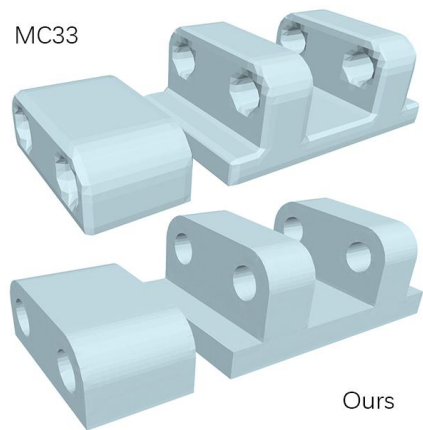


# Neural Mesh Reconstruction

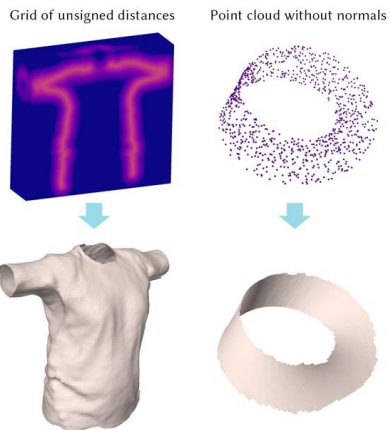
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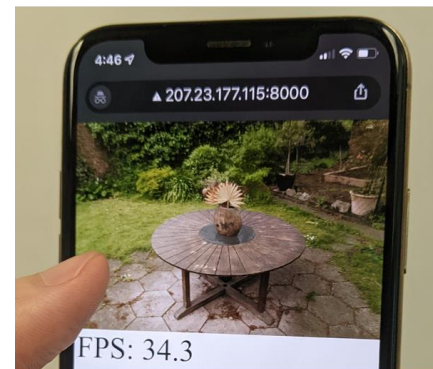
# Overview



**Neural Marching Cubes**  
(SIGGRAPH Asia 2021)



**Neural Dual Contouring**  
(SIGGRAPH 2022)



**MobileNeRF**  
(Arxiv 2022)

# The inspiration

Neural implicit field:

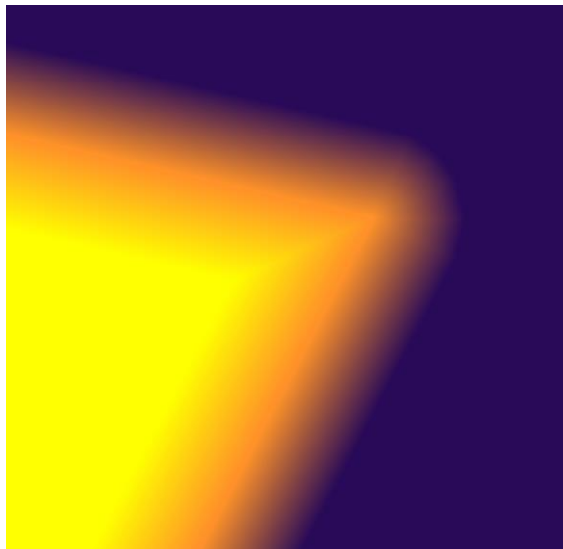
The output shape is always smooth.

Reasons:

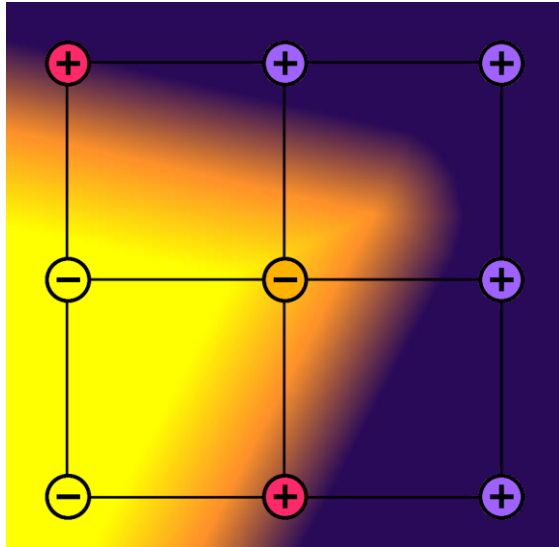
1. Properties of MLPs.
2. Marching Cubes cannot reconstruct sharp features.



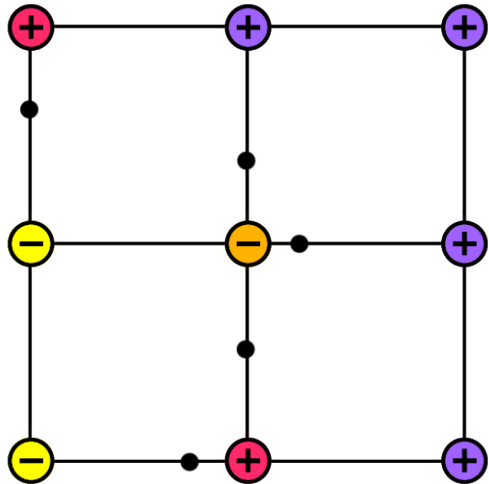
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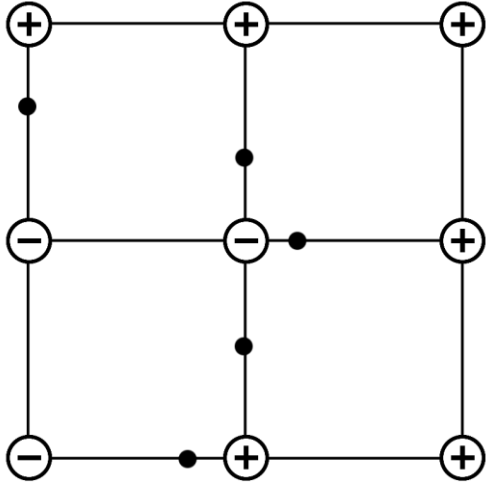
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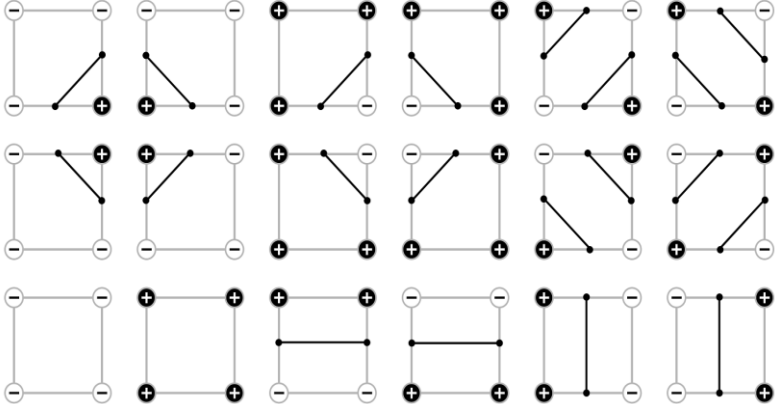


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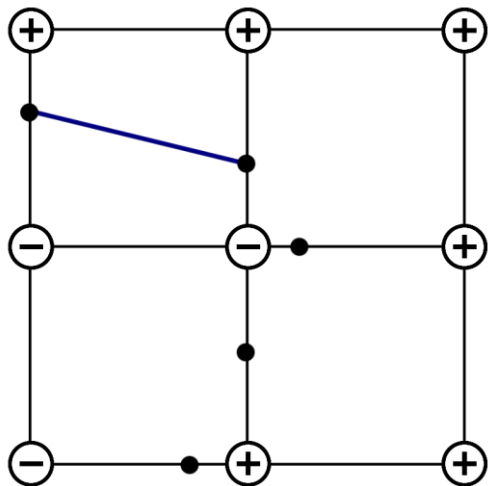


Look-up  
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(a) The face tessellations of Marching Cubes

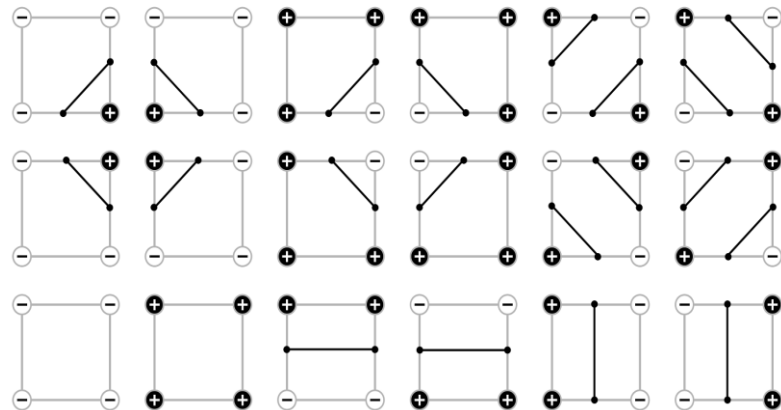


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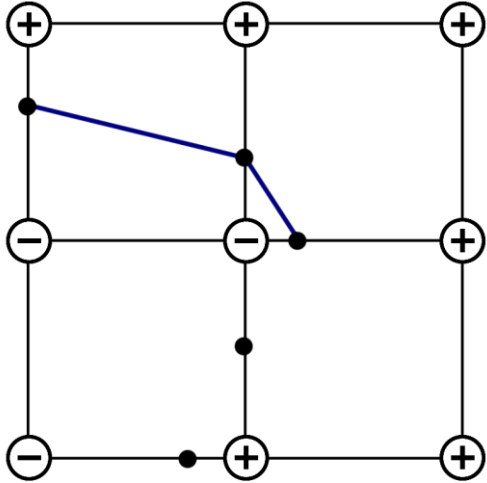
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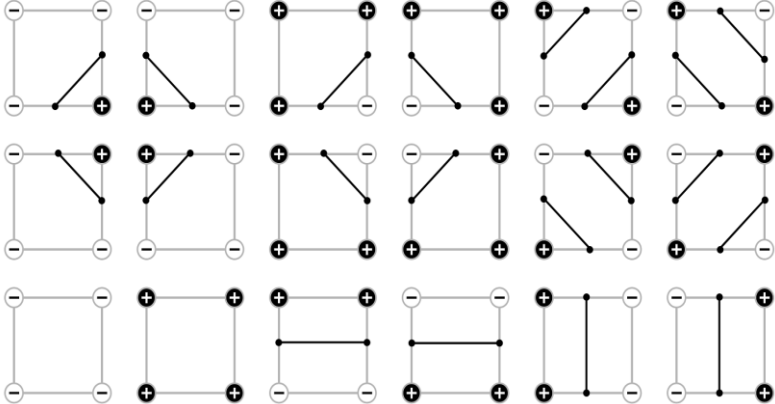


