

The Semantics of Shape

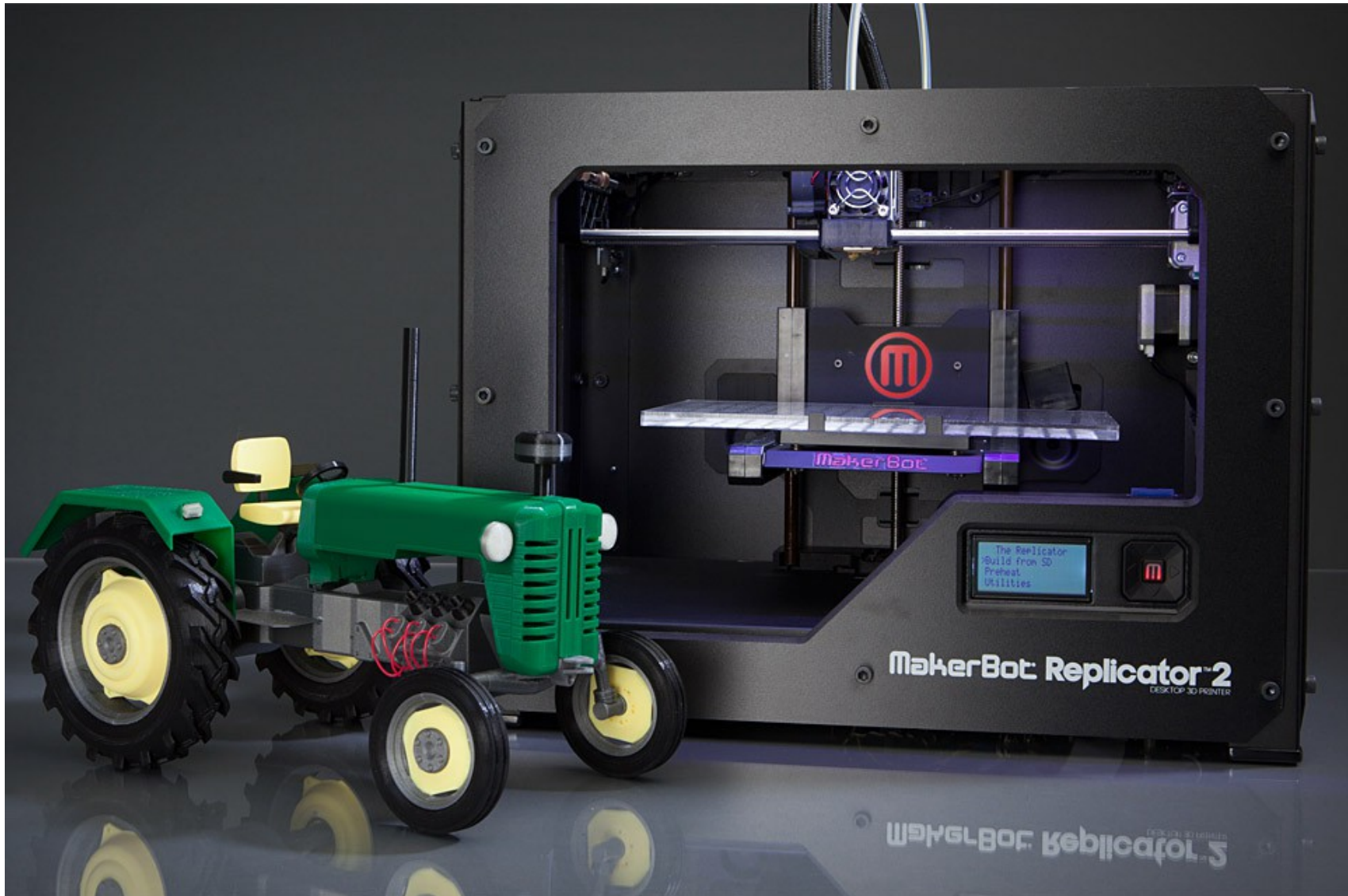
Computational Methods for
High-Level 3D Shape Analysis

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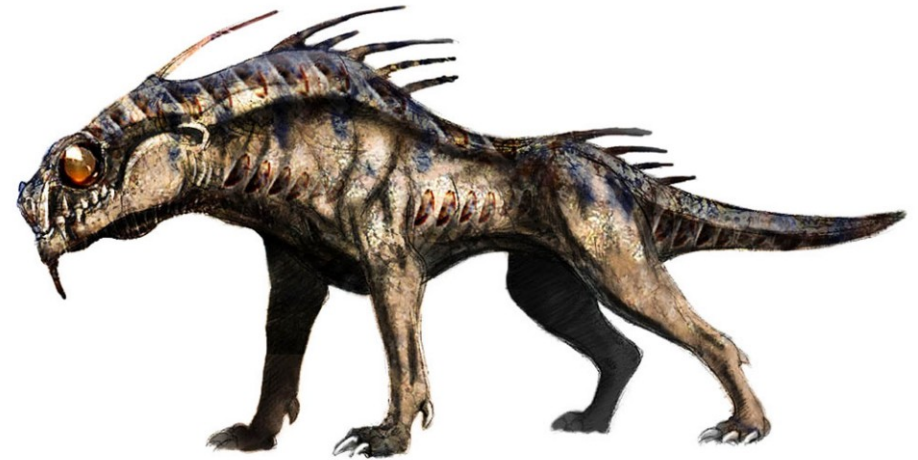
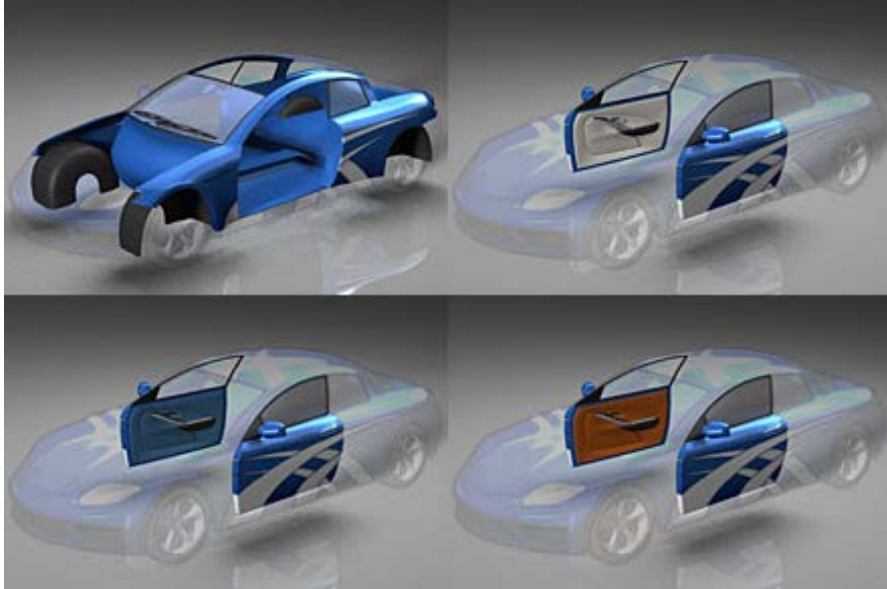


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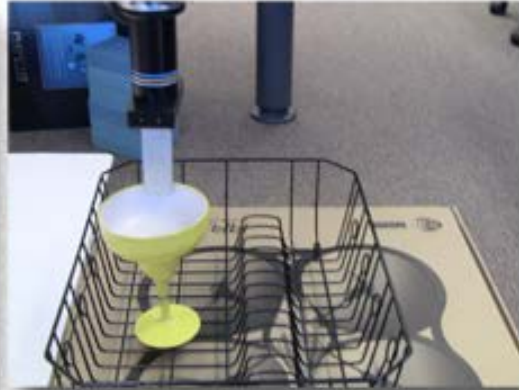


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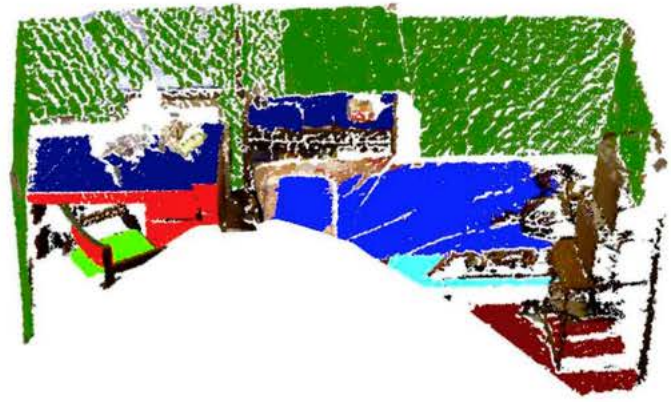
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Original Scene



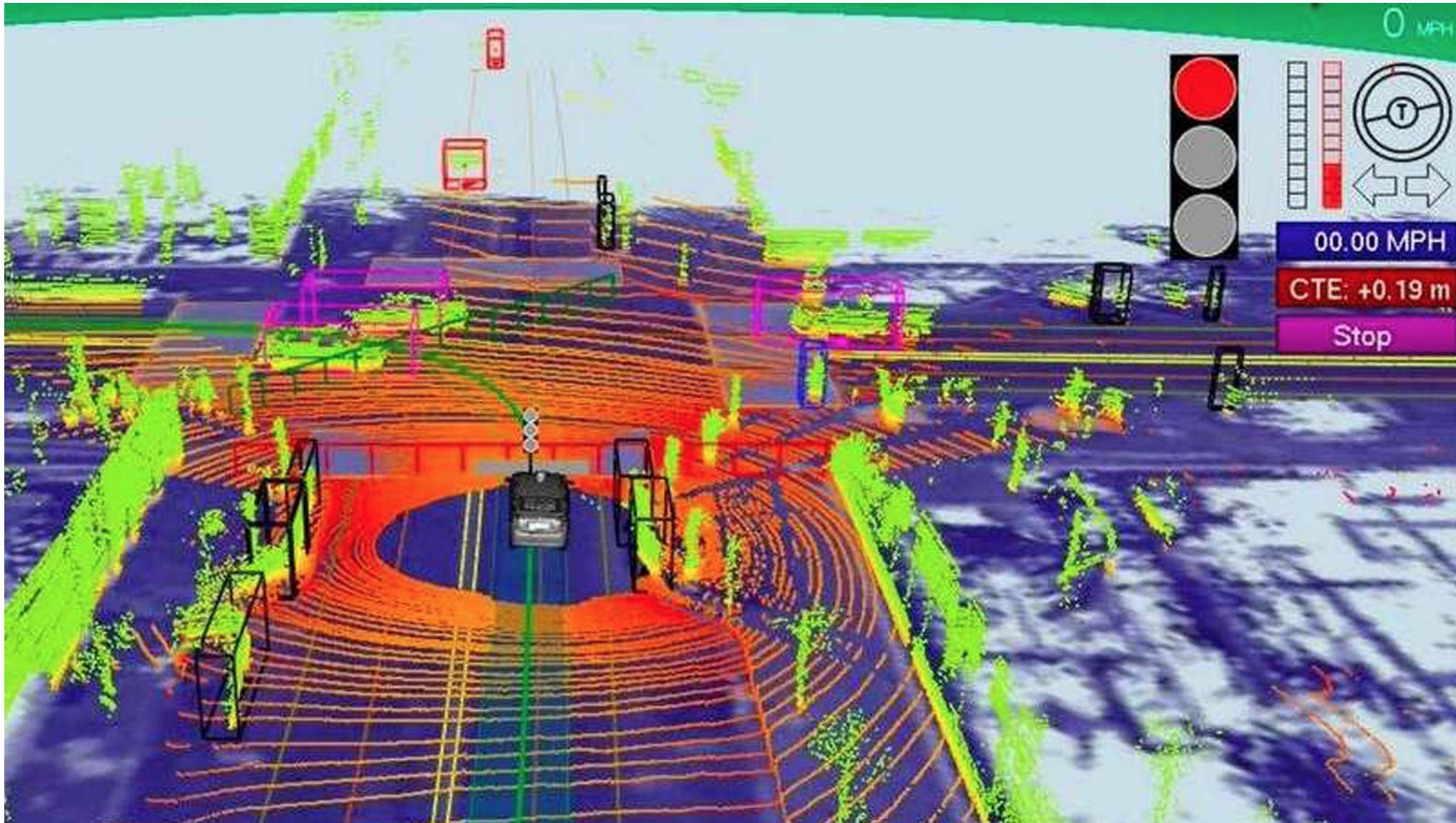
Ground Truth Labels



Predicted Labels



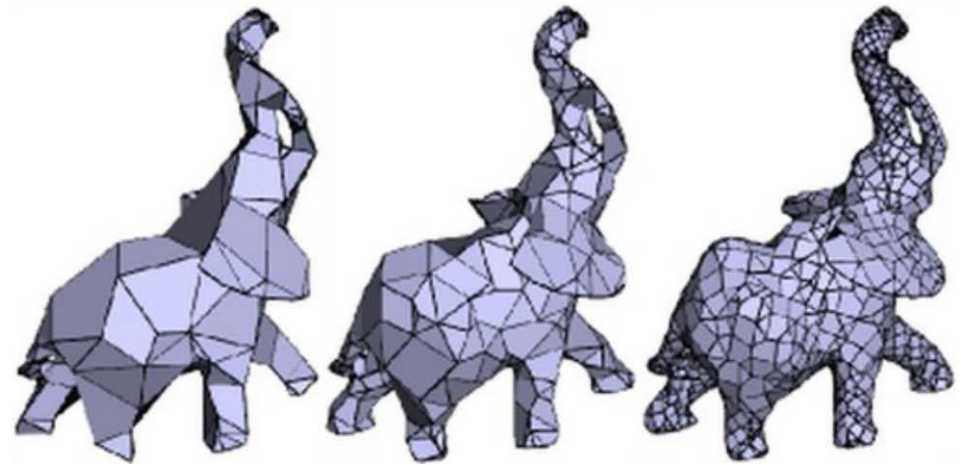
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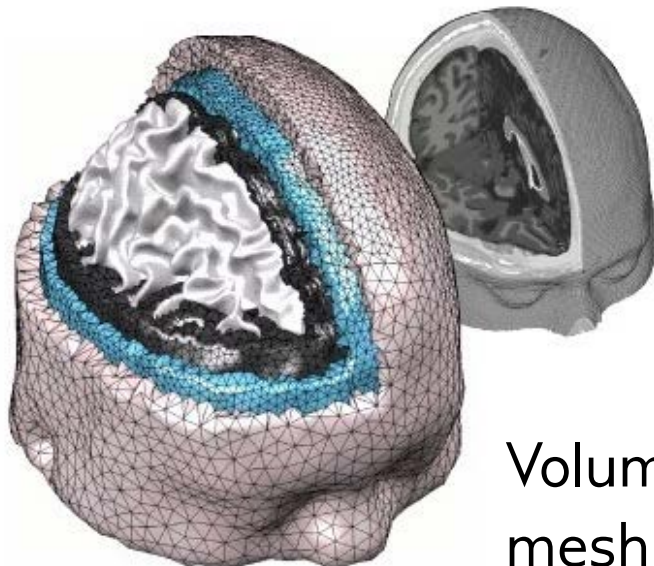
Shape Representations



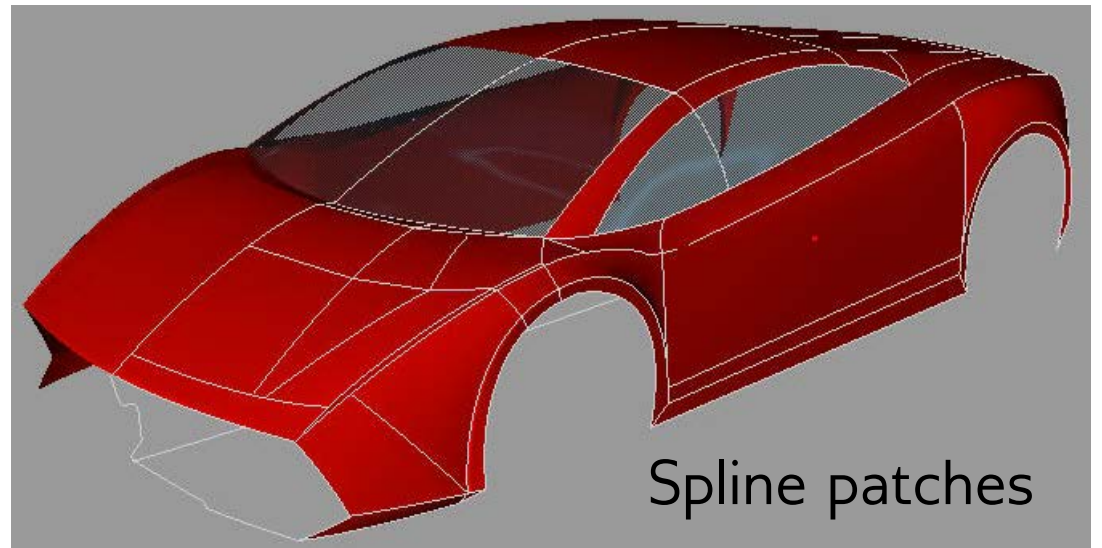
Point cloud



Polygon mesh

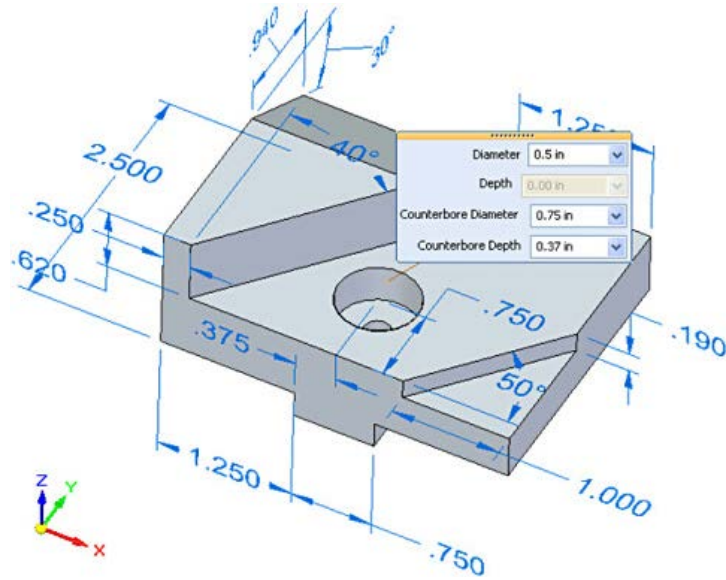


Volumetric
mesh

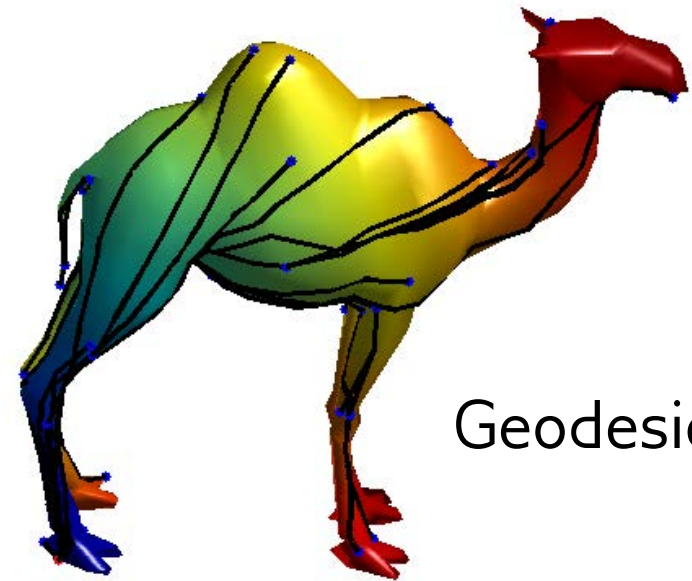


Spline patches

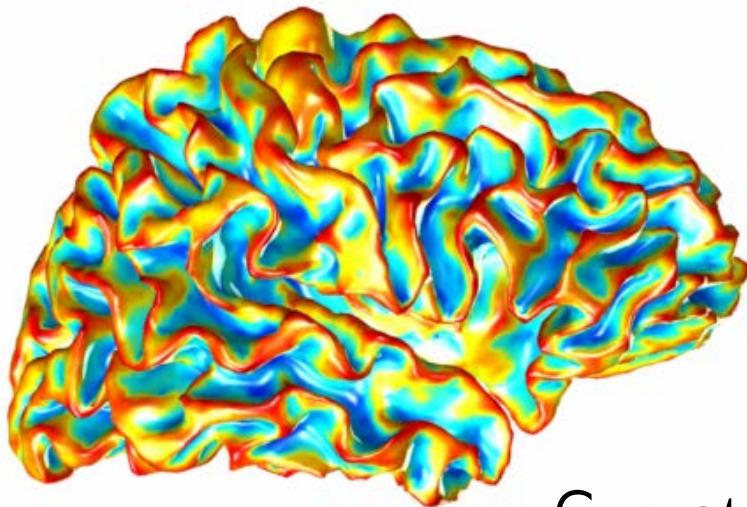
“Low-Level” Geometric Analysis



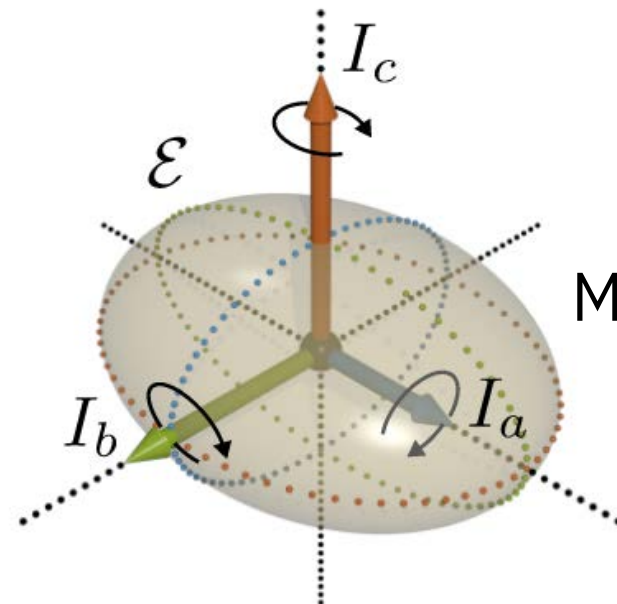
Dimensions



Geodesics

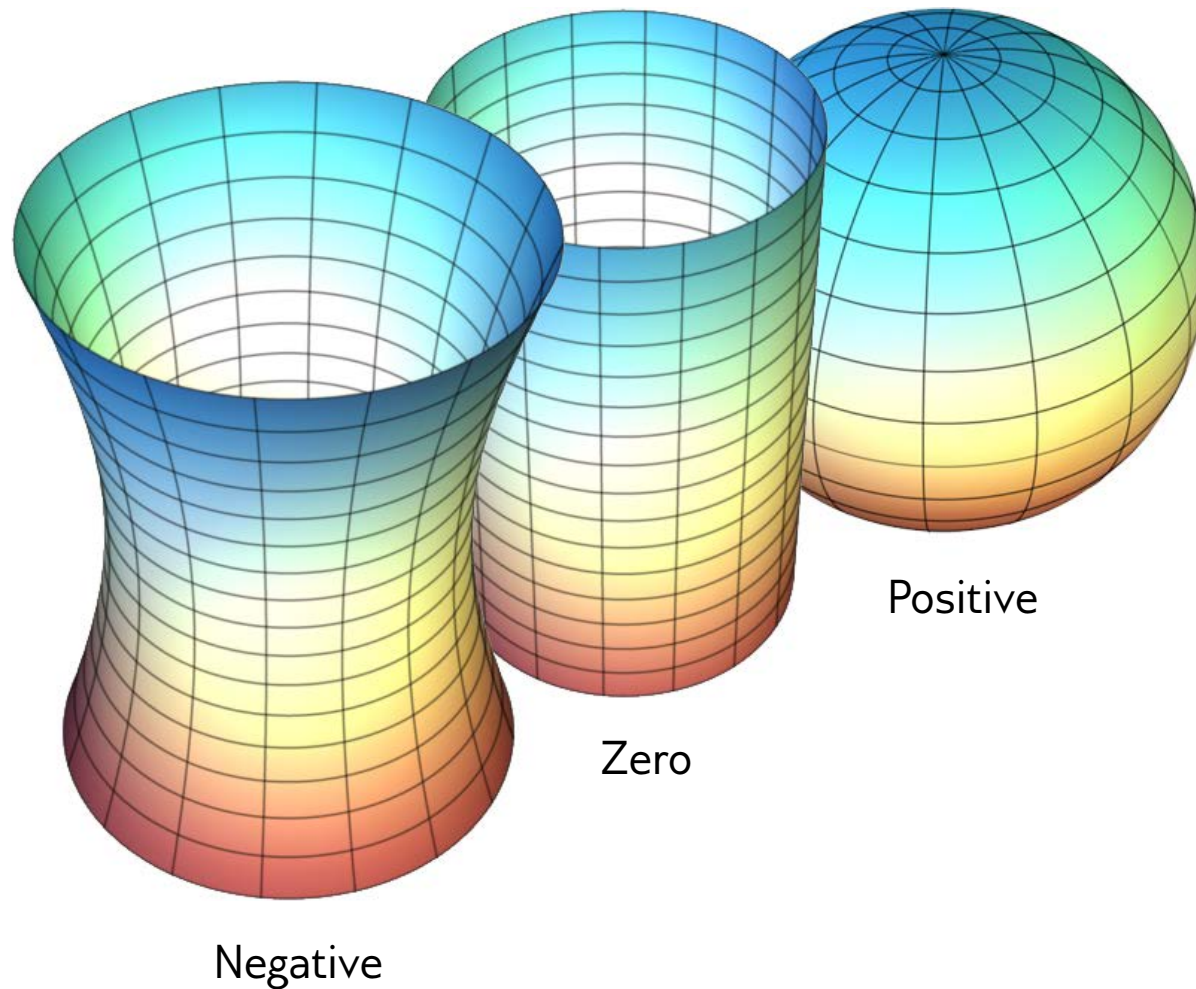


Curvature

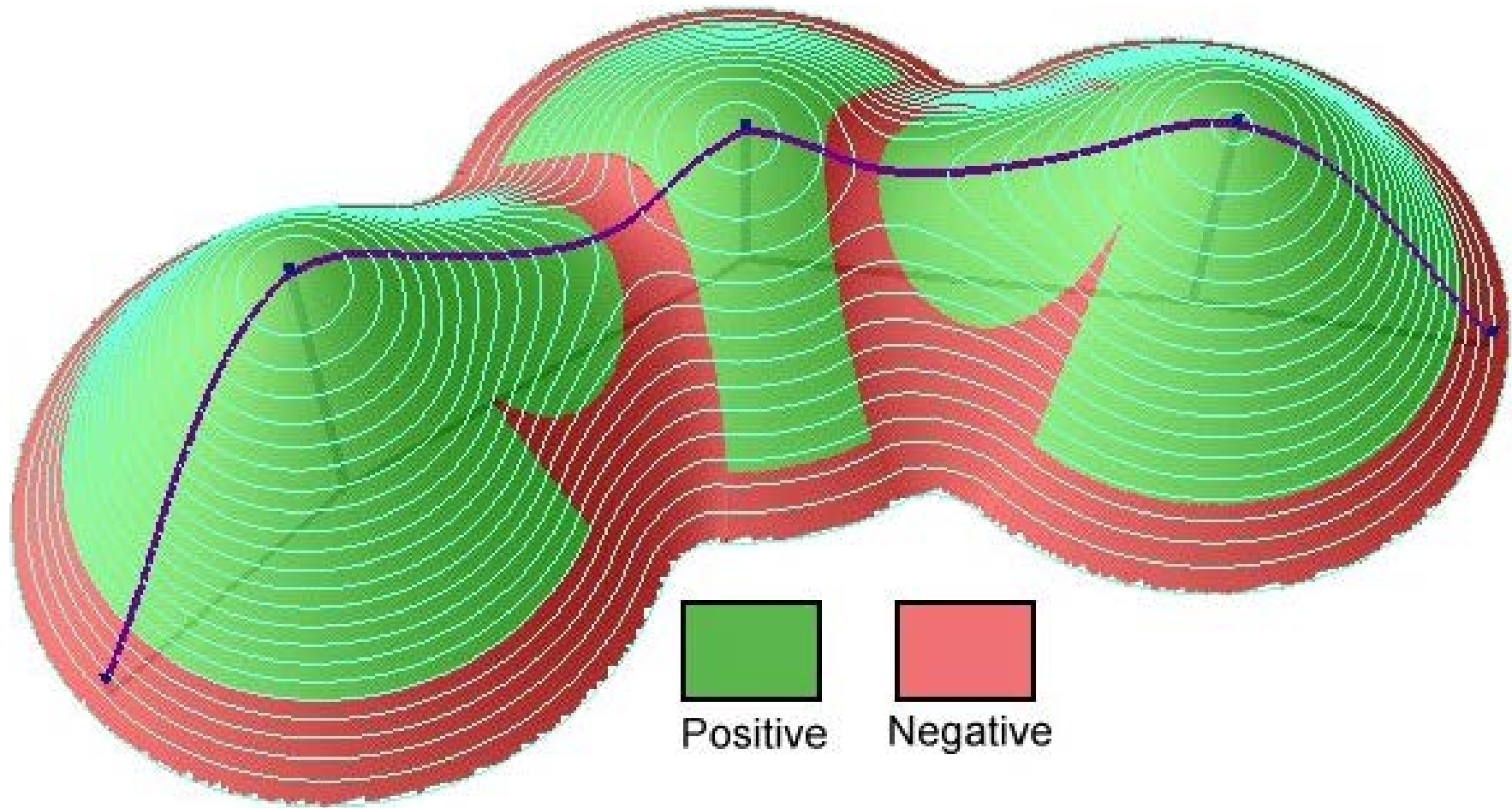


Moments

Gaussian Curvature



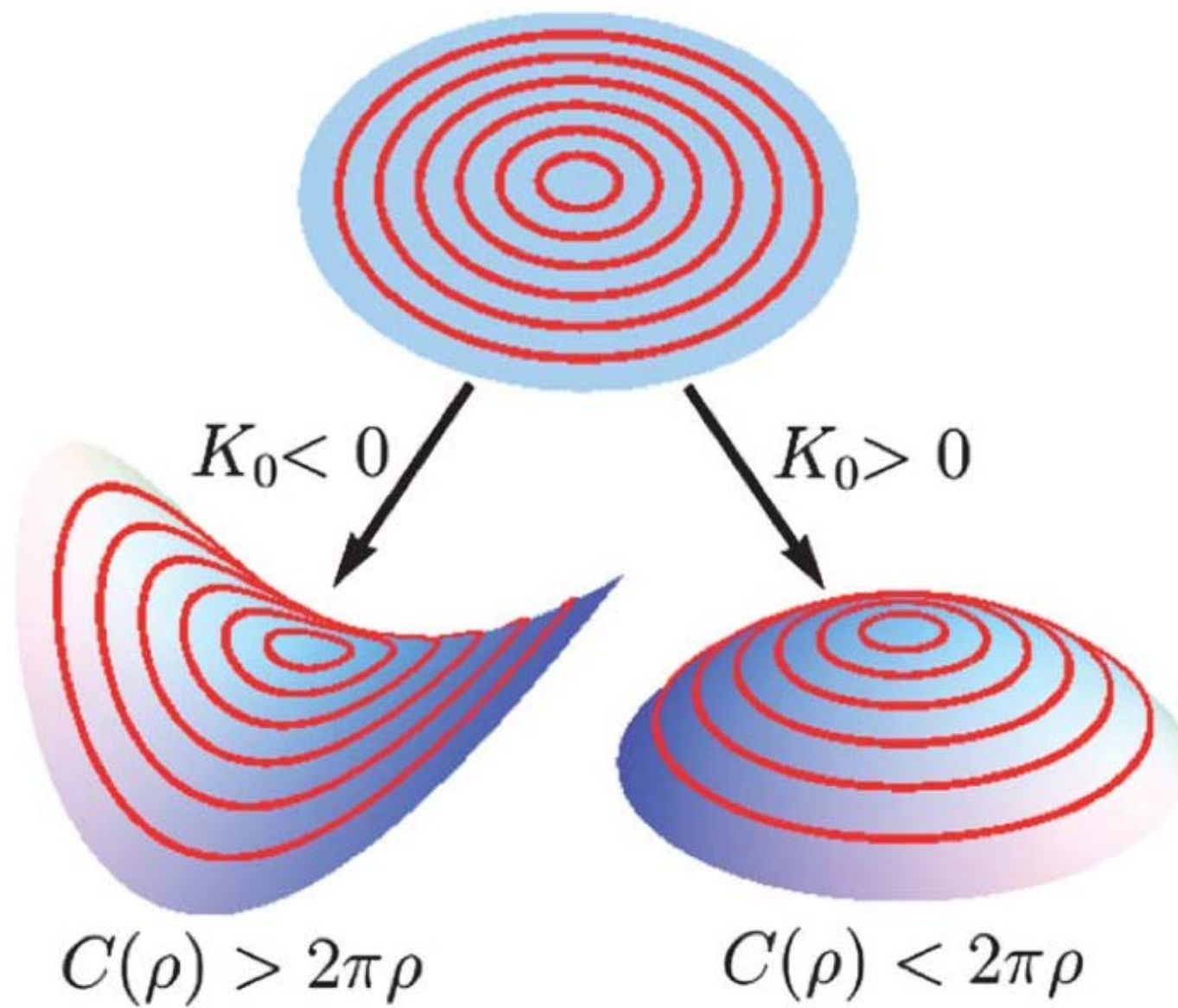
Gaussian Curvature



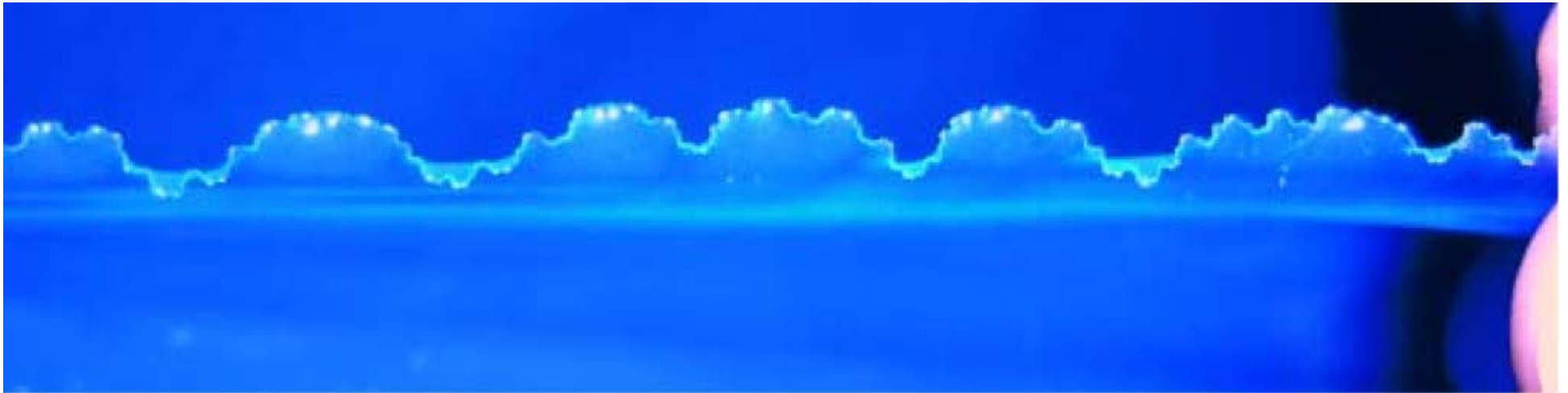
Can a 2D ant on a 2D surface tell if it lives in a space of positive, negative or zero curvature?

Can a person, in 3D?

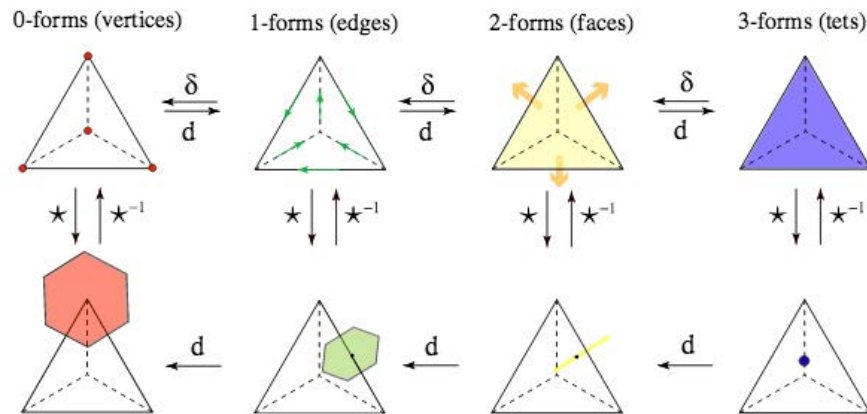
Yes, by measuring distances!



