



**HOW TO GO FROM SAVING THE
WORLD FROM GLOBAL WARMING
TO PREDICTING THE FUTURE OF
OUR SUN IN 5 BILLION YEARS!**

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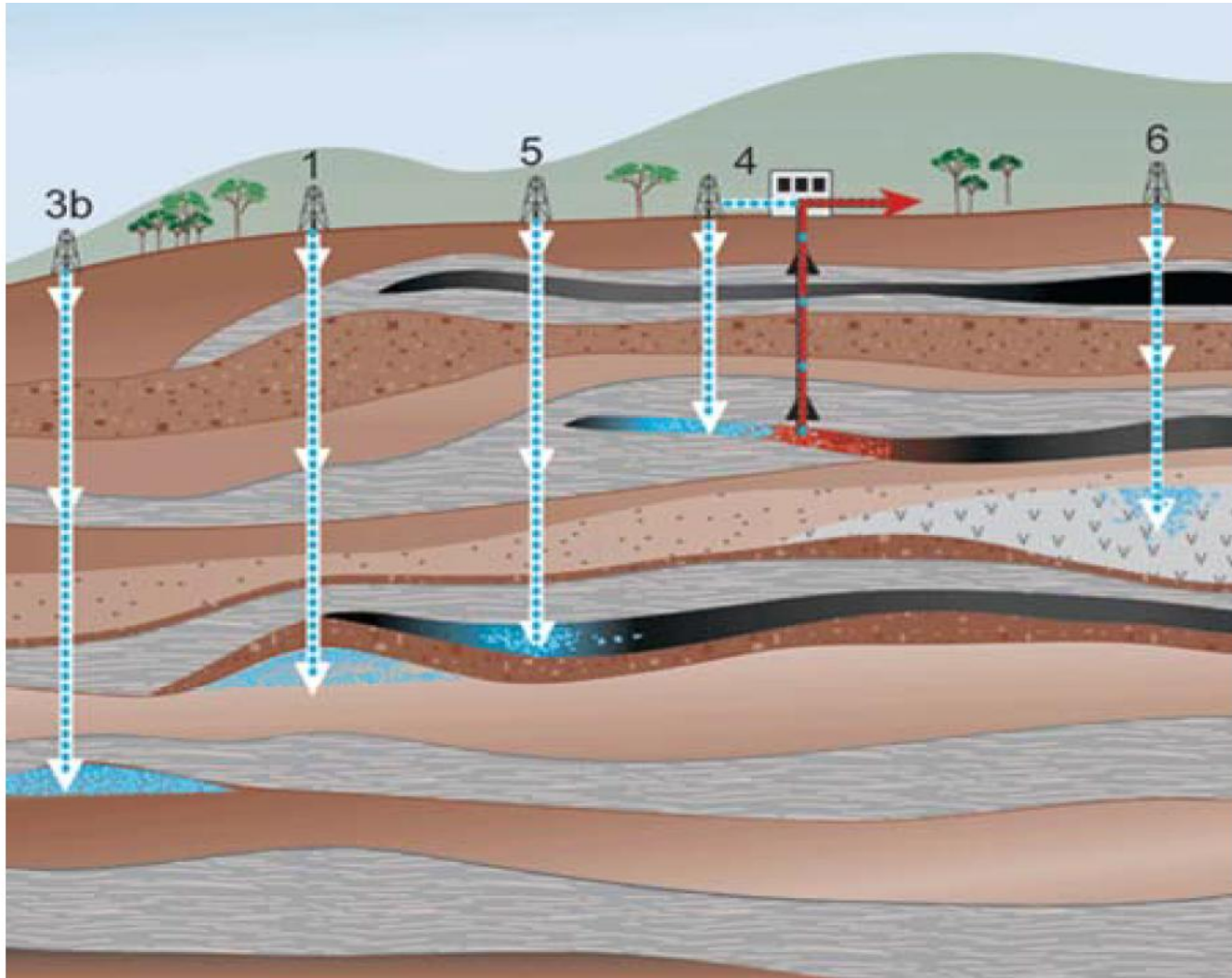


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50% power / 50% cars & individuals

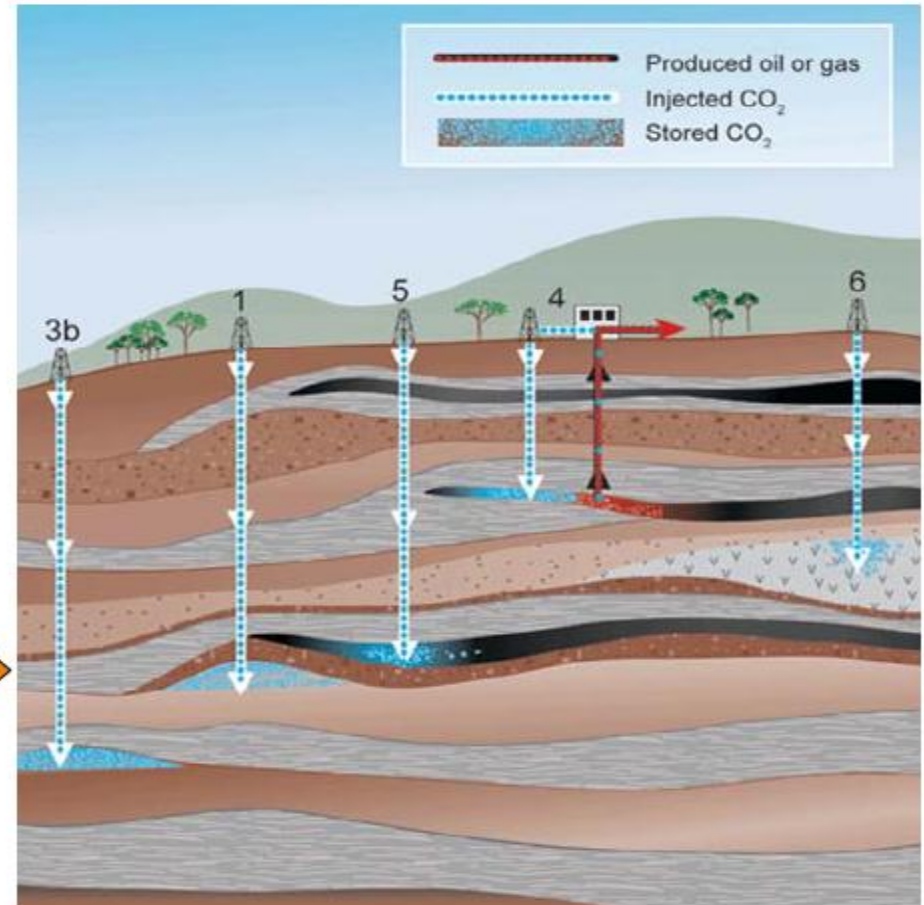
Where could we store the CO₂ once we've captured it?

