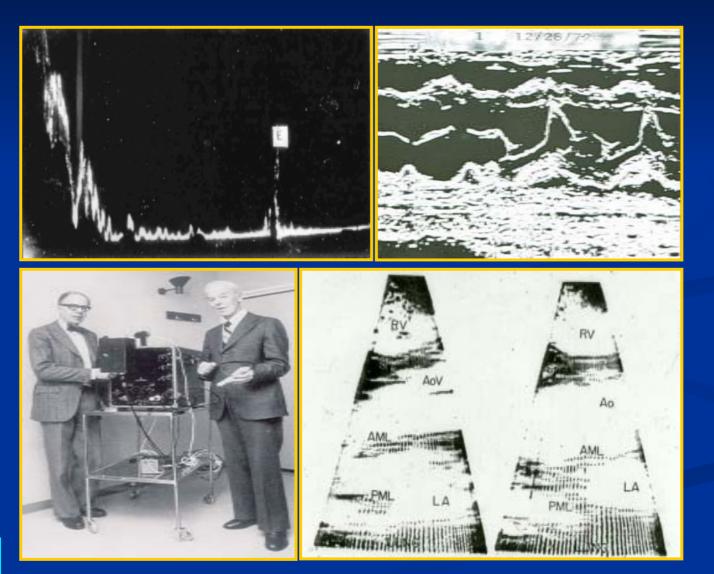
Real - Time 3 - Dimensional Echocardiography(RT3DE) in Clinical Practice



M-mode to 2-D Echo









2-Dimensional Echocardiography(2DE) looks wonderful enough !





Modalities of Echocardiography



Limitation of 2DE

Geometric assumption
 Everything about the heart is 3-dimensional !!!
 Mental conceptualization

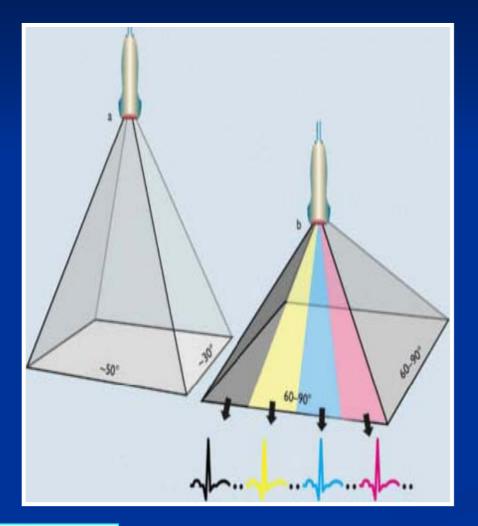


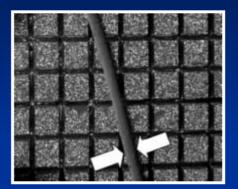
Advantages in 3DE

Quantification without geometric assumption Mass, volume and EF Improved visualization of spatial relations Complex congenital heart disease Unique view of valve structures En face views

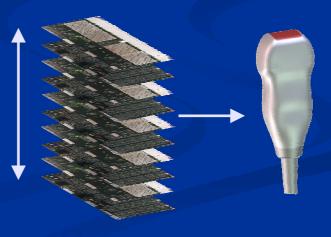


Advance in 3DE





Top view of Matrix (~3000 elements)





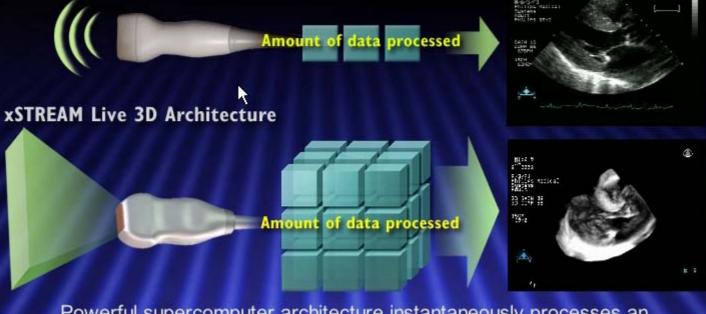
Matrix Array Transducer

Element	~3000
Frequency	1.6-4.0 MHz
Sector size	30*30 to 93*84
2D imaging	Biplane imaging
Harmonic imaging	Available
3D rendering	On-line



