

Variational Methods for Generating Optimal Tessellations and Their Applications

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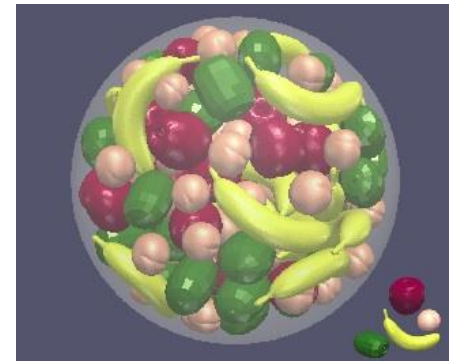
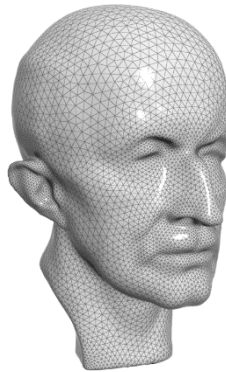
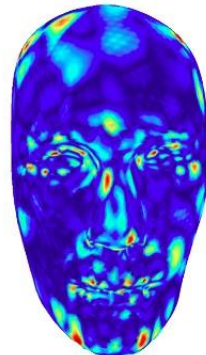
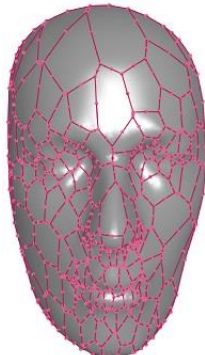
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Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation (CVT)

Voronoi Tessellation

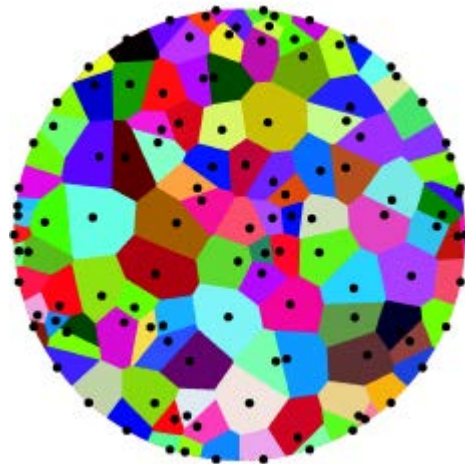
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□ **Voronoi diagram** induced by a set of points (called sites or seeds):
subdivision of the plane where the faces correspond to the regions where one site is closest.

■ Let Ω be a closed region in \mathbb{R}^n and $X = \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

For any $\mathbf{x}_i \in X$, its Voronoi cell is defined as:

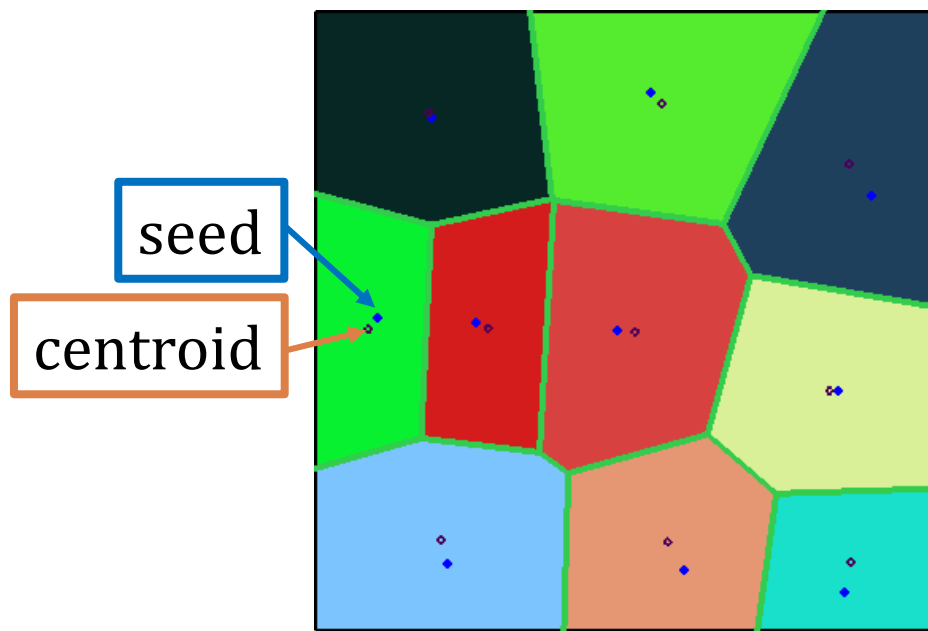
$$V_i = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \Omega, s.t. \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\| \leq \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_j\|, \forall j \neq i \}$$



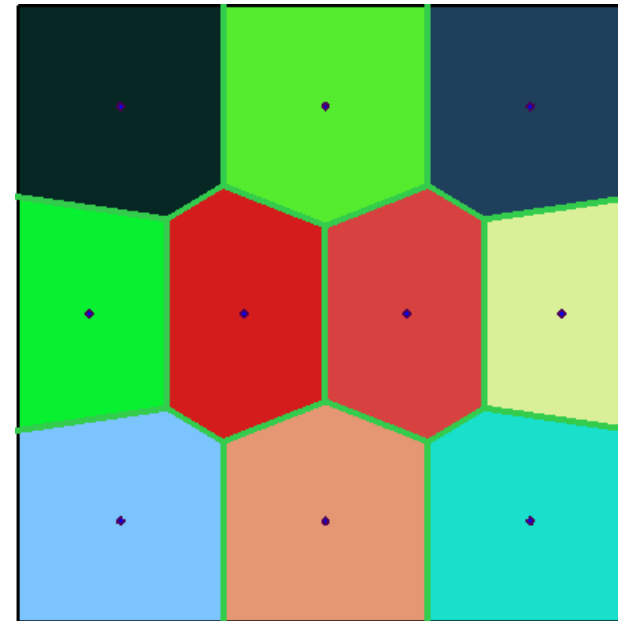
Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation

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- *Definition:* A Voronoi Tessellation is a centroidal Voronoi tessellation (CVT), if each seed coincides with the centroid of its Voronoi cell



Generic VT



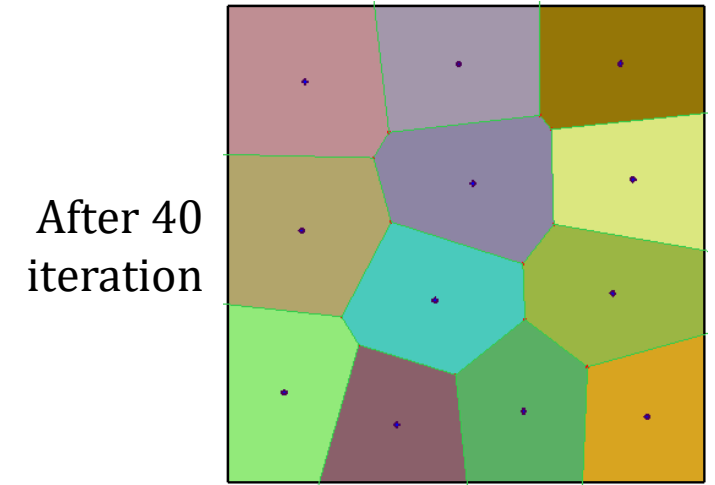
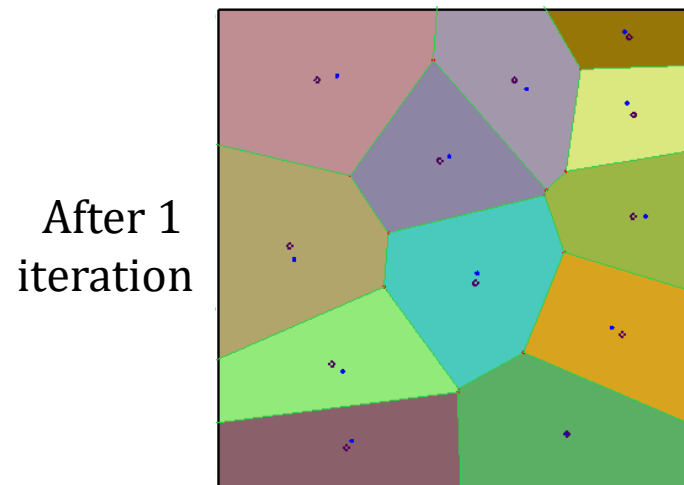
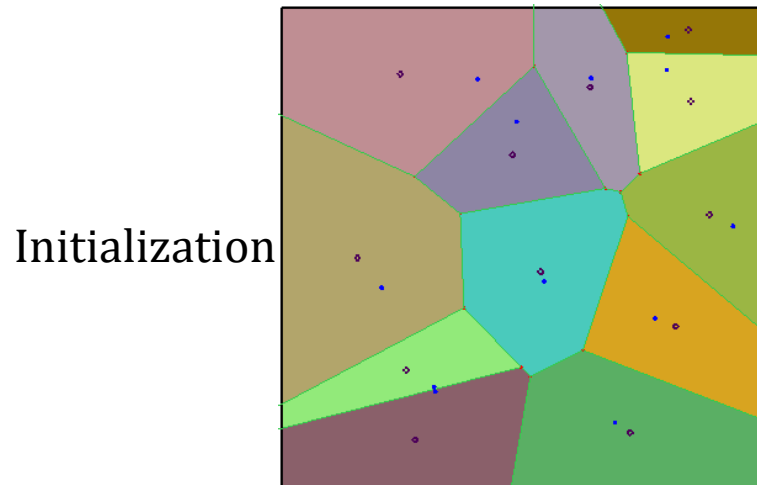
CVT

CVT Computation

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□ Lloyd's method [Lloyd 1982]

1. Construct the VT $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^N$ associated with the points $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$
2. Compute the centroids of the Voronoi regions $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^N$; these centroids are the new set of points $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$
3. Check the stop criterion; if satisfied, terminate; otherwise, return to step 1



Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation

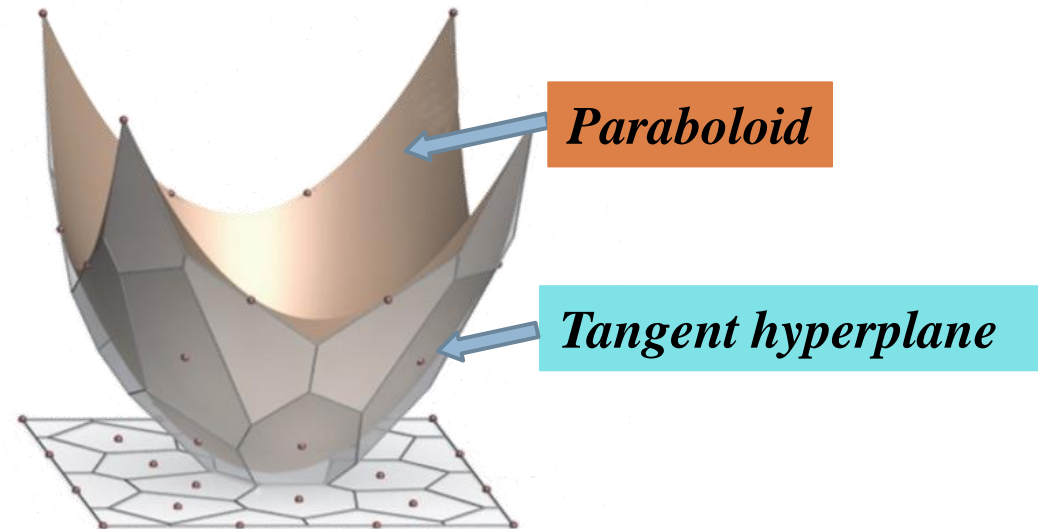
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□ *Definition* (Variational point of view)

- CVT energy function:

$$\mathcal{E}_{CVT}(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{V}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2 d\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} \left(\mathbf{x}^2 - (2\mathbf{x}_i^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i^2) \right) d\mathbf{x}$$

□ Geometric interpretation



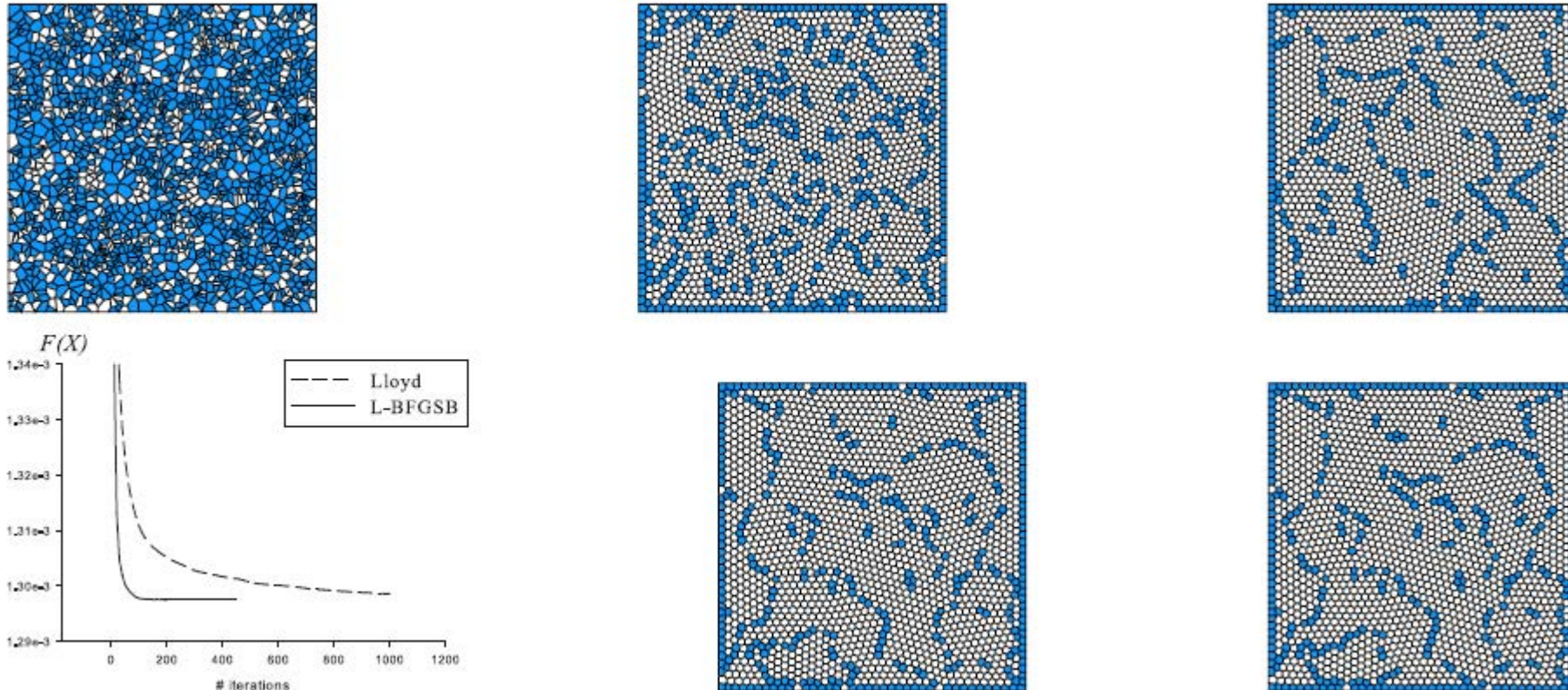
Fast Computation of CVT

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- CVT function is C^2 in a **convex** domain in 2D and 3D [Liu et al. 2009]
- Newton method: quadratic convergence, too costly to compute inverse Hessian for large n
- BFGS method: **super-linear convergence** if $F(X)$ is C^2 [Nocedal and Wright 1999]
- L-BFGS method: use only recent gradients to approximate inverse Hessian, low memory cost [Liu and Nocedal 1989]

Lloyd vs. L-BFGSB

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First row: (left) Initial Voronoi tessellation; (middle) after 100 Lloyd iterations; (right) after 1000 Lloyd iterations. **Second row:** (1): $F(X)$ vs # of iterations; (2) after 100 iterations by L-BFGSB; (3) after 1000 iterations by L-BFGSB [Liu et al. 2009]

II

Optimal Delaunay Triangulation (ODT)

Zhonggui Chen, Wenping Wang, Bruno Lévy, Ligang Liu, Feng Sun. *Revisiting Optimal Delaunay Triangulation for 3D Graded Mesh Generation*. *SIAM Journal on Scientific Computing*, 36(3), A930-A954, 2014

Optimal Delaunay Triangulation (ODT)

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- ODT energy function [L. Chen et al, 2004]:

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \|f - f_{I,\mathcal{T}}\|_{L^1(\Omega)} \\ &= \sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} \int_{\tau} f_I(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

where $X = \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^N$ is the set of seed points, $f(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|^2$, and $f_{I,\mathcal{T}}(\mathbf{x})$ is the linear interpolation of $f(\mathbf{x})$ based on the DT \mathcal{T} of a domain Ω

- ODT is defined as the global minimizer of $E(X)$ [[Chen et al, 2004](#)]

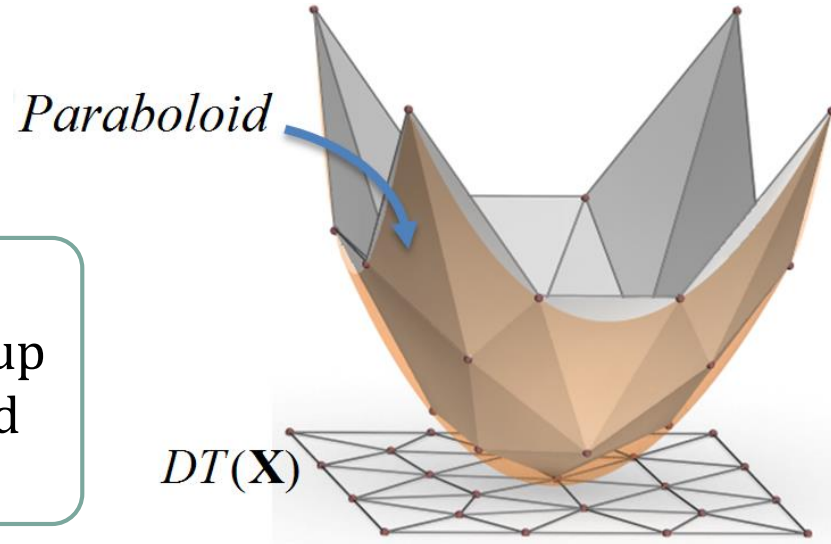
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Volume between the lift-up
of DT and the paraboloid



ODT Optimization

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- *AVV(averaged Voronoi vertex)* method
 - ▣ (connectivity update) Compute the DT of the current vertices;
 - ▣ (position update) Move the current vertex to

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \frac{1}{|\Omega_i|} \sum_{\tau_j \in \Omega_i} |\tau_j| \mathbf{c}_j$$

where \mathbf{c}_j is the circum-center of the triangle Ω_i in the 1-ring neighborhood τ_j of the vertex \mathbf{x}_i .

