## Green Coordinates

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## What are Barycentric Coordinates

- Idea: Spatial coordinates of a point are represented as linear combination of the vertices of an ambient cage.
- $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ point, $v_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ vertices of a cage $P$; find $\varphi_{i}(x)$ so that:

$$
x=\sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{V}}} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}
$$

- Motivation:

1. Interpolate function values given on the boundary:

$$
f(x):=\sum_{i} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot f\left(v_{i}\right)
$$

2. Move the cage vertices and see how the internal points move along:

$$
F\left(\cdot, P^{\prime}\right): x \mapsto x^{\prime}:=\sum_{i} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}^{\prime}
$$

We look only at (2.) here; special case of (1.), with $f$ being the transformation applied to $P$.

## Problems with Existing Methods

- Linear combinations of cage vertices must lead to affine-invariant transformations, not shape-preserving.
- Shape-preserving
- Close to rotations with isotropic scale
- Infinitesimal circles are mapped to infinitesimal ellipsoids with bounded axis ratio (quasi-conformal)
- Affine-invariant
- Affine transformation applied to cage results in same transformation applied to geometry $\Rightarrow$ problems with shearing and anisotropic scale
- Especially: Changes in only one direction do not affect the other directions


## Problems with Existing Methods



Original, affine-invariant transformation

## Solution: Green Coordinates

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## Facts about Green Coordinates

- Paper from Y. Lipman, D. Levin, D. Cohen-Or, presented on SIGGRAPH 2008
- Can be used with piecewise smooth boundaries in any dimension
- Cages must not be necessarily simply connected
- Yields conformal transformations in 2D, quasi-conformal transformations in higher dimensions


## Idea of Green Coordinates

- Take not only vertices of cage, but also face orientation (= normals) into account.
- $P$ a cage, $v_{i} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ vertices $\left(i \in \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{V}}\right), t_{j}$ faces with normals $n_{j} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}$ $\left(j \in I_{\pi}\right)$

$$
x=\sum_{i \in /_{\mathbb{V}}} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}+\sum_{j \in /_{\mathbb{\pi}}} \psi_{j}(x) \cdot n_{j}
$$

- With cage change $P \mapsto P^{\prime}$, transformation is then given by

$$
F\left(\cdot, P^{\prime}\right): x \mapsto x^{\prime}=\sum_{i \in /_{\mathbb{V}}} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}^{\prime}+\sum_{j \in /_{\mathbb{T}}} \psi_{j}(x) \cdot s_{j} \cdot n_{j}^{\prime}
$$

- $s_{j}$ scaling factors, chosen appropriately to obtain desired properties


## Example Transformation



Original, transformation induced from Green Coordinates

## Derivation of Green Coordinates

## Theorem (Green's Third Identity)

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{d}$ with a smooth boundary, $G_{a}$ a fundamental solution of the Laplace equation (i.e. $\Delta G_{a}(x)=\delta_{a, x}$ ). If $u: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is twice continuously differentiable, then for all $a \in \Omega$, the following equality holds:

$$
u(a)=\int_{\partial \Omega}\left(u(x) \cdot \frac{\partial G_{a}}{\partial n}(x)-G_{a}(x) \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial n}(x)\right) d \sigma_{x}+\underbrace{\int_{\Omega} G_{a}(x) \cdot \Delta u(x) d x}_{\text {vanishes if } u \text { harmonic }}
$$

Those functions $G_{a}$ in $\mathbb{R}^{d}$ have the form

$$
G_{a}(x)= \begin{cases}\frac{1}{2 \pi} \log \|a-x\| & d=2 \\ \frac{1}{(2-d) \omega_{d}}\|a-x\|^{2-d} & d \geq 3\end{cases}
$$

(with $\omega_{d}$ volume of the $d$-unit sphere).

## Derivation of Green Coordinates

Treat coordinate functions $u=(x, y, z): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{3}$ as special harmonic functions (in each component):

$$
u(a)=a=\int_{\partial \Omega}\left(x \cdot \frac{\partial G_{a}}{\partial n}(x)-G_{a}(x) \cdot n(x)\right) d \sigma_{x}
$$

## Remark

Let $d=2 \Rightarrow G_{a}(x)=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \log \|a-x\|$. Compare the above representation to Cauchy's integral formula:

$$
a=\frac{1}{2 \pi i} \int_{\partial D} \frac{1}{z-a} \cdot z d \sigma_{z}
$$

In 2D, Green and Complex Coordinates (Gotsman) are equivalent!

