

CS 231N Lecture 16: 3D Vision





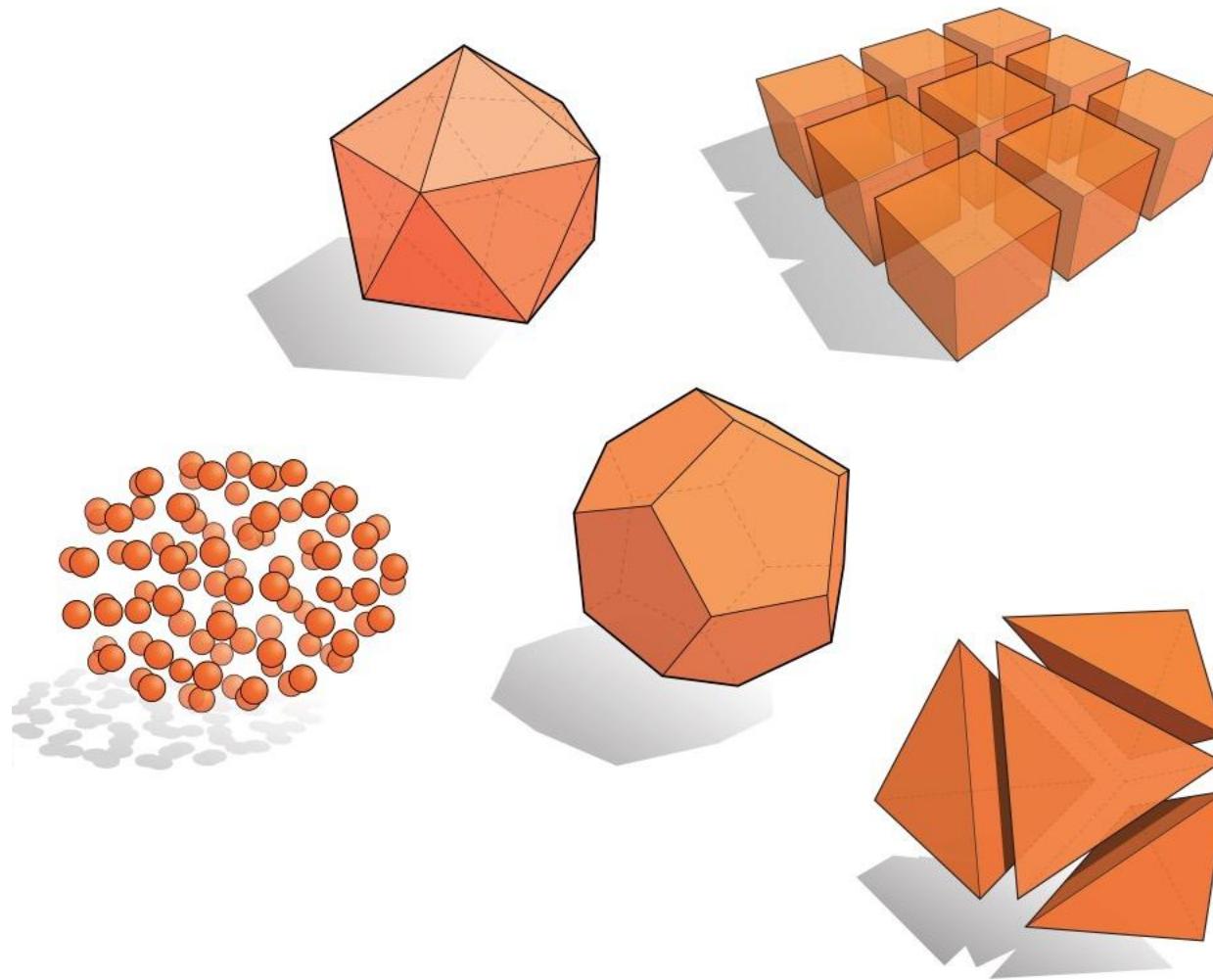


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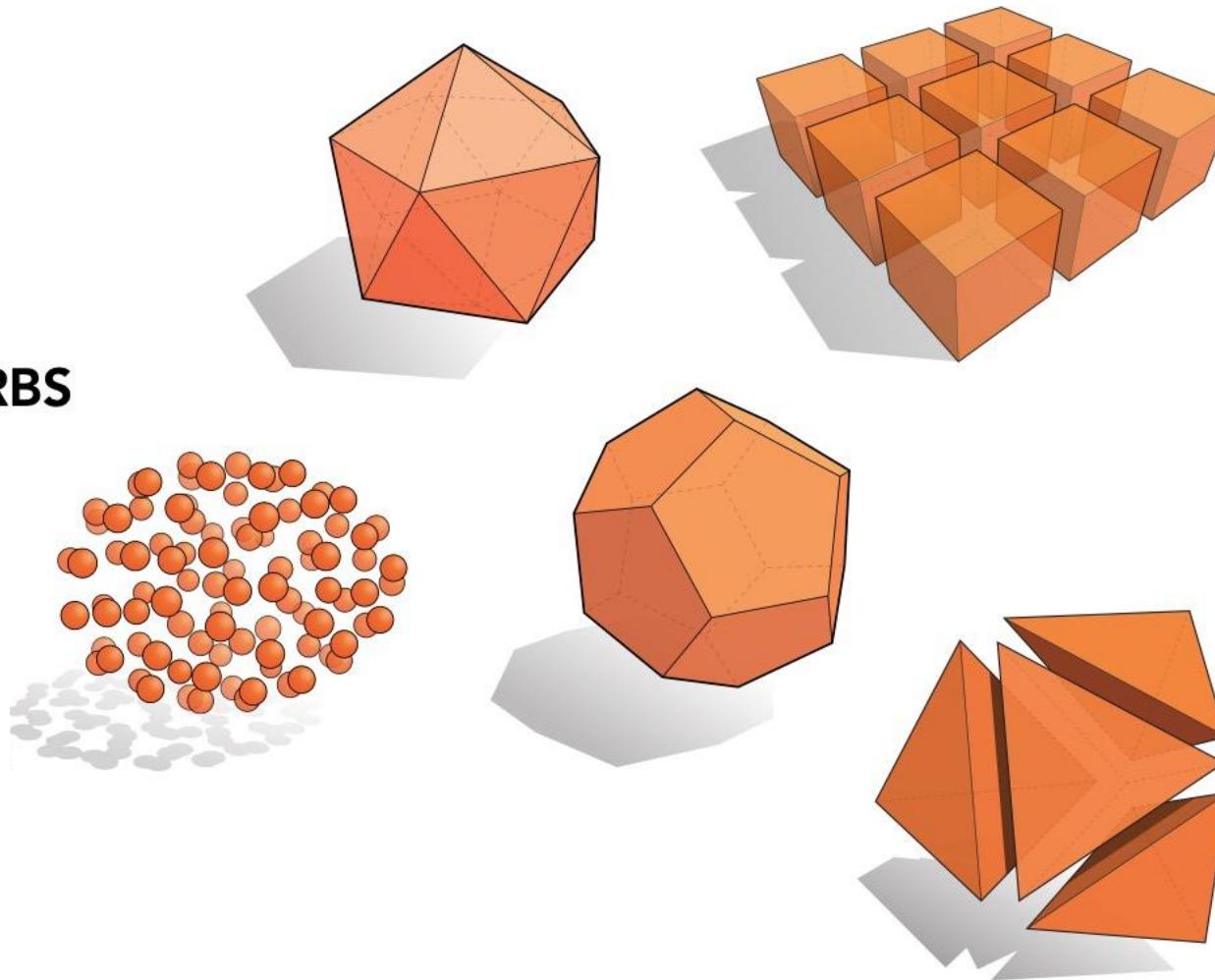
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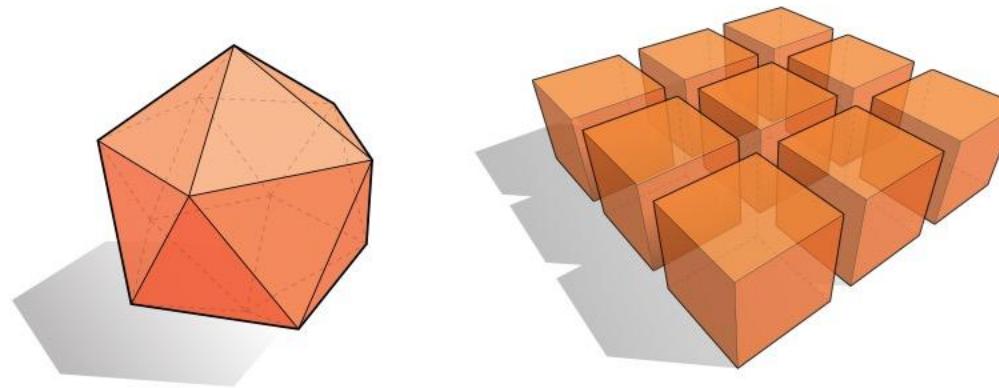
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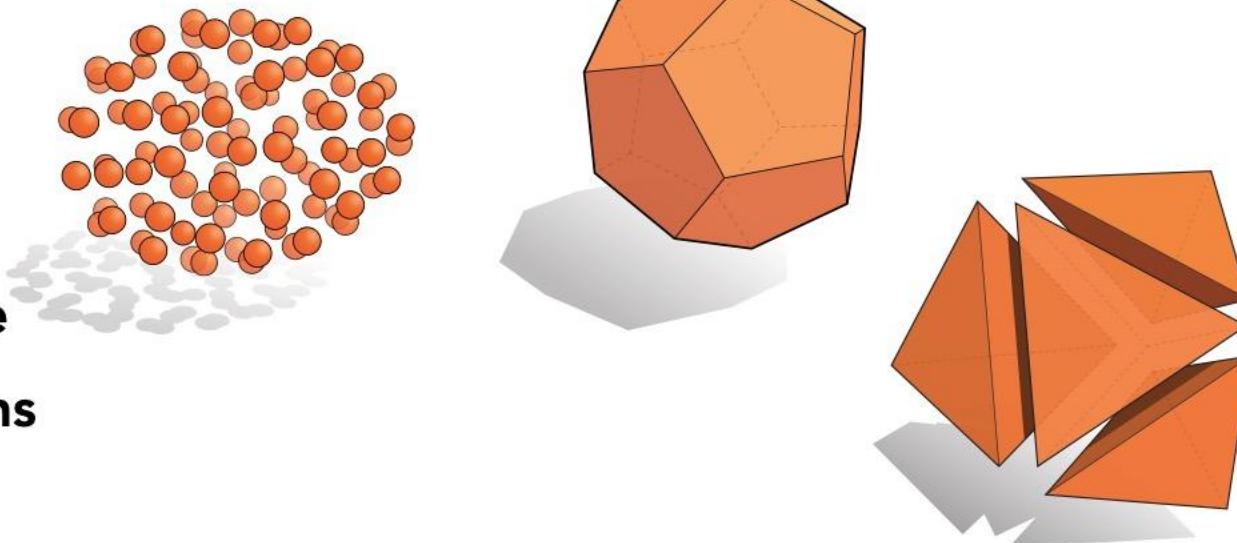
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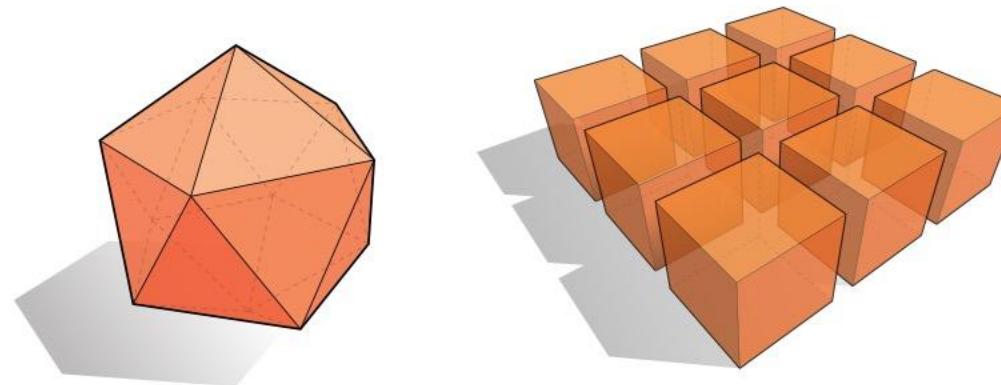
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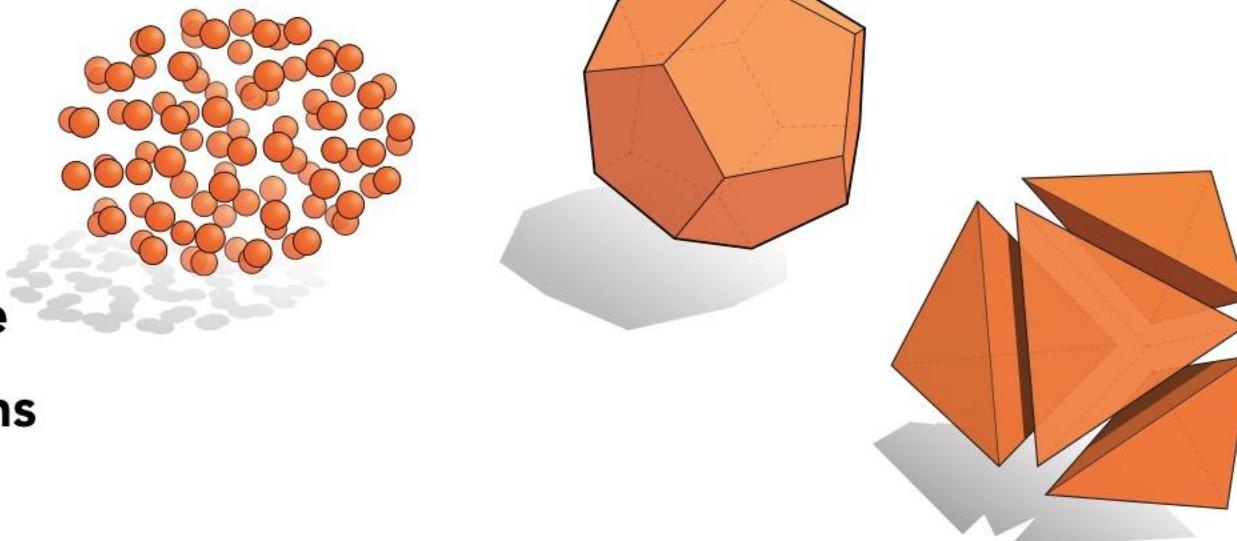
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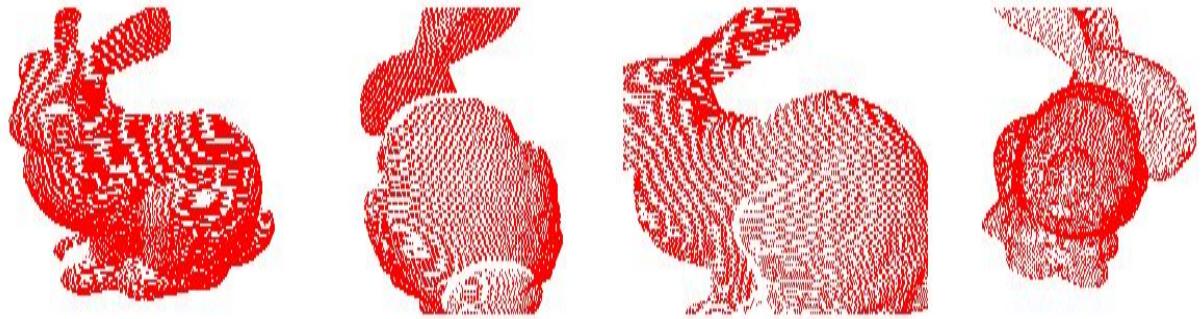


Each choice best suited to a different task/type of geometry

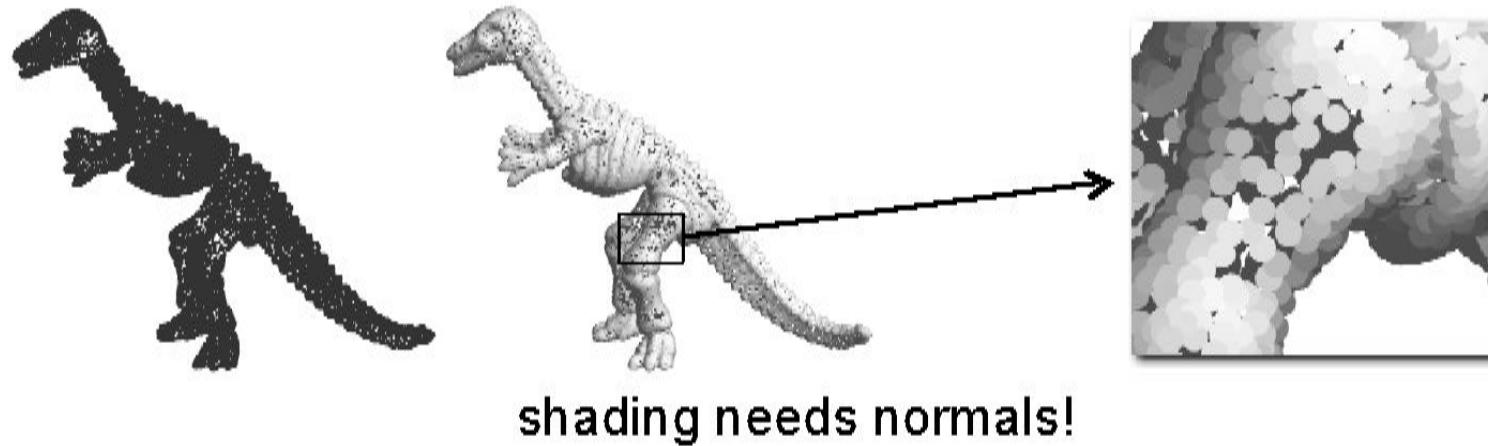
Representation Considerations

- Needs to be stored in the computer
- Creation of new shapes
 - Input metaphors, interfaces...
- Operations
 - Editing, simplification, smoothing, filtering, repairing...
- Rendering
 - Rasterization, ray tracing...
- Animation

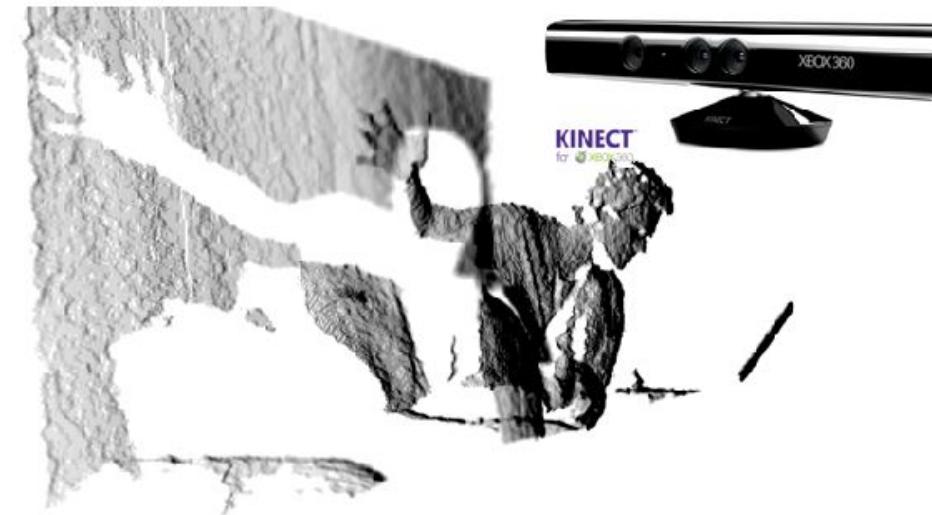
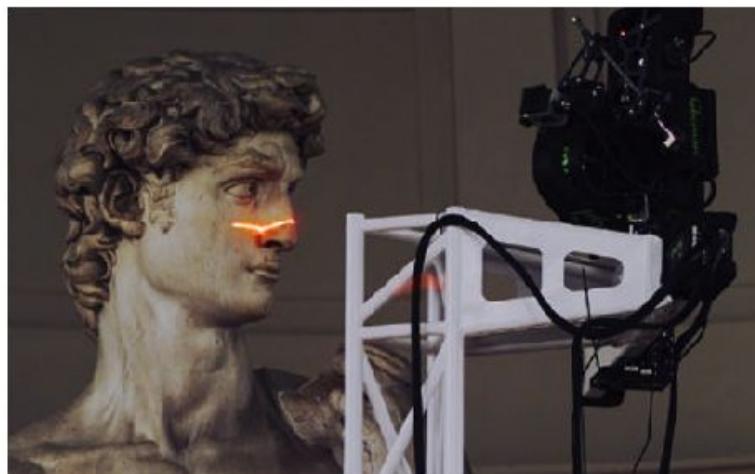
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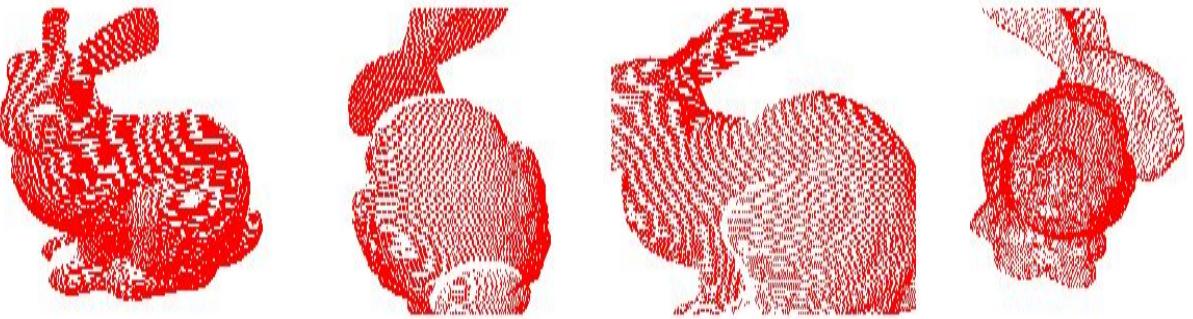


Output of Acquisition



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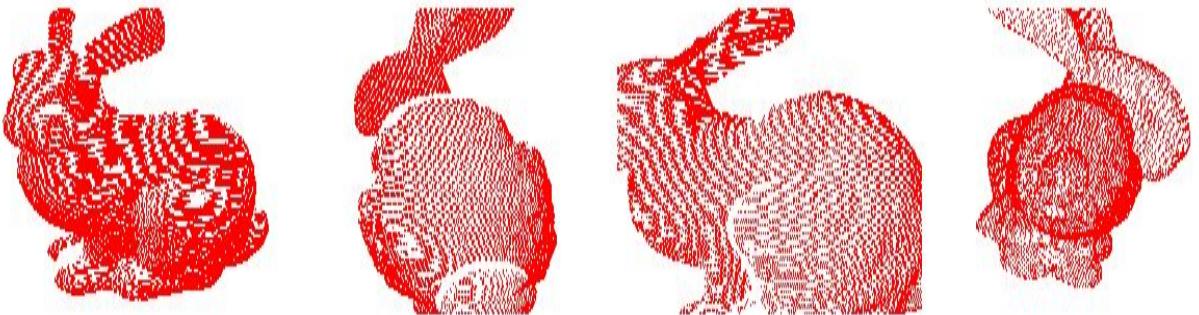


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- Potentially noisy
- Registration of multiple images

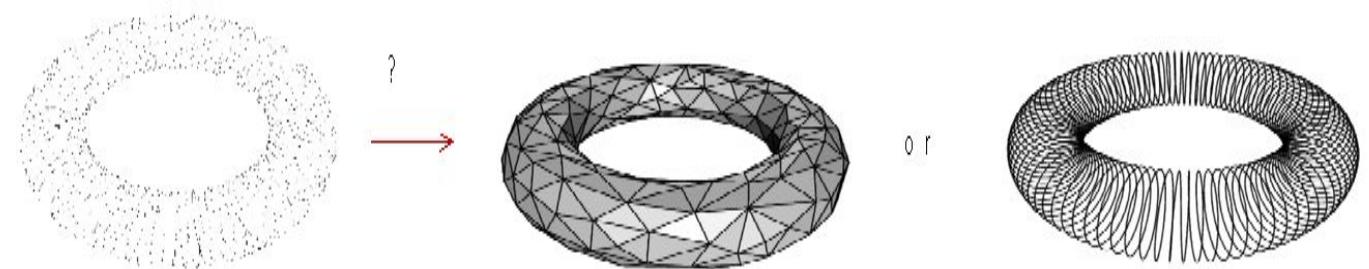


set of raw scans

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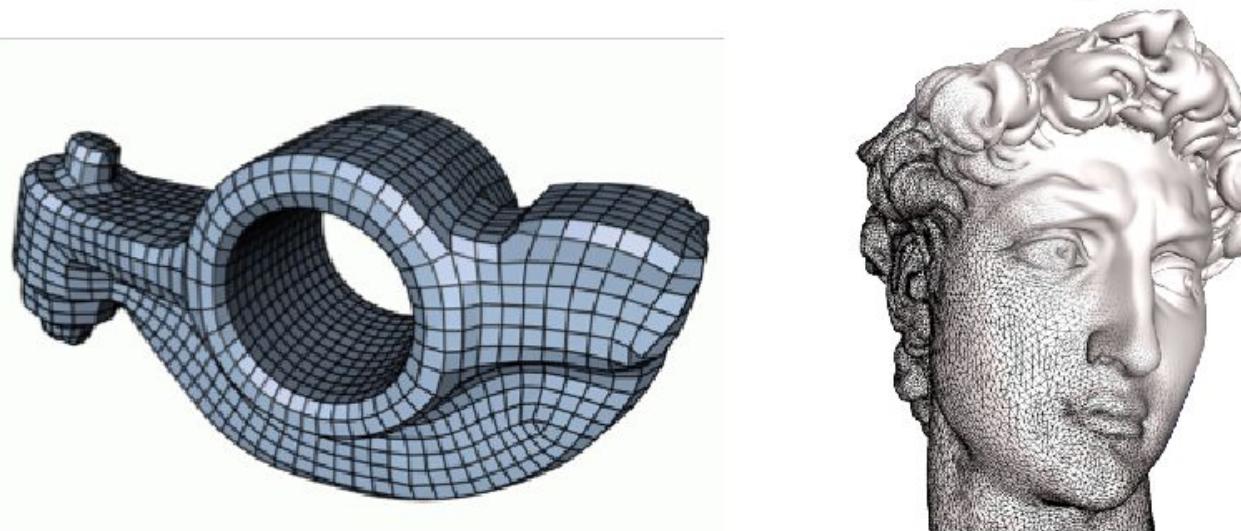
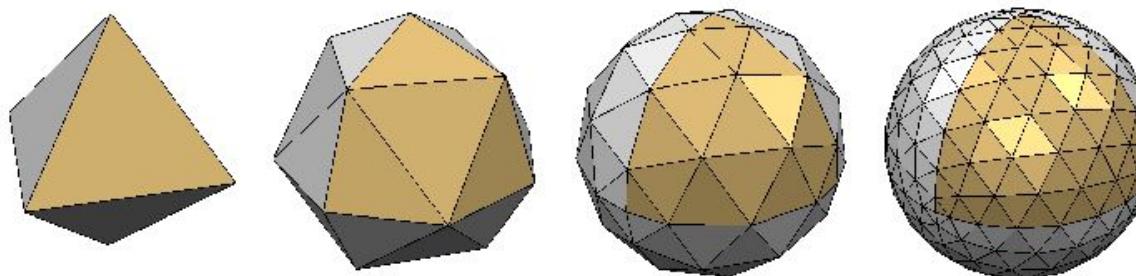


- Easily represent any kind of geometry
- Useful for large datasets
- Difficult to draw in undersampled regions
- Other limitations:
 - No simplification or subdivision
 - No direction smooth rendering
 - No topological information



Polygonal Meshes

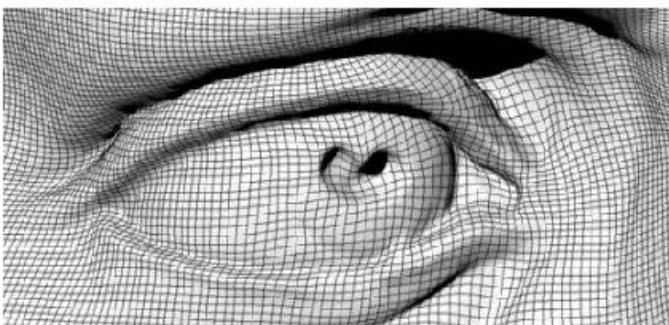
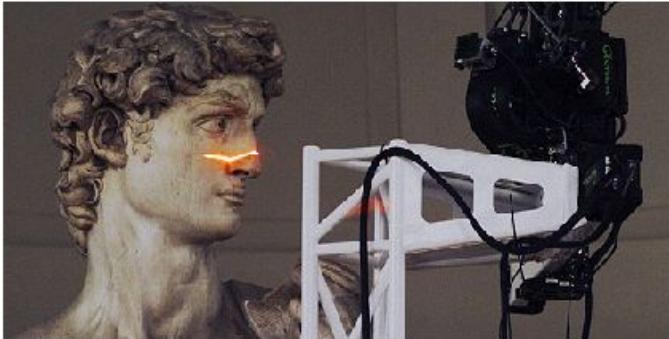
- Boundary representations of objects



A Large Triangle Mesh

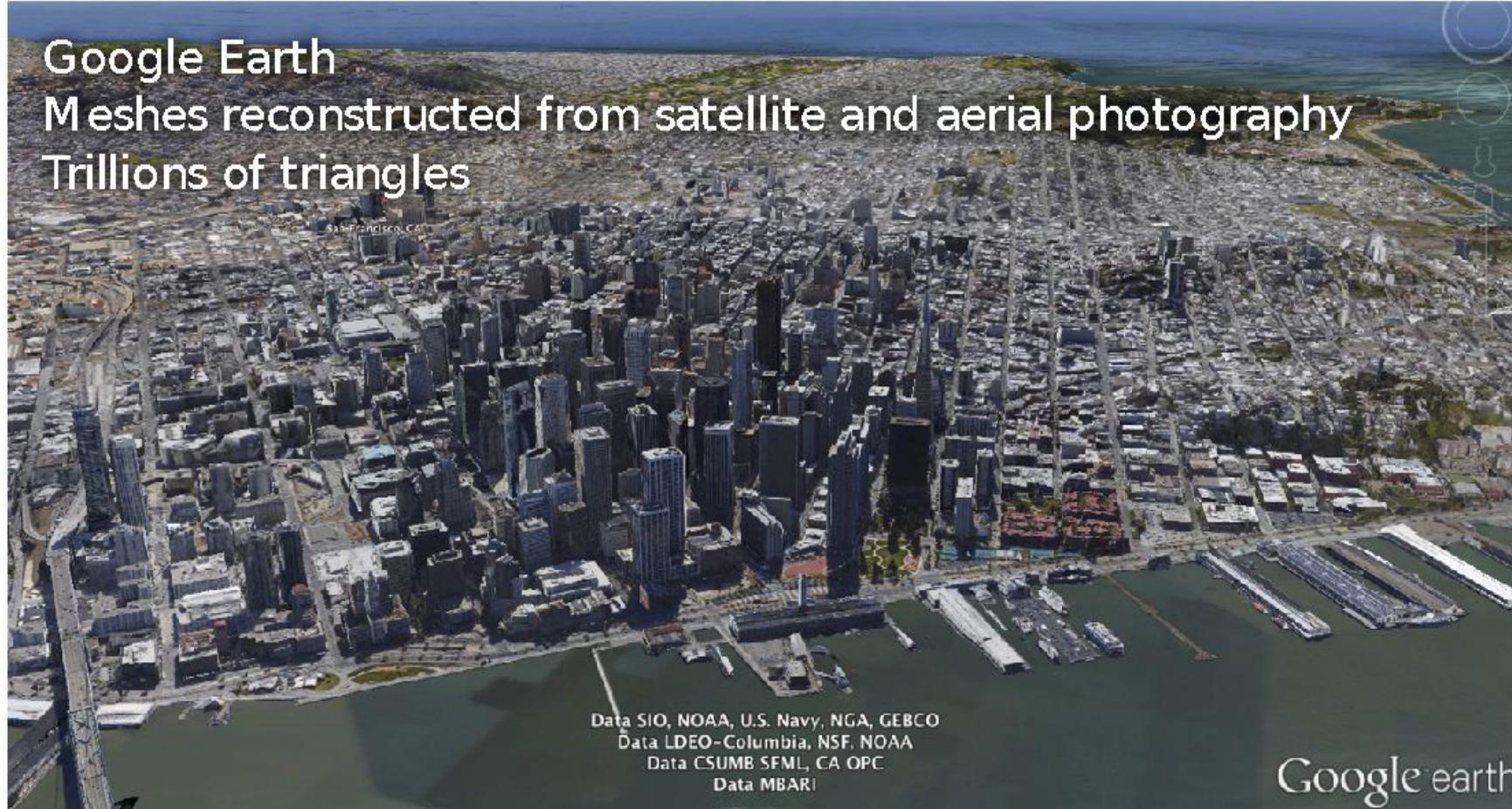
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Digital Michelangelo Project
28,184,526 vertices
56,230,343 triangles



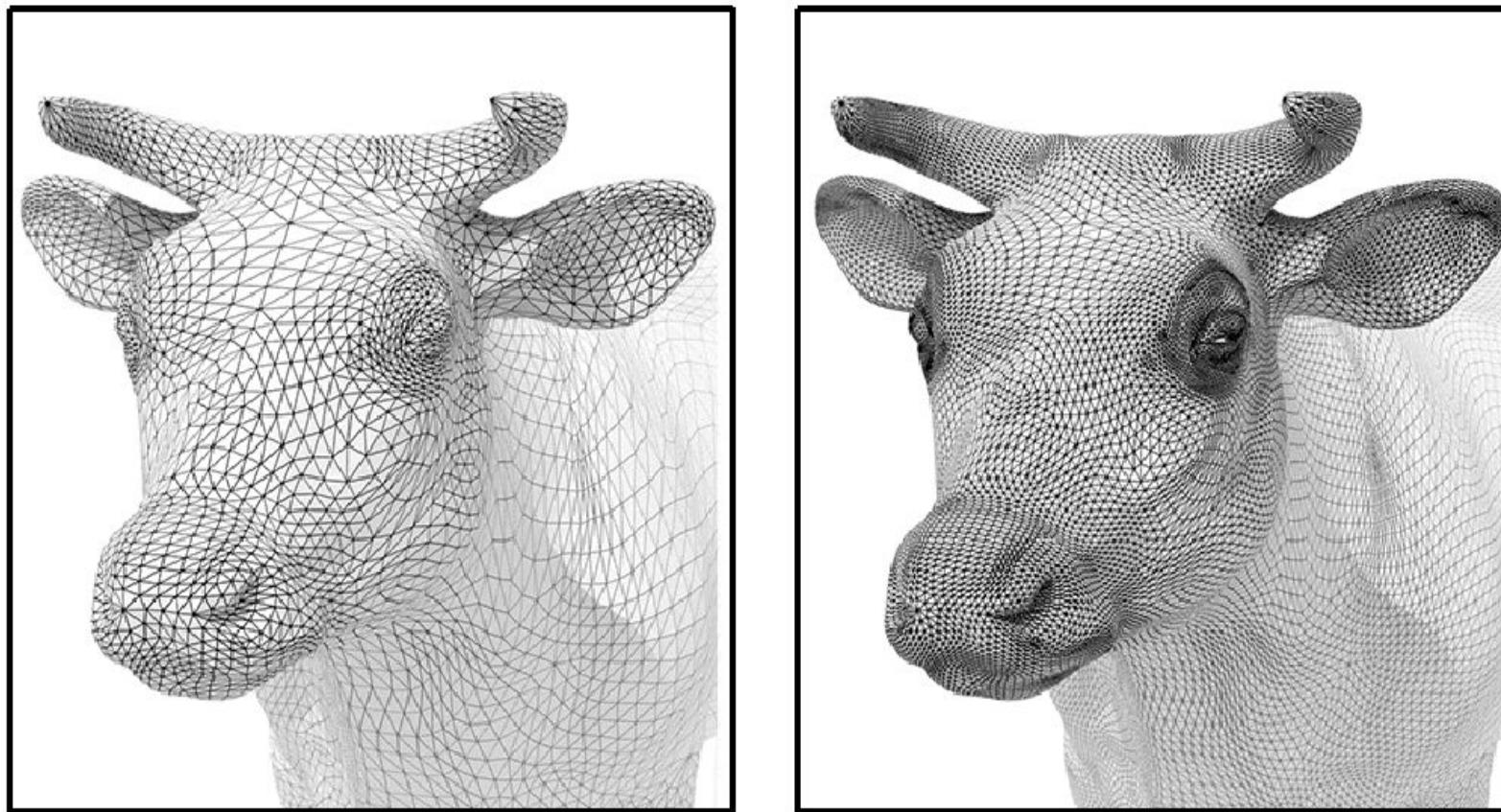
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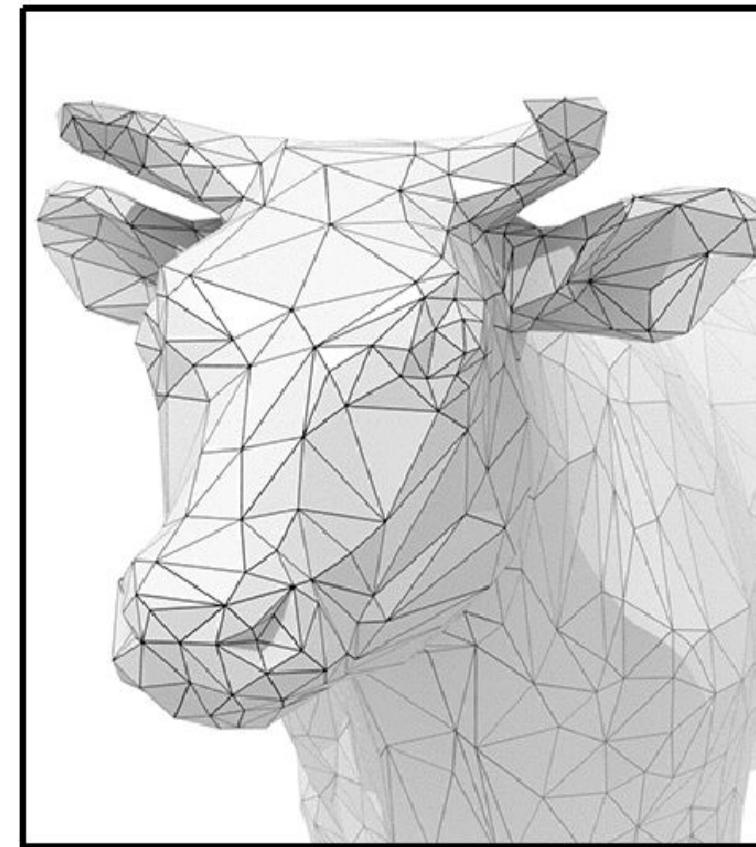
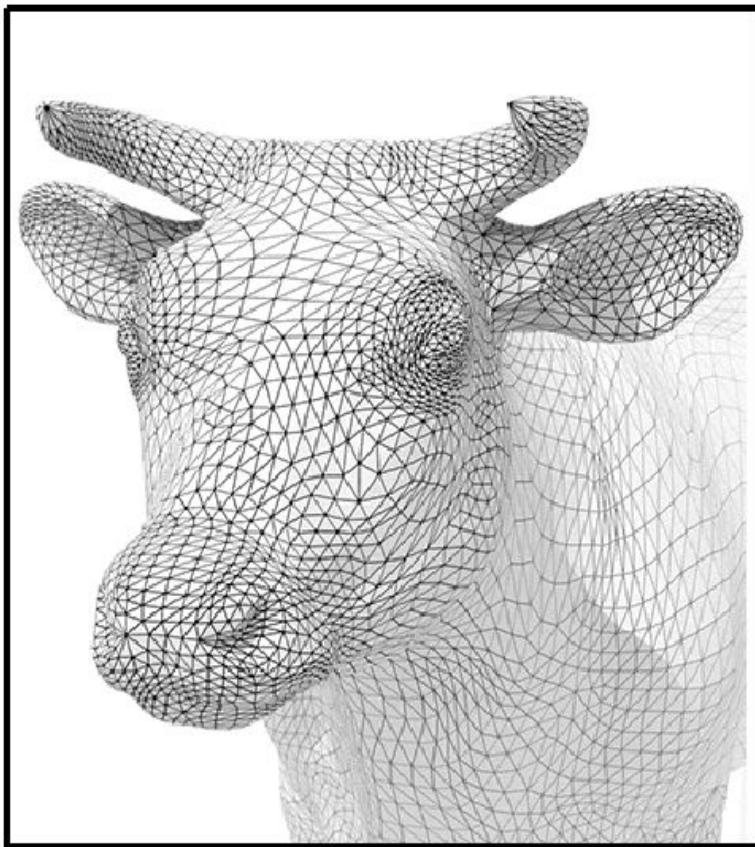
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Mesh Upsampling – Subdivision



