

Delaunay Graphs and their applications to Computer Graphics and Image Analysis

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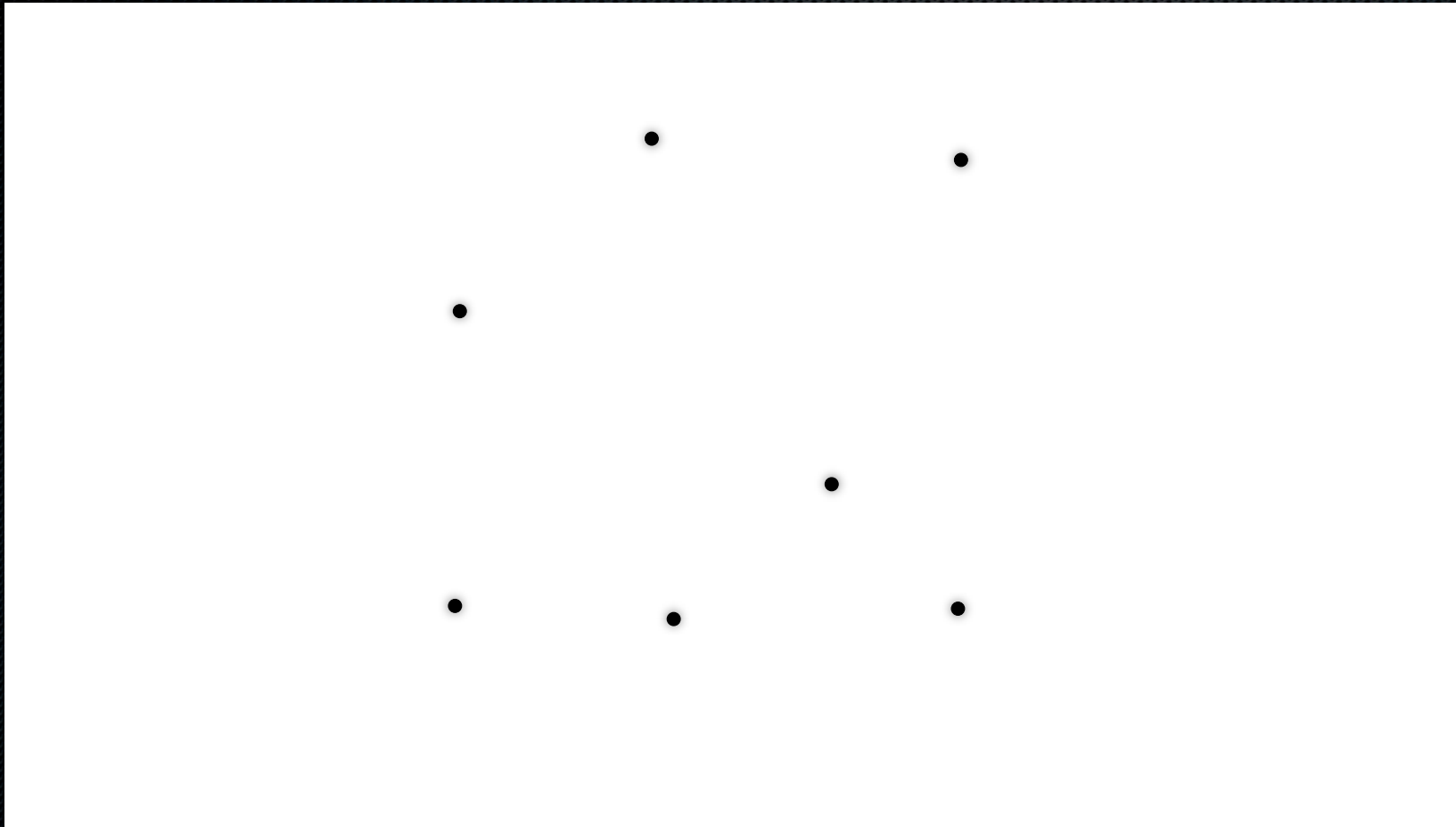
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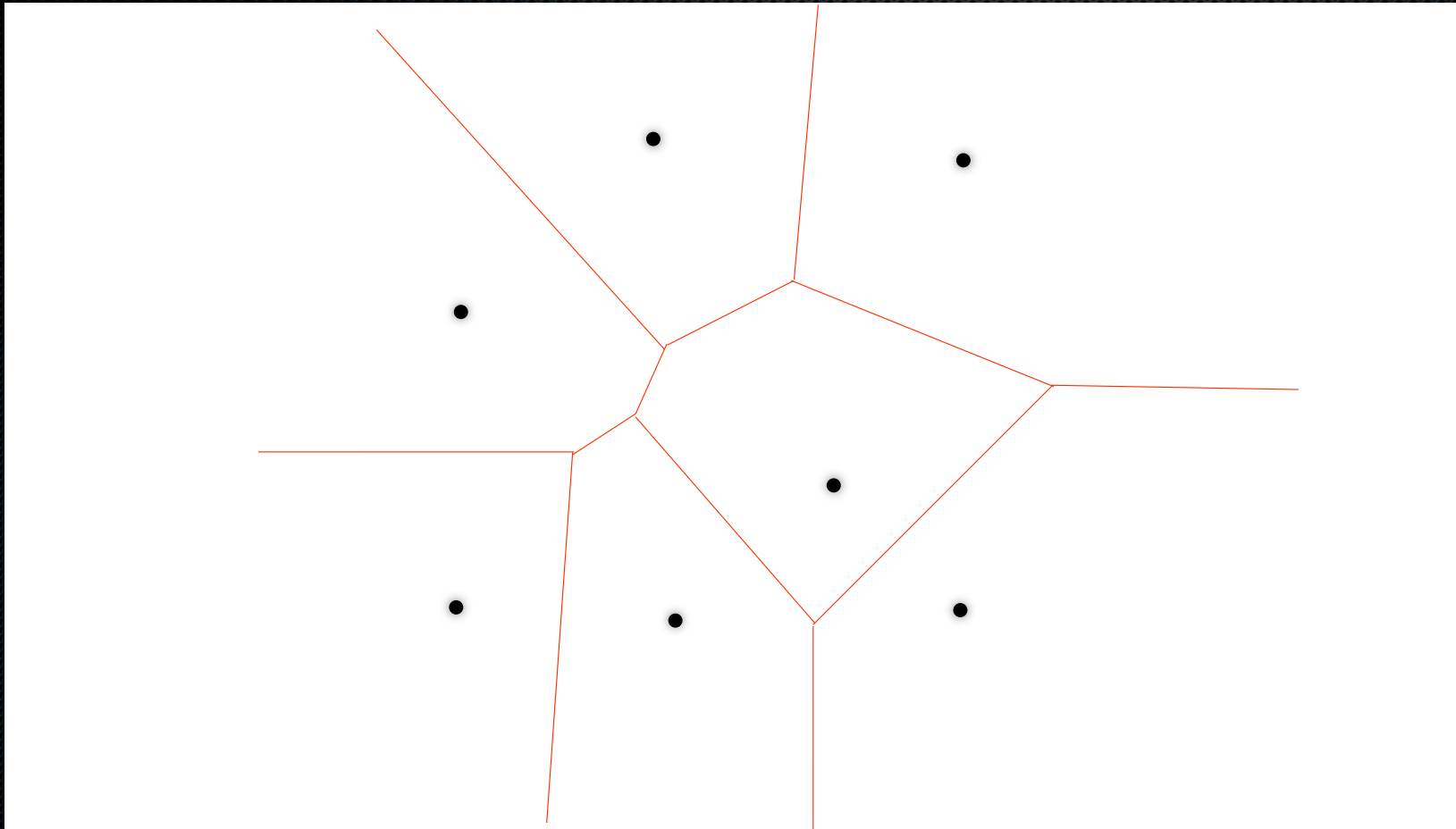
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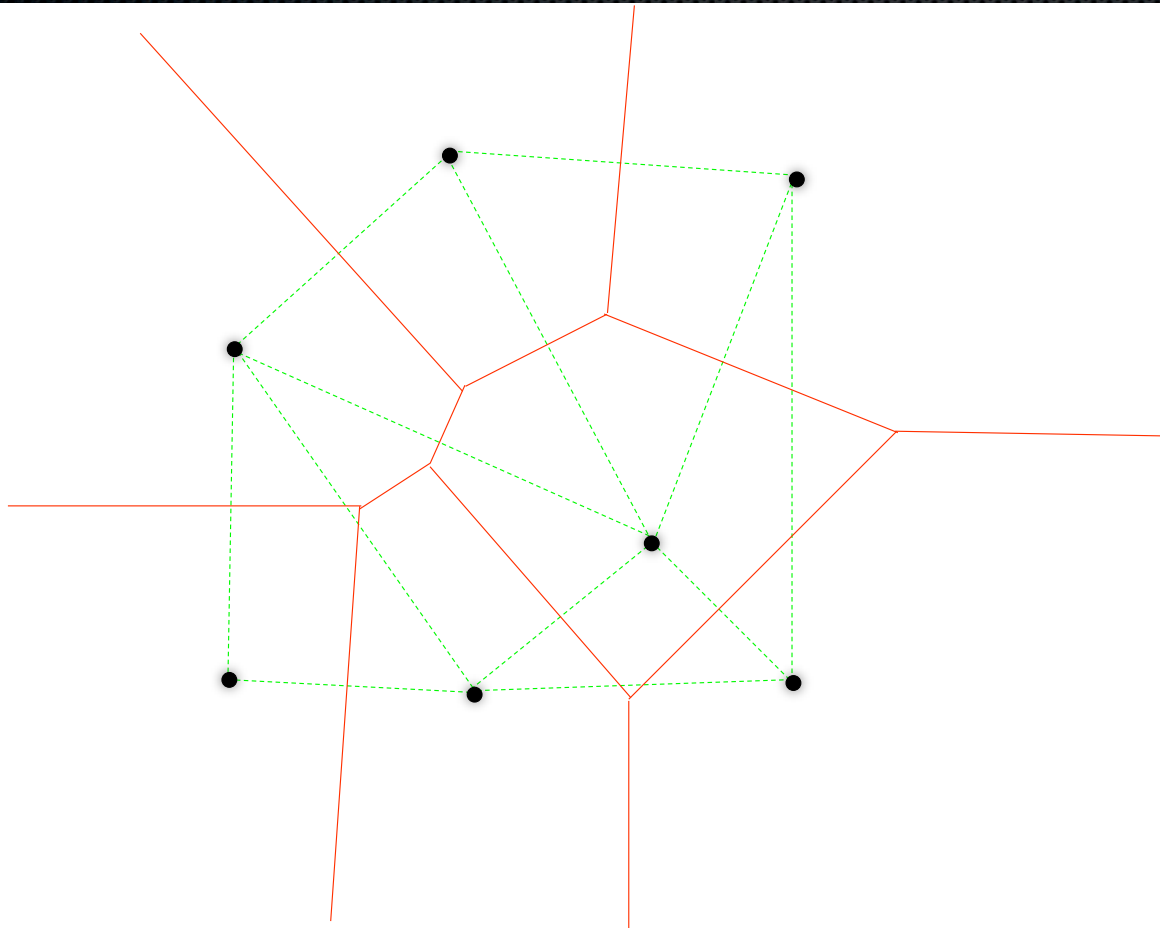
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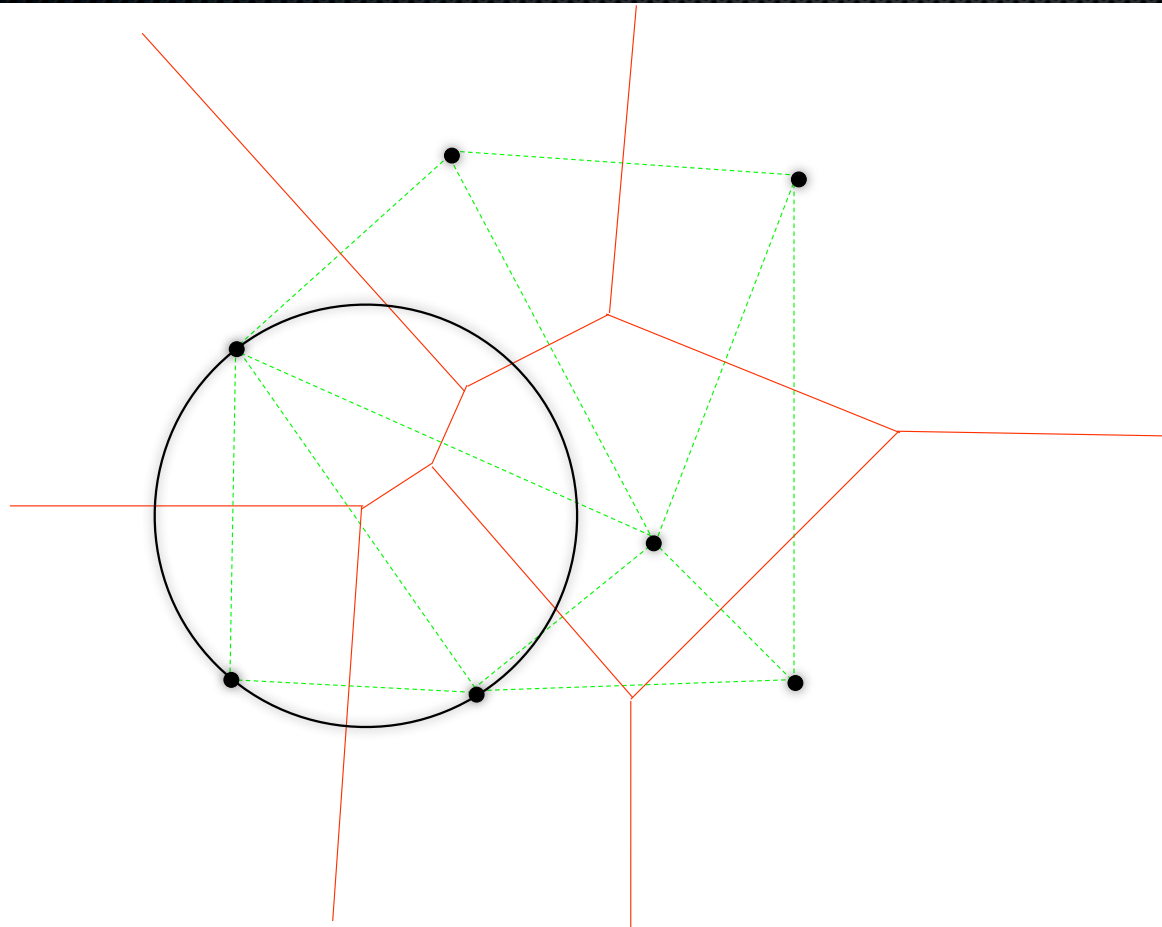
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Delaunay graph of sites

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(Delaunay graph) The *Delaunay graph* $DG(\mathcal{S})$ of \mathcal{S} is the dual graph of $V(\mathcal{S})$ defined as follows:

- the set of vertices of $DG(\mathcal{S})$ is \mathcal{S} ,
- for each $n - 1$ -dimensional facet of $V(\mathcal{S})$ that belongs to the common boundary of $V(s_i, \mathcal{S})$ and of $V(s_j, \mathcal{S})$ with $s_i, s_j \in \mathcal{S}$ and $s_i \neq s_j$, there is an edge of $DG(\mathcal{S})$ between s_i and s_j and reciprocally, and
- for each vertex of $V(\mathcal{S})$ that belongs to the common boundary of $V(s_{i_1}, \mathcal{S}), \dots, V(s_{i_{n+2}}, \mathcal{S})$, with $\forall k \in \{1, \dots, n+2\}, s_{i_k} \in \mathcal{S}$ all distinct, there exists a complete graph K_{n+2} between the $s_{i_k}, k \in \{1, \dots, n+2\}$, and reciprocally.

Generalised Voronoi tessellation / Generalised Delaunay graph

Let S be the metric space in which we place ourselves (typically \mathbb{R}^2).

Definition

A mapping $\delta : S \times \mathcal{O} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ defined by $(p, O_i) \mapsto \delta(p, O_i)$ such that:

$$\delta(p, O_i) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p \text{ is assigned to } O_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

is called an assignment rule.

Generalised Voronoi tessellation / Generalised Delaunay graph

Under an assignment rule δ , we consider the set $v(O_i)$ of points assigned to O_i , and the set $e(O_i, O_j)$ of points assigned to both O_i and O_j with $i \neq j$.

