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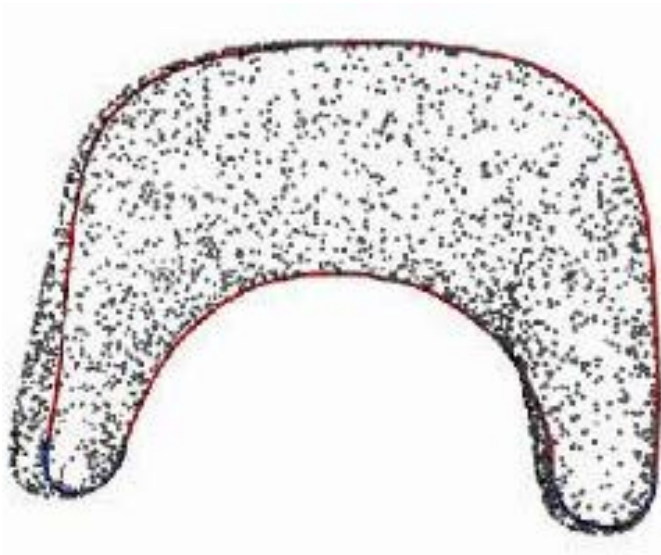
Construction of Manifolds via Compatible Sparse Representations

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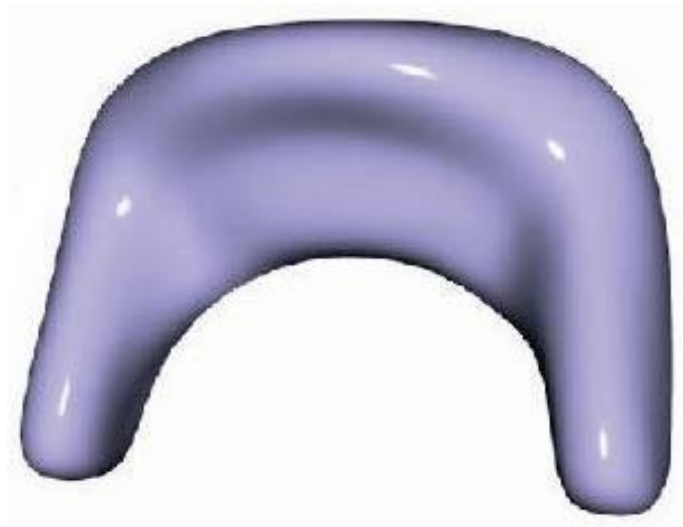
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Problem: Fitting Data with Smooth Surface



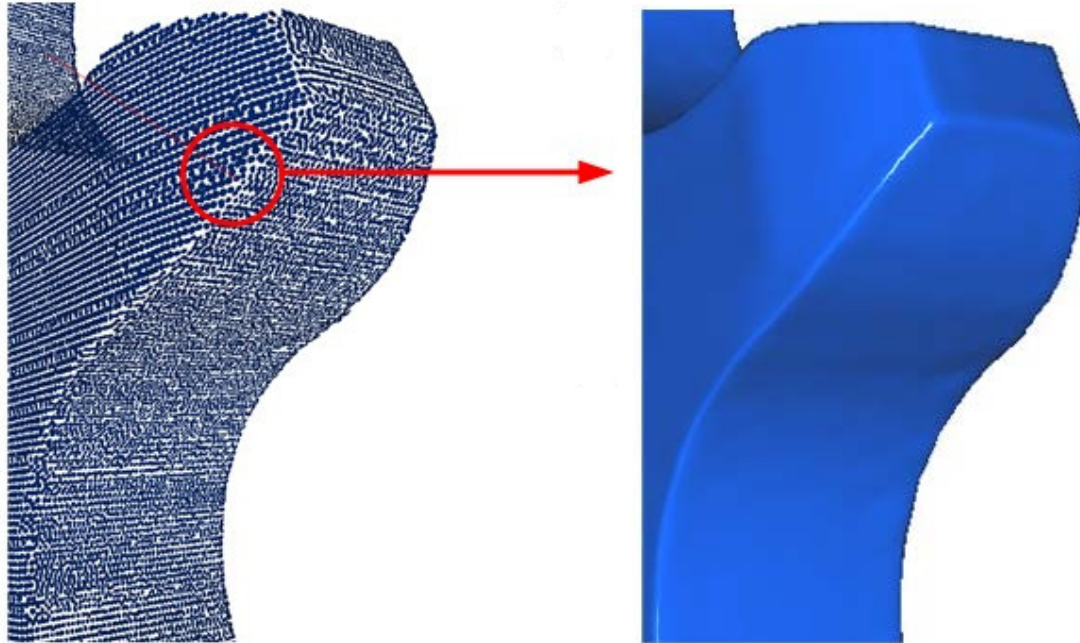
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A Smooth Surface

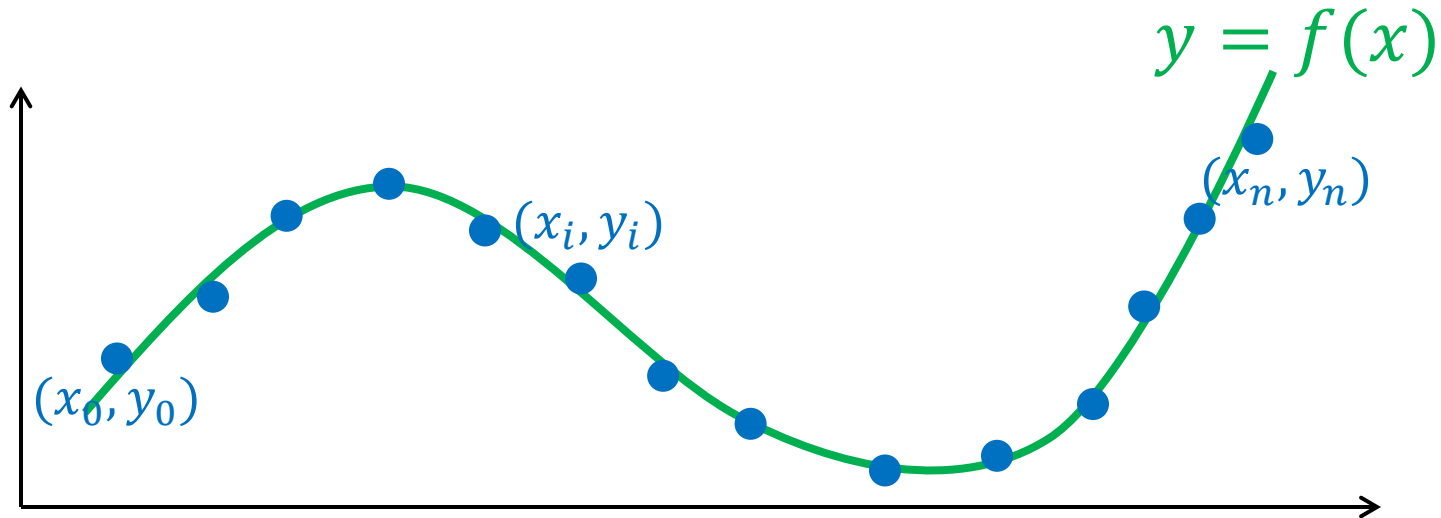
Problem: Fitting Data with Smooth Surface

