Mesh Simplification and - Measures of Error $\qquad$
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Today's Papers
Mesh Simplification:
Hoppe, Hugues, et al. "Mesh optimization." Proceedings of the 20th annual conference on Computer graphics and interactive techniques. ACM, 1993.

Measure of Error:
Aspert, Nicolas, Diego Santa Cruz, and Touradj Ebrahimi. "MESH: measuring errors between surfaces using the Hausdorff distance." ICME (1). 2002.

## Significance

## Mesh Simplification: <br> Error Metrics:

- Faster
- Cleaner
- Segmentation
- Accurate
- Rigorous
- Communicable

Introduction - Hoppe et al.

- Ease of manipulation is related to mesh complexity.
- Provides a method of mesh optimization
- Given a mesh $M_{0}$ represented by data points $X$, find a mesh $M$ that has the same topological type as $\mathrm{M}_{0}$ but has less vertices.
- Use an energy function to optimize the fit.
- Mesh optimization can be used for simplification, reconstruction, and segmentation.


## Necessary Background - Hoppe et al.

## Mesh Representation:

A mesh can be represented as simplicial complexes and vertices or $\mathrm{M}=(\mathrm{K}, \mathrm{V})$

- Simplicial complex: Space of unions between points, lines, and faces
- Points: $\{i\} \in K$
- Lines: $\quad\{i, j\} \in K$
- Faces: $\{i, j, k\} \in K$


## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:

$$
E(K, V)=E_{\text {dist }}(K, V)+E_{\text {rep }}(K)+E_{\text {spring }}(K, V)
$$

Minimize

## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:


## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:

$$
\begin{aligned}
E(K, V)= & E_{\text {dist }}(K, V) \\
& \sum_{i=1}^{n} d^{2}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \phi_{V}(|K|)\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:
$c_{\text {rep }} m$
minimize number of vertices,
edges, and faces
$E(K, V)=E_{\text {dist }}(K, V)+E_{\text {rep }}(K)$

## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:

$$
\begin{array}{r}
E(K, V)=E_{\text {dist }}(K, V)+E_{\text {rep }}(K) \\
\text { Is this enough? }
\end{array}
$$

## Method - Hoppe et al.

Energy function:


No!
(lack of minimum)

Method - Hoppe et al.
Energy function:

$$
\sum_{(j, k \in \in K}{ }_{k}{ }_{\|} \mathbf{v}_{j}-v_{k} \|^{2}
$$



Solution

## Method - Hoppe et al.

## Legal moves:



## Method - Hoppe et al.

Legal moves:

edge collapse

## Method - Hoppe et al.

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## Method - Hoppe et al.

## Localization:

- Algorithm over the whole mesh is inefficient
- However, changes in local area don't affect distant vertices



## Results - Hoppe et al.



| Fig. | \#vert. <br> m | \#faces | \#data <br> $n$ | Parameters |  | Resulting energies |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { time } \\ (\mathrm{min} .) \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | $c_{r e p}$ | $\kappa$ | $E_{\text {dist }}$ | $E$ |  |
| 7c | 1572 | 3152 | 4102 |  |  | $8.57 \times 10^{-2}$ |  |  |
| 7 e | 1572 | 3152 | 4102 | $10^{-}$ | $10^{-2}$ | $8.04 \times 10^{-4}$ | $4.84 \times 10^{-2}$ | 5 |
| 7 f | 508 | 1024 | 4102 | $10^{-5}$ | $10^{-2}$ | $6.84 \times 10^{-4}$ | $3.62 \times 10^{-2}$ | +3.0) |
| 7 g | 270 | 48 | 4102 | $10^{-5}$ | $10^{-3}$ | $6.08 \times 10^{-4}$ | $6.94 \times 10^{-3}$ | +2.2) |
| 7 h | 163 | 334 | 4102 | $10^{-}$ | varied | $4.86 \times 10^{-4}$ | $2.12 \times 10^{-3}$ | 17.0 |
| 7 k | 9220 | 18272 | 12 |  |  | 6. |  |  |
| 71 | 690 | 1348 | 12745 | $10^{-5}$ | varied | $4.23 \times 10^{-3}$ | $1.18 \times 10^{-2}$ | 7.0 |
| 7 o | 40 | 80 |  |  |  | $2.20 \times 10^{-2}$ |  |  |
| 7 p | 262 | 515 | 16864 | 10 | varied | $2.19 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4.95 \times 10$ | 4.5 |
| 7 q | 2032 | 383 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 s | 487 | 916 | 6752 | $10^{-5}$ | varied | $1.86 \times 10^{-3}$ | $8.05 \times 10^{-3}$ | 9.9 |
| 7 t | 239 | 432 | 6752 | $10^{-4}$ | varied | $9.19 \times 10^{-3}$ | $4.39 \times 10^{-2}$ | 10.2 |



- Error between meshes are important for gauging accuracy
- Common methods are mean square error and total square error
- However, a variation on the Hausdorff distance may provide a more accurate measure of error
- In addition, the paper outlines an efficient method for finding distance


## Necessary Background - Aspert et al.

- Hausdorff distance
- Euclidean norm

$$
d\left(p, \mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right)=\min _{p^{\prime} \in \mathcal{S}^{\prime}}\left\|p-p^{\prime}\right\|_{2}
$$

- Max distance

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Not symmetrical!

$$
d\left(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{S}^{\prime}\right) \neq d\left(\mathcal{S}^{\prime}, \mathcal{S}\right)
$$

## Method - Aspert et al.

Forward and backward distance:

- Takes the max of the two distances

$$
\left[d\left(S, S^{\prime}\right), d\left(S^{\prime}, S\right)\right]
$$



## Method - Aspert et al.

## Grid sampling:

- Allows for discrete representation of surface integral
- Greatly reduces computation time



## Results - Aspert et al.



Difference in metrics of error


Time less than analogous standard

## Assessment - Aspert et al.

## Pros

- Takes more topologies into consideration
- More robust to unusual corners and curves
- Gives "upper bound" on error estimate


## Cons

- More complicated
- Application dependent
- Grid pattern cannot exhaust surface

Conclusion

Hoppe et al.

- The Hoppe et al. method may provide a way to simplify our mesh
- Could also provide a revised segmentation method

Aspert et al.

- The Aspert et al. method provides a useful method gauging accuracy.
- May provide a faster, more accurate way of finding distance.
- Especially important considering we are trying to minimize all gaps.


## Questions?

