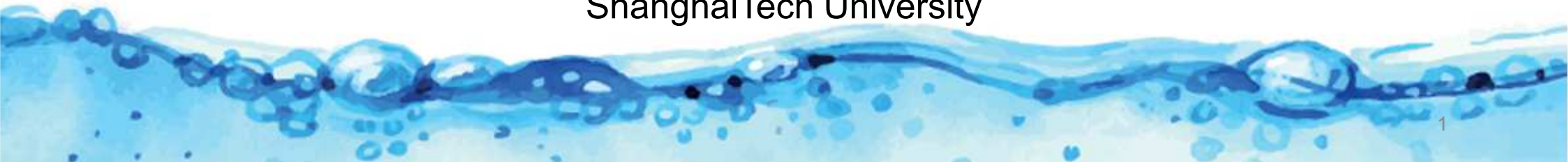


Computer Animation & Physical Simulation

Lecture 12: Soft-Body Simulation – Deformable Solids

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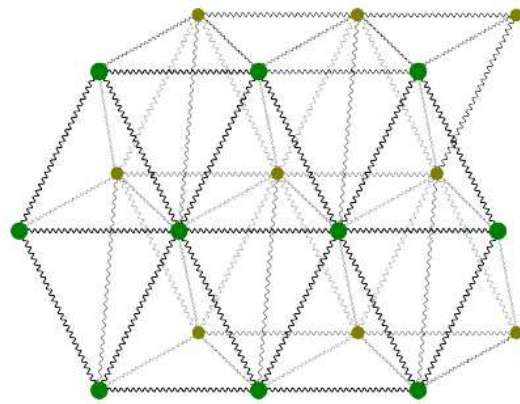
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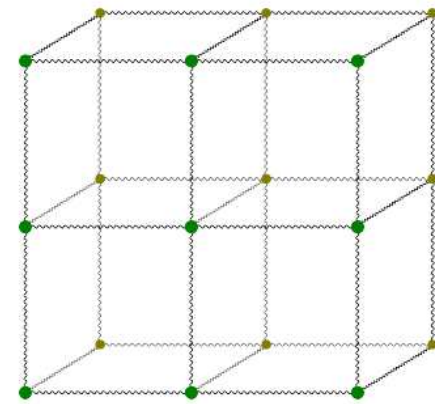
Mass-Spring Simulation for Deformable Objects

- **Volumetric meshing**

- Tetrahedral mesh
- Hexahedral mesh



(a) 3D tetrahedral;

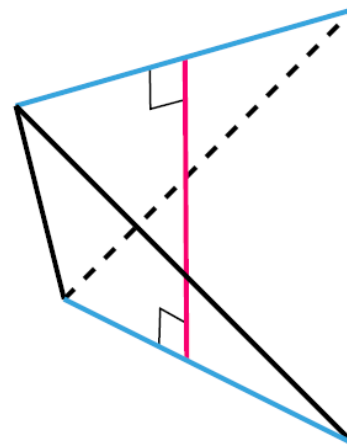
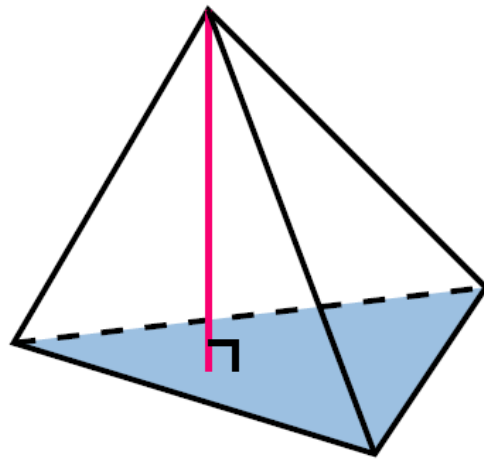


(b) 3D hexahedral.

Mass-Spring Simulation for Deformable Objects

- **Altitude spring**

- Point-face altitude spring
- Edge-edge altitude spring



I. Basics for Deformable Solids



Notation

- **Partial differentiation**

$$\mathbf{x}_{,i} \equiv \partial \mathbf{x} / \partial \theta_i, \mathbf{u}_{,ik} \equiv \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{u}}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_k}$$

- **Operators**

- Vector dot product: dot (\cdot)
- Vector cross product: cross (\times)
- Tensor double contraction: colon ($:$)

I.a Linear Elasticity



Linear Elasticity

- **Commonly used in computer graphics**
 - Relatively simple formulation
 - Resulting efficient simulations
- **Three essential parts**
 - Geometry: study of deformation a body can undergo
 - Internal and external forces: how they affect an object's equilibrium or dynamics
 - Constitutive relation: how deforming geometry relates to internal forces

Linear Elasticity

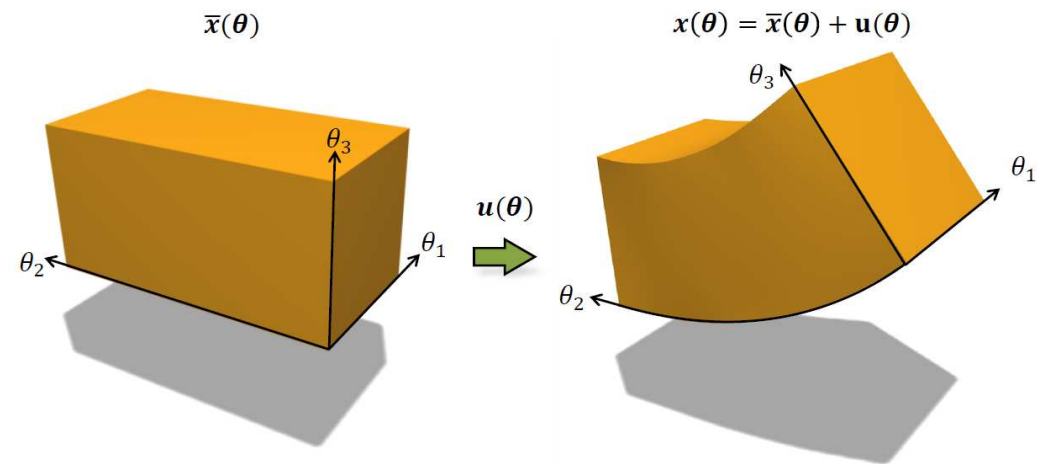
- **Geometry**

- Restrict to Lagrangian description
 - Undeformed positions

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)^T$$

- Undergo a deformation

$$\mathbf{x}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$



Linear Elasticity

- **Geometry**

- Cauchy strain
 - Assuming only small displacements

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{u}_{,i} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,j} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,i} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,j})$$

- The main diagonal of the tensor
 - The amount of stretch in the three (normal) spatial directions
- Off-diagonal values
 - Amount of shear in the according planes
- Linearization of the more general strain (non-linear)

Linear Elasticity

- **Forces, equilibrium and dynamics**

- Cauchy stress

- Introduce a virtual cut plane with normal \mathbf{n}
 - Force distribution at a point can compactly be described by the product of the Cauchy stress tensor with the plane normal

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{f}_n$$

- Main diagonal
 - Normal stress
 - Off-diagonal
 - Shear stress

Linear Elasticity

- **Forces, equilibrium and dynamics**

- Total force

- Summing up all traction forces on the side of the corresponding infinitesimal cube
 - Using the divergence (Gauss) theorem

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{f}_n$$



Volume integral

$$\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} + \mathbf{f} = 0$$

Linear Elasticity

- **Forces, equilibrium and dynamics**

- Energy

- Internal forces in an elastic body are conservative
 - Related to an underlying scalar energy potential characterizing the amount of work for deformation

$$W_{int}(\mathbf{u}) = \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) : \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) d\Omega$$

- Conservative forces

$$\mathbf{f}_{int} = - \frac{\partial W_{int}(\mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}}$$

Linear Elasticity

- **Forces, equilibrium and dynamics**

- Static equilibrium

- All internal and external forces need to cancel each other

$$\nabla \cdot \sigma = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

- Making use of the elastic potential

$$-\frac{\partial W_{int}(\mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

- Better suited for setting up the corresponding discrete problems

Linear Elasticity

- **Forces, equilibrium and dynamics**

- Equations of motion

- If an object is not in static equilibrium: difference between internal and external forces results in net forces
 - Acceleration of the material according to Newton's second law

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{f}_d(\dot{\mathbf{u}}) + \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

- $\mathbf{f}_d(\dot{\mathbf{u}})$: a damping force
 - Making use of the elastic energy potential

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{f}_d(\dot{\mathbf{u}}) - \frac{\partial W_{int}(\mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

Linear Elasticity

- **Constitutive relation**

- Establish the relation between internal deformation and force
- The simplest is the linear relation
 - a Hookean material

$$\sigma = \mathbf{C} : \epsilon$$

- Young modulus: material's stiffness
- Poisson's ratio: how much (linearized) change in volume (compression) is penalized during deformation

