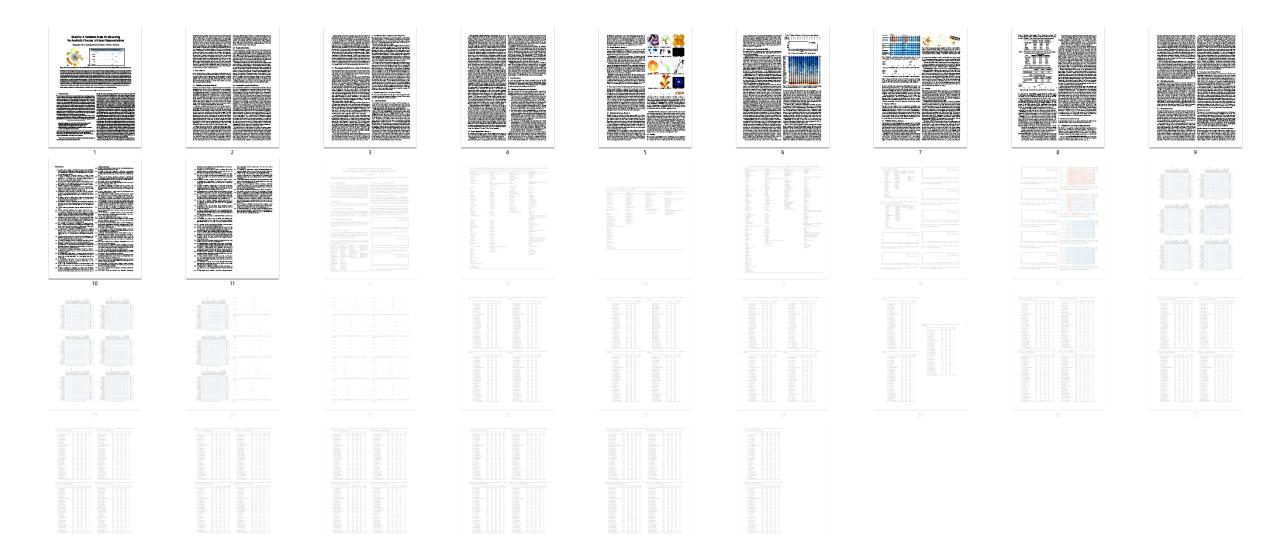


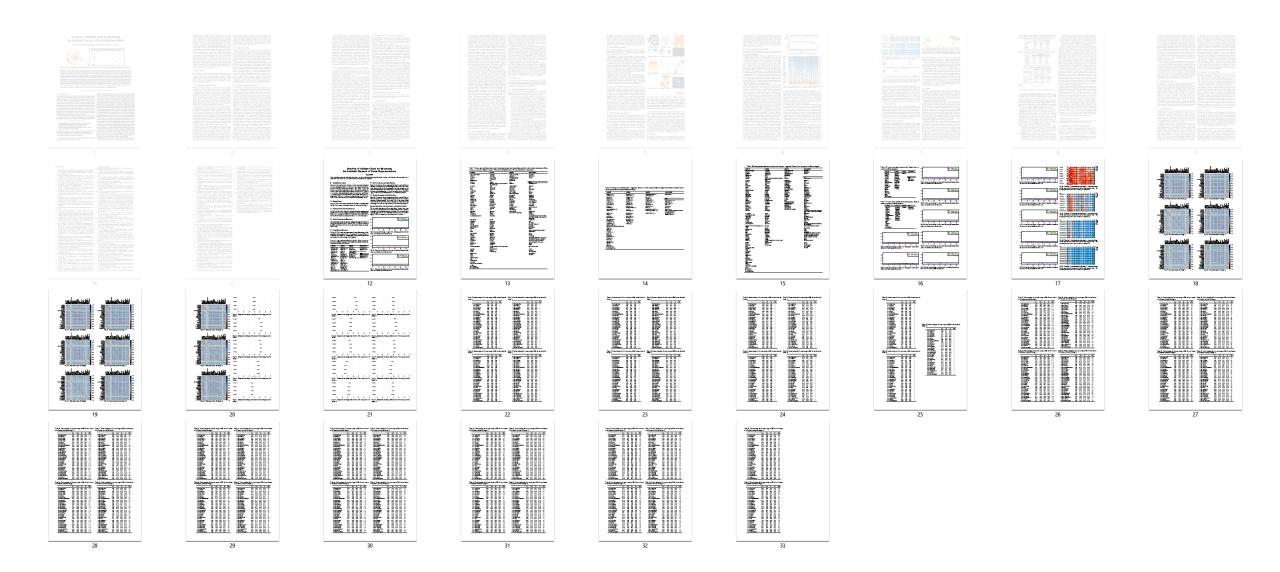
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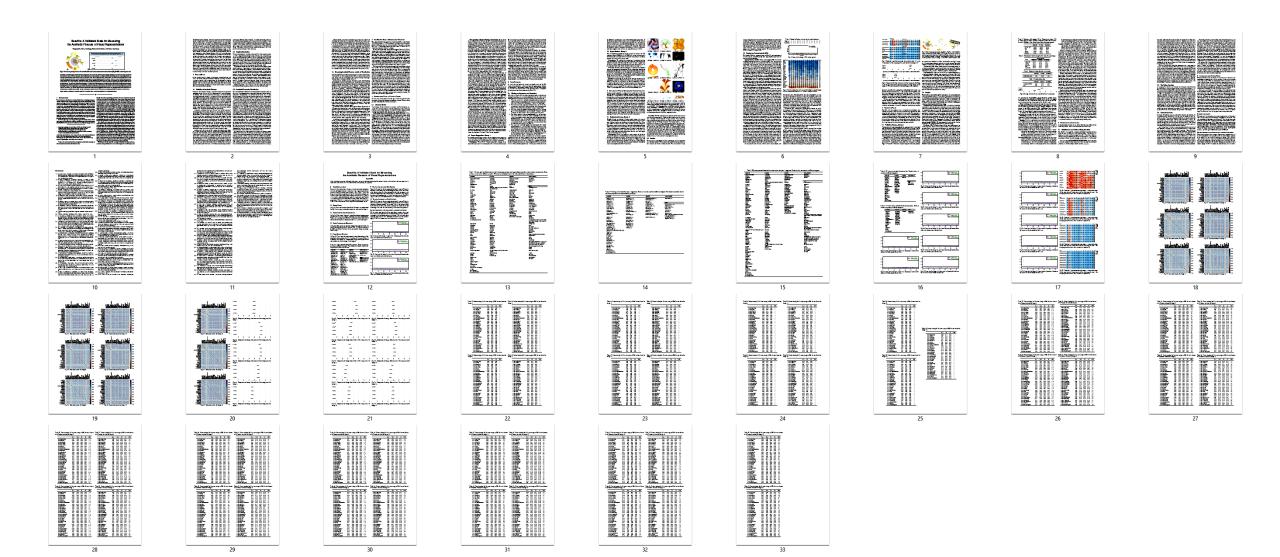
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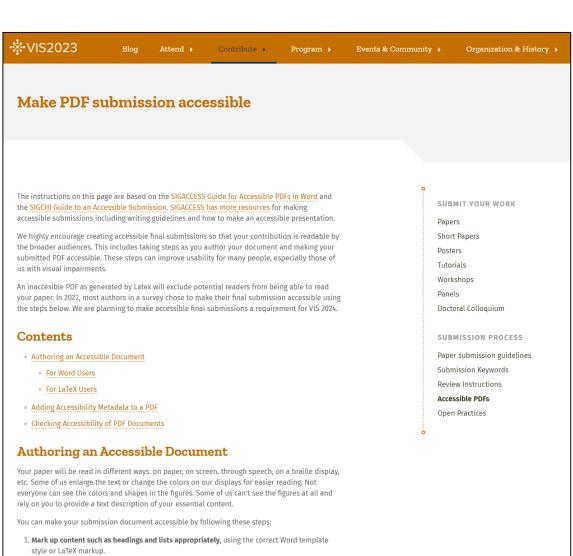