xSTREAM 3D Architecture

Conventional 2D Echo Processing

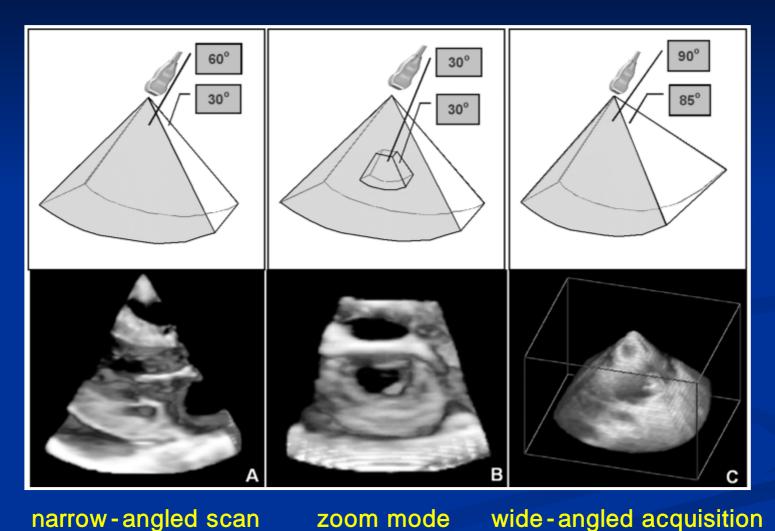


Powerful supercomputer architecture instantaneously processes an extraordinary amount of information vs. conventional ultrasound

Proprietary components in the xSTREAM 3D architecture enable it to accommodate massive amounts of 3D data streaming in real time



From PHILIPS



wide-angled acquisition

narrow-angled scan



RT3DE



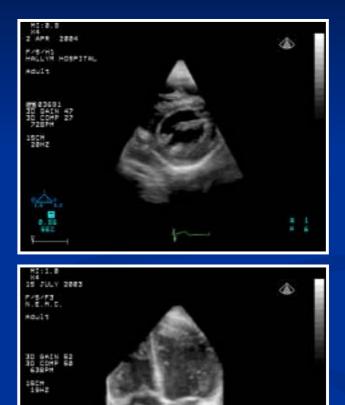
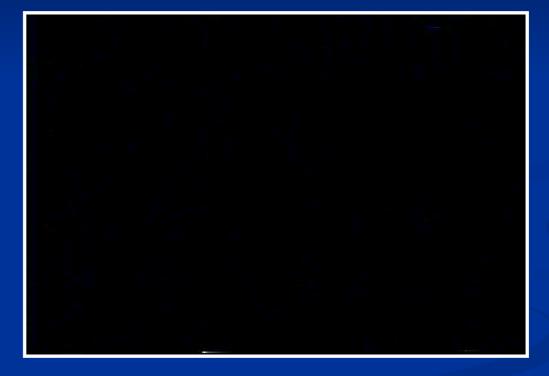




Image Acquisition and Crop





3D Data Analysis

Qualitative

Observe the rendered images of the endocardial and valvular surfaces
 Quantitative
 Manually

semiautomatically

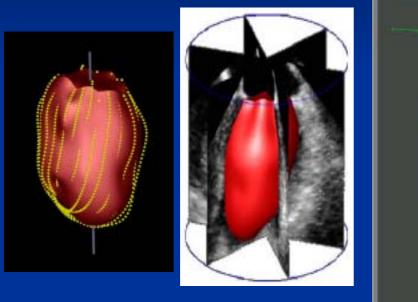


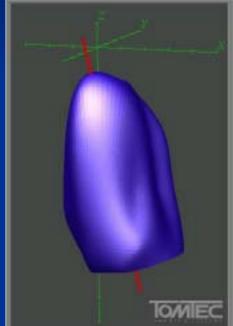
Qualitative Analysis

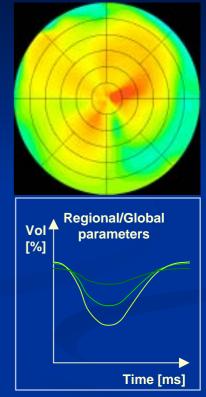




Quantitative Analysis











Better visualization of (complex)anatomic features Congenital heart disease Location, size, and phasic changes of defect Identify spatial inter-relationship in complex form Surgical or en face view Tailored surgery Vegetation, tumor and thrombus Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy



