

D-Charts: Quasi-Developable Mesh Segmentation

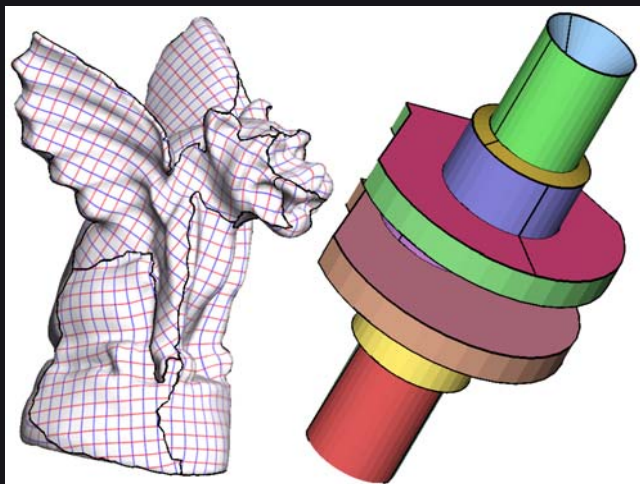
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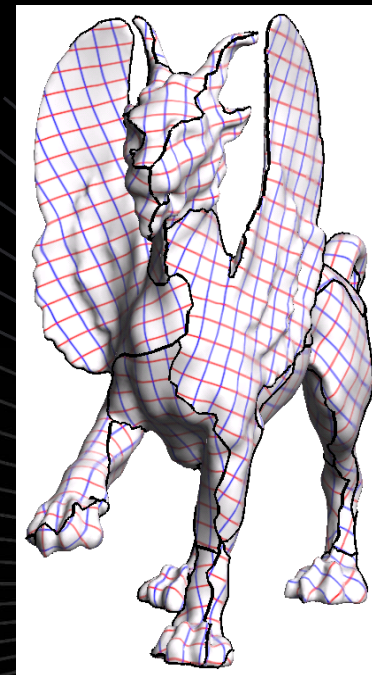
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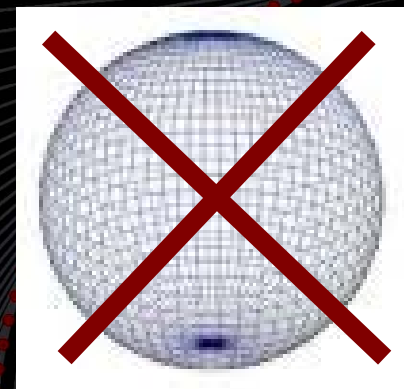
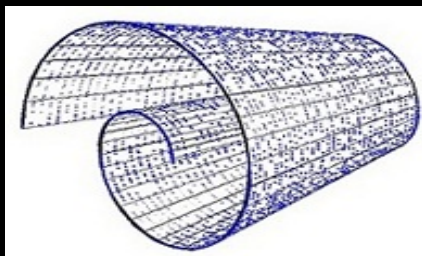
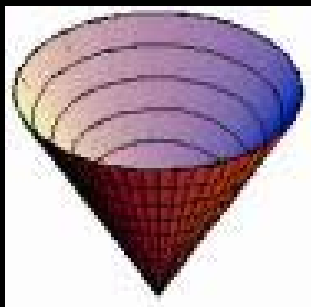
Motivation

- Mesh segmentation into compact charts that unfold with minimal distortion
- Applications
 - Parameterization for mapping
 - Textures, Bumps, BRDFs, displacement maps, etc.
 - Geometry Images
 - Patterns for sewing, metal forging
 - CAD
 - Reverse engineering
 - Surface reconstruction



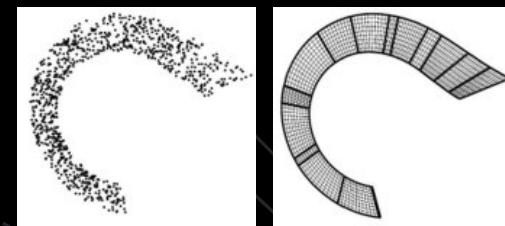
Developable surfaces

- Developable surfaces:
 - Surfaces that unfold onto the plane with zero distortion
 - Gaussian curvature is zero at every point
- Find a quasi-developable segmentation

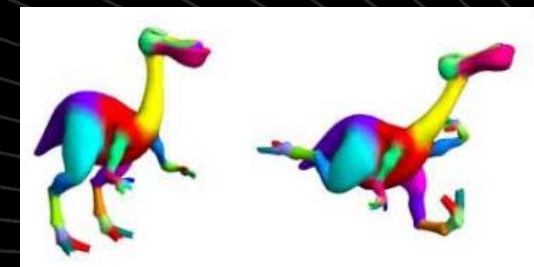


Previous work

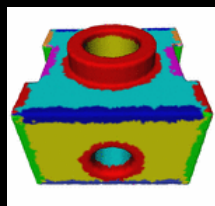
- Texture atlas generation
 - [Levy et al. '02], [Zhou et al. '04]
 - [Garland et al. '01], [Sander et al. '03] **Planar**
- Feature based
 - [Katz and Tal '03] **Not**
 - [Gelfand and Guibas '04] **developable**
- Patterns:
 - [McCartney et al. '99]
 - [Mitani and Suzuki '04] **Not compact**
- Developable surfaces
 - [Leopoldseder and Pottmann '98] **Not segmentation**
 - [Peternell '04]