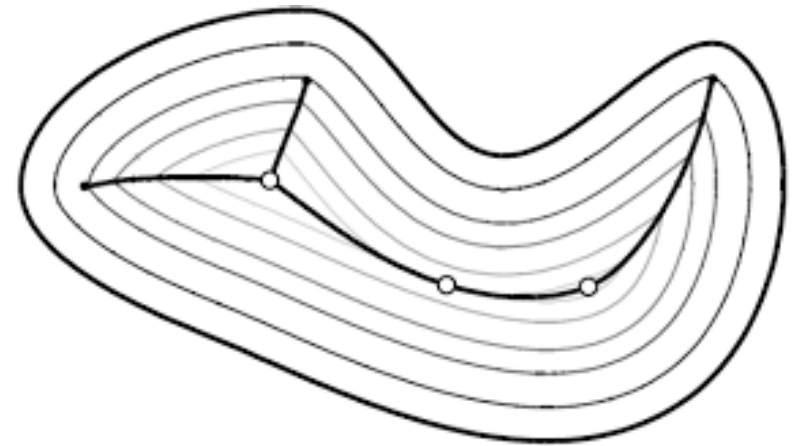




“Low-Level” Geometric Analysis



Discrete Differential Geometry



Medial Axis Transform



Spectral Decomposition

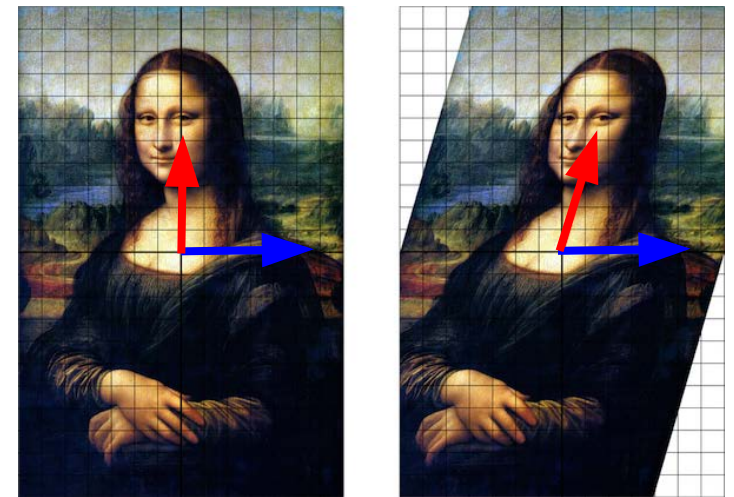
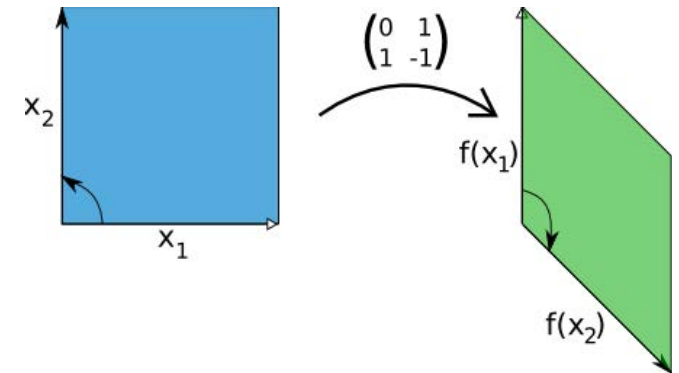
Matrices as transformations

- Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix
 - It can be thought of as a function that maps a vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to a vector $A\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- A is a **linear transformation**
 - f is linear if $f(a + b) = f(a) + f(b)$
- An **eigenvalue** of A is a scalar λ such that

$$A\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{x}$$

where \mathbf{x} is some n -D vector

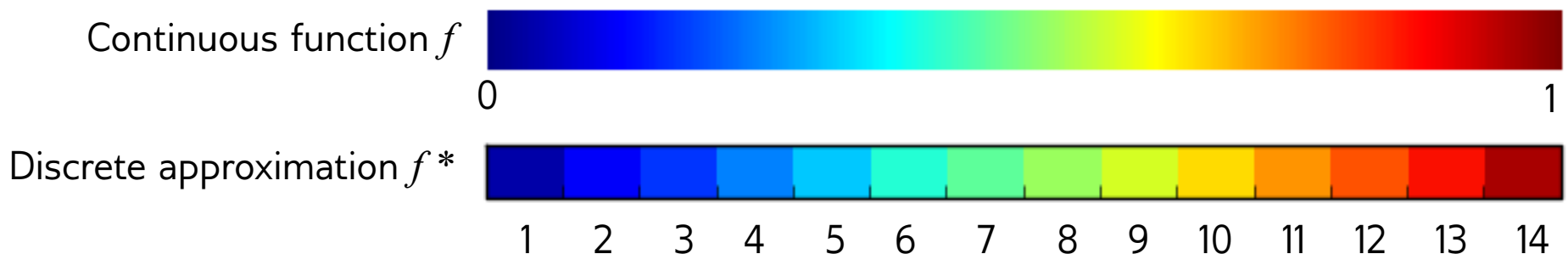
- \mathbf{x} is the corresponding **eigenvector**



Blue arrow is eigenvector of shear transform, red is not

Functions as vectors

- Functions from A to B form a vector space: we can think of functions as “vectors”
 - E.g. we can commutatively add two functions:
$$f + g = g + f$$
 - Or distribute multiplication with a scalar: $s(f + g) = sf + sg$
- A function f can be **discretized** to an n -D vector of sampled values: $[f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n)]$



Linear operators

- An **operator** T is a mapping from a vector space U to another vector space V
 - T is a **linear operator** if $T(a + b) = T(a) + T(b)$
- The set of functions F from domain A to codomain B is a vector space
 - So we can have operators T that map from one function space F to another function space G
 - Note that T maps functions to functions!
- The differentials $\frac{d}{dx}$, $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$, $\frac{d^3}{dx^3}$ etc are linear operators
 - They map functions to their derivatives

Eigenfunctions of operators

- An **eigenvalue** of a linear operator T that maps a vector space to itself is a scalar λ s.t.

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda \mathbf{x}$$

and \mathbf{x} is the corresponding **eigenvector**

- If T maps functions to functions, then we call \mathbf{x} an **eigenfunction**: $T(f) = \lambda f$

Discrete Linear Operators

- **Theorem:** Any linear operator between finite-dimensional vector spaces can be represented by a matrix
 - Let's say we have a set of functions F from A to B
 - The discrete versions of the functions form a finite-dimensional vector space F^* equivalent to \mathbb{R}^n
 - Each function is sampled at the same finite set of points
 - Let T be a linear operator from F to itself
 - ... and T^* be a “discrete version” of T acting on F^*
 - Then T^* can be represented by a $n \times n$ matrix (cf. theorem)

Example: Discrete Derivative

Continuous

- Function: f
- Operator: $\frac{d}{dx}$
- Applying operator:
$$\frac{df}{dx} = f'$$

Discrete

- Vector: $\mathbf{f} = [f(x_1), f(x_2) \dots f(x_n)]$
- Matrix:

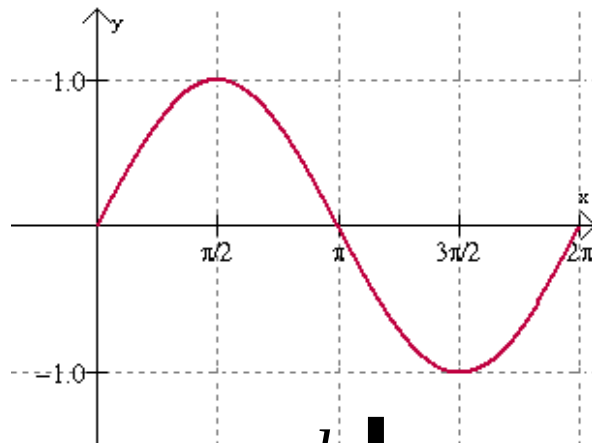
$$A = \frac{1}{h} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ & 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Applying matrix:

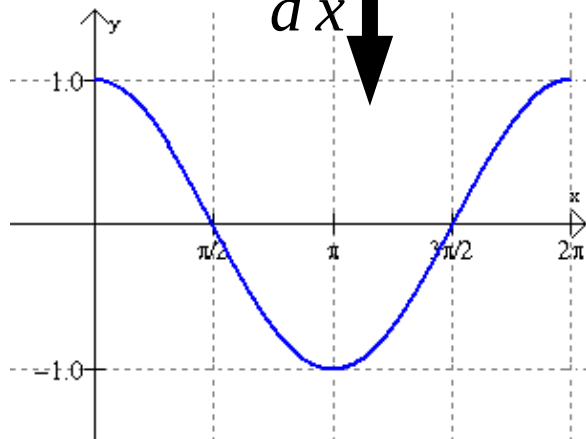
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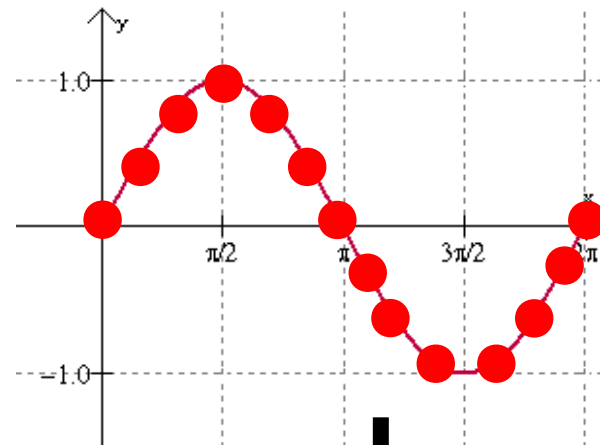
Continuous



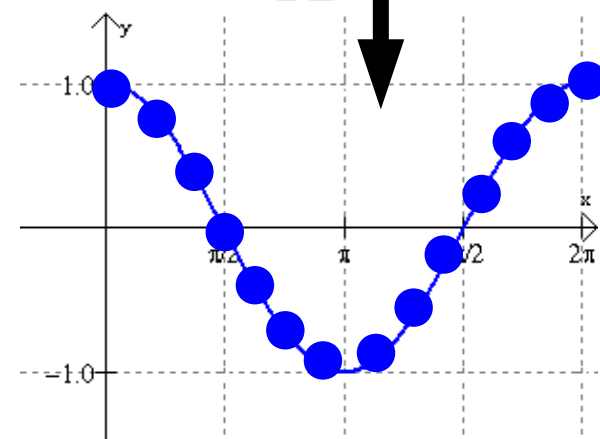
$\frac{d}{dx}$ ↓



Discrete



A ↓



Example: Discrete 2nd Derivative

Continuous

- Function: f
- Operator: $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$
- Applying operator:

$$\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} = f''$$

Discrete

- Vector: $\mathbf{f} = [f(x_1), f(x_2) \dots f(x_n)]$
- Matrix:

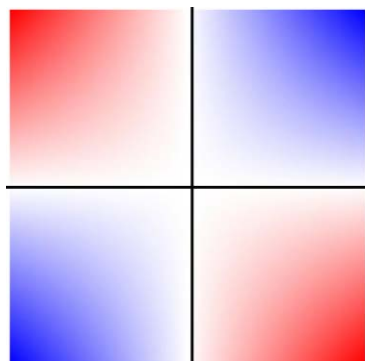
$$L = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ & 1 & -2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Applying matrix:

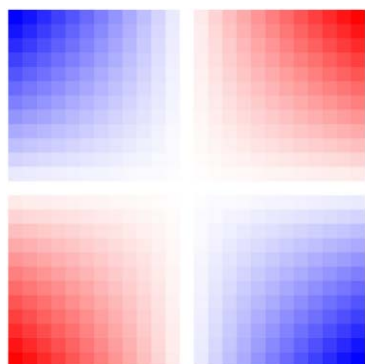
$$L\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f}''$$

Operators in higher dimensions

- The underlying function space can have a higher-dimensional domain



Continuous function



Discrete approximation

$$\begin{bmatrix} -4 & 1 & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & -4 & 1 & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & 1 & -4 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & \cdot & \cdot & -4 & 1 & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & 1 & \cdot & 1 & -4 & 1 & \cdot & 1 & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & 1 & -4 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & -4 & 1 & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & 1 & -4 & 1 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & \cdot & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

2D discrete Laplace operator

Interpreting eigenfunctions

- Eigenvalues of a linear operator form its **spectrum**
- The eigenfunctions are unchanged (except for scaling) when transformed by the operator
 - Think of them as standing waves on the domain
- E.g.

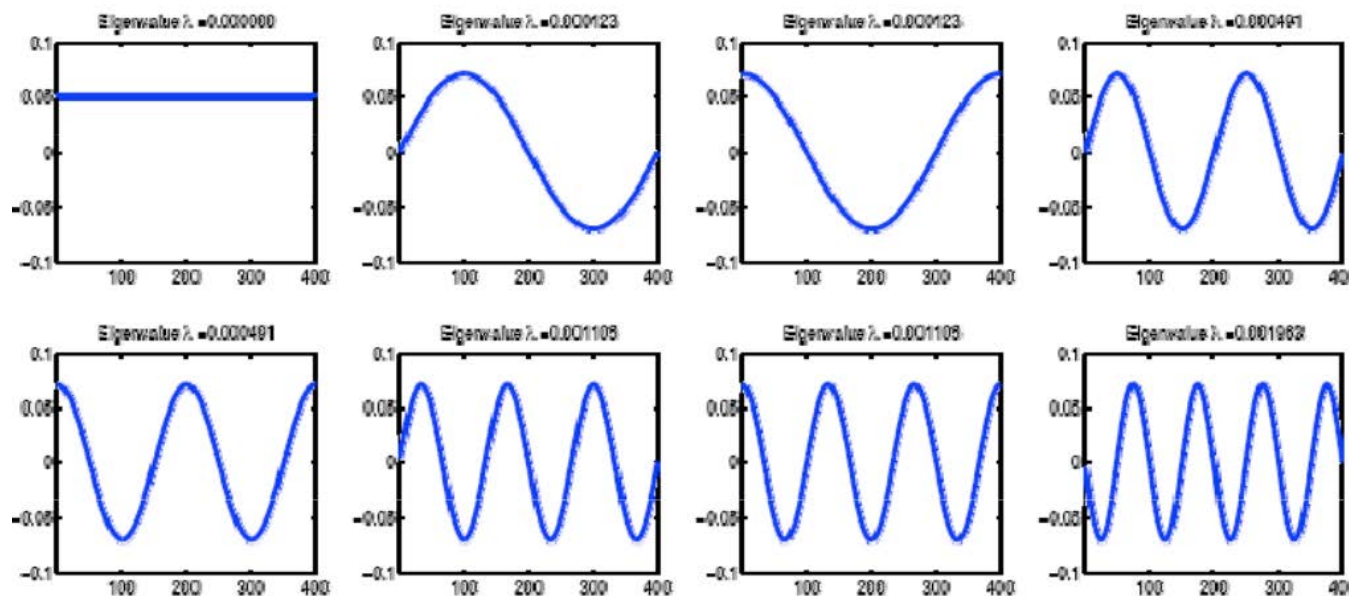
$$\frac{d^2 \sin(n x)}{d x^2} = -n^2 \times \sin(n x)$$

$$\frac{d^2 \cos(n x)}{d x^2} = -n^2 \times \cos(n x)$$

$$\frac{d^2 e^{\lambda x}}{d x^2} = \lambda^2 \times e^{\lambda x}$$

Interpreting eigenfunctions

- The eigenfunctions of the operator form a basis for the function space
 - E.g. the sinusoidal eigenfunctions of $\frac{d^2}{dx^2}$ form the Fourier basis



The first 8 sinusoidal eigenfunctions of the second derivative operator.
The eigenvalues are the negative squared frequencies.

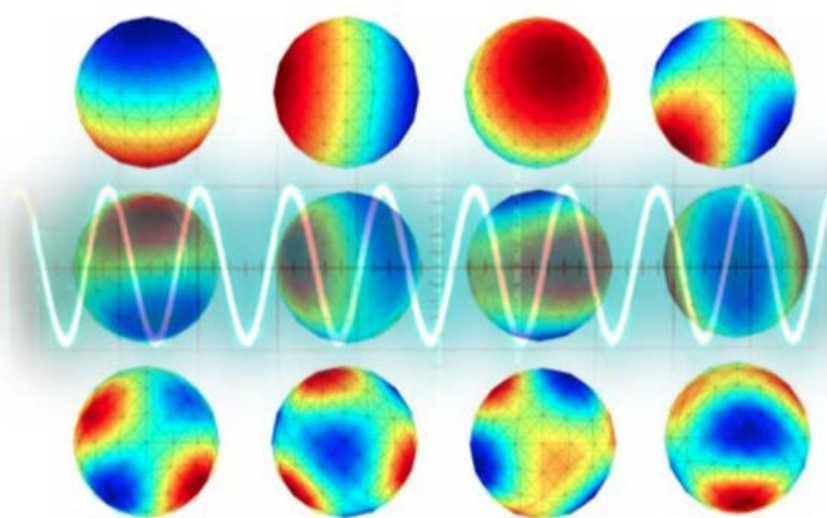
Operators on manifolds

- We can define a function on a manifold curve/surface!
 - E.g. the coordinate function: gives the (X, Y, Z) position of a point on the surface
- A common operator is the Laplace-Beltrami operator
 - Its eigenfunctions define a basis for functions over the surface



Eigenfunctions of Laplace-Beltrami

- *Intrinsic* basis for functions over surface
 - Doesn't change under isometry
- We can discretize it as usual: the function is defined at a fixed set of sample points on the shape



Eigenfunctions of Laplace-Beltrami

- The spectrum of the L-B operator characterizes the intrinsic geometry of the shape
- Two shapes related by isometry have the same Laplace-Beltrami spectrum



Expressing a function with eigenfunctions

- Continuous:**

$$f(p) = w_1 \varphi_1(p) + w_2 \varphi_2(p) + \dots + w_n \varphi_n(p)$$

- Discrete:**

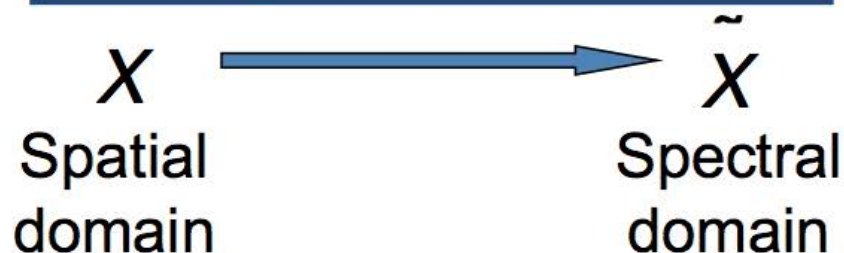
$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{e}_i \tilde{x}_i = \begin{bmatrix} E_{11} \\ E_{21} \\ \vdots \\ E_{n1} \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 + \dots + \begin{bmatrix} E_{1n} \\ E_{2n} \\ \vdots \\ E_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_n = \begin{bmatrix} E_{11} & \dots & E_{1n} \\ E_{21} & \dots & E_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ E_{n1} & \dots & E_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = E \tilde{X}$$

$$\tilde{X} = E^T X$$

$$\tilde{x}_i = \mathbf{e}_i^T \cdot X.$$

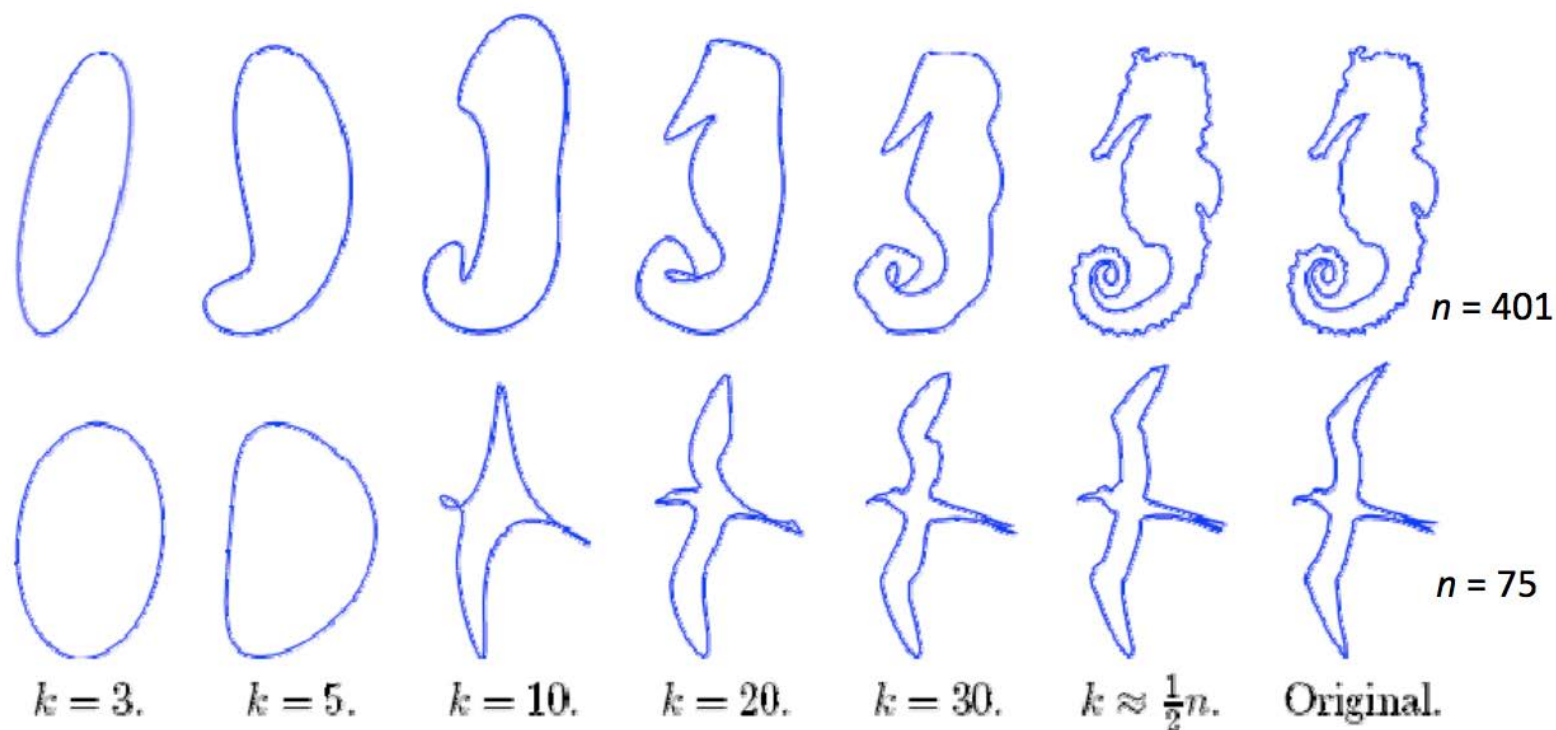
Projection of X
along eigenvector

The spectral transform



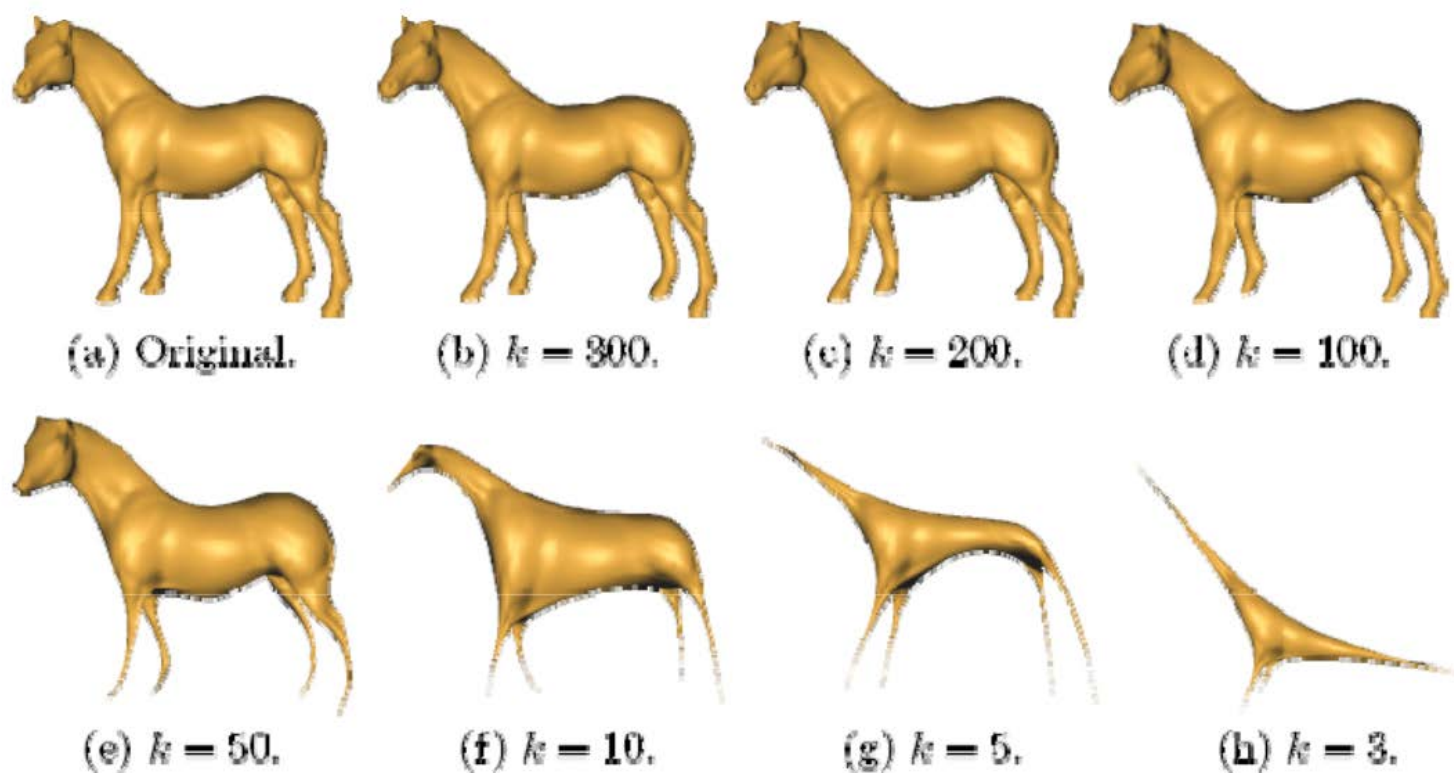
Reconstruction in 2D

- More accuracy with more eigenfunctions
- Function is the coordinate function
 - We're reconstructing the extrinsic shape of the object

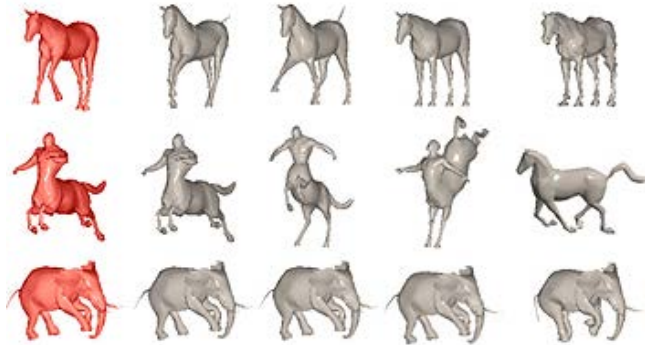


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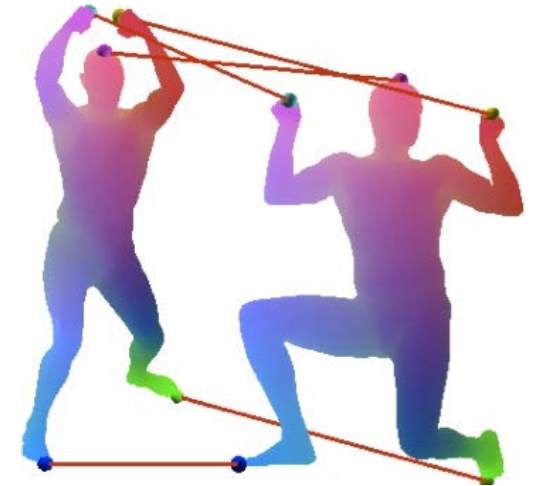
“Mid-Level” Geometric Analysis



Retrieval



Segmentation



Correspondences

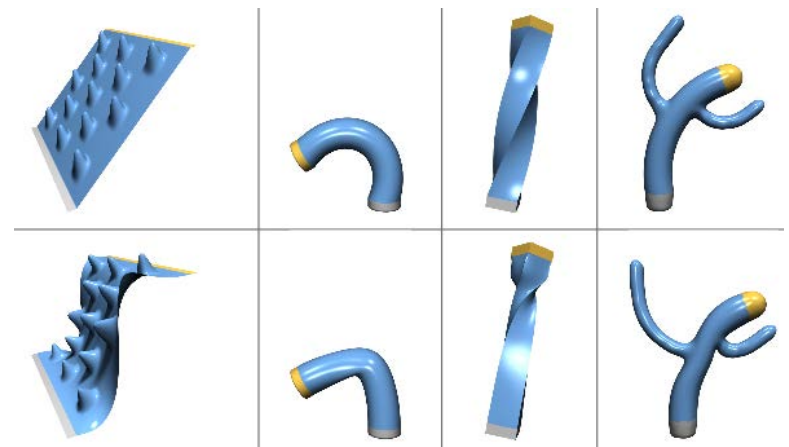


(a)



(b)

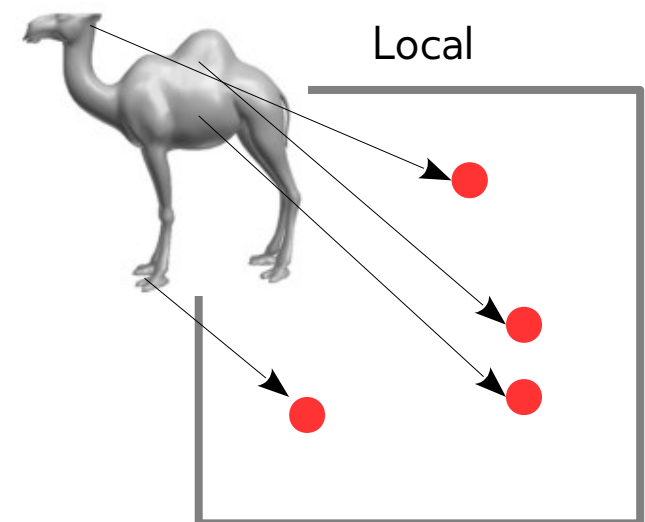
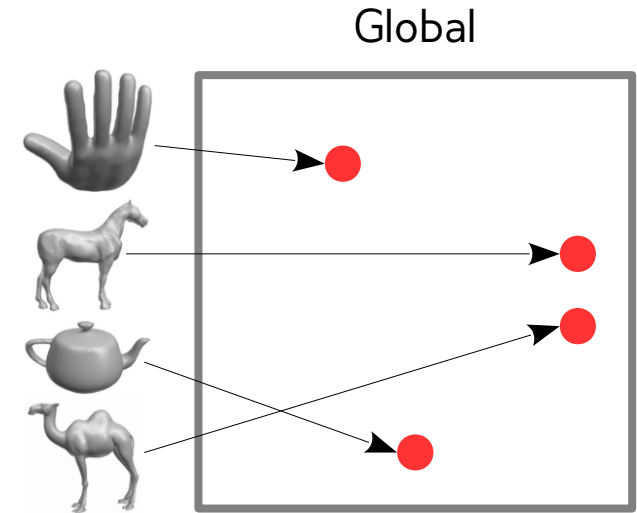
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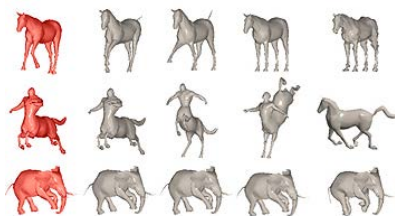
Deformation

Shape Descriptors

- A **shape descriptor** is a set of numbers that describes a shape in a way that is
 - Concise
 - Quick to compute
 - Efficient to compare
 - Discriminative
- **Global descriptors** describe whole objects
- **Local descriptors** describe (neighborhoods around) points
- Typically, the descriptors form a **vector space** with a **meaningful distance metric**



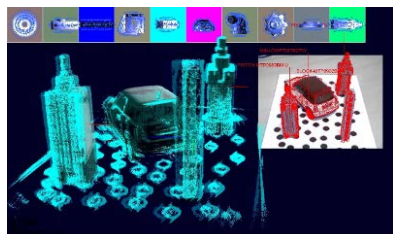
Global



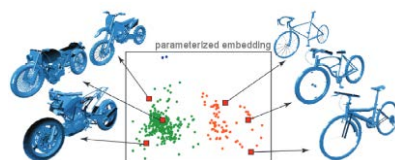
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Classification



Recognition

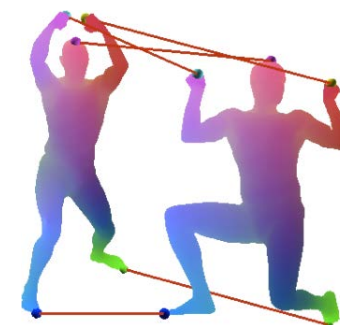


Clustering

Local



Feature detection



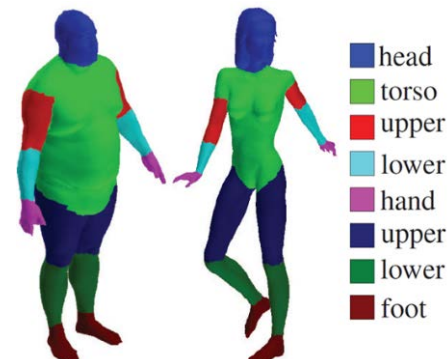
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Registration



Symmetry detection

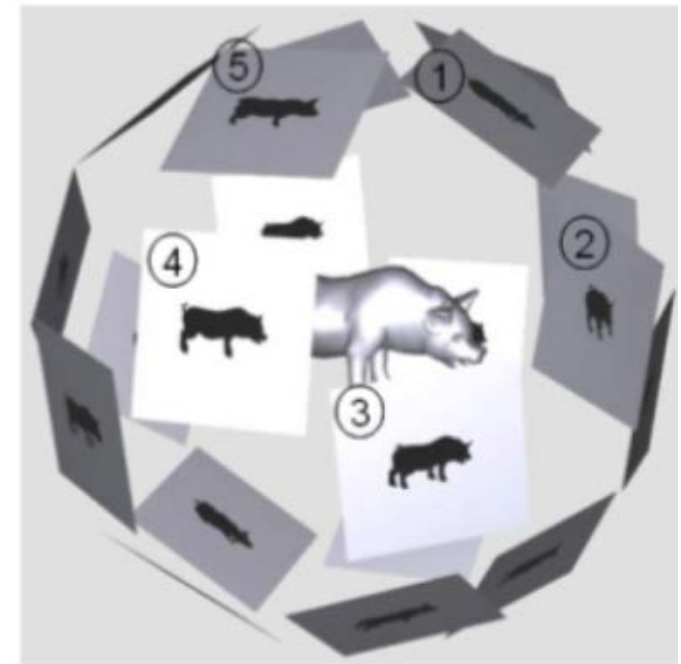


Segmentation

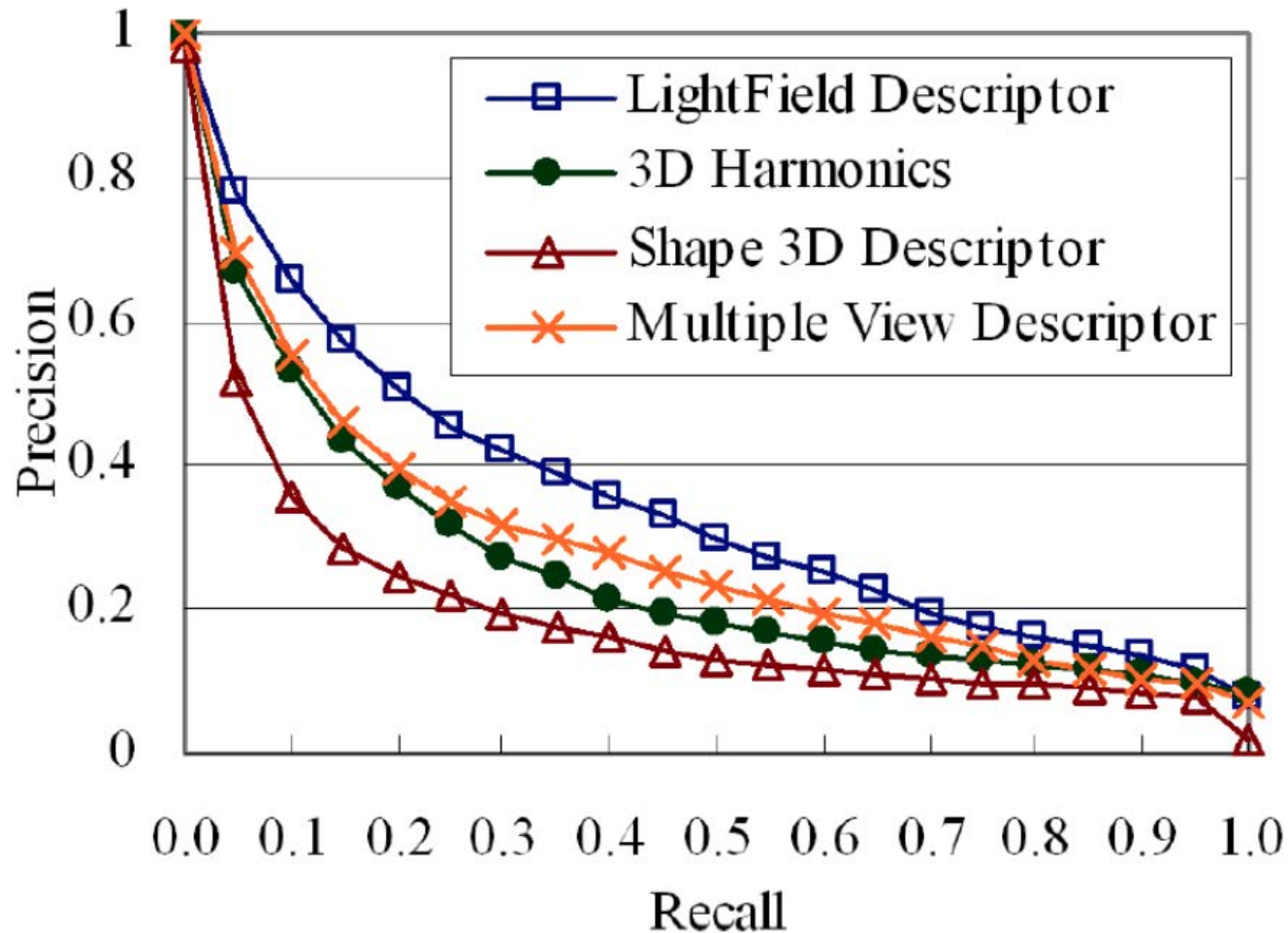
Labeling

LFD: a classic global descriptor

- The **Light Field Descriptor** (LFD) of a 3D shape is a set of 2D images of it, taken with a camera array
 - E.g. 20 cameras positioned at the vertices of a regular dodecahedron
 - Images rendered as silhouettes, so 10 unique views (say from a hemisphere)
 - Instead of the actual images, store their **Zernike Moments** and **Fourier Descriptors**
 - Compare shapes over all possible relative rotations of image clouds



Retrieval Results



3D Harmonics:
spectral signature of
the shape

Shape 3D Descriptor:
curvature histograms

**Multiple View
Descriptor:** align
shapes using PCA,
compare views along
principal axes

Test database: 1833 shapes, with 549 shapes classified into 47 functional categories, the remaining shapes classified as "miscellaneous"

What if we use better image descriptors?

- ZMD/FD are ok, but hardly the state of the art in modern computer vision (circa 2016)
- Convolutional Neural Nets (CNNs) have revolutionized image recognition tasks

Model	Top-1	Top-5
<i>Sparse coding [2]</i>	47.1%	28.2%
<i>SIFT + FVs [24]</i>	45.7%	25.7%
CNN	37.5%	17.0%

In 2012, the error rate in the ImageNet visual recognition challenge was halved by a deep CNN (gains are typically incremental). There are 1000 categories: the baseline of random guessing would have a 99.9% error.

