

# Differential Geometry for Mesh Generation I

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# Unstructured surface mesh generation



## Motivation for Meshing

Surface mesh generation plays a fundamental role in many engineering and medical fields, specially CAD, CAE and CAM fields. Despite tens of years of intensive research, there are still remain many challenges.

## Central Challenges

- 1 How to generate high quality meshes on surfaces with complicated topologies and geometric features?
- 2 How to generate anisotropic meshes?
- 3 How to generate structured quadrilateral meshes (hexahedral meshes for solids)?

# Planar Mesh Generation

## Planar Mesh Generation

Mesh generation on planar domain is relatively mature. There are many existing algorithms can produce good quality meshes, such as Delaunay refinement algorithm, Chew's second algorithm ( $30^\circ$ ), Ruppert's algorithm ( $20.7^\circ$ ), Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation algorithm and so on. These algorithms can guarantee the minimal angle has specific lower bounds.

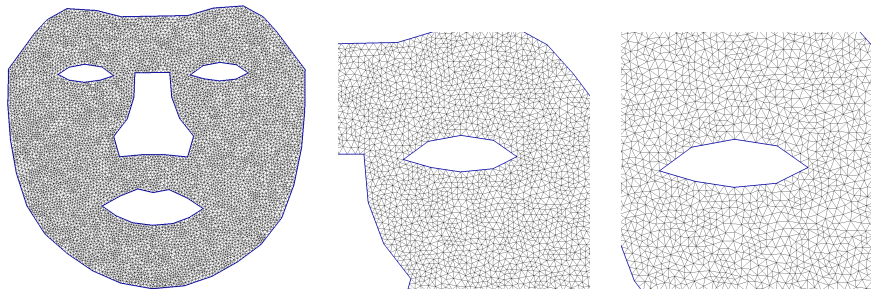


Figure: Ruppert's Delaunay refinement algorithm.

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Surfaces generation is much more difficult due to their complicated topologies and geometries. There are still many theoretic problems, open for tens of years.

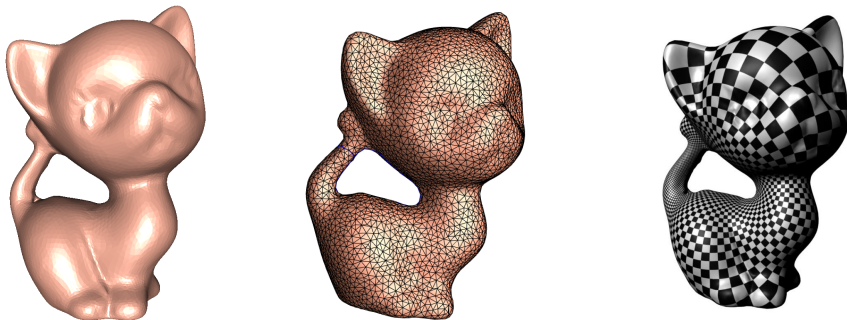


Figure: Meshing for a kitten model.

## Problem (Surface Meshing)

*How to generate high quality triangle meshes on surfaces with complicated topology and geometry ?*

## Key Idea

Find a special diffeomorphism  $\varphi : (S, \mathbf{g}) \rightarrow \Omega$  maps the 3D surface onto a planar domain, and converts the 3D meshing problem to a 2D planar meshing problem.

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Figure: 3D meshing problems are converted to 2D meshing ones.

# Special Mappings

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- Angle preserving maps: keep the minimal angles;
- Area preserving maps: keep the grading;
- impossible to keep both, otherwise it is isometric.

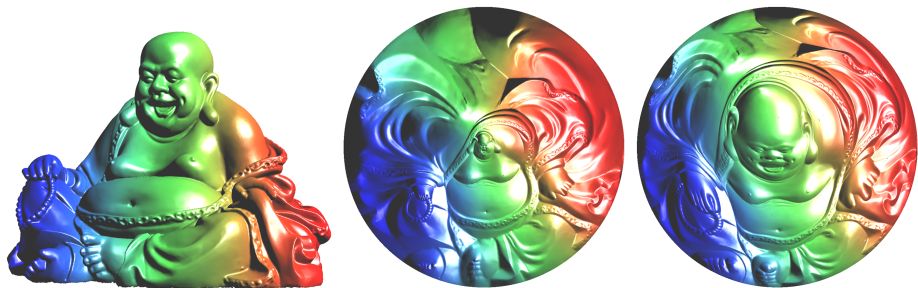


Figure: Conformal and optimal transport maps.

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- Both can not be solved using conventional FEM;
- Both can be solved using geometric variational methods;
- Both do not require good initial meshes.

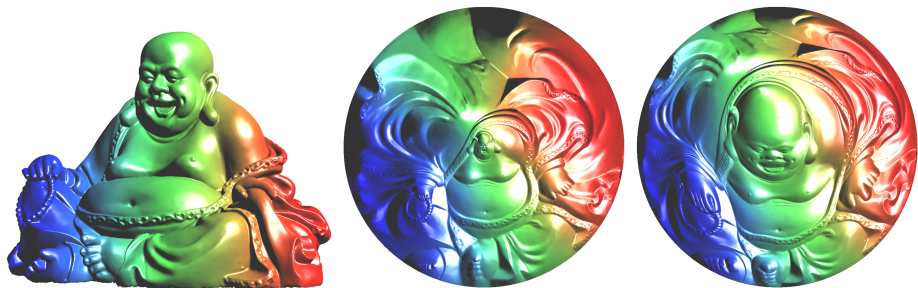


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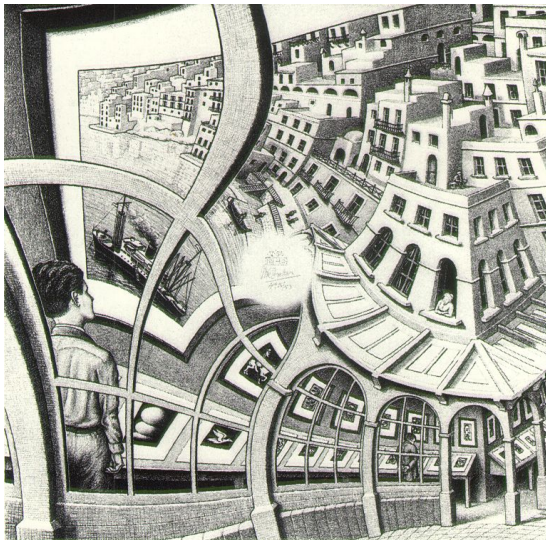


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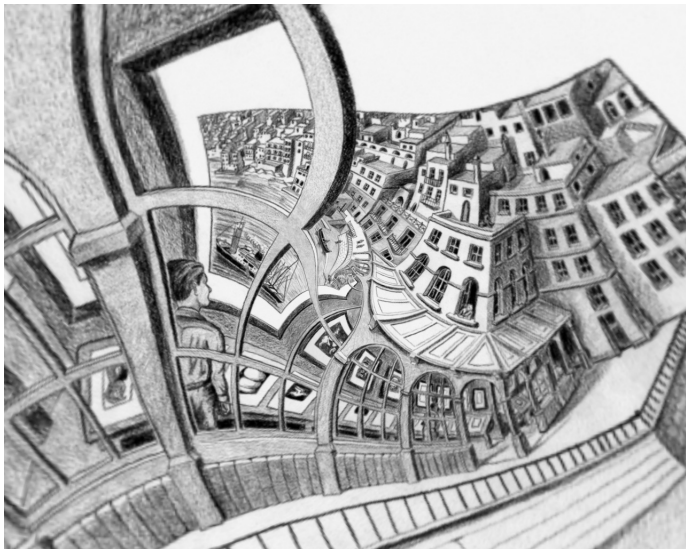


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Figure: Planar conformal map, local shape preserving.

# Biholomorphic Function

## Definition (holomorphic Function)

Suppose a complex function  $f : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $f : z \mapsto w$  is holomorphic, if it satisfies the Cauchy-Riemann equation:

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}.$$

where  $z = x + iy$  and  $w = u + iv$ . If  $f$  is invertible, and  $f^{-1}$  is also holomorphic, then  $f$  is biholomorphic.

Planar conformal maps are biholomorphic functions.

