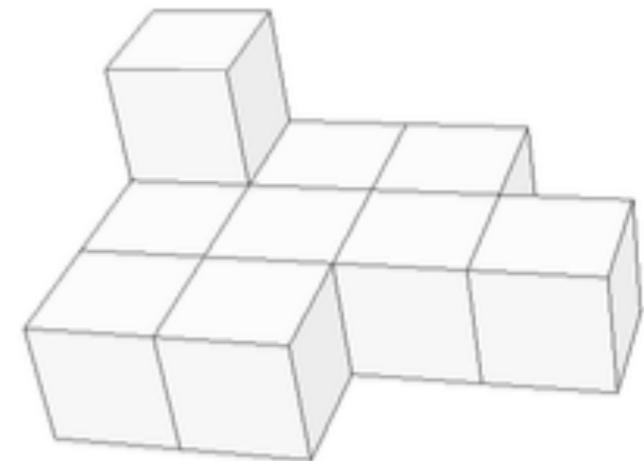


Poly-cube mapping

What are Poly-cubes?

[Tarini et al. 2004]

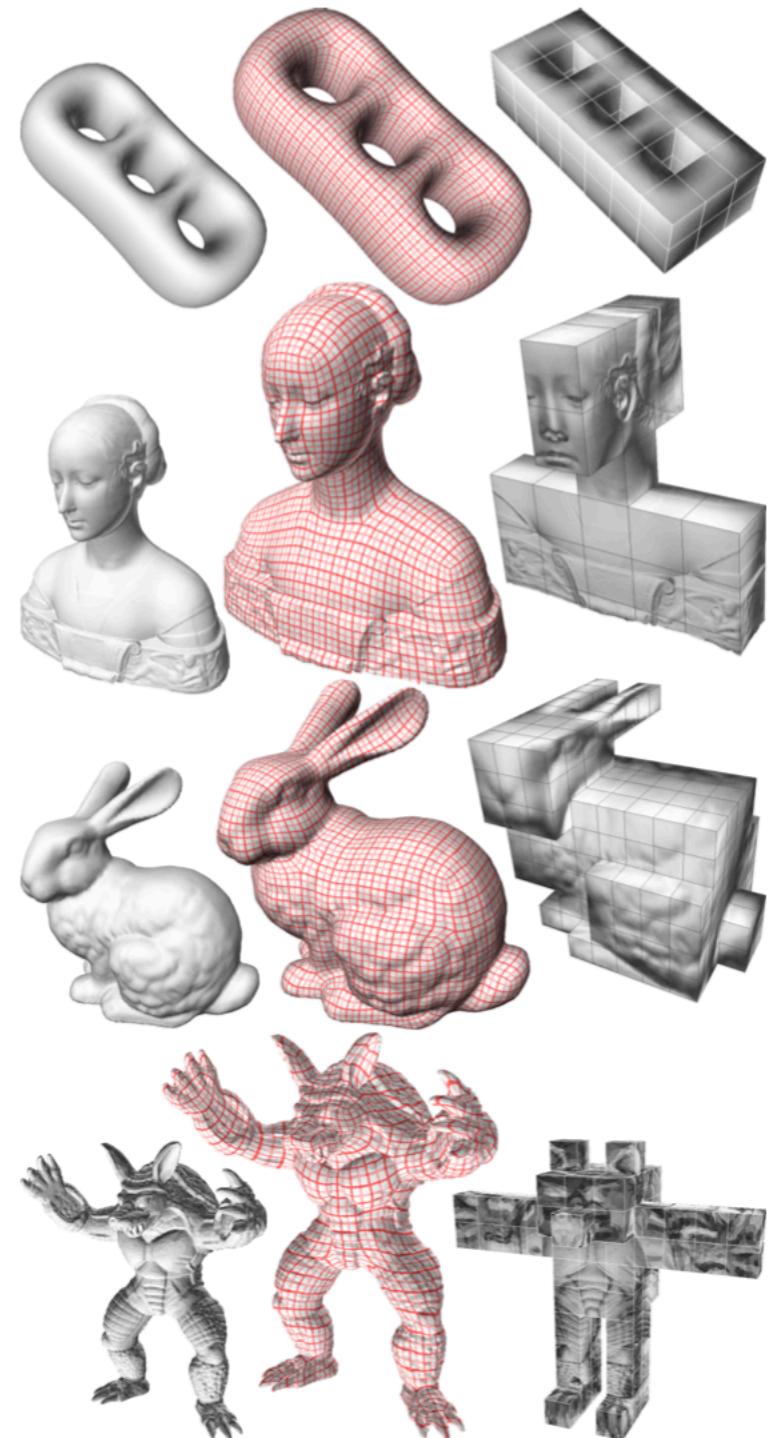
A poly-cube is a 3d shape composed of axis aligned unit cubes that are attached face to face



Poly-cube maps

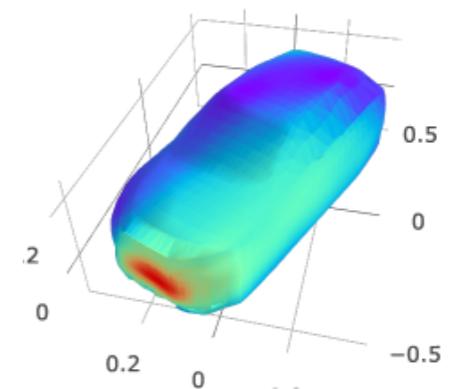
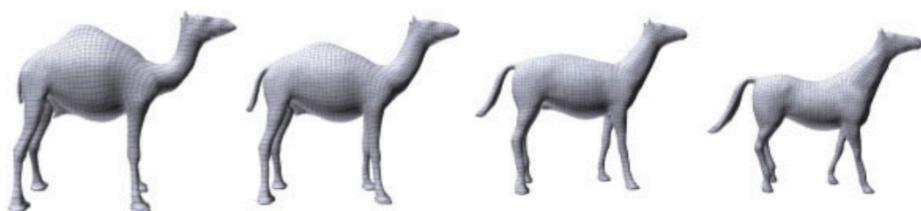
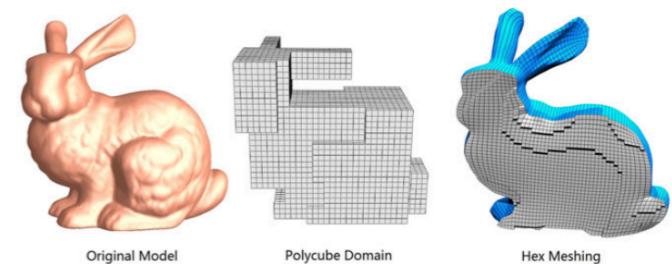
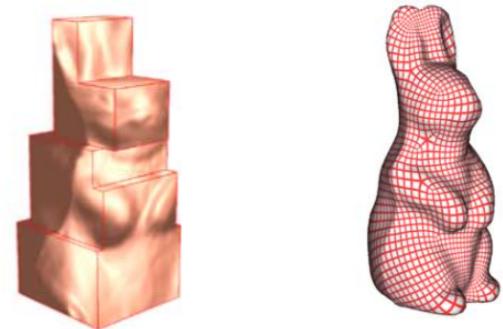
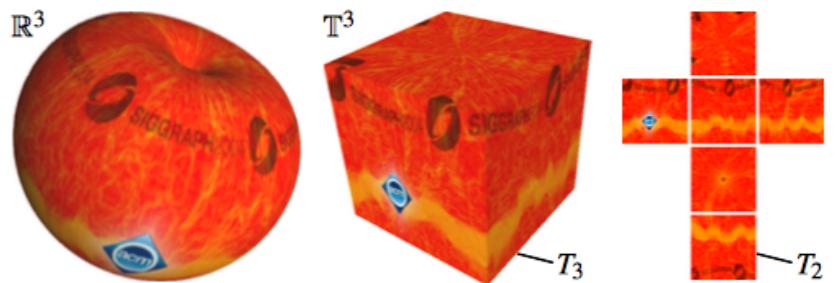
A poly-cube parameterization is a bijective map between a 3D mesh model M and a poly-cube domain P such that:

- P shares the same topology with M
- P approximates the geometry of M
- P is simple (i.e. not too many corners)



Applications

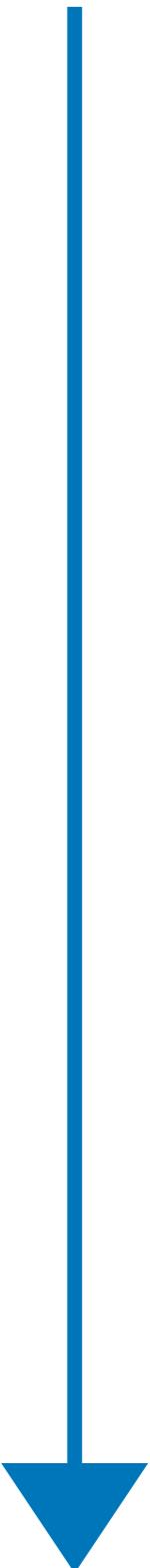
- Efficient texturing [Tarini et al. 2004]
- Quad-remeshing (surface) [He et al. 2009]
- Hex-meshing (volume) [Yu et al. 2014]
- Shape interpolation [Fan et al. 2005]
- Deep learning on surface meshes?



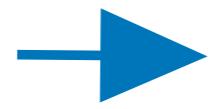
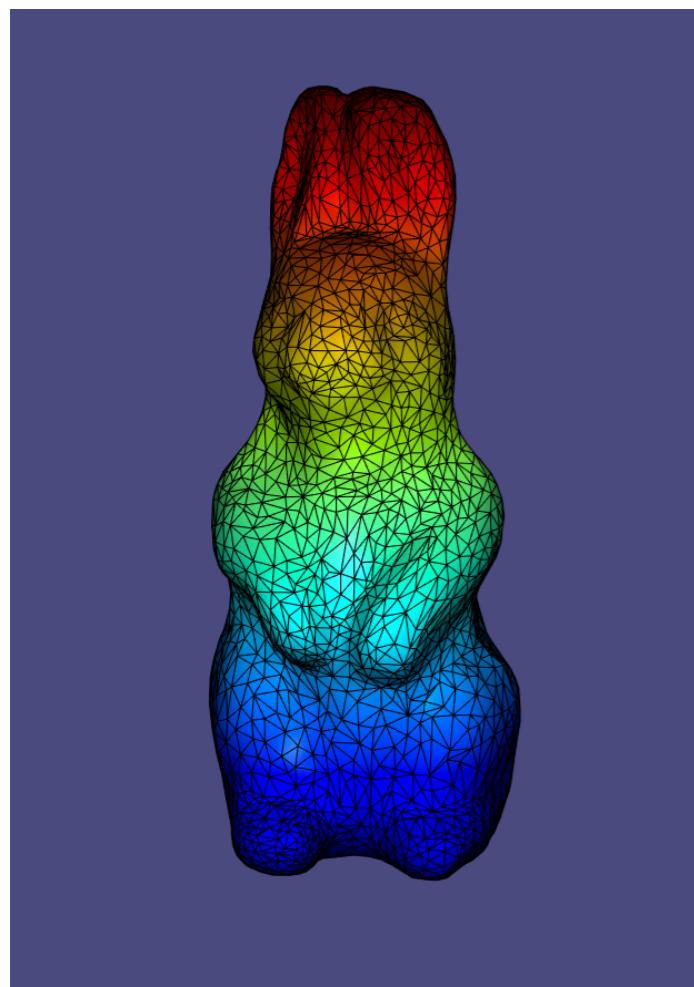
State of the art timeline

- Manual poly-cube mapping [Tarini et al. 2004]
- ...
- Semi-automatic poly-cube mapping [Xia et al. 2010]
- ...
- Automatic poly-cube mapping for simple geometries [Gregson et al. 2011]
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- Automatic poly-cube mapping [Yu et al. 2014]

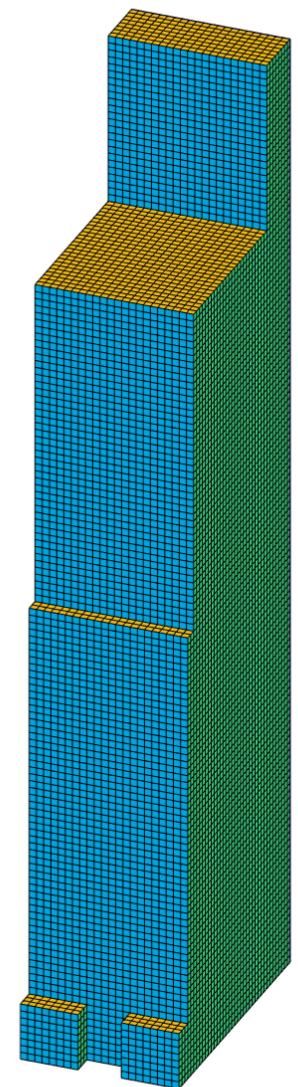
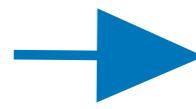
Algorithm produces valid over-complicated
poly-cube via voxelization and simplifies it
via heuristic local optimization



