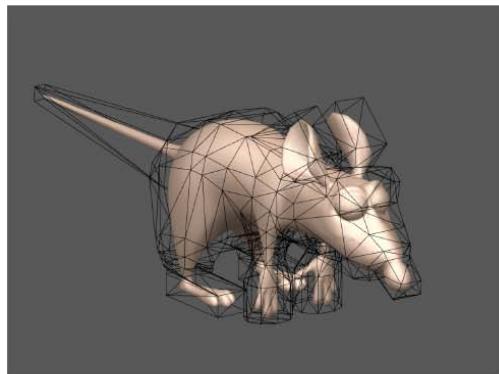
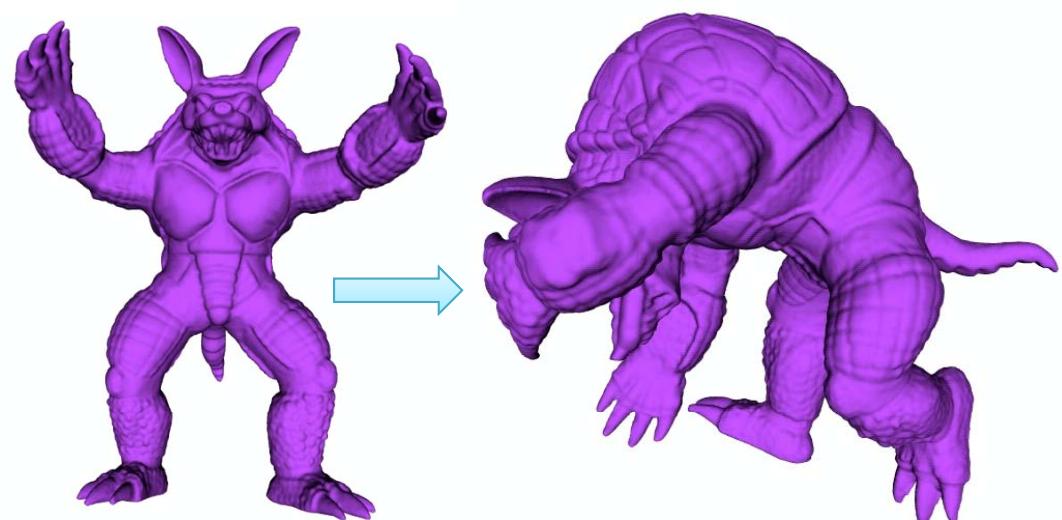
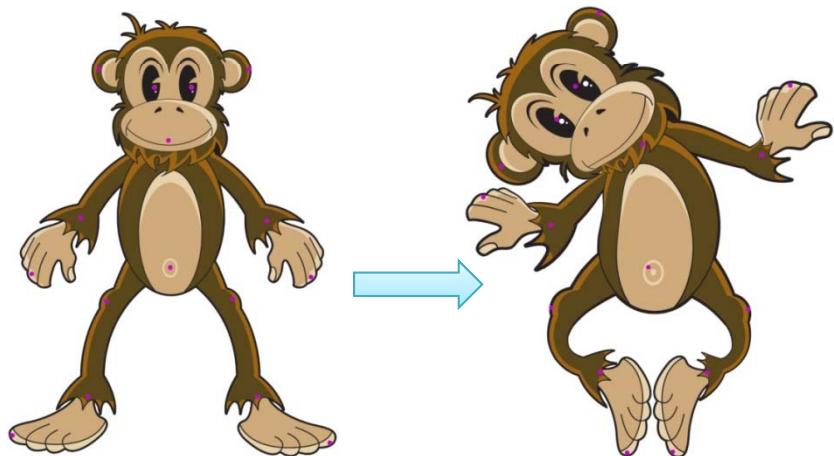


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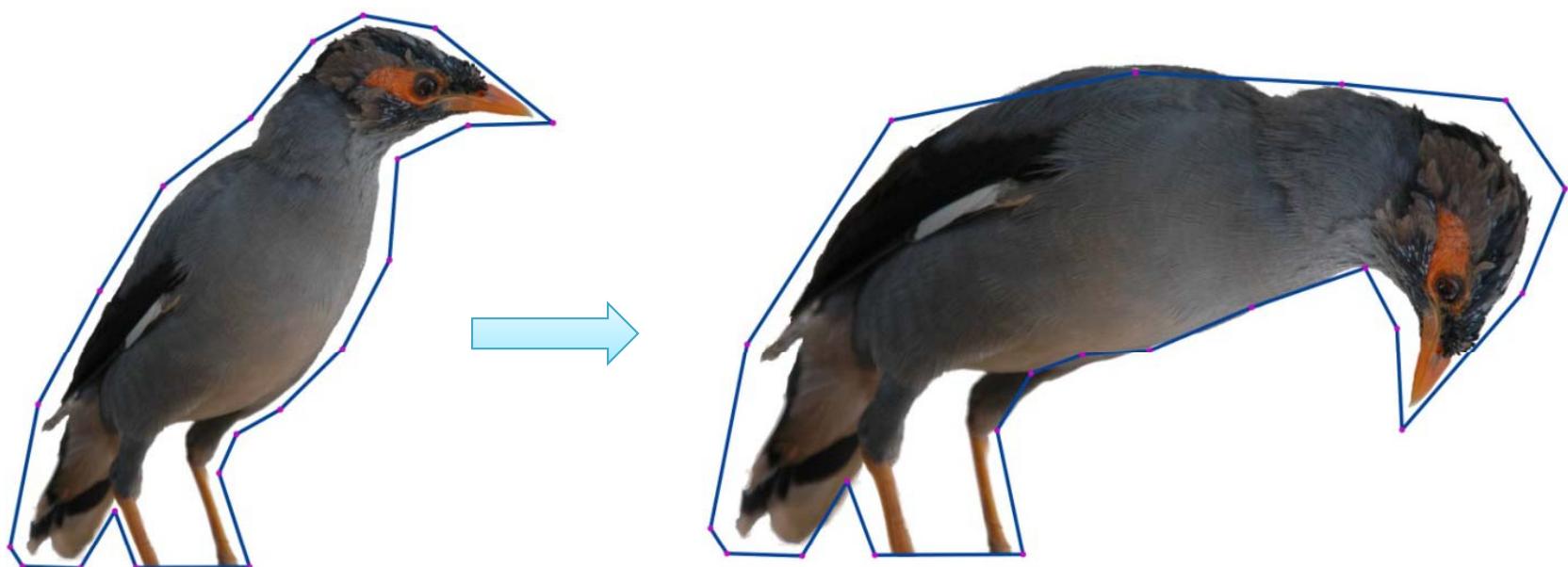
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Deformation



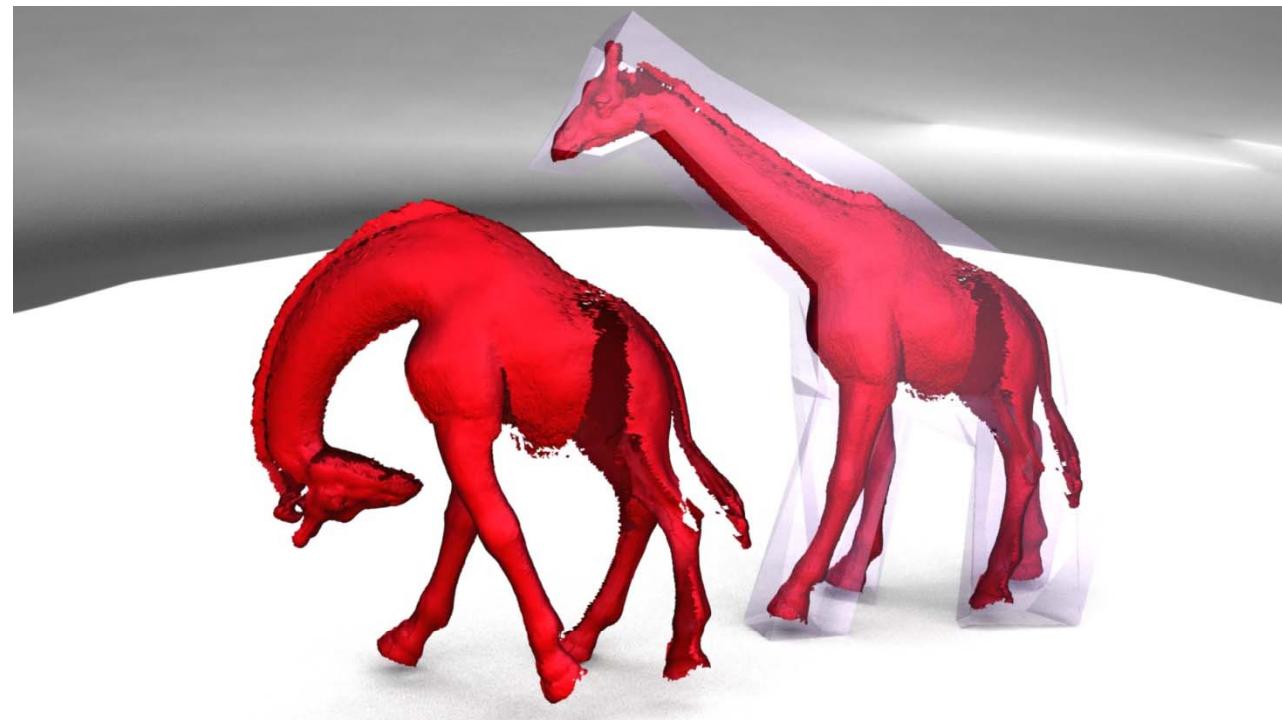
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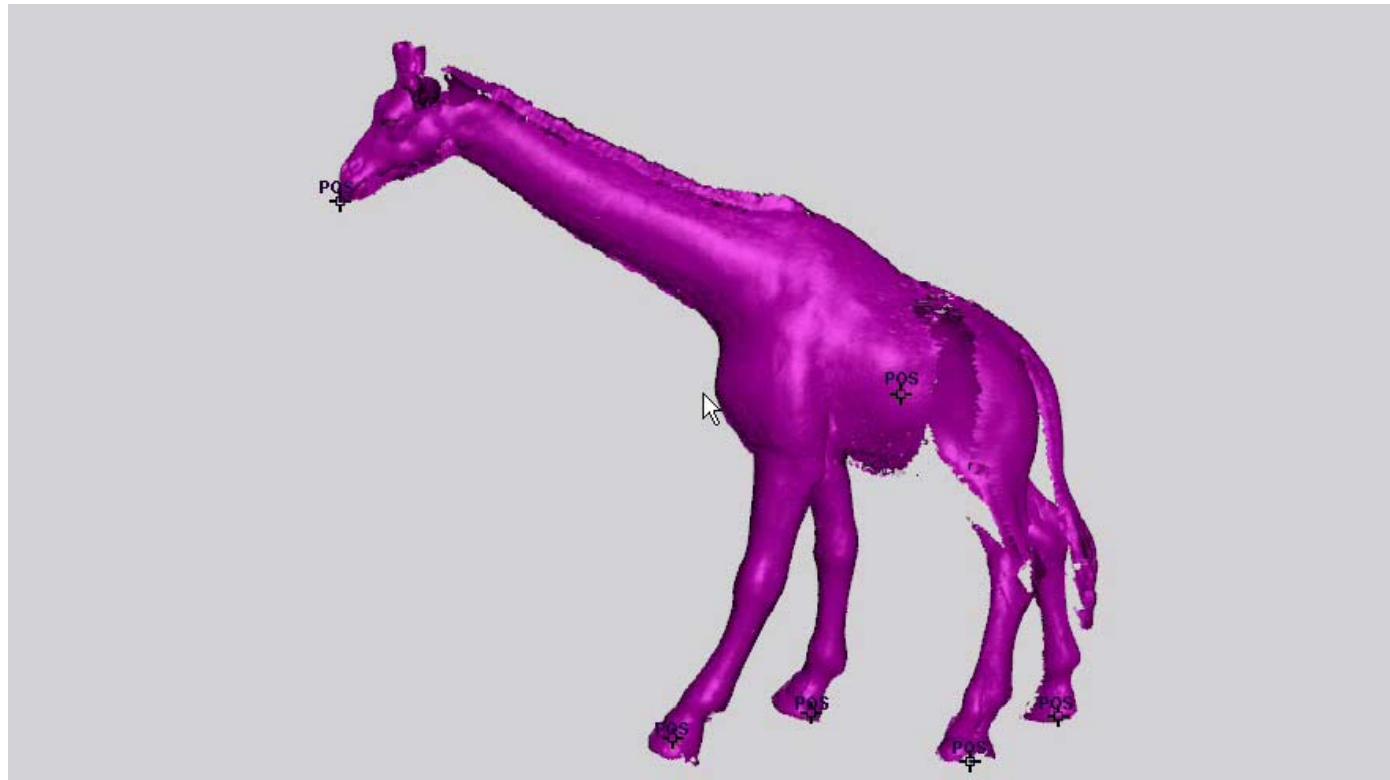
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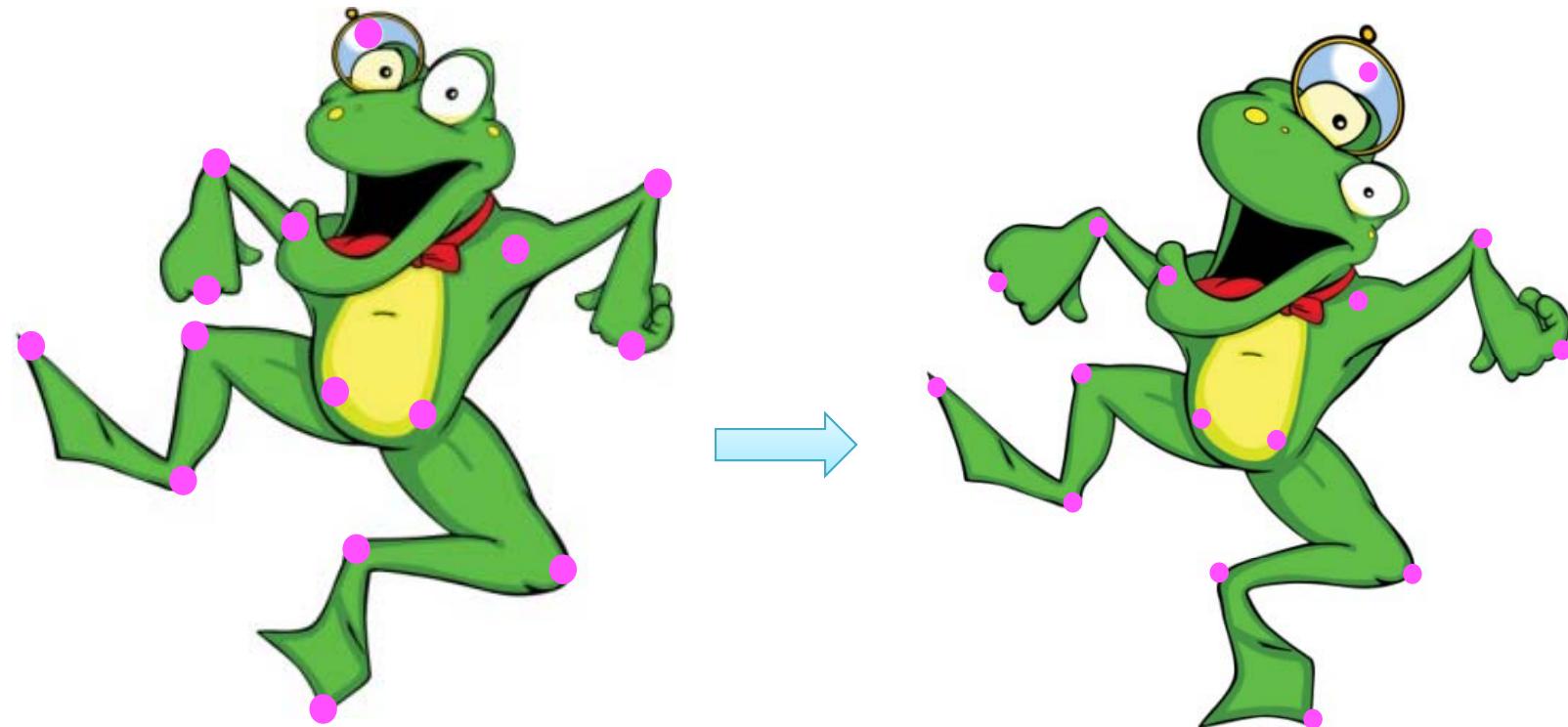
Motivation

Character posing for animation



Challenges

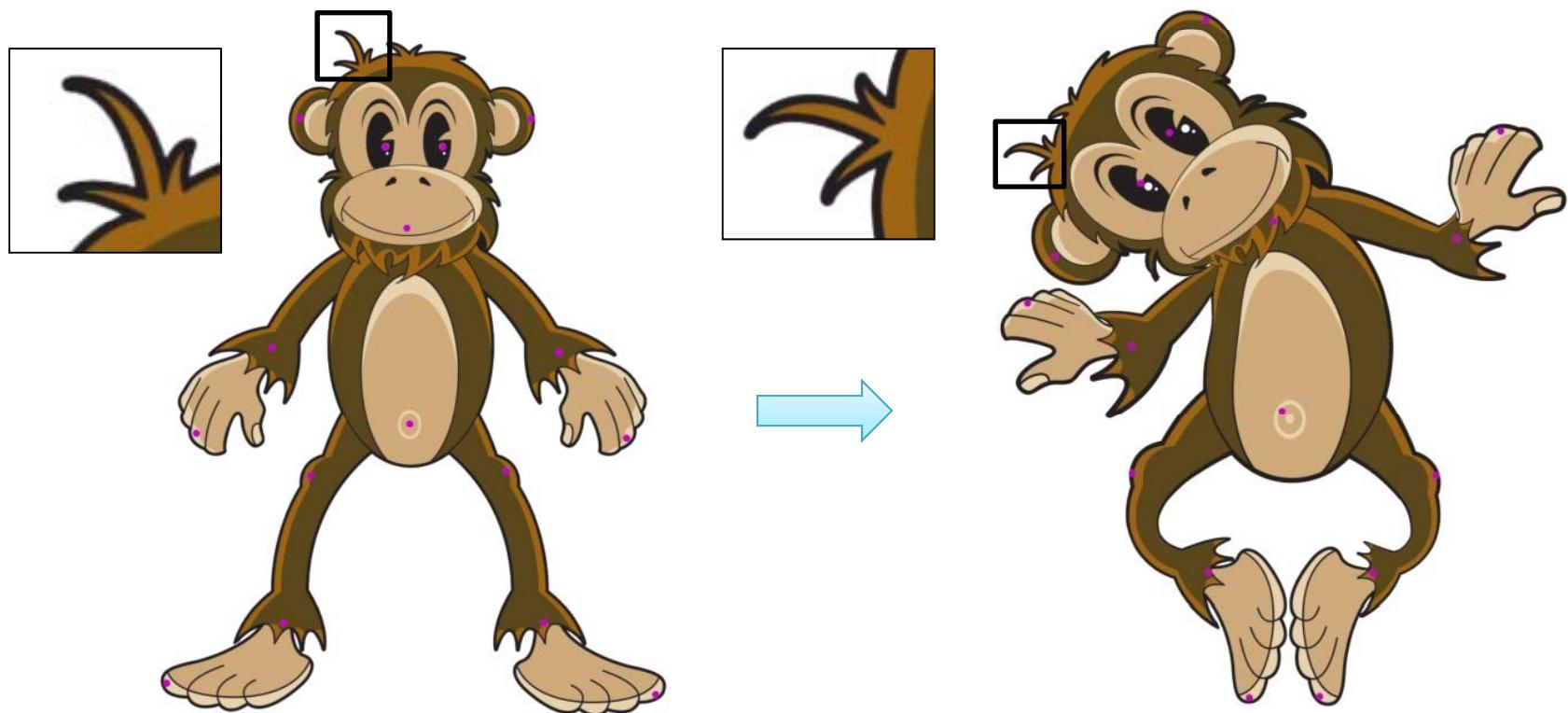
User says as little as possible...