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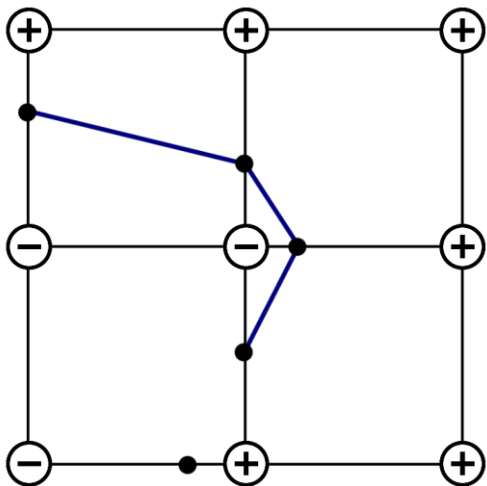


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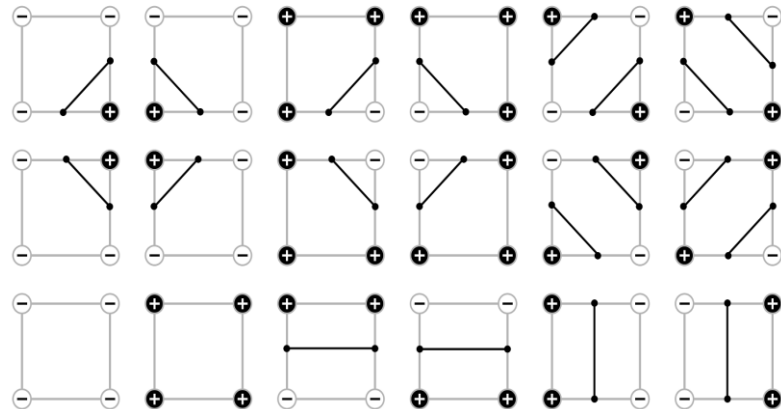


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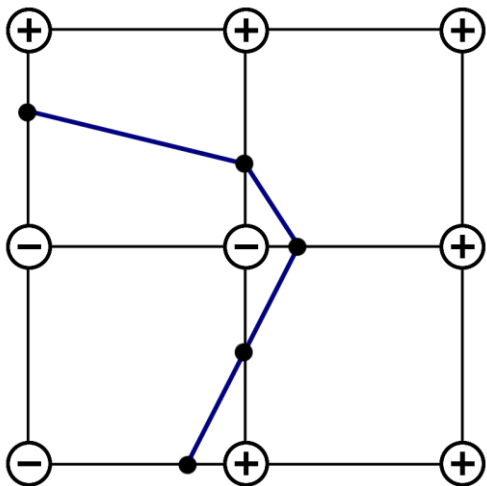


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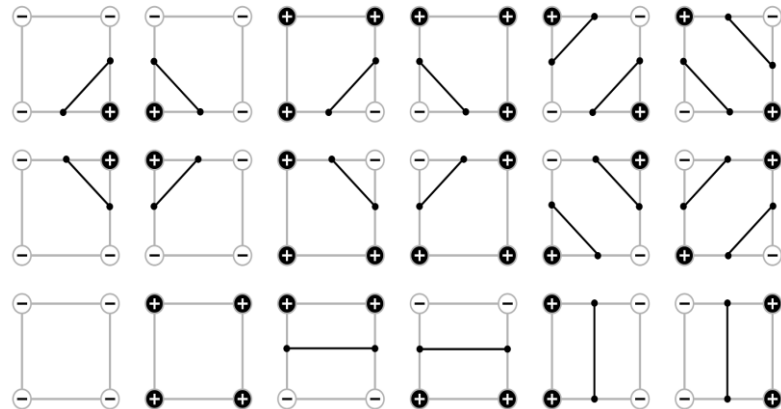


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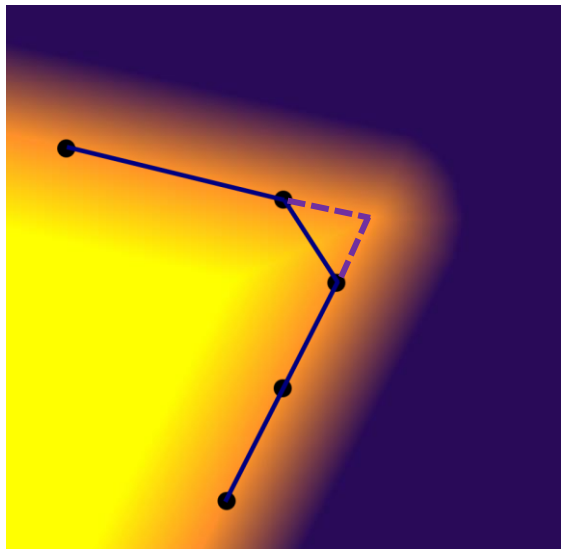


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# Marching Cubes



# The inspiration

Marching Cubes cannot reconstruct sharp features.

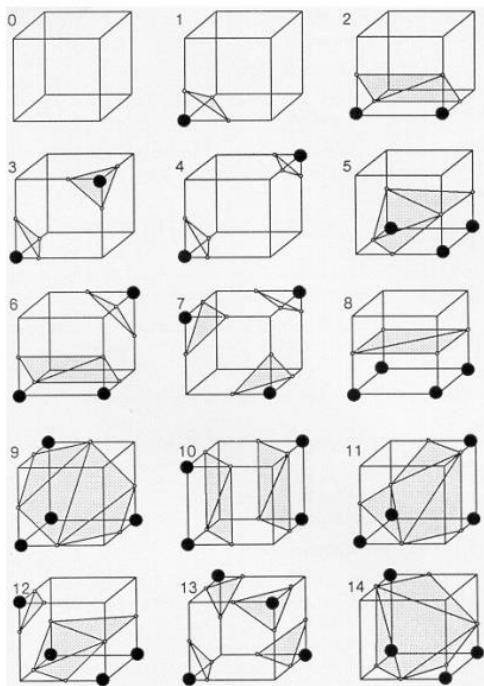
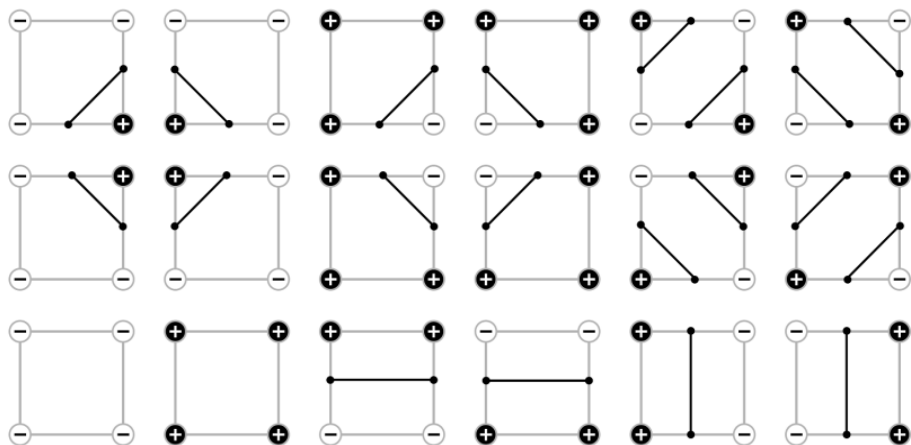


Figure 3. Triangulated Cubes.



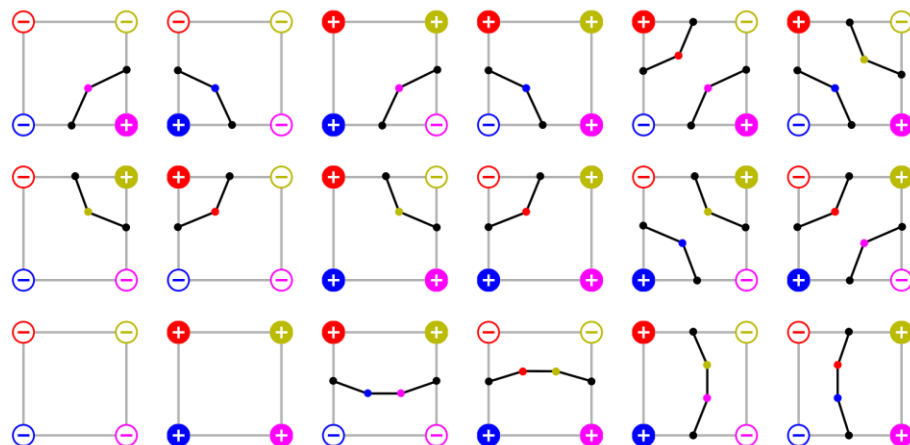
# The inspiration

(a) The face tessellations of Marching Cubes



1. The MC templates cannot represent sharp features.

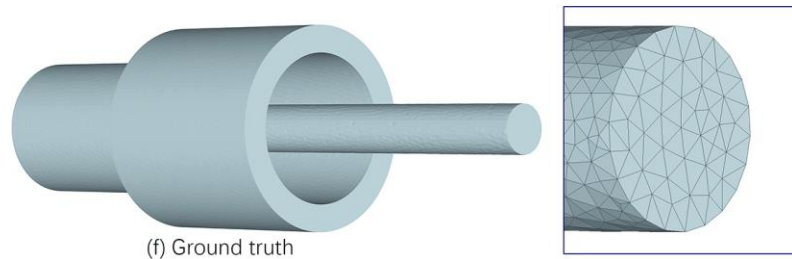
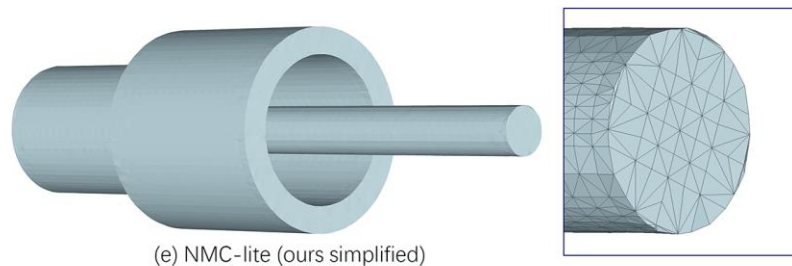
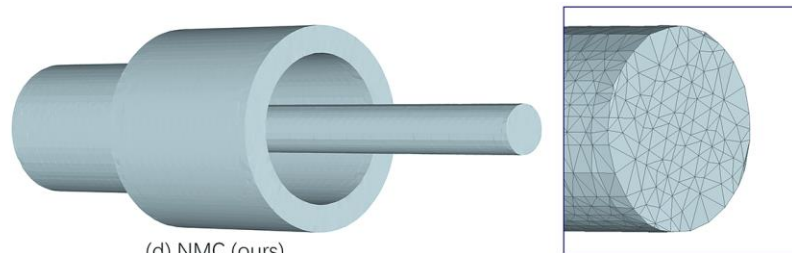
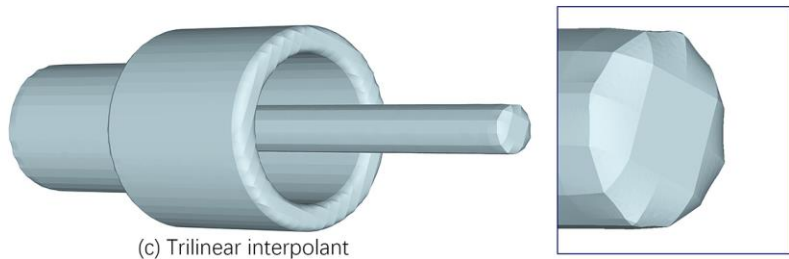
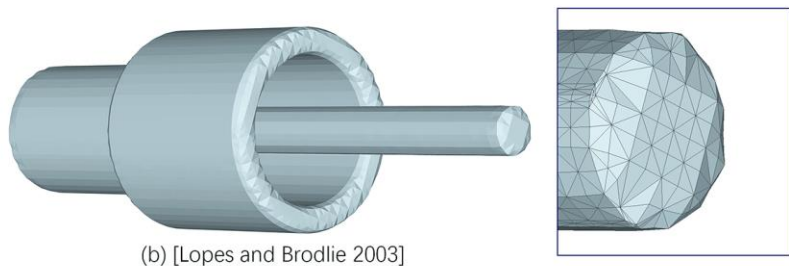
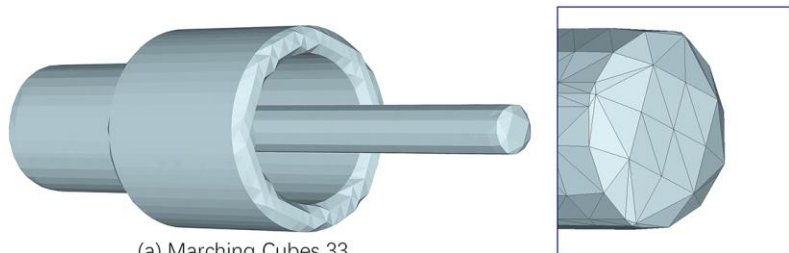
(b) Our face tessellations



