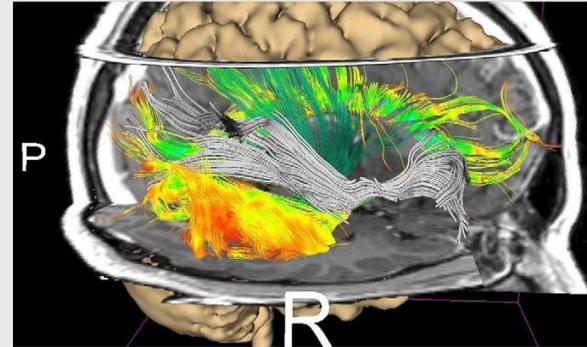
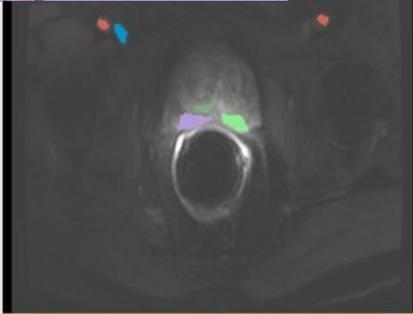
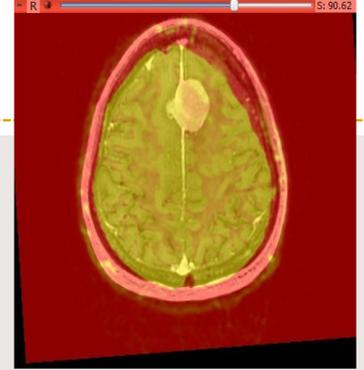
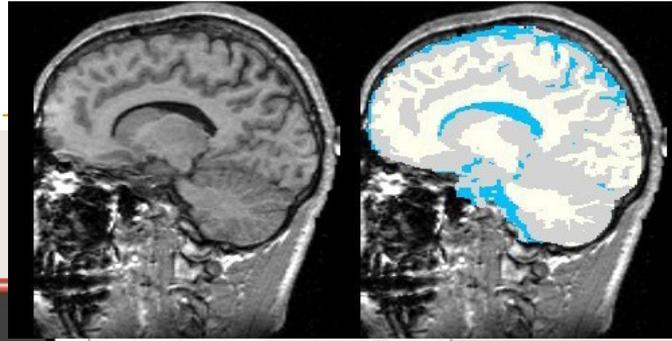
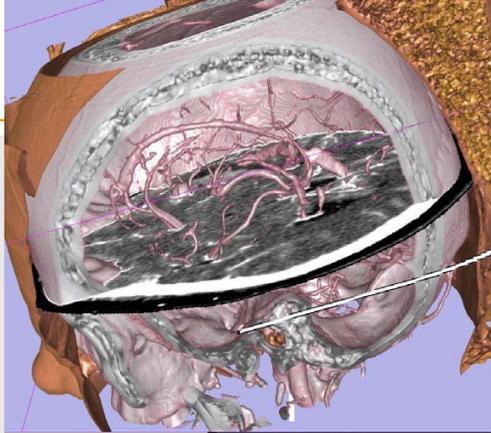


# The Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit



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# Course Description



The **Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit** ([www.itk.org](http://www.itk.org)) has become a standard in academia and industry for medical image analysis. In recent years, the ITK developers' community has focused on providing programming interfaces to ITK from **Python, Java, and Javascript** and making ITK available via leading applications such as **Slicer and ImageJ**. In this course we present **best practices** for taking advantage of ITK in **your imaging research** and **commercial products**. Via **interactive** examples that attendees can run on their laptops during the course, we show how ITK can speed research and commercial product development. We demonstrate how script writing and interactive GUIs can be used to access the algorithms in ITK and the multitude of ITK extensions that are freely available on the web. We also cover the **opportunities and challenges** with using open source software in research and in commercial applications: from prototypes that can lead to **venture capital funding** to applications for first in human trials and ultimately for **regulatory approval**.

# ITK by the Numbers (WHAT?)



- **Public Investment ----- >\$18 Million**
- **March 2000 ----- First code check-in**
- **33 ----- # of supported platforms each night**
- **2455 ----- tests run nightly**
- **1,880 ----- # of C++ classes**
- **13,184 ----- # of files with code**
- **2.5 Million lines ----- # of LOC (1.2 Million ITK proper)**
- **84.7% ----- Testing code coverage**
- **209 ----- Unique developers contributing**
- **326 ----- Avg. # of mailing list messages/month**
- **764 ----- Pages in ITK Software Guide**
- **5003 ----- Source Code Download/month**

# What are we doing here?



- **Why does ITK exist?**
  - life before ITK was sad, lonely, and often futile
  - To provide advantages over alternatives
- **Where are we going**
  - itk, dockers, Slicer, ImageJ, & commercial apps
- **Algorithms Available**
  - breadth of algorithms, and many API's to use
- **Example Applications**
  - breadth of uses

# ITK Sponsors (WHO?)



**NATIONAL  
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**The National  
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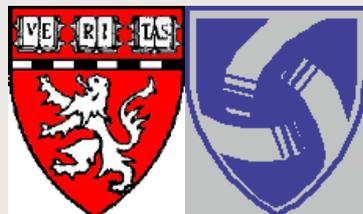


**The National Institute of Neurological  
Disorders and Stroke**

**National Eye Institute**



# ITK Developers (HOW?/WHERE?)



# What is ITK



- ✓ Image Processing
- ✓ Segmentation
- ✓ Registration
- ✗ No Graphical User Interface (GUI)
- ✗ No Visualization

# How to Integrate ITK in your application

C++ Glue Code

**ITK**

**Image  
Processing**

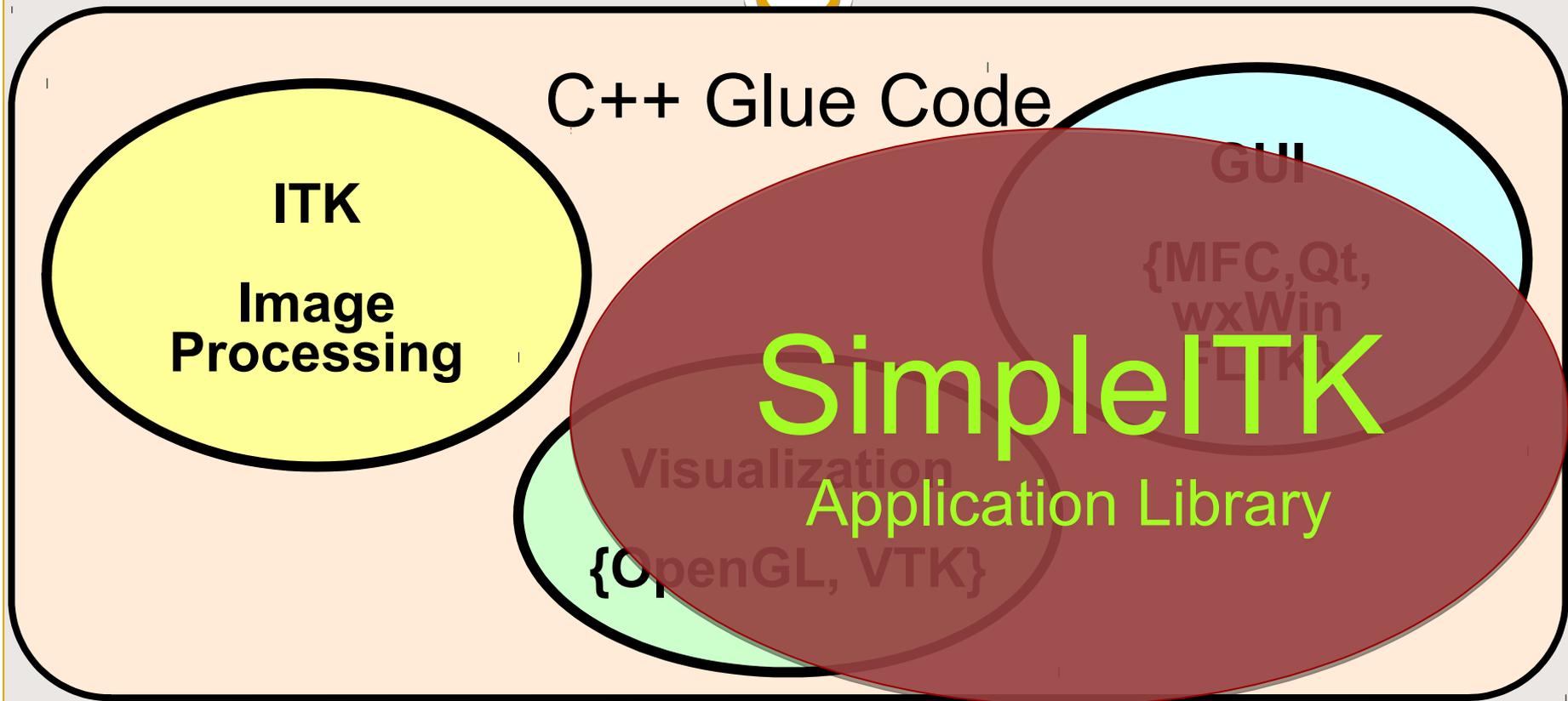
**GUI**

**{Qt, MFC,  
wxWin  
FLTK}**

**Visualization**

**{OpenGL, VTK}**

# How to Integrate ITK in your application



## Step 12. How to find what you need



<http://www.itk.org/ItkSoftwareGuide.pdf>

<http://www.itk.org/Doxygen/html/index.html>

- Follow the link [Alphabetical List](#)
- Follow the link [Groups](#)
- Post to the [insight-users](#) mailing list

# Step 0 – Don't panic!



- There is *substantial* documentation on everything we are going to present today, and vastly more about things that we will never cover in this course
- <http://www.itk.org/ITK/help/documentation.html>
- Download a copy of the *ITK Software Guide*



# Why all this effort?



- There are many packages that do multi-dimensional signal analysis (i.e. image processing/computer vision)
- What problem domain benefits from these efforts?
  - ITK algorithm implementations are particularly well suited for “Medical Image Analysis”

# Why Is *Medical* Image Analysis Special?



- Because of the *patient*
- Computer Vision:
  - Good at detecting irregulars, e.g. on the factory floor
  - But no two patients are alike—everyone is “irregular”



# Why Is *Medical* Image Analysis Special?



- Because of the *patient*
- Medicine is war ... collaboration is key to success
  - Radiology is primarily for reconnaissance
  - Surgeons are the marines (knife's edge, frontal attack)
  - Life/death decisions are made on insufficient information

# Why Is *Medical* Image Analysis Special?

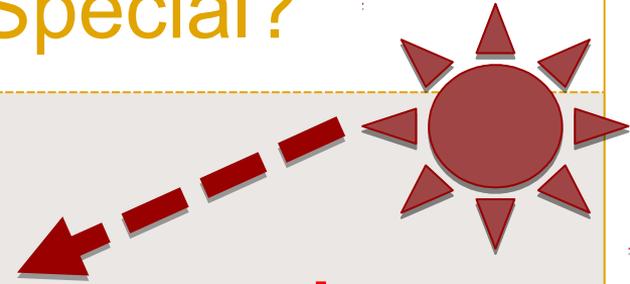


- Because of the *patient*

- You're not in "*theory land*" anymore!

- In addition to "the math" working, the implementation also needs to be *accessible* and produce *useful* results.

- Success measured by patient recovery/health (often not quantifiable)



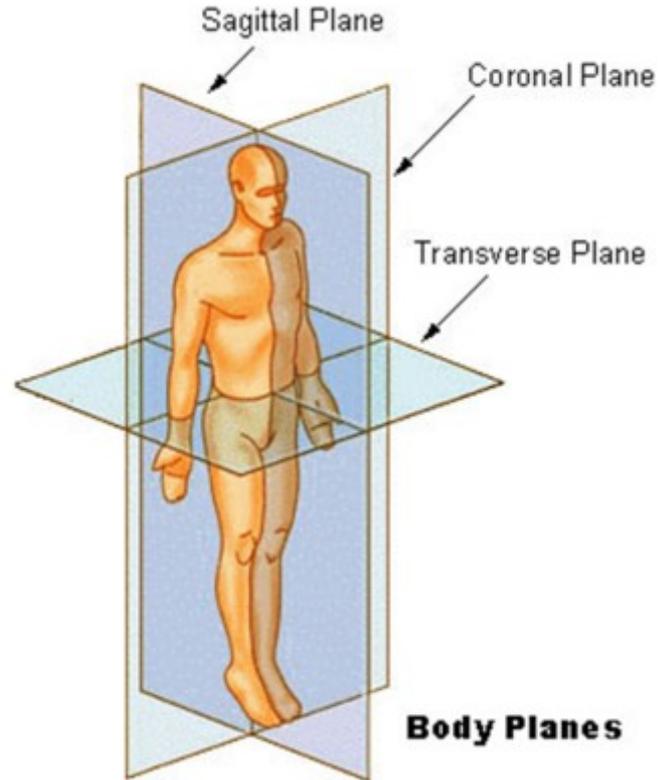
# What Do I Mean by *Analysis*?



- Different from “Image Processing”
- Results in identification, measurement, &/or judgment
- Produces **numbers**, **words**, & **actions**
- Holy Grail: *complete image understanding* automated within a computer to perform diagnosis & control robotic intervention
- State of the art: segmentation & registration

# Anatomical Axes

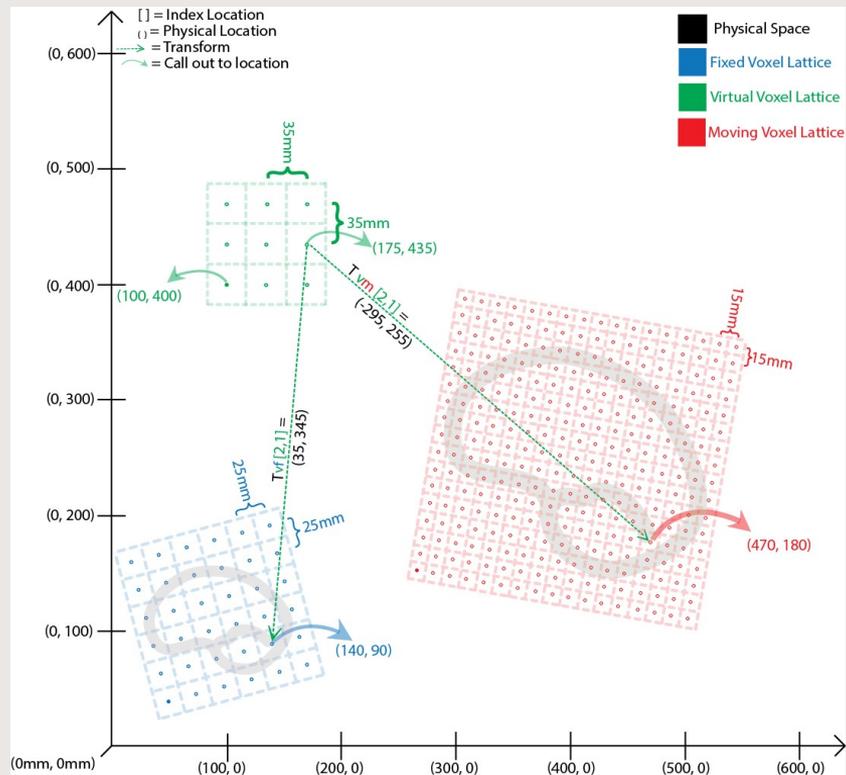
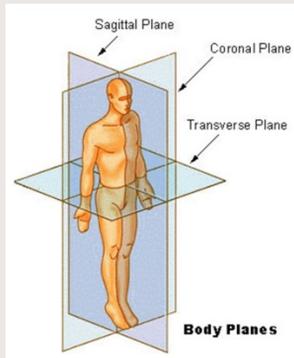
- Biological organisms are not constrained to [slices][columns][rows]
  - Superior = head
  - Inferior = feet
  
  - Anterior = front
  - Posterior = back
  
  - Proximal = central
  - Distal = peripheral



# Registration



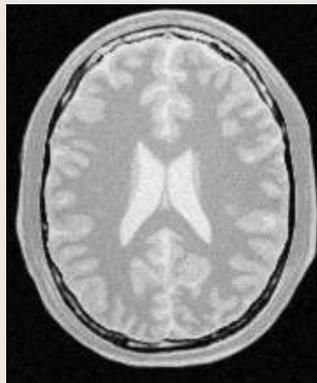
- Image to Image
  - same vs. different imaging modality
  - same vs. different patient
  - topological variation
- Image to Model
  - deformable models
- Model to Model
  - matching graphs



# Segmentation



- Labeling every voxel
- Discrete vs. fuzzy
- How good are such labels?
  - Gray matter (ProcessingUnits) vs. white matter (interconnecting wires).
  - Tremendous oversimplification
- Requires a model



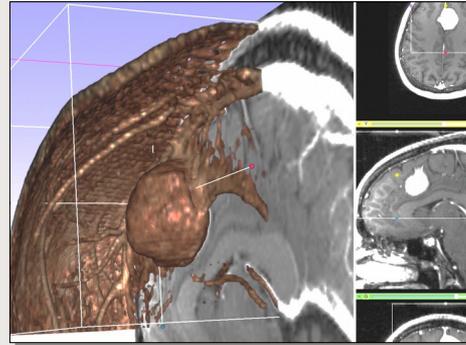
# What is Needed Medical Image Analysis

<http://wiki.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Documentation/Nightly/Modules/RobustStatisticsSegmenter>

The extraction of information and knowledge from medical images using computational methods

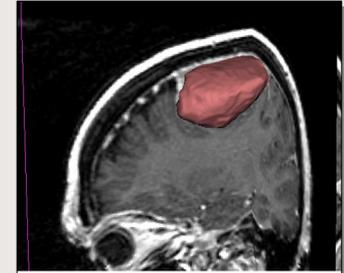
## Technologies:

- image segmentation
- image registration
- image-based physiological modeling
- visualization

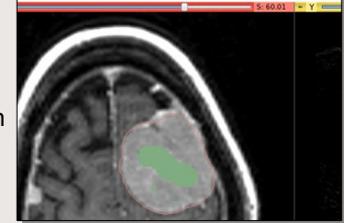


Volume rendering

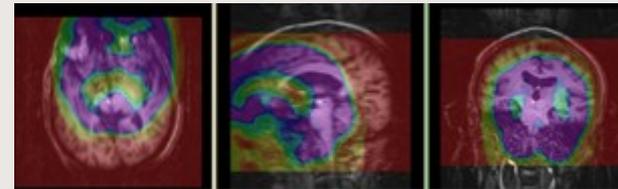
result



initialization



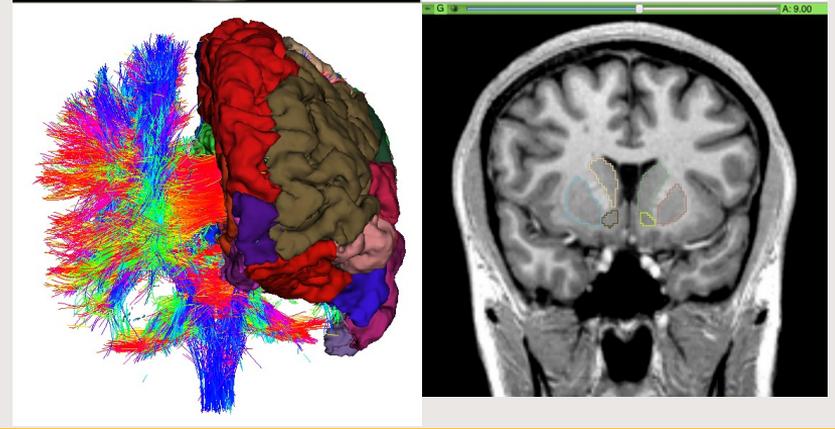
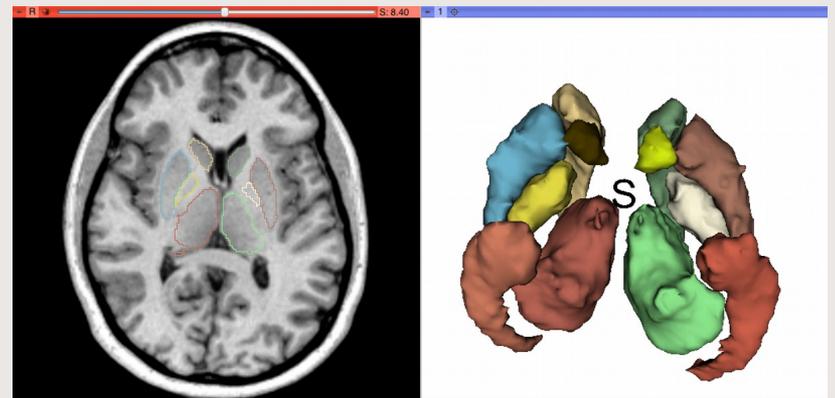
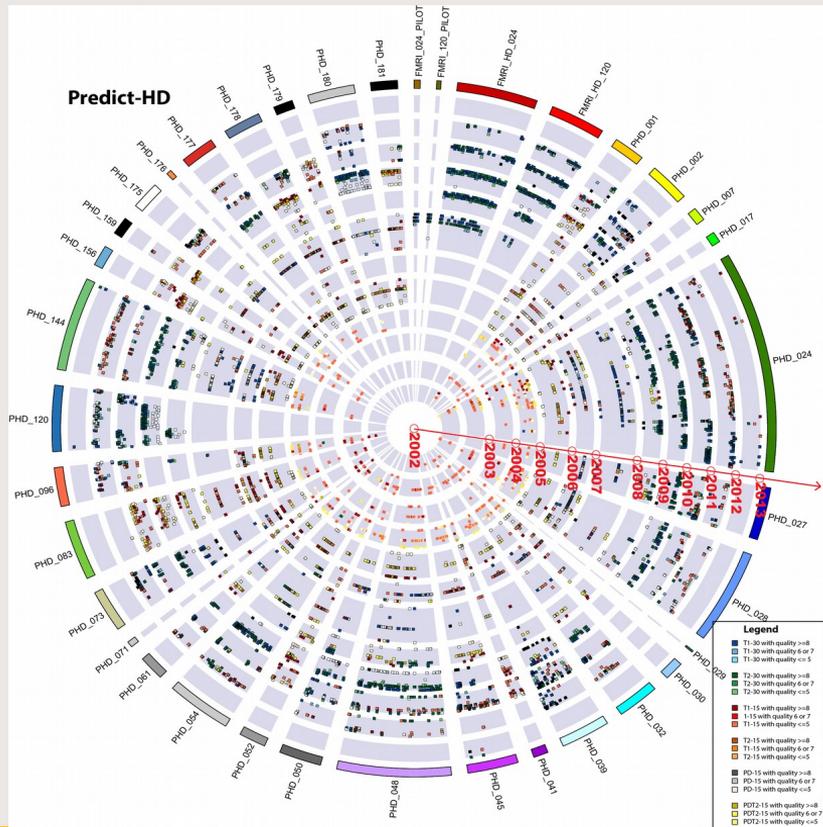
before



after

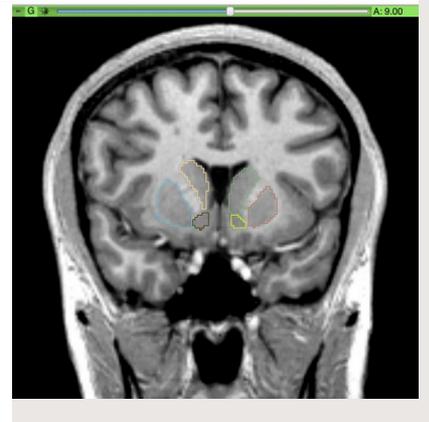
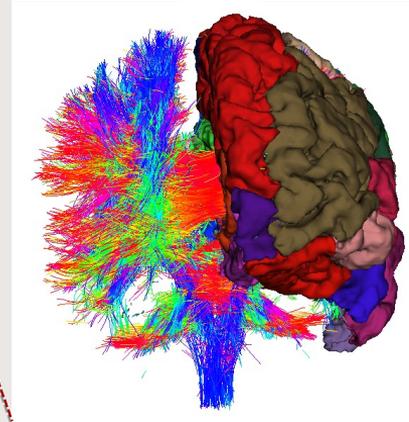
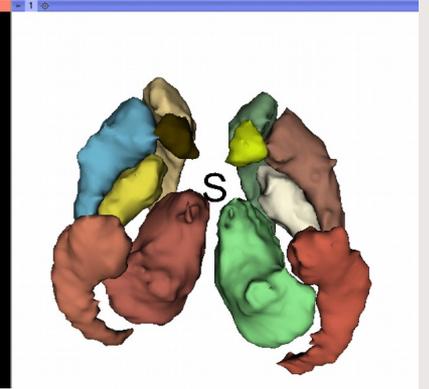
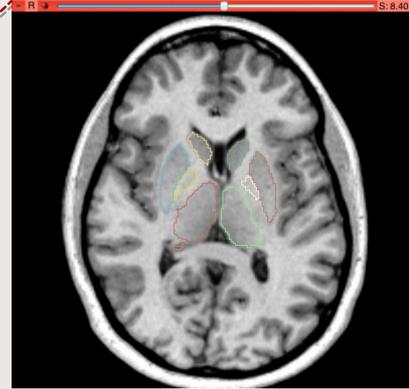
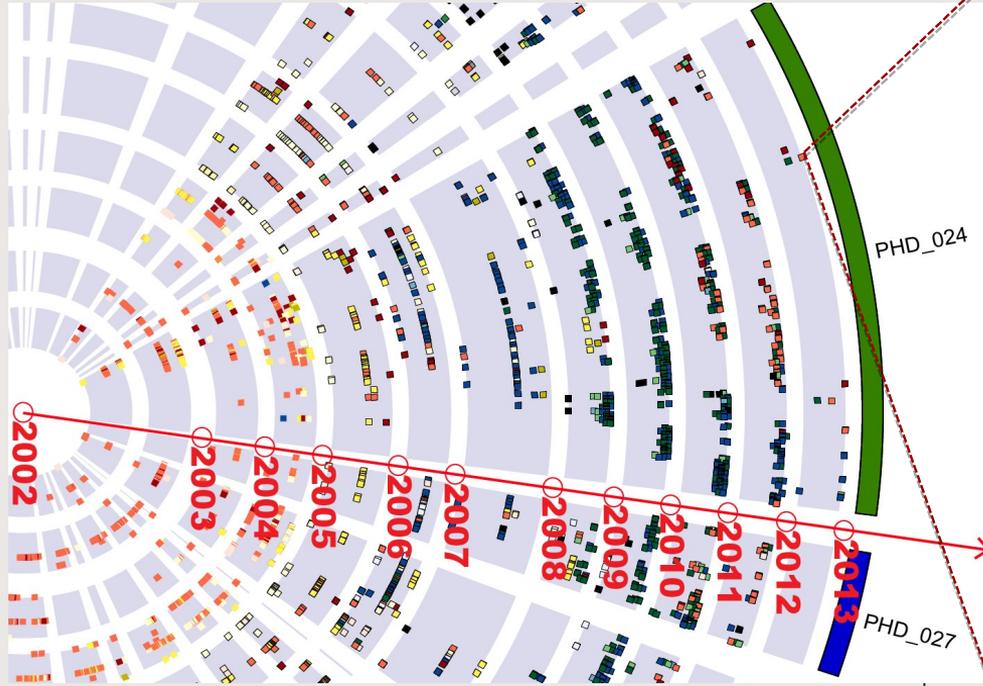


# Improved Understanding





# Improved Understanding



# Tools & Techniques



- Tools --- Allow us to see or measure biological processes
- Techniques --- Provide frameworks for managing complexity

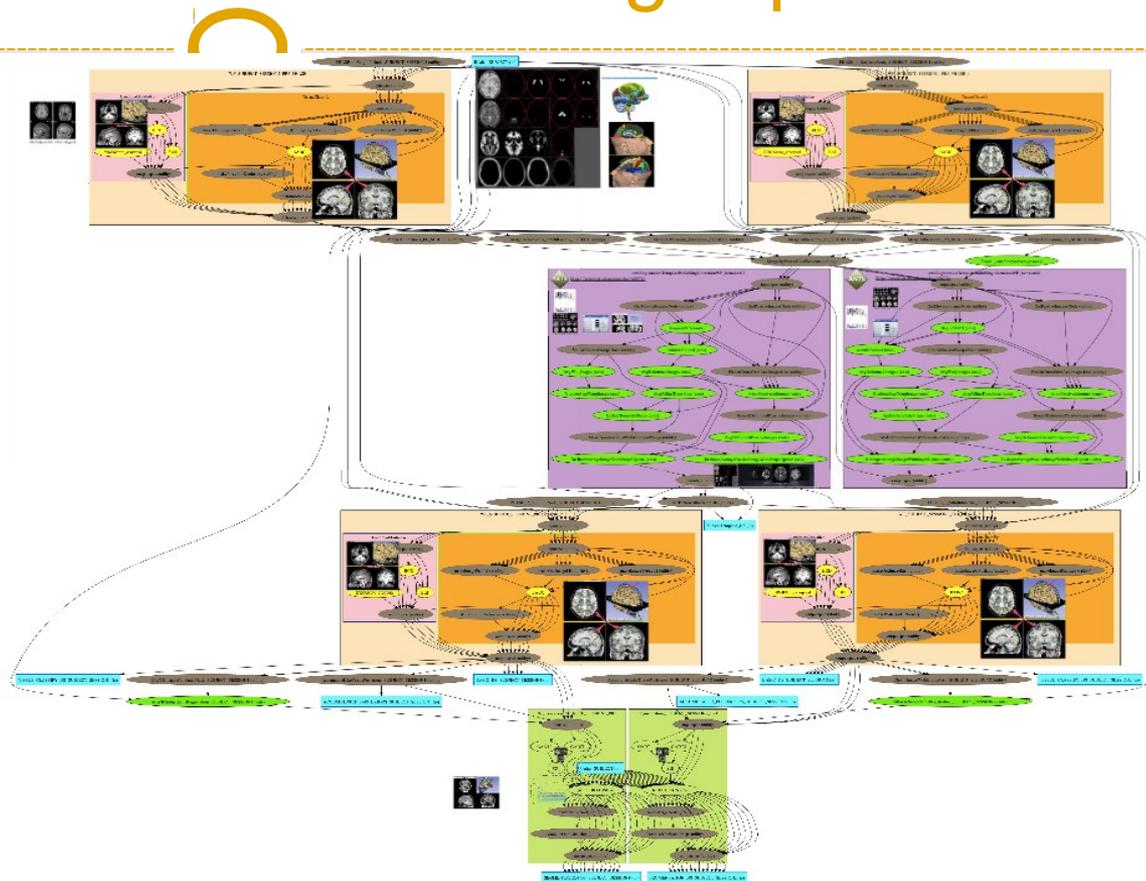
# The Practice of Automated Medical Image Analysis



- A collection of recipes, a box of tools
  - Equations that function: crafting human thought.
  - ITK is a library, not a program.
- Solutions:
  - Computer programs (fully- and semi-automated).
  - Very application-specific, no general solution.
  - Supervision / apprenticeship of machines

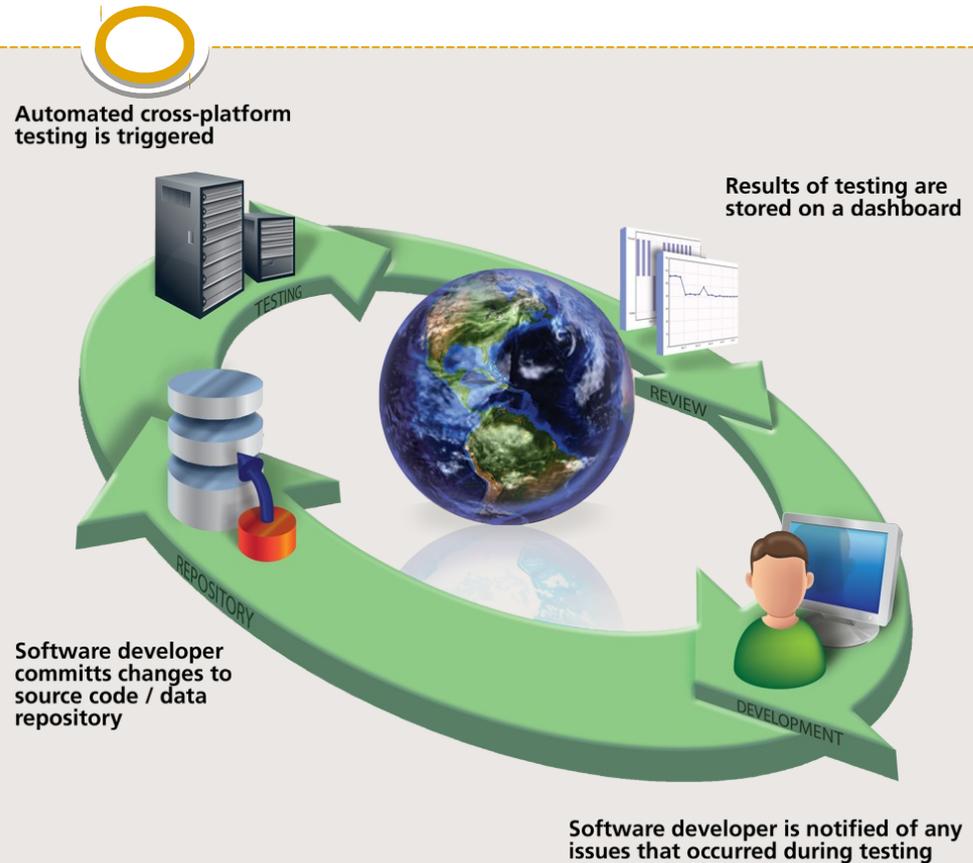
# Diagram of Longitudinal Processing Pipeline

- Solutions require complex interaction of tools
  - Computational
  - Knowledge Database
  - Image Processing
    - Registration
    - Segmentation
    - Filtering
  - Image Analysis
    - Machine Learning
    - Interpretation



# Software Engineering Process

- Community driven engineering
- Quality Assurance:
- Extreme programming: publish early, publish often



# The Process of Translation



# The Process of Translation



Technological  
prototype



Tools for  
biomedical  
research



Clinical tools

Can it be done?

Innovative, not  
robust, usually  
single developer

You Are  
Probably  
Here



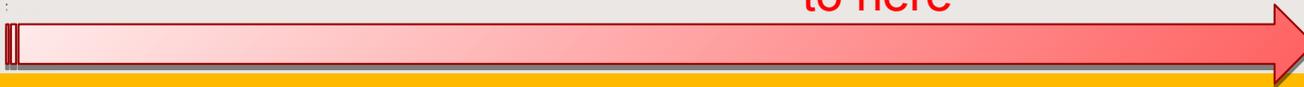
Should it be done?

Usability, robustness,  
portability and  
openness

Hopefully  
we can get  
to here

For every patient

FDA approved,  
supported, closed  
source



# Ron's Rules For Tools

You make it, I break It!

- If it's not tested, it's broken

Your tool does not exist until it works on my laptop with my data

I am lazy/busy/overworked

- I do not like to move the mouse or type

Make your algorithm simple by default

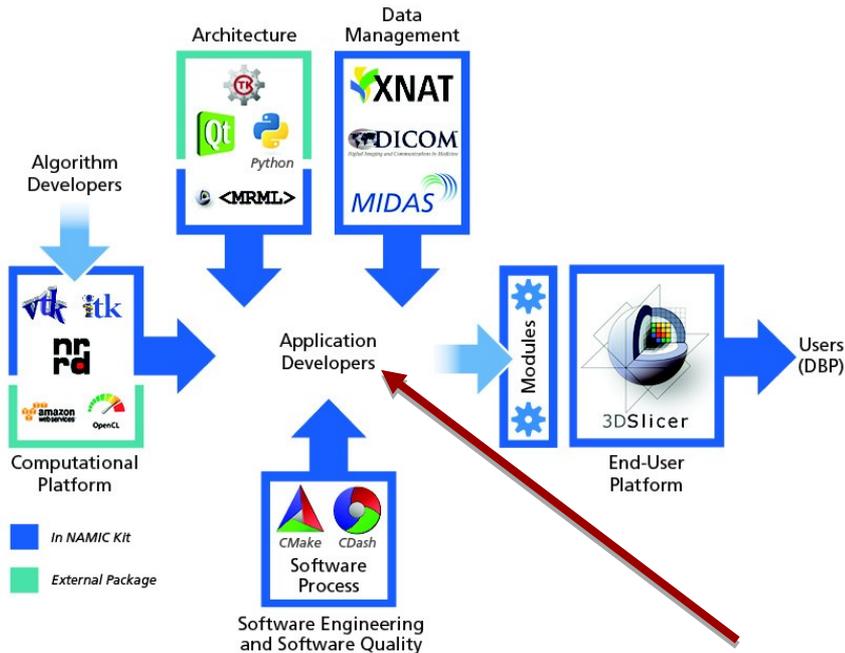
- No more than one simple parameter

I have ADD (attention deficit disorder)

- Make your algorithm fast

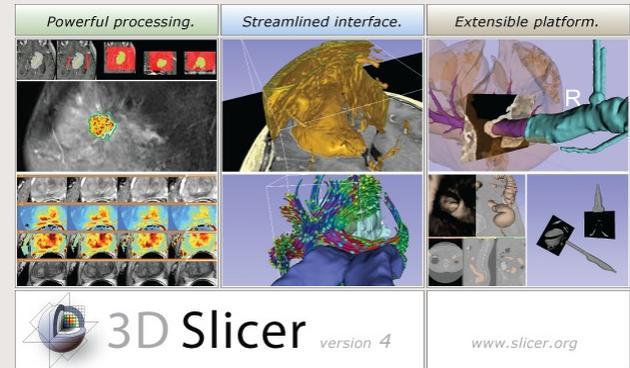


# The Slicer Ecosystem



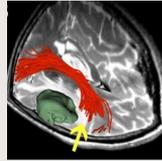
You Are Here!