Definition

A Voronoi tessellation is a set $\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{O}, \delta, S)$ such that the assignment rule δ satisfies the following two conditions:

- every point in S is assigned to at least one element of \mathcal{O} i.e.,
 $\forall p \in S, \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(p, O_i) \geq 1$;
- the set $e(O_i, O_j)$ pertains to the boundaries of $v(O_i)$ and of $v(O_j)$, i.e., $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \forall p \in e(O_i, O_j)$:
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First part: Applications to Computer Graphics through Homotopy based Reconstruction

Homotopy Based Reconstruction from Acoustic Images

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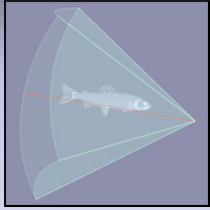
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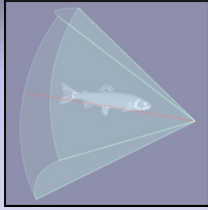
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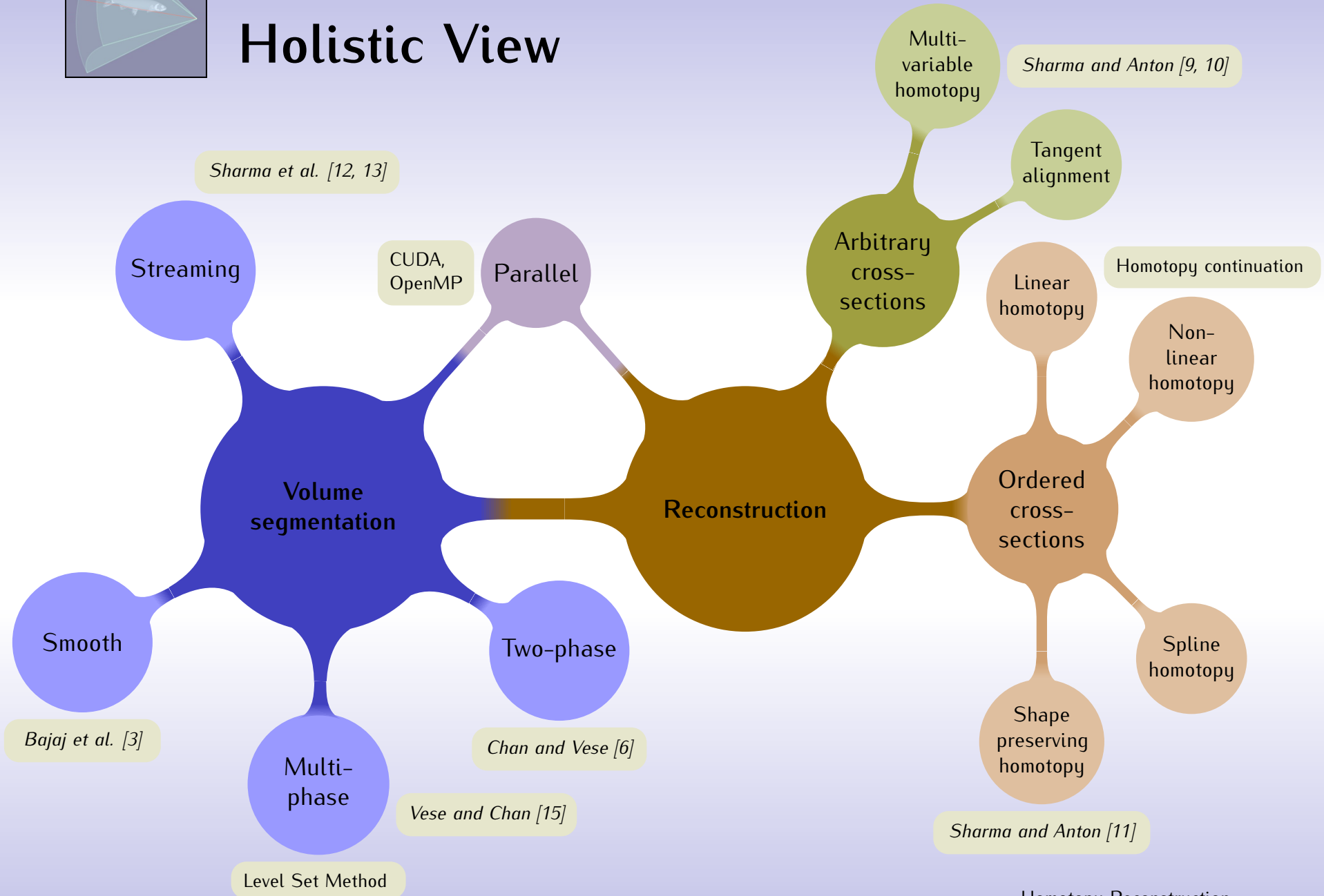


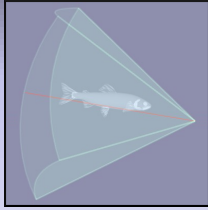
Outline

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- Problem statement
- Contributions
- Segmentation of large volumetric images
- Object reconstruction from ordered set of intersections
- Object reconstruction from arbitrary cross sections
- Discussion



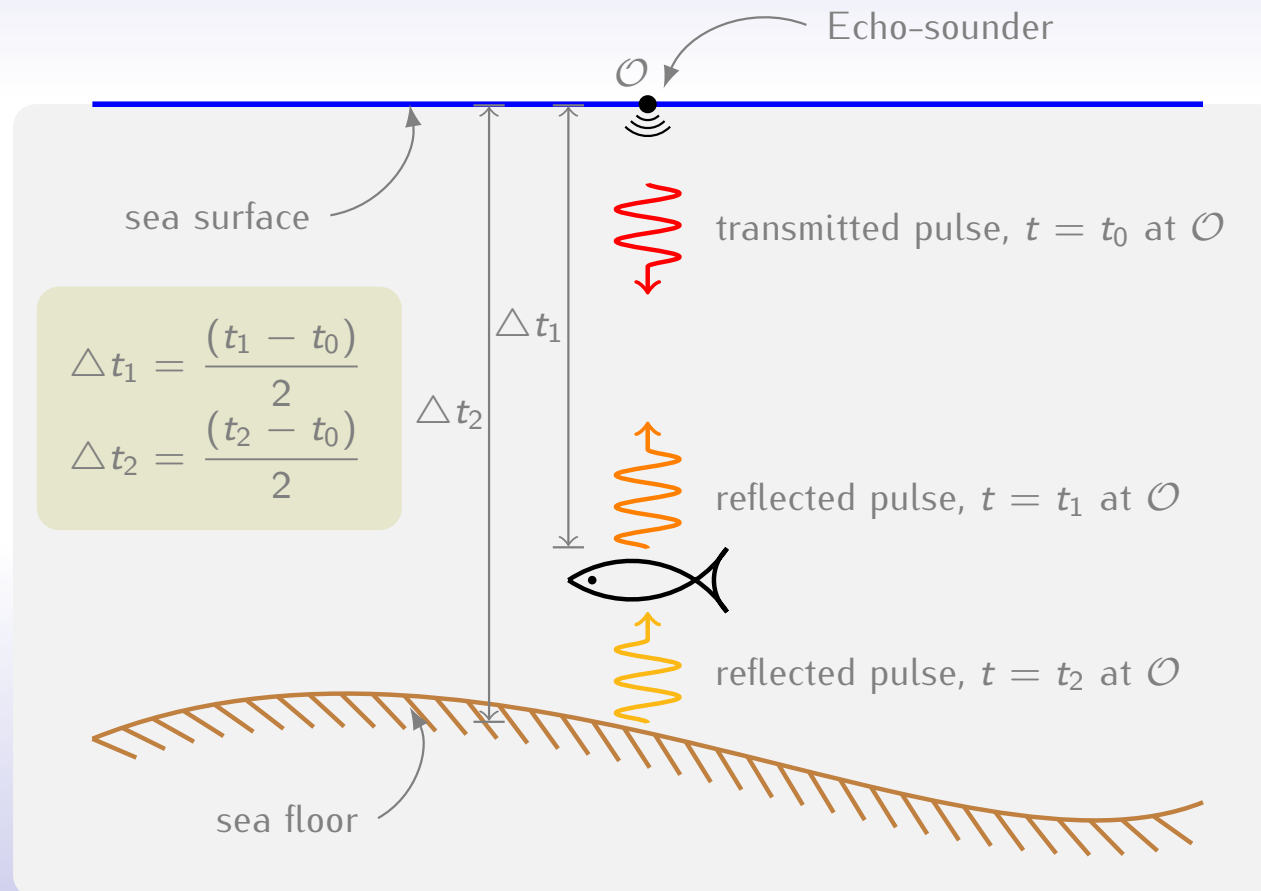
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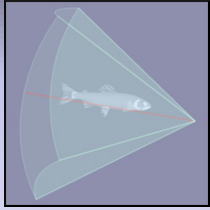




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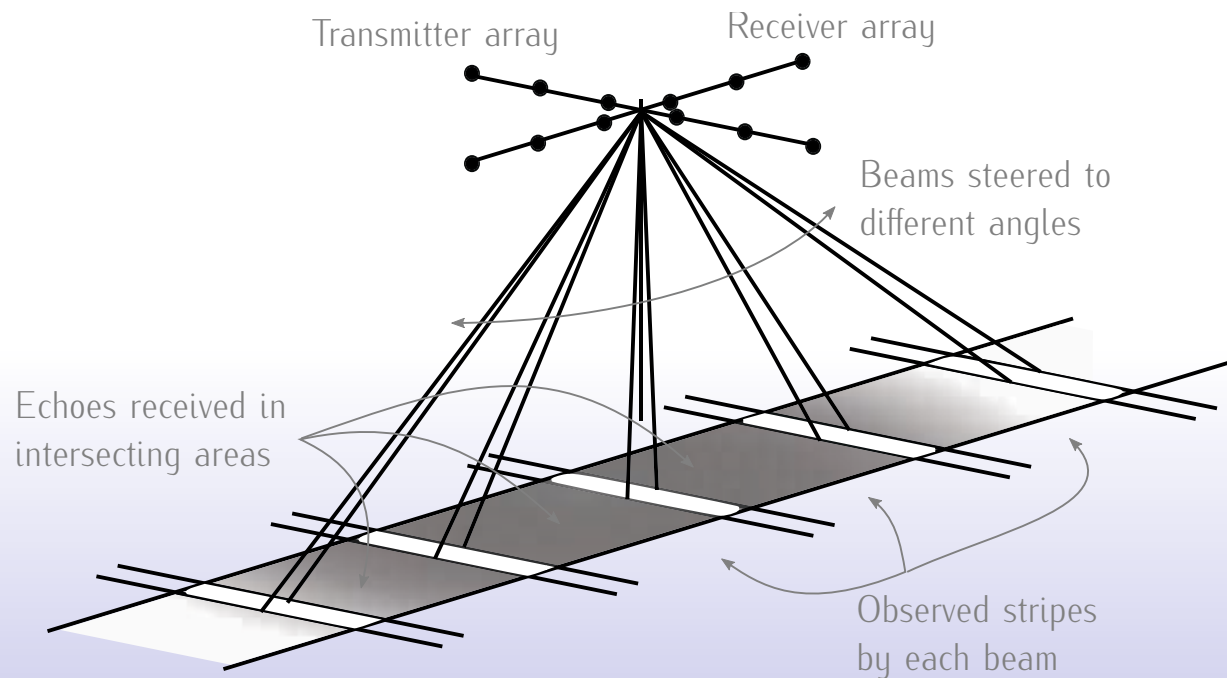
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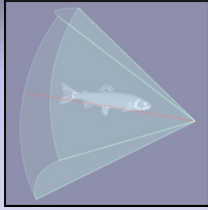




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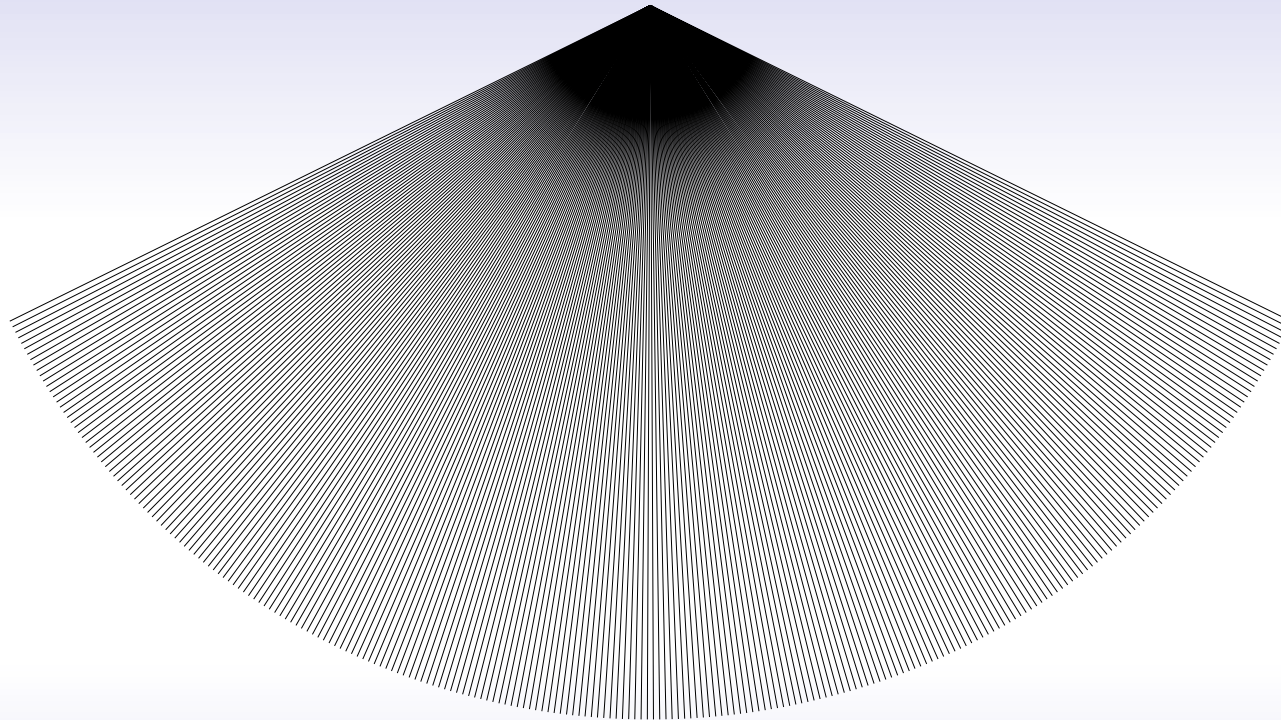
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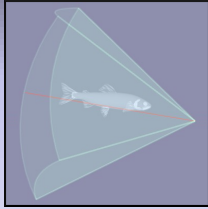


Motivation

Acoustic Beam Geometry in \mathbb{R}^2

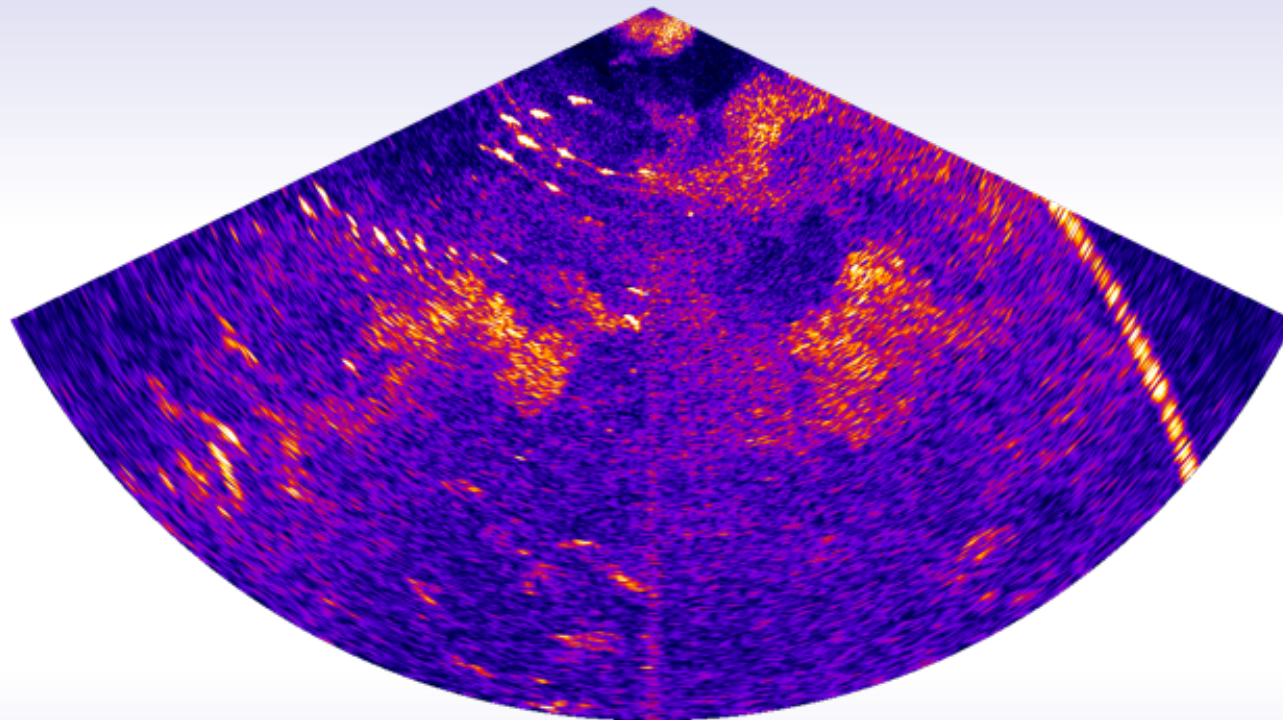


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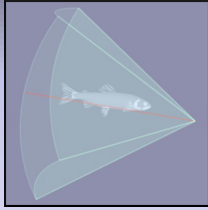


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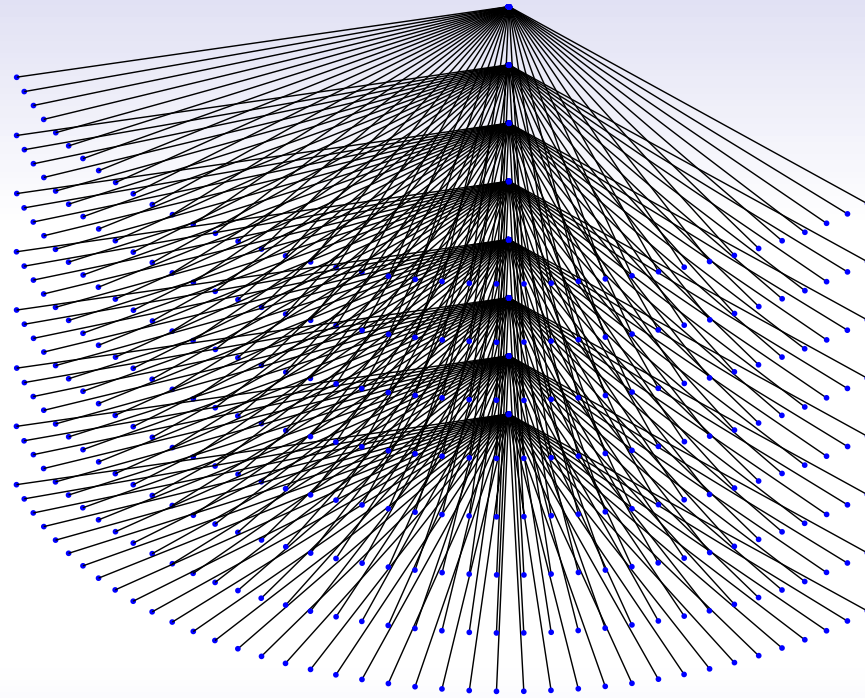