Atrial Septal Defect





Ventricular Septal Defect



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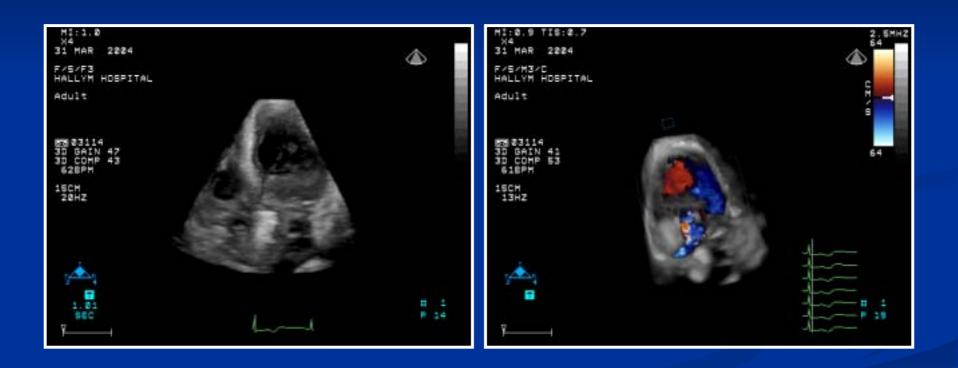


