

Surface Deformation Techniques



CS 468, Spring 2013

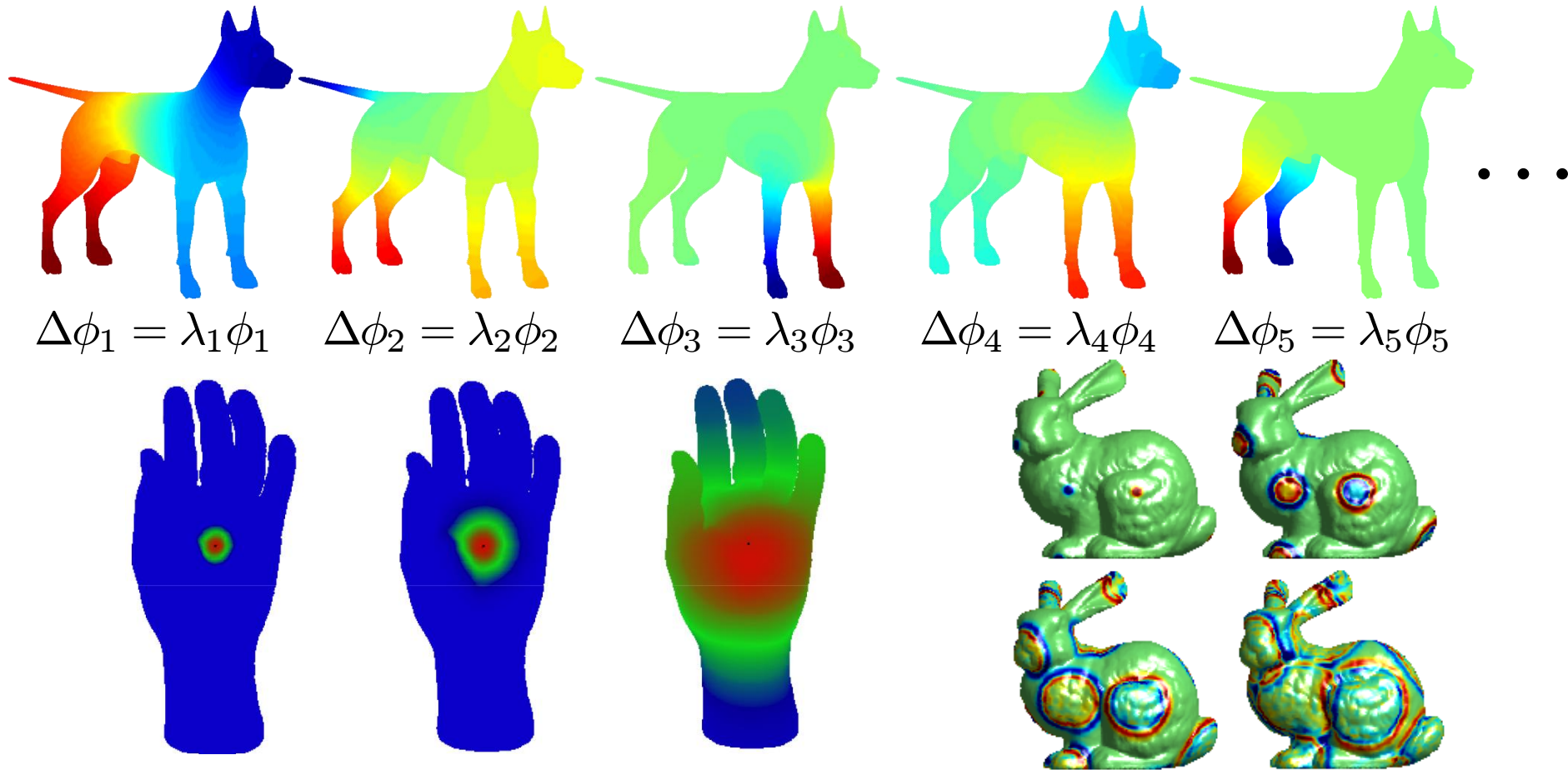
Differential Geometry for Computer Science

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End of Course Approaching!

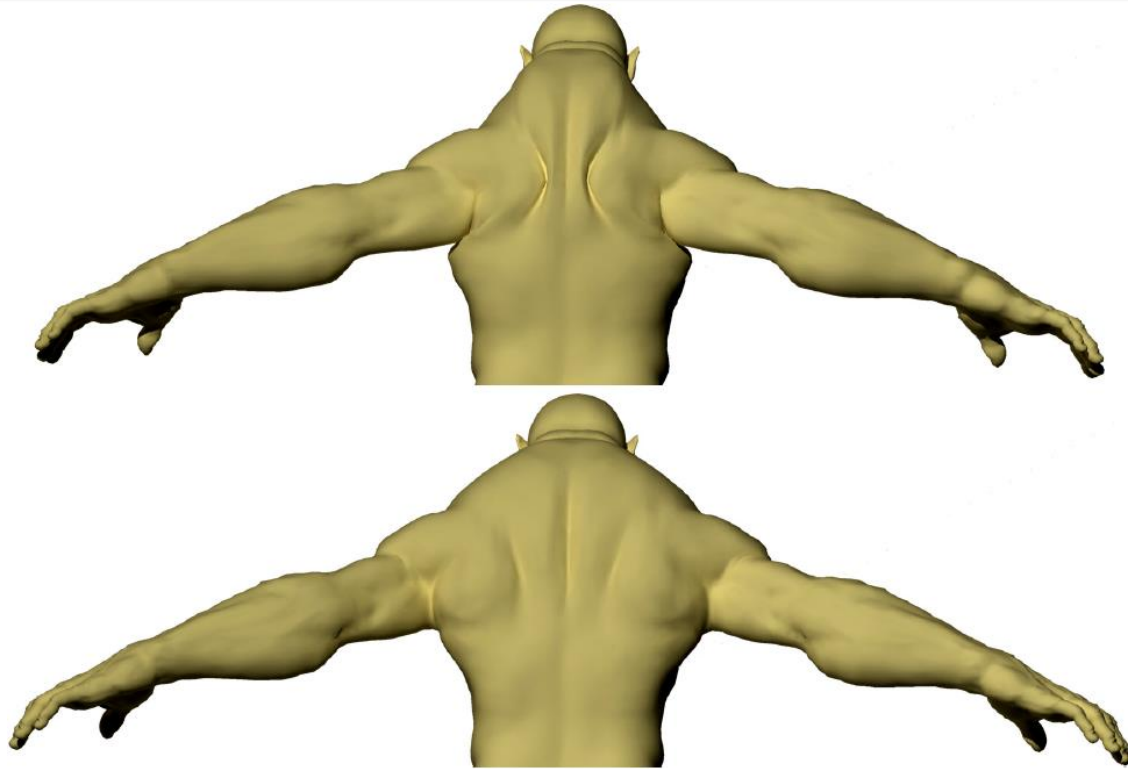
- **Homework 4:** June 5
- **Project:** June 6
- **Scribe notes:** One week after, June 6 at latest
- **Course reviews**