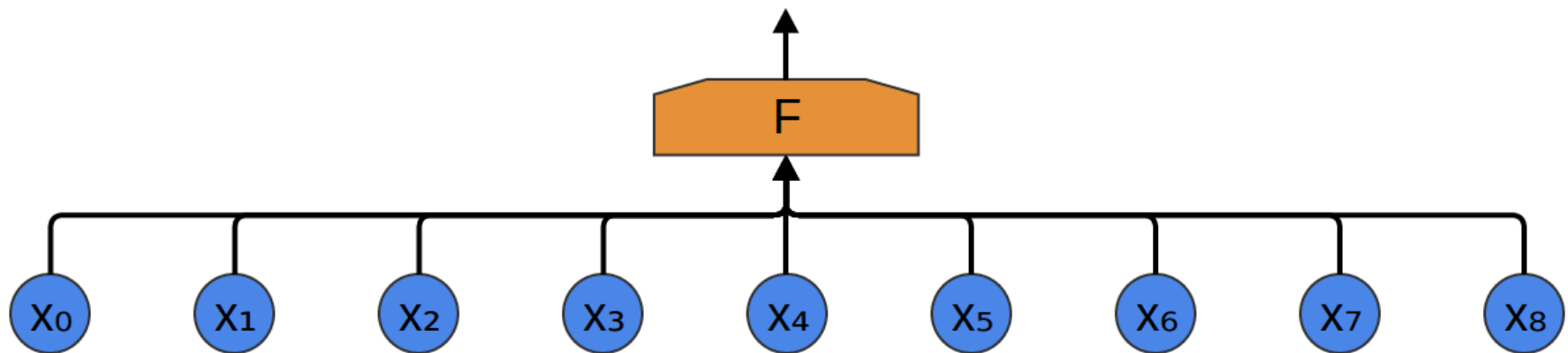
What is a Convolutional Neural Network?

- Imagine we have a set of N samples from some signal
- We want to produce a prediction, e.g. whether the signal represents a human voice, or a picture of a cat, or a depth image of a building



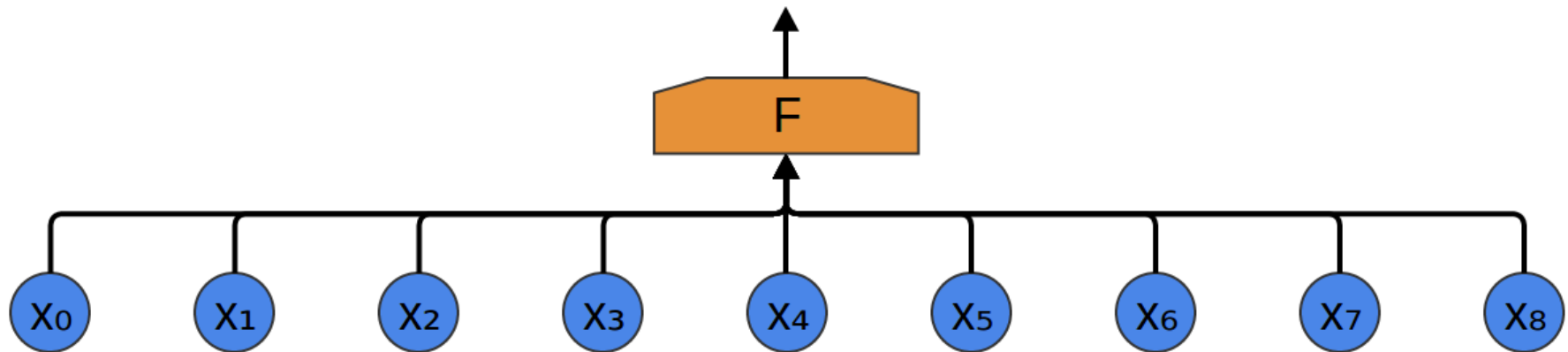
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- We can compute the probability as a function F of these values
 - In a **fully-connected** network, the function takes in all the inputs at once, e.g. as $g(\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{x})$, where \mathbf{w} is a weight vector and g is some nonlinear transformation such as a sigmoid function



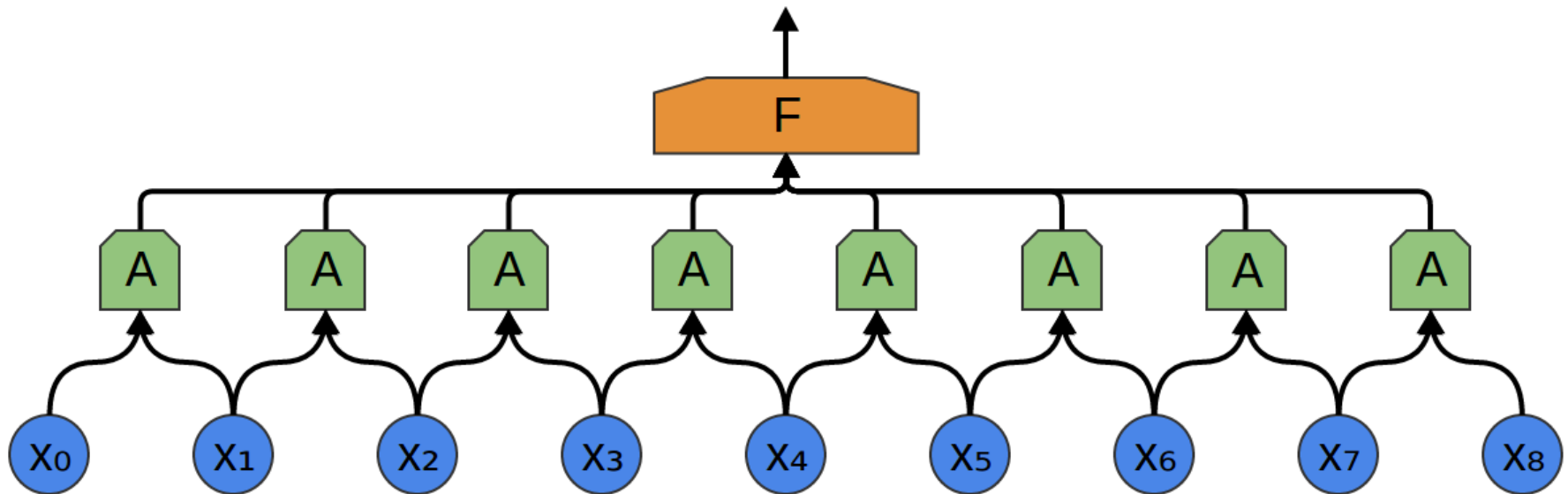
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- Fully-connected networks have some drawbacks
 - The function is **very high-dimensional** (all inputs processed at once)
 - **No complex relationships** between inputs are modeled (just a dot product)
 - Local information is **not captured in a “translation-invariant” way** (a feature of the signal at the left end of the sequence must be learned independently of the same feature occurring at the right end)



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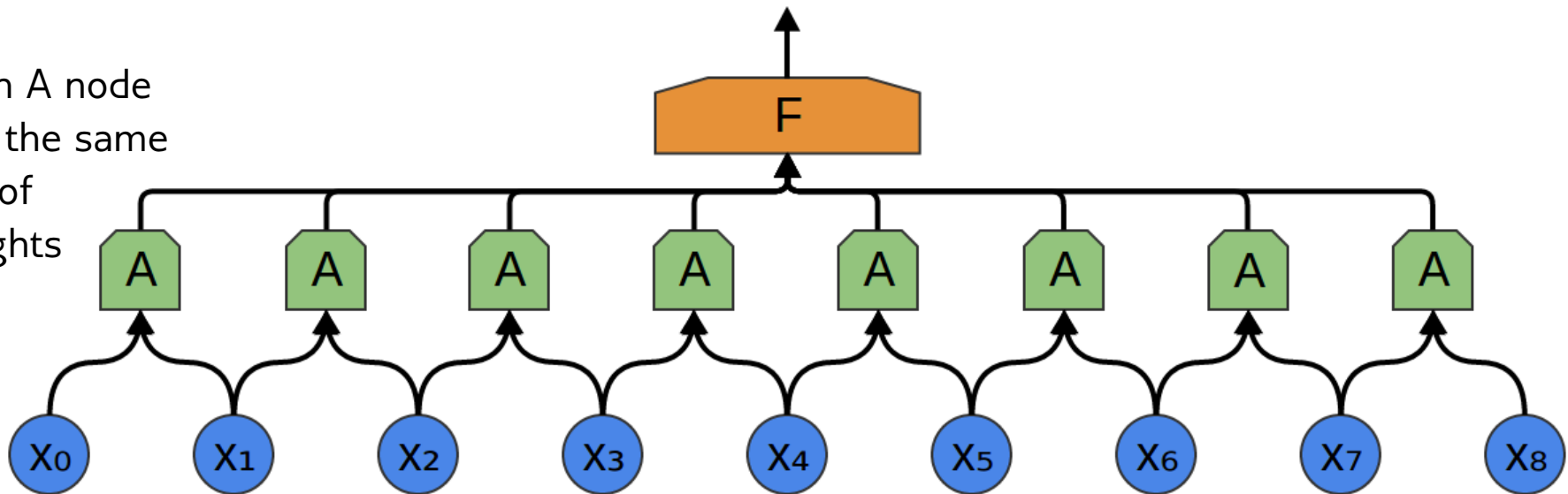
- **Solution:** a **convolutional layer**
- A filter (again, a dot product followed by a nonlinear transformation) is applied on local neighborhoods of the signal



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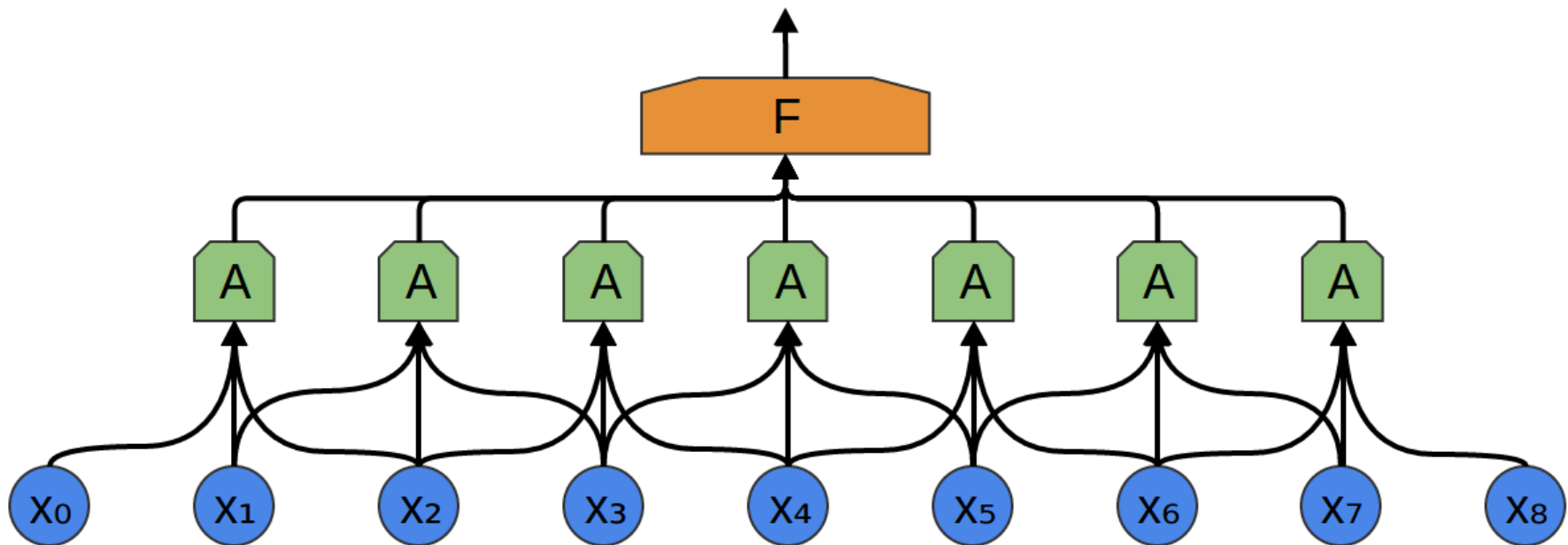
- All filters **share the same weights!**
 - Dramatically reduces number of parameters of the network
- The final output is a function of the filter responses

Each A node
has the same
set of
weights



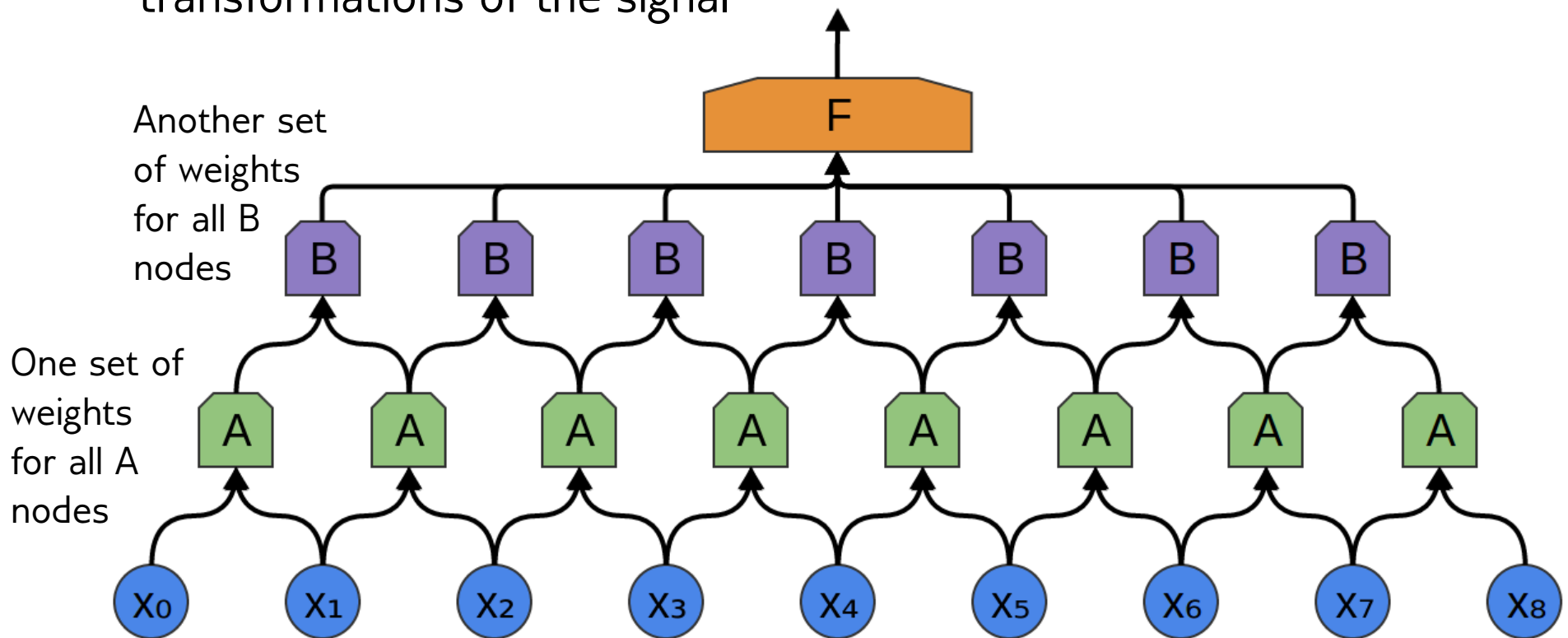
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- We can make the neighborhoods larger, to capture broader local features



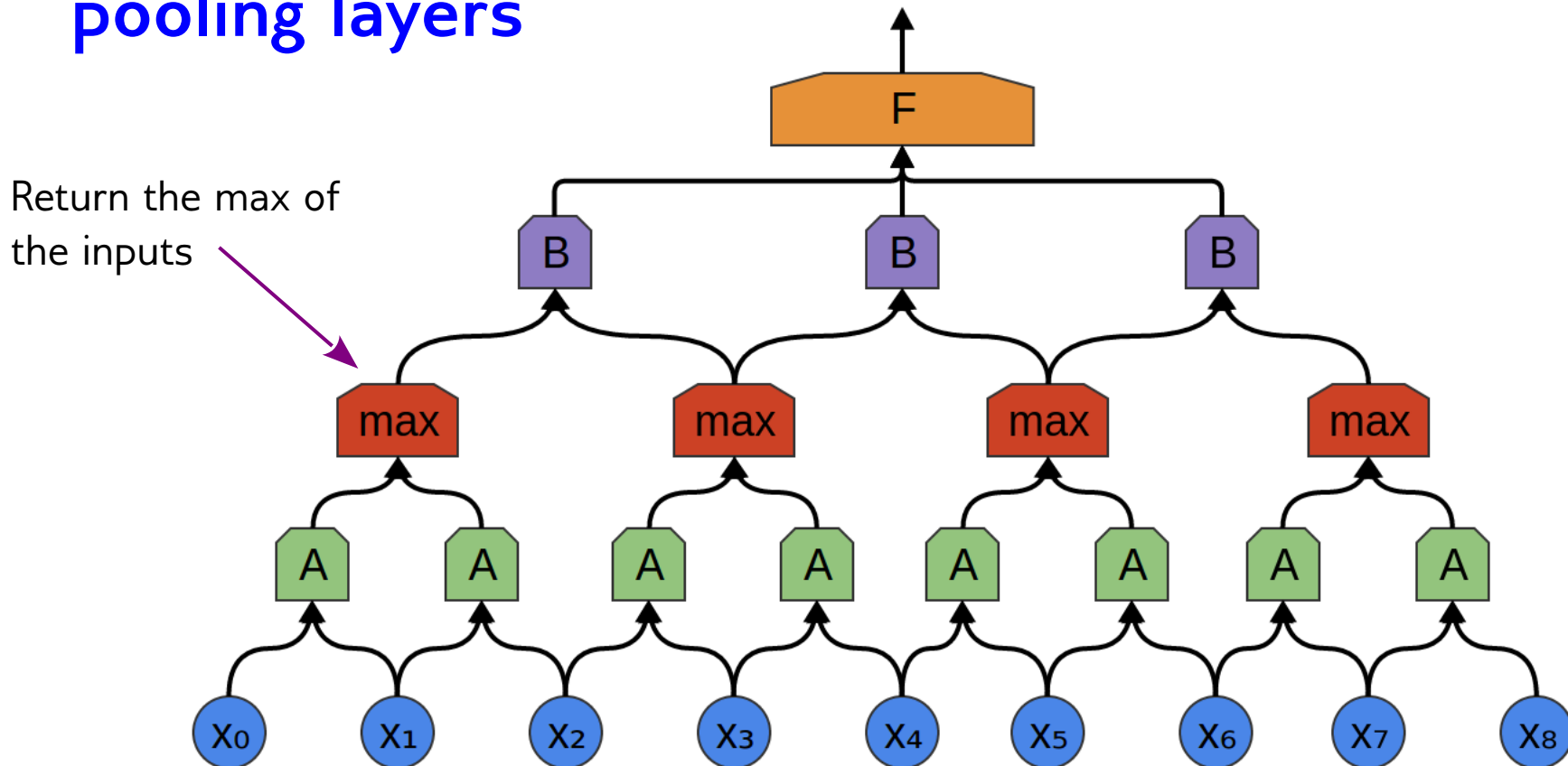
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- Convolutional layers are **composable**: they can be stacked with each layer providing inputs for the next layer
 - Higher layers can capture more abstract features since they effectively cover larger neighborhoods, and combine multiple different nonlinear transformations of the signal



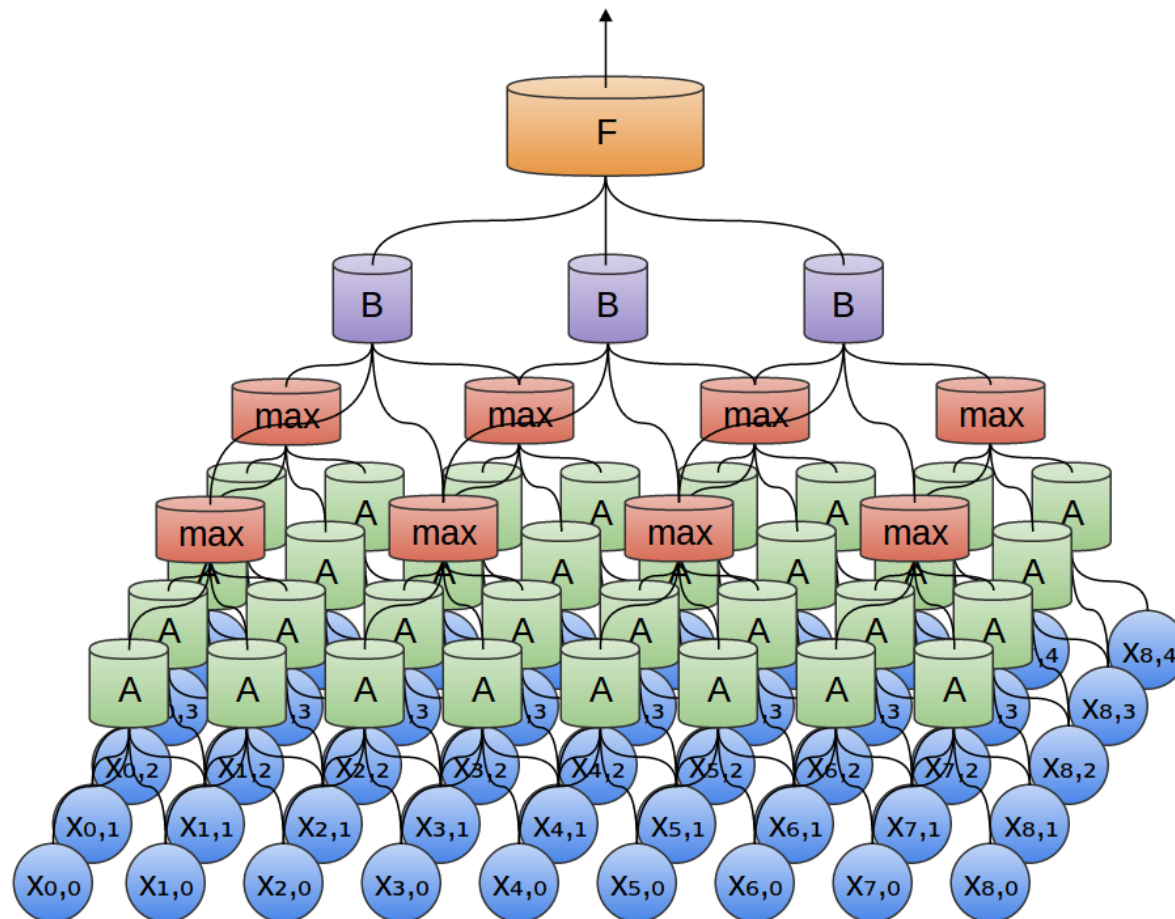
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- To make the network robust to small translations in detected features, and to reduce the amount of redundant data fed into higher layers, we introduce **pooling layers**



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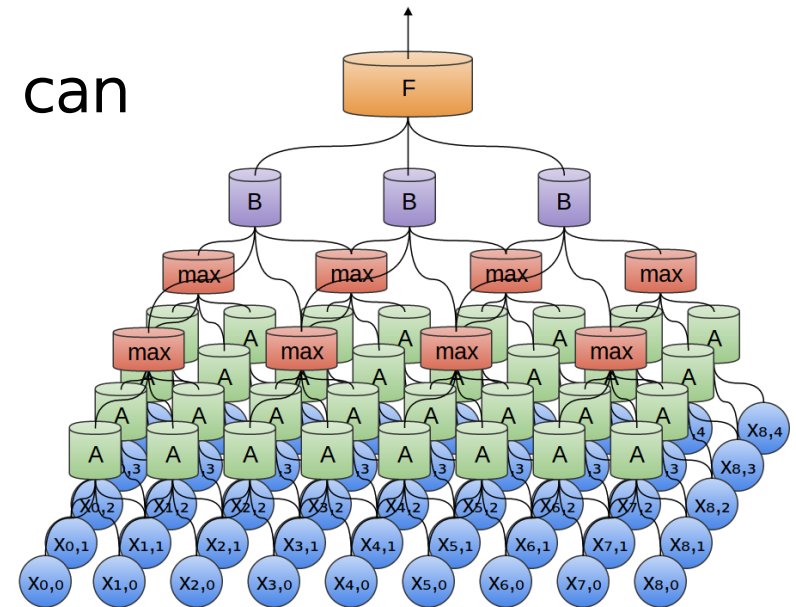
- The signal can be 2D or 3D: the filters are now also 2D/3D, but it's all essentially the same



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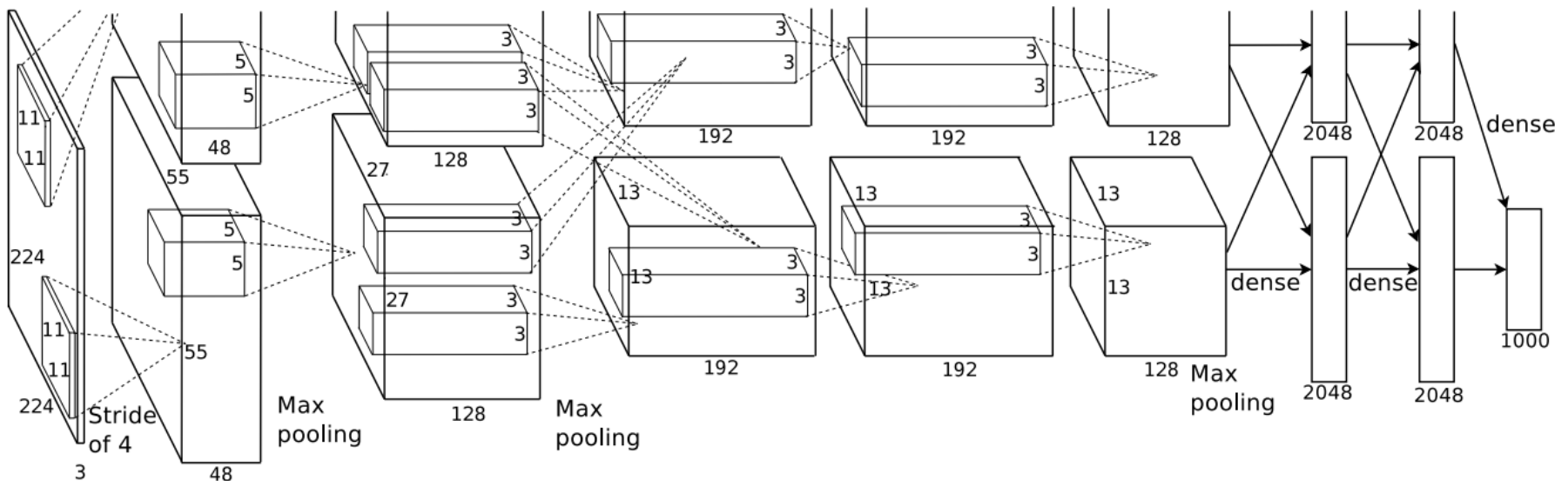
- The function computed by this gigantic model is **differentiable*** w.r.t. the weights
 - Given training data and a **loss function** measuring the deviation between predicted and actual values, we can optimize the weights by gradient descent
 - The gradient of the loss function can be found efficiently by a method called **back-propagation**

* nearly everywhere



A real-world CNN

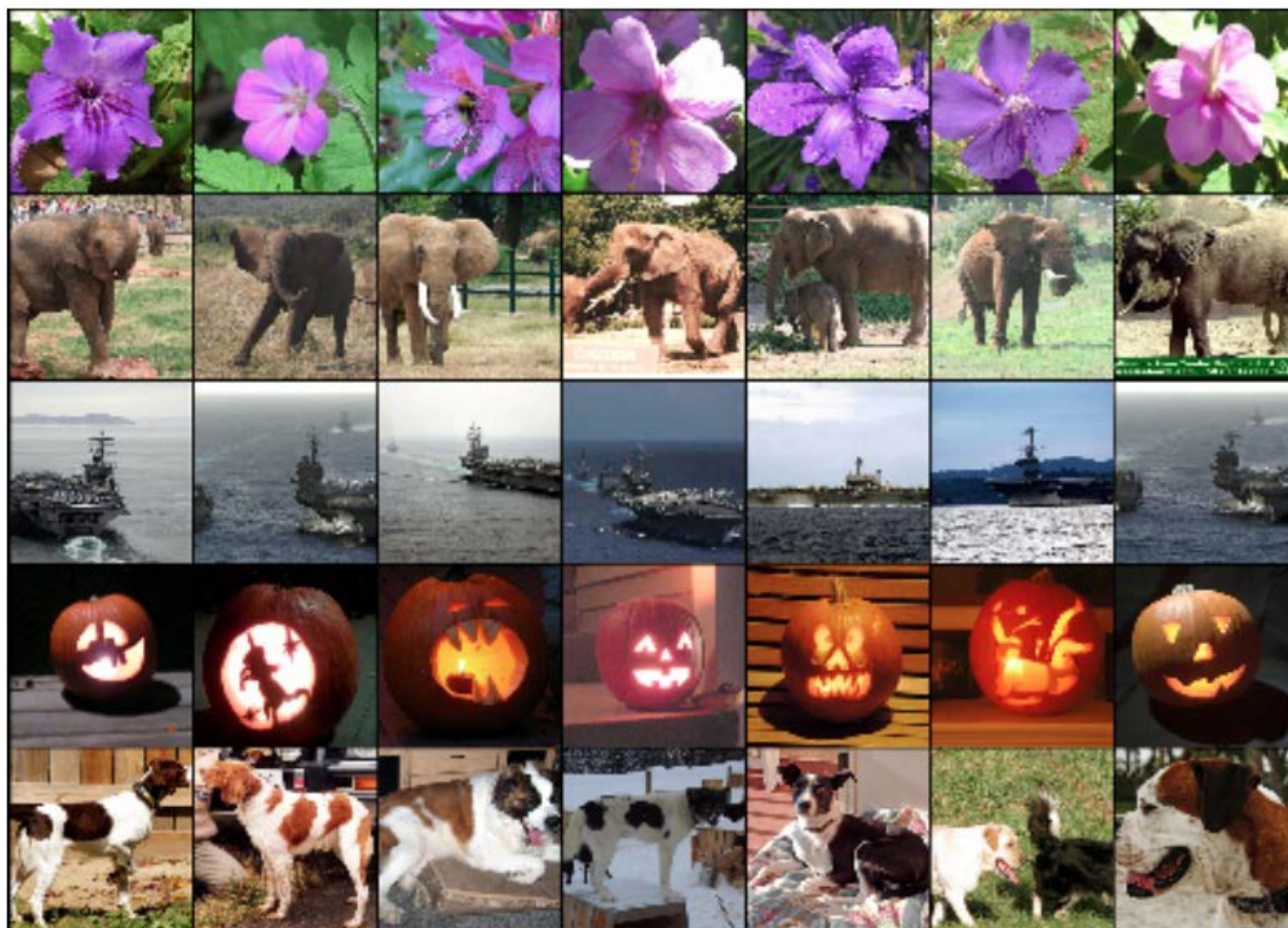
- 5 convolutional layers, 3 max-pooling layers, 3 fully-connected layers
- ~60 million parameters (despite the weight sharing!)



Using the CNN for classification



Using the CNN for **retrieval**



The descriptor is the vector of neuron activations in the second last layer

Query

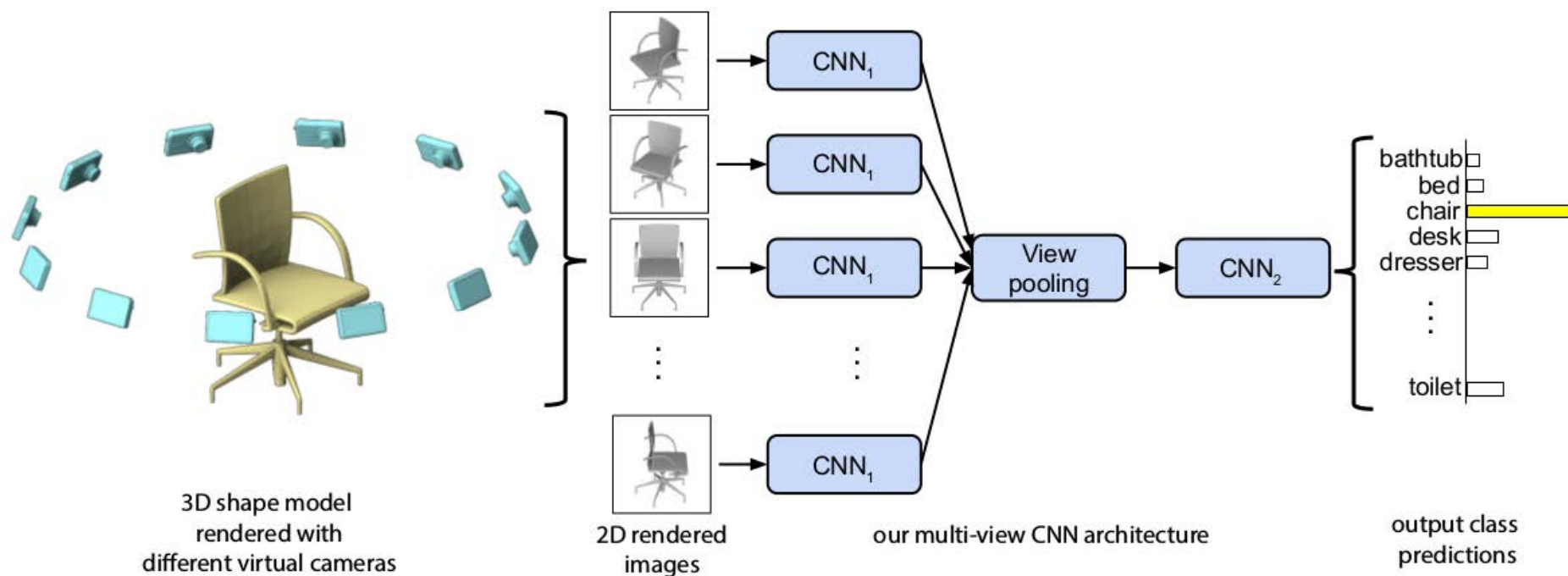
Top 6 results

Image CNN for 3D shapes

- Let's take a CNN trained on a (huge) image database, and use it to analyze views of 3D shapes
 - **Render** a 3D shape from an arbitrary viewpoint
 - Pass it through the **pre-trained CNN** and take the neuron activations in the second-last layer as the descriptor
 - For more accuracy, **fine-tune** the network on a training set of rendered shapes before testing
- Just this alone, with a single view (from an unknown direction) of the shape, bumps up the mAP retrieval accuracy (area under PR curve) on a 40-class, 12K-shape collection from 40.9% (LFD) to **61.7%**.
 - An LFD-like approach with 12 views/shape further improves to **62.8%**

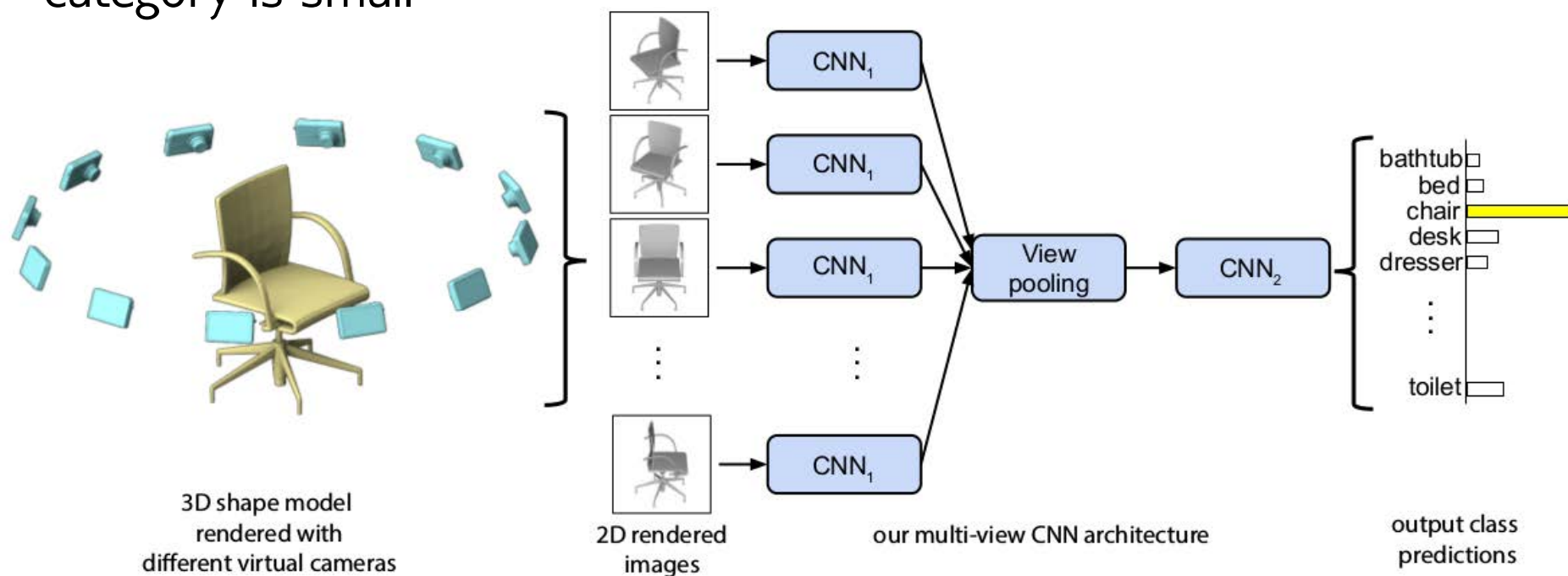
Combining Views

- A smarter way to aggregate information from multiple views
 - Take the output signal of the last convolutional layer of the base network (CNN_1) from each view, and combine them, element-by-element, using a max-pooling operation
 - Pass this **view-pooled** signal through the rest of the network (CNN_2)

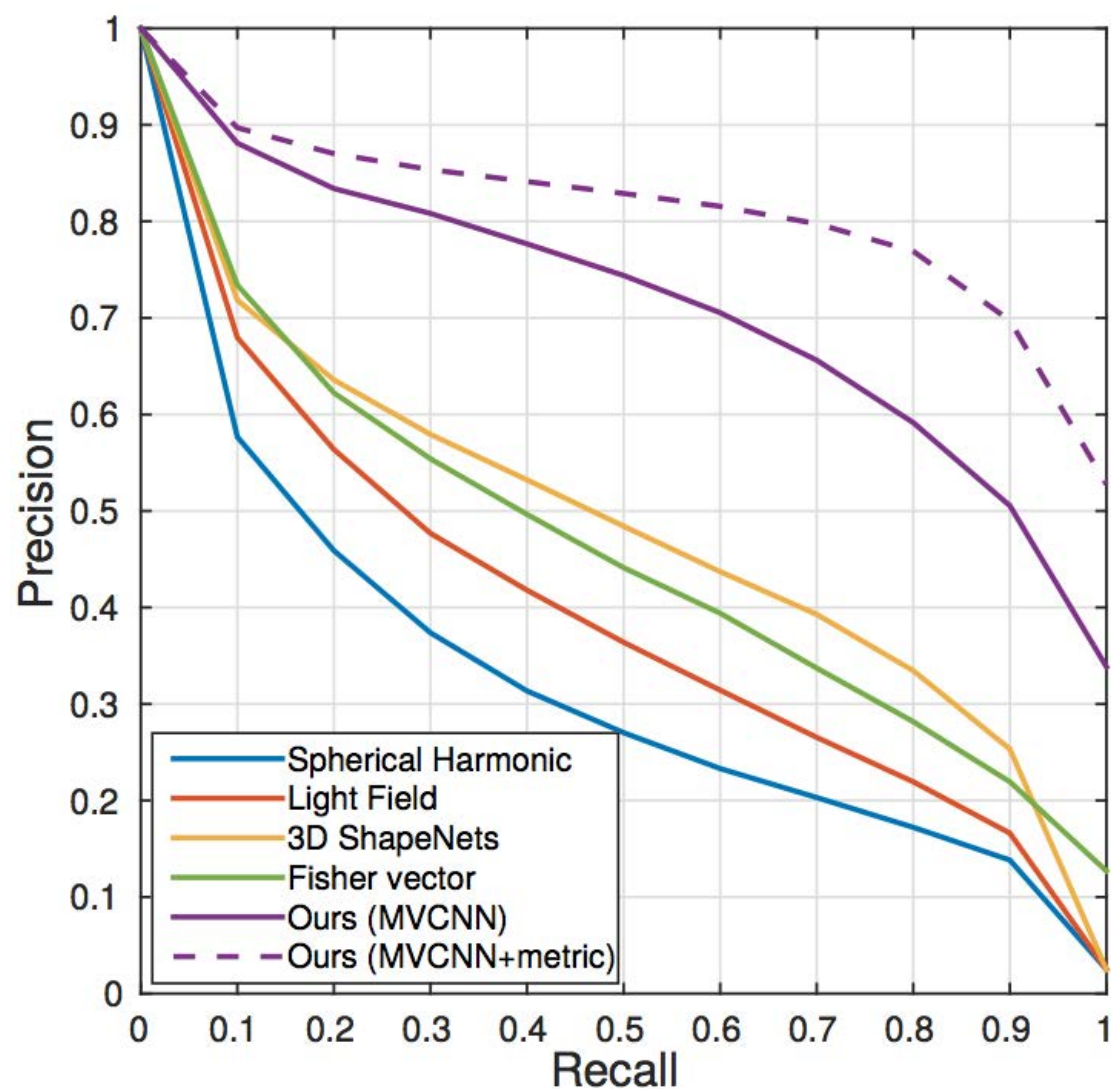


Combining Views

- The view-pooled CNN can still be trained (in exactly the same way) using back-propagation and gradient descent
- For retrieval, the descriptor from the second-last layer can be further tuned by learning a Mahalanobis metric (a projection of the descriptors) where the distance between shapes of the same training category is small

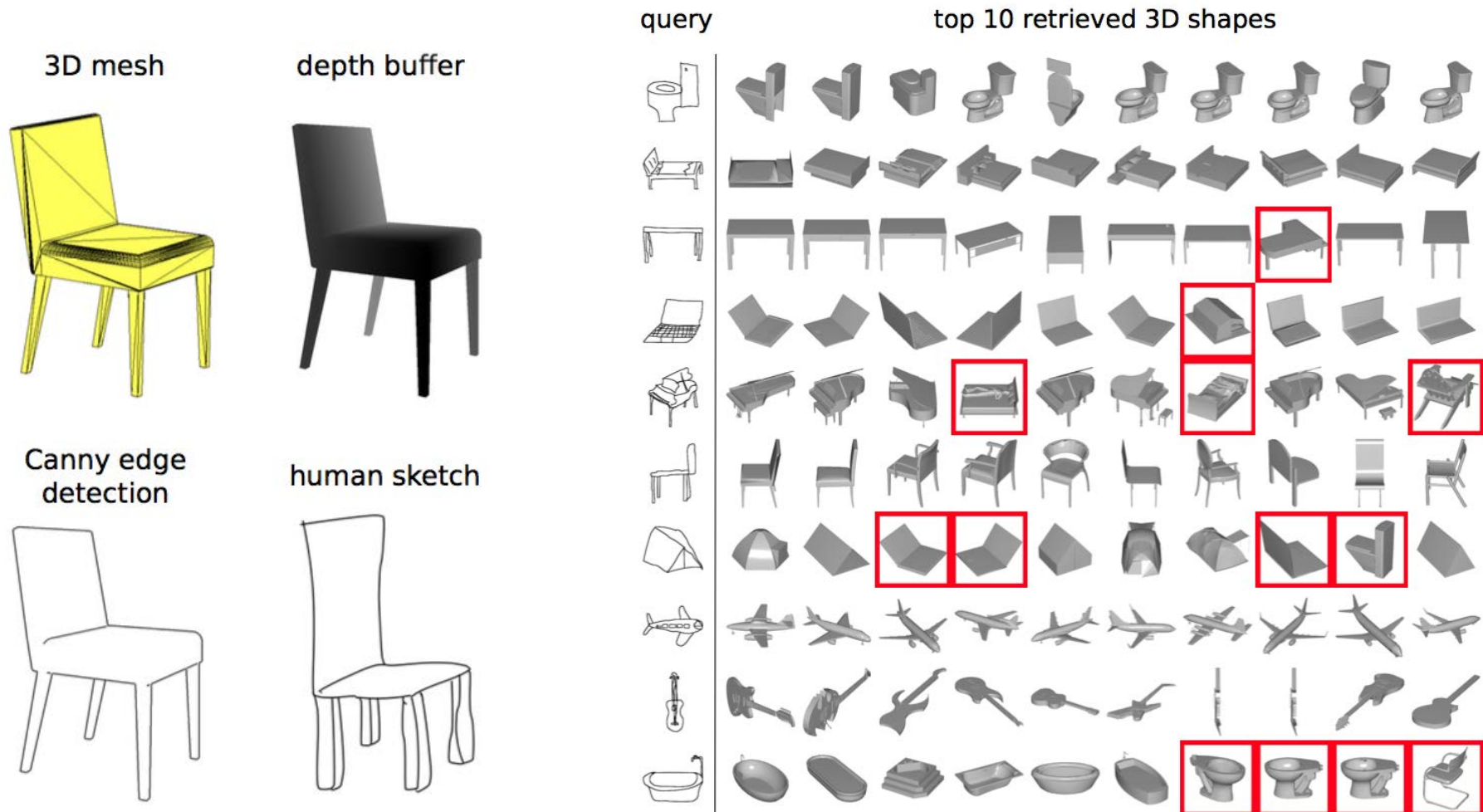


How well does this work?