CVT & ODT Energies

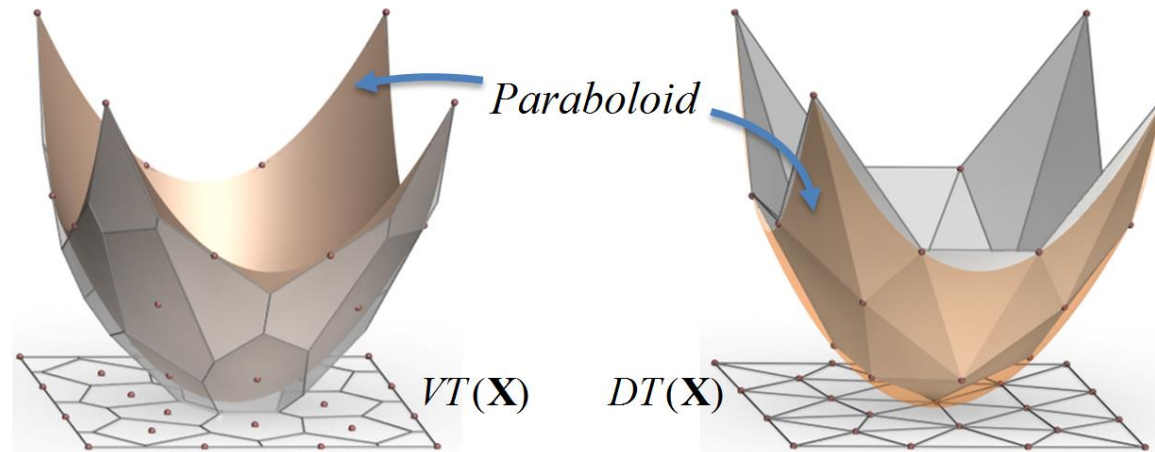
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□ CVT energy

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□ ODT energy

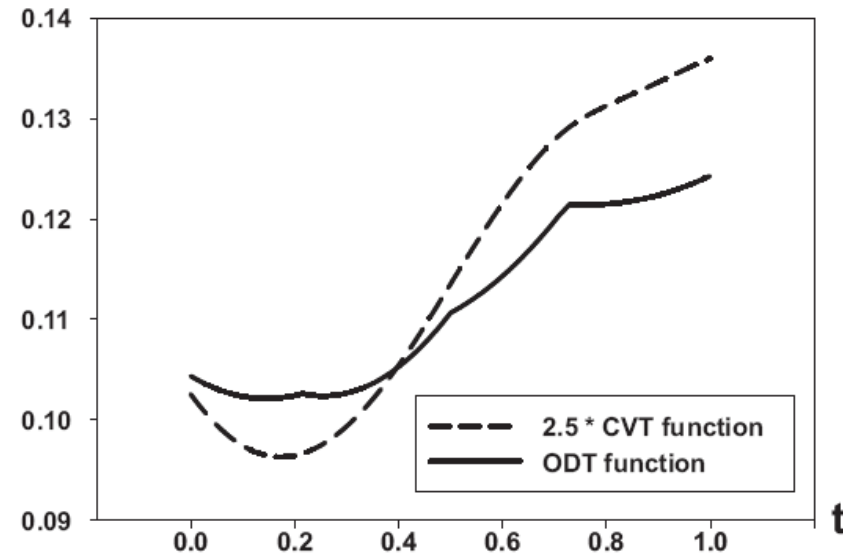
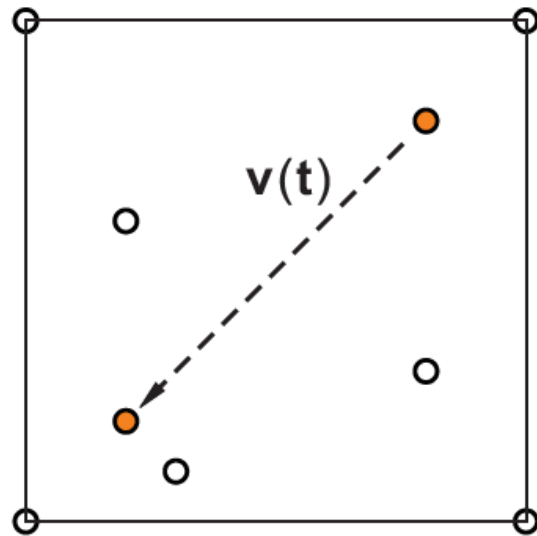
$$E(X) = \sum_{\tau \in T} \int_{\tau} f_I(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$



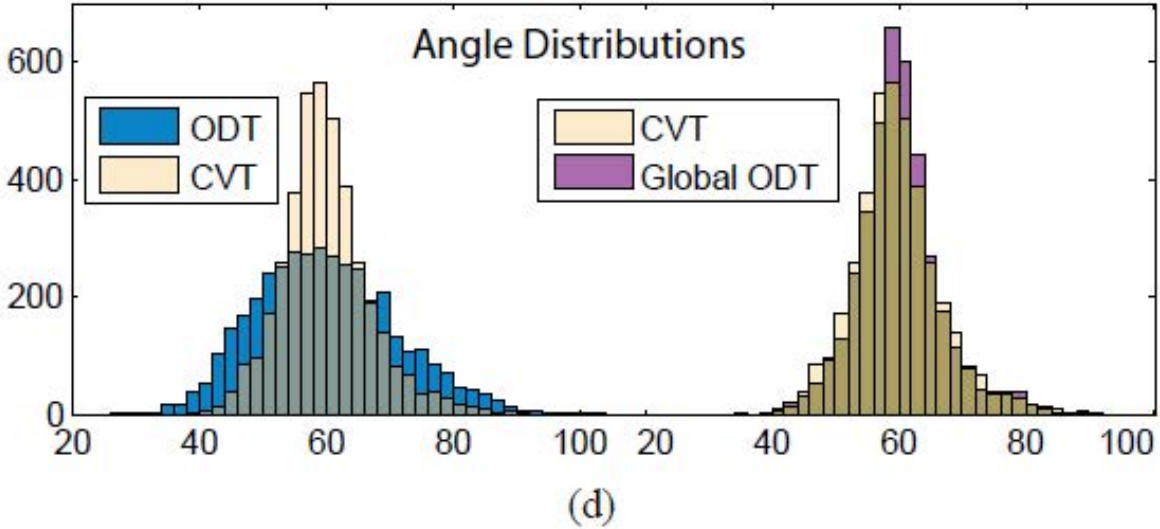
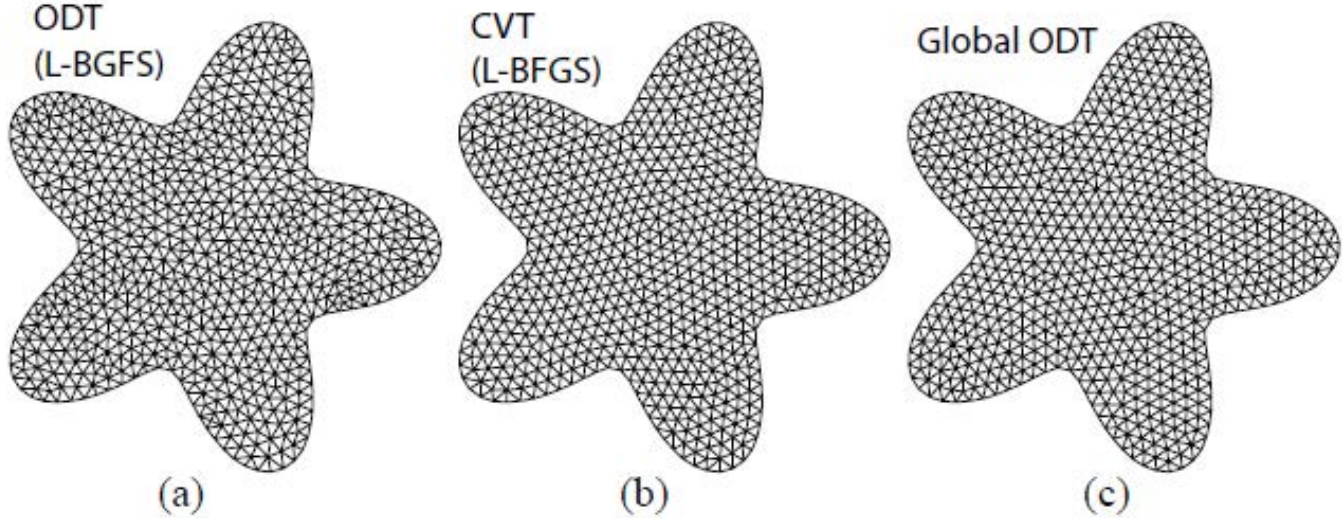
Energy Smoothness

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- ODT function only has C^0 continuity *

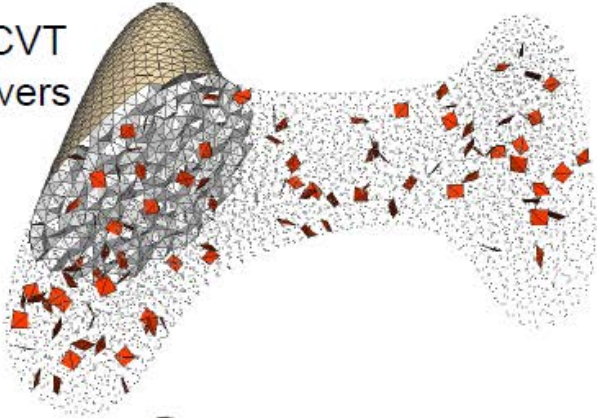


CVT vs. ODT (1)

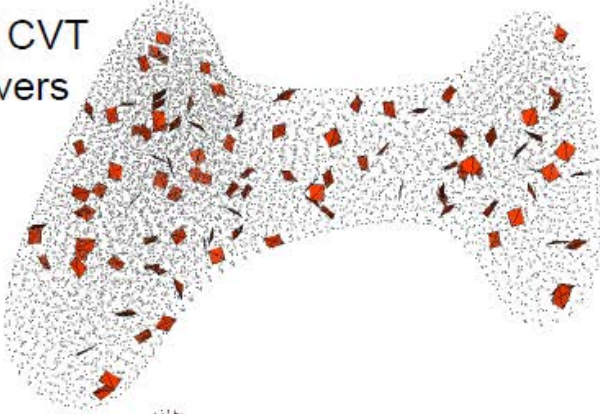


CVT vs. ODT (2)

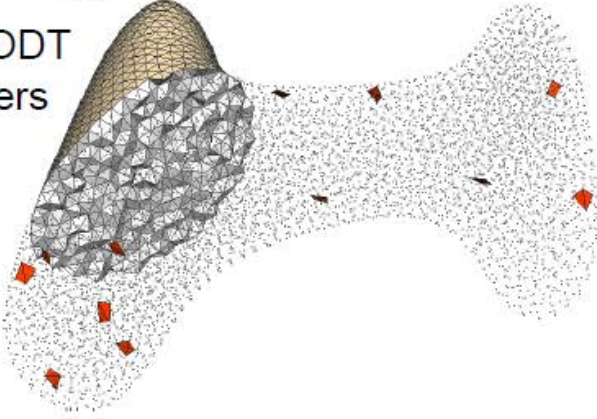
Local CVT
141 slivers
<10°



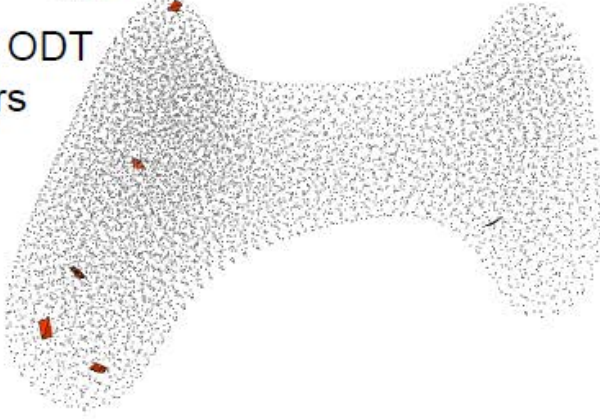
Global CVT
110 slivers
<10°



Local ODT
12 slivers
<10°



Global ODT
6 slivers
<10°



Constrained Centroidal Delaunay Mesh (CCDM)*

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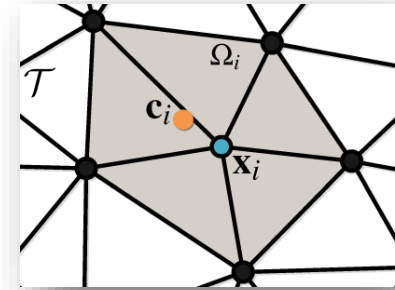
- For a compact surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^3$, the CCDM energy function is defined as:

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{M}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\Omega_i} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2 d\sigma$$

subject to: the vertices \mathbf{X} lie on the surface S ;

\mathcal{M} is a Delaunay mesh of \mathbf{X} ;

Ω_i is 1-ring neighbor patch of \mathbf{x}_i .

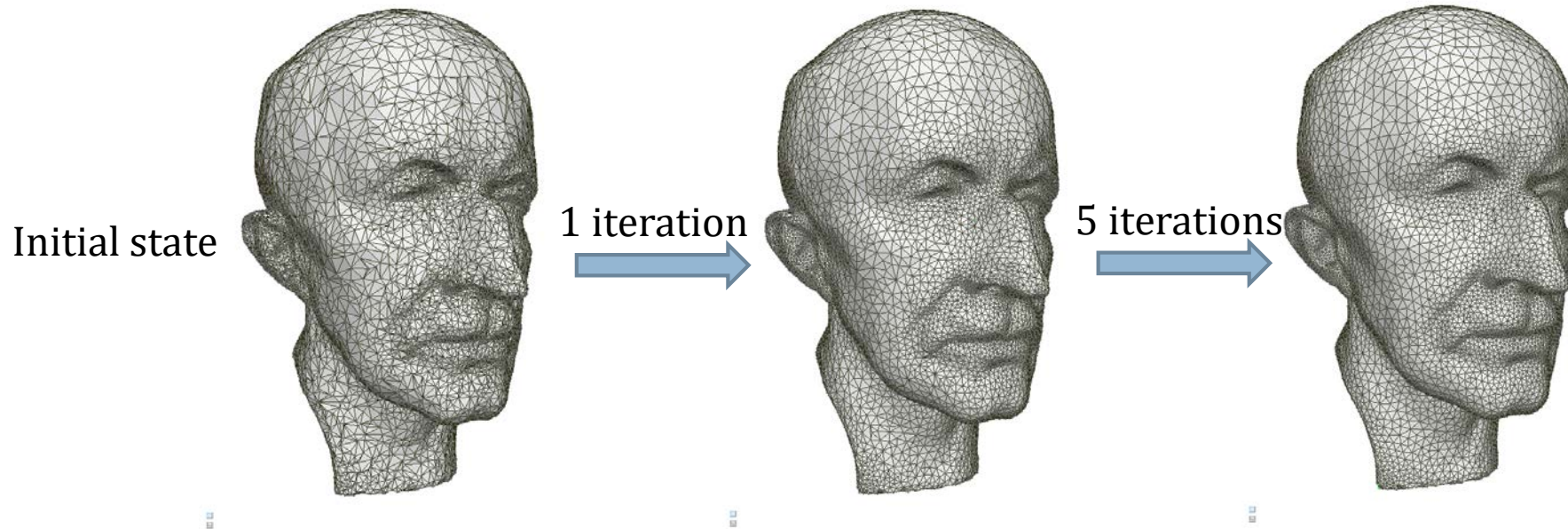


***Zhonggui Chen**, Juan Cao, Wenping Wang, *Isotropic Surface Remeshing Using Constrained Centroidal Delaunay Mesh*. **Computer Graphics Forum (Proc. Pacific Graphics)**, 31(7): 2077–2085, 2012

CCDM Computation

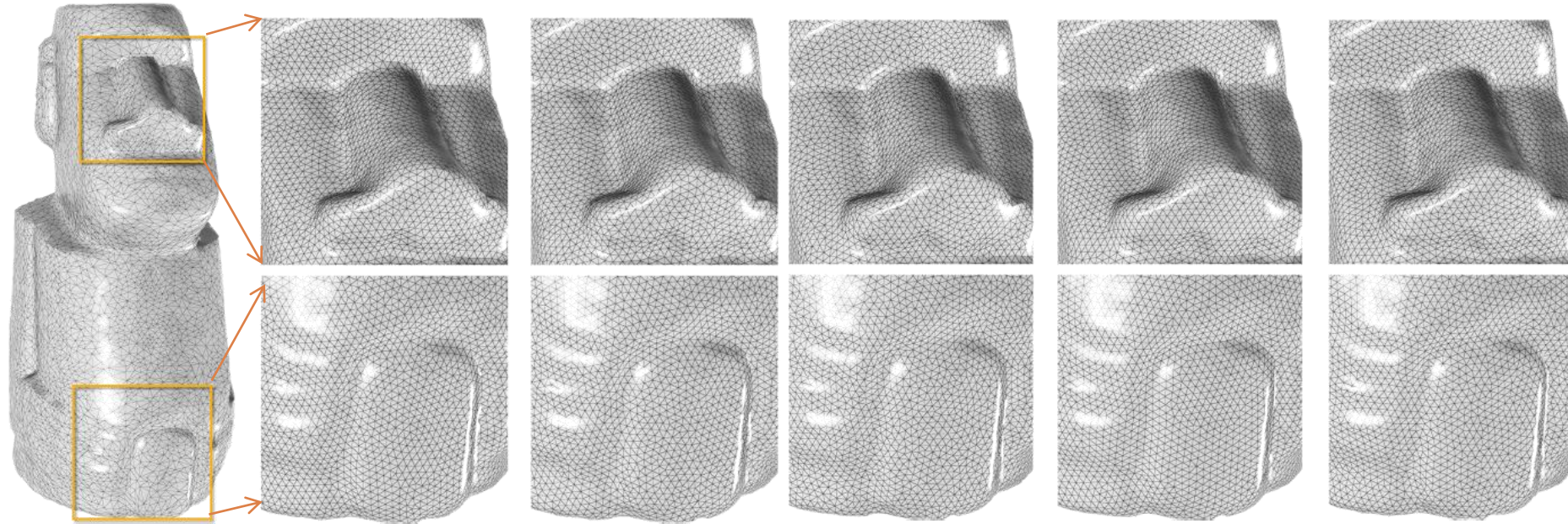
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- Optimization by a two-step iterative algorithm:
 - ▣ (*connectivity update*) generate the Delaunay mesh \mathcal{M}
 - ▣ (*vertex relocation*) move each vertex \mathbf{x}_i to the centroid \mathbf{c}_i of the corresponding patch Ω_i



CCDM Result

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Input Ours [Botsch and Kobbelt 04] [Valette et al. 08] [Yan et al. 09] [Fuhrmann et a. 10]

Model (#vert)	Method	Time (sec)	\angle (deg)			Aspect Ratio Avg	Error (10^{-3})	
			Avg	Min	$< 30^\circ$ (%)			
Moai (10,002 – 30,000)	Ours	21.35	54.21	38.22	0	0.934	0.645	3.72
	[BK04]	4.12	51.93	33.16	0	0.907	0.632	3.21
	[VCP08]	15.99	50.98	31.51	0	0.886	0.538	2.94
	CVT method [YLL*09]	263.16	54.80	38.79	0	0.939	0.636	2.80
	[FAKG10]	157.09	53.62	38.02	0	0.922	0.638	3.21

III

Capacity-constrained Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation (CapCVT)

Zhonggui Chen, Zhan Yuan, Yi-King Choi, Ligang Liu, Wenping Wang. **Variational Blue Noise Sampling**. *IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics*, 18(10):1784-1796, 2012

Capacity-Constrained Voronoi Tessellation (CapVT)

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A Voronoi tessellation $\{V_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is called a *capacity-constrained Voronoi tessellation* (CapVT) if its Voronoi cells satisfy the constraints:

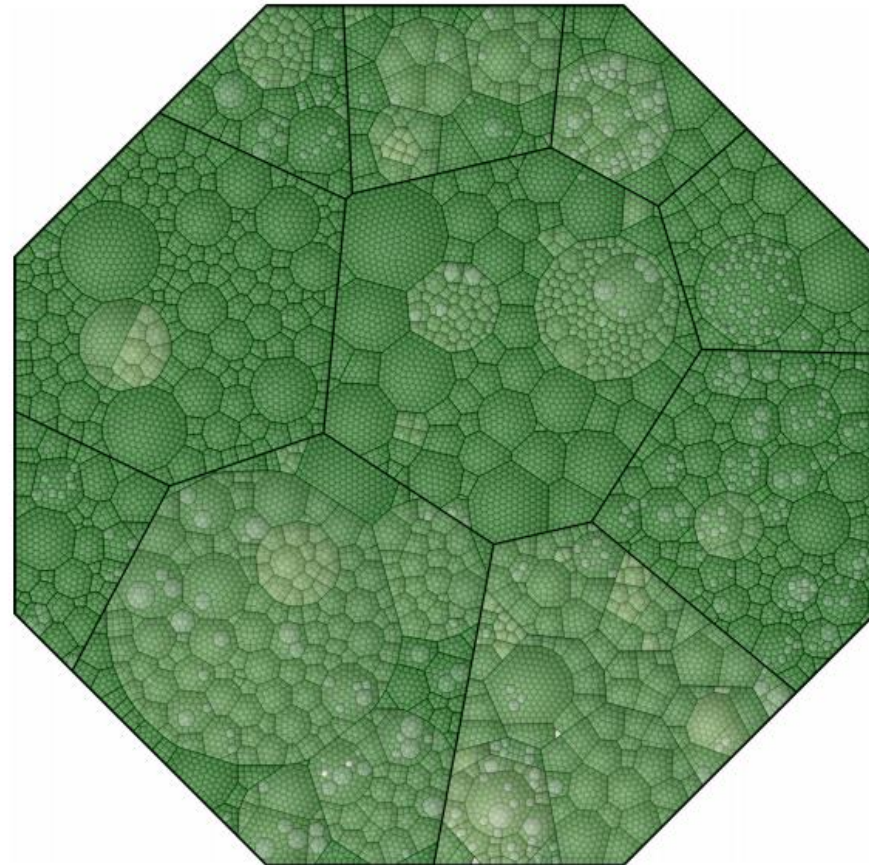
$$\int_{V_i} \varrho(\mathbf{x}) \, d\sigma = k_i \quad (i = 1, \dots, n),$$

where $\varrho(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ is a density function defined in Ω and the k_i are capacity constraints with $k_i > 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n k_i = \int_{\Omega} \varrho(\mathbf{x}) \, d\sigma$.

