



# IR Cloud Chamber Workshops

20/05/2016



# What is S'Cool LAB?





# Who is S'Cool LAB?



# What do we offer?

S'Cool LAB Days  
for high-school students (16 – 19 y)



WELCOME TO S'COOL LAB DAY  
8:45 Meet us at the [CERN Reception](#)



VISIT TO THE [SYNCHROCYCLOTRON](#)  
9:15 CERN's first particle accelerator



VISIT TO THE [ATLAS](#) VISITOR CENTER  
10:00 See real physicist working at the largest LHC detector



S'COOL LAB EXPERIMENT 1  
11:30 Get hands-on!



LUNCH BREAK IN THE [CERN RESTAURANT N°1](#)  
13:00 Time for a group picture in front of an LHC dipole magnet



S'COOL LAB EXPERIMENTS 2 & 3 + Q&A  
14:15 Get hands-on + time for your questions



GOODBYE  
17:00 Time for souvenirs or a visit to the [Microcosm](#) exhibition

Participants 2015: 430 students

Cloud Chamber Workshops  
for teacher and student groups



Participants 2015: 2400 students and >1000 teachers

# What do we offer?

## S'Cool LAB Workshop Schedule

Time slot	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
8:30-9:00					
<b>9:00-13:00</b>	Cloud Chamber slot - students	Cloud Chamber slot - students		Cloud Chamber slot - students	
13:00-14:00			S'Cool LAB day		S'Cool LAB day
<b>14:00-17:15</b>	Cloud Chamber slot - teachers	Cloud Chamber slot - teacher		Cloud Chamber slot - students	
<b>17:15-20:00</b>			S'Cool LAB training		S'Cool LAB training
<b>Explanation:</b>					
Cloud chambers slots - students	Cloud Chamber Slot managed by S'Cool LAB team (Student groups)				
Cloud chamber slots - teachers	Cloud Chamber Slot managed by CERN Teacher Programme Coordinator				
S'Cool LAB Days	Slot managed by S'Cool LAB team (Part of full-day programme)				
For all requests:	Please contact <a href="mailto:scool.lab@cern.ch">scool.lab@cern.ch</a>				

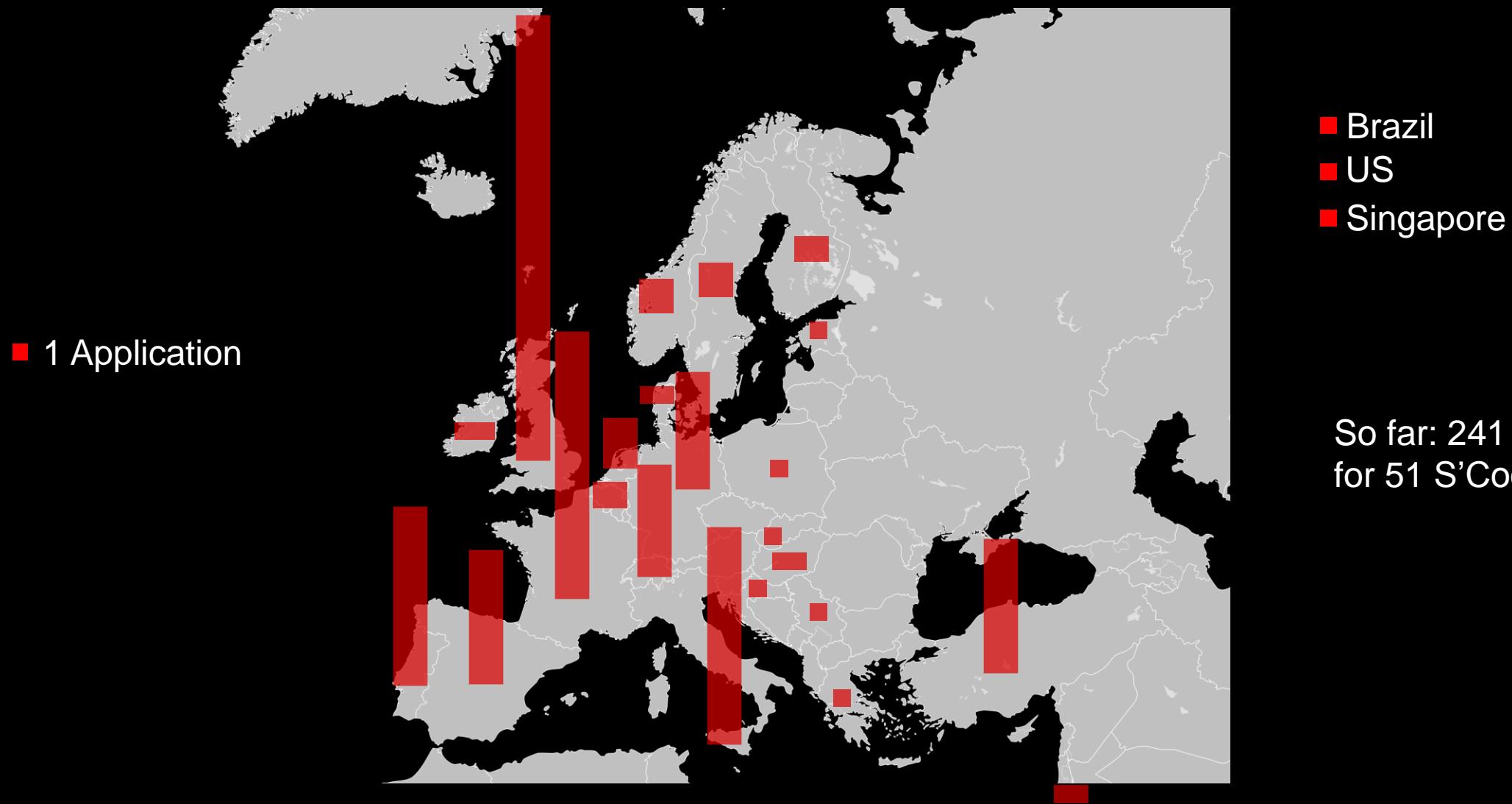
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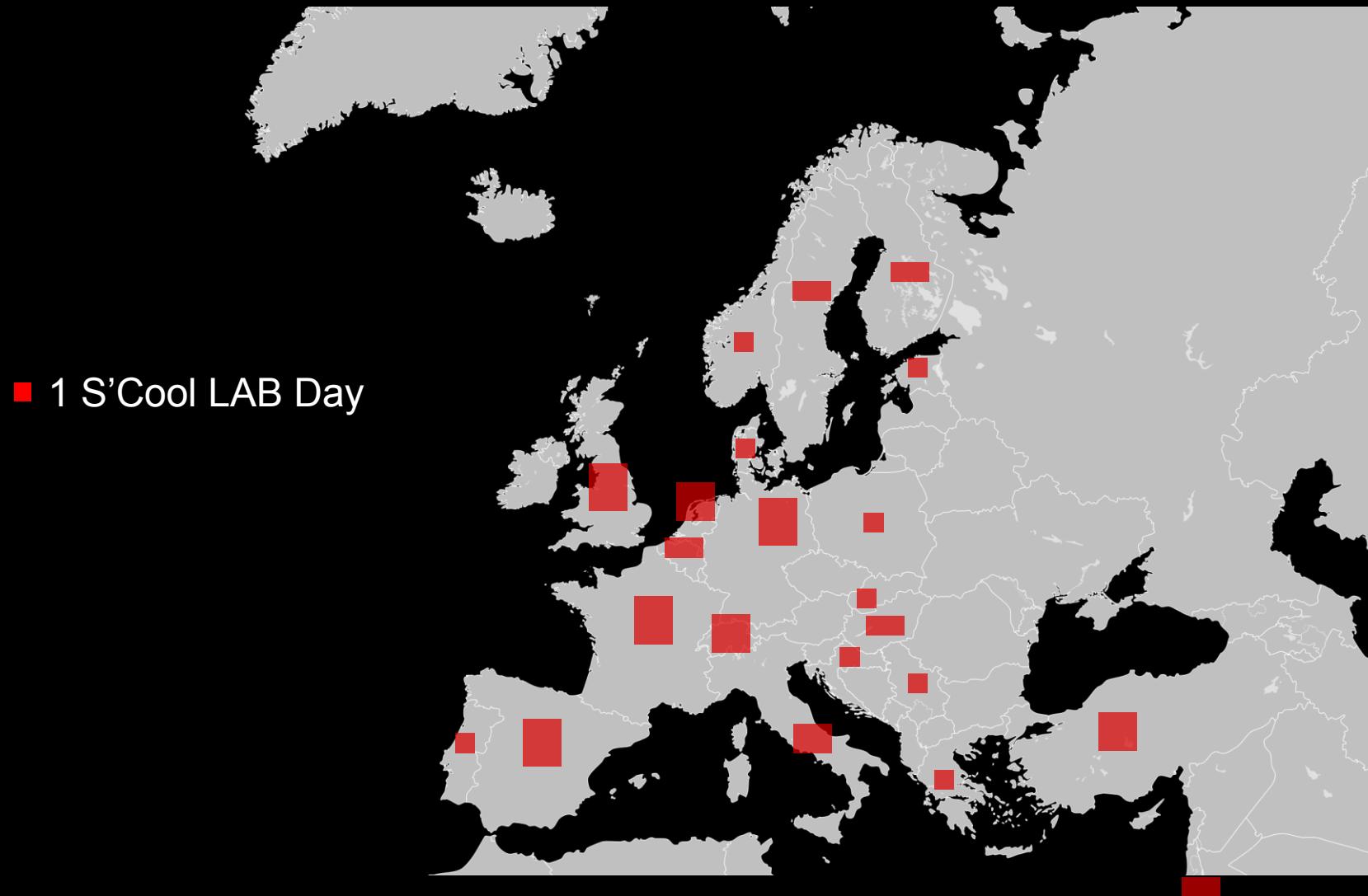
Applications by teachers via  
<http://cern.ch/s-cool-lab>

# Applications for S'Cool LAB days 2015/16



So far: 241 applications  
for 51 S'Cool LAB days

# S'Cool LAB days 2015/16



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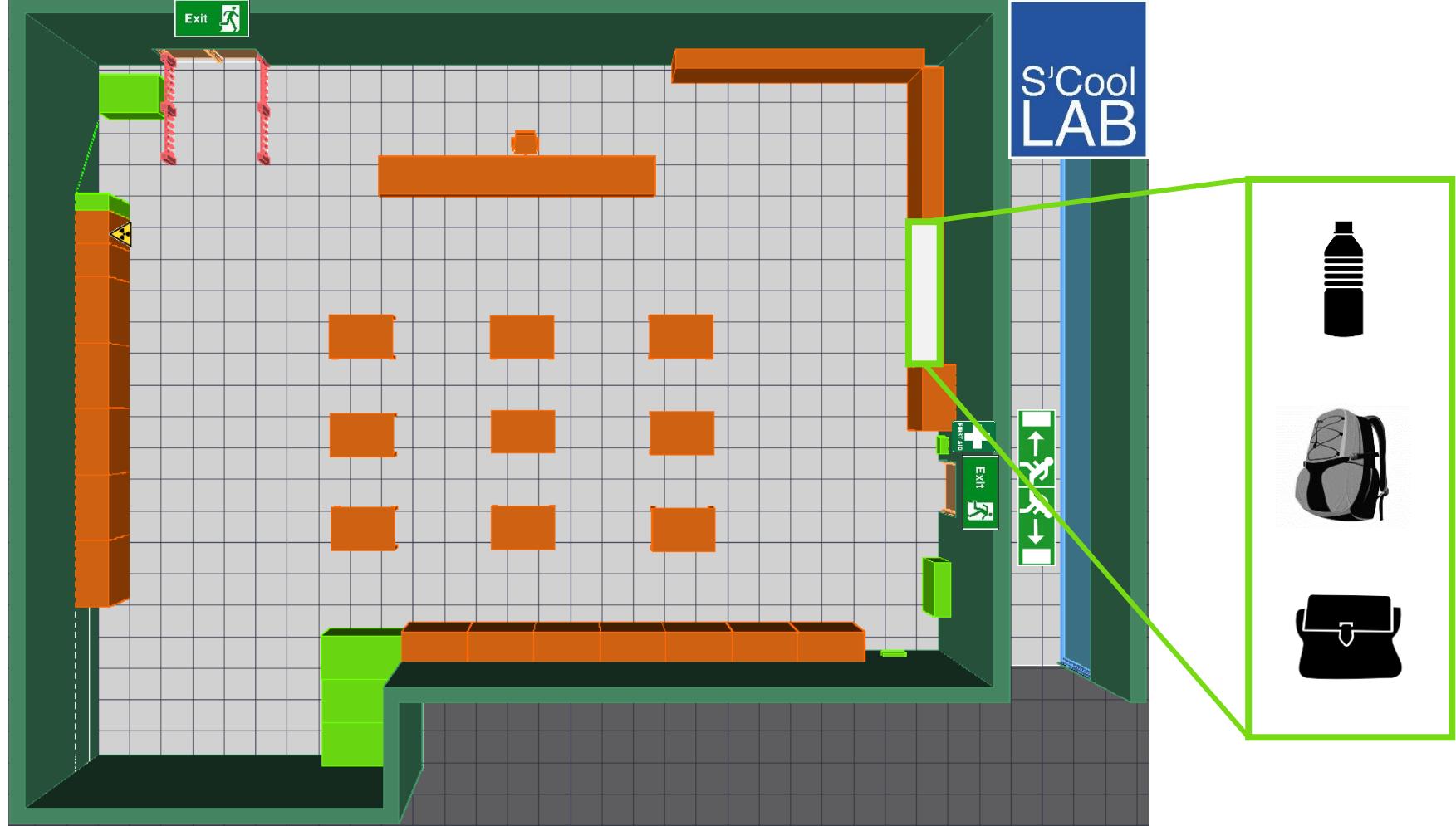
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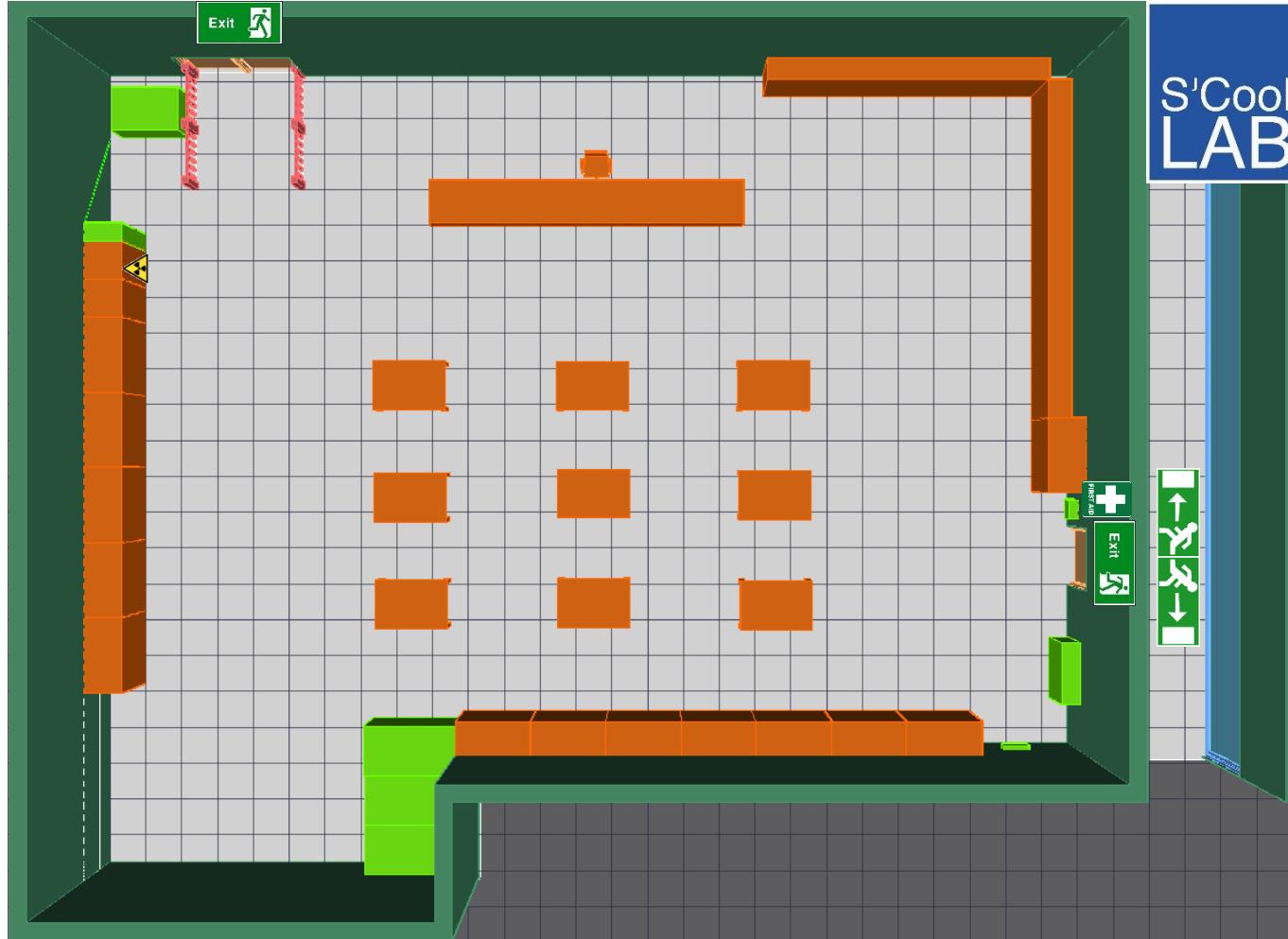
# Rules in S'Cool LAB