- Challenging: capturing sharp features



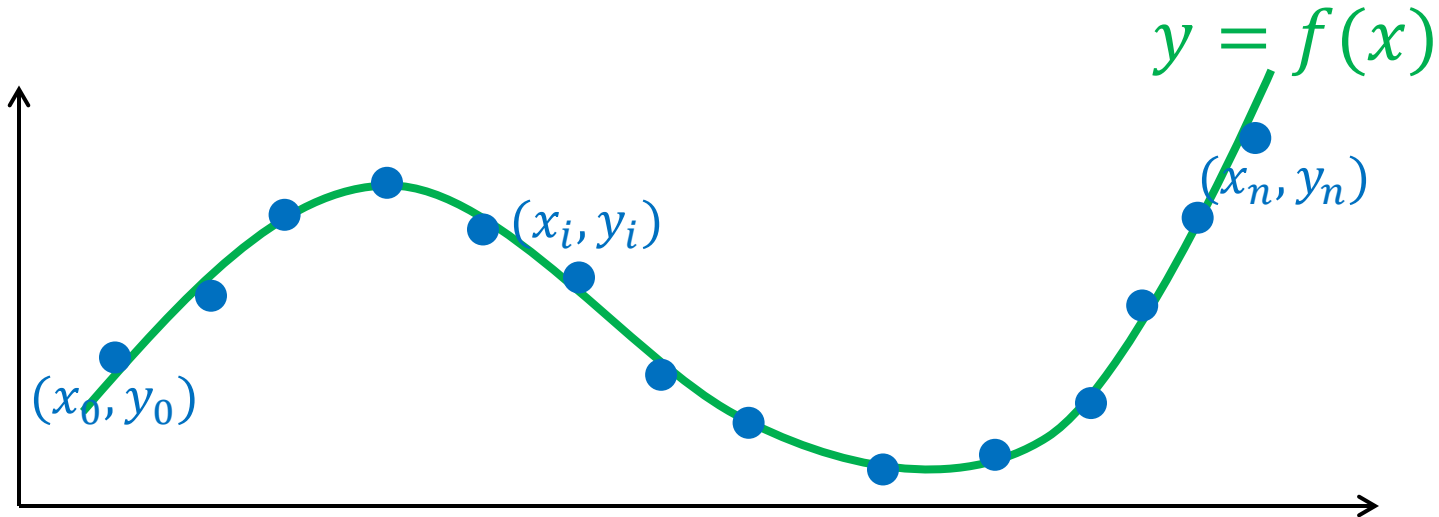
Problem: Data Fitting

- **Input:** A set of points $(x_i, y_i), i = 0, \dots, n$
- **Output:** A function which fits the point set



Data Fitting: What Function?

- What type of functions for $f(x)$?



Data Fitting: Function Space

- Assuming: **basis** functions $\{b_i(x), i = 0, \dots, m\}$
- Finding a member in a family of functions:

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^m \alpha_k b_k(x)$$

i.e., representing $f(x)$ as a (coefficient) **point** $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ in R^{m+1}

↔ Finding optimal $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ by minimizing the **fitting error**:

$$\min_{\alpha} (y_i - f(x_i))^2$$

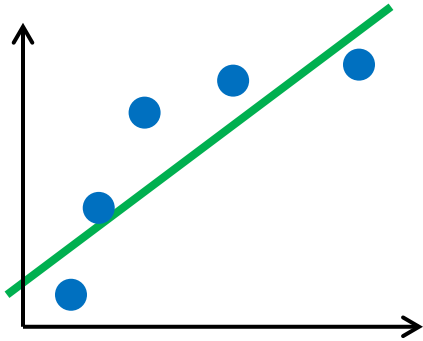
Data Fitting: Function Space

- Basis functions $\{b_i(x), i = 0, \dots, m\}$
 - Polynomial function basis $\{1, x, x^2, \dots, x^m\}$
 - Trigonometric function basis $\{1, \sin(x), \cos(x), \sin(2x), \cos(2x), \dots\}$
 - Exponential function basis $\{1, e^x, e^{2x}, \dots, e^{mx}\}$
 - ...
- If we choose enough number of basis ($m = n$), the fitting error can be 0!
 - the fitting function $f(x)$ is an **interpolation**

But...

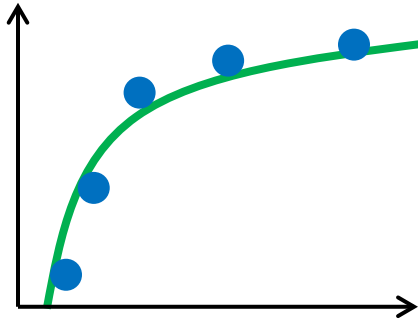
Overfitting Problem

- How to choose appropriate number of basis?



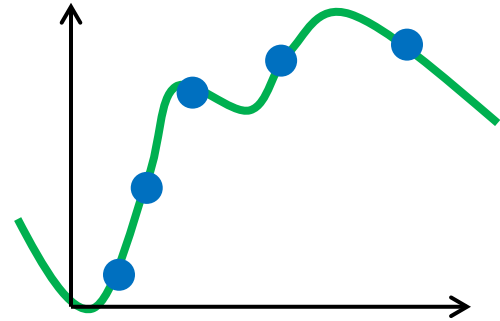
$$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x$$

High bias
(underfitting)



$$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2$$

“Just right”



$$\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x + \alpha_2 x^2 + \alpha_3 x^3 + \alpha_4 x^4$$

High variance
(overfitting)

Sparse Representation

- An **over-complete** dictionary (**atom functions**)
 - Finding a ‘best’ fit from larger family of functions
- Choose as least number of basis as possible
 - most of the elements of $\alpha = (\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$ are 0
 - i.e., $\|\alpha\|_0$ (**number of non-zero elements**) is less than some threshold δ

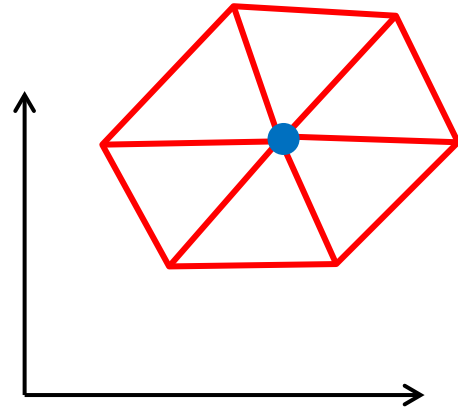
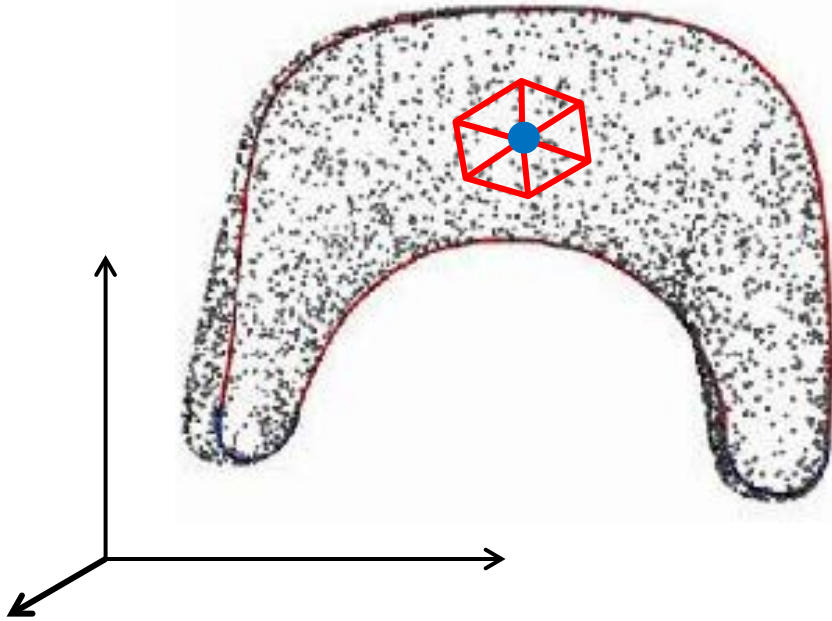
$$\min_{\alpha} (y_i - f(x_i))^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} &\min_{\alpha} (y_i - f(x_i))^2 \\ &\text{s.t. } \|\alpha\|_0 \leq \delta \end{aligned}$$

