

Perception, Drawing and Interactive Modeling



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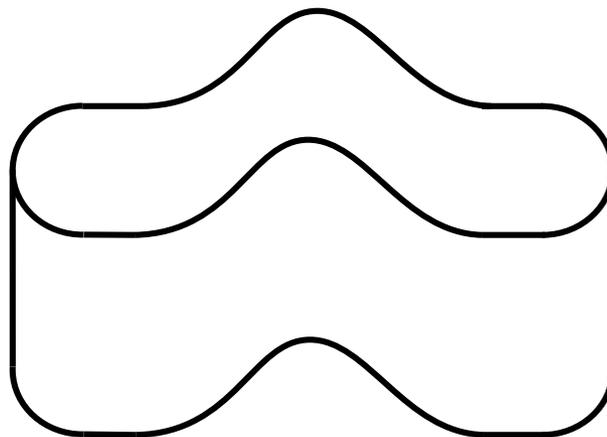
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Sketchpad (Ivan Sutherland 1963)

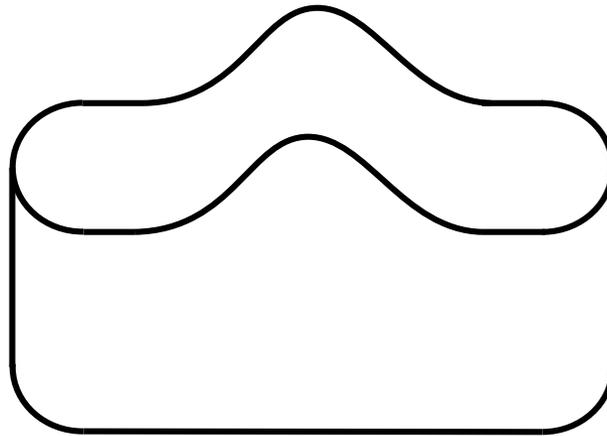


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video IN: Projection & Perception



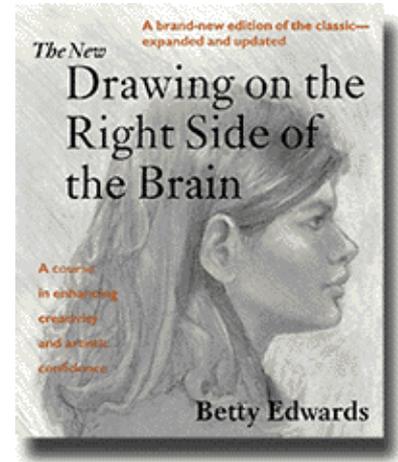
video IN: Projection & Perception



video OUT: Sketching & Sculpting

Most children between the ages of about 9-11 have a passion for realistic drawing.

...many adolescents say, "This is terrible! I have no talent for art. I'm not doing it anymore."



...regardless, we all mould, gesture and doodle!

Concept Modeling

The transformation of a creative vision into a digital 3D model, that is easy to refine and reuse.

Concept Modeling comes after Ideation



Hand-drawn sketch of a building facade, showing a complex, multi-faceted structure with various curved and angular forms.



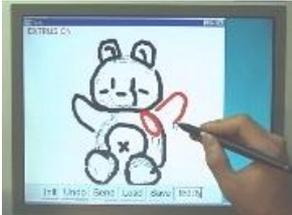
History of sketching tools



Sketchpad [Sutherland 1963]



SKETCH [Zelevnik et al 1996]



Teddy [Igarashi et al 1999]



I Love Sketch [Bae et al 2008]



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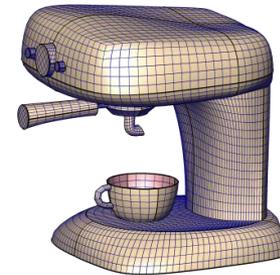


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- CrossShade.
- True2Form.

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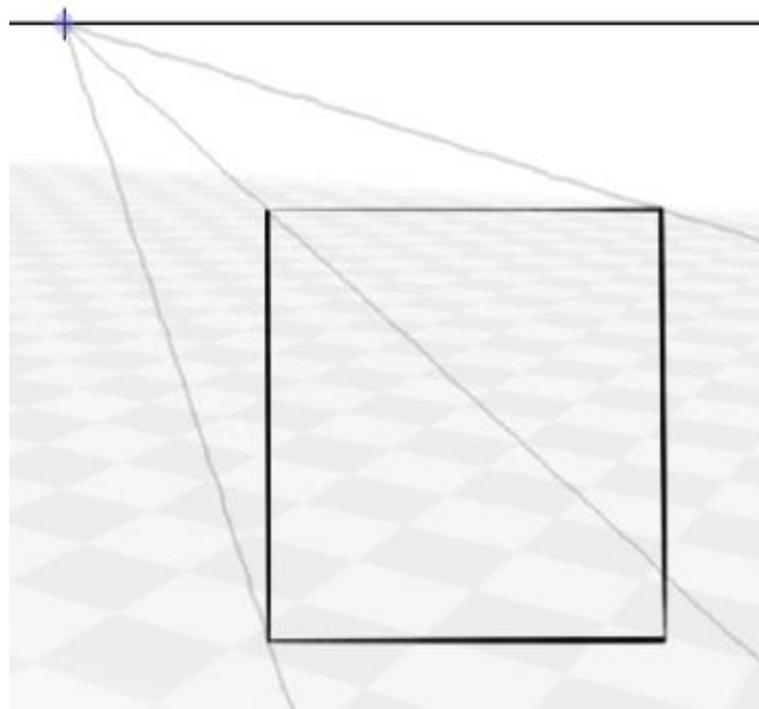
I ♥ SKETCH: multi-view sketching



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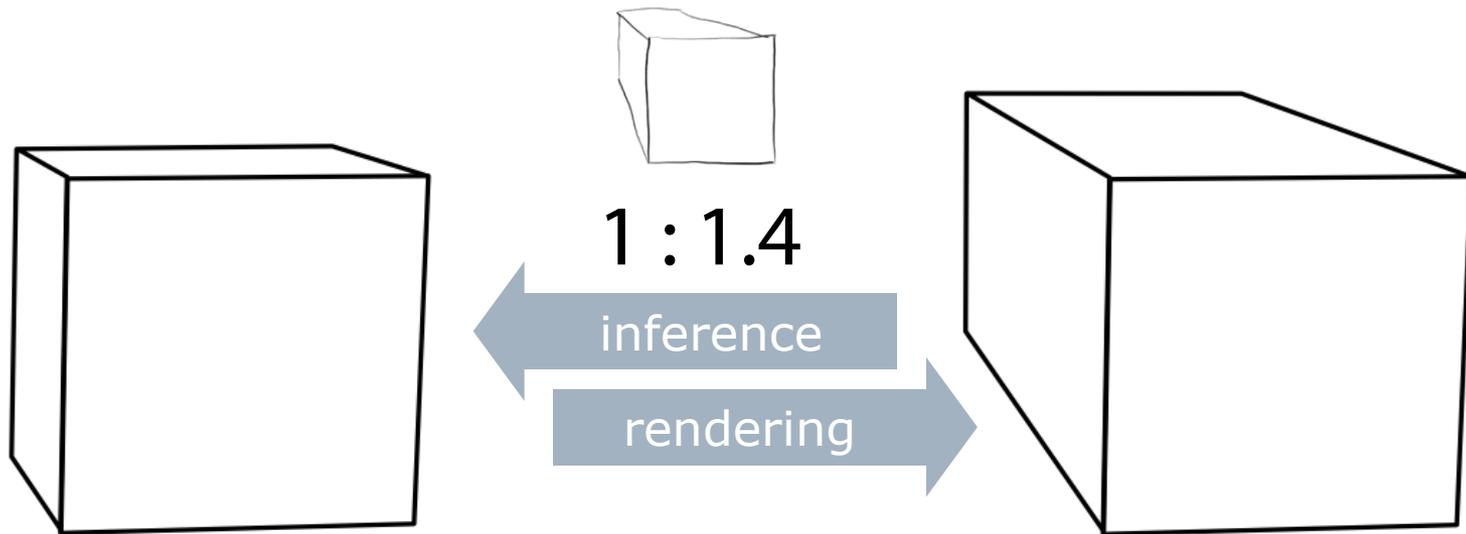
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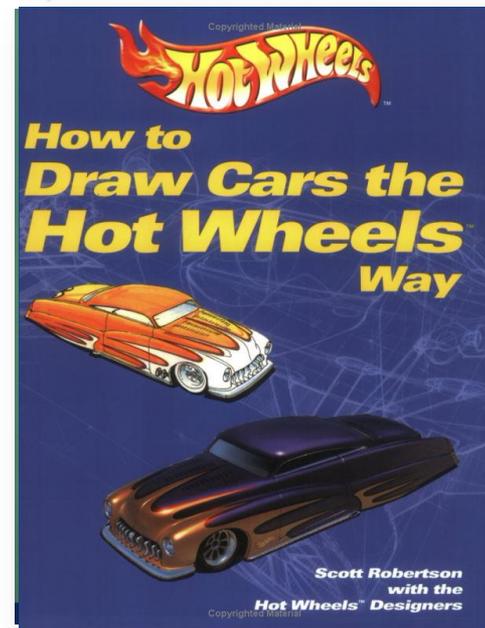
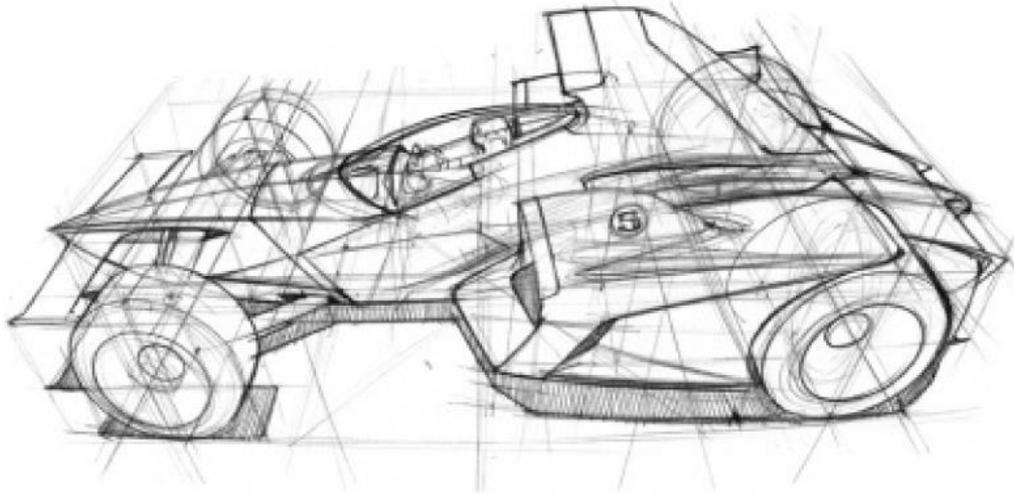
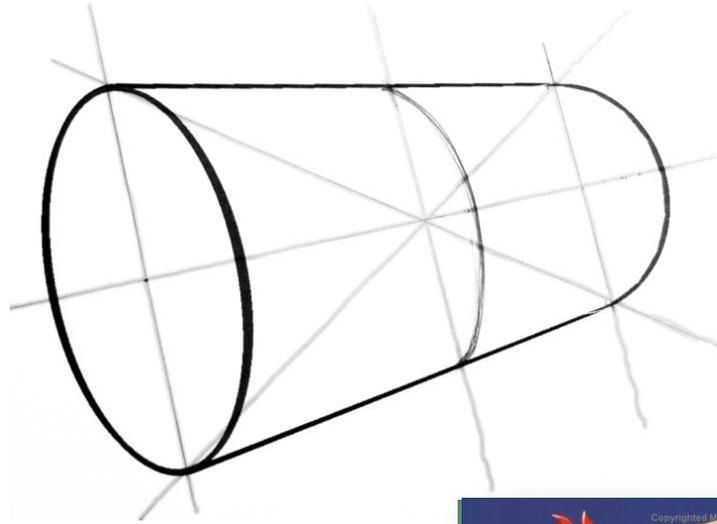
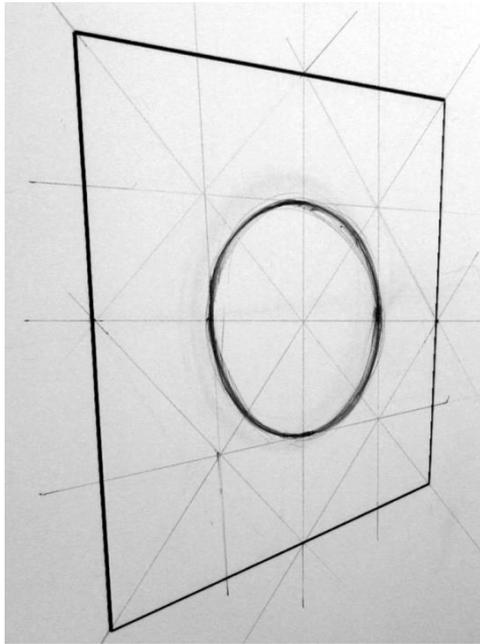
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Modeling Perceptual Bias