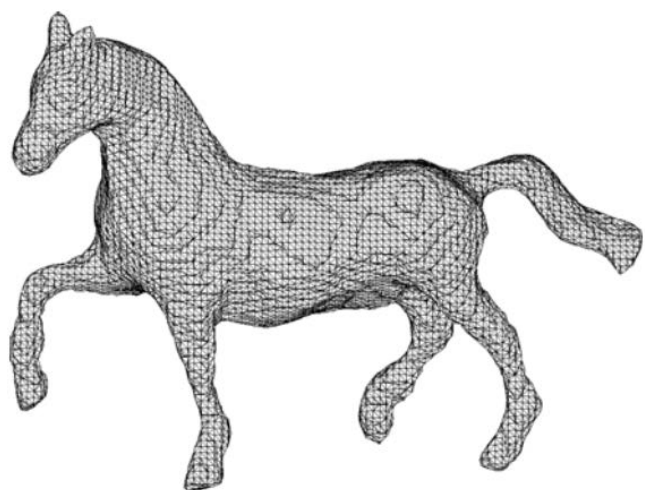
A side benefit of view-based representations

- The MVCNN can be fine-tuned to retrieve 3D models based on hand-drawn 2D sketches



Global descriptors enable retrieval.
Let's look at an application enabled by
good *local* descriptors.

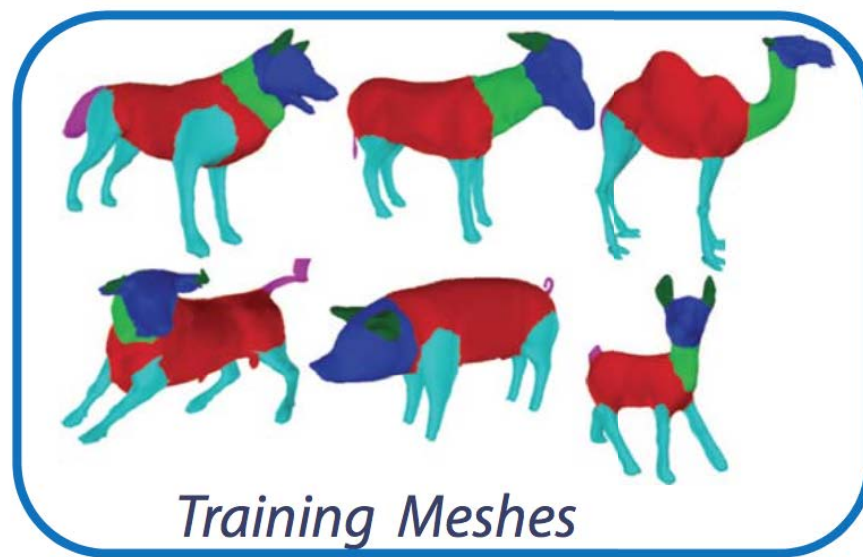
Shape Segmentation and Labeling



Input Mesh



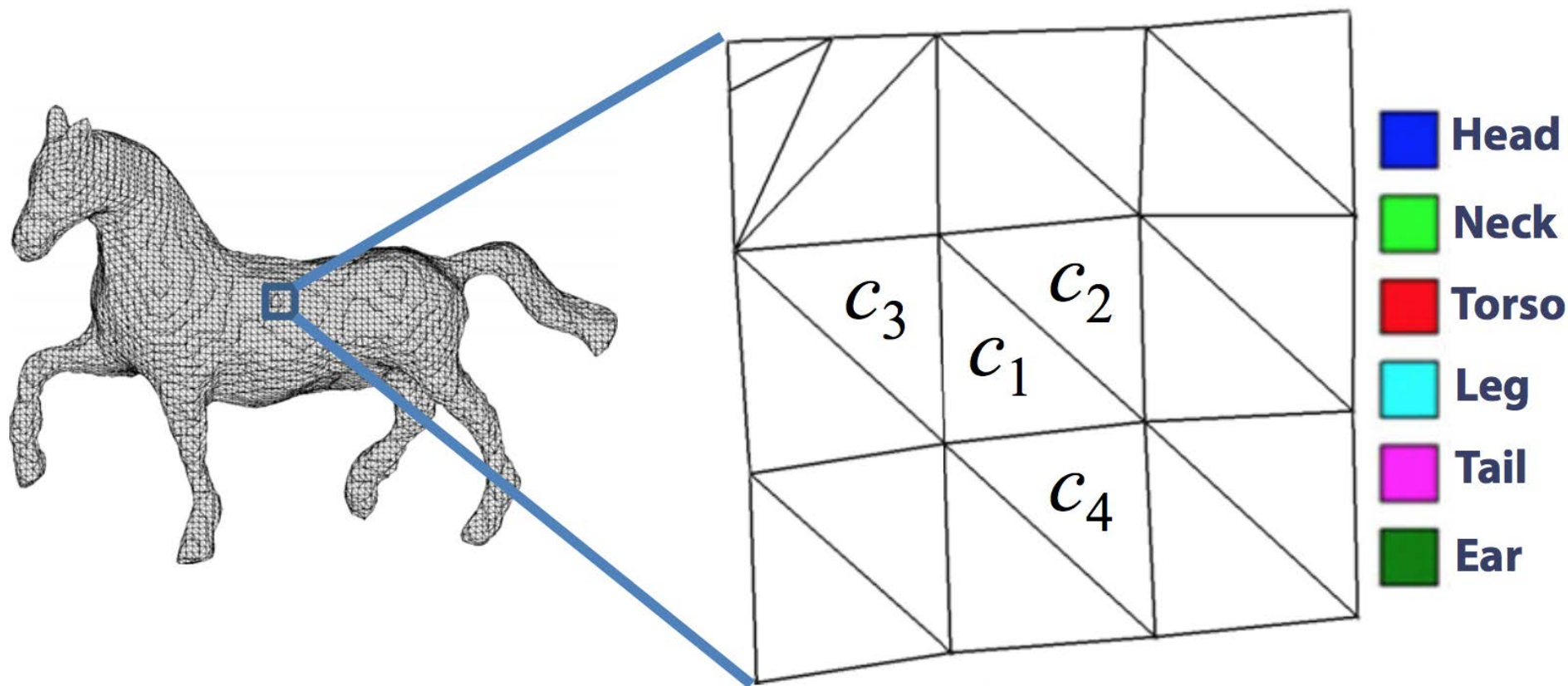
Labeled Mesh



Training Meshes

- Head**
- Neck**
- Torso**
- Leg**
- Tail**
- Ear**

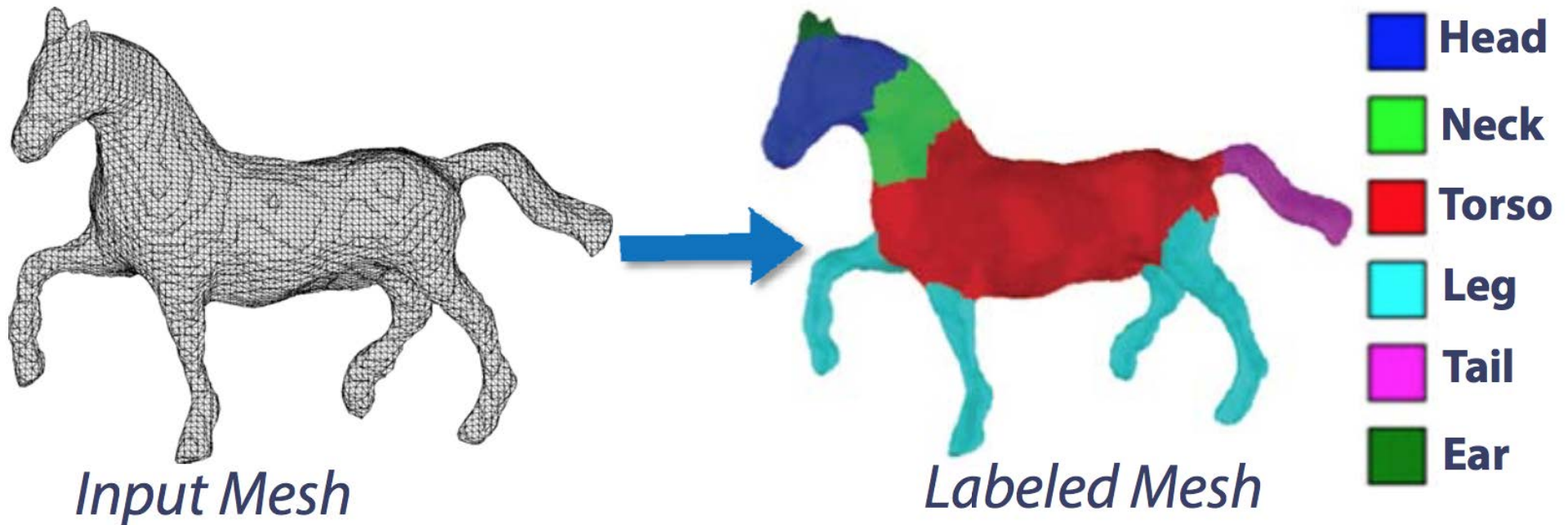
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$$c_1, c_2, c_3 \in C$$

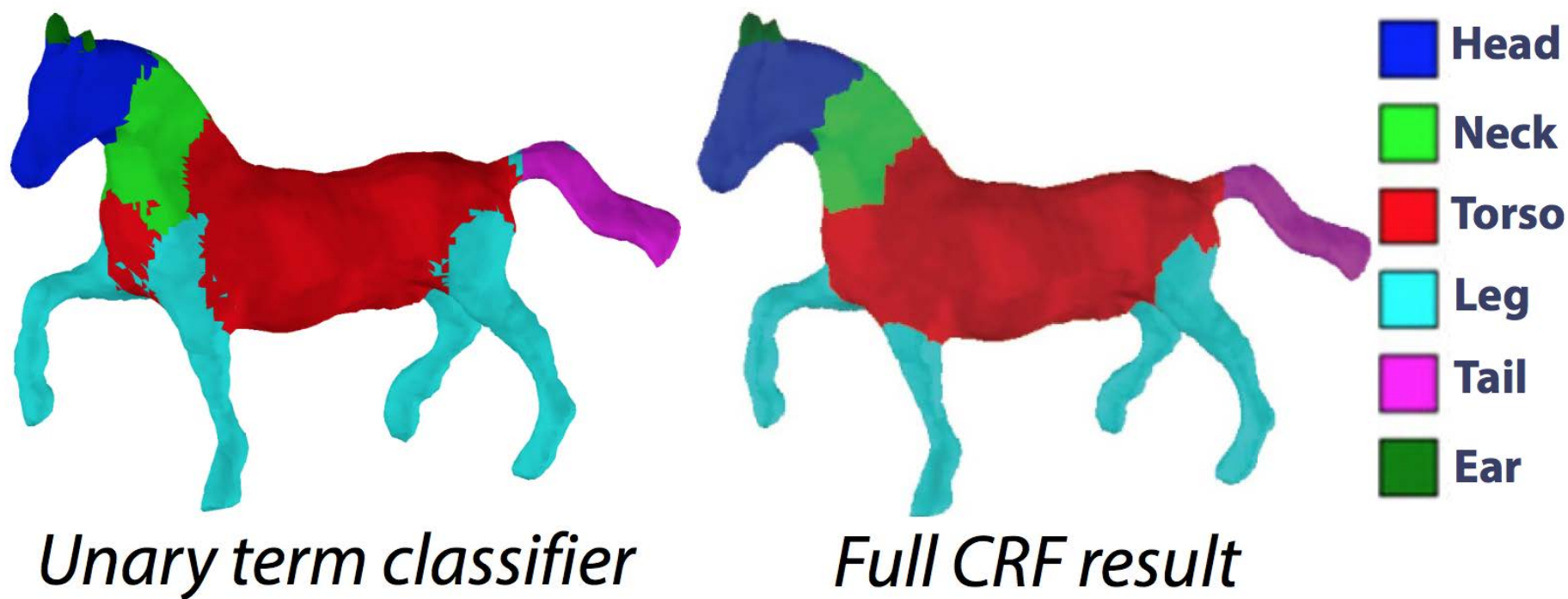
$$C = \{ \textit{head}, \textit{neck}, \textit{torso}, \textit{leg}, \textit{tail}, \textit{ear} \}$$

Conditional Random Field for Segmentation and Labeling



$$c^* = \arg \min_{\mathbf{c}} \left\{ \underbrace{\sum_i \alpha_i E_1(c_i; \mathbf{x}_i)}_{\text{Unary term}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i,j} l_{ij} E_2(c_i, c_j; \mathbf{y}_{ij})}_{\text{Pairwise term}} \right\}$$

Effect of the pairwise term



View-based local descriptors?

- CNNs can also yield local descriptors
- If multi-view CNNs dramatically improve retrieval accuracy, can they also improve segmentation accuracy?
- The answer appears to be yes (more details coming soon!)

“High-Level” Geometric Analysis



- What **type** of object is this?
- How can we **generate** more objects like this?
- What **attributes** does it have?
- What **functions** does it serve?

Outline

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 - **Probabilistic models** of shape

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What is the role of data?



Google/Trimble 3D Warehouse (~millions of downloadable models)



















What is the role of data?

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Choose a taxonomy:

- bathtub, bathing tub, bath, tub(0,85)
- bed(13,233)
- bench(5,1813)
- bicycle, bike, wheel, cycle(0,59)
- birdhouse(0,73)
- bookshelf(0,452)
- bottle(6,498)
- bowl(1,186)
- bus, autobus, coach, charabanc, dol
- cabinet(9,1571)
- camera, photographic camera(4,11)
- can, tin, tin can(2,108)
- cap(4,56)
- car, auto, automobile, machine, mot
- chair(23,6778)
- clock(3,651)
- computer keyboard, keypad(0,65)
- dishwasher, dish washer, dishwash
- display, video display(5,1093)
- earphone, earpiece, headphone, ph
- faucet, spigot(2,744)
- file, file cabinet, filing cabinet(1,298)

Synset Models **TreeMap** **Stats** **Measures**

  See Bip Delta wing	  Propeller plane	  Straight wing
  Bomber	  Fighter	  Jet
  Swept wing	  Airliner	
  Transport airplane		

← → 🔍

<http://shapenet.cs.stanford.edu>

What is the role of data?

- **Reuse** (of existing components)
- **Training** (of computational models)
- **Inspiration** (for new designs)

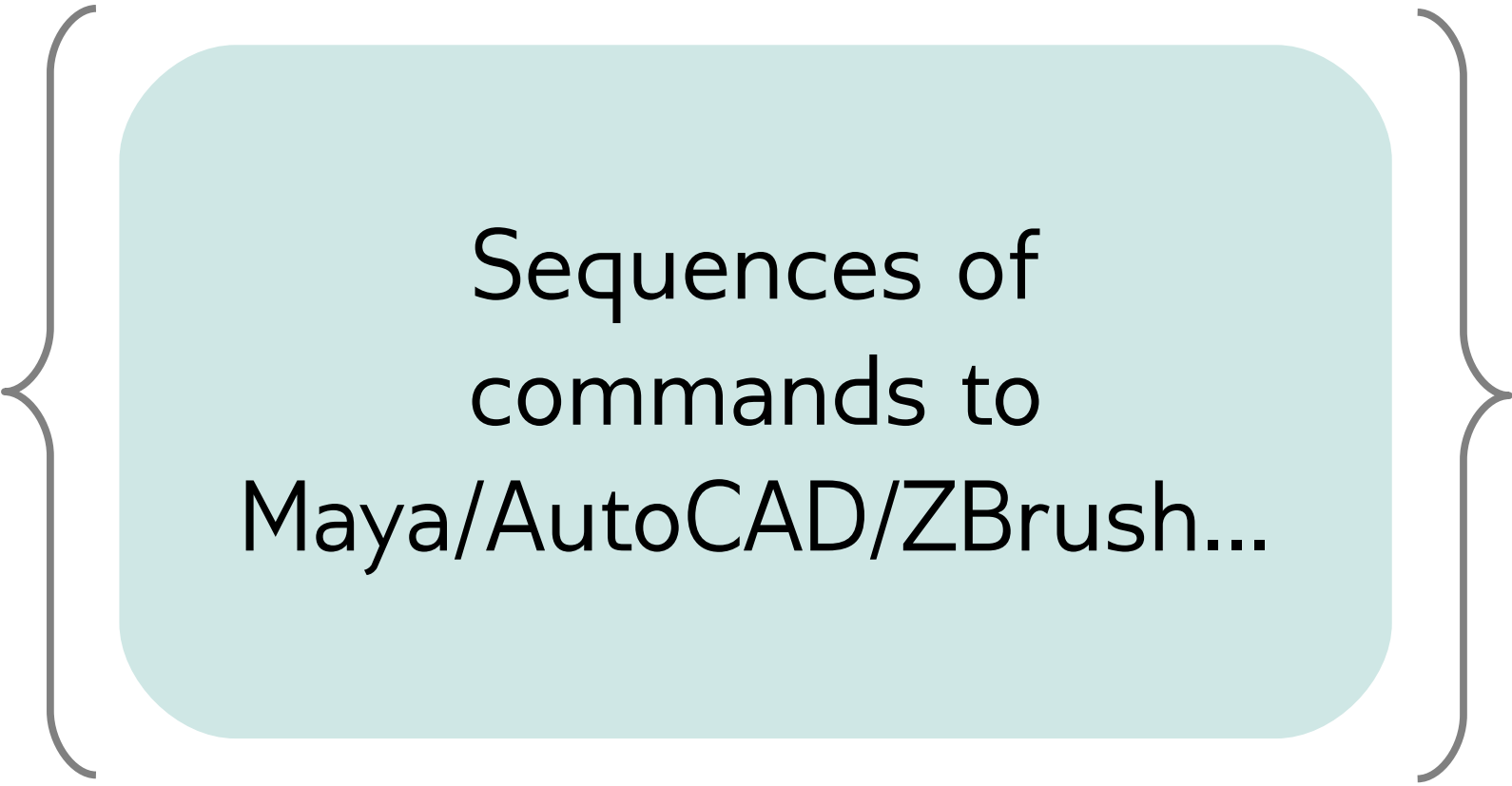
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Shape spaces should be...

- **General**
 - Topological/geometric/configurational variety
- **Probabilistic**
 - Some shapes are more plausible than others
- **Generative**
 - Can be used to produce new shapes
- **Meaningfully Parametrized**
 - Design intent readily maps to “suitable” shapes

Shape Space: Maya



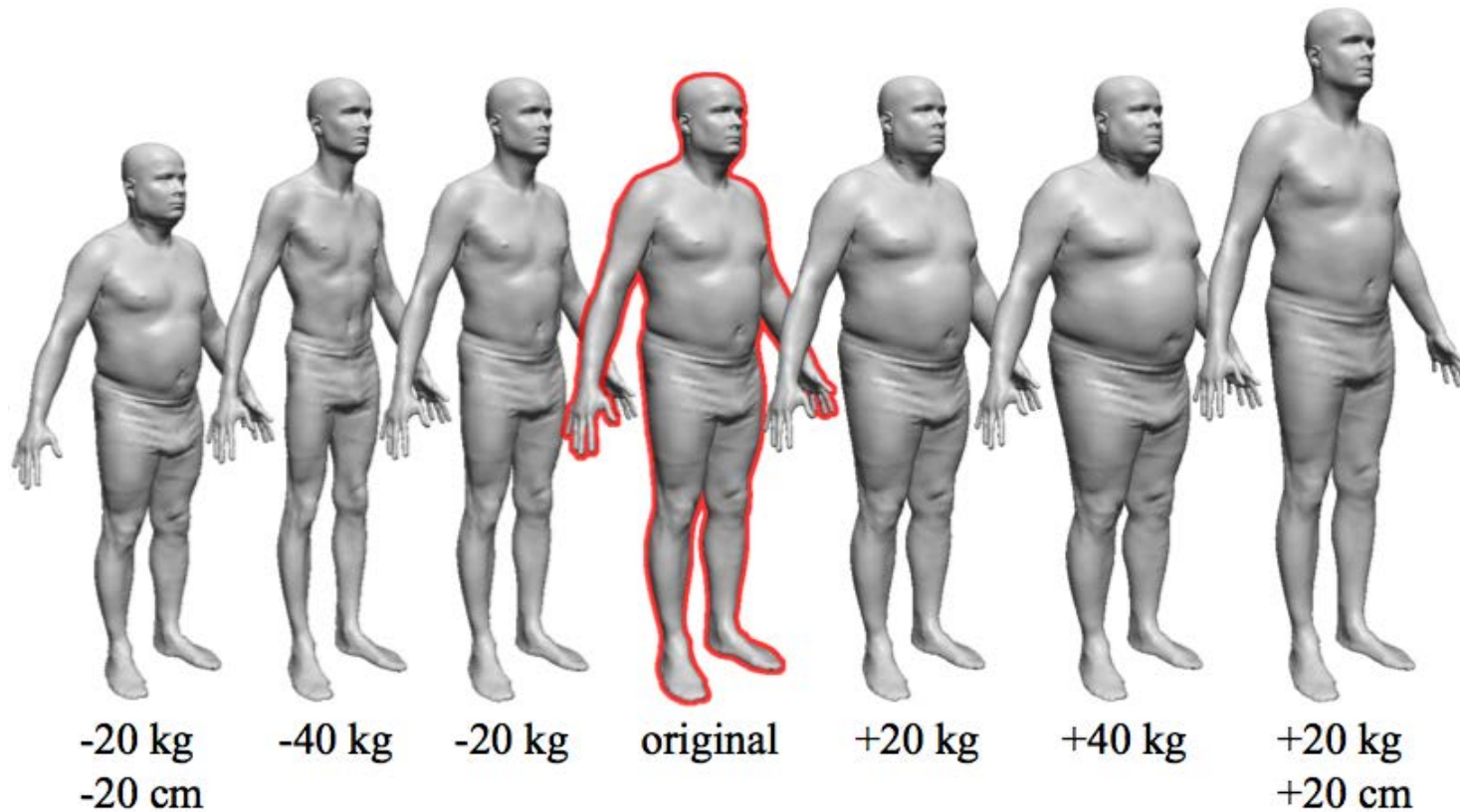
Sequences of
commands to
Maya/AutoCAD/ZBrush...

Generality: **High**
Probabilistic: **No**

Meaningful parametrization: **No**
Data-driven: **No**

Shape Space: Deformable Template

(one topology, plus parameters for body type)

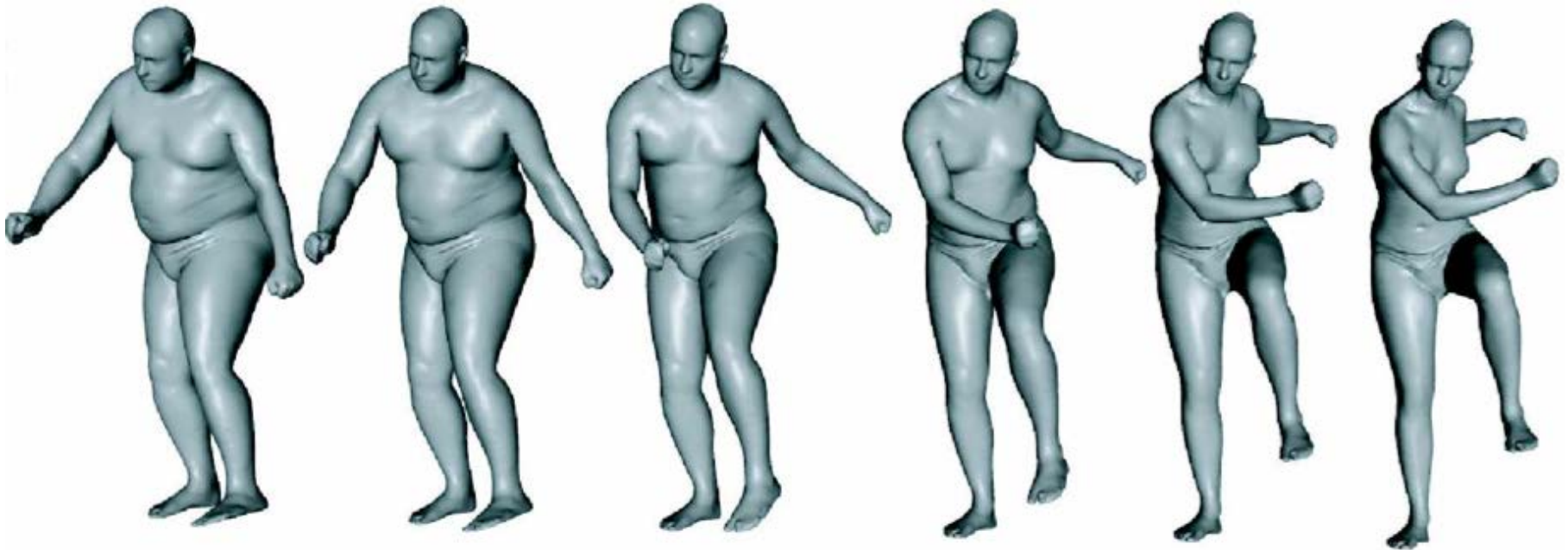


Generality: **Low**
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Moderate**
Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Deformable Template

(one topology, plus parameters for both body type and pose)



Generality: **Low-ish**
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Moderate**
Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Parametrized Procedure

(fixed set of parameters)



Generality: **Moderate**

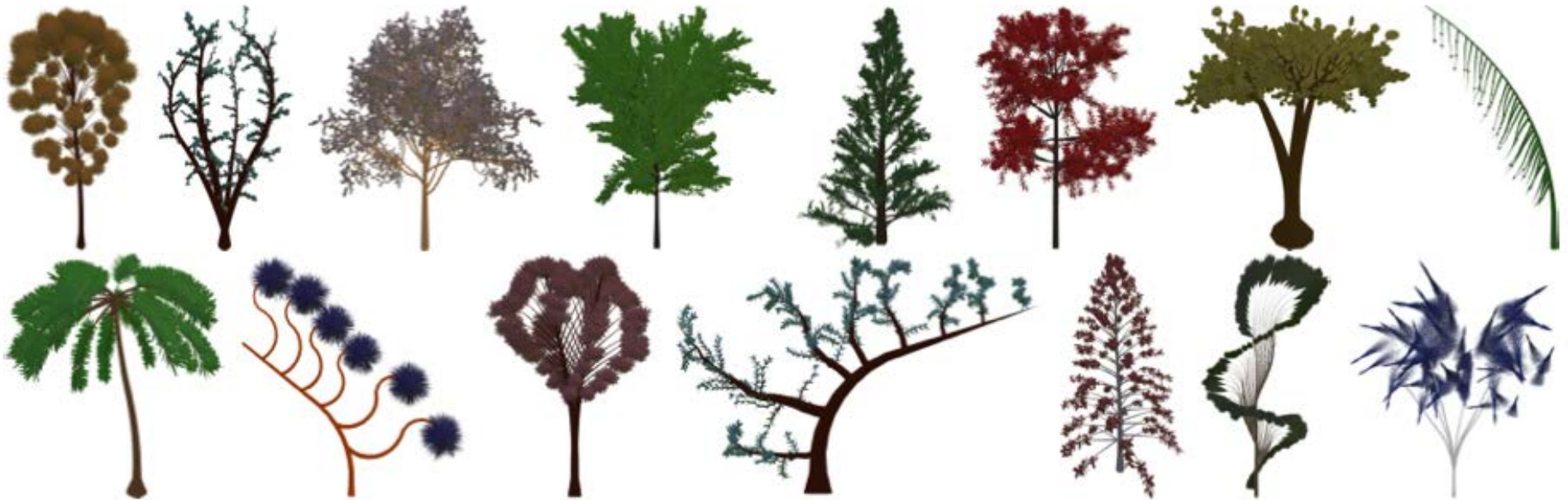
Probabilistic: **No**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

Data-driven: **No**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Procedure

(probability distribution on parameters)



Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization:

Data-driven:

Yes

Partially

Shape Space: Probabilistic Grammar

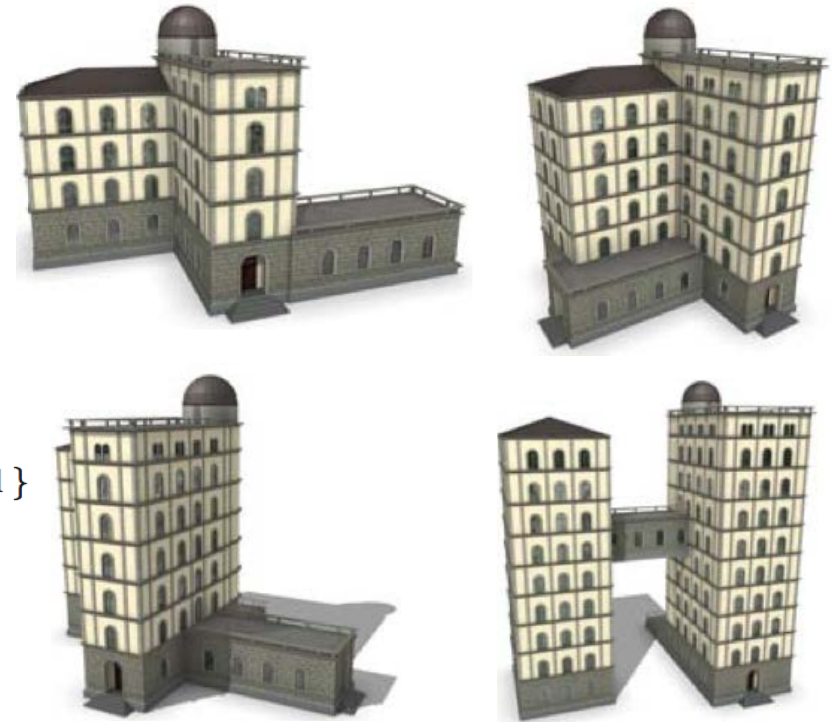
(hierarchical generation)

PRIORITY 1:

1: footprint \leadsto S(1r, *building_height*, 1r) facades
T(0, *building_height*, 0) Roof("hipped", *roof_angle*) { roof }

PRIORITY 2:

2: facades \leadsto Comp("sidefaces") { facade }
3: facade : Shape.visible("street")
 \leadsto Subdiv("X", 1r, *door_width**1.5) { tiles | entrance } : 0.5
 \leadsto Subdiv("X", *door_width**1.5, 1r) { entrance | tiles } : 0.5
4: facade \leadsto tiles
5: tiles \leadsto Repeat("X", *window_spacing*) { tile }
6: tile \leadsto Subdiv("X", 1r, *window_width*, 1r) { wall |
Subdiv("Y", 2r, *window_height*, 1r) { wall | window | wall } | wall }
7: window : Scope.occ("noparent") != "none" \leadsto wall
8: window \leadsto S(1r, 1r, *window_depth*) I("win.obj")
9: entrance \leadsto Subdiv("X", 1r, *door_width*, 1r) { wall |
Subdiv("Y", *door_height*, 1r) { door | wall } | wall }
10: door \leadsto S(1r, 1r, *door_depth*) I("door.obj")
11: wall \leadsto I("wall.obj")



Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization:

Data-driven:

Yes

Reuse

Shape Space: Shape Grammar

(learned from a single example)



Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **No**

Meaningful parametrization:

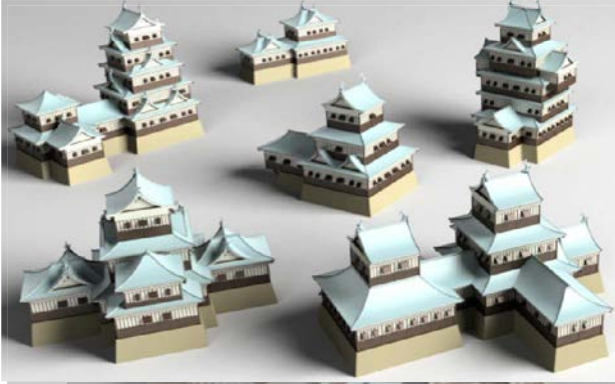
Data-driven:

Moderate

Moderate

Shape Space: Probabilistic Grammar

(learned from examples)



Generality: **Moderate**
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Moderate**
Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Assembly-Based Modeling

(piece together existing components)



Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **No**

Meaningful parametrization:

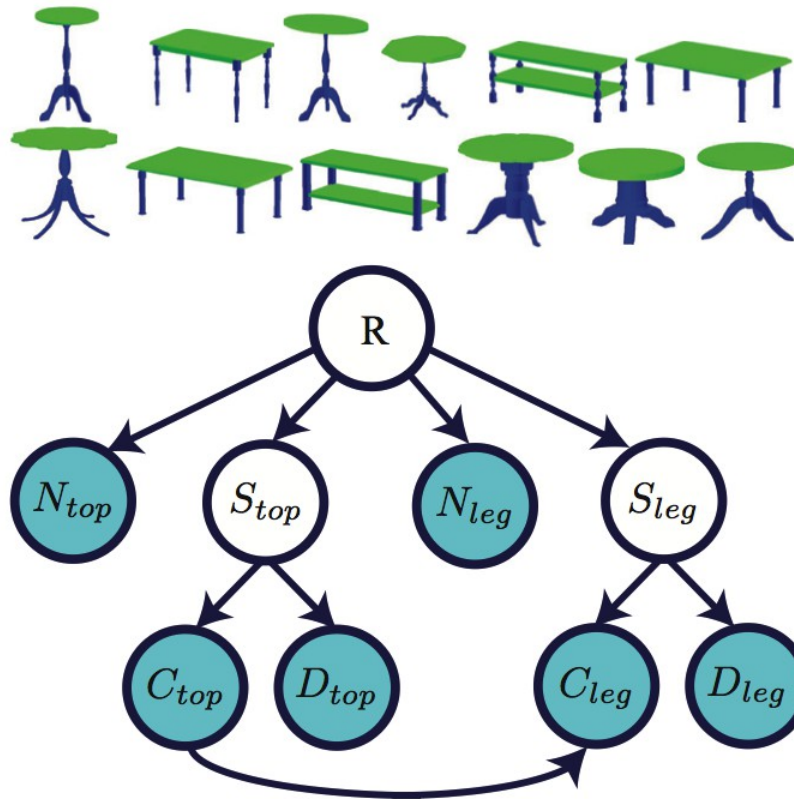
Data-driven:

