

# Spherical Parameterization and Remeshing

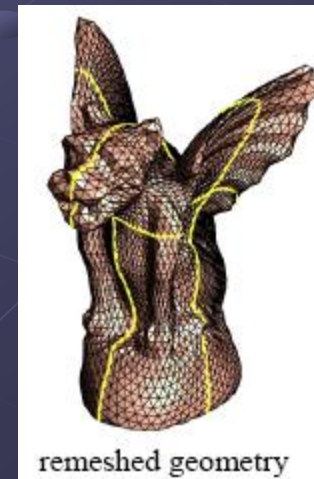
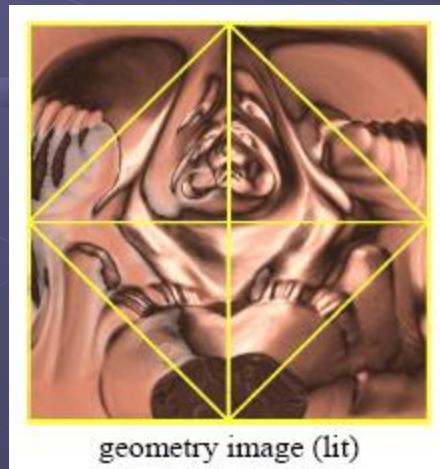
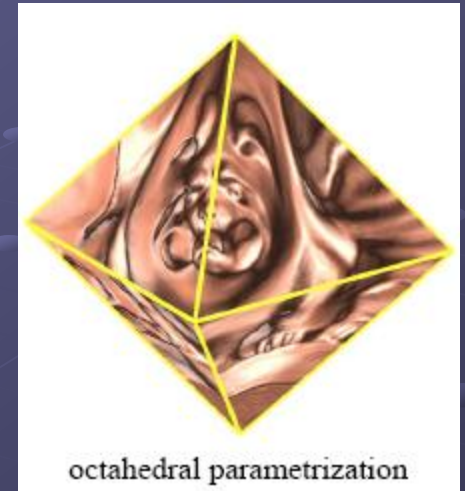
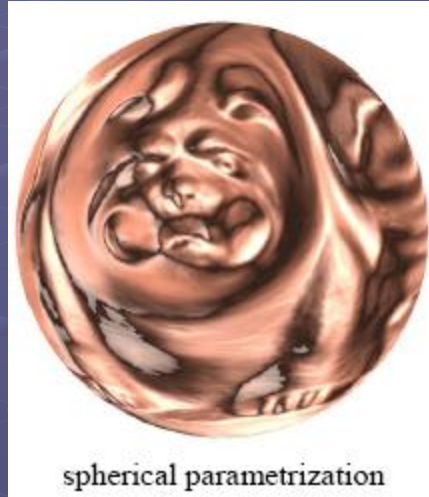
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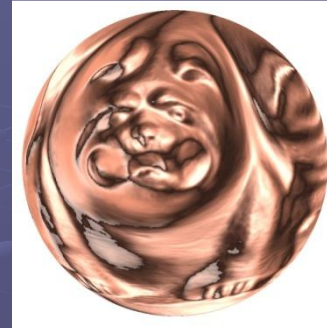


# Introduction

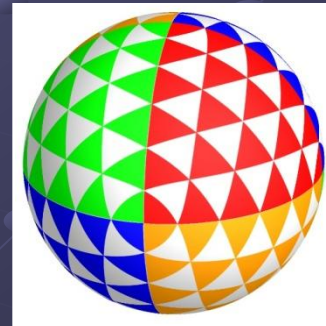
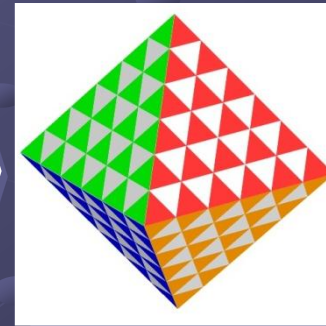
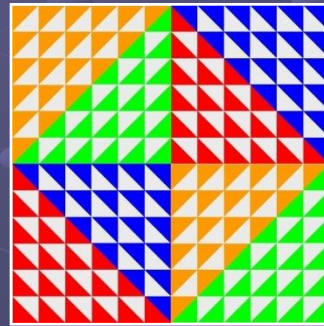


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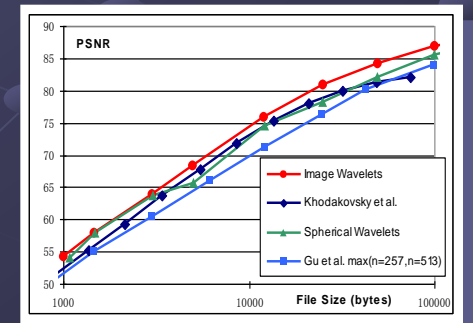
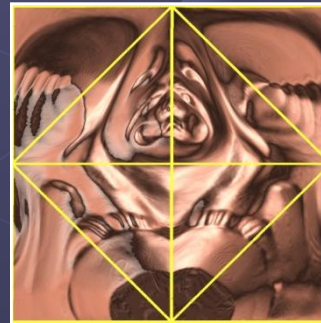
1. Spherical parameterization  
 $S \rightarrow M$



2. Spherical remeshing  
 $D \rightarrow S$   
 $I \rightarrow D$



3. Results & applications





# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

## ● Previous work:

- Kent et al.[1992] : simulate a balloon inflation process
- Alexa[2002] uses spring-like relaxation process
- Grimm[2002] : surfaces- $\rightarrow$ 6 charts- $\rightarrow$ cube- $\rightarrow$ sphere
- Haker et al.[2000] find conformal approximation of meshes over sphere
- Sheffer et al.[2003] find the angles of a spherical embedding as a constrained nonlinear system
- Gostman et al.[2003] embed simple meshes on the sphere by solving a quadratic system
- Quicken et al.[2000] parameterize the surface of a voxel volume onto a sphere.

These prior schemes cannot parameterize a complex mesh robustly and with low scale-distortion necessary for good remeshing.



# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

Planar-domain Stretch Metric:

$$\phi : D \rightarrow M$$

$\Gamma, \gamma$  : singular value of Jacobian matrix  $J_\phi$

Represent the largest and smallest local stretch.

rms:

$$L^2(s, t) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\Gamma^2 + \gamma^2)} \quad \text{and} \quad L^\infty(s, t) = \Gamma$$

L2-stretch norm :

$$L^2(M) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{A_M} \iint_{(s,t) \in D} (L^2(s, t))^2 dA_M(s, t)}$$

$dA_M(s, t) = \gamma \Gamma ds dt$  is the differential surface area.

L2 stretch efficiency:

$$\left( \frac{A_M}{A_D} \right) \left( 1 / L^2(M) \right)^2$$

From 0 to 1

# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

- Spherical-domain stretch metric:

$$\phi: S \rightarrow M$$

$\Gamma, \gamma$ : singular value of Jacobian matrix  $J_{\phi^{-1}}$

$T$ : a triangle of mesh  $M$

$$L^2(T) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{A_{M_T}} \iint_{(s,t) \in T} \left( \frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \frac{1}{\Gamma^2} \right) dA_{M_T}(s,t)},$$

$dA_{M_T}(s,t) = ds dt$  is the differential mesh triangle area.

# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

- To prevent an over-sampling problem from stretch-metric, add a penalty for **inverse-stretch**

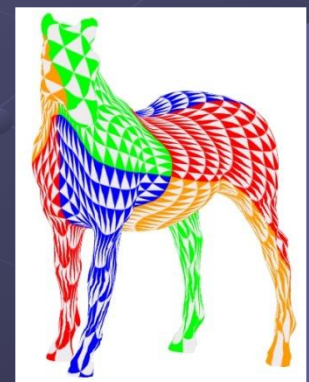
$$\Gamma \gg \gamma$$

$$\varepsilon (A_M / 4\pi)^{p/2+1} (\Gamma)^p,$$

$\varepsilon = 0.0001, p = 6$  work well for all of tested models.



without



with





# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

- Spherical triangle map:

For performance, they have chosen to use the gnomonic map for the coarse-to-fine optimization of  $S \rightarrow M$

**Gnomonic:** It is simply spherical projection about the sphere center  $O$ . That is,  $P = (\alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C) / \|\alpha A + \beta B + \gamma C\|$ . The inverse is easily computable as spherical projection back onto the triangle.

