Joint optimization of distortion and cut location for mesh parameterization using an Ambrosio-Tortorelli functional

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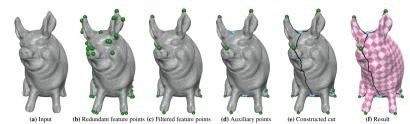
- Decompose into topological disks
- Compute first mapping for each disks
- Minimize disks distorsion energy (ARAP, Sym Dirichlet, MIPS...)

Introduction

Related works : cutting methods



Seamster [Sheffer and Hart. 2002]



Greedy Cut [Zhu et al. 2020]

Introduction Problem

- Cut has to predict distorsion
- Balance between cut length and distorsion



Joint optimization of distorsion and cuts Related works:

- Autocuts: simultaneous distortion and cut optimization for UV mapping (Roi Poranne, Marco Tarini, Sandro Huber, Daniele Panozzo, and Olga Sorkine-Hornung, 2017)
- Optcuts: joint optimization of surface cuts and parameterization (Minchen Li, Danny M. Kaufman and Vladimir G. Kim and Justin Solomon and Alla Sheffer, 2018)

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Ambrosio-Tortorelli functional ^{Our goal}



Domain *u*: parameterization function *v*: cuts indicator

Our goal is to build a variational approach using two functions, u representing the parameterization and v representing the cuts

Ambrosio-Tortorelli functional The Mumford-Shah functional

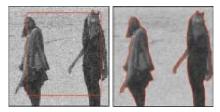
Segmentation as a piecewise-smooth function

$$\mathscr{MS}(K,u) = \underbrace{\alpha \int_{M \setminus K} |u - g|^2 dx}_{\text{Fitting term}} + \underbrace{\int_{M \setminus K} |\nabla u|^2 dx}_{\text{Smoothing term}} + \underbrace{\lambda \mathscr{H}^1(K \cap M)}_{\text{Discontinuities term}}$$
(1)

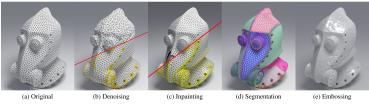
- M the object surface
- g the input data, defined on M
- u the regularized data
- K the set of discontinuities
- the \mathscr{H}^1 Hausdorff measure
- α et λ two real numbers

Ambrosio-Tortorelli functional

Mumford-Shah related Prior Works



[Tsai et al. 2001]



[Bonneel et al. 2018]

Ambrosio-Tortorelli The Ambrosio Tortorelli functional

Mumford-Shah relaxation

$$\mathscr{AT}(u,v) = \underbrace{\alpha \int_{M} |u-g|^{2} dx}_{\text{Fitting term}} + \underbrace{\int_{M} |v\nabla u|^{2} dx}_{\text{Smoothing term}} + \underbrace{\lambda \int_{M} \varepsilon(\nabla v)^{2} + \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} (1-v)^{2} dx}_{\text{Discontinuities term}}$$
(2)

With v: $M \rightarrow [0,1]$, and ε a real positive number.

Energy formulation

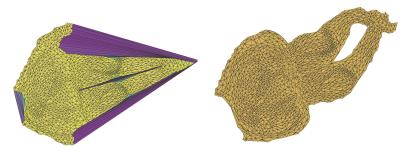
$$\mathscr{AT}(u,v) = \underbrace{\alpha \int_{M} |u-g|^{2} dx}_{\text{No use for us}} + \underbrace{\int_{M} |v \nabla u|^{2} dx}_{\text{Weighted Dirichlet}} + \lambda \int_{M} \varepsilon (\nabla v)^{2} + \frac{1}{4\varepsilon} (1-v)^{2} dx$$

Per face energy :

$$\begin{aligned} AT_{modif}(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) &= (\mathbf{v}^2 + \gamma) \left((\nabla \mathbf{u})^2 + (\nabla \mathbf{u}^{-1})^2 \right) &+ \lambda \varepsilon (\nabla \mathbf{v})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4\varepsilon} (1 - \mathbf{v})^2 \\ &= (\mathbf{v}^2 + \gamma) \Psi(u) &+ \lambda \varepsilon (\nabla \mathbf{v})^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4\varepsilon} (1 - \mathbf{v})^2 \end{aligned}$$