# Bags



# Emergency exits



# Assembly point



# Rest rooms



# Cloud Chamber Workshop

# Outline

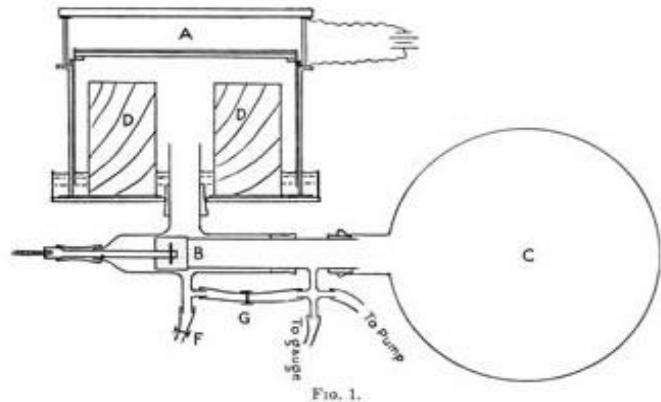
- History
- Step by step tutorial
- Build your own particle detector
- Tidying up
- Discussion and explanations

# History

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## Charles T. R. Wilson (1869 - 1959)

This Scottish physicist perfected the first (expansion) cloud chamber in 1911 and received the Nobel Prize in 1927.

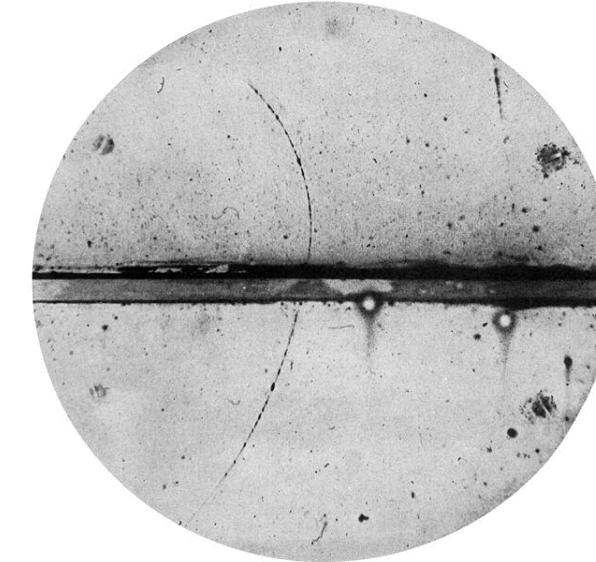


A diagram of Wilson's apparatus. The cylindrical cloud chamber ('A') is 16.5cm across by 3.4cm deep.

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## Carl Anderson (1905 - 1991)

This physicist discovered the positron in 1932 and the muon in 1936 using a cloud chamber. He received the Nobel Prize in 1936.

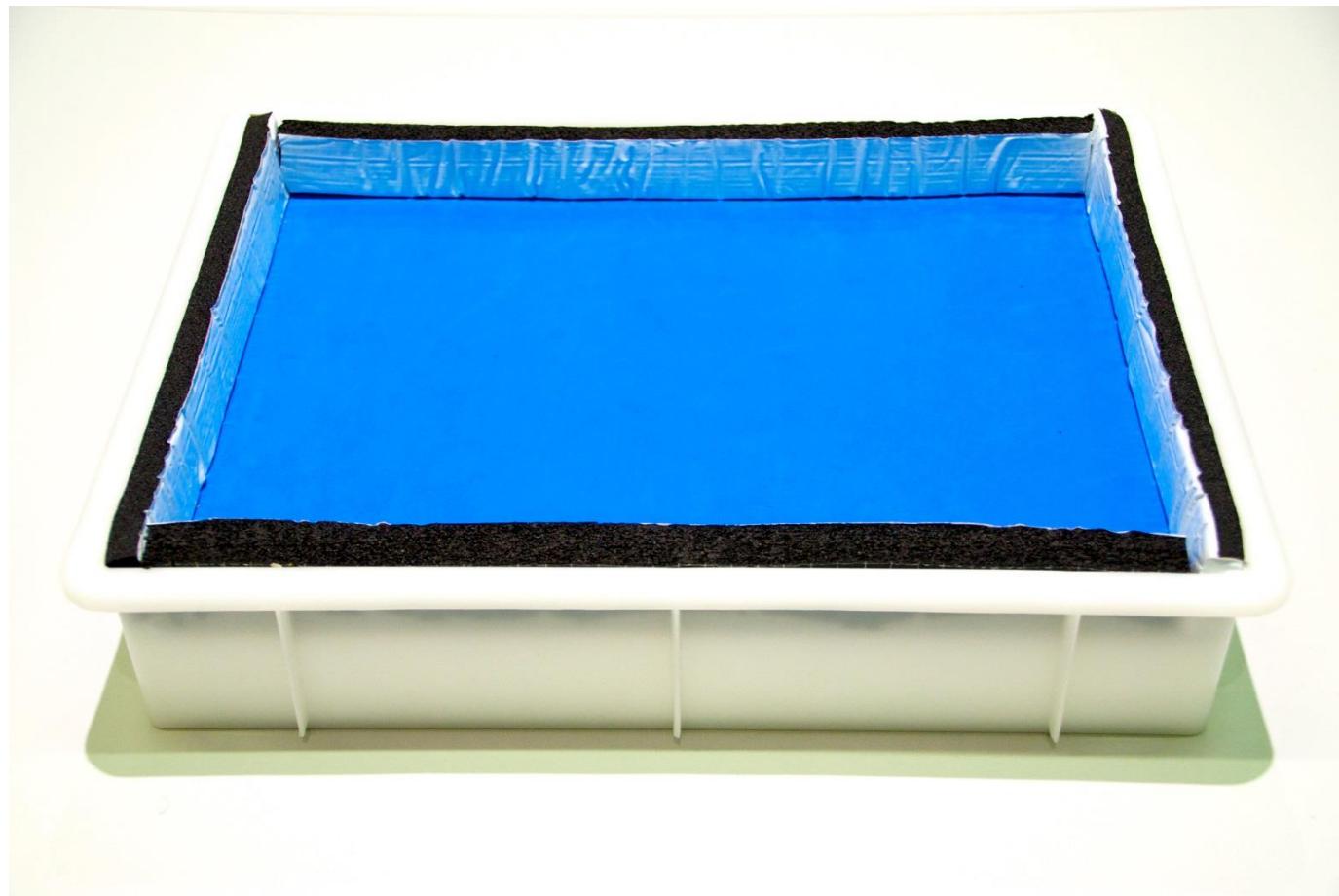


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# Step by step tutorial

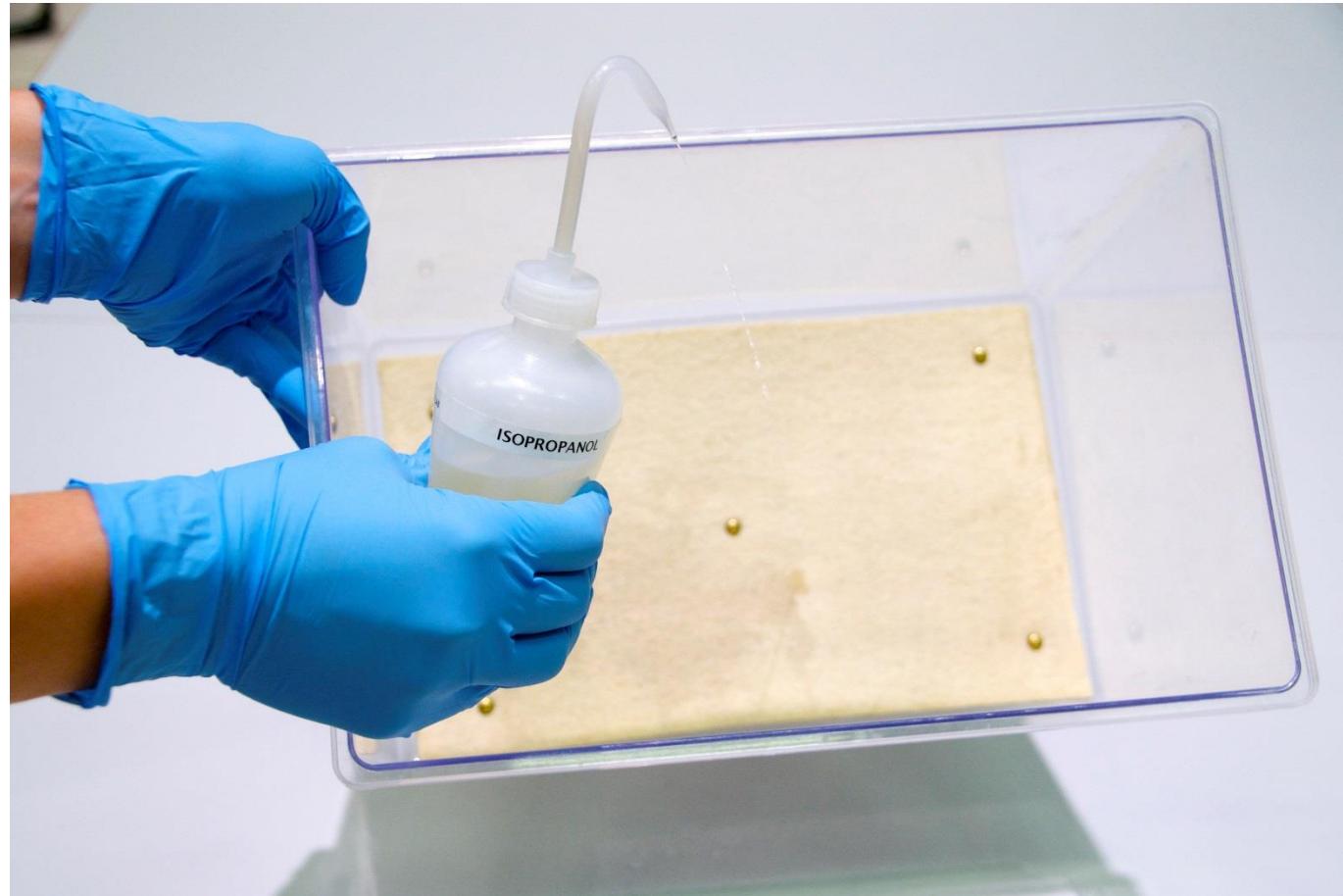
# Build your cloud chamber - step by step