...algorithm deduces the rest

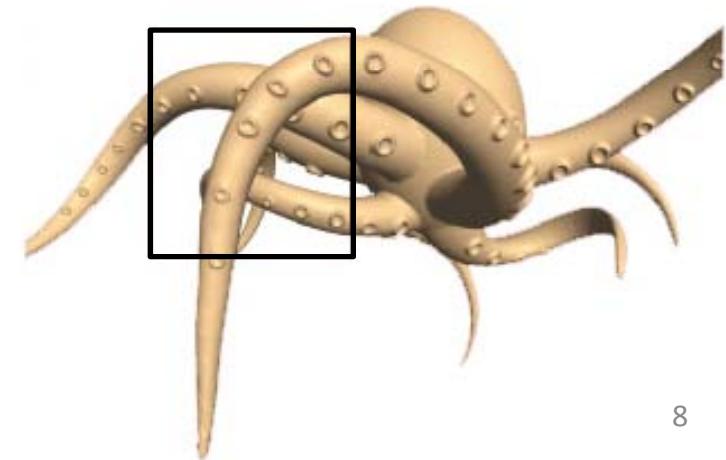
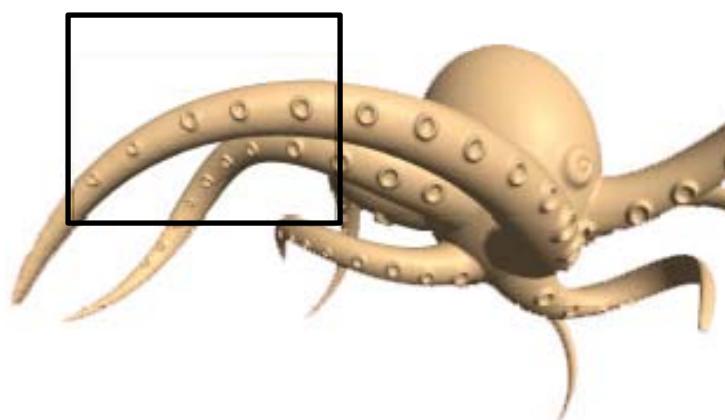
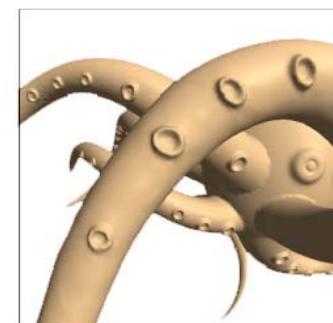
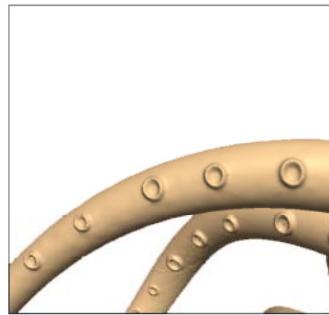
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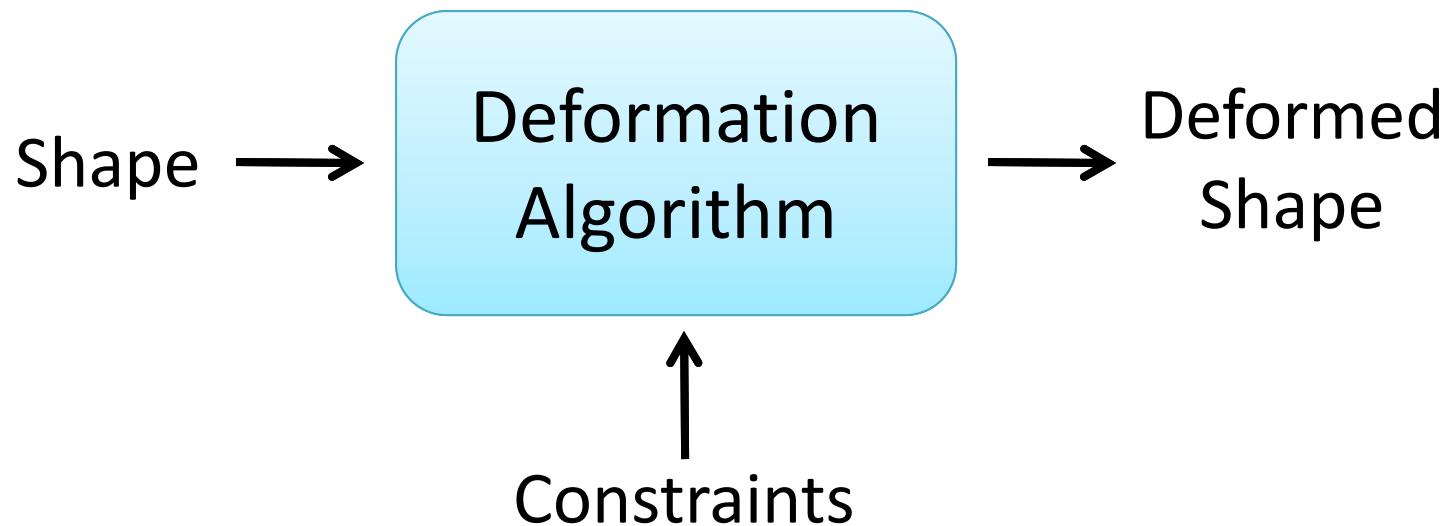


Challenges

Efficient!



Rules of the Game



Position:

“This point goes there”

Orientation/Scale:

“The environment of this point should rotate/scale”

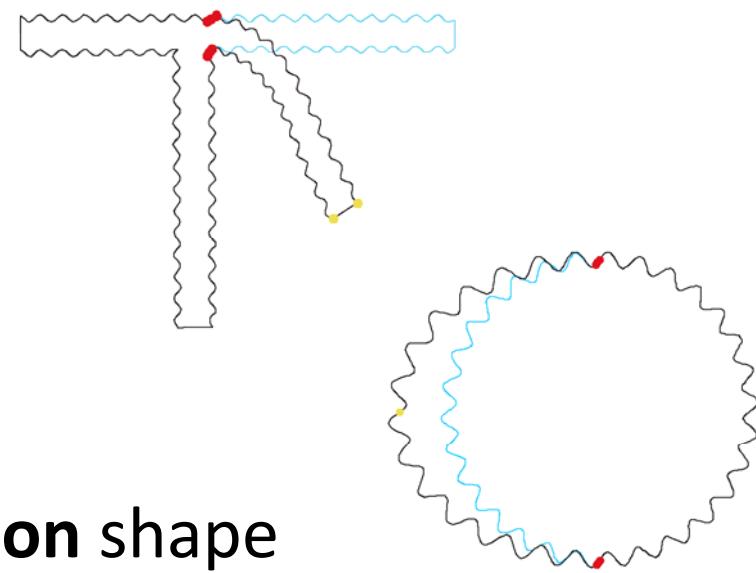
Other shape property:

Curvature, perimeter,...

[Parameterization is also “deformation”: constraints = curvature 0 everywhere]

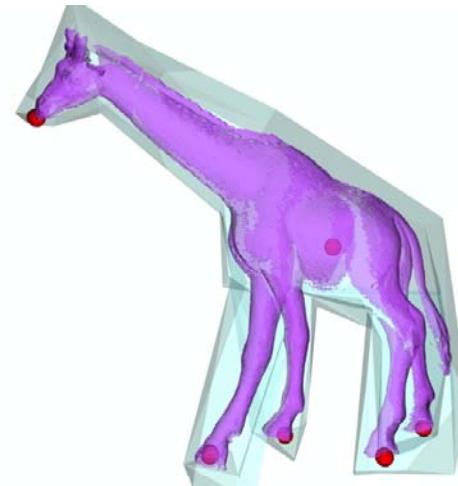
Approaches

- Surface deformation
 - Shape is empty shell
 - Curve for 2D deformation
 - Surface for 3D deformation
 - Deformation only defined **on** shape
 - Deformation coupled with shape representation



Approaches

- Space deformation
 - Shape is volumetric
 - Planar domain in 2D
 - Polyhedral domain in 3D
 - Deformation defined in neighborhood of shape
 - Can be applied to any shape representation



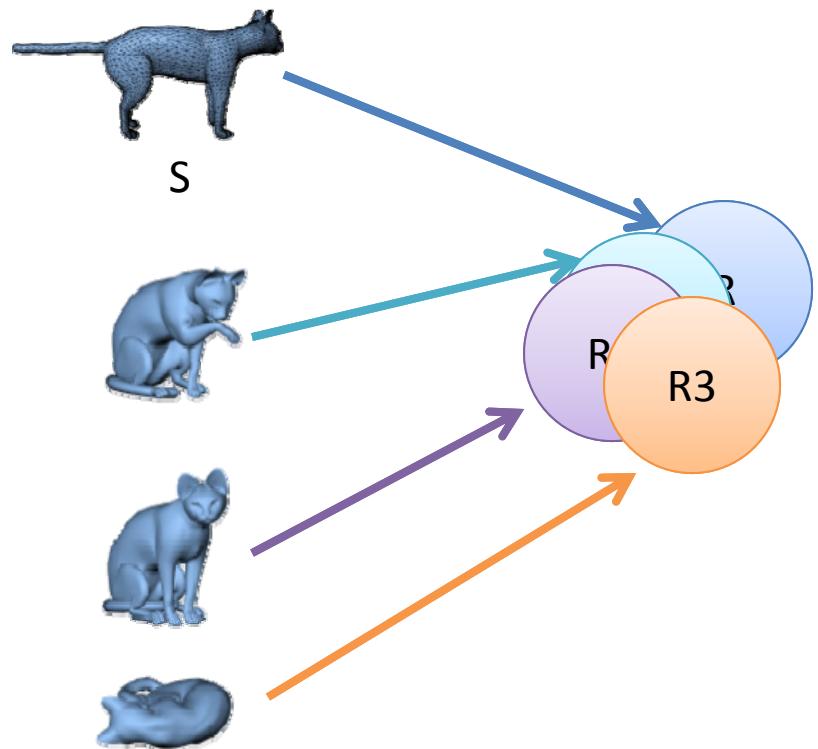
Approaches

- Surface deformation
 - Find alternative representation which is “deformation invariant”
- Space deformation
 - Find a space map which has “nice properties”

Surface Deformation

Setup:

- Choose alternative representation $f(S)$
- Given S find S' such that
 - $\text{Constraints}(S')$ are true
 - $f(S') = f(S)$
 - (or close)
 - An optimization problem



Shape Representation

How good is the representation?

- Representation should **always** be invariant to:
 - Global translation
 - Global rotation
 - Global scale? Depends on application
- Shapes we want “reachable” should have similar representations
 - Almost isometric deformation
local translation + rotation
 - Almost “conformal” deformation
local translation + rotation + scale

Shape Representation

Robustness

- How hard is it to solve the optimization problem?
- Can we find the global minimum?
- Small change in constraints → similar shape?

Efficiency

- Can it be solved at interactive rates?

Shape Representations

Rule of thumb:

If representation is a **linear** function of the coordinates, deformation is:

Robust

Fast

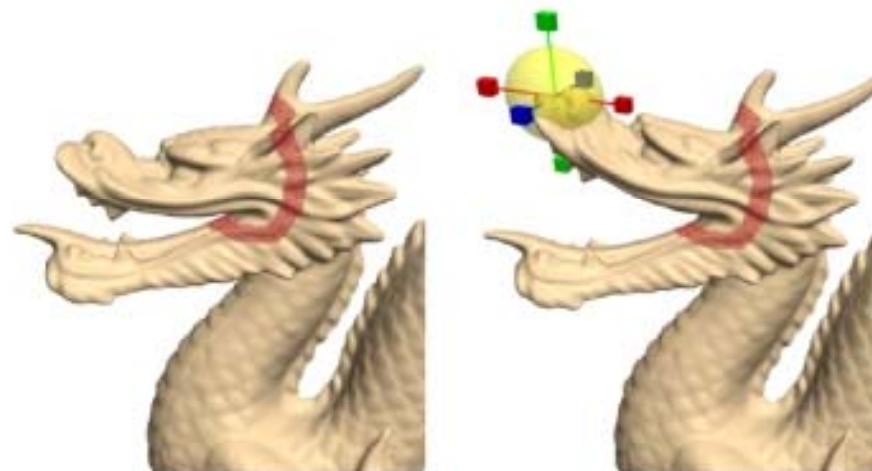
But representation is **not rotation invariant!**
(for large rotations)

Surface Representations

- Laplacian coordinates
- Edge lengths + dihedral angles
- Pyramid coordinates
- Local frames
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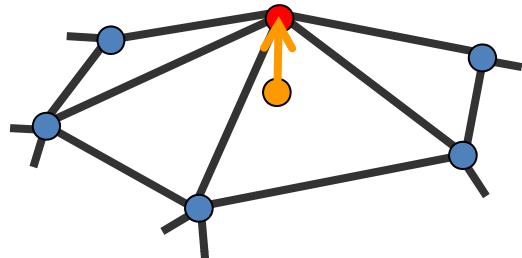
Laplacian Coordinates [Sorkine et al. 04]

- Control mechanism
 - Handles (vertices) moved by user
 - Region of influence (ROI)



Movie

Laplacian Coordinates



$$\delta_i = \mathbf{v}_i - \sum_{j \in N(i)} \frac{1}{d_i} \mathbf{v}_j = \sum_{j \in N(i)} \frac{1}{d_i} (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j)$$

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

I = Identity matrix

D = Diagonal matrix [$d_{ii} = \deg(v_i)$]

A = Adjacency matrix

V = Vertices in mesh

Approximation to normals - unique up to translation

Reconstruct by solving $LV = \delta$ for V , with one constraint



Poisson equation

Deformation

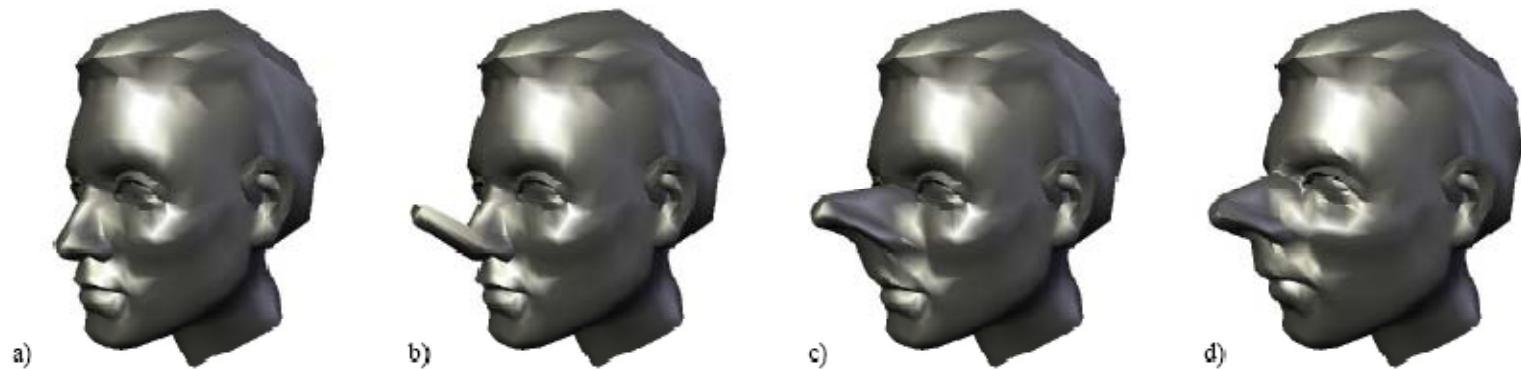
- Pose modeling constraints for vertices $C \subset V$
 $- v'_i = u_i \quad i \in C$
- No exact solution, minimize error

$$\mathbf{v}' = \arg \min_{\mathbf{v}'} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\delta_i - L(\mathbf{v}'_i)\|^2 + \sum_{i \in C} \|\mathbf{v}'_i - \mathbf{u}_i\|^2$$



Laplacian coordinates of original mesh Laplacian coordinates of deformed mesh User Constraints

Deformation



$$\mathbf{V}' = \arg \min_{\mathbf{V}'} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\delta_i - L(\mathbf{v}'_i)\|^2 + \sum_{i \in C} \|\mathbf{v}'_i - \mathbf{u}_i\|^2$$

Diagram illustrating the optimization equation for mesh deformation:

- The first term $\sum_{i=1}^n \|\delta_i - L(\mathbf{v}'_i)\|^2$ represents the Laplacian coordinates of the original mesh (\mathbf{v}'), with an arrow pointing to the \mathbf{v}' term.
- The second term $\sum_{i \in C} \|\mathbf{v}'_i - \mathbf{u}_i\|^2$ represents user constraints, with an arrow pointing to the \mathbf{u}_i term.
- The third term $\|\delta_i - L(\mathbf{v}'_i)\|^2$ represents the Laplacian coordinates of the deformed mesh (\mathbf{v}'_i), with an arrow pointing to the \mathbf{v}'_i term.