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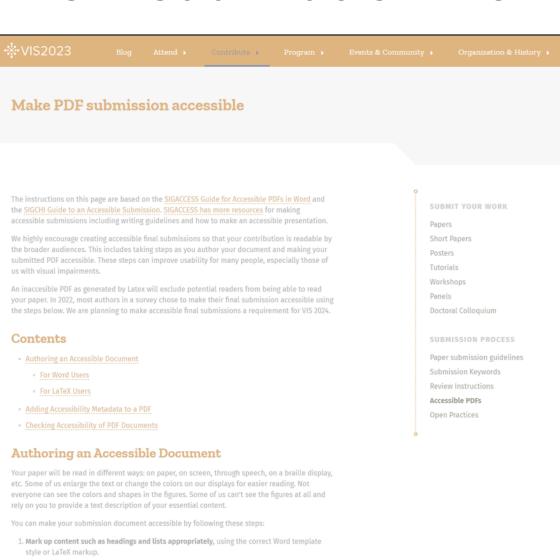




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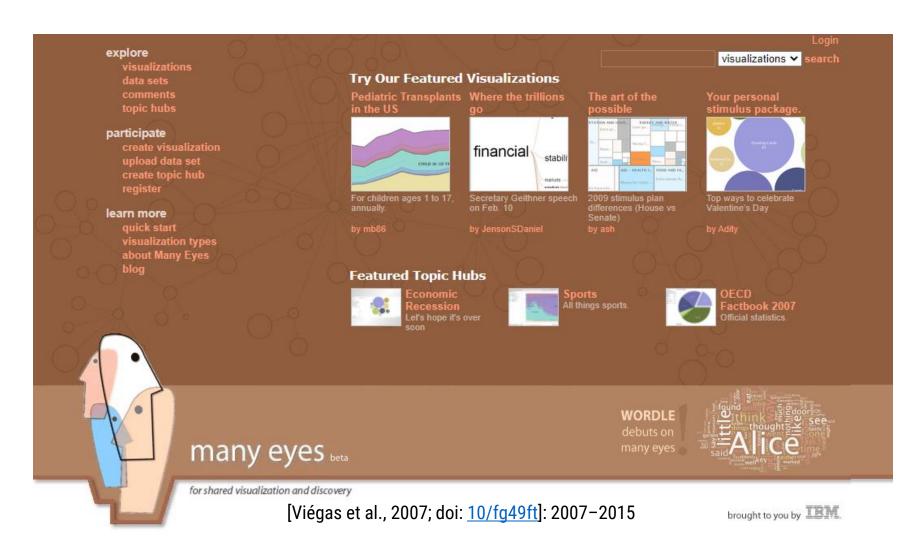
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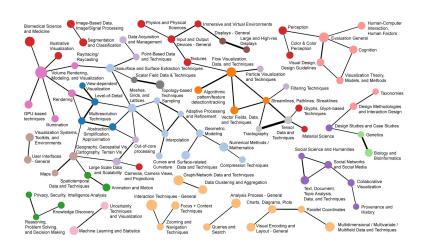
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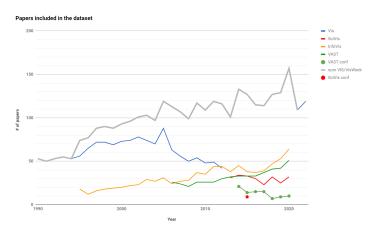


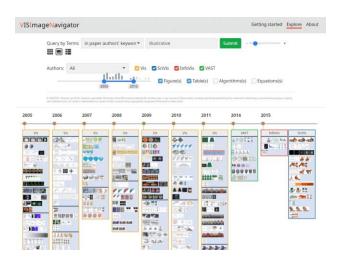
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- some tasks could be pushed to publisher or community
- personal initiative can make a difference
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