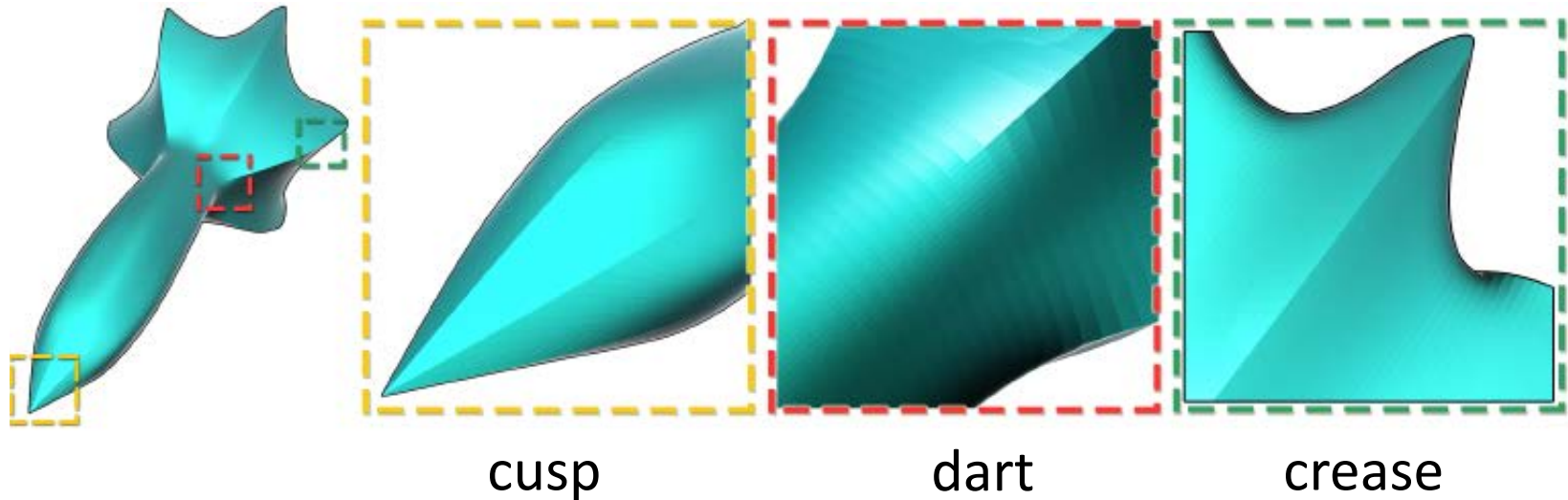
3D Surface Case

Parameterization of Local Patch



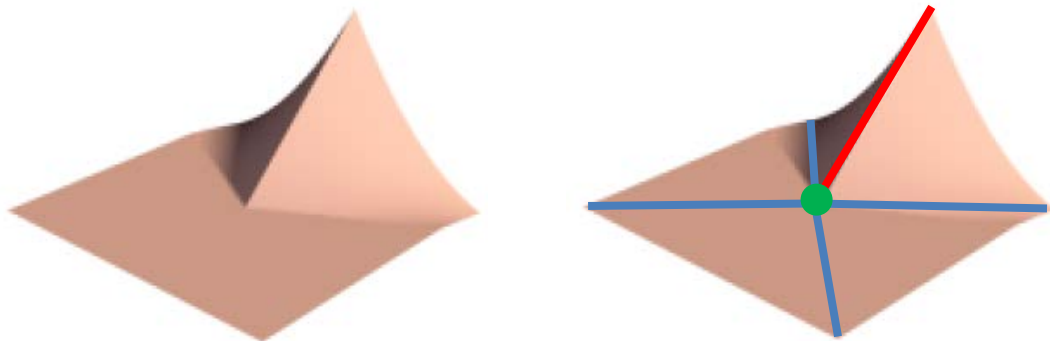
Representing Sharp Features?

- Smooth functions cannot represent C^0 sharp features



Idea: C^0 Atom Functions

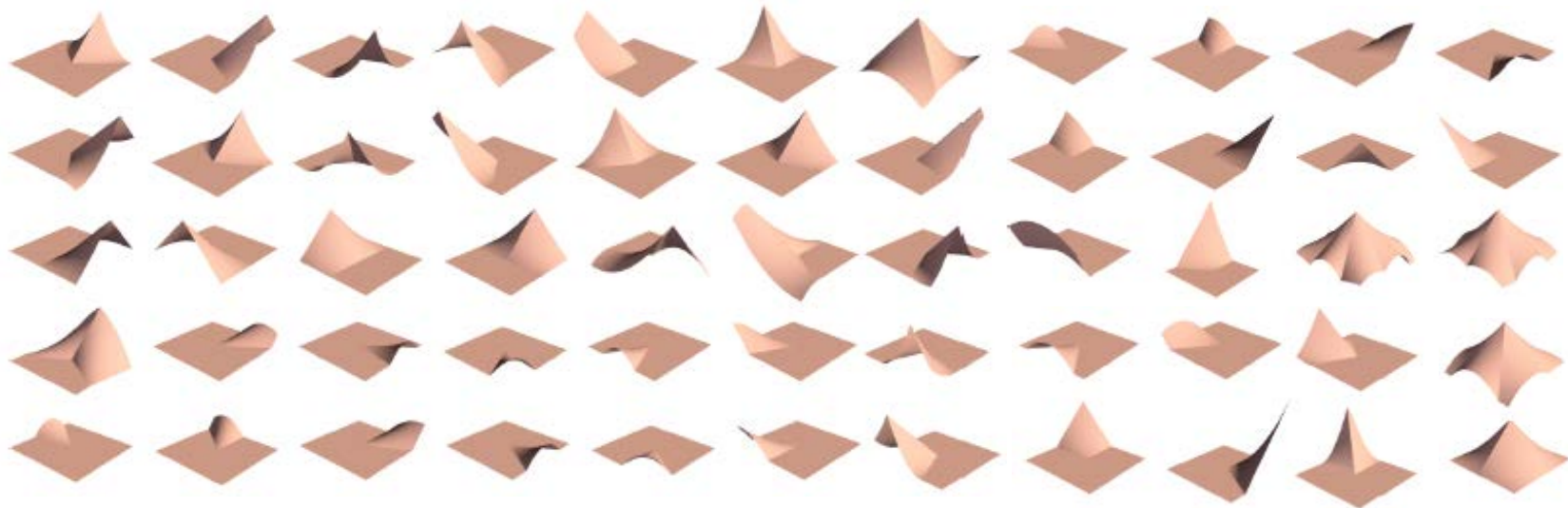
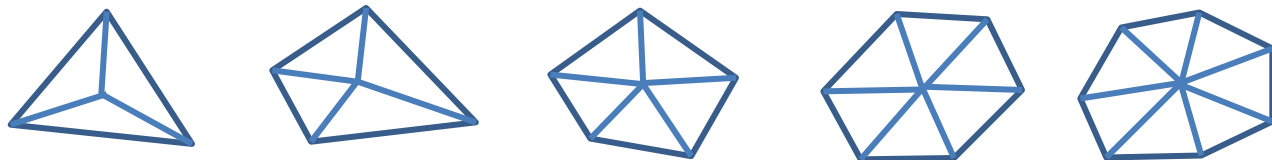
- Introduce C^0 atom functions in the dictionary
 - Shape functions representing non-smooth finite elements in FEM
- Each atom function
 - A bilinear quadrilateral element shape function defined on **one edge**



