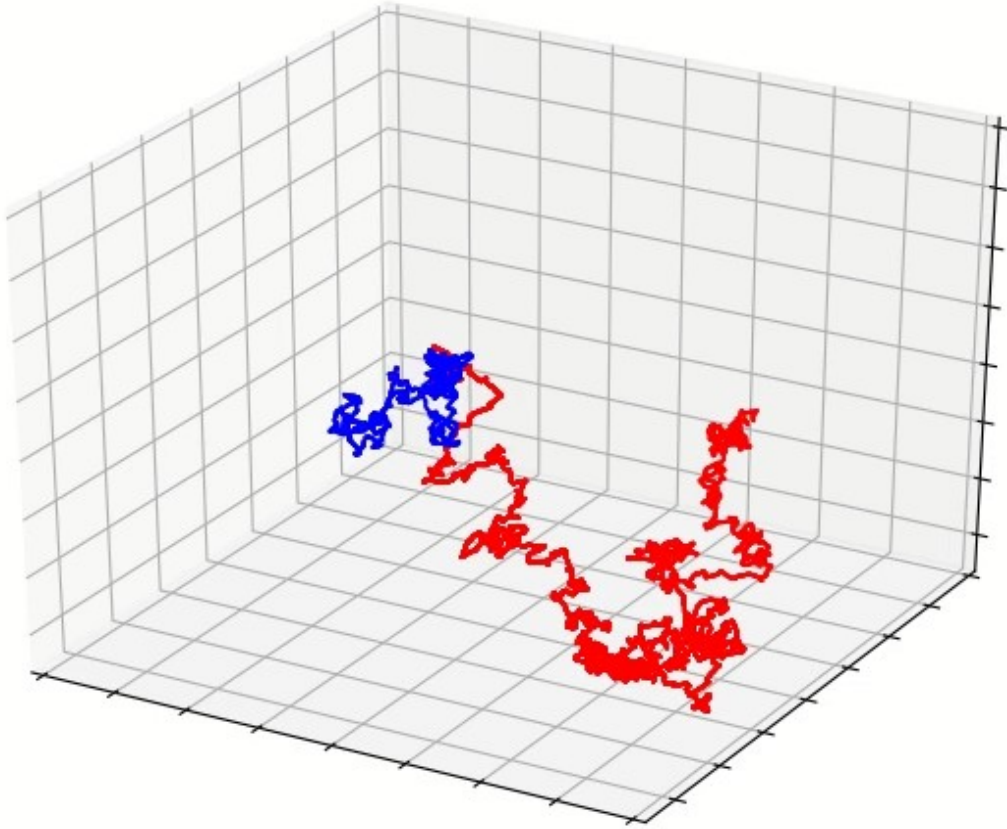




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Monte Carlo radiation transfer and computational physics



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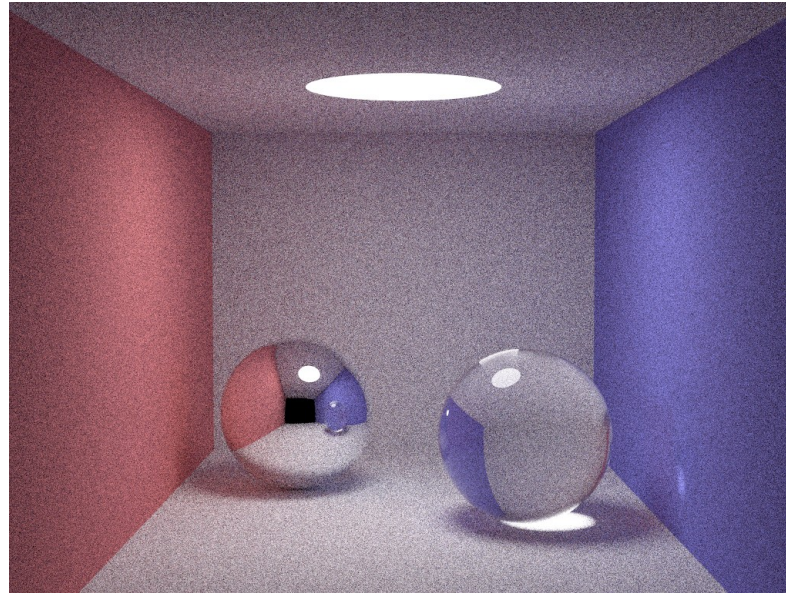
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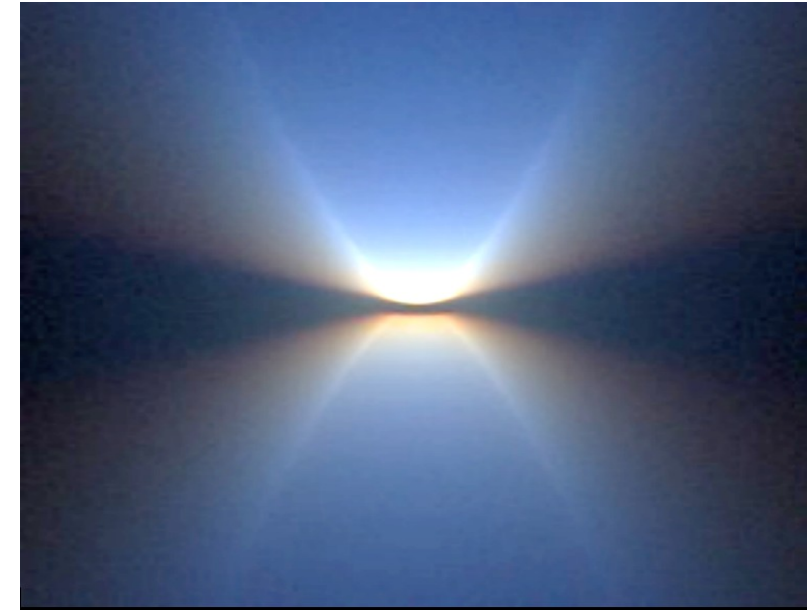
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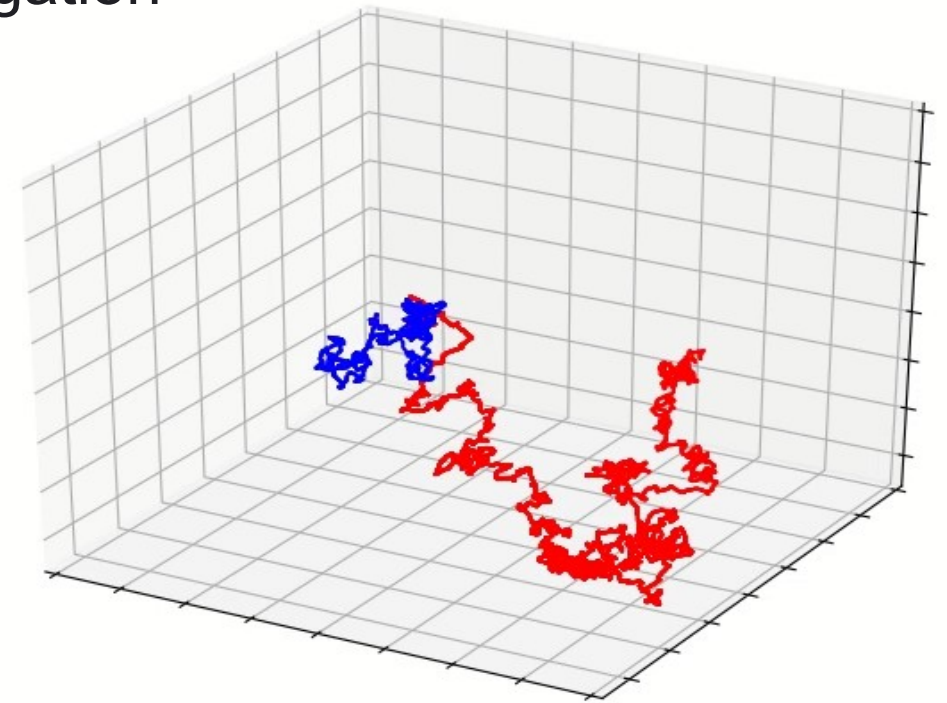
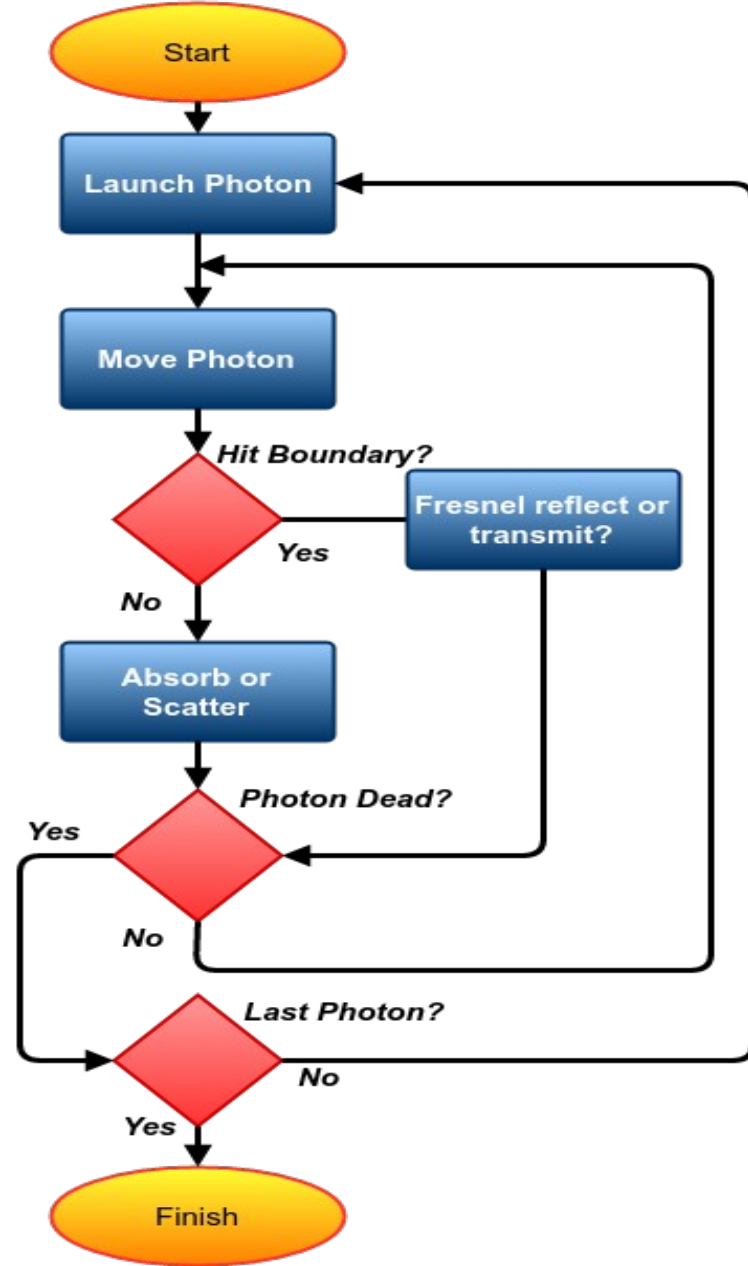
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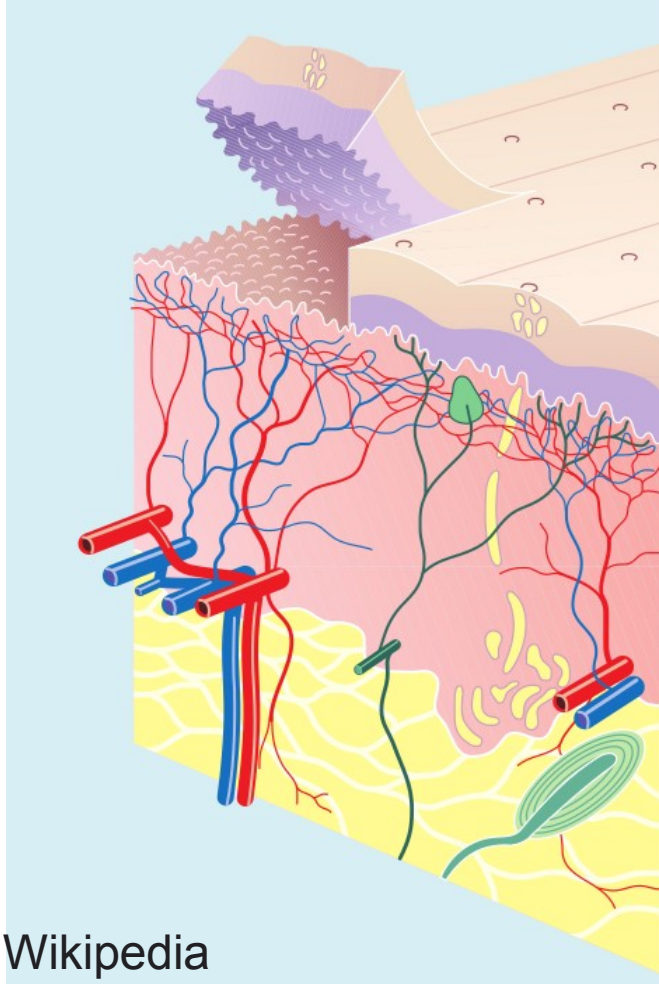
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Monte Carlo Radiation Transfer