Robust poly-cube mapping algorithm

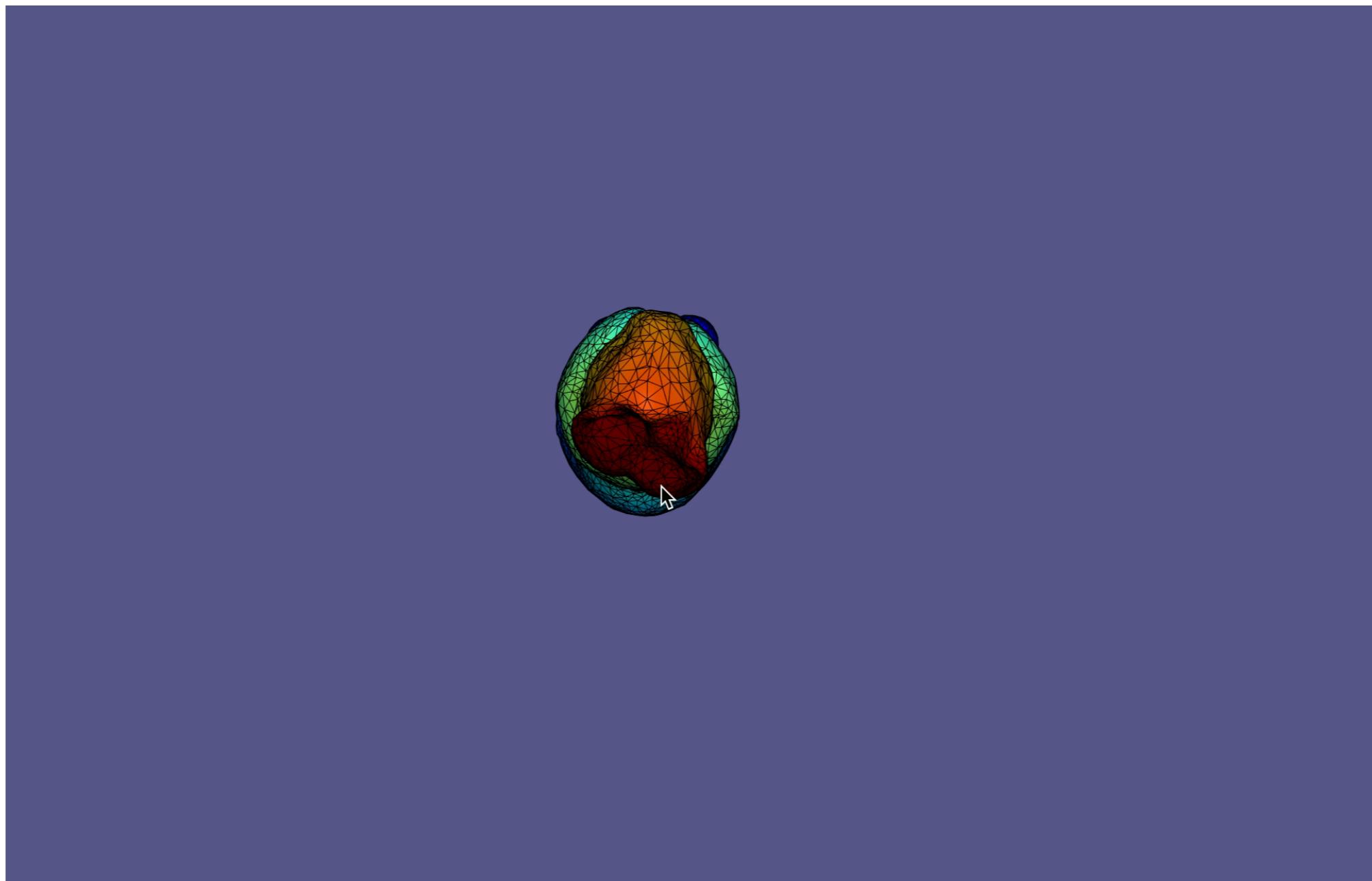


- Axis-aligning mesh deformation
- Full volumetric Voxelization
- Cube extraction via volumetric Hough Transform



1: Axis aligning deformation

Iteratively deform a geometric model into a geometrically regular axis aligned shape



Details...

(1) while not converged:

- (1) Cluster the surface mesh into 6 different regions ($\pm X$, $\pm Y$, $\pm Z$) based on vertex normal orientation.
- (2) For every vertex compute the minimal rotation R aligning normal to cluster axis
- (3) Deform surface so that clustered normals align to corresponding nearest axes. Work on edges to balance alignment constraints with volumetric distortion.

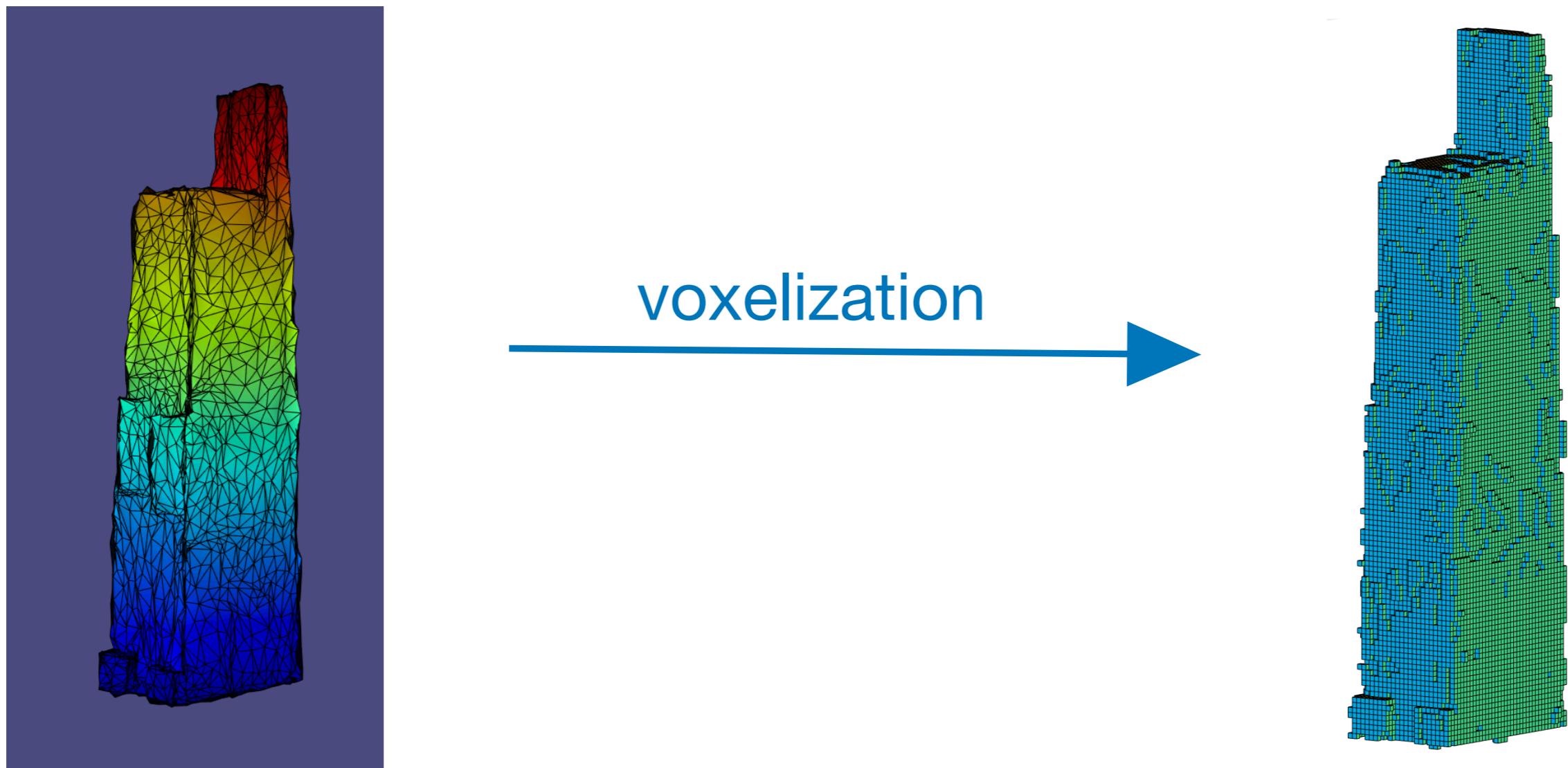
$$v_i - v_j = \frac{1}{2}(R_i + R_j)(\tilde{v}_i - \tilde{v}_j)$$