CapVT – Application

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- Voronoi Treemap: visualization of attributed hierarchical data



CapVT: Energy Function

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- CapVT energy function:

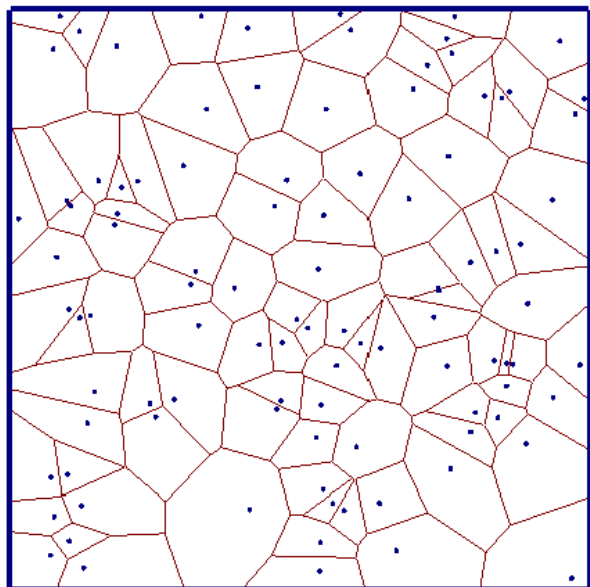
$$E_{\text{CapVT}}(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\int_{V_i} \varrho(\mathbf{x}) \, d\sigma - k_i \right)^2 .$$

- Assume each Voronoi cell has the same capacity, that is $k_i = k$ for all i . We can define the CapVT energy function as

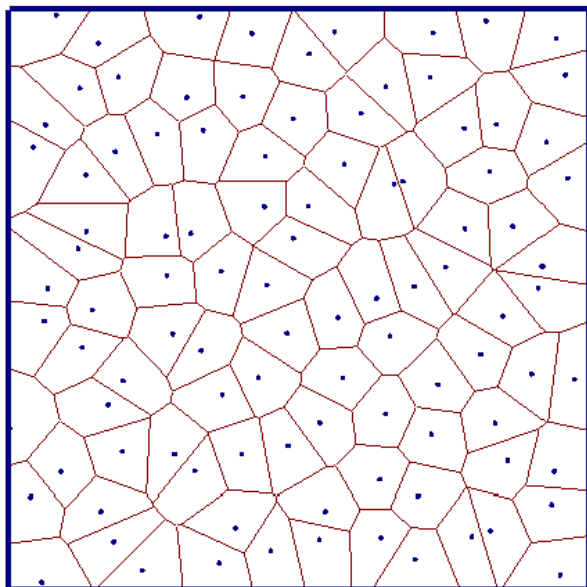
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Optimization by L-BFGS

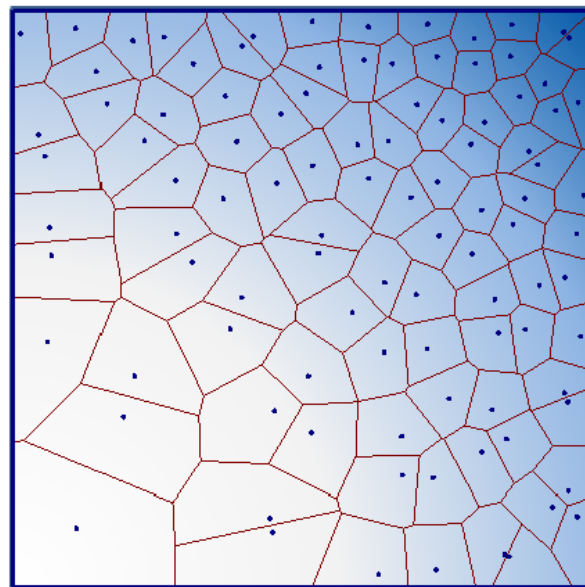
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Initial state



CapVT by L-BFGS



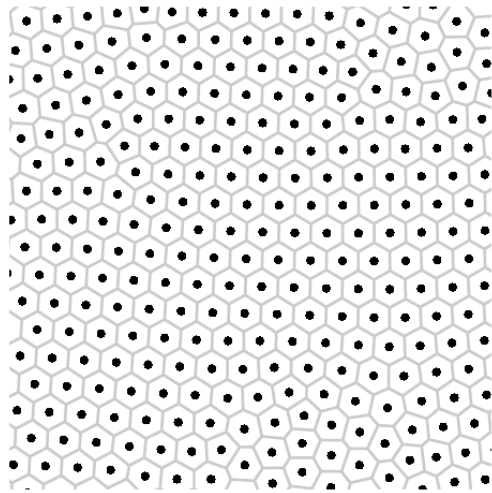
CapVT with density

Capacity-constrained Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation (CapCVT)

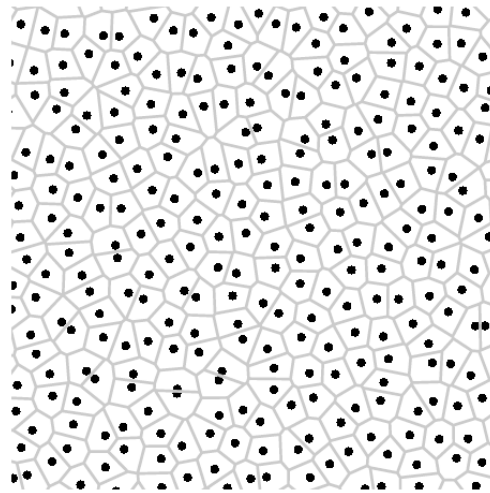
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- CapCVT energy function:

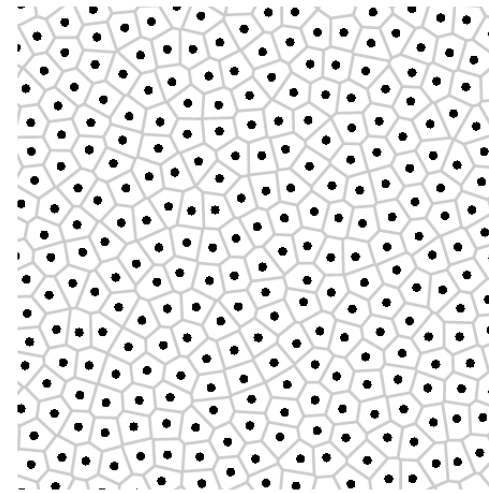
$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{CapCVT}}(\mathbf{X}) &= E_{\text{CVT}}(\mathbf{X}) + \lambda E_{\text{CapVT}}(\mathbf{X}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2 d\sigma + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\int_{V_i} \varrho(\mathbf{x}) d\sigma \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$



(a) CVT



(b) CapVT

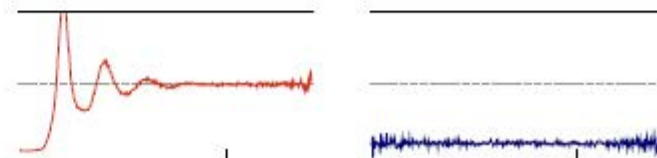
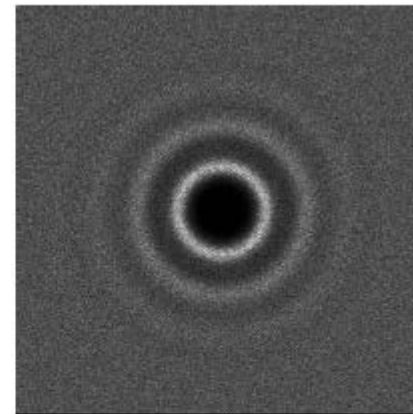
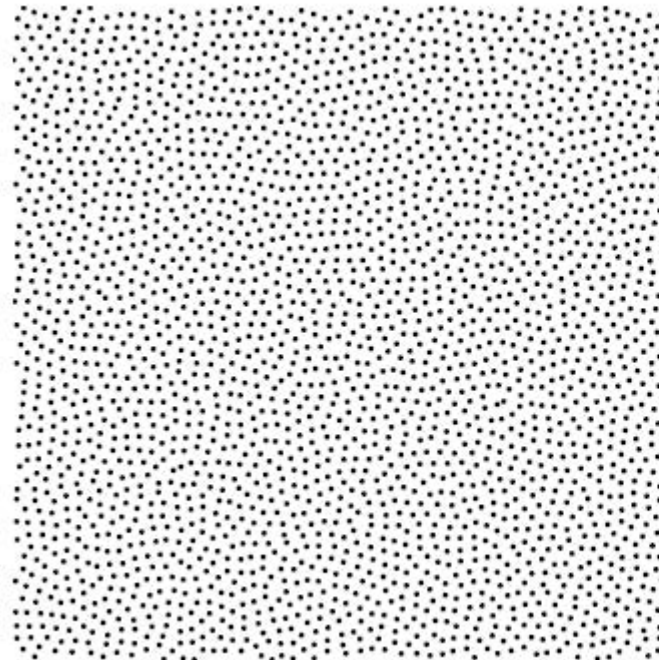


(c) CapCVT

Blue Noise Distribution

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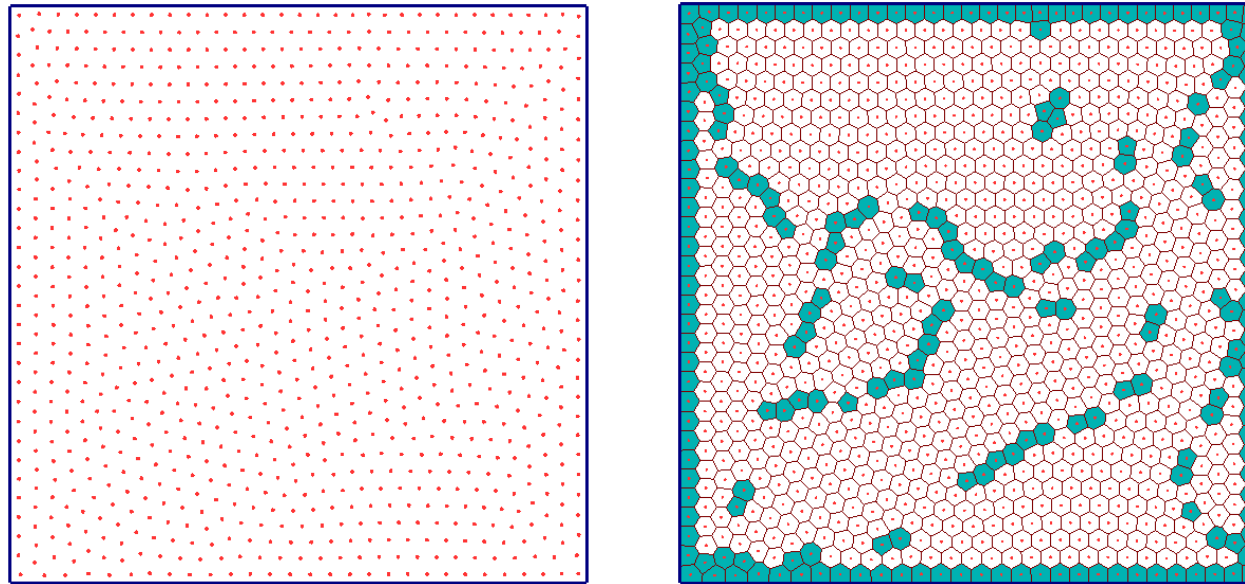
- (Left) A uniformly distributed yet randomly located point set
- (Right) The typical power spectrum, radially averaged power spectrum and anisotropy of blue noise distributions.



Sampling by CVT Method

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- CVT method develops “regularity artifacts” in resulting point distributions



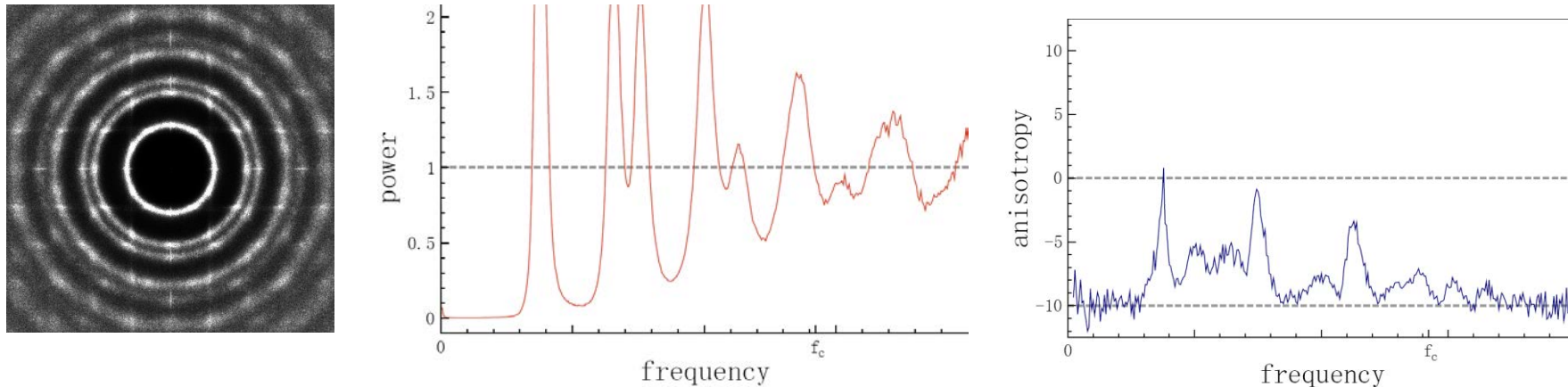
Left: point distribution obtained by CVT method

Right: Voronoi tessellation with non-hexagonal cells marked

Sampling by CVT Method

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- Spectral characteristics of the point distributions obtained by CVT



Left: power spectrum; middle: radially averaged power spectrum;
right: anisotropy.

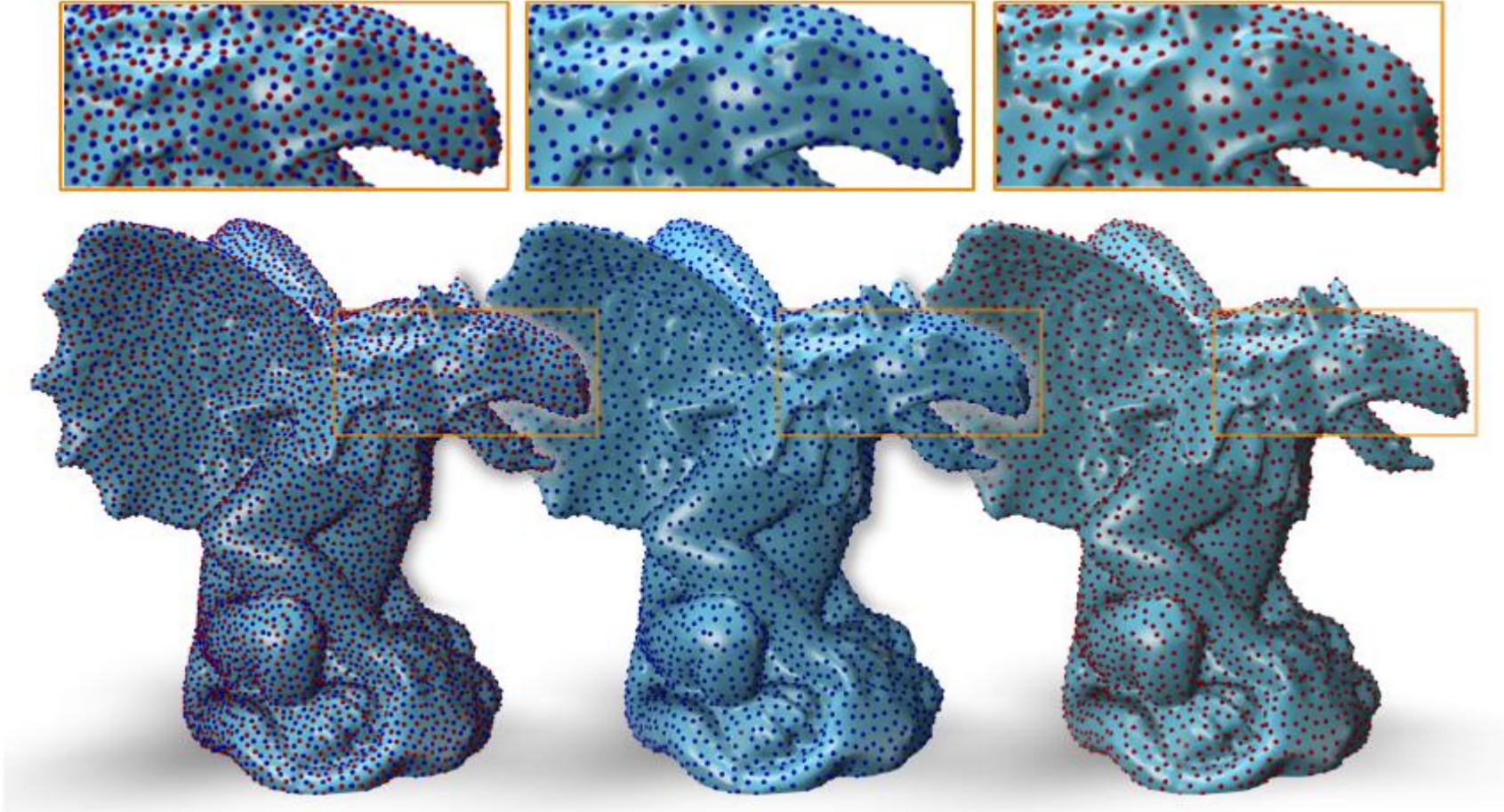
CapCVT Sampling on Image

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(left) Input image as a density map; (right) sampling result by our method.

CapCVT Sampling on Surface



IV

Capacity Constrained Centroidal Power Diagram (CPD)

Shiqin Xin, Bruno Levy, Zhonggui Chen, Chu Lei, Yaohui Yu, Changhe Tu, Wenping Wang. **Centroidal power diagrams with capacity constraints – computation, applications and extension.** *ACM Transactions on Graphics*, 35, 6, Article 244:1-12, 2016

Capacity Constrained Centroidal Power Diagram (CPD)*

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□ Problem Formulation

- ▣ To find the *power diagram* with the sites \mathbf{X} and the weights W such that the total cost

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{X}, W) = \sum_i \int_{\mathcal{V}_i^w} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

is minimized, subject to the constraints

$$m_i = \int_{\mathcal{V}_i} \rho(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \equiv m.$$

Capacity Constrained Centroidal Power Diagram (CPD)*

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□ Problem Formulation

- ▣ It is equivalent to finding a saddle point of the following functional:

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{X}, W) = \mathcal{E}(\mathbf{X}, W) - \sum_i w_i (m_i - m)$$

where

$$\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{X}, W) = \sum_i \int_{\mathcal{V}_i^w} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

and

$$m_i = \int_{\mathcal{V}_i^w} \rho(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}.$$

Computing CPD using L-BFGS

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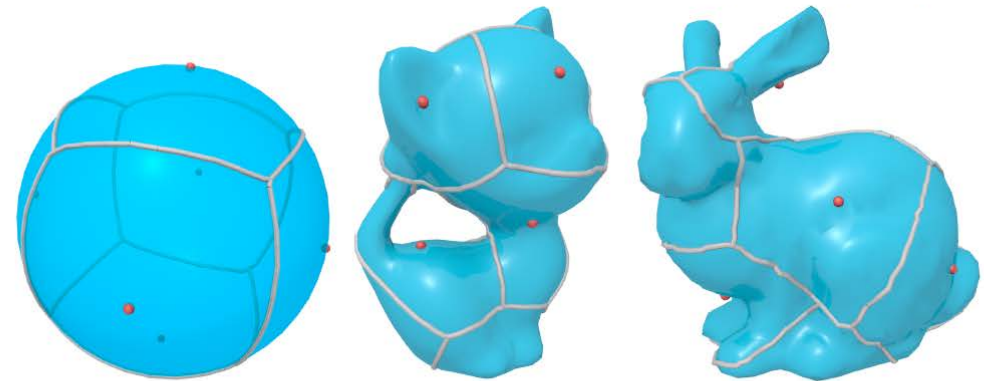
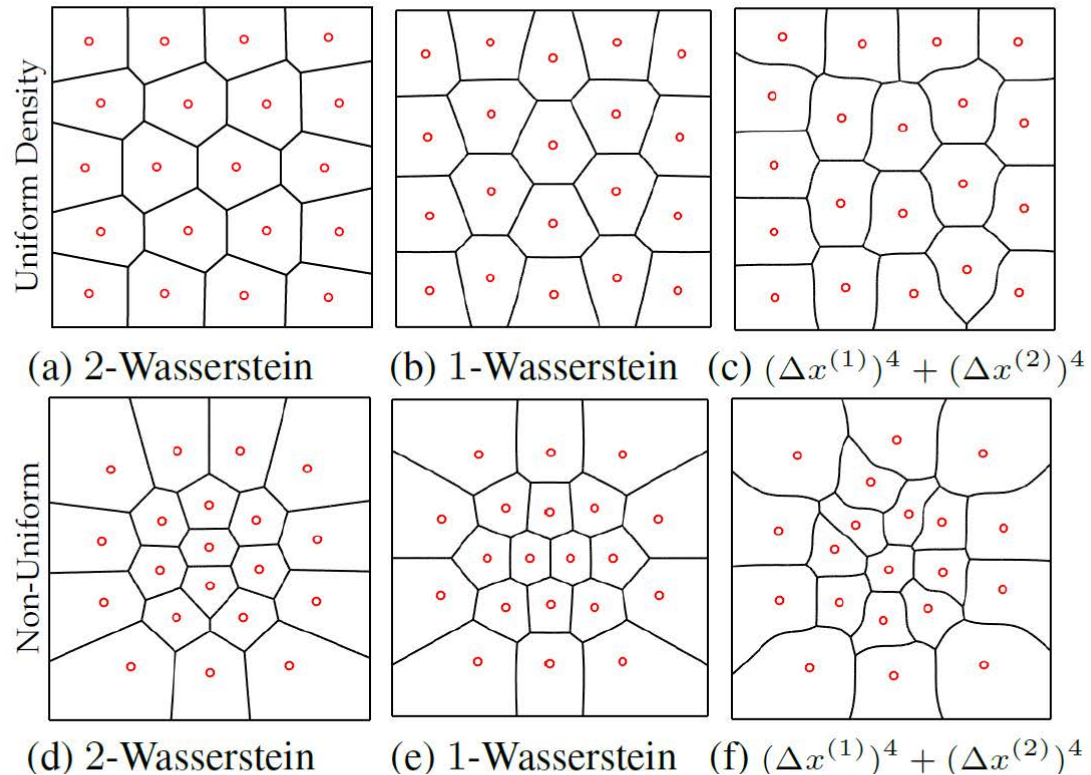
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2 Input: domain  $\mathcal{D}$ , density  $\rho$ , cost kernel  $d$ , number of points  $n$ ,
   capacity constraints  $\{c_i\}$  and a threshold  $\epsilon$  as the termination
   condition.
3 Initialization: set  $k = 0$  and  $X_0$  to  $n$  randomly generated sites.
4 repeat //L-BFGS
5   repeat //To meet the capacity constraints
6     Update  $W_k$  by Newton's method
7   until  $\|\nabla_W F(X, W)\| < 10^{-12}$ 
8     Compute the gradients  $\nabla_X F(X, W^*(X))$  in Eqn. (10)
9     Compute  $\Delta X$  using the L-BFGS updating rule
10     $X_{k+1} \leftarrow X_k$ 
11     $k \leftarrow k + 1$ 
12 until  $\|\nabla_X F(X, W^*(X))\| < \epsilon$ 
13 repeat //To meet the capacity constraints
14   Update  $W_k$  by Newton's method
15 until  $\|\nabla_W F(X, W)\| < 10^{-12}$ 
16 Output:  $(X_k, W_k)$ 
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Algorithm 1: Computing CPD using L-BFGS.