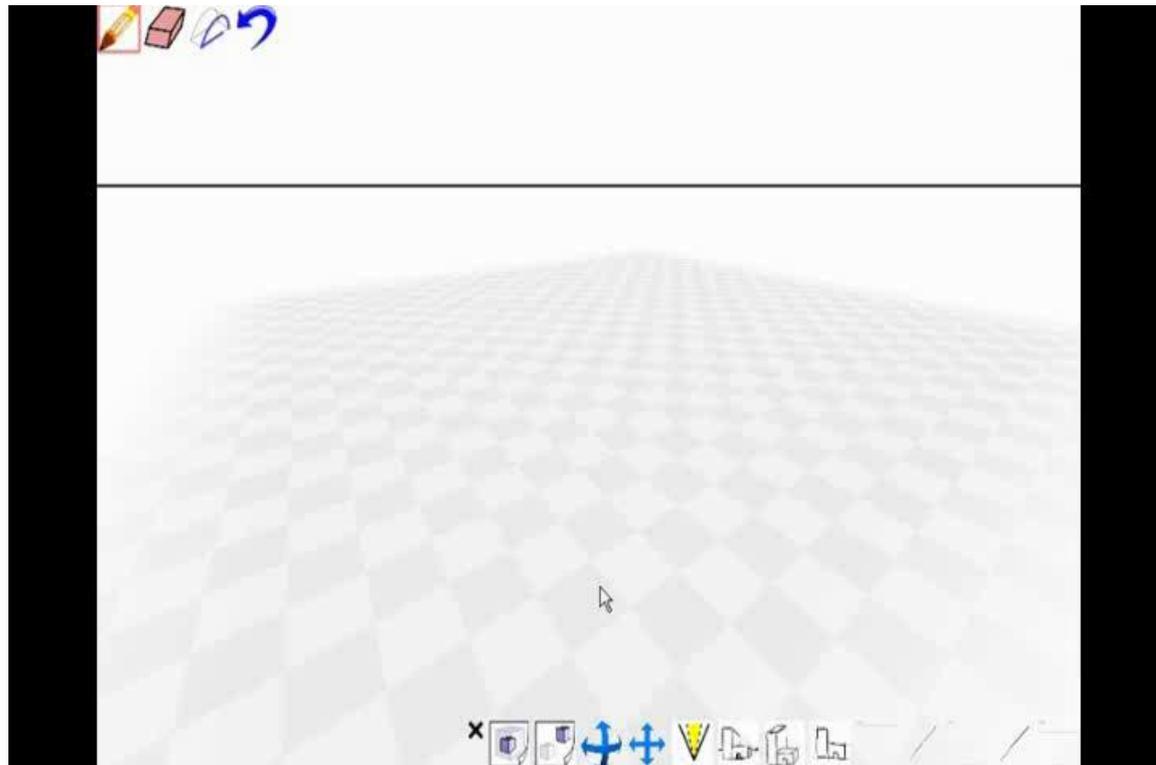


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Experts and drawing systems



Analytic Drawing: single-view sketching

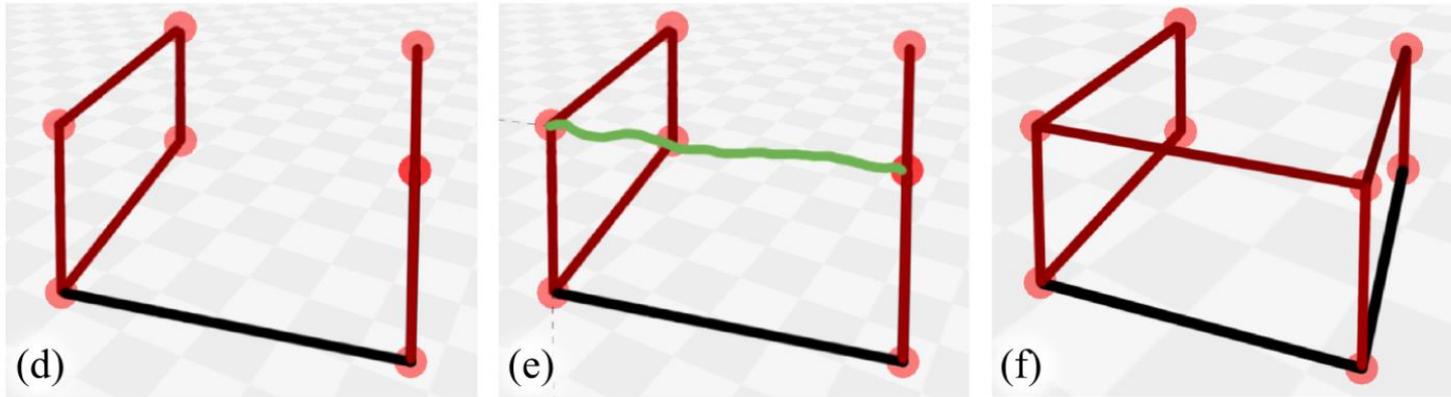


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Analytic Drawing: inference engine

- Scaffold constraints: position, direction, length.
- 3D curve *fitness*: snapping, geometric priors.

Redundancy resolves ambiguity.



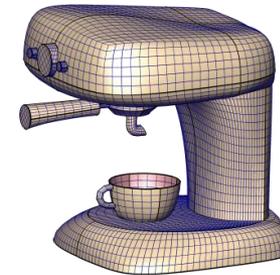
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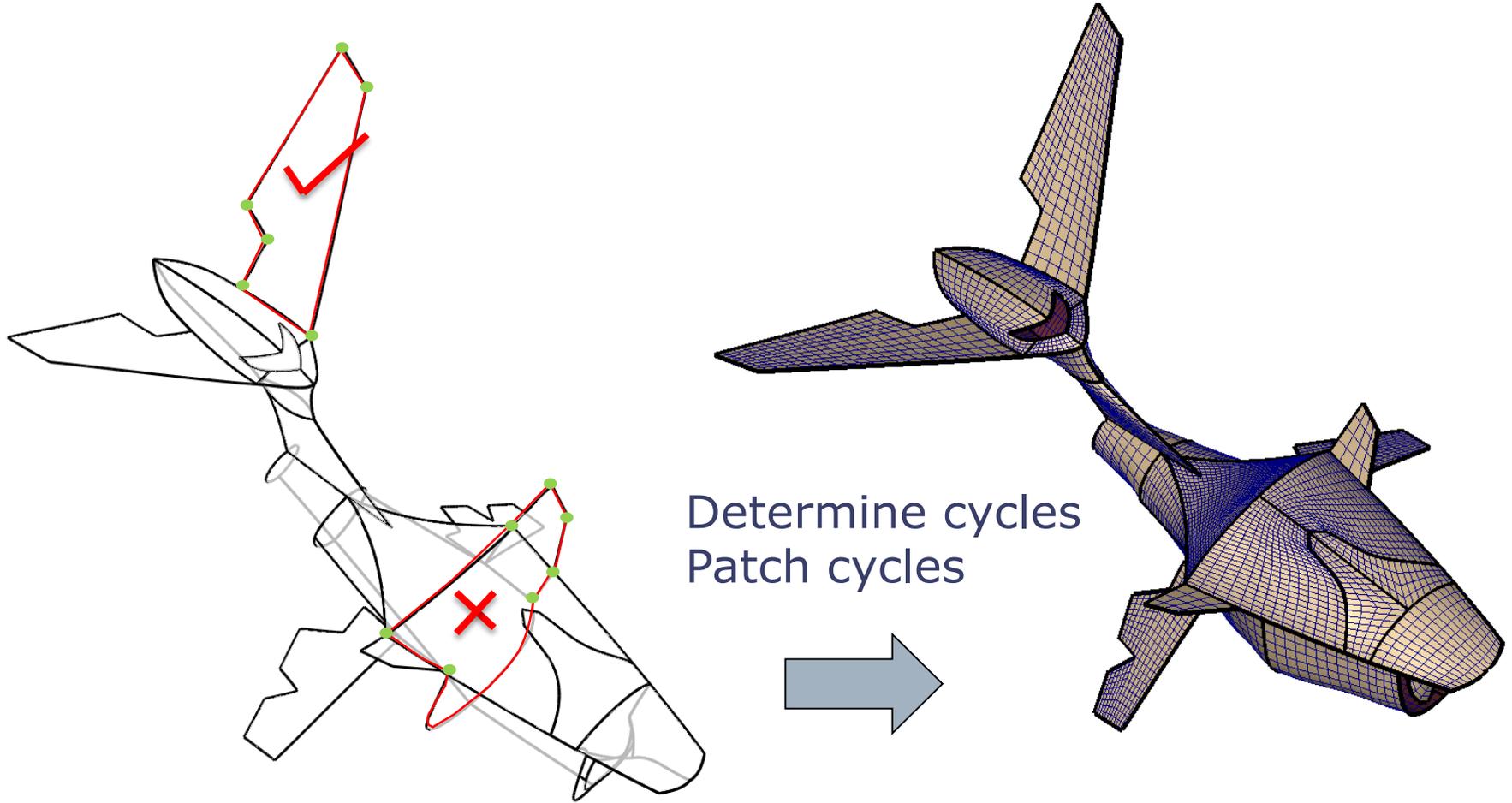
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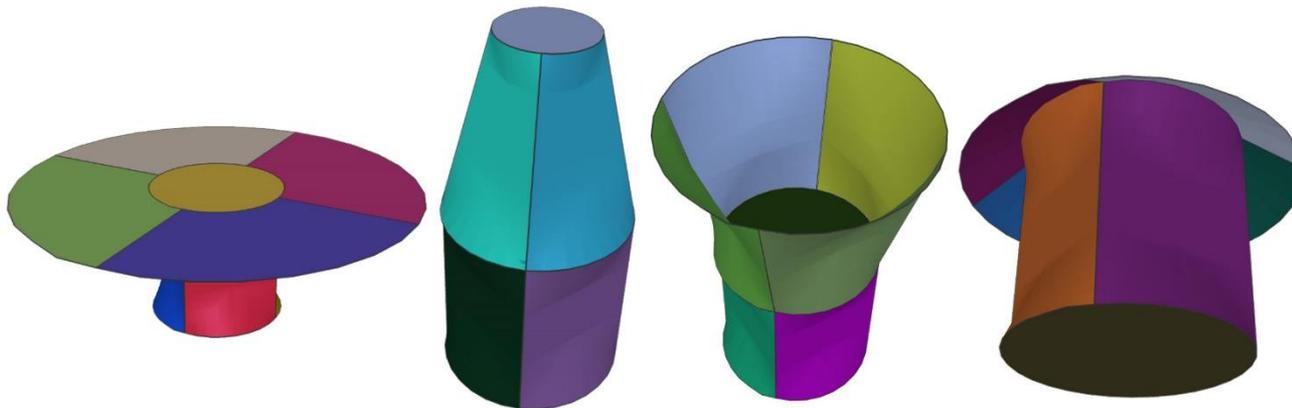
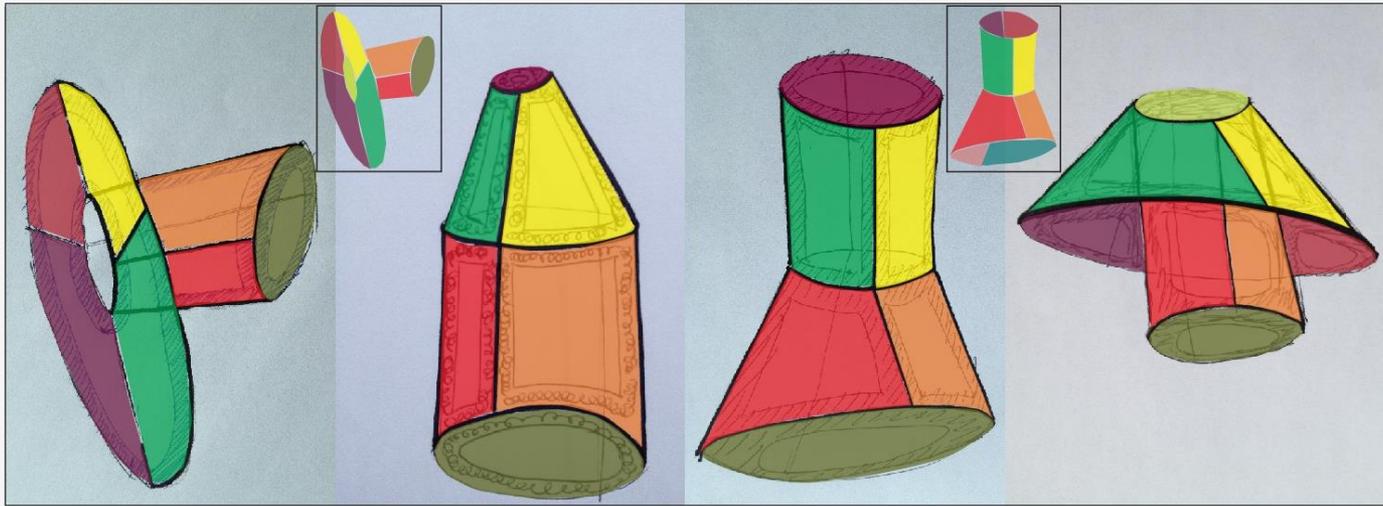
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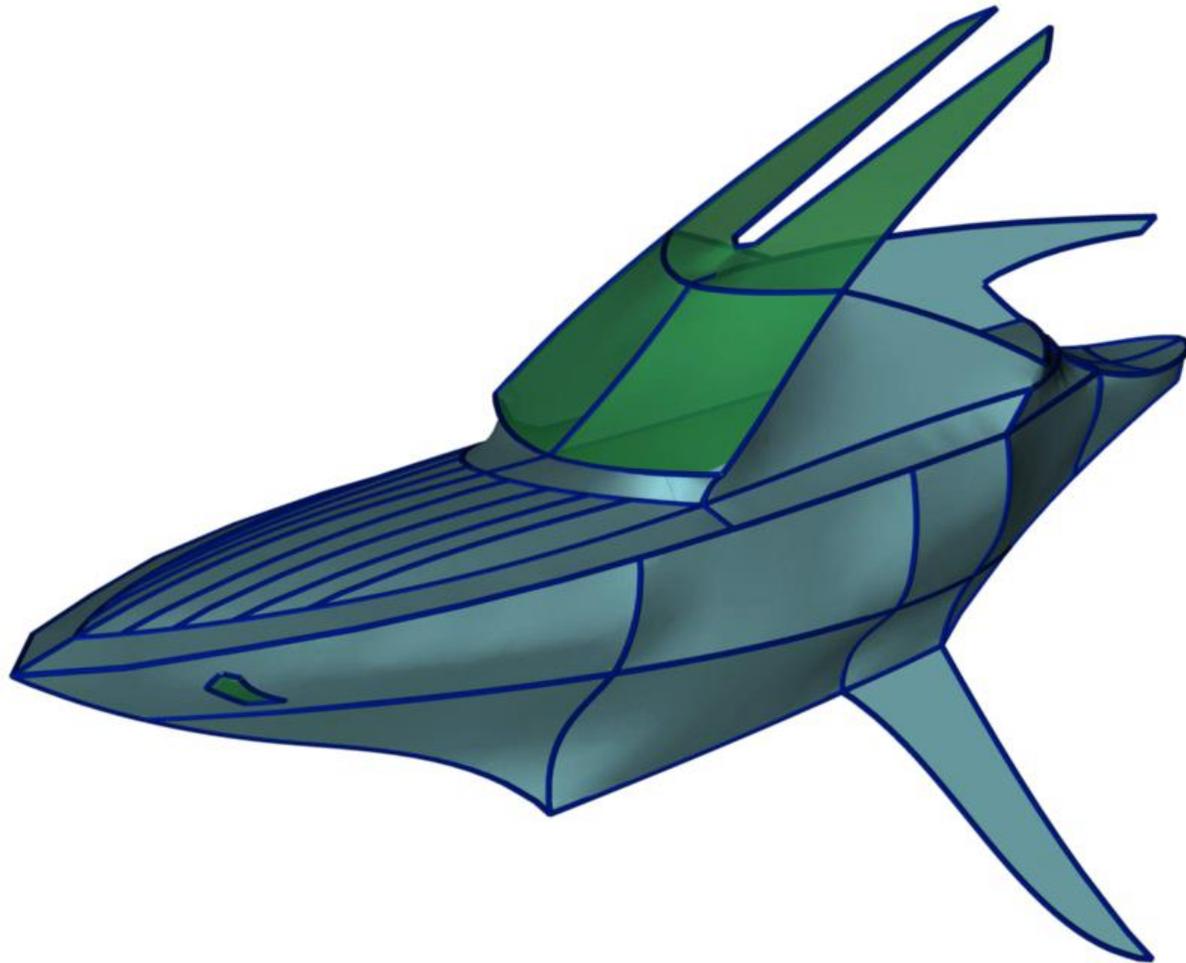