Intensity image, 686×1234

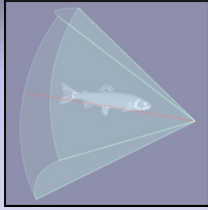


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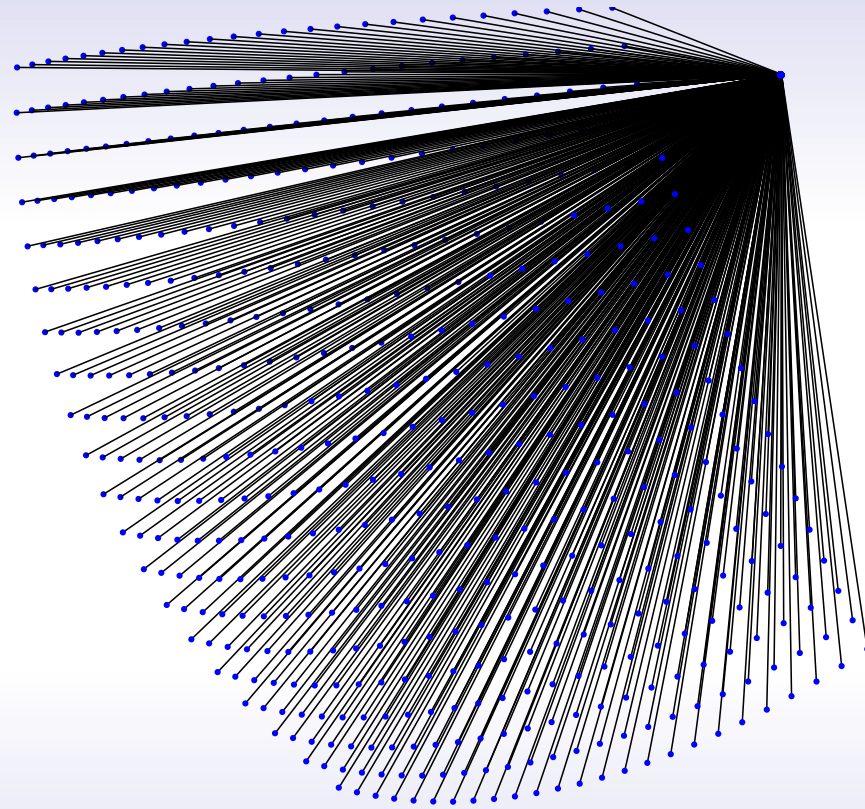


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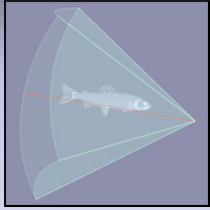


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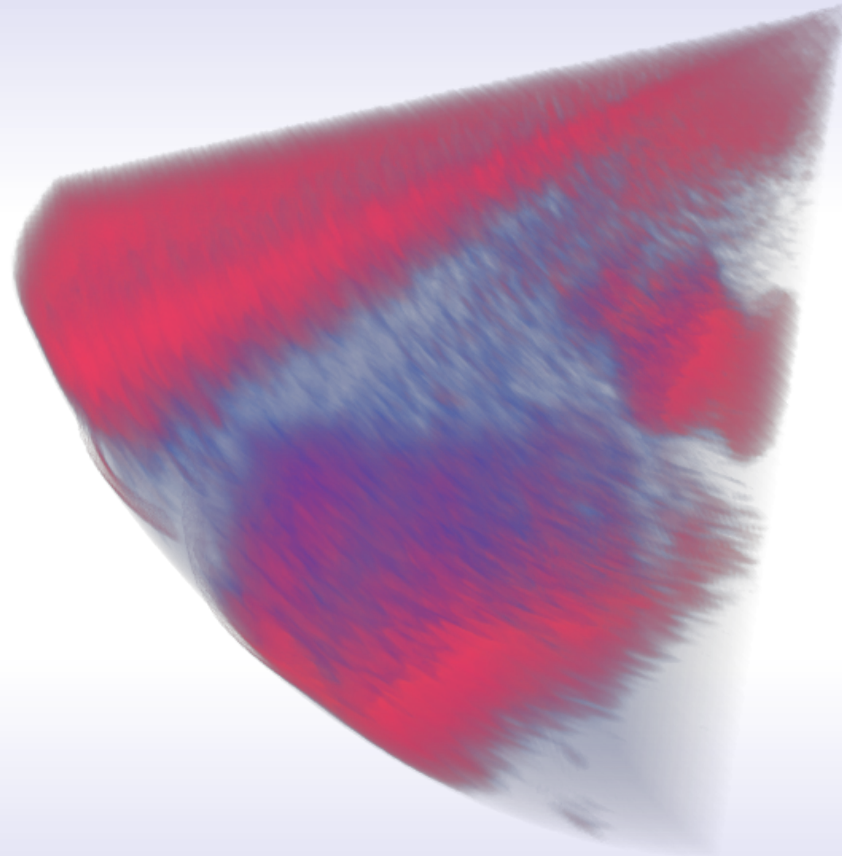


Simrad MS70 [14], 75-112 kHz, 500 beams (25×20), $60^\circ \times 45^\circ$ operating sector

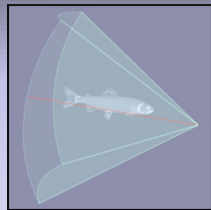


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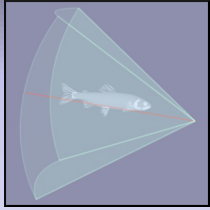


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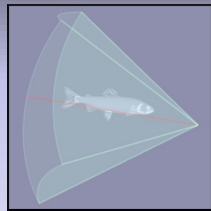
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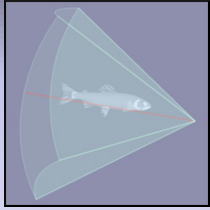
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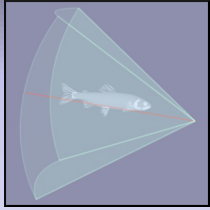
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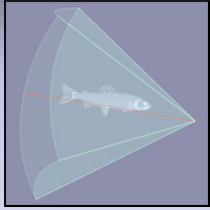
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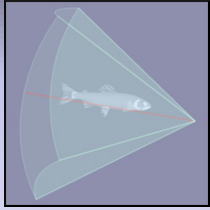
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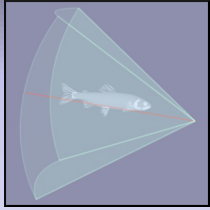
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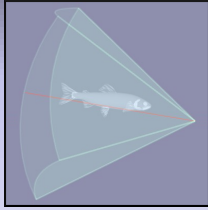


Roadmap

Reconstruction from ordered intersections

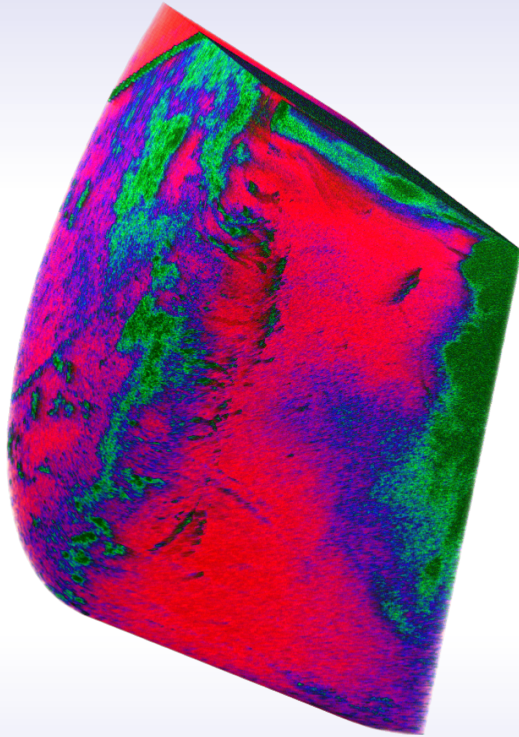
Homotopy based reconstruction from a set of ordered linear cross sections embedded in a higher dimensional space (\mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3).

- Continuous deformation of signals,
- Smooth,
- Monotonicity preserving, and
- Computationally less-expensive.

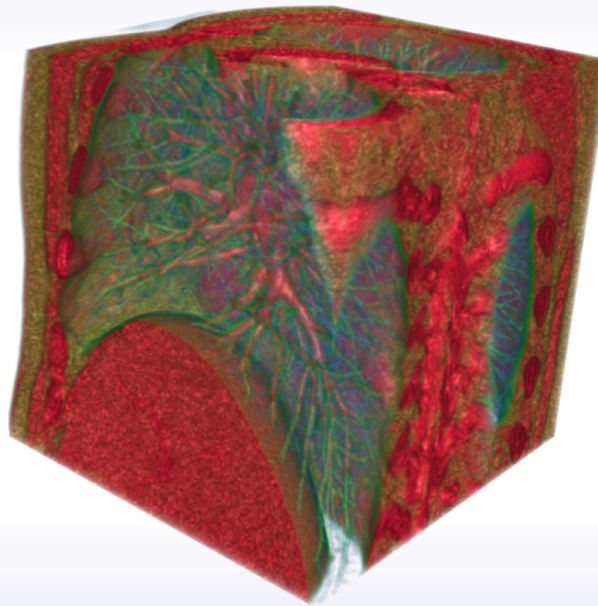


Volumetric Images

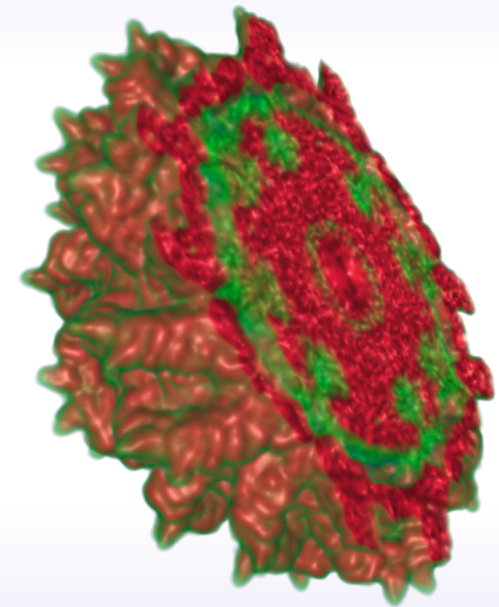
Large volumetric images are commonly acquired in many fields



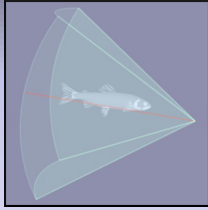
Acoustic image
Sonar
 $686 \times 1234 \times 417$



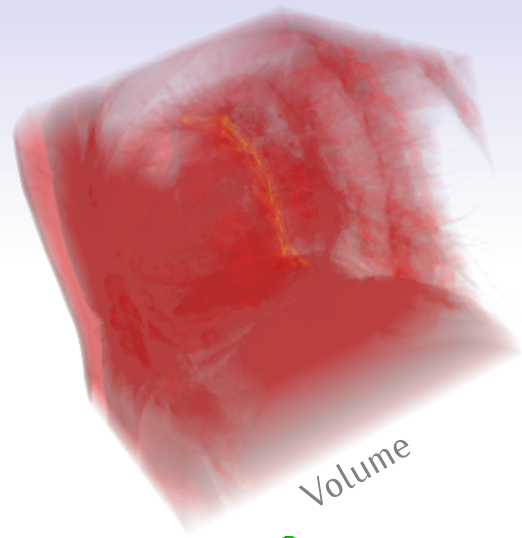
CT image
Thoracic cage
 $512 \times 512 \times 512$



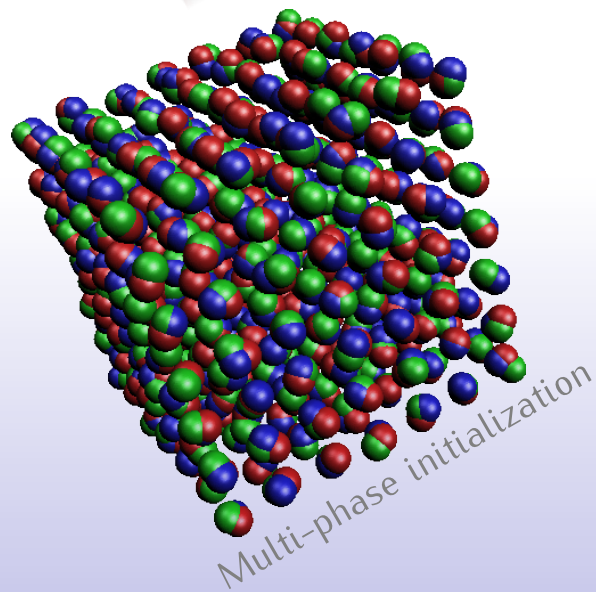
cryoEM image
PSV
 $381 \times 381 \times 381$



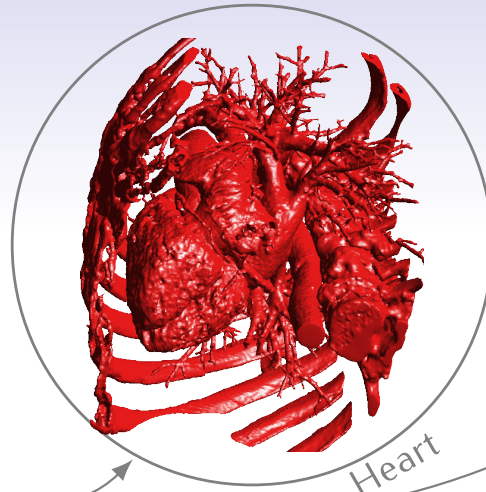
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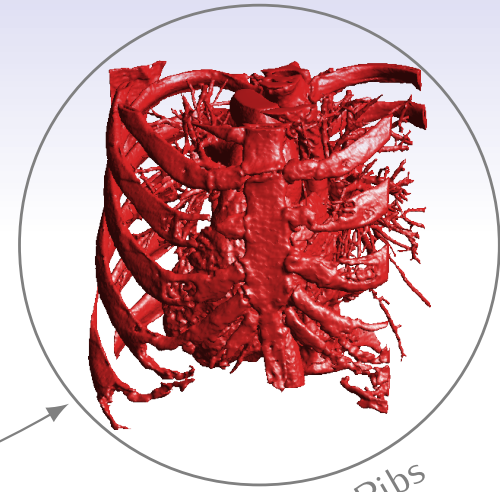
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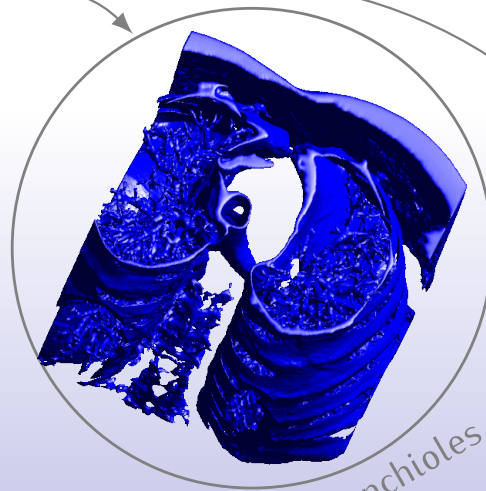
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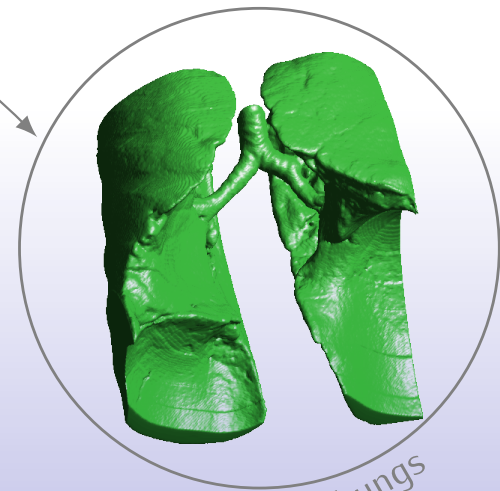
Heart



Ribs

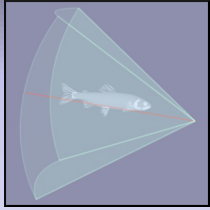


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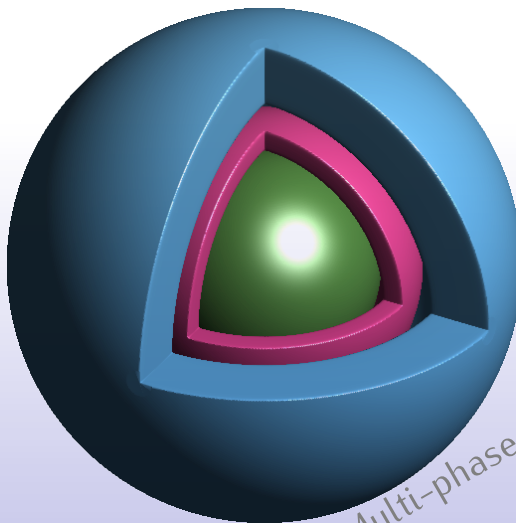
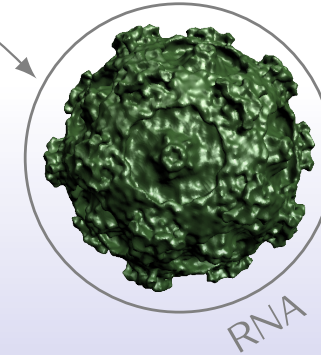
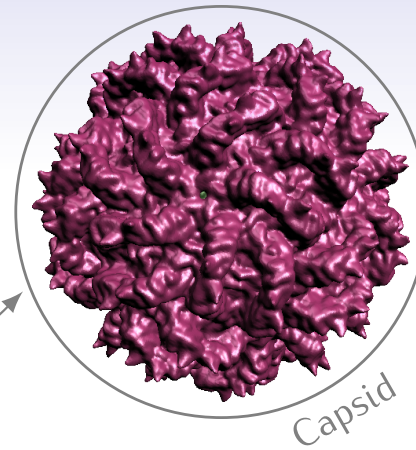
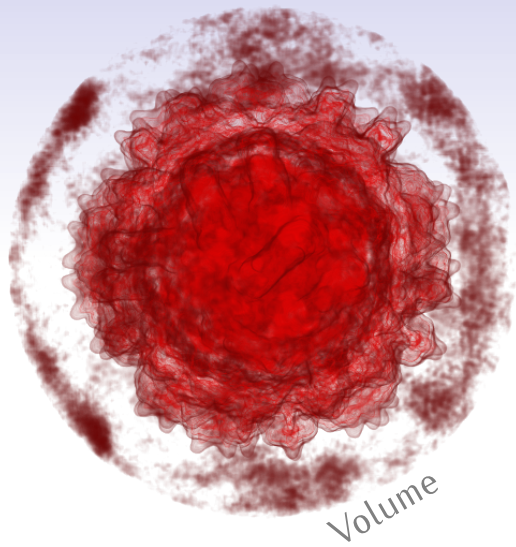


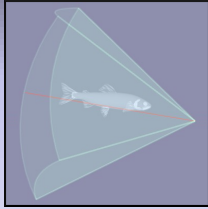
Lungs

Homotopy Reconstruction



Results





Roadmap

Volume segmentation

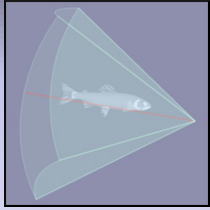
Level set method based streaming, smooth, and multi-phase segmentation.

