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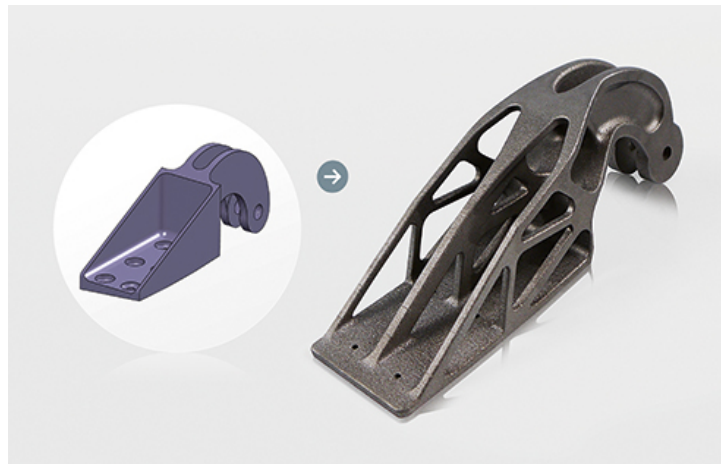


Topology Optimization: Applications

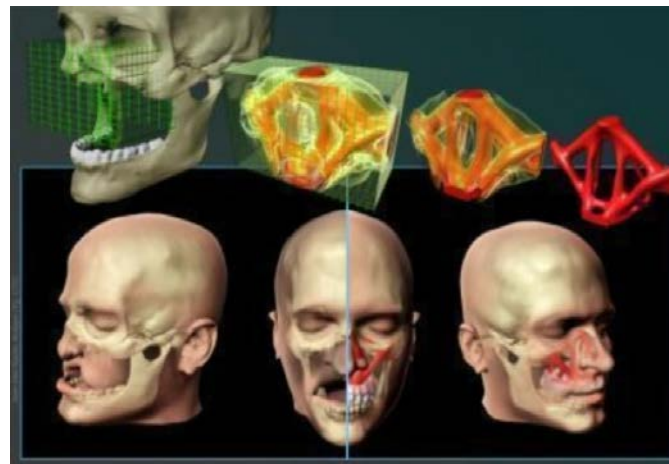
- Lightweight: Engineering
- Customization: Medicine
- Organic appearance: Art & Architecture
- ...



Bone Chair
by Joris Laarman



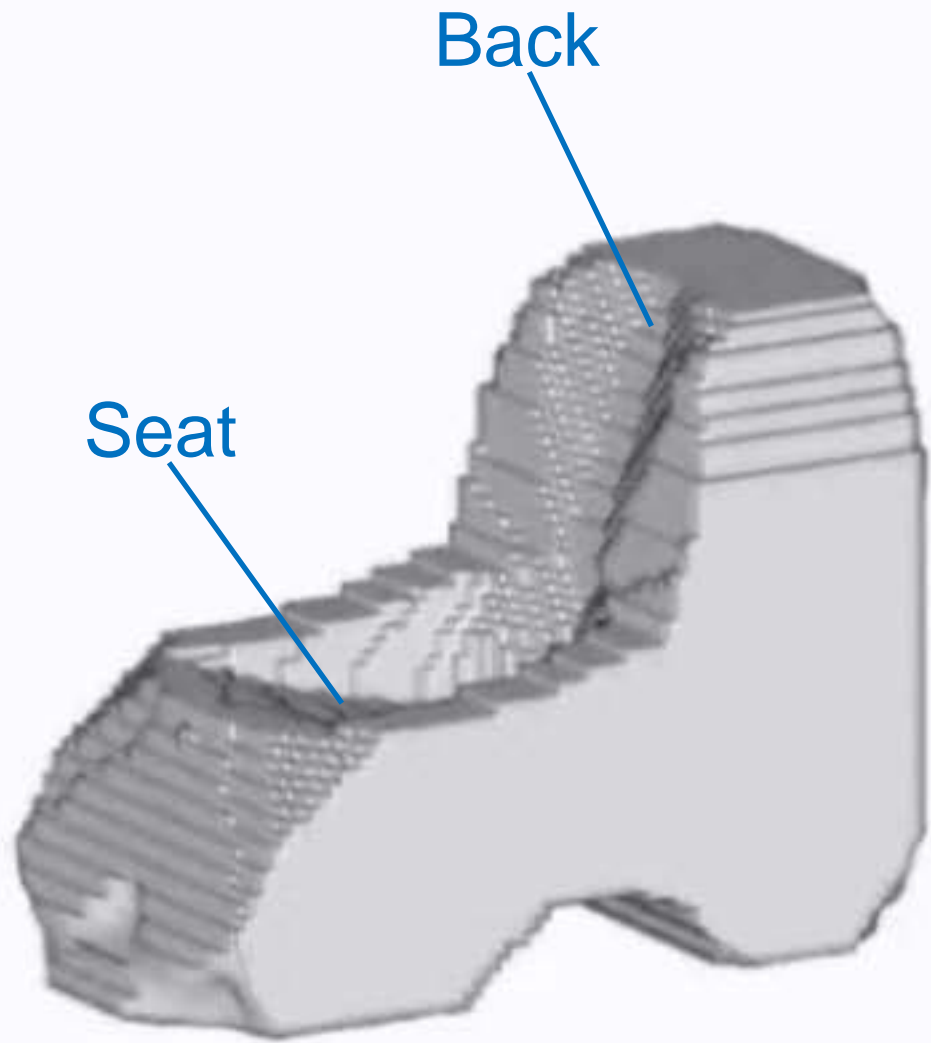
Airbus & EOS, 2014



Reconstructive surgery
Glaucio H. Paulino @ UIUC



Qatar national convention
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Optimization of Bone Chair
by Lothar Harzheim & Opel GmbH

Additive Manufacturing

- “Geometric complexity is (almost) free”



TU Delft & MX3D, 2015



Joshua Harker



Scott Summit

Topology Optimization

- Lightweight
- Customization
- Organic shape



Additive Manufacturing

- Geometric complexity
- Customization

Schedule

- Fundamentals of
 - Advanced Manufacturing (Charlie Wang)
 - Topology Optimization (Niels Aage)
- Coffee break, and Exhibition of 3D prints
- Controllable Topology Optimization for
 - Geometric Features (Jun Wu)
 - Appearance and Structure Synthesis (Sylvain Lefebvre)



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Part One: Advanced Manufacturing

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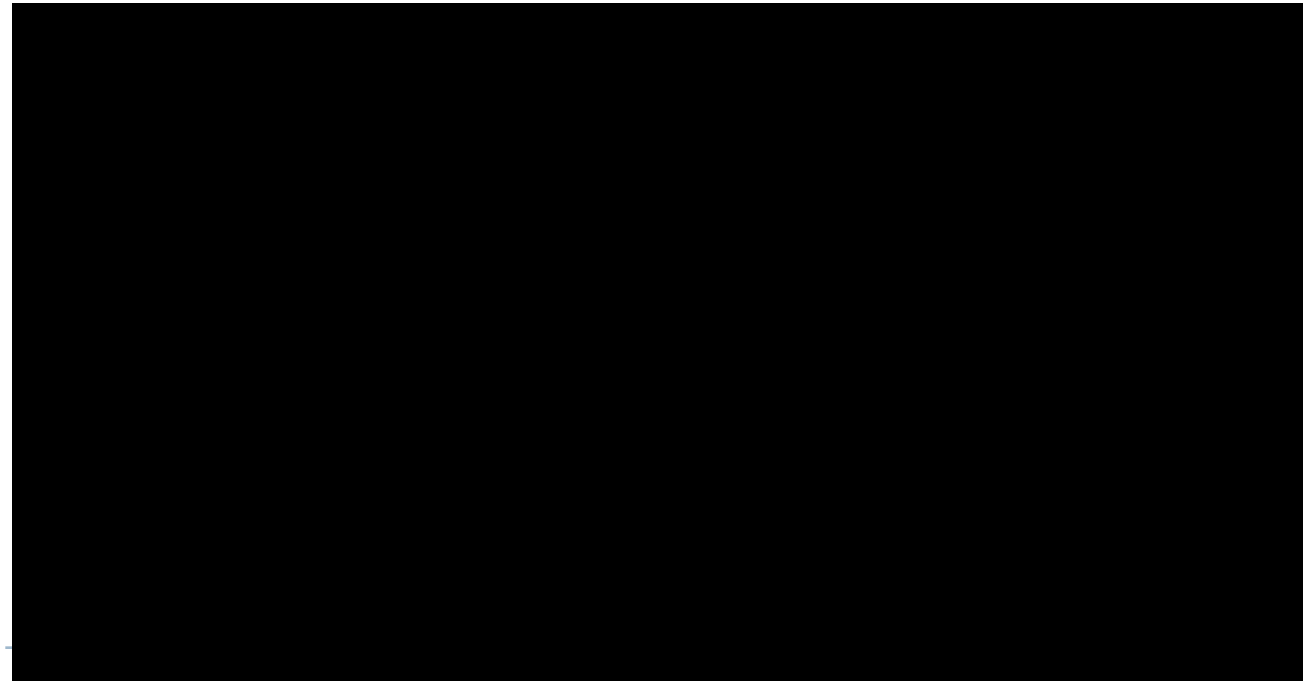
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Conventional Manufacturing Processes

- ▶ **Net Shape Processes**
 - ▶ Forging, drawing, extrusion, rolling
 - ▶ Sheet metal forming, bending
 - ▶ Die casting, investment casting
 - ▶ Injection modeling
- ▶ **Subtractive Processes**
 - ▶ Lathing, milling, grinding, drilling,
 - ▶ Water jetting, laser cutting, etc.

Challenges for Designers (An Example)

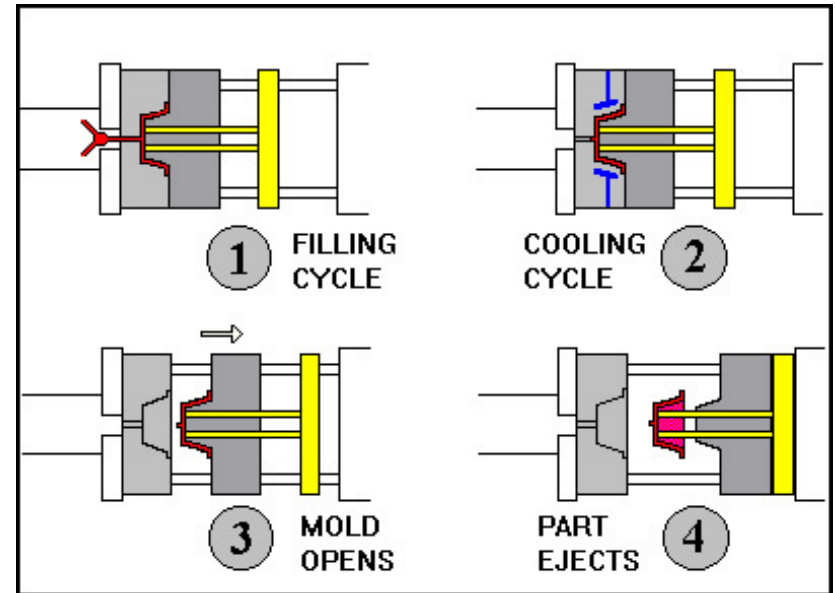


Challenges for Designers (Cont.)

- ▶ Conventional Mouse – produced by Injection Molding
- ▶ Problems:
 - ▶ Complex shape? **No**
 - ▶ Moldability? **Important**
 - ▶ Flexibility? **No**
 - ▶ Customization? **No**



<http://www.imould.com>



<http://mold-technology4all.blogspot.nl/>

- ▶ Process to make a mold
 - ▶ Mold design (**professional**)
 - ▶ CNC machining (**expensive**)

Challenges for Designers

- ▶ **Design a product**
 - ▶ Cannot be fabricated
 - ▶ Shape limitation
 - ▶ Cannot have too many parts
 - ▶ Otherwise, having a high cost
- ▶ **Design for manufacturing** ^[1]
 - ▶ Rule 1: Reduce the total number of parts
 - ▶ Rule 2: Design for easy-to-fabrication
 - ▶ Rule 3: Use of standard components
- ▶ **Main Problem:**
 - ▶ Conventional manufacturing lacks of flexibility

Additive Manufacturing

- ▶ Defined by ASTM as:
 - ▶ Process of joining materials to make objects from 3D model data, usually layer upon layer
- ▶ Six Different Types of AM:
 - ▶ Lasers: Stereolithography Apparatus (SLA), Selective Laser Sintering (SLS)
 - ▶ Nozzles: Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)
 - ▶ Print-heads: Multi-jet Modeling (MJM), Binder-jet Printing (3DP)
 - ▶ Cutters: Laminated Object Modeling (LOM)
- ▶ Mainly used for Rapid Prototyping (Past)
- ▶ More and More used for 'Mass'-Production (Present)

Benefit of Additive Manufacturing

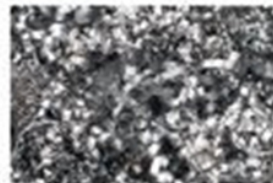
- ▶ Very flexible: **direct digital fabrication** from CAD models
- ▶ Rapid fabrication
- ▶ **Excellent for customization**
- ▶ Manufacturing is responsible for 33% of the world's carbon footprint – AM has minimal material waste

Subtractive Machining:



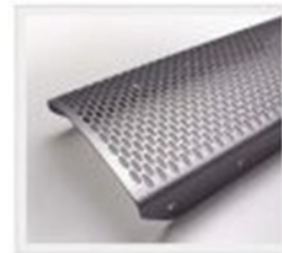
5000 lb.
forged billet

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4750 lb.
chips

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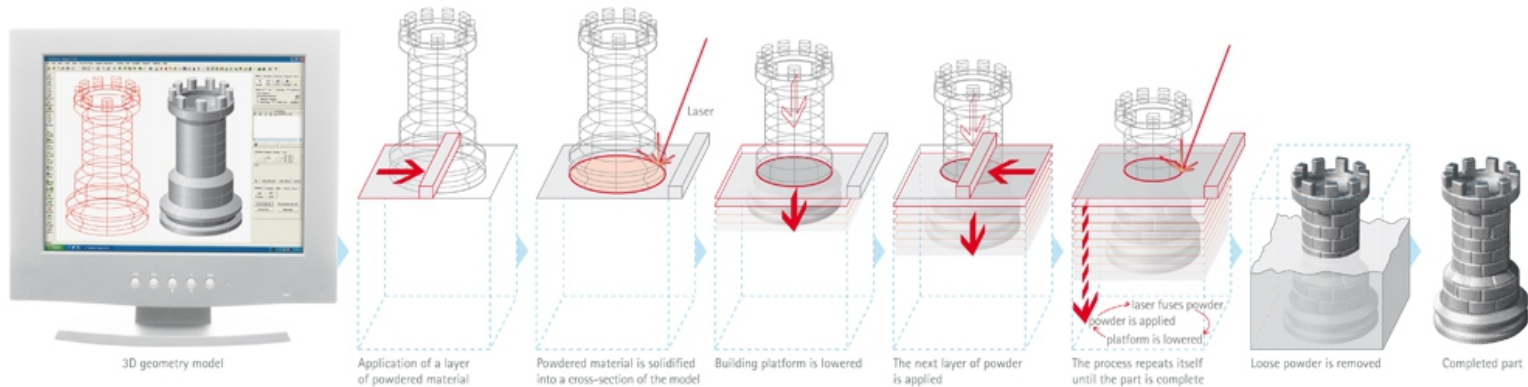
250 lb. finish
machined part

20 : 1
Buy to fly

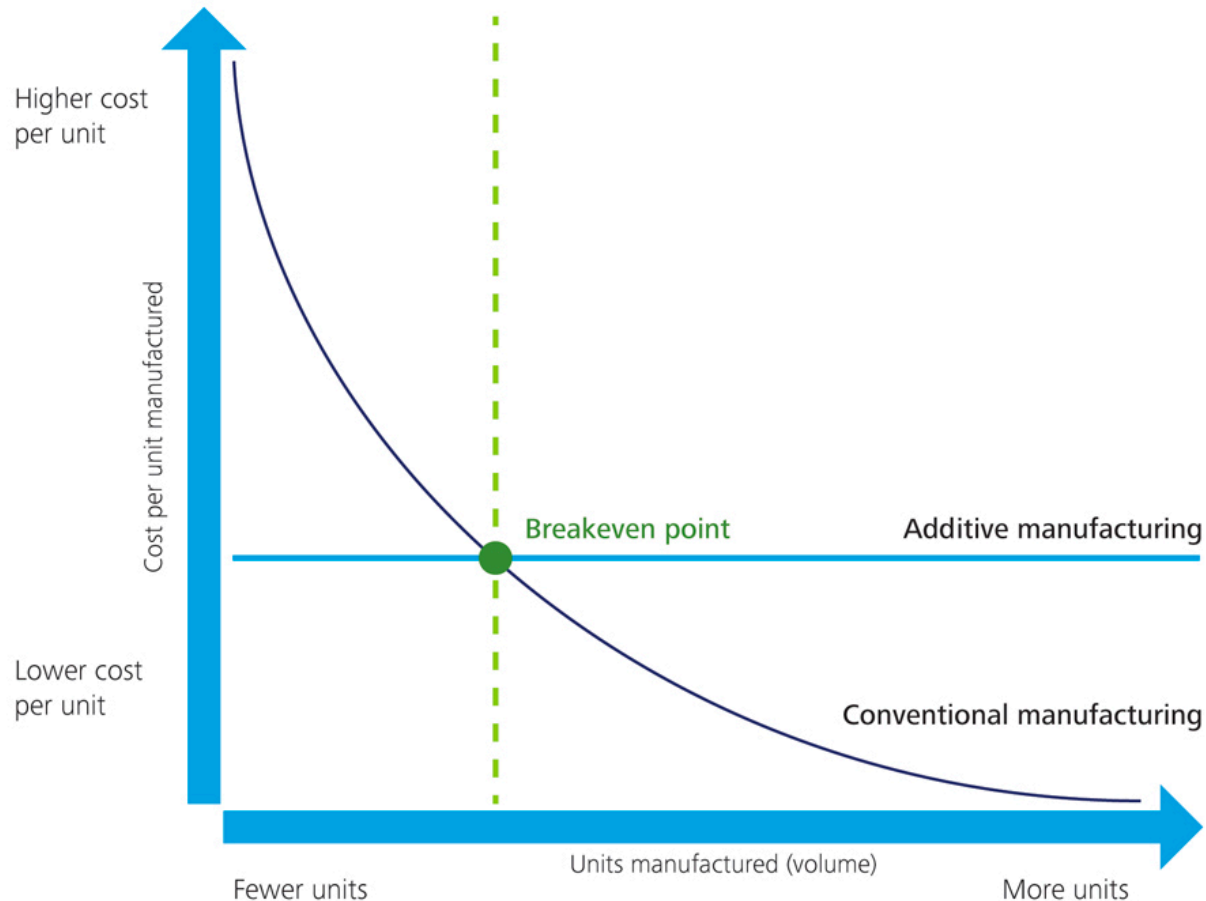
Limitations / Challenges

- ▶ Limited part sizes
- ▶ Limited fabrication speed
- ▶ Limited materials (20k vs. 200 materials)
- ▶ Poor surface finish / low accuracy
- ▶ Inconsistent part quality
- ▶ High cost (machine, material, pre- and post-processing)

General functional principle of laser-sintering



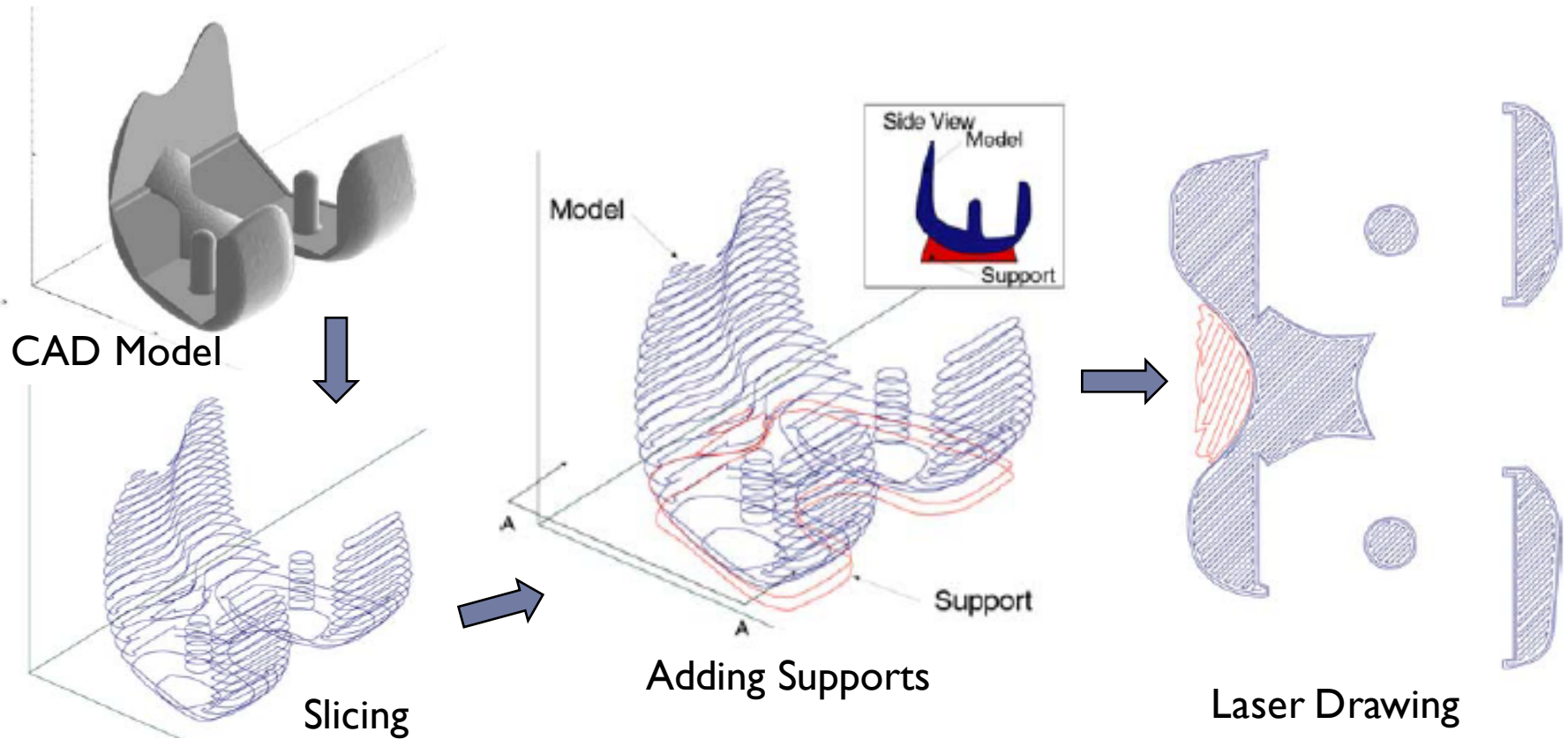
Break-even Analysis of Conventional Manufacturing and 3D Printing



Source: Mark Cotteleer and Jim Joyce, *3D opportunity: Additive manufacturing paths to performance, innovation, and growth*, Deloitte University Press, <http://dupress.com/articles/dr14-3d-opportunity/>, accessed March 17, 2015.

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Main Computation Steps in AM

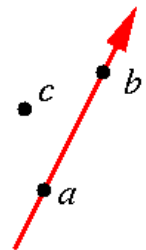


Numerical Robustness

- ▶ Computation in IEEE arithmetic
 - ▶ Limited precision of floating-point arithmetic
- ▶ Geometry becomes inexact after intersection
- ▶ Geometric predicates
 - ▶ Correct?
 - ▶ Self-intersected models?

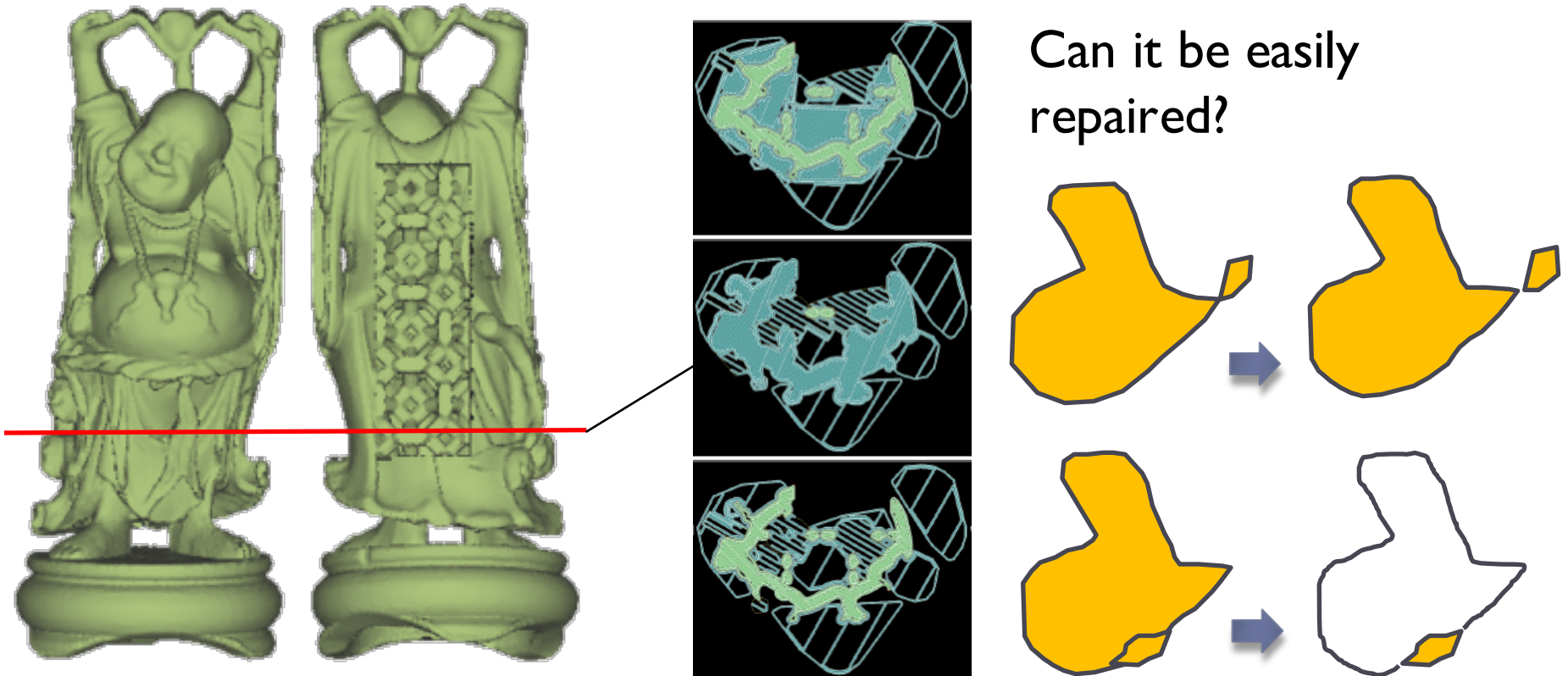
Orientation

Does c lie on, to the left of,
or to the right of \vec{ab} ?

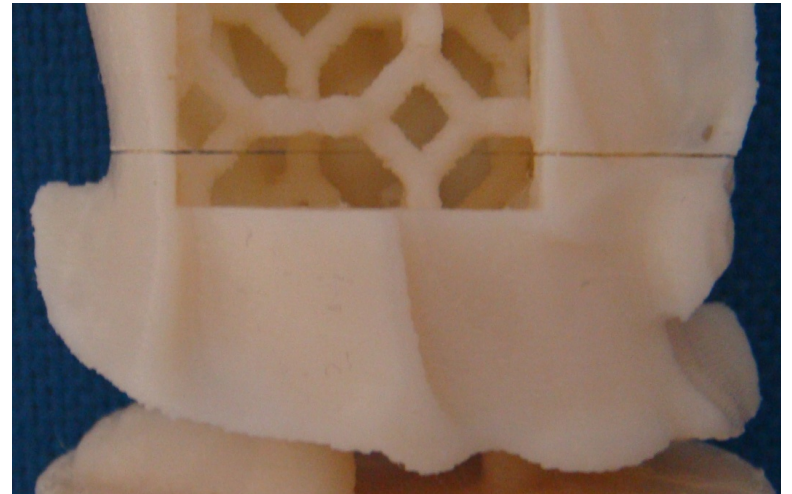
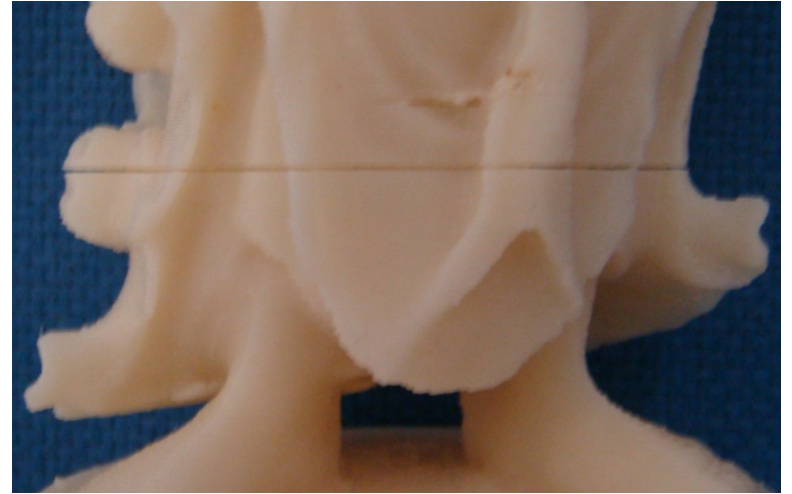


$$\begin{vmatrix} a_x & a_y & 1 \\ b_x & b_y & 1 \\ c_x & c_y & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} a_x - c_x & a_y - c_y \\ b_x - c_x & b_y - c_y \end{vmatrix}$$

Problem of Inexact B-rep

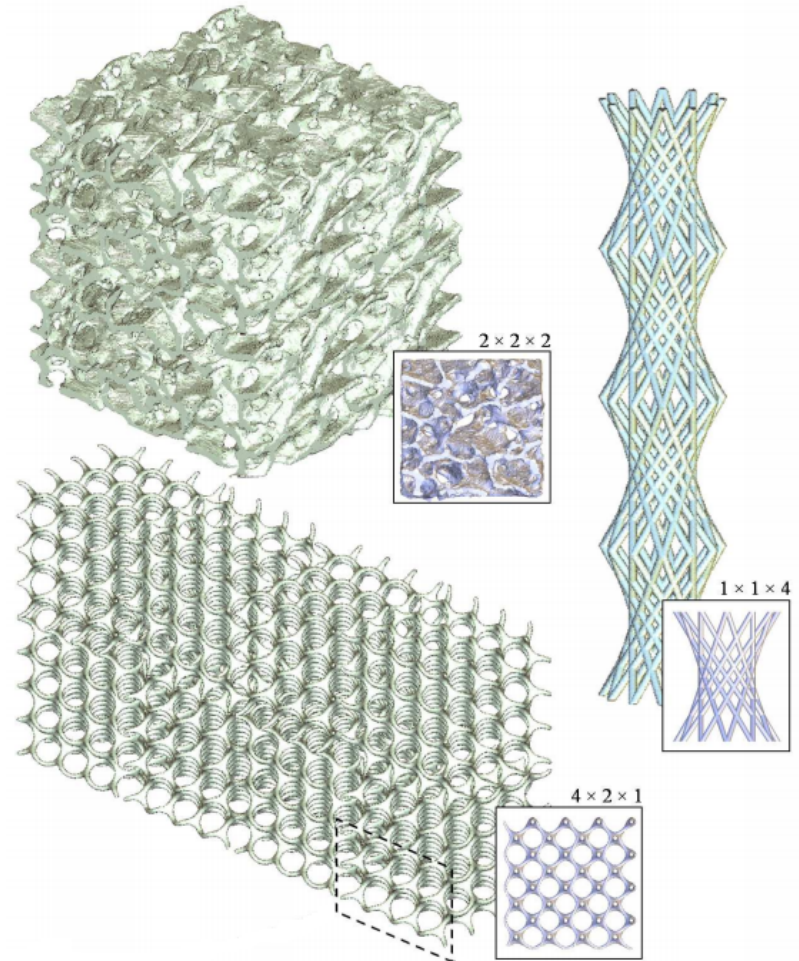
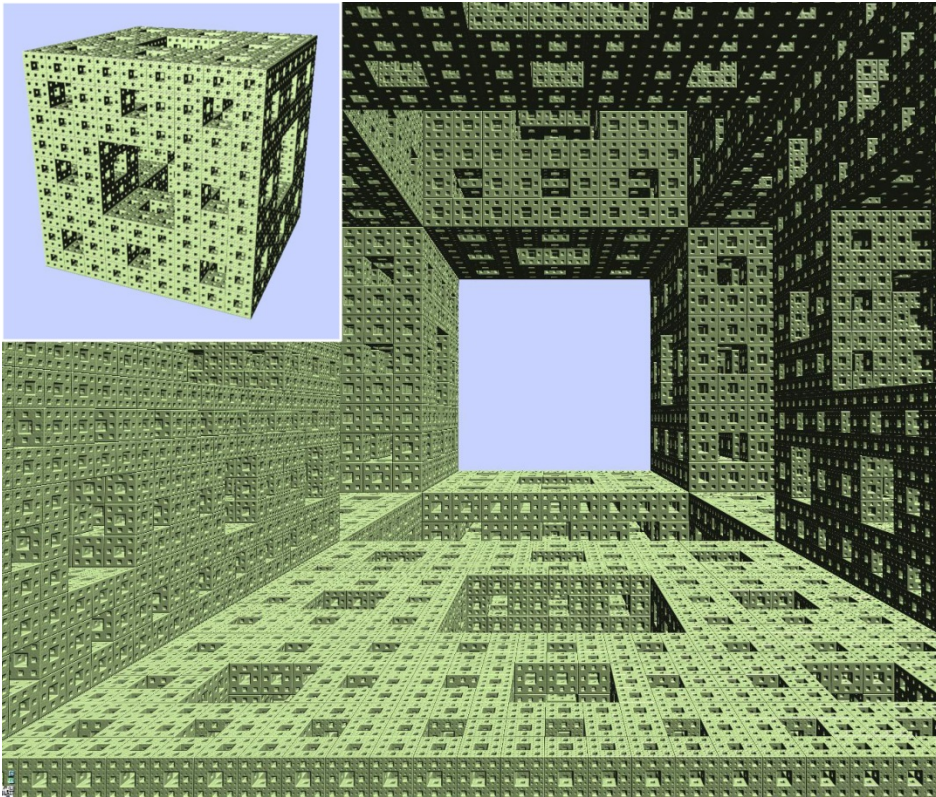


Problem of Inexact B-rep (Cont.)



Robust Computation in Image Space

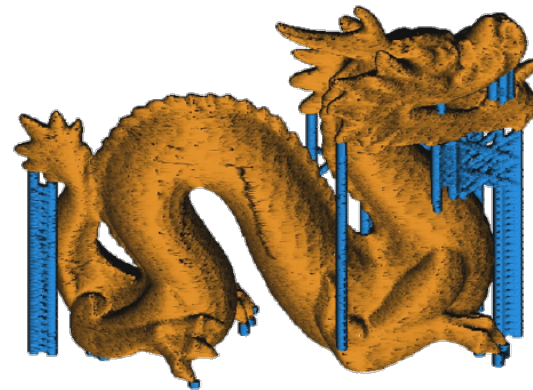
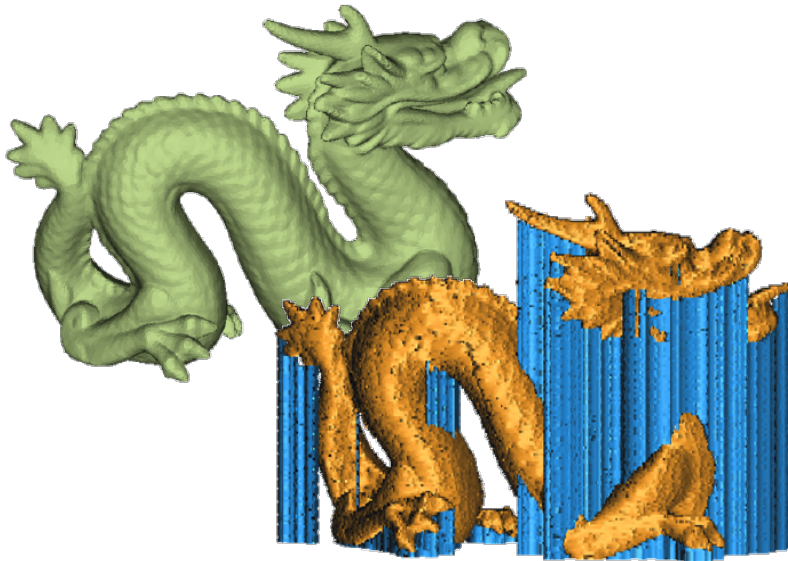
▶ Voxel representation



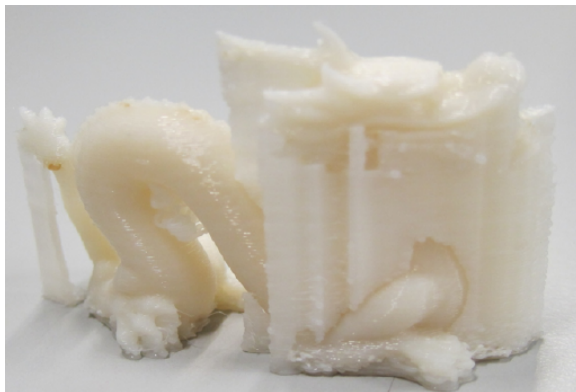
Problem: **Memory Cost** is extremely high

Supporting Structure?

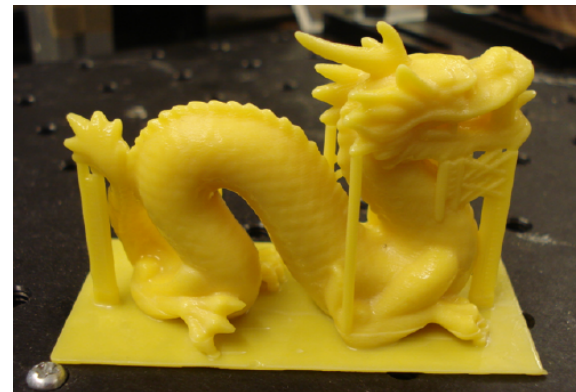
Difference? Why and how?



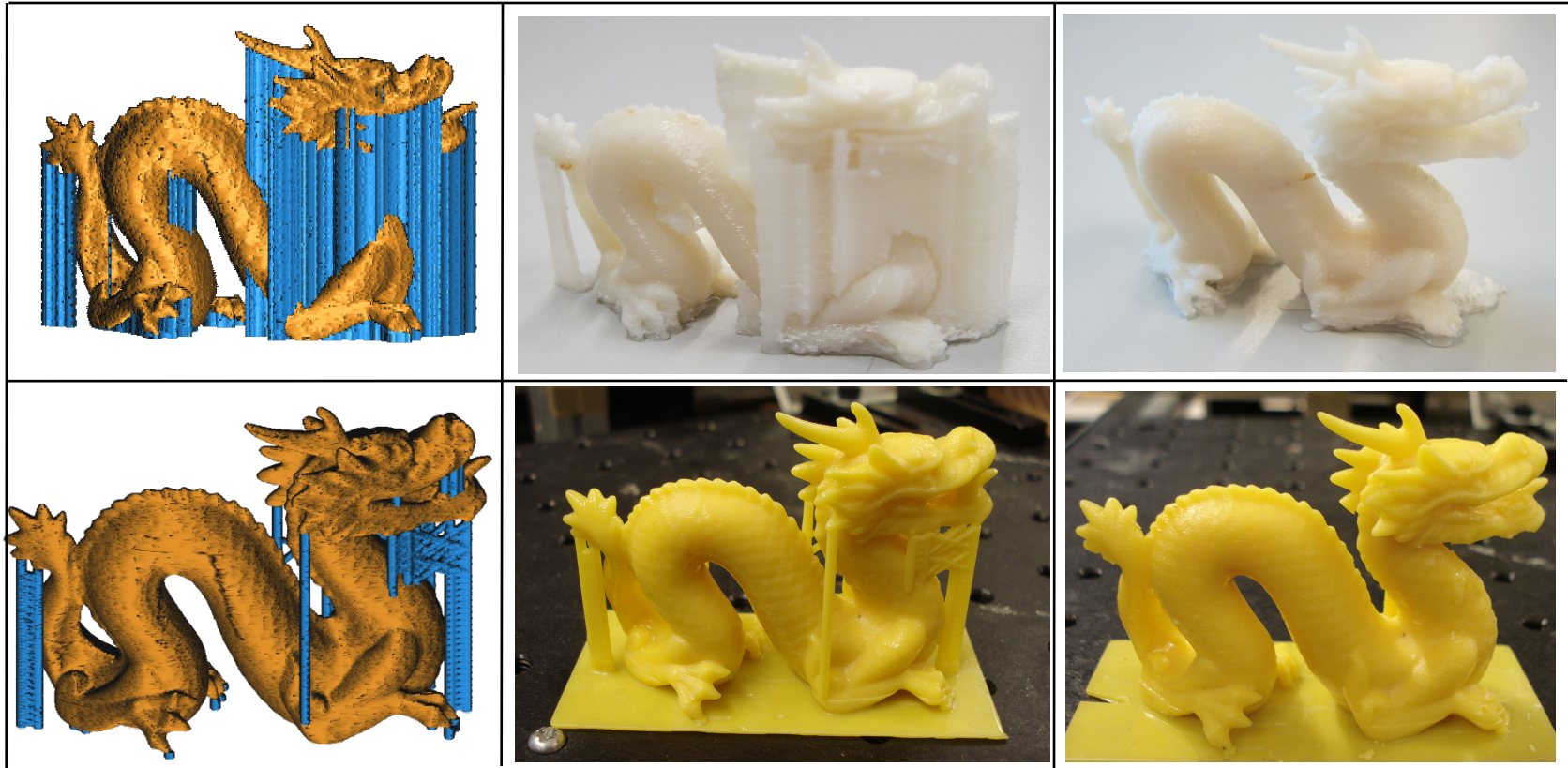
Multi-Materials:
Resolvable
materials for
supporting
structure



Single Material:
Using structures
to support



Support Structure Generation



Direct slicing and support generation resultant contour

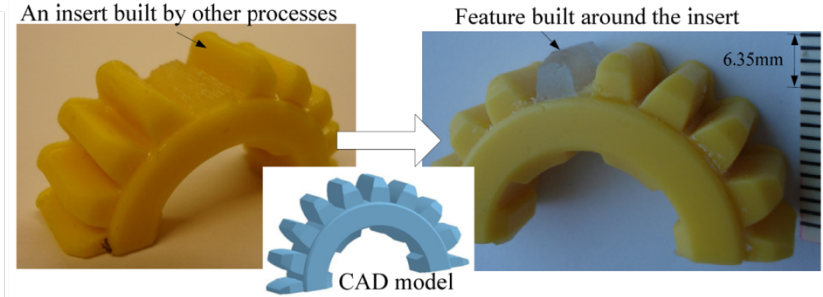
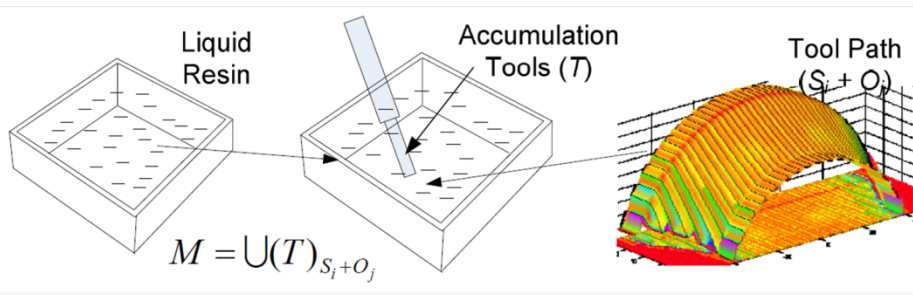
Fabricated part with support

Fabricated part after removing support

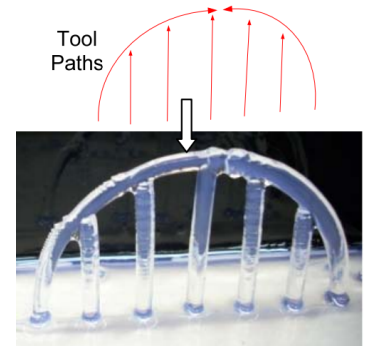
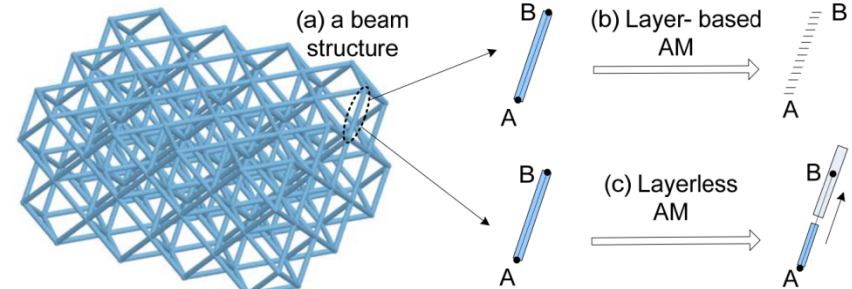
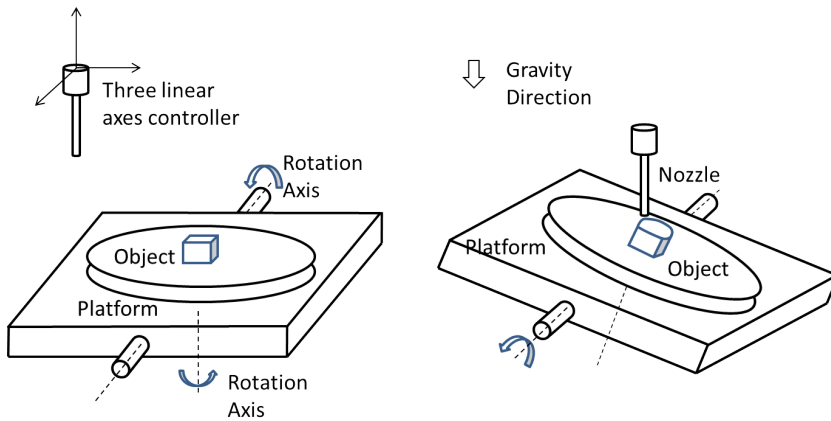
GPU-based Implementation



2.5D vs 3D Printing



CNC accumulation for build-insert-around

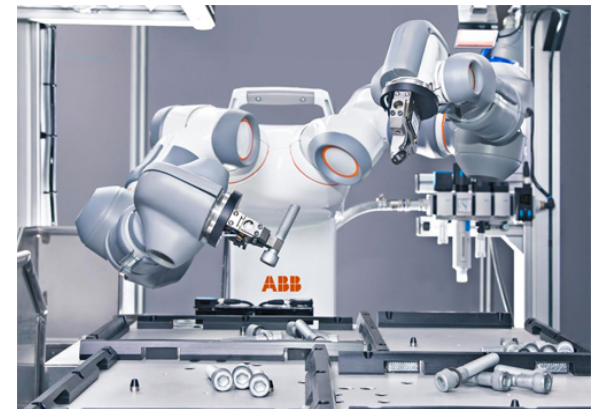


Develop a new **non-layered AM**

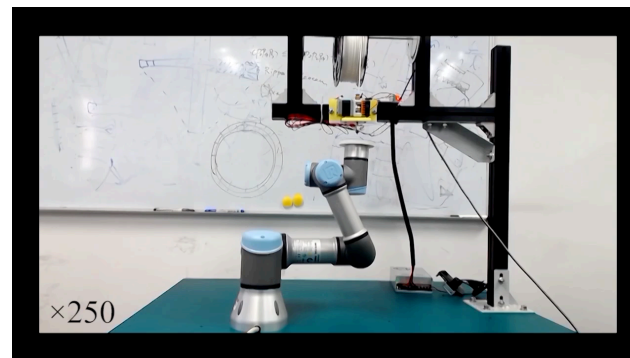
- Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)
- Multi-axis motion introducing more flexibility

Robot-Assisted Additive Manufacturing

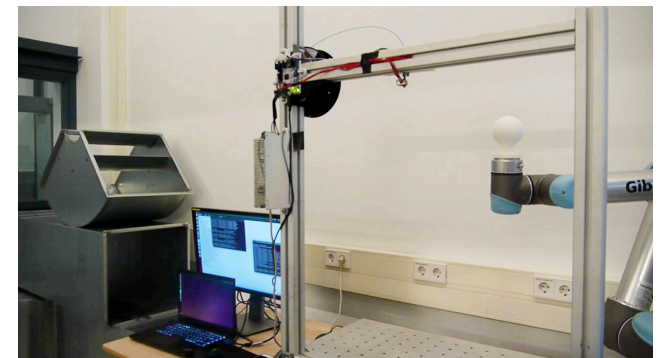
- ▶ Using robot arms as device for motion control in AM
- ▶ Collaborative operations on two arms – **More DoFs** to fabricate curved regions / layers
- ▶ Challenges:
 - ▶ Model **decomposition**
 - ▶ **Collision-free** tool path generation
 - ▶ Configurations in **joint-angle** space



vs



<https://youtu.be/mrR7IKpHo9k>



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From 3D to 4D Printing

- ▶ 3D Printed Self-Assembly Structures
- ▶ How to predict the shape of fabricated model?
- ▶ Pattern Design / Process Optimization / New Triggers



<https://youtu.be/vQB49vNFuI4>

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- ▶ 21 T.-H. Kwok, C.C.L. Wang, D. Deng, Y. Zhang, and Y. Chen, "Four-dimensional printing for freeform surfaces: design optimization of Origami and Kirigami structures", ASME Journal of Mechanical Design, 2015.

