# Introduction to Computer Graphics

Modeling (3) –

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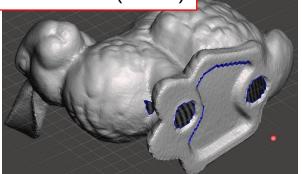
# Solid modeling

#### Solid models

 Clear definition of "inside" & "outside" at any 3D point

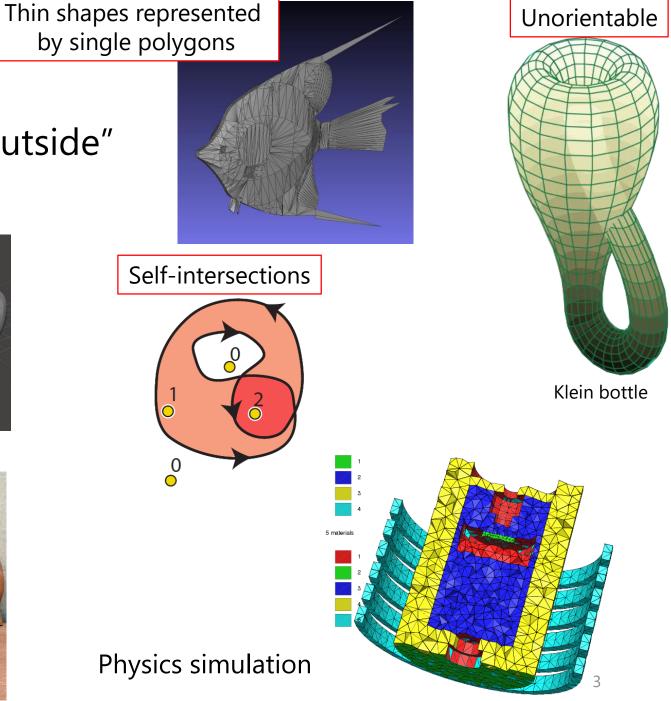
Open boundaries (holes)

Non-solid cases



Main usage:

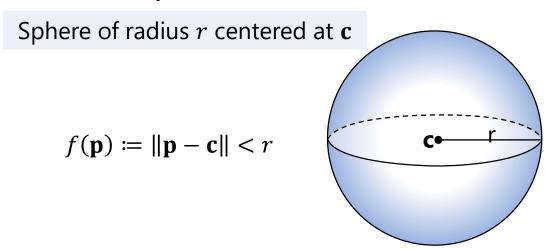




3D printing

#### Predicate function of a solid model

- Function that returns true/false if a 3D point  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is inside/outside of the model  $f(\mathbf{p}): \mathbb{R}^3 \mapsto \{ \text{ true, false } \}$
- The whole interior of the model:  $\{ \mathbf{p} \mid f(\mathbf{p}) = \text{true} \} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
- Examples:

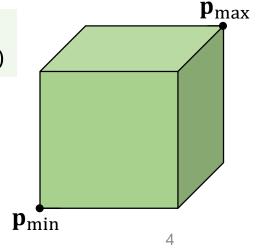


Box whose min & max corners are  $(x_{\min}, y_{\min}, z_{\min})$  &  $(x_{\max}, y_{\max}, z_{\max})$ 

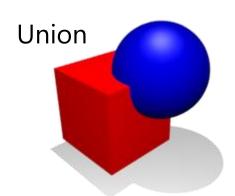
$$f(x, y, z) \coloneqq (x_{\min} < x < x_{\max})$$

$$\wedge (y_{\min} < y < y_{\max})$$

$$\wedge (z_{\min} < z < z_{\max})$$



#### Constructive Solid Geometry (Boolean operations)



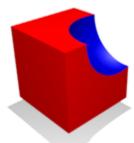
$$f_{A\cup B}(\mathbf{p}) \coloneqq f_A(\mathbf{p}) \vee f_B(\mathbf{p})$$

Intersection

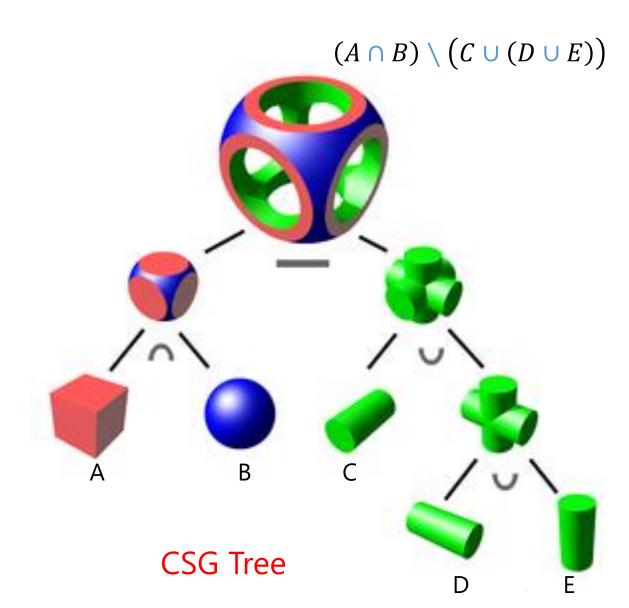


$$f_{A\cap B}(\mathbf{p})\coloneqq f_A(\mathbf{p})\wedge f_B(\mathbf{p})$$



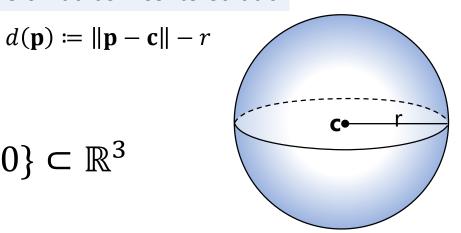


$$f_{A \setminus B}(\mathbf{p}) \coloneqq f_A(\mathbf{p}) \land \neg f_B(\mathbf{p})$$



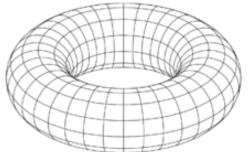
#### Solid model represented by Singed Distance Field