Until Now



Mostly static geometry

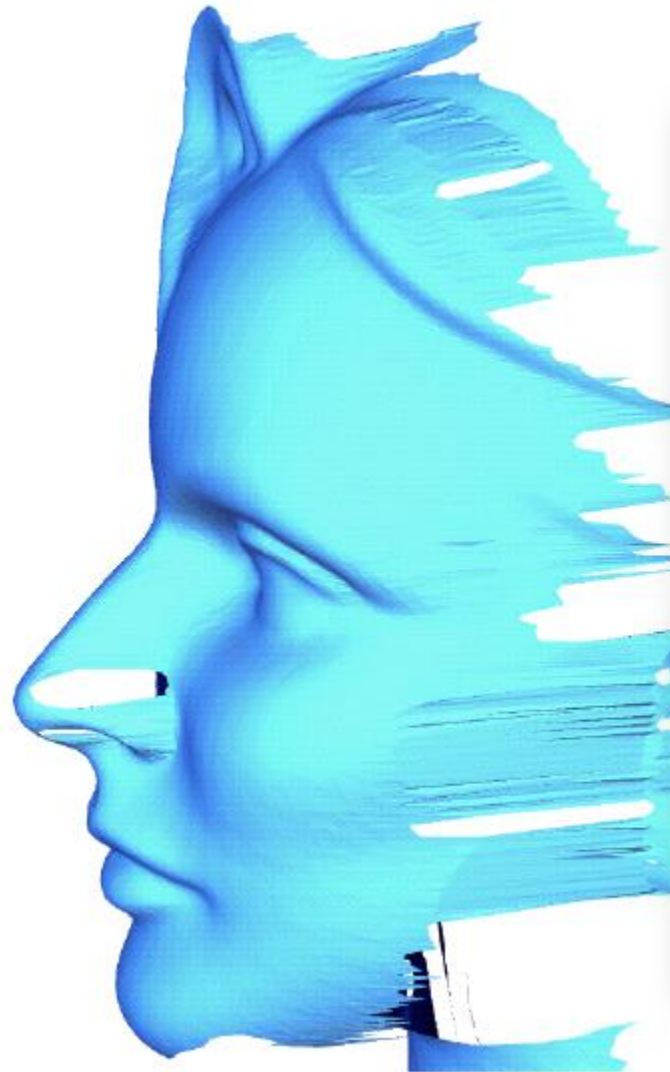
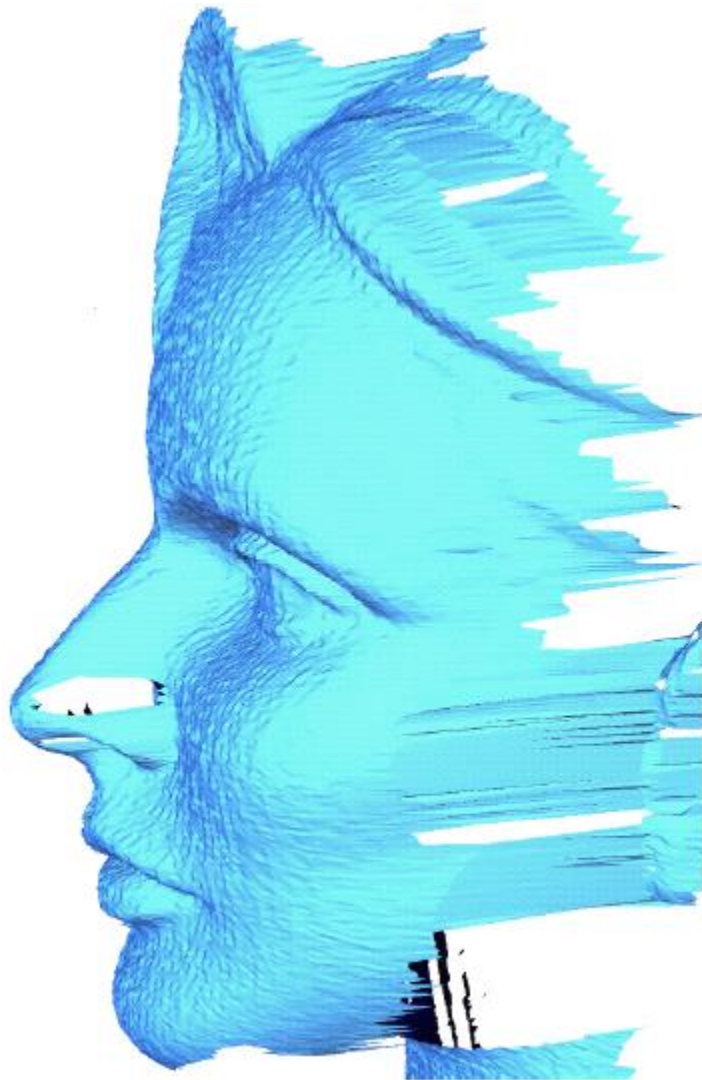
Designing Flexible Surfaces



<http://igl.ethz.ch/projects/skinning/context-aware-deformation/context-aware-skinning-def.pdf>

**Articulation, skinning, etc. are
difficult and repetitive**

Less Obvious: Smoothing



Recall:

Theoretical Viewpoint

- **Abstract surface**

Topology plus distances

- **Embedding**

How the surface sits in R^3

Change one, the other, or both

Most Common Technique

Modify embedding directly but
characterize effect on intrinsic
structure.

Near-isometry, conformality, elastic...

Example: Mean Curvature Flow

$$\frac{d\phi_t}{dt} = H_t N_t = -\Delta_t \vec{x}_t$$



$$\frac{\vec{x}_{i+1} - \vec{x}_i}{\delta t} = -\Delta_i \vec{x}_{i+i}$$

Homework 3



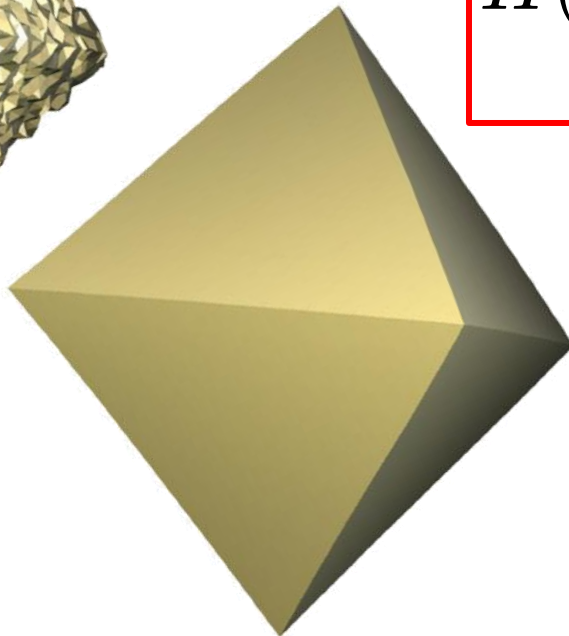
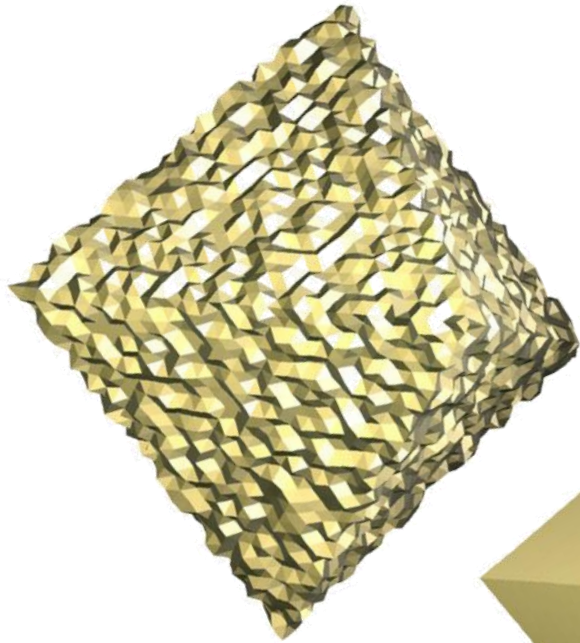
“Implicit Fairing of Irregular Meshes”

Desbrun, Meyer, Schroder, Barr; SIGGRAPH '99

Change embedding

Variation: Anisotropic MC Flow

$$w_{\lambda,r}(H) \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } |H| \leq \lambda \\ \frac{\lambda^2}{r(\lambda - |H|)^2 + \lambda^2}, & \text{for } |H| > \lambda \end{cases}$$



$$\vec{H}(p) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{e=pq} w(H_e) H_e \vec{N}_e$$