Linear Least Squares

- $Ax = b$ with m equations, n unknowns
- Normal equations: $(A^T A)x = A^T b$
- Solution by pseudo inverse:

$$x = A^+ b = [(A^T A)^{-1} A^T] b$$

If system under determined: $x = \arg \min \{ \|x\| : Ax = b \}$

If system over determined: $x = \arg \min \{ \|Ax - b\|^2 \}$

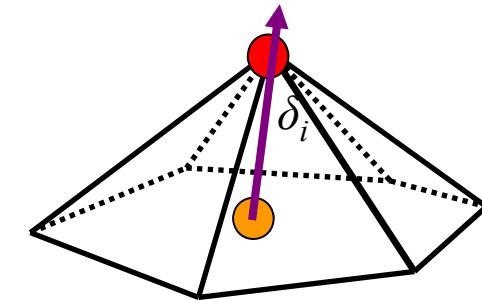
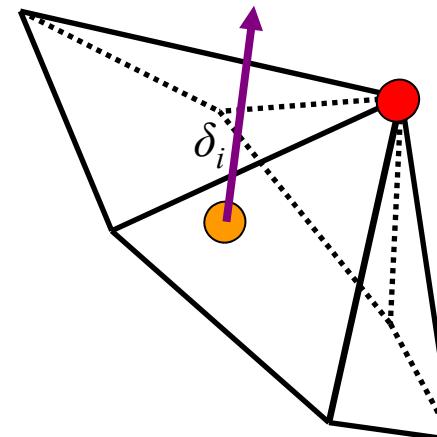
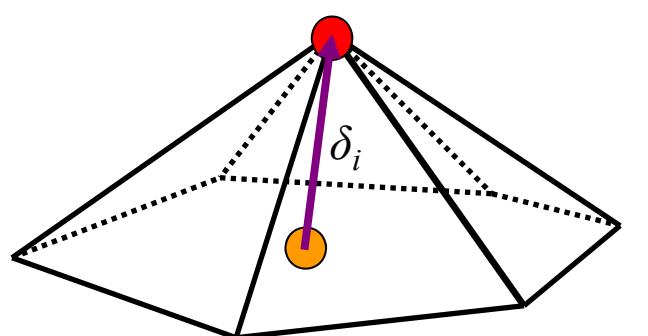
Laplacian Coordinates

Sanity Check

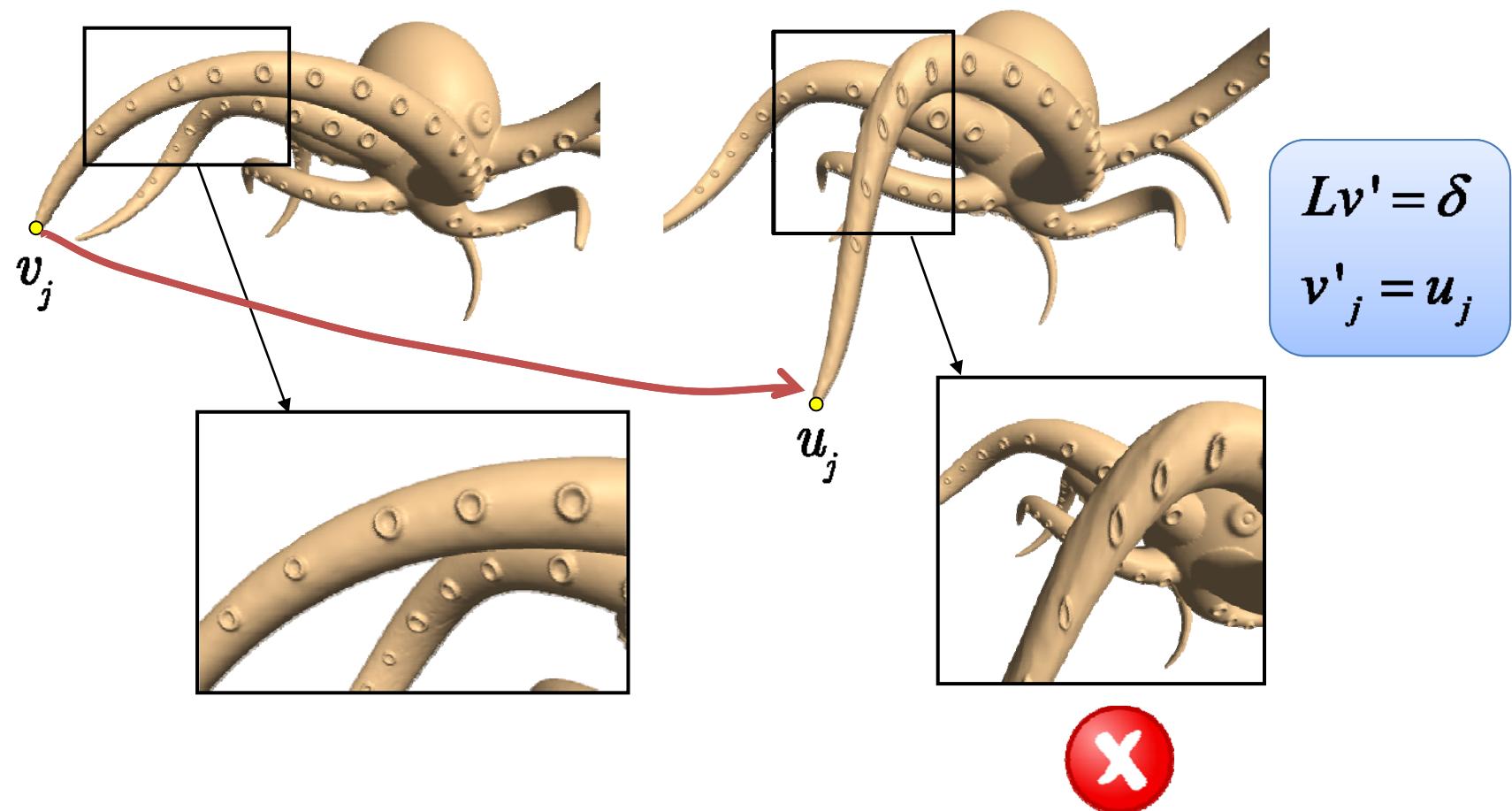
- Translation invariant? 

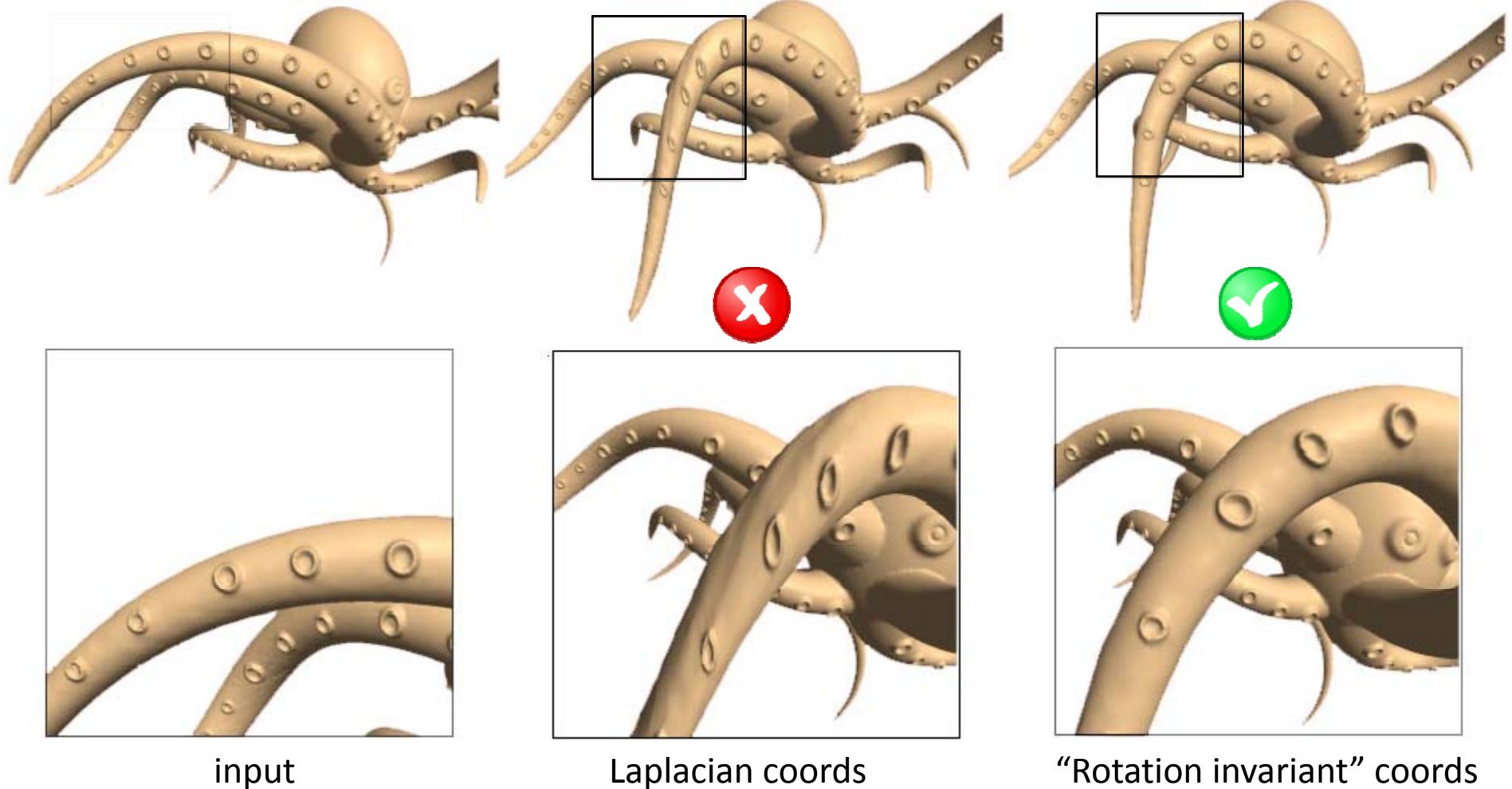
$$\delta_i = L(\mathbf{v}_i) = L(\mathbf{v}_i + \mathbf{t}) \quad \forall \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

- Rotation/scale invariant? 



Problem

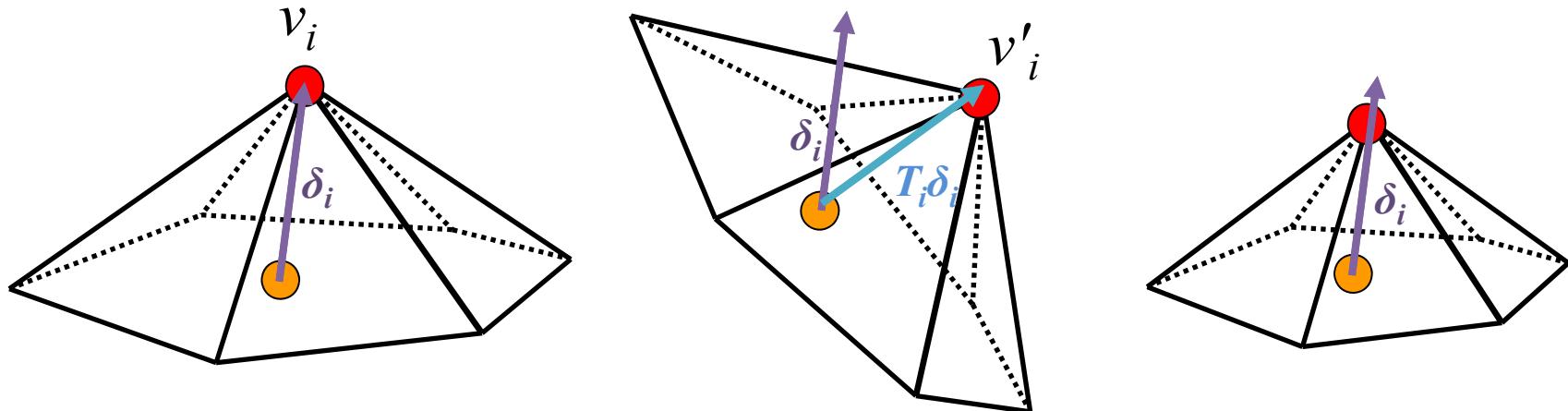




“Rotation Invariant” Coords

The representation should take into account
local rotations + scale

$$\delta_i = L(v_i) \quad T_i \delta_i = L(v'_i)$$



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local rotations + scale

$$\delta_i = L(v_i) \quad T_i \delta_i = L(v'_i)$$

Problem: T_i depends on **deformed** position v'_i

Solution: Implicit Transformations

Idea: solve for local transformation and deformed surface simultaneously

$$\mathbf{V}' = \arg \min_{\mathbf{V}'} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|L(\mathbf{v}'_i) - \mathbf{T}_i(\boldsymbol{\delta}_i)\|^2 + \sum_{j \in C} \|\mathbf{v}'_j - \mathbf{u}_j\|^2 \right)$$



Transformation
of the local frame

Similarities

Restrict T_i to “good” transformations = rotation
+ scale → similarity transformation

$$V' = \arg \min_{V'} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|L(V'_i) - T_i(\delta_i)\|^2 + \sum_{j \in C} \|V'_j - u_j\|^2 \right)$$

Similarity Transformation



Similarities

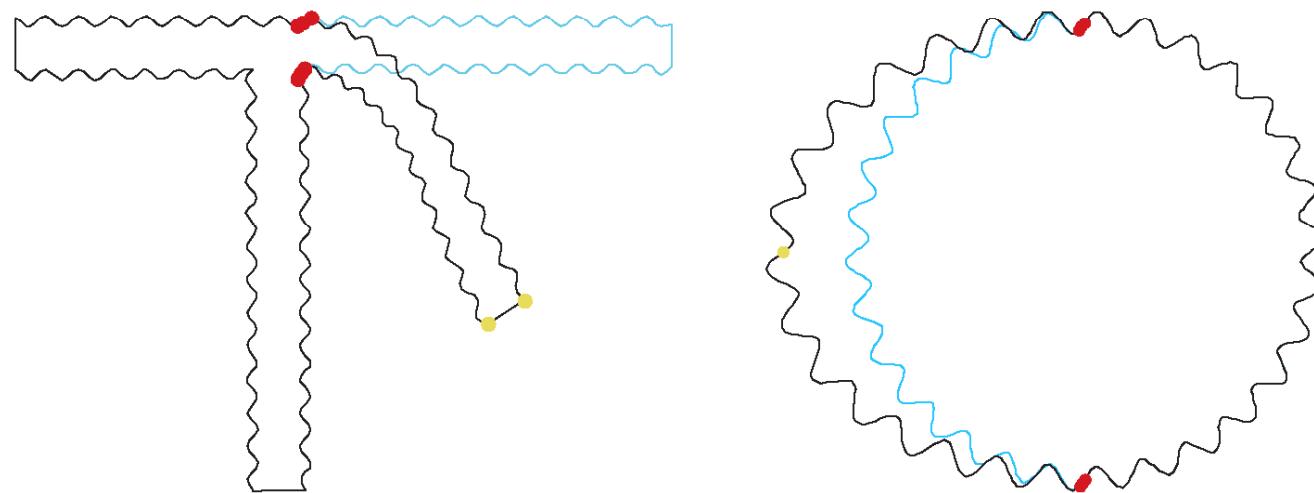
- Conditions on T_i to be a similarity matrix?
- Linear in 2D:

Auxiliary variables

$$T_i = \begin{pmatrix} s & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & d_x \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & d_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w & a & t_x \\ -a & w & t_y \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Uniform scale Rotation + translation

