

# Mesh Addition Based on the Depth Image (MABDI)

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# Overview

Motivation for this work: provide a map of the environment

Examples applications:

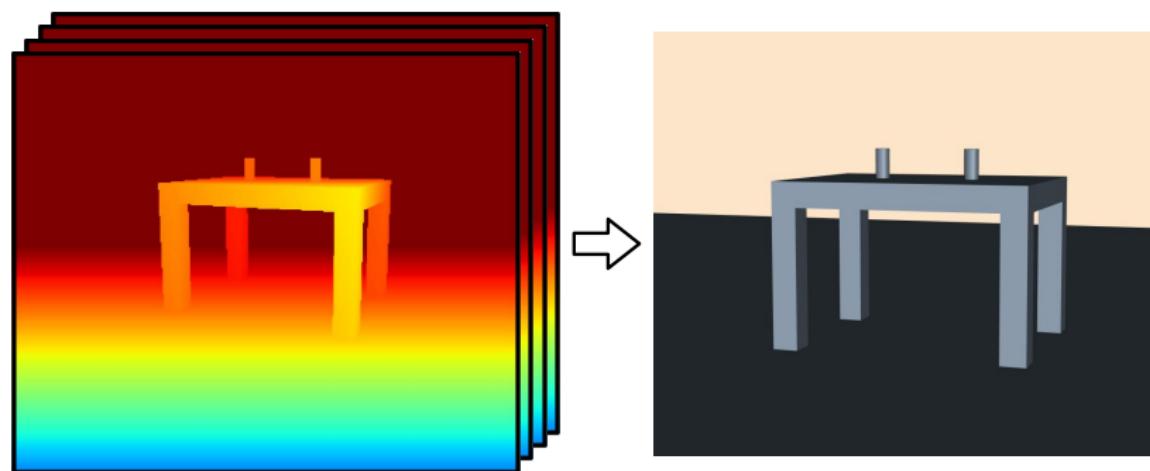
- Autonomous agents (robots)
- Teleoperation (human)

# Overview

In the literature this is referred to as the SLAM problem

- Simultaneous Localization and Mapping
- Environmental Mapping
- Research began around 1987
- Sensing and computing technology

# Overview

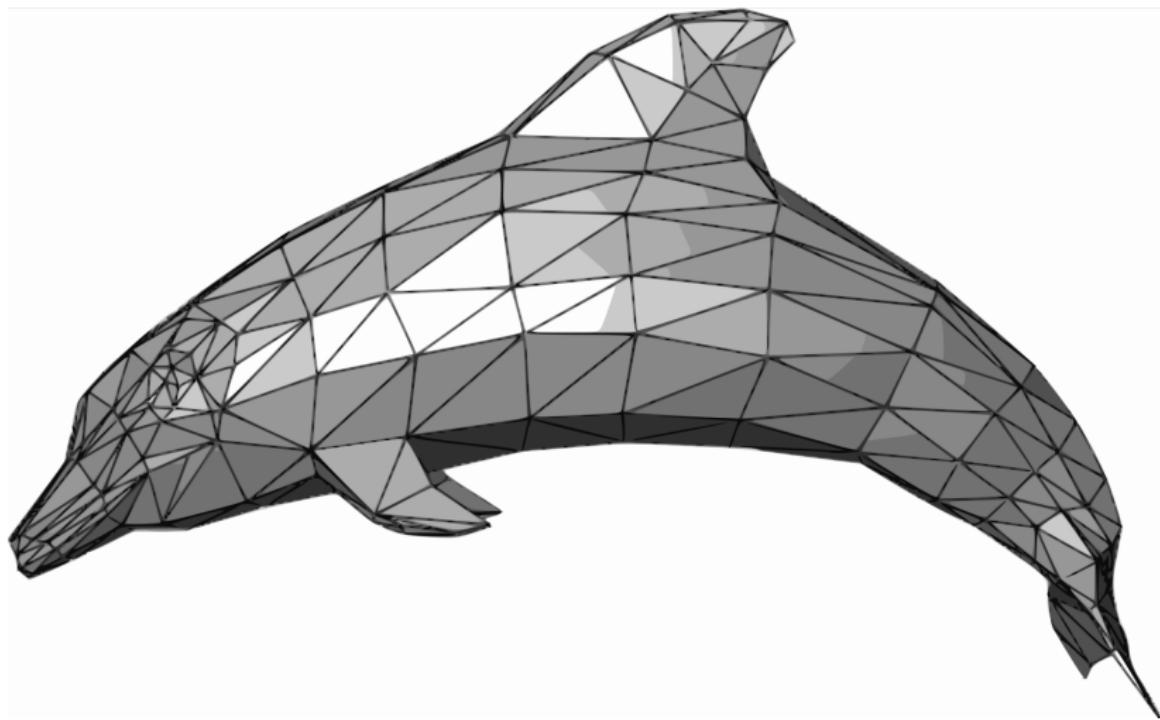


# RBG-D Sensor



- 30 frames per second
- D - 9 million pixel values per second
- Algorithms must handle a high rate of data

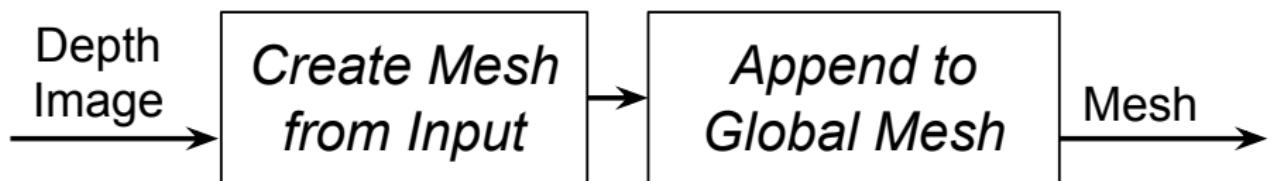
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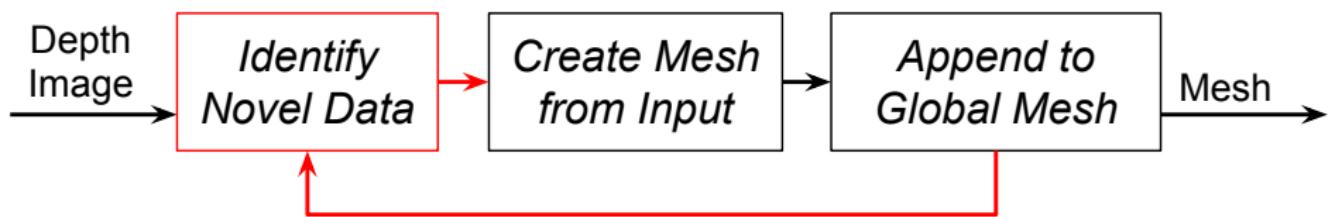
# Mesh