“Anisotropic Filtering of Non-Linear
Surface Features”

Hildebrandt, Polthier

Eurographics 2004

Explicit Integration Strategy

```
AnisotropicSmoothing (M,  $\lambda$ , s, n)
  for (steps=1... n)
     $\Delta_\lambda = 0$ 
    for each edge  $e = (v_i, v_j)$ 
      compute  $H_e, N_e$ 
       $\Delta_\lambda[v_i]^- = (w_\lambda(H_e) H_e) * N_e$ 
       $\Delta_\lambda[v_j]^- = (w_\lambda(H_e) H_e) * N_e$ 
    for each triangle  $t = (v_i, v_j, v_k)$ 
      compute  $area_t$ 
       $areaStar[v_i] += area_t$ 
       $areaStar[v_j] += area_t$ 
       $areaStar[v_k] += area_t$ 
    for each vertex  $v$ 
       $v^+ = 3s / (2areaStar[v]) * \Delta_\lambda[v]$ 
  return M
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Weighted
Laplacian

Lumped area
weights

Explicit time
step

Prescribed MC Flow

By definition, mean curvature flow wants to decrease surface area.

Try to smooth rather than reduce mean curvature.

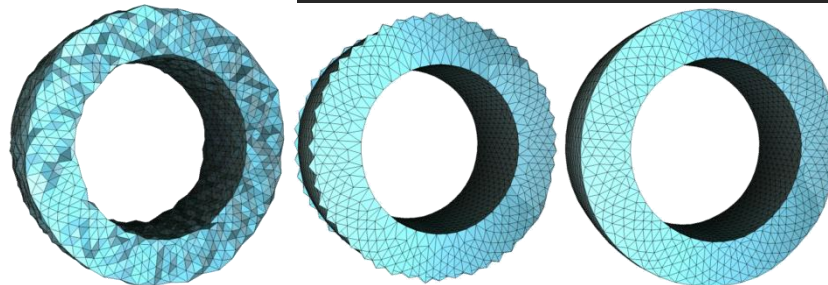
PMC Flow: Idea

$$\frac{d\mathcal{P}}{dt} = -M^{-1}(\vec{H}(\mathcal{P}) - f(\mathcal{P}) \cdot \vec{V}(\mathcal{P}))$$

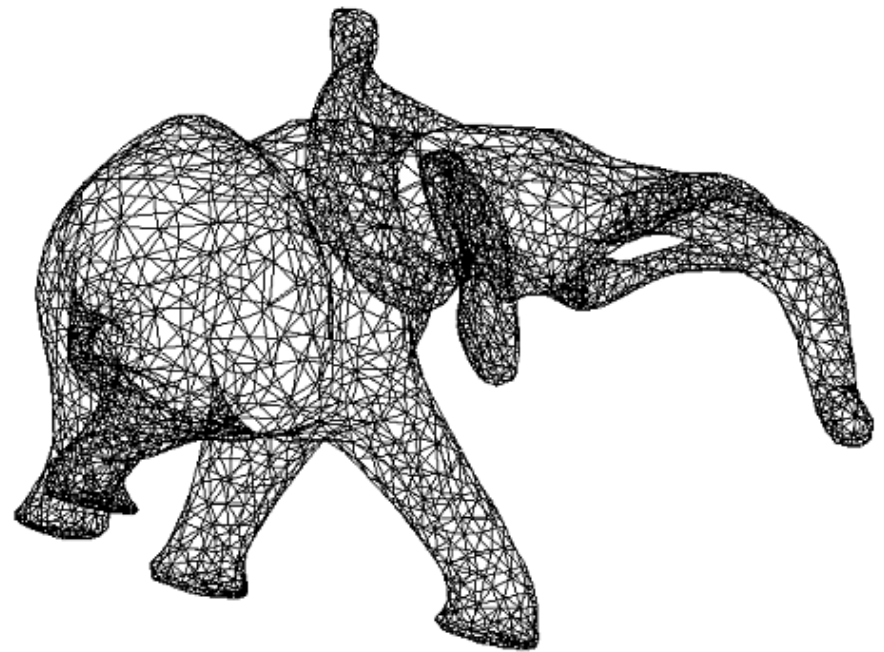
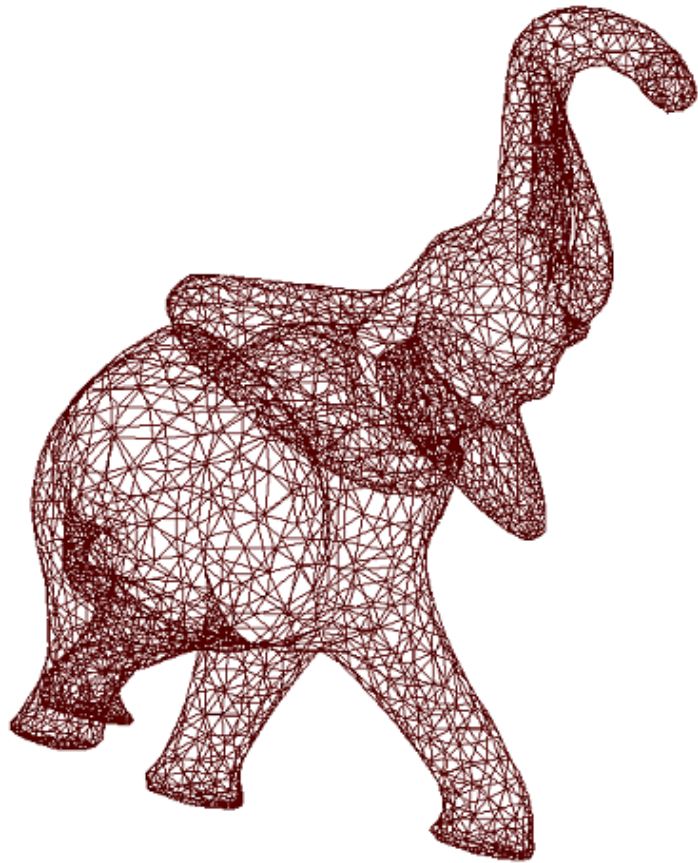
MC normal from
cotangent Laplacian

Smoothed MC target function

Gradient of volume



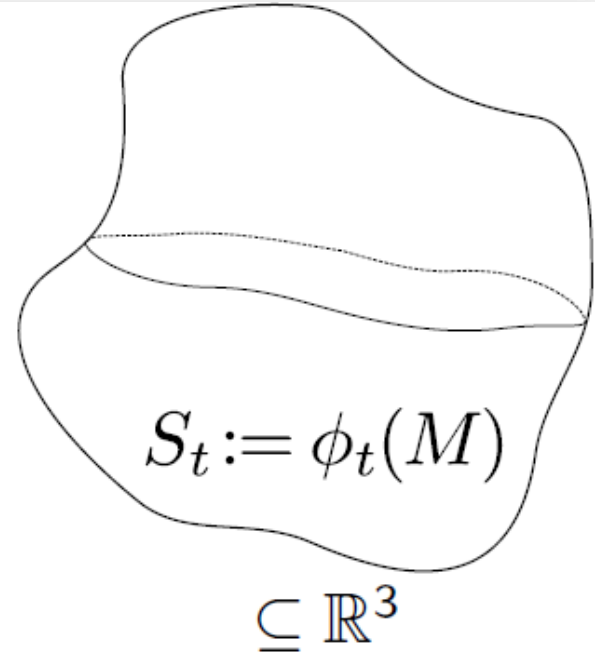
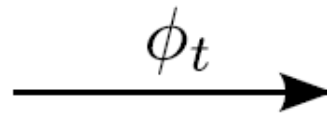
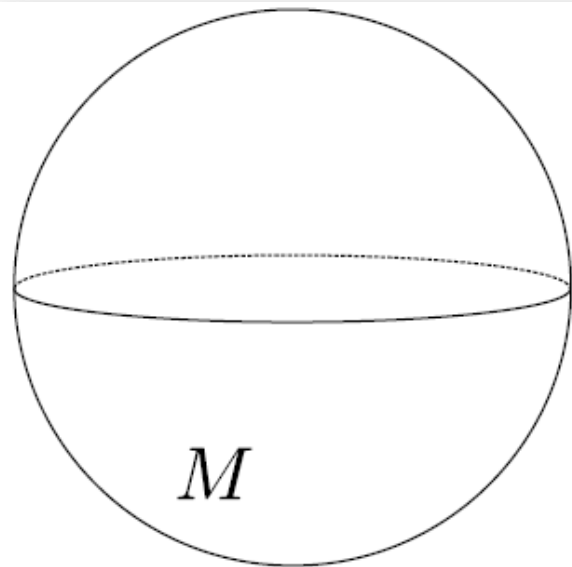
Different Example of Deformation



<http://geometryfactory.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2011/12/deformation.png>

Surface editing

Elasticity: Geometric View



$\delta =$ Euclidean metric

$$g_{original} = \delta$$

$$g_{deformed} = \phi_t^* \delta := D\phi_t^\top D\phi_t$$

i.e. the pullback of δ under ϕ_t

Variational Point of View

$$J(\phi) \equiv \int_S W(x, E(x)) dx$$

Energy measures deformation

Common Energy Terms

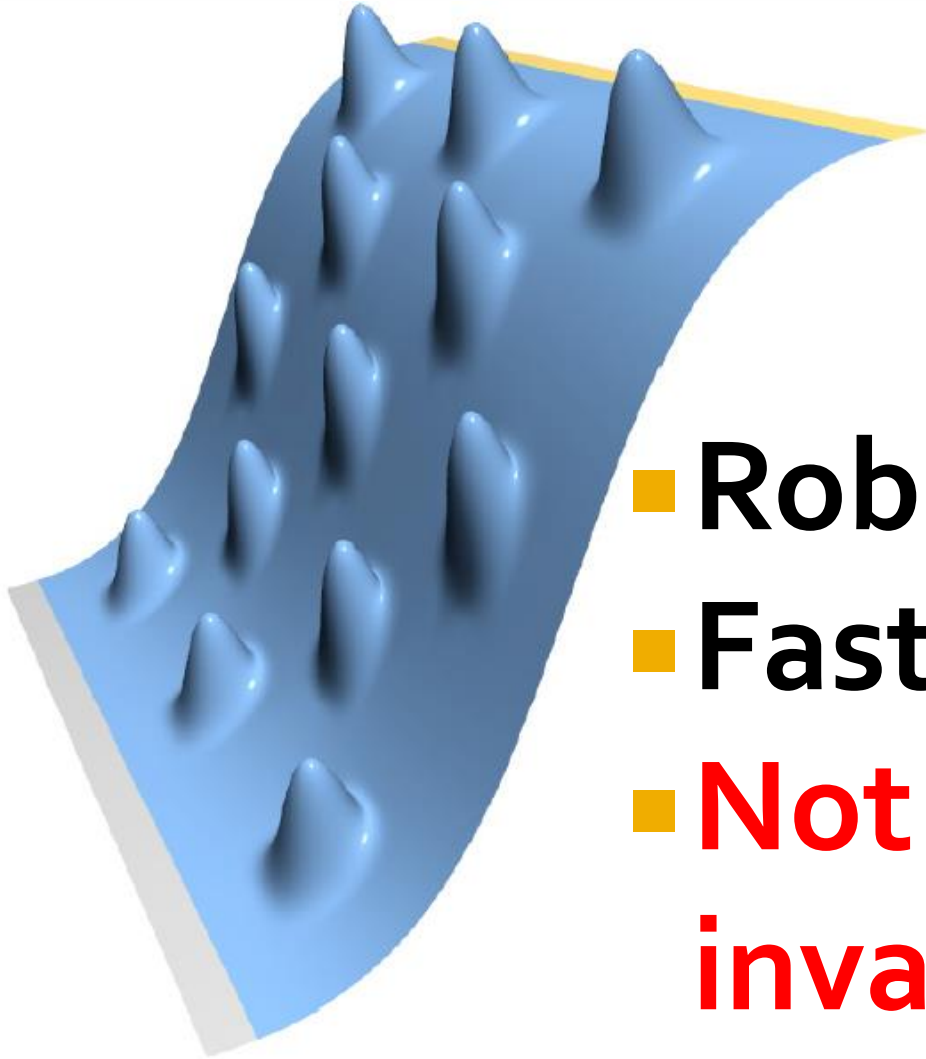