- Shortest distance from 3D point to model surface:  $d(\mathbf{p}): \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$ 
  - Signed: positive/negative for outside/inside Sphere of radius r centered at c
- Corresponding predicate:  $f(\mathbf{p}) \coloneqq d(\mathbf{p}) < 0$
- Zero isosurface  $\rightarrow$  model surface:  $\{\mathbf{p} \mid d(\mathbf{p}) = 0\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$
- Aka. "implicit" or "volumetric" representation
- Gradient  $\nabla d(\mathbf{p})$  matches with normal direction



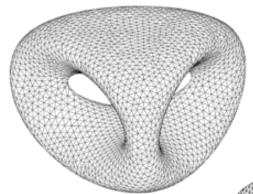
#### Examples of implicit functions

Not necessarily distance functions

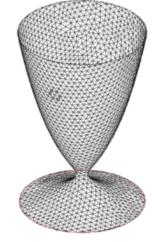


Torus with major & minor radii R & a

$$(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + R^2 - a^2)^2 - 4R^2(x^2 + y^2) = 0$$



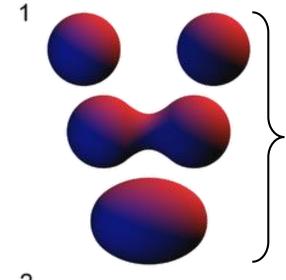
$$2y(y^2 - 3x^2)(1 - z^2) + (x^2 + y^2)^2 - (9z^2 - 1)(1 - z^2) = 0$$



$$x^{2} + y^{2} - (\ln(z + 3.2))^{2} - 0.02 = 0$$

#### Examples of implicit functions: Metaballs

$$d_i(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{q_i}{\|\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{c}_i\|} - r_i \qquad \mathbf{c}_1 \bullet \qquad \mathbf{c}_2 \bullet \qquad \mathbf{c}_3 \qquad d(\mathbf{p}) = d_1(\mathbf{p}) + d_2(\mathbf{p}) + d_3(\mathbf{p}) + d_4(\mathbf{p})$$



$$d(\mathbf{p}) = d_1(\mathbf{p}) + d_2(\mathbf{p})$$

$$d(\mathbf{p}) = d_1(\mathbf{p}) - d_2(\mathbf{p})$$

#### Morphing by interpolating implicit functions

$$d_1(\mathbf{p}) = 0$$

$$\frac{2}{3}d_1(\mathbf{p}) + \frac{1}{3}d_2(\mathbf{p}) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{3}d_1(\mathbf{p}) + \frac{2}{3}d_2(\mathbf{p}) = 0$$

$$d_2(\mathbf{p}) = 0$$

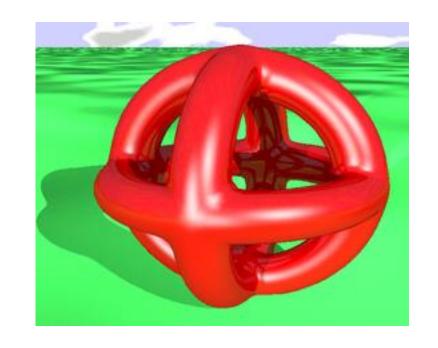
#### Modeling by combining implicit functions

$$F_1 = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + R^2 - a^2)^2 - 4R^2(x^2 + y^2) = 0$$

$$F_2 = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + R^2 - a^2)^2 - 4R^2(x^2 + z^2) = 0$$

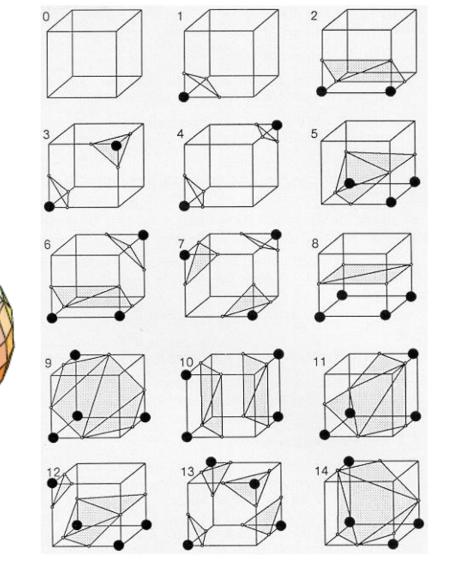
$$F_3 = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + R^2 - a^2)^2 - 4R^2(y^2 + z^2) = 0$$

$$F(x, y, z) = F_1(x, y, z) \cdot F_2(x, y, z) \cdot F_3(x, y, z) - c = 0$$

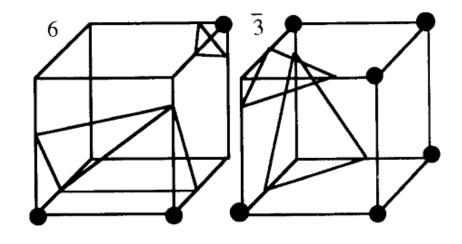


# Visualizing implicit functions: Marching Cubes

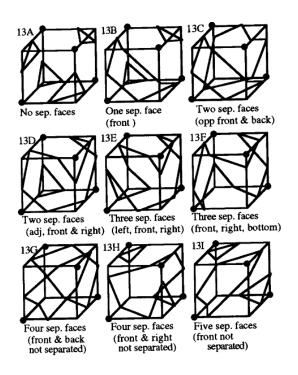
- Extract isosurface as triangle mesh
- For every lattice cell:
  - (1) Compute function values at 8 corners
  - (2) Determine type of output triangles based on the sign pattern
    - Classified into 15 using symmetry
  - (3) Determine vertex positions by linearly interpolating function values
- Once with patent issue⊗, now expired☺



