# Well-composed cell complexes 

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## Motivation

$\square$ Our ultimate purpose:
To extract (co)homological information of a 3D model.


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For this aim, first we need to compute representative (co)cycles of (co)homology generators of dimension 1 in the model.


Extracted from Dey et al., Computing Geometry-aware Handle and Tunnel Loops in 3D Models. ACM Transactions on Graphics, Vol. 27, No. 3, Article 45, (2008).

## Introduction

ㅁ T. Dey et al:
Computing loops on the surface that wraps around their 'handles' and 'tunnels'.

Applications:

- Feature detection
- Topological simplification
-...


Dey T. K., Li K., Sun J.: On computing handle and tunnel loops. IEEE Proceedings of the international conference on cyberworlds; 2007.p.357-66.

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$\square$ All the computations are carried out over a connected closed surface in $\mathrm{R}^{3}$.

Can we start from a similar scenario if we consider the cubical complex associated to a 3D digital picture?

Our answer: Well-composed cell complexes

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$\square$ Well-composed images enjoy important topological and geometric properties:

1. There is only one type of connected component.
2. Some algorithms used in computer vision, computer graphics and image processing are simpler.

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3. Thinning algorithms can be simplified and naturally made parallel if the input image is well-composed.
4. Some algorithms for computing surface curvature or extracting adaptive triangulated surfaces assume that the input image is well-composed.

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$\square$ There are several methods for turning binary digital images that are not well-composed into well-composed ones:

...but these methods "destroy the topology".

## Introduction

$\square$ Our goal in this paper:

To "transform" the cubical complex induced by a 3D binary digital picture into a homotopy equivalent cell complex, whose boundary is made up by 2-manifolds:

WELL -COMPOSED CELL COMPLEX.

## 3D digital images:

$\square I=\left(Z^{3}, B\right)$ : set of unit cubes (voxels) centered at the points of $B$ together with all the faces.
$\square$ Example: $\mathrm{I}=\left(\mathrm{Z}^{3}, \mathrm{~B}\right), \mathrm{B}=\{(0,0,0),(0,1,0),(0,0,1),(1,0,1)\}$

$B=$ foreground $\mathrm{B}^{\mathrm{c}}=\mathrm{Z}^{3} \backslash \mathrm{~B}=$ background

## Cubical complex:

## $\{$ Voxels $\} \longleftrightarrow\left\{3\right.$ D cubes in $\left.R^{3}\right\}$ <br> 1

## Combinatorial struture: CUBICAL COMPLEX



- 0-cells = vertices
- 1-cells = edges
- 2-cells = squared faces
- 3-cells = cubes

Voxel

## Cubical complex:

## \{ Voxels \}

## I

## Combinatorial struture: CUBICAL COMPLEX



0-cells notation:

$$
p_{l}=\left(i \pm \frac{1}{2}, j \pm \frac{1}{2}, k \pm \frac{1}{2}\right)
$$

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1-cells notation:

$$
\begin{aligned}
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2-cells notation:


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& c_{l}=\left(i \pm \frac{1}{2}, j, k\right) \\
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## Well-composed images:

$\square I=\left(Z^{3}, B\right)$ is a well-composed image if the boundary of the cubical complex associated, $\partial \mathrm{Q}(\mathrm{I})$, is a 2D-manifold.
$\square$ [Latecki97] A 3D binary digital image is well-composed iff the configuractions $\mathrm{C}_{1}, \mathrm{C}_{2}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{3}$ do not occur in $\mathrm{Q}(\mathrm{I})$.


## Well-composed images:



This point has not a neighborhood homeomorphic to $\mathrm{R}^{2}$.


## Well-composed images:



Critical configurations
within a block of eight cubes


## From a cubical complex to a well-composed cell complex:

A 3D digital image is not generally a well-composed image

Cubical complex Q(I)

Homotopy equivalent

Cell complex $\mathrm{K}(\mathrm{I})$ such that $\partial \mathrm{K}(\mathrm{I})$ is composed by 2D-manifolds: a well-composed cell complex.

## From a cubical complex to a well-composed cell complex:

Key idea: to create a true face adyacency to avoid the critical configurations

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## From a cubical complex to a well-composed cell complex:

INPUT
Cubical complex Q(I)

OUTPUT
Well-composed cell complex K(I)


## From a cubical complex to a well-composed cell complex:

So, we need "more space" to add new cells:


Adjacency = face relation between cells.

## From a cubical complex to a well-composed cell complex:

Step 1: Label critical edges and critical vertices of $\mathrm{Q}(\mathrm{I})$.

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Example 1

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## Future work:

Aims:
$\square$ To compute the homology of the foreground image as well as the background by computing the homology of the boundary surface;
$\square$ Geometrically control the representative (co)-cycles of homology generators;
$\square$ Deal with other 3D digital images: $(6,26),(18,6)$ or $(6,18)$ 3D images.

# Thanks for your attention! 

## Questions <br> 

