Shape Deformation via Interior RBF

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Motivation

- Animation tool for creating natural poses
- Space deformation vs. direct deformation
 - Subspace mapping: Can embed any type of object
 - Performance



Control Structures

• Lattice [Sederberg and Parry 1986]



Cage-based Methods

• Mean Value Coordinates [Ju et al. 2005]



Harmonic Coordinates [Joshi et al. 2007]
 Interior locality property







Source

MVC

HC

Green Coordinates [Lipman et al. 2008]
 – Quasi-conformal mapping



- VHM [Ben-Chen et al. 2009]
 - Convenient handles to control the deformation
 - Minimizes As-Rigid-As-Possible energy
 - The cage is still a problem: A well-constructed cage usually involves a considerable amount of manual work.



IRBF Properties

- Real-time
- Convenient handles to control the deformation
- Minimizes As-Rigid-As-Possible energy
- No cage
- Interior locality property



- Simpler formulation
- Can handle touching surface



Method Overview

- 1. IRBF centers are sampled from the surface of the shape.
- 2. The shape is automatically filled with spheres.
- 3. Interior distances are calculated from the IRBF centers to:
 - The local rigidity structures that represent the spheres
 - The deformed points
 - The anchor points
- 4. Using *local/global* optimization the coefficients of the IRBF are calculated, and the shape is deformed.





RBF

- Scattered data approximation to functions on \mathbb{R}^d [Franke 1982].
- An approximation at *p*:

$$F(p) = \sum_{c \in C} a_c \Phi(\parallel p - c \parallel), \quad a_c \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $C \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is a set of centers and Φ is a real function.



IRBF

• Using interior distances d_I :

$$T_{\Pi}(p) = Ap + t + \sum_{c \in C} a_c \phi(p, c), \quad a_c \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

Reproduce affine mapping

• where
$$\phi(p,c) = \frac{1}{D_I(p)} \Phi(d_I(p,c))$$

 $D_I(p) = \sum_{c \in C} \Phi(d_I(p,c))$

Normalization for reproducing the constant function

$$D_I(p) = \sum_{c \in C} \Phi(d_I(p,c))$$

$$\Phi(r) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{r^2 + h^2}}$$

Inverse multiquadric – regular everywhere

The Discrete Energy

• Energy: Distortion Regularization $E(\Pi) = \overline{U}(\Pi) + \lambda V(\mathbf{a})$

Subject to positional constraints

Regularization term:

$$V(\mathbf{a}) = \sum_{c \in C} \|a_c\|^2$$

As-Rigid-As-Possible [Sorkine and Alexa 2007;
 Chao et al. 2010] distortion measure for a set of spheres B:

$$\overline{U}(\Pi) = \sum_{b \in B} \overline{\rho}(b)$$

$$\overline{\rho}(b) = \sum_{i=1}^{3} w_{i,b} \| M_{b} e_{i,b} - e'_{i,b} \|^{2}, M_{b} \in SO(3)$$

$$\bigcup$$
Source edges Target edges



Local Shape and Volume Control

• Using prescribed transformation S(b):

$$\overline{\rho}(b) = \sum_{i} ||M_{b}S(e_{i,b}) - e'_{i,b}||^{2}$$



Interior Distances

- Euclidean distances
- Fast Marching Method (FMM)
- Mean Value Coordinates (MVC)
- Geodesics in Heat [Crane et al. 2013]



Crane et al. 2013

Setting The Controlling Spheres



- Curve skeleton
 - Skeleton: [Au et al. 2008; Dey and Sun 2006] for meshes, and [Cao et al. 2010] for point clouds.
 - At sampled points along the skeleton, we place spheres with a radius of 90% of the distance from the sampled point to the surface.







Au et al. 2008

Dey and Sun 2006

Cao et al. 2010

• Sphere tree

Approximating a shape using spheres [Bradshaw and O'Sullivan 2004]



Bradshaw and O'Sullivan 2004

 Post processing: The spheres are pruned according to a threshold of maximum overlap, and minimal size.

Choosing The IRBF Centers

- Random sampling
- Farthest point sampling
- Sampling can be adaptive according to user hints (much easier than adapting a cage).



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Results



Survey models [Botsch and Sorkine 2008]





VHM

IRBF





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