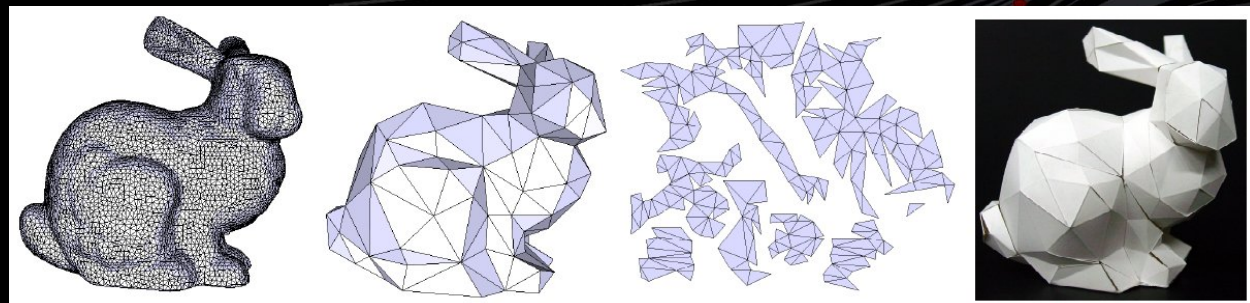
[Pottman et al. '01]



[Katz and Tal '03]



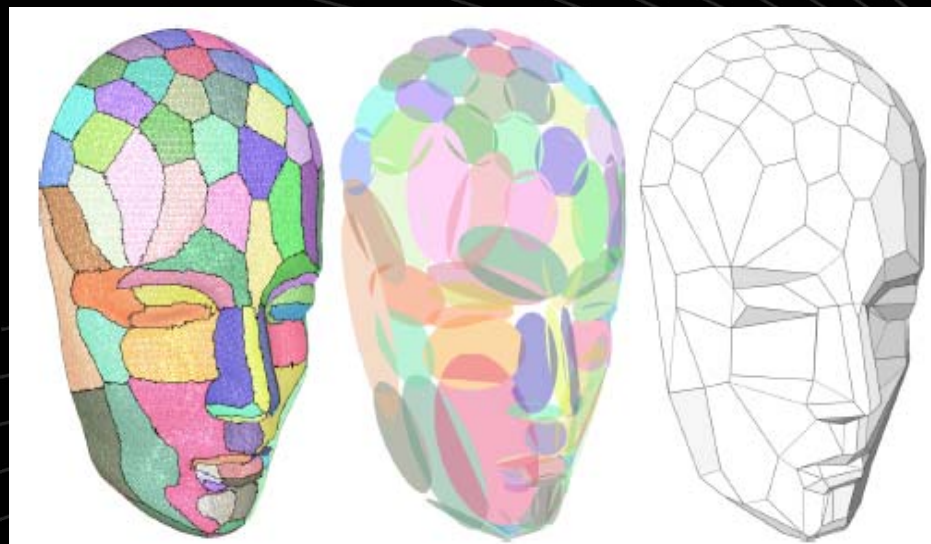
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[Mitani and Suzuki '04]

Lloyd based segmentation

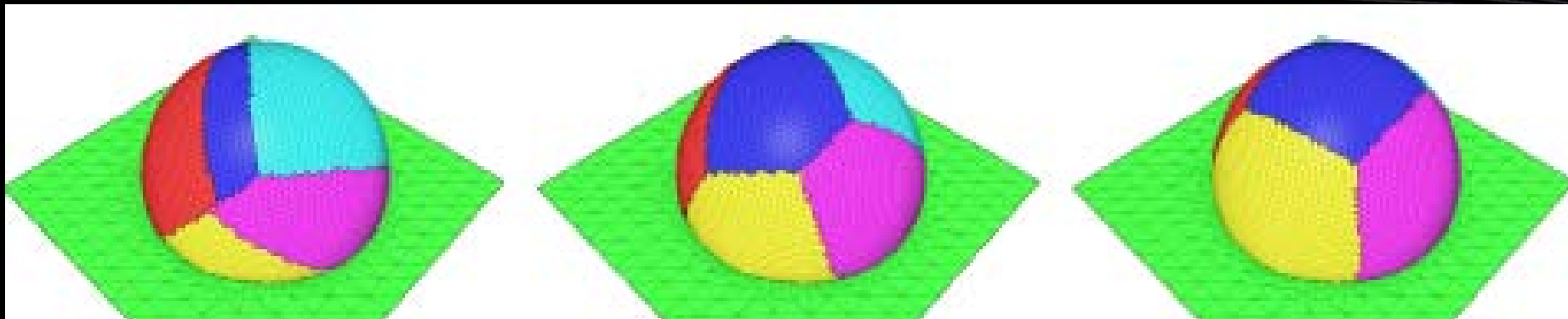
- We use Lloyd segmentation approach
- Introduced by [Cohen-Steiner et al. '04] - planar charts
- Various extensions presented at EG '05
- Charts represented by proxies:
 - Normal to plane
 - Seed triangle
- Challenges:
 - Developable proxies
 - Bound error



Lloyd based segmentation – Framework

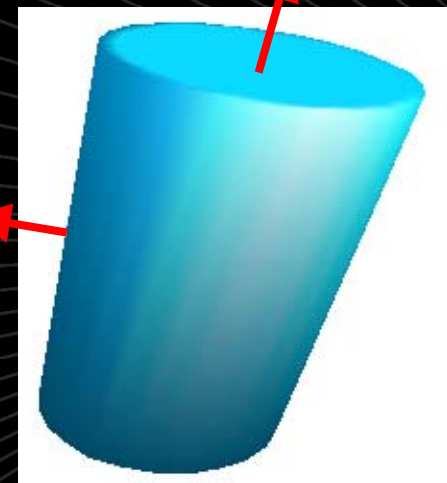
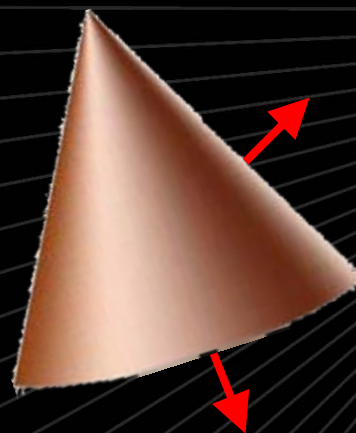
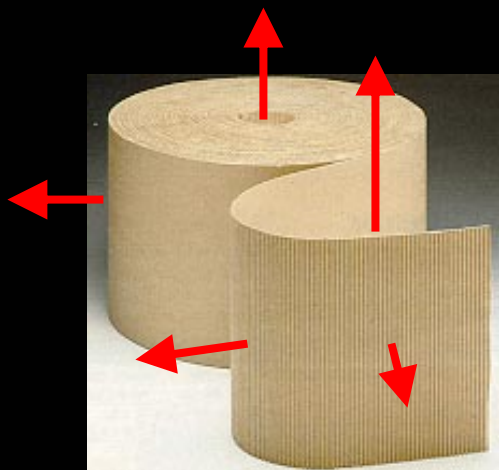