Reconstruction from ordered intersections

Homotopy based reconstruction from a set of ordered linear cross sections embedded in a higher dimensional space (\mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3).

Reconstruction from arbitrary intersections

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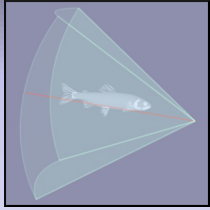


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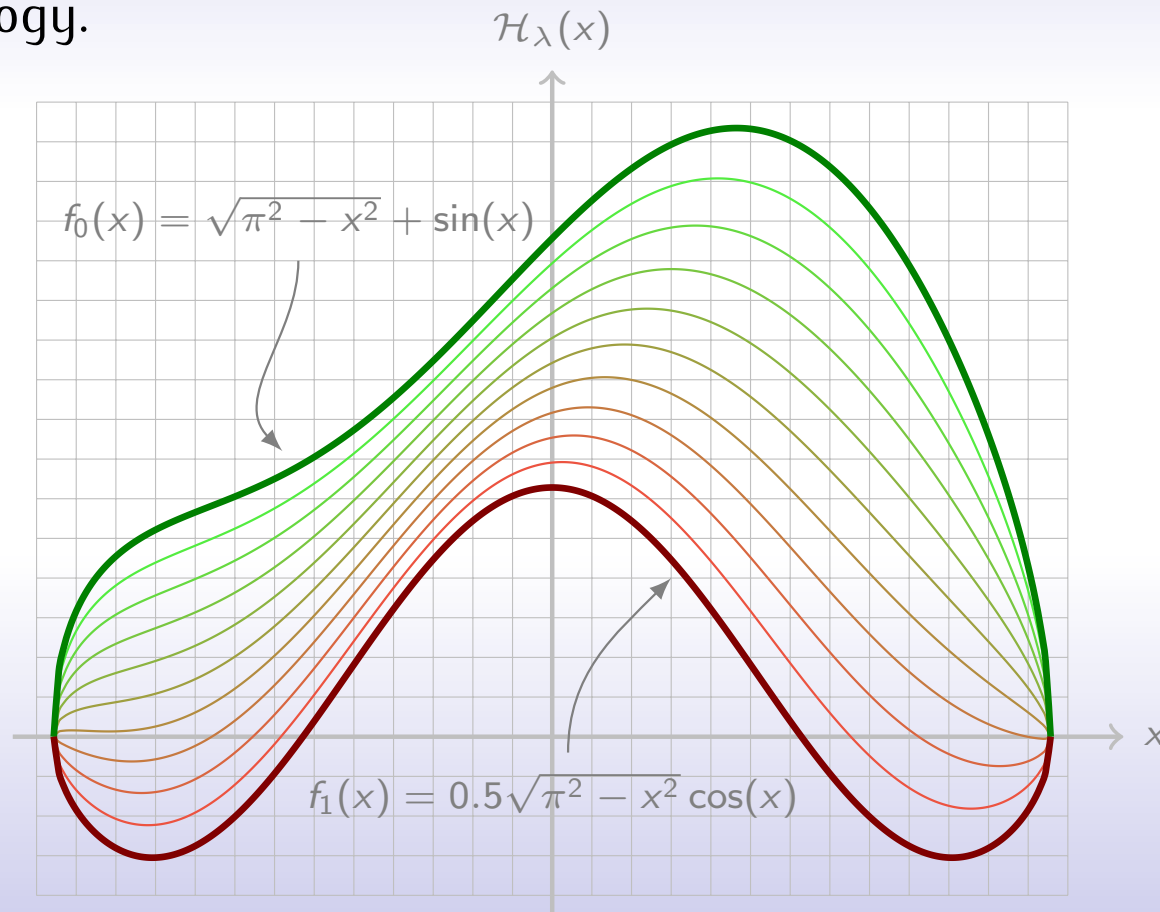
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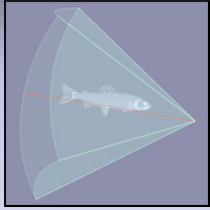
- A more general problem, and
- Edge based generic Barycentric coordinates.



Homotopy Continuation

Acoustic signals change continuously within and across frames. A homotopy or continuous deformation can effectively capture this change in morphology.





Homotopy Continuation

A **homotopy** is a family of continuous mappings $\mathcal{H} : X \times [0, 1] \mapsto Y$.

Example

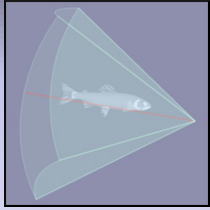
A *linear homotopy* can be written as

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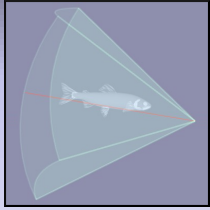
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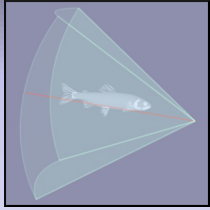


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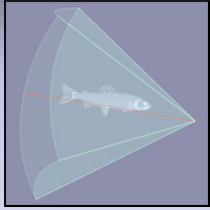
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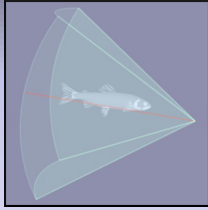
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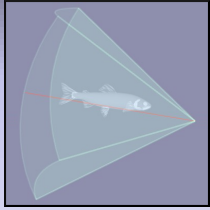
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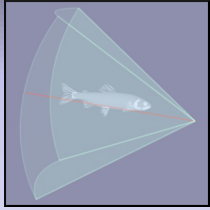


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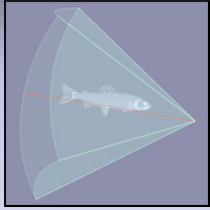
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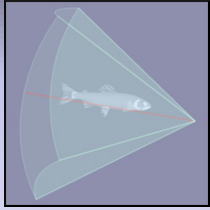
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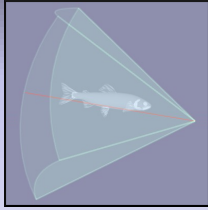
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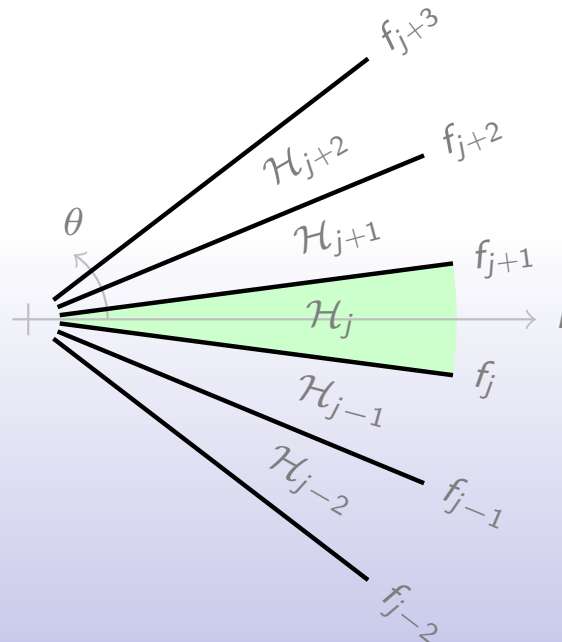


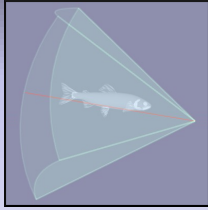
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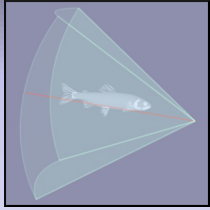
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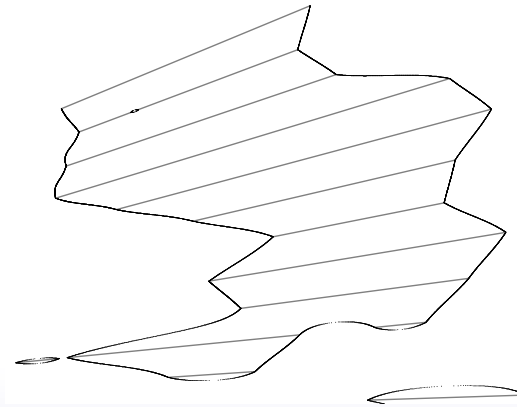
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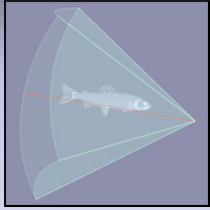
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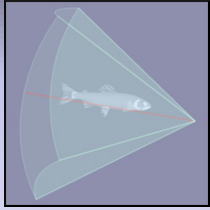


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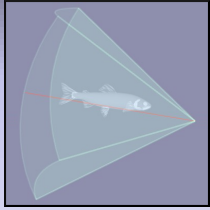
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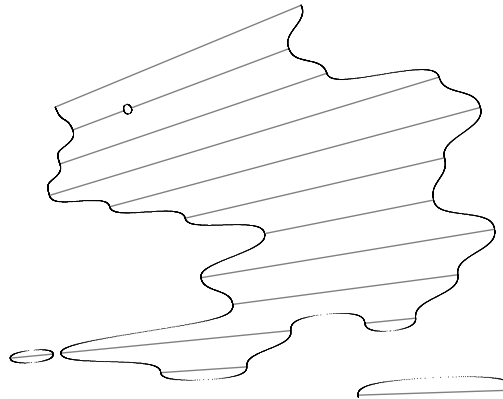


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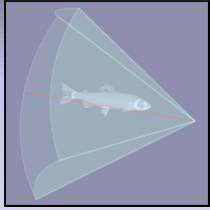
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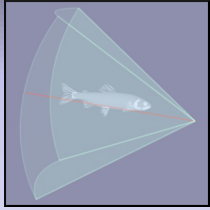


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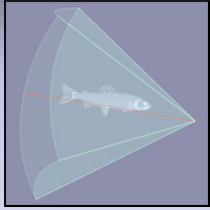
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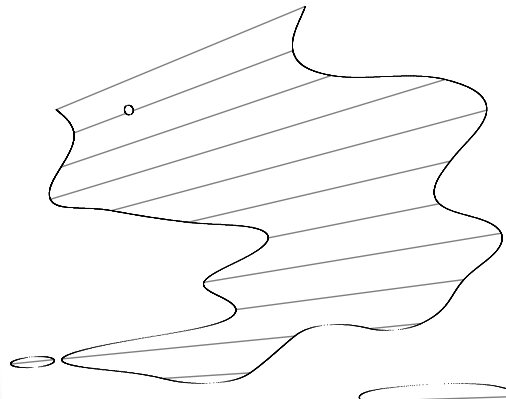
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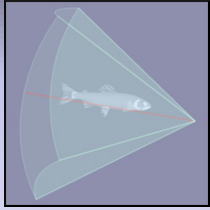
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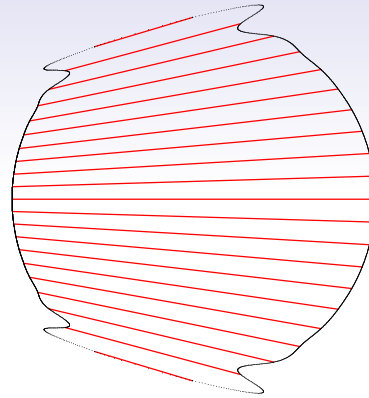
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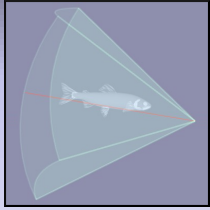


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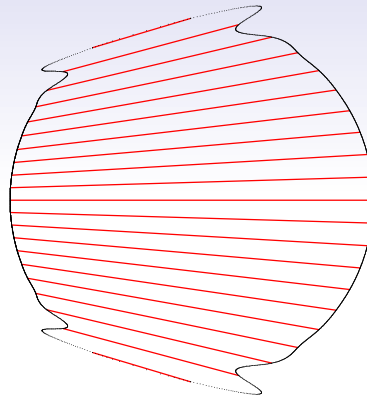
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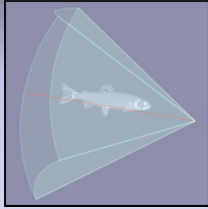
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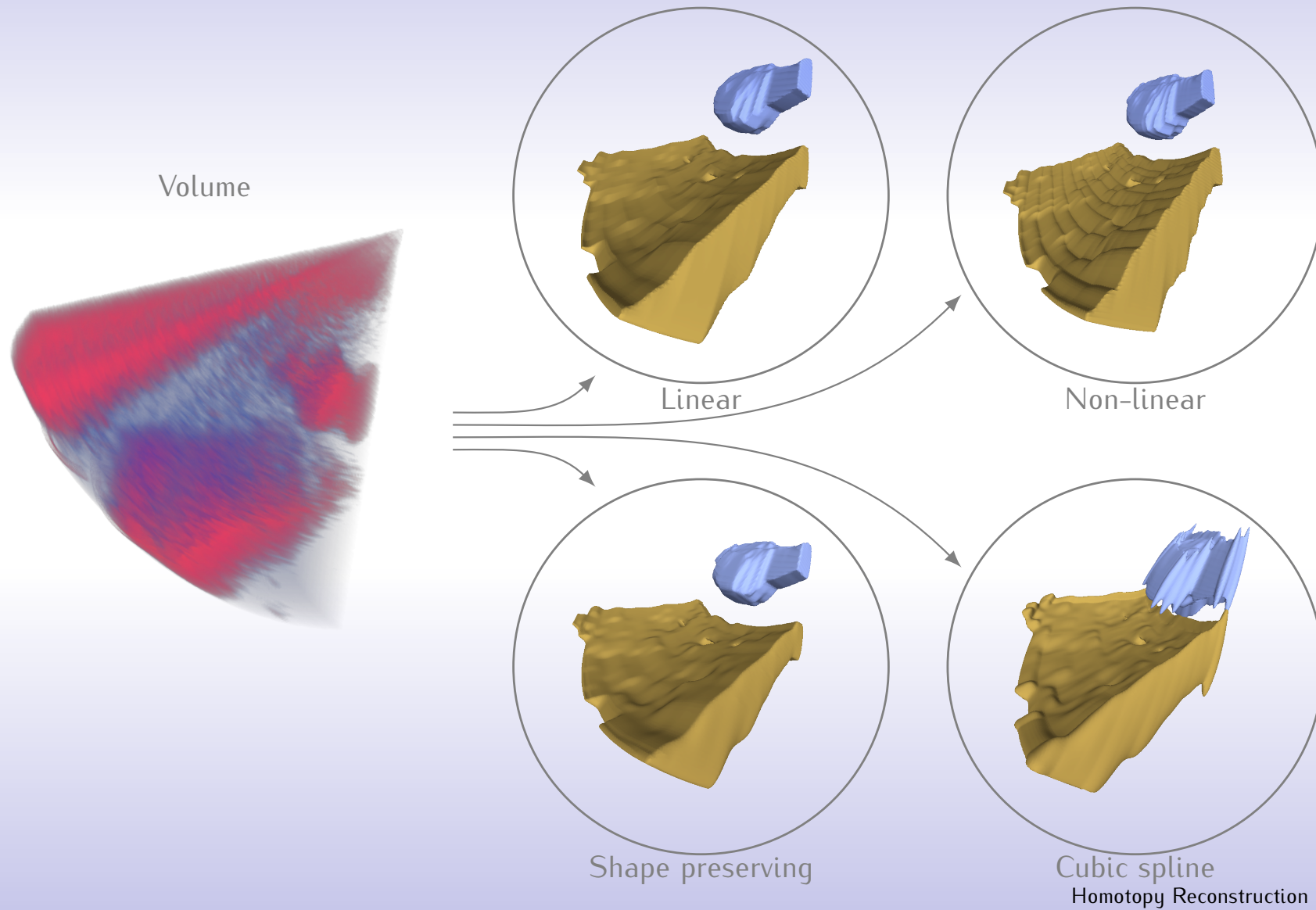


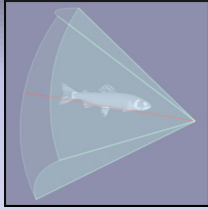
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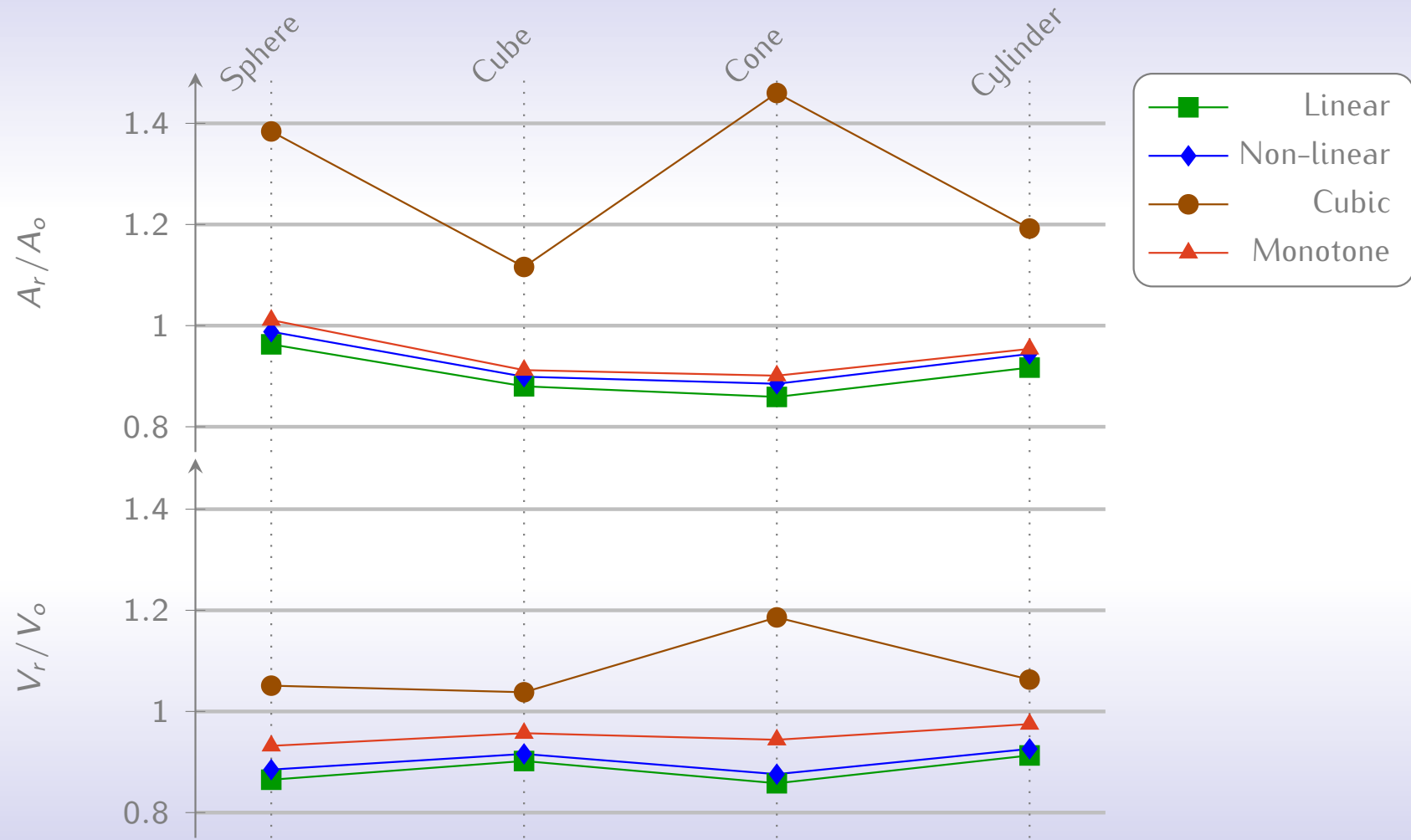
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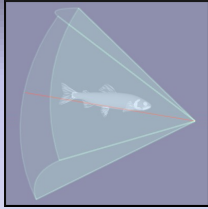