HCM



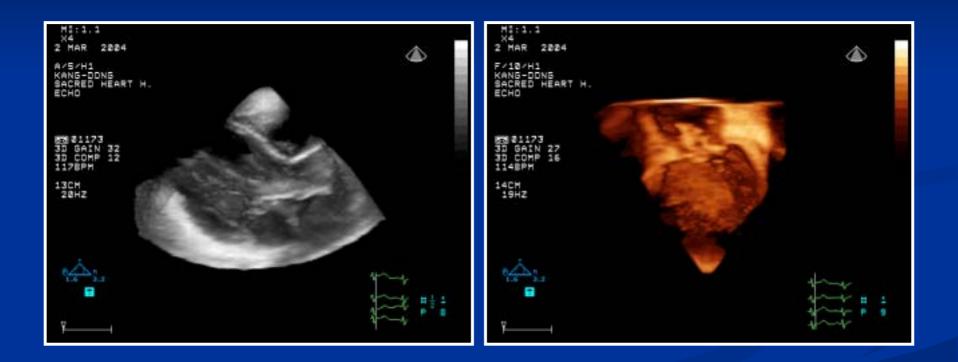


Apical HCM

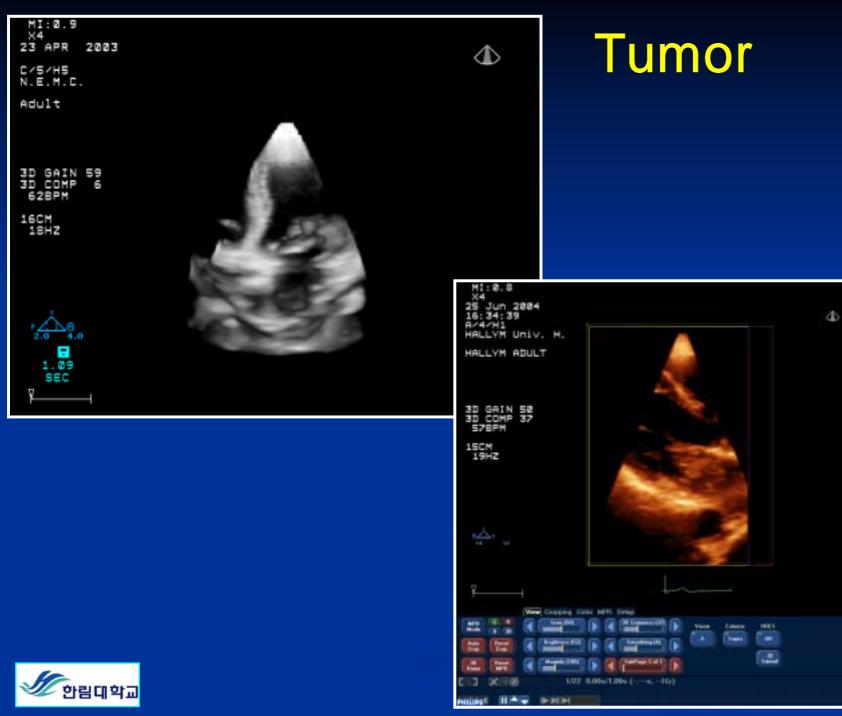




Vegetation





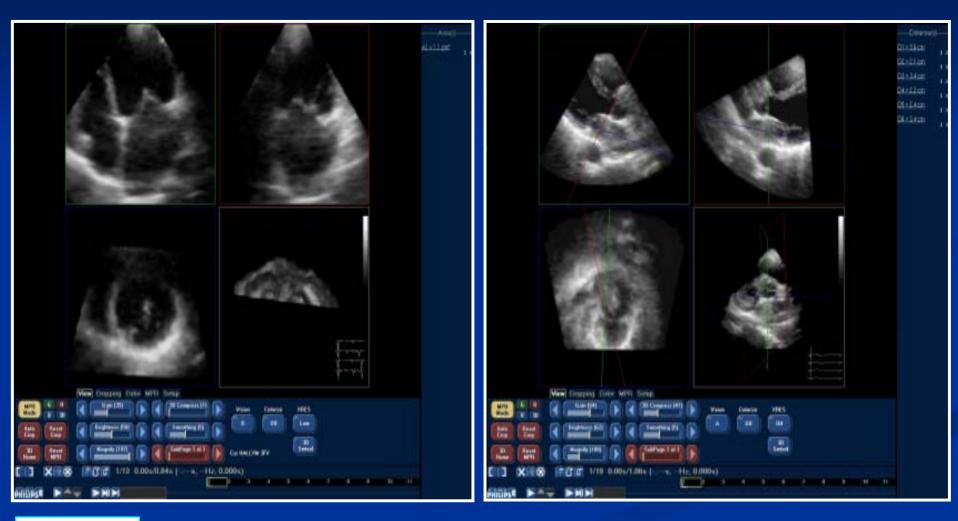


Better quantitation of size, volume, mass and function

Volume and Mass of LV and RV
Regional/global function
Diastolic function
Size of dysfunctional myocardium
Size and volume of intracardiac mass
Defect size: ASD, VSD etc.



Valve Area and Mass Volume

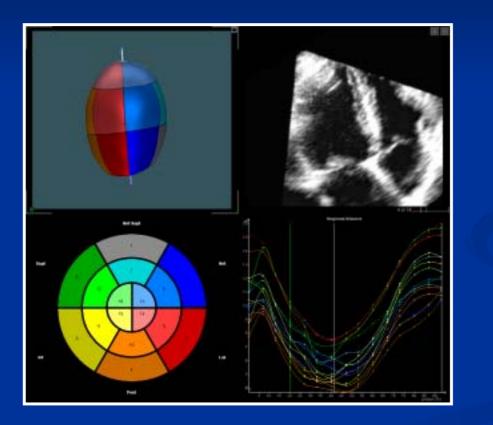


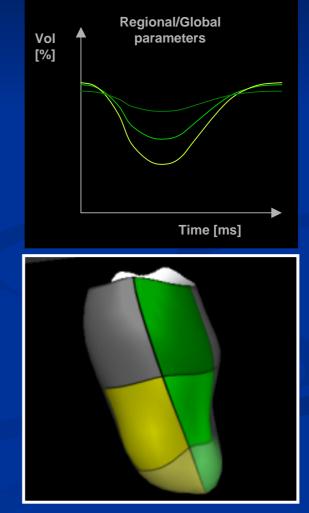




LV Analysis

Regional/global function, Diastolic function (Using TomTec software)