Yes

Reuse

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

(some assemblies are better than others)



Generality: **Moderate**

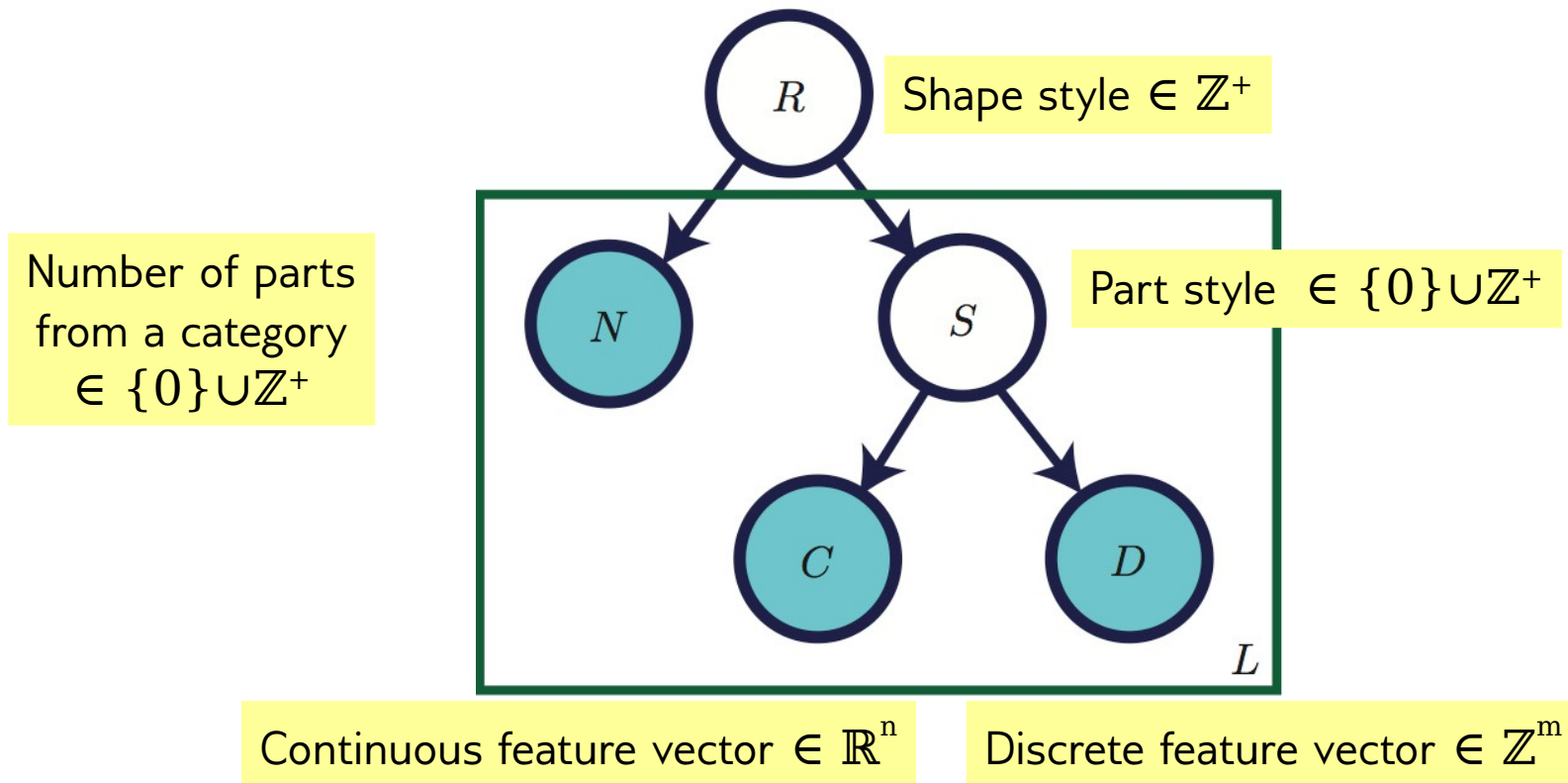
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

(some assemblies are better than others)



$$P(\mathbf{X}) = P(R) \prod_{l \in \mathcal{L}} [P(S_l | R) P(N_l | R, \pi(N_l)) P(\mathbf{C}_l | S_l, \pi(\mathbf{C}_l)) P(\mathbf{D}_l | S_l, \pi(\mathbf{D}_l))]$$

Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

(some assemblies are better than others)



Learned shape styles



Learned component styles

Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

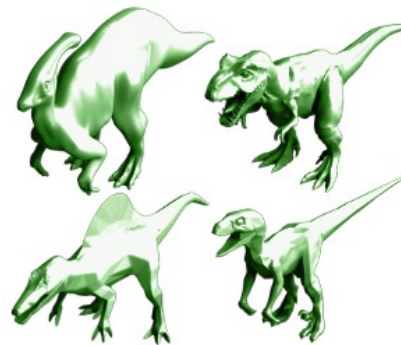
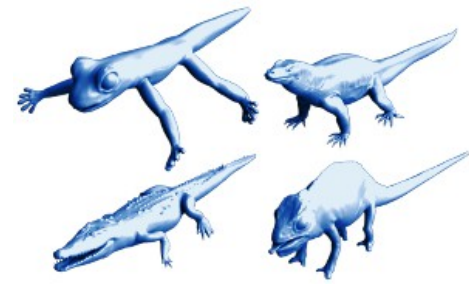
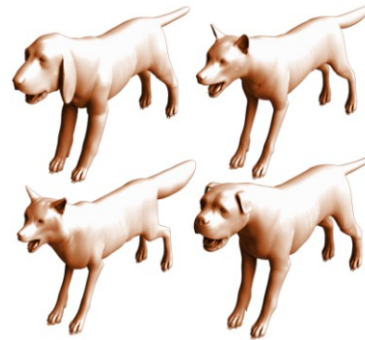
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Learned shape styles



Learned component styles



More learned shape “styles”

Generality: **Moderate**
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**
Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

(some assemblies are better than others)



Generality: **Moderate**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

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Generality: **Moderate**

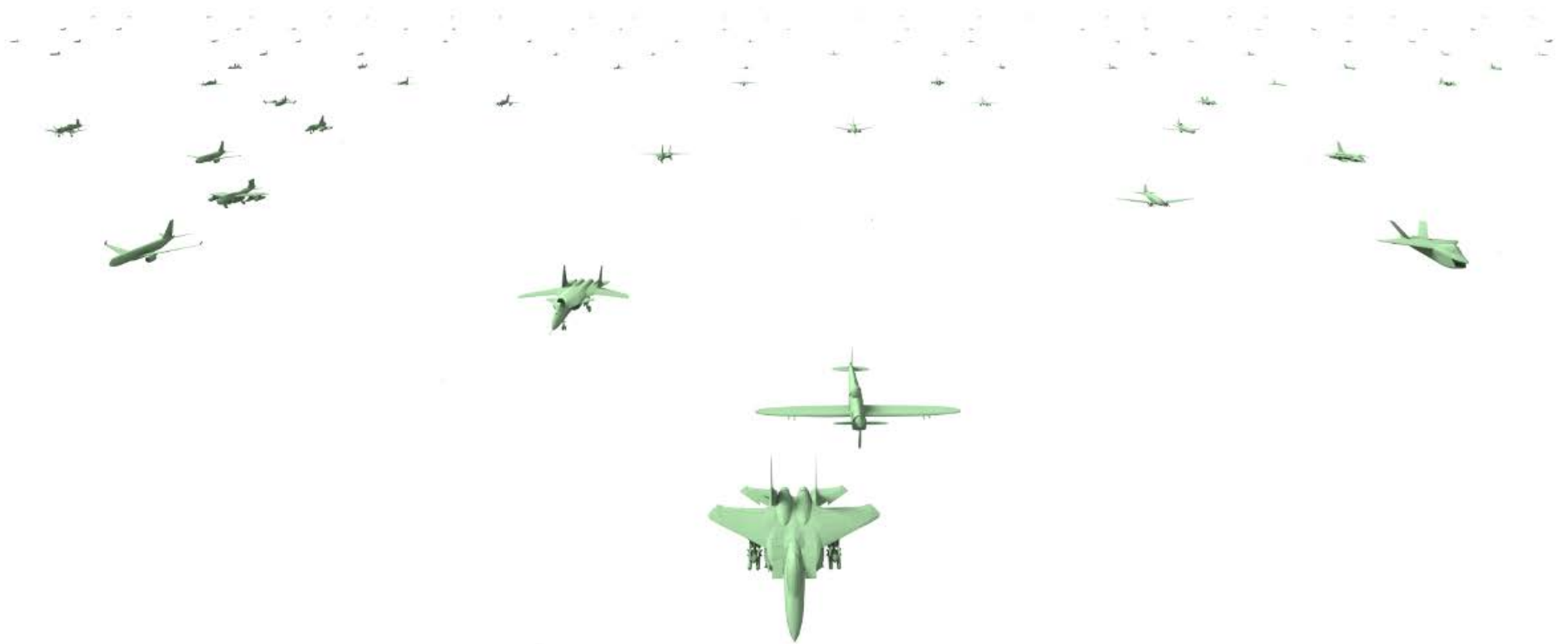
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Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

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Generality: **Moderate**

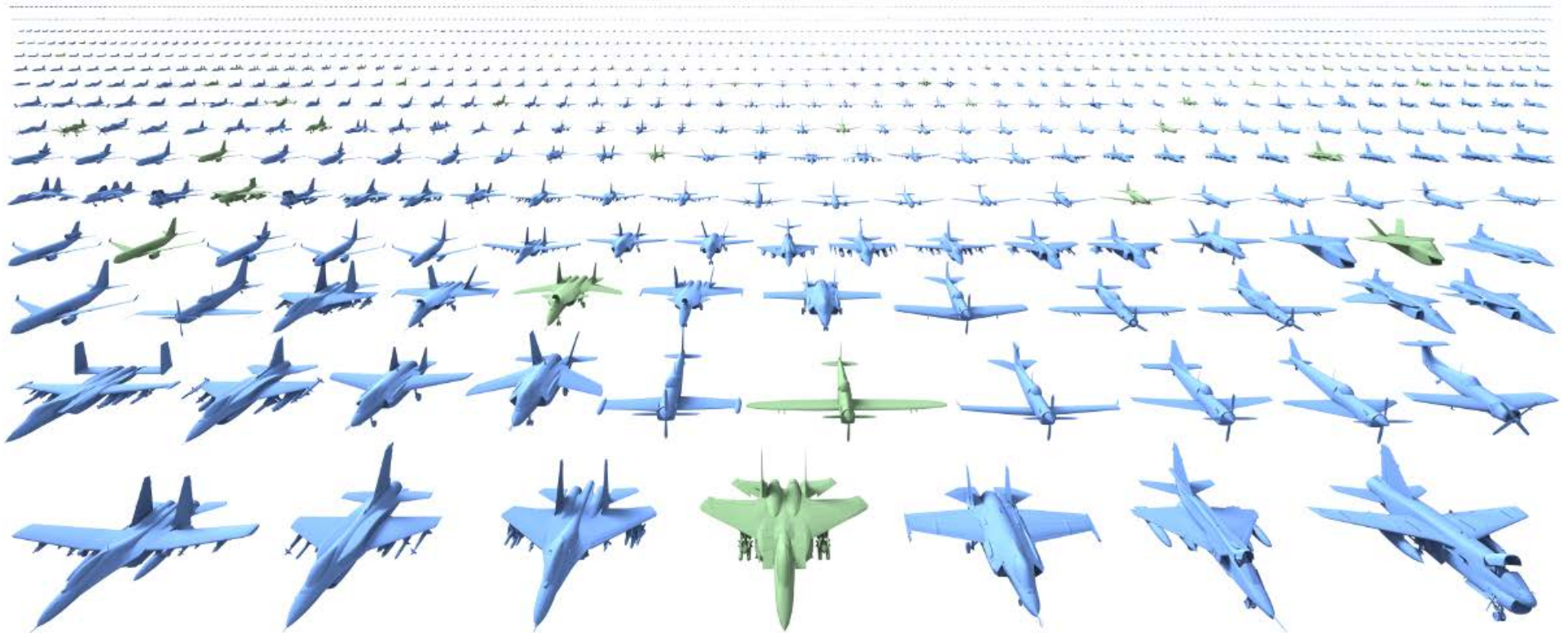
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Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**

Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: Probabilistic Assembly

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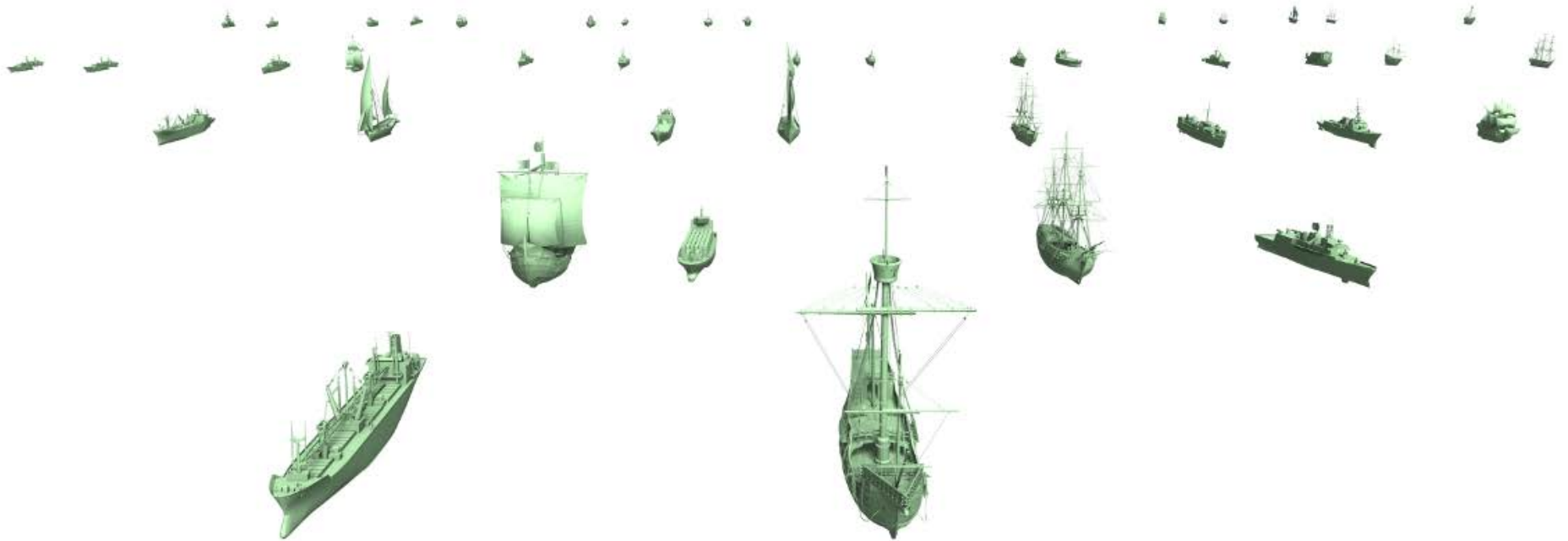
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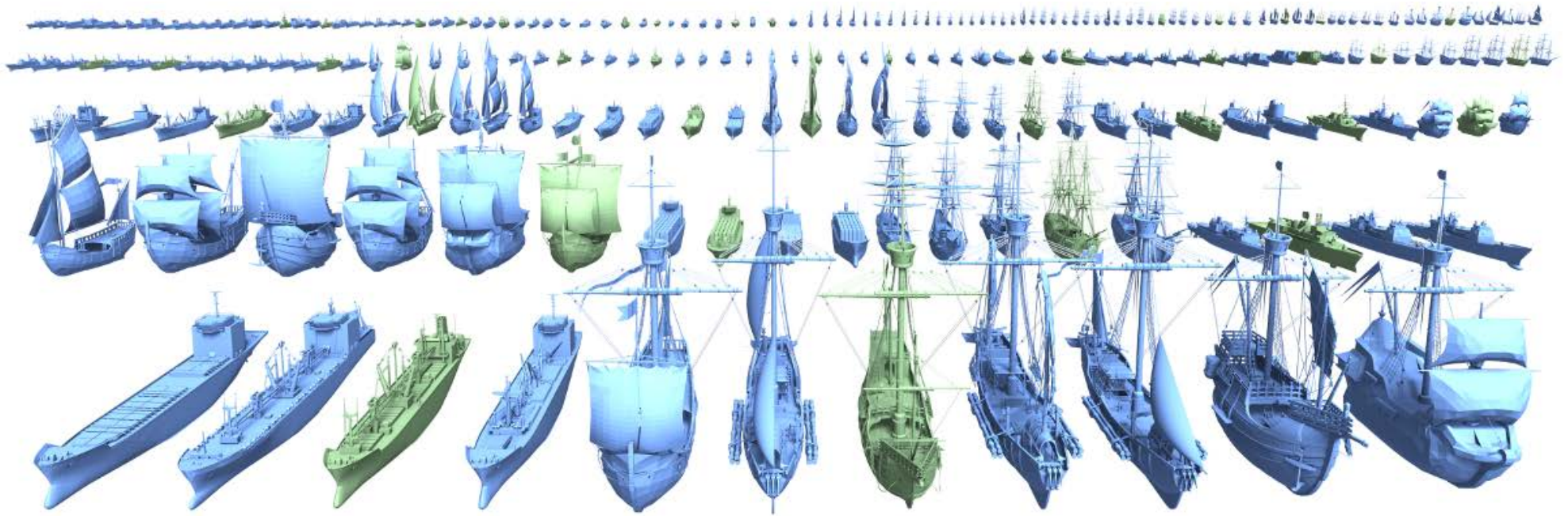


Generality: **Moderate**
Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **Yes**
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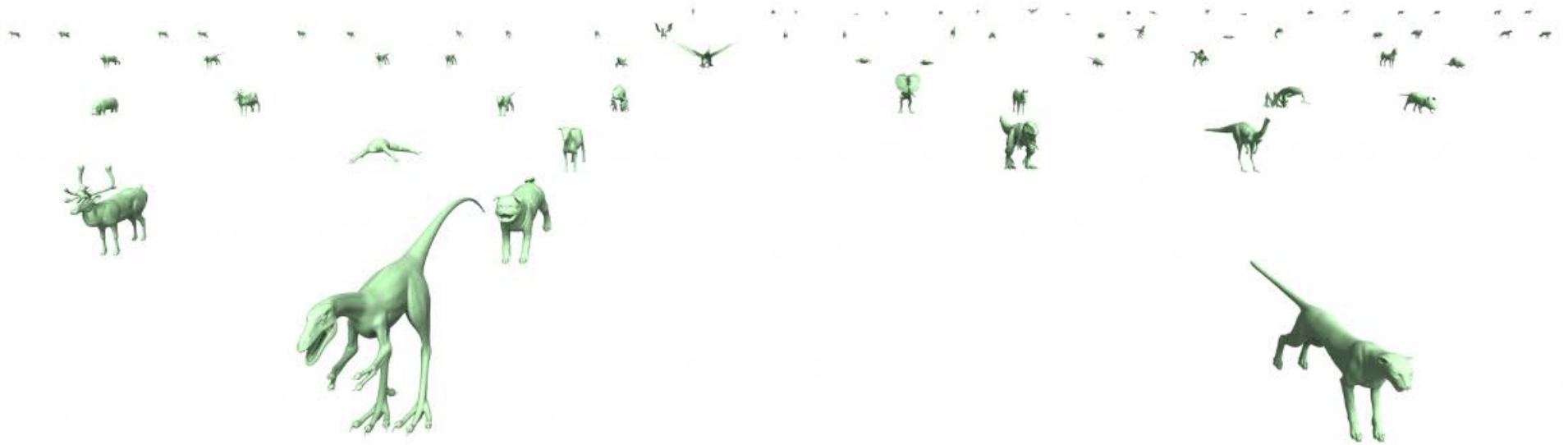
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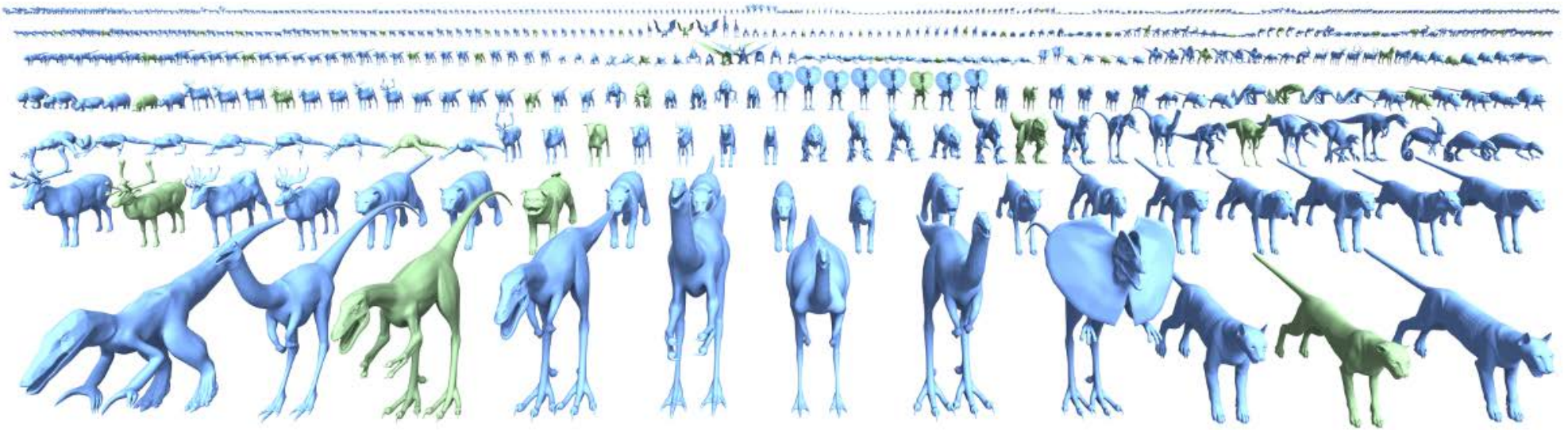
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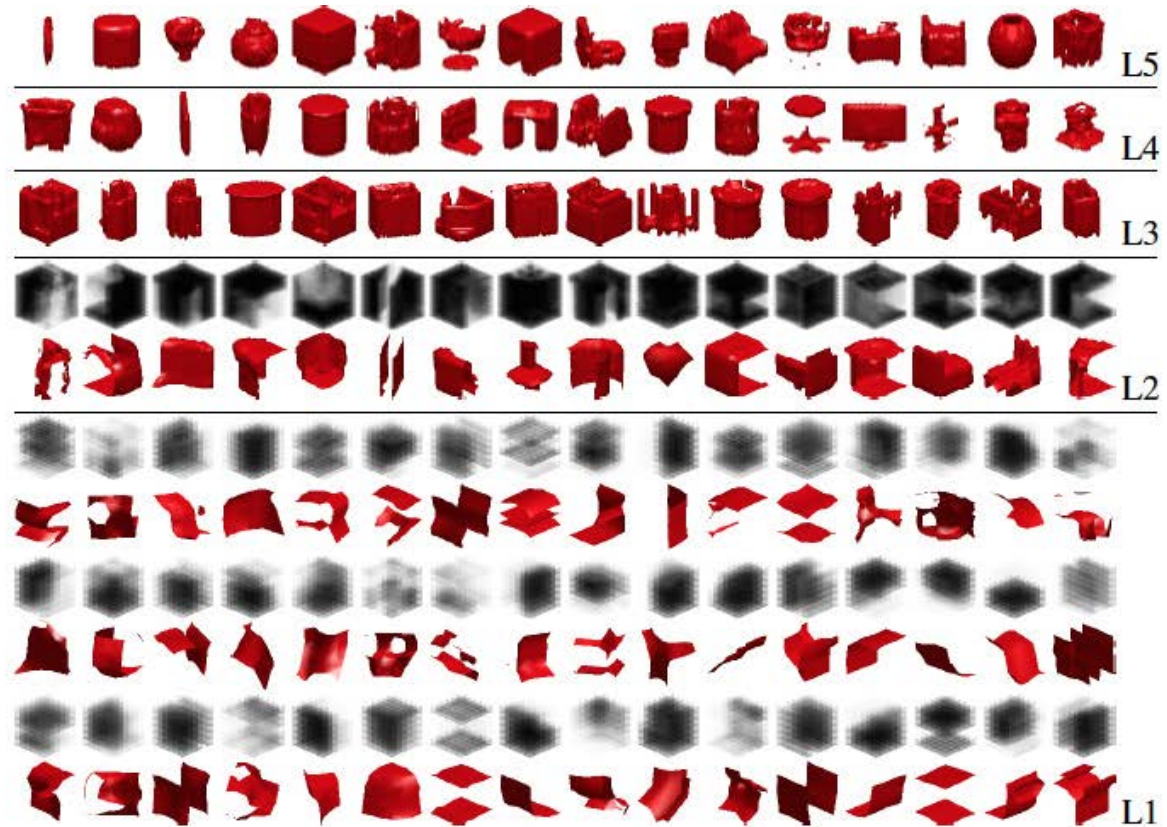
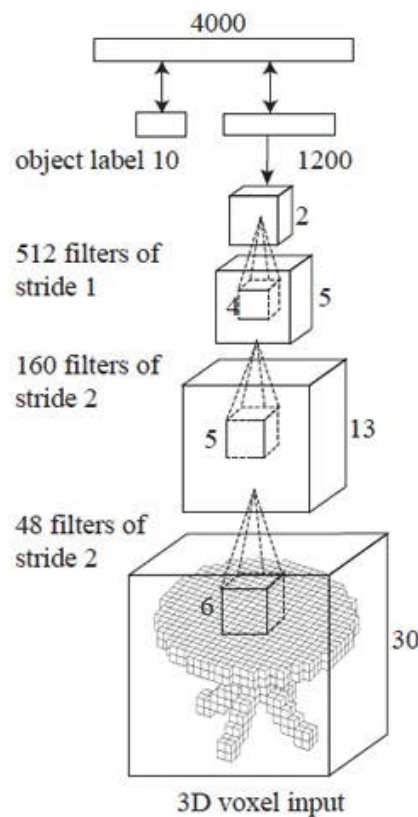
Probabilistic: **Yes**

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Data-driven: **Yes**

Shape Space: 3D Deep Belief Network

(convolutional + fully-connected RBM, stacked layers)



Generality: **High**

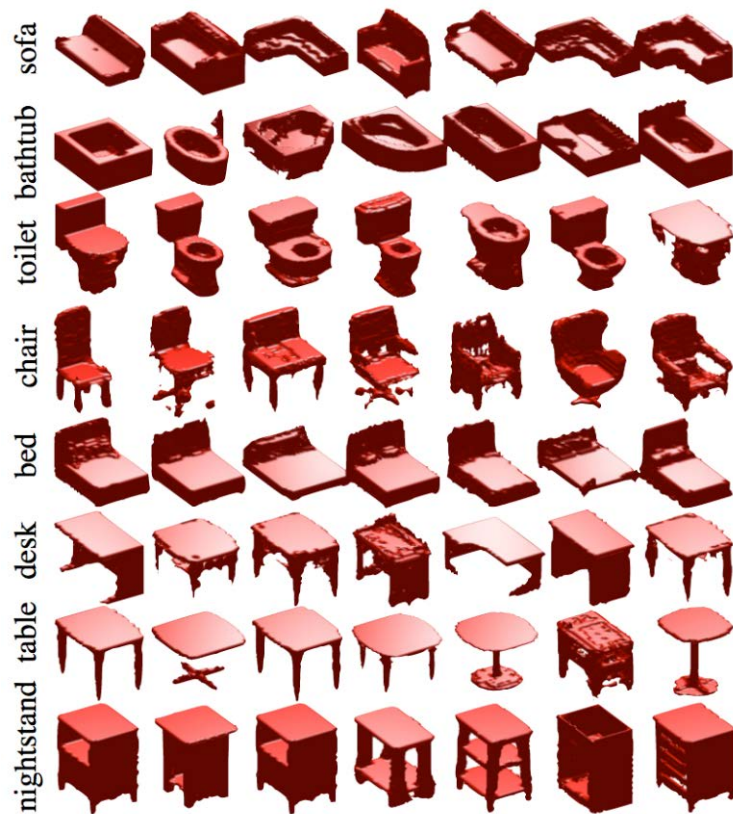
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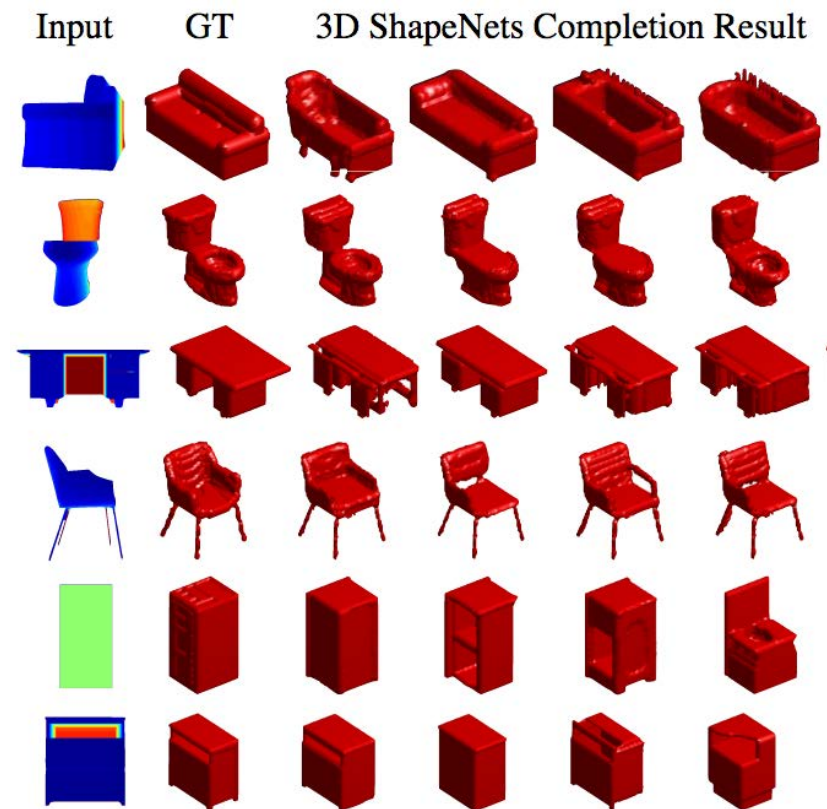
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Sampled shapes



Completed shapes

Generality: **High**

Probabilistic: **Yes**

Meaningful parametrization: **No**

Data-driven: **Yes**

- Make a cute toy

- Make a cute toy
- Make an aerodynamic airplane

- Make a cute toy
- Make an aerodynamic airplane
- Make a comfortable chair

- Make a cute toy
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- Make a comfortable chair
- Make an efficient bicycle

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- Make an aerodynamic airplane
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- Make an efficient bicycle
- Make a professional-looking webpage

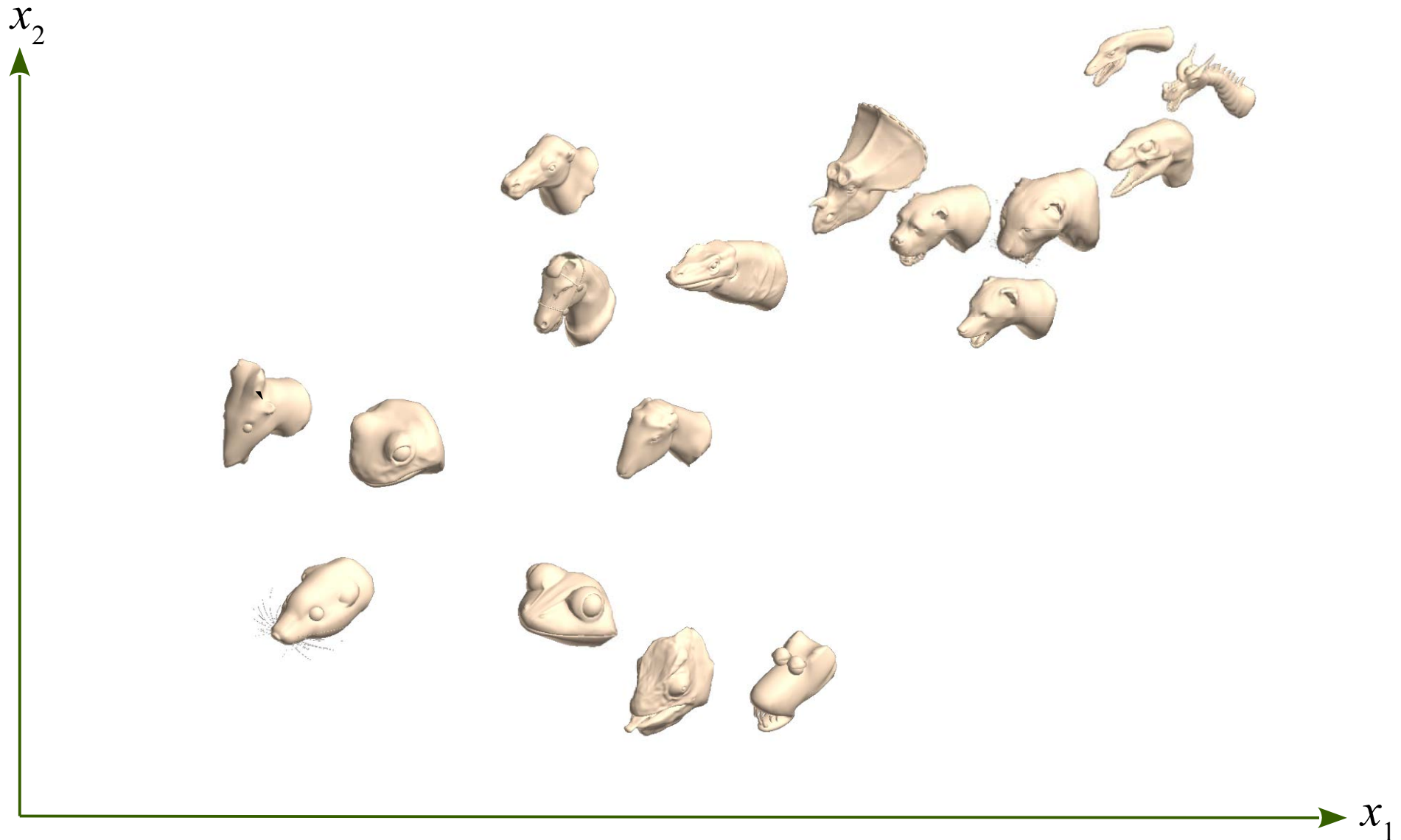
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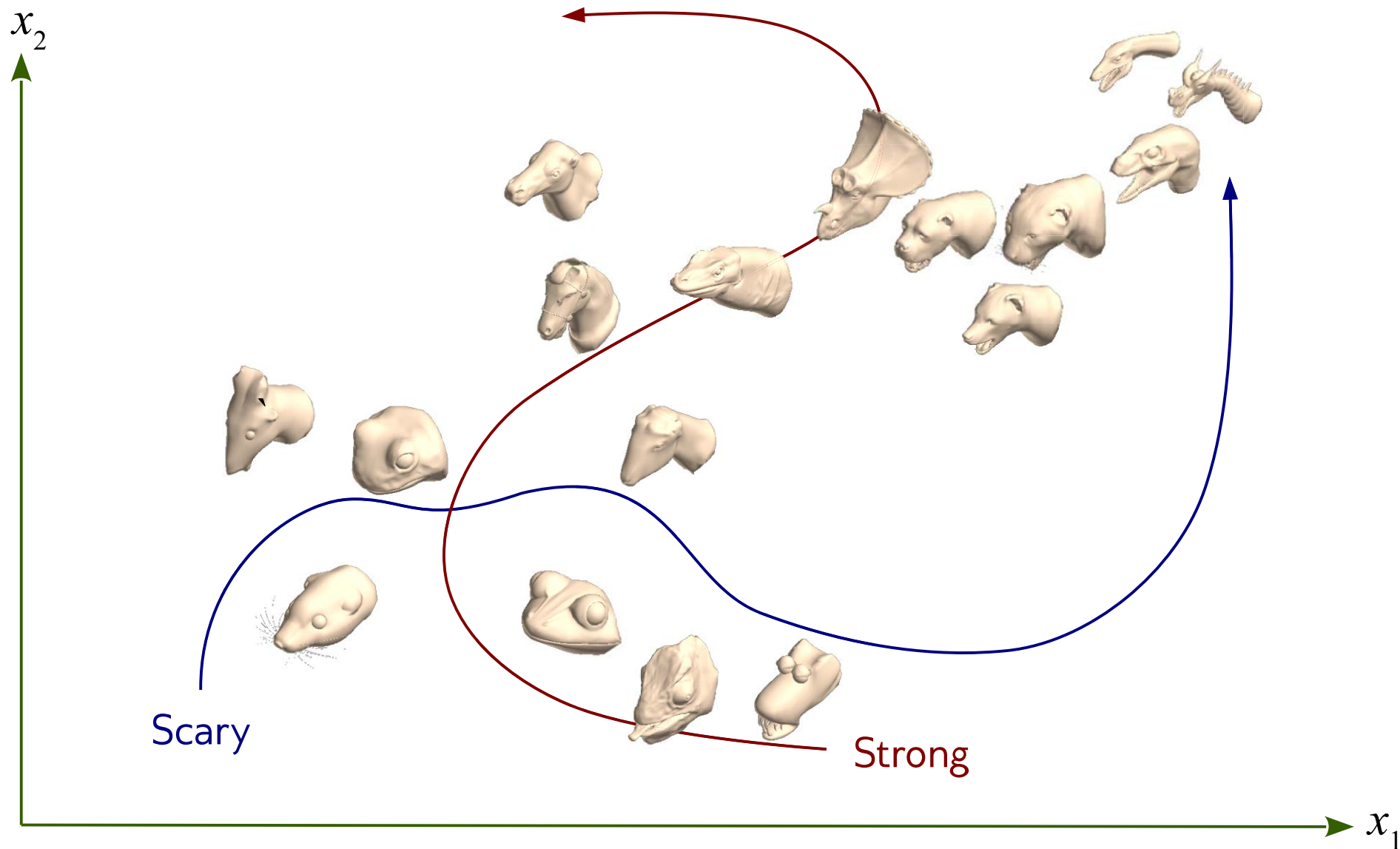
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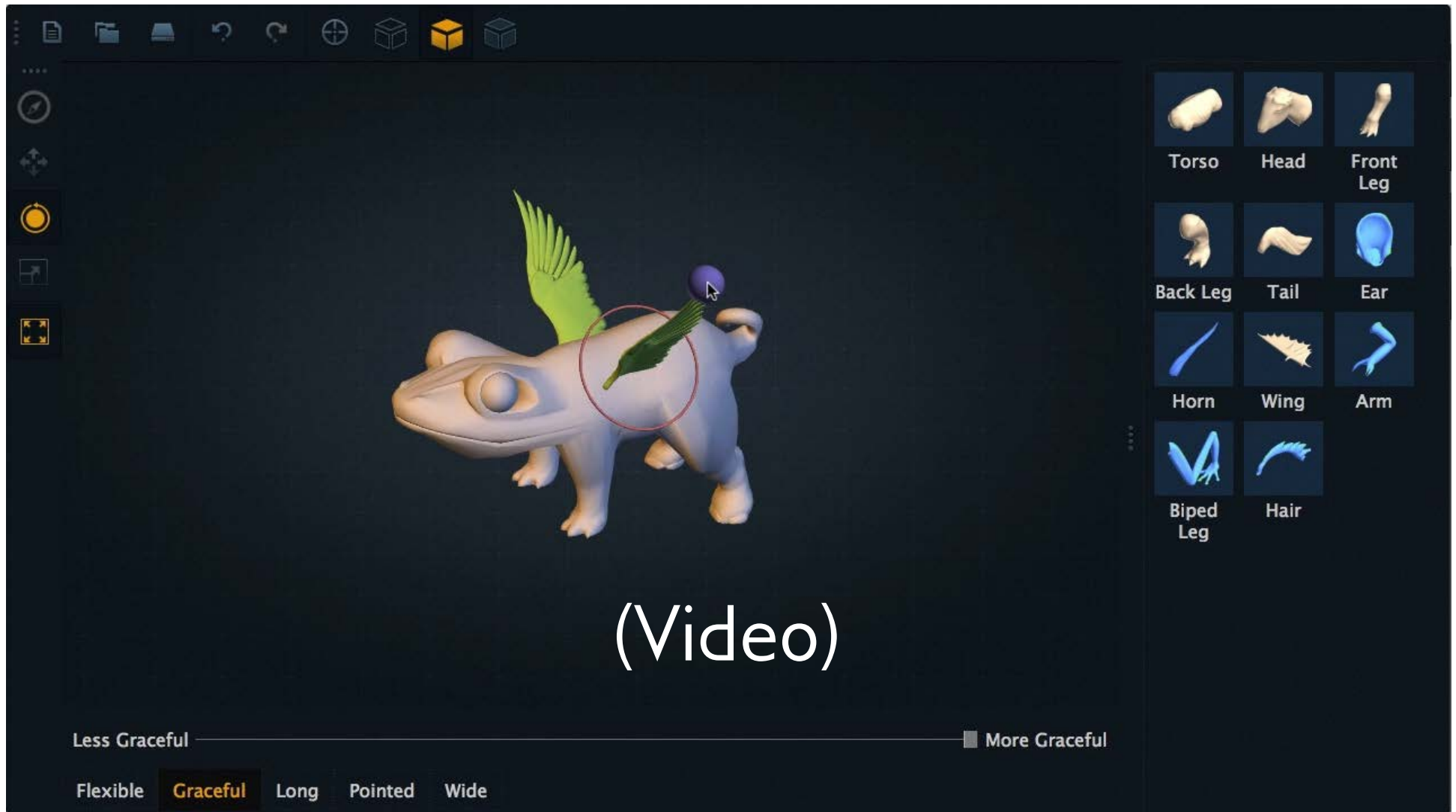
Semantic Basis for Shape Space