Poisson equation over each vertex

$$v_i - \frac{1}{N_i} \sum v_j = \frac{1}{N_i} \sum \frac{R_i + R_j}{2} (\tilde{v}_i - \tilde{v}_j)$$

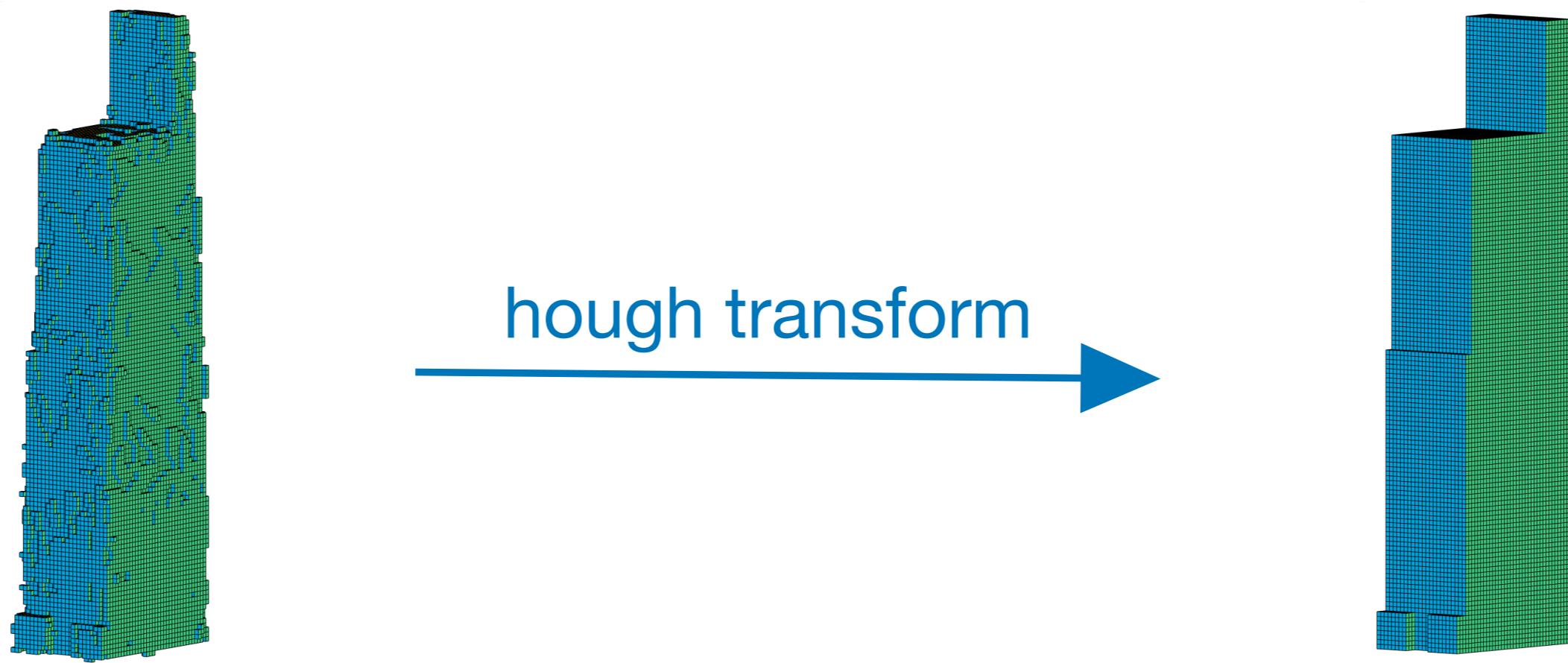
2: Volumetric Voxelization

Voxelize the axis aligned model by sampling the model signed distance function on a regular grid defined over the model's bounding box



