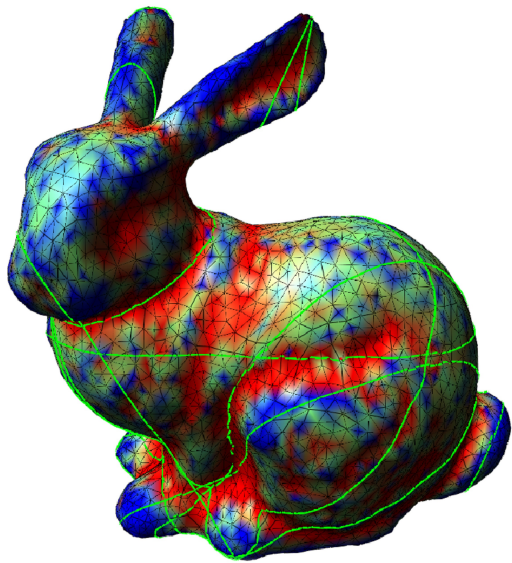


Creating and processing 3D geometry



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Part I – Geometry representations

- **Lecture 1 – Oct 9th – FH**
 - Introduction to the lectures; point sets, meshes, discrete geometry.
- **Lecture 2 – Oct 16th – MPC**
 - Parametric curves and surfaces; subdivision surfaces.
- **Lecture 3 – Oct 23rd - MPC**
 - Implicit surfaces.

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Part II – Geometry processing

- **Lecture 4 – Nov 6th – FH**
 - **Discrete differential geometry; mesh smoothing and simplification (paper presentations).**
- **Lecture 5 – Nov 13th - CG + FH**
 - Mesh parameterization; point set filtering and simplification.
- **Lecture 6 – Nov 20th - FH (1h30)**
 - Surface reconstruction.

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Part III – Interactive modeling

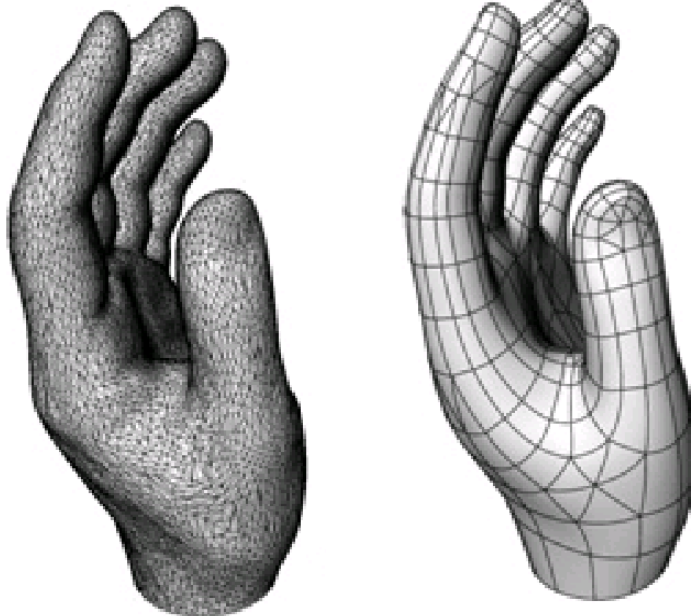
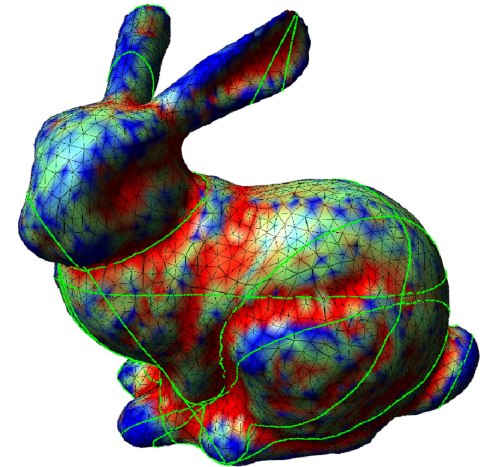
- **Lecture 6 – Nov 20th – MPC (1h30)**
 - Interactive modeling techniques.
- **Lecture 7 – Dec 04th - MPC**
 - Deformations; virtual sculpting.
- **Lecture 8 – Dec 11th - MPC**
 - Sketching; **paper presentations.**

Discrete differential geometry

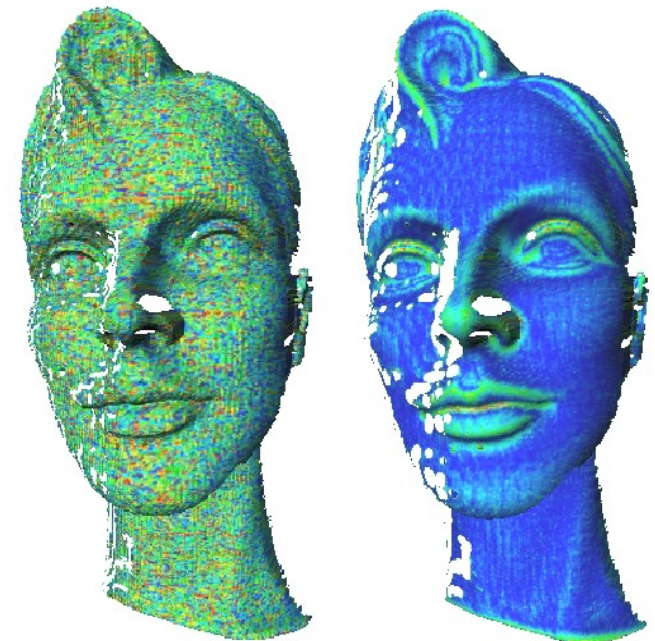
- Discrete surface: not smooth
- Assumption:
mesh = **piecewise linear approx.** of a (real) smooth surface
- Goal:
find approximations of the differential properties of the underlying smooth surface

Applications

- Segmentation
- Remeshing
- Denoising or smoothing
- ...



Courtesy P. Alliez



Courtesy M. Meyer

Books

- **M. Botsch et al.**, “Geometric Modeling Based on Polygonal Meshes”, SIGGRAPH 2007 Course Notes, chapters 5 and 6.