2. Additional vertices have to be added to represent sharp features. Now where to put those vertices?

# Neural Marching Cubes

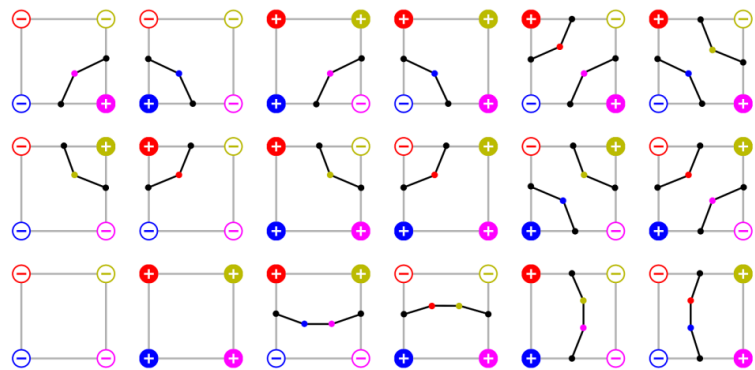
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# Summary of Neural Marching Cubes

## 1. Design templates.

(b) Our face tessellations

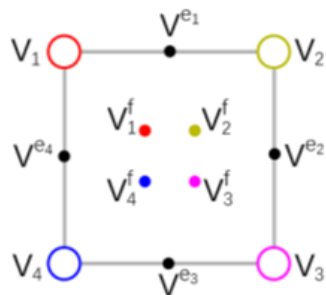
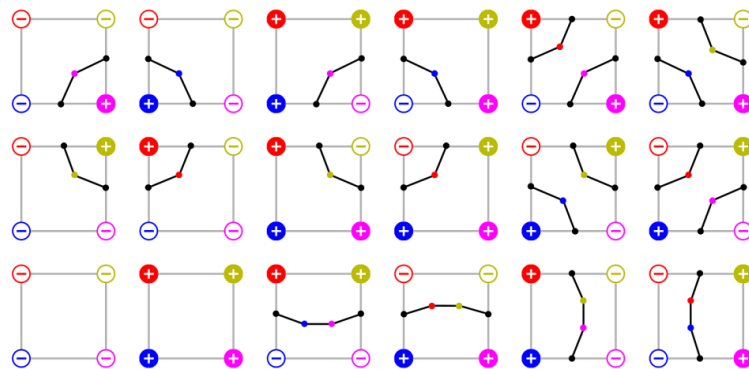




# Summary of Neural Marching Cubes

1. Design templates.
2. Parameterize templates.

(b) Our face tessellations

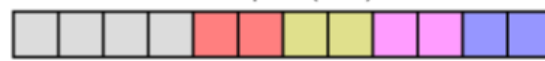


Boolean part (5d)



The signs of corner vertices  $V_1 \sim V_4$

Float part (12d)



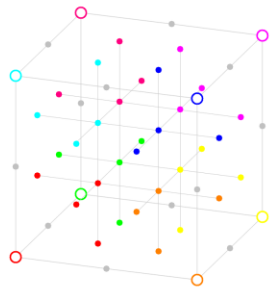
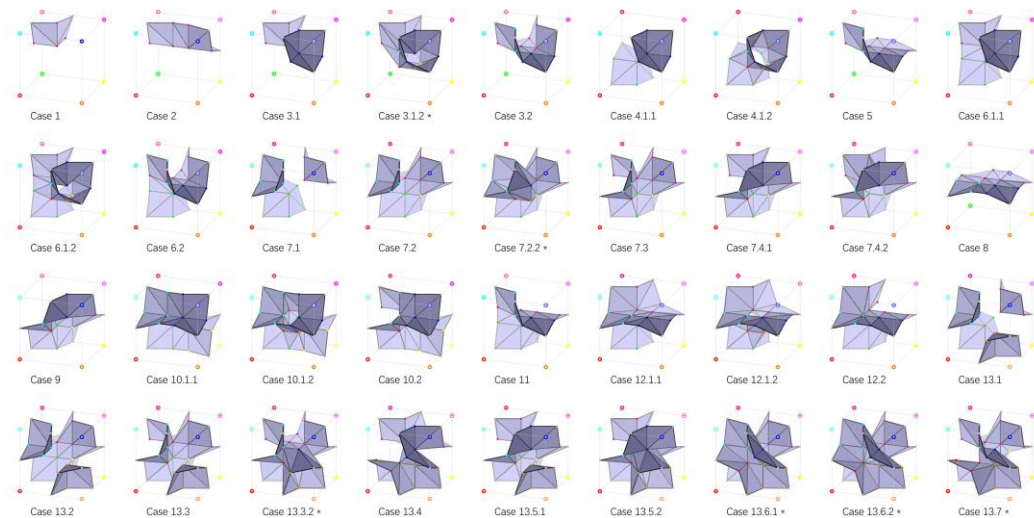
The coordinates of edge vertices  $V^{e_1} \sim V^{e_4}$

The coordinates of face vertices  $V_1^f \sim V_4^f$

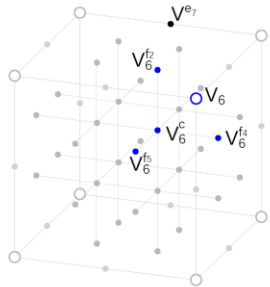
Indicating whether positive or negative vertices connect,



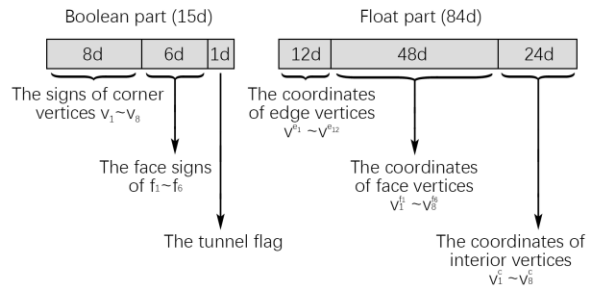
# Summary of Neural Marching Cubes



(a) All added vertices in a cube

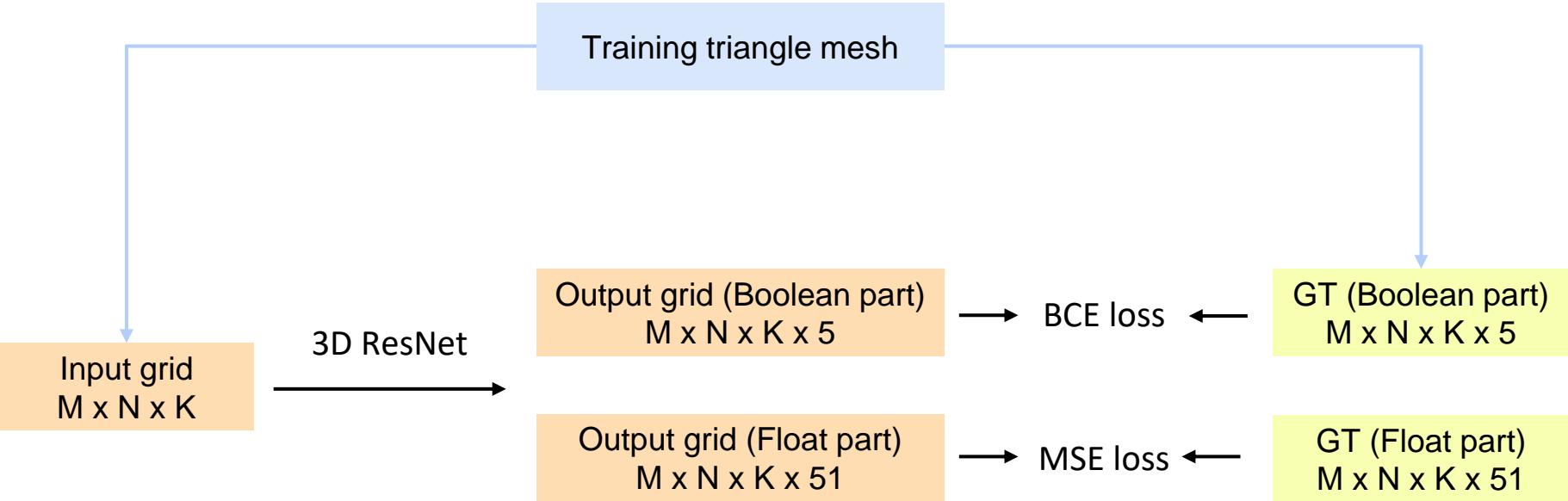


(b) all vertices corresponding to  $v_6$  and an edge vertex on  $e_7$



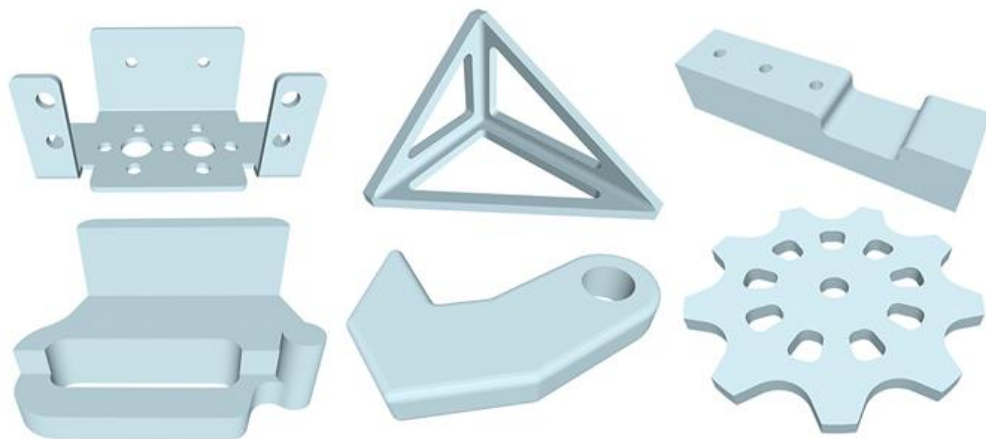
(c) Our representation to store each cube

