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A Personal Portrait

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Inspiration

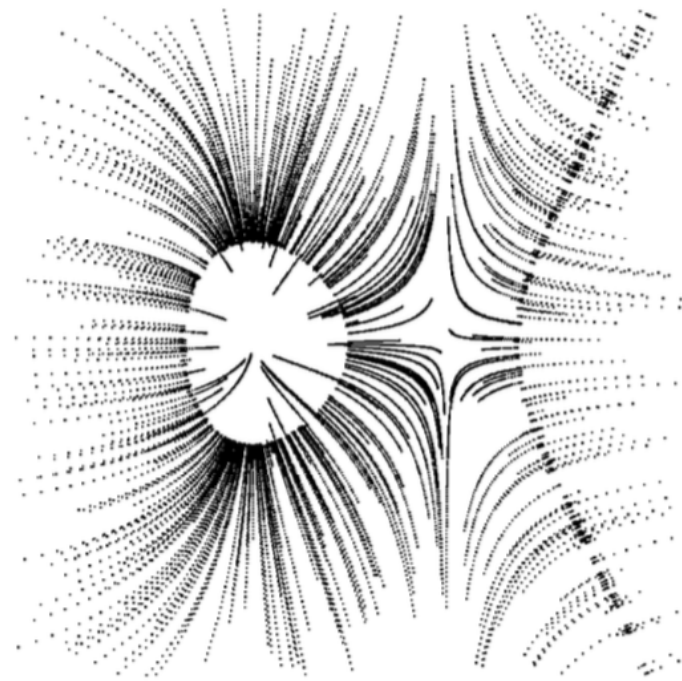
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Manfredo do Carmo, 28 de Agosto de 1984 (*)

(*) Parte do discurso ao receber o Prêmio Nacional de Ciência e Tecnologia

The Big Picture

Mathematics



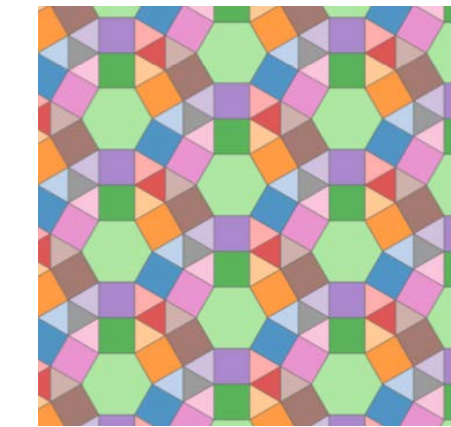
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Computing



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  return sum
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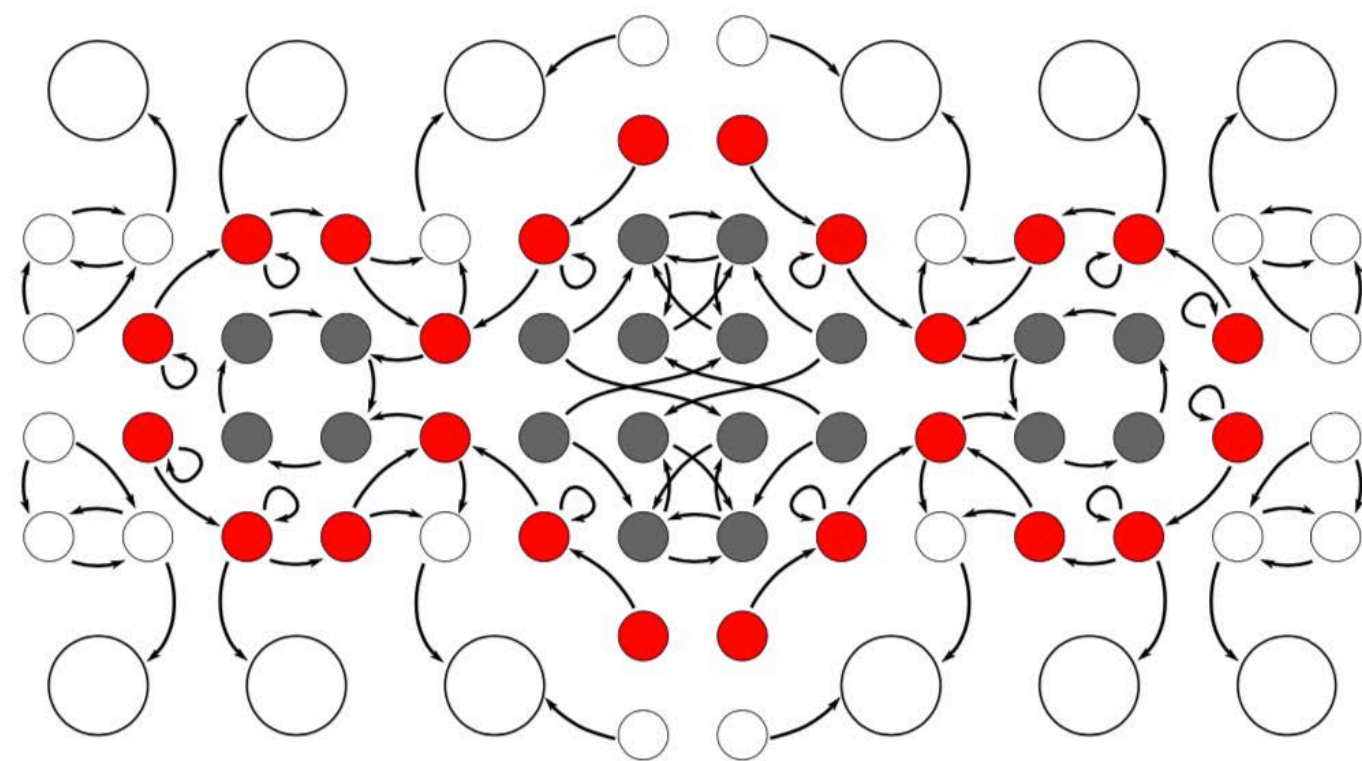
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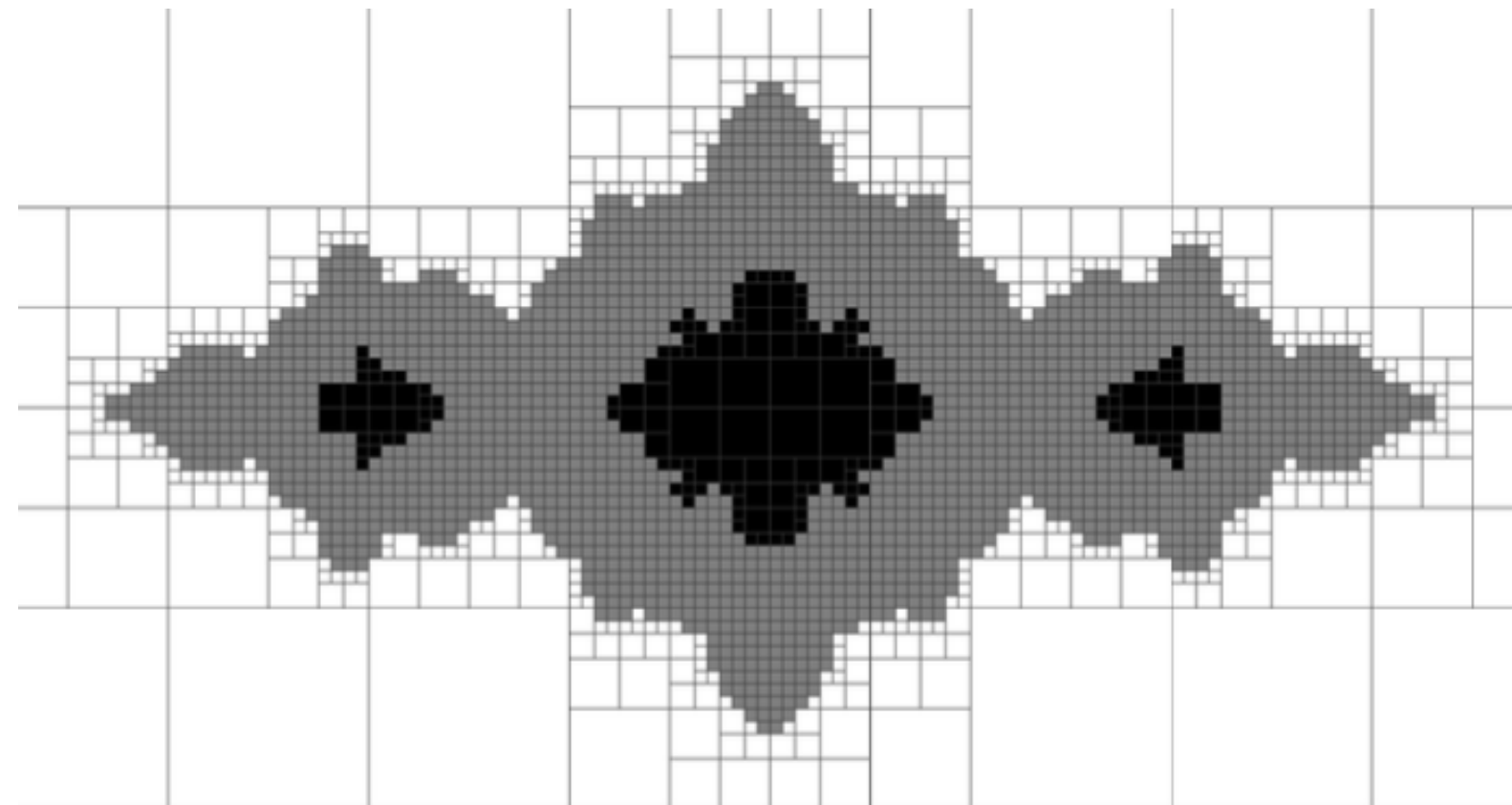
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Three Pillars