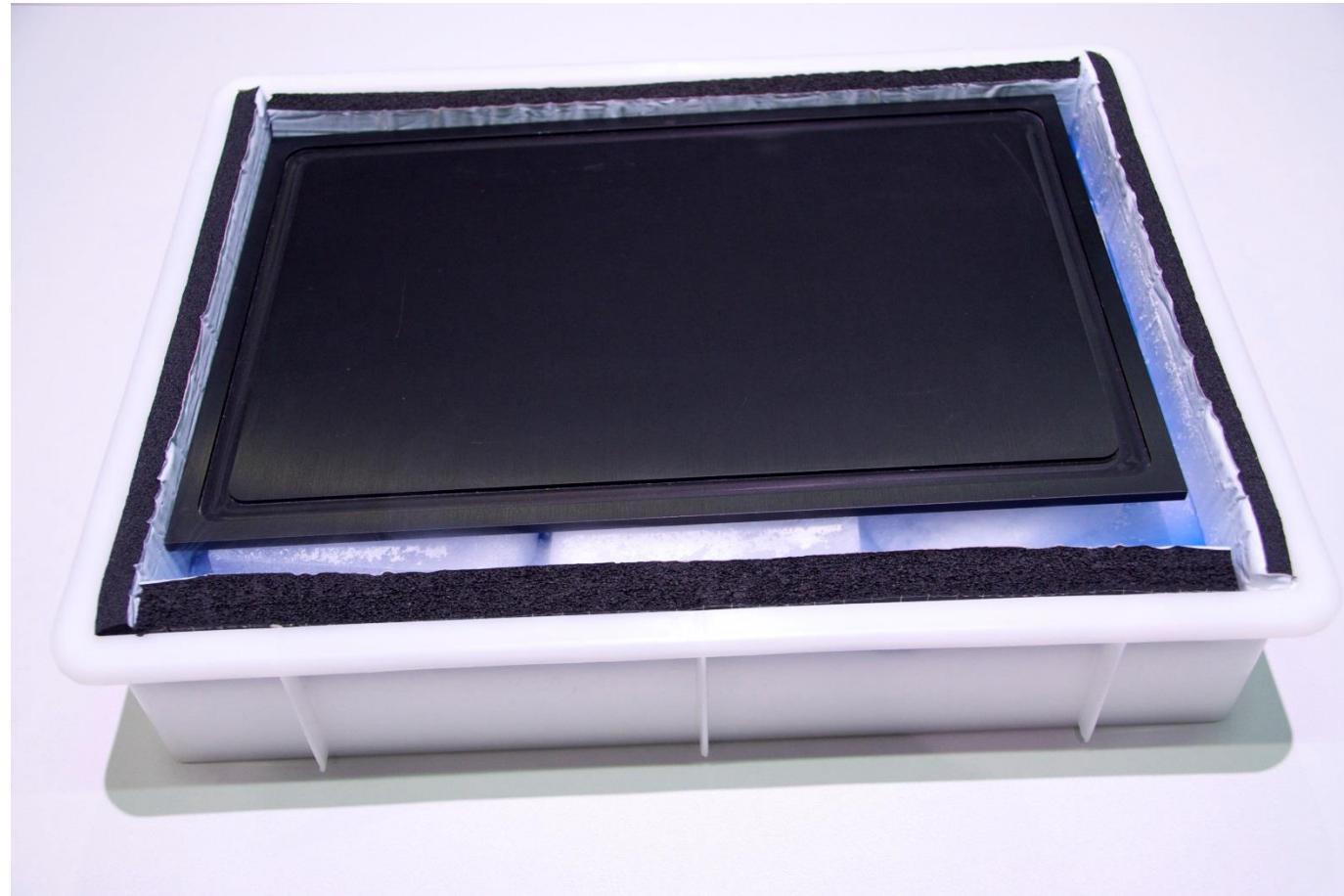


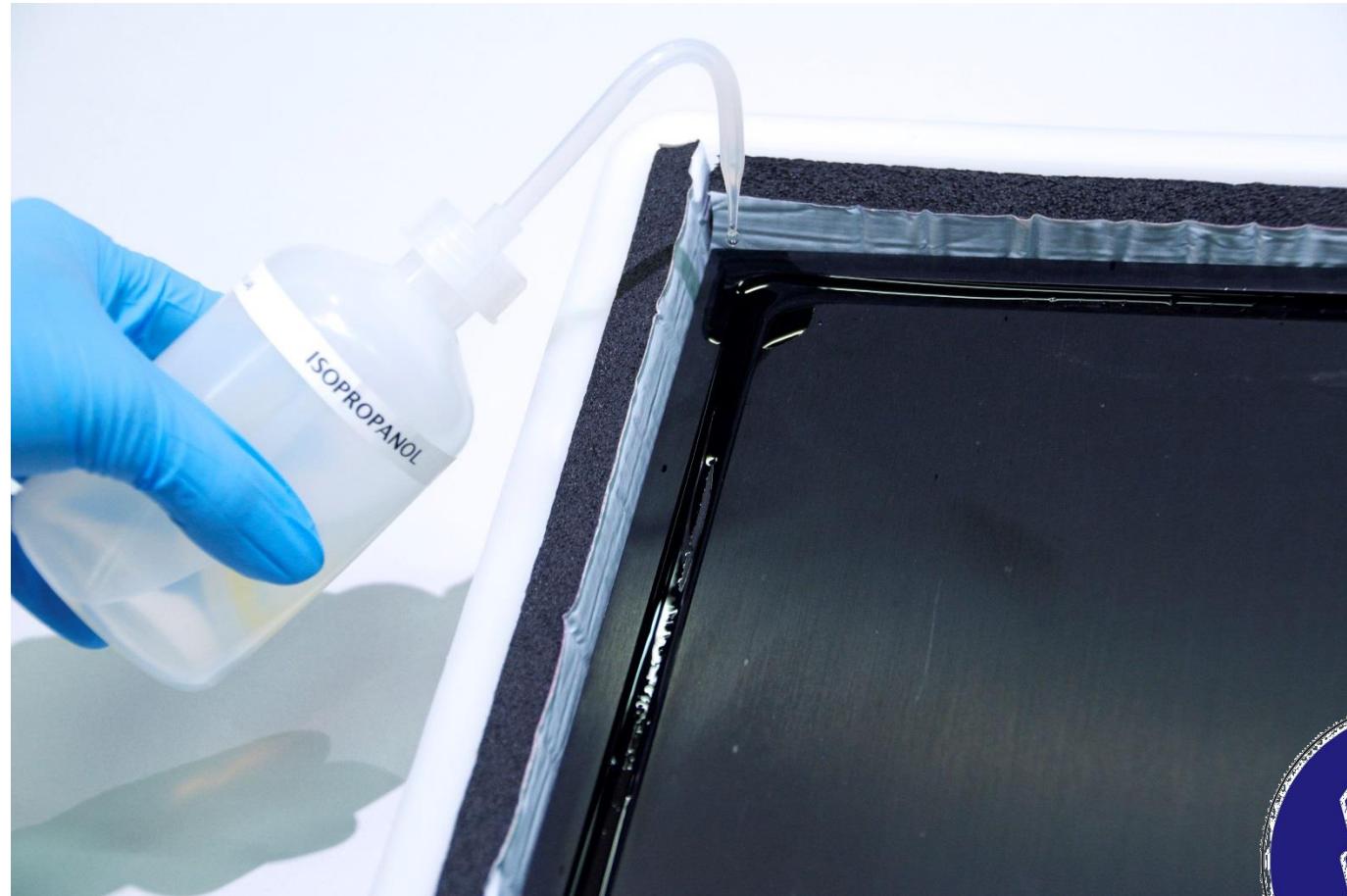




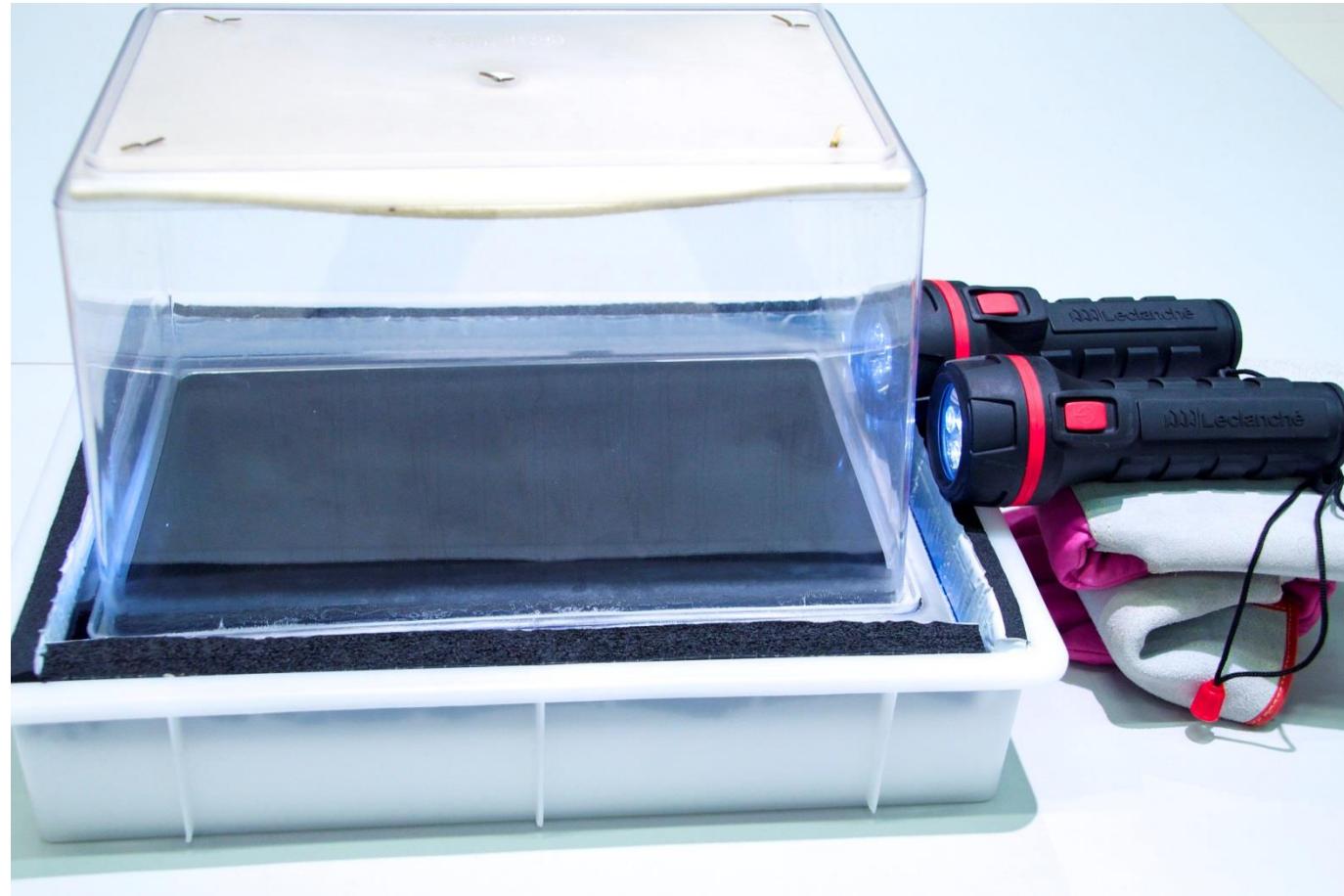


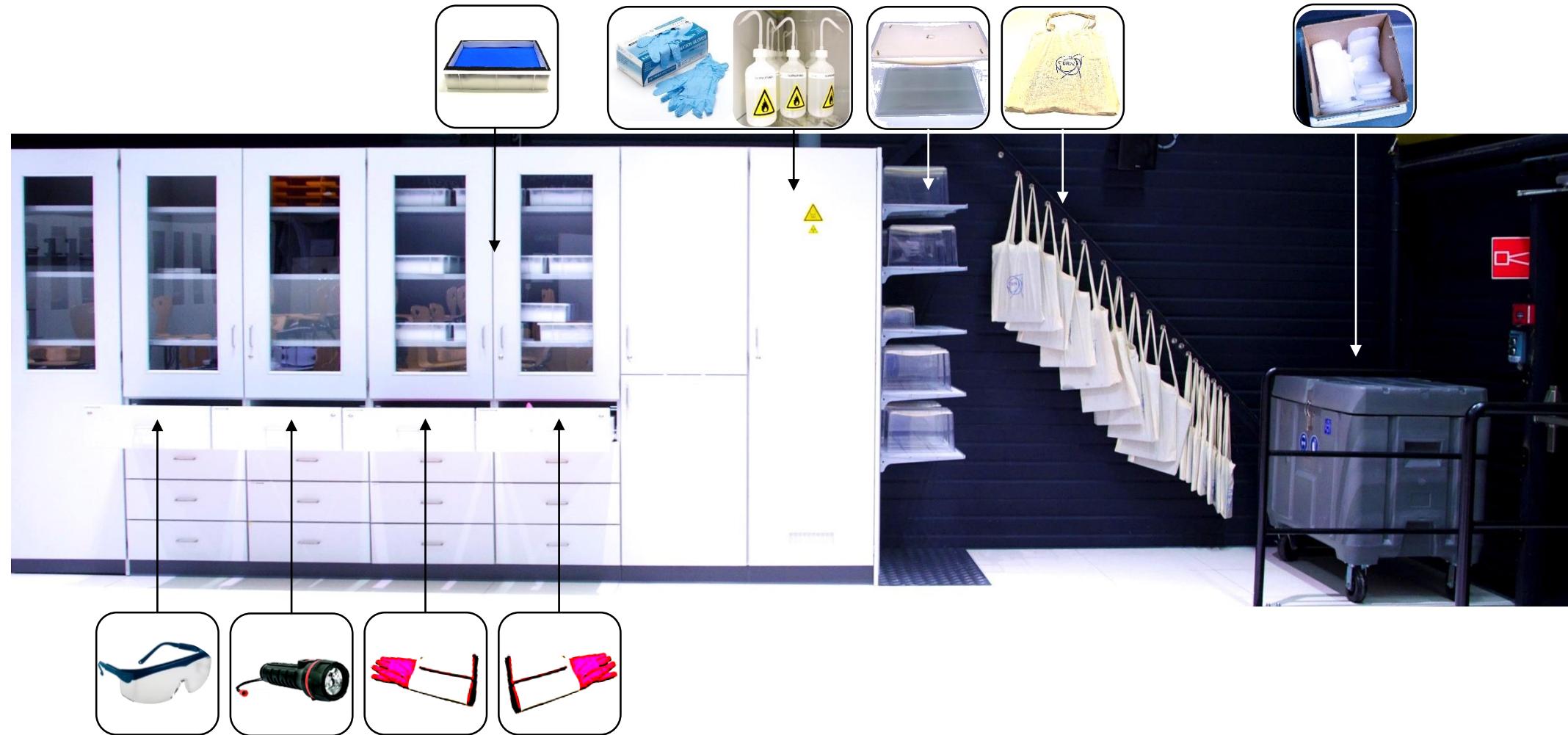










 Build your own particle detector!