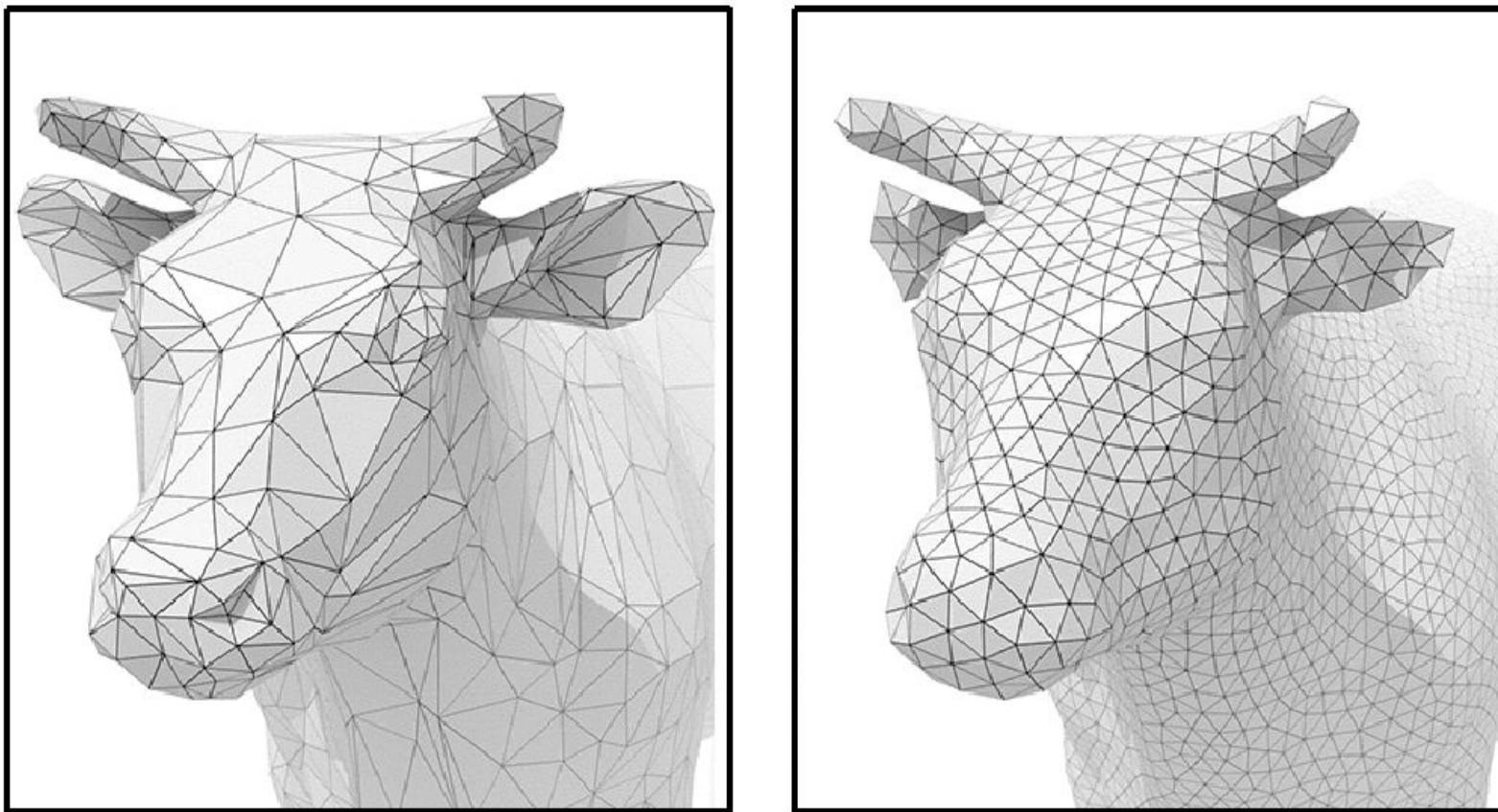
Increase resolution via interpolation

Mesh Downsampling – Simplification



Decrease resolution; try to preserve shape/appearance

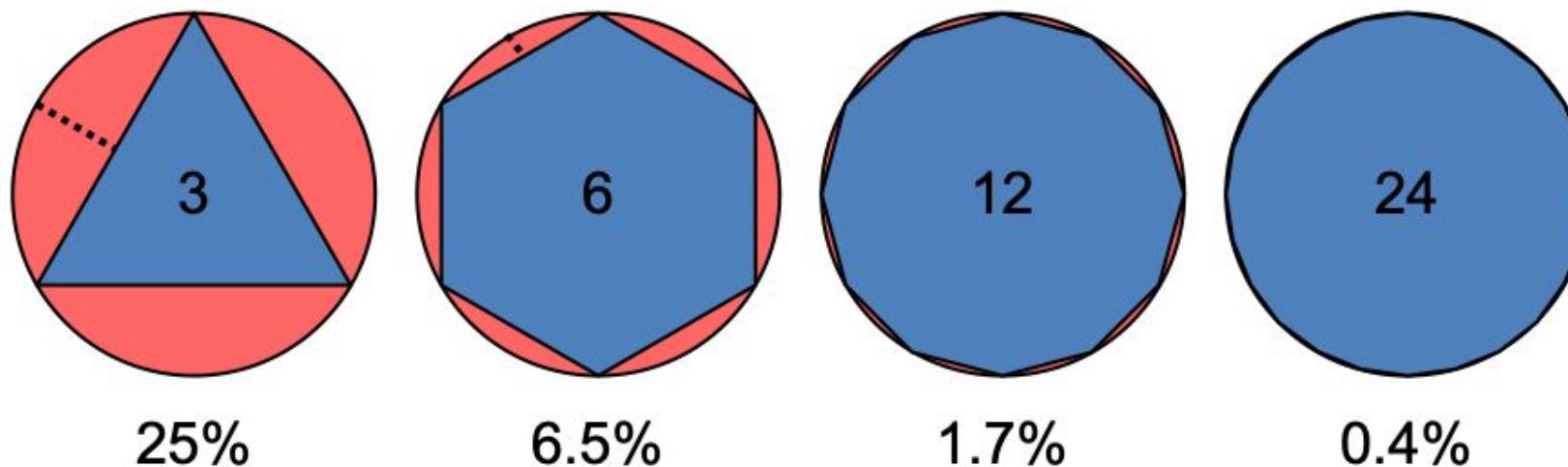
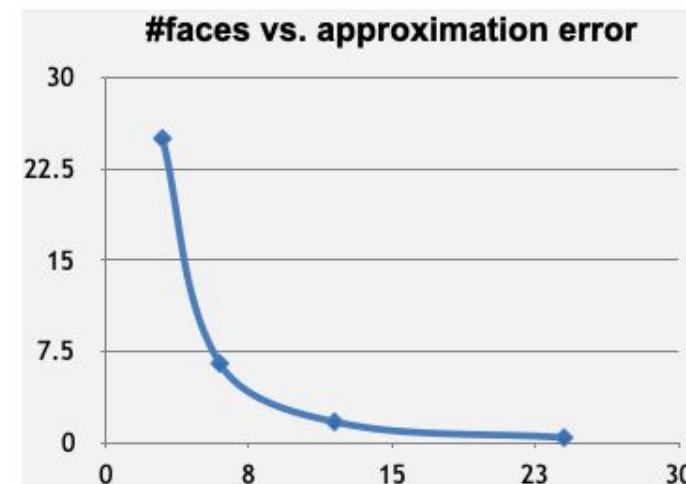
Mesh Regularization



Modify sample distribution to improve quality

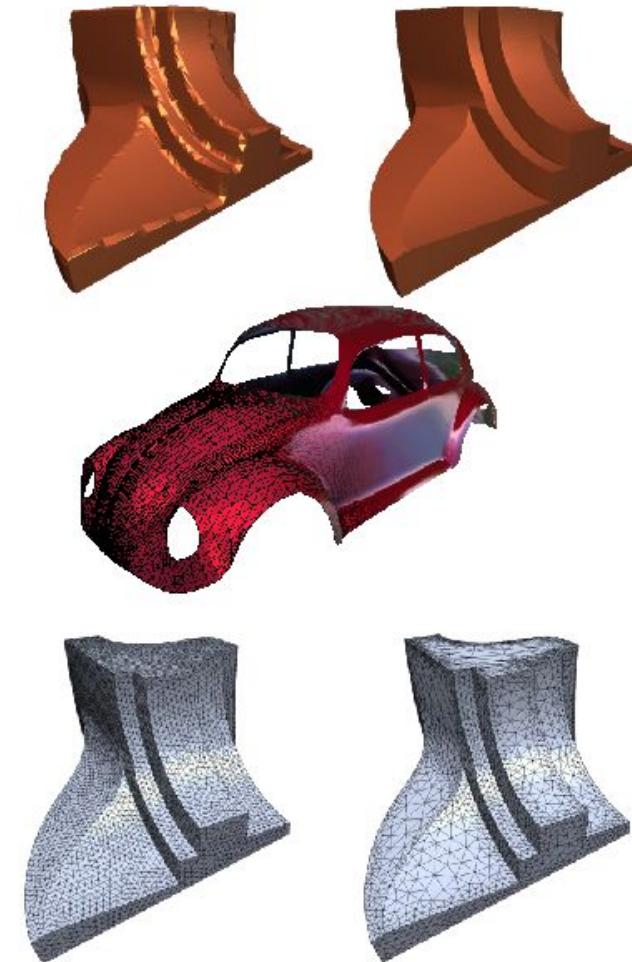
Meshes as Approximations of Smooth Surfaces

- Piecewise linear approximation
 - Error is $O(h^2)$

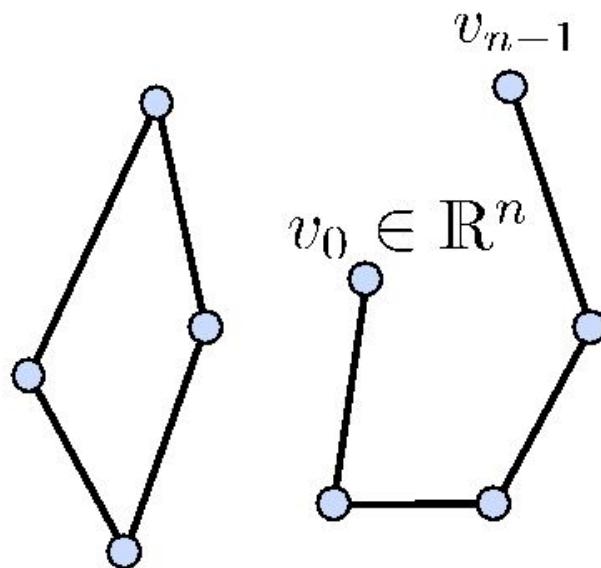


Polygonal Meshes

- Polygonal meshes are a good representation
 - approximation $O(h^2)$
 - arbitrary topology
 - adaptive refinement
 - efficient rendering

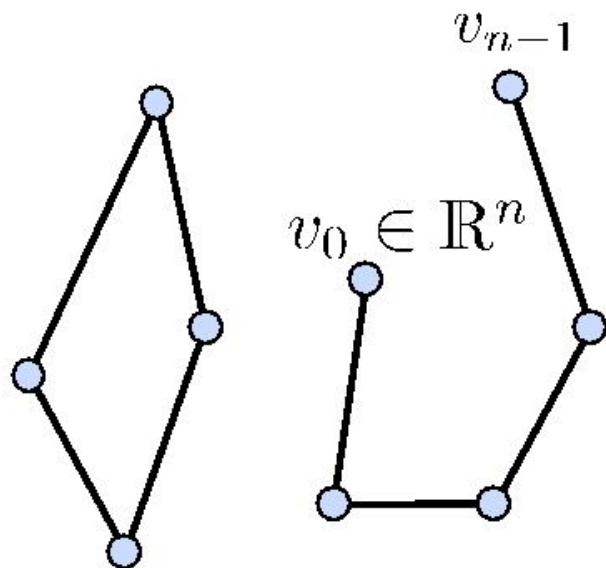


Polygon



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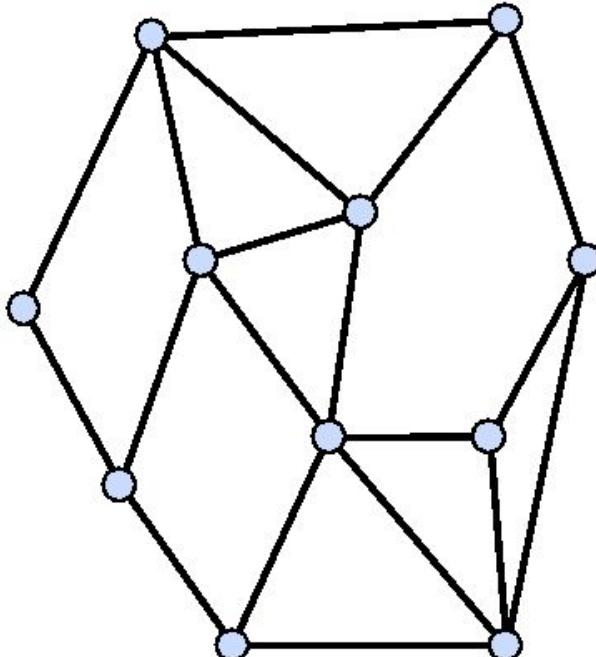
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- **Planar:** all vertices on a plane
- **Simple:** not self-intersecting

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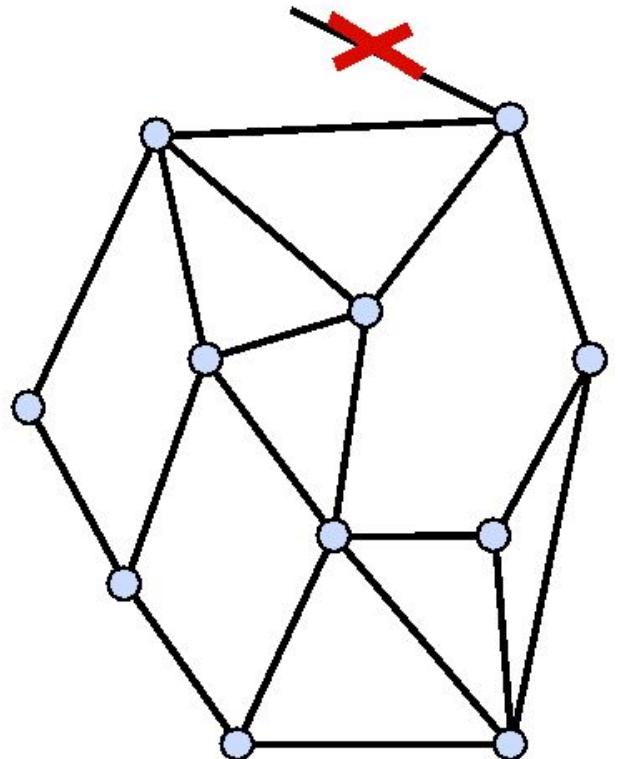
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$$M = \langle V, E, F \rangle$$

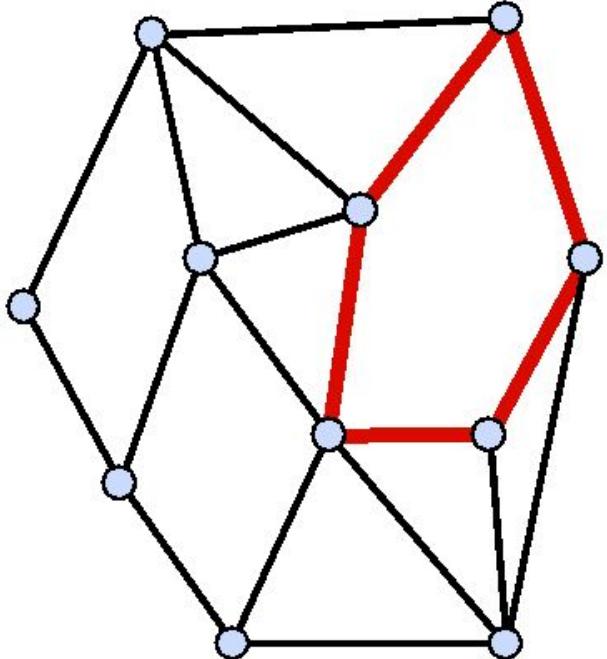
vertices edges faces

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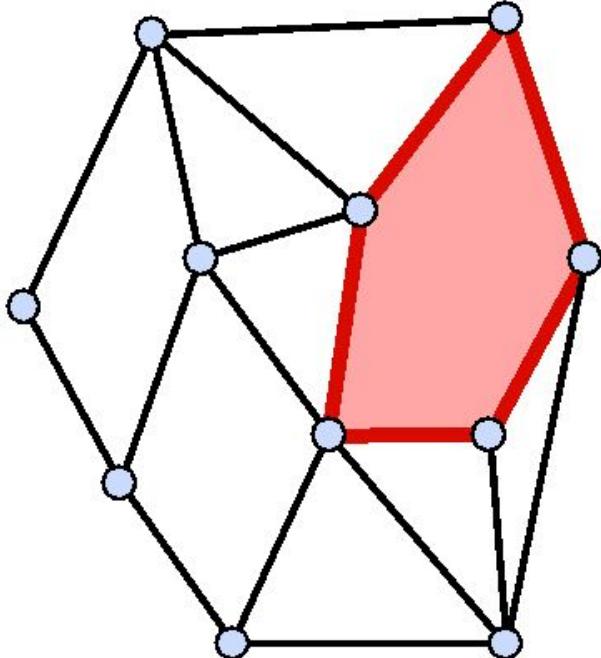
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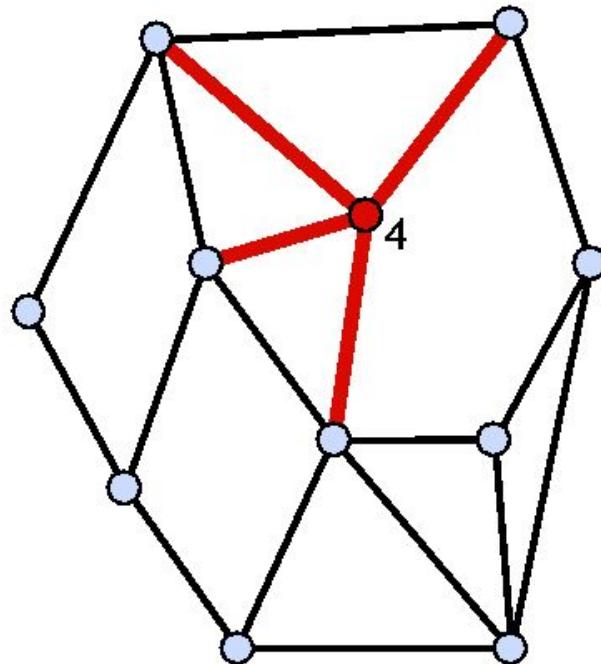
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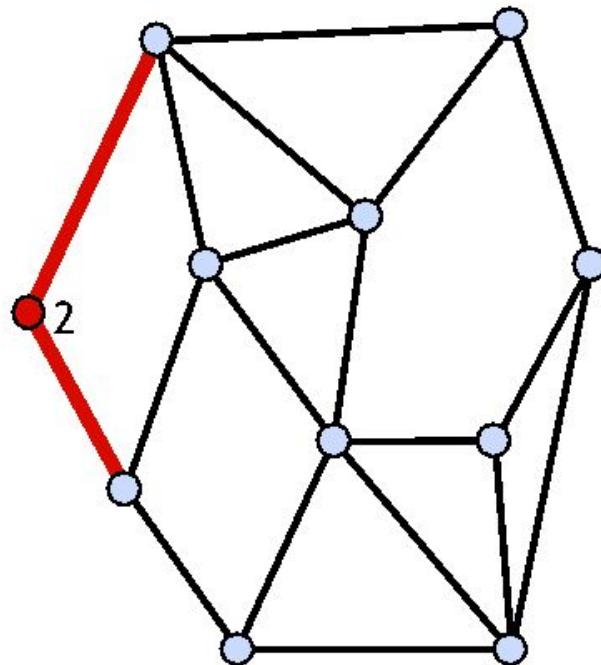
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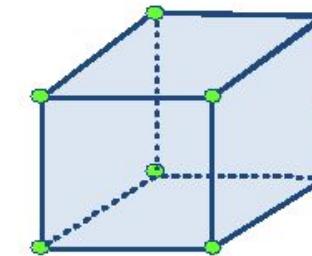
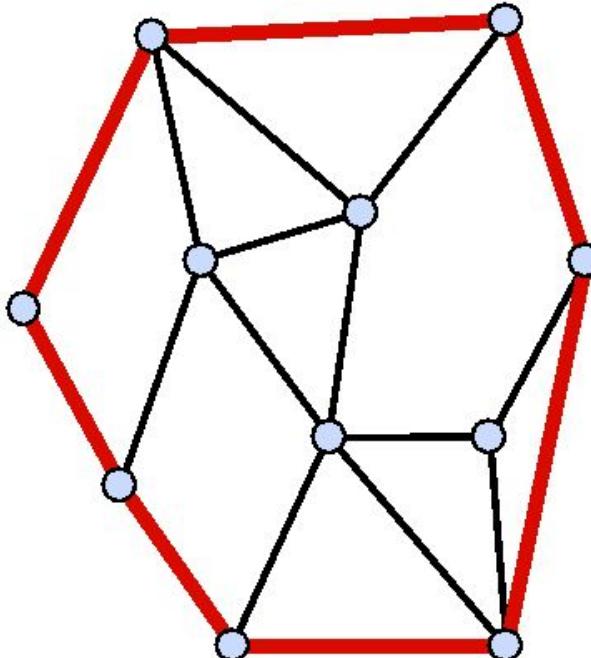
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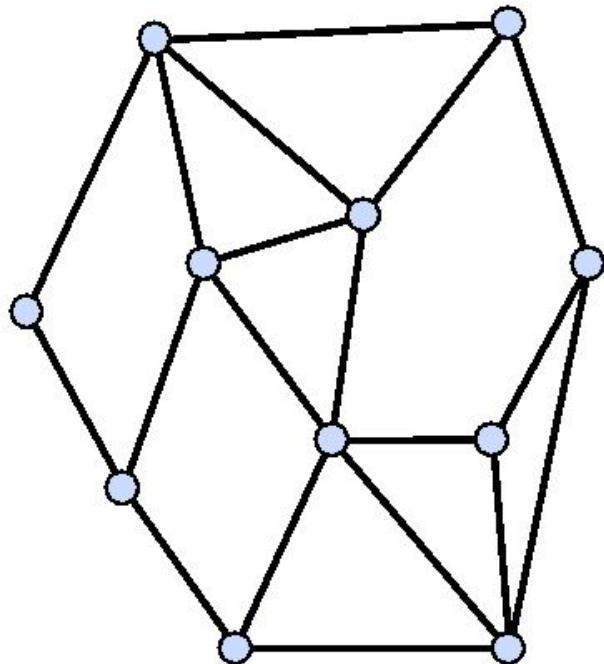
Polygonal Mesh

- Boundary: the set of all edges that belong to only one polygon
 - Either empty or forms closed loops
 - If empty, then the polygonal mesh is closed



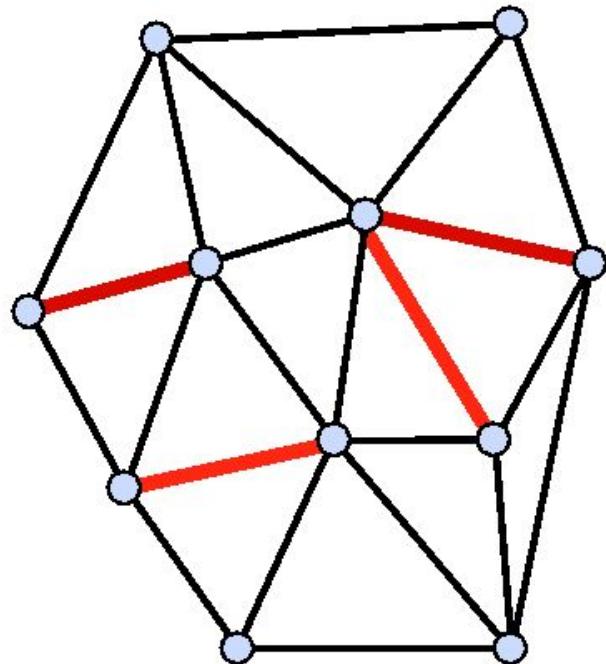
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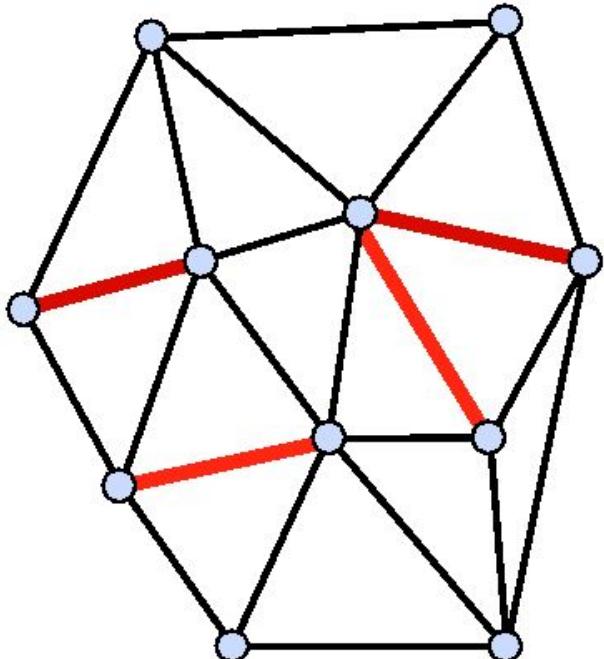
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Triangulation

- Polygonal mesh where every face is a triangle
- Simplifies data structures
- Simplifies rendering
- Simplifies algorithms
- Each face planar and convex
- Any polygon can be triangulated



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 - Attributes
 - Normal, color, texture coordinates
 - Per vertex, face, edge

Simple Data Structures: Indexed Face Set

- Used in formats
 - OBJ, OFF, WRL
- Storage
 - Vertex: position
 - Face: vertex indices
 - 12 bytes per vertex
 - 12 bytes per face
 - $36*v$ bytes for the mesh
- No explicit neighborhood info

Vertices			
v0	x0	y0	z0
v1	x1	x1	z1
v2	x2	y2	z2
v3	x3	y3	z3
v4	x4	y4	z4
v5	x5	y5	z5
v6	x6	y6	z6
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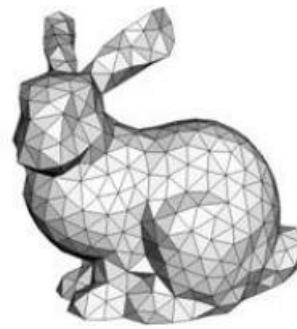
Triangles			
t0	v0	v1	v2
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t2	v2	v4	v3
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Shape Representations

Non-parametric



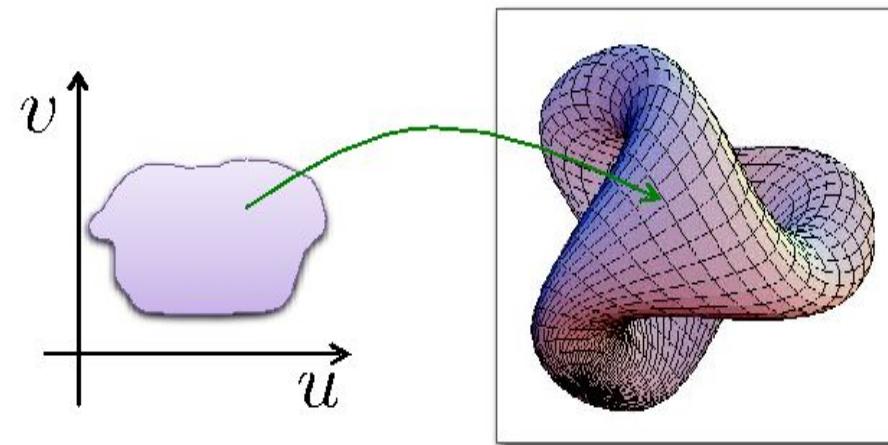
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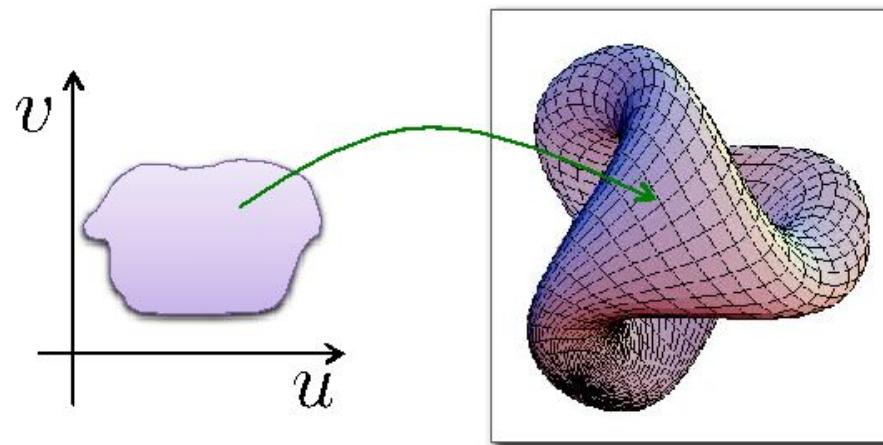
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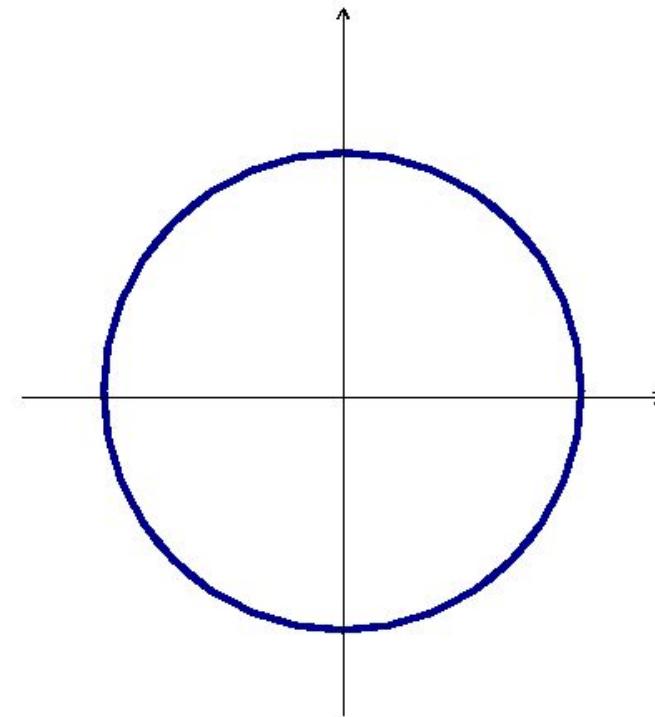
$$s(u, v) = (x(u, v), y(u, v), z(u, v))$$

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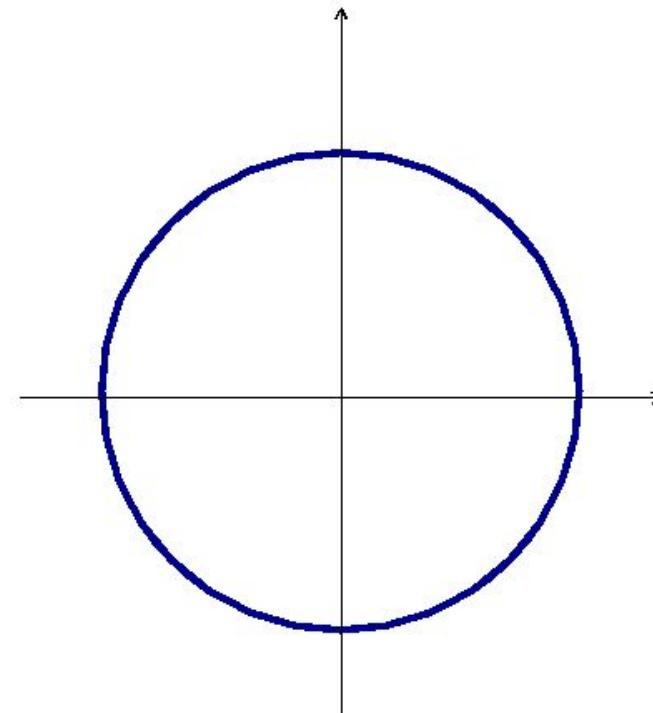
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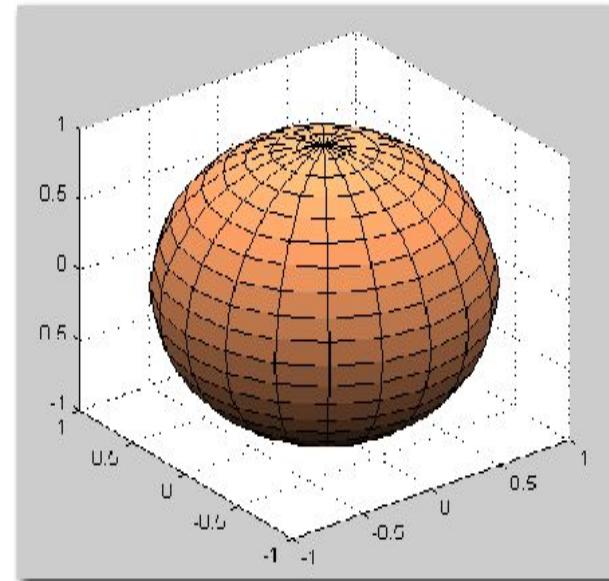
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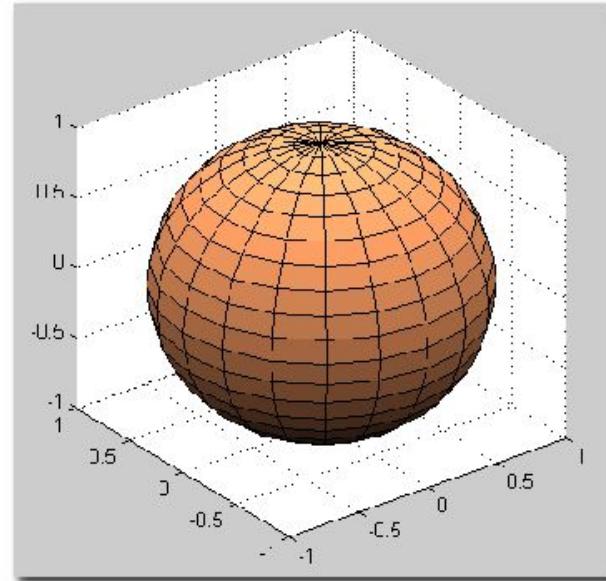
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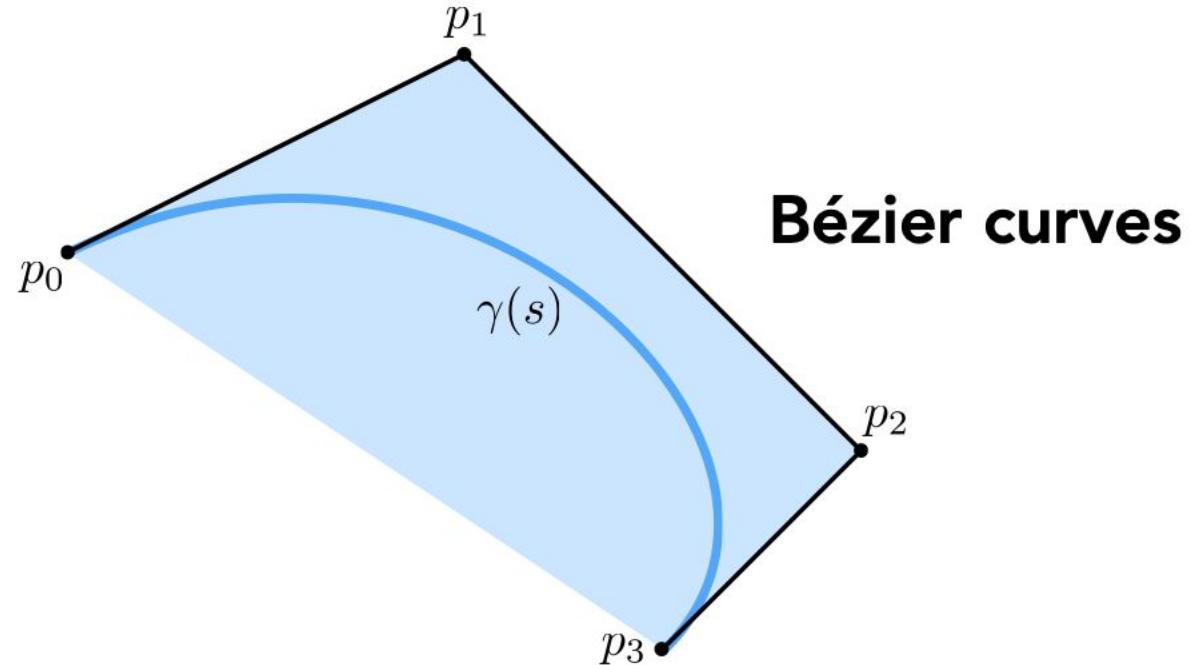
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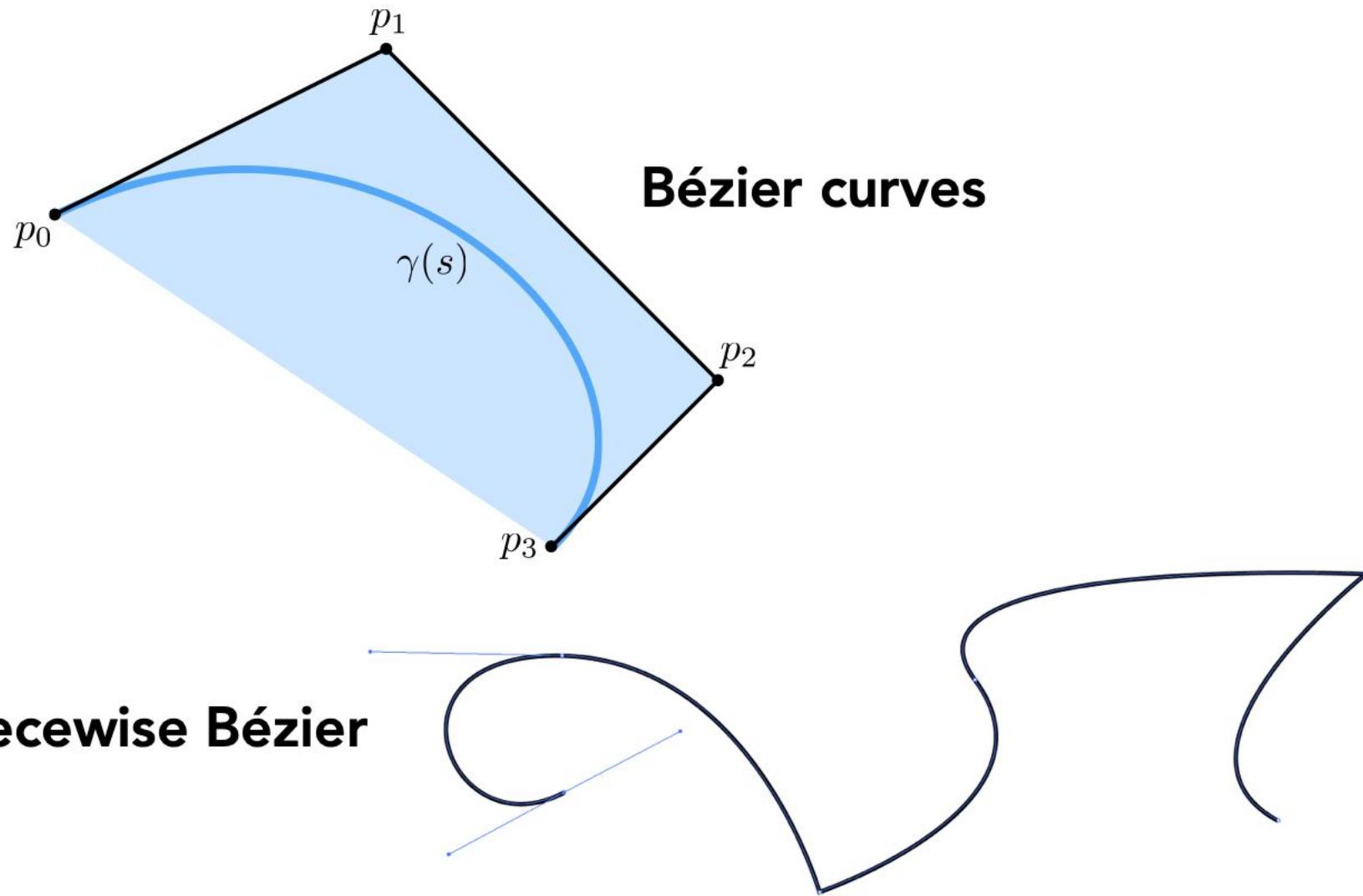
$$(u, v) \in [0, 2\pi) \times [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$$