#### Ambiguity in Marching Cubes



Discontinuous faces across neighboring cells

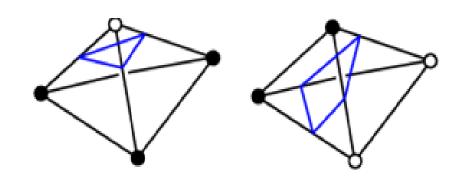


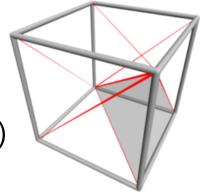
New rules to resolve ambiguity

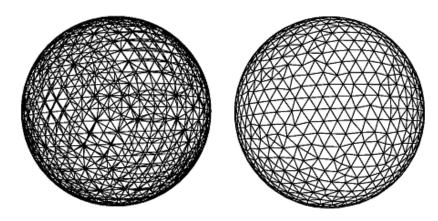
# Marching Tetrahedra

- Use tetrahedra instead of cubes
  - Fewer patterns, no ambiguity
    - → Simpler implementation
- A cube split into 6 tetrahedra
  - (Make sure consistent splitting across neighboring cubes)

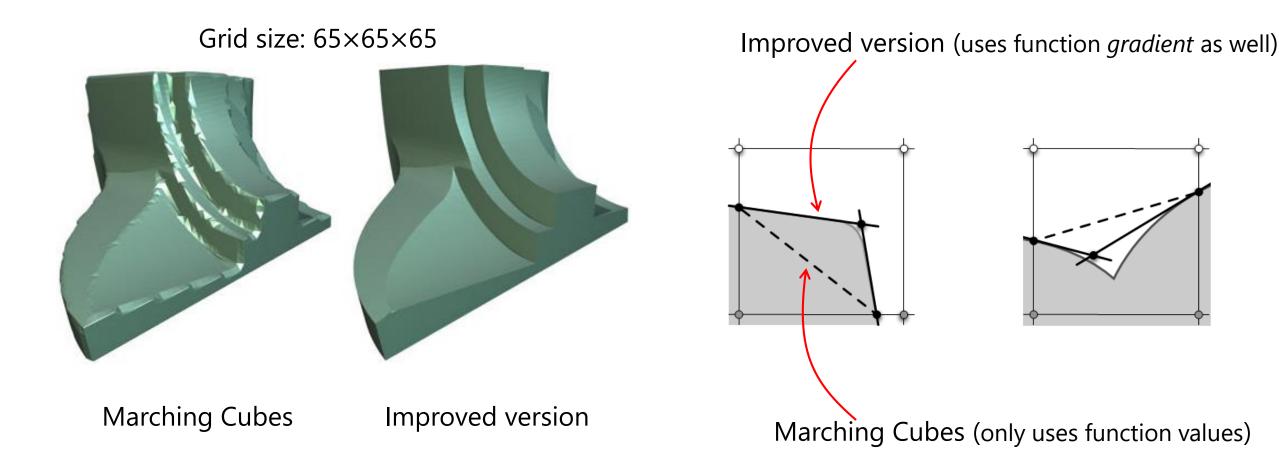








# Isosurface extraction preserving sharp edges

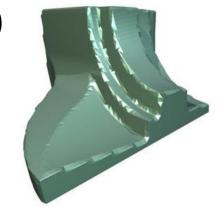


Feature Sensitive Surface Extraction from Volume Data [Kobbelt SIGGRAPH01]

Dual Contouring of Hermite Data [Ju SIGGRAPH02]

#### CSG with surface representation only

- Volumetric representation (=isosurface extraction using MC)
  - → Approximation accuracy depends on grid resolution ⊗
- CSG with surface representation only
  - → Exactly keep original mesh geometry ©

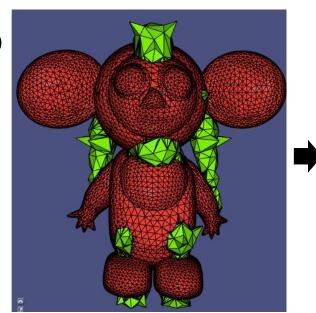


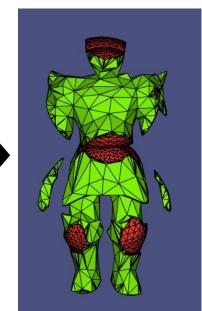
- Difficult to implement robust & efficient 🕾
  - Floating point error
  - Exactly coplanar faces