$$E_{\text{bend}} \equiv \int_S \|A_{\text{orig}} - A_{\text{deformed}}\|^2 dx$$



$$E_{\text{stretch}} \equiv \int_S \|g_{\text{orig}} - g_{\text{deformed}}\|^2 dx$$

Result of Linearization



- **Robust**
- **Fast**
- **Not rotation-invariant!**

Linear Approach

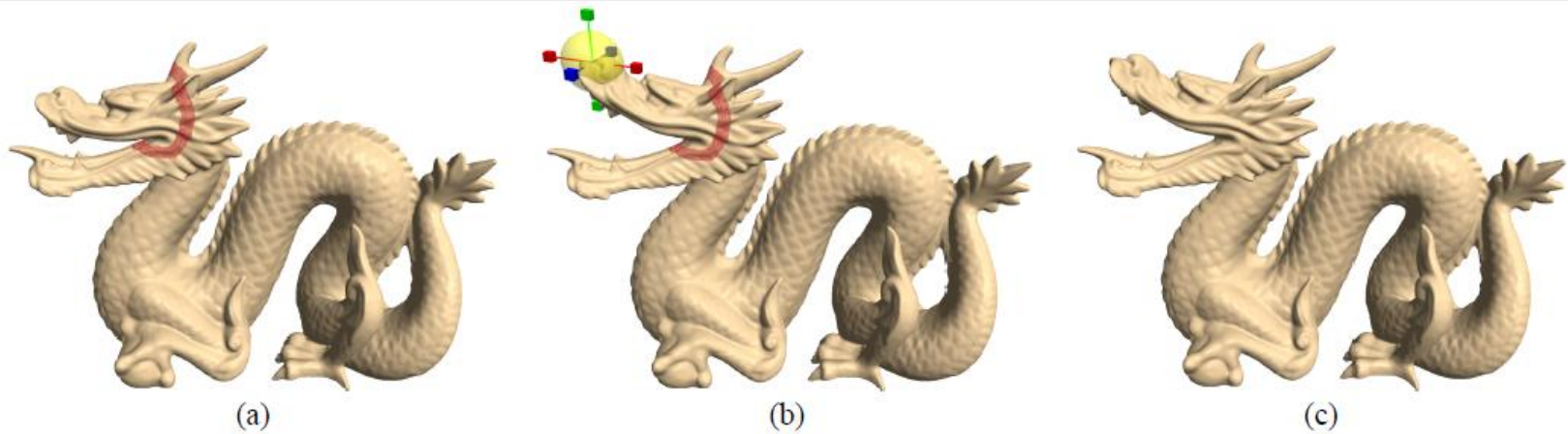


Figure 3: The editing process. (a) The user selects the region of interest – the upper lip of the dragon, bounded by the belt of stationary anchors (in red). (b) The chosen handle (enclosed by the yellow sphere) is manipulated by the user: translated and rotated. (c) The editing result.

“Laplacian Surface Editing”

Sorkine et al.

SGP 2004

Laplacian Coordinates

$$\delta \equiv LV = (I - D^{-1}A)V$$

Poisson equation for V
Approximation of normal

minimize $\sum_i \|\delta_i - L(v'_i)\|^2 + \sum_{i \in C} \|v'_i - u_i\|^2$

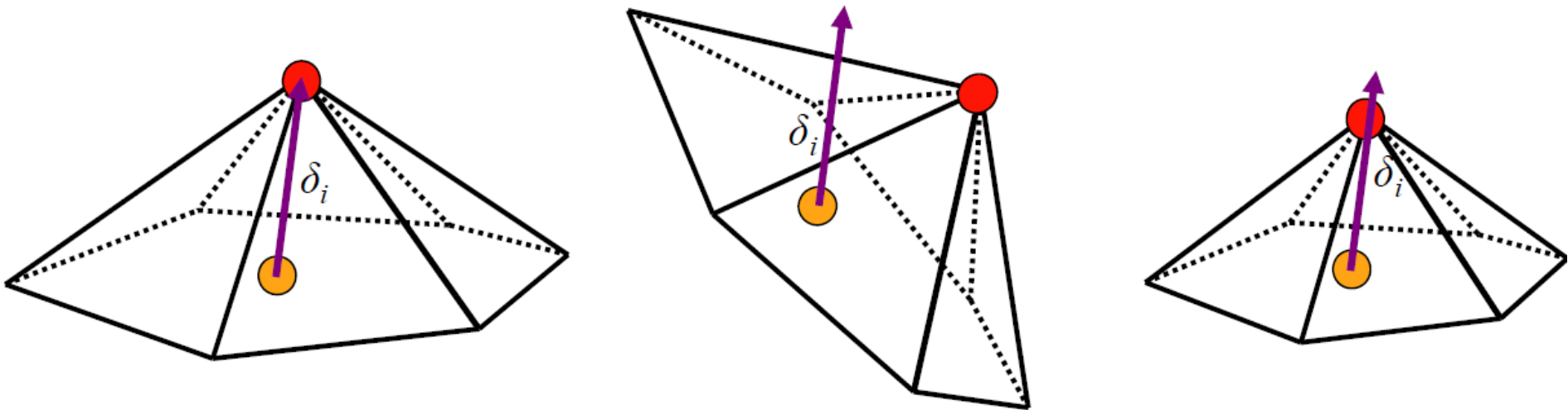
Least squares

Preserve coordinates

Respect user constraints

Translation-invariant coordinates

Problem



http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs468-12-spring/LectureSlides/15_Deformation.pdf

**Normal preservation is not rotation
or scale invariant**

Resolution

$$\text{minimize } \sum_i \|T_i \delta_i - L(v'_i)\|^2 + \sum_{i \in C} \|v'_i - u_i\|^2$$

New variable

Trick: Restrict T to set of desirable transformations (or approximation thereof)

$$M_{sim} = s(\alpha I + \beta H + \gamma \vec{h}^\top \vec{h})$$

Transform source δ with vertices

Linear Approximation

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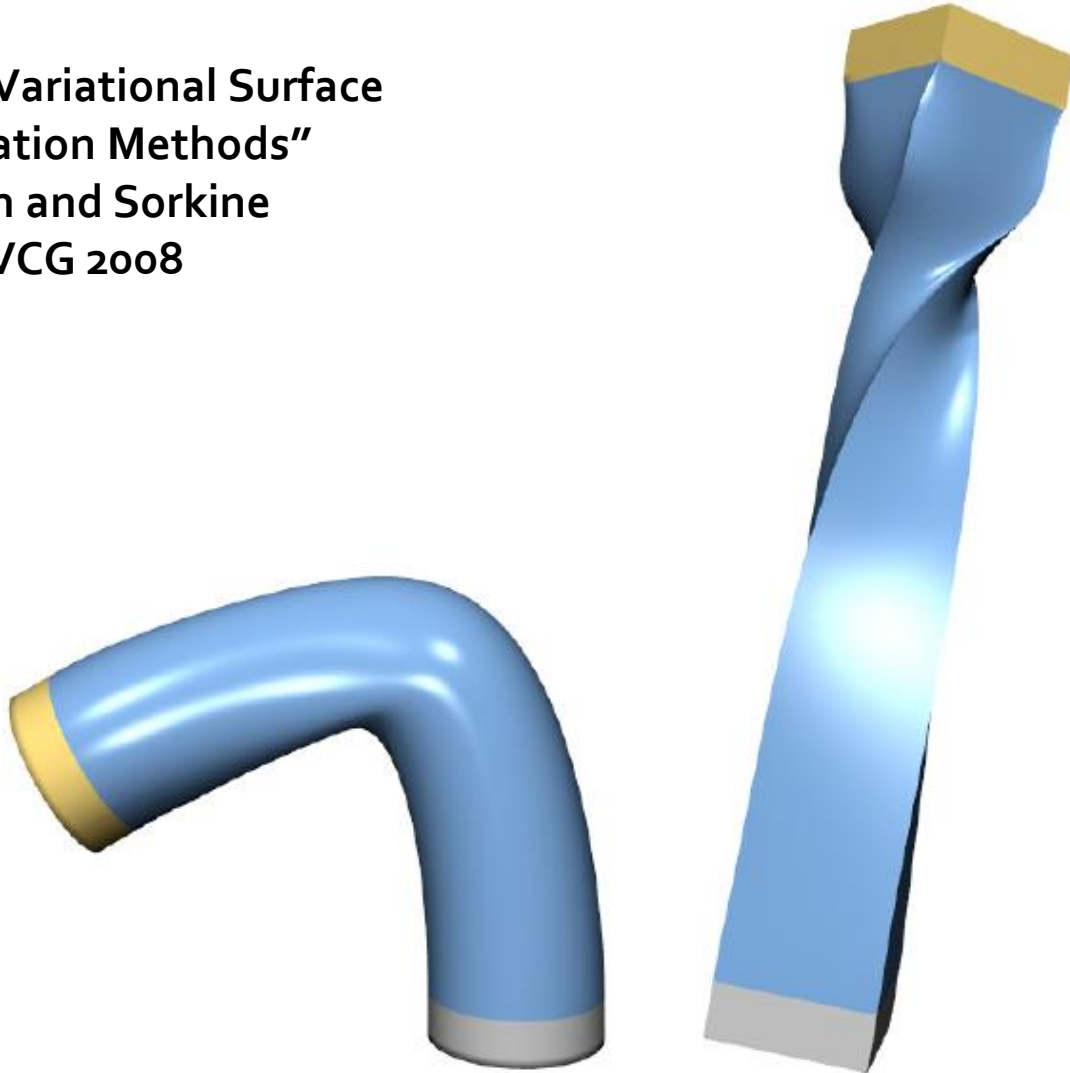
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$$M_{sim} = s(\alpha I + \beta H + \gamma \bar{v} \bar{v}^T)$$

Transform source δ with vertices

Limits of Approximation

“On Linear Variational Surface
Deformation Methods”
Botsch and Sorkine
TVCG 2008



Nonlinear Approach

To appear at the Eurographics Symposium on Geometry Processing (2007)