- Lloyd iterations:
 1. Select random triangles to act as seeds
 2. Grow charts around seeds using a greedy approach
 3. Find new proxy for each chart
 4. Repeat from step 2 until convergence



Developable surfaces of constant slope

- Developable surfaces – Hard to capture
 - Start with subset, broaden later
- Constant angle between surface normal and axis \rightarrow Developable chart
- Proxy: $\langle \text{axis, angle} \rangle \quad \langle N_c, \theta_c \rangle$



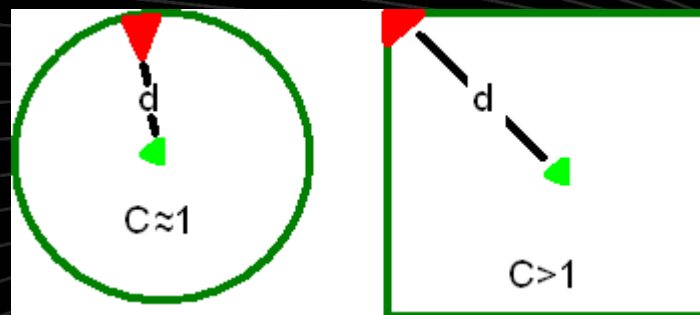
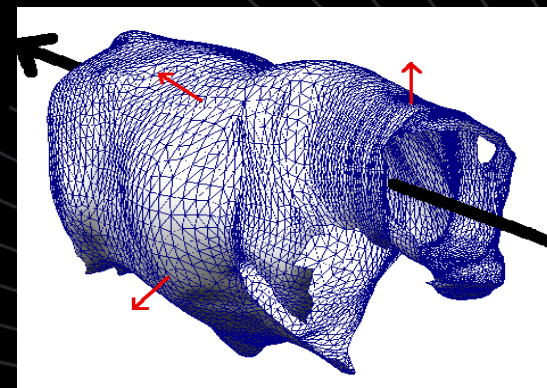
Fitting error