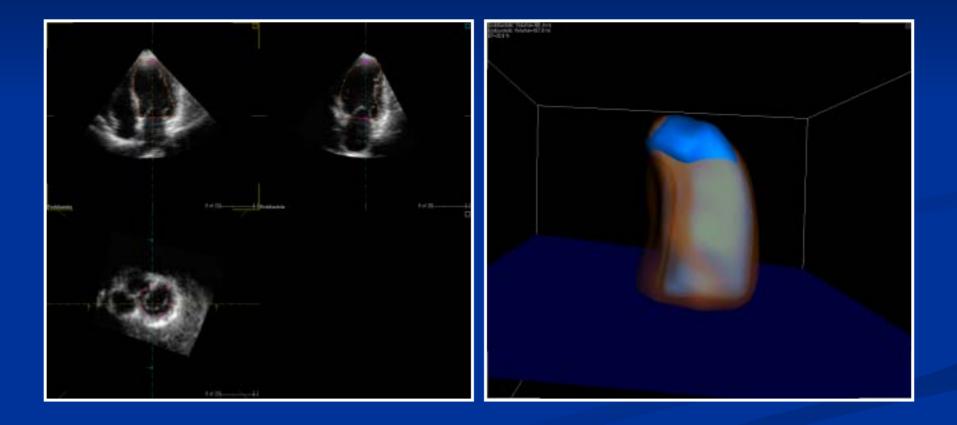






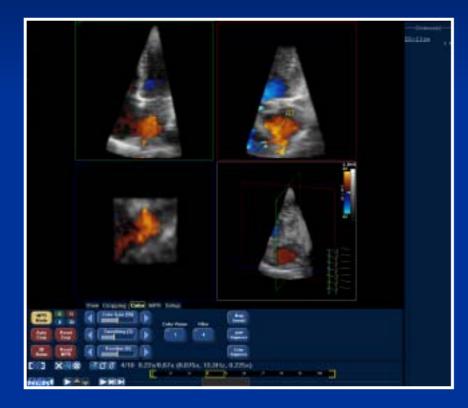
LV Volume

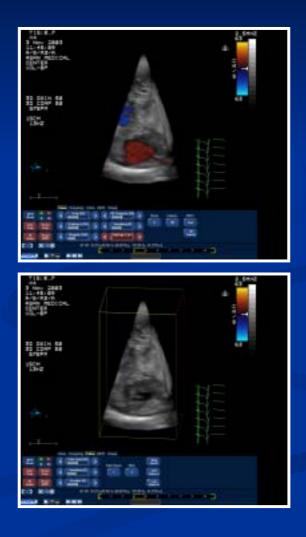
and dysfunctional myocardium





Size of Defect







Better assessment of valves

- Valve morphology
- Stenotic valve orifice
- Regurgitant volume and orifice area
- Mitral valve prolapse
 - Identify prolapsing scallop
 - Measure extent of defect
- Geometric assessment of mitral apparatus
- Differentiate valvular from perivalvular regurgitation



Mitral Stenosis







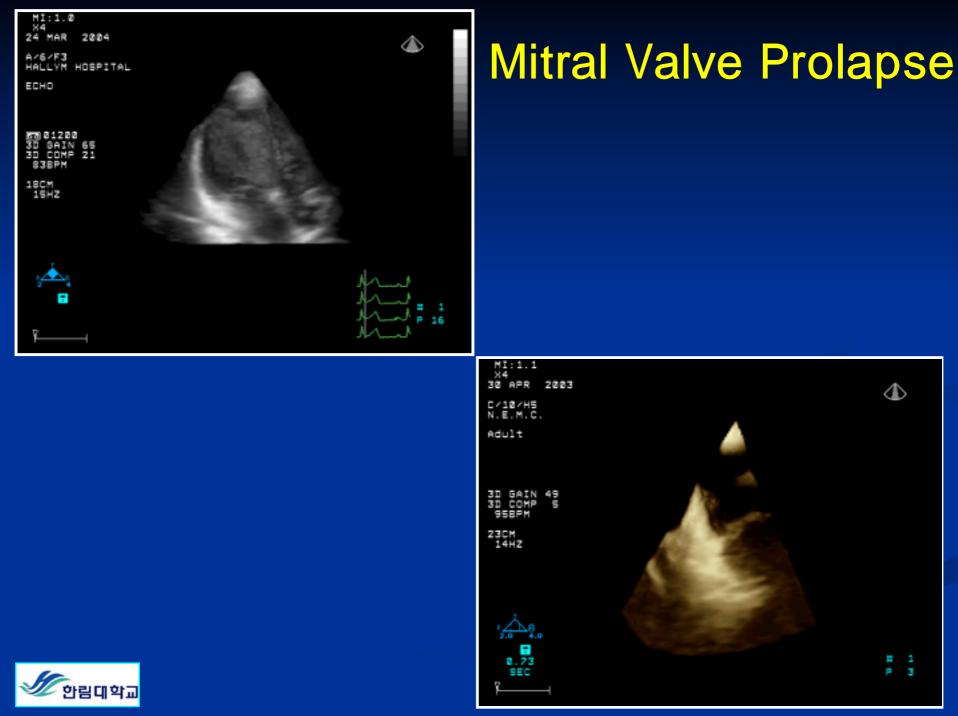
RT3DE for rheumatic mitral valve stenosis evaluation: an accurate and novel approach

- 80 pts(76 women, 50 ± 13.9 years)
- MVA

 by conventional echo - Doppler method, RT3DE and invasive Gorlin's formula
 RT3DE: best agreement with invasive one
 Valvular score evaluation: better interobserver agreement with 3DE

Feasible, accurate and highly reproducible technique for assessing MVA





Usefulness of RT3DE in the assessment of degenerative mitral valve insufficiency before surgical repair: preliminary data and clinical applications

- 22 patients(age: 60 ± 3)
- clinically useful images in all pts
- Improved in 3DE
 - mitral scallops involved in the prolapse and ruptured cordae in flails
 - characterization of the "texture" (myxomatous disease vs fibroelastic deficiency
 - identification of functional "interscallop" clefts, paracommissural lesions and annular shape with a better localization of small mitral annular calcification

Promising in the clinical setting of repair surgery

A. Grimaldi, et al. (2003) Milan, Italy ESC



Usefulness of 3DE for evaluation of MVP

- 25 consecutive pts(15 men, 55 ± 17 years)
- Reconstructed in surgeon's view
- Compared with 2DE
- Sensitivity 75~100 %, Specificity 100%