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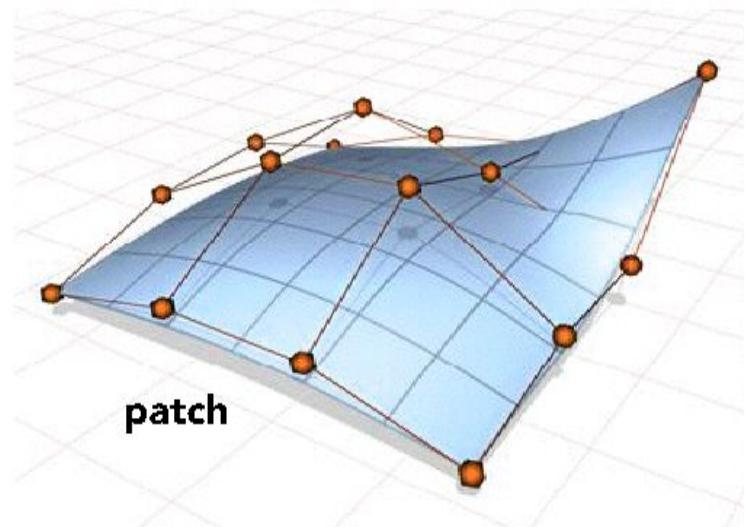
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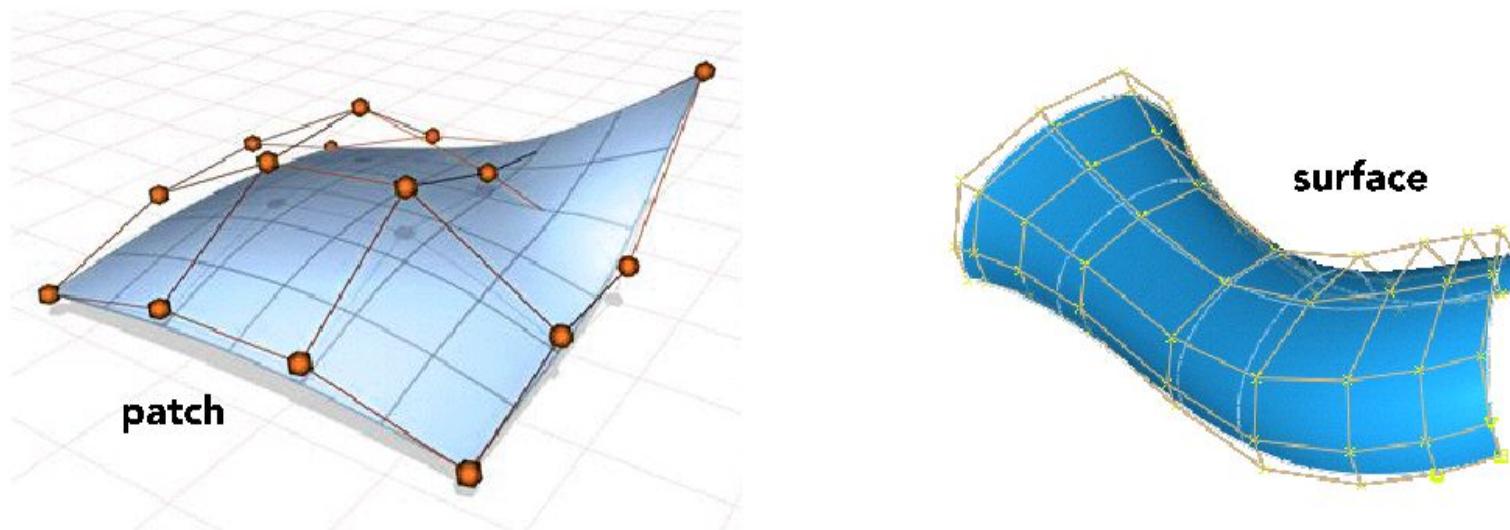
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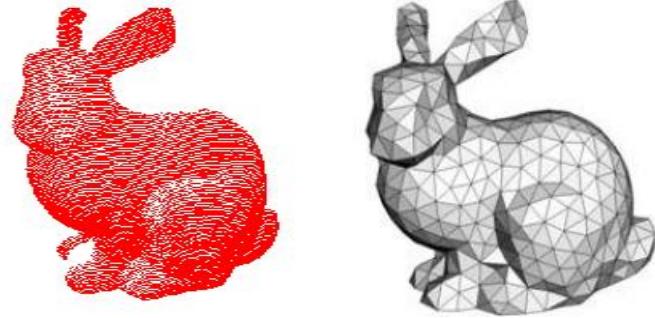


Multiple Bézier patches form a surface

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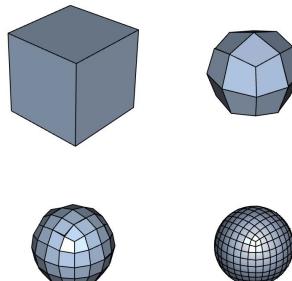
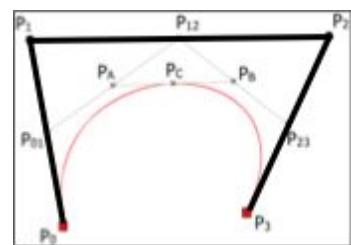
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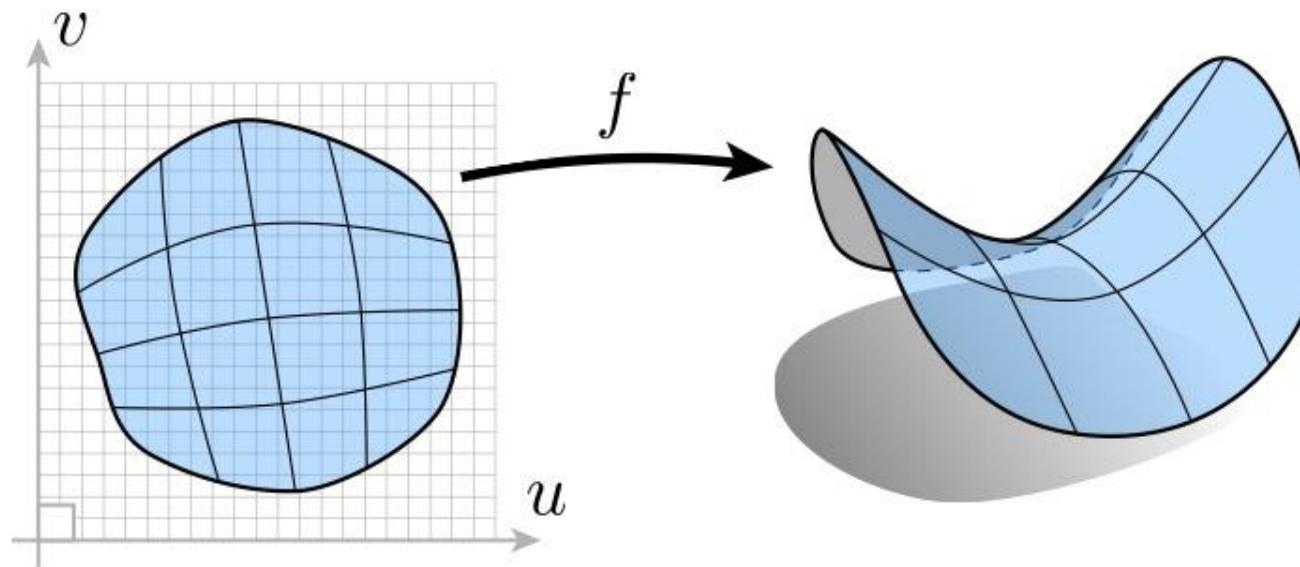
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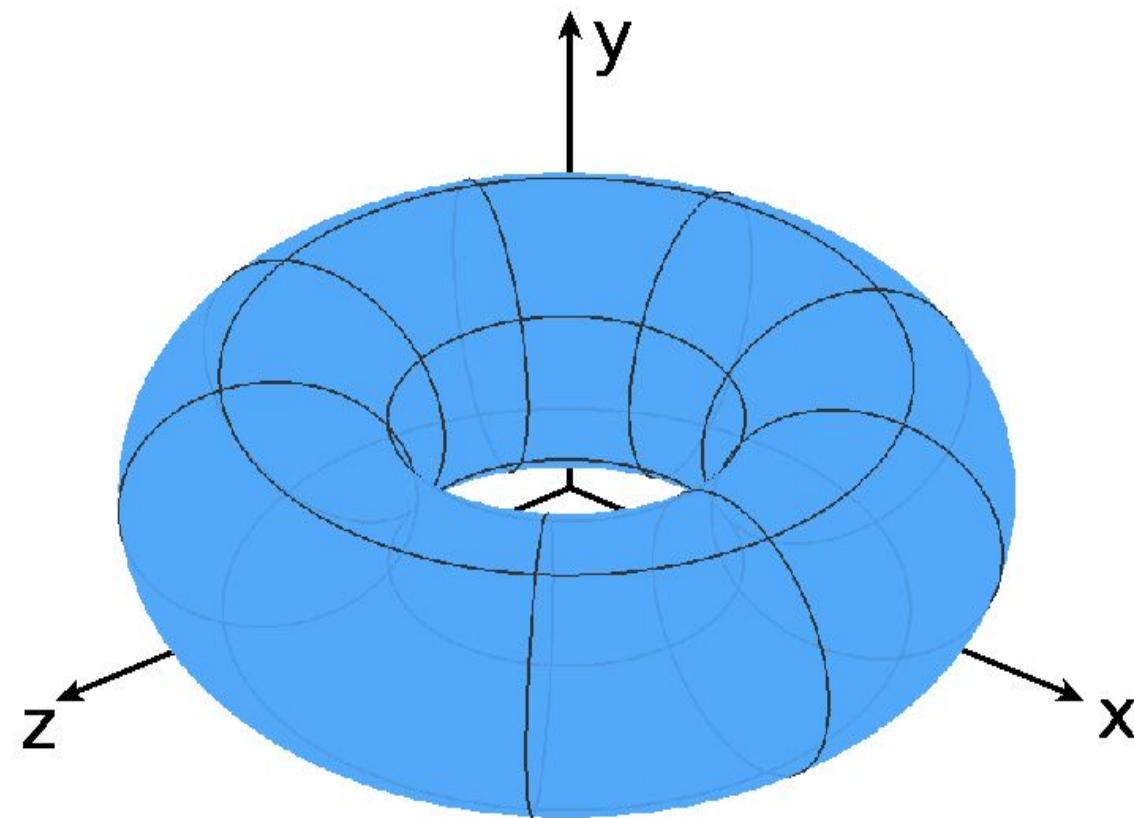
Generally:

$$f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3; (u, v) \mapsto (x, y, z)$$



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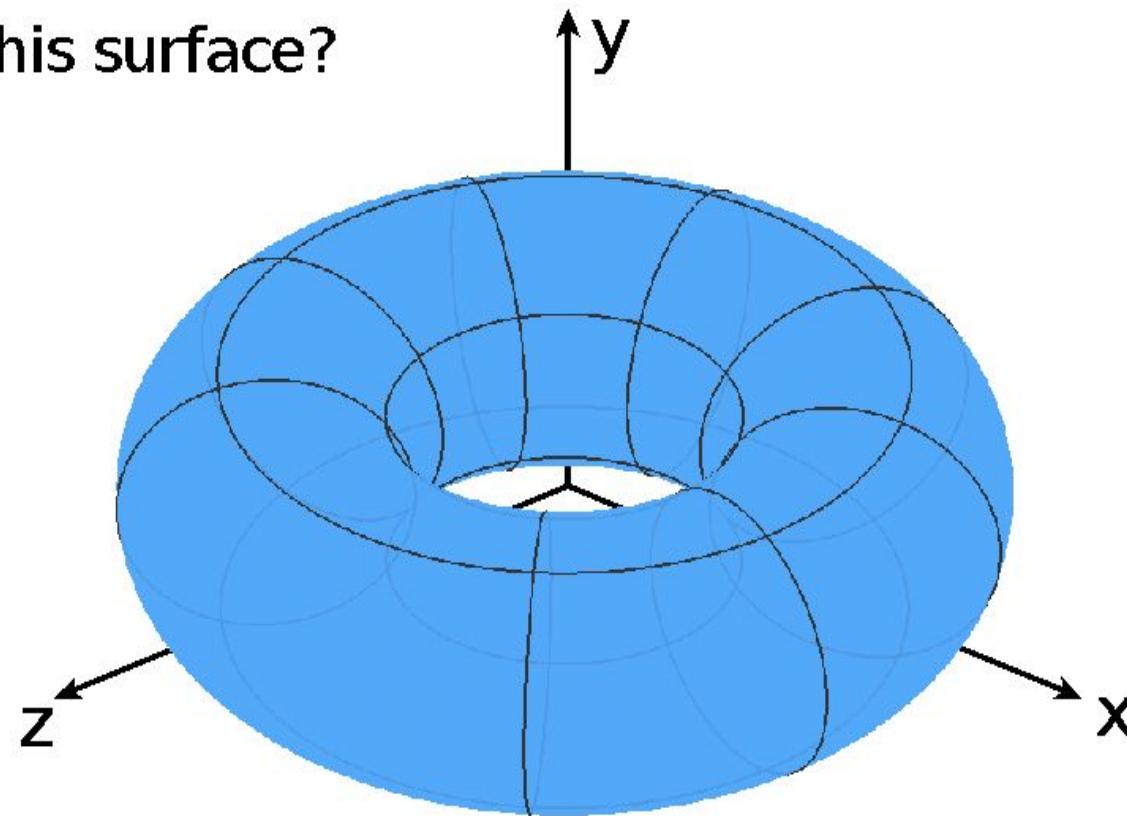
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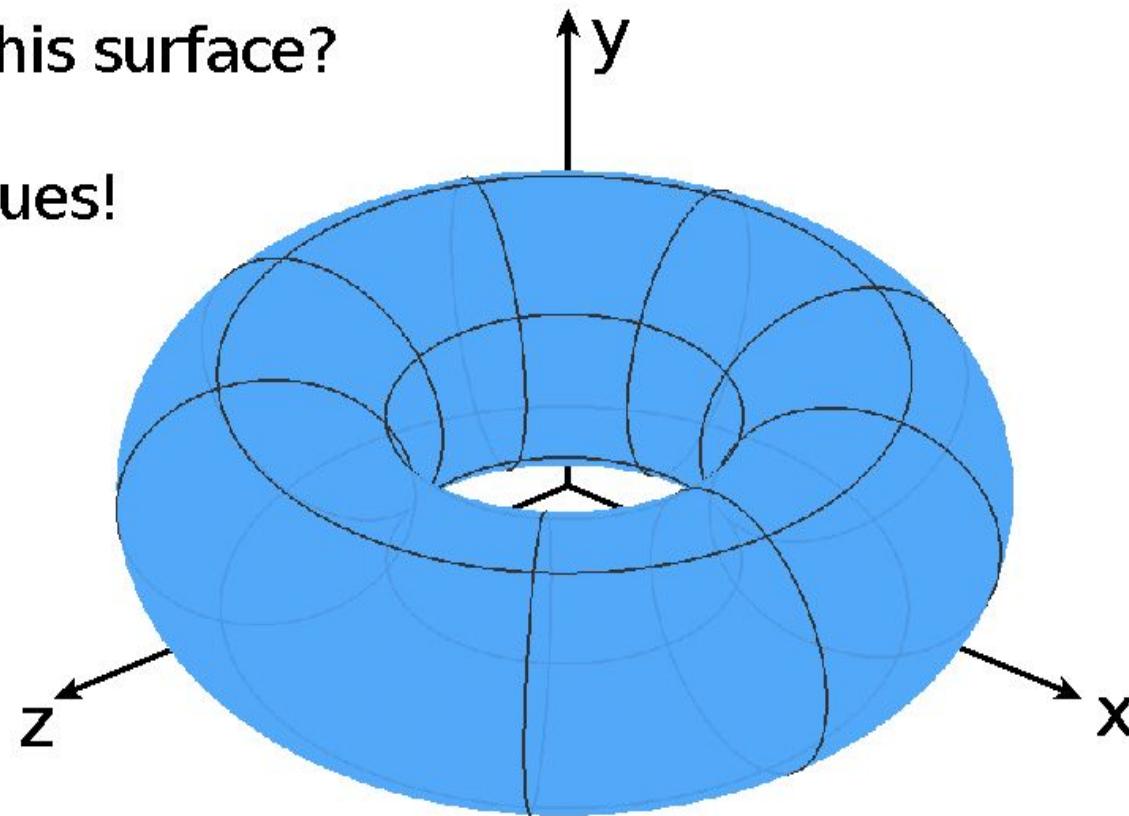


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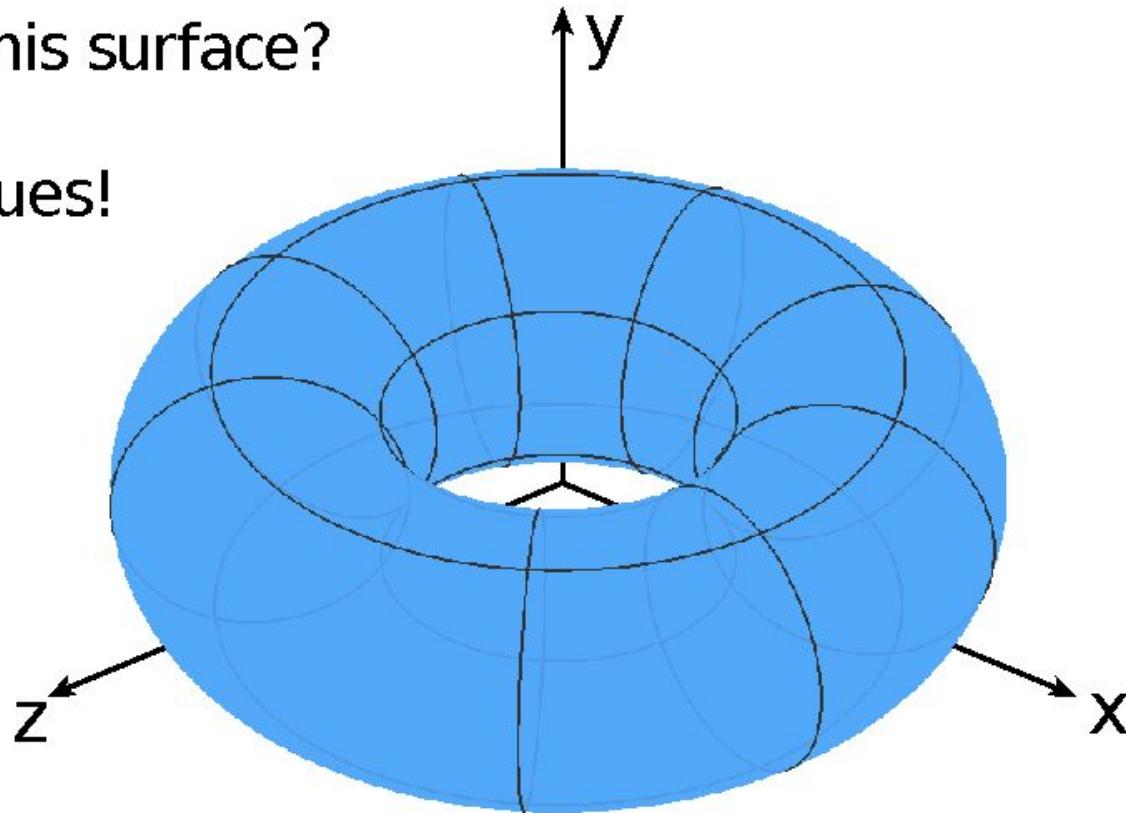


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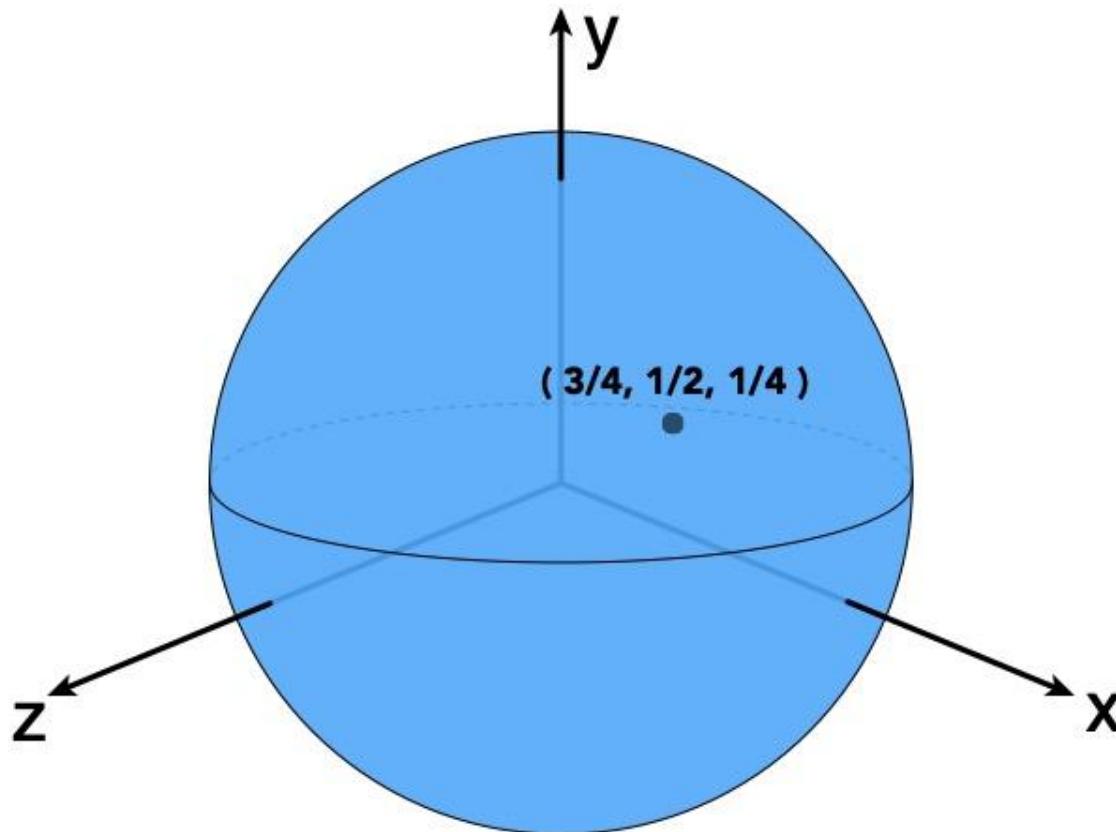
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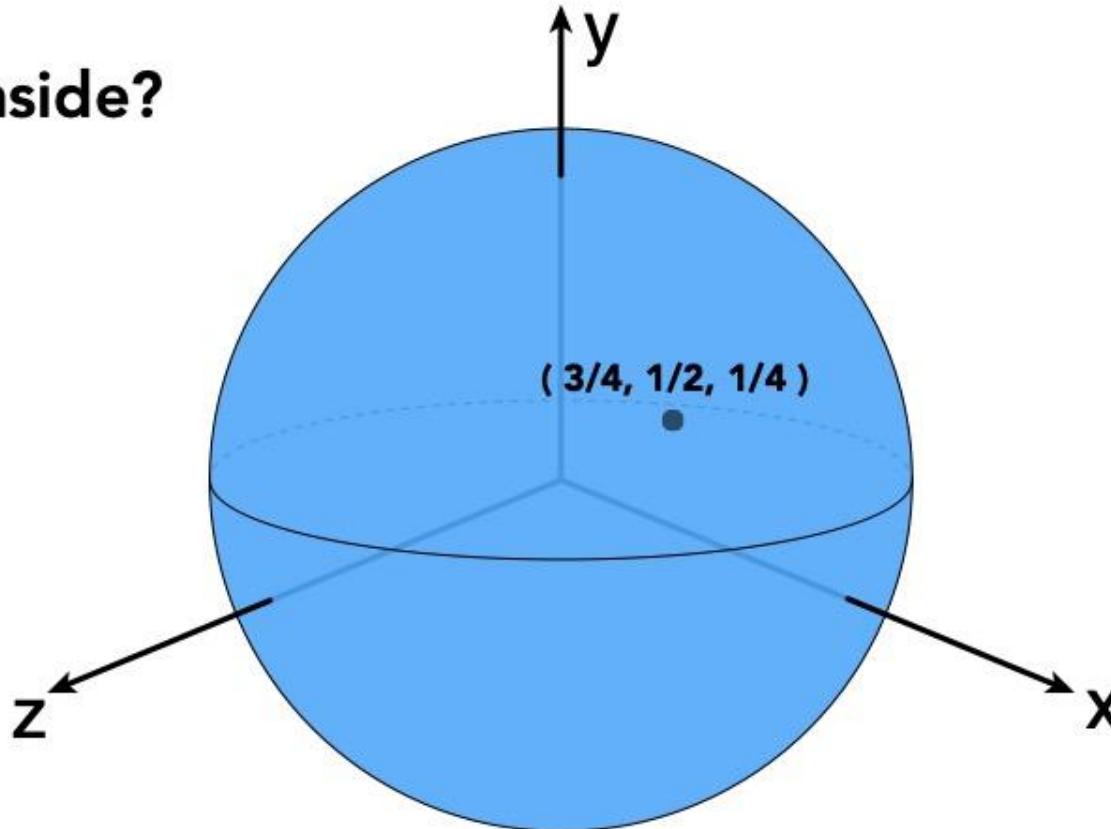
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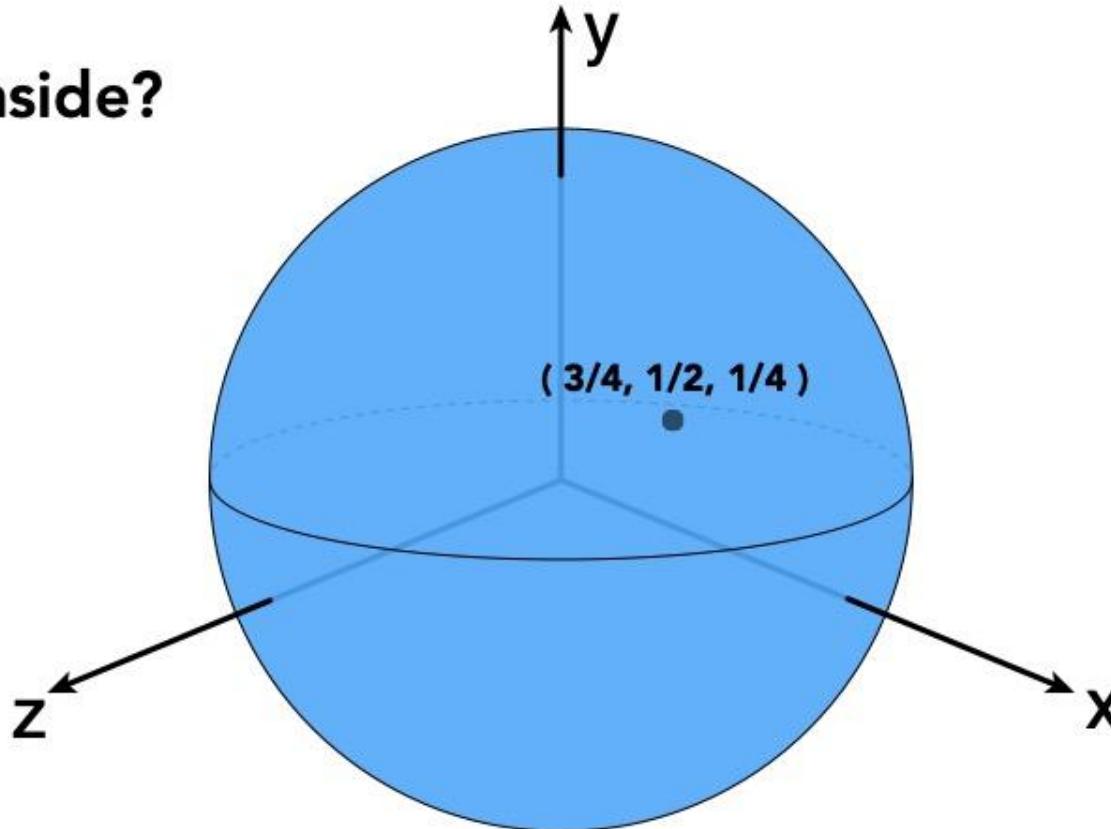
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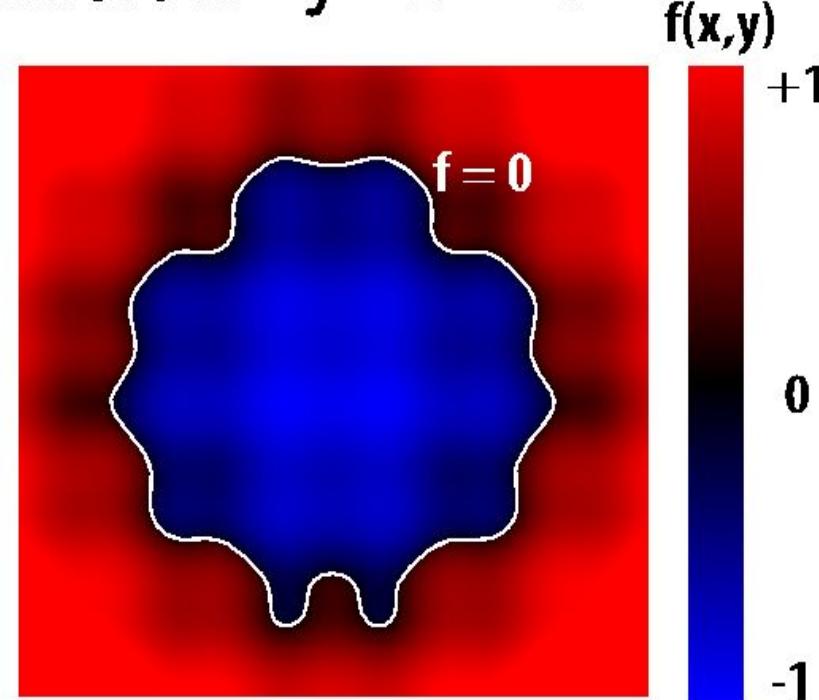
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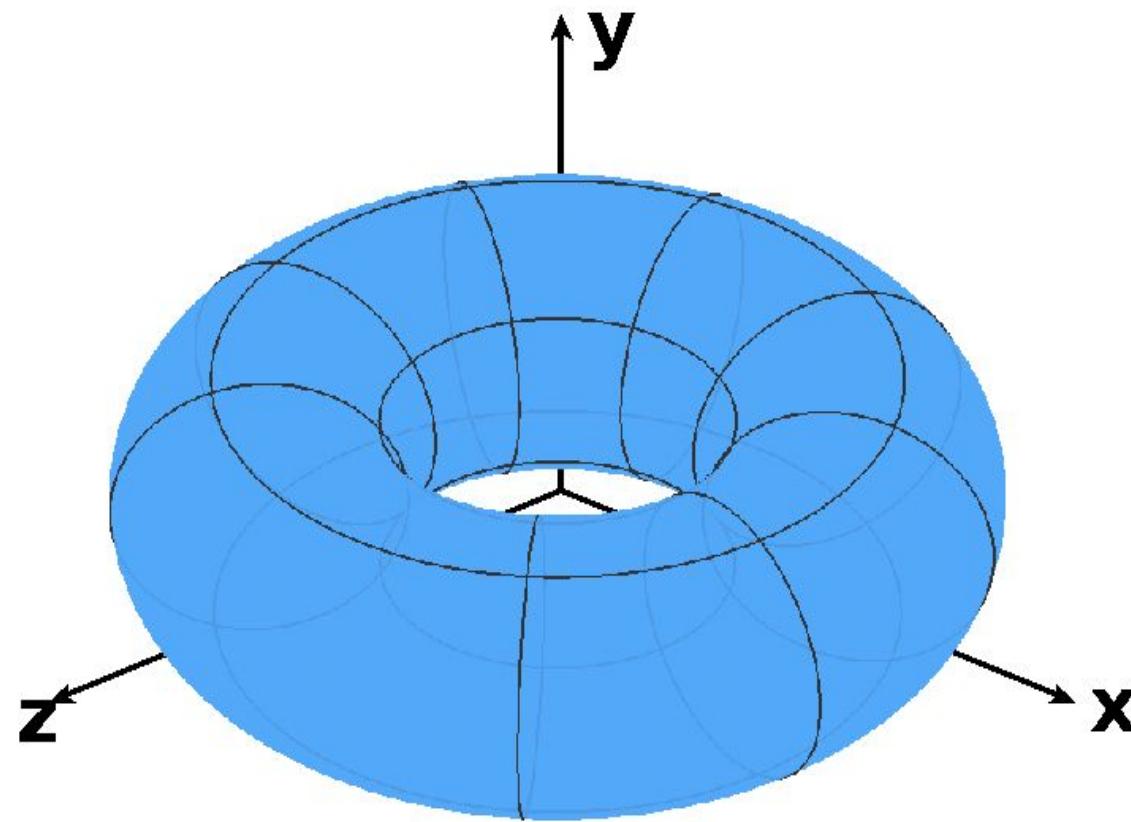
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More generally, $f(x,y,z) = 0$