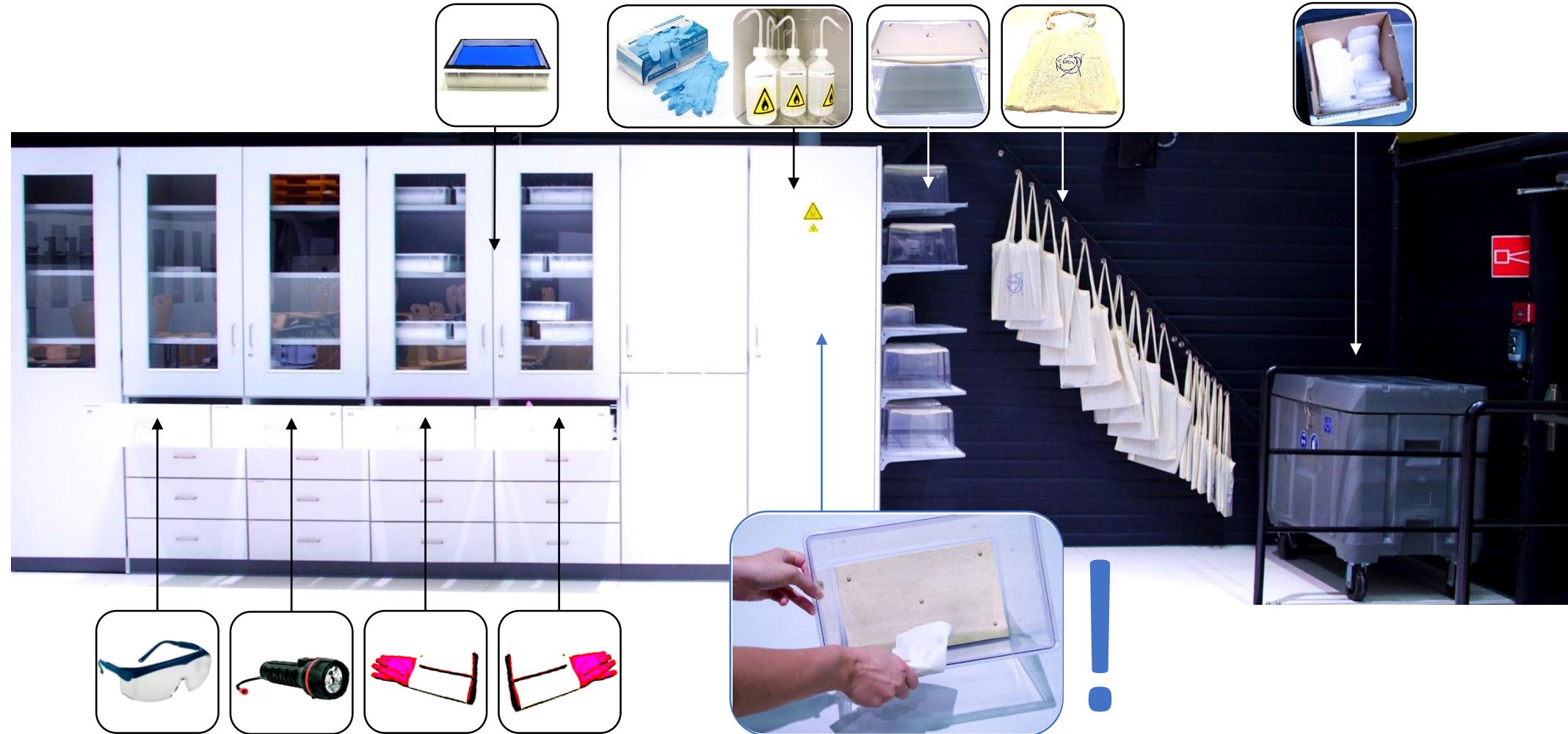


# Build your own particle detector!

## Tasks

- Observe your Cloud Chamber
- Find the optimal torch position and the optimal observation position
- Describe visible tracks (shape, length, width, ...)
- Discuss the reason for these tracks
- Count the number of tracks you can see for 1 minute, repeat this measurement 2 times

# 👉 Tidying up



# Discussion and explanations

# CosMO Experiment

# Additional Material

# Air Shower Simulation

## Cosmic Ray Air Shower Pictures

by H.-J. Drescher [drescher@th.physik.uni-frankfurt.de](mailto:drescher@th.physik.uni-frankfurt.de).

Air showers are cascades of secondary particles induced in the atmosphere by high energy cosmic rays. What you see here is a **visualisation of realistic simulations of these showers**. Of course, not all of the particles in a shower are displayed, there are far too many! The **fraction displayed here is about 1e-6**, sampled with a **thinning algorithm**.