Curve network surfacing



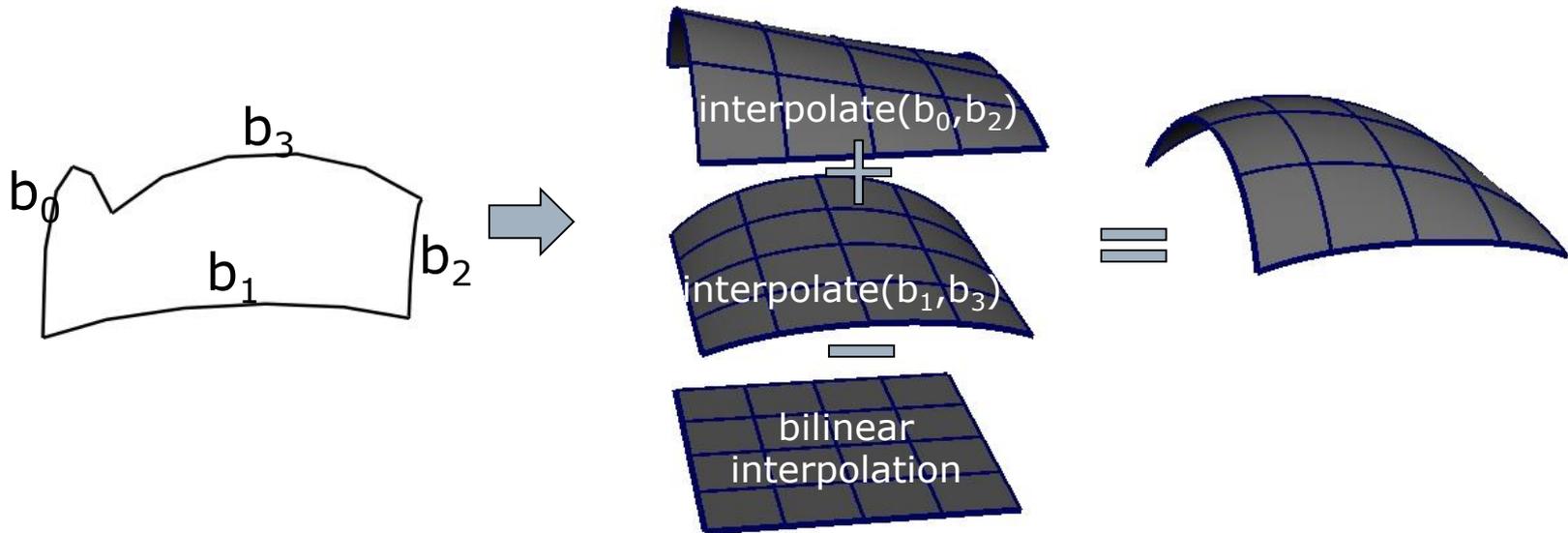
Determine cycles: topology+geometry



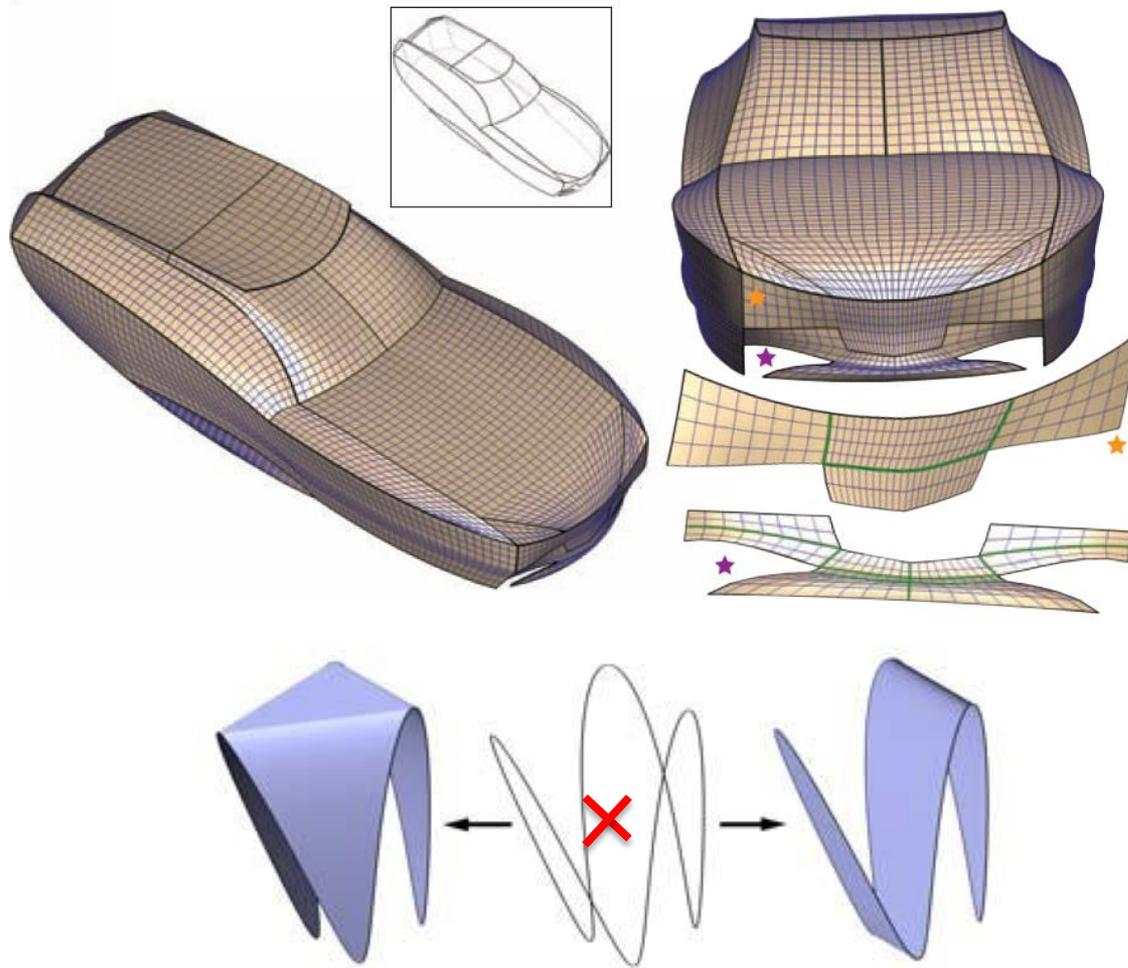


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Patch cycles: Coons Patch



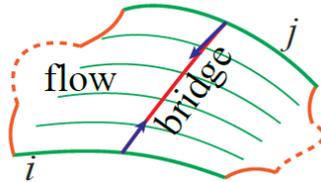
Patch cycles: design quadrangulation



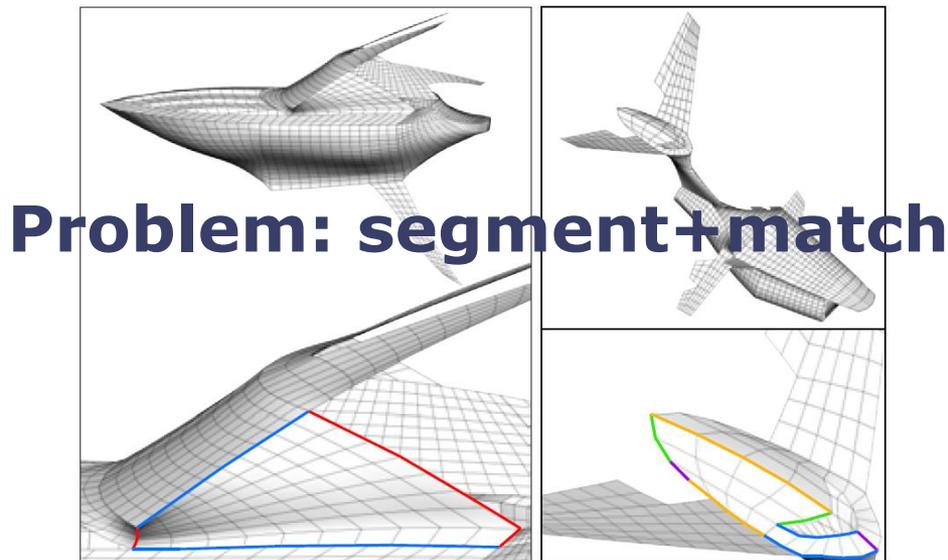
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Patch cycles: How do designers work?

- Cycles represent **flow-lines**
...smooth, low variation curves aligned with creases and curvature lines.
- Curve segment pairs like river banks define flow-lines.