<http://graphics.ethz.ch/~mbotsch/publications/sg07-course.pdf>

http://graphics.ethz.ch/~mbotsch/publications/meshcourse07_code.tgz

- **M. Desbrun et al.**, “Discrete Differential Geometry: An Applied Introduction”, SIGGRAPH 2006 Course Notes

<http://ddg.cs.columbia.edu/SIGGRAPH06/DDGCourse2006.pdf>

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2. Discrete curvatures
3. Ridges and ravines
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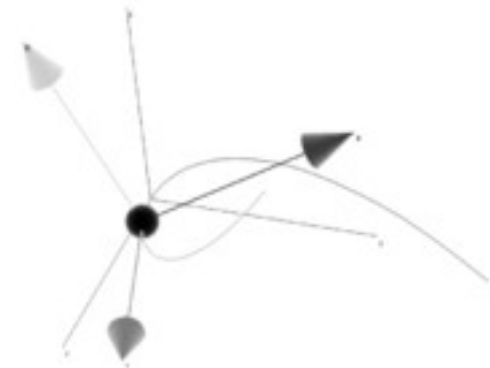
Differential geometry of a smooth curve

- γ smooth parametric curve: $\gamma : I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

- Frenet vectors/frame:

$$\mathbf{e}_1(t) = \frac{\gamma'(t)}{\|\gamma'(t)\|}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_j(t) = \frac{\bar{\mathbf{e}}_j(t)}{\|\bar{\mathbf{e}}_j(t)\|}, \quad \bar{\mathbf{e}}_j(t) = \gamma^{(j)}(t) - \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \langle \gamma^{(j)}(t), \mathbf{e}_i(t) \rangle \mathbf{e}_i(t)$$



- The first 3 vectors are called the **tangent**, **normal** and **binormal** vectors

- If $n=3$, $\mathbf{e}_3(t) = \mathbf{e}_2(t) \times \mathbf{e}_1(t)$

Curvature of a smooth curve

- Generalized curvature:

$$\chi_i(t) = \frac{\langle \mathbf{e}'_i(t), \mathbf{e}_{i+1}(t) \rangle}{\|\gamma'(t)\|}$$

- Curvature:

$$\kappa(t) = \chi_1(t) = \frac{\langle \mathbf{e}'_1(t), \mathbf{e}_2(t) \rangle}{\|\gamma'(t)\|}$$

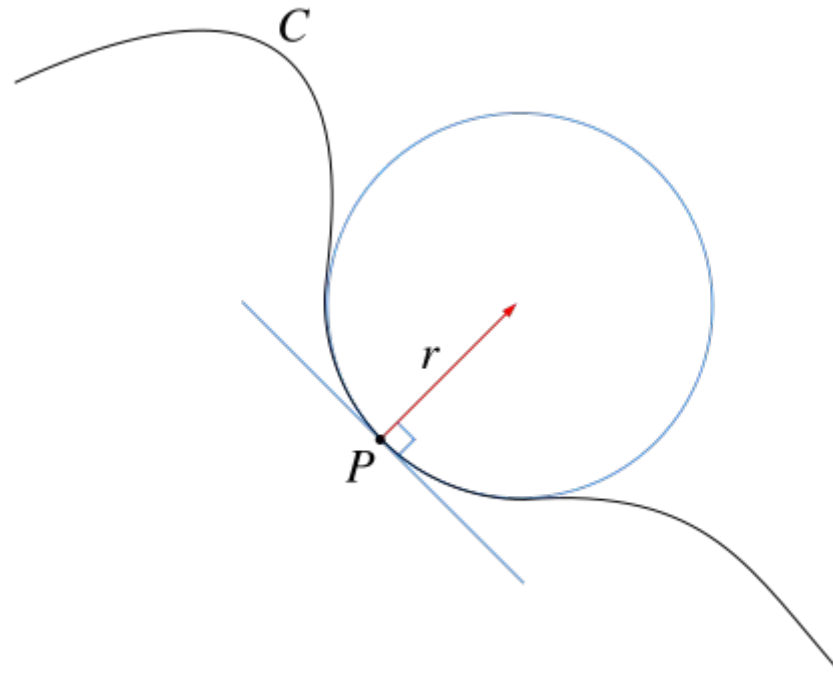
- Deviance from being a straight line

- Torsion:

$$\tau(t) = \chi_2(t) = \frac{\langle \mathbf{e}'_2(t), \mathbf{e}_3(t) \rangle}{\|\gamma'(t)\|}$$

- Deviance from being a plane curve

Curvature of a plane curve



- $r =$ curvature radius at $P = 1/\kappa(P)$
- Osculating circle
- Exercise: $\gamma(t) = (K.\cos(t), K.\sin(t))$, $r = ?$

Differential geometry of a smooth surface

- S smooth parametric surface:

$$\mathbf{x}(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} x(u, v) \\ y(u, v) \\ z(u, v) \end{pmatrix}, (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

- Partial derivatives noted \mathbf{x}_u and \mathbf{x}_v
- Second partial derivatives noted \mathbf{x}_{uu} etc.
- **Normal vector:** $\mathbf{n} = (\mathbf{x}_u \times \mathbf{x}_v) / \|\mathbf{x}_u \times \mathbf{x}_v\|$

Fundamental forms

- First fundamental form:

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_u^T \mathbf{x}_u & \mathbf{x}_u^T \mathbf{x}_v \\ \mathbf{x}_u^T \mathbf{x}_v & \mathbf{x}_v^T \mathbf{x}_v \end{bmatrix}$$

- Second fundamental form:

$$\mathbf{II} = \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ f & g \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{uu}^T \mathbf{n} & \mathbf{x}_{uv}^T \mathbf{n} \\ \mathbf{x}_{uv}^T \mathbf{n} & \mathbf{x}_{vv}^T \mathbf{n} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Weingarten map/Shape operator:

$$\mathbf{W} := \frac{1}{EG - F^2} \begin{bmatrix} eG - fF & fG - gF \\ fE - eF & gE - fF \end{bmatrix}$$

Curvatures

- Principal directions and principal curvatures:

$$\mathbf{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{t}}_1 & \bar{\mathbf{t}}_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \kappa_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{t}}_1 & \bar{\mathbf{t}}_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

- Mean curvature:

$$H = \frac{\kappa_1 + \kappa_2}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \text{trace}(\mathbf{W})$$