Summary Remarks

- ▶ **Conventional** Manufacturing vs. **Additive** Manufacturing
- ▶ Reduce the **challenges** for designers
- ▶ Slicing and support generation
- ▶ Numerical **robustness**
- ▶ **Multi-axis** 3D printing
- ▶ **Robot**-assisted 3D printing
- ▶ 3D printed self-assembly structures (**4D printing**)

Thanks for Your Questions

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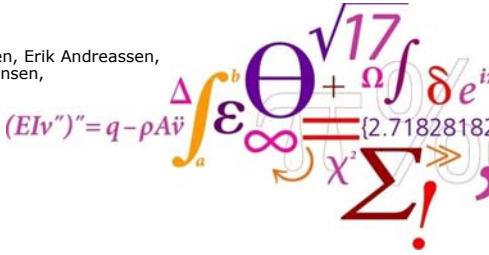
Topology optimization: Basics tools and methods

by Niels Aage

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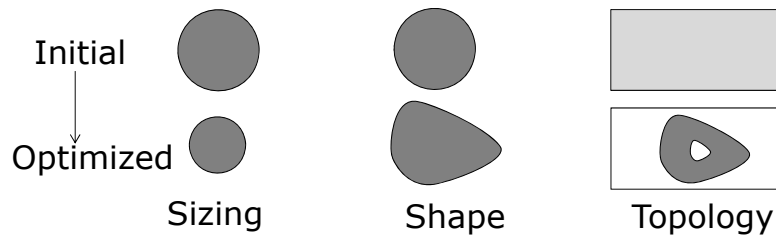


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Classes of structural optimization



Classes of structural optimization methods:

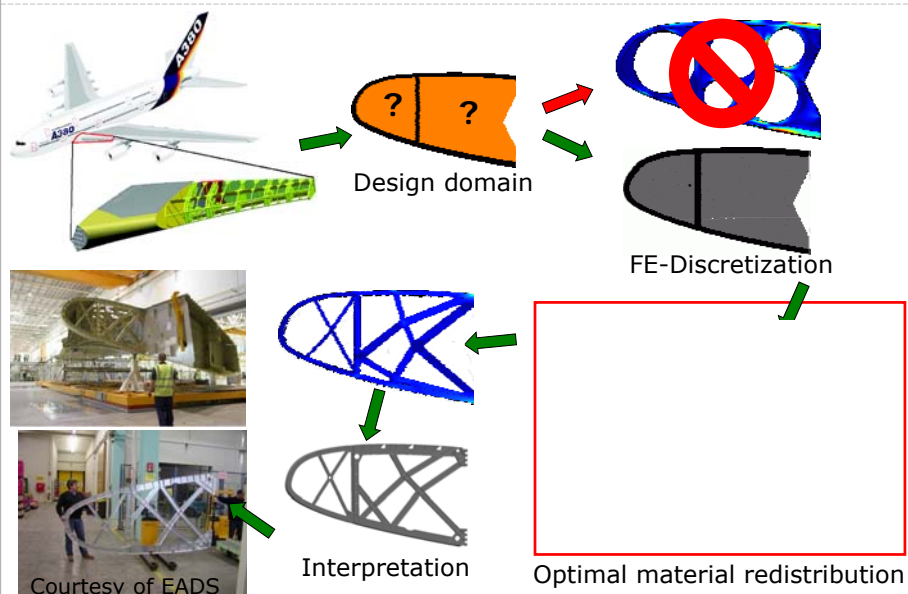


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Topology Optimization in Aerospace

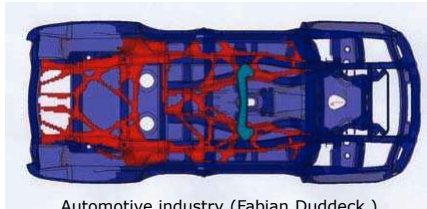
Bendsøe and Kikuchi (1988)



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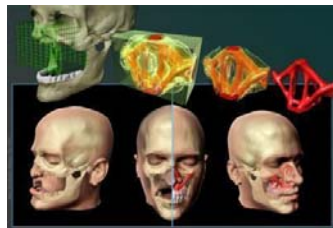
Topology Optimization Applications



Automotive industry (Fabian Duddeck)



Wind turbines (SUZLON and FE-Design GmbH)



Reconstructive surgery (Paulino/Sinn-Hanlon)

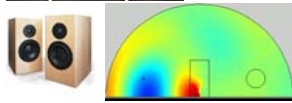


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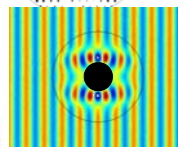
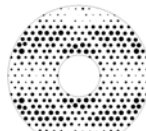
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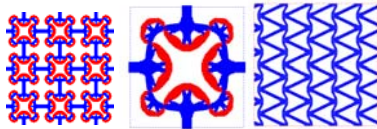
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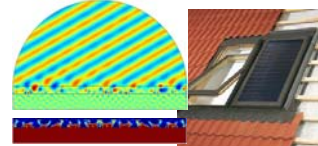
Cloaking



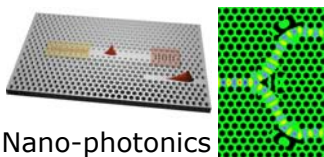
Small antennas



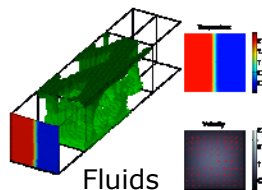
Extreme materials



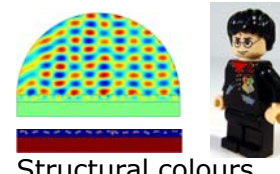
Energy harvesting



Nano-photonics



Fluids



Structural colours

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Before we get started ...

- TopOpt falls into the category of PDE constrained optimization:

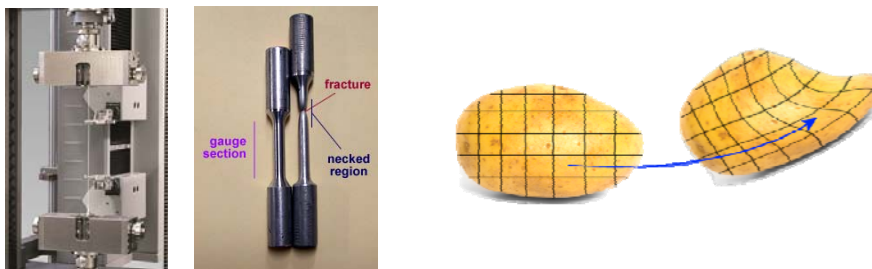
$$\begin{aligned} \min J(y, u) \\ \text{s.t. } c(y, u) = 0, \\ g(y, u) = 0, \\ h(y, u) \in -K \\ y \in \mathcal{Y}_{ad}, u \in \mathcal{U}_{ad}. \end{aligned}$$

u: state variables
 y: control/design variables
 J: Objective function
 c: PDE
 g: equality constraints
 h: Inequality constraints
 &
 $\mathcal{Y}_{ad}, \mathcal{U}_{ad}$: admissible sets

- PDE – Partial Differential Equation:
Often arise from conservation laws in physics.

Basic continuum mechanics

It starts with observations...

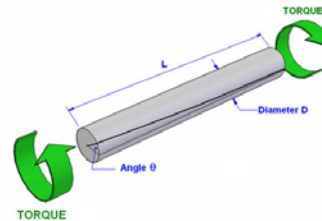
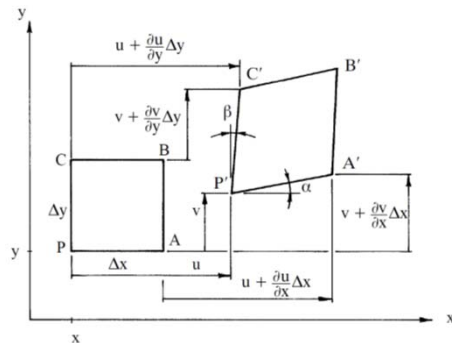


- **Deformations** (displacement)
 - Vector function that maps a material point into its new coordinate, i.e.

$$\mathbf{u} = [u(x, y, z), v(x, y, z), w(x, y, z)]^T$$

Basic continuum mechanics

- **Strains** (measurable) - relative deformation



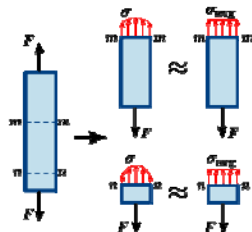
$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_x &= \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, & \epsilon_{xy} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ \epsilon_y &= \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, & \epsilon_{xz} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} \right) \\ \epsilon_z &= \frac{\partial w}{\partial z}, & \epsilon_{yz} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial w}{\partial y} \right) \end{aligned}$$

(elongations - rotations)

- Def.: $\epsilon := \frac{\Delta L}{L}$ - general: (Linear!)

Basic continuum mechanics

- **Stresses** (NOT measurable):



Important - the stress depends on the point (position) AND the orientation of cut-surface.

- Def.: $\sigma_{avg} := \frac{F}{A}$ or $\sigma = \lim_{A \rightarrow 0} \frac{F}{A}$

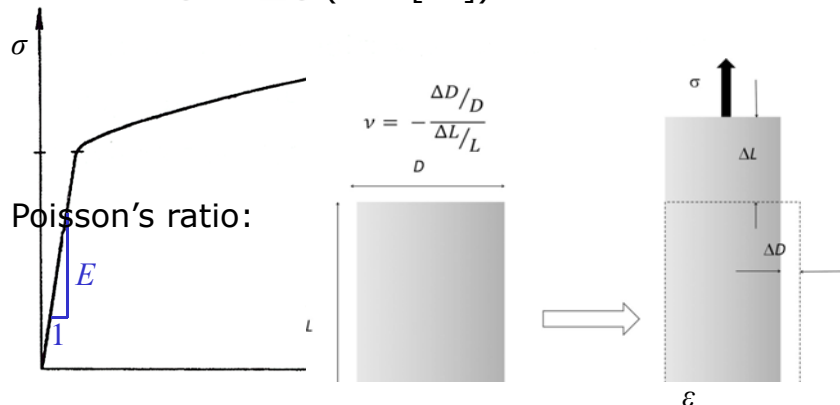
- General stress state: (similar to strains)
$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x & \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_{xz} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_y & \sigma_{yz} \\ \sigma_{xz} & \sigma_{yz} & \sigma_z \end{bmatrix}$$

Basic continuum mechanics

- Hooke's law – linear, isotropic materials:
Just two independent material parameters

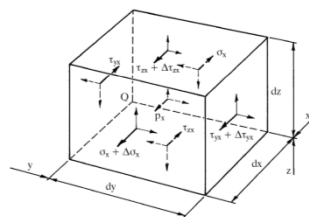
- Stiffness: $\sigma = E\epsilon$ (E in [Pa])

- Poisson's ratio:



Basic continuum mechanics and FEM

Governing equations (using Newton's 2nd law)



The linear system of partial differential equations:

$$\frac{\partial \sigma_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yx}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zx}}{\partial z} + p_x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xy}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \sigma_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \tau_{zy}}{\partial z} + p_y = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau_{xz}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \tau_{yz}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial \sigma_z}{\partial z} + p_z = 0$$

or

$$(\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) + \mu^2 \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{p} = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{E\nu}{(1+\nu)(1-2\nu)}$$

$$\mu = \frac{E}{2(1+\nu)}$$

Constitutive parameters and TopOpt

- Essential since it allows us to interpolate, e.g. stiffness, density, conductivity, ...

$$E(\rho) = E_{\min} + \rho^p(E_{\max} - E_{\min})$$

Different problems need different interpolations

- Principle of virtual work

$$\int_{\Omega} \delta \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^T \mathbf{E}(\rho) \boldsymbol{\epsilon} d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{P} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma_T} \delta \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{t} d\Gamma_T = 0$$

- The finite element method (FEM)

$$\mathbf{K}(\rho) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}$$

Important mechanical quantities

- The von Mises stress (or equivalent tensile stress):

$$\sigma_{vM} = \sqrt{3J_2} \quad \text{or}$$

$$\sigma_{vM}^2 = \frac{1}{2} [(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)^2 + (\sigma_y - \sigma_z)^2 + (\sigma_z - \sigma_x)^2 + 6(\sigma_{xy}^2 + \sigma_{xz}^2 + \sigma_{yz}^2)]$$

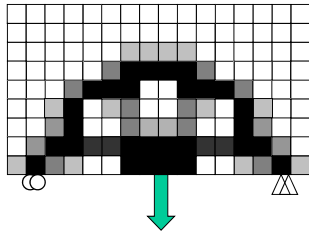
- The strain energy and compliance:

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\sigma}^T \boldsymbol{\epsilon} d\Omega \quad \text{and} \quad C = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u}$$

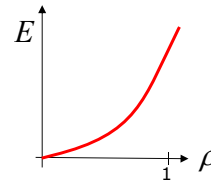
- Stiffness vs compliance: $E = \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial \epsilon}$ vs $C = \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \sigma}$

Discretized SIMP-approach

Bendsøe (1989), Zhou and Rozvany (1991), Mlejnek (1992)



Stiffness interpolation:



$$E(\rho_e) = E_1 + \rho_e^p (E_2 - E_1)$$

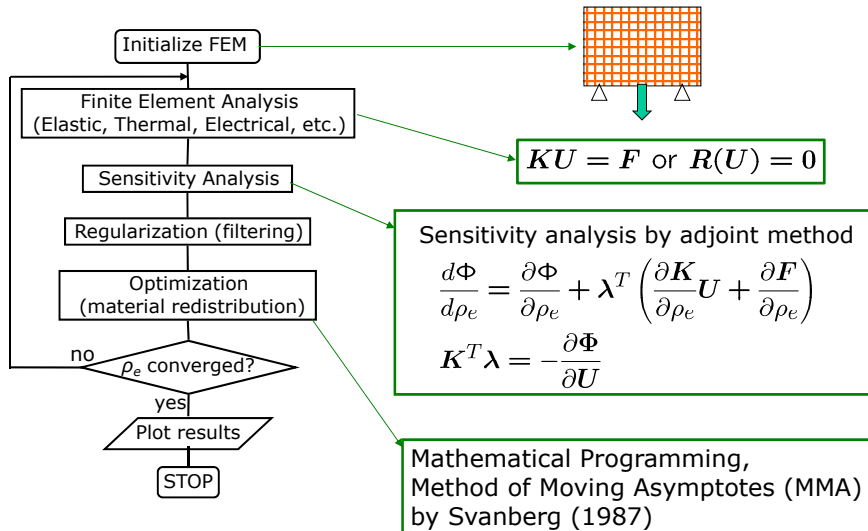
$$p > 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\rho} : & \Phi(\rho, U(\rho)) \\ \text{s.t.} : & \sum_{e=1}^N v_e \rho_e = \mathbf{v}^T \boldsymbol{\rho} \leq V^* \\ & : g_i(\rho, U(\rho)) \leq g_i^*, \quad i = 1, \dots, M \\ & : 0 \leq \rho \leq 1 \\ & (: \mathbf{K}(\rho) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F}) \end{aligned}$$

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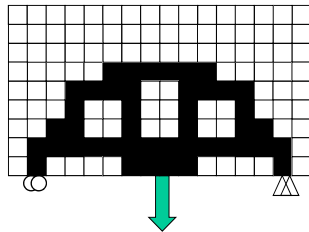
The Topology Optimization Process



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Why gradient based methods ?



$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\rho} : & \Phi(\rho, \mathbf{U}(\rho)) \\ \text{s.t.} : & \sum_{e=1}^N v_e \rho_e = \mathbf{v}^T \boldsymbol{\rho} \leq V^* \\ & : g_i(\rho, \mathbf{U}(\rho)) \leq g_i^*, \quad i = 1, \dots, M \\ & : \rho_e = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{(void)} \\ 1 & \text{(material)} \end{cases}, \quad e = 1, \dots, N \\ & : \mathbf{K}(\rho) \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{F} \end{aligned}$$

0/1 Integer problem

- Combinations: $N=10, M=5 \Rightarrow 252$
 $N=20, M=10 \Rightarrow 185.000$
 $N=40, M=20 \Rightarrow 1.4 \cdot 10^9$
 $N=100, M=50 \Rightarrow 10^{29}$

$$\frac{N!}{(N-M)!M!}$$

Adjoint method for sensitivities - discrete



- A general function and a general residual:

$$\Phi = \Phi(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\rho})), \quad \mathbf{R}(\boldsymbol{\rho}, \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\rho})) = 0$$

- Step 1: differentiate using the chainrule

$$\frac{d\Phi}{d\rho_e} = \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\rho_e} + \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial\rho_e} \quad \frac{d\mathbf{R}}{d\rho_e} = \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\rho_e} + \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial\rho_e} = 0$$

- Problem term – must be eliminated!

- Use the residual eqs.: $\frac{\partial\mathbf{u}}{\partial\rho_e} = - \left(\frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\rho_e}$

Adjoint method for sensitivities - discrete

- Step 2: Insert trouble term into derivative

$$\frac{d\Phi}{d\rho_e} = \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\rho_e} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \left(-\frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\rho_e}}_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}^T}$$

- Step 3: Adjoint problem

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}^T = -\frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \left(\frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \right)^{-1} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}^T}{\partial\mathbf{u}} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = -\frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\mathbf{u}}$$

- Final sensitivity

$$\frac{d\Phi}{d\rho_e} = \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\rho_e} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\rho_e}$$

Adjoint method for sensitivities - discrete

- Example problem – Linear compliance

$$\Phi = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u}, \quad \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{K}(\rho) \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{0}$$

- The 4 required terms become

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\rho_e} &= \mathbf{u}^T \frac{\partial\mathbf{K}}{\partial\rho_e} \mathbf{u} & \frac{\partial\Phi}{\partial\mathbf{u}} &= 2\mathbf{F} \\ \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\rho_e} &= \frac{\partial\mathbf{K}}{\partial\rho_e} \mathbf{u} & \frac{\partial\mathbf{R}}{\partial\mathbf{u}} &= \mathbf{K} = \mathbf{K}^T \end{aligned}$$

- The adjoint becomes (so-called self-adjoint!):

$$\mathbf{K}(\rho) \boldsymbol{\lambda} = -2\mathbf{F} \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\lambda} = -2\mathbf{u}$$

Adjoint method for sensitivities - discrete

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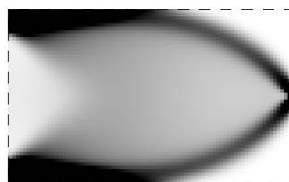
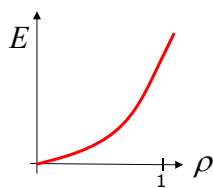
- The sensitivity now reads

$$\frac{d\Phi}{d\rho_e} = \mathbf{u}^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{K}}{\partial \rho_e} \mathbf{u} - 2\mathbf{u}^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{K}}{\partial \rho_e} \mathbf{u} = -\mathbf{u}^T \frac{\partial \mathbf{K}}{\partial \rho_e} \mathbf{u}$$

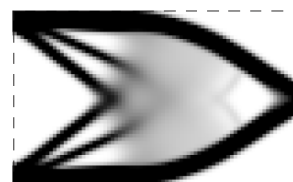
$$\text{with: } \frac{\partial \mathbf{K}}{\partial \rho_e} = p\rho^{p-1}(E_{\max} - E_{\min})\mathbf{K}_0$$

- Note: this is a negative scaled strain energy

SIMP (Simplified Isotropic Material with Penalization)



Voigt ($p=1$)



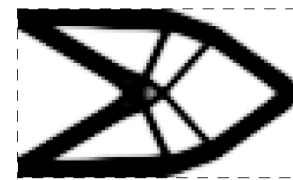
$p=1.5$

$$E(\rho_e) = \rho_e^p E_0$$

$$p \geq 1$$



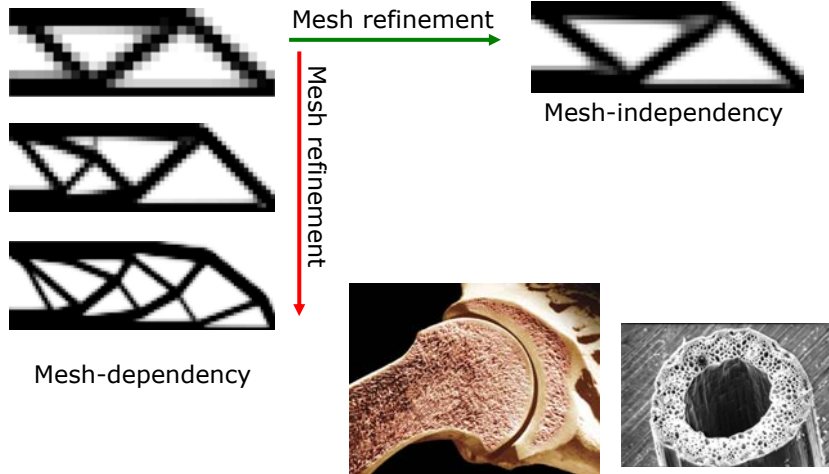
$p=2$



$p=3$

Physical motivation for SIMP in Bendsøe and Sigmund, *AAM*, 1999, 69, 635-654

Mesh-dependence



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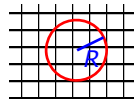
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Regularization by sensitivity filtering



Neighborhood:

$$N_e = \{i \mid \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_e\| \leq R\}$$



Checkerboards

Density filtering: (Bruns/Bourdin 2001)

$$E_e(\rho) = \tilde{\rho}_e^p E_0, \quad \tilde{\rho}_e = \frac{\sum_{i \in N_e} H(\mathbf{x}_i) \rho_i}{\sum_{i \in N_e} H(\mathbf{x}_i)}$$



Mesh refinement

PDE-based filtering: (Lazarov&Sigmund, 2011)

$$\hat{w} - r^2 \hat{w}_{,mm} = \bar{w}$$

$$\bar{w} = \rho \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \rho} (= -p \rho^p C_{ijkl}^0 \varepsilon_{ij} \varepsilon_{kl} = -SED)$$



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Alternative regularizations



Tikhonov / phase-field regularization

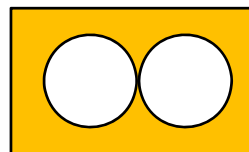
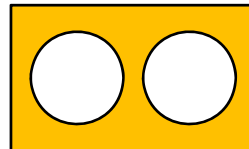
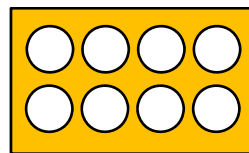
$$\tilde{\Phi}(\rho) = \Phi(\rho) + \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \rho(1 - \rho) + \varepsilon \|\nabla \rho\|^2 \right) dV$$

Global regularization schemes



Perimeter control

$$TV = \int_{\Omega} \|\nabla \rho\| d\Omega \leq P^*$$

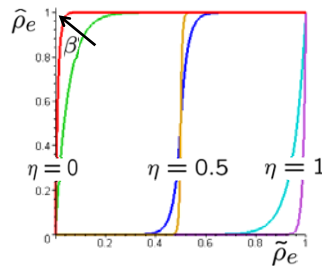


Heaviside projection methods



ρ → $\tilde{\rho}(\rho)$ → $\hat{\rho}(\tilde{\rho}(\rho))$
 Design variables Density filter Projection

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(\tilde{\rho} - \eta))}{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(1 - \eta))}$$



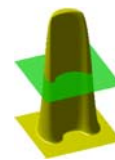
Projection method Guest et al (2004)



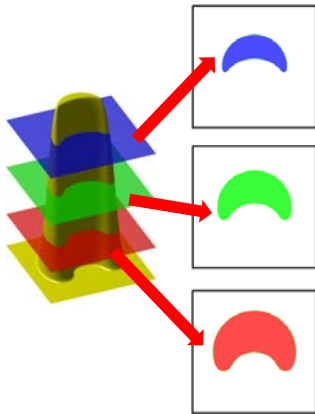
Design variables Density filtering Projection
 ρ → $\tilde{\rho}(\rho)$ → $\hat{\rho}(\tilde{\rho}(\rho))$

$$-r^2 \Delta \tilde{\rho} + \tilde{\rho} = \rho$$

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(\tilde{\rho} - \eta))}{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(1 - \eta))}$$



"Robust" design formulation



$$\min_{\rho} : \max \left(\mathbf{f}(\bar{\rho}^e(\rho)), \mathbf{f}(\bar{\rho}^i(\rho)), \mathbf{f}(\bar{\rho}^d(\rho)) \right)$$

$$s.t. : \mathbf{K}(\bar{\rho}^e) \mathbf{u}^e = \mathbf{f}$$

$$: \mathbf{K}(\bar{\rho}^i) \mathbf{u}^i = \mathbf{f}$$

$$: \mathbf{K}(\bar{\rho}^d) \mathbf{u}^d = \mathbf{f}$$

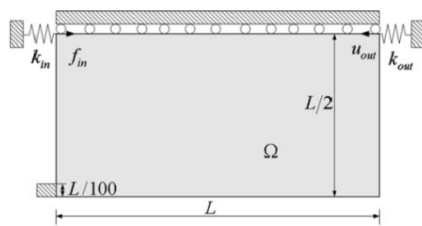
$$: f_v(\rho) = \frac{\sum_i \bar{\rho}_i^d v_i}{V} \leq V_d^*$$

$$: 0 \leq \rho \leq 1$$

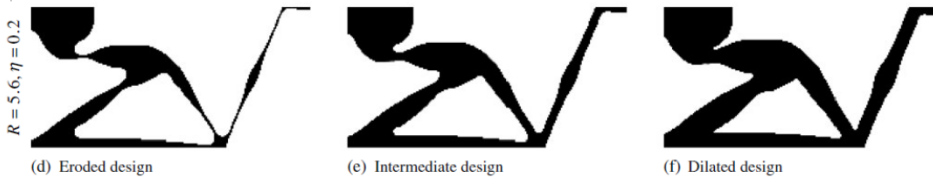
"Robust" design formulation



- Force inverter – hinges in standard formulation



- Robust formulation - no hinges ☺



Weapon of choice in TopOpt - MMA



The Method of Moving Asymptotes (Svanberg 1987).

- Problem you want to solve
- Problem that MMA solves

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & g_0(x) \\
 \text{s.t.} & g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, m \\
 & x_{\min} \leq x_j \leq x_{\max}, \quad j = 1, n
 \end{array}
 \qquad
 \begin{array}{ll}
 \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m, z \in \mathbb{R}} & f_0(x) + z + \frac{1}{2}z^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m \left(y_i c_i + \frac{1}{2}y_i^2 \right) \\
 \text{s.t.} & f_i(x) - a_i z - y_i \leq 0, \quad i = 1, m \\
 & \alpha_j \leq x_j \leq \beta_j, \quad j = 1, n \\
 & y_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, m \\
 & z \geq 0
 \end{array}$$

- Using first order convex separable approximations:

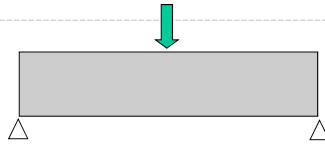
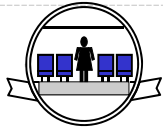
$$f_i(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{p_{ij}}{U_j - x_j} + \frac{q_{ij}}{x_j - L_j} \right) + r_i$$

Understanding the principles of TopOpt



Influence of number of load cases
and boundary conditions

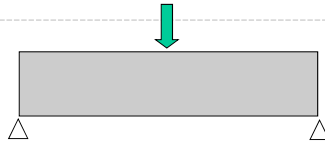
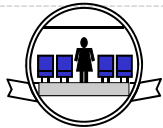
TopOpt for a simply supported beam



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One or more load cases?

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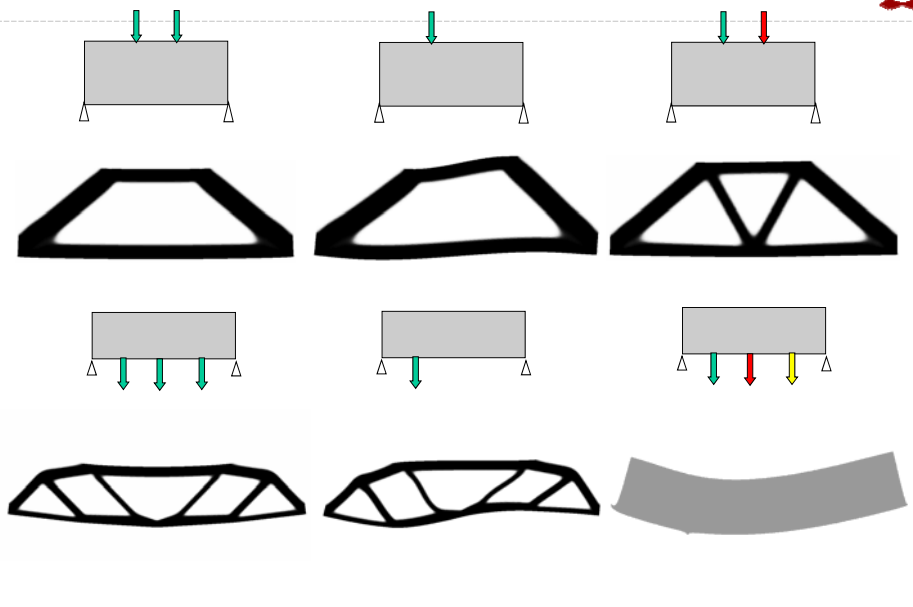
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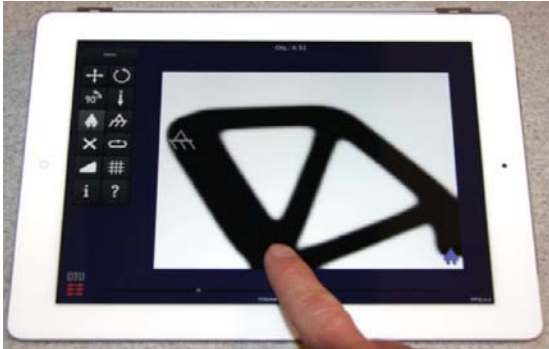
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The "TopOpt App"



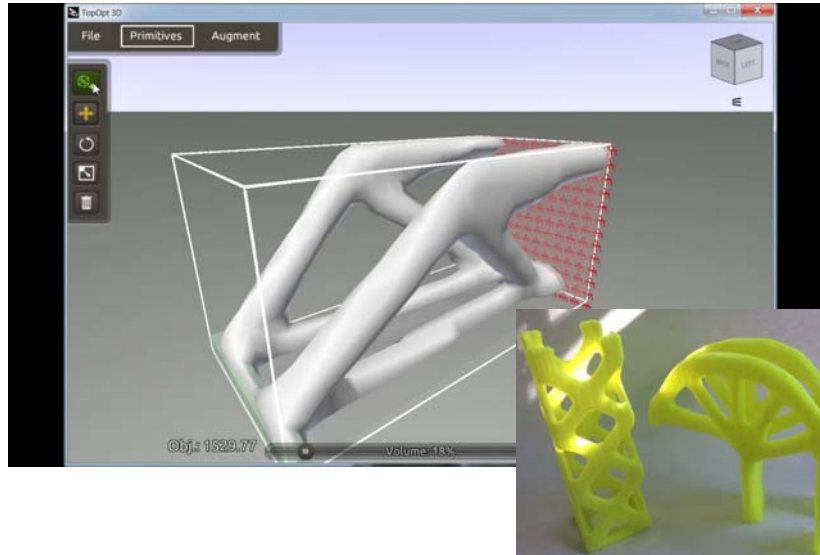


The "TopOpt App": AppStore (iOS)
Google Play (Android)
Web-version: www.topopt.dtu.dk

Stats: May 2016:
 Android: 5380, iOS: 9450 See www.topopt.dtu.dk for more

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TopOpt3D App



Stats: May 2016:
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(NB! Only iOS, OSX and PC – see www.topopt.dtu.dk)

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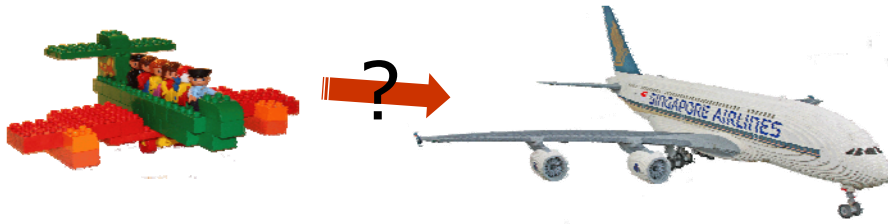
Code refs and image of topopt site

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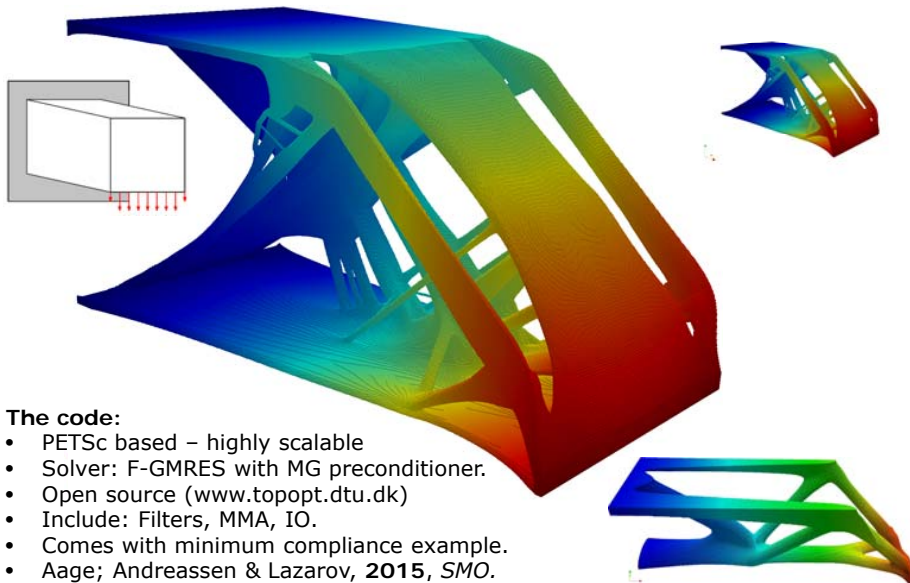
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High resolution TopOpt

(overcoming the Duplo problem)



+ 100M design variables



The code:

- PETSc based – highly scalable
- Solver: F-GMRES with MG preconditioner.
- Open source (www.topopt.dtu.dk)
- Include: Filters, MMA, IO.
- Comes with minimum compliance example.
- Aage; Andreassen & Lazarov, 2015, *SMO*.

GrabCAD Challenge 2013 (640 entries)

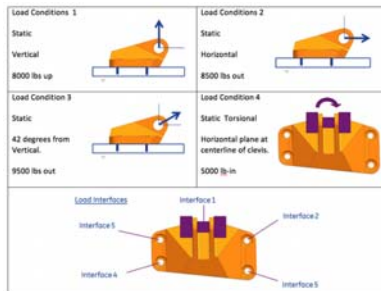
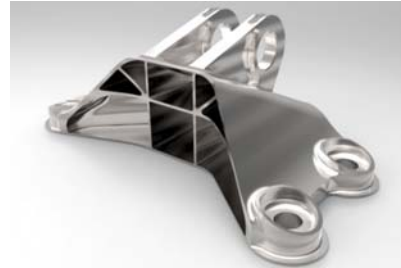


Minimize weight of additive manufactured jet engine bracket

Design problem



Winner – 340 g
16 % volume fraction

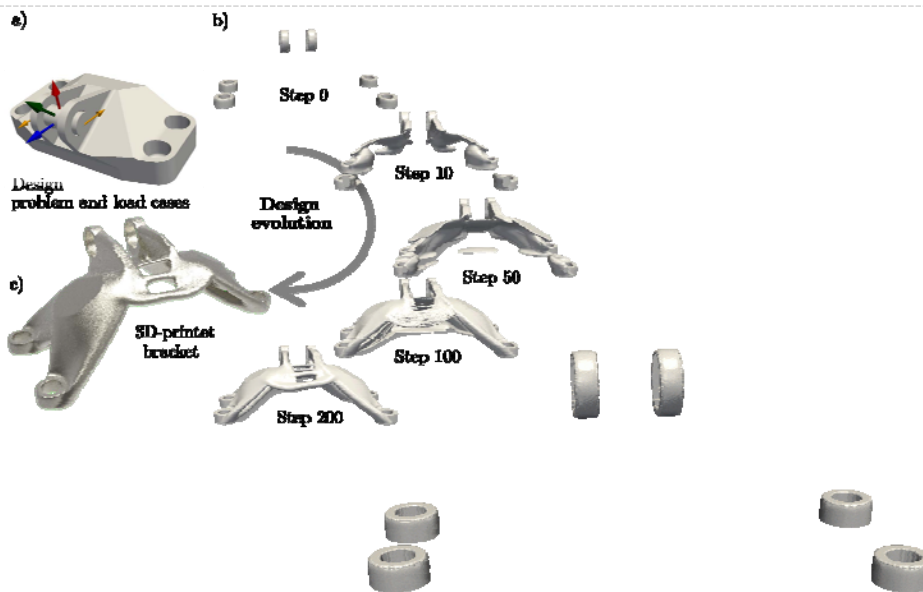


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Design history



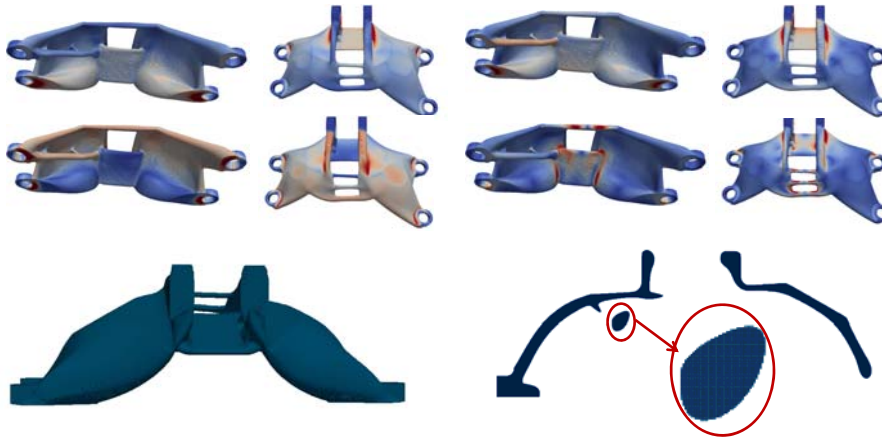
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Optimized bracket



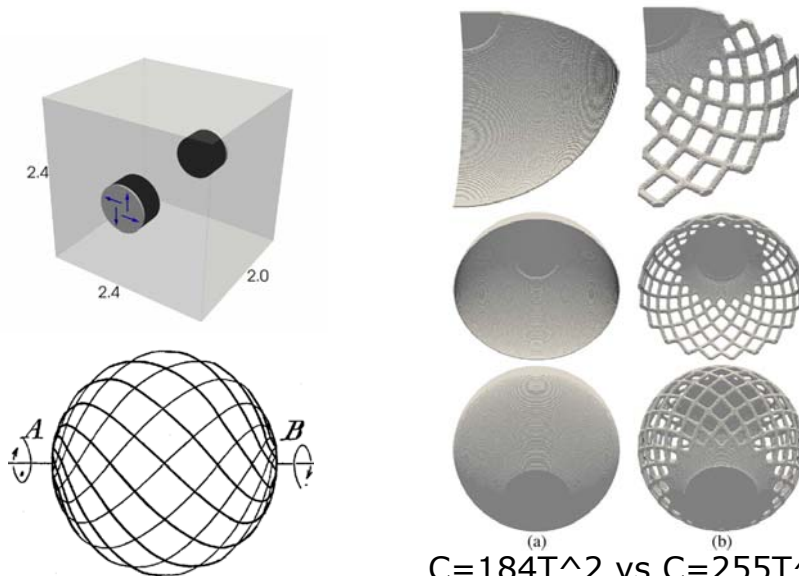
- 35M cubic elements (size 0.6mm)
- Result obtained in approximately 12,000 CPU hours
- Target weight 300 g (10% lighter than challenge winner)
- Max. von Mises stress around 700 MPa (yield stress >900 MPa)



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Rediscovering optimality - Michell

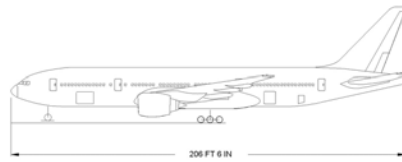
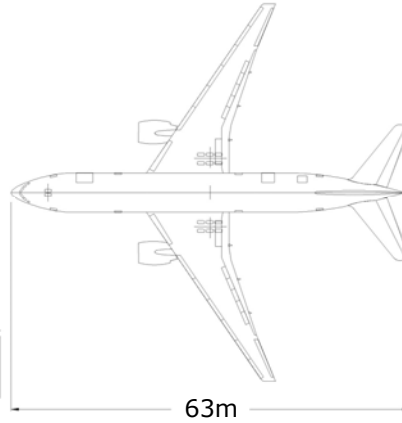
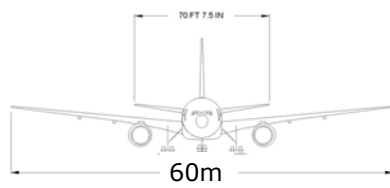


$$C=184T^2 \text{ vs } C=255T^2$$

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Boeing 777 dimensions



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NASA Common Research Model



Geometry and pressure load data from NASA:



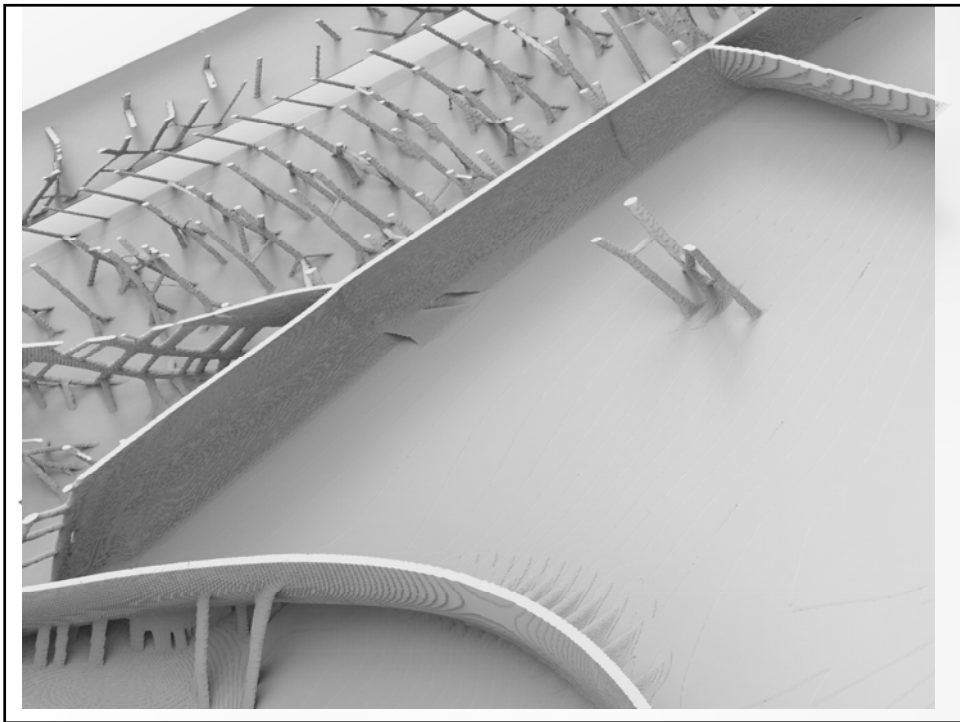
Discretized including supports and loads



Mesh with **~1.1 billion** elements (1216 x 256 x 3456)...
... largest element side **0.8 cm** (wing is $\sim 26.5\text{m} \times 11.5\text{m} \times 2\text{m}$)

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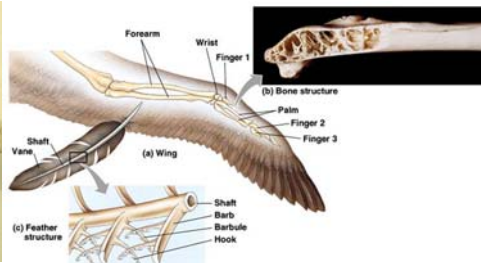
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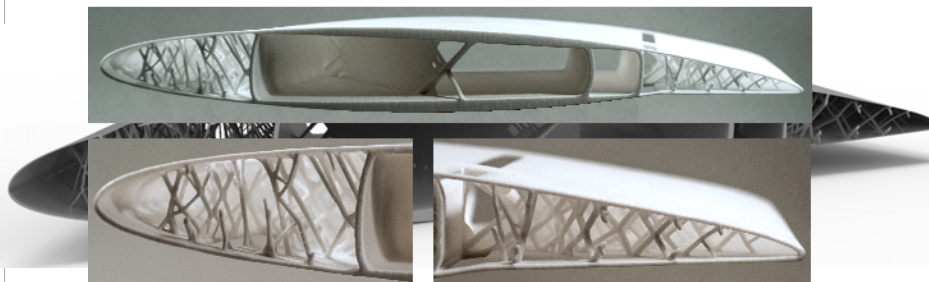
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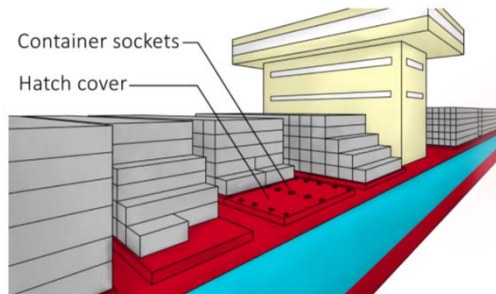
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Designing containership components



Study with Mærsk Line with the goal to reduce costs.



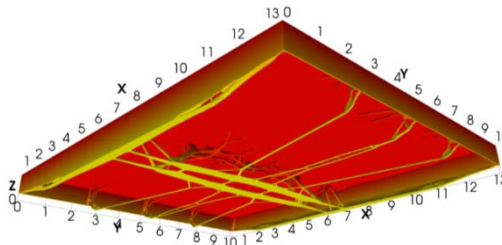
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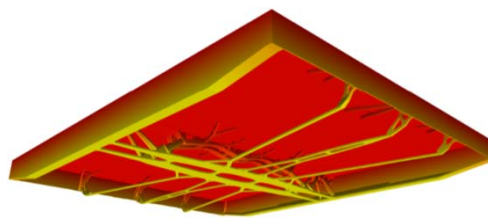
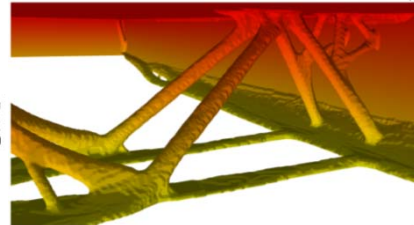
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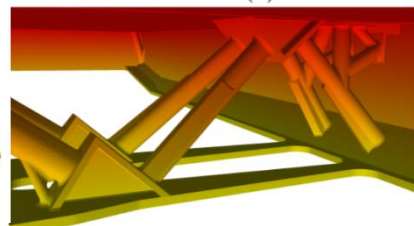
Parameterizing the optimized design (manually!)



