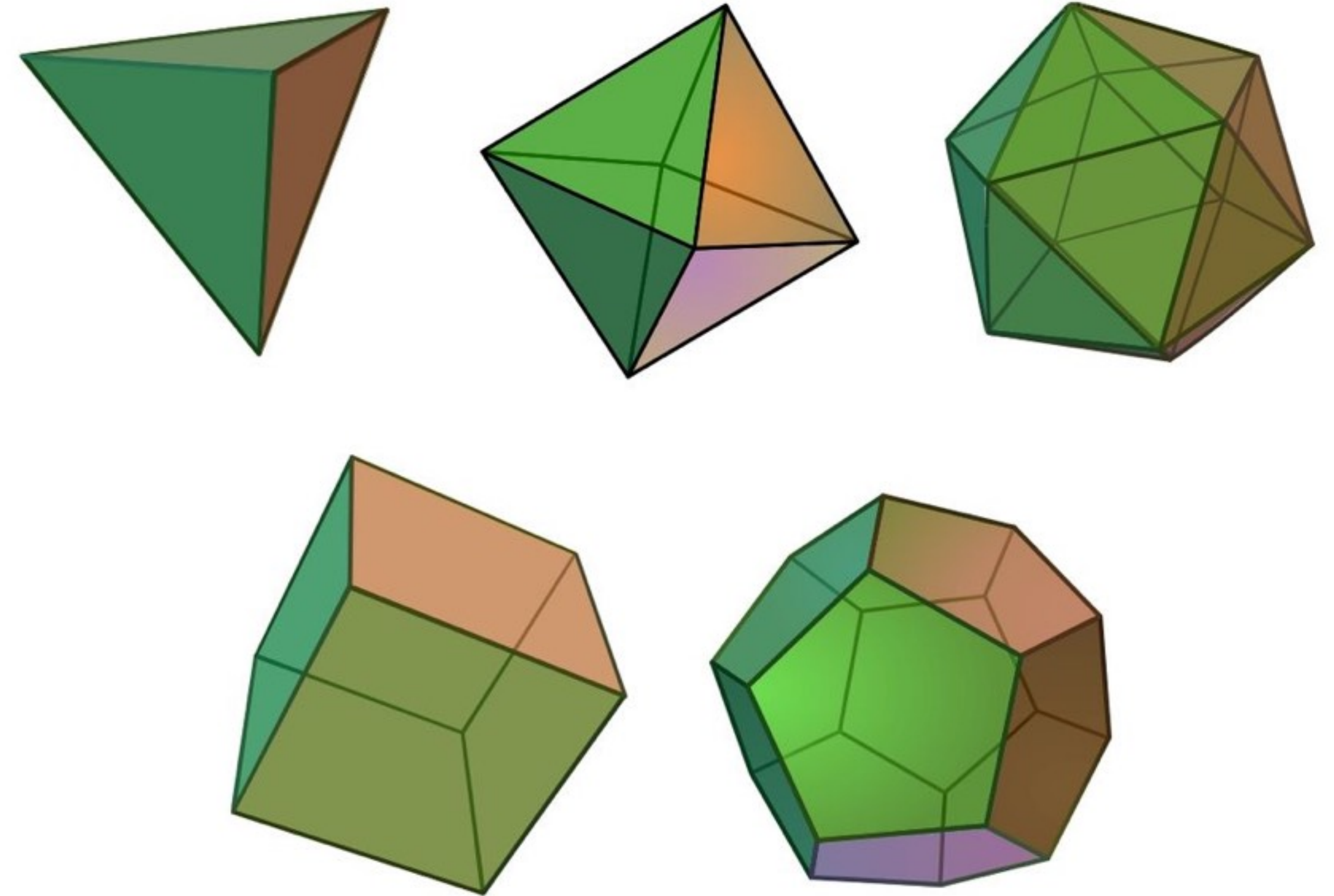
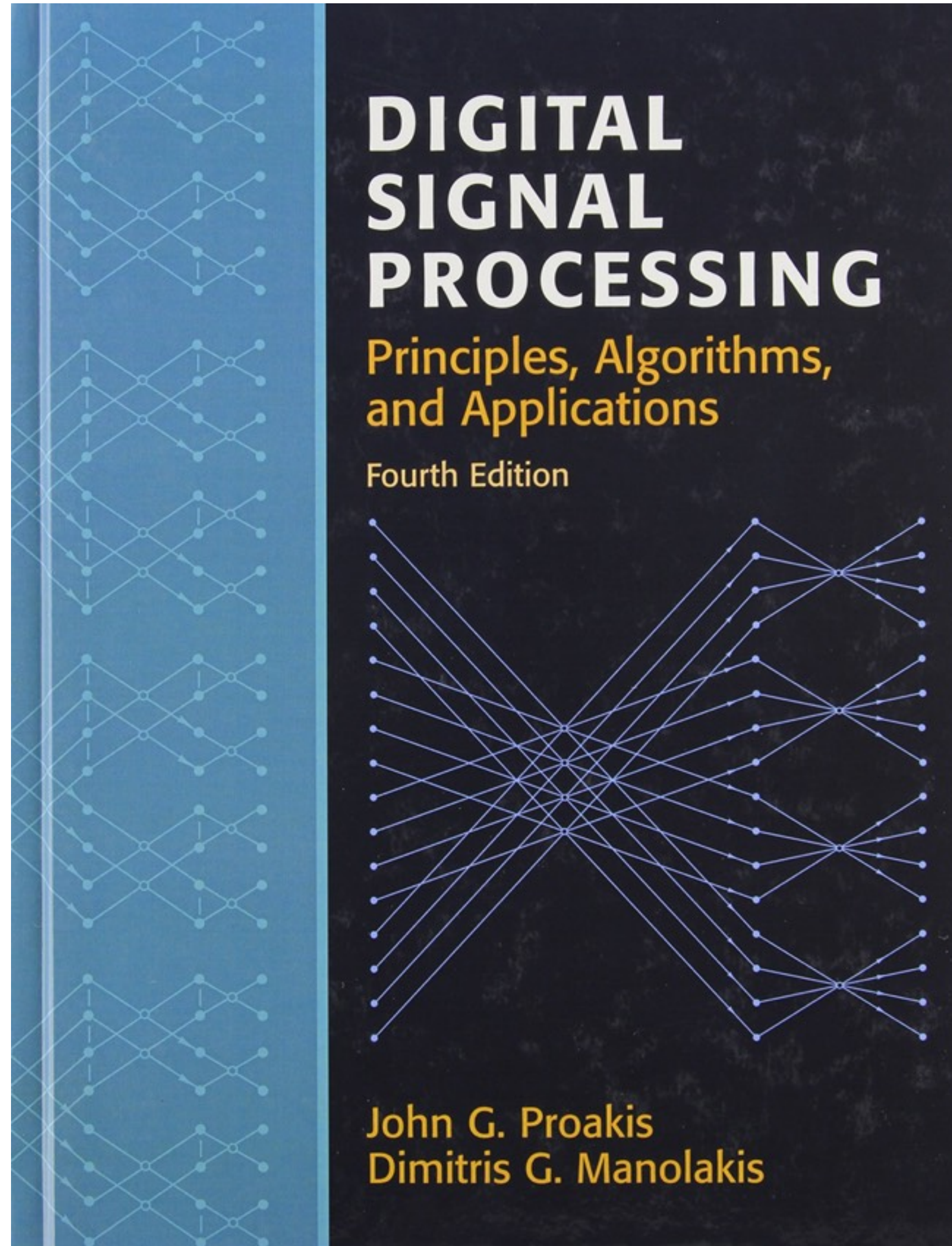


Digital Geometry Processing

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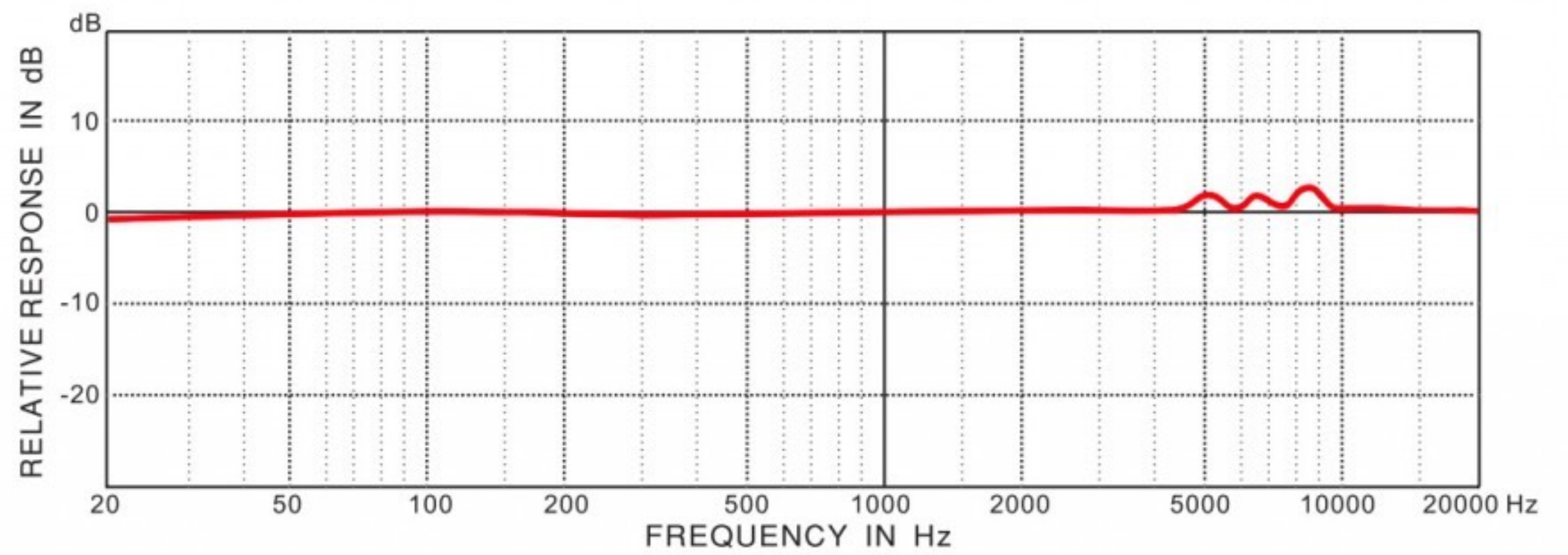


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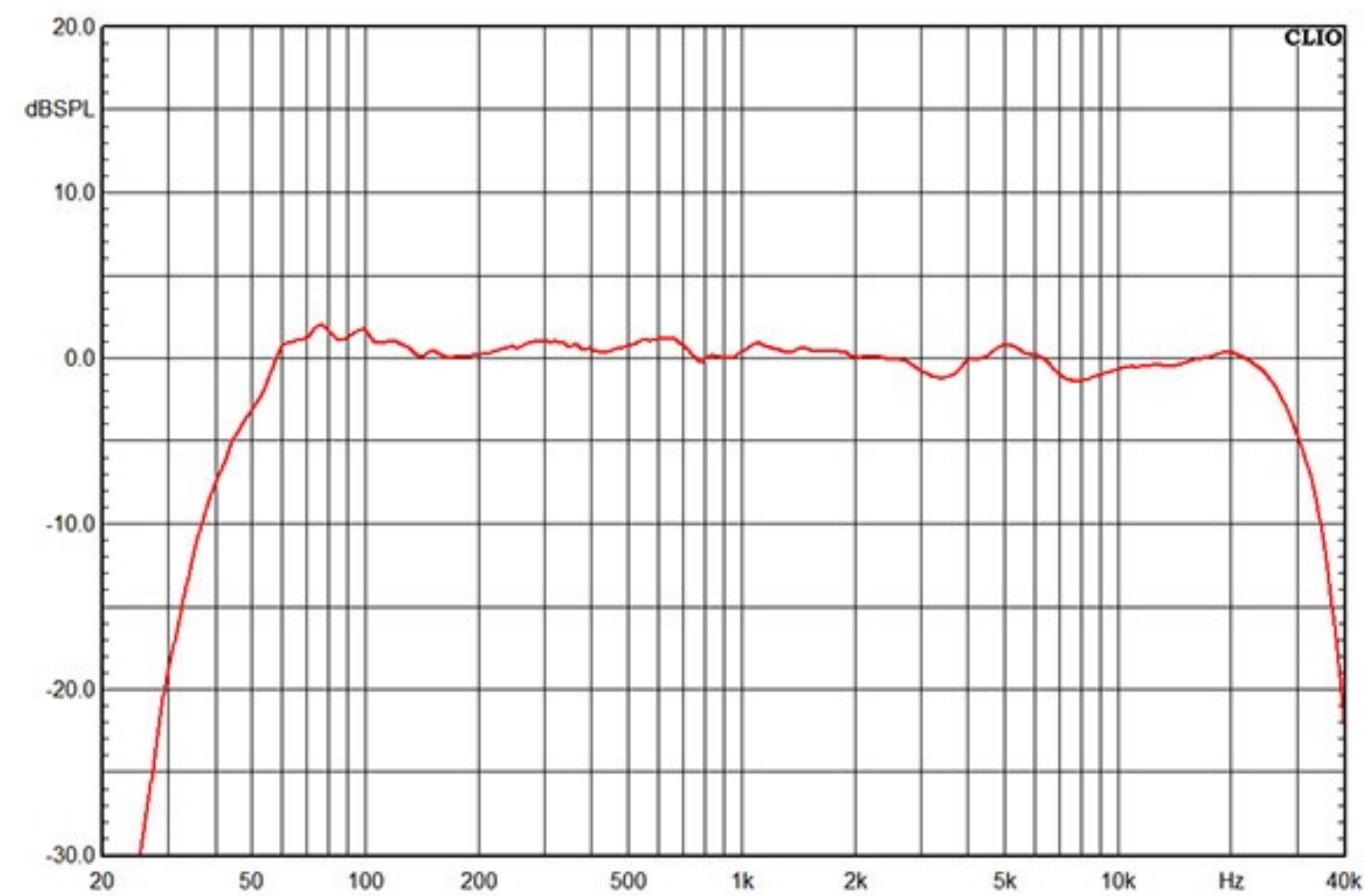
A tool or idea so well understood and well engineered that it “just works” without requiring expert knowledge. You just do it the way everyone else does it and it works “pretty good.”
(See also: *bo–ring.*)



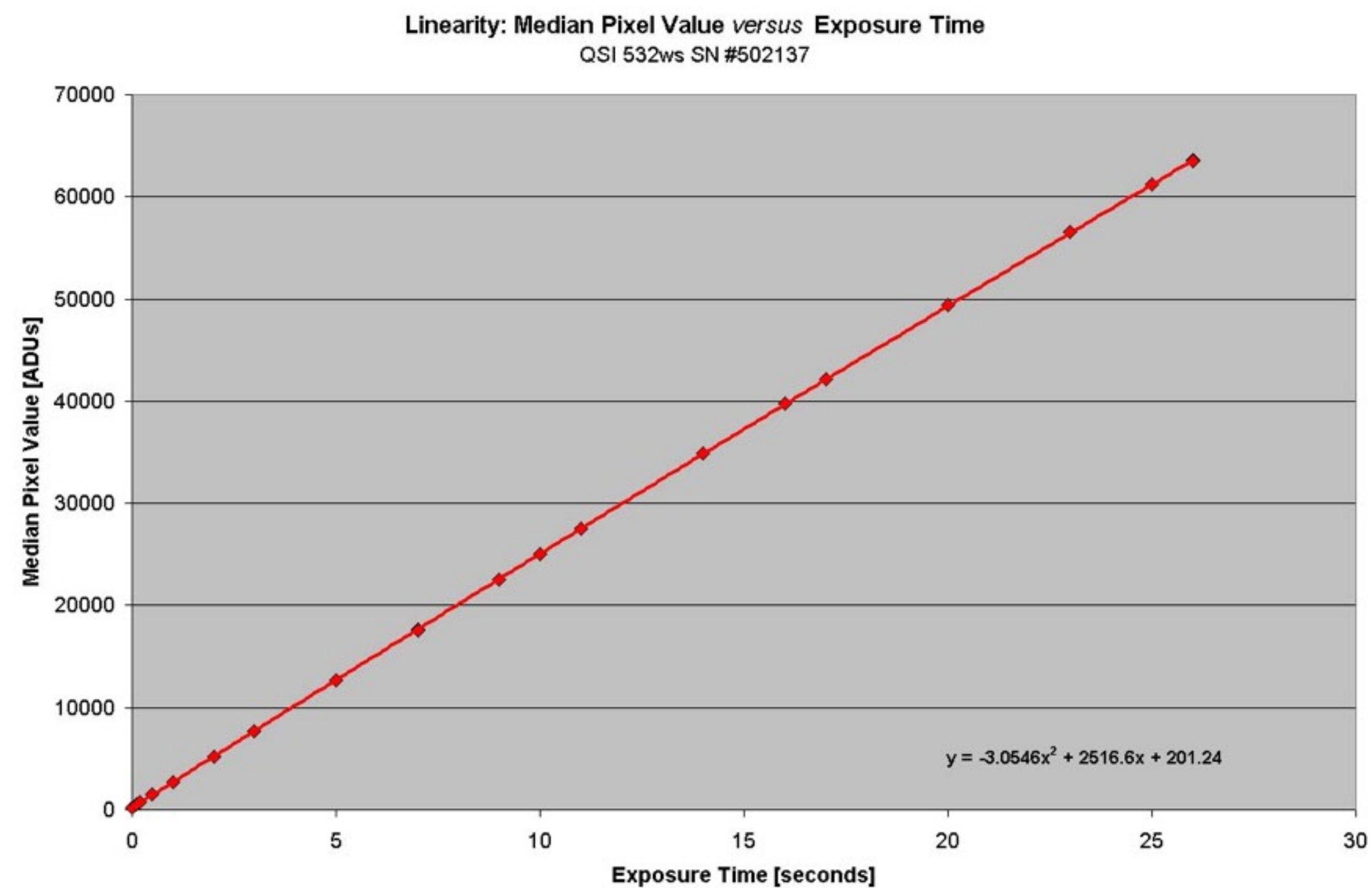


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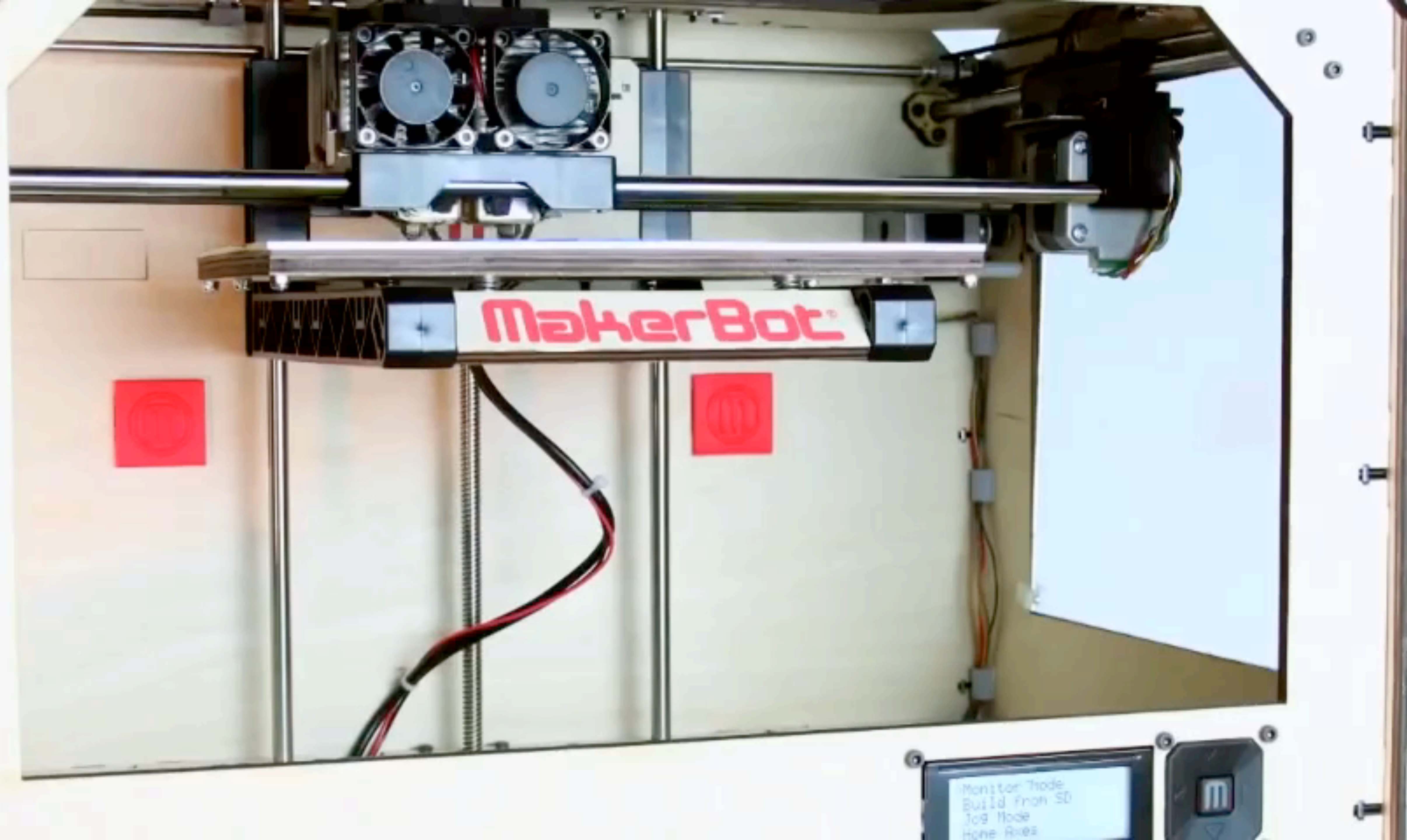














*“I hate meshes.
I cannot believe how hard this is.
Geometry is hard.”*

—David Baraff
Senior Research Scientist
Pixar Animation Studios



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300,000 models
(total)

10-100k vertices

10,400,000 photos
...per hour!