- **Major building blocks:** VTK, ITK, CTk, Qt, Python, Teem, PythonQt, SimpleITK...
- **Key infrastructure:** CMake, CTest, CDash, MediaWiki, GitHub....
- **Distribution mechanisms:** Extension manager for software distribution, data store for data distribution
- **Slicer for end-users**



# Examples of Clinical Projects

Tracking peritumoral white matter fibers



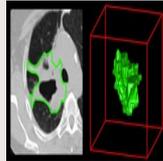
Radiation dose calculations



Prostate procedures



Diagnosis of Different Tumors in Lung Cancer

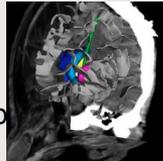


Clinical users drive creation of technology

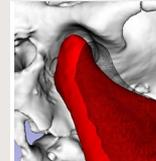
Breast cancer surgery guidance



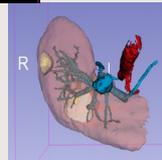
Model-Guided Deep Brain Simulation



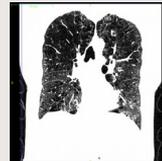
Diagnosis of Osteoarthritis Degeneration



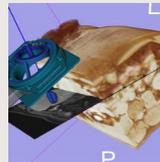
Surgical navigation



Quantitative assessment of COPD



Liver procedures



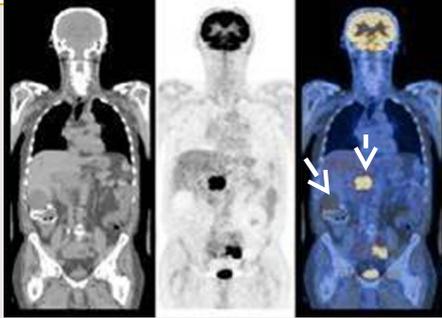
# Visualization



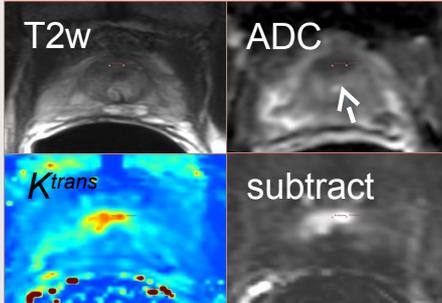
- *Visualization* is used to mean *to picture in the mind*.
- Retina is a 2D device
- Visualization is required to reach visual cortex
- Computers have an advantage over humans in 3D (or more) dimensions
- Doctors prefer 2D pictures to volumetric data arrays

# Advancement Continues

PET CT:  
<http://nucmed.wikispaces.com/Wendt+Talk+6>



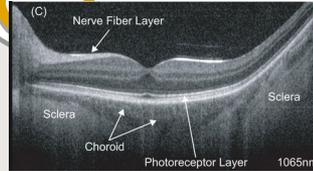
Complex MRI:  
 Fedorov et al.  
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4D  
 Ultrasound:  
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 Cheeks



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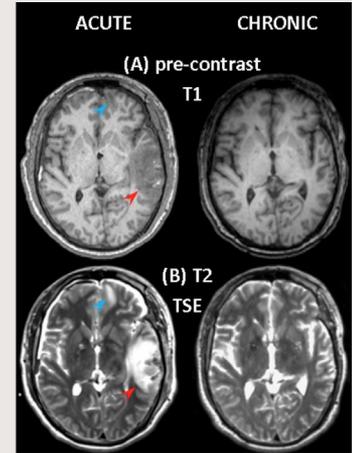
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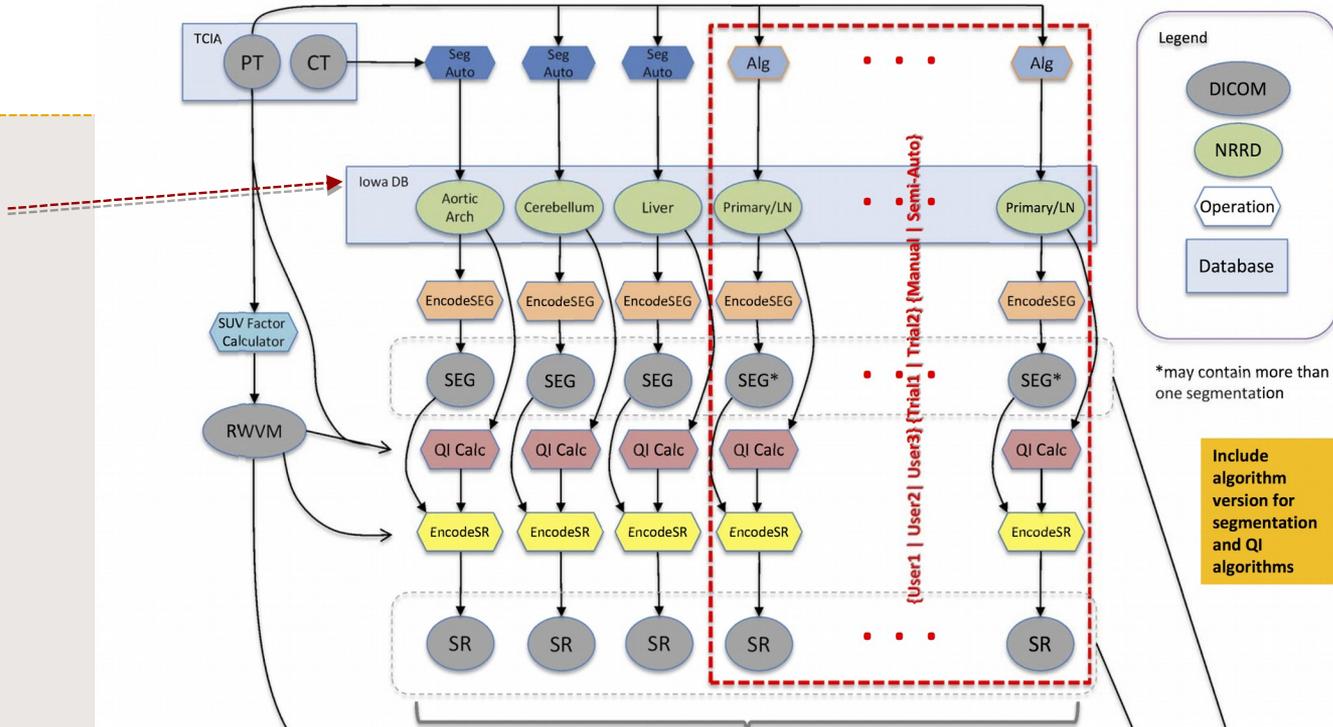
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UCLA

## Many modalities

- X ray radiography
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)
- Nuclear medicine
- Computed Tomography
- Tomography
- Ultrasound
- Optical Coherence Tomography
- Photoacoustic imaging
- Thermography
- Light Microscopy
  - Bright, dark field
  - Phase contrast
  - Fluorescence
  - Confocal





\*may contain more than one segmentation

Include algorithm version for segmentation and QI algorithms

Keep object label IDs consistent across timepoints (pretreatment & first post-treatment)

DB (Bart)  
Clinical Data

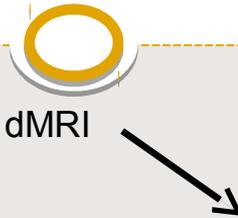
David's  
Scripts

SR

QI = Quantitative Index (e.g., mean, SD, ...)  
 SR = DICOM Structured Reporting object instance  
 SUV = Standard Uptake Value  
 RWVM = DICOM Real World Value Mapping object instance  
 SEG = DICOM Segmentation object instance

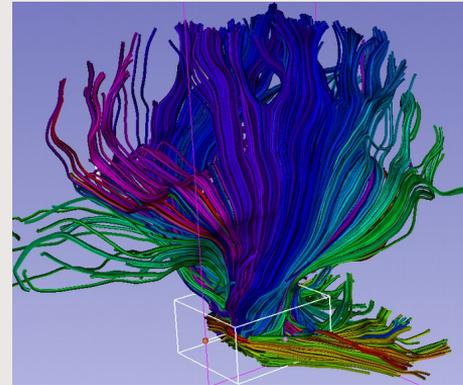
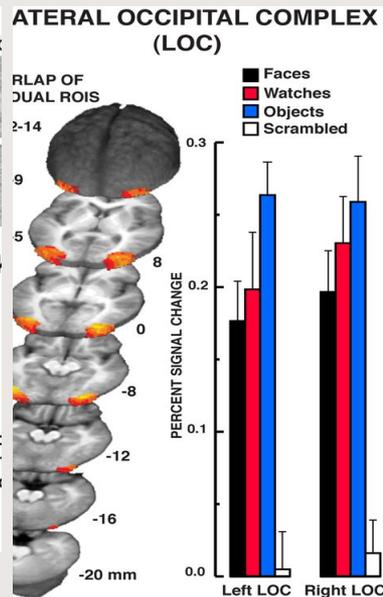
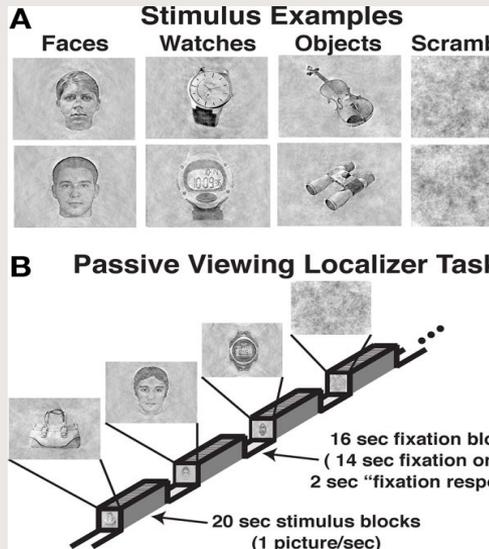
TCIA

# Complexity Increases

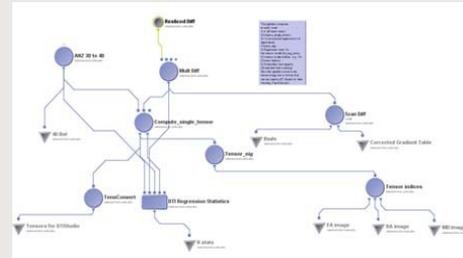


fMRI

dMRI



DTI streamlines:  
<http://wiki.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Slicer4:VisualBlog>



[http://www.frontiersin.org/human\\_neuroscience/10.3389/fnhu.2010.00181/full](http://www.frontiersin.org/human_neuroscience/10.3389/fnhu.2010.00181/full)

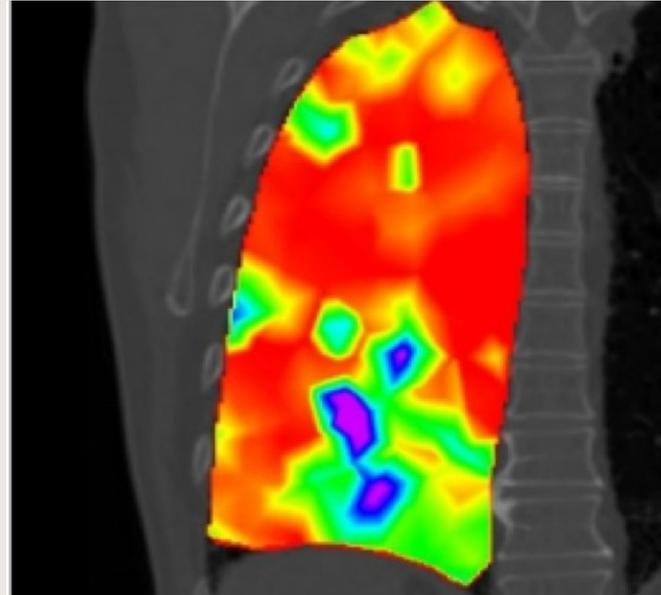
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# Increasing Importance of MIC

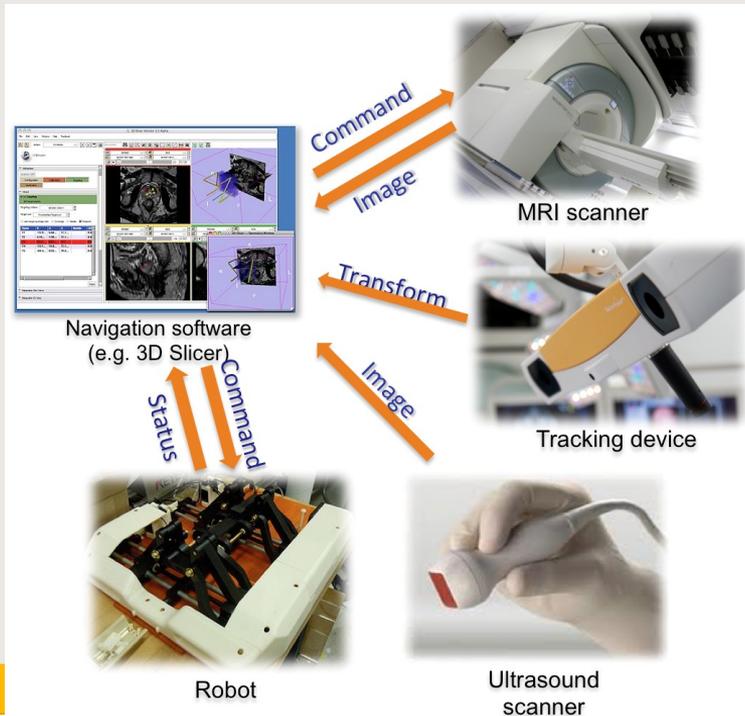


- More applications
  - Discovery, Diagnosis
  - Therapy monitoring
- More data and complexity
  - Gigabytes to terabytes
  - fMRI, molecular imaging, dMRI, 4DUS
- Translational infrastructure is needed



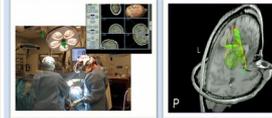
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# Real-time Communication In The OR



## NCIGT (2009-)

- Interactive DTI tractography
- Intraoperative mass spectrometry



Brainlab

3D Slicer

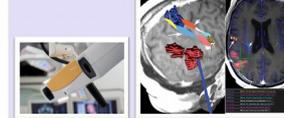
Tool position + Images  
OpenIGTLink

Elhawary et al. Neurosurgery 2011; 68(2):506-16  
Calligaris et al. J Mass Spectrom 2013; 48:1178-87

## MD Anderson (2013-)

Dr. Prabhu (UT, MD Anderson)

- Atlas-based neuronavigation
- Deformable Anatomic Template (DAT)



Brainlab

Anatom-e

Tool position + Images  
OpenIGTLink

Vabulas et al. Neurosurgery 2014; 74(1):128-34

## NCIGT+OCAIRO (2011-)

- Real-time tracked ultrasound image guidance with 3D Slicer



Tracked ultrasound PLUS software

3D Slicer

Probe position + Images  
OpenIGTLink

Ungi T, Tokuda J, et al. NCIGT Workshop, 2013

## UBC, Canada (2012-)

Dr. Abolmaesumi (UBC)

- Augmented reality (AR) to guide epidural anesthesia



Tracked ultrasound PLUS software

3D Slicer AR guidance

Probe position + Images  
OpenIGTLink

Al-Deen AH, et al. IEEE Trans Biomed Eng 2013;60(9):2636-44.

## NCIGT+BRP+WPI (2008-)

- Image-guided robotic intervention for prostate



3D Slicer user interface

MR-compatible needle guide robot

Command, target  
OpenIGTLink  
Status

Tokuda J, et al. Comput Med Imaging Graph, 2010; 34(1):3-8.  
Tokuda J, et al. NCIGT Workshop, 2014

## KUKA, Germany (2013-)

Mr. Tauscher (U of Hannover), Dr. Neff (KUKA)

- KUKA LBR robot for surgical interventions



3D Slicer user interface

KUKA LBR Surgical robot

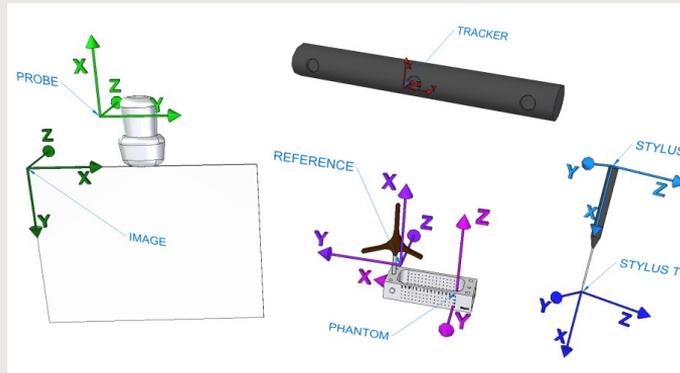
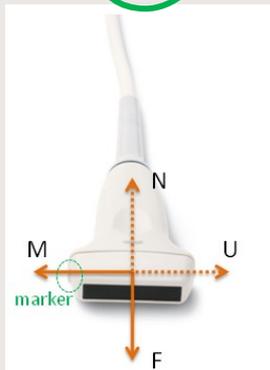
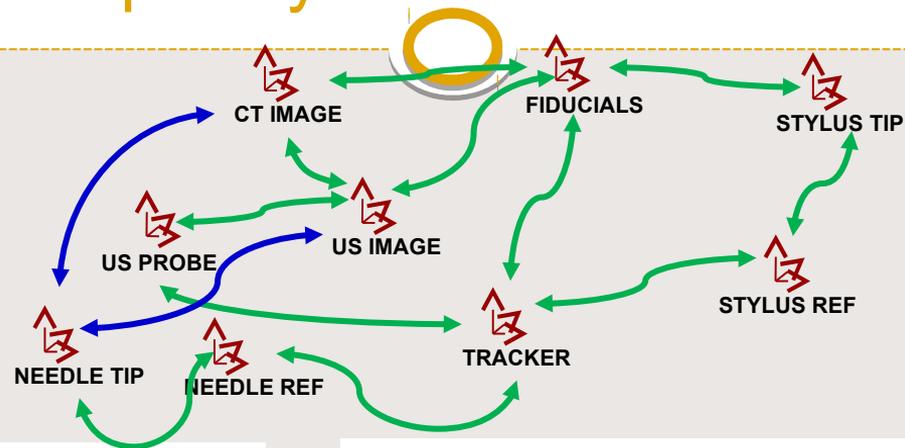
Command, target  
OpenIGTLink  
Status, position

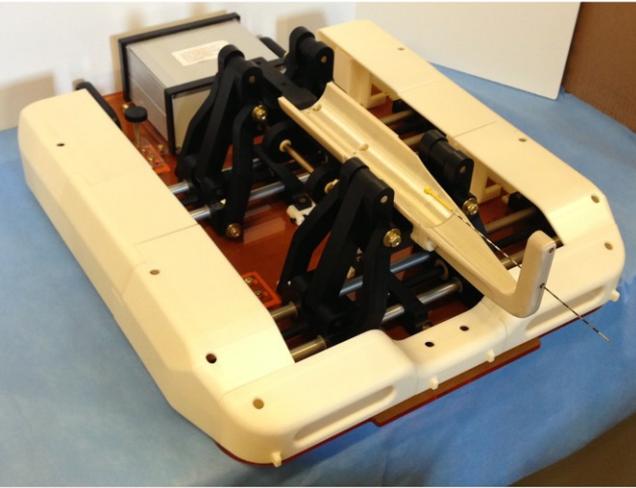
Tauscher S, et al. Int J Comput Assist Radiol Surg 2014

# Plurality of devices

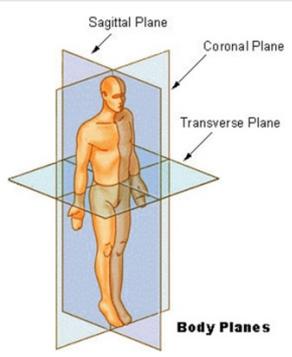


# IGT: Complexity without standards





# Prostate Biopsy robot with higher degree of freedom

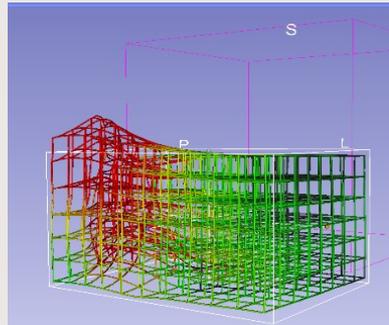
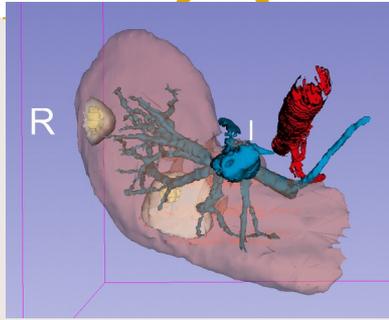
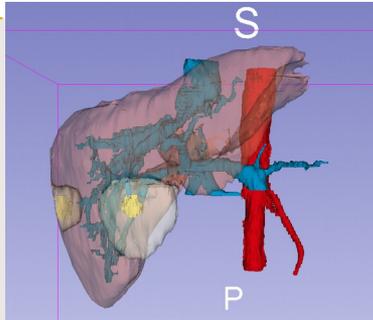


R01CA 111288 (PI Tempny/BWH)  
Enabling Technologies for MRI-  
Guided Prostate Interventions

Collaboration with Fischer (WPI),  
Iordachita (JHU), Burdette (Acoustic  
Med)



# Liver surgery navigation



- 3D models for liver, vessels, tumor, resection margins
- Volumetric computations
- Integrated with SlicerIGT navigation system

Intra-op measurement and visualization of EM tracking error by Thompson retractor

V Harish, T Ungi, A Lasso, A Macdonald, S Nanji, G Fichtinger, Intraoperative visualization and assessment of electromagnetic tracking error, SPIE Medical Imaging 2015, Orlando, FL, USA, Feb 21-26, 2015, Proc. SPIE 9415, Medical Imaging 2015: Image-Guided Procedures, Robotic Interventions, and Modeling, 94152H

# Use case: Dose accumulation

3DSlicer

Help & Acknowledgement

Node

Scene

- RANDO^ENT
  - No study description (20110920)
    - 5: RTDOSE: BRAI1
    - 4: RTPLAN: BRAI1\_Isocenters
    - 4: RTPLAN: BRAI1\_BeamModels
    - 3: RTSTRUCT: ENT
    - 2: ENT IMRT
  - Day2
    - 2\_ENT\_IMRT\_Day2
    - 5\_RTDOSE\_Day2
  - LinearTransform\_2\_ENT\_IMRT\_Day2\_To\_2: ...

Transforms  ID's

MRML Node Inspector

Data Probe

F: 2\_ENT...50%)  
B: 2: ENT IMRT

5 cm

R: -4.297mm G: -10.004mm A: -10.004mm

F: 2\_ENT...50%)  
B: 2: ENT IMRT

10 cm

F: 2\_ENT...50%)  
B: 2: ENT IMRT

10 cm

Convenience features: Transform whole studies with a single click, visualize transforms, anatomy in 3D

# Companies Use Technologies of this Course



Known commercial activities range from use “as is” to full blown product development:

- Xstrahl (small animal radiation product)
- mebio (radiology product, prostate guidance)
- SonoVol (ultrasound product) (R43CA192482...)
- Novartis (quantitative imaging clinical trials)
- New Frontier (navigation system)
- KUKA (surgical robotics)
- Siemens (diagnostic and interventional research)
- Canon (robotic interventions)
- GE (research and products)
- NDI (trackers for surgical navigation)
- Isomics (research, consulting)
- Kitware (research, consulting)
  - 10+ Slicer based projects in the past two years
  - 5 commercial products being launched

# Take-home message

- Real problems are HARD
- Promote reproducible science by using open platforms
- Invest in your science not in duplication of infrastructure
- Invest in learning open platforms



# This is FUN!



- No one is making you do this
- The skills and knowledge presented today will be incredibly useful
- Nothing worth having comes easy...

You have to learn the rules of the game. And then you have to play better than anyone else.

**Albert Einstein**

The only source of knowledge is experience.

**Albert Einstein**

A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.

**Albert Einstein**

# 3\_a\_Docker\_Jupyter\_Notebook\_and\_Reproducible\_Research

February 28, 2016

## 1 Docker and Jupyter Notebooks for Reproducible Research

Goal: To understand what Docker is and how it can be used with Jupyter notebooks for reproducible research.

Docker is technological tool that creates high performance, shareable, reproducible computational environments. Jupyter notebooks are tools for interactive analysis that interweave prose, code, and results. Together, Docker and Jupyter notebooks are best-of-breed methods to create research that is reproducible.

In [ ]: *#Imports for running this presentation live*

```
from ipywidgets import interact, interactive
from IPython.display import clear_output, display, HTML, YouTubeVideo

import numpy as np

from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
from matplotlib.colors import cnames
from matplotlib import animation

%matplotlib inline

!docker info
!docker load -i busybox.dockerarchive.tar
```

## 2 The Problem

Even though computers are often considered deterministic, **computational software is a rapidly evolving and changing landscape**. Libraries are constantly adding new features and fixing issues.

Image source: <http://www.michaelogawa.com/research/storylines/>

Even libraries with the strictest backwards-compatibility policies can **change in significant ways**.

Image source: <http://www.bonkersworld.net/backwards-compatibility/>

A **reproducible computational environment** has a sufficiently consistent state for the computational task at hand.

For example, this can consist of

- a similar CPU instruction set
- libraries and executables available with a specific version and configuration options
- a specific version of a given compiler
- a specific version of a libc implementation
- a specific version of the C++ standard library

## 2.1 Close But Not Good Enough

### 2.1.1 Source code

Does not include:

- Compiler
- Hardware it was built on
- How it is configured
- Package dependencies
- Run-time environment
- How to run it

Image source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g1LgVfV5.ZQ>

### 2.1.2 Package managers and distributions

- There is not a consensus on the package manager
- Packages become unsupported over time
- What to do if a required library is not packaged?

### 2.1.3 Virtual machines (VMs)

- Inefficient utilization of computational resources

Image source: <http://time-az.com/images/2014/02/20140203carjam.jpg>

## 3 Enter Linux Containers



Figure 1: Docker logo

[Linux container systems](#) , like Docker, are new type of tool to easily build, ship, and run reproducible, binary applications.

It is “good enough” for a reproducible computational environment.

In this talk, we will introduce Docker from the perspective a scientific research software engineer. We will

- Generate an understanding of what Docker is by comparing it to existing technologies.
- Give an introduction to basic Docker concepts.
- Describe how Docker fits into the scientific analysis workflow with Jupyter notebooks.

## 4 Understanding Docker

### 4.0.4 Not just this cute whale thing

Docker is an open-source engine that automates the deployment of any application as a **lightweight, portable, self-sufficient container** that will run virtually anywhere.

```
In [2]: !docker run --rm busybox sh -c 'echo "Hello Docker World!"'
```

```
Hello Docker World!
```

### 4.0.5 Docker is a combination of a:

1. **Sandboxed chroot**
2. **Copy on write filesystem**
3. **Distributed VCS for binaries**

## 4.1 Sandboxed chroot

Docker works with images that **consume minimal disk space, versioned, archiveable, and shareable**. Executing applications in these images does not require dedicated resources and is **high performance**.

It works with **containers** as opposed to **virtual machines** (VM's).

```
In [4]: %time !docker run --rm busybox sh -c 'echo "Hello Docker World!"'
```

```
Hello Docker World!
```

```
CPU times: user 8 ms, sys: 0 ns, total: 8 ms
```

```
Wall time: 950 ms
```

A Docker container is similar to a running an application in a chroot, but it sandboxes processes and the network stack with Linux kernel:

- **Namespaces**: isolated processes, networking, messaging, file systems, hostname's
- **CGroups**: groups together cpu, memory, and IO resources

## 4.2 Copy on Write Filesystem

**Union file systems**, or UnionFS, are file systems that operate by **creating layers**, making them very **lightweight** and **fast** while **saving disk space**.

Docker can make use of several union file system variants including:

- AUFS
- btrfs
- vfs
- DeviceMapper

## 4.3 Distributed VCS for binaries

### 4.3.1 Docker is like Git for binaries

```
In [5]: !docker search itk
```

NAME	DESCRIPTION	STARS	ON
pitkley/samba-ad-dc	Samba4 Active Directory Domain Controller ...	1	
insighttoolkit/itk-bin-testing		1	
insighttoolkit/itk-bin-examples		1	
businessdecision/itkg	Interakting Docker base images	1	

insighttoolkit/itk-bin		1
itkj/cloud-sdk-appengine-go-godep	google/cloud-sdk + GAE/Go SDK + Godep	1
insighttoolkit/itk-dashboard		0
mdavezac/itk	Minimal ensight toolkit	0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-base		0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-dashboard		0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-src		0
jamespshields/agitk-sample-base	This sample base image includes replicatio...	0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-edit		0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-html		0
itkj/nginx	nginx + http2 + lua	0
rogerkerse/itk-smartcare-build		0
insighttoolkit/itksoftwareguide-bin		0
bpierre/ubuntu-uitk-gallery	Ubuntu UITK Gallery	0
pypi/witkets	witkets PyPi package based on python:3	0
insighttoolkit/itk-base		0
insighttoolkit/itk-data		0
insighttoolkit/itk-src		0
pitkley/jenkins-slave-texlive-personal	Jenkins-slave (either regular slave or Swa...	0
pitkley/python-swarm	Python on a Jenkins Swarm slave	0

- Docker images are identified with hex string or tags
- Interface is `docker <subcommand>`
- `docker push`, `docker pull`, `docker tag`
- `docker export` will create a archiveable tarball of an image's filesystem.
- DockerHub is like GitHub

### 4.3.2 Installing

Here's what you need:

- Linux kernel with control groups and namespaces
- Support for a layered filesystem (like AUFS)
- Docker Daemon / Server (written in Go)

#### [Linux

- Ubuntu 14.04 [or](#)
- See [Docker installation instructions](#) for distributions with Kernel 3.8 + later [or](#)
- [Kernel configuration instructions](#)

#### Windows and Mac [Docker Machine](#)

- easy install of
- Git Bash
- VirtualBox
- Lightweight Linux distribution
- Docker
- Mac OSX users can use the Docker client from the Mac bash shell
- Comes with busybox shell -> Write your Docker build.sh and run.sh in Bourne shell

## 5 Docker Concepts

### 5.1 Image

#### 5.1.1 A read-only file system layer

```
In [6]: !docker images
```

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	VIRTUAL SIZE
busybox	latest	65e4158d9625	10 days ago	1.114 MB

### 5.2 Container

#### 5.2.1 An modifiable image with processes running in memory, or an exited container with a modified filesystem

```
In [7]: !docker ps
```

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS
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```
In [8]: !docker run -d busybox sh -c 'sleep 3'
```

```
06fcb48ae8f17f18b1727c998c003c697cd2f4d292ca096624485291b617571b
```

```
In [10]: !docker ps
```

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS
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```
In [11]: !docker ps -a
```

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS
06fcb48ae8f1	busybox	"sh -c 'sleep 3'"	23 seconds ago	Exited (0) 19 seconds ago	

### 5.3 Volume

#### 5.3.1 A directory within one or more containers that bypasses the Union File System

- Data volumes are initialized when a container is created
- Volumes can be shared and reused between containers
- Changes to a data volume are made directly
- Changes to a data volume will not be included when you update an image
- Volume persist until no containers use them
- Host directories can also be mounted as data volumes

#### 5.3.2 Why use a data volume?

- Store and share data
- Expose data or code from the host to the Docker computational environment

### 5.4 Dockerfile

#### 5.4.1 A sequence of instructions to generate a Docker image

```
In [12]: !mkdir -p docker-ls-data
         !cp $PWD/Data/*.png docker-ls-data/
```

```
In [13]: %%writefile docker-ls-data/Dockerfile
```

```
FROM busybox
MAINTAINER Matt McCormick <matt.mccormick@kitware.com>
RUN mkdir -p /Data
ADD *.png /Data/
VOLUME /Data
CMD ["/bin/sh", "-c", "ls /Data"]
```

Overwriting docker-ls-data/Dockerfile

```
In [14]: !docker build -t ls-data ./docker-ls-data
```

Sending build context to Docker daemon 1.252 MB

Step 1 : FROM busybox

---> 65e4158d9625

Step 2 : MAINTAINER Matt McCormick <matt.mccormick@kitware.com>

---> Running in 38c48dc2d406

---> b96fb10c253e

Removing intermediate container 38c48dc2d406

Step 3 : RUN mkdir -p /Data

---> Running in cdd5148e8620

---> 218e55546268

Removing intermediate container cdd5148e8620

Step 4 : ADD \*.png /Data/

---> 8995b0829c1c

Removing intermediate container eab99e441323

Step 5 : VOLUME /Data

---> Running in a34db940bc7a

---> 85d12a9b4a39

Removing intermediate container a34db940bc7a

Step 6 : CMD /bin/sh -c ls /Data

---> Running in 071760d6bcae

---> b221b5c1a4fe

Removing intermediate container 071760d6bcae

Successfully built b221b5c1a4fe

```
In [15]: !docker run --rm ls-data
```

BackwardsCompatibility.png

Chroot.png

Debian.png

DockerFilesystemsBusybox.png

DockerHub.png

DockerLogo.png

Jupyter.png

Liar.png

## 5.5 Scientific Research with Docker Notebook

## 5.6 Graphical Applications and Docker

A **portable Docker image** will only assume standard CPU/memory/disk/network resources are available. If local USB devices and **video card devices** are used the images will **not be runnable anywhere**.

- Use [IPython / Jupyter Notebooks](#)
- The [docker-opengl](#) image offers CPU-based OpenGL rendering viewable via an HTML5 VNC client.

## 5.7 Choosing a base image

- [debian](#) - Most common lightweight image with many packages available
- [alpine](#) Very small image
- [ipython/notebook](#) - Launcher SSL / password enabled IPython notebook
- [jupyter/tmpnb](#) - Launches “temporary” Jupyter notebook servers
- [continuumio/miniconda](#) miniconda installed
- [nixos/nix](#) Nix package manager installed
- ...
- Make your own

## 6 Recap and Next Steps

### 6.1 Docker is

- Sandboxed chroot +
- Incremental, copy on write filesystem +
- Distributed VCS for binaries +

### 6.2 Concepts

- Image: A read-only file system layer
- Container: A writable image with processes running in memory, or an exited container with a modified filesystem
- Volume: A mounted directory that is not tracked as a filesystem layer
- Dockerfile: A sequence of instructions to generate a Docker image

### 6.3 Scientific Python and Docker

- Not for graphical applications, especially OpenGL
- Reproducible computational environment for IPython notebook
- Use with Linux-based packaging system of your choice

### 6.4 Learn more!

- [Interactive Brower-Based Docker Tutorial](#)
- [Docker Documentation](#)
- [Reproducible Research: Walking the Walk Tutorial](#)
- [IPython DockerHub Repositories](#)

### 6.5 Docker vs. LXC

- [LXC](#) is a set of tools and API to interact with Linux kernel namespaces, cgroups, etc.
- LXC used to be the default execution environment for Docker
- Docker provides LXC function, plus:
- Portable deployment across machines
- Application-centric
- Automatic builds

- Versioning
- Component re-use
- Sharing
- Tool ecosystem

## 6.6 Docker vs Rocket

- [Rocket](#) is a container system like Docker developed by CoreOS
- Rocket is not as mature
- Rocket does not use a daemon/client system

# 3\_b\_SimpleITK\_Prototyping\_Introduction

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## 1 ITK Prototyping with SimpleITK in Jupyter Notebooks

Goal: Introduce SimpleITK and the SimpleITK style of interface to ITK classes interactively the Notebook environment.

SimpleITK is a wrapping of the Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit (ITK) designed to facilitate rapid prototyping, education as well as to be easily used and improve the accessibility to ITK's algorithms.

It was designed from the ground up to have any easy to use interface which follows modern scripting language conventions.

### 1.1 SimpleITK Introduction

- Simplify ITK by not exposing the algorithm type dependencies on the image type ( and many other hidden simplifications )
- Binary built distributions
- Procedural and object oriented interfaces
- Supports 2D and 3D image, along with multi-component images
- Overload operators for image types
- Easy importing and exporting bulk data through numpy

Additional information about the design and architecture of SimpleITK can be found in the following publication:

- Lowekamp BC, Chen DT, Ibáñez L and Blezek D (2013) [The Design of SimpleITK](#). Front. Neuroinform. 7:45. doi: 10.3389/fninf.2013.00045

### 1.2 Introduction to the ITK Image in SimpleITK

Need to do some standard importing of Python modules first

```
In [1]: from __future__ import print_function

import SimpleITK as sitk

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline

# Utility method that either downloads data from the MIDAS repository or
# if already downloaded returns the file name for reading from disk (cached data).
from downloaddata import fetch_data as fdata
```

#### 1.2.1 Image Fundamentals

The ITK Image class is more than just a multi-dimensional array of values. It contains important meta-data that affects the how algorithms process the images, and is fundamental to bio-medical image analysis.

**Image Geometry** A feature of ITK as a toolkit for image manipulation and analysis is that it views images as physical objects occupying a bounded region in physical space. In addition images can have different spacing between pixels along each axis, and the axes are not necessarily orthogonal. The following figure illustrates these concepts.

**Pixel Types** ITK support more than just floating point images. An image can be one of many numerical representations, based on what is efficient or the source of the image.

The pixel type is represented as an enumerated type. The following is a table of the enumerated list.

sitkUInt8	Unsigned 8 bit integer
sitkInt8	Signed 8 bit integer
sitkUInt16	Unsigned 16 bit integer
sitkInt16	Signed 16 bit integer
sitkUInt32	Unsigned 32 bit integer
sitkInt32	Signed 32 bit integer
sitkUInt64	Unsigned 64 bit integer
sitkInt64	Signed 64 bit integer
sitkFloat32	32 bit float
sitkFloat64	64 bit float
sitkComplexFloat32	complex number of 32 bit float
sitkComplexFloat64	complex number of 64 bit float
sitkVectorUInt8	Multi-component of unsigned 8 bit integer
sitkVectorInt8	Multi-component of signed 8 bit integer
sitkVectorUInt16	Multi-component of unsigned 16 bit integer
sitkVectorInt16	Multi-component of signed 16 bit integer
sitkVectorUInt32	Multi-component of unsigned 32 bit integer
sitkVectorInt32	Multi-component of signed 32 bit integer
sitkVectorUInt64	Multi-component of unsigned 64 bit integer
sitkVectorInt64	Multi-component of signed 64 bit integer
sitkVectorFloat32	Multi-component of 32 bit float
sitkVectorFloat64	Multi-component of 64 bit float
sitkLabelUInt8	RLE label of unsigned 8 bit integers

sitkLabelUInt16  
RLE label of unsigned 16 bit integers  
sitkLabelUInt32  
RLE label of unsigned 32 bit integers  
sitkLabelUInt64  
RLE label of unsigned 64 bit integers

There is also `sitkUnknown`, which is used for undefined or erroneous pixel ID's. It has a value of -1.

The 64-bit integer types are not available on all distributions. When not available the value is `sitkUnknown`.

### 1.2.2 Load and Display

Load your first image and display it!

```
In [2]: logo = sitk.ReadImage(fdata('SimpleITKLogo.png'))

plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(logo))
plt.axis('off');
```

Fetching SimpleITKLogo.png



### 1.2.3 Image Construction

There are a variety of ways to create an image.

The following components are required for a complete definition of an image:

Pixel type [fixed on creation, no default]: unsigned 32 bit integer, `sitkVectorUInt8`, etc., see list above.

Sizes [fixed on creation, no default]: number of pixels/voxels in each dimension. This quantity implicitly defines the image dimension.

Origin [default is zero]: coordinates of the pixel/voxel with index (0,0,0) in physical units (i.e. mm).

Spacing [default is one]: Distance between adjacent pixels/voxels in each dimension given in physical units.

Direction matrix [default is identity]: mapping, rotation, between direction of the pixel/voxel axes and physical directions.

Initial pixel/voxel values are set to zero.

```
In [3]: image_3D = sitk.Image(256, 128, 64, sitk.sitkInt16)
image_2D = sitk.Image(64, 64, sitk.sitkFloat32)
image_2D = sitk.Image([32,32], sitk.sitkUInt32)
image_RGB = sitk.Image([128,64], sitk.sitkVectorUInt8, 3)
```

### 1.2.4 Image Attributes

You can change the image origin, spacing and direction. Making such changes to an image already containing data should be done cautiously.

```
In [4]: image_3D.SetOrigin((78.0, 76.0, 77.0))
        image_3D.SetSpacing([0.5,0.5,3.0])

        print(image_3D.GetOrigin())
        print(image_3D.GetSize())
        print(image_3D.GetSpacing())
        print(image_3D.GetDirection())
```

```
(78.0, 76.0, 77.0)
(256, 128, 64)
(0.5, 0.5, 3.0)
(1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0)
```

Image dimension queries

```
In [5]: print(image_3D.GetDimension())
        print(image_3D.GetWidth())
        print(image_3D.GetHeight())
        print(image_3D.GetDepth())
```

```
3
256
128
64
```

Pixel/voxel type queries:

```
In [6]: print(image_3D.GetPixelIDValue())
        print(image_3D.GetPixelIDTypeAsString())
        print(image_3D.GetNumberOfComponentsPerPixel())
```

```
2
16-bit signed integer
1
```

### 1.2.5 Indexing and Slicing

The Image class's member functions `GetPixel` and `SetPixel` provide an ITK-like interface for pixel access.

```
In [7]: help(image_3D.GetPixel)
```

Help on method `GetPixel` in module `SimpleITK.SimpleITK`:

`GetPixel(*idx)` method of `SimpleITK.SimpleITK.Image` instance  
Returns the value of a pixel.

This method takes 2 parameters in 2D: the x and y index,  
and 3 parameters in 3D: the x, y and z index.

```
In [8]: print(image_3D.GetPixel(0, 0, 0))
        image_3D.SetPixel(0, 0, 0, 1)
        print(image_3D.GetPixel(0, 0, 0))
```

```

# This can also be done using pythonic notation.
print(image_3D[0,0,1])
image_3D[0,0,1] = 2
print(image_3D[0,0,1])

```

```

0
1
0
2

```

Slicing of SimpleITK images returns a copy of the image data. This is similar to slicing Python lists and differs from the “view” returned by slicing numpy arrays.

The Python standard slice interface for 1-D object:

Operation

Result

`d[i]`

ith item of d, starting index 0

`d[i:j]`

slice of d from i to j

`d[i:j:k]`

slice of d from i to j with step k

With this convenient syntax many basic tasks can be easily done.

```
In [9]: logo_subsampled = logo[:,::2,::2]
```

```

# Get the sub-image containing the word Simple
simple = logo[0:115,:]

# Get the sub-image containing the word Simple and flip it
simple_flipped = logo[115:0:-1,:]

n = 4

plt.subplot(n,1,1)
plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(logo))
plt.axis('off');

plt.subplot(n,1,2)
plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(logo_subsampled))
plt.axis('off');

plt.subplot(n,1,3)
plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(simple))
plt.axis('off')

plt.subplot(n,1,4)
plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(simple_flipped))
plt.axis('off');

```

Simple  itk

Simple  itk

Simple

Simple

### 1.2.6 Operations

SimpleITK supports many overloaded arithmetic, comparative, logical, and bitwise operators between images, taking into account their physical space.