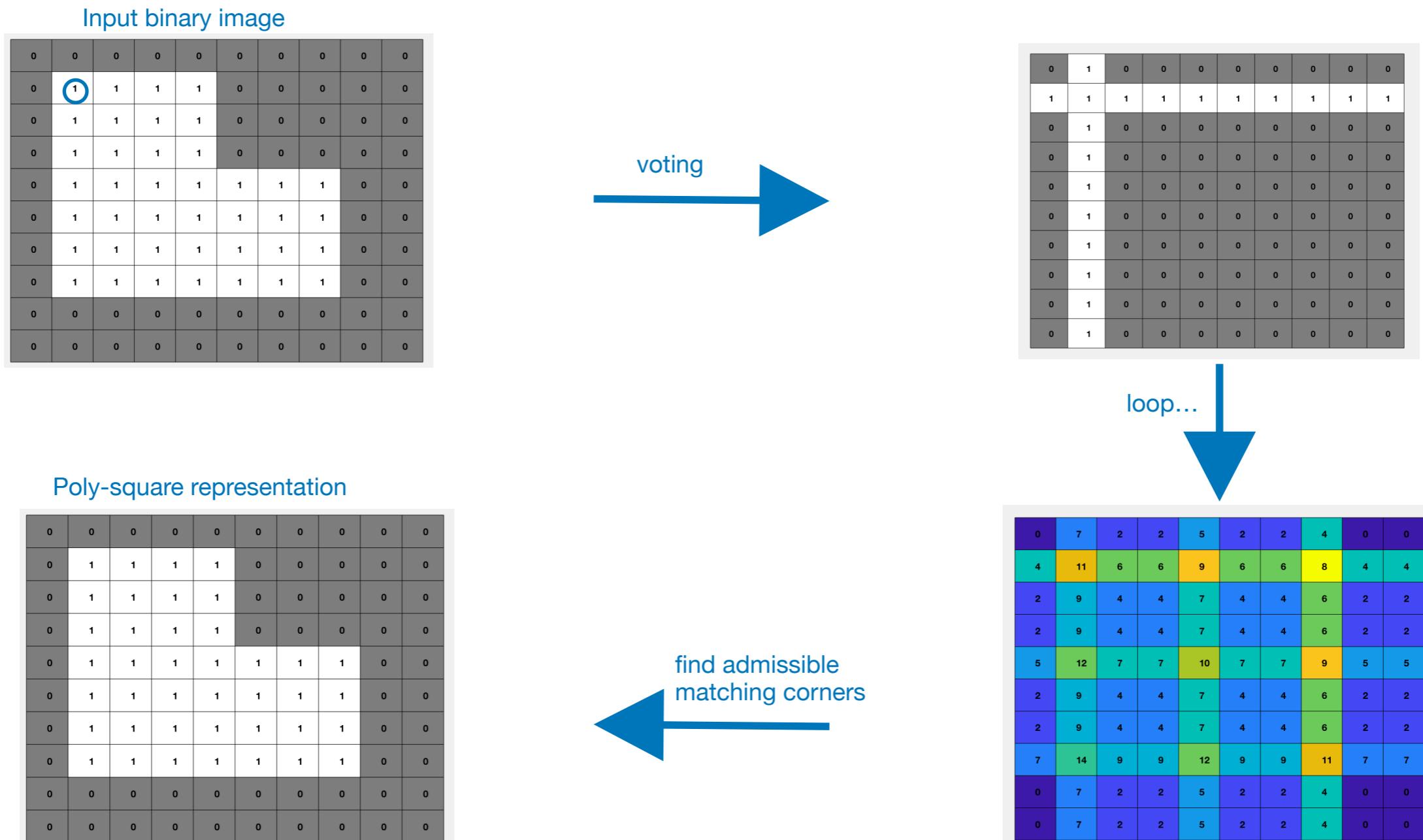
3: Corner detecting 3D Hough Transform

Simplifiy poly-cube structure by applying a corner detecting 3d Hough transform

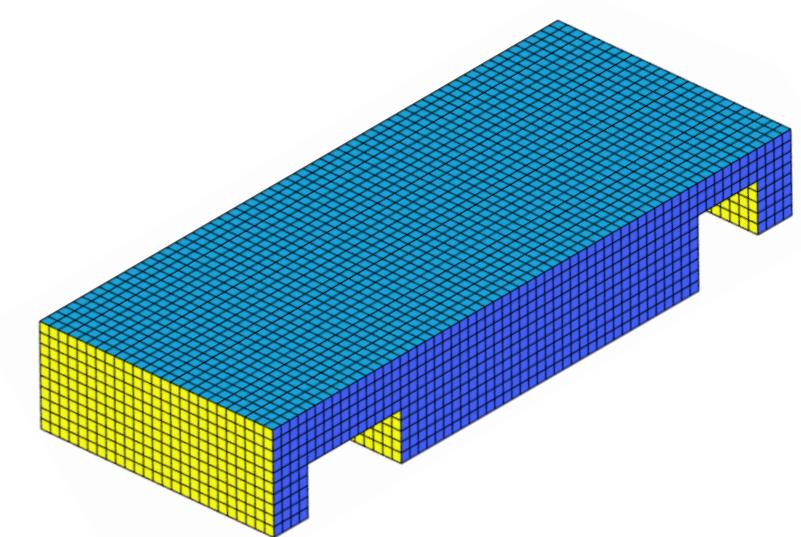