- Supported
- Computationally Inexpensive
- Low Memory Requirement

# Pipeline



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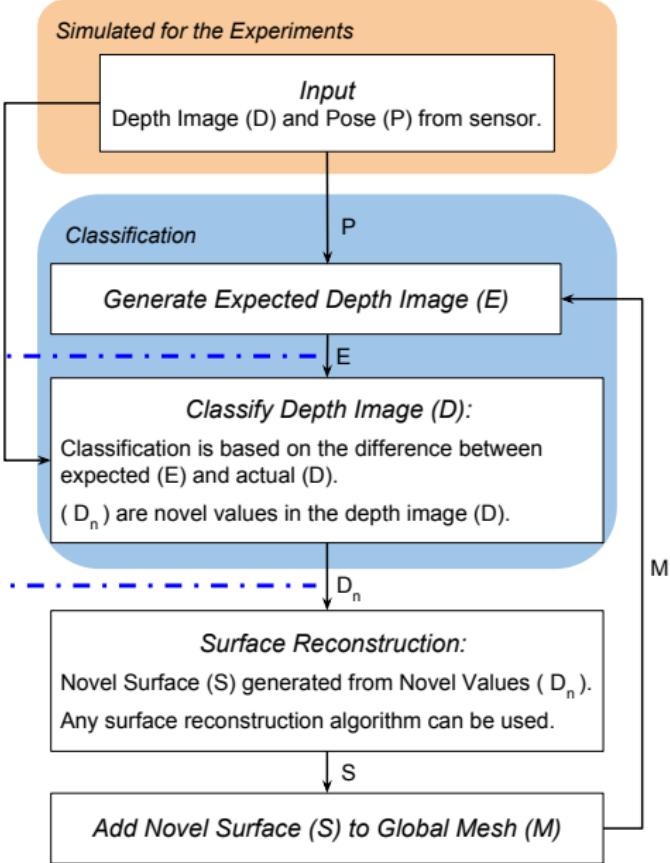
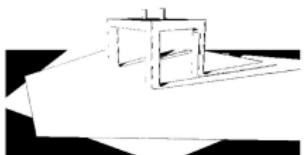
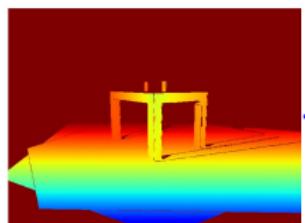
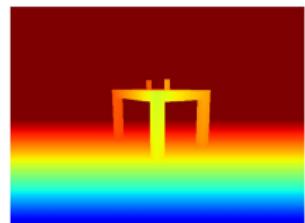
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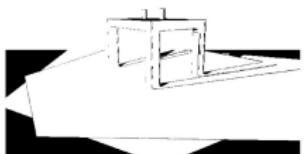
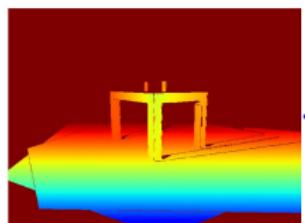
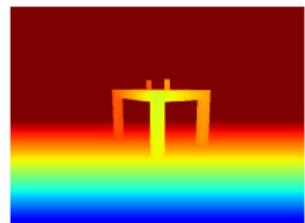
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Simulated for the Experiments

*Input*

Depth Image ( $D$ ) and Pose ( $P$ ) from sensor.

Classification

Generate Expected Depth Image ( $E$ )

$P$

Classify Depth Image ( $D$ ):

Classification is based on the difference between expected ( $E$ ) and actual ( $D$ ).  
 $(D_n)$  are novel values in the depth image ( $D$ ).

$E$

Surface Reconstruction:

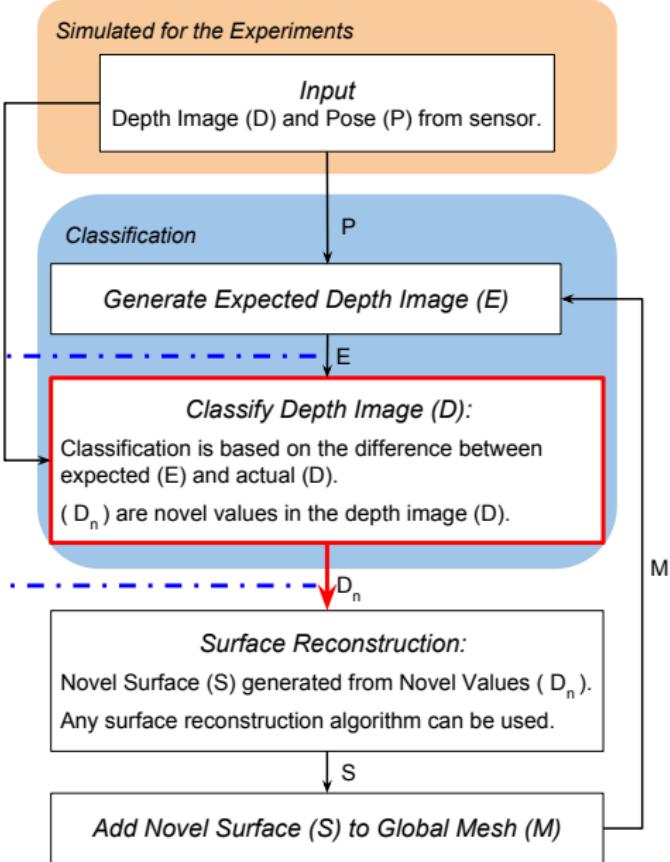
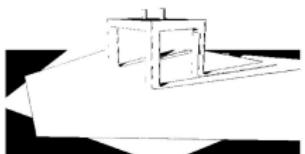
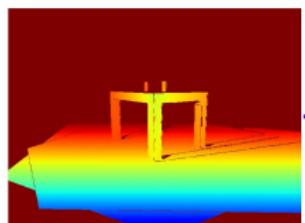
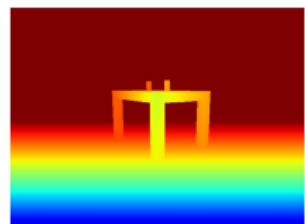
Novel Surface ( $S$ ) generated from Novel Values ( $D_n$ ).  
Any surface reconstruction algorithm can be used.

$D_n$

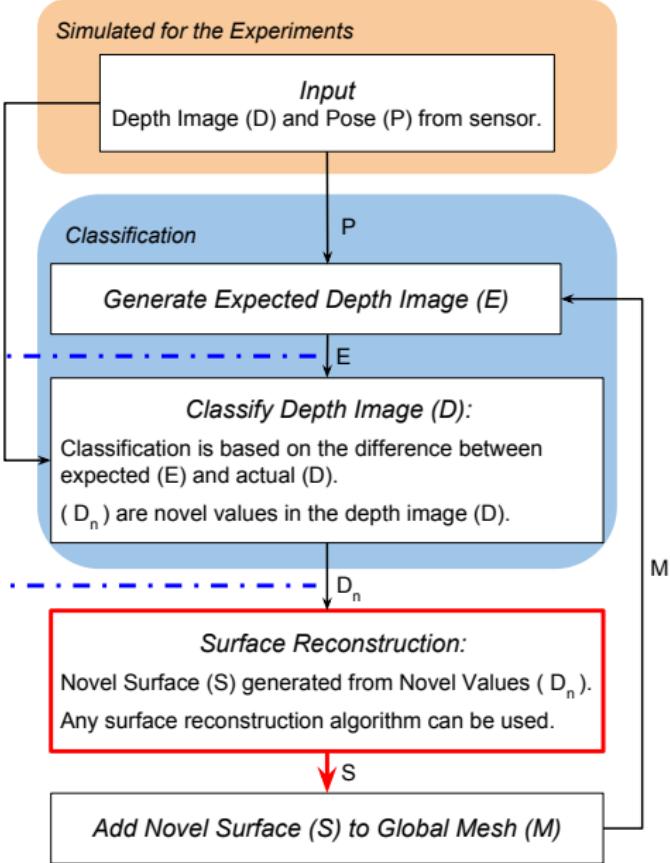
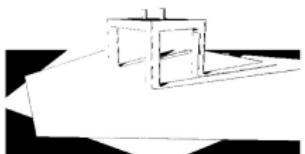
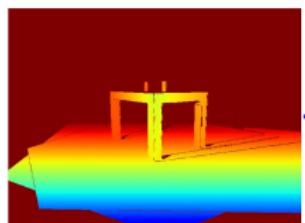
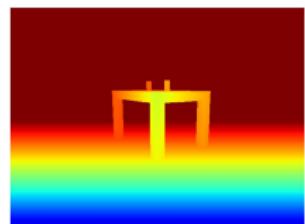
Add Novel Surface ( $S$ ) to Global Mesh ( $M$ )