Optimized



Interpreted



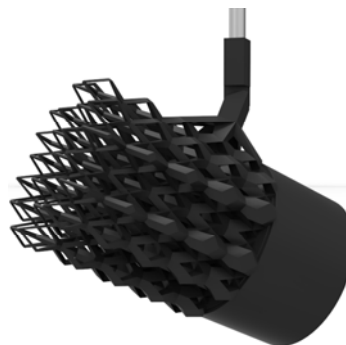
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Cooling fins for LED lamps



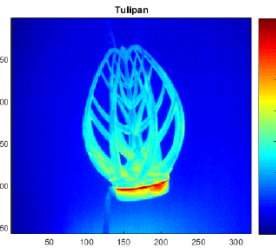
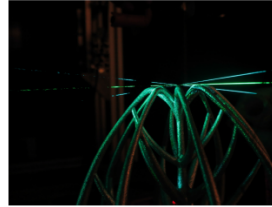
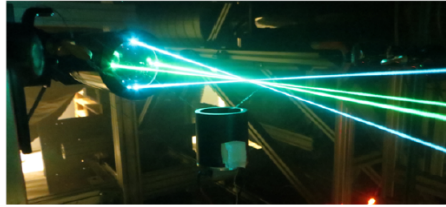
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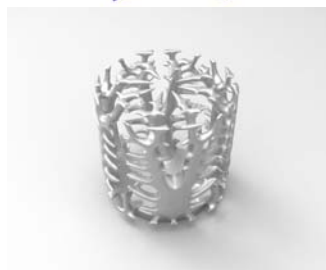
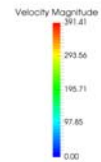
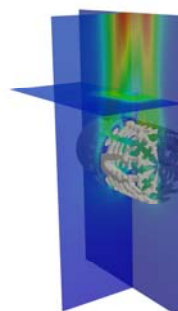
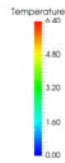
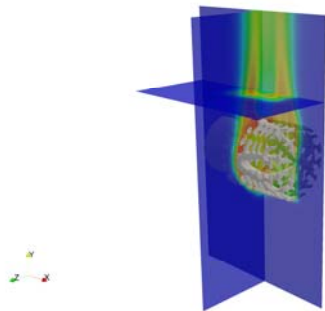
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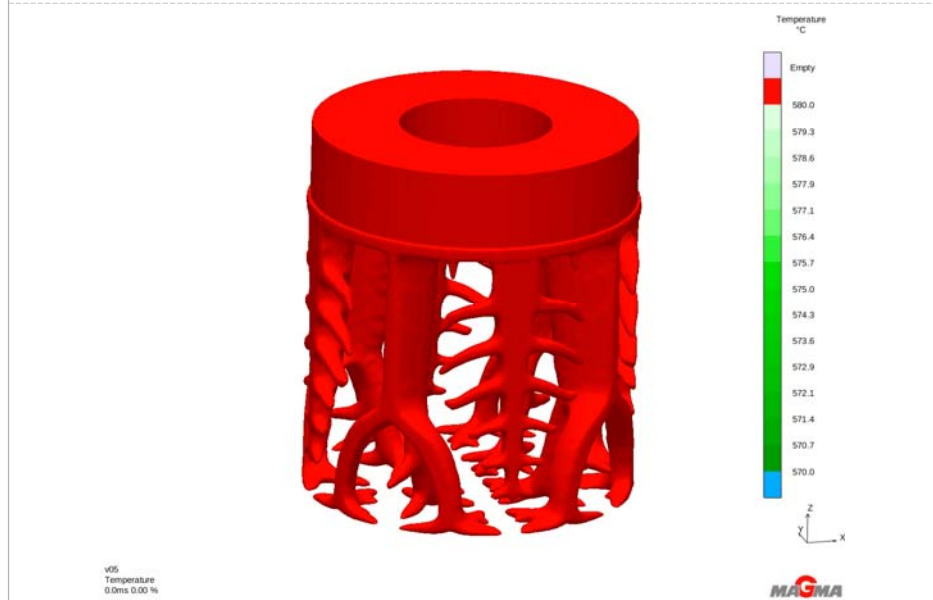


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Optimal casting?



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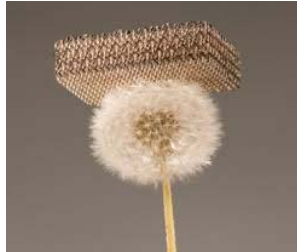
Integration with AM and design of "shell structures"



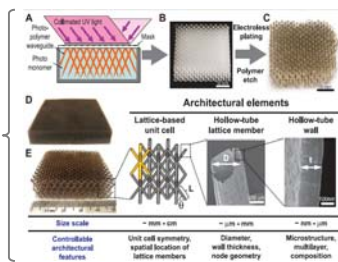
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Coating and stiff interface structures



Infill printed by FDM



Schaedler et al., Science 334 (6058): 962-965, 2011



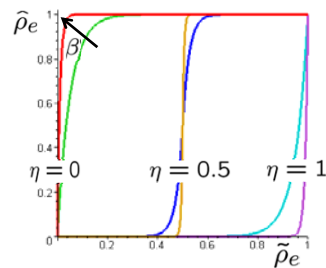
Repeated filtering and projection



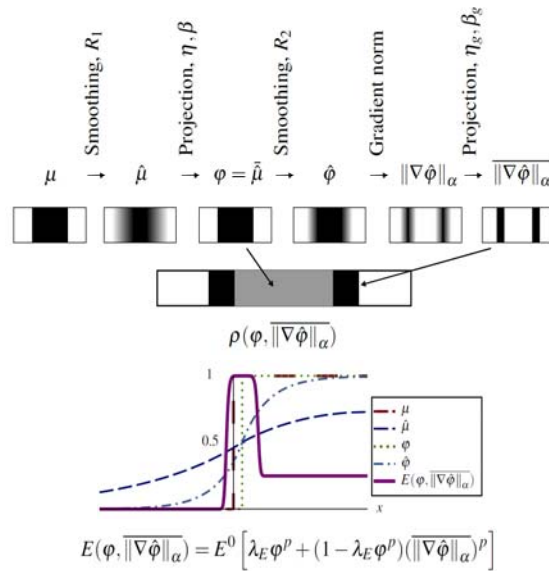
$$\rho \rightarrow \tilde{\rho}(\rho) \rightarrow \hat{\rho}(\tilde{\rho}(\rho))$$

Design variables Density filter Projection

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(\tilde{\rho} - \eta))}{\tanh(\beta\eta) + \tanh(\beta(1 - \eta))}$$



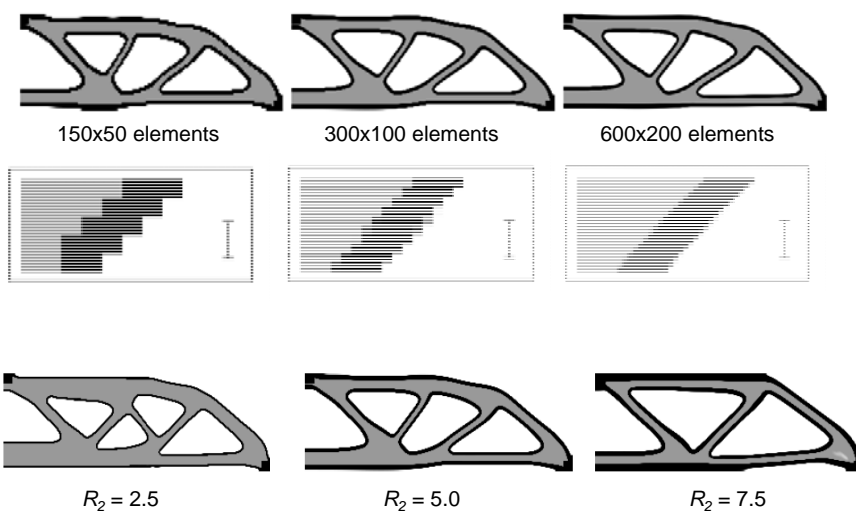
Material interpolation model



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Results and convergence

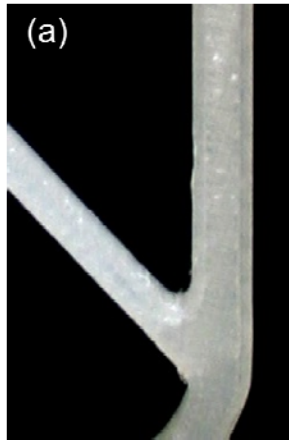


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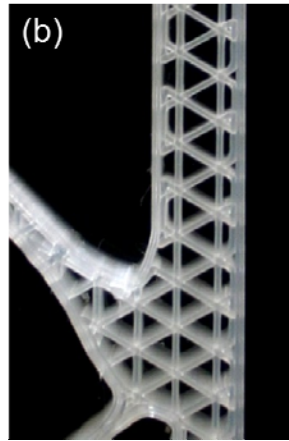
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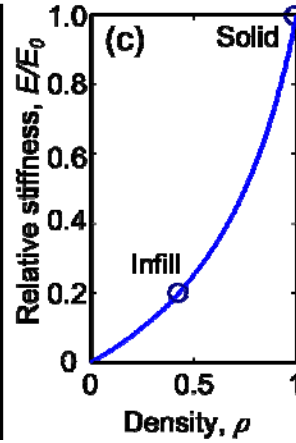
TopOpt formulation for coating and infill



Standard



Coating



Infill properties

Clausen; Aage & OS, *CMAME*, 2015, 290, 524-541

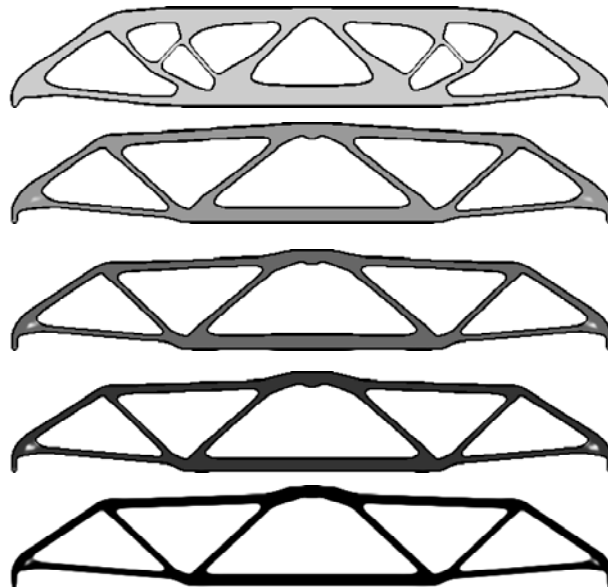
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Dependence on infill stiffness



Decreasing infill density



Decreasing compliance



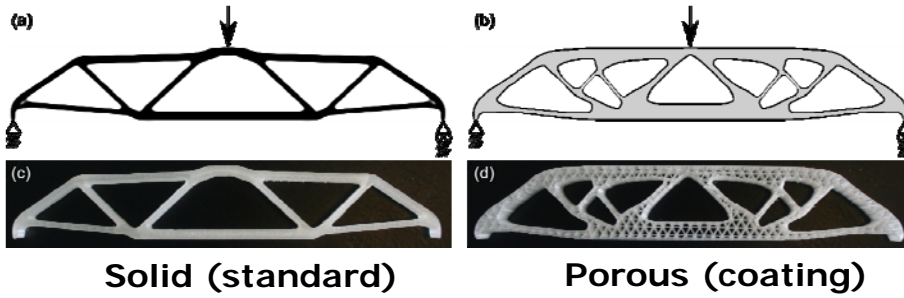
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Mechanical tests on MBB beam



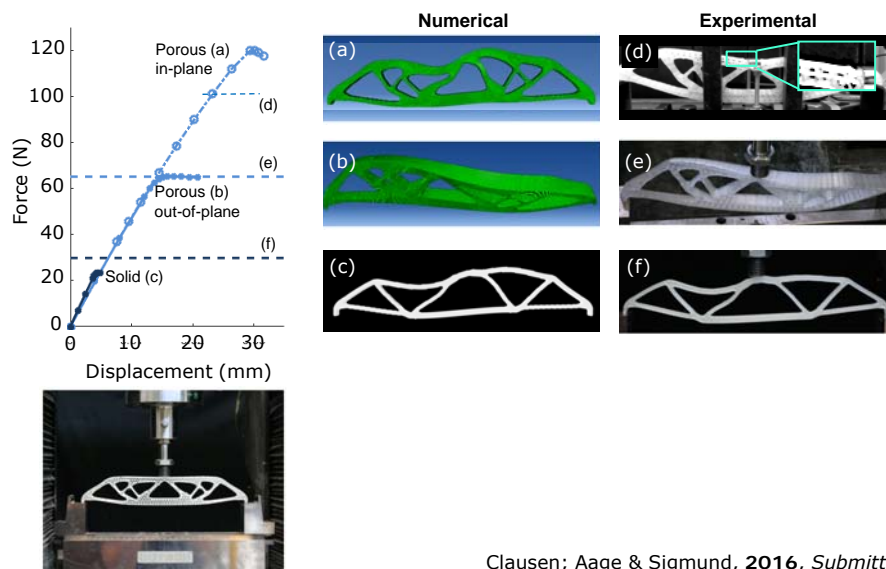
Print material: SEBS (Styrene-Ethylene-Butylene-Styrene)



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Buckling load improved >5 times



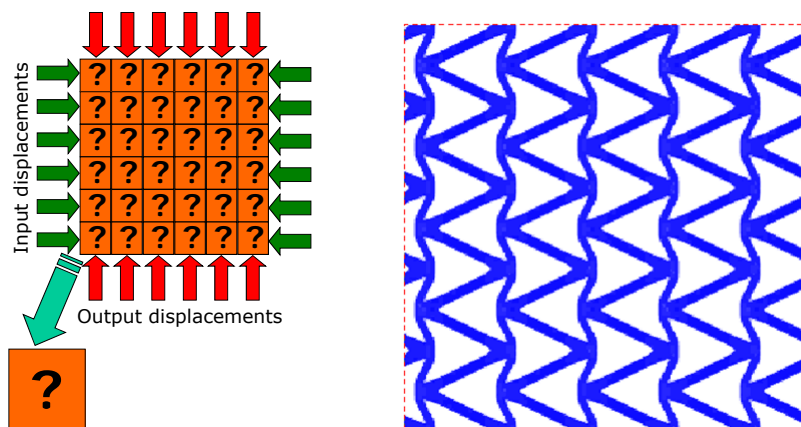
Clausen; Aage & Sigmund, 2016, Submitted

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Material design problems

Material with negative Poisson's ratio



- FE on one cell with periodic B.C.
- Minimize Poisson's ratio
- Constraint on bulk modulus and symmetry

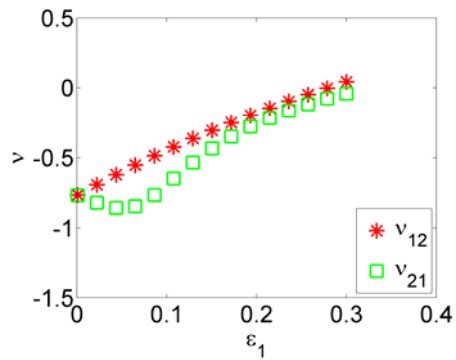
Sigmund (1995)

Non-linear material modelling



$$\nu_{12} = -0.766$$

$$\nu_{21} = -0.770$$



Wang et al., *JMPS*, 2014

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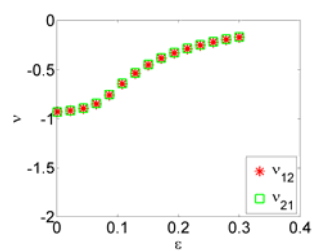
Negative Poisson's ratio design



Linear case

$$\nu_{12} = -0.931$$

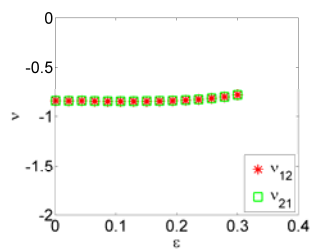
$$\nu_{21} = -0.929$$



Nonlinear case

$$\bar{\nu}_{12} = -0.838$$

$$\bar{\nu}_{21} = -0.838$$

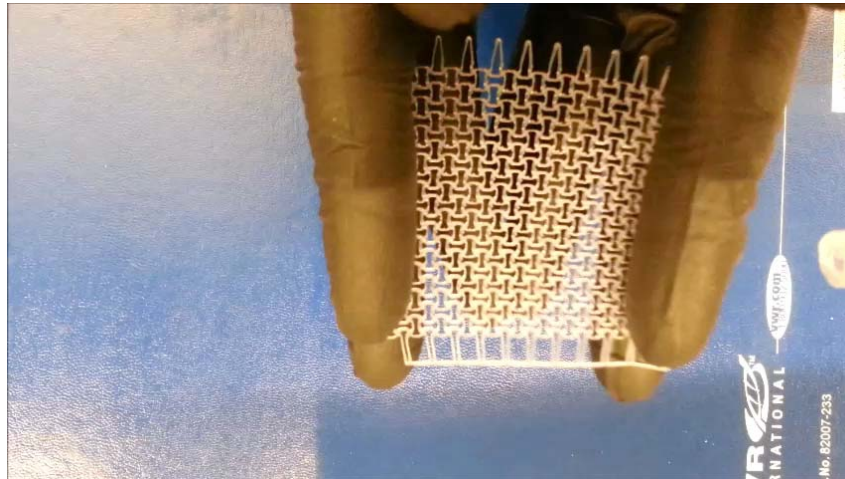


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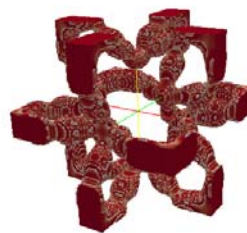
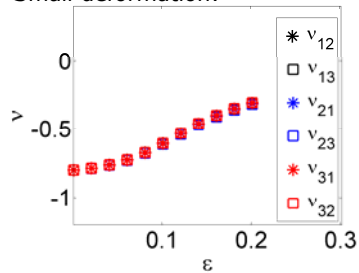
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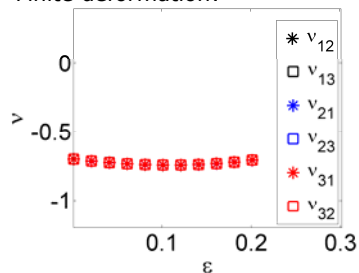
3D Poisson's ratio -0.8



Small deformation:



Finite deformation:

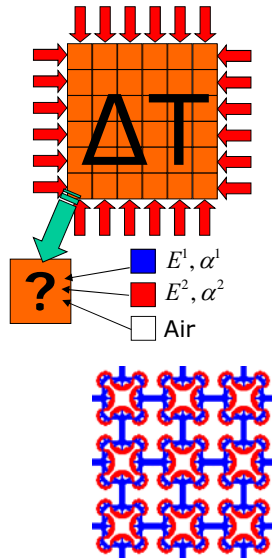


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Negative thermal expansion coefficient

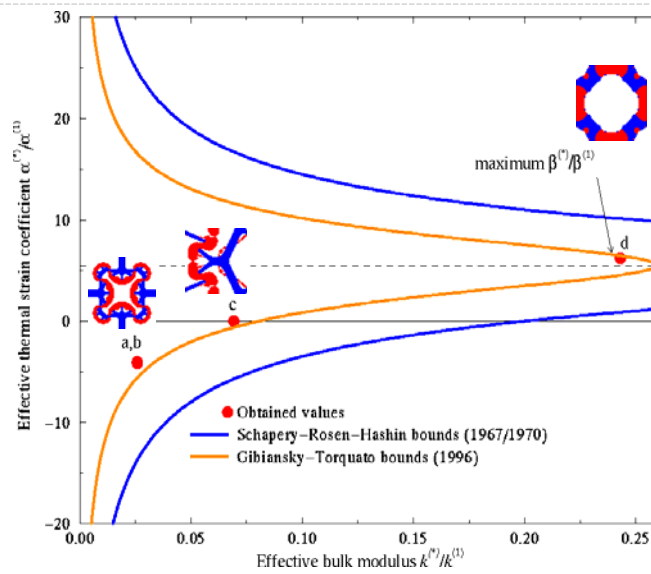


$$\alpha^* = -4.02$$

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Comparisons with bounds for thermal expansion

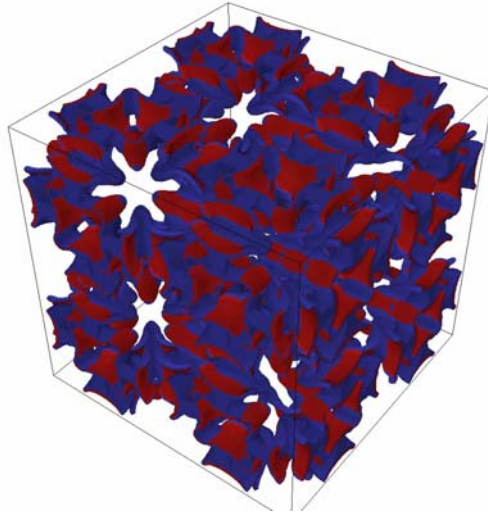


Sigmund and Torquato, 1996/1997

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3d negative thermal expansion



$$\alpha_{red} = 3.5$$

$$\alpha_{blue} = 1$$

$$E_{red} = 1$$

$$E_{blue} = 3.5$$

$$\nu^H = 0.18$$

$$E^H = 0.0016$$

$$\alpha^H = -5.4$$

Produced by Erik Andreassen

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Part 3: Controllable Topology Optimization – Geometric Features

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Complexity is free



TU Delft & MX3D, 2015



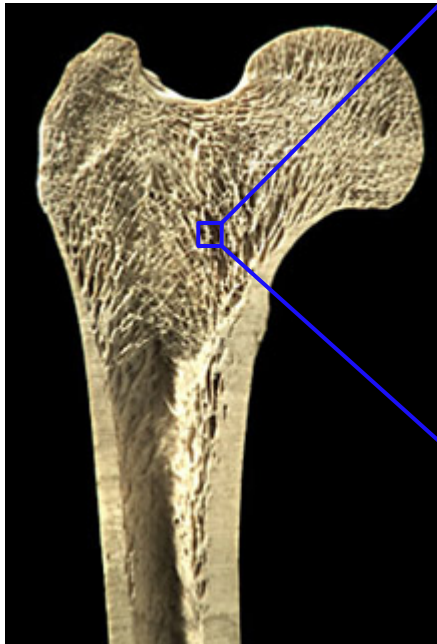
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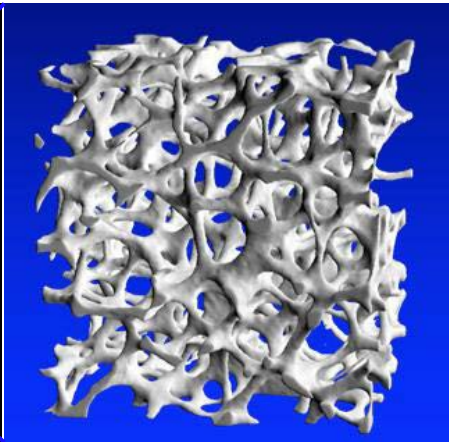
Scott Summit

Complexity is free? ... Not really!

Tiny details



Paul Crompton



Ralph Müller

Supports



Concept Laser GmH

Infill



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Geometric feature control by density filters (An incomplete list)

Reference



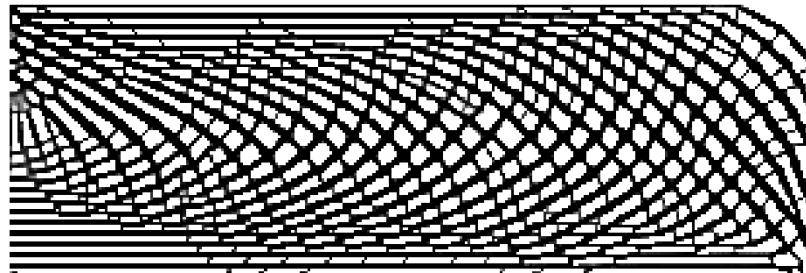
Minimum feature size, Guest'04



Coating structure, Clausen'15

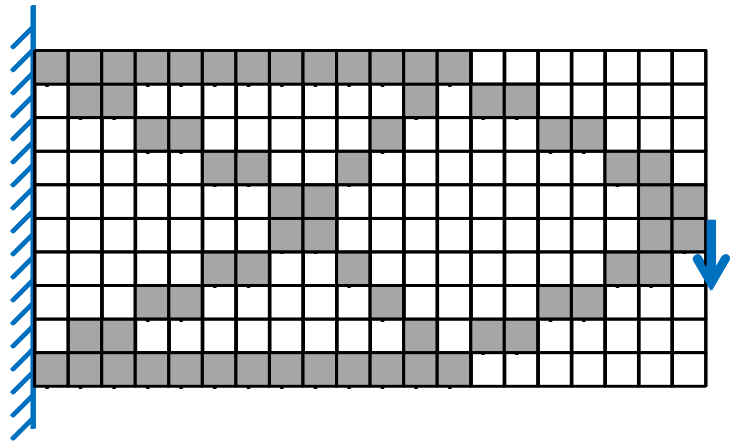


Self-supporting design, Langelaar'16



Porous infill, Wu'16

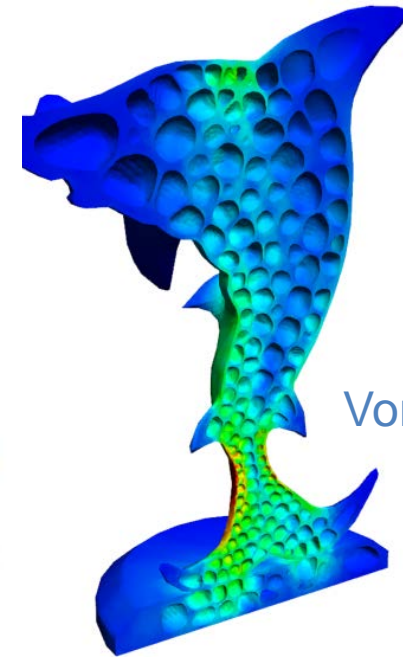
Geometric feature control by alternative parameterizations (An incomplete list)



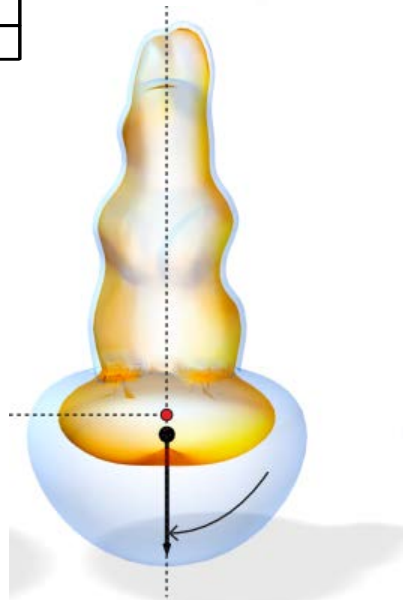
Reference: Voxel discretization



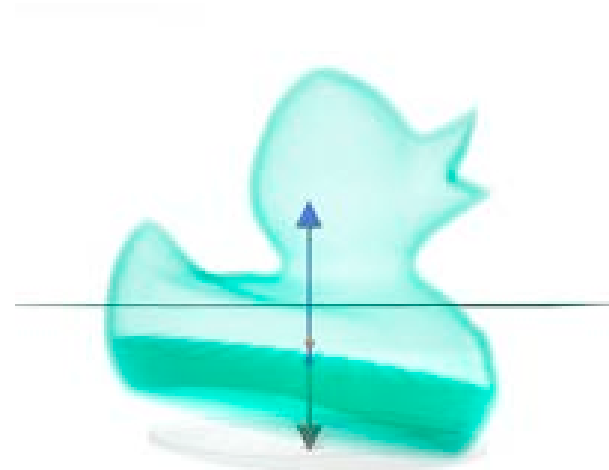
Skin-frame, Wang'13



Voronoi cells, Lu'14



Offset surfaces, Musialski'15



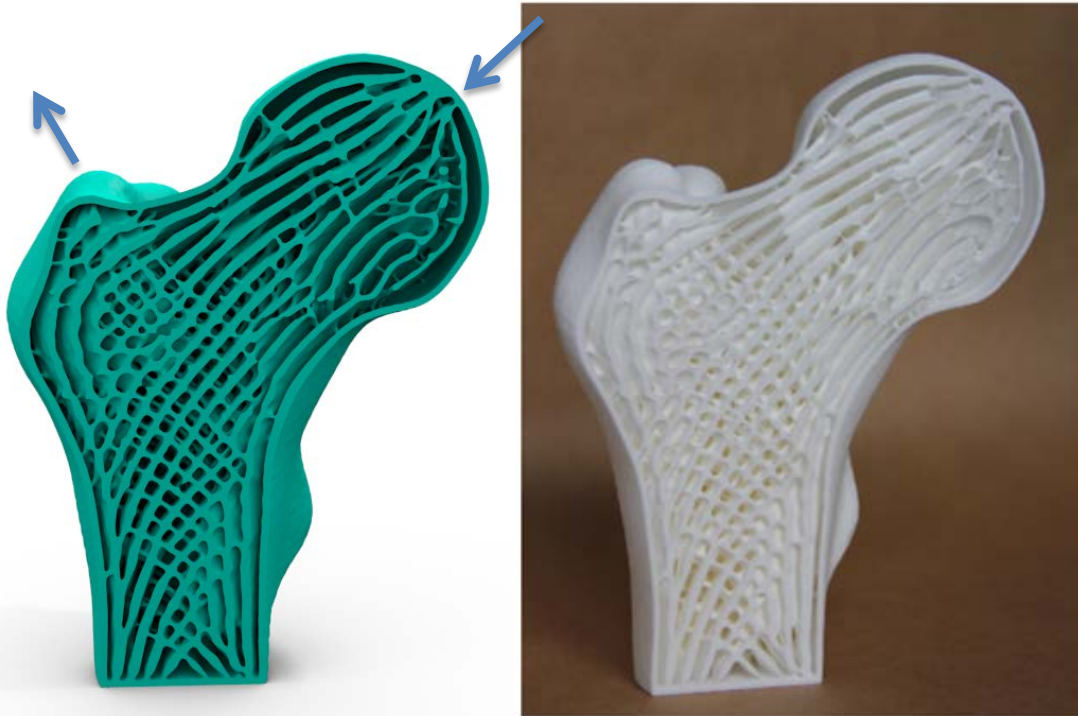
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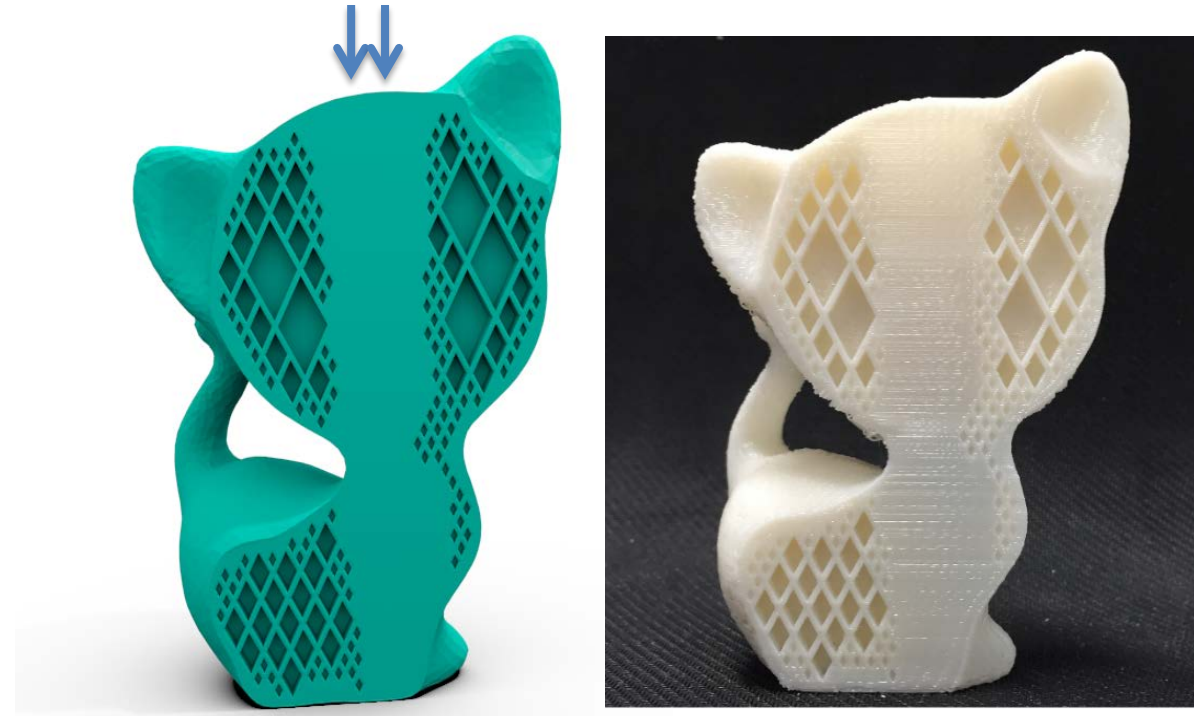
Adaptive rhombic, Wu'16

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Bone-inspired infill



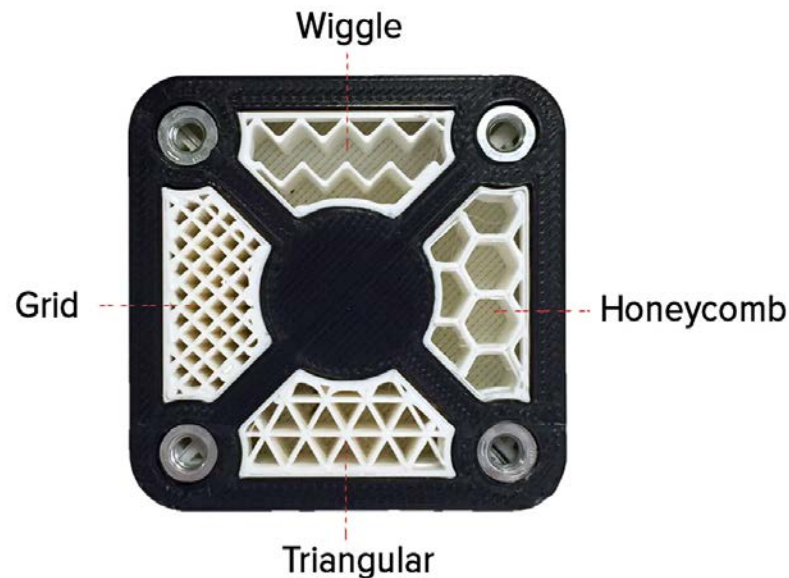
Self-supporting infill

Infill in 3D Printing

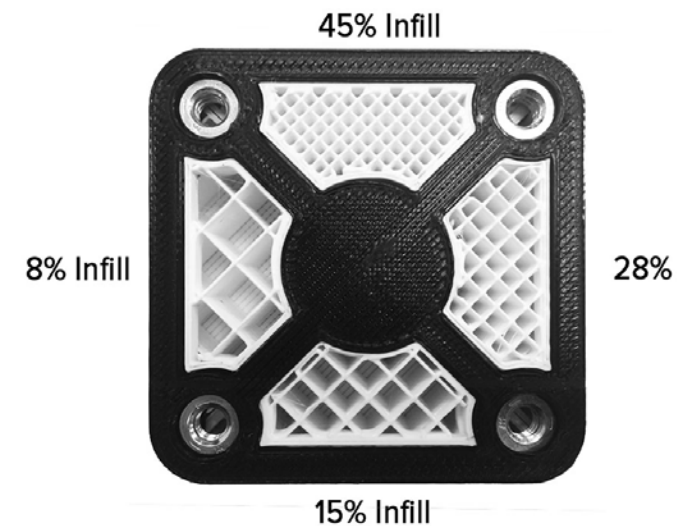
- A user-selected **regular** pattern, with a volume percentage
- A rough balance between
 - Physical properties (mass, strength), and
 - Cost (material usage, print time)



Infill



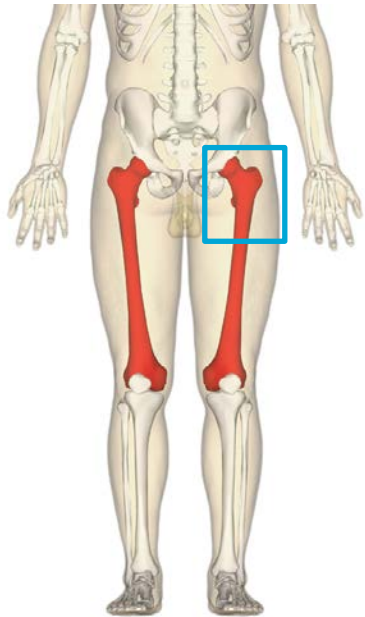
Different infill patterns



Different infill percentages

Infill in Nature

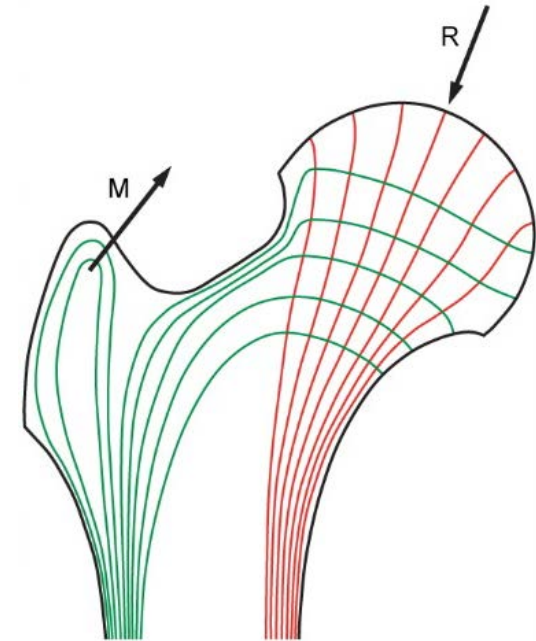
- Trabecular bone
 - Porous structures, oriented with the principle stress direction
 - Resulted from a natural optimization process
 - Light-weight-high-resistant



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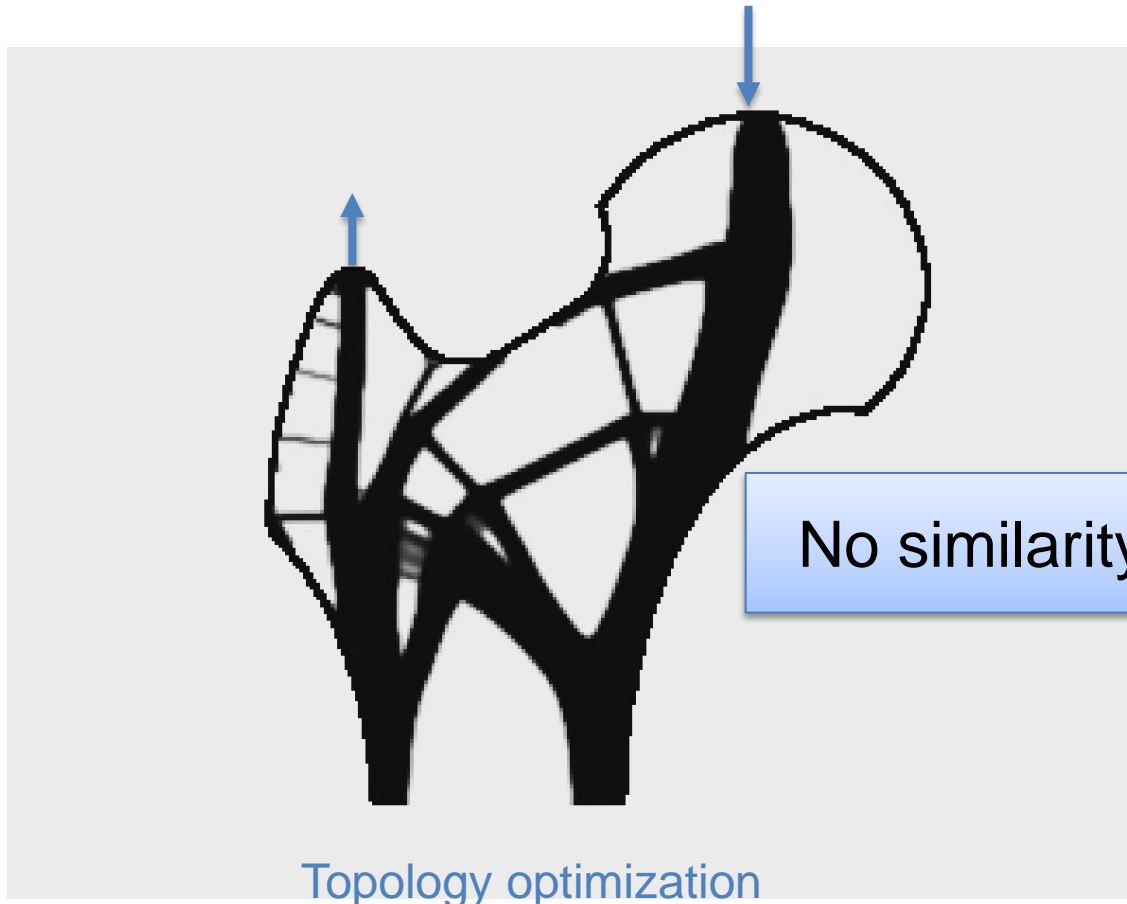
Cross-section of a human femur



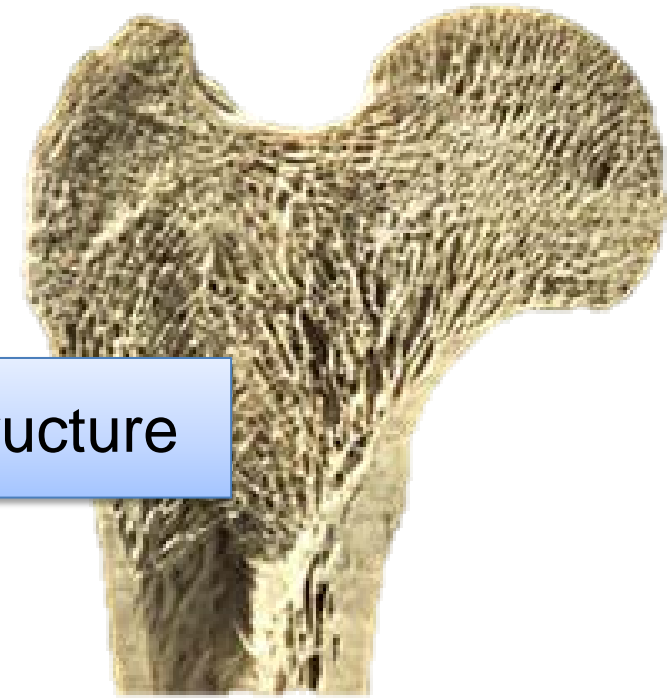
Principle stress directions

Optimize bone-like structures as infill for AM?

Topology Optimization Applied to Design Infill



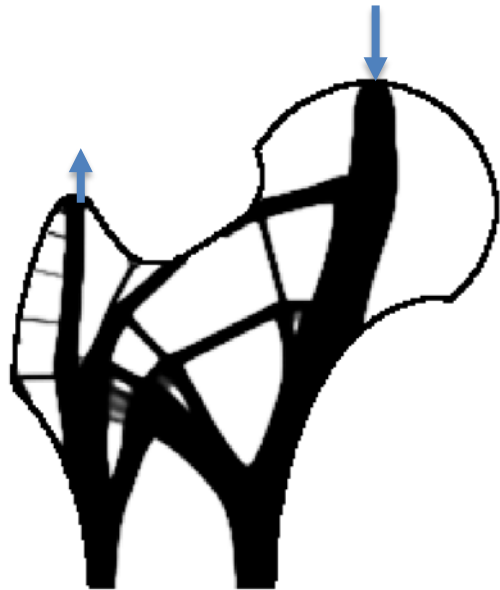
No similarity in structure



Infill in the bone

Topology Optimization Applied to Design Infill

- Materials accumulate to “important” regions
- The **total** volume $\sum_i \rho_i v_i \leq V_0$ does not restrict local material distribution



Infill by standard
topology optimization

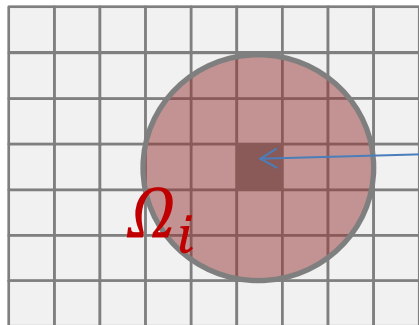


Infill in the bone

Approaching Bone-like Structures: The Idea

- Impose **local constraints** to avoid fully solid regions

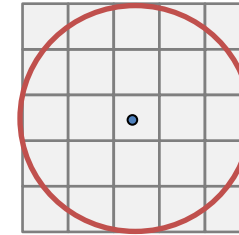
Min: $c = \frac{1}{2} U^T K U$
 s.t. : $KU = F$
 $\rho_i \in [0,1], \forall i$
 ~~$\sum_i \rho_i \leq V_0$~~
 $\hat{\rho}_i \leq \alpha, \forall i$



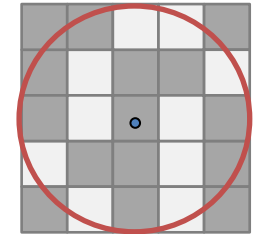
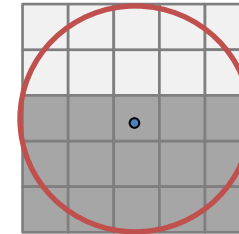
$$\hat{\rho}_i = \frac{\sum_{j \in \Omega_i} \rho_j}{\sum_{j \in \Omega_i} 1}$$

Local-volume measure

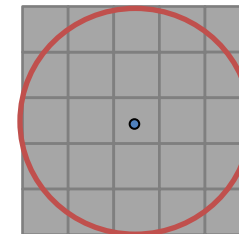
$$\hat{\rho}_i = 0.0$$



$$\hat{\rho}_i = 0.6$$



$$\hat{\rho}_i = 1.0$$



Constraints Aggregation (Reduce the Number of Constraints)

$$\hat{\rho}_i \leq \alpha, \forall i$$



$$\max_{i=1, \dots, n} |\hat{\rho}_i| \leq \alpha$$



$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|\rho\|_p = (\sum_i (\hat{\rho}_i)^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \alpha$$

Too many constraints!