Linear Elasticity

- **Strong form**

- Derivation results in a point-wise description

$$\sigma \cdot \mathbf{n} = \mathbf{f}_n \quad \nabla \cdot \sigma = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

$$\rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{f}_d(\dot{\mathbf{u}}) - \frac{\partial W_{int}(\mathbf{u})}{\partial \mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

- Taking variational viewpoint on the problem
- Other forms are better for discrimination and for handling discontinuous problems

Linear Elasticity

- **Energy formulation**

- From the point of view of variational calculus $\nabla \cdot \sigma = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$
- Euler-Lagrange equation of a corresponding energy functional
 - Necessary condition for being at the minimum of the potential energy

$$W_{tot}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\epsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \sigma(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{f}_{ext} \cdot \mathbf{u}) d\Omega$$



$$\sigma = \mathbf{C} : \epsilon$$

$$W_{tot}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\epsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \mathbf{C} : \epsilon(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{f}_{ext} \cdot \mathbf{u}) d\Omega$$

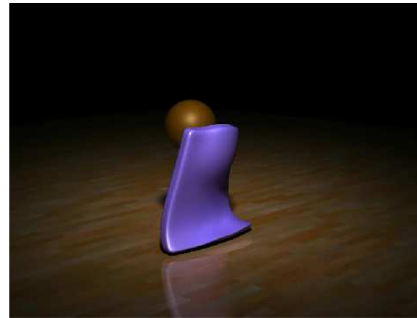
I.b Nonlinear Elasticity



Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Handle large deformations**

- More common in computer graphics
- More complex but also allow for a much more realistic description of a wide variety of scenarios
- Geometric measures and constitutive relations are more versatile

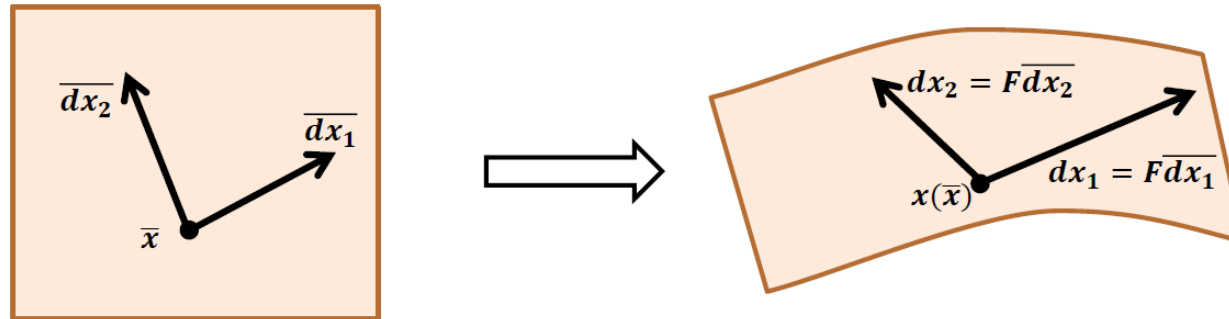


Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Geometry**

- Describe the deformed geometry directly by

- The mapping: $\mathbf{x}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$
- Deforming domain points: $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
- Do not refer to a displacement field



Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Geometry**

- Deformation gradient tensor

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{x}}{\partial \bar{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- How neighboring material particles are deformed relative to each other
 - For a given particle at position $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} + d\bar{\mathbf{x}} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{x}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} + d\bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$\mathbf{x}(\bar{\mathbf{x}} + d\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \approx \mathbf{x}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + \mathbf{F}d\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$d\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{F}d\bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Geometry**

- Green strain

- Consider the scalar products of two arbitrary direction vectors $d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1$ and $d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2$ after deformation

$$d\mathbf{x}_1 \cdot d\mathbf{x}_2 = d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 \cdot \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F} d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2 = d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1 \cdot \mathbf{C} d\bar{\mathbf{x}}_2$$

- Right Cauchy-Green deformation tensor

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{F}$$

- Green strain tensor

$$\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I})$$

Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Constitutive relation**

- Saint-Venant Kirchhoff
 - Simplest nonlinear material models
 - Extend the linear stress-strain relation of linear elasticity

$$\Psi_{StVK} = \frac{\lambda}{2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{E})^2 + \mu \text{tr}(\mathbf{E}^2)$$

- Lamé constants: λ and μ
- λ : isotropic stiffness
- μ : (linearized) volume preservation properties of the modeled material

Nonlinear Elasticity

- **Constitutive relation**

- Neo-Hookean
 - Compressible Neo-Hookean model
 - Share characteristics and material parameters that are known from linear elasticity

$$\Psi_{NH} = \frac{\mu}{2}(tr(\mathbf{C}) - 3) - \mu \ln J + \frac{\lambda}{2}(\ln J)^2$$

- $J = \det \mathbf{F}$ measures the change in volume

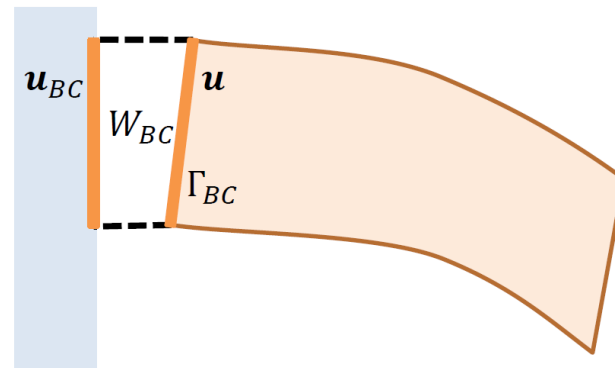
I.c Handling Boundary and Collisions



Boundary Conditions and Collisions

- **Boundary conditions**

$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) = \mathbf{u}_{BC}(\theta), \theta \in \Gamma_{BC} \subset \Gamma = \partial\Omega$$



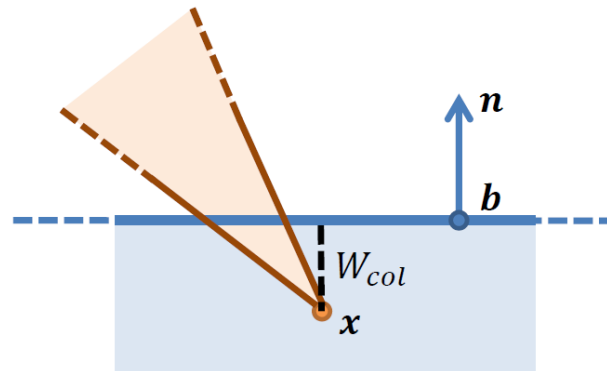
- Modeled as an additional elastic energy $W_{BC}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{\beta}{2} \int_{\Gamma_{BC}} |\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}_{BC}|^2$

Boundary Conditions and Collisions

- **Collisions**

- Define the simple quadratic penalty potential

$$W_{plane} = \frac{\gamma}{2} ((\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{n})^2$$



II. Resultant-Based Formulations



Resultant-based Formulations

- **Thin geometries**

- Specialized variants of the theory
- More efficient and numerically better suited

- **Resultant-based models**

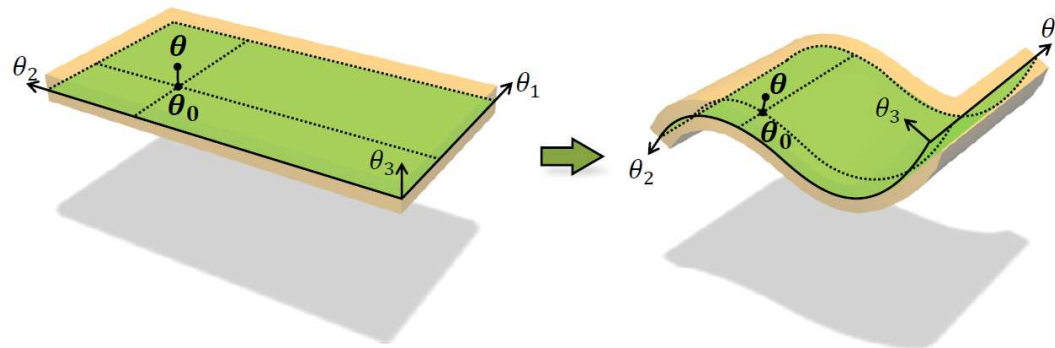
- Material has only small extent in certain spatial directions
- Simplified by making certain assumption on how the material can deform in these directions
- Thin shell theory: reduction along one direction
- Rod theory: reduction along two directions



Resultant-based Formulations

- **Shells**

- Consider a volumetric surface-like solid
- Extent along tangent directions is much greater than along normal direction