A C^0 atom function defined on the edge (in red) of a vertex (in green) with valence 5

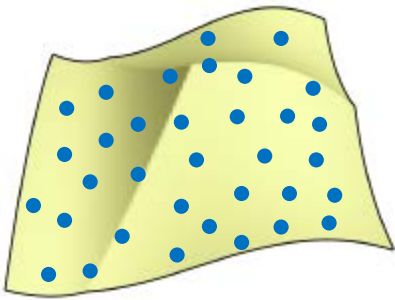
C^0 Atom Functions

- A total of 55 shape functions for vertices with valence 3-7
 - Add more atom functions for vertices with valence > 7

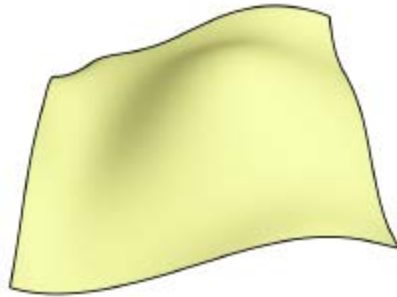


Dictionary: Total Atom Functions

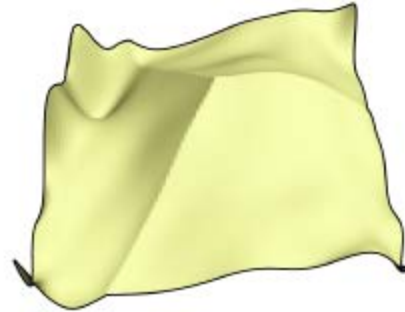
- 120 polynomial functions with degree up to 14
- 55 C^0 atom functions



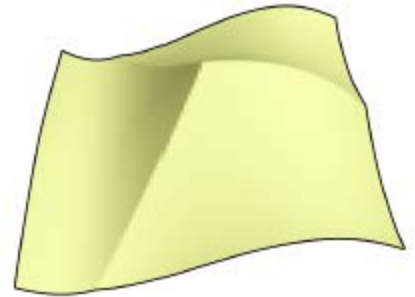
A patch with
sharp features



Underfitting



Overfitting

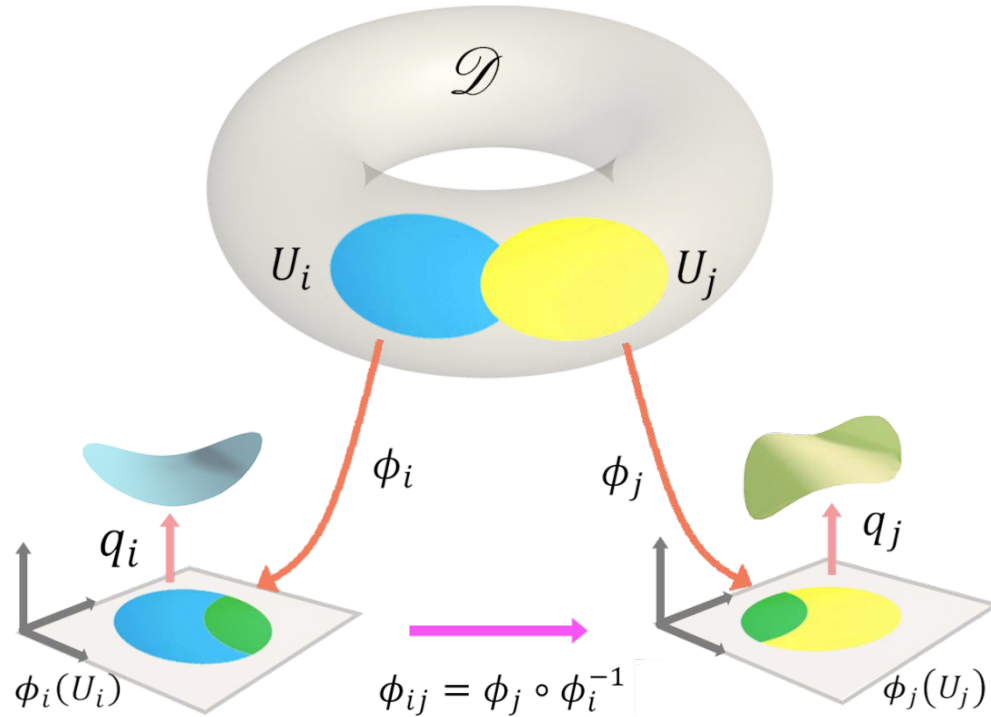


Result by
sparse fitting

How to stitch local patches?

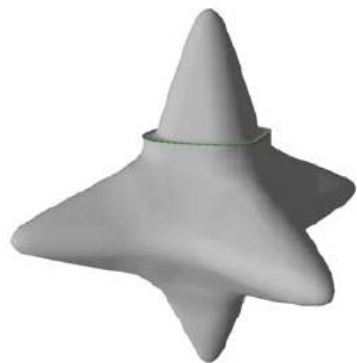
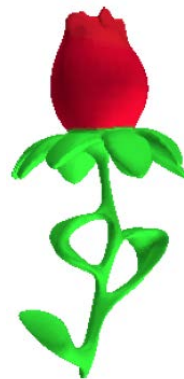
Manifold

Manifold Representation



Previous Works on Manifold Construction

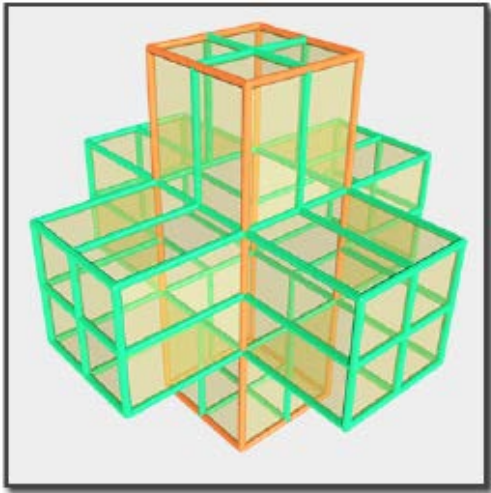
- [Grimm and Hughes 1995]
- [Ying and Zorin 2004]
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- [Tosun and Zorin 2011]
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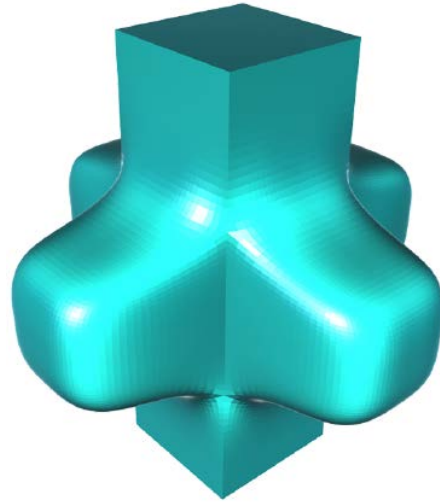
Application 1: Approximating Subdivision Surface

Problem

- Construct manifolds to approximate subdivision surfaces with sharp features
 - Orange lines are specified as sharp features