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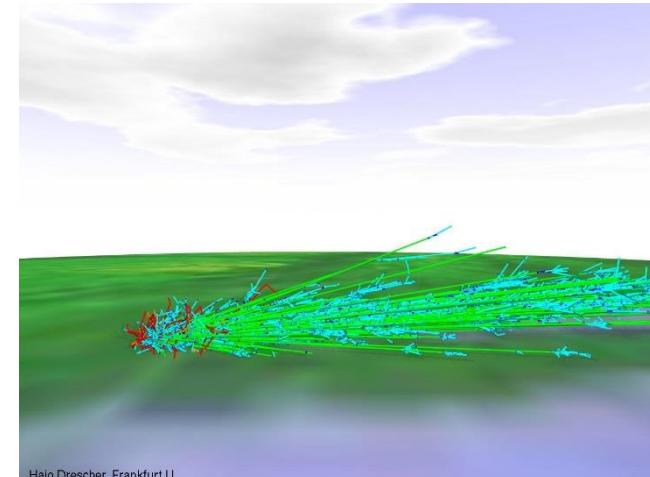
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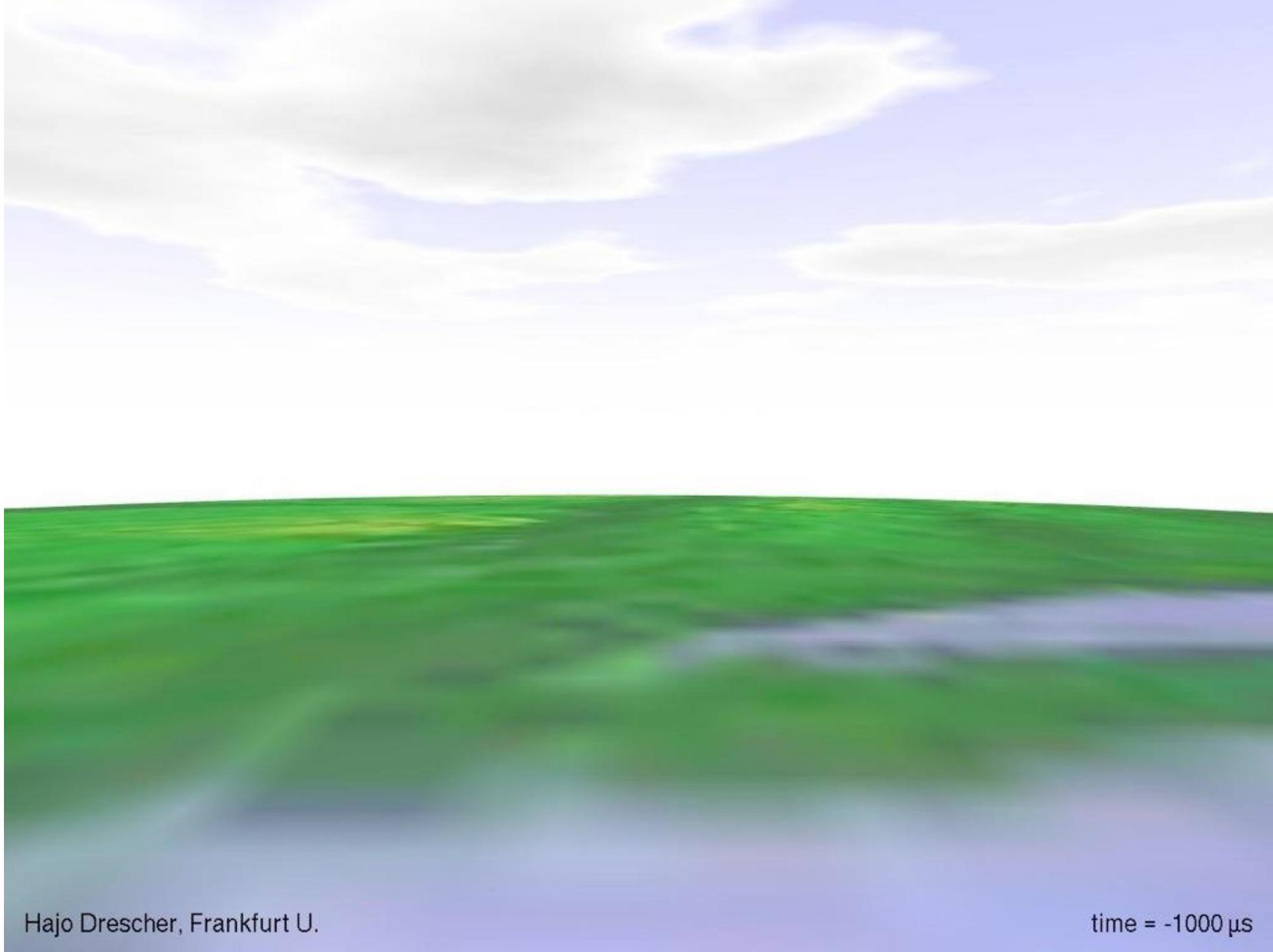
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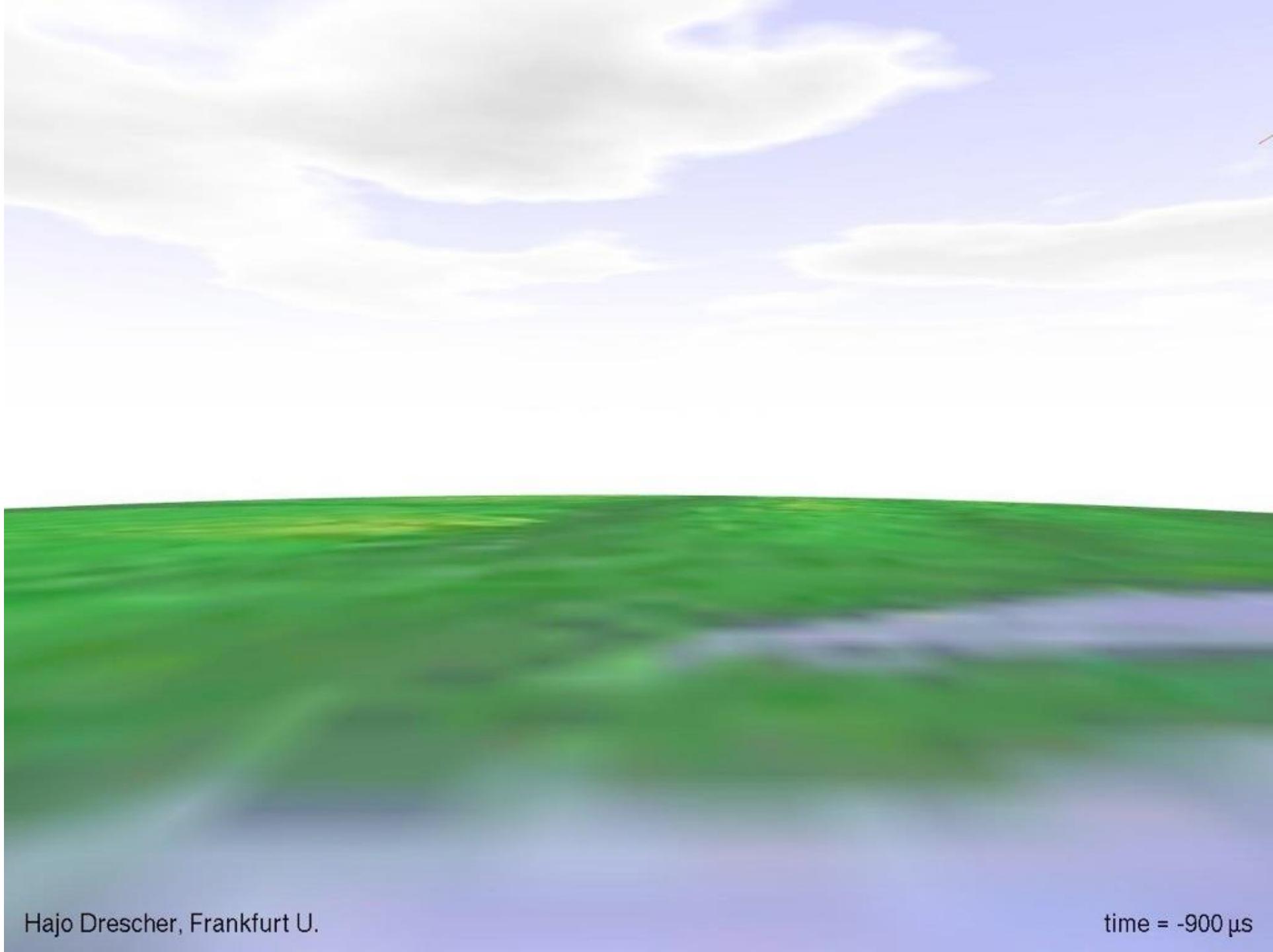
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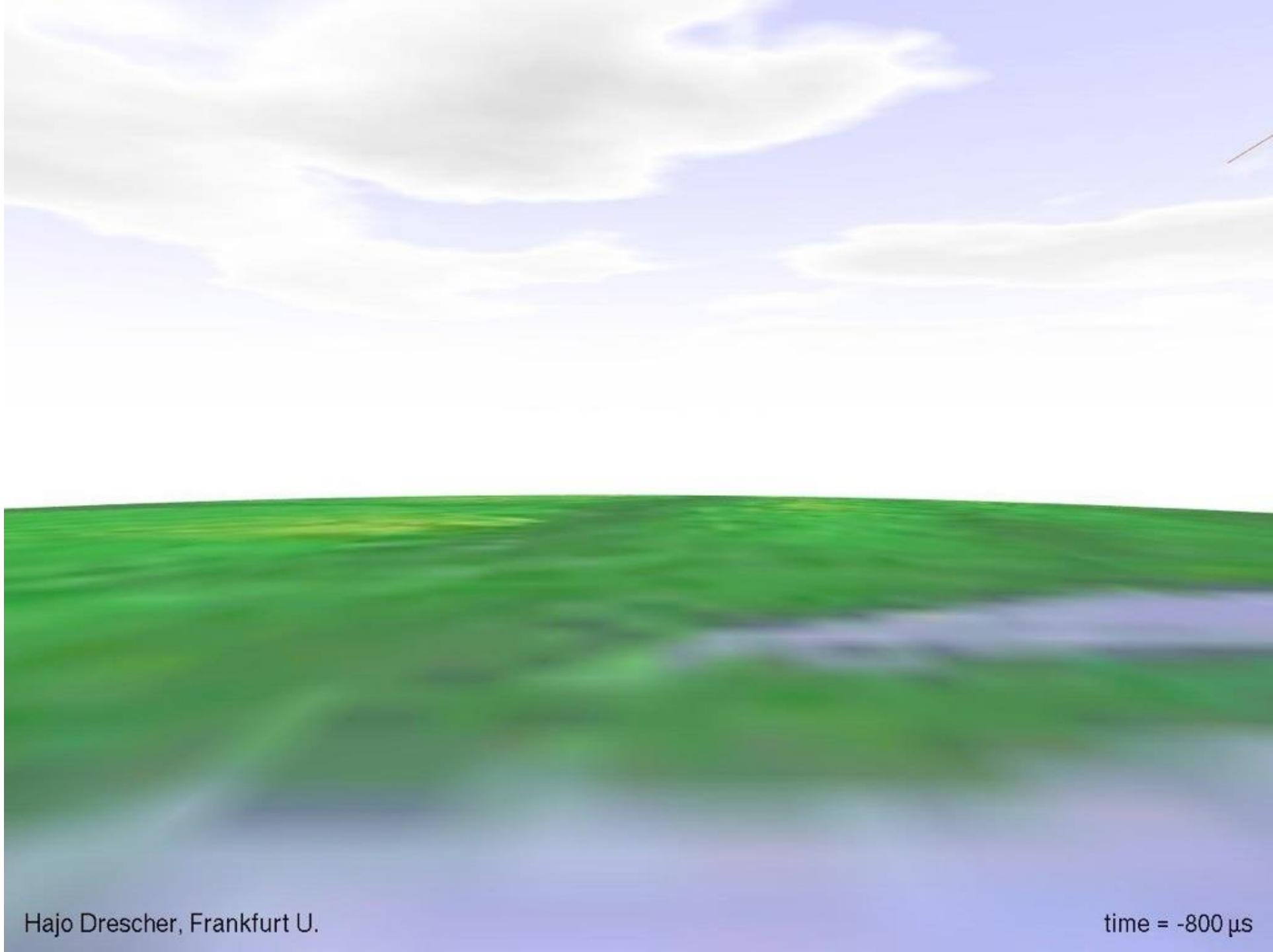
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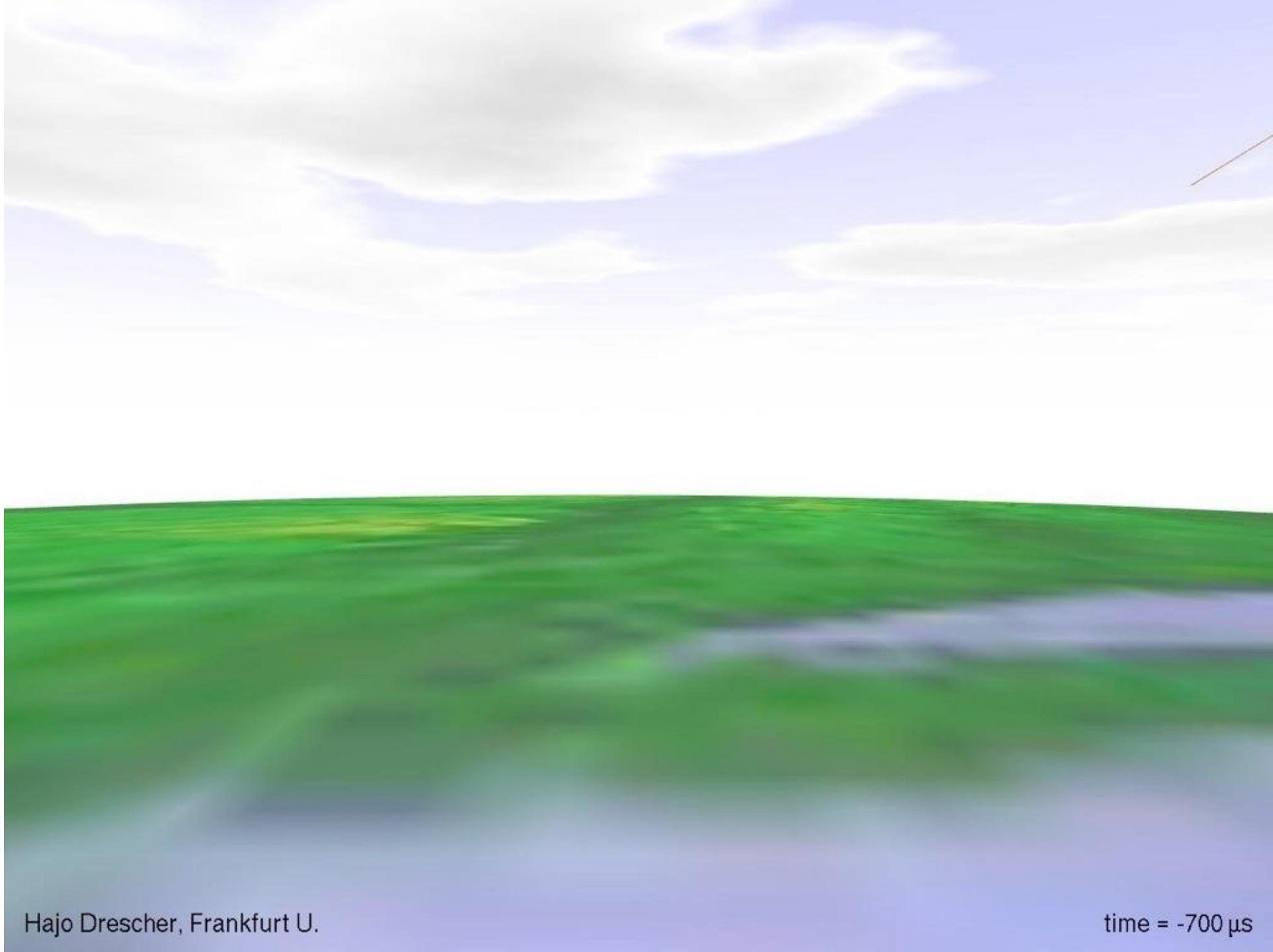
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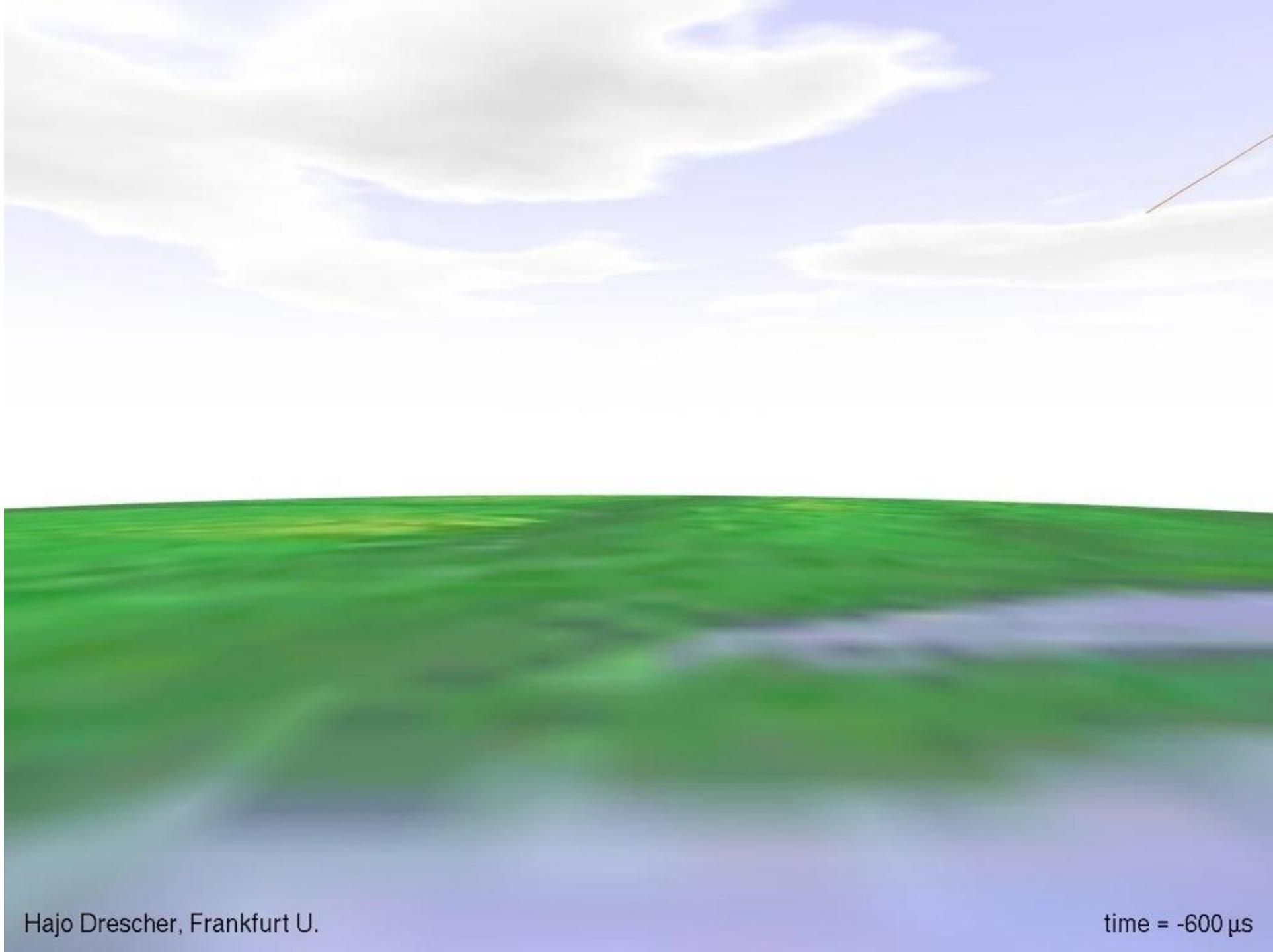
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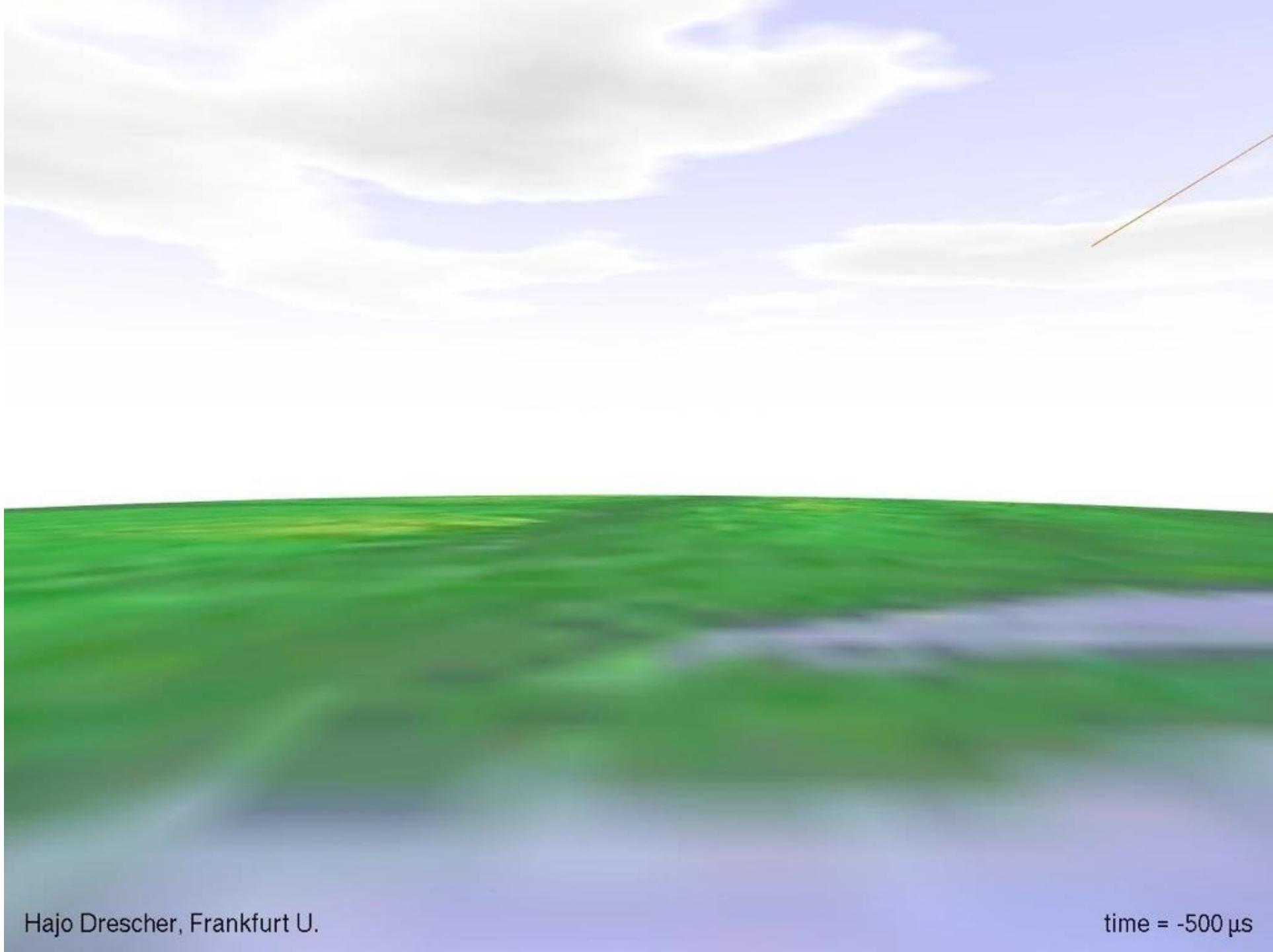
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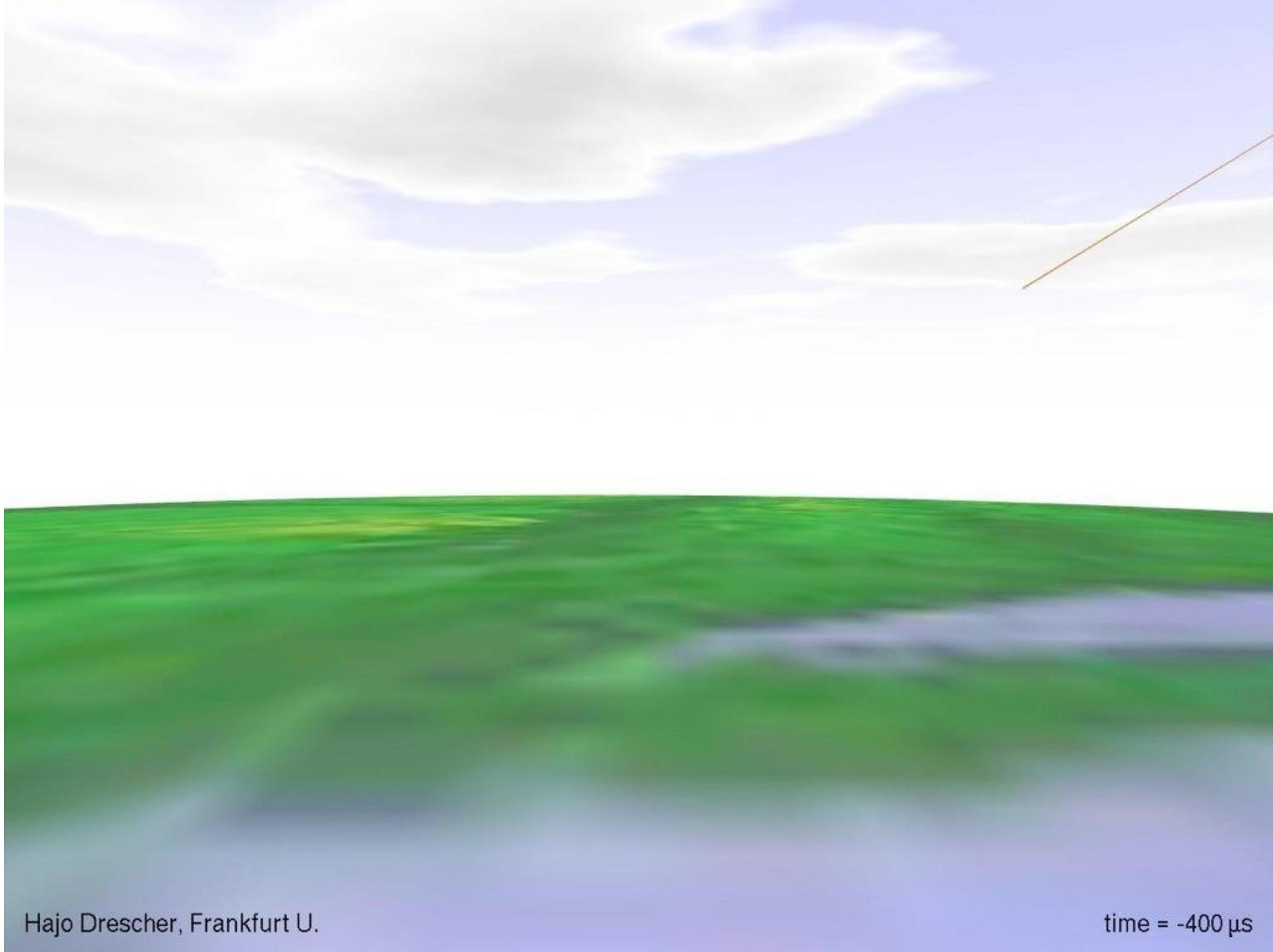