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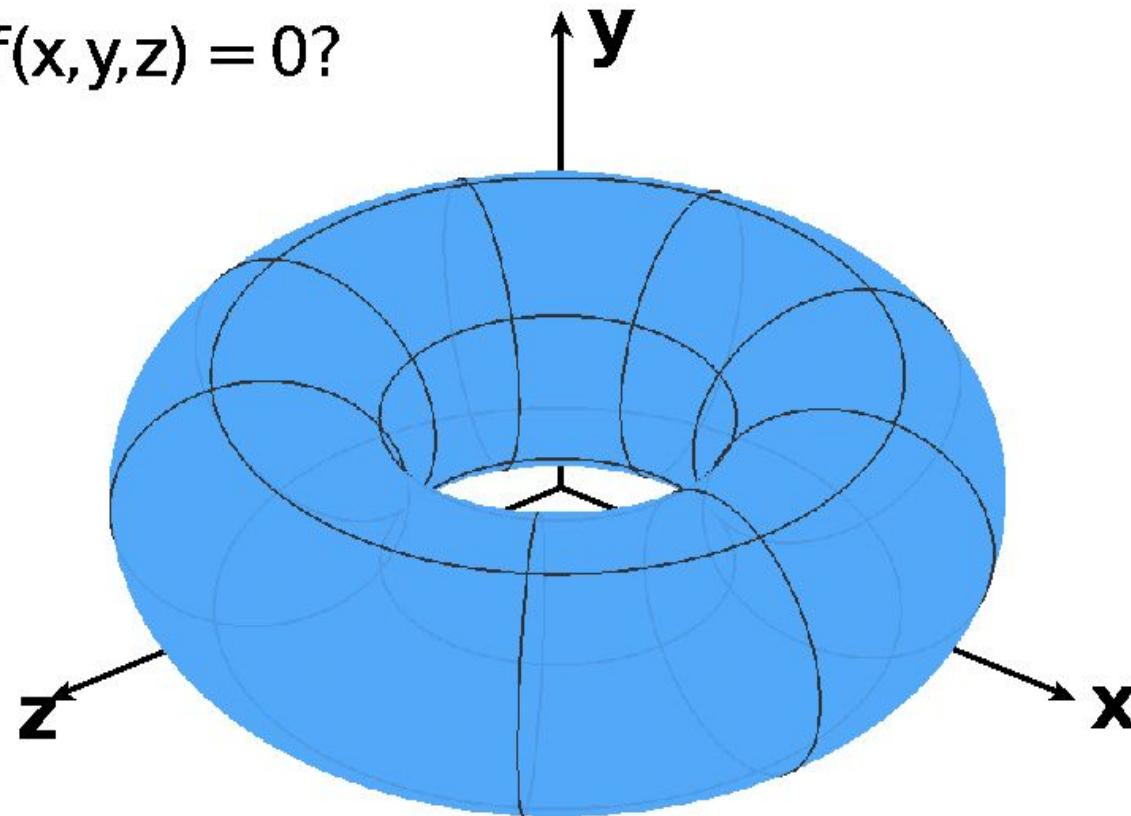
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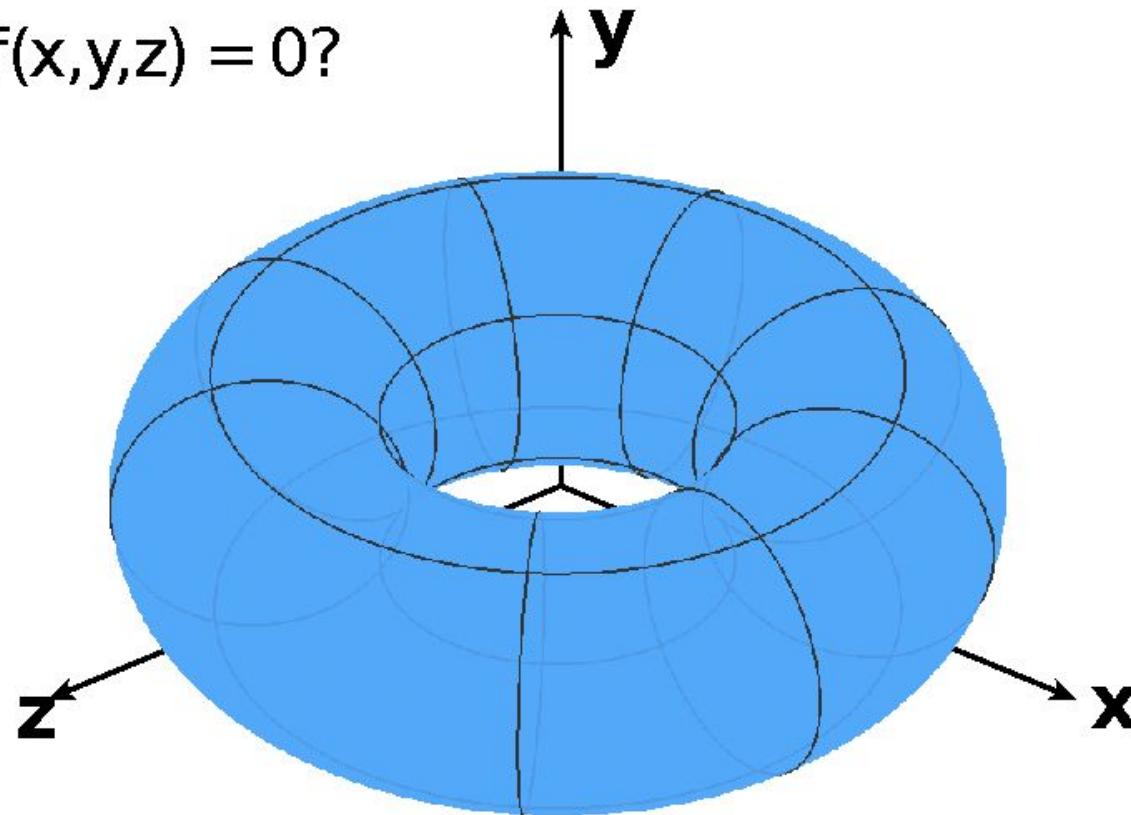
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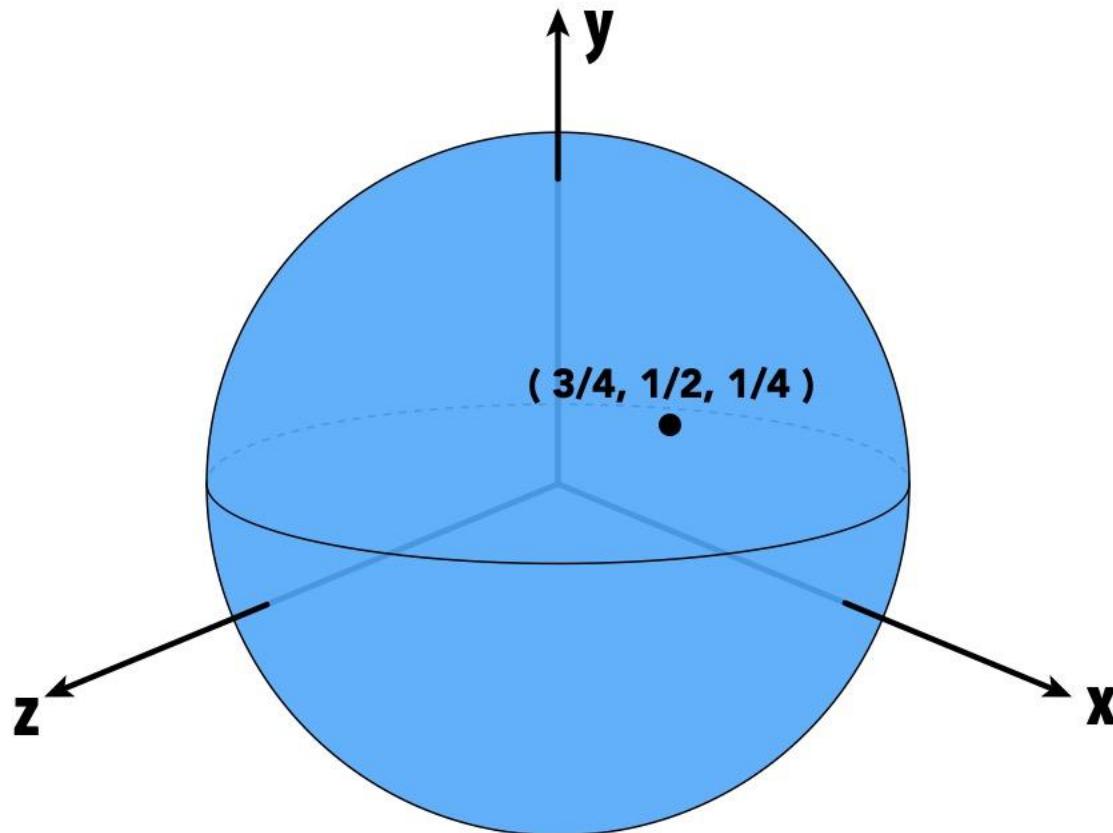
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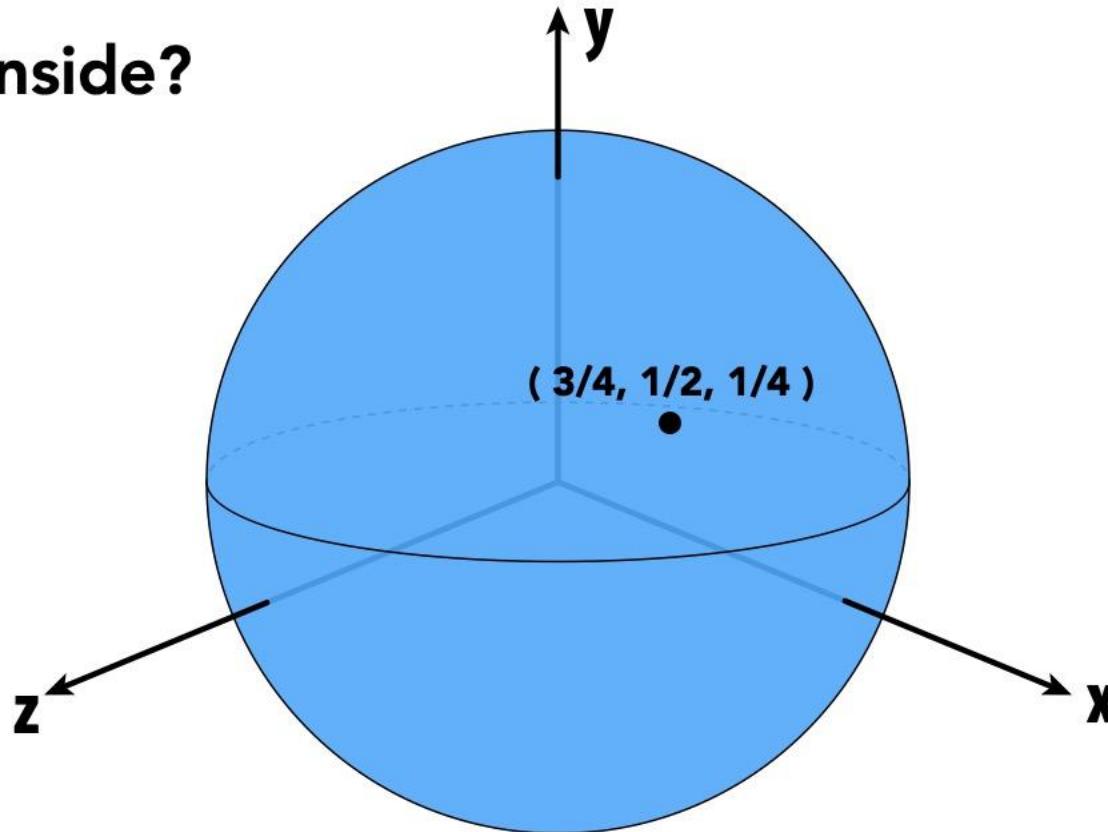
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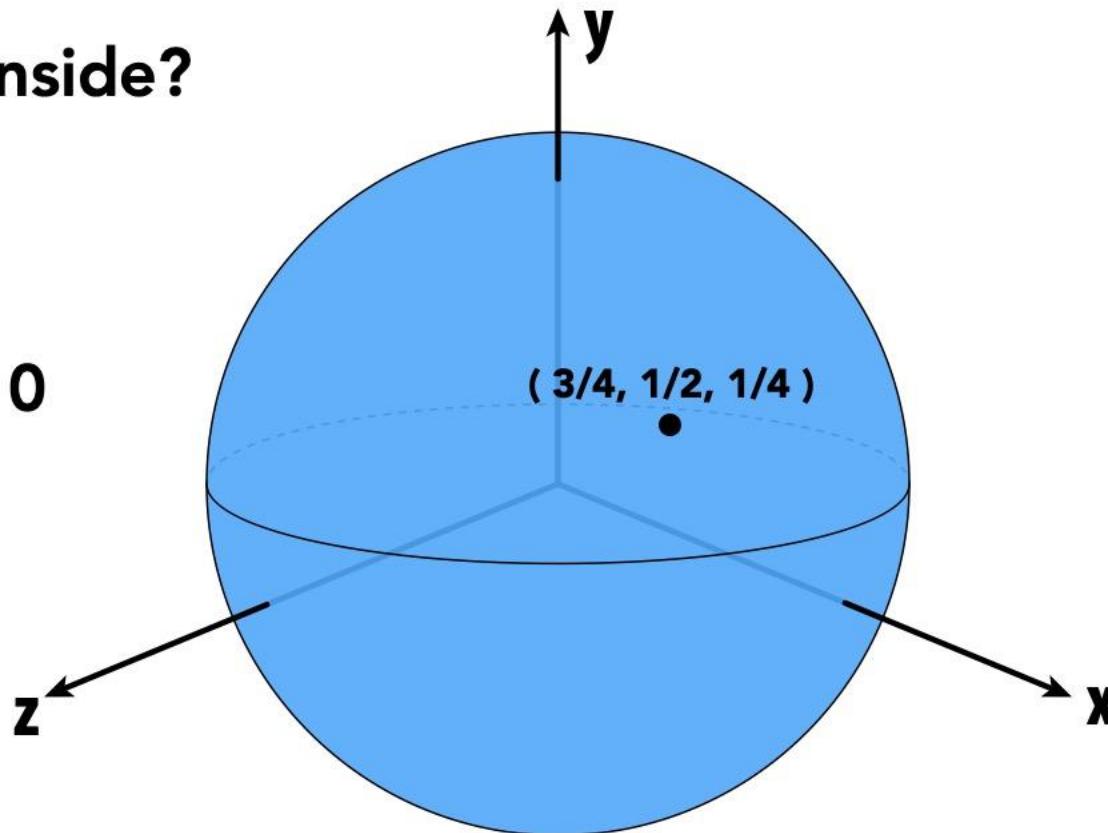
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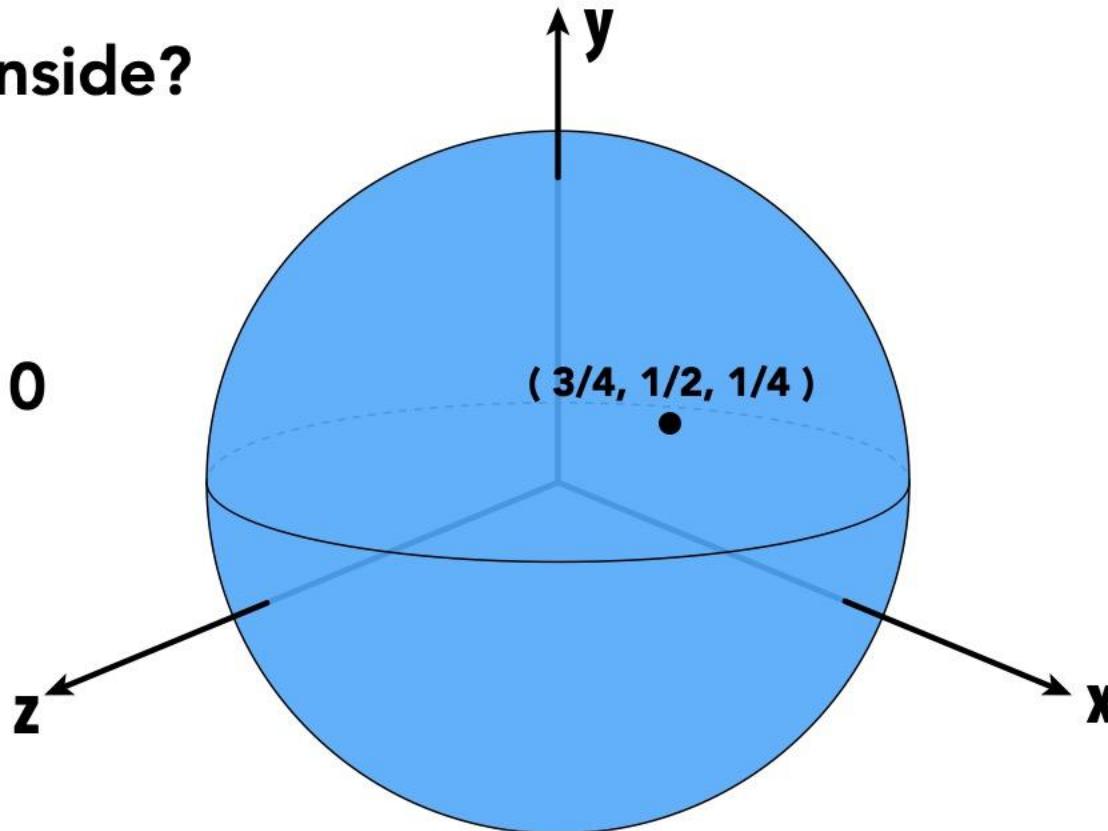
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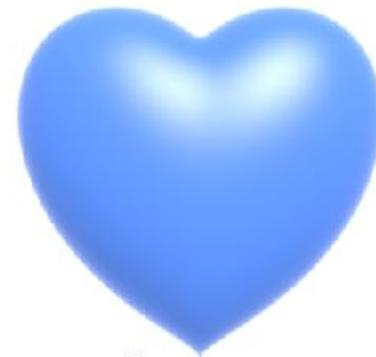
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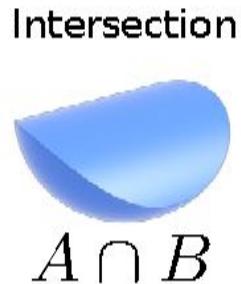
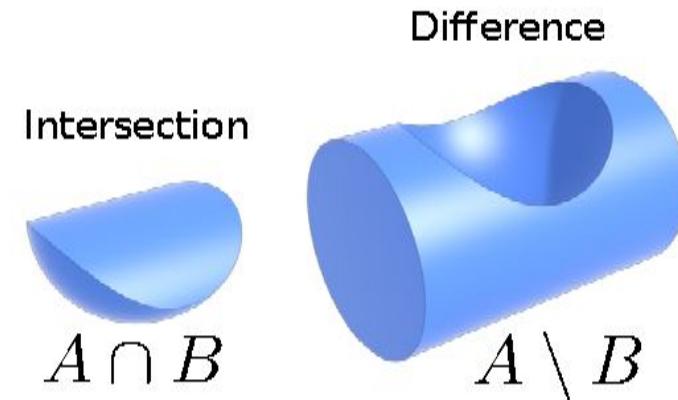
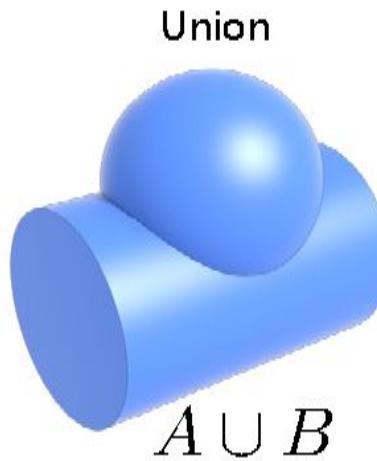
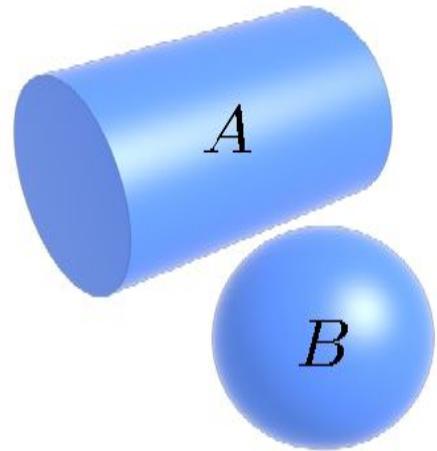
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More complex shapes?

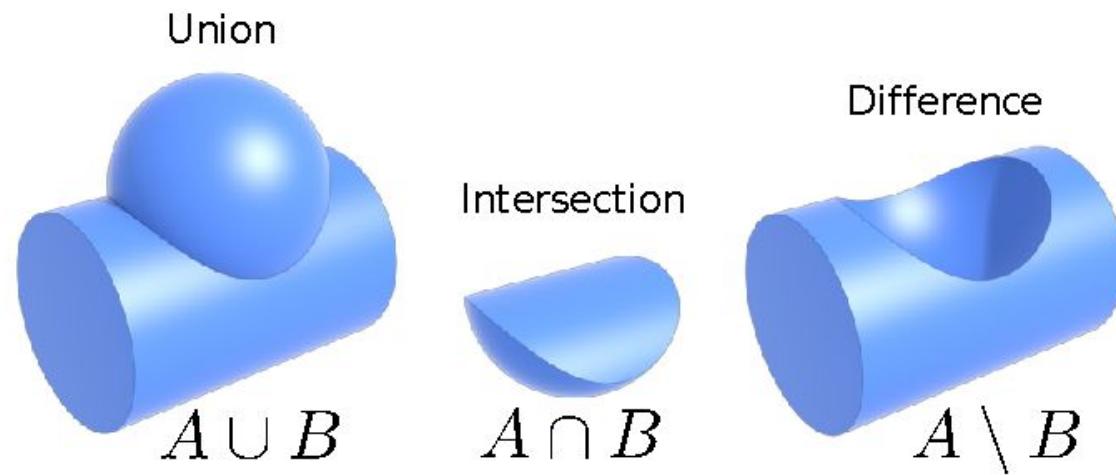
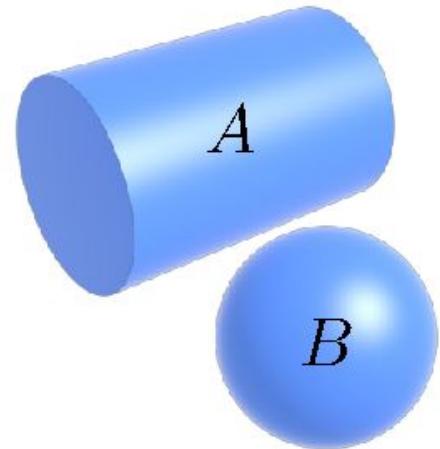
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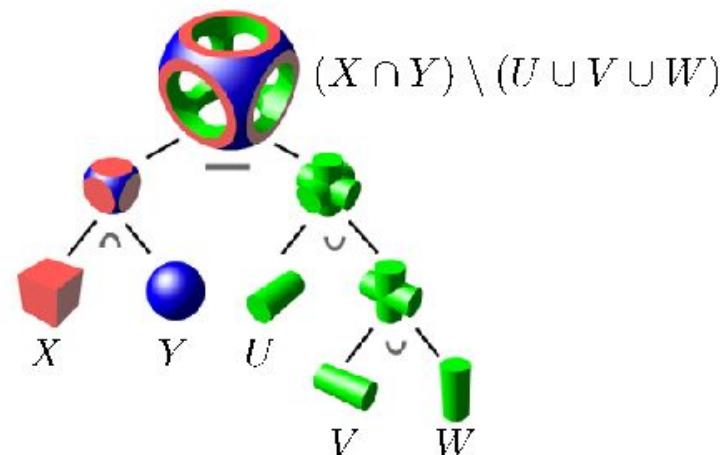


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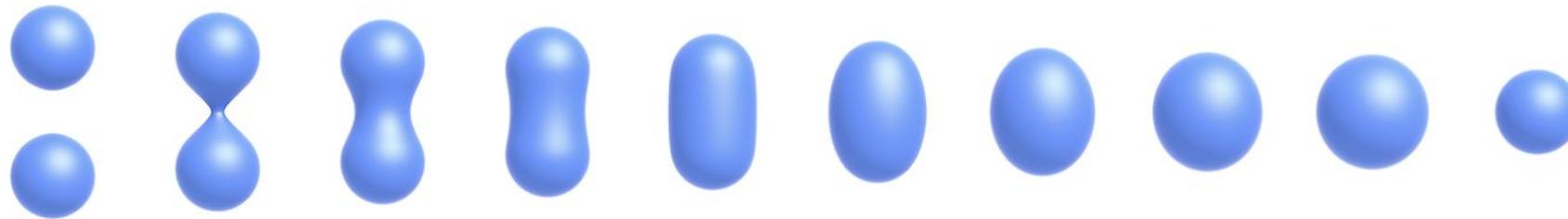


Distance Functions (Implicit)

Instead of Booleans, gradually blend surfaces together using

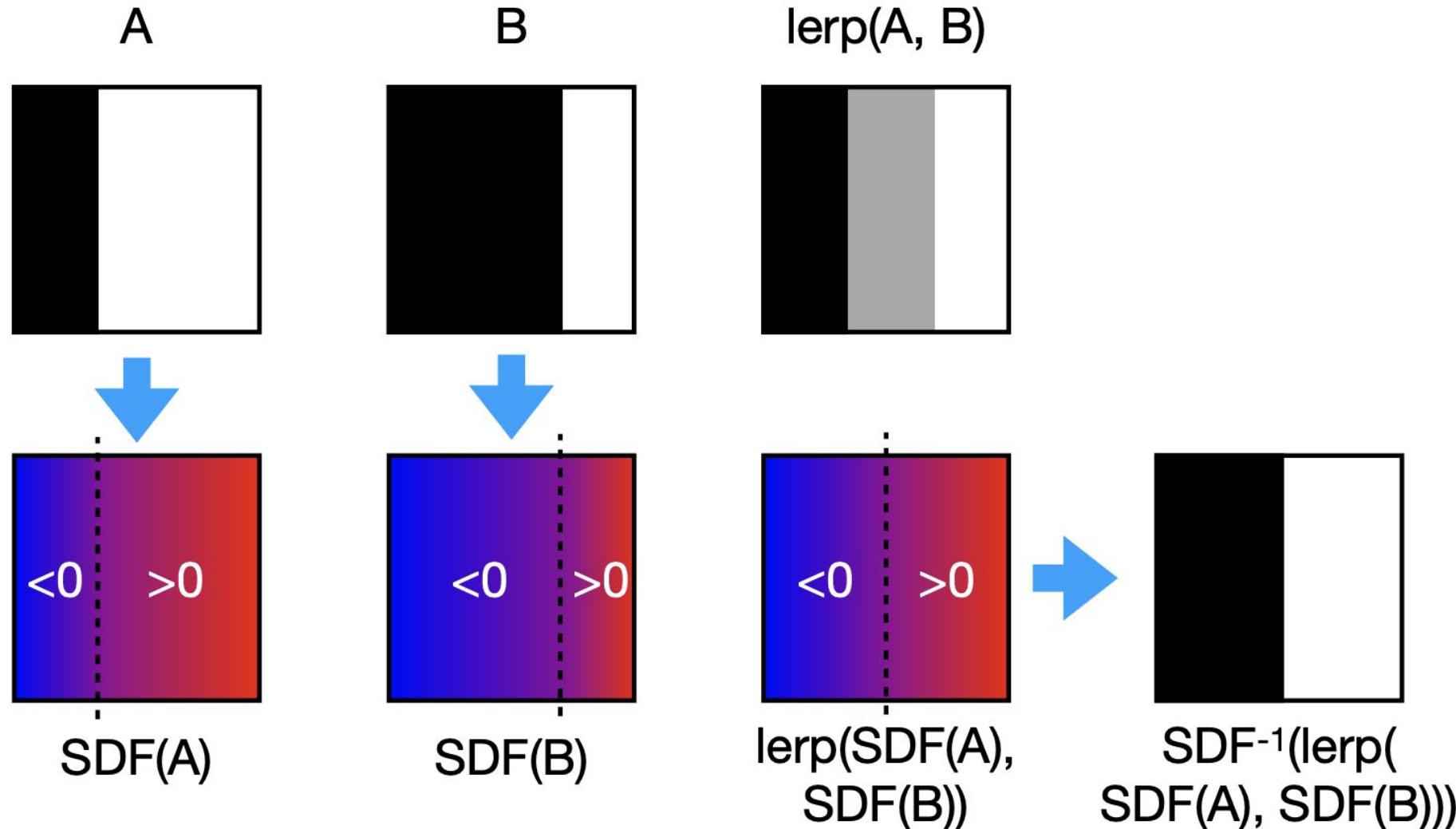
Distance functions:

giving minimum distance (could be **signed** distance)
from anywhere to object



Distance Functions (Implicit)

An Example: Blending (linear interp.) a moving boundary

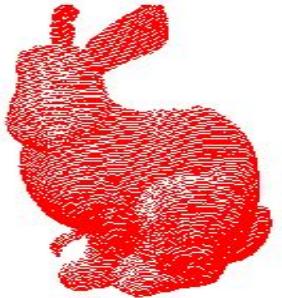
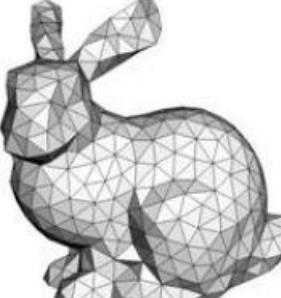
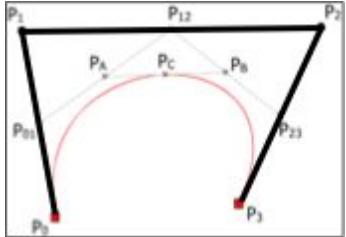
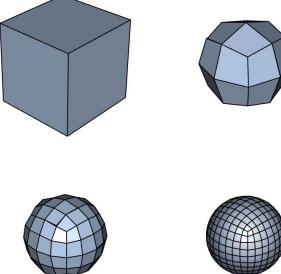
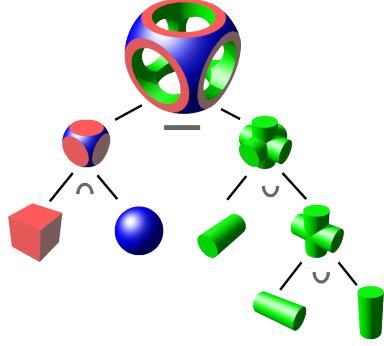


Scene of Pure Distance Functions (Not Easy!)



See <http://iquilezles.org/www/material/nvscene2008/nvscene2008.htm>

Shape Representations

	Explicit	Implicit
Non-parametric	 Points	 Meshes
Parametric	 Splines	 $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 1$ Algebraic Surfaces
	 Subdivision Surfaces	 Constructive Solid Geometry

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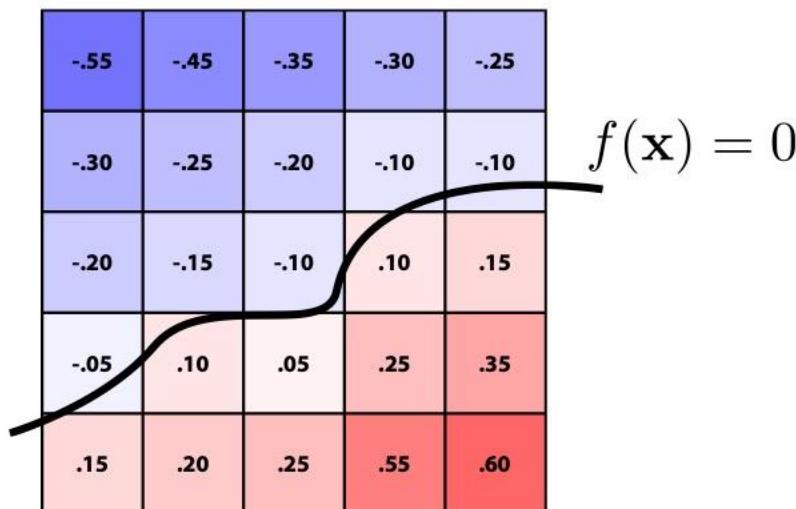
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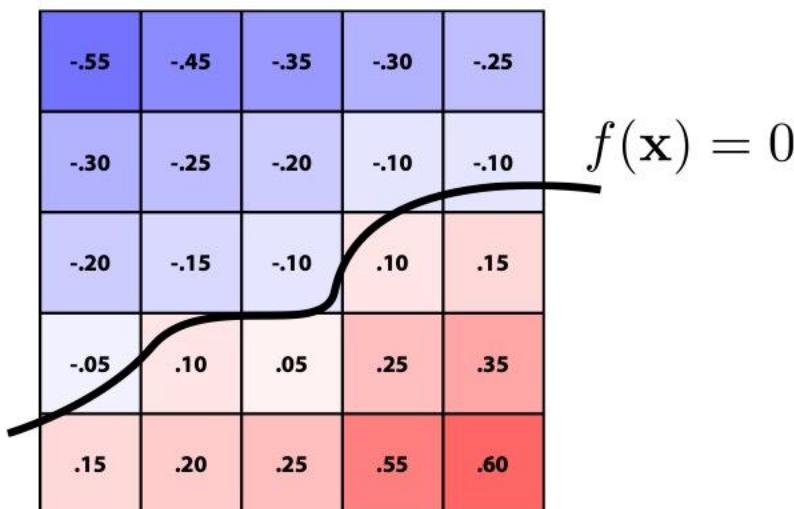