Resultant-based Formulations

- **Shells**

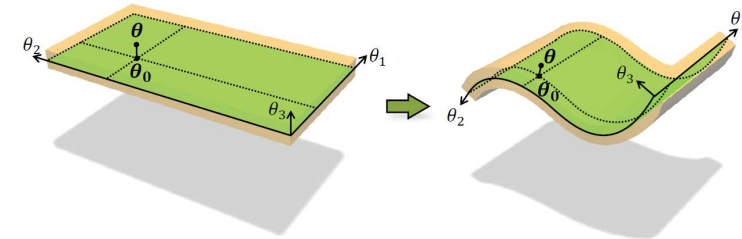
- Strain about middle surface
 - Middle surface parameterized by the material-domain surface

$$\theta_0 = (\theta_1, \theta_2, 0)$$

- Assuming the shell to be sufficiently thin in normal direction

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta) \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta_0) + \theta_3 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,3}(\theta_0)$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) \approx \mathbf{u}(\theta_0) + \theta_3 \mathbf{u}_{,3}(\theta_0)$$



Resultant-based Formulations

- **Shells**

- In the view of the linear elasticity theory
 - Substitute into the linear Cauchy strain

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{u}_{,i} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,j} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,i} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,j}) \quad \begin{array}{l} \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,3}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \\ \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \mathbf{u}_{,3}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \end{array}$$



$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \boldsymbol{\beta}^3(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)$$

- Membrane strain $\alpha_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{u}_{,i} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,j} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,i} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,j})$
- Bending strain $\beta_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{u}_{,ik} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,j} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,i} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,jk} + \mathbf{u}_{,i} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,jk} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,ik} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,j})$

Resultant-based Formulations

- **Shells**

- Energy integration

- Elastic energy of the volumetric shell model

$$W_{tot}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) - \mathbf{f}_{ext} \cdot \mathbf{u}) d\Omega \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \boldsymbol{\beta}^3(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)$$



$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \boldsymbol{\beta}^3(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \right) : \mathbf{C} : \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \theta_3 \boldsymbol{\beta}^3(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) \right) d\Omega$$

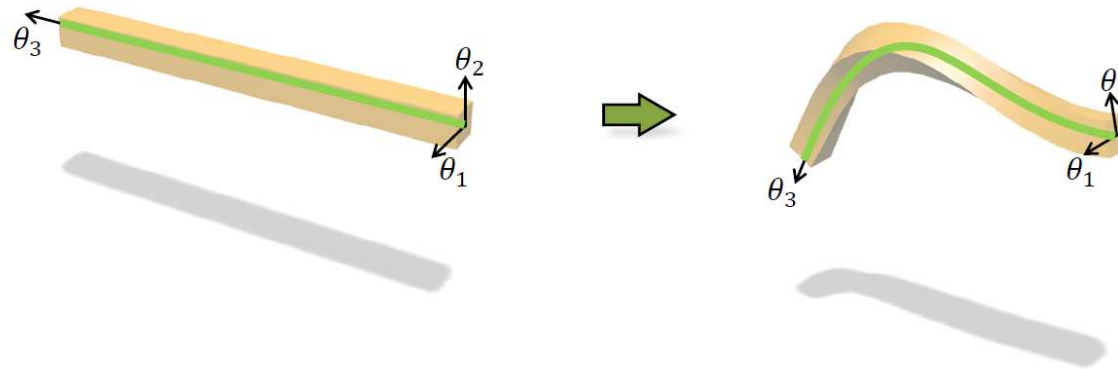
- Integration in normal direction can be performed analytically

$$W = \frac{h_3}{2} \int_{\mathcal{S}} \boldsymbol{\alpha} : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\alpha} + \frac{h_3^2}{12} \boldsymbol{\beta}^3 : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\beta}^3 d\mathcal{S}$$

Resultant-based Formulations

- **Rods**

- A volumetric curve-like solid
- Extent along tangent direction is much greater than along normal directions



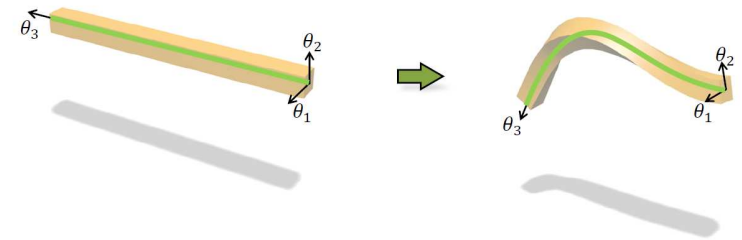
Resultant-based Formulations

- **Rods**

- Strain about centerline

- Let the centerline curve Γ be parameterized by

$$\theta_0 = (\theta_1, 0, 0)$$



- For small extents along both normals

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta) \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta_0) + \theta_2 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,2}(\theta_0) + \theta_3 \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,3}(\theta_0)$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) \approx \mathbf{u}(\theta_0) + \theta_2 \mathbf{u}_{,2}(\theta_0) + \theta_3 \mathbf{u}_{,3}(\theta_0)$$

- The same steps for the derivation of the small strain

$$\epsilon(\theta) \approx \alpha(\theta_0) + \theta_2 \beta^2(\theta_0) + \theta_3 \beta^3(\theta_0)$$

Resultant-based Formulations

- **Rods**

- Energy integration

- Analytic integration in the normal directions yields the one-dimensional integral of axial energy density over the rod's centerline

$$W = \frac{h_2 h_3}{2} \int_{\Gamma} \boldsymbol{\alpha} : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\alpha} + \frac{h_2^2}{12} \boldsymbol{\beta}^2 : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\beta}^2 + \frac{h_3^2}{12} \boldsymbol{\beta}^3 : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\beta}^3 d\Gamma$$

III. Spatial and Temporal Discretization



Space Discretization for Linear Formulations

- **Discrete formulation**

- Representation of the finite dimensional space
 - Using a basis of shape functions

$$\mathbf{u}_N(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_i^N \mathbf{u}_i N_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in V_N$$

- Basis functions must also fulfill the completeness property
 - Constant reproduction: In order to represent arbitrary translations of the body
 - Partition of unity $\sum_i N_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = 1$
 - Linear reproduction: necessary for a basis to represent constant strain fields as well as arbitrary rigid body motions

Space Discretization for Linear Formulations

- **Energy-based approach**
 - Inserting solution representation

$$\begin{aligned}W_N(\mathbf{u}_N) &= \frac{1}{2}a\left(\sum_i \mathbf{u}_i N_i, \sum_j \mathbf{u}_j N_j\right) - f\left(\sum_i \mathbf{u}_i N_i\right) \\&= \sum_{ij} \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_j a(N_i, N_j) - \sum_i \mathbf{u}_i f(N_i) \\&= \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{f}_{ext},\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{ij} = a(N_i, N_j), \mathbf{f}_{ext,i} = f(N_i)$$

Space Discretization for Linear Formulations

- **Energy-based approach**

- Taking gradient to yield equation to solve
 - Static case

$$\mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

- Dynamic case

$$\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{K}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{f}_{ext}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{ij} = \mathbf{I} \cdot \int_{\Omega} \rho N_i N_j d\Omega$$

Space Discretization for Linear Formulations

- **Finite-element method (FEM)**

- A specific instantiation of the Galerkin methodology
- The object is partitioned into finite elements

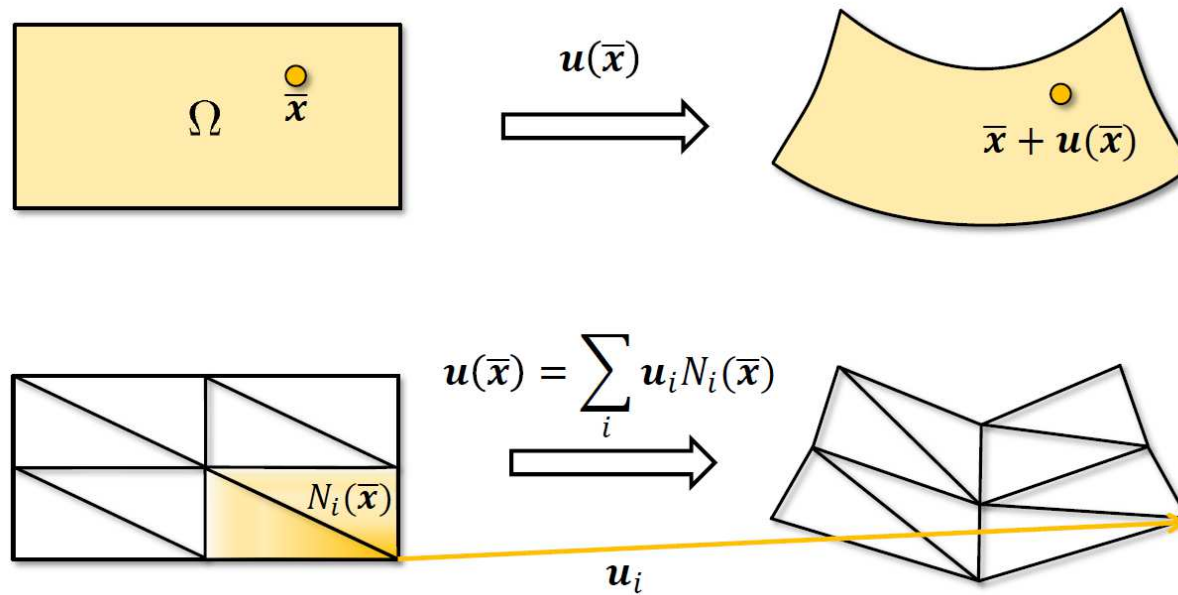
$$\bigcup e = \Omega$$

- $\mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$ is approximated by interpolating the displacements of the nodes within elements

$$\mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})|_e \approx \mathbf{u}^e(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) := \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{u}_i N_i^e(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