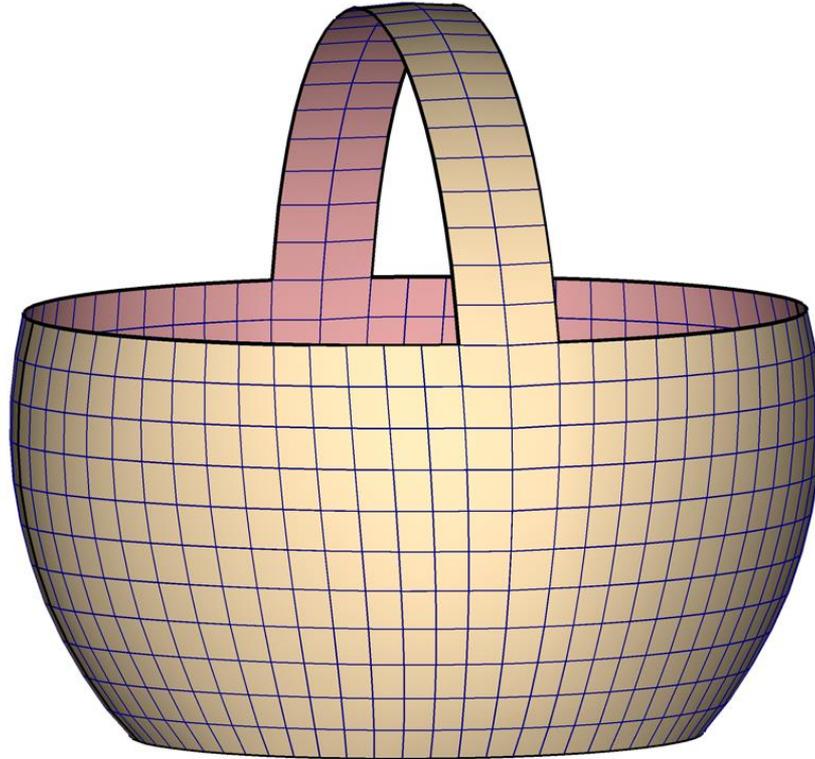


- Crossing flow-line families form quads.



Patch cycles: Stable matching

- matching cost = bridge curvature + segment shape.
- Interleave segmentation and matching.



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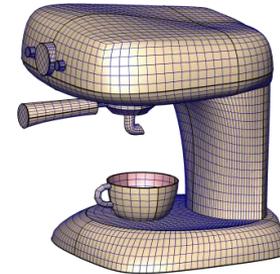


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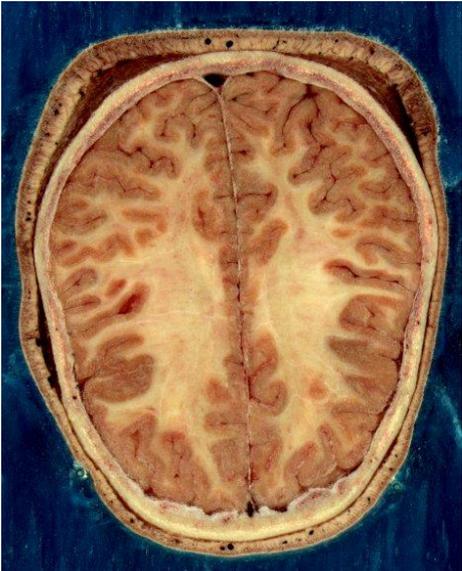
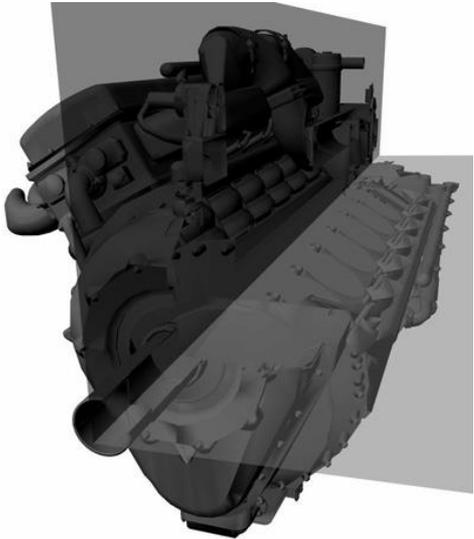
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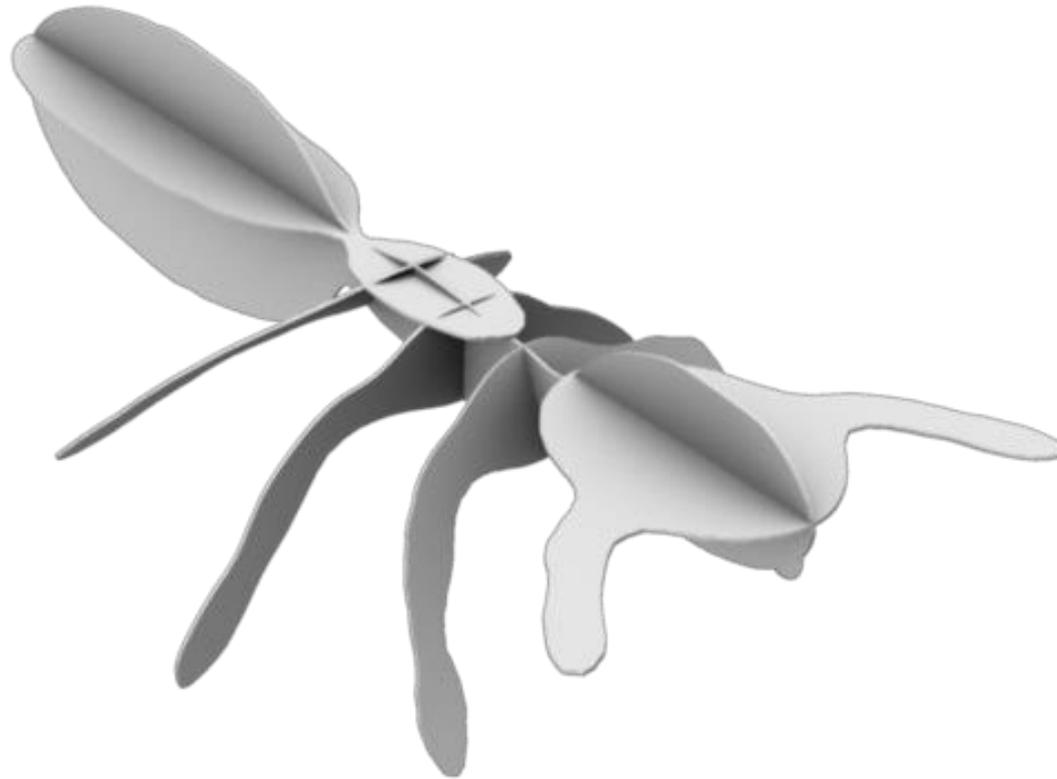


How important are non-planar curves?



Slices: problem statement

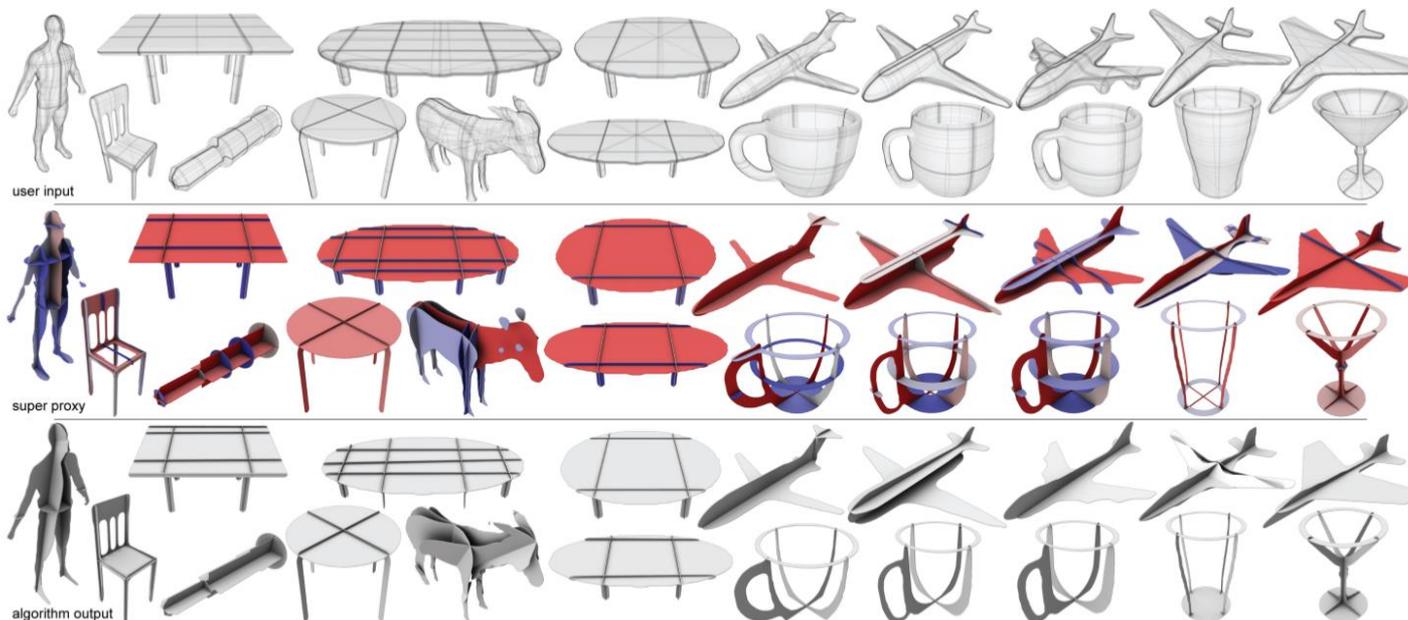
Compute a recognizable abstraction of a 3D model using a minimal set of planar sections.



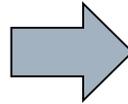
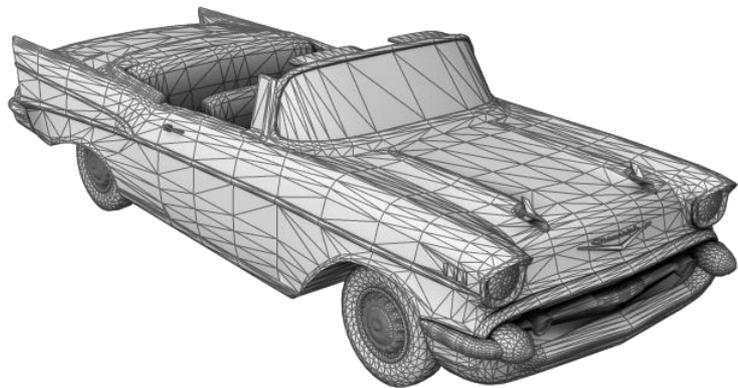
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<http://www.dgp.toronto.edu/~mccrae/projects/slices/>

Slices: Human creation=>Algorithm=>Human recognition

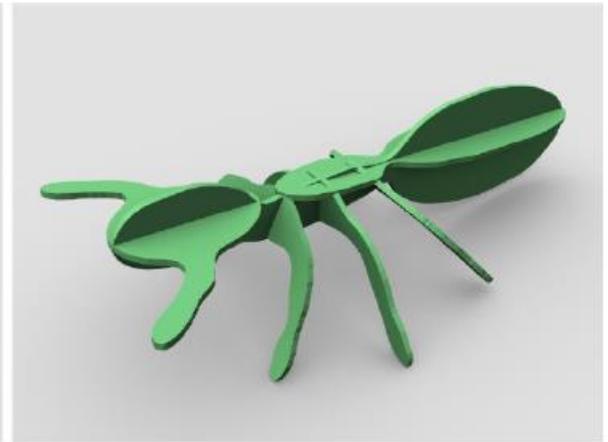
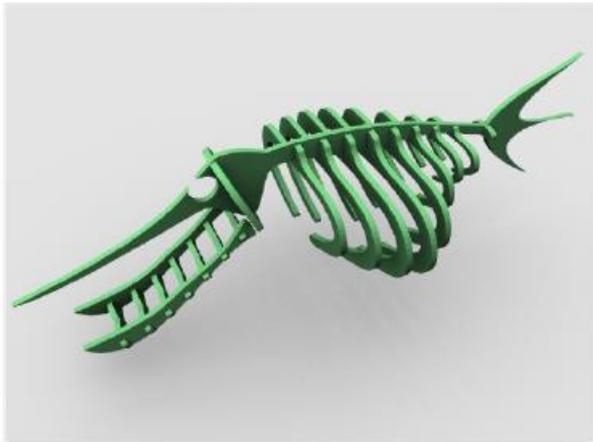
- Humans consistently selected a small set of planar sections, strongly correlated with geometric shape features.
18 humans, 19 models, avg. 4.77 planes.
- Problem reposed as min planar section cover of shape features.
- Recognition: mesh/human/algorithm (rate >90%, response < 2s).
PCA (rate=57%) random (rate=38%) (response > 4s).