Repeatedly run this cell. Uncomment out the `SetDirection`, `SetOrigin`, and `SetSpacing` lines one at a time. Why doesn't the `SetOrigin` line cause a problem? How close do two physical attributes need to be in order to be considered equivalent?

```
In [10]: img1 = sitk.Image(24,24, sitk.sitkUInt8)
         img1[0,0] = 0

         img2 = sitk.Image(img1.GetSize(), sitk.sitkUInt8)
         #img2.SetDirection([0,1,0.5,0.5])
         #img2.SetSpacing([0.5,0.8])
         #img2.SetOrigin([0.000001,0.000001])
         img2[0,0] = 255

         img3 = img1 + img2
         print(img3[0,0])
```

255

The overloaded image operators provide a “broadcast” way to do many operations on the whole image when initially they may have been done on a per-pixel basis.

Consider the following ITK filter which generates an image where the value at each pixel is its physical location.

```
In [11]: size=256
         img = sitk.PhysicalPointSource(sitk.sitkVectorFloat32, [size]*2, [-1]*2, [2.0/(size-1)]*2)
         imgx = sitk.VectorIndexSelectionCast(img, 0)
```

```

imgy = sitk.VectorIndexSelectionCast(img, 1)

print(img[0,0], img[size//2,size//2], img[size-1,size-1])
(-1.0, -1.0) (0.003921568859368563, 0.003921568859368563) (1.0, 1.0)

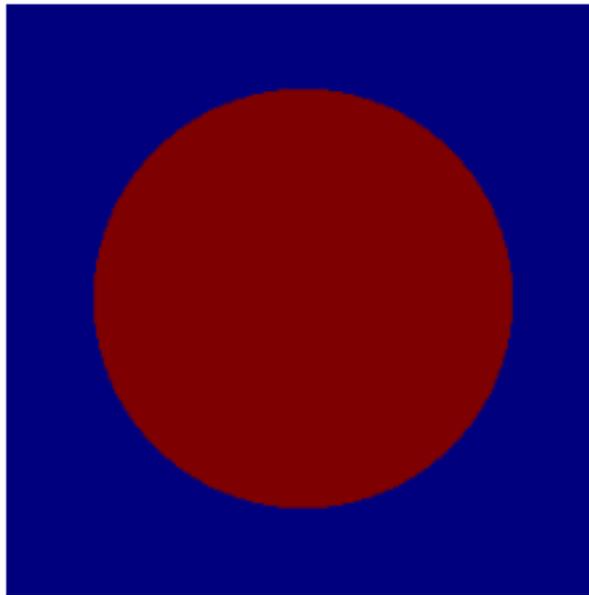
```

From this a circle can be generated, by thresholding an equation of a circle.

```

In [12]: circle = (imgx**2+imgy**2)<0.5
plt.imshow(sitk.GetArrayFromImage(circle))
plt.axis('off');

```



### 1.2.7 Exercise 1:

Use the physical location images, to generate a square over the closed interface  $[-0.5,0.5]$  with the overloaded operators?

```
In [ ]:
```

### 1.2.8 Exercise 2:

Combine the circle and square into a single image, such that 1 value is the square, and 2 is the value of the circle pixels not in the circle.

```
In [ ]:
```



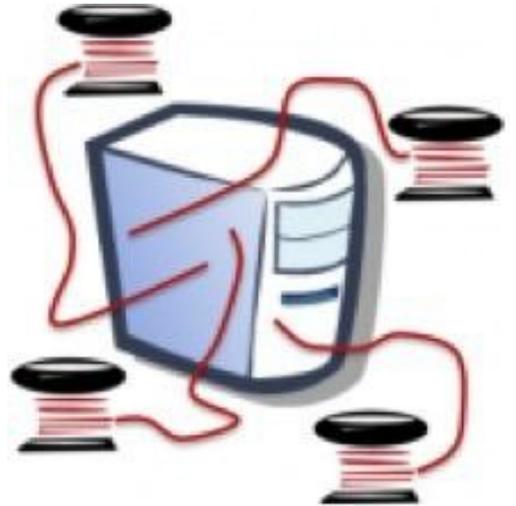
# Flexible Options for Application Integration

Additional Languages: C++, CSharp, Java, Lua, Python, R, Ruby, Tcl...

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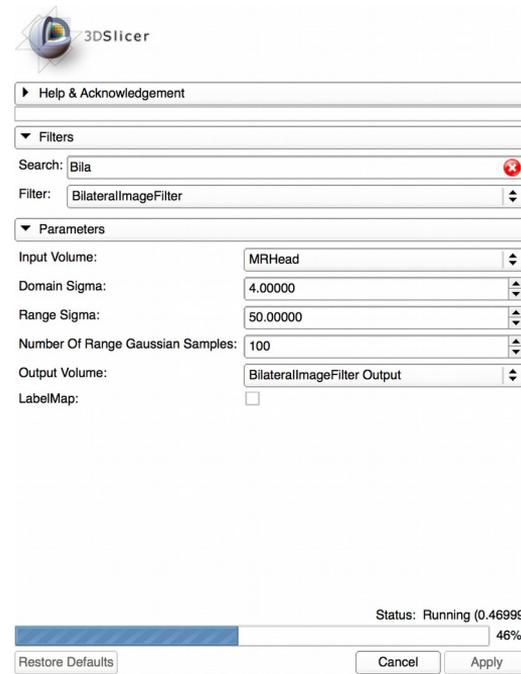
# Advanced Multithreading for Application Integration

- ITK Algorithms are Multi-Threaded
- Events and Callbacks
  - progress reporting
  - process aborting
- Python Multithreading is enabled

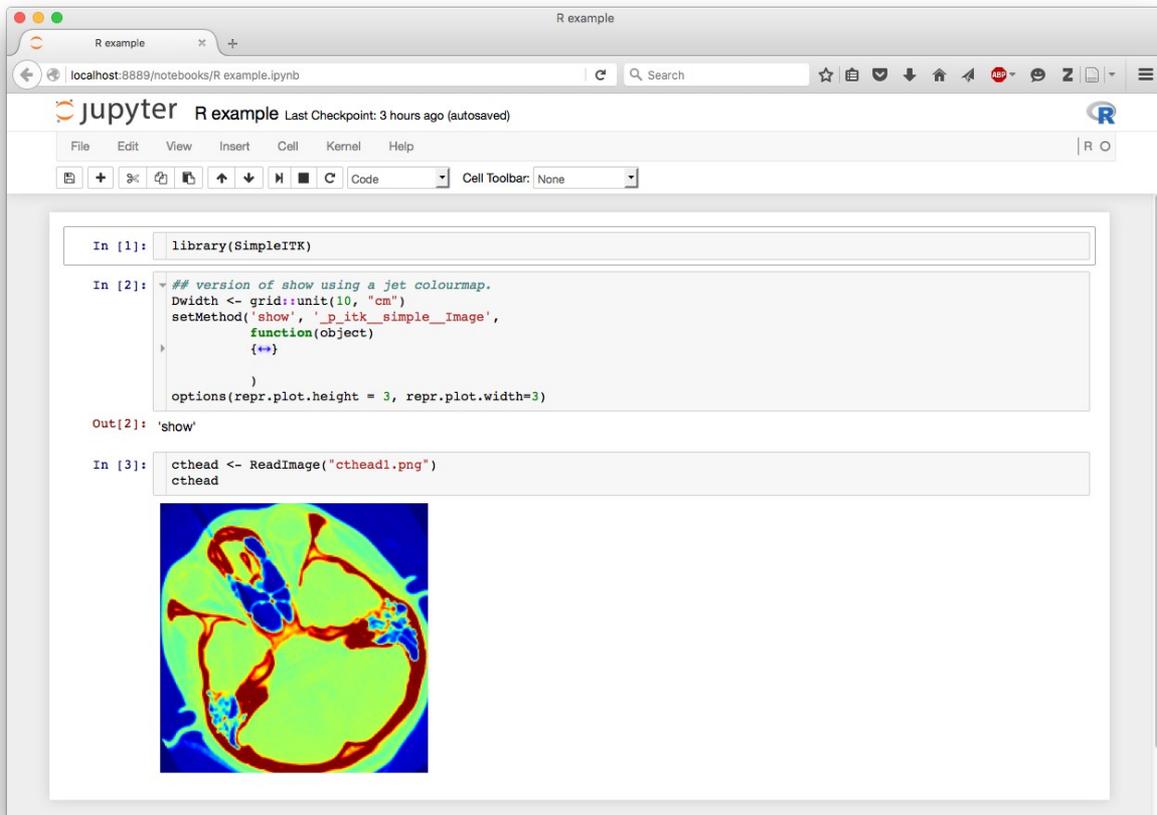


# SimpleFilters Module For 3DSlicer

- Provides a GUI for ~250 ITK image filters
- Dynamic GUI created from SimpleITK filter description
- A scripted 3D Slicer module
- Makes use of Python Multithreading to perform ITK processing in the background
- Provide GUI feedback with progress reporting and a cancel button



# Jupyter Notebooks with R and SimpleITK



The screenshot shows a Jupyter Notebook interface in a web browser. The browser address bar shows the URL `localhost:8889/notebooks/R_example.ipynb`. The notebook title is "R example" and it indicates the last checkpoint was 3 hours ago. The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Insert, Cell, Kernel, Help) and a toolbar with various icons for cell operations. The notebook content consists of three input cells and one output cell:

```
In [1]: library(SimpleITK)
```

```
In [2]: ## version of show using a jet colourmap.
Dwidth <- grid::unit(10, "cm")
setMethod('show', 'p_itk_simple_image',
  function(object)
  {++}
)
options(repr.plot.height = 3, repr.plot.width=3)
```

Out[2]: 'show'

```
In [3]: cthead <- ReadImage("cthead1.png")
cthead
```

Below the code cells, the output of the third cell is displayed as a heatmap image of a cross-section of a human head, showing internal structures in various colors (red, yellow, green, blue).

# Simple Gaussian Example in 8 Languages

# C++

```
#include <SimpleITK.h>
#include <cstdlib>
namespace sitk = itk::simple;
int main ( int argc, char* argv[] ) {
    // Read the image file
    sitk::ImageFileReader reader;
    reader.SetFileName ( std::string ( argv[1] ) );
    sitk::Image image = reader.Execute();

    // This filters perform a gaussian blurring with sigma in physical
    // space. The output image will be of real type.
    sitk::SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter gaussian;
    gaussian.SetSigma ( atof ( argv[2] ) );
    sitk::Image blurredImage = gaussian.Execute ( image );

    // Covert the real output image back to the original pixel type, to
    // make writing easier, as many file formats don't support real
    // pixels.
    sitk::CastImageFilter caster;
    caster.SetOutputPixelFormat( image.GetPixelIDValue() );
    sitk::Image outputImage = caster.Execute( blurredImage );

    // write the image
    sitk::ImageFileWriter writer;
    writer.SetFileName ( std::string ( argv[3] ) );
    writer.Execute ( outputImage );

    return 0;
}
```

# C#

```
using System;
using itk.simple;

namespace itk.simple.examples {
    class SimpleGaussian {
        static void Main(string[] args) {
            try {
                if (args.Length < 3) {
                    Console.WriteLine("Usage: SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>");
                    return;
                }

                // Read input image
                ImageFileReader reader = new ImageFileReader();
                reader.SetFileName(args[0]);
                Image image = reader.Execute();

                // Execute Gaussian smoothing filter
                SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter gaussian =
                    new SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter();
                gaussian.SetSigma(Double.Parse(args[1]));
                image = gaussian.Execute(image);

                // Write output image
                ImageFileWriter writer = new ImageFileWriter();
                writer.SetFileName(args[2]);
                writer.Execute(image);

            } catch (Exception ex) {
                Console.WriteLine(ex);
            }
        }
    }
}
```

# Java

```
import org.itk.simple.*;

class SimpleGaussian {

    public static void main(String argv[] ) {

        if ( argv.length < 3 ) {
            System.out.println("Usage: java SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>");
            return;
        }

        org.itk.simple.ImageFileReader reader = new org.itk.simple.ImageFileReader();
        reader.setFileName(argv[0]);
        Image img = reader.execute();

        SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter filter =
            new SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter();
        filter.setSigma( Double.valueOf( argv[1] ).doubleValue() );
        Image blurredImg = filter.execute(img);

        CastImageFilter caster = new CastImageFilter();
        caster.setOutputPixelType( img.getPixelIDValue() );
        Image castImg = caster.execute( blurredImg );

        ImageFileWriter writer = new ImageFileWriter();
        writer.setFileName(argv[2]);
        writer.execute( castImg );

    }

}
```

# Lua

```
if #arg < 3 then
  print ( "Usage: SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>" )
  os.exit ( 1 )
end

reader = SimpleITK.ImageFileReader()
-- Remember that Lua arrays are 1-based,
-- and that arg does not contain the application name!
reader:SetFileName ( arg[1] )
image = reader:Execute();

inputPixelType = image:GetPixelIDValue()

gaussian = SimpleITK.SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter()
gaussian:SetSigma ( arg[2] )
image = gaussian:Execute ( image );

caster = SimpleITK.CastImageFilter();
caster:SetOutputPixelType( inputPixelType );
image = caster:Execute( image )

writer = SimpleITK.ImageFileWriter()
writer:SetFileName ( arg[3] )
writer:Execute ( image );
```

# Python

```
import SimpleITK as sitk
import sys

if len ( sys.argv ) < 4:
    print "Usage: SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>";
    sys.exit ( 1 )

reader = sitk.ImageFileReader()
reader.SetFileName ( sys.argv[1] )
image = reader.Execute()

pixelID = image.GetPixelIDValue()

gaussian = sitk.SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter()
gaussian.SetSigma ( float ( sys.argv[2] ) )
image = gaussian.Execute ( image )

caster = sitk.CastImageFilter()
caster.SetOutputPixelType( pixelID )
image = caster.Execute( image )

writer = sitk.ImageFileWriter()
writer.SetFileName ( sys.argv[3] )
writer.Execute ( image );
```

# R

```
library(SimpleITK)

args <- commandArgs( TRUE )

myreader <- ImageFileReader()
myreader$SetFileName( args[[1]] )
myimage <- myreader$Execute()

pixeltype <- myimage$GetPixelID()

myfilter <- SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter()
myfilter$SetSigma( as.numeric( args[2] ) )
smoothedimage <- myfilter$Execute( myimage )

mycaster <- CastImageFilter()
mycaster$SetOutputPixelType( pixeltype )
castedimage <- mycaster$Execute( smoothedimage )

mywriter <- ImageFileWriter()
mywriter$SetFileName( args[[3]] )
mywriter$Execute( castedimage )
```

# Ruby

```
require 'simpleitk'

if ARGV.length != 3 then
  puts "Usage: SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>";
  exit( 1 )
end

reader = Simpleitk::ImageFileReader.new
reader.set_file_name( ARGV[0] )
image = reader.execute

inputPixelType = image.get_pixel_idvalue

gaussian = Simpleitk::SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter.new
gaussian.set_sigma ARGV[1].to_f
image = gaussian.execute image;

caster = Simpleitk::CastImageFilter.new
caster.set_output_pixel_type inputPixelType
image = caster.execute image

writer = Simpleitk::ImageFileWriter.new
writer.set_file_name ARGV[2]
writer.execute image
```

# Tcl

```
if { $argc < 3 } {
    puts "Usage: SimpleGaussian <input> <sigma> <output>"
    exit 1
}

ImageFileReader reader
reader SetFileName [ lindex $argv 0 ]
set image [ reader Execute ]

set pixelID [ $image GetPixelIDValue ]

SmoothingRecursiveGaussianImageFilter gaussian
gaussian SetSigma [ lindex $argv 1 ]
set image [ gaussian Execute $image ]

CastImageFilter caster
caster SetOutputPixelType $pixelID
set image [ caster Execute $image ]

ImageFileWriter writer
writer SetFileName [ lindex $argv 2 ]
writer Execute $image

# Tcl requires explicit cleanup Cleanup
reader -delete
gaussian -delete
caster -delete
$image -delete
writer -delete
```

# ITK and JavaScript - the Future is Here!

ITK in Biomedical Research and Commercial  
Applications

SPIE Medical Imaging, 2016

Matthew McCormick, PhD., Kitware, Inc.

# JavaScript Background

# JavaScript: Language of the Web Browser

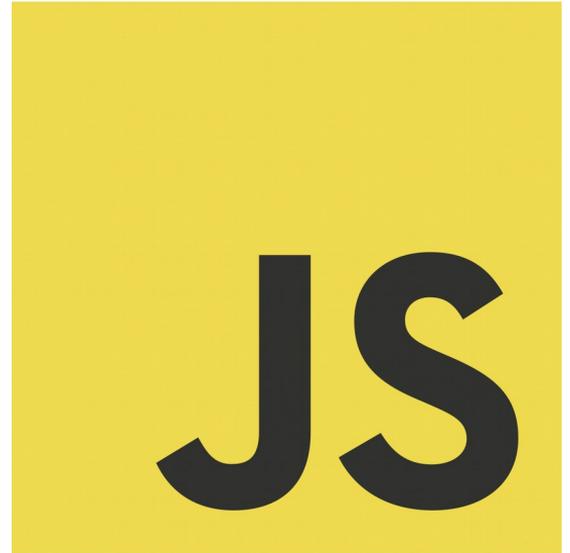
The only programming language universally available in web browsers is JavaScript. JavaScript first appeared in **1995** with the Netscape browser, and it was first standardized in the **ECMAScript** language specification in 1997.



Brendan Eich

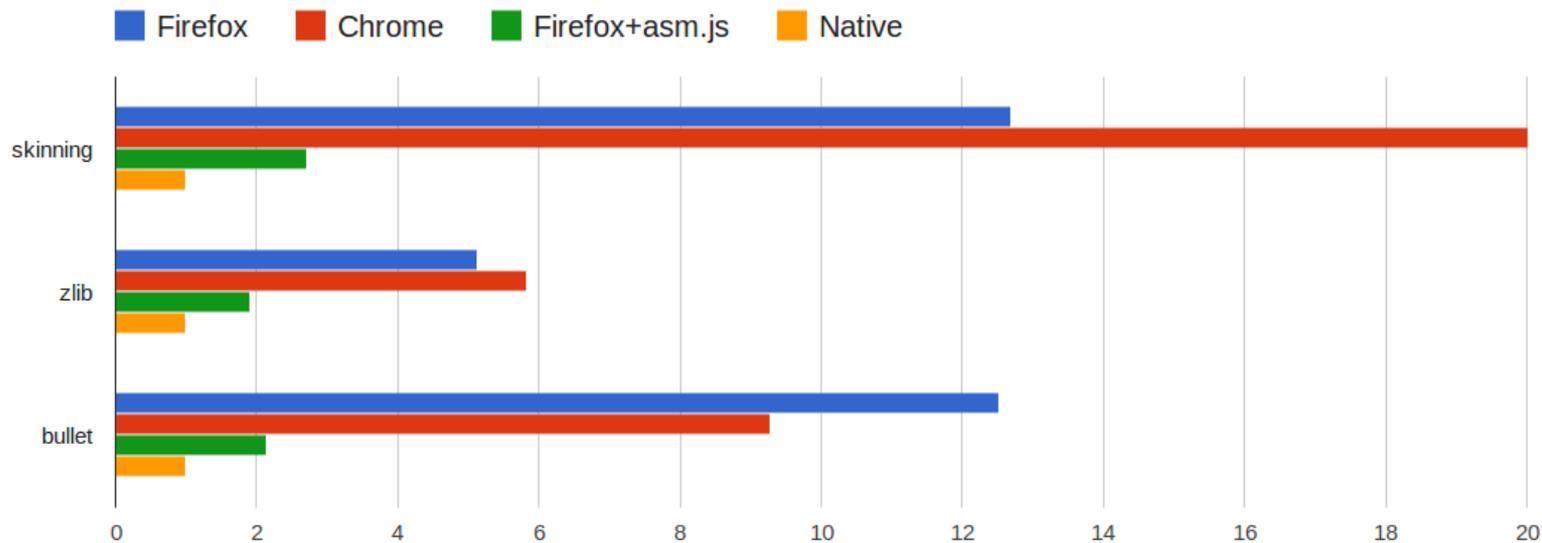
# JavaScript: Language of the Web Browser (cont.)

While it was initially used to provide limited interactivity to web pages, the advent of asynchronous JavaScript and XML in **2005** began the development of featureful **web applications**.



# JavaScript: Relevant to Scientific Computing

The introduction of highly optimized JavaScript interpreters and technologies like *asm.js* in **2013** made JavaScript's performance relevant to scientific applications.



*Run time normalized to Native (clang -O2), lower values are better*

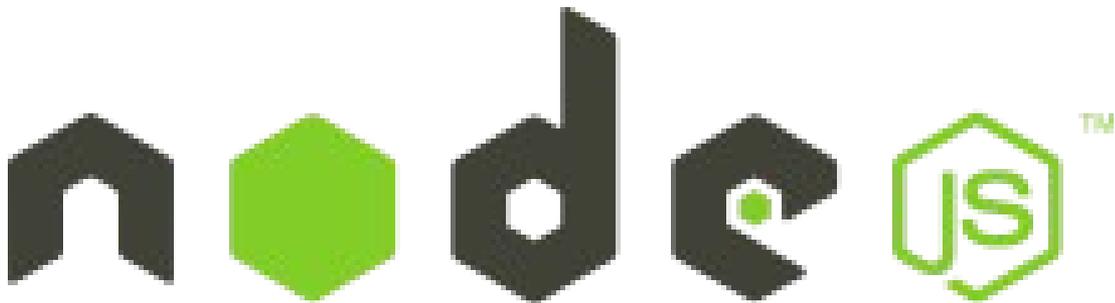
# Node.js

The Node.js allows JavaScript to be executed on a workstation or server

The *node* executable is a JavaScript interpreter: `$node myscript.js argv1`

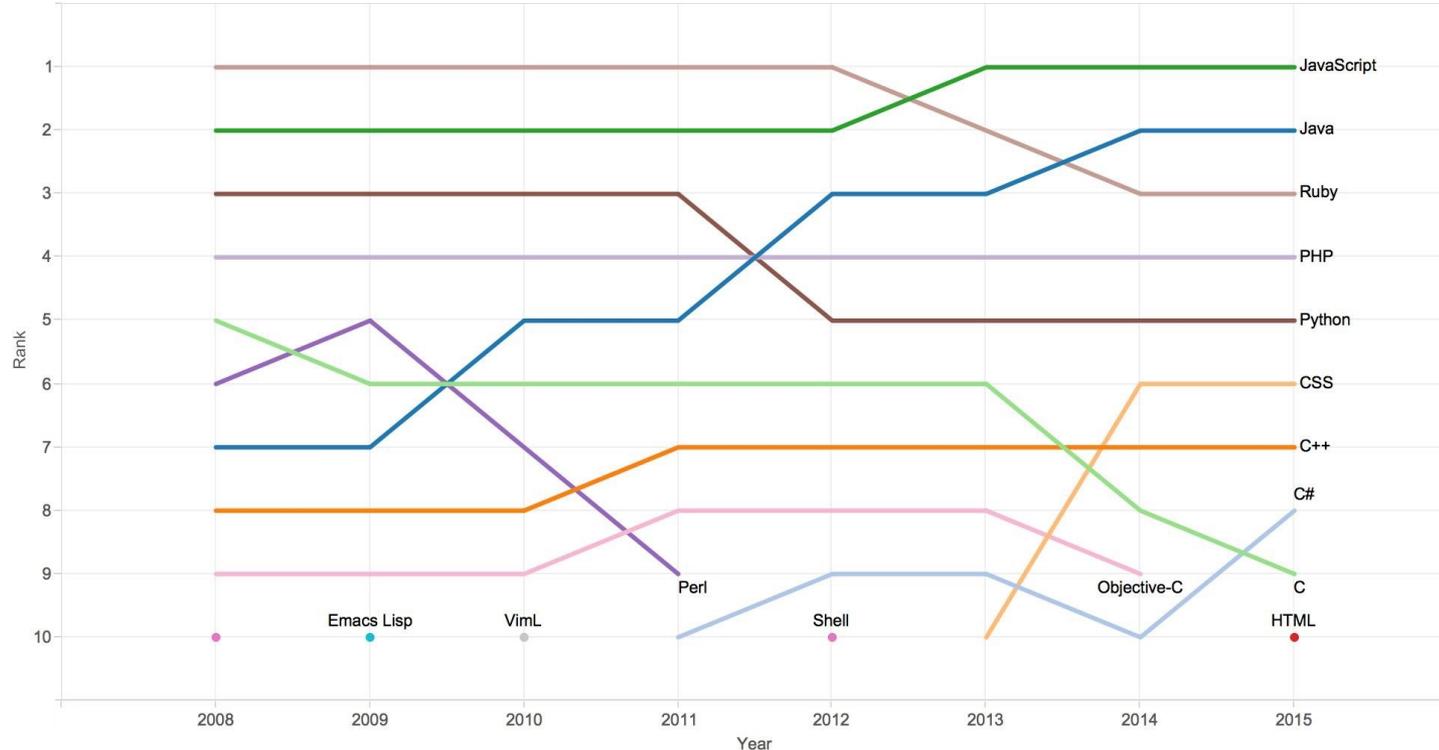
Node.js is useful for testing

The JavaScript ecosystem is dominated by the Node Package Manager, *npm*



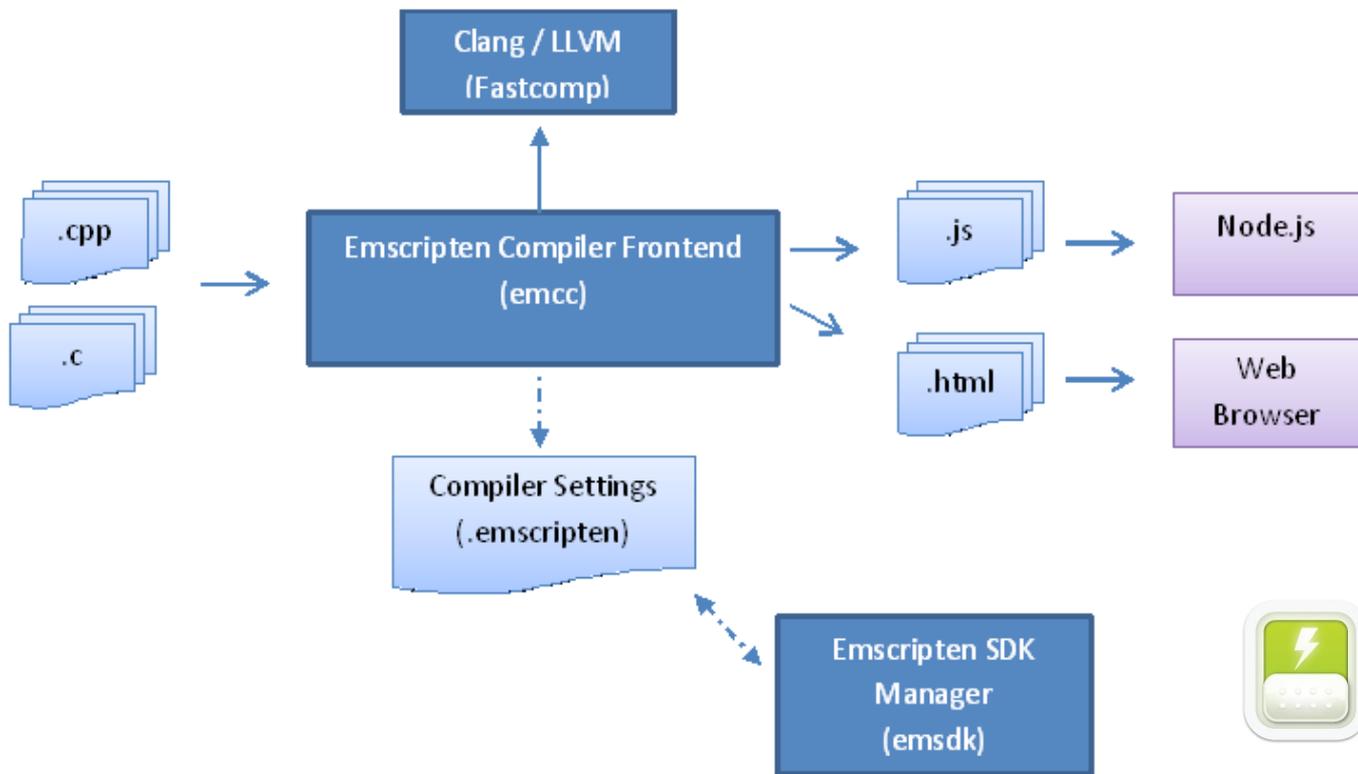
# The most popular language on GitHub: JavaScript

Rank of top languages on GitHub.com over time



# Compiling ITK to JavaScript

# Emscripten: Compile C++ to Highly Optimized JS



**emscripten**

# CMake + ITK + Emscripten = JavaScript

CMake has excellent cross-compilation capabilities

CMake can use Emscripten as a cross-compilation toolchain

Docker can be used to provide a quick setup of CMake + Emscripten

<https://blog.kitware.com/compile-cc-into-javascript-with-emscripten-and-docker/>

All of ITK's default modules (including third-party modules) and their tests can

Expected Nightly Exotic										
Site	Build Name	Update	Configure		Build		Test			Build Time
		Files	Error	Warn	Error	Warn	Not Run	Fail	Pass	
ekborado.kitware	 Emscripten-Javascript 	0	0	0	0	0	0	53 <sub>-1</sub>	2159 <sup>+1</sup>	14 hours ago

# ITK Emscripten Tips

Re-use ITK C++ executables without modification!

Build against an ITK built with Emscripten, and use `CMAKE_TOOLCHAIN_FILE`

`find_package(ITK COMPONENTS ModuleA ...` is critical to reduce the output JavaScript file size

Understand the limitations and approaches available to allow Node.js to access the local filesystem

See the ITK TestDriver code for reference

# A Reproducible Publication Example

<http://insightsoftwareconsortium.github.io/ITKAnisotropicDiffusionLBR/>

The screenshot displays the ITKAnisotropicDiffusionLBR web application interface, which is organized into several functional panels:

- Input Image:** A panel on the top left showing a noisy grayscale image of the Pac-Man character. Below the image is a "Browse" button and the text "No file selected." The filename "PacMan.png" is displayed at the bottom.
- Output Image:** A panel on the top right showing the filtered result of the image, where the noise has been removed. It includes a "Download" button and the filename "PacManFiltered.png".
- Figure Presets:** A central panel containing a grid of 12 small image thumbnails, each with a radio button and a label (e.g., "Figure 2.II", "Figure 2.III", "Figure 2.IV", "Figure 3.II", "Figure 3.III", "Figure 3.IV", "Figure 6.II", "Figure 6.III", "Figure 6.IV", "Figure 8.II", "Figure 8.III", "Figure 8.V", "Figure 8.VI").
- Parameters:** A panel on the bottom right with a light blue header, containing various adjustable parameters with sliders and dropdown menus:
  - Diffusion: 0.5
  - Time,  $T$ : 50
  - Lambda,  $\lambda$ : 0.5 (range 0.0001 to 0.0001)
  - Weickert Diffusion Type: Conservative Edge Enhancing Diffusion (dropdown menu)
  - Noise Scale,  $\sigma$ : 0.5
  - Feature Scale,  $\rho$ : 2.0
  - Exponent,  $m$ : 1.0
- Execution:** A panel at the bottom with a blue header and a large blue "EXECUTE" button.

At the bottom of the page, there are logos for "enscripten", "itk", and "Kitware".

# What's Next



# JavaScript Performance Improvements

Multi-threaded parallelism (?)

WebAssembly

Even faster

Smaller generated code



# JavaScript Applications on the Desktop and Mobile



ELECTRON

Build cross platform desktop apps with web technologies

Formerly known as Atom Shell. Made with ❤️ by GitHub.



APACHE  
CORDOVA™

# ITKBridgeJavaScript Module

JavaScript / Emscripten interface to itk::Image

....

Juan Carlos Prieto, Matt McCormick, and You!

<https://github.com/InsightSoftwareConsortium/ITKBridgeJavaScript>

# 4\_a\_SimpleITK\_Segmentation

February 28, 2016

## 1 Introduction to ITK Segmentation in SimpleITK Notebooks

Goal: To become familiar with basic segmentation algorithms available in ITK, and interactively explore their parameter space.

Image segmentation filters process an image to partition it into (hopefully) meaningful regions. The output is commonly an image of integers where each integer can represent an object. The value 0 is commonly used for the background, and 1 ( sometimes 255) for a foreground object.

```
In [1]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        %matplotlib inline
        from ipywidgets import interact, FloatSlider

        from __future__ import print_function

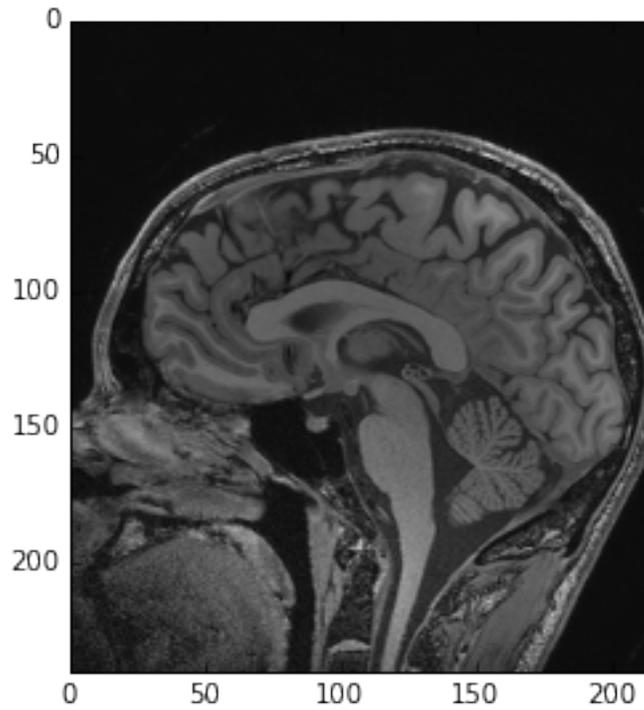
        import SimpleITK as sitk

        # Download data to work on
        from downloaddata import fetch_data as fdata
        from myshow import myshow, myshow3d

In [2]: img_T1 = sitk.ReadImage(fdata("nac-hncma-atlas2013-Slicer4Version/Data/A1_grayT1.nrrd"))
        img_T2 = sitk.ReadImage(fdata("nac-hncma-atlas2013-Slicer4Version/Data/A1_grayT2.nrrd"))

        # To visualize the labels image in RGB with needs a image with 0-255 range
        img_T1_255 = sitk.Cast(sitk.RescaleIntensity(img_T1), sitk.sitkUInt8)
        img_T2_255 = sitk.Cast(sitk.RescaleIntensity(img_T2), sitk.sitkUInt8)

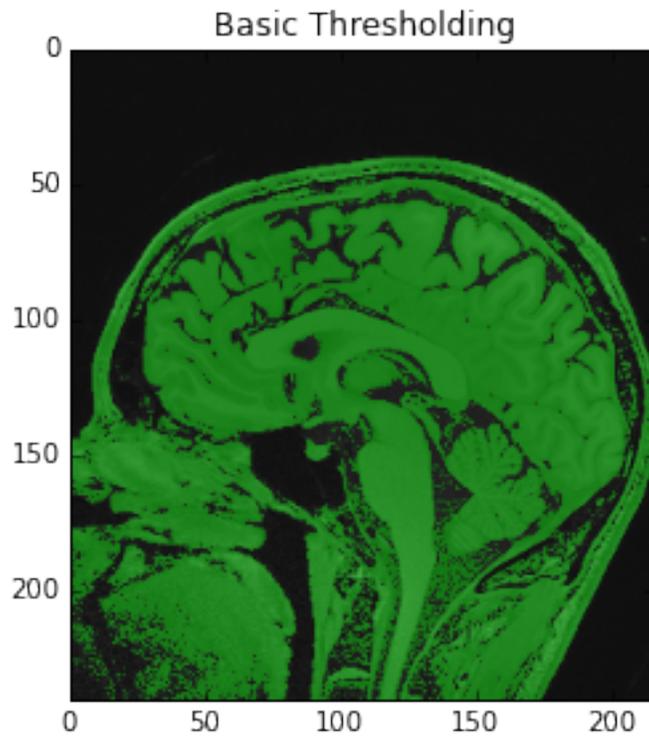
        myshow3d(img_T1)
```



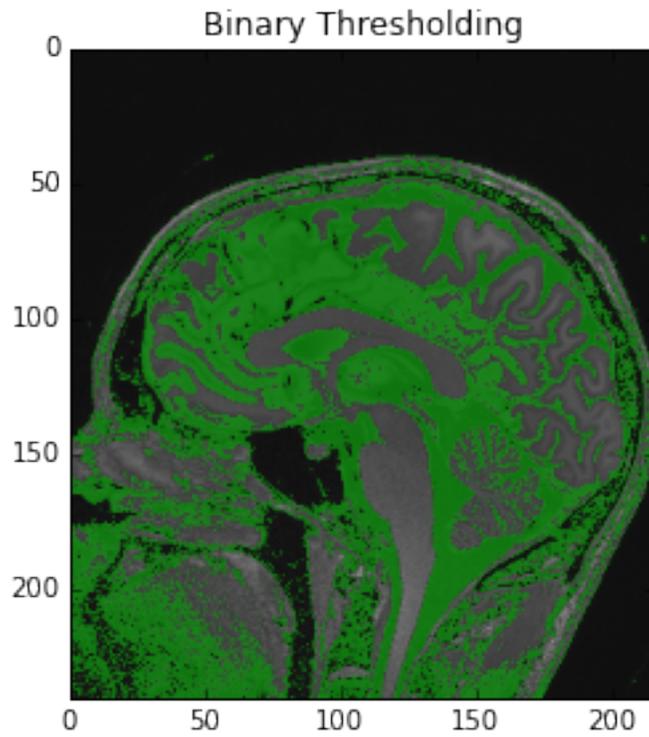
## 1.1 Thresholding

Thresholding is the most basic form of segmentation. It simply labels the pixels of an image based on the intensity range without respect to geometry or connectivity.

```
In [3]: seg = img_T1>200  
        myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "Basic Thresholding")
```



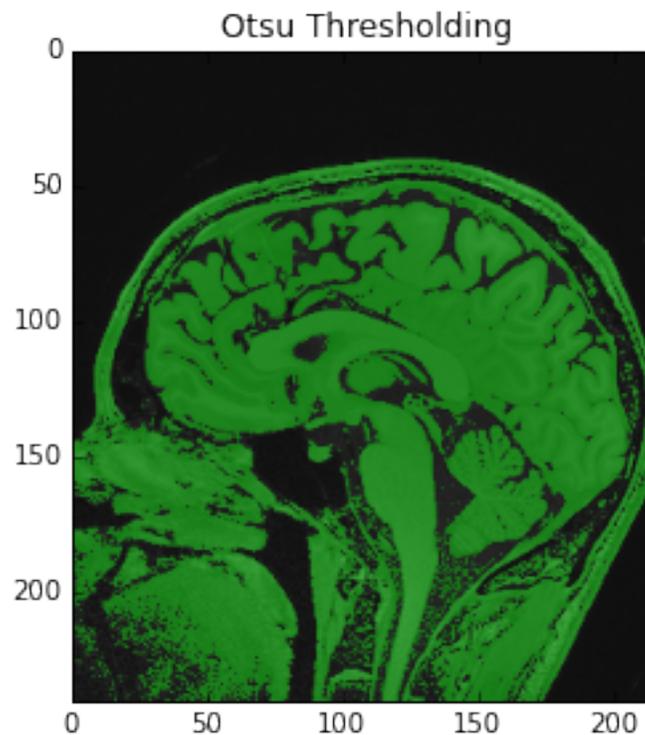
```
In [4]: seg = sitk.BinaryThreshold(img_T1, lowerThreshold=100, upperThreshold=400, insideValue=1, outsideValue=0)  
        myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "Binary Thresholding")
```



ITK has a number of histogram based automatic thresholding filters including Haung, MaximumEntropy, Triangle, and the popular Otsu's method. These methods create a histogram then use a heuristic to determine a threshold value.

```
In [5]: otsu_filter = sitk.OtsuThresholdImageFilter()
otsu_filter.SetInsideValue(0)
otsu_filter.SetOutsideValue(1)
seg = otsu_filter.Execute(img_T1)
myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "Otsu Thresholding")

print(otsu_filter.GetThreshold() )
```



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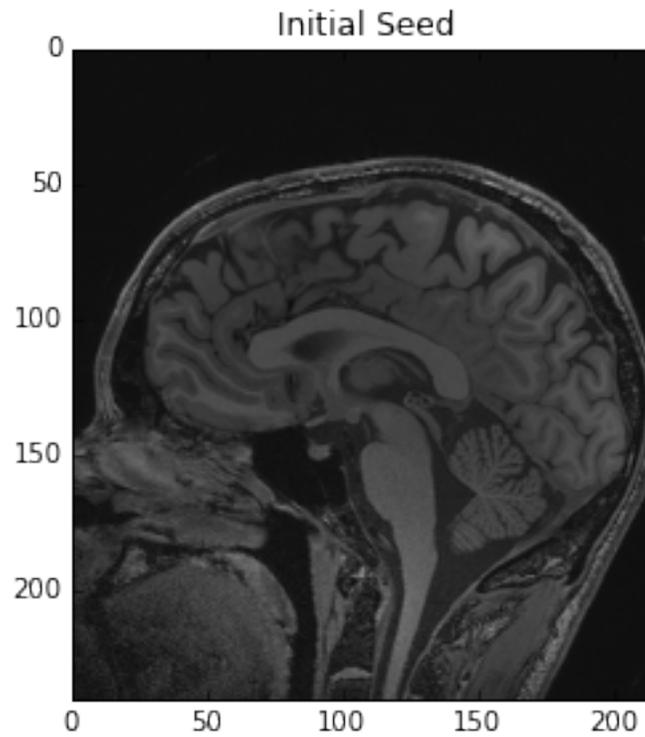
## 1.2 Region Growing Segmentation

The first step of improvement upon the naive thresholding is a class of algorithms called region growing. This includes:

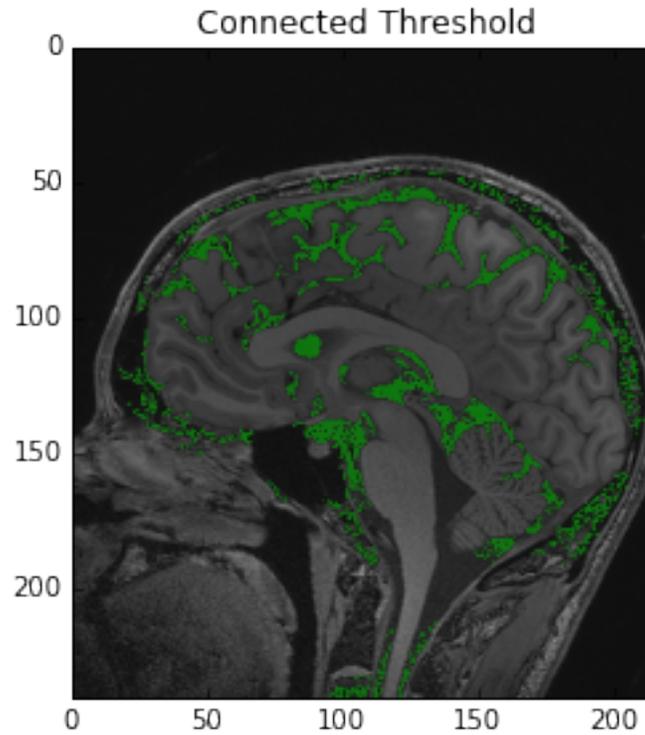
- ConnectedThreshold
- ConfidenceConnected
- VectorConfidenceConnected
- NeighborhoodConnected

Earlier we used 3D Slicer to determine that index: (136,139,97) was a good seed for the left lateral ventricle.

```
In [6]: seed = (132,142,96)
        seg = sitk.Image(img_T1.GetSize(), sitk.sitkUInt8)
        seg.CopyInformation(img_T1)
        seg[seed] = 1
        seg = sitk.BinaryDilate(seg, 3)
        myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "Initial Seed")
```



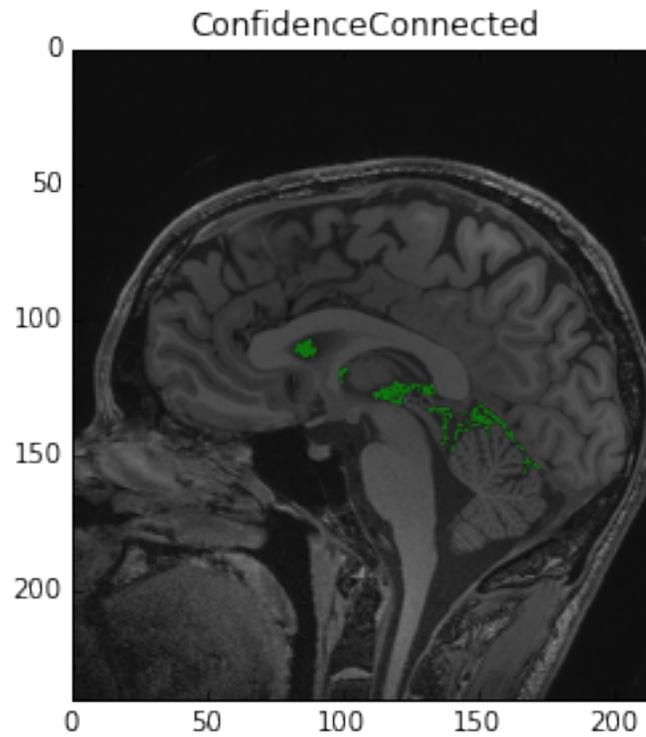
```
In [7]: seg = sitk.ConnectedThreshold(img_T1, seedList=[seed], lower=100, upper=190)
        myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "Connected Threshold")
```



Improving upon this is the `ConfidenceConnected` filter, which uses the initial seed or current segmentation to estimate the threshold range.