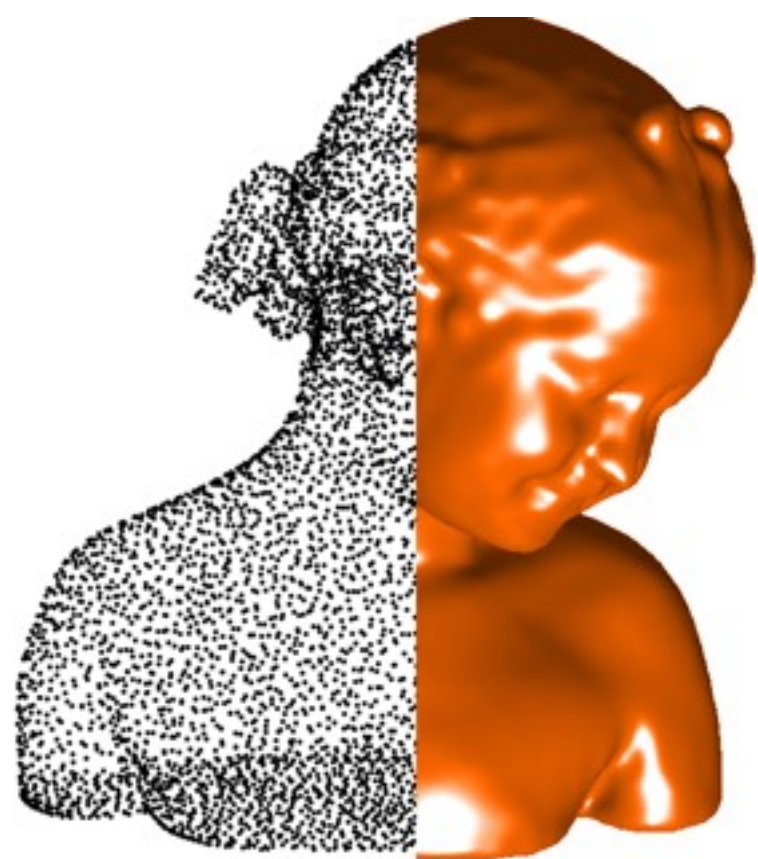
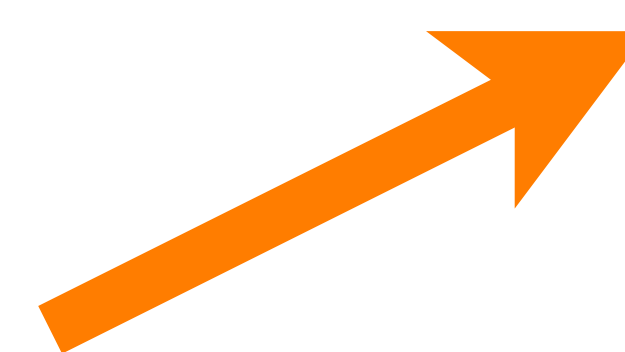
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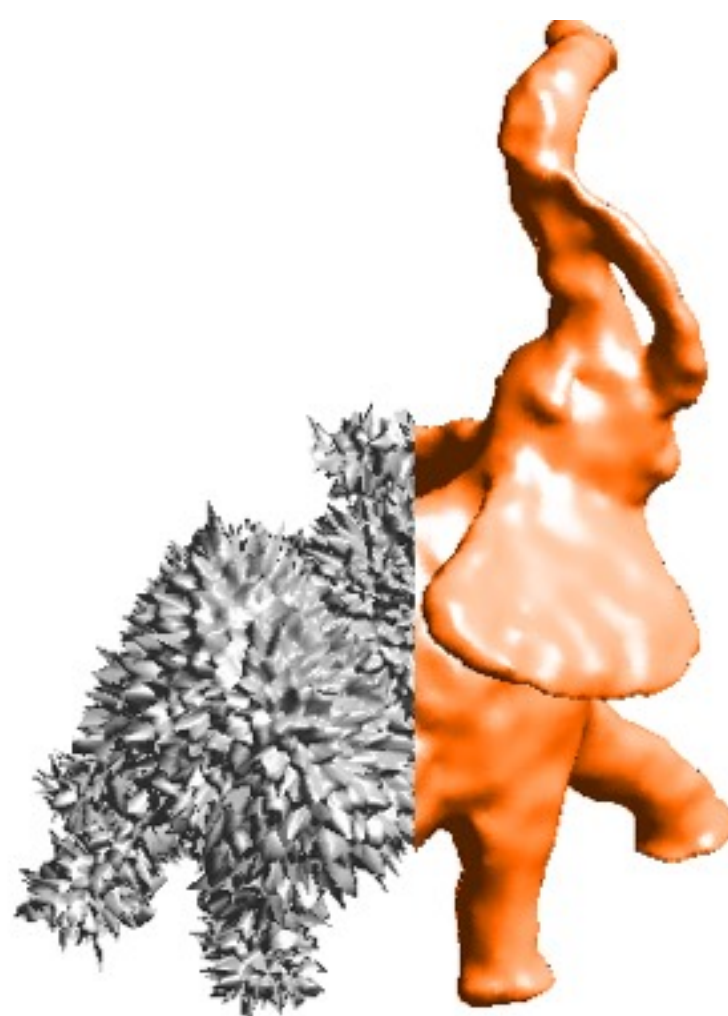
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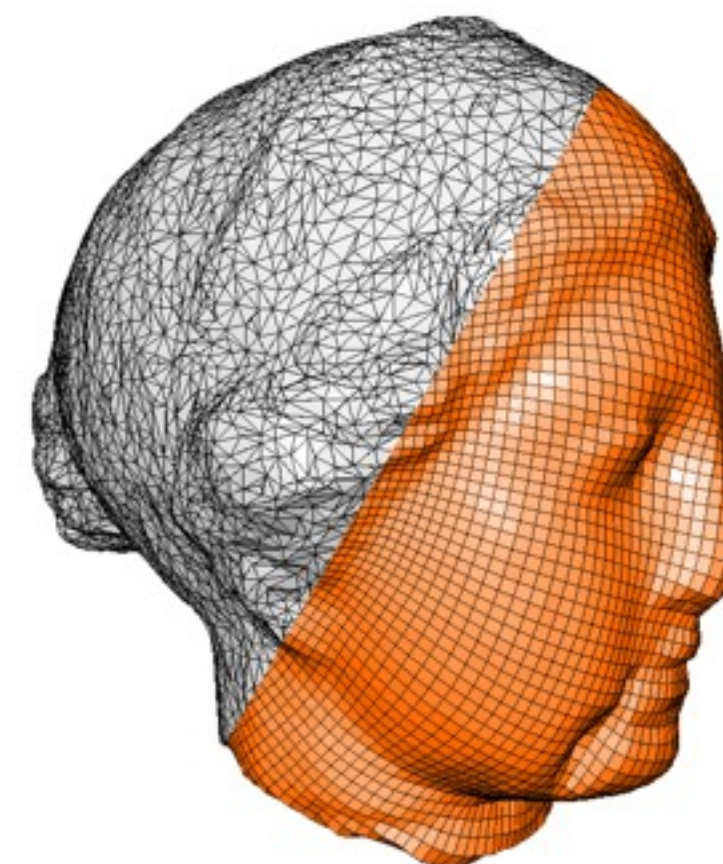
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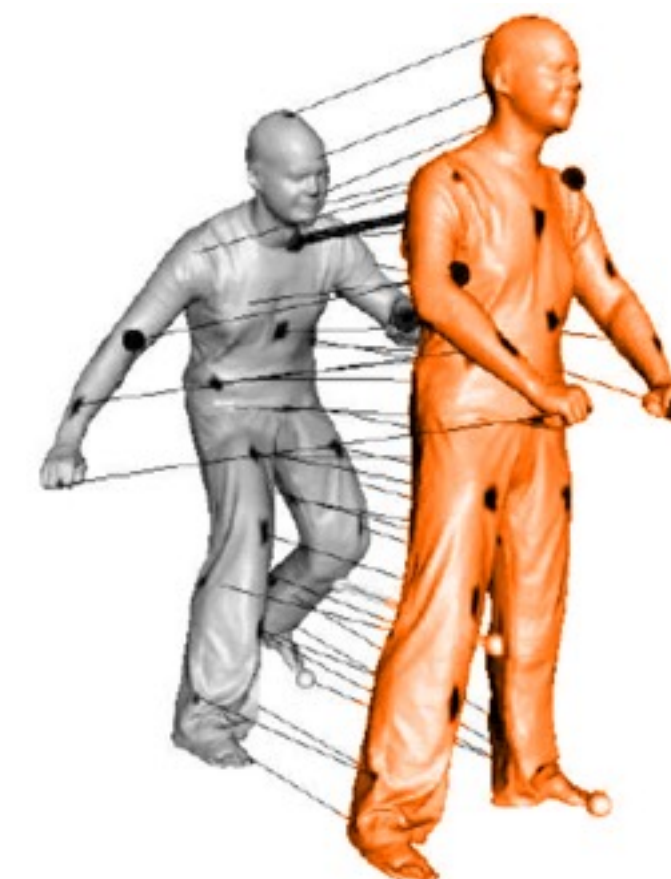
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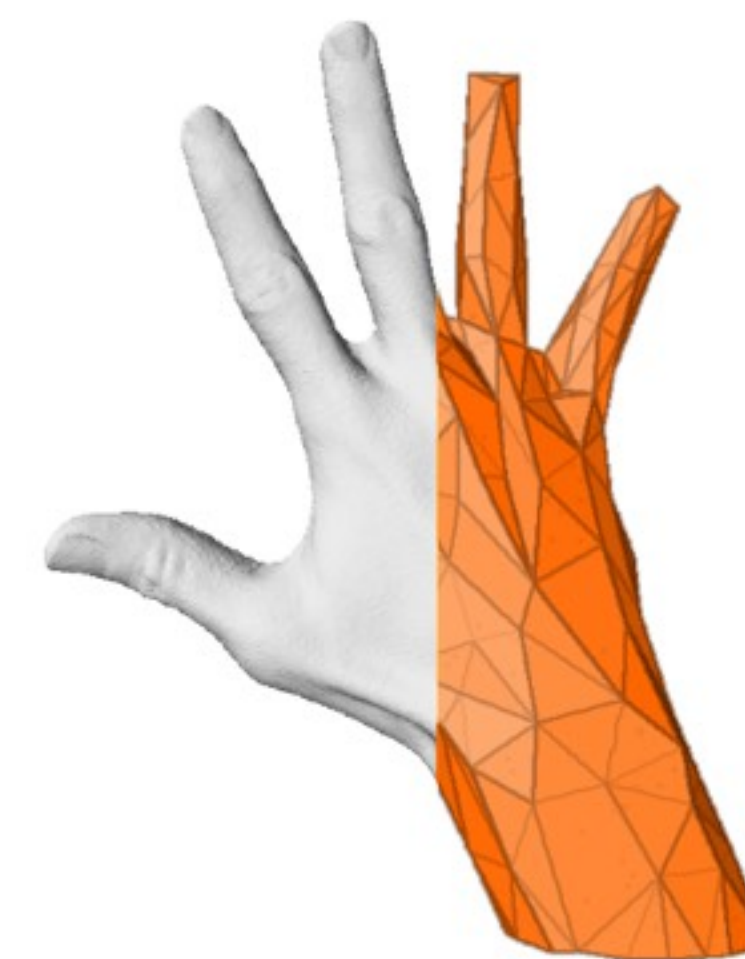
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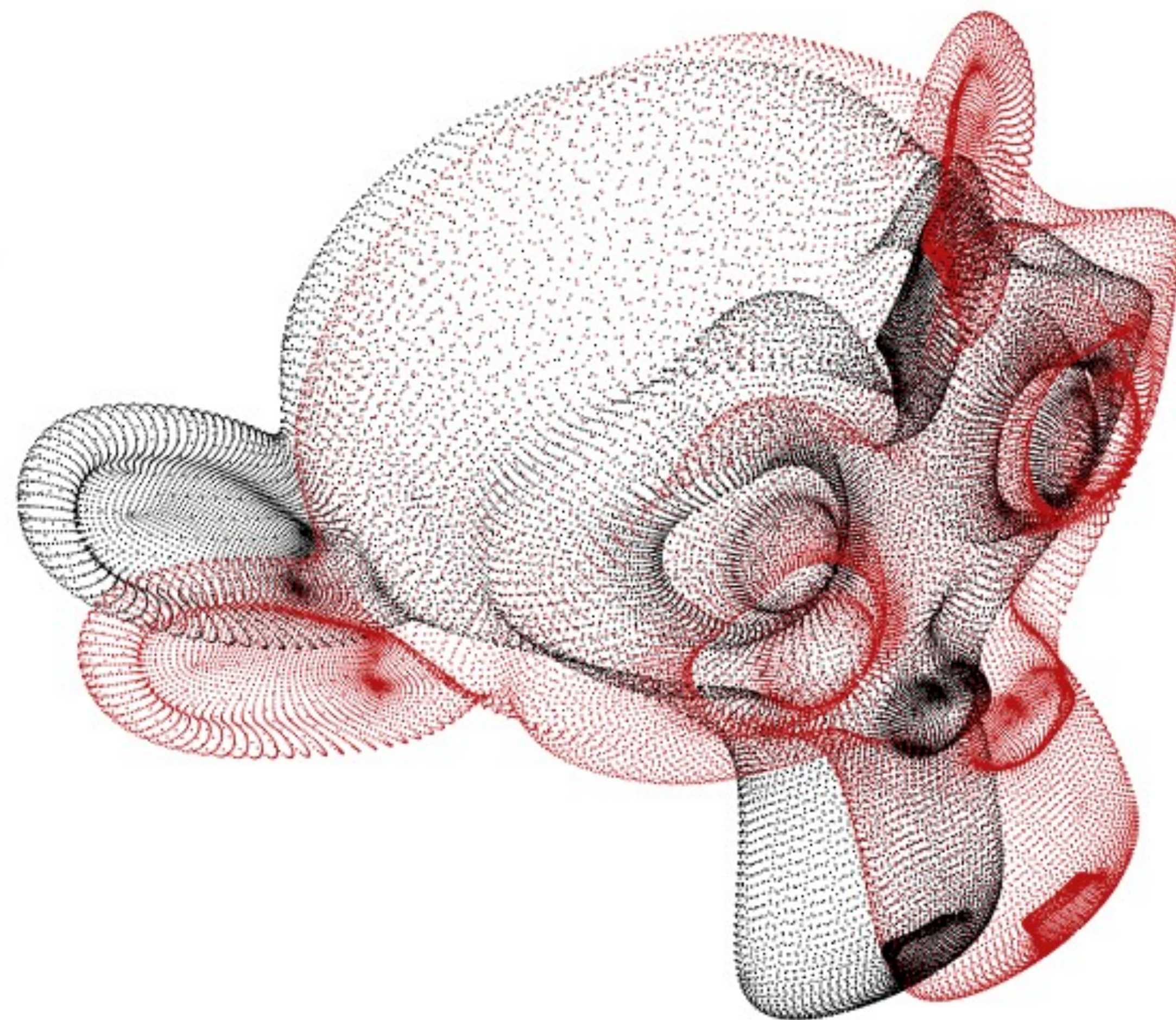
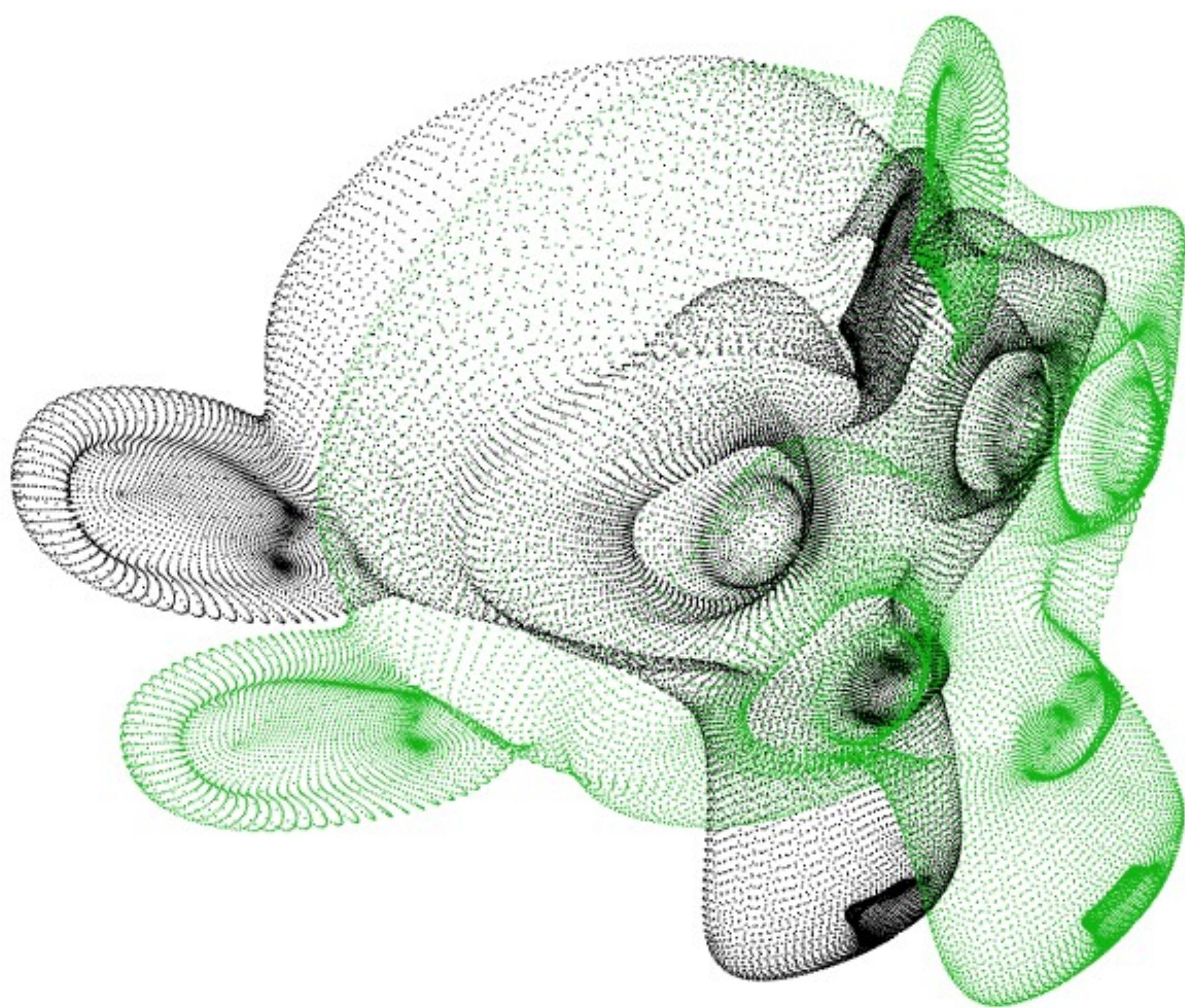
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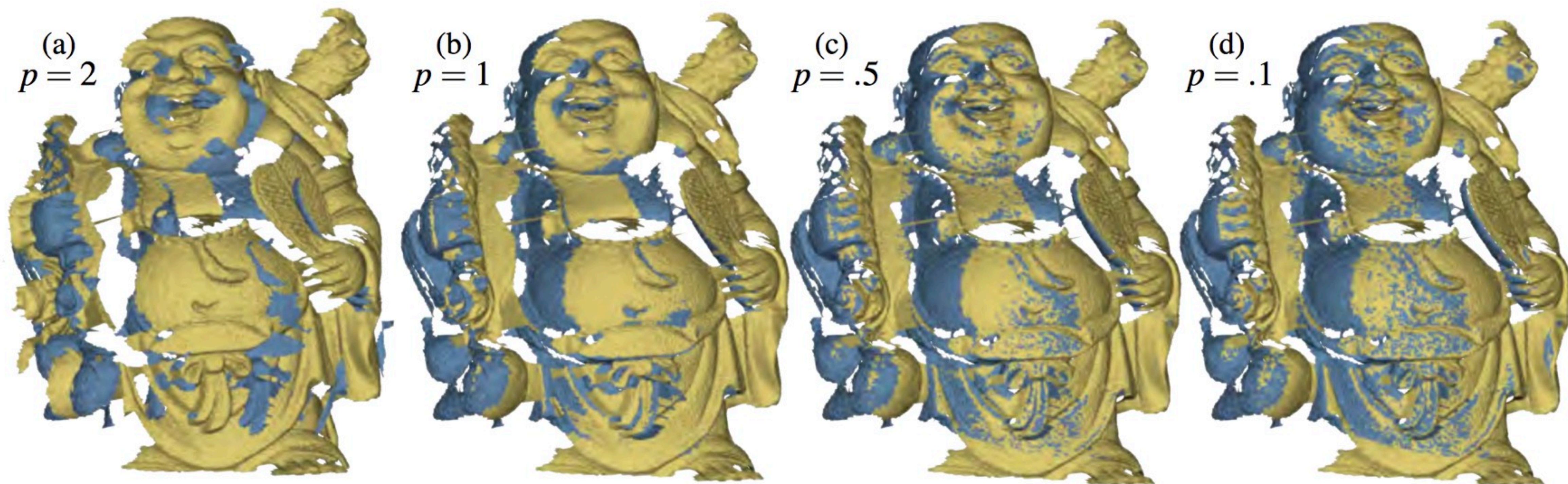
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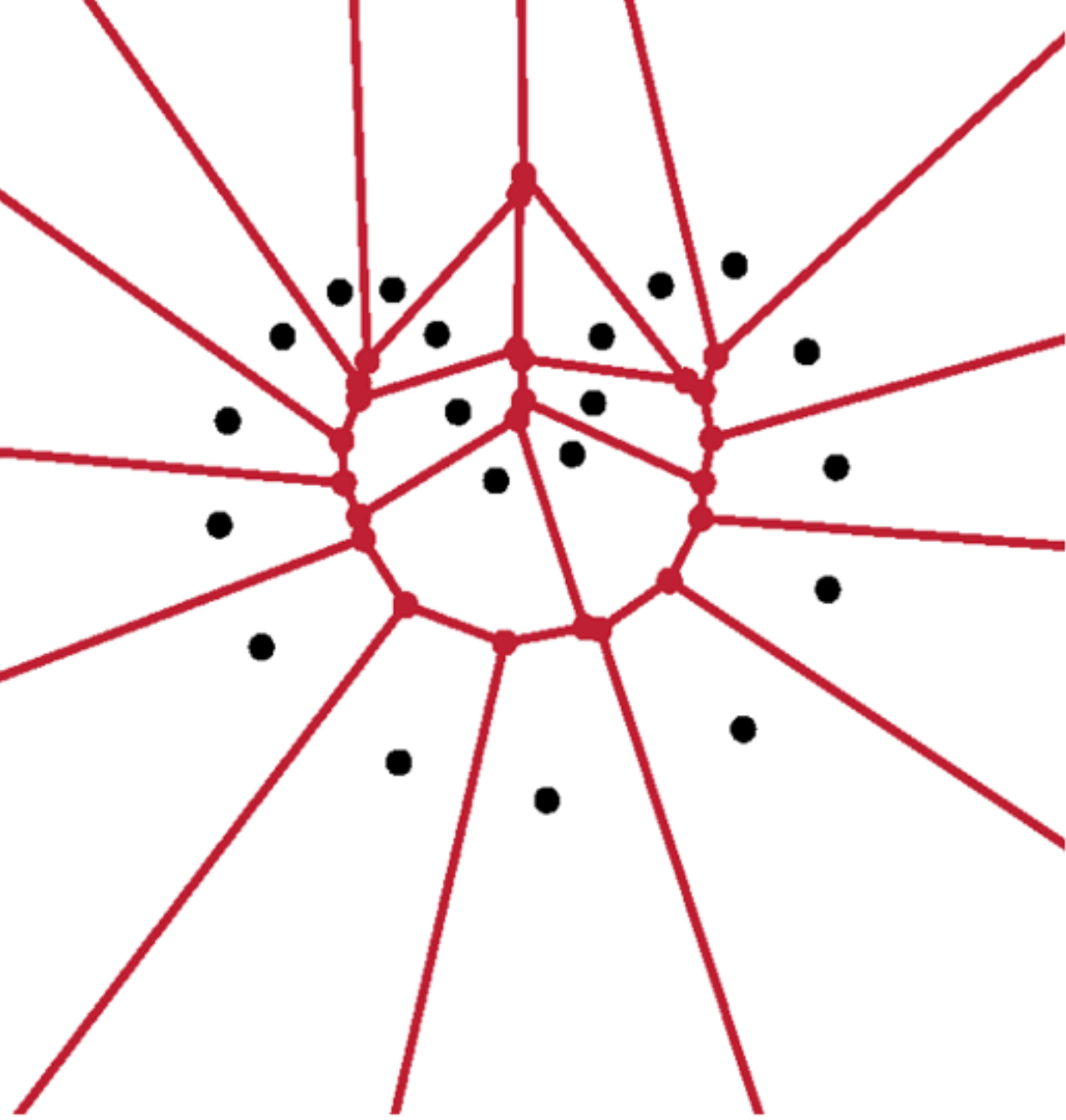
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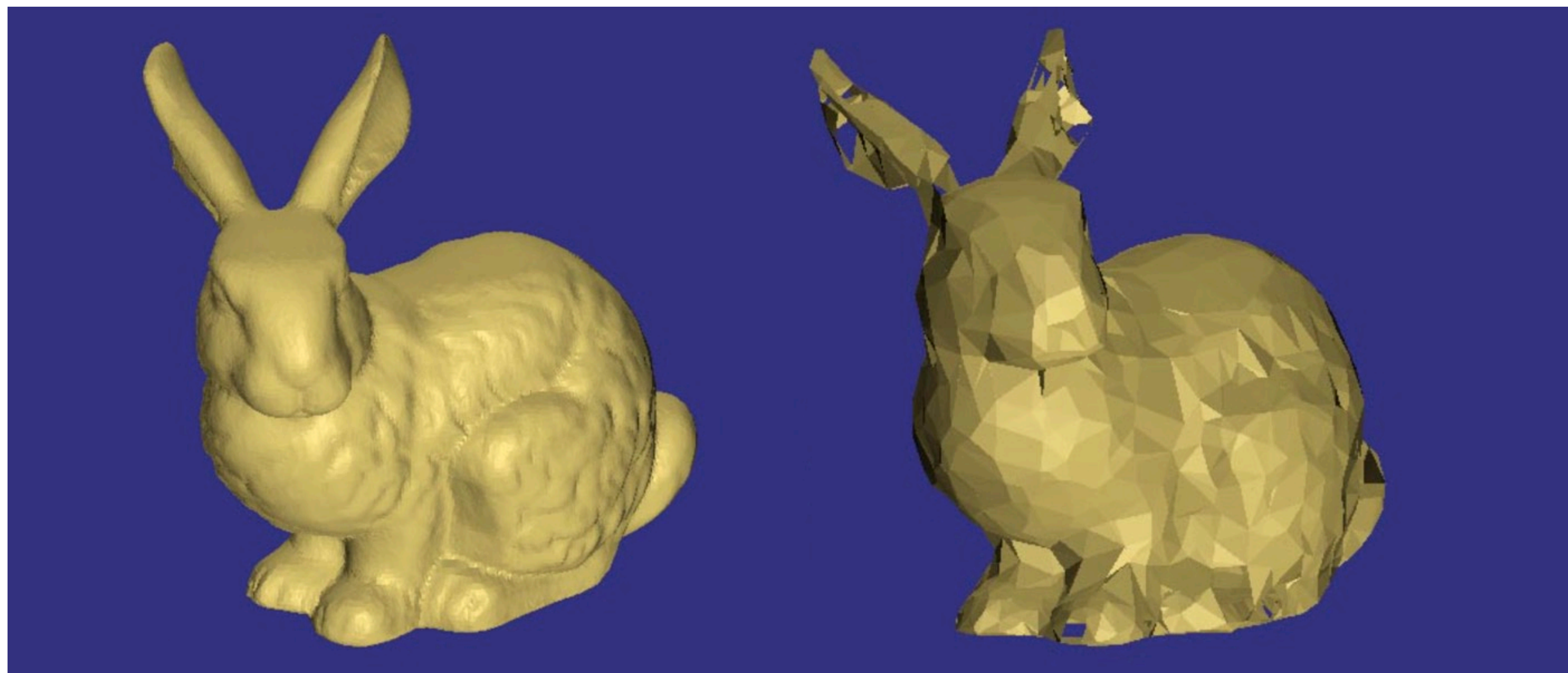
Besl & McKay (1992)
“A method for registration of 3D shapes”

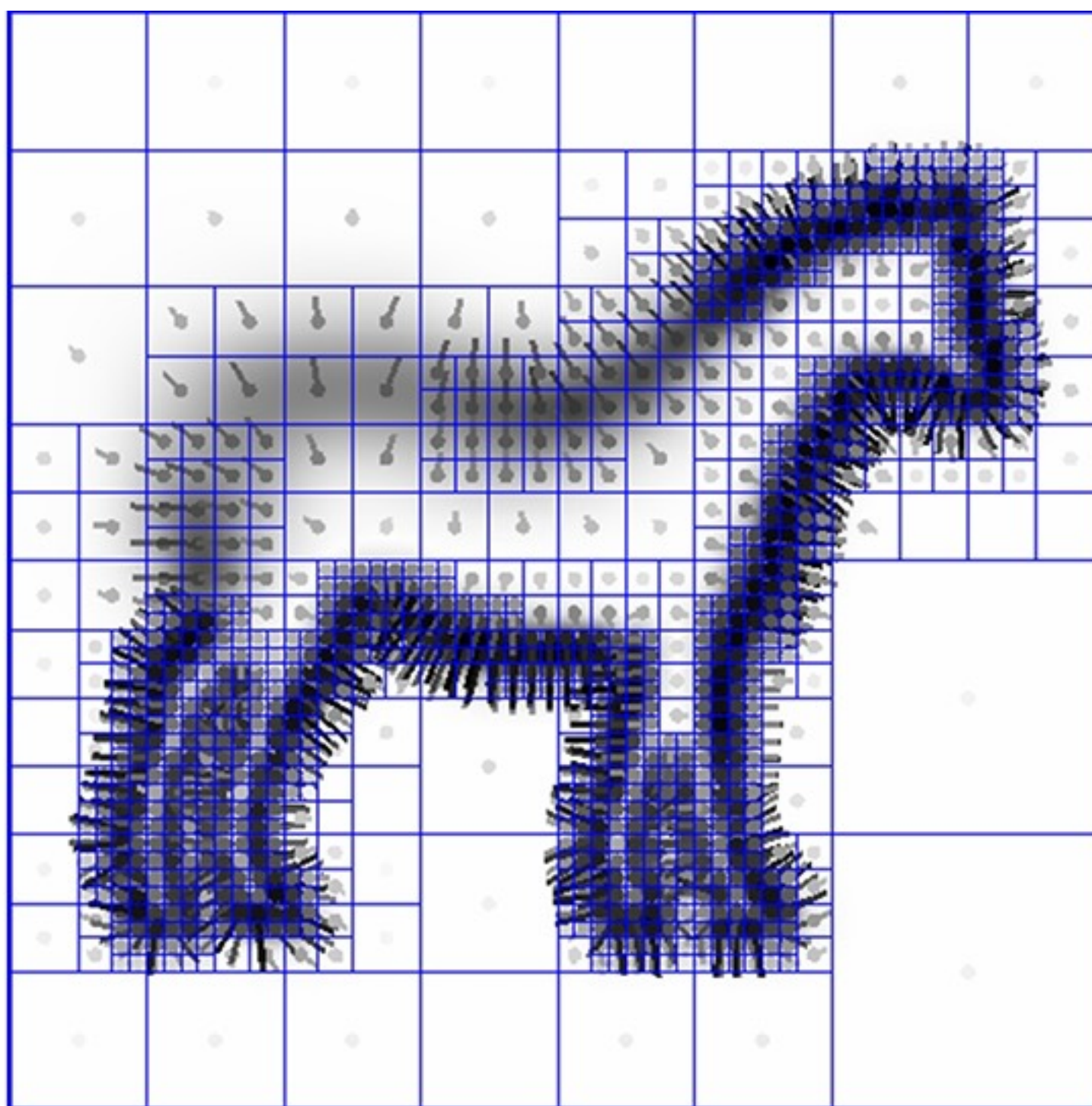
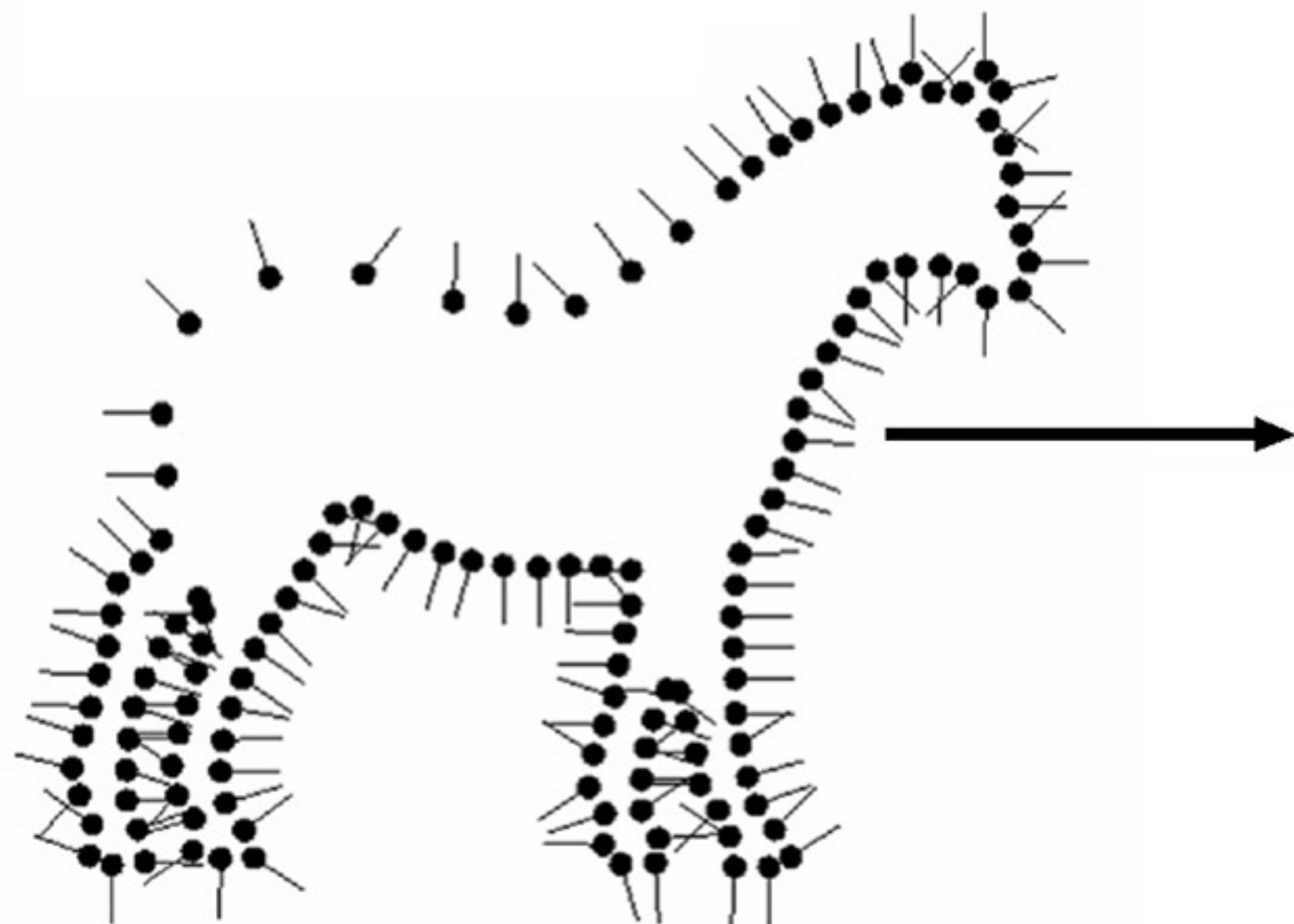


Bouaziz et al (2013)
“Sparse Iterative Closest Point”

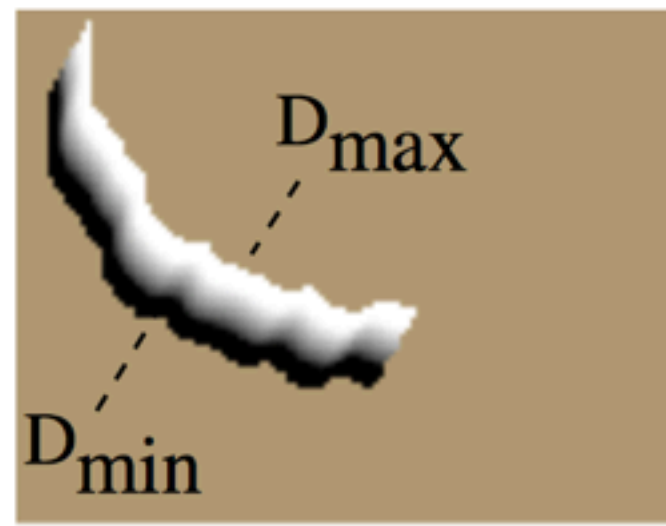


“A New Voronoi-Based Surface Reconstruction”
Amenta et al (1998)