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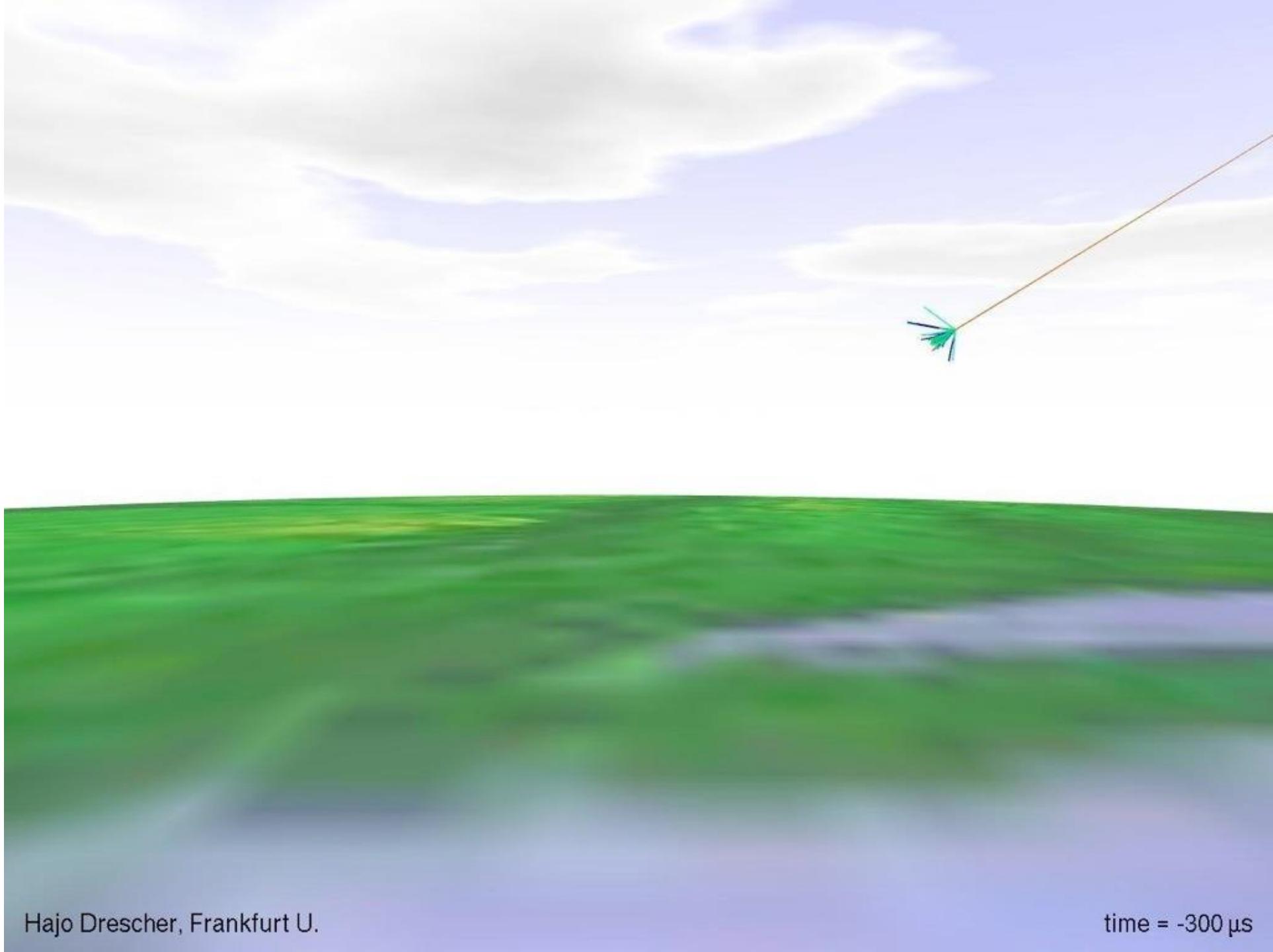
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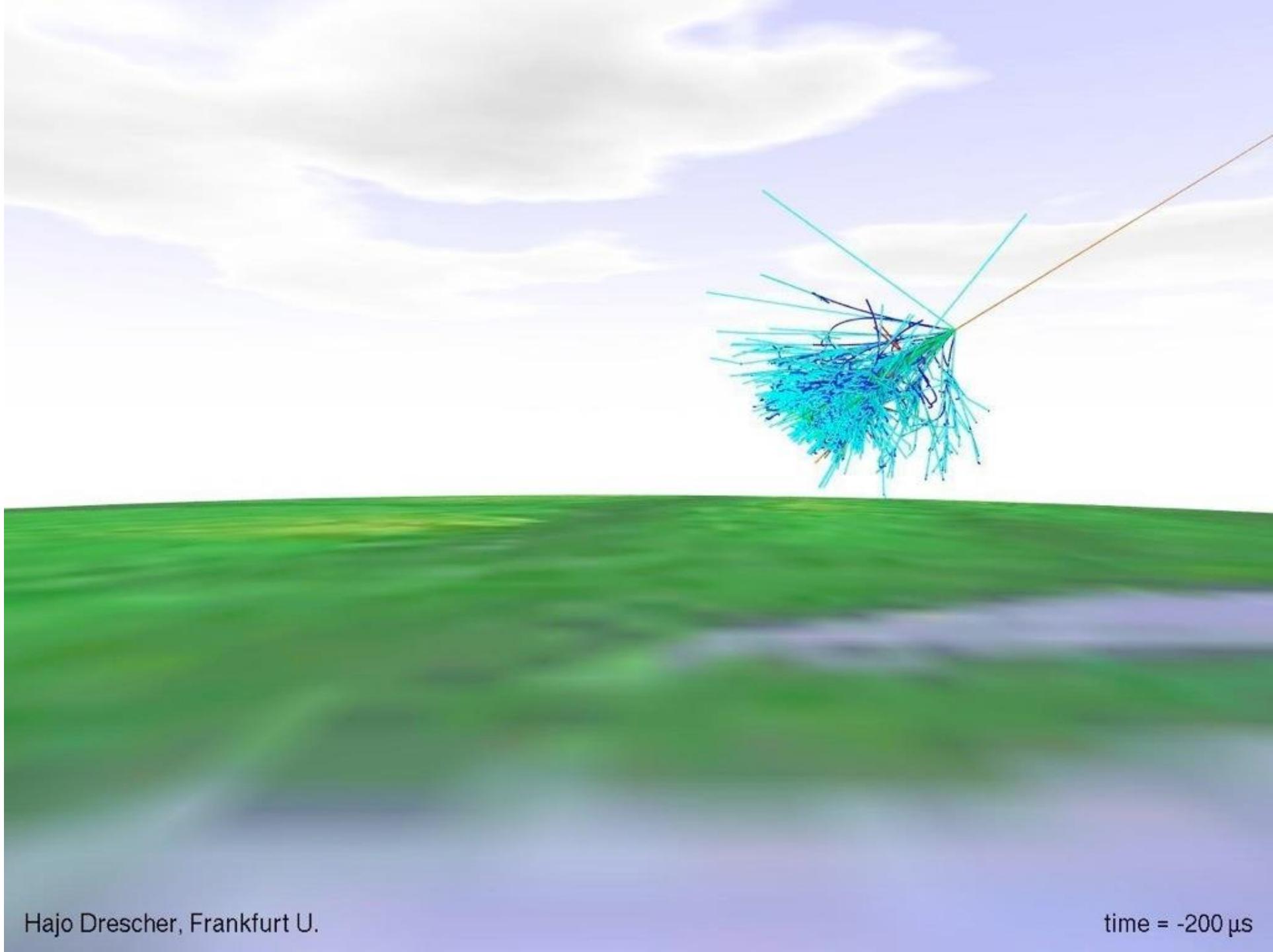
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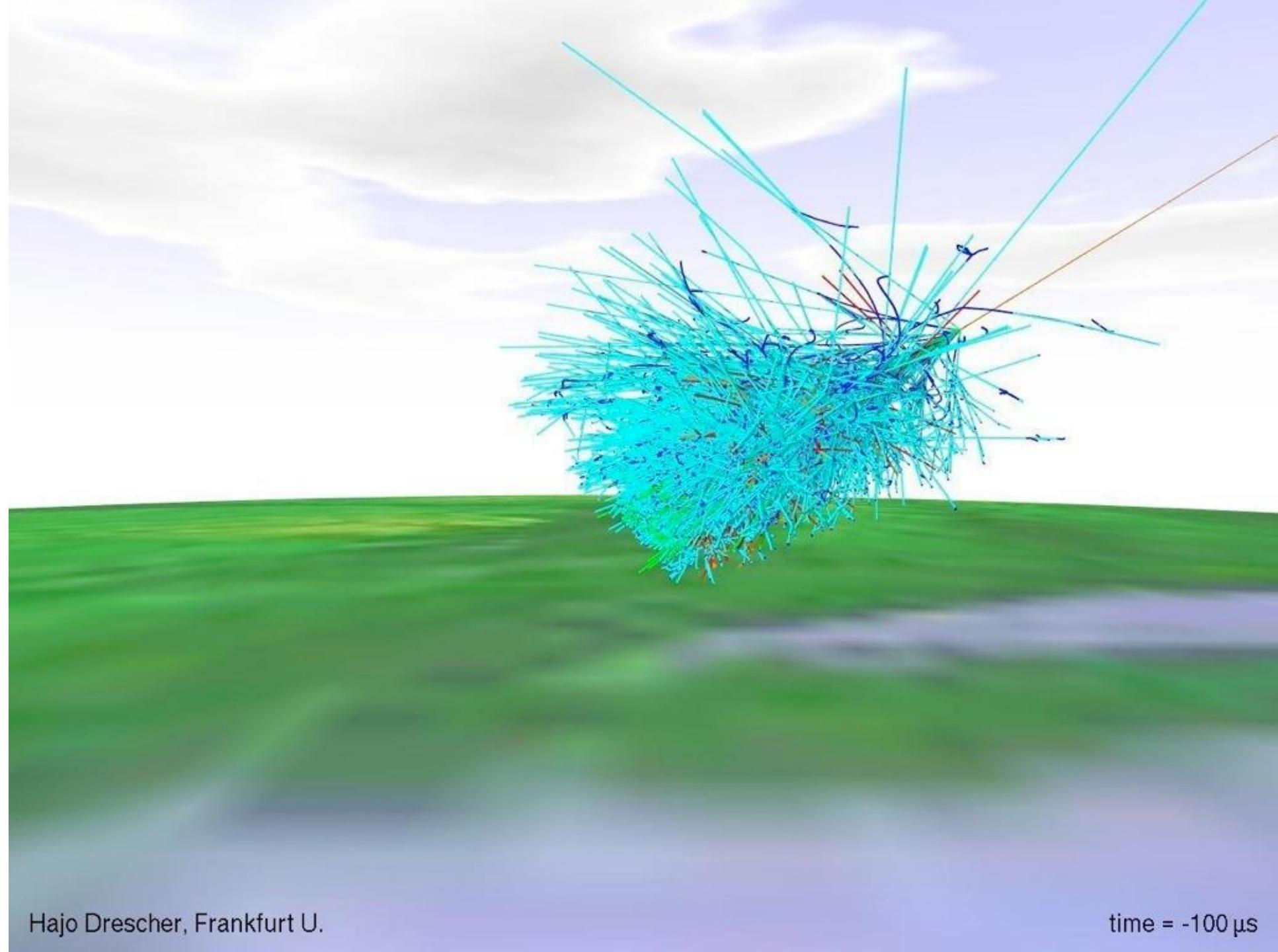
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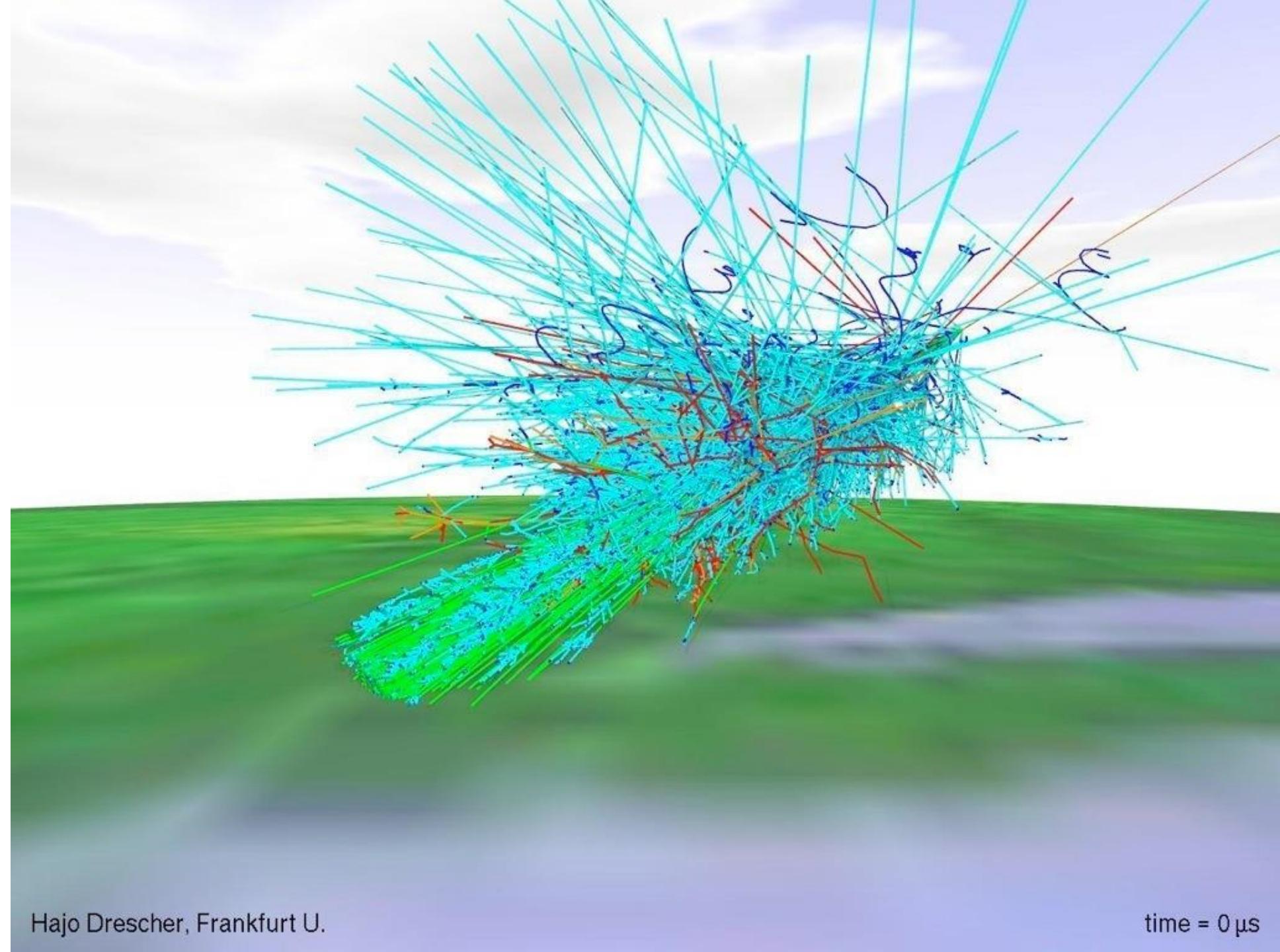
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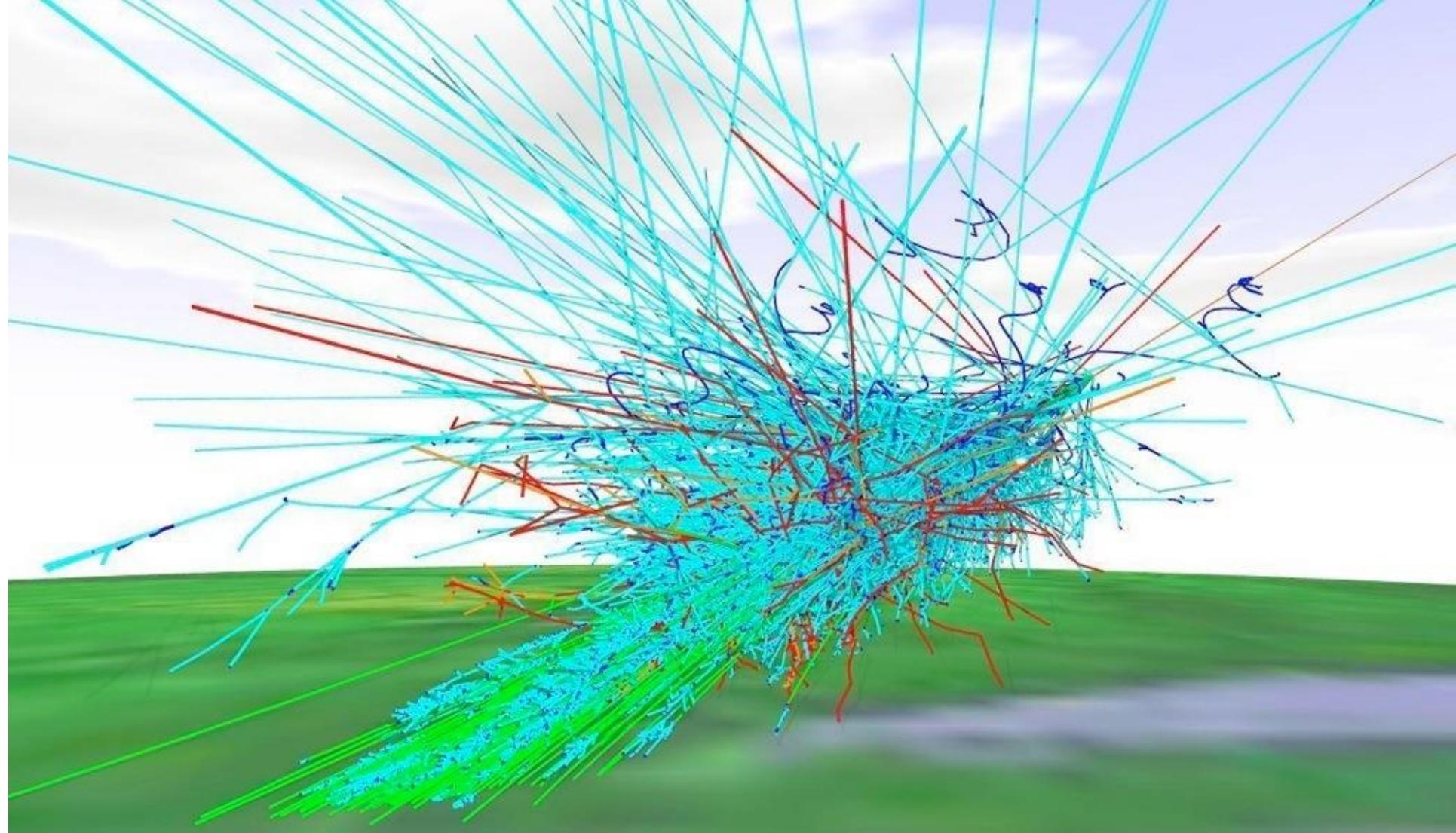
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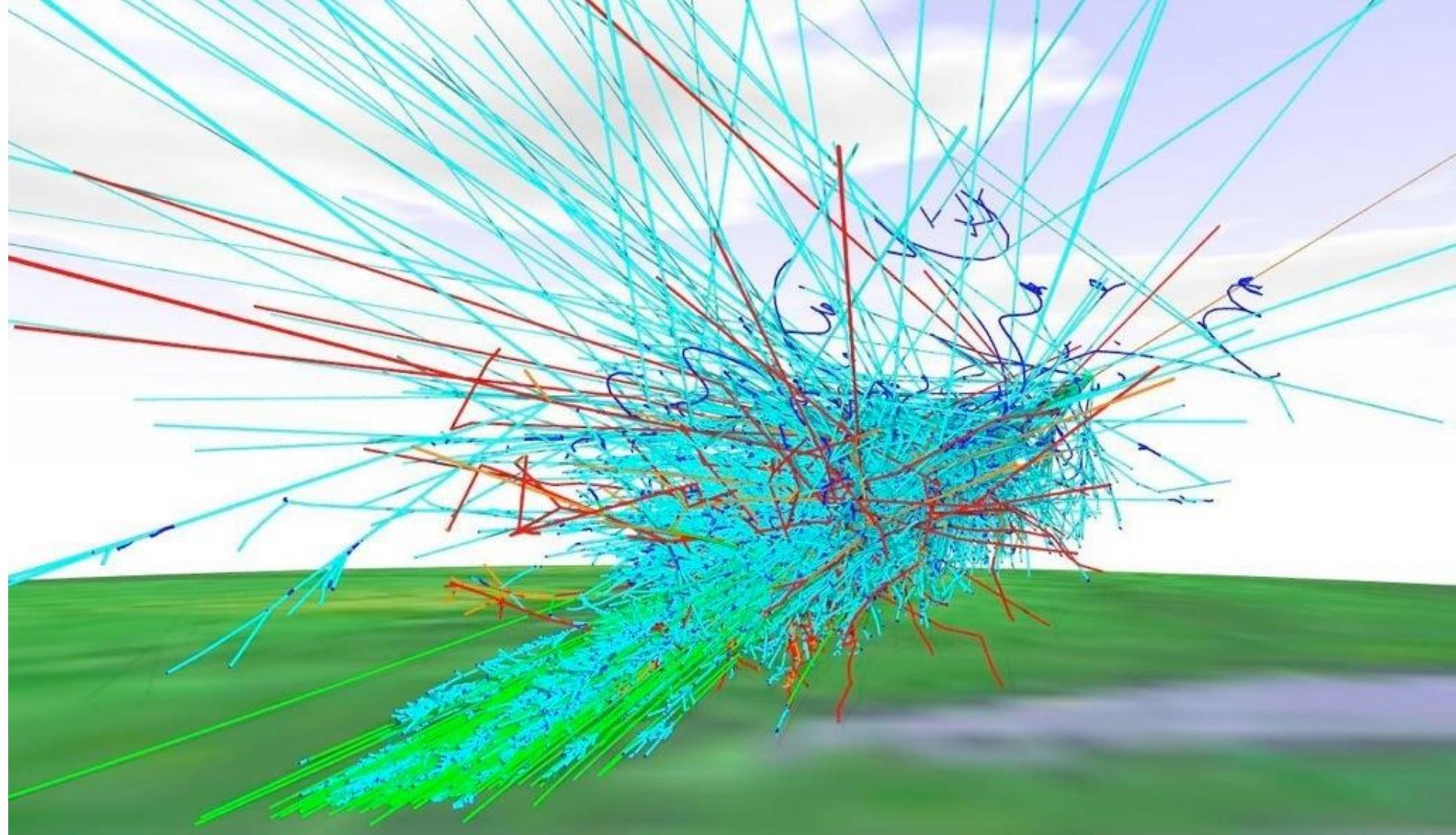
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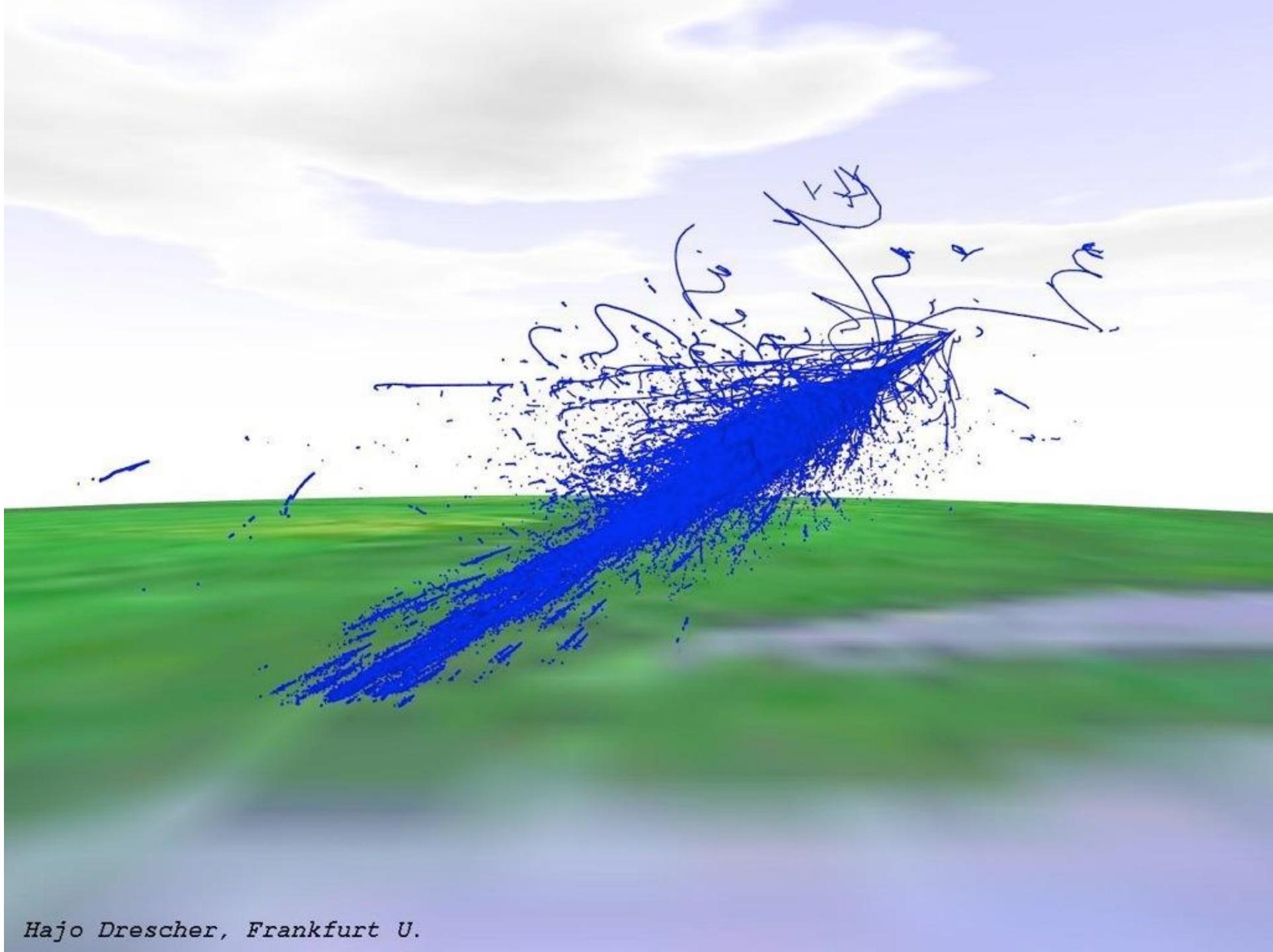
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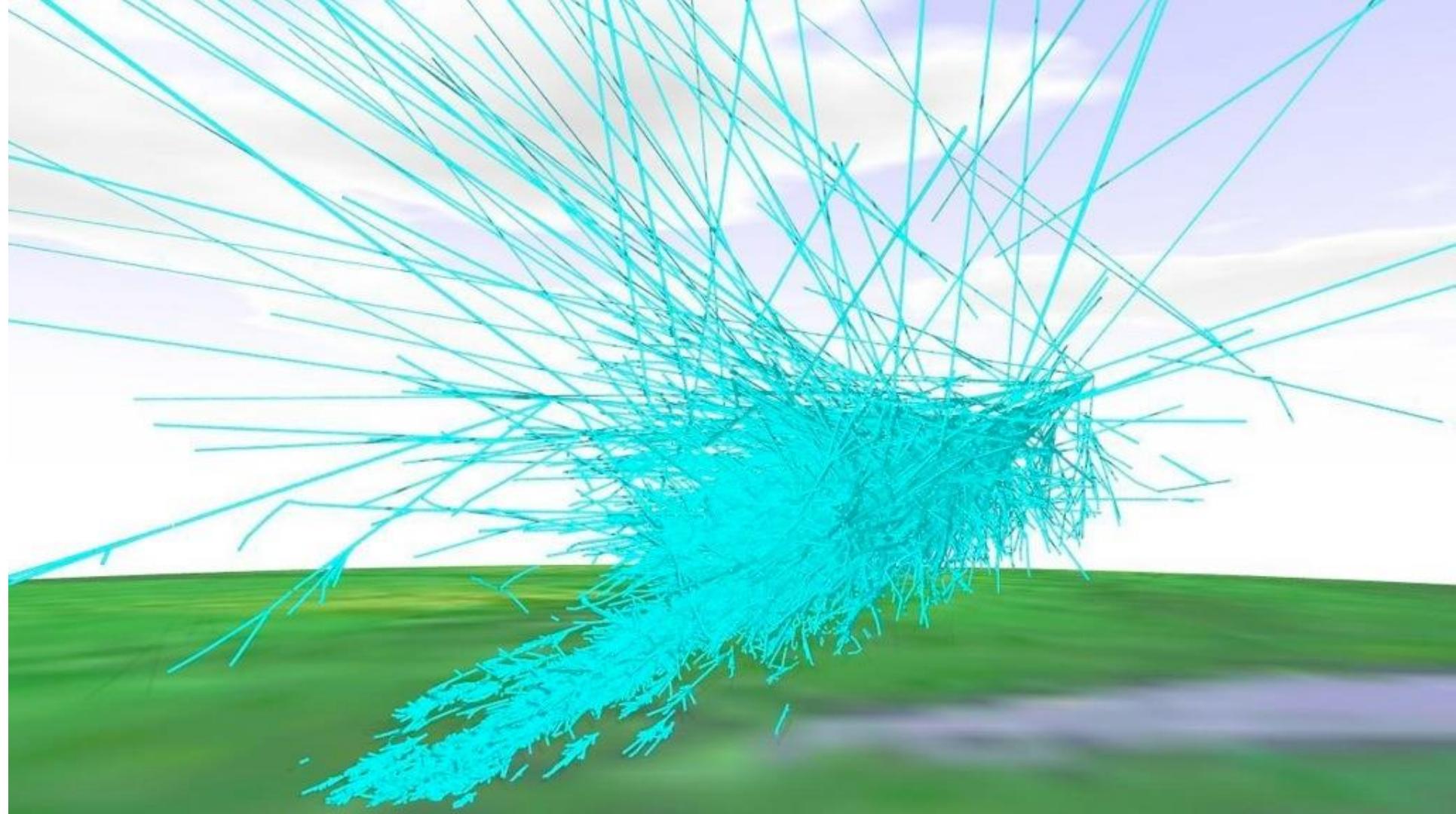