## Derivation of Green Coordinates

- normal $n_{j}$ constant on each triangle $t_{j}$
- for $x \in t_{j}, x=\sum_{v_{k} \in \mathbb{V}\left(t_{j}\right)} \Gamma_{k}(x) \cdot v_{k}$ (real barycentric coordinates; $\Gamma_{k}$ piecewise linear hat function with $\Gamma_{k}\left(v_{i}\right)=\delta_{i k}$ )
Rearrange and for $x=\sum_{i \in \mathbb{I}_{\mathbb{V}}} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}+\sum_{j \in I_{\mathbb{T}}} \psi_{j}(x) \cdot n_{j}$, one obtains:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\varphi_{i}(a)=\int_{x \in \operatorname{AdjFaces}\left(v_{i}\right)} \Gamma_{i}(x) \cdot \frac{\partial G_{a}}{\partial n}(x) d \sigma_{x} & i \in I_{\mathbb{V}} \\
\psi_{j}(a)=-\int_{x \in t_{j}} G_{a}(x) d \sigma_{x} & j \in I_{\mathbb{T}}
\end{array}
$$

## Desired Properties

For the transformation

$$
F\left(x, P^{\prime}\right)=\sum_{i \in /_{\mathbb{V}}} \varphi_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}^{\prime}+\sum_{j \in \mathbb{I}_{\pi}} \psi_{j}(x) \cdot s_{j} \cdot n_{j}^{\prime}
$$

the scaling factors $s_{j}$ (depending on source and target cage!) are still to be defined to ensure the following properties:

1. Linear reproduction: $x=F(x, P)$
2. Translation invariance: $F(x, P+v)=x+v$
3. Rotation and scale invariance: $F(x, T P)=T x$ for $T$ an affine transformation consisting of rotation with isotropic scale
4. Shape preservation: $x \mapsto F\left(x, P^{\prime}\right)$ is conformal $(d=2)$ or quasi-conformal ( $d \geq 3$ )
5. Smoothness: $\phi_{i}, \psi_{j}$ should be smooth

## Scaling Factors

- In 2D, choose $s_{j}=\left\|t_{j}^{\prime}\right\| /\left\|t_{j}\right\|$.
- In 3D, choose

$$
\frac{1}{\sqrt{8} \operatorname{area}\left(t_{j}\right)} \sqrt{\left\|u^{\prime}\right\|^{2}\|v\|^{2}-2\left(u^{\prime} \cdot v^{\prime}\right)(u \cdot v)+\left\|v^{\prime}\right\|^{2}\|u\|^{2}}
$$

where $u, v, u^{\prime}, v^{\prime}$ span the old and new triangles $t_{j}, t_{j}^{\prime}$.

- If $t_{j}=t_{j}^{\prime}$, then $s_{j}=1$. (necessary for linear reproduction)
- Conformality for $d=2$ is proven in Technical Report yet to be published.
- Quasi-Conformality for $d \geq 3$ :
- distortion measured by quotient of singular values of DF
- experimentally found distortion bounded by constant $\leq 6$ (Mean-Value Coordinates and Harmonic Coordinates yield unbounded distortion proportional to cage distortion)


## Some Images I



Deformations using Green, Mean-Value, Harmonic Coordinates

## Some Images II



Deformation using a non-simply connected cage

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## Partial Cages: Motivation

- Sometimes only part of a geometry should be deformed.
- Large cages are harder to construct and increase computation time.
- Requirements:
- Smooth transition where geometry crosses "exit face".
- Diminishing influence of cage movement outside the cage.



## Problems

- Green's Identity only holds inside the cage, i.e. for $x \in P^{\text {in }}$.
- Coordinate functions:
- Normal weights $\psi_{j}(a)=-\int_{x \in t_{j}} G_{a}(x) d \sigma_{x}$ are smooth across $\partial \Omega$ :

- Vertex weights $\varphi_{i}(a)=\int_{x \in \operatorname{AdjFaces}\left(v_{i}\right)} \Gamma_{i}(x) \cdot \frac{\partial G_{a}}{\partial n}(x) d \sigma_{x}$ are discontinuous across adjacent faces of $v_{i}$ :