Space Discretization for Linear Formulations

- **Finite-Element Method (FEM)**



Polyhedral Elements

- **Traditional FEM simulations in computer graphics**
 - Rely on strictly tetrahedral or hexahedral meshes
 - Require complex remeshing in case of topological changes
 - Support more general convex polyhedral elements in finite element simulations
 - Using harmonic coordinates



Harmonic Basis Functions

- **A generalization of**

- Linear barycentric basis functions to general polyhedral elements
- A shape function is harmonic if its Laplacian vanishes in e

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta N_i^e(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) &= 0, & \text{for } \bar{\mathbf{x}} \in e, \\ N_i^e(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) &= b_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}), & \text{for } \bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \partial e.\end{aligned}$$

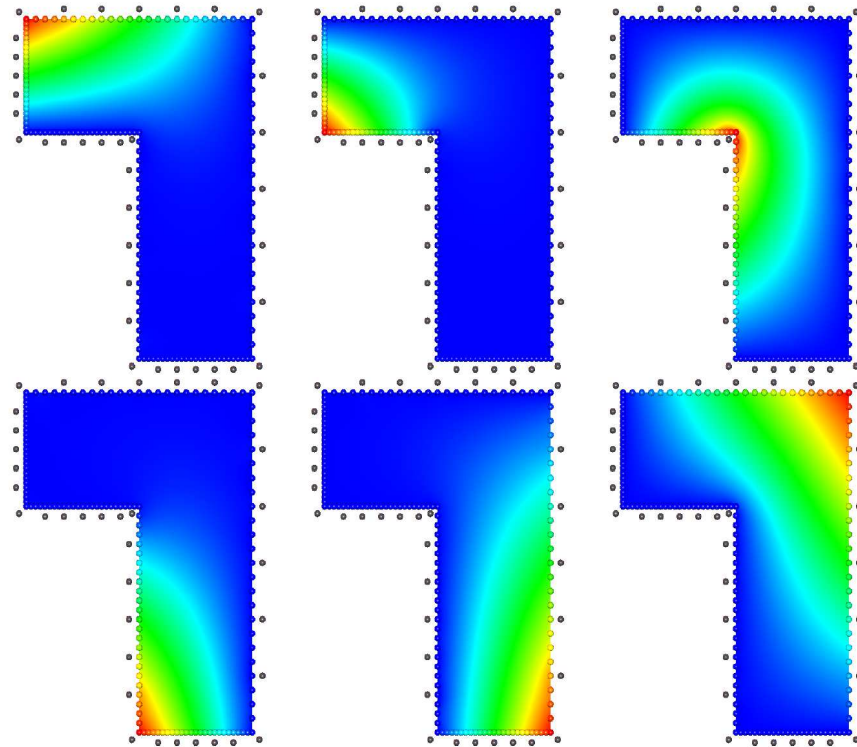
$$N_i^e(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_j) = \delta_{ij} \quad \forall i, j = 1, \dots, k$$

$$N_i^{e_1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = N_i^{e_2}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \text{for } \bar{\mathbf{x}} \in e_1 \cap e_2$$

Harmonic Basis Functions

- **Illustration**

- Different element boundary conditions



Numerical Approximation

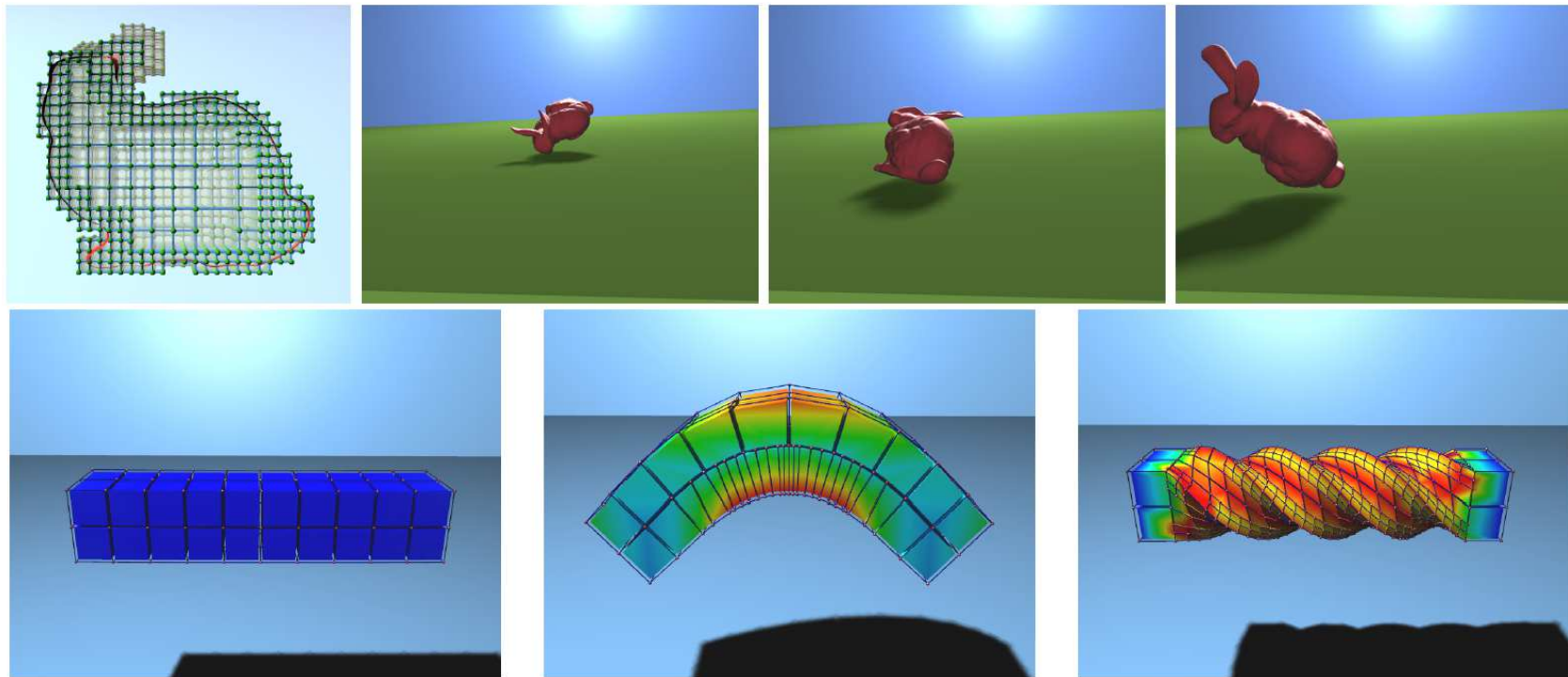
- **Closed form expressions for harmonic basis functions**
 - Exist for simple element shapes only
- **For more general elements**
 - Have to be computed numerically
 - Method of Fundamental Solutions

$$N(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_{j=1}^n w_j \cdot \psi(\|\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{k}_j\|) + \mathbf{a}_1^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} + a_0$$