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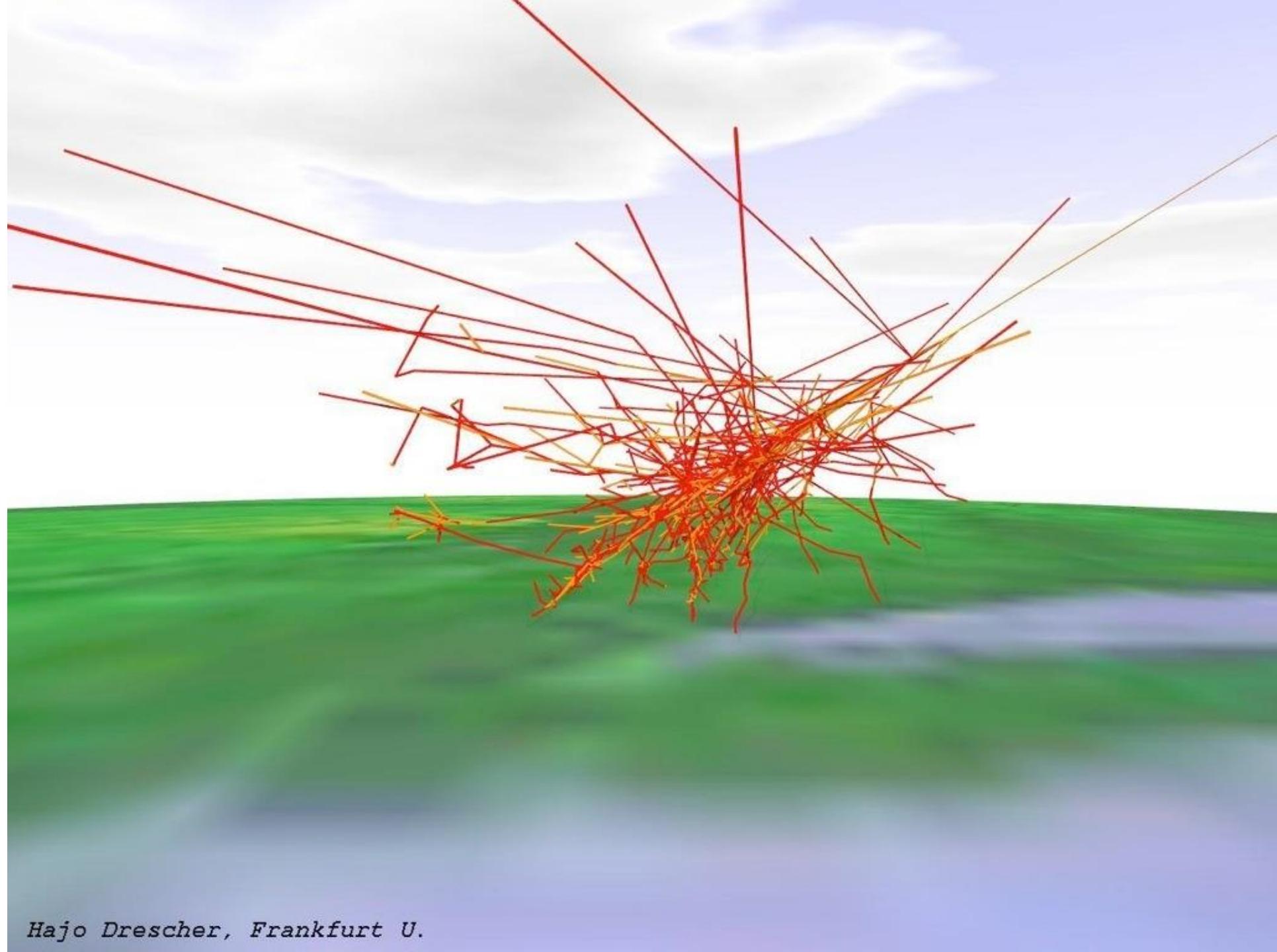


