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Gauss Stylization: Interactive Artistic Mesh Modeling based on Preferred Surface Normals



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Artistic Stylization

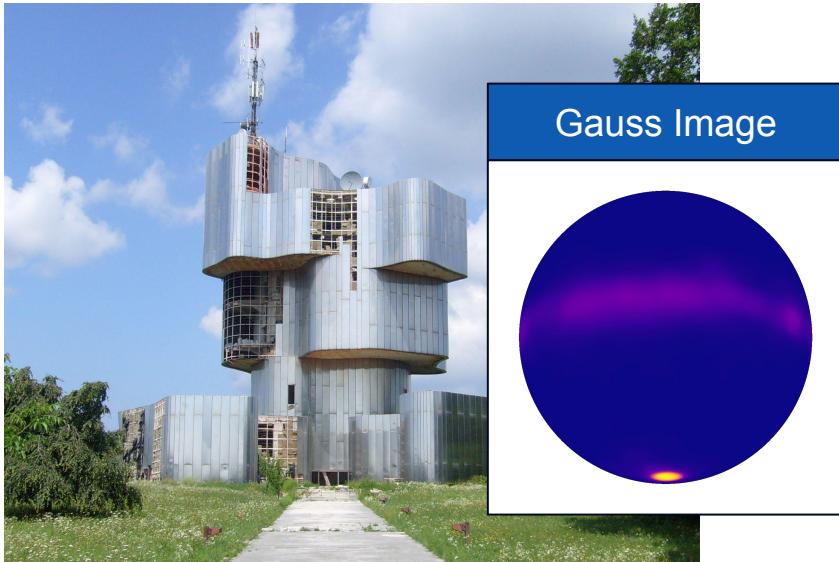


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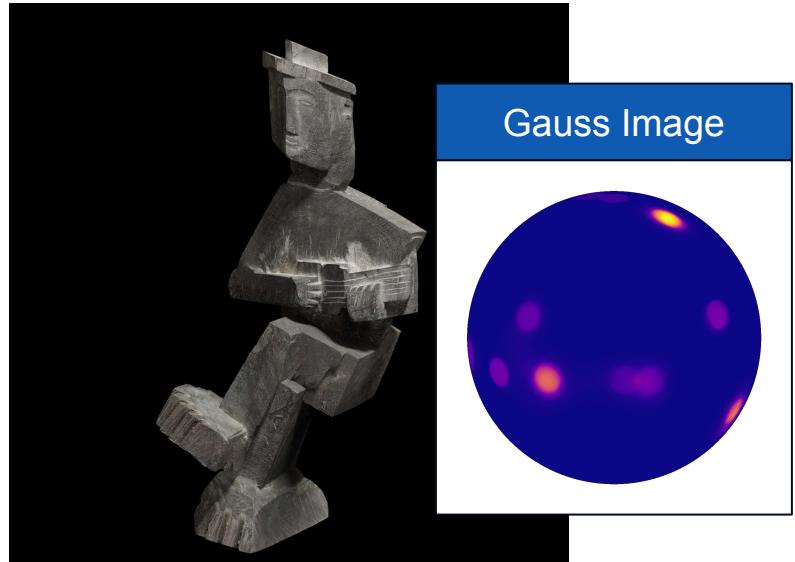


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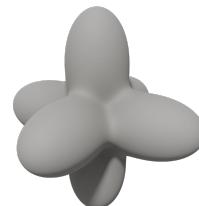


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Artistic Style and the Gauss Image



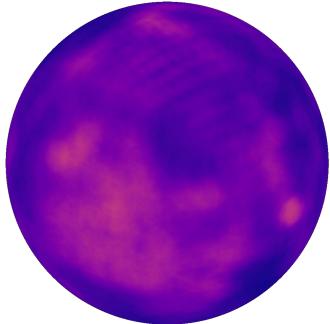
Input Mesh



Preference Function



Output Mesh



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Placeholder: Interactive Modelling Session and Rotating Dinosaur