- Gaussian curvature:

$$K = \kappa_1 \kappa_2 = \det(\mathbf{W})$$

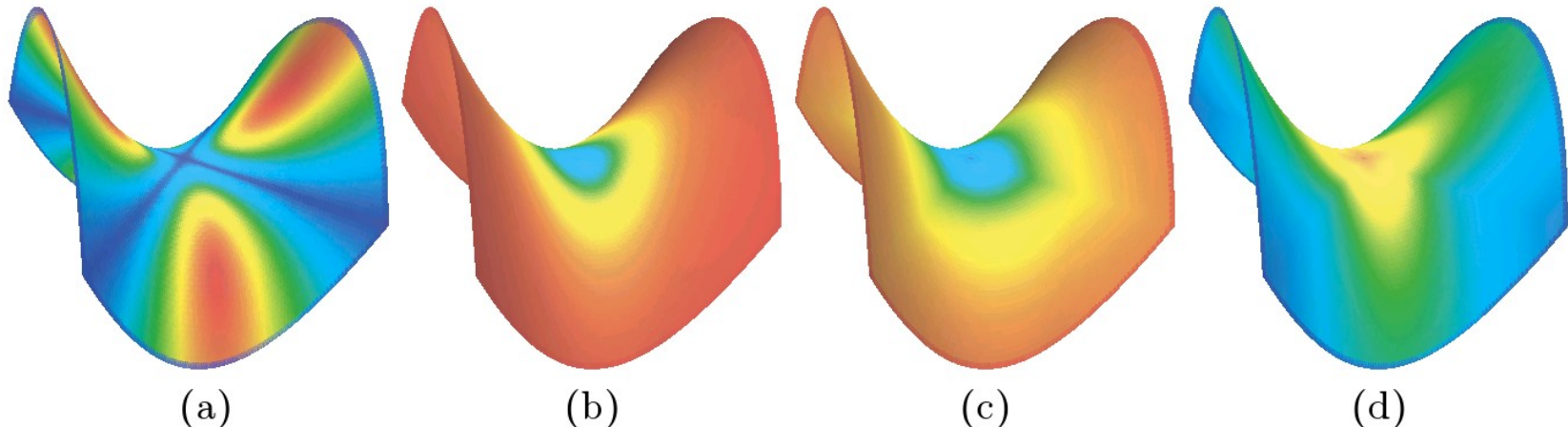
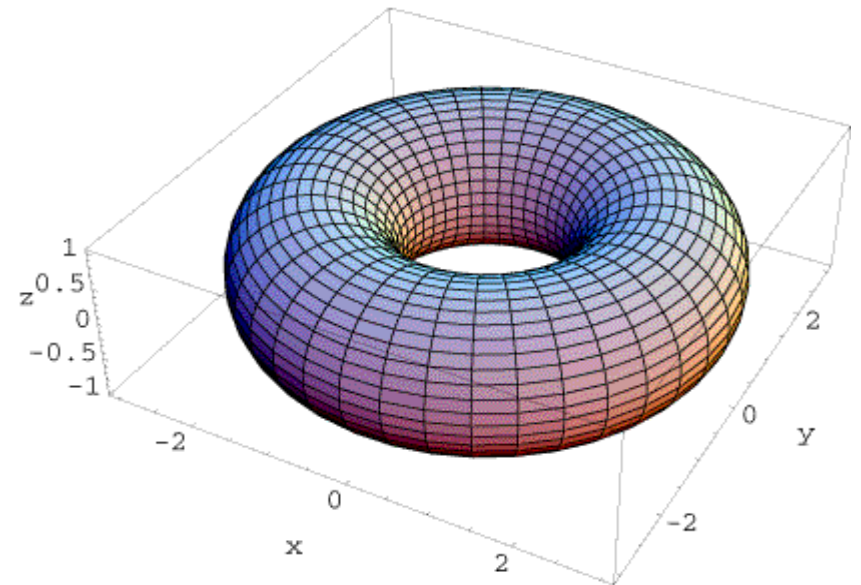


Fig. 5. Curvature plots of a triangulated saddle using pseudo-colors: (a) Mean, (b) Gaussian, (c) Minimum, (d) Maximum. (Courtesy M. Meyer)

Example: torus

$$\begin{pmatrix} x[u, v] \\ y[u, v] \\ z[u, v] \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos[u] (a + b \cos[v]) \\ (a + b \cos[v]) \sin[u] \\ b \sin[v] \end{pmatrix}$$

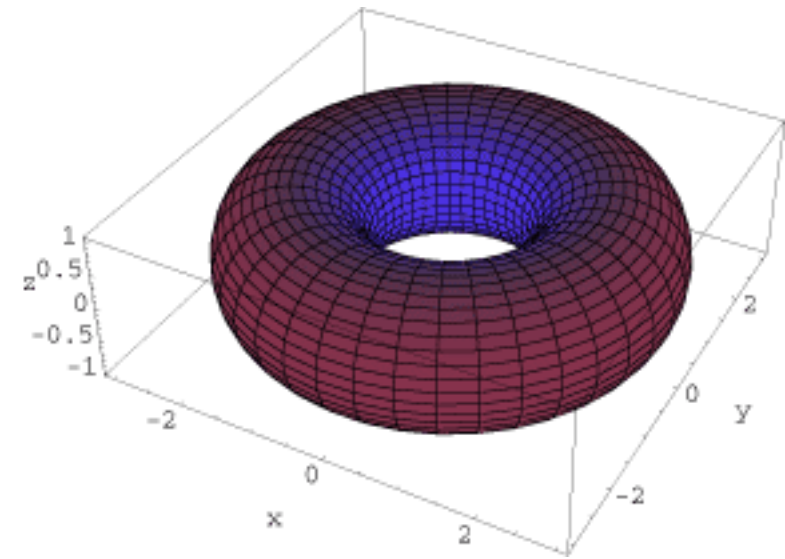
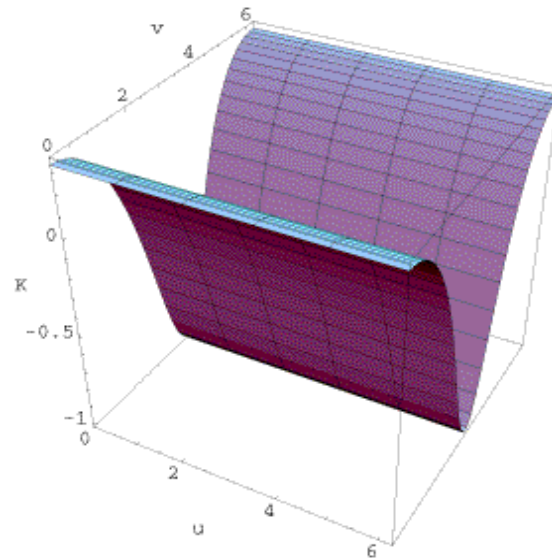


Exercise:

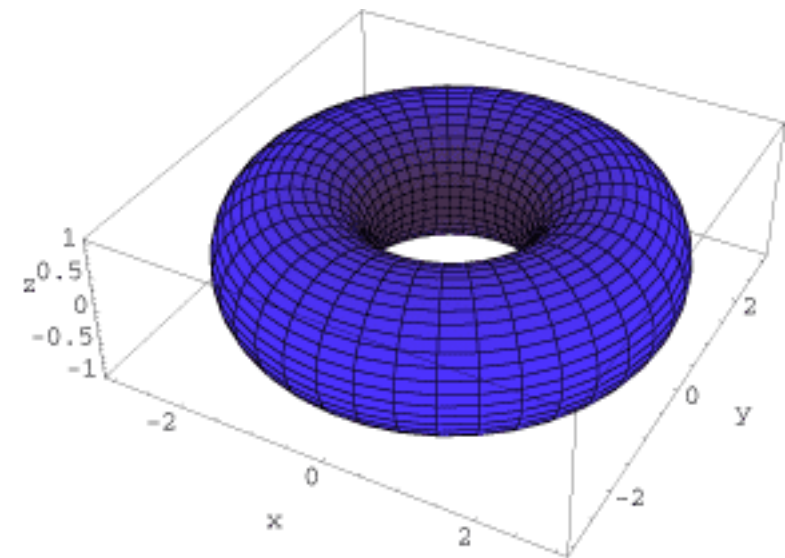
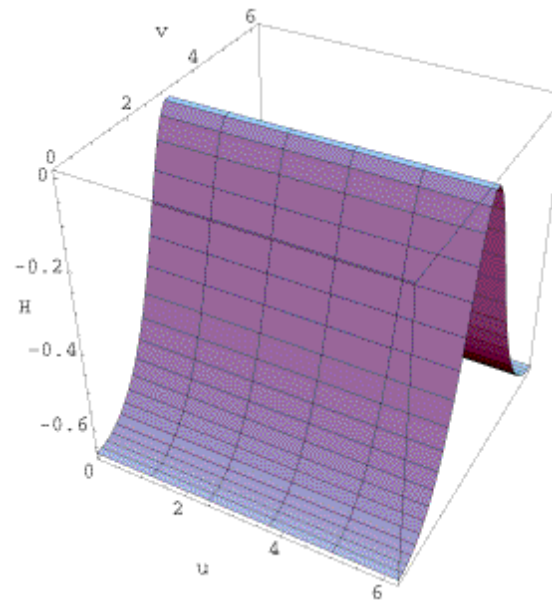
Compute the Gaussian and mean curvatures.

Example: torus

$$K[u, v] = \frac{\cos[v]}{b(a + b \cos[v])}$$



$$H[u, v] = -\frac{a + 2b \cos[v]}{2b(a + b \cos[v])}$$



Laplace operator

- Laplace operator in an Euclidean space:

$$\Delta f = \operatorname{div} \nabla f = \sum_i \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i^2}$$

- Laplace-Beltrami operator for (smooth) manifold surfaces:

$$\Delta_S f = \operatorname{div}_S \nabla_S f$$

- Replacing f by the coordinates function:

$$\Delta_S \mathbf{x} = -2H \mathbf{n}$$

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Discrete differential geometry

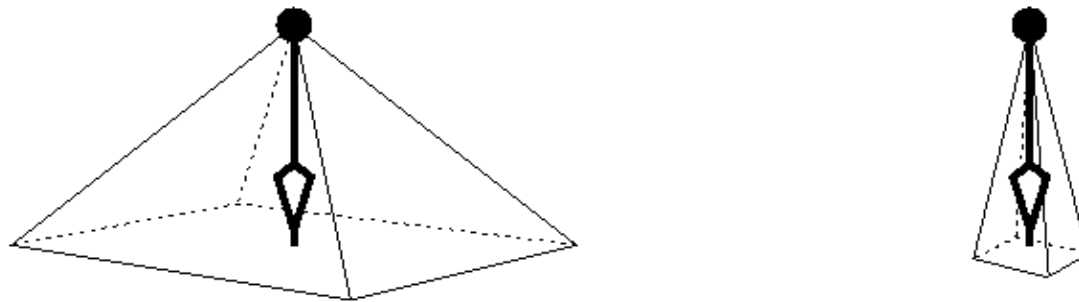
- Discrete surface (here: mesh): not smooth
- **Goal:** find approximations of the differential properties of the underlying smooth surface
- **Idea:** express them as **averages** over a local neighborhood

Discrete Laplace operator

- Taubin 1995:

$$\Delta_{unif}(v) := \frac{1}{|\mathcal{N}_1(v)|} \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{N}_1(v)} (f(v_i) - f(v))$$

- local geometry of the discretization (edge lengths, angles) not taken into account
- bad for non-uniform meshes

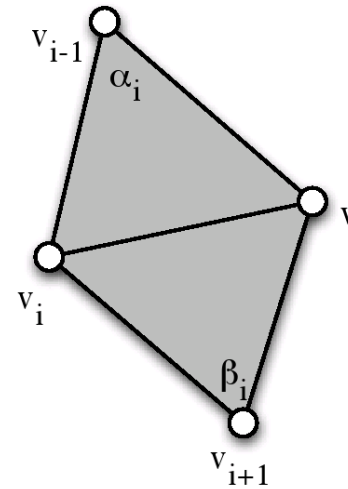
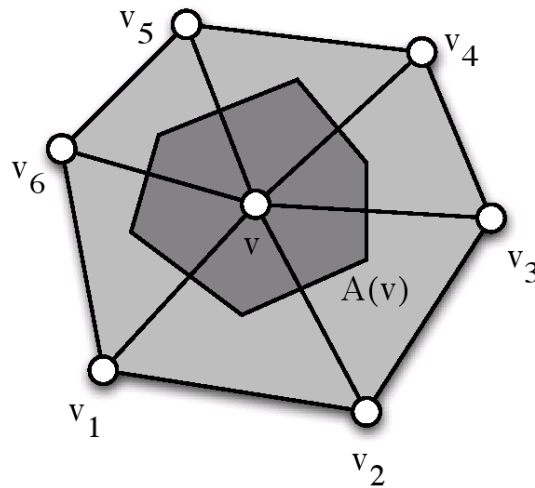


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Discrete Laplace operator

- Pinkall/Polthier 1993, Desbrun et al. 1999:

$$\Delta_S f(v) := \frac{2}{A(v)} \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{N}_1(v)} (\cot \alpha_i + \cot \beta_i) (f(v_i) - f(v))$$