Uses random numbers and interaction probabilities to simulate photon propagation



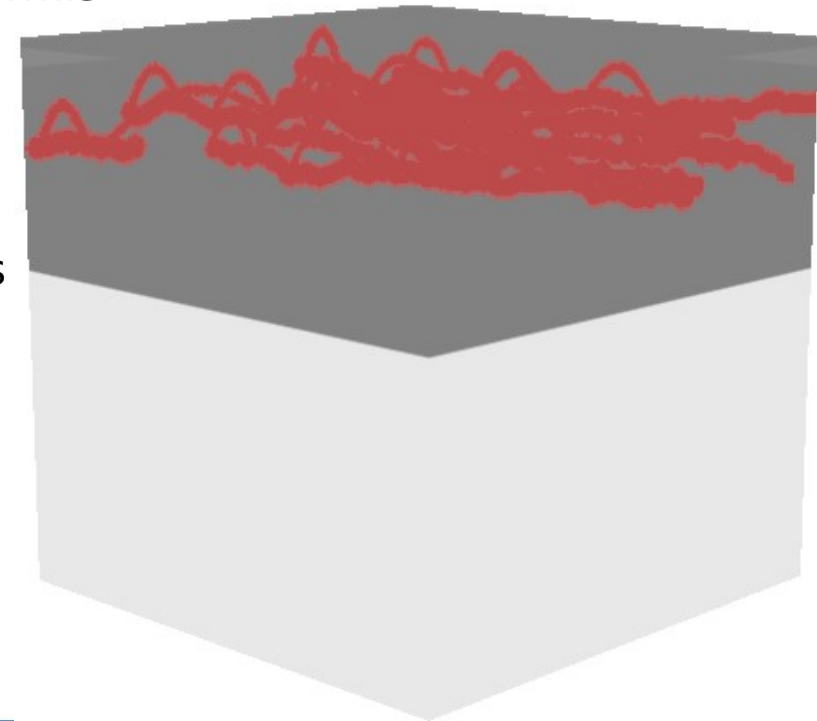
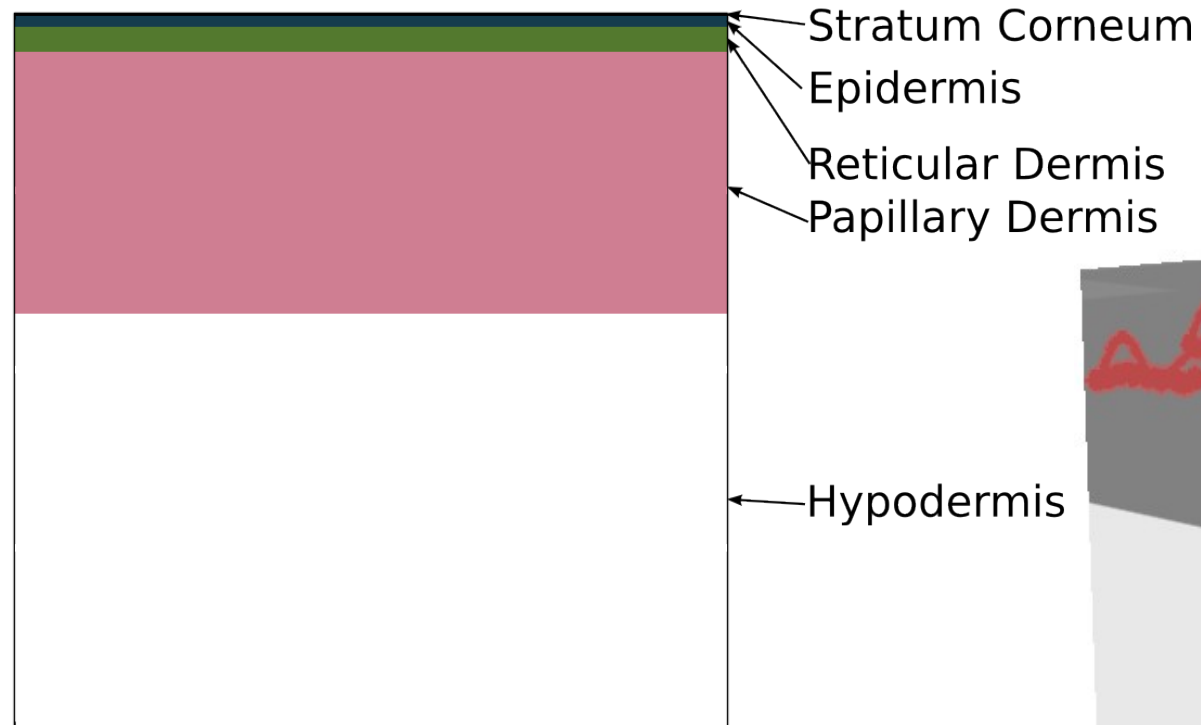
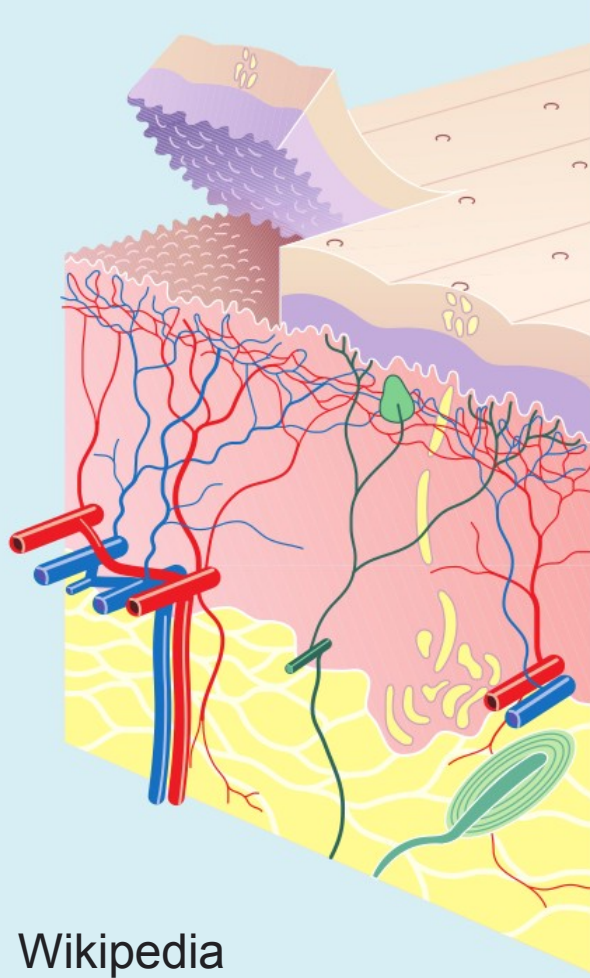
Voxel Model



Wikipedia

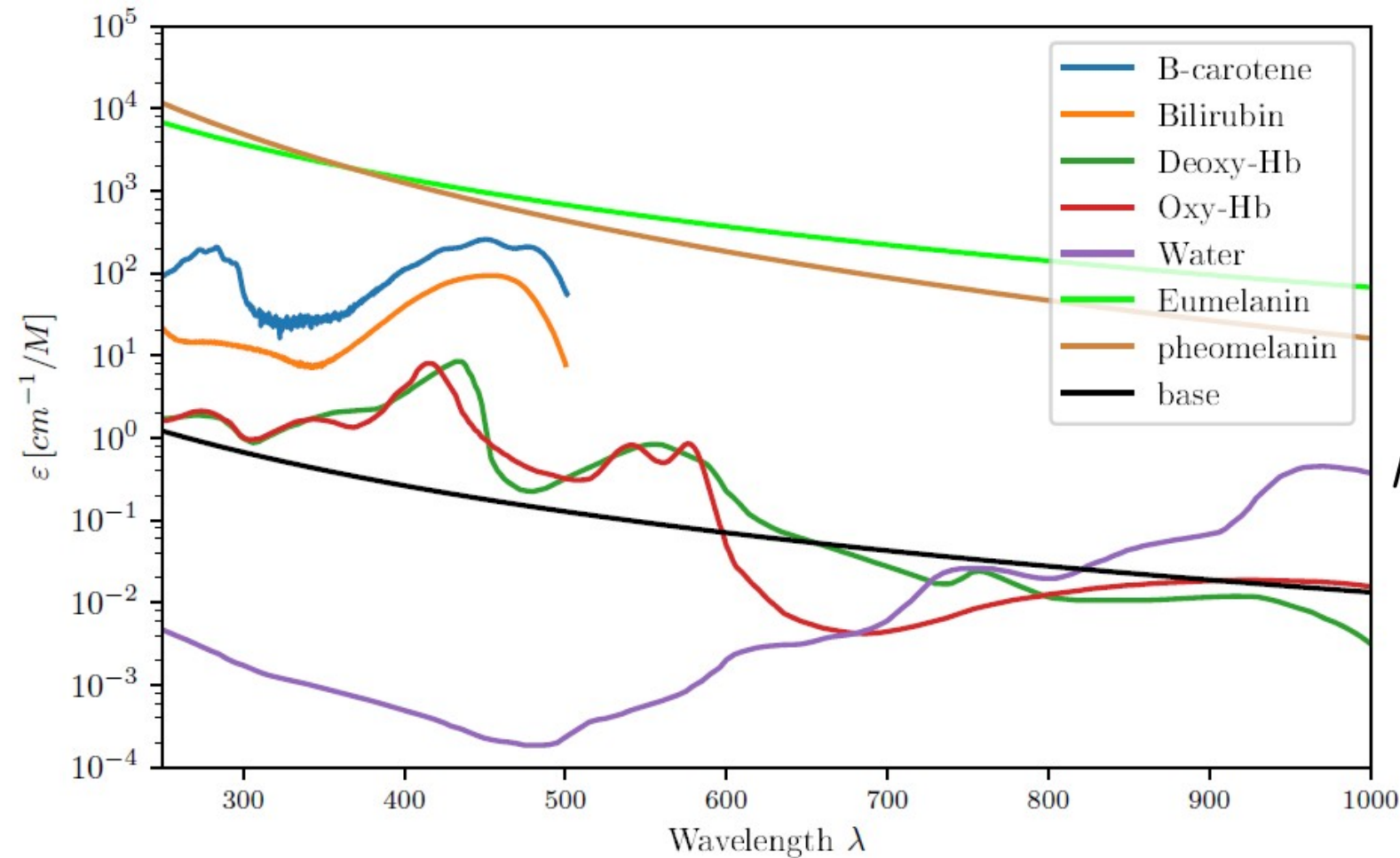


Voxel Model



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5 layer skin model

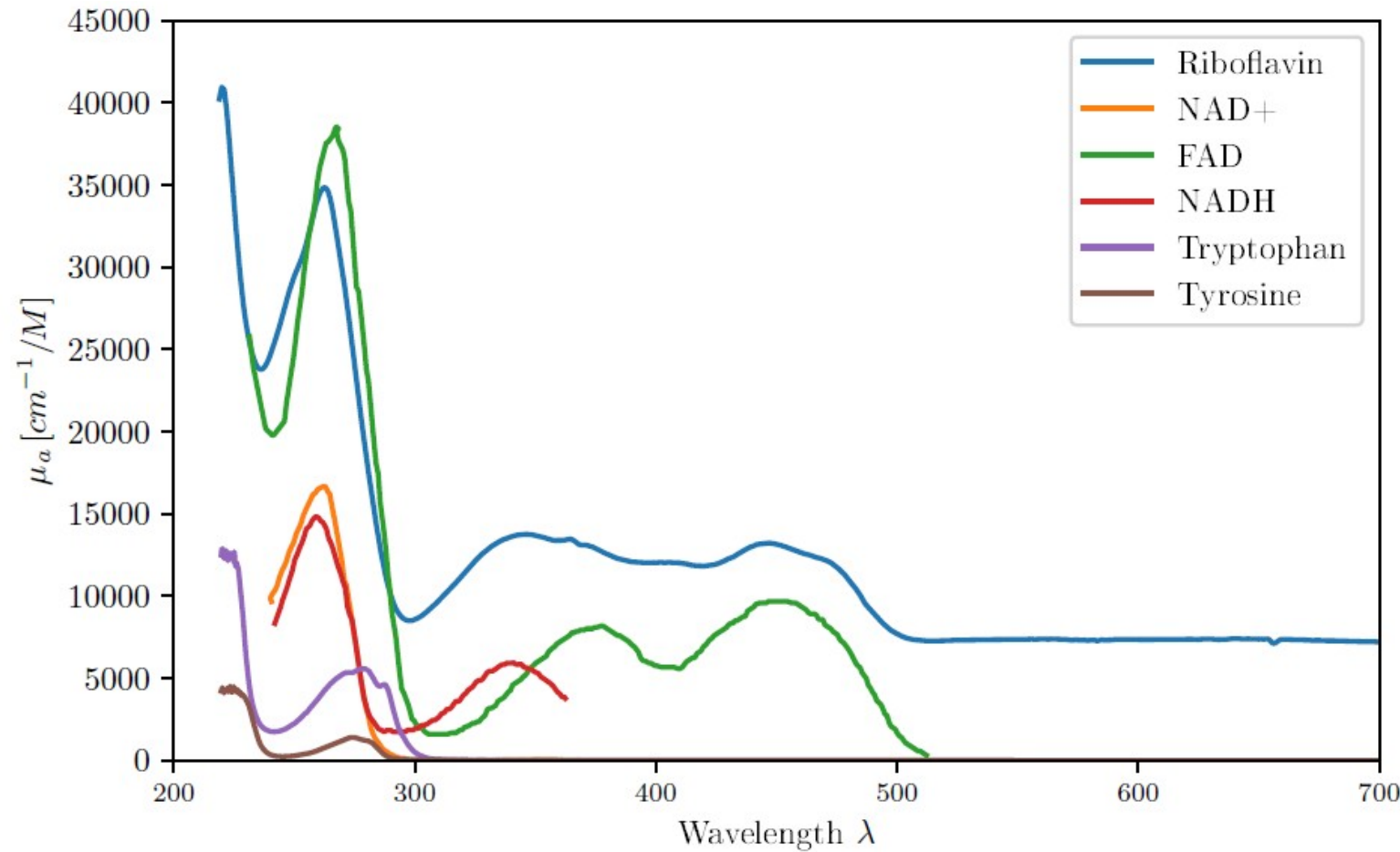


- 5 layer skin model
- Various absorbers:
Blood, Melanin,
Bilirubin, water, fat...

$$\mu_a^{layer} = 2.3 \sum_i C_i \epsilon_i + \sum_j f_{v.j} \mu_{a.j}$$

5 layer skin model

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- Various absorbers: Blood, Melanin, Bilirubin, water, fat...
- Various fluorophores: NADH, FAD, Riboflavin, Tyrosine...



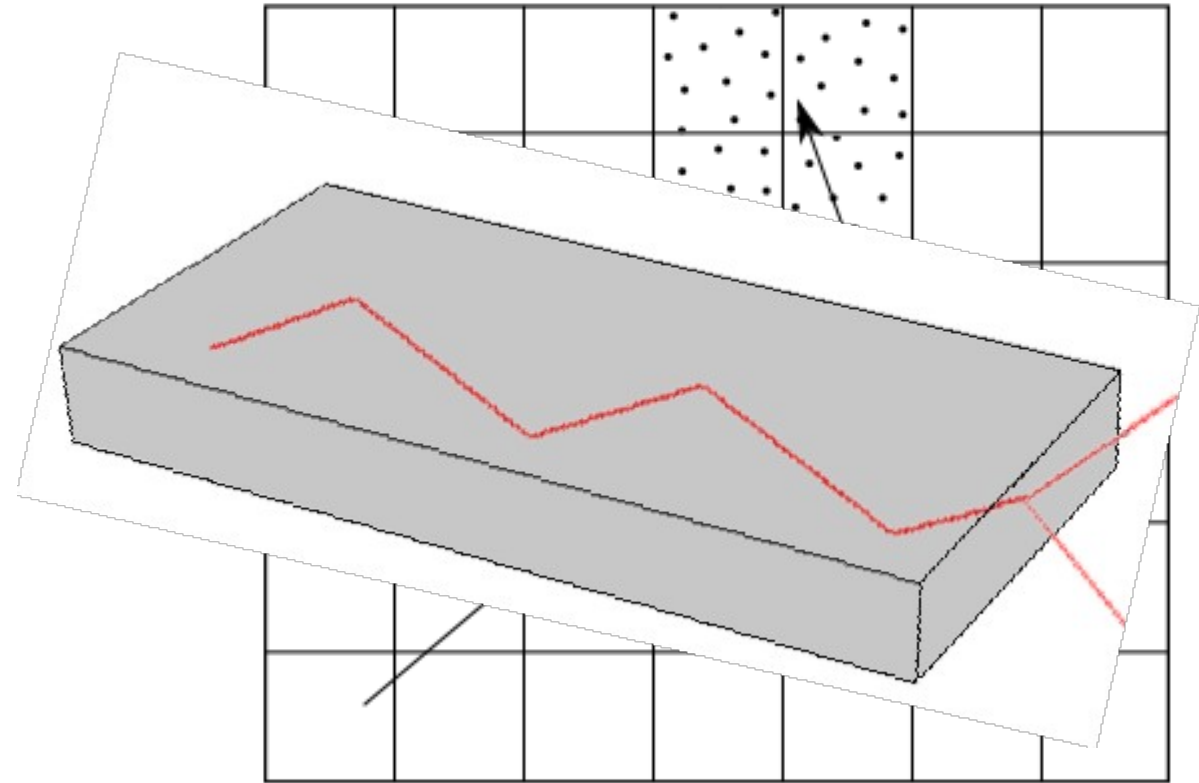
Fresnel Reflections/Refractions

- Model this at voxel boundaries

$$R_s = \left| \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_i - n_2 \cos \theta_t}{n_1 \cos \theta_i + n_2 \cos \theta_t} \right|^2$$

$$R_t = \left| \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_t - n_2 \cos \theta_i}{n_1 \cos \theta_t + n_2 \cos \theta_i} \right|^2$$