- The kernel function ψ is chosen as fundamental solution of the Laplace PDE

$$\psi(r) = \log r \text{ in 2D and } \psi(r) = 1/r \text{ in 3D}$$

Results



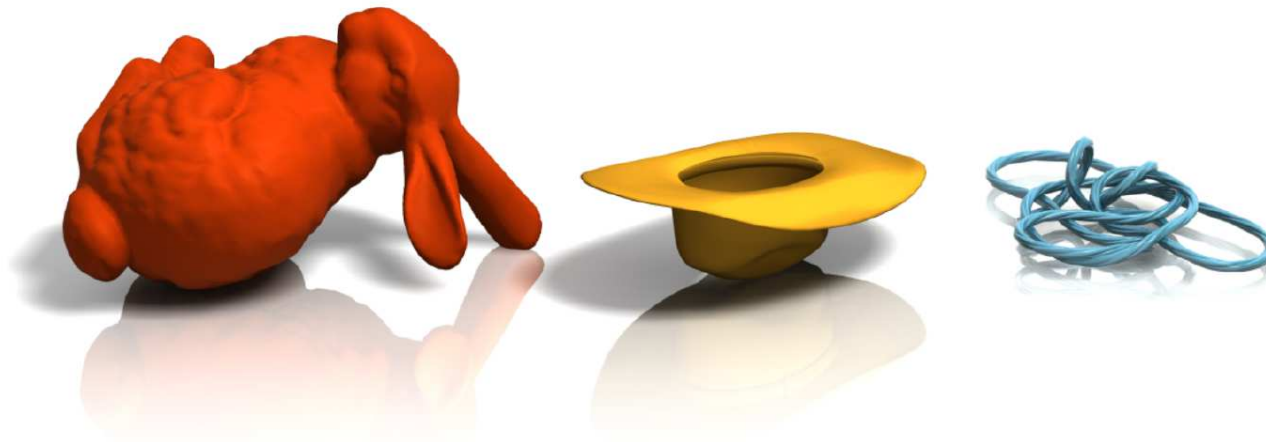
IV. Unifying Resultant-based Models



Unifying Resultant-based Models

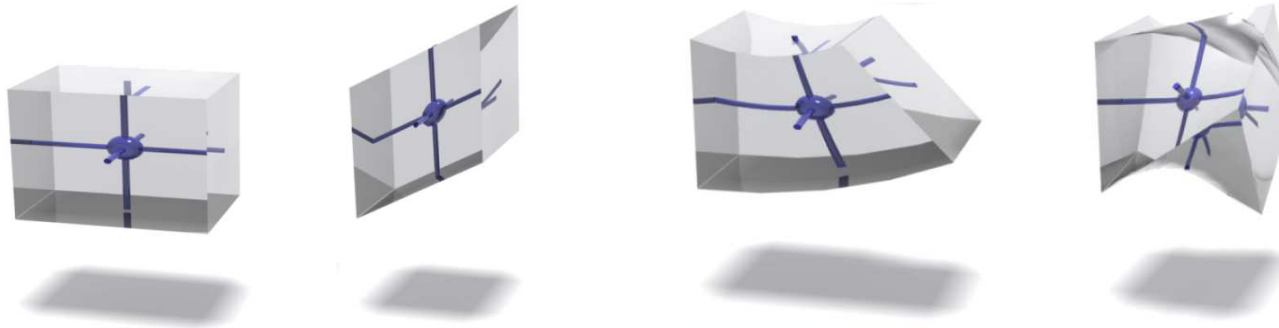
- **Resultant-based models**

- Only valid for single types of geometry (thin shell or rod)
- Handle all three types in an unified manner?



Elastons

- **Consider a volumetric point-like solid**
 - Extent along all three directions is small
 - Strain in the vicinity of this point will measure
 - Linear deformations: stretch and shear at the center
 - Quadratic deformations: bending and twist along all three “normal” directions



Elastons

- **Linearizing strain**

- Employ curvilinear coordinates describe an elaston centered at

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}_0 = (0,0,0)$$

- First-order Taylor approximation of positions and displacements
 - In all three normal directions

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \approx \mathbf{u}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \mathbf{u}_{,k}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)$$

Elastons

- **Linearizing strain**

- Strain centered about the elaston

$$\epsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{u}_{,i} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,j} + \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,i} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{,j})$$

+



$$\epsilon(\theta) \approx \alpha(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \beta^k(\theta_0)$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta) \approx \bar{\mathbf{x}}(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{,k}(\theta_0)$$

$$\mathbf{u}(\theta) \approx \mathbf{u}(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \mathbf{u}_{,k}(\theta_0)$$

- Naturally generalizes its shell and rod analogues
- Capture stretching, shearing, bending, and twisting along all three axes

Elastons

- **Energy integration**

- Integral over the elaston's volume

$$\epsilon(\theta) \approx \alpha(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \beta^k(\theta_0) \quad \sigma = \mathbf{C} : \epsilon \quad W_{int}(\mathbf{u}) = \int_{\Omega} \epsilon(\mathbf{u}) : \sigma(\mathbf{u}) d\Omega$$



$$W = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega_e} \left(\alpha(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \beta^k(\theta_0) \right) : \mathbf{C} : \left(\alpha(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \theta_k \beta^k(\theta_0) \right) d\Omega$$

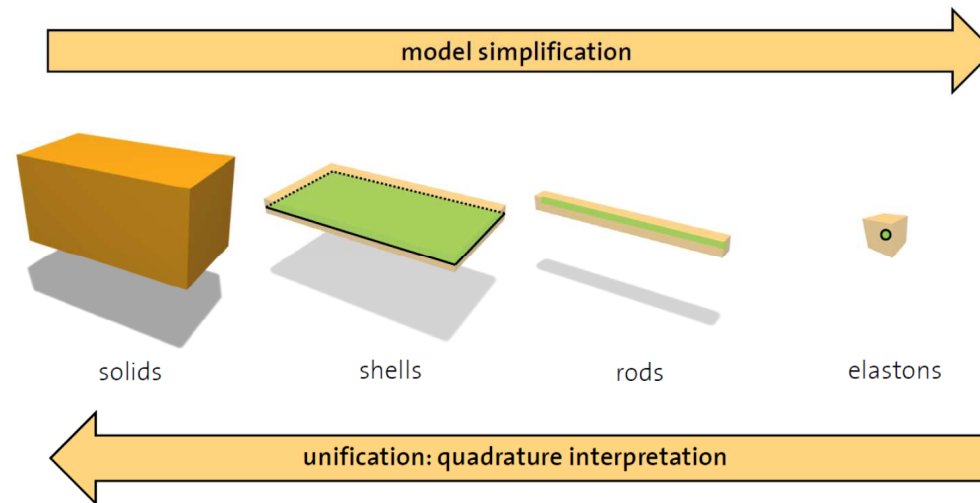
- All three directions have thin extent
 - Analytically integrate

$$W = \frac{V}{2} \left(\alpha(\theta_0) : \mathbf{C} : \alpha(\theta_0) + \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{h_k^2}{12} \beta^k(\theta_0) : \mathbf{C} : \beta^k(\theta_0) \right) \quad V = h_1 h_2 h_3$$

Elastons

- **Basic building blocks**

- For assembling the elastic energy of any deformable object, independent of its form



Elastons

- **Summing up: a new integration rule**
 - The classical goal of resultant-based model
 - Reduce the dimensionality of the model
 - Simplify its numerical treatment
 - Energy integration can be performed analytically
 - Elastons offer the most general integration rule
 - Approximate the stored elastic energy of rods, shells, or solids, respectively

$$W_{int}(\mathbf{u}) = \int_{\Omega} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}(\mathbf{u}) : \boldsymbol{\sigma}(\mathbf{u}) d\Omega \quad \longrightarrow \quad W = \sum_{e \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{V^e}{2} \left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}^e : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\alpha}^e + \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{(h_k^e)^2}{12} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{ke} : \mathbf{C} : \boldsymbol{\beta}^{ke} \right)$$

Elastons

- **Summing up: a new integration rule**
 - Further requirements for integration rule in simulations
 - The elastons have to sample the material sufficiently densely
 - All relevant deformations are measured
 - An admissible basis of the solution space
 - Basis functions must now be twice differentiable in order to be able to measure bending strains
 - Reproduce constant and linear functions for accurate preservation of linear and angular momenta

V. Mesh-Free Methods



Meshfree Method

- **Drawback of FEM mesh-based approach**

- Not always the optimal choice
 - Undergoes large, possibly plastic, deformations
 - Distorted meshes need to be adapted in order to maintain quality and accuracy

- **Point-based discretization**

- Allow for the simplest possible discretization structure (sampling)
- Use of moving least squares (MLS) as scattered data interpolation procedure



Classical MLS Formulation

- **A method for scattered data interpolation**

- Assume sample points $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \dots, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_n$

- Each with an associated function value $\mathbf{u}_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$

- Around a given point

- Local polynomial approximation of displacement field

$$\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

- Using a weight function of the form $w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)$ $w(\mathbf{d}) = (1 - \|\mathbf{d}\|^2)^3$

Classical MLS Formulation

- **A method for scattered data interpolation**

- Define error function

$$J(\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \left\| \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) - \mathbf{u}_i \right\|^2$$

- The derivative of the error function is

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})} = \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) (\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) - \mathbf{u}_i)$$

- Setting it to zero and solving the system for the coefficient vector yields

$$\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)^T \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{u}_i$$

Classical MLS Formulation

- **A method for scattered data interpolation**
 - Insert into the polynomial to obtain the approximation