- Measures how well triangle fits a chart

$$F(C, t) = (N_C \cdot n_t - \cos \theta_C)^2$$

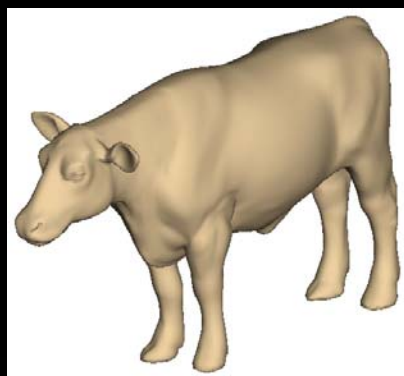
- Combine with compactness

$$C(C, t) = \pi \frac{D(S_c, t)^2}{A_C}$$

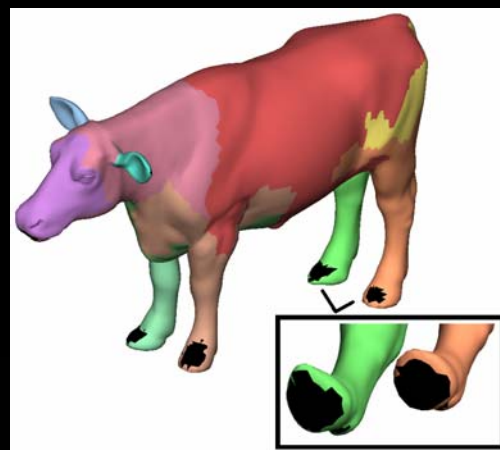


$$Cost(C, t) = A_t F(C, t)^\alpha C(C, t)^\beta$$

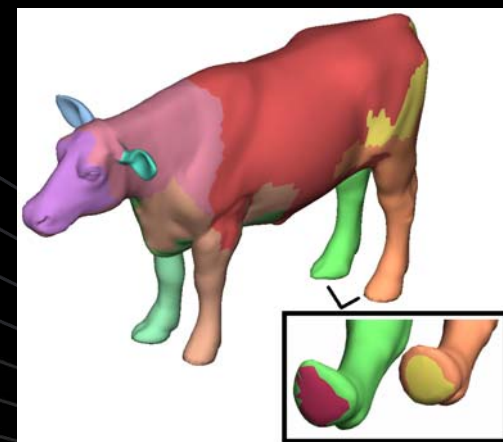
Algorithm overview



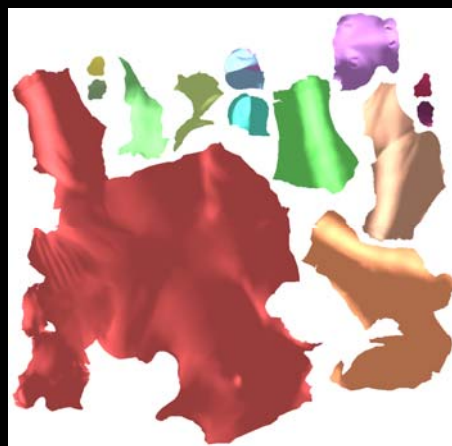
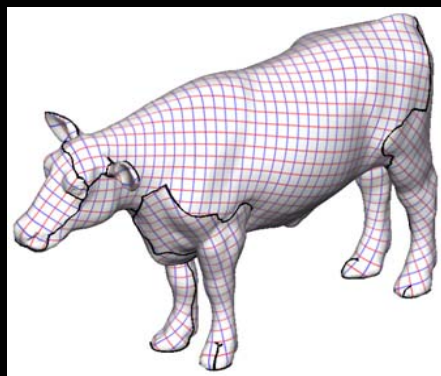
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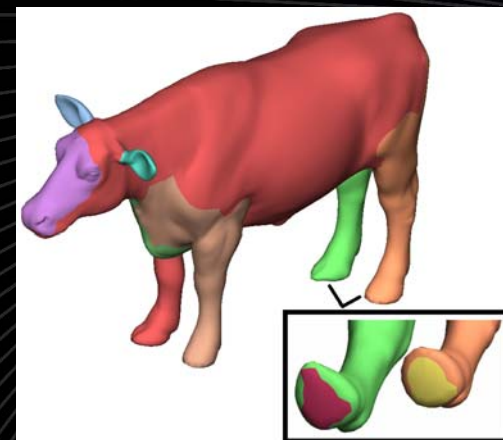
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Merging

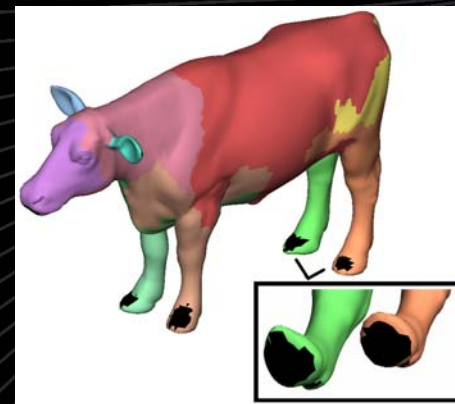
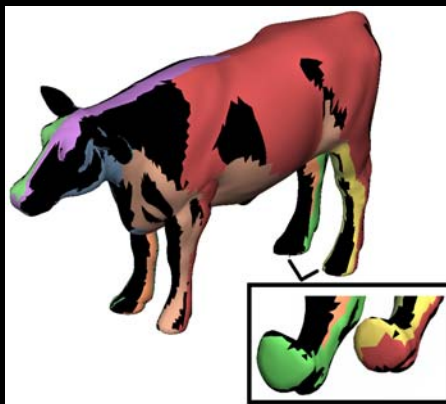
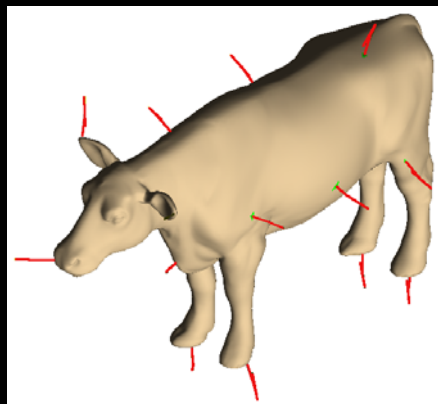


Post-Processing
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Parameterization



Bounded Lloyd iterations

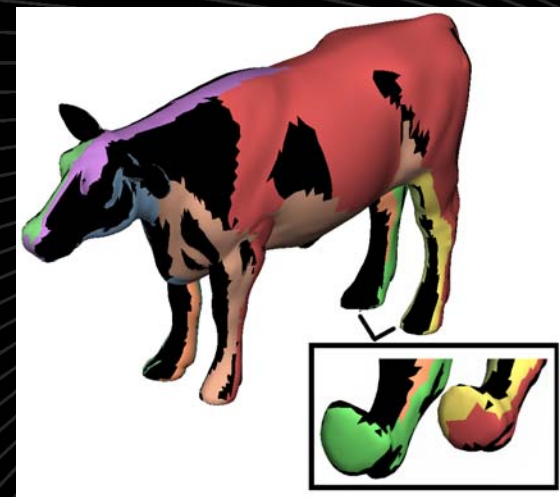
- Initialization
 - Random / Furthest point seeds
 - Compute initial proxy
- Bounded Growing/Reseeding iterations
- Termination



Bounded Lloyd iterations – Growing



- Use greedy approach
 - Prioritize by $Cost(C, t)$
- Bound *Fitting Error*
 - *Guarantee (nearly) developable charts*



Bound Lloyd iterations – Reseeding

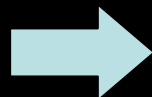
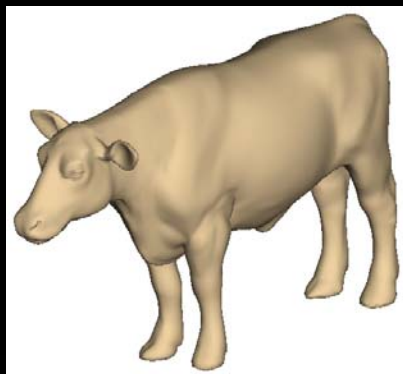


- Find new proxy

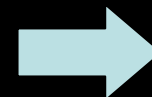
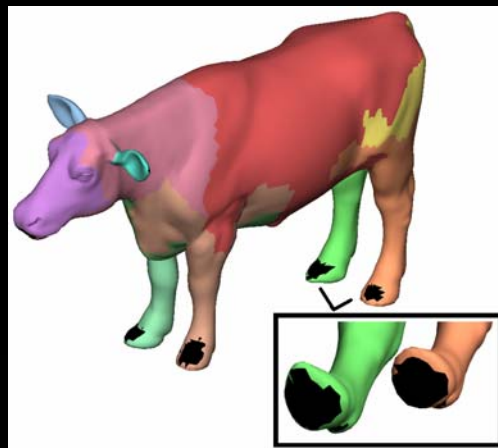
$$\min_{N_C, \theta_C} \frac{1}{A_C} \sum_{t \in C} A_t F(C, t) \text{ s.t. } \|N_C\| = 1$$