- $F(x, P)=0$ if $x \in P^{\text {ext }}$
- Goal: Find analytic (complex-analytic in $d=2$, real-analytic in $d \geq 3$ ) continuations of $\varphi_{i}$ across a fixed face $t_{r}$.
- Let $I_{r} \subset I_{\mathbb{V}}$ be the index set of vertices spanning $t_{r}$.
- Define $\tilde{\psi}_{r}$ and $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}\left(i \in I_{r}\right)$ such that:
- linear reproduction holds:

$$
\sum_{i \in I_{r}} \tilde{\varphi}_{i}(x) v_{i}+\tilde{\psi}_{r}(x) n_{r}=x-\sum_{i \in I_{\mathbb{V}} \backslash I_{r}} \varphi_{i}(x) v_{i}-\sum_{j \neq r} \psi_{j}(x) n_{j}
$$

- translation invariance holds:

$$
\sum_{i \in I_{r}} \tilde{\varphi}_{i}(x)=1-\sum_{i \in l_{\mathbb{V}} \backslash l_{r}} \varphi_{i}(x)
$$

This yields an (invertible!) linear equation system that can be used to compute $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}(x)$ and $\tilde{\psi}_{j}(x)$.

- $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}(x)=\varphi_{i}(x)$ and $\tilde{\psi}_{j}(x)=\psi_{j}(x)$ if $x \in P^{\text {in }}$ (by construction)


## Properties of Extension

## Theorem

The mapping

$$
\tilde{F}\left(x, P^{\prime}\right)=\sum_{i \in I_{\mathbb{V}}} \tilde{\varphi}_{i}(x) \cdot v_{i}^{\prime}+\sum_{j \in /_{\mathbb{T}}} \tilde{\psi}_{j}(x) \cdot s_{j} \cdot n_{j}^{\prime}
$$

- in the 2D case is the unique complex-analytic extension of the mapping $F\left(\cdot, P^{\prime}\right)$ through the edge $t_{r}$.
- In 3D, $\tilde{\varphi}_{i}$ and $\tilde{\psi}_{j}$ are the unique real-analytic extensions of $\varphi_{i}$, $\psi_{j}$ through the face $t_{r}$.

In some cases, it is possible to define an extension for multiple "exit faces".

## Some Images



Deformation using a partial cage

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## Pseudocodes

Input: cage $P=(\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{T})$, set of points $\Lambda=\{\boldsymbol{\eta}\}$
Output: $2 D \mathrm{GC} \phi_{i}(\boldsymbol{\eta}), \psi_{j}(\boldsymbol{\eta}), i \in I_{\mathrm{v}}, j \in I_{\mathrm{T}}, \boldsymbol{\eta} \in \Lambda$
/* Initialization
set all $\phi_{i}=0$ and $\psi_{j}=0$
/* Coordinate computation
foreach edoe $j \in I_{T}$ with vertices $v_{j_{1}}, v_{j_{2}}$
$\boldsymbol{a}:=\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{2}}-\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{1}} \quad ; \quad \boldsymbol{b}:=\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{1}}-\eta$
$Q:=\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{a} ; \quad ;:=\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \boldsymbol{b} ; \quad R:=2 \boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{b}$
$B A:=\boldsymbol{b} \cdot \| \boldsymbol{a} \mid \boldsymbol{n}\left(t_{j}\right) \quad ; \quad S R T:=\sqrt{4 S Q-R^{2}}$
$L 0:=\log (S) \quad ; \quad L 1:=\log (S+Q+R)$
$A 0:=\frac{\tan ^{-1}(R / S R T)}{S R T}$
$A 1:=\frac{\tan ^{-1}((2 Q+R) / S R T)}{S R T}$
$A 10:=A 1-A 0 \quad ; \quad L 10:=L 1-L 0$
$\psi_{j}(\eta):=$
$-\mid \boldsymbol{a} \| /(4 \pi)\left[\left(4 S-\frac{R^{2}}{Q}\right) A 10+\frac{R}{2 Q} L 10+L 1-2\right]$
$\phi_{j_{2}}(\eta):=\phi_{j_{2}}(\boldsymbol{\eta})-\frac{B A}{2 \pi}\left[\frac{L 10}{2 Q}-A 10 \frac{R}{Q}\right]$
$\phi_{j_{1}}(\eta):=\phi_{j_{1}}(\boldsymbol{\eta})+\frac{B A}{2 \pi}\left[\frac{L 10}{2 Q}-A 10\left(2+\frac{R}{Q}\right)\right]$
end
end