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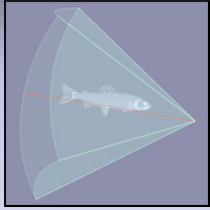
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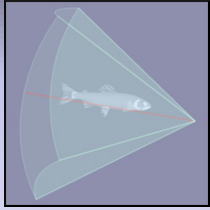


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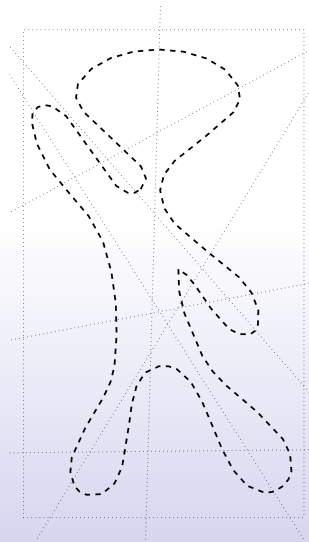


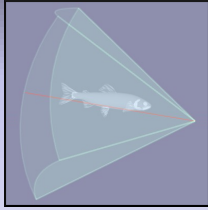
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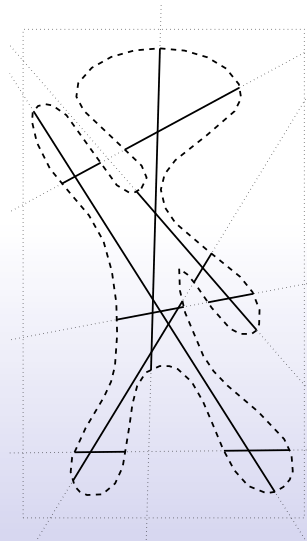


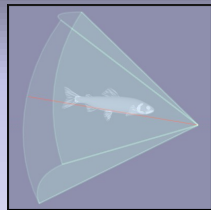
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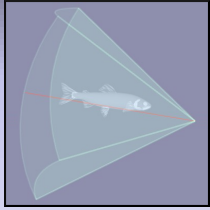
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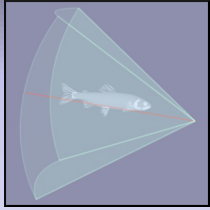
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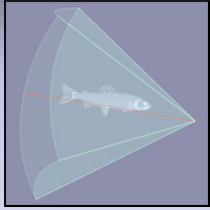
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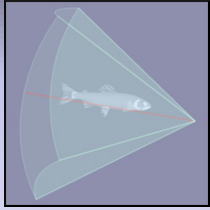
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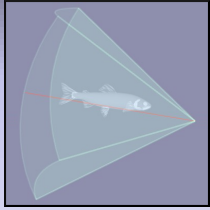
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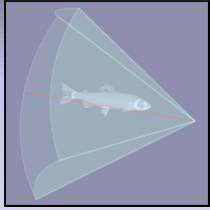
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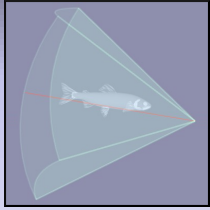
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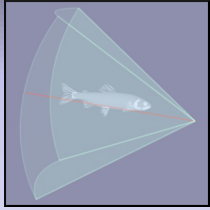
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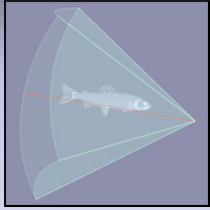
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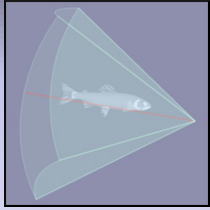
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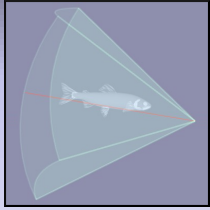
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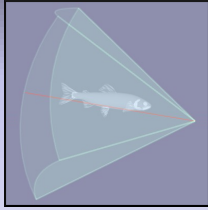


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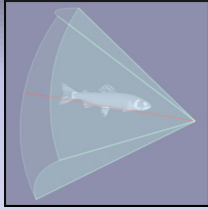
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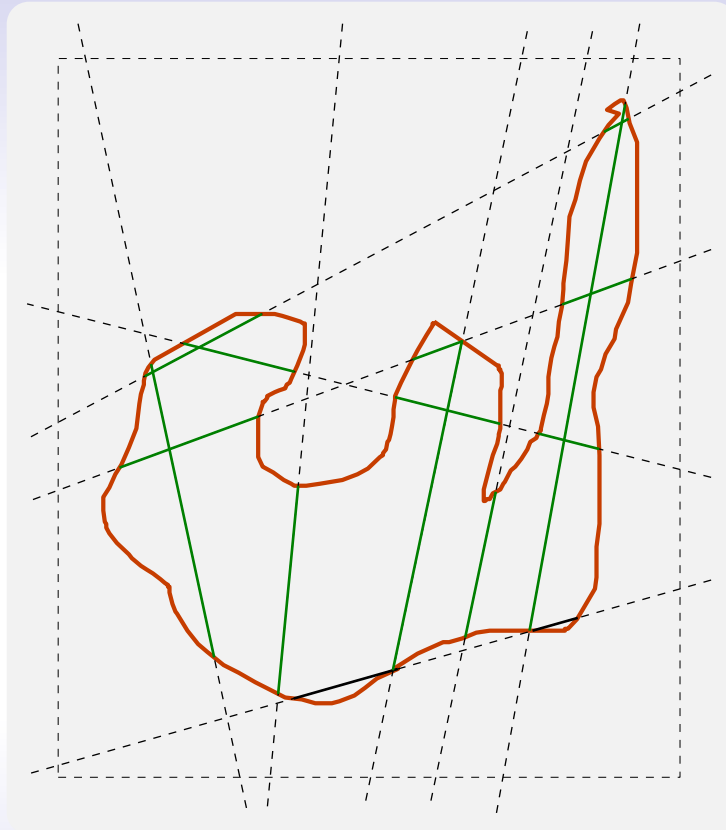
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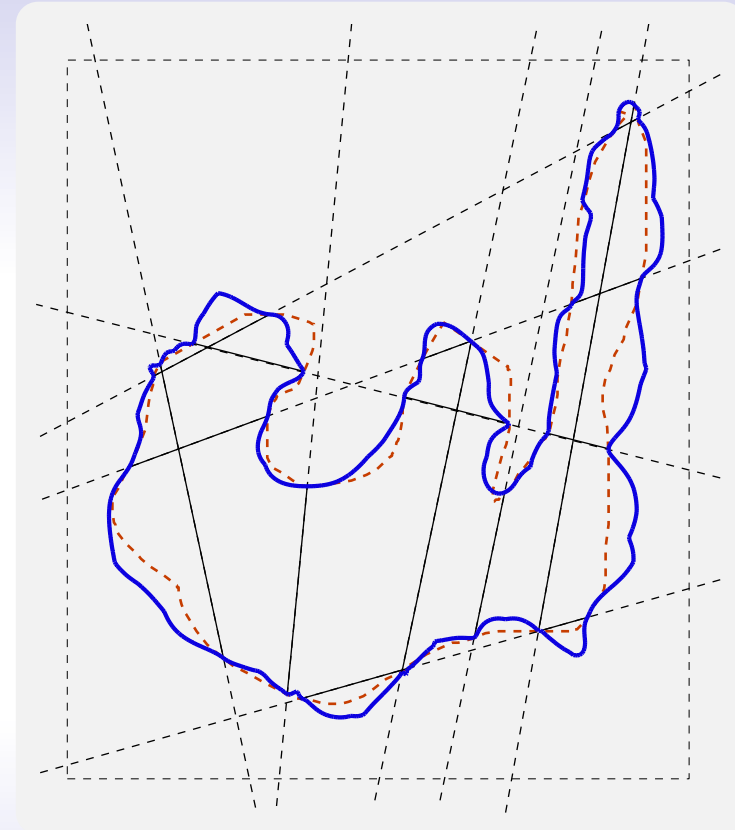
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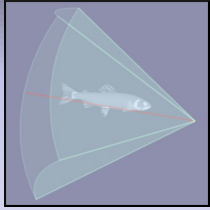


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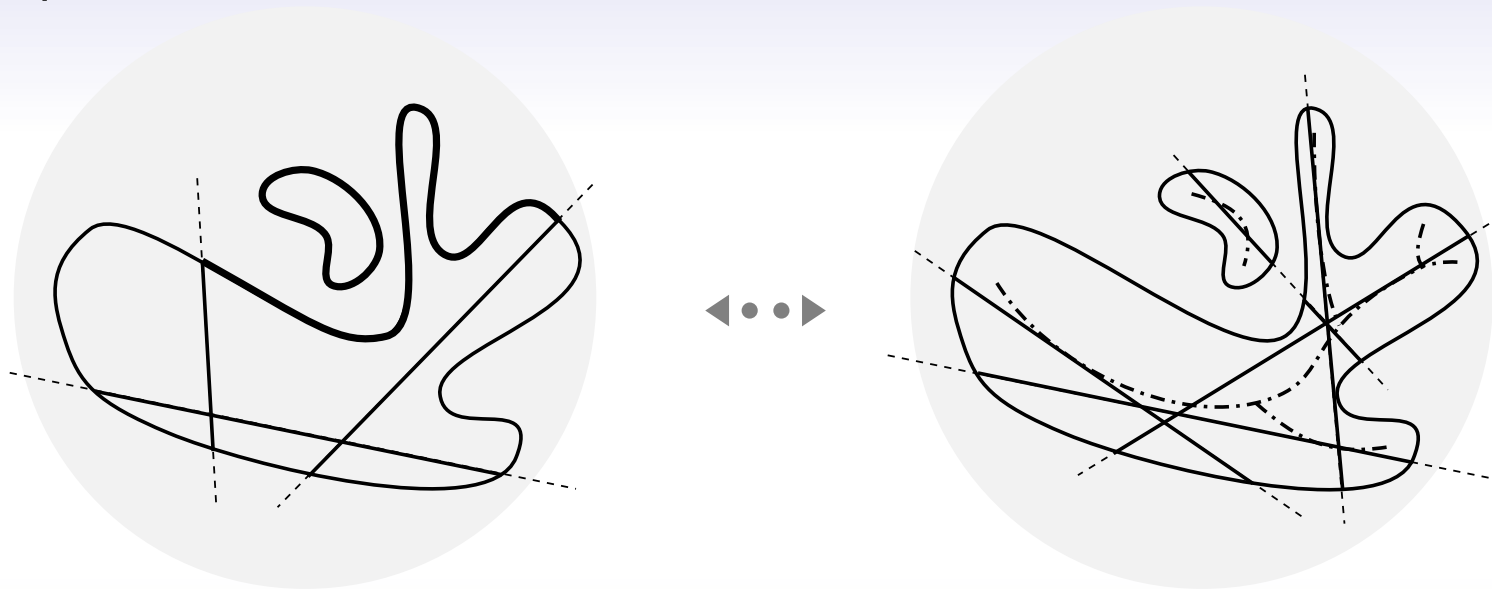
Reconstruction - Voronoi