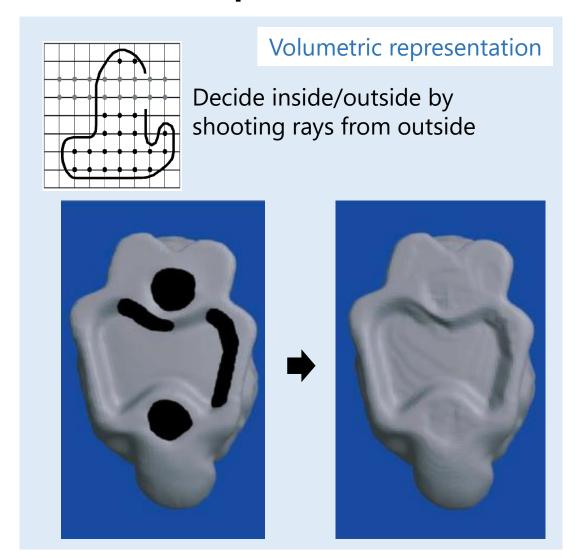
Notable advances in recent years

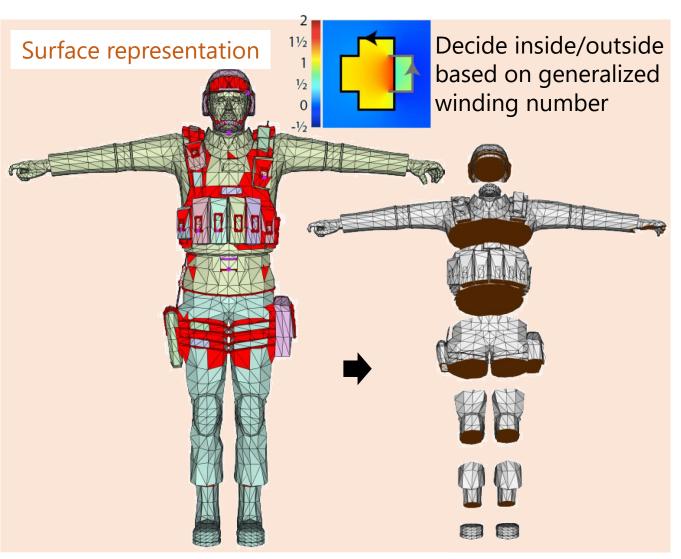
Fast, exact, linear booleans [Bernstein SGP09]
Exact and Robust (Self-)Intersections for Polygonal Meshes [Campen EG10]
Mesh Arrangements for Solid Geometry [Zhou SIGGRAPH16]
<a href="https://libigl.github.io/libigl/tutorial/tutorial.html#booleanoperationsonmeshes">https://libigl.github.io/libigl/tutorial/tutorial.html#booleanoperationsonmeshes</a>





#### Mesh repair





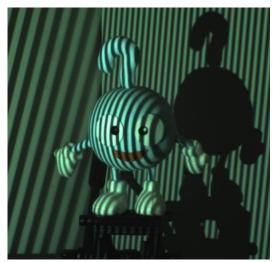
Simplification and Repair of Polygonal Models Using Volumetric Techniques [Nooruddin TVCG03] Robust Inside-Outside Segmentation using Generalized Winding Numbers [Jacobson SIGGRAPH13]

# Surface reconstruction from point cloud

#### Measuring 3D shapes

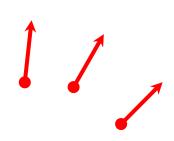


Range Scanner (LIDAR)



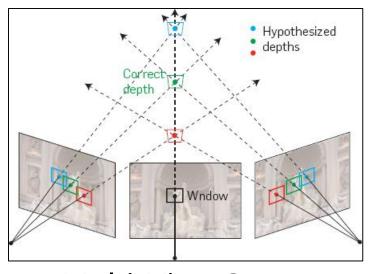
Structured Light

- Obtained data: point cloud
  - 3D coordinate
  - Normal (surface orientation)
    - Not always available
  - Sometimes noise-laden





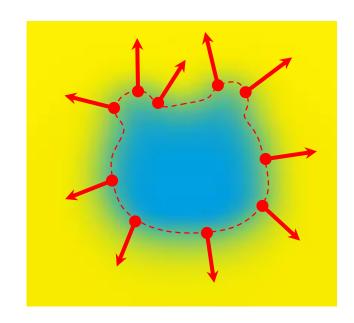
Depth Camera



Multi-View Stereo

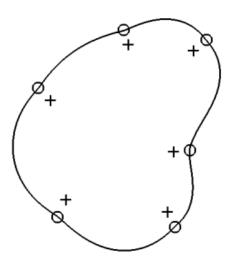
# Surface reconstruction from point cloud

- Input: N points
  - Coordinate  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_i, y_i, z_i)$  & normal  $\mathbf{n}_i = (n_i^x, n_i^y, n_i^z)$ ,  $i \in \{1, ..., N\}$
- Output: function  $f(\mathbf{x})$  satisfying value & gradient constraints
  - $f(\mathbf{x}_i) = f_i$
  - $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{n}_i$
  - Zero isosurface  $f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  output surface
- "Scattered Data Interpolation"
  - Moving Least Squares
  - Radial Basis Function Important to other fields (e.g. Machine Learning) as well

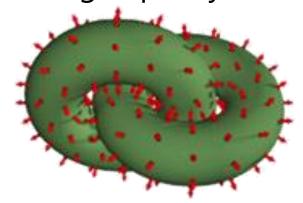


#### Two ways for controlling gradients

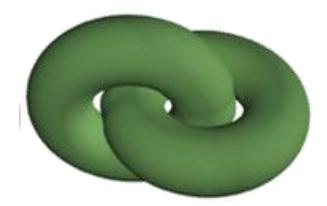
- Additional value constraints at offset locations
  - Simple



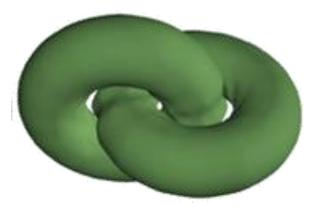
- Directly include gradient constraint in the mathematical formulation (Hermite interpolation)
  - High-quality



Value+gradient constraints



Hermite interpolation



Simple offsetting

#### Interpolation using Moving Least Squares

#### Starting point: Least SQuares

- For now, assume the function as linear:  $f(\mathbf{x}) = ax + by + cz + d$ 
  - Unknowns: *a*, *b*, *c*, *d*

$$\mathbf{x} \coloneqq (x, y, z)$$

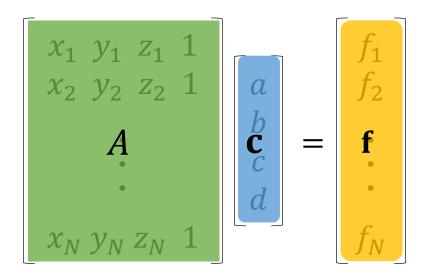
Value constraints at data points

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1) = ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d = f_1$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}_2) = ax_2 + by_2 + cz_2 + d = f_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}_N) = ax_N + by_N + cz_N + d = f_N$$

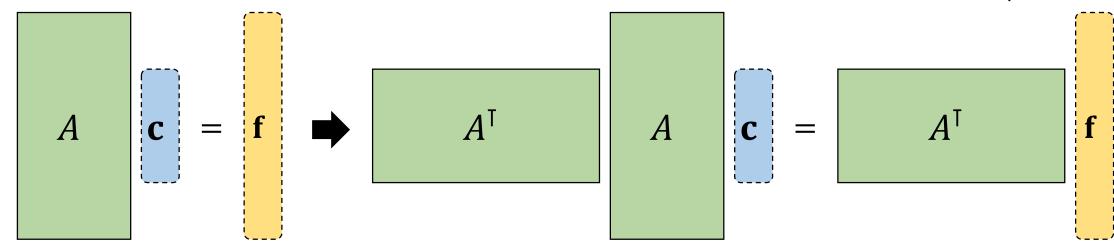


• (Forget about gradient constraints for now)