Input: cage $P=(\mathbb{V}, \mathbb{T})$, set of points $\Lambda=\{\boldsymbol{\eta}\}$
Output: $3 D \operatorname{GC} \phi_{i}(\boldsymbol{\eta}), \psi_{j}(\boldsymbol{\eta}), i \in I_{\mathrm{V}}, j \in I_{\mathrm{T}}, \boldsymbol{\eta} \in \Lambda$
/* Initialization
set all $\phi_{i}=0$ and $\psi_{j}=0$
/+ Coordinate computation
foreach point $\boldsymbol{\eta} \in \Lambda$ do
foreach face $j \in I_{\mathrm{T}}$ with vertices $\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{1}}, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{2}}, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{3}}$ do

$$
\text { foreach } \ell=1,2,3 \text { do }
$$

$$
L \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\varepsilon}}:=\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell}}-\eta
$$

$$
\boldsymbol{p}:=\left(\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{1}} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}\left(t_{j}\right)\right) \boldsymbol{n}\left(t_{j}\right)
$$

$$
\text { foreach } \ell=1,2,3 \text { do }
$$

$s_{\ell}:=$
$\operatorname{sign}\left(\left(\left(v_{j_{\ell}}-p\right) \times\left(v_{j_{\ell+1}}-p\right)\right) \cdot n\left(t_{j}\right)\right)$
$I_{\ell}:=\operatorname{GCTriInt}\left(\boldsymbol{p}, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell}}, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell+1}}, 0\right)$
$I_{\ell}:=\operatorname{GCTriInt}\left(0, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell+1}}, \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell}}, 0\right)$
$\boldsymbol{q}_{\ell}:=\boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell+1}} \times \boldsymbol{v}_{j_{\ell}}$
$\boldsymbol{N}_{\boldsymbol{\ell}}:=\boldsymbol{q}_{\boldsymbol{\ell}} /\left\|\boldsymbol{q}_{\boldsymbol{\ell}}\right\|$
$I:=-\left|\sum_{k=1}^{3} s_{k} I_{k}\right|$ $\boldsymbol{w}:=\boldsymbol{n}\left(t_{j}\right) I+\sum_{k=1}^{3} \boldsymbol{N}_{k} I I_{k}$ if $\|\boldsymbol{w}\|>\epsilon$ then
foreach $\boldsymbol{\ell}=1,2,3$ do

$$
\phi_{j_{\ell}}(\eta):=\phi_{j_{\ell}}(\eta)+\frac{N_{\ell+1} \cdot w}{N_{\ell+1} \cdot v_{j_{\ell}}}
$$

end
end
Procedure GCTriInt $\left(p, \boldsymbol{v}_{1}, \boldsymbol{v}_{2}, \boldsymbol{\eta}\right)$
$\alpha:=\cos ^{-1}\left(\frac{\left(v_{2}-v_{1}\right) \cdot\left(p-v_{1}\right)}{\| v_{2}-v_{1}| | p-v_{1} \mid}\right)$
$\beta:=\cos ^{-1}\left(\frac{\left(v_{1}-p\right) \cdot\left(v_{2}-p\right)}{\left|v_{1}-p\right| \| v_{2}-p \mid}\right)$
$\lambda:=\left\|\boldsymbol{p}-\boldsymbol{v}_{1}\right\|^{2} \sin (\alpha)^{2}$
$c:=\|p-\eta\|^{2}$
foreach $\theta=\pi-\alpha, \pi-\alpha-\beta$ do
$S:=\sin (\theta) \quad ; \quad C:=\cos (\theta)$
$I_{\theta}:=\frac{-\operatorname{sign}(S)}{2}\left[2 \sqrt{c} \tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{c} C}{\sqrt{\lambda+S^{2} c}}\right)+\right.$
$\left.\sqrt{\lambda} \log \left(\frac{2 \sqrt{\lambda} S^{2}}{(1-C)^{2}}\left(1-\frac{20 C}{c(1+C)+\lambda+\sqrt{\lambda^{2}+\lambda c S^{2}}}\right)\right)\right]$
return $\frac{-1}{4 \pi}\left|I_{\pi-\alpha}-I_{\pi-\alpha-\beta}-\sqrt{c} \beta\right|$

## Pseudocode for 2D and 3D given in the paper

- $N$ number of geometry vertices, $V$ number of cage vertices, $T$ number of cage faces
- Preprocessing:
- compute coordinates, $O(N \cdot(V+T))$ (but with large constants!)
- On every cage deformation:
- compute new normals and scaling factors, $O(T)$
- compute new positions, $O(N \cdot(V+T))$ (but can be done fast as simple matrix multiplication)
- can be done more efficient: consider only changed vertices / triangles


## For Further Reading

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