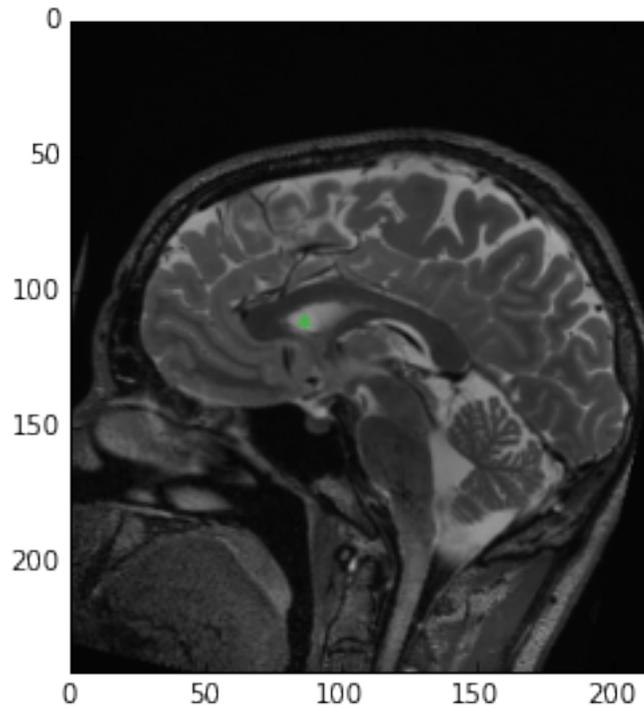
```
In [8]: seg = sitk.ConfidenceConnected(img_T1, seedList=[seed],
                                       numberOfIterations=1,
                                       multiplier=2.5,
                                       initialNeighborhoodRadius=1,
                                       replaceValue=1)

myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, seg), "ConfidenceConnected")
```



```
In [9]: img_multi = sitk.Compose(img_T1, img_T2)
        seg = sitk.VectorConfidenceConnected(img_multi, seedList=[seed],
                                             numberOfIterations=1,
                                             multiplier=2.5,
                                             initialNeighborhoodRadius=1)

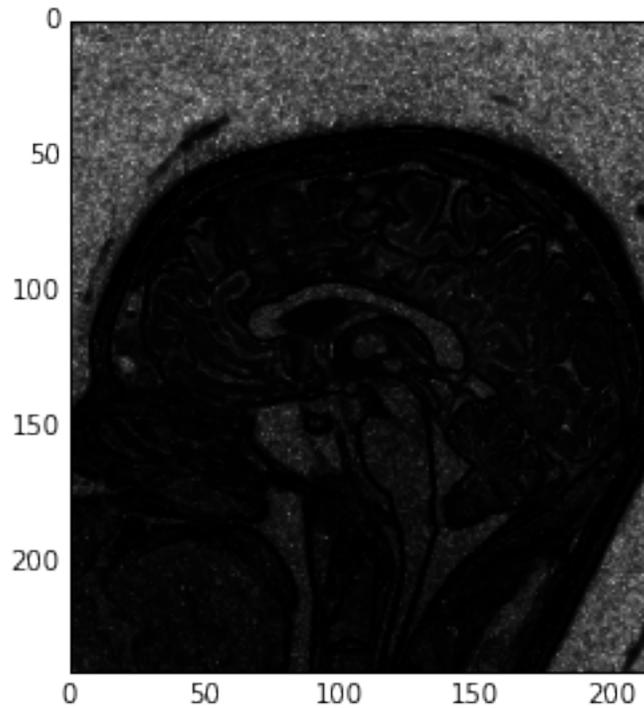
        myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T2_255, seg))
```



### 1.3 Fast Marching Segmentation

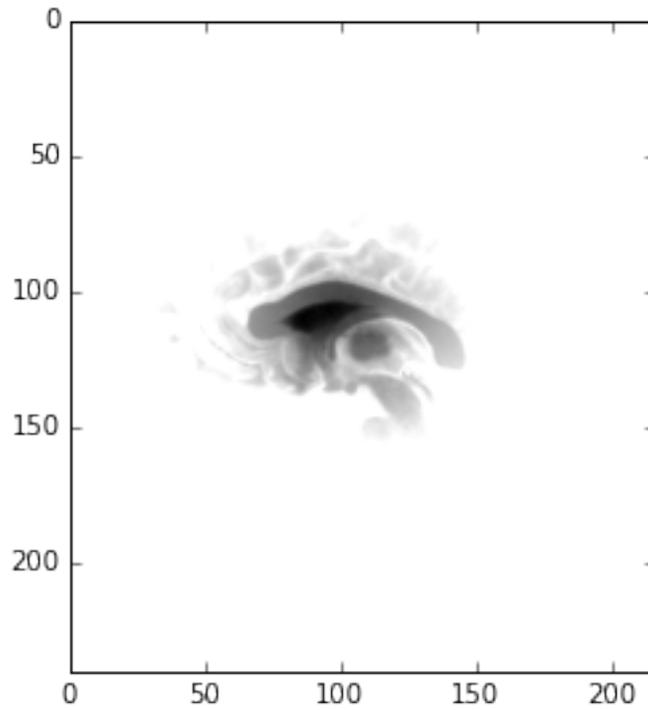
The `FastMarchingImageFilter` implements a fast marching solution to a simple level set evolution problem (eikonal equation). In this example, the speed term used in the differential equation is provided in the form of an image. The speed image is based on the gradient magnitude and mapped with the bounded reciprocal  $1/(1+x)$ .

```
In [10]: seed = (132,142,96)
         feature_img = sitk.GradientMagnitudeRecursiveGaussian(img_T1, sigma=.5)
         speed_img = sitk.BoundedReciprocal(feature_img) # This is parameter free unlike the Sigmoid
         myshow(speed_img)
```

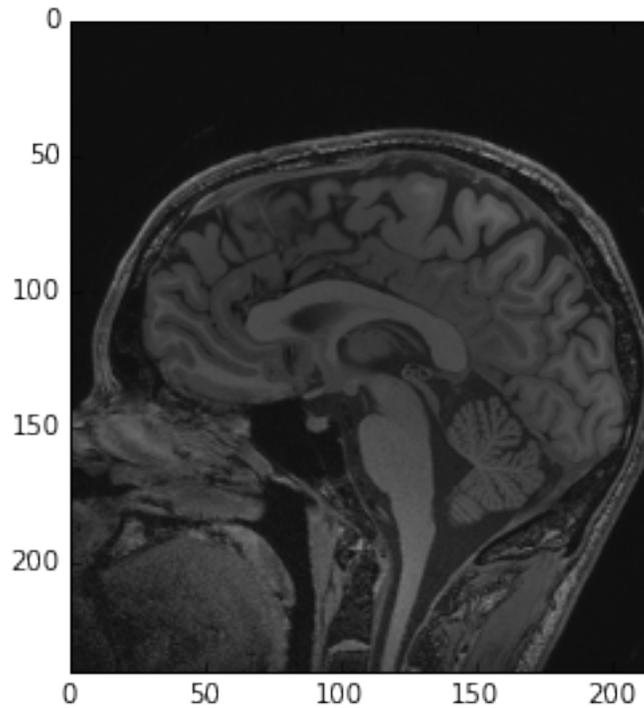


The output of the FastMarchingImageFilter is a time-crossing map that indicates, for each pixel, how much time it would take for the front to arrive at the pixel location.

```
In [11]: fm_filter = sitk.FastMarchingBaseImageFilter()
          fm_filter.SetTrialPoints([seed])
          fm_filter.SetStoppingValue(1000)
          fm_img = fm_filter.Execute(speed_img)
          myshow(sitk.Threshold(fm_img,
                                lower=0.0,
                                upper=fm_filter.GetStoppingValue(),
                                outsideValue=fm_filter.GetStoppingValue()+1))
```



```
In [12]: def fm_callback(img, time, z):  
         seg = img<time;  
         myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255[:, :, z], seg[:, :, z]))  
  
         interact( lambda **kwargs: fm_callback(fm_img, **kwargs),  
                  time=FloatSlider(min=0.05, max=1000.0, step=0.05, value=100.0),  
                  z=(0, fm_img.GetSize()[2]-1))
```



Out [12]: <function \_\_main\_\_.<lambda>>

## 1.4 Level-Set Segmentation

There are a variety of level-set based segmentation filter available in ITK:

- GeodesicActiveContour
- ShapeDetection
- ThresholdSegmentation
- LaplacianSegmentation
- ScalarChanAndVese

There is also a modular Level-set framework which allows composition of terms and easy extension in C++.

First we create a label image from our seed.

In [13]: `seed = (132,142,96)`

```
seg = sitk.Image(img_T1.GetSize(), sitk.sitkUInt8)
seg.CopyInformation(img_T1)
seg[seed] = 1
seg = sitk.BinaryDilate(seg, 3)
```

Use the seed to estimate a reasonable threshold range.

In [14]: `stats = sitk.LabelStatisticsImageFilter()
stats.Execute(img_T1, seg)`

```
factor = 3.5
lower_threshold = stats.GetMean(1)-factor*stats.GetSigma(1)
```

```
upper_threshold = stats.GetMean(1)+factor*stats.GetSigma(1)
print(lower_threshold,upper_threshold)
```

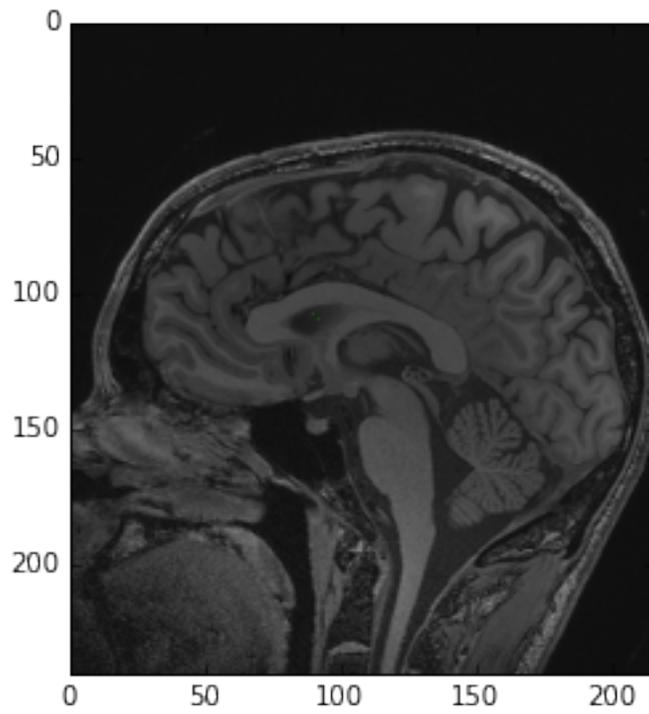
81.2518454131 175.008446683

```
In [15]: init_ls = sitk.SignedMaurerDistanceMap(seg, insideIsPositive=True, useImageSpacing=True)
```

```
In [16]: lsFilter = sitk.ThresholdSegmentationLevelSetImageFilter()
lsFilter.SetLowerThreshold(lower_threshold)
lsFilter.SetUpperThreshold(upper_threshold)
lsFilter.SetMaximumRMSError(0.02)
lsFilter.SetNumberOfIterations(1000)
lsFilter.SetCurvatureScaling(.5)
lsFilter.SetPropagationScaling(1)
lsFilter.ReverseExpansionDirectionOn()
ls = lsFilter.Execute(init_ls, sitk.Cast(img_T1, sitk.sitkFloat32))
print(lsFilter)
```

```
itk::simple::ThresholdSegmentationLevelSetImageFilter
LowerThreshold: 81.2518
UpperThreshold: 175.008
MaximumRMSError: 0.02
PropagationScaling: 1
CurvatureScaling: 0.5
NumberOfIterations: 1000
ReverseExpansionDirection: 1
ElapsedIterations: 119
RMSChange: 0.0180966
Debug: 0
NumberOfThreads: 8
Commands: (none)
ProgressMeasurement: 0.119
ActiveProcess: (none)
```

```
In [17]: myshow(sitk.LabelOverlay(img_T1_255, ls>0))
```



# 4\_b\_SimpleITK\_Registration

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Introduction to ITK Registration in SimpleITK Notebooks

SimpleITK features:

Registration is either 2D/2D or 3D/3D.

Pixel types are either `sitkFloat32` or `sitkFloat64` (use the `SimpleITK Cast()` function if your image's pixel type is something else).

There are many options for creating an instance of the registration framework, all of which are configured in SimpleITK via methods of the `ImageRegistrationMethod` class. This class encapsulates many of the components available in ITK for constructing a registration instance.

## 0.1 Registration Components

Currently, the available choices from the following groups of ITK components are:

### 0.1.1 Optimizers

The SimpleITK registration framework supports several optimizer types via the `SetMetricAsX()` methods, these include:

- Exhaustive

- Nelder-Mead downhill simplex, a.k.a. Amoeba.

- Variations on gradient descent:

  - GradientDescent

  - GradientDescentLineSearch

  - RegularStepGradientDescent

  - ConjugateGradientLineSearch

  - L-BFGS-B (Limited memory Broyden, Fletcher,Goldfarb,Shannon-Bound Constrained) - supports the use of simple constraints ( $l \leq x \leq u$ )

### 0.1.2 Similarity metrics

The SimpleITK registration framework supports several metric types via the `SetMetricAsX()` methods, these include:

- MeanSquares

- Demons

- Correlation

- ANTSNeighborhoodCorrelation

- JointHistogramMutualInformation

- MattesMutualInformation

### 0.1.3 Interpolators

The SimpleITK registration framework supports several interpolators via the `SetInterpolator()` method, which receives one of the following enumerations:

- `sitkNearestNeighbor`

```

sitkLinear
sitkBSpline
sitkGaussian
sitkHammingWindowedSinc
sitkCosineWindowedSinc
sitkWelchWindowedSinc
sitkLanczosWindowedSinc
sitkBlackmanWindowedSinc

```

```
In [1]: import SimpleITK as sitk
```

```

from __future__ import print_function

# Utility method that either downloads data from the MIDAS repository or
# if already downloaded returns the file name for reading from disk (cached data).
from downloaddata import fetch_data as fdata

# Always write output to a separate directory, we don't want to pollute the source directory.
import os
OUTPUT_DIR = 'Output'

```

## 0.2 Utility functions

Callback functions for image display and for plotting the similarity metric during registration.

```
In [2]: %matplotlib inline
        %run registration_utilities.py
```

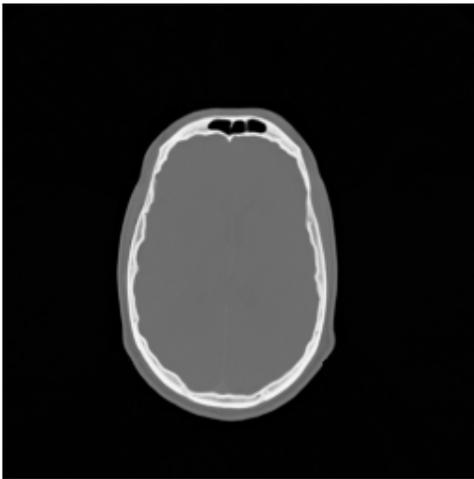
## 0.3 Read images

We first read the images, casting the pixel type to that required for registration (Float32 or Float64) and look at them.

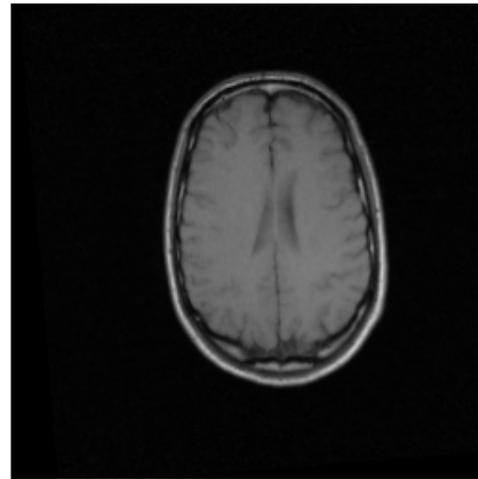
```
In [3]: fixed_image = sitk.ReadImage(fdata("RIRE/training_001_ct.mha"), sitk.sitkFloat32)
        moving_image = sitk.ReadImage(fdata("RIRE/training_001_mr_T1.mha"), sitk.sitkFloat32)

        interact(lambda image1_z, image2_z, image1, image2,:display_scalar_images(image1_z, image2_z, image1,
                                                                                   image2,
                                                                                   title1='fixed image',
                                                                                   title2 = 'moving image'),
                 image1_z=(0, fixed_image.GetSize()[2]-1),
                 image2_z=(0, moving_image.GetSize()[2]-1),
                 image1 = fixed(fixed_image),
                 image2=fixed(moving_image));
```

fixed image



moving image

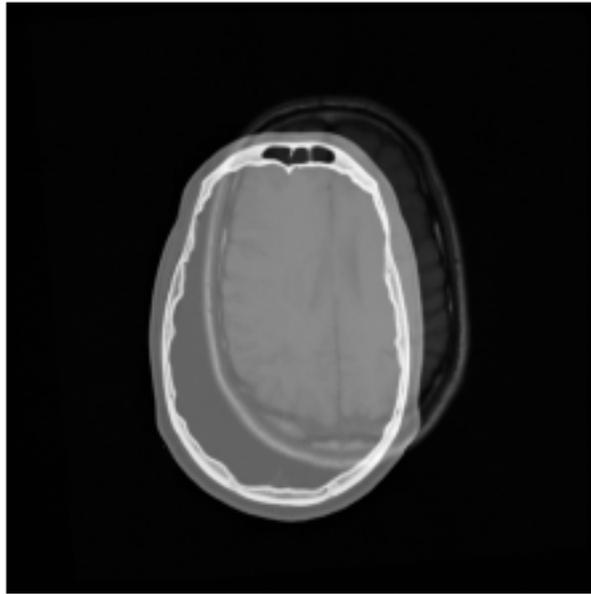


## 0.4 Initial Alignment

Use the `CenteredTransformInitializer` to align the centers of the two volumes and set the center of rotation to the center of the fixed image.

```
In [4]: initial_transform = sitk.CenteredTransformInitializer(fixed_image,
                                                            moving_image,
                                                            sitk.Euler3DTransform(),
                                                            sitk.CenteredTransformInitializerFilter.GEOMETRIC)

display_registration_results(fixed_image, moving_image, initial_transform)
print(initial_transform)
```



```
itk::simple::Transform
Euler3DTransform (0x252c450)
  RTTI typeinfo:  itk::Euler3DTransform<double>
  Reference Count: 1
  Modified Time: 1829
  Debug: Off
  Object Name:
  Observers:
    none
  Matrix:
    1 0 0
    0 1 0
    0 0 1
  Offset: [-7.61852, -7.61852, -6]
  Center: [166.994, 166.994, 56]
  Translation: [-7.61852, -7.61852, -6]
  Inverse:
    1 0 0
    0 1 0
    0 0 1
  Singular: 0
  Euler's angles: AngleX=0 AngleY=0 AngleZ=0
  m_ComputeZYX = 0
```

## 0.5 Registration - Understanding Your Input and Output

The specific registration task at hand estimates a 3D rigid transformation between images of different modalities. There are multiple components from each group (optimizers, similarity metrics, interpolators) that are appropriate for the task. Note that each component selection requires setting some parameter values. We have made the following choices:

Similarity metric, mutual information (Mattes MI):  
Number of histogram bins, 50.  
Sampling strategy, random.  
Sampling percentage, 1%.  
Interpolator, sitkLinear.  
Optimizer, gradient descent:  
Learning rate, step size along traversal direction in parameter space, 1.0 .  
Number of iterations, maximal number of iterations, 60.

### 0.5.1 Version 1 - Classic

Use the v4 registration framework in the ITK v3 manner.

```
In [5]: registration_method = sitk.ImageRegistrationMethod()

registration_method.SetMetricAsMattesMutualInformation(numberOfHistogramBins=50)
registration_method.SetMetricSamplingStrategy(registration_method.RANDOM)
registration_method.SetMetricSamplingPercentage(0.01)

registration_method.SetInterpolator(sitk.sitkLinear)

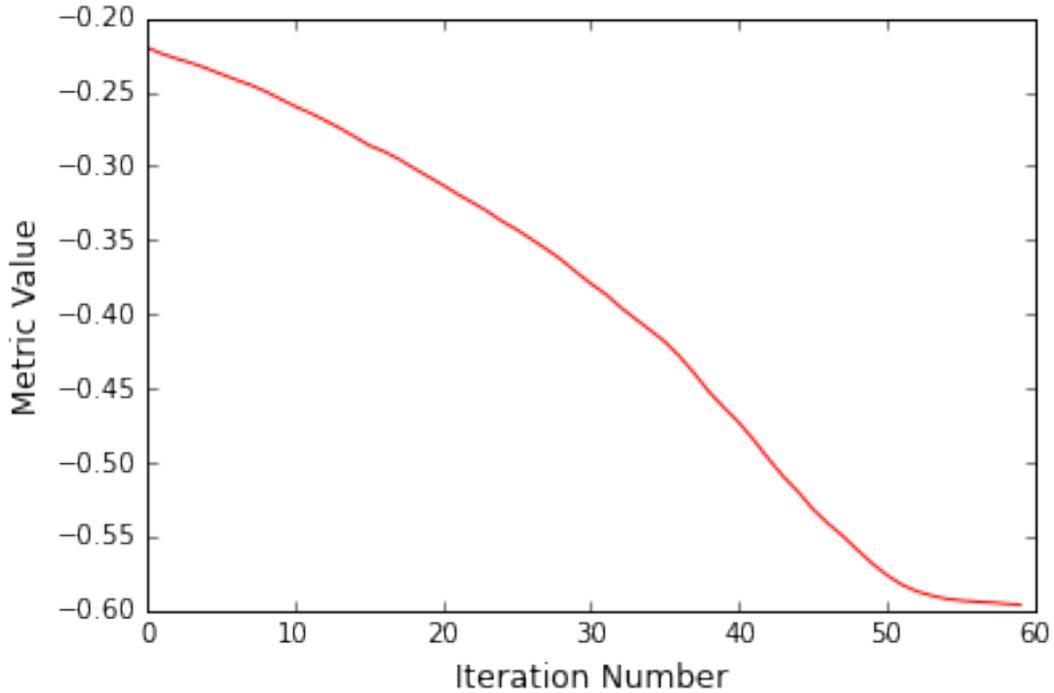
registration_method.SetOptimizerAsGradientDescent(learningRate=1.0, numberOfIterations=60)
registration_method.SetOptimizerScalesFromPhysicalShift()

registration_method.SetInitialTransform(initial_transform, inplace=False)

registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkStartEvent, metric_start_plot)
registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkEndEvent, metric_end_plot)
registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkIterationEvent,
                                lambda: metric_plot_values(registration_method))

final_transform_v1 = registration_method.Execute(fixed_image, moving_image)

print(final_transform_v1)
```



```

itk::simple::Transform
CompositeTransform (0x25a2860)
RTTI typeinfo:  itk::CompositeTransform<double, 3u>
Reference Count: 1
Modified Time: 325846
Debug: Off
Object Name:
Observers:
  none
Transforms in queue, from begin to end:
>>>>>>>>
Euler3DTransform (0x3605cb0)
RTTI typeinfo:  itk::Euler3DTransform<double>
Reference Count: 1
Modified Time: 325837
Debug: Off
Object Name:
Observers:
  none
Matrix:
  0.999835 0.010531 -0.0147723
  -0.0101895 0.999683 0.023006
  0.0150099 -0.0228516 0.999626
Offset: [17.7146, -31.0683, -19.3129]
Center: [166.994, 166.994, 56]
Translation: [18.6185, -31.5344, -20.6434]
Inverse:
  0.999835 -0.0101895 0.0150099

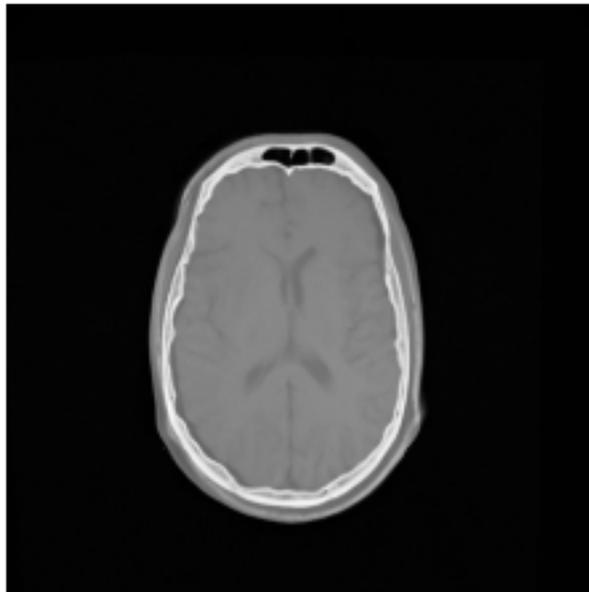
```

```

    0.010531 0.999683 -0.0228516
    -0.0147723 0.023006 0.999626
    Singular: 0
    Euler's angles: AngleX=-0.0228536 AngleY=-0.0150144 AngleZ=-0.010534
    m_ComputeZYX = 0
    End of MultiTransform.
<<<<<<<<<
    TransformsToOptimizeFlags, begin() to end():
    1
    TransformsToOptimize in queue, from begin to end:
    End of TransformsToOptimizeQueue.
<<<<<<<<<
    End of CompositeTransform.
<<<<<<<<<

In [6]: display_registration_results(fixed_image, moving_image, final_transform_v1)
        print('Final metric value: {0}'.format(registration_method.GetMetricValue()))
        print('Optimizer\'s stopping condition, {0}'.format(registration_method.GetOptimizerStopConditionValue()))

```



```

Final metric value: -0.5960219962620066
Optimizer's stopping condition, GradientDescentOptimizerv4Template: Maximum number of iterations (60) reached

```

### 0.5.2 Version 1.1 the v4 approach

The previous example illustrated the use of the ITK v4 registration framework in an ITK v3 manner. We only referred to a single transformation which was what we optimized.

In ITK v4 the registration method accepts three transformations (if you look at the diagram above you will only see two transformations, Moving transform represents  $T_{opt} \circ T_m$ ):

SetInitialTransform,  $T_{opt}$  - composed with the moving initial transform, maps points from the virtual image domain to the moving image domain, modified during optimization.

SetFixedInitialTransform  $T_f$ - maps points from the virtual image domain to the fixed image domain, never modified.

SetMovingInitialTransform  $T_m$ - maps points from the virtual image domain to the moving image domain, never modified.

The transformation that maps points from the fixed to moving image domains is thus:  $M_{\mathbf{P}} = T_{opt}(T_m(T_f^{-1}(F_{\mathbf{P}})))$

We now modify the previous example to use  $T_{opt}$  and  $T_m$ .

```
In [7]: registration_method = sitk.ImageRegistrationMethod()
        registration_method.SetMetricAsMattesMutualInformation(numberOfHistogramBins=50)
        registration_method.SetMetricSamplingStrategy(registration_method.RANDOM)
        registration_method.SetMetricSamplingPercentage(0.01)
        registration_method.SetInterpolator(sitk.sitkLinear)
        registration_method.SetOptimizerAsGradientDescent(learningRate=1.0, numberOfIterations=60)
        registration_method.SetOptimizerScalesFromPhysicalShift()

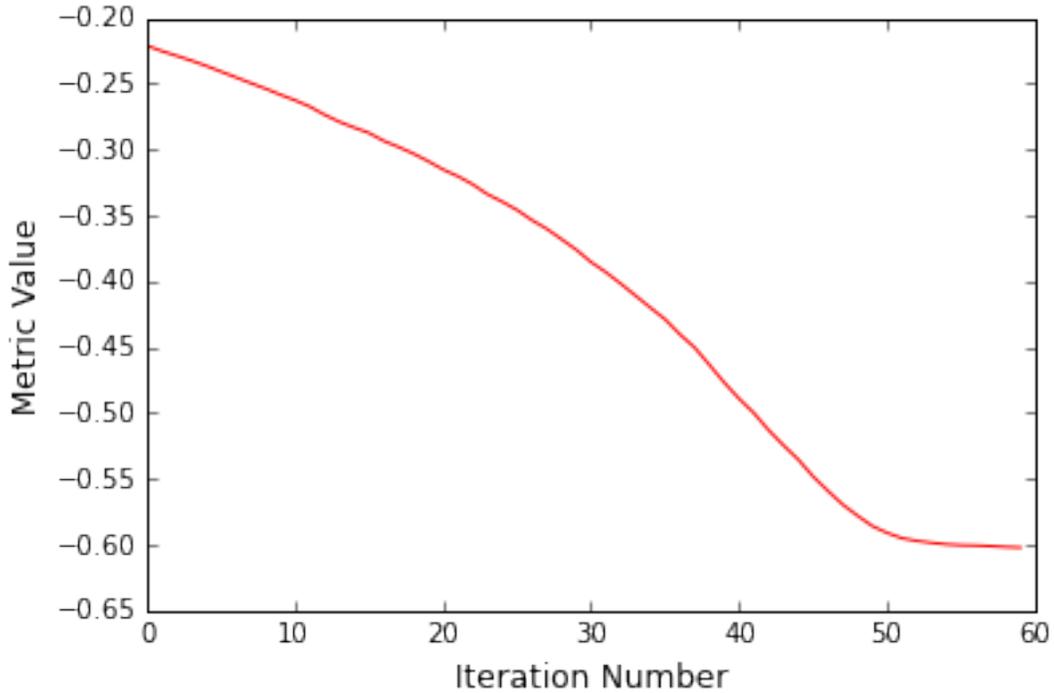
        # Set the initial moving and optimized transforms.
        optimized_transform = sitk.Euler3DTransform()
        registration_method.SetMovingInitialTransform(initial_transform)
        registration_method.SetInitialTransform(optimized_transform)

        registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkStartEvent, metric_start_plot)
        registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkEndEvent, metric_end_plot)
        registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkIterationEvent,
                                       lambda: metric_plot_values(registration_method))

        registration_method.Execute(sitk.Cast(fixed_image, sitk.sitkFloat32),
                                    sitk.Cast(moving_image, sitk.sitkFloat32))

        # Need to compose the transformations after registration.
        final_transform_v11 = sitk.Transform(optimized_transform)
        final_transform_v11.AddTransform(initial_transform)

        print(final_transform_v11)
```



```

itk::simple::Transform
CompositeTransform (0x302dff0)
RTTI typeinfo:  itk::CompositeTransform<double, 3u>
Reference Count: 1
Modified Time: 650010
Debug: Off
Object Name:
Observers:
  none
Transforms in queue, from begin to end:
>>>>>>>>
Euler3DTransform (0x302e300)
RTTI typeinfo:  itk::Euler3DTransform<double>
Reference Count: 1
Modified Time: 650004
Debug: Off
Object Name:
Observers:
  none
Matrix:
  0.999821 0.0133511 -0.0134239
  -0.0130334 0.999639 0.0234811
  0.0137326 -0.0233019 0.999634
Offset: [24.6323, -23.4926, -13.5713]
Center: [166.994, 166.994, 56]
Translation: [26.0802, -24.4144, -15.1898]
Inverse:
  0.999821 -0.0130334 0.0137326

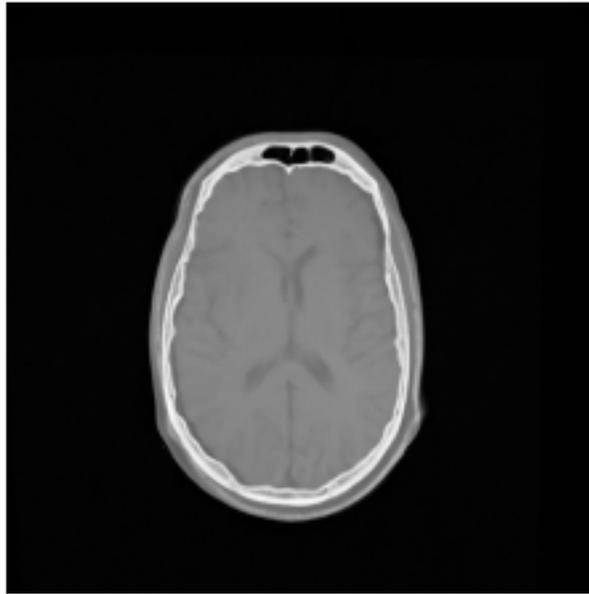
```

```

    0.0133511 0.999639 -0.0233019
    -0.0134239 0.0234811 0.999634
Singular: 0
Euler's angles: AngleX=-0.023304 AngleY=-0.0137367 AngleZ=-0.0133551
m_ComputeZYX = 0
>>>>>>>>
Euler3DTransform (0x252c450)
RTTI typeid: itk::Euler3DTransform<double>
Reference Count: 3
Modified Time: 1829
Debug: Off
Object Name:
Observers:
    none
Matrix:
    1 0 0
    0 1 0
    0 0 1
Offset: [-7.61852, -7.61852, -6]
Center: [166.994, 166.994, 56]
Translation: [-7.61852, -7.61852, -6]
Inverse:
    1 0 0
    0 1 0
    0 0 1
Singular: 0
Euler's angles: AngleX=0 AngleY=0 AngleZ=0
m_ComputeZYX = 0
End of MultiTransform.
<<<<<<<<<
TransformsToOptimizeFlags, begin() to end():
    0 1
TransformsToOptimize in queue, from begin to end:
End of TransformsToOptimizeQueue.
<<<<<<<<<
End of CompositeTransform.
<<<<<<<<<

In [8]: display_registration_results(fixed_image, moving_image, final_transform_v11)
        print('Final metric value: {0}'.format(registration_method.GetMetricValue()))
        print('Optimizer\'s stopping condition, {0}'.format(registration_method.GetOptimizerStopConditionValue()))

```



Final metric value: -0.6021162938438883

Optimizer's stopping condition, GradientDescentOptimizerv4Template: Maximum number of iterations (60) e

## 0.6 Saving your results

In the end, if we are satisfied with the results we would like to save them. This is all but trivial:

In [9]: *# Resample the moving image onto the fixed image's grid.*

```
moving_resampled = sitk.Resample(moving_image, fixed_image, final_transform_v11, sitk.sitkLinearInterpolation,
                                0.0, moving_image.GetPixelIDValue())
sitk.WriteImage(moving_resampled, os.path.join(OUTPUT_DIR, 'moving_transformed.mha'))
sitk.WriteTransform(final_transform_v11, os.path.join(OUTPUT_DIR, 'final_transform_v1.1.tfm'))
```

## 0.7 Going multi-resolution and using reference data

ITKv4 introduced an easy to use multi-resolution framework which we will explore in the following example.

We

also incorporate the usage of reference data to evaluate the quality of registration.

What does the usage of reference data have to do with SimpleITK registration? Short answer - Nothing. Long answer - registration in general is dependent on many parameter settings. You will want to optimize these settings for your particular task. This requires that you evaluate results using reference data. Often this reference data comes in the form of corresponding points in the two images, and our quantitative evaluation of registration corresponds to the Target Registration Error (TRE).

In this notebook we are using the data from the Retrospective Image Registration Evaluation (RIRE) project.

