

Lecture VII

Shape analysis and higher regularity of bivariate subdivision schemes

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Setup

- A subdivision surface \mathbf{x} is the union of *spline rings*,

$$\mathbf{x} = \bigcup_{m \in \mathbb{N}_0} \mathbf{x}^m.$$

- Each spline ring is a linear combination of *generating functions* and *control points*,

$$\mathbf{x}^m = \sum_i g_i \mathbf{p}_i^m = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{P}^m.$$

- The sequence of control points is obtained by repeated application of the *subdivision matrix*,

$$\mathbf{P}^m = \mathbf{A}^m \mathbf{P}^0.$$



- *Eigenvalues*

$$|\lambda_0| \geq |\lambda_1| \geq \dots \geq |\lambda_L|,$$

- Left and right *eigenvectors*

$$A v_\ell = \lambda_\ell v_\ell, \quad w_\ell A = \lambda_\ell w_\ell,$$

- *Eigenfunctions* and *eigencoefficients*

$$f_\ell = G v_\ell, \quad \mathbf{q}_\ell = w_\ell \mathbf{P}.$$

- *Eigen-expansion*

$$\mathbf{x}^m = \sum_{\ell} \lambda^m f_\ell \mathbf{q}_\ell$$



Generic assumptions

- The *sub-dominant eigenvalue* is double

$$\lambda := \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 > |\lambda_3|$$

- The *characteristic map* is regular and injective,

$$\Psi := [f_1, f_2] = G[v_1, v_2], \quad \det D\Psi \neq 0.$$

- The *subsub-dominant eigenvalue* is denoted by μ ,

$$1 > \underbrace{\lambda_1 = \lambda_2}_{\lambda} > \underbrace{\lambda_3 = \dots = \lambda_N}_{\mu} > |\lambda_{N+1}|.$$

- Curvature near central point determined by third order expansion

$$\mathbf{x}^m \doteq \mathbf{q}_0 + \Psi[\mathbf{q}_1; \mathbf{q}_2] + \mu^m \sum_{\ell=3}^N f_{\ell} \mathbf{q}_{\ell}.$$



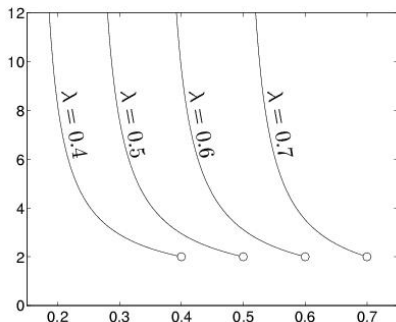
Curvature and the subsub-dominant eigenvalue

The principal curvatures

- converge to 0, if $\mu < \lambda^2$,
- are bounded, if $\mu = \lambda^2$,
- diverge, if $\mu > \lambda^2$.
- are in L^p for

$$p < \frac{2 \ln \lambda}{2 \ln \lambda - \ln \mu}.$$

C^1 always implies $H^{2,2}$.



C^2 -conditions

- A subdivision schemes generates C^2 -surfaces if and only if

$$\mu = \lambda^2$$

and if the subsub-dominant eigenfunctions satisfy

$$f_3, \dots, f_N \in \text{span}\{f_1^2, f_1 f_2, f_2^2\}.$$

- **Degree estimate:** If, on the regular part of the grid, the scheme generates polynomial patches of degree d joining C^k , then non-trivial curvature continuity is possible only if

$$d \geq 2k + 2.$$

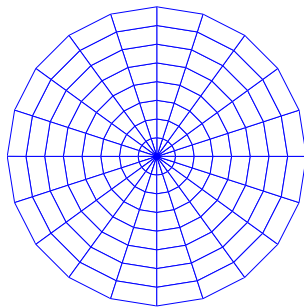
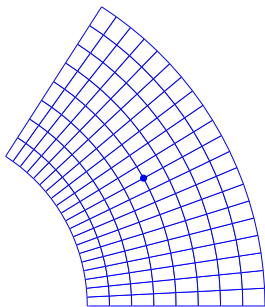
This rules out schemes generalizing uniform B-spline subdivision and box splines. The lowest order candidate is of bi-degree 6 with 4-fold



Shape analysis

To achieve curvature continuity, convergence of the

- principal curvatures is not sufficient.
- principal directions is not necessary.
- Weingarten map is necessary and sufficient, but ...



The Weingarten map revisited

- The Weingarten map W is a linear map in the tangent space $T\mathbf{x}$, defined by

$$\nabla \mathbf{n} = -W \nabla \mathbf{x}.$$

- Its eigenvalues and eigenvectors are the principal curvatures and directions, respectively.
- With respect to basis $\mathbf{x}_u, \mathbf{x}_v$ of $T\mathbf{x}$,

$$D\mathbf{n} = -W D\mathbf{x} \Rightarrow -D\mathbf{n} D\mathbf{x}^t = W D\mathbf{x} D\mathbf{x}^t \Rightarrow W = H G^{-1},$$

where

$$D := \begin{bmatrix} \partial_u \\ \partial_v \end{bmatrix}, \quad G := D\mathbf{x} D\mathbf{x}^t, \quad H := -D\mathbf{n} D\mathbf{x}^t.$$

Problem: For spline surfaces, $D\mathbf{x}$ and hence W is *discontinuous*.