CPD with General Cost Kernels

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(g) Geodesic distance

(h) Squared

(i) Cubic

Figure 3: *Our algorithm can be extended to general cost kernels.*

V

Optimal Voronoi Tessellation (OVT)

Budninskiy M, Liu B, De Goes F, et al. **Optimal Voronoi tessellations with Hessian-based anisotropy**. ACM Transactions on Graphics, 35(6): 242, 2016.

Centroidal Voronoi Tessellation

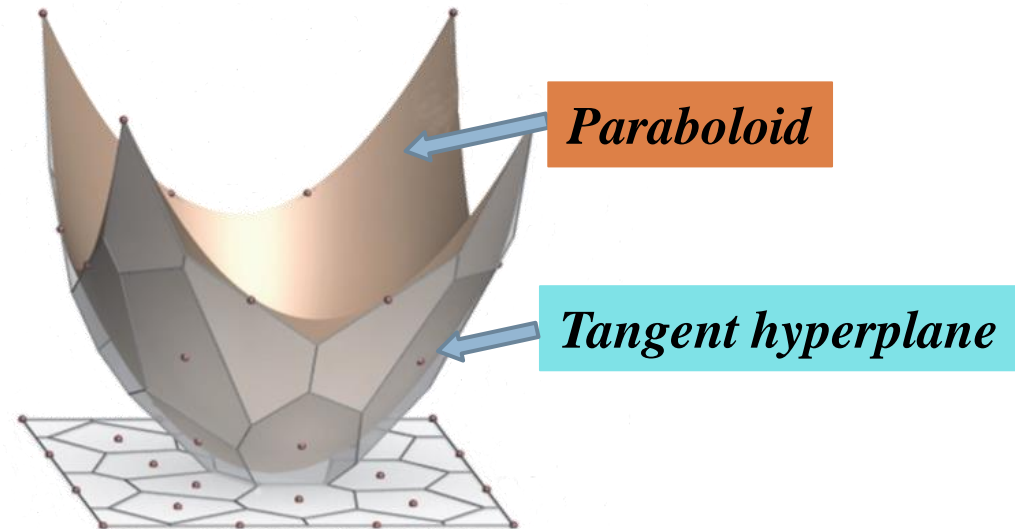
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□ Geometric interpretation



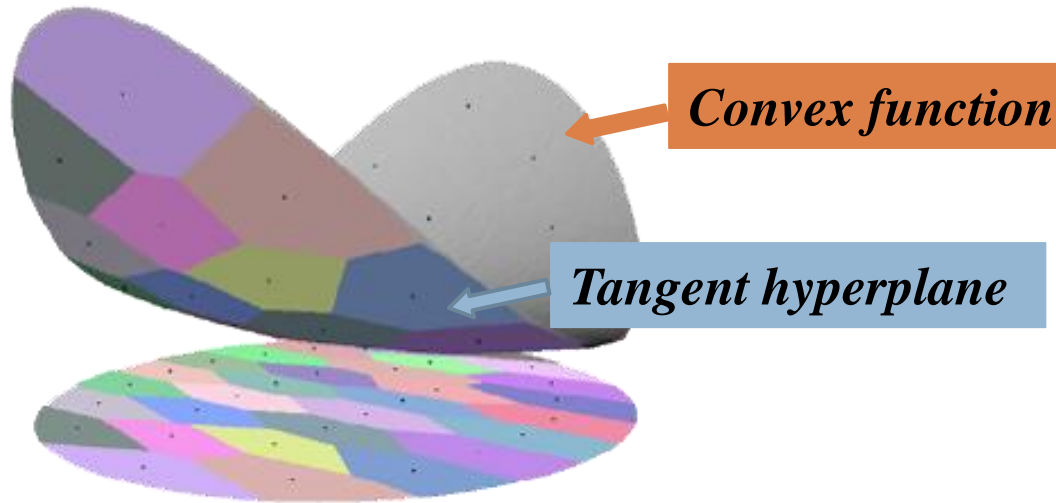
Optimal Voronoi Tessellation (OVT)

[Budninskiy et.al., ACM TOG 2016]

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- OVT energy function:

$$\mathcal{E}_{OVT}(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{V}) = \|f - f_T\|_{L^1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} (f(\mathbf{x}) - T_i(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x},$$

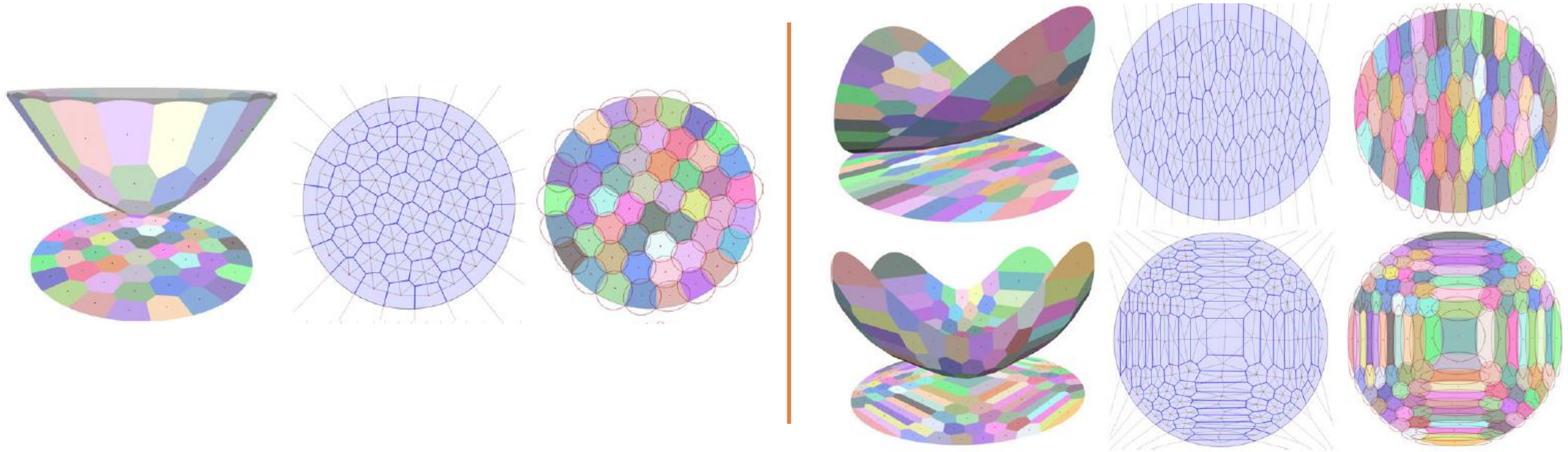


$$T_i(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_i) \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i) + f(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

Optimal Voronoi Tessellations

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- [Budninskiy et.al., ACM TOG 2016]



VI

Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)

*Yanyang Xiao, Zhonggui Chen, Juan Cao, Yongjie Jessica Zhang, Cheng Wang. **Optimal Power Diagrams via Function Approximation**. *Computer-Aided Design* (Proc. SPM; Best Paper Award 1st Place), 102:52-60, 2018

Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)*

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- Energy function formulation:

OVT function $\mathcal{E}_{OVT}(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{V}) = \|f - f_T\|_{L^1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} (f(\mathbf{x}) - T_i(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x},$

Convex function

Tangent hyperplane

Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)

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- Energy function formulation:

OVT function $\mathcal{E}_{OVT}(\mathbf{X}, \mathcal{V}) = \|f - f_T\|_{L^1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} (f(\mathbf{x}) - T_i(\mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x},$

Convex function

Tangent hyperplane

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Non-convex function

Best fitting hyperplane

Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)

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Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)

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□ Energy function formulation

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① Restrict \mathcal{V} to power diagram, determined by $(\mathbf{X}, W) = \left(\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^n, \{w_i\}_{i=1}^n \right)$

② When \mathcal{V} is fixed, best-fit hyperplane on each cell is determined, denoted by $P_i^*(\mathbf{x})$

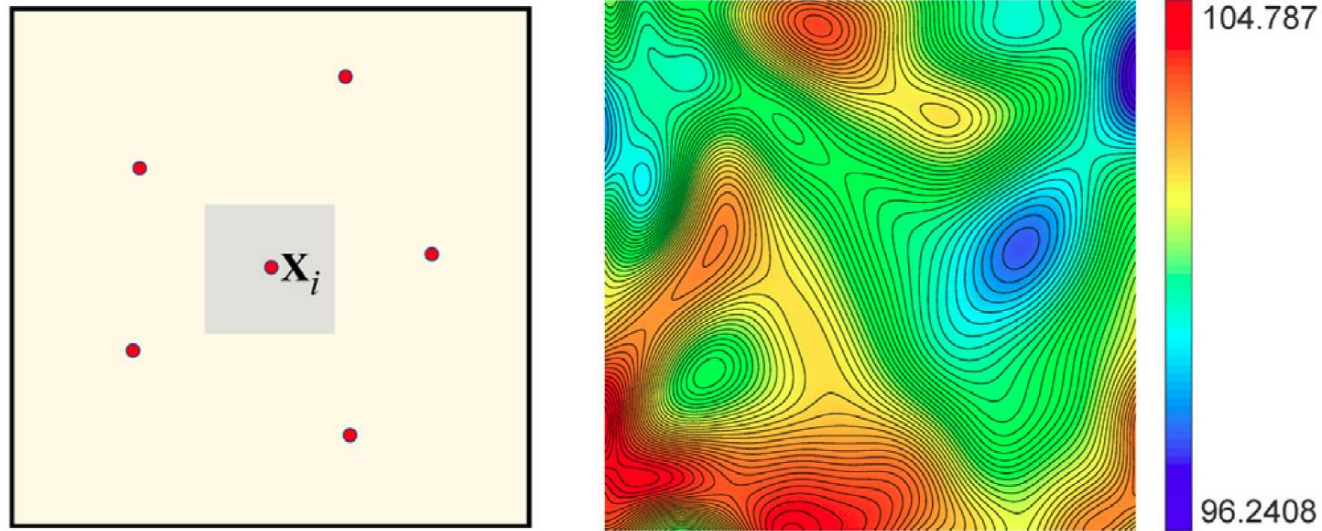
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Optimal Power Diagram (OPD)

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□ OPD energy

$$\mathcal{E}_{OPD}(\mathbf{X}, W) = \|f - f_P\|_{L^2}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{V_i} (f(\mathbf{x}) - P_i^*(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x}$$



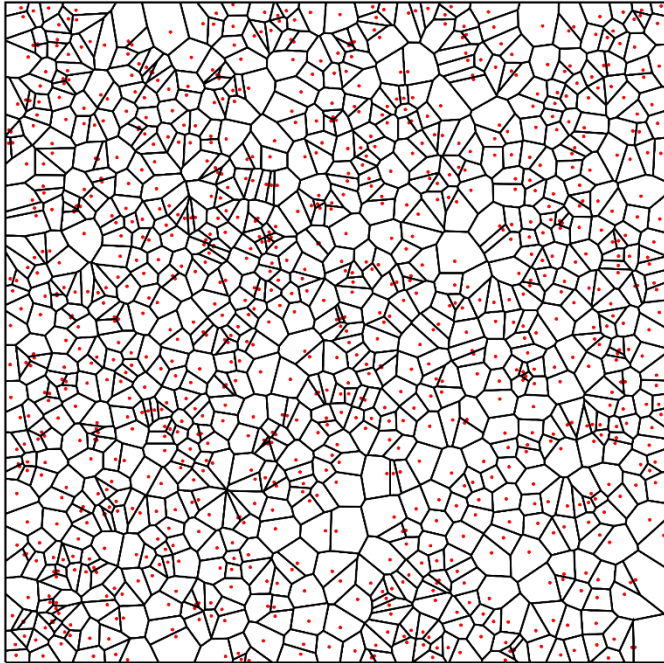
Energy landscape near \mathbf{x}_i with $f(\mathbf{x}) = \sin(\pi(x + 0.5)) \cos(\pi y)$

Optimization Framework

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□ Observations

$$f(x, y) = 100x^2 + y^2, -1 \leq x, y \leq 1$$



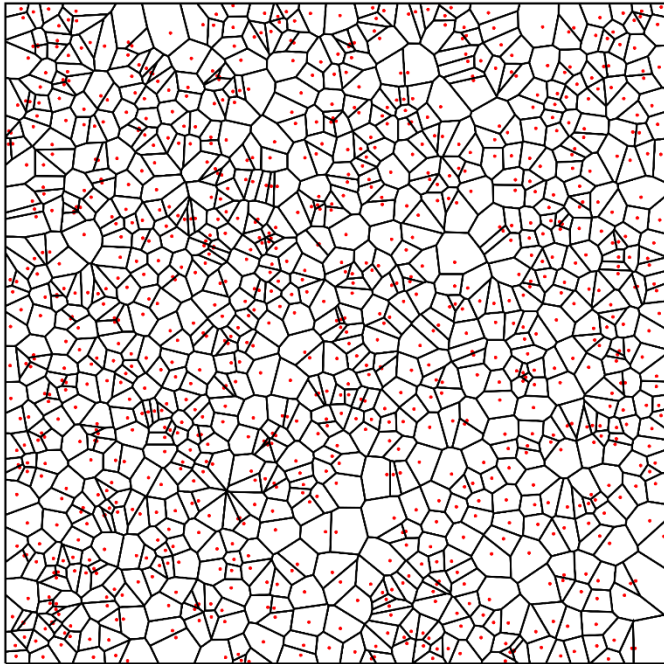
Random initialization

Optimization Framework

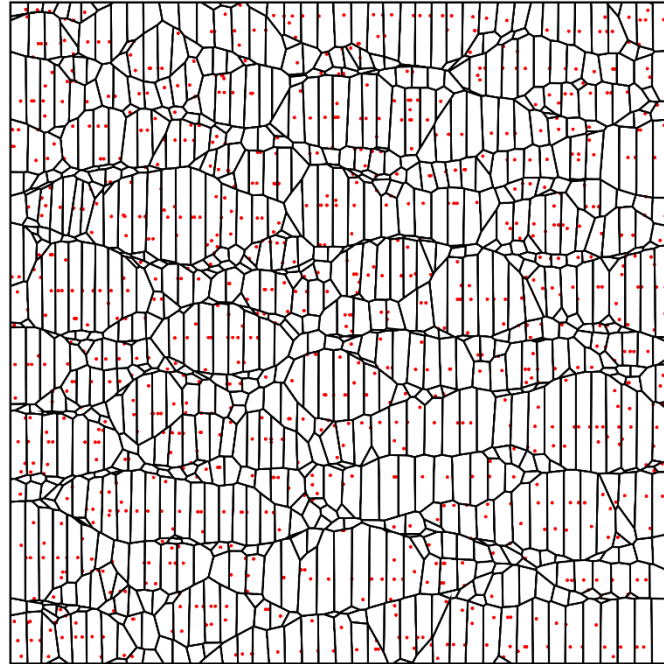
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Random initialization



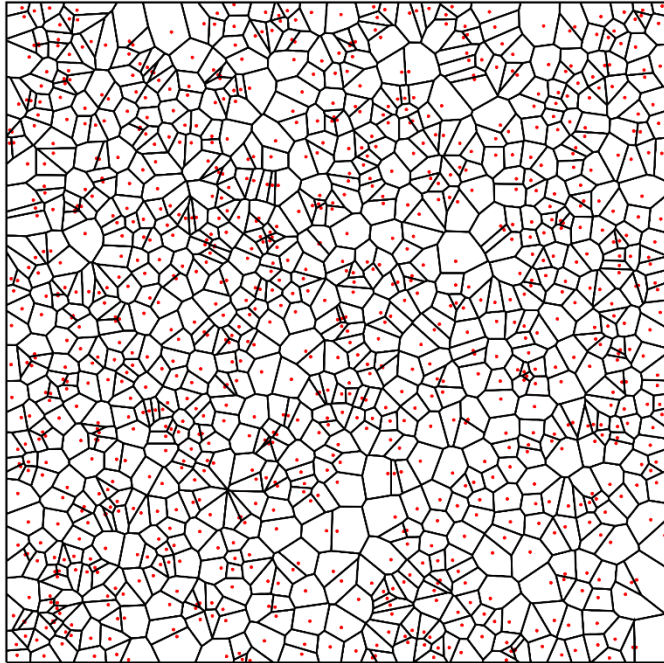
Optimizing (\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}) simultaneously

Optimization Framework

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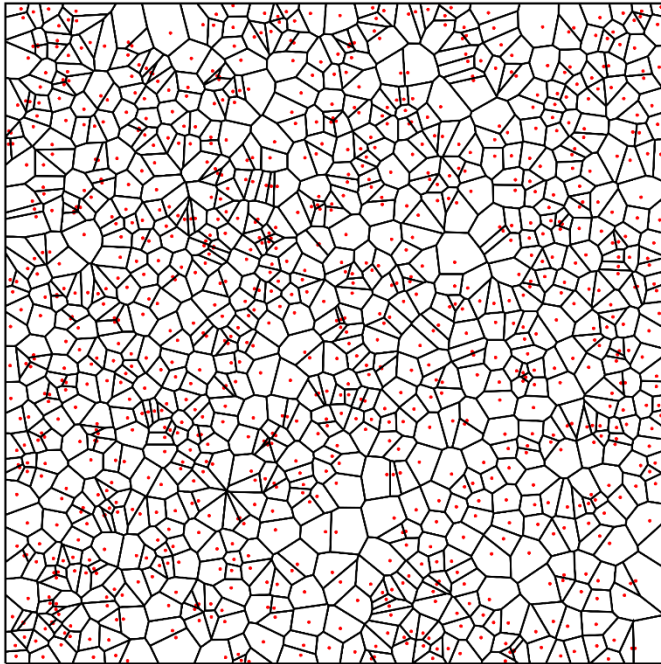
Random initialization