### 0.7.1 Load our reference data

In [10]: `fixed_fiducial_points, moving_fiducial_points = load_RIRE_ground_truth(fdata("RIRE/ct_T1.stand`

```

# Estimate the reference_transform defined by the RIRE fiducials
R, t = absolute_orientation_m(fixed_fiducial_points, moving_fiducial_points)
reference_transform = sitk.Euler3DTransform()
reference_transform.SetMatrix(R.flatten())
reference_transform.SetTranslation(t)

# Generate a reference dataset from the reference transformation
# (corresponding points in the fixed and moving images).
fixed_points = generate_random_pointset(image=fixed_image, num_points=100)
moving_points = [reference_transform.TransformPoint(p) for p in fixed_points]

# Compute the TRE prior to registration.
pre_errors_mean, pre_errors_std, _, pre_errors_max, pre_errors = registration_errors(sitk.Euler3DTransform())
print('Before registration, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): {:.2f}({:.2f}), max: {:.2f}')

```

Fetching RIRE/ct\_T1.standard

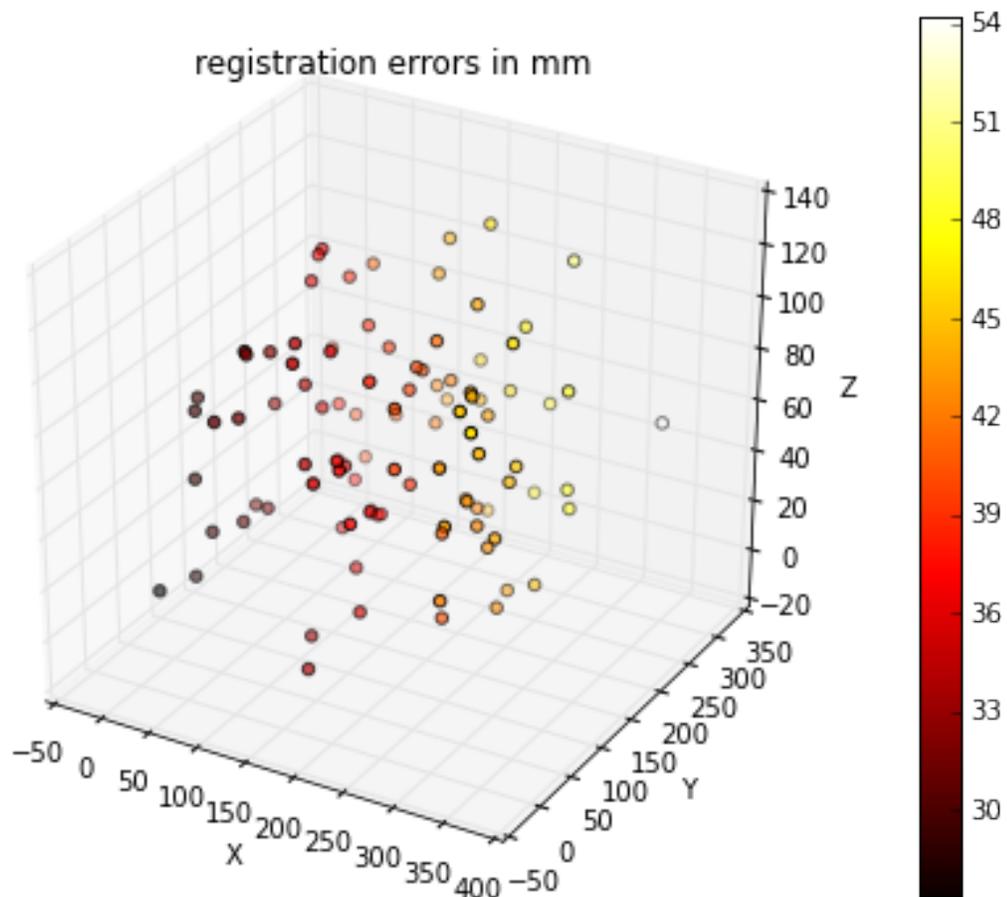
Before registration, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): 43.80(5.50), max: 56.94

### 0.7.2 Evaluate the registration after initial alignment

```

In [11]: # The initial transform was estimated at the beginning of this notebook.
initial_errors_mean, initial_errors_std, _, initial_errors_max, initial_errors = registration_errors(sitk.Euler3DTransform())
print('After initial alignment, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): {:.2f}({:.2f}), max: {:.2f}')

```



After initial alignment, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): 39.49(5.50), max: 54.20

### 0.7.3 Version 2 - v4 multi-resolution approach

```
In [12]: registration_method = sitk.ImageRegistrationMethod()

registration_method.SetMetricAsMattesMutualInformation(numberOfHistogramBins=50)
registration_method.SetMetricSamplingStrategy(registration_method.RANDOM)
registration_method.SetMetricSamplingPercentage(0.01)
registration_method.SetInterpolator(sitk.sitkLinear)
registration_method.SetOptimizerAsGradientDescent(learningRate=1.0, numberOfIterations=60)
registration_method.SetOptimizerScalesFromPhysicalShift()

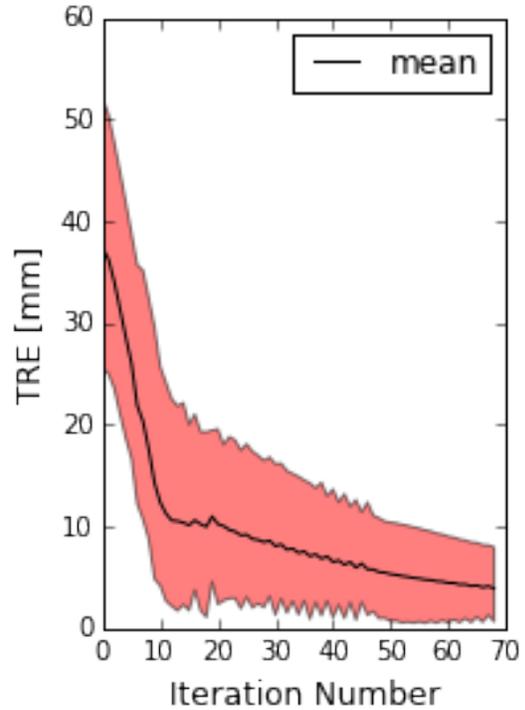
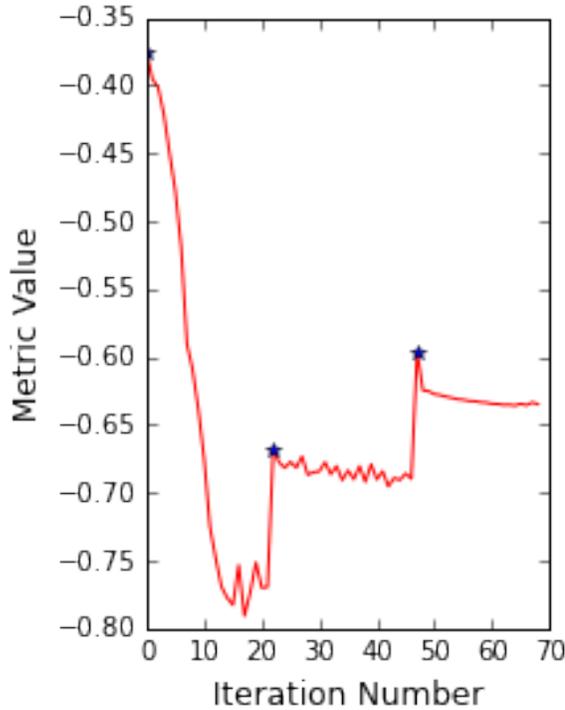
# Make a copy of the initial transformation so that we optimize in place but can still reuse it
# specific to our notebook's workflow. In a regular registration setting we would not create the
# the variable as global so that it is accessible outside this cell even when using timeit.
global final_transform_multi_res
final_transform_multi_res = sitk.Euler3DTransform(initial_transform)
registration_method.SetInitialTransform(final_transform_multi_res)
registration_method.SmoothingSigmasAreSpecifiedInPhysicalUnitsOn()

# Multi-resolution framework - it's this easy:
registration_method.SetShrinkFactorsPerLevel(shrinkFactors = [4,2,1])
registration_method.SetSmoothingSigmasPerLevel(smoothingSigmas = [2,1,0])

registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkStartEvent, metric_and_reference_start_plot)
registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkEndEvent, metric_and_reference_end_plot)
registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkIterationEvent,
                                lambda: metric_and_reference_plot_values(registration_method, f

# Additional callback specific to the multi-resolution framework
registration_method.AddCommand(sitk.sitkMultiResolutionIterationEvent,
                                metric_update_multires_iterations)

registration_method.Execute(sitk.Cast(fixed_image, sitk.sitkFloat32),
                             sitk.Cast(moving_image, sitk.sitkFloat32))
print('Final metric value: {0}'.format(registration_method.GetMetricValue()))
print('Optimizer\'s stopping condition, {0}\n'.format(registration_method.GetOptimizerStopCond
print(final_transform_multi_res)
```



Final metric value: -0.6320637464770482

Optimizer's stopping condition, GradientDescentOptimizerv4Template: Convergence checker passed at iteration 48

itk::simple::Euler3DTransform

Euler3DTransform (0x2636590)

RTTI typeinfo: itk::Euler3DTransform<double>

Reference Count: 2

Modified Time: 1015856

Debug: Off

Object Name:

Observers:

none

Matrix:

0.997667 0.0679171 0.00685529  
 -0.0679551 0.997673 0.00546584  
 -0.00646812 -0.00591894 0.999962

Offset: [5.87315, -21.5367, -19.5621]

Center: [166.994, 166.994, 56]

Translation: [17.2092, -32.9672, -21.6328]

Inverse:

0.997667 -0.0679551 -0.00646812  
 0.0679171 0.997673 -0.00591894  
 0.00685529 0.00546584 0.999962

Singular: 0

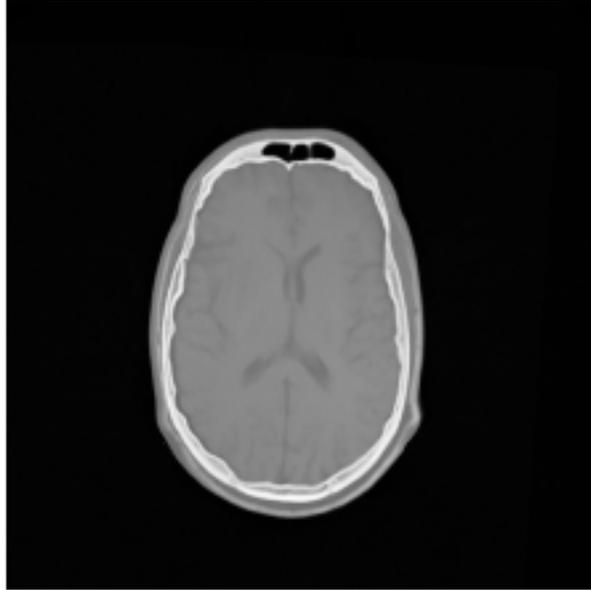
Euler's angles: AngleX=-0.00591898 AngleY=0.00646828 AngleZ=-0.0679706

m\_ComputeZYX = 0

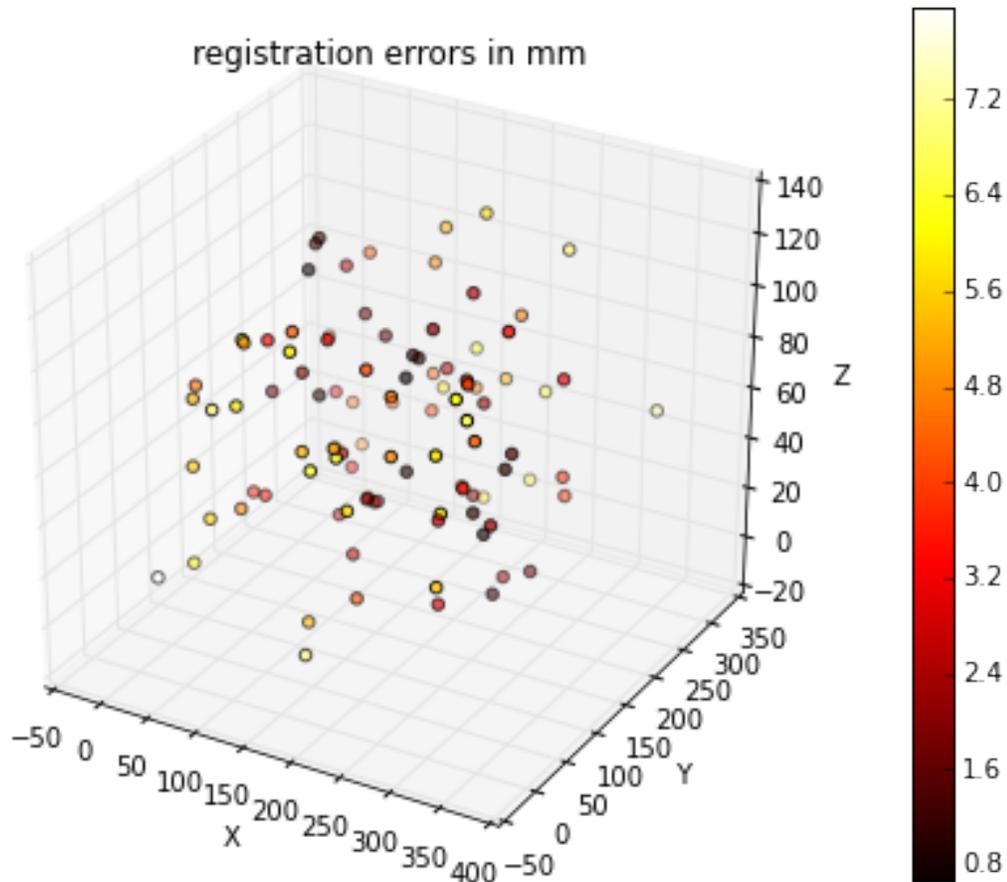
#### 0.7.4 Evaluate the registration after final alignment

Qualitative evaluation via visual inspection and quantitative evaluation via TRE.

```
In [13]: display_registration_results(fixed_image, moving_image, final_transform_multi_res)
```



```
In [14]: final_errors_mean, final_errors_std, _, final_errors_max, final_errors = registration_errors(f
         print('After final alignment, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): {:.2f}({:.2f}), max: {:.2f}
```



After final alignment, errors (TRE) in millimeters, mean(std): 3.92(1.85), max: 7.97

## 0.8 Exercises

In this section you will explore the effects of various settings on the registration framework:

Modify the initial alignment estimation to use `sitk.CenteredTransformInitializerFilter.MOMENTS` - does this have an effect on our registration?

Modify version 1 above so that the transformation is modified in place (`SetInitialTransform`) - does this have any effect on the result (hint: transformation type)

Modify version 1 or 1.1, exploring the effects of various component settings on the results:

Scale estimation: Comment out the `SetOptimizerScalesFromPhysicalShift` method, try the `SetOptimizerScalesFromIndexShift`, `SetOptimizerScalesFromJacobian` and `SetOptimizerScales` methods.

Modify the number of iterations - we already know the optimizer is likely terminating earlier than it should.

Modify the sampling strategy (`SetMetricSamplingStrategy`) - try `no/regular` sampling (`registration_method.NONE, REGULAR`).

Modify version 2, exploring the effects of changing the `smoothingSigmas` and `shrinkFactors` on accuracy. You can also modify the units of the `smoothingSigmas` from the default physical ones to voxel units (`SmoothingSigmasAreSpecifiedInPhysicalUnitsOff`).

Compare the runtime of the single resolution registration, version 1, to that of the multi-resolution registration, version 2. Add the following line at the beginning of the registration cells: `%%timeit -r1 -n1` This will wrap the cell as a function and run it once, reporting the runtime.

In registration version 2 the number of samples per resolution was set at 1%, `SetMetricSamplingPercentage(0.01)`, this ignores the fact that there are far fewer voxels at the higher resolutions. Use the method `SetMetricSamplingPercentagePerLevel` with a list of percentages corresponding to the number of resolutions.

In [ ]:

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# Module Definitions

# ITK Modules

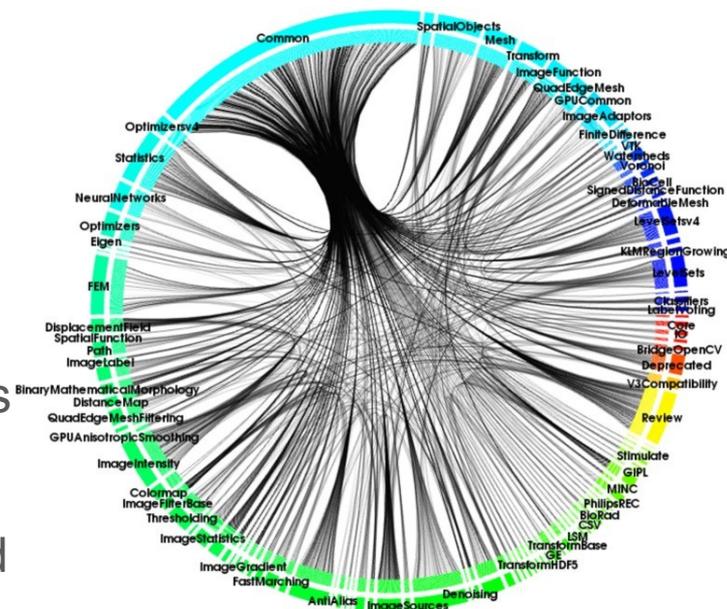
Since its inception in 2000, ITK was designed as a collection of about seven core libraries and about ten third party libraries. This monolithic organization of the code led over time to very large sub-libraries, as more classes were added to the toolkit. Once the core code of ITK surpassed **half-a-million lines of code**, it became evident that a more **modular approach was needed** in order to support the future continued growth of the toolkit.

# Modularization

As a result of modularization in ITKv4, the initial monolithic code base of about 12,000 files was partitioned into **more than 100 modules**.

Module dependencies are identified and explicitly declared in the CMake configuration system. ITK adopters can select, at configuration time, the pieces of ITK that they wanted to use in their own projects.

A selected module automatically enables its required dependencies.



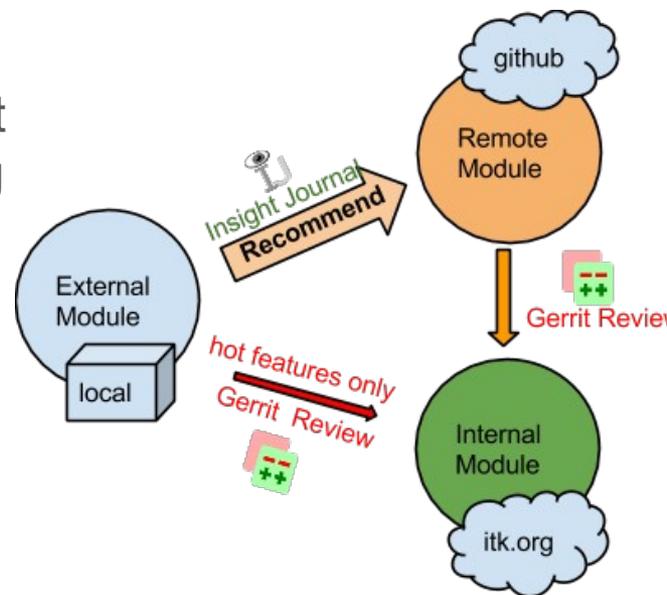
# Types of Modules

**Default Internal** - modules in the ITK source tree that are enabled in the default build configuration.

**Non-default Internal** - are in the ITK source tree, but they are not enabled by default because of missing third-party dependencies, etc.

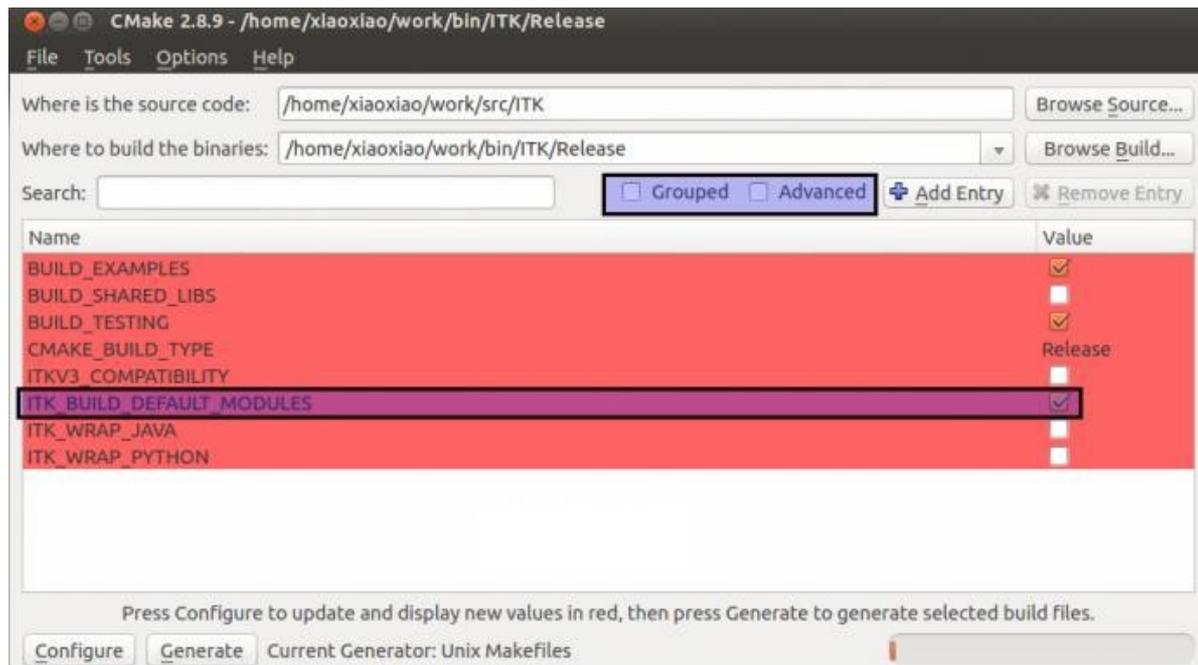
**External** - modules developed outside of the ITK source tree.

**Remote** - externally developed modules made available in ITK's CMake configuration. When enabled, the module's Git repository is dynamically fetched for the build.



# Using Modules

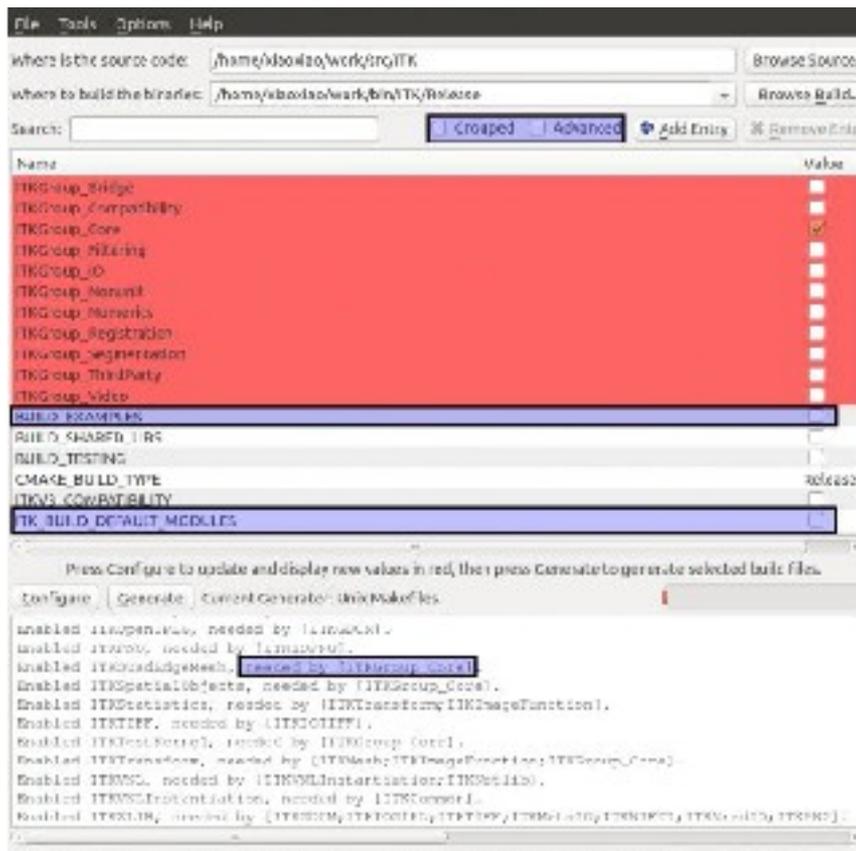
# Default Modules in ITK's CMake Configuration



**ITK\_BUILD\_DEFAULT\_MODULE S** is the CMake option to request that all default modules be built, and by default this option is **ON**.



# Group Module Enablement



ITK is organized so that groups of modules that have close relationships or similar functionalities reside in the same directory. Presently, there are 11 groups (not including the Remote group). The CMake `ITKGroup_{group name}` option is created for the convenience of enabling or disabling multiple modules at once.

# Module Selection for Projects that Use ITK

```
1 find_package(ITK COMPONENTS ITKFoo ITKBar <More ITK Modules> REQUIRED)
2 include (${USE_ITK_FILE})

1 ExternalProject_Add( ITK
2     GIT_REPOSITORY "git://itk.org/ITK.git"
3     GIT_TAG        "<tag id>" # specify the commit id or the tag id
4     SOURCE_DIR     <ITK source tree path>
5     BINARY_DIR     <ITK build tree path>
6     CMAKE_GENERATOR ${gen}
7     CMAKE_ARGS
8         ${ep_common_args}
9         -DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS:BOOL=OFF
10        -DBUILD_EXAMPLES:BOOL=OFF
11        -DBUILD_TESTING:BOOL=OFF
12        -DITK_BUILD_DEFAULT_MODULES:BOOL=ON
13        -DModule_ITKReview:BOOL=ON
14        [-DModule_LevelSetv4Visualization:BOOL=ON]
15     INSTALL_COMMAND ""
16     DEPENDS [VTK] [DCMTK] # if some of the modules requested require extra
17 )
```

For a project that uses ITK as an external library, it is recommended to specify the individual desired ITK modules in the **COMPONENTS** argument of the **find\_package** CMake command.

The script **ITK/Utilities/Maintenance/WhatModulesITK.py** can inspect a project and determine which modules it requires.

# Modules in Doxygen

<http://www.itk.org/Doxygen/html/modules.html>

- ▶ **Group Core**
- ▶ **Group IO**
- ▶ **Group Filtering**
- ▶ **Group Registration**
- ▶ **Group Segmentation**
- ▶ **Group Numerics**
- ▶ **Group Video**
- ▶ **Group ThirdParty**
- ▶ **Group Bridge**
- ▶ **Group Nonunit**
- ▶ **Group Compatibility**
- ▶ **Group Remote**

# Modules in Doxygen (cont.)

▶ **Group IO**

▼ **Group Filtering**

**Module ITKDiffusionTensorImage**

**Module ITKFastMarching**

**Module ITKConvolution**

**Module ITKImageGradient**

**Module ITKImageFusion**

**Module ITKFFT**

**Module ITKDenoising**

**Module ITKGPUThresholding**

**Module ITKBinaryMathematicalMorphology**

**Module ITKImageLabel**

# Modules in Doxygen (cont.)

 **ITK** 4.10.0  
Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit

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## Module ITKConvolution Classes

Group Filtering

▸ Collaboration diagram for Module ITKConvolution:

### Classes

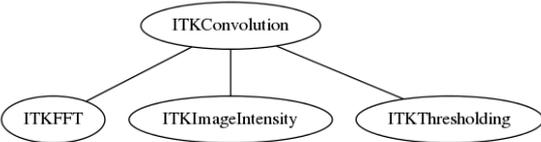
class	<code>itk::ConvolutionImageFilter&lt; TInputImage, TKernelImage, TOutputImage &gt;</code>
class	<code>itk::ConvolutionImageFilterBase&lt; TInputImage, TKernelImage, TOutputImage &gt;</code>
class	<code>itk::FFTConvolutionImageFilter&lt; TInputImage, TKernelImage, TOutputImage, TInternalPrecision &gt;</code>
class	<code>itk::FFTNormalizedCorrelationImageFilter&lt; TInputImage, TOutputImage &gt;</code>
class	<code>itk::MaskedFFTNormalizedCorrelationImageFilter&lt; TInputImage, TOutputImage, TMaskImage &gt;</code>
class	<code>itk::NormalizedCorrelationImageFilter&lt; TInputImage, TMaskImage, TOutputImage, TOperatorValueType &gt;</code>

### Detailed Description

This module contains filters that convolve an image with a kernel. Convolution is a fundamental operation in many image analysis algorithms.

**Dependencies:**

- [Module ITKFFT](#)
- [Module ITKImageIntensity](#)
- [Module ITKThresholding](#)



```
graph TD; ITKConvolution --- ITKFFT; ITKConvolution --- ITKImageIntensity; ITKConvolution --- ITKThresholding;
```

Tarballs of the nightly generated Doxygen documentation are available for the [html](#), [xml](#), and [tag file](#).

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# External Module Development Process

# Building External Modules Against an ITK Build Tree

Since ITK 4.9.0, it is possible to build External modules against an existing ITK build tree.

- Convenient for revision control

- Faster CMake configuration times

- Facilitates CI testing

- Easily add Python wrapping to high performance C++ code

Caveats:

- Only works with a build tree; cannot build against an install tree

- All module dependencies must already be built

# External Modules Differences

1. Pass the ITK build directory in the **ITK\_DIR** CMake configuration variable when building an External module
2. The module's top level CMakeLists.txt file should be

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.9)
project(ModuleName)
```

```
if(NOT ITK_SOURCE_DIR)
  find_package(ITK REQUIRED)
  list(APPEND CMAKE_MODULE_PATH ${ITK_CMAKE_DIR})
  include(ITKModuleExternal)
else()
  itk_module_impl()
endif()
```

Instead of:

```
project(ModuleName)
itk_module_impl()
```

## External Modules Differences (cont.)

3. When a project is using a version of ITK that has been extended with an External module, it should explicitly specify the module dependency in its CMake `find_package COMPONENT`'s calls. For example:

```
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 3.0)

project(MyProject)

find_package(ITK REQUIRED
             COMPONENTS
               ITKImageFeature
               ITKFastMarching
               MyExternalModule
             )
include(${ITK_USE_FILE})
```

# Adding CI Testing to GitHub Repositories

It is possible to add continuous integration testing to an External module GitHub repository.

Services that utilize **Docker** are recommended to reduce software dependency acquisition and build times, like CircleCI or TravisCI.



# Adding CI Testing to GitHub Repositories (cont.)

The **ITKMinimalPathExtraction** GitHub repository can be used as an example



<https://blog.kitware.com/automated-tests-on-github-for-your-itk-dependent-project-with-circleci-and-docker/>

<https://github.com/InsightSoftwareConsortium/ITKMinimalPathExtraction>

# Adding CI Testing to GitHub Repositories (cont.)

Configure the tools involved:

**Docker:** install CMake, GCC, and optionally CMake into the Docker Image.  
Configure and build ITK with the required module dependencies enabled.

**CircleCI:** configure CircleCI in *circle.yml* to download the Docker build dependency image, and build and test the source repository in that image.  
Add a status badge to your README.

**CDash:** Add a *CTestConfig.cmake* file so a visualization of your pull request build is available on the ITK dashboard.



# Writing a Module

# Module Organization

The **top level** directory

The **include/** directory

The **src/** directory

The **test/** directory

The **wrapping/** directory

# The itk-module.cmake File (cont.)

1. The module name.
2. Dependencies on other modules
3. Module properties
4. A description of the module

# The itk-module.cmake File

```
set(DOCUMENTATION "This module contains the central classes of the ITK
toolkit. They include, basic data structures \ (such as Points, Vectors,
Images, Regions\ ) the core of the process objects \ (such as base
classes for image filters\ ) the pipeline infrastructure classes, the support
for multi-threading, and a collection of classes that isolate ITK from
platform specific features. It is anticipated that most other ITK modules will
depend on this one.")
```

```
itk_module(ITKCommon
  ENABLE_SHARED
  PRIVATE_DEPENDS
    ITKDoubleConversion
  COMPILE_DEPENDS
    ITKkwSys
    ITKVNLInstantiation
  TEST_DEPENDS
    ITKTestKernel
    ITKMesh
    ITKImageIntensity
    ITKIOImageBase
  DESCRIPTION
    "${DOCUMENTATION}")
```

# The itk-module.cmake File (cont.)

**DEPENDS:** Modules that will be publically linked to this module. The header's used are added to *include/\*.{h,hxx}* files.

**PRIVATE\_DEPENDS:** Modules that will be privately linked to this module. The header's used are only added to *src/\*.cxx* files.

**COMPILE\_DEPENDS:** Modules that are needed at compile time by this module. The header's used are added to *include/\*{h,hxx}* files sbut there is not a library to link against.

**TEST\_DEPENDS:** Modules that are needed by this modules testing executables

# Headers: the `include/` Directory

Simply add all `*.h` declaration headers and `*.hxx` template definition headers to the `include/` directory.

# Libraries: the src/ Directory

```
set(AModuleName_SRCS  
    itkFooClass.cxx  
    itkBarClass.cxx  
)
```

```
add_library(AModuleName ${AModuleName_SRCS})  
itk_module_link_dependencies()  
itk_module_target(AModuleName)
```

# Tests: the test/ Directory

```
itk_module_test()  
  
set(ModuleTemplateTests  
  itkMinimalStandardRandomVariateGeneratorTest.cxx  
  itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTest.cxx  
)  
  
CreateTestDriver(ModuleTemplate "${ModuleTemplate-  
Test_LIBRARIES}" "${ModuleTemplateTests}")  
  
itk_add_test(NAME itkMinimalStandardRandomVariateGeneratorTest  
  COMMAND ModuleTemplateTestDriver itkMinimalStandardRandomVariateGeneratorTest  
)  
  
itk_add_test(NAME itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTest  
  COMMAND ModuleTemplateTestDriver --without-threads  
  --compare  
  ${ITK_TEST_OUTPUT_DIR}/itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTestOutput.mha  
  DATA{Baseline/itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTestOutput.mha}  
  itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTest  
  ${ITK_TEST_OUTPUT_DIR}/itkLogNormalDistributionImageSourceTestOutput.mha
```

# Wrapping: the wrapping/ Directory

CMakeLists.txt:

```
itk_wrap_module(ITKImageFilterBase)

set(WRAPPER_SUBMODULE_ORDER
  itkRecursiveSeparableImageFilter
  itkFlatStructuringElement
  itkKernelImageFilter
  itkMovingHistogramImageFilterBase
)
itk_auto_load_submodules()
itk_end_wrap_module()
```

itkImportImageFilter.wrap:

```
itk_wrap_class("itk::ImportImageFilter" POINTER)

  foreach(d ${ITK_WRAP_IMAGE_DIMS})
    foreach(t ${WRAP_ITK_SCALAR})
      itk_wrap_template("${ITKM_${t}}${d}" "${ITKT_${t}},${d}")
    endforeach()
  endforeach()