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- With

$$D\mathbf{x}^+ = D\mathbf{x}^t G^{-1}$$

denoting the pseudo-inverse of $D\mathbf{x}$,

$$E = -D\mathbf{x}^+ D\mathbf{n} = D\mathbf{x}^+ H (D\mathbf{x}^+)^t$$

is a symmetric map acting on \mathbb{R}^3 . By duality,

$$E|_{T\mathbf{x}} = W \quad \text{and} \quad E\mathbf{n}^t = 0.$$

- We call E the *embedded Weingarten map* of \mathbf{x} .



The Weingarten map revisited

Properties:

- E is a second order geometric invariant.
- The principal directions are eigenvectors with respect to the principal curvatures.
- E refers to coordinates of the embedding space.
- Continuity of E is *necessary and sufficient* for \mathbf{x} to be a C^2 -manifold, i.e., in the subdivision setup, the limit

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- The integrability conditions are simple,

$$\mathbf{n}_u E_v^+ = \mathbf{n}_v E_u^+ \quad \Rightarrow \quad D\mathbf{x} = D\mathbf{n} E^+.$$



The central surface

- For simplicity, let

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \end{bmatrix} = L \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- The third order asymptotic expansion of the rings is

$$\mathbf{x}^m \doteq \mathbf{q}_0 + [\lambda^m \Psi L, \mu^m \varphi], \quad \varphi := \sum_{i=3}^N f_i \langle \mathbf{q}_i, \mathbf{n}^c \rangle.$$

- *Definition:* The *central surface* is a spatial ring defined by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} := (\Psi L, \varphi).$$



Asymptotic expansions

- With $J := D\Psi L$, the *first fundamental* form of \mathbf{x}^m is

$$G^m \doteq \lambda^{2m} G, \quad G := J J^T.$$

- With \tilde{G} and \tilde{H} the fundamental forms of the central surface $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$, the *second fundamental form* of \mathbf{x}^m is

$$H^m \doteq \mu^m H, \quad H := \sqrt{\frac{\det \tilde{G}}{\det G}} \tilde{H}, \quad .$$

- The *embedded Weingarten map* of \mathbf{x}^m is

$$E^m \doteq \varrho^m \begin{bmatrix} E & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E := L^t J^{-t} H J^{-1} L, \quad \varrho := \frac{\mu}{\lambda^2}.$$



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- The Gaussian curvature of \mathbf{x}^m is

$$\kappa_G^m \doteq \varrho^{2m} \det E.$$

- The mean curvature of \mathbf{x}^m is

$$\kappa_M^m \doteq \varrho^m \operatorname{trace} E.$$

- The principal directions of \mathbf{x}^m are

$$\mathbf{R}^m \doteq [\mathbf{R}, 0], \quad \mathbf{R} E = K \mathbf{R}.$$



Consequences

- The deviation of E from a constant is a reliable indicator for the quality of a subdivision algorithm.
- An algorithm cannot generate *elliptic shape* unless

$$0 \in \mathcal{F}(\mu).$$

- An algorithm cannot generate *hyperbolic shape* unless

$$1, n - 1 \in \mathcal{F}(\mu).$$

- Optimal spectrum

simple 1,

double $\lambda \approx 1/2$,

triple $\mu = \lambda^2$,

$$\mathcal{F}(1) = \{0\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\lambda) = \{1, n - 1\}$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\mu) = \{0, 1, n - 1\}$$



- TURBS (R.' 95)
- Freeform splines (Prautzsch '96)
- Guided subdivision (Peters, Karciauskas '06)



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

- Denote by $C_d^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ the space of all C^2 -rings in \mathbb{R}^n composed of patches of coordinate degree d .
- A ring $\Psi \in C_3^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ is called a *concentric tessellation map* with scale factor $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, if it is injective and regular, i.e., $\det D\Psi \neq 0$, and if Ψ and $\lambda\Psi$ join C^2 when regarded as consecutive rings.
- The image of Ψ and its *extension* are denoted

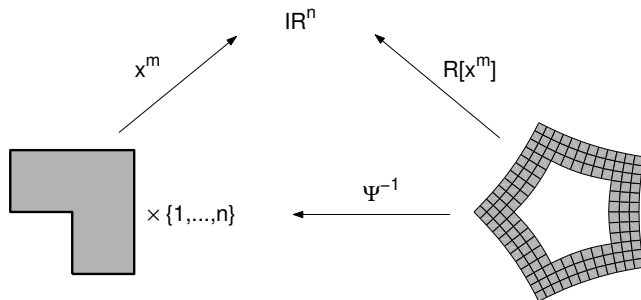
$$\Omega := \Psi(\Sigma), \quad \Omega_e := \Omega \cup \lambda\Omega.$$