	Gnomonic	2-slerp sym.	Arvo-Turk <sup>-1</sup>	Buss-Fillmore	Area	Subdivision	Stretch $D \rightarrow S$	(Stretch $S \rightarrow D$ )
$D \rightarrow S$	$L^2=0.31$	$L^2=0.67$	$L^2=0.75$	$L^2=0.70$	$L^2=0.40$	$L^2=0.71$	$L^2=0.85$	( $L^2=0.80$ )
$S \rightarrow D$	$L^2=0.23$	$L^2=0.55$	$L^2=0.73$	$L^2=0.45$	$L^2=0.42$	$L^2=0.32$	$L^2 < 0.01$	( $L^2=0.75$ )

Figure 3: Comparison of spherical triangle maps for a large spherical triangle, and computed stretch efficiencies in both map directions. (The black curves show a uniform tessellation of the planar triangle in domain  $D$  mapped onto the sphere  $S$ .)

# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

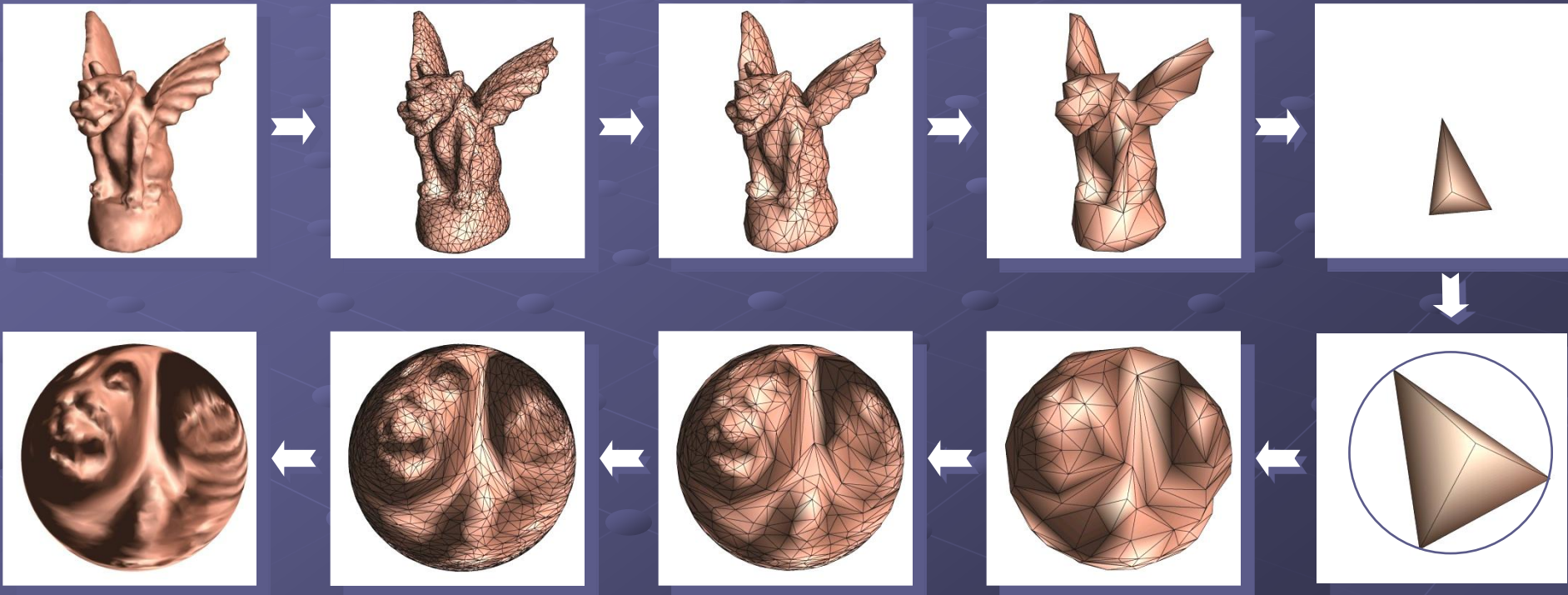
- **Algorithm:**

- 1. Coarse-to-fine strategy:**

- simplify mesh  $M$  to a tetrahedron-base domain with progressive mesh (PM),
- map the base domain to the sphere,
- traverse the PM sequence backward and insert vertices on the surface

# Coarse-to-Fine Strategy

Convert to progressive mesh



Parameterize coarse-to-fine

Maintain embedding & minimize stretch



# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

## ● Algorithm:

### 2. Vertex insertion:

- new vertex has the 1-ring neighbors form a spherical polygon
- the kernel of this spherical polygon is defined as the intersection of hemispheres, each of which defined by each of the polygon edges
- new vertex can only be placed in this kernel

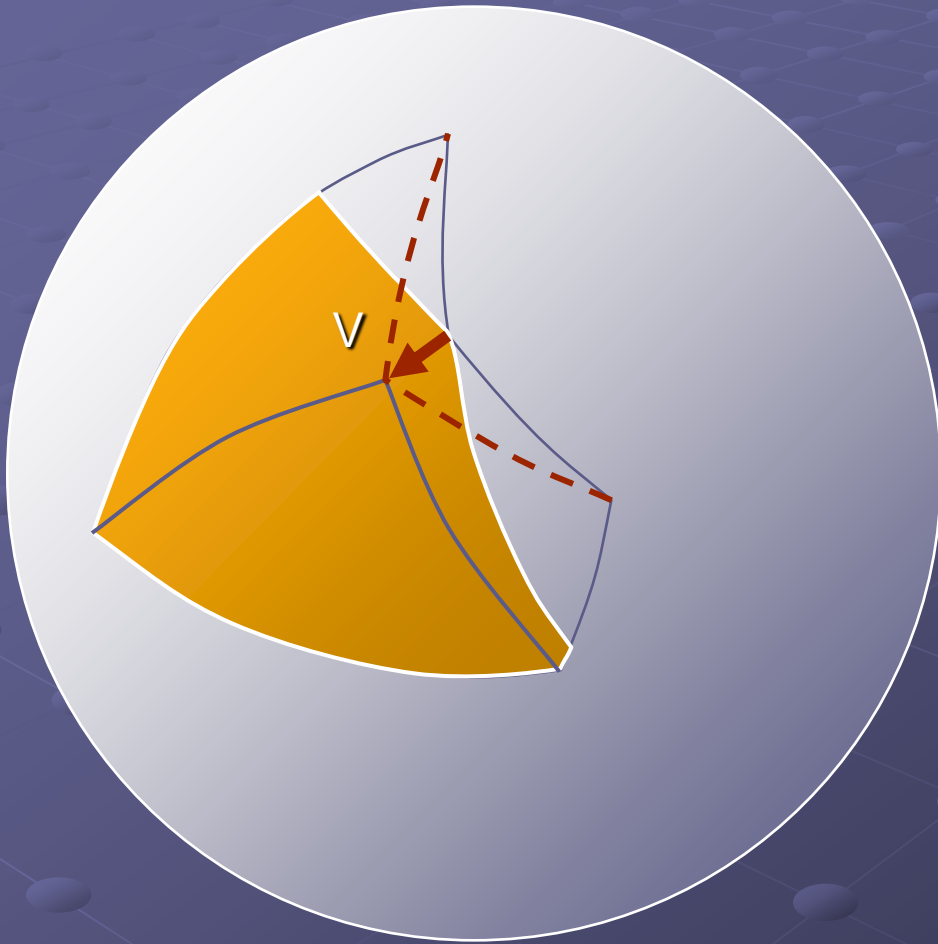
# Spherical parameterization ( $S \rightarrow M$ )

## ● Algorithm:

### 3. Vertex optimization:

- After insert a new vertex, optimize all vertices in their neighborhood one at a time
- Each optimization using the stretch metric summed from adjacent triangles, perturbing the vertex only in the kernel of its 1-ring
- All vertices traversed by a priority queue ordered by the amount of change in their neighborhood, and stop when the largest change is below a threshold