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Cubic Stylization



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Cubic Stylization



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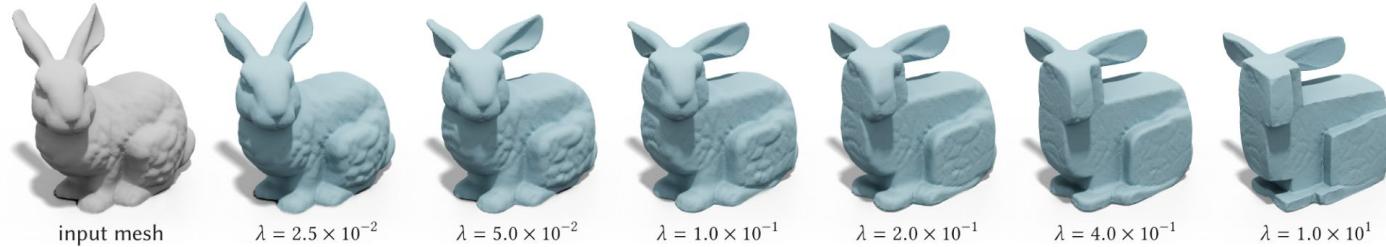


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The diagram illustrates the Gauss Stylization energy function. A red box encloses the term $E_{\text{ARAP}}(\mathbf{V}, \{\mathbf{R}_i\})$, which is labeled "As-Rigid-As-Possible (ARAP) energy: Preserve local neighborhoods". A blue box encloses the term $\mu \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} g(\mathbf{n}_f)$, which is labeled "Stylization term". A blue arrow labeled "Mu parameter: weighting" points from the Mu symbol in the blue box to the red box. A red arrow points from the red box to the blue box.

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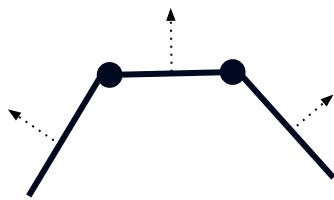
- Face normals
- g function