- Find new seed
 - Minimal *Fitting Error*
 - Close to center of chart

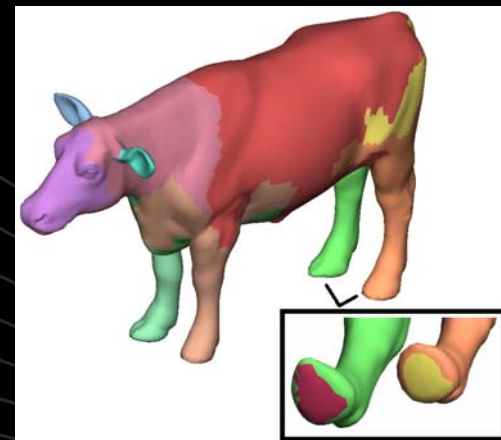
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Hole filling

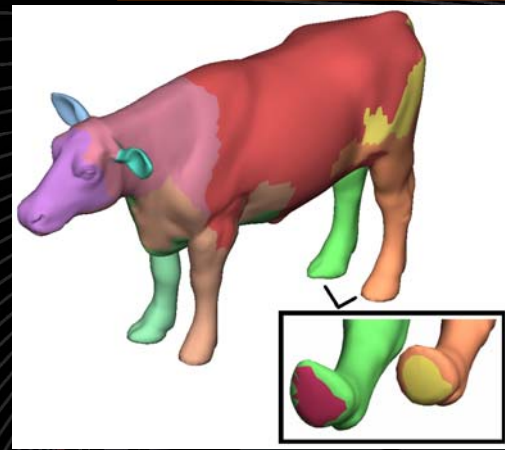
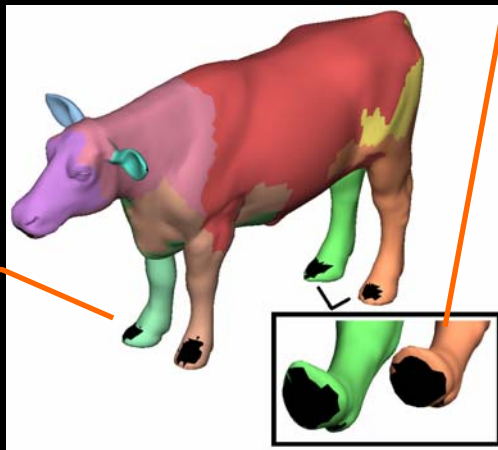
- Bound on *Fitting Error*
 ➔ *Unclassified triangles*

- Fill holes

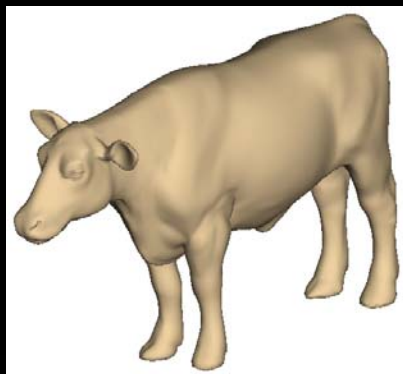
- Large holes ➔ New proxy
- Small holes ➔ Grow neighbors

Large

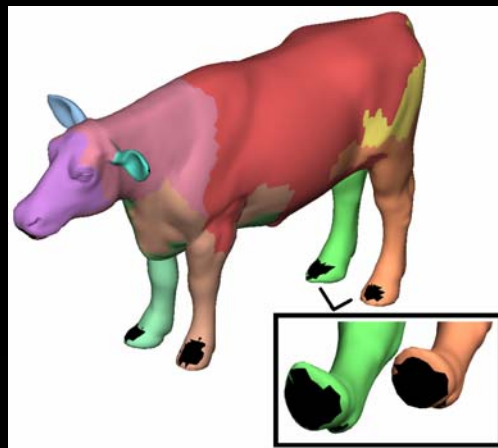
Small



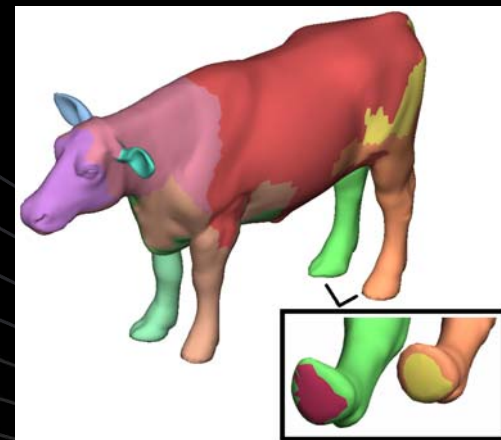
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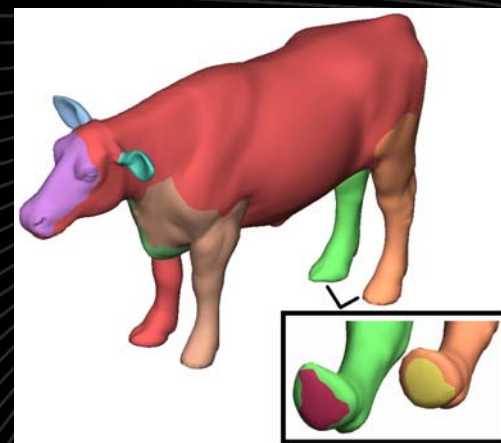
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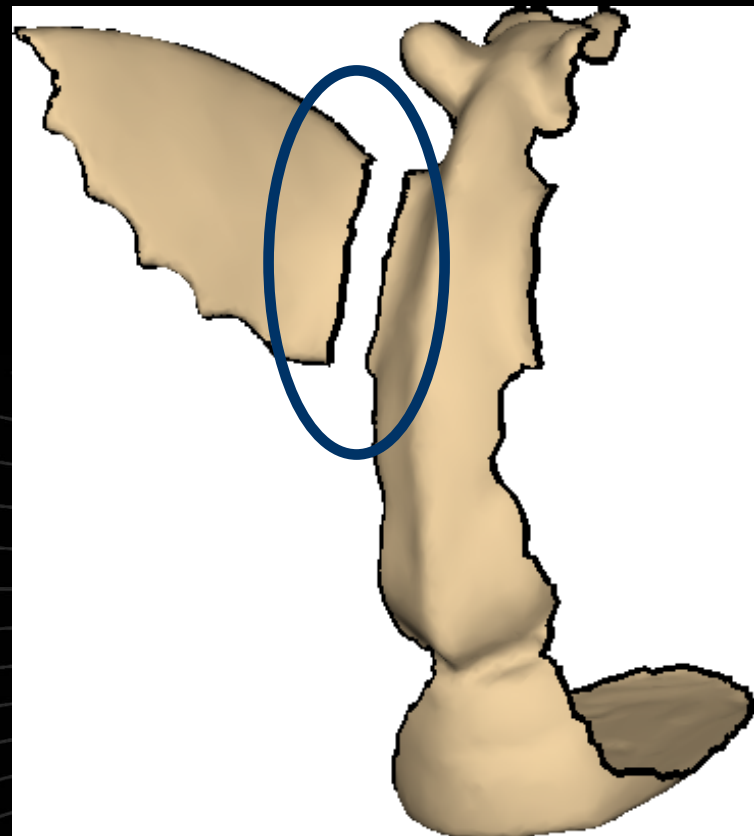