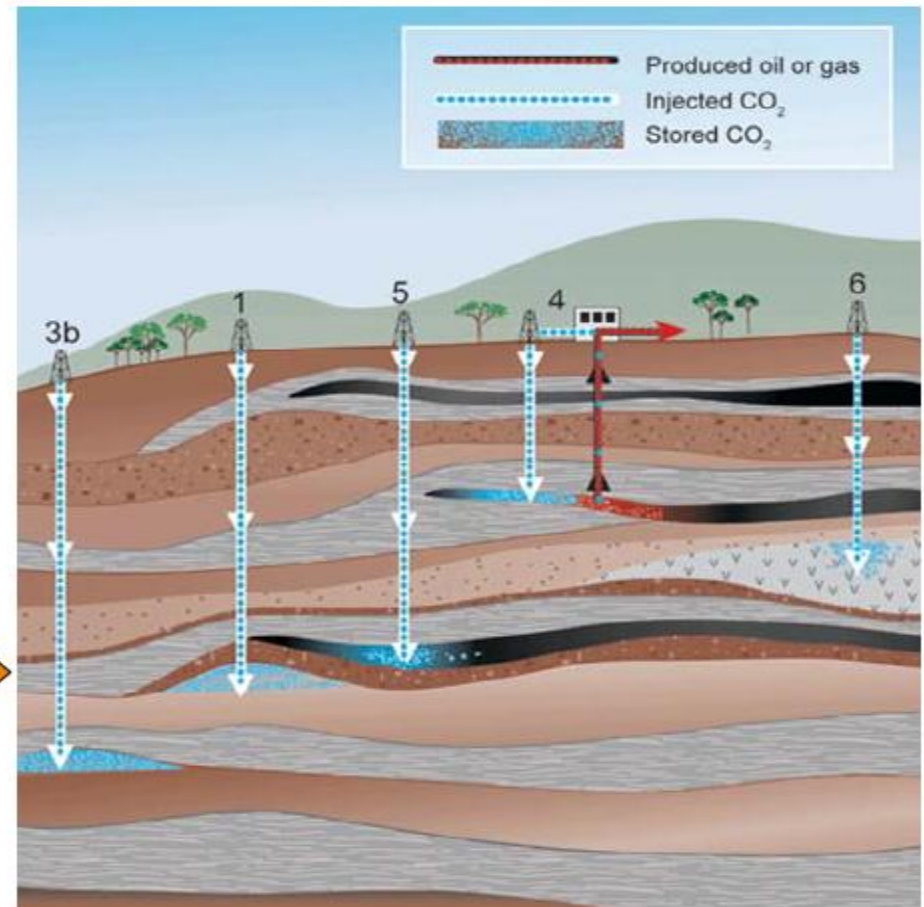


**Exhausted
oil reserves**



**But, how do
we get it there?**







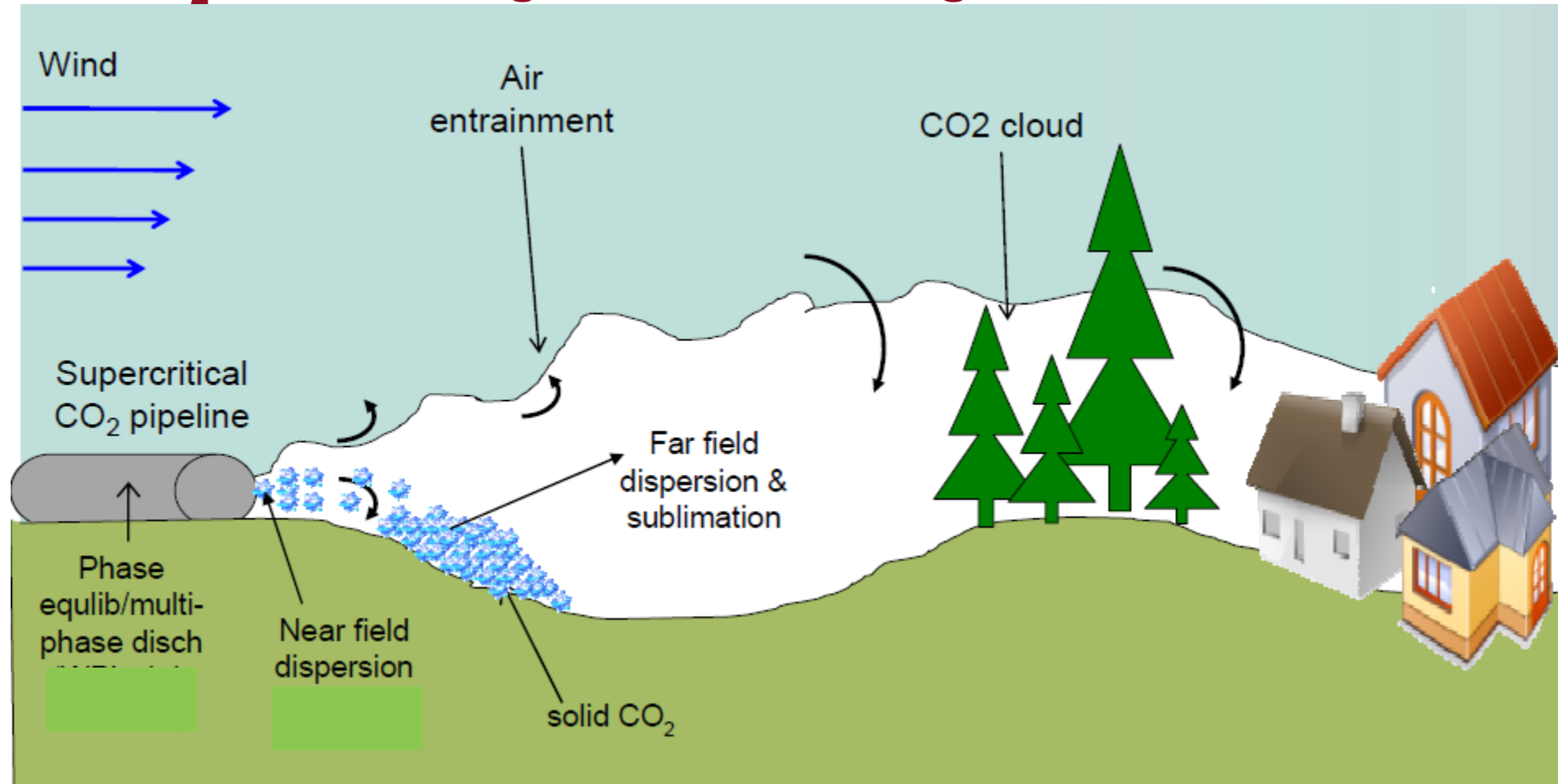
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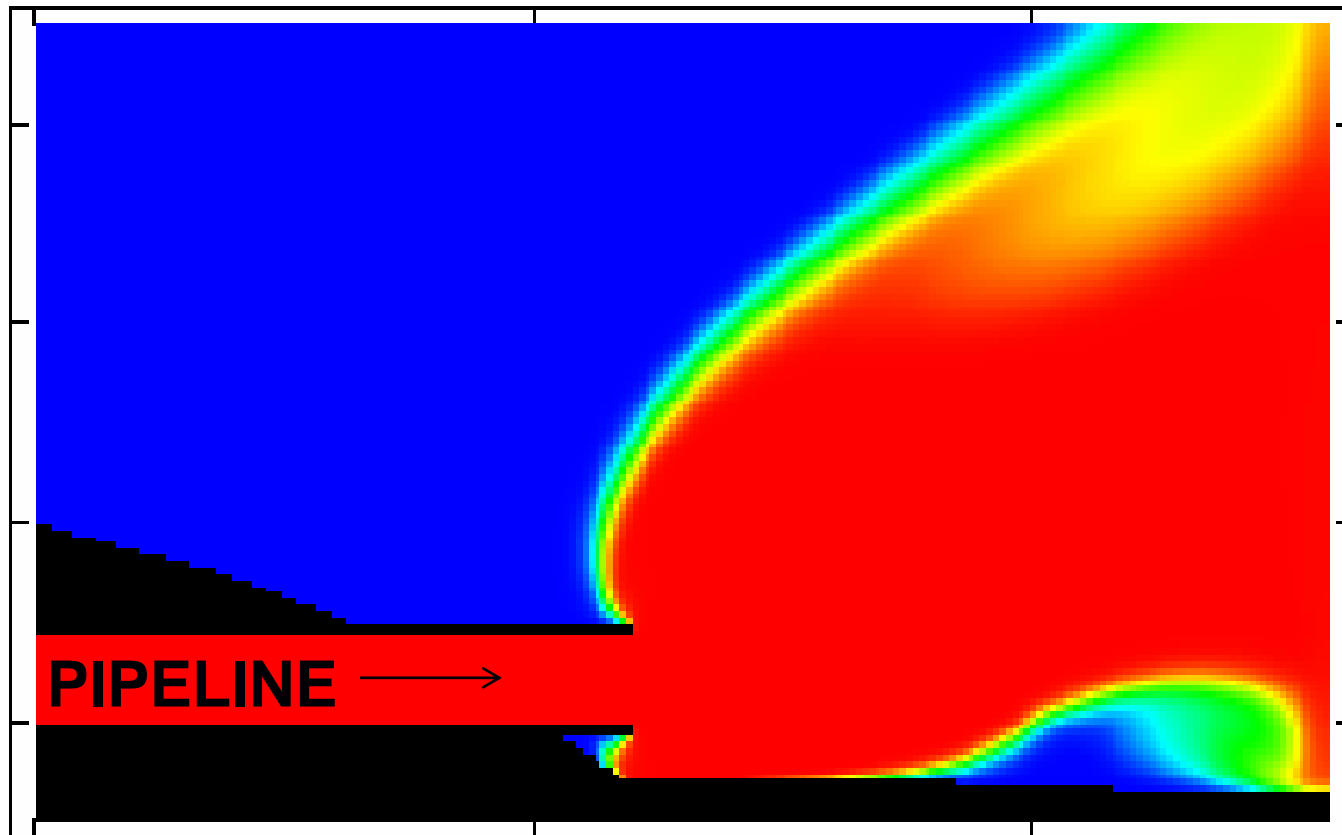