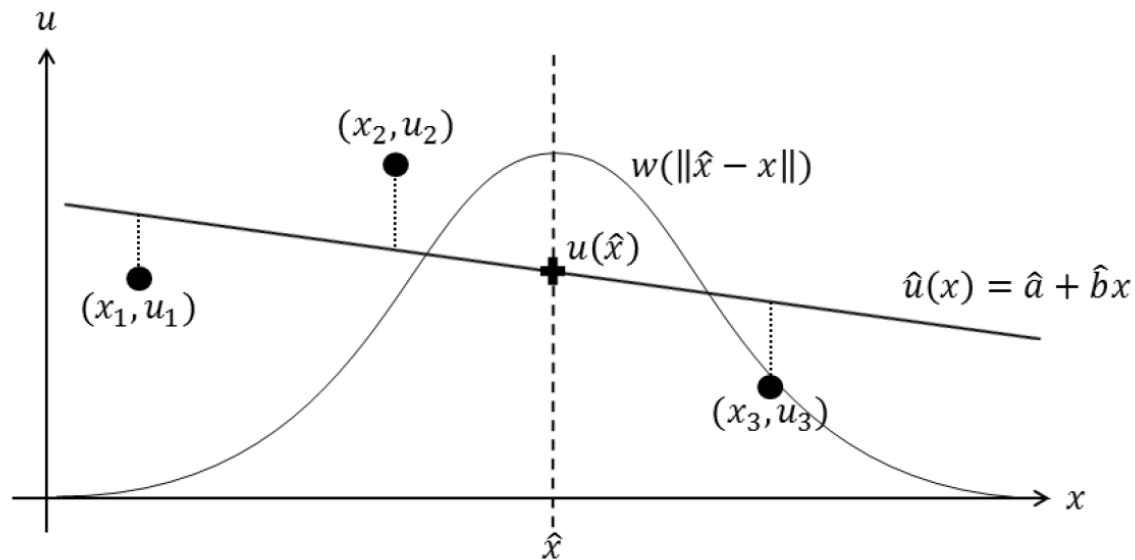
$$\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \leftarrow \mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)^T \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{u}_i$$



$$\mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \left(\sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)^T \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{u}_i$$

Classical MLS Formulation

- A simple example of a linear 1D MLS fit



Generalized MLS

- **A point-based discretization**

- Compatible with our thinking of elastons as “elastic points”
- Take advantage of elastons to local form, topology, etc.

- **Limitation of the classical MLS**

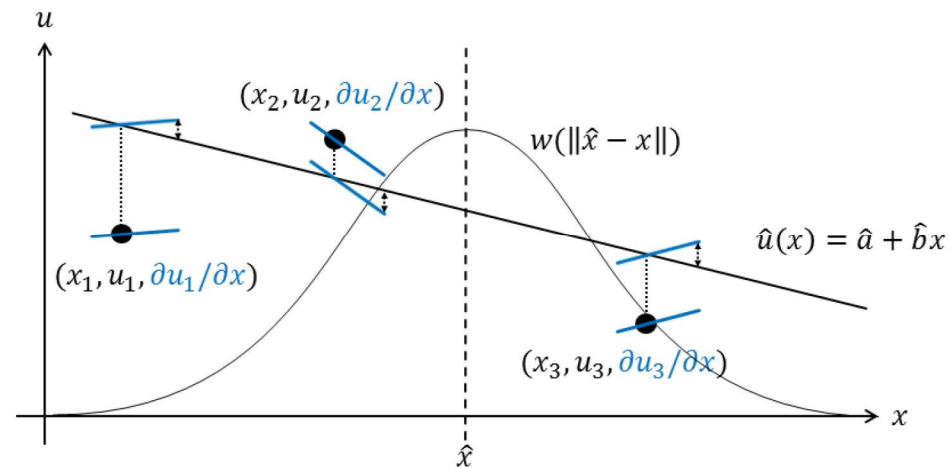
- To guarantee an invertible matrix $G(\bar{x})$
 - Sufficiently many samples
 - Must not be co-linear or co-planar



Generalized MLS

- **Motivation for GMLS**

- Pursue a simpler approach
- An extension of classical MLS



Generalized MLS

- **Linear GMLS**

- Linear polynomial fitting
- Fit also to the additional first derivative

$$J(\mathbf{a}(\hat{\mathbf{x}})) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n w(\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \left\| \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) - \mathbf{u}_i \right\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^3 w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \left\| \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{p}_{,j}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) - \mathbf{u}_{i,j} \right\|^2$$



$$\mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\mathbf{u}_i N_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{u}_{i,j} N_i^j(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right]$$
$$N_i^j(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{p}_{,j}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)$$
$$\mathbf{G}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_{i=1}^n w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \left[\mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)^T + \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{p}_{,j}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{p}_{,j}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)^T \right]$$

Generalized MLS

• Quadratic GMLS

- For higher accuracy and faster convergence, consider second order derivative

- Use a quadratic polynomial $\mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = (1, \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}, \bar{x}\bar{x}, \bar{x}\bar{y}, \bar{x}\bar{z}, \bar{y}\bar{y}, \bar{y}\bar{z}, \bar{z}\bar{z})^T$

- Add a third error term to the objective

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j,k=1}^3 w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \left\| \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{p}_{,jk}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) - \mathbf{u}_{i,jk} \right\|^2$$



$$\mathbf{u}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\mathbf{u}_i N_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_{j=1}^3 \mathbf{u}_{i,j} N_i^j(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_{j,k=1}^3 \mathbf{u}_{i,jk} N_i^{jk}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \right]$$

$$N_i^{jk}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{p}(\bar{\mathbf{x}})^T \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \mathbf{p}_{,jk}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) w(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)$$

Implementation

- **Sampling**

- Given an input cloud
 - Generate the positions of GMLS sample points

$$\{\bar{\mathbf{x}}_1, \dots, \bar{\mathbf{x}}_n\}$$

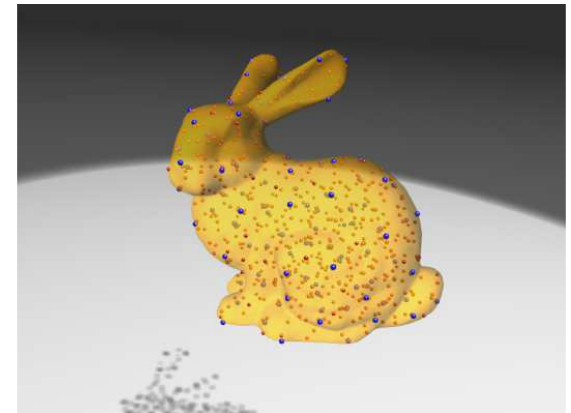
- Generate the positions of elaston centers

$$\{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_m\}$$

- Sub-sampling the dense material point set
- The material is partitioned into

$$\mathcal{M}_1 \cup \dots \cup \mathcal{M}_n$$

- Associate each material point $\mathbf{m}_j \in \mathcal{M}$ to its closest sample
- Iterate until convergence $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i$



Extensions

- **Plasticity**

- Plasticity model

- Define plastic membrane and bending strain variables for each elaston

- Define the effective elastic strain α_p, β_p^k
 - Taking the difference between the measured geometric strains and the stored plastic strains

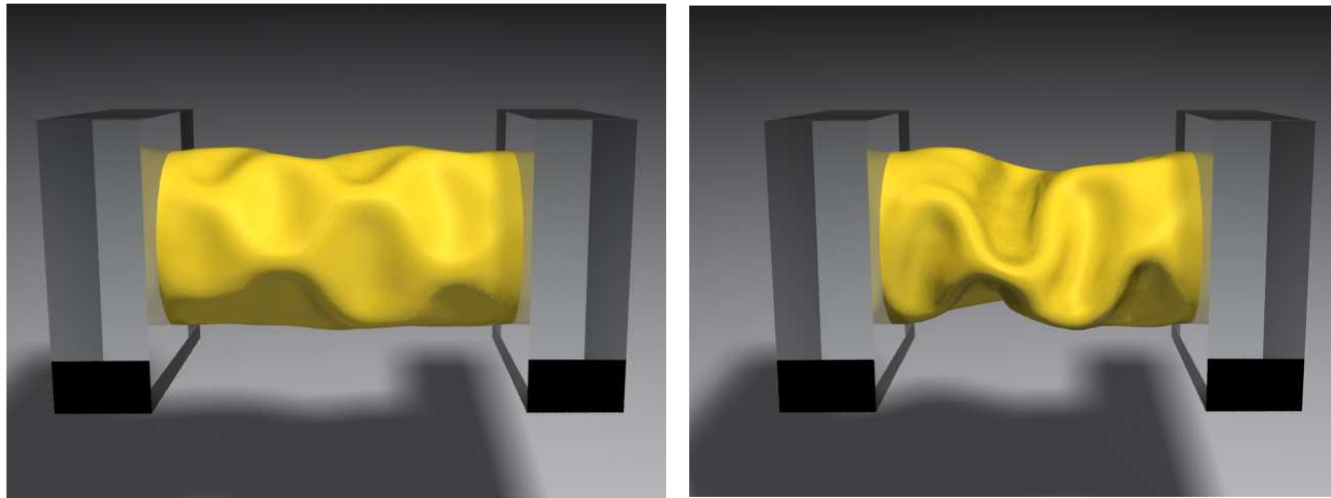
$$\alpha_e = \alpha_g - \alpha_p, \quad \beta_e^k = \beta_g^k - \beta_p^k$$