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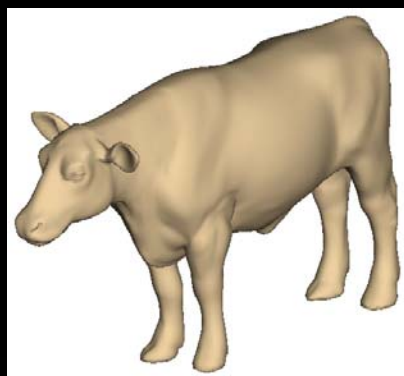


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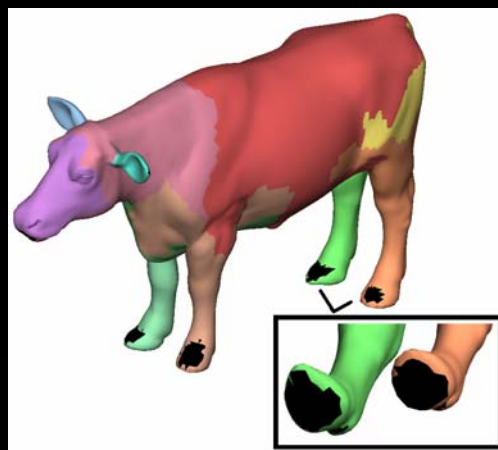
- Broaden set of captured developable surfaces
- Reduce number of charts



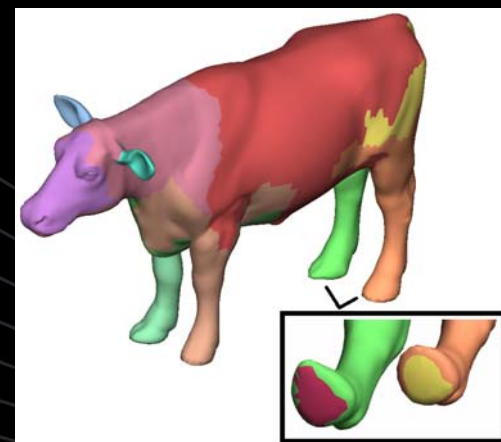
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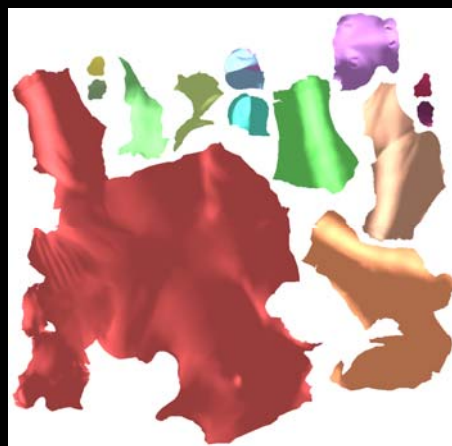
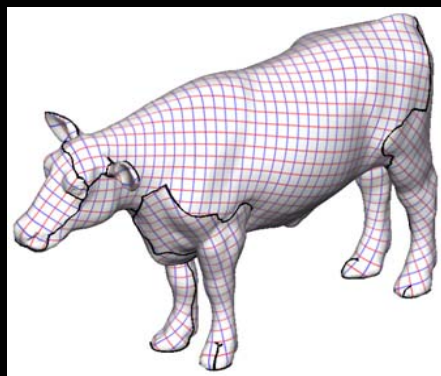
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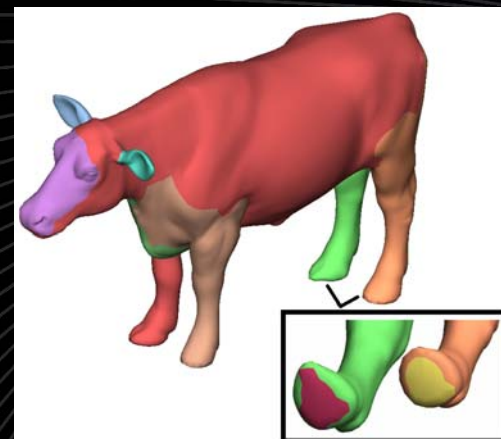
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Post processing

- Straighten boundaries
- Darts/Gussets relax stress
 - Add seams toward high error regions
- Verify disc topology
- Parameterization