Similarities 2D



Similarities – 3D case

- Not linear in 3D:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \text{rotation +} \\ \text{uniform scale} \end{pmatrix} = s \exp H = s(\alpha I + \beta H + \boxed{\mathbf{h}^T \mathbf{h}})$$

\uparrow

H is 3×3 skew-symmetric, $H\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{h} \times \mathbf{x}$

- Linearize by dropping the quadratic term
 - Effectively: only **small** rotations are handled

Laplacian Coordinates

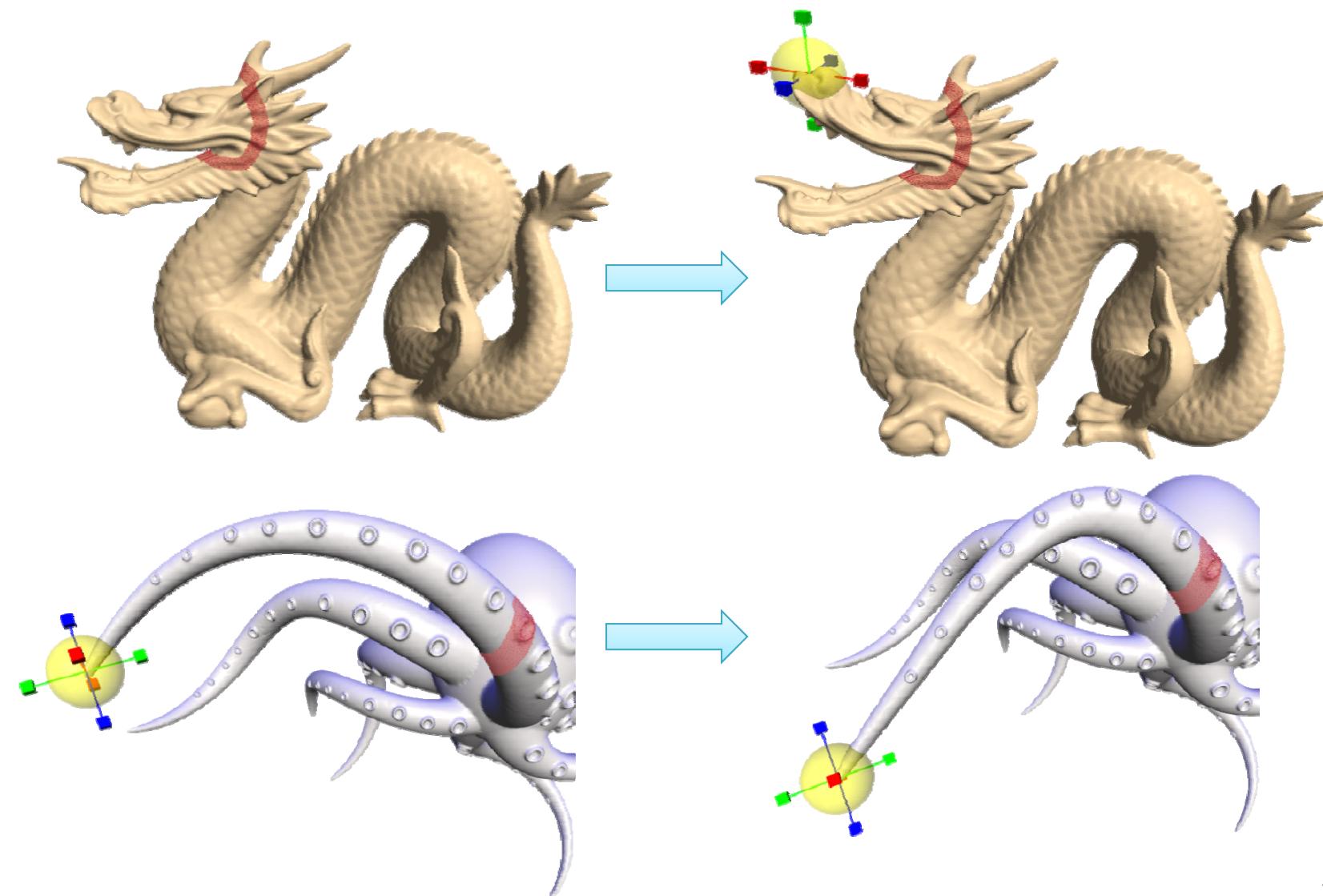
Realtime?

- Need to solve a linear system each frame

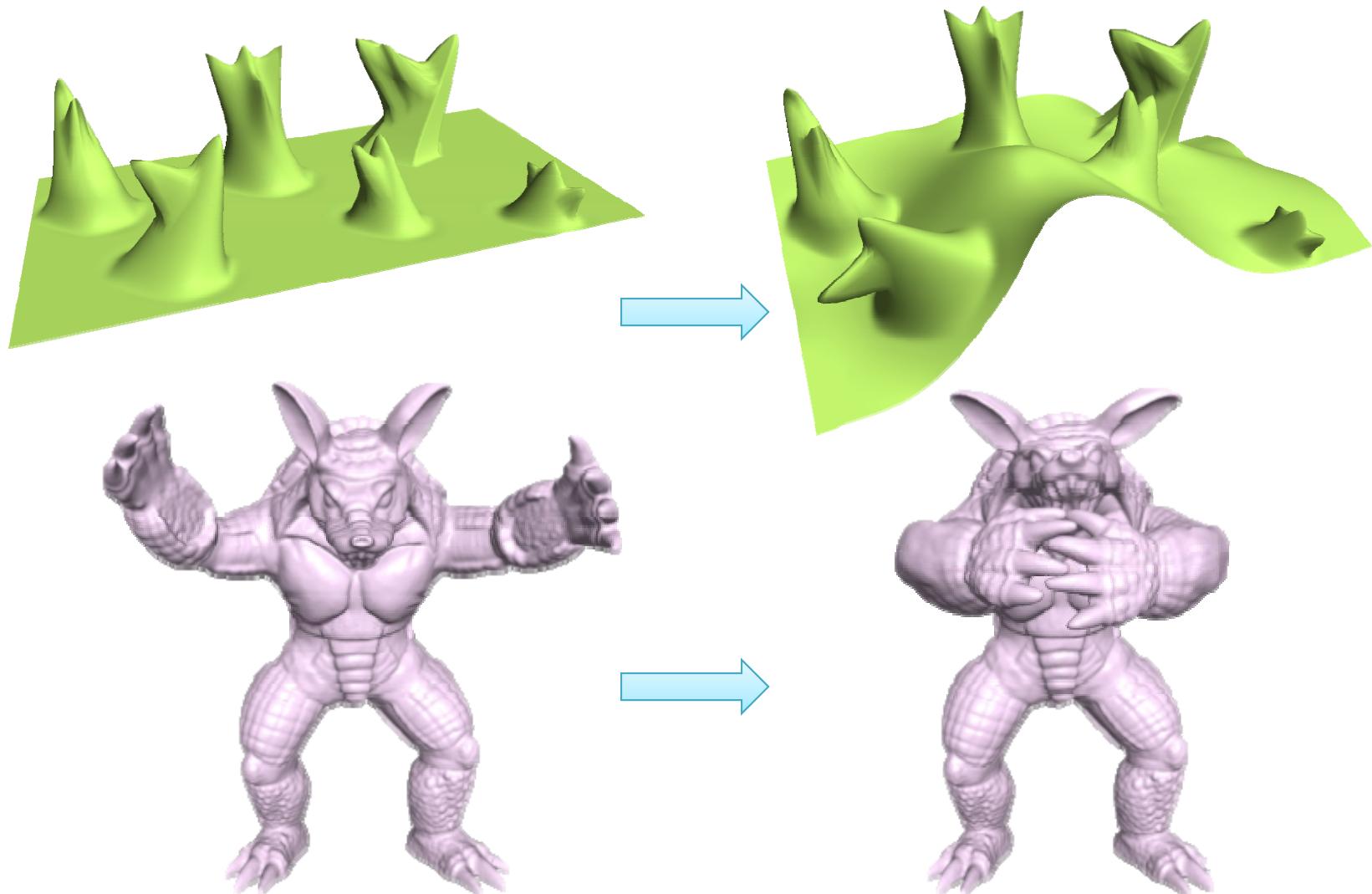
$$(A^T A)x = A^T b$$

- Precompute sparse Cholesky factorization
- Only back substitution per frame

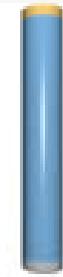
Some Results



Some Results



Limitations: Large Rotations

Approach	Pure Translation	120° bend	135° twist	70° bend
Original model				
Laplacian-based editing with implicit optimization [60]				

How to Find the Rotations?

- Laplacian coordinates – solve for them
 - Problem: not linear
- Another approach: propagate rotations from handles

Rotation Propagation

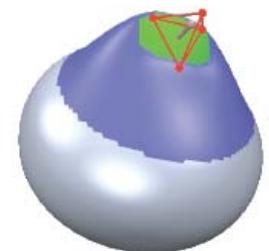
- Compute handle's “deformation gradient”
- Extract rotation and scale/shear components
- Propagate damped rotations over ROI



Deformation Gradient

- Handle has been transformed affinely

$$\mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{t}$$



- Deformation gradient is:

$$\nabla \mathbf{T}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}$$

- Extract rotation \mathbf{R} and scale/shear \mathbf{S}

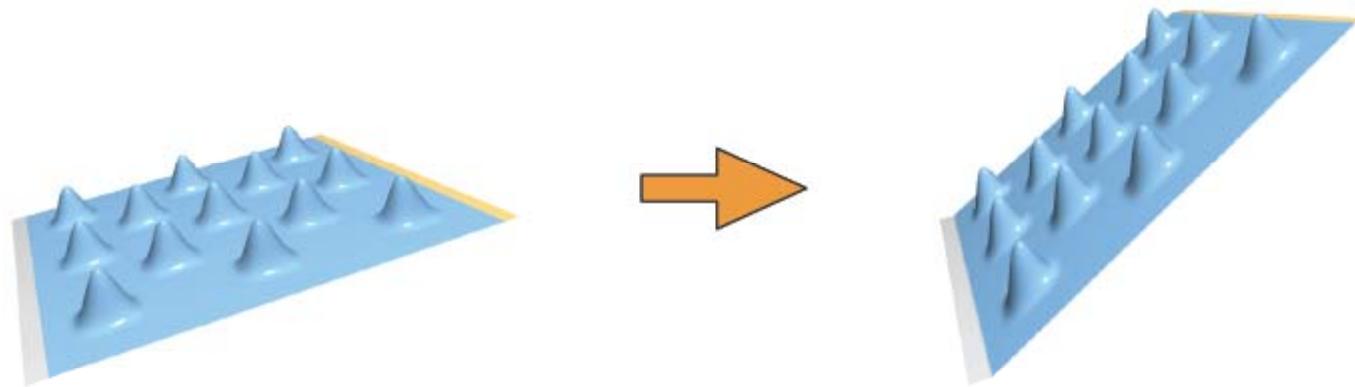
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^T \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{V}^T, \quad \mathbf{S} = \mathbf{V}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^T$$

Smooth Propagation

- Construct smooth scalar field [0,1]
 - $\alpha(\mathbf{x})=1$ Full deformation (handle)
 - $\alpha(\mathbf{x})=0$ No deformation (fixed part)
 - $\alpha(\mathbf{x})\in[0,1]$ Damp transformation (in between)
- Linearly damp scale/shear:
$$\mathbf{S}(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{S}(\text{handle})$$
- Log scale damp rotation:
$$\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \exp(\alpha(\mathbf{x})\log(\mathbf{R}(\text{handle})))$$

Limitations

- Works well for rotations
- Translations don't change deformation gradient
 - “Translation insensitivity”

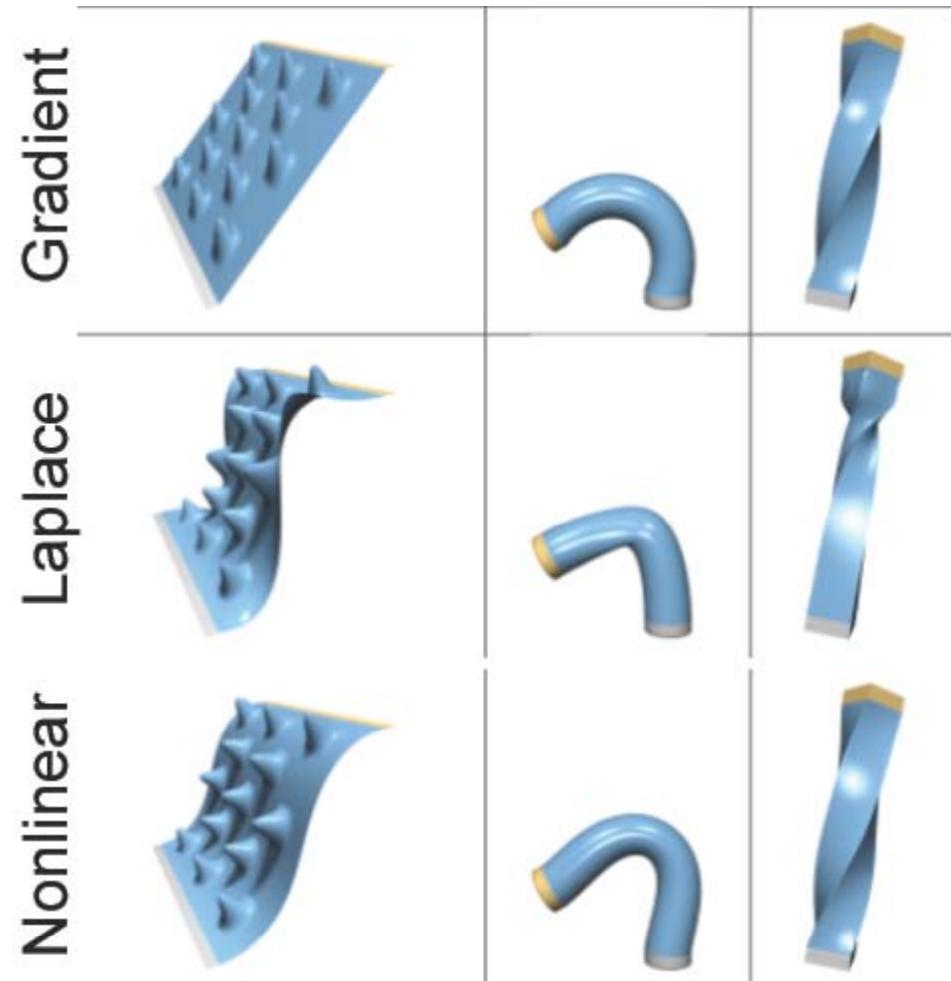


The Curse of Rotations

- Can't solve for them directly using a linear system
- Can't propagate if the handles don't rotate
- Some linear methods work for rotations
- Some work for translations
- None work for both

The Curse of Rotations

- Non linear methods work for both large rotations and translation only
- No free lunch: much more expensive



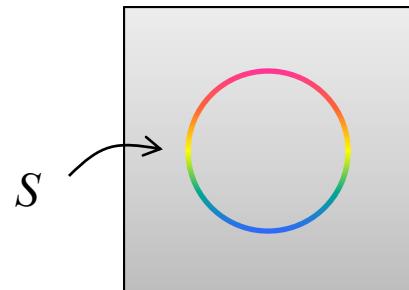
Space Deformation

- Deformation function on ambient space

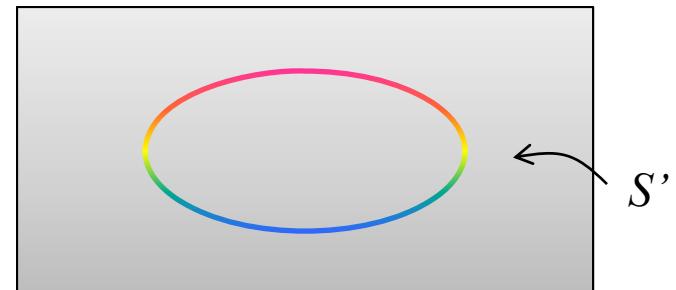
$$f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Shape S deformed by applying f to points of S

$$S' = f(S)$$



$$f(x,y) = (2x, y)$$



Motivation

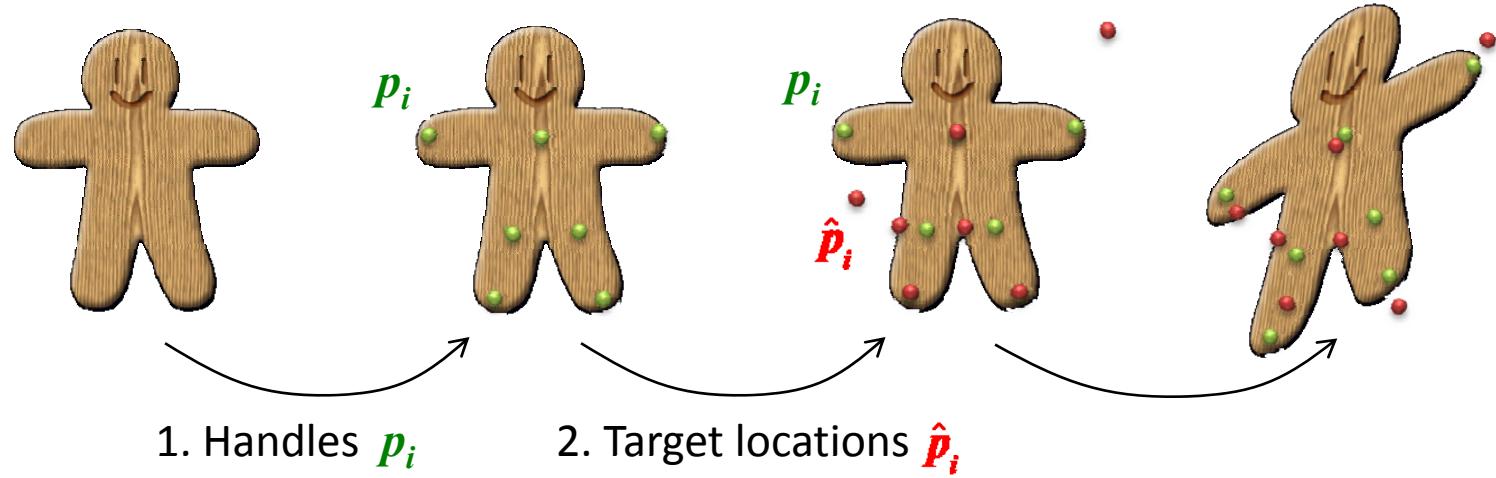
- Can be applied to any geometry
 - Meshes (= non-manifold, **multiple components**)
 - Polygon soups
 - Point clouds
 - Volumetric data
- Complexity decoupled from geometry complexity
 - Can pick the best complexity for required deformation