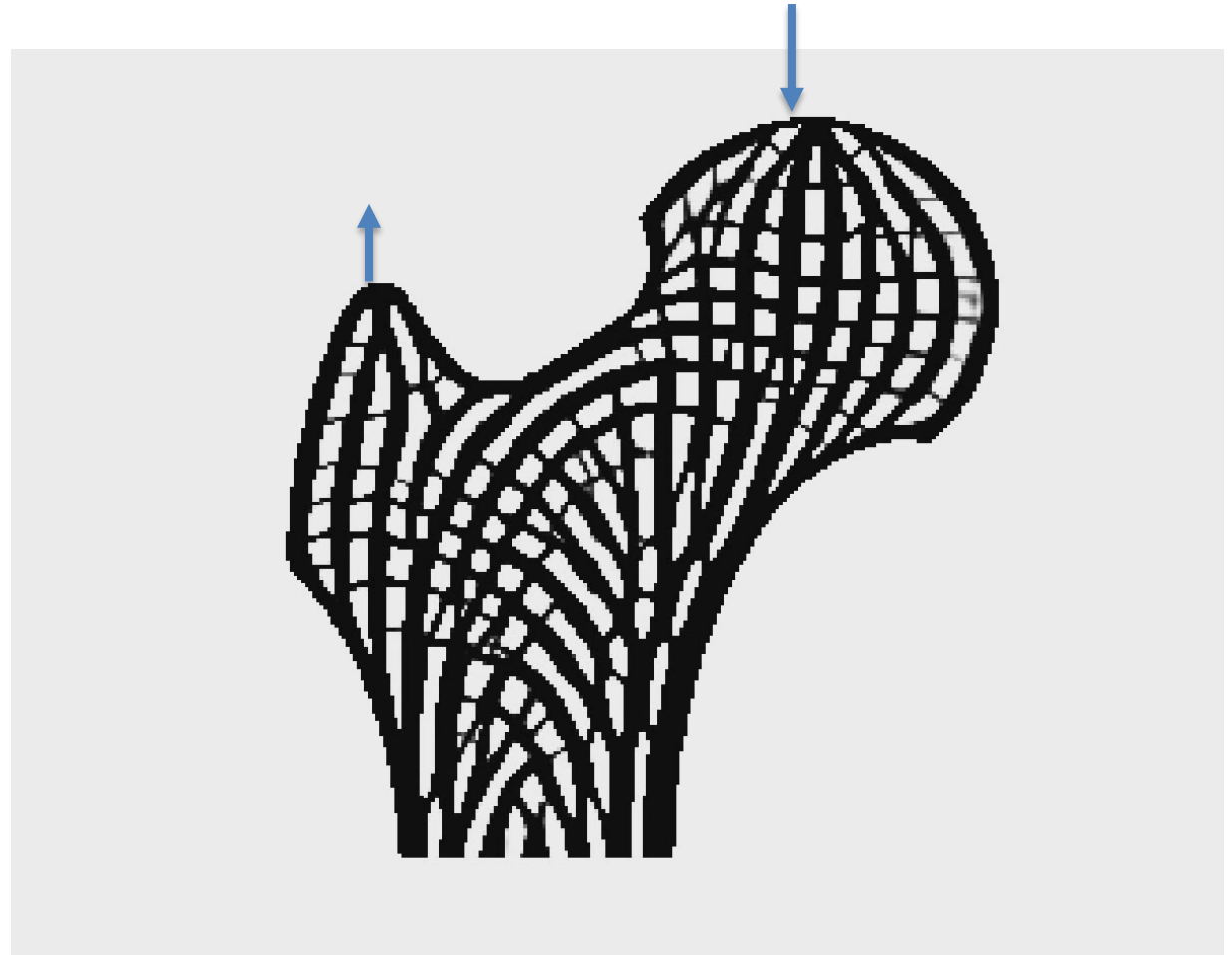
A single constraint
But non-differentiable

A single constraint
and differentiable
Approximated with $p = 16$

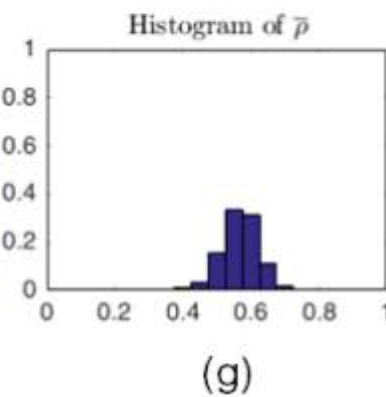
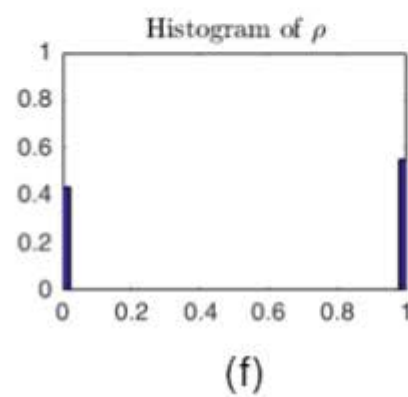
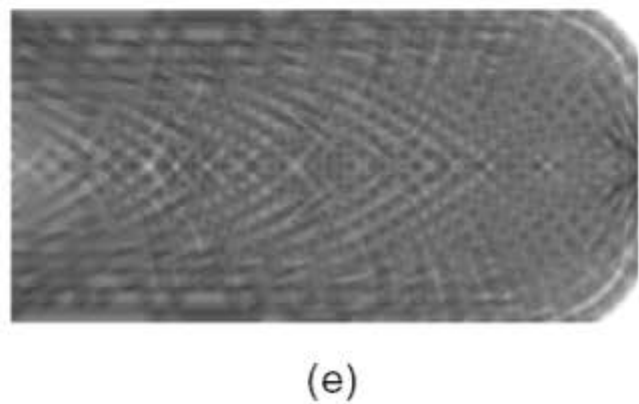
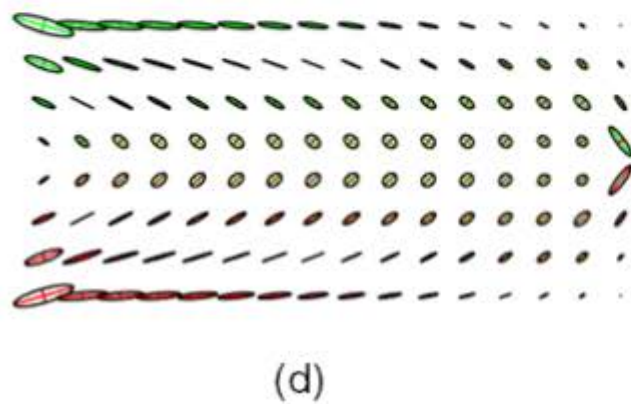
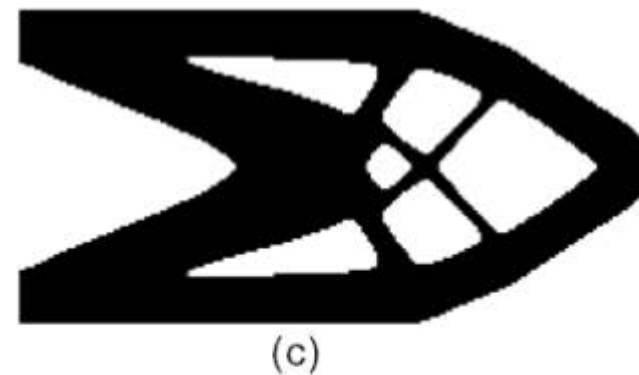
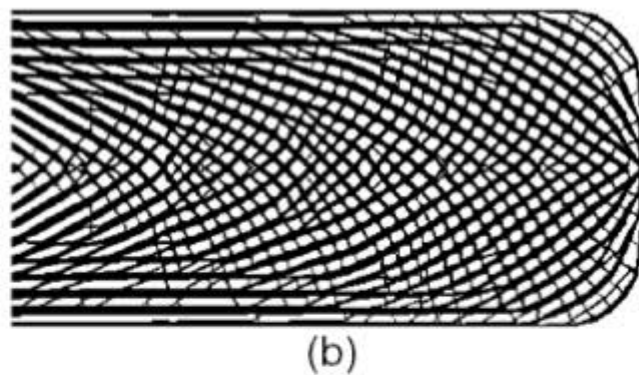
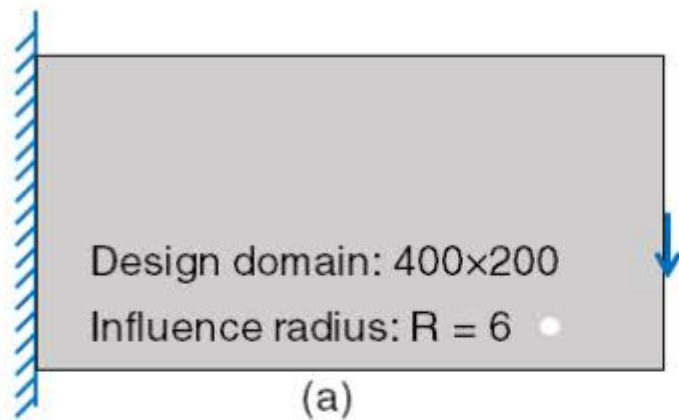
Bone-like Infill in 2D



Cross-section of a human femur

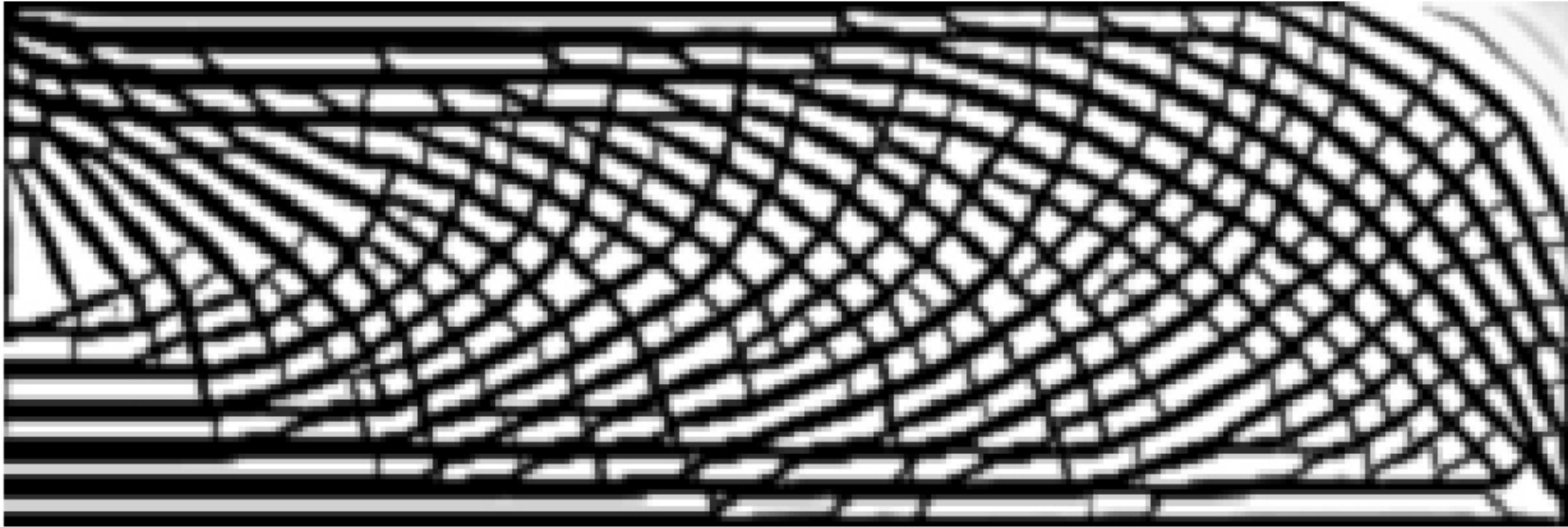


A Test Example



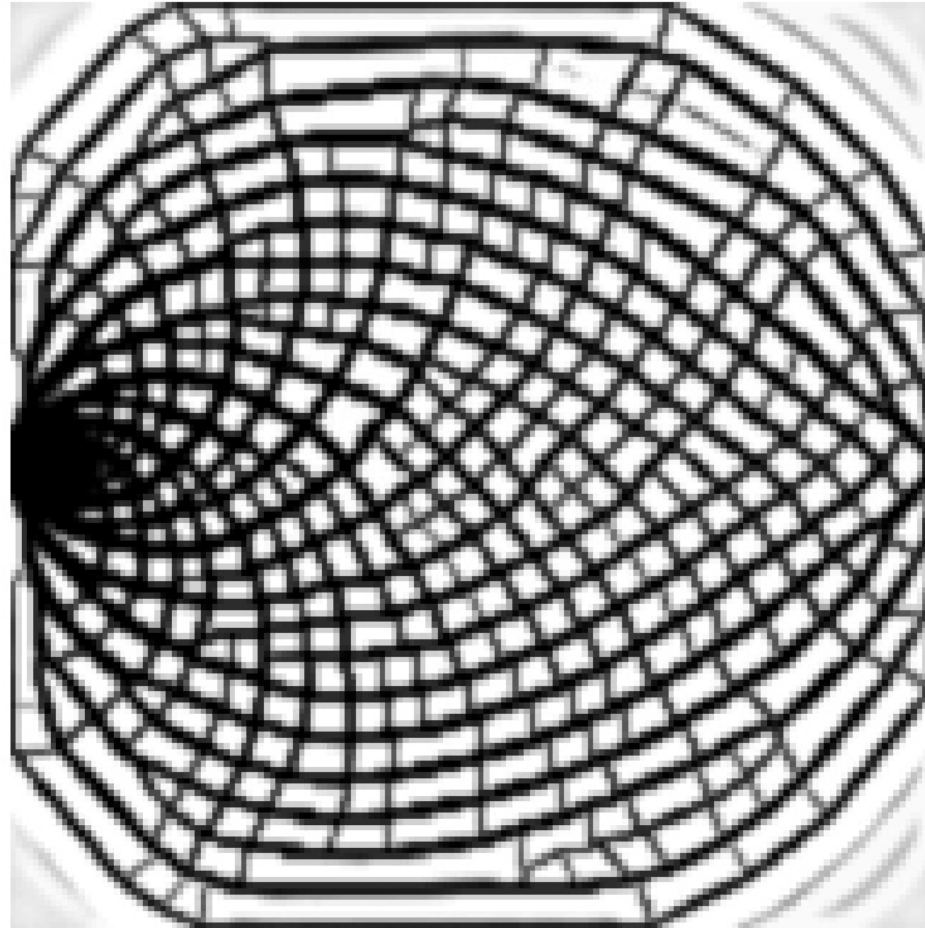
Result: 2D Animation

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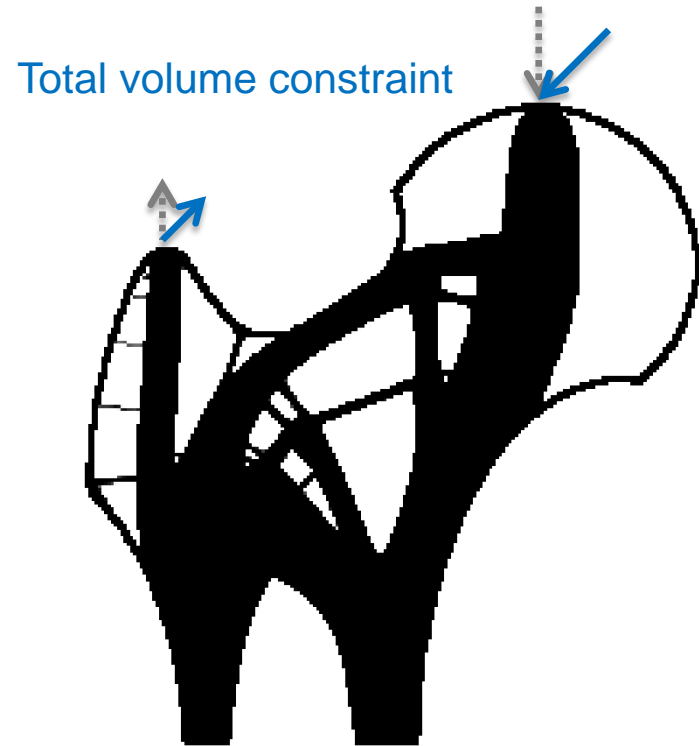
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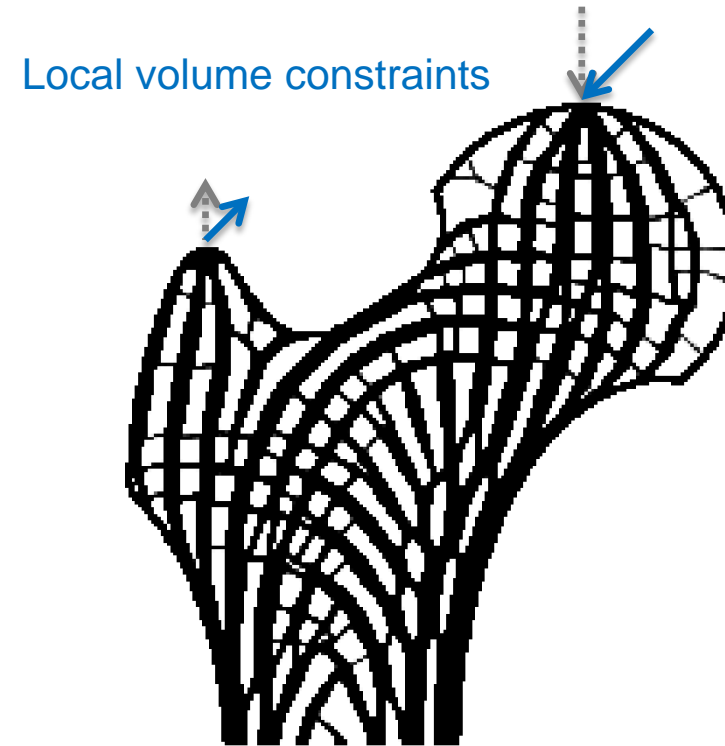


Robustness wrt. Force Variations

- Bone-like structures are significantly stiffer (126%) in case of force variations



$$c = 30.54$$
$$c' = 45.83$$

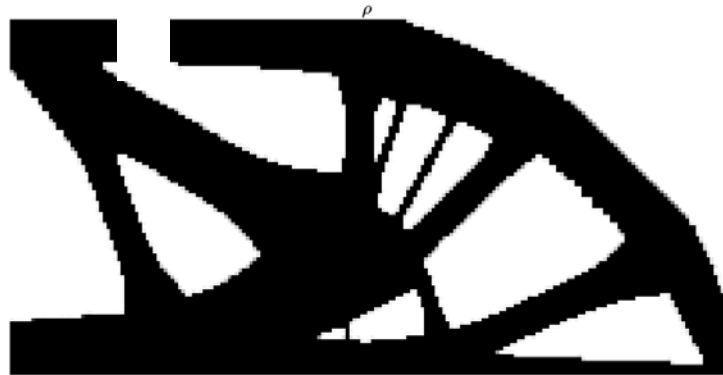


$$c = 36.72$$
$$c' = 36.23$$

Robustness wrt. Material Deficiency

- Bone-like structures are significantly stiffer (180%) in case of **material deficiency**

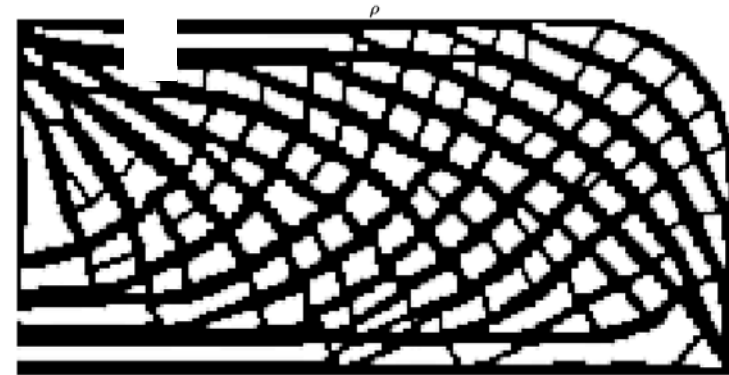
Total volume constraint



$$c = 76.83$$

$$c' = 242.77$$

Local volume constraints



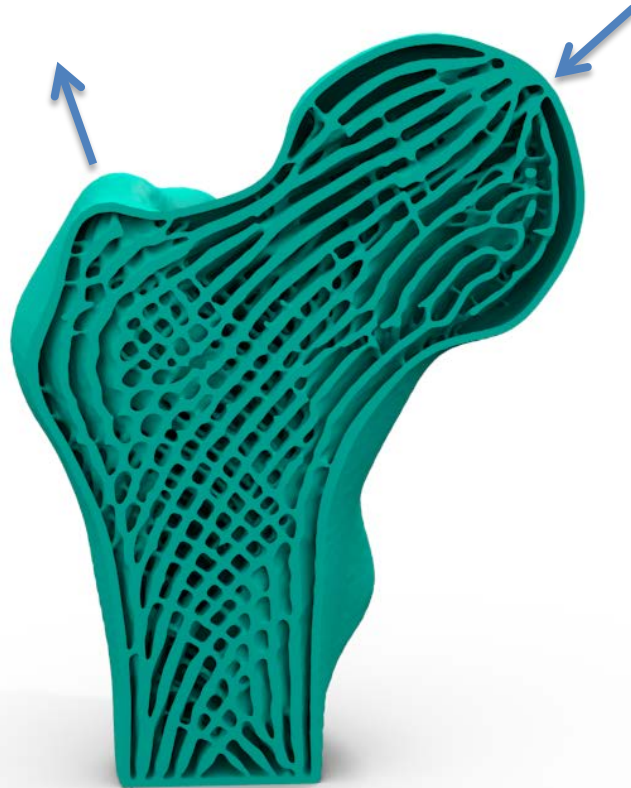
$$c = 93.48$$

$$c' = 134.84$$

Bone-like Infill in 3D



Infill in the bone

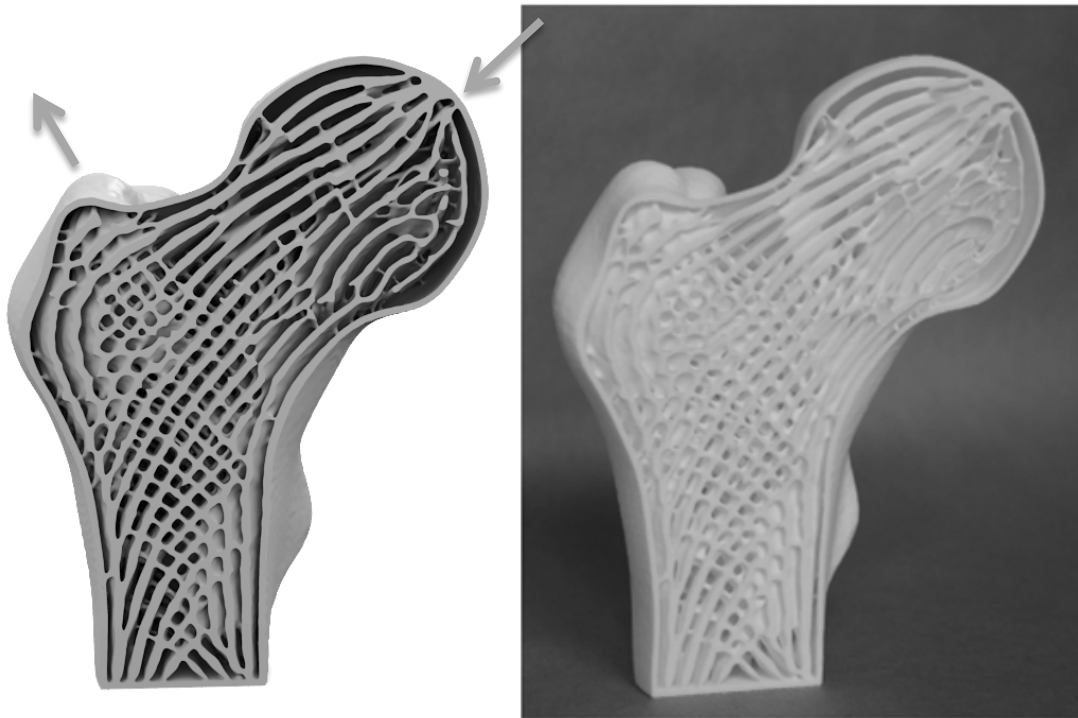


Optimized bone-like infill



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Bone-inspired infill

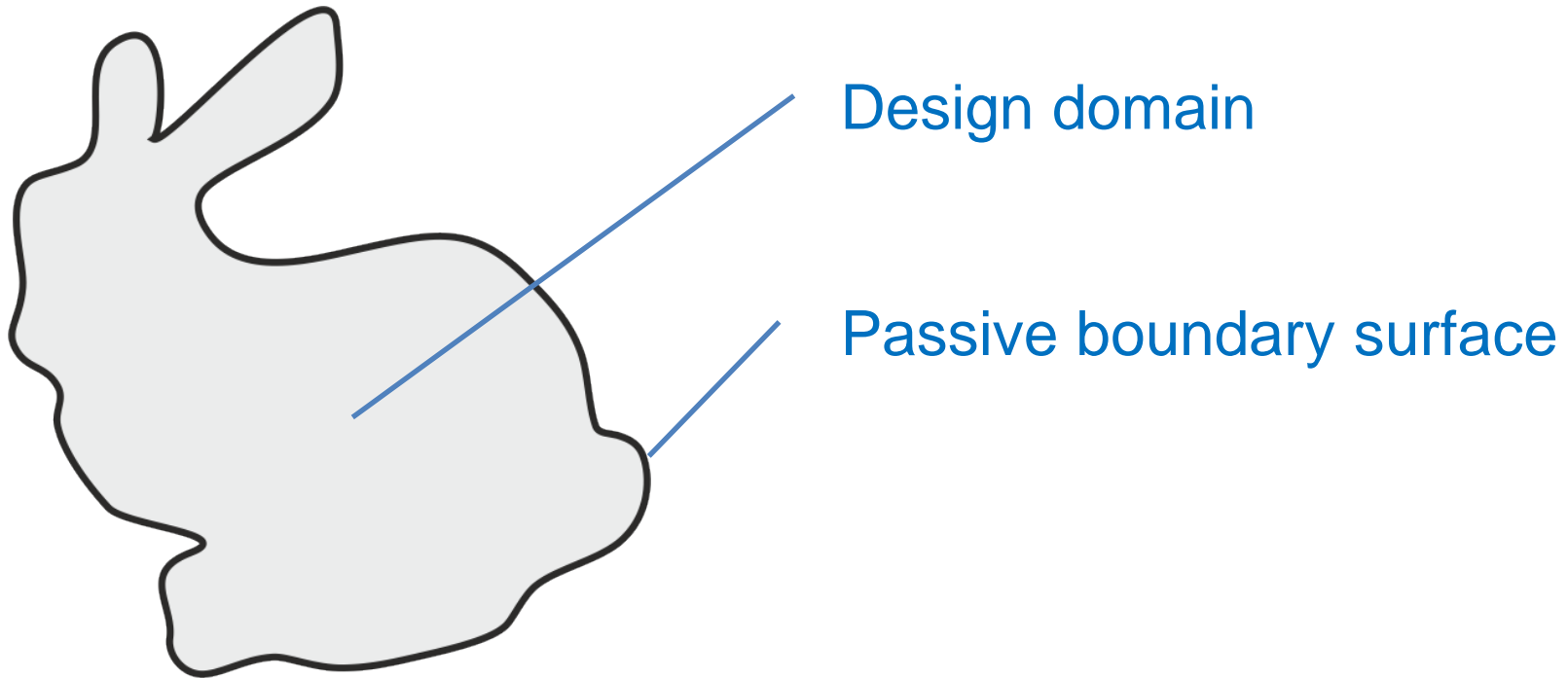


Self-supporting infill



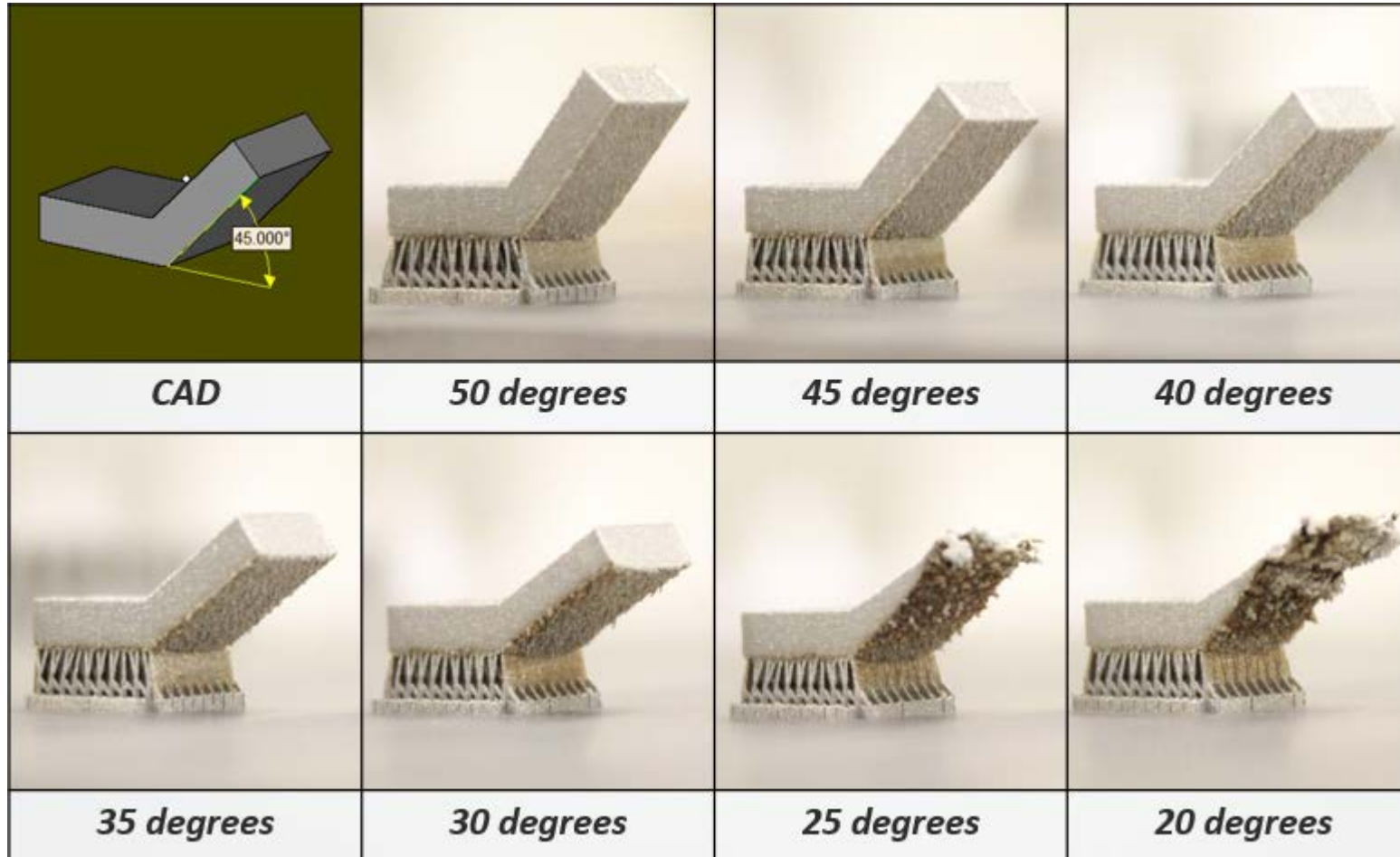
Infill Optimization

- To find the **optimal** material distribution in **the interior** of a given shape



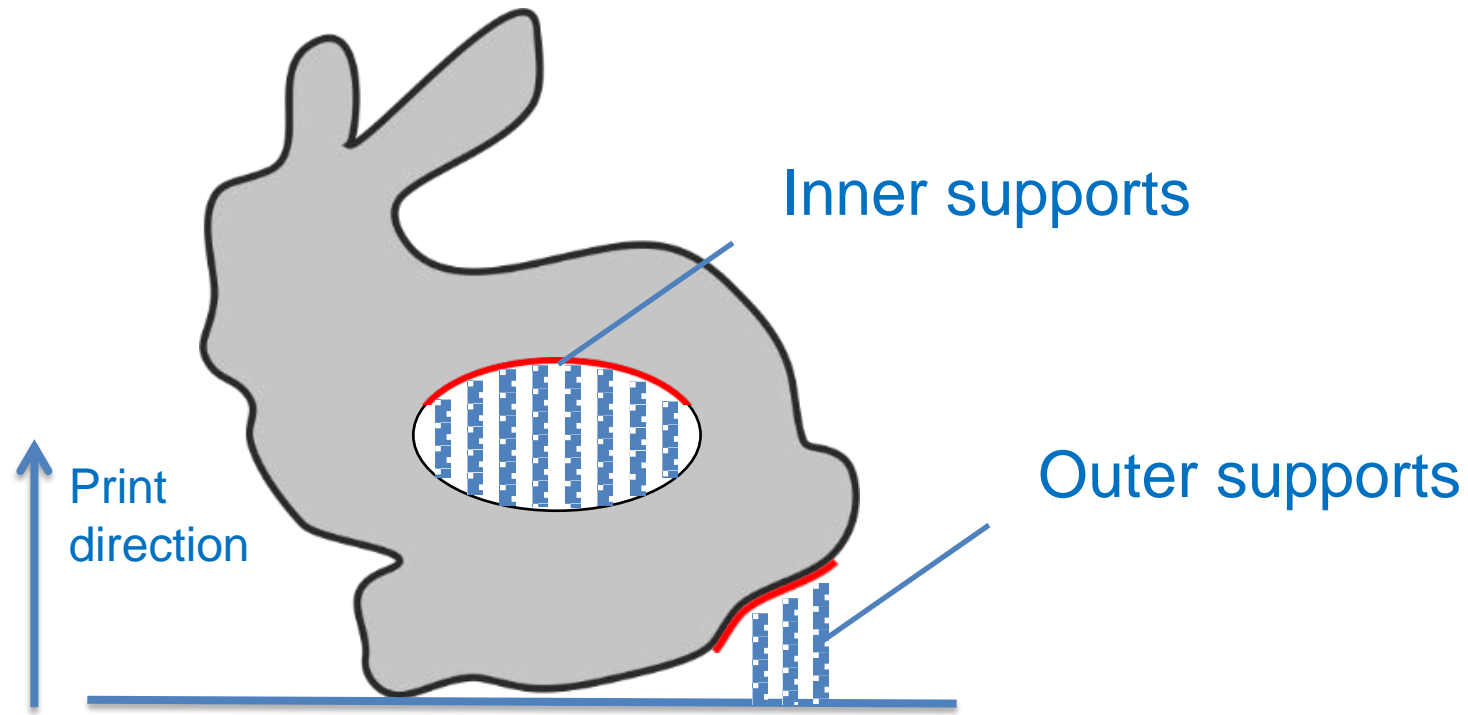
Overhang in Additive Manufacturing

- Support structures are needed beneath overhang surfaces

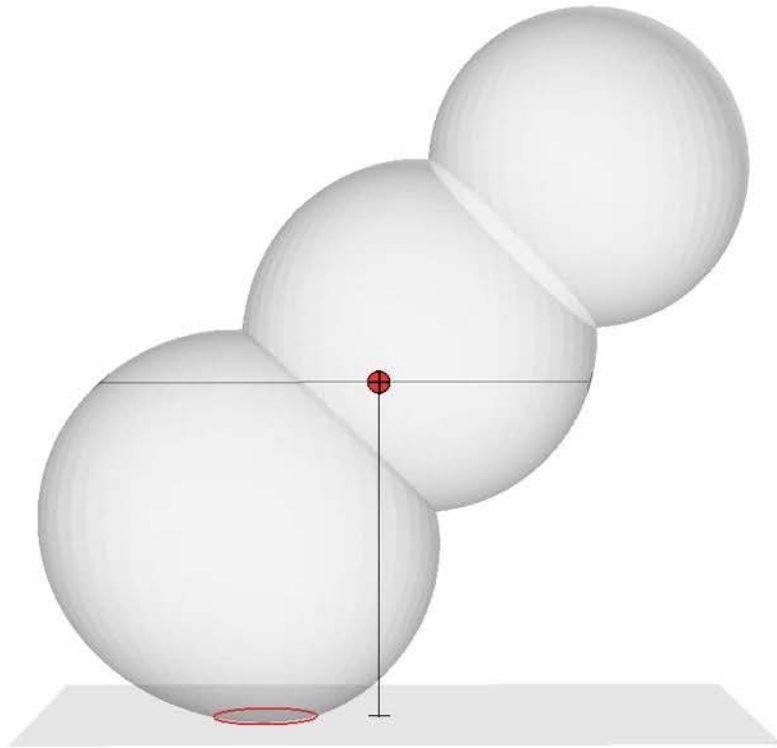


Support Structures in Cavities

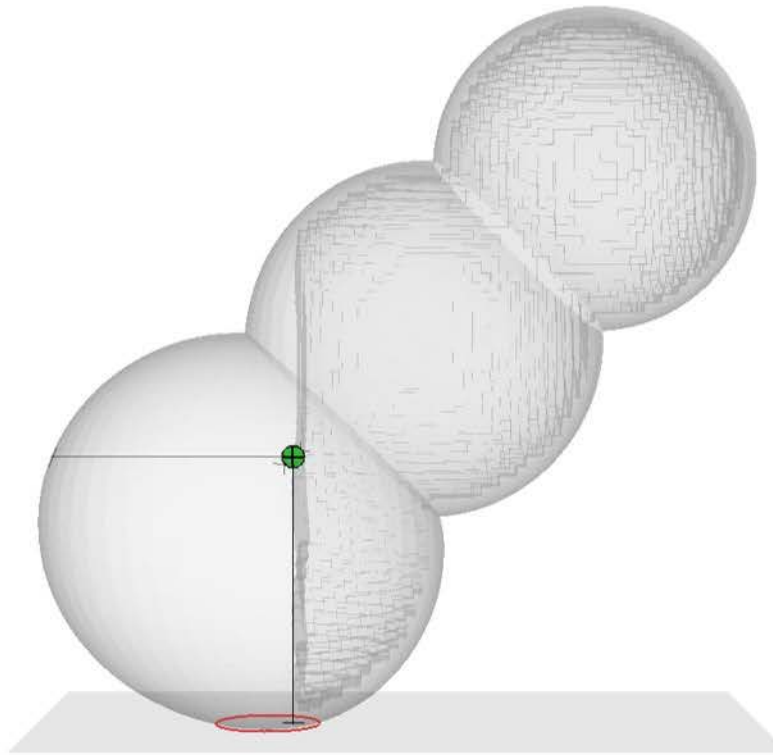
- Post-processing of **inner** supports is problematic



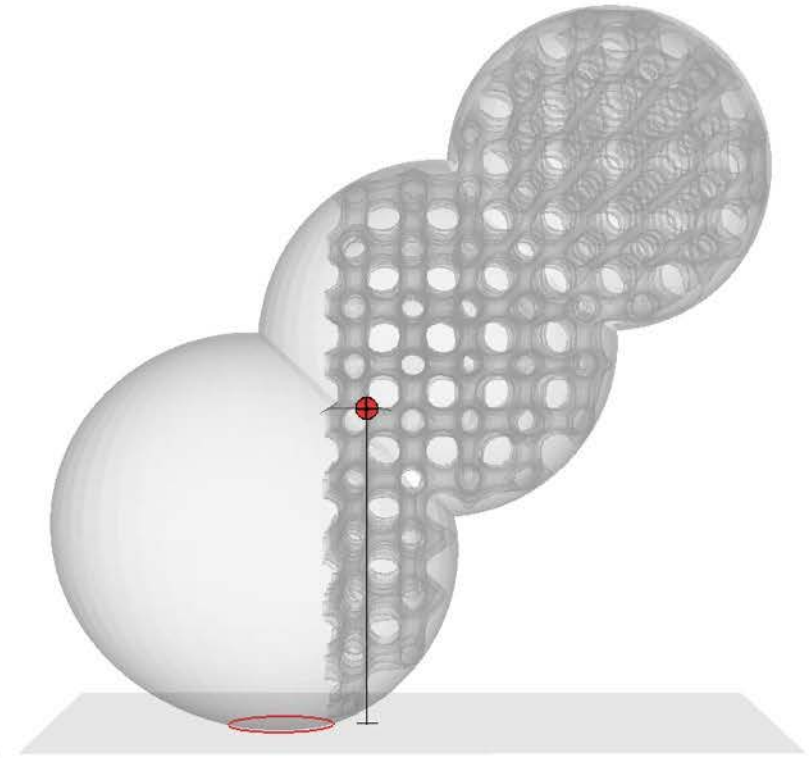
Infill & Optimization Shall Integrate



Solid,
Unbalanced



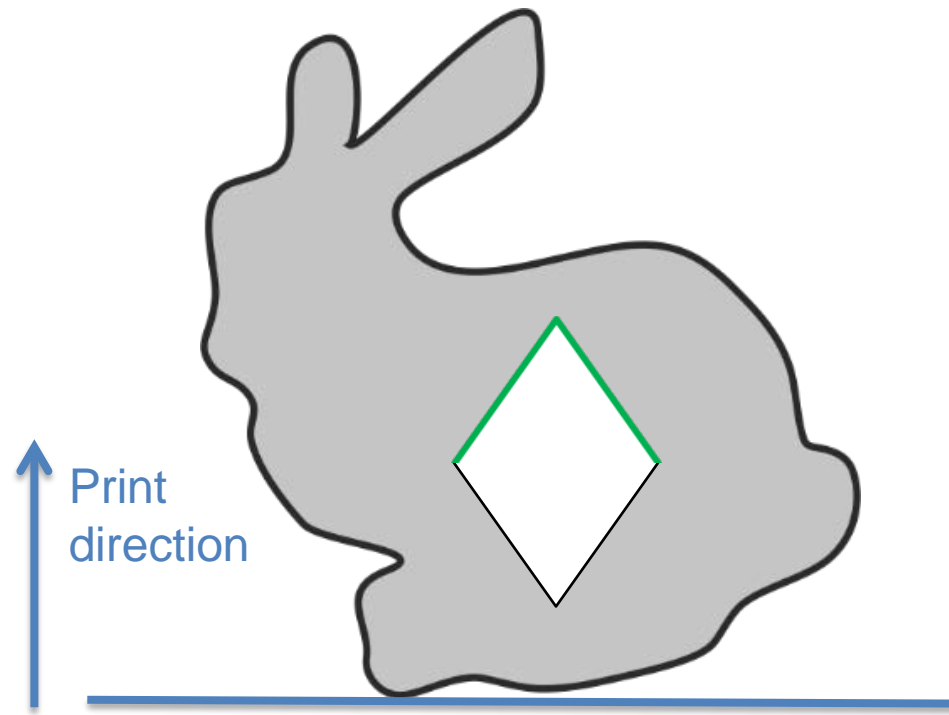
Optimized,
Balanced



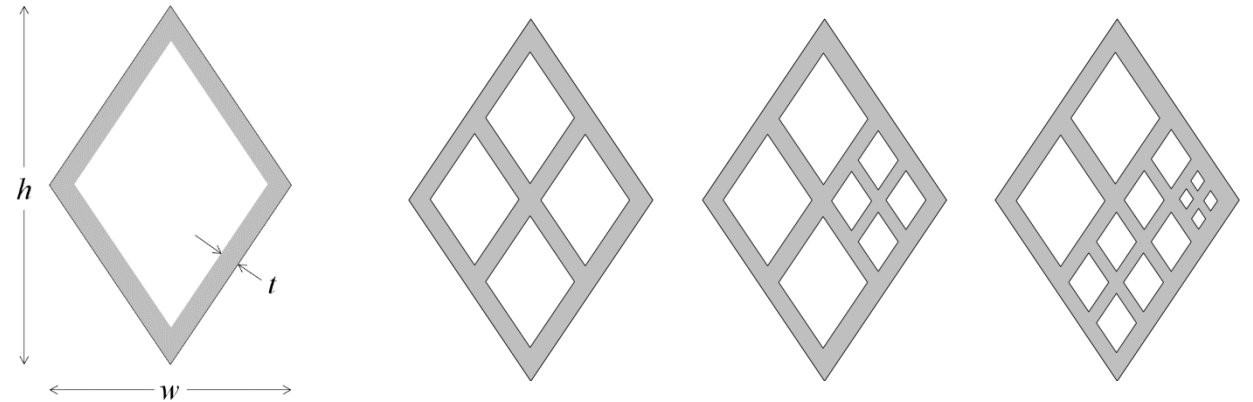
With infill,
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The Idea

- Rhombic cell: to ensure self-supporting
- Adaptive subdivision: as design variable in optimization

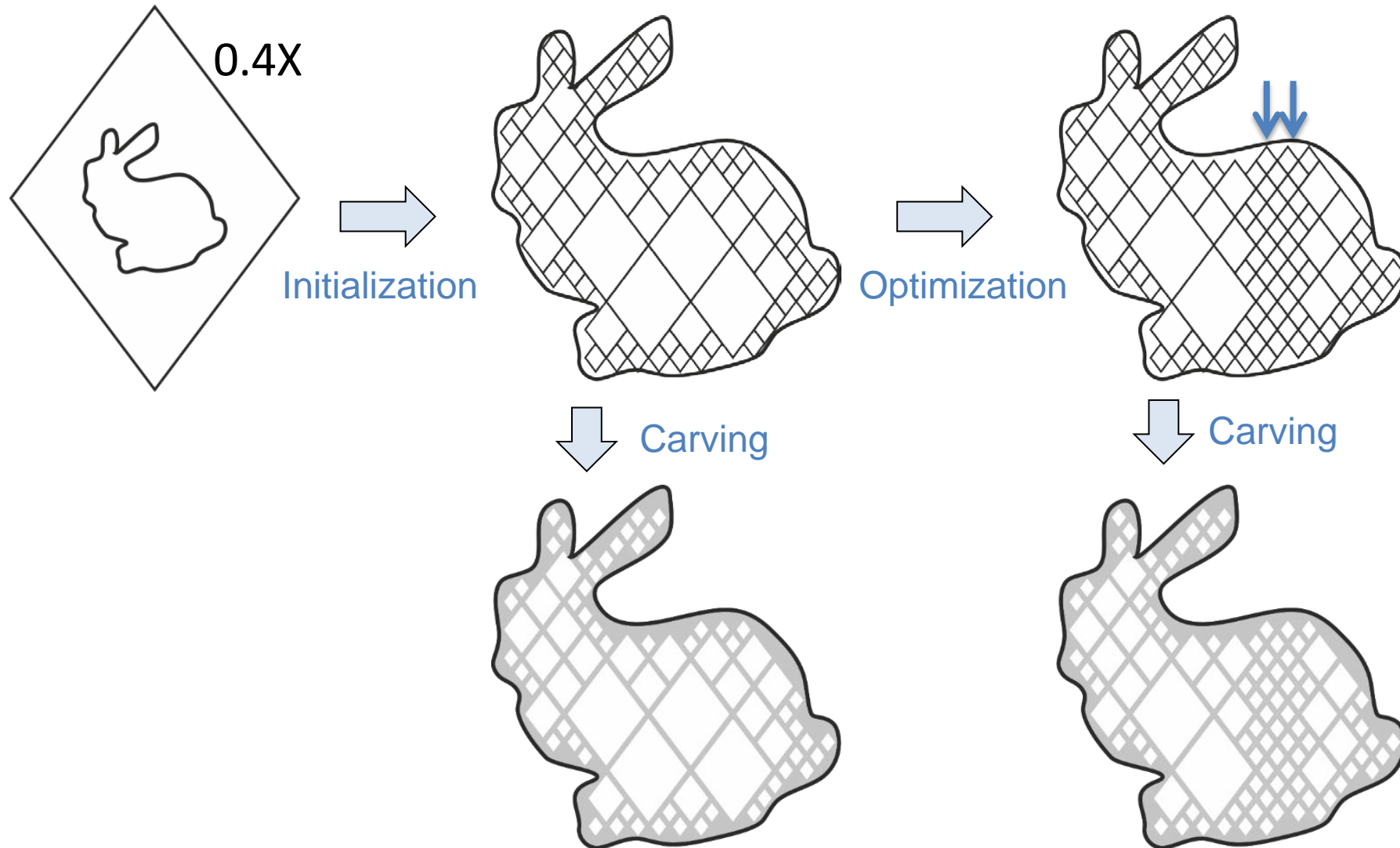


Rhombic cell



Adaptive subdivision

Self-Supporting Rhombic Infill: Workflow



Self-Supporting Rhombic Infill: Subdivision Criteria

- Min: $c = \frac{1}{2} U^T K U$ Subject to: $KU = F; V = \sum_i \rho_i \leq V_0$

Voxel-wise topology optimization

Per-voxel density as variable

$$\rho_i \in \{0.0, 1.0\}, \forall i$$

Per-voxel sensitivity: $G_i = -\frac{\partial c / \partial \rho_i}{\partial V / \partial \rho_i}$

Subdivision-based topology optimization

Per-subdivision as variable

$$\beta_c \in \{0, 1\}, \forall c$$

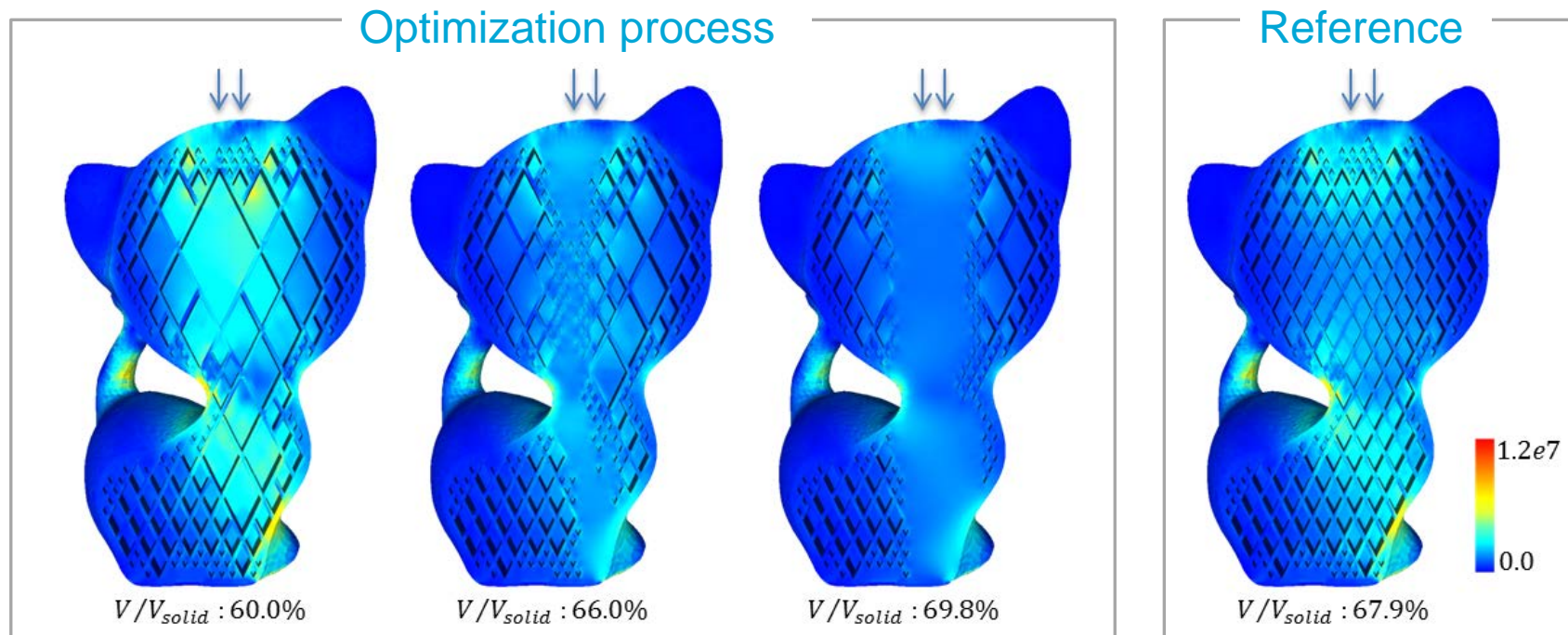
Per-voxel density assigned by subdivision

$$\rho_i(\beta) = \begin{cases} 1.0 & i \text{ covered by walls} \\ 0.0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Per-subdivision sensitivity: $G_c = -\frac{\partial c / \partial \beta_c}{\partial V / \partial \beta_c}$