$M$

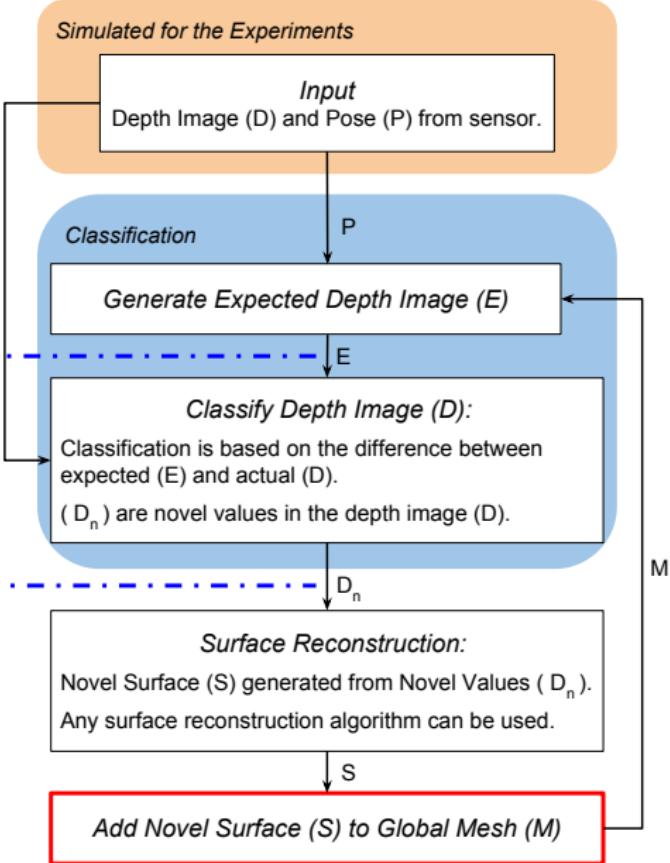
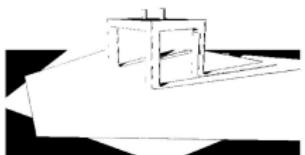
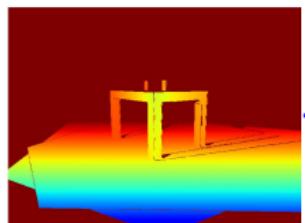
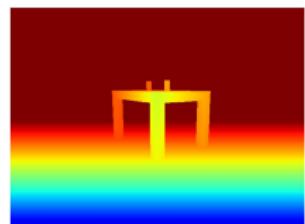
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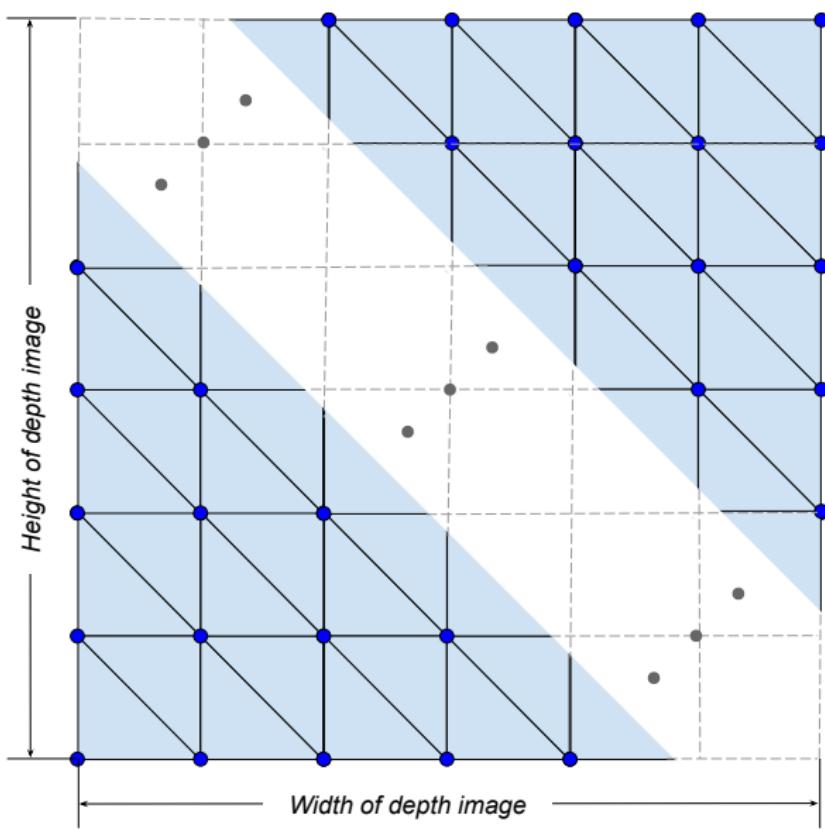
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Surface Reconstruction component is responsible for creating the novel surface  $S$  from the novel points  $D_n$

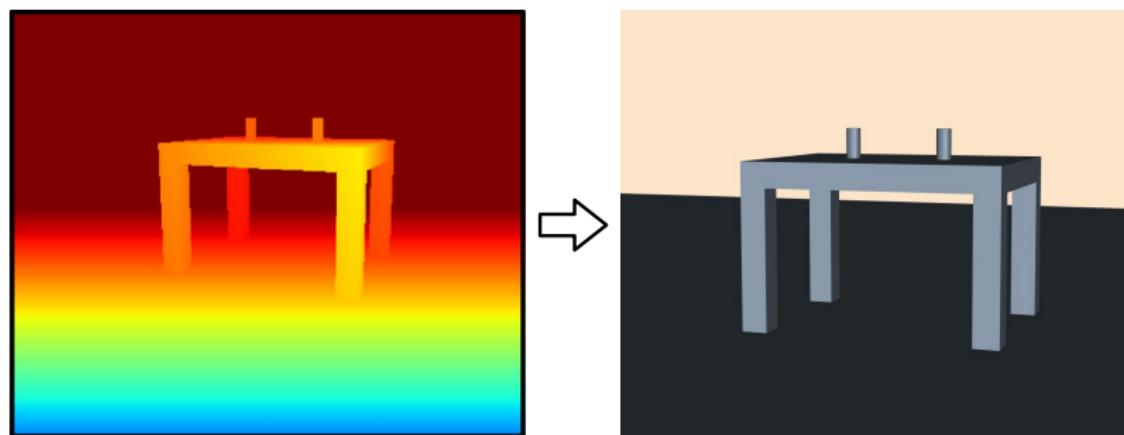
My Method:

- Define topology in 2D, on the depth image
- Project to 3D
- Remove elements

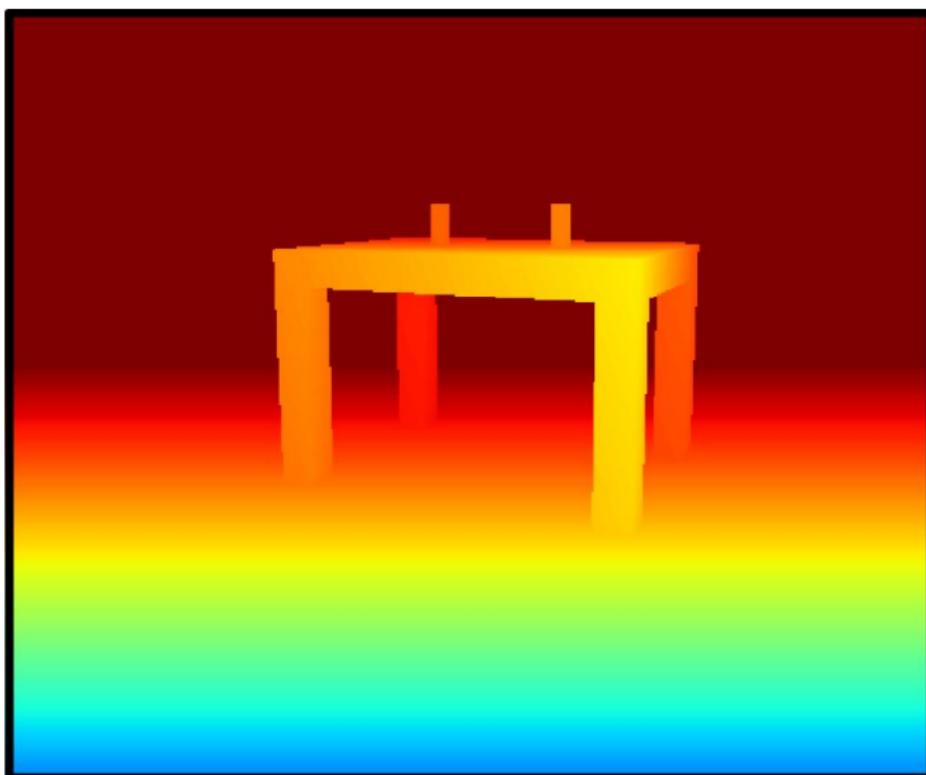
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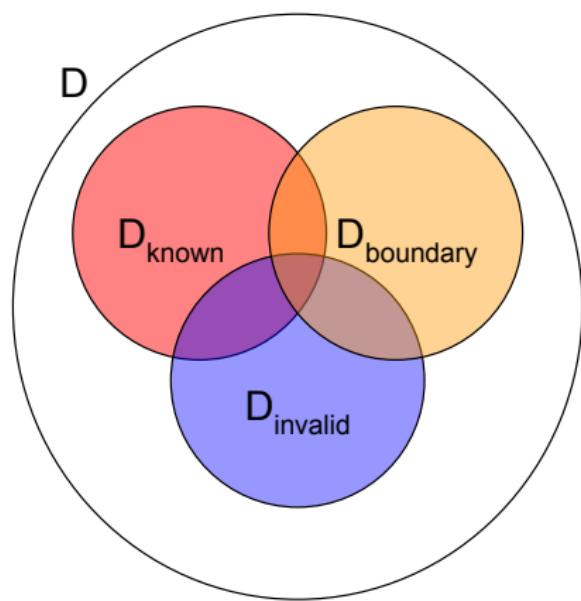
# Initial Mesh



# Removing elements



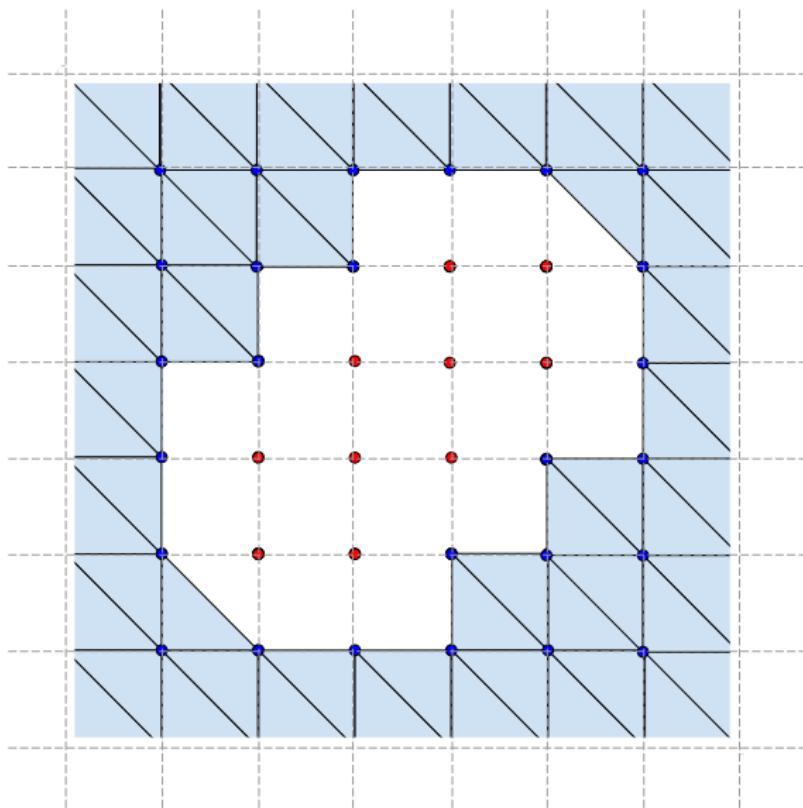
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$$D_n = |D - E| > threshold$$