Alexander Belyaev, Michael Garland (Editors)

As-Rigid-As-Possible Surface Modeling

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Abstract

Modeling tasks, such as surface deformation and editing, can be analyzed by observing the local behavior of the surface. We argue that defining a modeling operation by asking for rigidity of the local transformations is useful in various settings. Such formulation leads to a non-linear, yet conceptually simple energy formulation, which is to be minimized by the deformed surface under particular modeling constraints. We devise a simple iterative mesh editing scheme based on this principle, that leads to detail-preserving and intuitive deformations. Our algorithm is effective and notably easy to implement, making it attractive for practical modeling applications.

Categories and Subject Descriptors (according to ACM CCS): I.3.5 [Computer Graphics]: Computational Geometry and Object Modeling – geometric algorithms, languages, and systems

As-Rigid-As-Possible

Want:

For each cell C_i around vertex i

$$p'_i - p'_j = R_i(p_i - p_j) \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{N}(i)$$

Rotation

Center

Neighbor

Try to enforce local isometry

ARAP Cell Energy

Pointwise
Laplacian

$$E(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}'_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \|(p'_i - p'_j) - R_i(p_i - p_j)\|^2$$

$$E(\mathcal{S}') = \sum_i w_i E(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}'_i)$$

Area
weight

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Area
weight

**Still
nonlinear!**

Alternating Approach

$$E(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}'_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \| \overset{\circ}{(p'_i)} - \overset{\circ}{p'_j} - R_i \overset{\circ}{p_i} - \overset{\circ}{p_j} \| ^2$$

$$E(\mathcal{S}') = \sum_i w_i E(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}'_i)$$