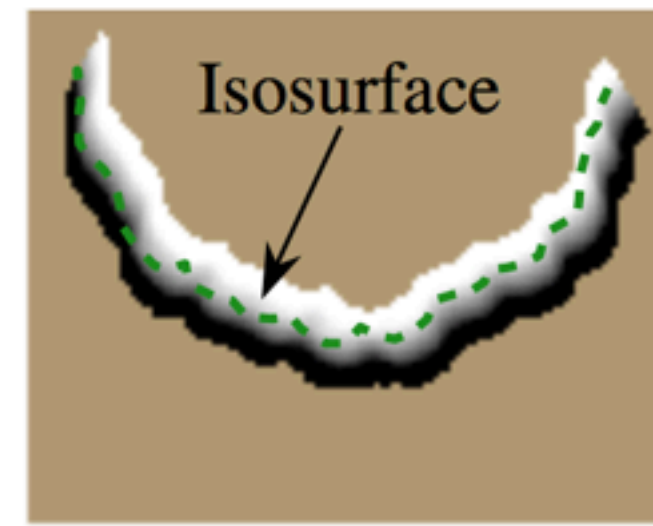
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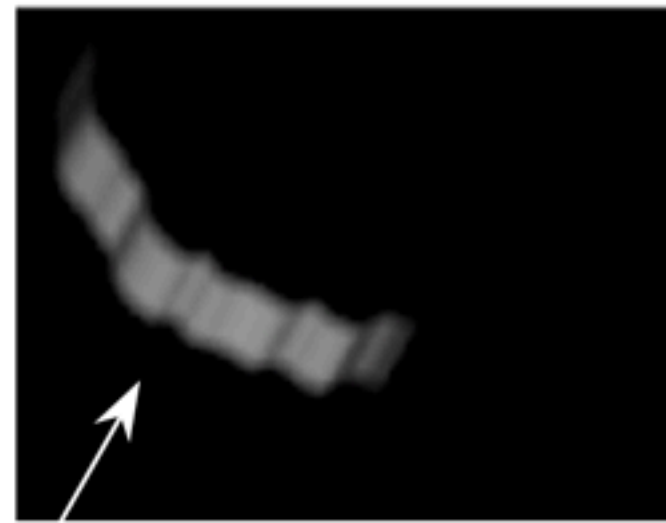
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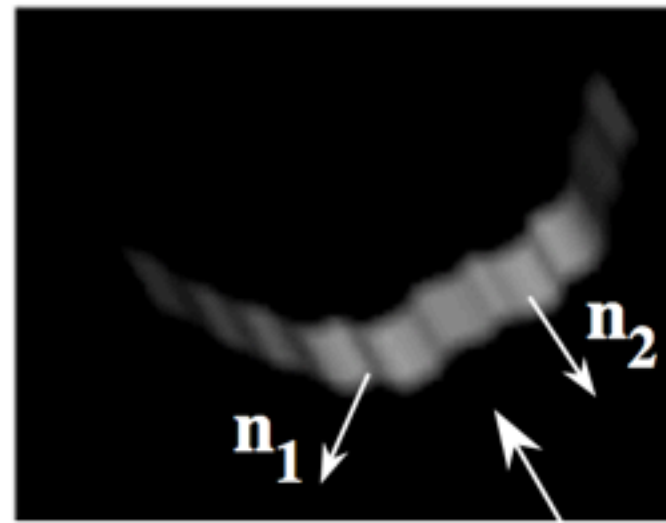
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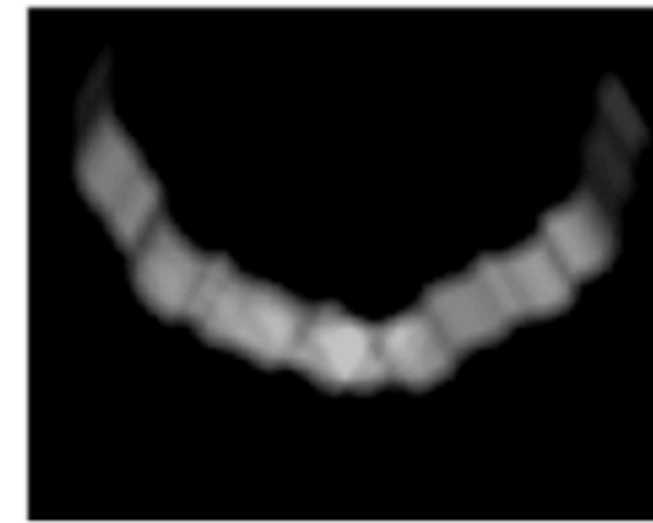
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Sensor



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Curless & Levoy (1996)

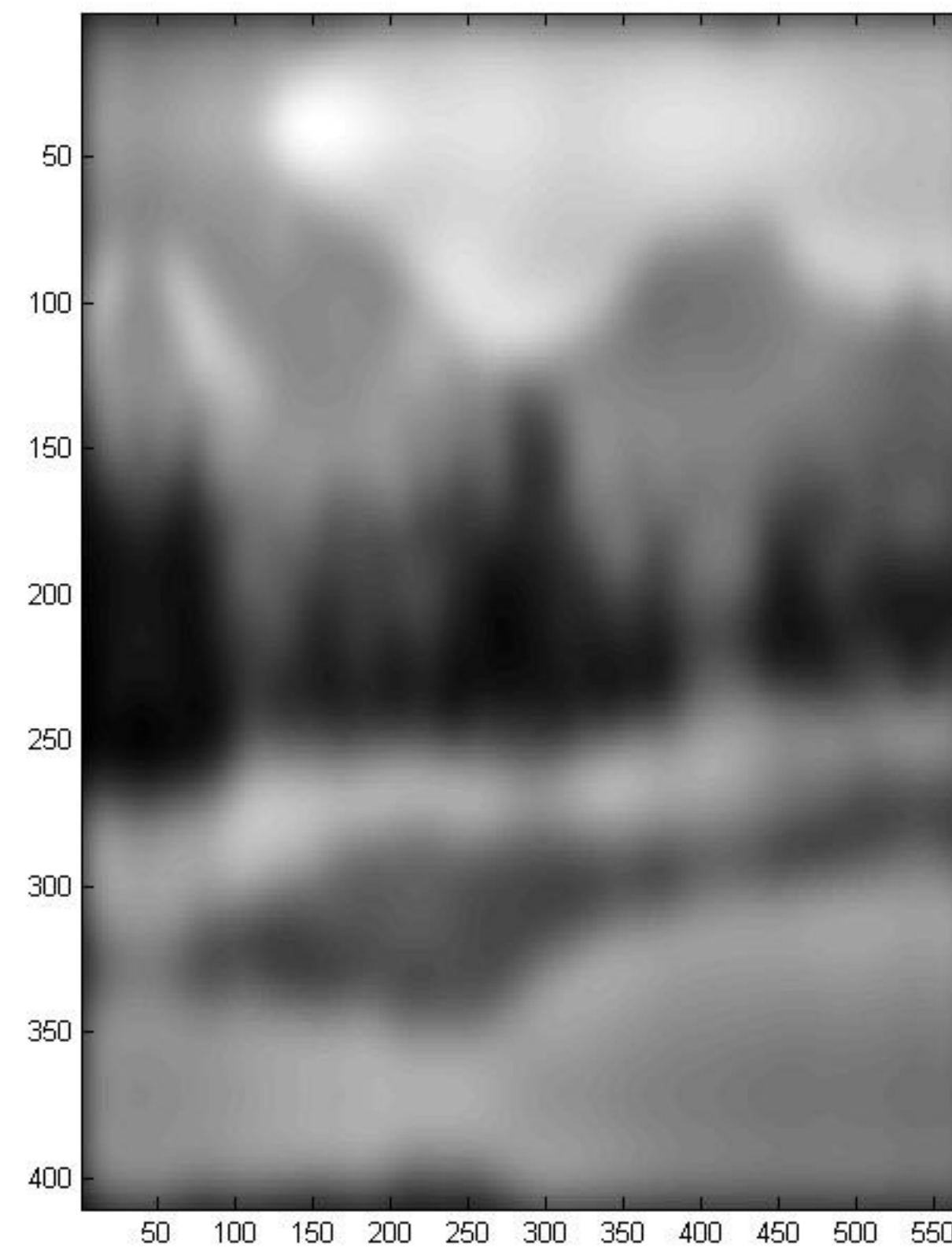
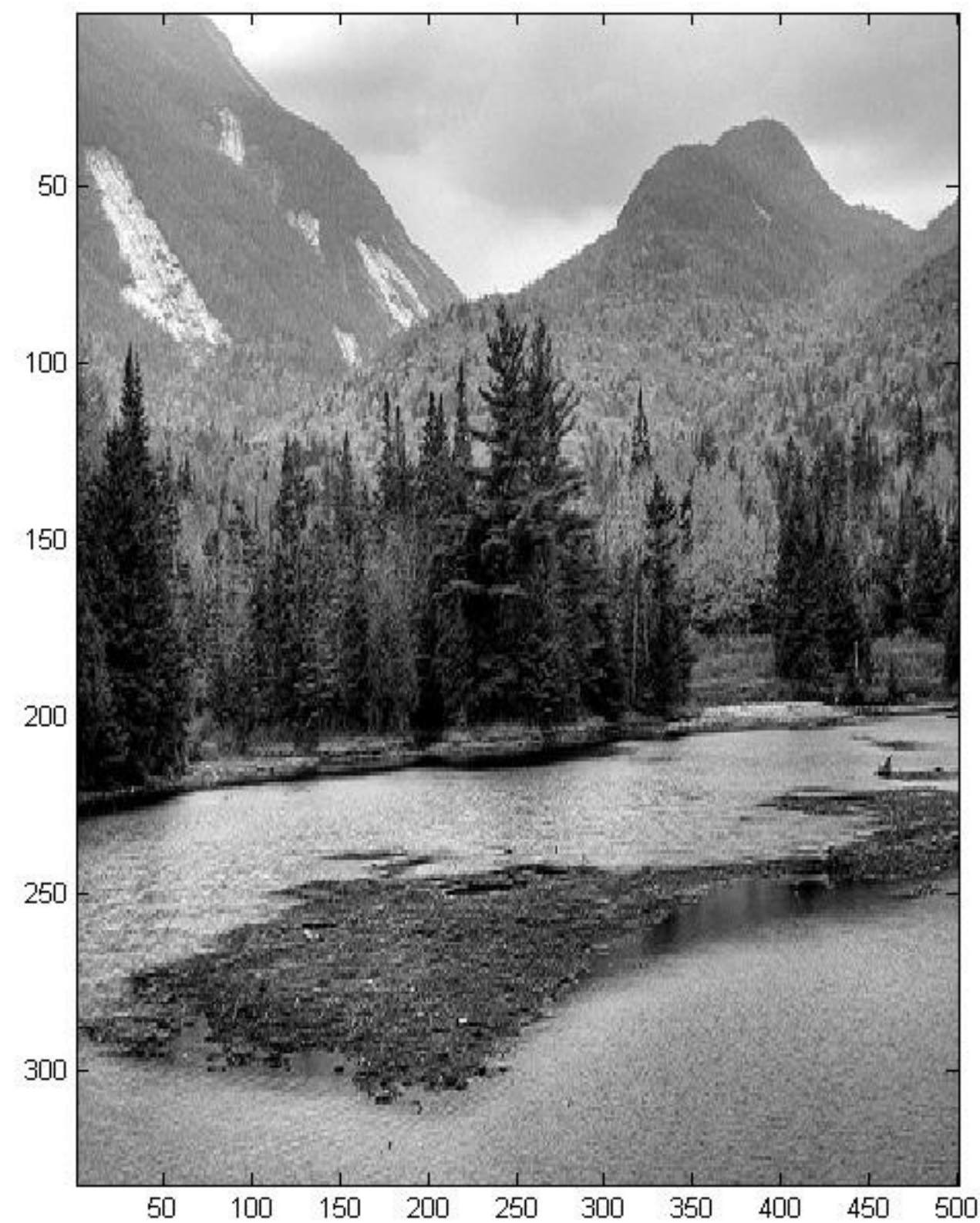
“A Volumetric Method for Building Complex Models from Range Images”

“State of the Art in Surface Reconstruction from Point Clouds”
Berger et al (2014)

Method	Point Cloud Artifacts					Input Requirements					Shape Class	Reconstruction Output
	nonuniform sampling	noise	outliers	misalignment	missing data	unoriented normals	oriented normals	scanner information	RGB image			
Surface Smoothness												
Tangent Planes [HDD*92]	○	○								general	implicit field	
RBF [CBC*01]	○				○		✓			general	implicit field	
MLS [ABCO*03]	○	○				✓				general	point set	
MPU [OBA*03a]	○	○			○		✓			general	implicit field	
Poisson [KBH06]	○	●	○	○	○		✓			general	implicit field	
Graph Cut [HK06]	○	○	○	○	○					general	volumetric segmentation	
Unoriented Indicator [ACSTD07]	○	●	○	○	○	✓				general	implicit field	
LOP [LCOLTE07]	●	●	○	○						general	point set	
Visibility												
VRIP [CL96]	○	●			○			✓		general	implicit field	
TVL1-VRIP [ZPB07]	○	●	○	○	○			✓		general	implicit field	
Signing the Unsigned [MDGD*10]	○	●	●		○	✓				general	implicit field	
Cone Carving [SSZCO10]	○	○			●		✓	✓		general	implicit field	
Multi-Scale Scan Merge [FG11]	●	●			○			✓		general	implicit field	
Volumetric smoothness												
ROSA [TZCO09]	○	○			●		✓			organic	skeleton curve	
Arterial Snakes [LLZM10]	○	○			●		✓			man-made	skeleton curve	
VASE [TOZ*11]	○	○			●			✓		general	implicit field	
l_1 Skeleton [HWCO*13]	○	○			●					organic	skeleton curve	
Geometric Primitives												
Primitive Completion [SDK09]	○	○	○		●		✓			CAD	volumetric segmentation	
Volume Primitives [XF12]	○	○	○		●			✓		indoor environment	interior volume	
Point Restructuring [LA13]	○	○	○	○	○	✓		✓		general	volumetric segmentation	
CCDT [vKvLV13]	○	○	○		○	✓		✓		urban environment	volumetric segmentation	
Global Regularity												
Symmetry [PMW*08]	○	○			●	✓				architectural	point set	
Nonlocal Consolidation [ZSW*10]	●	○	○		●	✓				architectural	point set	
2D-3D Facades [LZS*11]	○	○			●	✓			✓	architectural	point set	
Globfit [LWC*11]	●	○	○	●		✓				man-made	primitive relations	
Data-driven												
Completion by Example [PMG*05]	○	○			●		✓			general	point set	
Semantic Modeling [SXZ*12]	○	○			●	✓			✓	indoor scene objects	deformed model	
Shape Variability [KMYG12]	○	○			●	✓				indoor scene objects	deformed model	
Part Composition [SFCH12]	○	○			●	✓			✓	man-made	deformed model parts	
Interactive												
Topological Scribble [SLS*07]	○	○			●		✓			general	implicit field	
Smartboxes [NSZ*10]	●	○	○		●	✓				architectural	primitive shapes	
O-Snap [ASF*13]	○	○	○		●	✓				architectural	primitive shapes	

“A very attractive aspect of Delaunay methods is that they come with guarantees if a sufficiently dense sampling of the input surface is provided ... These methods place rather strong requirements on the point cloud and are impractical for real-world scenes containing significant imperfections.”

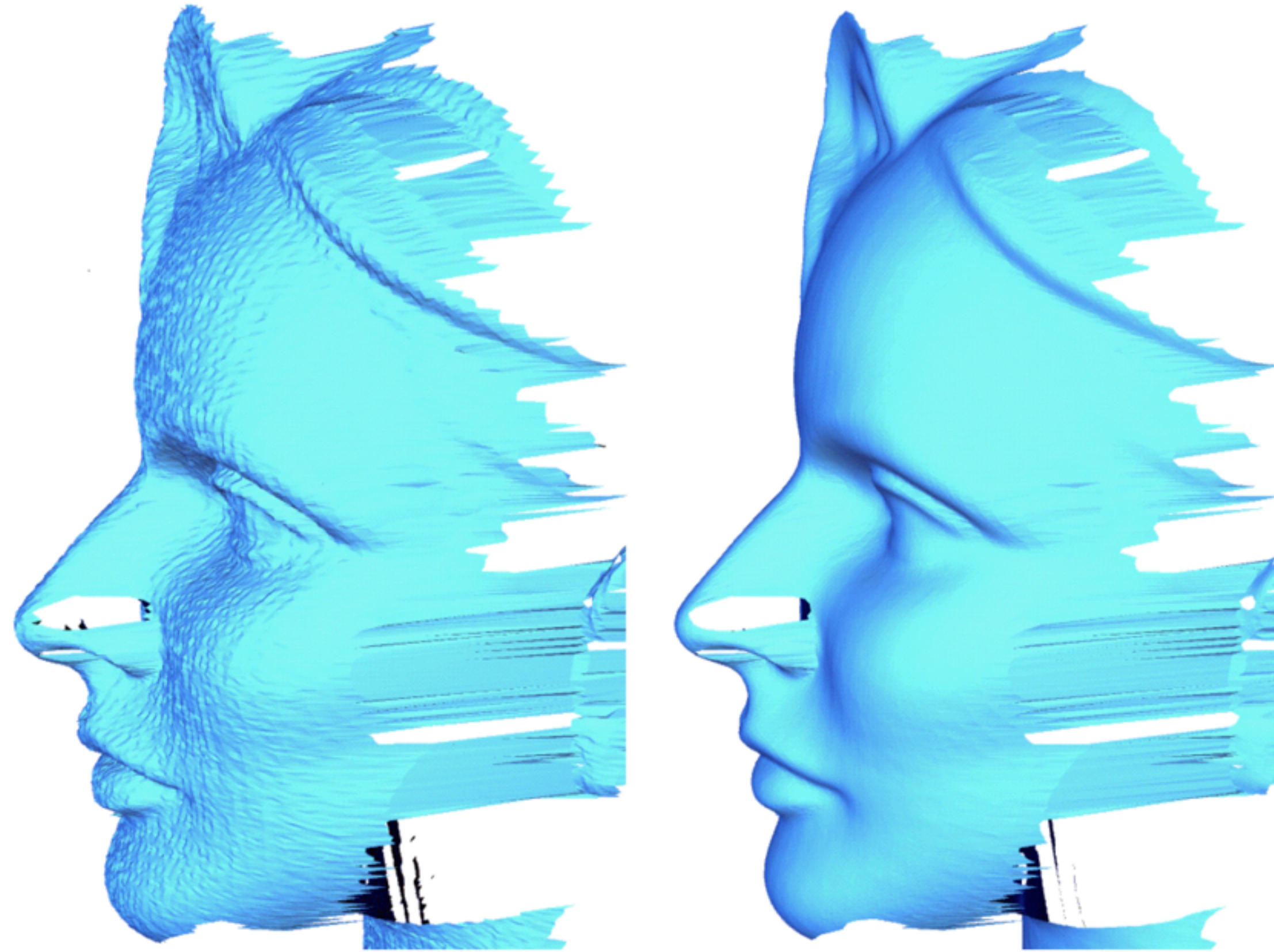




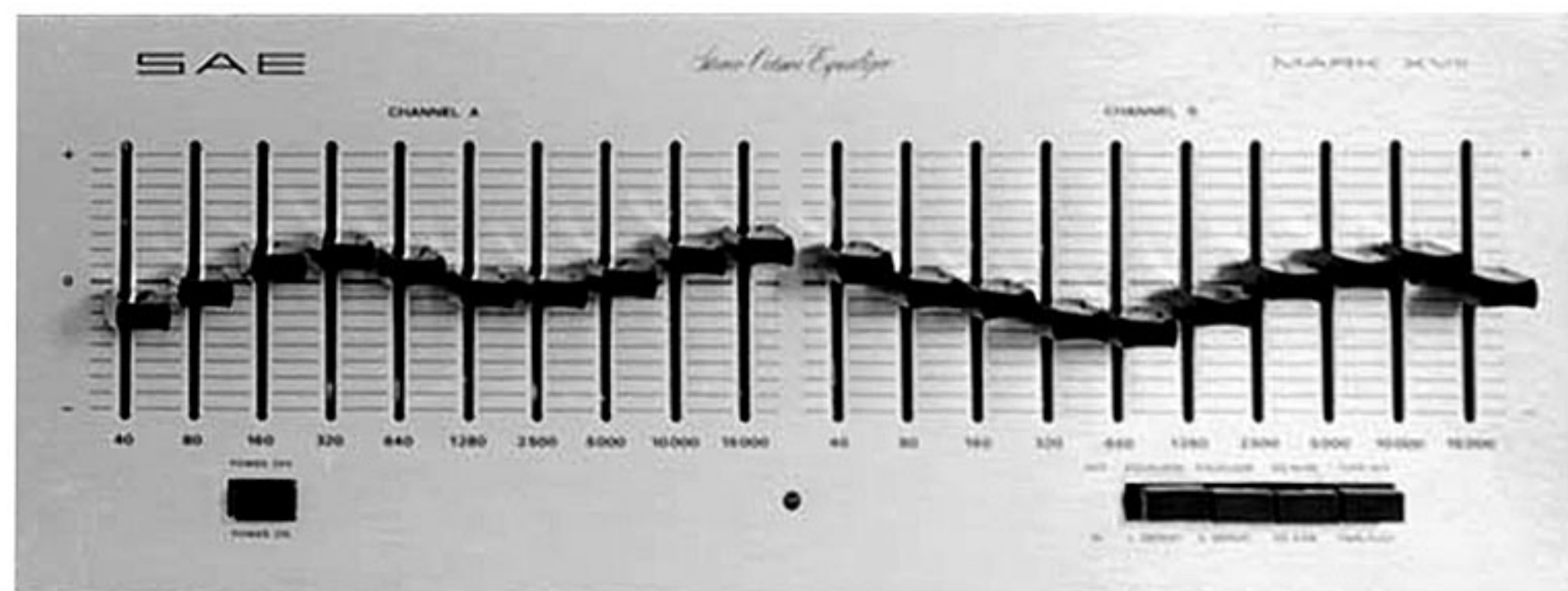
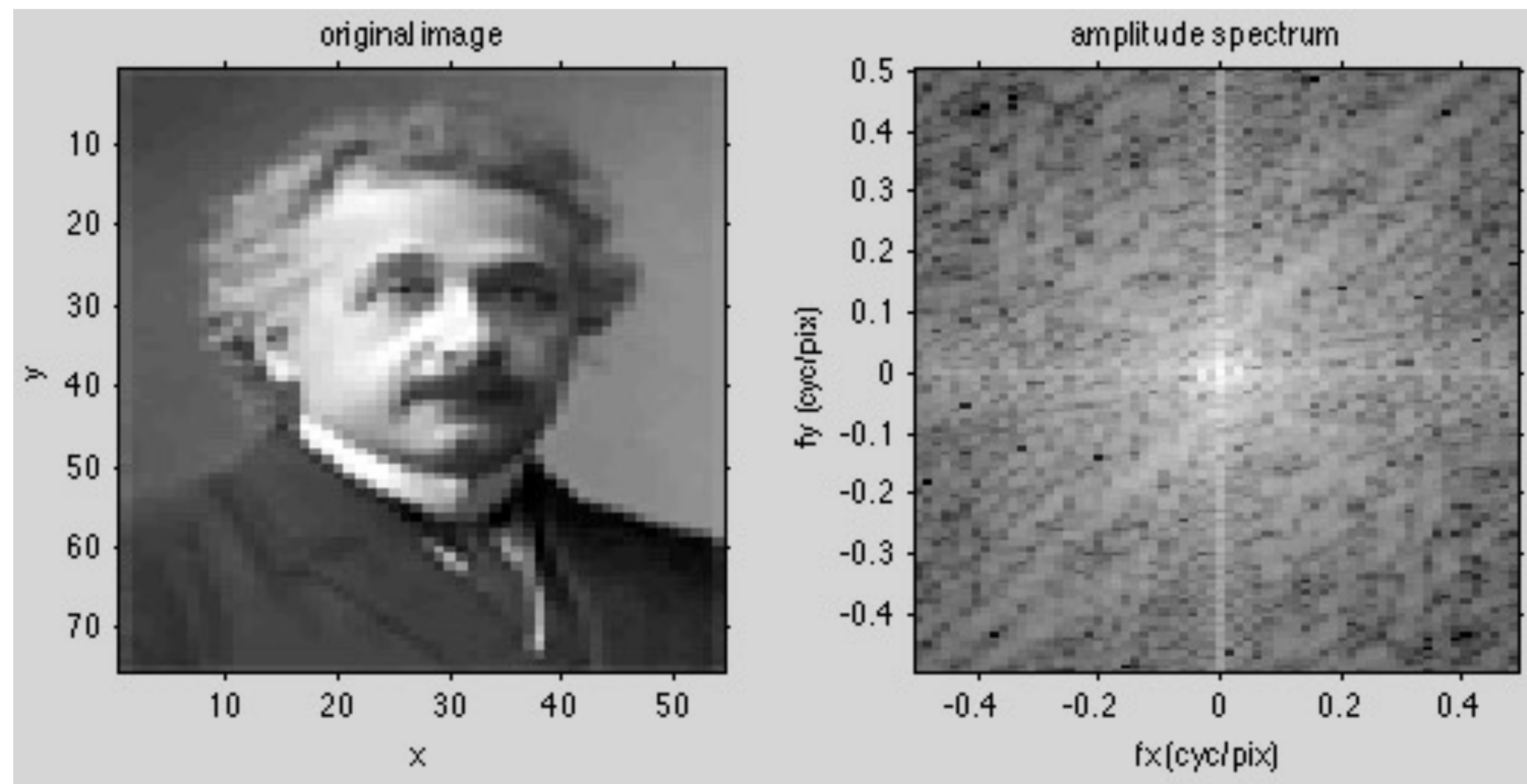
$$(f * k)(x) := \int_{\Omega} f(x)k(x - y)dy$$

“Implicit Fairing of Irregular Meshes using Diffusion and Curvature Flow”

Desbrun et al (1999)

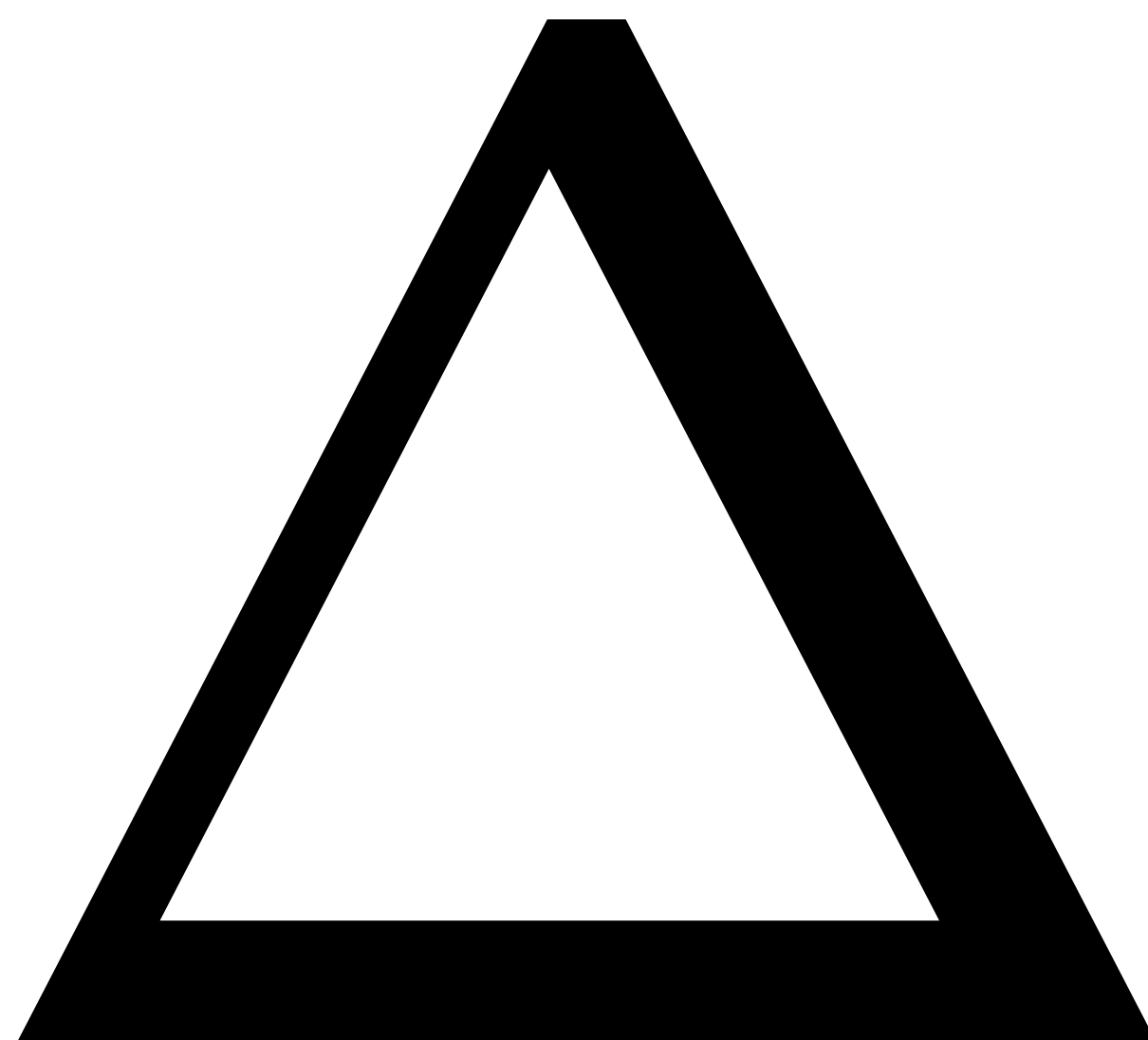


$$\frac{d}{dt} f = \Delta f$$

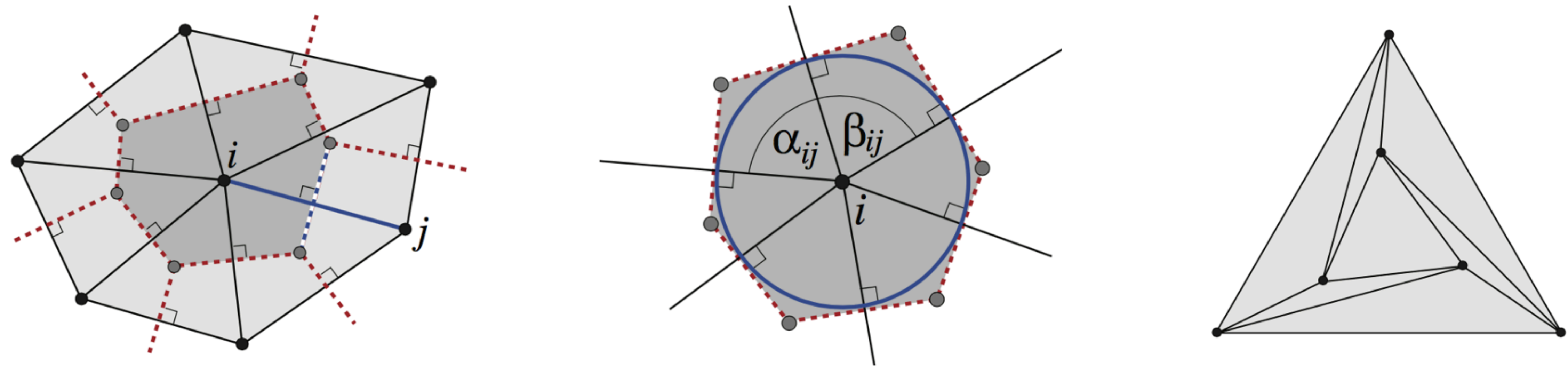


There is no FFT
for geometry.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \cos(nx) = -n^2 \cos(nx)$$