Optimization Framework

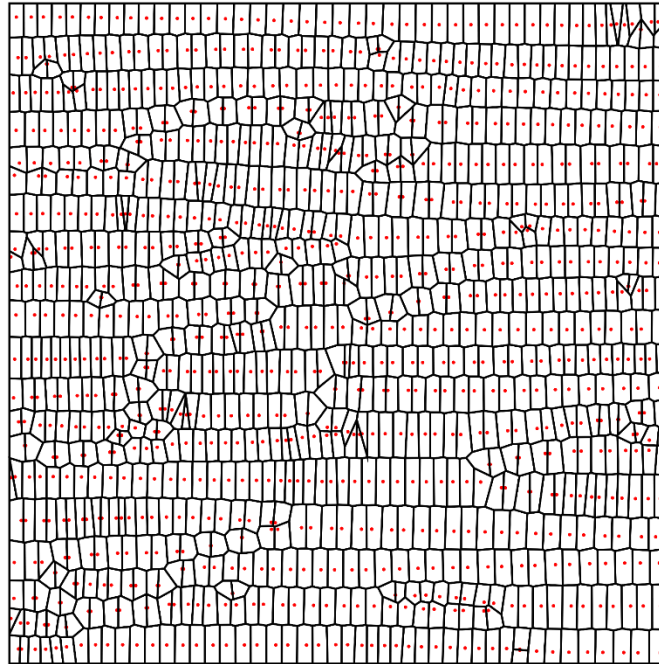
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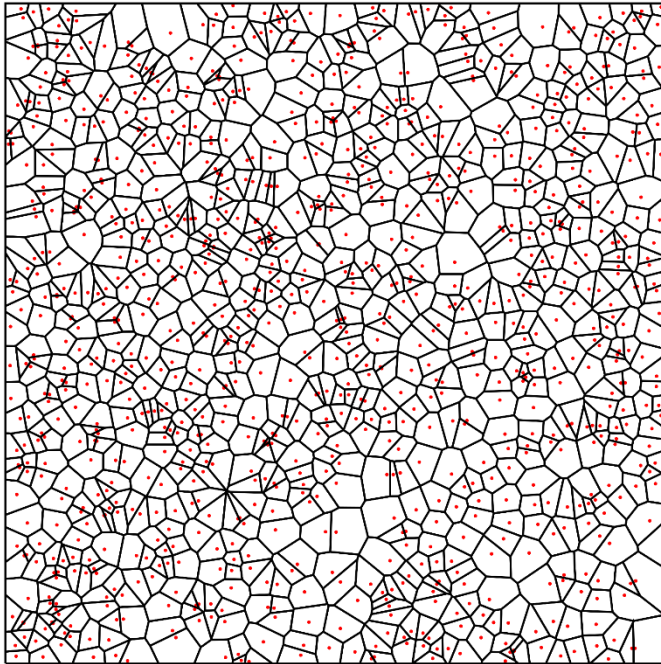
Position optimization only

Optimization Framework

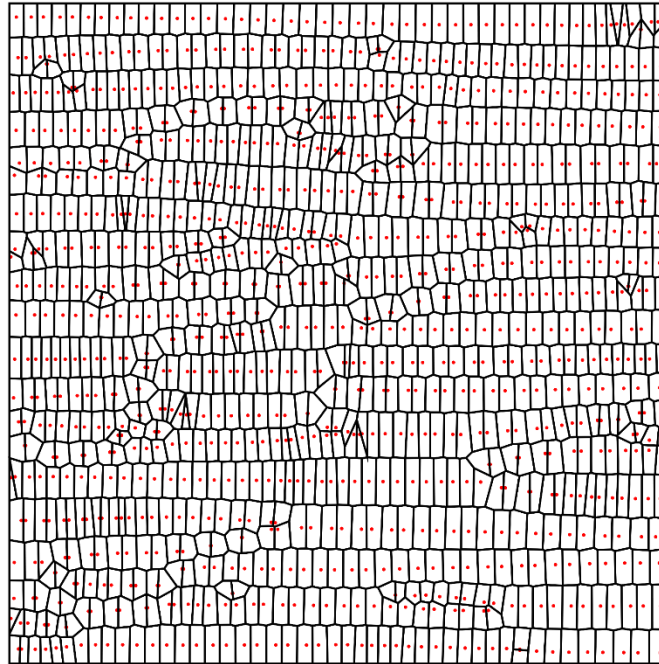
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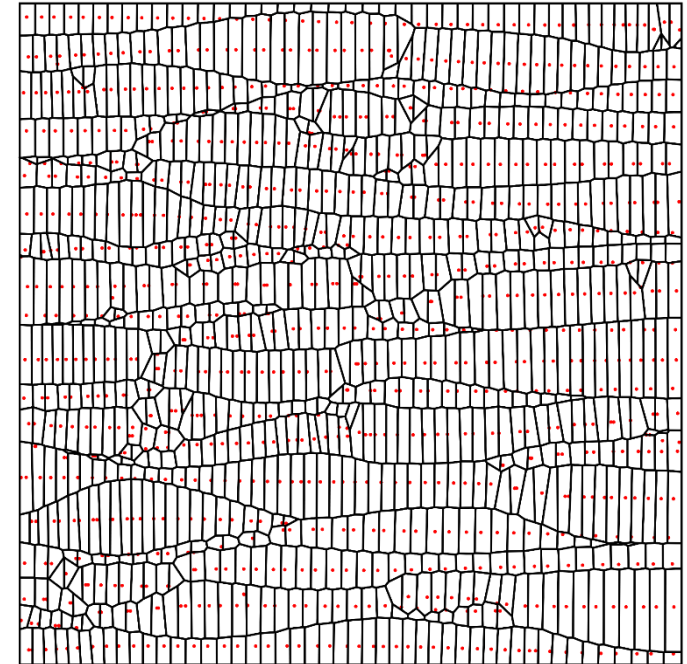
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Random initialization



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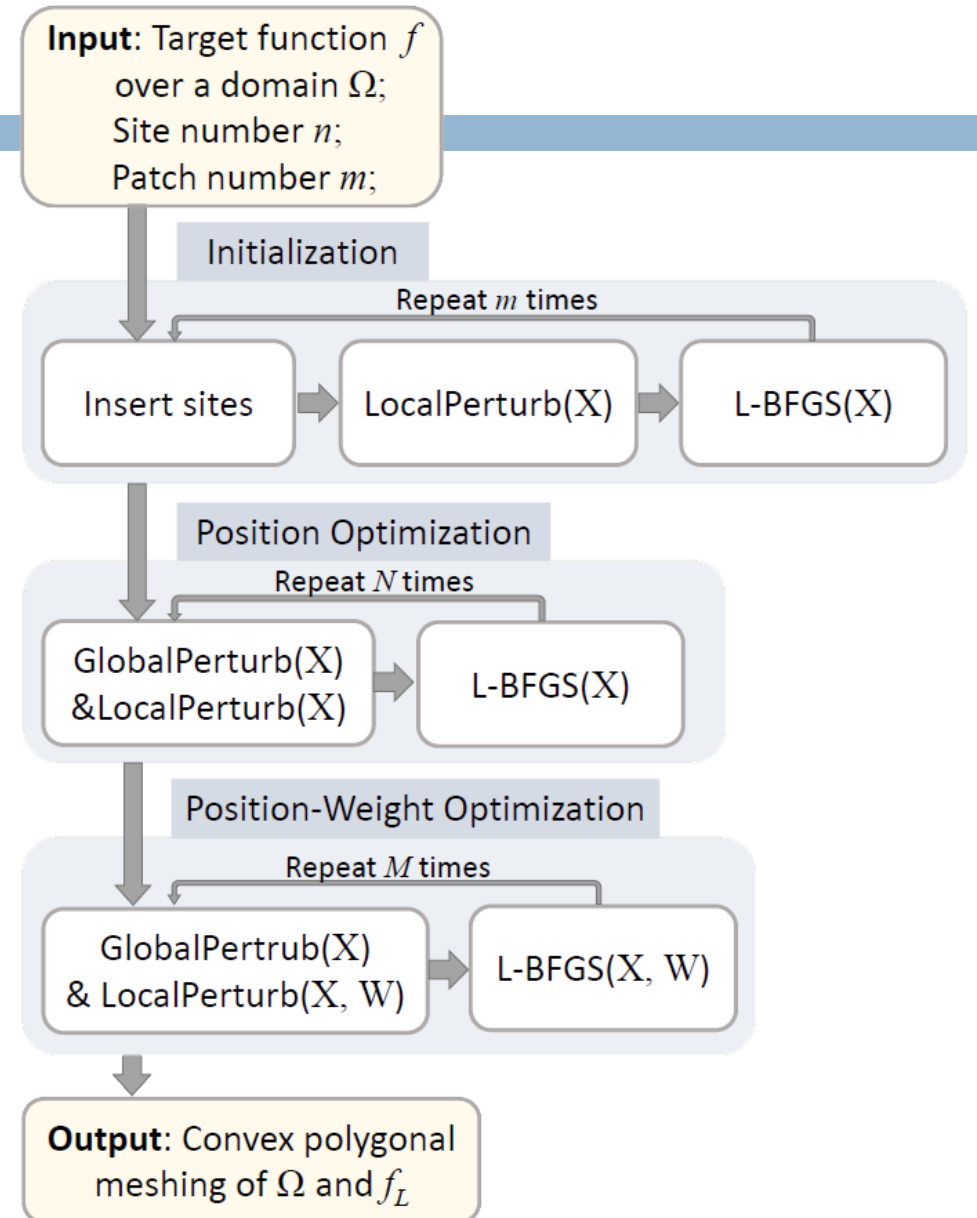


Position-weight optimization
based on previous result

Optimization Framework

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□ Overview



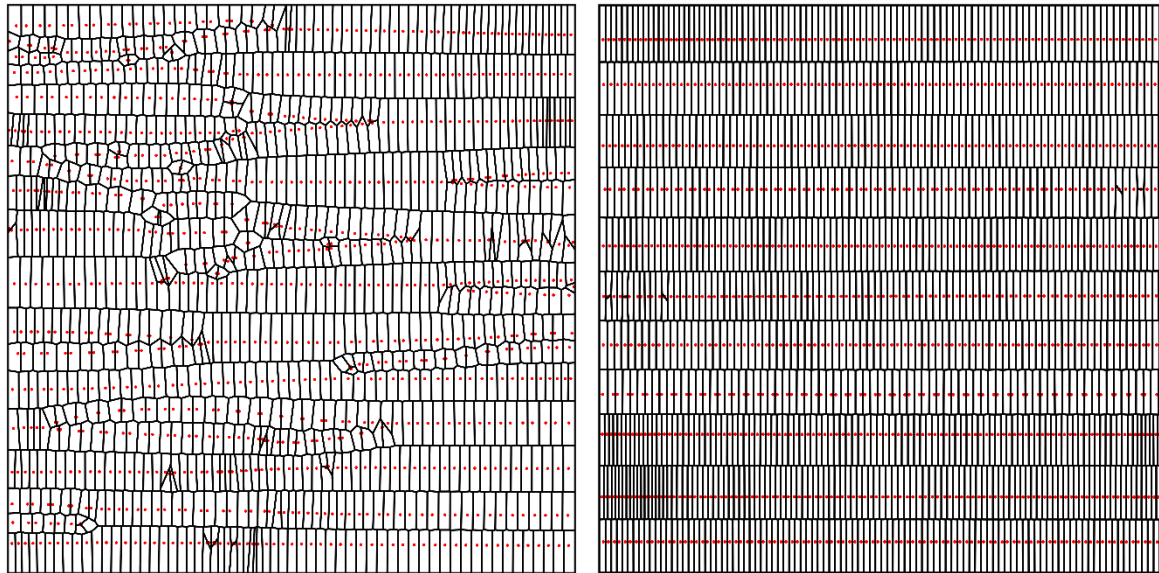
Optimization Framework

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□ Overview

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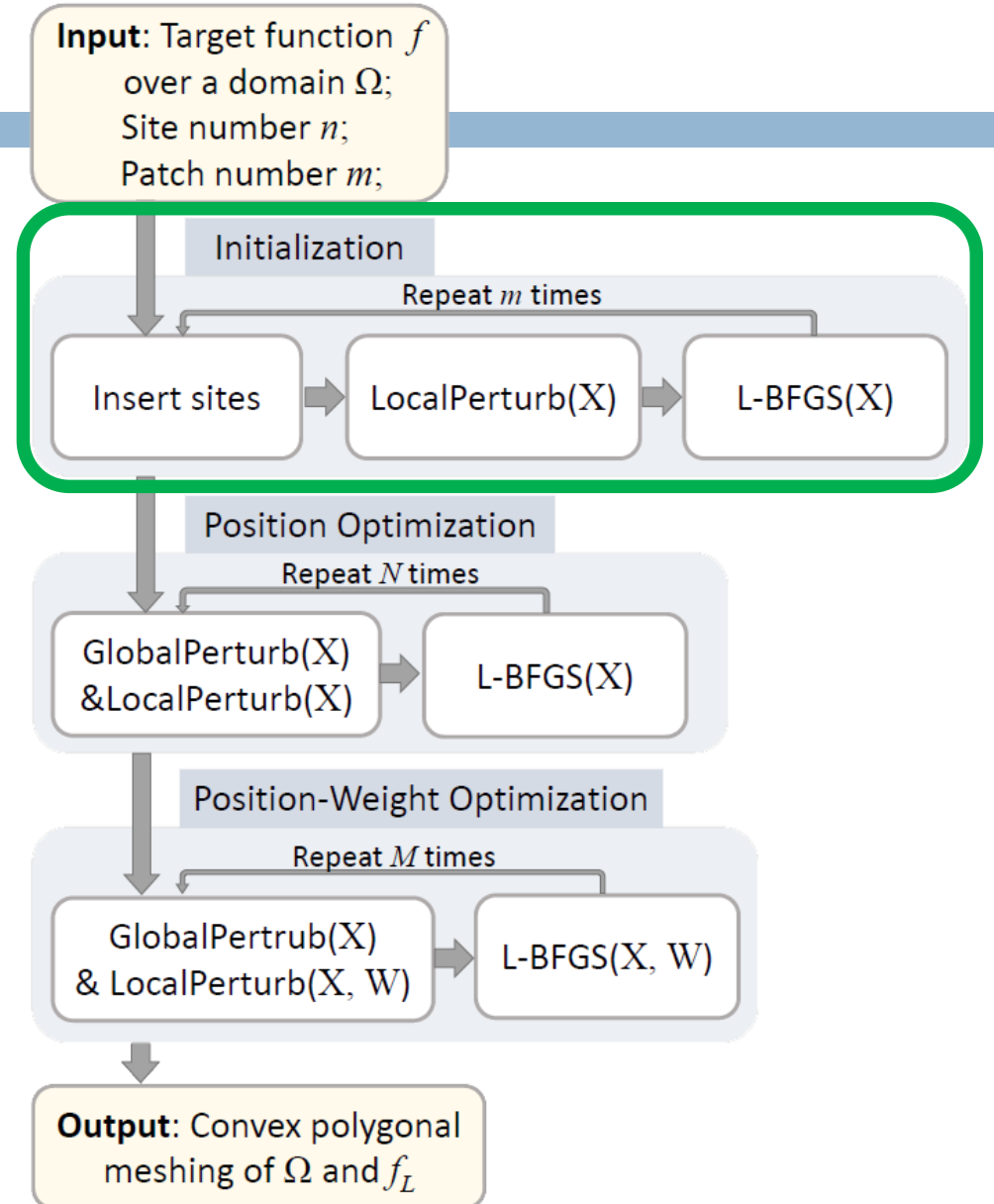
Insert and optimize site positions



Random insertion

PCA-based insertion

$$f(x, y) = 100x^2 + y^2$$



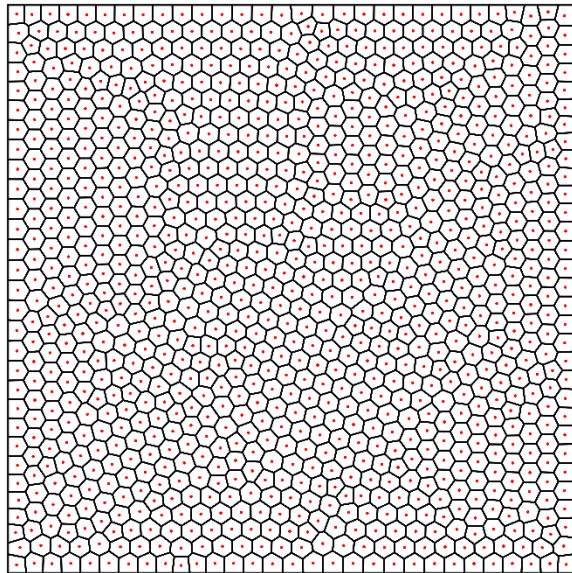
Optimization Framework

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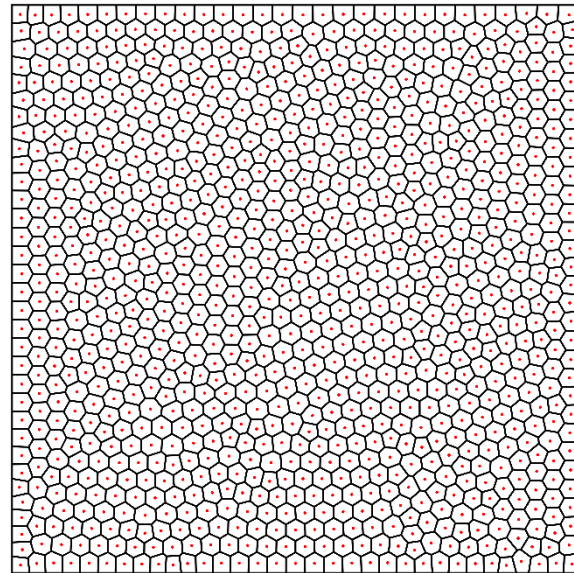
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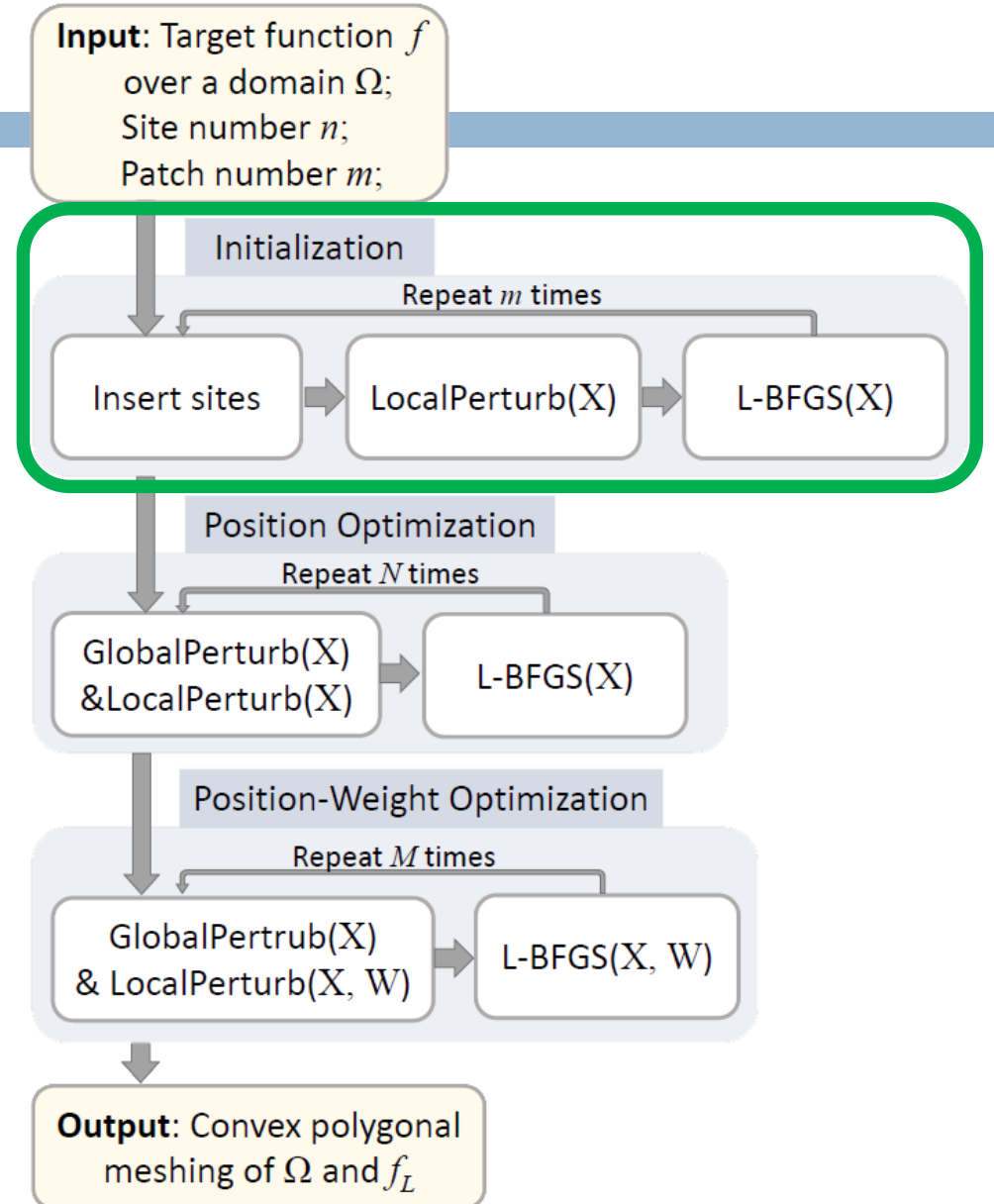


