Abstract: High-performance visualization algorithms are experiencing a revolution driven by the emergence of high-throughput processor technology. Modern "many-core" processors require an extreme amount of problem decomposition and invalidate many of our previous assumptions about parallel computing. Many researchers across the DOE labs as well as in academia and industry are partnering together to develop VTK-m, a toolkit to assist in the design and use of visualization algorithms on multi- and many-core machines. This talk will introduce VTK-m, describe the basics behind some of the key algorithms, and outline our plans to integrate with our existing visualization software infrastructure.

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