Visualizing the Long-term Behavior of 3D Fluid Flows

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Introduction

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Fluid Flows





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Multiple points-of-view



- Local
 - Turbulence
 - Shock waves
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- Semi-global
 - Transport phenomena
 - Particle trajectories
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- Global
 - VFT & LCS
 - Ensemble analysis

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Helgeland et al. '04

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Integral structures





Challenges



- Selection / Placement of seeding curves
- Cluttering and occlusion
- Amount of information conveyed
- Quantification of flow properties



Projects





Seeding(a)(b) Visibility(b)(c) Quantification(b)(c)

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Seeding...(a). Visibility. Expressiveness...(a). (C) Quantification.(b)(c)

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Integral Surface Placement

- THE REPAIR
- How can we define a proper seeding structure?
 - Use a line segment -> 6 degrees of freedom
 - Use an arbitrary curve -> ... a lot
 - Seed multiple surfaces -> even more!



• Goal: define a semi-automatic seeding strategy s.t.:

- Handle multiple surfaces
- Captures the most prominent aspects of the flow
- Each surface capture a single aspect of the flow

Multiple Aspects of a Flow





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Placement Pipeline







Dissimilarity and MDS



- Dissimilarity given by the Hausdorff distance
 - Expensive, so compute it on the GPU
 - Other dissimilarity measures can be used



- Multi Dimensional Scaling: embed points in R^N according to their reciprocal similarity
- Computed on the GPU using CFMDS (Park et al '12)

Derivatives and Seeding



• Each point P = (u, v) is mapped by the MDS to a point $X = (x_0, x_1, ..., x_N)$ in the embedding space



- The derivative J = dX / dP is a Nx2 matrix
- We compute the eigendecomposition of $J^T J$
- Eigenvectors are the directions of max/min similarity
- We use tensor lines of the min eigenvector field as seeding curves

Results





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Integral Surface Analysis

- NVERSIA PS BEFREE GEN
- We want to investigate the long-term flow behavior
- We adopted (families of) integral surfaces as a tool



• Now we aim at easing their analysis

Integral Surface Analysis



- Surfaces can have intricate shapes
 - Analysis of one surface at a time
 - Extensive user interaction / manipulation
 - Flow properties not easily conveyed
- We take advantage of surface reformation
- Ad-hoc visualizations in the reformed space



Surface Reformation



- As-Rigid-As-Possible flattening (Liu et al. '08)
- Maps surface points $\mathbf{X} = (x, y, z)$ to points $\mathbf{P} = (u, v)$ in the 2D reformed space
- The original shape should be still conveyed!



- Compute the matrix **J** = d**X** / d**P**
- Compute the eigendecomposition of $J^T J$

Flow Attributes on Surfaces

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 $\mathbf{S}\psi = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}^{T})\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n}\mathbf{n}^{T})^{T}$

 $\mathbf{S}_2 = \mathbf{J}^{-1} \mathbf{S}_{\psi} \mathbf{J}$

- Scalar attributes can be directly mapped to colors
- Vectors and tensors needs to:
 - be projected on the surface
 - take flattening into account



• Size <-> $\| S_{\psi} \|$ Color <-> $\| S_{\psi} \| / \| S \|$

Families of Time Surfaces





Families of Time Surfaces





- Alignment by least square optimization
- Color & transparency depending on scalar attribute

Multiple Surface Families







Multiple Surface Families





Multiple Surface Families











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Seeding(a) Visibility(b) ... Expressiveness ...(a)(c) Quantification(b) ...(c)

Application Scenarios





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Sankey Diagrams

- Representation of a weighted graph
- Width proportional to the flow quantity





Putting Things together





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Spatial Structure





Charles Joseph Minard, Tableaux Graphiques et Cartes Figuratives de M. Minard, 1845-1869, a portfolio of his work held by the Bibliothèque de l'École Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées, Paris.

Final Remarks

- Analyzing the long-term behavior of fluid flows is challenging
- We have made the task easier, wrt Seeding, Visibility, Expressiveness, Quantification
- There is still a lot to do!
 - Single approach that solves all the issues
 - Integration of different analysis tools
 - Multiple spatial scales
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