Abo, K, et al. (2004) J Cardiol 43(1): 17-22

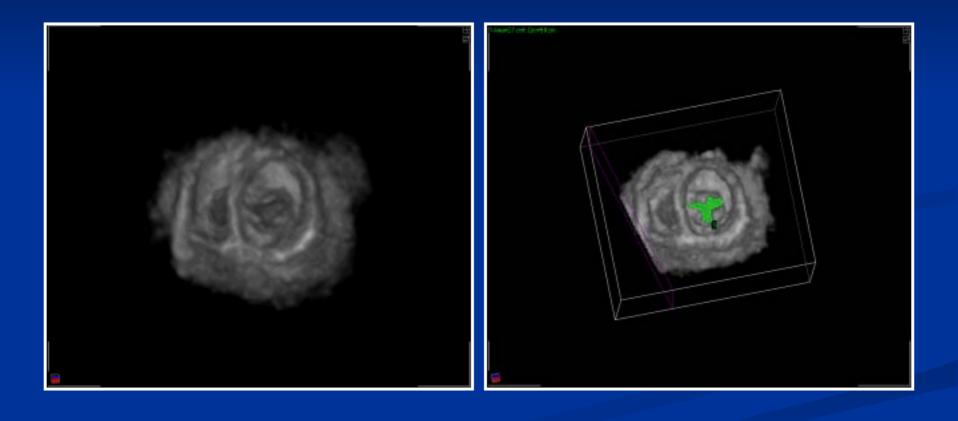
Valve Prosthesis





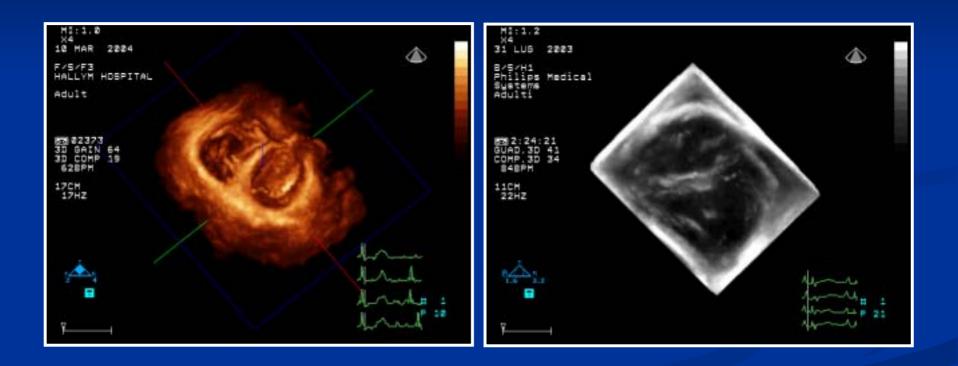


Cleft Mitral Valve

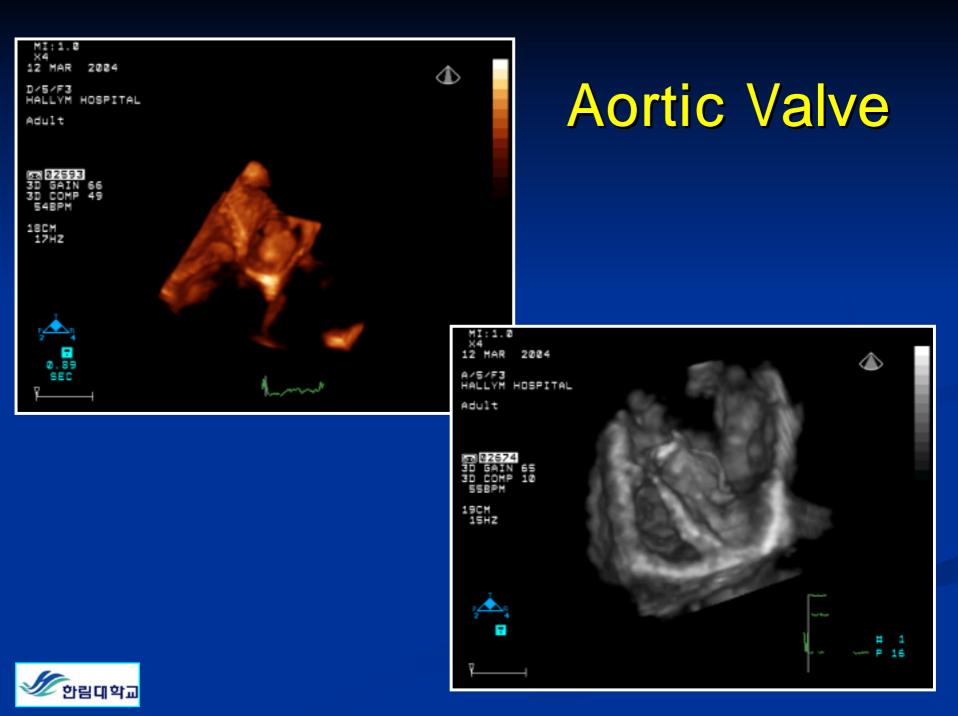




Tricuspid Valve







Usefulness of RT3DE in aortic valve stenosis evaluation

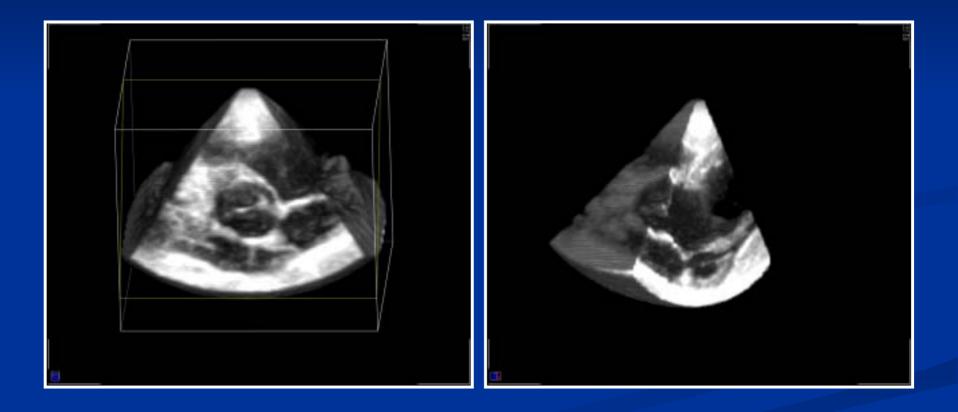
11 pts

AV orifice area: correlated well with intraoperative 3DTEE(r=0.85)

- 4 pts with moderate AS by 2DTTE: confirmed at surgery as severe AS
- Useful complement to the existing modalities due to complete noninvasiveness and 3 dimensional views



Bicuspic Aortic Valve





Color 3DE

Stenotic, regurgitant, or shunt flows
 Location, phase, direction, length, width, area, course and severity
 Enhance quantification
 Coronary artery circulation