- New elastic energy stored in a single elaston $W_e = \frac{V}{2} \left(\alpha_e : \mathbf{C} : \alpha_e + \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{(h_k^e)^2}{12} \beta_e^k : \mathbf{C} : \beta_e^k \right)$

Results

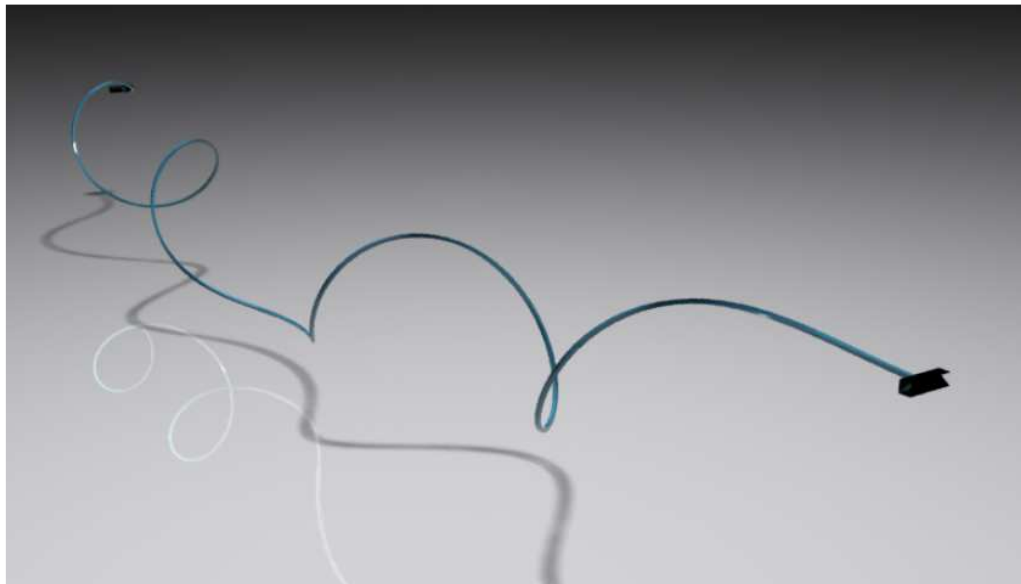
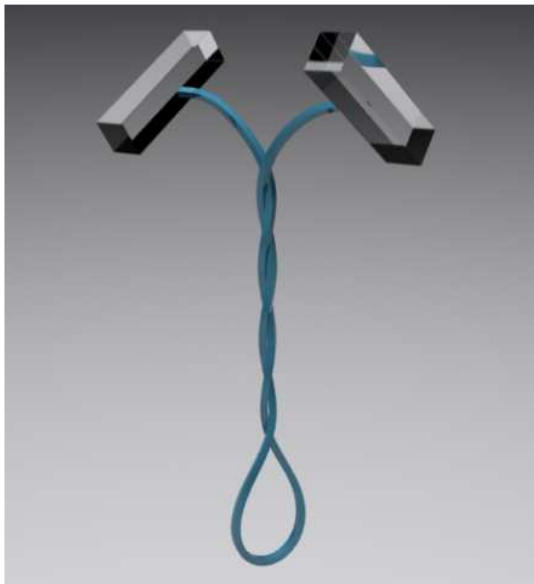
- **Cylinder compression**

- A cylinder shows the typical buckling patterns as it is getting more and more compressed.