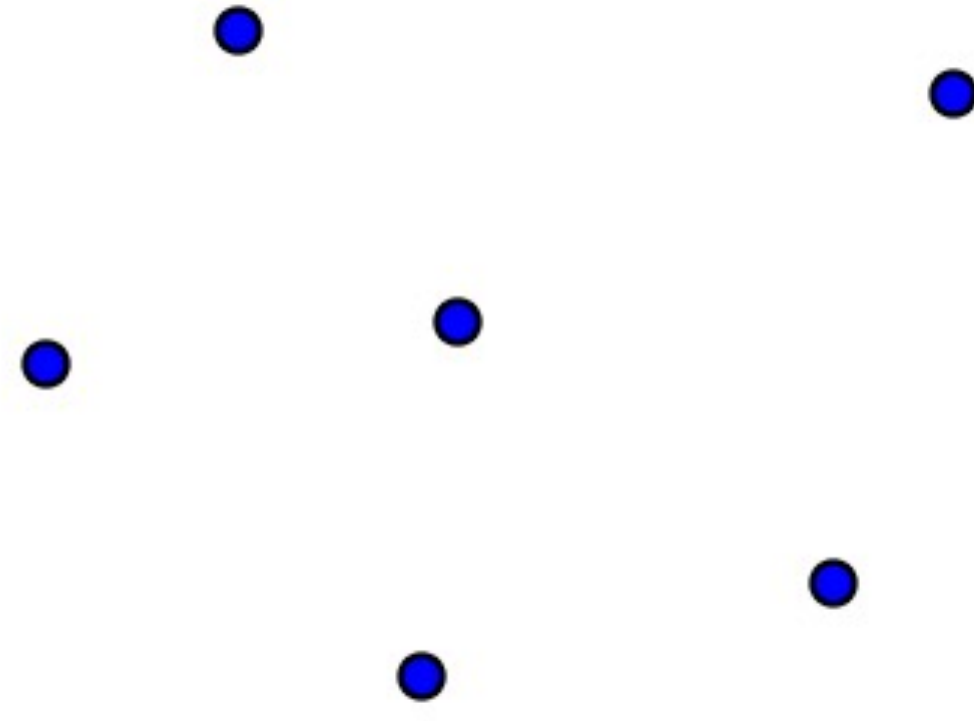


“Discrete Laplace Operators: No Free Lunch”
Wardetzky et al (2007)

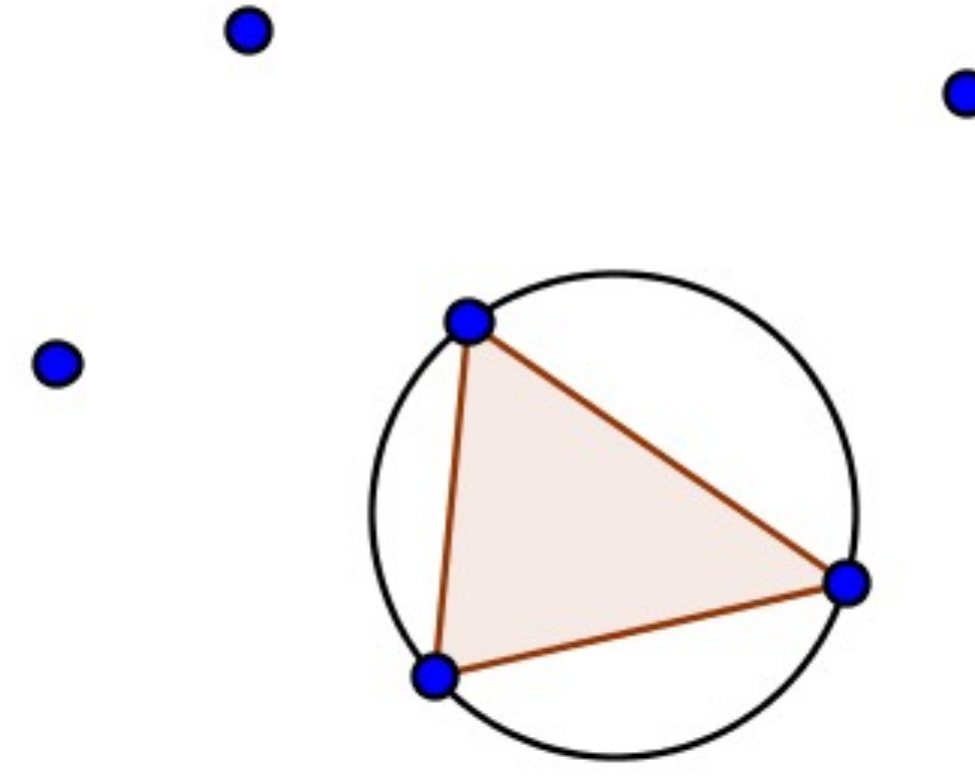


	SYM	LOC	LIN	POS	PSD	CON
MEAN VALUE	○	●	●	●	○	○
INTRINSIC DEL	●	○	●	●	●	?
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COTAN	●	●	●	○	●	●

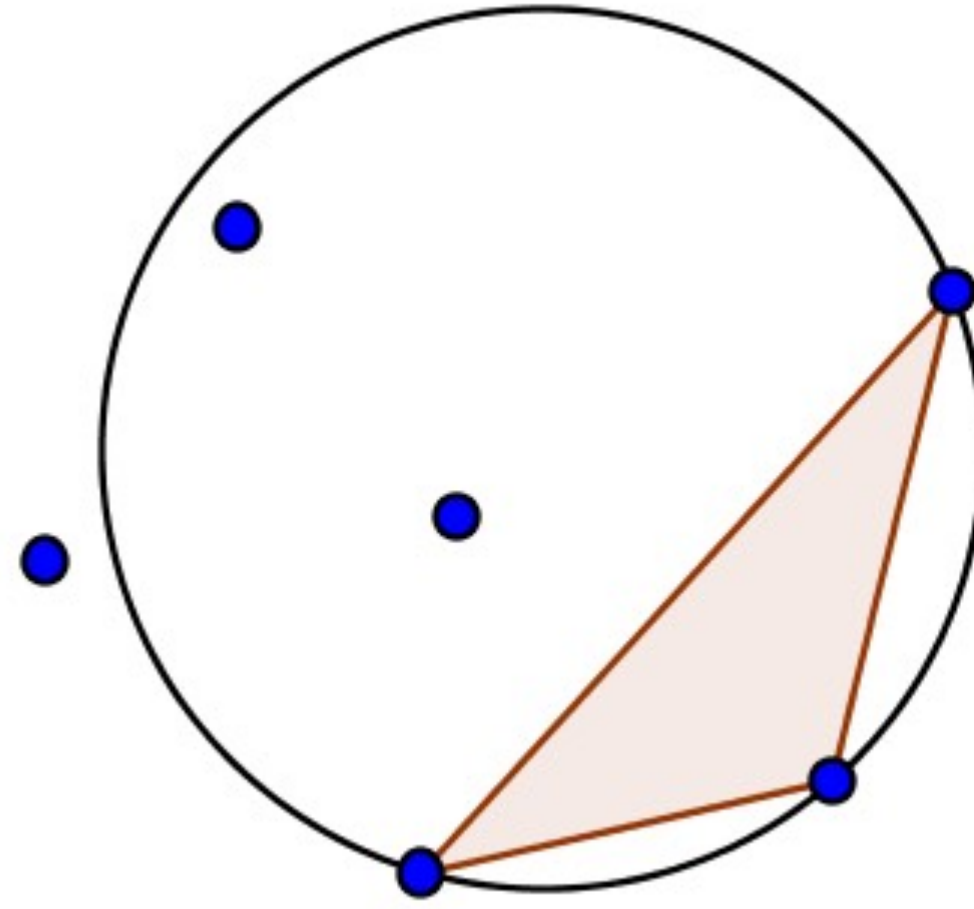
Observe that none of the Laplacians considered in graphics fulfill *all* desired properties. Even more: none of them satisfy the first four properties. This is not a coincidence.



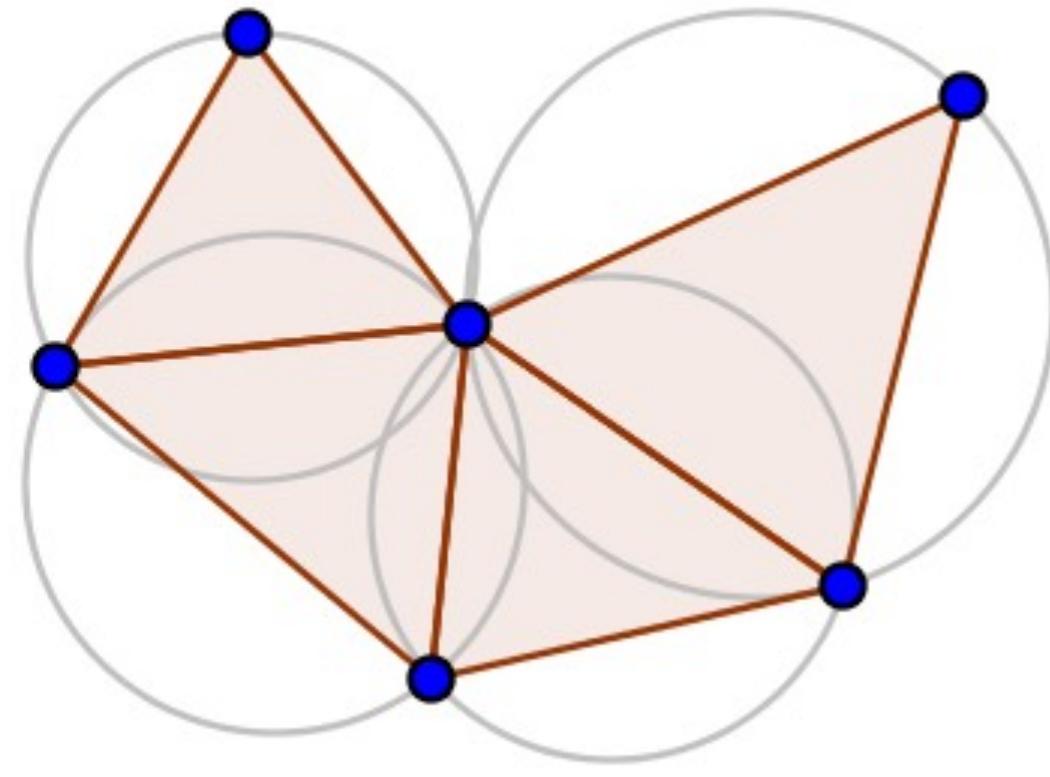
A collection of points



A Delaunay triangle



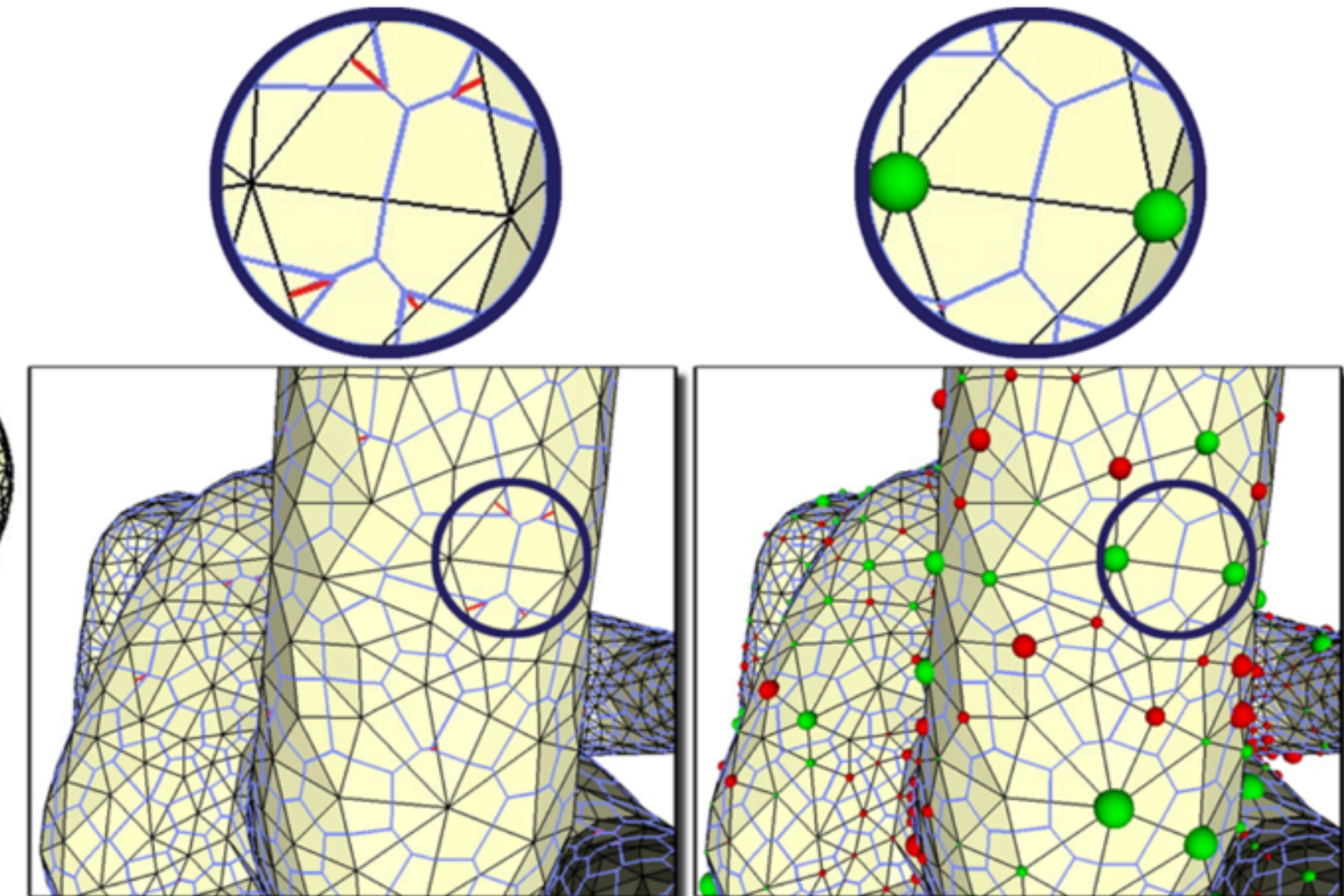
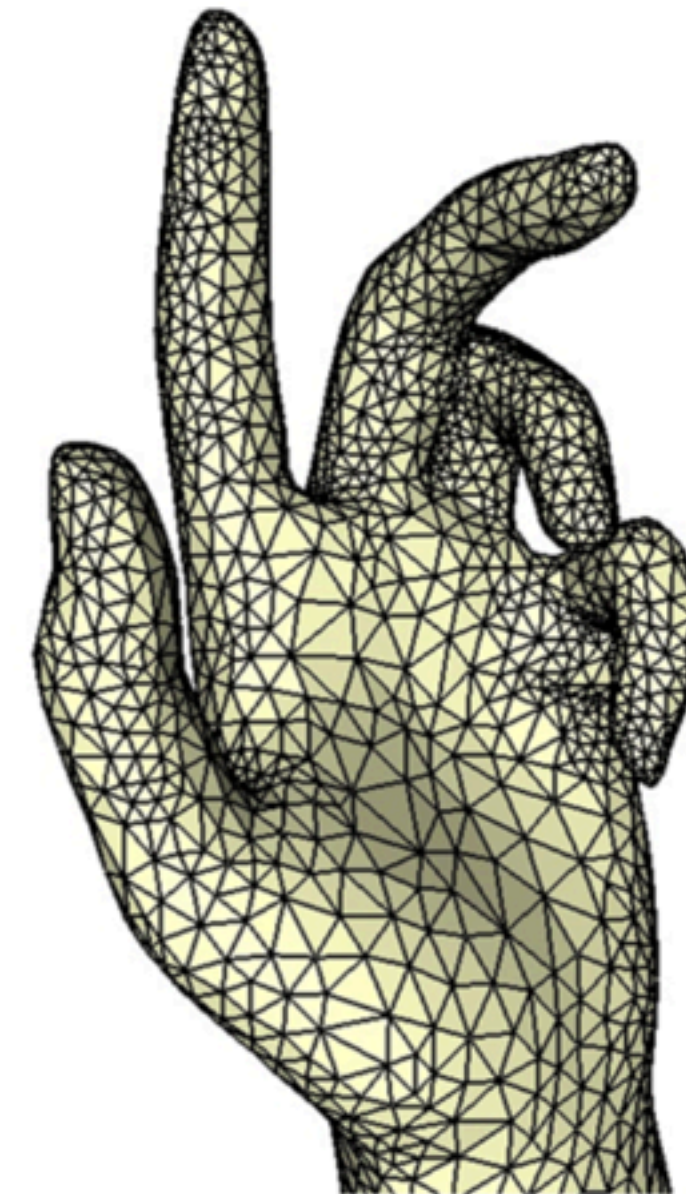
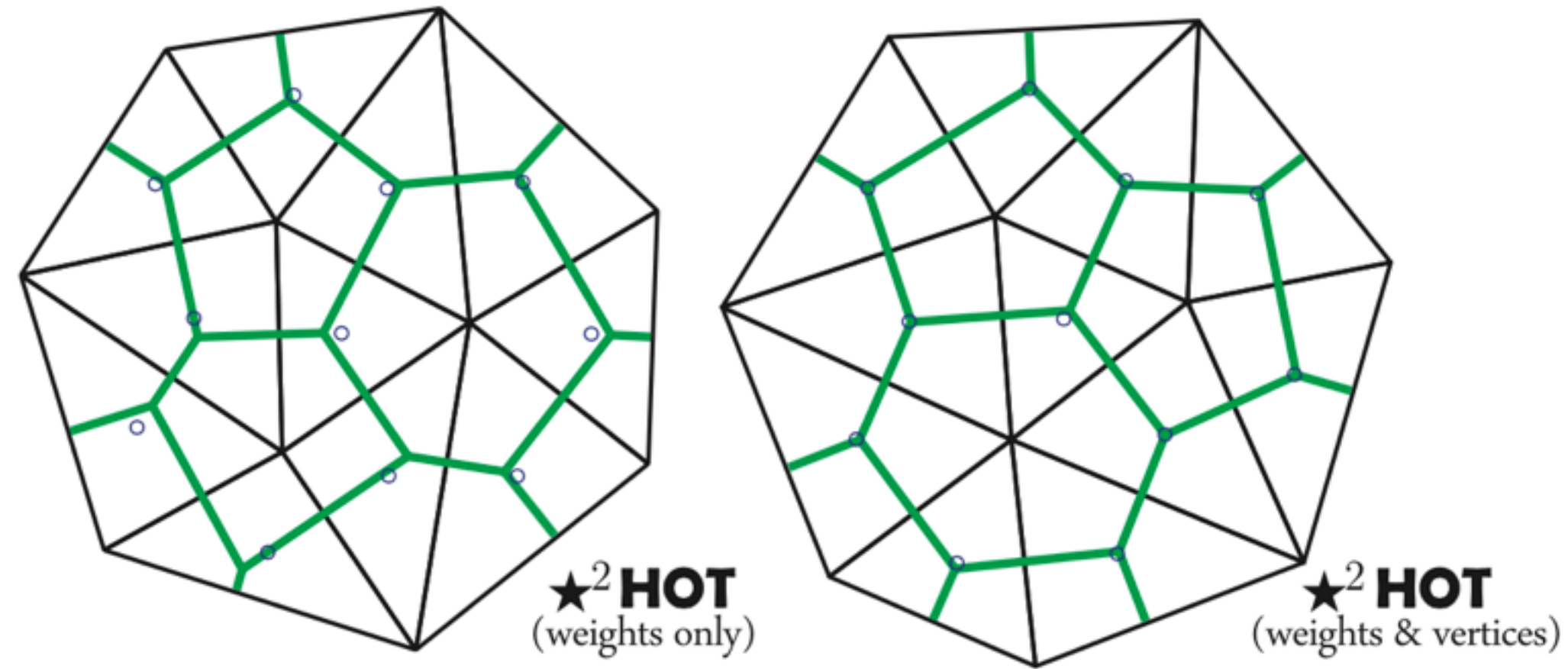
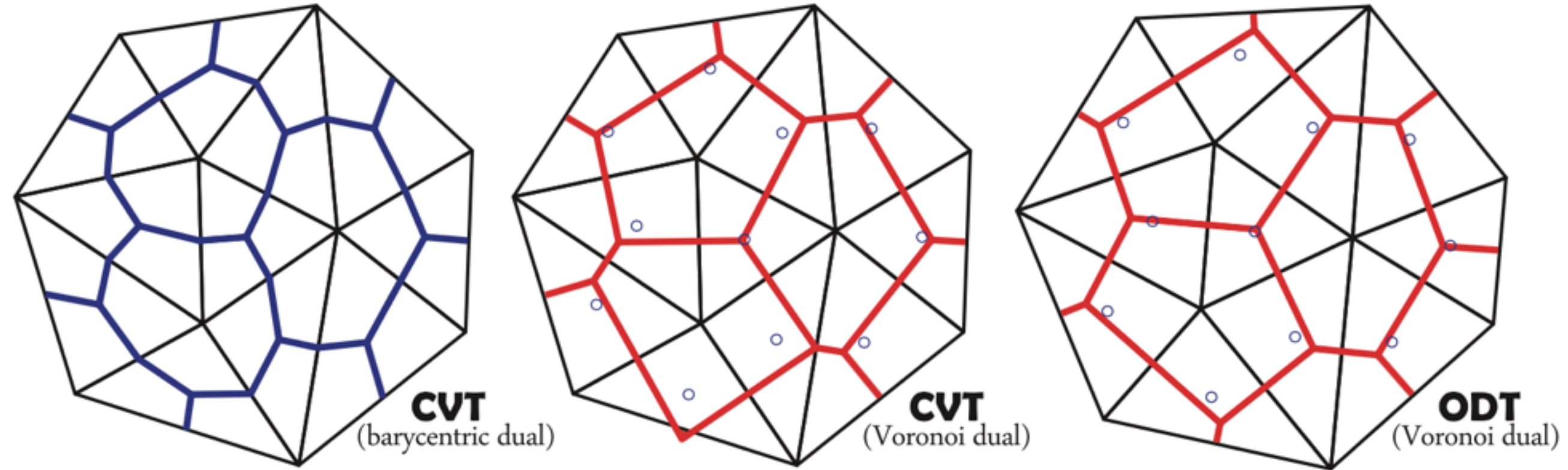
A non-Delaunay triangle



A Delaunay triangulation

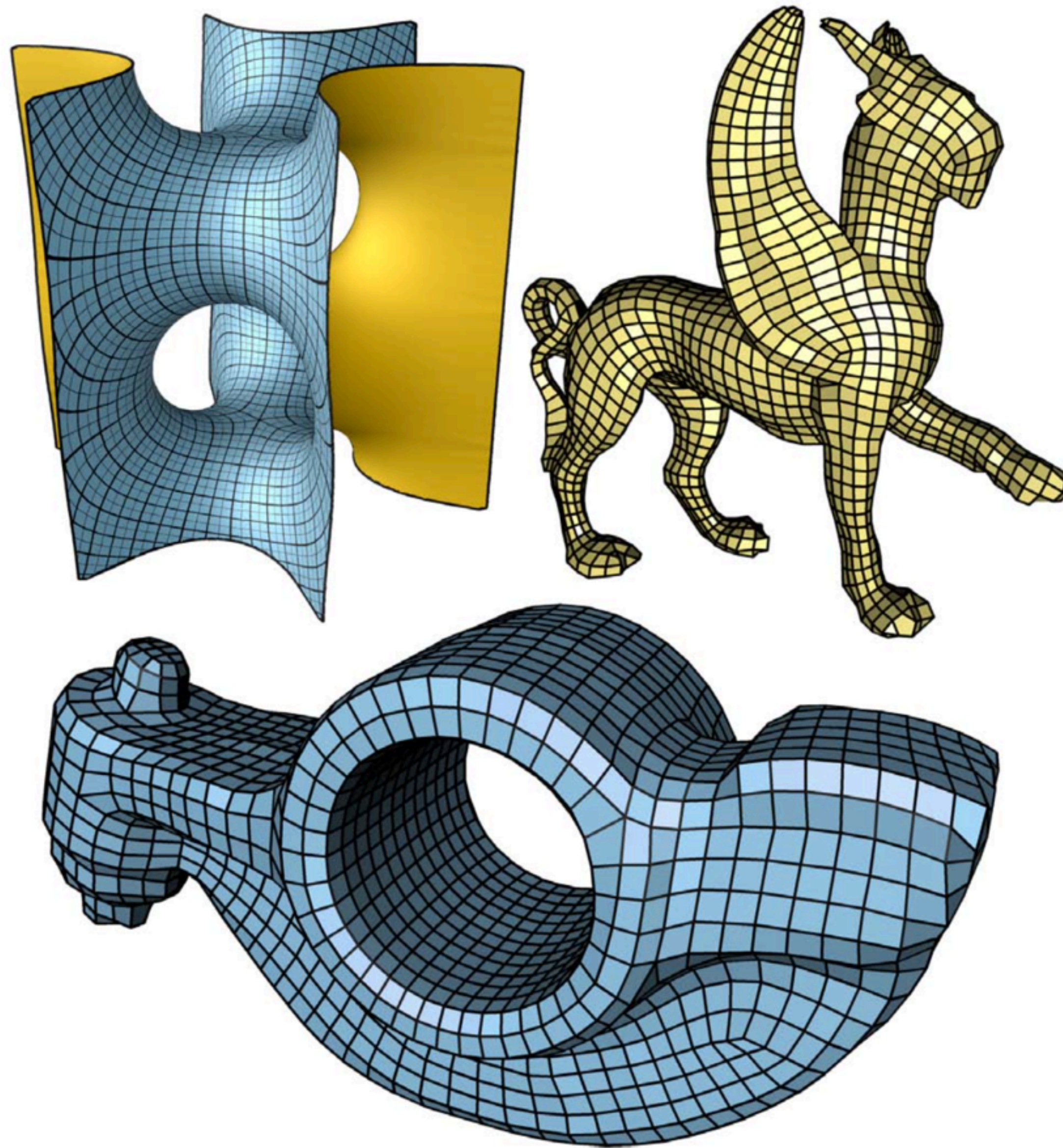
“Hodge Optimized Triangulations”

Mullen et al (2011)