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

The *reparametrization operator* R is mapping rings $\mathbf{x}^m \in C_6^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ to functions on $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ by

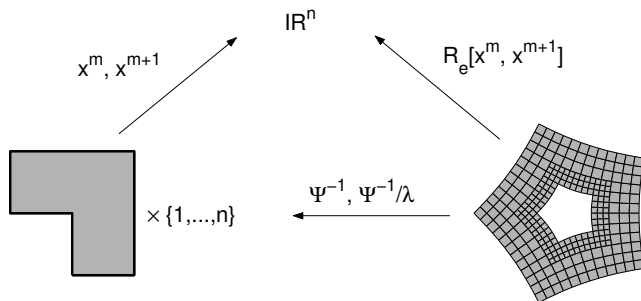
$$R[\mathbf{x}^m] : \Omega \ni \xi \mapsto \mathbf{x}^m(\Psi^{-1}(\xi)).$$



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

The *extended reparametrization operator* R_e maps a pair $\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{x}^{m+1} \in C_6^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ of consecutive rings to a single function acting on Ω_e according to

$$R_e[\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{x}^{m+1}] : \Omega_e \ni \xi \mapsto \begin{cases} R[\mathbf{x}^m](\xi) & \text{if } \xi \in \Omega \\ R[\mathbf{x}^{m+1}](\xi/\lambda) & \text{if } \xi \in \lambda\Omega \end{cases}.$$



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

- The subdivision matrix A has *quadratic precision*, if for consecutive rings $\mathbf{x}^m = B_6 \mathbf{Q}^m$, $\mathbf{x}^{m+1} = B_6 A \mathbf{Q}^m$,

$$R[\mathbf{x}^m] \in \mathbb{P}_2(\Omega) \quad \text{implies} \quad R_e[\mathbf{x}^m, \mathbf{x}^{m+1}] \in \mathbb{P}_2(\Omega_e).$$

- If Ψ has scale factor λ and A has quadratic precision, then there exist eigenvalues λ_i , eigenvectors v_i and eigenfunctions $f_i = B_6 v_i$ satisfying

$$\lambda_0 = 1, \quad \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \lambda, \quad \lambda_3 = \lambda_4 = \lambda_5 = \lambda^2$$

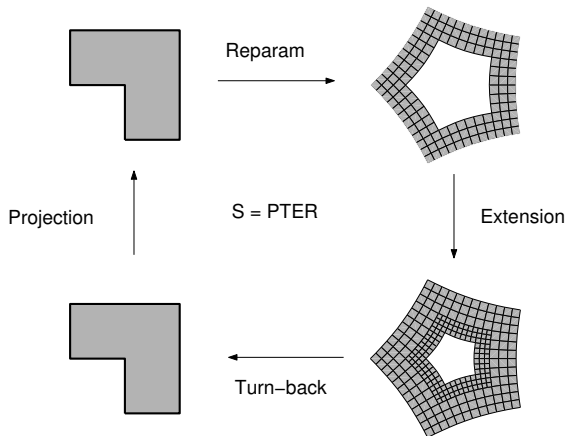
$$f_0 = 1, \quad [f_1, f_2] = \Psi, \quad f_3 = f_1^2, \quad f_4 = f_1 f_2, \quad f_5 = f_2^2.$$

- Consequence:* Let A be a subdivision matrix with quadratic precision and eigenvalues $\lambda_0, \lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_{\bar{\ell}}$, where $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_5$ are given above. If Ψ has scale factor λ and $|\lambda_i| < \lambda^2$ for all $i > 5$, then A defines a C^2 -subdivision algorithm.



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

Compute $\mathbf{x}^{m+1} = S(\mathbf{x}^m)$ in four steps:



General framework for C^2 -subdivision

- **Extension:** Choose a linear *extension operator* E mapping the function $\mathbf{r} = R[\mathbf{x}^m]$ defined on Ω to the function $\mathbf{r}_e = E[\mathbf{r}]$ defined on Ω_e such that

$$\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{P}_2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{r}_e \in \mathbb{P}_2.$$

- The subdivision matrix A corresponding to the scheme $S = PTER$ is given by

$$GA = PTER[G].$$

The algorithm is C^2 , if

$$\lambda_i < \lambda^2, \quad i > 6.$$

A can be precomputed once and for all.



Summary

- Linear, univariate subdivision well understood.
- Linear, multivariate subdivision well understood in the regular setting.
- C^1 -schemes for arbitrary topology available.
- C^2 -schemes for arbitrary topology available, but not well established.
- Nonlinear schemes not well understood.
- Schemes for perfect shape sought.