Poisson equation!

Vertex positions: Linear

Alternating Approach

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{R_i} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \|e'_{ij} - R_i e_{ij}\|^2 &= \arg \max_{R_i} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} e'_{ij}{}^\top R_i e_{ij} \\ &= \arg \max_{R_i} \operatorname{Tr} \left(R_i \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} e_{ij} e'_{ij}{}^\top \right) \\ &= \arg \max_{R_i} \operatorname{Tr} (R_i S_i) \end{aligned}$$

$$S_i = U \Sigma V^\top$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Tr}(R_i S_i) &= \operatorname{Tr}(R_i U \Sigma V^\top) = \operatorname{Tr}(V^\top R_i U \Sigma) \\ &= \operatorname{Tr}(\tilde{R} \Sigma) = \operatorname{diag} \tilde{R} \cdot \operatorname{diag} \Sigma \end{aligned}$$

$$\cdot \sum \sigma_i \text{ for } \tilde{R} = I$$

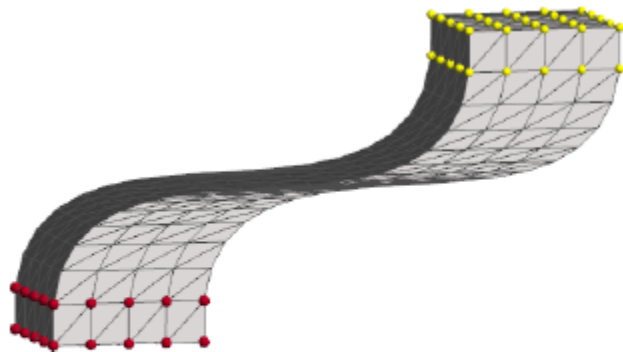
$$\tilde{R} = I \Rightarrow R_i = V U^\top$$

Rotation matrices: SVD

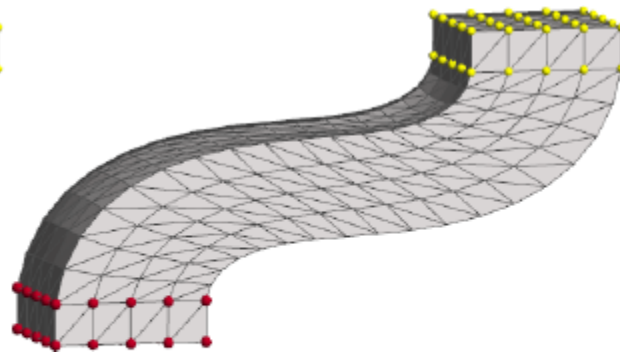
Modeling

- **Vertices fixed** by user
- **Initialize** optimization with simpler method
- **Alternating** optimization

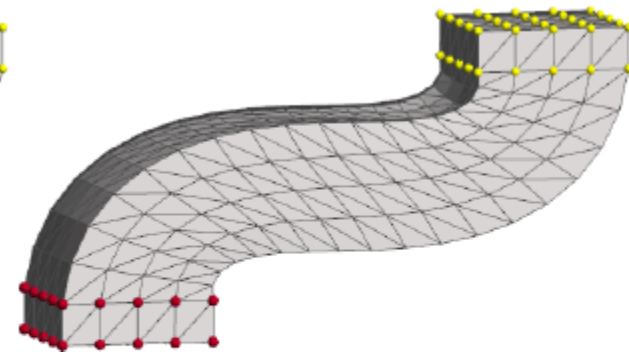
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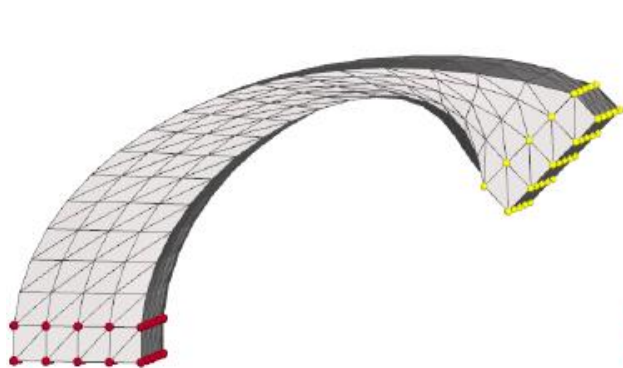
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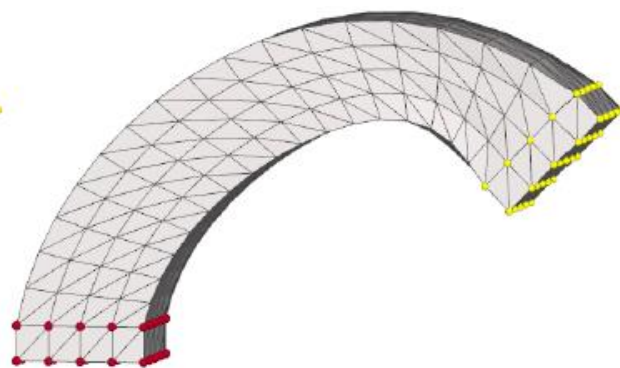
1 iteration



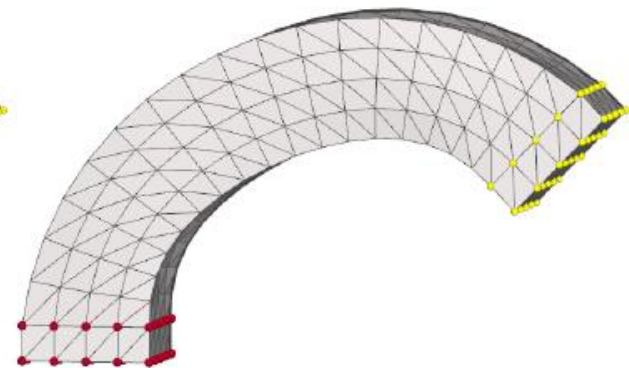
2 iterations



initial guess

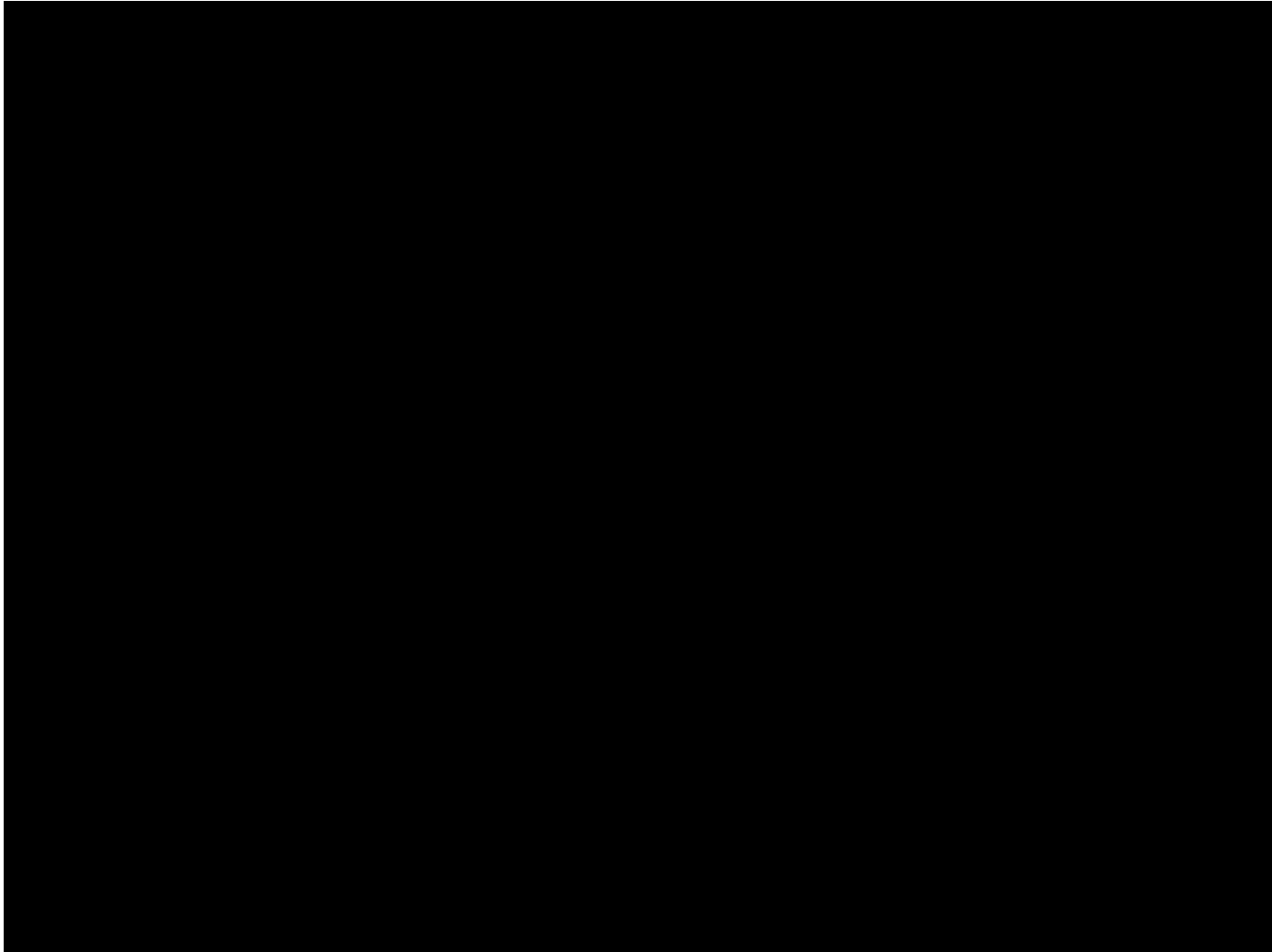


1 iteration



4 iterations

Results



Willmore Energy

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{W} &\equiv \int_S H^2 dA - \int_S K dA \\ &= \int_S \|\Delta \vec{x}\|^2 dA - 2\pi\chi(S) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_S (\kappa_1 - \kappa_2)^2 dA\end{aligned}$$

Conformal-invariant bending energy

Research Opportunity

mathoverflow

Questions