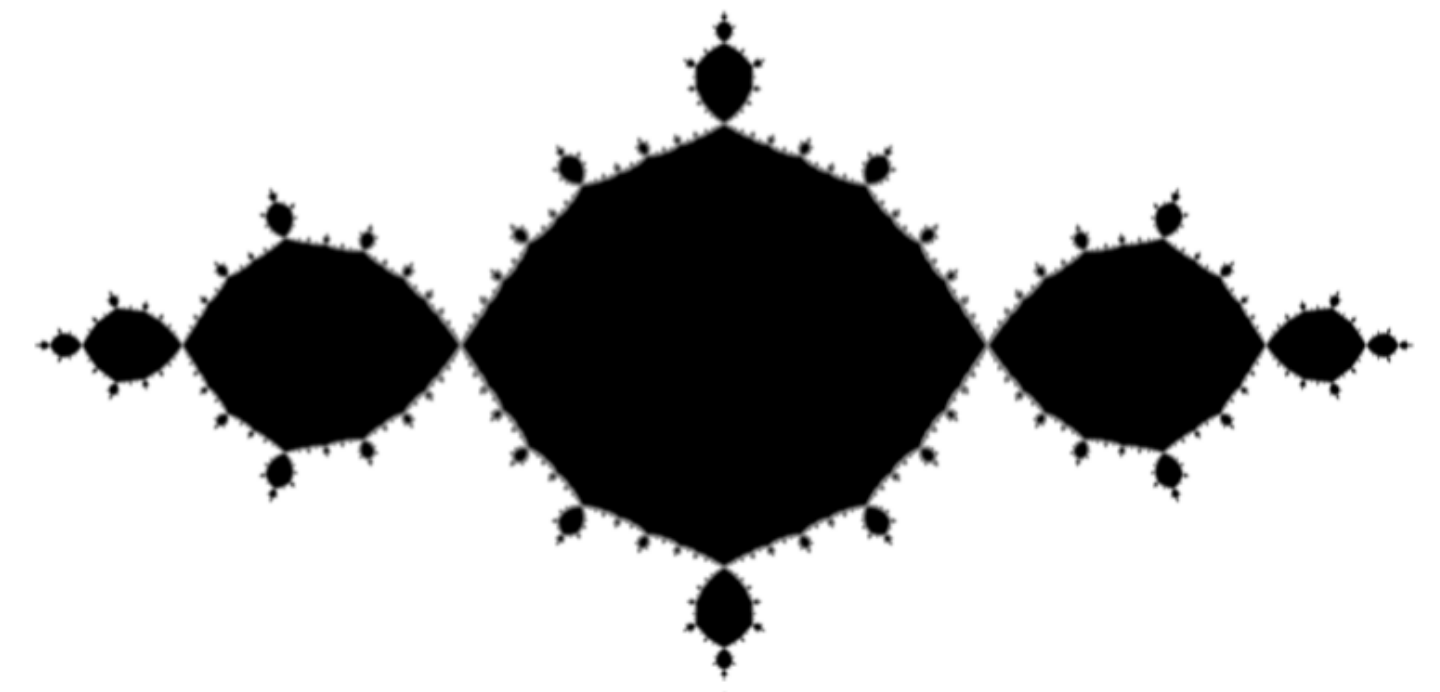
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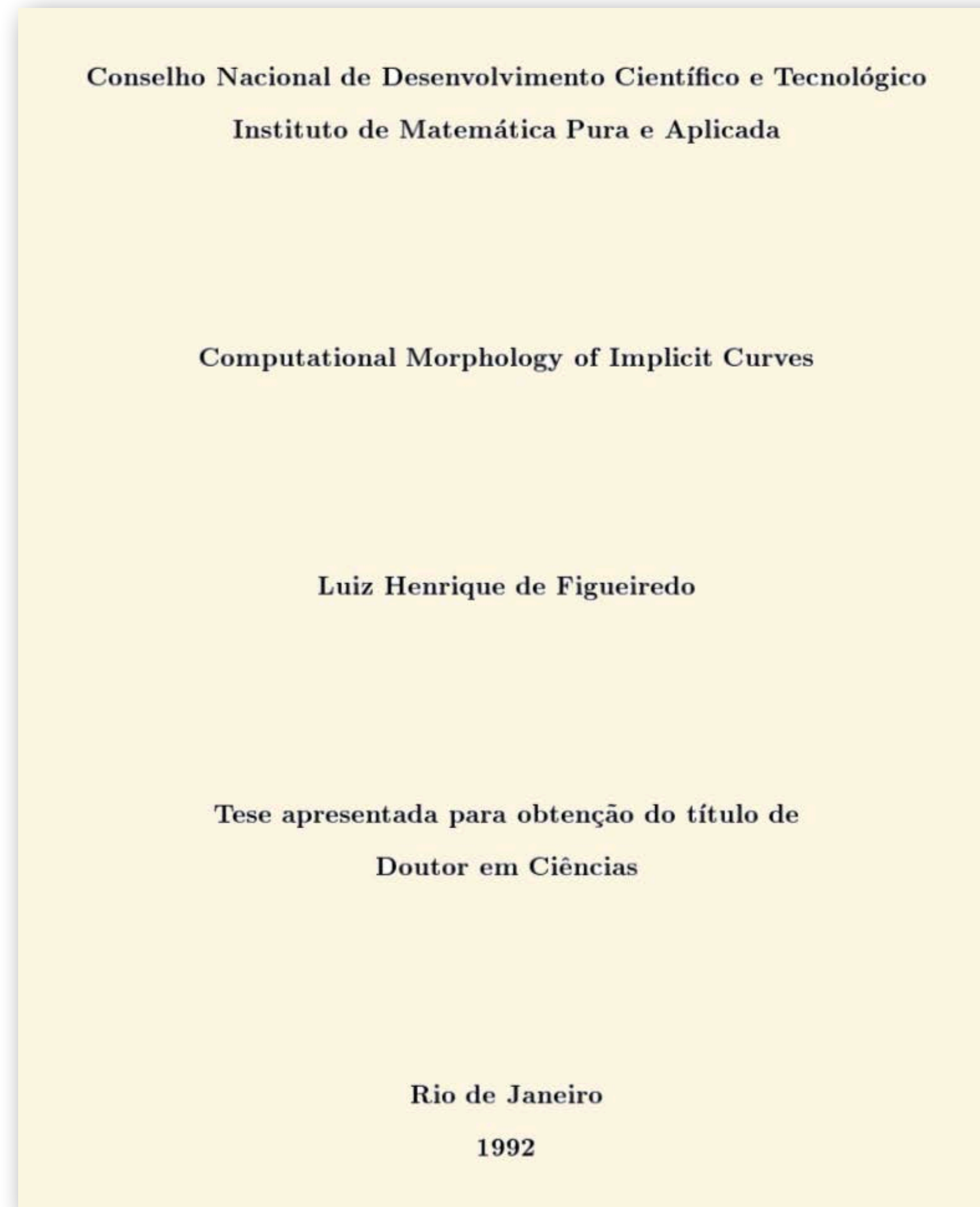
Depiction



Images of Julia sets that you can trust

The Beginning

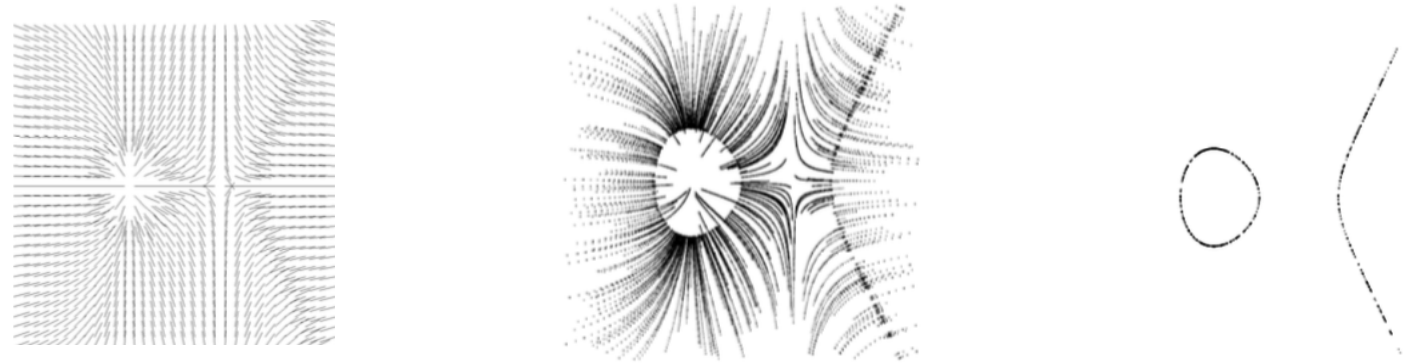
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Start of IMPA's
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Main Contributions

- Physically-Based Sampling for Implicit Objects



Gradient Field

Dynamical Systems

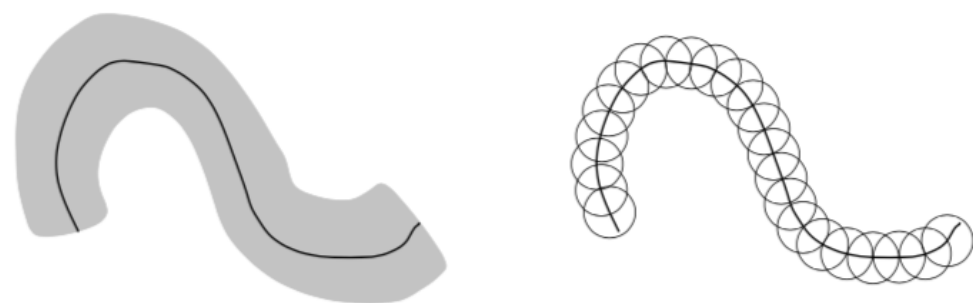
- Taxonomy of Structuring Problems



Spanning Trees

Computational Geometry

- New Ideas for Modeling Implicit Geometry



Tubular Neighborhood

Differential Topology

Our First Joint Paper

- Graphics Interface'92

Physically-Based Methods for Polygonization of Implicit Surfaces

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- *Results*



Expanding the Collaboration

- *Texture, Implicit Objects and Particle Systems*

Basic

Textura de superfícies implícitas com sistemas de partículas

Proceedings of SIBGRAP'95, 305–306 (with Ruben Zonenschein, Jonas Gomes, Luiz Velho)

Texturing implicit surfaces with particle systems

SIGGRAPH'97 Visual Proceedings 172 (with Ruben Zonenschein, Jonas Gomes, and Luiz Velho)

Extensions

Controlling texture mapping onto implicit surfaces with particle systems

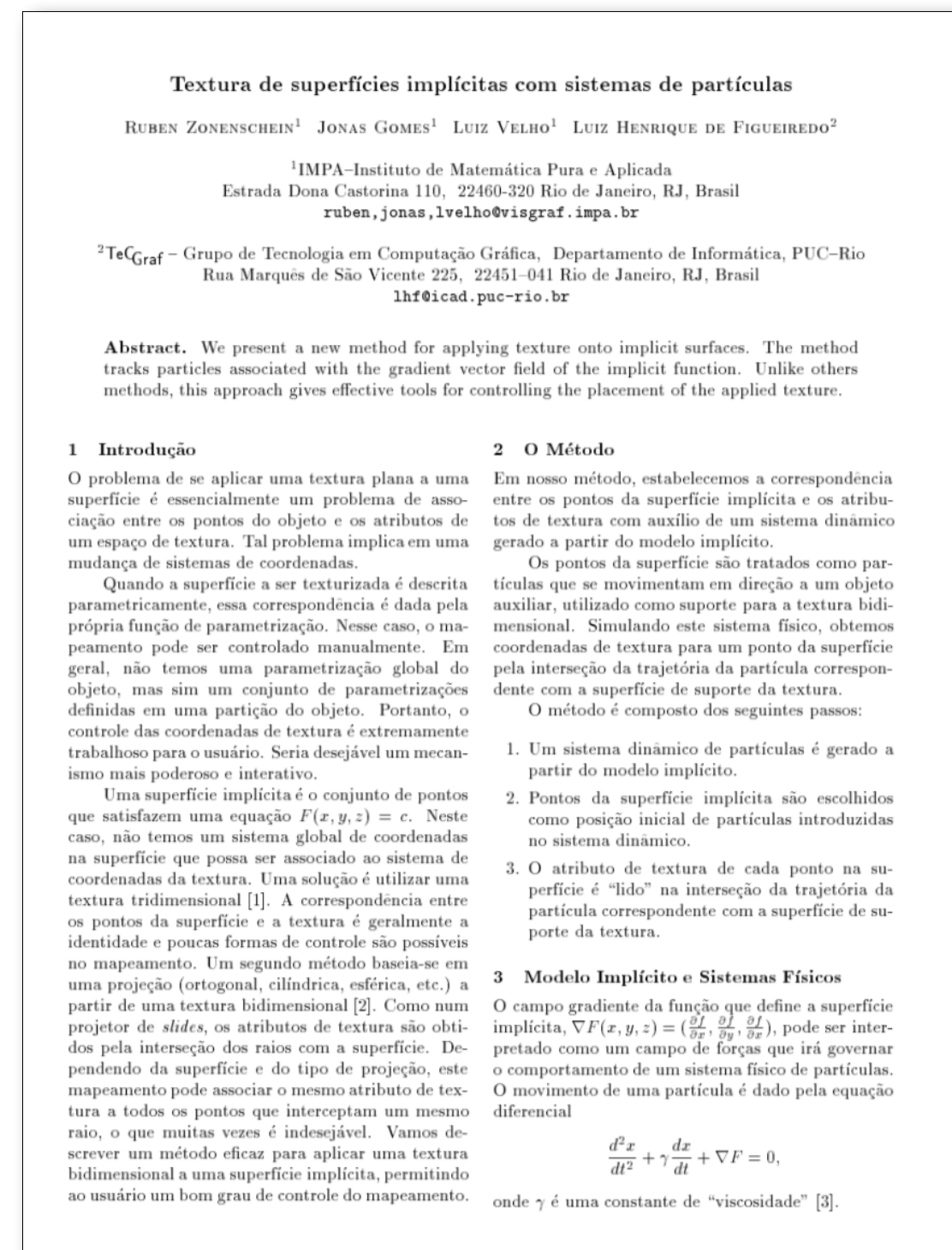
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Texturing composite deformable implicit objects

