# IFT 6113 MESH PARAMETERIZATION tiny.cc/6113 



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## What is Parameterization?



## Problem Definition

Given: surface $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{2}$
domain $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{3}$
Find a bijective $f: S \rightarrow D$


Recall:

## Tangent Space



## Typical domains:



Sphere (no boundary)

## Typical domains:



## Why Do We Need It?



Texture Mapping


Morphing


Databases


Normal Mapping


Mesh Completion


Remeshing


Detail Transfer


Editing


Surface Fitting

## Why/ Do M/e Need It?

## AtlasNet: A Papier-Mâché Approach to Learning 3D Surface Generation

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(c) Output Atlas (optimized)

(d) Textured Output

(e) 3D Printed Output

Figure 1. Given input as either a 2D image or a 3D point cloud (a), we automatically generate a corresponding 3D mesh (b) and its atlas parameterization (c). We can use the recovered mesh and atlas to apply texture to the output shape (d) as well as 3D print the results (e).

## Databases

Remeshing

## Texture Mapping

- Define color for each point on object surface
- Map 2D texture to model surface:
- Texture pattern defined over 2D domain ( $u, v$ )
- Assign $(u, v)$ coordinates to each point on surface



## Normal/Bump mapping



## Morphing/Properties Transfer

Require cross-parameterization


Morphing


Deformation Transfer


## THEORY/BACKGROUND

## Mesh Parameterization



Surface $S \subset \mathbb{R}^{3}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& f: \Omega \rightarrow S, \text { s. t. } \\
& \quad-f \text { is piecewise linear } \\
& \left.\cdot f\right|_{t} \text { is linear } \\
& -f \text { is bijective } \\
& \cdot \text { at least locally }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Earth maps!

- Distortion is inevitable
- But we can preserve some properties exactly

orthographic
$\sim 500$ B.C.


Mercator 1569
conformal
(angle-preserving)


Lambert 1772

Recall:

## Intrinsic Descriptor



## Theorema Egregium ("Totally Awesome Theorem"): <br> Gaussian curvature is intrinsic.

## What is Distortion?



- Distortion (at $x$ ): How different is $f(D)$ from $D$
- How to measure?

How to quantify distortion?
Study differential/Jacobian.

$$
f(y)=\underbrace{f(x)+\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_{i}}\right)(y-x)}_{\text {linearization } \tilde{f}(y)}+O\left(\|y-x\|^{2}\right)
$$

Semiaxes: $r \sigma_{1}, r \sigma_{2}$


## Linear Map Surgery

- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of $J_{f}$

$$
J_{f}=U \Sigma V^{T}=U\left(\begin{array}{cc}
\sigma_{1} & 0 \\
0 & \sigma_{2} \\
0 & 0
\end{array}\right) V^{T}
$$

with rotations $U \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 3}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ and scale factors (singular values) $\sigma_{1}, \sigma_{2} \geq 0$


How to quantify distortion?
Study Metric Tensor $=1^{\text {st }}$ fundamental form.

$$
I=\left(\begin{array}{ll}
f_{u} \cdot f_{u} & f_{u} \cdot f_{v} \\
f_{u} \cdot f_{v} & f_{v} \cdot f_{v}
\end{array}\right)
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=\left(U \Sigma V^{T}\right)^{T}\left(U \Sigma V^{T}\right)=V\left(\begin{array}{cc}
\sigma_{1}^{2} & 0 \\
0 & \sigma_{2}^{2}
\end{array}\right) V^{T}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Pointwise distortion

## Isometric

$$
\sigma_{1}=\sigma_{2}=1
$$



Conformal or angle-preserving

$$
\sigma_{1}=\sigma_{2}
$$

Equiareal or area-preserving

$$
\sigma_{1} \cdot \sigma_{2}=1
$$



Defined pointwise on $\Omega$

## Measuring Distortion

- Local distortion measure function of $\sigma_{1}$ and $\sigma_{2}$

$$
E:\left(\mathbb{R}_{+} \times \mathbb{R}_{+}\right) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad\left(\sigma_{1}, \sigma_{2}\right) \mapsto E\left(\sigma_{1}, \sigma_{2}\right)
$$

