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Maximum Likelihood Coordinates

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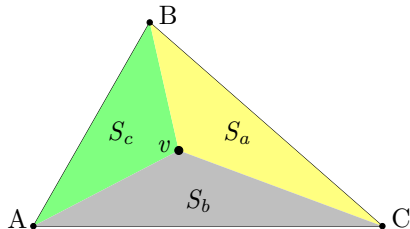
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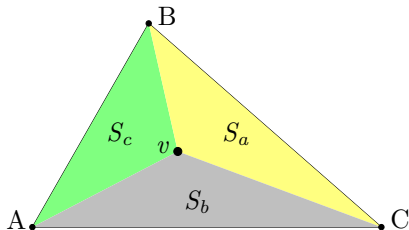


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Unique

- $\lambda = [\frac{S_a}{S}, \frac{S_b}{S}, \frac{S_c}{S}]^T$
- $S = S_a + S_b + S_c$

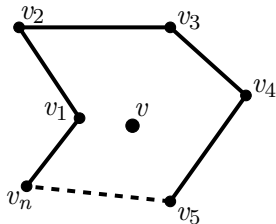


Barycentric coordinates in polygon



Given a polygon Ω with n vertices $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ and any $v \in \Omega$, find coordinates $\lambda(v) = [\lambda_1(v), \lambda_2(v), \dots, \lambda_n(v)]^T$ such that $v = \sum_i \lambda_i v_i$ and $\sum_i \lambda_i = 1$.

λ are generalized barycentric coordinates of v with respect to the polygon Ω .



- When the $n > 3$, such λ are usually **not unique**.
- Looking forward to finding λ that satisfy some properties.

Some properties we desire



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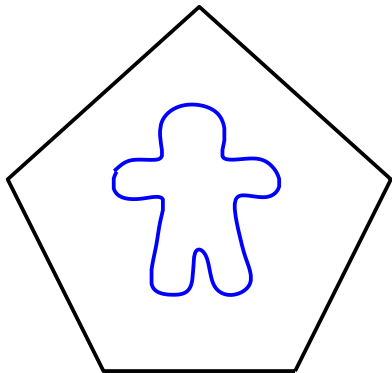
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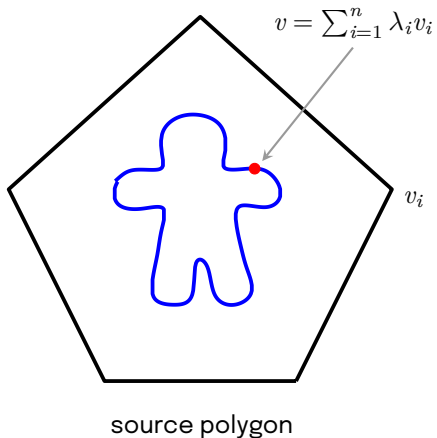
- Lagrange property: $\lambda_i(v_j) = \delta_{i,j}$
- Non-negativity: $\lambda_i(v) \geq 0$
- Piecewise linearity on $\partial\Omega$
- Smoothness: $\lambda_i(v) \in C^k$, $v \in \Omega$, $k > 0$
- Closed form: there exists a simple formula to express and compute the weights $\lambda(v)$

Free-Form deformation

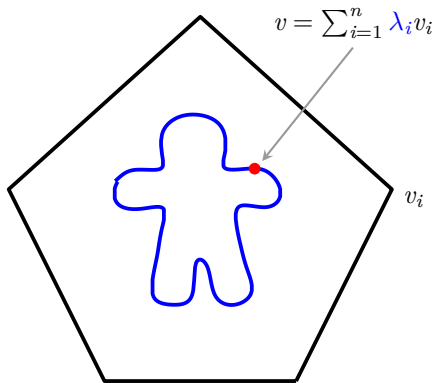


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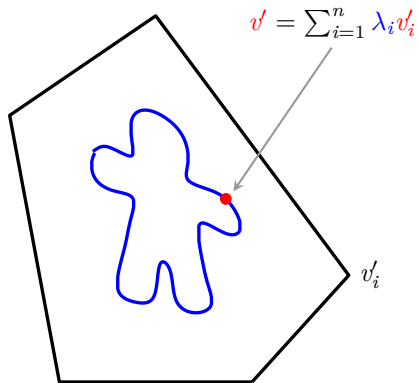
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target polygon