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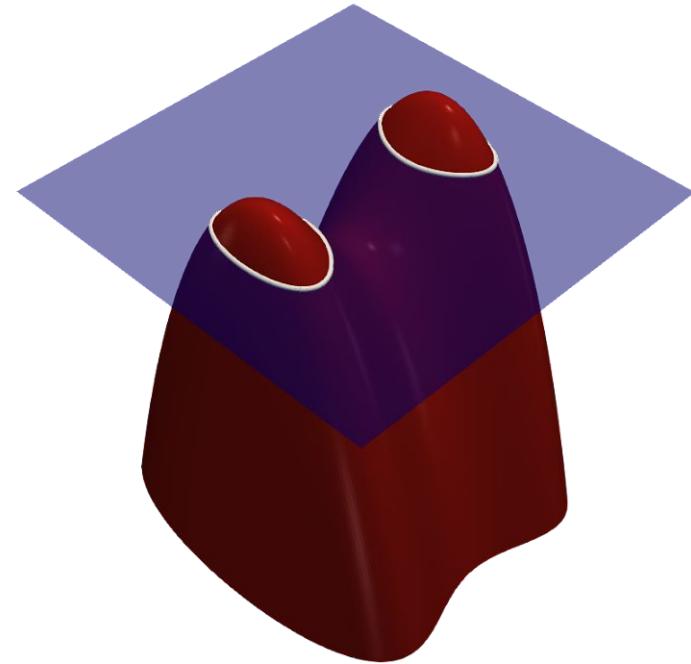
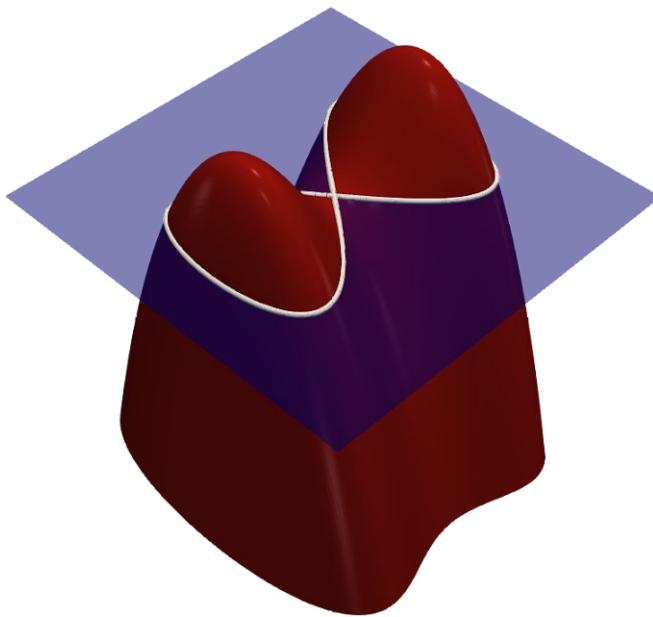
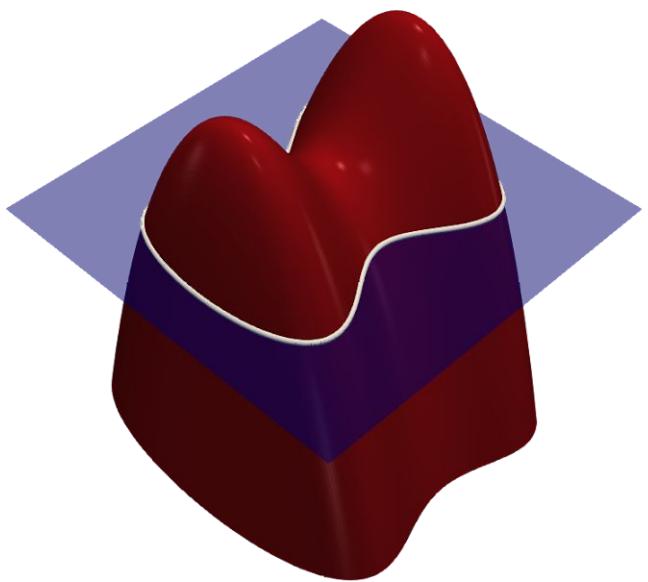
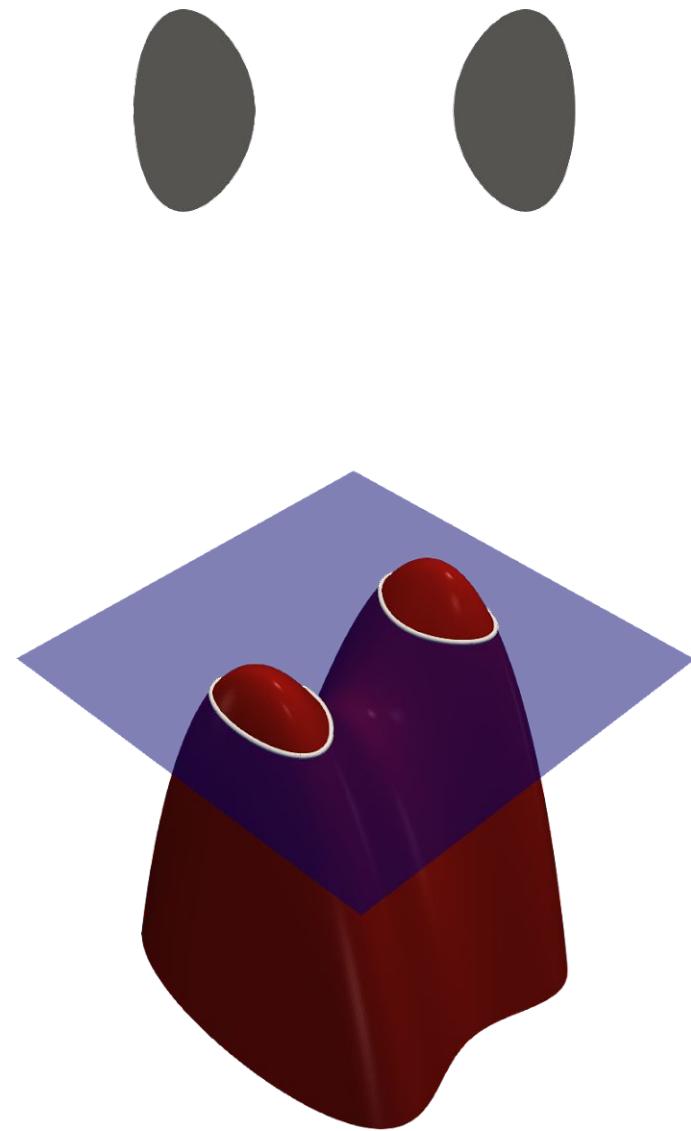
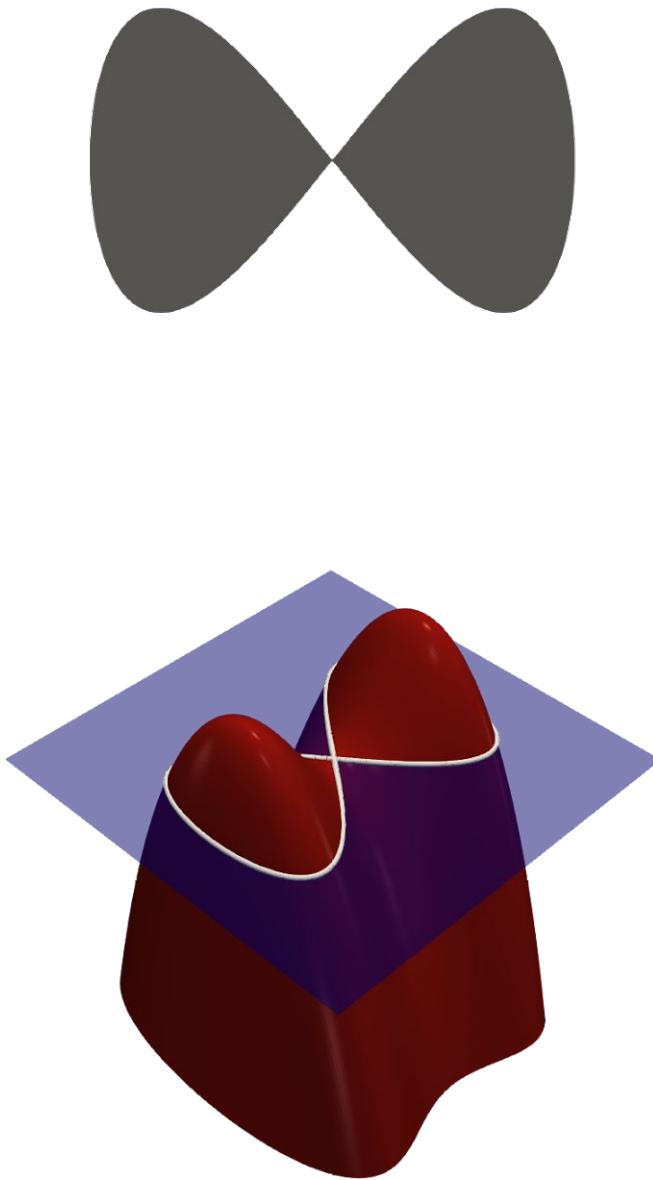
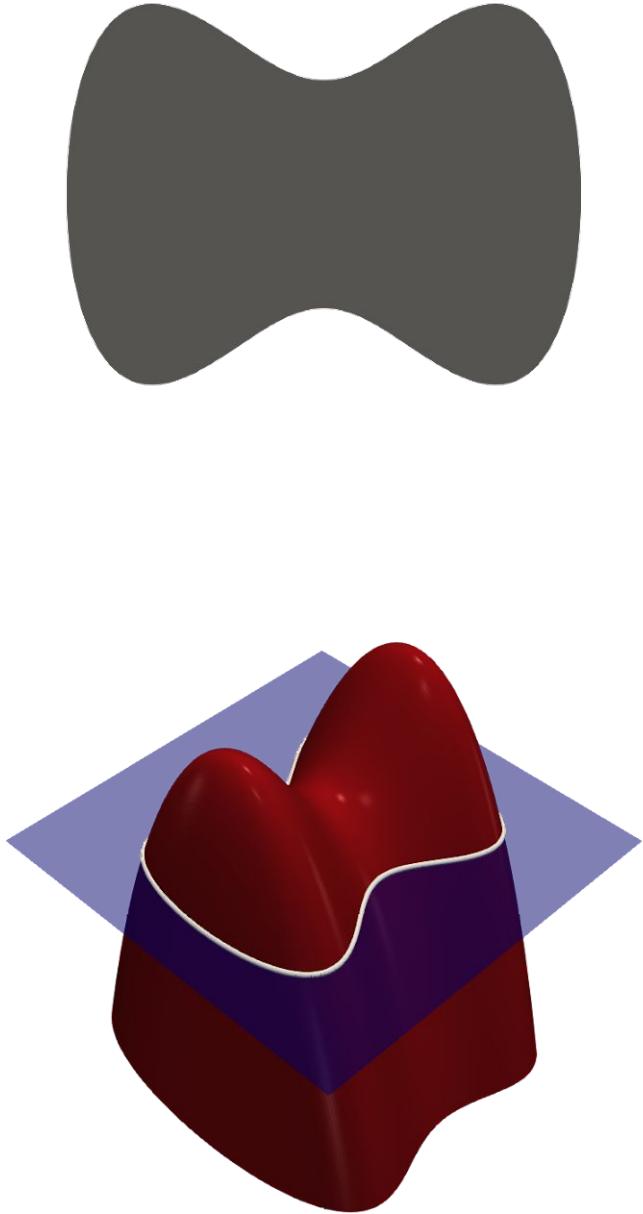
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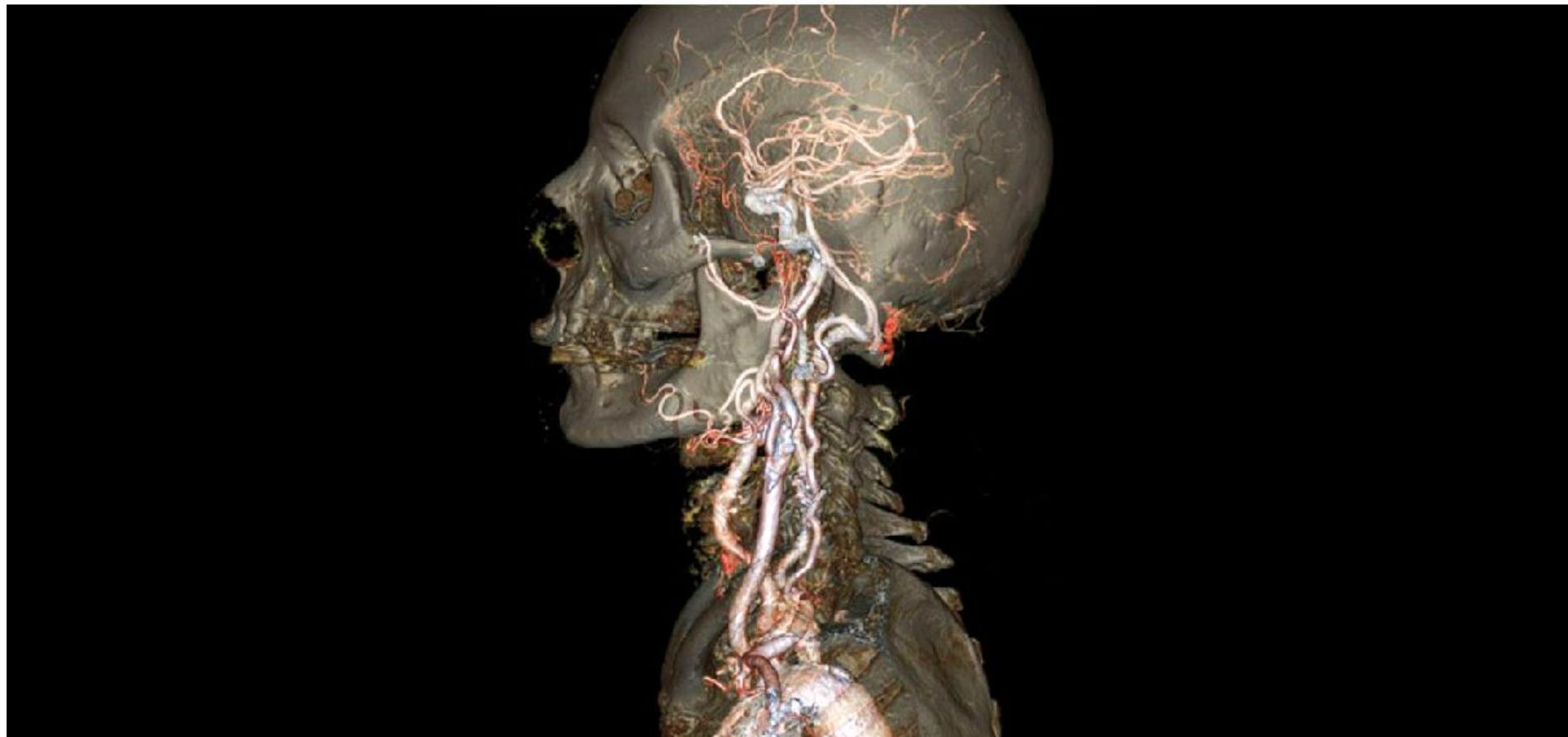
Surface is found where interpolated values equal zero

Provides much more explicit control over shape (like a texture)



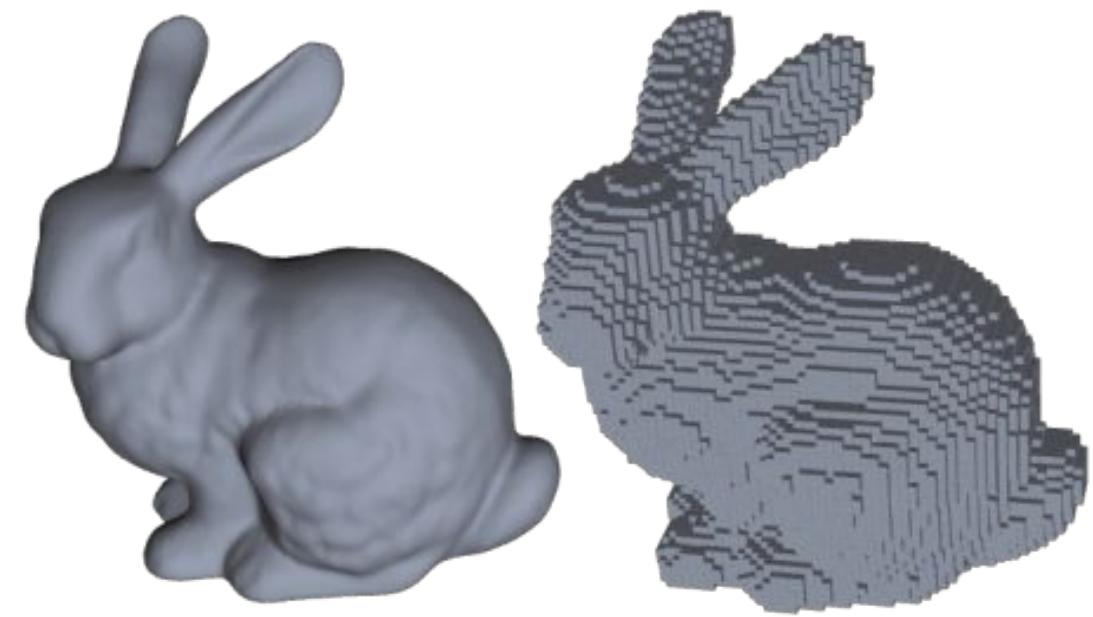
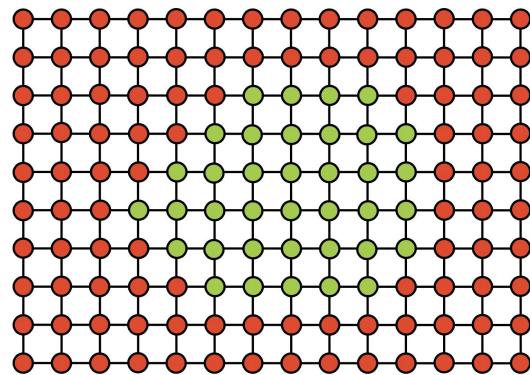
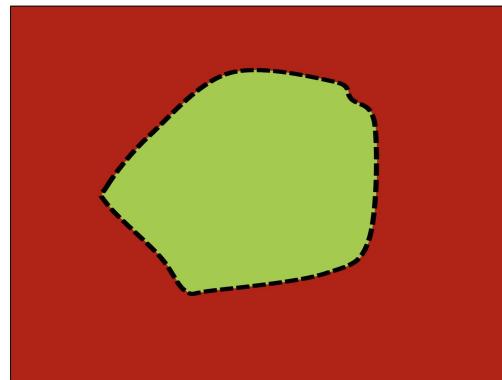
Level Sets from Medical Data (CT, MRI, etc.)

Level sets encode, e.g., constant tissue density



Related Representation: Voxels

- Binary thresholding the volumetric grid



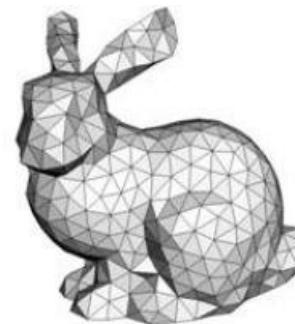
Shape Representations

Non-parametric

Explicit



Points

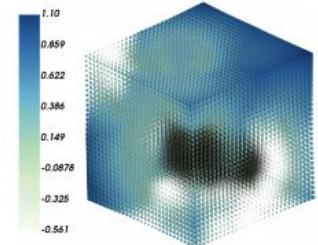


Meshes

Implicit (Eulerian)

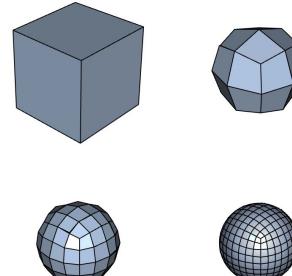
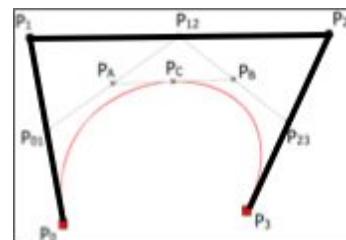


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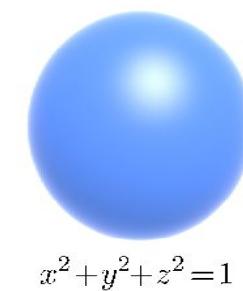
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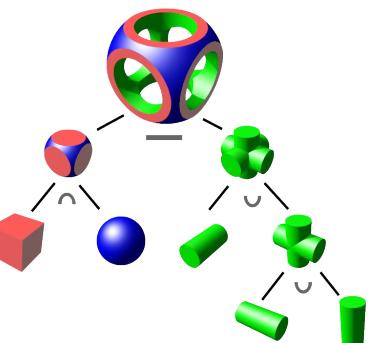


Splines

Subdivision
Surfaces



Algebraic
Surfaces



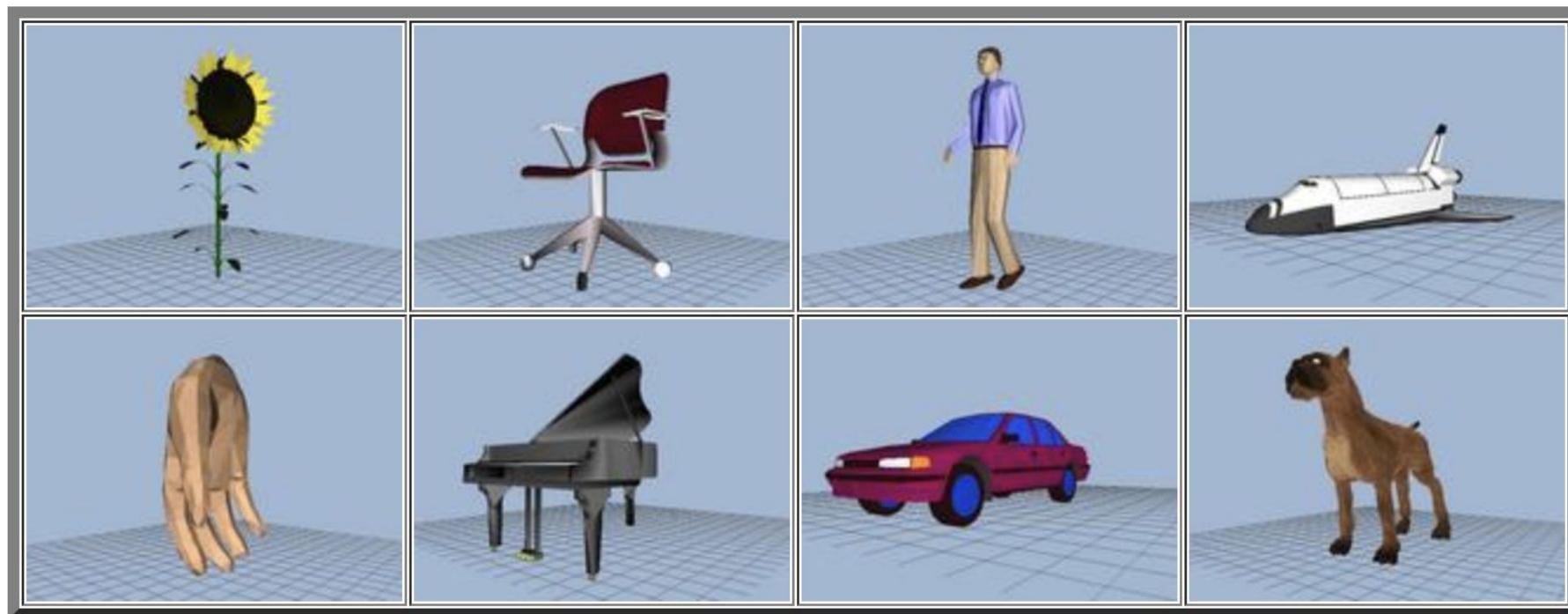
Constructive
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AI + Shapes

- In 3D ...

Princeton Shape Benchmark

- 1814 Models
- 182 Categories



Datasets Prior to 2014

Benchmarks	Types	# models	# classes	Avg # models per class
SHREC14LSGTB	Generic	8,987	171	53
PSB	Generic	907+907 (train+test)	90+92 (train+test)	10+10 (train+test)
SHREC12GTB	Generic	1200	60	20
TSB	Generic	10,000	352	28
CCCC	Generic	473	55	9
WMB	Watertight (articulated)	400	20	20
MSB	Articulated	457	19	24
BAB	Architecture	2257	183+180 (function+form)	12+13 (function+form)
ESB	CAD	867	45	19

Table 1. Source datasets from SHREC 2014: *Princeton Shape Benchmark (PSB)* [27], *SHREC 2012 generic Shape Benchmark (SHREC12GTB)* [16], *Toyohashi Shape Benchmark (TSB)* [29], *Konstanz 3D Model Benchmark (CCCC)* [32], *Watertight Model Benchmark (WMB)* [31], *McGill 3D Shape Benchmark (MSB)* [37], *Bonn Architecture Benchmark (BAB)* [33], *Purdue Engineering Shape Benchmark (ESB)* [9].

Datasets for 3D Objects

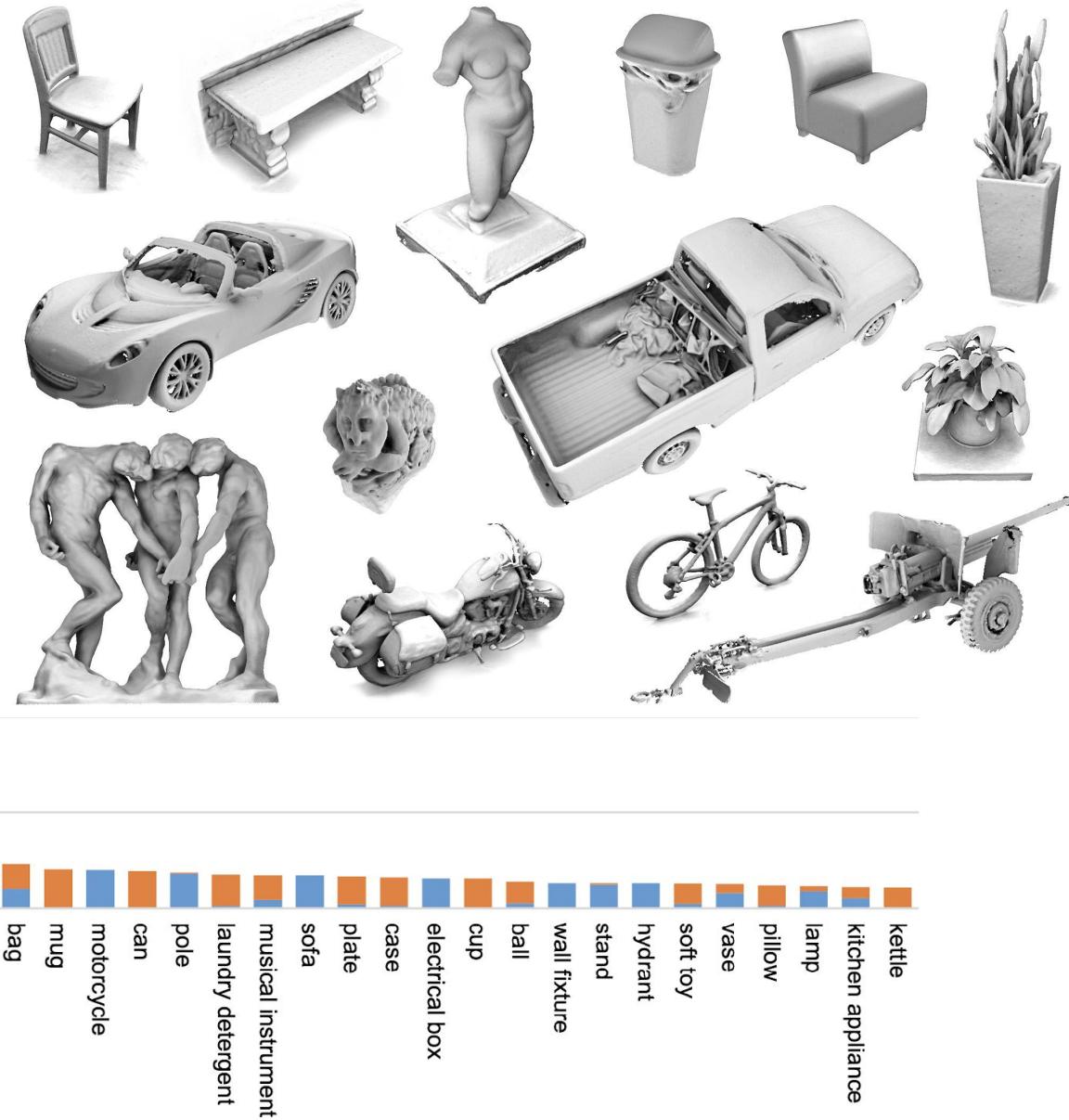
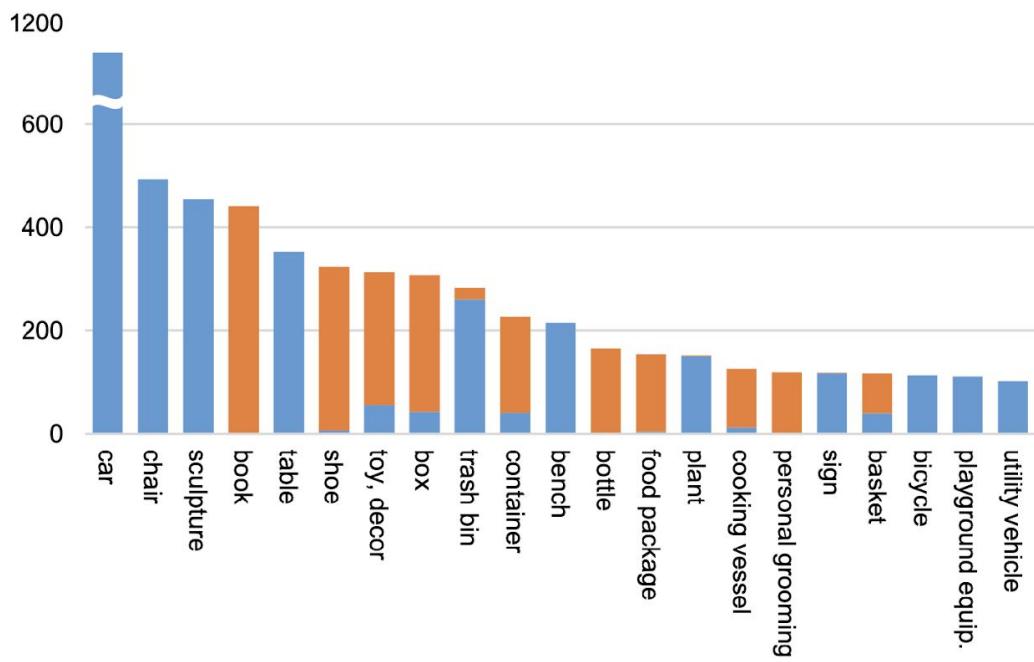
- Large-scale Synthetic Objects: ShapeNet, 3M models
- ModelNet: absorbed by ShapeNet
- ShapeNetCore: 51.3K models in 55 categories



Chang et al. ShapeNet. arXiv 2015
Wu et al. 3D ShapeNets. CVPR 2015

Object Scan

- 10,933 RGBD scans
 - 441 models



Pascal 3D+

- Retrieve a nearest-neighbor 3D model for objects in real images
- 8,505 PASCAL images (13,898 instances) + 22,394 ImageNet images
- 12 rigid categories, 3,000+ instances per category on average



Pix3D

- 10,069 images
- 395 shapes (IKEA furniture + 3D scan)



Link to WordNet Taxonomy Alignment+Symmetry



Part Hierarchy Part Correspondences

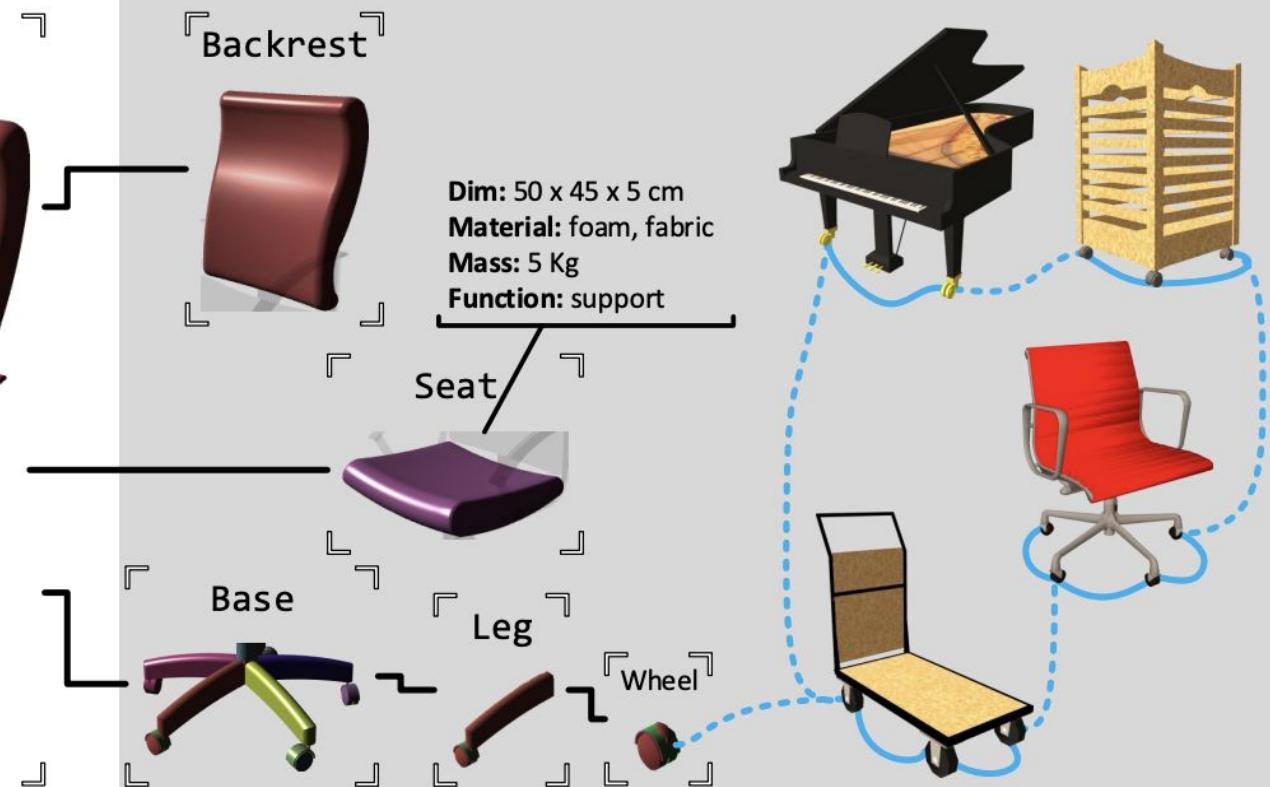
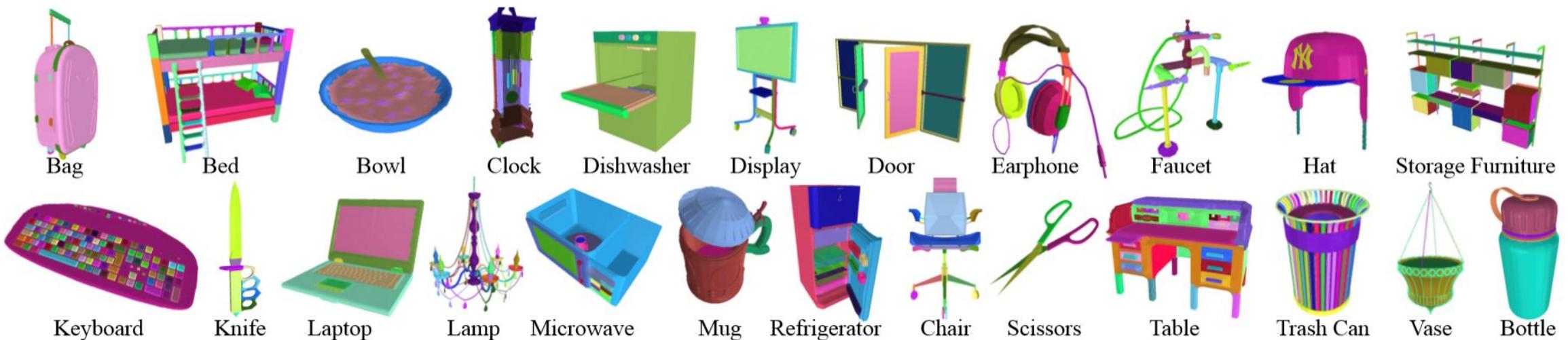


Figure from the ShapeNet paper, Chang et al. arXiv 2015

Datasets for 3D Object Parts

Fine-grained Parts: PartNet

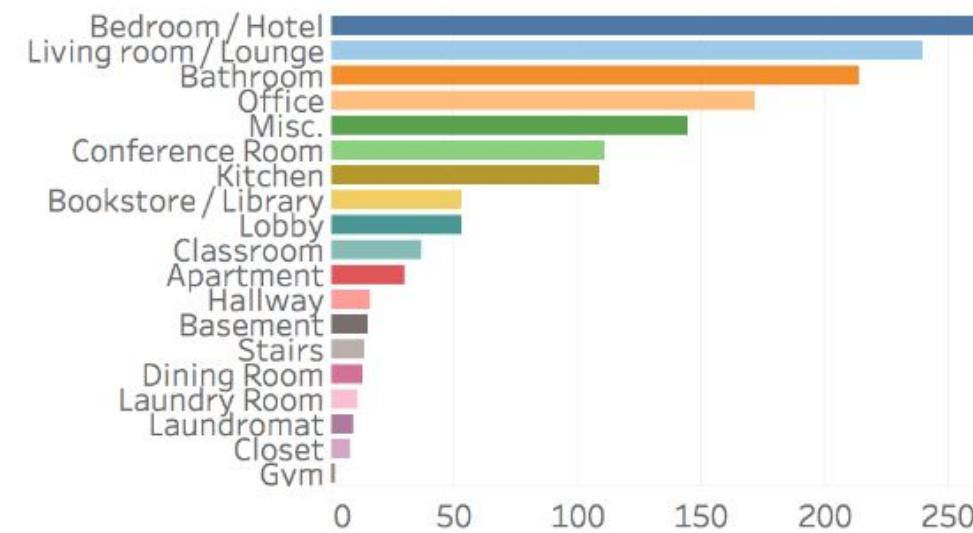
- Fine-grained (+mobility)
- Instance-level
- Hierarchical



Datasets for Indoor 3D Scenes

Large-scale Scanned Real Scenes: ScanNet

- 2.5M Views in 1,500 RGBD scans
- 3D camera poses
- Surface reconstructions
- Instance-level semantic segmentations



Physical Interaction with Articulated Objects

**300+ door
annotations**

**support
articulated
objects**

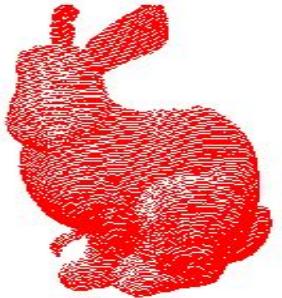
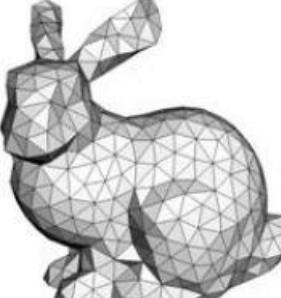
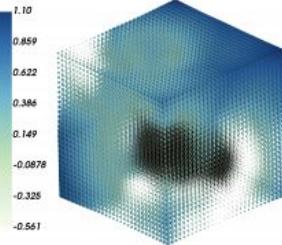
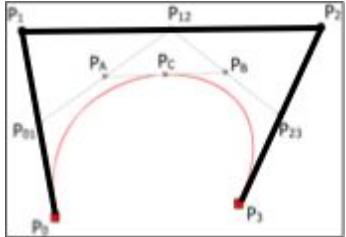
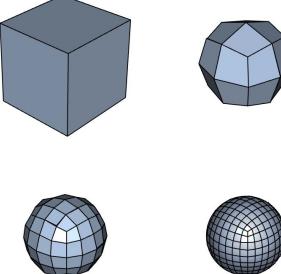
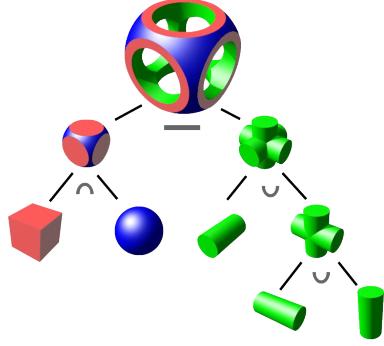
(cabinets, doors, fridge,
oven, window etc.)