$$D_{known} = D \setminus D_n$$

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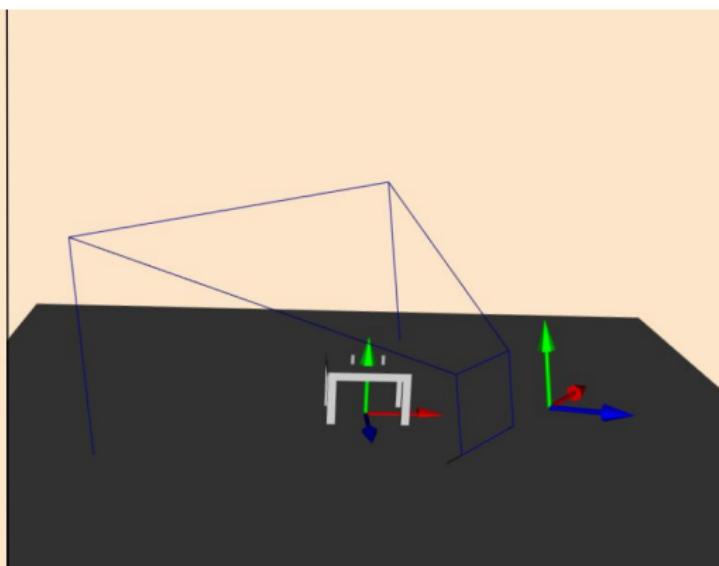
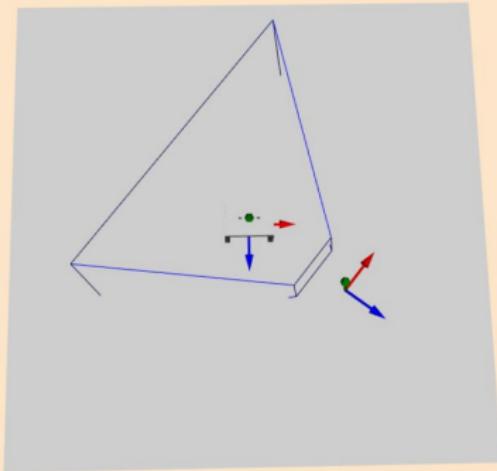
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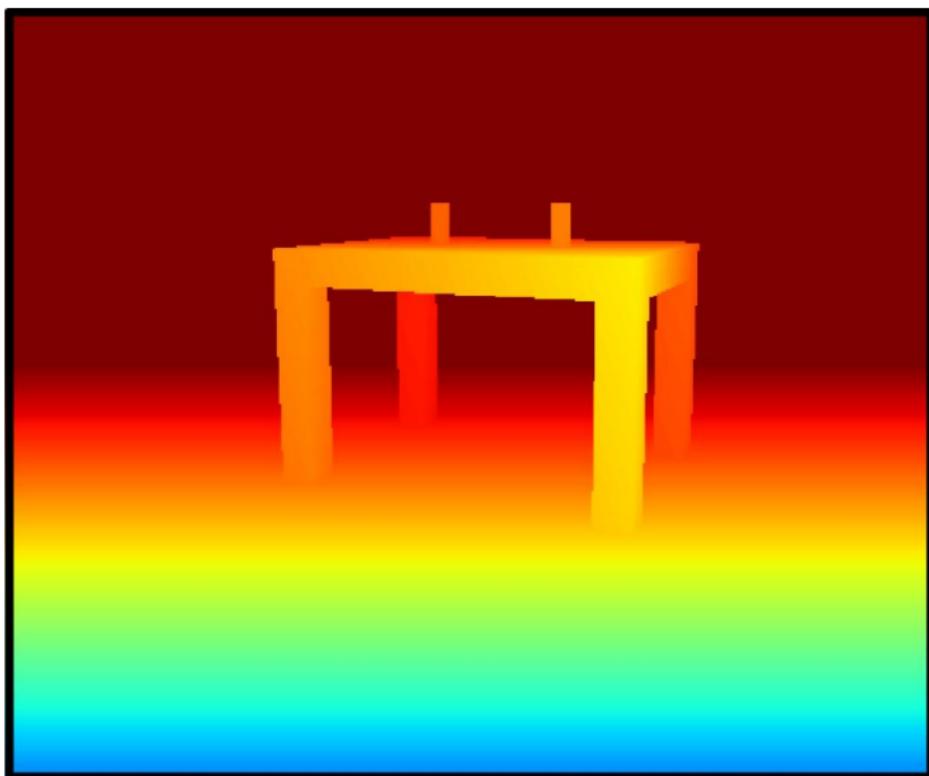
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# Simulating a RGB-D Sensor

- Adding noise to the depth image
- Sensor path

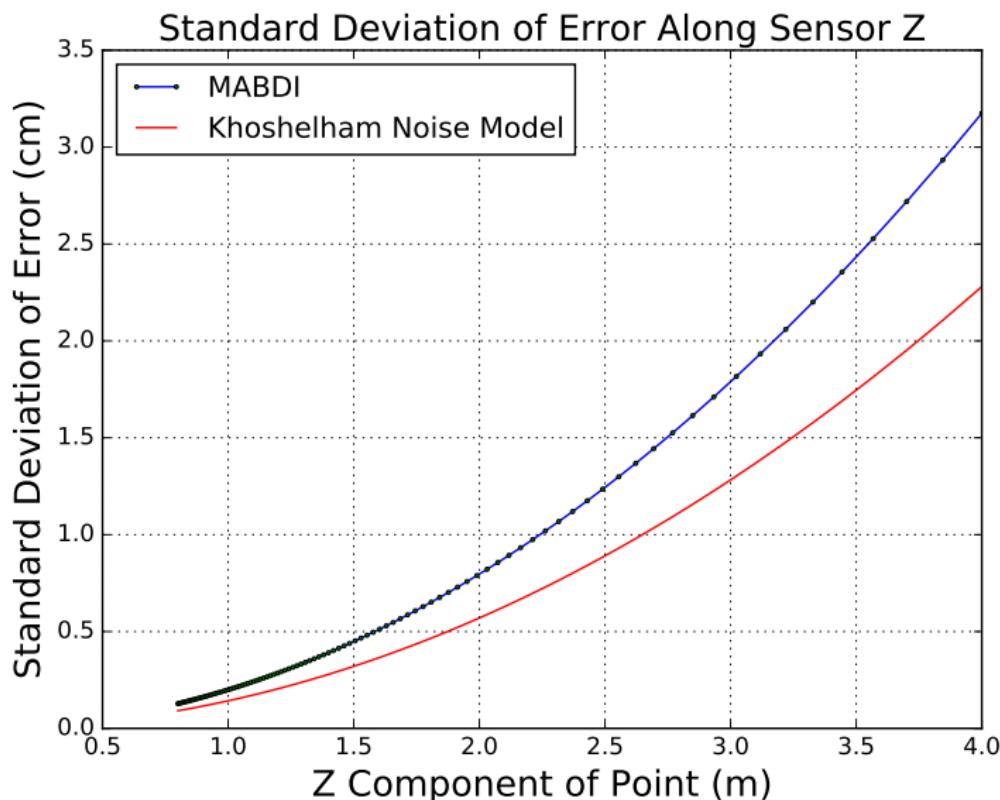
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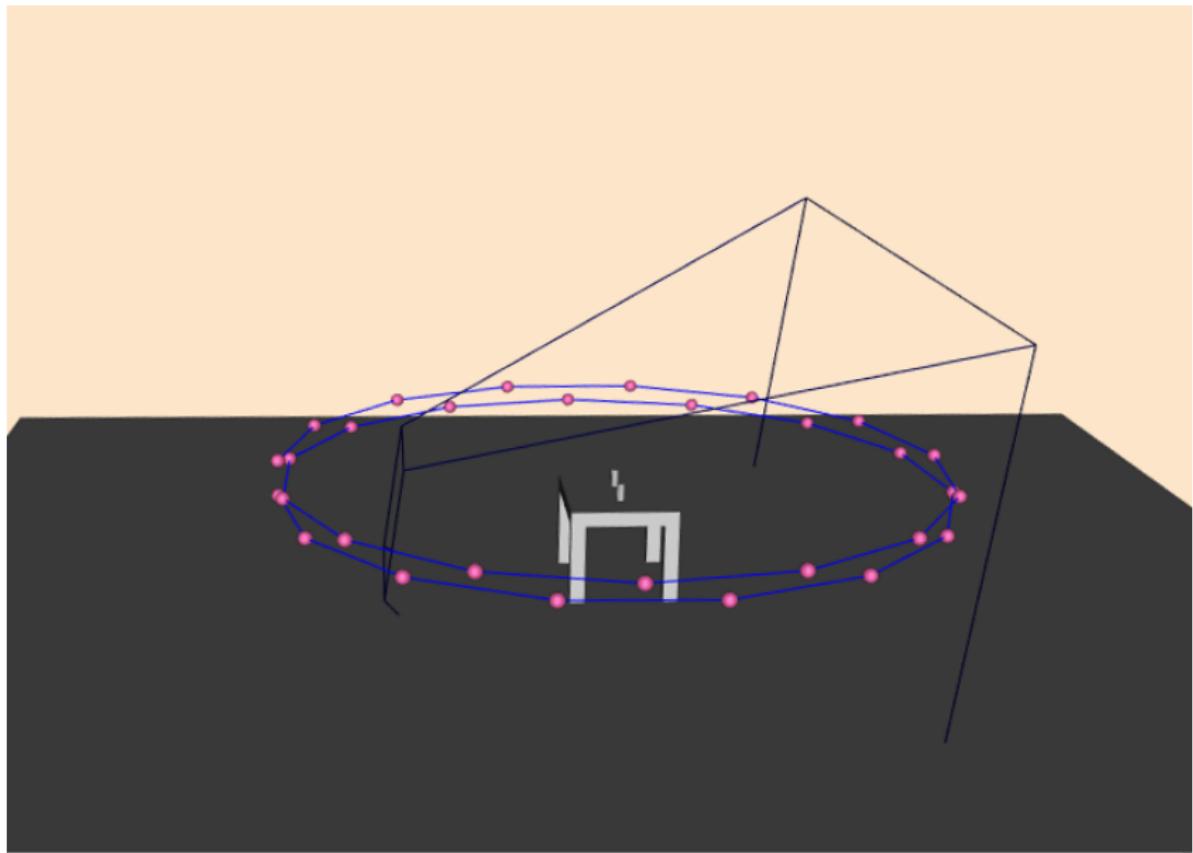
# Adding Noise