Related work

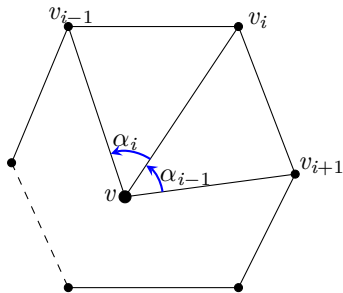


Mean value coordinates [Floater 2003]

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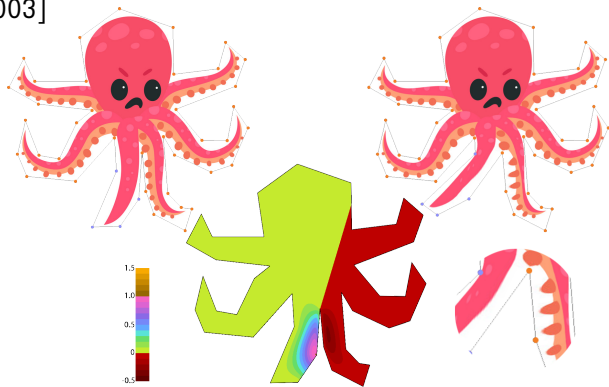


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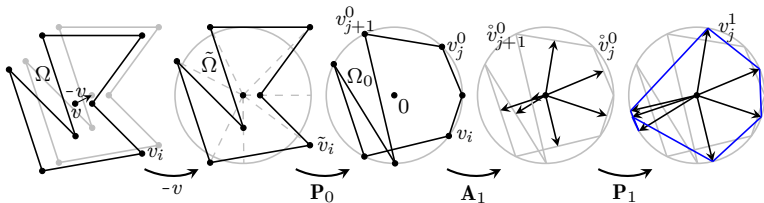
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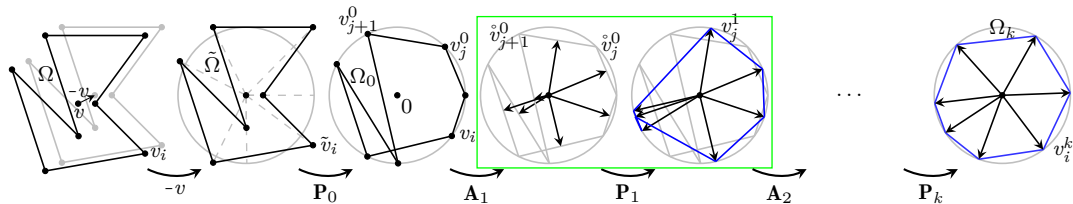
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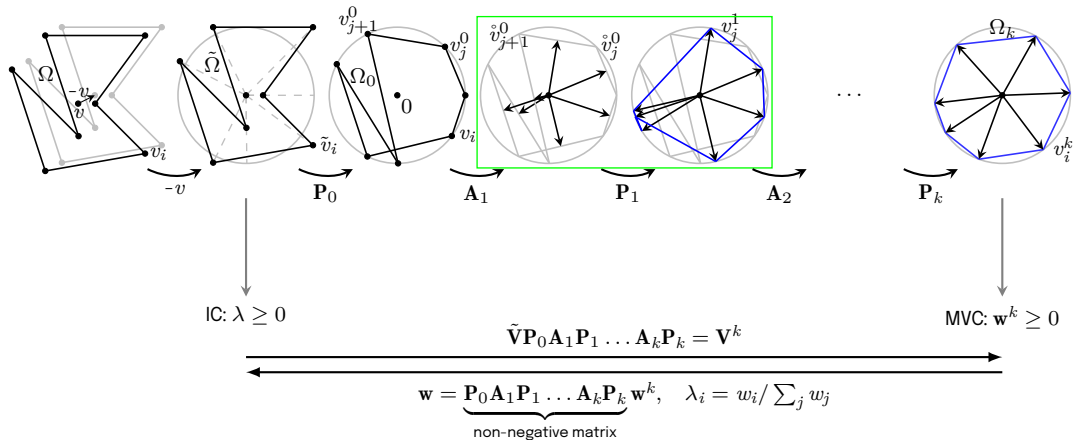
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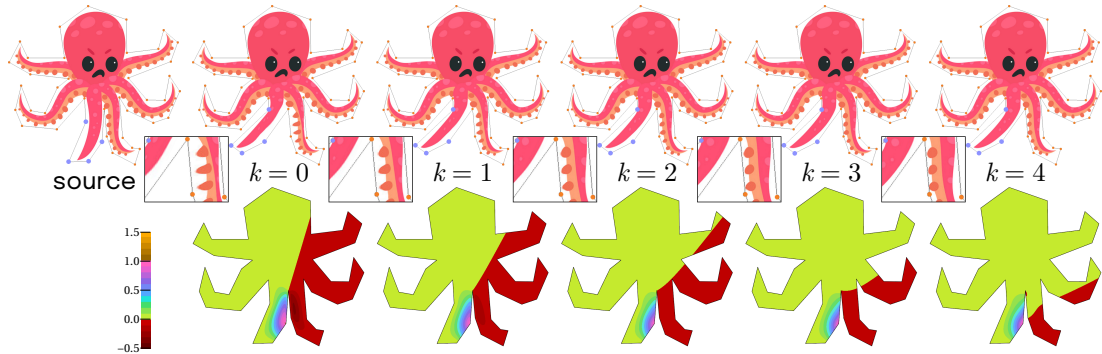
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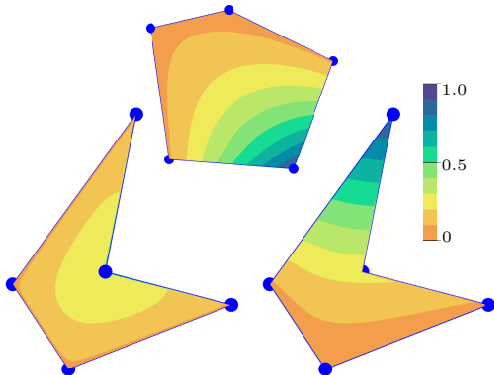