Slices



FlatFab: interactive slices

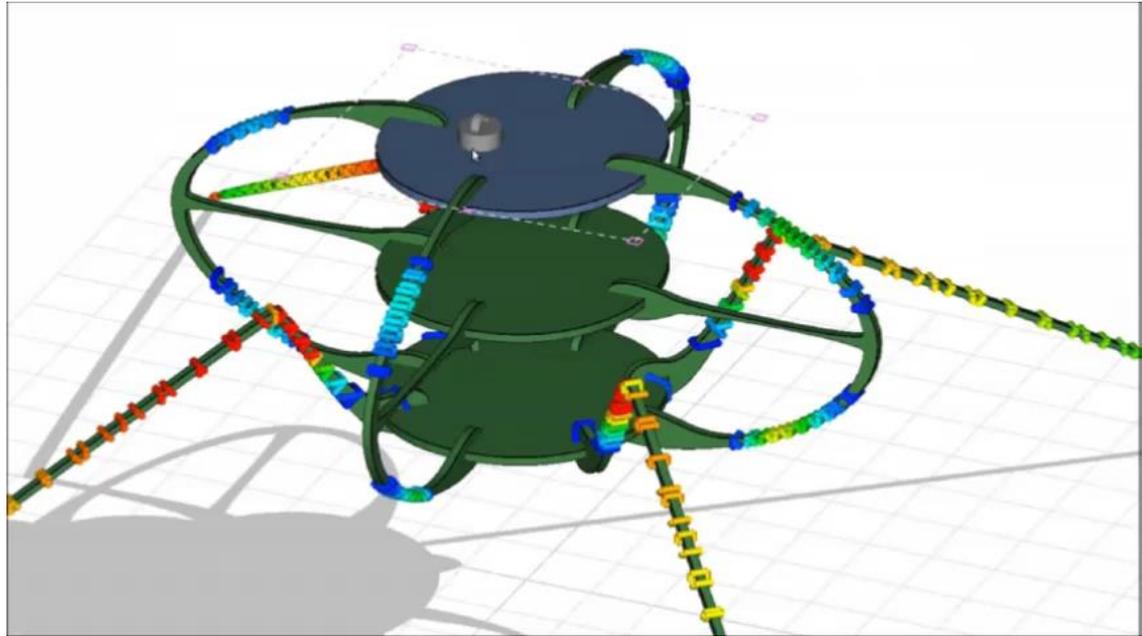


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<http://www.flatfab.com>

FlatFab: design principles

- Design collateral ...3D objects, 2D images.
- Shape Regularity.
- Near frontoparallel views.
- Single view interface.

FlatFab



CrossShade: special planar curves?

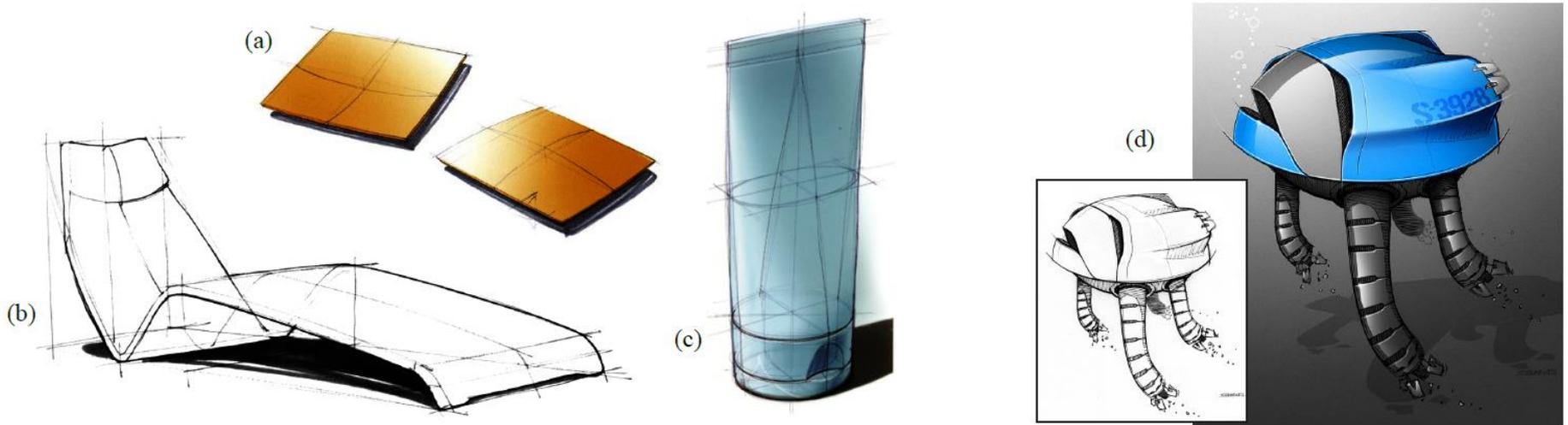


CrossShade: special planar curves?



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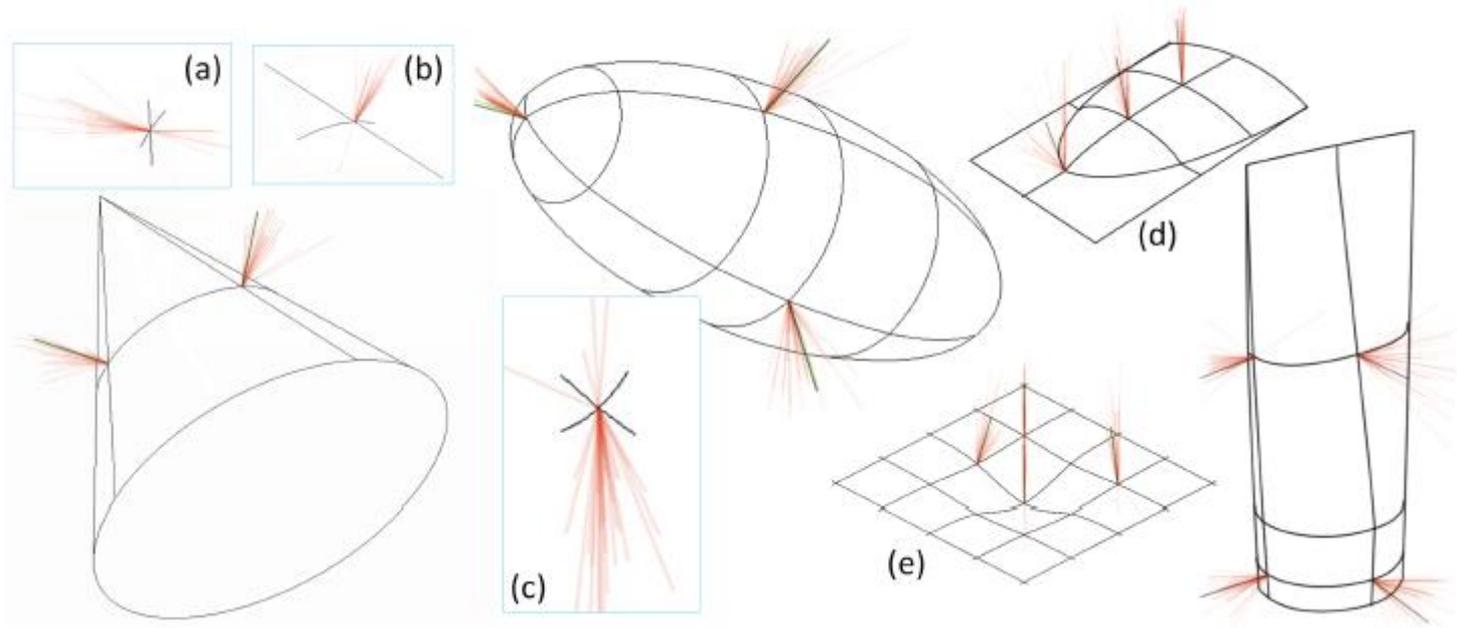
CrossShade: design analysis



“Cross-sections on a surface explain or emphasize its curvature.”

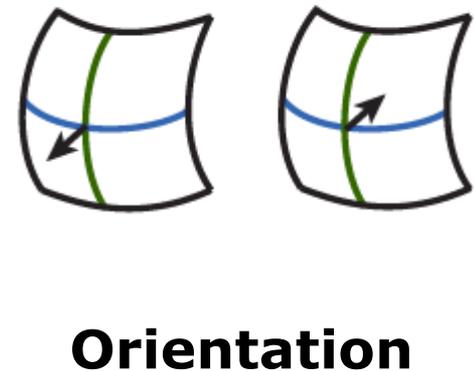
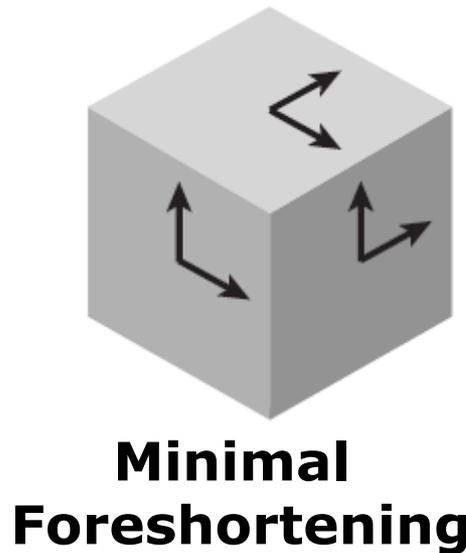
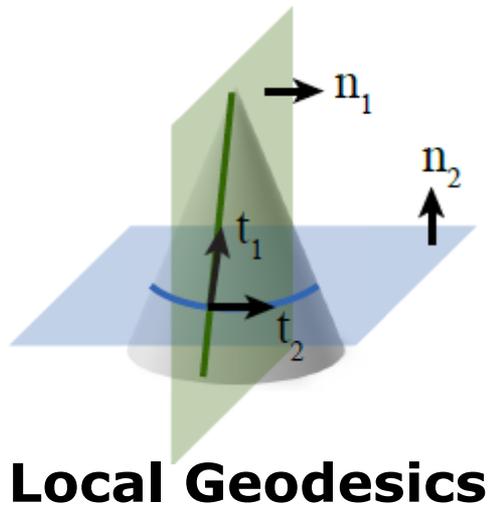
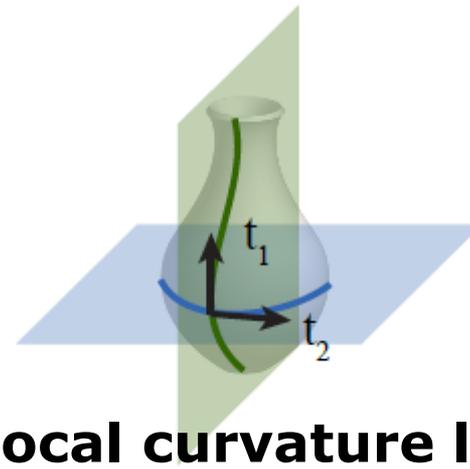
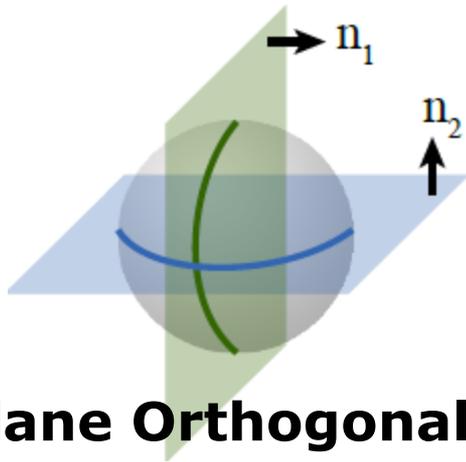
“...bend or transform the object’s surface.”

CrossShade: perceptual study

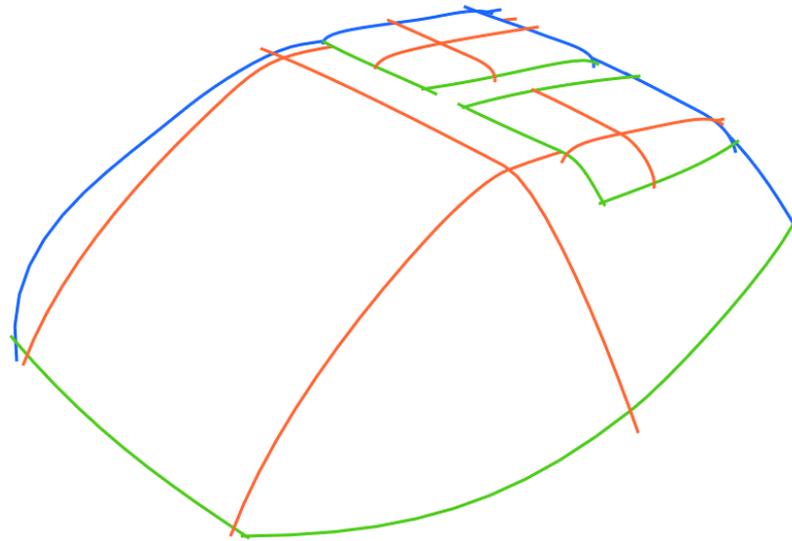


Viewers are *persistent*, *consistent* and *accurate* in X-hair perception.

