

As-Rigid-As-Possible Surface Modeling

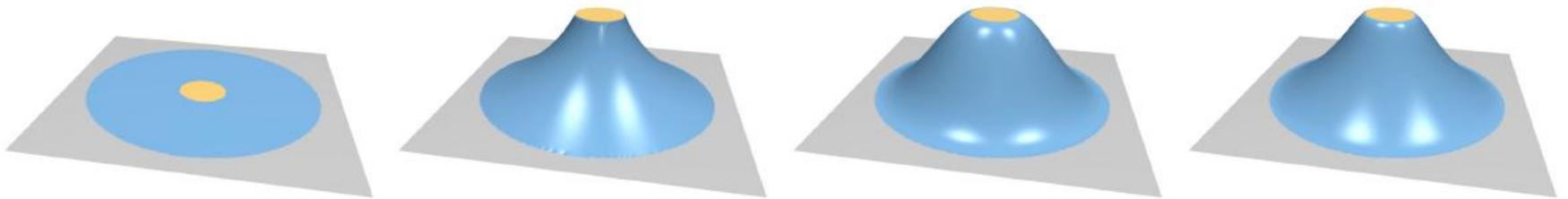
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Goal

- A shape modeling framework that supports intuitive and detail-preserving deformation.



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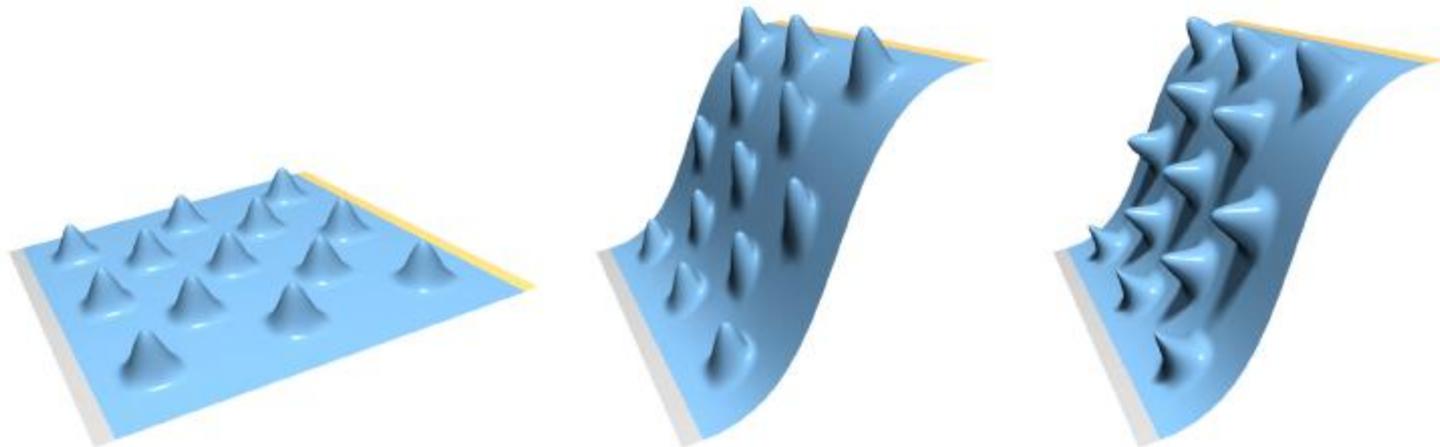
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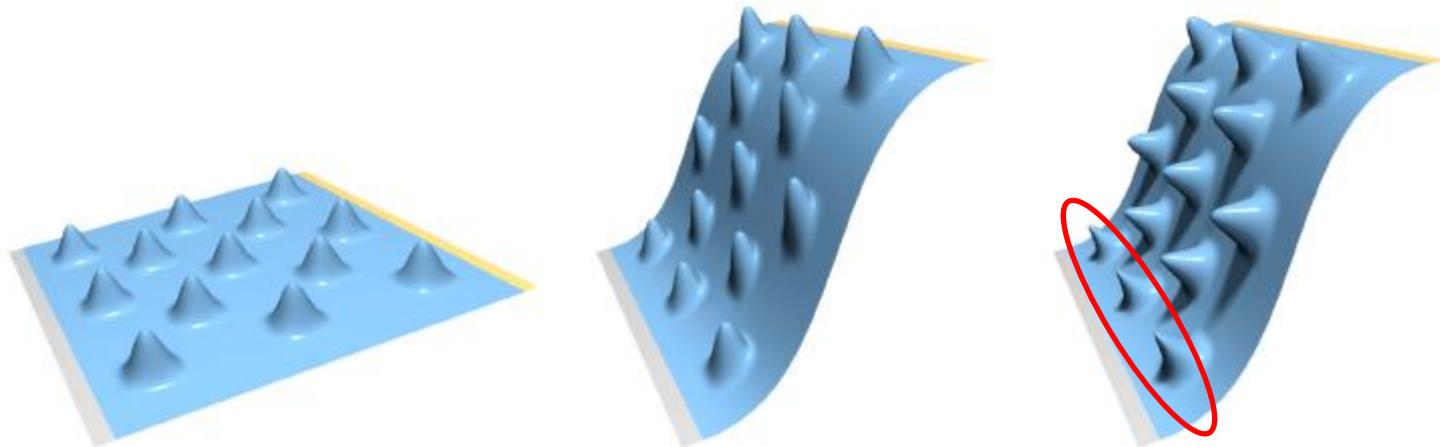
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- The paper proposes to break a surface into overlapping **cells** and seek to keep the transformation in each cell rigid.