Semantic Basis for Shape Space



A cute toy for a small child

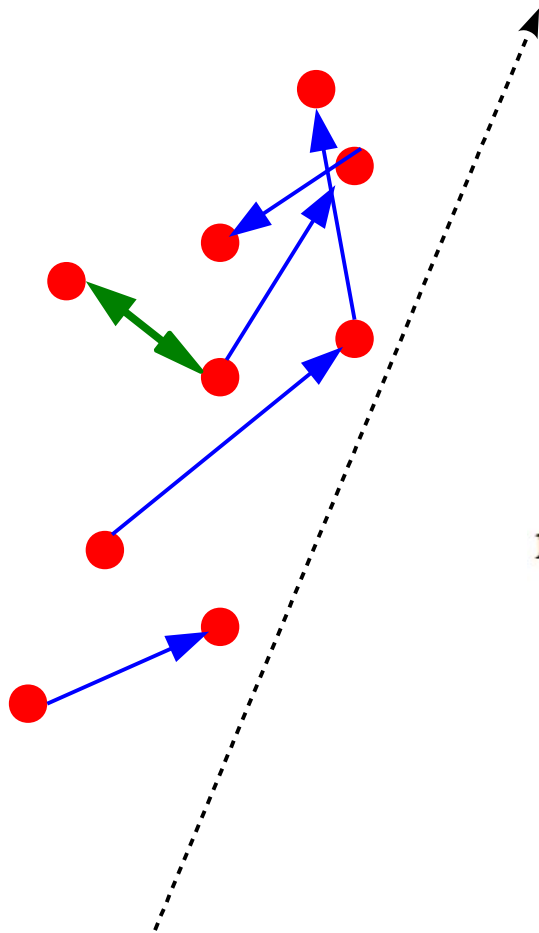


Learning Semantic Attributes

- Crowdsource **comparative adjectives**
 - Amazon Mechanical Turk
 - Schelling survey
- Crowdsource comparisons for **training pairs**
 - A is more [.....] than B
- Learn **ranking functions**
 - f : shape features $\rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 - Rank-SVM with transformed features & sigmoid loss
 - Iterate with cross-correlation between attributes
 - Extend to multi-component rankings

Learning Semantic Attributes

- **Rank-SVM:** Project features onto linear subspace that best preserves pairwise orderings



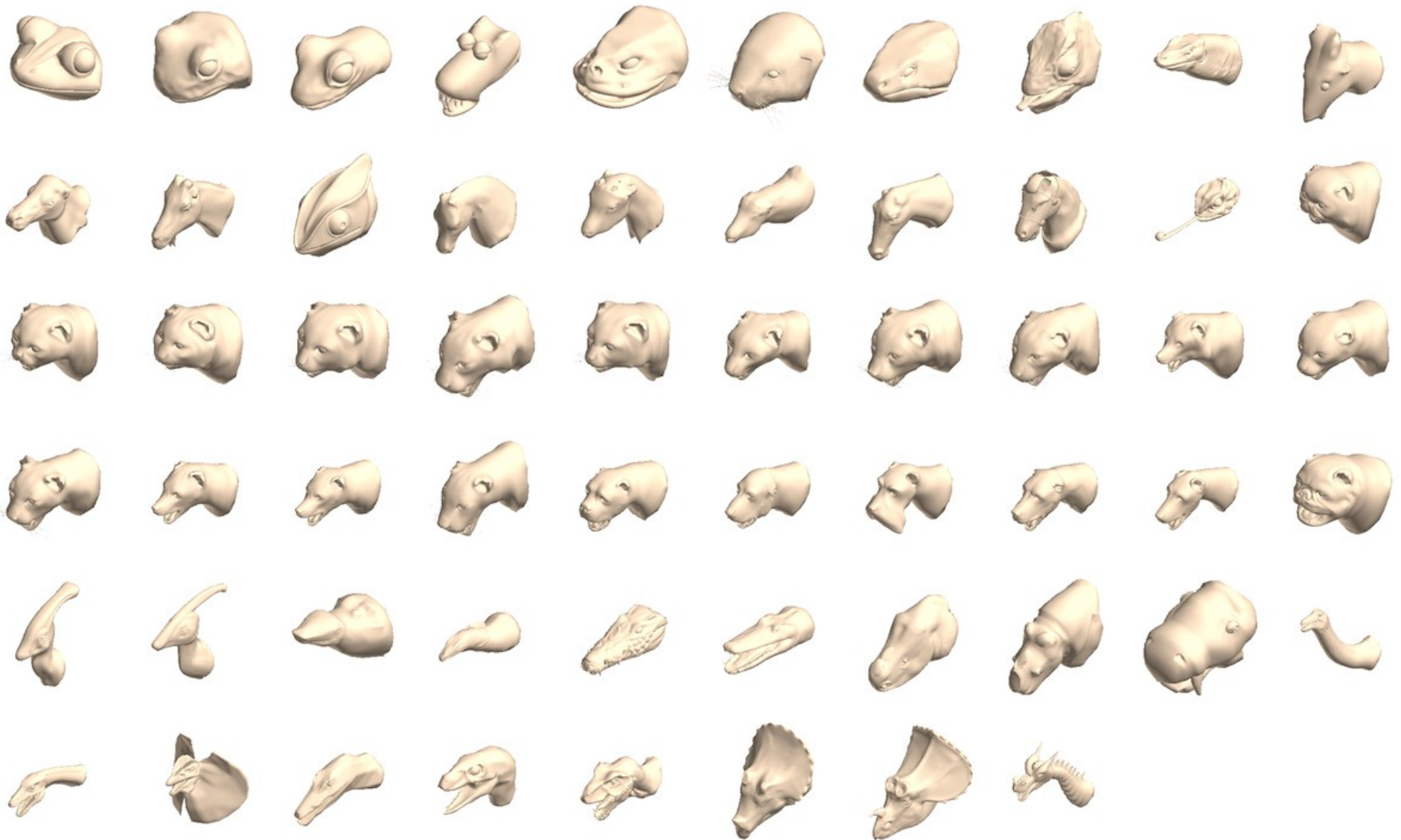
Learn $r_m(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}$

s.t. $\forall (i, j) \in O_m : \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_i > \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_j$
 $\forall (i, j) \in S_m : \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{w}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_j$

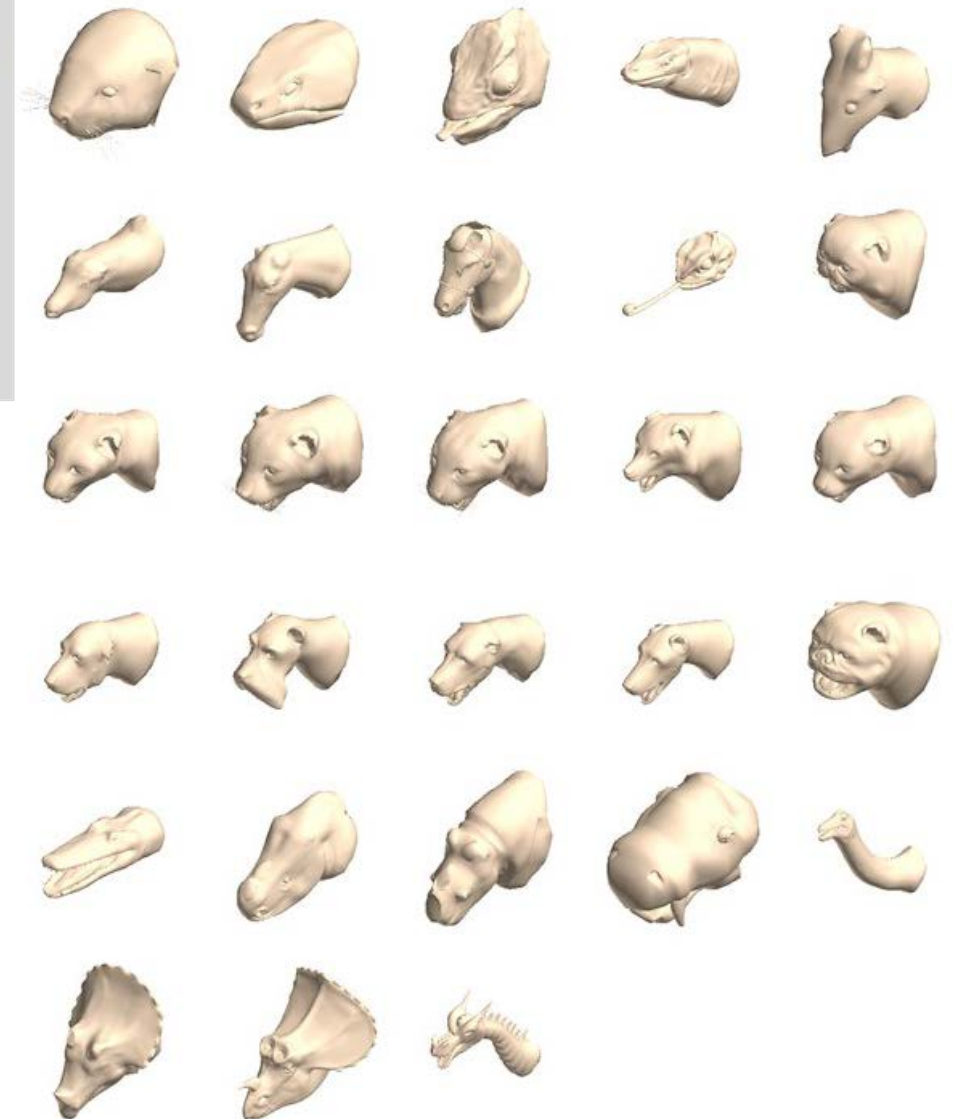
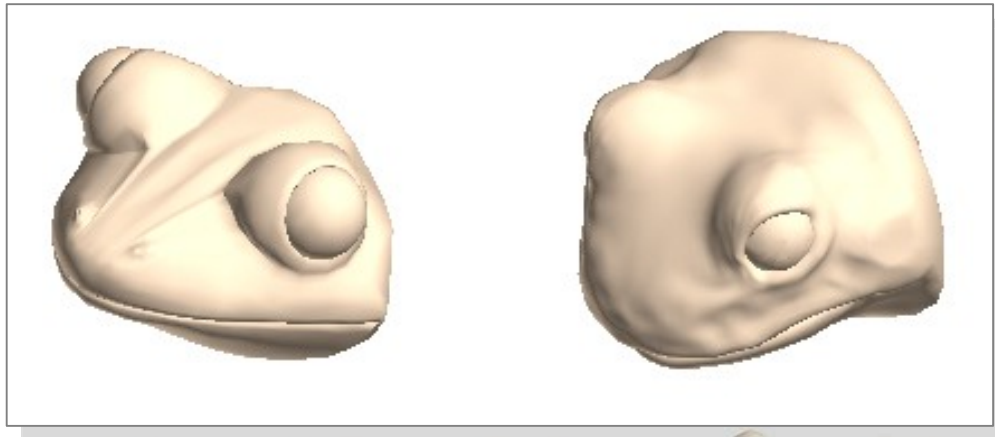


minimize $\|\mathbf{w}_m\|_2^2 + \mu \sum_{i,j \in O_m} c_{ij} (1 - \sigma(\mathbf{w}_m(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)))$
 $+ \nu \sum_{i,j \in S_m} c_{ij} \sigma(|\mathbf{w}_m(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j)|)$

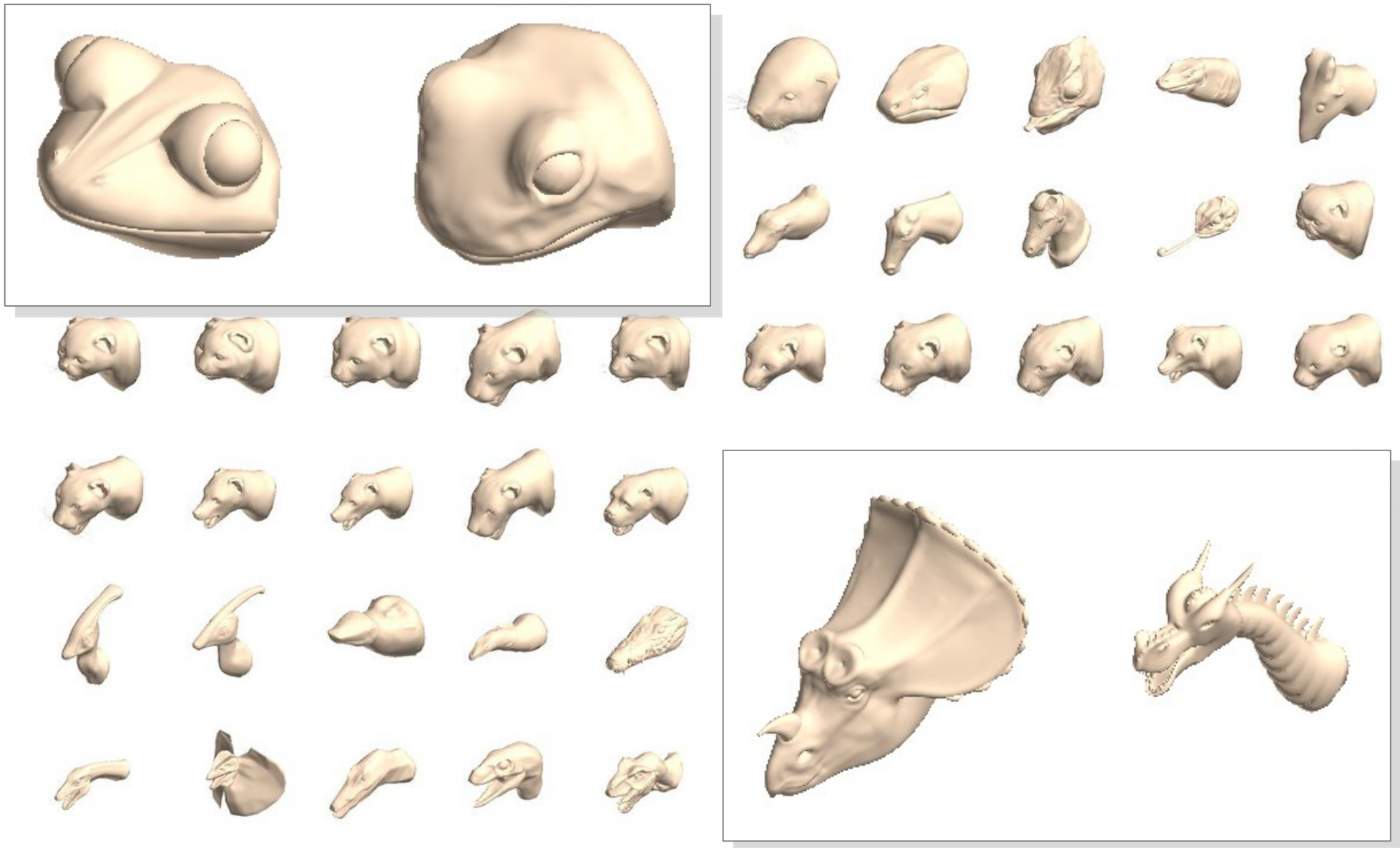
“Dangerous”



“Dangerous”



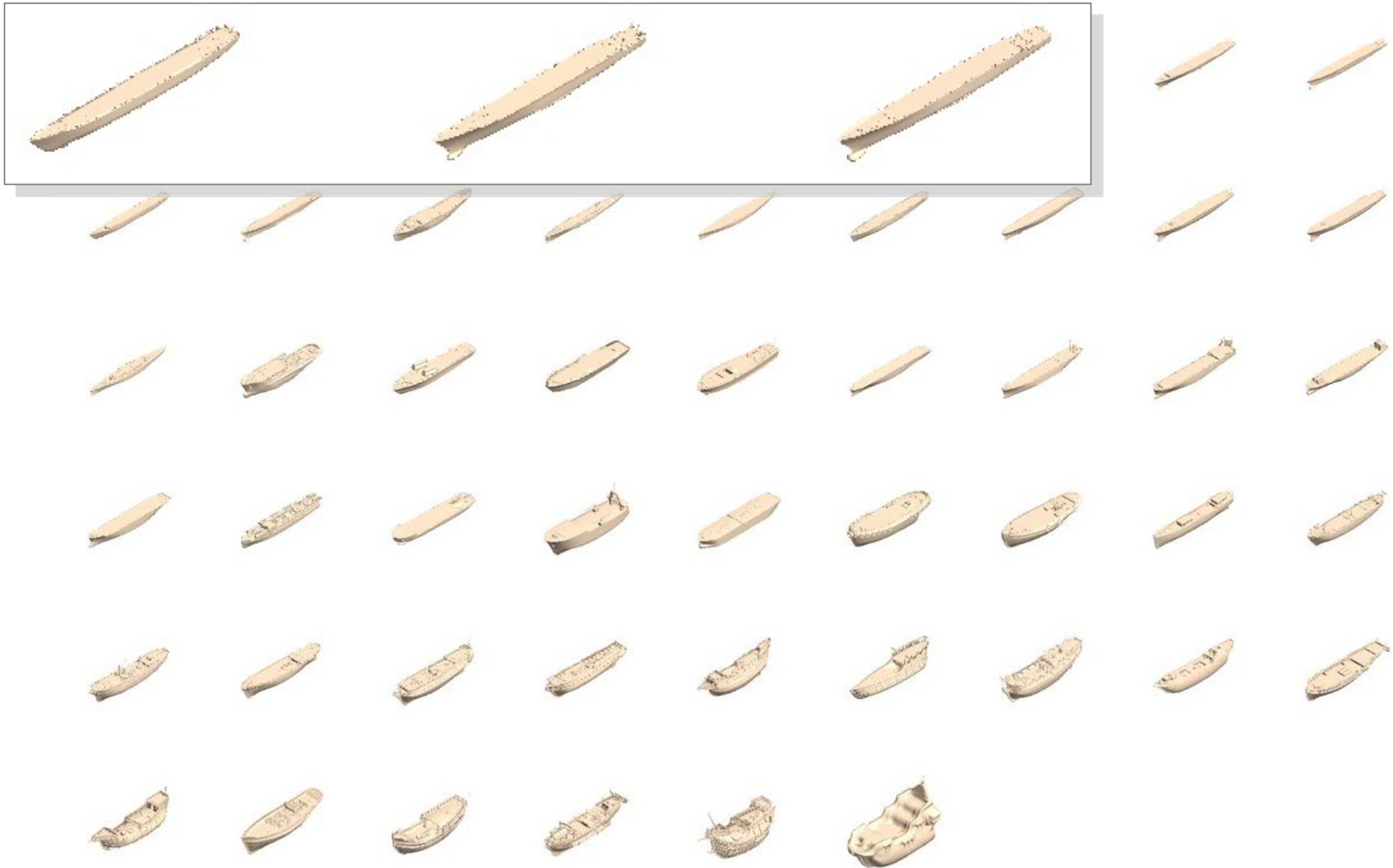
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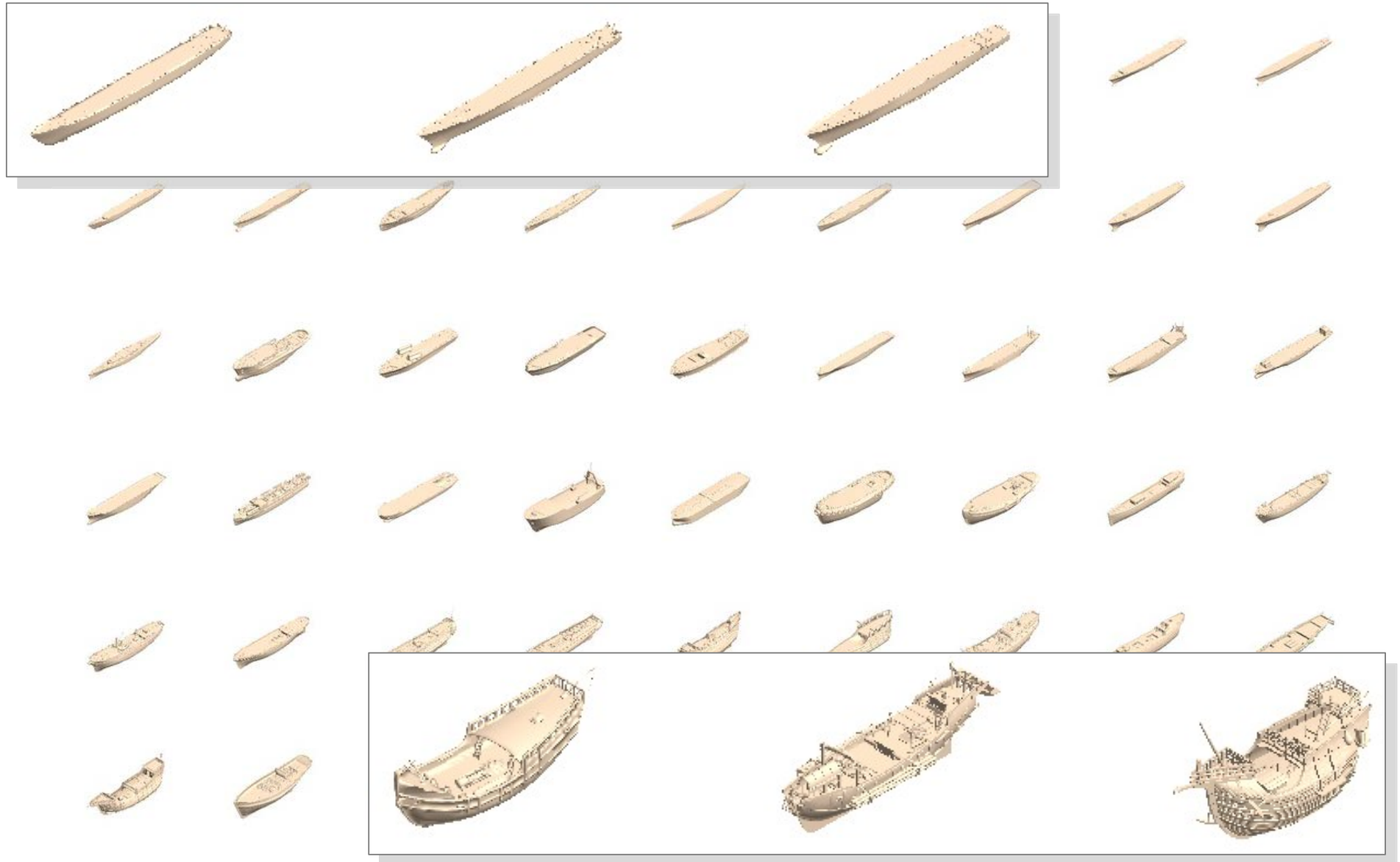
“Old-fashioned”



“Old-fashioned”



“Old-fashioned”



Semantic Shape Editing

(Video)



Less *compact*



More *muscular*



More *sporty*

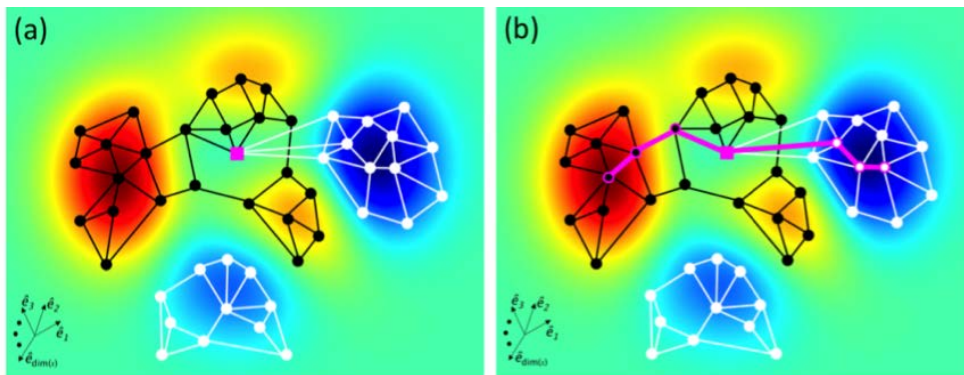
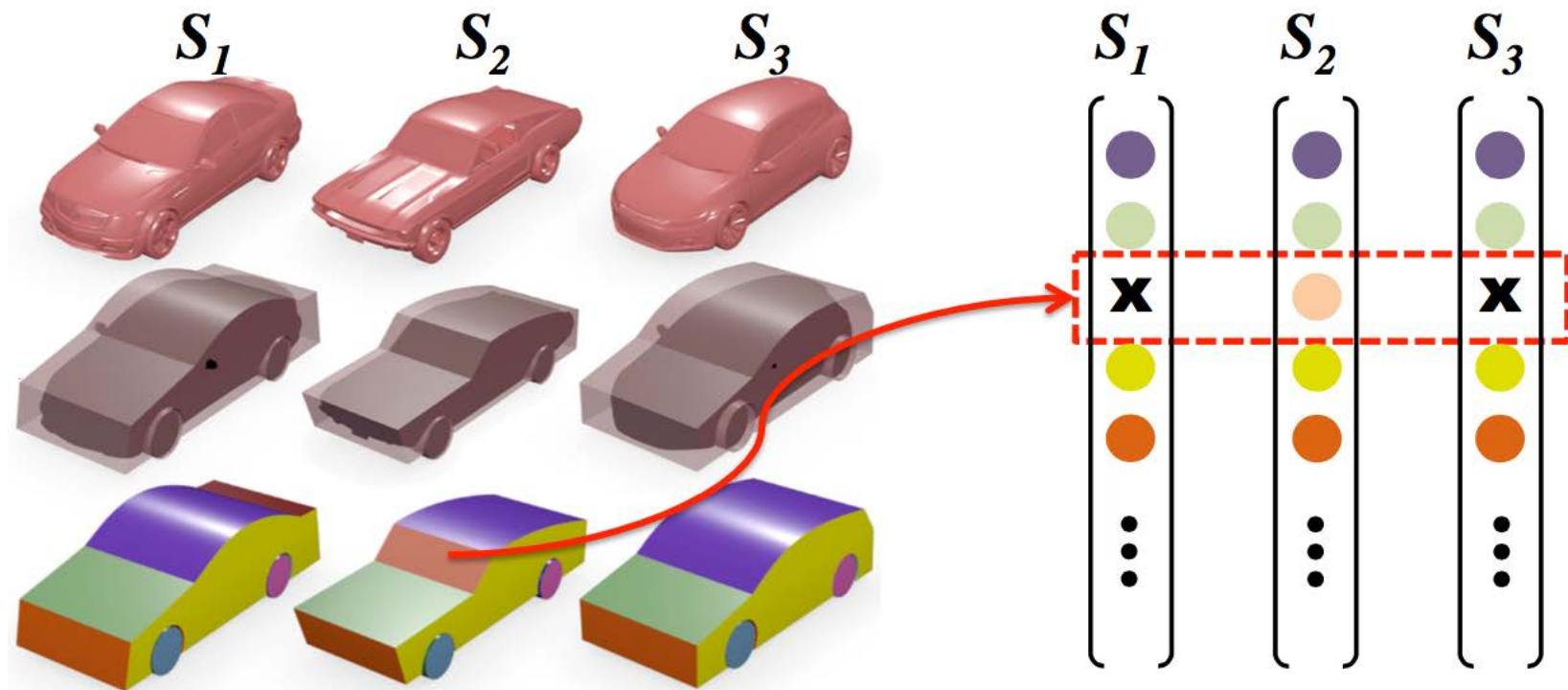


Less *modern*



More *luxurious*

Semantic Shape Editing



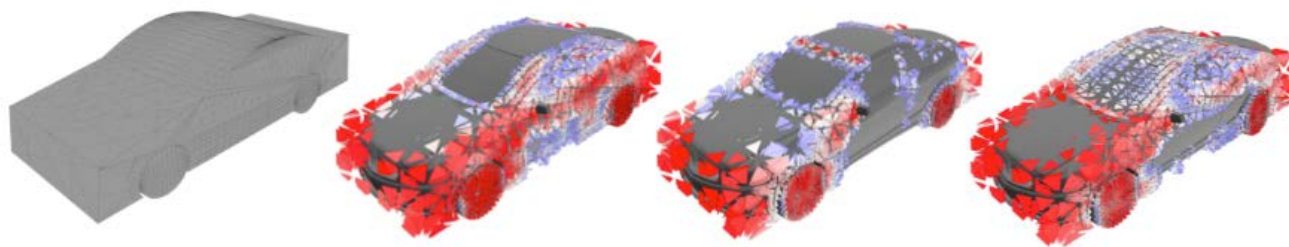
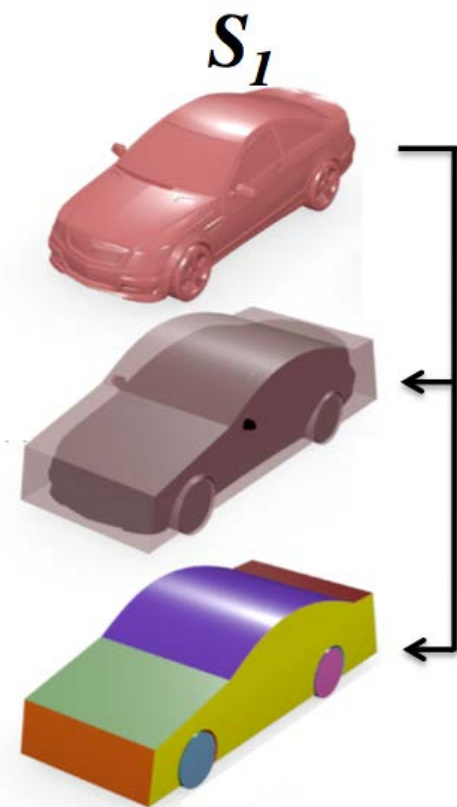
$$\text{minimize}_{p_i} \sum_{\{v_h, \varepsilon_h\} \in \mathcal{H}} \left(\sum_{i \in v_h} |p_i - f_i| + \lambda \sum_{j \in \varepsilon_h} -\log \left(\frac{\beta_j}{\pi} \right) \right)$$

Three 3D models of a cube: a grey cube, a yellow cube with a white face, and a grey cube with a white face.