$$R = \frac{1}{2}(R_s + R_p)$$



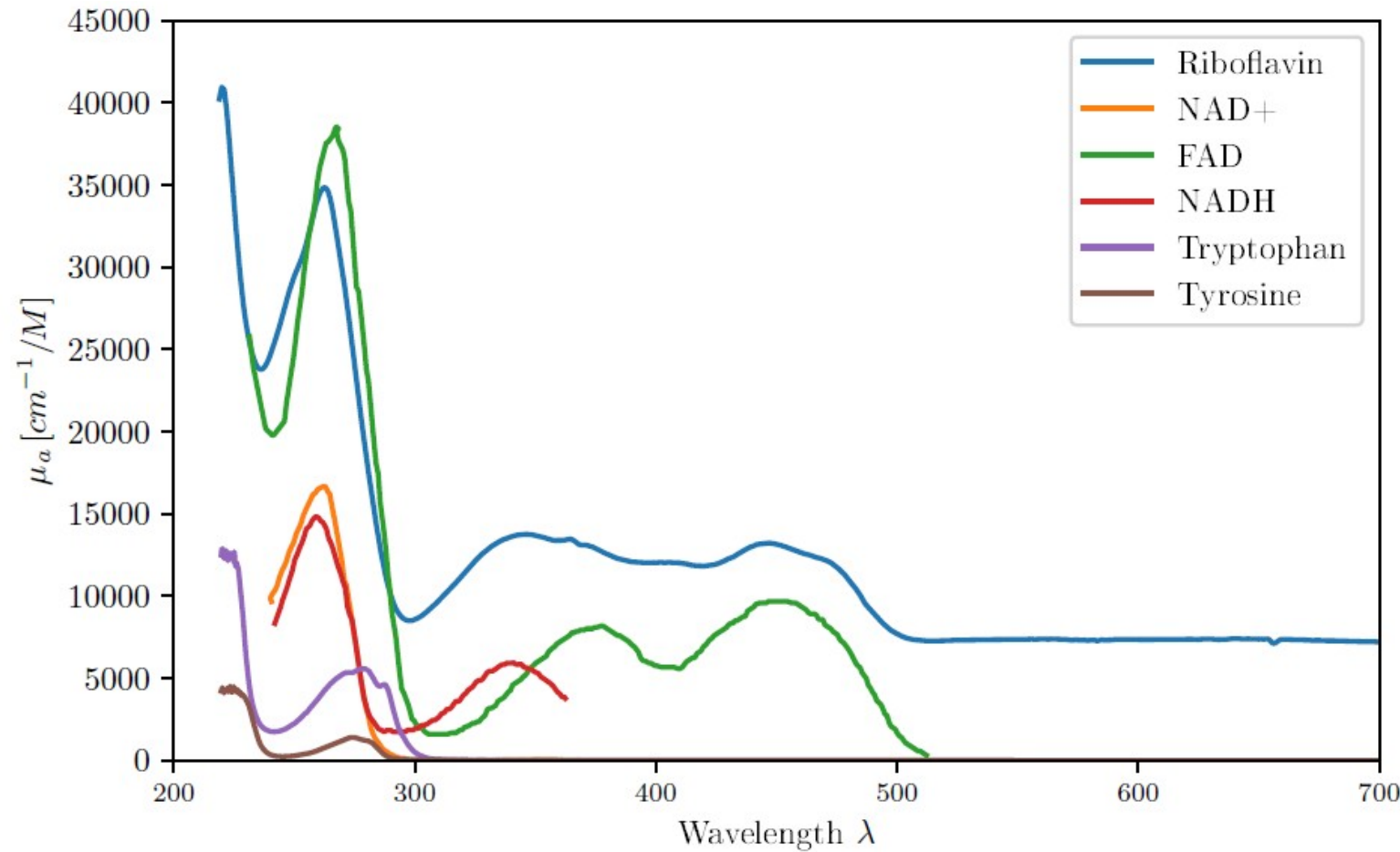
Motivation

- Cardiovascular disease one of the largest causes of death
- Traditional factors do not fully explain incidence of disease
- Research towards novel biomarkers

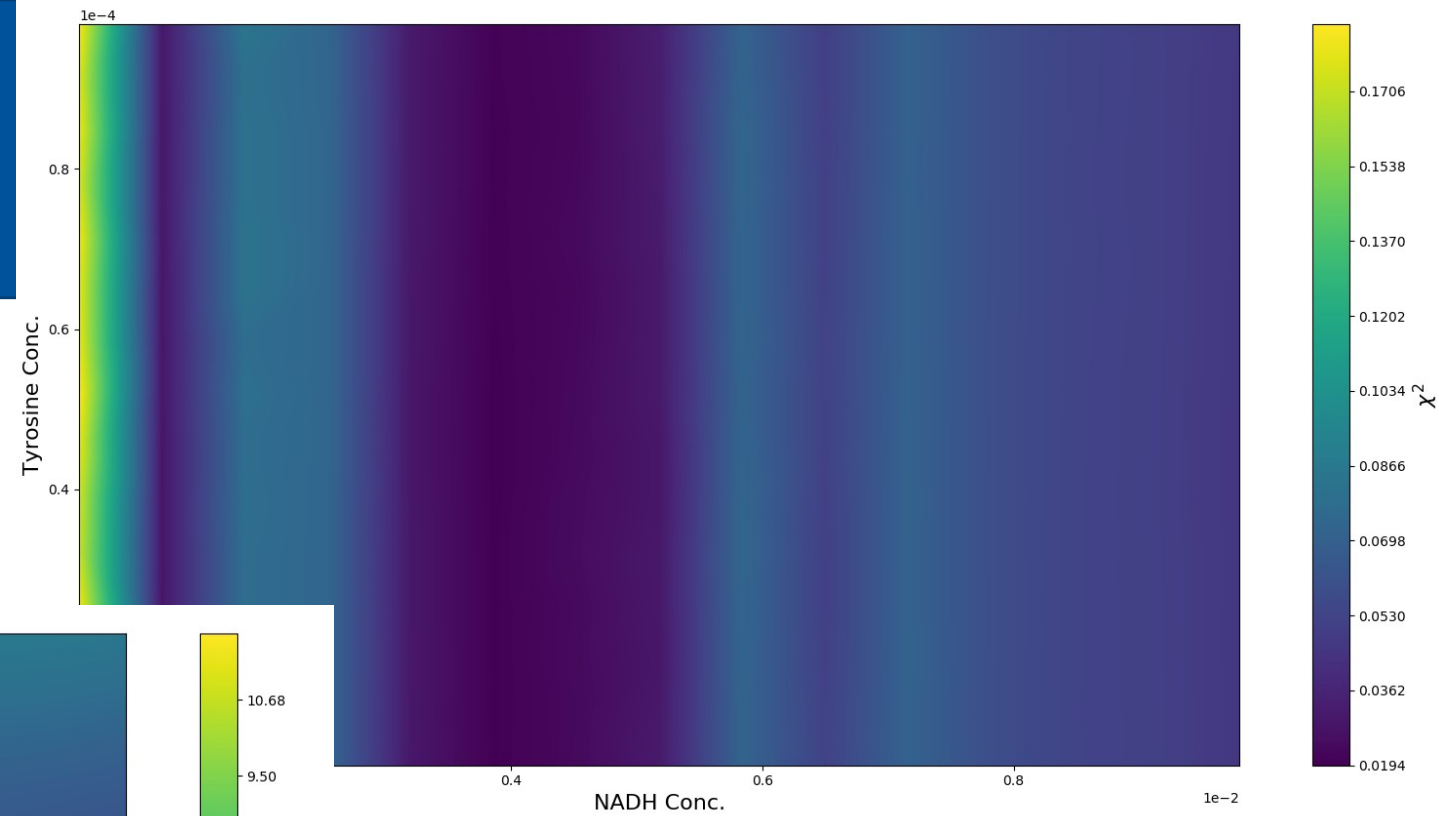
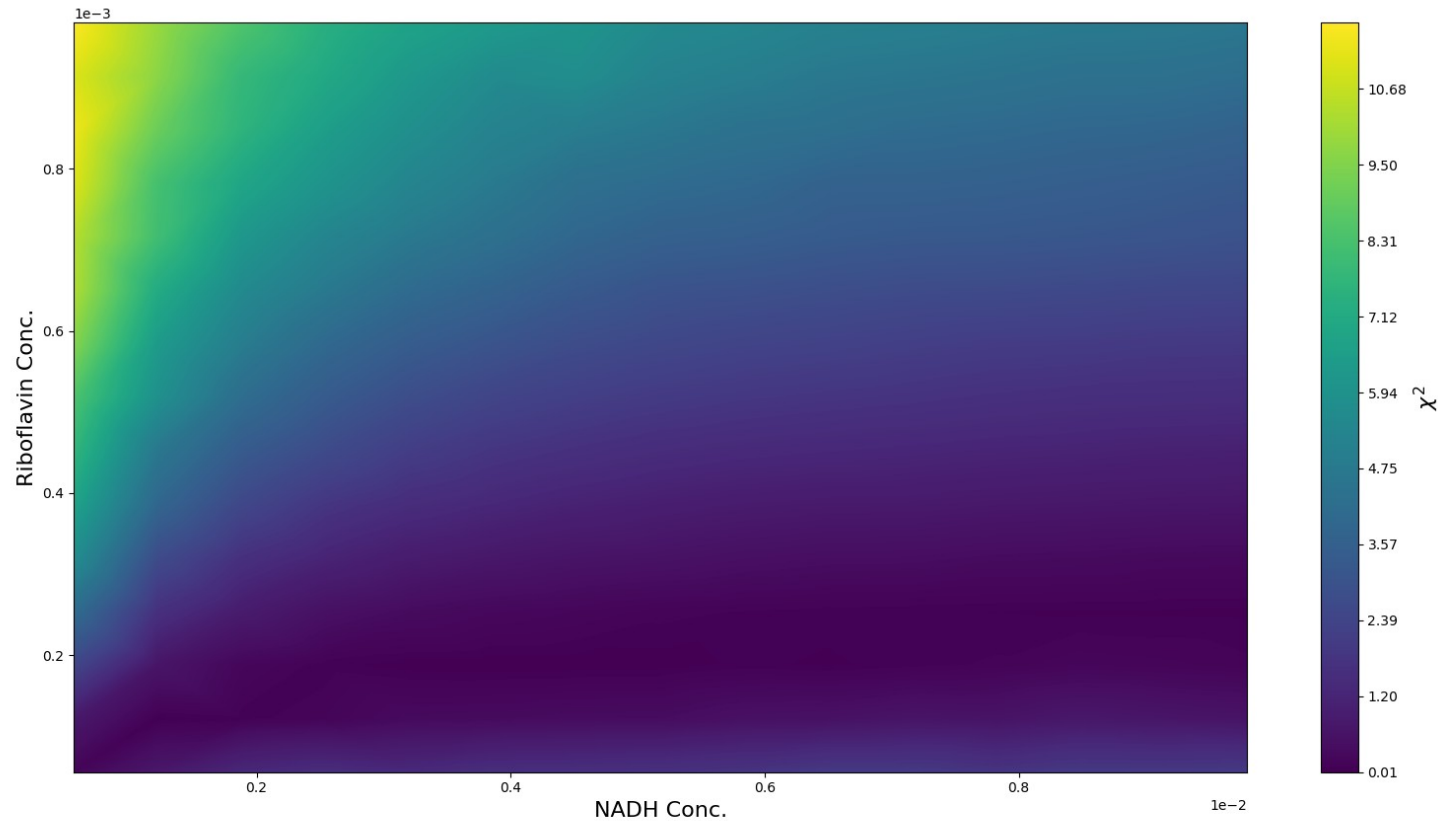