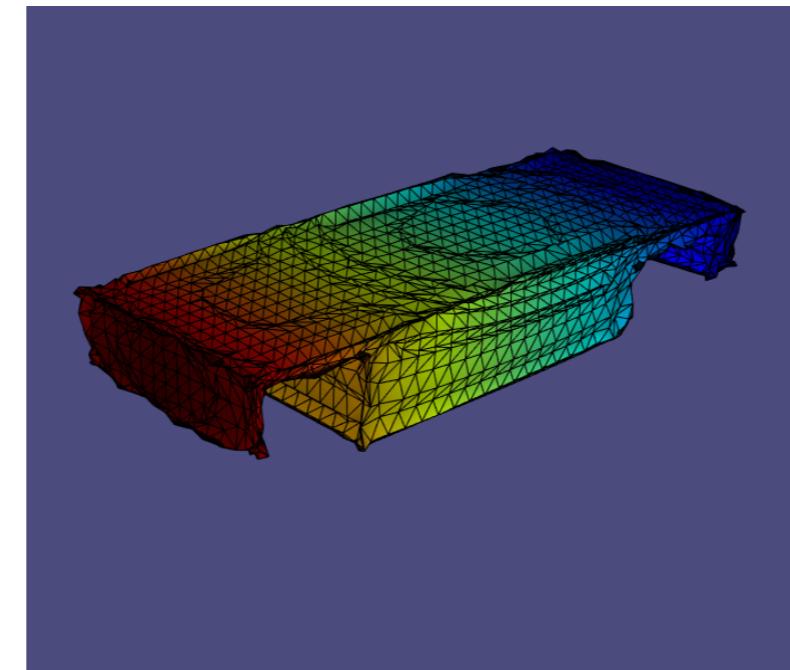
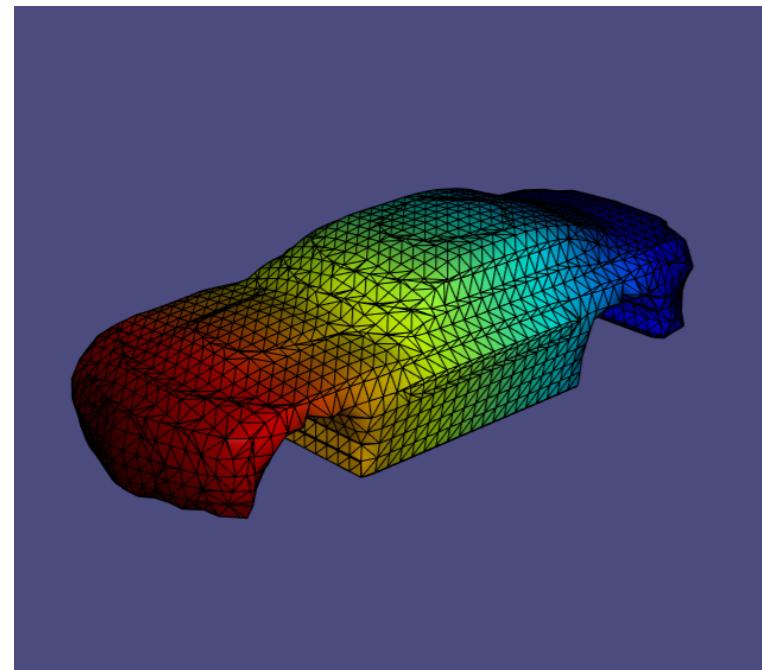
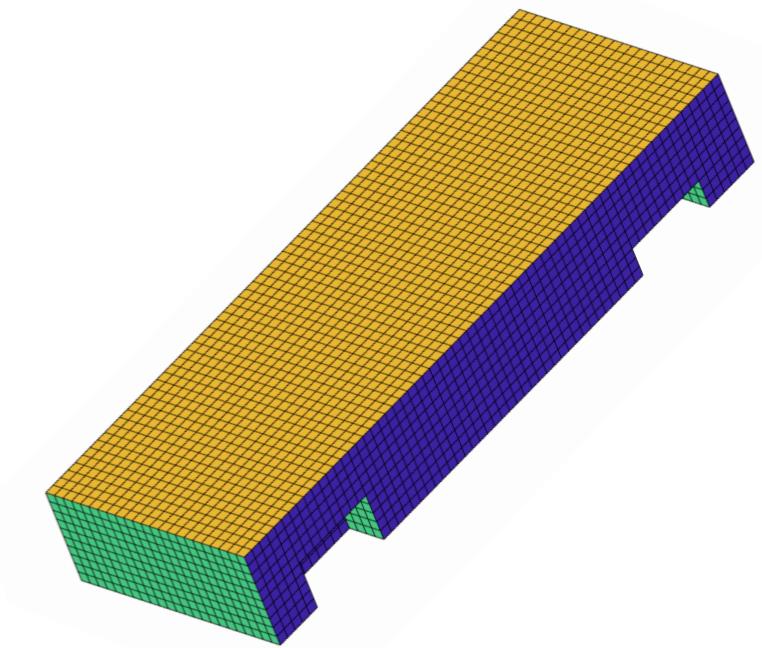
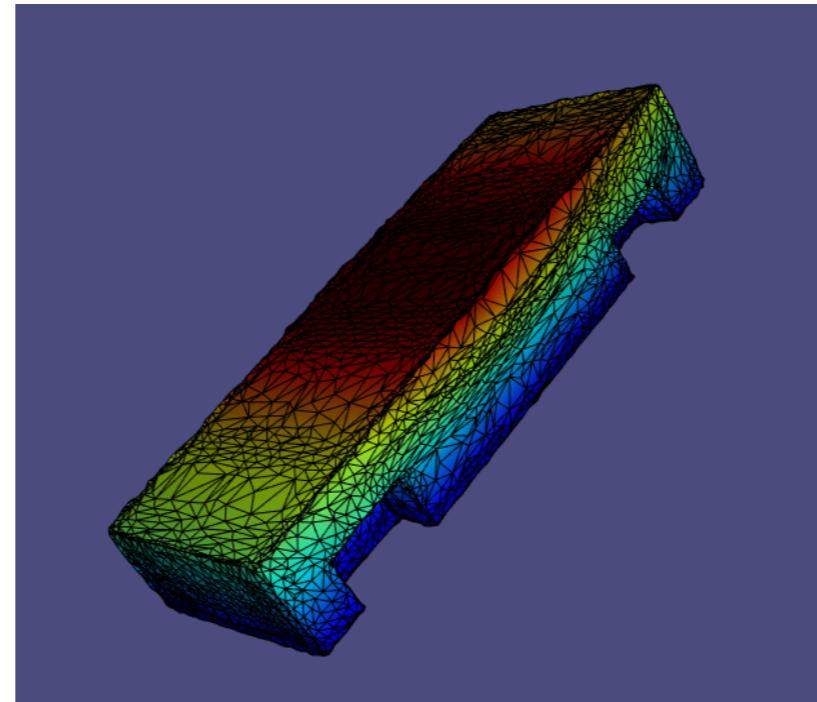
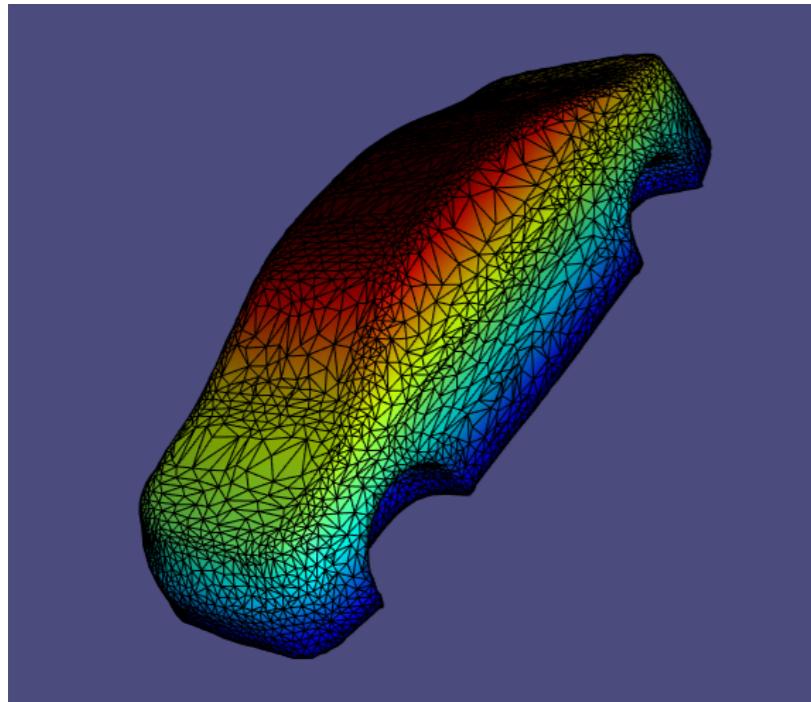