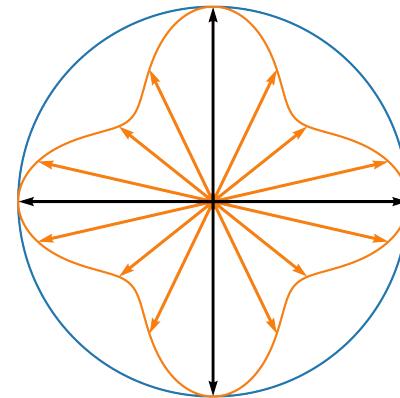
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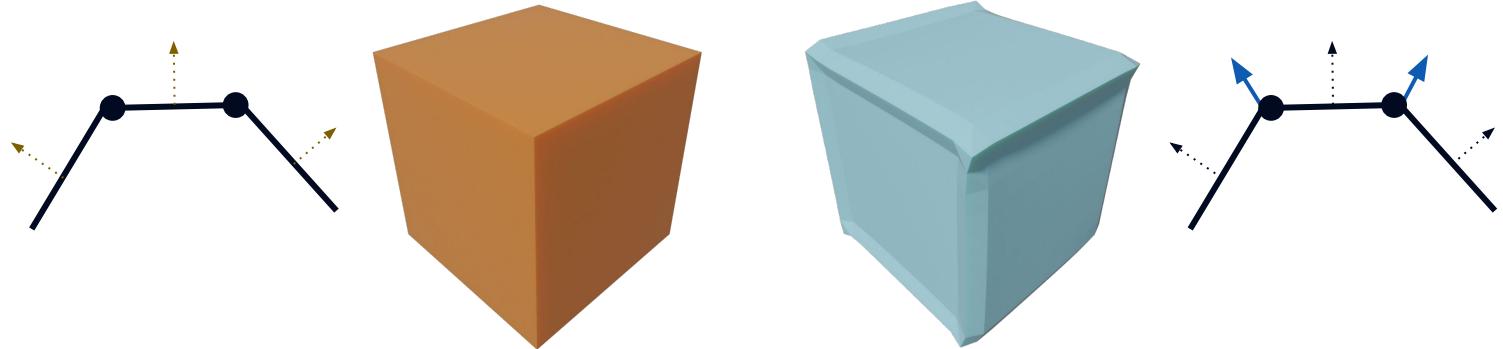
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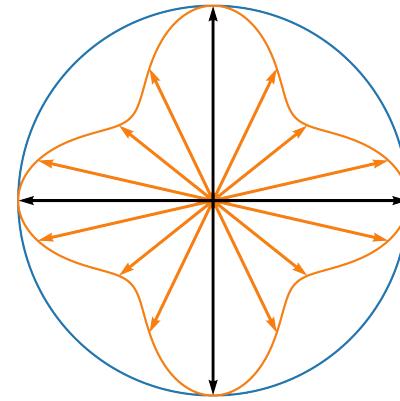
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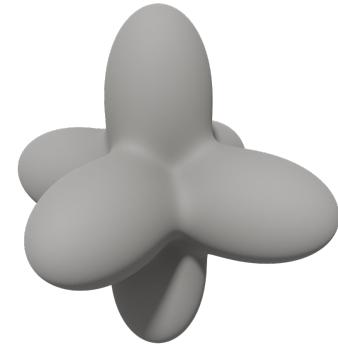
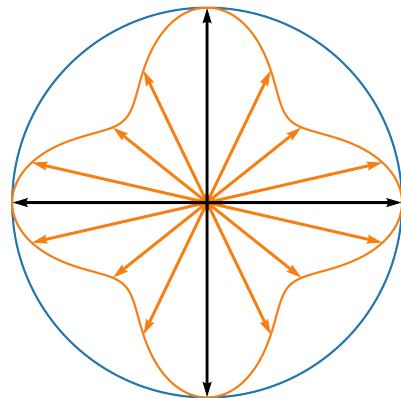


Gauss Stylization: g Function

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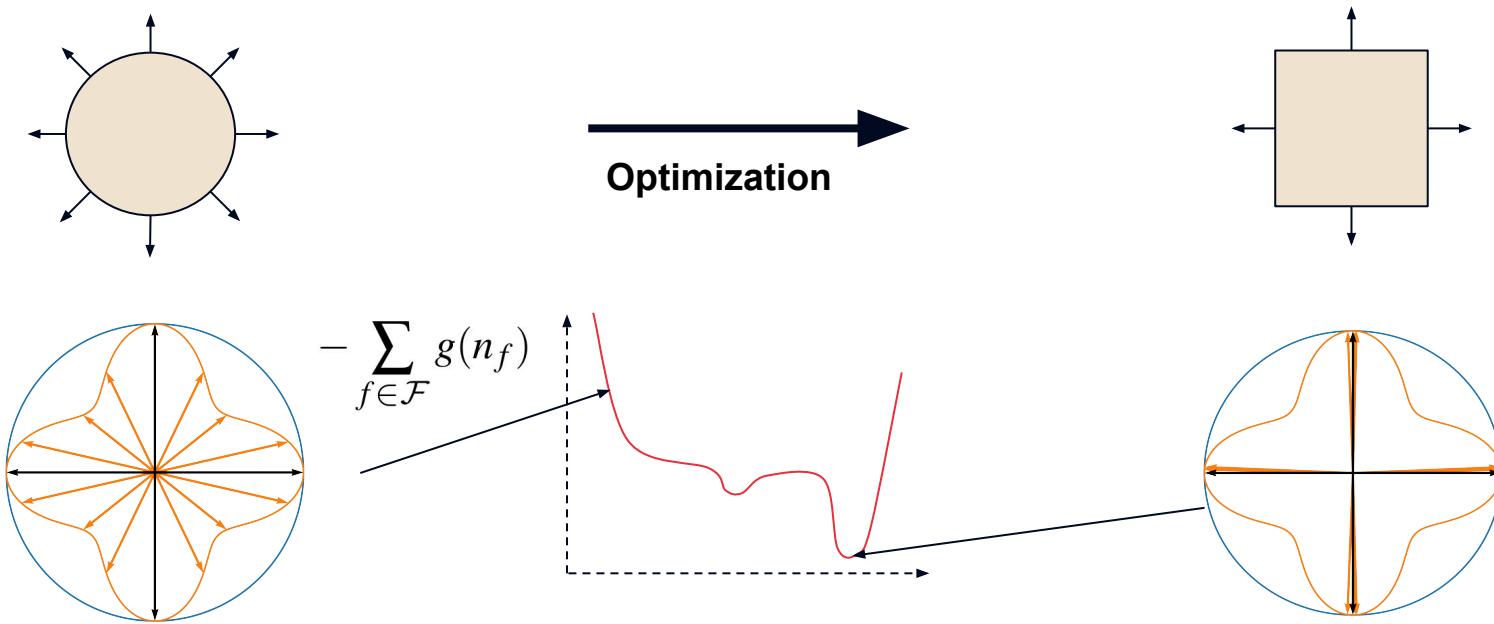
g function