- Overall distortion

$$
E(f)=\int_{\Omega} E\left(\sigma_{1}(u, v), \sigma_{2}(u, v)\right) d u d v / \operatorname{Area}(\Omega)
$$

- On mesh constant per triangle

$$
E(f)=\sum_{t \in \Omega} E(t) A(t) / \sum_{t \in \Omega} A(t)
$$

## CONFORMAL MAPS



## Stereographic Projection



Image from Wikipedia

## Stereographic Projection



parameterization: $\quad f(u, v)=\left(2 u d, 2 v d,\left(1-u^{2}-v^{2}\right) d\right) \quad$ with $\quad d=\frac{1}{1+u^{2}+v^{2}}$

$$
\text { Jacobian: } \quad J_{f}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
2 d-4 u^{2} d^{2} & -4 u v d^{2} \\
-4 u v d^{2} & 2 d-4 v^{2} d^{2} \\
-4 u d^{2} & -4 v d^{2}
\end{array}\right)
$$

first fundamental form: $\quad \mathbf{I}_{f}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}4 d^{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 4 d^{2}\end{array}\right)$

$$
\begin{array}{cc}
\text { eigenvalues: } \quad \lambda_{1}=4 d^{2}, \quad \lambda_{2}=4 d^{2} \\
& \sigma_{1}=\sigma_{2}=2 d \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text { conformal }
\end{array}
$$

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## Does conformal map exist?

## Uniformization theorem

"Every simply connected Riemann surface is conformally equivalent to one of three Riemann surfaces:

1. open unit disk
2. complex plane
3. Riemann sphere"

## Parameterization: Practice



## Mesh Parameterization Methods

- Fixed Boundary
- 2D "convex" embeddings
- Variety of weights
- Free boundary -
- Direct energy minimization
- Example: Least Squares Conformal Map (LSCM)....
- Indirect
- Example: Angle Based Flattening (ABF)....


## Spring Model

- Edges $\rightarrow$ springs

- Fix boundary vertices on a convex polygon
- Let go of the springs
- "Relaxation"


## Spring Model

Hooke's Law: Energy of spring between $p_{i}$ and $p_{j}: 0.5 D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|_{2}^{2}$

$$
E=\sum_{(i, j) \in E}^{\text {Total energy }} \frac{1}{2} D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|^{2}
$$

## Spring Model

## Hooke's Law: Energy of spring between $p_{i}$

and $p_{j}: 0.5 D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|_{2}^{2}$
Will this provide a bijective
parameterization?


- Rewrite

$$
E=\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{i \in N_{i}} \frac{1}{2} D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|^{2}
$$

- Gradient

$$
\frac{\partial E}{\partial u_{i}}=\sum_{j \in N_{i}} D_{i j}\left(u_{i}-u_{j}\right)
$$



- Gradient $=0$, when
$\underset{\text { with weights }}{\text { Convex Combination }} u_{i}=\sum_{j \in N_{i}} \lambda_{i j} u_{j}$

$$
\lambda_{i j}=D_{i j} / \sum_{k \in N_{i}} D_{i k}
$$



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A generalization of barycentric coordinates


## Linear System

- Separation of variables

$$
\underbrace{u_{i}-\sum_{j \in N_{i}, j \leq n} \lambda_{i j} u_{j}=\sum_{j \in N_{i}, j>n} \lambda_{i j} u_{j}=\bar{u}_{i}}_{\text {unknown parameter points }}
$$

- Linear system

$$
\begin{gathered}
A U=\bar{U} \\
A=\left\{\begin{array}{c}
1, i=j \\
-\lambda_{i j}, j \in N_{i} \\
0, \text { else }
\end{array}\right.
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\lambda_{i j}=D_{i j} / \sum_{k \in N_{i}} D_{i k}
$$