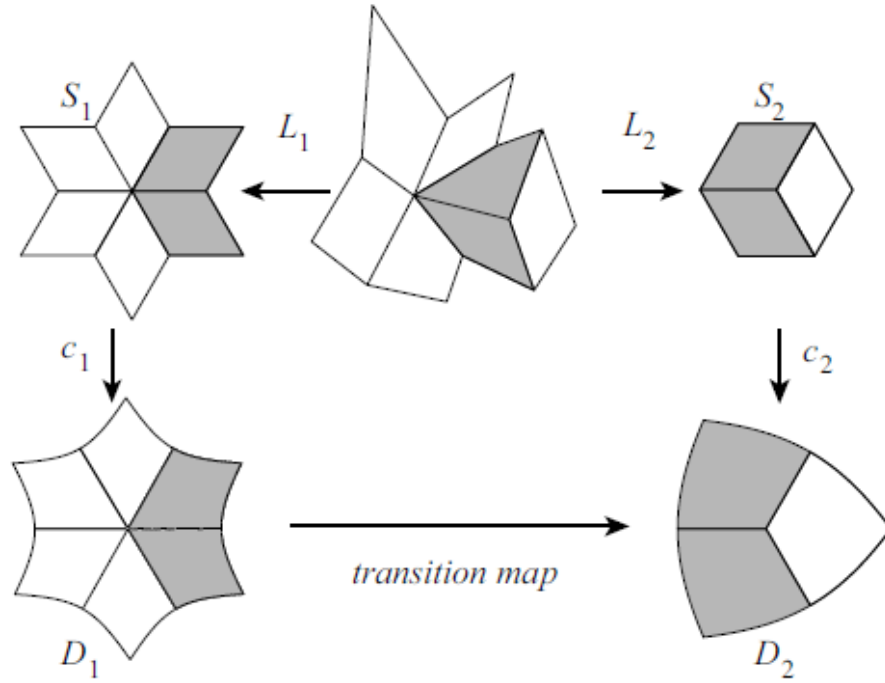


Input Mesh



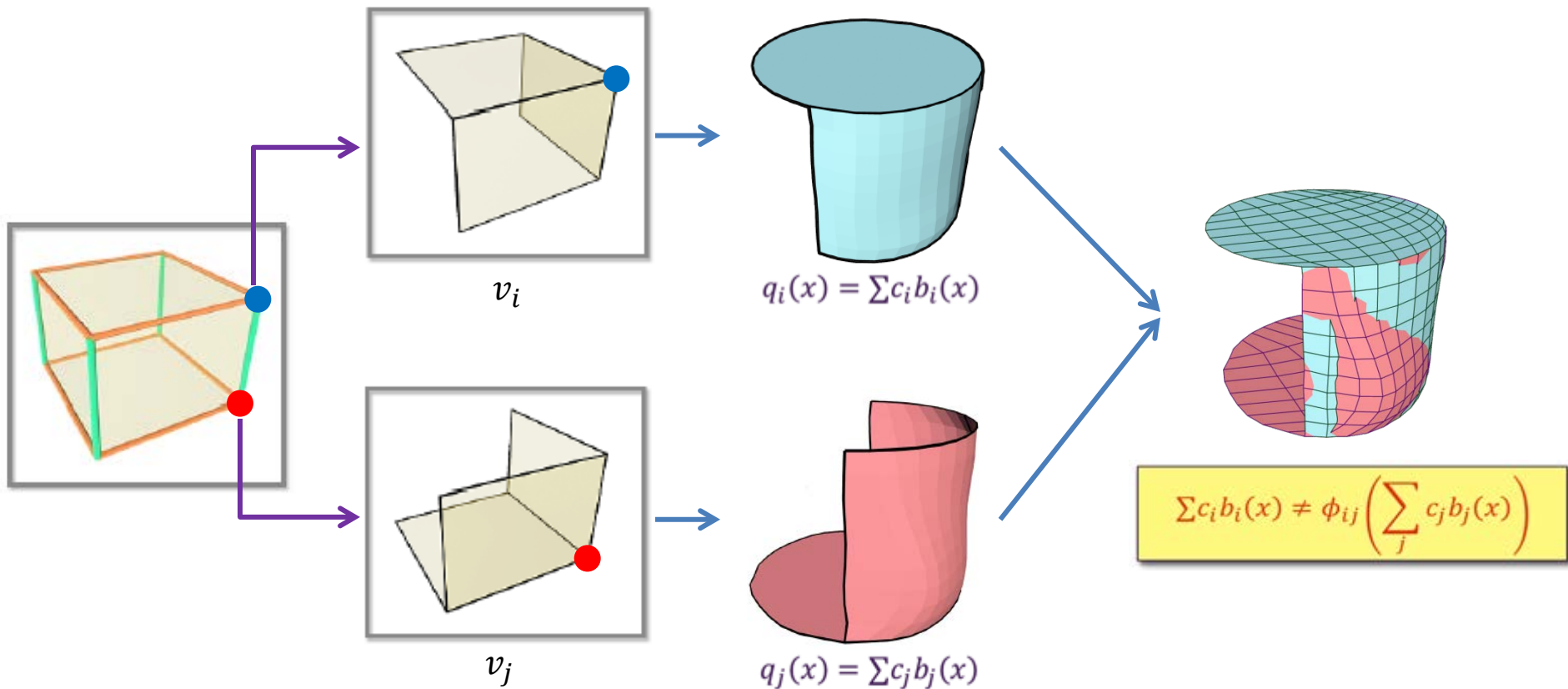
Manifold Surface

Construction of the Charts

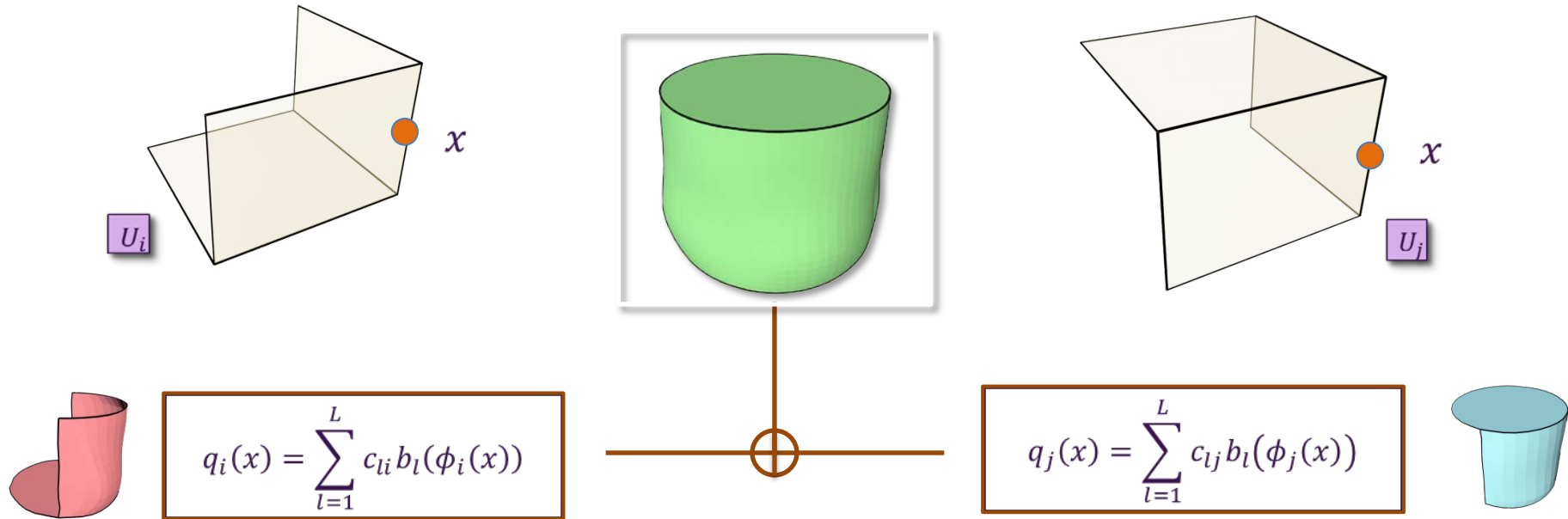


[Ying and Zorin 2004]