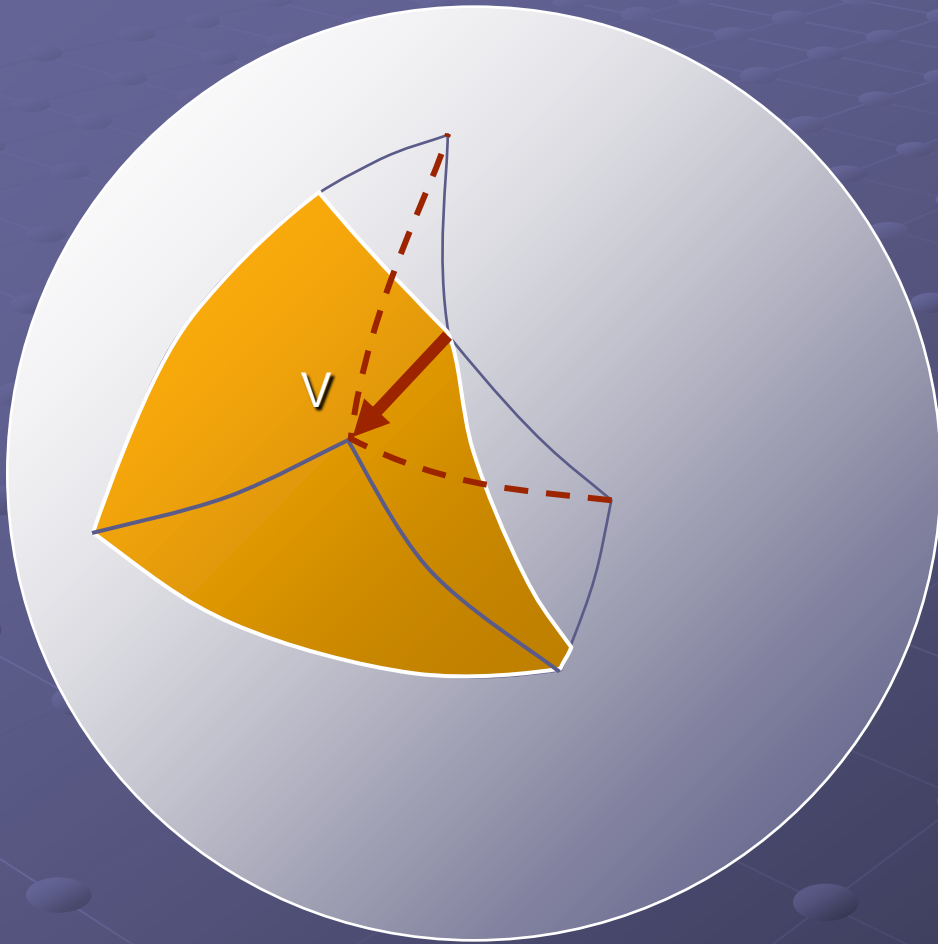
# Vertex Insertion



- Before Vsplit:
  - No degenerate/flipped  $\Delta$   
 $\Rightarrow$  1-ring kernel  $\neq \emptyset$
- Apply Vsplit:  
No flips if  $V$  inside kernel



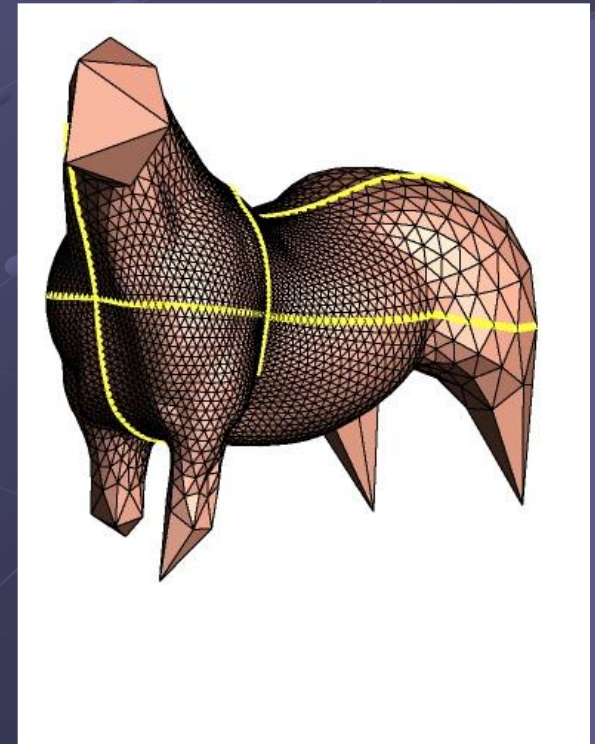
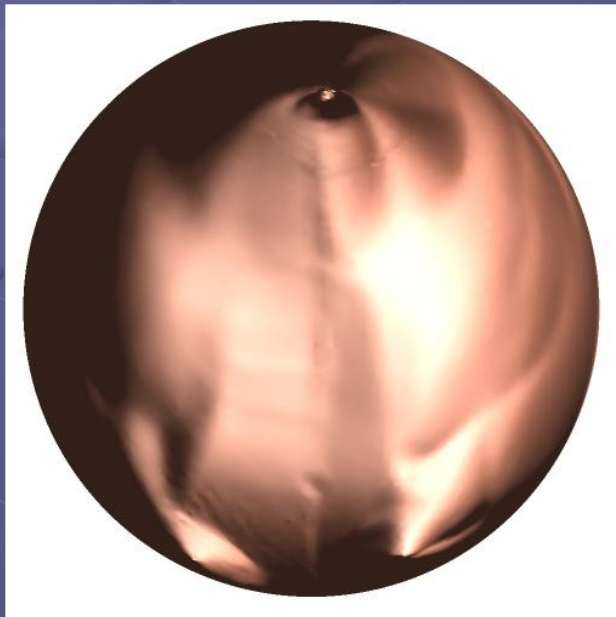
# Vertex Optimization



- Before Vsplit:
  - No degenerate/flipped  $\Delta$   
 $\Rightarrow$  1-ring kernel  $\neq \emptyset$
- Apply Vsplit:
  - No flips if V inside kernel
- Optimize stretch:
  - No degenerate  $\Delta$   
(they have  $\infty$  stretch)

# Traditional Conformal Metric

- Preserve angles but “area compression”
- Bad for sampling using regular grids



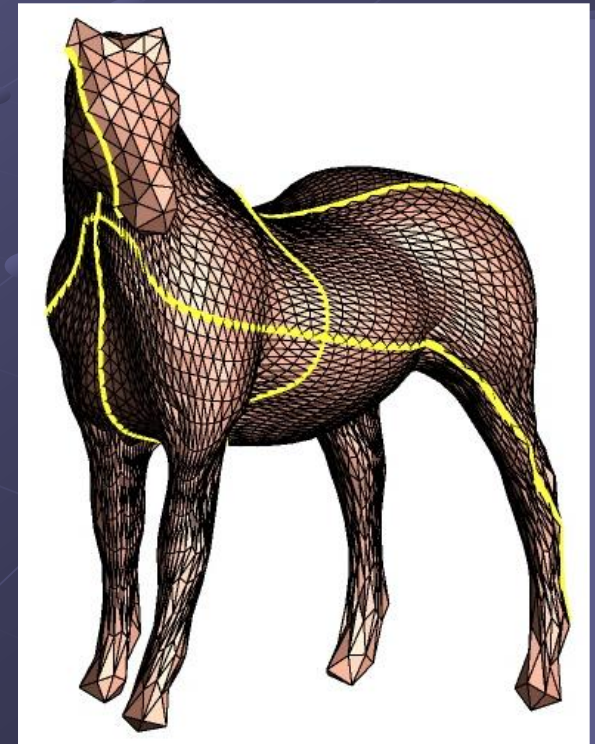
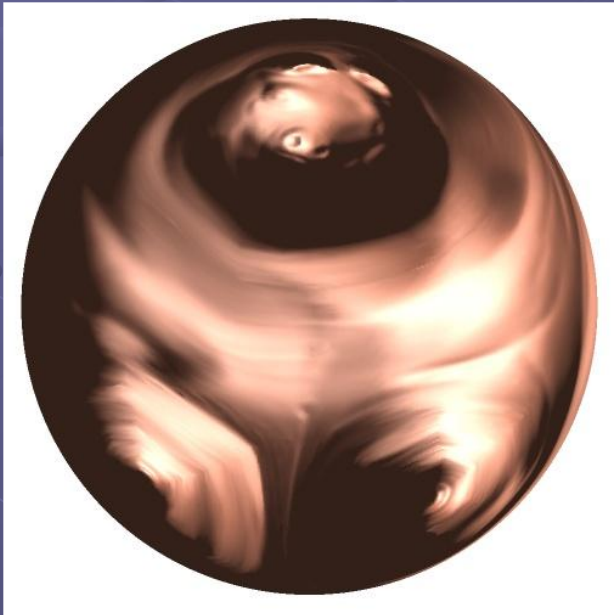
# Stretch Metric

[Sander et al. 2001]

[Sander et al. 2002]