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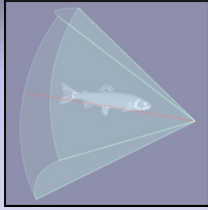
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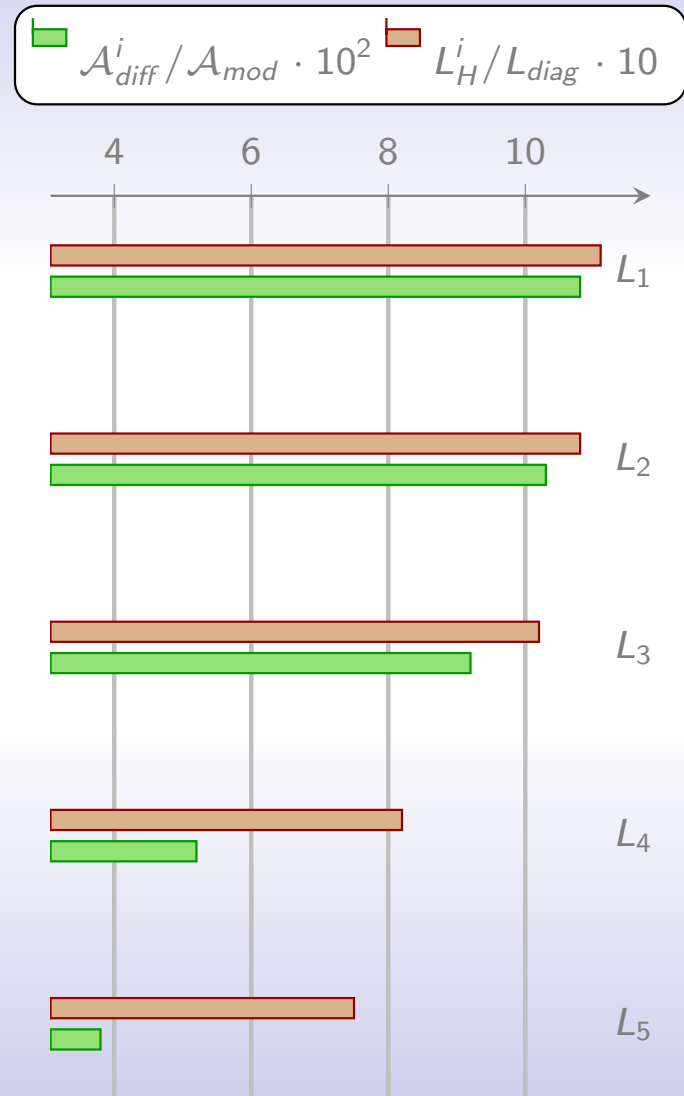
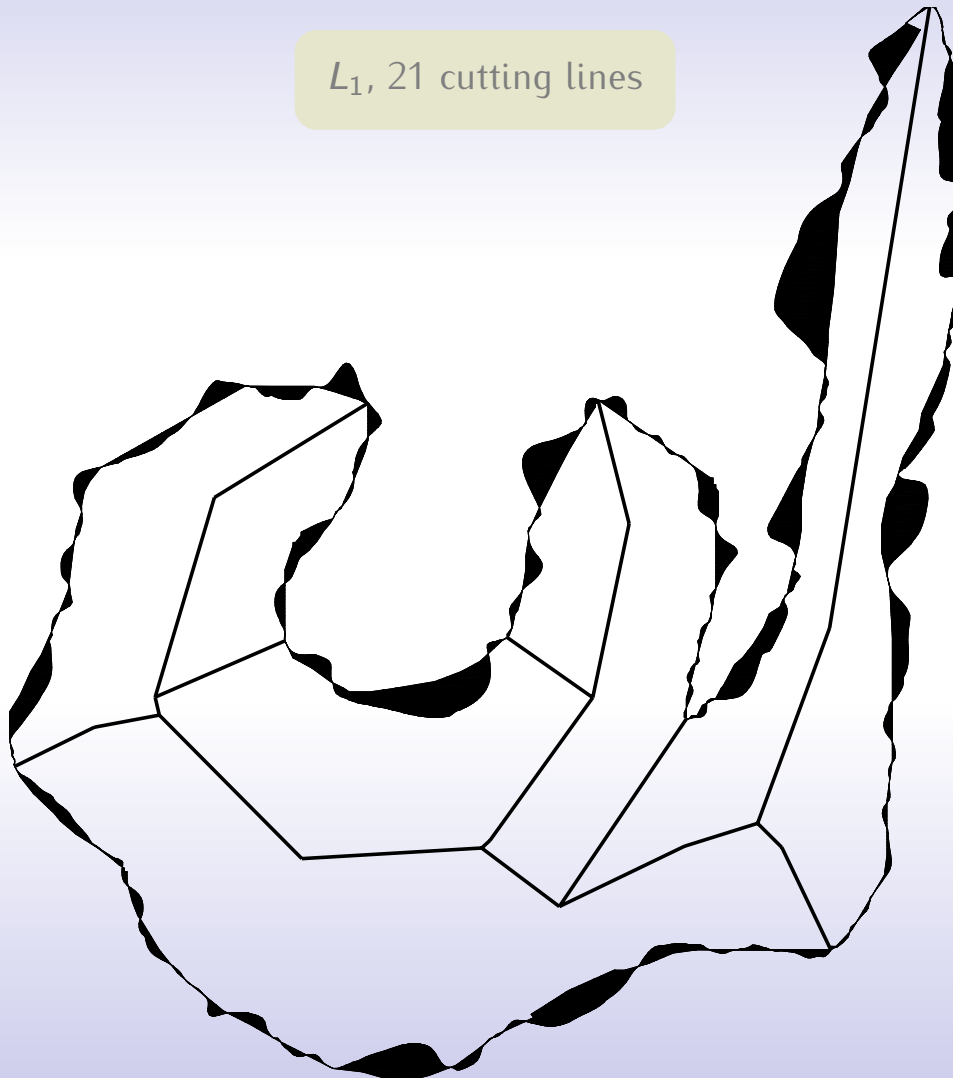
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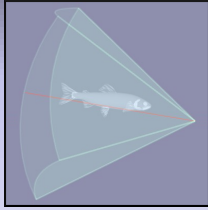
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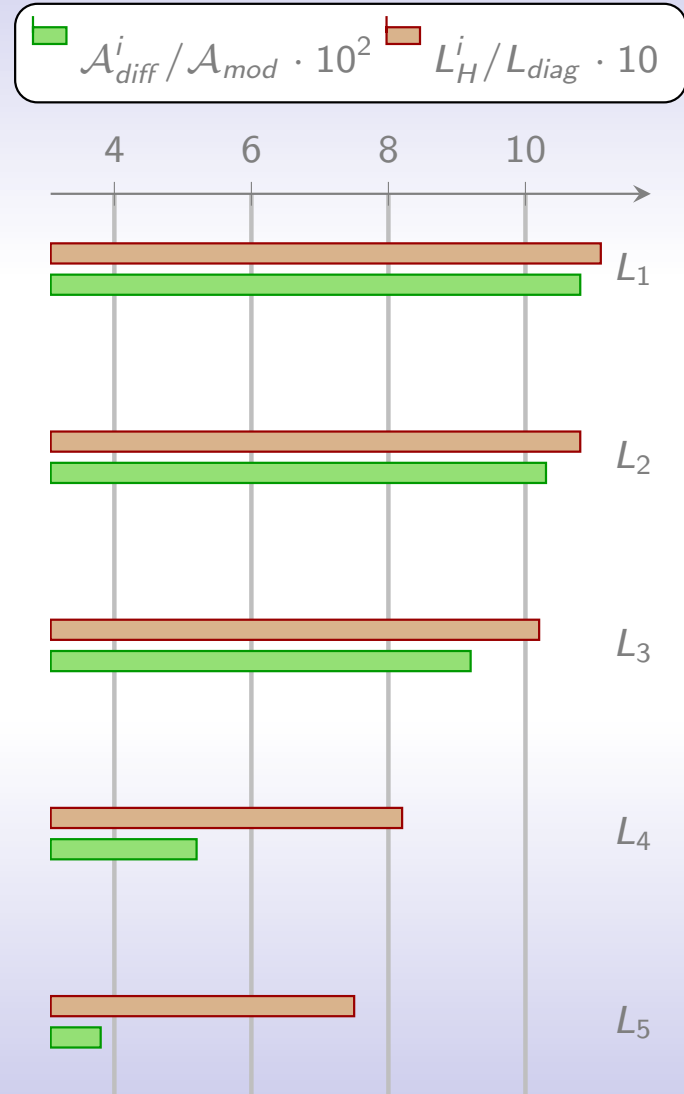
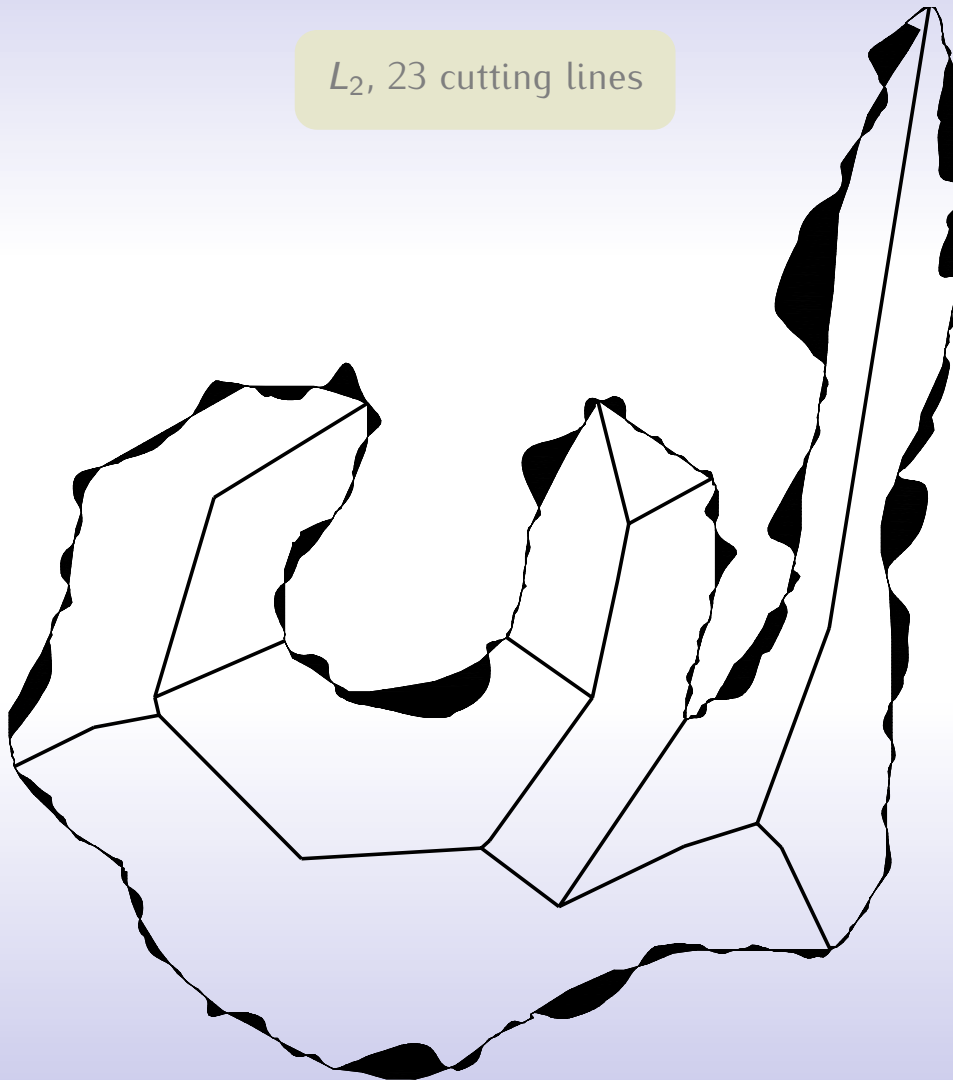
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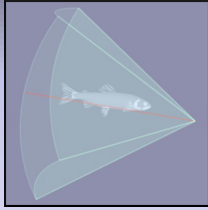




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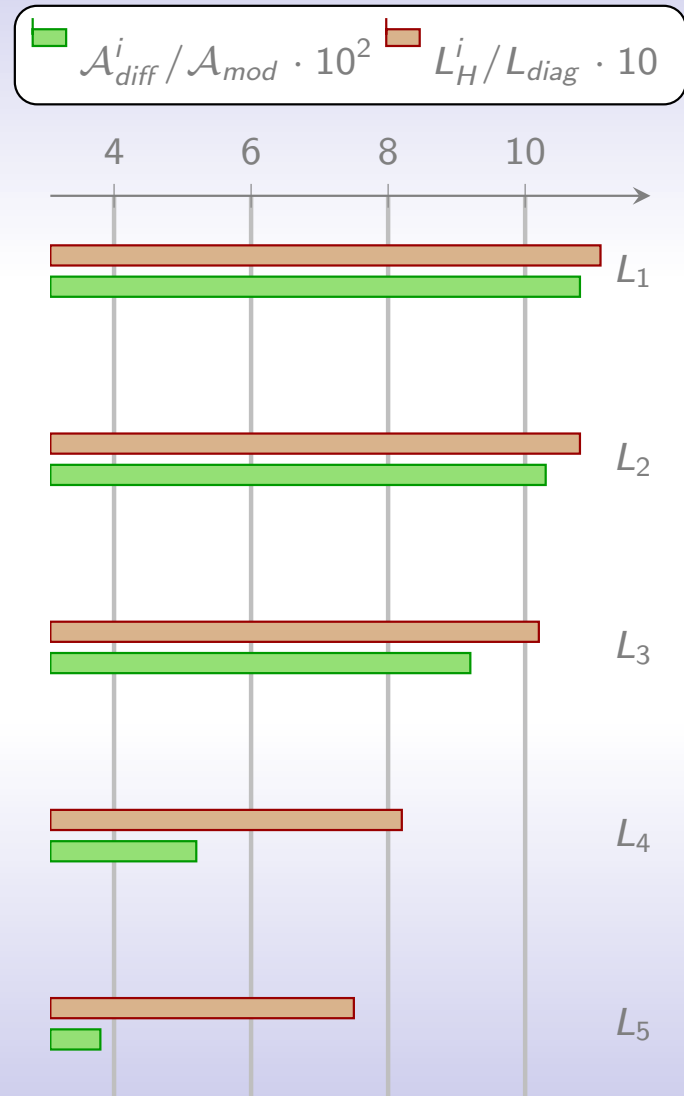
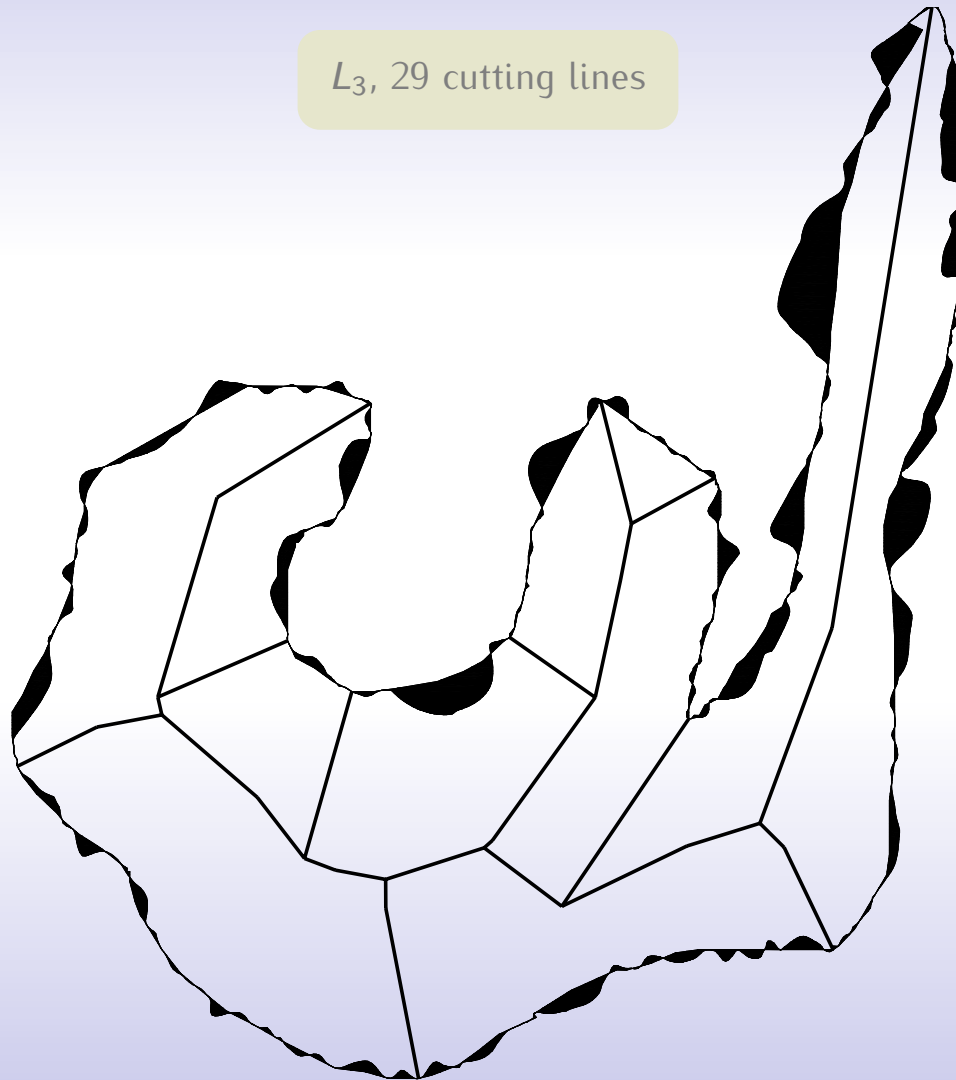
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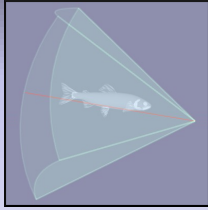




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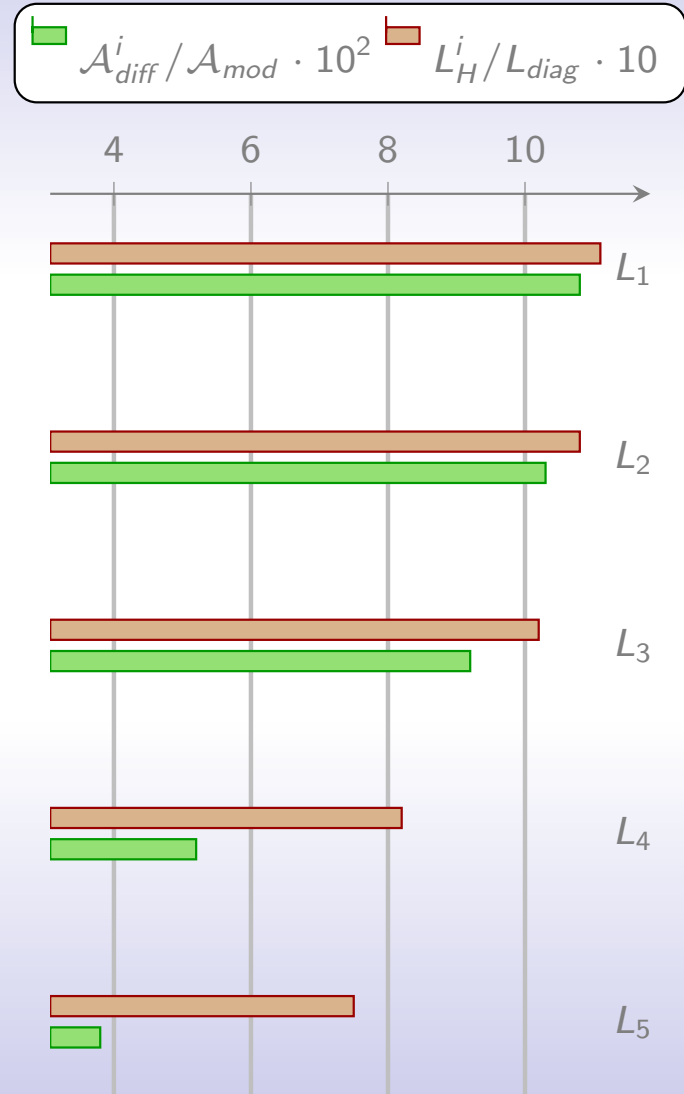
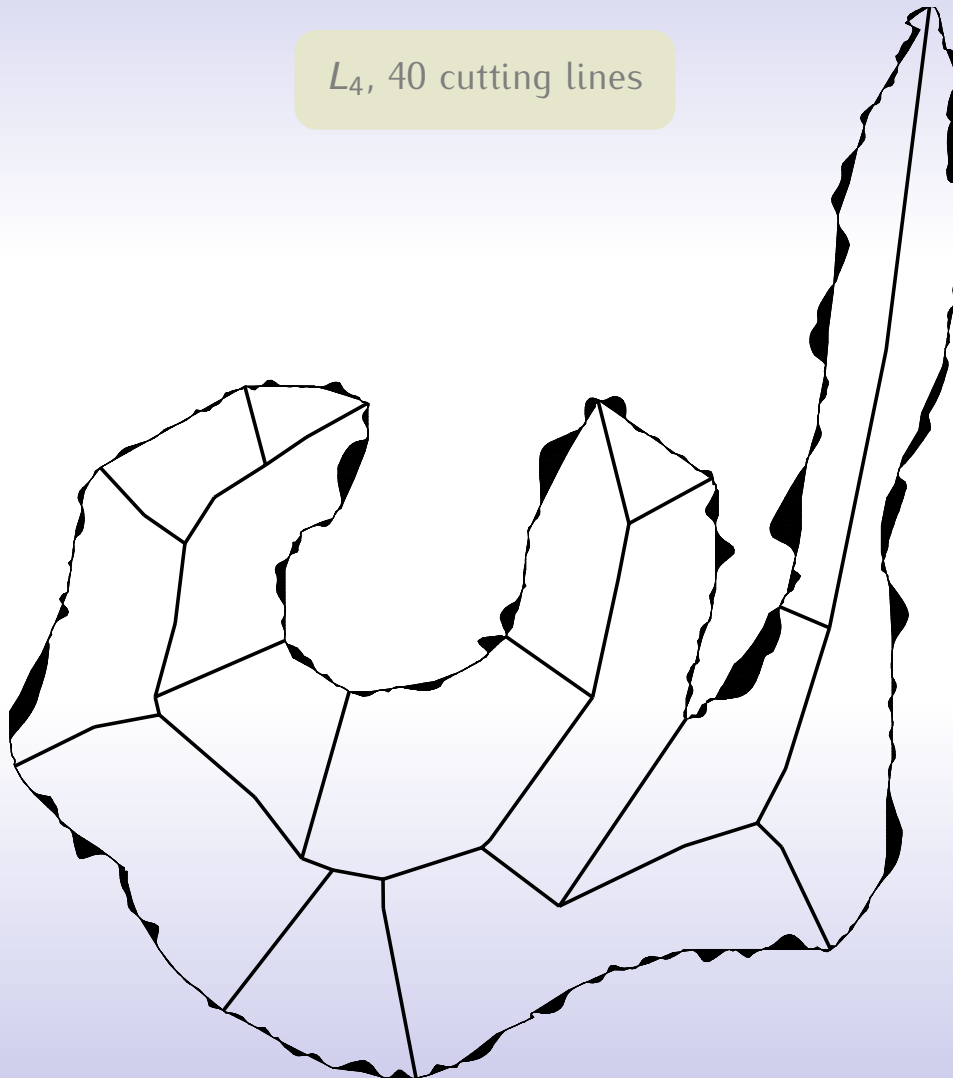
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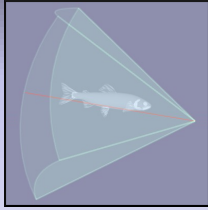