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# Conformal Mapping

## Definition (Conformal Mapping)

Suppose  $\varphi : (S, \mathbf{g}) \rightarrow (T, \mathbf{h})$  is a  $C^1$  mapping, if the pull back metric  $\varphi^*\mathbf{h}$  satisfies the condition

$$\varphi^*\mathbf{h} = e^{2\lambda}\mathbf{g},$$

where  $\lambda : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is the conformal factor, then  $\varphi$  is a conformal map.

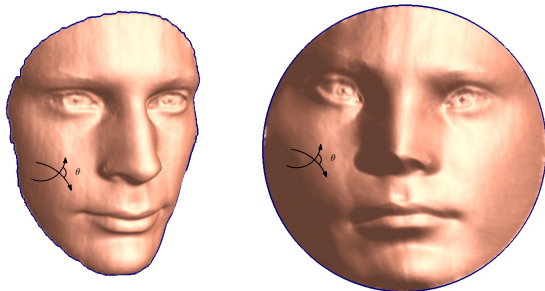


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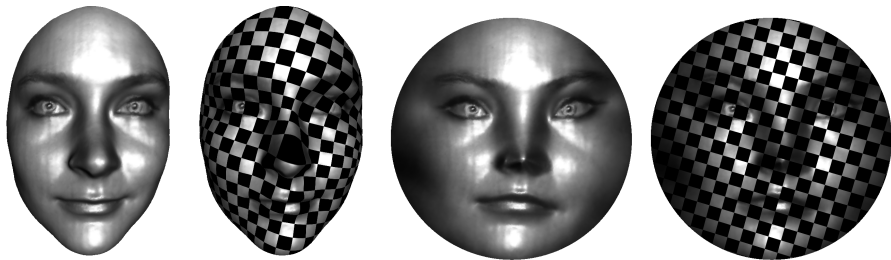


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# Disk Harmonic Maps

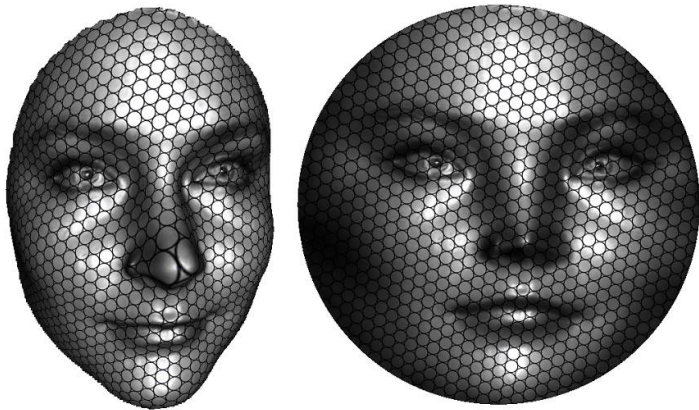


Figure: Harmonic map between topological disks.



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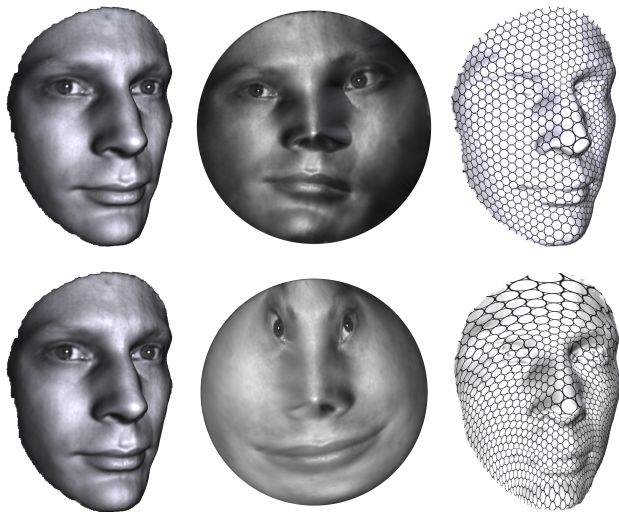


Figure: Infinitesimal circle preserving property.

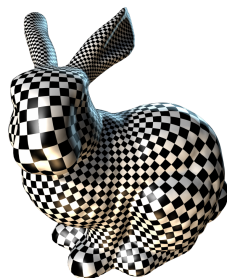
# Discrete Surface Ricci Flow

Relation between conformal structure and Riemannian metric

## Isothermal Coordinates

A surface  $\Sigma$  with a Riemannian metric  $\mathbf{g}$ , a local coordinate system  $(u, v)$  is an isothermal coordinate system, if

$$\mathbf{g} = e^{2\lambda(u,v)}(du^2 + dv^2).$$



## Gaussian Curvature

Under the isothermal coordinates, the Riemannian metric is  $\mathbf{g} = e^{2\lambda(u,v)}(du^2 + dv^2)$ , then the Gaussian curvature on interior points are

$$K = -\Delta_{\mathbf{g}}\lambda = -\frac{1}{e^{2\lambda}}\Delta\lambda,$$

where

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial u^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial v^2}$$

# Conformal Metric Deformation

## Definition

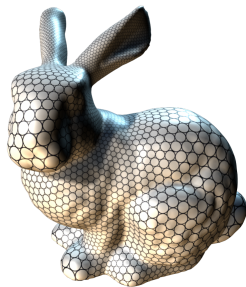
Suppose  $\Sigma$  is a surface with a Riemannian metric,

$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose  $\lambda : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function defined on the surface, then  $e^{2\lambda}\mathbf{g}$  is also a Riemannian metric on  $\Sigma$  and called a **conformal metric**.  $\lambda$  is called the conformal factor.

$$\mathbf{g} \rightarrow e^{2\lambda}\mathbf{g}$$

Conformal metric deformation.



Angles are invariant measured by conformal metrics.

## Yamabi Equation

Suppose  $\bar{\mathbf{g}} = e^{2\lambda}\mathbf{g}$  is a conformal metric on the surface, then the Gaussian curvature on interior points are

$$\bar{K} = e^{-2\lambda}(-\Delta_{\mathbf{g}}\lambda + K),$$

geodesic curvature on the boundary

$$\bar{k}_g = e^{-\lambda}(-\partial_n\lambda + k_g).$$

## Theorem (Poincaré Uniformization Theorem)

*Let  $(\Sigma, \mathbf{g})$  be a compact 2-dimensional Riemannian manifold. Then there is a metric  $\tilde{\mathbf{g}} = e^{2\lambda}\mathbf{g}$  conformal to  $\mathbf{g}$  which has constant Gauss curvature.*

# Surface Uniformization

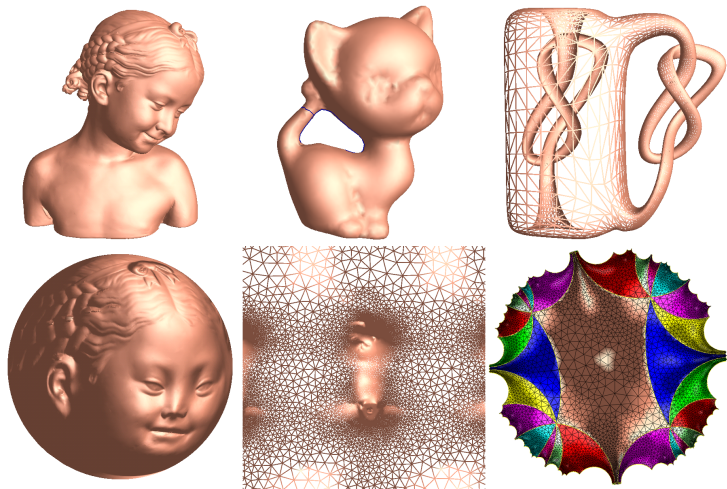


Figure: Closed surface uniformization.