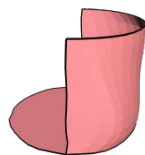
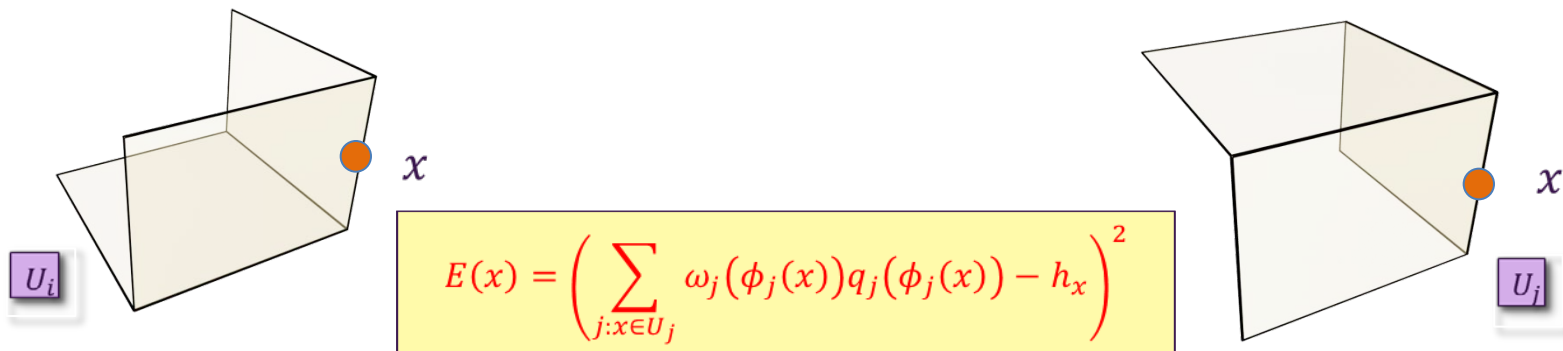
Incompatible Local Patches



Global Fitting Error



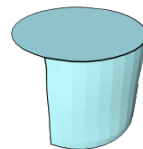
Global Fitting Error



$$q_i(x) = \sum_{l=1}^L c_{li} b_l(\phi_i(x))$$



$$q_j(x) = \sum_{l=1}^L c_{lj} b_l(\phi_j(x))$$



Optimization Solver

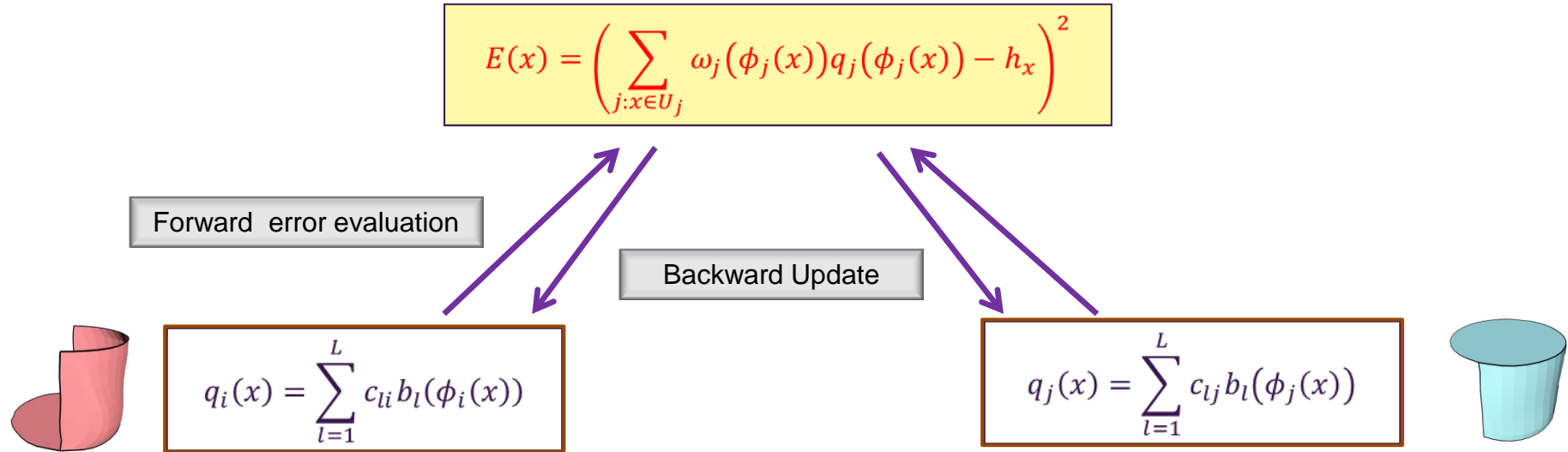
$$E(x) = \left(\sum_{j: x \in U_j} \omega_j(\phi_j(x)) q_j(\phi_j(x)) - h_x \right)^2$$