# Network and loss functions



# Datasets

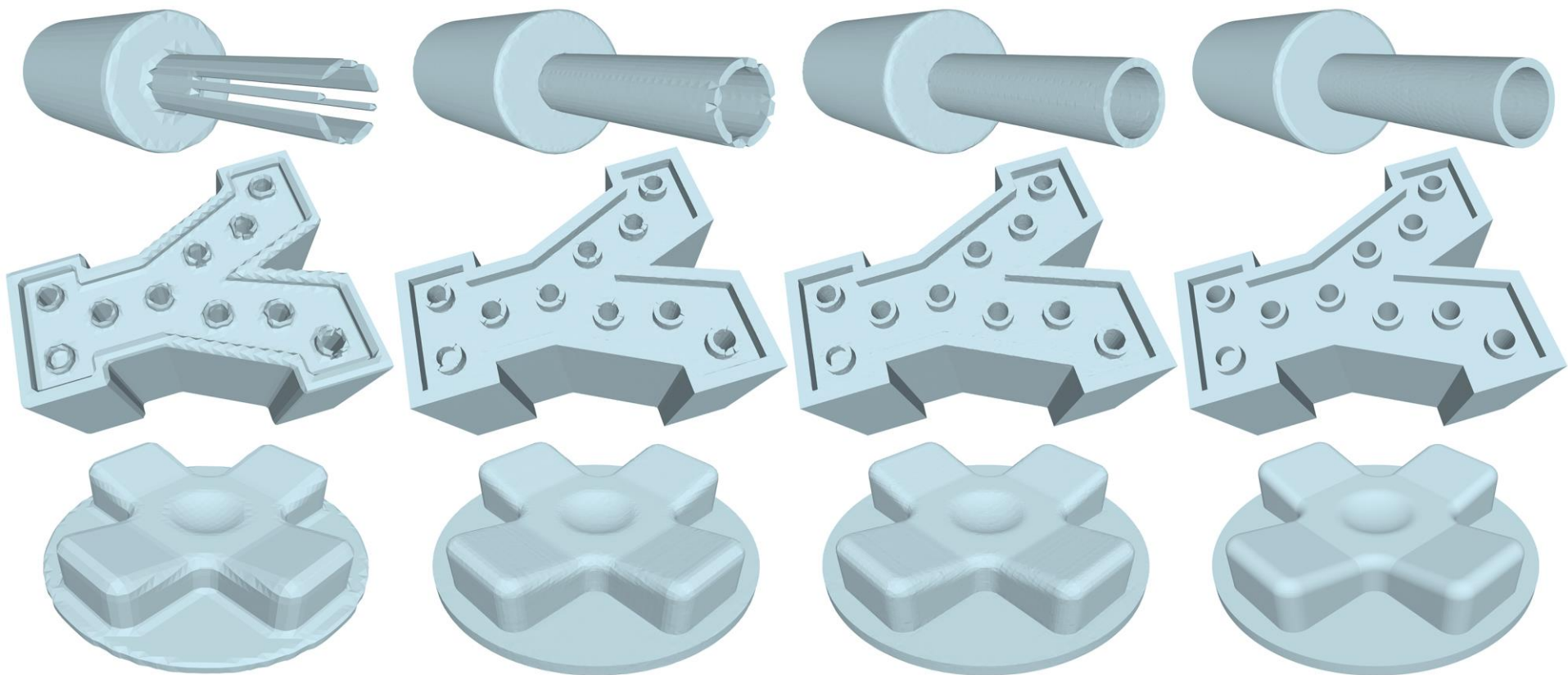
Training on:  
CAD shapes from the ABC dataset.



Testing on:  
ABC, Thingi10k, FAUST.

- [3] ABC: a big CAD model dataset for geometric deep learning. Sebastian Koch et al. CVPR, 2019.
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# Reconstruction from grids of signed distances



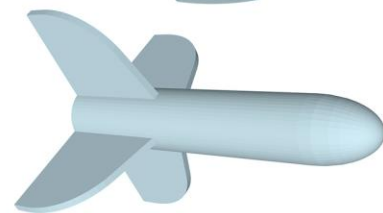
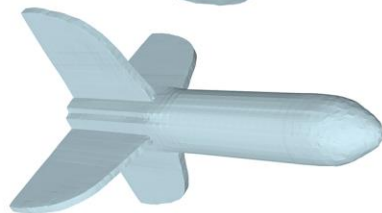
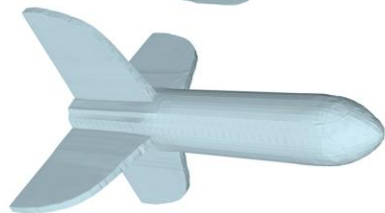
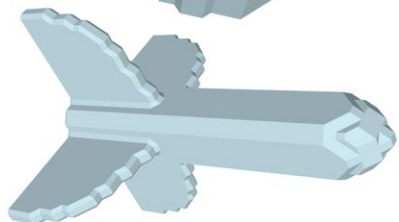
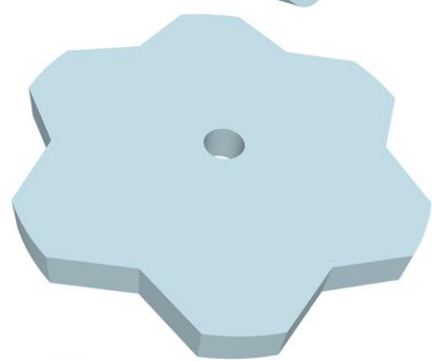
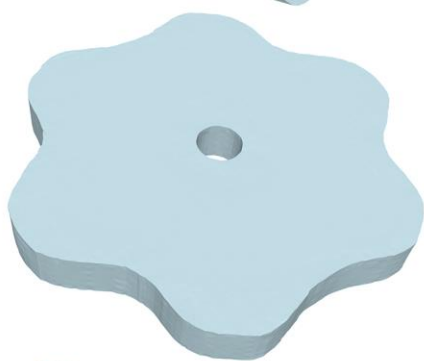
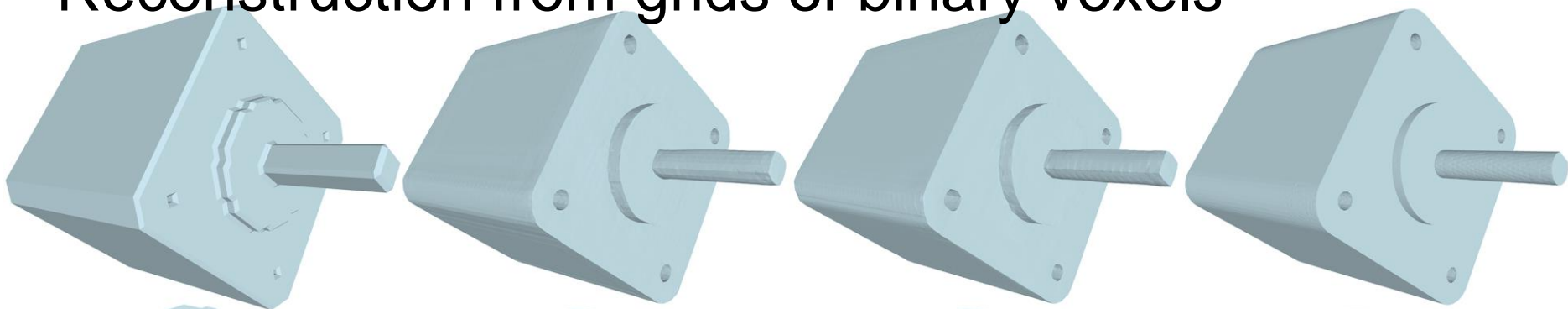
(a) Marching Cubes 33

(c) NMC-lite

(d) NMC

(e) Ground truth

# Reconstruction from grids of binary voxels



(a) Marching Cubes 33

(c) NMC-lite

(d) NMC

(e) Ground truth

# Organic shapes - FAUST





Table 1. Quantitative comparison results on ABC test set with SDF input.

64 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^5$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	4.850	0.788	0.950	5.736	0.105	5,472.51	10,953.67
Lopes2003	4.803	0.798	0.958	6.841	0.100	21,979.95	43,892.05
Trilinear	4.733	0.803	0.960	7.275	0.098	-	-
NMC-lite	4.341	<b>0.877</b>	<b>0.975</b>	<b>0.382</b>	<b>0.759</b>	22,710.56	43,876.87
NMC	<b>4.323</b>	<b>0.877</b>	<b>0.975</b>	0.390	0.758	42,766.54	85,543.83
32 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^4$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	5.239	0.570	0.900	5.504	0.048	1,297.38	2,595.47
Lopes2003	5.343	0.577	0.911	6.213	0.047	5,215.12	10,397.68
Trilinear	5.161	0.585	0.915	7.217	0.045	-	-
NMC-lite	3.922	0.823	<b>0.950</b>	<b>0.532</b>	0.631	5,464.48	10,389.43
NMC	<b>3.919</b>	<b>0.824</b>	0.949	0.598	<b>0.634</b>	9,728.20	19,460.09

Table 3. Quantitative comparison results on Thingi10K with SDF inputs.