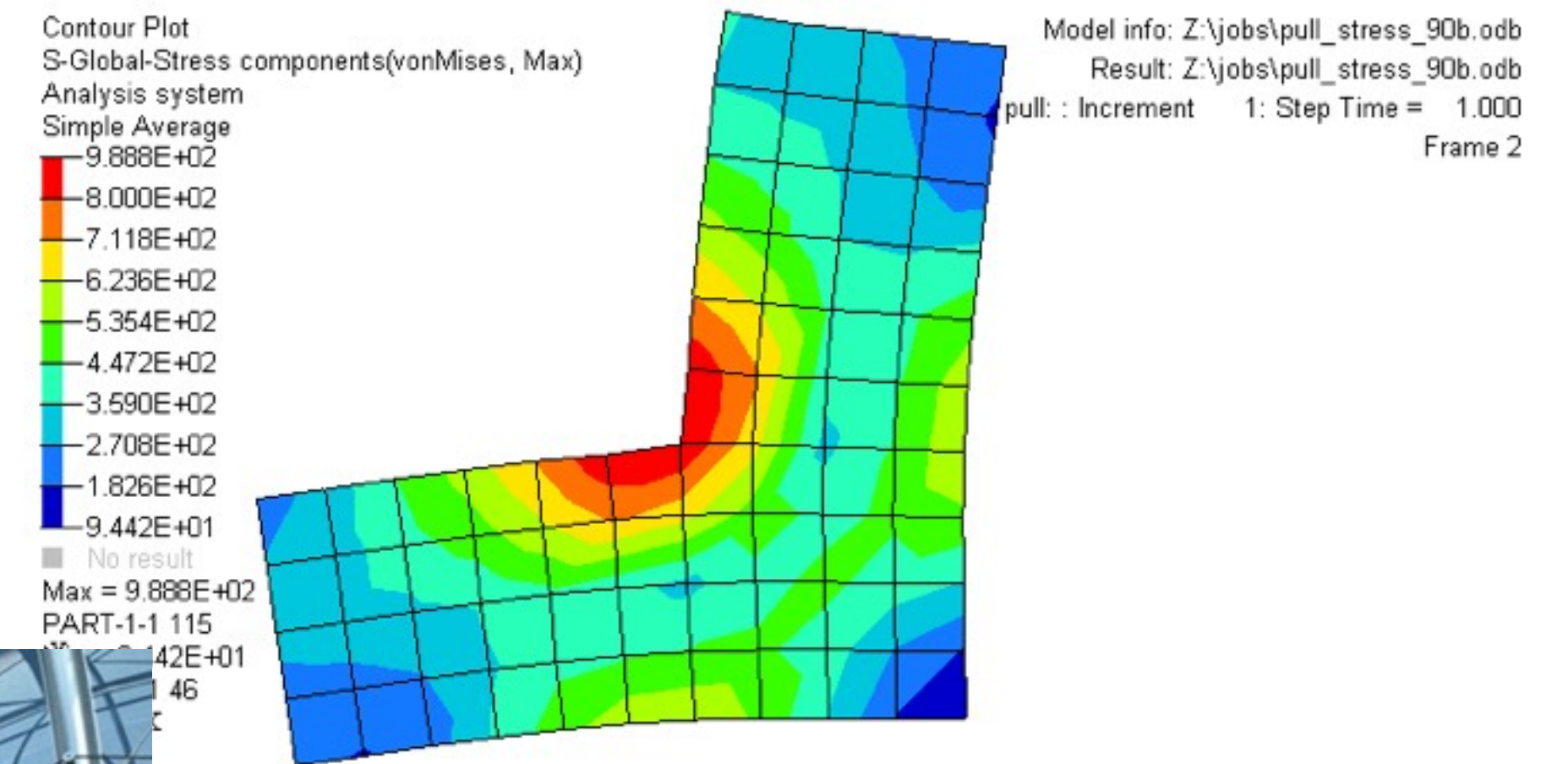
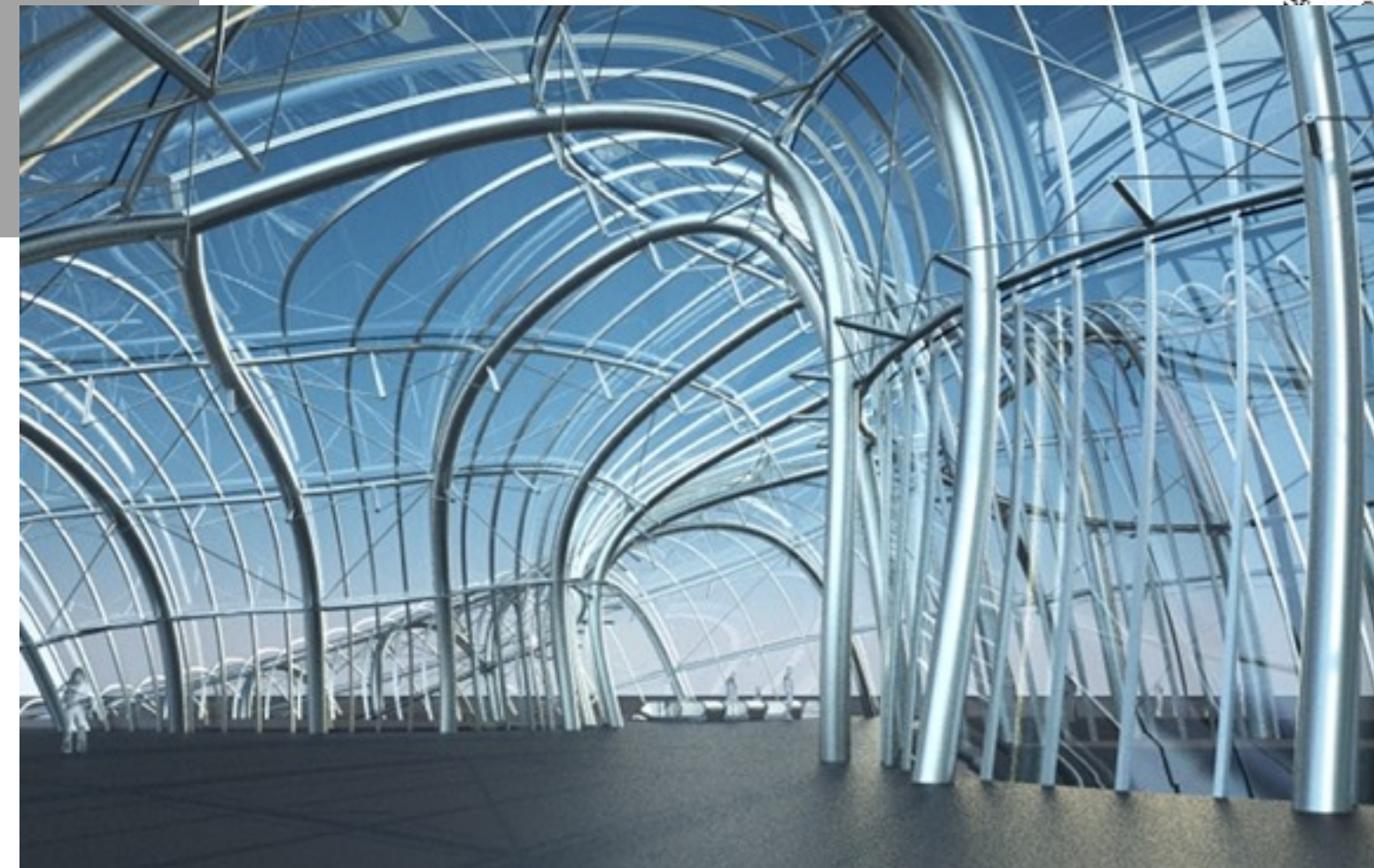
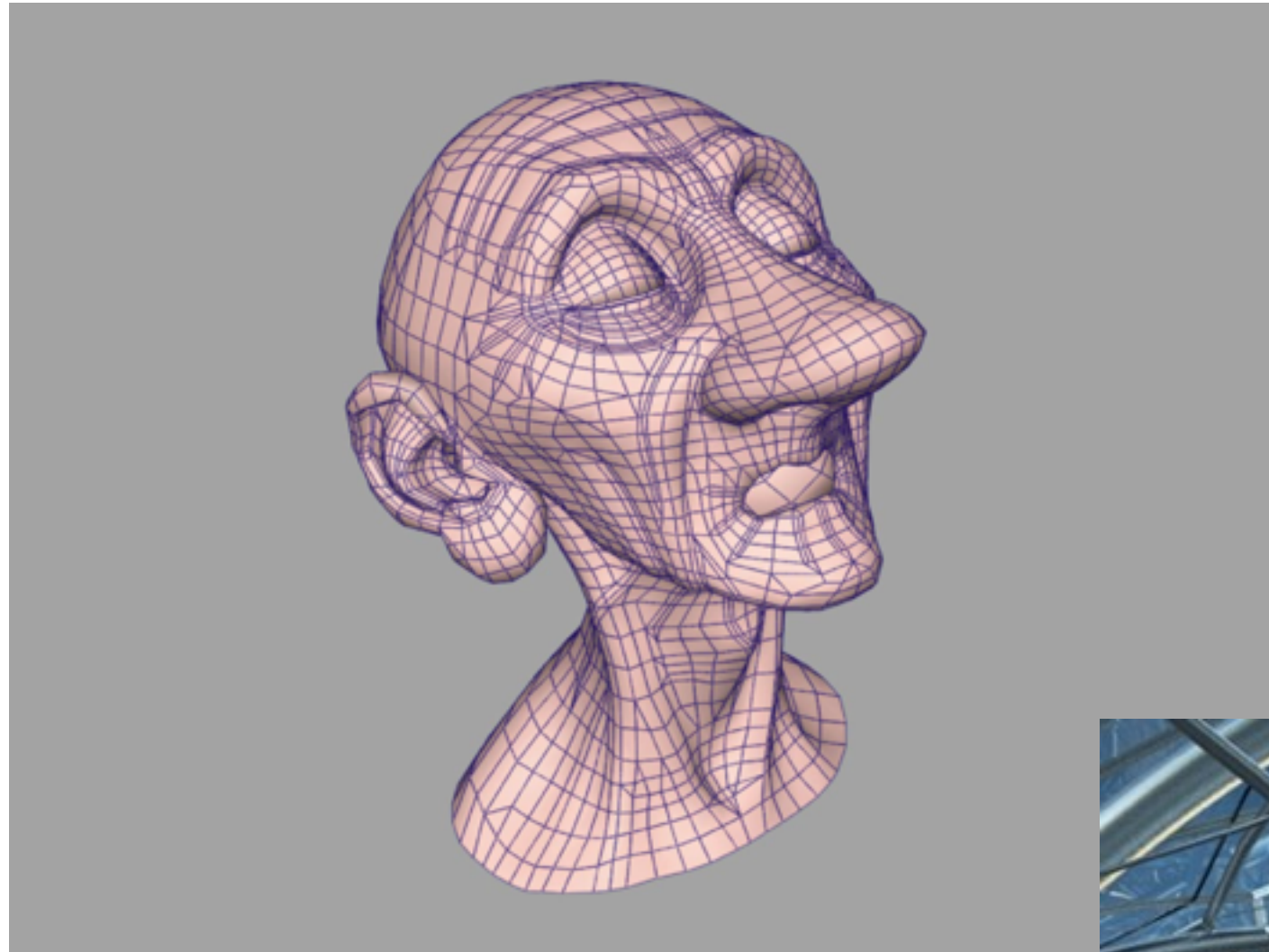


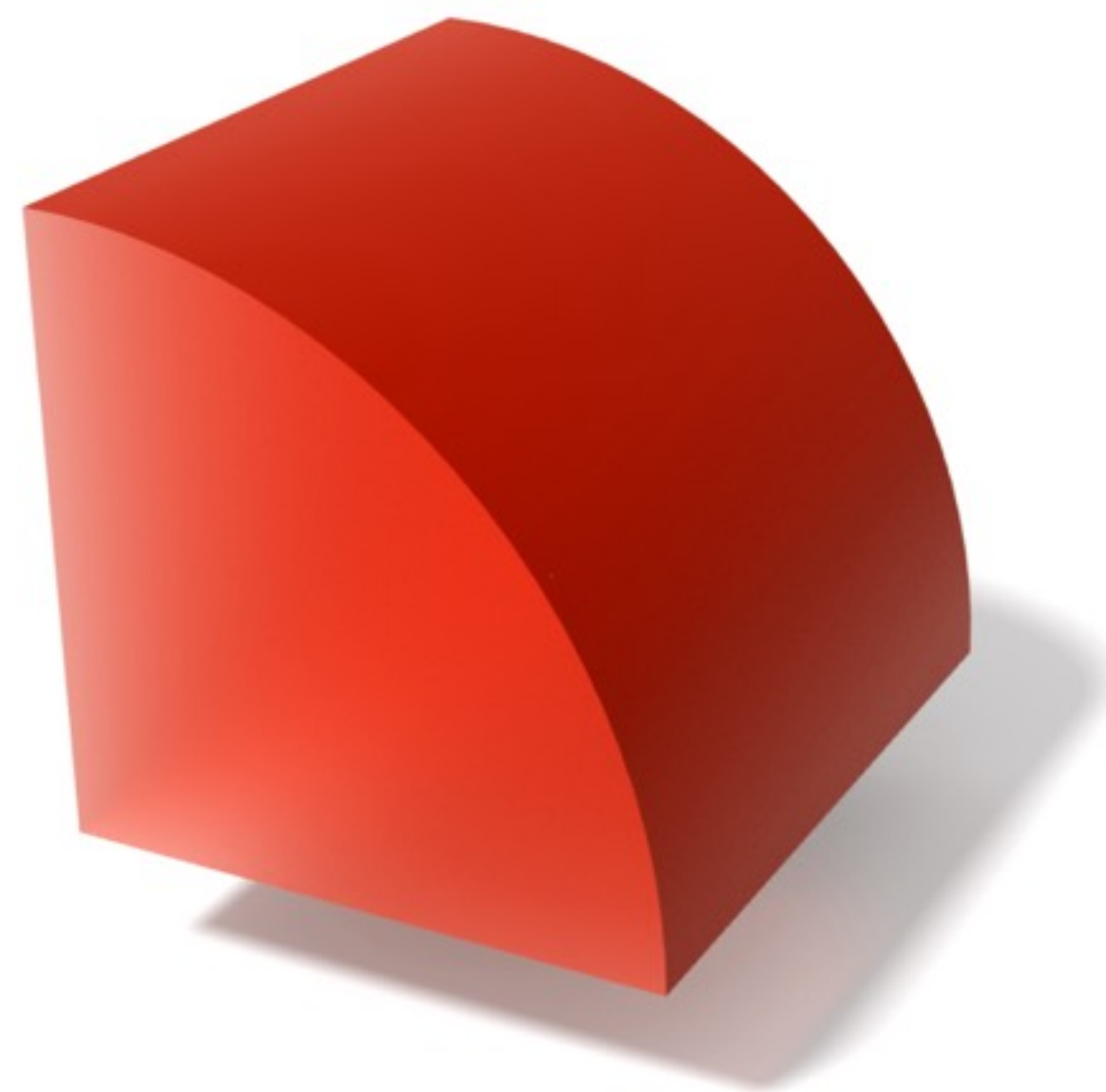
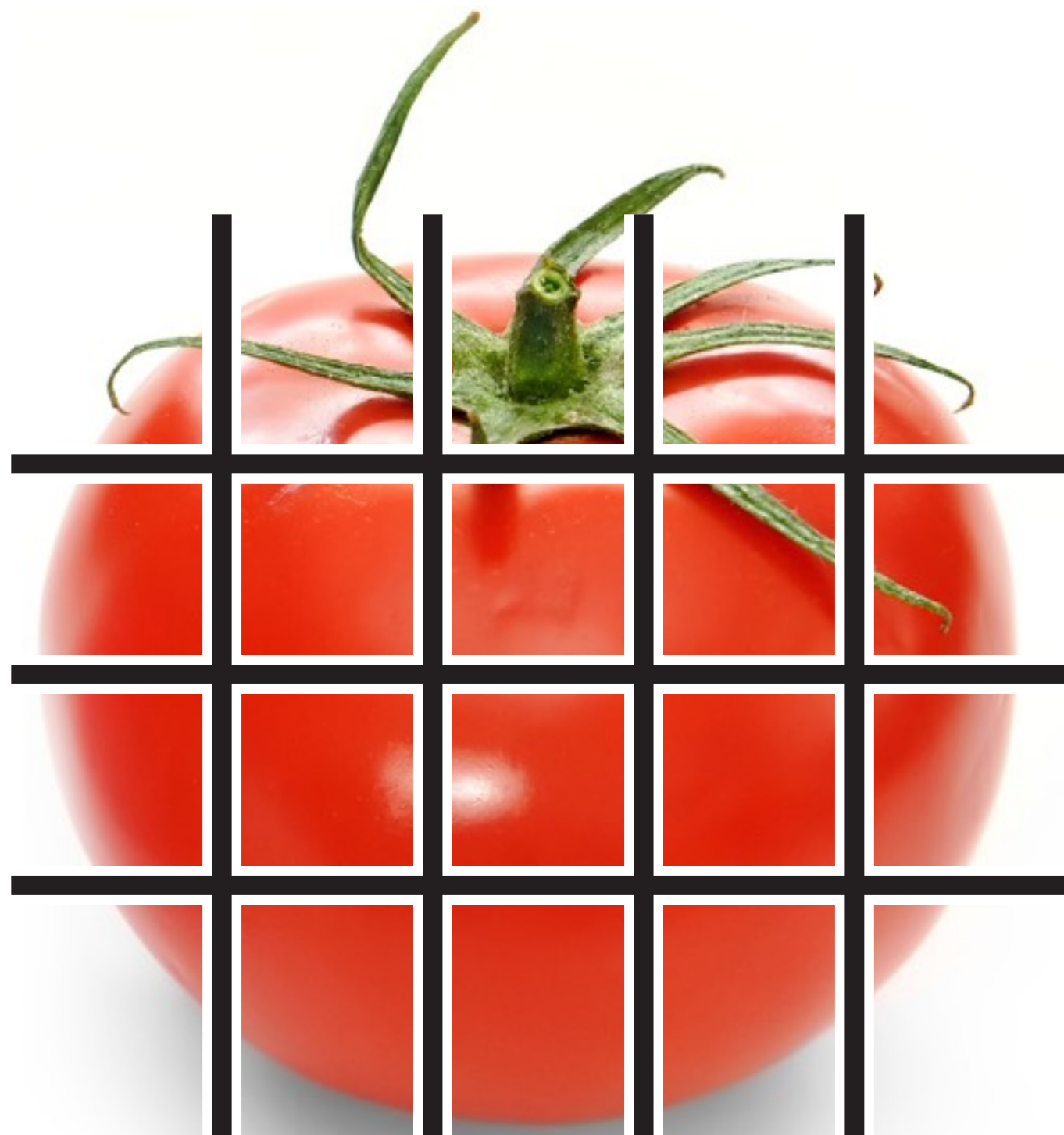
“QuadCover: Surface Parameterization using Branched Coverings”

Kälberer et al (2007)

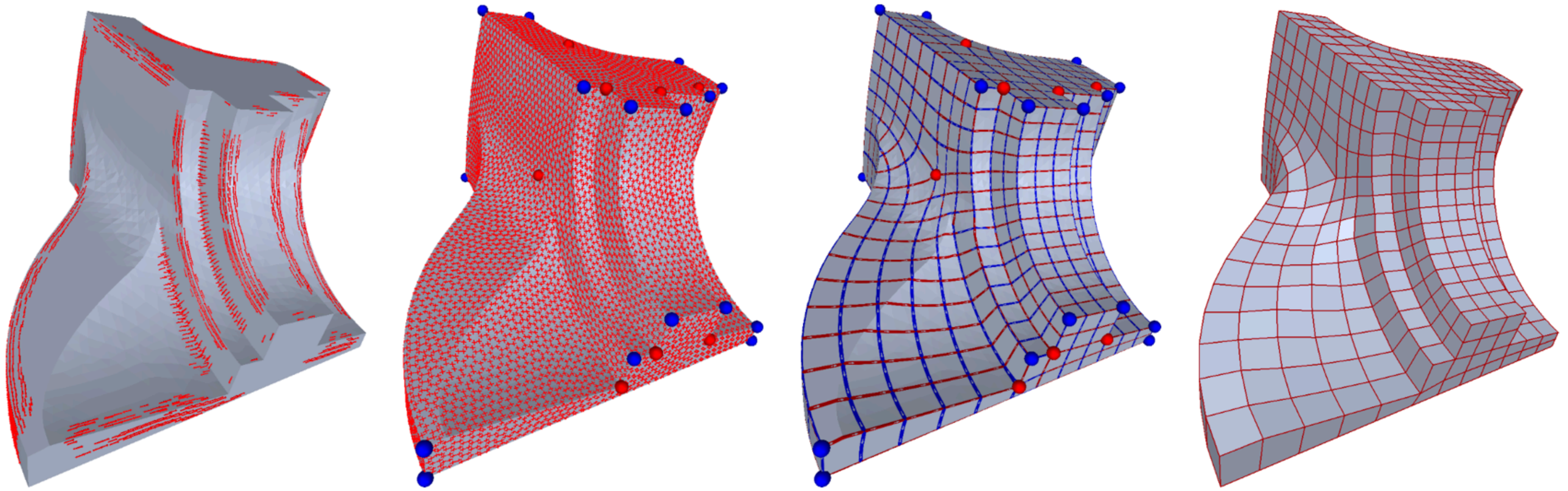


The quad meshing problem is not well-defined!





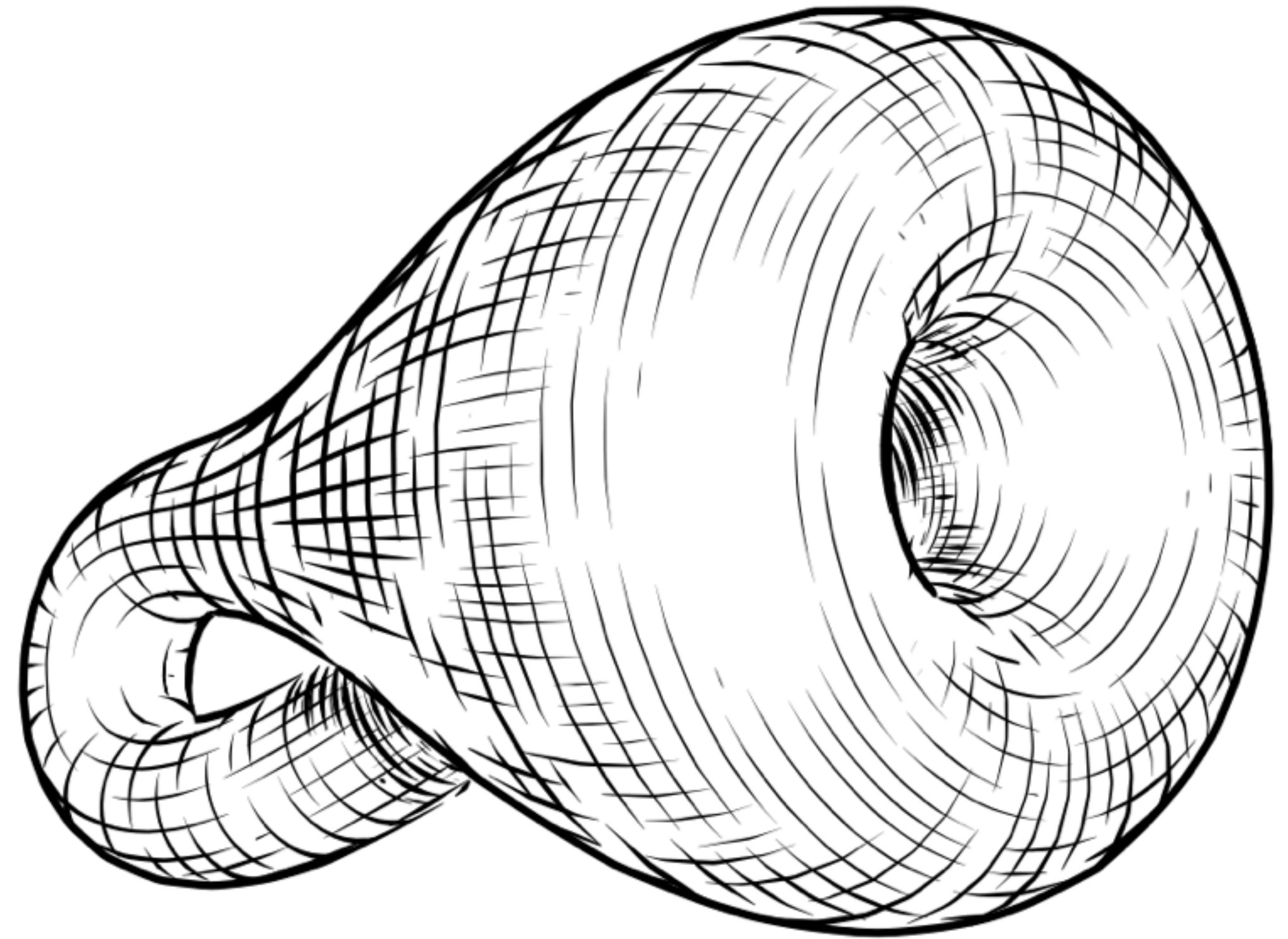
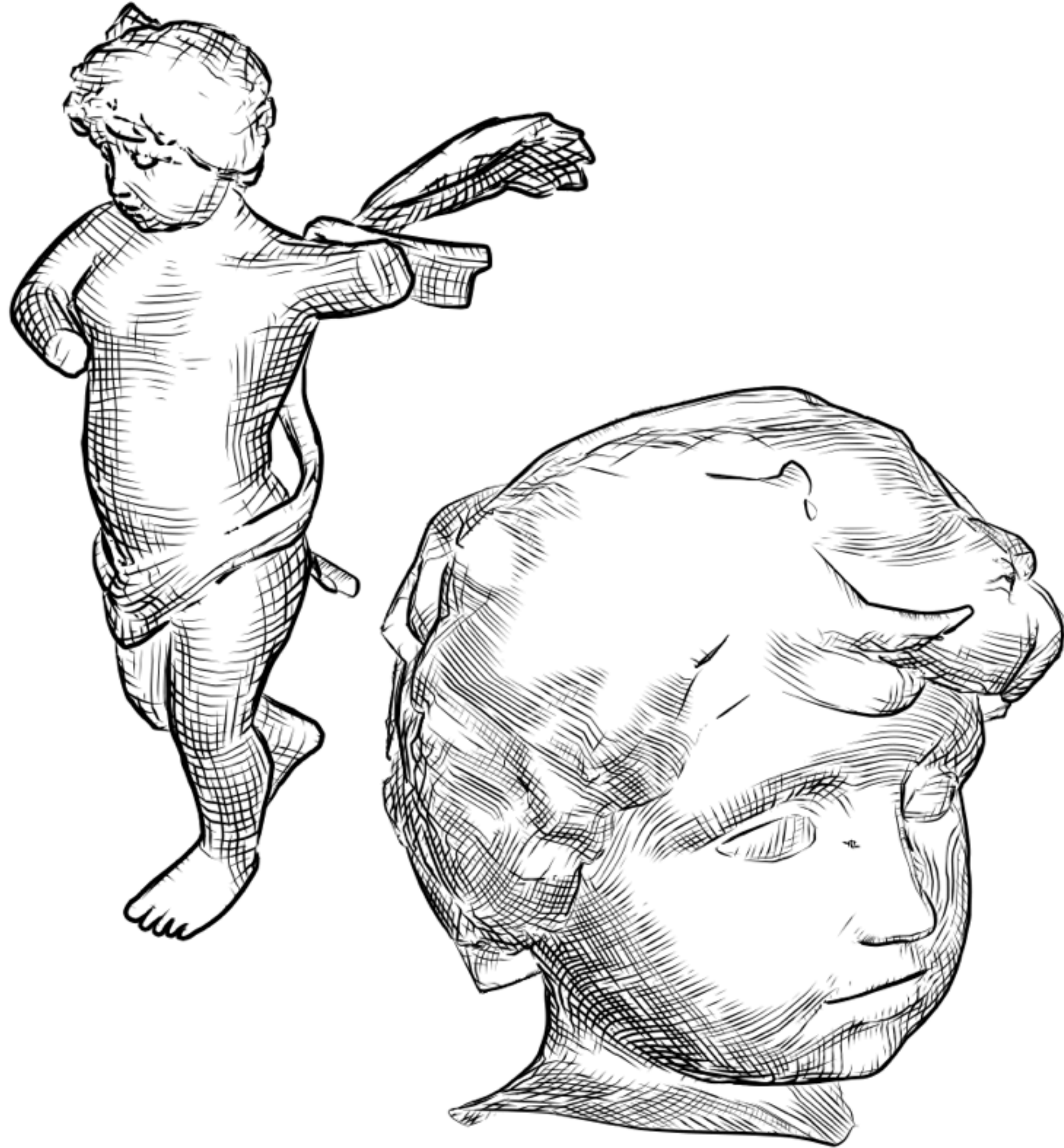
“Mixed Integer Quadrangulation”
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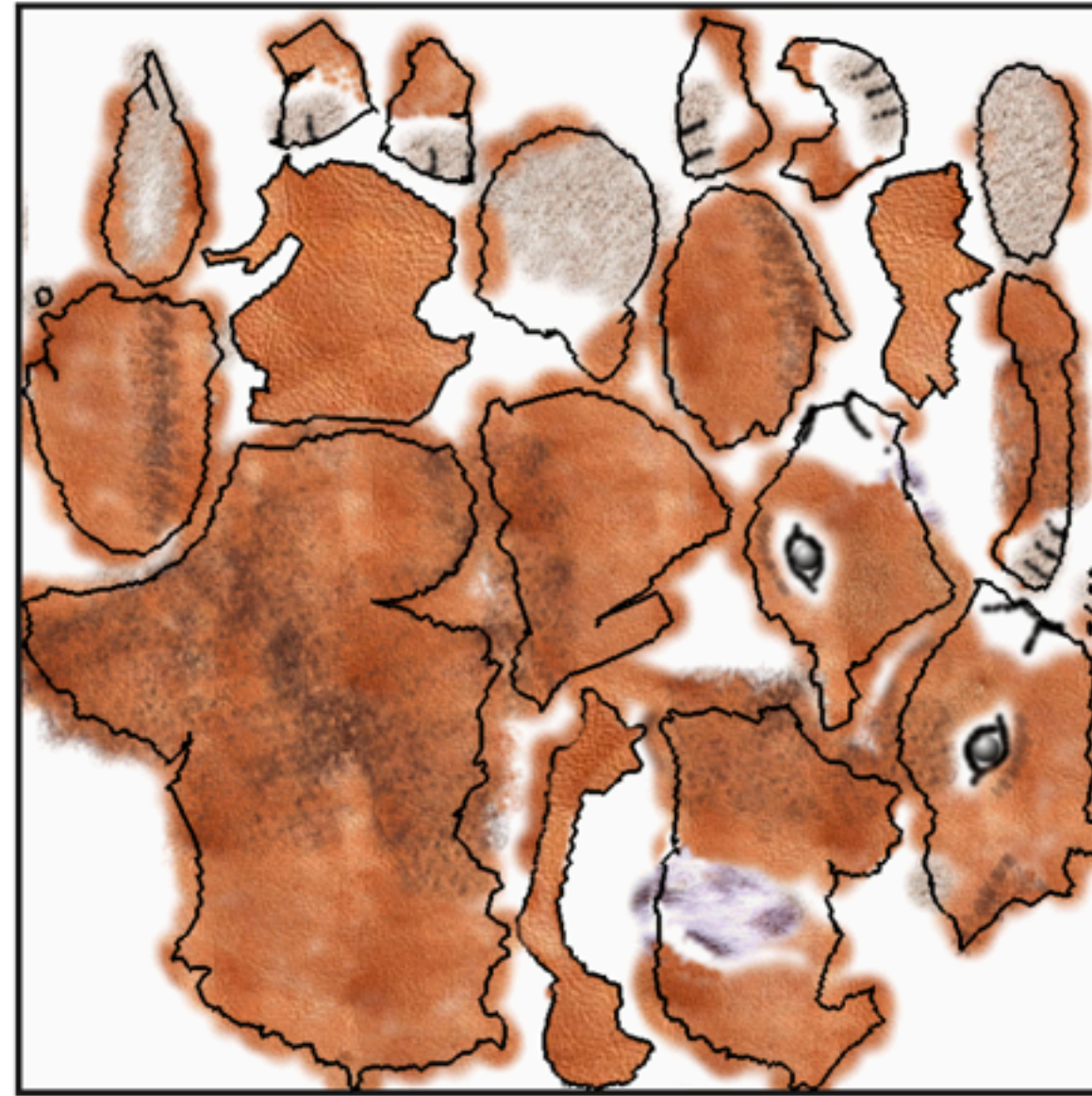
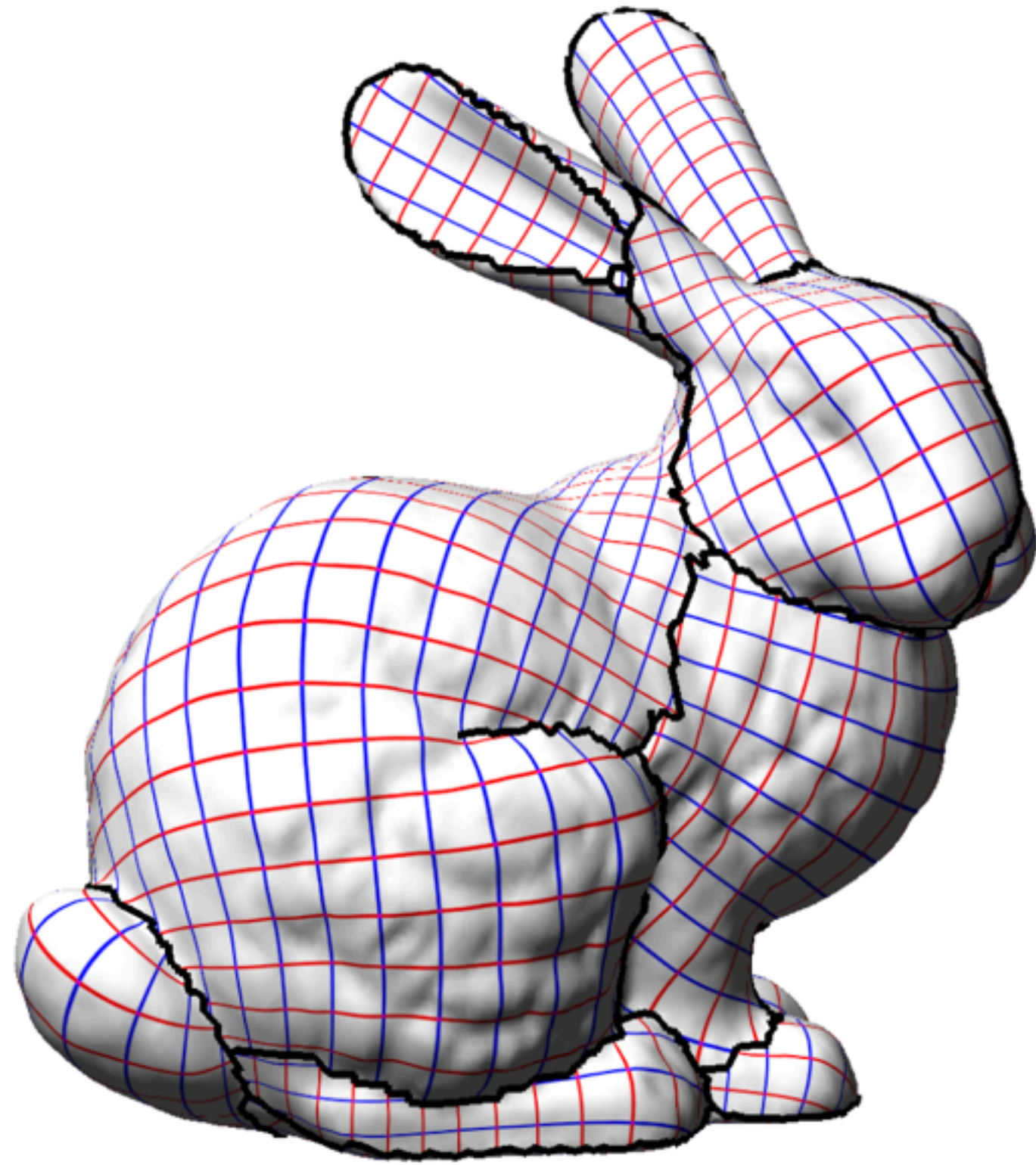
“An Operator Approach to Tangent Vector Field Processing”
Azencot et al (2013)