Forward error evaluation

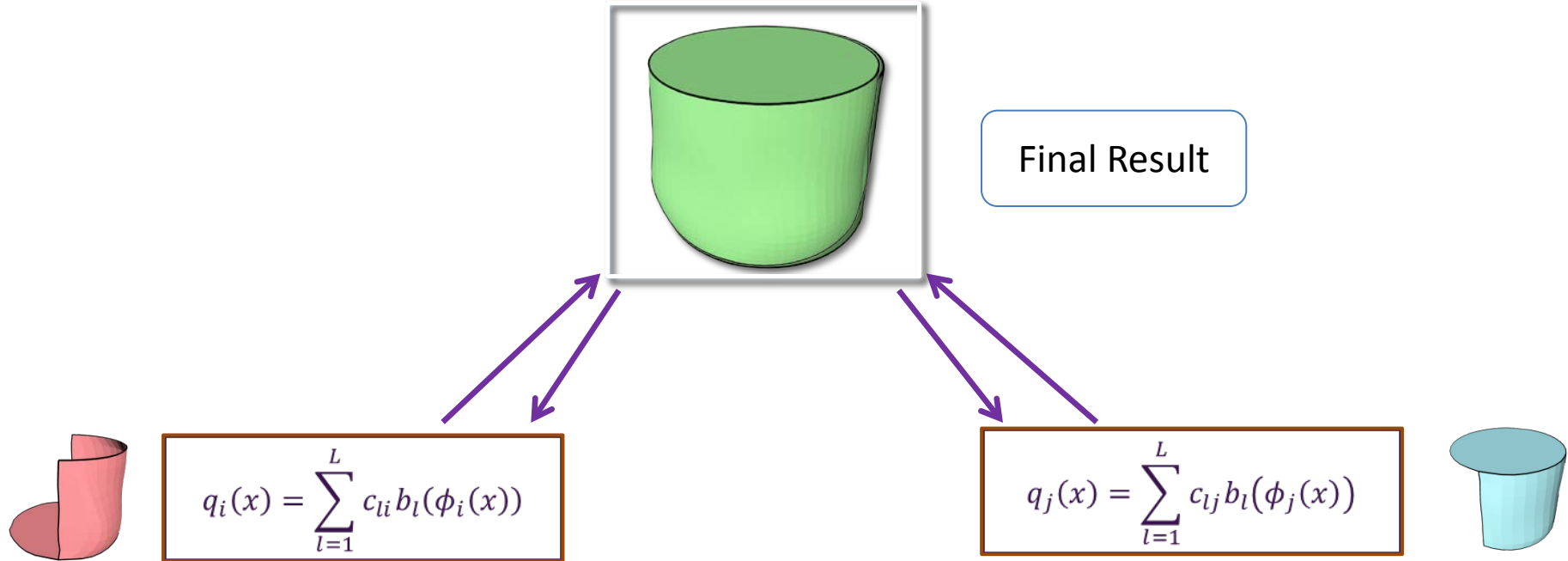

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Optimization Solver

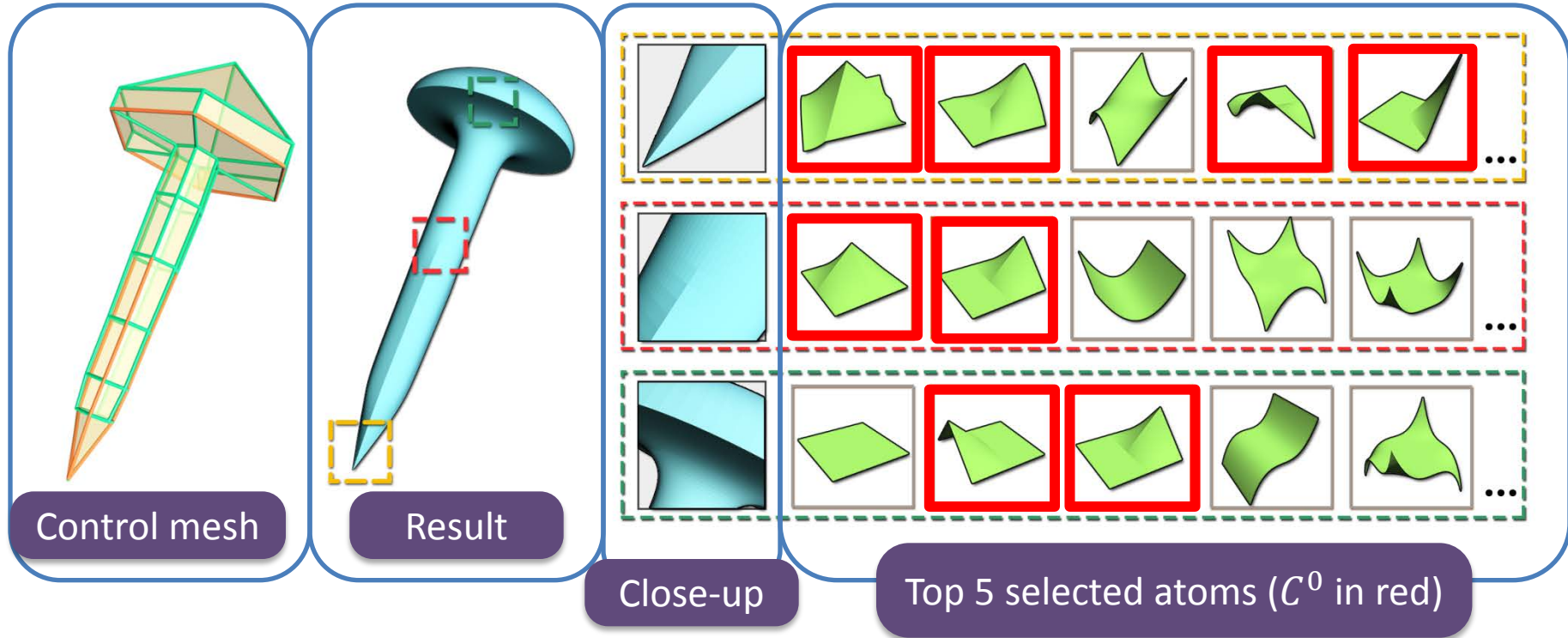


Optimization Solver

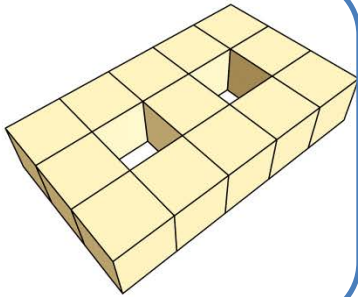


**Local sparse optimization and
Global sparse optimization iteratively**

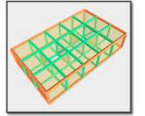
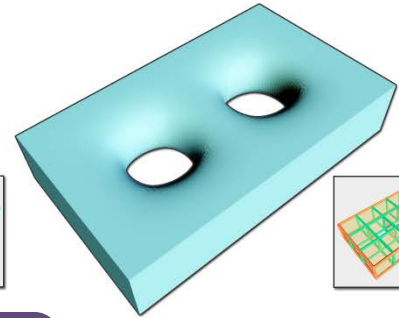
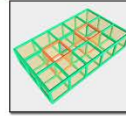
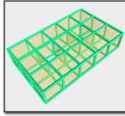
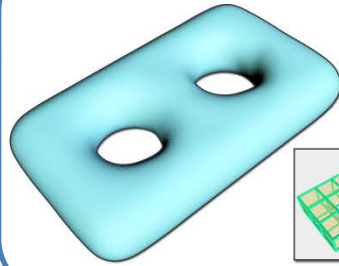
Example



Different Subdivision Rules

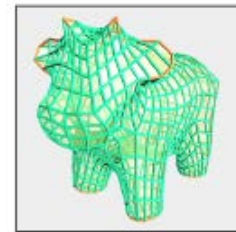
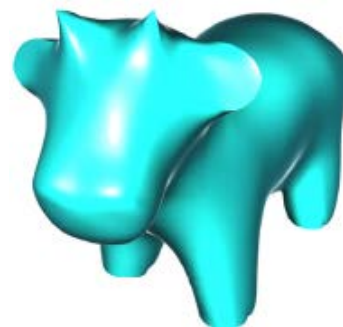
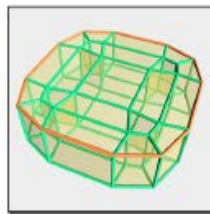
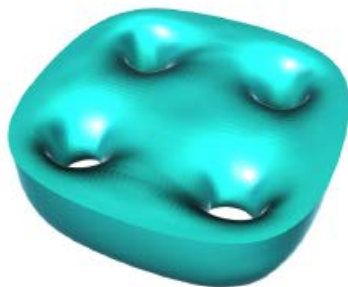
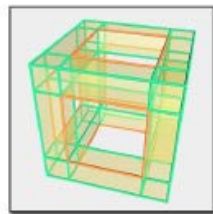
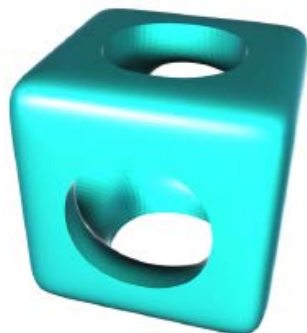
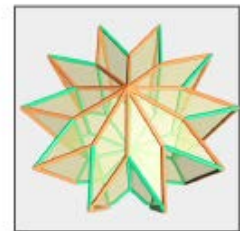
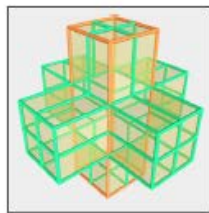
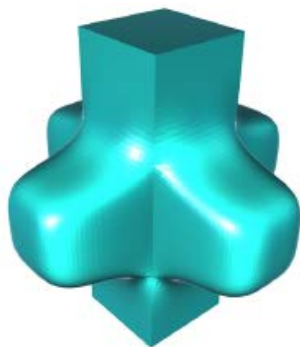
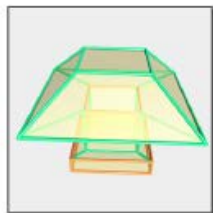
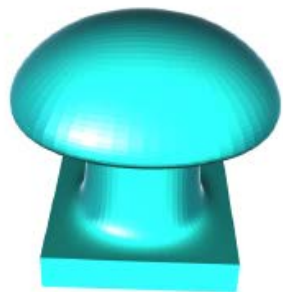