64 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^5$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	3.195	0.795	0.945	3.763	0.099	5,517.51	11,044.35
Lopes2003	3.084	0.805	0.953	4.567	0.087	22,224.23	44,135.98
Trilinear	3.076	0.811	0.956	5.211	0.084	-	-
NMC-lite	<b>2.470</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>0.972</b>	0.330	<b>0.722</b>	22,991.80	44,109.17
NMC	2.477	<b>0.893</b>	<b>0.972</b>	<b>0.312</b>	<b>0.722</b>	40,951.73	81,910.41
32 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^4$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	10.519	0.540	0.882	4.046	0.040	1,284.98	2,569.73
Lopes2003	10.473	0.547	0.893	4.596	0.038	5,163.28	10,281.15
Trilinear	10.431	0.555	0.897	5.180	0.037	-	-
NMC-lite	<b>8.425</b>	0.807	<b>0.935</b>	0.600	<b>0.542</b>	5,423.92	10,263.13
NMC	8.454	<b>0.808</b>	0.933	<b>0.596</b>	0.539	9,161.94	18,327.88

Table 2. Quantitative comparisons on ABC test set with binary voxel input.

64 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^5$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	26.860	0.085	0.921	11.196	0.018	5,826.08	11,655.52
Lopes2003	26.829	0.084	0.921	14.601	0.017	23,302.73	46,608.90
Trilinear	26.826	0.084	0.921	14.866	0.017	-	-
NMC-lite	<b>9.302</b>	<b>0.443</b>	0.930	0.559	<b>0.365</b>	22,185.94	42,915.64
NMC	9.341	0.438	<b>0.931</b>	<b>0.528</b>	0.356	42,043.03	84,087.85
32 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^4$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	9.636	0.036	0.882	11.764	0.018	1,532.70	3,065.30
Lopes2003	9.632	0.036	0.883	14.723	0.017	6,130.84	12,261.58
Trilinear	9.641	0.035	<b>0.884</b>	14.820	0.017	-	-
NMC-lite	<b>5.909</b>	<b>0.237</b>	0.871	<b>0.901</b>	<b>0.112</b>	5,236.79	9,975.67
NMC	6.029	0.232	0.871	0.910	0.109	9,469.84	18,933.65

Table 4. Quantitative comparisons on Thingi10K with binary voxel inputs.

64 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^5$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	25.538	0.069	0.907	7.411	0.017	5,939.62	11,881.67
Lopes2003	25.526	0.068	0.908	11.948	0.015	23,757.44	47,517.48
Trilinear	25.510	0.068	0.909	12.598	0.015	-	-
NMC-lite	<b>6.055</b>	<b>0.495</b>	<b>0.923</b>	0.606	<b>0.328</b>	22,540.88	43,272.05
NMC	6.108	0.493	<b>0.923</b>	<b>0.602</b>	0.314	40,430.06	80,861.75
32 <sup>3</sup> resolution	CD( $\times 10^4$ ) $\downarrow$	F1 $\uparrow$	NC $\uparrow$	ECD( $\times 10^2$ ) $\downarrow$	EF1 $\uparrow$	#V	#T
MC33	9.247	0.028	0.865	8.632	0.017	1,553.93	3,107.50
Lopes2003	<b>9.246</b>	0.028	<b>0.867</b>	12.344	0.015	6,215.99	12,431.69
Trilinear	9.256	0.028	<b>0.867</b>	12.709	0.015	-	-
NMC-lite	9.998	<b>0.258</b>	0.852	<b>0.946</b>	<b>0.096</b>	5,261.82	9,971.62
NMC	10.177	0.256	0.852	0.957	0.093	9,043.78	18,083.90

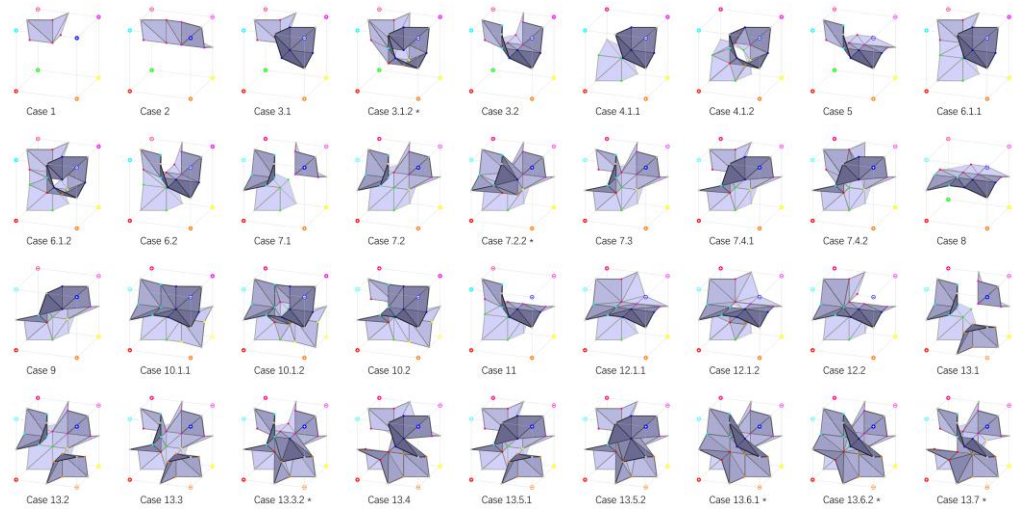


# Issues of NMC

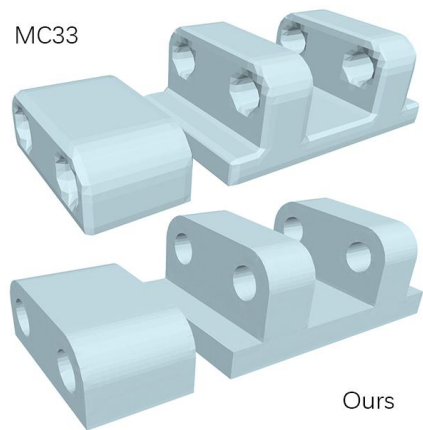
1. Complex

2. Slow

3. Producing a lot more vertices and triangles (4x or 8x) compared to MC



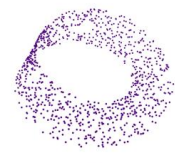
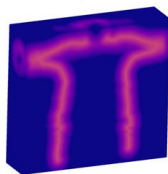
# Overview



**Neural Marching Cubes**  
(SIGGRAPH Asia 2021)



Grid of unsigned distances      Point cloud without normals

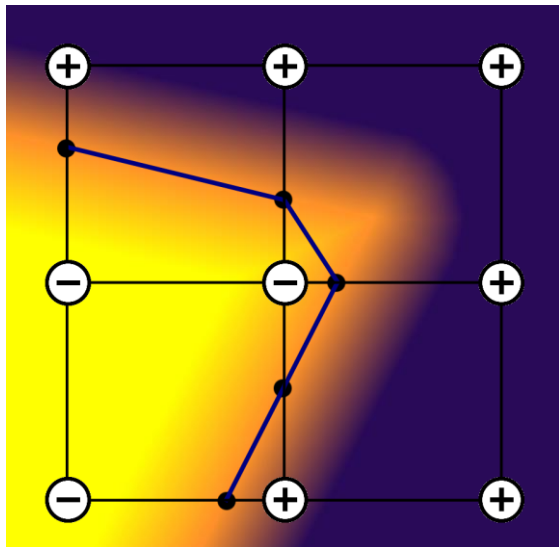


**Neural Dual Contouring**  
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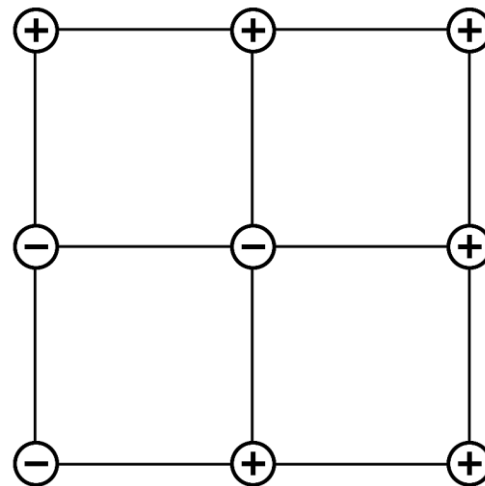