#### Overconstrained System

- #unknowns < #constraints (i.e. taller matrix)</li>
  - → cannot exactly satisfy all the constraints

"normal equation"



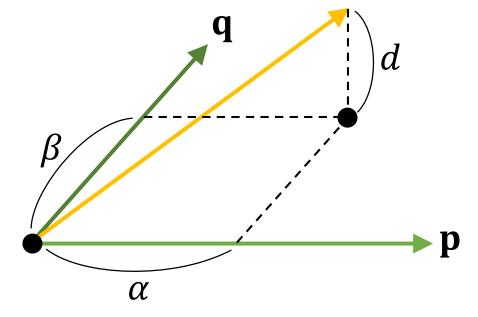
Minimizing fitting error

$$||A \mathbf{c} - \mathbf{f}||^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N} ||f(\mathbf{x}_i) - f_i||^2$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} (A^{\mathsf{T}}A)^{-1} \end{bmatrix} A^{\mathsf{T}}$$

#### Geometric interpretation of LSQ

$$\begin{bmatrix} p_{\mathbf{x}} & q_{\mathbf{x}} \\ p_{\mathbf{y}} & q_{\mathbf{y}} \\ p_{\mathbf{z}} & q_{\mathbf{z}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_{\mathbf{x}} \\ r_{\mathbf{y}} \\ r_{\mathbf{z}} \end{bmatrix}$$

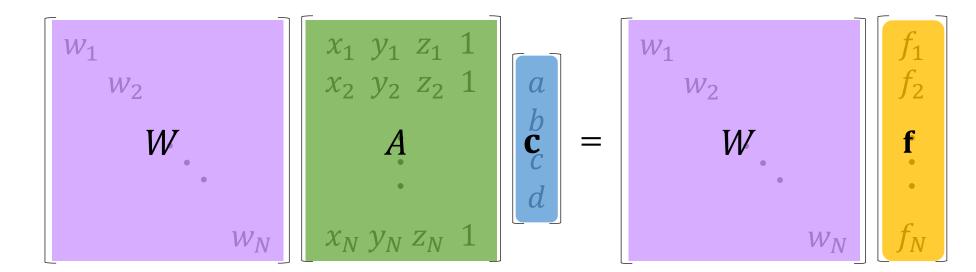


- Project r onto a plane spanned by p & q
  - Fitting error = projection distance  $d^2 = \|\alpha \mathbf{p} + \beta \mathbf{q} \mathbf{r}\|^2$

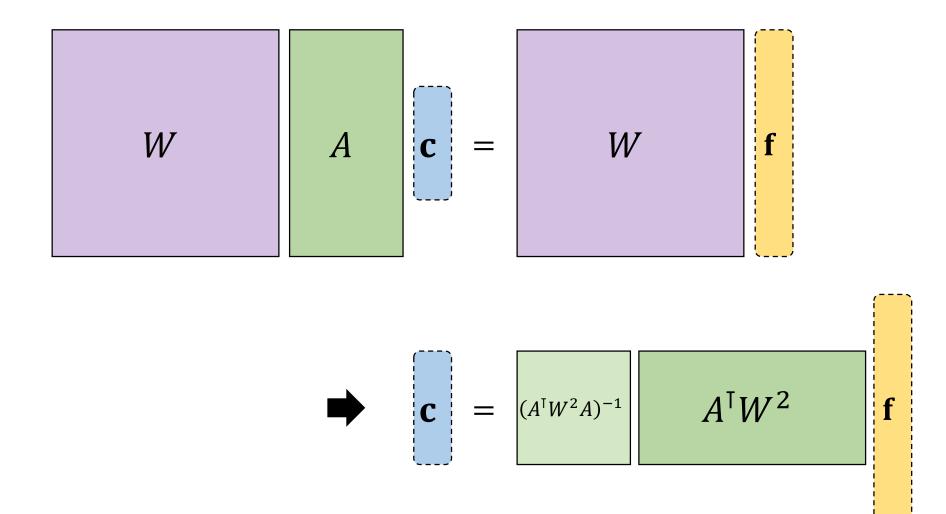
# Weighted Least Squares

- Each data point is weighted by  $w_i$ 
  - Importance, confidence, ...
- Minimize the following fitting error:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} ||w_i(f(\mathbf{x}_i) - f_i)||^2$$



# Weighted Least Squares



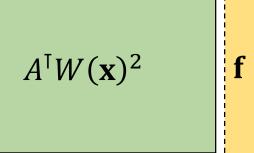
#### Moving Least Squares

- Weight  $w_i$  is a function of evaluation point  $\mathbf{x}$ :  $w_i(\mathbf{x}) = w(\|\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}_i\|)$
- Popular choices for the function (kernel):
  - $w(r) = e^{-r^2/\sigma^2}$
  - $w(r) = \frac{1}{r^2 + \epsilon^2}$

Larger the weight as  $\mathbf{x}$  is closer to  $\mathbf{x}_i$ 

- Weighting matrix W is a function of  $\mathbf{x}$ 
  - $\rightarrow$  Coeffs a, b, c, d are functions of  $\mathbf{x}$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{vmatrix} a(\mathbf{x}) \\ b(\mathbf{x}) \\ A(\mathbf{w}) \\ c(\mathbf{x}) \\ d(\mathbf{x}) \end{vmatrix}^{2A}^{-1}$$



#### Introducing gradient (normal) constraints

• Consider linear function represented by each data point:  $g_i(\mathbf{x}) = f_i + (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i)^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{n}_i$ 