Carlsbad Natural Gas pipeline explosion, New Mexico, 19 Aug 2000

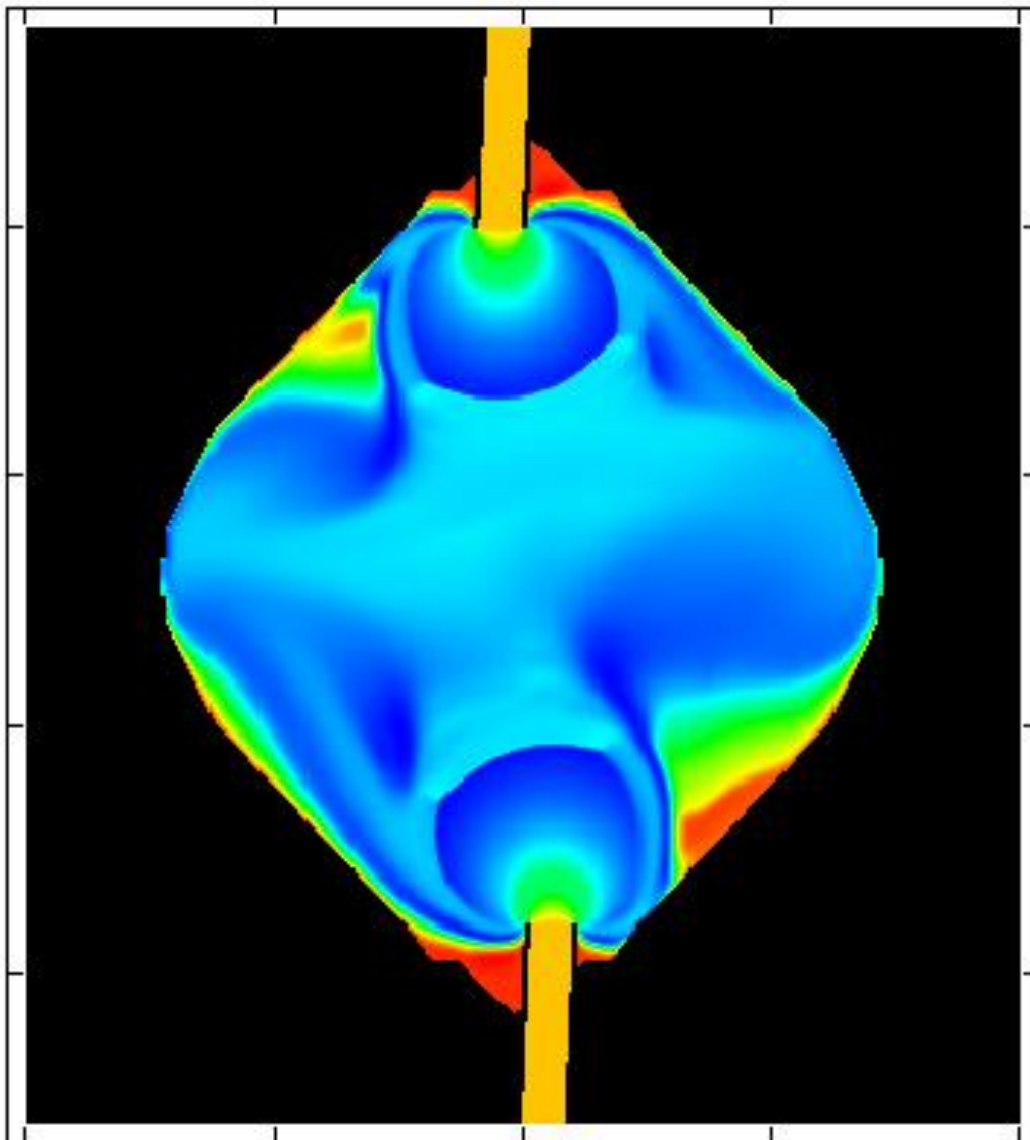
A CO₂ leak won't ignite like natural gas



Obviously you can't do many experiments with this, so we simulate models

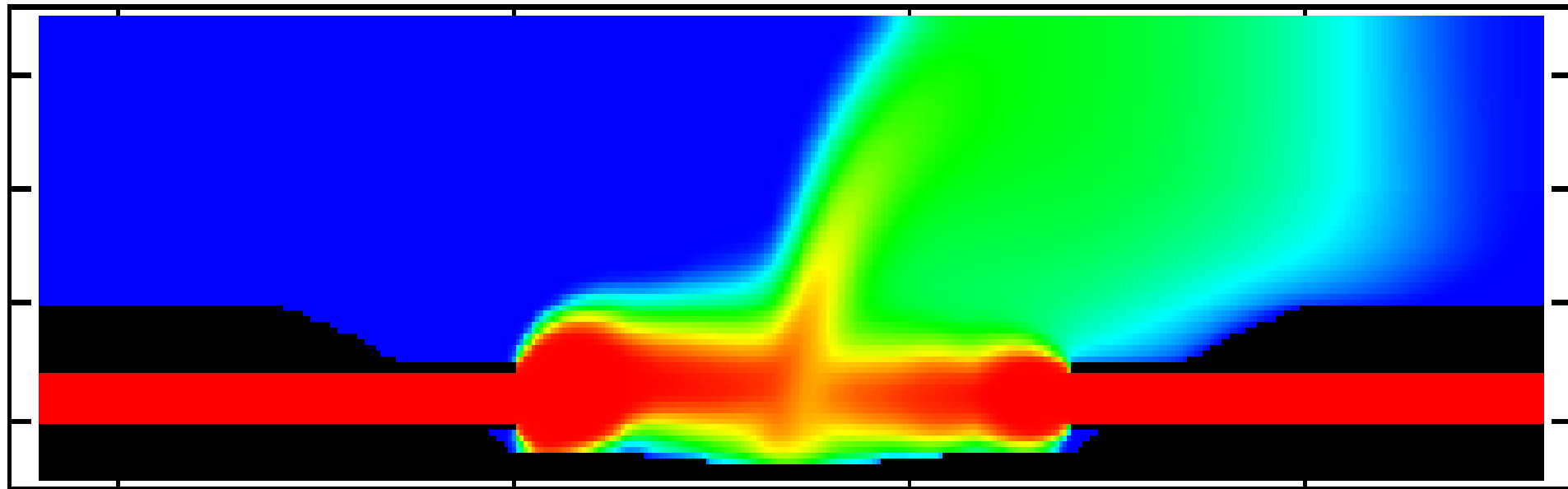


Here's an example of a ruptured pipeline in a crater...



**Crater view
from the top down**

**Misaligned pipelines,
following a catastrophic
rupture**



Side view of a crater and flow of CO₂ out of the crater



How do we ‘simulate’ flows like this?

Use the equations of fluid flow...

Conservation equations...

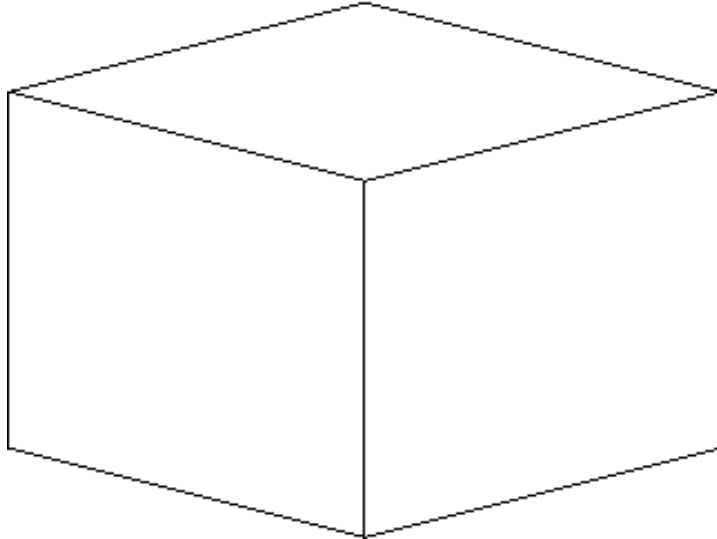
$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad \text{equation of continuity,}$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho C}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho C \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad \text{scalar transport,}$$

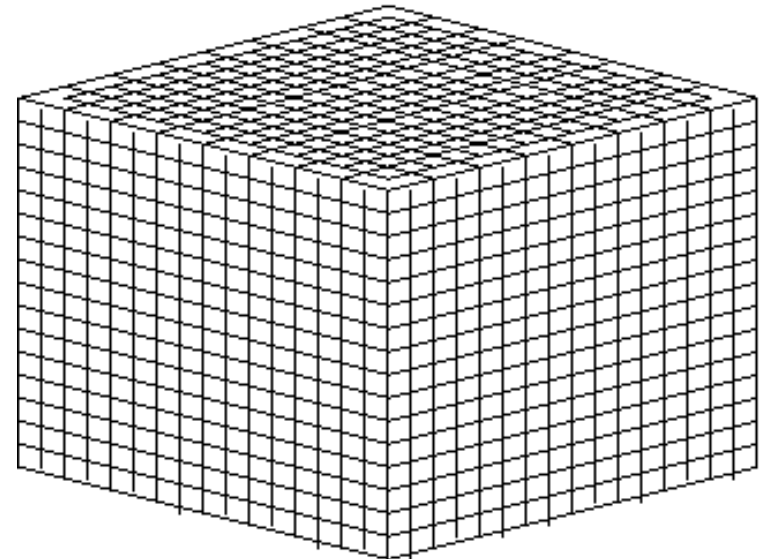
$$\frac{\partial \rho \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \rho (\mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{u} + \nabla p = 0 \quad \text{momentum,}$$

$$\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\mathbf{u}(e + p)] = 0 \quad \text{energy,}$$

Take a domain e.g. a simple box...