**MobileNeRF**  
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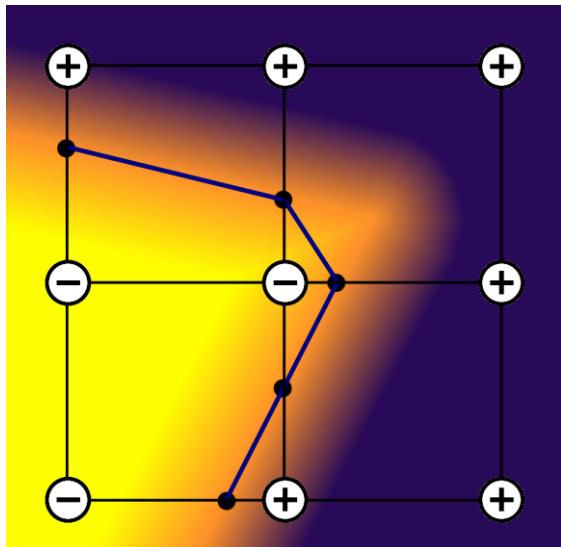
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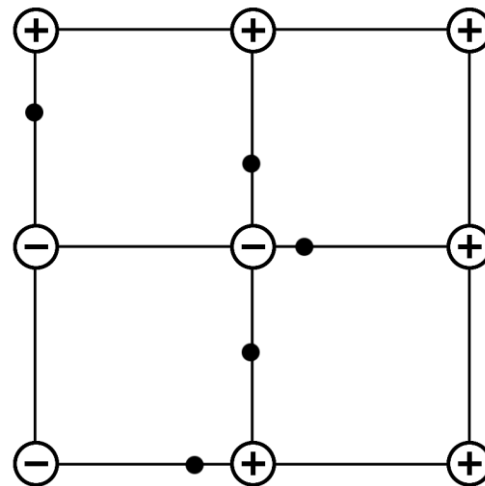
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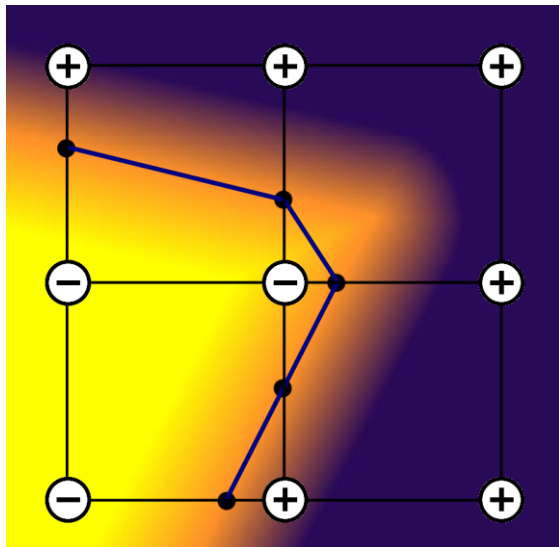
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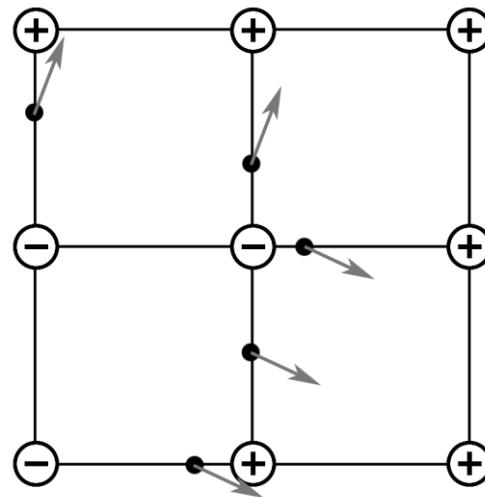
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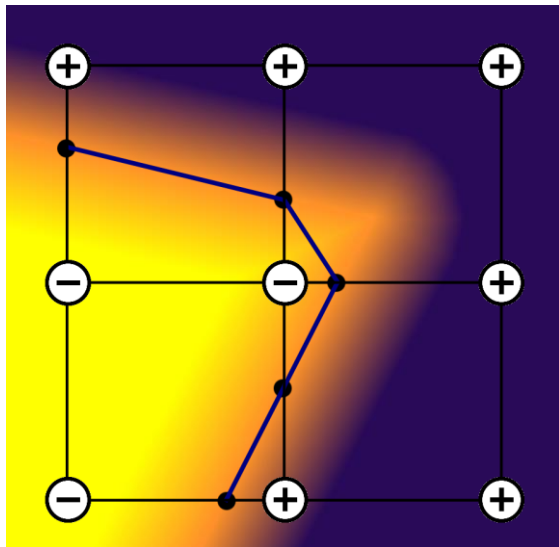
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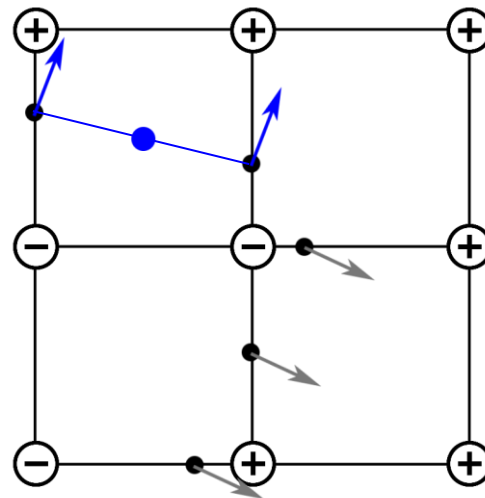
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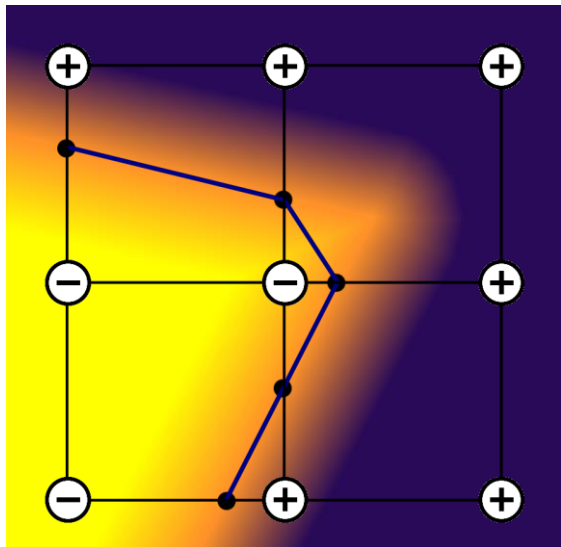
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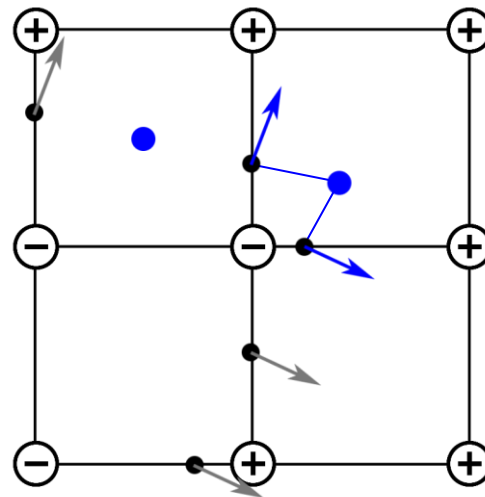
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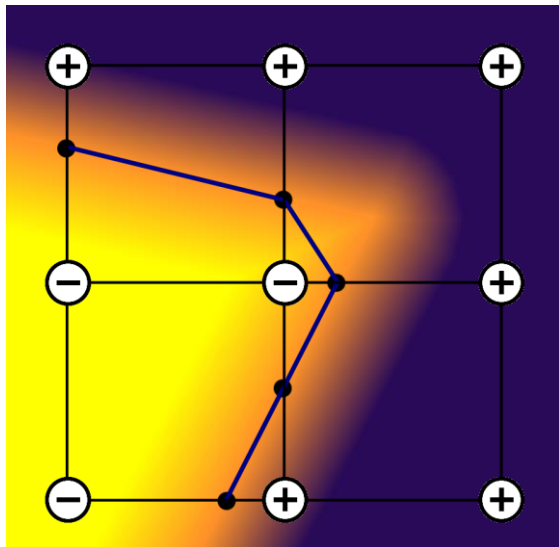
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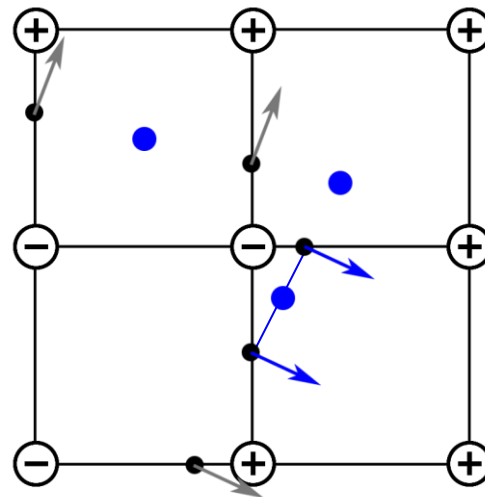
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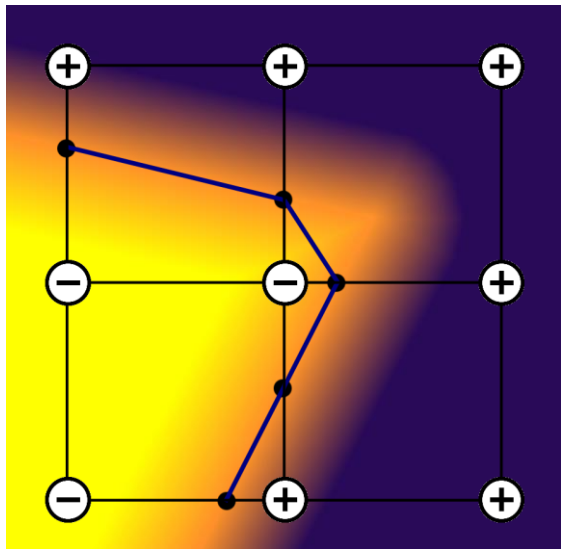


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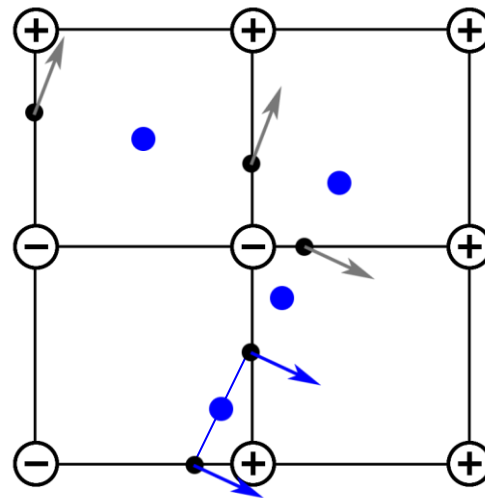