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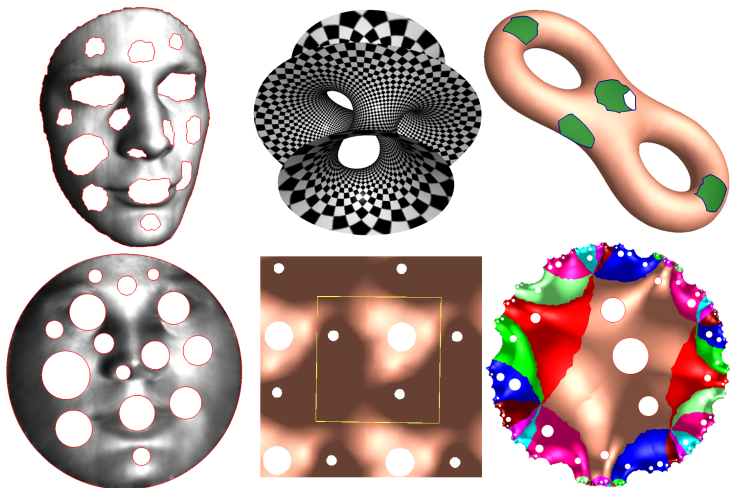


Figure: Open surface uniformization.

## Proposition

During the curvature flow  $\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = -K$ , then

$$\frac{d}{dt}K = 2K^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{g}}K.$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{dt}K &= \frac{d}{dt}(-e^{-2\lambda}\Delta\lambda) \\ &= -\left(-2\frac{d\lambda}{dt}\right)e^{-2\lambda}\Delta\lambda - e^{-2\lambda}\Delta\frac{d\lambda}{dt} \\ &= \left(-2\frac{d\lambda}{dt}\right)\boxed{-e^{-2\lambda}\Delta\lambda} - \boxed{e^{-2\lambda}\Delta}\frac{d\lambda}{dt} \\ &= \left(-2\frac{d\lambda}{dt}\right)K - \Delta_{\mathbf{g}}\frac{d\lambda}{dt} \\ &= 2K^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{g}}K\end{aligned}$$

## Key Idea

$$K = -\Delta_{\mathbf{g}}\lambda,$$

Roughly speaking,

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}\Delta_{\mathbf{g}}\lambda$$

Let  $\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = -K$ ,

$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \Delta_{\mathbf{g}}K + 2K^2$$

Diffusion and reaction equation!

## Definition (Hamilton's Surface Ricci Flow)

A closed surface with a Riemannian metric  $\mathbf{g}$ , the Ricci flow on it is defined as

$$\frac{dg_{ij}}{dt} = -2Kg_{ij}.$$

The normalized surface Ricci flow,

$$\frac{dg_{ij}}{dt} = \frac{2\pi\chi(S)}{A(0)} - 2Kg_{ij},$$

where  $A(0)$  is the initial surface area.

The normalized surface Ricci flow is area-preserving, the Ricci flow will converge to a metric such that the Gaussian curvature is constant  $\frac{2\pi\chi(S)}{A(0)}$  every where.

## Theorem (Hamilton 1982)

*For a closed surface of non-positive Euler characteristic, if the total area of the surface is preserved during the flow, the Ricci flow will converge to a metric such that the Gaussian curvature is constant (equals to  $\bar{K}$ ) every where.*

## Theorem (Bennett Chow)

*For a closed surface of positive Euler characteristic, if the total area of the surface is preserved during the flow, the Ricci flow will converge to a metric such that the Gaussian curvature is constant (equals to  $\bar{K}$ ) every where.*

## Surface Ricci Flow

- Conformal metric deformation

$$\mathbf{g} \rightarrow e^{2u} \mathbf{g}$$

- Curvature Change - heat diffusion

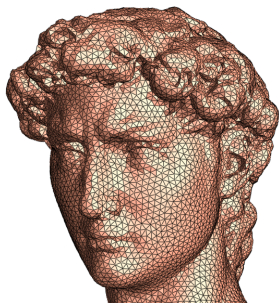
$$\frac{dK}{dt} = \Delta_{\mathbf{g}} K + 2K^2$$

- Ricci flow

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \bar{K} - K.$$

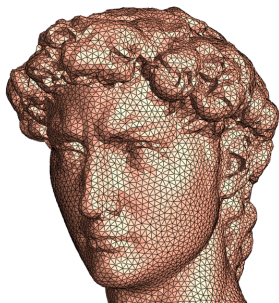
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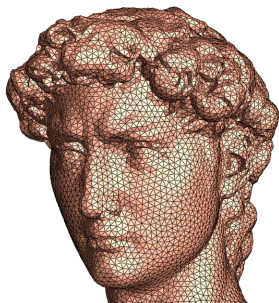
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- Isometric gluing of triangles in  $\mathbb{E}^2$ .
- Isometric gluing of triangles in  $\mathbb{H}^2, \mathbb{S}^2$ .



## Concepts

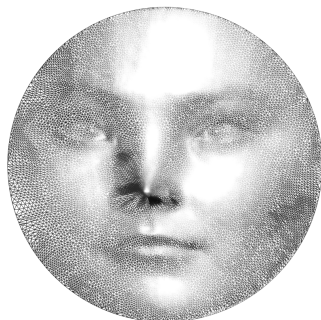
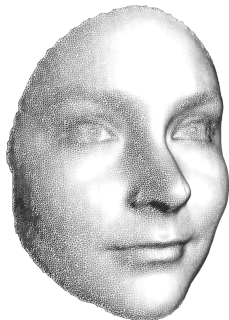
- 1 Discrete Riemannian Metric
- 2 Discrete Curvature
- 3 Discrete Conformal Metric Deformation

# Discrete Metrics

## Definition (Discrete Metric)

A Discrete Metric on a triangular mesh is a function defined on the vertices,  $l : E = \{\text{all edges}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ , satisfies triangular inequality.

A mesh has infinite metrics.



# Discrete Curvature

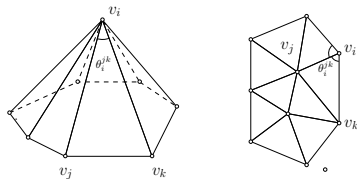
## Definition (Discrete Curvature)

Discrete curvature:  $K : V = \{\text{vertices}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ .

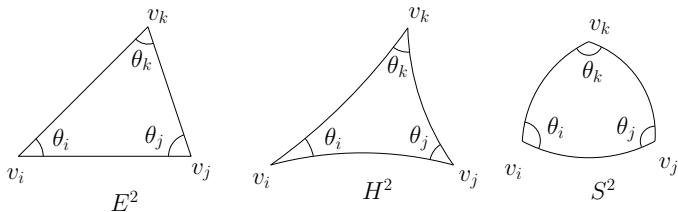
$$K(v_i) = 2\pi - \sum_{jk} \theta_i^{jk}, v_i \notin \partial M; K(v_i) = \pi - \sum_{jk} \theta_{jk}, v_i \in \partial M$$

## Theorem (Discrete Gauss-Bonnet theorem)

$$\sum_{v \notin \partial M} K(v) + \sum_{v \in \partial M} K(v) = 2\pi\chi(M).$$



# Discrete Metrics Determines the Curvatures



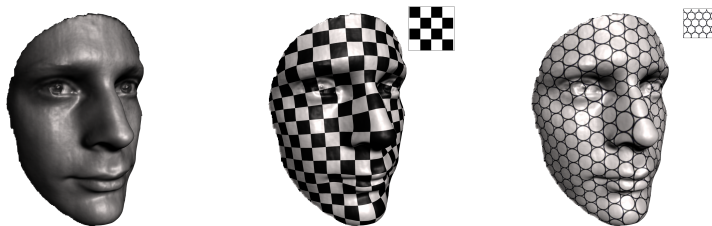
## cosine laws

$$\begin{aligned}\cos l_i &= \frac{\cos \theta_i + \cos \theta_j \cos \theta_k}{\sin \theta_j \sin \theta_k} & S^2 \\ \cosh l_i &= \frac{\cosh \theta_i + \cosh \theta_j \cosh \theta_k}{\sinh \theta_j \sinh \theta_k} & H^2 \\ 1 &= \frac{\cos \theta_i + \cos \theta_j \cos \theta_k}{\sin \theta_j \sin \theta_k} & E^2\end{aligned}$$

# Discrete Conformal Metric Deformation

## Conformal maps Properties

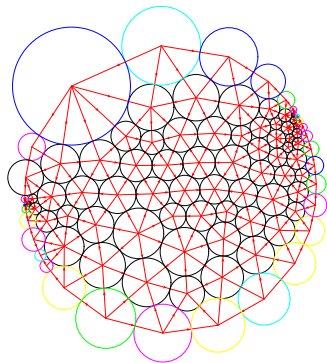
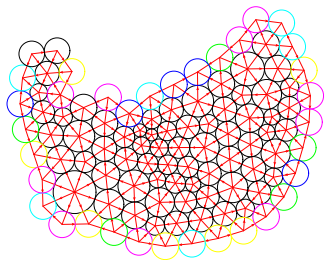
- transform infinitesimal circles to infinitesimal circles.
- preserve the intersection angles among circles.