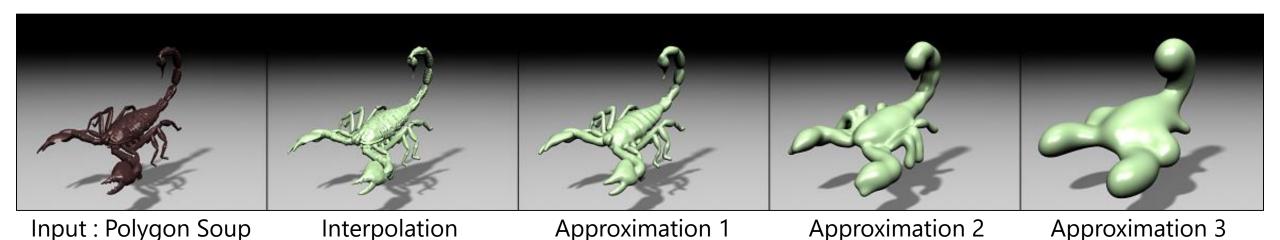
• Minimize fitting error to each  $g_i$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \|w_i(\mathbf{x})(f(\mathbf{x}) - g_i(\mathbf{x}))\|^2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} w_1(\mathbf{x}) & & \\ w_2(\mathbf{x}) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & w_N(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & 1 \\ x & y & z & 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ & \vdots & \\ x & y & z & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_1(\mathbf{x}) & & \\ w_2(\mathbf{x}) & & \\ & w_2(\mathbf{x}) & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ & w_N(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_1(\mathbf{x}) \\ g_2(\mathbf{x}) \\ \vdots & & \\ & g_N(\mathbf{x}) \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Introducing gradient (normal) constraints





#### Interpolation using Radial Basis Functions

#### Basic idea

• Define  $f(\mathbf{x})$  as weighted sum of basis functions  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ :

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i)$$

Basis function translated to each data point  $\mathbf{x}_i$ 

- Radial Basis Function  $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ : only depends on the length of  $\mathbf{x}$ 

  - $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-\|\mathbf{x}\|^2/\sigma^2}$  (Gaussian)  $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 + c^2}}$  (Inverse Multiquadric)
- Determine weights  $w_i$  from constraints at data points  $f(\mathbf{x}_i) = f_i$

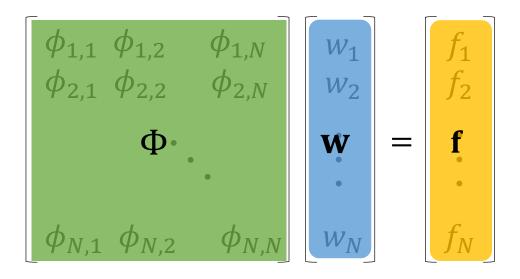
#### Basic idea

Notation:  $\phi_{i,j} = \phi(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)$ 

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1) = w_1 \phi_{1,1} + w_2 \phi_{1,2} + \dots + w_N \phi_{1,N} = f_1$$
  
$$f(\mathbf{x}_2) = w_1 \phi_{2,1} + w_2 \phi_{2,2} + \dots + w_N \phi_{2,N} = f_2$$

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$$f(\mathbf{x}_N) = w_1 \phi_{N,1} + w_2 \phi_{N,2} + \dots + w_N \phi_{N,N} = f_N$$

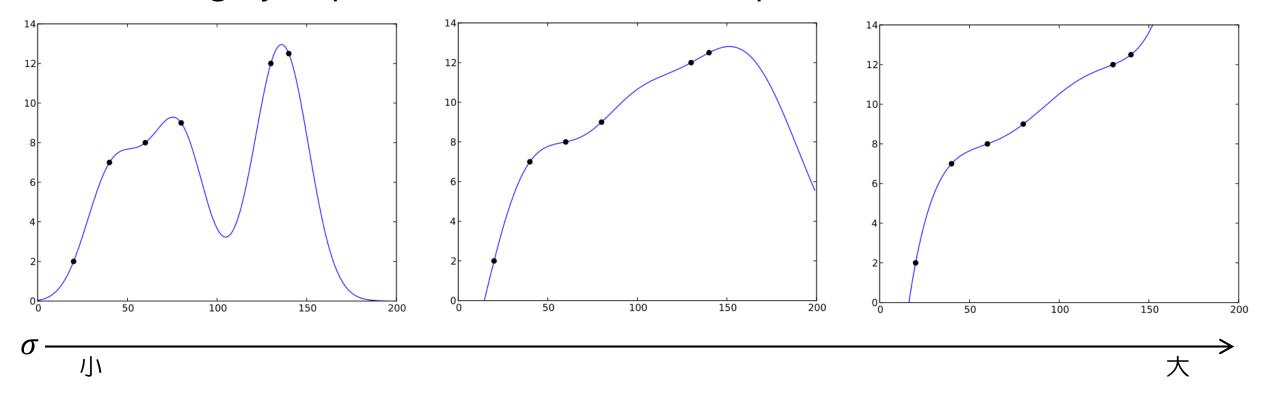


Solve this!

# When using Gaussian RBF

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-\|\mathbf{x}\|^2/\sigma^2}$$

• Results highly dependent on the choice of parameter  $\sigma \otimes$ 



How to obtain the as-smooth-as-possible result?