Required Properties

- Invariant to global operators
 - Global translation
 - Global rotation
- Smooth
- Efficient to compute
- “Intuitive deformation” ?
 - Can pose constraints as in surface deformation

MLS Deformation

[Schaeffer et al. '06]



3. Find best affine
transformation that
maps p_i to \hat{p}_i

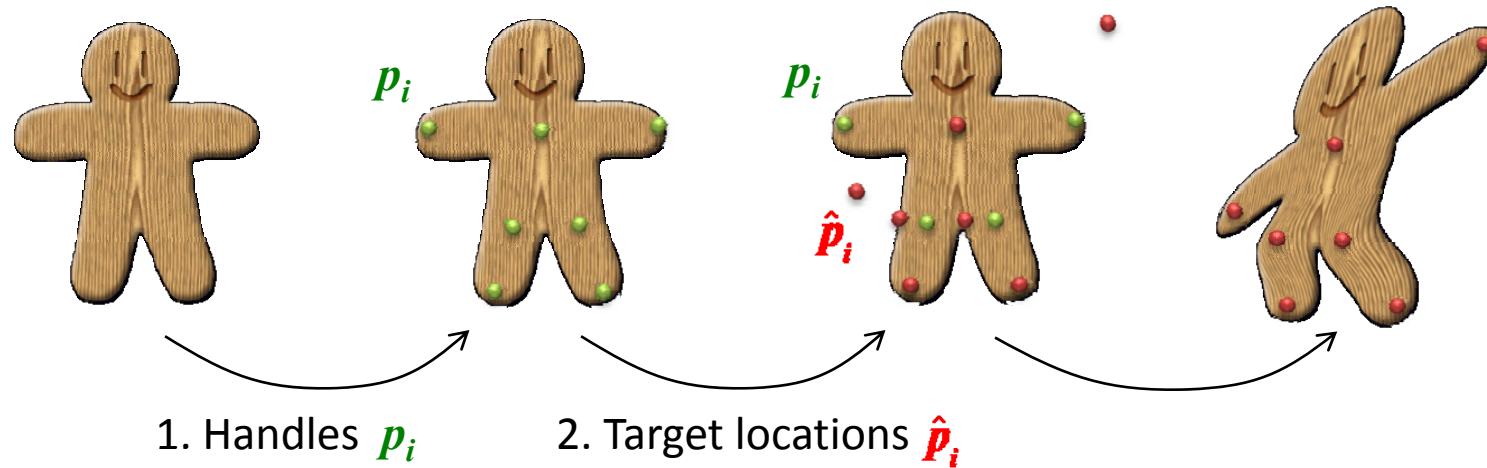
$$\min_{M,T} \sum_i \left| (M\mathbf{p}_i + T) - \hat{\mathbf{p}}_i \right|^2$$

4. Deform

$$f(v) = Mv + T$$

MLS Deformation

[Schaeffer et al. '06]

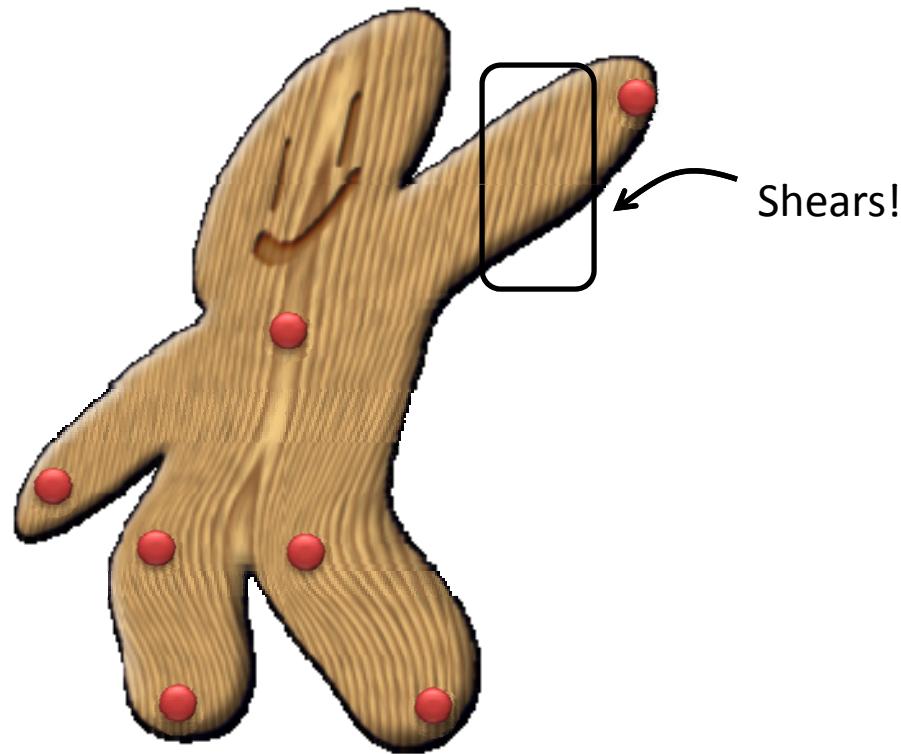


$$\min_{M,T} \sum_i \left| \frac{1}{\|p_i - v\|} (Mp_i + T) - \hat{p}_i \right|^2$$

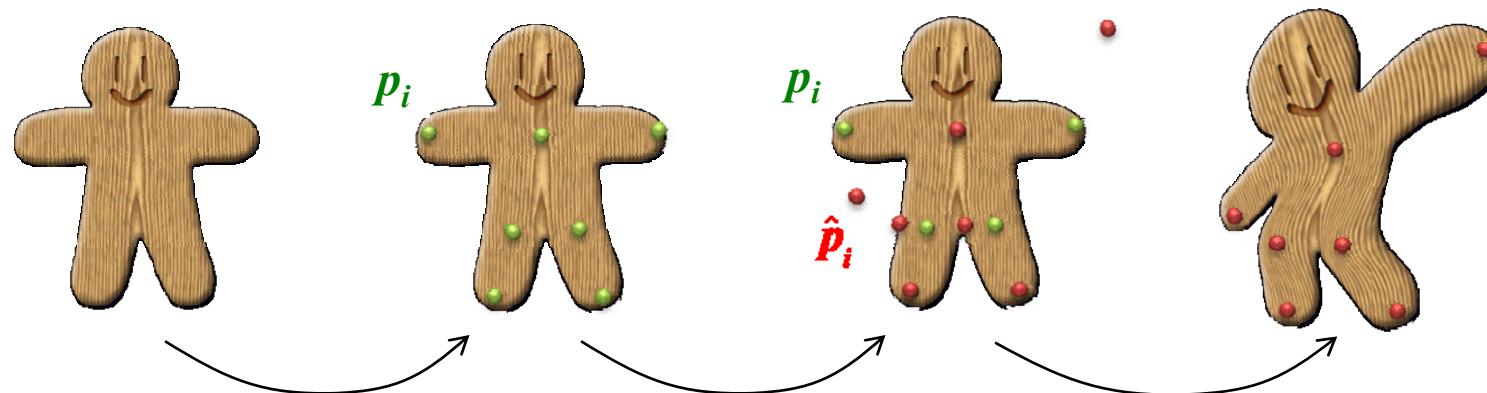
$$f(v) = Mv + T$$

Closed form solution

~~Similarity~~ Affine Transformations?



Similarity Transformations



$$M = \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\min_{\text{det } T} \sum_i \left| \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{v}\|} \left((\mathbf{M} \mathbf{p}_i + \mathbf{T}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{x,i} \\ \mathbf{p}_{y,i} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_{x,i} \\ \mathbf{p}_{y,i} \end{pmatrix}^2 \mathbf{\hat{p}}_i + \mathbf{T} \right) - \mathbf{\hat{p}}_i \right|^2$$

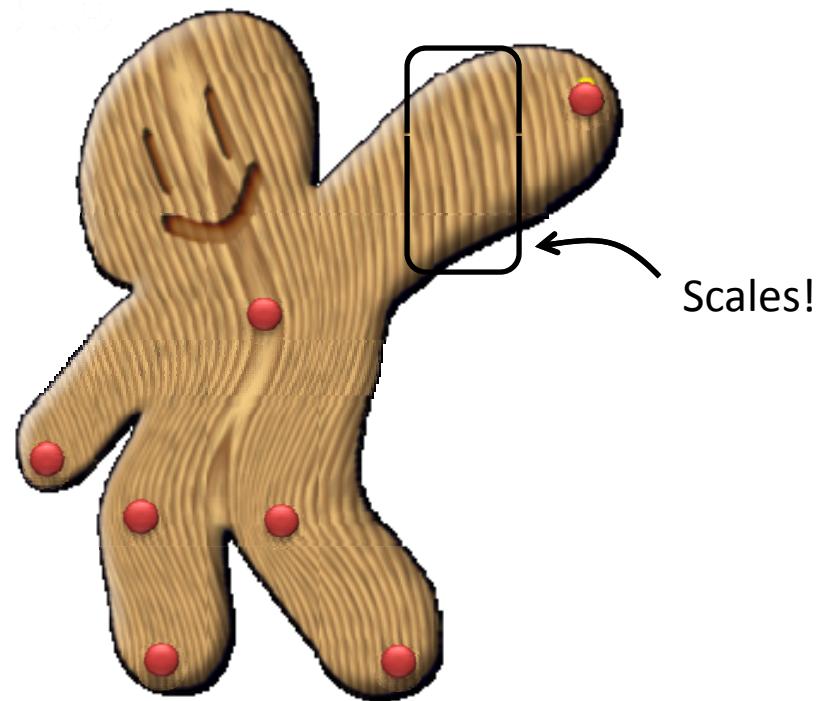
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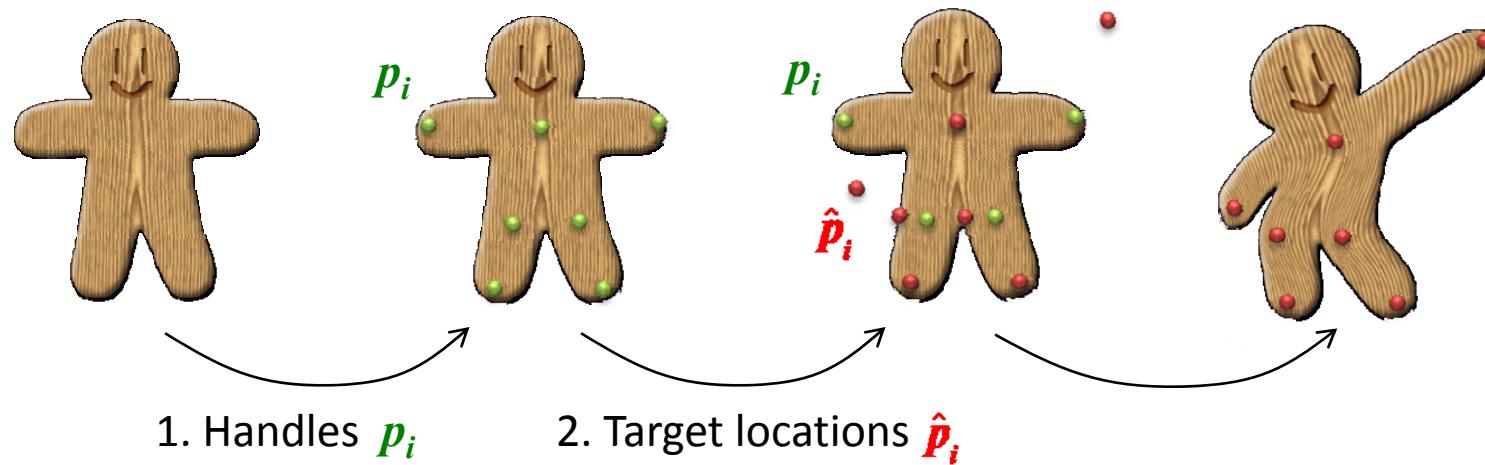
Closed form solution

Rigid

~~Similarity Transformations?~~



Rigid Transformations



$$c^2 + s^2 = 1$$

3. Find best rigid transformation that maps p_i to \hat{p}_i

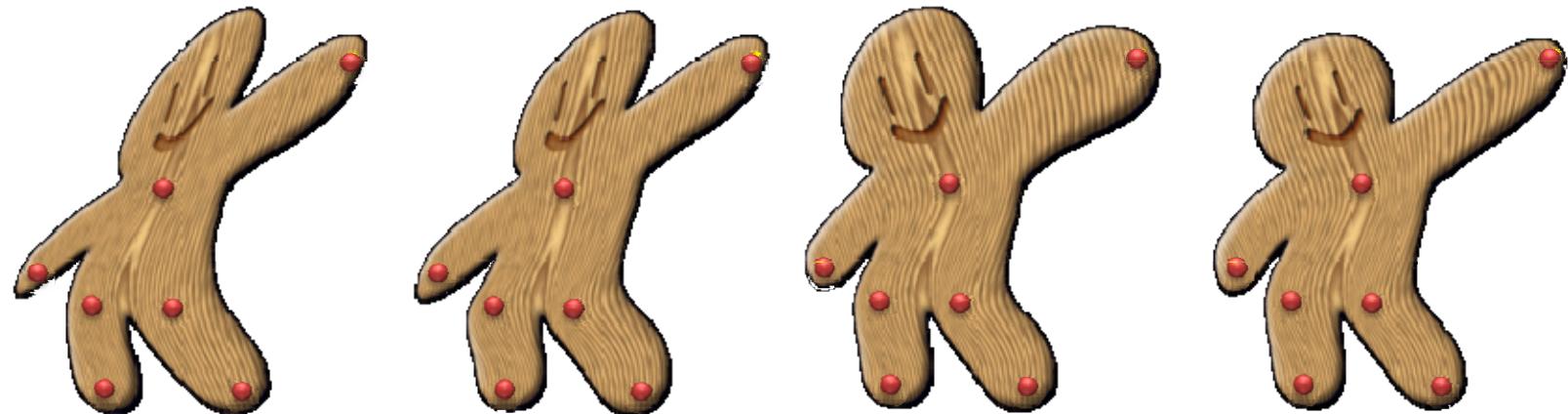
$$\min_{c,s,T} \sum_i \left\| \frac{1}{\|p_i - v\|} \left(\begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_{x,i} & p_{y,i} \\ p_{y,i} & -p_{x,i} \end{pmatrix} + T \right) - \hat{p}_i \right\|^2$$

4. Deform

$$f(v) = Mv + T$$

Closed form solution given best similarity

Comparison



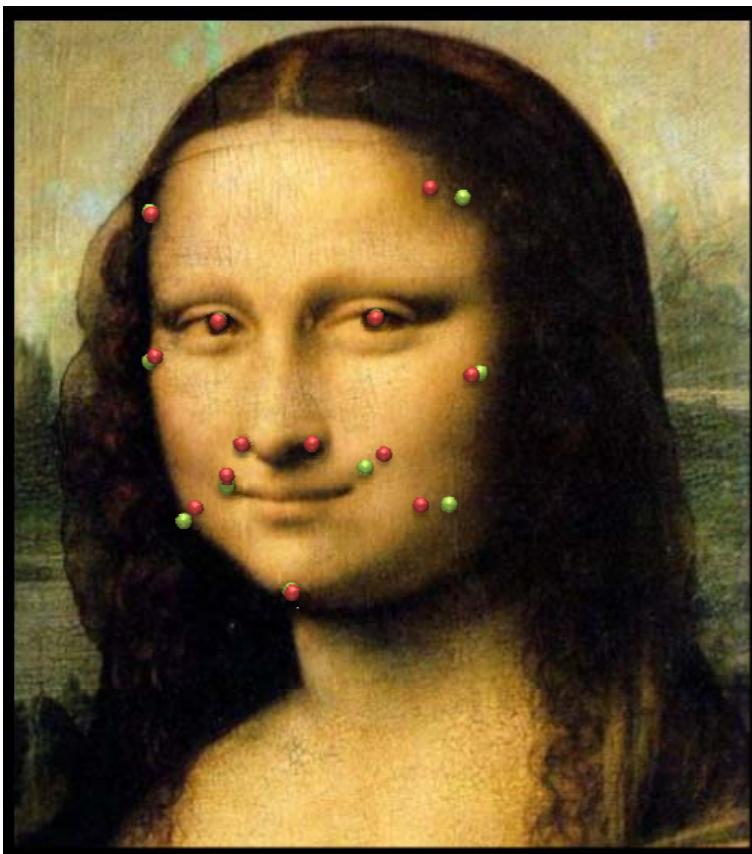
Thin-Plate
[Bookstein '89]