Measurement of Rigidity

- We define each cell covers the triangles incident upon a vertex (i.e. the one-ring neighborhood).
- Given the cell C_i corresponding to vertex i that deforms to C_i' , we know there exists a rotation R_i' such that

$$\mathbf{p}'_i - \mathbf{p}'_j = \mathbf{R}_i (\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j), \quad \forall j \in \mathcal{N}(i)$$

if the transformation of that cell is perfectly rigid.

Measurement of Rigidity

- This leads to an energy function that is minimized when the rigidity is maximized:

$$E(C_i, C'_i) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \left\| (\mathbf{p}'_i - \mathbf{p}'_j) - \mathbf{R}_i(\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j) \right\|^2.$$

- Summing up energy functions from all cells, we obtain a global energy functional:

$$\begin{aligned} E(S') &= \sum_{i=1}^n w_i E(C_i, C'_i) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \left\| (\mathbf{p}'_i - \mathbf{p}'_j) - \mathbf{R}_i(\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j) \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Minimization Scheme

- The energy functional is non-linear and depends only on p_i' : the new positions of the vertices.
- A two-stage, alternating scheme is proposed to decrease energy iteratively. This is achieved by separating the optimization of R_i (though it depends on p_i') from the optimization of p_i'

Stage 1: Optimization of R_i

- Given vertex positions, we would like to find optimal rigid transformations $\{R_i\}$

- Rewrite the energy function:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_j w_{ij} (\mathbf{e}'_{ij} - \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{e}_{ij})^T (\mathbf{e}'_{ij} - \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{e}_{ij}) = \\
 & = \sum_j w_{ij} \left(\mathbf{e}'_{ij}{}^T \mathbf{e}'_{ij} - 2 \mathbf{e}'_{ij}{}^T \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{e}_{ij} + \mathbf{e}'_{ij}{}^T \mathbf{R}_i^T \mathbf{R}_i \mathbf{e}_{ij} \right) = \\
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- Dropping constants then

$$\begin{aligned}
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 \end{aligned}$$

- $\operatorname{Tr}(R_i S_i)$ can be maximized by making $R_i S_i$ symmetric PSD via SVD

Stage 2: Optimization of P_i'

- Given $\{R_i\}$, we would like to find optimal vertex positions P_i'