## Idea - Approximate conformal metric deformation

Replace infinitesimal circles by circles with finite radii.

# Discrete Conformal Metric Deformation vs CP



# Circle Packing Metric

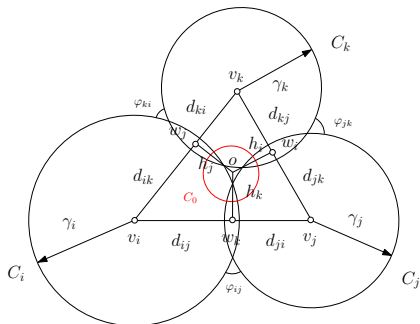
## CP Metric

We associate each vertex  $v_i$  with a circle with radius  $\gamma_i$ . On edge  $e_{ij}$ , the two circles intersect at the angle of  $\Phi_{ij}$ . The edge lengths are

$$l_{ij}^2 = \gamma_i^2 + \gamma_j^2 + 2\gamma_i\gamma_j \cos \varphi_{ij}$$

CP Metric  $(\Sigma, \Gamma, \Phi)$ ,  $\Sigma$  triangulation,

$$\Gamma = \{\gamma_i | \forall v_i\}, \Phi = \{\varphi_{ij} | \forall e_{ij}\}$$





# Discrete Conformal Factor

## Conformal Factor

Defined on each vertex  $\mathbf{u} : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$u_i = \begin{cases} \log \gamma_i & \mathbb{R}^2 \\ \log \tanh \frac{\gamma_i}{2} & \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \log \tan \frac{\gamma_i}{2} & \mathbb{S}^2 \end{cases}$$

## Properties

- Symmetry

$$\frac{\partial K_i}{\partial u_j} = \frac{\partial K_j}{\partial u_i}$$

- Discrete Laplace Equation

$$d\mathbf{K} = \Delta d\mathbf{u},$$

$\Delta$  is a discrete Laplace-Beltrami operator.

## Analogy

- Curvature flow

$$\frac{du}{dt} = \bar{K} - K,$$

- Energy

$$E(\mathbf{u}) = \int \sum_i (\bar{K}_i - K_i) du_i,$$

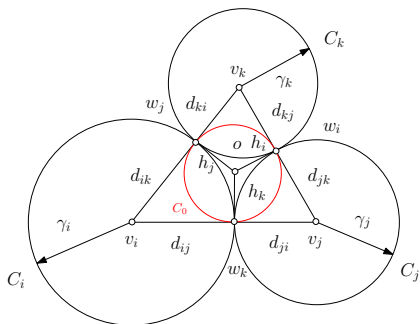
- Hessian of  $E$  denoted as  $\Delta$ ,

$$d\mathbf{K} = \Delta d\mathbf{u}.$$

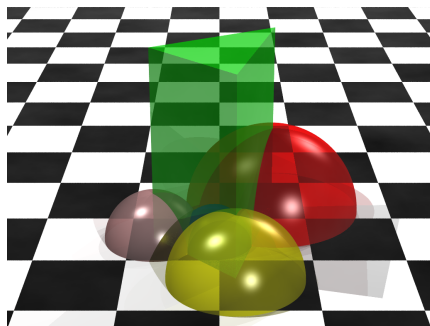
## Key Points

- Convexity of the energy  $E(\mathbf{u})$
- Convexity of the metric space ( $\mathbf{u}$ -space)
- Admissible curvature space ( $\mathbf{K}$ -space)
- Preserving or reflecting richer structures
- Conformality

# Unified Discrete Surface Ricci Flow



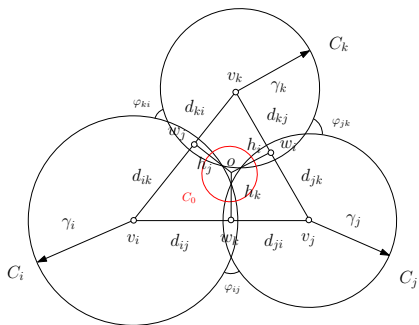
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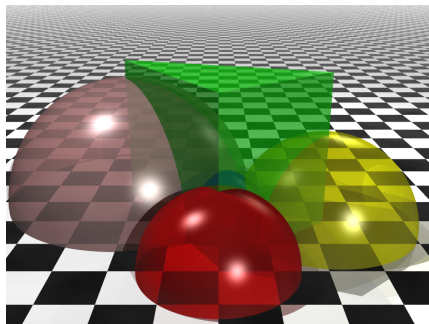
(b) Generalized Hyperbolic Tetrahedron,  $(\eta, \epsilon) = (1, 1)$

Figure: Tangential circle packing.

# Thurston's Circle Packing



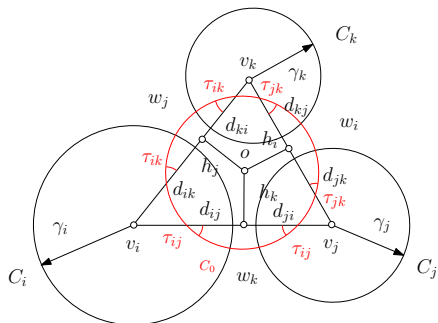
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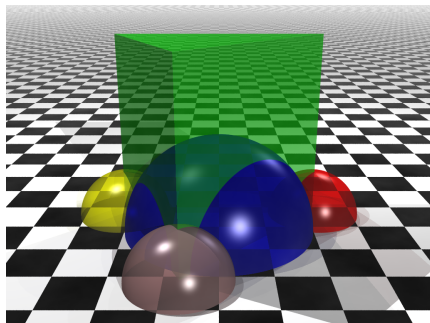
(b) Generalized Hyperbolic Tetrahedron,  $0 \leq \eta < 1, \epsilon = 1$

Figure: Thurston's circle packing.

# Inversive Distance Circle Packing

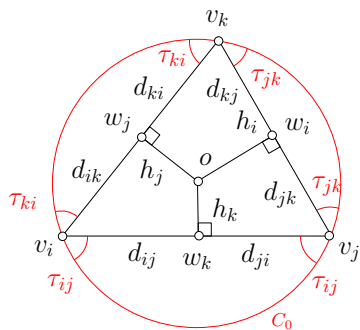


(c) Inversive distance CP

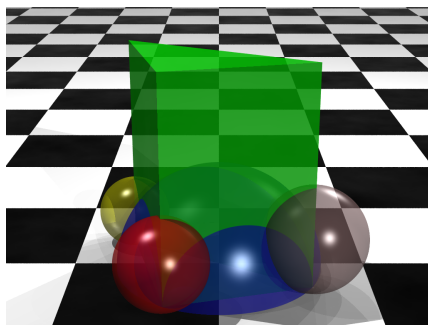


(d) Generalized Hyperbolic Tetrahedron,  $\eta > 1, \epsilon = 1$

Figure: Inversive distance circle packing.



(d) Yamabe flow

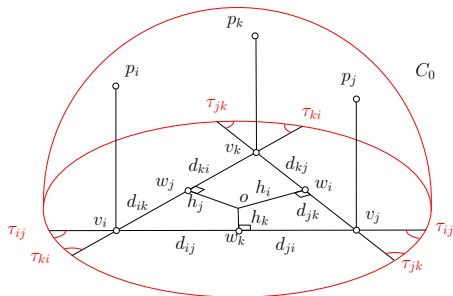


(e) Generalized Hyperbolic Tetrahedron,  $\eta > 0, \epsilon = 0$

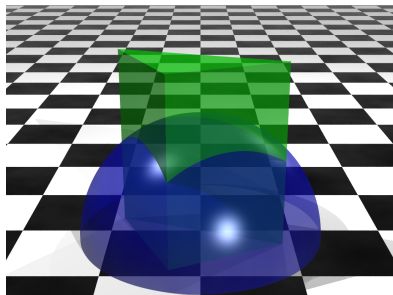
Figure: Yamabe flow.