Affine MLS

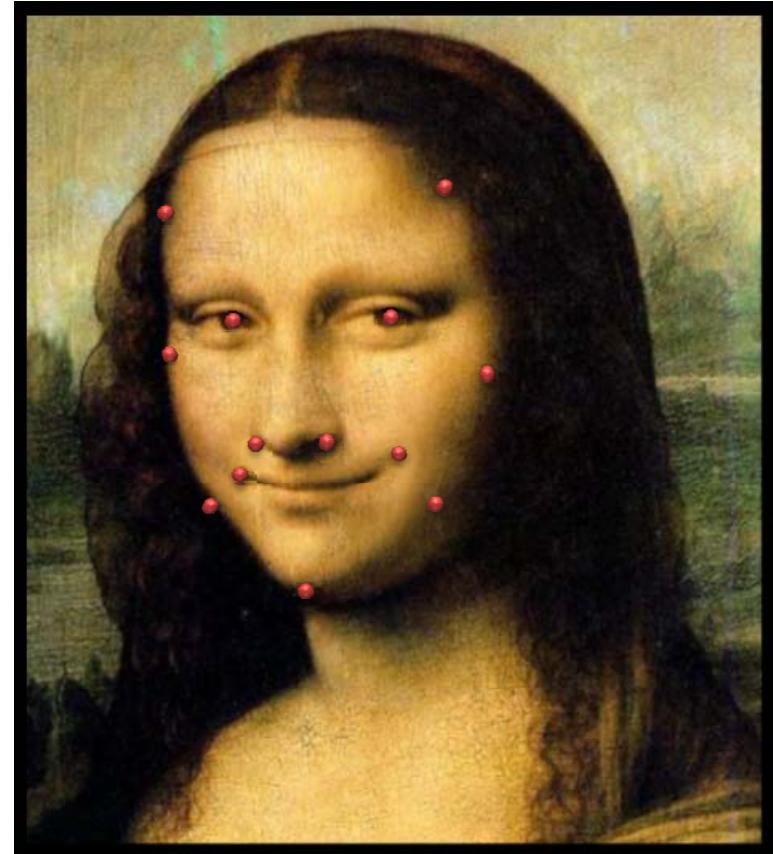
Similarity MLS

Rigid MLS

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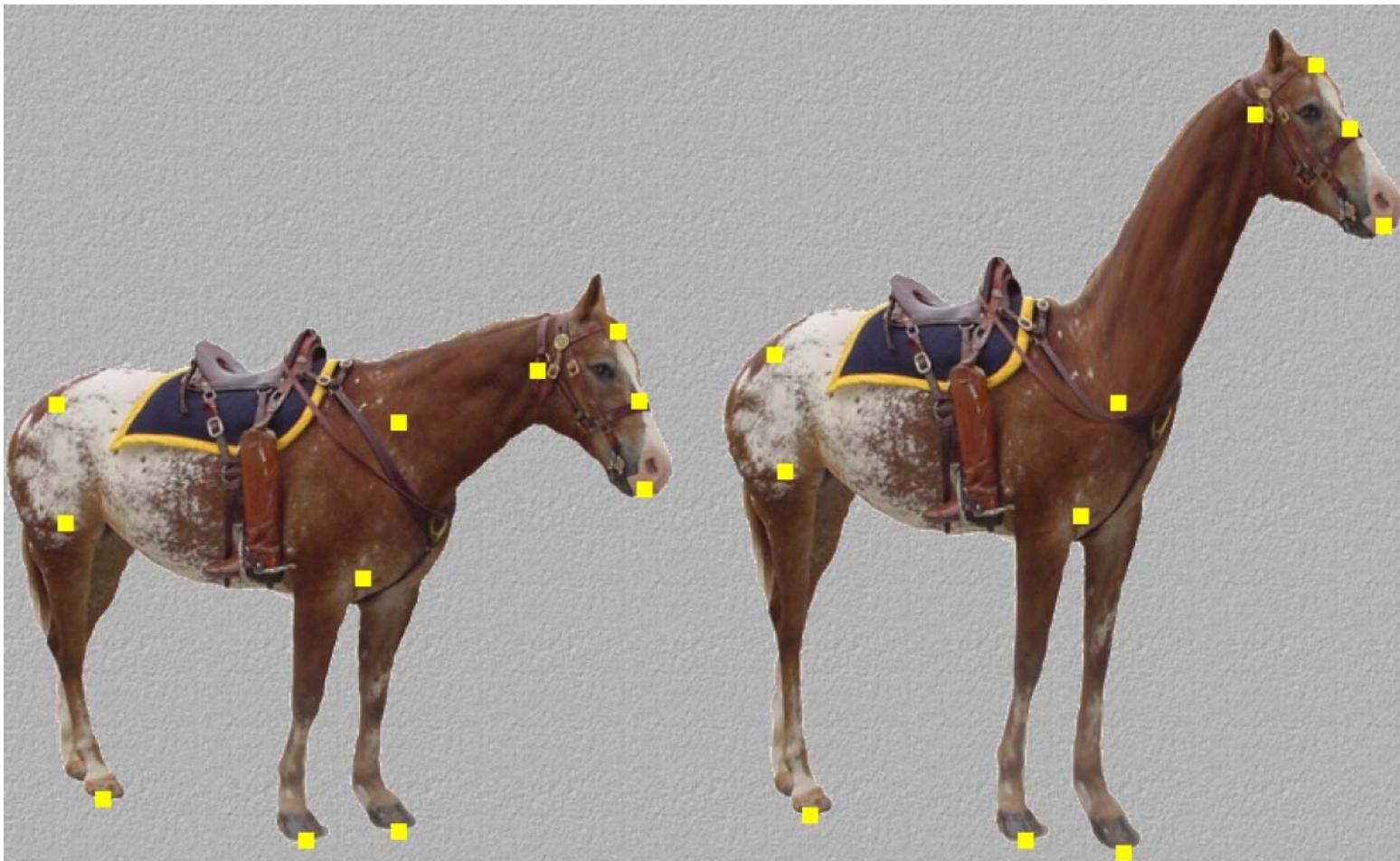


Before



After

Examples

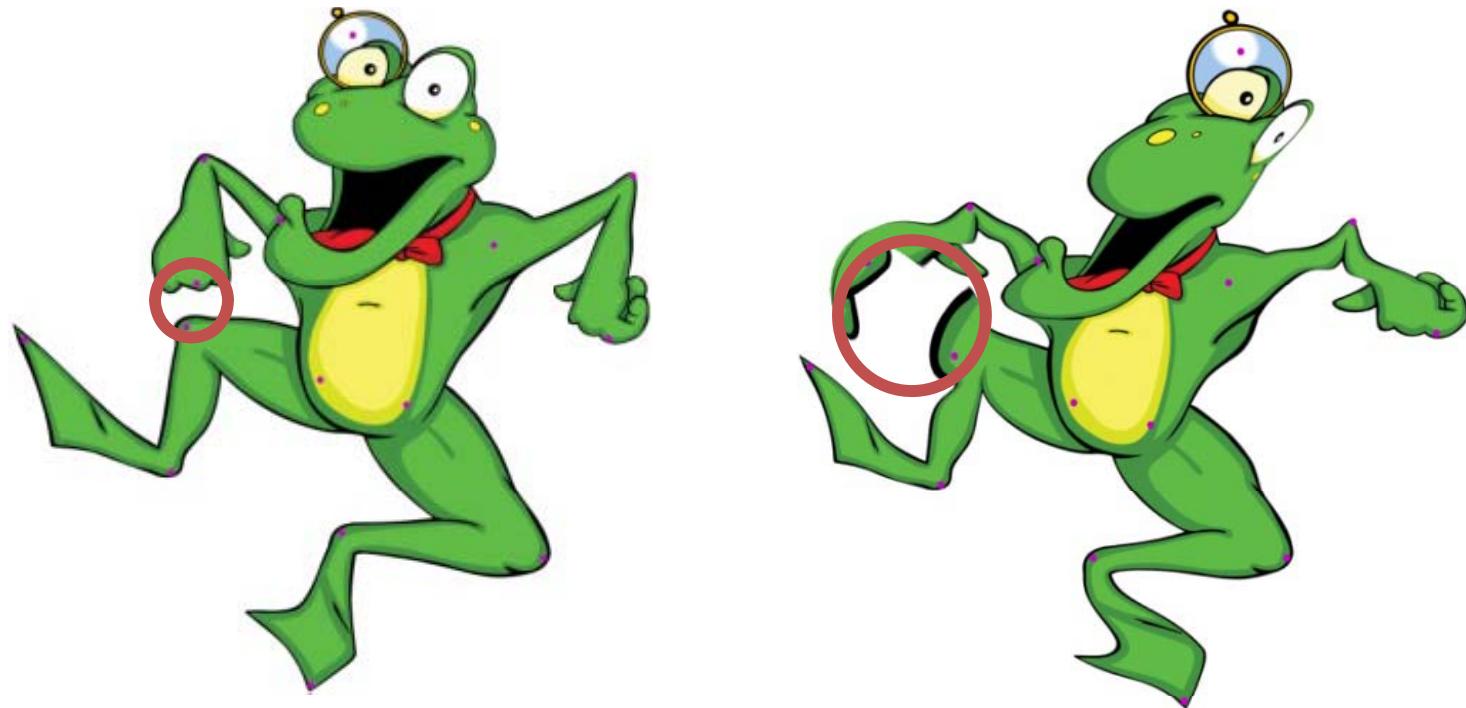


Horse

Giraffe

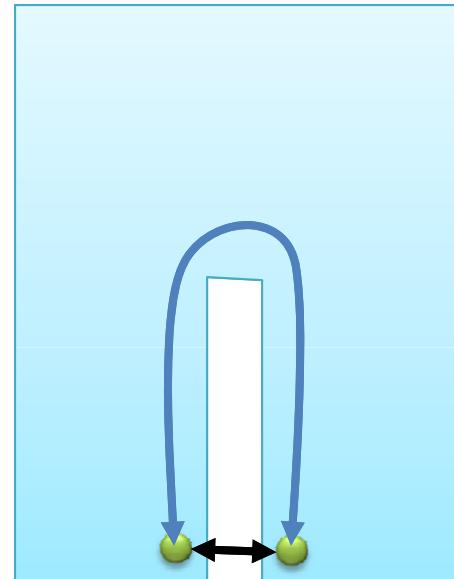
Limitations

Deforms all space - is not “shape aware”



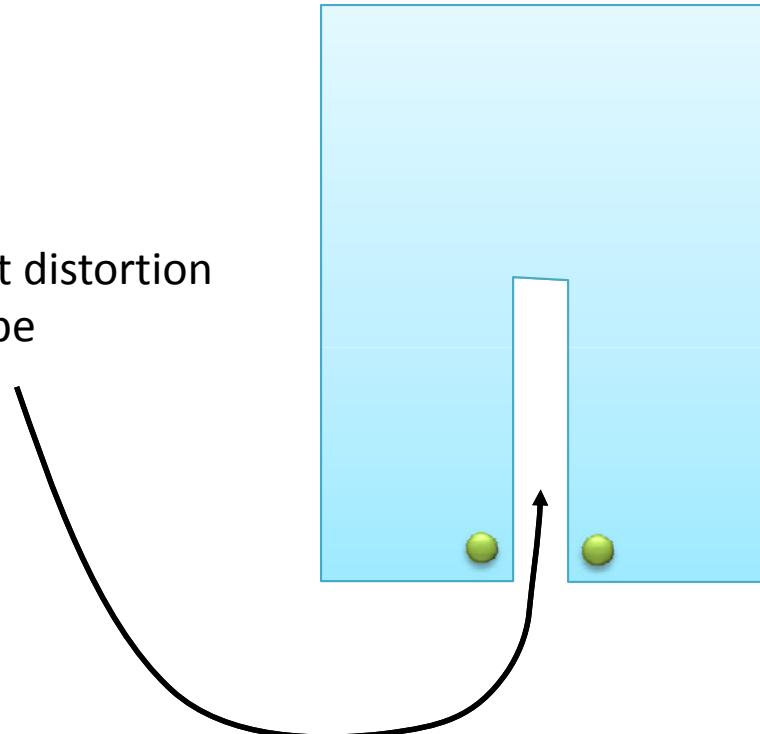
The “Pants” Problem

Small Euclidean distance
Large **geodesic** distance



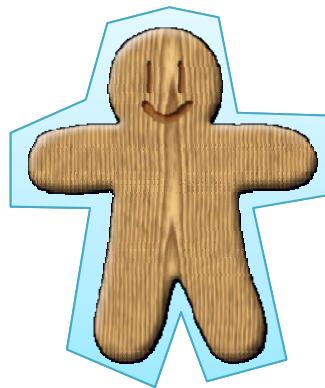
The “Pants” Problem

Don't care about distortion
outside the shape



Solution: Cages

- Enclose the shape in a “cage” $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$
- Deformation function defined only on cage

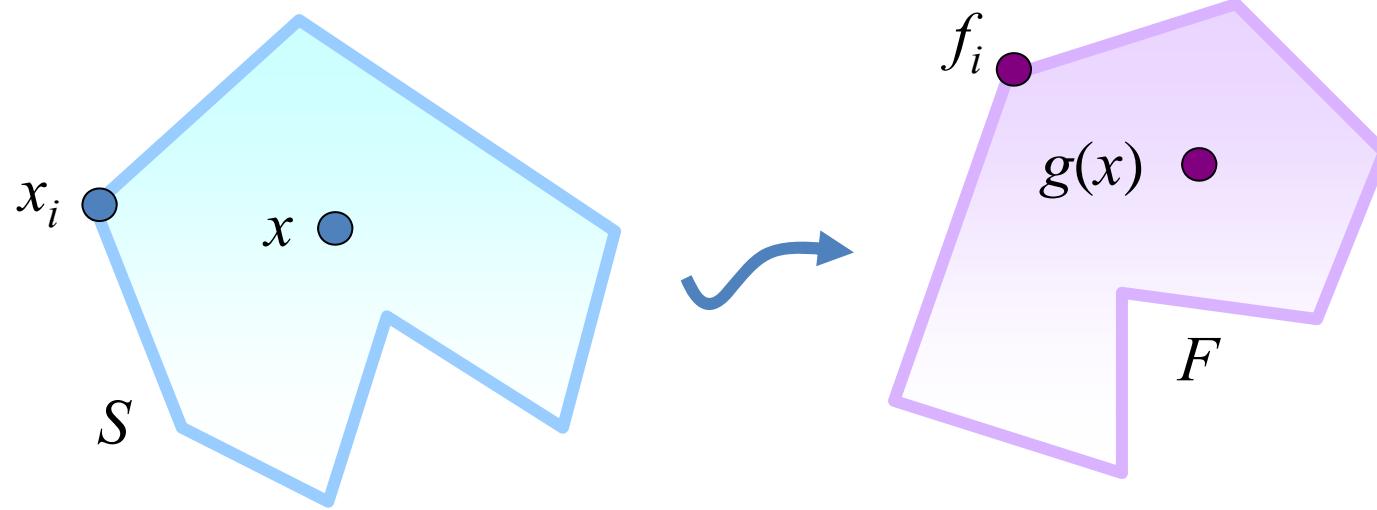


$$f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

- New problem: how to build the cage?