$A(v)$ = Voronoi area

Discrete curvatures

- Mean curvature:

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{S}} \mathbf{x} = -2H\mathbf{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow H(v) := \frac{1}{A(v)} \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{N}_1(v)} (\cot\alpha_i + \cot\beta_i) \|v_i - v\|$$

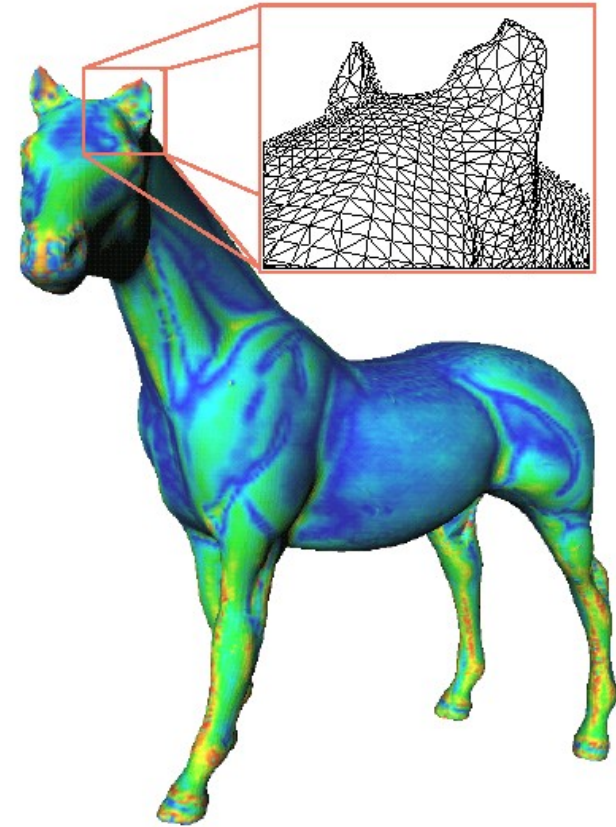
- Gaussian curvature:

$$K(v) = \frac{1}{A(v)} \left(2\pi - \sum_{v_i \in \mathcal{N}_1(v)} \theta_i \right)$$

Discrete curvatures

Drawback: not intrinsic

- Same surface but \neq meshes
 $\Rightarrow \neq$ curvatures
- Lots of recent work
 - See Grinspun et al. SGP 2007
- My favorite:
Cohen-Steiner/Morvan
2003



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Cohen-Steiner's definition

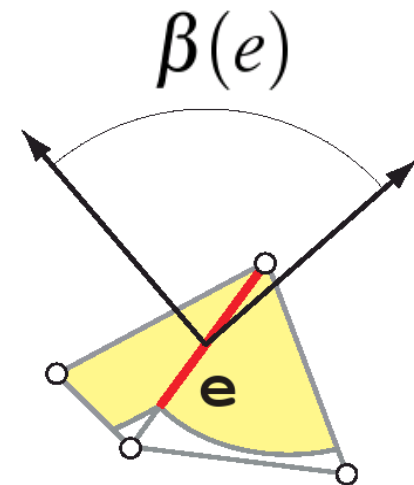
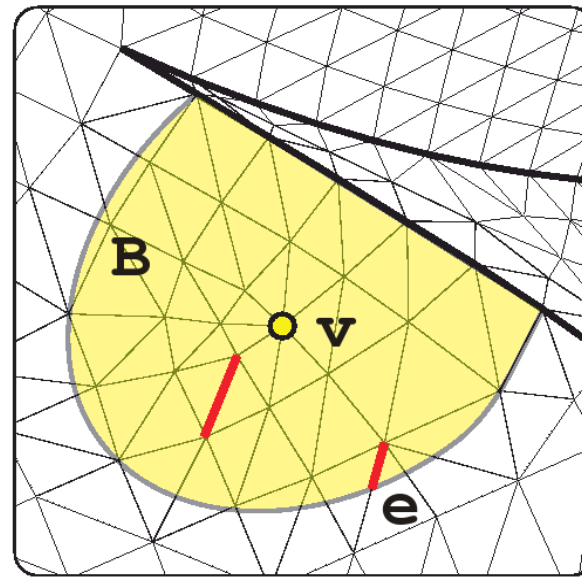
$$\mathcal{I}(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{|B|} \sum_{\text{edges } e} \beta(e) |e \cap B| \bar{e} \bar{e}^t$$

curvature tensor

(eigenvectors = normal at \mathbf{v}
+ principal curvatures)

$\beta(e) =$ **signed** angle

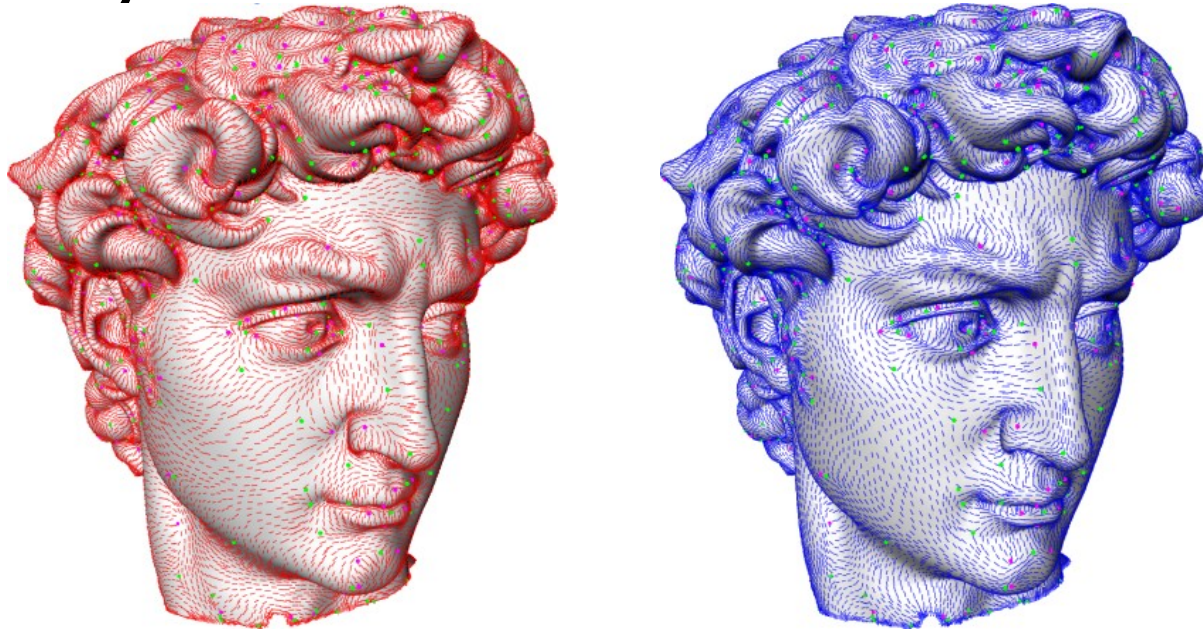
$B =$ approx. geodesic disk
(arbitrary size)