“Illustrating smooth surfaces”
Hertzmann & Zorin (2000)

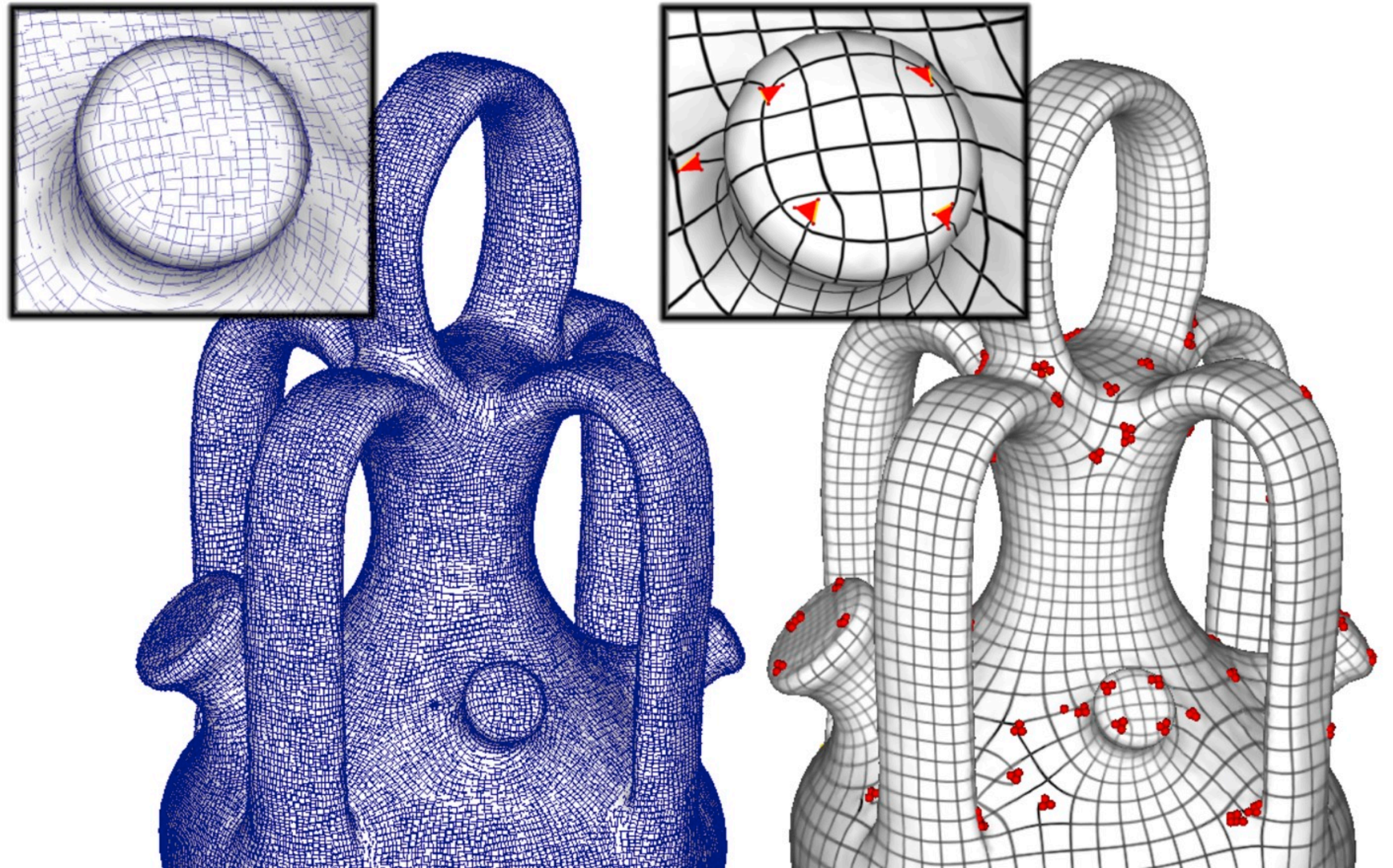


“Least Squares Conformal Maps”
Lévy et al (2000)



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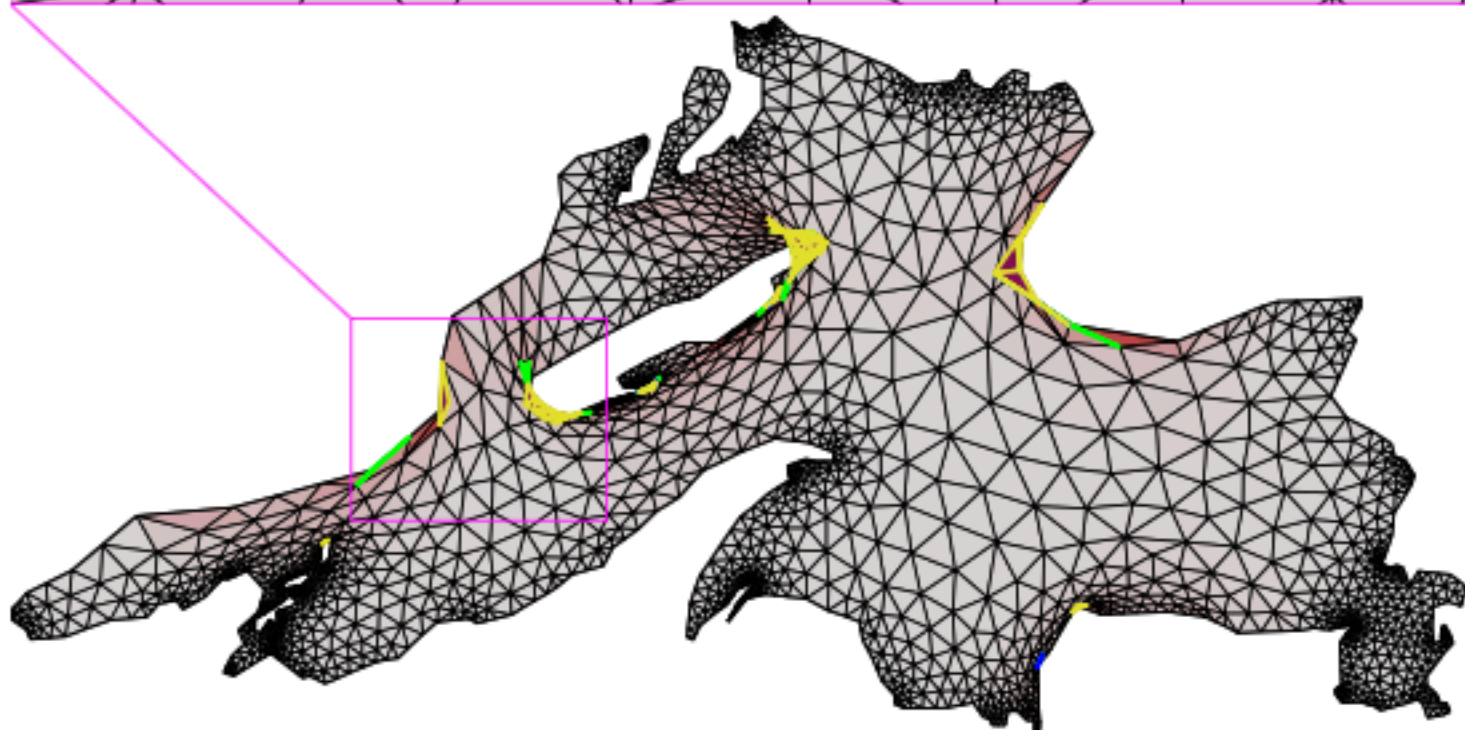
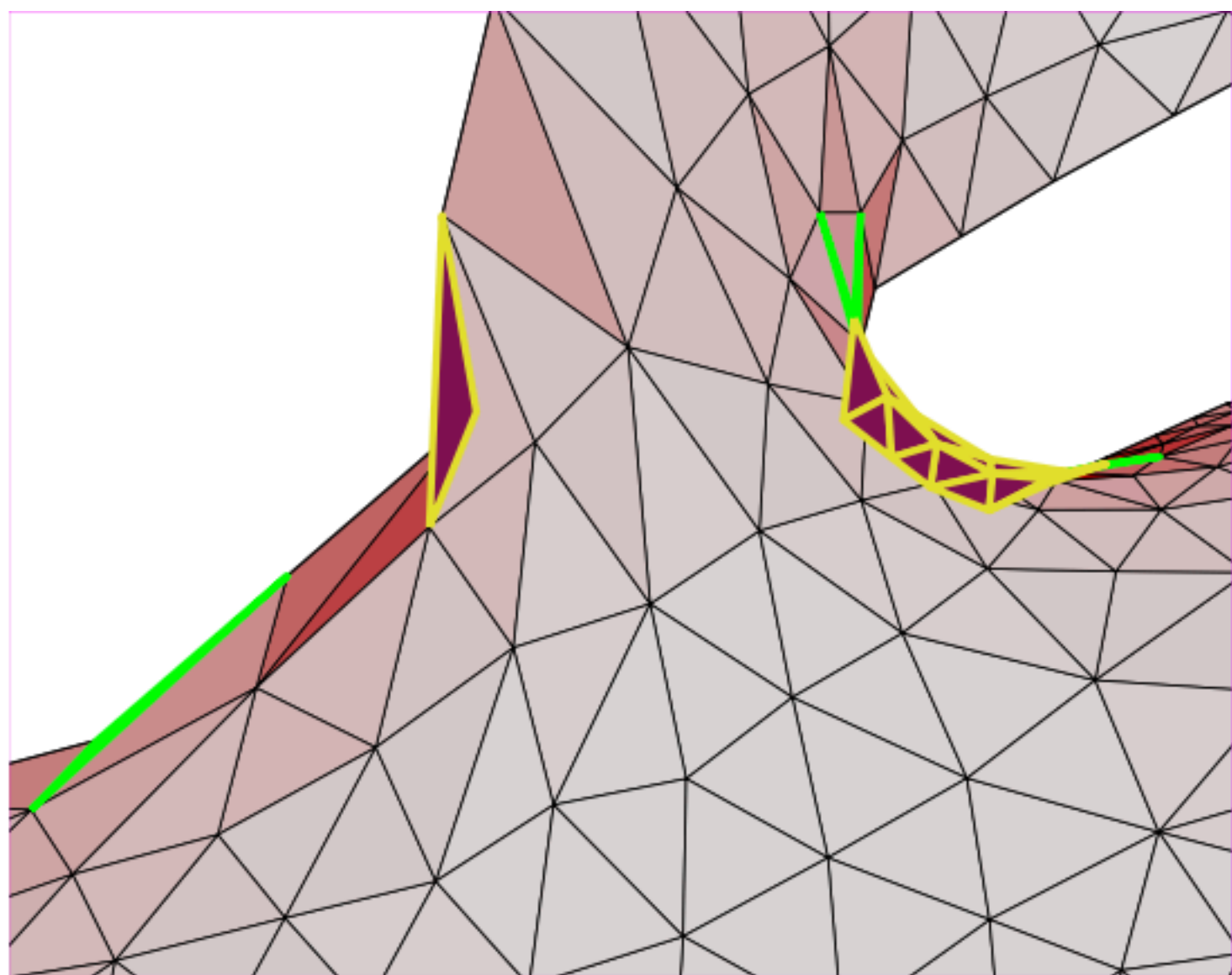
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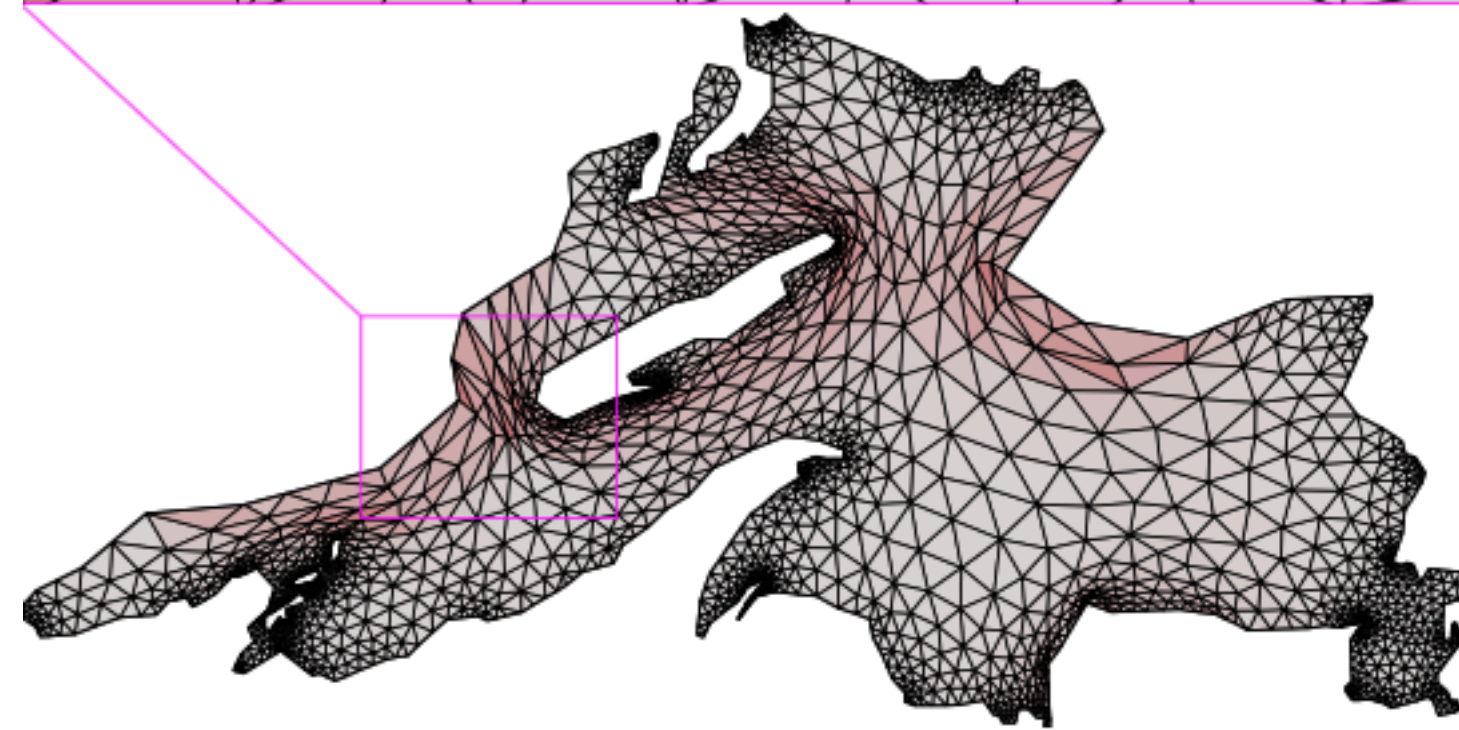
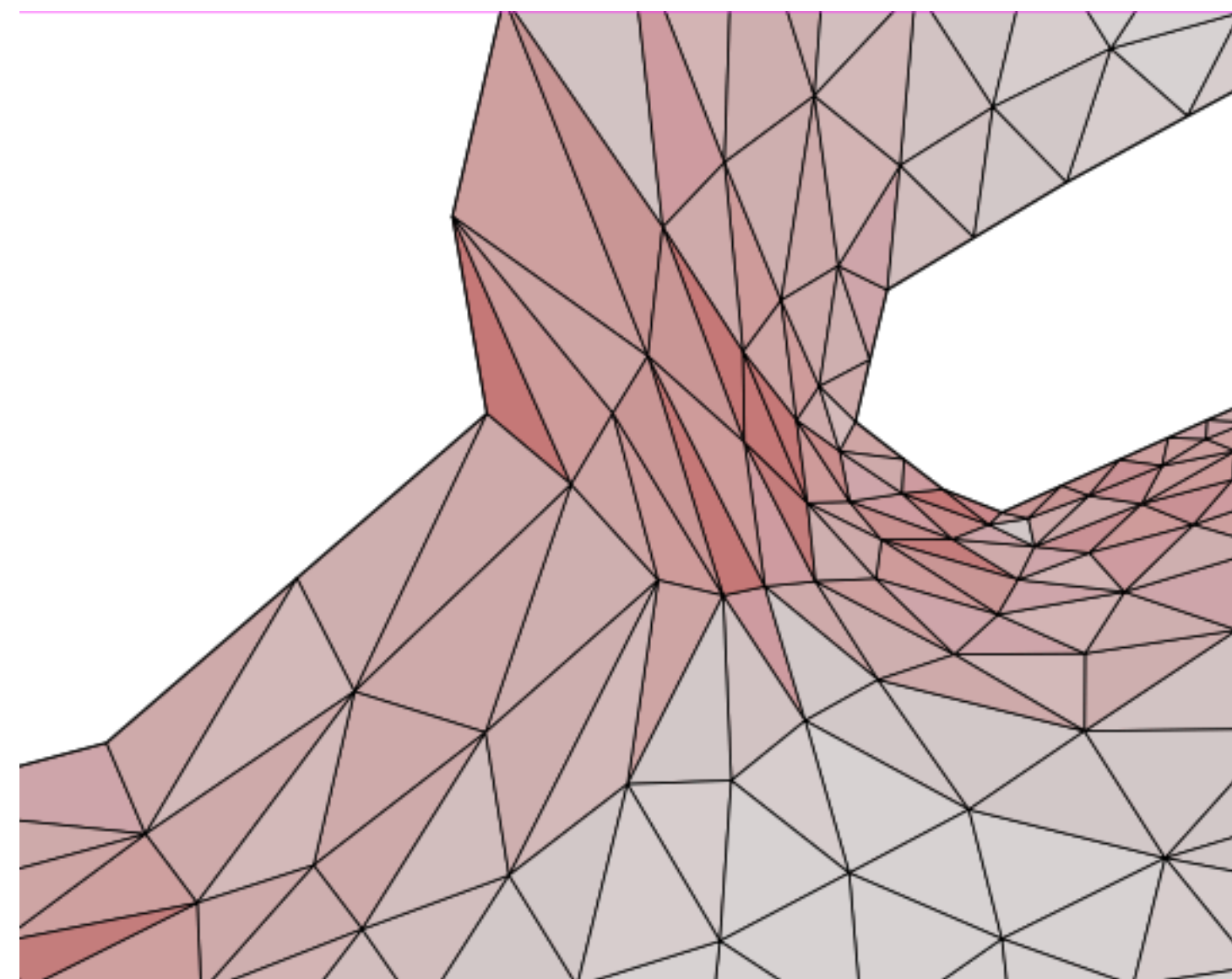
Very few
guarantees.

“Bounded Distortion Mapping Spaces for Triangular Meshes”

Lipman (2012)



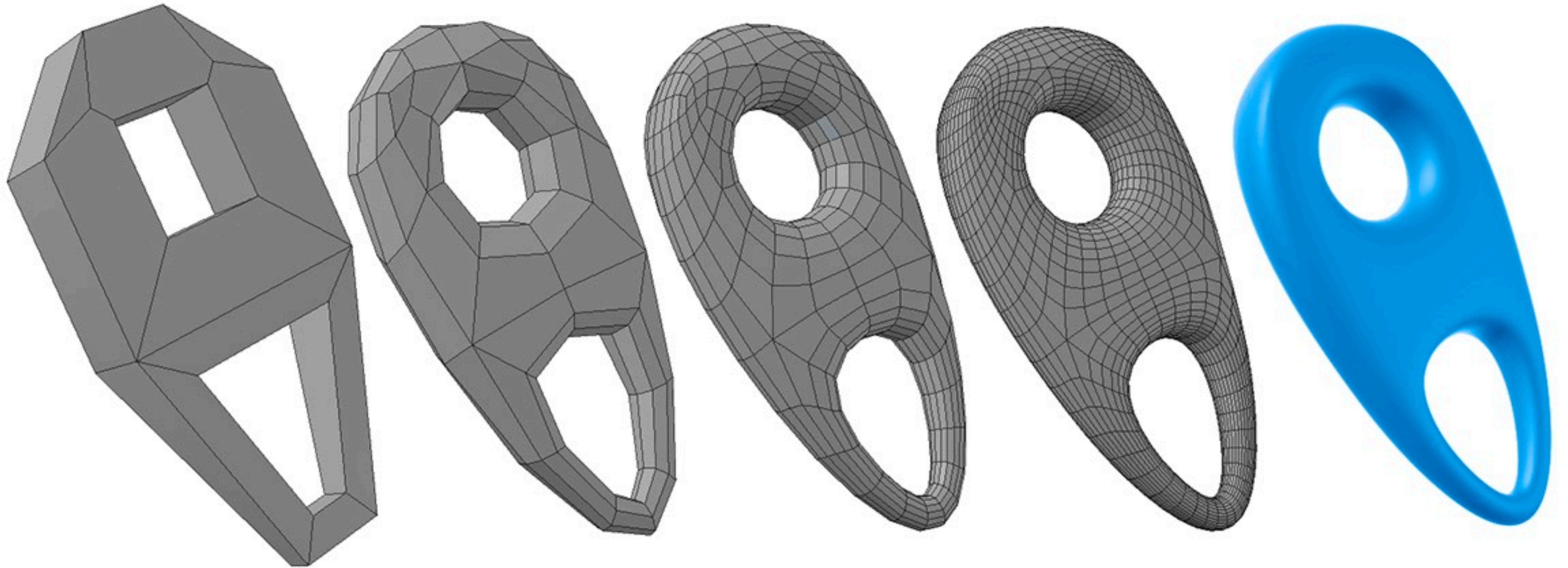
(b) harmonic



(d) BD-harmonic



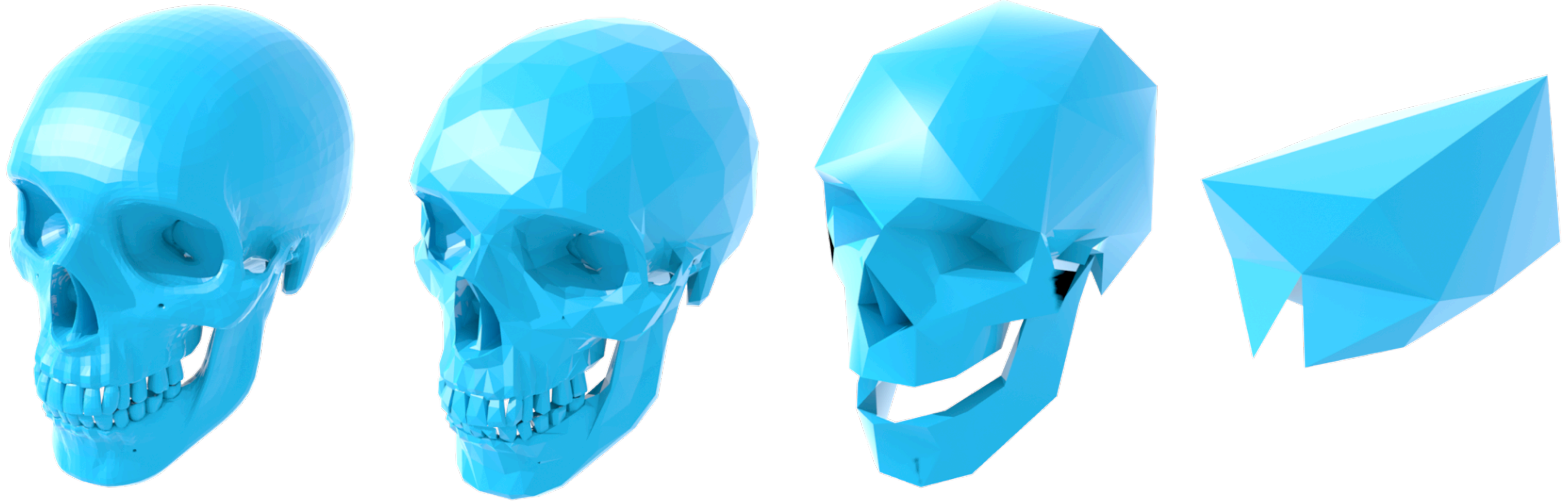
“Recursively Generated B-Spline Surfaces on Arbitrary Topological Meshes”
Catmull & Clark (1978)



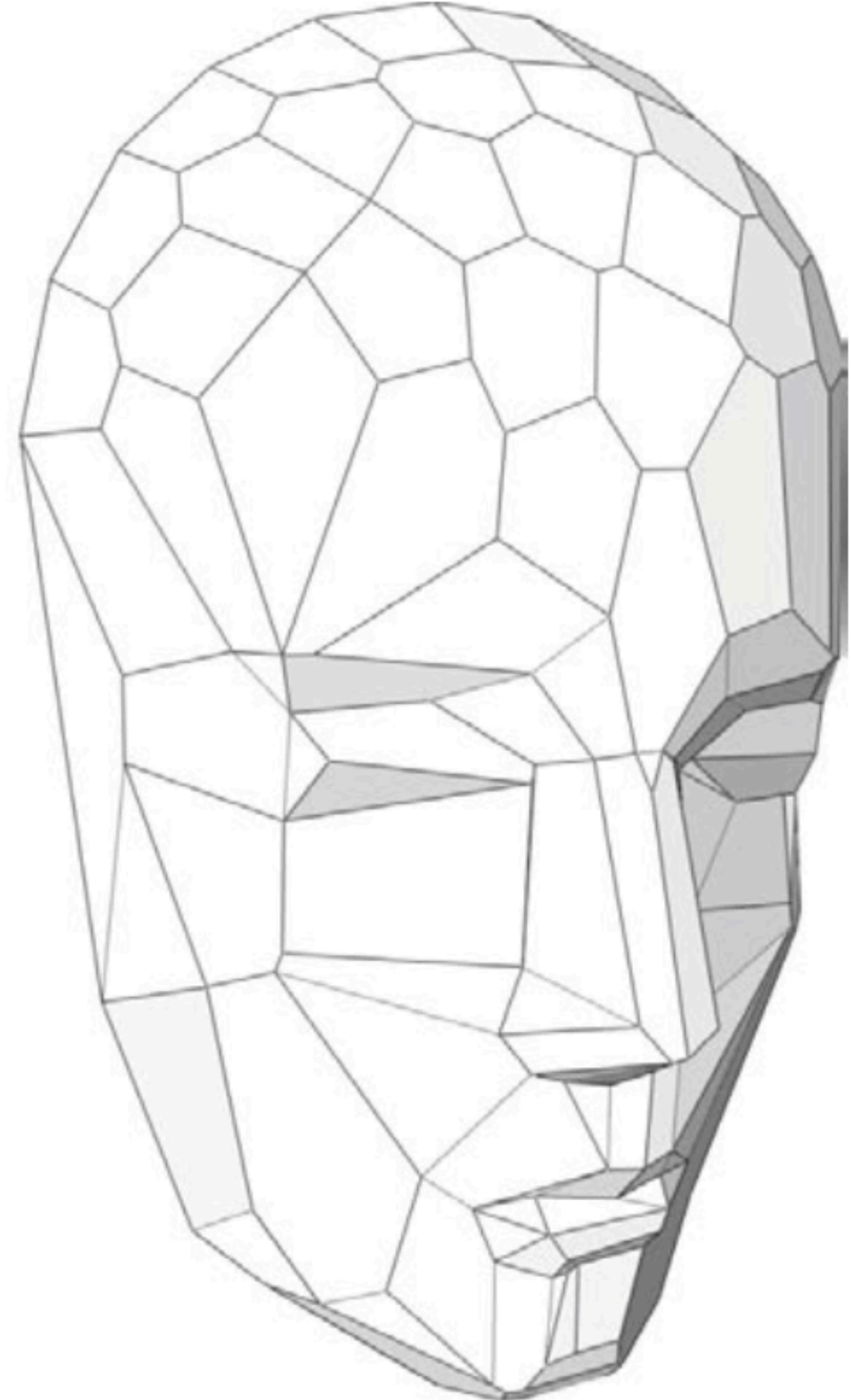
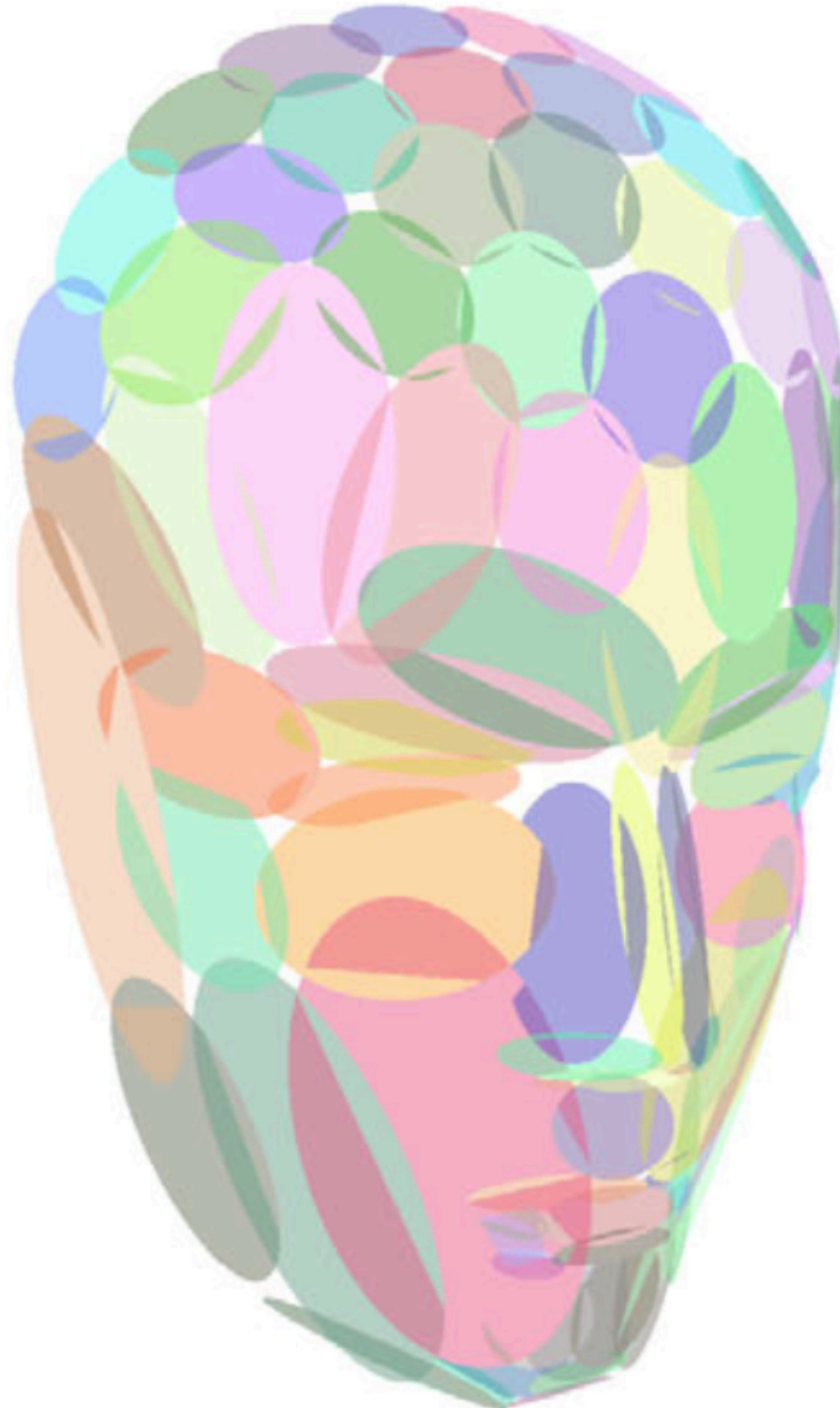