# Virtual Radius Circle Packing



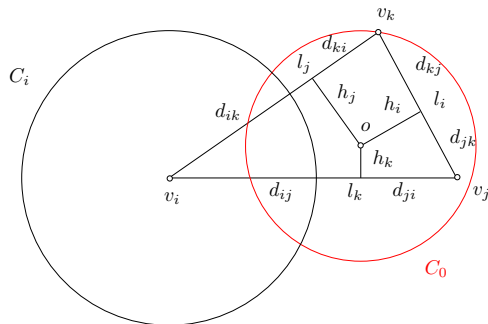
(e) Virtual radius CP



(f) Generalized Hyperbolic Tetrahedron,  $\eta > 0, \epsilon = -1$

Figure: virtual radius circle packing.

$$l_k^2 = -r_i^2 - r_j^2 + 2\eta_{ij}r_i r_j.$$



(f) mixed type

Figure: Mixed typed circle packing.

## Definition (Discrete Conformal Factor)

The discrete conformal factor is defined as  $u : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$u_i = \begin{cases} \log \gamma_i & \mathbb{E}^2 \\ \log \tanh \frac{\gamma_i}{2} & \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \log \tan \frac{\gamma_i}{2} & \mathbb{S}^2 \end{cases}$$

## Definition (Edge Length)

The edge lengths are given by

$$u_i = \begin{cases} l_{ij}^2 & = 2\eta_{ij}e^{u_i+u_j} + \varepsilon_i e^{2u_i} + \varepsilon_j e^{2u_j} & \mathbb{E}^2 \\ \cosh l_{ij} & = \frac{4\eta_{ij}e^{u_i+u_j} + (1+\varepsilon_i e^{2u_i})(1+\varepsilon_j e^{2u_j})}{(1-\varepsilon_i e^{2u_i})(1-\varepsilon_j e^{2u_j})} & \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \cos l_{ij} & = \frac{-4\eta_{ij}e^{u_i+u_j} + (1-\varepsilon_i e^{2u_i})(1-\varepsilon_j e^{2u_j})}{(1+\varepsilon_i e^{2u_i})(1+\varepsilon_j e^{2u_j})} & \mathbb{S}^2 \end{cases}$$

Scheme	$\varepsilon_i$	$\varepsilon_j$	$\eta_{ij}$
Tangential Circle Packing	+1	+1	+1
Thurston's Circle Packing	+1	+1	$[0, 1]$
Inversive Distance Circle Packing	+1	+1	$(0, \infty)$
Yamabe Flow	0	0	$(0, \infty)$
Virtual Distance Circle Packing	-1	-1	$(0, \infty)$
Mixed Type	$\{-1, 0, +1\}$	$\{-1, 0, +1\}$	$(0, \infty)$

Table: Parameters for schemes.

## Definition (Entropy on a Face)

A discrete surface with  $\mathbb{S}^2, \mathbb{E}^2, \mathbb{H}^2$  background geometry, and a circle packing metric  $(\Sigma, \gamma, \eta, \varepsilon)$ . For each triangle  $[v_i, v_j, v_k]$  with inner angle  $(\theta_i, \theta_j, \theta_k)$ , the entropy energy for the face is given by

$$E_f(u_i, u_j, u_k) = \int^{(u_i, u_j, u_k)} \theta_i du_i + \theta_j du_j + \theta_k du_k.$$

## Definition (Entropy on a mesh)

A discrete surface with  $\mathbb{S}^2, \mathbb{E}^2, \mathbb{H}^2$  background geometry, and a circle packing metric  $(\Sigma, \gamma, \eta, \varepsilon)$ . The discrete entropy energy for the whole mesh is defined as

$$E = \int^{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{K}_i - K_i) du_i.$$

The mesh entropy can be represented as the face energies

$$E_\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{K}_i - 2\pi) u_i + \sum_{f \in F} E_f.$$

# Symmetry

Suppose a triangle  $[v_i, v_j, v_k]$  is with background geometry  $\mathbb{S}^2, \mathbb{E}^2, \mathbb{H}^2$ , conformal factor  $(u_i, u_j, u_k)$ , edge length  $(l_i, l_j, l_k)$ , inner angles  $(\theta_i, \theta_j, \theta_k)$ , entropy energy is

$$E(u_i, u_j, u_k) = \int^{(u_i, u_j, u_k)} \theta_i du_i + \theta_j du_j + \theta_k du_k. \quad (1)$$

Then the Hessian matrix is given by

$$\frac{\partial(\theta_i, \theta_j, \theta_k)}{\partial(u_i, u_j, u_k)} = -\frac{1}{2A} L \Theta L^{-1} D, \quad (2)$$

where,  $A$  is the triangle area

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \sin \theta_i s(l_j) s(l_k), \quad (3)$$



The matrix  $L$  is

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} s(l_i) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s(l_j) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s(l_k) \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$\Theta$

$$\Theta = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \cos \theta_k & \cos \theta_j \\ \cos \theta_k & -1 & \cos \theta_i \\ \cos \theta_j & \cos \theta_i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

matrix  $D$  is

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \tau(i, j, k) & \tau(i, k, j) \\ \tau(j, i, k) & 0 & \tau(j, k, i) \\ \tau(k, i, j) & \tau(k, j, i) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

where

$$s(x) = \begin{cases} x & \mathbb{E}^2 \\ \sinh x & \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \sin x & \mathbb{S}^2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\tau(i, j, k) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(l_i^2 + \epsilon_j \gamma_j^2 - \epsilon_k \gamma_k^2) & \mathbb{E}^2 \\ \cosh l_i \cosh^{\epsilon_j} \gamma_j - \cosh^{\epsilon_k} \gamma_k & \mathbb{H}^2 \\ \cos l_i \cos^{\epsilon_j} \gamma_j - \cos^{\epsilon_k} \gamma_k & \mathbb{S}^2 \end{cases}$$

# Geometric Interpretation

For each triangle, there is a power circle, orthogonal to three vertex circles. The distance from the power center to each edge is  $h_i, h_j, h_k$ . Then we have the geometric interpretation to the Hessian matrix: with  $\mathbb{E}^2$ ,  $\mathbb{H}^2$  and  $\mathbb{S}^2$  background geometry,

$$\frac{\partial \theta_1}{\partial u_2} = \frac{\partial \theta_2}{\partial u_1} = \frac{h_3}{l_3}$$

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# Existence and Uniqueness Theorem for Discrete Ricci Flow

## Definition (Discrete Conformality)

Two discrete metrics  $d, d'$  on  $(S, V)$  are discrete conformal if there exists sequence of discrete metrics on  $(S, V)$ ,  $d = d_1, d_2, \dots, d_m = d'$ , and triangulations of  $(S, V)$ ,  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_m$  satisfying

- 1 each  $T_i$  is Delaunay in  $d_i$ ;
- 2 if  $T_i = T_{i+1}$ , there exists a discrete conformal factor  $u : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , for each edge  $e \in T_i$  with vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , then

$$l_{d_i}(e) = l_{d_{i+1}}(e)e^{u(v_1)+u(v_2)},$$

- 3 if  $T_i \neq T_{i+1}$ , then  $(S, d_i)$  is isometric to  $(S, d_{i+1})$  by an isometry homotopic to the identity in  $(S, V)$ .

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## Theorem (Existence and Uniqueness)

*Suppose  $(S, V)$  is a closed connected marked surface and  $d$  is any discrete metric on  $(S, V)$ . Then for any discrete Gaussian curvature  $K^* : V \rightarrow (-\infty, 2\pi)$  with  $\sum_{v \in V} K^*(v) = 2\pi\chi(S)$ , there exists a discrete metric  $d'$ , unique up to scaling on  $(S, V)$ , so that  $d'$  is discrete conformal to  $d$  and the discrete curvature of  $d'$  is  $K^*$ . Furthermore, the discrete curvature flow with surgery associated to curvature  $K^*$  with initial value  $d$  converges to  $d'$  exponentially fast.*

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# Discrete Uniformization Theorem

## Definition (Discrete Entropy Energy)

The entropy energy of  $(S, V, d)$  is defined as

$$E(u) := \int^{(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)} \sum_{v_i \in V} (\bar{K}(v_i) - K(v_i)) du_i.$$

The discrete Ricci flow is the gradient flow of the entropy energy:

$$\frac{du_i(t)}{dt} = \bar{K}(v_i) - K(v_i, t),$$

the entropy is strictly concave on the space  $\sum_i u_i = 0$ , therefore can be optimized using Newton's method.