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PCA-based insertion

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Optimization Framework

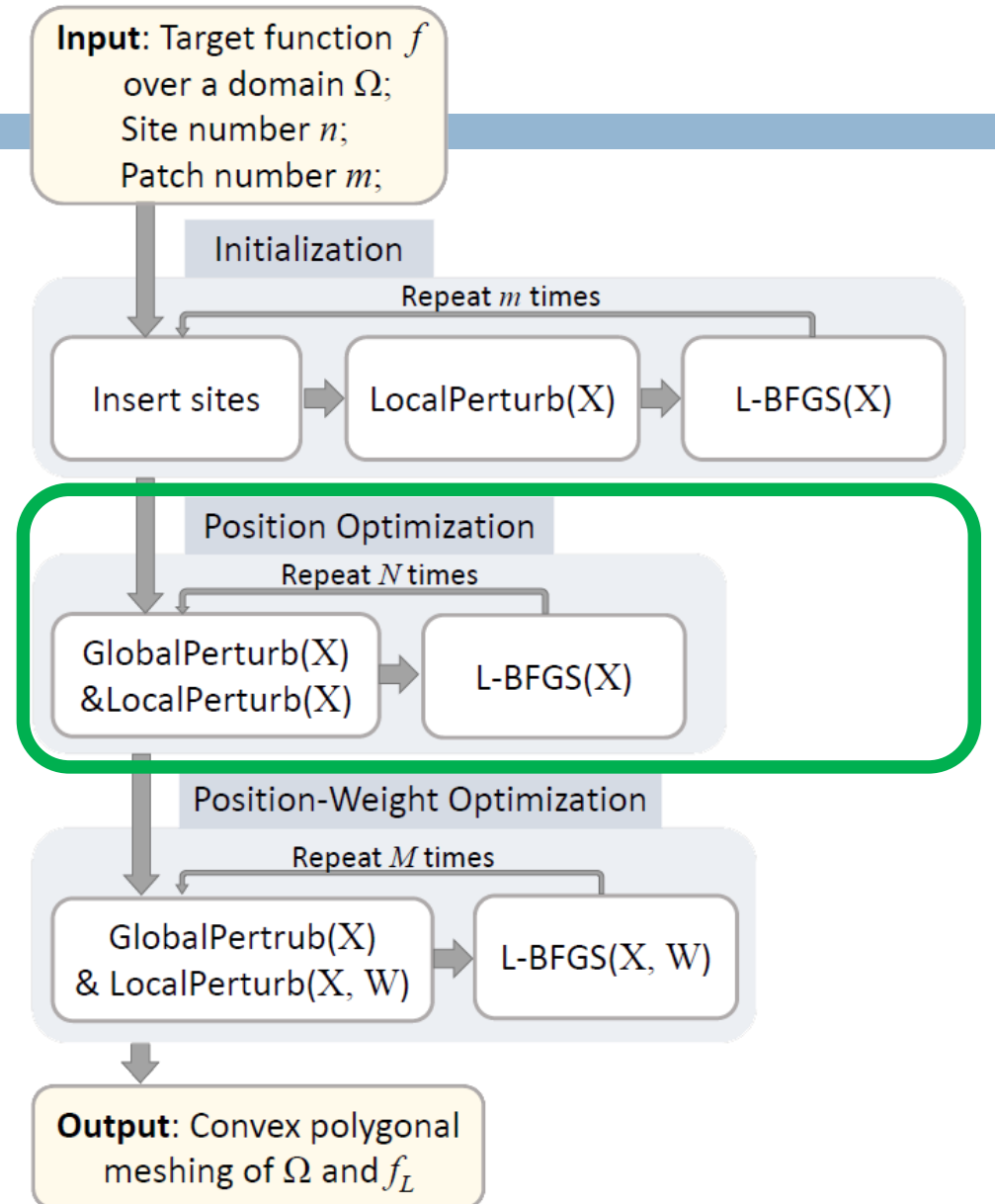
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□ Overview

(1) Initialization:

Insert and optimize site positions

(2) Position optimization:



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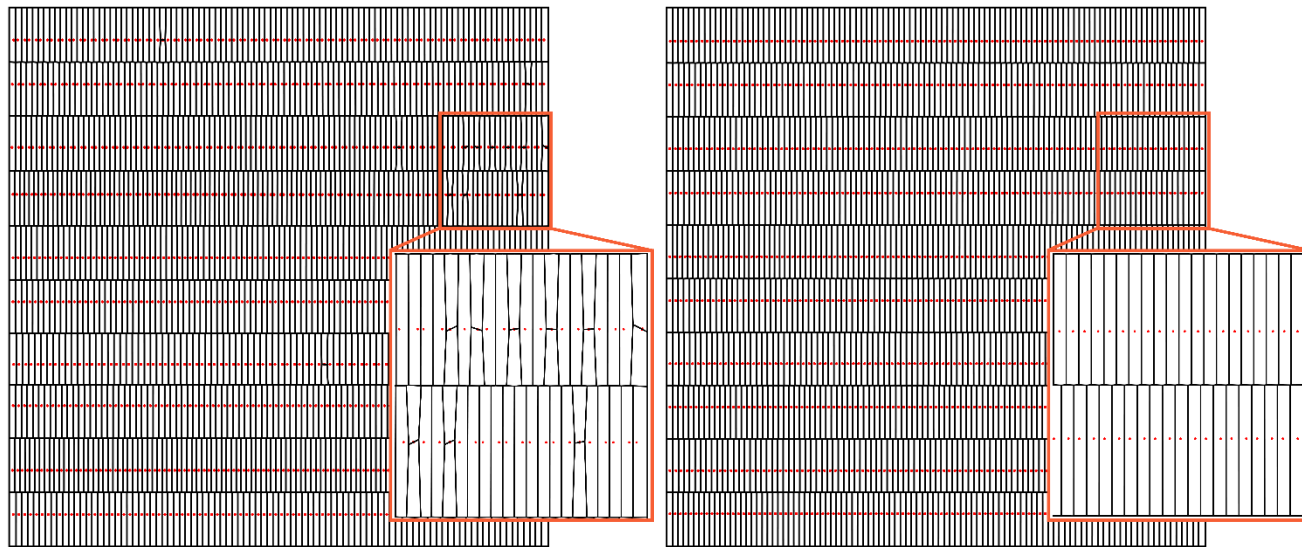
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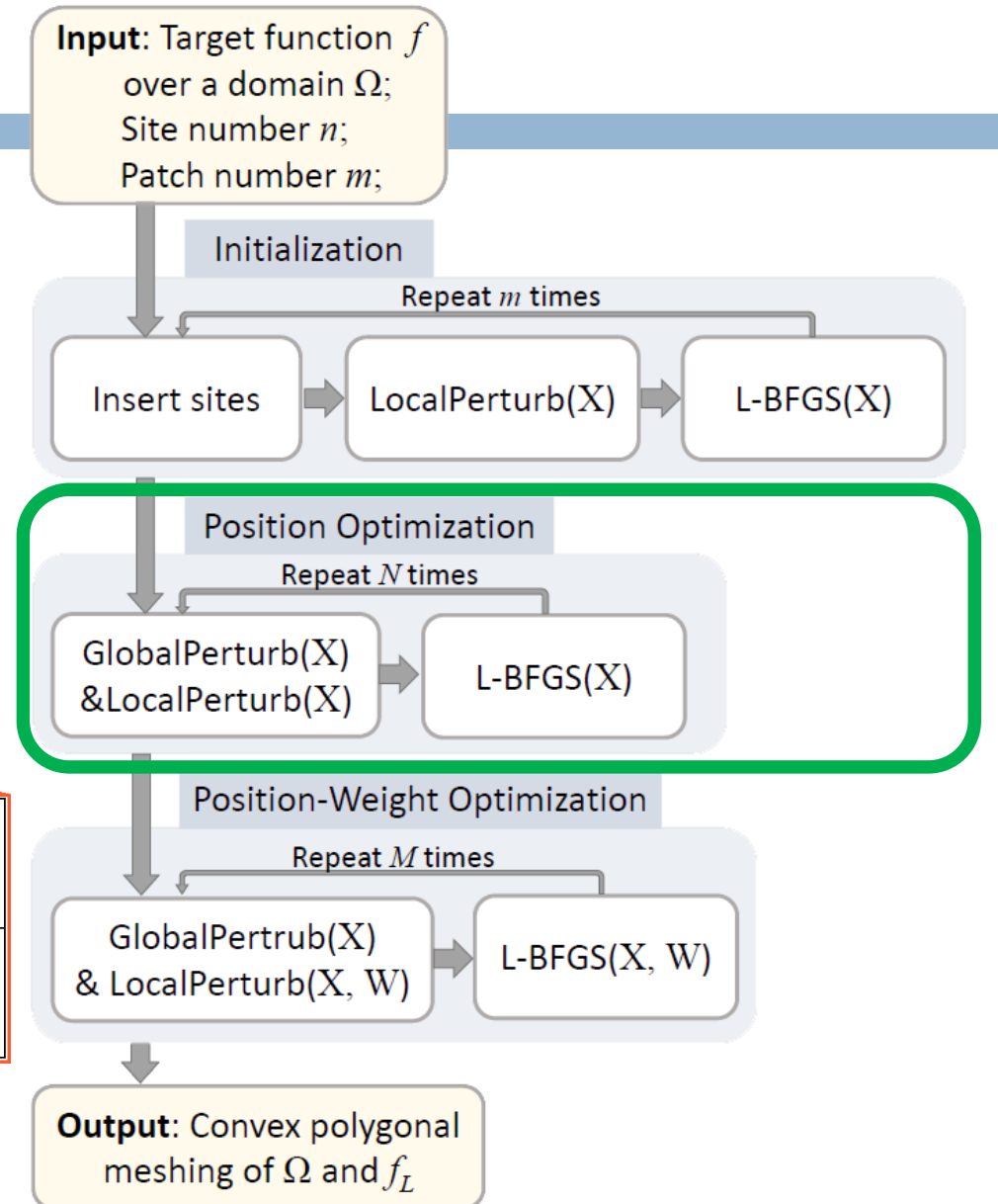
Insert and optimize site positions

(2) Position optimization:



Local perturbation

Local&Global perturbation



Optimization Framework

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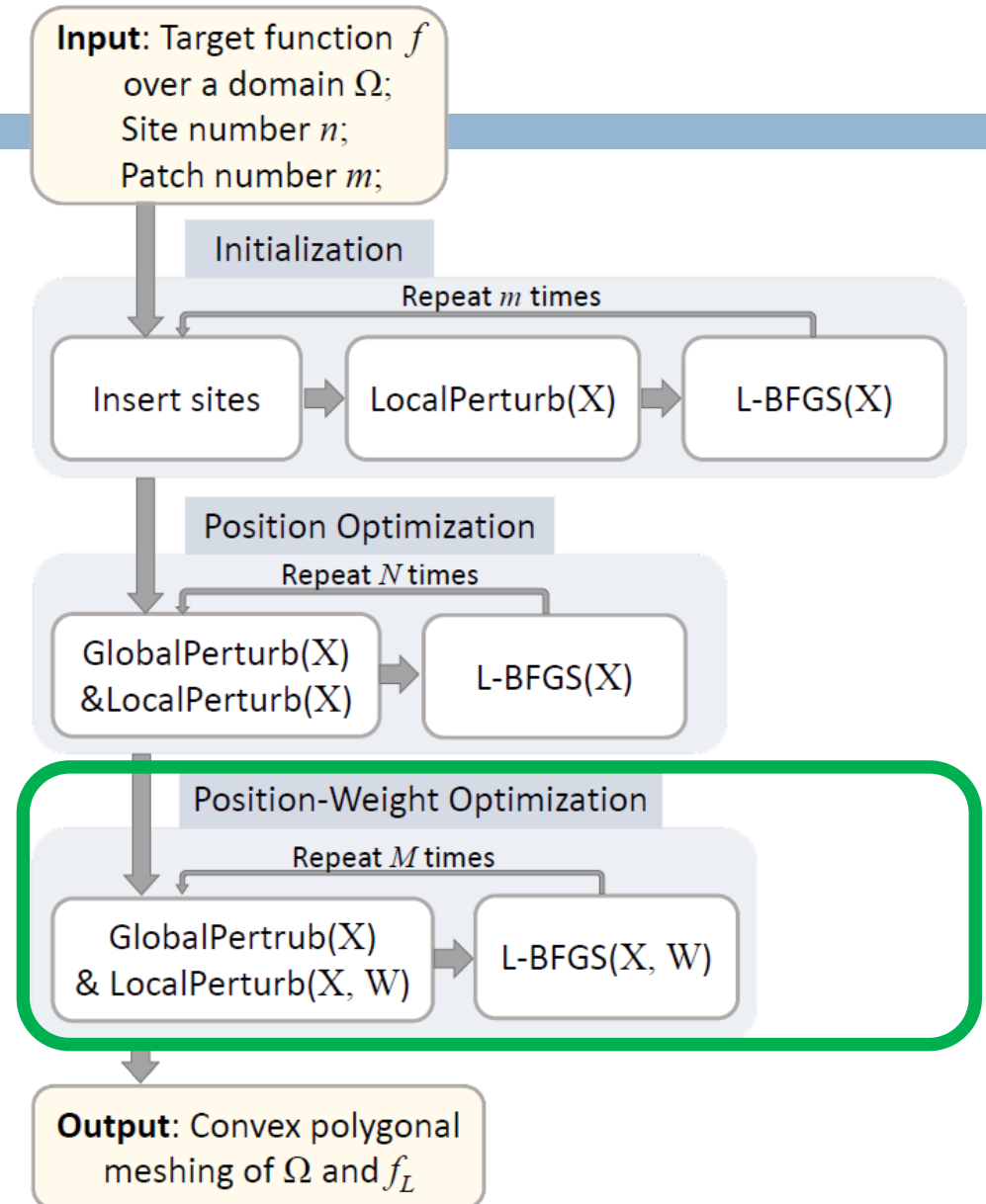
□ Overview

(1) Initialization:

Insert and optimize site positions

(2) Position optimization:

(3) Position-weight optimization:



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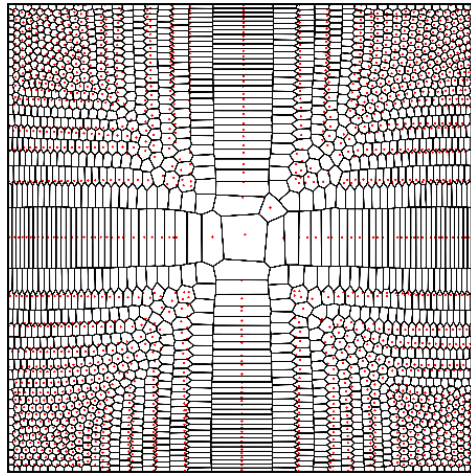
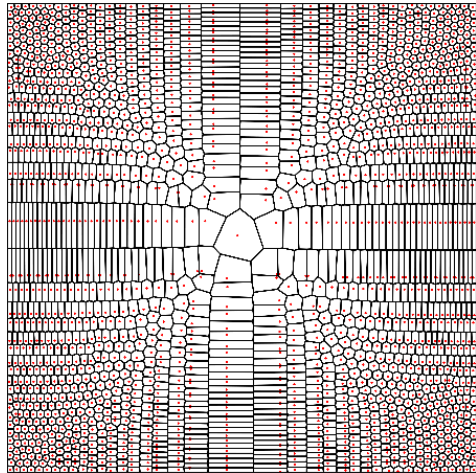
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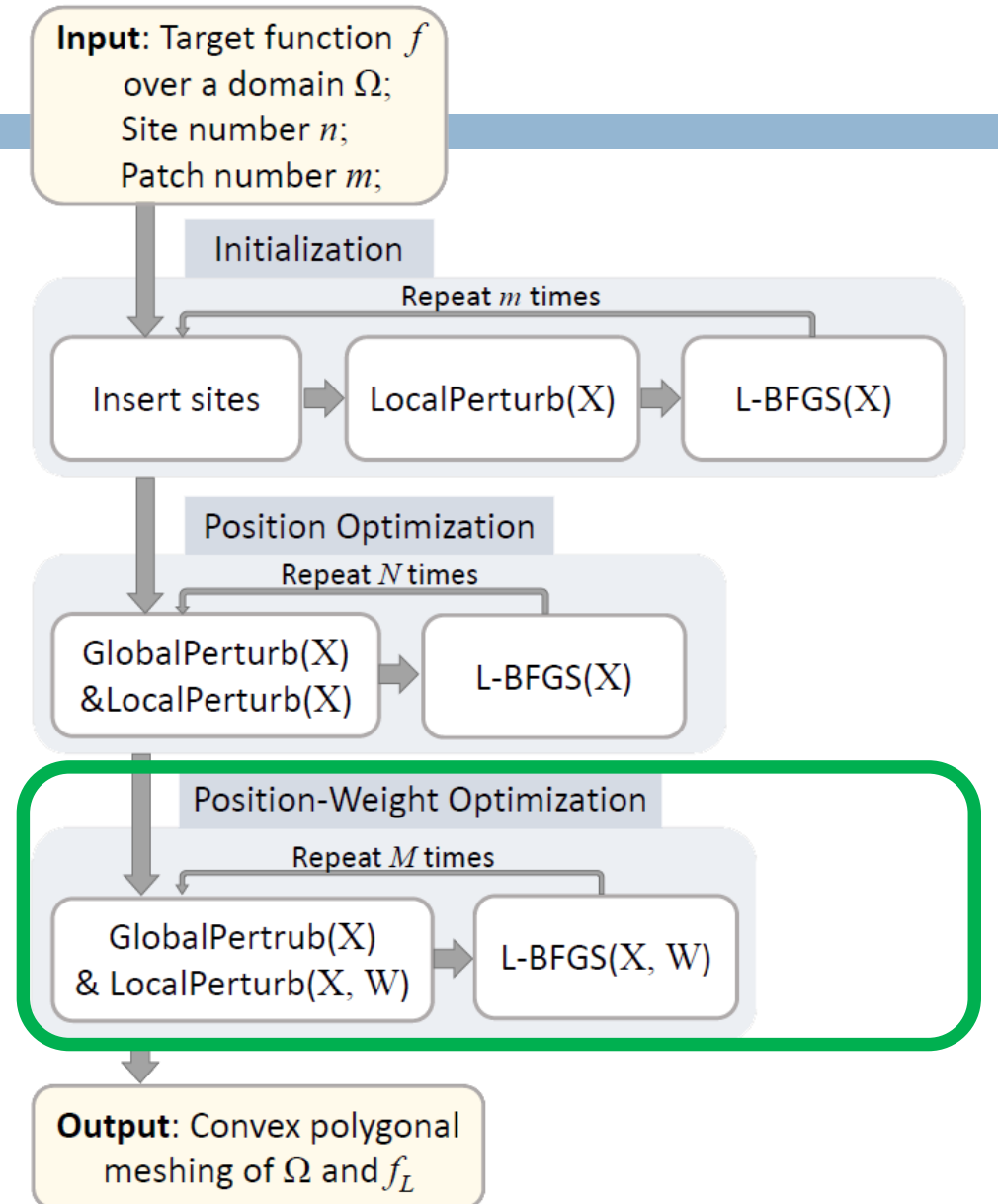
(2) Position optimization:

(3) Position-weight optimization:



Position optimization result

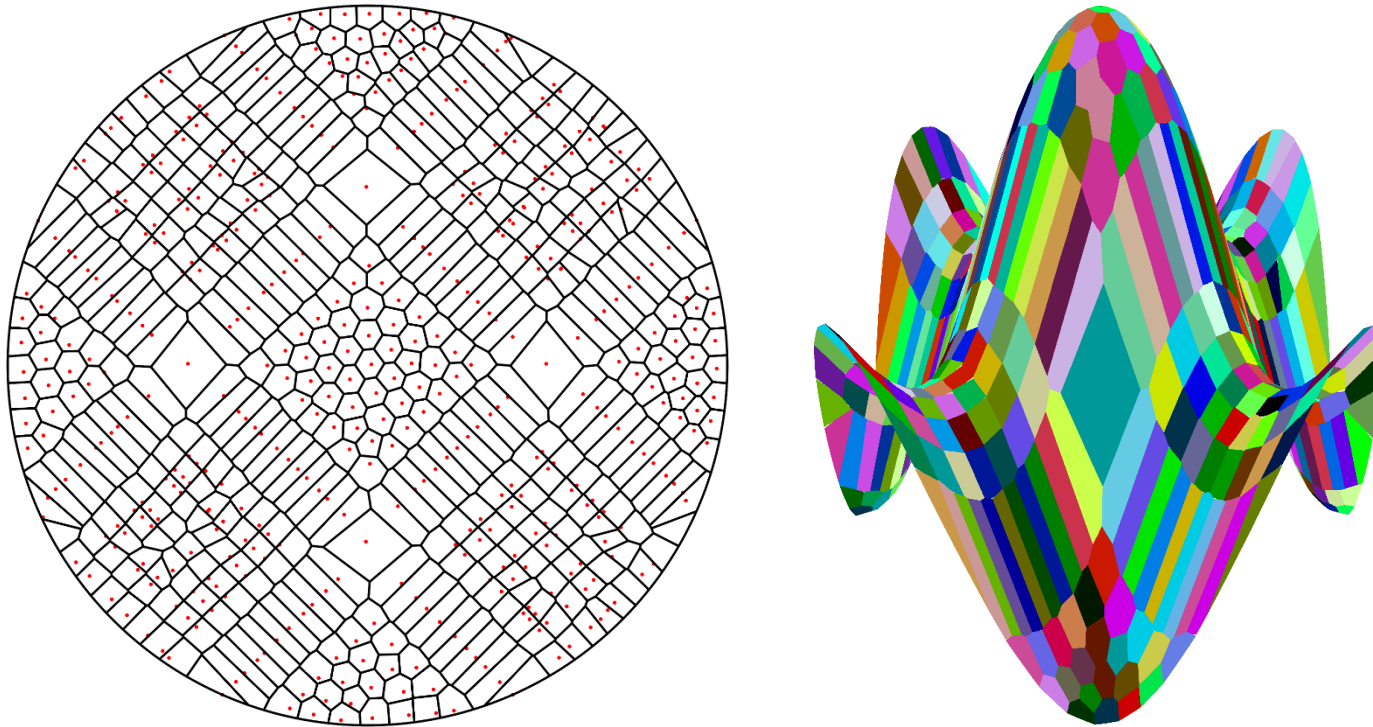
Position-weight optimization result



Results

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□ 1. Non-convex function approximation