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Ask Question

Tweetable way to see that Willmore energy is Möbius invariant?

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The Willmore energy $\mathcal{W} = \int_M H^2 dA$ differs from the functional

$$\tilde{\mathcal{W}} = \int_M (H^2 - K) dA$$

just by a constant as one can see from the Gauss - Bonnet theorem (K here is the Gaussian curvature of M).

The expression $H^2 - K$ in $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$ is the half of the square of the length of the *trace-free part of the second fundamental form* which is a (pointwise) conformally invariant density of conformal weight -2 , while " dA " can be seen as a density with conformal weight 2 , so the entire integrand $(H^2 - K)dA$ is independent of a choice of a metric.

Thus $\tilde{\mathcal{W}}$ is manifestly conformally, and in particular, Möbius invariant. So is \mathcal{W} .

(A Liouville's theorem ensures that conformal maps of \mathbb{R}^n , $n \geq 3$, are restrictions of Möbius transformations.)

Edit. The above is an attempt to address the original request for a "tweetable" argument.

Of course, the precise statement is that the Willmore energy is conformally invariant with respect to the conformal transformations of the *ambient* space. (Otherwise we would not be able to invoke the Liouville's theorem).

The correct definition of the Willmore energy involves an immersion $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ and the induced conformal structure on the immersed manifold. The Dirac spheres show, in particular, that the Willmore energy does depend on the immersion.

Discretization of Bending Energy

Eurographics Symposium on Geometry Processing (2006)
Konrad Polthier, Alla Sheffer (Editors)

A Quadratic Bending Model for Inextensible Surfaces

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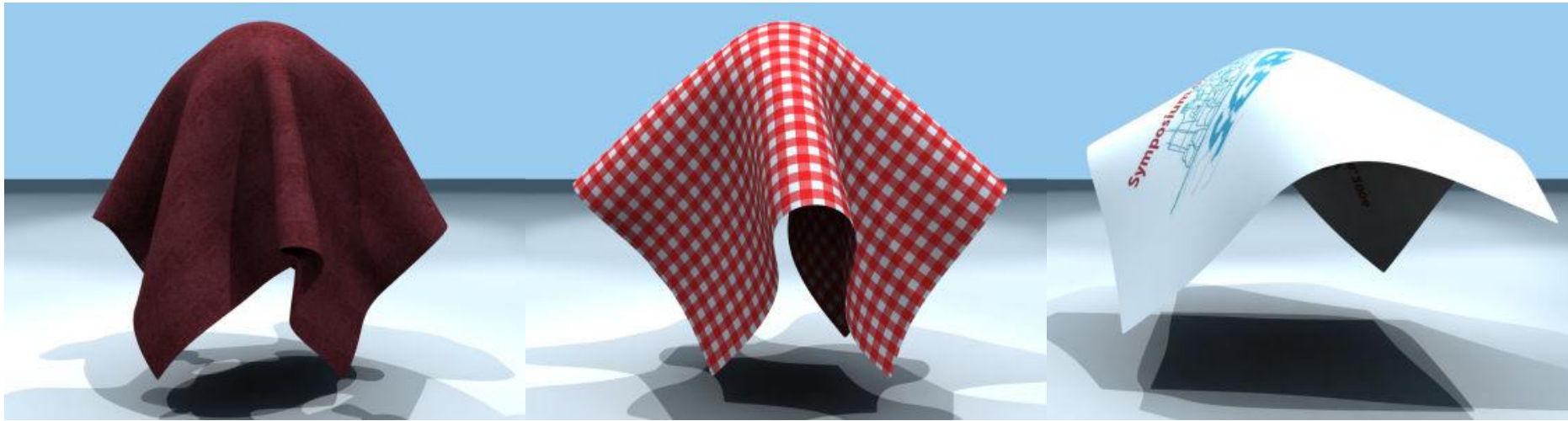