- Function defined on surface normals (unit length)
- No fixed general form

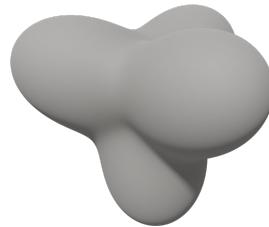
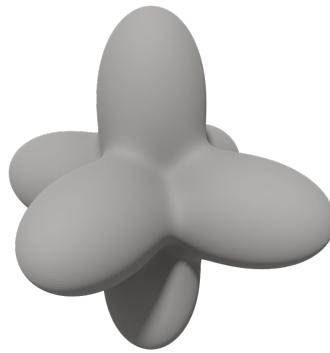


Cube g function

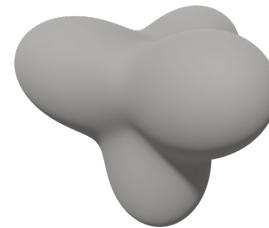
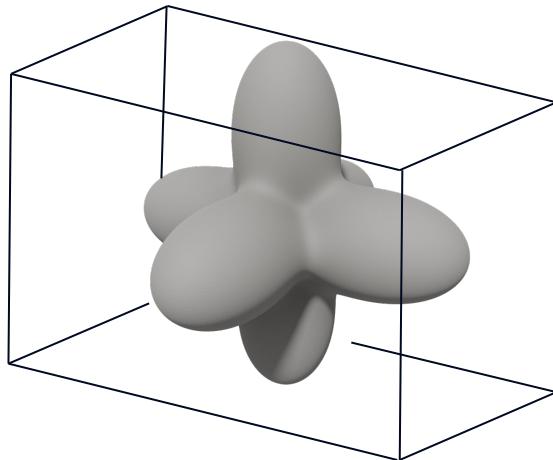
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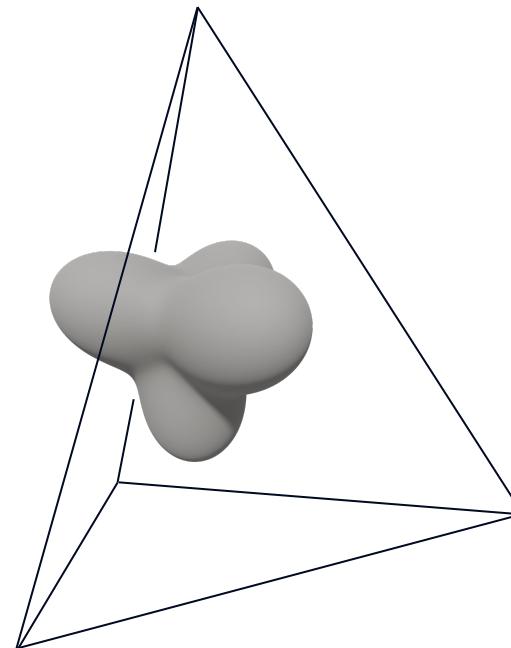
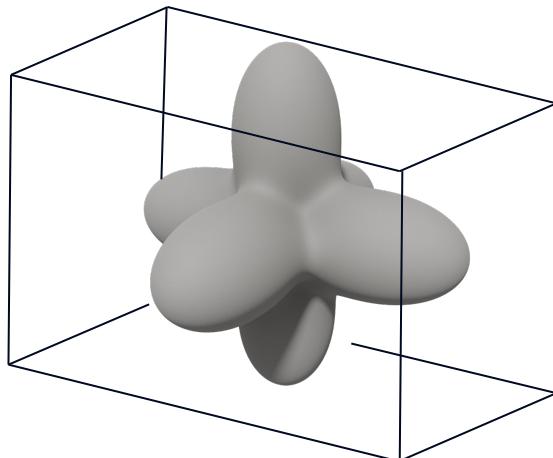
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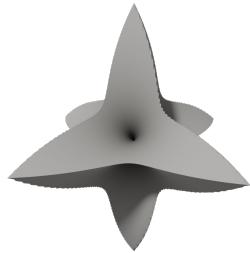