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Results

- Based on robust math background
 - Normal cycle theory
- Convergence result w.r.t. smooth surface
- Now widely used



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Definition

- Extrema of the principal curvatures along their corresponding curvature direction:

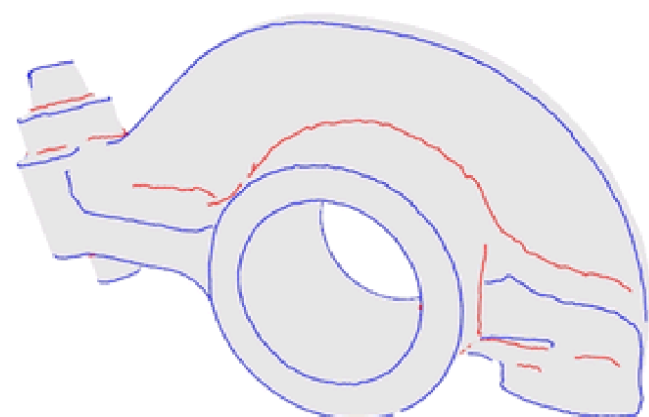
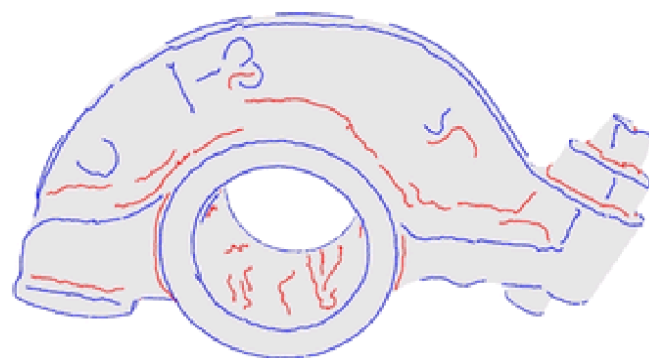
$$e_{\max} = \partial k_{\max} / \partial \mathbf{t}_{\max} \qquad e_{\min} = \partial k_{\min} / \partial \mathbf{t}_{\min}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} e_{\max} = 0, & \partial e_{\max} / \partial \mathbf{t}_{\max} < 0, & k_{\max} > |k_{\min}|, & \text{ridge} \\ e_{\min} = 0, & \partial e_{\min} / \partial \mathbf{t}_{\min} > 0, & k_{\min} < -|k_{\max}| & \text{ravine} \end{array}$$

- Ridges = (convex) **crest lines**

Ravines = (concave) crest lines = **valleys**

Example



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Applications

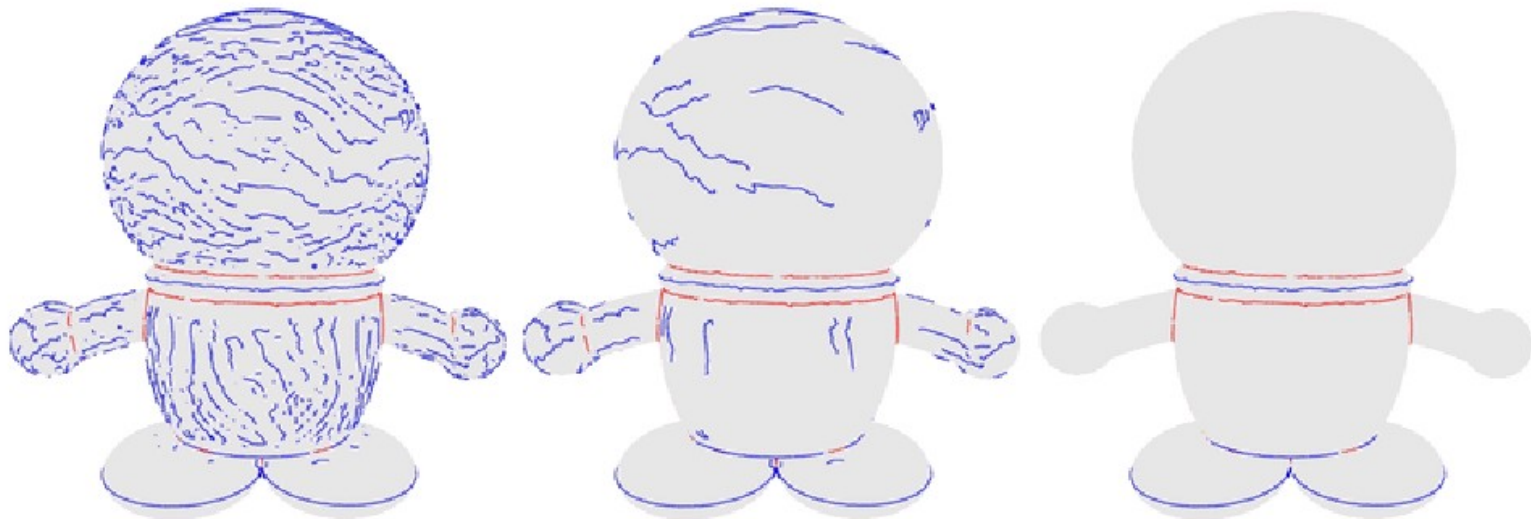
- Image analysis (medical)
- Face recognition
- Shape analysis
- Compression
- Expressive rendering



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Computation

- Difficult because:
 - Second order differential quantities
 - Need accurate estimation of principal curvatures
- Most methods need manual filtering



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Existing methods

- Use of (discrete) differential operators
 - Noisy
- Polynomial or implicit surface fitting
 - Need less filtering
 - Inherent smoothing difficult to control
 - Slow
 - Local vs. global approaches

Existing methods

- See works by
 - Alexander **Belyaev** and co-workers
 - Yutaka Ohtake SIGGRAPH 2004
 - Shin Yoshizawa SPM 2005 + Pacific Graphics 2007
 - Frédéric **Cazals** and Marc Pouget
 - SGP 2003, CAGD 2006
 - Klaus **Hildebrandt**, Konrad Polthier and Markus Wardetzky
 - SGP 2005