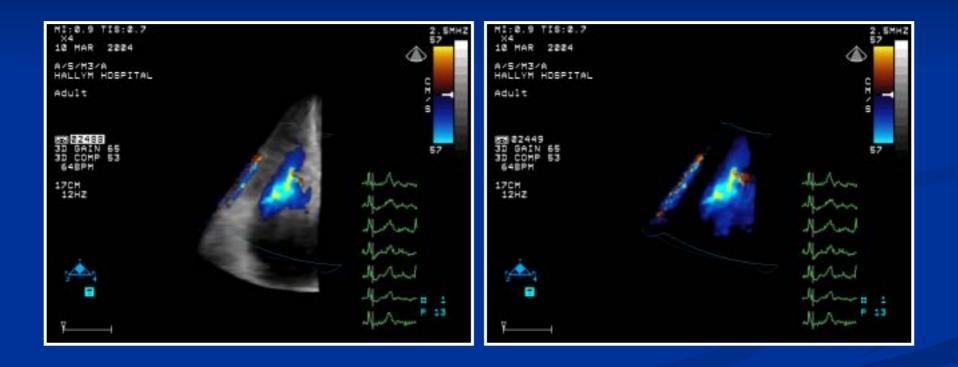


Regurgitations MR, AR, TR

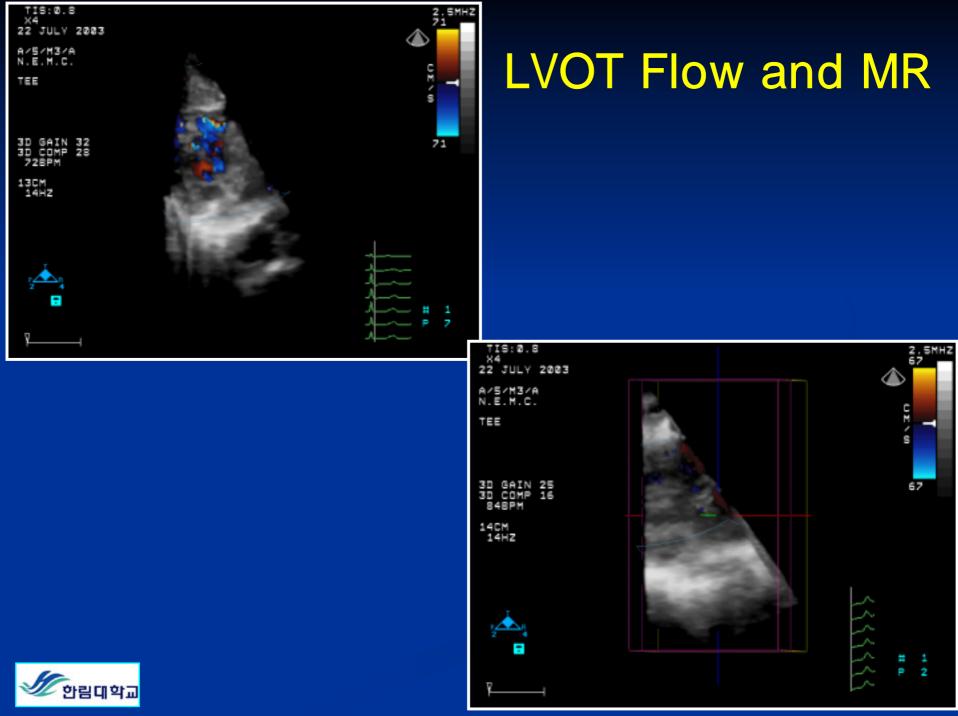




Tricuspid Regurgitation







Shunt Flow





Better catheter guidance in 3D space

- Pericardiocenthesis
- Biopsy
 - transplanted heart, tumor, native heart
- PMV(percutaneous mitral balloon valvuloplasty)
- Non-invasive therapeutic procedures
 - ASD device closure
 - PLAATO(percutaneous LAA transcatheter occlusion)
- EP lab
 - Where catheter is
 - Calculate distances

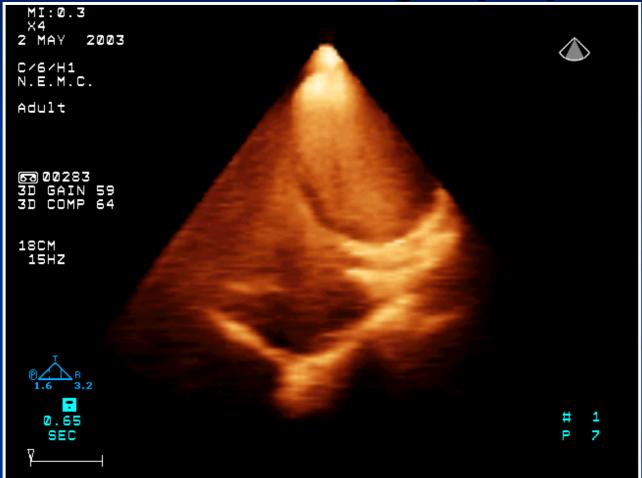


3D Stress Echocardiography

One volume rendered image
Time saving
Any cut-plane



3D Contrast Echocardiography





Limitations

Lack of need
Still off - line quantification
Hemodynamic assessment
Artifacts
Big probe



Comparison of RT3DE with conventional 2DE in the assessment of structural heart disease

- 106 pts
- Diagnosis on the basis of 2D findings
- Graded as
 - A, new finding; 7%
 B, useful anatomic perspective; 18%
 C, equivalent; 61%
 D, missed; 14% Suboptimal image quality in 47%

Useful anatomic insight in MV disease and CHD



in 61%

RT3DE as the Primary Mode of Echocardiographic Imaging in Routine Daily Clinical Practice: Experience in 500 Patients

Adult and pediatric pts

Both physicians and sonographers

visualize all major pathology

stenotic valves, prolapsing and flail MV, Ebsteins anamoly, ASD and VSD, Fallot's tetrology, HCM and DCM, ventricular aneurysm, clot and tumor, pericardial effusions, etc.

Novel on-line cut-planes

Time added to examination was less 10 min
 easy performance and navigation



Future directions

Larger volume rendered image
 Rapid and easy quantitation

 Automatic border detection technique

 Stress and Contrast 3DE
 Interventional fields
 Real-time 3D TEE



Conclusions

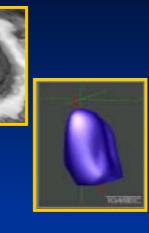
Important breakthrough in the field of ultrasonic medicine
Complementary to 2DE
More useful in the diagnosis and assessment of wide range of cardiovascular disease



Real-time Multidimensional Echocardiography

Morphology

Function



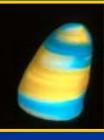
Flow dynamics

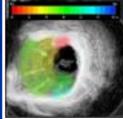


Perfusion



Mechanics









Thank You !