Results

- **Twisting a thin rod**



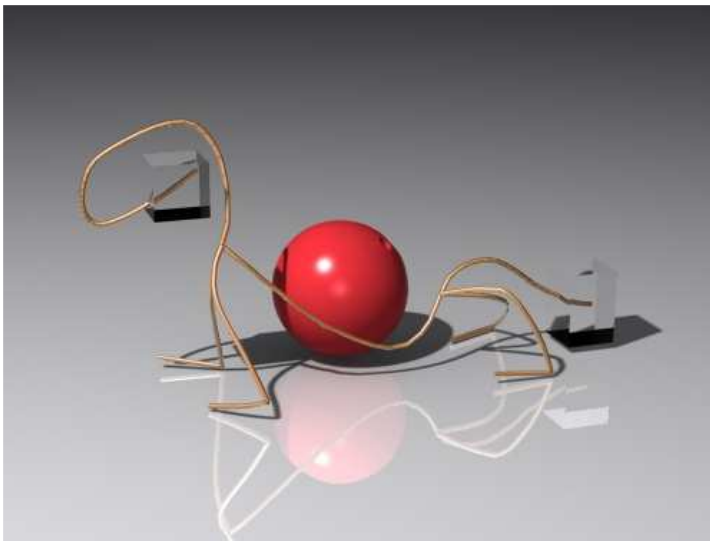
Results

- **Complex interaction between different types of geometry**



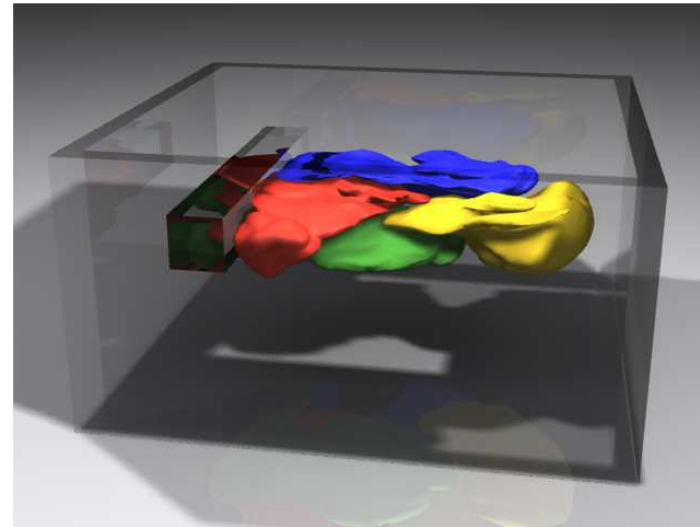
Results

- **Ball drop and elasto-plastic cuboid**

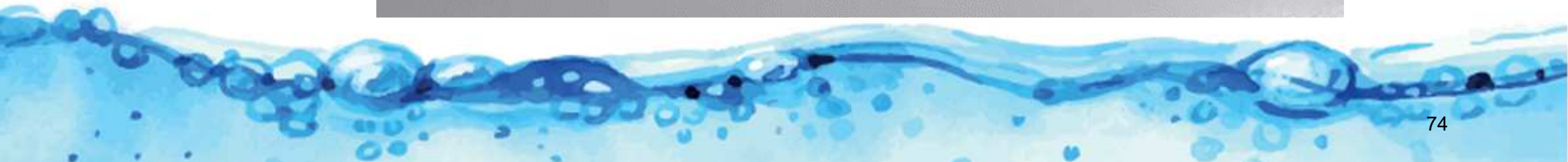
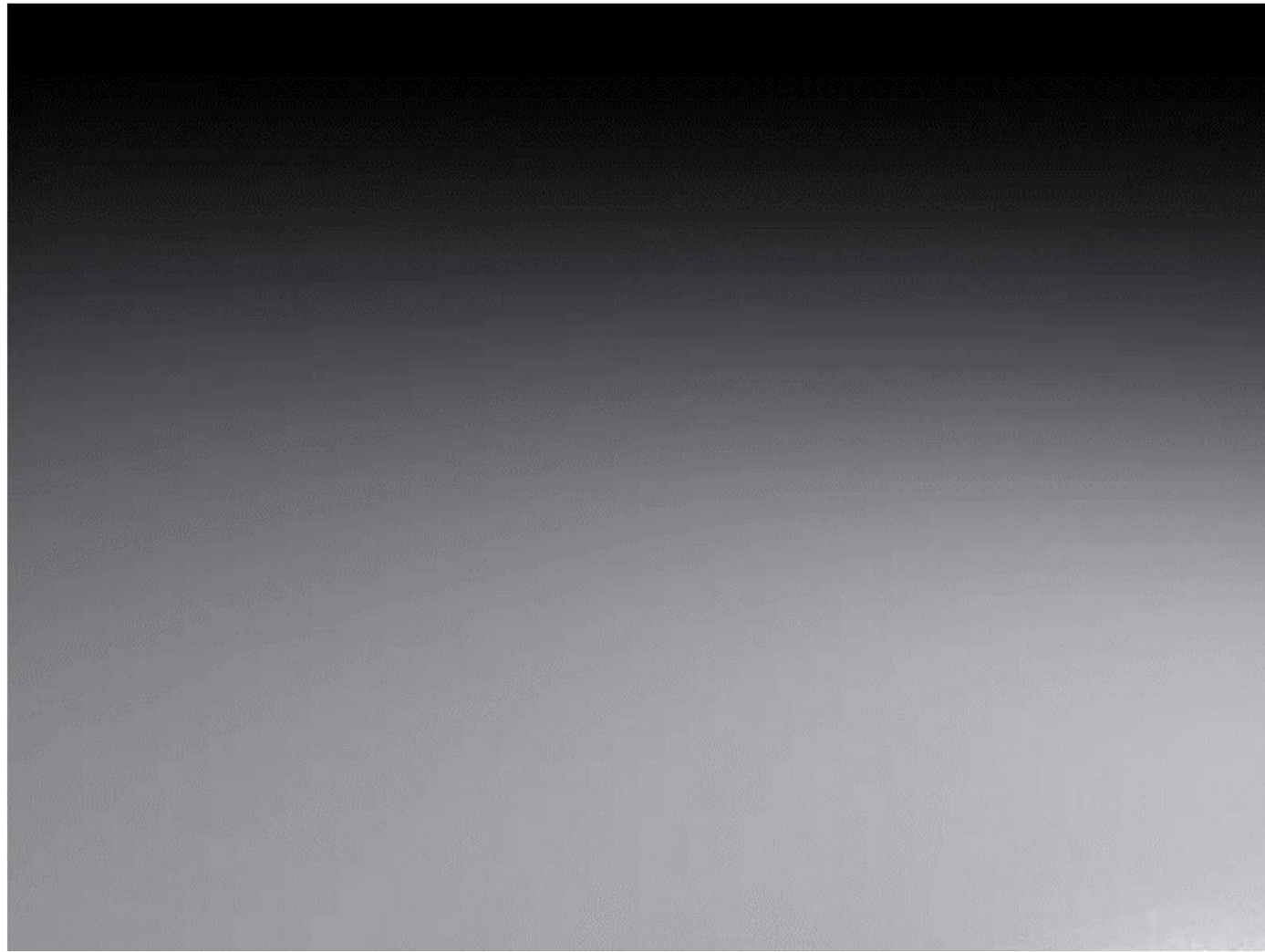


Results

- **Fish model and elasto-plastic bunnies**



Results



VI. Art-Directable Elastic Potentials



Art-Directable Elastic Potentials

- **Control the deformation**

- Classical deformation mainly driven by the chosen material model and its parameter values
- Often, an artist starts with a vision on how an object should deform
- Setting up a specialized elastic model to follow the preferred example poses

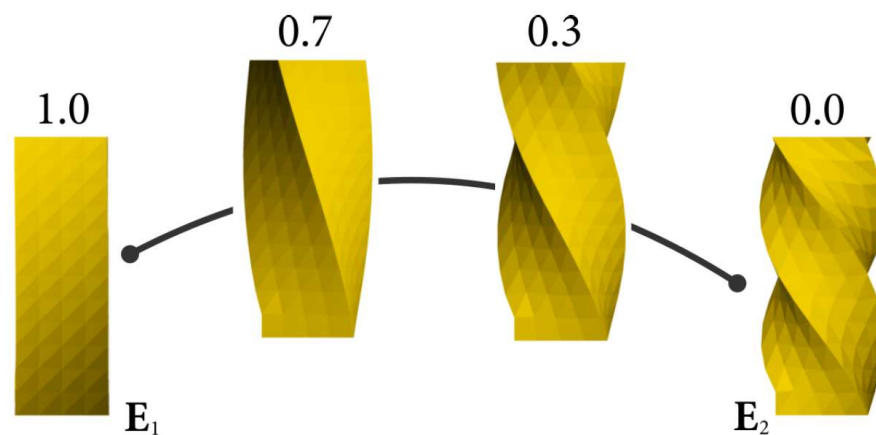


Example Manifold

- **Example manifold by example interpolation**

- Interpolate between these examples by interpolating their descriptors

$$\mathbf{E}(w) = (1 - w)\mathbf{E}_1 + w\mathbf{E}_2$$



Example Manifold

- **Example manifold by example interpolation**

- The interpolated descriptor is generally not realizable
 - Find the closest realizable strain $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_w) \in \mathcal{F}$ and corresponding configuration
 - Solve the least squares minimization

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}_w} W_I(\mathbf{x}_w, w) = \min_{\mathbf{x}_w} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_w) - \mathbf{E}(w)\|_F^2$$

- $\|\cdot\|_F$: Frobenius norms of the elemental strain tensors
- Generalize to an arbitrary number of poses n

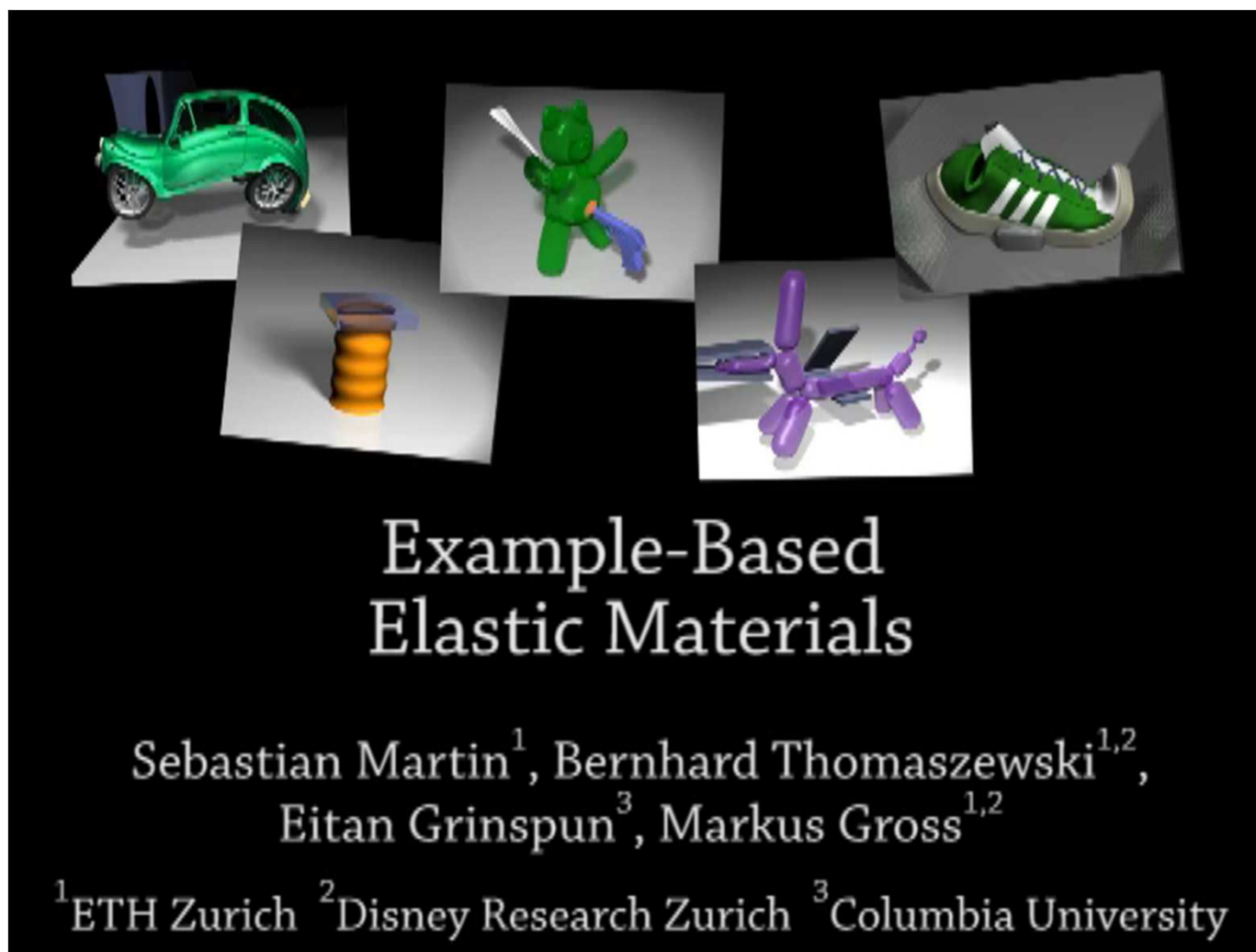
$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{w}) = \sum_i^n w_i \mathbf{E}_i$$

Results

- **Compressed sneaker simulated as a coarse solid**
 - Without examples (left) and augmented with two local examples (right)



Results



Next Lecture: Fluid Simulation I