**...and divide it up
into a number of
cells**



**Take the conditions (pressure, density, velocity)
in each cell and then solve these equations between the cells**

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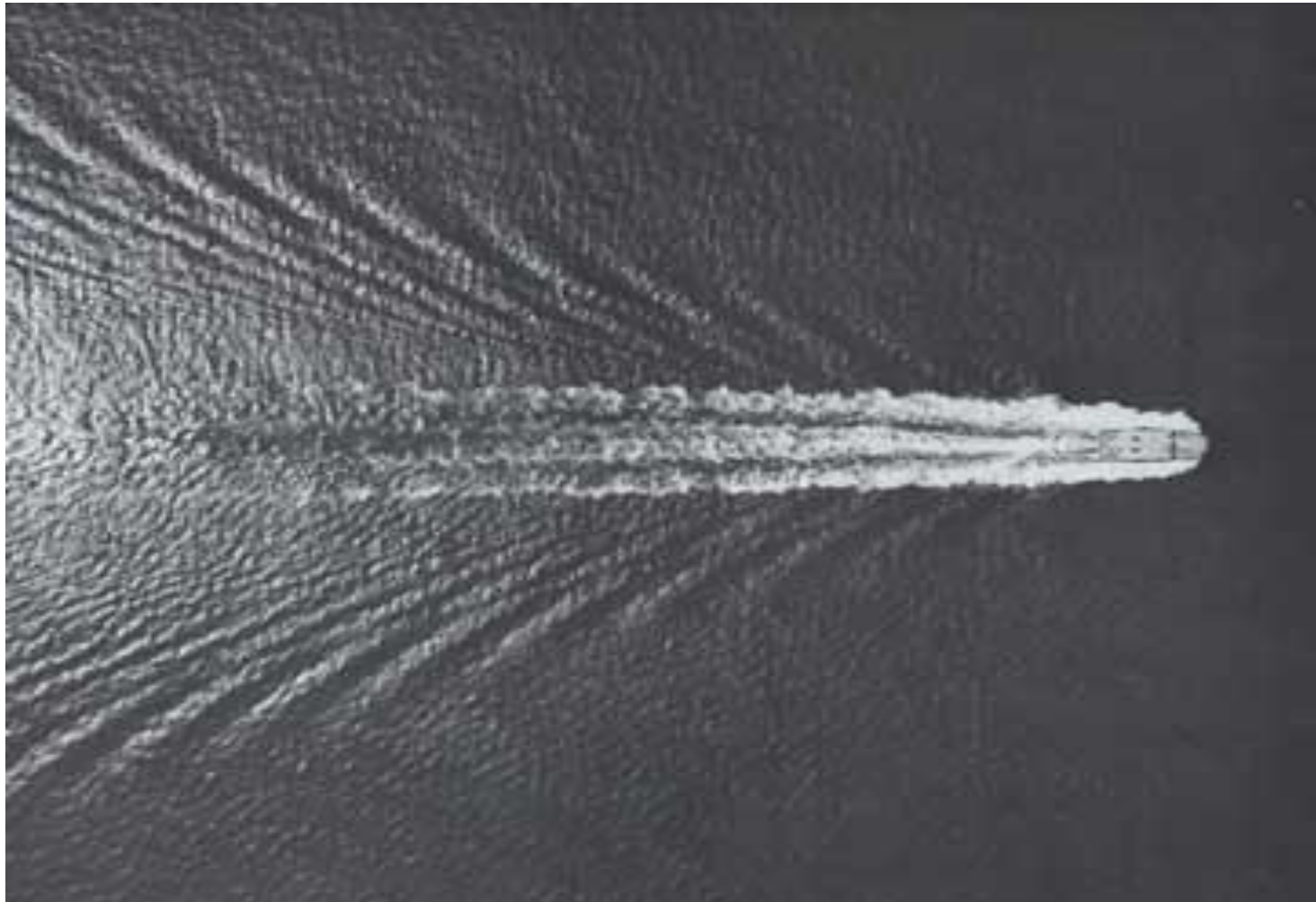
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\$1,000,000

Wider applications of fluid flow equations:-

- **Waves follow a boat as it meanders across the lake**
- **Turbulent air currents follow our flight in a modern jet**
- **Mathematicians and physicists believe that an explanation for and the prediction of both the breeze and the turbulence can be found through an understanding of solutions to the Navier-Stokes equations**
- **Although these equations were written down in the 19th Century, our understanding of them remains minimal**
- **The challenge is to make substantial progress toward a mathematical theory which will unlock the secrets hidden in the Navier-Stokes equations**



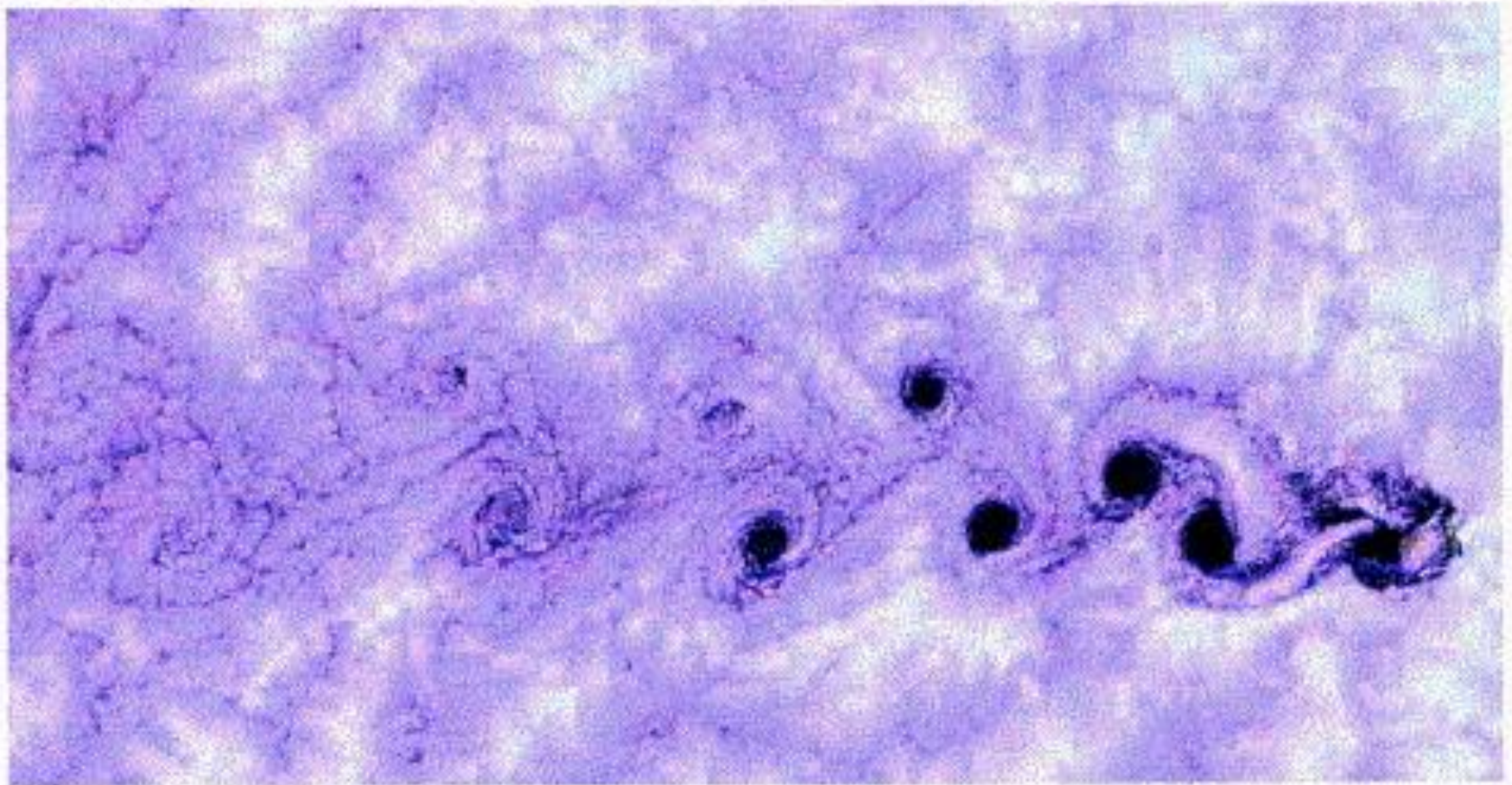
Wave pattern behind a ship, photographed from above