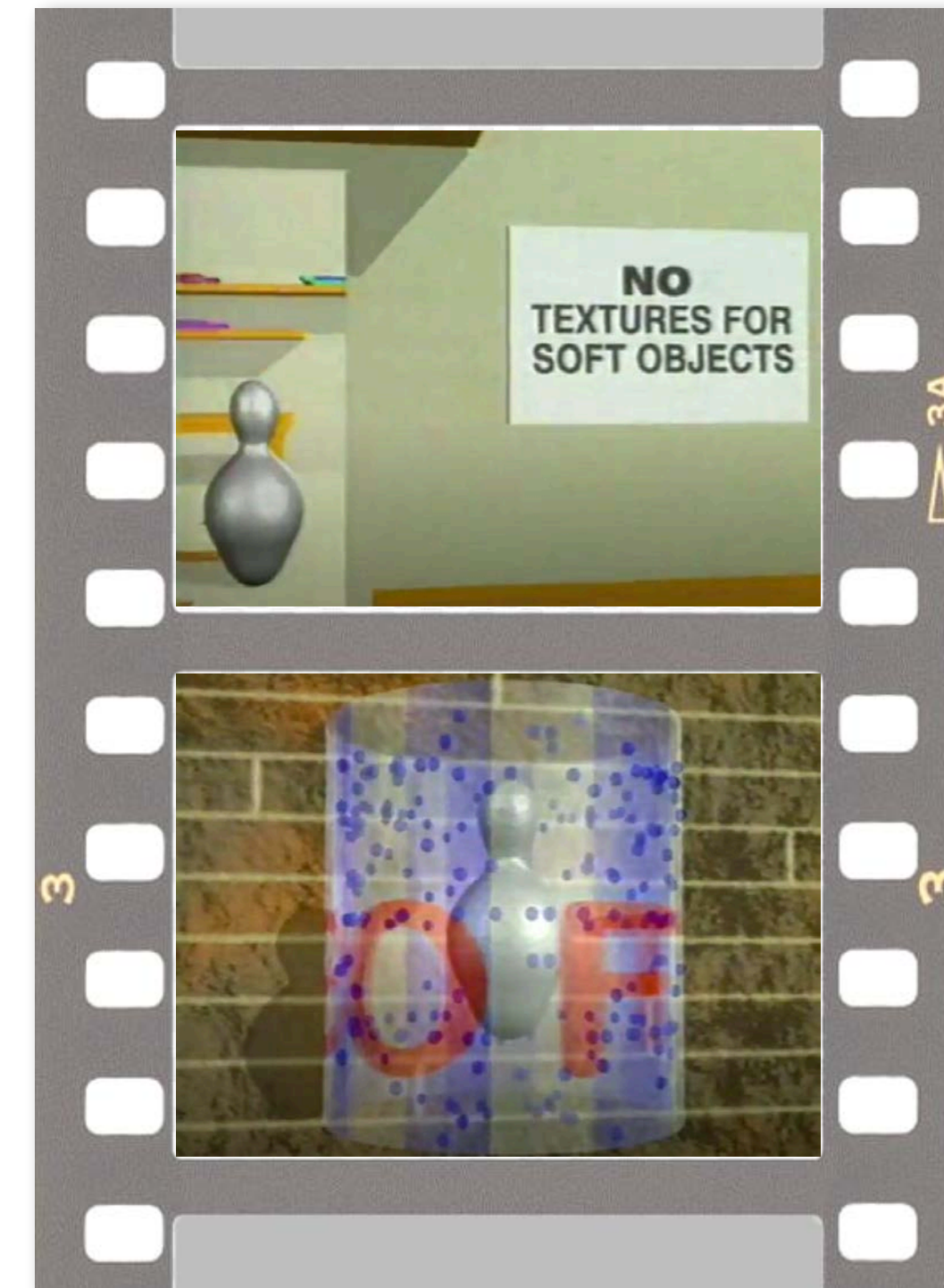
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(Part 1) With IMPA's Crowd ...

- Papers and Films



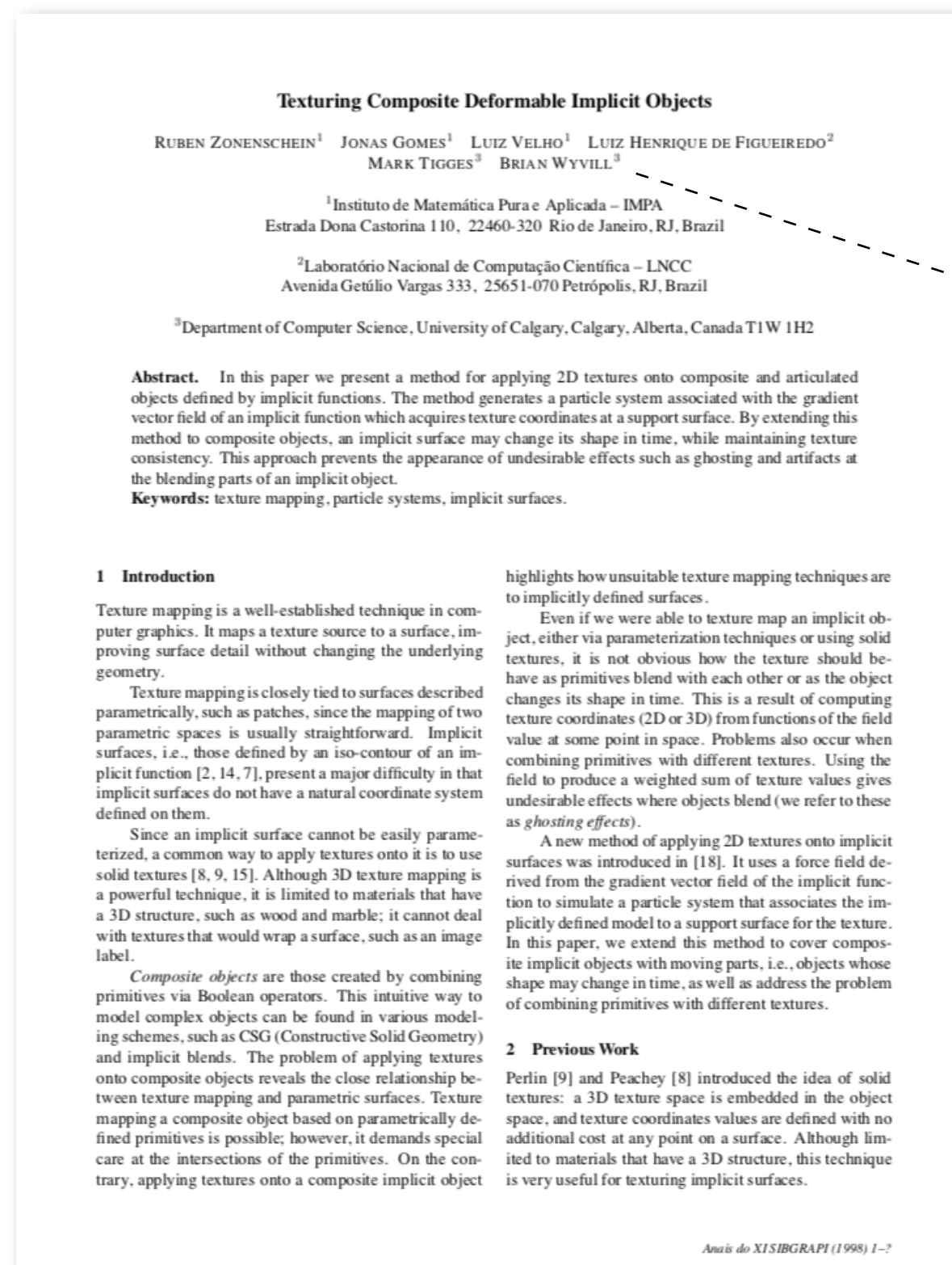
SIBGRAPI'95 - Main Track



SIGGRAPH'97 - Video Show

... and With the Man Himself (Part 2)

- Canada Connection



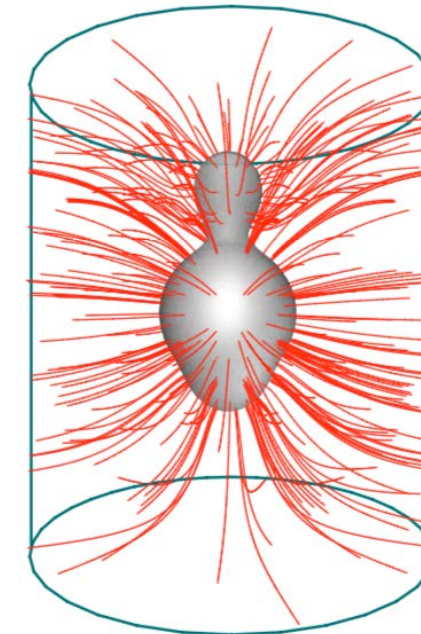
Brian Wyvill

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Dr. Brian "Blob" Wyvill is a Canadian [computer scientist](#) and [author](#) who is currently a professor emeritus at the University of Victoria.