Deformation Space = Feature Space

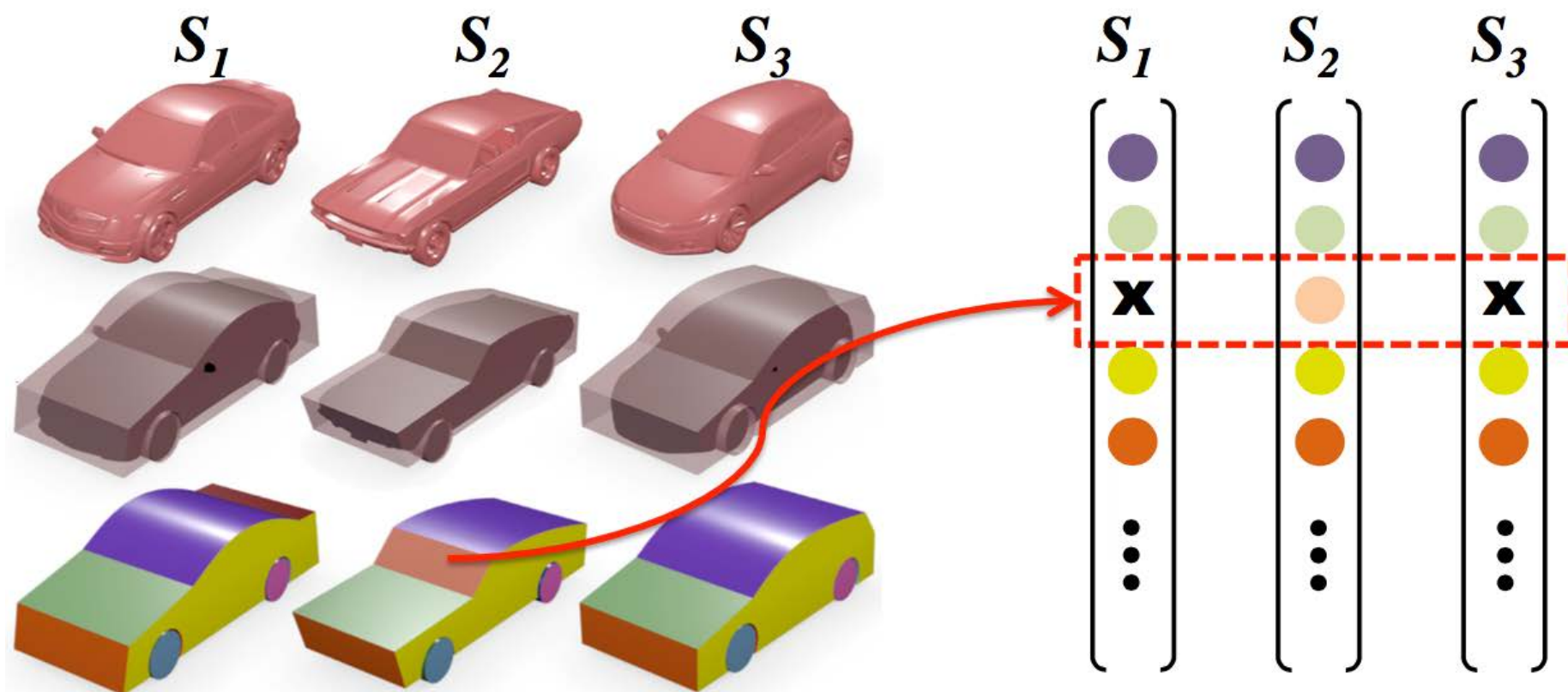
Use deformation handle parameters as shape features

- Sphere: $r, p_i | i \in \{x, y, z\}$
- Cylinder: $r, p_i, \theta_i | i \in \{x, y, z\}$
- Circular Cone: $r, \beta, p_i, \theta_i | i \in \{x, y, z\}$
- Quadric: $k_1, k_2, p_i, \theta_i | i \in \{x, y, z\}$

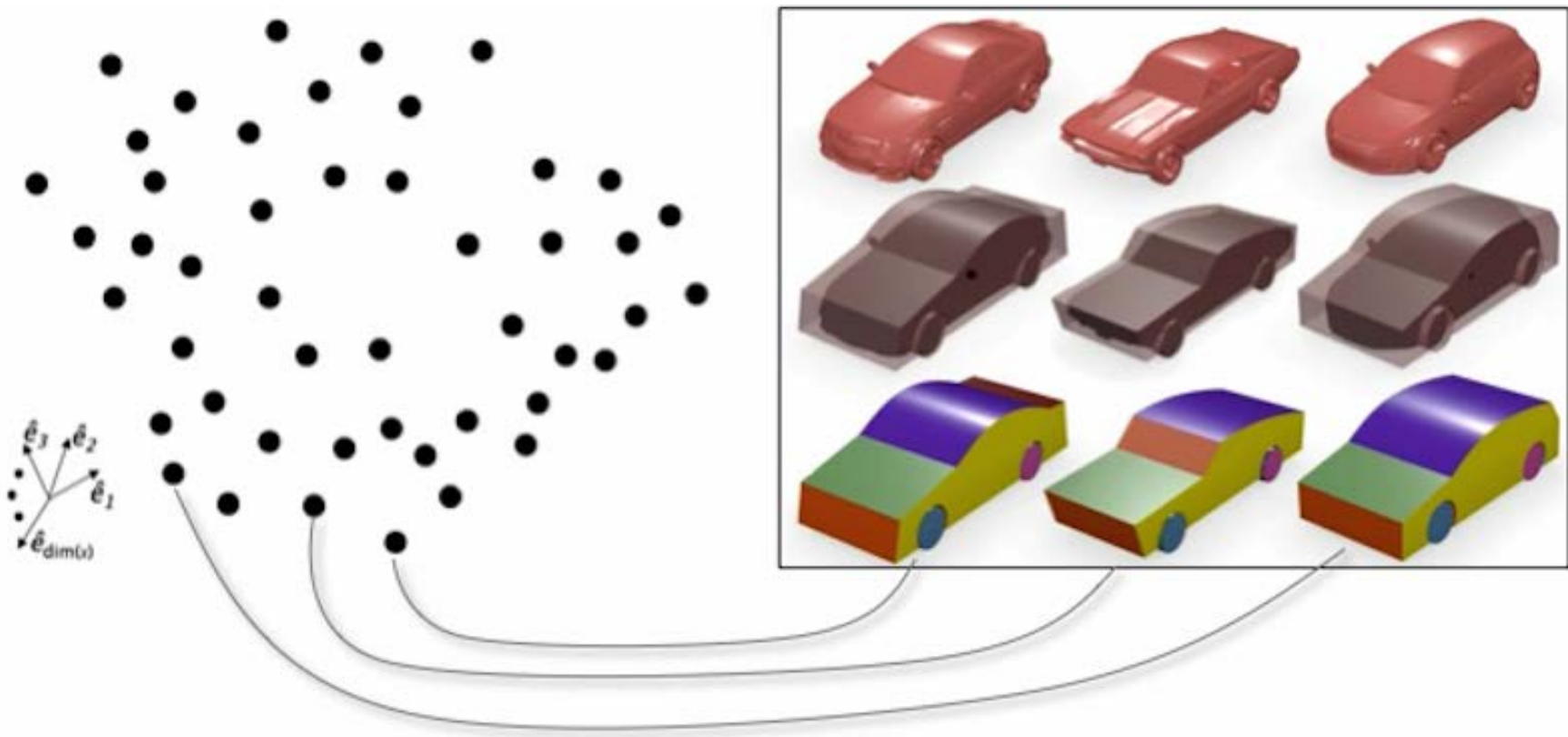


Deformation Space = Feature Space

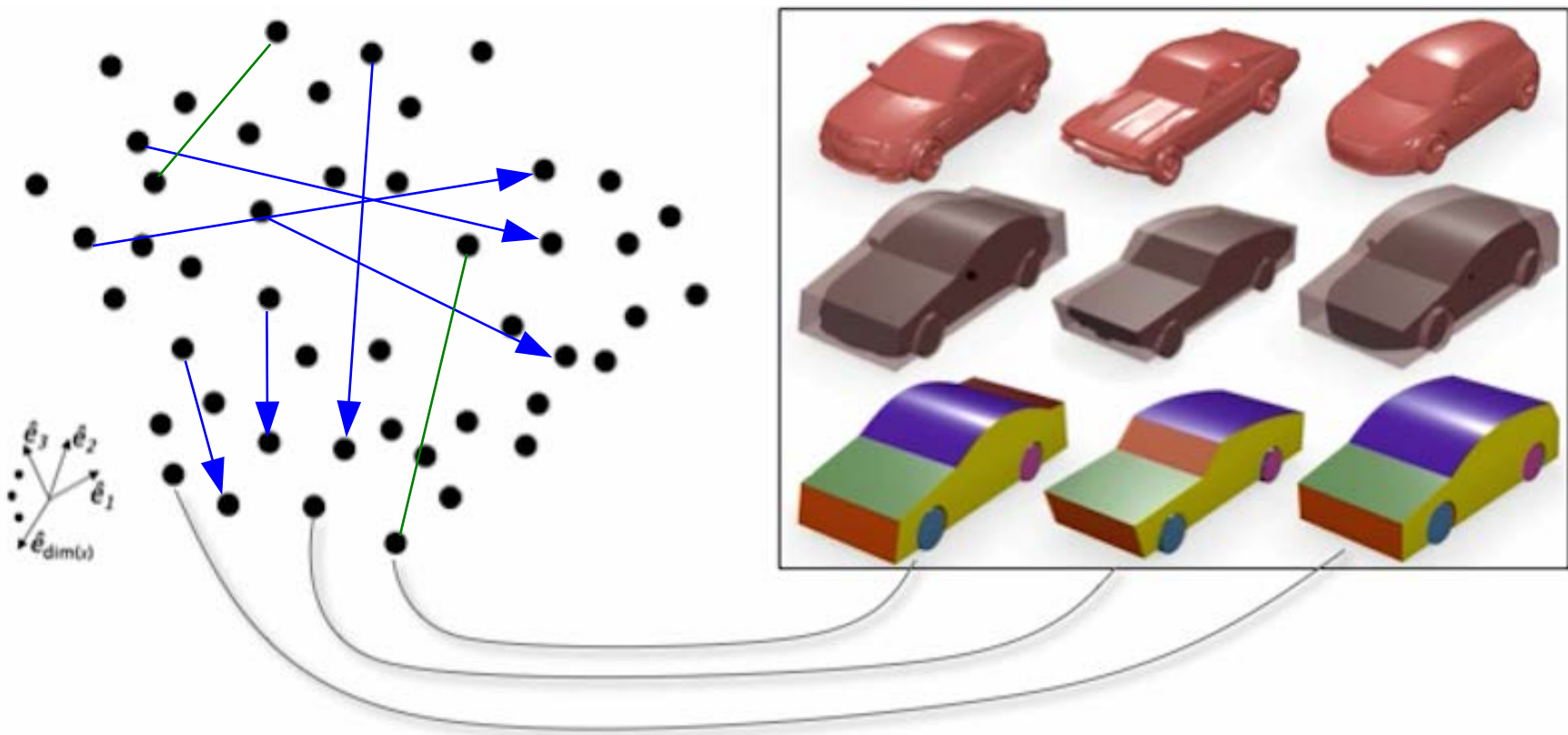
Use deformation handle parameters as shape features



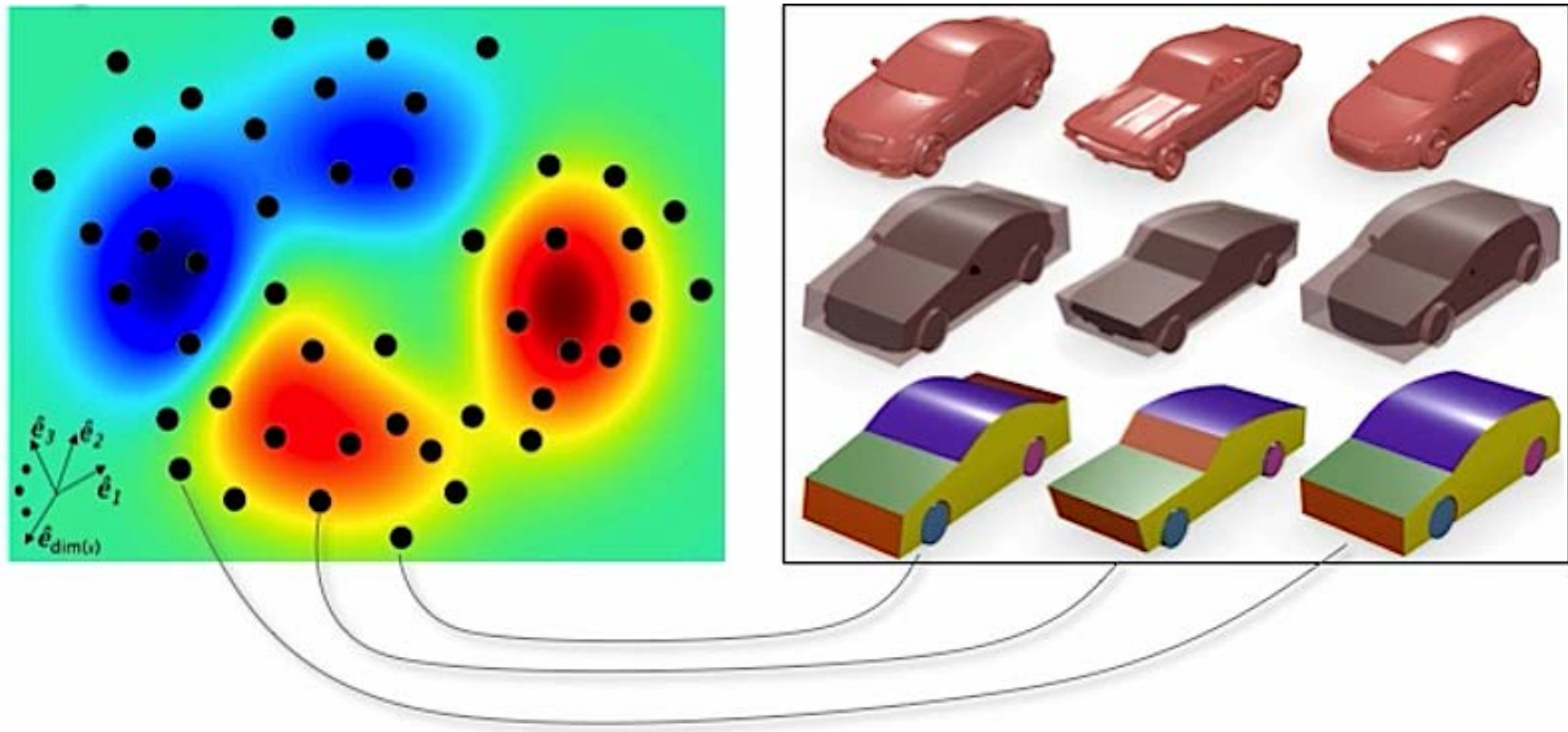
Deformation Space = Feature Space



Comparisons in Feature Space



Attribute Distribution over Feature Space



Attribute Learning: Absolute Scores

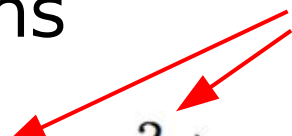
- Assume normally distributed absolute scores

$${}_aP_i \sim N({}_a\mu_i, {}_a\sigma_i^2) = \frac{1}{{}_a\sigma_i\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-{}_a\mu_i)^2}{2{}_a\sigma_i^2}}$$

- Pairwise comparisons modeled as difference of normal distributions

$${}_aP_i - {}_aP_j \sim N({}_a\mu_{ij}, {}_a\sigma_{ij}^2) = N({}_a\mu_i - {}_a\mu_j, {}_a\sigma_i^2 + {}_a\sigma_j^2)$$

from user study statistics



- Solve overdetermined linear system

$${}_a\mu_i - {}_a\mu_j = {}_a\mu_{ij} \qquad {}_a\sigma_i^2 + {}_a\sigma_j^2 = {}_a\sigma_{ij}^2$$

Attribute Learning: Scoring Function

$$\tilde{f}_a(\mathbf{x}_s) = \sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} \frac{w_t(\mathbf{x}_s)}{\sum_j w_j(\mathbf{x}_s)} f_a(\mathbf{x}_t)$$

$$w_t(\mathbf{x}_s) = {}_a r_t \|\mathbb{1}_s \cdot \mathbb{1}_t \cdot (\mathbf{x}_s - \mathbf{x}_t)\|^{-p}$$

\mathbf{x}_s : feature vector of the new shape

\mathbf{x}_t : feature vector of shape t from database

$\tilde{f}_a(\mathbf{x}_s)$: attribute score of the new shape

$f_a(\mathbf{x}_t)$: attribute score of shape t from database

\mathcal{T} : set of all shapes in the database

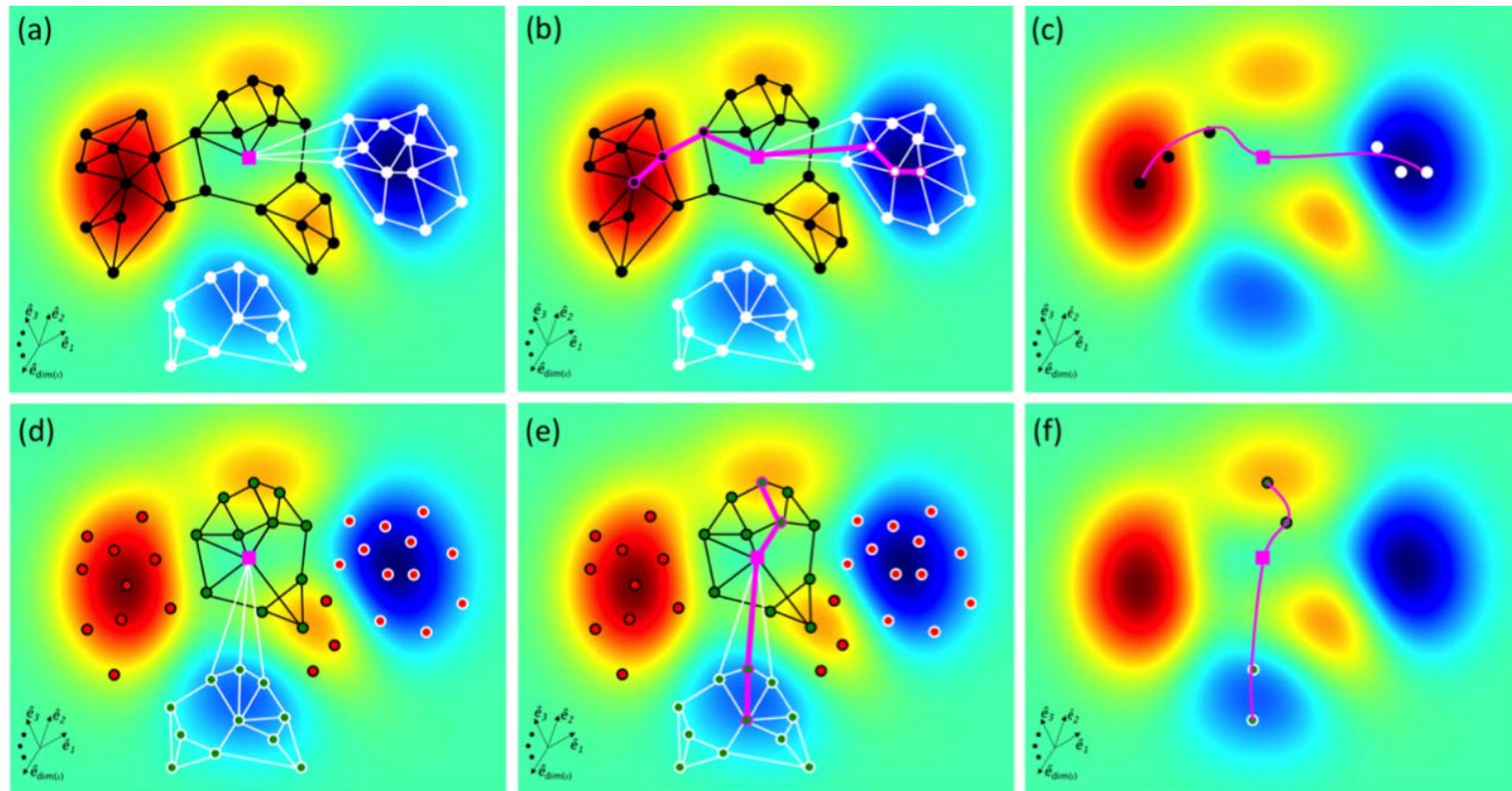
$\mathbb{1}_i$: indicator function of feature vector i

${}_a r_t$: reliability factor

$$f_a(\mathbf{x}_t) = {}_a \mu_t$$

$${}_a r_t = 1 / {}_a \sigma_k^2$$

Constrained Path Traversal

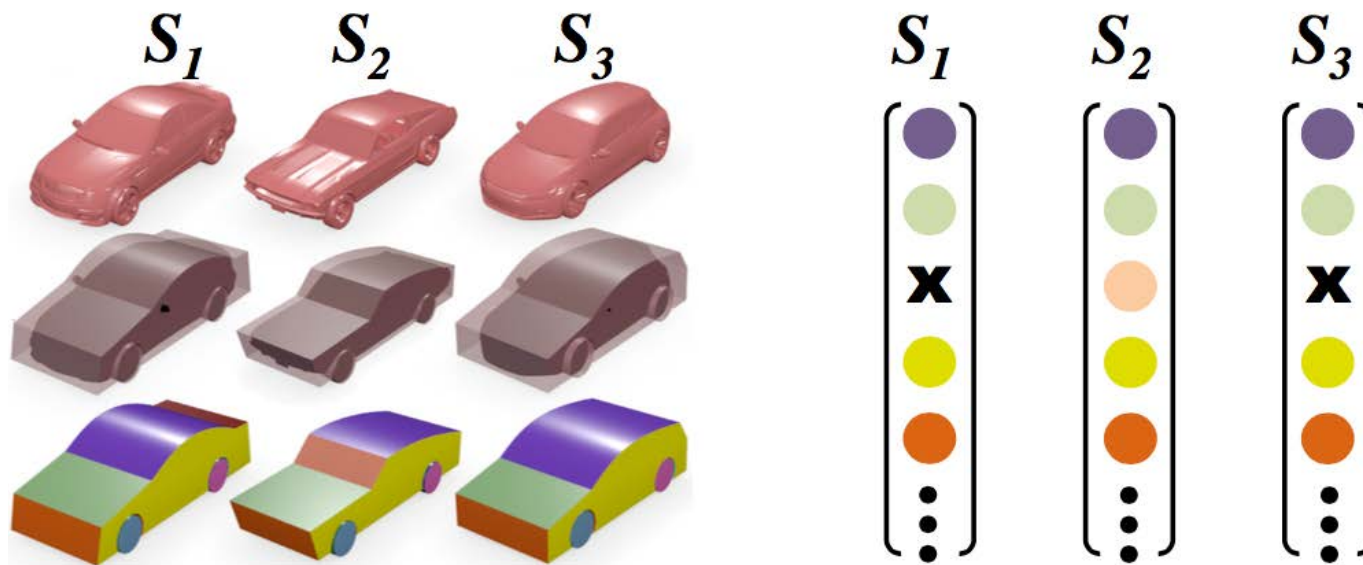


Less Attribute Values (for which the slider is being designed) More

- : Edited shape's current location in feature space
- : Shapes with higher attribute value
- : Shapes with lower attribute value
- : Edited shape's spline path mapped to the slider
- : Shapes that violate the active constraint
- : Shapes that do not violate the active constraint

Deformation from a Given Feature Vector

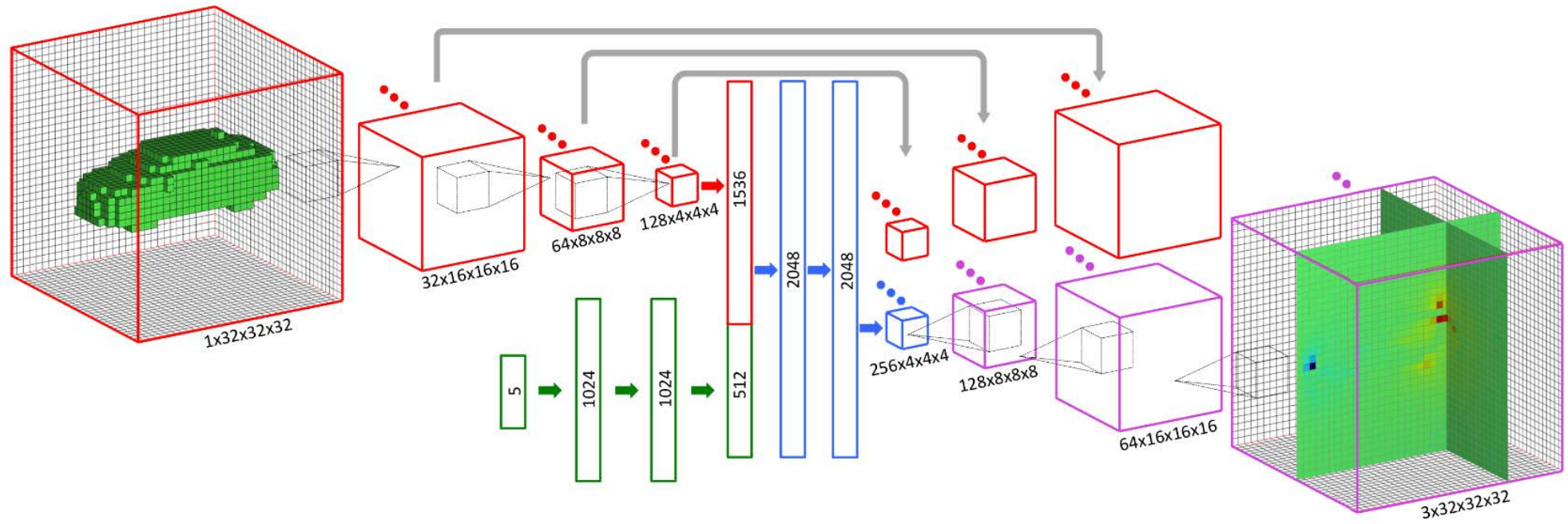
Flashback: Deformation handle parameters = shape feature vector



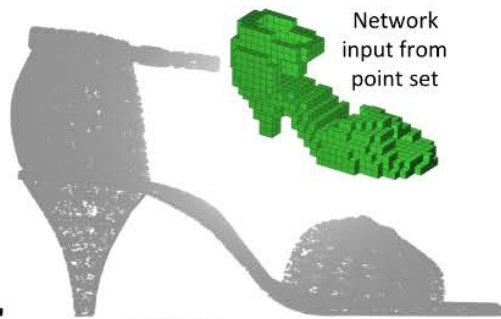
$$\underset{p_i}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{\{v_h, \varepsilon_h\} \in \mathcal{H}} \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{V}_h} |p_i - f_i| + \lambda \sum_{j \in \mathcal{E}_h} -\log \left(\frac{\beta_j}{\pi} \right) \right)$$



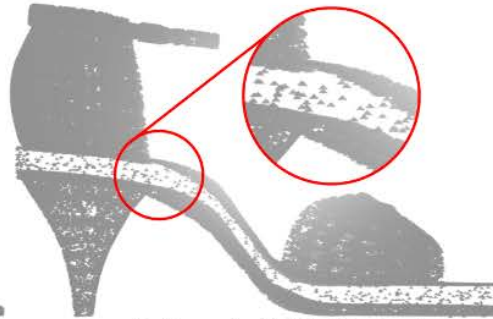
Semantic Deformation Flow



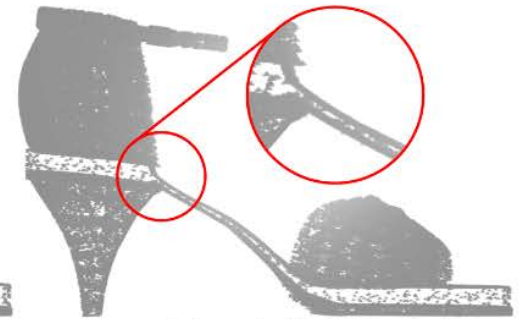
Original Shape



Point Set

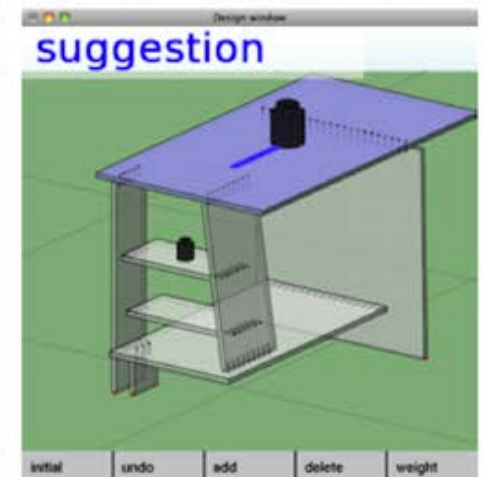
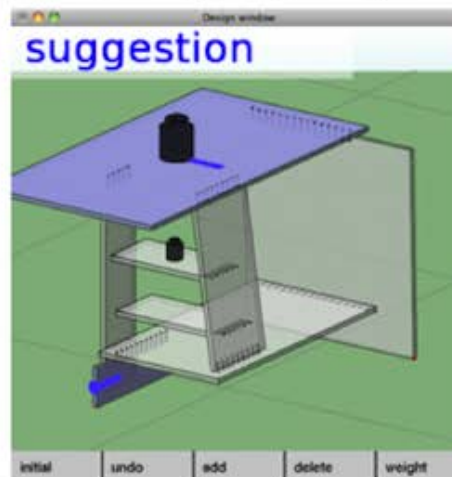
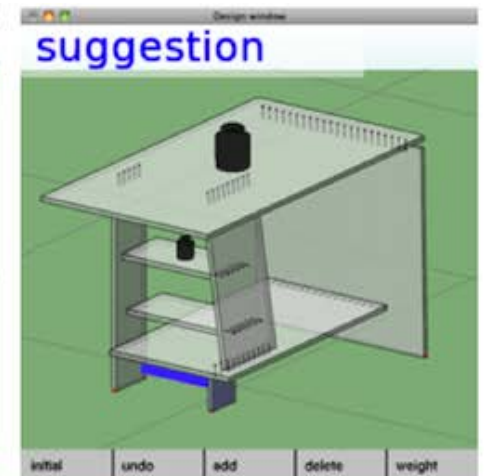
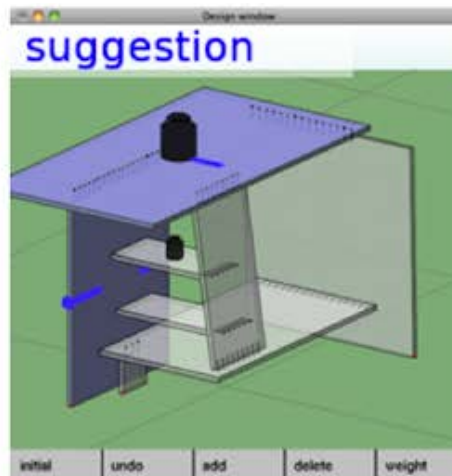
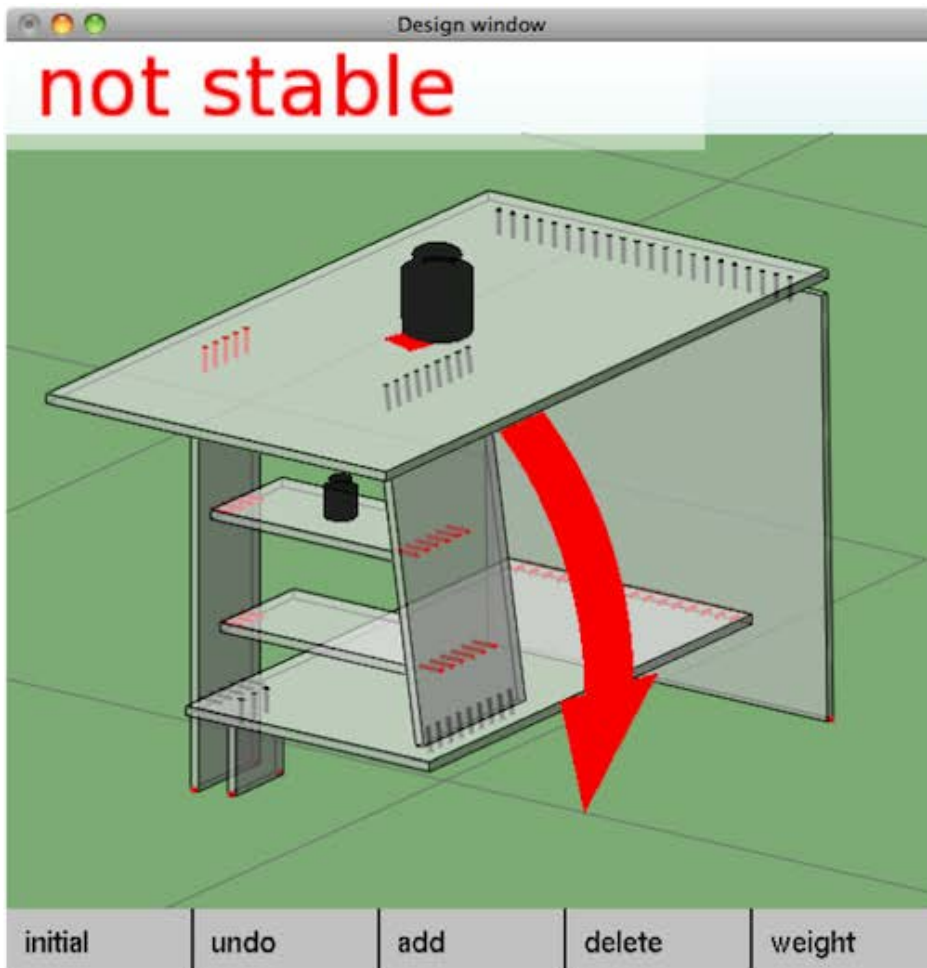