AI + Geometry

- $P(S)$ or $P(S|c)$ --- Generative models
 - Learning (conditional) shape priors
 - Shape generation, completion, & geometry data processing
- $P(c|S)$ --- Discriminative models
 - Learning shape descriptors
 - Shape classification, segmentation, view estimation, etc.
- Joint modeling of 3D and 2D data
 - Large-scale 2D datasets & very good pretrained models
 - Differentiable projection/back-projection & differentiable/neural rendering

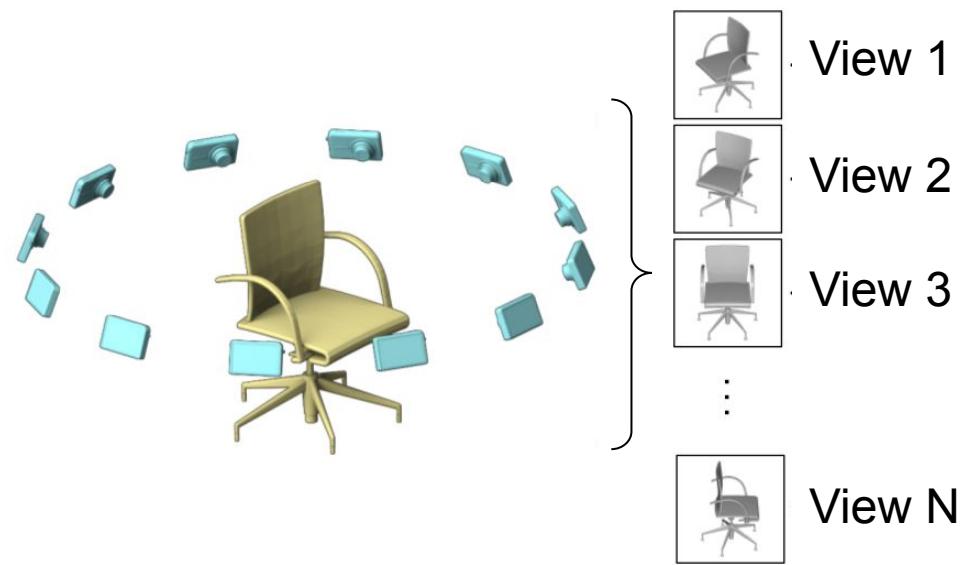
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	Points	Meshes	Voxels	Level Sets
	Splines	Subdivision Surfaces	Algebraic Surfaces	Constructive Solid Geometry

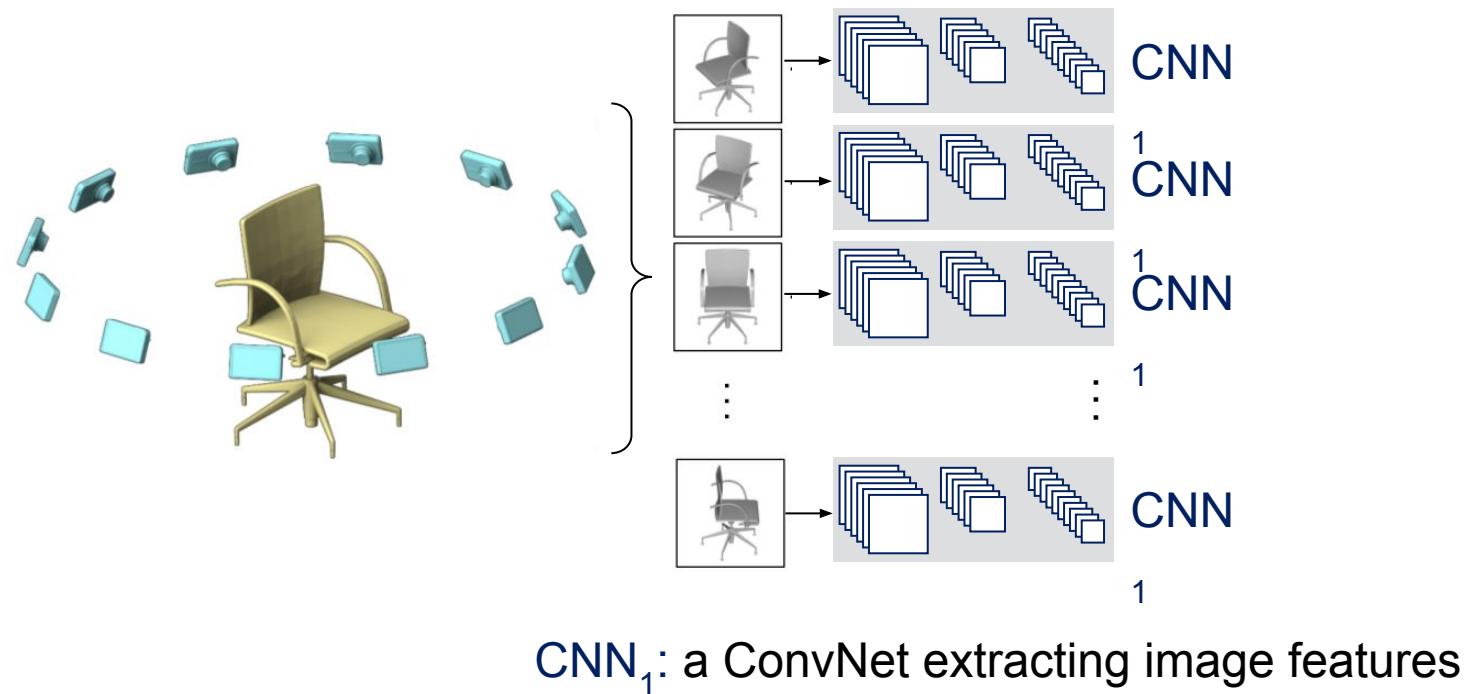
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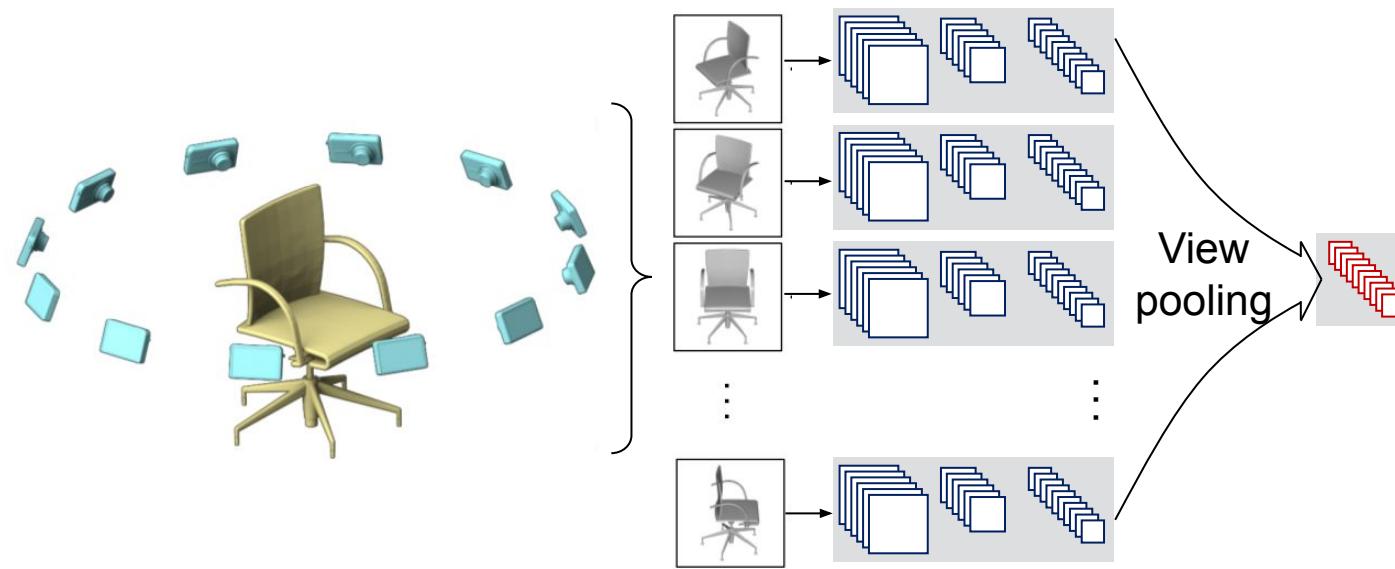
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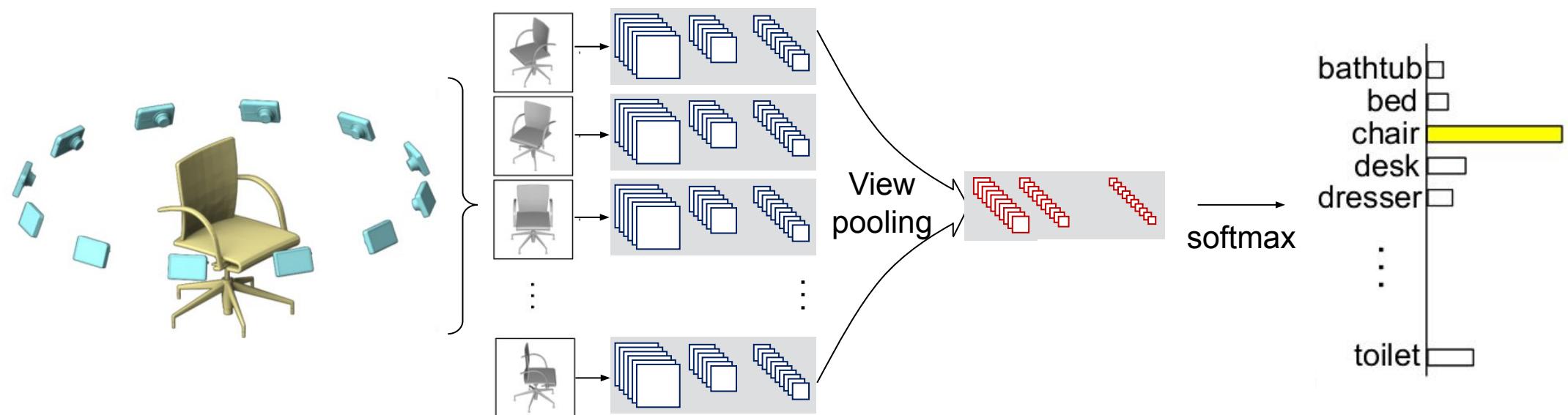


Multi-View CNN



View pooling: element-wise
max-pooling across all views

Multi-View CNN



CNN_2 : a second ConvNet
producing shape descriptors

Experiments – Classification & Retrieval

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Method	Classification	Retrieval
	(Accuracy)	(mAP)
SPH	68.2%	33.3%
LFD	75.5%	40.9%
3D ShapeNets	77.3%	49.2%
FV, 12 views	84.8%	43.9%
CNN, 12 views	88.6%	62.8%
MVCNN, 12 views	89.9%	70.1%
MVCNN+metric, 12 views	89.5%	80.2%
MVCNN, 80 views	90.1%	70.4%
MVCNN+metric, 80 views	90.1%	79.5%

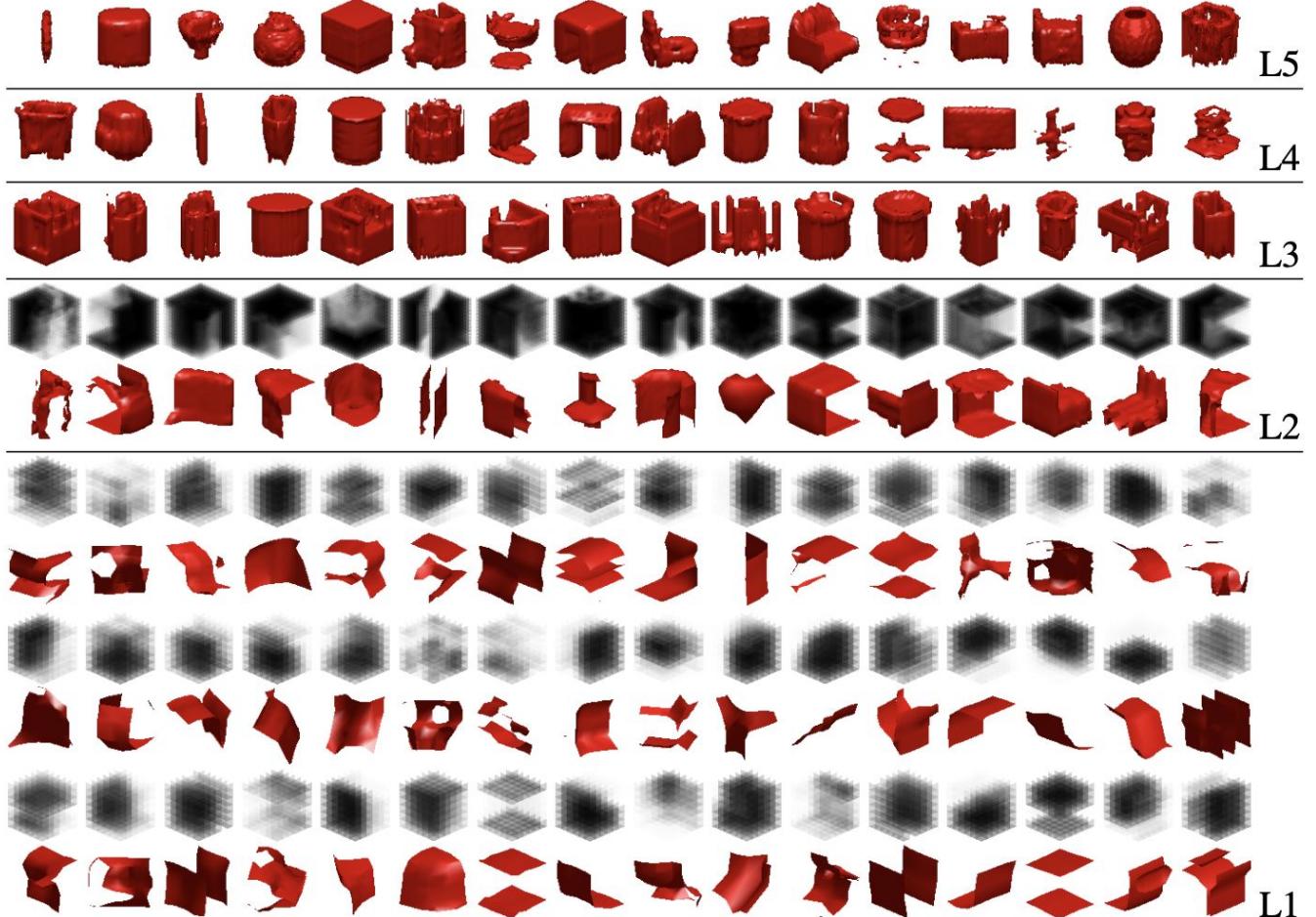
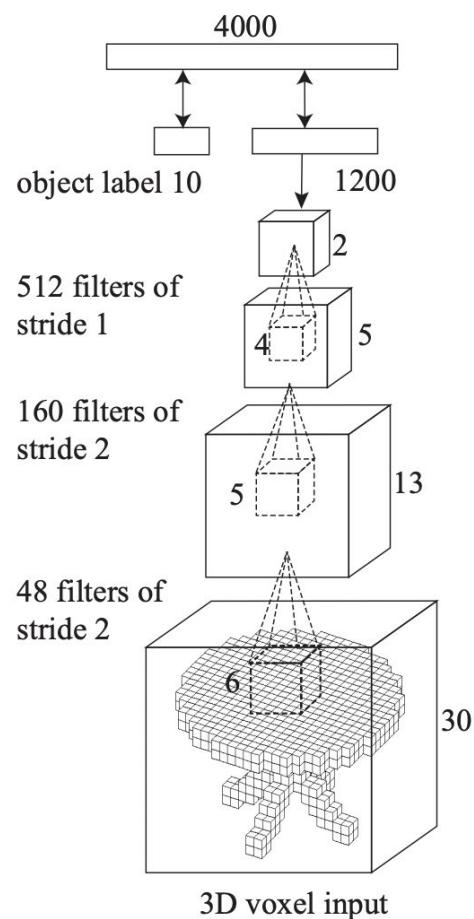
On ModelNet

Multi-View Representations

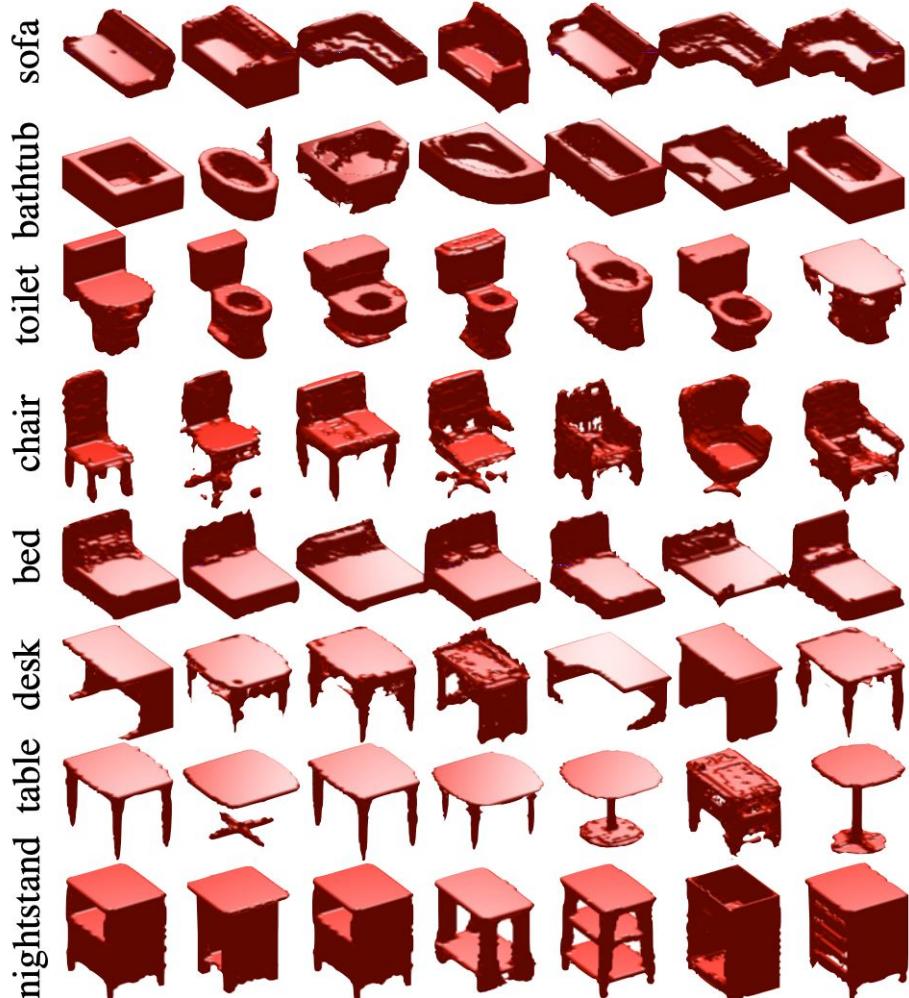
- Indeed gives good performance
- Can leverage vast literature of image classification
- Can use pertained features
- Need projection
- What if the input is noisy and/or incomplete? e.g., point cloud

Pixels -> Voxels

- 3D Conv Deep Belief Networks (CDBN)



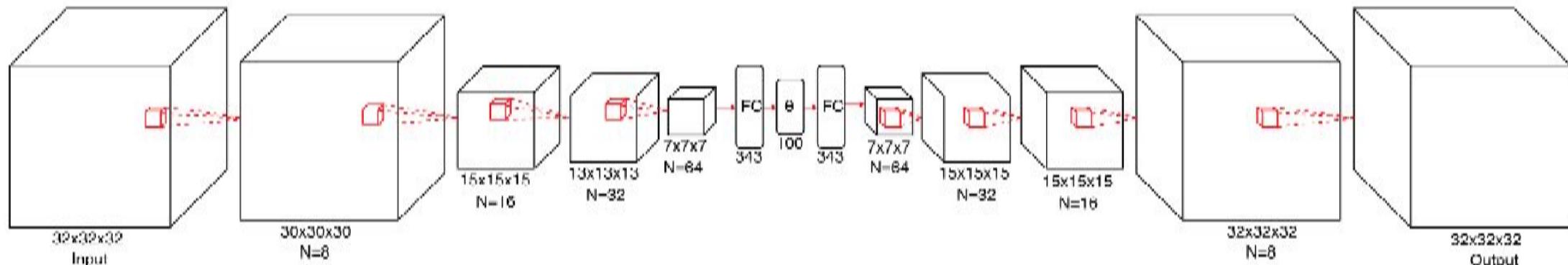
Generative Modeling



	10 classes	SPH [18]	LFD [8]	Ours
classification	79.79 %	79.87 %	83.54%	
retrieval AUC	45.97%	51.70%	69.28%	
retrieval MAP	44.05%	49.82%	68.26%	
	40 classes	SPH [18]	LFD [8]	Ours
classification	68.23%	75.47%	77.32%	
retrieval AUC	34.47%	42.04%	49.94%	
retrieval MAP	33.26%	40.91%	49.23%	

Table 1: Shape Classification and Retrieval Results.

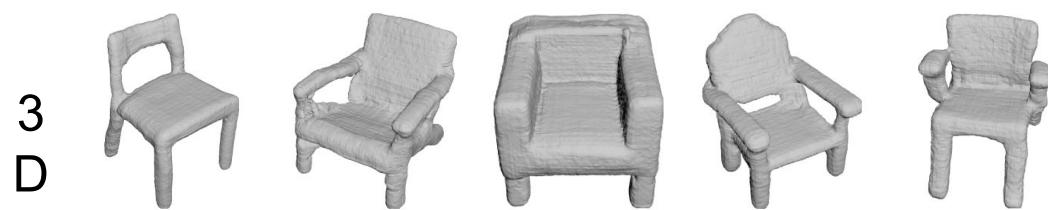
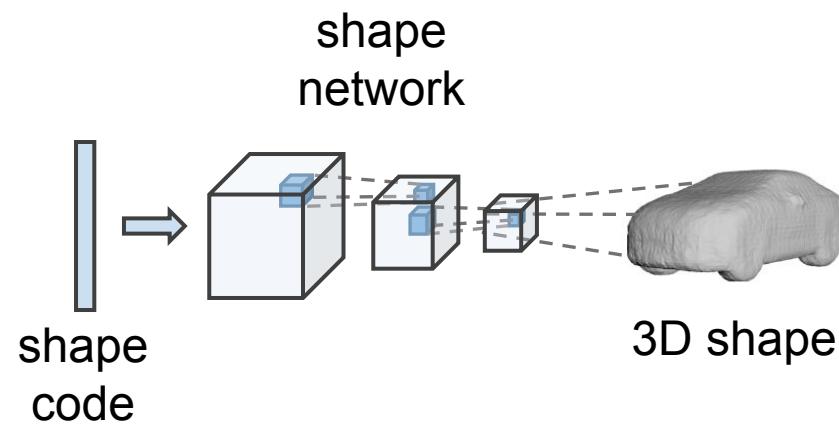
Volumetric Autoencoders



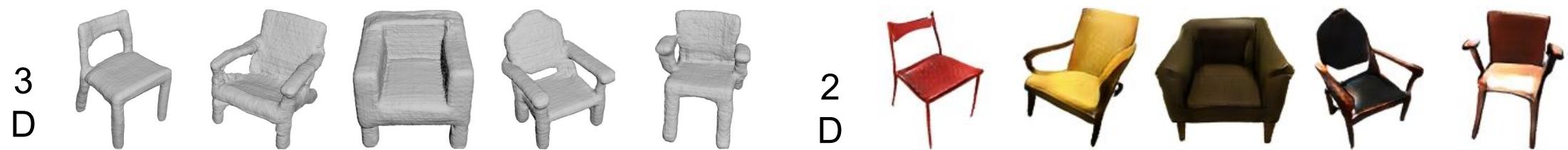
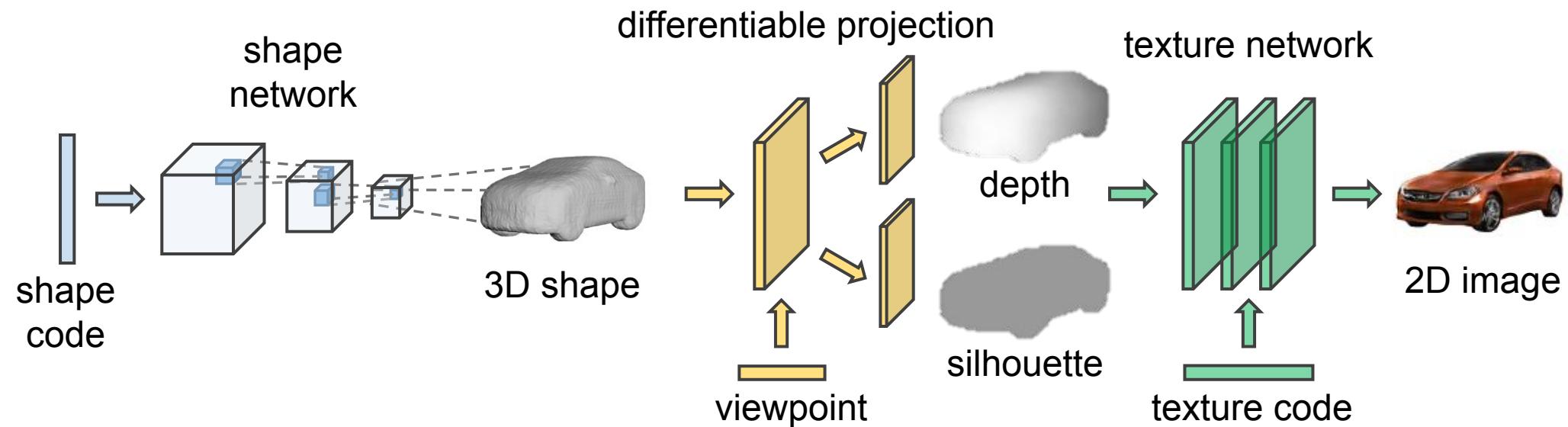
$$\text{Binary Cross-Entropy Loss: } \mathcal{L} = -l \log(o) - (1-l) \log(1-o)$$



3D-GANs



Visual Object Networks



Editing viewpoint, shape, and



Interpolation in the latent



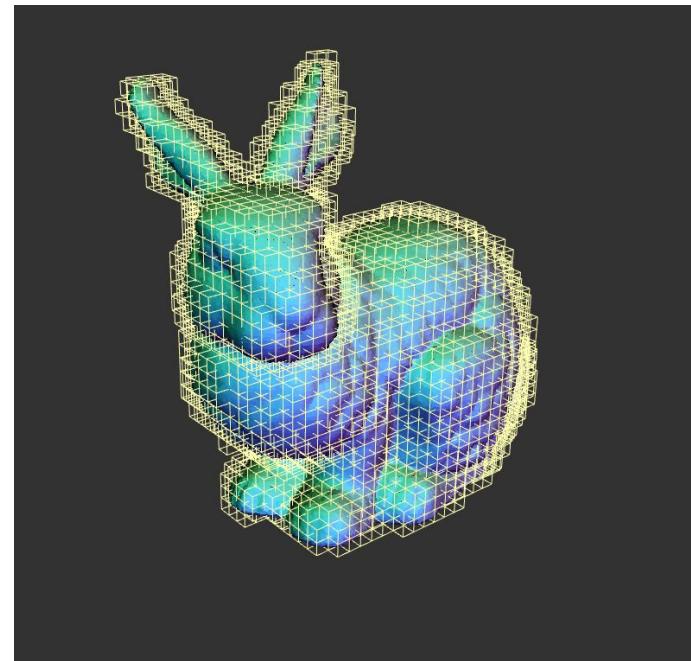
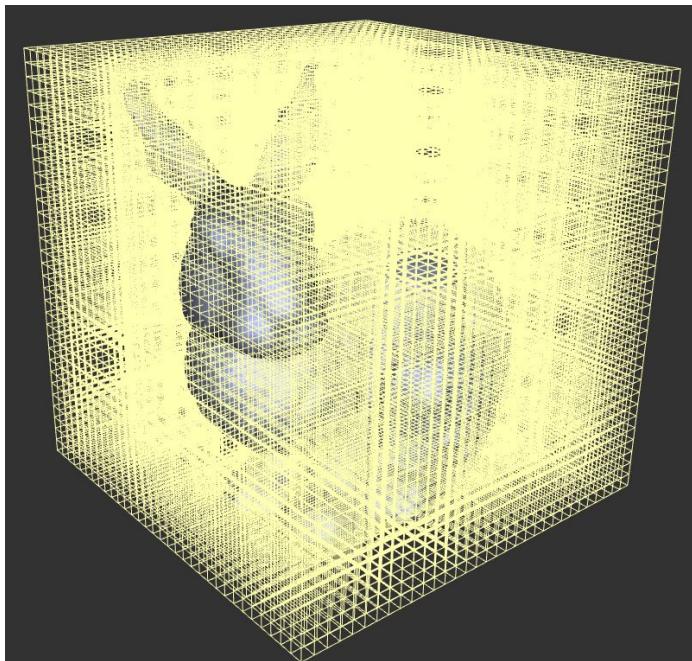
Transferring shape and
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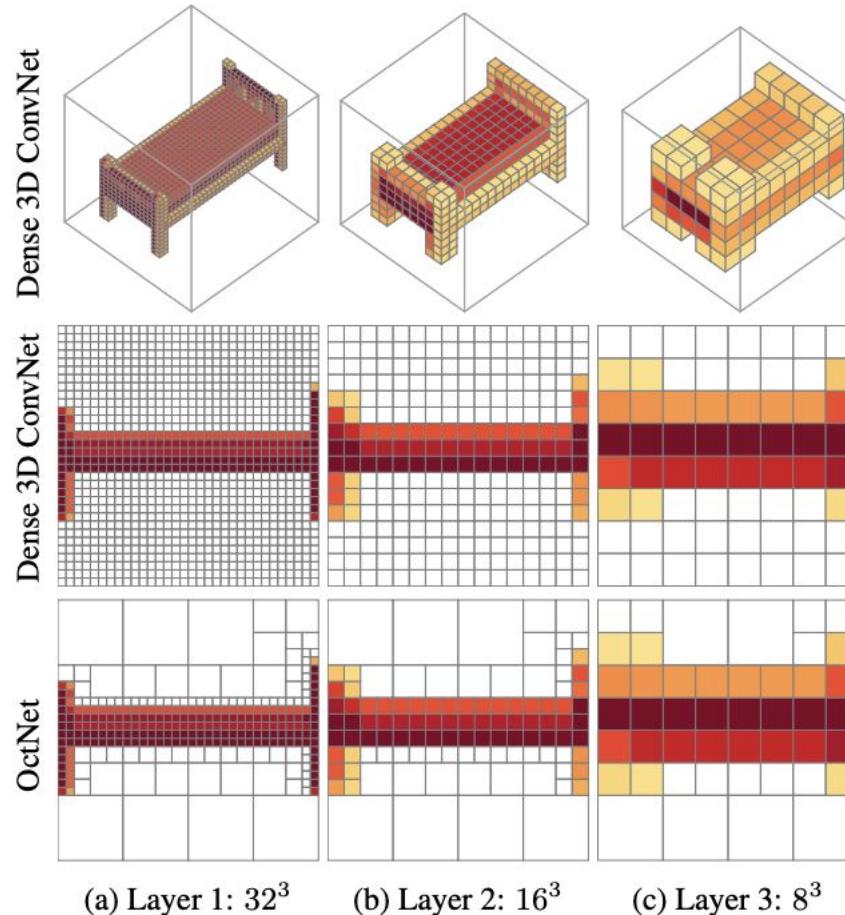
Octave Tree Representations

- Store the sparse surface signals
- Constrain the computation near the surface

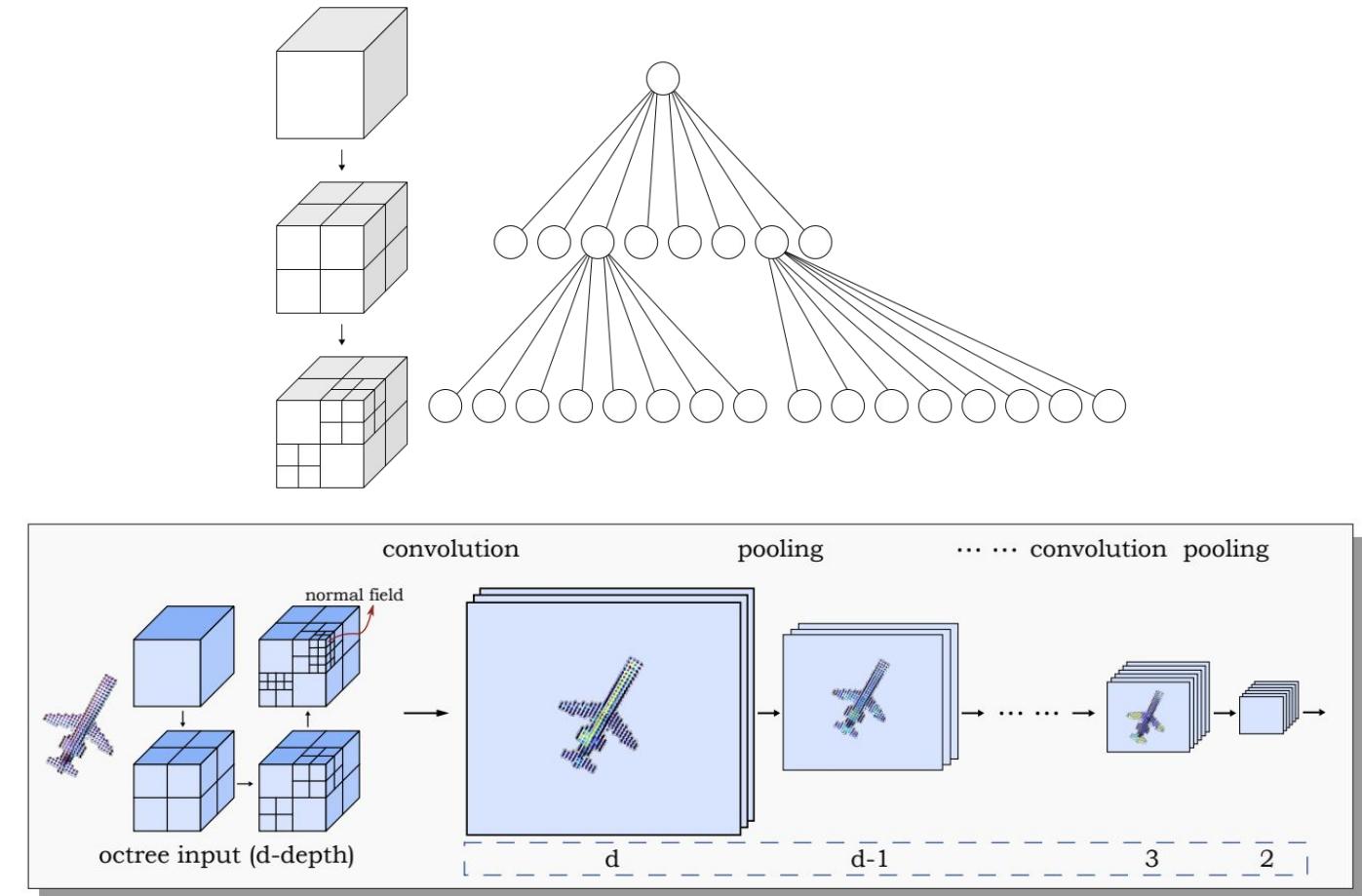


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Octree: Recursively Partition the Space