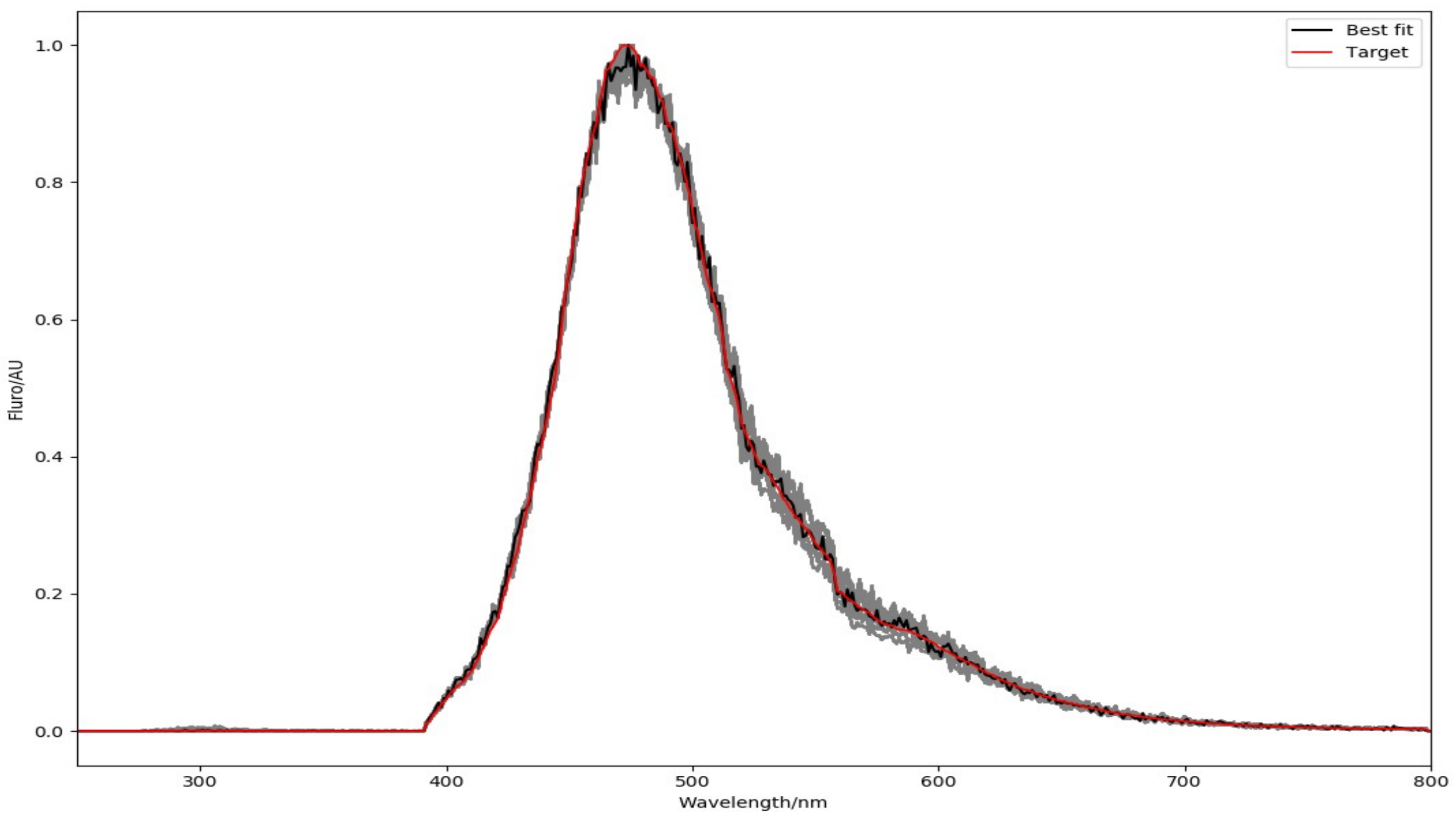
Autofluorescence

- No literature values for concentration of fluorophores

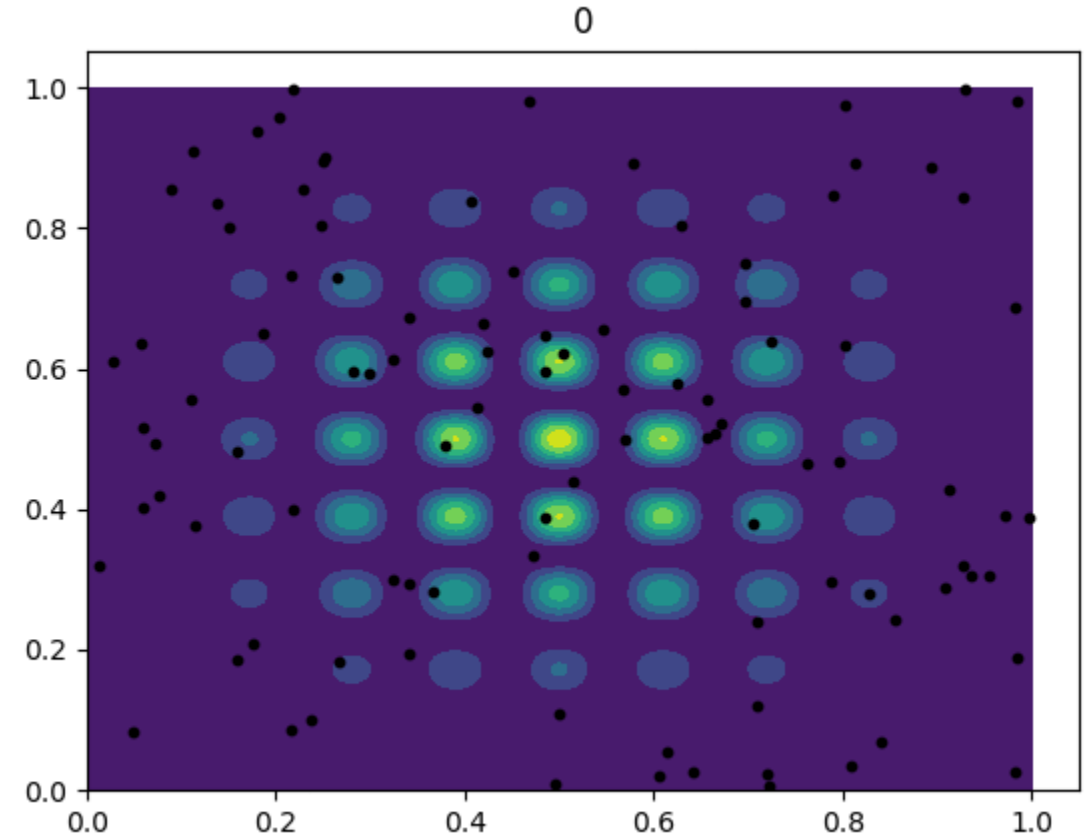
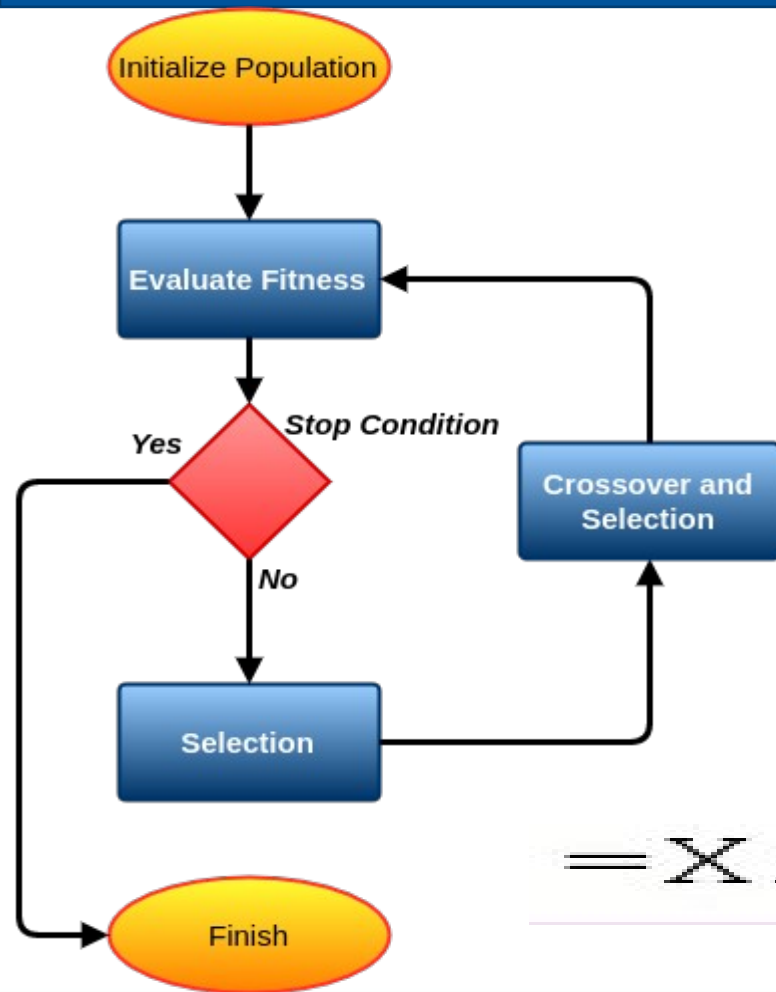


Autofluorescence





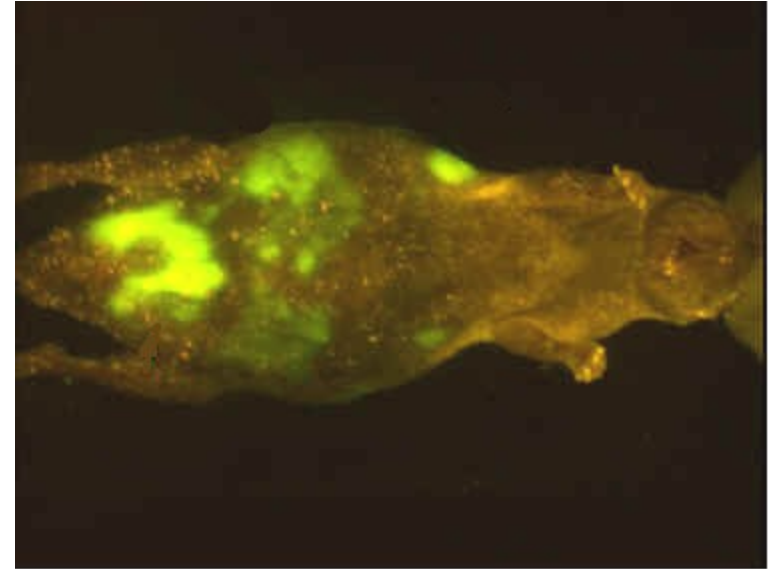
Genetic Algorithms



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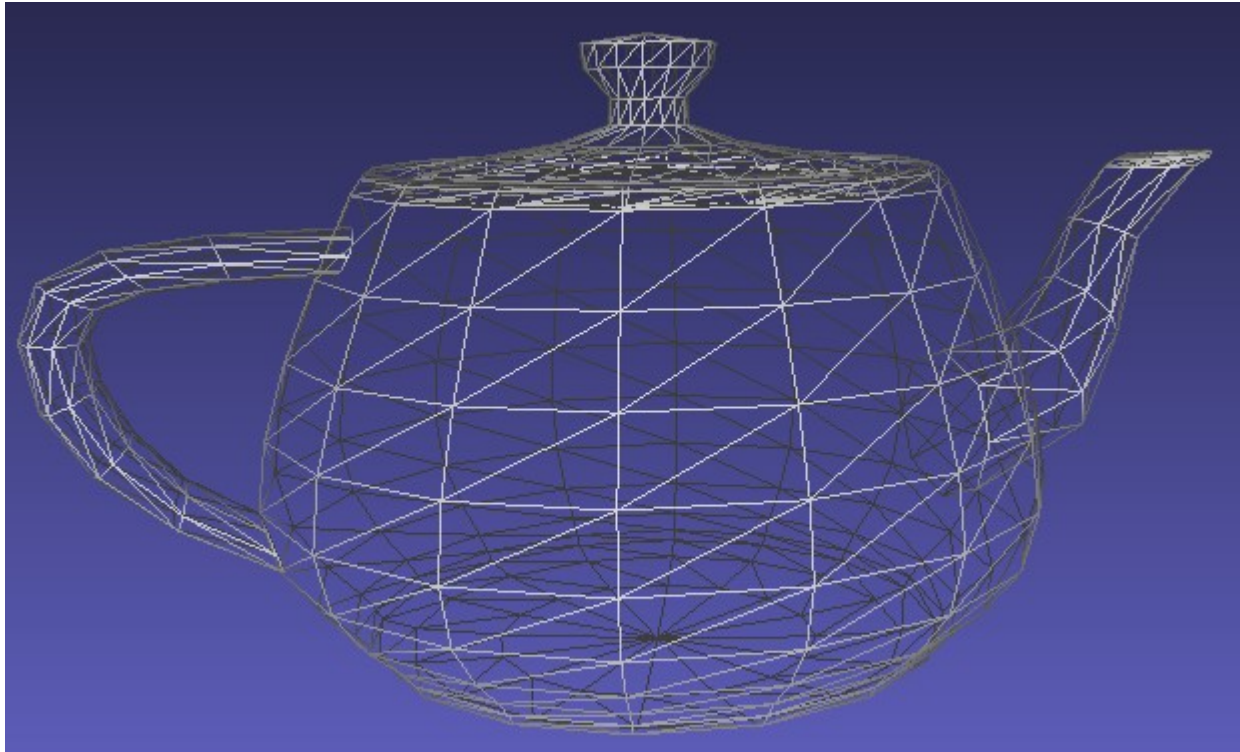
Genetic Algorithms

- Determine depth of fluorescence
- Use GA + experimental images
- Tumor location, diseased organs...

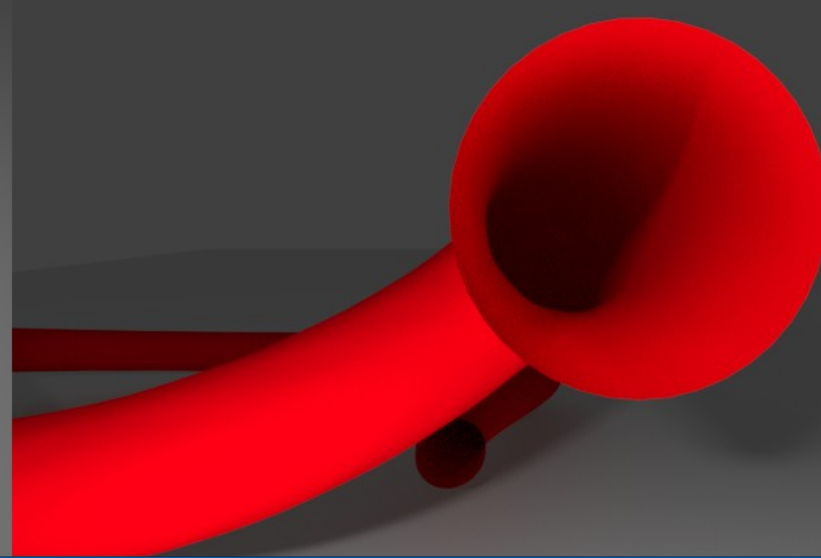
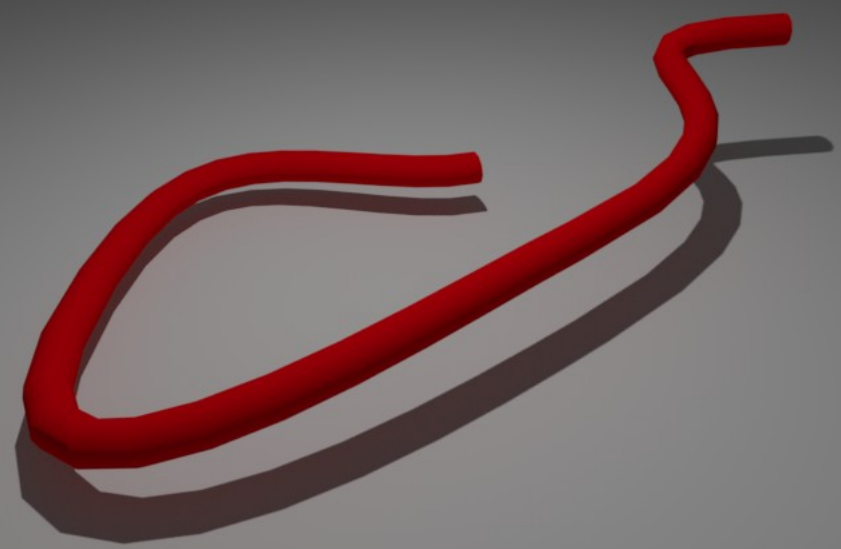
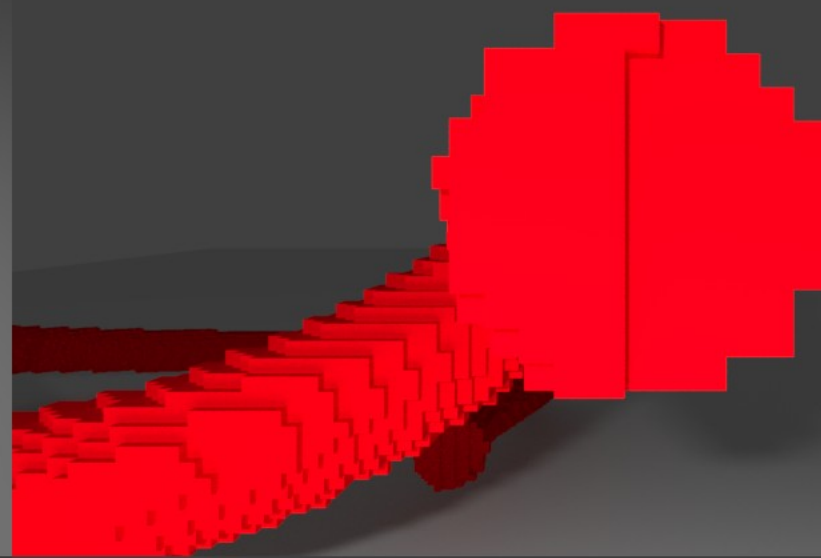
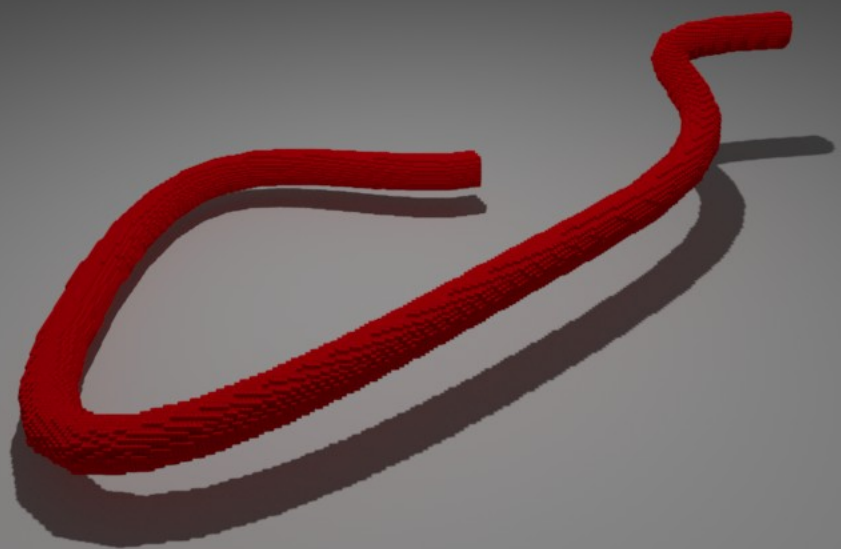