Control Mesh



Different Geometry

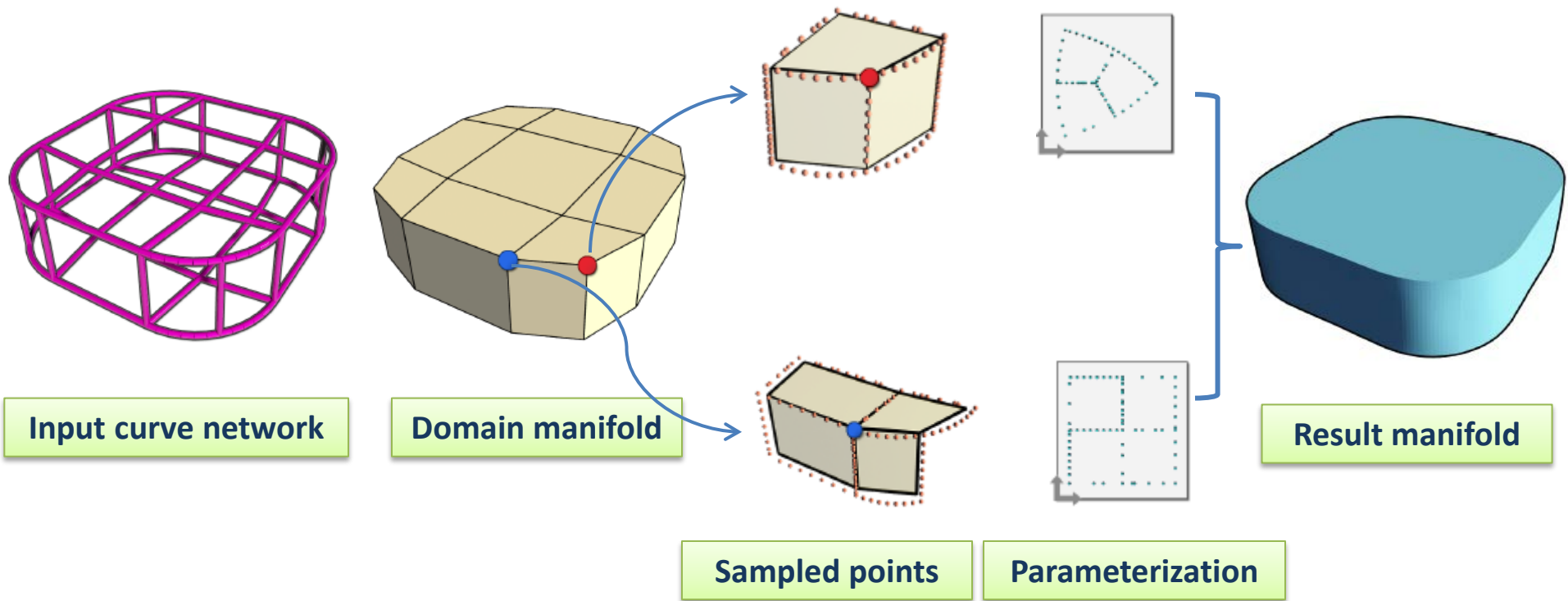
More Examples



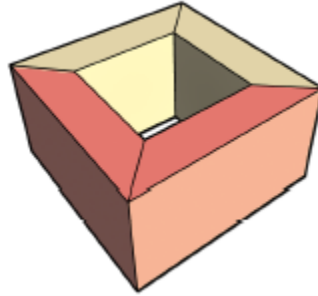
Application 2: Manifold from Curve Network



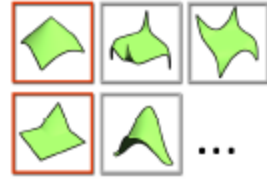
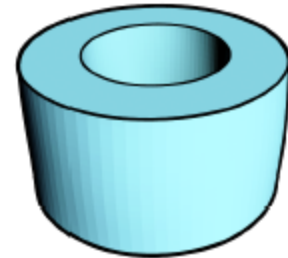
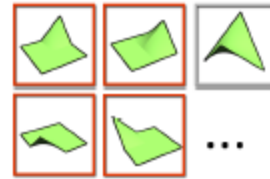
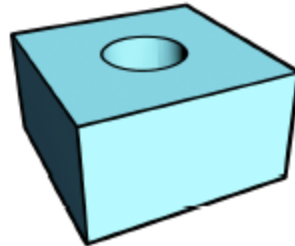
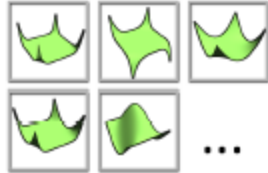
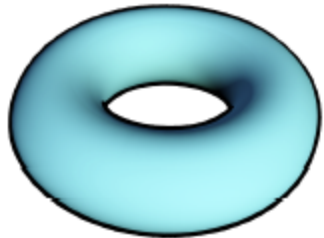
Sampling Points on Curves



Results

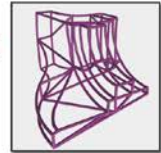
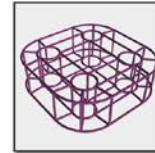
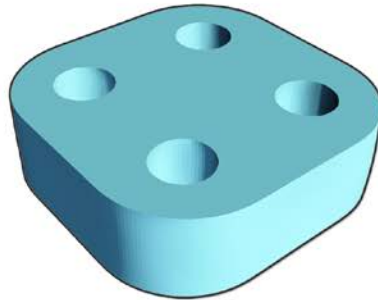
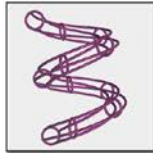
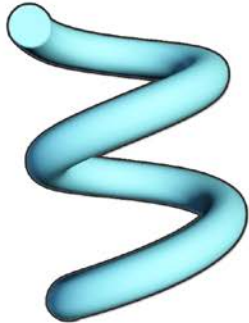
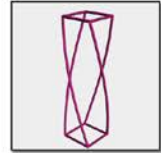
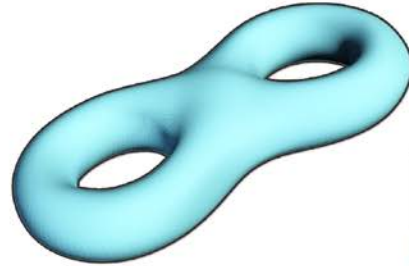
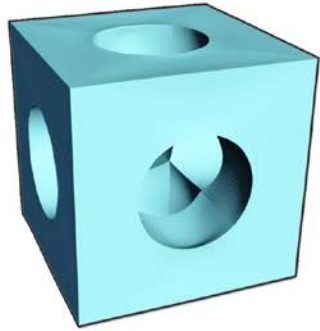


Domain mesh



Different manifold surfaces from different geometries

Results



Conclusions

- A novel manifold construction method
- Sparse representation for local geometry
- Global compatibility
- Representing sharp features

Future Work

- No guarantee to capture all geometric features
 - Learning geometry features
- Slow sparsity optimization
 - Speed up
- Other applications
 - Surface reconstruction, denoising, and compression

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