# Measuring function's "bend": Thin-Plate Energy

• 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative (=curvature) magnitude integrated over the whole domain

$$E_2[f] = \int_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d} ||\Delta f(\mathbf{x})||^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

• 1D case:

$$E_2[f] = \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} f''(x)^2 dx$$

• 2D case:

$$E_2[f] = \int_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2} (f_{xx}(\mathbf{x})^2 + 2f_{xy}(\mathbf{x})^2 + f_{yy}(\mathbf{x})^2) d\mathbf{x}$$

• 3D case:

$$E_2[f] = \int_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3} (f_{xx}(\mathbf{x})^2 + f_{yy}(\mathbf{x})^2 + f_{zz}(\mathbf{x})^2 + 2f_{xy}(\mathbf{x})^2 + 2f_{yz}(\mathbf{x})^2 + 2f_{zx}(\mathbf{x})^2) d\mathbf{x}$$

#### Known theory in the math literature

- Of all functions satisfying  $\{f(\mathbf{x}_i) = f_i\}$ , the minimizer of  $E_2$  is represented as RBFs with the following basis:
  - 1D case:  $\phi(x) = |x|^3$
  - 2D case:  $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \log \|\mathbf{x}\|$
  - 3D case:  $\phi(x) = ||x||$
- FYI
  - Finite Element Method: Find f minimizing  $E_2$  discretized over mesh
  - RBF: Find f minimizing  $E_2$  analytically

#### Additional linear term

- $E_2[f]$  is defined using 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative
  - $\rightarrow$  Any additional linear term  $p(\mathbf{x}) = ax + by + cz + d$  has no effect:

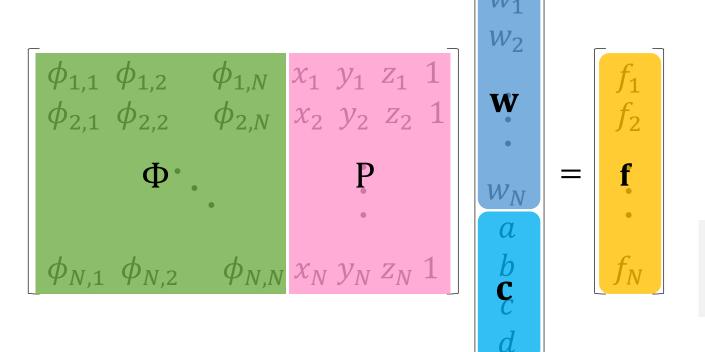
$$E_2[f+p] = E_2[f]$$

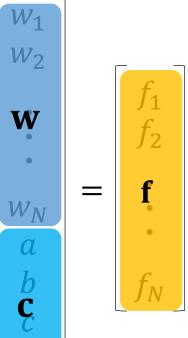
• Make f unique by regarding linear term as additional unknowns:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i \, \phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + ax + by + cz + d$$

With linear term 
$$f(\mathbf{x}_1) = w_1\phi_{1,1} + w_2\phi_{1,2} + \dots + w_N\phi_{1,N} + ax_1 + by_1 + cz_1 + d = f_1$$
  
 $f(\mathbf{x}_2) = w_1\phi_{2,1} + w_2\phi_{2,2} + \dots + w_N\phi_{2,N} + ax_2 + by_2 + cz_2 + d = f_2$ 

$$f(\mathbf{x}_N) = w_1 \phi_{N,1} + w_2 \phi_{N,2} + \dots + w_N \phi_{N,N} + ax_N + by_N + cz_N + d = f_N$$





4 unknowns *a*, *b*, *c*, *d* added → 4 new constraints needed

# Additional constraints: reproduction of all linear functions

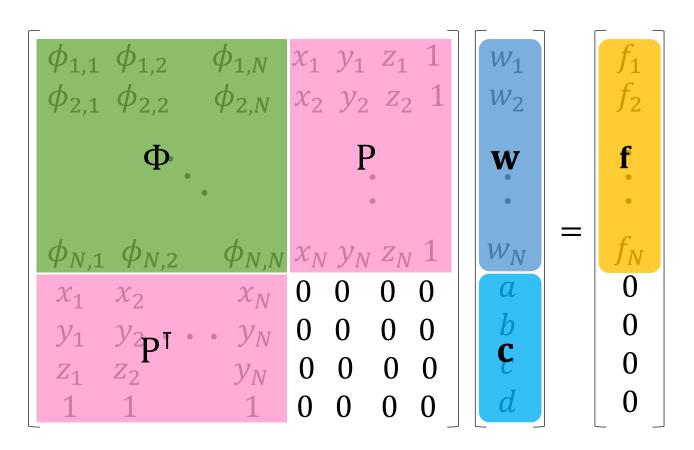
- "If all data points  $(\mathbf{x}_i, f_i)$  are sampled from a linear function, RBF should reproduce the original function"
- Additional constraints:

• 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} w_i = 0$$

$$\bullet \ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i w_i = 0$$

$$\bullet \ \sum_{i=1}^N y_i w_i = 0$$

$$\bullet \ \sum_{i=1}^{N} z_i w_i = 0$$



#### Introducing gradient constraints

• Introduce weighted sum of basis' gradient  $\nabla \phi$ :

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \{ w_i \phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + \mathbf{v}_i^{\mathsf{T}} \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) \} + ax + by + cz + d$$

• Gradient of *f* :

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \{ w_i \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + H\phi(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) \mathbf{v}_i \} + \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

• Incorporate gradient constraints  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \mathbf{n}_i$ 

$$H\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{xx} & \phi_{xy} & \phi_{xz} \\ \phi_{yx} & \phi_{yy} & \phi_{yz} \\ \phi_{zx} & \phi_{zy} & \phi_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Introducing gradient constraints

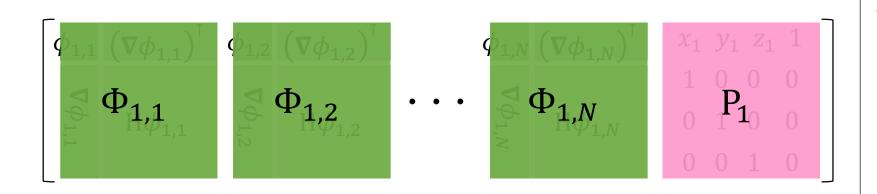
#### • 1<sup>st</sup> data point:

Value constraint:

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1) = w_1 \phi_{1,1} + \mathbf{v}_1^{\mathsf{T}} \nabla \phi_{1,1} + w_2 \phi_{1,2} + \mathbf{v}_2^{\mathsf{T}} \nabla \phi_{1,2} + \dots + w_N \phi_{1,N} + \mathbf{v}_N^{\mathsf{T}} \nabla \phi_{1,2}$$