Maximum entropy approach [Sukumar 2004]

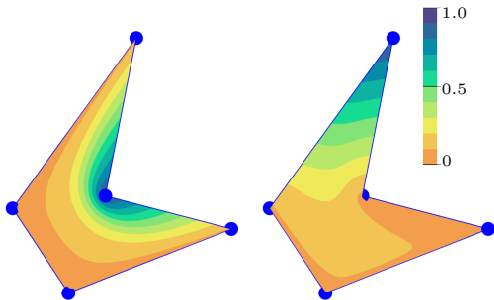
$$\max_{\lambda(v) \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} H(\lambda)$$

$$H(\lambda) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) \log \lambda_i(v)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad v = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) v_i \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) = 1$$



- It works well for convex polygons

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\lambda(v) \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} H(\lambda, \textcolor{red}{m}) \\ & H(\lambda, \textcolor{red}{m}) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) \log \frac{\lambda_i(v)}{\textcolor{red}{m}_i(v)} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & v = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) v_i \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(v) = 1 \end{aligned}$$


- prior functions**

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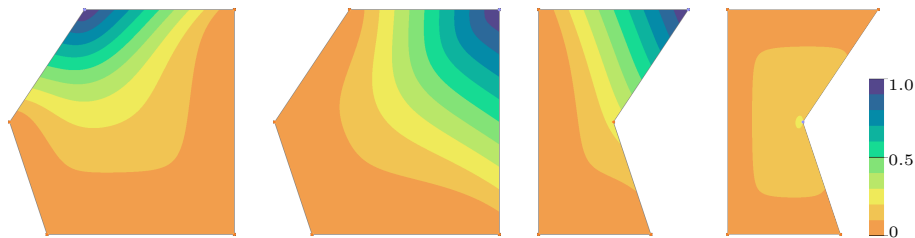
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with the method of Lagrange multipliers:

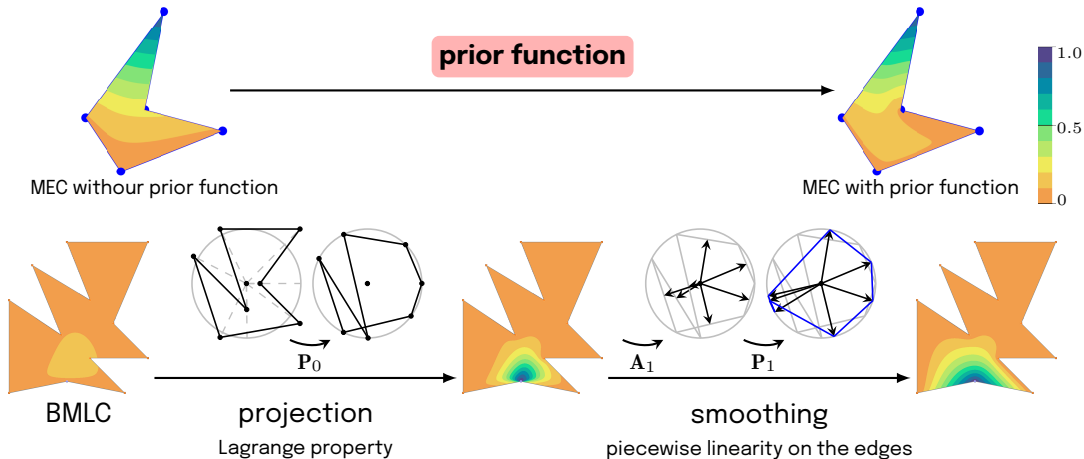
$$\lambda_i = \frac{1}{n + \phi^\top(v_i - v)} \quad \phi = \min_{\phi \in \mathbb{R}^2} F(\phi), \quad F(\phi) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(n + \phi^\top(v_i - v))$$

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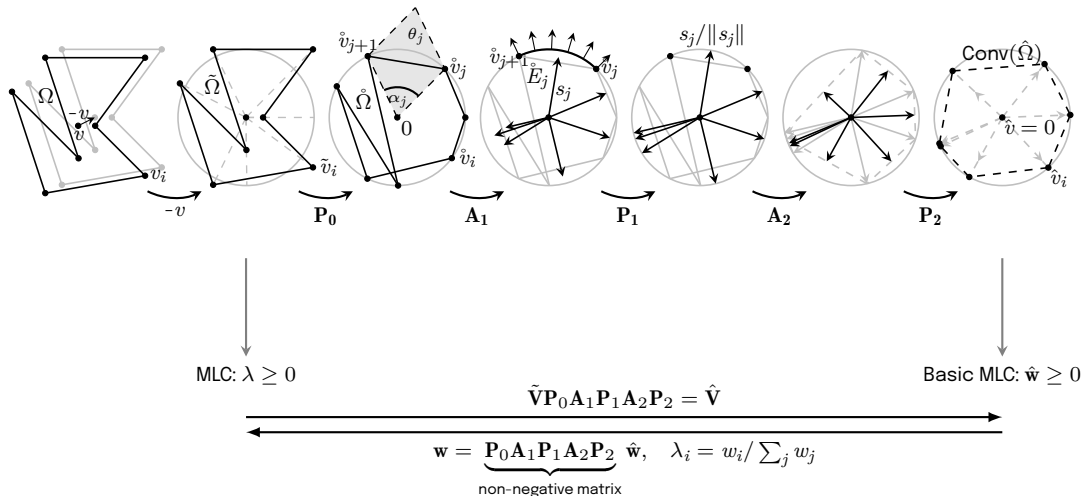


- non-negative coordinates
- smoothness
- Lagrange property (Convex polygons)
- piecewise linearity on the edges (Convex polygons and convex edges of concave polygons)

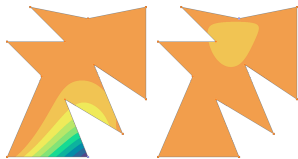
Extension for non-convex polygons



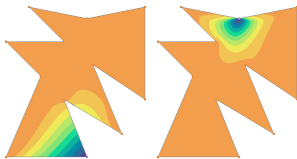
Maximum likelihood coordinates



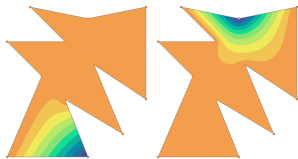
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(basic MLC)