Penalizes undersampling

Better samples the surface





# Domain Spherical parameterization ( $D \rightarrow S$ )

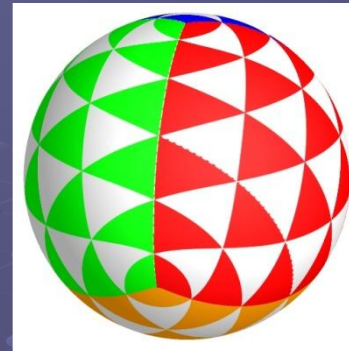
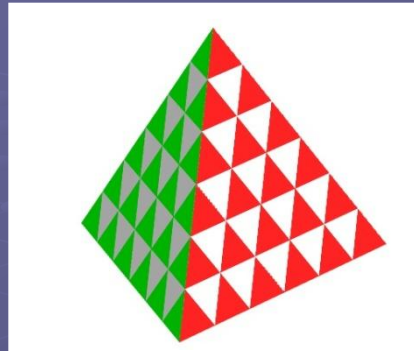
- Use stretch-optimized spherical triangle map on the  $n$ -tessellated domain  $D$
- Compare for other maps:

	Stretch- optimiz.	Procedural Maps					
		Gno- monic	2-slerp	Arvo <sup>o</sup> Turk <sup>-1</sup>	Buss- Fillmore	Area	Subdiv.
tetra	<b>0.910</b>	0.628	0.871	0.846	<b>0.889</b>	0.849	0.645
octa	<b>0.969</b>	0.893	0.954	0.943	0.958	<b>0.958</b>	0.902
cube2	<b>0.983</b>	0.859	0.945	0.967	0.953	0.932	0.924
cube4		0.956	0.965	0.966	0.966	<b>0.978</b>	0.959
cube8		0.961	0.966	0.966	0.966	0.965	0.964
flat-octa	<b>0.896</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

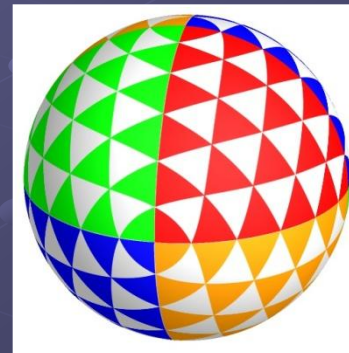
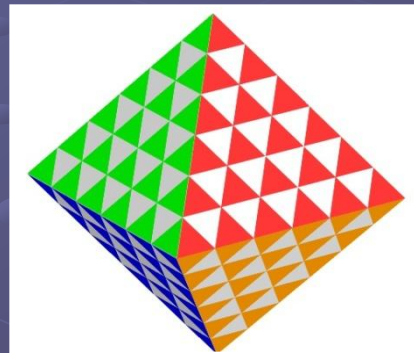
Table 2:  $L^2$  stretch efficiencies for  $D \rightarrow S$  using optimization and procedural maps. (Cube faces are split into 2, 4, or 8 triangles.)

# Domains And Their Sphere Maps

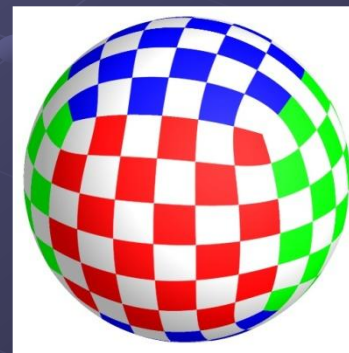
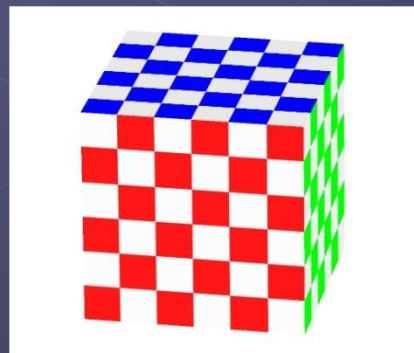
tetrahedron



octahedron

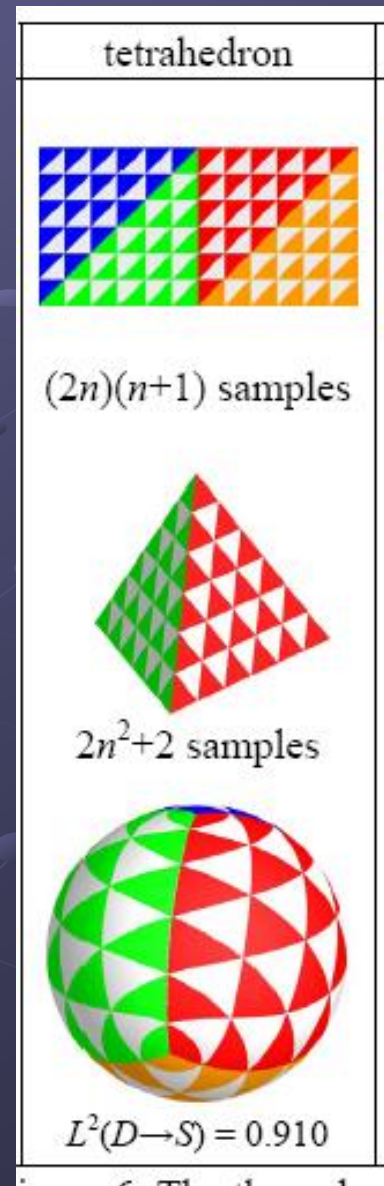
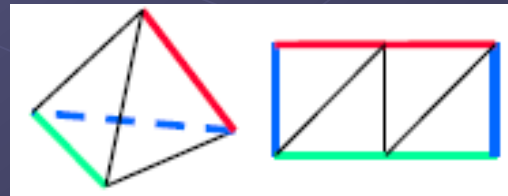


cube



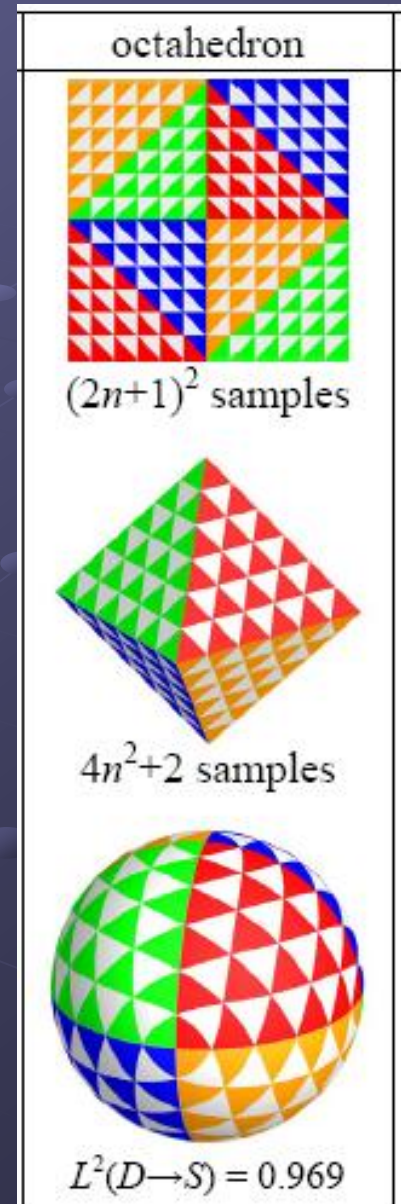
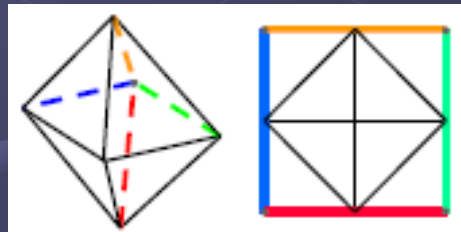
# Domain unfolding ( $I \rightarrow D$ )