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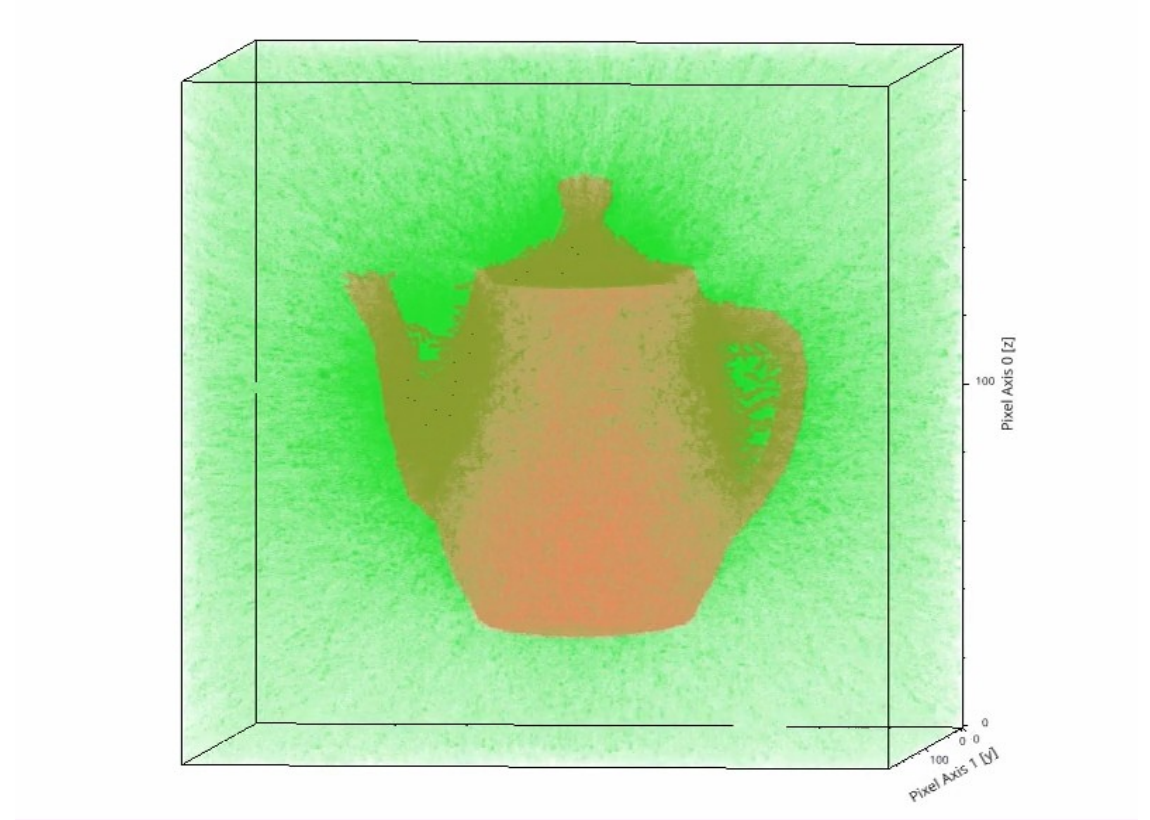
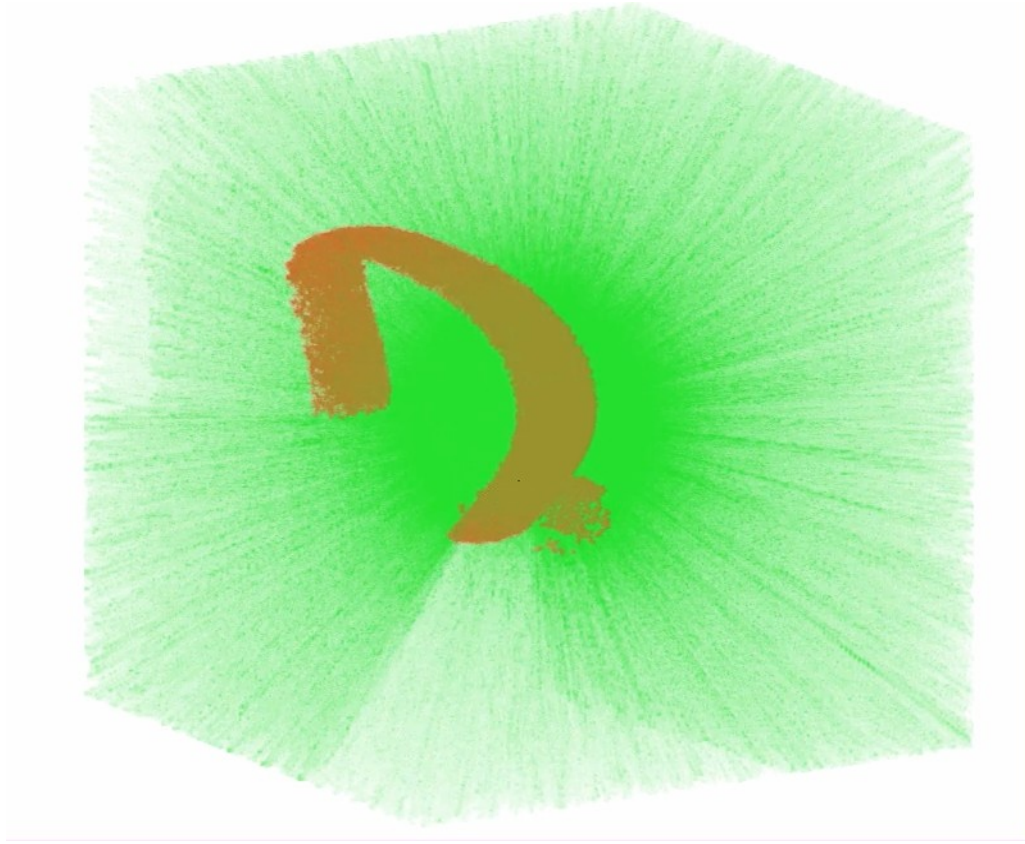
Mesh based Monte Carlo



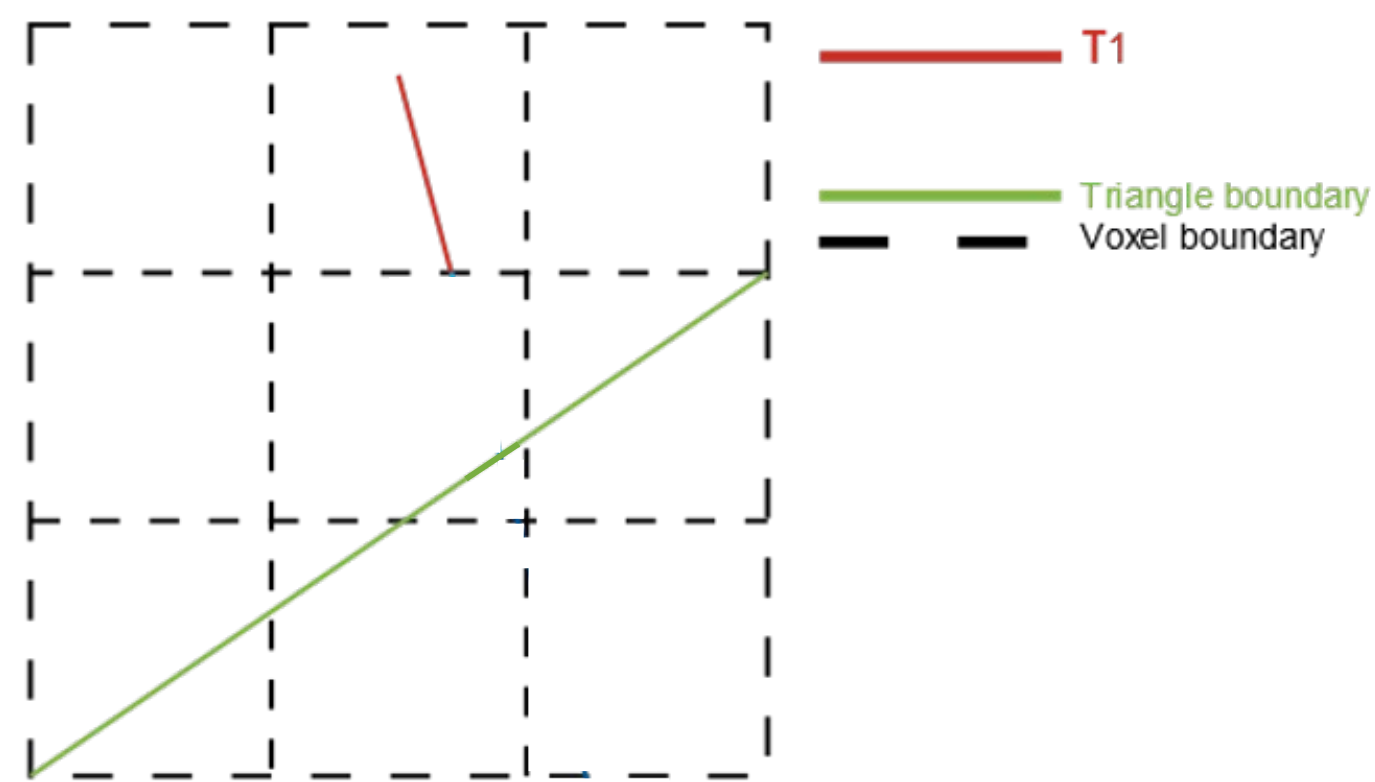
- Triangular meshes
- Can form smooth surfaces with enough triangles
- Used in Movie and video game industries



Mesh based Monte Carlo

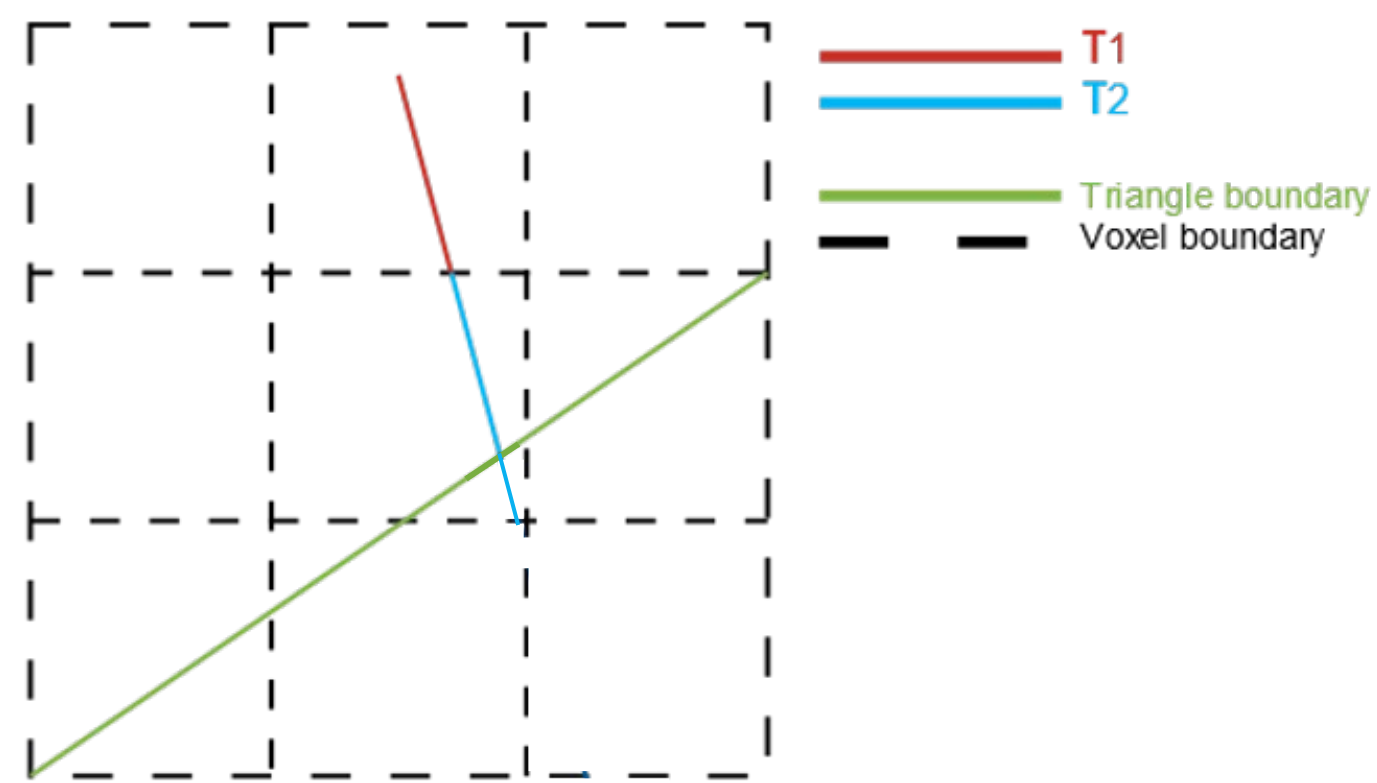


Mesh based Monte Carlo



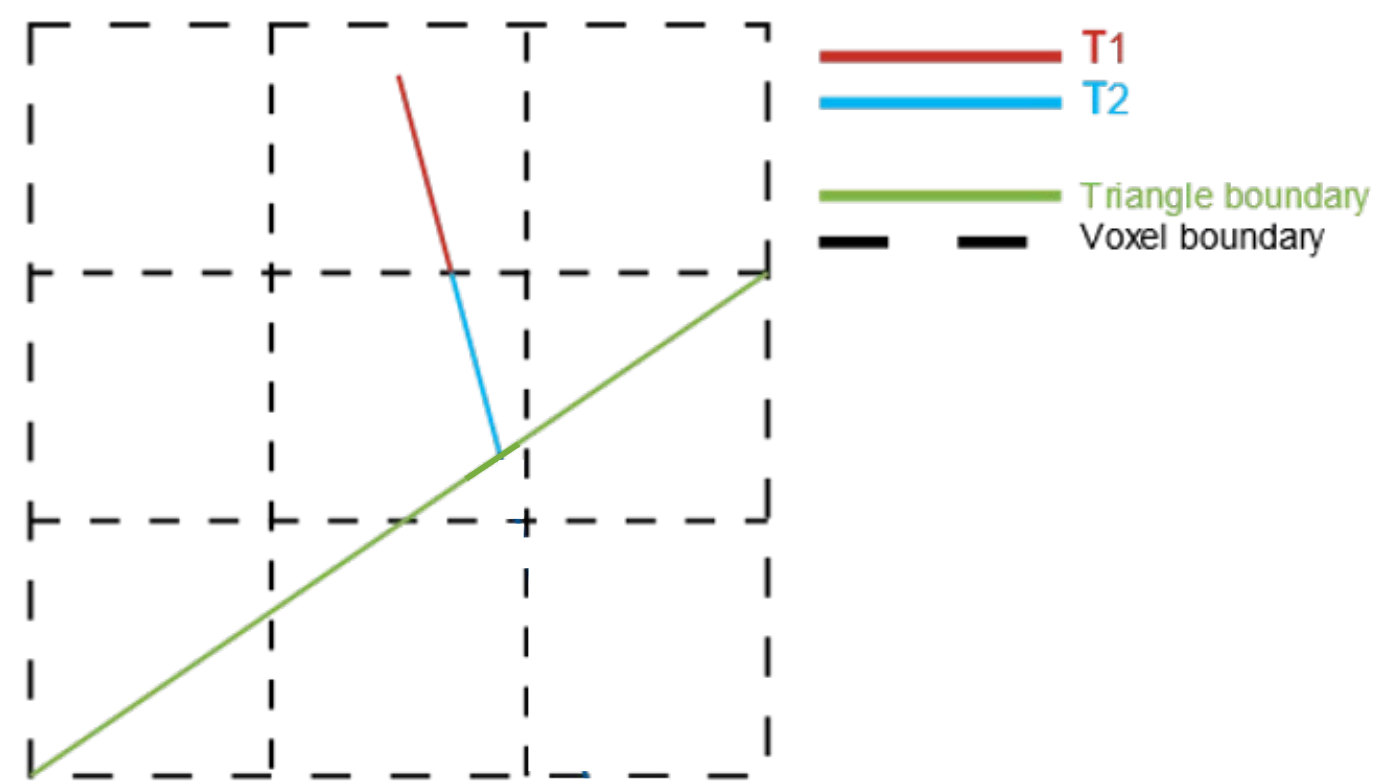
- Photon propagates in (n_x, n_y, n_z) direction
- In voxel model calculate distance to edge of current voxel
- In triangular mesh calculate T_{triangle} distance to triangle