$$D_{noisy}(i, j) = D(i, j) + \mathcal{N}(\mu=0, \sigma=0.002)$$

# Adding Noise



# Sensor Path



# Simulation Parameters

	Environment	Noise	Dynamic	Iterations
Experiment 1	Table	False	False	30
Experiment 2	Bunnies	True	False	50
Experiment 3	Bunnies	True	True	50

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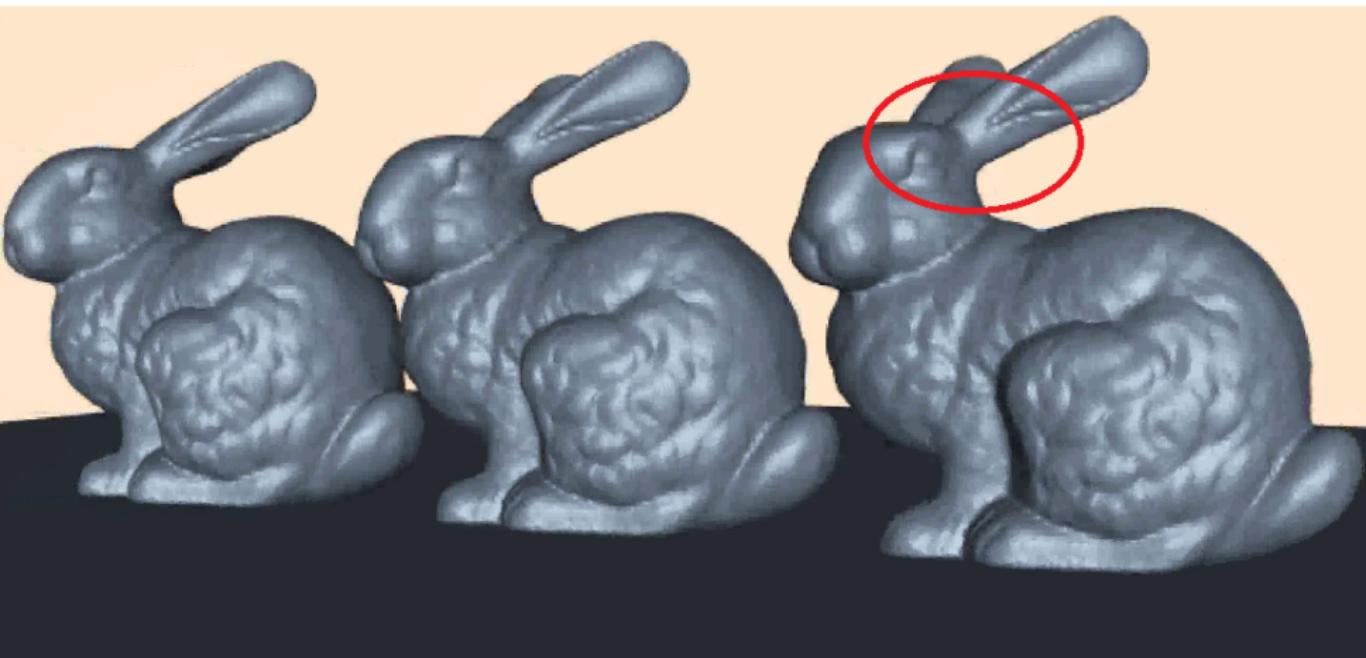
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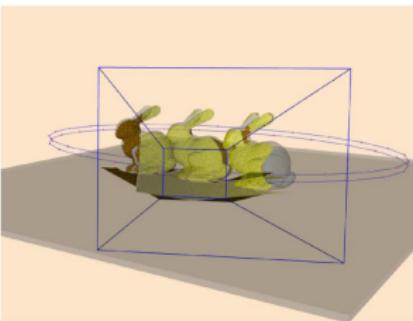
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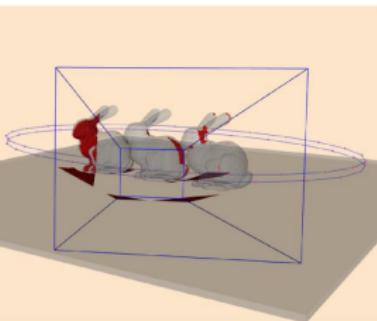