Deformation with a Cage



$$S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

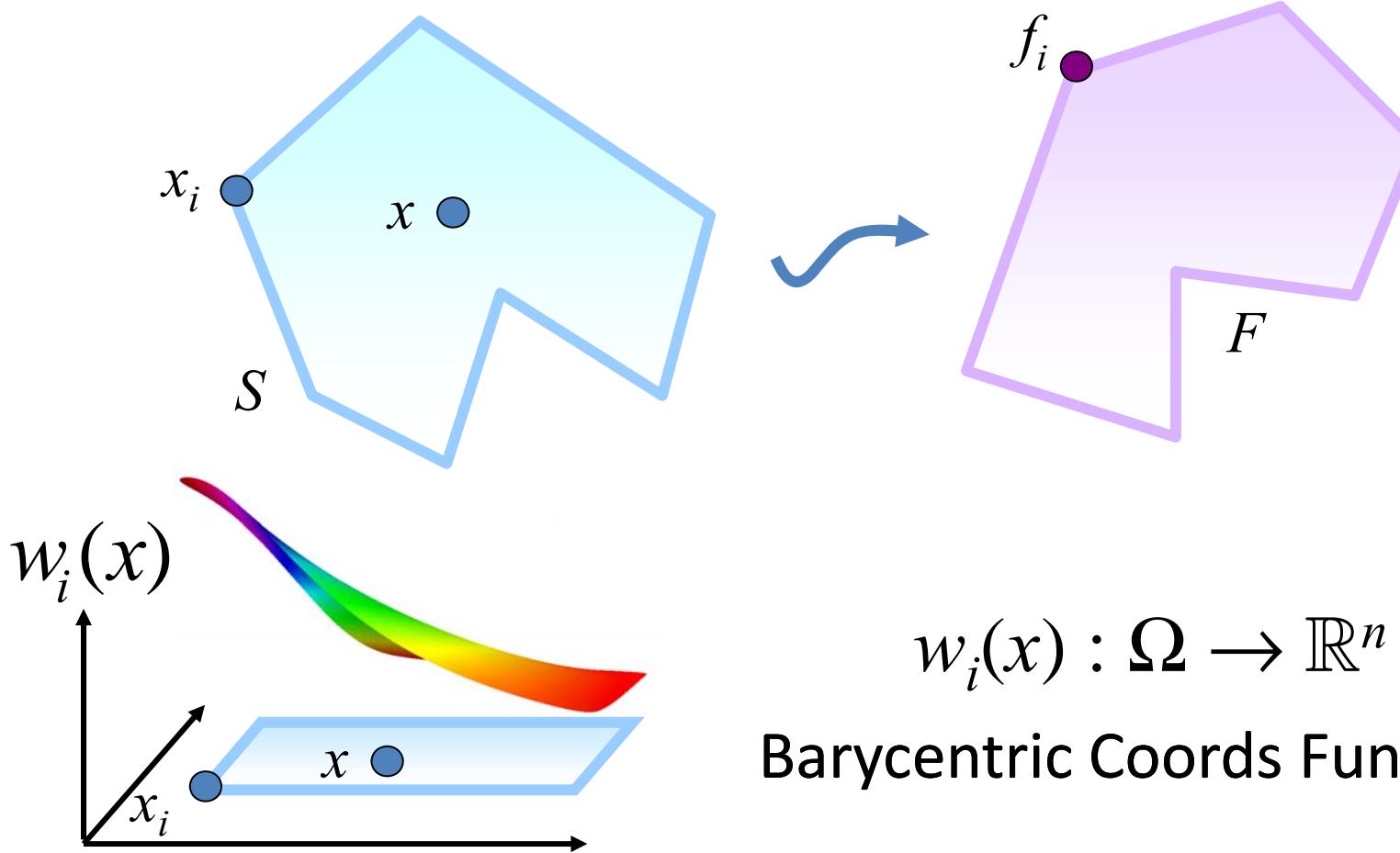
Source polygon

$$x_i \rightarrow f_i$$

Target polygon

$$g(x) = ? \quad \text{Interior?}$$

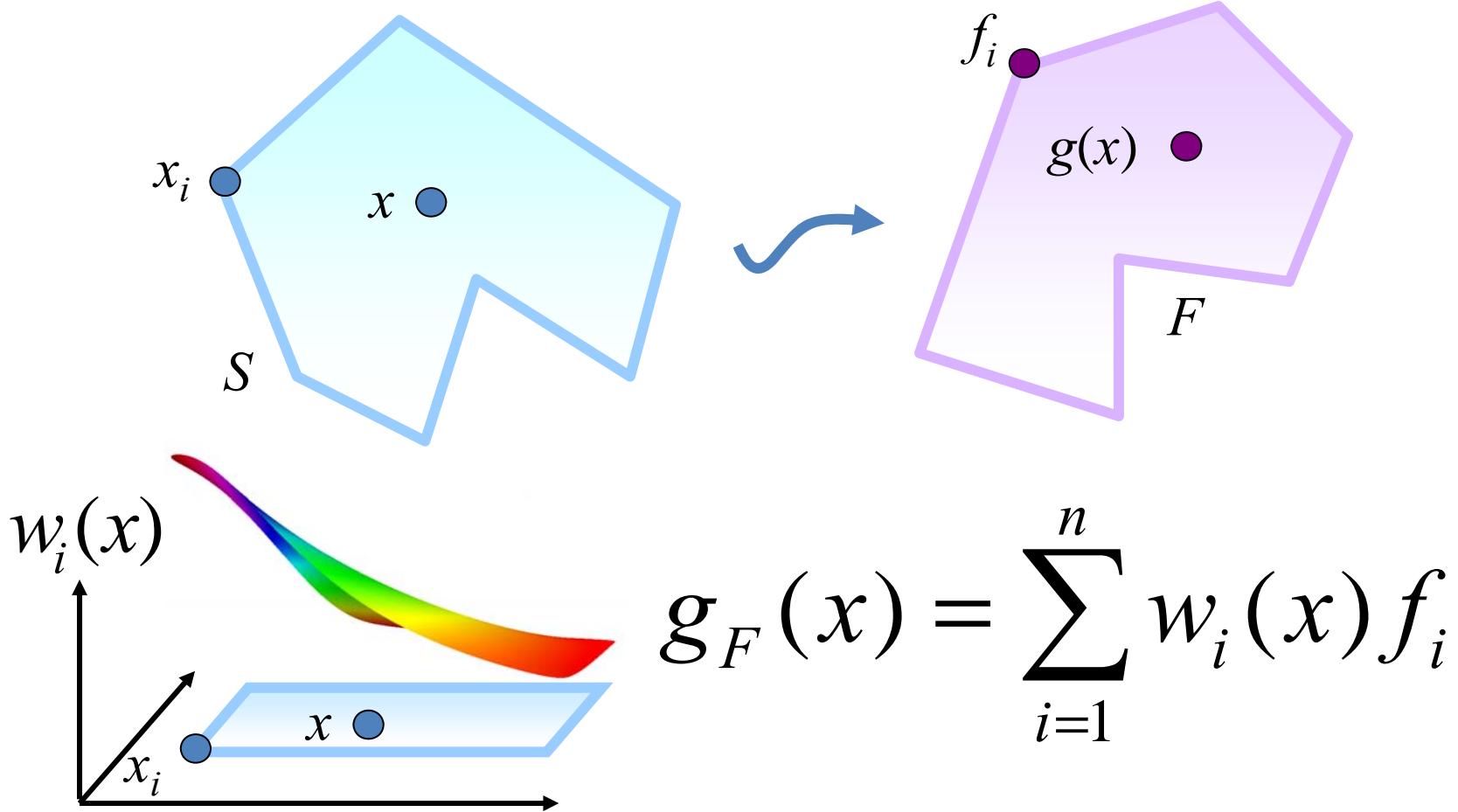
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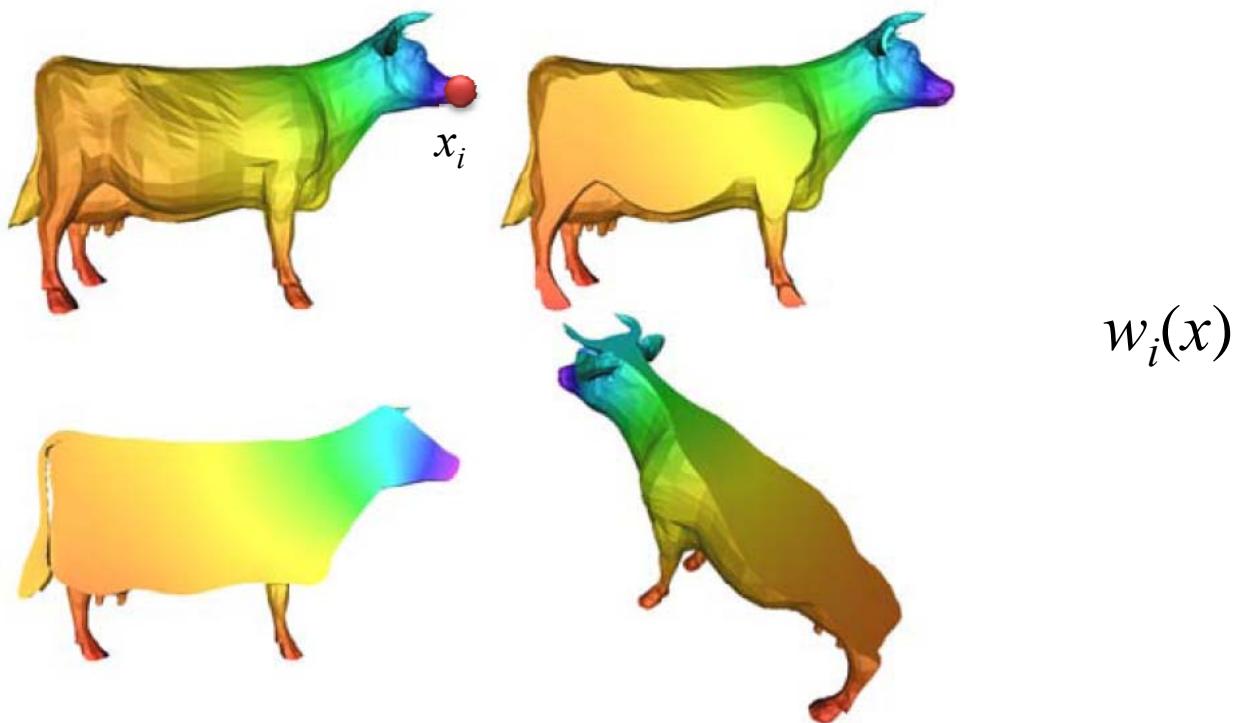
$$w_i(x) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

Barycentric Coords Function

Barycentric Coordinates

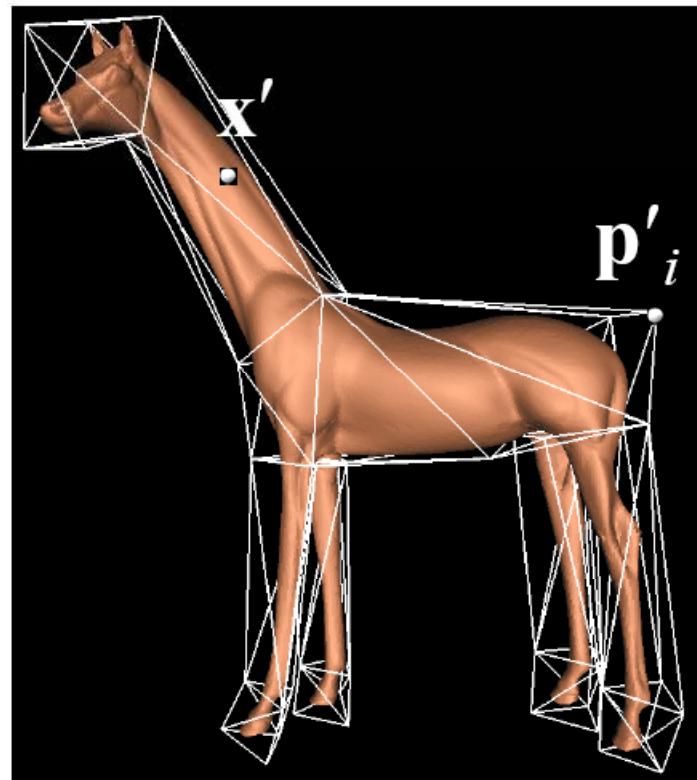
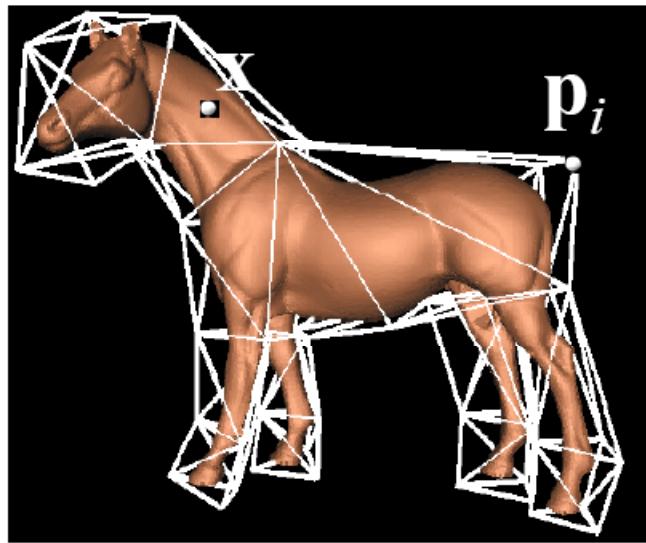


Example



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$$\mathbf{x}' = \sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{p}'_i$$



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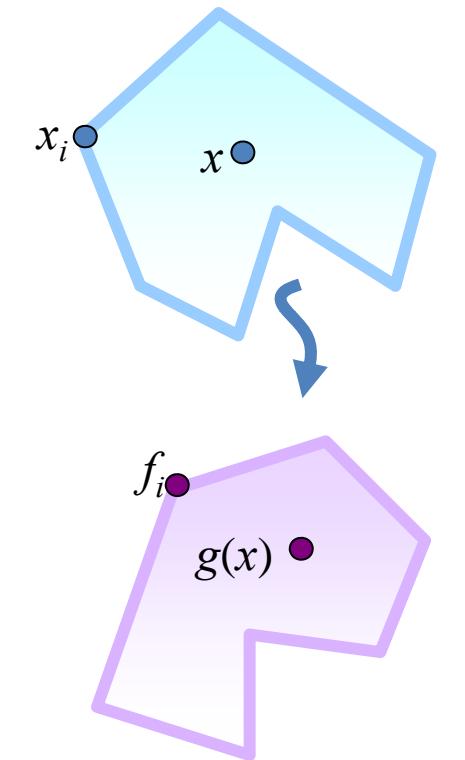
Required properties

- Translation invariance (constant precision)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i(x) = 1$$

- Reproduction of identity (linear precision)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n w_i(x)x_i = x$$



$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i(x)f_i$$

Barycentric Coordinates

Constant + linear precision = affine invariance

$$g_{Ax_i+T}(x) =$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ x \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ | \\ 1 \end{array}$$

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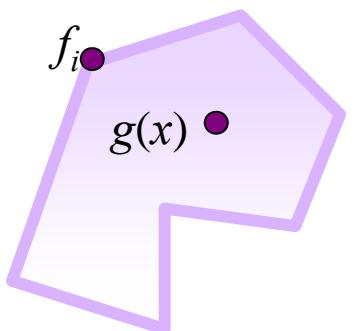
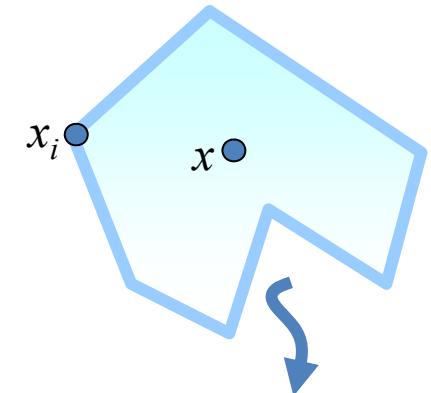
Required properties

- Smoothness – at least C1
- Interpolation (Lagrange property)

$$f(x_j) = f_j$$



$$w_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$$



$$g(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i(x) f_i$$

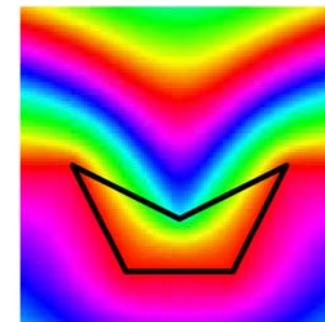
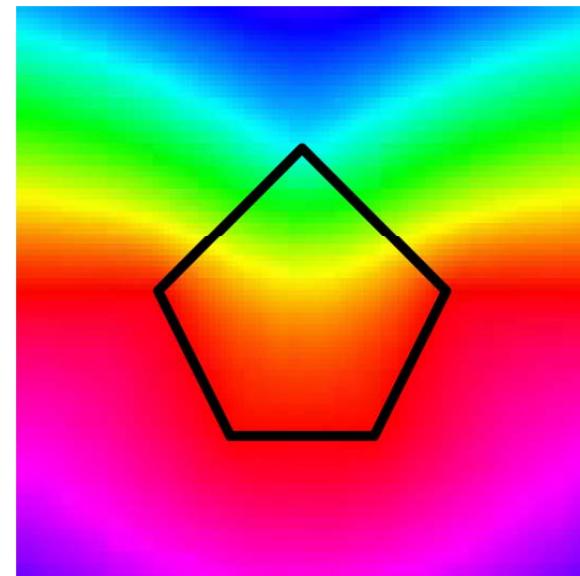
Example: Mean Value Coords

[3D: Ju et al '05]

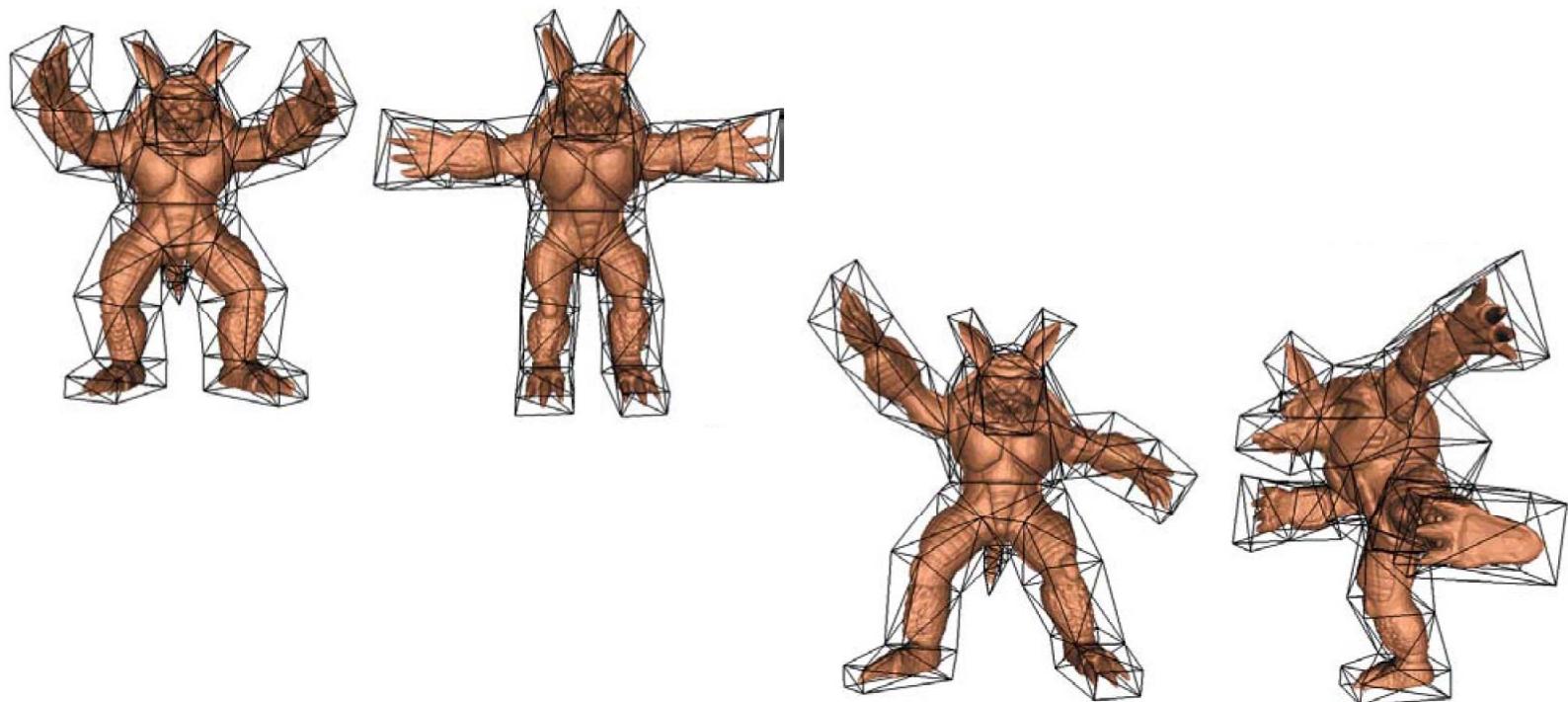
$$k_i(x) = \frac{\tan\left(\frac{\alpha_{i-1}}{2}\right) + \tan\left(\frac{\alpha_i}{2}\right)}{|x_i - x|}$$

$$w_i(x) = \frac{k_i(x)}{\sum_i k_i(x)}$$

Closed form!