itk_end_wrap_class()
```

# Remote Modules

[http://www.itk.org/Wiki/ITK/Policy\\_and\\_Procedures\\_for\\_Adding\\_Remote\\_Modules](http://www.itk.org/Wiki/ITK/Policy_and_Procedures_for_Adding_Remote_Modules)

1. Publish an open access article in the Insight Journal describing the module
2. Submit a Gerrit patch that adds a file named *Modules/Remote/<module name>.remote.cmake*. This file must have:
  - a. Maintainer name and email in the comments.
  - b. A call to the *itk\_fetch\_module* CMake function whose arguments are:
    - i. The name of the remote module: **Note that in each <remote module name>.remote.cmake, the first argument of the function `itk_fetch_module()` is the name of the remote module, and it has to be consistent with the module name defined in the corresponding `itk-module.cmake`. To better distinguish the remote modules from the internal ITK modules, the names of the remote modules should NOT contain the "ITK" string prefix.**

# Remote Modules (cont.)

## Benefits:

1. Your work is exposed to a community of thousands of research software engineers around the world.
  - a. The module is listed in ITK's CMake configuration variables.
  - b. The classes are indexed in ITK's Doxygen documentation.
2. It becomes easier to develop a second module that depends on the first module.

# For more information...

See the **ITK Software Guide**:

Chapter 2, Configuring and Building ITK

Section 2.1.3 Advanced Module Configuration

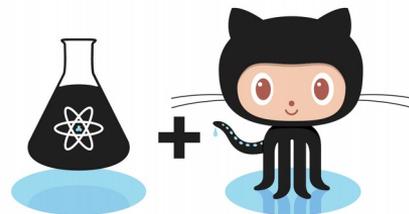
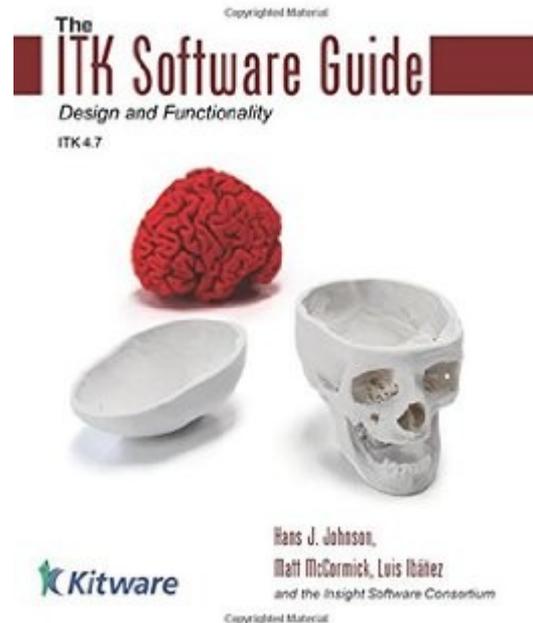
Chapter 3, How to Create a Module

<http://itk.org/ITK/help/documentation.html>

Examples:

In the ITK source tree

On the InsightSoftwareConsortium GitHub organization





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# Integrating your developments with other projects

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- Objectives:
  - Implement you medical imaging algorithm using the ITK C++ libraries (You need the speed and extended capabilities of coding your own solution)
  - Incorporate your tool into a larger processing and/or visualization environment



# *Sorry... Not a hands-on*

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- The challenge of configuring each of your laptops compilers, IDE, CMake, Editor etc is too onerous for a 45 minutes timeslot
- I will provide live demonstrations
- Feel free to do the demo's yourself if you have Cmake and compilers setup.

# *What do I need?*

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## **C++ Compiler**

**GCC 4.2+**  
**Visual C++ 9.0+**  
**Intel v 11**  
**Clang**  
**Etc..**

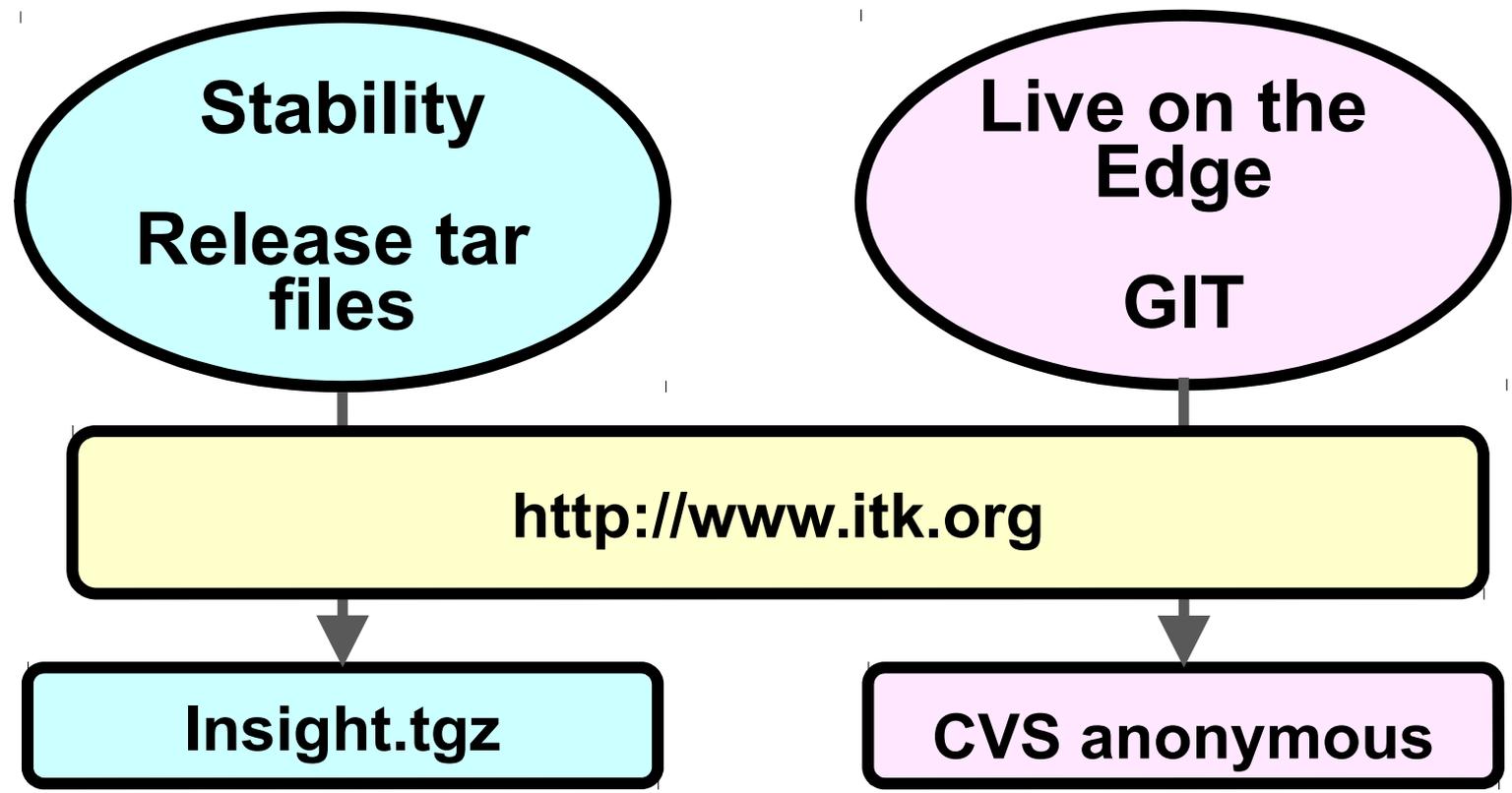
## **CMake**

**[www.cmake.org](http://www.cmake.org)**



# Step 1. Download ITK

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# Download ITK from the Web

<http://www.itk.org>



**Current Development**

More detailed instructions on downloading with Git: <http://www.itk.org/Wiki/ITK/Git>

Clone the repository with: `git clone http://itk.org/ITK.git`

**Get the Software**

**Latest Official Release**

The current release is version 4.5.0 from December 2013. The following downloads are available:

**Library Source**

- [InsightToolkit-4.5.0.tar.gz \(hosted at Sourceforge\)](#)
- [InsightToolkit-4.5.0.tar.xz \(hosted at Sourceforge\)](#)
- [InsightToolkit-4.5.0.zip \(hosted at Sourceforge\)](#)

**Documentation**

- [InsightSoftwareGuide-4.5.0.pdf \(hosted at Sourceforge\)](#)

Download tarball or clone with git



# Download ITK from the Web

http://www.itk.org

Kitware Search

PROJECT RESOURCES **HELP** OPEN SOURCE

Welcome to the National Library of Medicine **Insight Segmentation and Registration Toolkit (ITK)**. ITK is an open-source, cross-platform system that provides developers with an extensive suite of software tools for image analysis. Developed through extreme programming methodologies, ITK employs leading-edge algorithms for registering and segmenting multidimensional data. The goals for ITK include:

- Supporting the Visible Human Project.
- Establishing a foundation for future research.
- Creating a repository of fundamental algorithms.
- Developing a platform for advanced product development.
- Support commercial application of the technology.
- Create conventions for future work.
- Grow a self-sustaining community of software users and developers.

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**10.01.2013** Mastering CMake, Sixth Edition Now Available!

**09.09.2013** ITK 4.4.2 Now Available

NIMH NIDCD NIDCR

ITK provides leading-edge segmentation and registration algorithms in two, three, and more dimensions; it is distributed as an open-source software package.

Start Using ITK ▶

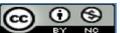


# Cross platform (C++) development

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- ITK builds on a large combination of operating systems and platforms
- Each C++ programming environment has it's own input format: Makefiles, workspaces, etc.
- Q: How can you possibly support all of these diverse build environments/platforms?

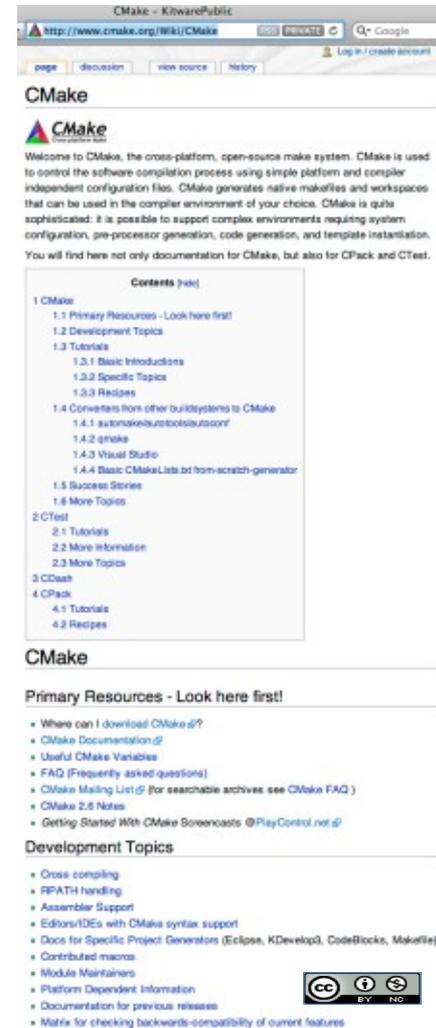
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- Cross platform tool to manage the build process
- Simplifies the build process
- Auto-configuration
- Easy access to external libraries
- Used by several other open source projects

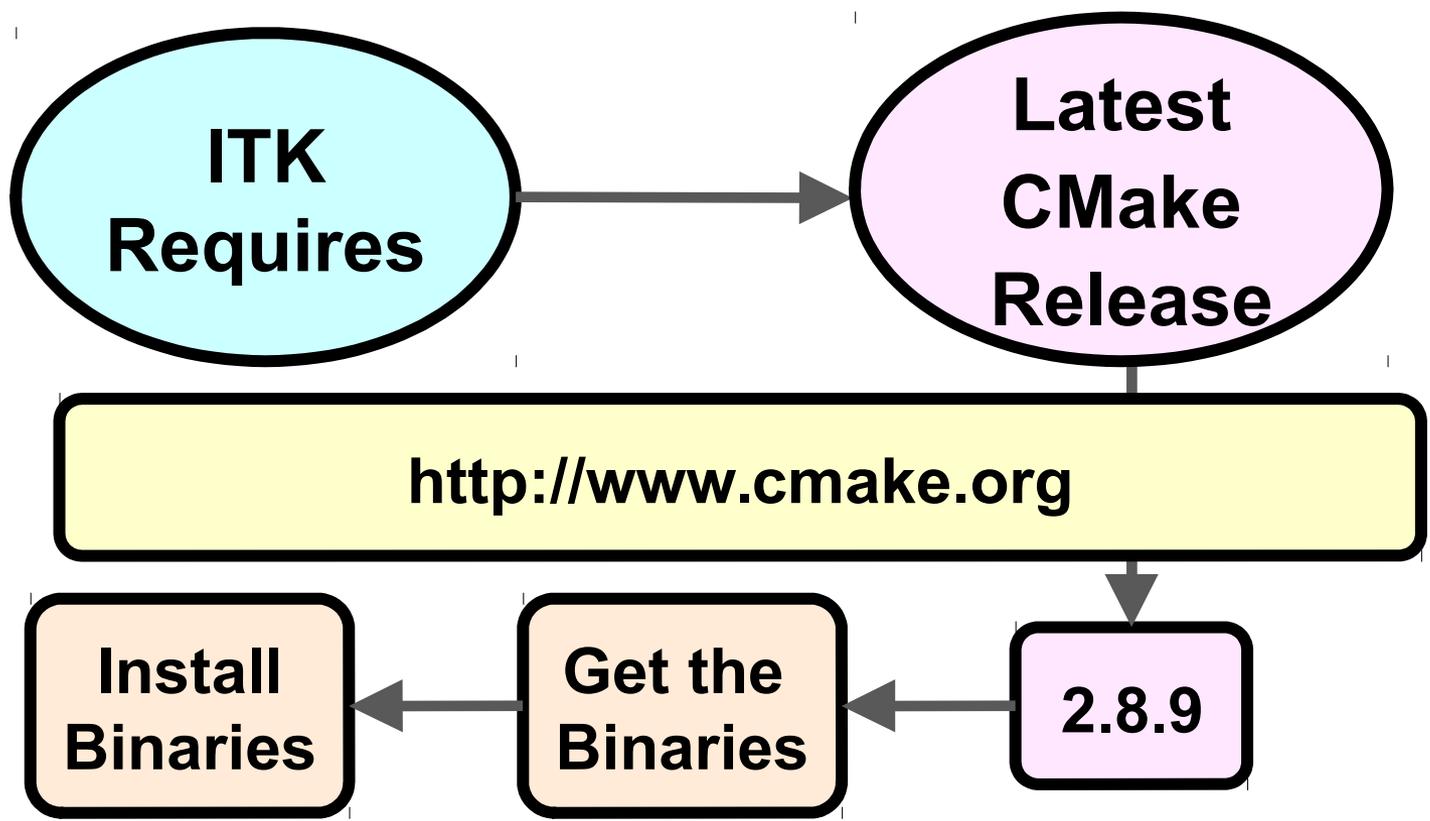


[www.cmake.org](http://www.cmake.org)



The screenshot shows the CMake website homepage. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for 'page', 'discussion', 'view source', and 'history'. Below that is the CMake logo and a welcome message: 'Welcome to CMake, the cross-platform, open-source make system. CMake is used to control the software compilation process using simple platform and compiler independent configuration files. CMake generates native makefiles and workspaces that can be used in the compiler environment of your choice. CMake is quite sophisticated: it is possible to support complex environments requiring system configuration, pre-processor generation, code generation, and template instantiation. You will find here not only documentation for CMake, but also for CPack and CTest.' A 'Contents (xv)' table of contents is visible, listing sections like '1 CMake', '2 CTest', and '3 CPack'. Below the table of contents, there are sections for 'Primary Resources - Look here first!' and 'Development Topics'. The 'Primary Resources' section includes links for 'Where can I download CMake?', 'CMake Documentation', 'Useful CMake Variables', 'FAQ (Frequently asked questions)', 'CMake Mailing List', 'CMake 2.6 Notes', and 'Getting Started With CMake Screencasts'. The 'Development Topics' section includes links for 'Cross compiling', 'RPATH handling', 'Assembler Support', 'Editors/IDEs with CMake syntax support', 'Docs for Specific Project Generators', 'Contributed macros', 'Module Maintainers', 'Platform Dependent Information', 'Documentation for previous releases', and 'Matrix for checking backwards-compatibility of current features'. At the bottom right, there is a Creative Commons BY-NC license logo.

# Step 2. Download CMake



## Step 1 - Install CMake

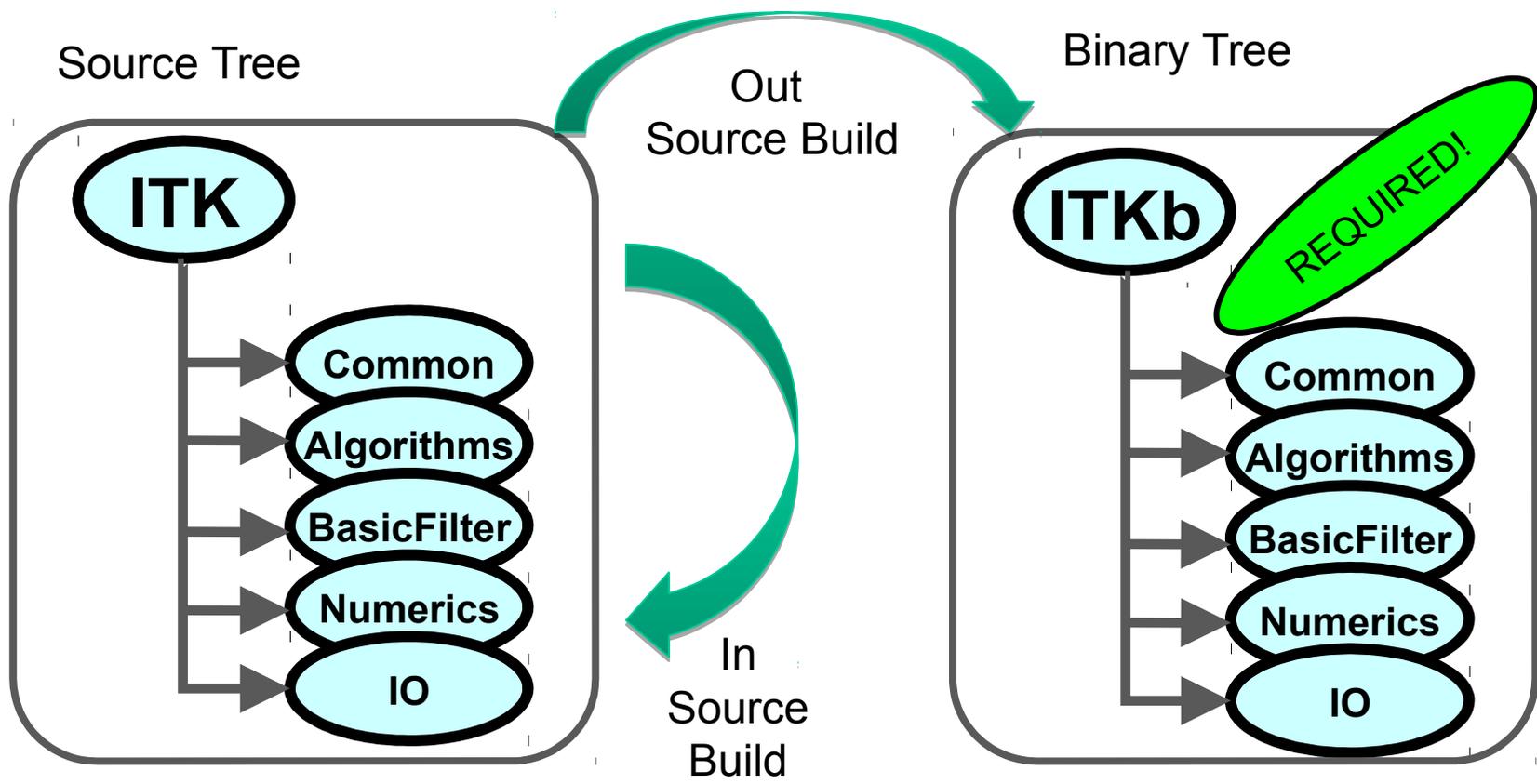
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- Check if a recent version of CMake is already installed on your computer.
- If not, ...
- Download and install a binary distribution of CMake 2.8.9 from:
  - <http://www.cmake.org/>

- Required to build native (C++) ITK
- Cross-platform project generator
- Often simpler than particular environments
- Text as input
- Project file as output:

<b>Windows</b>	Visual Studio Solution
<b>UNIX</b>	Makefile
<b>Mac OS X</b>	Xcode project or Makefile

# Step 3. Configure ITK



## *Why use two trees?*

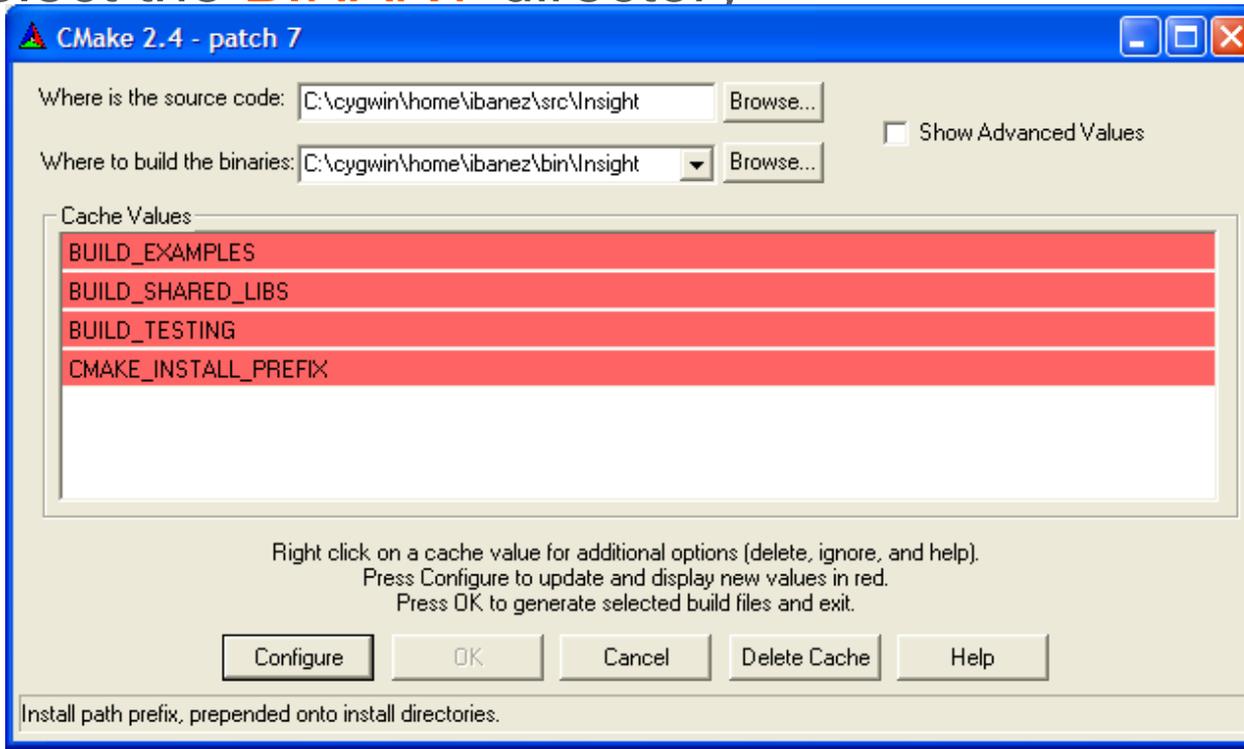
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- Keeps your C++ source and binary code separate
- Minimizes the amount of damage you can do to your GIT repository tree
- ITK is the SOURCE\_DIR folder
- I suggest that you create your BINARY\_DIR folder as ITK-bld adjacent to the SOURCE\_DIR

- Run **CMake**
- Select the **SOURCE** directory
- Select the **BINARY** directory



[www.cmake.org](http://www.cmake.org)





# Configuring ITK – Unix

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- Create the **BINARY** directory (`mkdir`)
- Change directory to the **BINARY** directory (`cd`)
- Type `ccmake` with argument the **SOURCE** directory



# Configuring ITK - Unix

```
Camelot:~/src/ITK-3-4/Builds/FromSourceForge/InsightToolkit-3.4
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
Page 1 of 1
BUILD_EXAMPLES OFF
BUILD_SHARED_LIBS OFF
BUILD_TESTING OFF
CMAKE_BACKWARDS_COMPATIBILITY 2.5
CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE
CMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX /usr/local
CPACK_DEB OFF
CPACK_NSIS OFF
CPACK_RPM OFF
CPACK_SOURCE_TBZ2 ON
CPACK_SOURCE_TGZ ON
CPACK_SOURCE_TZ ON
CPACK_SOURCE_ZIP OFF
CPACK_STGZ ON
CPACK_TBZ2 ON
CPACK_TGZ ON
CPACK_TZ ON

CMAKE_BUILD_TYPE: Choose the type of build, options are: None(CMAKE_CXX_FL
Press [enter] to edit option CMake Version 2.5 - 20070813
Press [c] to configure
Press [h] for help Press [q] to quit without generating
Press [t] to toggle advanced mode (Currently Off)
```





# Building ITK

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- Most of **ITK** classes are **C++ Templates**
- Basic libraries are **small**  
they only contain **non-templated** classes
- Basic libraries are built in about 15 min



# Step 5. Verify the Build

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Libraries will be found in

ITK\_BINARY / **bin** / { **Debug, Release** }





# Configuring ITK – Unix

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- Disable `BUILD_EXAMPLES`
- Disable `BUILD_SHARED_LIBS`
- Disable `BUILD_TESTING`
  
- Type “c” to configure
  
- Type “g” to generate the Makefiles
  
- Type “make” to start building



# *CMake for your project*

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- Write a **CMakeLists.txt** file describing your project in CMake's language
- Run CMake to generate an appropriate makefile/project/workspace for your compiler
- Compile as you normally would

- This is not unlike the configure-make process you may be familiar with from various Unix systems
- But... it works with many compilers
- CMakeLists.txt files are easy to perform revision control on

# *CMakeLists.txt syntax*

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```
#Make sure the user's CMake is recent enough  
cmake_minimum_required(VERSION 2.8.9)
```

```
#Give the project a name:  
project(cool_demo)
```

```
# Find ITK version 4.8 for use with this program  
find_package(ITK 4.8 REQUIRED)  
include(${ITK_USE_FILE})
```

```
#The command line executable "demo" is requested  
# to be built from the source file "demo_code.cxx"  
# and must be linked to the ITK libraries  
add_executable(demo demo_code.cxx)  
target_link_libraries(demo ${ITK_LIBRARIES})
```



# *Building an application*

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- ITK comes with a simple application you can build in order to test the ITK libraries “out of source” (i.e. not built inside ITK)

- It can be found in:

```
cp -R ITK/Examples/Installation ./test_src
```

# *How to build HelloWorld*

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- Copy & rename the *Installation* directory somewhere outside of the Insight directory
  - `cp -R ITK/Examples/Installation ./test_src`
  - `mkdir test-bld`
- Run CMake in `test-bld` pointing to `test_src`
  - Remember the source/binary distinction
  - use `test-bld` as your build location
- Cmake will not automatically find ITK
  - edit the `ITK_DIR` option

- Once CMake is happy, generate the makefile/project for your compiler
- Build HelloWorld
- Give it a try

- You can turn on ITK's *Examples* option in CMake, which will build all of the examples for you
- Or... you can copy the examples out-of-source and build them like you did HelloWorld
- These examples link into ITK Software Guide; read the chapter, poke the code and see what happens...

You should get used to the idea of:

1. Writing some code
2. Writing a CMakeLists.txt file
3. Running CMake
4. Building your code
5. Rinse, repeat



# *Learning objective*

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Following this tutorial, you'll be able

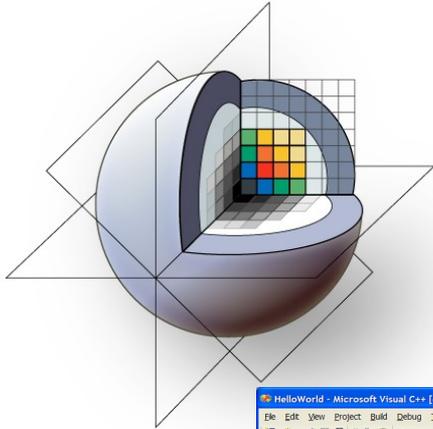
- 1) to **plug-in an external program** into Slicer3
- 2) to **implement an image filter** and to run the analysis from Slicer3
- 3) to **write and run a test** using the CTest tool



# Overview

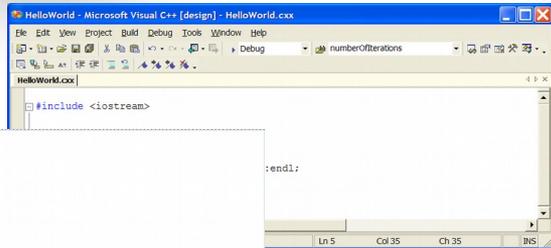
---

- Part A: integration of the HelloWorld program into Slicer3



# 3DSlicer Part A: Integrating an executable to Slicer3

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<executable>
  <category>
    Demonstration </category>
  </category>
  <title>
    Hello World </title>
  </title>
  <description>
    Slicer Developer Example </description>
  </description>
  <version>
    1.0 </version>
  </version>
  <documentation-url>
    </documentation-url>
  </documentation-url>
  <license>
    </license>
  </license>
  <contributor>
    Ronik Pujol </contributor>
  </contributor>
  <acknowledgements>
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    funded by the National Institutes of Health through the NIH Roadmap for Medical Research,
    Grant U54 EB001974. </acknowledgements>
  </acknowledgements>
  <parameters>
    <label:Input/Output:label>
      <description:Input/output parameters</description>
    </label>
    <image>
      <name:inputVolume:name>
        <label:input Volume:label>
          <channel:input:channel>
            <name:input>
              <default:None</default>
              <description:Input volume</description>
            </name>
          </channel>
        </label>
      </image>
      <name:outputVolume:name>
        <label:Output Volume:label>
          <channel:output:channel>
            <name:output>
              <description:Output Volume</description>
            </name>
          </channel>
        </label>
      </image>
    </parameters>
  </parameters>
</executable>
```



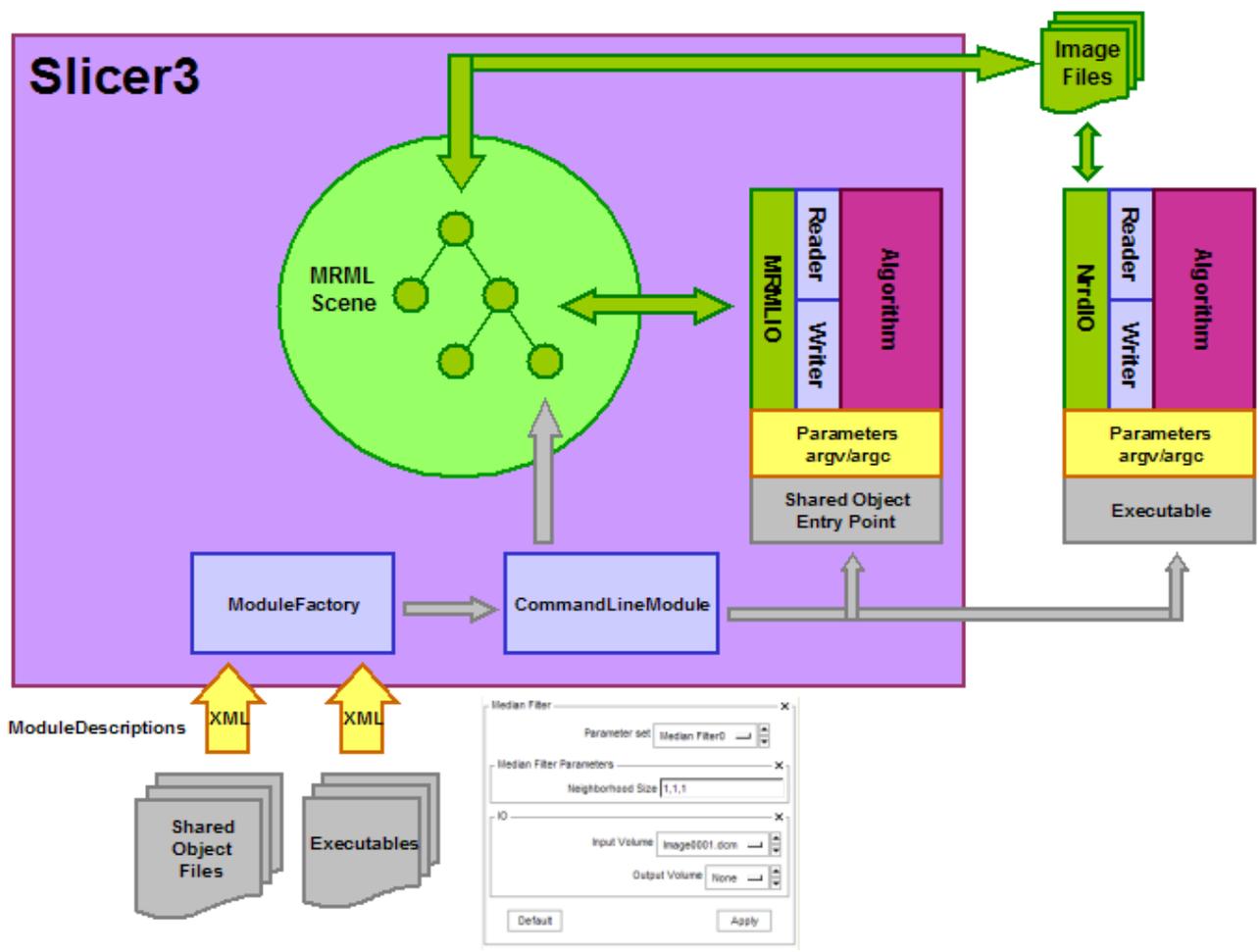


# *Slicer3 Execution Model*

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- This course is based on the [Execution Model](#) which provides a mechanism for incorporating command line programs as Slicer modules.
- The Slicer modules are described using [XML files](#) which are used to generate the C++ command line code and the Graphical User Interface (GUI).
- Execution Model URL

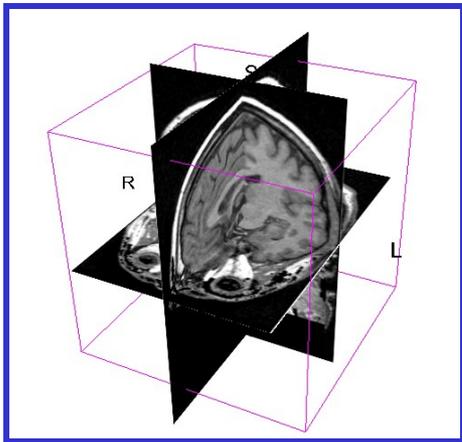
# Slicer3 Execution Model



[http://wiki.na-mic.org/Wiki/index.php/Slicer3:Execution\\_Model\\_Documentation](http://wiki.na-mic.org/Wiki/index.php/Slicer3:Execution_Model_Documentation)

# HelloWorld\_CourseMaterial.tgz archive

unzip HelloWorld.zip



(data image)

```
Microsoft Visual C++ [design] - HelloWorld.cxx
File Edit View Project Build Debug Tools Window Help
numberIterations
HelloWorld.cxx
#include <iostream>
int main(int argc, char * argv [])
{
    std::cout << "Hello world !" << std::endl;
    return 0 ;
}
```

HelloWorld.cxx  
(application)

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
<executable>
  <category>
    Demonstration </category>
  <title>
    Hello World </title>
  <description>
    Slicer Developer Example </description>
  <version>
    1.0 </version>
  <documentation-url>
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  <parameters>
    <label>input/output</label>
    <description>input/output parameters</description>
    <image>
      <label>input volume</label>
      <name>input volume</name>
      <channel>input</channel>
      <image0>input</image0>
      <default-home>default</default-home>
      <description>input volume</description>
    </image>
    <image>
      <label>output volume</label>
      <name>output volume</name>
      <channel>output</channel>
      <image1>input</image1>
      <description>output volume</description>
    </image>
  </parameters>
</executable>
```

HelloWorld.xml  
(Execution Model)



3DSlicer

# HelloWorld.xml

## Module Description

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<executable>
  <category>
    Demonstration</category>
  <title>
    Hello World</title>
  <description>
    Slicer Developer Example</description>
  <version>
    1.0</version>
  <documentation-url></documentation-url>
  <license></license>
  <contributor>
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```

## Module Parameters

```
<parameters>
  <label>Input/Output</label>
  <description>Input/output parameters</description>
  <image>
    <name>helloWorldInputVolume</name>
    <label>Input Volume</label>
    <channel>input</channel>
    <index>0</index>
    <default>None</default>
    <description>Input volume</description>
  </image>
  <image>
    <name>helloWorldOutputVolume</name>
    <label>Output Volume</label>
    <channel>output</channel>
    <index>1</index>
    <description>Output filtered</description>
  </image>
</parameters>
</executable>
```



# Module Description

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<executable>
  <category>
    Demonstration</category>
  <title>Hello World</title>
  <description>
    Slicer Developer Example</description>
  <version>
    1.0</version>
  <documentation-url></documentation-url>
  <license></license>
  <contributor> Sonia Pujol, Ph.D. </contributor>
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    Computing (NAMIC), funded by the National Institutes of Health through the
    NIH Roadmap for Medical Research, Grant U54 EB005149.
  </acknowledgements>
```



# Module Parameters

```
<parameters>
  <label>Input/Output</label>
  <description>Input/output parameters</description>
```

## Input Volume

```
<image>
  <name>helloWorldInputVolume</name>
  <label>Input Volume</label>
  <channel>input</channel>
  <index>0</index>
  <default>None</default>
  <description>Input volume</description>
</image>
```

## Output Volume

```
<image>
  <name>helloWorldOutputVolume</name>
  <label>Output Volume</label>
  <channel>output</channel>
  <index>1</index>
  <default>None</default>
  <description>Output filtered</description>
</image>
```

```
</parameters>
```

```
</executable>
```



# Modifying the source code

---

```
# include <iostream>
```

```
int main(int argc, char * argv [])  
{
```

```
    std::cout<< "Hello World !"<<std::endl;
```

```
    return 0 ;
```

```
}
```



# Modifying the source code

---

```
# include <iostream>
```

```
#include "HelloWorldCLP.h"
```

```
int main(int argc, char * argv [])
```

```
{
```

```
    PARSE_ARGS;
```

```
    std::cout<< "Hello World !"<<std::endl;
```

```
    return EXIT_SUCCESS ;
```

```
}
```



# Editing CMakeLists.txt

```

ConTEXT - [C:\Slicer3\Slicer3\Applications\CLI\CMakeLists.txt]
File Edit View Format Project Tools Options Window Help
CMakeLists.txt
#####
SET (CLP ZeroCrossingBasedEdgeDetectio

SET ( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.cxx)
GENERATECLP( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.xml $
ADD_EXECUTABLE( ${CLP} ${ ${CLP}_SOURCE}
TARGET_LINK_LIBRARIES ( ${CLP} ITKIO IT

ADD_LIBRARY( ${CLP}Lib SHARED ${ ${CLP}_
SET_TARGET_PROPERTIES ( ${CLP}Lib PROPE
TARGET_LINK_LIBRARIES ( ${CLP}Lib ITKIO

#####
|SET (CLP HelloWorld)
SET ( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.cxx)
GENERATECLP( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.xml)

#####

SUBDIRS ( Realign )
SUBDIRS( DiffusionApplications )
SUBDIRS( ExtractSkeleton )
Ln 413, Col 1 Insert Sel: Normal UNIX File size: 16597

```

Add the following lines to CMakeLists.txt located in Slicer3/Applications/CLI (above the SUBDIRS lines):

find\_package(SlicerExecutionModel REQUIRED  
GenerateCLP)

set (CLP HelloWorld)

set (HelloWorld\_SOURCE HelloWorld.cxx)

GENERATECLP(HelloWorld\_SOURCE  
HelloWorld.xml)

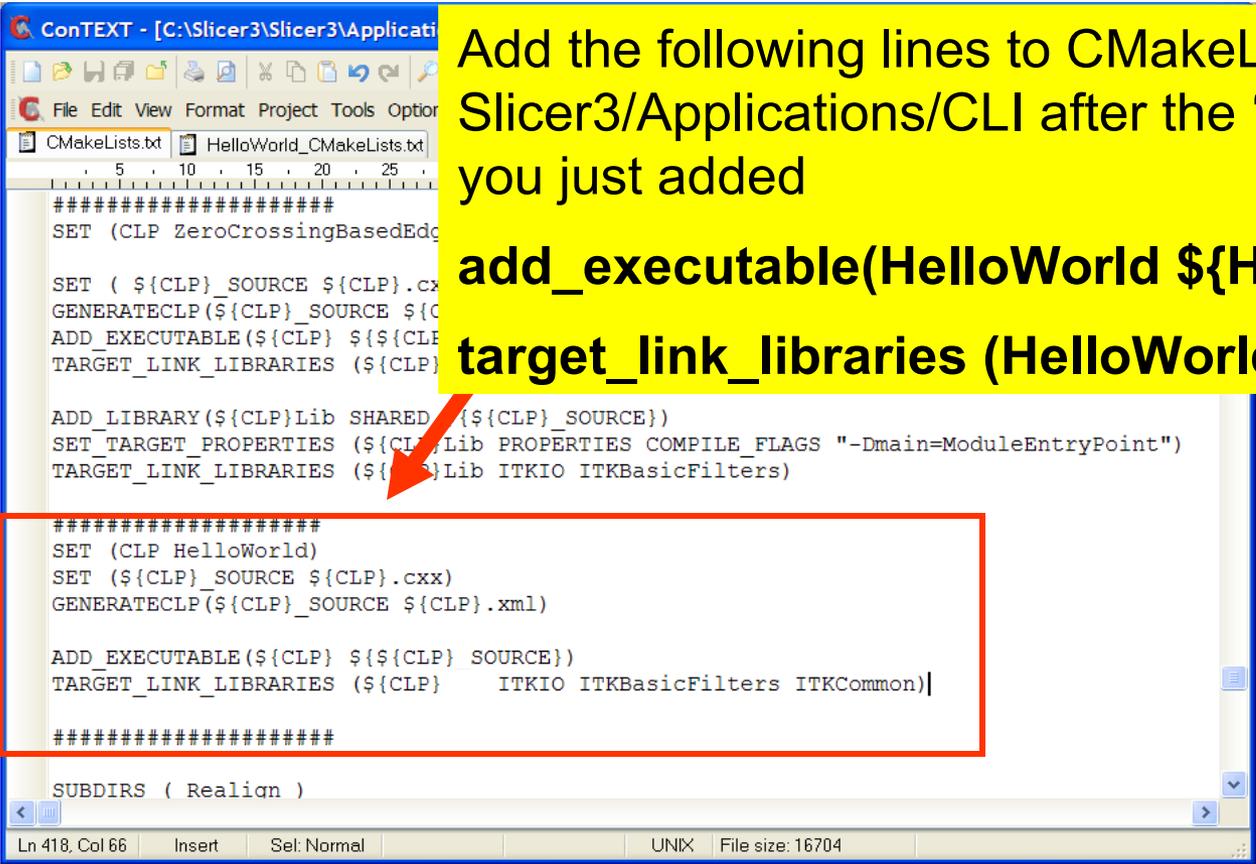
*GENERATECLP generates the file HelloWorldCLP.h for parsing the command line arguments.*

*'CLP' means Command Line Processing*

# Editing CMakeLists.txt

Add the following lines to CMakeLists.txt located in Slicer3/Applications/CLI after the 'GENERATECLP' line you just added

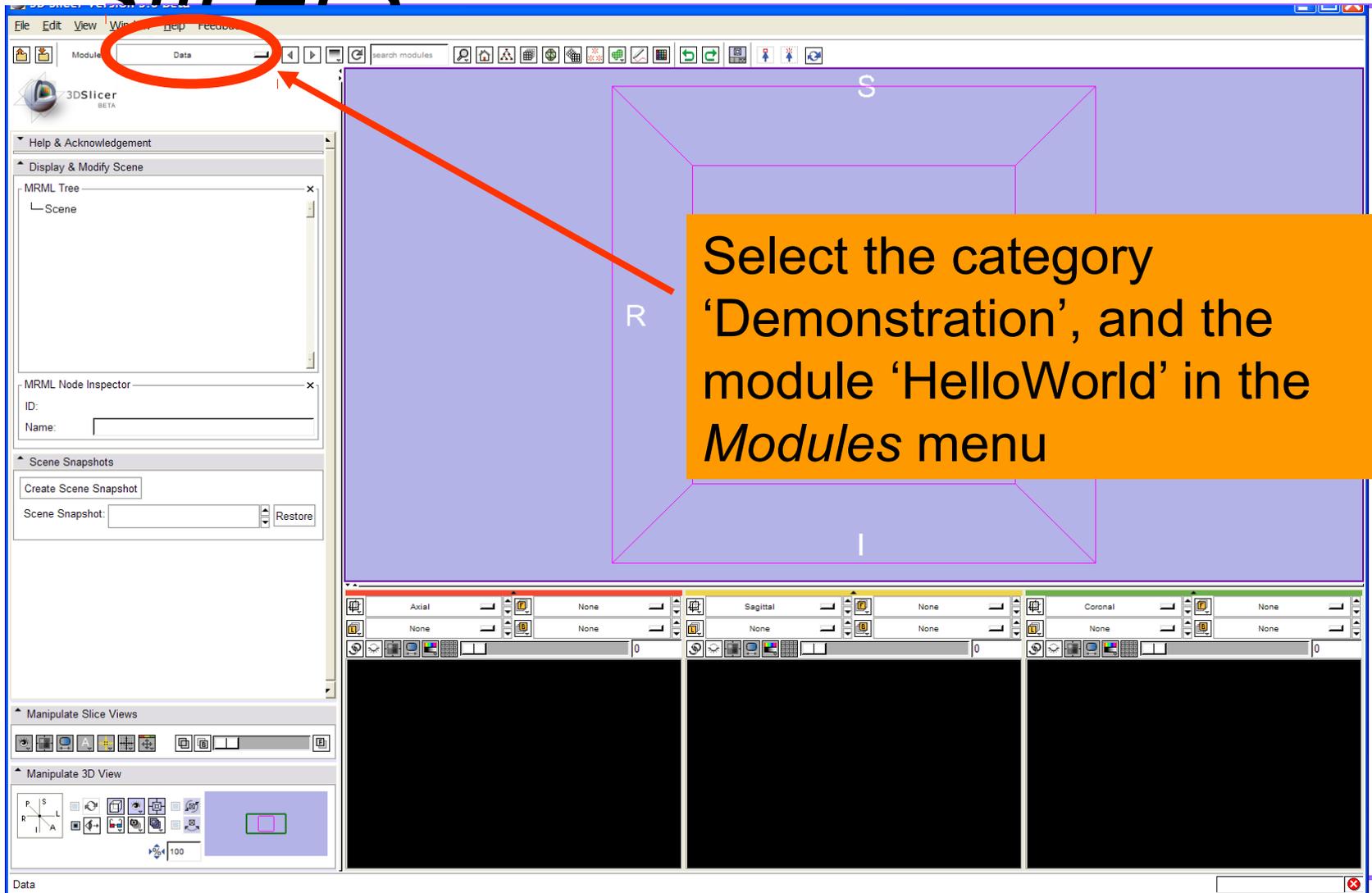
**add\_executable(HelloWorld \${HelloWorld\_SOURCE})**  
**target\_link\_libraries (HelloWorld \${ITK\_LIBRARIES})**



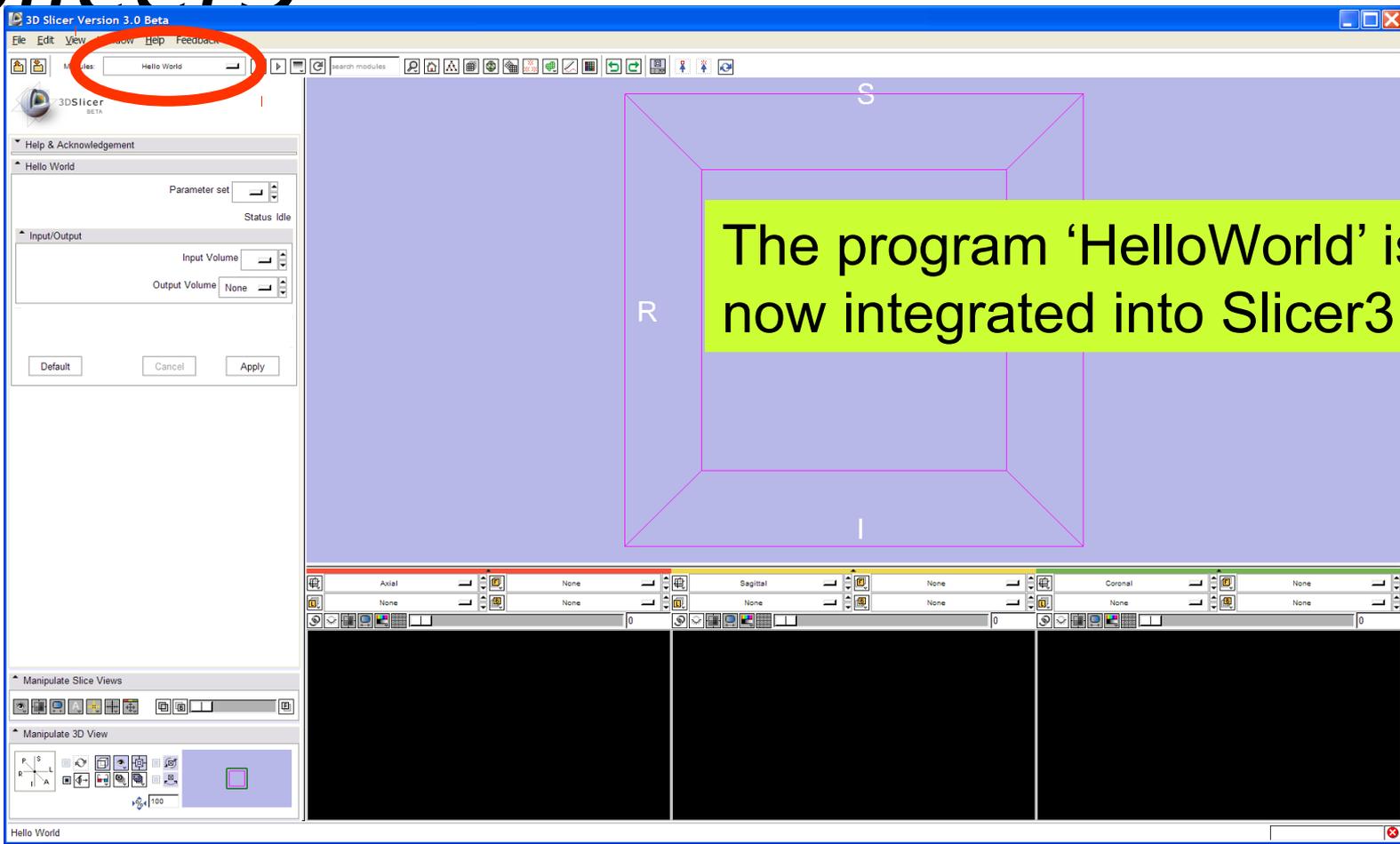
```
#####  
SET (CLP ZeroCrossingBasedEdge  
  