Mesh based Monte Carlo



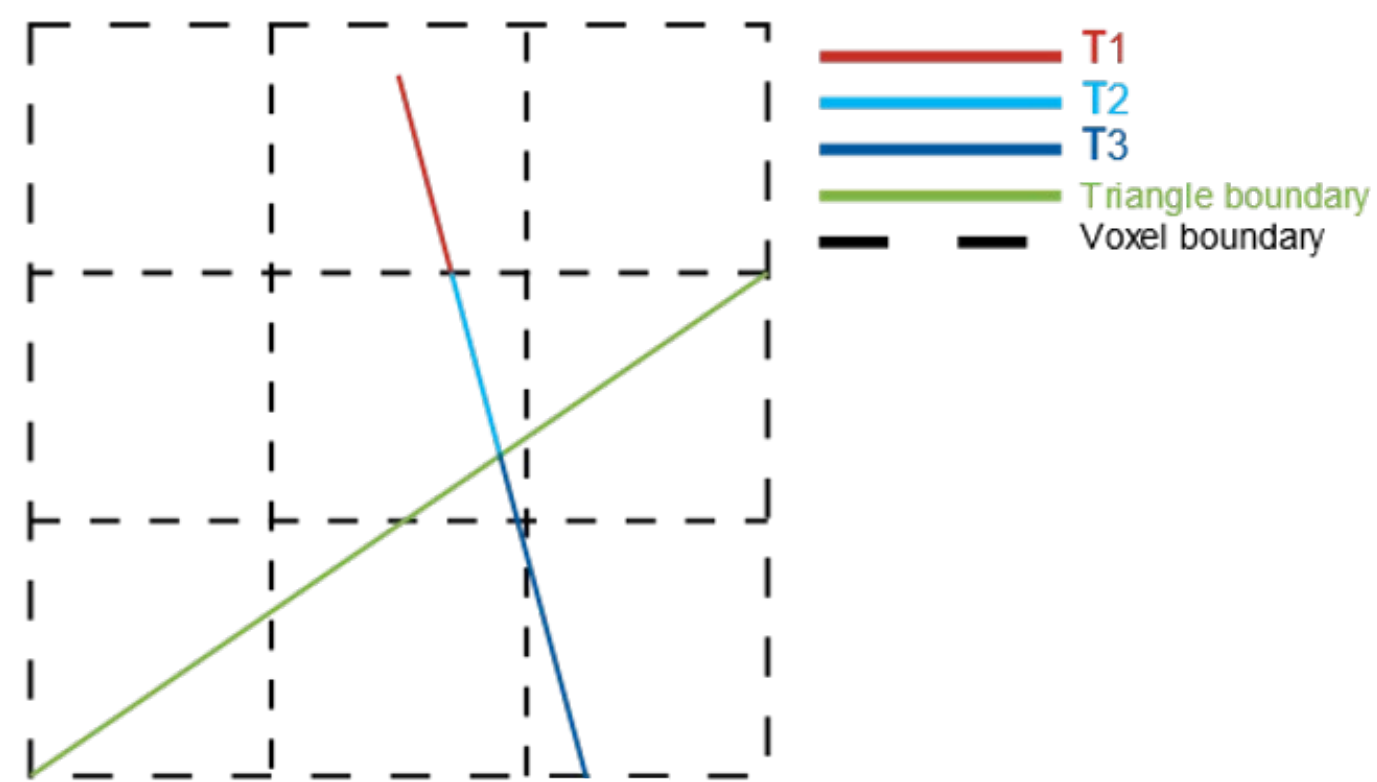
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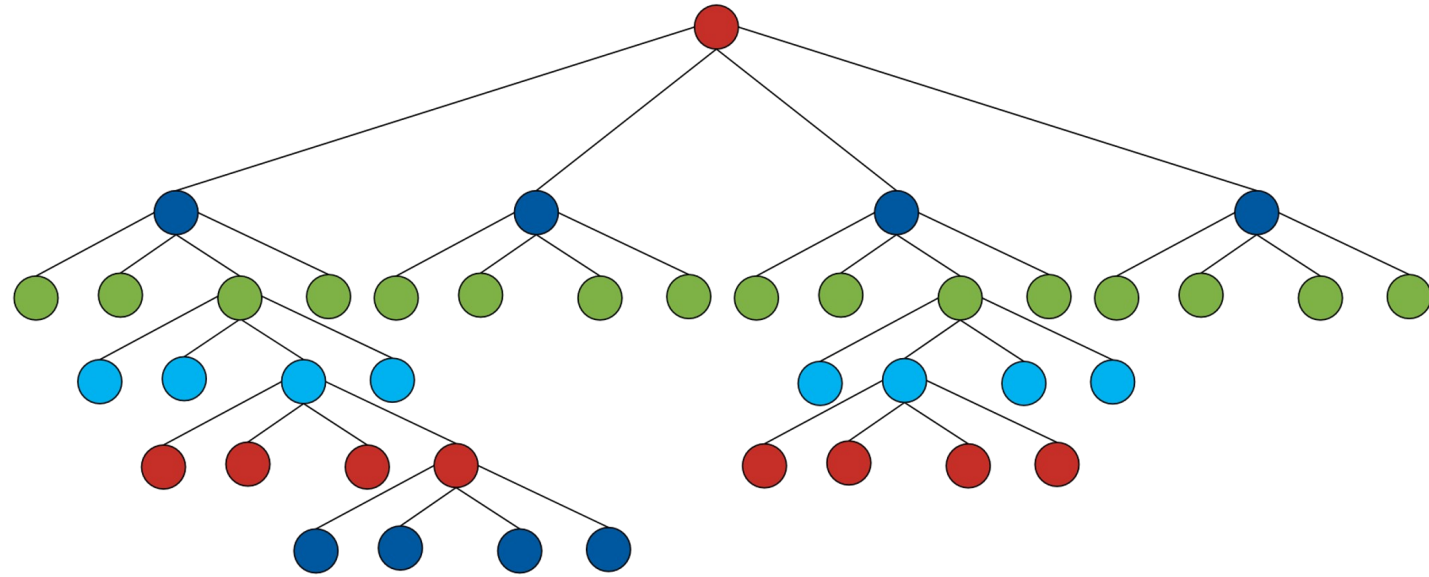
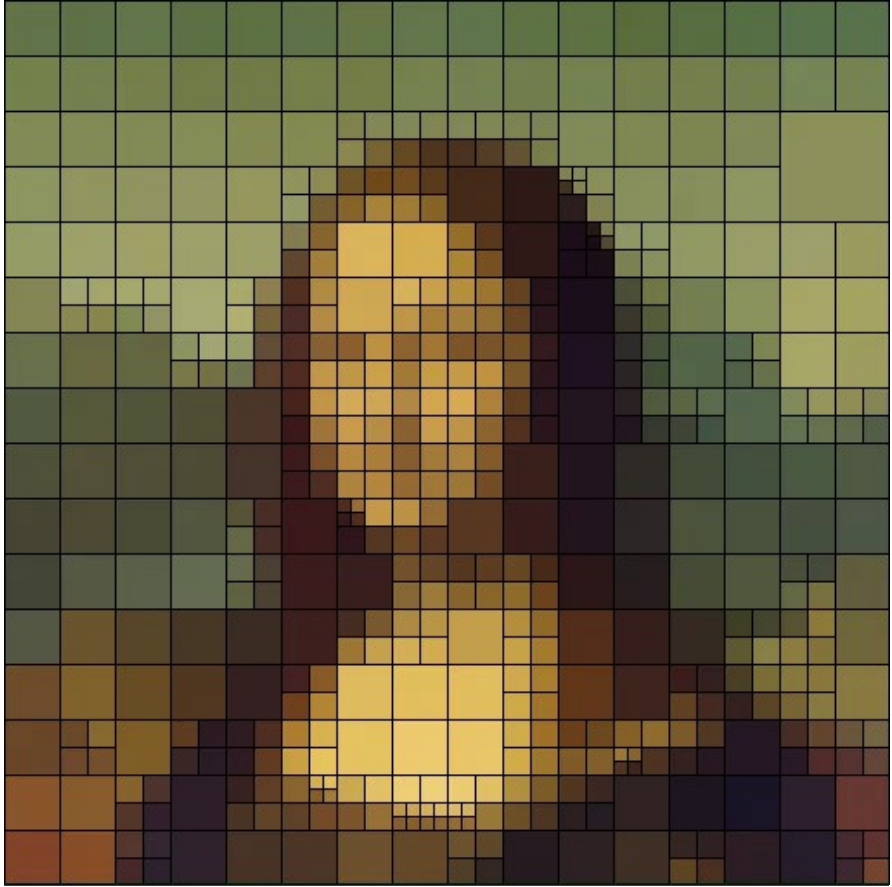


- If $t_1 + t_2 > t_{\text{triangle}}$ then hits triangle else continues as normal
- Hits triangle, change optical properties continue...

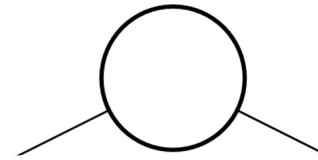
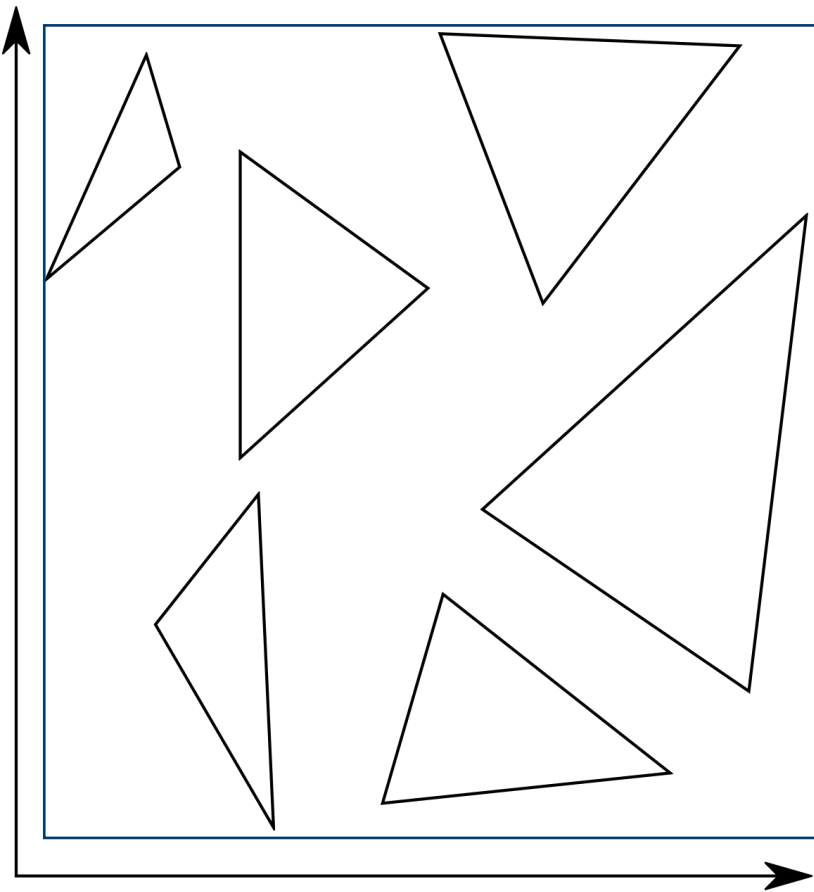
Adaptive meshes



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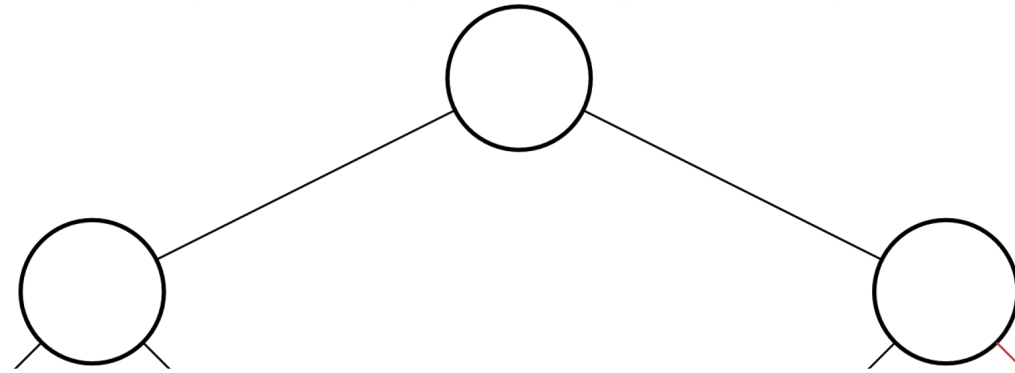
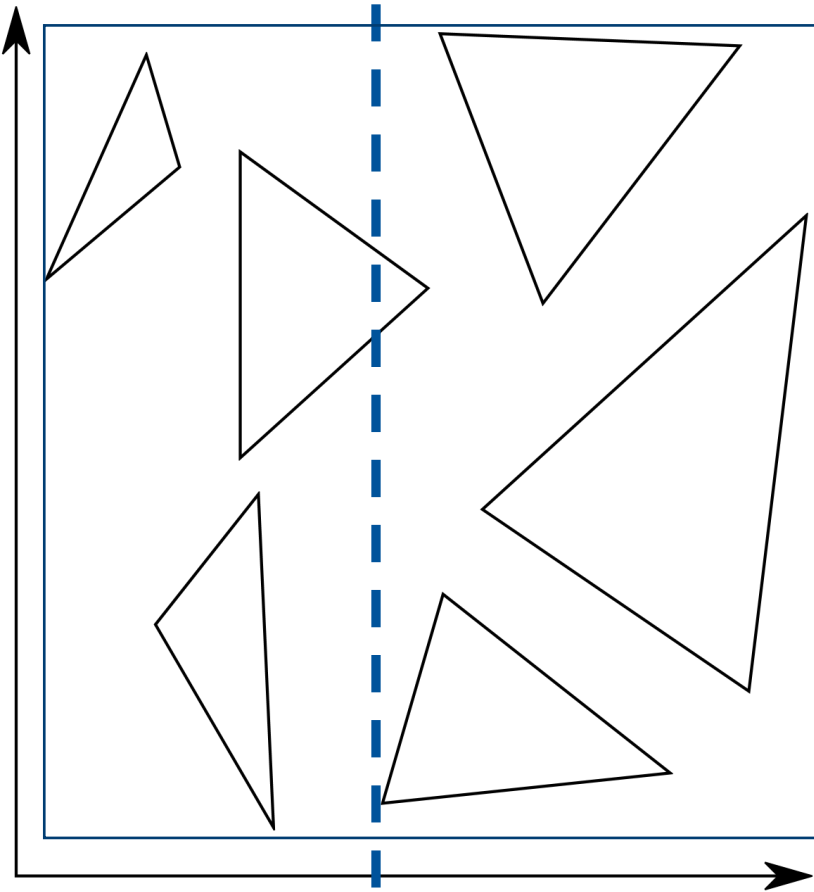