- Solve separately for $u$ and $v$

Theorem [Tutte'63,Floater'01,Maxwel'1864]:
If $G$ is a 3-connected planar graph
(triangular mesh) then any convex combination embedding $\left(\lambda_{i j}>0\right)$ provides bijective parameterization

# Choice of Weights: Uniform (Tutte) $\lambda_{i j}=\frac{1}{\# N_{i}}$ 

No shape preservation -equilateral triangles


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$$
D_{i j}=1 \quad \lambda_{i j}=\frac{1}{\# N_{i}}
$$

No shape preservation -equilateral triangles

## Graph Laplacian!

$$
E=\sum_{(i, j) \in E} \frac{1}{2} D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|^{2} \text { is }
$$

Dirichlet energy discretized on a graph!

Choice of Weights: Barycentric
Harmonic/Conformal/FEM Laplacian

$$
\begin{gathered}
\omega_{i j}=\cot \gamma_{i j}+\cot \gamma_{j i} \\
\lambda_{i j}=\omega_{i j} / \sum_{k} \omega_{i k}
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
E=\sum_{(i, j) \in E} \frac{1}{2} D_{i j}\left\|u_{i}-u_{j}\right\|^{2} \text { is }
$$

Dirichlet energy discretized on a mesh!

## Issue

## Point is inside, but the coordinate can be $<0$



Figure 1. Star-shaped polygon.

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## Local non-bijectivity



Figure 1. Star-shaped polygon.

## Harmonic Functions

## $\Delta f \equiv 0$



Mean value property:


## Choice of Weights: Mean Value

$$
\begin{aligned}
\omega_{i j} & =\frac{\tan \frac{\alpha_{i j}}{2}+\tan \frac{\beta_{j i}}{2}}{r_{i j}} \\
\lambda_{i j} & =\frac{\omega_{i j}}{\sum_{k \in N_{i}} \omega_{i k}}
\end{aligned}
$$



## Choice of Weights: Mean Value

$$
\omega_{i j}=\frac{\tan \frac{\alpha_{i j}}{2}+\tan \frac{\beta_{j i}}{2}}{r_{i j}}
$$

## Always nonnegative



## Harmonic/Mean-Value Mappings

- Quasi-Conformal

- Linear precision
- Reproduce planar inputs (same boundary)


## Bijectivity (fold-overs)



harmonic

mean value

- Can have fold-overs for negative coordinates
- Mean-value coordinates guaranteed to be positive


## Boundary Mapping



Chordal parameterization around convex shape

- circle
- rectangle
- triangle
- Choice often application specific
- Reconstruction - rectangle
- Mapping to base mesh- triangle


## Examples



Parameterization with uniform weights [Tutte 1963] on a circular domain.


Parameterization with harmonic weights [Eck et al. 1995] on a circular domain.


Parameterization with mean value weights [Floater 2003] on a circular domain.

## Parameterization: Free Boundary



## Free Boundary Methods

- Direct energy minimization
- Example: Least Squares Conformal Map (LSCM)....
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- Example: Angle Based Flattening (ABF)....

ights [Floater 2003] on a circular domain.


LSCM [Lévy et al. 2002].
Free vs Fixed

## LSCM - Geometric Interpretation

 We're minimizing conformal energy$$
E_{C}=\left(\sigma_{1}-\sigma_{2}\right)^{2} / 2
$$

Geometric Interpretation:

- Use triangle similarity

- Given angles $\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}$ of a triangle $P_{1} P_{2} P_{3}$ in 2D we have

$$
\begin{gathered}
P_{3}-P_{1}=\frac{\sin \alpha_{2}}{\sin \alpha_{3}} R_{\alpha_{1}}\left(P_{2}-P_{1}\right) \\
R_{\alpha}=\left(\begin{array}{cc}
\cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\
-\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha
\end{array}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

## LSCM

- In map from 3D to 2D might be impossible to keep angles exactly
- Use least-squares

$$
\min \sum_{i}\left(P_{3}{ }^{i}-P_{1}^{i}-\frac{\sin \alpha^{i}}{\sin \alpha_{3}^{i}} R_{\alpha^{i}}{ }_{1}\left(P_{2}^{i}-P_{1}{ }^{i}\right)\right)^{2}
$$

- To solve need to fix two vertices
- Obtain linear system
- Choice of vertices affects solution
- Can have flips


## Examples



Parameterization with mean value weights [Floater 2003] on a circular domain.