CrossShade: defining cross-hairs

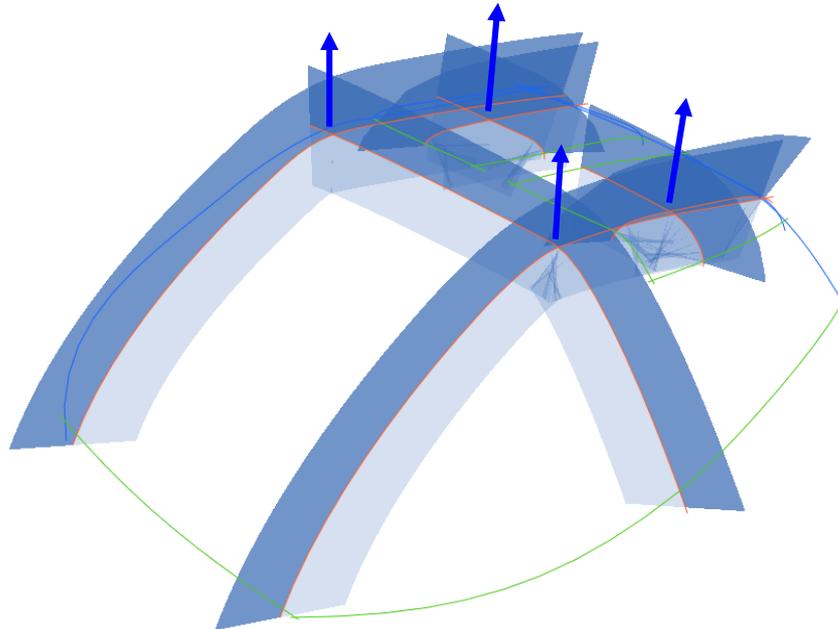


CrossShade: Algorithm



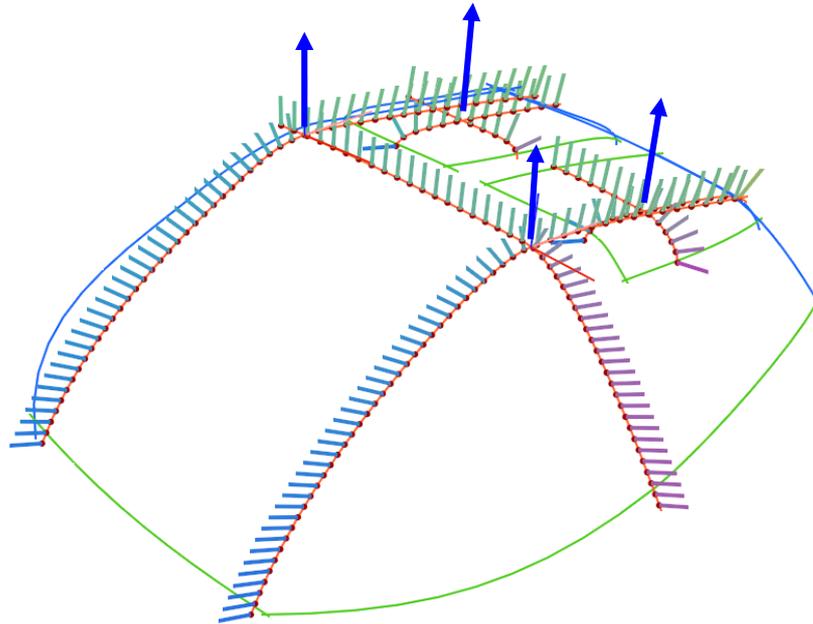
CrossShade: Algorithm

- Compute X-section planes, X-hair normals: *use 5 properties.*



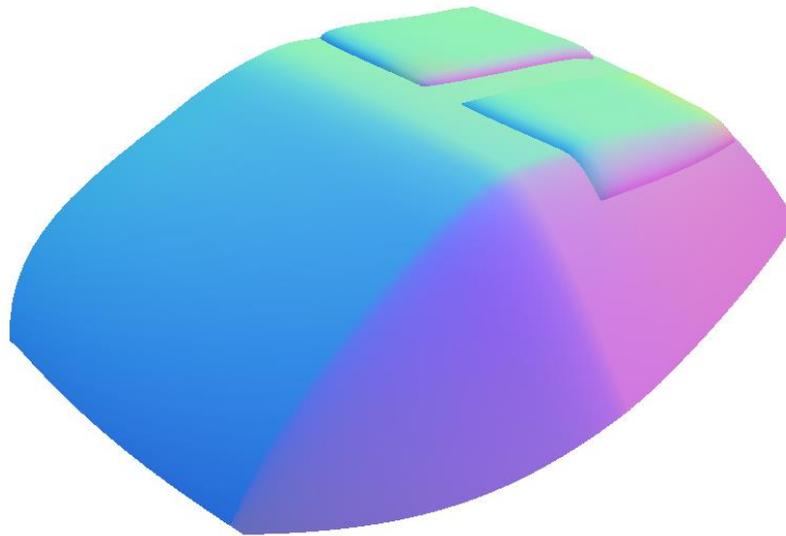
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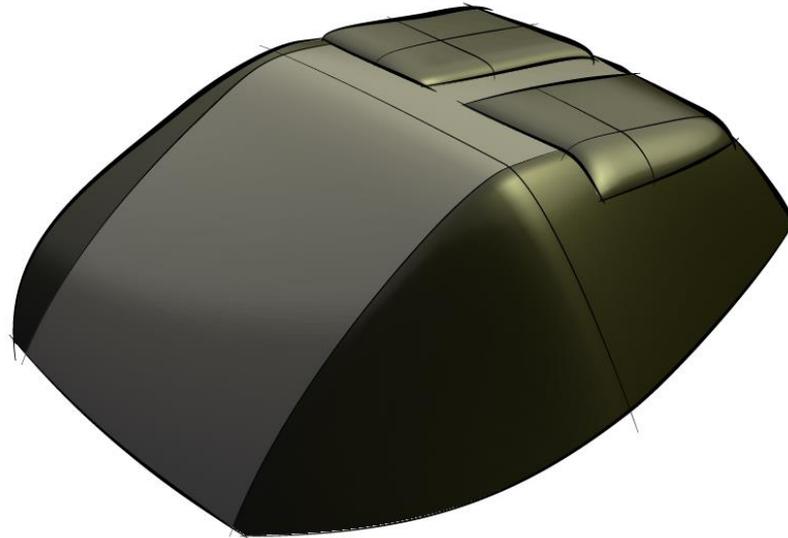
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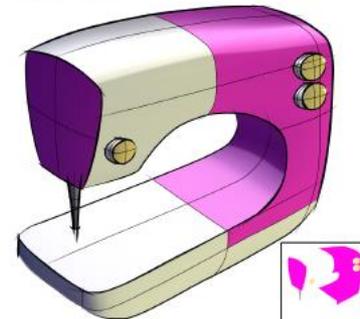
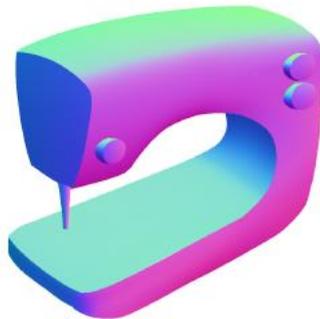
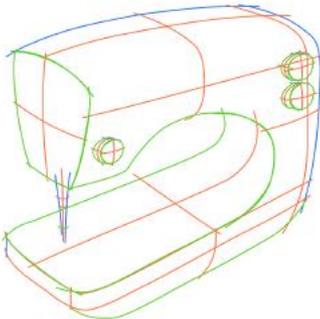
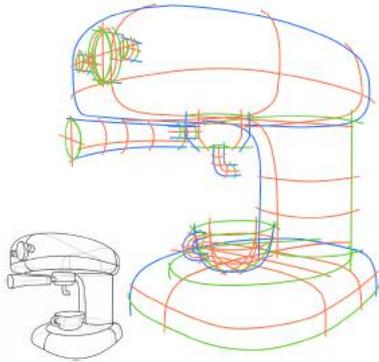
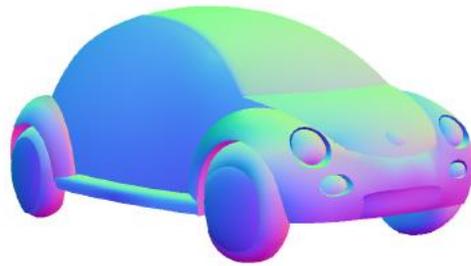
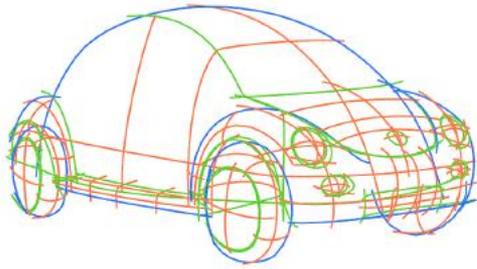


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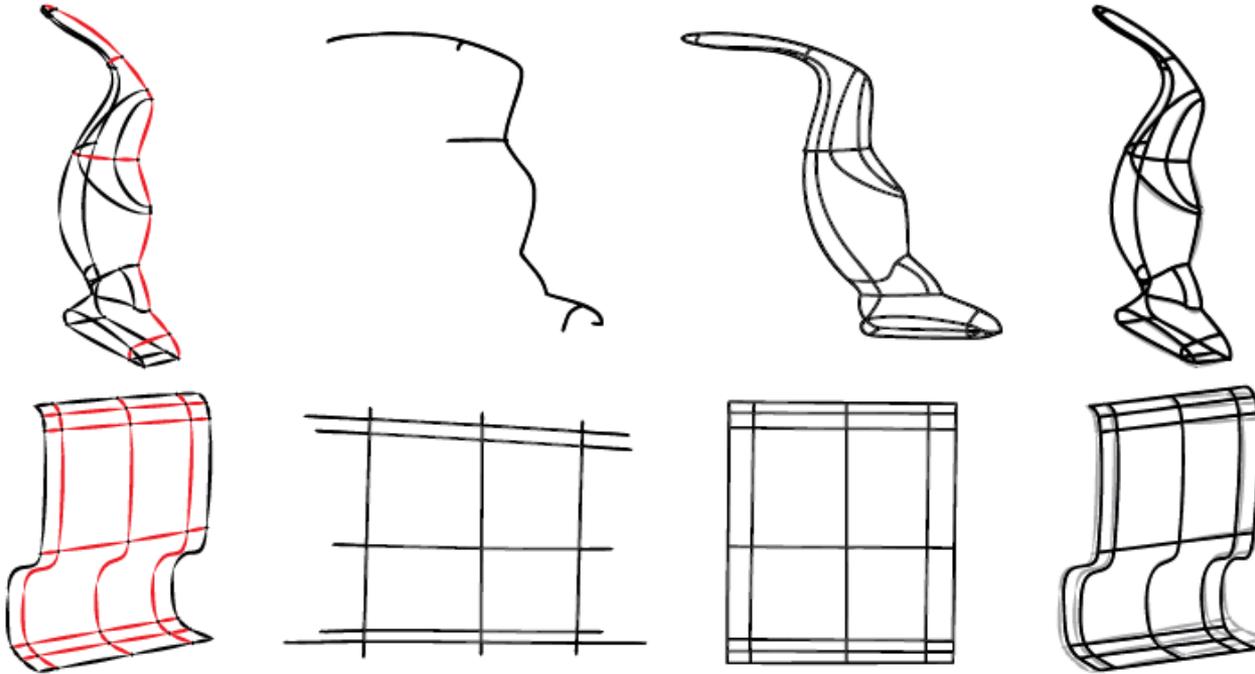
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- Shade!