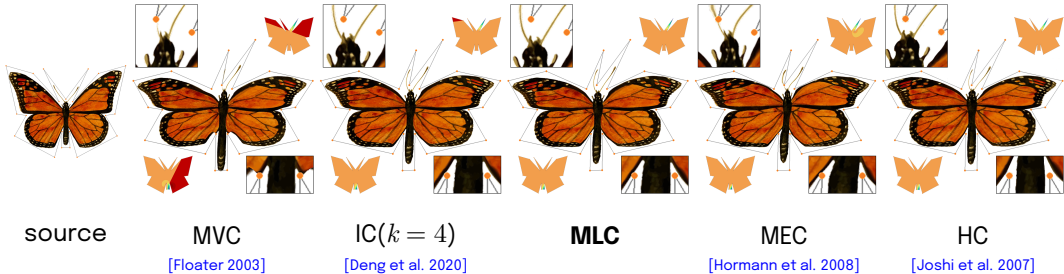
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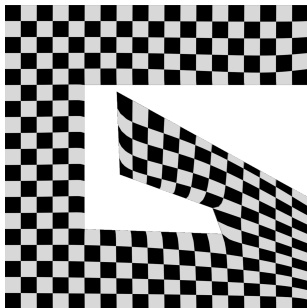
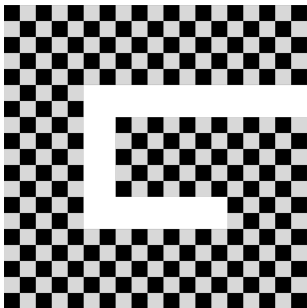
(with projection and smoothing)

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- smooth
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- piecewise linearity on the edges

Deformation



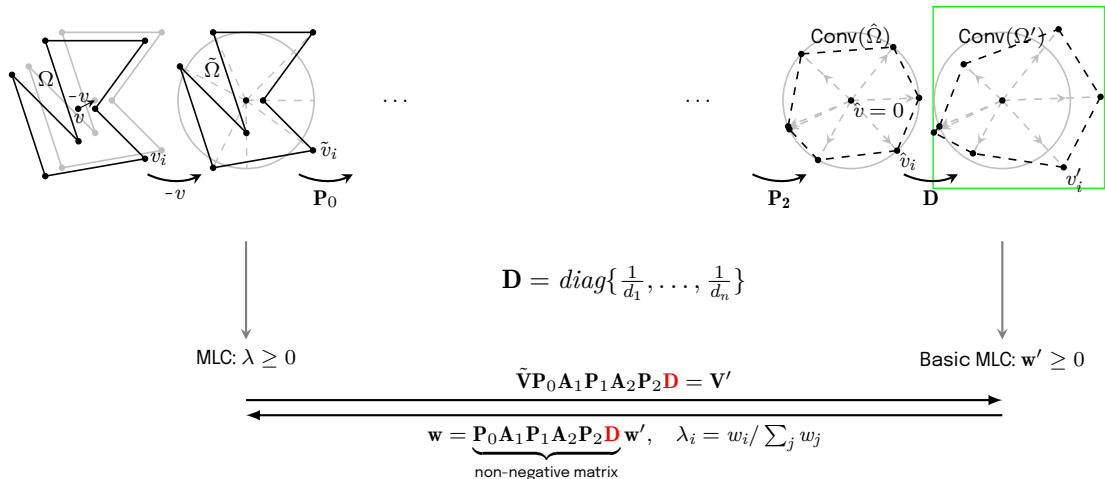
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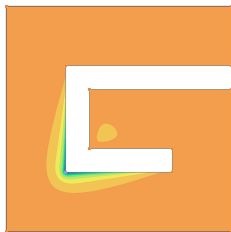
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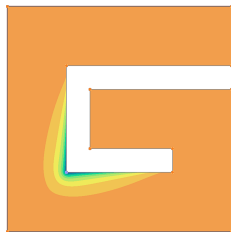
MLC