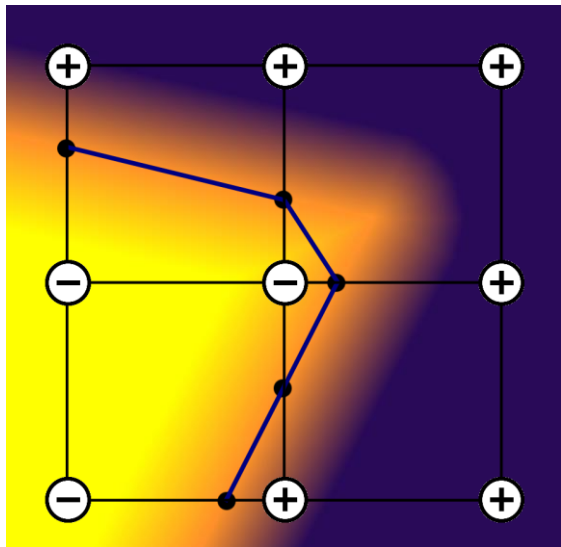
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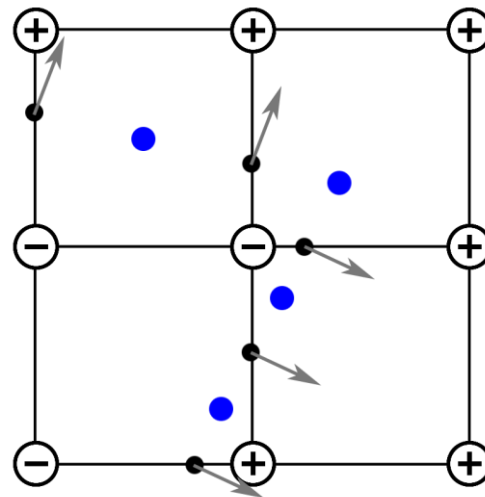
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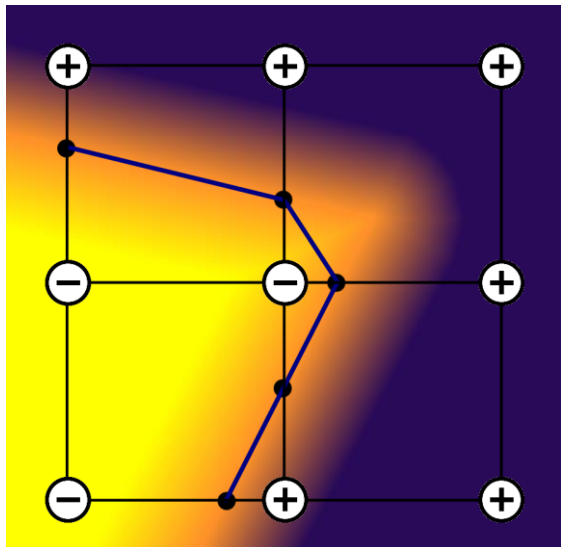
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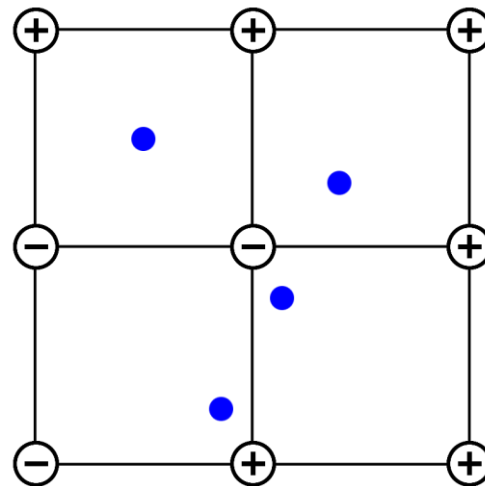
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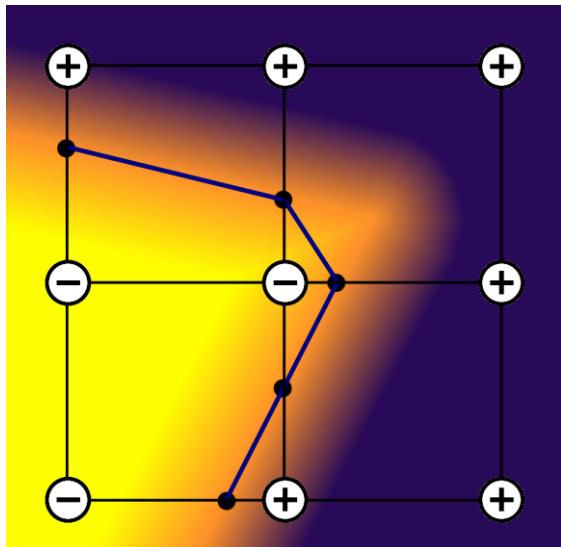
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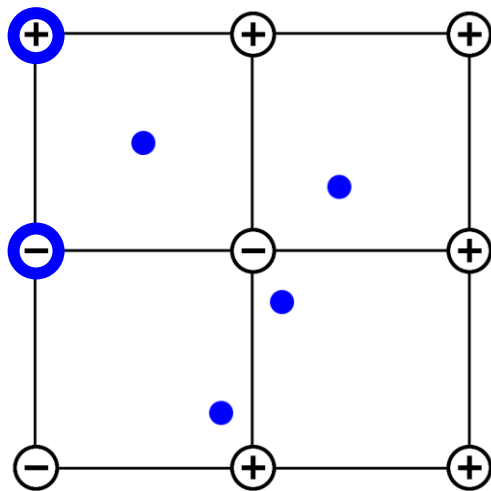
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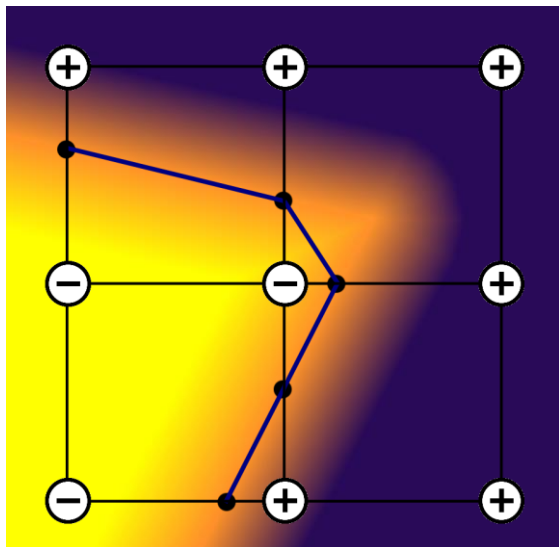
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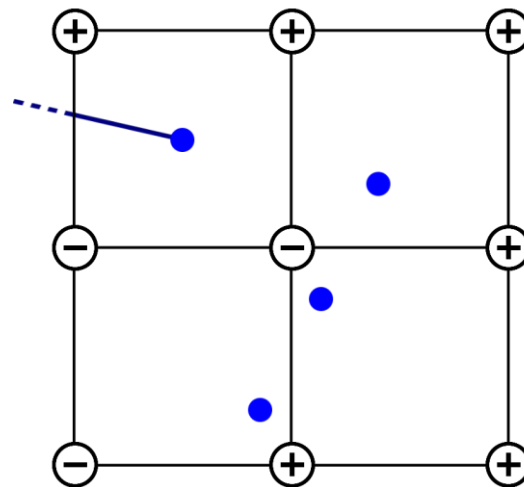
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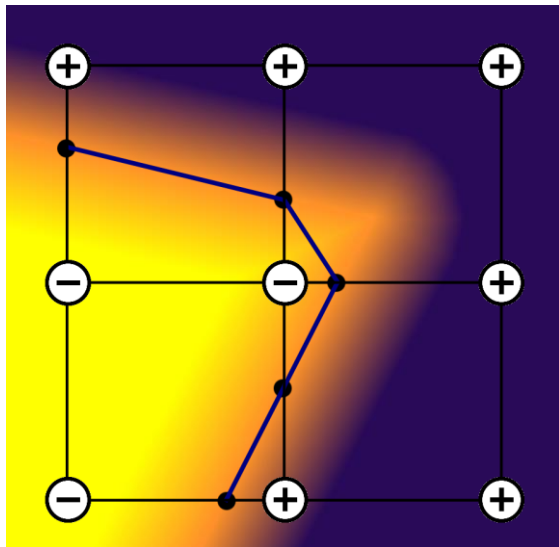
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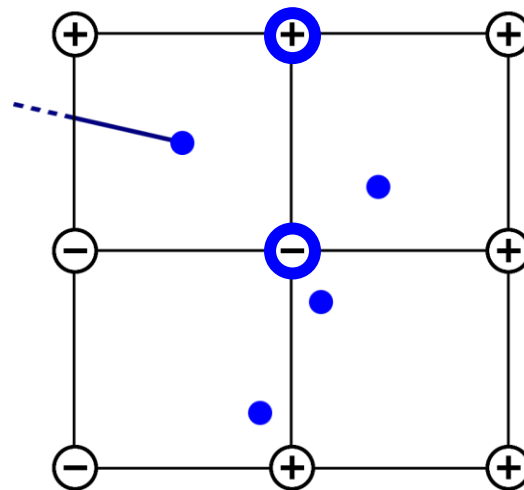
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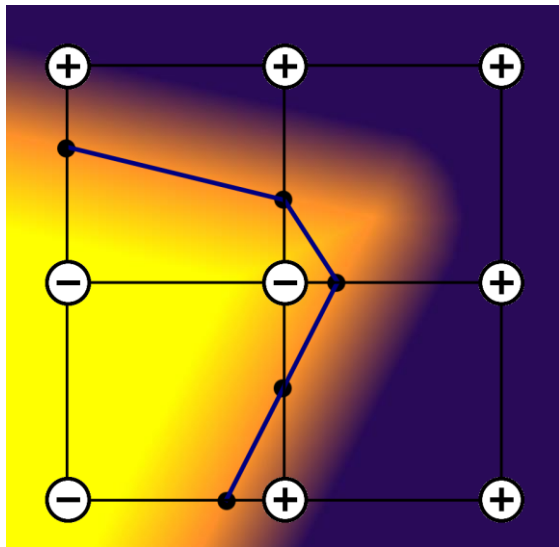
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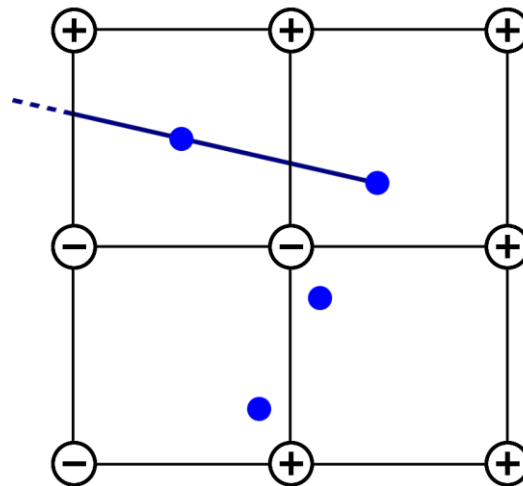
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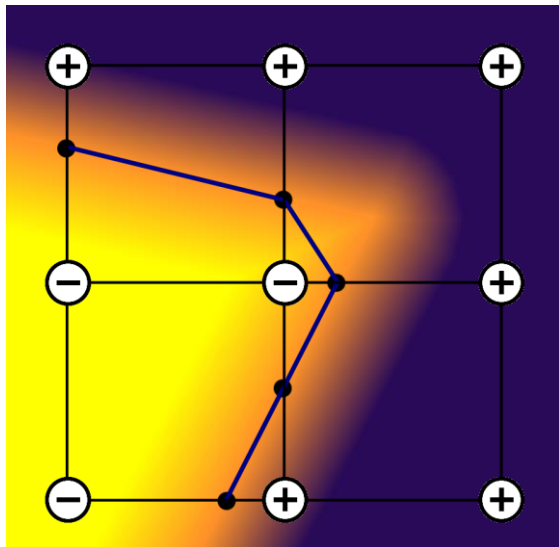
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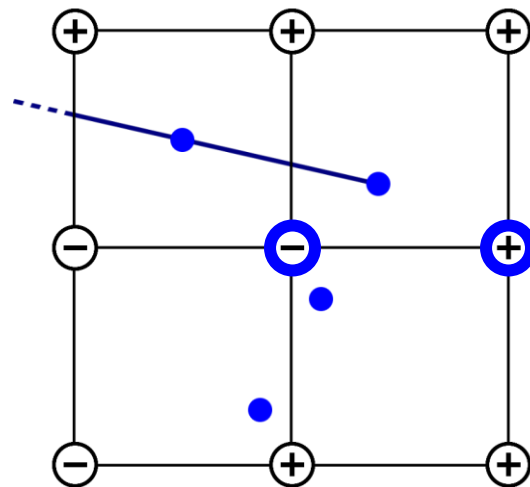
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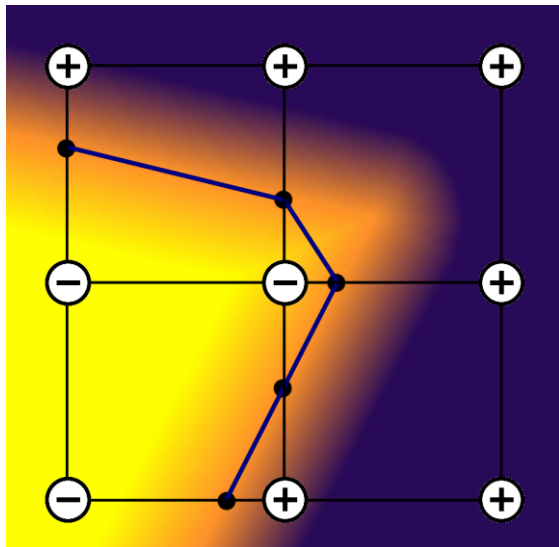