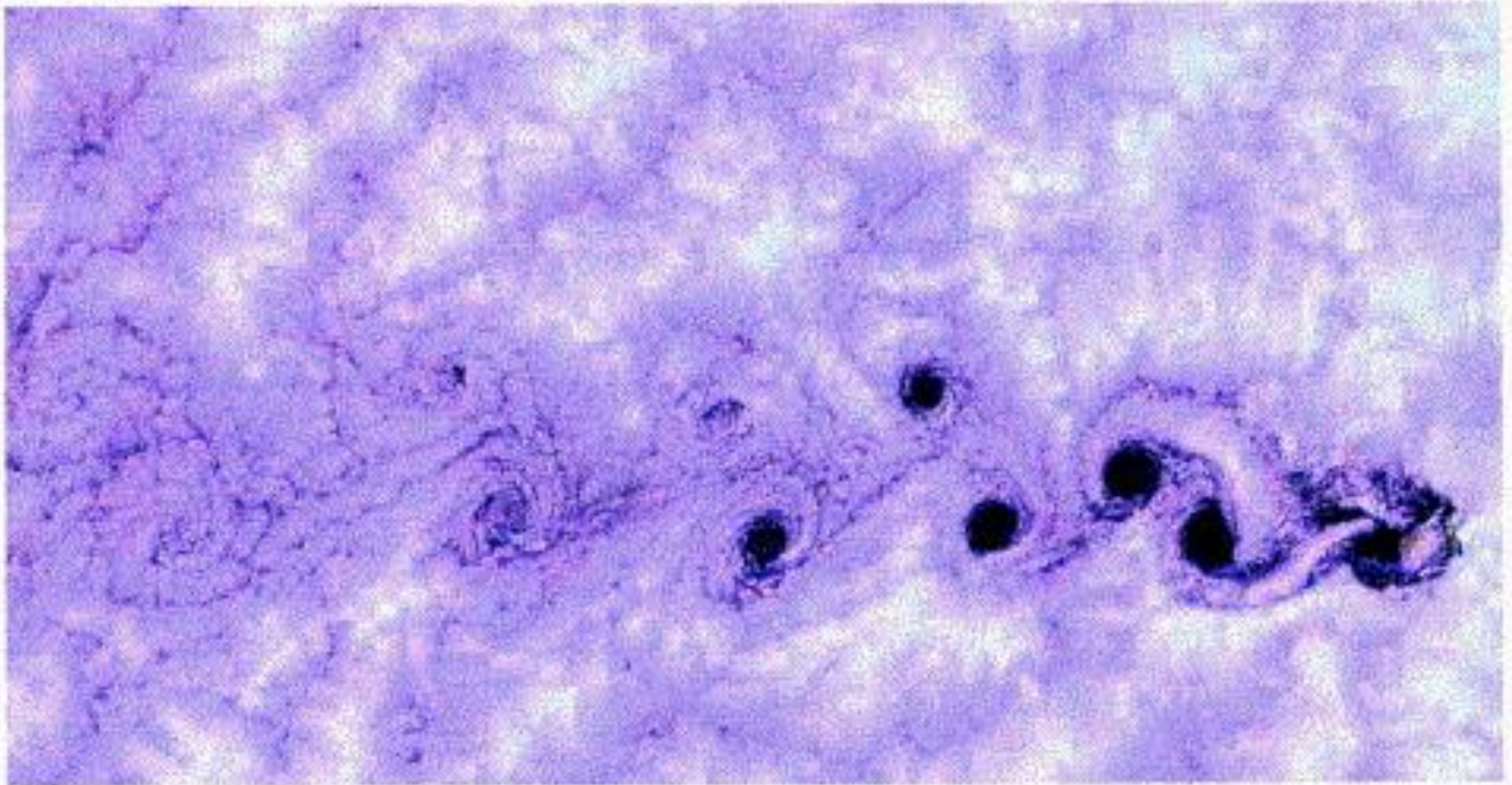
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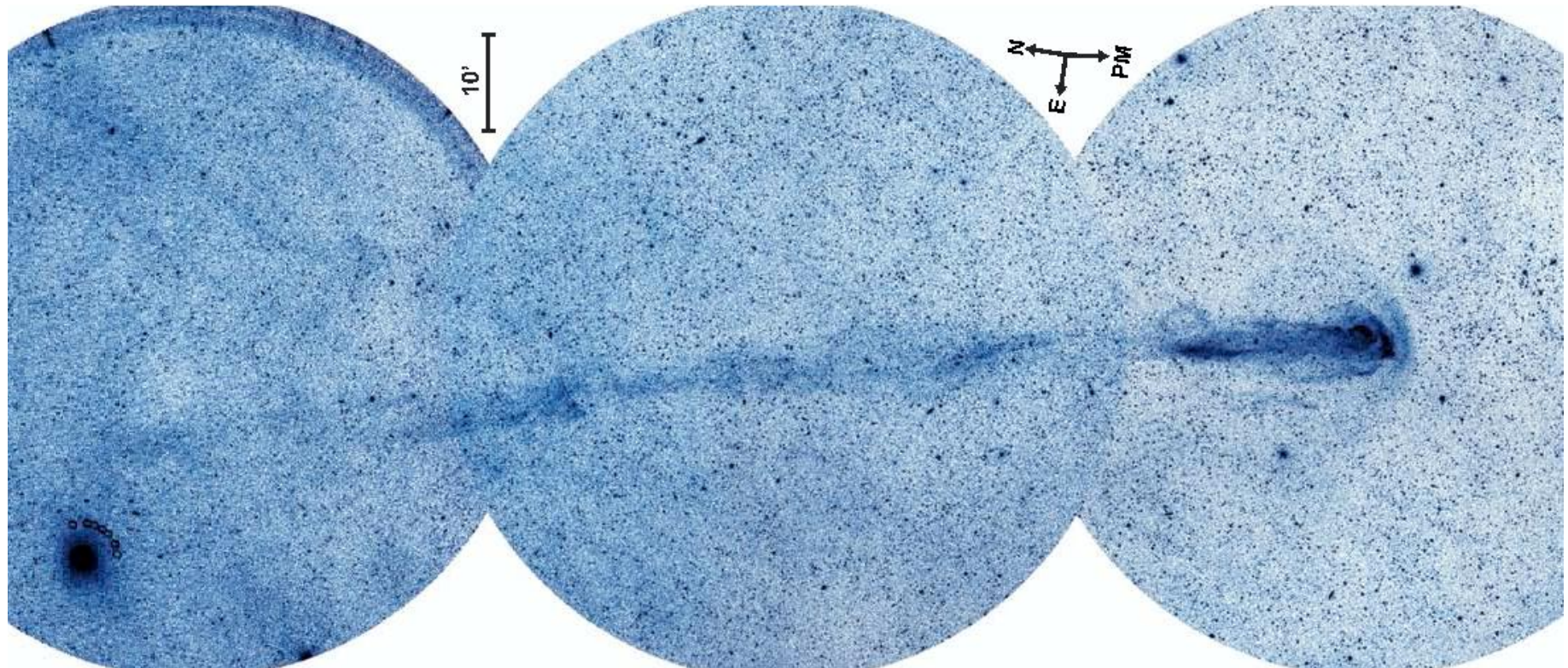
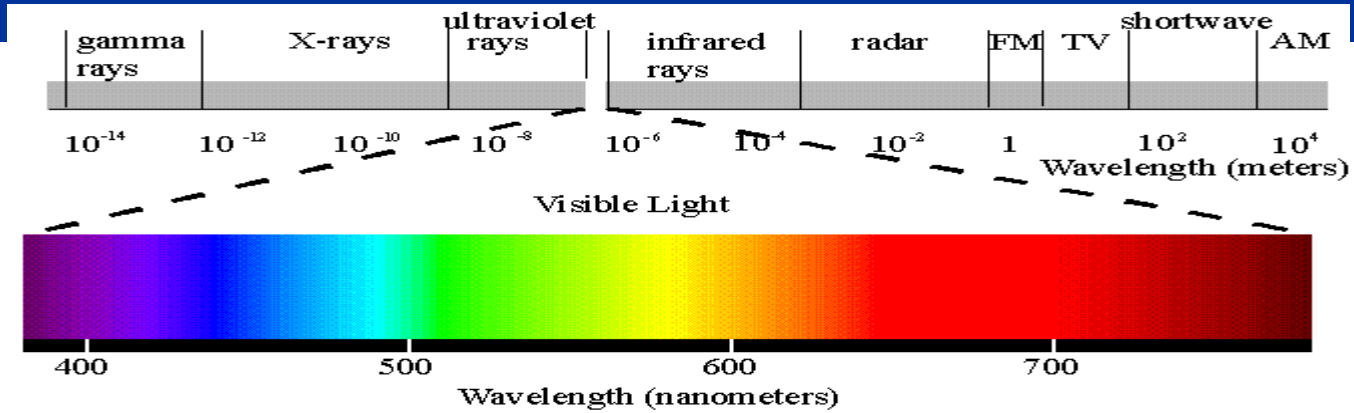


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Atmospheric flow past an island in the South Pacific





Nasa artistic video impression...