The Basic Method

- Compatible Surfaces
 - Source / Destination



support surface



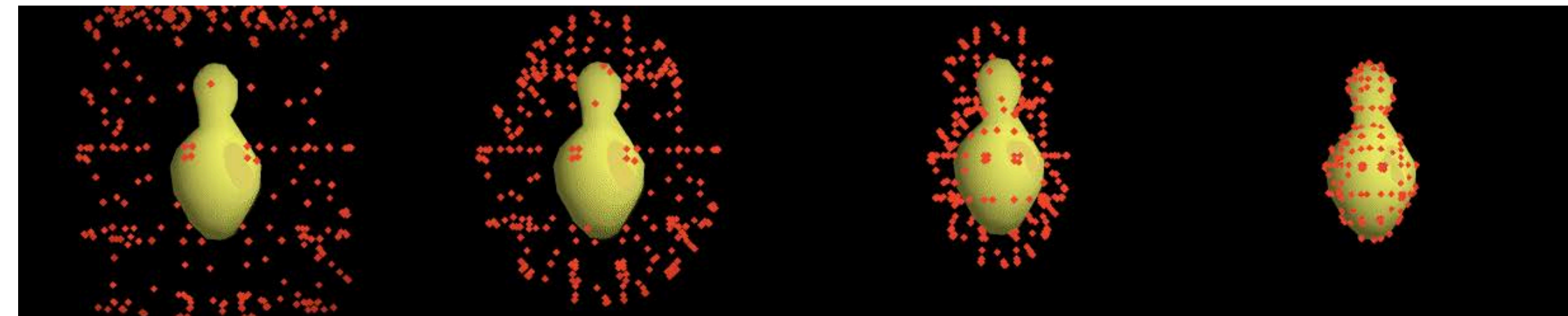
texture



implicit surface

1. Projection Step

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \gamma \frac{dx}{dt} + \alpha(t)\nabla F - (1 - \alpha(t))\nabla G = 0.$$



particle advection by gradient flow

2. Mapping Step

- Implicit Surface Points
- ↕
- Texture Coordinates



texture coordinate transfer

Extensions

- Blob Trees
 - Composite Implicit Objects

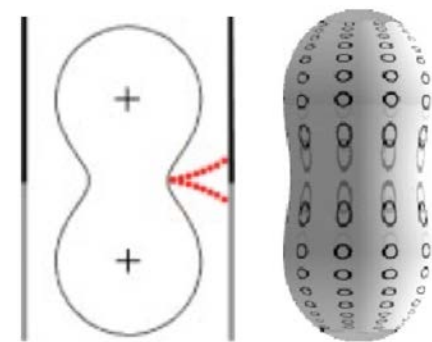
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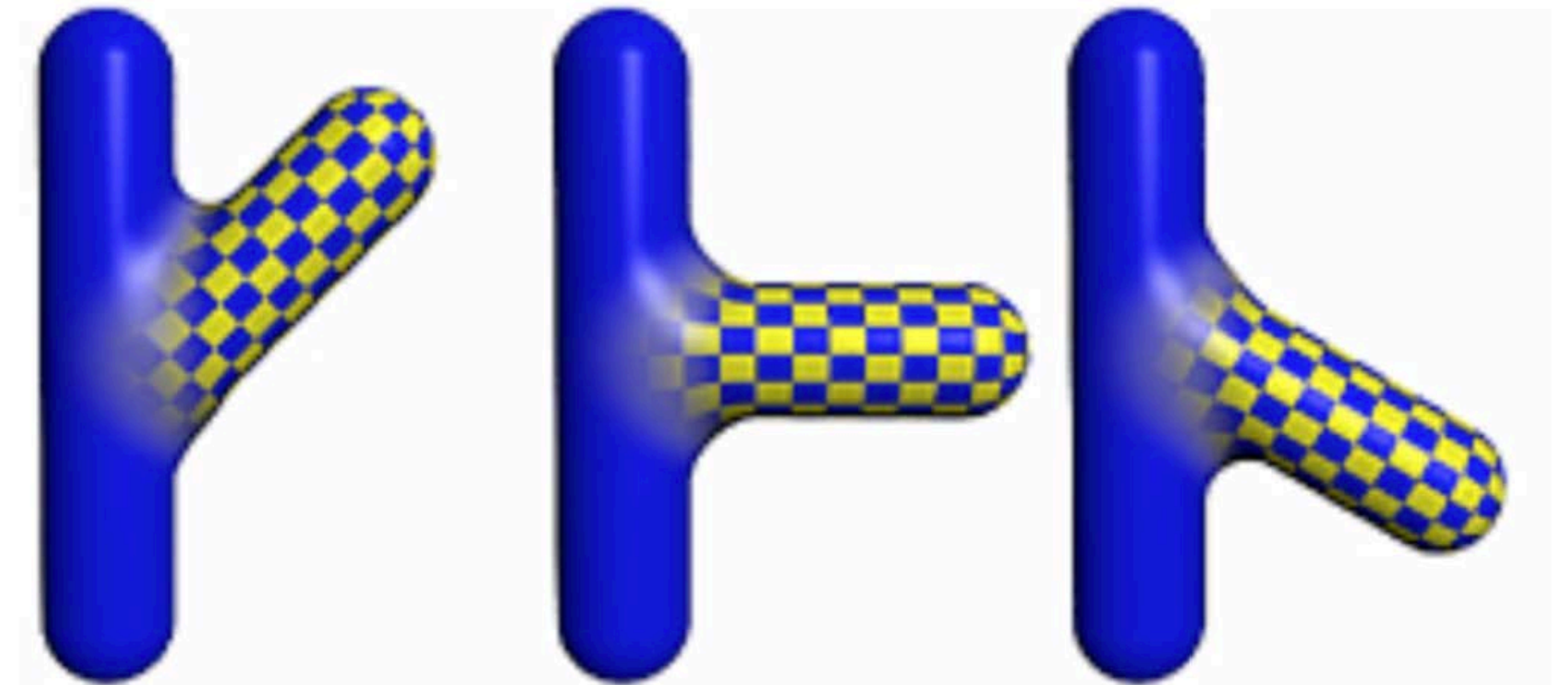
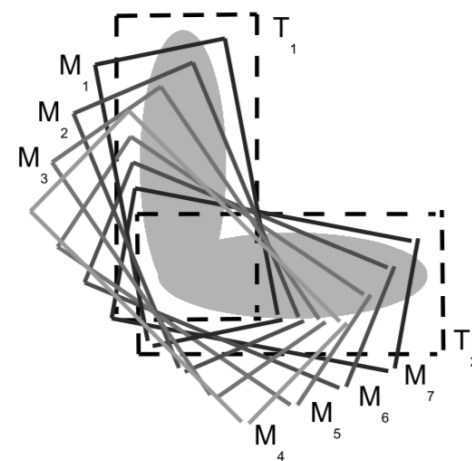
Metaballs

1. Color Blending

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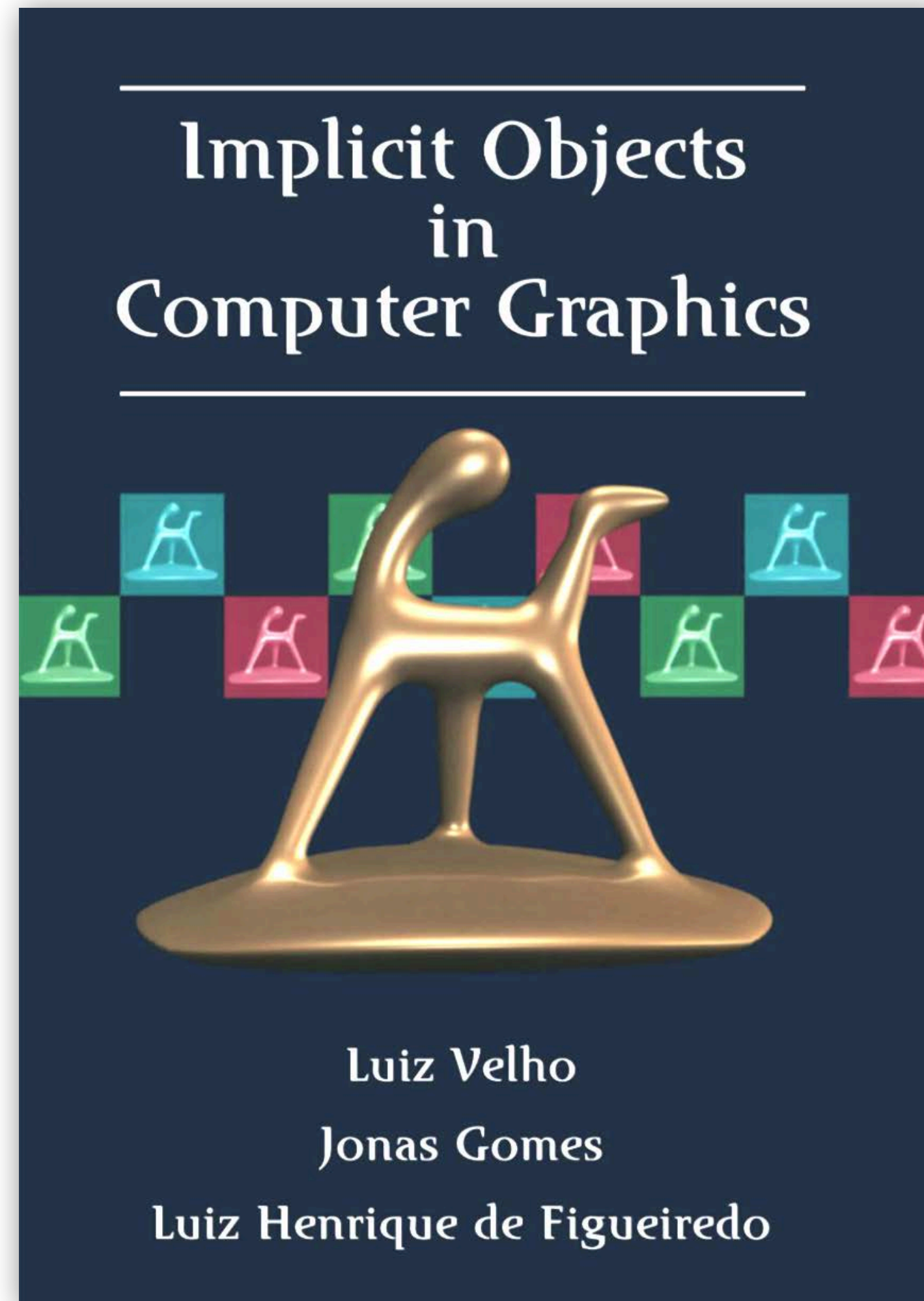
2. Transformation Blending



Articulated Objects

We Wrote the Book

- Main Research Topic



TOG!

- ACM Transactions on Graphics, 1999

A Unified Approach for Hierarchical Adaptive Tesselation of Surfaces

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This paper introduces a unified and general tessellation algorithm for parametric and implicit surfaces. The algorithm produces a hierarchical mesh that is adapted to the surface geometry and has a multiresolution and progressive structure. This representation can be exploited with advantages in several applications.

Categories and Subject Descriptors: I.3.5 [Computer Graphics]: Computational Geometry and Object Modeling; I.3.6 [Computer Graphics]: Methodology and Techniques.; J.6 [Computer-Aided Engineering]: Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

Additional Key Words and Phrases: Geometric modeling, surface approximation, polygonization, parametric surfaces, implicit surfaces, multiresolution representations, adapted meshes.

1. INTRODUCTION

The *polygonization*, or *tesselation*, of surfaces is a classical problem that has many practical applications in computer graphics and geometric modeling. The problem consists in computing a piecewise linear approximation for a smooth surface described either by parametric or implicit functions.

A polygonal mesh is the one of the simplest forms of surface description and therefore is the representation of choice in the implementation of a large number of algorithms. Moreover, existing graphics systems (e.g., OpenGL) have special support for polygonal primitives, specially for triangular meshes. Thus, despite the existence of more sophisticated forms for surface description (e.g., Bézier, B-splines, NURBS, etc.), there is always a need to represent surfaces in polygonal form.