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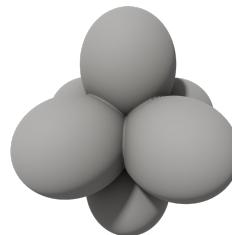
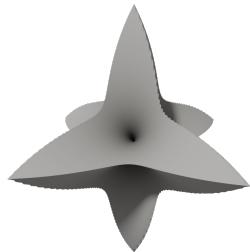
L1 Based Cubification

Cubic Stylization



L2 Based Cubification

Cubic Stylization



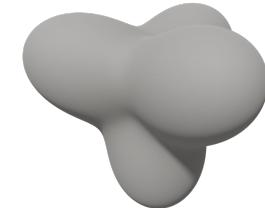
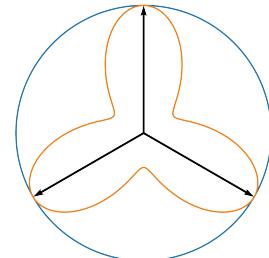
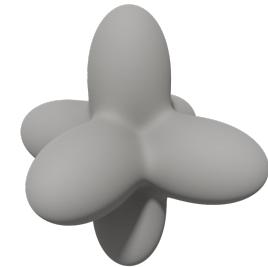
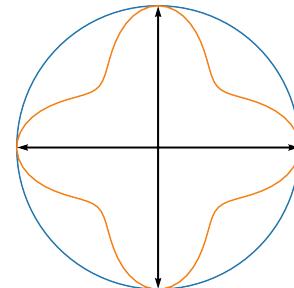
Gauss Stylization
(L2 preference function)