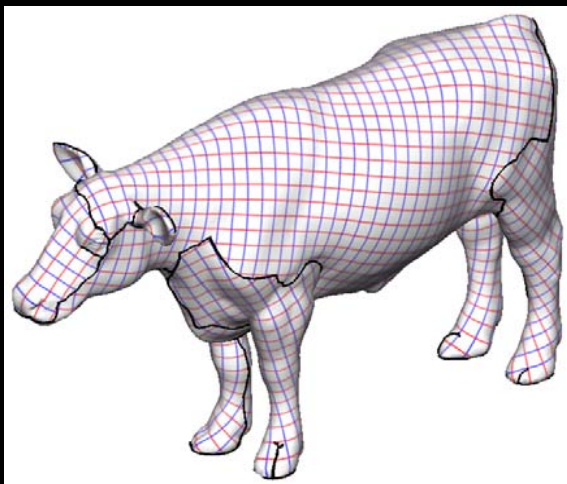
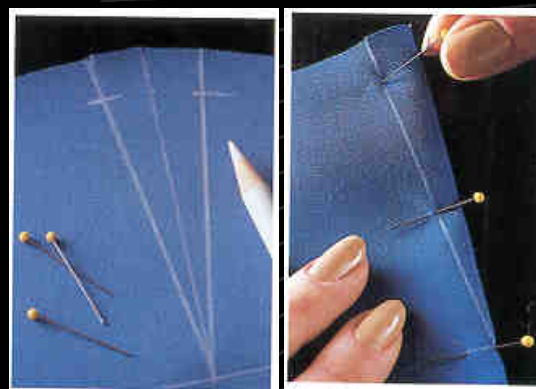
[Sander et al. '02] [Sheffer et al. '05]



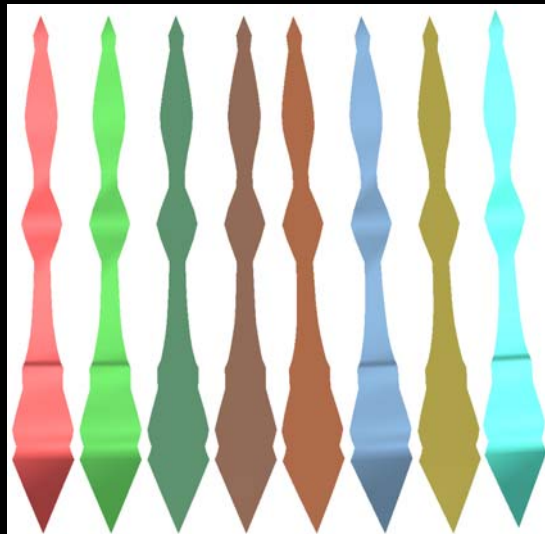
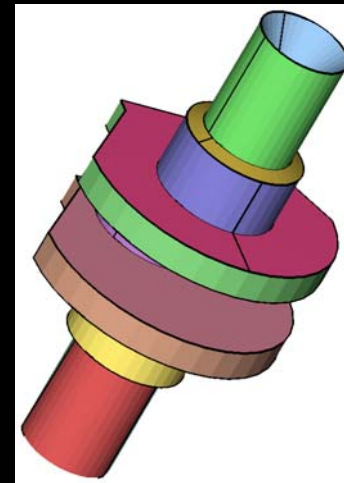
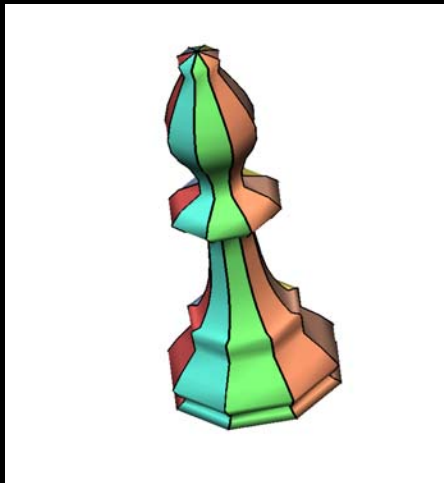
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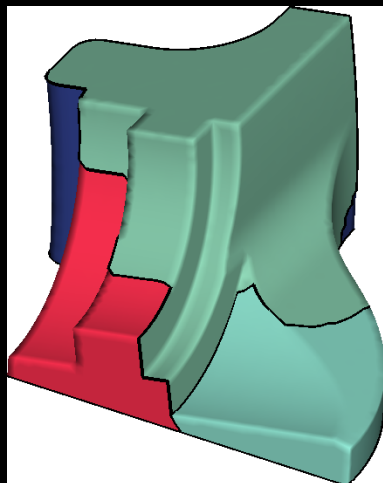
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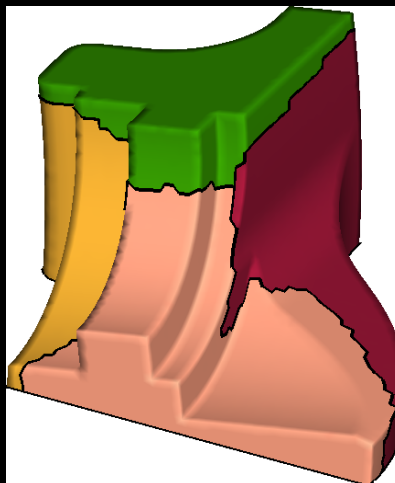


Example results – Fandisk



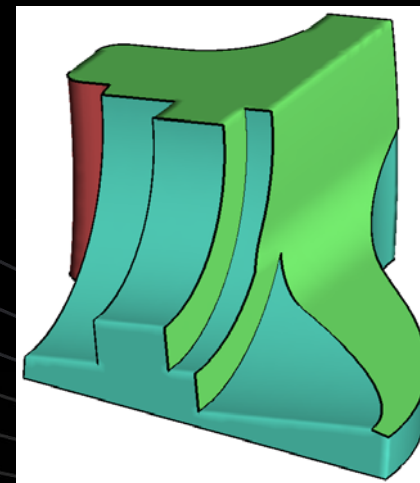
Iso-Charts,

[Zhou et al. '04]