1.1 Motivation

The main drawback of the polygonal representation is that it generally requires a large number of polygons to faithfully describe the geometry of complex curved surfaces. In part, this is due to the piecewise linear nature of the polygonal mesh,

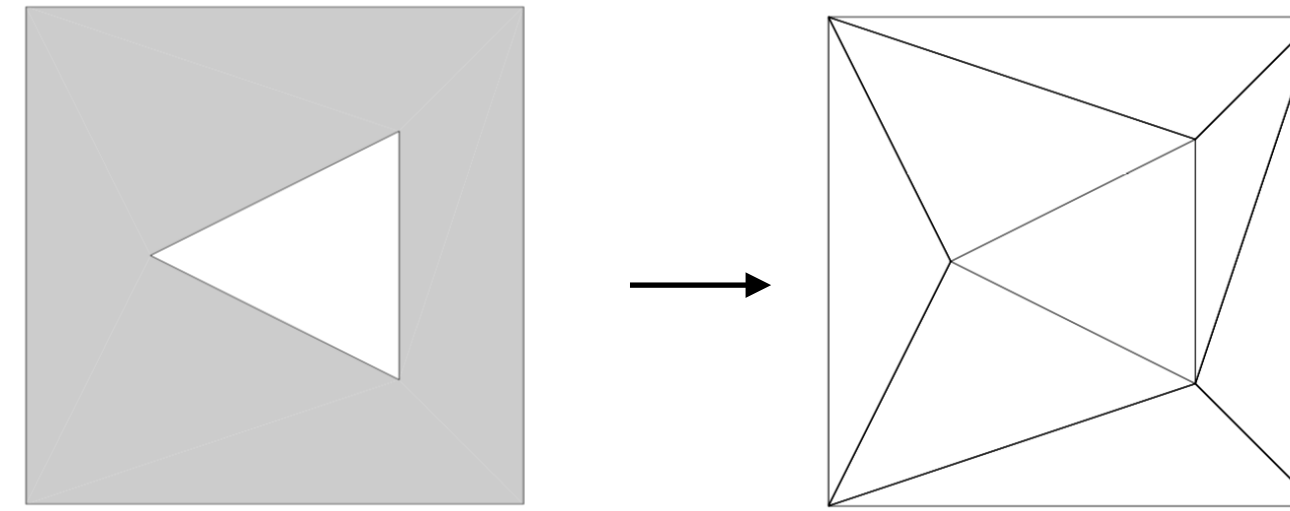
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The Method

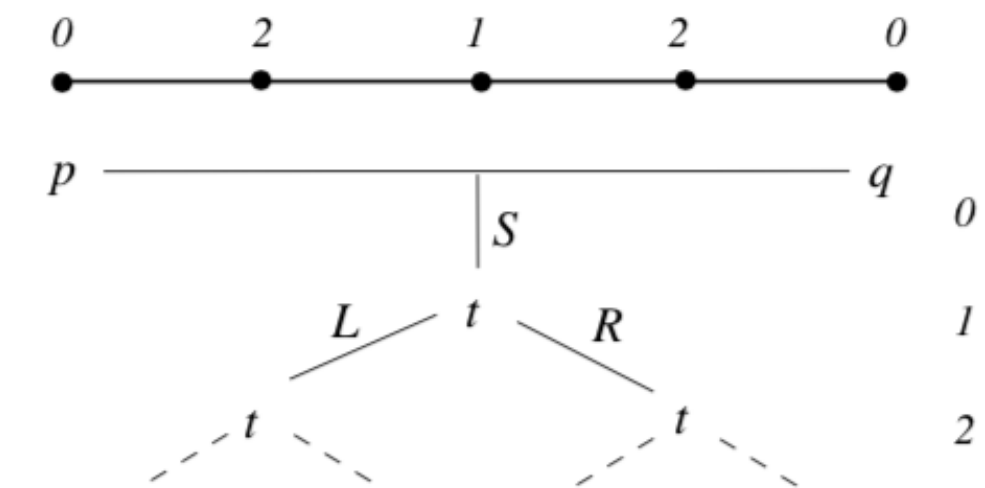
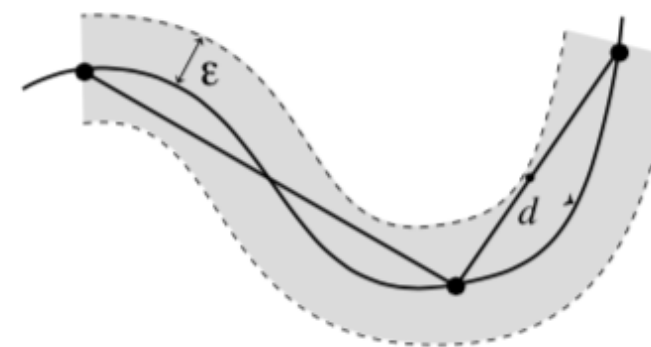
- Base Mesh Generation

- Input: *Surface Description*
- Output: *Triangular Mesh*



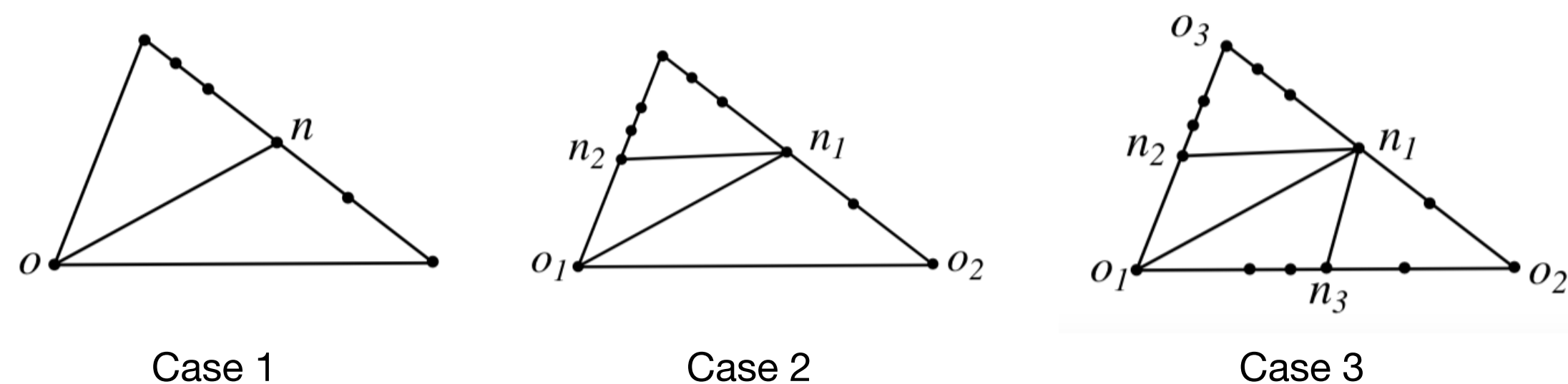
- Edge Sampling

- Input: *Edge Endpoints*
- Output: *Multiresolution Curve*



- Cell Structuring

- Input: *Triangular Cell*
- Output: *List of Sub-Cells*

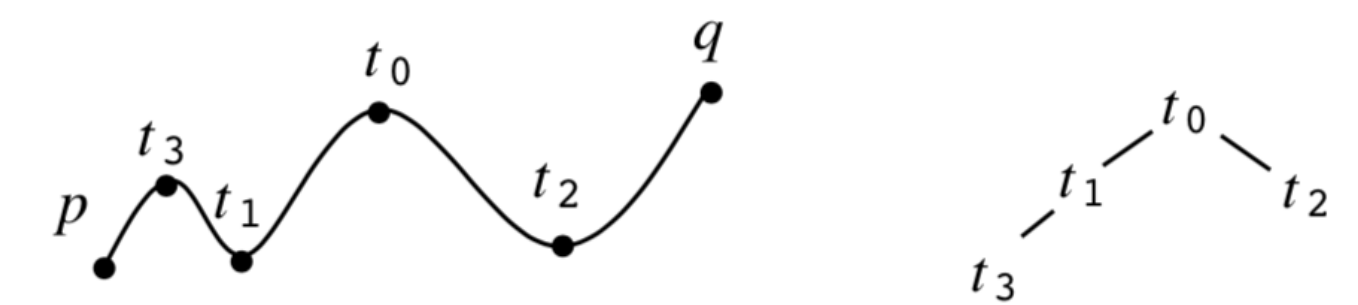


Algorithm

1 [INITIALIZATION]

Start with a coarse decomposition of the surface:

- 1.1 Generate the base mesh;
- 1.2 Sample the edges of all cells in the base mesh.



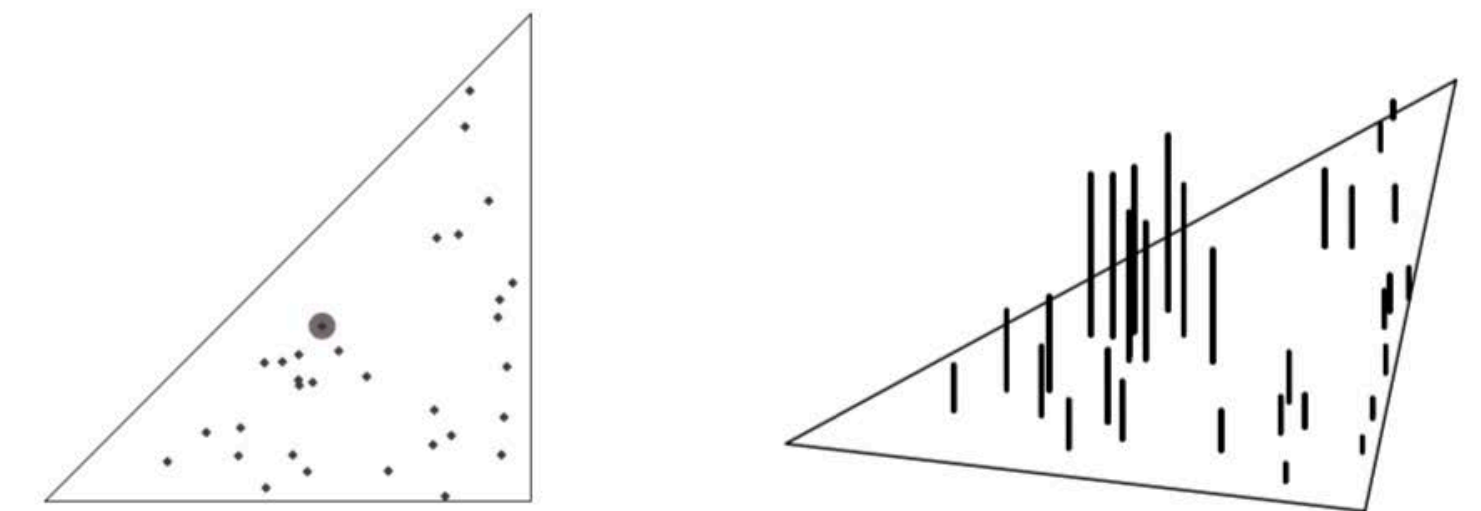
edge sampling

2 [REFINEMENT]

For each cell, test the corresponding surface patch for flatness.