Self-Supporting Rhombic Infill: Results

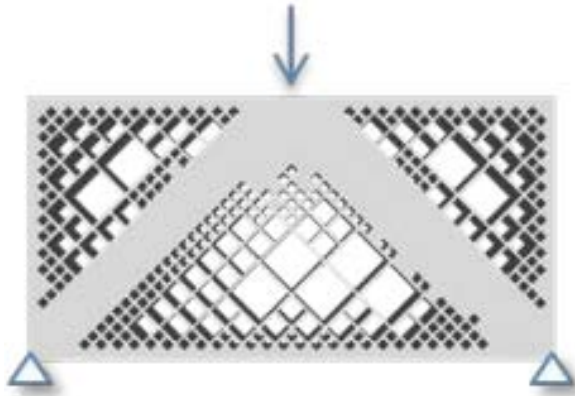
- Optimized mechanical properties, compared to regular infill
- No additional inner supports needed



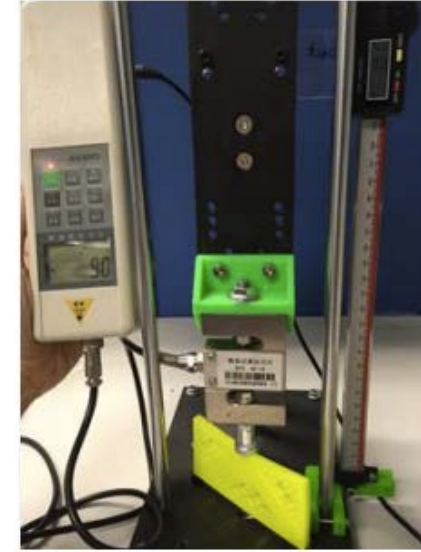
Mechanical Tests

Under same force (62 N)

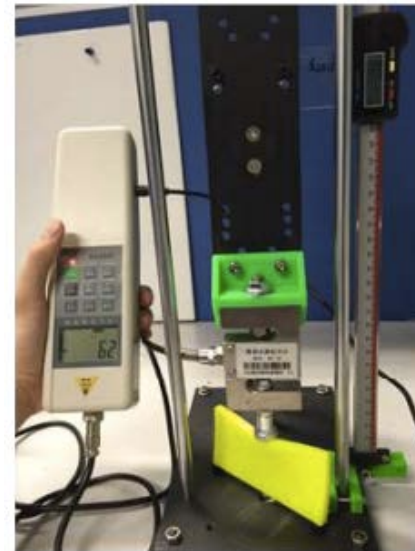
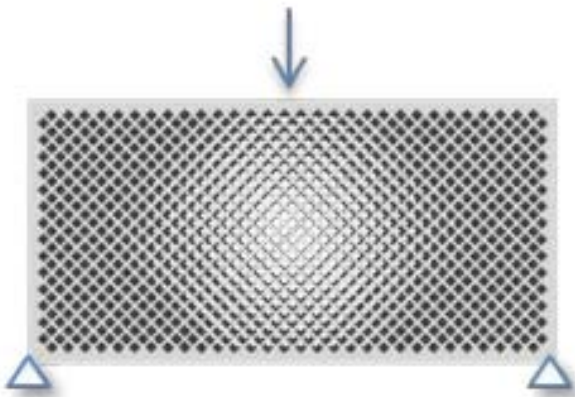
Under same displacement (3.0 mm)



Dis.
2.11 mm



Force
90 N



Dis.
4.08 mm



Force
58 N

Summary

- Geometric feature control by **density filters**
- Geometric feature control by **alternative parameterizations**



Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

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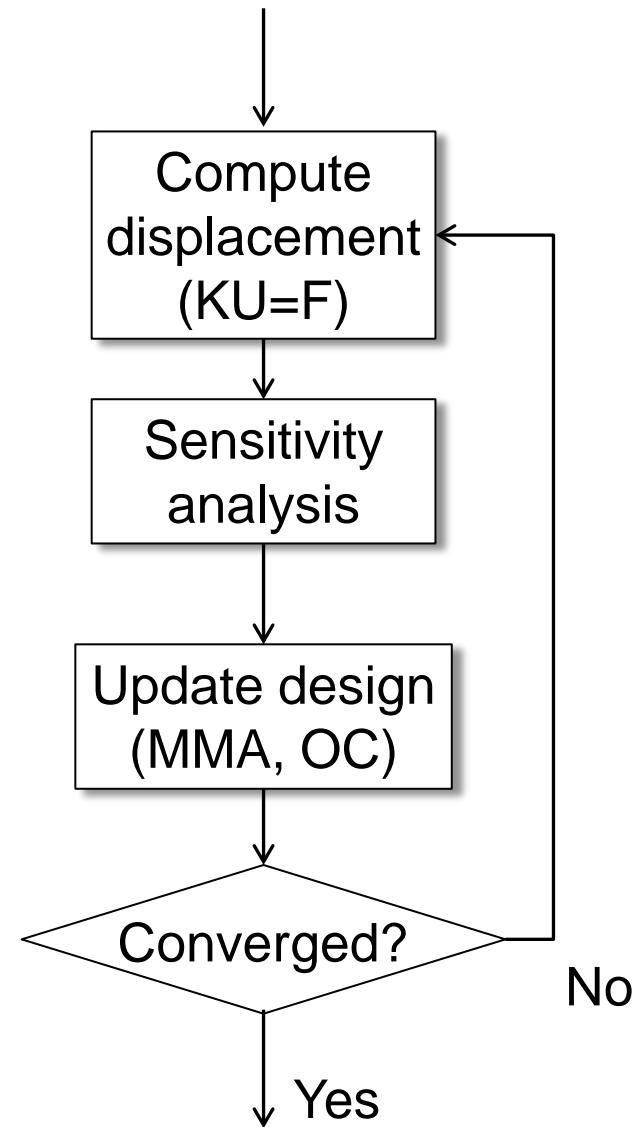
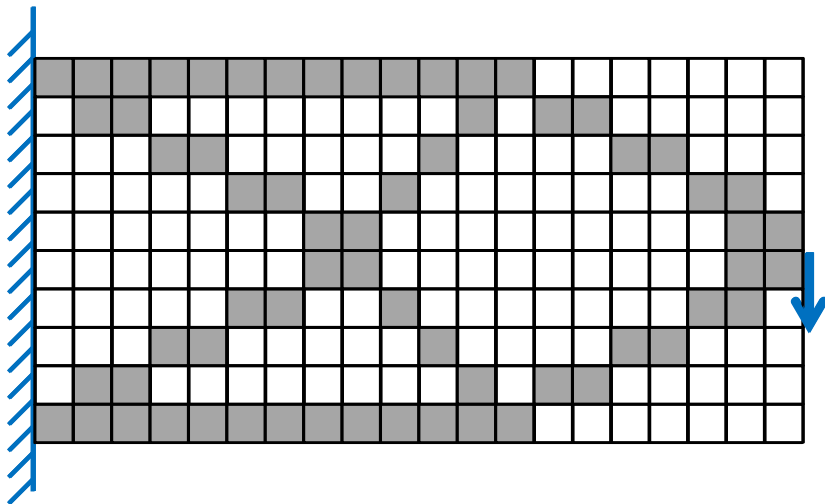
Topology Optimization

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Subject to: $KU = F$

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$$\sum_i \rho_i \leq V_0$$





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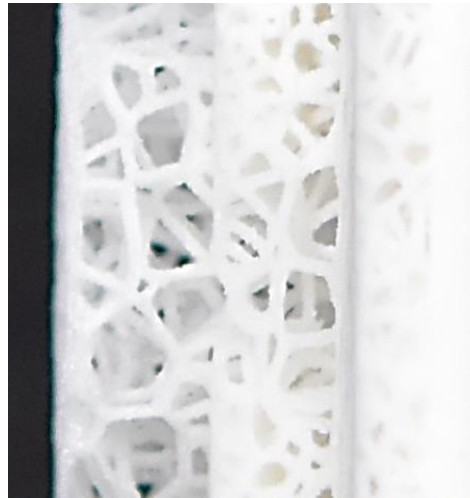
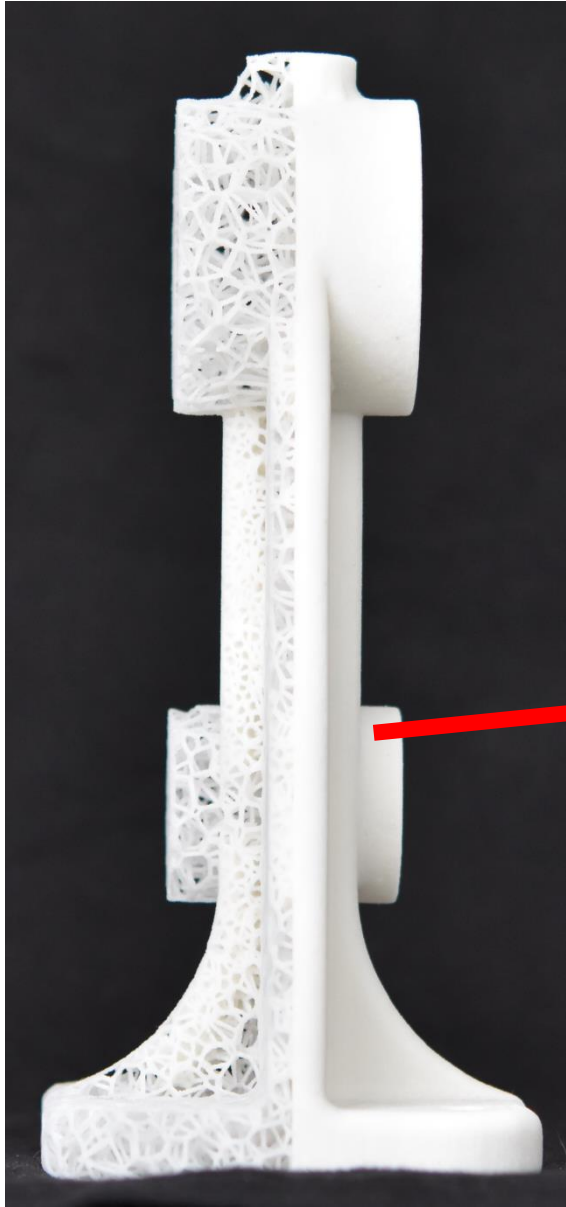
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Topology Optimization for Computational Fabrication

Part 4: Topology Optimization for Appearance and Structure Synthesis

Sylvain Lefebvre

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Textures in Computer Graphics



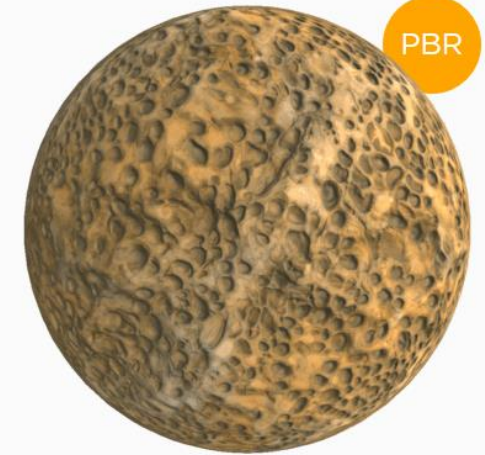
Rock Generic Granite



Rock Generic Obsidian



Rock Wall Smooth



Rock Wall Wind Eroded



Pavement Path



Rock Pavement 001



Rock Pavement 01



Stone Tiles 03

Authoring textures



Forza Horizon 3, Microsoft Studios

<https://www.forzamotorsport.net/en-us/games/fh3>

Authoring textures



Too much content to be done entirely manually



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- Three main directions

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- Procedural synthesis

- Simulation (e.g. erosion)



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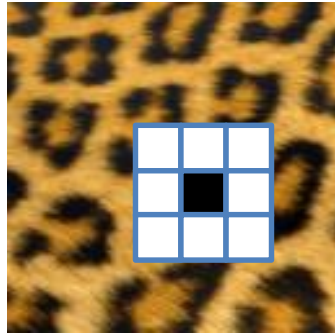
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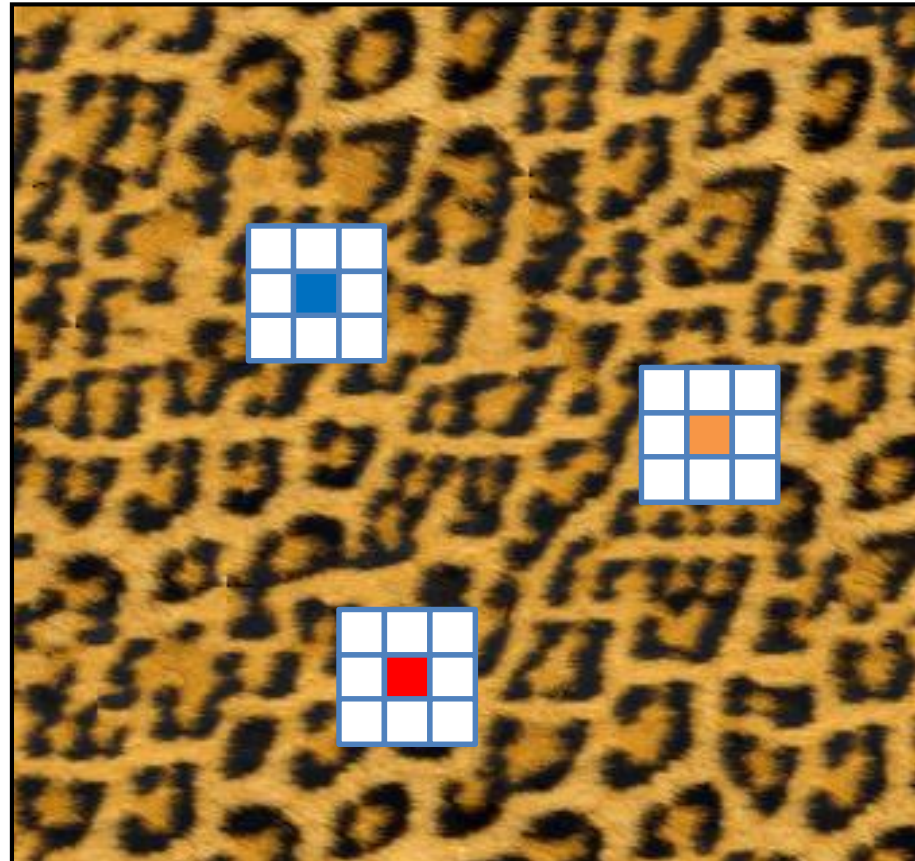
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Texture synthesis: color formulation

(color field)



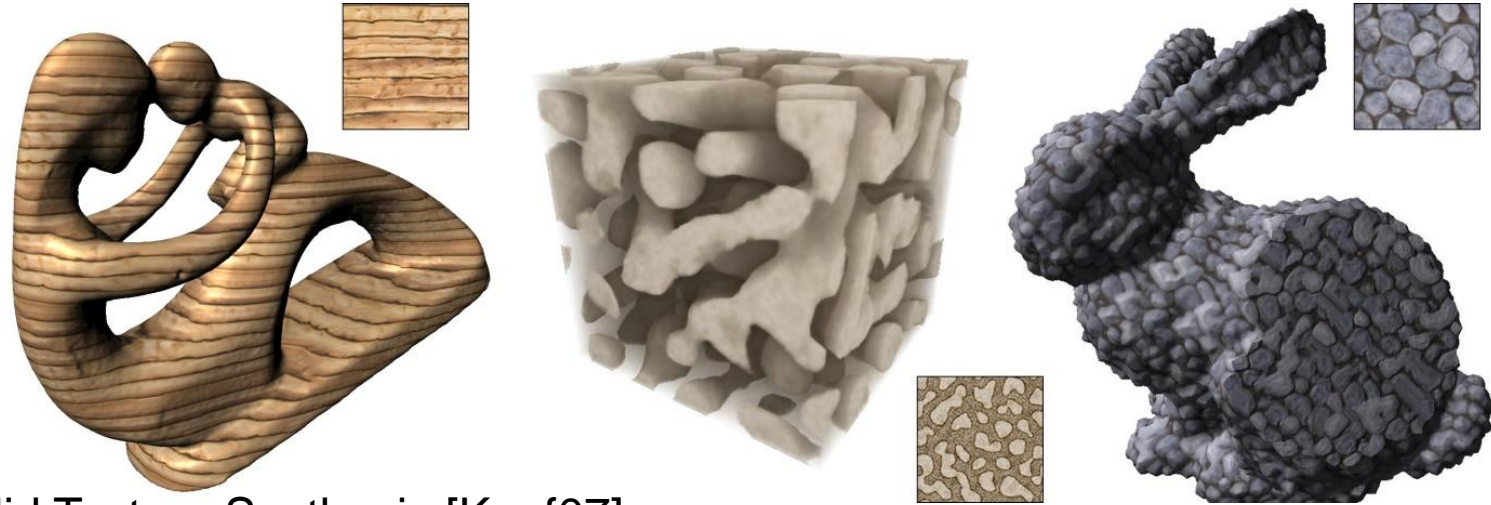
Exemplar



Assumption (MRF):

Same neighborhoods at all scales → Same visual content

Volume Texture Synthesis

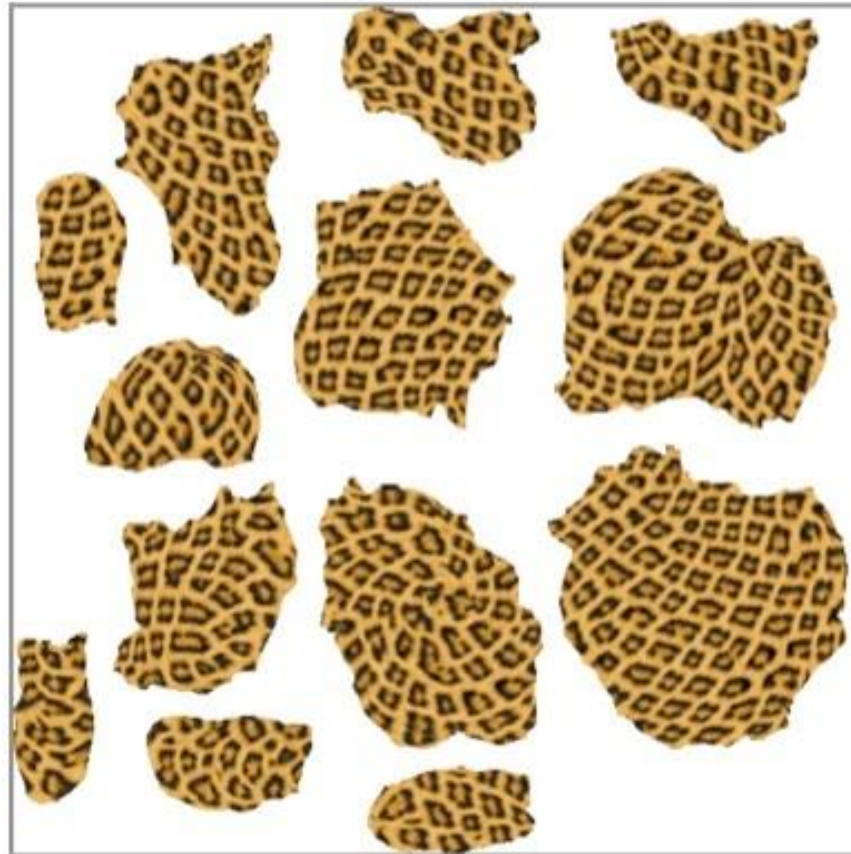
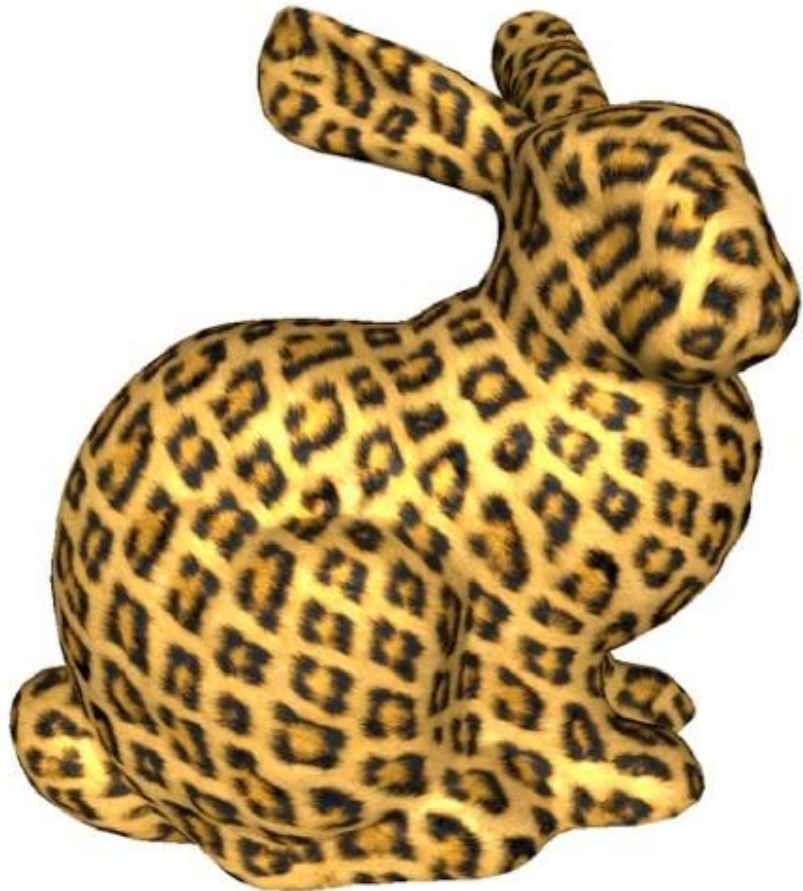


Solid Texture Synthesis [Kopf07]



Lazy Solid Texture Synthesis [Dong08]

On-surface texture synthesis

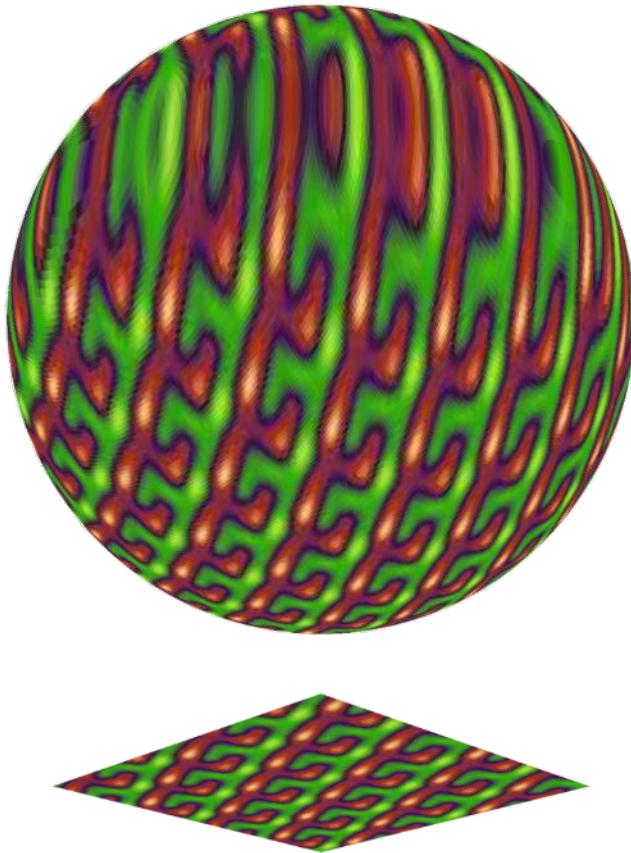


[Lefebvre and Hoppe 2006]

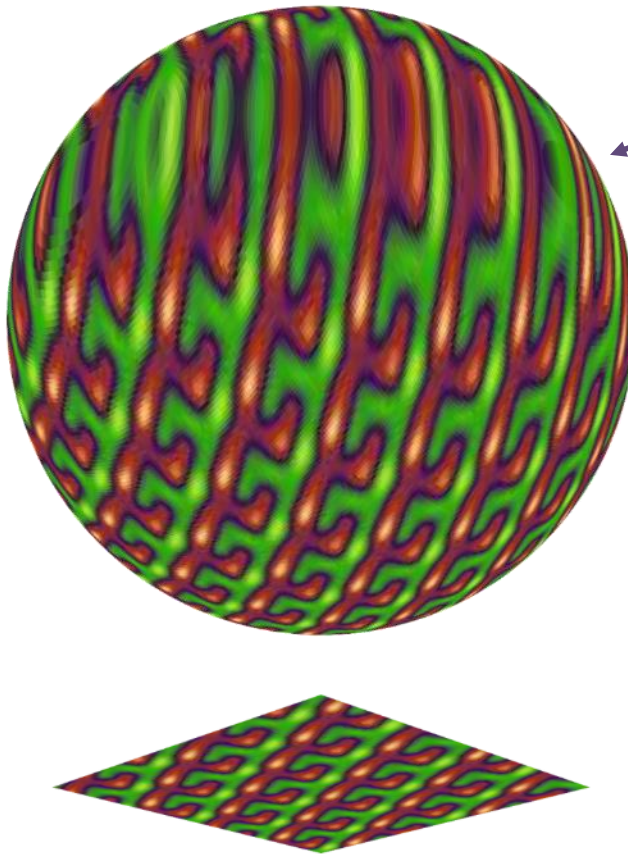
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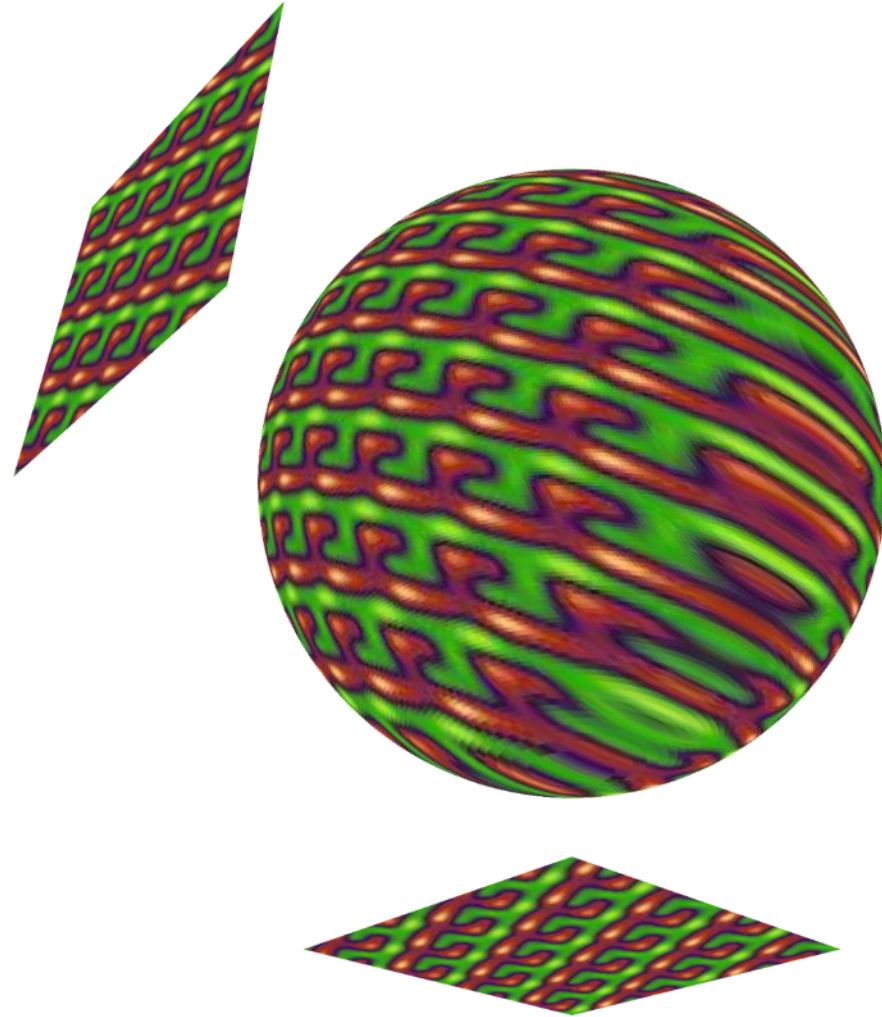


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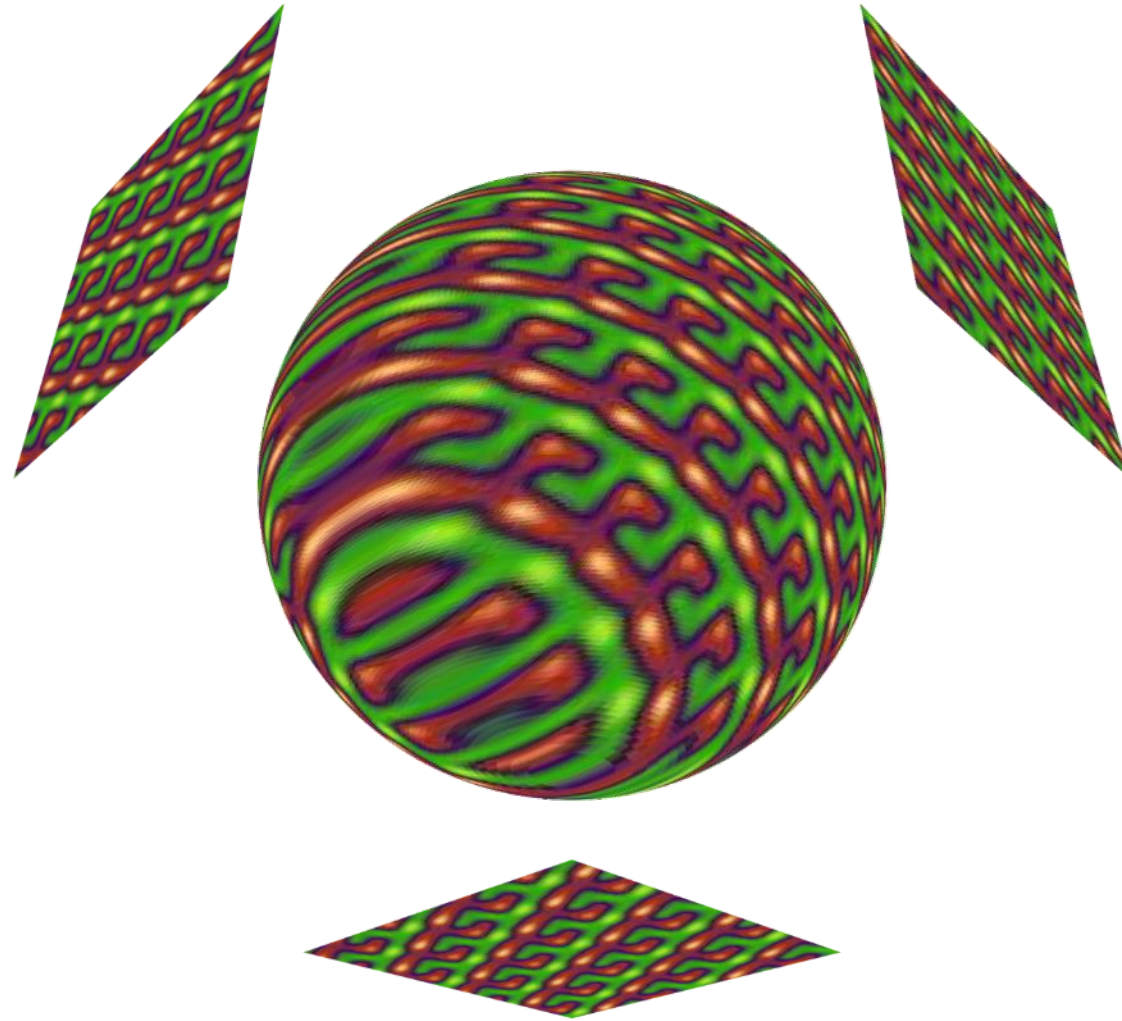


Distortion!

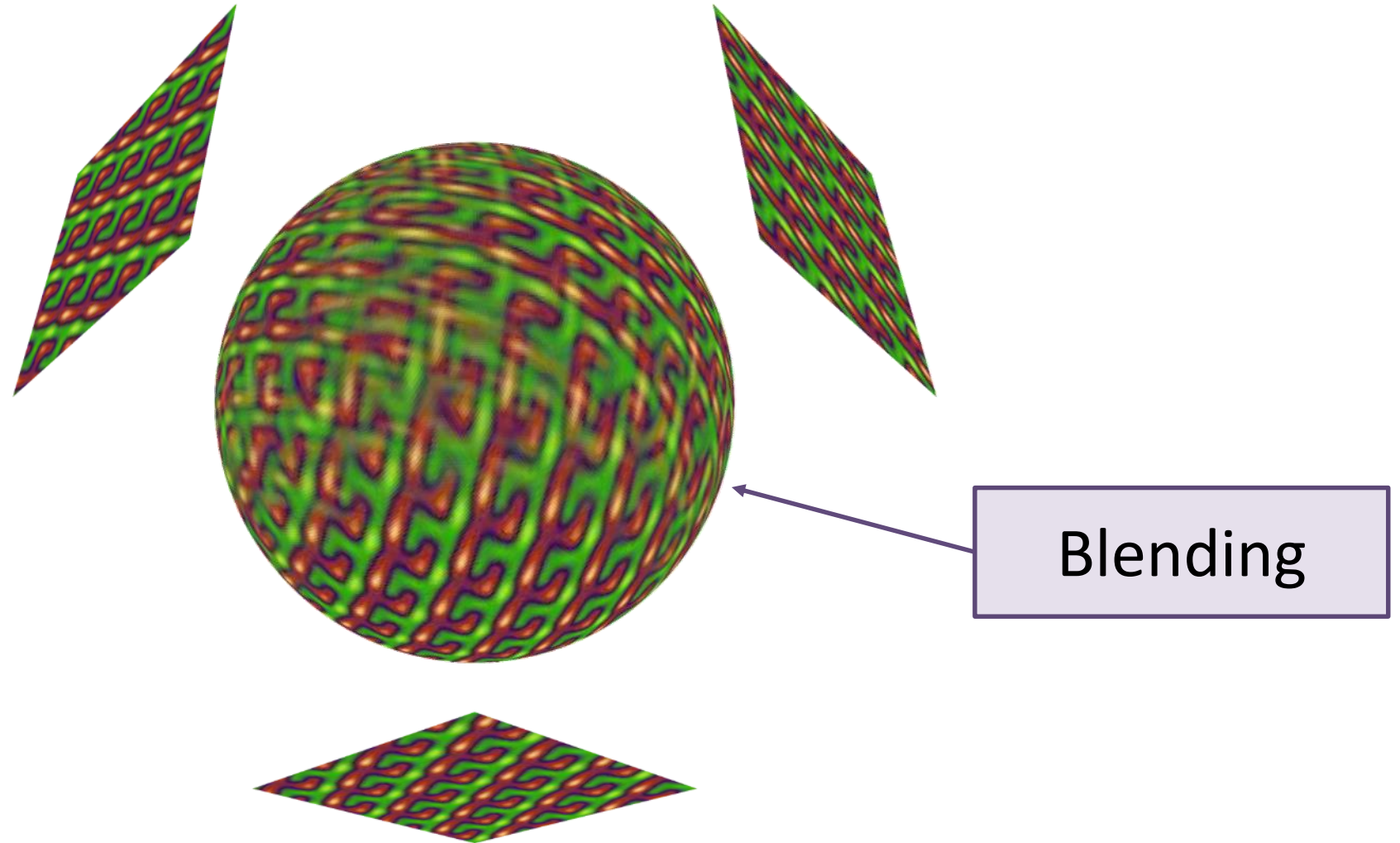
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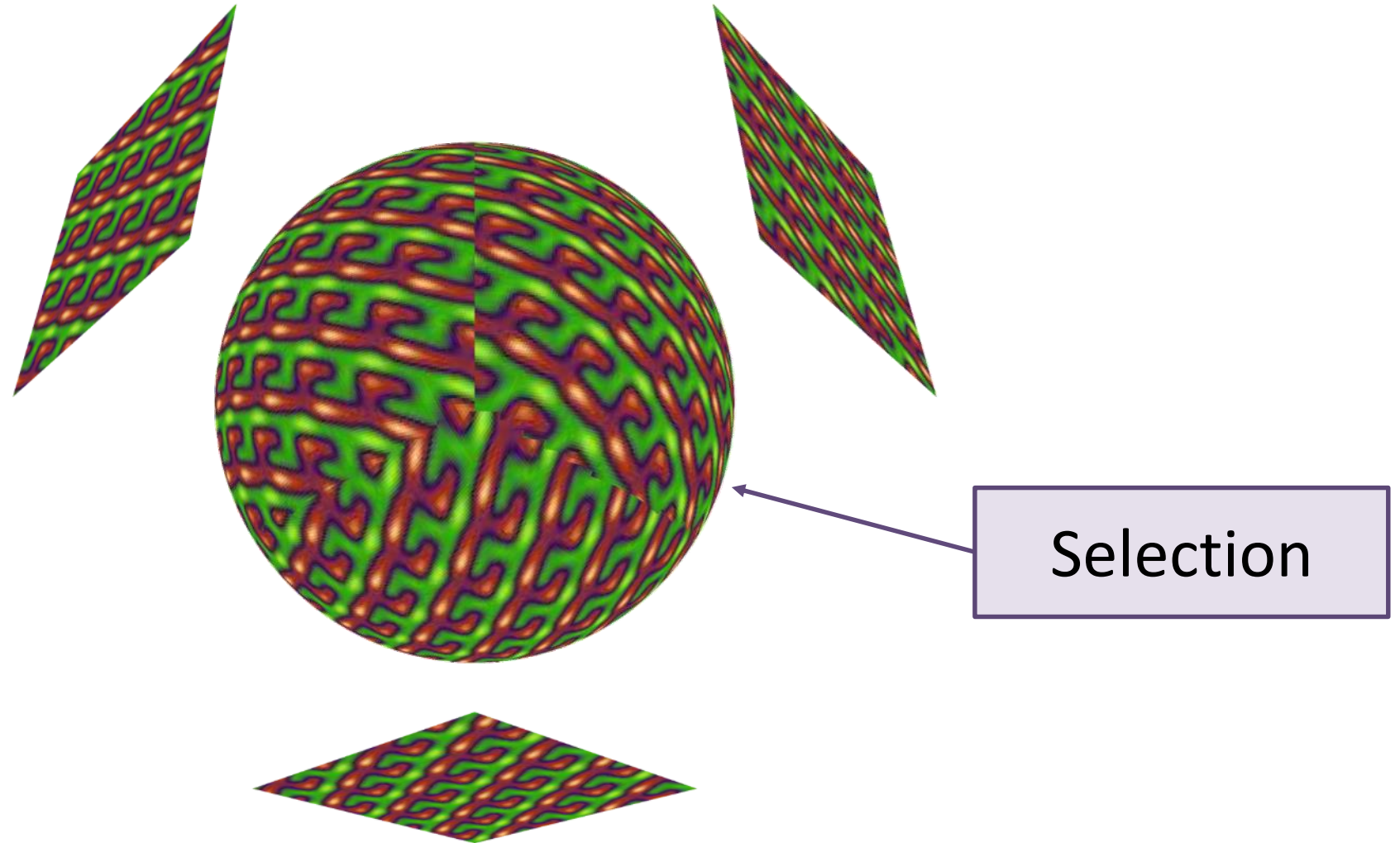
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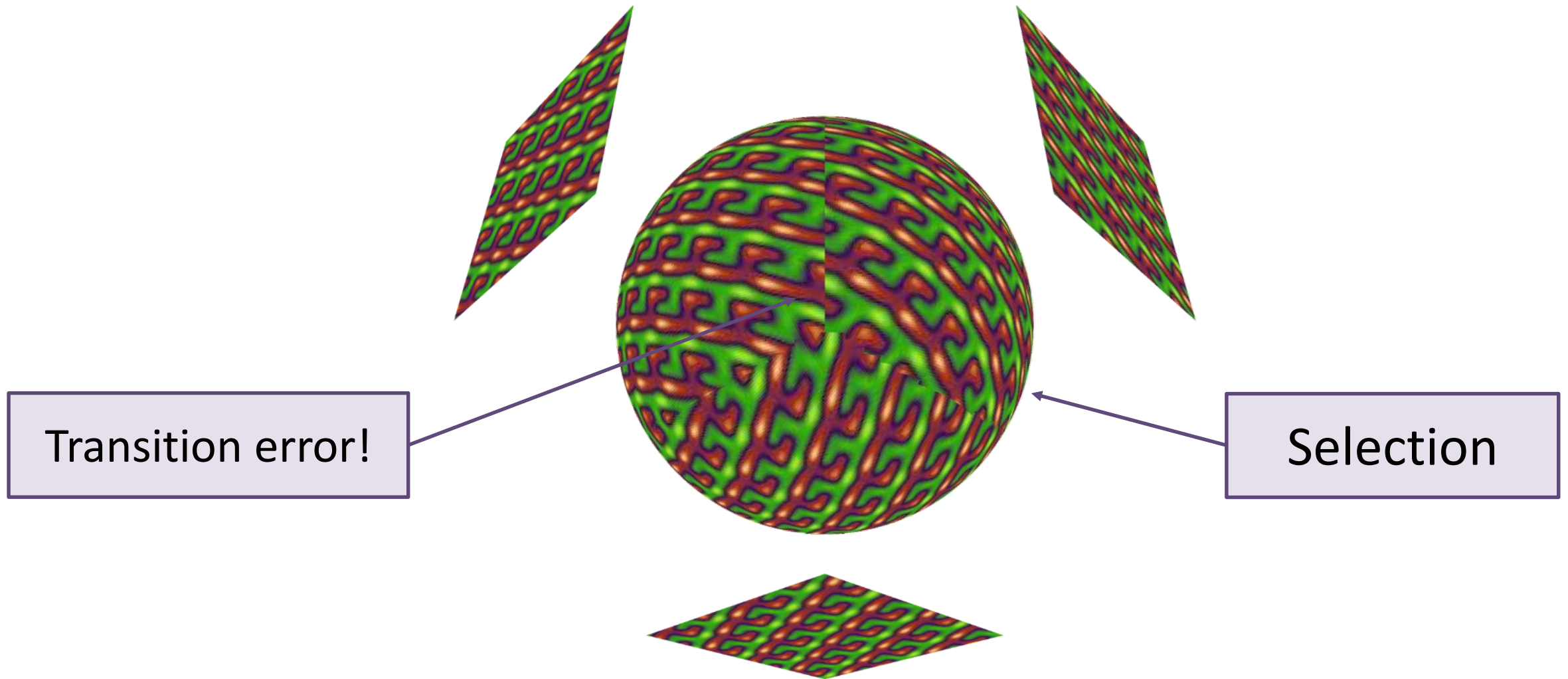
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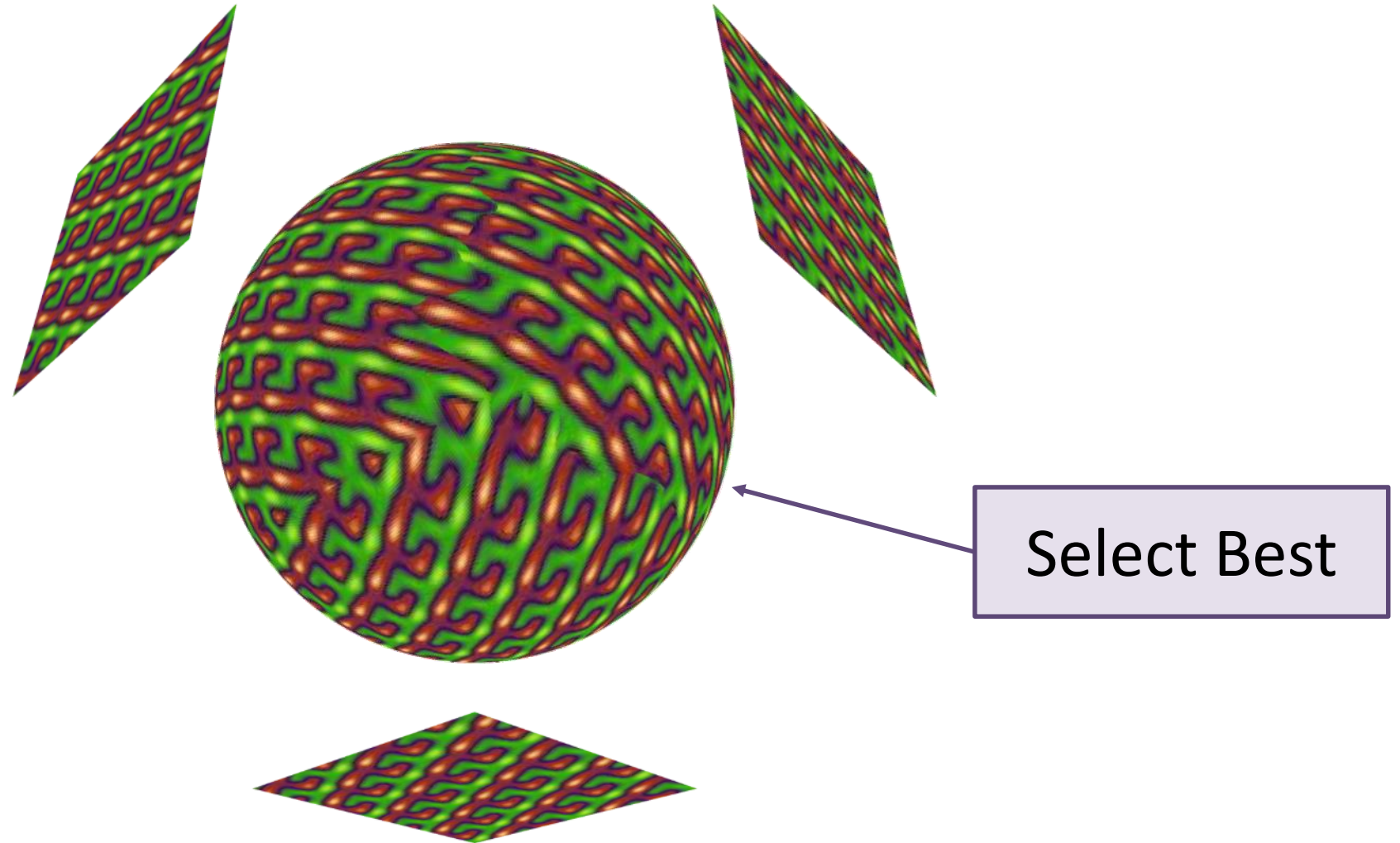
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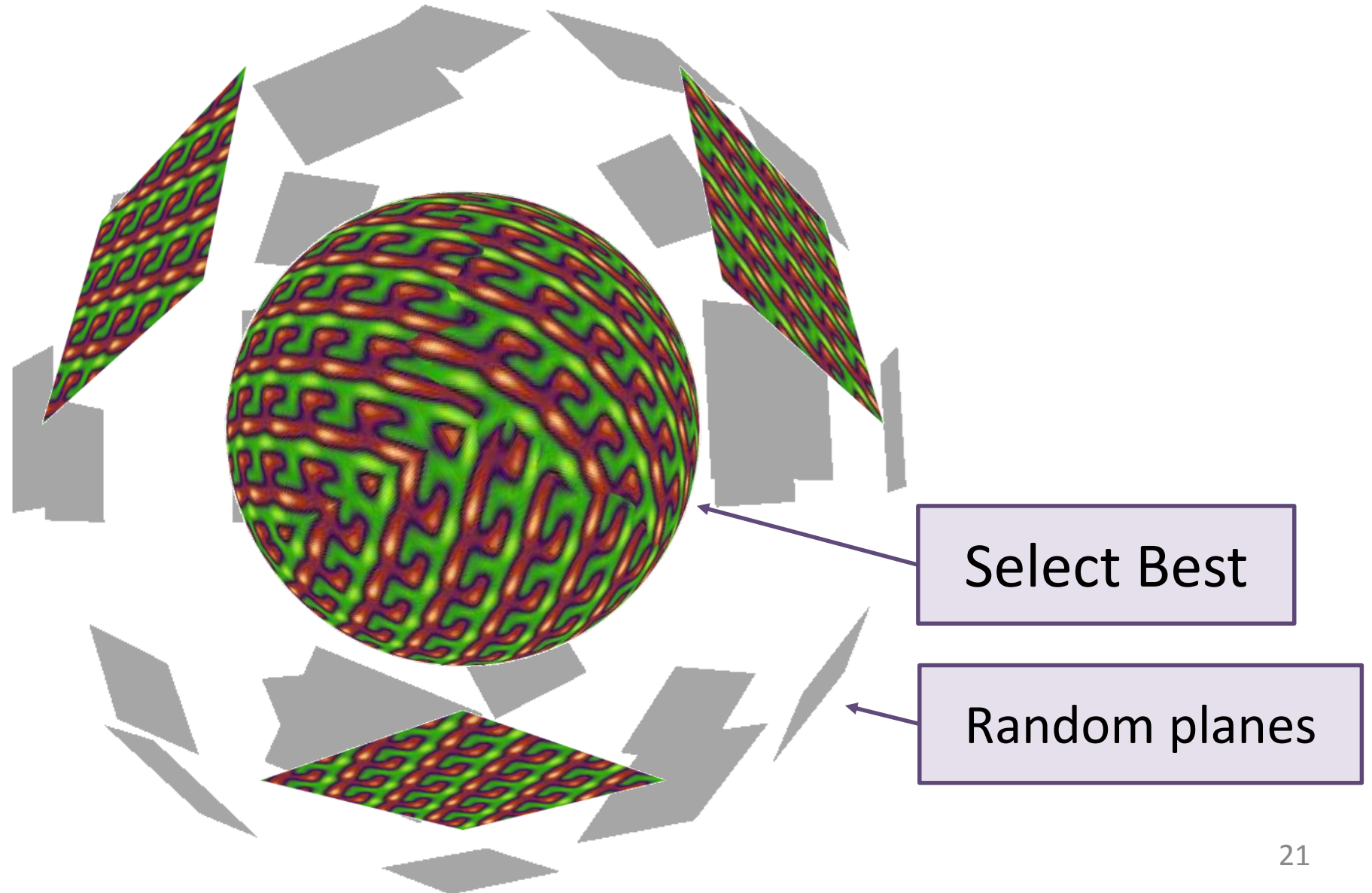
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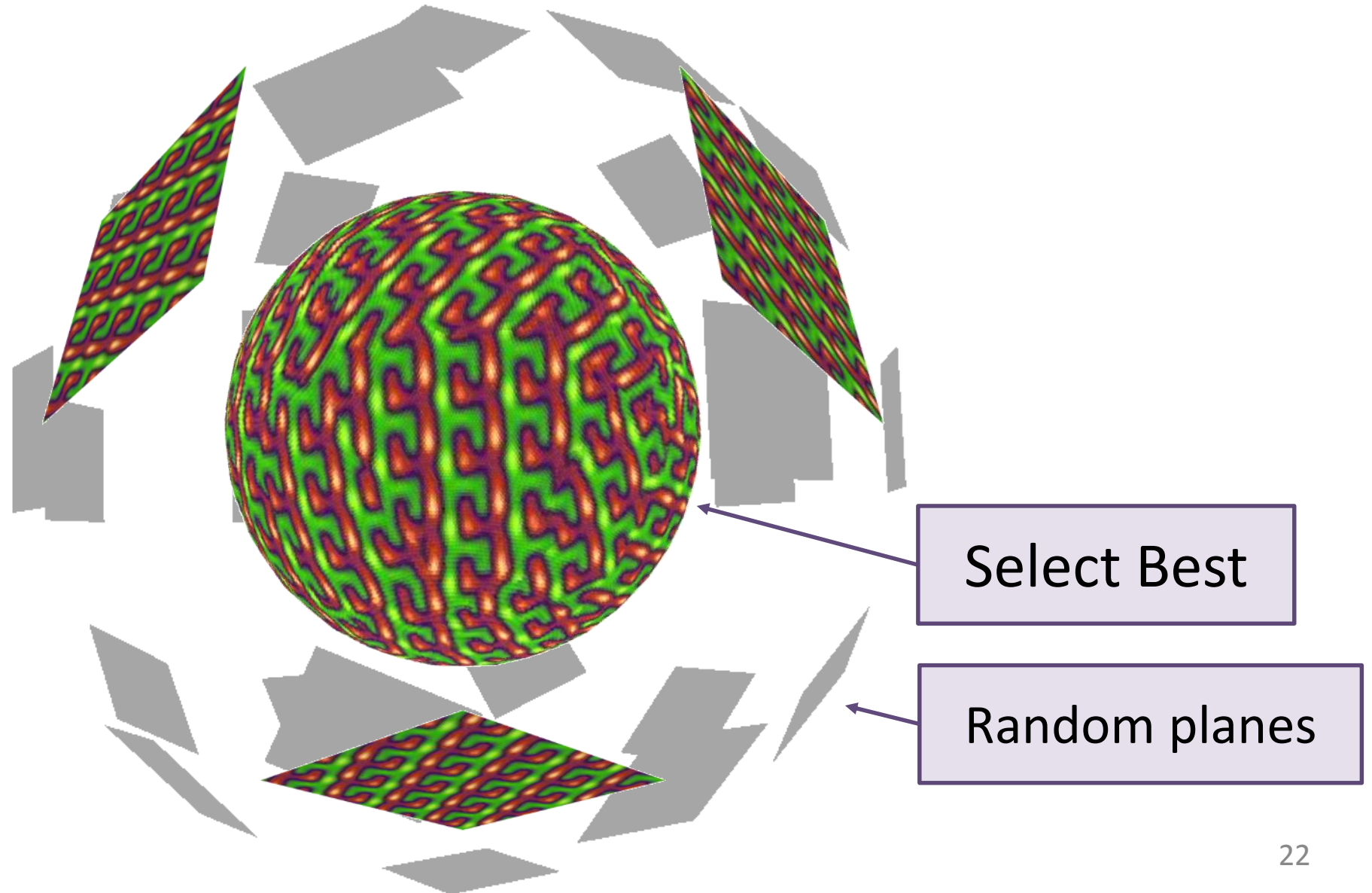
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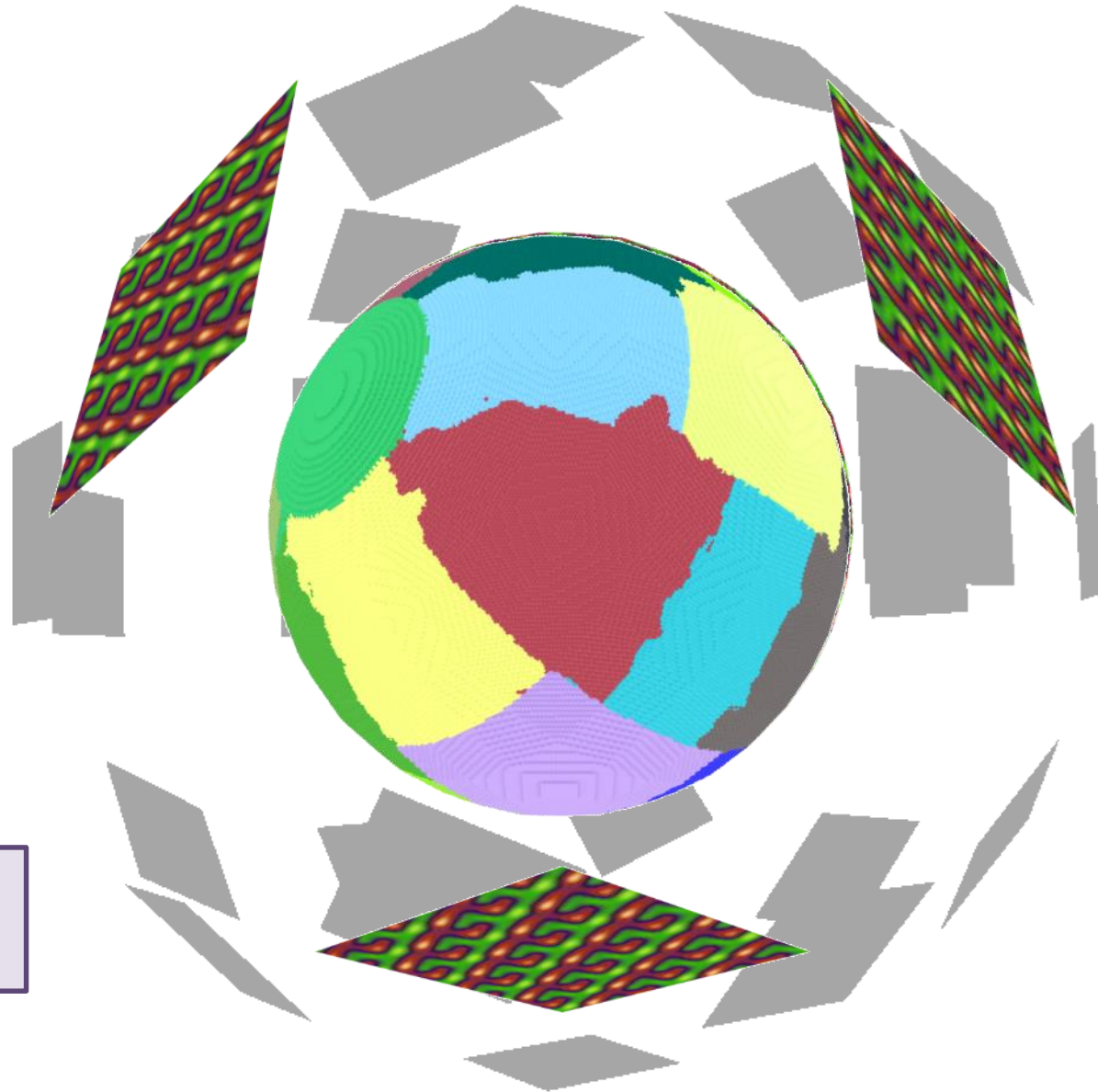
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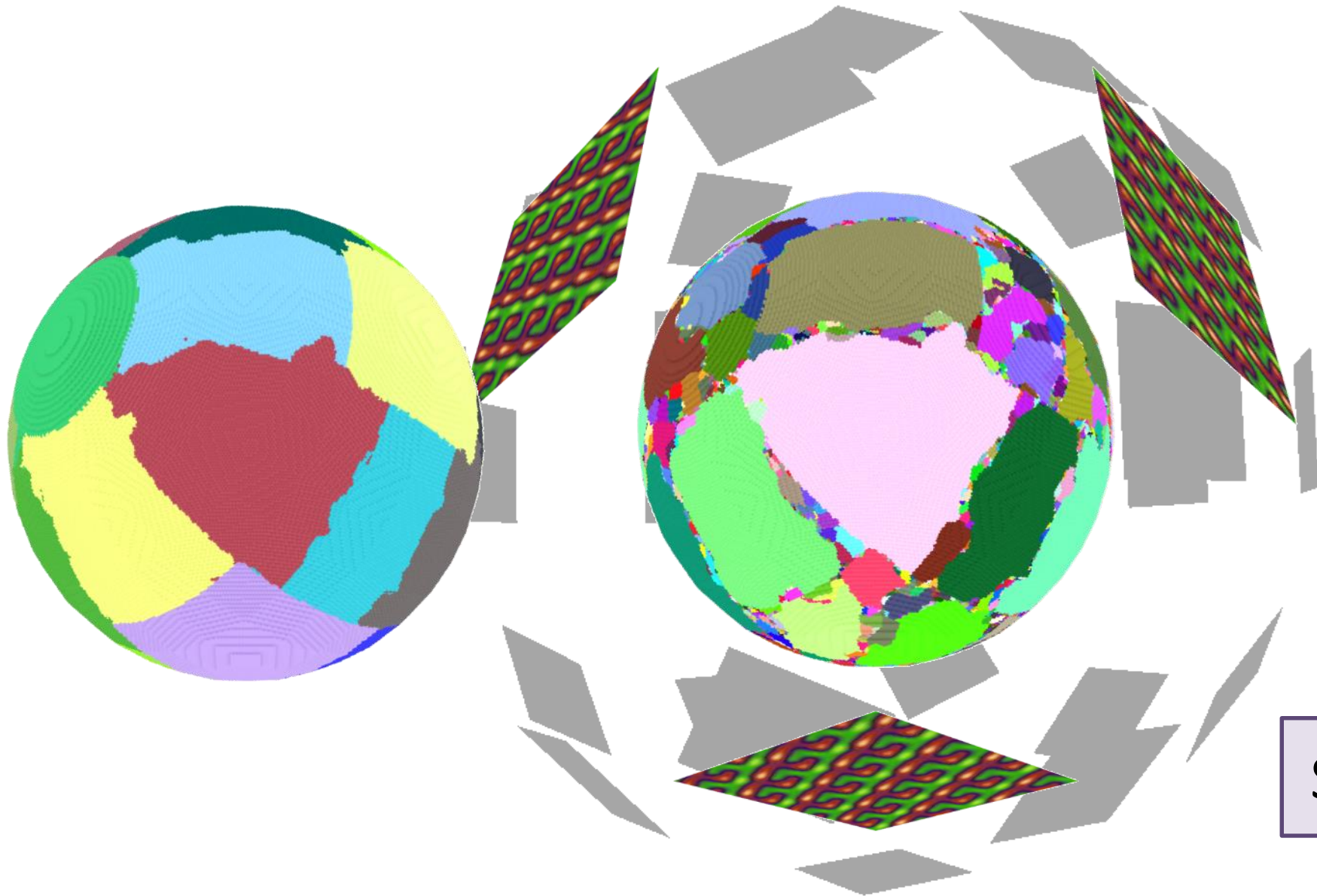