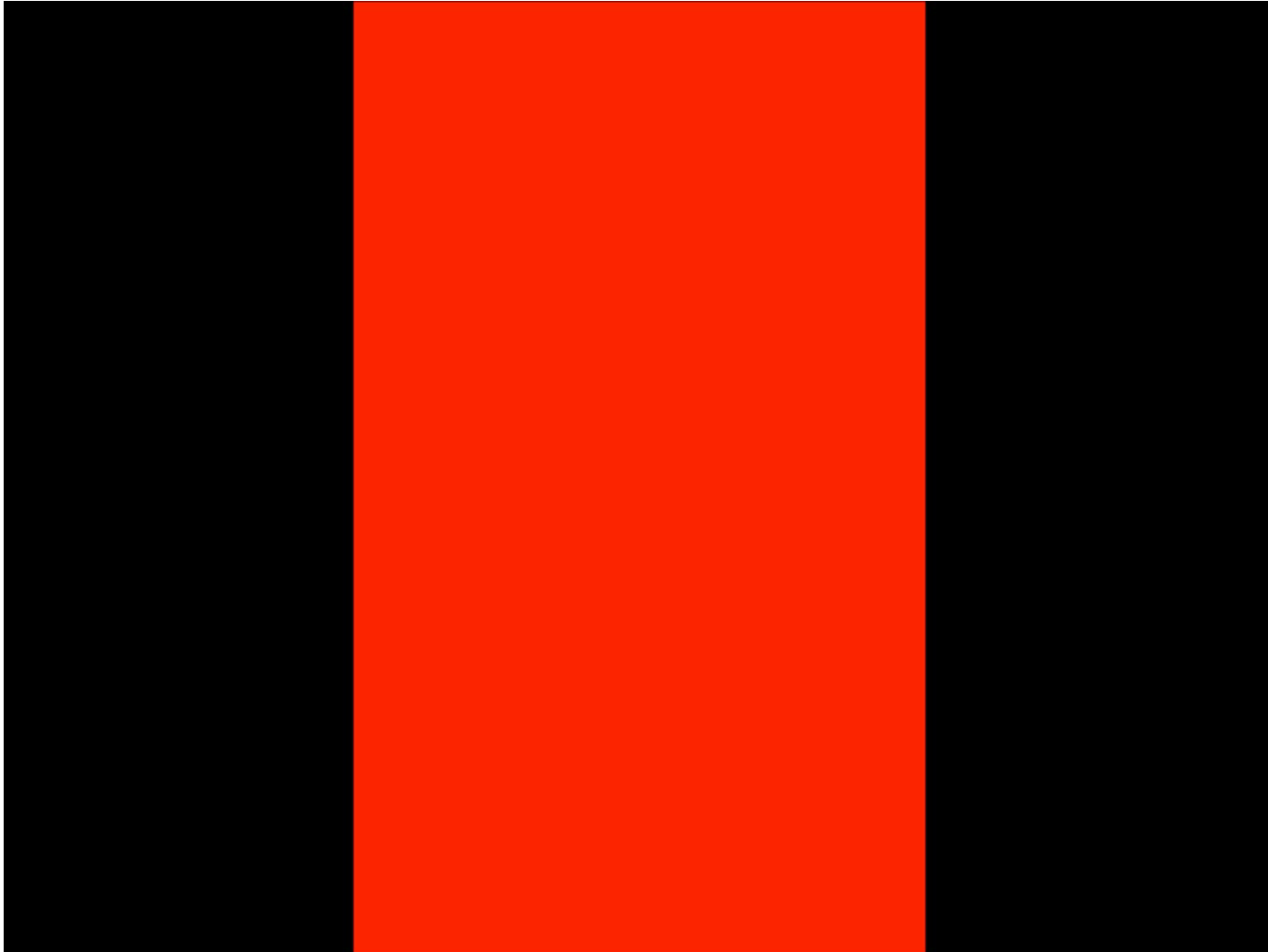


Ultra-violet



Visible light

Lets make the density very low... And the size scale very big...





Of course to calculate flows like these, you need to perform many, many calculations in many, many cells over very large grids!

You could do it by hand (for a very long time!).

Or...

Use a computer, but not a normal computer...



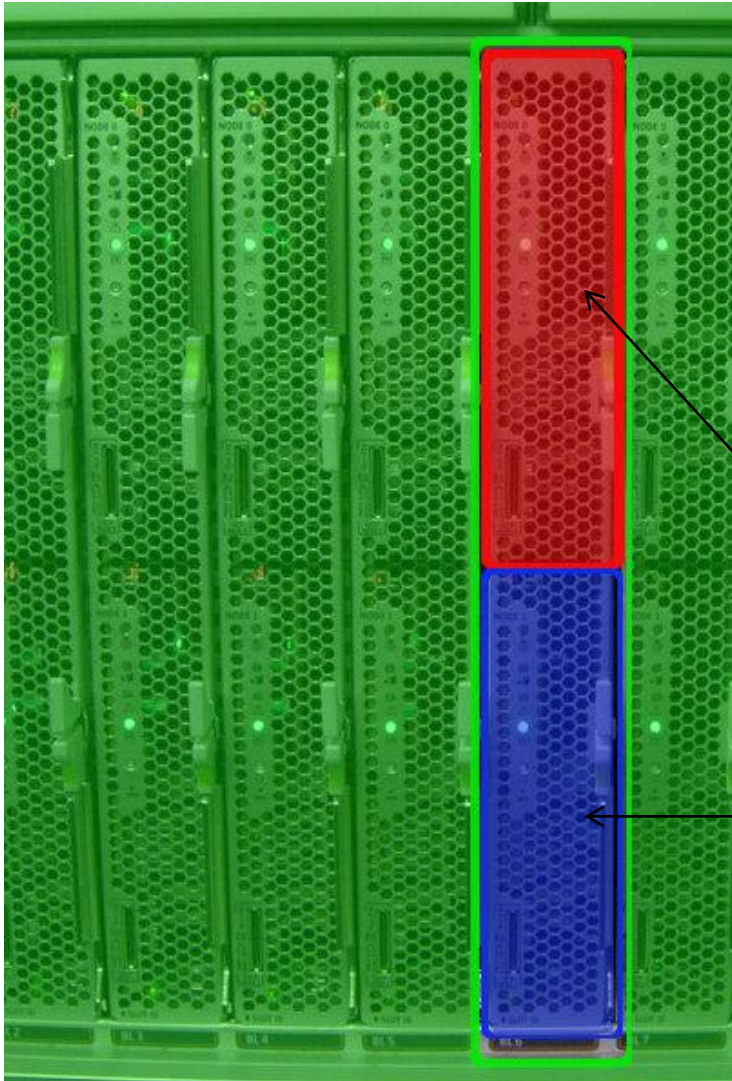
2 Desktop PCs



1 Blade

No monitor, no keyboard or mouse, saves space!

Build up these blades...



One blade contains the equivalent of two desktop PCs, each multi-core with 12 cores.

A total of 24 processing cores

...into shelves and bookcases...



1 shelf = 12 blades = 288 cores

1 chassis = 4 shelves = 48 blades = 1152 cores

...to build a supercomputer!



If each of the three grey chassis on show here were full = 3456 cores

How powerful is this machine?

Each core has a speed of 2.66GHz – that means it can perform 2,660,000,000 floating point operations per second (FLOPS).

So, this computer is capable of $3456 \times 2,660,000,000 = 9.1$ TeraFLOPS

The fastest computer in the world is 2000 times faster – it's built by IBM, has 1.5 million cores and can reach 20,132.7 TeraFLOPS

Compared to the world's first computer – the small-scale experimental machine, known as SSEM or 'the Baby', built at the University of Manchester. This machine was built by Alan Turing amongst others.

Ran it's first program on June 21st 1948 and had all the components classically regarded as characteristic of the basic computer. Baby took around 1.2milliseconds per instruction, or 833 instructions per second

Computing is now 24,000,000 times quicker!

One of my simulations takes 6 hours on 60 cores of the supercomputer.

It would take 360 hours, or 15 days on one computer!