- Tetrahedron:
  - Non-isometric
  - Rectangular image
  - Linear interpolation



# Domain unfolding ( $I \rightarrow D$ )

- Octahedron:
  - Non-isometric
  - Square image
  - Linear interpolation

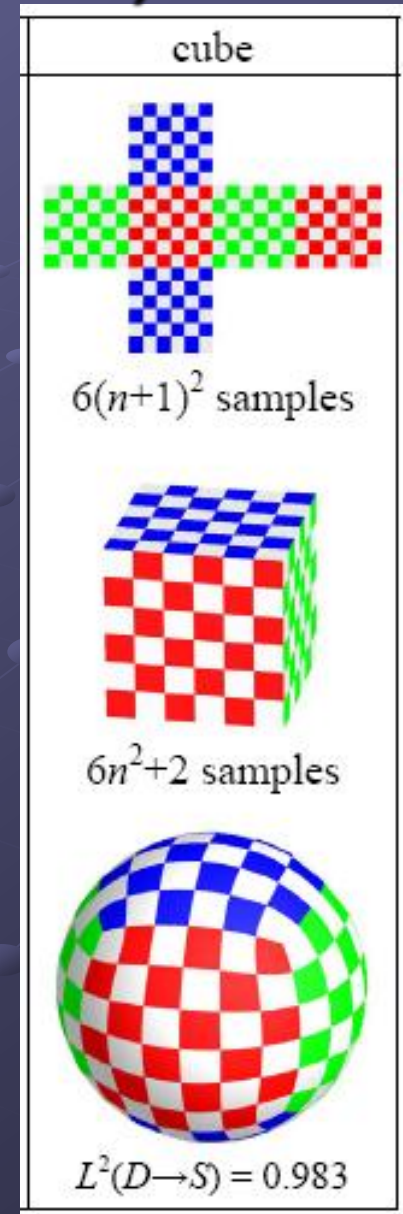




# Domain unfolding ( $I \rightarrow D$ )

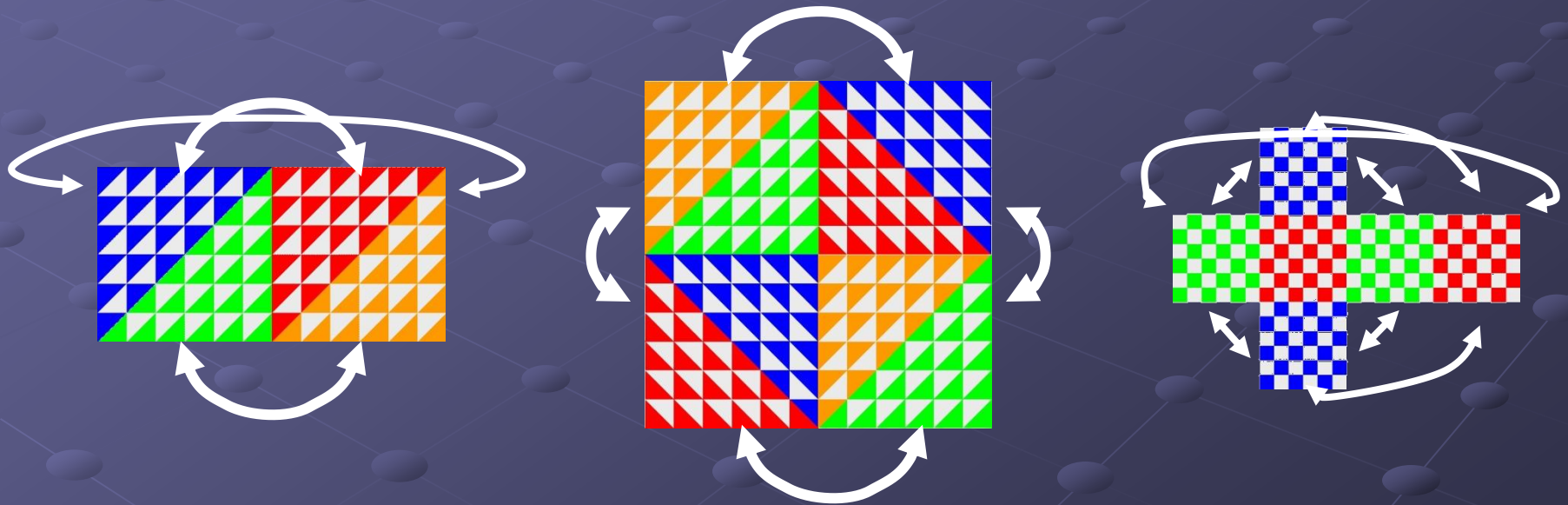
## ● Cube:

- Isometric
- Bi-linear interpolation



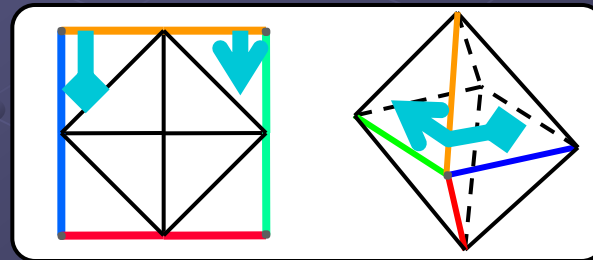
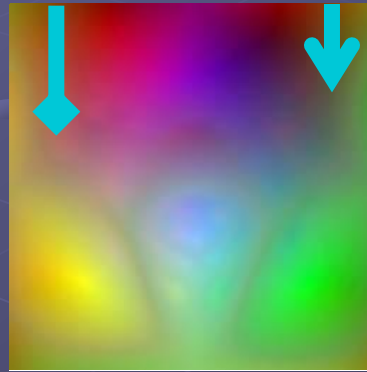
# Domain Unfolding ( $I \rightarrow D$ )

## Boundary Constraints



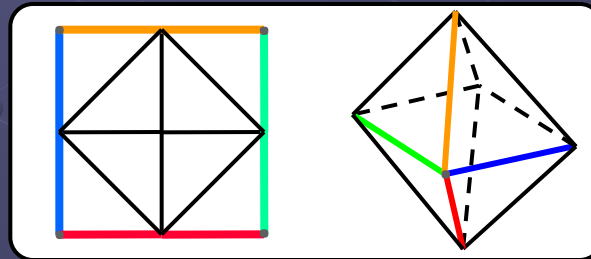
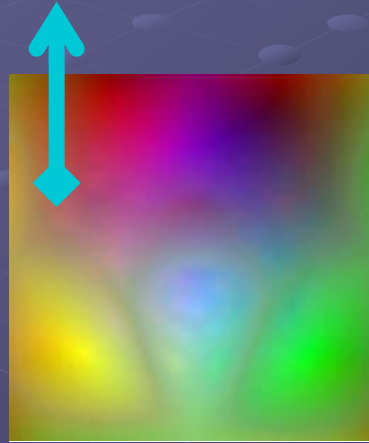
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## Boundary extension rules