Mesh based Monte Carlo



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axis x

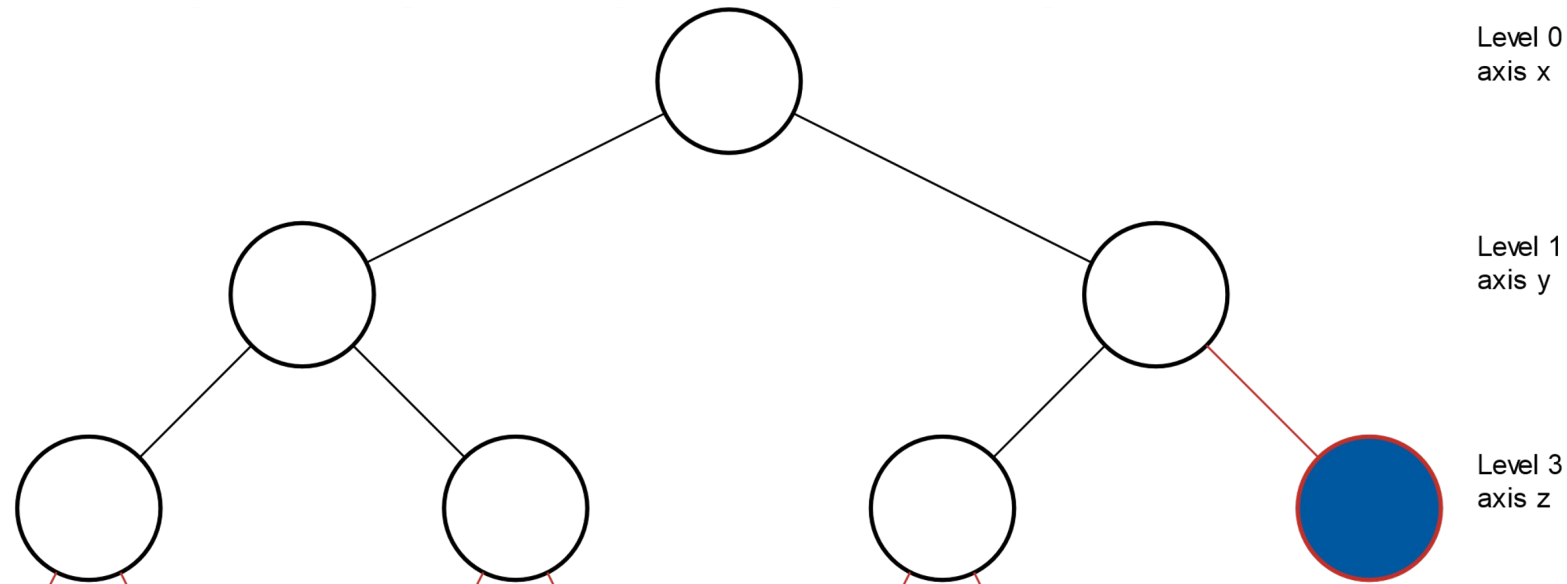
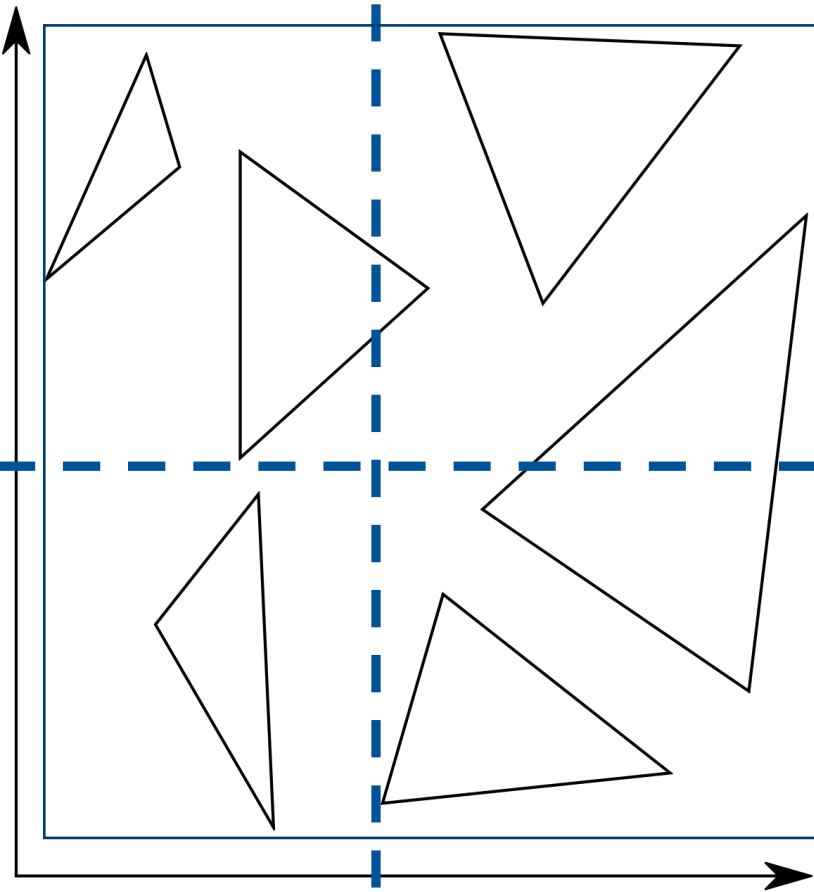
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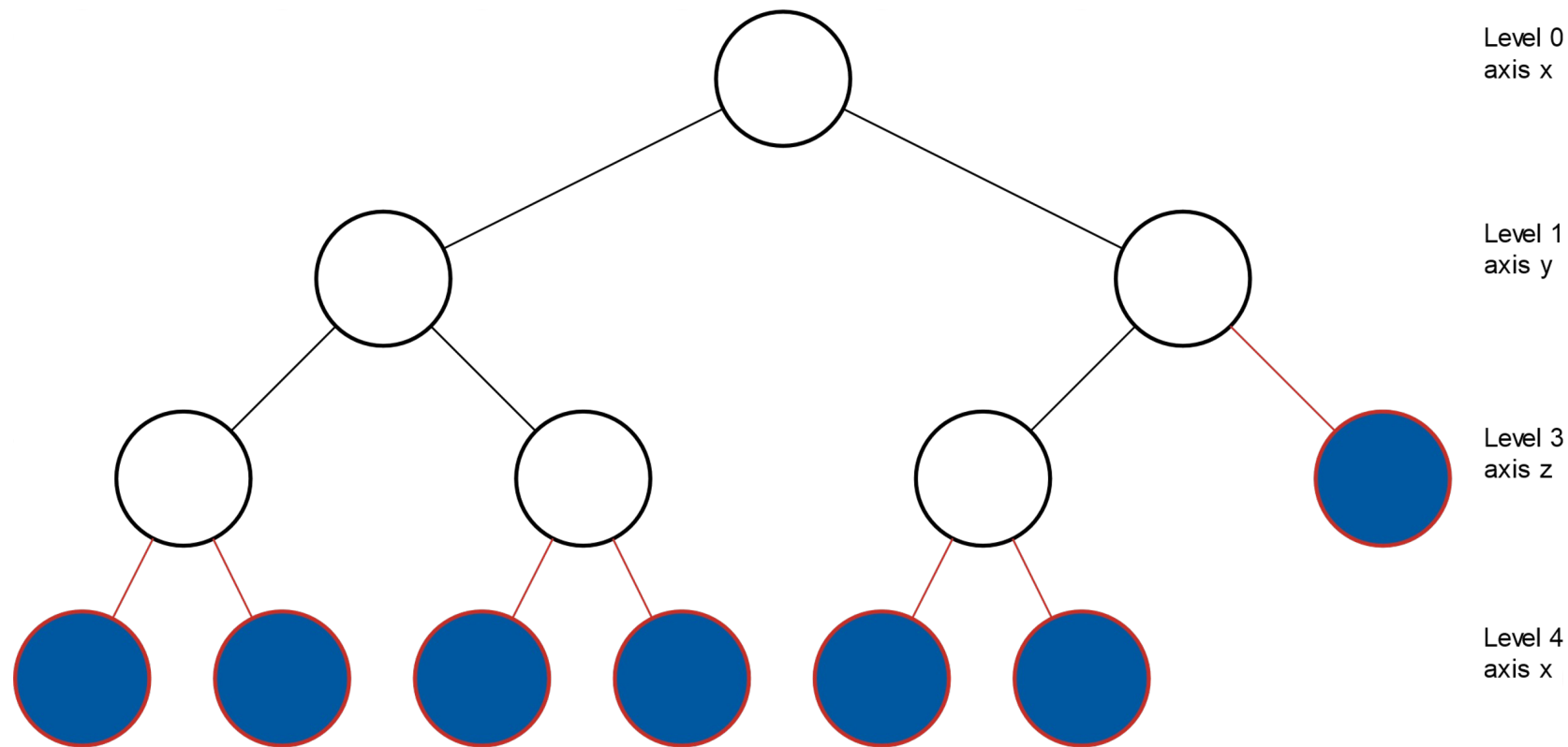
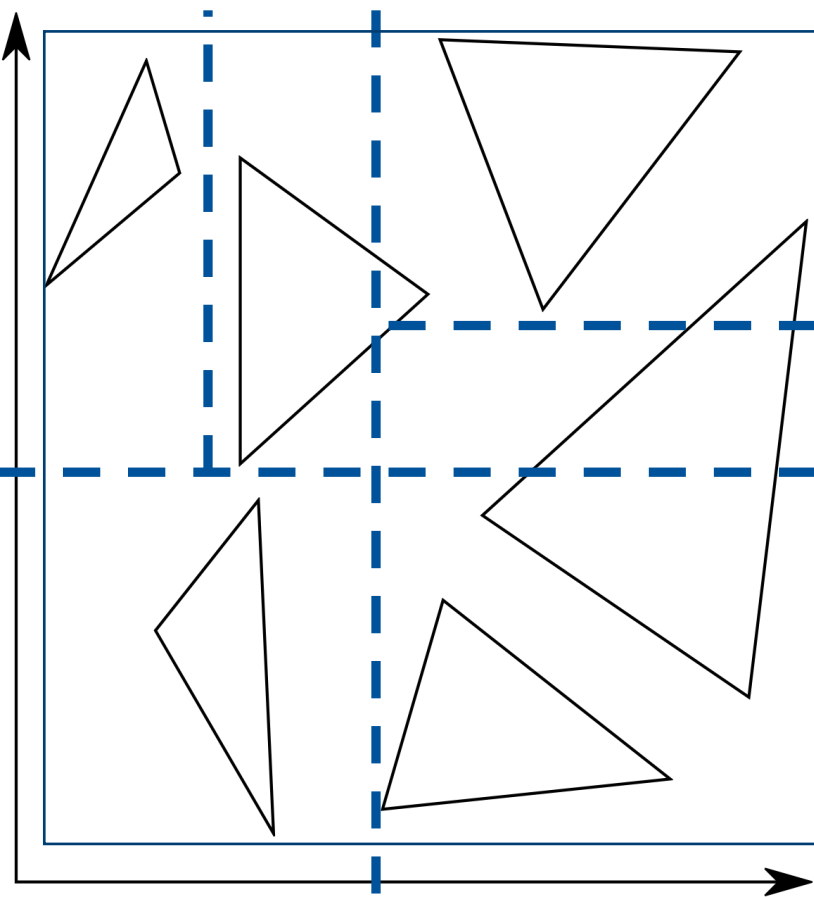
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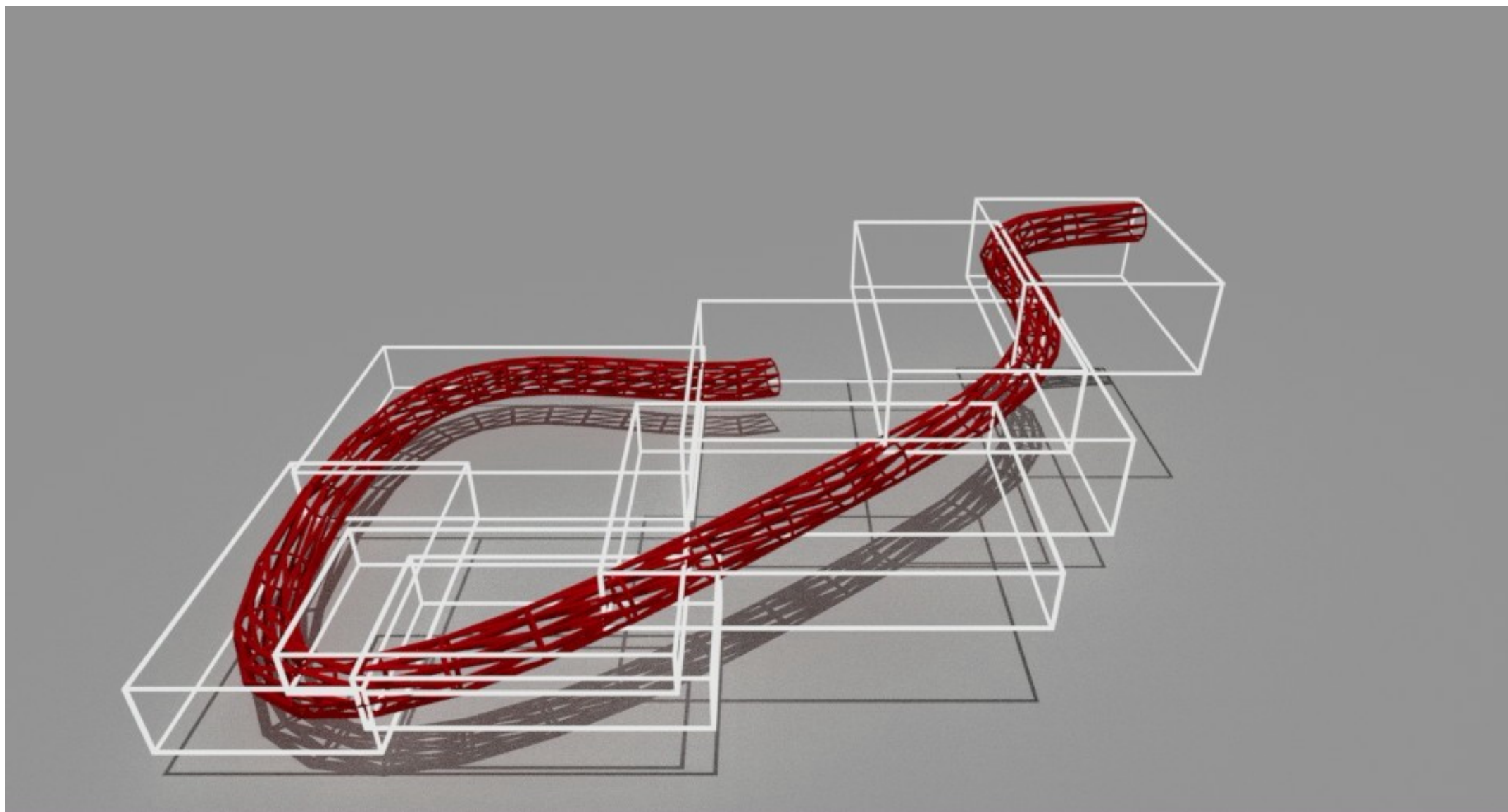
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axis y