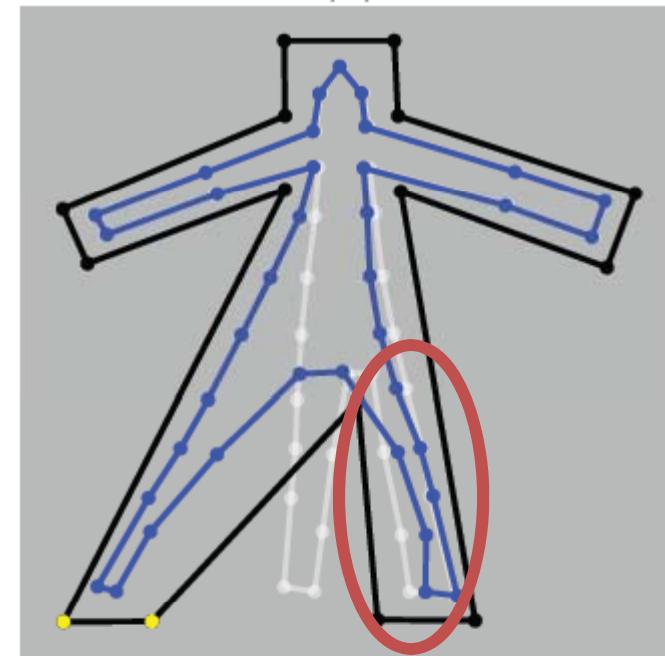
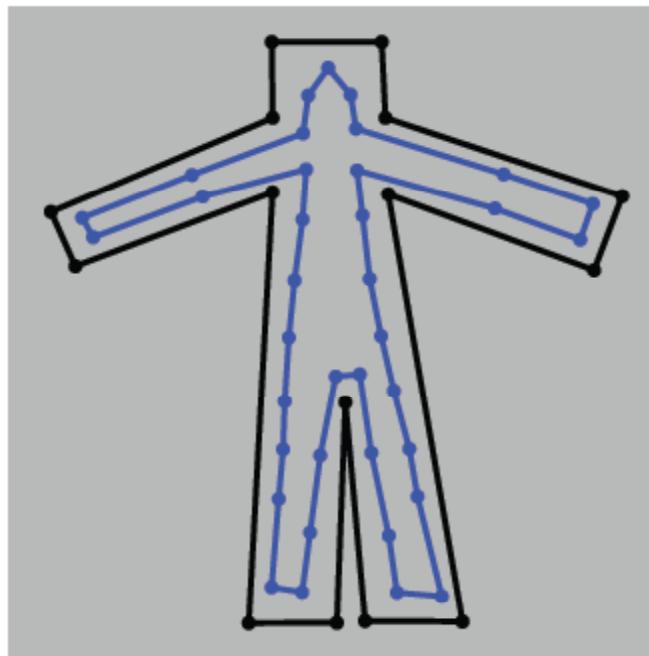
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MV - Limitations

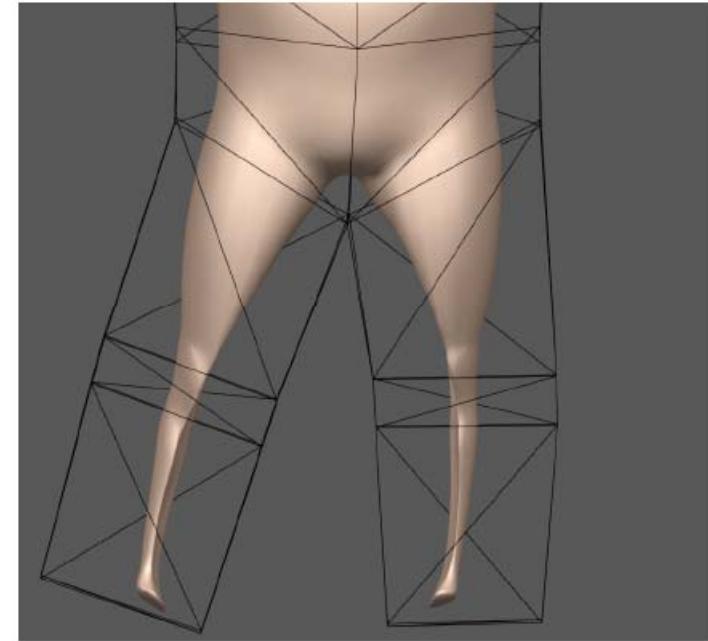
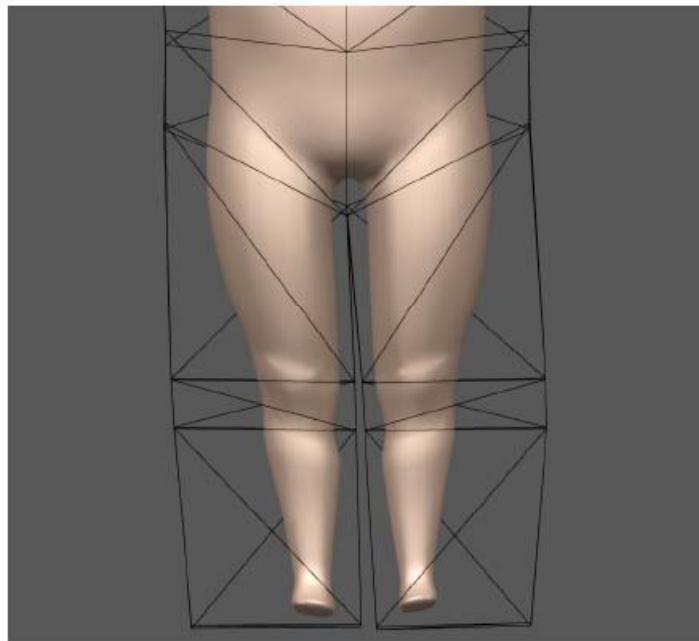
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MV **negative** on concave polygons



MV - Limitations

Other leg moves in opposite (!) direction



Barycentric Coords

Additional property required:

$$w_i(x) \geq 0$$

Mean value coords only positive
on convex polygons

Harmonic Coordinates

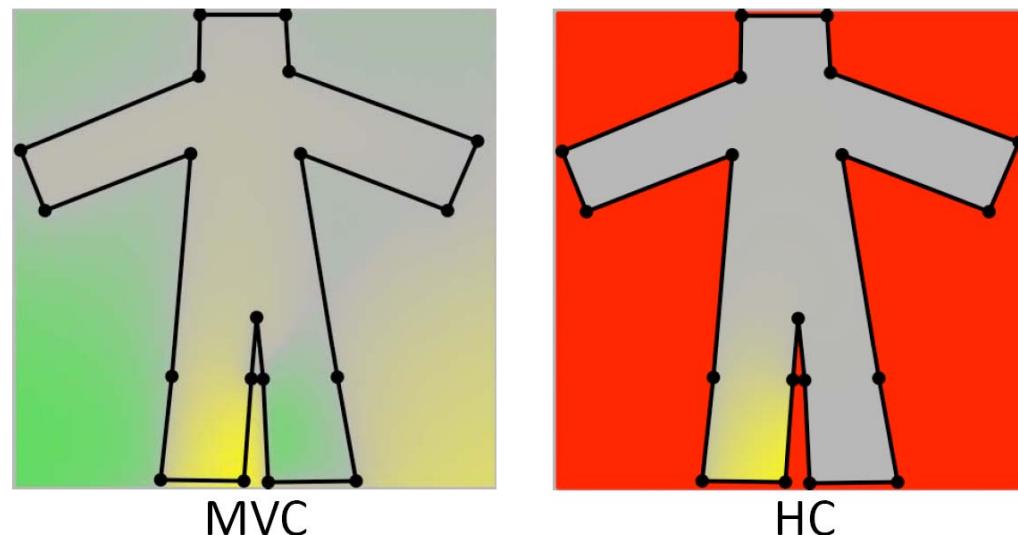
[Joshi et al '07]

Solve for $w_i(x)$:

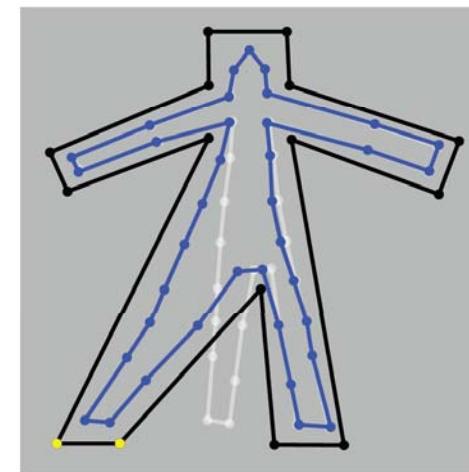
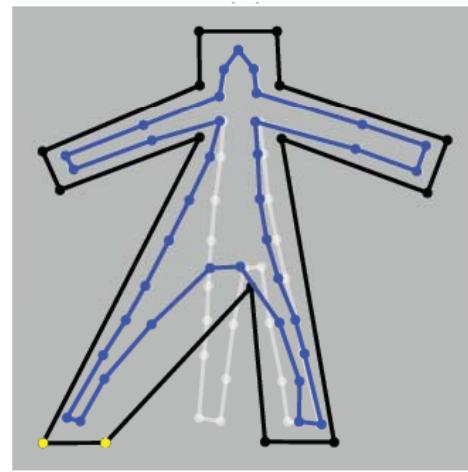
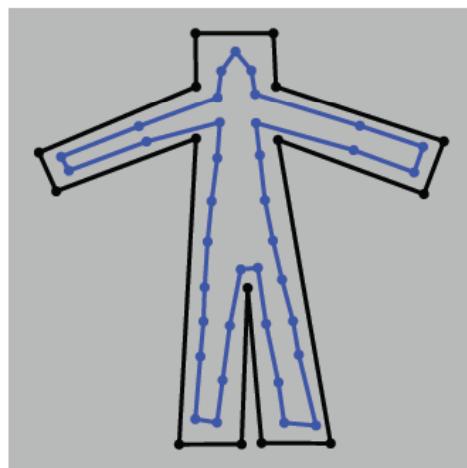
$$\nabla^2 w_i(x) = 0$$

subject to: w_i linear on the boundary and

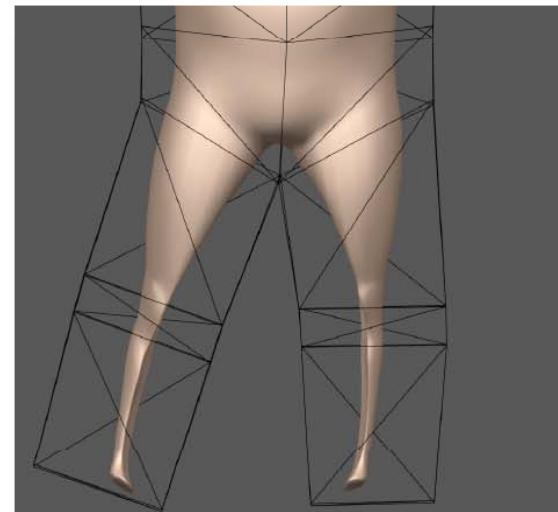
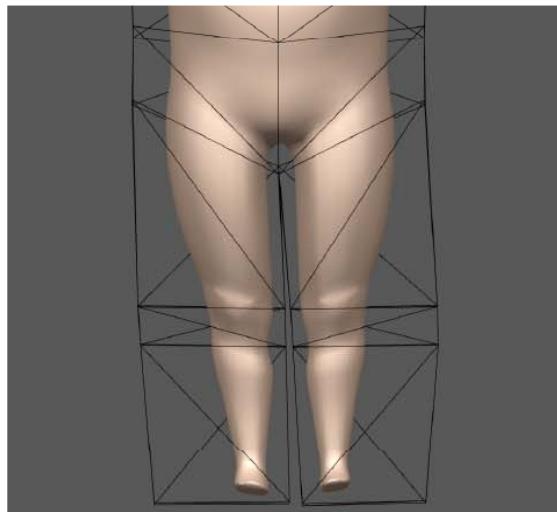
$$w_i(x_j) = \delta_{ij}$$



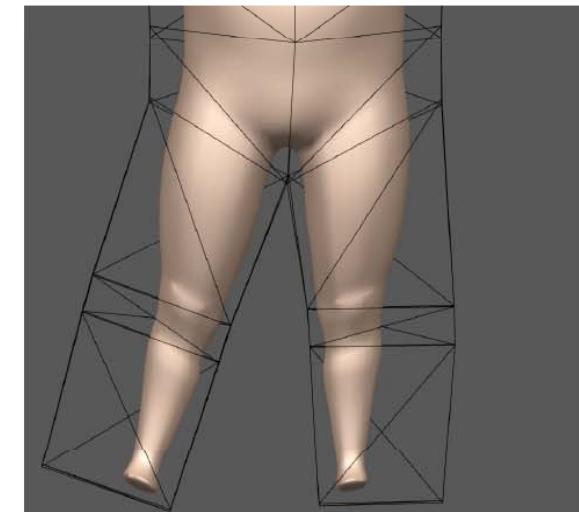
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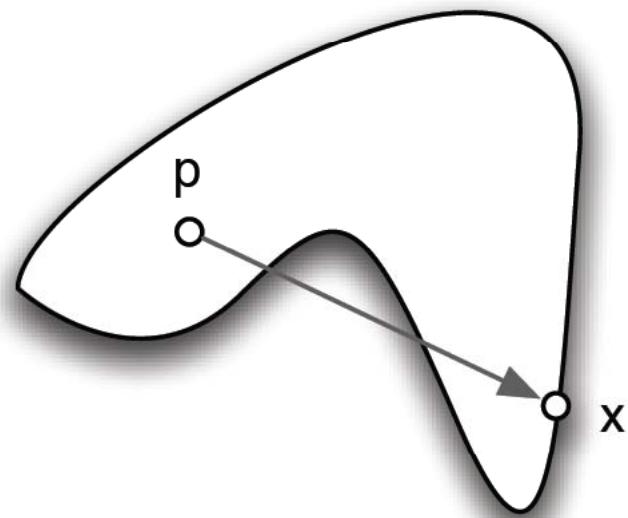
MVC



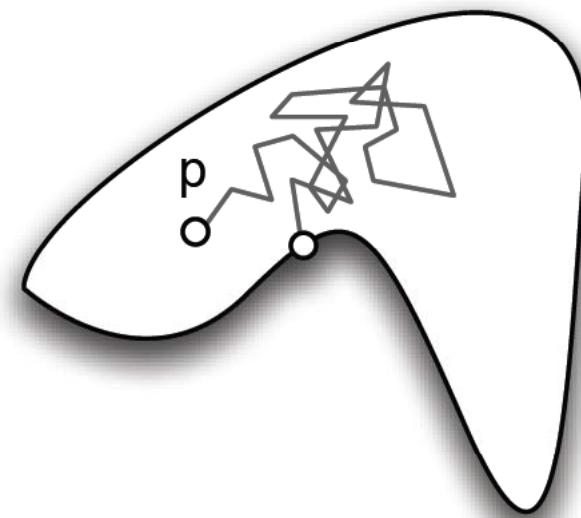
HC

Harmonic Coordinates

Why does it work?



MVC use
Euclidean distances



HC use
resistance distances

Harmonic Coordinates

Properties:

- All required properties
 - Smooth, translation + rotation invariant
- Positive everywhere
- No closed form, need to solve a PDE

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