If the patch is not flat, then recursively subdivide the cell:

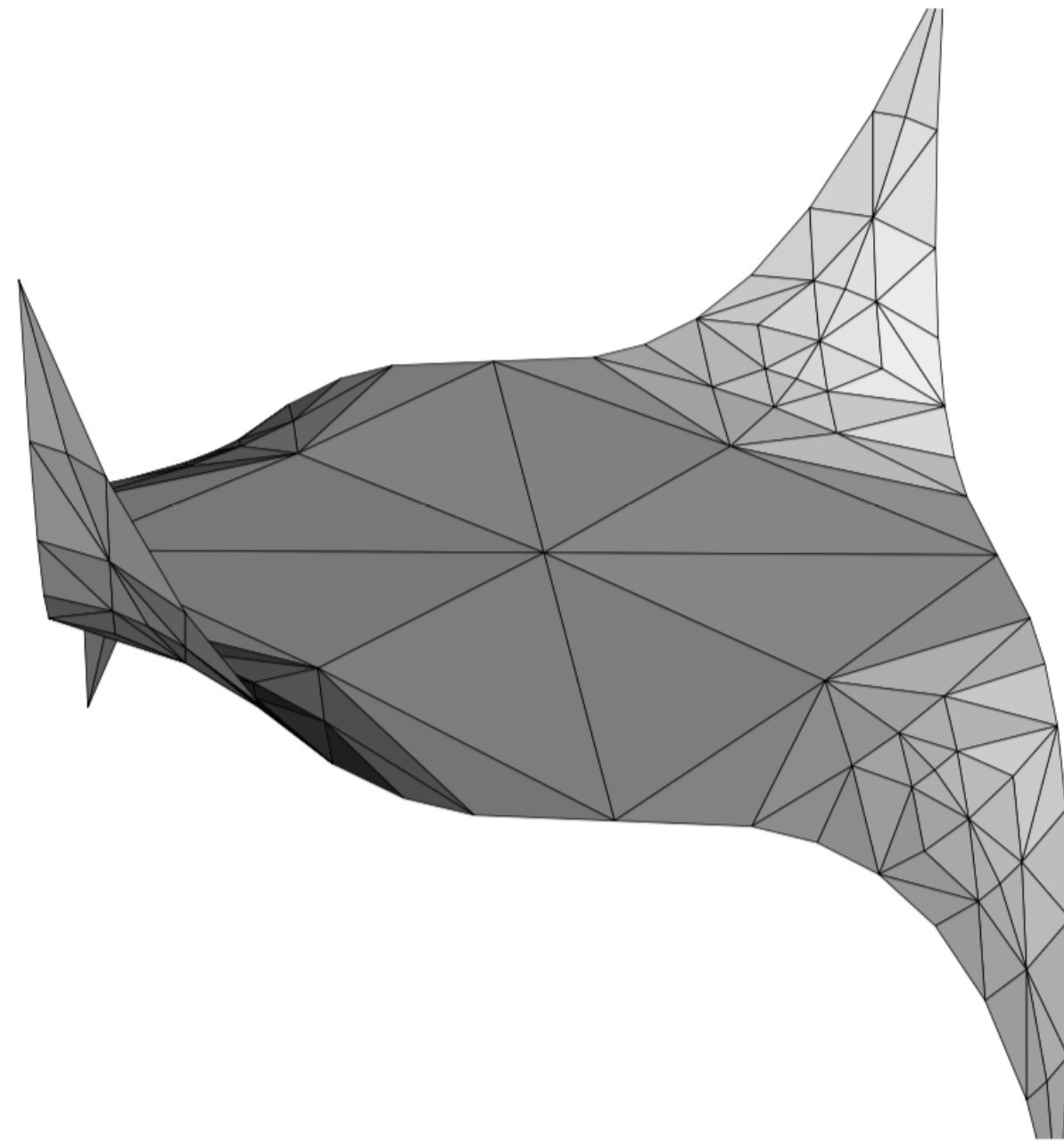
- 2.1 Structure new cells by constructing internal edges;
- 2.2 Sample all internal edges.