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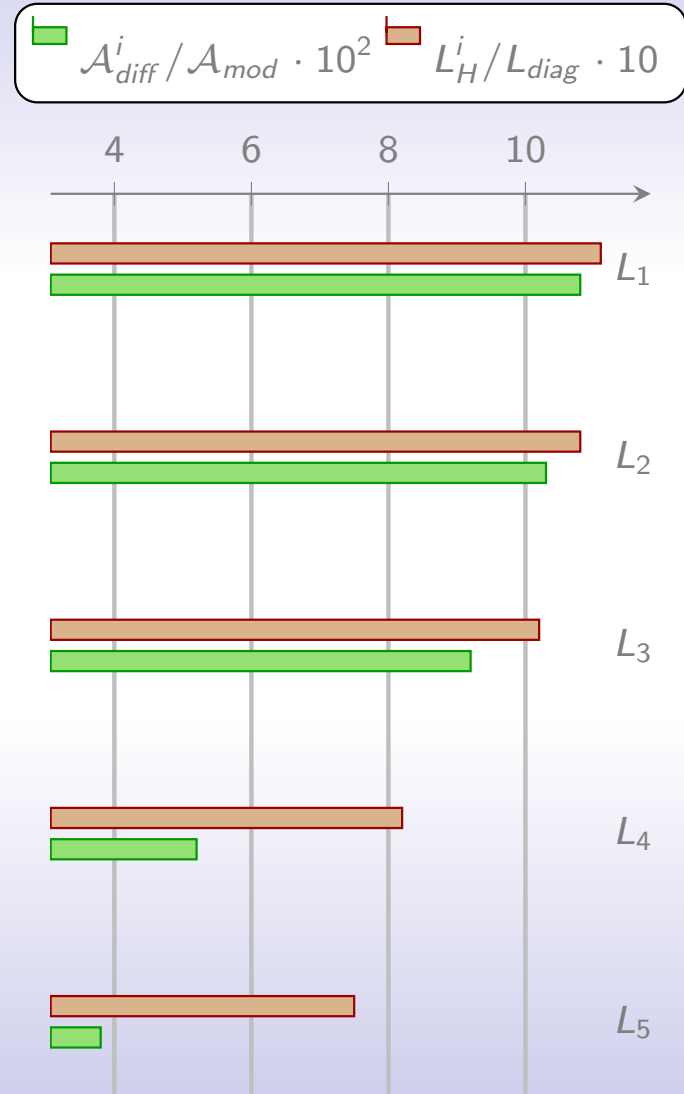
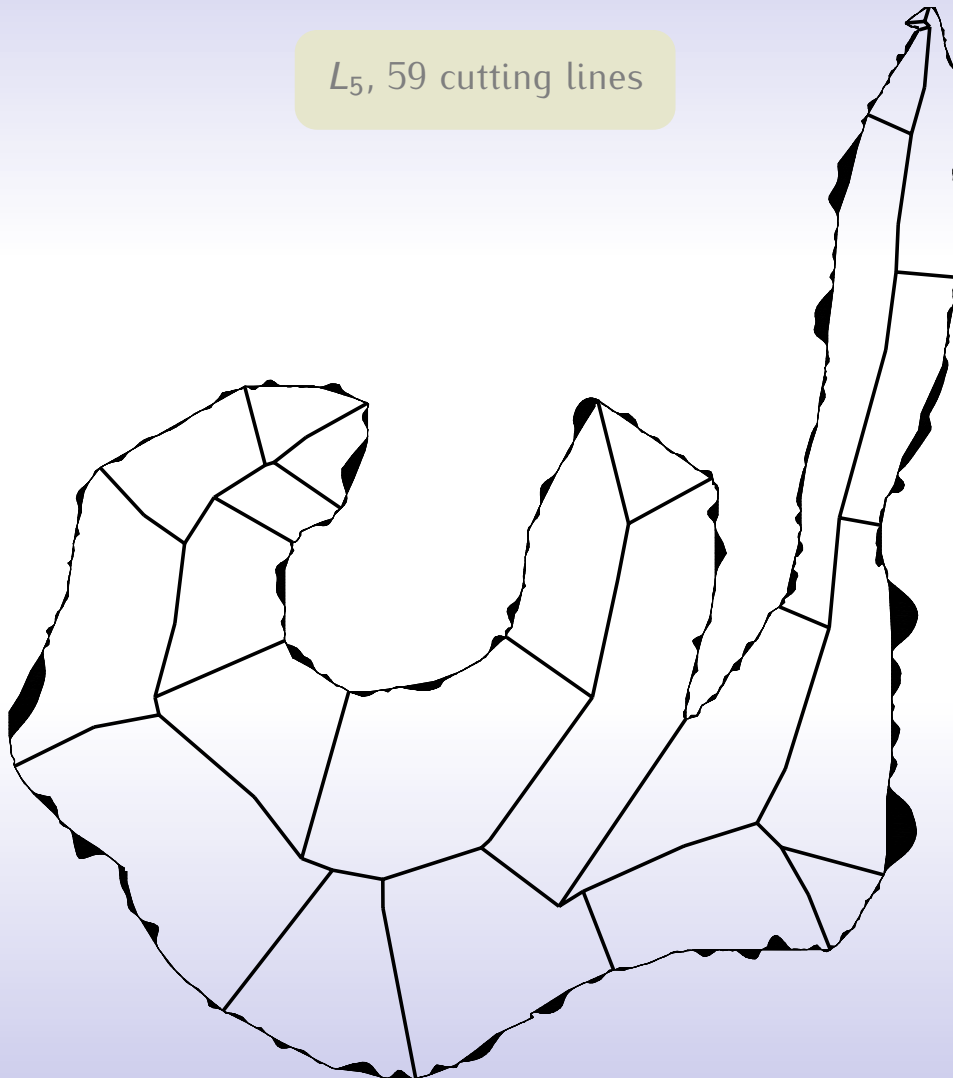
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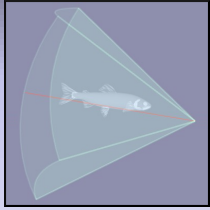




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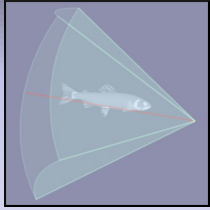




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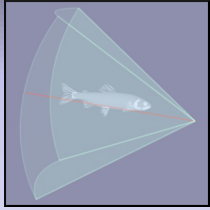
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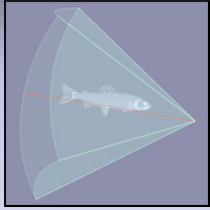
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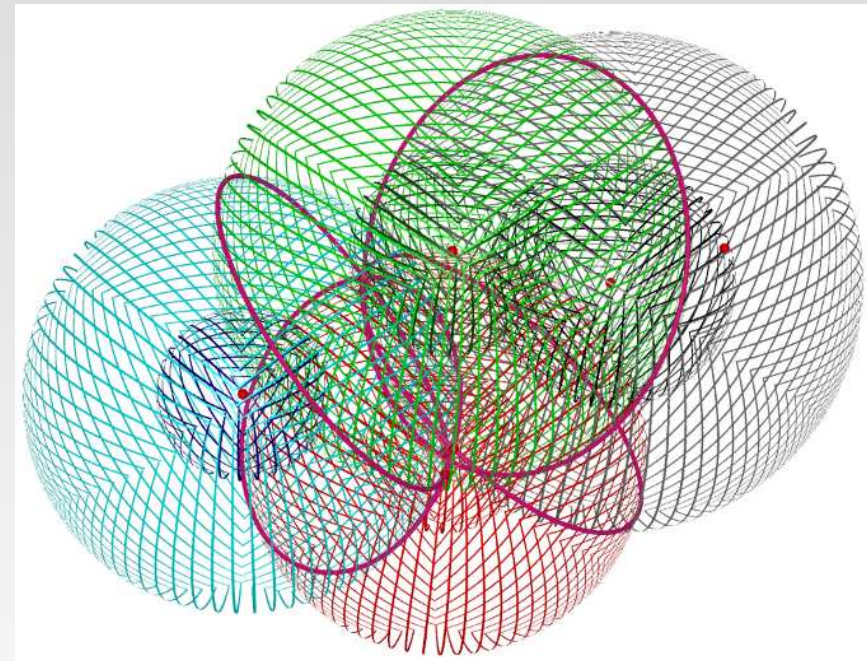
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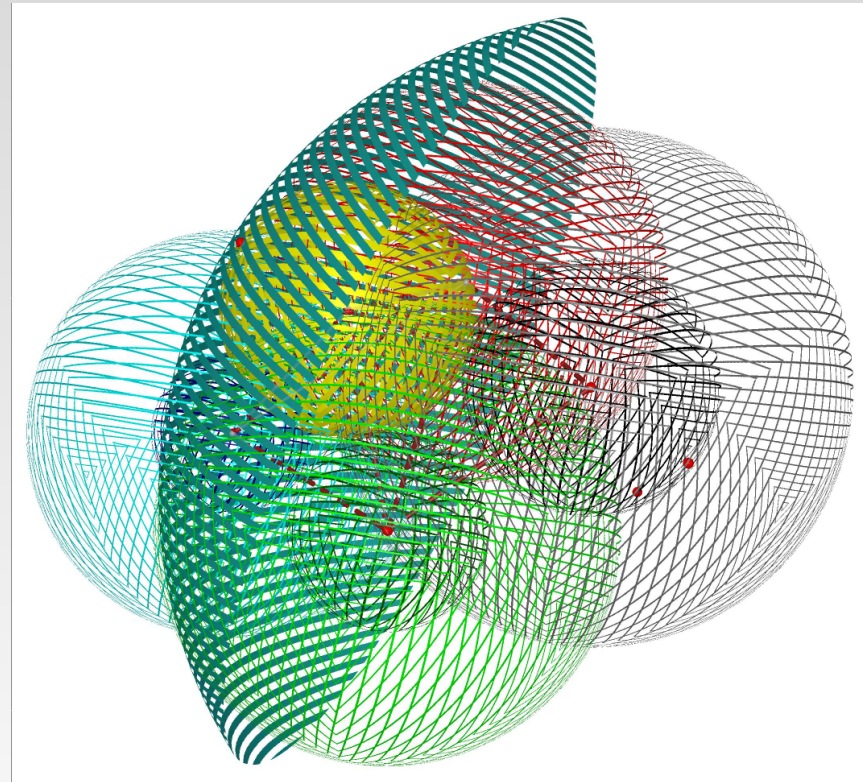
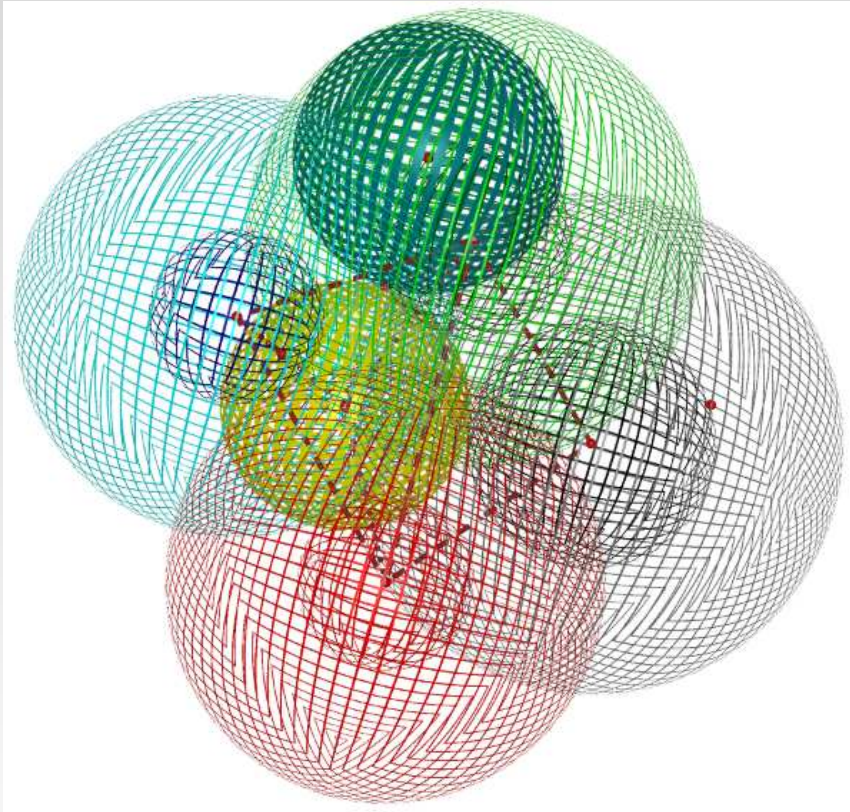
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5.1 Positive and negative offset loci

Delaunay empty circumsphere predicate for spheres



Relative position of a sphere with respect to the empty sphere

The polynomial stating the difference of squared distances between the Voronoi vertex and S_5 and between the Voronoi vertex and S_1 is:

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Proposition

The algebraic degree of the incircle predicate for spheres in the invariants and the variables defining the fifth sphere is 6. We need 6 times longer bits for the exact computation of the incircle predicate than the bits used for the invariants and the variables defining the fifth sphere.

Proof.

The incircle predicate is given by the sign of G . Since the denominator of v is $2J$, the greatest common divider of all the terms in the expansion of G is $A^2 J^2 \geq 0$. In the generic case ($A^2 J^2 \neq 0$), we can rewrite G as a rational function, whose numerator degree in the invariants and the variables defining S_5 is the degree of the monomials $mKA^2 J^2$ or $(j^2 + k^2 + l^2 - m^2) A^2 J^2$, which is 6. Bounding all the invariants and the variables defining S_5 as in [9], we need 6 times longer bits. □

Conclusions

This research work provides a significative simplification using invariants for the exact computation of vertices of the Voronoi diagram of spheres and the empty circumsphere criterion as well as their geometric invariants. This work has a direct application in Geodesy: the optimal placement of the system of GPS satellites and the determination of the geometric uncertainty of the determination of coordinates by GPS as a function of the placement of the GPS satellites. Further work will address these applications as well as the application of the automatic derivation and simplification of invariants to the Delaunay graph and Voronoi diagram of quadrics.



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Third part: Applications to Image Analysis through the dual graph of the Delaunay graph, which is isomorphic to the medial axis

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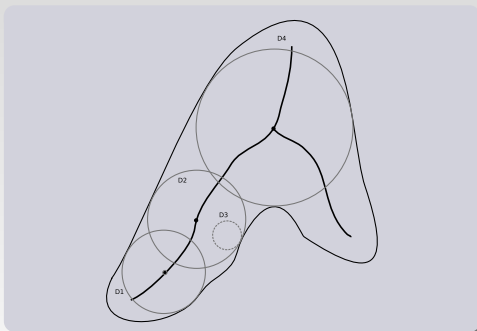
Research Objectives

- 1 To show graph isomorphism between the medial axis of an object and a dual of its Delaunay graph.
- 2 To design a methodology to automate delineation of boundary and centreline of objects from digital images.

What is a Skeleton?

A skeleton of an object can be described as its centreline.

More formally, a skeleton is the locus of the centre of maximal inscribed discs.



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- Mainly process binary images.
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Graph Isomorphism between Medial Axis and a Dual of Delaunay Graph

Our approach to medial axis is based on the graph isomorphism between the medial axis and a dual of the Delaunay graph. In order to show the isomorphism, let's define the following graphs

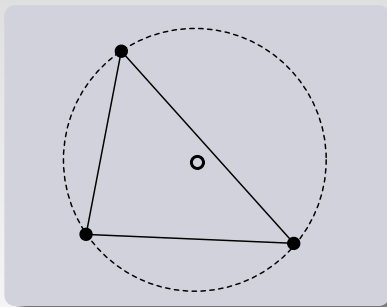
- *IDG*: Interior Delaunay Graph (a subset of Delaunay graph) which represents the object boundary.
- *DIDG*: Dual of *IDG* constructed by application of our rules.

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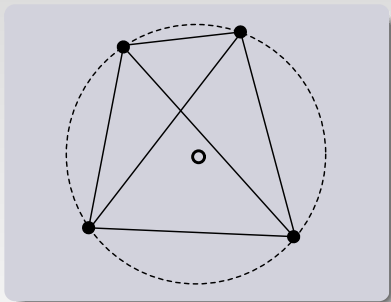


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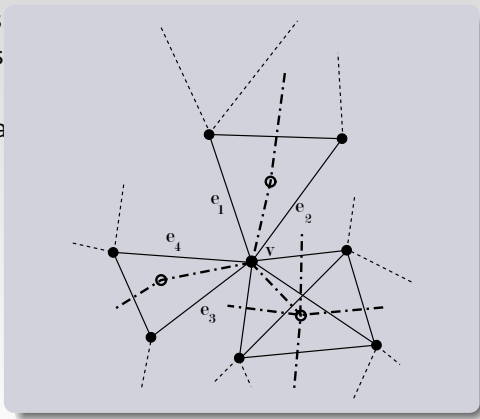


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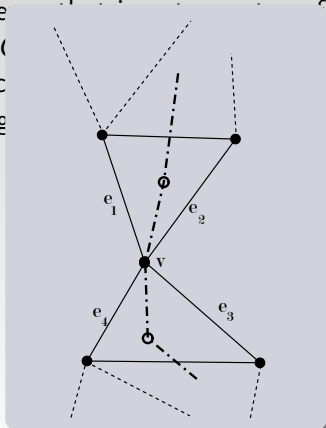
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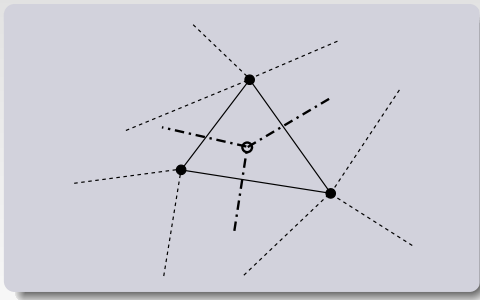


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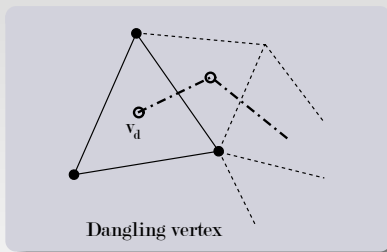
- **Ramification vertices:** the vertices $DIDG$ that have a degree greater than two.
- **Dangling vertices:** the vertices of $DIDG$ that have degree one.