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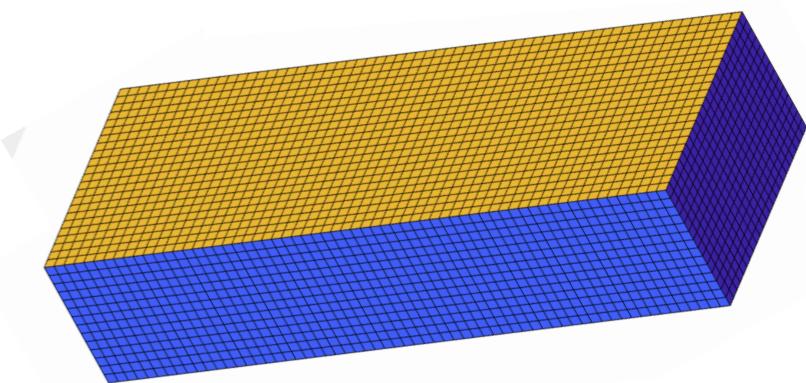
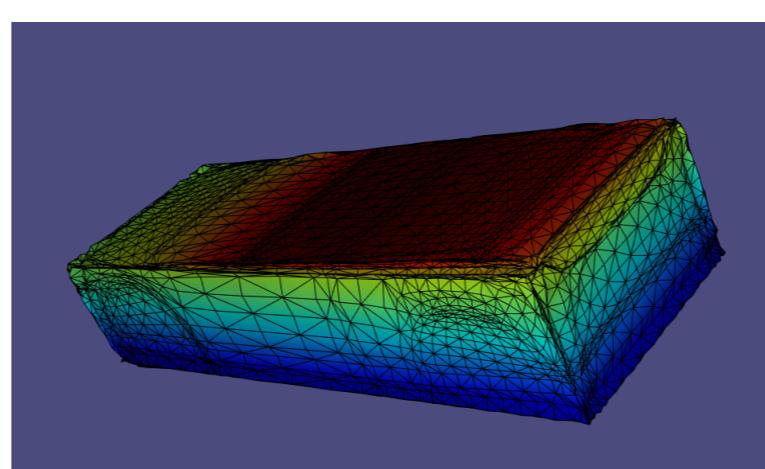
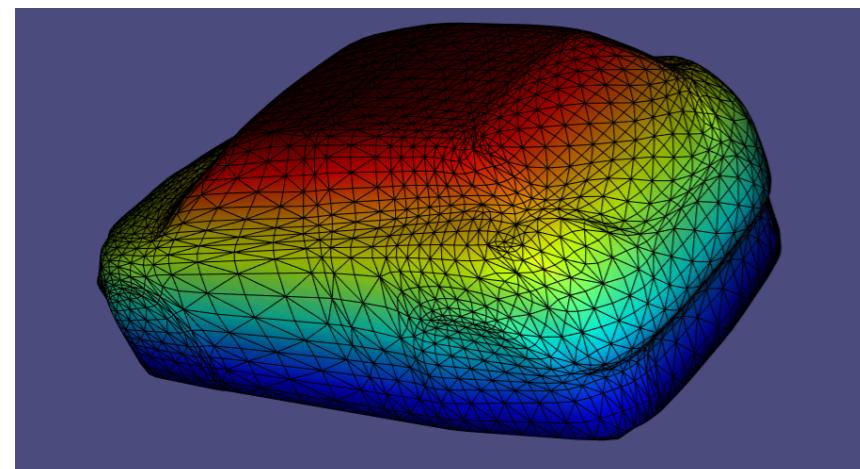
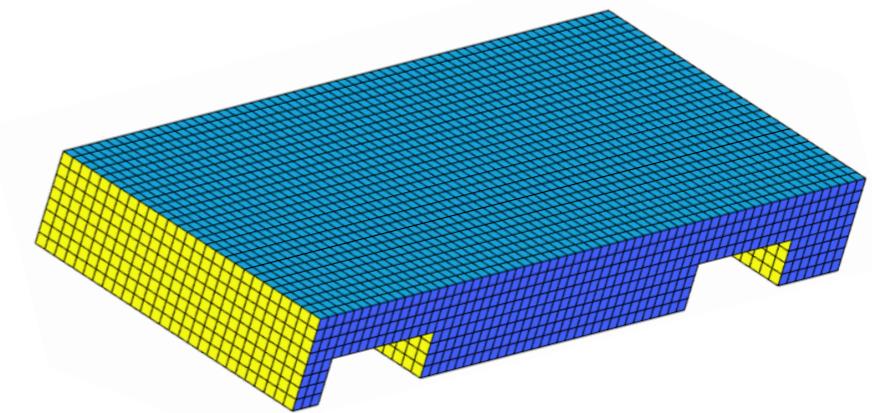
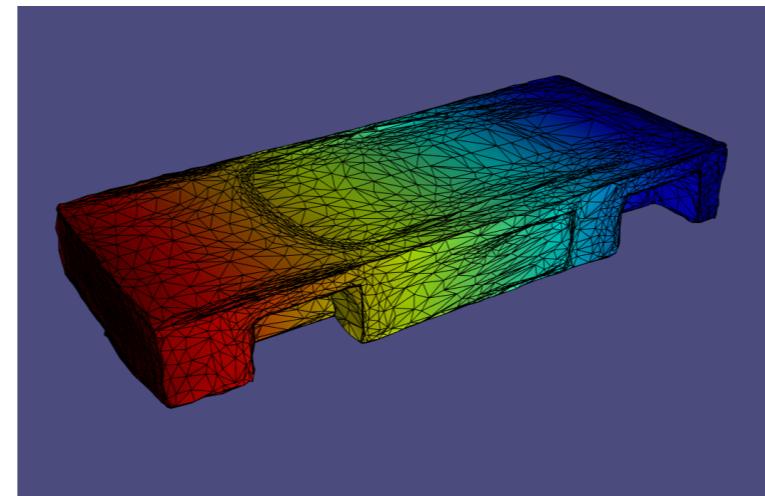
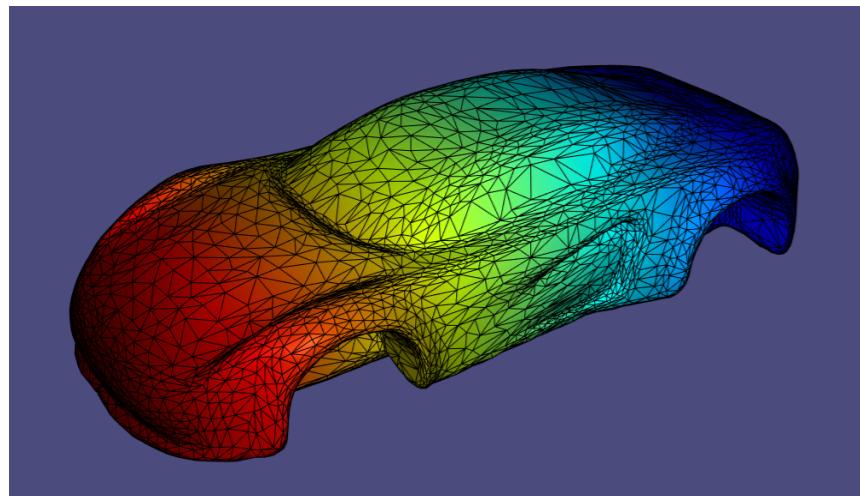
- Create the accumulator space, which is made up of a cell for each voxel, and set each cell to zero.
- voting: for each boundary voxel (i,j,k) increment by 1 all cells that belong to the axis aligned planes centered in voxel (i,j,k)
- Search for local maxima in the accumulator space, these voxels represent the corners in the binary volume detected by the algorithm
- Find poly cubes in the domain by finding matching corners