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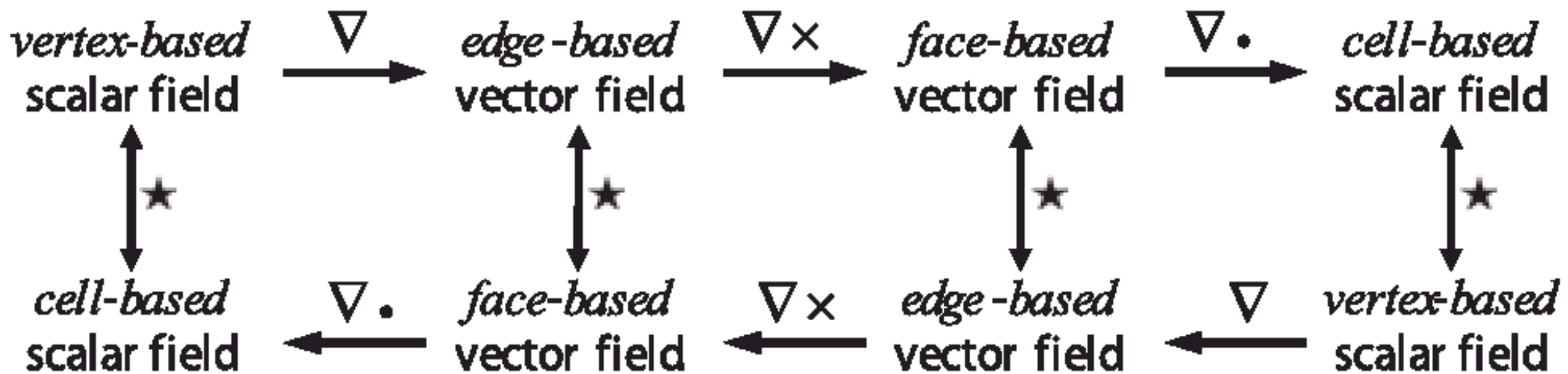
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Hot topics in discrete differential geometry

- **Still:** discrete Laplacian and curvatures
- **Exterior Calculus** and discrete differential forms
- **Curvature-based energies** (e.g. Willmore flow) and application to physical simulation
 - Clothes and thin plates
 - Thin shells
- Location of **streamlines** and **singularities**
- **Harmonic forms**

Discrete exterior calculus

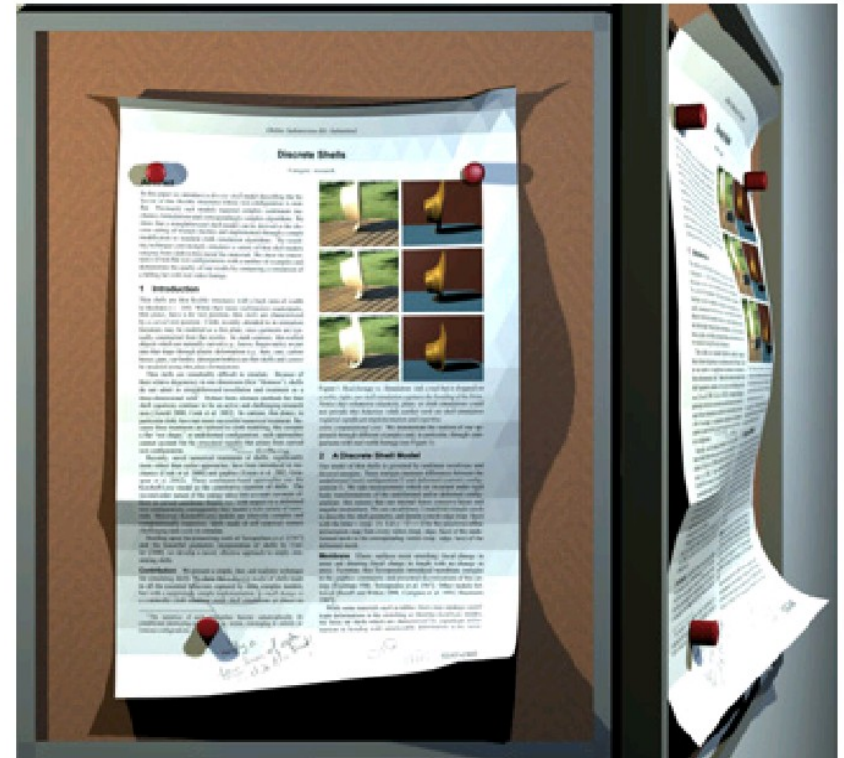
- Use of (very) advanced maths to solve various geometrical problems
 - Very general but very abstract
- **Keyword:** Mathieu Desbrun (Caltech)



Courtesy M. Desbrun

Curvature-based energies

- Needed for (realistic) physical simulation of some special models
 - Clothes
 - Paper sheets
 - Flags
 - ...
- **Keyword:** Eitan Grinspun (Columbia Univ.)



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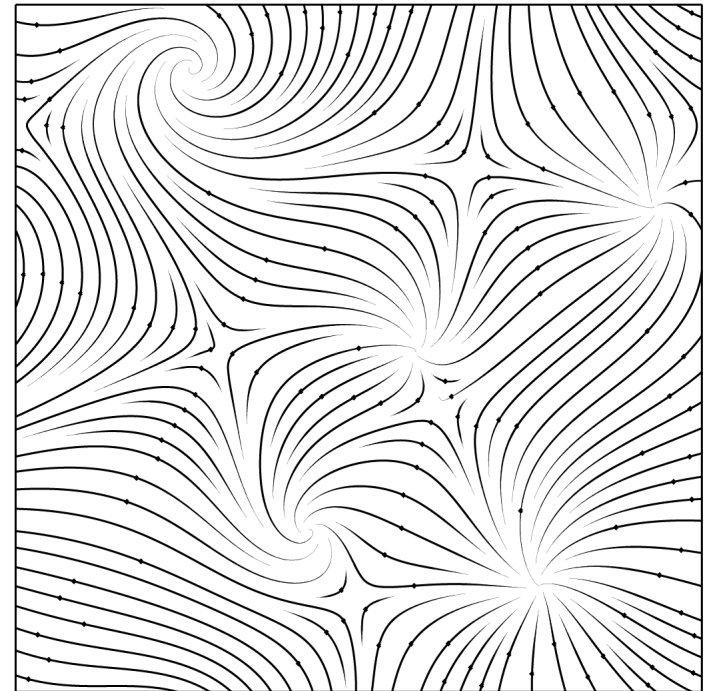
Harmonic forms and singularities