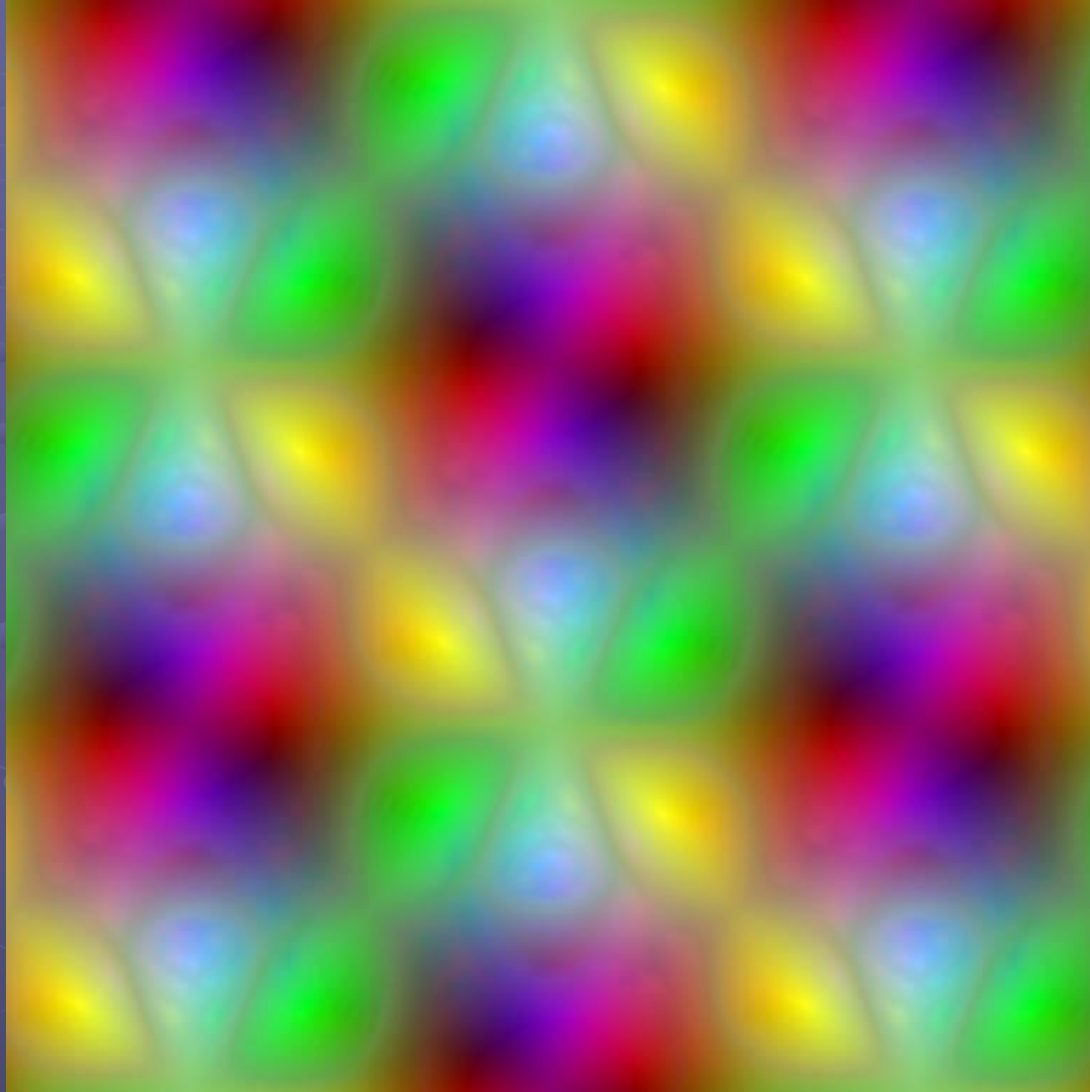
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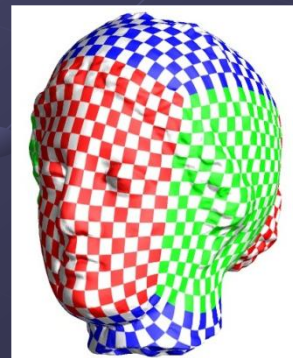
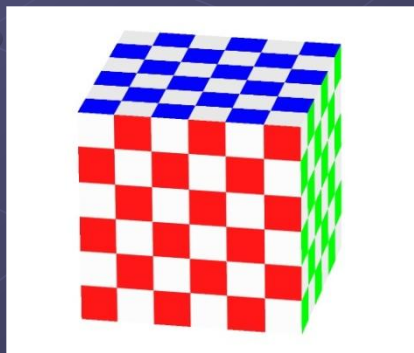
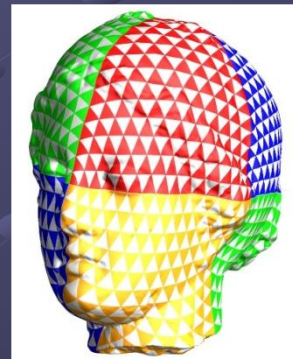
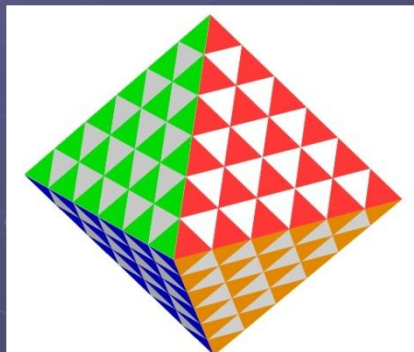
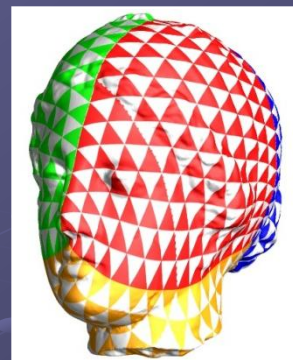
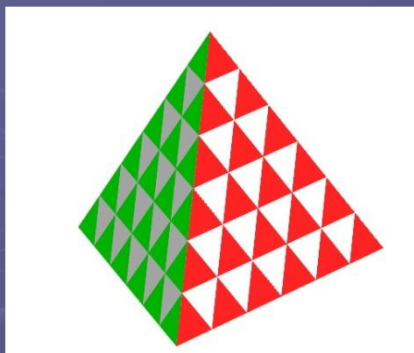
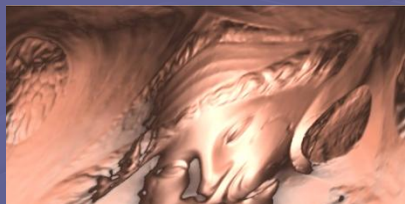