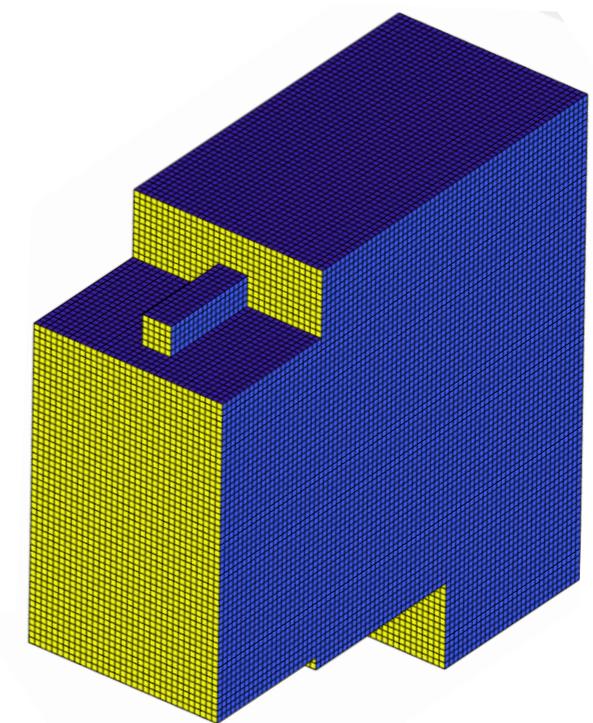
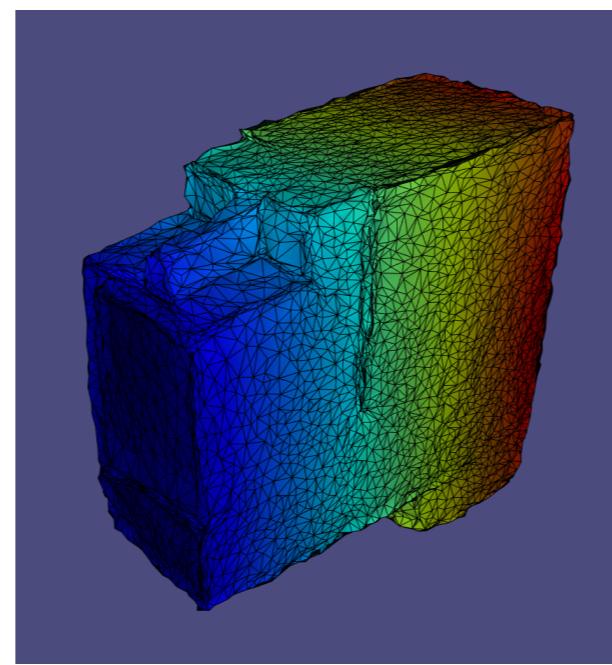
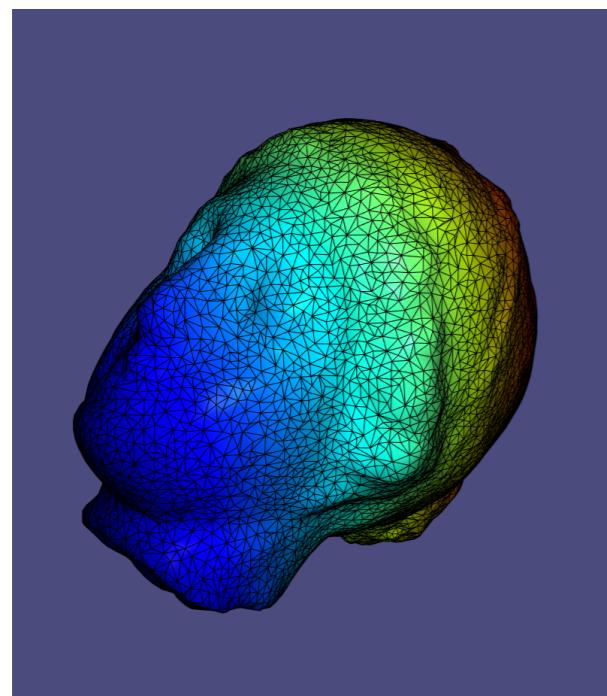
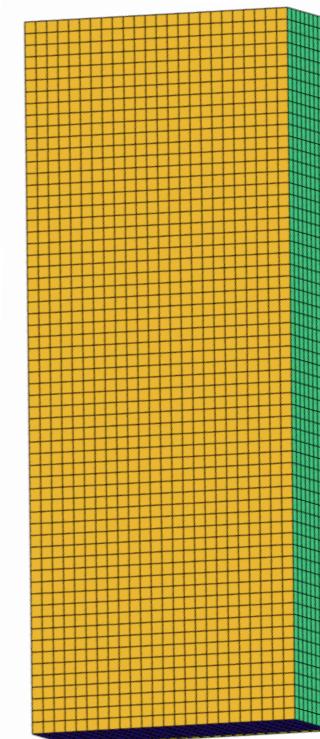
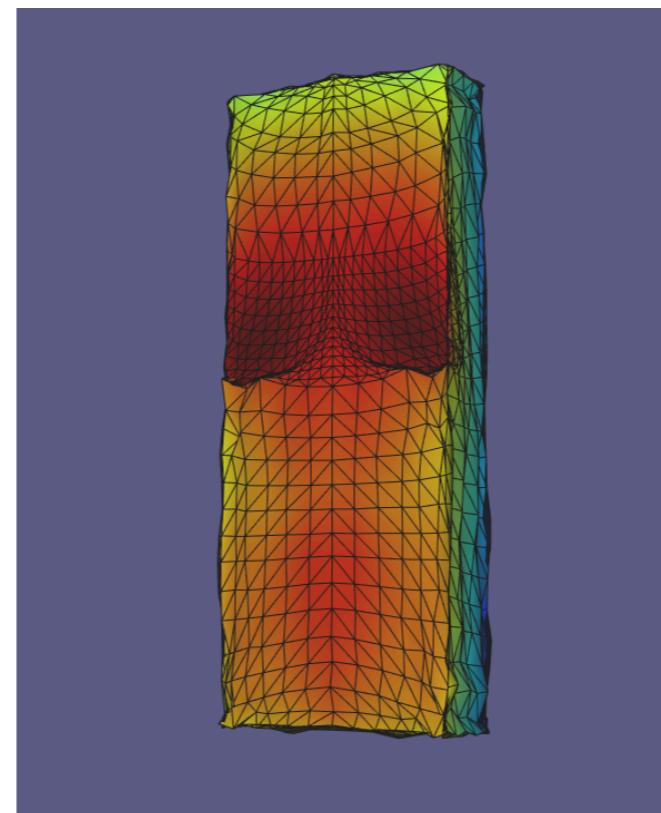
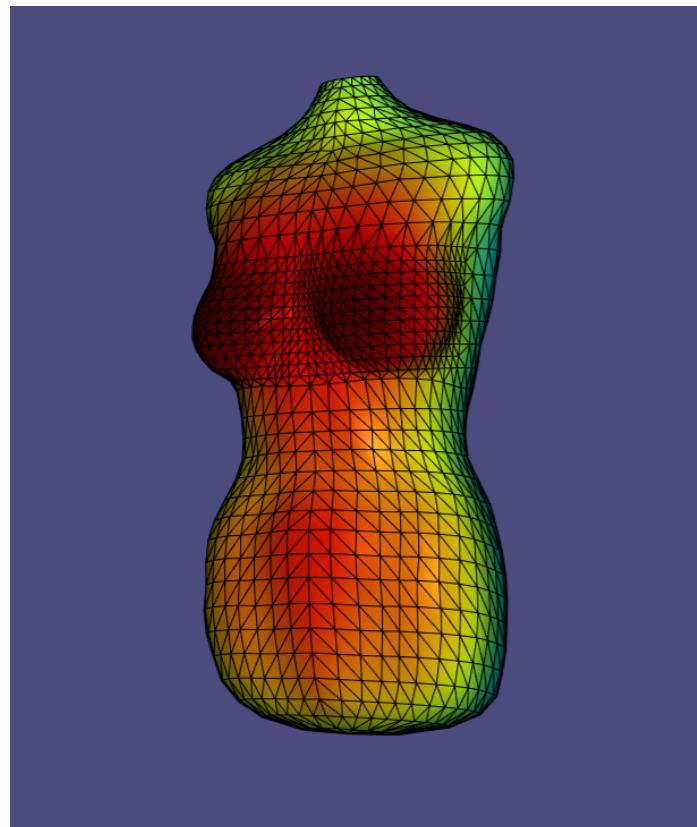
Results: Cars dataset



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Results: Body and faces



Conclusions and next steps

- Robust poly-cube mapping algorithm
- Naive MATLAB implementation ~ 50 times faster than state of the art
- How do we evaluate the quality of mapping?
- Can we learn poly-cube mapping...
 - from voxelized meshes?
 - from RGB/RGBD images?
- How to implement efficiently convolutions on poly-cube domains?