# Experimental Results

# Robustness Test

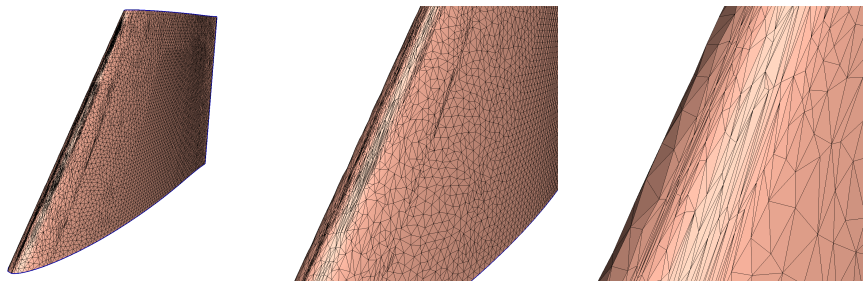


Figure: Initial mesh is with low quality triangulation.

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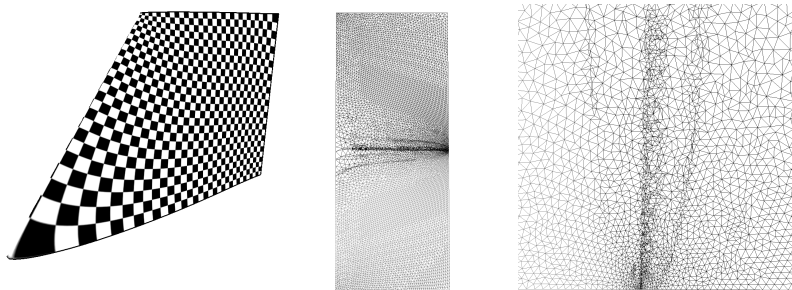
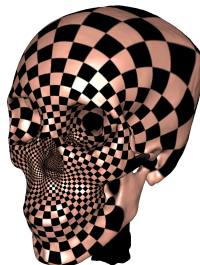
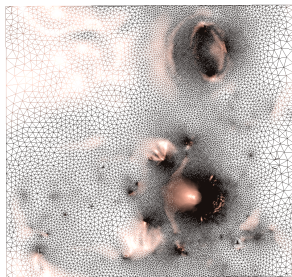
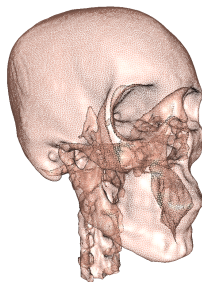
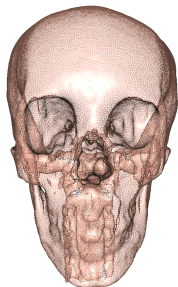


Figure: Conformal mapping by discrete surface Ricci flow.

# Robustness Test - genus 39 anatomical model



# Surface Remesh

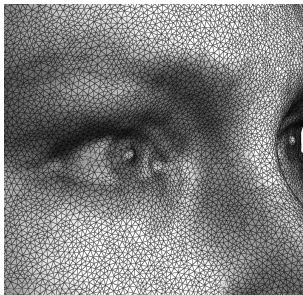
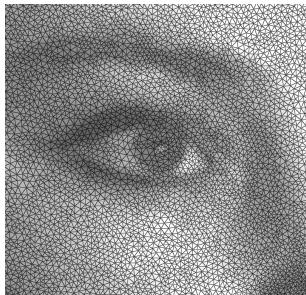
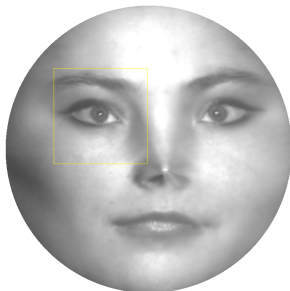




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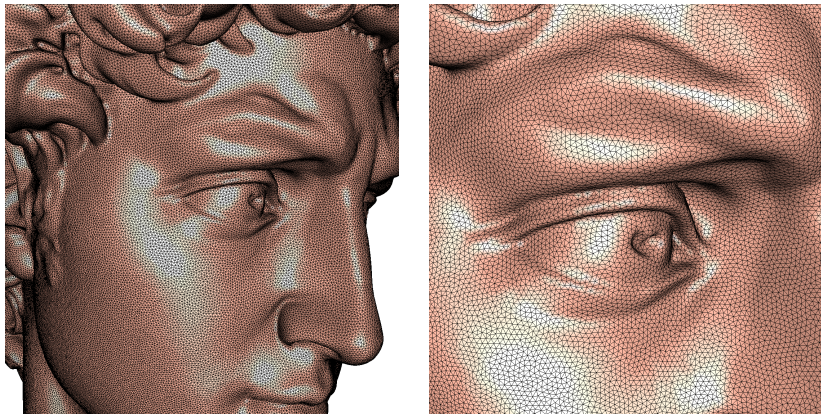


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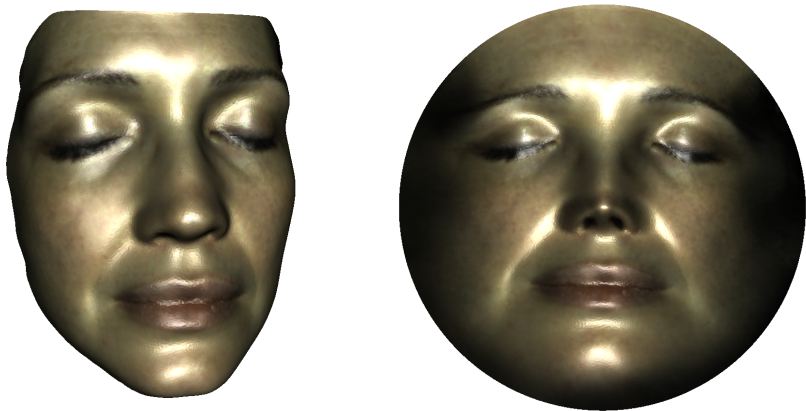


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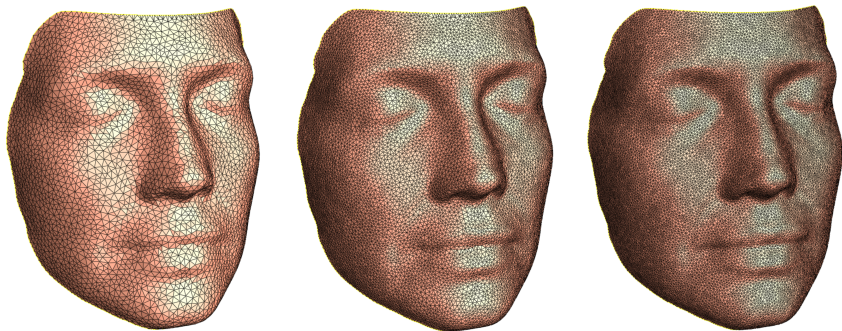
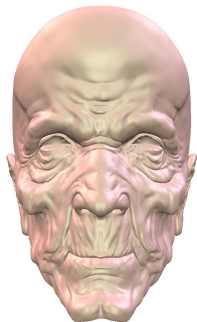


Figure: Multi-resolution Remeshing results.

# Surface Multiresolution Compression



input surface



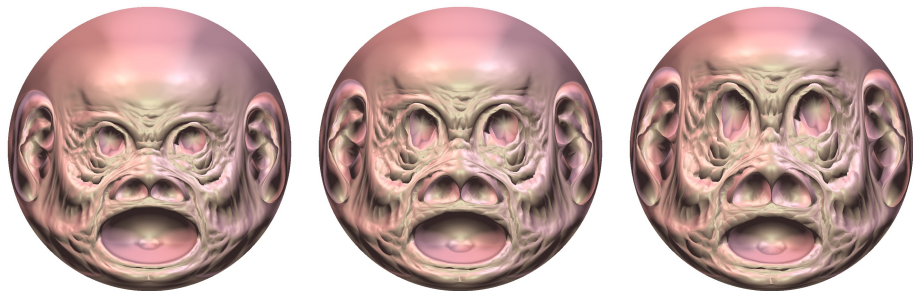
conformal mapping



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Figure: Conformal and optimal transport mappings.