Where $\gamma << 1$ is a constant (for stability) u is placed on vertices, v on faces

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The color represents v on each face, yellow means the face is rigid (v = 1) and purple means the face can be distorted (v = 0). We first optimize v and u (left), then we compute cuts along v and finally optimize u to obtain the final parameterization (right)

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Optimization method

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In AT, with \varepsilon fixed : u (resp. v) fixed -> convex quadratic expression in v (resp. u)
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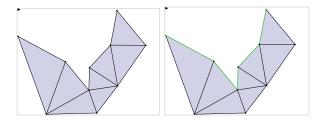
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\varepsilon \leftarrow \varepsilon_{1}
for \varepsilon \ge \varepsilon_{2} do
loop
Fix v, solve u
Fix u, solve v
end loop
Decrease \varepsilon
end for
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In our case, the 'Fix v solve u' step means optimizing a Symmetric Dirichlet energy, and consists of most of the time spent by our method. We use the method from "Analytic eigensystems for isotropic distortion energies" [Smith et al. 2019]

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Cuts must be defined from face patches III posed problem: similar to homotopy reduction, but not exactly Retained method:

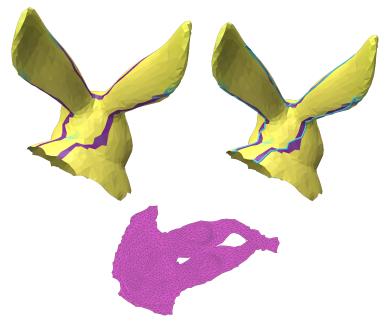
Shortest pair between farthest points

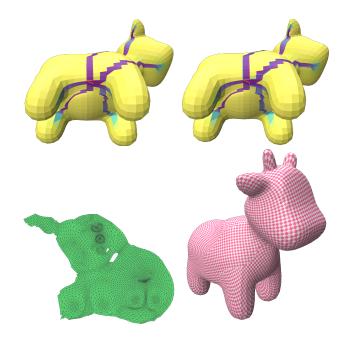


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Results

Comparison to existing method (OptCuts)

Model	Bunny head	Camel head	bimba	armadillo
OptCut's time	2.5s	89s	13s	29s
Our time	1.6s	35s	6s	6.1s
Initial distorsion	9.10	7.45	7.64	10.3
OptCut's distorsion	4.36	4.26	4.50	5.22
Our distorsion	4.39	4.26	4.50	5.22
OptCut's cut length	2.88	2.93	2.01	2.07
Our cut length	3.82	2.56	1.90	4.25

Table: We achieve results with similar quality as OptCuts but in less time

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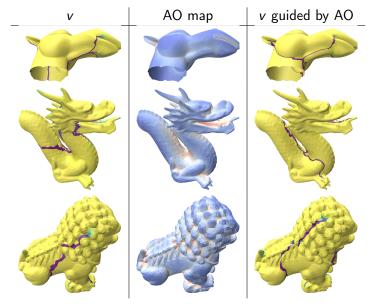
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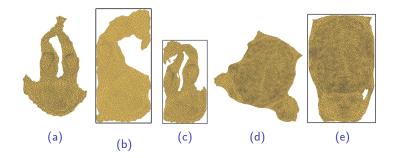
Results on the bunnyhead and hand meshes for $\lambda = \{3, 1, 0.1\}$. Lower λ parameter implies longer cuts.

Constraints

Ambient Occlusion map



Constraints Texture packing



Future works:

- ► Test other energies such as ARAP, Symmetric ARAP, MIPS...
- Use a cutting method following the topology induced by v
- Speed up optimization using recent competitive gradient and mirror descent algorithms [Schäfer and Anandkumar, 2019; Schäfer et al. 2020]

Questions?