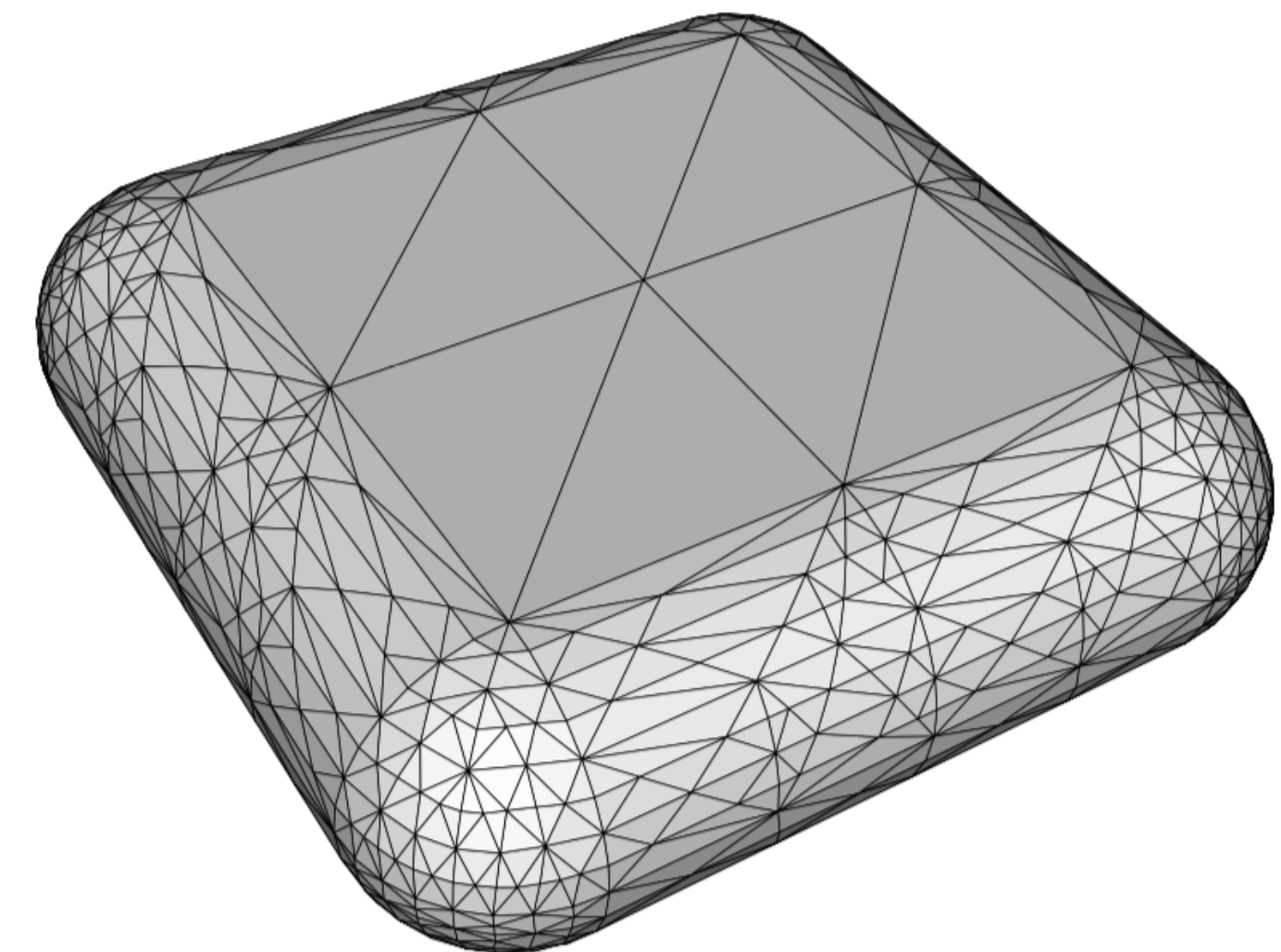
flatness test

Agnostic to Representation

- Parametric and Implicit Surfaces



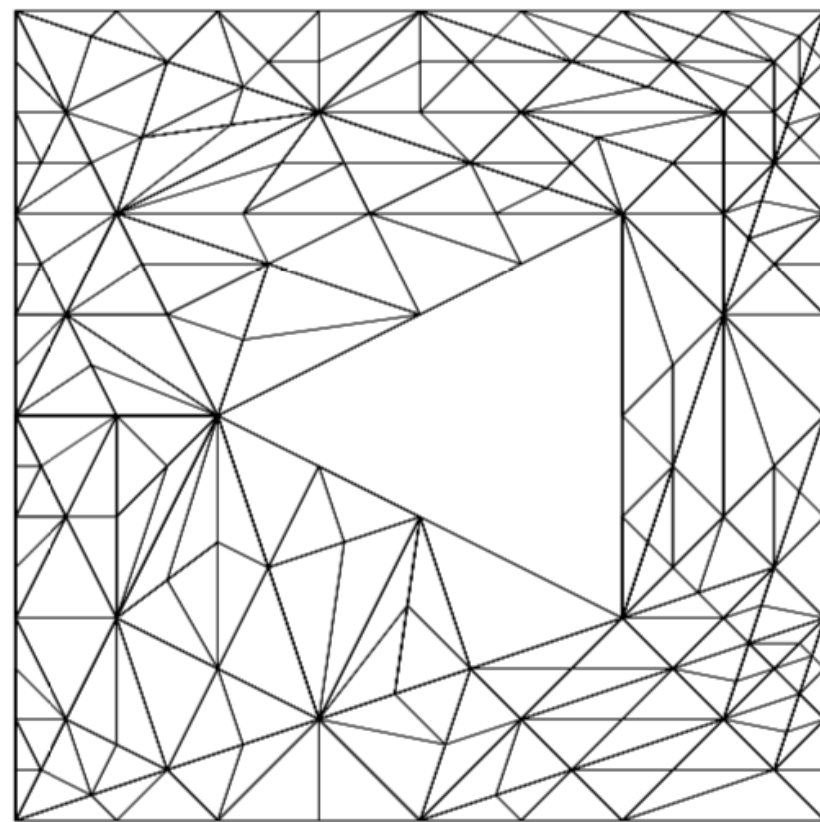
saddle patch



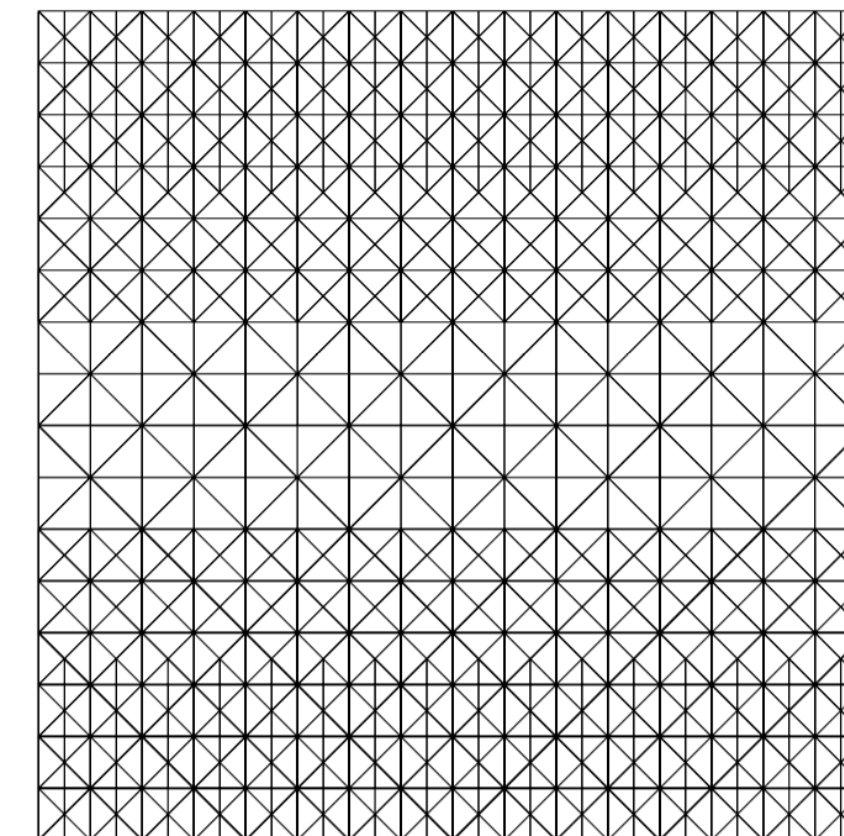
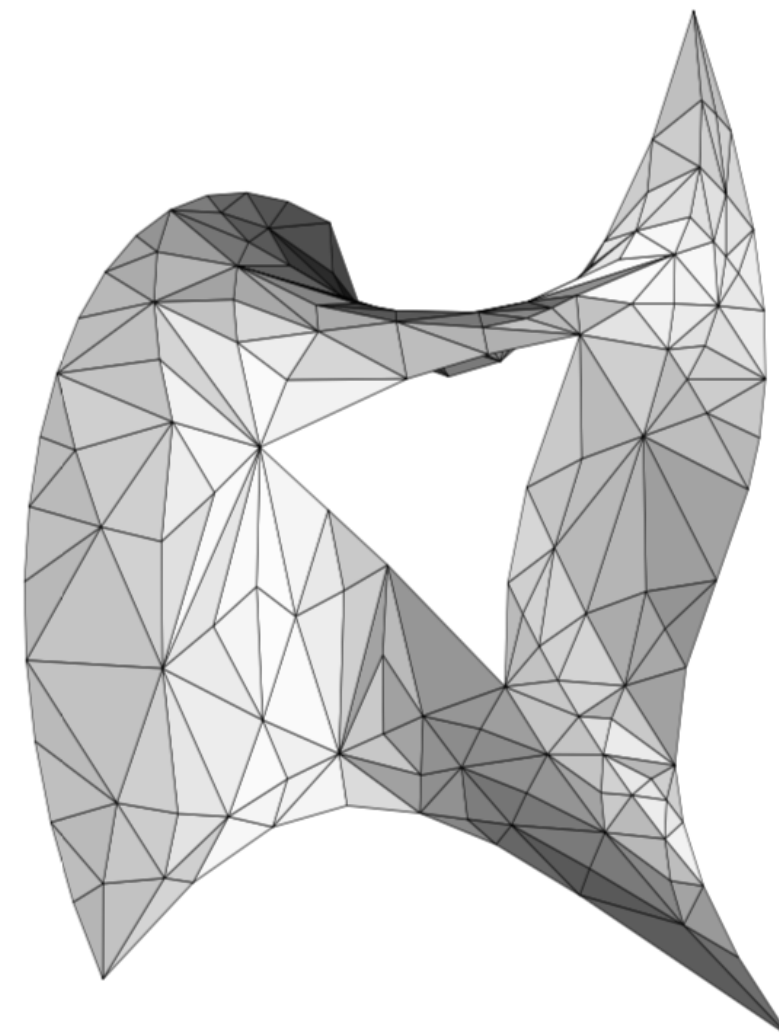
offset surface

Adaptation

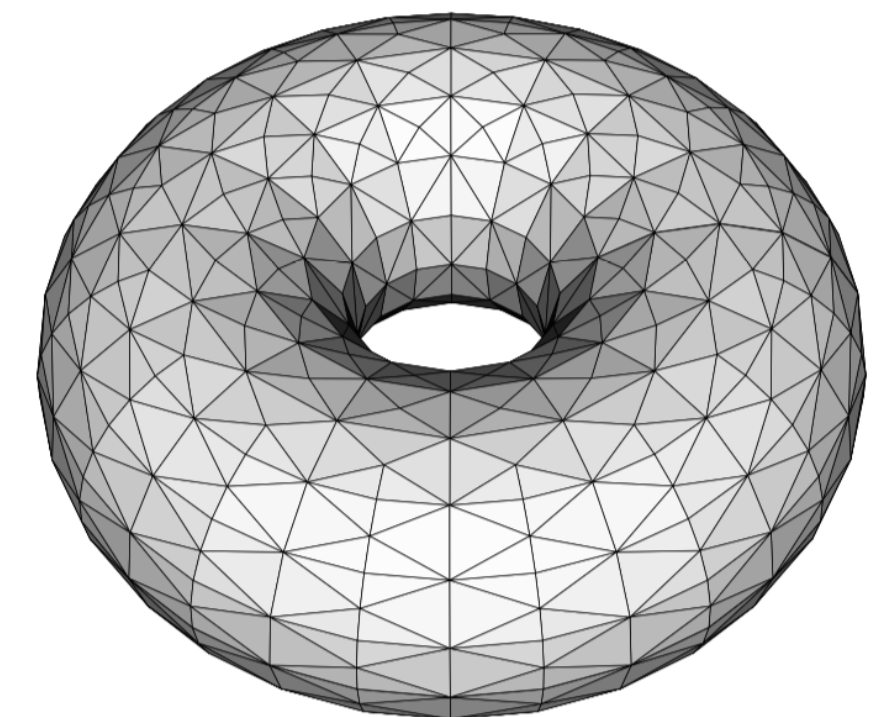
- Boundary, Curvature, etc...



trimmed Bezier patch

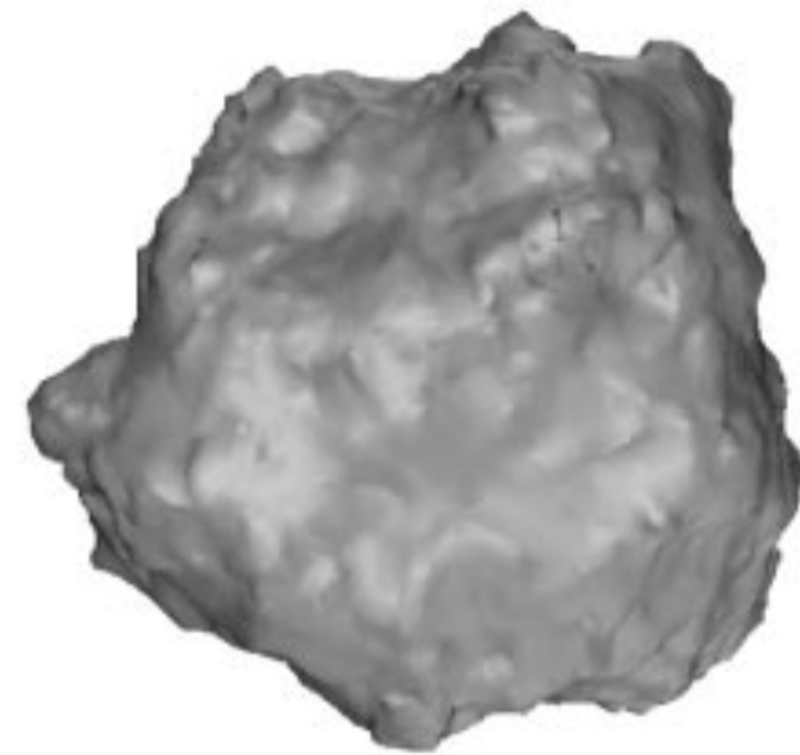
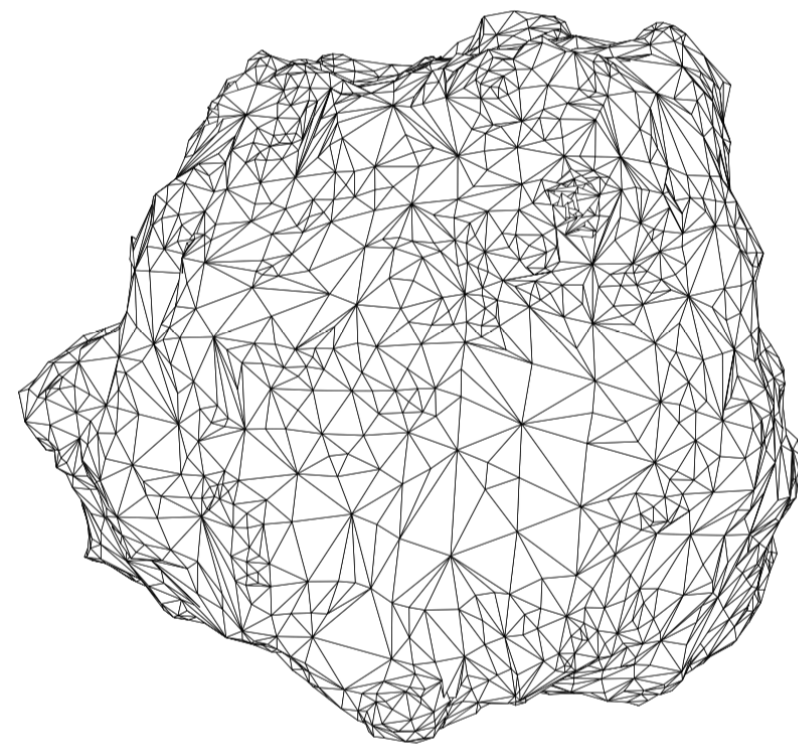


parametric torus

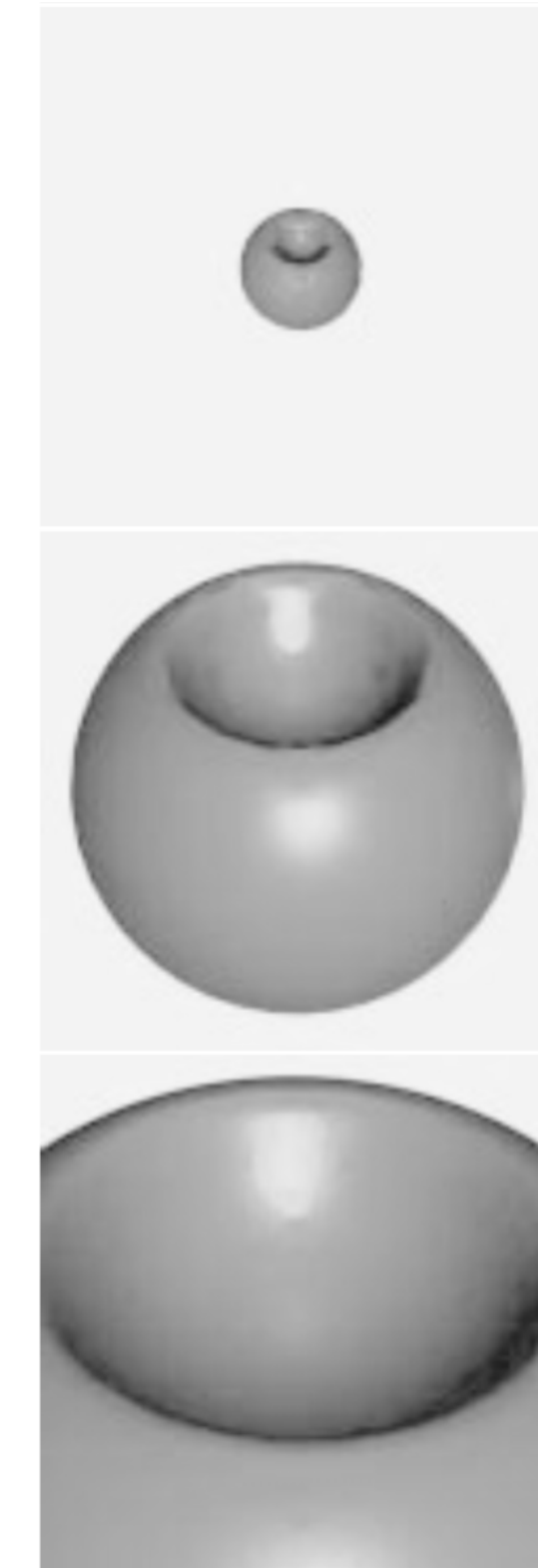
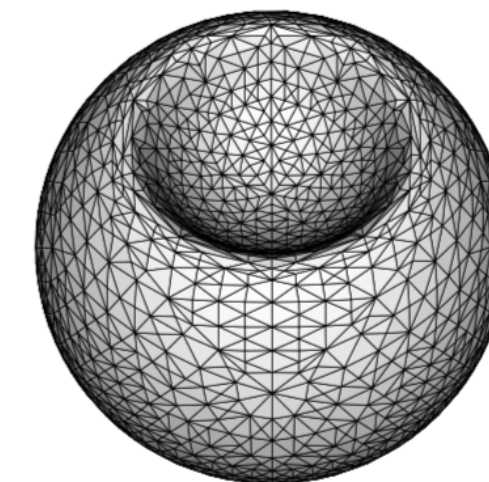
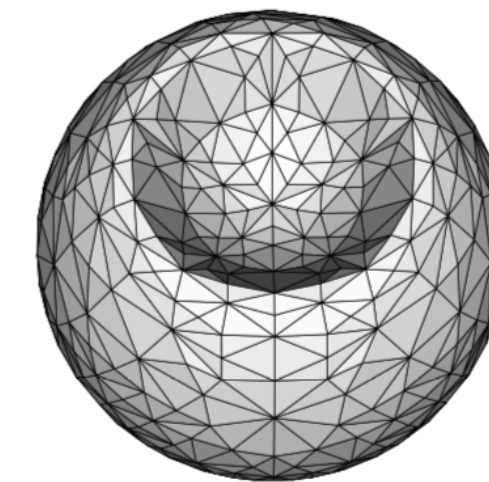
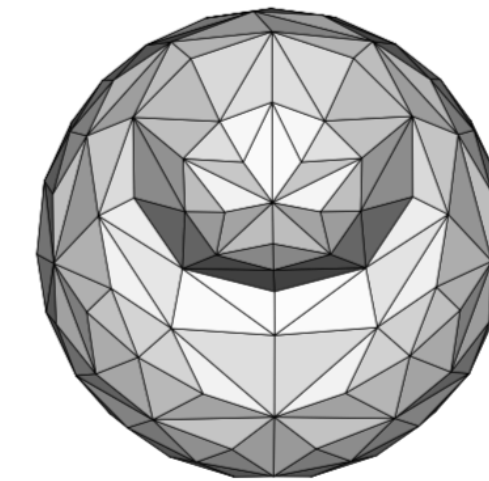