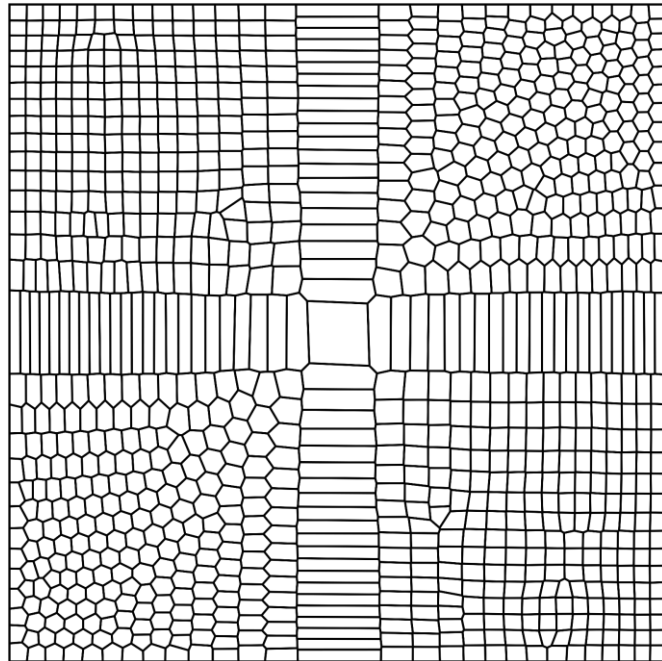
Resulting tessellation (left) and piecewise linear fit (right) of a non-convex target function $f(x, y) = \sin(\pi(x + 0.5))\cos(\pi y), x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ with 500 sites

Results

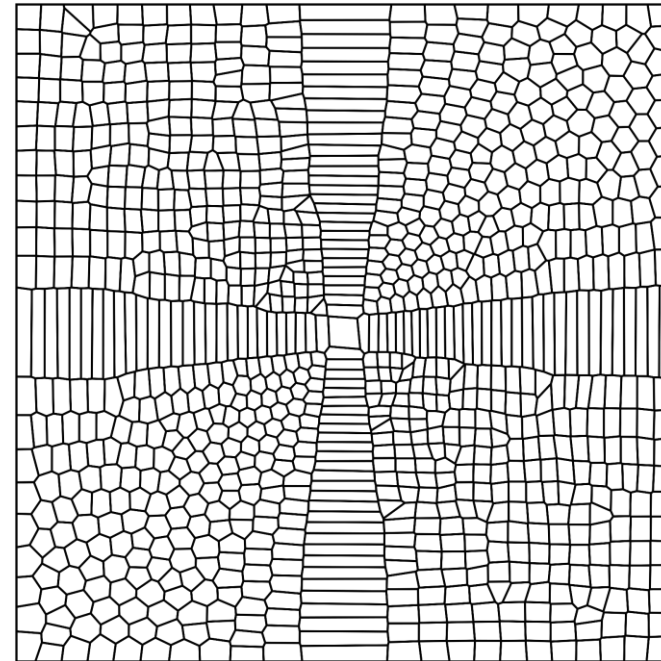
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□ Density control

$$\rho(x, y) = 1.0$$



$$\rho(x, y) = 1.0 / \left((x^2 + y^2)^2 + 0.001 \right)$$

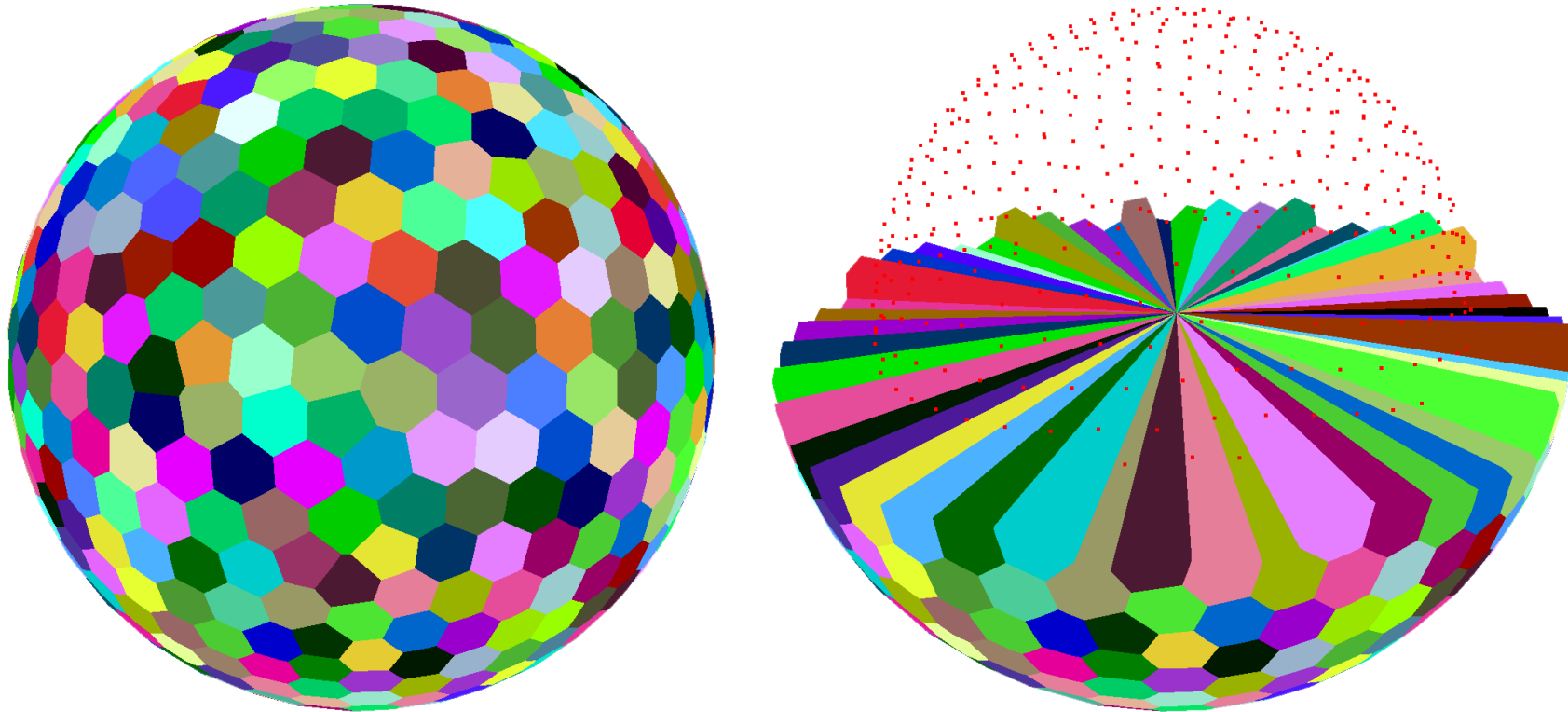


Resulting tessellations for a non-convex target function $f(x, y) = x^3 + y^3, -1 \leq x, y \leq 1$ with a constant density (left) and a non-uniform density function (right)

Results

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□ 3D results



Tessellation of sphere for a non-smooth target function

$$f(x, y, z) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad \text{with 800 sites}$$

Results

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□ 3D results



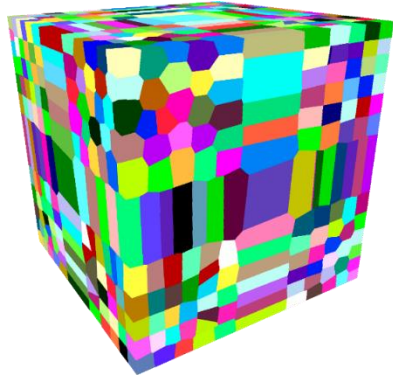
3D optimal power diagrams with increasing anisotropy
Left: isotropic, middle: 2:1:1, right: 8:1:1

Results

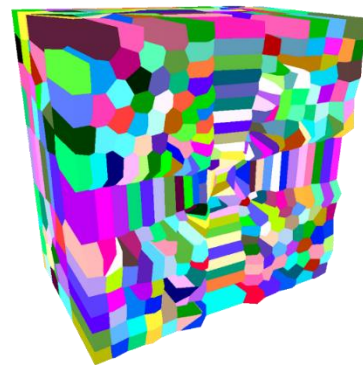
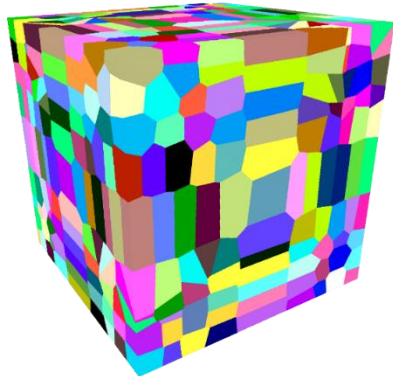
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□ 3D results

$$f(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^3 + z^3, -1 \leq x, y, z \leq 1$$



$$\rho(x, y, z) = 1.0$$



$$\rho(x, y, z) = 1.0 / \left((x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^2 + 0.001 \right)$$

Exterior and cutaway views of tessellations for a non-convex target function with a constant density (top) and non-uniform density (bottom)

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Applications

- Image approximation
- Surface approximation
- Point cloud resampling
- 3D printing
- Packing

Applications - Image Approximation

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- Objective function:

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{\Omega_i} (|r(\mathbf{x}) - R_i^*(\mathbf{x})|^2 + |g(\mathbf{x}) - G_i^*(\mathbf{x})|^2 + |b(\mathbf{x}) - B_i^*(\mathbf{x})|^2) d\mathbf{x},$$



Applications - Image Approximation

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initialization

Applications - Image Approximation

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after 10 iterations

Applications - Image Approximation

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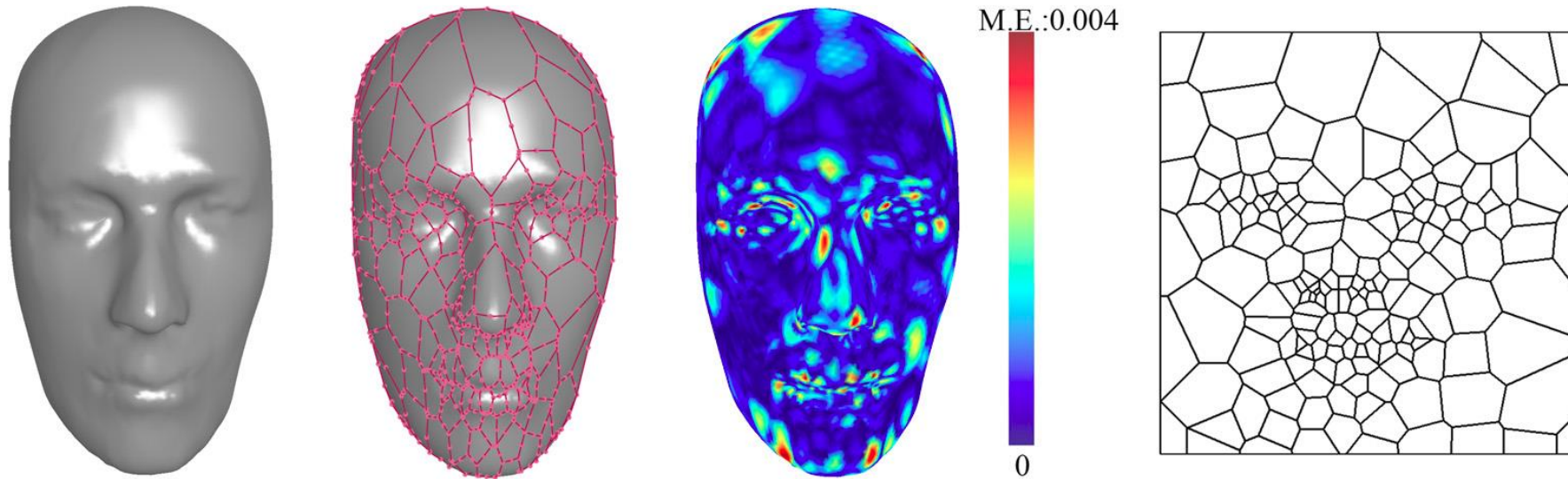


final result after 150 iterations

Applications - Surface Approximation [*CAGD'18*]

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- Using generalized barycentric finite elements -- quadratic serendipity elements over planar polygons



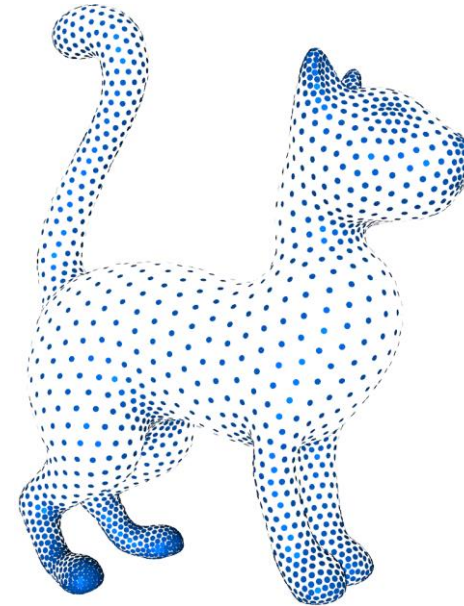
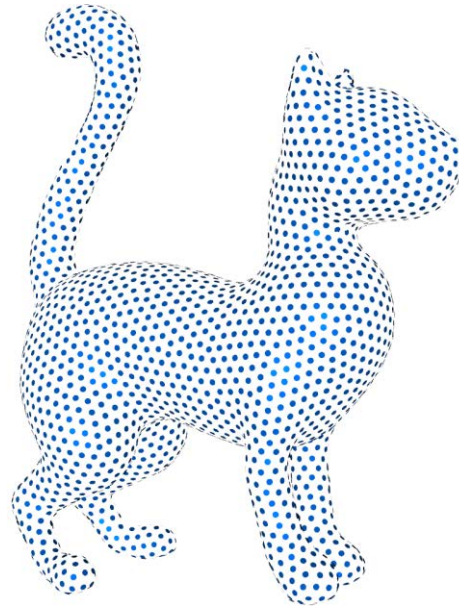
From left to right: the result surface, result surface with interpolated points, color-coded approximation errors, and the tessellation on the parametric domain.

Applications – Point Cloud Resampling*

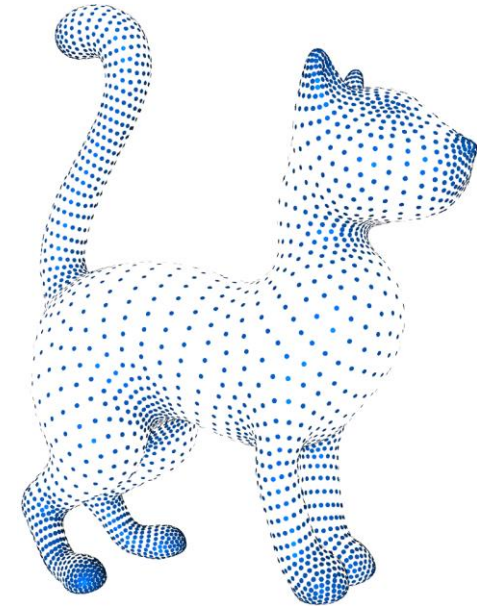
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input point cloud



output

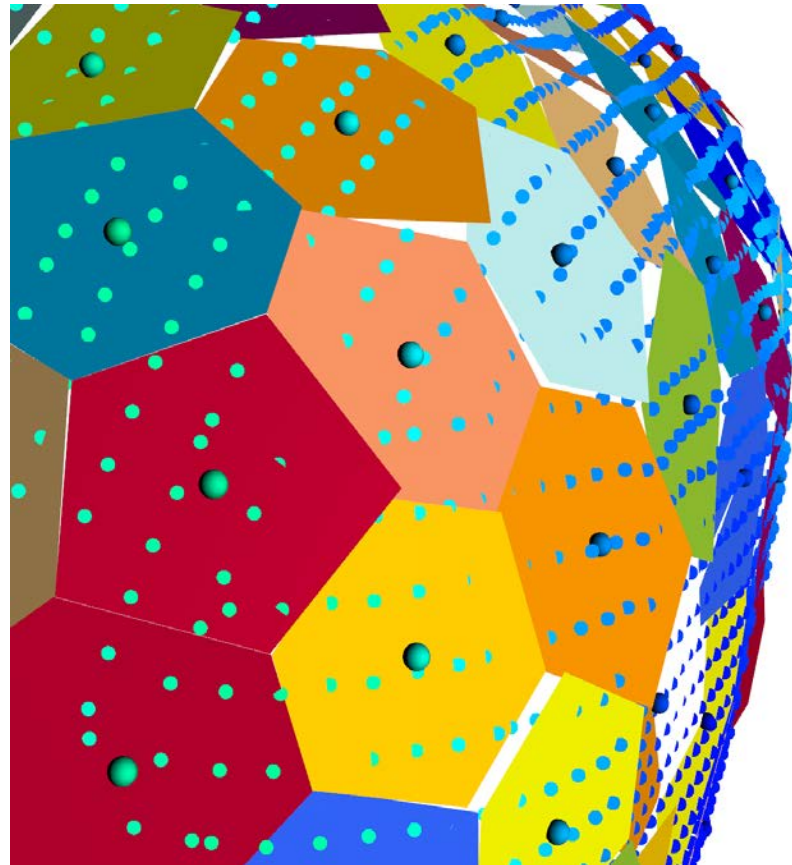


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Applications – Point Cloud Resampling

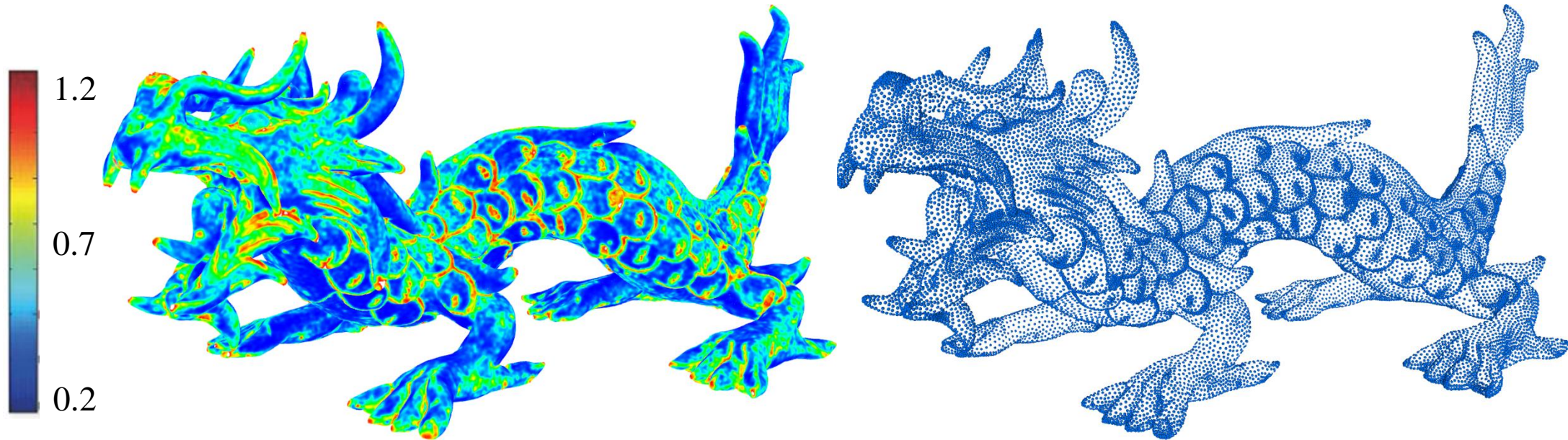
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- Voronoi cells restricted on local fitting planes



Applications – Point Cloud Resampling

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(a) input(3M)