On-surface texture synthesis, the easier way



Plane choices

On-surface texture synthesis, the easier way



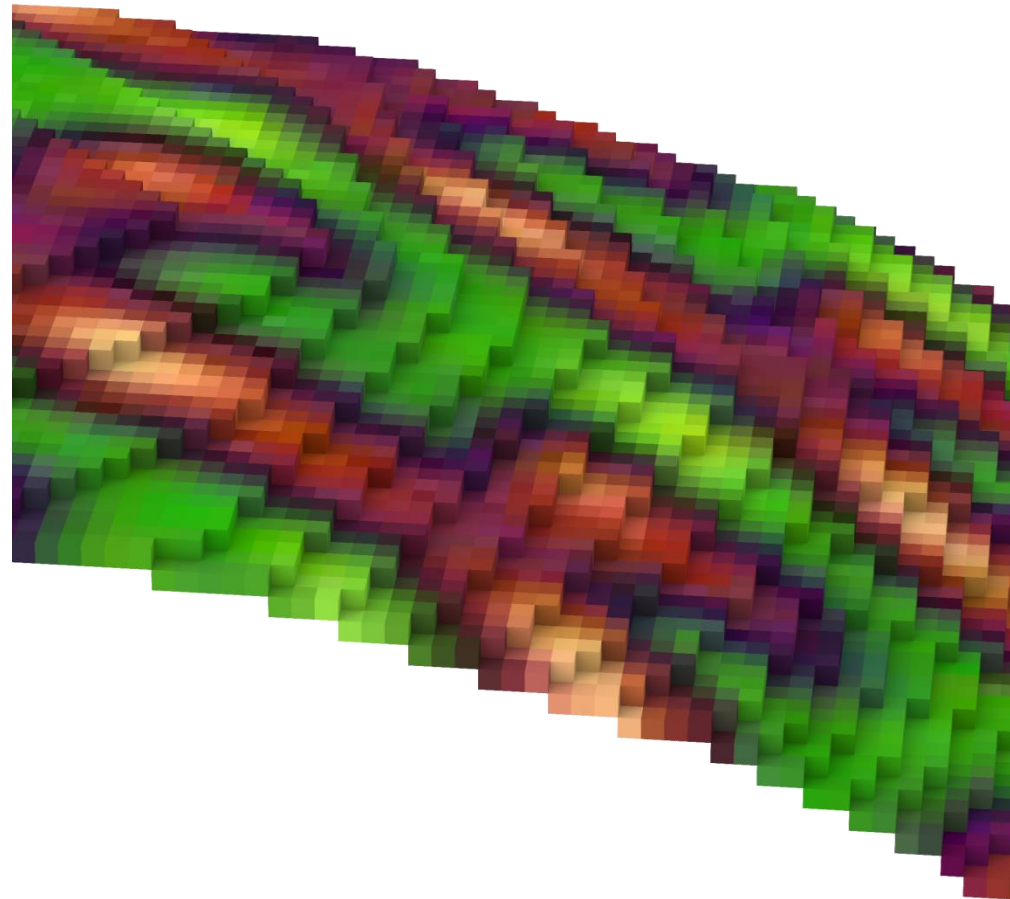
Shifts + Rotations

Labelling Problem

- Surface neighborhood (2D)

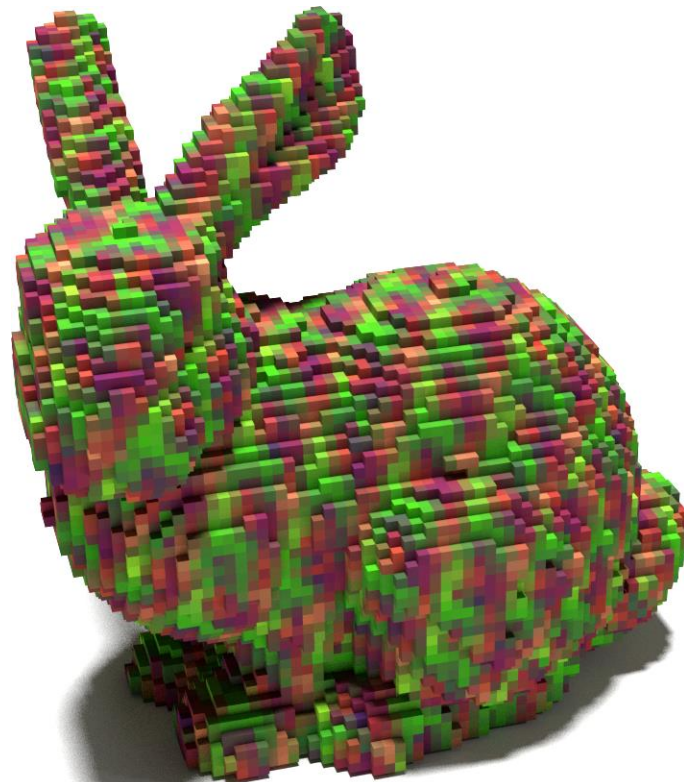
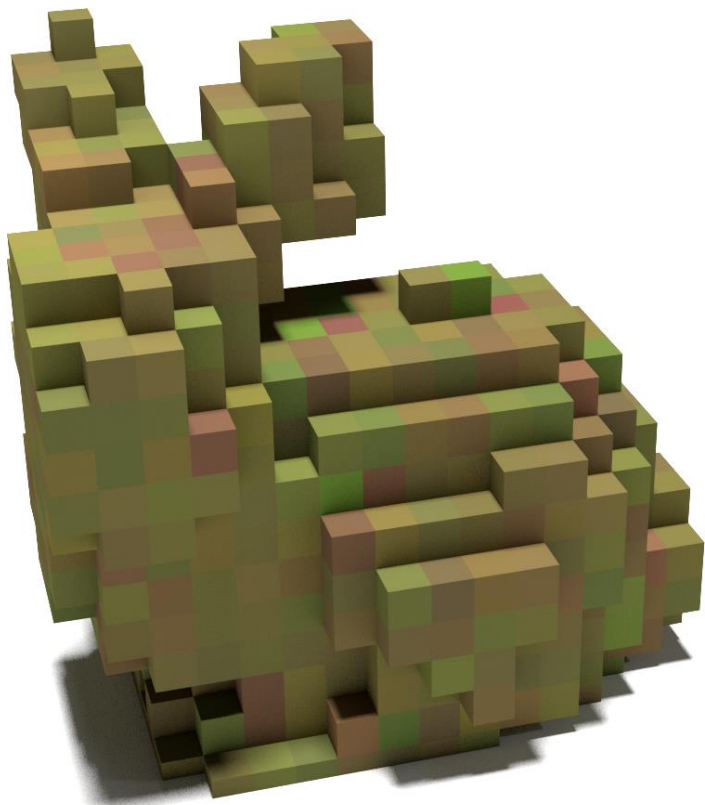
Transition error

Distortion error

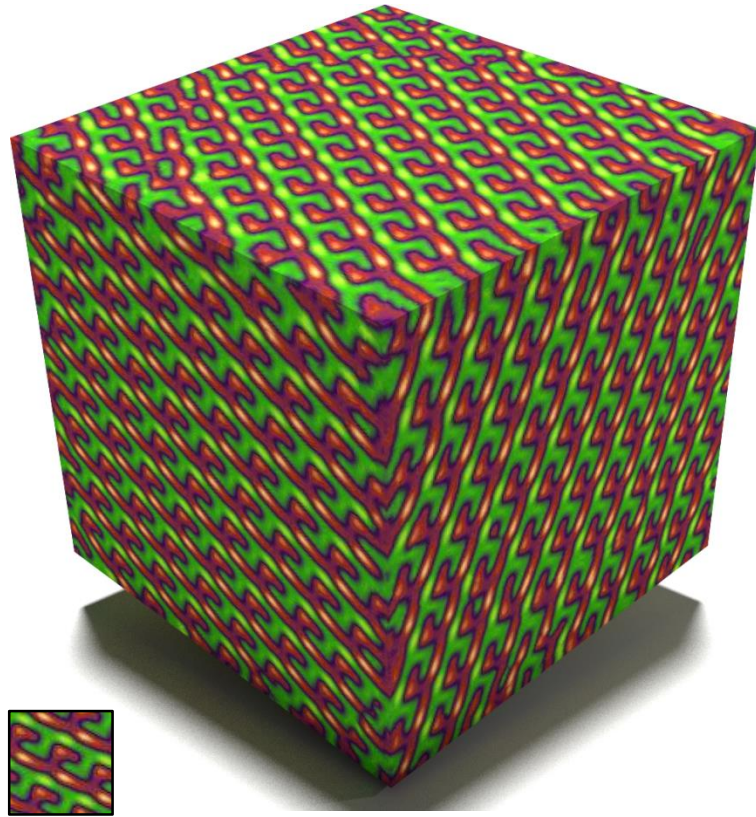


Multiresolution Synthesis

- Upsample, jitter, correction [Lefebvre and Hoppe 2005]



Results



Time 28.6s



Time 14.7s

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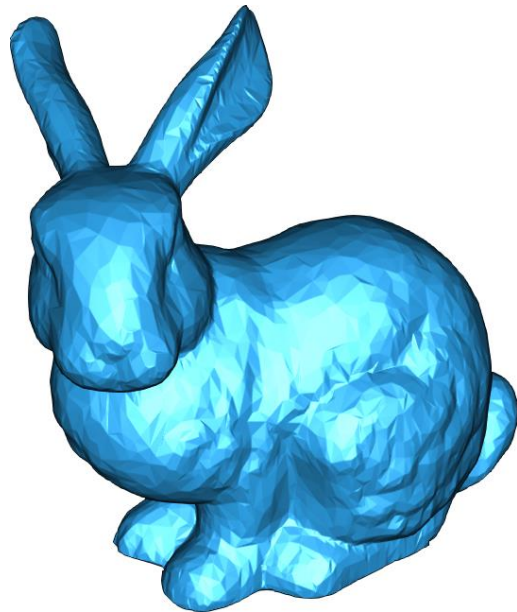


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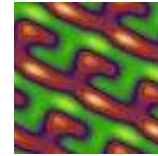
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Texture as structure?

Model



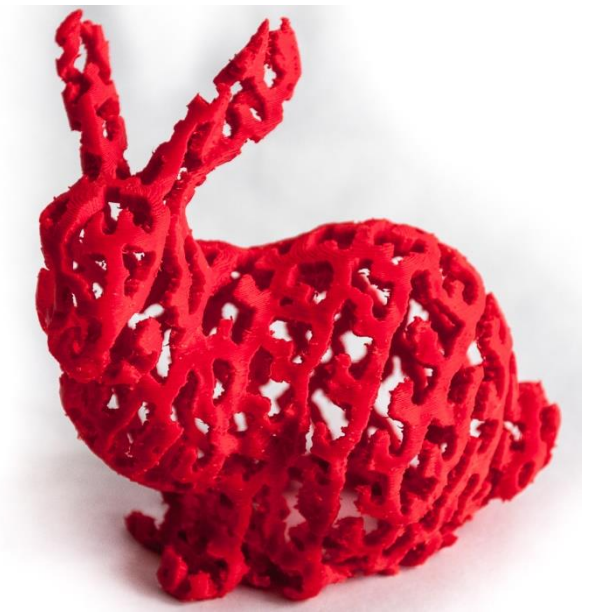
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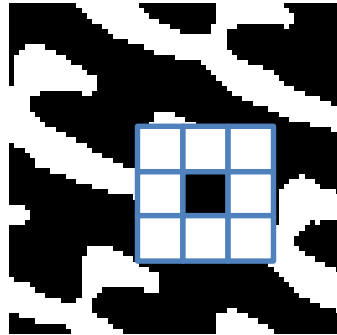
Texture Synthesis?



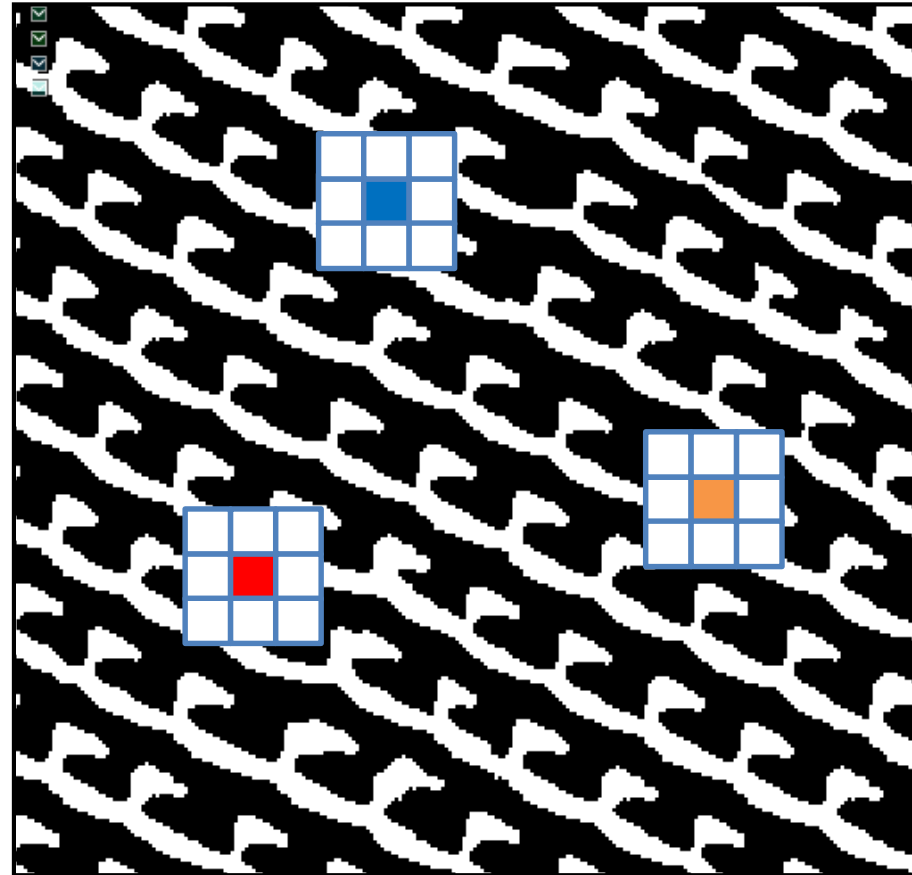
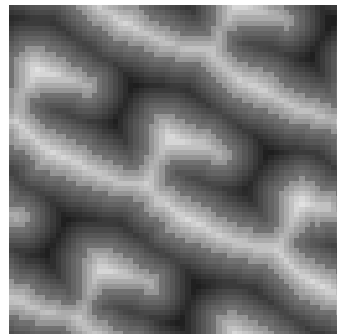
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Texture synthesis: structure formulation

(density field)



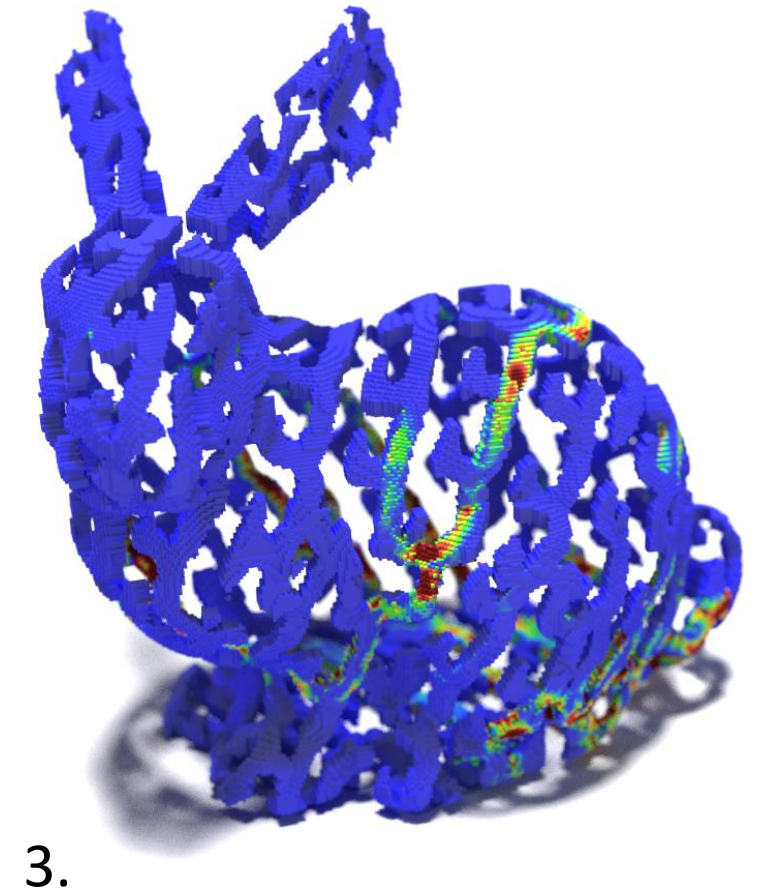
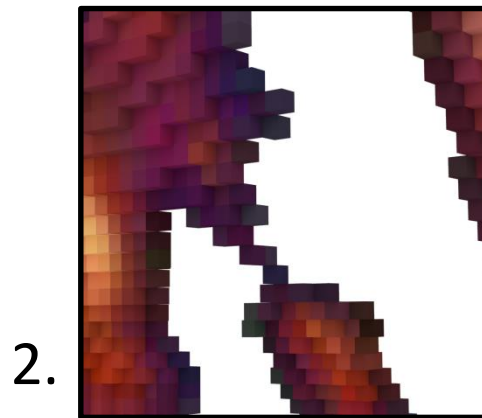
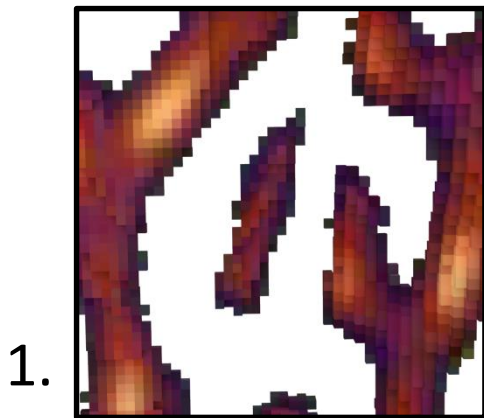
Exemplar



Neighborhoods capture *local geometry* accross scales

Printability

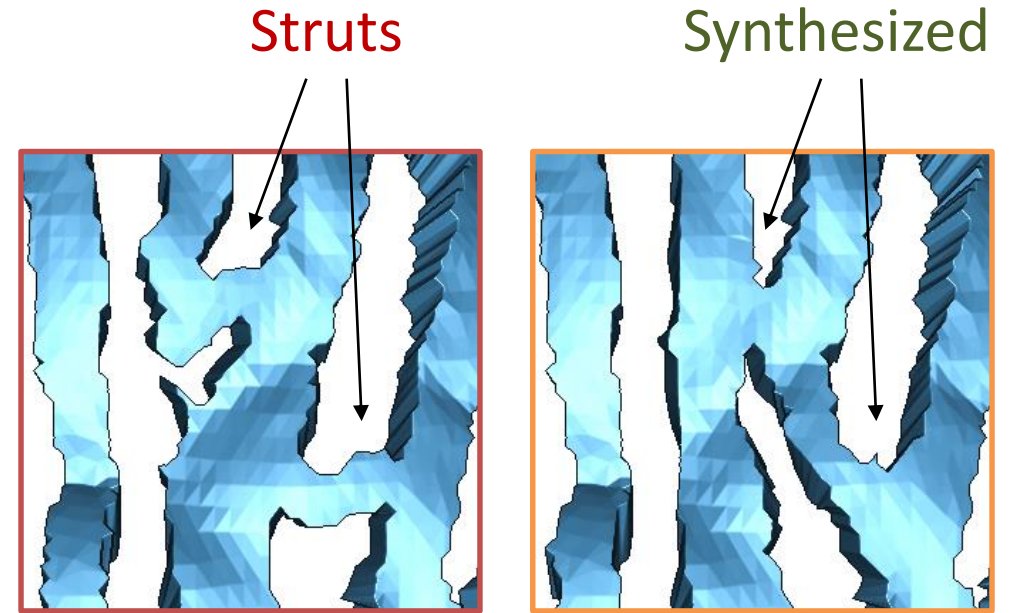
1. Connected components
2. Minimum thickness
3. No weak part (rigidity)



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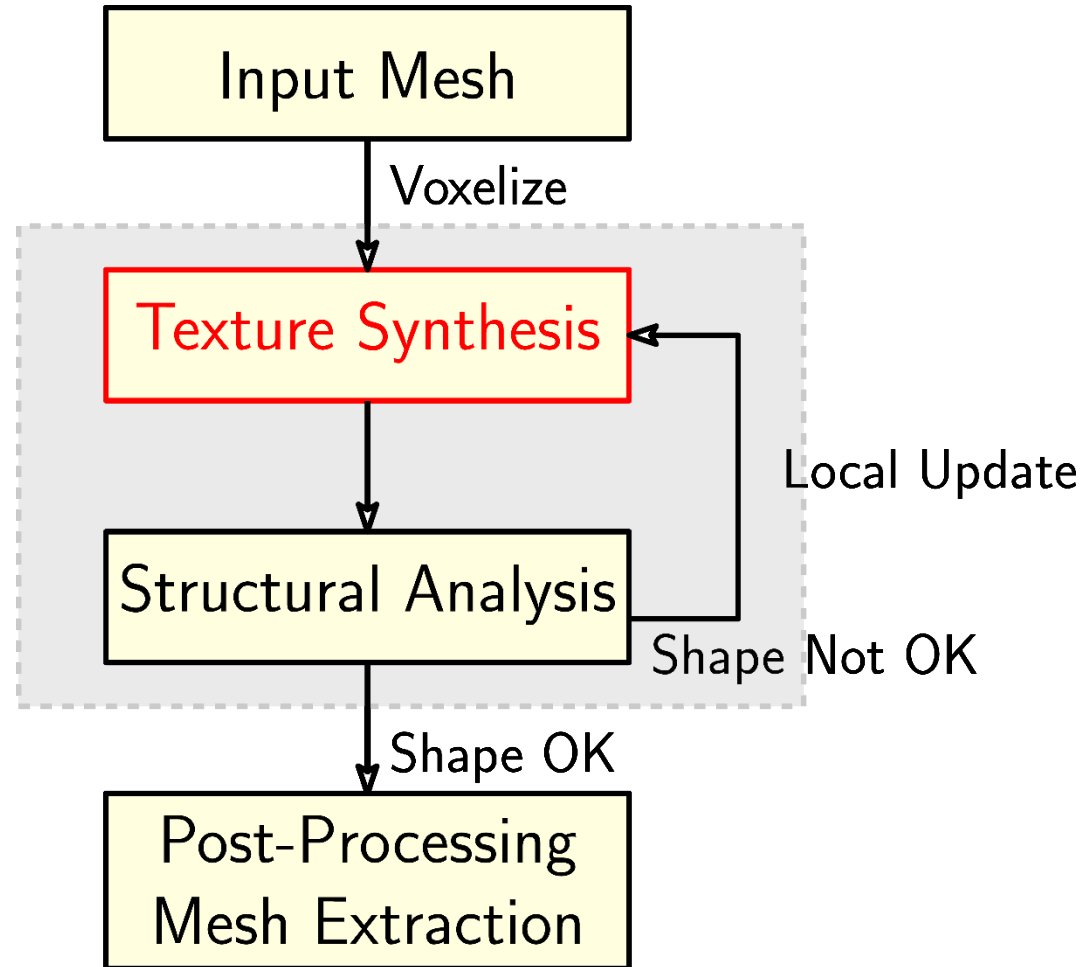
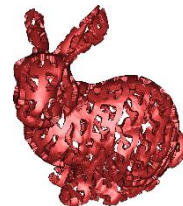
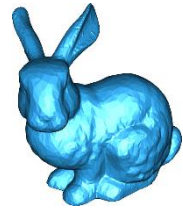
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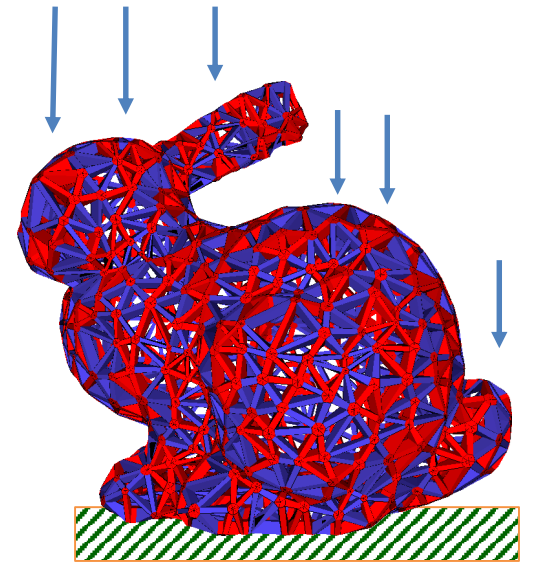
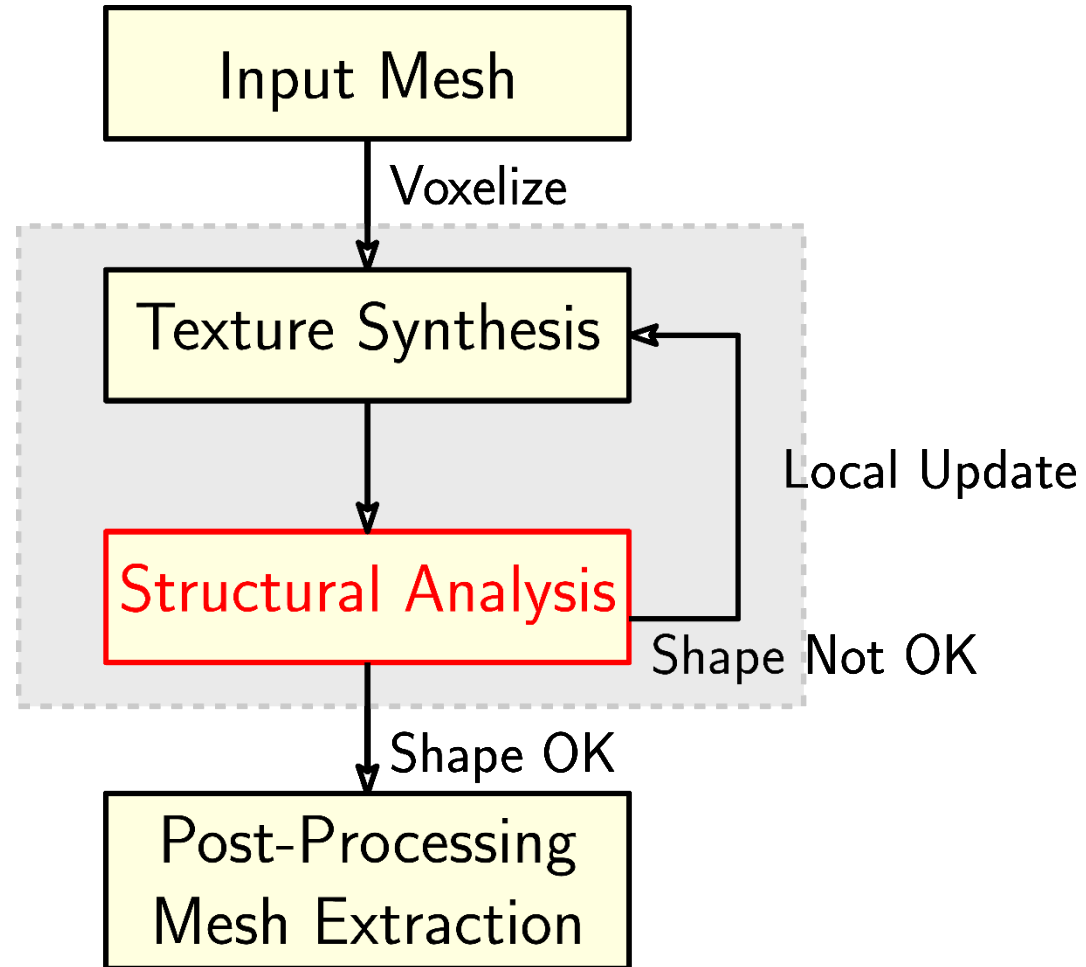
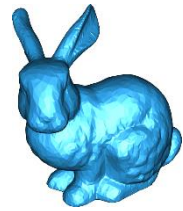
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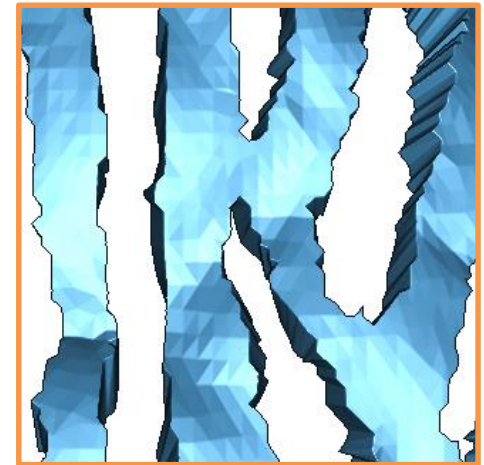
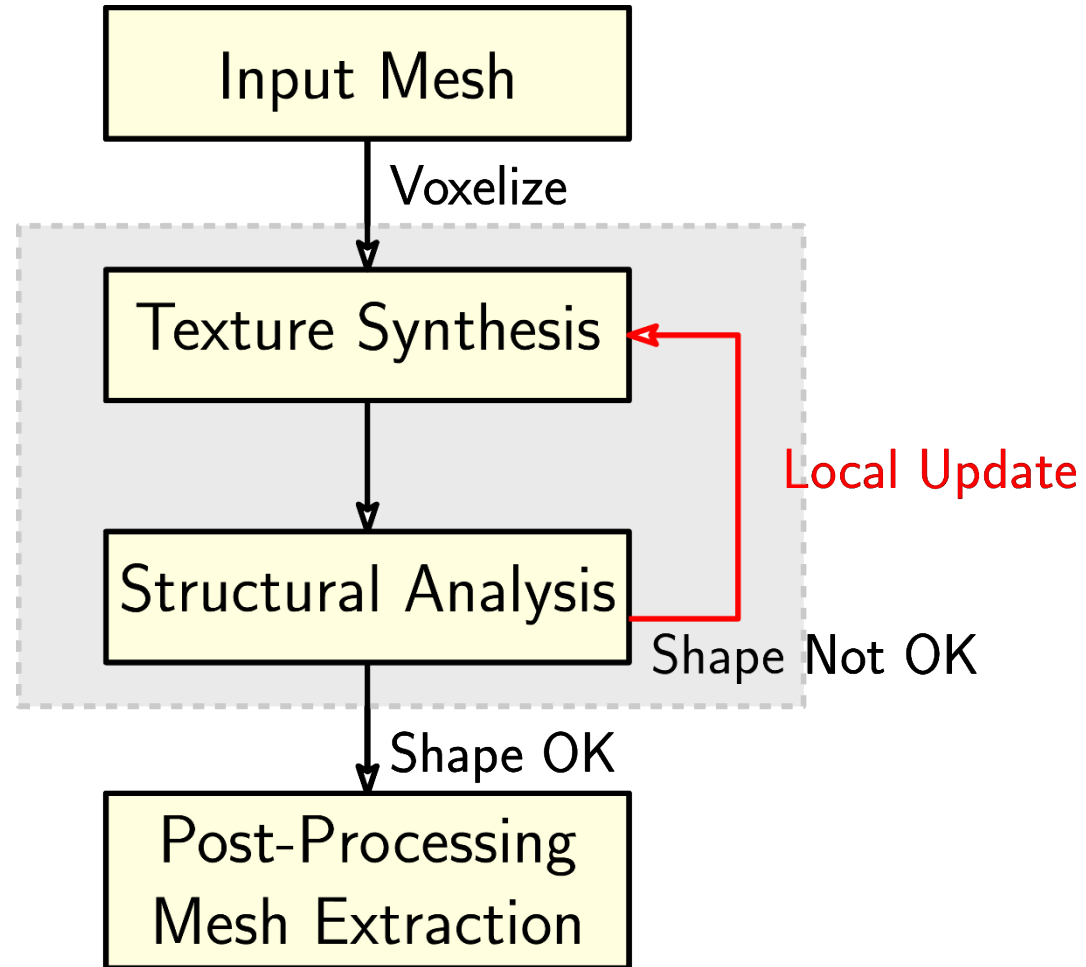
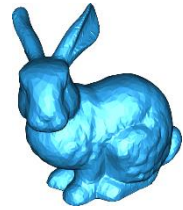
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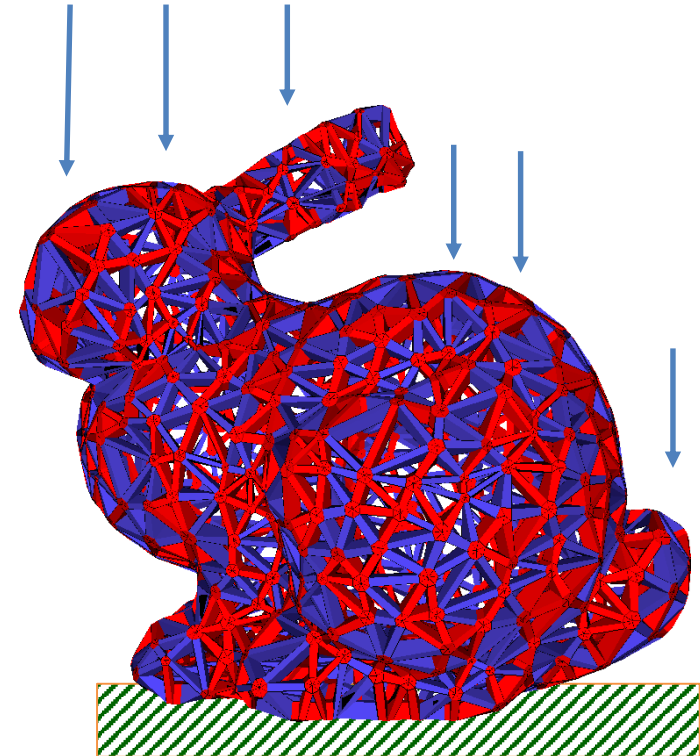


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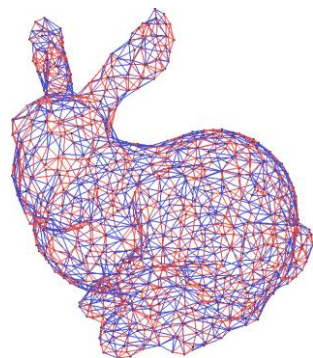
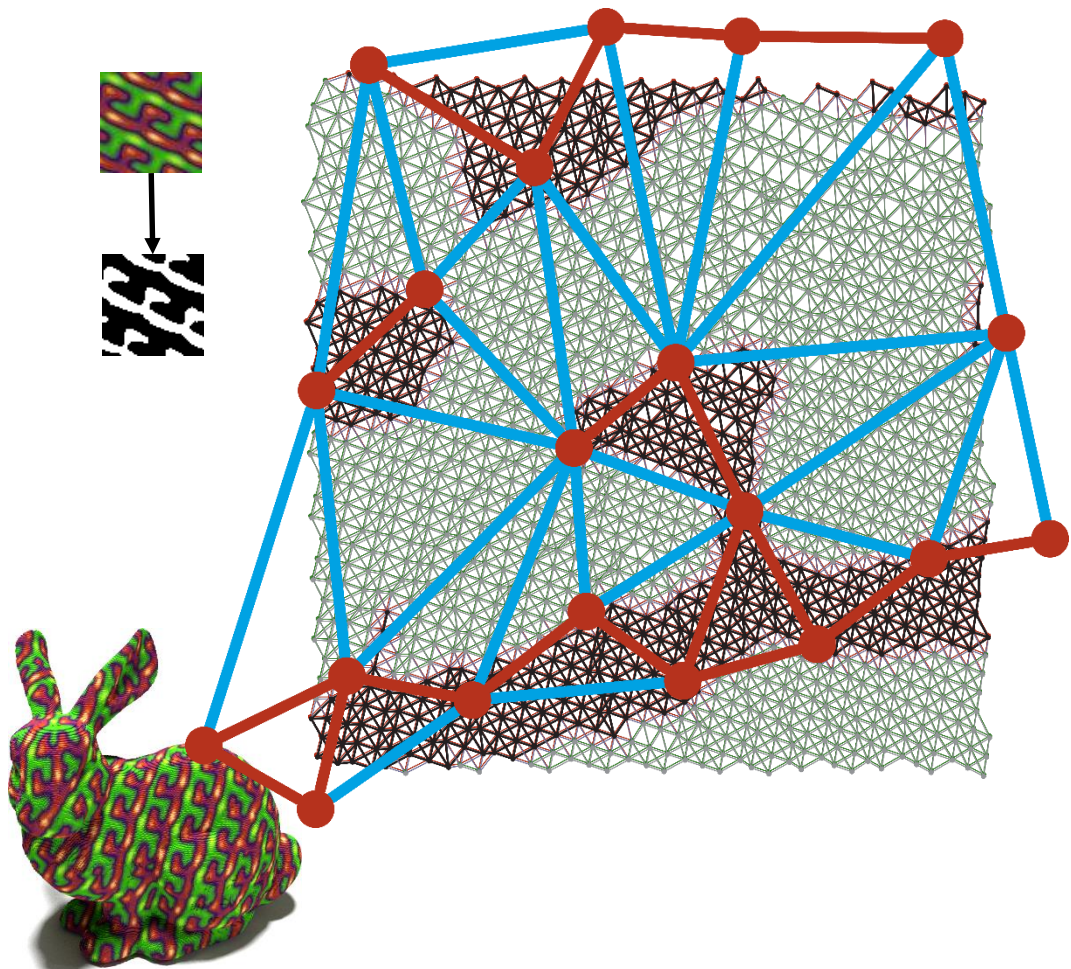


How to evaluate weak parts?