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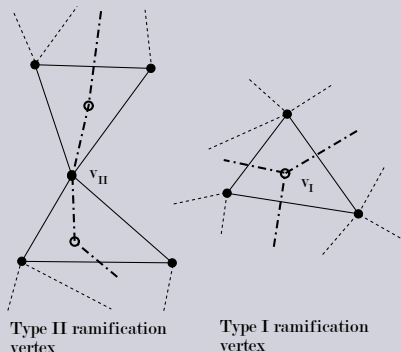
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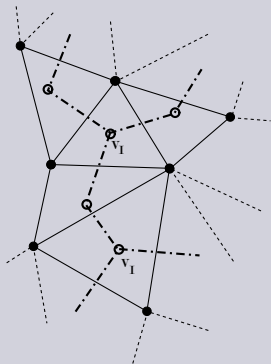
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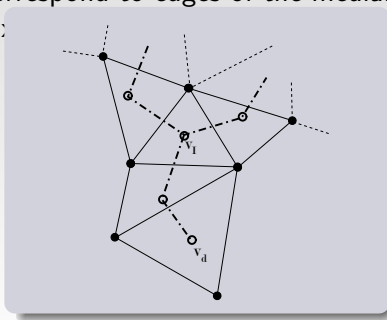
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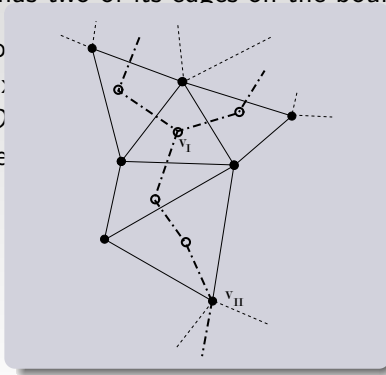
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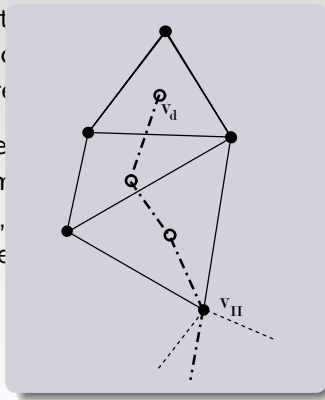
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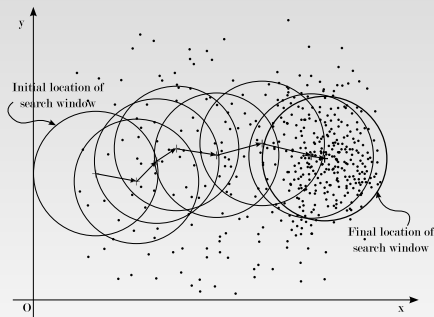
Automated Approach to Skeletonization

Following is our general approach to skeletonization:

- 1 Segment a color image into prominent objects.
- 2 Ask the user if he or she wants to process all the objects independently (automatic process) or select an object (semi-automatic process).
- 3 Collect sample points for each object to be processed.
- 4 Construct the Delaunay triangulation and its dual from the sample points.
- 5 Extract the medial axis using rules described before.

Image Segmentation using Mean Shift Algorithm

Mode seeking using mean shift algorithm



The final window location gives the local maxima of the distribution

Image Segmentation using Mean Shift Algorithm

Image segmentation

Mean shift algorithm can be applied to segment images [4]. Following general procedure is used:

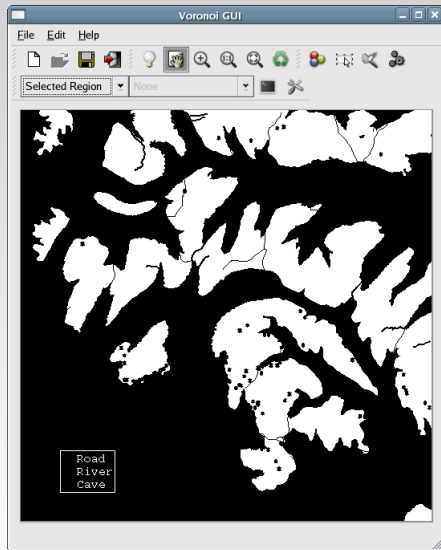
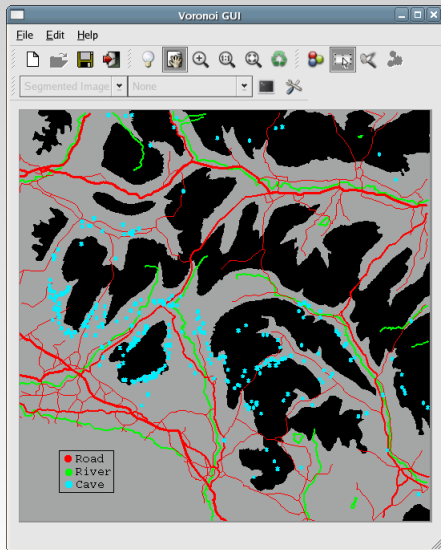
- 1 Definition of segmentation parameters
- 2 Definition of search window
- 3 Mean shift algorithm
- 4 Removal of detected feature
- 5 Iterations
- 6 Determining initial feature palette
- 7 Determining final feature palette
- 8 Postprocessing

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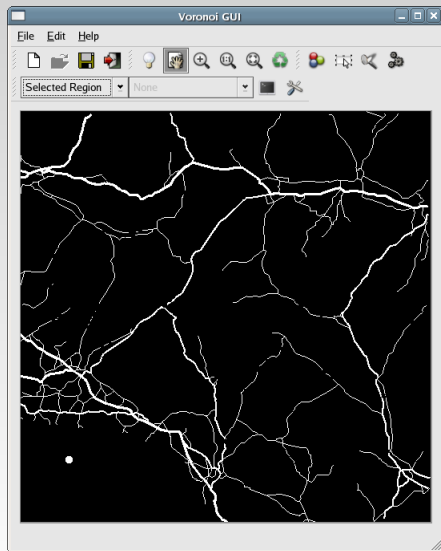
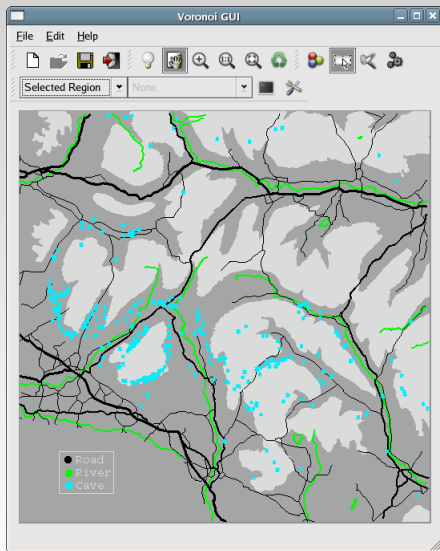
Image segmentation results



Object Selection from Segmented Image

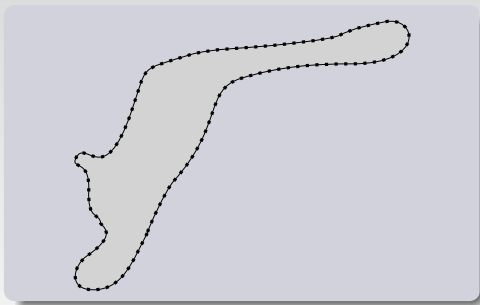


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Sampling the Object Boundary

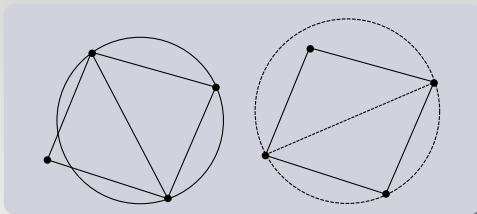
A selected object must be sampled before it any processing.
The sampled points are then used to compute the Delaunay triangulation and the Voronoi diagram.



This can be achieved by edge detection. Edge pixels are calculated using morphological edge detection from the binary image of the selected object.

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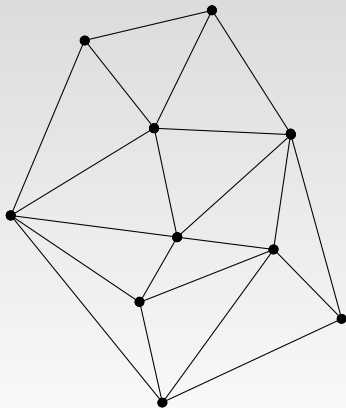


Incircle criterion:

$$H(p_a, p_b, p_c, p_d) = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & x_a & y_a & x_a^2 + y_a^2 \\ 1 & x_b & y_b & x_b^2 + y_b^2 \\ 1 & x_c & y_c & x_c^2 + y_c^2 \\ 1 & x_d & y_d & x_d^2 + y_d^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

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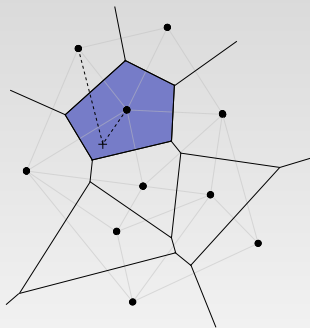
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Computed using the **incremental algorithm**.

Computation of the Voronoi Diagram

Voronoi diagram is an irregular (polygonal) tessellation of space that adapts to spatial objects. They are synthesis of raster and vector model.

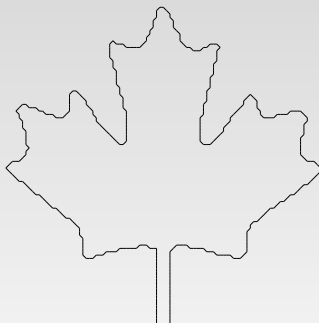


The Voronoi region of point p_i is given by:

$$V(p_i) = \{x \mid \|x - x_i\| \leq \|x - x_j\| \text{ for } j \neq i, j \in I_n\}$$

Extraction of Crust (Boundary)

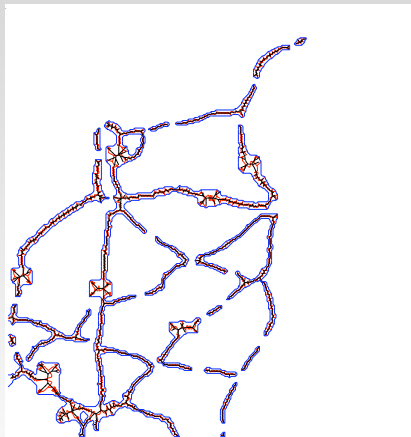
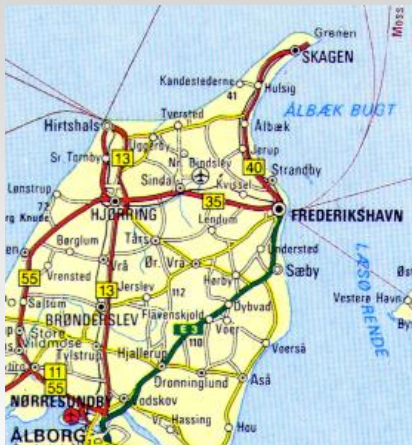
Any Delaunay edge that has a circle that does not contain the vertices of its dual Voronoi edge belongs to the **Crust**[2, 3].



The crust forms the *IDG*. We obtain the *DIDG* by application of our set of rules to *IDG*.

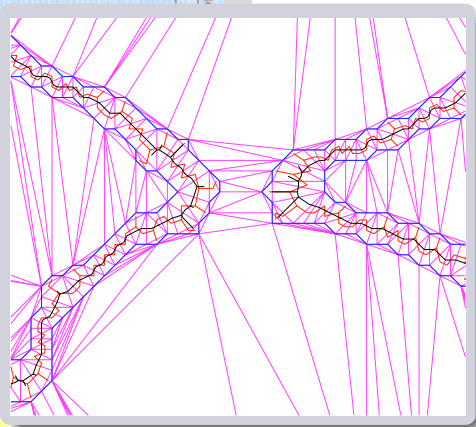
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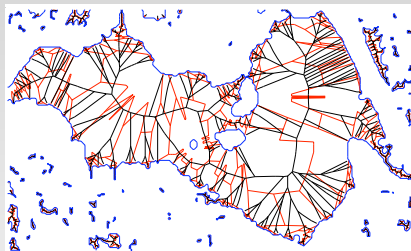


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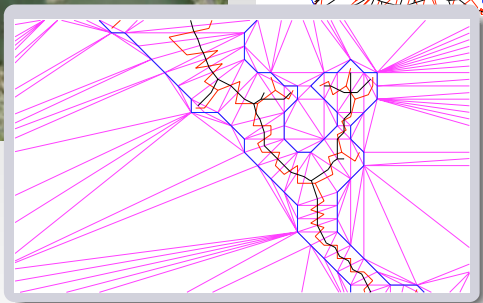
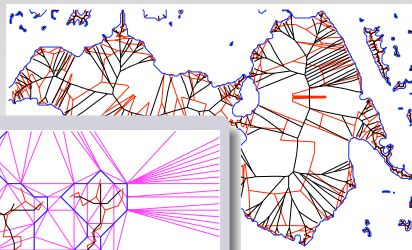
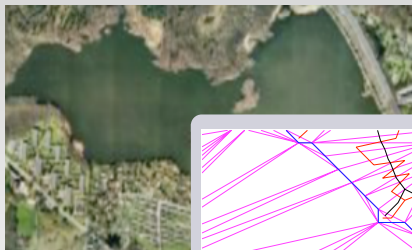


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Conclusions

- We have shown medial axis computation by utilising the graph isomorphism between the medial axis and a dual of the Delaunay graph.
- We outlined a methodology to automate various parts of digitization from scanned maps has been suggested.
- We developed an interactive software application to compute medial axis of objects from digital images and digitize features.
- We show Applicability of the designed method to two types of digital images, scanned maps and satellite images.

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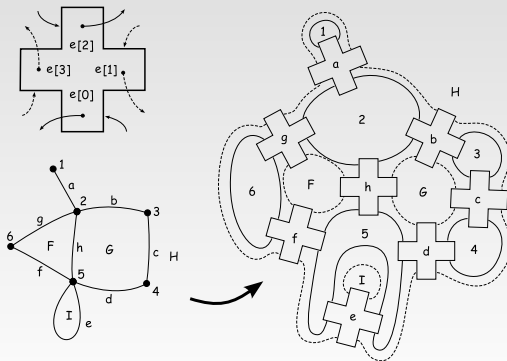
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Quad-Edge Data Structure

- A Quad-edge simultaneously represents a graph and its dual.
- Dual of a mesh exchanges faces and vertices.
- The edges of the graph are directed and there are four such edges representing two symmetric edges from both the graph and its dual.



Quad-Edge Data Structure

Two atomic operators for navigation:

- **Rot()** points to a 90° counterclockwise rotated edge.
- **Onext()** points to the next counterclockwise edge sharing the same origin with the current edge.

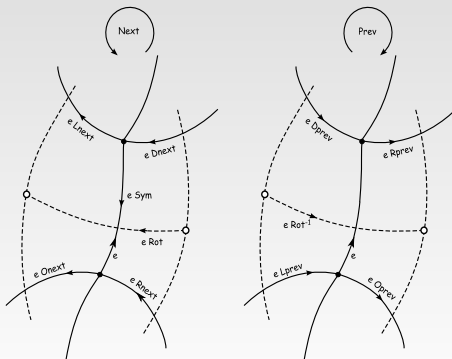
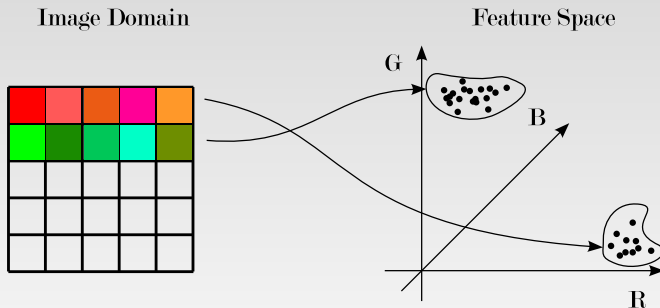


Image Space to Feature Space

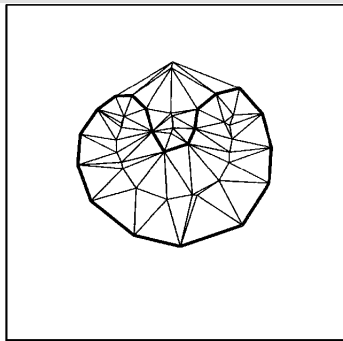
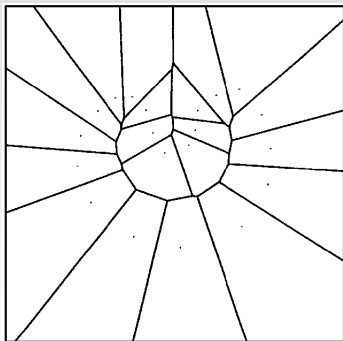
Clustering is done in **Feature Space** using **Mean Shift algorithm**. Conversion from Image Space to Feature Space is performed before clustering.



Crust Condition

[1]:

Let S be a finite set of points in a plane, and let V be the vertices of the Voronoi diagram of S . Let S' be the union $S \cup V$, and consider the Delaunay triangulation of S' . An edge of the Delaunay triangulation of S' belongs to the *crust* of S if both of its endpoints belong to S .



Crust Condition

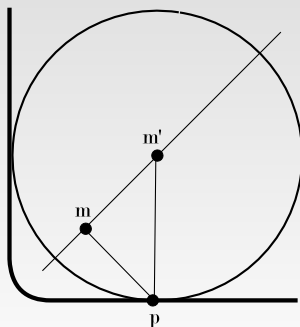
One step formulation by Christopher Gold:

$$(s - q) \cdot (s - r) * (p - q) \cdot (p - r) \geq - (s - r) \cdot v * (p - q) \cdot v$$

Where, $\text{edge}(q, r)$ is the Delaunay edge under the test and $\text{edge}(p, s)$ froms the dual Voronoi edge. v is a vector 90° clockwise from $(r - q)$.

Sampling Condition

Let F be a smooth curve and $S \subset F$ be a finite set of sample points on F . The sampling should be done such that the distance from any point p on F to the nearest sample $s \in S$ is at most a constant factor r times the *local feature size* at p , which is defined as the distance from p to the *medial axis* of F .



Distance $d(p, m)$ defines the local feature size.