Deformed with F2-32 output

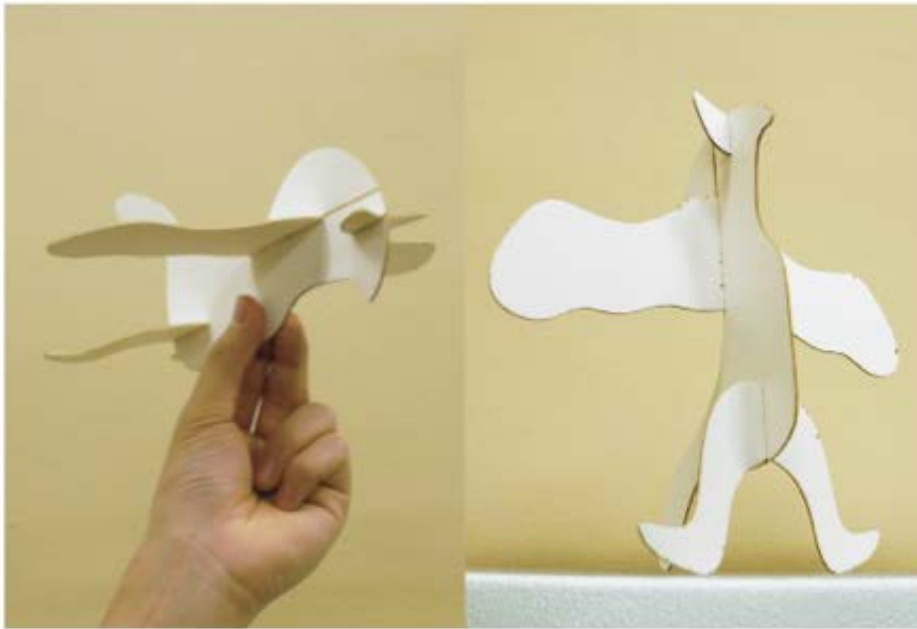


Deformed with F1-32 output

Designing for Mechanical Function



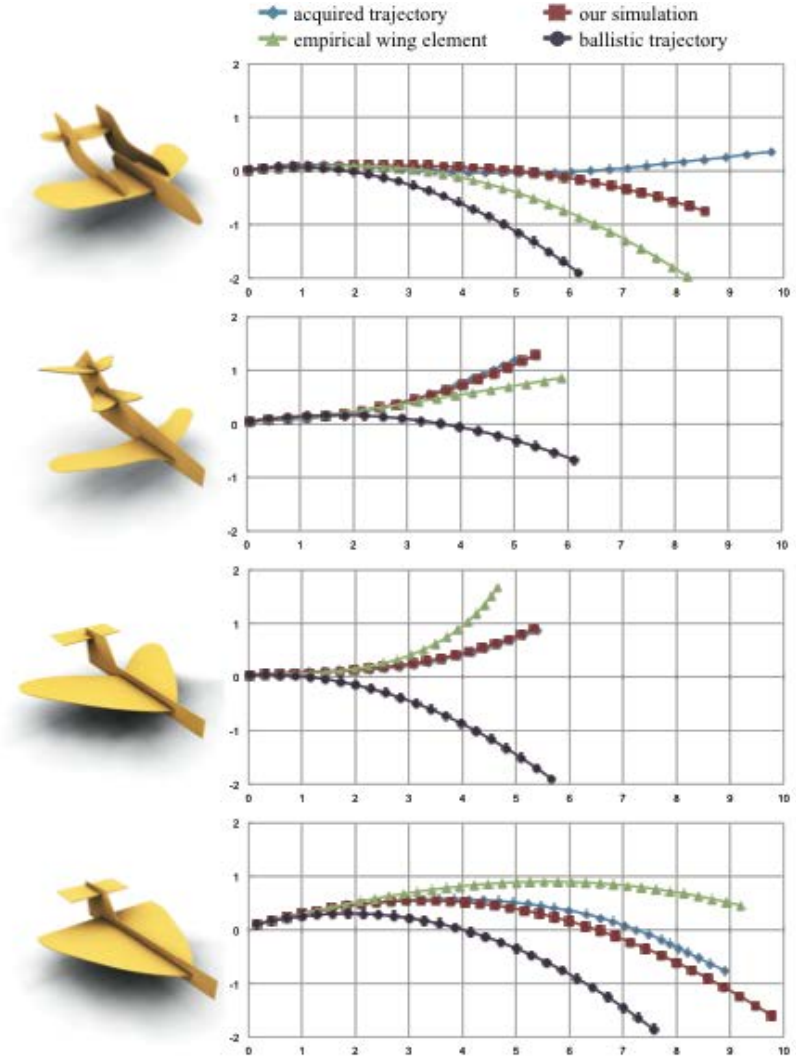
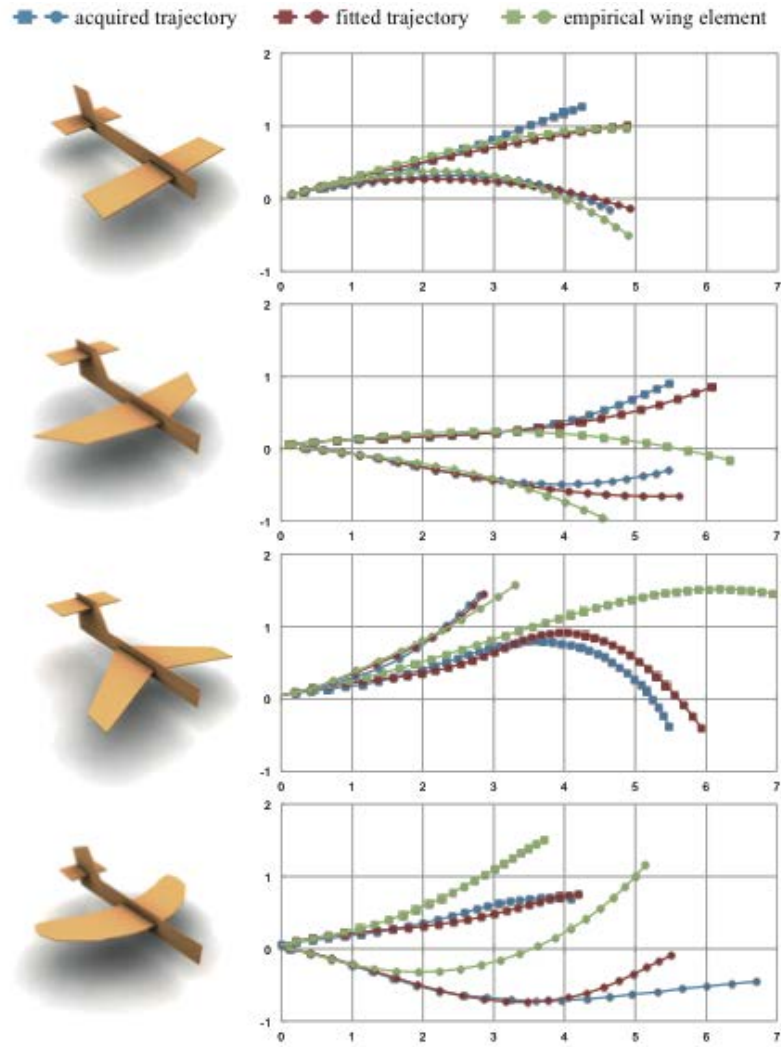
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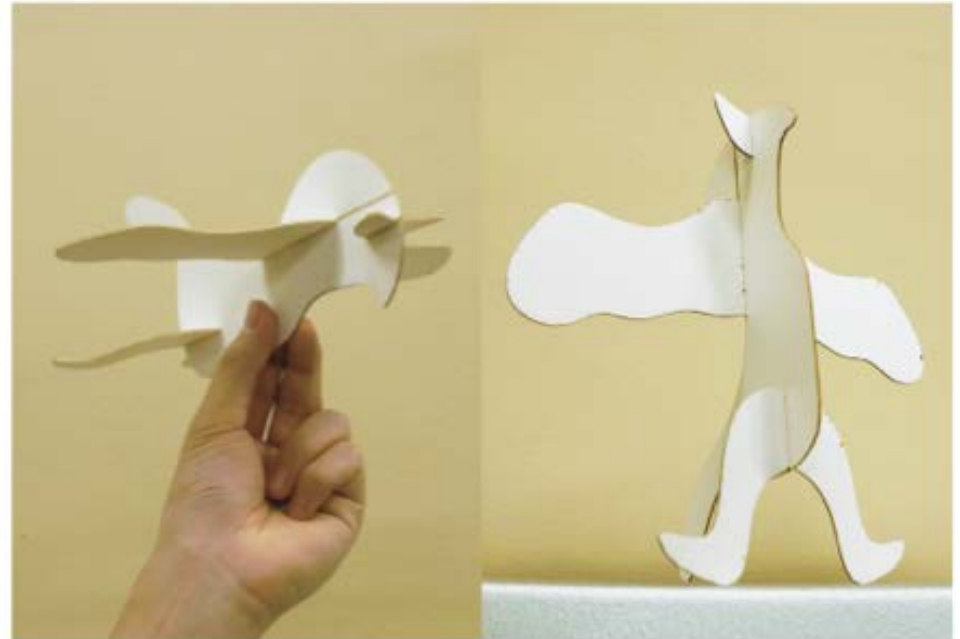
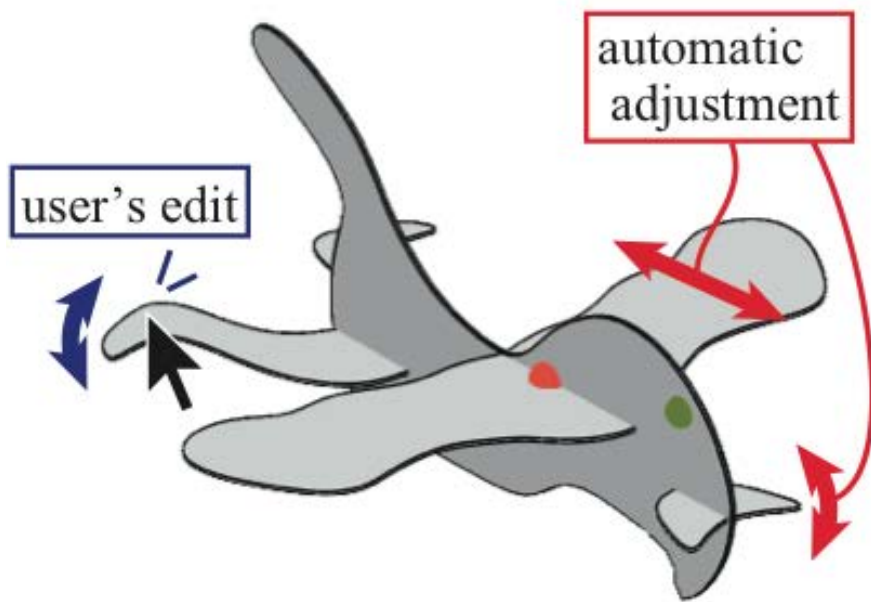
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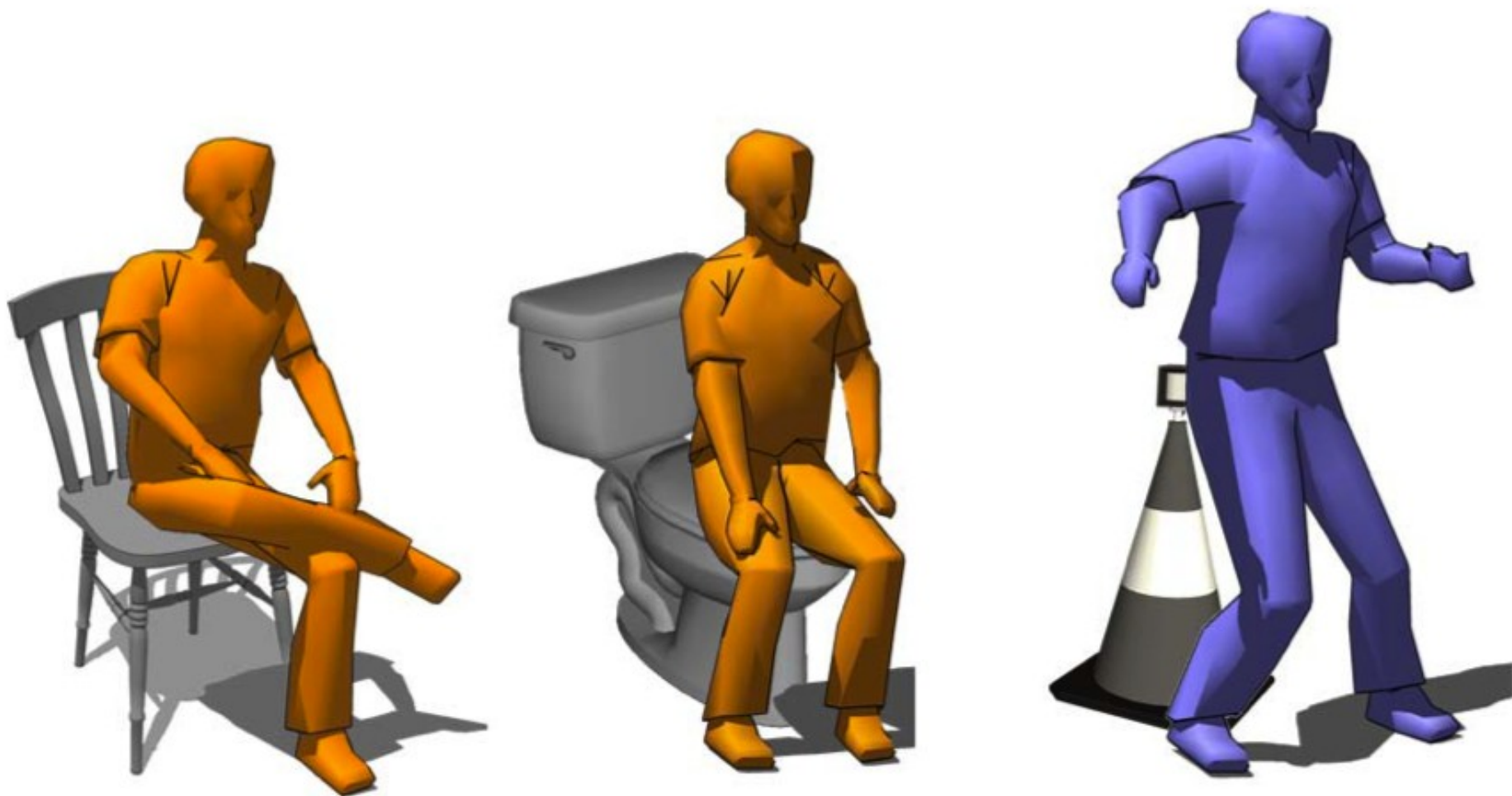
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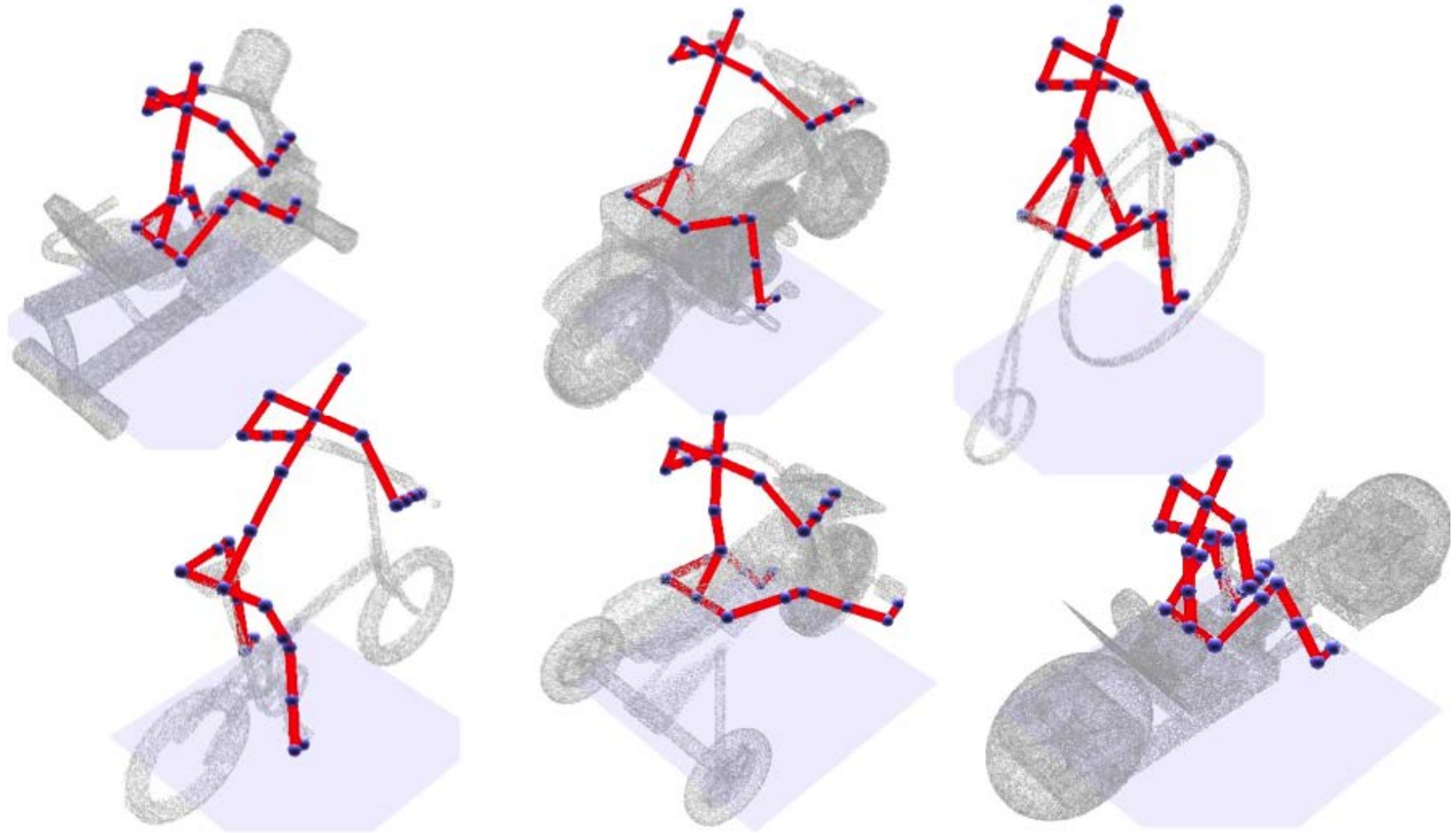
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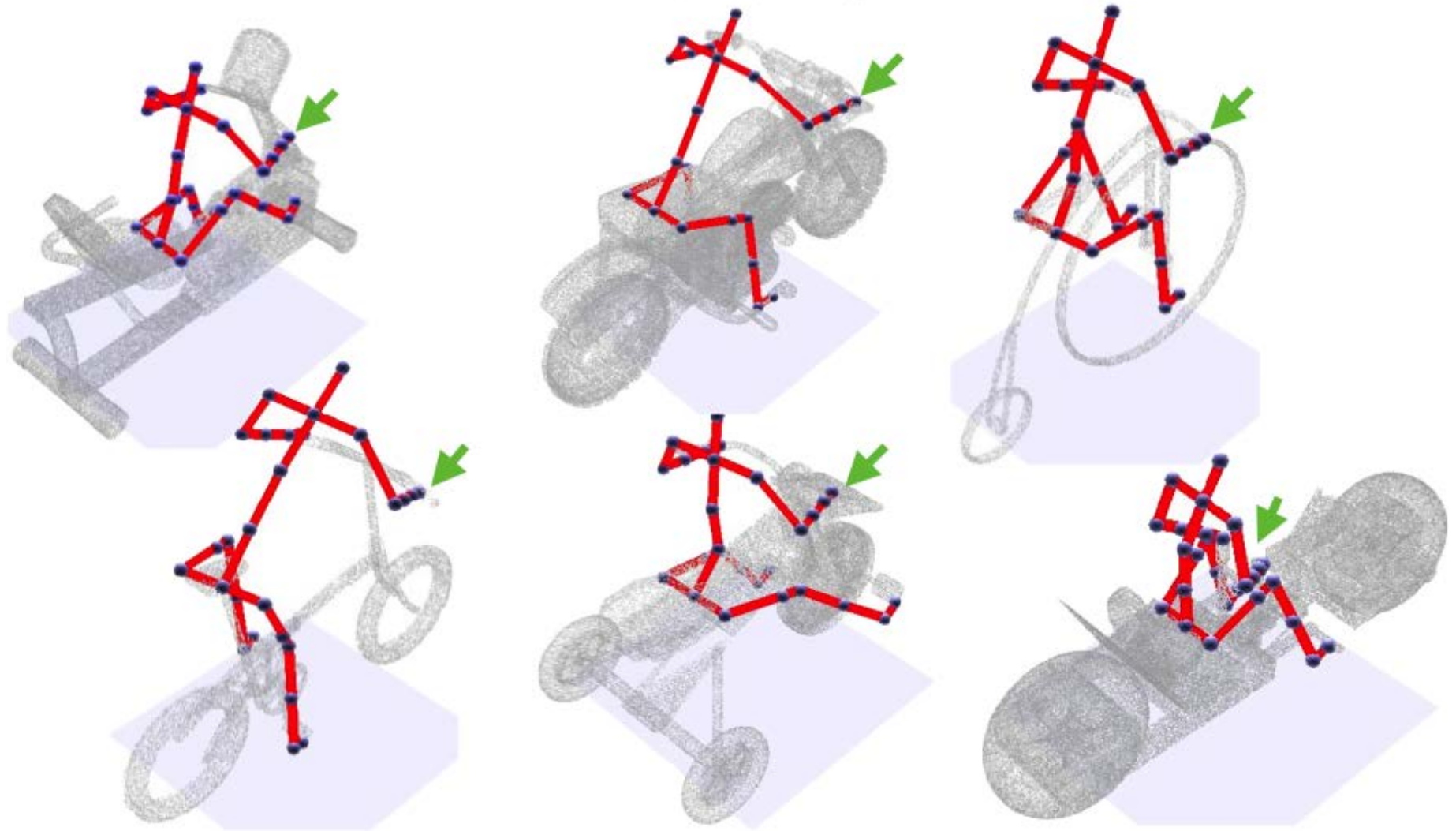
What makes a chair a chair?



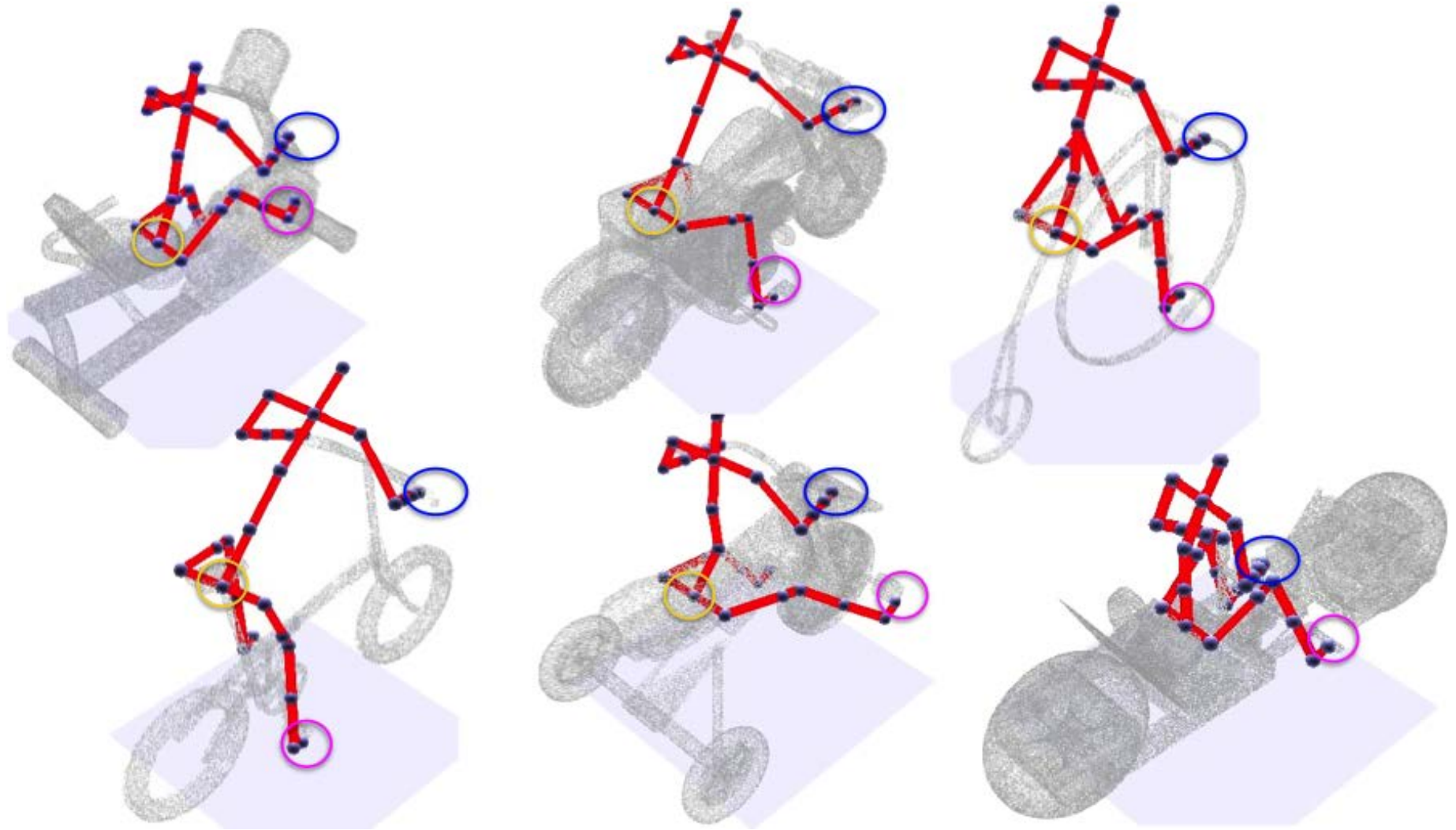
Human-Centric Shape Analysis



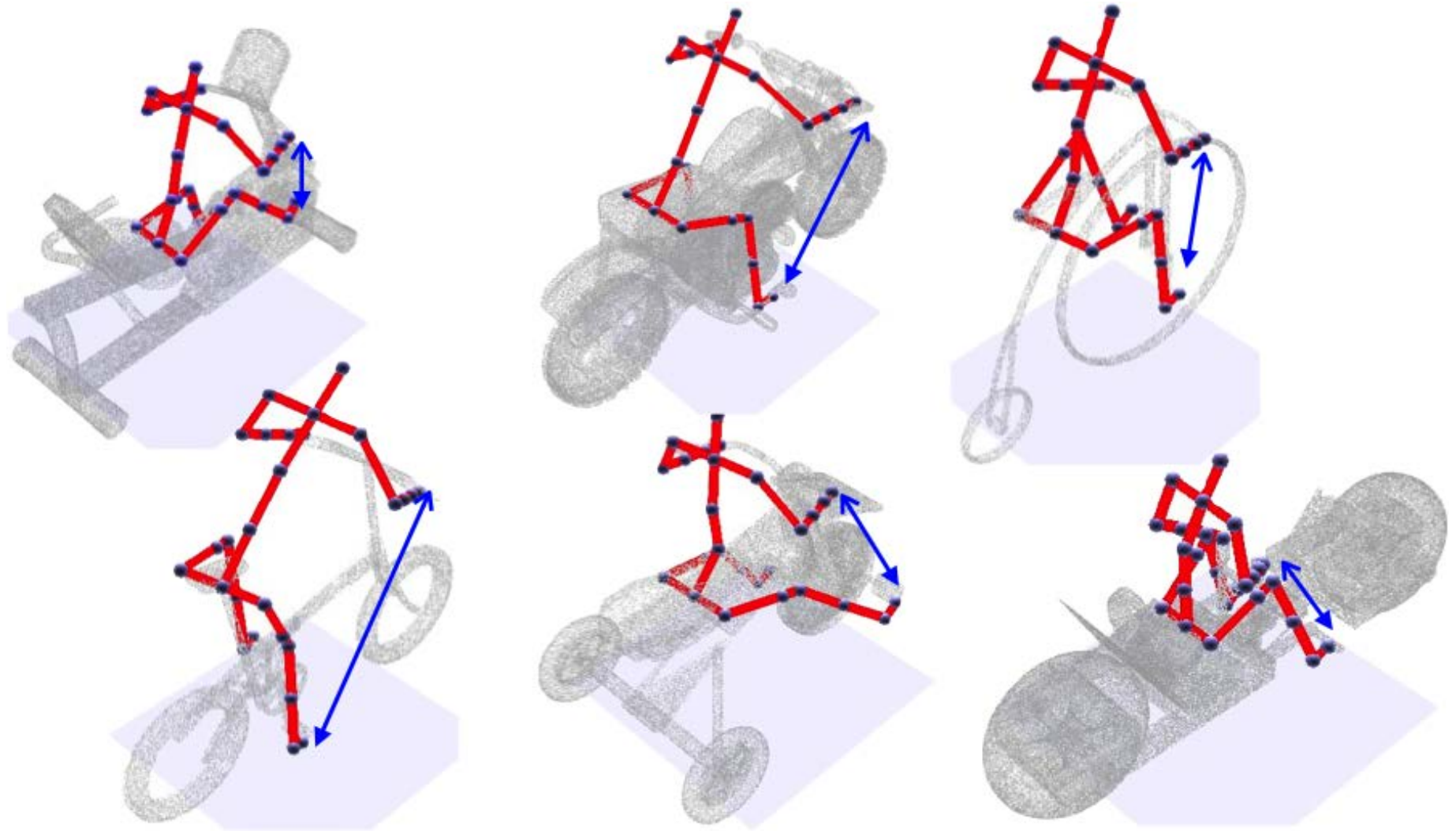
Point-to-Point Correspondences



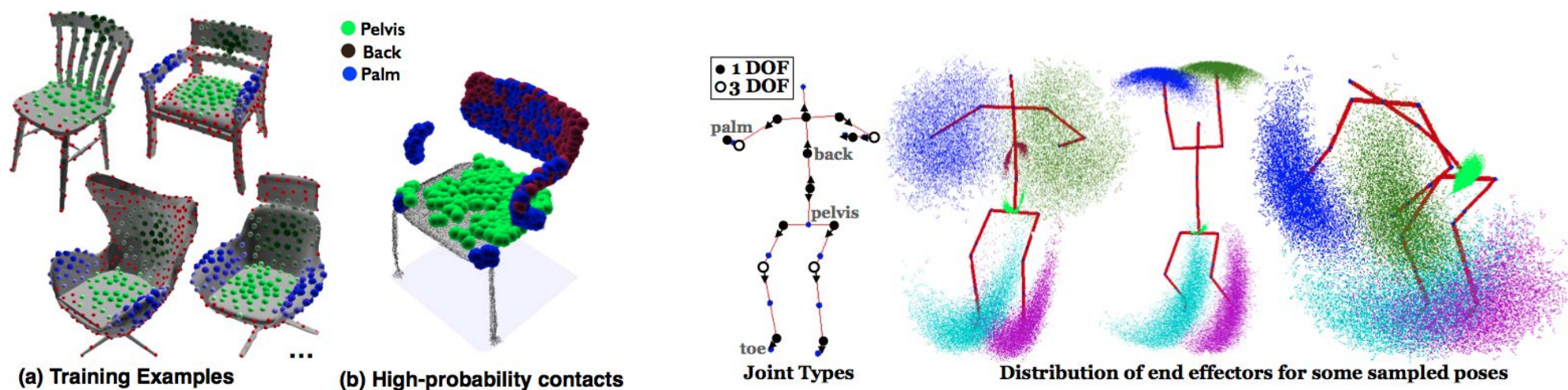
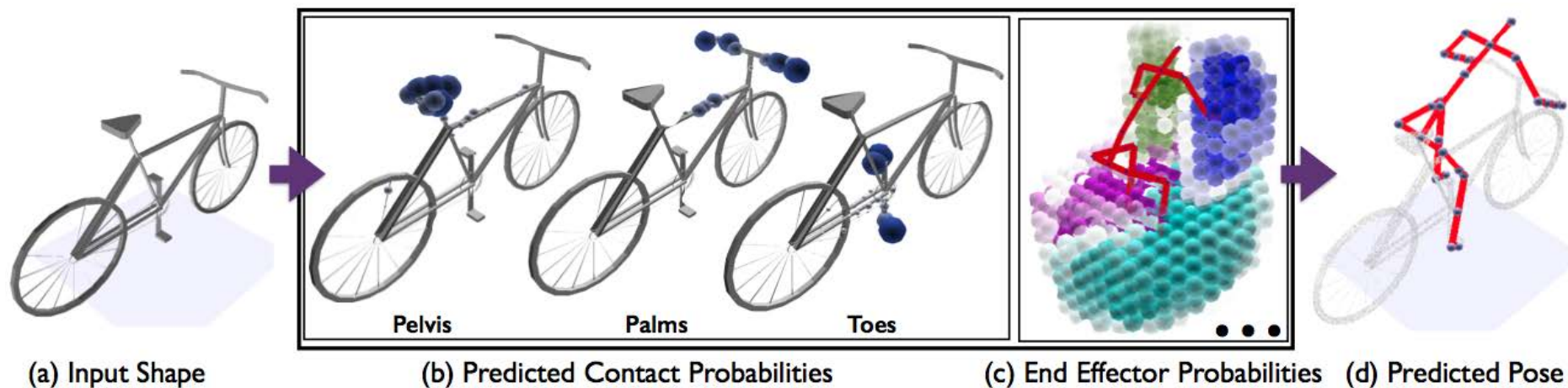
Functional Parts



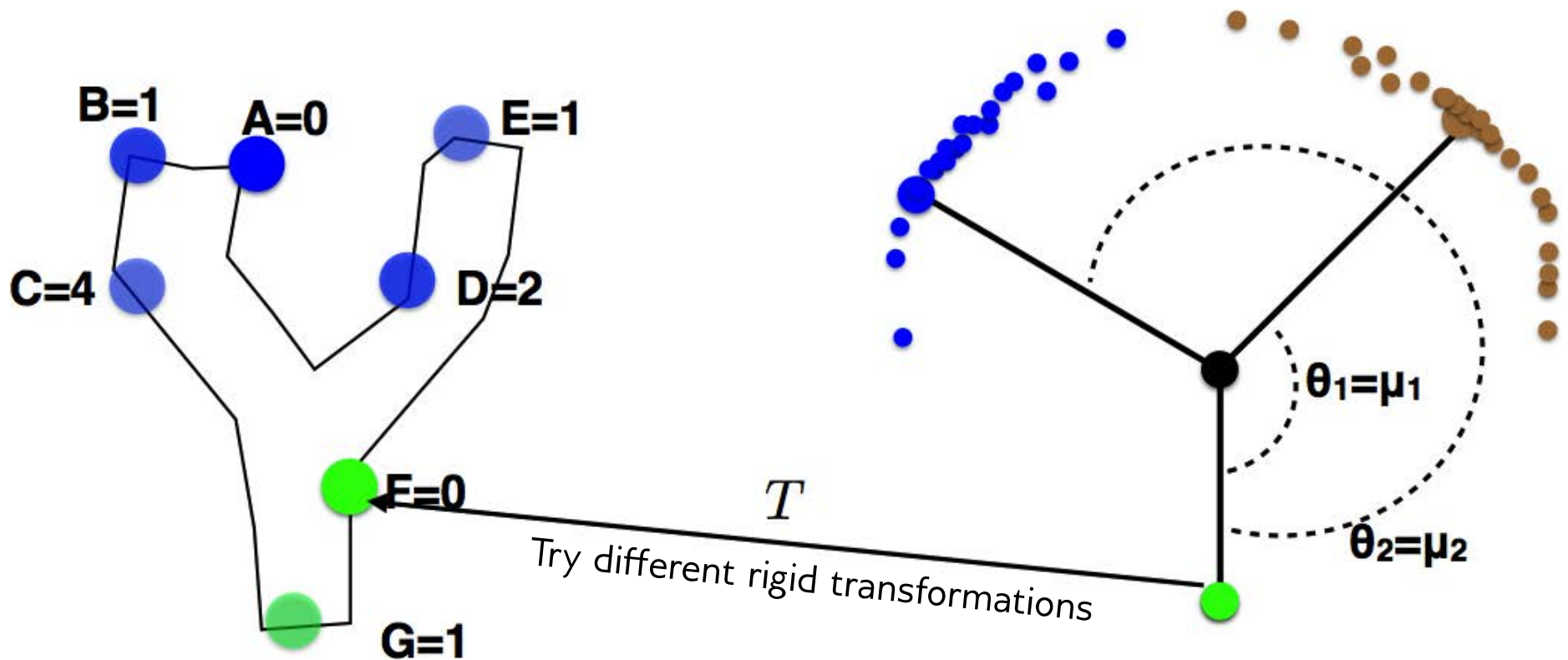
Structural Variations



Pose Prediction Pipeline



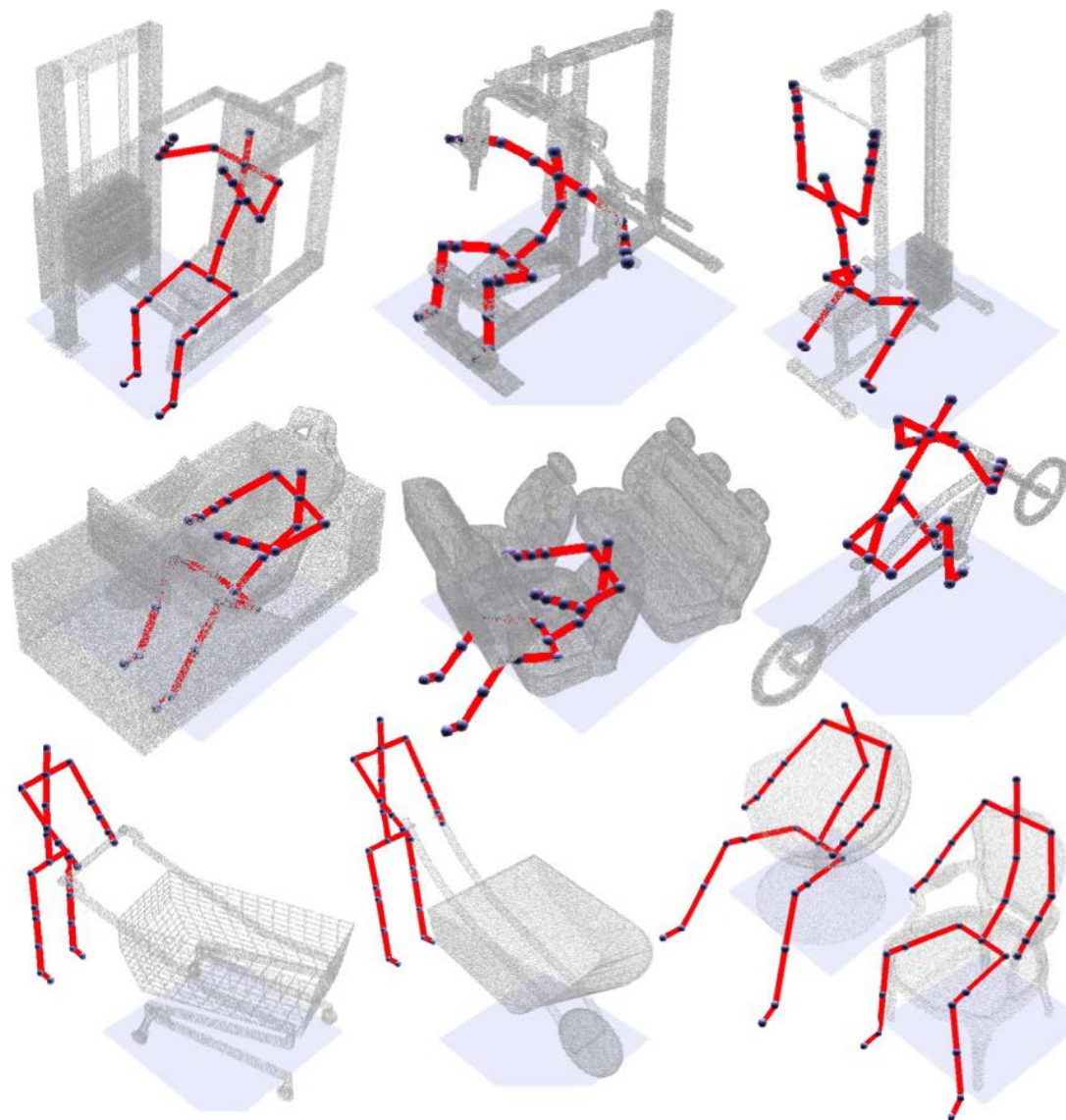
Key to efficient optimization:
Sample pose prior and contact priors independently



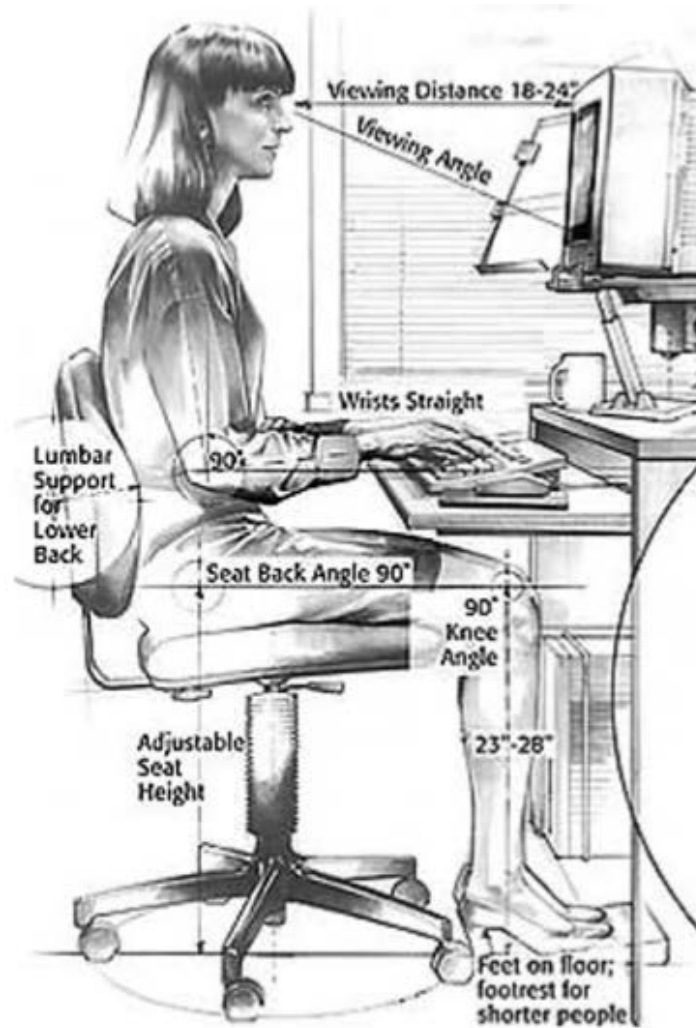
Contact distribution

End-effector distribution

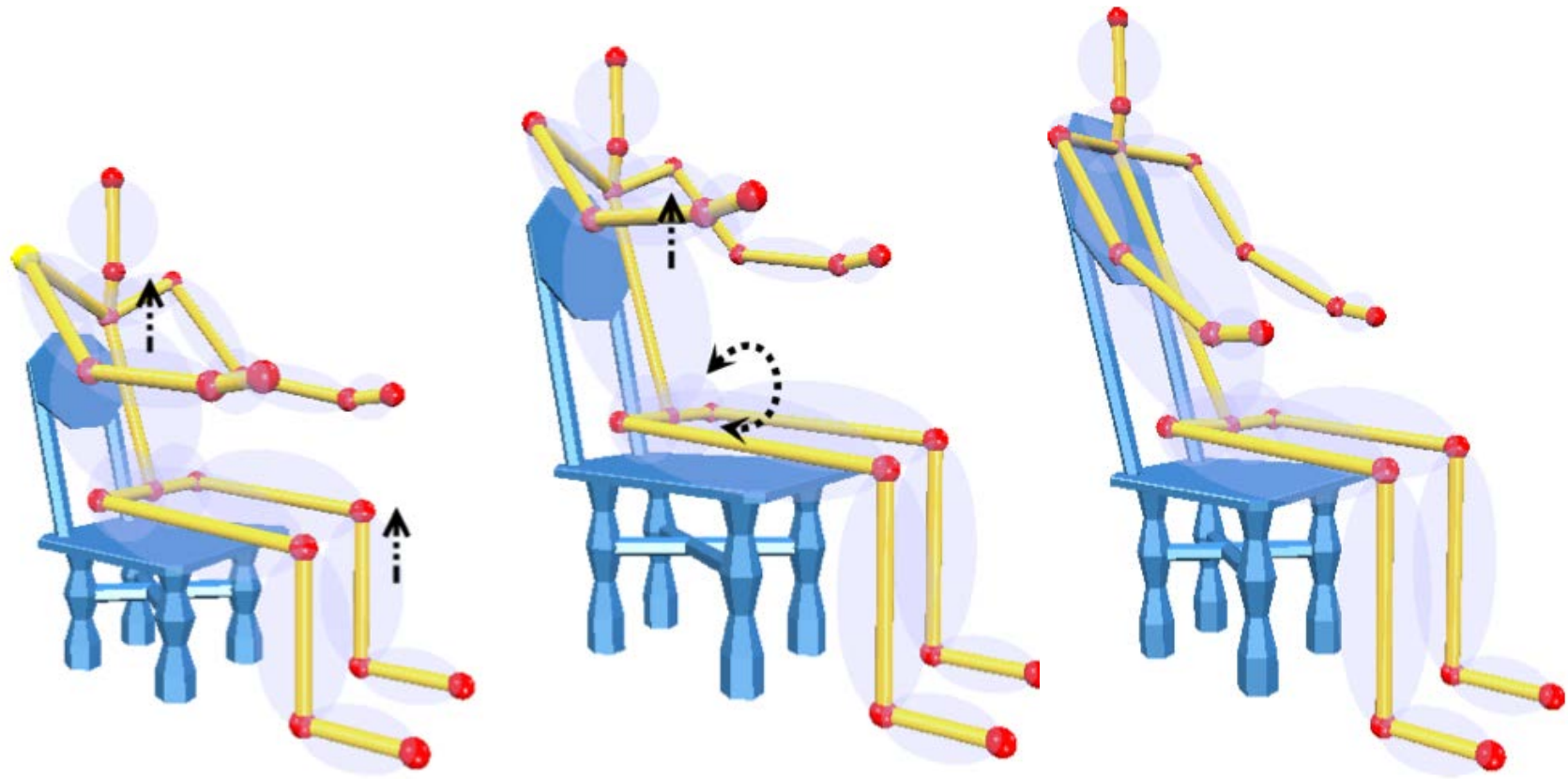
Learning to Predict Human Interaction



Designing for Human Interaction



Shape Adjustment for Body Type



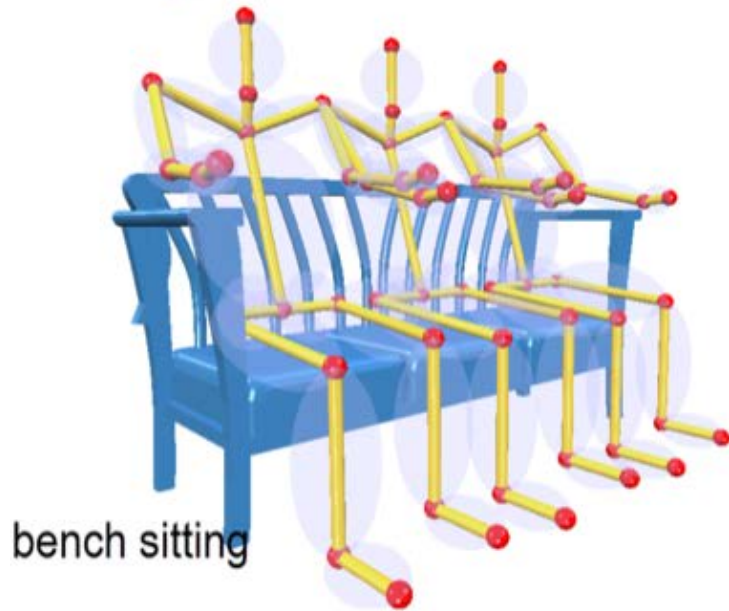
Shape Adjustment for Body Pose



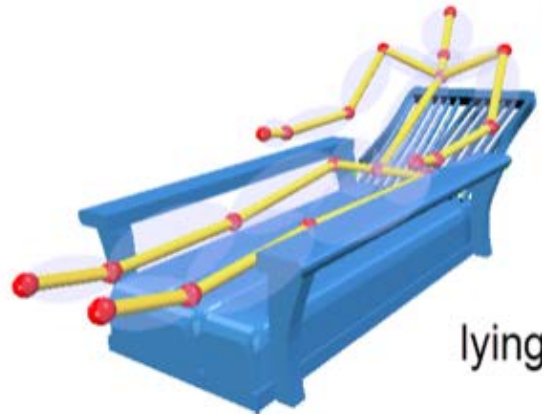
normal sitting



bar sitting



bench sitting



lying

Summary

- “High-level” geometric analysis
- Probabilistic models can characterize the structure of “plausible” objects, and generate new ones
- Design intent can be captured through semantic attributes, mechanical function and human interaction
- Models of structure, attributes, function and interaction can be automatically learned from (big) data