CrossShade: Results



True2Form



2D sketch

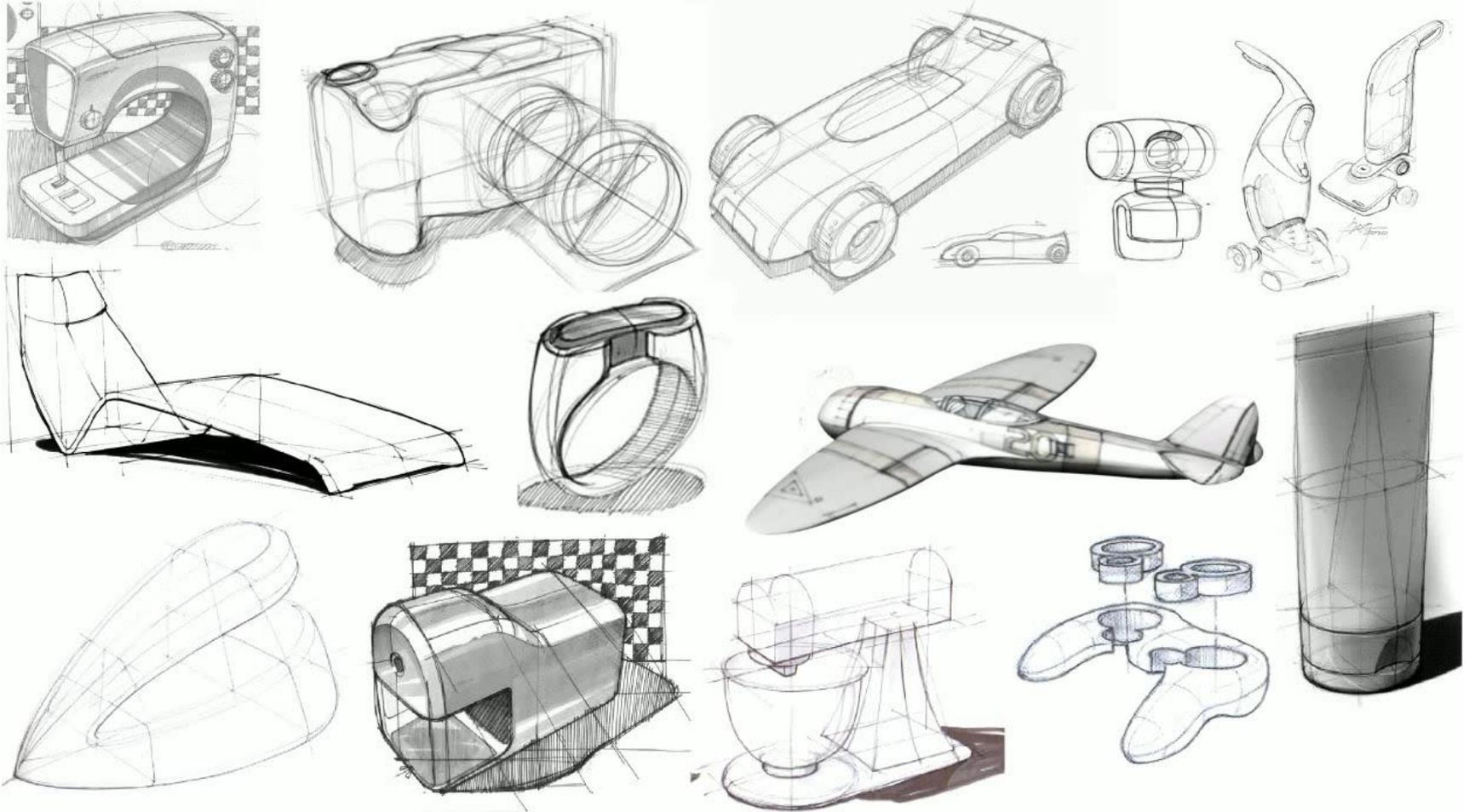
Crossshade
side view 3D

True2Form
side view 3D

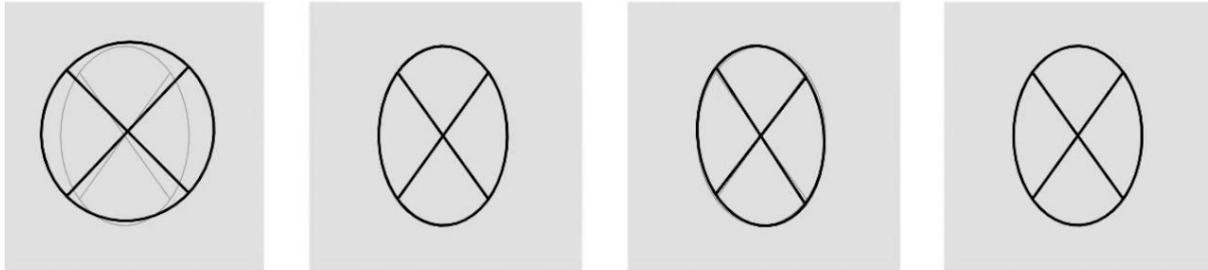
True2Form
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[**Xu, Chang, Bousseau, McCrae, Sheffer, Singh**, True2Form: 3D curve networks from 2D sketches via selective regularization. *SIGGRAPH 2014*]

True2Form: fidelity and regularity

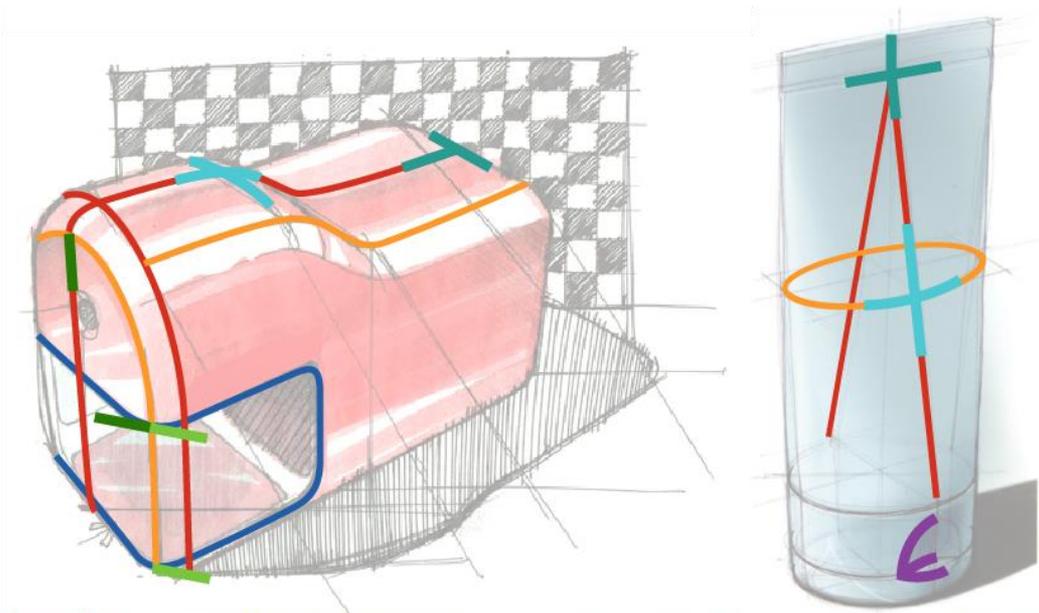


True2Form: Sketch Fidelity



- Projection accuracy
- Minimal variation
- Minimal foreshortening

True2Form: Shape Regularity



Symmetry
Non-symmetry

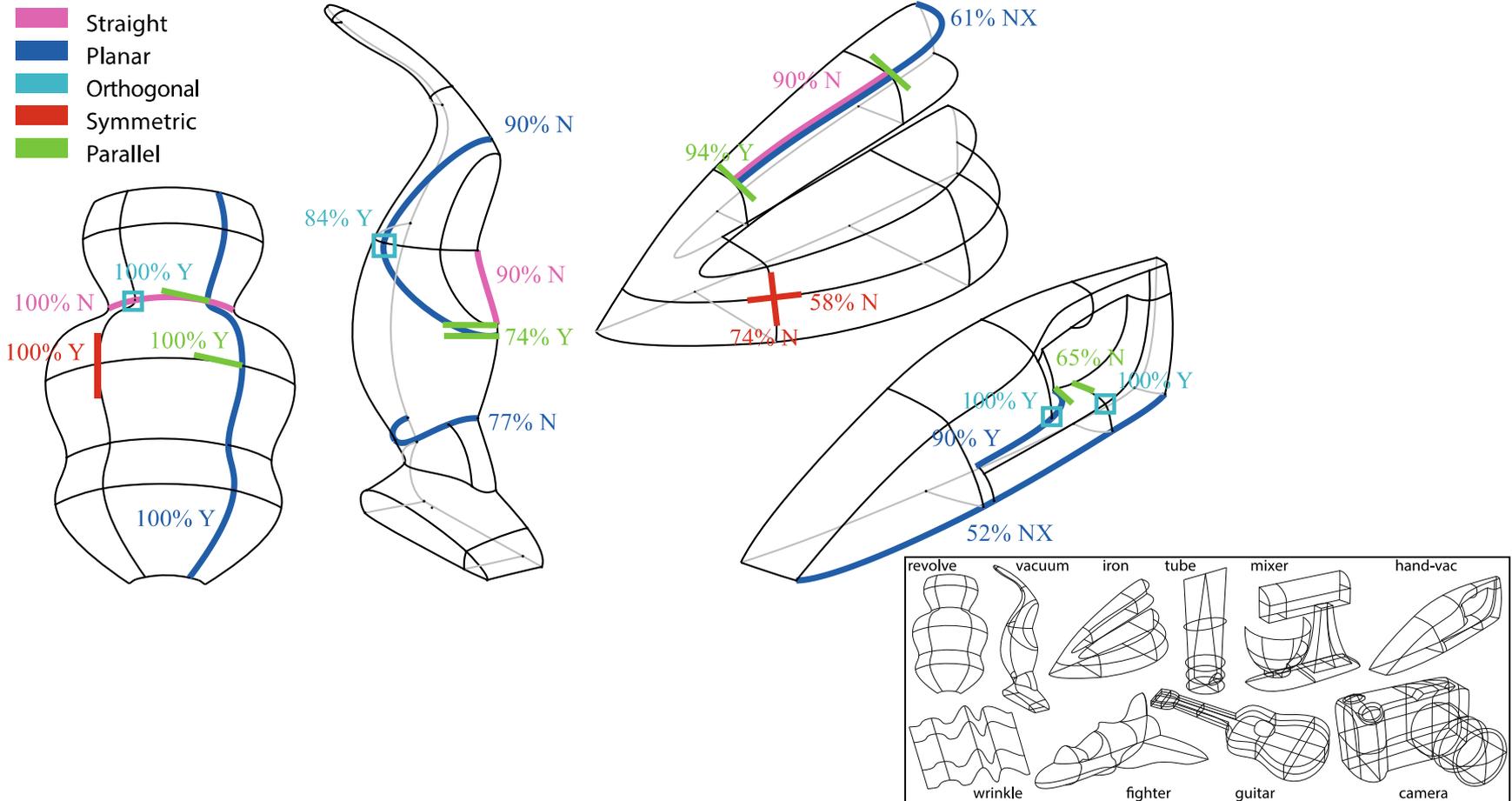
Parallel tangents
Non-parallel tangents

Smooth orthogonal
Non-smooth orthogonal

Non-planar
Non-orthogonal

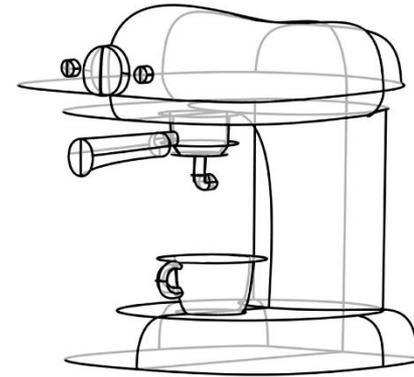
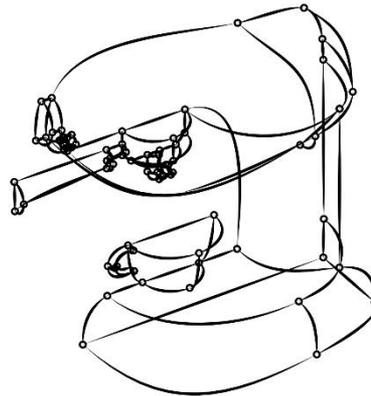
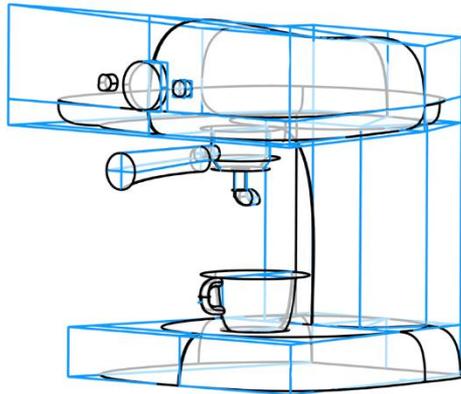
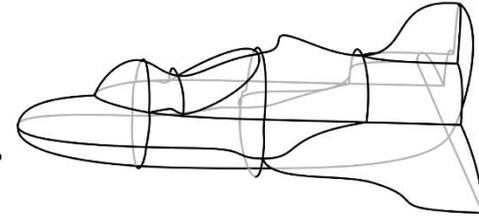
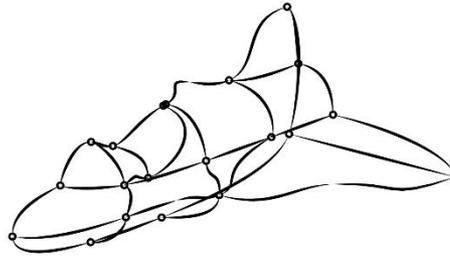
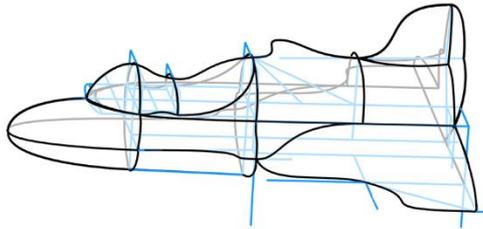
- Parallel
- Orthogonal
- Symmetry
- Curve Planarity

True2Form: perceptual validation



- Humans consistently perceive 3D parallelism, symmetry, orthogonality, linearity and planarity cues in 2D sketches.
- Human perception matches our algorithm, when consistent.