Modelling the g Function

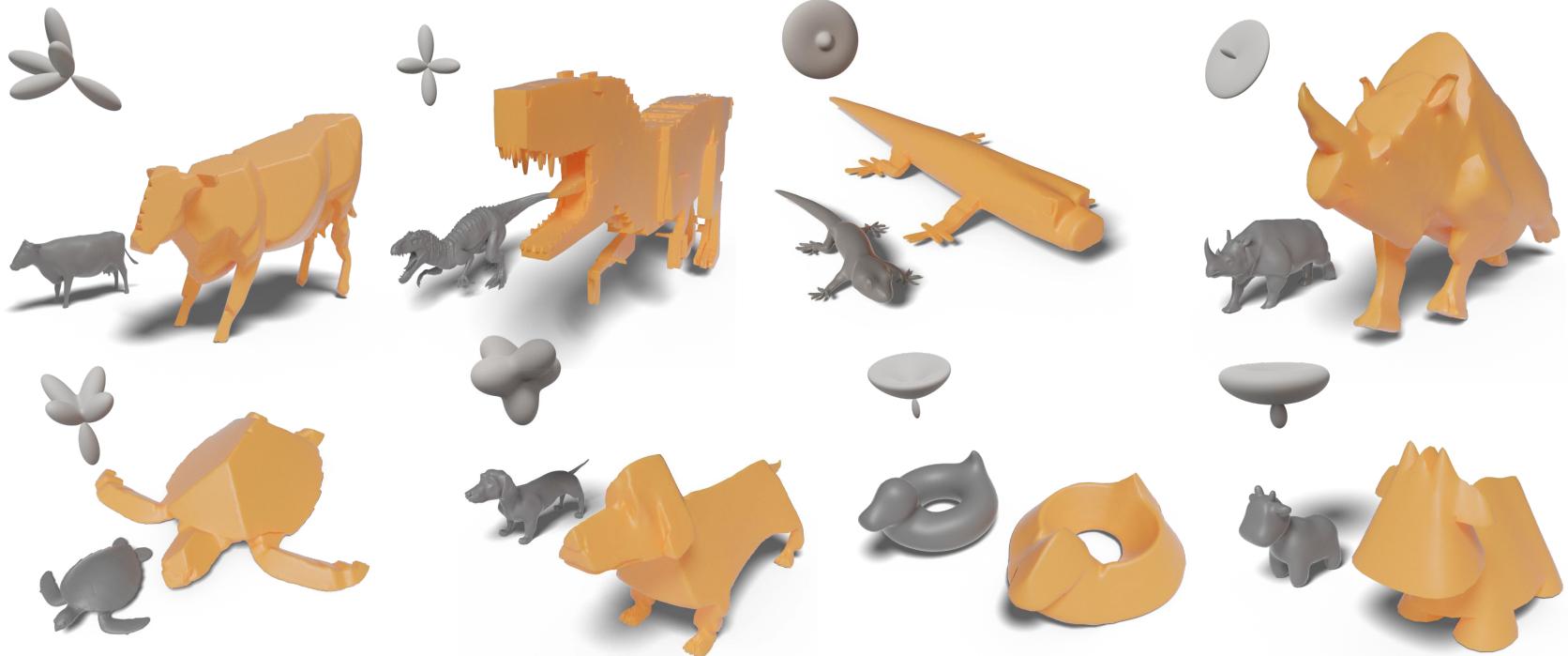
$$g(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_k w_k \exp(\sigma \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{n}_k)$$

- Intuitive modelling
- Fast calculation of function value, gradient and hessian (optimization)



Placeholder: modelling sessions





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Optimization

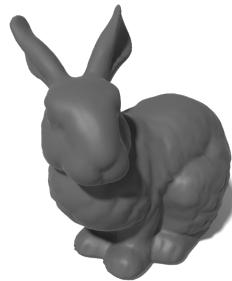


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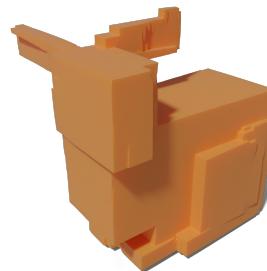
Stylize Surface Normals

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Preserve Local Geometry



μ



Note: ARAP Optimization

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ARAP Optimization

Alternating Block Descent:

- Local Step (R)
Polar Decomposition
- Global Step (V)
system of linear equations (SLE) with
constant system matrix