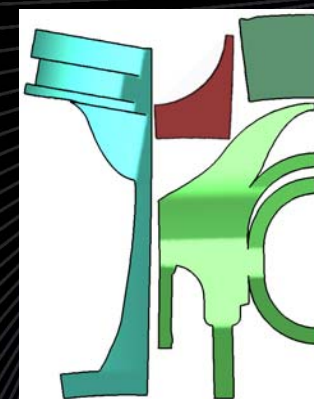
MCGIM,

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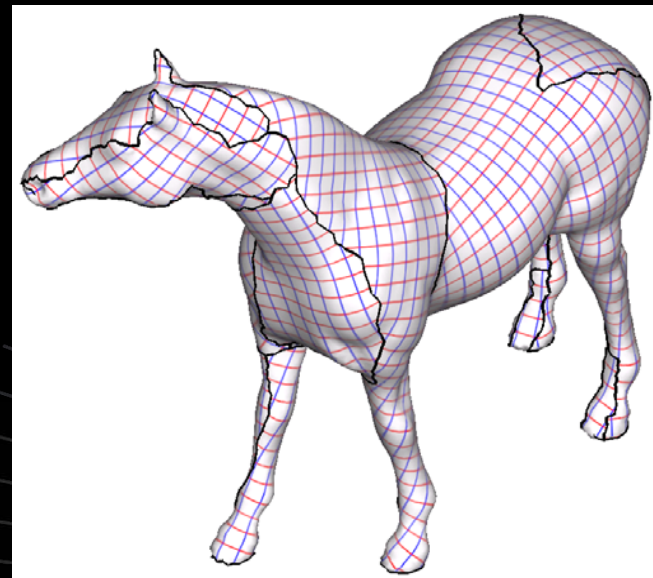
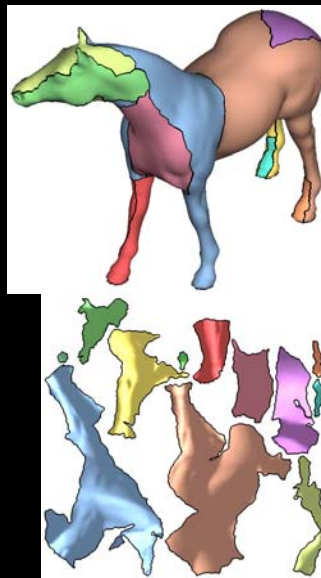
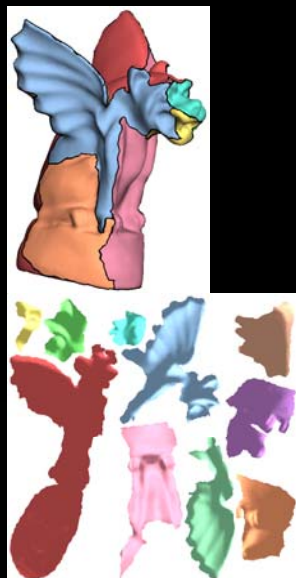
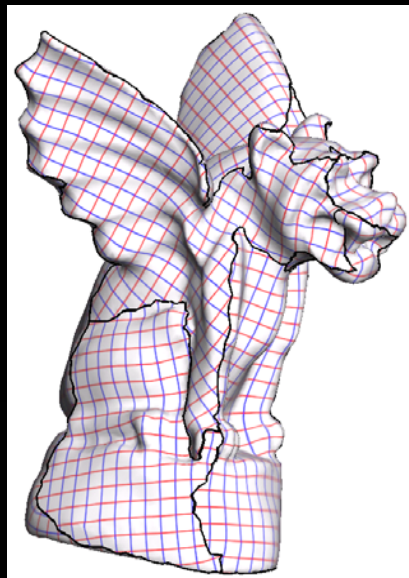


D-Charts

Fandisk	Iso-Charts	MCGIM	D-Charts
#Charts	4	5	4
L_2 Stretch	1.021	1.008	1.000
L_∞ Stretch	2.272	2.092	1.017
L_2 Shear	0.018	0.012	0.000



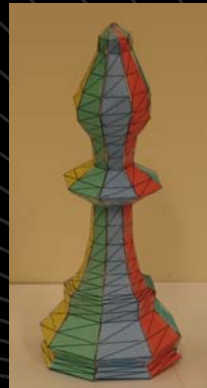
Example results – irregular meshes



Gargoyle	MCGIM	Iso-Charts	D-Charts
#Charts	10	11	10
L_2 Stretch	1.009	1.019	1.006
L_∞ Stretch	2.221	2.153	1.645
L_2 Shear	0.011	0.022	0.008

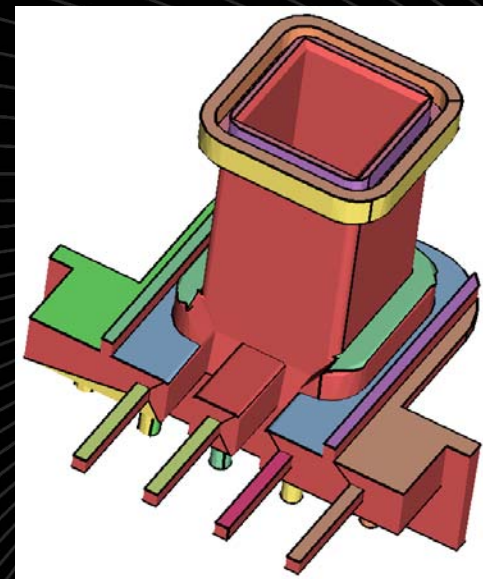
Horse	MCGIM	Iso-Charts	D-Charts
#Charts	15	13	12
L_2 Stretch	1.014	1.035	1.01
L_∞ Stretch	2.803	2.766	2.315
L_2 Shear	0.014	0.038	0.001

Soft and paper-craft toys



Summary

- Segment mesh into nearly developable charts
- A simple metric of developability for surface charts – *The Fitting Error*
- Use bounded Lloyd iterations
- Use Holes / Merging to correct no. of charts



Thank you