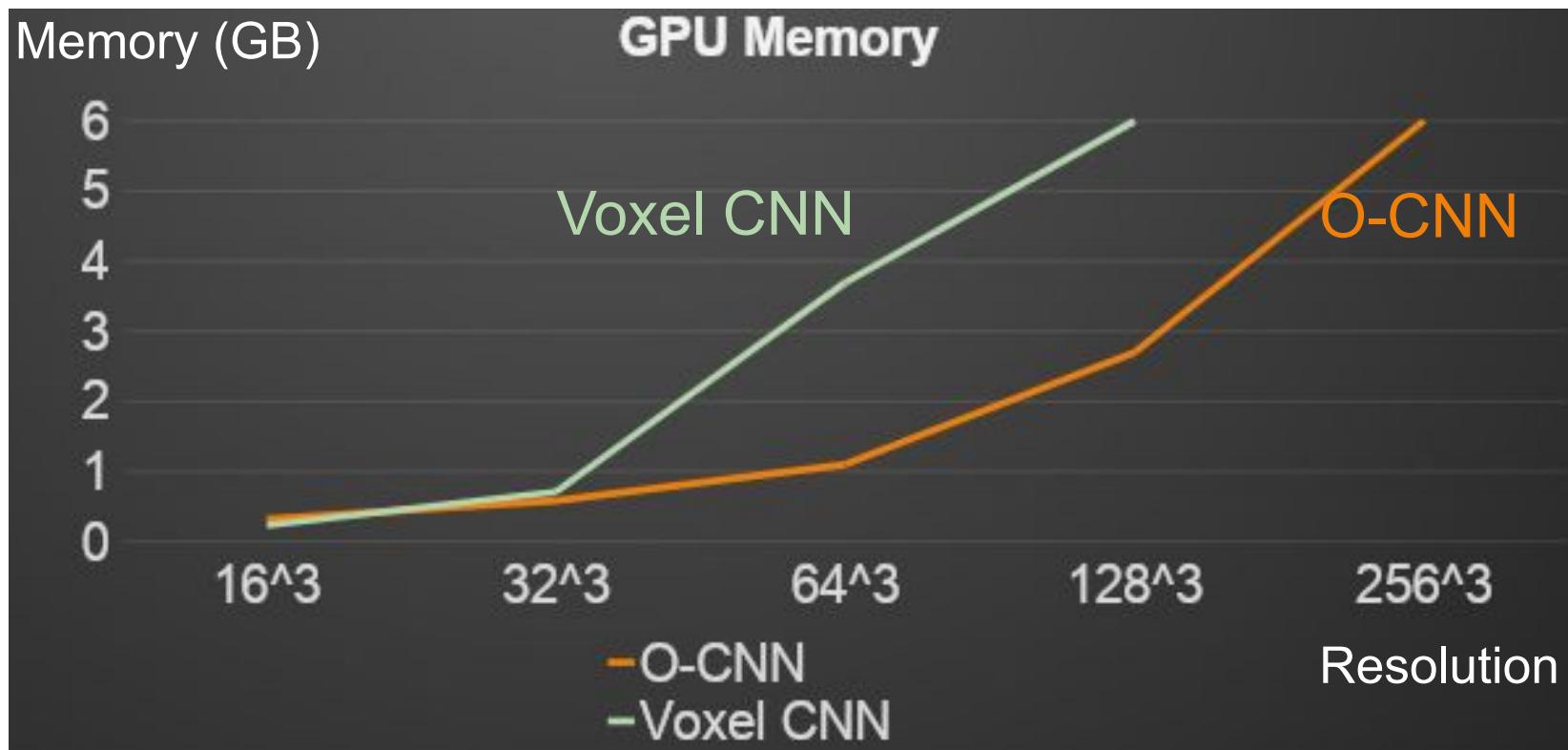


Riegler et al. OctNet. CVPR 2017

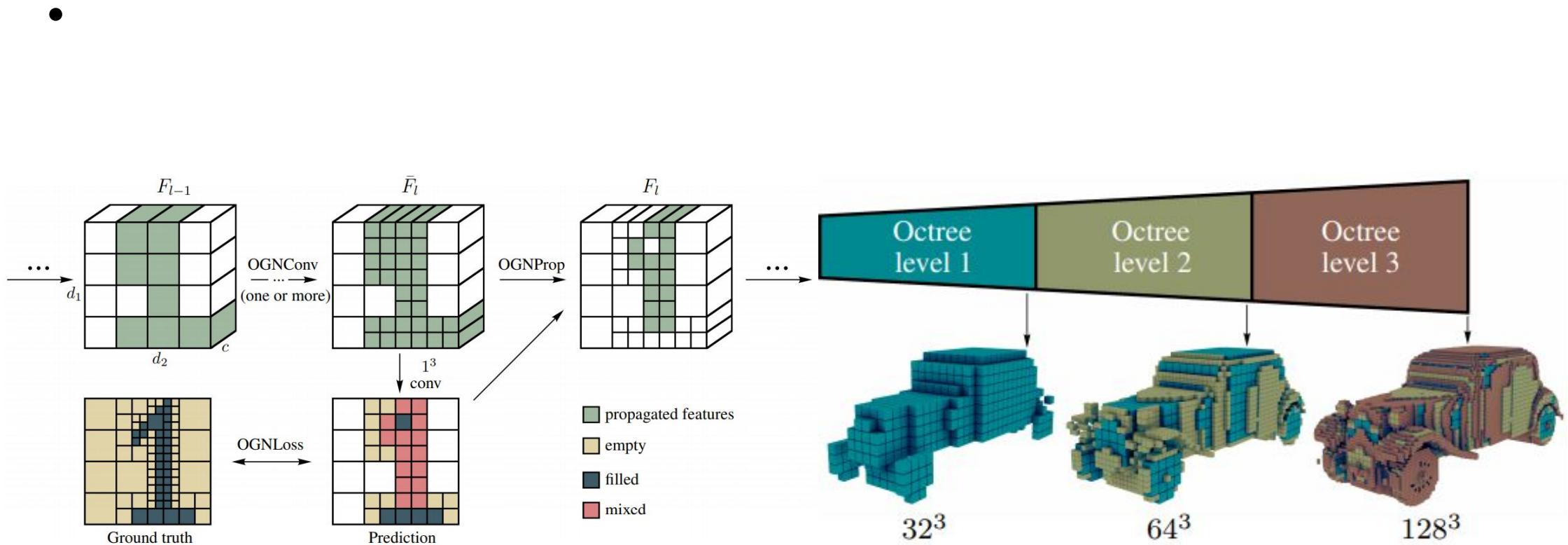


Wang et al. O-CNN. SIGGRAPH 2017

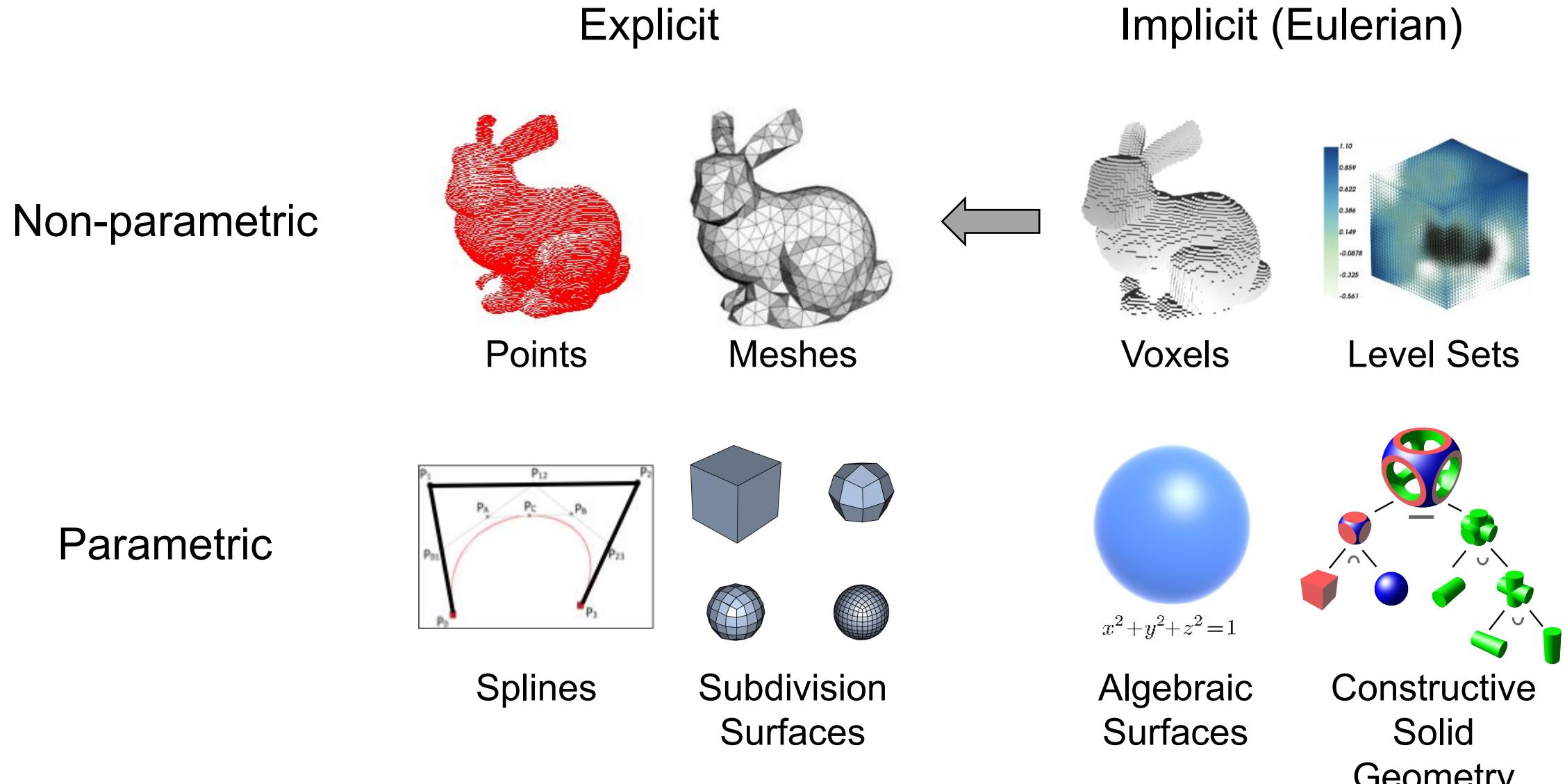
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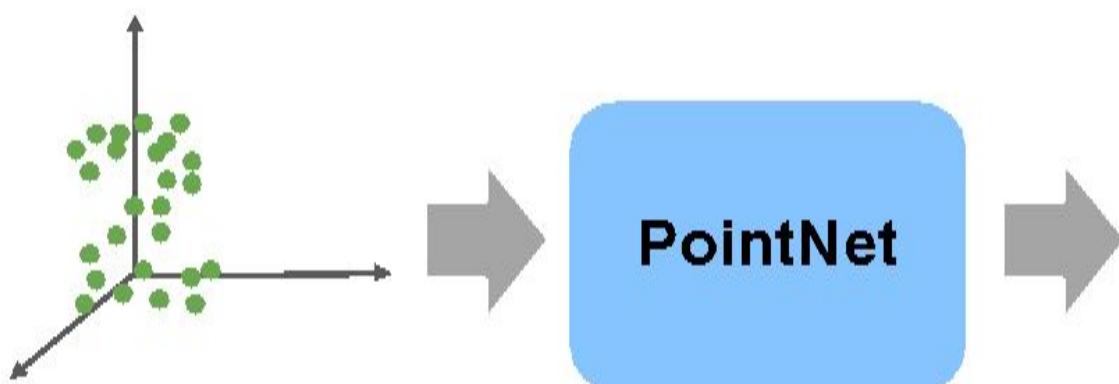
Octree Generating Networks



Eulerian \rightarrow Lagrangian

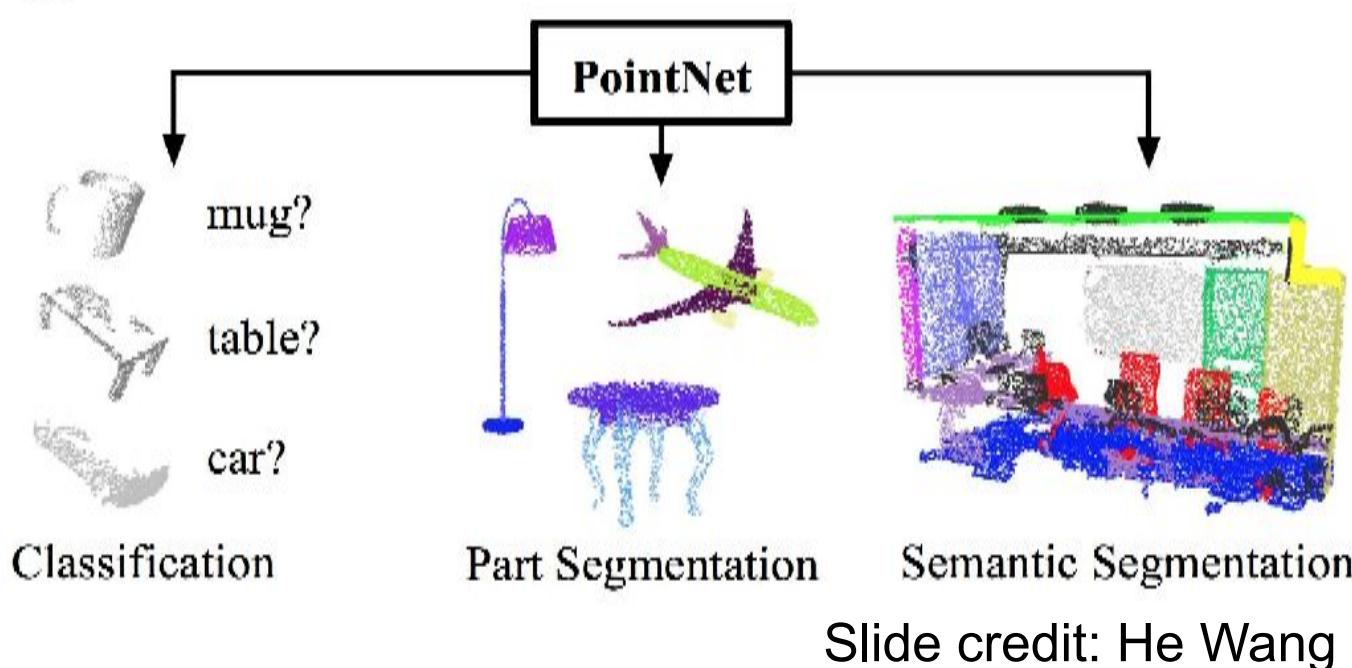


PointNet: First Learning Tool for Point Clouds



End-to-end learning for irregular point data

Unified framework for various tasks



Charles R. Qi, Hao Su, Kaichun Mo, Leonidas J. Guibas.
PointNet: Deep Learning on Point Sets for 3D
Classification and Segmentation. (CVPR '17)

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Invariances

The model has to respect key desiderata for point clouds:

Point Permutation Invariance

Point cloud is a set of **unordered** points

Sampling Invariance

Output a function of the underlying geometry and **not the sampling**

Permutation Invariance: Symmetric Functions

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \equiv f(x_{\pi_1}, x_{\pi_2}, \dots, x_{\pi_n}), \quad x_i \in \mathbb{R}^D$$

Examples:

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$$

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

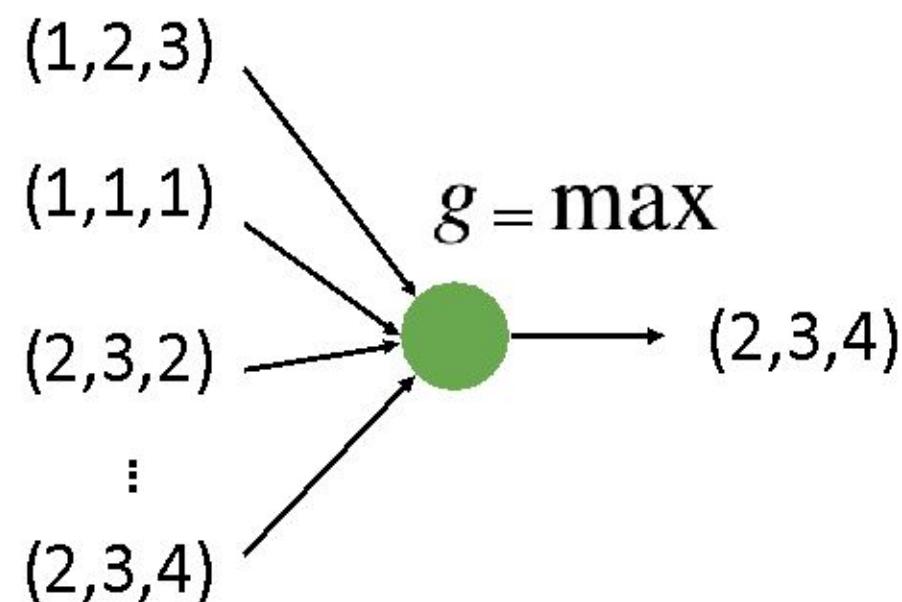
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How can we construct a universal family of symmetric functions by neural networks?

Construct Symmetric Functions by Neural Networks

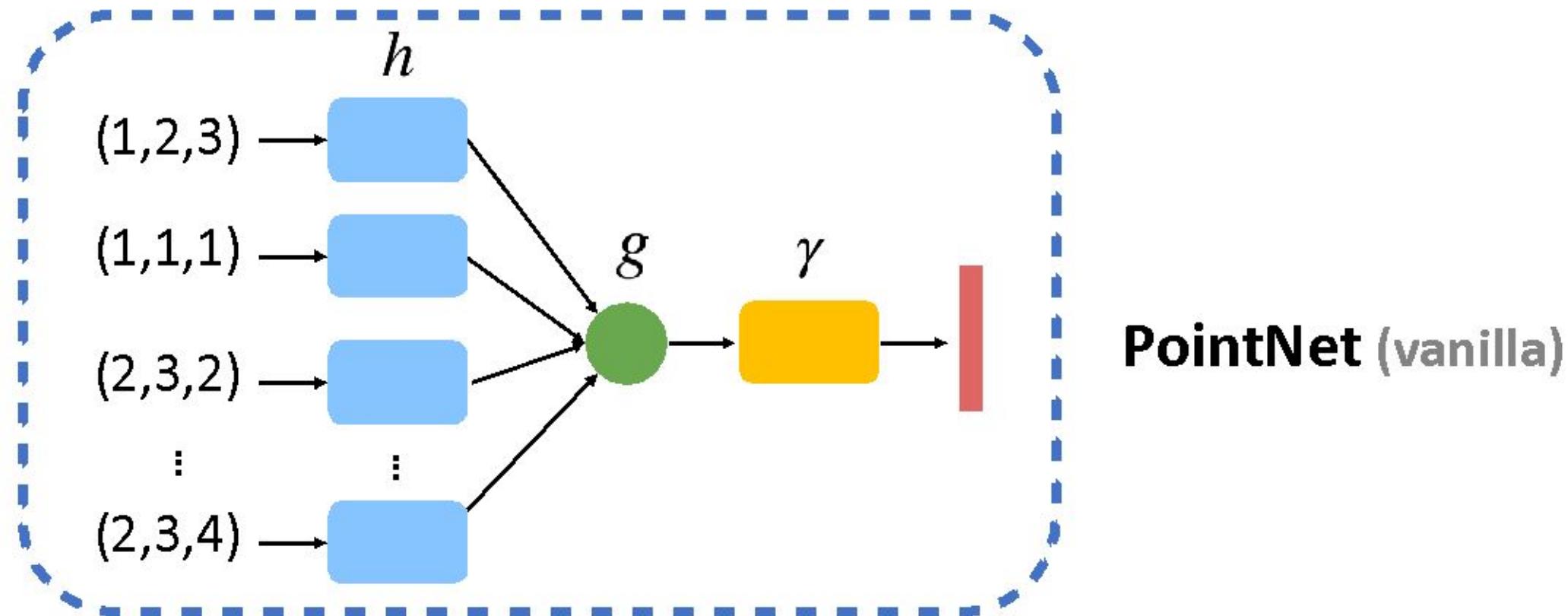
Simplest form: directly aggregate all points with a symmetric operator g

Just discovers simple extreme/aggregate properties of the geometry.



Construct Symmetric Functions by Neural Networks

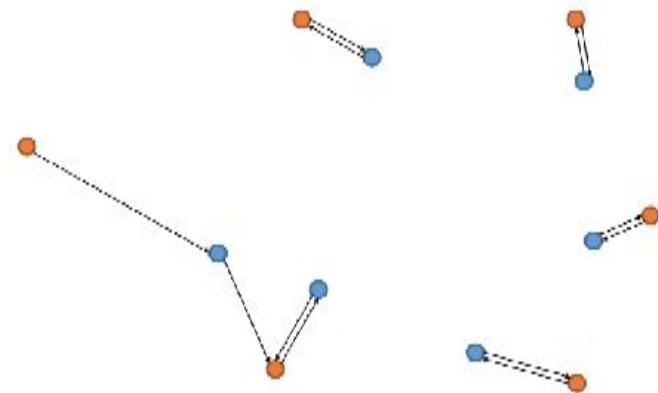
$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \gamma \circ g(h(x_1), \dots, h(x_n))$ is symmetric if g is symmetric



Distance Metrics for Point Cloud

Chamfer distance We define the Chamfer distance between $S_1, S_2 \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ as:

$$d_{CD}(S_1, S_2) = \sum_{x \in S_1} \min_{y \in S_2} \|x - y\|_2 + \sum_{y \in S_2} \min_{x \in S_1} \|x - y\|_2$$



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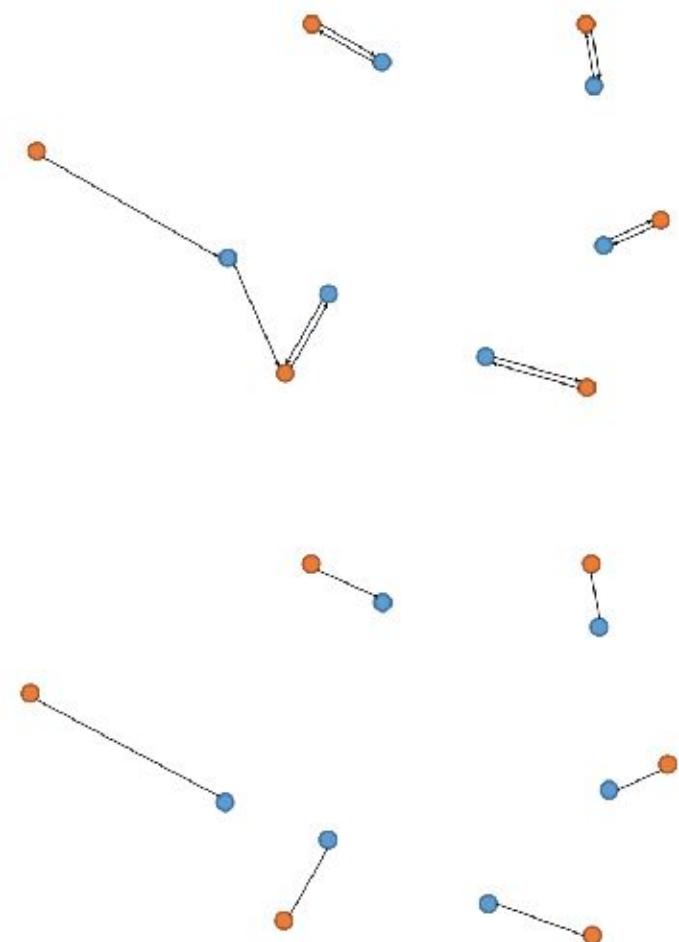
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Sum of closest distances

Inensitive to sampling
(only relatively)

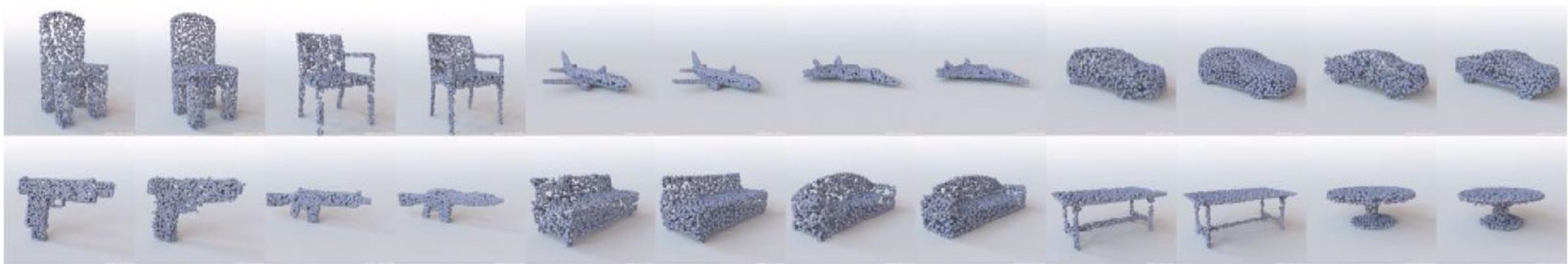
Sum of matched closest distances

Sensitive to sampling

Point Cloud AE

Encoder: PointNet

Decoder: MLP

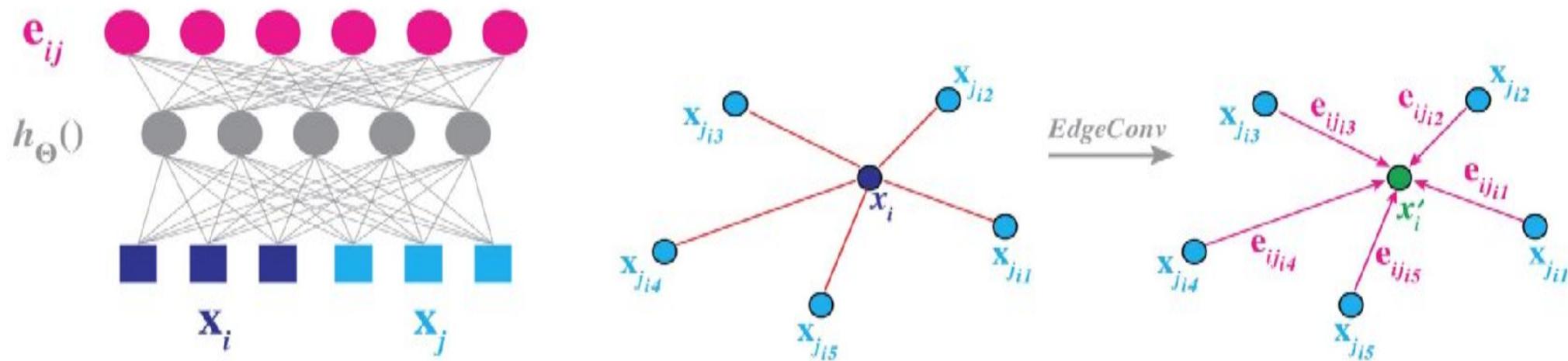


ICML 2018, Learning Representations and Generative Models for
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Graph NNs on Point Clouds

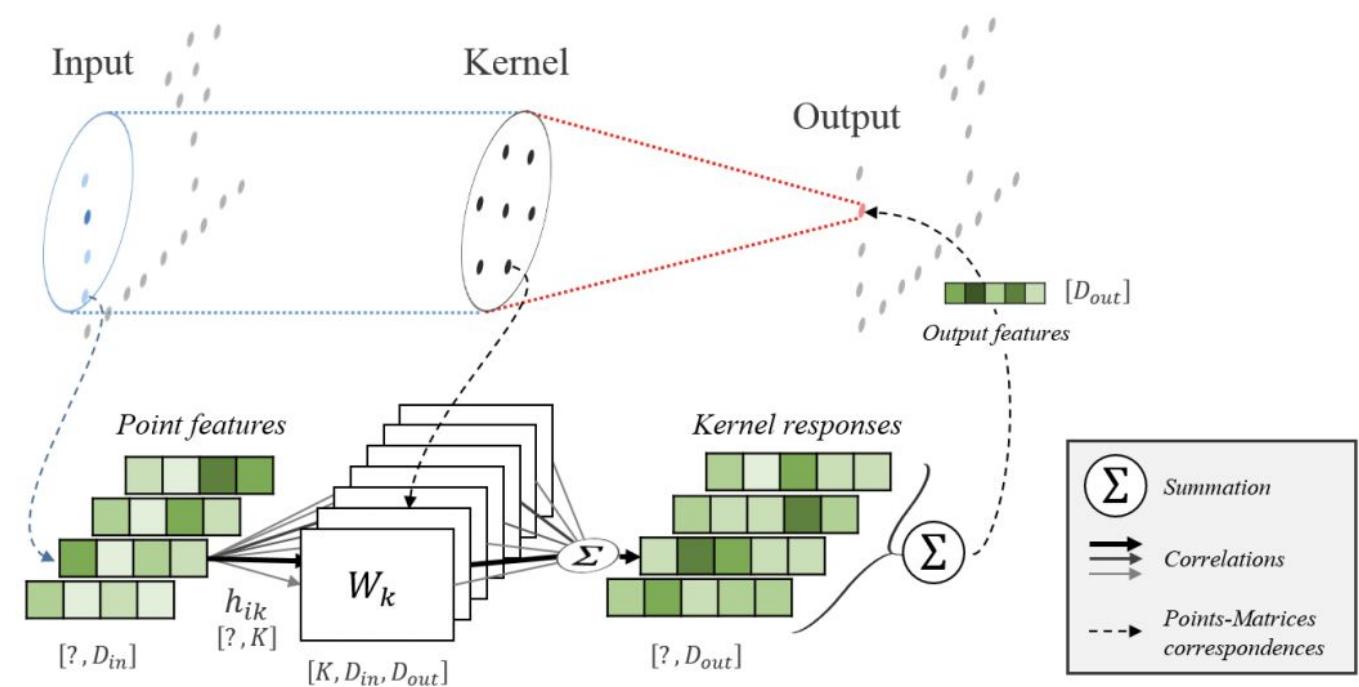
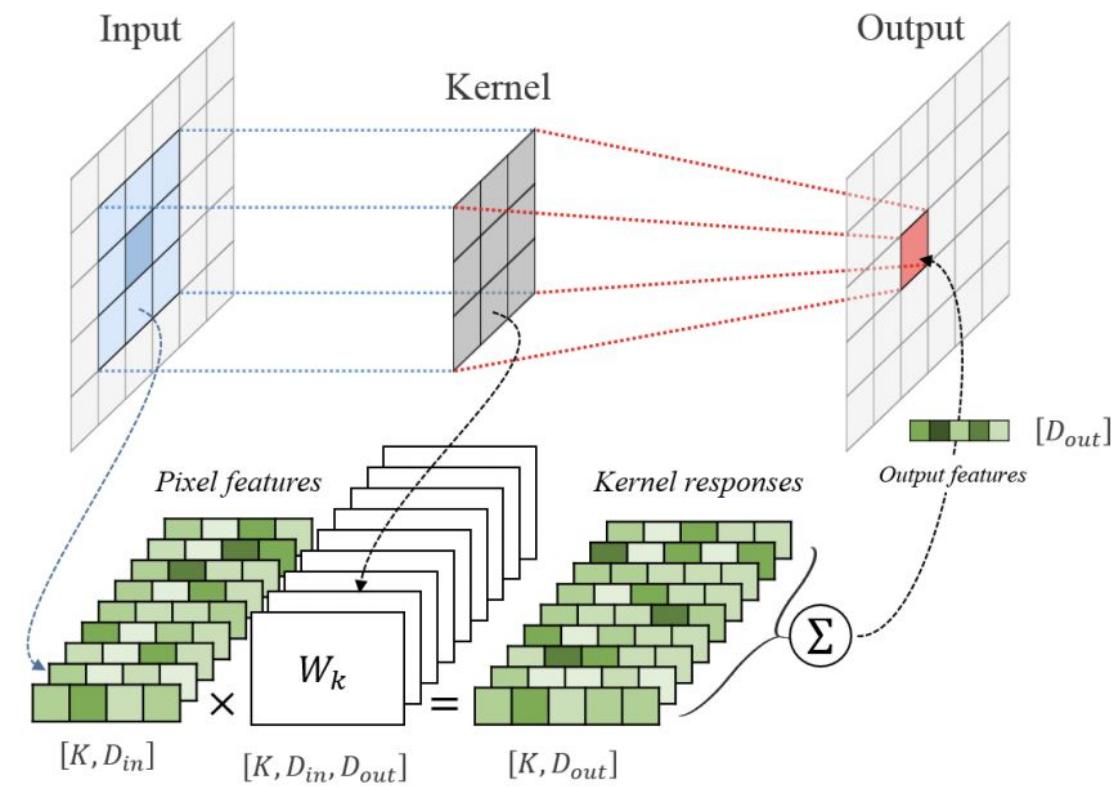
- Points -> Nodes
- Neighborhood -> Edges
- Graph NNs for point cloud processing



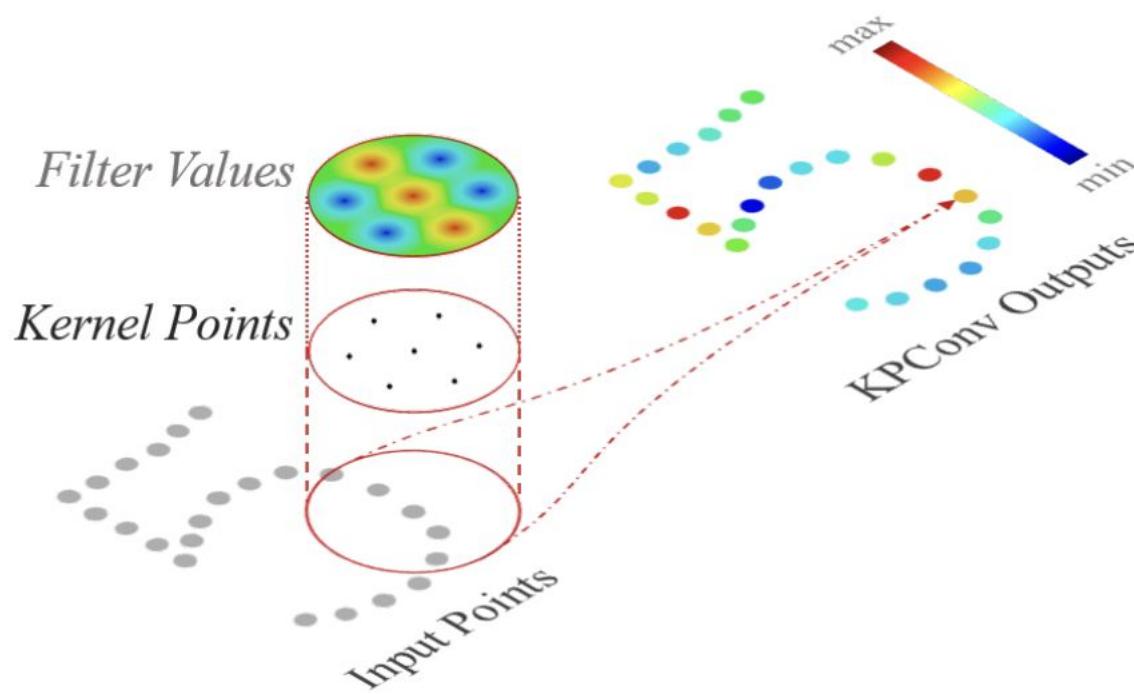
Message-Passing GNNs are not Geometry-Aware

- Points are **sampled** from surfaces.
- Ideally, features describe the geometry of underlying surface. They should be sample invariant.
- Message-passing GNNs do not address sample invariance.
- **Solution:** Estimate the continuous kernel and point density for continuous convolution (KPConv)

Kernel Point Convolution (KPConv)

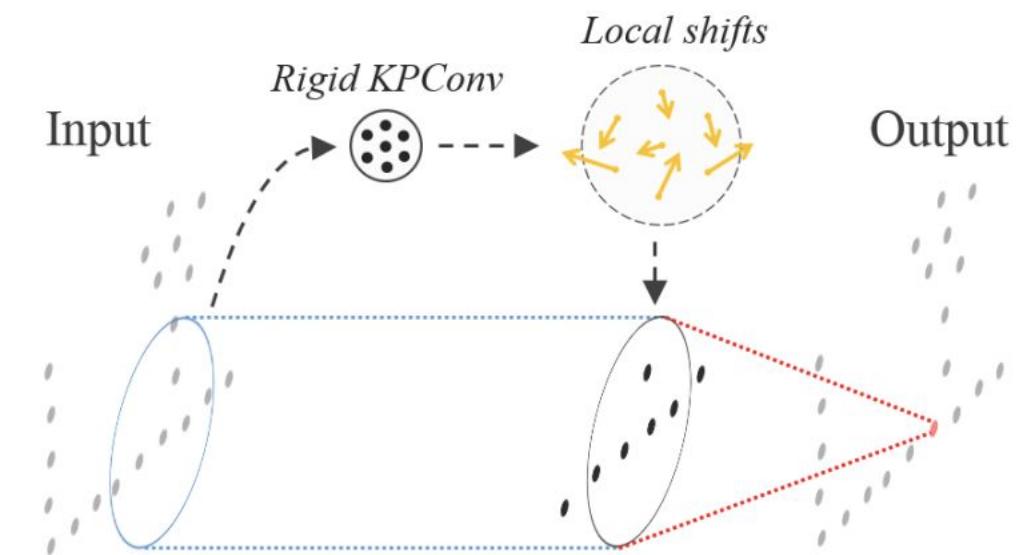


Deformable Kernel for Deformable Objects



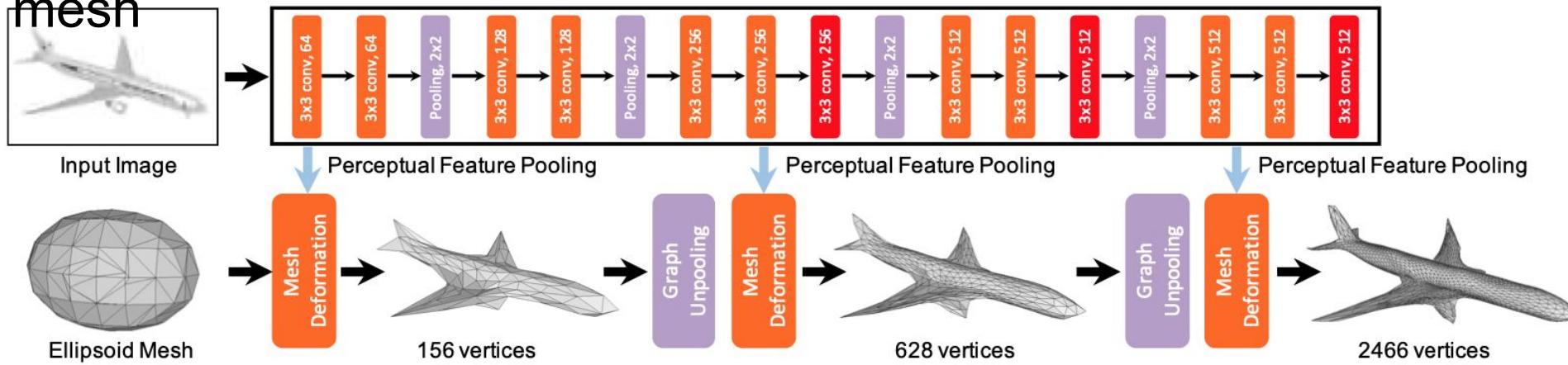
Deformable point-based kernel

- 3D version of 2D deformable convolution

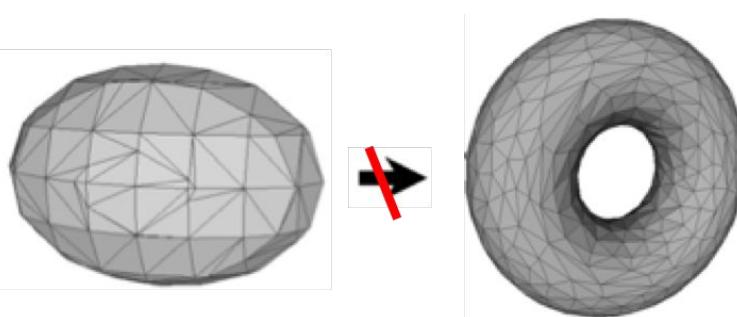


Pixel2Mesh

Learn to deform a template mesh

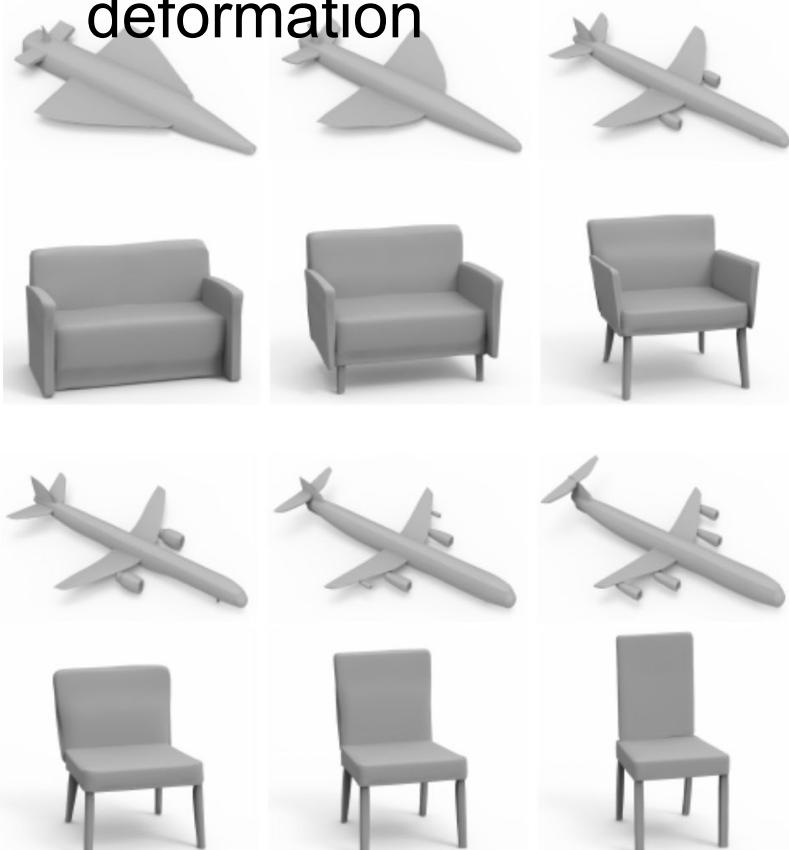


Cannot change the topology of the template mesh

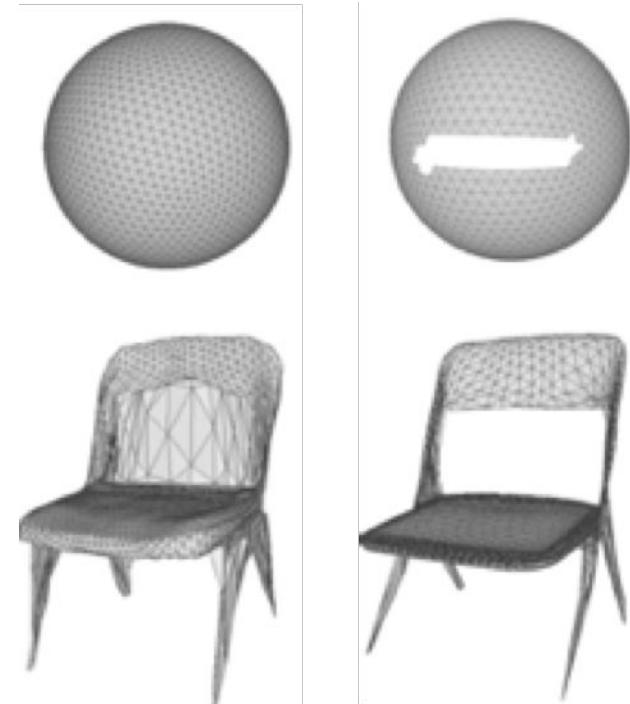


More on Mesh Deformation

Part-level
deformation



Modify the topology of
the template mesh

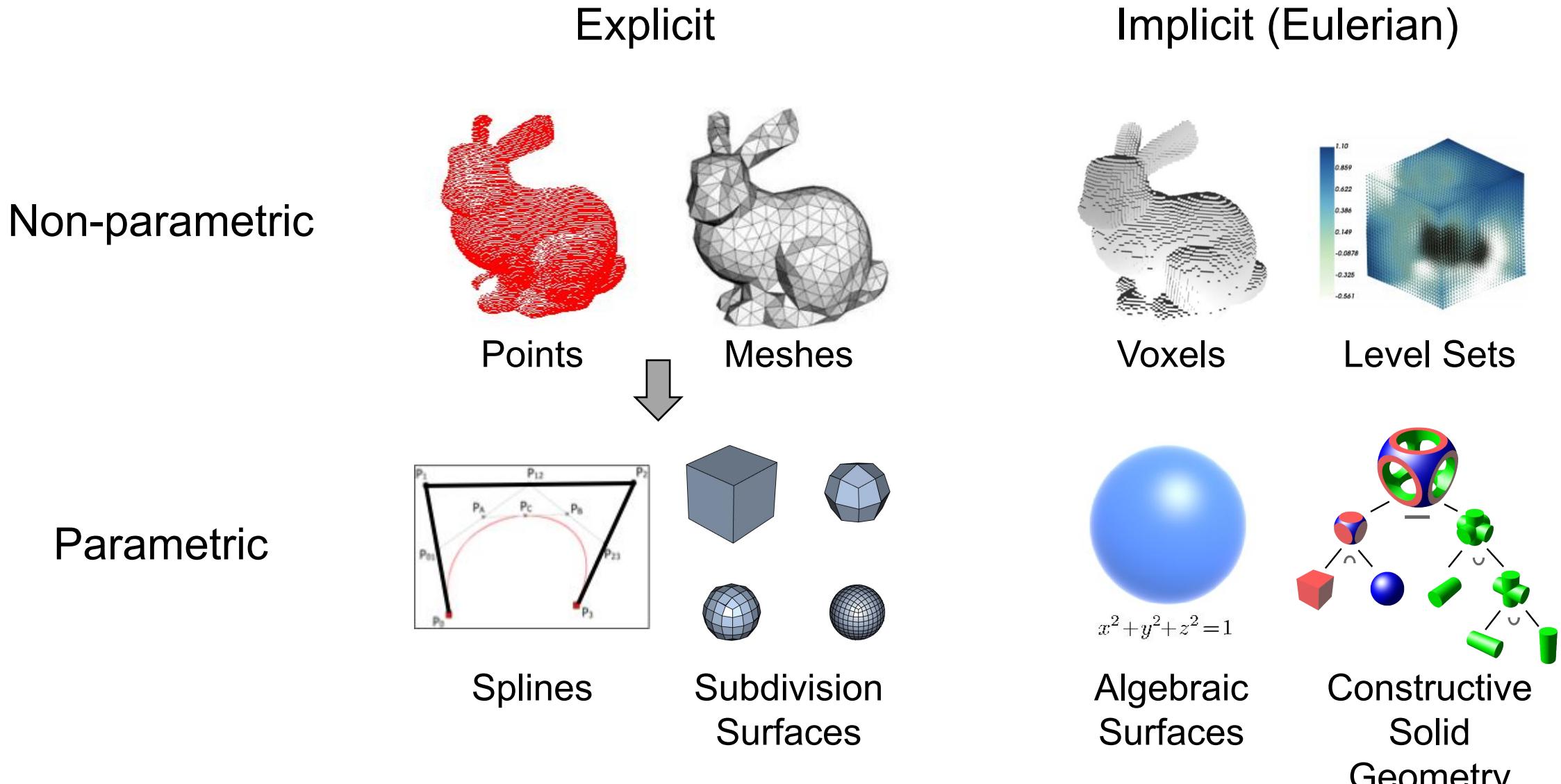


Gao et al. SDM-NET: Deep generative network for structured deformable mesh. SIGGRAPH Asia 2019