Abstract

Relating the intrinsic Laplacian to the mean curvature normal, we arrive at a model for bending of inextensible surfaces. Due to its constant Hessian, our isometric bending model reduces cloth simulation times up to three fold

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$$E_b = \int_S H^2 dA$$

Application in Dynamics



$$K \equiv 0$$

Desirable Properties

- **Quadratic** in vertex positions
- Invariant under **isometry**
“Isometry” = preserved edge lengths
- Invariant under **rigid motion**
- Invariant under **uniform scaling**

Quadratic Energy

$$E_b = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} Q_{ij} \langle \vec{x}_i, \vec{x}_j \rangle$$

- Q must be **positive semi-definite**
Convex energy
- Q must be constructed from **intrinsic properties**
Edge lengths, interior angles, areas, etc.
- Rows and columns **sum to 0**
By translation invariance

Scale-Based Factorization

$$E_b = \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}_{all}^\top (L^\top M^{-1} L) \vec{x}_{all}$$

Scale-independent

Scaling term

Looks like finite elements.

Observation

If the surface deforms isometrically, then Q is unchanged.

So, pre-factor the Q matrix to simplify solves.

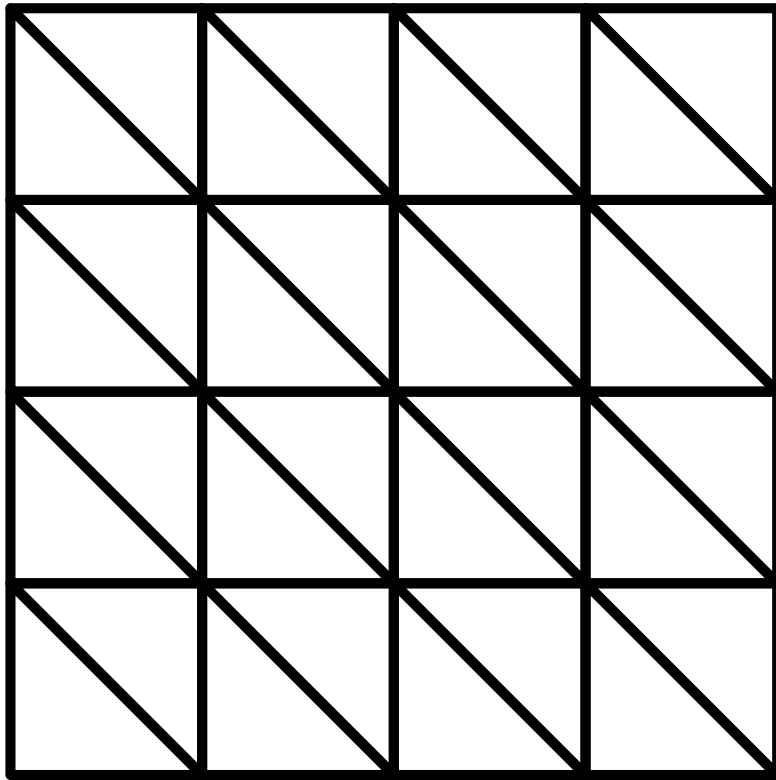
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Hidden Problem: Unresolved



*Connection to
geodesic algorithms?*

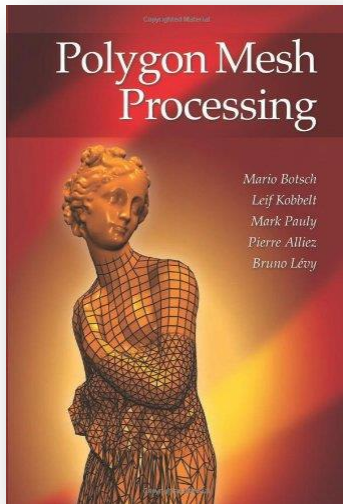
**Fixing edge lengths doesn't always
approximate smooth isometry.**

Three Ideas of Surface Deformation

- **Smoothing and fairing**
- **Static deformation**
- **Dynamic deformation**

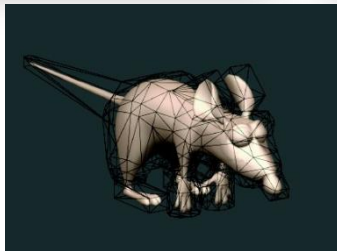
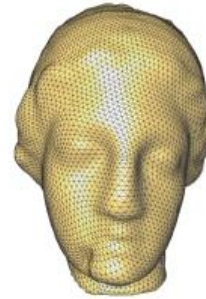
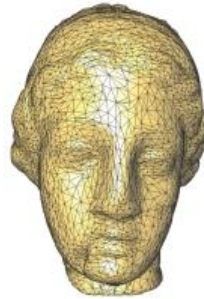
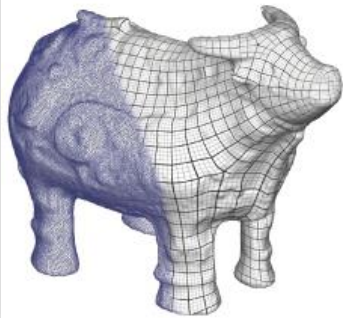
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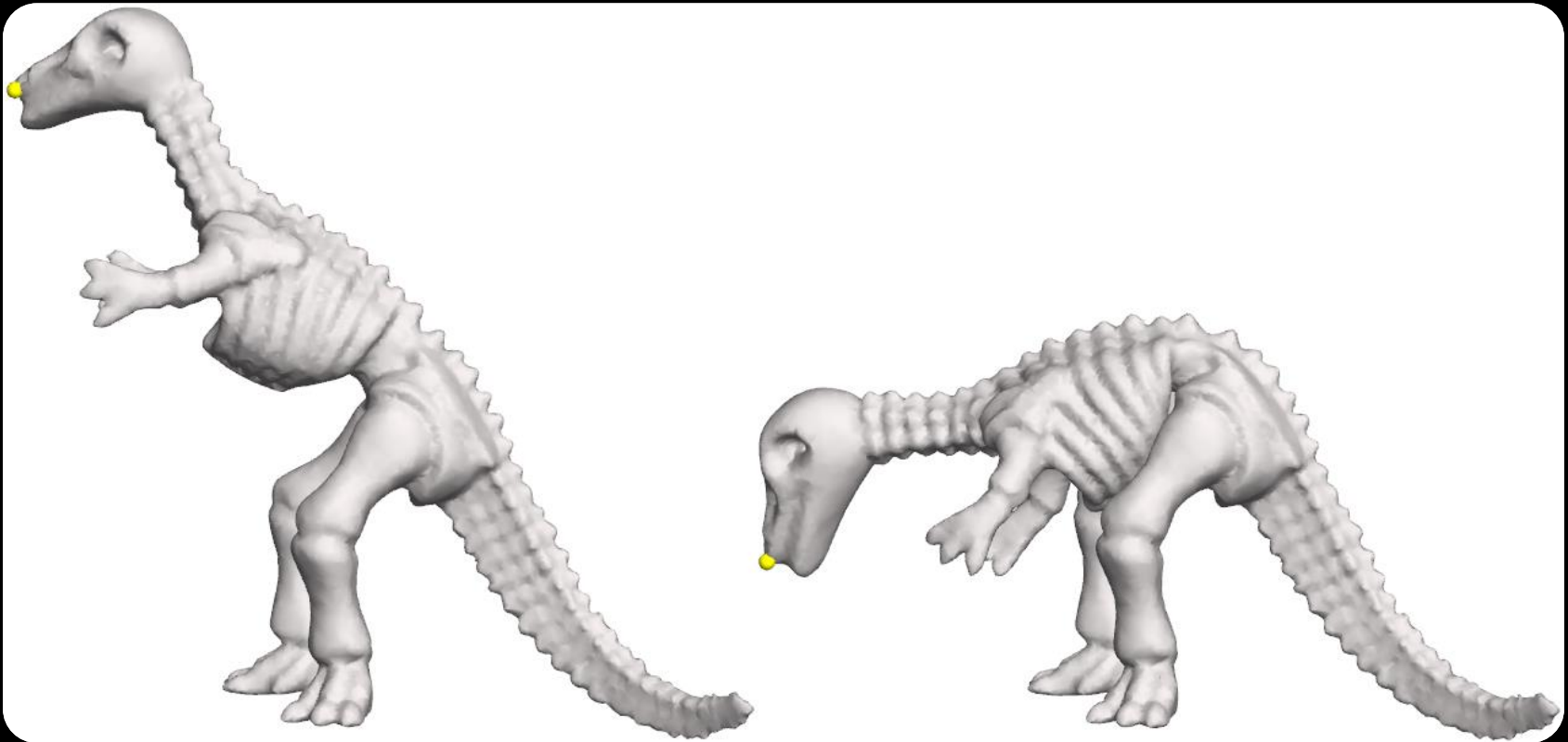
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