# Surface Multiresolution Compression



**Figure:** Optimal transport mappings, the target measures are weighted Gaussian curvature and the area element.

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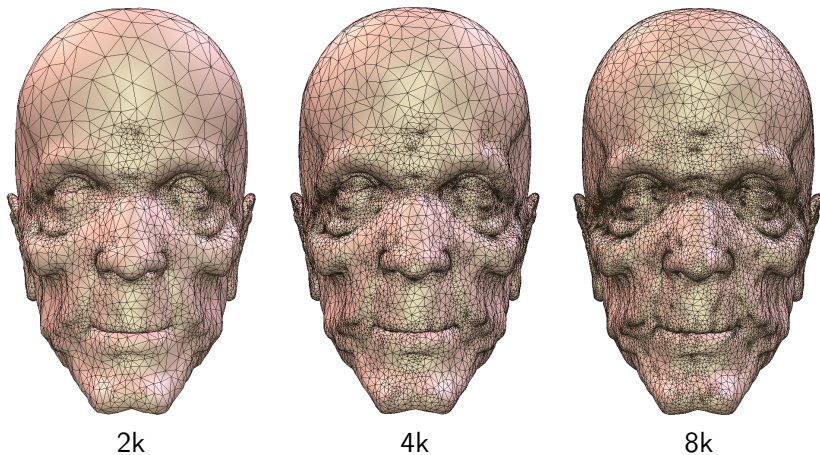


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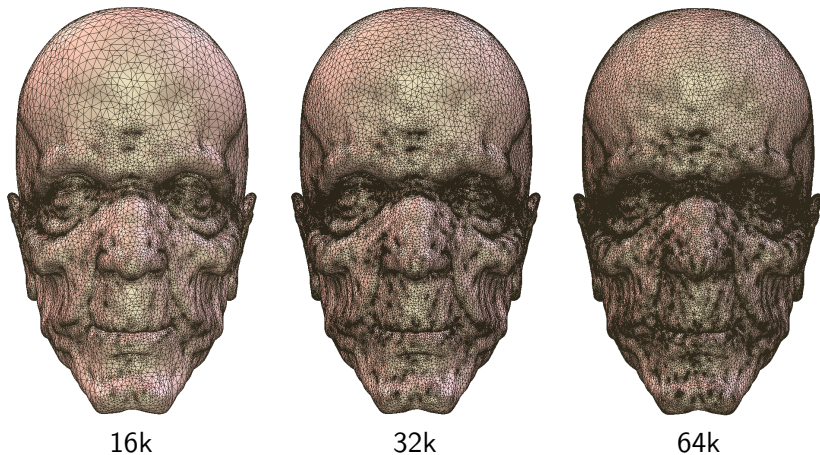


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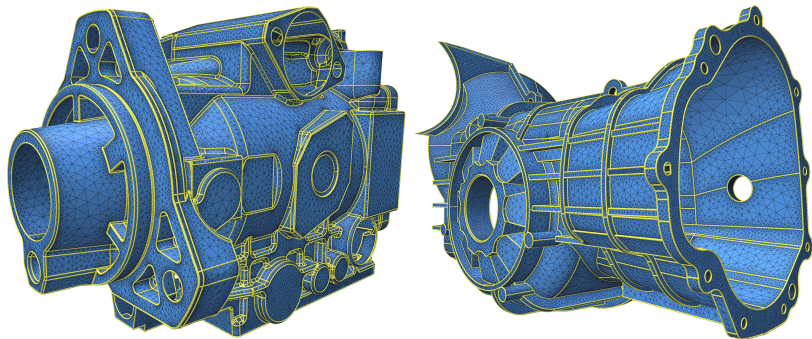
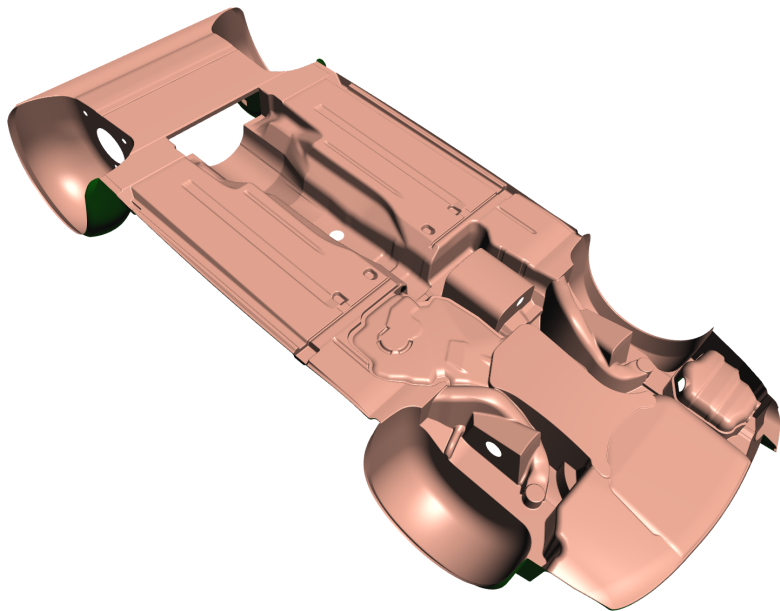
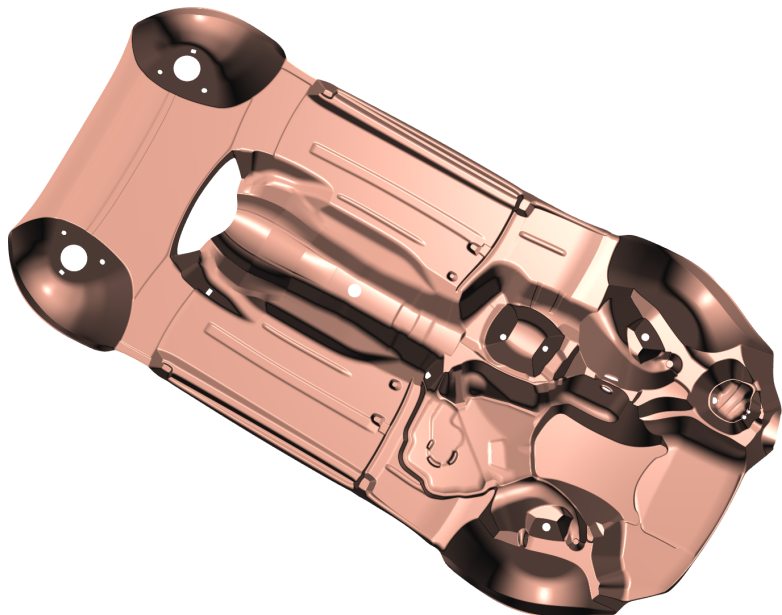


Figure: Remeshing a mechanical part.