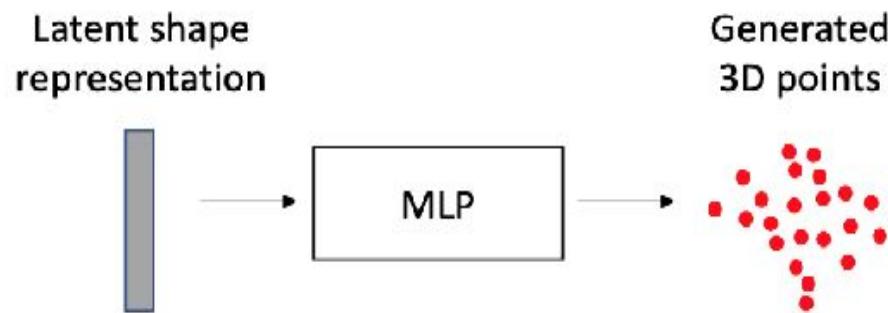
Pan et al., Deep Mesh Reconstruction from Single RGB Images via Topology Modification Networks. ICCV 2019

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Non-Parametric → Parametric

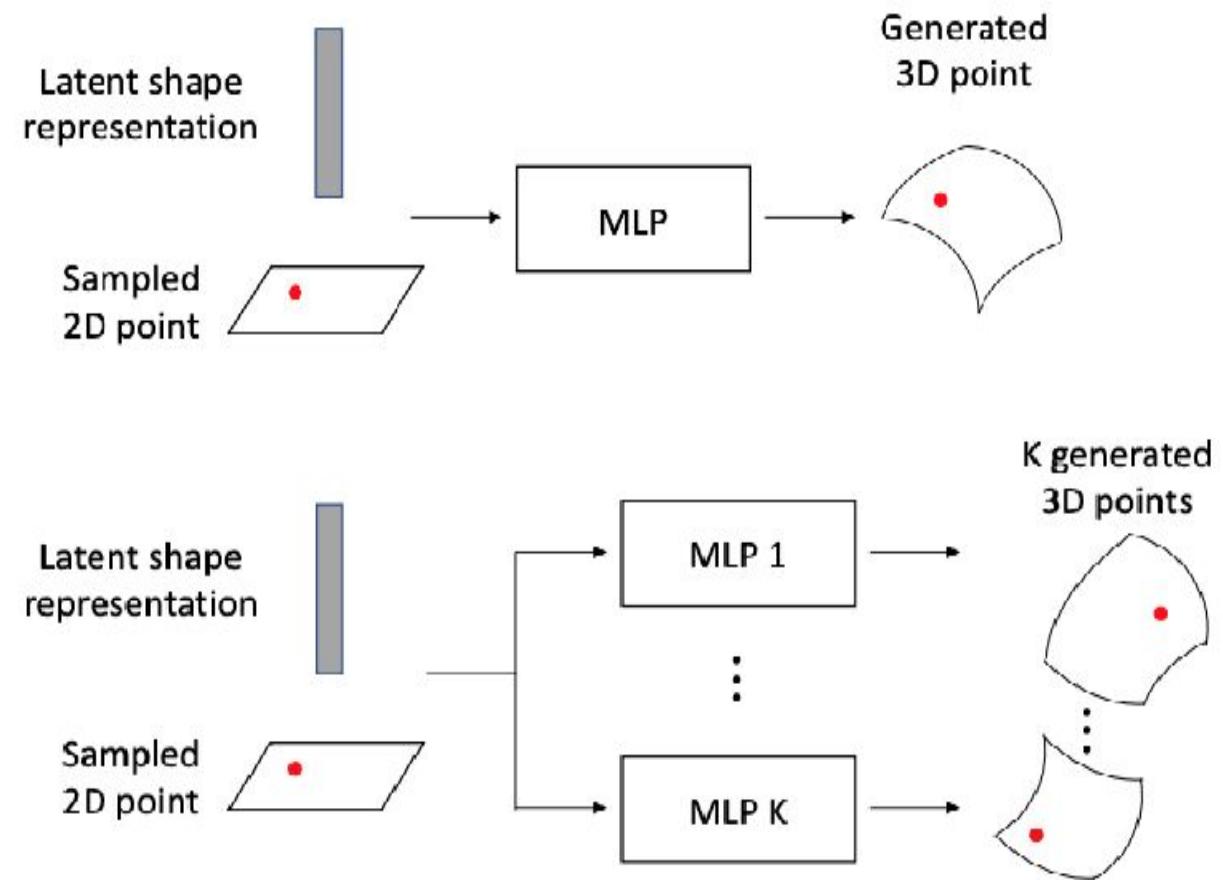


Parametric Decoder: AtlasNet



Given the output points form a smooth surface,
enforce such a parametrization as input.

$$\text{MLP}(z, u, v) \rightarrow \text{point}$$

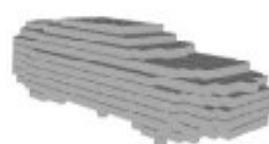
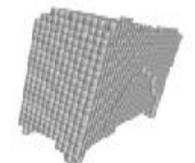
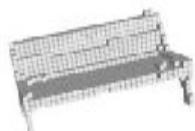


Results

Input image



Voxel



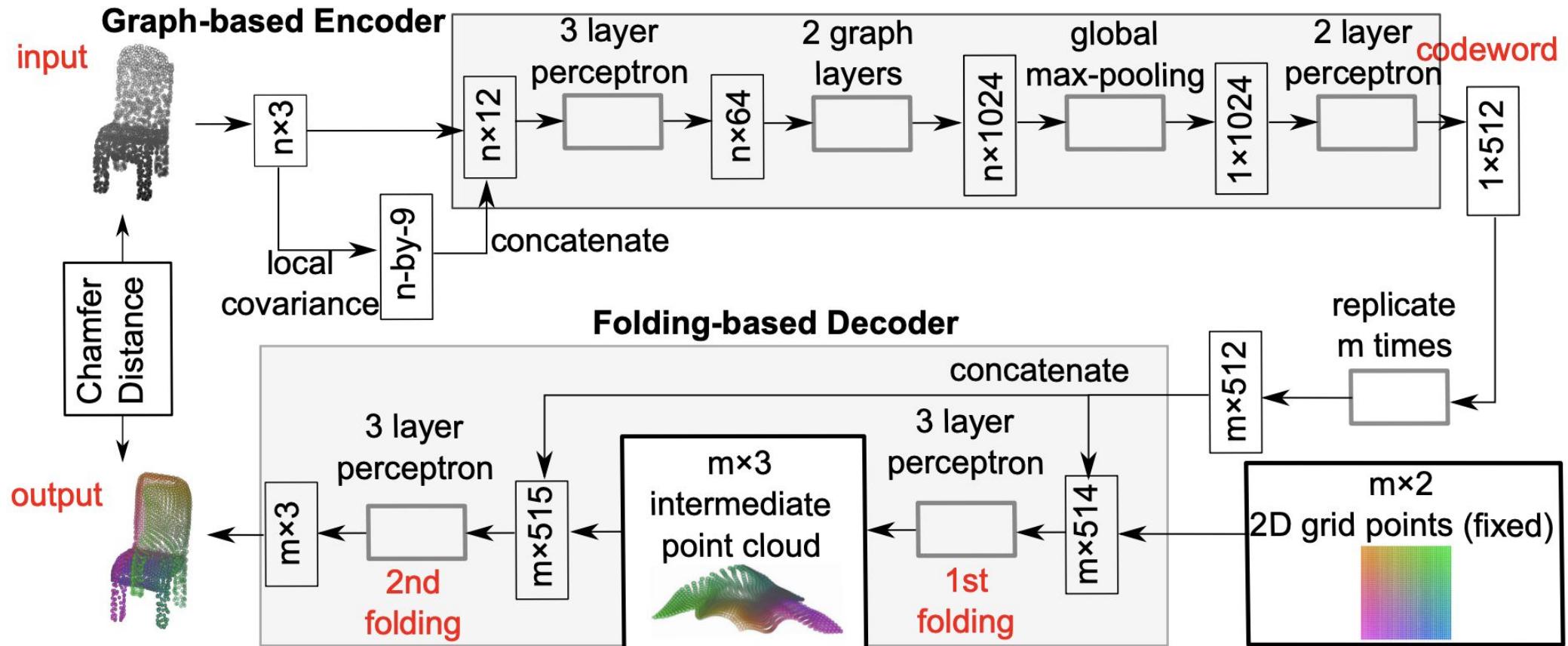
Point cloud



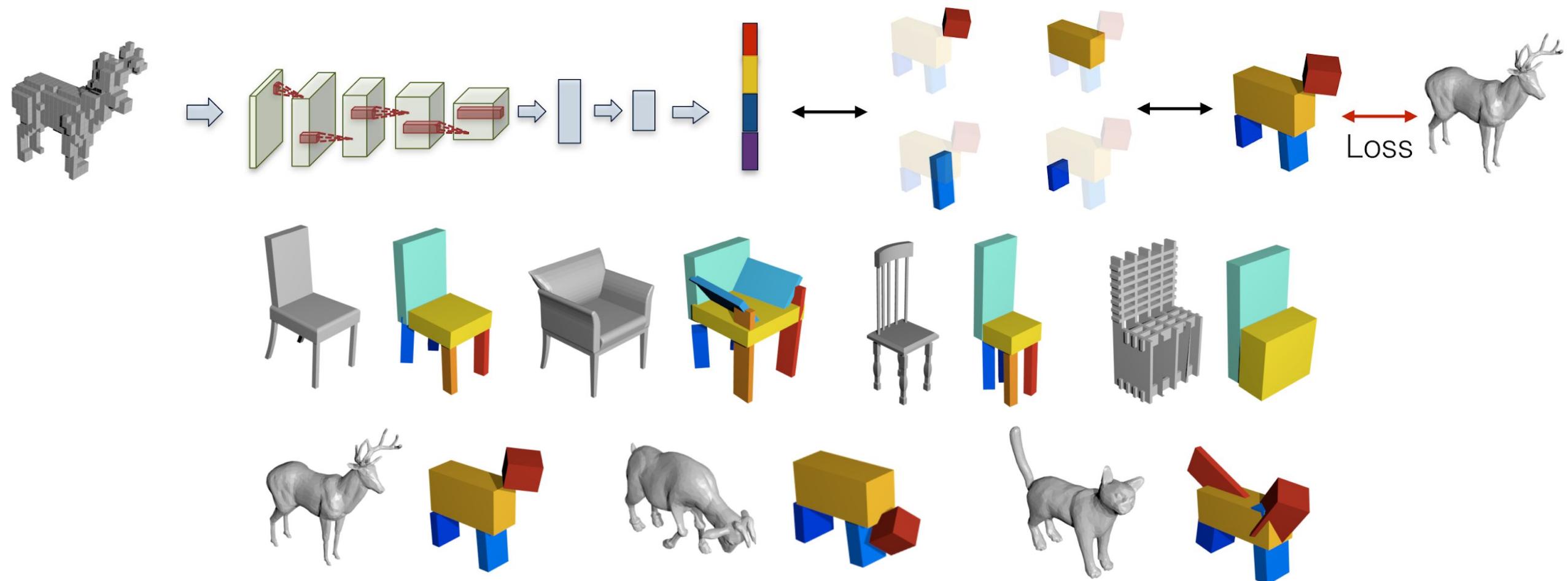
AtlasNet



FoldingNet

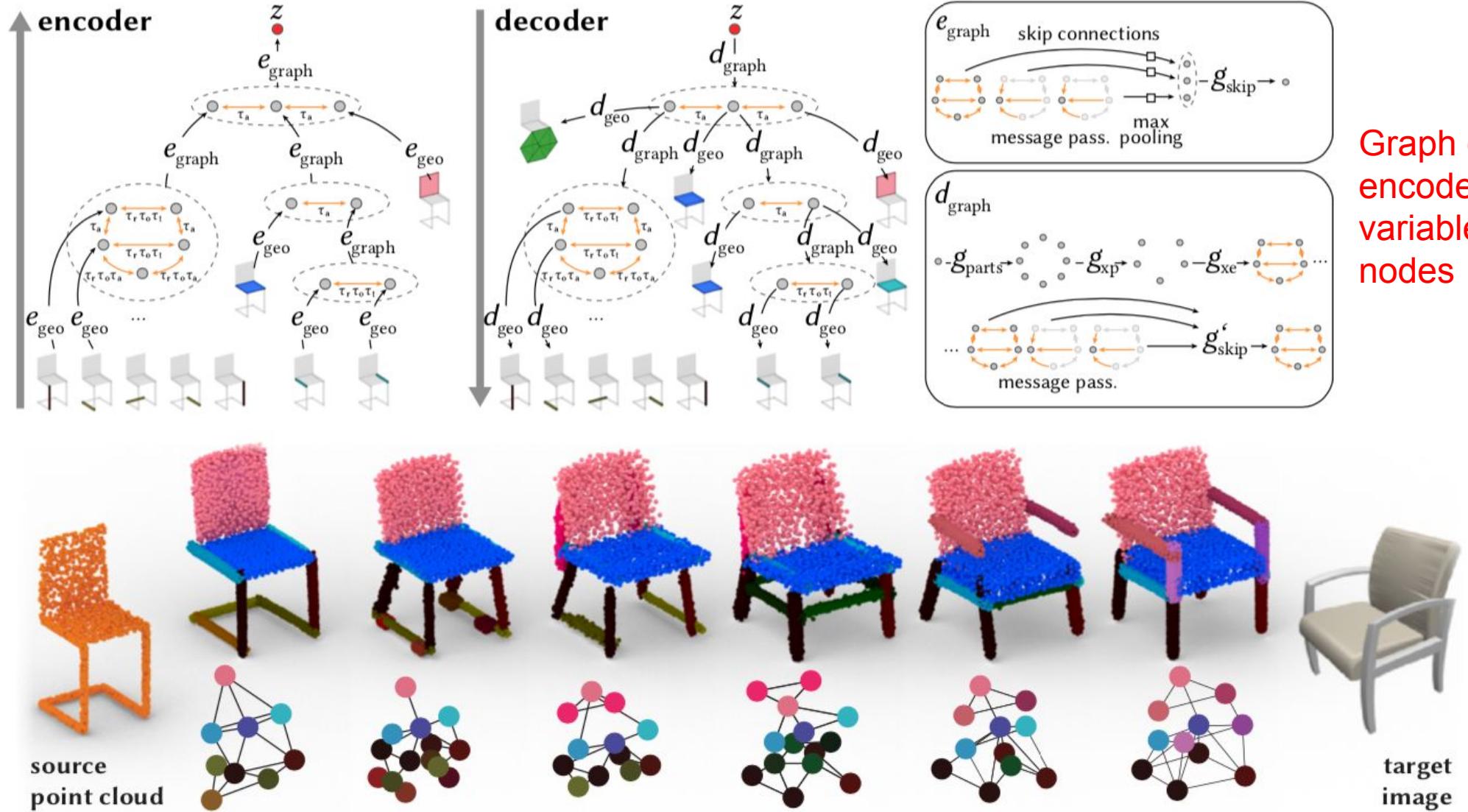


Assembling Volumetric Primitives

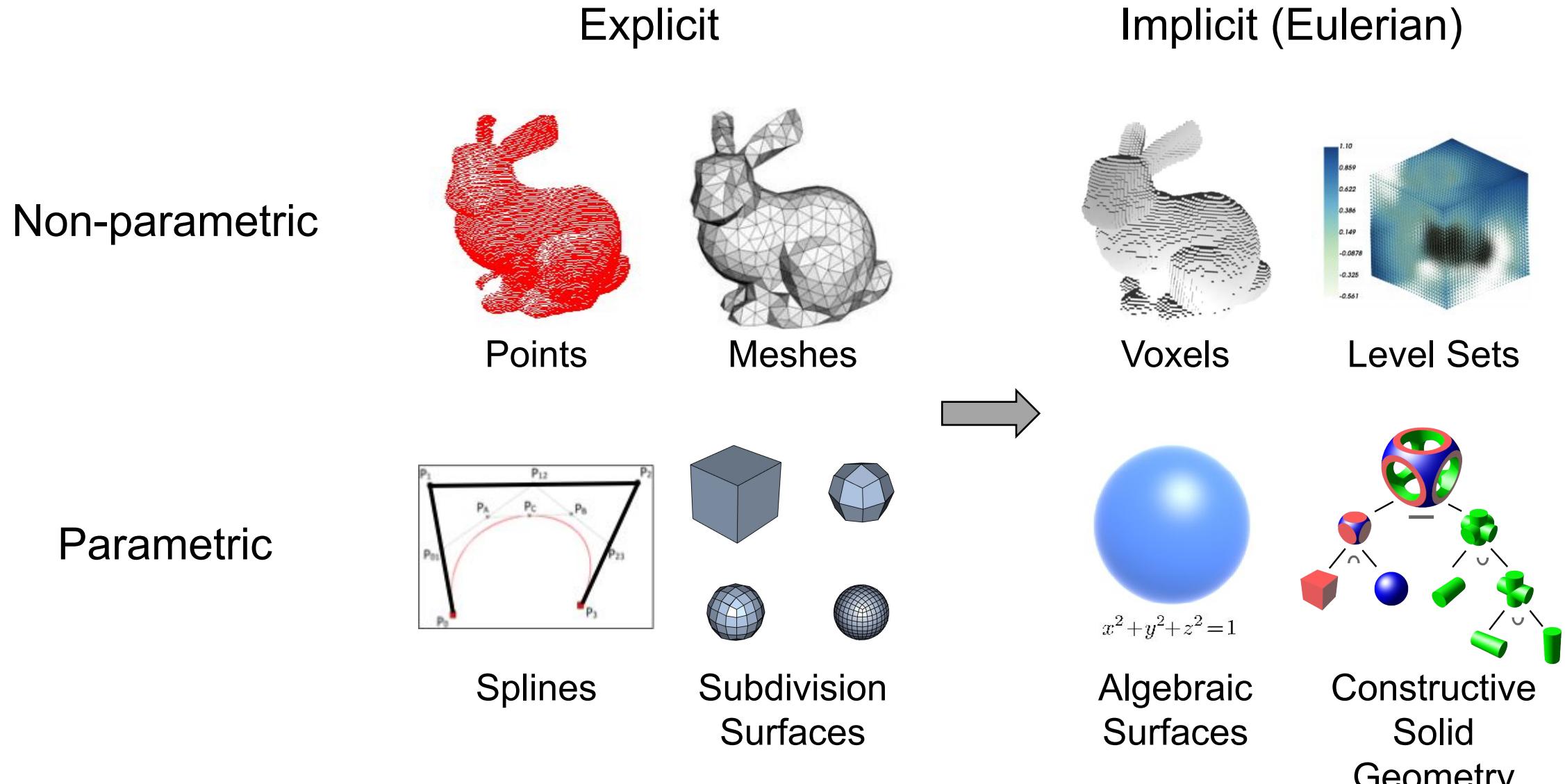


Incorporating Shape Structure

StructureNet



Explicit \rightarrow Implicit

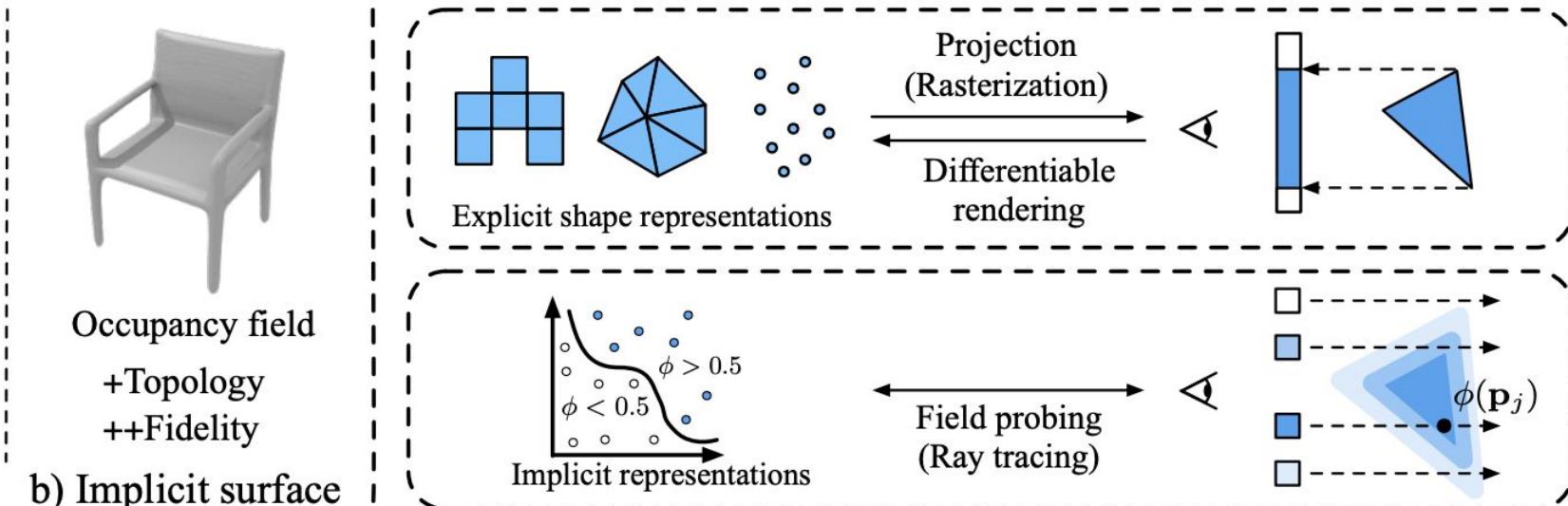


Deep Implicit Functions



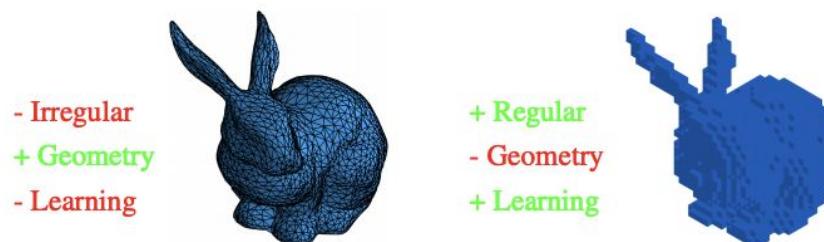
Voxel
+Topology
-Fidelity
Point cloud
+Topology
-Fidelity
Mesh
-Topology
+Fidelity

a) Explicit representation



b) Implicit surface

Liu et al. Learning to Infer Implicit Surfaces without 3D Supervision. NeurIPS



(a) Explicit representations

(b) Voxels

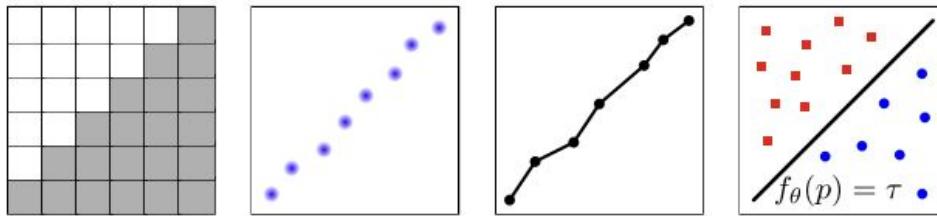
(c) Point cloud

(d) Level set

Figure 2. Four common representations of 3D shape along with their advantages and disadvantages.

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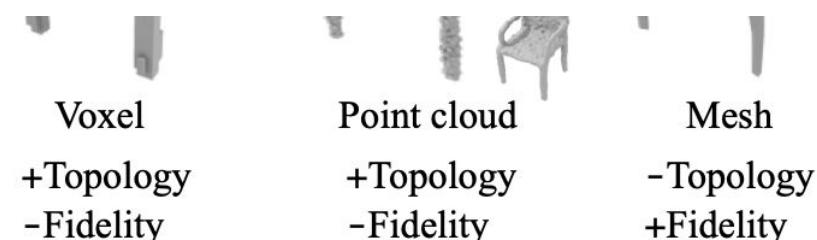
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Occupancy Networks
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(a) Voxel (b) Point (c) Mesh (d) Ours

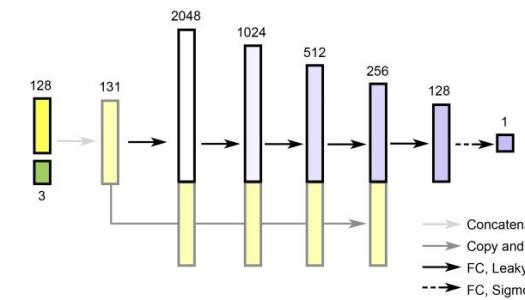


a) Explicit representation

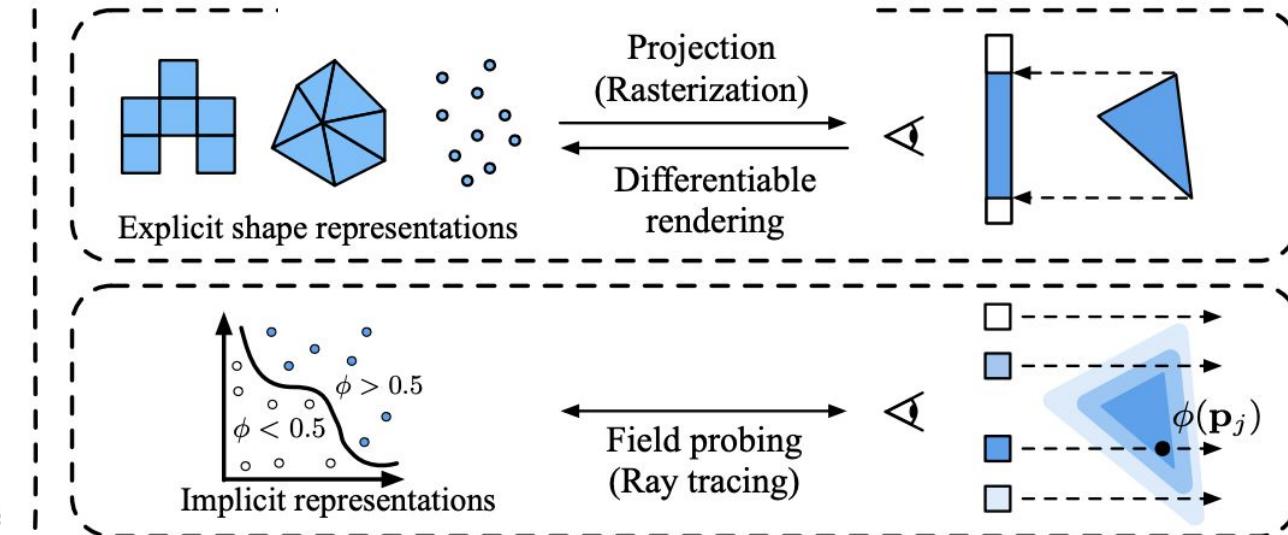


Occupancy field
+Topology
++Fidelity

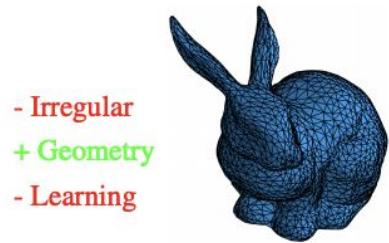
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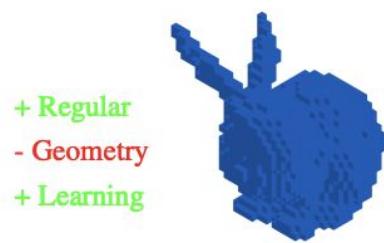
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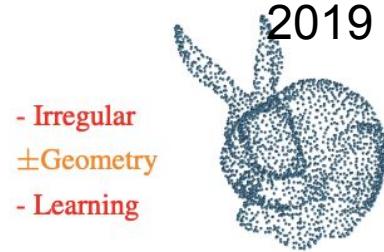


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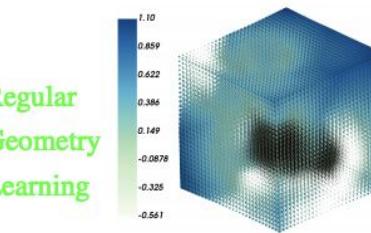
+ Regular
- Geometry
+ Learning

(b) Voxels



- Irregular
± Geometry
- Learning

(c) Point cloud



(d) Level set

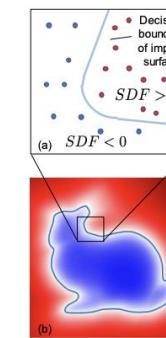


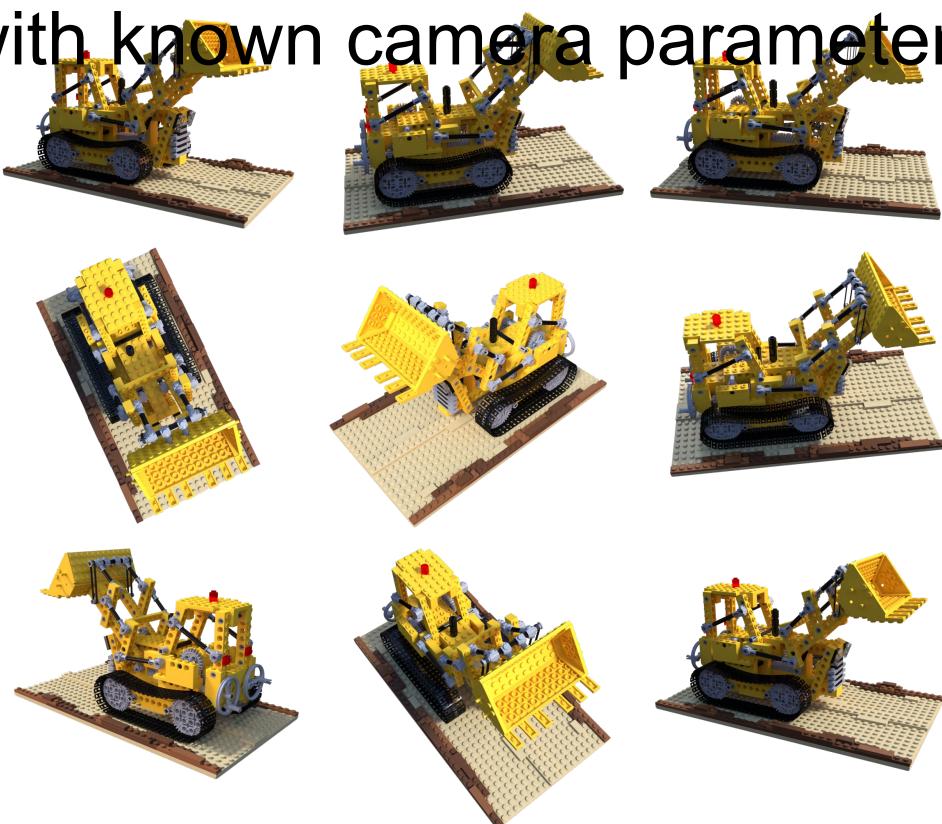
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Neural Radiance Fields (NeRF) for View Synthesis

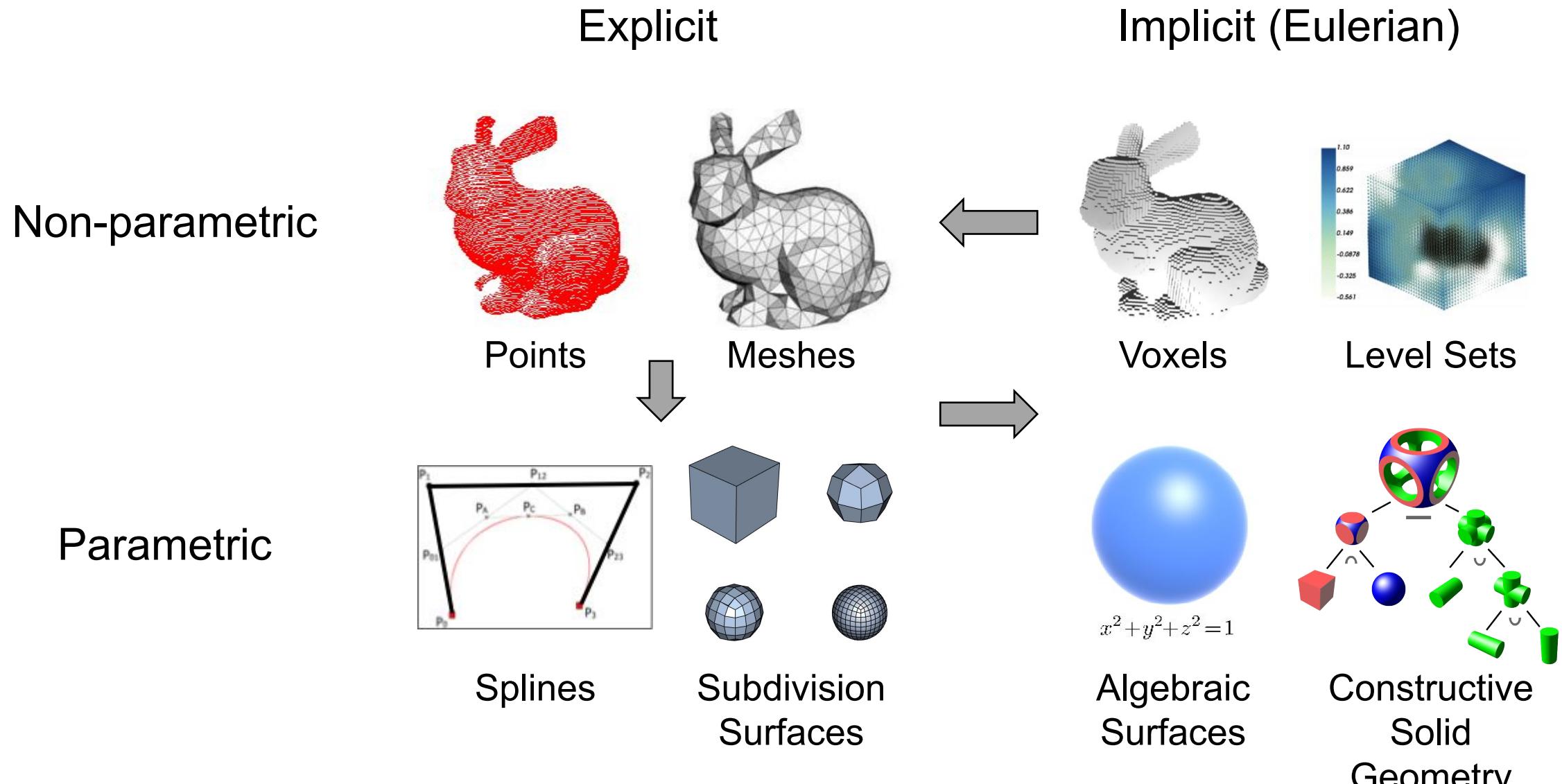
Input: Many images of the same scene
(with known camera parameters)



Output: Images showing the scene from novel viewpoints



Shape Representations



Next:
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