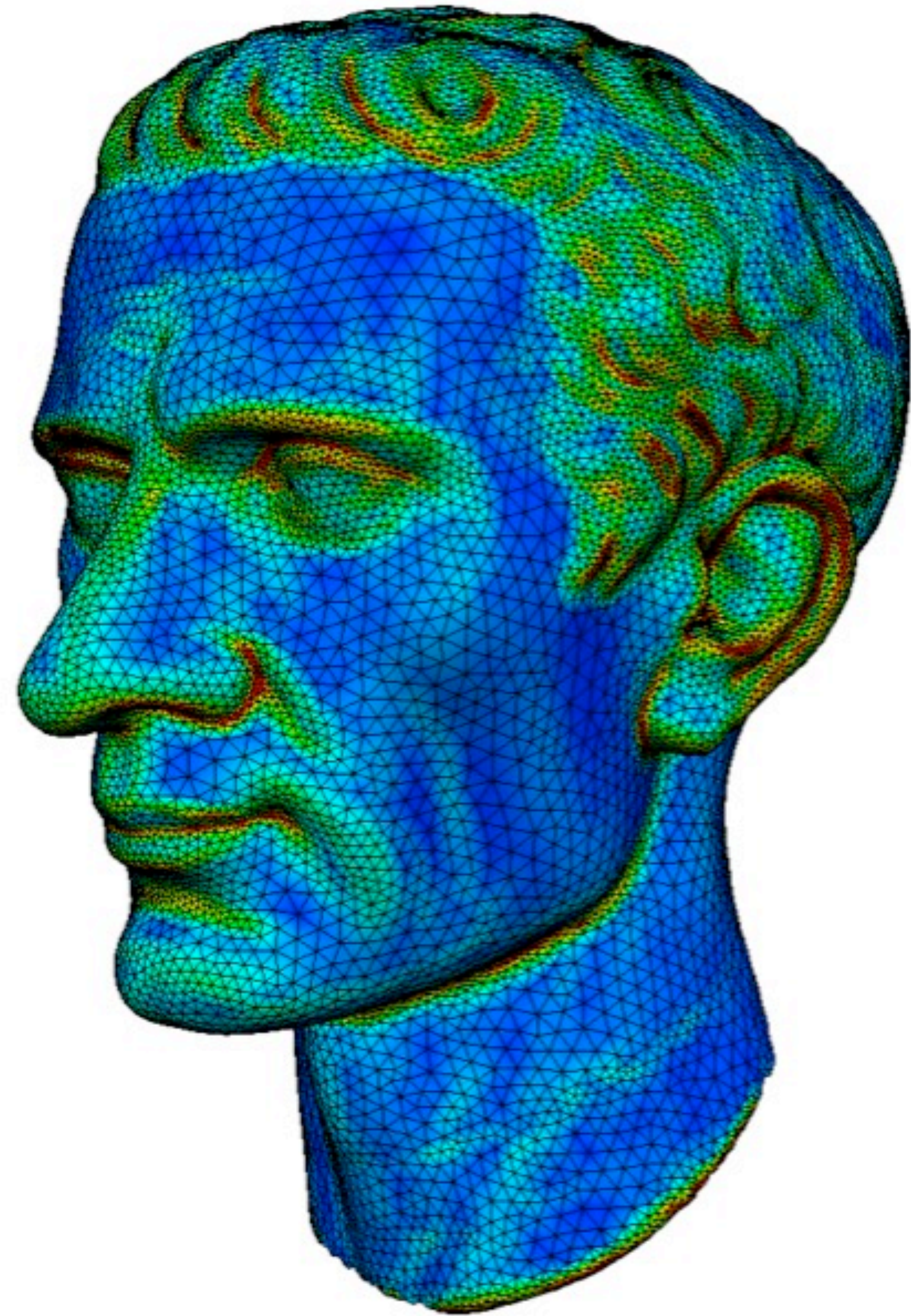
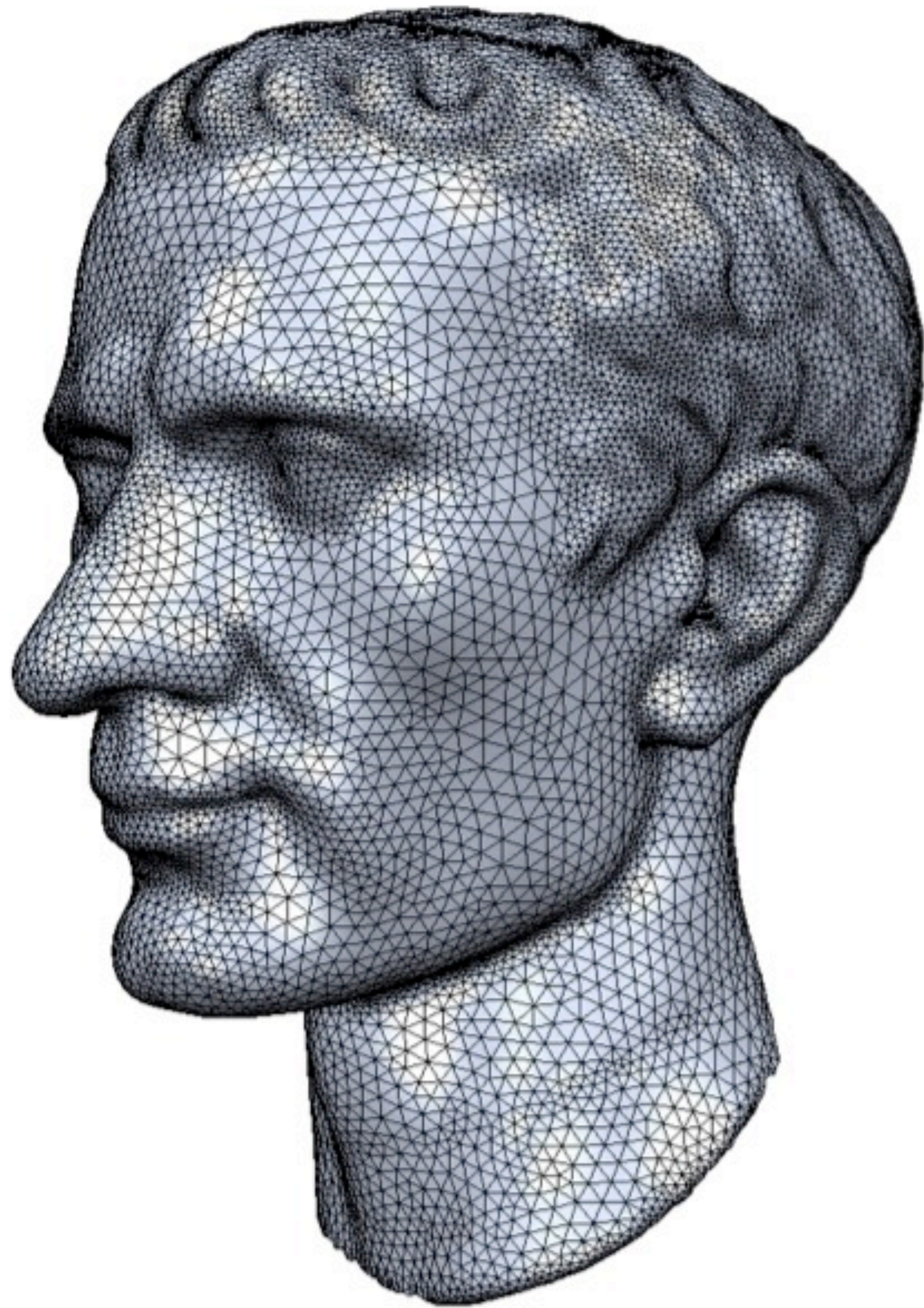
“Surface Simplification Using Quadric Error Metrics”
Garland & Heckbert (1997)

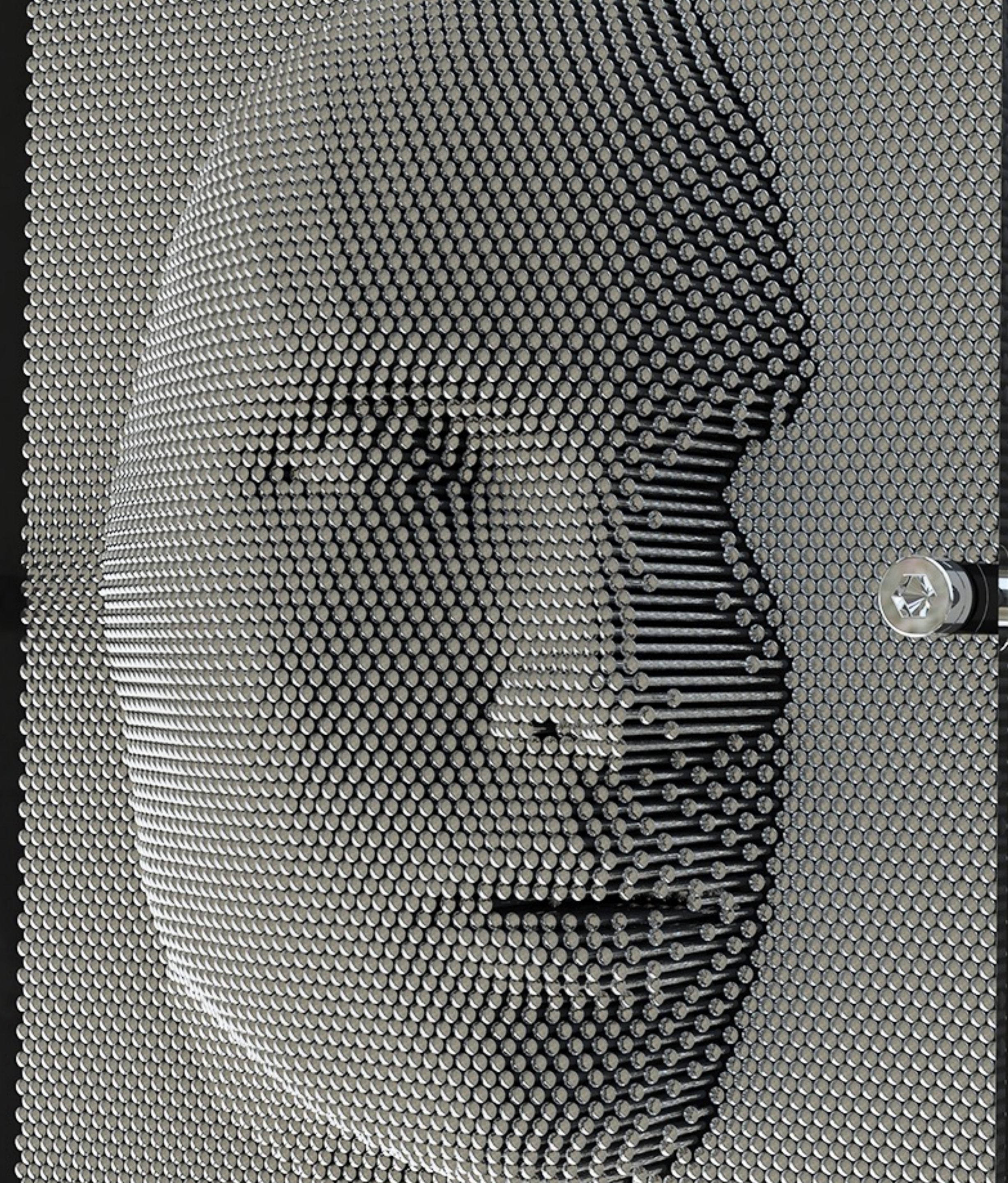


“Variational Shape Approximation”
Cohen–Steiner et al (2004)



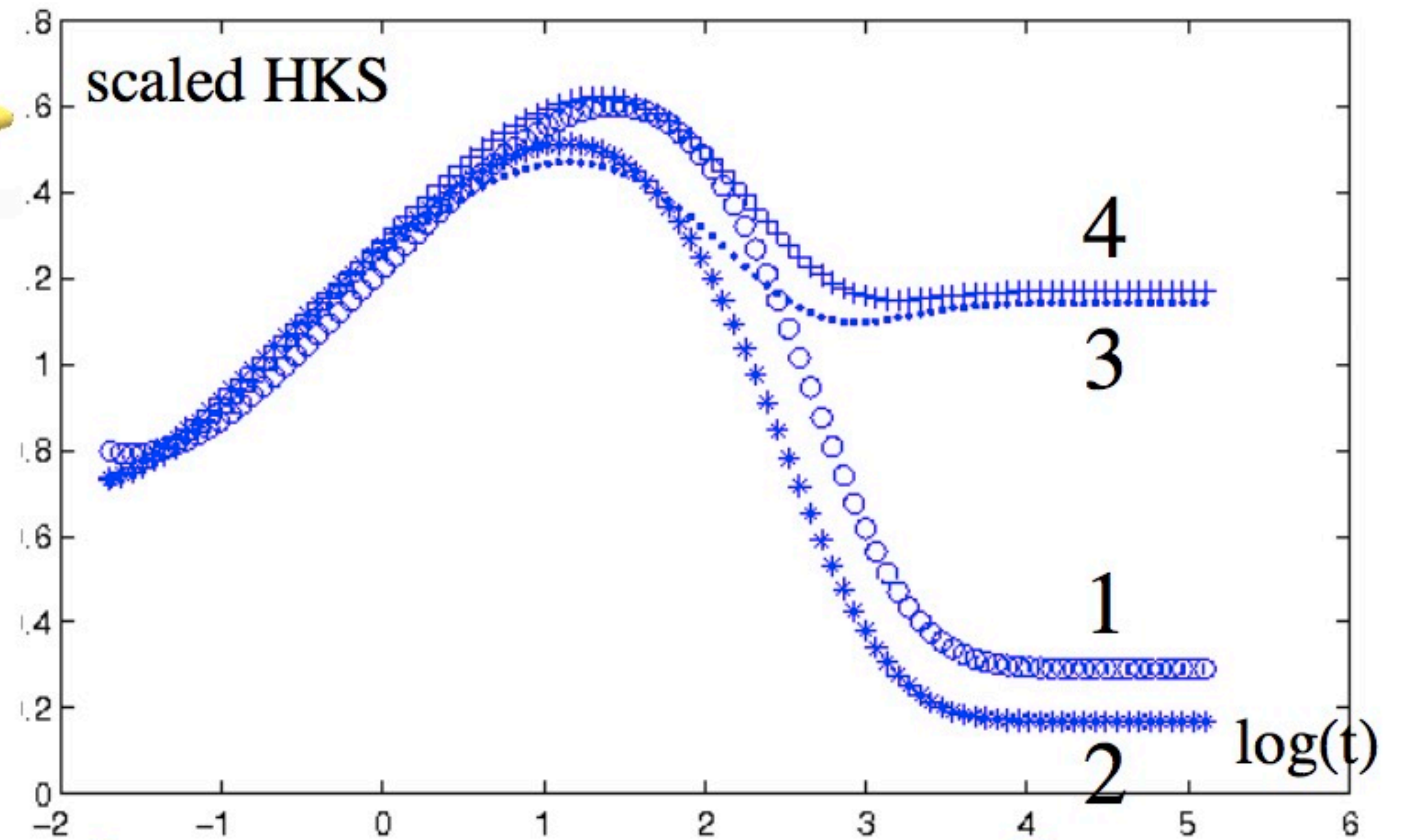
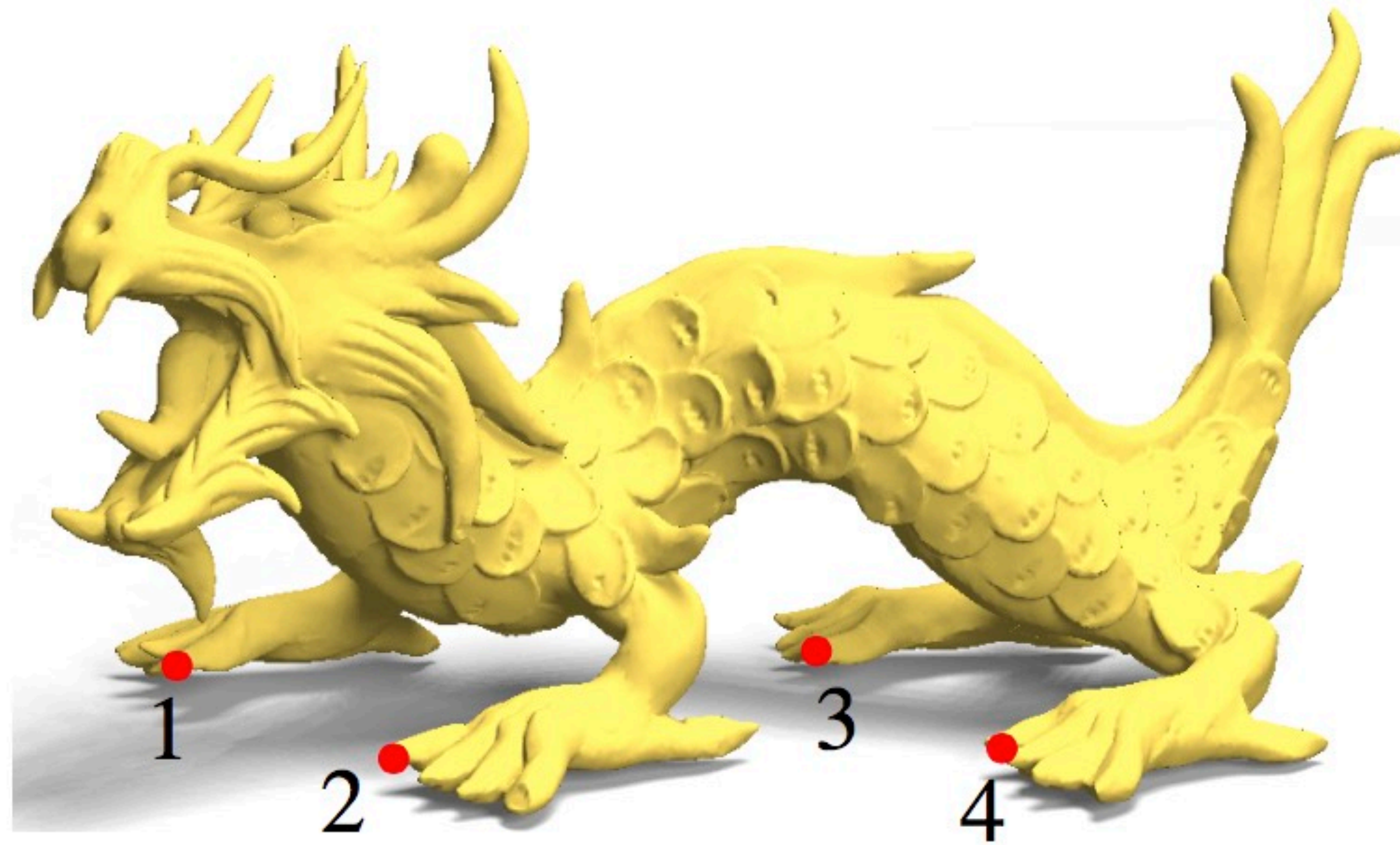
“Adaptive Remeshing for Real-Time Mesh Deformation”
Dunyach et al (2013)



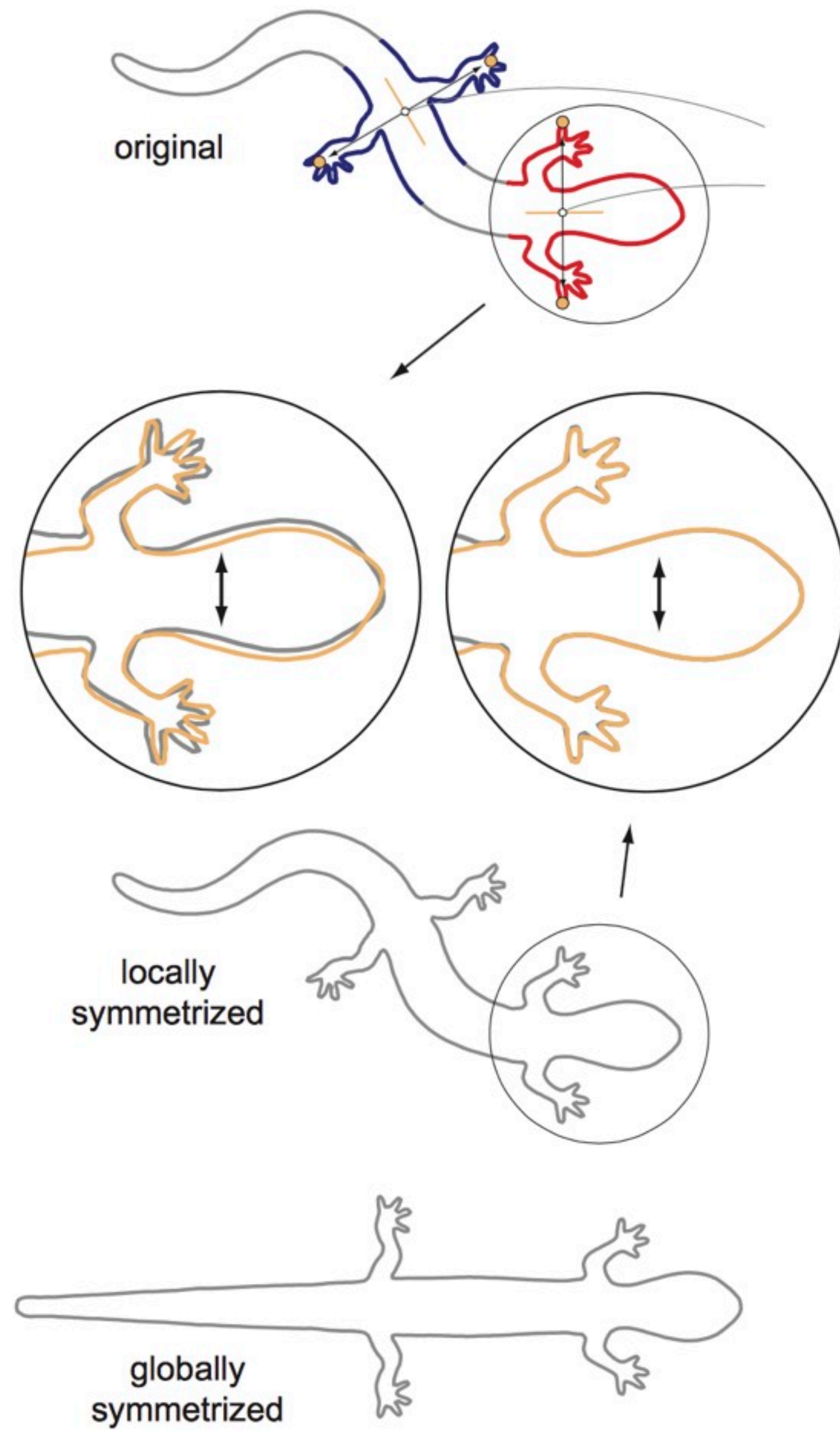


How much *information*
does a surface contain?

“A Concise and Provably Informative Multi-Scale Signature Based on Heat Diffusion”
Sun et al (2009)



“Symmetrization”
Mitra et al (2007)



symmetrized

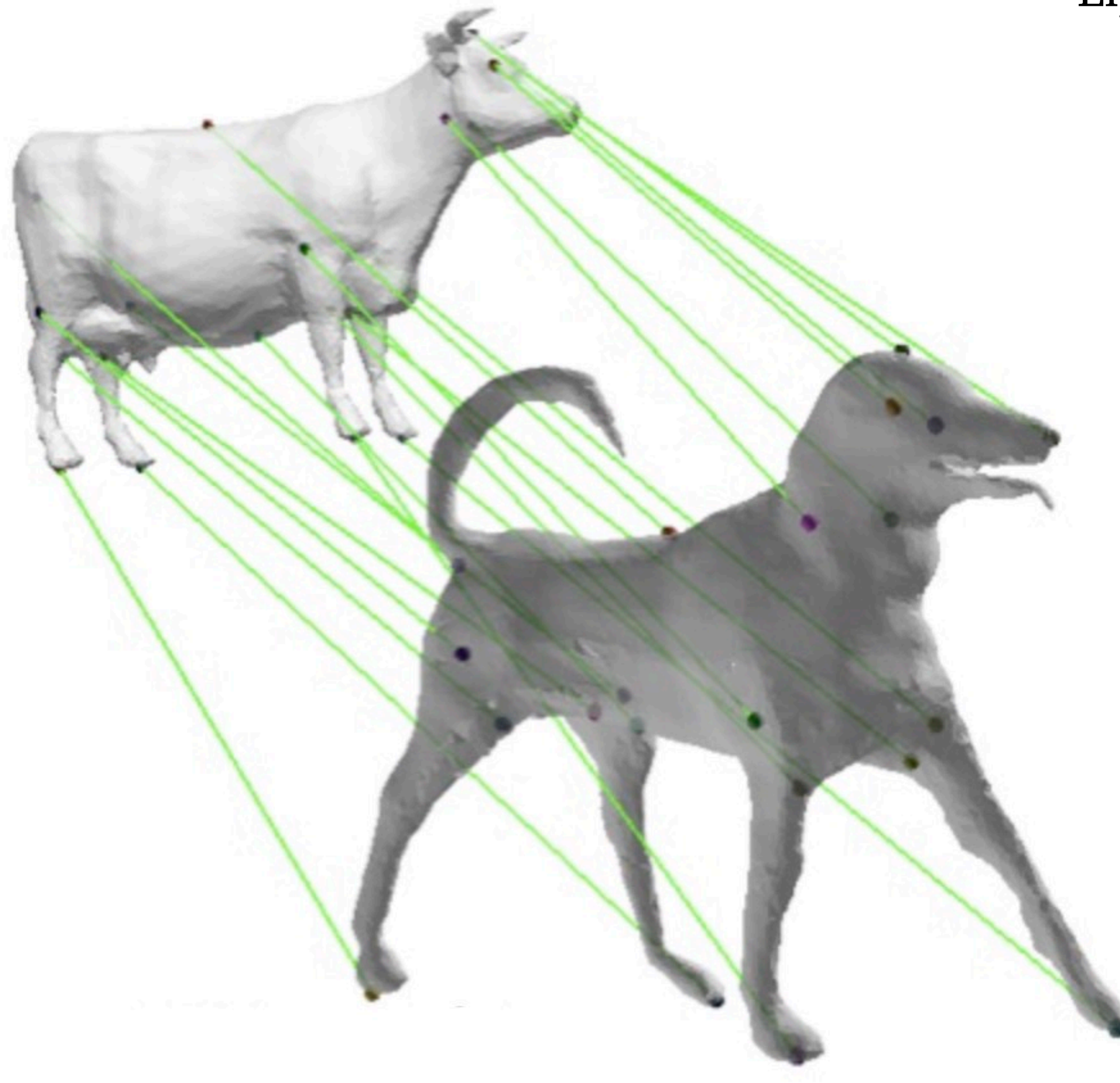


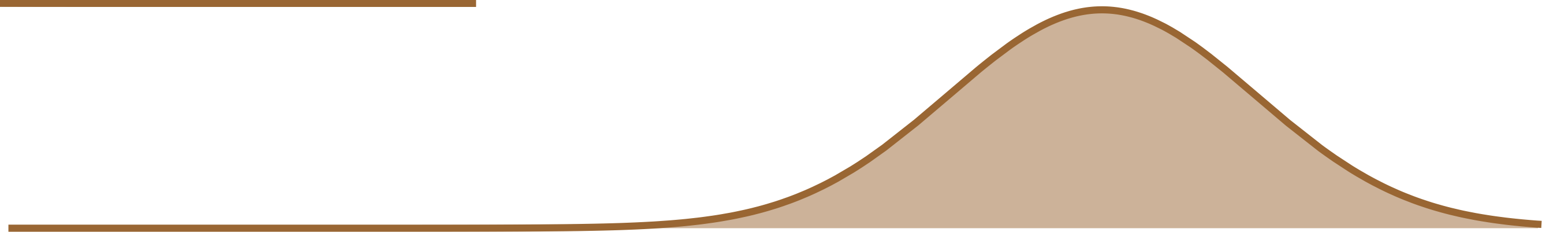
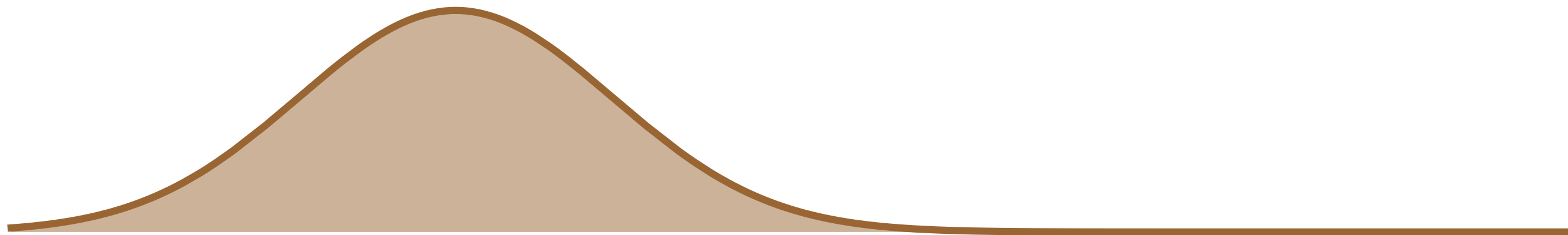
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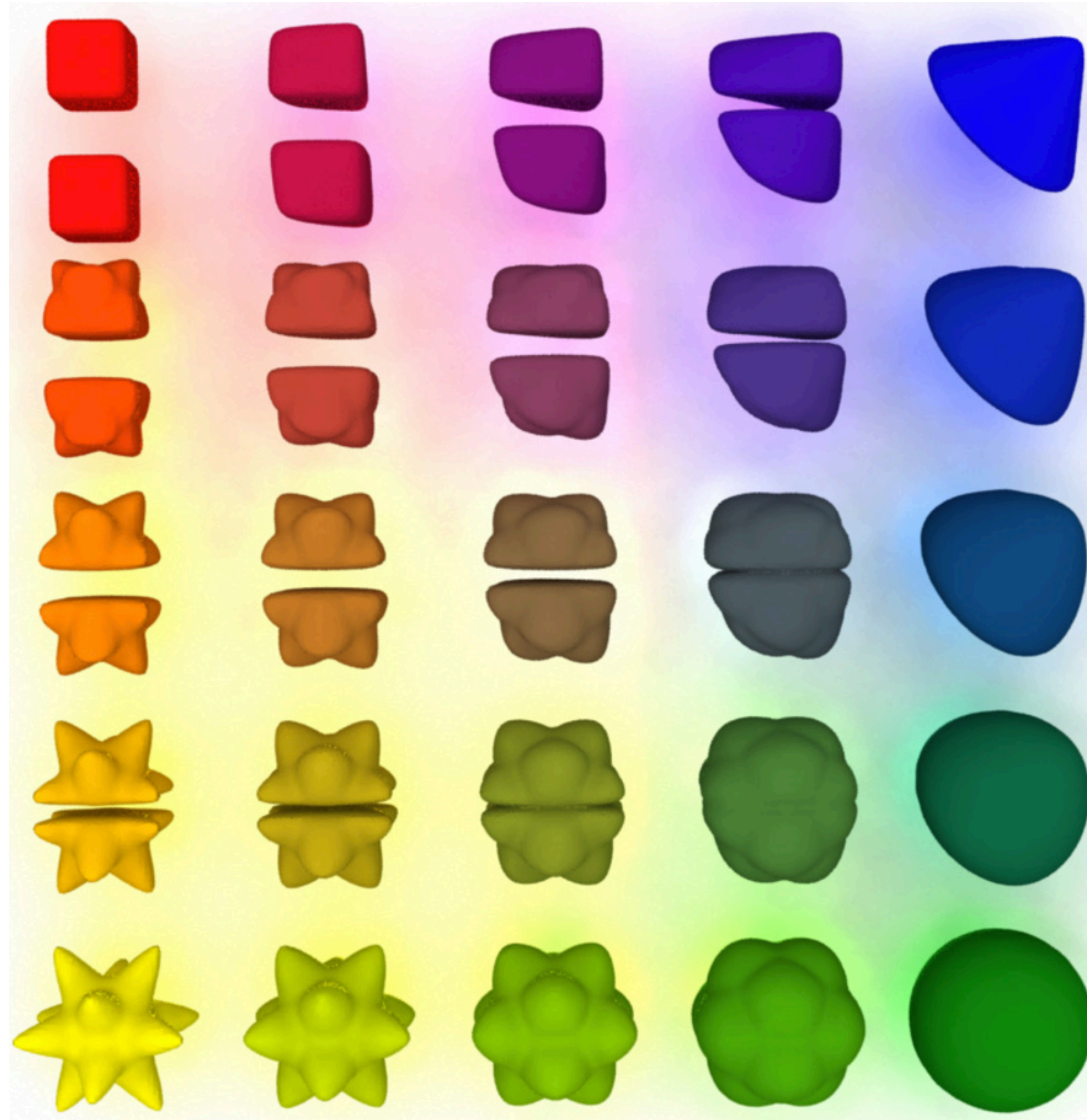
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“Möbius Voting for Surface Correspondence”
Lipman & Funkhouser (2009)