Gradient constraint:

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}_1) = w_1 \nabla \phi_{1,1} + H \phi_{1,1} \mathbf{v}_1 + w_2 \nabla \phi_{1,2} + H \phi_{1,2} \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + w_N \nabla \phi_{1,N} + H \mathbf{v}_1 \nabla \phi_{1,N} + \mathbf{v}_2 \nabla \phi_{1,N} + \mathbf{v}_3 \nabla \phi_{1,N} + \mathbf{v}_4 \nabla \phi_{1,N} +$$



 $w_1$ 

 $\mathbf{V}_1$ 

 $W_2$ 

 $\mathbf{v}_2$ 

 $by_1 + cz_1 + d = f_1$ 

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 $\begin{vmatrix} a \\ b \end{vmatrix} = \mathbf{n}$ 

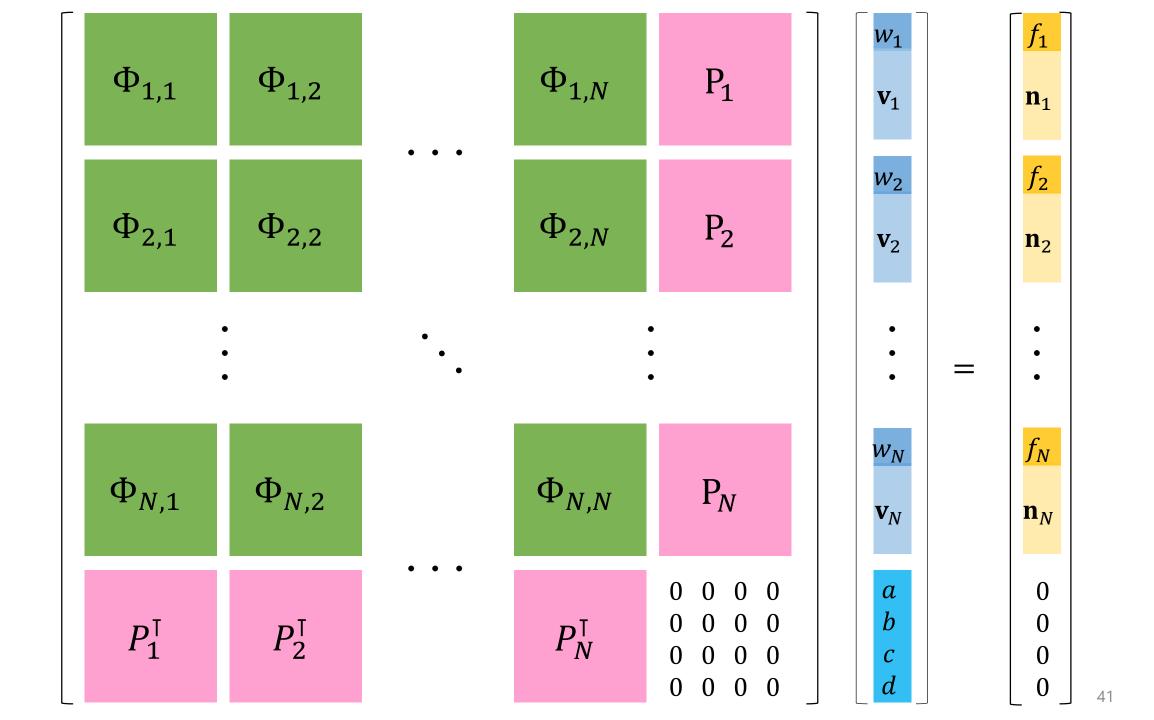
 $v_N$ 

 $\mathcal{I}_N$ 

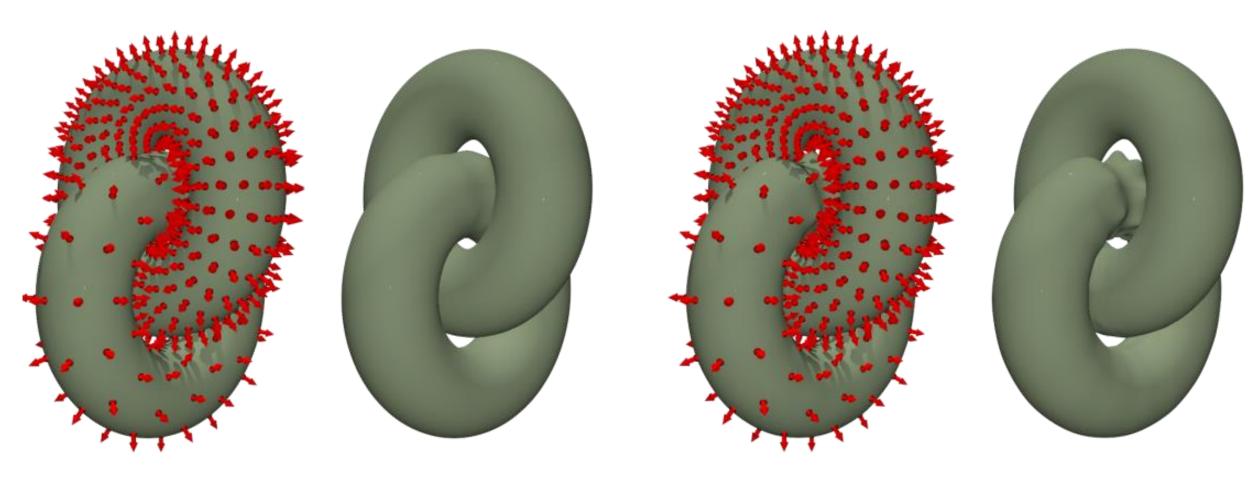
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a b c  $\mathbf{n}_1$ 

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# Comparison



**Gradient constraints** 

Simple offsetting with value constraints only

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