# Chassis Model

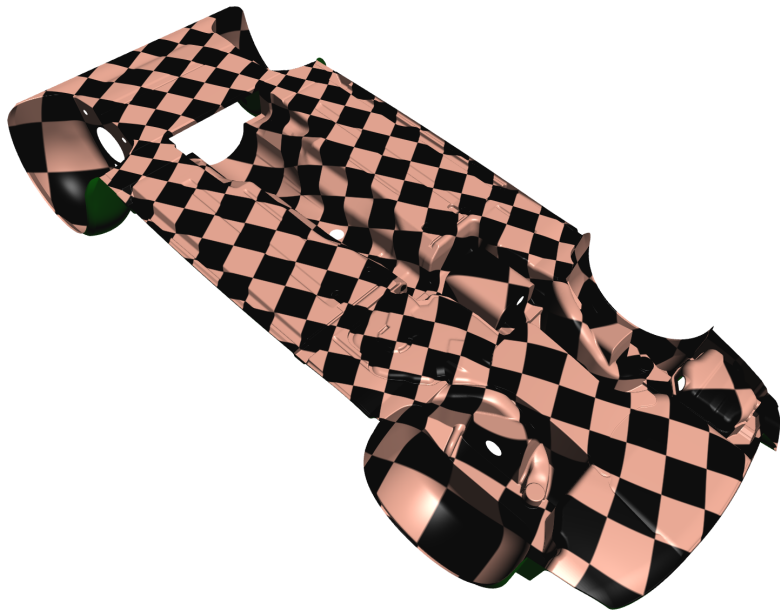


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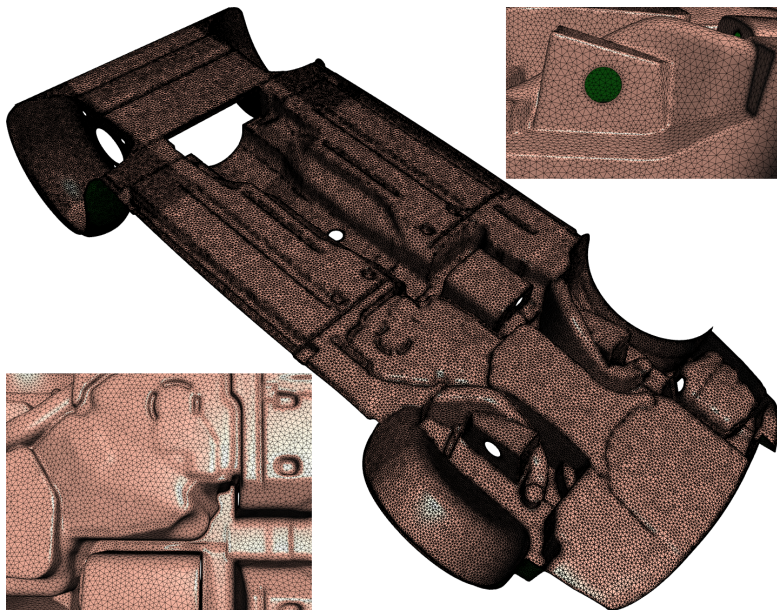


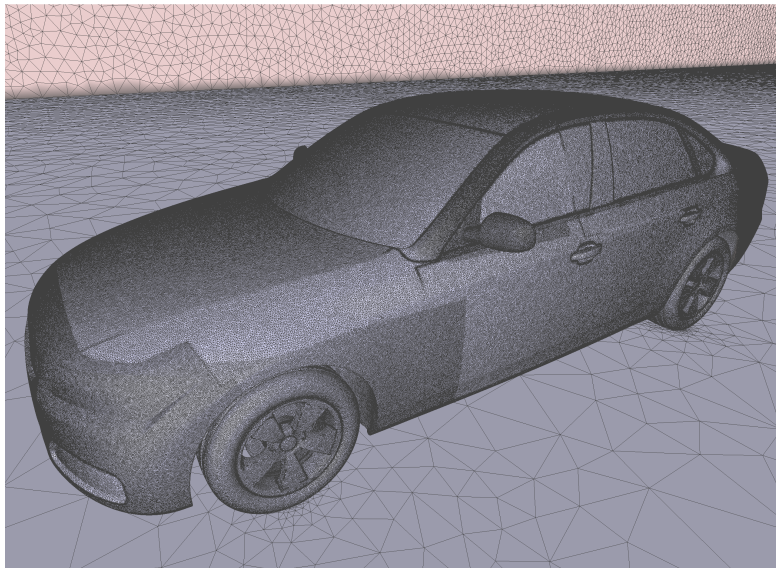


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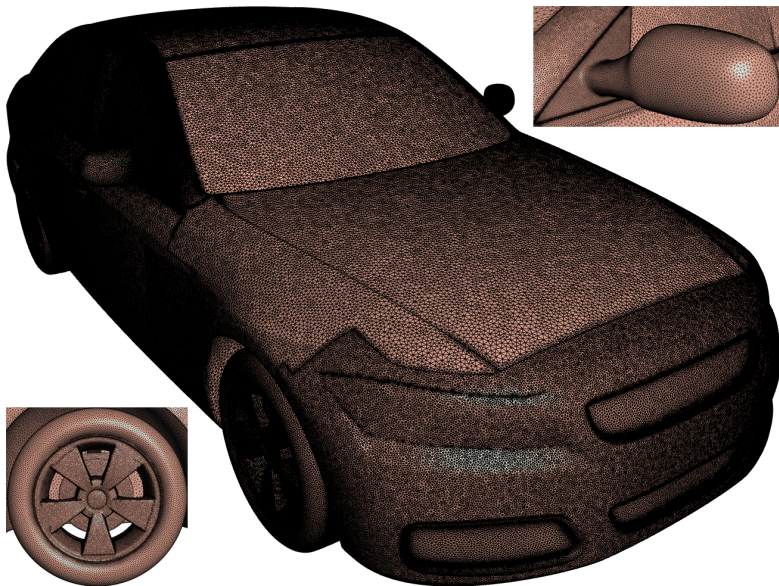
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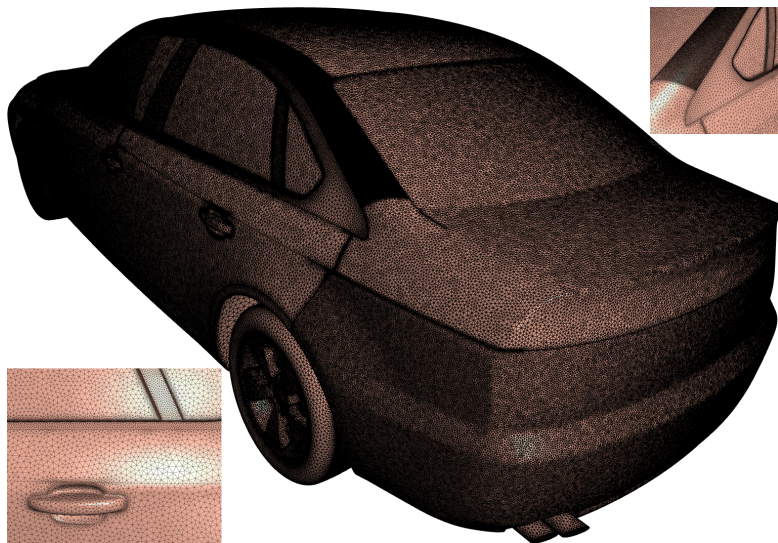
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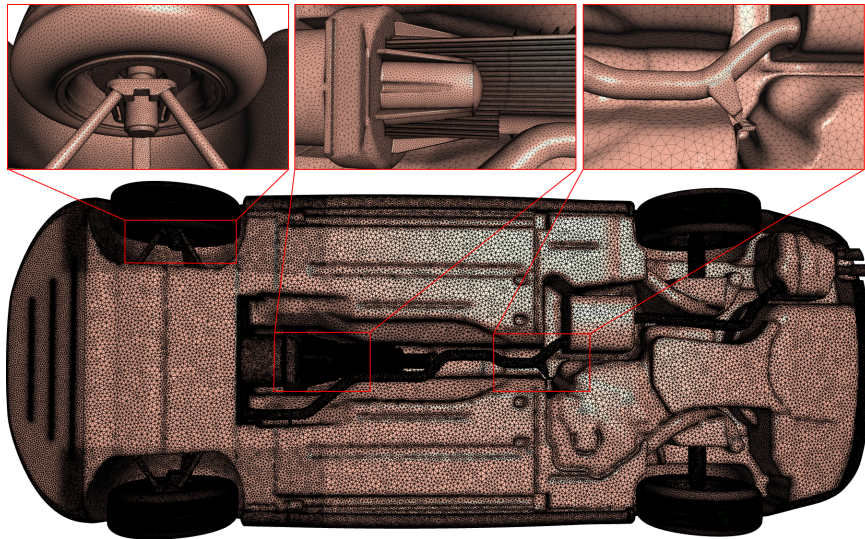
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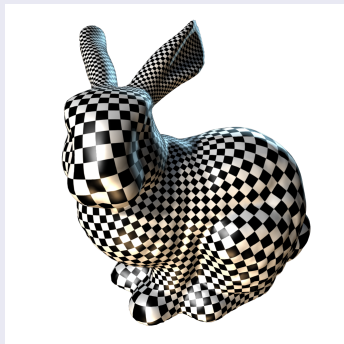


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