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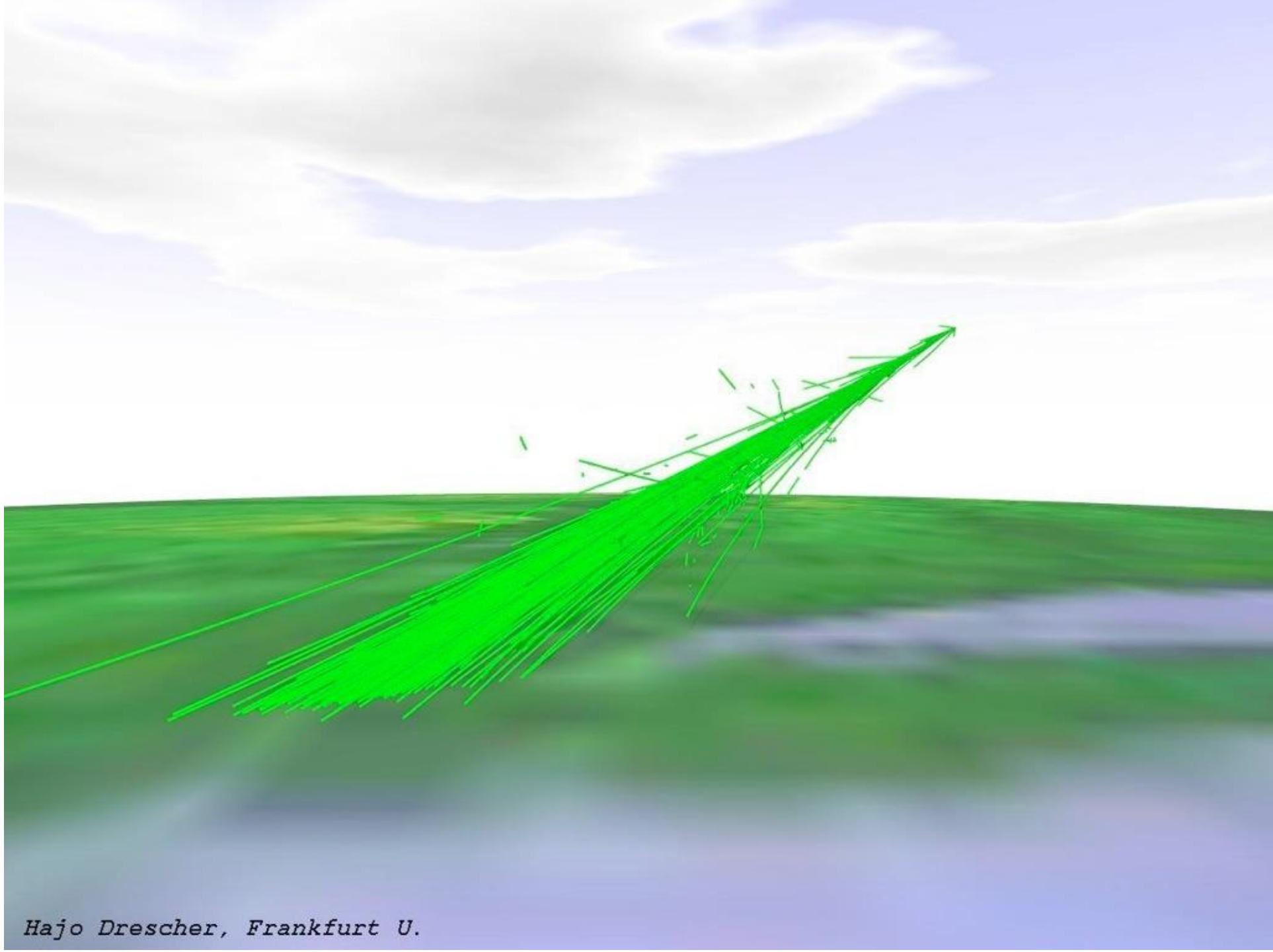
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