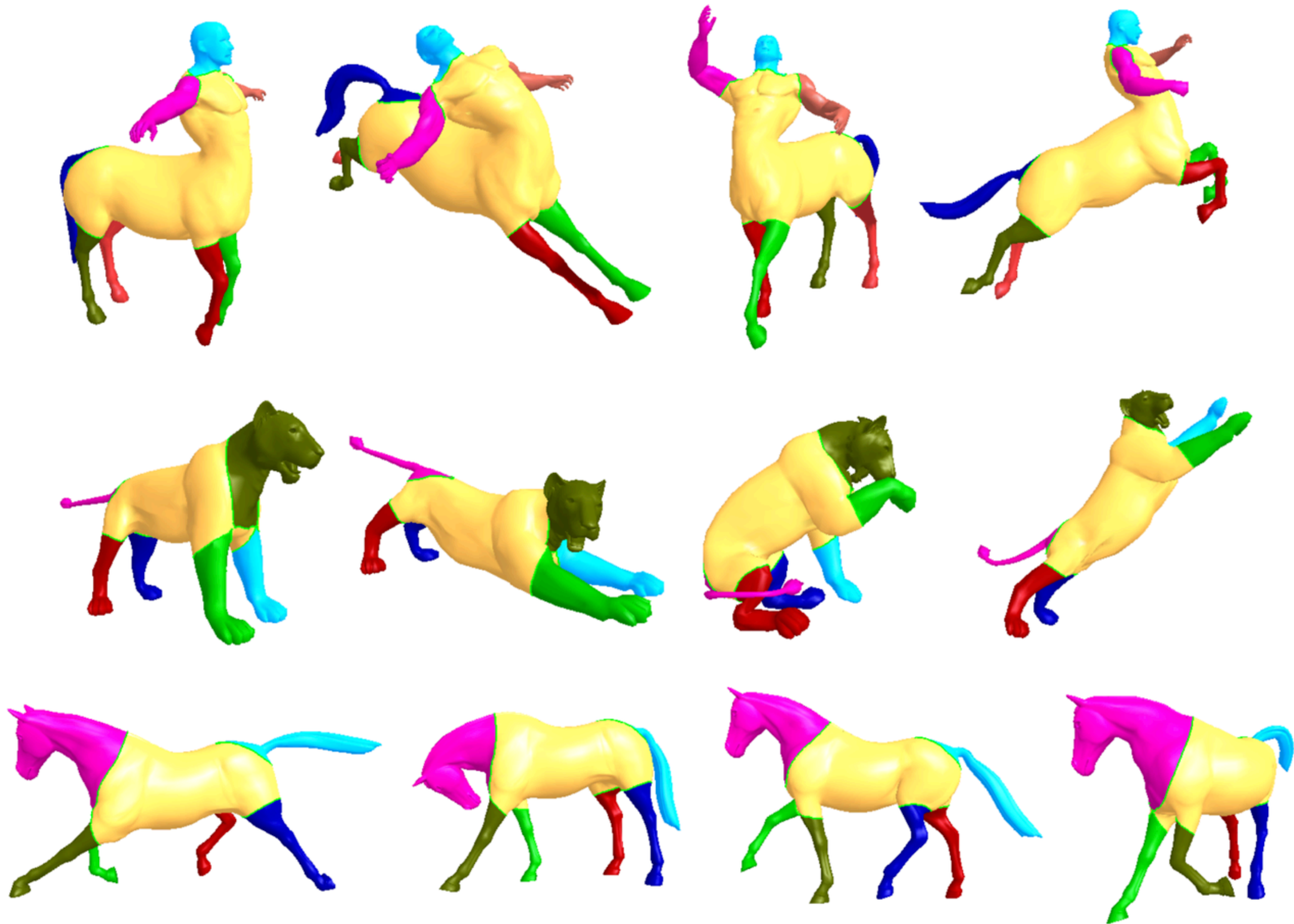
“Convolutional Wasserstein Distances: Efficient Optimal Transportation on Geometric Domains”
Solomon et al (2015)



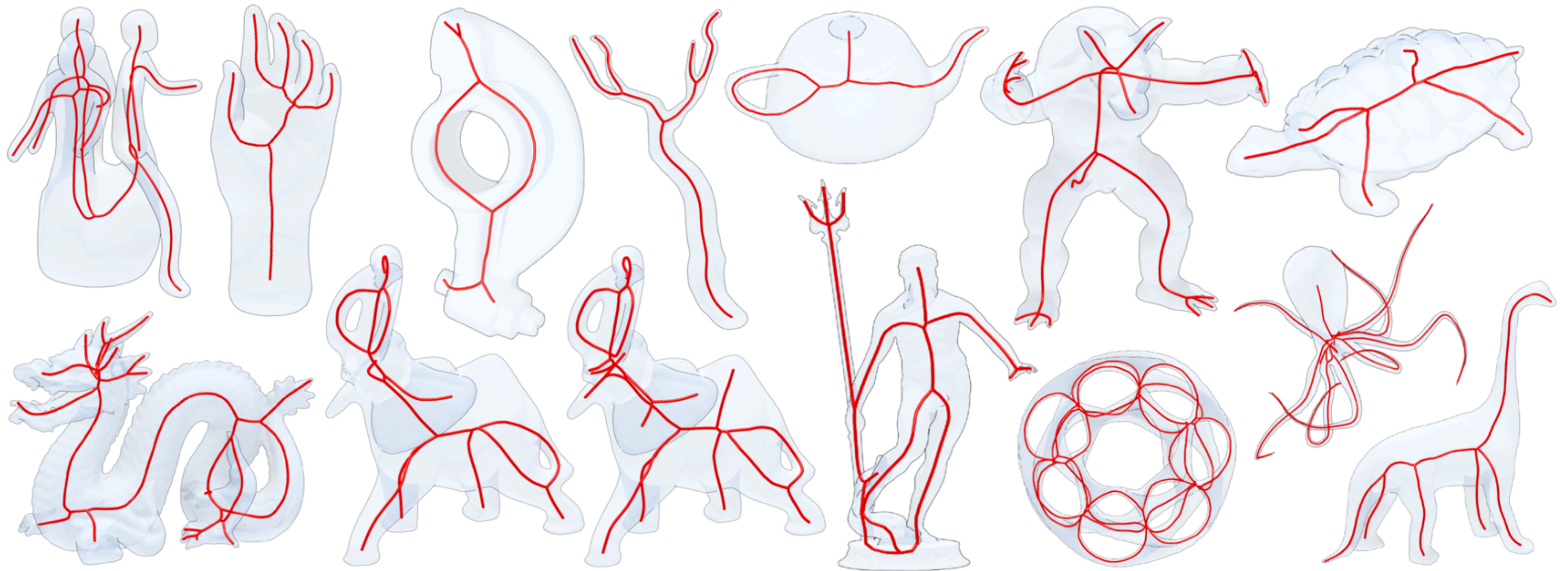
SHREC Benchmark



“Shape Segmentation and Registration via Topological Features of Laplace-Beltrami Eigenfunctions”
Reuter (2009)

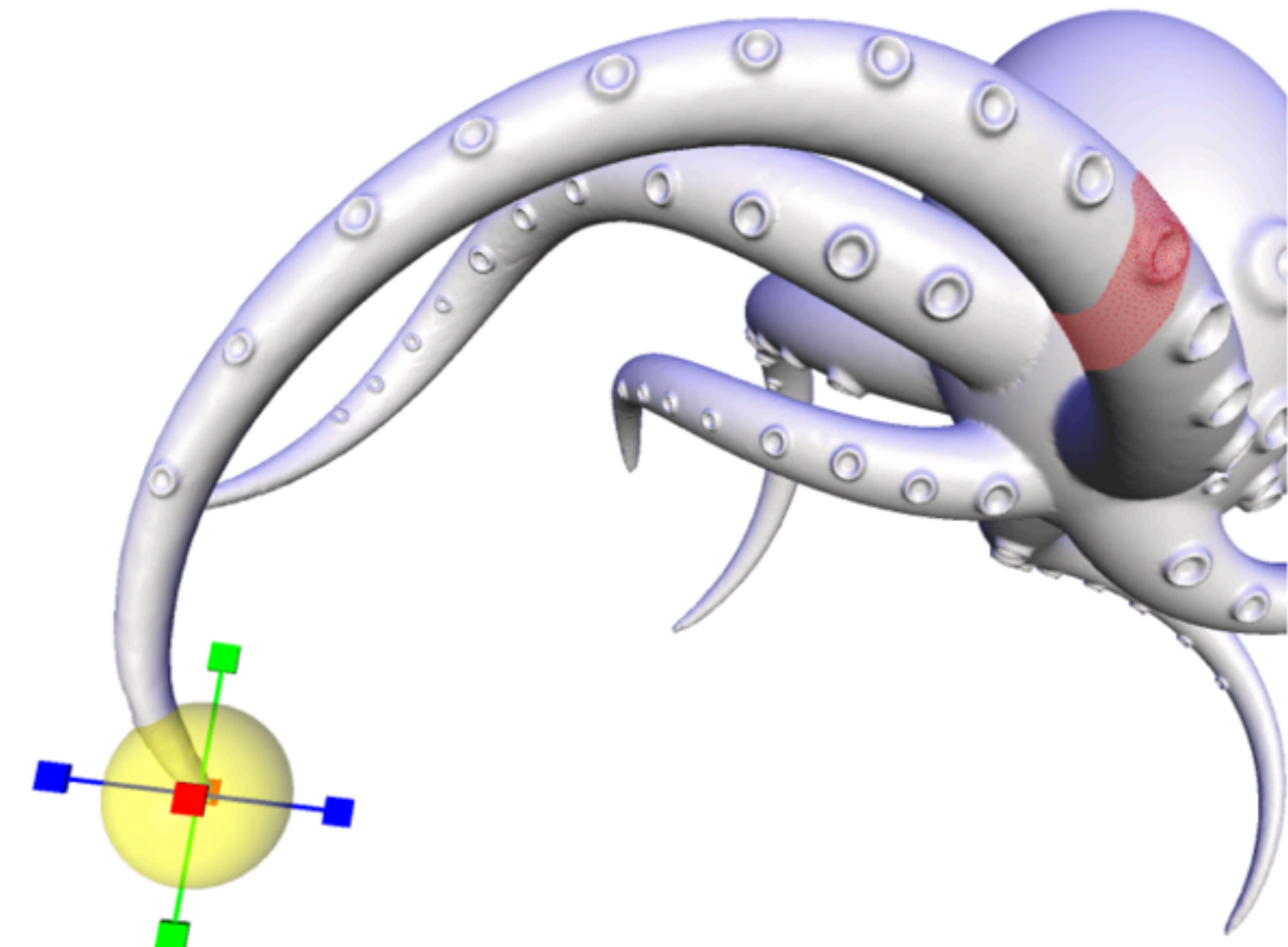
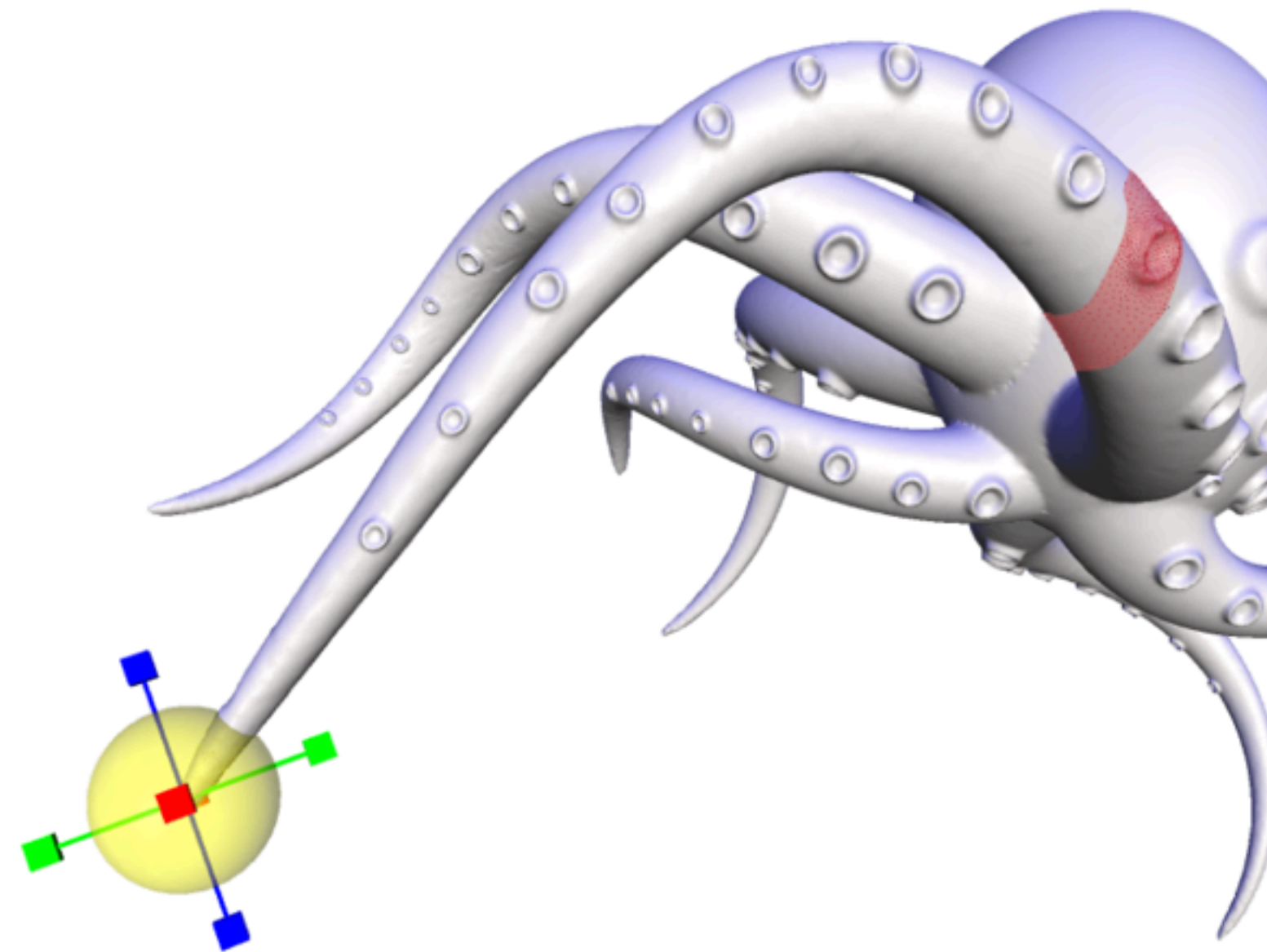
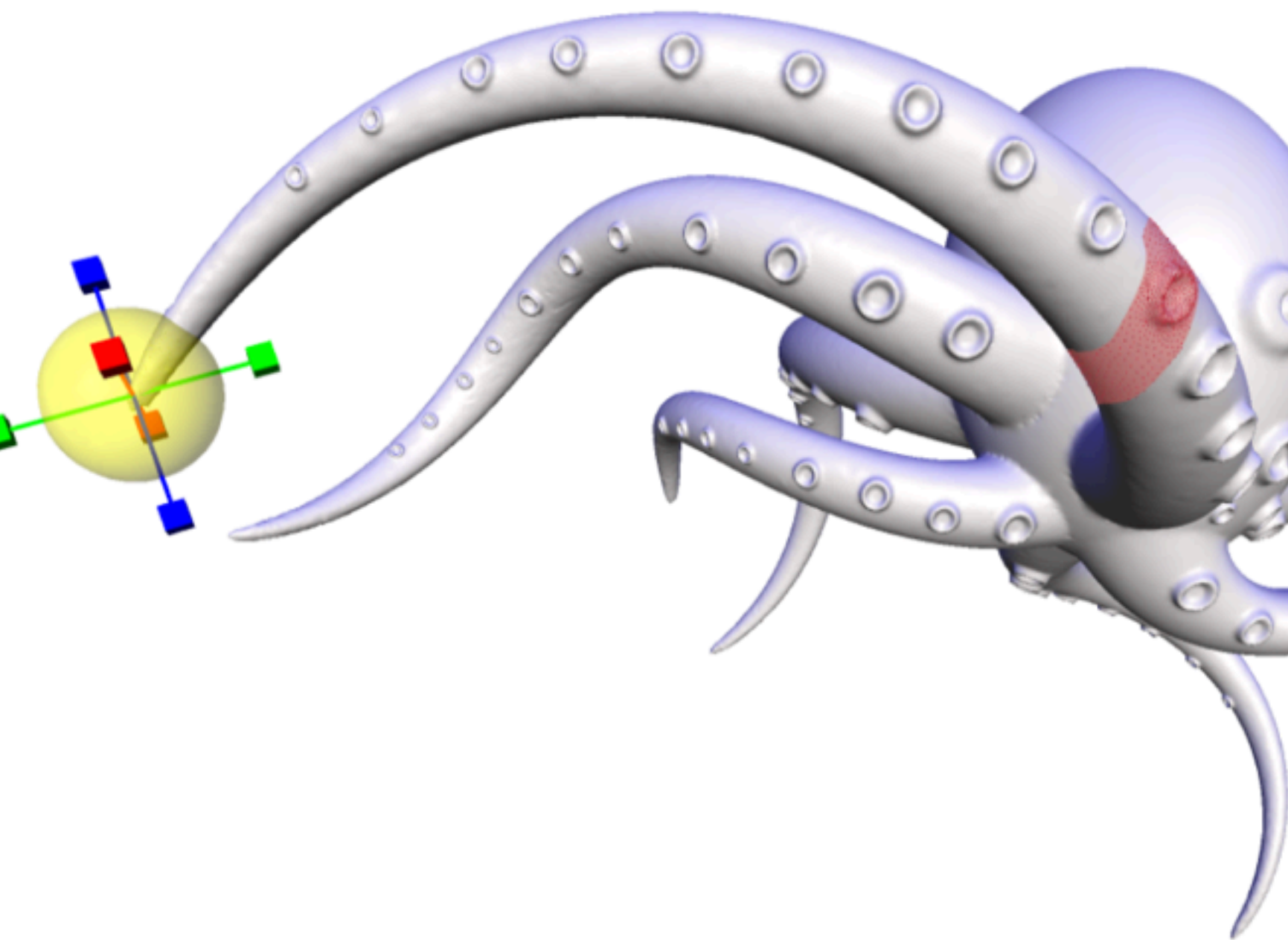


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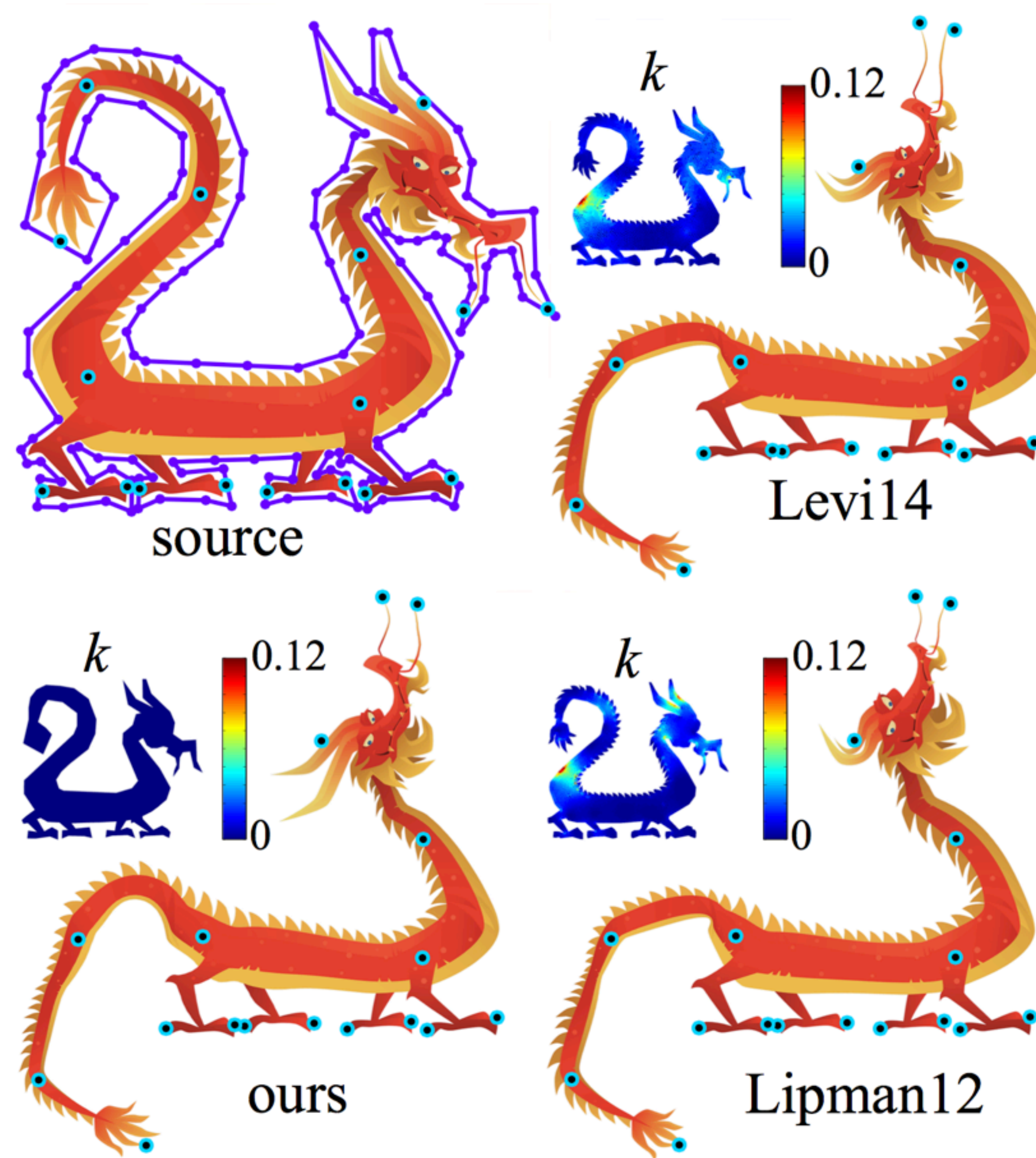
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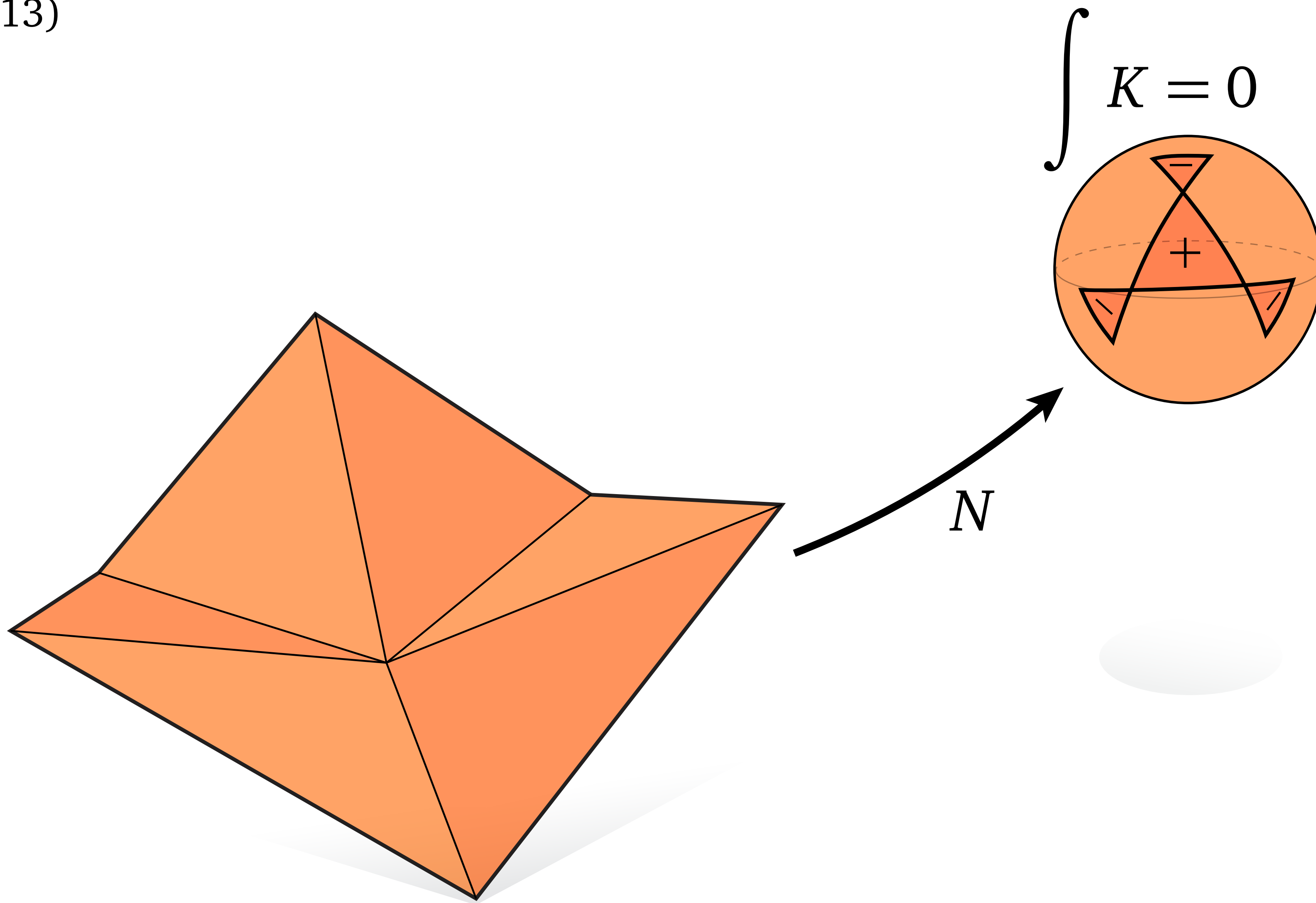
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State of the Geometry Processing Union

- Missing basic tools from traditional signal processing (e.g., FFT)
- Existing algorithms rarely provide guarantees
- Many problems not even well-defined
- No real sampling theory/information theory
- Doesn't sound much like “a technology!” (yet...)

Thanks!