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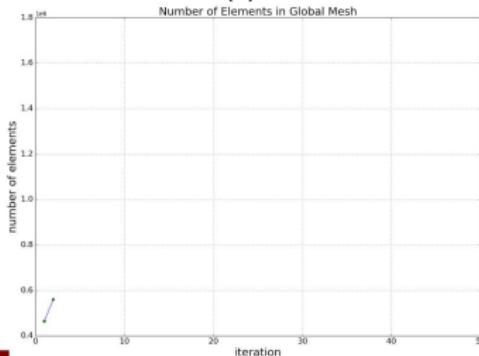
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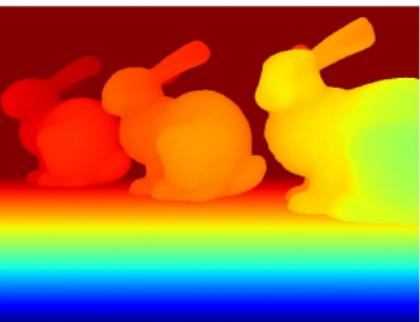
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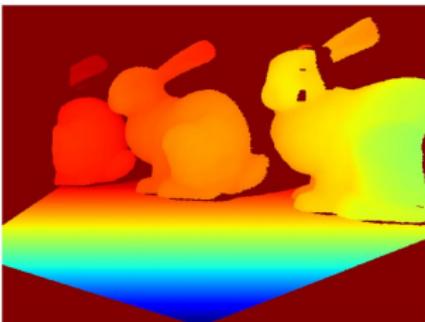
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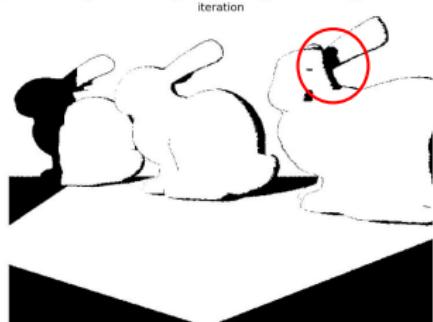
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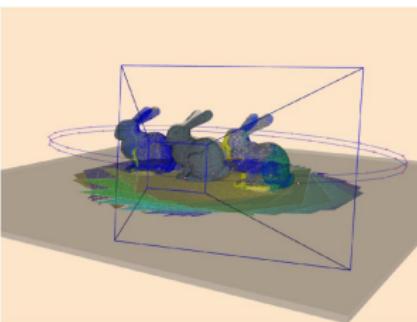


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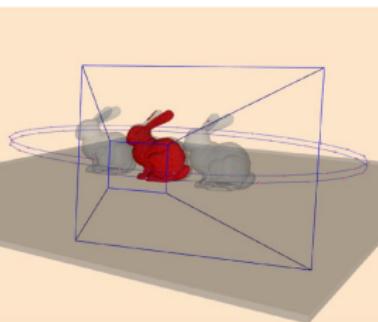