Parameterization with LSCM [Lévy et al. 2002].

## ABF: Angle Based Flattening

- Triangular 2D mesh is defined by its angles
- Formulate parameterization as problem in angle space
- Angle based formulation:
- Distortion as function of angles (conformality)
- Validity: set of angle constraints
- Convert solution to UV



## ABF Formulation



Tetrahedron (3D)


- Distortion:
-2D/3D angle difference

$$
\sum_{t \in T, j=1 \ldots 3} w_{j}^{t}\left(\alpha_{j}^{t}-\beta_{j}^{t}\right)^{2}, w_{j}^{t}=1 / \beta_{j}^{t^{2}}
$$

## ABF Formulation

- Constraints:
- Triangle validity:
$\forall t \in T, \quad \alpha_{1}^{t}+\alpha_{2}^{t}+\alpha_{3}^{t}-\pi=0 ;$
- Planarity:
$\forall v \in V_{i n t}, \quad \sum_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \alpha_{k}^{t}-2 \pi=0$
- Reconstruction
$\forall v \in V_{\text {int }}, \quad \prod_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \sin \alpha_{k \oplus 1}^{t}-\prod_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \sin \alpha_{k \ominus 1}^{t}=0$
- Positivity

$$
\alpha_{j}^{t}>0
$$

## Angle to UV Conversion

- Use computed angles as input to LSCM (it is a reproducing method..)


## Examples



Parameterization with LSCM [Lévy et al. 2002].


Parameterization with ABF ++ [Sheffer et al. 2005].

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## Cone Singularities [Kharevych:06]

- What separates boundary from interior in angle space?
- Answer: Sum of angles at vertex
- Formulation specific
- ABF/ABF++
- Planarity \& Reconstruction

$$
\forall v \in V_{i n t}, \quad \sum_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \alpha_{k}^{t}-2 \pi=0
$$

- But... reconstruction can be enforced on boundaries

$$
\forall v \in V_{i n t}, \quad \prod_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \sin \alpha_{k \oplus 1}^{t}-\prod_{(t, k) \in v^{*}} \sin \alpha_{k \ominus 1}^{t}=0
$$

## Cone Singularities

- Idea: Reduce boundary to small set of vertices
- Implementation:
- Enforce "interior" constraints at all other vertices
- To unfold choose any sequence of edges connecting "boundary" vertices


# Circle Patterns + Cone Singularities 



## ABF + Cone Singularities



## General Framework

## - Choose an energy

| Name | $\mathcal{D}(\mathbf{J})$ | $\mathcal{D}(\sigma)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Symmetric Dirichlet | $\\|\mathbf{J}\\|_{F}^{2}+\left\\|\mathbf{J}^{-1}\right\\|_{F}^{2}$ | $\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\sigma_{i}^{2}+\sigma_{i}^{-2}\right)$ |
| Exponential <br> Symmetric <br> Dirichlet | $\exp \left(s\left(\\|\mathbf{J}\\|_{F}^{2}+\left\\|\mathbf{J}^{-1}\right\\|_{F}^{2}\right)\right)$ | $\exp \left(s \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\sigma_{i}^{2}+\sigma_{i}^{-2}\right)\right)$ |
| Hencky strain | $\left\\|\log \mathbf{J}^{\top} \mathbf{J}\right\\|_{F}^{2}$ | $\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(l o g^{2} \sigma_{i}\right)$ |
| AMIPS | $\begin{aligned} & \exp \left(s \cdot \frac { 1 } { 2 } \left(\frac{\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{J}^{\top} \mathbf{J}\right)}{\operatorname{det}(\mathbf{J})}\right.\right. \\ & \left.+\frac{1}{2}\left(\operatorname{det}(\mathbf{J})+\operatorname{det}\left(\mathbf{J}^{-1}\right)\right)\right) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \exp \left(s \left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\sigma_{1}}{\sigma_{2}}+\frac{\sigma_{2}}{\sigma_{1}}\right)\right.\right. \\ & \left.+\frac{1}{4}\left(\sigma_{1} \sigma_{2}+\frac{1}{\sigma_{1} \sigma_{2}}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$ |
| Conformal AMIPS 2D $\frac{\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{J}^{\top} \mathbf{J}\right)}{\operatorname{det}(\mathbf{J})}$ |  | $\frac{\sigma_{1}^{2}+\sigma_{2}^{2}}{\sigma_{1} \sigma_{2}}$ |
| Conformal AMIPS 3D $\frac{\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{J}^{\top} \mathbf{J}\right)}{\operatorname{det}(\mathbf{J})^{\frac{2}{3}}}$ |  | $\frac{\sigma_{1}^{2}+\sigma_{2}^{2}+\sigma_{3}^{2}}{\left(\sigma_{1} \sigma_{2} \sigma_{3}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}}$ |