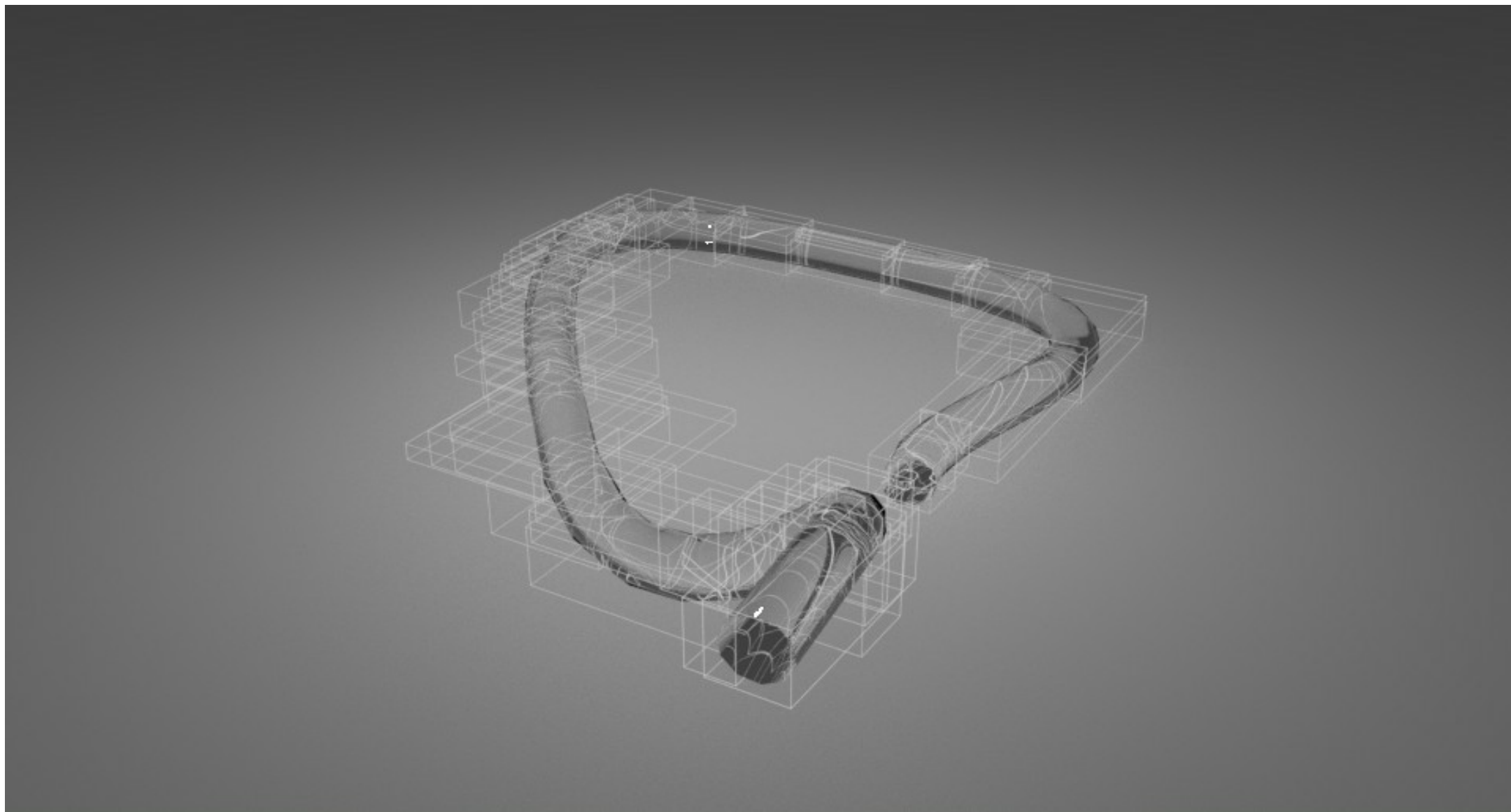
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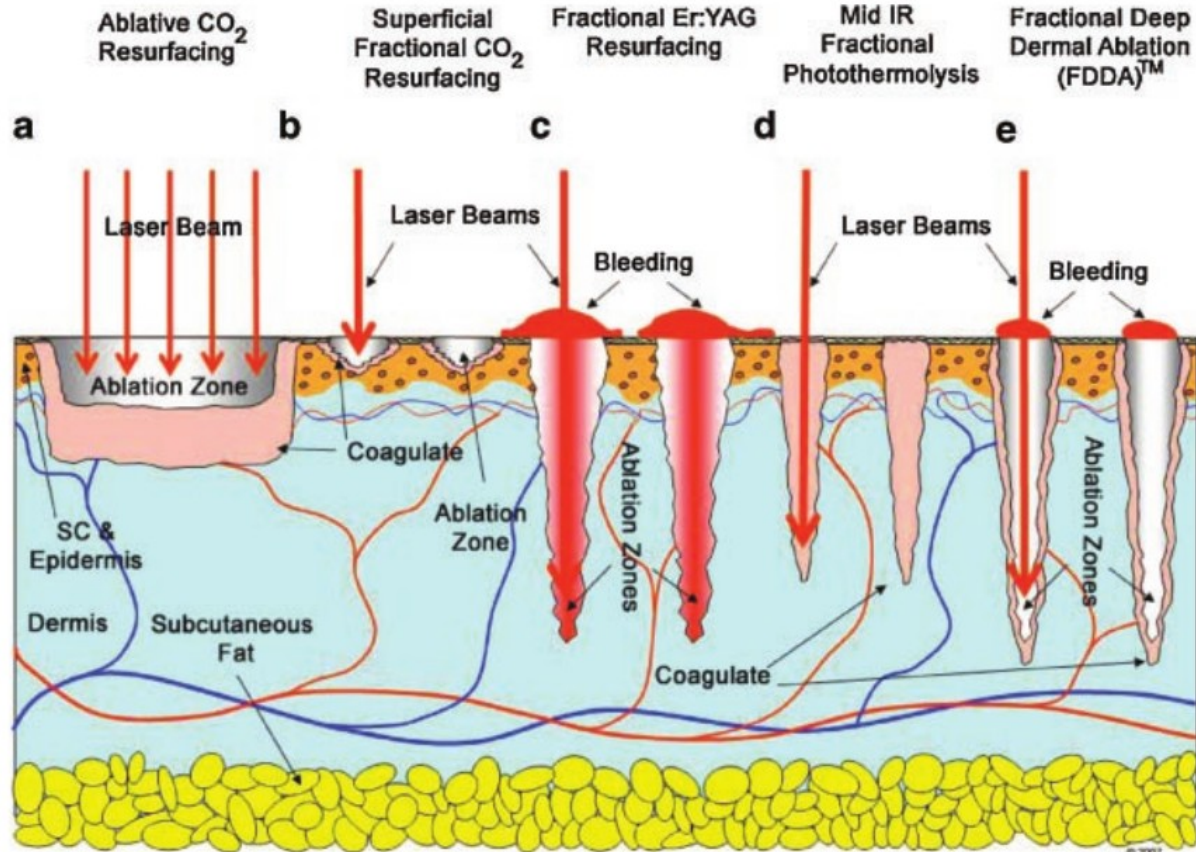
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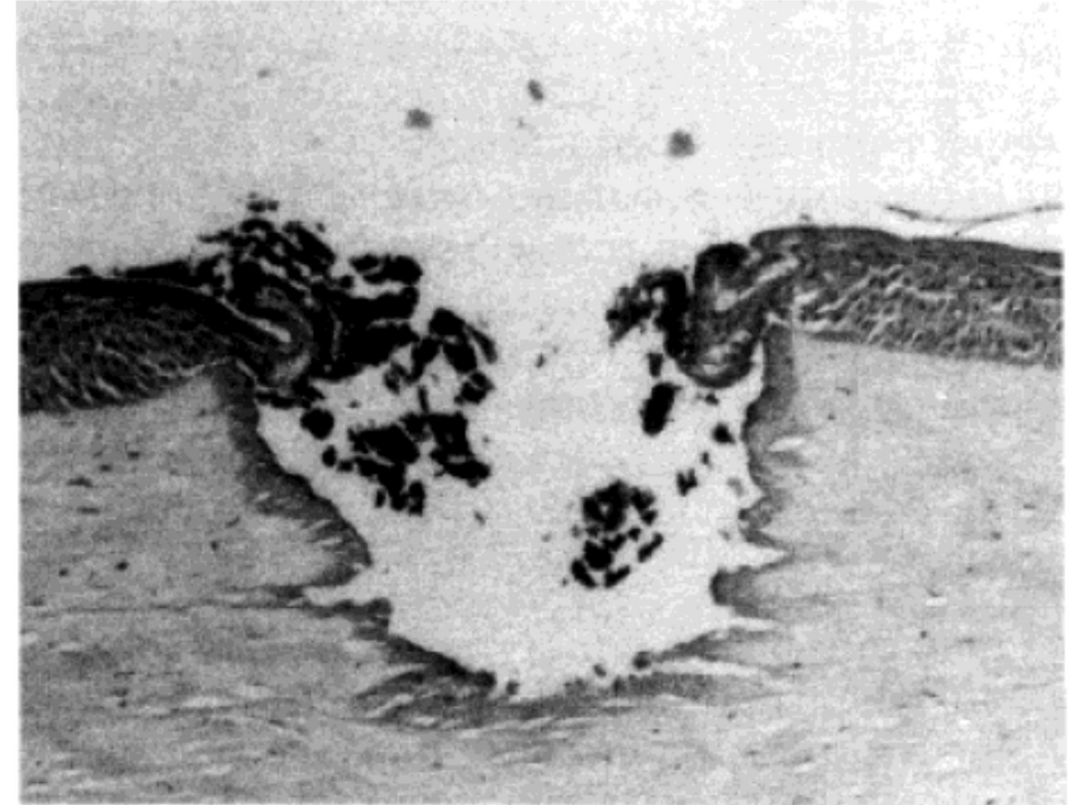




Tissue Ablation



Rahman *et al.* *Lasers in surgery* (2009)



J. Cummings *et al.* *Applied Optics* (1993)

Tissue Ablation



V. Maden, ukdermatologist.co.uk

Before

After



Tissue Ablation

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \alpha \nabla^2 u + S$$

$$S = \underbrace{-hA(T_{\infty} - T)}_{\text{Convective Source}} - \underbrace{\sigma \varepsilon A(T_{\infty}^4 - T^4)}_{\text{Radiative}} + \underbrace{\dot{q}}_{\text{Laser Heat}}$$

Tissue Ablation

$$U_x = r_x(T_{i-1,j,k}^n - 2T_{i,j,k}^n + T_{i+1,j,k}^n)$$

$$U_y = r_y(T_{i,j-1,k}^n - 2T_{i,j,k}^n + T_{i,j+1,k}^n)$$

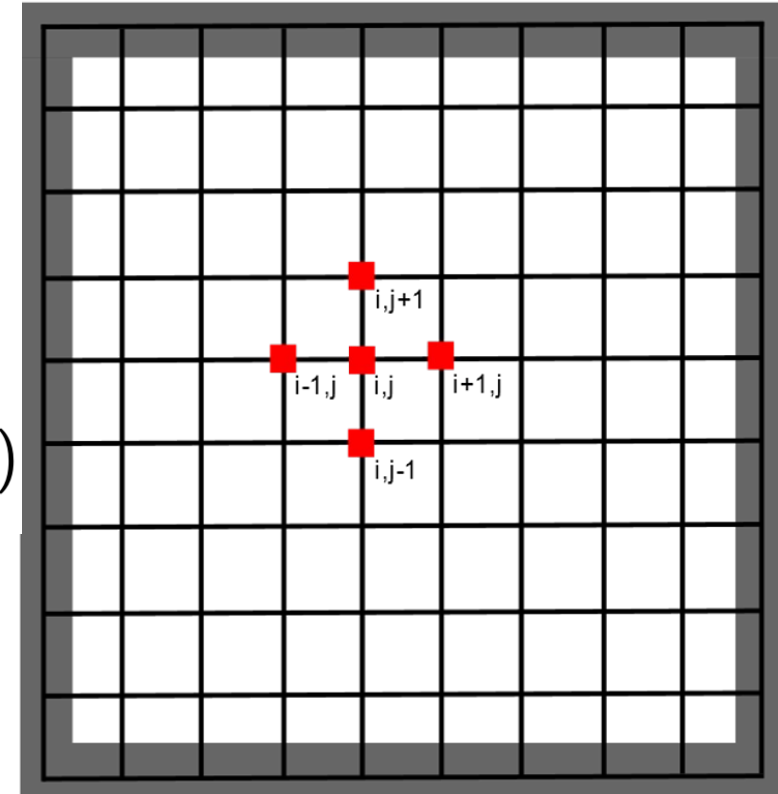
$$U_z = r_z(T_{i,j,k-1}^n - 2T_{i,j,k}^n + T_{i,j,k+1}^n)$$

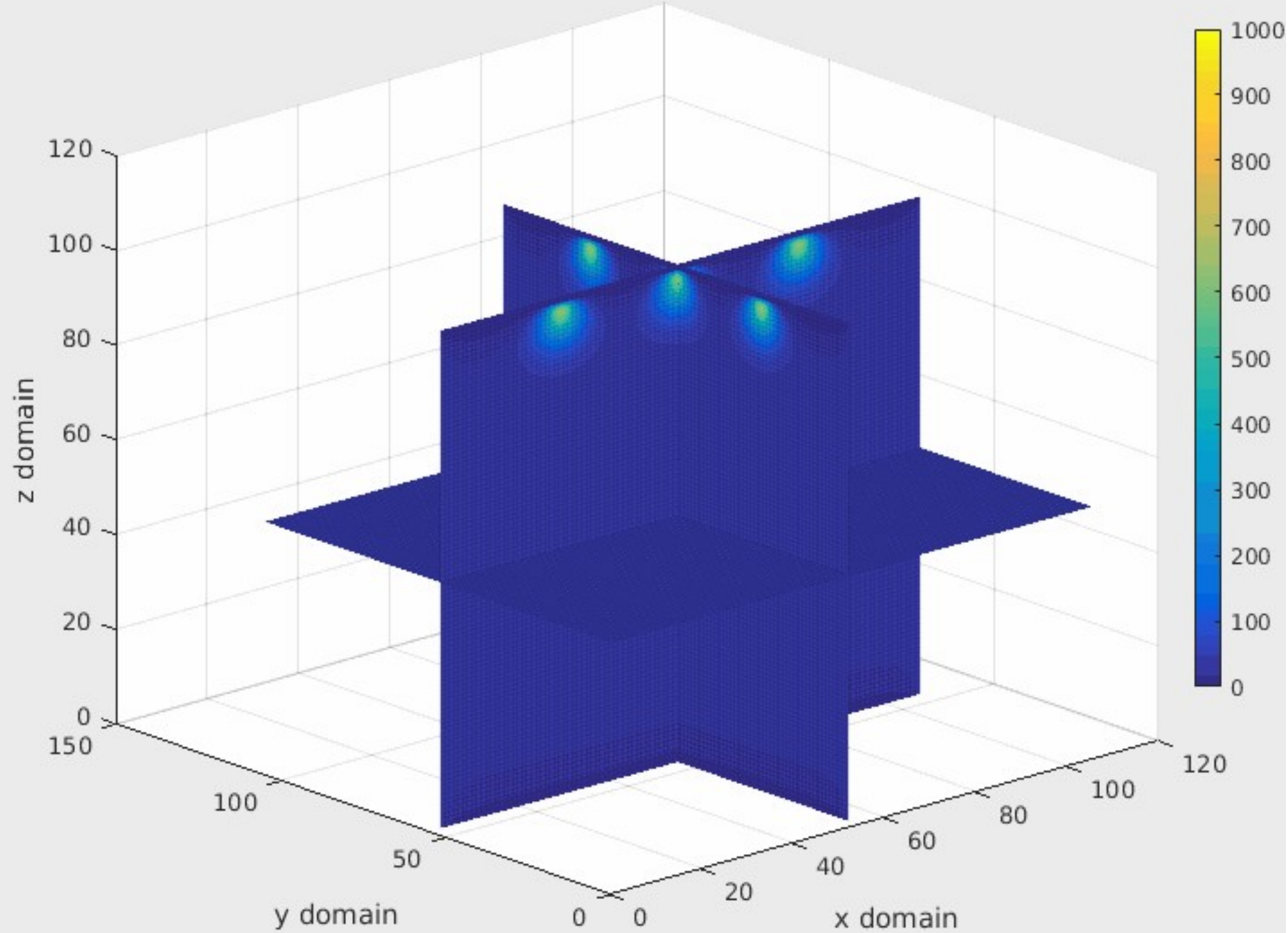
$$T_{i,j,k}^{n+1} = T_{i,j,k}^n + U_x + U_y + U_z$$

$$T_{i,j,0}^{n+1} = U_x|_{k=0} + U_y|_{k=0} + r_z(2T_{i,j,1}^n + 2\gamma - 2\beta T_{i,j,0}^n + \eta(T_\infty^4 - T_{i,j,0}^4))$$

$$\gamma = \frac{\Delta_x h}{\kappa} t_\infty \quad \eta = \sigma \varepsilon A \beta$$

$$\beta = 1 + \frac{\Delta_x h}{\kappa} \quad r_p = \frac{\alpha_p \Delta t}{\Delta p}$$

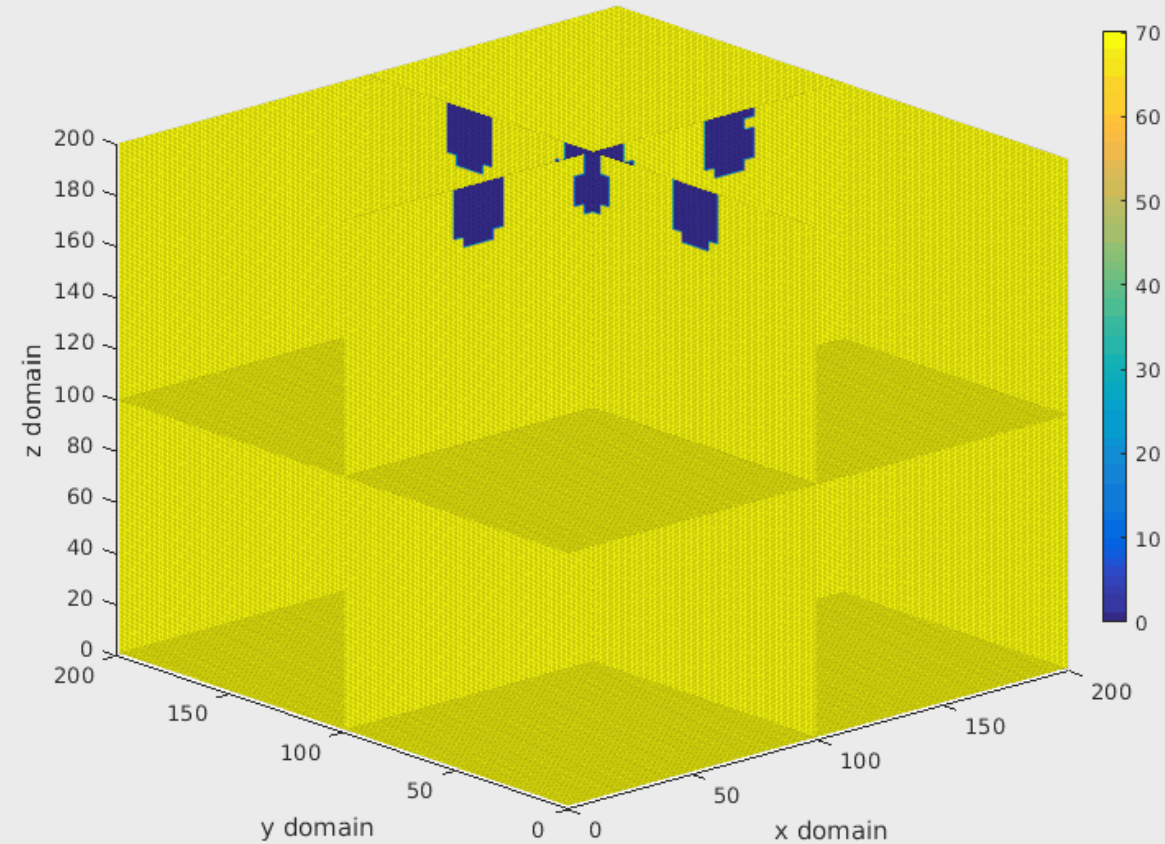




Modelling Tissue Ablation

$$\Omega(t) = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} A e^{(-\frac{\Delta E}{RT})} dT$$

- Arrhenius damage model
- Taken from chemistry
- Used widely in literature for tissue damage



Code & Cake

- Any Questions?
- Future talks



[Github.com/lewisfish](https://github.com/lewisfish)

(Code in modern Fortran...)