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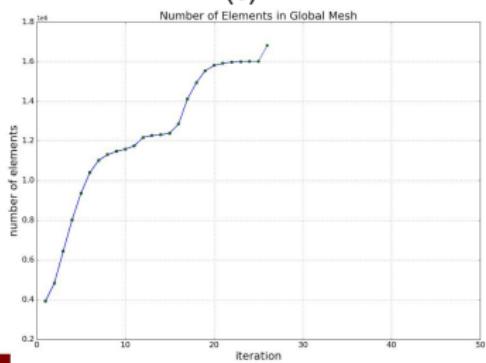
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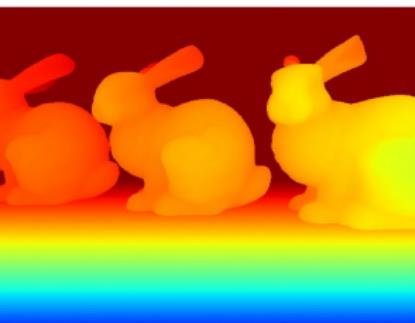
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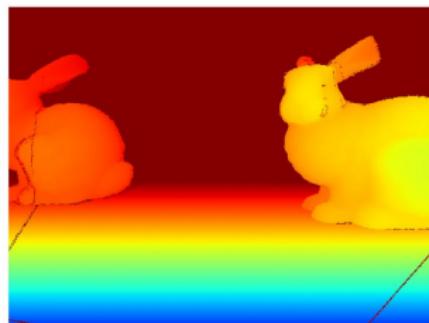
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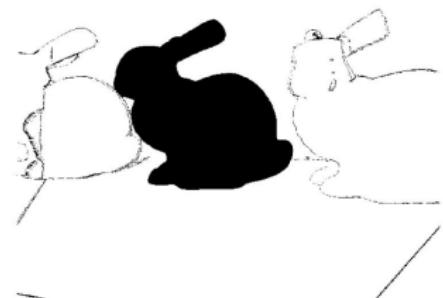
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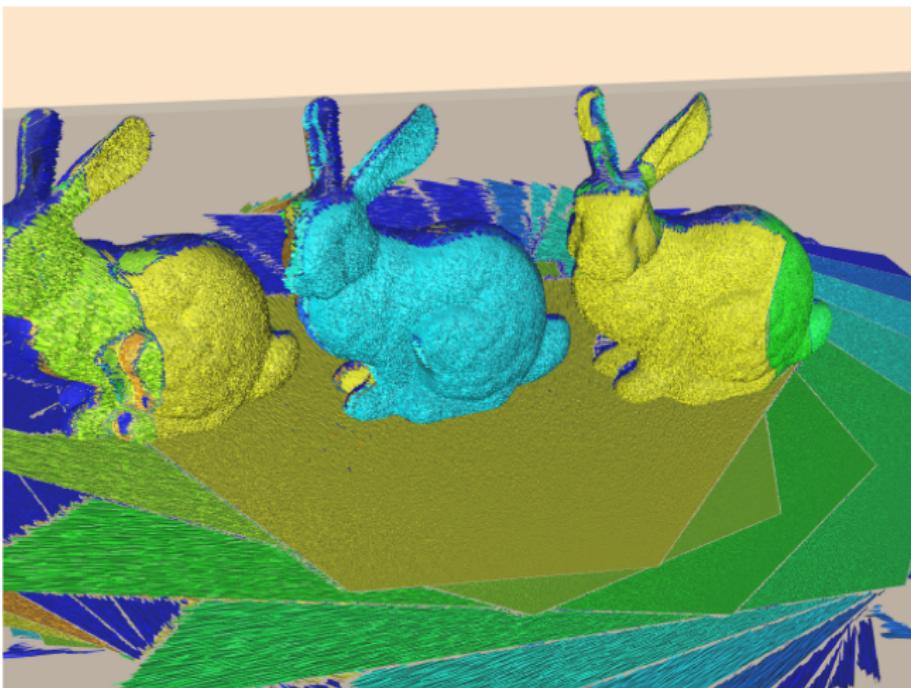
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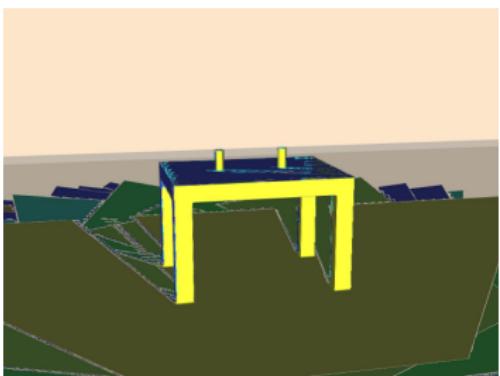
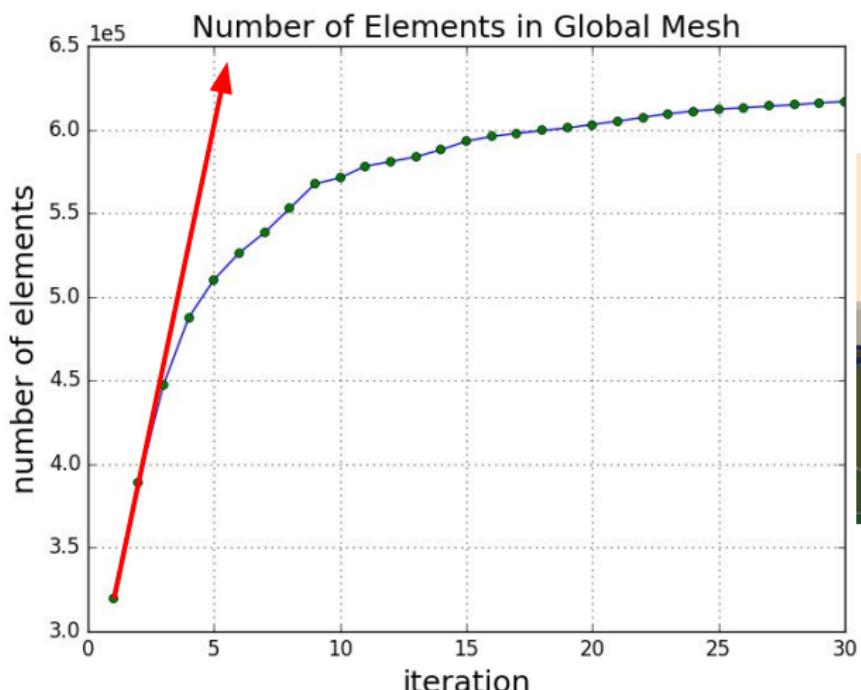
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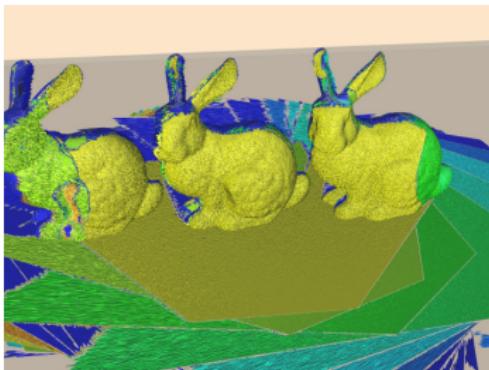
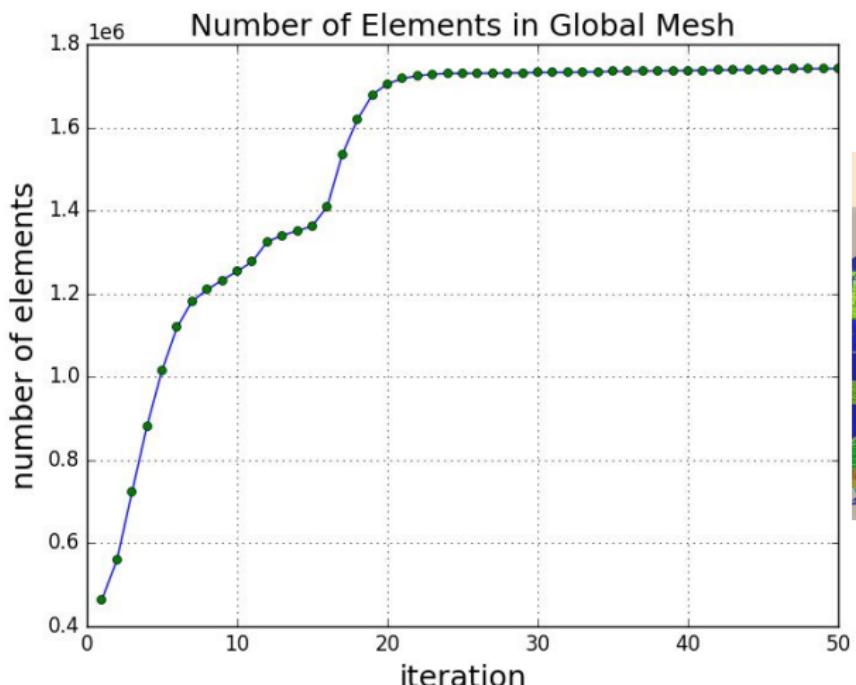
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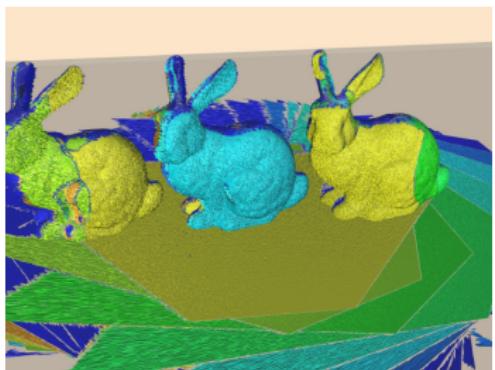
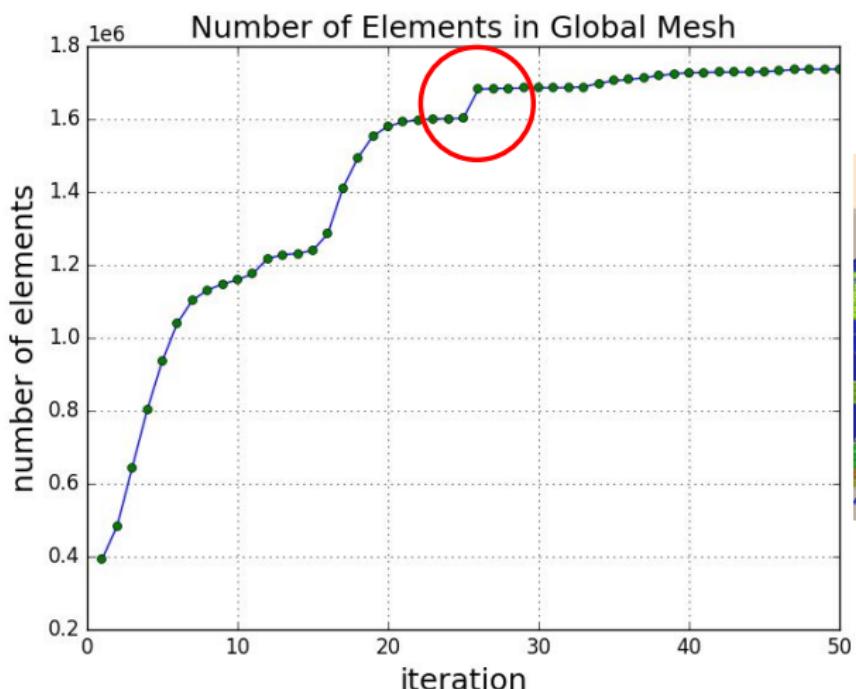
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