## Conformal Energies

- Conformal energy

$$
E_{C}=\left(\sigma_{1}-\sigma_{2}\right)^{2} / 2
$$

- MIPS energy

$$
E_{M}=\kappa_{F}\left(J_{f}\right)=\left\|J_{f}\right\|_{F}\left\|J_{f}^{-1}\right\|_{F}=\frac{\sigma_{1}}{\sigma_{2}}+\frac{\sigma_{2}}{\sigma_{1}}
$$

[Hormann \& Greiner 2000]

- Riemann theorem: any $\mathrm{C}^{1}$ continuous surface in $\mathrm{R}^{3}$ can be mapped conformally to fixed domain in $\mathrm{R}^{2}$
- Nearly true for meshes


## Detailed Example

Given a triangle $T$ with 2D texture coordinates $p_{1}, p_{2}, p_{3}$, $p_{i}=\left(s_{i}, t_{i}\right)$, and corresponding 3D coordinates $q_{1}, q_{2}, q_{3}$, the unique affine mapping $S(p)=S(s, t)=q$ is

$$
S(p)=\left(\left\langle p, p_{2}, p_{3}\right\rangle q_{1}+\left\langle p, p_{3}, p_{1}\right\rangle q_{2}+\left\langle p, p_{1}, p_{2}\right\rangle q_{3}\right) /\left\langle p_{1}, p_{2}, p_{3}\right\rangle
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
S_{s}= & \partial S / \partial s=\left(q_{1}\left(t_{2}-t_{3}\right)+q_{2}\left(t_{3}-t_{1}\right)+q_{3}\left(t_{1}-t_{2}\right)\right) /(2 A) \\
S_{t}= & \partial S / \partial t=\left(q_{1}\left(s_{3}-s_{2}\right)+q_{2}\left(s_{1}-s_{3}\right)+q_{3}\left(s_{2}-s_{1}\right)\right) /(2 A) \\
& A=\left\langle p_{1}, p_{2}, p_{3}\right\rangle=\left(\left(s_{2}-s_{1}\right)\left(t_{3}-t_{1}\right)-\left(s_{3}-s_{1}\right)\left(t_{2}-t_{1}\right)\right) / 2
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { Singular values: } \sqrt{0.5\left((a+c) \pm \sqrt{(a-c)^{2}+4 b^{2}}\right.} \\
& a=S_{s} \cdot S_{s}, \quad b=S_{S} \cdot S_{t}, \text { and } c=S_{t} \cdot S_{t}
\end{aligned}
$$

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- How to preserve bijectivity?


# What is gradient of $\mathrm{E} \mathrm{w} / \mathrm{r}$ to positions? 

## A vector field!



## Scaling vector field

- Find a scale parameter, s.t. nothing flips if we add the vector field
- Limit line search step to this value

Bijective Parameterization with Free Boundaries

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## Issues

- Only local injectivity



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- Only local injectivity
- Sometimes the step size is too small
- One almost inverted triangle is enough