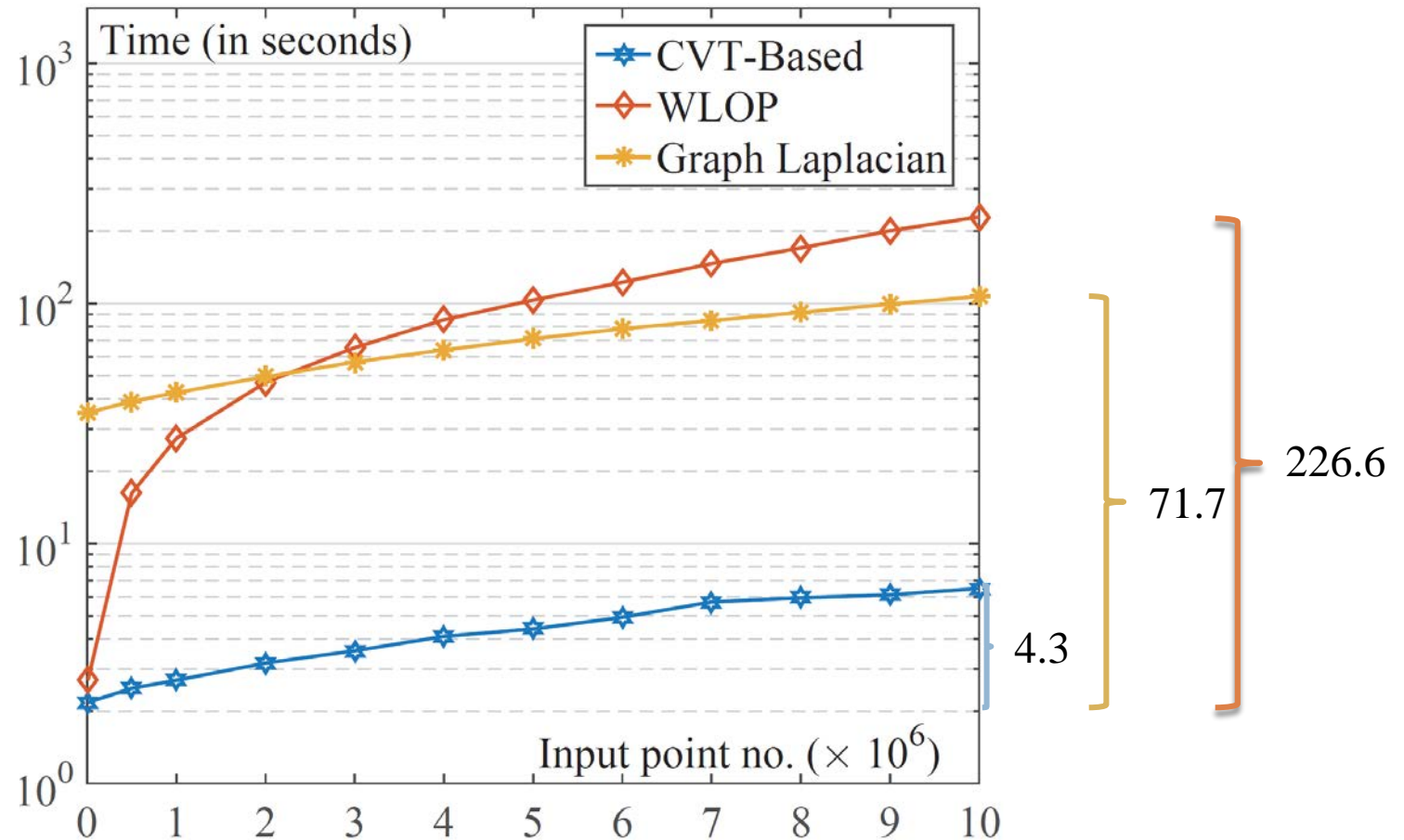
(b) weighted resampling(50k)

□ *Adaptive resampling result* of scan data of a dragon model in 16.4s

Applications – Point Cloud Resampling

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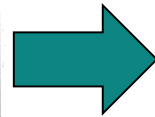
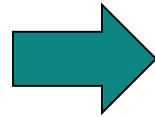
- Running time against the number of input points ranging from 10K to 10M, with a fixed output point number ($m = 10K$)



Applications – 3D Printing [*Computers & Graphics'17*]

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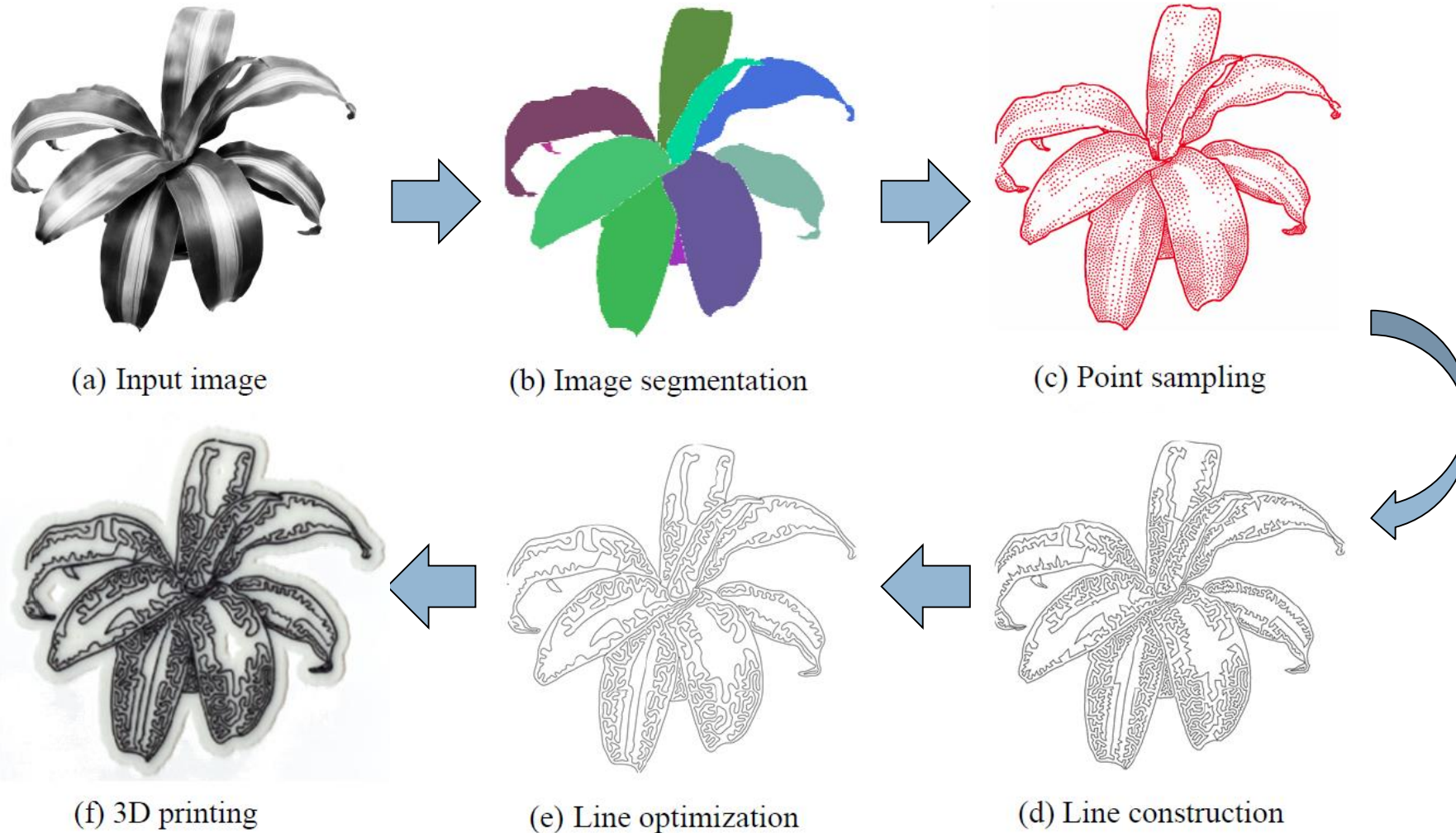
□ Line Drawing for 3D Printing



Applications – 3D Printing

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Algorithm overview



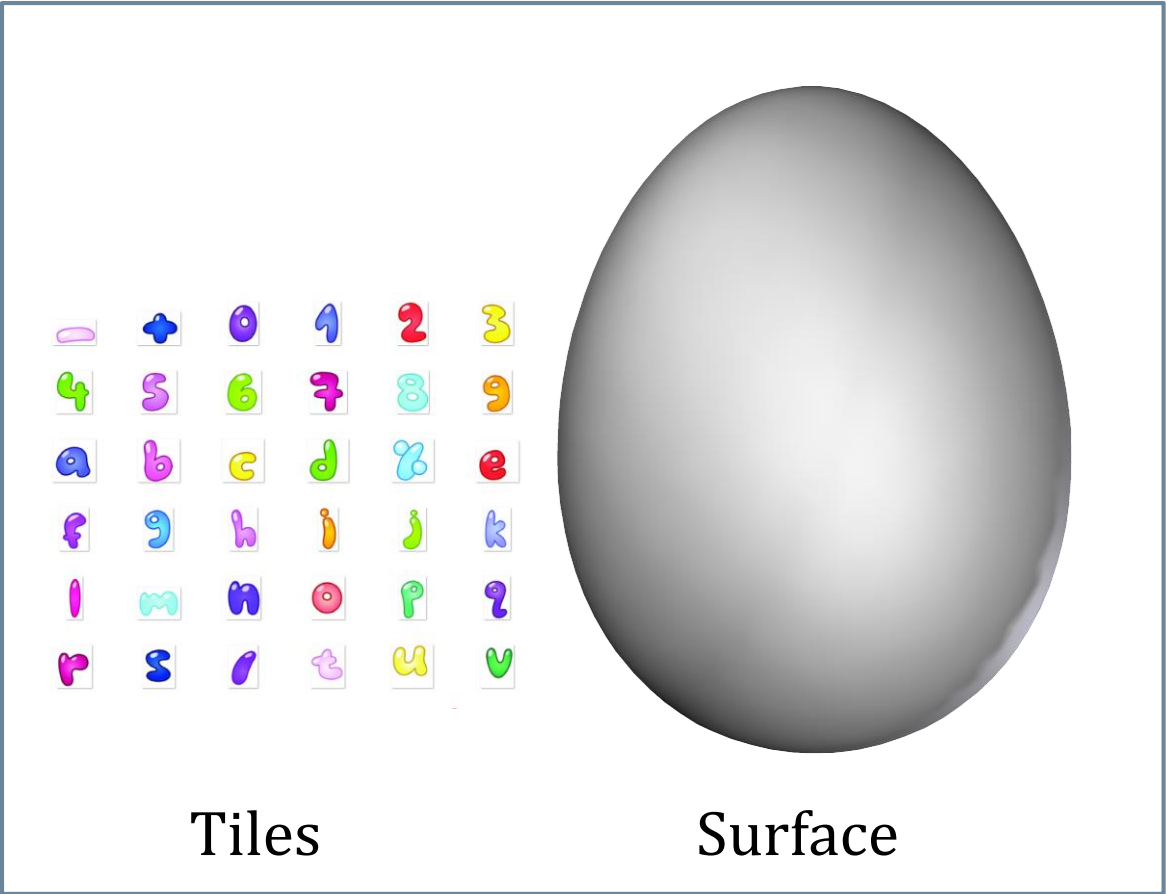
Applications – 3D Printing

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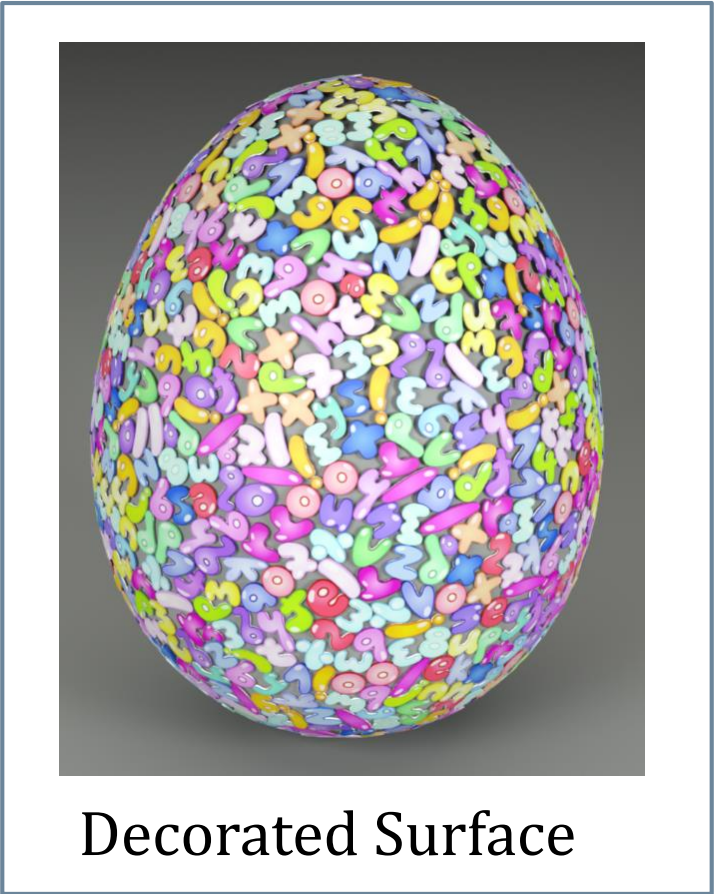
□ Printing results



Applications – Irregular Packing [TVCG'16]



Input

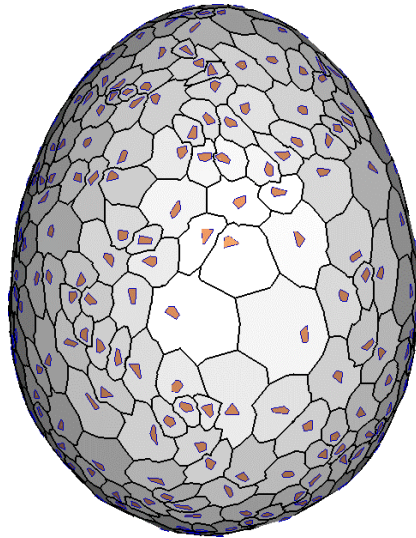


Output

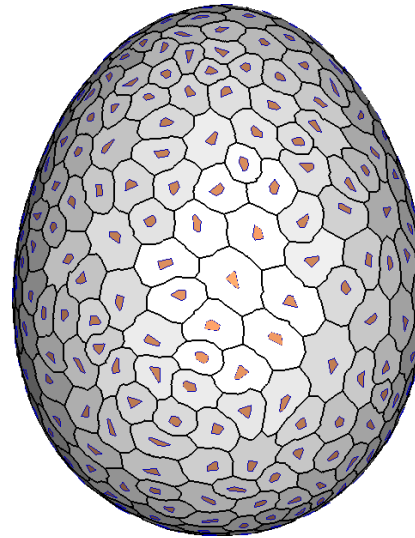
Applications – Irregular Packing

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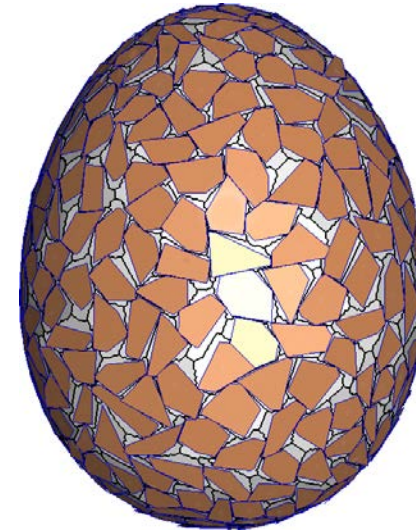
- Iterative Relaxation Method
 - ▣ **Surface Partitioning:** divide the supporting surface into a set of nonoverlapping regions
 - ▣ **Tile Optimization:** adjust the orientation, location and scaling of each tile



Initial placement



After one iteration



After convergence

Applications – Irregular Packing

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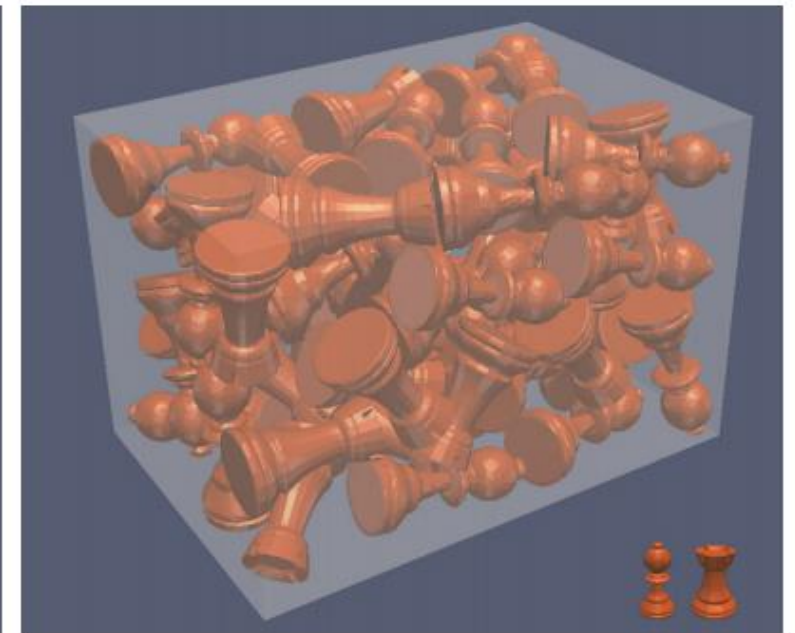
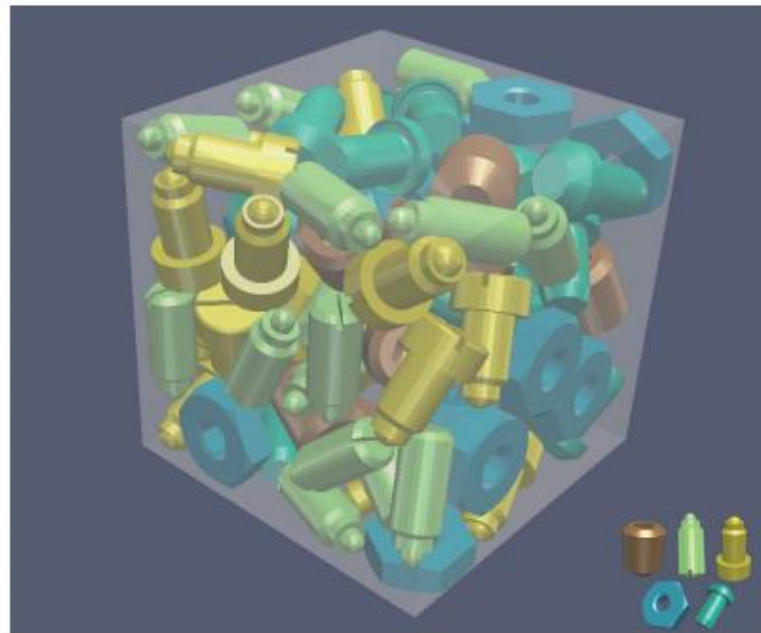
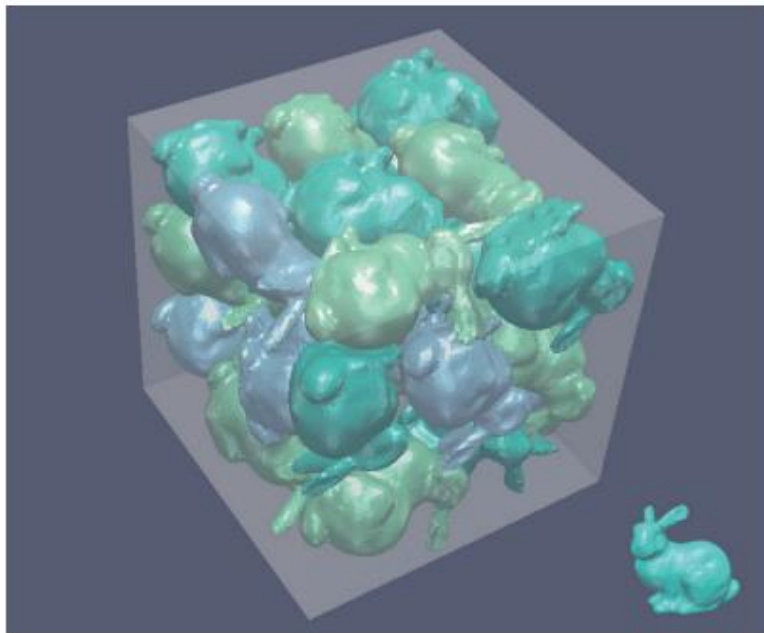
- Packing irregular tiles on surfaces



Applications – Irregular Packing

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- Packing irregular 3D shapes [*SGP'18*]



Summary and Future Work

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- Variational principle for optimal tessellation generation
- Piecewise approximation problems
 - ▣ Basis functions
 - ▣ Tessellations
- Efficient optimization methods
- Applications

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