SET ( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.cx  
GENERATECLP(${CLP}_SOURCE ${C  
ADD_EXECUTABLE(${CLP} ${${CLP}  
TARGET_LINK_LIBRARIES (${CLP)  
  
ADD_LIBRARY(${CLP}Lib SHARED ${${CLP}_SOURCE})  
SET_TARGET_PROPERTIES (${CLP}Lib PROPERTIES COMPILE_FLAGS "-Dmain=ModuleEntryPoint")  
TARGET_LINK_LIBRARIES (${CLP}Lib ITKIO ITKBasicFilters)  
  
#####  
SET (CLP HelloWorld)  
SET ( ${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.cxx)  
GENERATECLP(${CLP}_SOURCE ${CLP}.xml)  
  
ADD_EXECUTABLE(${CLP} ${${CLP}_SOURCE})  
TARGET_LINK_LIBRARIES (${CLP} ITKIO ITKBasicFilters ITKCommon)|  
  
#####  
  
SUBDIRS ( Realign )  
  
Ln 418, Col 66 Insert Sel: Normal UNIX File size: 16704
```

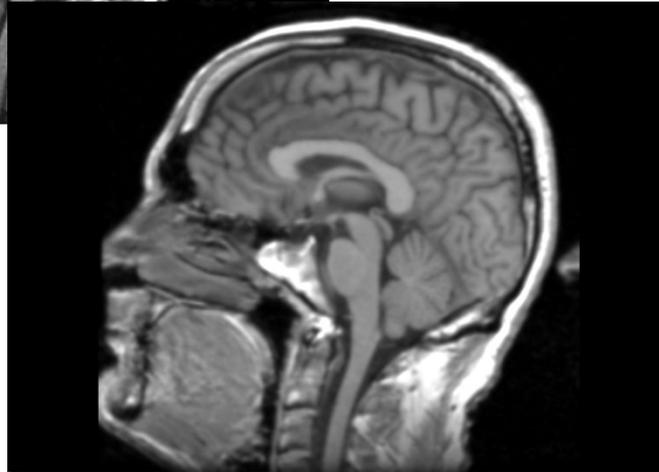
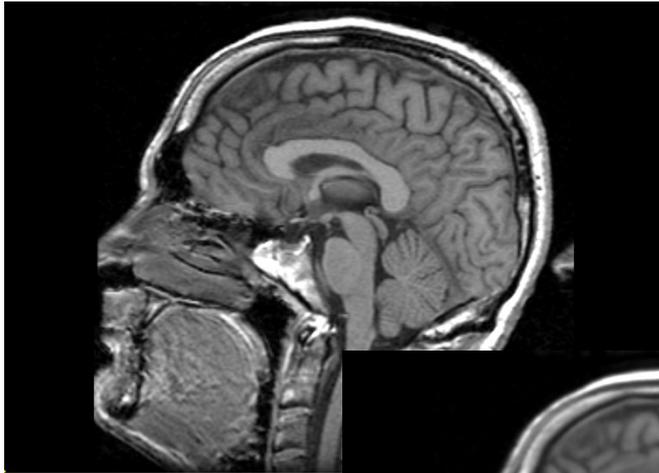
**ADD\_EXECUTABLE** creates the stand-alone executable **HelloWorld.exe** that can be run from a command line.

# HelloWorld module in Slicer3



# HelloWorld Module in Slicer3





## Part B: Implementing an edge filter



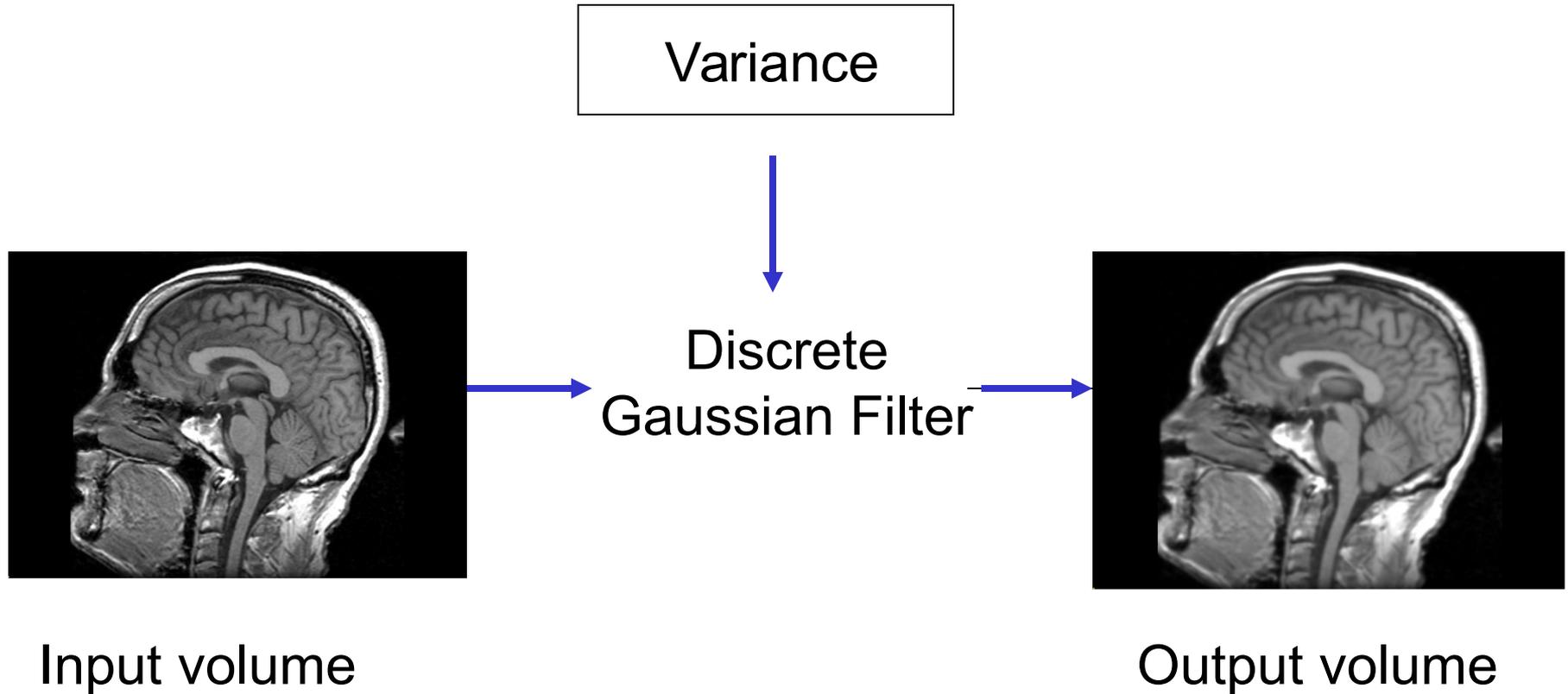
# Goal

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- In this section, we'll implement a Gaussian smoothing operator to 'blur' the images and remove detail and noise.
- This implementation will allow us to run the filter on volumes loaded in Slicer, and to integrate the resulting filtered volumes as MRML nodes.

# *Discrete Gaussian Filter*

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# Implementing Input/Output functionalities

Add the following lines to HelloWorld.cxx

```
#include <iostream>
#include "HelloWorldCLP.h"
#include "itkImage.h"
#include "itkImageFileReader.h"
#include "itkImageFileWriter.h"
int main(int argc, char * argv [])
{
    PARSE_ARGS;
    std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
    return EXIT_SUCCESS ;
}
```



# Implementing Input/Output functionalities

Add the following command lines to set-up the reading and writing functionalities in the 'main' procedure in HelloWorld.cxx

```
int main ( int argc, char * argv[]){
PARSE_ARGS;
std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
typedef itk::Image< short, 3 > ImageType;
typedef itk::ImageFileReader< ImageType > ReaderType;
typedef itk::ImageFileWriter< ImageType > WriterType;
ReaderType::Pointer reader = ReaderType::New();
WriterType::Pointer writer = WriterType::New();

return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```



# Implementing Input/Output functionalities

Set the input and output volumes parameters defined in HelloWorld.xml

```
int main ( int argc, char * argv[]){
  PARSE_ARGS;
  std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
  typedef itk::Image< short, 3 > ImageType;
  typedef itk::ImageFileReader< ImageType > ReaderType;
  typedef itk::ImageFileWriter< ImageType > WriterType;
  ReaderType::Pointer reader = ReaderType::New();
  WriterType::Pointer writer = WriterType::New();

  reader->SetFileName( helloWorldInputVolume.c_str() );
  writer->SetFileName (helloWorldOutputVolume.c_str());

  return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```



# HelloWorld.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<executable>
  <category>
    Demonstration</category>
  <title>
    Hello World</title>
  <description>
    Slicer Developer Example</description>
  <version>
    1.0</version>
  <documentation-url></documentation-url>
  <license></license>
  <contributor>
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  <parameters>
    <label>Input/Output</label>
    <description>Input/output parameters</description>
    ...
  </parameters>

  <parameters>
    <label>Discrete Gaussian Parameters</label>
    <description>Parameters of the Discrete Gaussian Filter </description>
  </parameters>
</executable>
```

Add a new parameter group to HelloWorld.xml





# Adding a new parameter to HelloWorld.xml

```
<parameters>
```

```
  <label>Discrete Gaussian Parameters</label>
```

```
  <description>Parameters of the Discrete  
  Gaussian Filter </description>
```

```
<double>
```

```
  <name>variance</name>
```

```
  <longflag>--variance</longflag>
```

```
  <description>Variance ( width of the filter  
  kernel) </description>
```

```
  <label>Variance</label>
```

```
  <default>0.5</default>
```

```
</double>
```

```
</parameters>
```

Add the parameter 'variance' which corresponds to the variance of the Discrete Gaussian Filter to HelloWorld.xml



# Implementing the filter in HelloWorld.cxx

Implement the filter `itk::DiscreteGaussianImageFilter`

```
#include "itkDiscreteGaussianImageFilter.h"
int main ( int argc, char * argv[]){
  PARSE_ARGS;
  std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
  typedef itk::Image< short, 3 >    ImageType;
  typedef itk::ImageFileReader< ImageType >  ReaderType;
  typedef itk::ImageFileWriter< ImageType >  WriterType;
  ReaderType::Pointer reader = ReaderType::New();
  WriterType::Pointer writer = WriterType::New();
  reader->SetFileName( helloWorldInputVolume.c_str() );
  writer->SetFileName(helloWorldOutputVolume.c_str());
typedef itk::DiscreteGaussianImageFilter <ImageType, ImageType>
    FilterType;
    FilterType::Pointer filter = FilterType::New();

  return EXIT_SUCCESS;}

```



# Implementing the filter in *HelloWorld.cxx*

Add the following lines for the filter execution:

```
try {
    filter->SetInput(reader->GetOutput());
    filter->SetVariance(variance);
    writer->SetInput(filter->GetOutput());
    writer->Update();
}
catch (itk::ExceptionObject &excep)
{
    std::cerr << argv[0] << ": exception caught !" <<
std::endl;
    return EXIT_FAILURE;
}
```



# HelloWorld.cxx

```
int main ( int argc, char * argv[]){
PARSE_ARGS;
std::cout << "Hello World!" << std::endl;
typedef itk::Image< short, 3 > ImageType;
typedef itk::ImageFileReader< ImageType > ReaderType;
typedef itk::ImageFileWriter< ImageType > WriterType;
ReaderType::Pointer reader = ReaderType::New();
WriterType::Pointer writer = WriterType::New();
reader->SetFileName( helloWorldInputVolume.c_str() );
writer->SetFileName (helloWorldOutputVolume.c_str());
typedef itk::DiscreteGaussianImageFilter <ImageType, ImageType> FilterType;
FilterType::Pointer filter = FilterType::New();

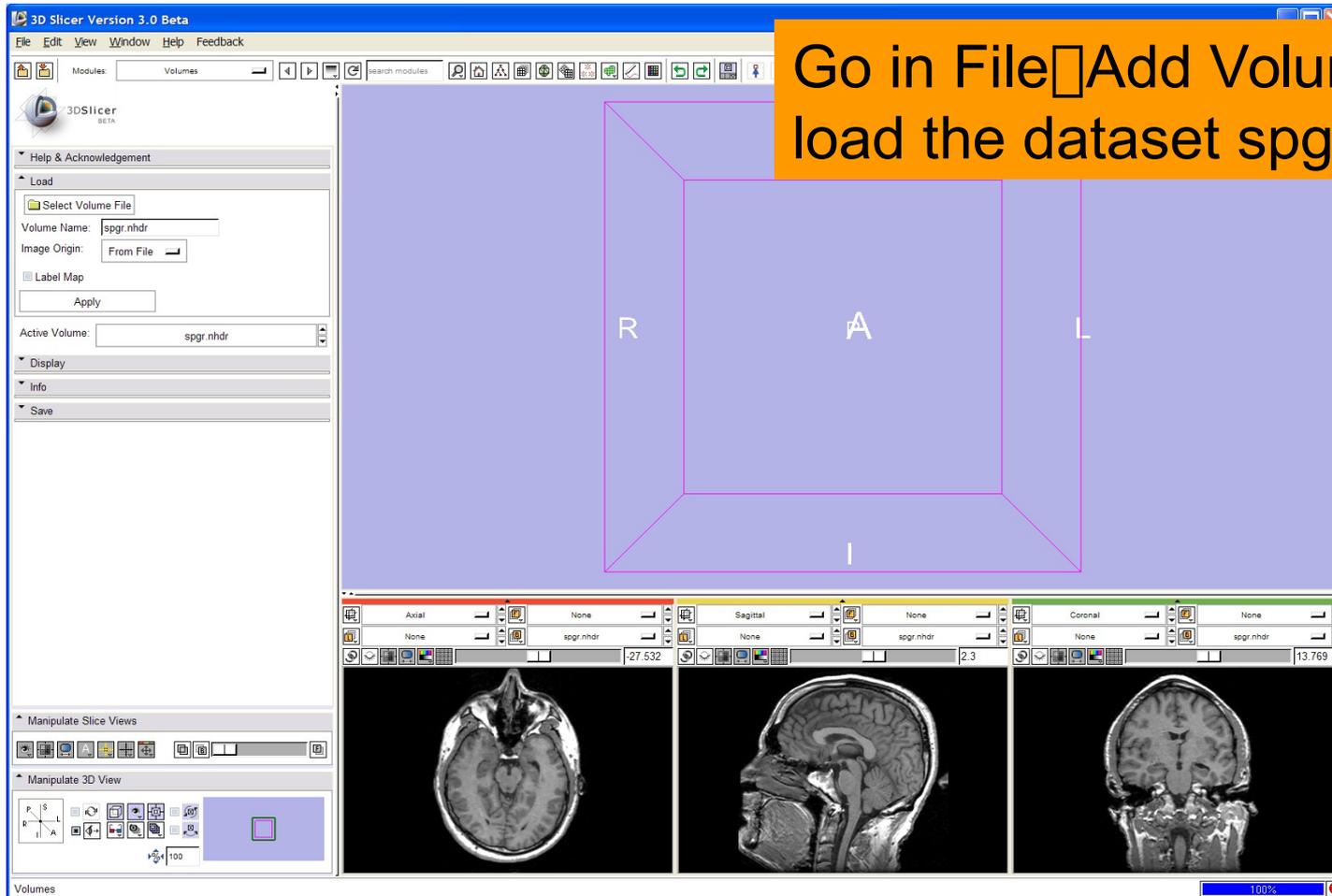
try {
    filter->SetInput (reader->GetOutput());
    filter->SetVariance (variance);
    writer->SetInput (filter->GetOutput());
    writer->Update();}
catch (itk::ExceptionObject &excep){
    std::cerr << argv[0] << ": exception caught !" << std::endl;
    return EXIT_FAILURE;}
return EXIT_SUCCESS;}
```

**Re-Compile  
HelloWorld**

**- Linux and Mac:  
Type make in  
Slicer3-build/  
- Windows: build  
Slicer3.sln**

# Running the Filter

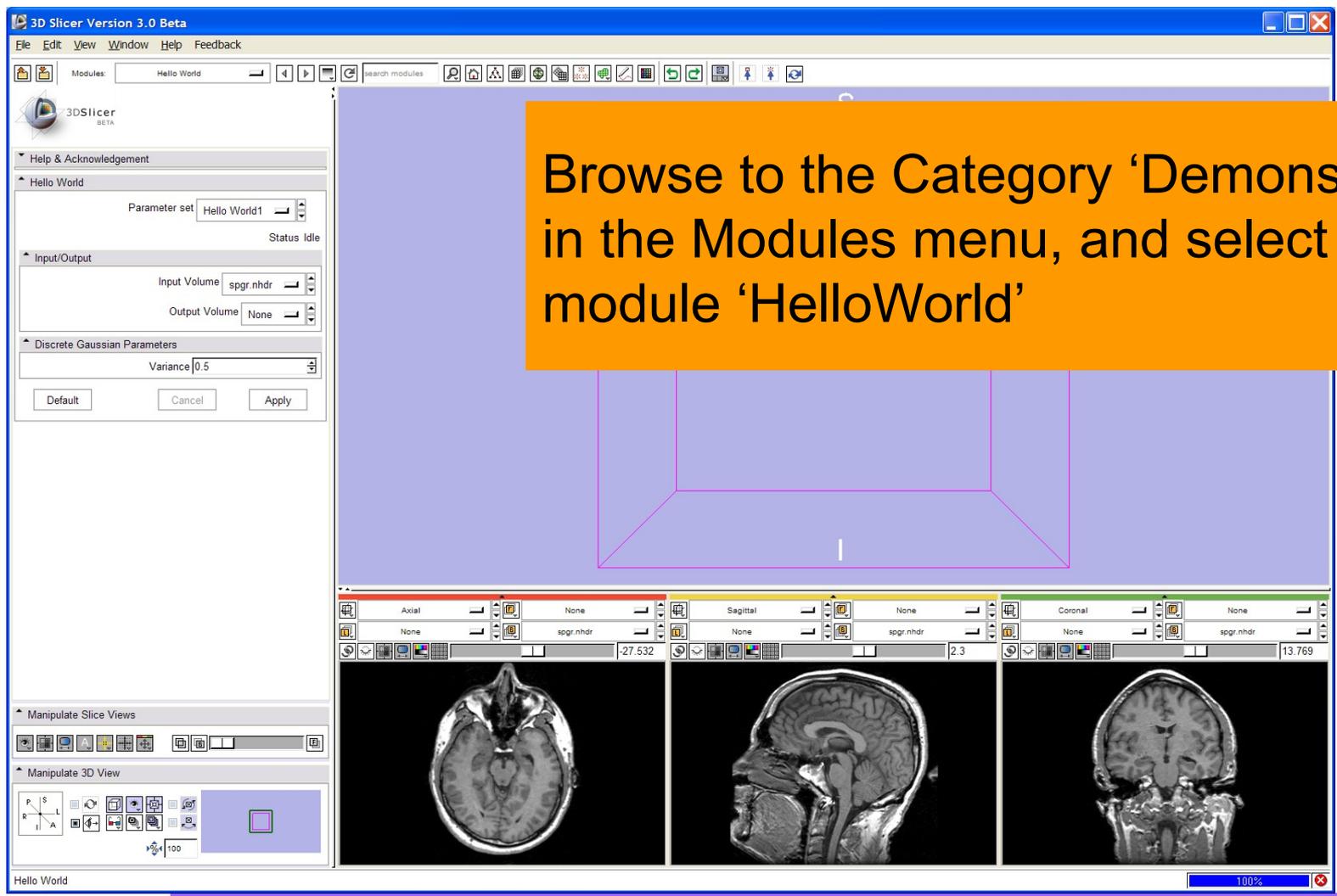
Go in File  $\square$  Add Volume and load the dataset spgr.nrrd





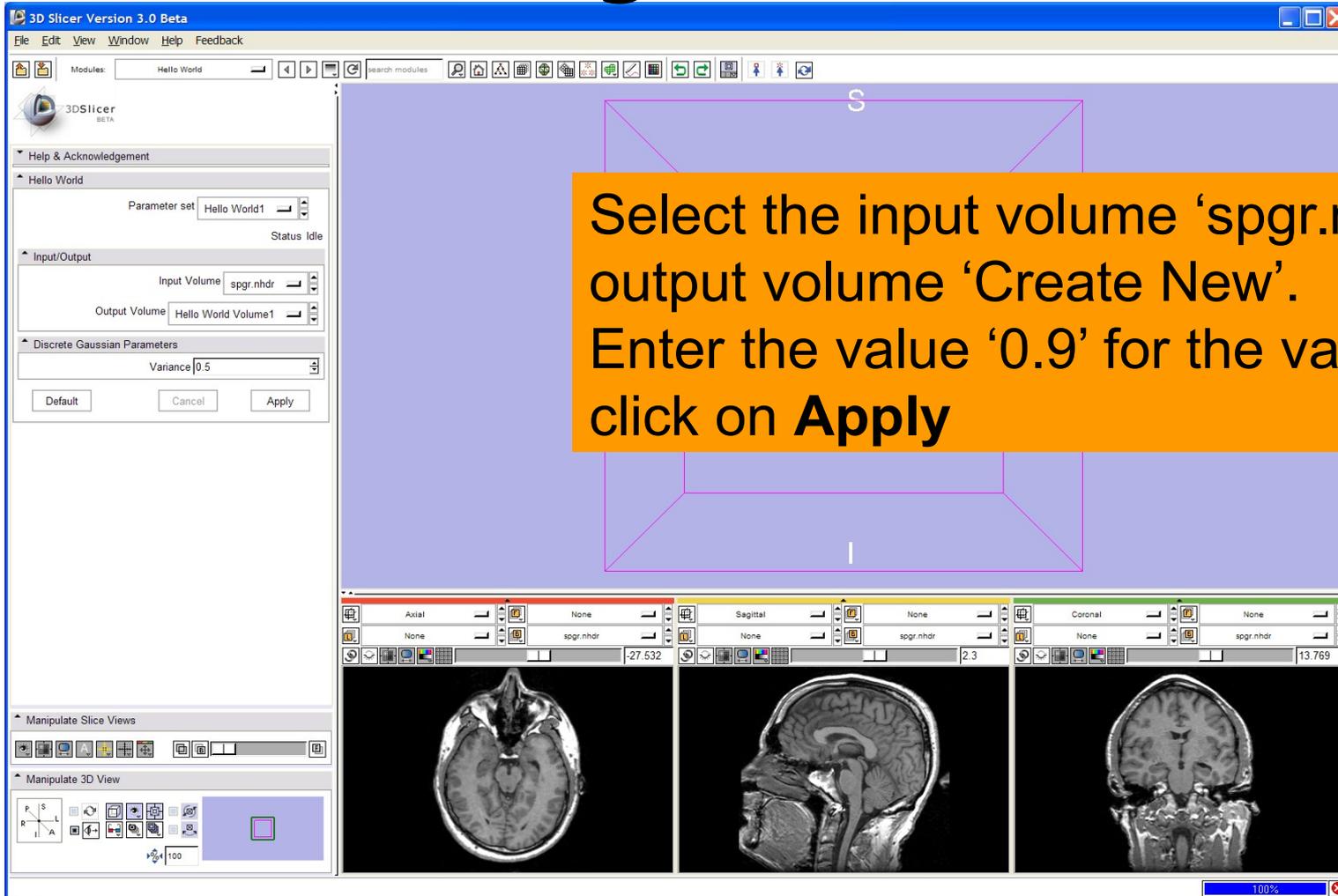
# Running the Filter

Browse to the Category 'Demonstration' in the Modules menu, and select the module 'HelloWorld'

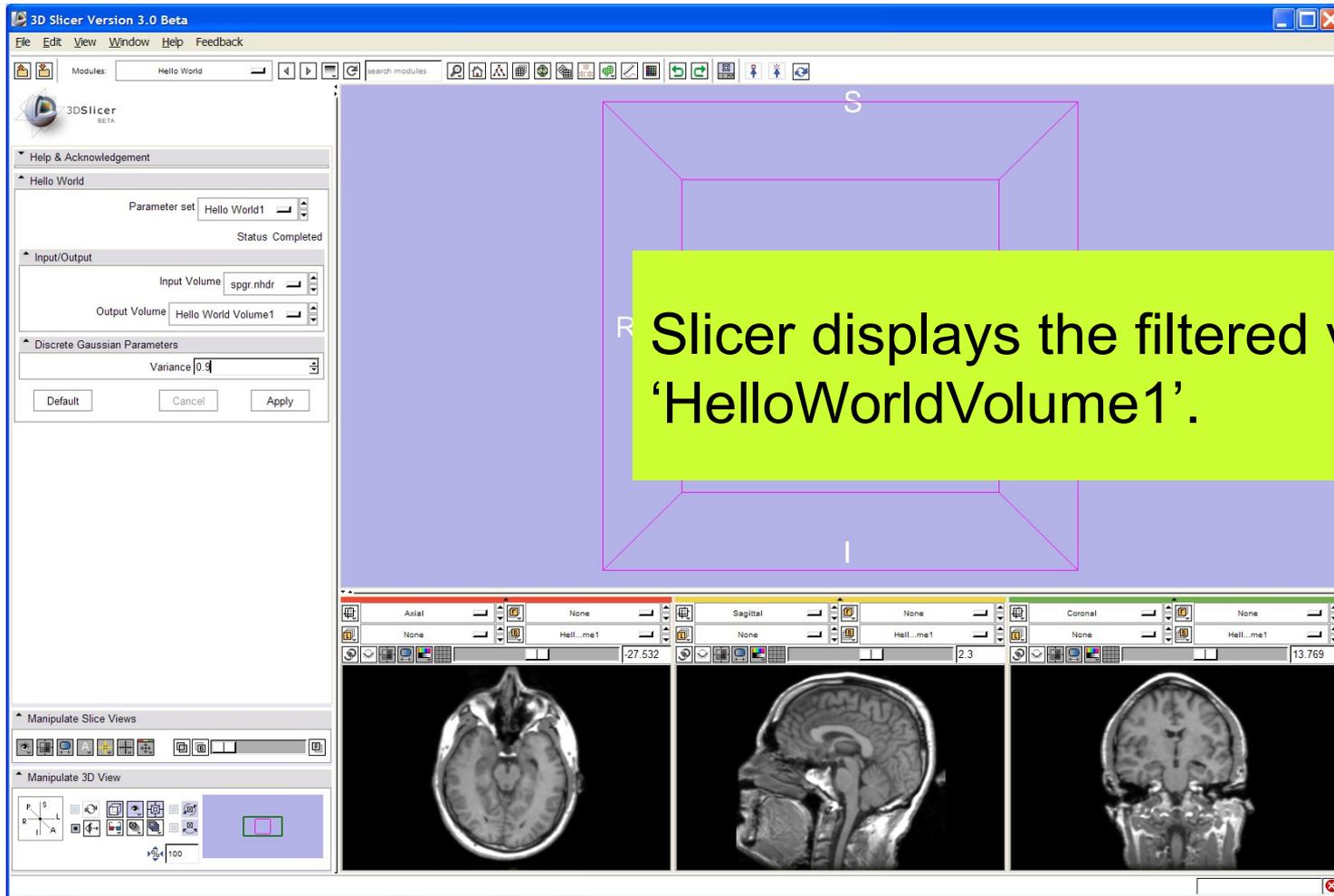




# Running the Filter

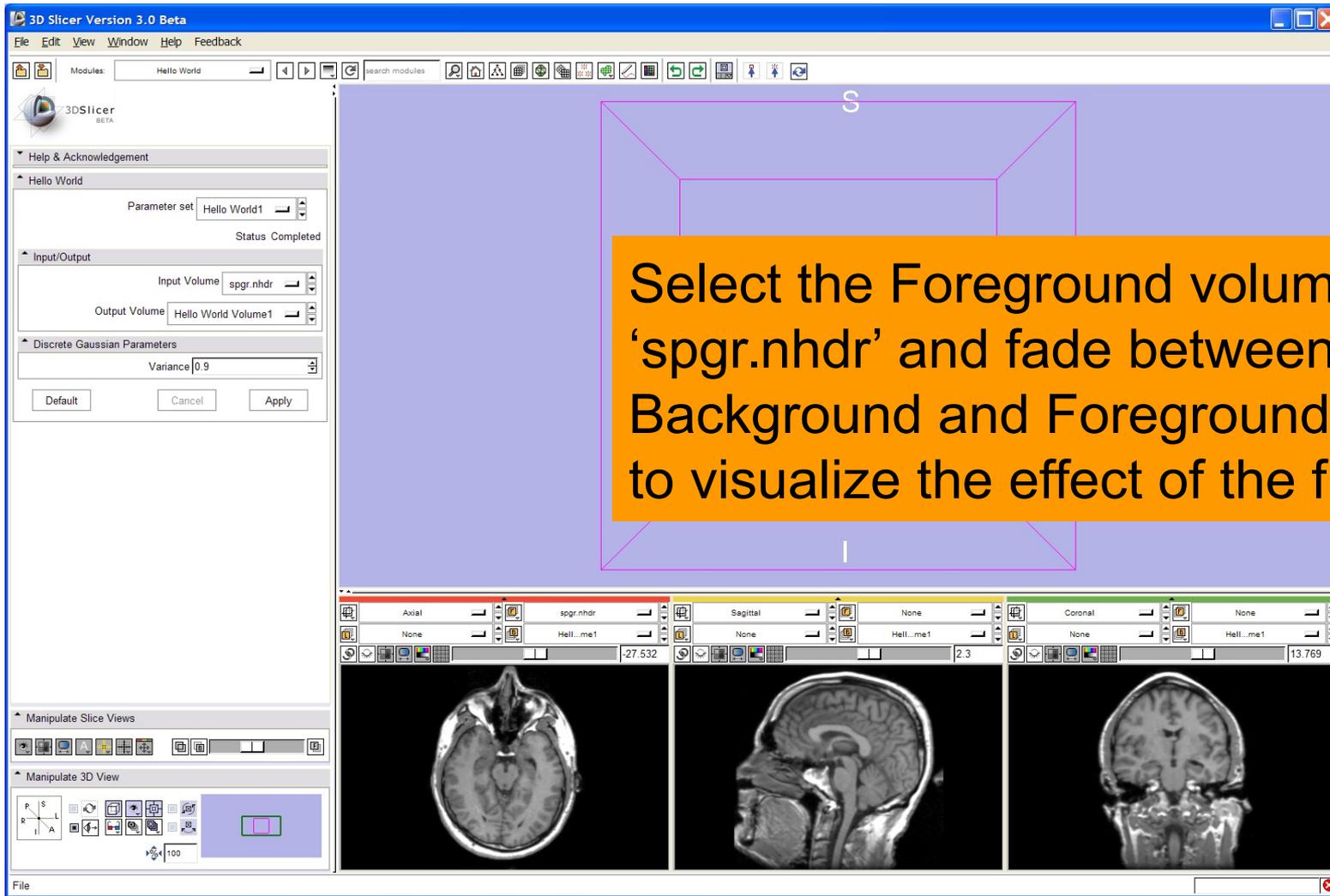


# Running the Filter



Slicer displays the filtered volume 'HelloWorldVolume1'.

# Running the Filter





# Conclusion

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- This course described functionalities for integrating, developing and testing external program within Slicer3.
- The Execution Model of Slicer3 provides a simple mechanism for incorporating command line programs as Slicer modules.
- [www.slicer.org](http://www.slicer.org)



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# Hello CLI: contributing an algorithm into Slicer 4

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# Learning Objective

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This step by step tutorial leads you through developing command line interface (CLI) for Slicer 4 (<http://www.slicer.org>)

- Getting ready
- Building a template module
- Building module for image thresholding



# Pre-requisite

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- Slicer is an open-source software for segmentation, registration and visualization of medical imaging data
- The platform is developed through a multi-institution effort of several NIH funded large-scale consortia
- Slicer is for medical research only, and is not FDA approved
- For the general information and “How to” tutorials please visit <http://www.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Documentation/Nightly/Training>



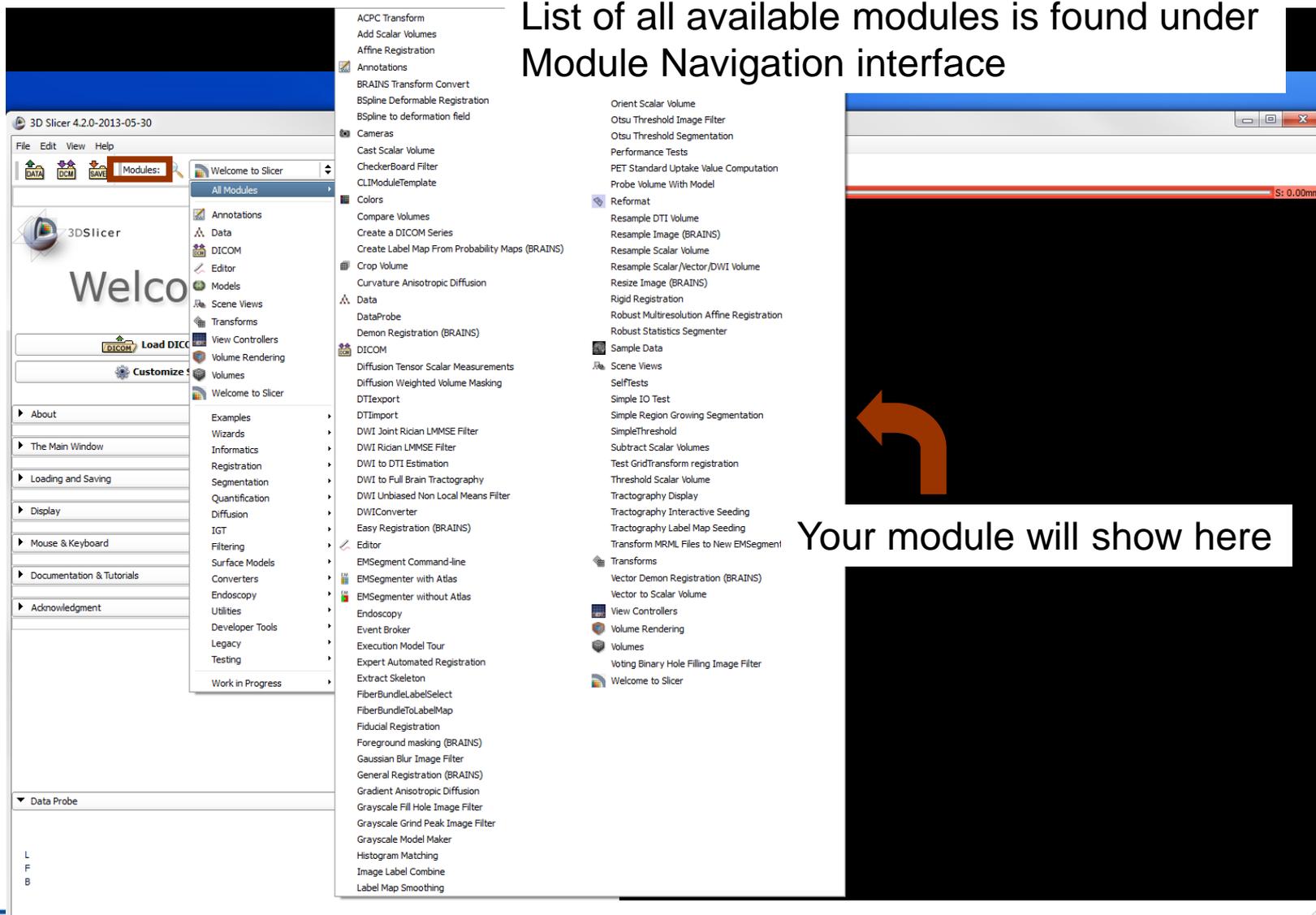
# Material

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- We recommend to build Slicer 4 from source
- Refer to the following page:  
[http://www.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Documentation/Nightly/Developers/Build\\_Instructions](http://www.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Documentation/Nightly/Developers/Build_Instructions)
- Read prerequisites and platform specific instructions and install all required tools
- Checkout Slicer source
- Configure and build
- Become Slicer community member:  
<http://www.slicer.org/slicerWiki/index.php/Documentation/Nightly/Developers/StartHere>

# Run Slicer: *path-to-SlicerSuperbuild/Slicer-build/Slicer.exe*

List of all available modules is found under Module Navigation interface



The screenshot shows the 3D Slicer 4.2.0-2013-05-30 interface. The 'Modules' menu is open, listing various modules such as ACPC Transform, Add Scalar Volumes, Affine Registration, Annotations, BRAINS Transform Convert, BSpline Deformable Registration, BSpline to deformation field, Cameras, Cast Scalar Volume, CheckerBoard Filter, CLIModuleTemplate, Colors, Compare Volumes, Create a DICOM Series, Create Label Map From Probability Maps (BRAINS), Crop Volume, Curvature Anisotropic Diffusion, Data, DataProbe, Demon Registration (BRAINS), DICOM, Diffusion Tensor Scalar Measurements, Diffusion Weighted Volume Masking, DTIexport, DTIimport, DWI Joint Rician LMMSE Filter, DWI Rician LMMSE Filter, DWI to DTI Estimation, DWI to Full Brain Tractography, DWI Unbiased Non Local Means Filter, DWIConverter, Easy Registration (BRAINS), Editor, EMSegment Command-line, EMSegmenter with Atlas, EMSegmenter without Atlas, Endoscopy, Event Broker, Execution Model Tour, Expert Automated Registration, Extract Skeleton, FiberBundleLabelSelect, FiberBundleToLabelMap, Fiducial Registration, Foreground masking (BRAINS), Gaussian Blur Image Filter, General Registration (BRAINS), Gradient Anisotropic Diffusion, Grayscale Fill Hole Image Filter, Grayscale Grind Peak Image Filter, Grayscale Model Maker, Histogram Matching, Image Label Combine, and Label Map Smoothing. A red box highlights the 'Modules' button in the top toolbar. An orange arrow points to a window titled 'Your module will show here'.