True2Form vs. Analytic Drawing

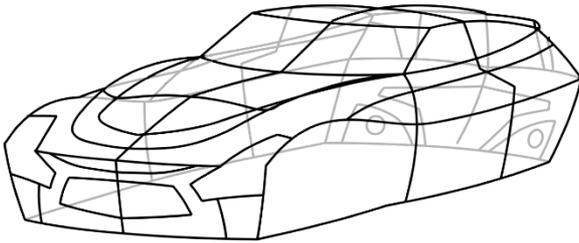


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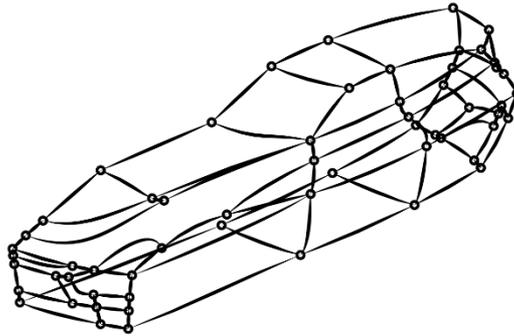
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(b) Our reconstruction

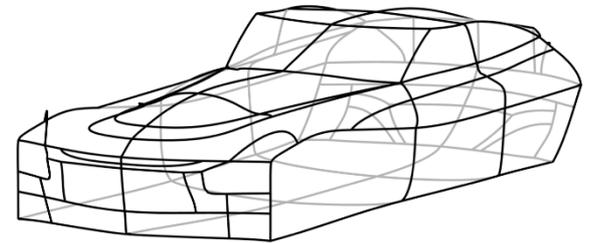
True2Form vs. ILoveSketch



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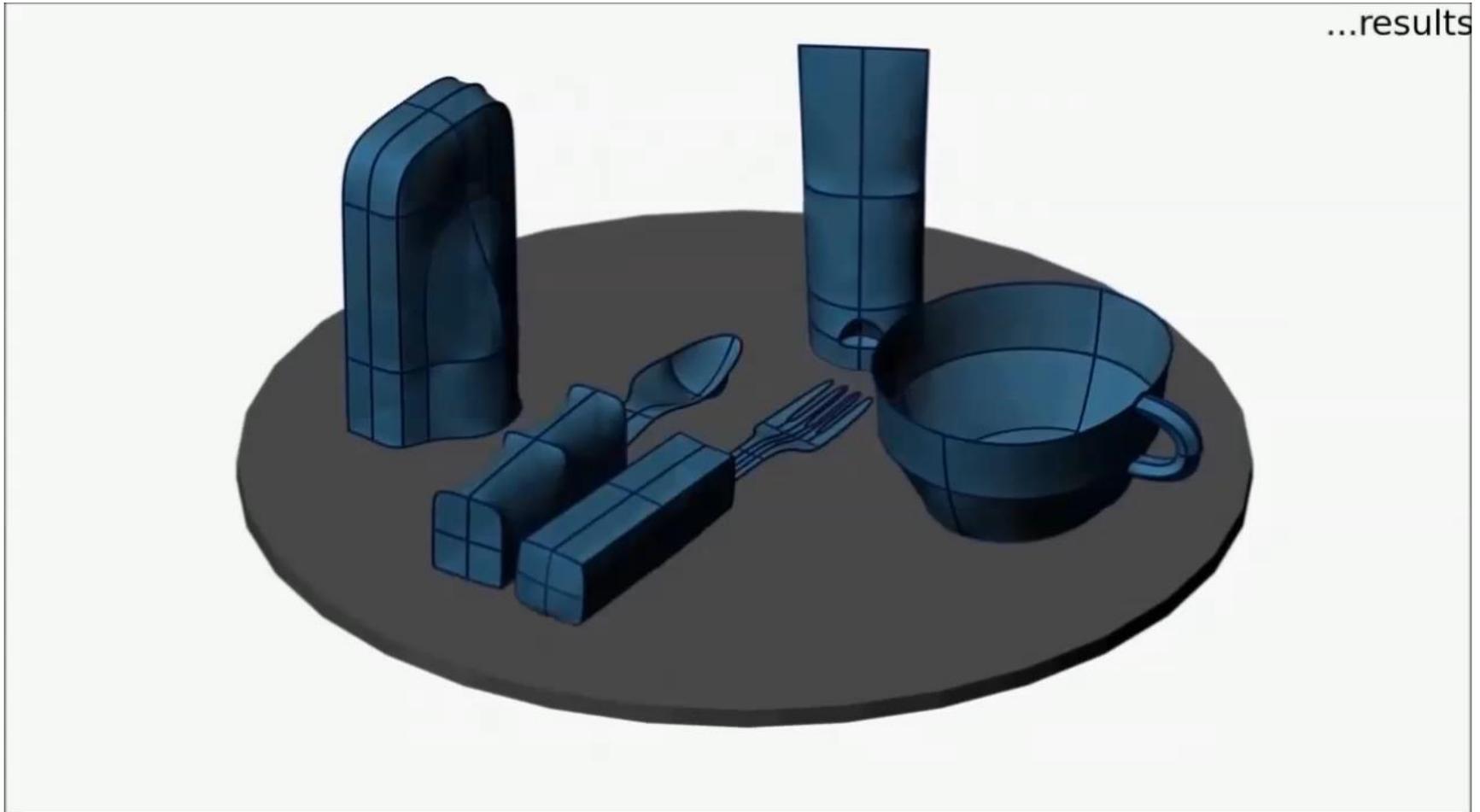


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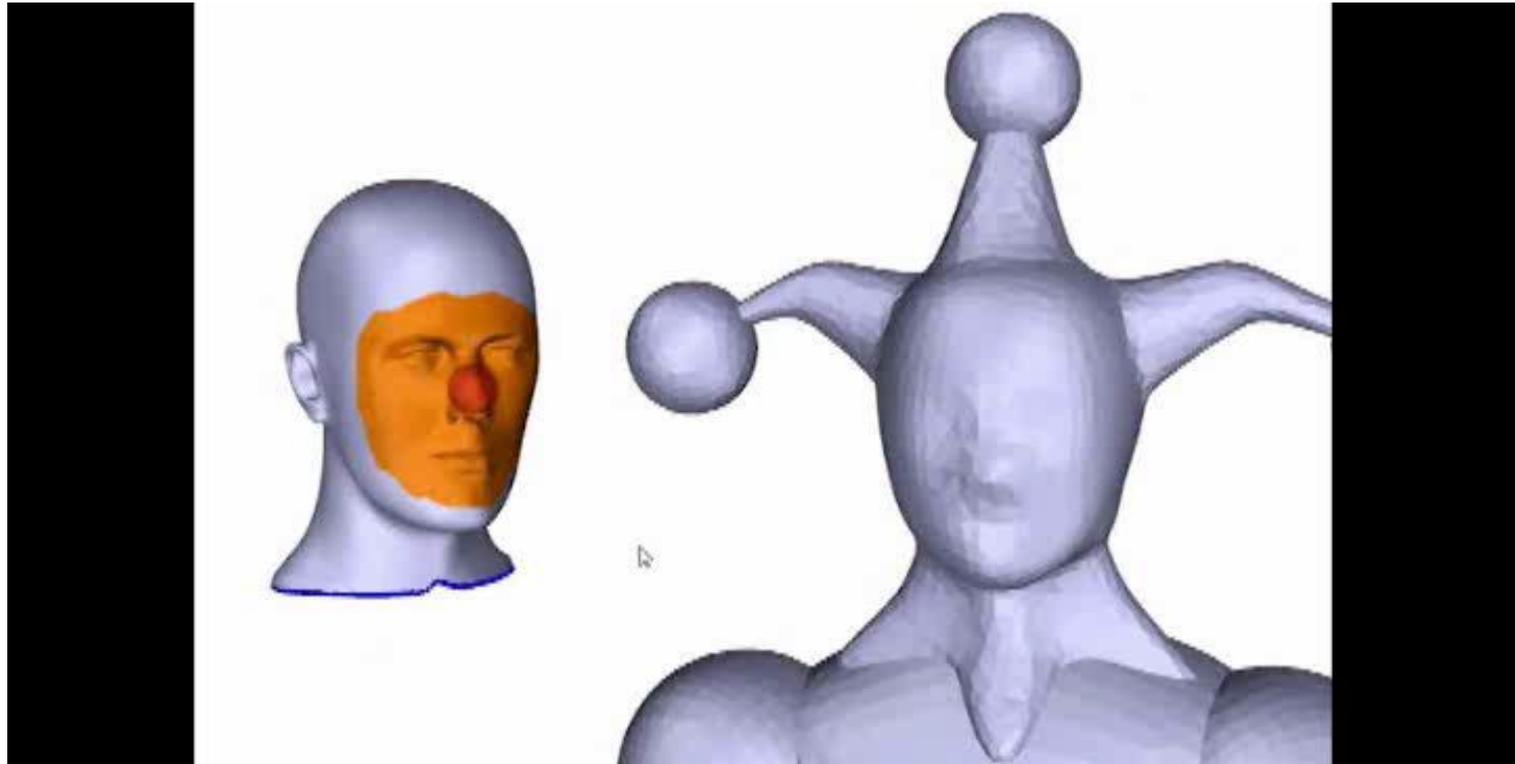
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Conceptual Design

The transformation of a creative vision into a digital 3D model, that is easy to **refine and reuse.**

MeshMixer

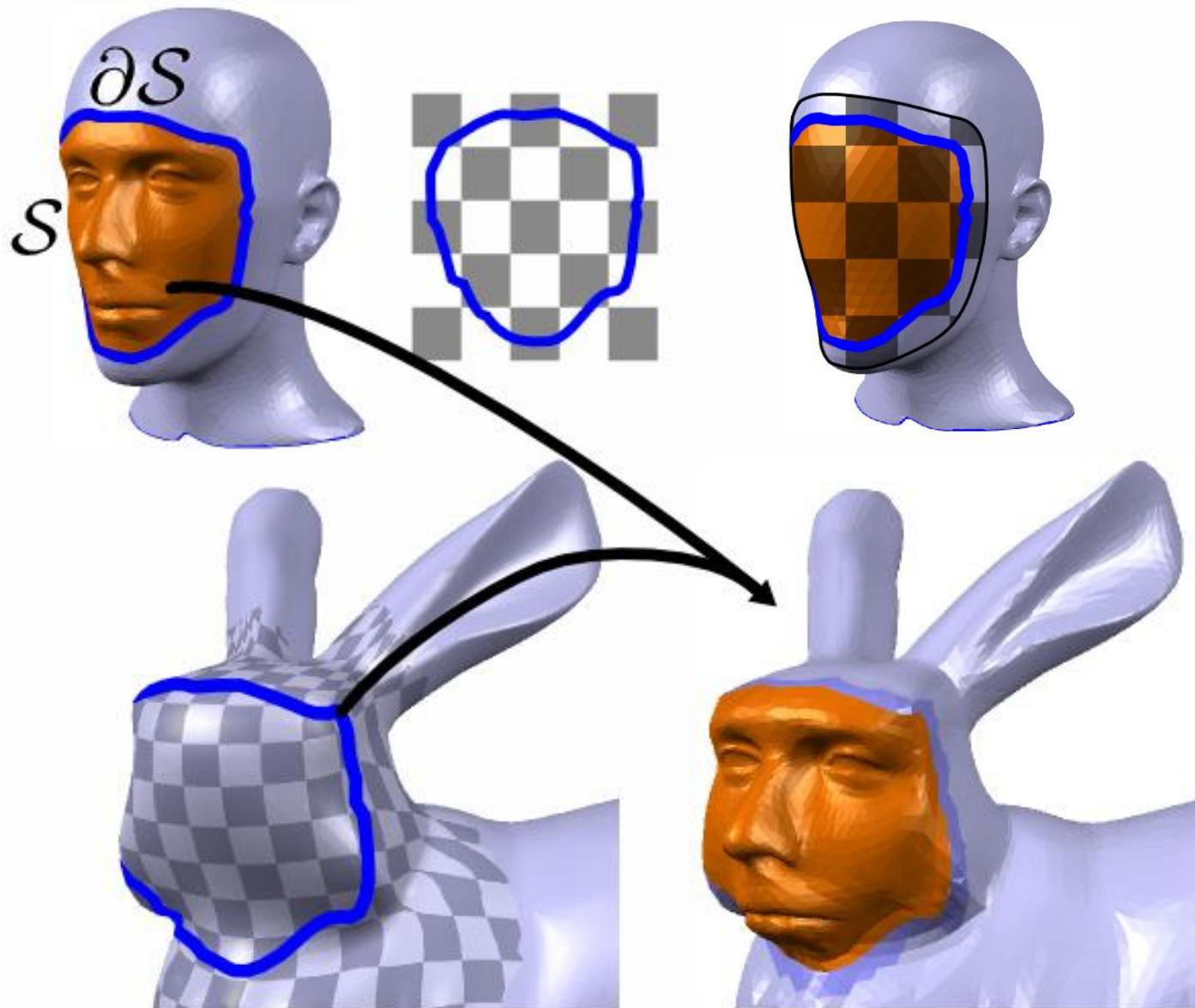


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Parametric boundary based deformation



Key Messages

- Centuries of visual experience captured in artistic practice.
- We have no VIDEO OUT and a **biased** VIDEO IN.
- Regularization: priors, procedural, constraints.
- Principled approaches to art+perception focused design:
 - Understand artistic and perceptual insights.
 - Model or statistically fit artist and viewer data.
 - Leave user ultimate creative control.
 - Validate results perceptually.
- Better tools = Better VIDEO OUT
Better tools != Better content

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