- Useful to characterize a shape

- More info than topology
- Invariant under some deformations
- Appl.: parameterization, remeshing

- **Keywords:**

- Bruno Lévy (INRIA Lorraine)
- Pierre Alliez (INRIA Sophia-Antipolis)



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The end

- Next week:
 - Mesh parameterization (Cédric G erot)
 - Point set filtering and simplification (Franck H etroy)
- These slides will be available on the course's webpage:

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Mesh smoothing papers

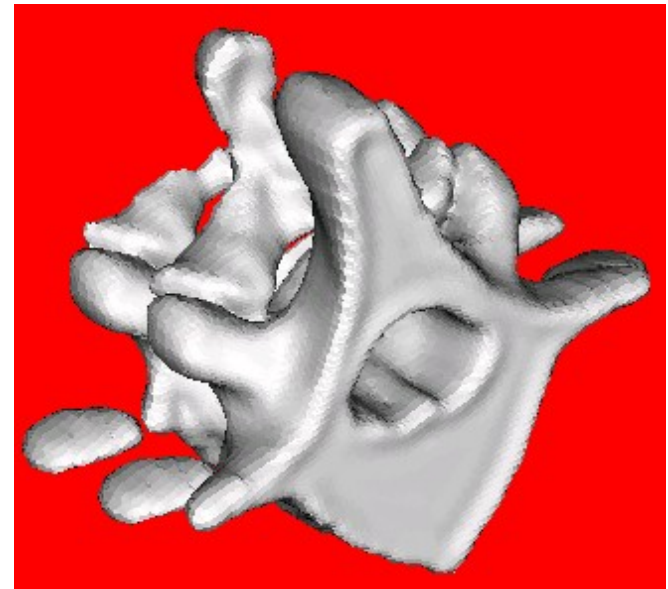
1. G. Taubin, “A Signal Processing Approach to Fair Surface Design” => F. Hétroy
 2. M. Desbrun et al., “Implicit Fairing of Irregular Meshes using Diffusion and Curvature Flow” => P. Bénéard & V. Nivoliers
 3. S. Fleishman et al., “Bilateral Mesh Denoising”
- + T.R. Jones et al., “Non-Iterative, Feature-Preserving Mesh Smoothing” => G. Bousquet & J.M. Fernández

Mesh simplification papers

1. H. Hoppe, “Progressive Meshes” => Q. Baig
2. R. Klein et al., “Mesh Reduction with Error Control” => E. Duveau & O. Nagornaya
3. P. Lindström, “Out-of-Core Simplification of Large Polygonal Models”
=> incl. M. Garland & P. Heckbert, “Surface Simplification Using Quadric Error Metrics”
=> A. Méler & V. Vidal

A Signal Processing Approach to Fair Surface Design

- Gabriel Taubin (IBM research)
- Presented at SIGGRAPH 1995
- Fairing = remove rough features (denoise, smooth)
- **Main idea:** surface fairing ~ signal low-pass filtering



Mathematical approach

- Fourier transform \sim Laplace transform
 - **Fourier:** $F(t) = \text{cst.} \int f(w) \cdot \exp(iwt) dw$
 - **Laplace:** $L(t) = \int f(w) \cdot \exp(-wt) dw$
- FT \sim decompose the signal into a linear combination of its **Laplacian eigenvectors**
- Discrete case: find a **equivalent** to the Laplacian operator

Discrete Laplacian

- Discrete curve:

$$\Delta x_i = \frac{1}{2}(x_{i-1} - x_i) + \frac{1}{2}(x_{i+1} - x_i)$$

- Discrete surface:

$$\Delta x_i = \sum_{j \in i^*} w_{ij} (x_j - x_i) \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{j \in i^*} w_{ij} = 1$$

- Several choices proposed for the w_{ij}

- Low-pass filtering:

$$x' = f(K)x$$

K = Laplacian matrix, f = transfer function

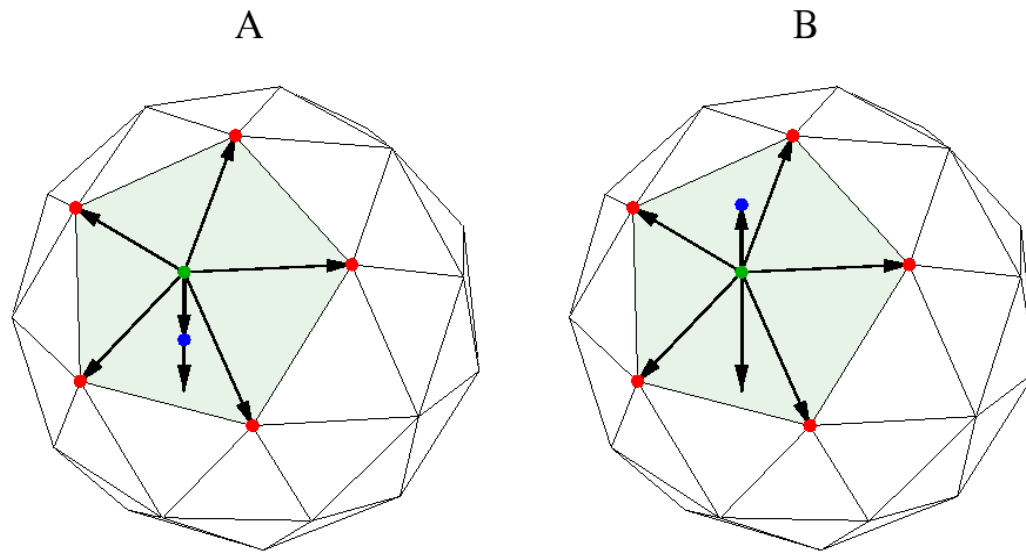
Choice: $f(k) = (1 - \lambda k)(1 - \mu k)$

Fairing algorithm

- 2 steps:

- $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathbf{x}_i + \lambda \Delta \mathbf{x}_i$ (smoothing)

- $\mathbf{x}'_i = \mathbf{x}_i + \mu \Delta \mathbf{x}_i$ (avoid shrinkage)



- vertex v_i
- neighbors $v_j : j \in i^*$
- new position $v'_i = v_i + \{\lambda, \mu\} \sum_{j \in i^*} w_{ij} (v_j - v_i)$

Results

- Very fast
 - $O(n)$ (also in memory)
 - FFT: $O(n \log n)$
- OK if the mesh is regular
- Not good if triangles have very different sizes/angles