- Differentiating the energy function, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial E(S')}{\partial \mathbf{p}'_i} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}'_i} \left(\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} \left\| (\mathbf{p}'_i - \mathbf{p}'_j) - \mathbf{R}_i(\mathbf{p}_i - \mathbf{p}_j) \right\|^2 + \right. \\
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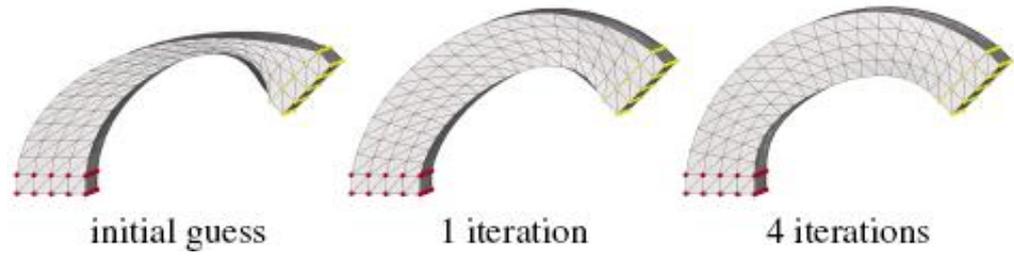
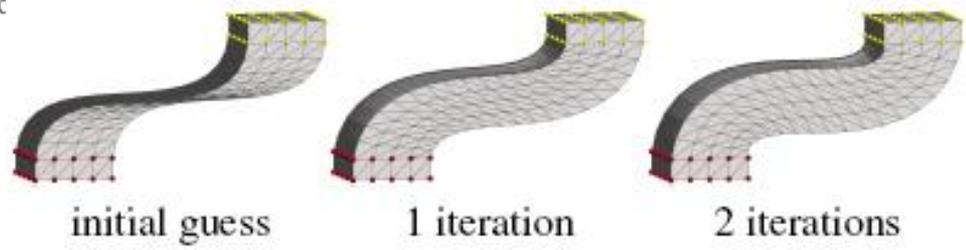
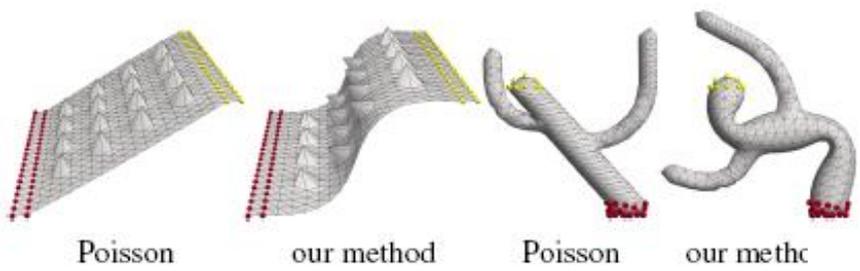
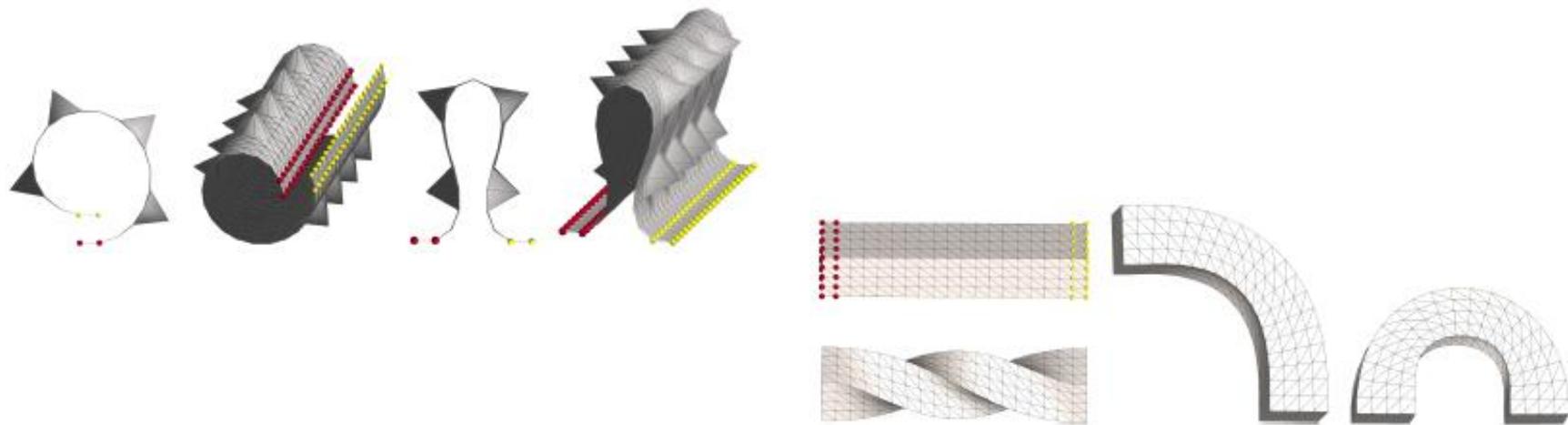
- The first stage involves solving a series of (3x3) SVD problem. The complexity is linear.
- The second stage involves solving a Poisson equation. It is important to note that the system matrix never changes, only the constraint does.
- This suggests pre-factorization of the system. Though expensive to compute, it is an one-time task.

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 - Note that the matrix is sparse. In practice, it is permuted first to ensure the resulting factorization will be sparse too. So the complexity will be linear in the number of vertices.



Conclusion

- The paper proposes a shape deformation modeling framework that preserves local rigidity as much as possible (and thus detail-preserving).
- The advantages of the approach are
 1. Robustness(?): guaranteed to converge to something...(a good initial guess is important!)
 2. Simplicity: easy to implement
 3. Efficiency: able to pre-factorize the system
- The visual results are comparable to the fully non-linear technique [Botsch et al., 07]