#### Surface Reconstruction from Triangular Meshes Using PPM

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Some examples of  $C^k$  parametric approaches, for arbitrary k:

(Loop and DeRose, 1989), (Seidel, 1994), (Prautzsch, 1997), and (Reif, 1998).

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See (Warren, 2002).

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The idea behind this approach is to build a surface from open parametric patches that overlap smoothly, as opposed to closed patches that stitch together along their common edges and vertices.

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More specifically, we want to build a  $C^k$  2-dimensional manifold in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

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satisfying the following properties, where I and K are countable sets, and I is non-empty:

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(2) For every pair (i, j)×I×I, the set Ω<sub>ij</sub> is an open subset of Ω<sub>i</sub>. Furthermore, Ω<sub>ii</sub> = Ω<sub>i</sub> and Ω<sub>ji</sub> ≠ Ø if and only if Ω<sub>ij</sub> ≠ Ø. Each non-empty Ω<sub>ij</sub> (with i ≠ j) is called gluing domain.



(3) If we let

$$K = \{(i, j) \in I \times I \mid \Omega_{ij} \neq \emptyset\},\$$

then  $\varphi_{ji} : \Omega_{ij} \to \Omega_{ji}$  is a  $C^k$  bijection for every  $(i, j) \in K$ , called a transition function or gluing function.



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So, the question that remains is how we can build a "concrete" manifold.

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such that  $\mathcal{G} = ((\Omega_i)_{i \in I}, (\Omega_{ij})_{(i,j) \in I \times I}, (\varphi_{ji})_{(i,j) \in K}))$  is a set of gluing data, for some finite I, and each  $\theta_i$  is a  $C^k$  function,  $\theta_i : \Omega_i \to \mathbb{R}^m$ , called a **parametrization** such that the following holds:

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For each  $(\sigma, v) \in I$ , we let  $f_{(\sigma,v)} : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$  denote the unique affine function that maps the vertices  $u_0$ ,  $u_1$ , and  $u_2$  of  $\overline{\Omega}_{(\sigma,v)}$ to the vertices  $s_v(v_i)$ ,  $s_v(v_{i+1})$ , and  $r_{i,v}$ , respectively:



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#### **Parametrizations**



For each  $(\sigma, v) \in I$ , we define the parametrization

$$\theta_{(\sigma,v)}:\Omega_{(\sigma,v)}\to\mathbb{R}^3$$
,

such that for each  $p \in \Omega_{(\sigma,v)}$ ,

$$\theta_{(\sigma,v)}(p) = \sum_{(\tau,u)\in J(p)} \omega_{(\sigma,v)(\tau,u)} \cdot \psi_{\tau,u} \circ \varphi_{(\tau,u)(\sigma,v)}(p) ,$$

where

$$\omega_{(\sigma,v)(\tau,u)}(p) = \frac{\gamma_{\tau,u} \circ \psi_{(\tau,u)} \circ \varphi_{(\tau,u)(\sigma,v)}(p)}{\sum_{(\eta,w) \in J(p)} \gamma_{(\eta,w)} \circ \varphi_{(\eta,w)(\sigma,v)}(p)}$$

and

$$J(p) = \{(\eta, w) \in I \mid p \in \Omega_{(\sigma, v)(\eta, w)}\}.$$

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$$\psi_{(\tau,u)}: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^3$$

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$$\gamma_{(\tau,u)}:\mathbb{R}^2\to\mathbb{R}$$

is a "hat" function defined as the product of three  $C^{\infty}$  curves:



We can show that

$$\theta_{(\tau,u)}(p) = \theta_{(\eta,w)}(\varphi_{(\eta,w)(\tau,u)}(p)),$$

for all  $p \in \Omega_{(\tau,u)(\eta,w)}$  and for all  $((\tau,u),(\eta,w)) \in K$ .





















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