MLC with scaling

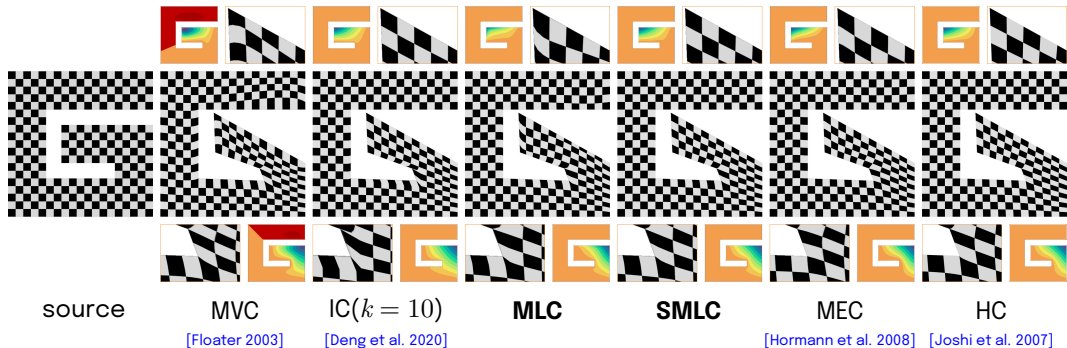


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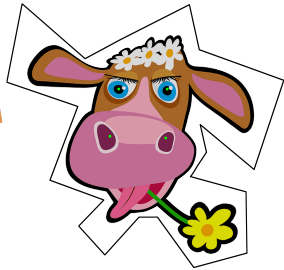
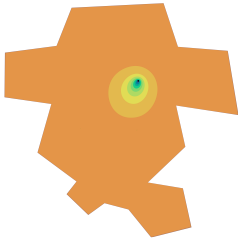


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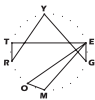
Deformation



Deformation with interior points



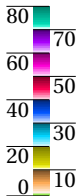
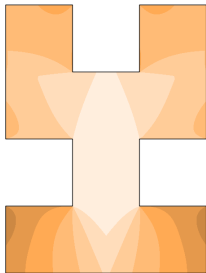
Conclusion



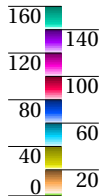
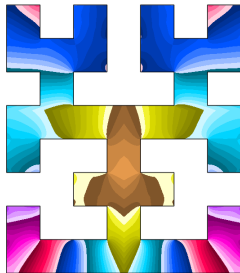
- IC[Deng et al. 2020]: it is difficult to determine the number of iterations
- MEC[Hormann & Sukumar 2008]: it is difficult to determine the prior function
- Maximum likelihood coordinates:
 - instead of entropy, we maximize likelihood (similar but simpler)
 - instead of the prior functions, we use iteration from iterative coordinates.
 - Lagrange property
 - piecewise linearity on the edges
 - non-negative
 - smooth
 - local maxima can be reduced by introducing an additional scaling step
 - gradient can be easily evaluated (chain rule)

Thank you!

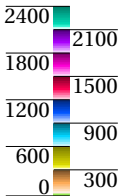
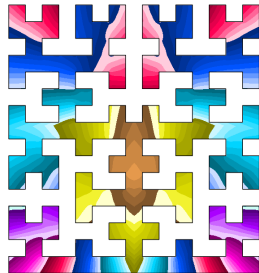
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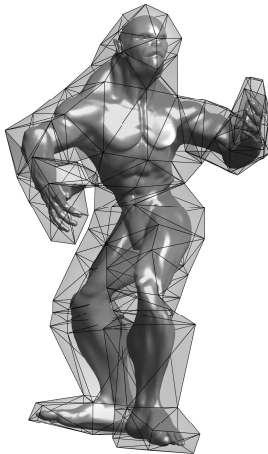
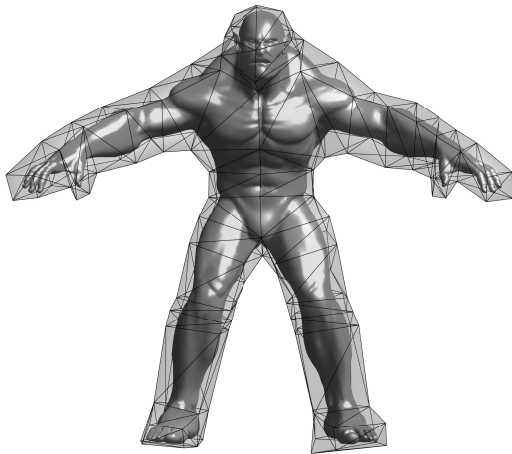
$(66, 128)$



$(258, 2139)$

Number of iterations required to get positive coordinates at the individual interior points of the (closed) Hilbert curves H_2 , H_3 , H_4 .

Appendix



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