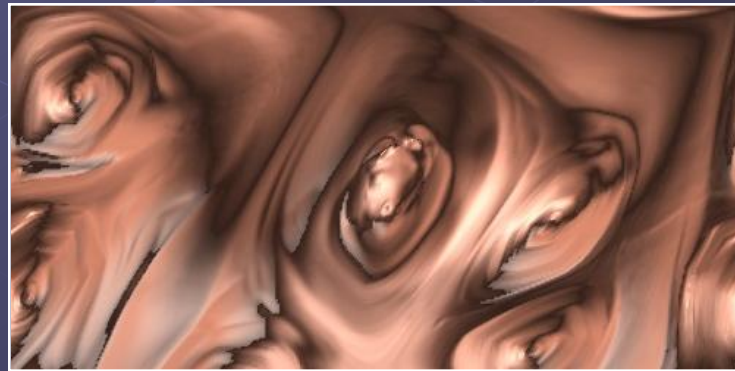
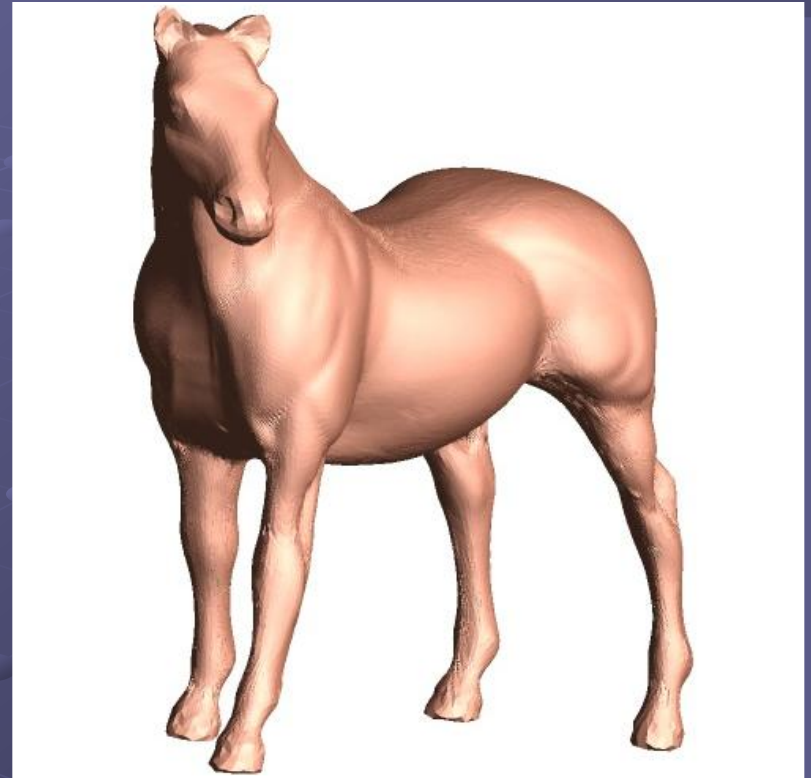
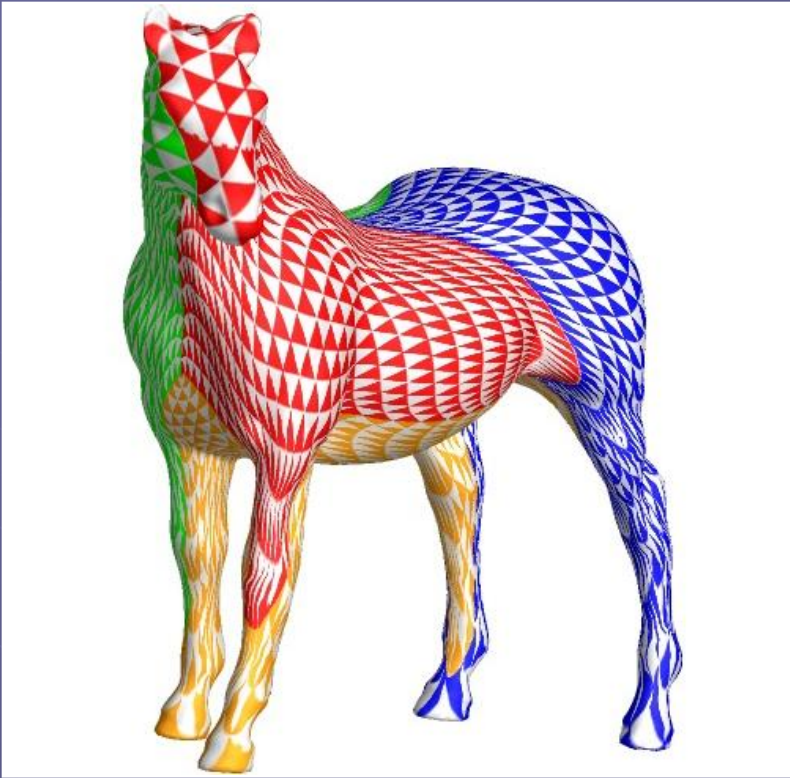
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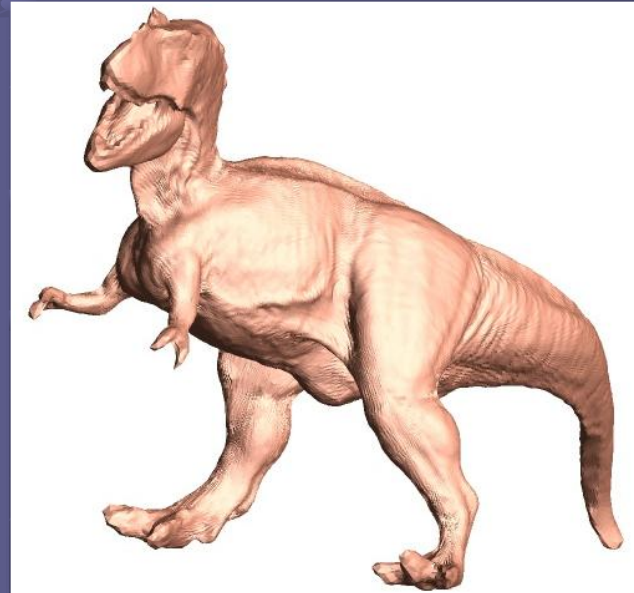
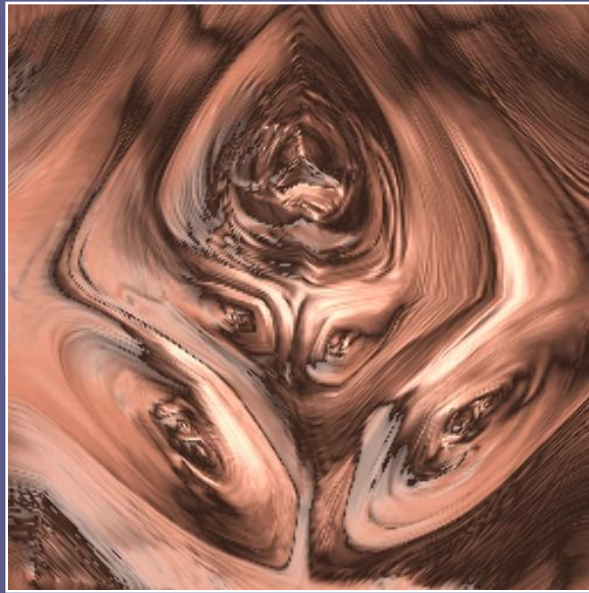
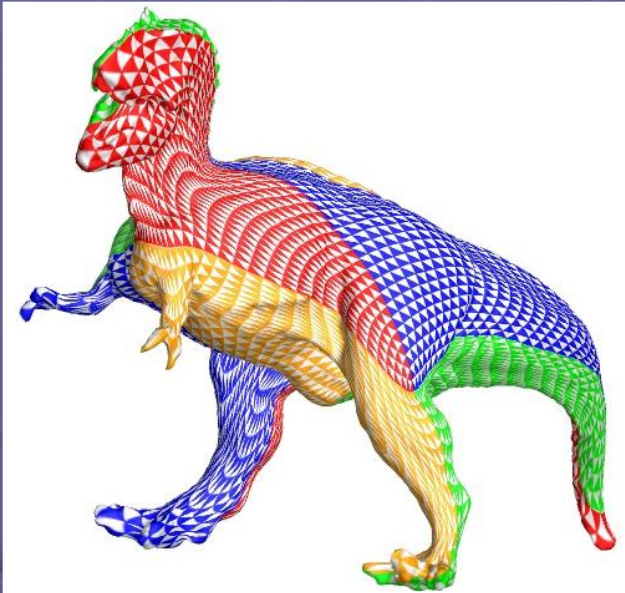


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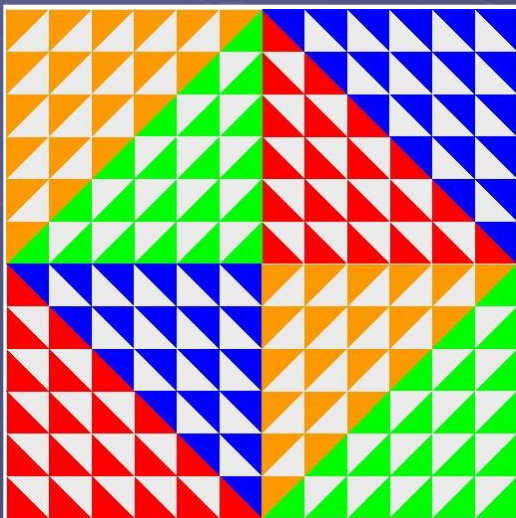
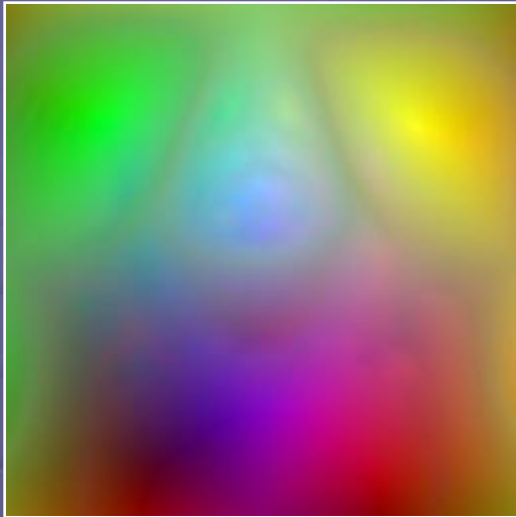
# Results





# Applications

- Rendering



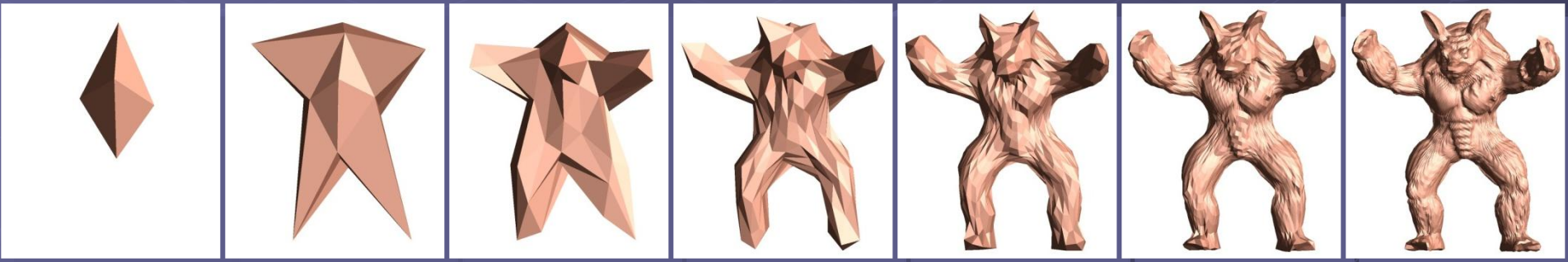
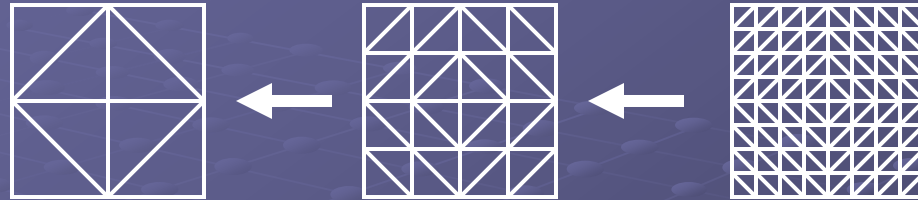
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# Applications