Of course if you decided to do all this yourself with a calculator, lets say you could do 5 calculations a second. That's 2.66GHz/5 times slower than the computer.

So, it'd take you $15 \times 2,660,000,000 / 5$, or 21.9 million years...

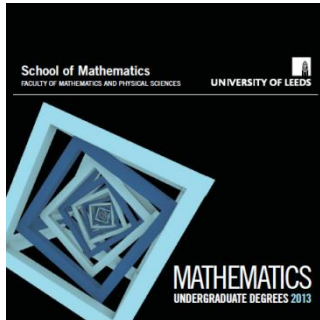
Computers are handy then, but for these kind of simulations, the computer only ever does what you tell it – it's up the mathematician to decide whether the results are any good!

And you need to know what you're doing!

**What do you do if you want to have a crack at the
Clay Institute Millennium Prize?**

**Or maybe you want to use computers not just for
word processing and writing presentations like this, but
instead to develop new ways to change the world, like
mitigating climate change?**

Continue your studies with Mathematics as a degree...
(or Engineering, or Physics, or even Astrophysics as I did!)



Degrees at the University of Leeds

Single Honours Mathematics degrees	Joint Honours parented by Mathematics	Joint Honours parented by others
MMath/BSc Mathematics BSc Actuarial Maths	BSc Biology & Maths BSc Economics & Maths	BSc French/German & Maths BSc Maths & Philosophy
BSc Maths with Finance BSc Mathematical Studies	BSc Geography & Maths BSc Management & Maths	BSc Chemistry & Maths BSc Physics & Maths
BSc Maths and Statistics	BSc Maths & Music	MNatSci Natural Sciences



MMath/BSc Mathematics

Our most popular degree

Available as a

3 year
BSc
Bachelors
degree

or a

4 year
MMath, BSc
Integrated Masters
degree

Up to **one sixth** of your study (20 credits each year) can be **Elective Modules** from across the University



The **Core** takes up Year 1 and about half of Year 2

Then you **Specialise**, with many options available across all of mathematics

Typical Conditional Offer

For Single Honours degrees

Mathematics / Maths with Finance / Actuarial Maths / Mathematical Studies / Maths & Stats

- **A*AB or AAA**, *or*
- **A*BB or A*AC or AAB** with **Further Mathematics**, *or*
- **A*BB or A*AC or AAB** PLUS **A** in AS-level **Further Maths**

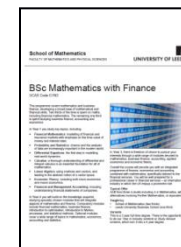
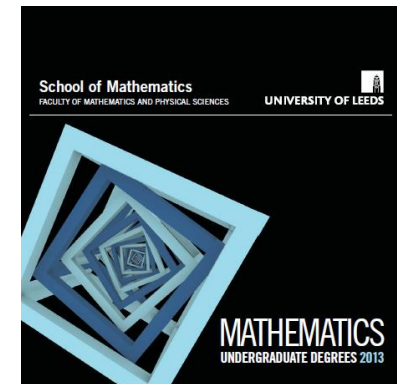
The first grade quoted is in **Mathematics**

- ❑ We welcome applications from people with **other qualifications** - please ask about our requirements
- ❑ We normally allow **General Studies** or **Critical Thinking** as one of the three A-levels
- ❑ You must meet the **matriculation requirements** of a pass in five subjects at GCSE level or above, including English at grade C or above, or equivalent.
- ❑ For **Joint Honours degrees** see our website, leaflets or brochure



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- ❑ www.maths.leeds.ac.uk
Information, videos, profiles, careers
- ❑ **Mathematics Undergraduate Brochure**
Covers all degrees we parent
- ❑ **Leaflets**
One for each degree we parent
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Any questions!





Thanks for listening!

Any questions?

Flexible Degrees

❑ Elective modules

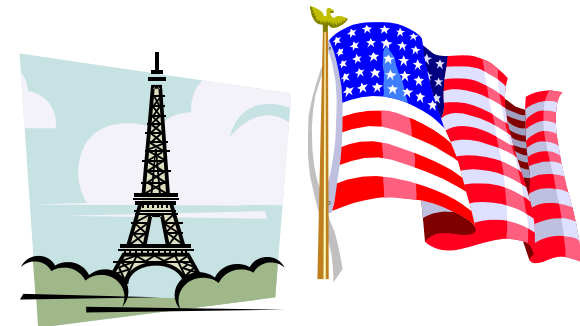
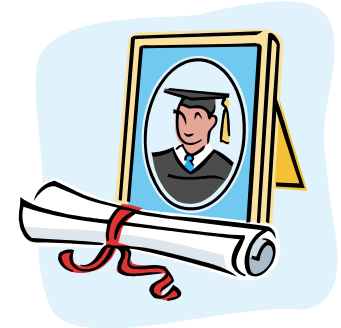
On some degrees you can take modules from across the University. Popular choices are in modern languages, management, music, philosophy and psychology

❑ Study Abroad scheme

*Spend Year 3 abroad and Year 4 back in Leeds
Many partner institutions in Europe and North America
Available with all degrees we parent*

❑ Year in Industry scheme

*Spend Year 3 working and Year 4 back at university
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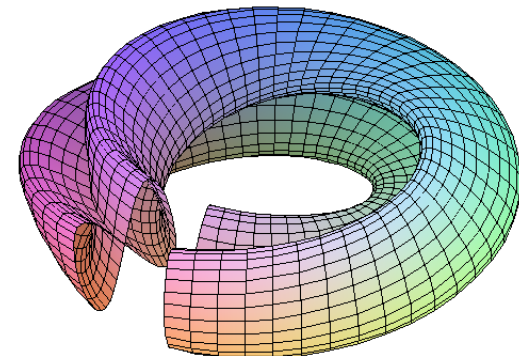
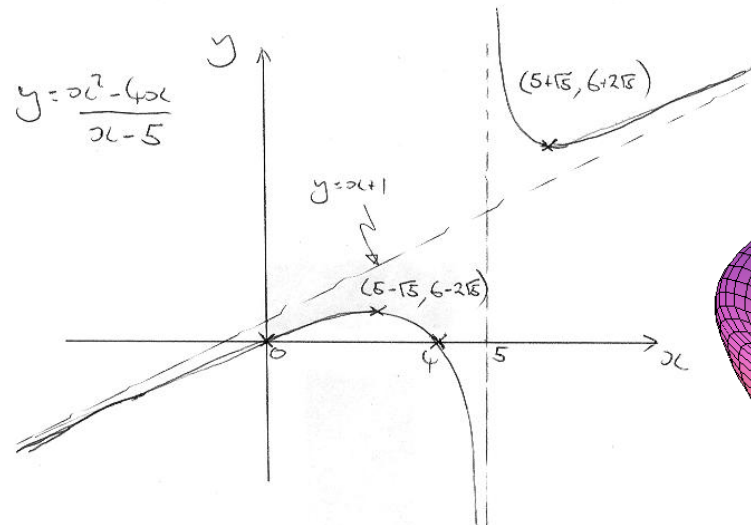
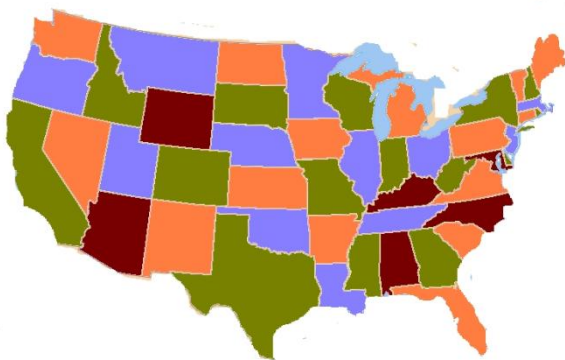


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- Because of the **enjoyment** and **challenge** of solving mathematical problems and understanding mathematical ideas