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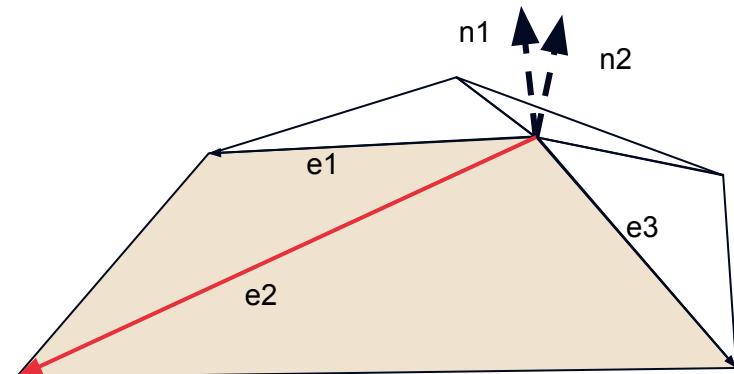
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Global Step:
 g term influences system matrix



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We propose: Approximation

- Allows for local/global block descent split
- Constant system matrix

Decoupling The Normals

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Block Descent

3 Sets of Variables

- V
- R
- $\mathbf{n}^*, \mathbf{e}^*$

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Local Rotations R

- Same as in ARAP
- Polar Decomposition
- Local

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 ADMM iterations N

Output: updated vertex positions V_{n+1}

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  for  $e_{ij} \in E_f$  do
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for  $i \in 1..N$  do                      // ADMM optimization
  for  $f \in F$  do
     $\Delta\mathbf{n}_f^* \leftarrow \text{newton}(g, \mathbf{n}_f^*, u_{fij})$  (Eq. 21)
     $\mathbf{n}_f^* \leftarrow \text{normalize}(\mathbf{n}_f^* + (\Delta\mathbf{n}_f^* - \Delta\mathbf{n}_f^{*\top} \mathbf{n}_f^* \cdot \mathbf{n}_f^*))$ 
  for  $e_{ij} \in E$  do
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Newton Step
Local LES

\mathbf{R}

Polar decomposition

\mathbf{V}

LSE, constant system matrix

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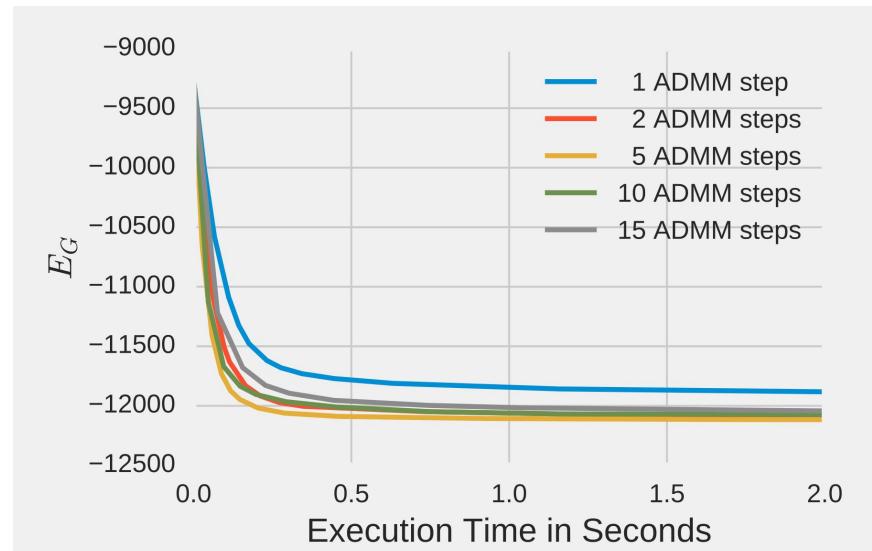
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$$\Delta\mathbf{n}_f^* \leftarrow \text{newton}(g, \mathbf{n}_f^*, u_{fij})$$
 (Eq. 21)
$$\mathbf{n}_f^* \leftarrow \text{normalize}(\mathbf{n}_f^* + (\Delta\mathbf{n}_f^* - \Delta\mathbf{n}_f^{*\top} \mathbf{n}_f^* \cdot \mathbf{n}_f^*))$$



Energy Optimization

- Original energy effectively decreases
- In practice: 1 ADMM step for increased visual feedback



Good moment to insert a nice animation





<http://cybertron.cg.tu-berlin.de/projects/gaussStylization/>



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