## ● Level-of-Detail



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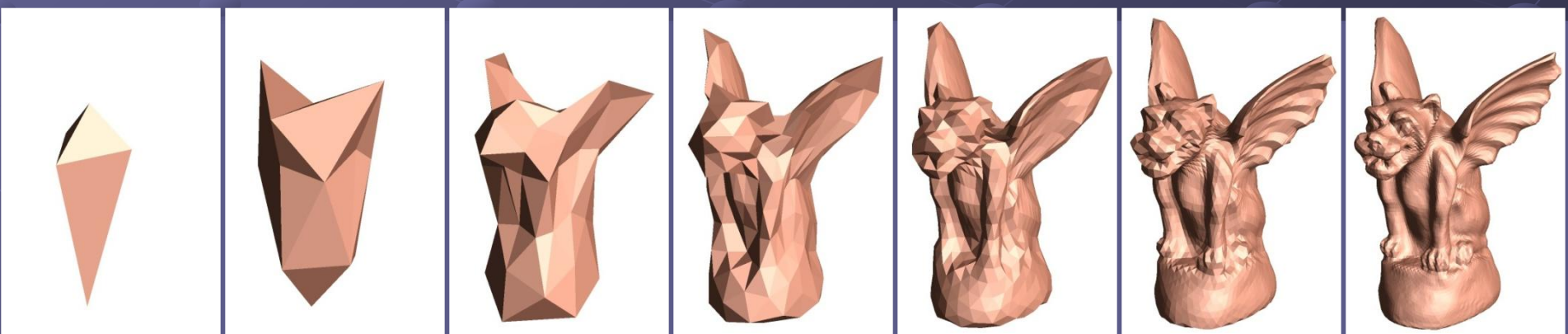
$n=4$

$n=8$

$n=16$

$n=32$

$n=64$



$n=1$

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# Applications

- Morphing

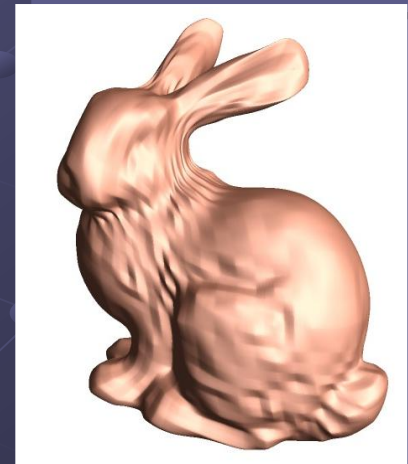
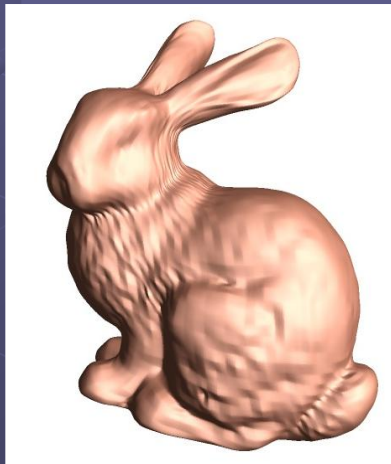
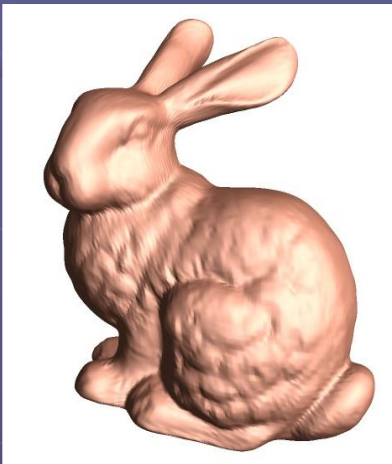
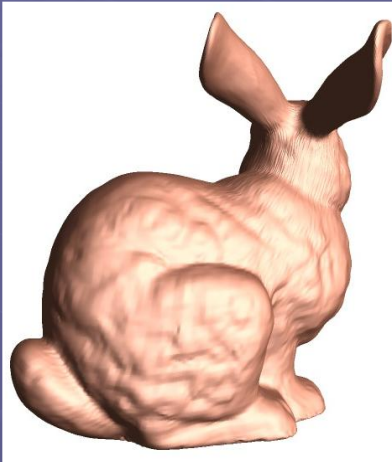
Interpolating 2 geometry images





# Applications

## ● Geometry Compression



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3 KB

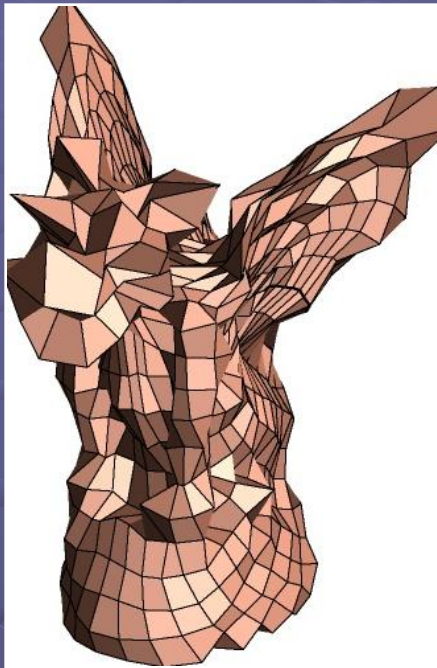
1.5 KB



# Applications

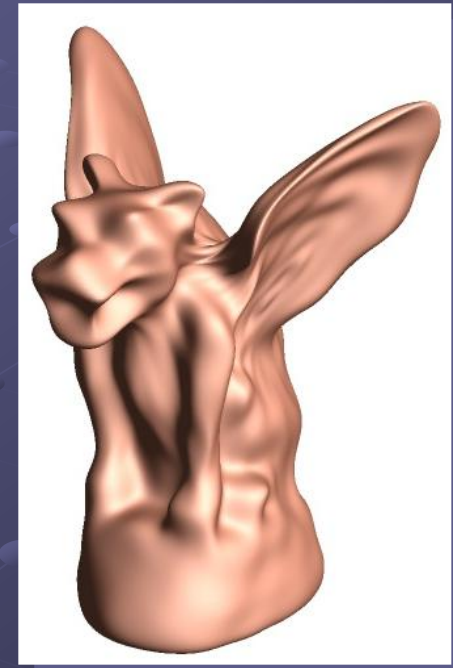
## ● Smooth Subdivision

[Losasso et al. 2003]



33x33 geometry image

GPU  
→  
3.17 ms



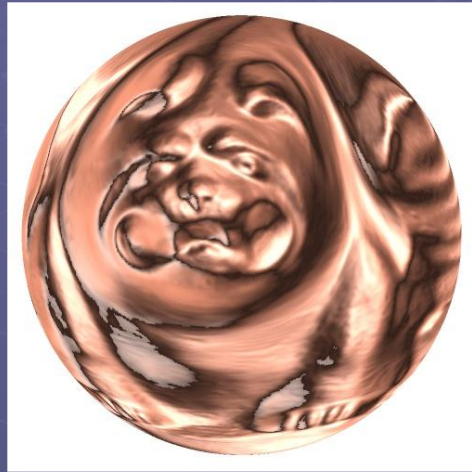
$C^1$  surface

*ordinary uniform bicubic B-spline*

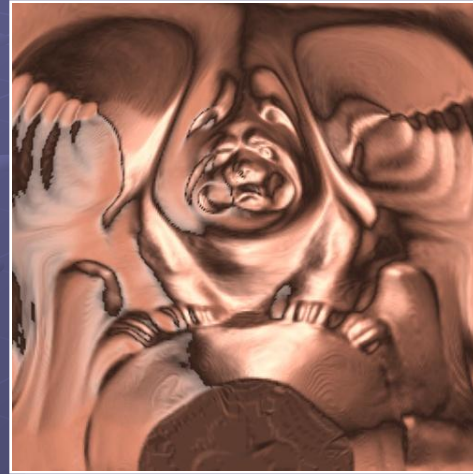
# Summary



*original*



*spherical  
parametrization*



*geometry  
image*



*remesh*

# Conclusions

- Spherical parametrization
  - Guaranteed one-to-one
- New construction for geometry images
  - Specialized to genus-0
  - No *a priori* cuts  $\Rightarrow$  better performance
  - New boundary extension rules
    - Effective compression, DSP, GPU splines, ...

# Future Work

- Explore DSP on unfolded octahedron
  - 4 singular points at image edge midpoints
- Fine-to-coarse integrated metric tensors
  - Faster parametrization; signal-specialized map
- Direct  $D \leftrightarrow S \leftrightarrow M$  optimization
- Consistent inter-model parametrization