$\sqrt{2}$ is
irrational

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$$



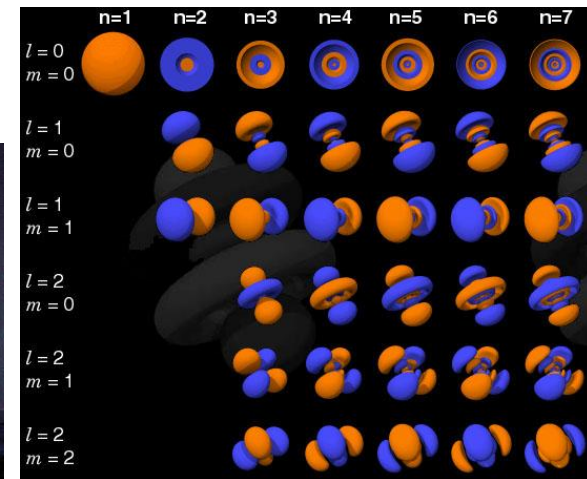
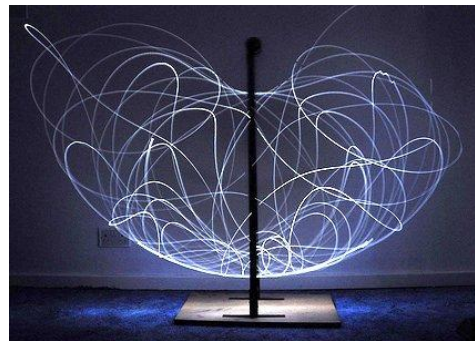
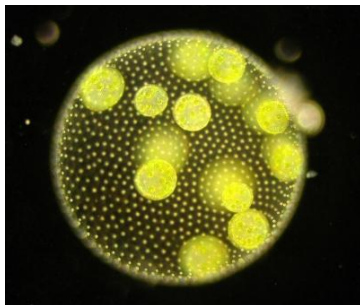
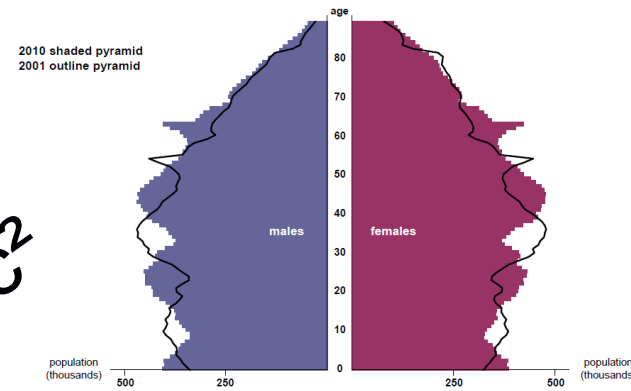
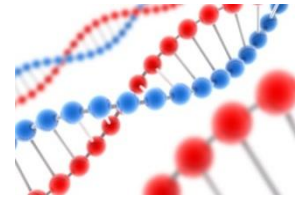
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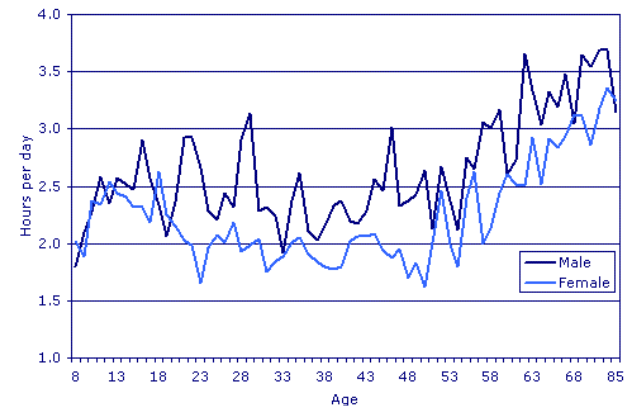
$$E=mc^2$$

Google



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- ❑ Because it is **universal**
- ❑ Because of the **career** opportunities. Employers **respect** mathematics graduates



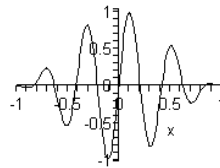


MMath/BSc Mathematics

The core takes up Year 1 and about half of Year 2

Tools and Techniques

Follows on naturally from core A-level Mathematics



Linear Algebra
Vector Calculus
Differential Equations & Fourier Theory
Computational Maths (optional)

Applications

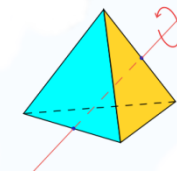
Starting from scratch to allow for different A-level syllabuses



Probability
Statistics
Mechanics
Financial Maths (optional)

Rigorous Foundations

Goes deeper into the underlying mathematical structures



Number systems
Mathematical Analysis
Algebraic Structures
Group Theory
Geometry (optional)



MMath/BSc Mathematics

Huge range of options after the core (page 1 of 3)

General & Education

History of Mathematics
School Maths from an advanced
(undergraduate) perspective
Mathematics into Schools
Mathematics Education
Maths at Work
Information Skills
Project modules

Foundations

Philosophy of Logic & Maths
Mathematical Logic 1 & 2
Models and Sets
Advanced Logic

Discrete Mathematics

Intro to Discrete Maths
Combinatorics
Graph Theory
Coding Theory

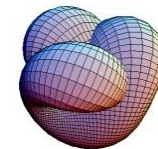


Geometry & Topology

Geometry of Curves & Surfaces
Transformation Geometry
Differential Geometry
Topology
Homotopy & Surfaces

Algebra & Number Theory

Algebraic Structures 2
Number Theory
Groups and Symmetry
Algebra and Numbers
Algebras and Representations
Fields and Galois Theory



Mathematical Analysis

Hilbert Spaces & Fourier Analysis
Linear Analysis 1



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Huge range of options after the core (page 2 of 3)

Methods of Applied Mathematics

Nonlinear Differential Equations
Calculus of Variations
Mathematical Methods
Dynamical Systems
Analytic Solutions of Partial Diff. Eqns.

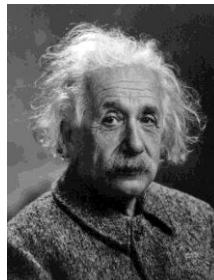


Numerical Methods

Numerical Analysis
Numerical Methods
Modern Numerical Methods

Mathematical Physics

Special Relativity
Hamiltonian Systems
Quantum Mechanics
Cosmology
Discrete Systems & Integrability



Fluids & Flow

Fluid Dynamics
Polymeric Fluids
Hydrodynamic Stability
Linear & Non-Linear Waves
Geophysical & Astrophysical Fluid Dynamics

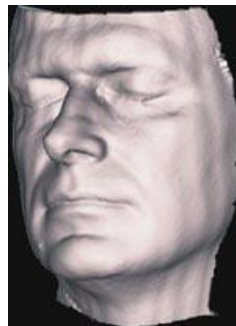
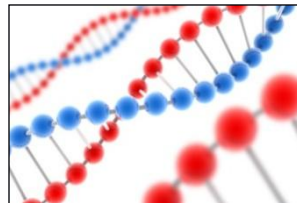


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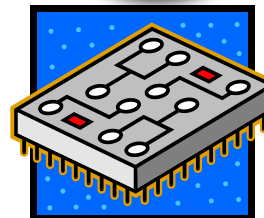
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Statistics

Statistical Methods
Statistical Modelling
Environmental Statistics
Markov Processes
Survival Analysis
Linear Regression & Robustness
Statistical Theory
Multivariate Analysis
Time Series
Generalised Linear Models
Statistical Shape Analysis
Hidden Markov Models



Other Applications of Mathematics



Maths of Music
Financial Maths 1, 2 & 3
Actuarial Maths 1 & 2
Mathematical Biology
Statistics and DNA

Computing

Combinatorial Optimisation
Parallel Scientific Computing
Complexity & Approximation
Statistical Computing

BSc Mathematics with Finance

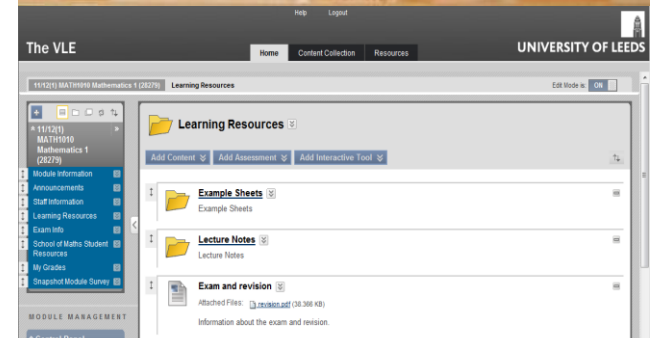
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Business School

Year 1	Financial Maths Probability Statistics	Calculus & Analysis Linear Algebra Numbers & Vectors Differential Equations	Economic Theory Financial Accounting Management Accounting
Year 2	Financial Maths 2&3 Optimisation <i>+ options from Maths & Statistics</i>	Markov Processes Statistical Methods	Business Finance <i>+ options from Accounting & Economics</i>
Year 3	Stochastic Financial Modelling Time Series <i>+ options from Maths & Statistics</i>		<i>Options from Economics & Finance</i>

How You Study

- ❑ **Lectures:** more formal than at school
- ❑ **Coursework** for each lecture course, supported by **Tutorials, Workshops & Peer Assisted Learning**
- ❑ **Practicals** in computer clusters
- ❑ **Projects:** individually and in groups



A Typical Week

MMath/BSc Maths - Year 1

- 12 hours of **Lectures**
- 5 hours of **Tutorials / Workshops / Practicals**
- 1 hour of **Peer Assisted Learning**
- **Coursework** supported by the tutorials

Plus MathSoc, Sport, Union Societies, etc.