# CLI module

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- Standalone executables, shared libraries or scripts
- Introduced via plugin mechanism
- XML description produces UI
- Command line parsing code
- Link: [http://www.na-mic.org/Wiki/index.php/File:Slicer4\\_CLI.ppt](http://www.na-mic.org/Wiki/index.php/File:Slicer4_CLI.ppt)



# Creating module: Step 1

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- Make sure that any version of Python is installed on your computer
- From Slicer source directory run the command:  
`./Utilities/Scripts/ModuleWizard.py --template  
./Extensions/Testing/CLIExtensionTemplate --target  
../My_Module My_Module`
- This command created a new directory “My\_Module” parallel to Slicer source directory



# Build extension: Windows

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- Run cmake
- Set Slicer\_DIR to path-to-Slicer-Superbuid/Slicer-build
- Set *../My\_Module* as a source directory
- Choose a build directory
- Use default settings
- Compile using VC

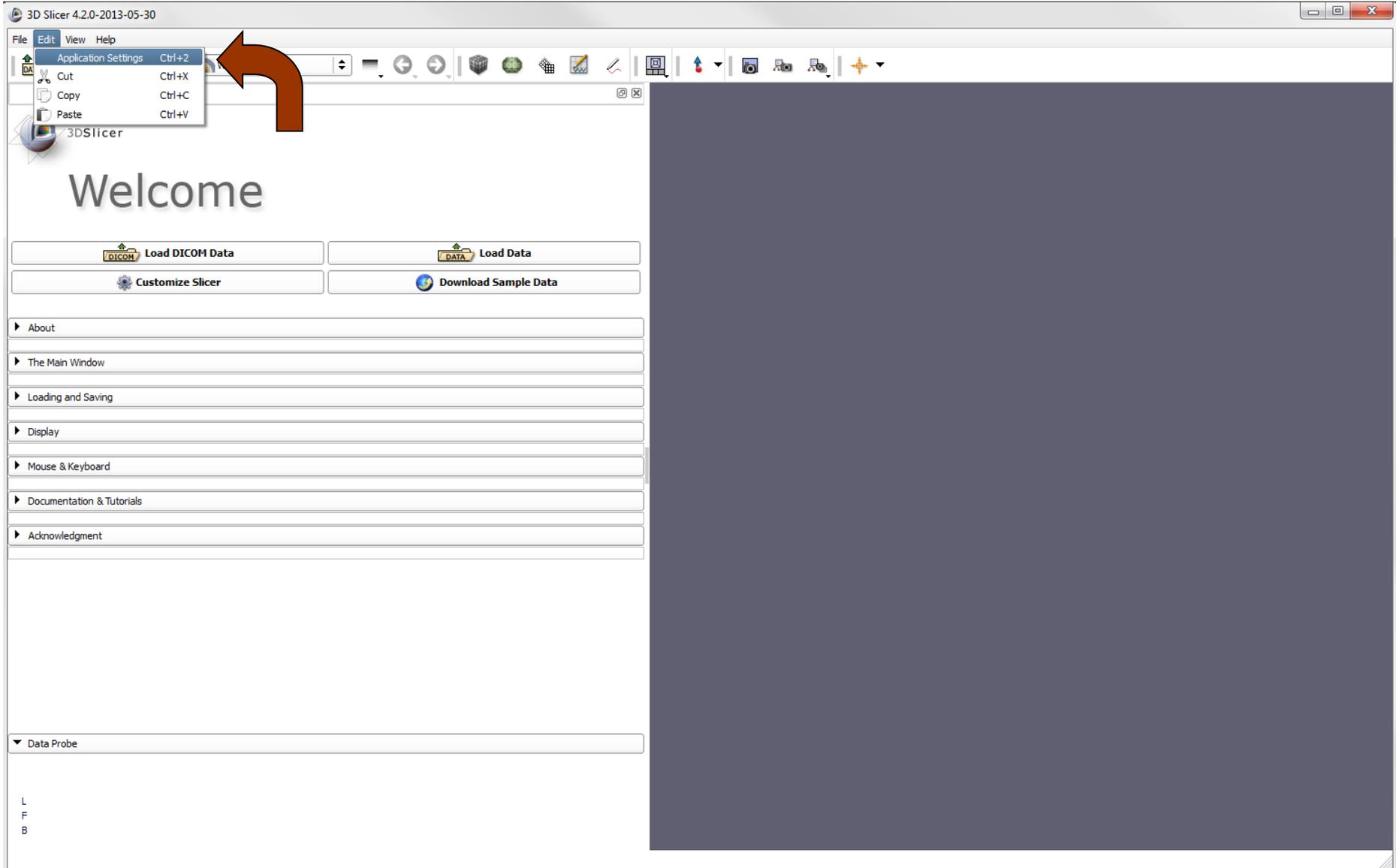


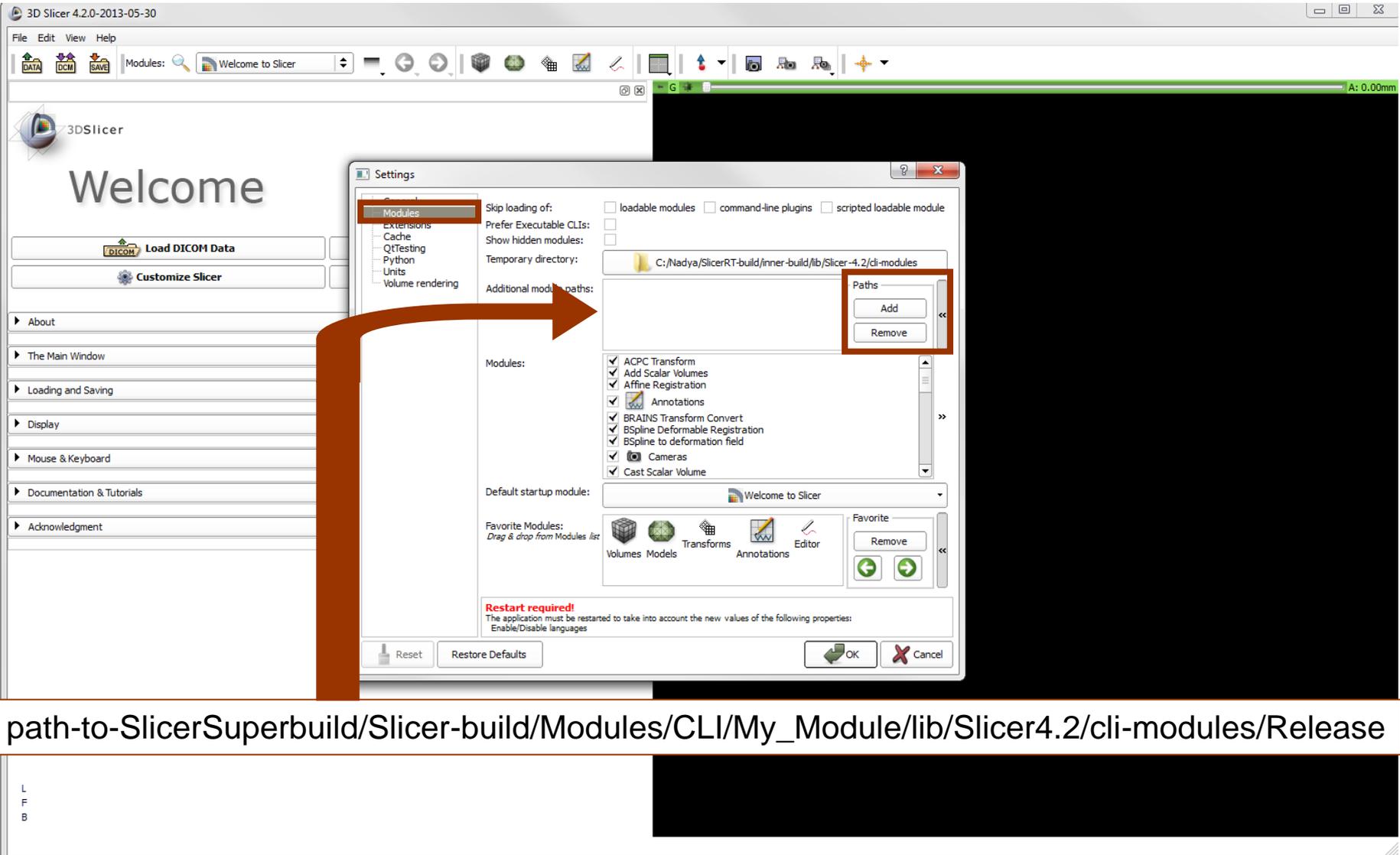
# Build extension: Linux

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- `$ mkdir My_Module-build`
- `$ cd My_Module-build`
- `$ cmake -DSlicer_DIR:PATH=/path-to-Slicer-Superbuild/Slicer-build ../My_Module`
- `$ make`

# Set the path to My\_Module in the Application Settings

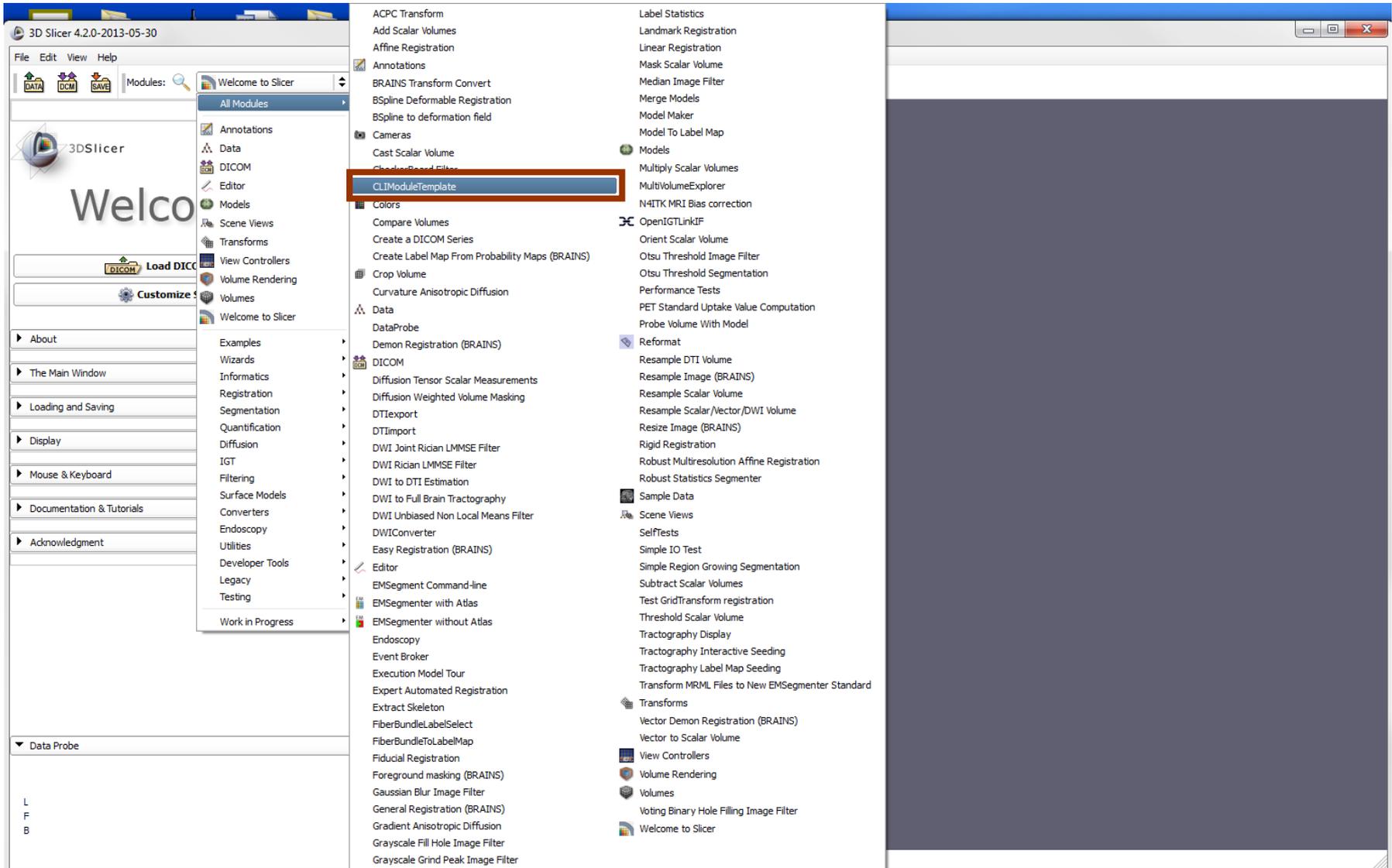




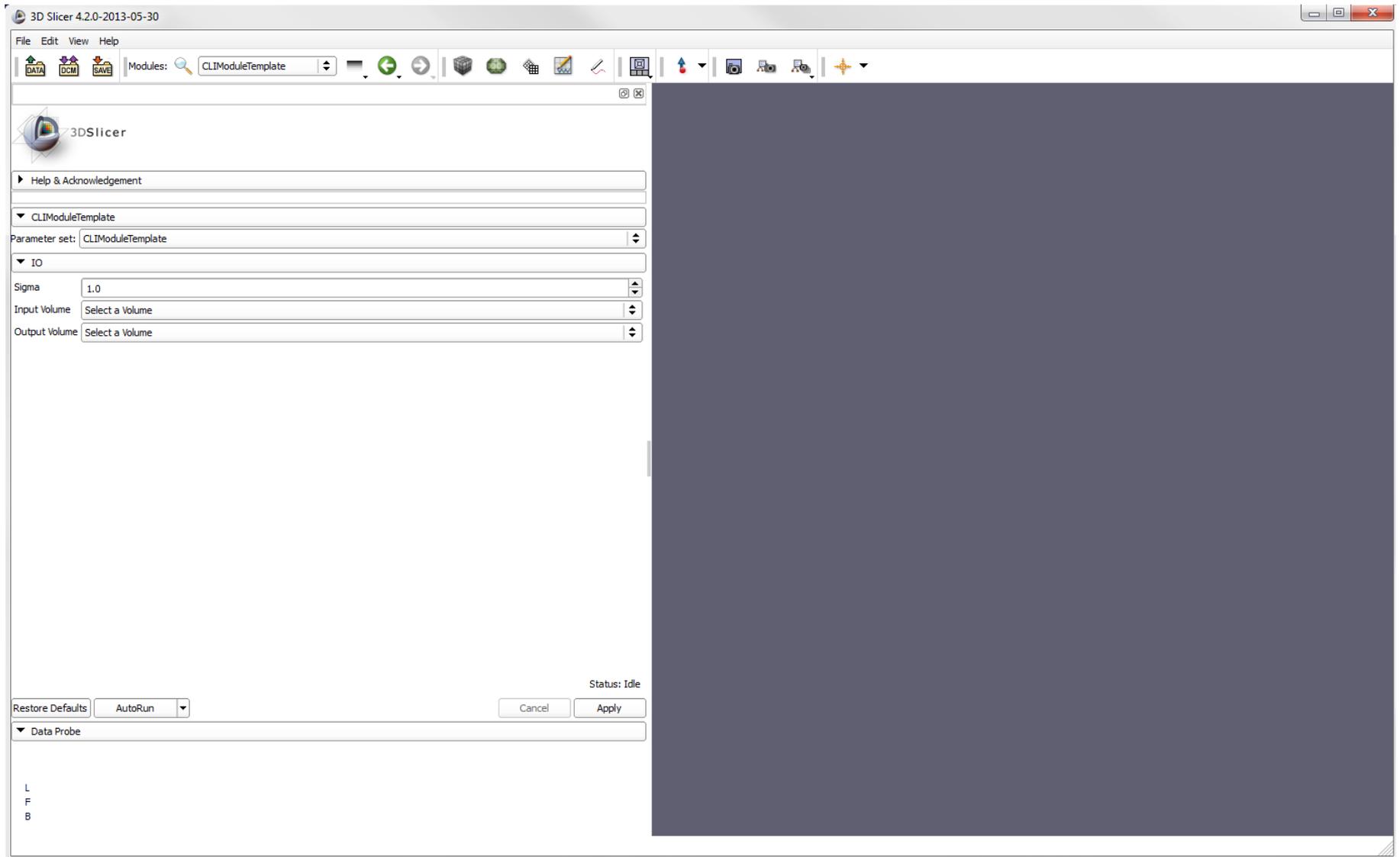
path-to-SlicerSuperbuild/Slicer-build/Modules/CLI/My\_Module/lib/Slicer4.2/cli-modules/Release

**Restart Slicer!**

# Find the module CLIModuleTemplate in the Module Navigation interface



# Open the module. Congratulations!

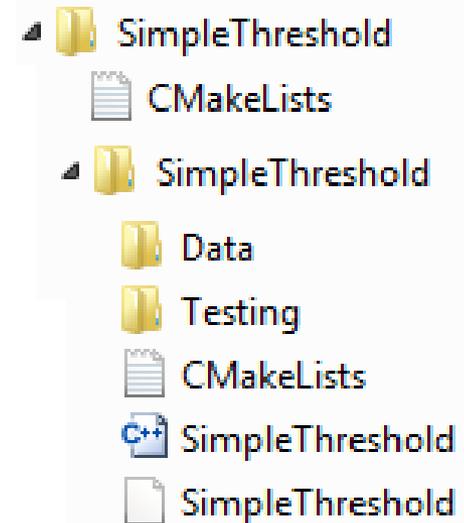




# Creating module: Step 2

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- Download sample data:  
[https://forge.abcd.harvard.edu/gf/download/frsrelease/85/2851/hello\\_cli.zip](https://forge.abcd.harvard.edu/gf/download/frsrelease/85/2851/hello_cli.zip)
- The name of directory is the name of the Module as it appears in the list of modules



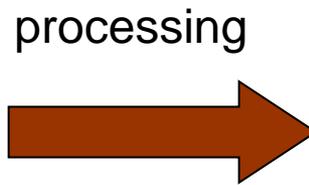


# Module function

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Input image



Output image



# Module description

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## GUI

▼ IO

Input Volume	Select a Volume
Output Volume	Select a Volume

▼ ThresholdParameters

Lower Threshold	10
Upper Threshold	50

## XML

```
<image>
  <name>inputVolume</name>
  <label>Input Volume</label>
  <channel>input</channel>
  <index>0</index>
  <description><![CDATA[Inputvolume]]></decription>
</image>

<integer>
  <name>lowerThreshold</name>
  <longflag>--lowerThreshold</longflag>
  <description><![CDATA[The lower threshold]]></description>
  <label>Lower Threshold</label>
  <default>10</default>
</integer>
<integer>
```



# Module coding

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```
typedef itk::ImageFileReader<InputImageType> ReaderType;  
typedef itk::ImageFileWriter<OutputImageType> WriterType;  
typename ReaderType::Pointer reader = ReaderType::New();  
reader->SetFileName( inputVolume.c_str() );  
itk::GetImageType(inputVolume, pixelType, componentType);
```

```
typedef itk::BinaryThresholdImageFilter<  
    InputImageType, OutputImageType> FilterType;  
typename FilterType::Pointer filter = FilterType::New();  
filter->SetLowerThreshold(lowerThreshold);
```



# Compile the module

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- From Slicer source directory run the command:  
`./Utilities/Scripts/ModuleWizard.py --template  
../SimpleThreshold --target ../SimpleThreshold  
SimpleThreshold`
- Build extension (pp 9,10 )
- Start Slicer
- Set the path to SimpleThreshold in the Application Settings (pp 11,12 )
- Restart Slicer



# Loading data

3D Slicer 4.2.0-2013-05-30

File Edit View Help

Modules: SimpleThreshold

3DSlicer

Help & Acknowledgement

SimpleThreshold

Parameter set: SimpleThreshold

IO

Input Volume: Select a Volume

Output Volume: Select a Volume

ThresholdParameters

Lower Threshold: 10

Upper Threshold: 50

Reset

Ok Cancel

Status: Idle

Cancel Apply

Data Probe

L  
F  
B

0.00mm

Click OK

Navigate to the location of ct\_head.mha

3D Slicer 4.2.0-2013-05-30

File Edit View Help

Modules: SimpleThreshold

3DSlicer

Choose ct\_head.mha in Input Volume and  
"Create new Volume" in Output Volume

Input Volume: ct\_head

Output Volume: Output Volume

ThresholdParameters

Lower Threshold: 10

Upper Threshold: 50

Click Apply

Restore Defaults AutoRun

Status: Idle

Cancel Apply

Data Probe

L  
F  
B



# Saving data

In "Save" menu choose volume and format to save

Click Save

File Name	File Format	Directory
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2013-06-11-Scene.mrml	MRML Scene (.mrml)	C:/cygwin/home/Nadya
<input type="checkbox"/> ct_head.mha	MetaImage (.mha)	F:/Work/CT_for_noise
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Output Volume.nrrd	NRRD (.nrrd)	C:/cygwin/home/Nadya



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# Bridging Academia and Industry Using Open-Source Software

Stephen R. Aylward, Ph.D.

Senior Director of Operations and Medical Research



# The professor...



# ...and his students



Bob (the “perfect” student)





Bob  
graduates



I cannot find  
Bob's code.





Bob's code  
won't  
compile





I cannot  
replicate  
Bob's  
results





I emailed Bob  
a question,  
but he hasn't  
responded

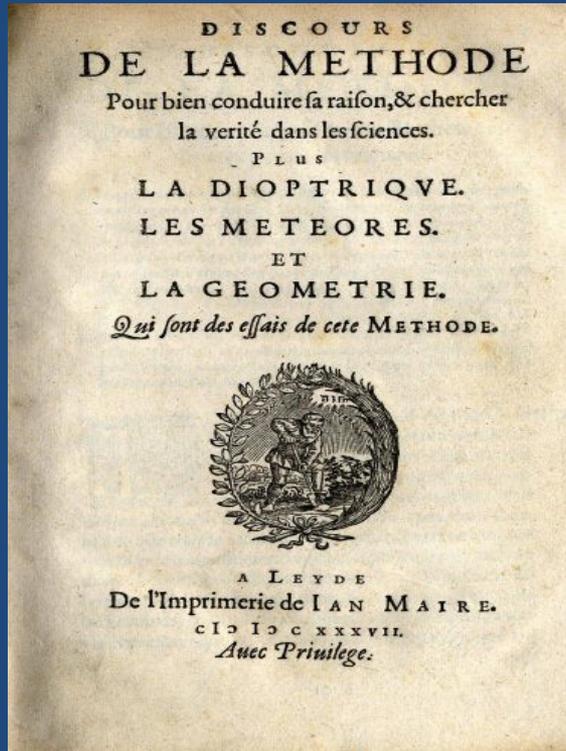


The open-source “attitude” is the answer

*Focus on writing code  
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and will want to use.*

# Open Science

*Science must be reproducible*



**Discourse  
on the (Scientific) Method**

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**Descartes 1637**

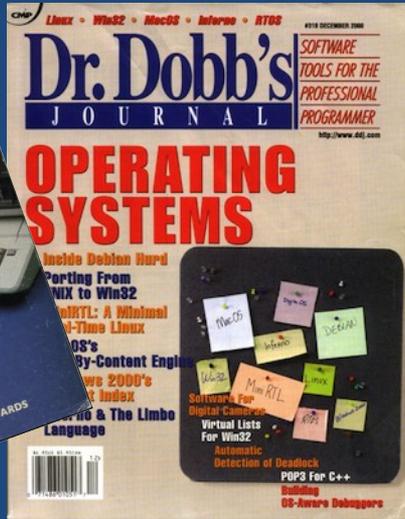
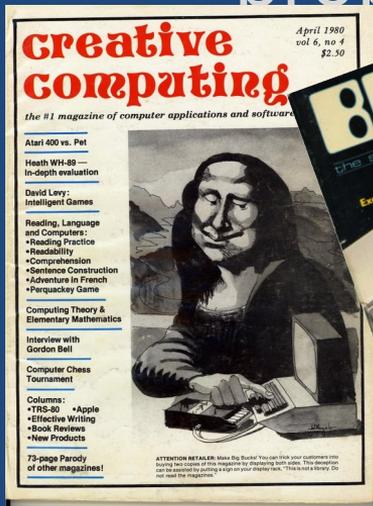
**“DOUBT EVERYTHING and  
only believe in those  
things that are evidently  
true (reproducible)”**

# Outline

- History
- Methods
- Bridges and research

# History of open source

- 1970's Open source was the norm
- 1980's Almost all software was proprietary



# History of open source

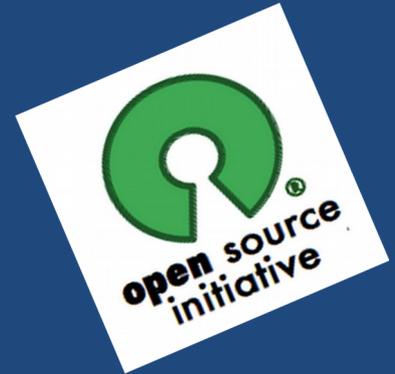
- 1983 GNU forced cooperative software development



“Copyleft”

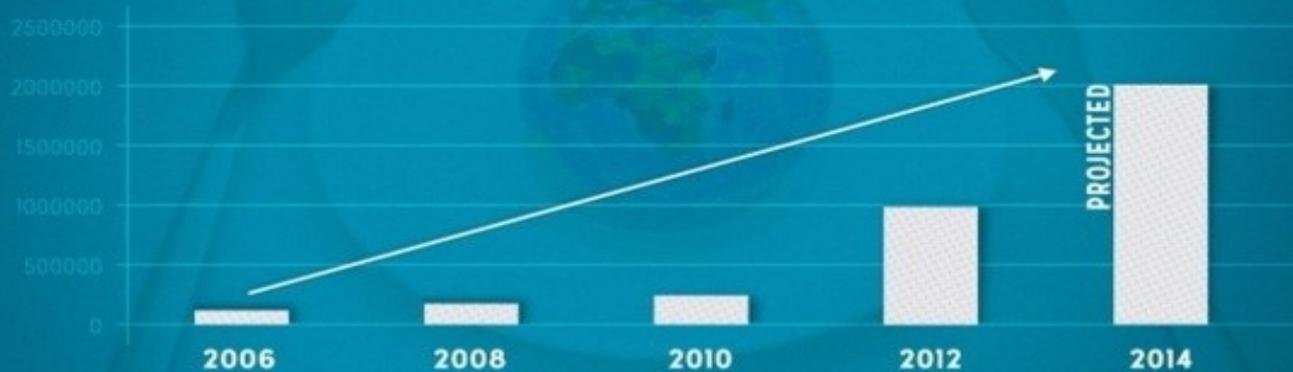
# History of open source

- Now Open source permeates academia and industry
  - BSD-style license
  - Platforms: Android, Linux
  - Tools: MySQL, CMake
  - Technologies: ITK, VTK, Slicer



# History of open source

OPEN SOURCE IS EATING THE SOFTWARE WORLD



OVER 1 MILLION UNIQUE OPEN SOURCE PROJECTS TODAY

Over 80% of commercial software contains open source.

# History of open source

VTK, ITK,  
CMake, Slicer,  
ParaView

= 130,000++  
downloads  
per month



World of Warcraft



# Excuses

“I’d rather spend my time on things that will help me...

publish

finish my  
dissertation

write a  
proposal

start my  
company

sell my  
company

Make  
\$1,000,000





The open-source “attitude” is the answer

“Who ever has the most ideas  
stolen, wins.”

-- Dr. Fred

Brooks

# Impact

- An Object-Oriented Approach To 3D Graphics (Schroeder)
  - 3,065 Citations
- The ITK Software Guide (Yoo)
  - 1,039 Citations
- Object-oriented modeling and design (Lorensen)
  - 10,089

3D Slicer: 179,000 downloads



# Failure of Reproducibility

***Nature*** (March 2012)

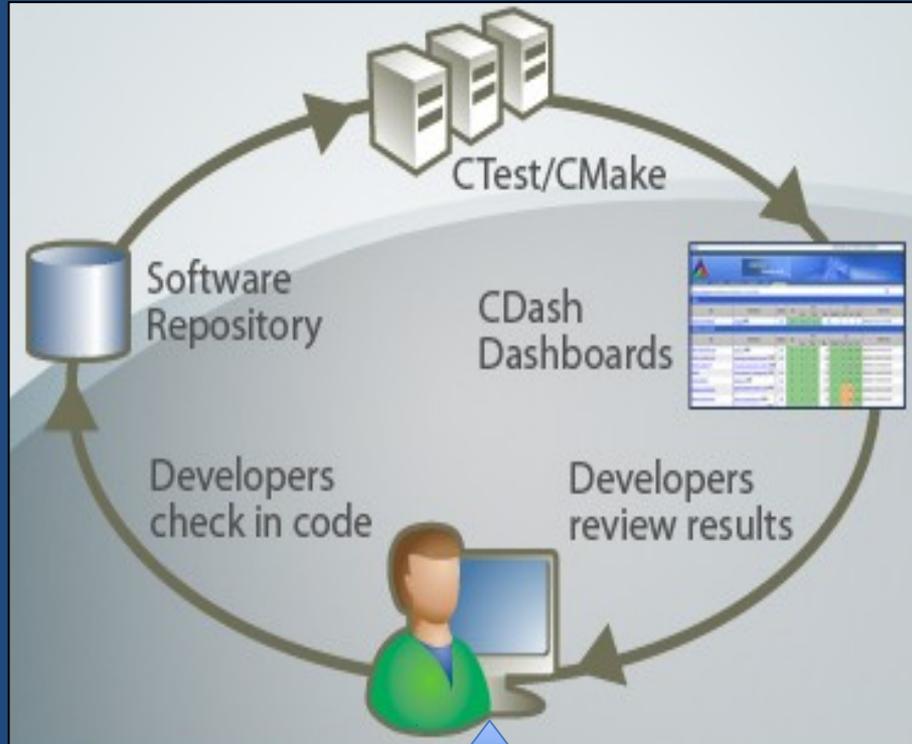
Glenn Begley, head of cancer research at pharma giant Amgen

Lee M. Ellis, cancer researcher at the University of Texas

“During a decade as head of global cancer research at Amgen, Glenn Begley identified 53 'landmark' publications — papers in top journals, from reputable labs — for his team to reproduce. Begley sought to double-check the findings before trying to build on them for drug development. Result: 47 of the 53 could not be replicated.”

# Methods of Open Source

## High-quality software processes...

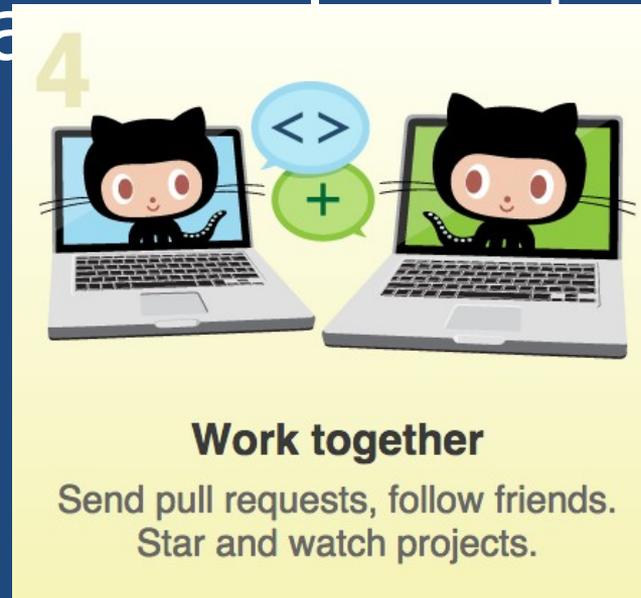


# Tools for the Open-Source

## Attitude

GITHUB as a software repository...

“Release often.”



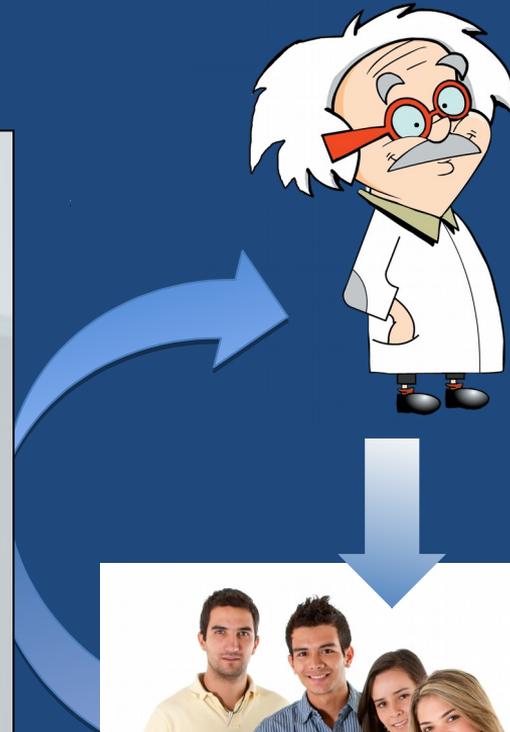
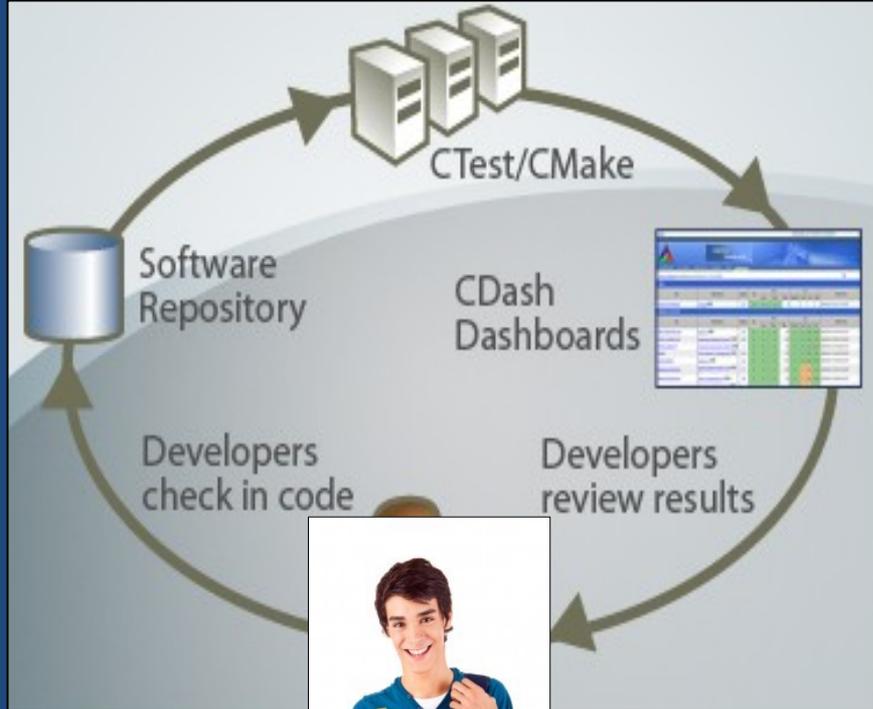
# Tools for the Open-Source Attitude

“Test driven development.”

“Continuous reporting of results.”

**CMake &  
CDash**

Build Name	Update	Configure			Build		Test		
	Files	Error	Warn	Error	Warn	Not Run	Fail	Pass	
🍏 MacOSX10.8.2-gcc4.2.1	11	0	0	0	0	0	15	199	
🐧 Ubuntu12.04-gcc4.6.3	12	0	0	0	1596 <sup>+1</sup> <sub>5</sub>	0	80 <sup>+7</sup>	141	
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# Industry and academia are converging...

- Open source is a conduit from academia to industry: ideas and people
- Reduces development time, expertise, risks, and costs
- No recurring licenses
- Lifecycle from prototype to production

**Proprietary applications and methods**

Open source

**Proprietary hardware: MRI, Phone**





# The Insight Toolkit (ITK)

1999: NLM organized \$13.5M  
for ITK

- GE Research / Harvard
- Kitware, Inc.
- Insightful / UPenn
- UNC / UPitt
- UPenn / Columbia
- University of Utah
- Mayo Clinic
- Harvard / Brigham and Women's Hospital
- Cognita, Inc.
- Imperial and King's College London
- University of Iowa
- Georgetown University
- Carnegie Mellon University

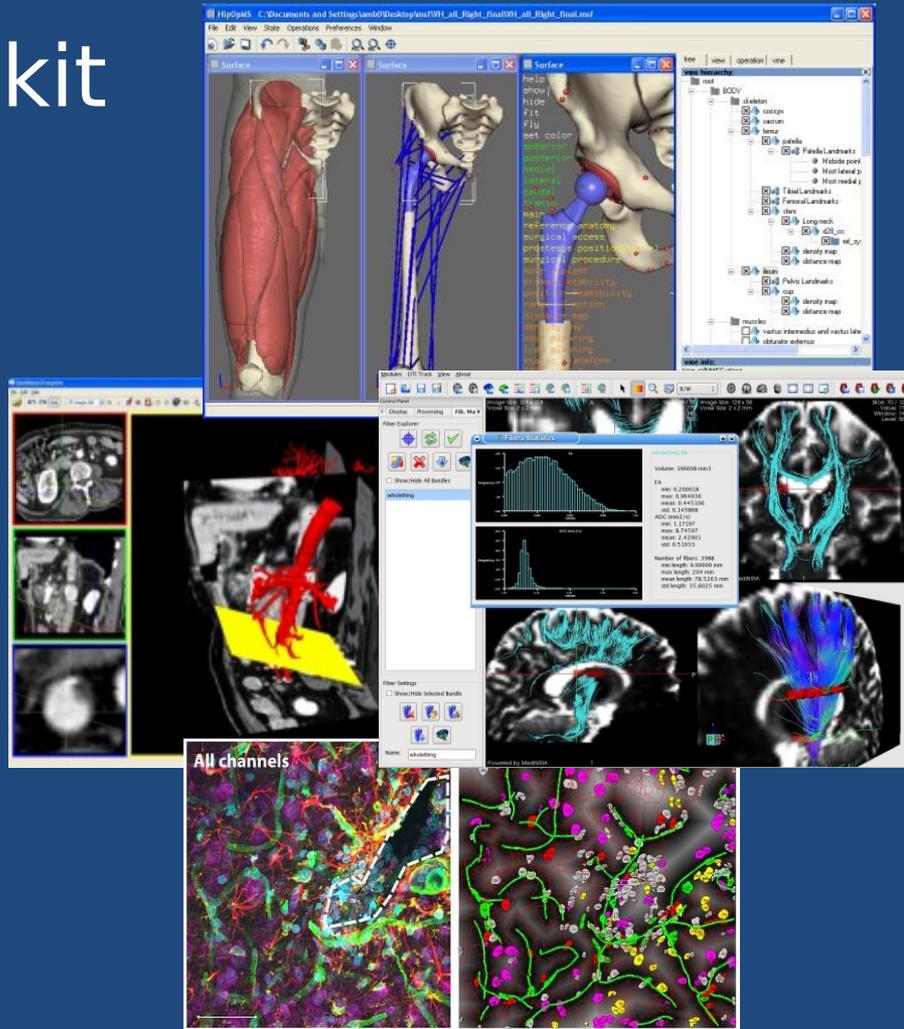




# The Insight Toolkit

2014: ITK is the dominant toolkit for medical image segmentation and registration

- 1.5M lines of code
- Estimated at 452 years of effort



# Thank you...

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