- Similar to SIMP method, we consider 'weak' and 'strong' material
 - Issues:
 - Voxel grid is huge (~ 5M voxels)
 - Weak and strong → hard to converge
 - We need 20-30 iterations synthesis/analysis
- Too expensive
- Approximate the pattern



Abstract Pattern Graph

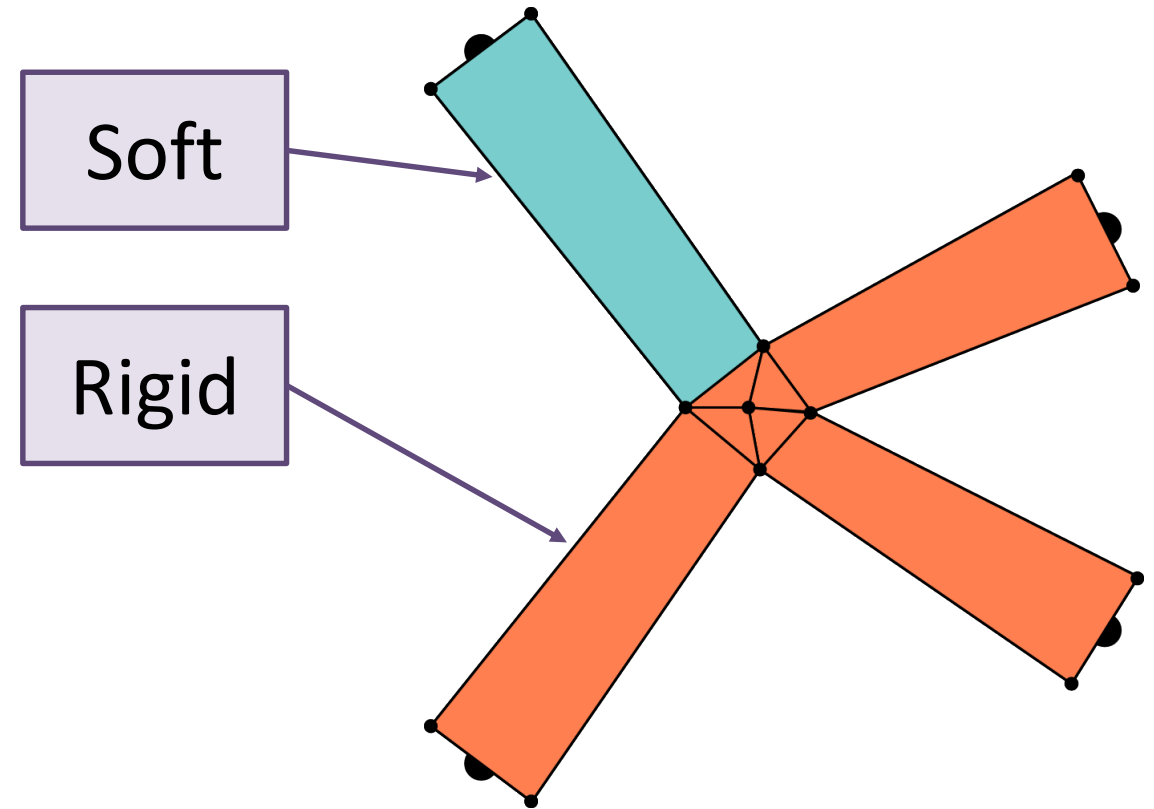


Physical Simulation




- Basic idea: replace graph by finite elements

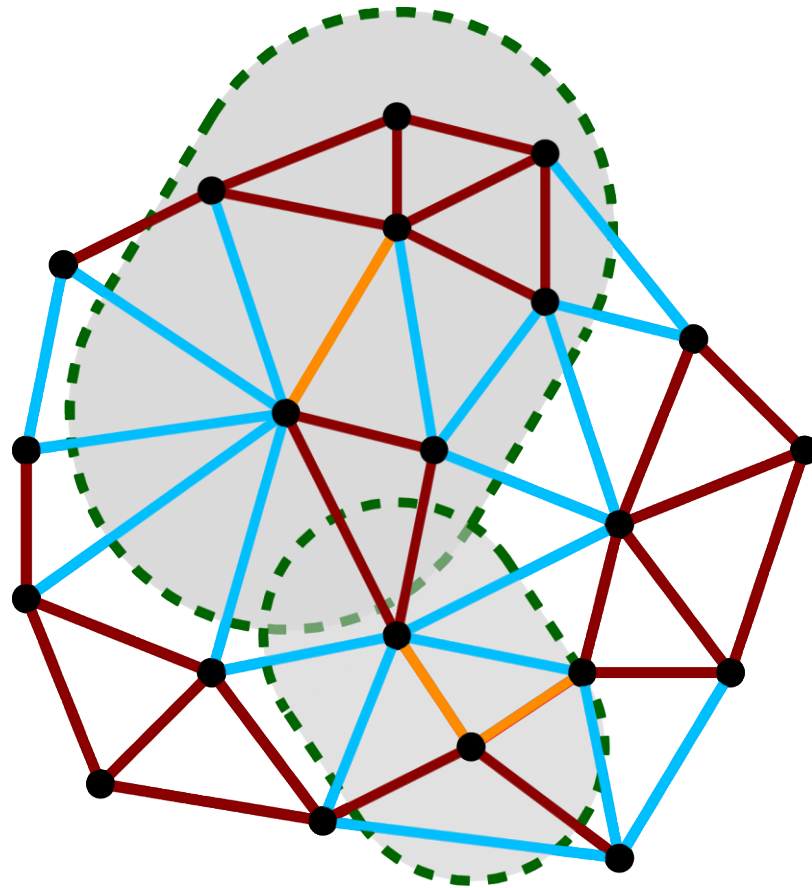
In 2D: Quad & Triangle
In 3D: Hex & Wedge

- ➔ Local planarity assumption
- ➔ Few elements: fast solution (1s)



Edge Selection Process

Solid 
Empty 
Selected 

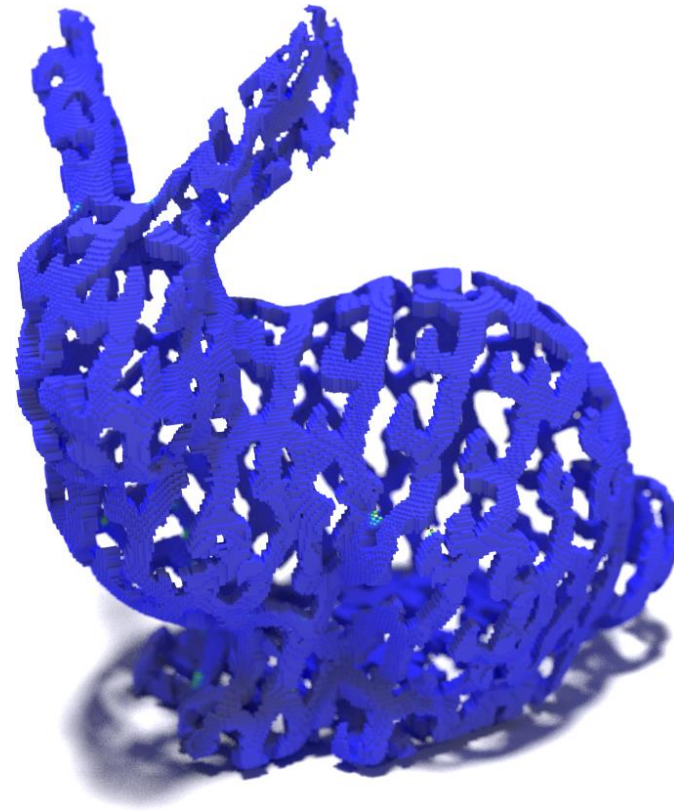


Simulation on the Final Mesh

Stress 99th%

153.9 KPa

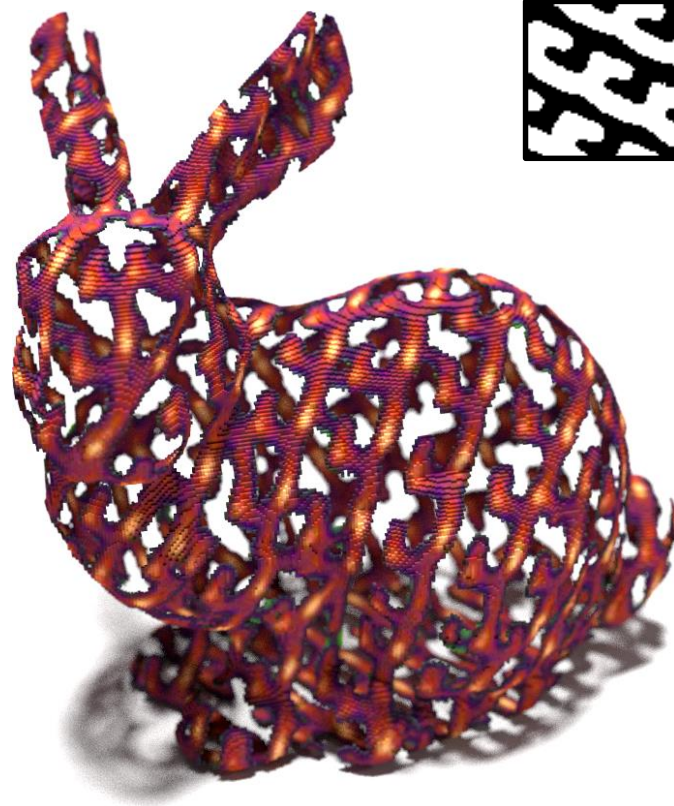
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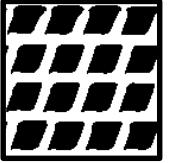
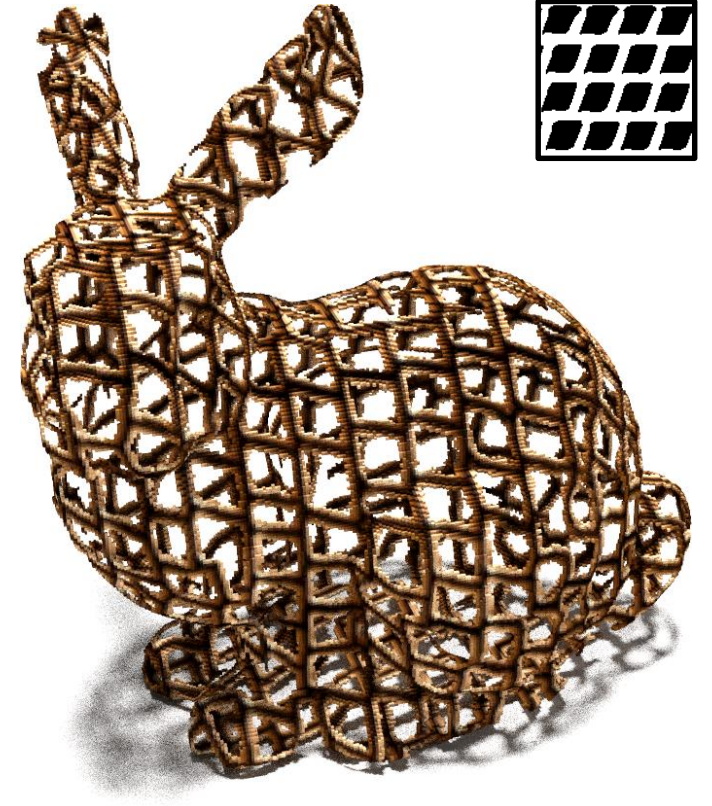
Results – Structure + Color



t_{total} :
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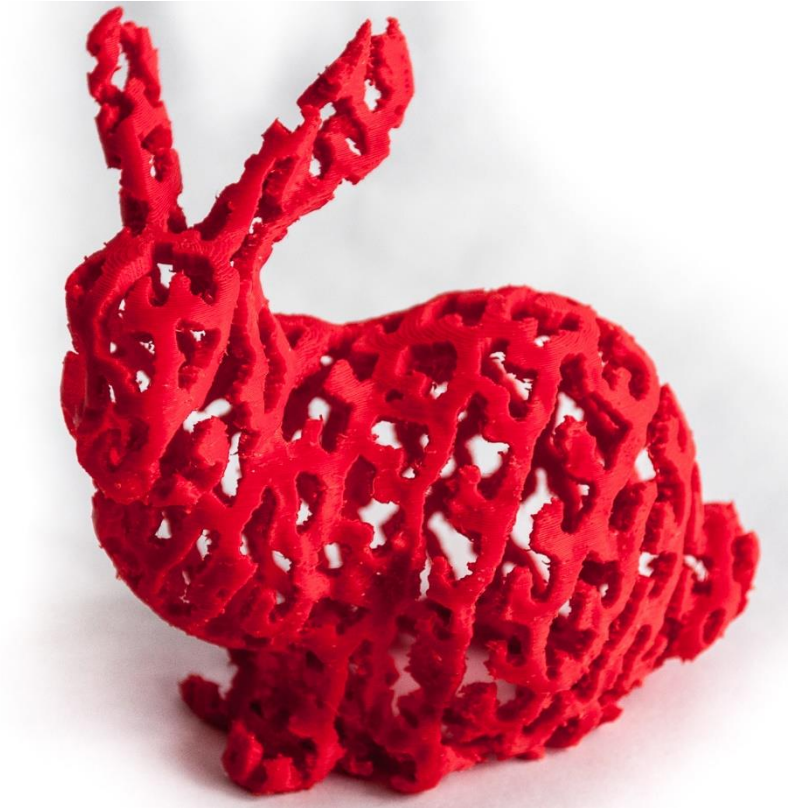
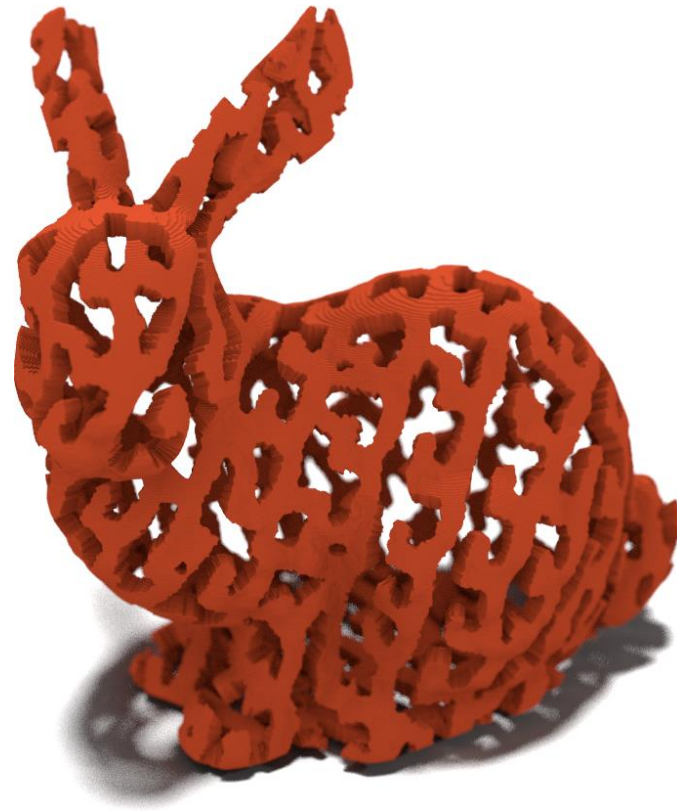
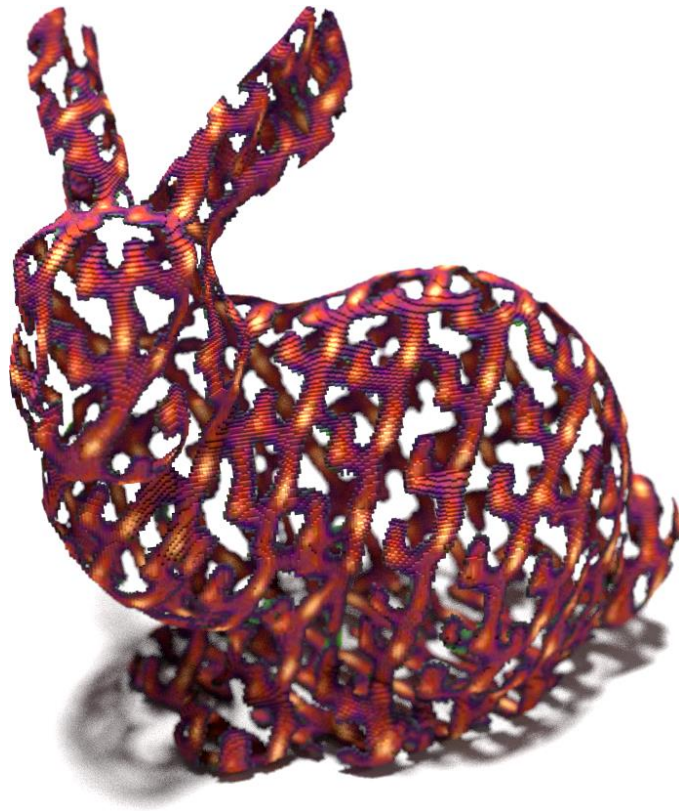


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t_{total} :
14.6s

From surface structure to final mesh



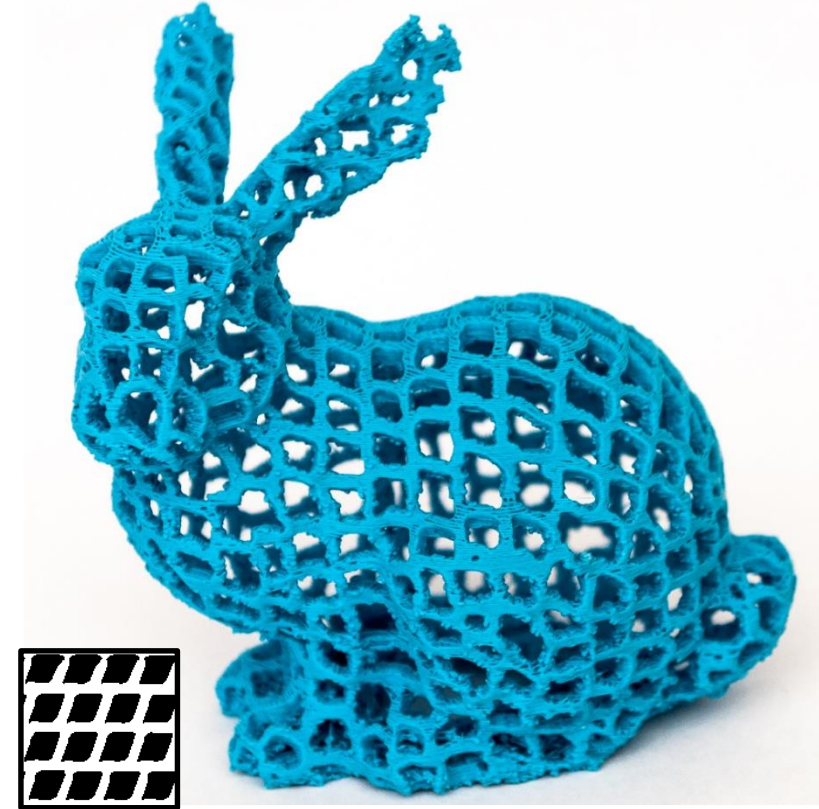
Results - Printouts



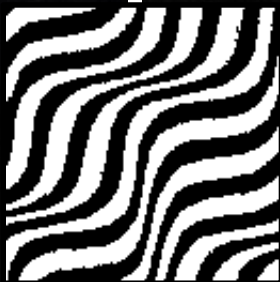
t_{total} :
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t_{total} :
11.4s



t_{total} :
14.5s



Other recent references

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J. Zehnder, S. Coros, B. Thomaszewski, SIGGRAPH 2016
- **Stenciling: Designing Structurally-Sound Surfaces with Decorative Patterns**
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W. Chen, X. Zhang, S. Xin, Y. Xia ,S. Lefebvre and W. Wang, SIGGRAPH 2016

All these works use a different point of view: discrete element distributions

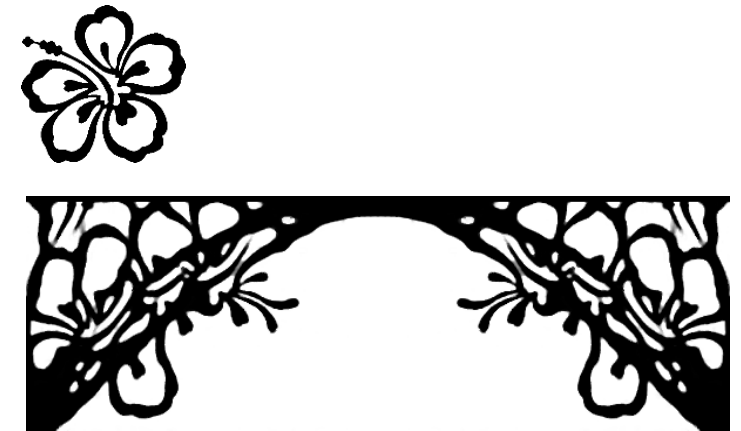
Key ideas for structure synthesis

Pattern is stochastic

- Exhibits degrees of freedom
- Use pattern itself to locally reinforce structure

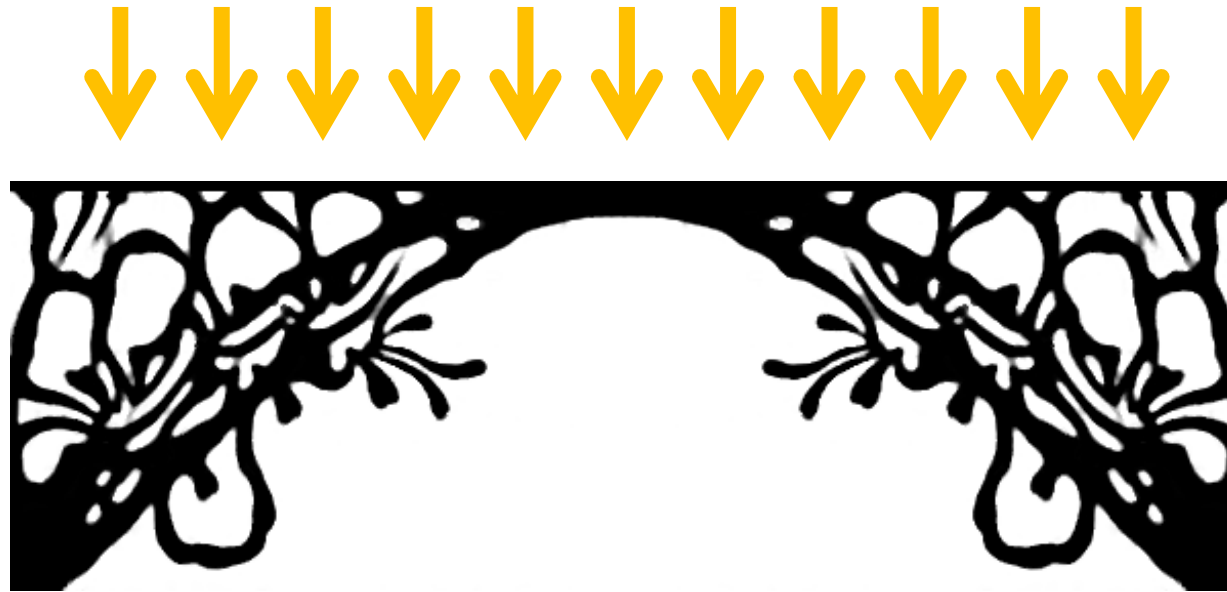
Exemplar specifies local geometry

- Large scale arrangement can be optimized 'orthogonally'
- Combination with topology optimization?



Our Goal

Exemplar



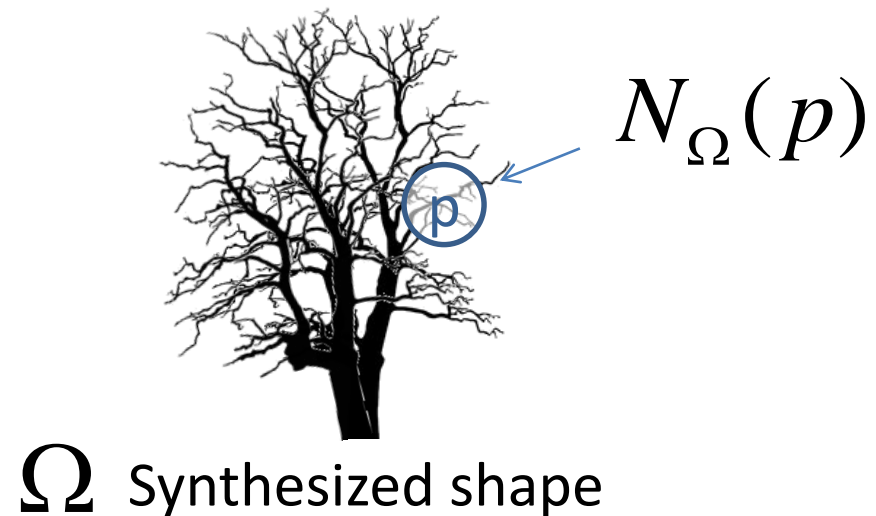
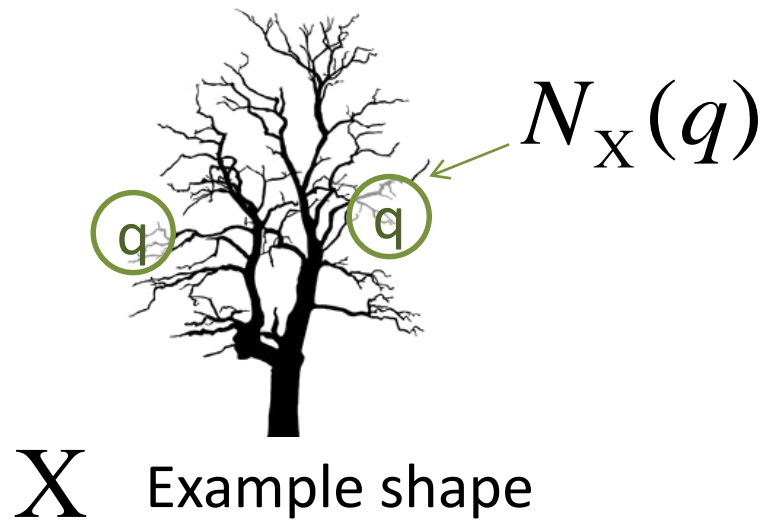
Synthesize shapes under structural and appearance objectives

Local geometry

minimise

$$E(\Omega) = \int_{p \in \partial\Omega} \min_{q \in \partial X} D(N_X(q), N_\Omega(p))$$

Local geometry



Structural properties

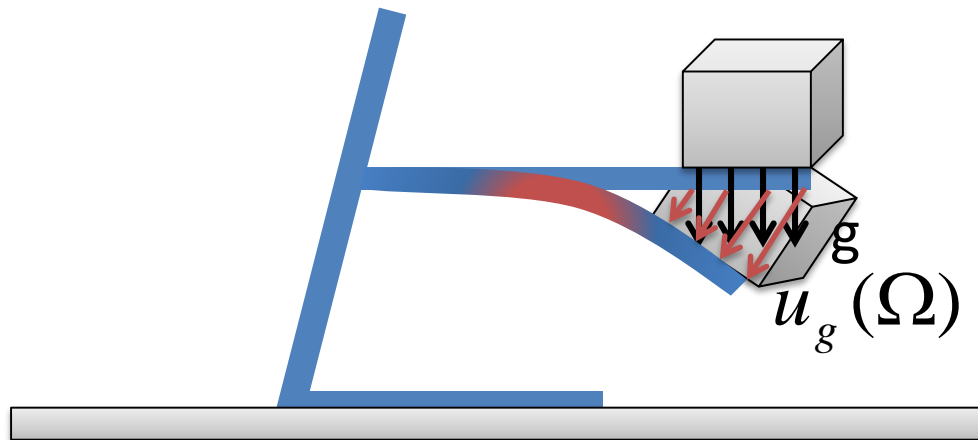
minimise

$$E(\Omega) =$$

compliance

$$\int_{\partial\Omega} g \cdot u_g(\Omega) dx$$

rigidity



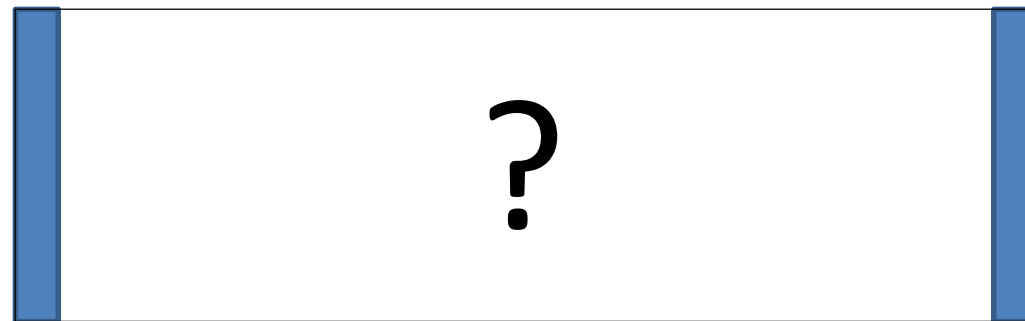
Structural properties

minimise

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$$\int_{\partial\Omega} g \cdot u_g(\Omega) dx$$

rigidity



Gravity



Topology optimization

[Osher, Allaire, Sigmund]

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Challenge

minimise

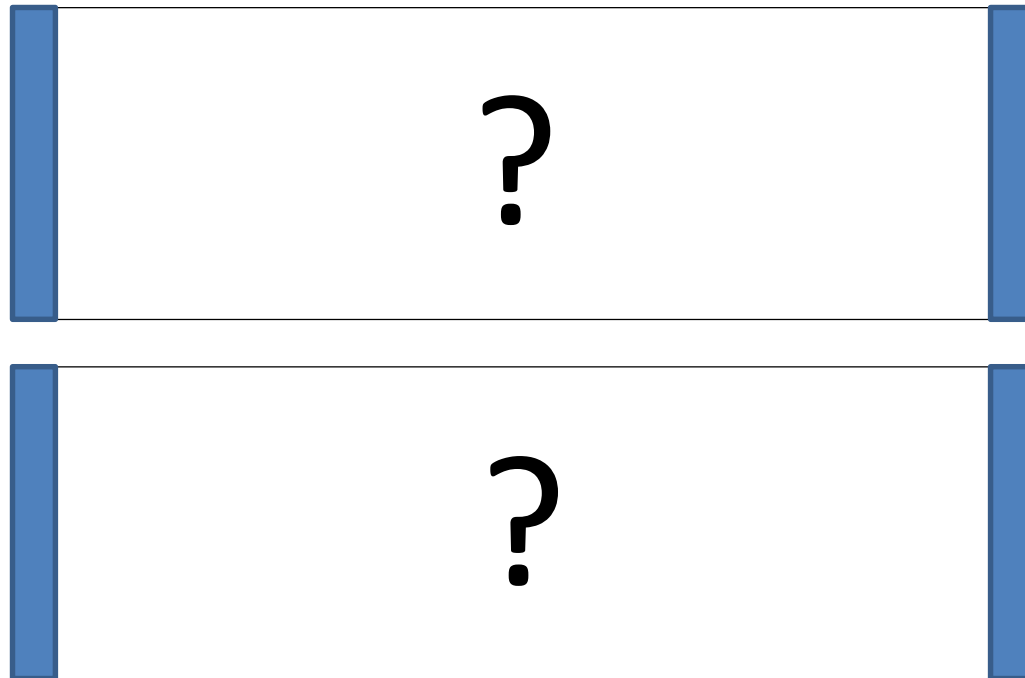
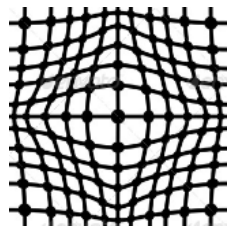
$$E_0(\Omega) = \int_{p \in \partial\Omega} \min_{q \in \partial X} D(N_\Omega(p), N_X(q))$$

local geometry

minimise

$$E_1(\Omega) = \int_{\partial\Omega} g \cdot u_g(\Omega) dx$$

rigidity



Gravity

Challenge

minimise

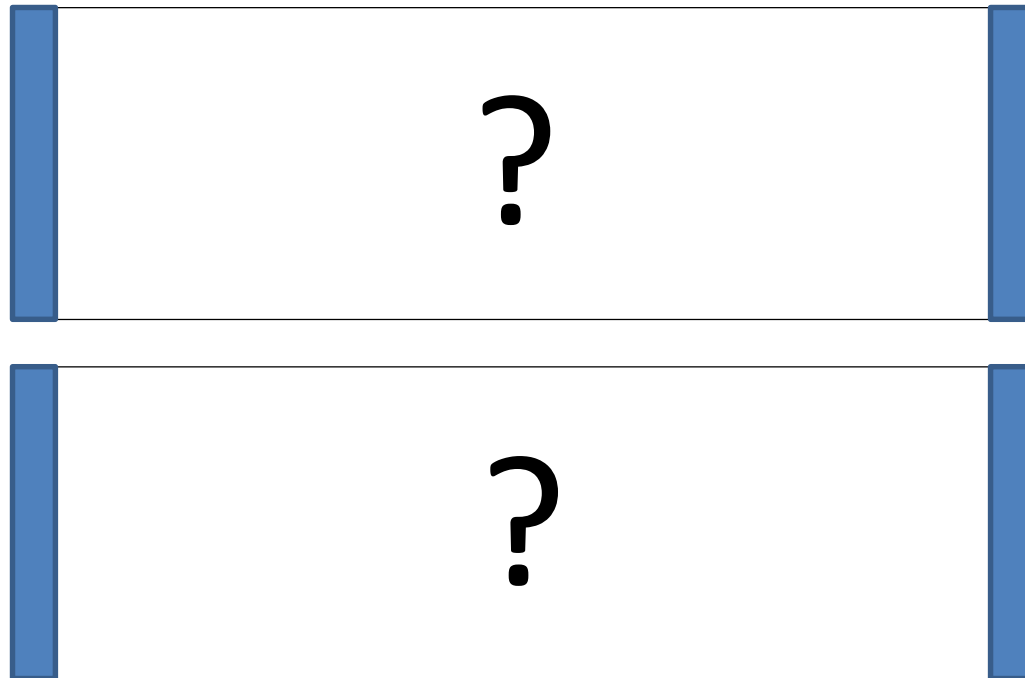
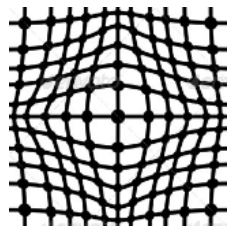
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local geometry

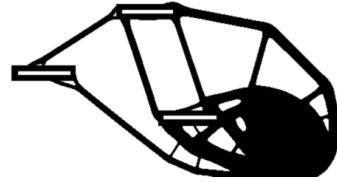
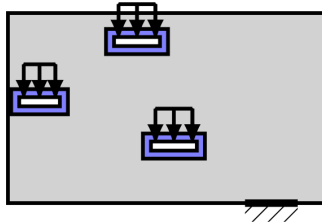
minimise

$$E_1(\Omega) = \int_{\partial\Omega} g \nu_g(\Omega) dx$$

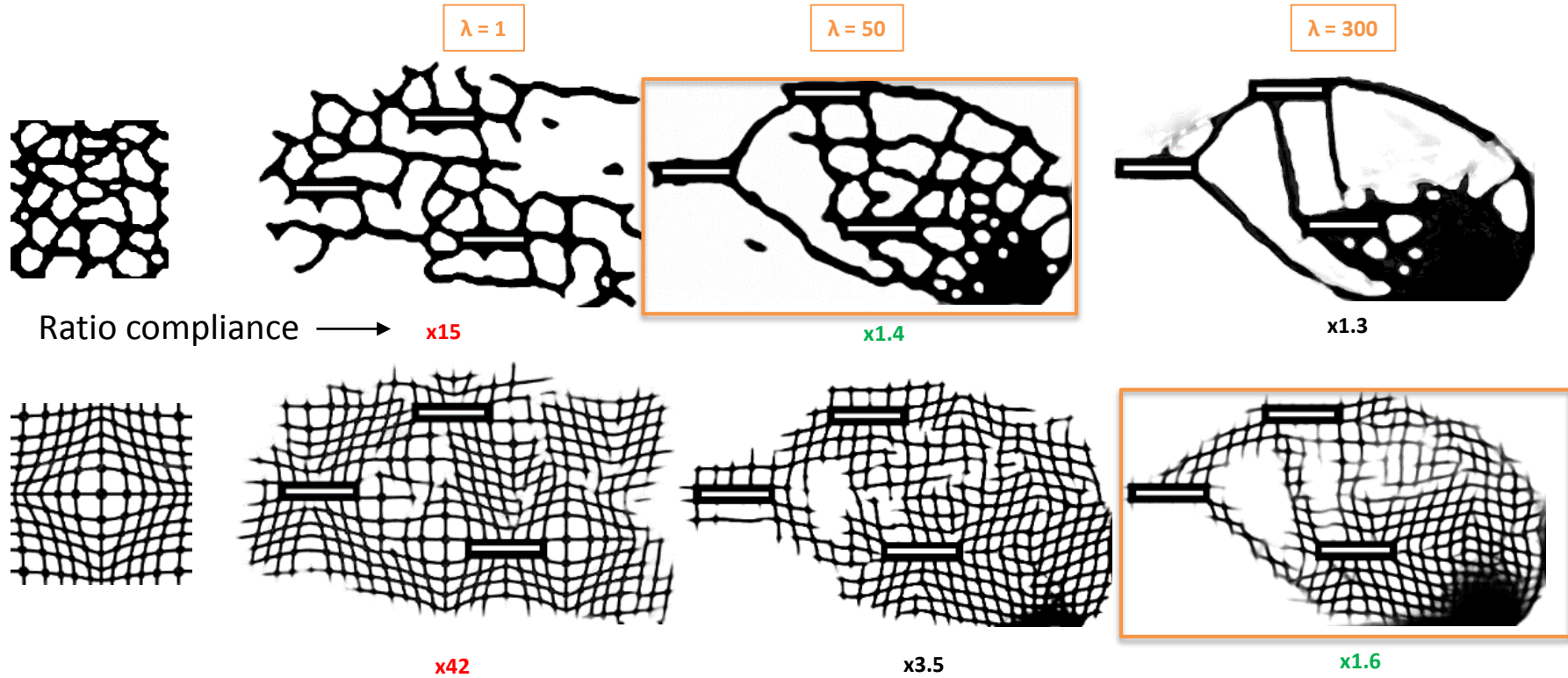
rigidity



Weighted sum



~~Minimize $G(x) + \lambda C(x)$~~



Appearance + rigidity

minimise


$$E_0(\Omega) = \int_{p \in \partial\Omega} \min_{q \in \partial X} D(N_\Omega(p), N_X(q))$$

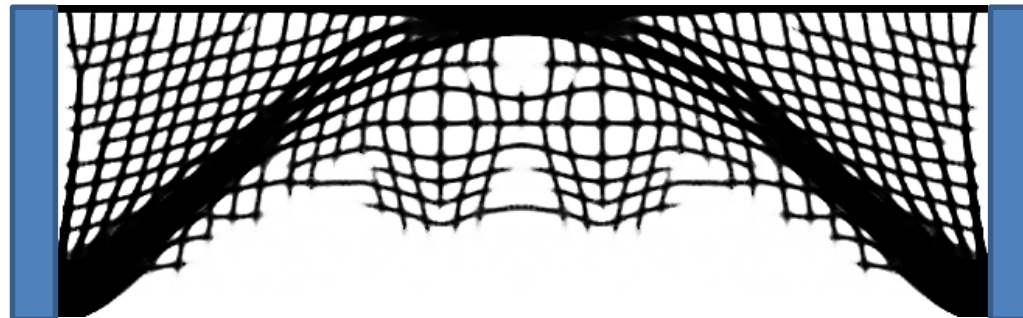
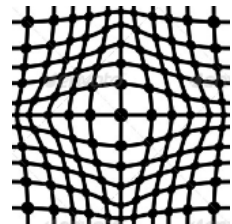
appearance

such that

$$E_1(\Omega) = \left(\int_{\partial\Omega} g \cdot u_g(\Omega) dx \right) < \alpha \cdot C_{\max}$$

rigidity





Gravity



Solver

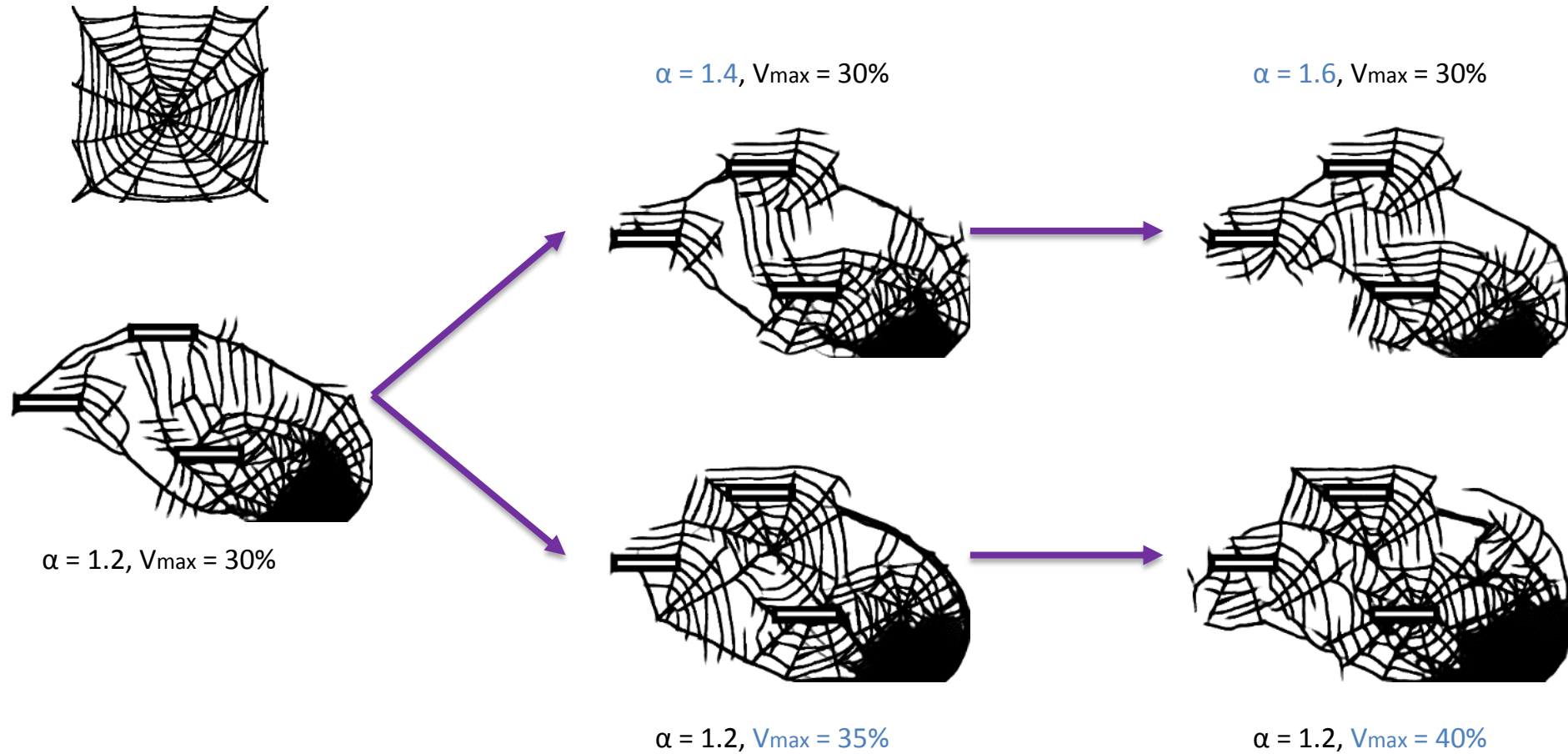
Not great due to combinatorial matching

The diagram consists of a table with three rows. The first row is highlighted in orange and contains the text 'Appearance objective' and '- Neighborhood matching [Barnes09, Busto10, Kaspar15]' and '- Derivatives $A(x)$ '. The second row is highlighted in blue and contains 'Compliance constraint' and '- Linear elasticity (FEM)' and '- Derivatives $C(x)$ '. The third row is also highlighted in blue and contains 'Volume constraint' and '- Derivatives $\text{sum}(x)$ '. A red arrow points down from the text 'Not great due to combinatorial matching' to the 'Neighborhood matching' text in the first row. Three purple arrows originate from the 'Derivatives' text in each row and converge into a single vertical arrow pointing down towards the text 'Gradient-based Optimization GCMMA [Svanberg95]'.