Multi-Resolution

- Level-of-Detail and Visualization



polygonal approximation of fractal rock



multi-resolution sequence / camera zoom

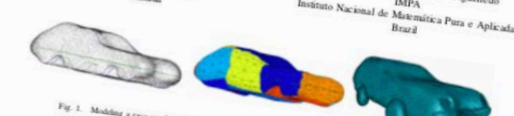
Other Works

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A Sketch-Based Modeling Framework Based on Adaptive Meshes

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Keywords: Sketch-based modeling, Adaptive Meshes, Modeling

1. Introduction

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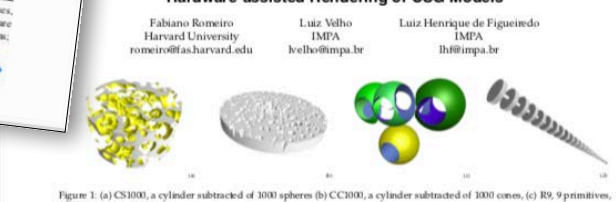


Figure 1: (a) 8000 faces, (b) 1000 faces, (c) 100 faces.

Hardware-assisted Rendering of CSG Models

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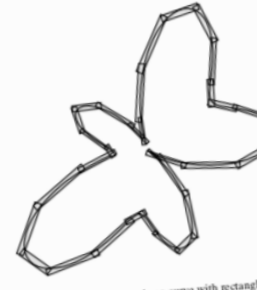
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Hierarchical Generalized Triangle Strips

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Abstract: This paper introduces a new refinement method for computing triangle strips of a mesh. We apply the method to construct a single generalized triangle strip that completely covers a parametric or implicit surface. A remarkable feature of this approach is that, our method generalizes the triangulation and the strip tree to multi-resolution, using a mesh refinement scheme. As a consequence, we are able to produce a hierarchy of triangle strips defined at each refinement level. This data structure has many applications in geometry processing and rendering.

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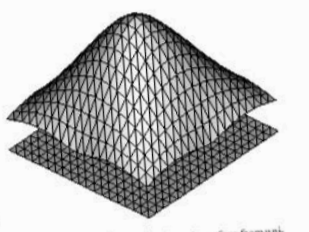
Optimal adaptive polygonal approximation of parametric surfaces

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Sketch-based modeling and adaptive meshes

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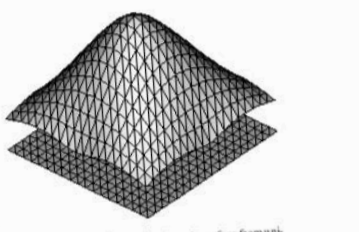


Figure 1: Polygonal approximation of a sphere's surface.

A better alternative to uniform decomposition is adaptive decomposition, in which the sampling rate varies across the parametric domain according to the complexity of the surface, as measured by the variation of the curvature. Adaptive decomposition methods ideally sample the domain finely in regions of high curvature and coarsely in regions of low curvature. Thus, producing only the minimum number of polygons required to approximate the surface within a prescribed accuracy. However, finding such a surface approximation with the least number of polygons is a very difficult problem (NP-hard), and it is probably a very difficult problem to solve in general. Adaptive methods must take two fundamental problems into account: how to perform optimal sampling, and how to sample the surface. Properly, however, the correct sampling rate is difficult to choose an adaptive mesh size. Since it is difficult to choose an adaptive mesh size, one can use a decomposition that is typically copy by that and error, and use a decomposition that is typically copy by that and error, and use a decomposition that is typically copy by that and error.

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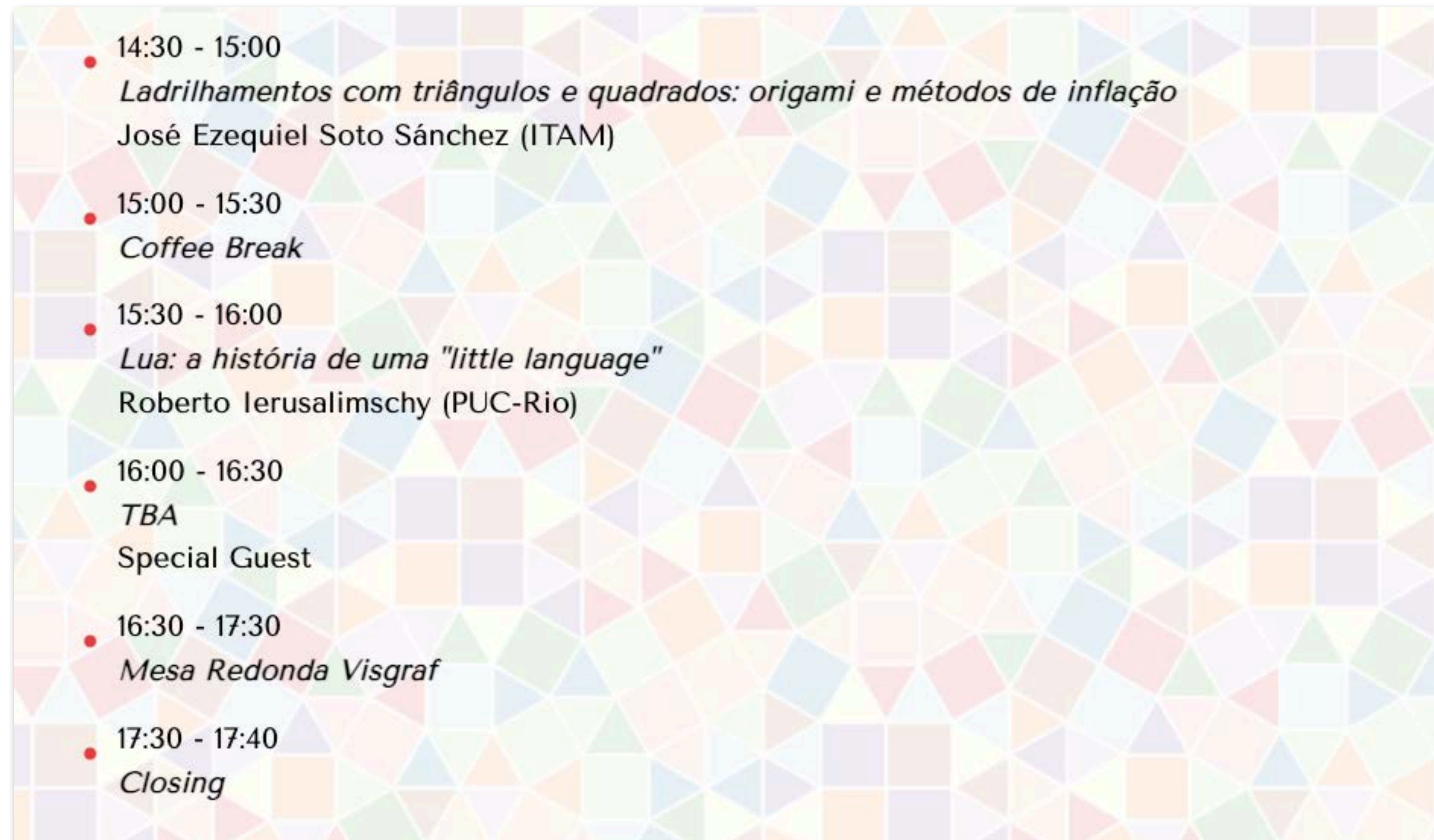
- With Students and Collaborators

The image displays a collection of research papers, likely from a conference or journal, arranged in a collage. The papers cover various topics in computer graphics, mathematics, and physics. Key titles include:

- INTERSECTING AND TRIMMING PARAMETRIC MESHES ON FINITE-ELEMENT SHELLS** by Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo, Marcelo Gattass, and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- A Hybrid Method for Computing Apparent Ridges** by Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- Fracture Patterns for Non-Photorealistic Image Rendering** by Ana Regina Corbi and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- Simple Adaptive Mosaic Effects** by Gelson Martins Pinheiro and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- Interval Methods for Ray Casting Implicit Surfaces with Affine Arithmetic** by Afonso de C. S. de Figueiredo, Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo, and Marcelo Gattass.
- Robust Adaptive Approximation of Implicit Curves** by Helio Lopes, João Batista de Oliveira, and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- Region reconstruction from noisy samples** by Emílio Adson Vaz de Brito and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- Beam casting implicit surfaces on the GPU with interval arithmetic** by Emílio Adson Vaz de Brito and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.
- An integer representation for periodic tilings of the plane by regular polygons** by Helio Lopes, João Batista de Oliveira, and Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo.

Each paper includes an abstract, an introduction, and some contain diagrams or images. The papers are arranged in a collage, with some overlapping others, and are set against a dark background.

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• 14:30 - 15:00	<i>Ladrilhamentos com triângulos e quadrados: origami e métodos de inflação</i> José Ezequiel Soto Sánchez (ITAM)
• 15:00 - 15:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
• 15:30 - 16:00	<i>Lua: a história de uma "little language"</i> Roberto Ierusalimschy (PUC-Rio)
• 16:00 - 16:30	<i>TBA</i> Special Guest
• 16:30 - 17:30	<i>Mesa Redonda Visgraf</i>
• 17:30 - 17:40	<i>Closing</i>

“There is one more thing.”

– Steve Jobs

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SIBGRAPI 2022, Natal, October 24th, 2022

This event commemorates the 60th anniversary of [Luiz Henrique de Figueiredo \(IMPA\)](#) and includes guest lectures according to the schedule below.



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