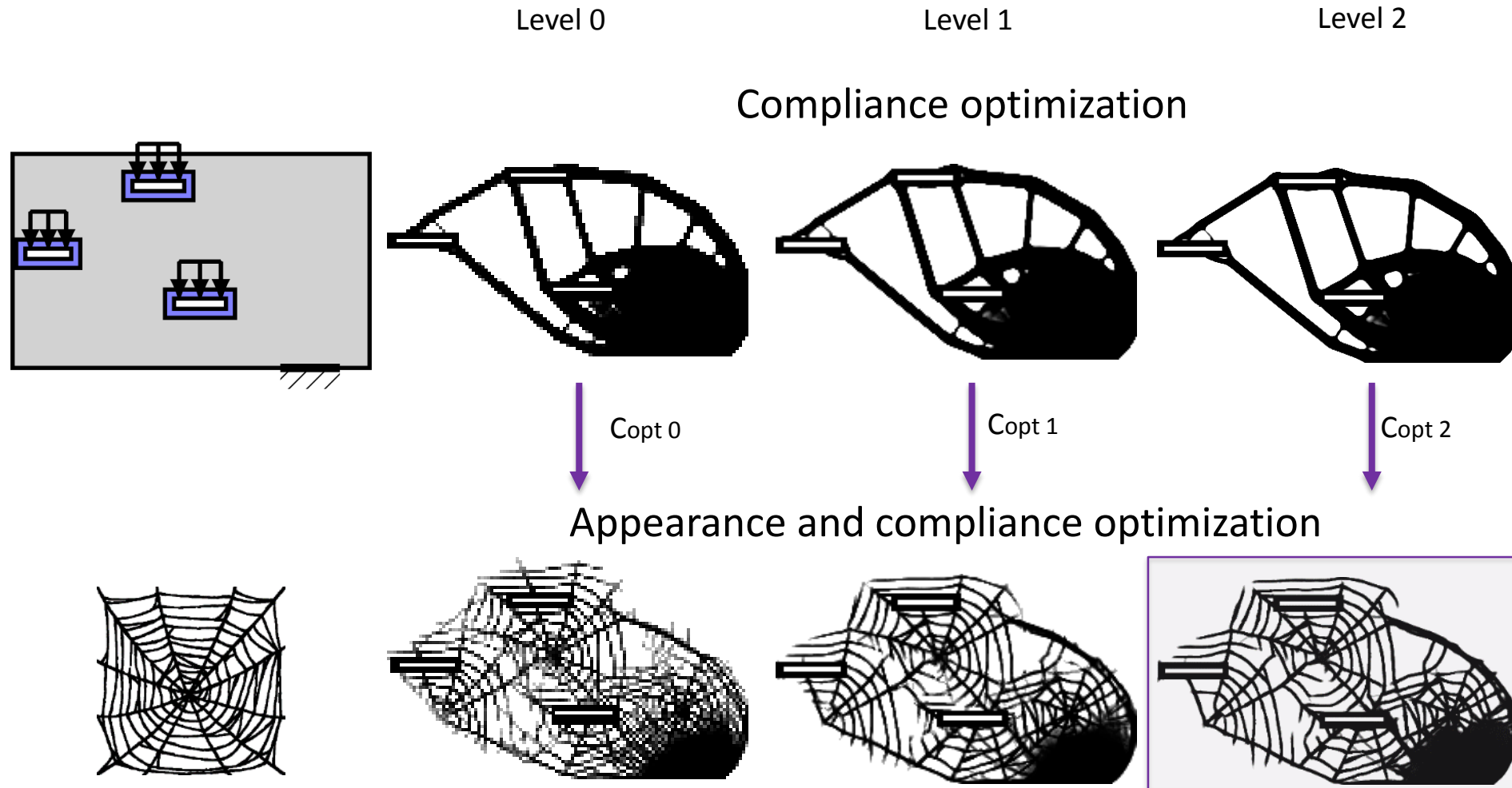
Appearance objective	- Neighborhood matching [Barnes09, Busto10, Kaspar15] - Derivatives $A(x)$
Compliance constraint	- Linear elasticity (FEM) - Derivatives $C(x)$
Volume constraint	- Derivatives $\text{sum}(x)$

Gradient-based Optimization
GCMMA [Svanberg95]

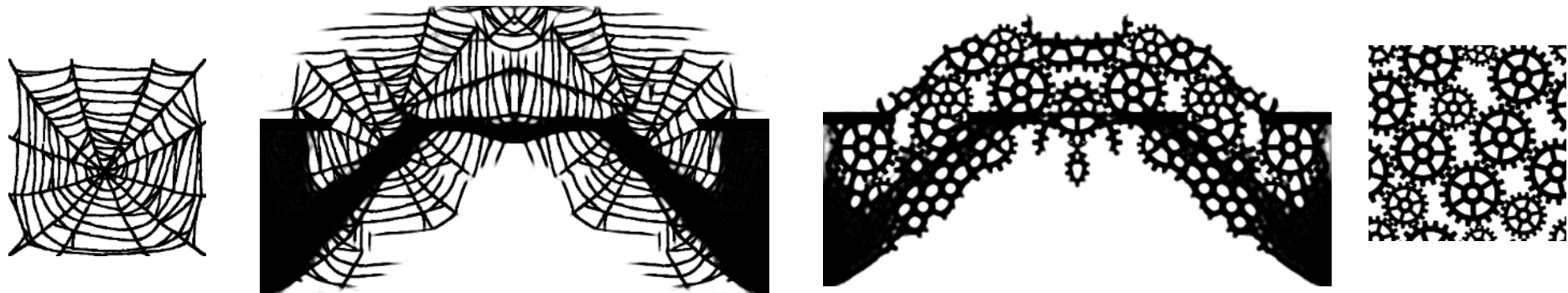
Compliance Relaxation



Multiresolution



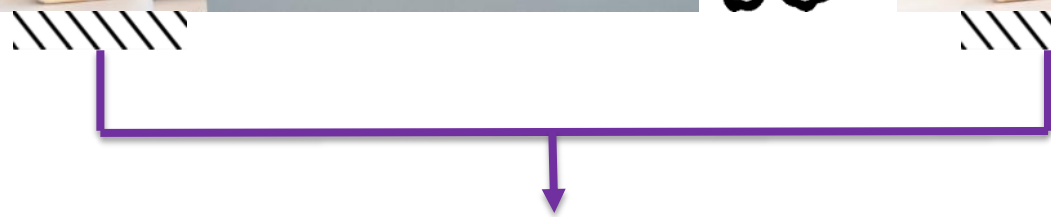
Fabricated Objects



Contour extraction



Fabricated Objects: Shelves



Floor attachment

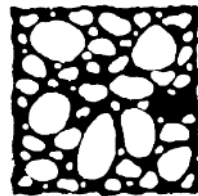
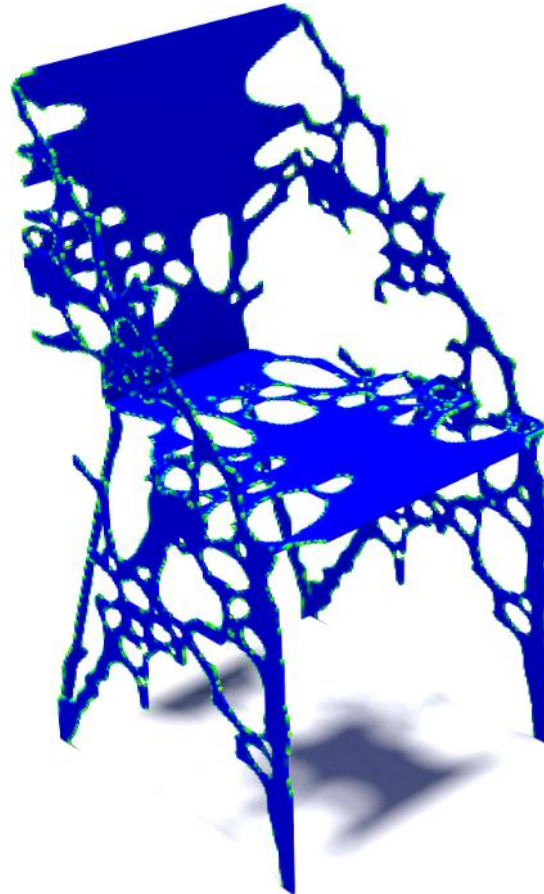
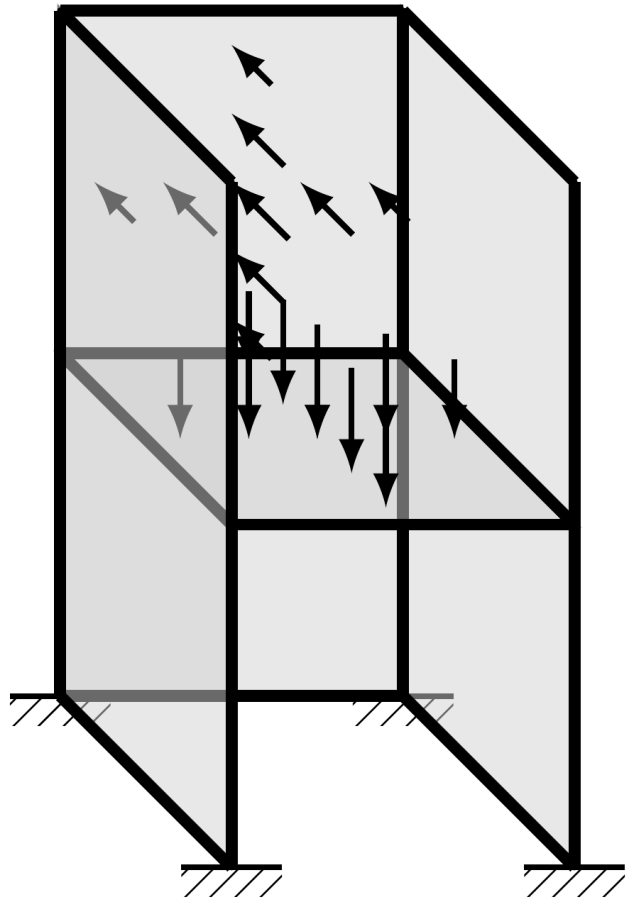
Fabricated Objects: Tables



Fabricated Objects: Phone Stands



3D Structures



Fabricated Objects: Chairs



Texture Synthesis

- Three main directions

- By-example synthesis

- Procedural synthesis

- Simulation (e.g. erosion)



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Foams in nature



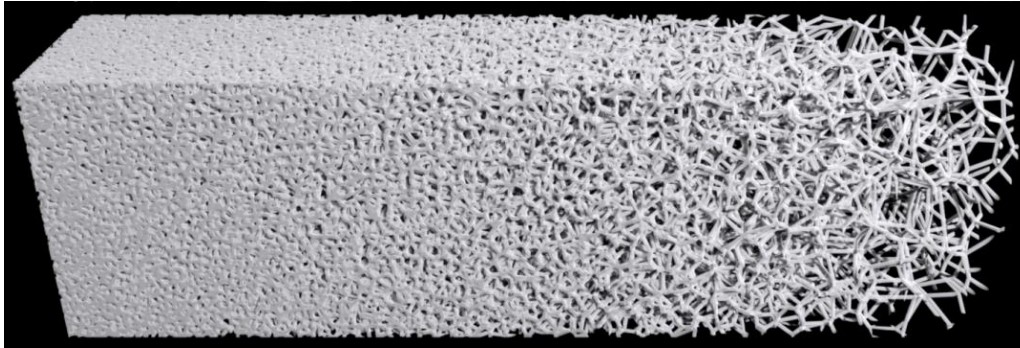
Coral reef



Metallic foam (chemical reaction)

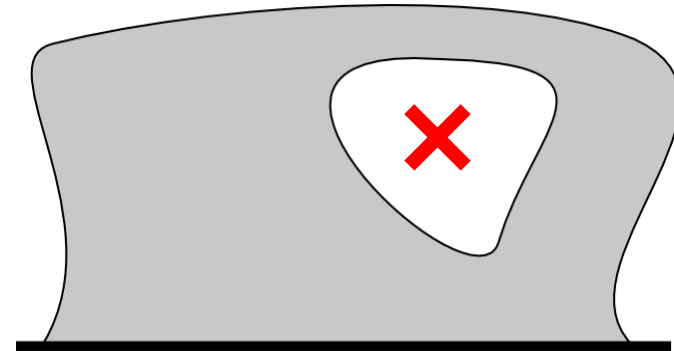
Challenges: scale, fabricability, mechanical properties

- Data size

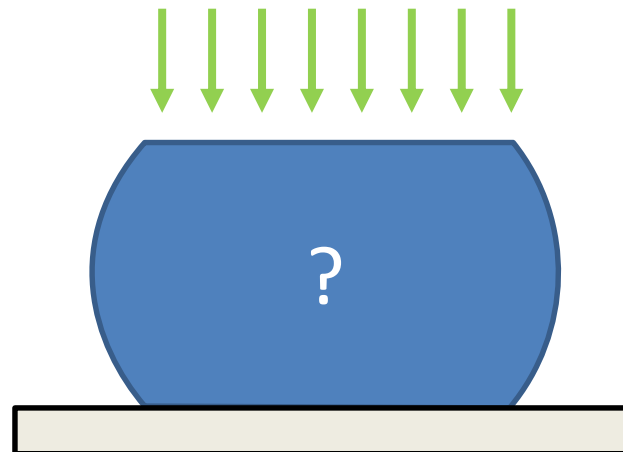


4 GB (.ply)

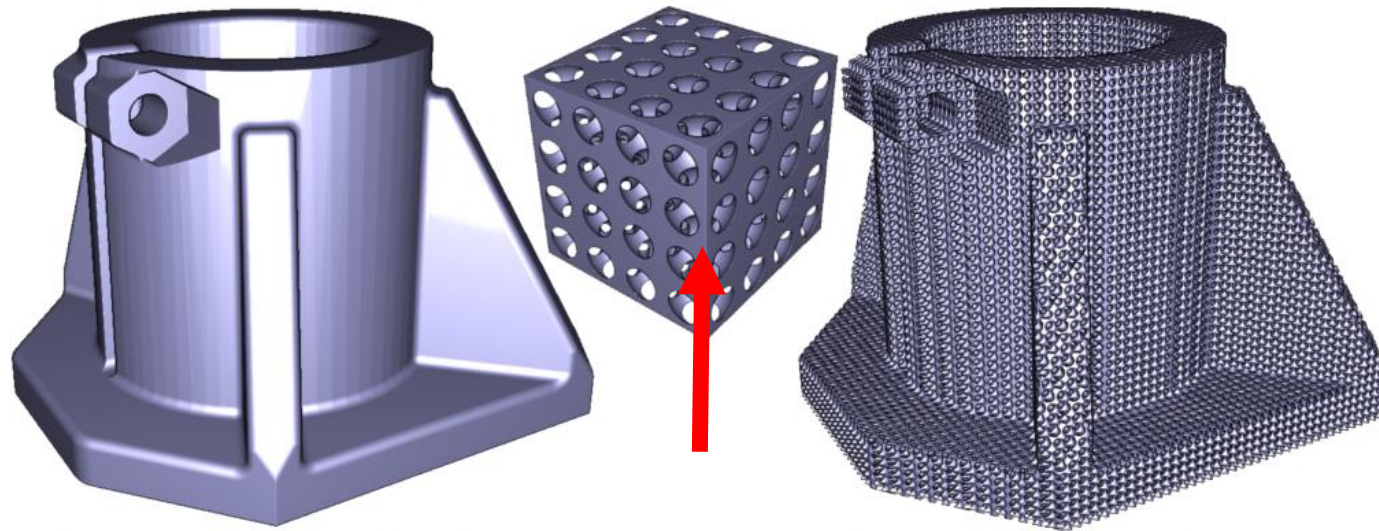
- Fabrication



- Mechanical properties

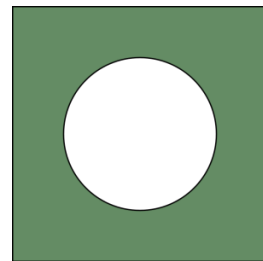
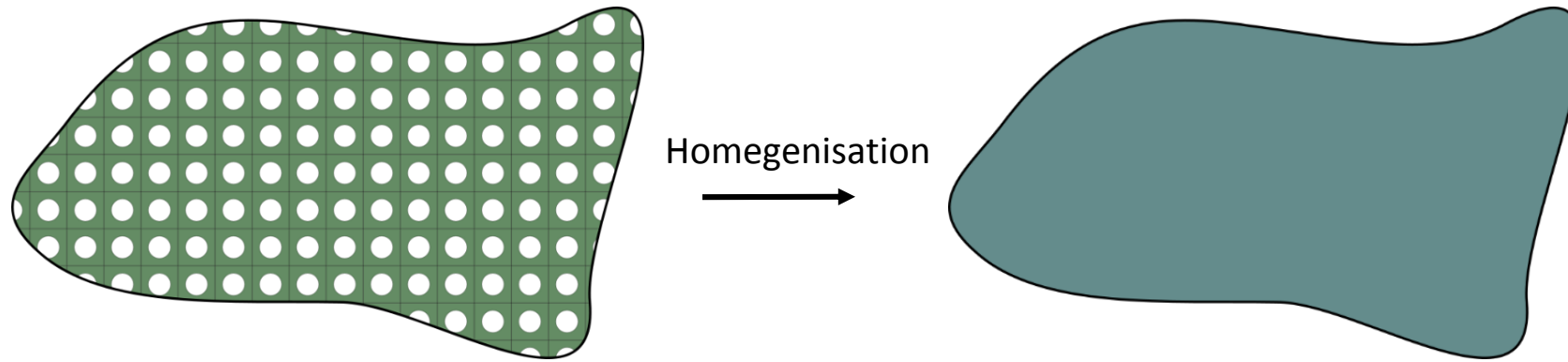


Standard approach: periodic structures

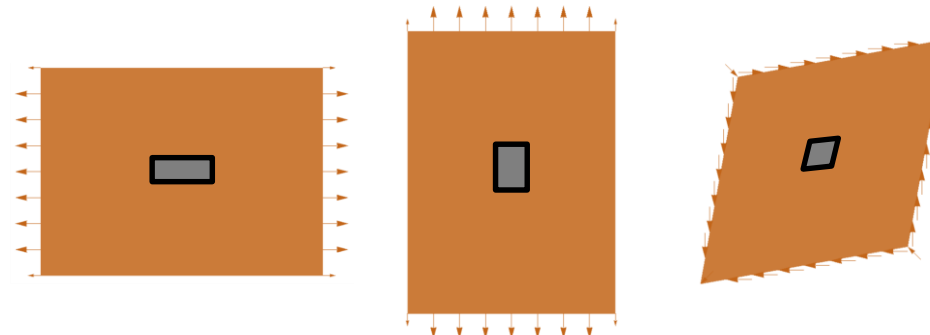


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float distanceEstimator(vec3 p)
{
    const float diameter = 1.0;
    p = p / diameter;
    float d = length(p-ivec3(floor(p))-vec3(0.5,0.5,0.5))-0.6;
    return -d*diameter;
}
]])
```


Homogenisation

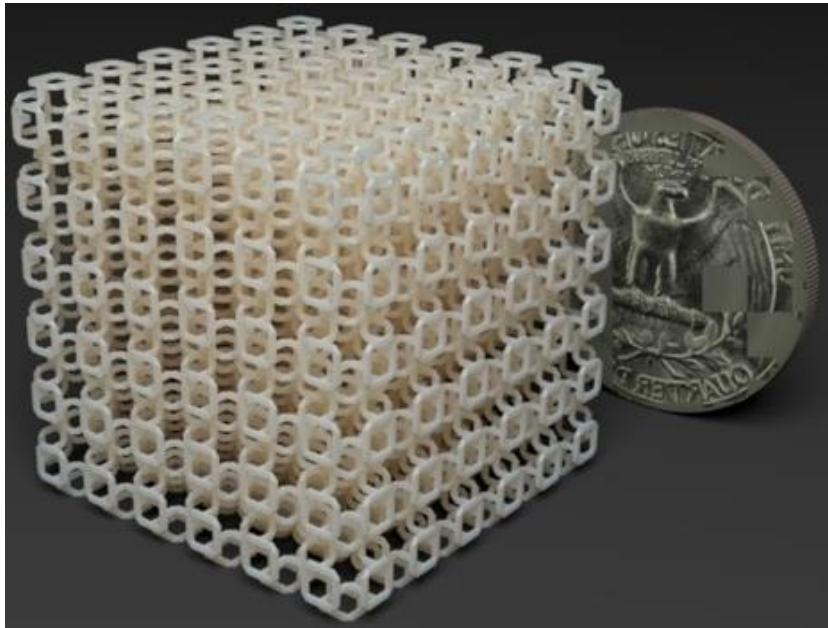


Representative
Volume Element (**RVE**)

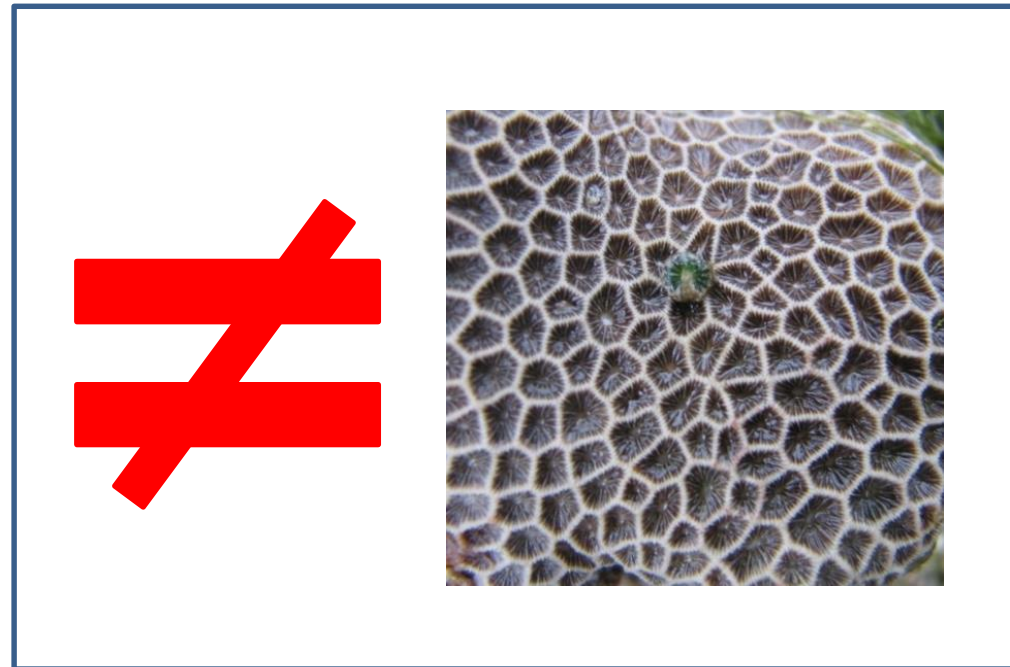


Homogenized elasticity tensor
[Andreassen and Andreassen 2014]

Drawbacks

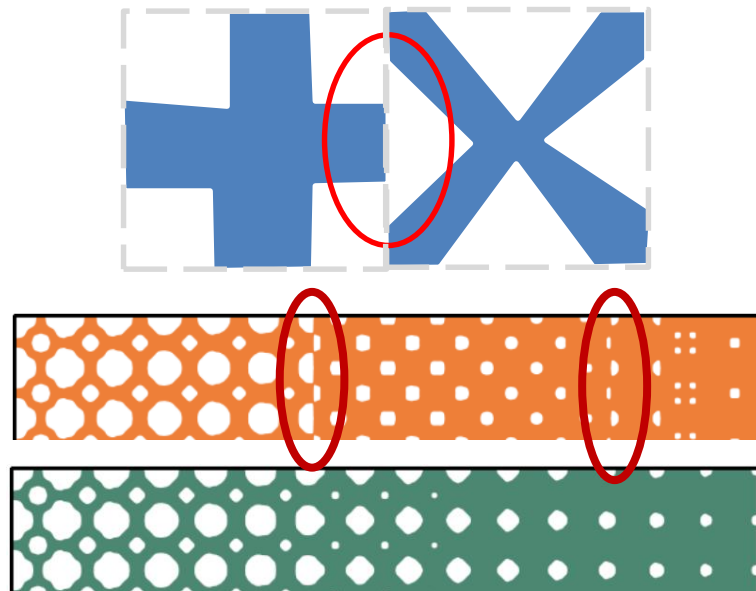


[Pannetta et al. SIGGRAPH 2015]

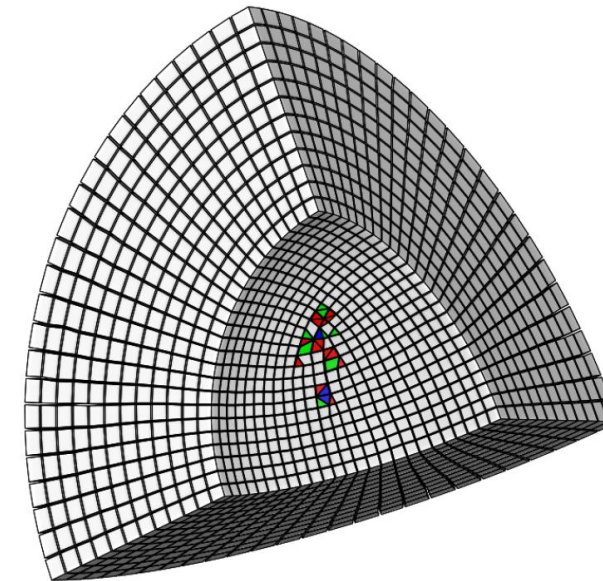
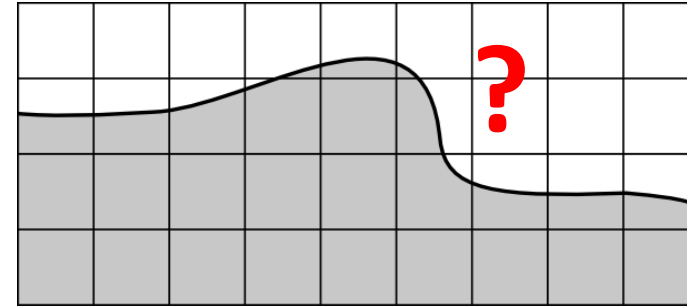


Periodic grid

- Mapping?
 - Hard problem
- Graded properties:
 - Possible, but transitions?



[Schumacher et al. SIGGRAPH 2015]



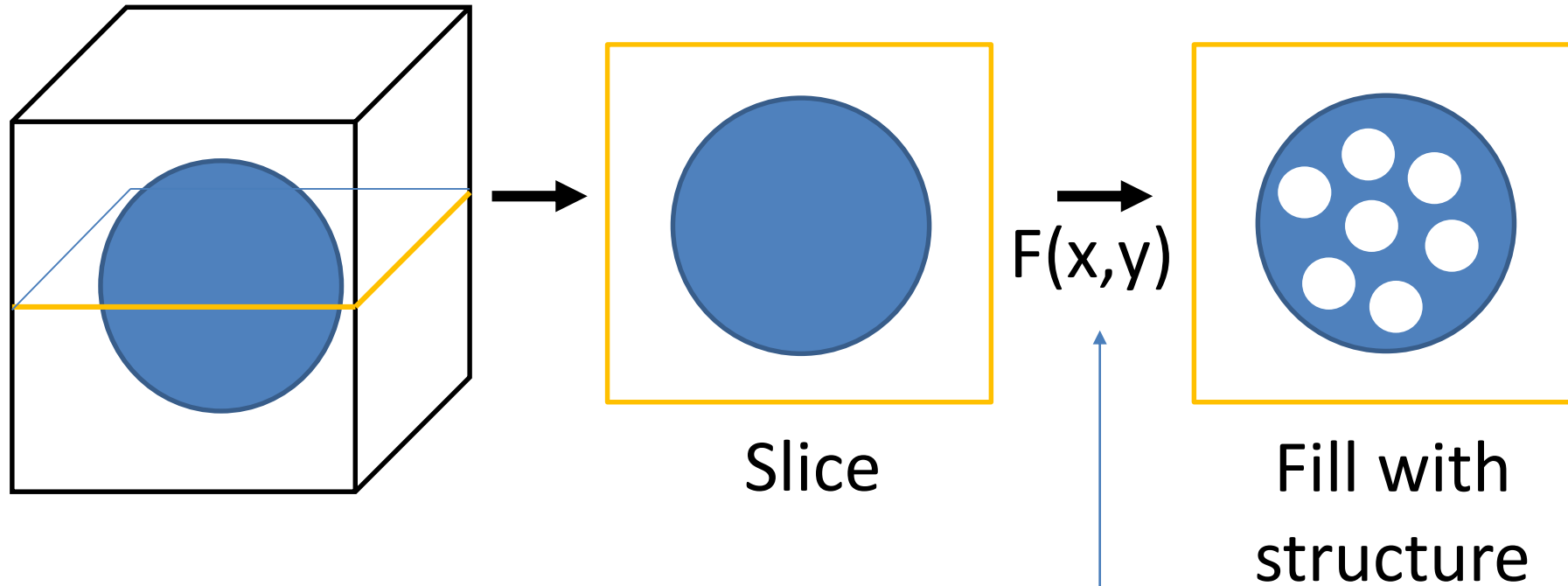
Hexahedral-dominant meshing
[Sokolov et al. 2015]

Procedural Voronoi Foams

- **Aperiodic, stochastic, stationary**
Mimics nature.
- **Trivially scales.**
 $O(1)$ time + memory.
- **Fabricable.**
Few pockets, connected, thickness ok.
- ***Controllable elasticity***



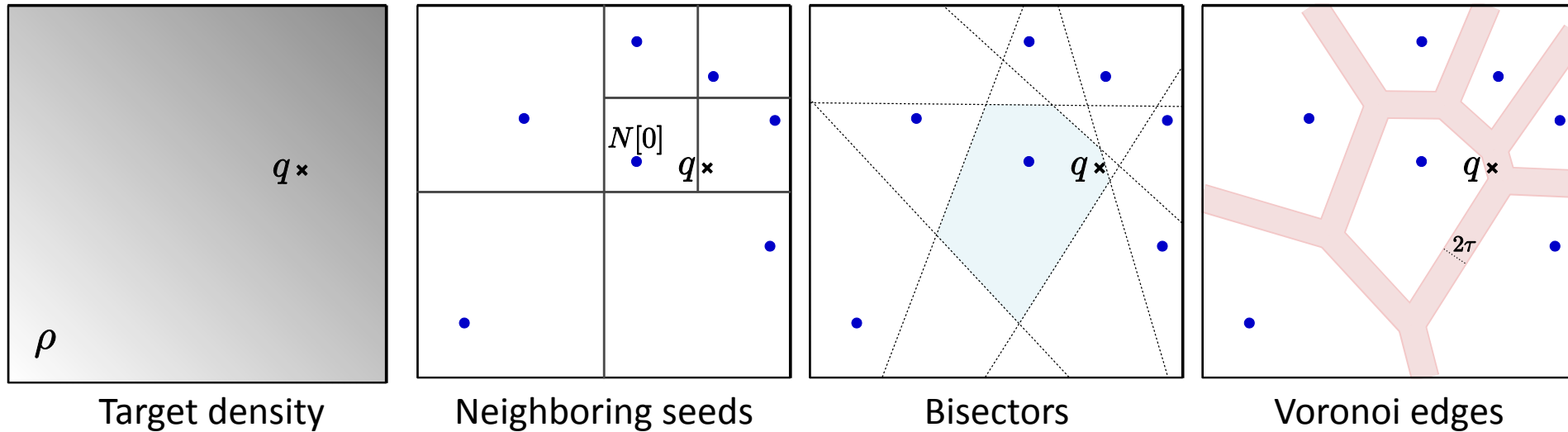
Procedural synthesis



$F(x,y)$ called in every slice 'pixel'

Procedural synthesis

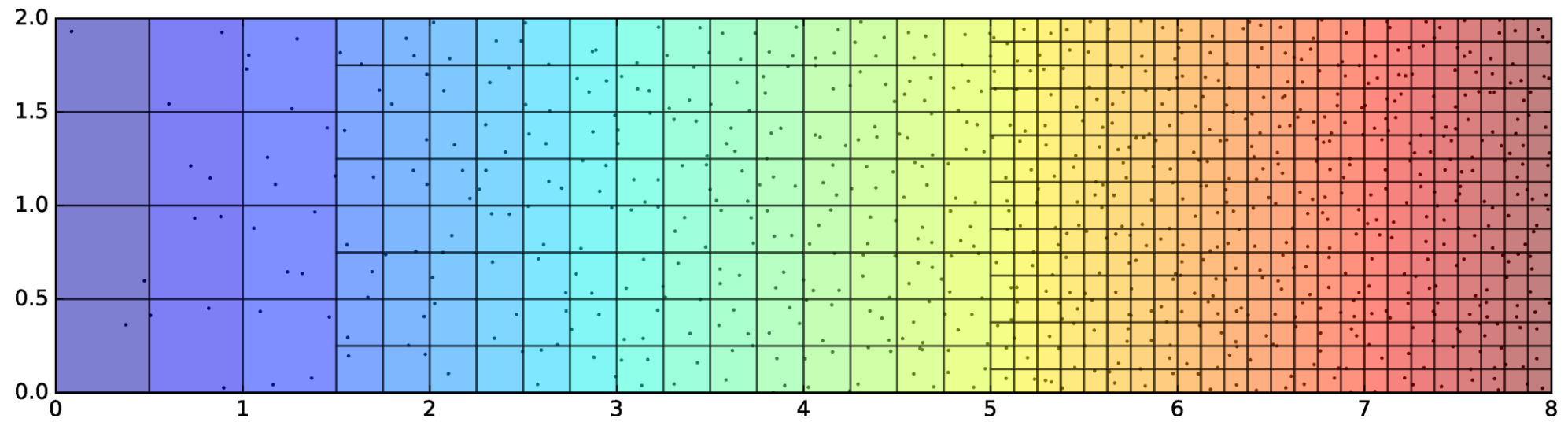
$F(x,y)$: is $q=(x,y)$ inside?



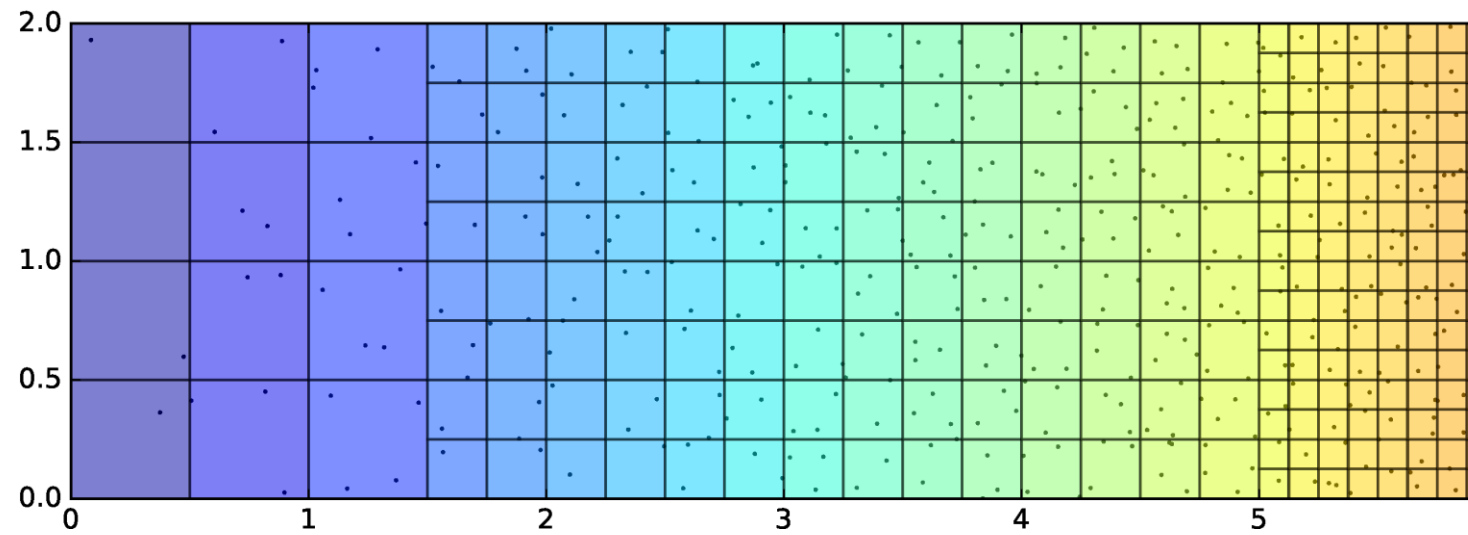
Local computations, $O(1)$

Trivially parallel (GPU)




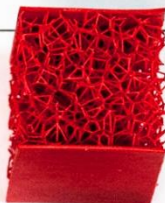



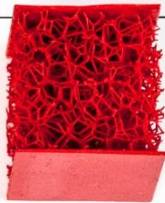
Gradation (stackless)



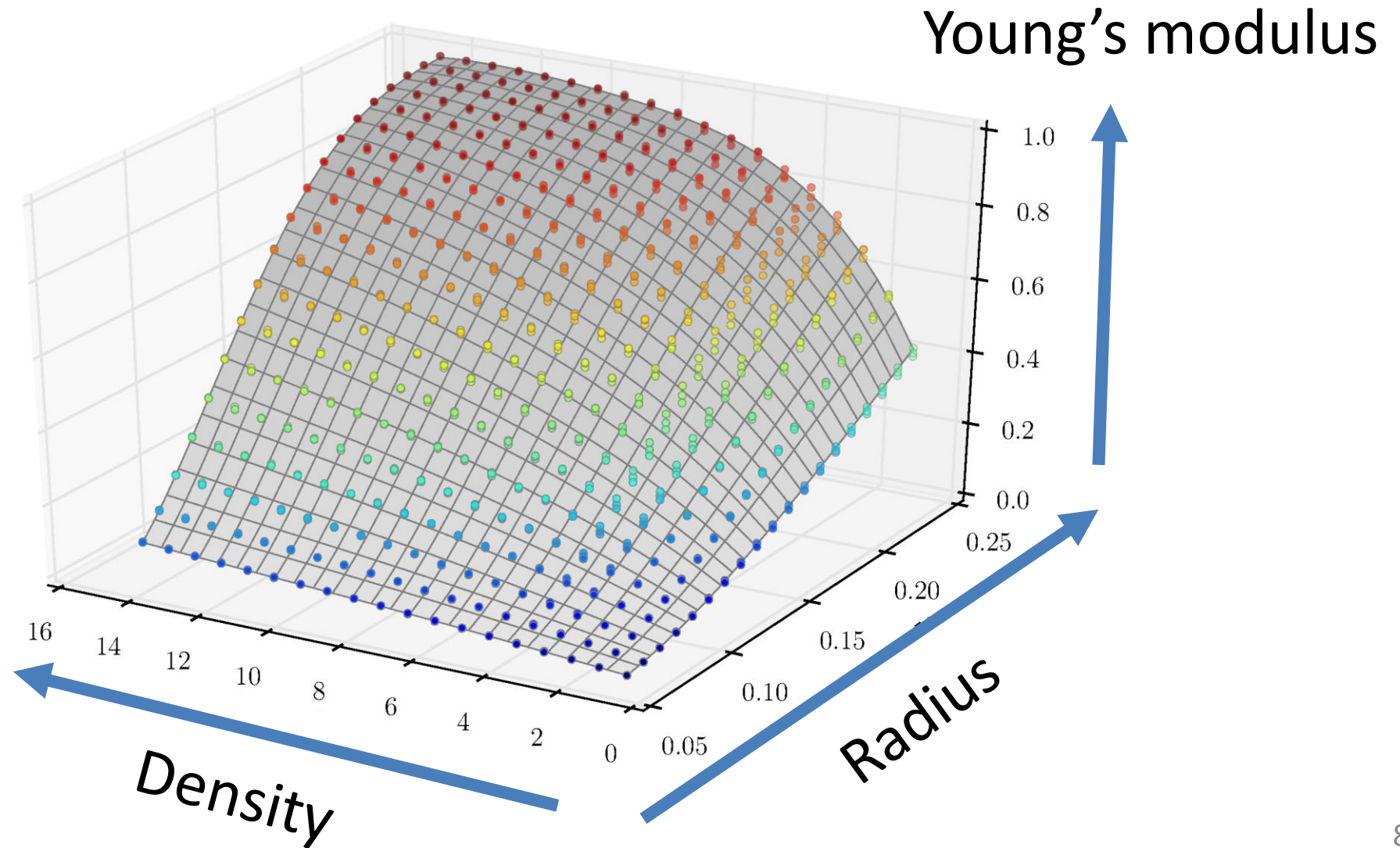
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Elasticity control

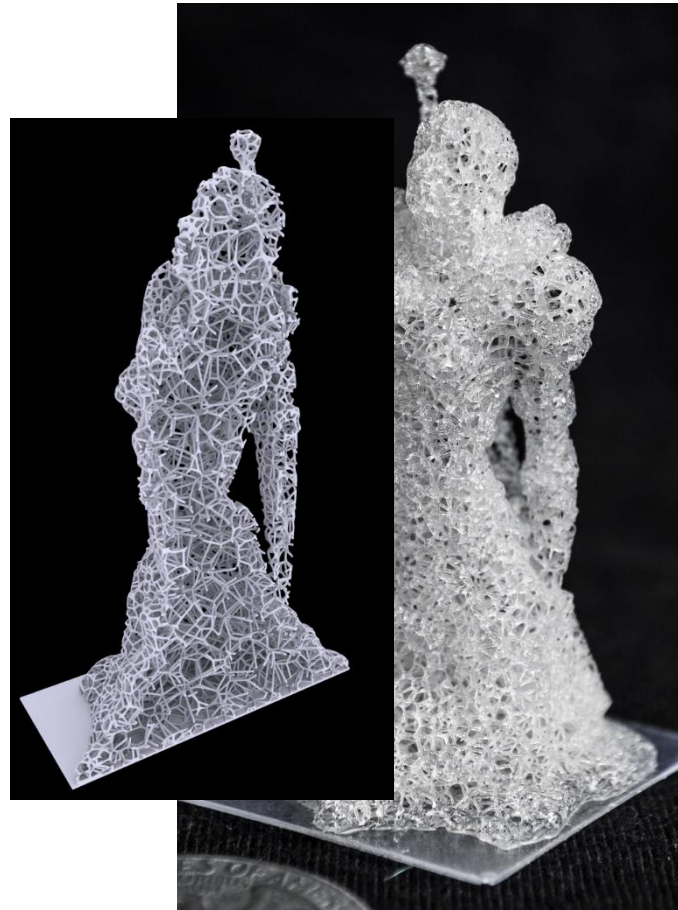
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Family 1				
Density	0.0097	0.0168	0.0250	0.0332

Homogenisation



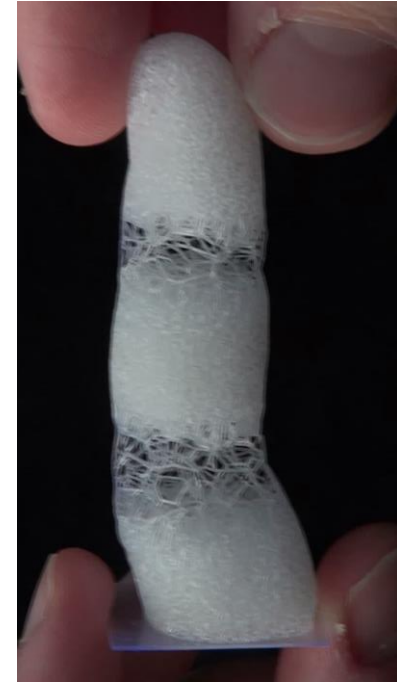
- Results

Crusty Knight



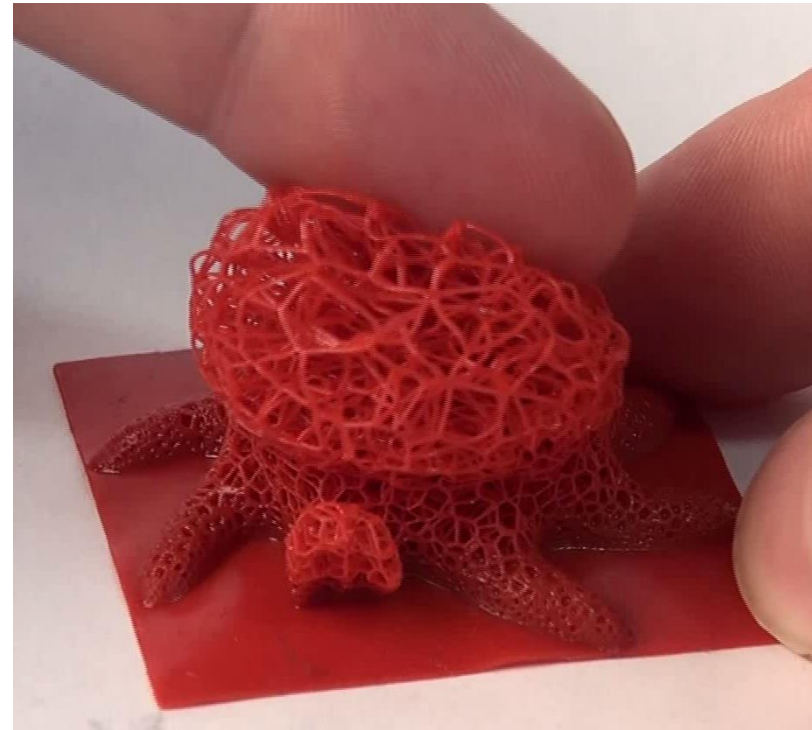
- Results

Articulated Finger



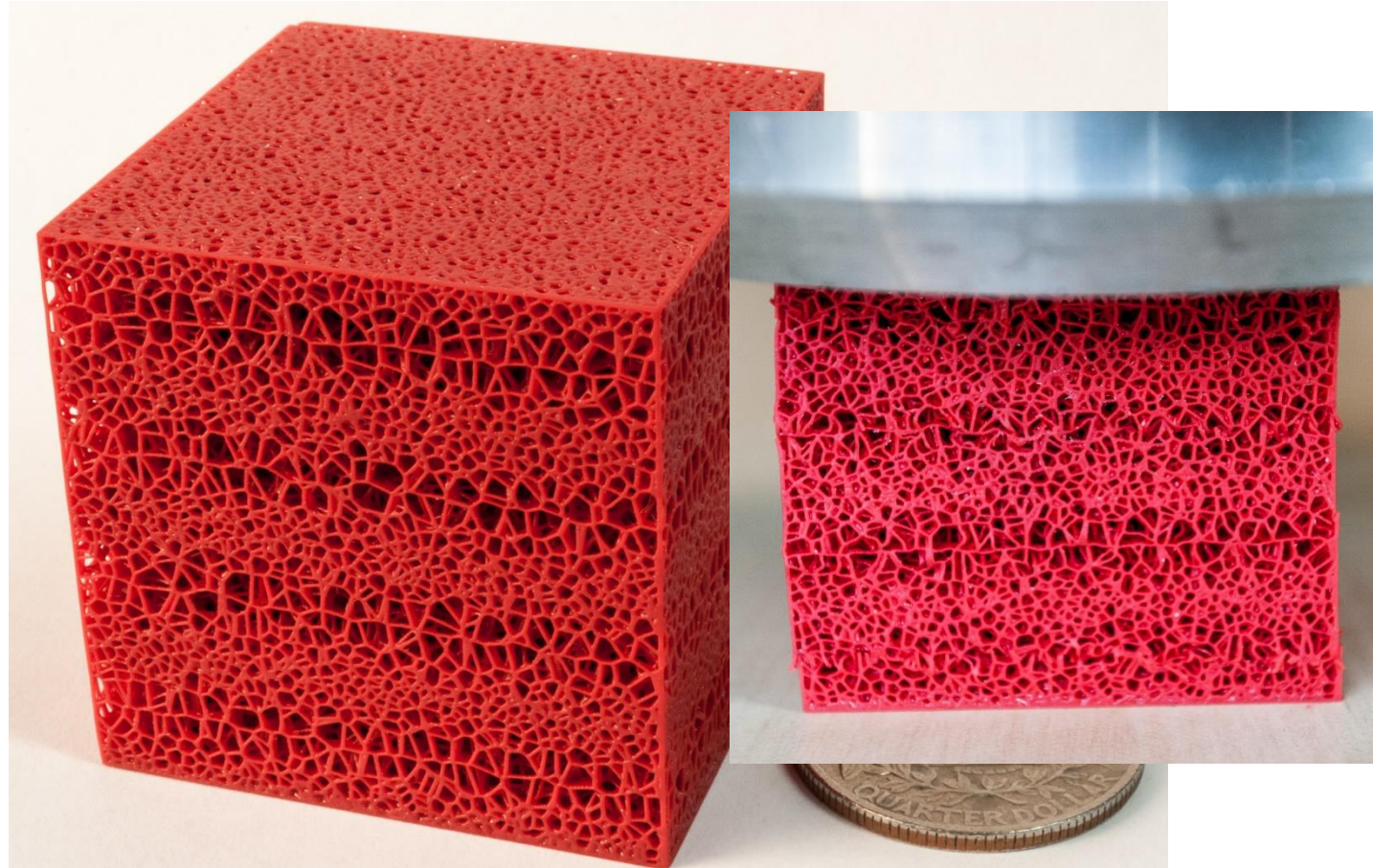
Cute Octopus

- Results



- Results

Anisotropy



Performances

Example		Extent (mm)	# Voxels	Volume	% Filtered	Time per slice (ms)
Moomin	fig. 1	$26.7 \times 40.8 \times 51.9$	$534 \times 815 \times 1038$	6.44%	0.005%	68.34
Ellipsoid	fig. 13	$30.9 \times 30.9 \times 41.1$	$617 \times 617 \times 822$	6.30%	0.001%	37.28
Knight	fig. 14	$26.1 \times 30.0 \times 50.55$	$521 \times 600 \times 1011$	12.50%	0.023%	20.25
Finger	fig. 15	$25.0 \times 23.25 \times 70.5$	$500 \times 465 \times 1410$	23.35%	0.006%	28.03
SIGGRAPH logo	fig. 16	$20.0 \times 40.0 \times 80.0$	$400 \times 800 \times 1600$	5.73%	0.003%	69.18
Half-dome	fig. 17	$25.0 \times 50.0 \times 25.0$	$500 \times 1000 \times 500$	19.49%	0.025%	71.22
Octopus	fig. 18	$41.7 \times 41.1 \times 28.8$	$833 \times 822 \times 576$	17.27%	0.009%	150.22
Anisotropic cube	fig. 19	$40.0 \times 40.0 \times 40.0$	$800 \times 800 \times 800$	26.86%	0.005%	113.52
Forest dragon	fig. 20	$770.1 \times 990.7 \times 961.7$	$15402 \times 19814 \times 19234$	N/A	N/A	1666.91



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Topology Optimization for Computational Fabrication

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Abstract

Additive manufacturing (AM) and topology optimization (TO) form a pair of complementary techniques in transforming digital models into physical replicas: AM enables a cost-effective fabrication of geometrically complex shapes, while TO provides a powerful design methodology for generating optimized models, which are typically complex from a geometric perspective. The potential of both techniques has recently been explored in graphics, resulting in fantastic applications especially regarding structural and aesthetic properties of fabricated models. In this tutorial, we start from the fundamentals of AM and TO, and proceed to advanced TO techniques which steer the optimization process, i.e., taking into account the manufacturing as well as aesthetic appearance.