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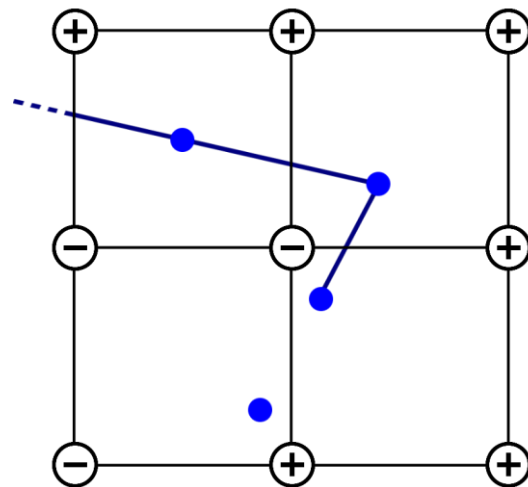




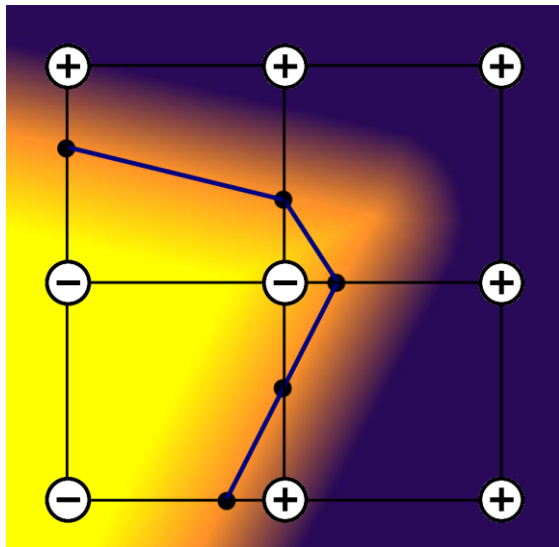
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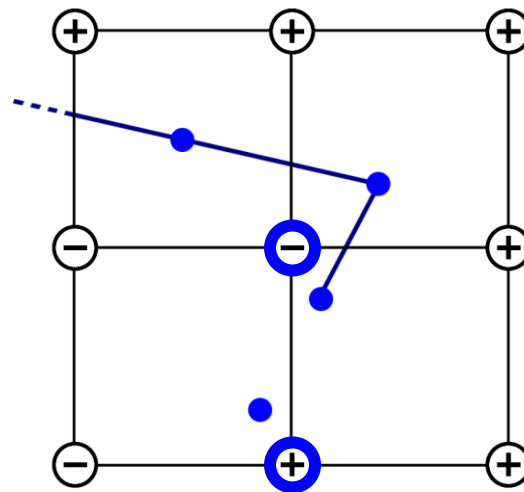
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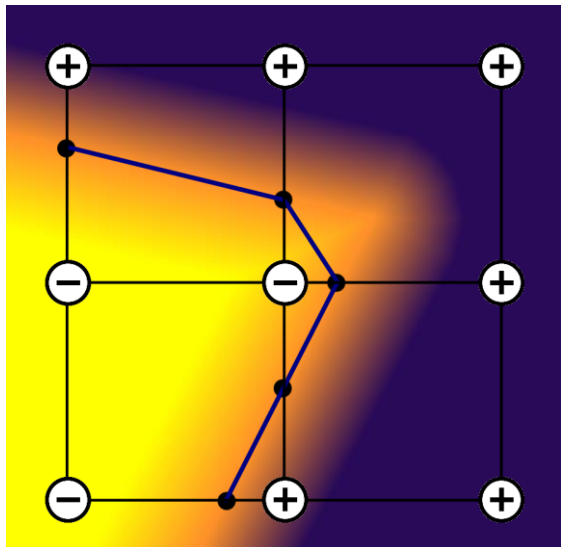
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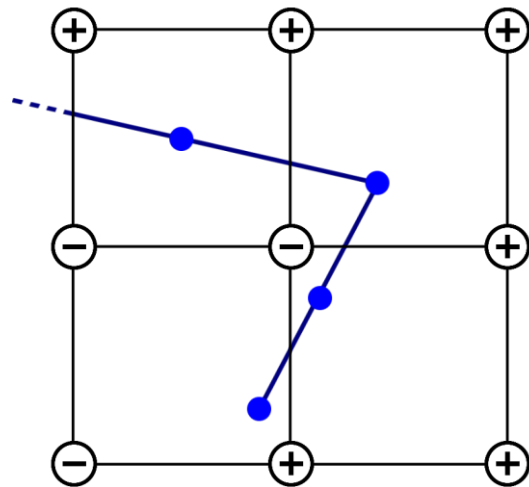
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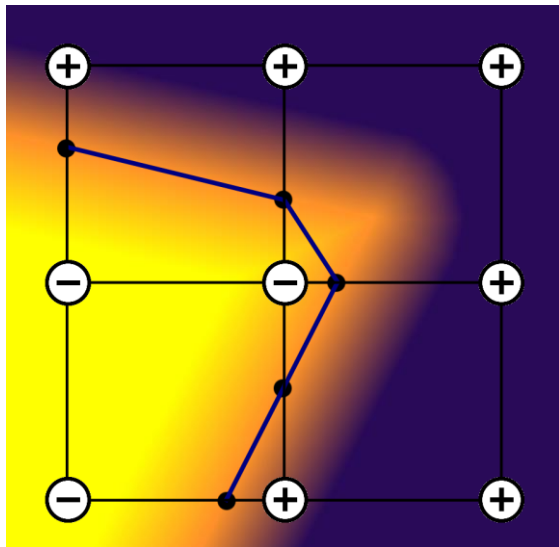
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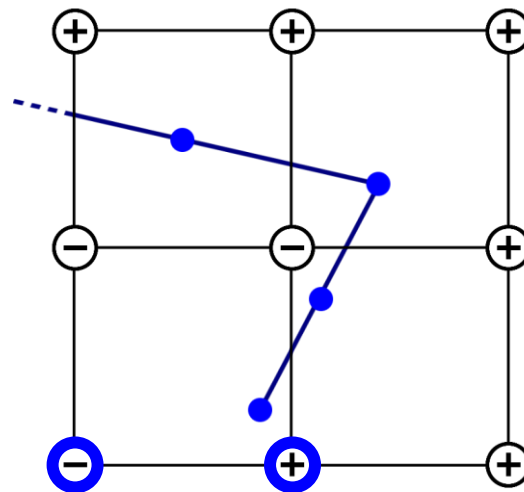
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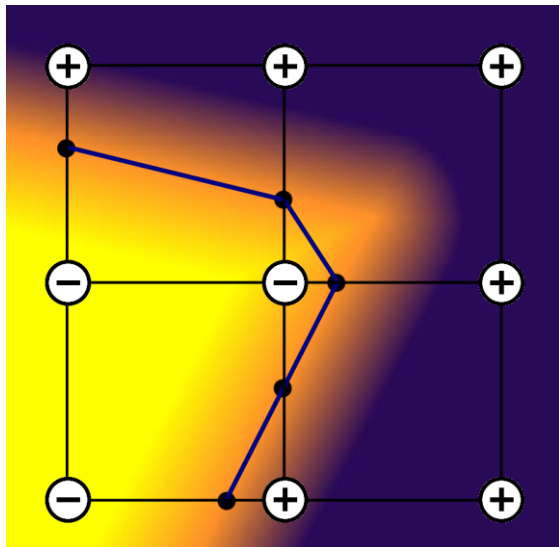
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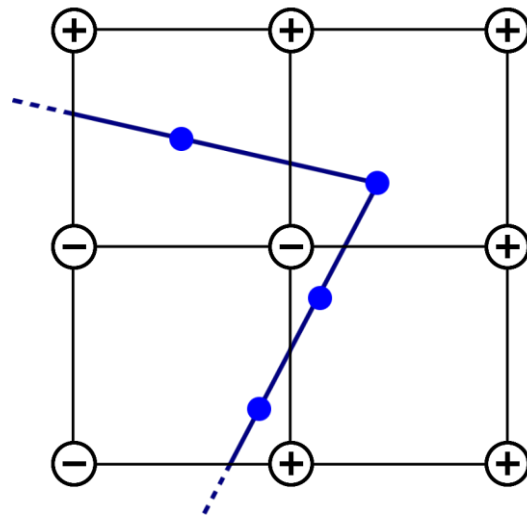
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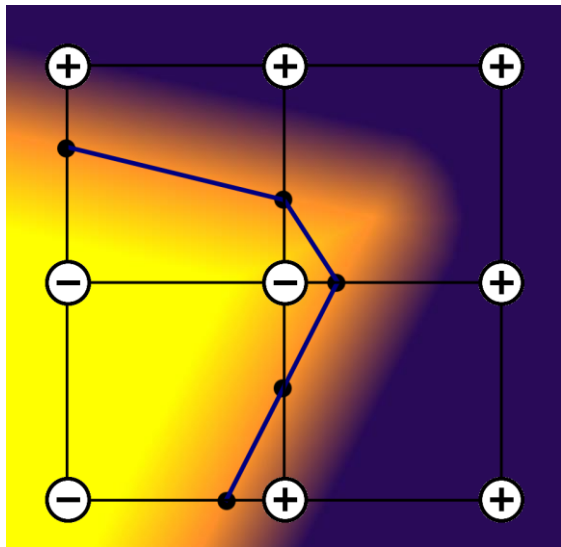
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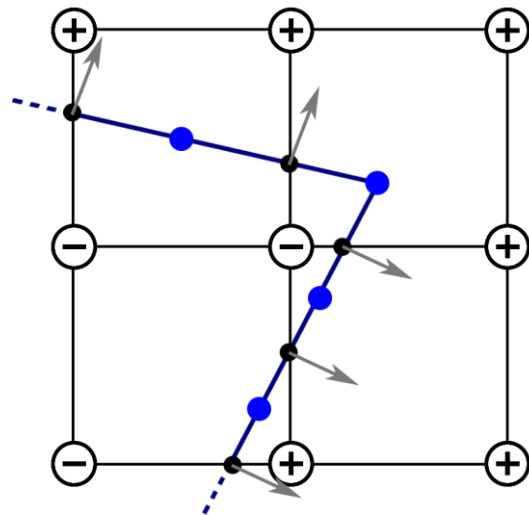
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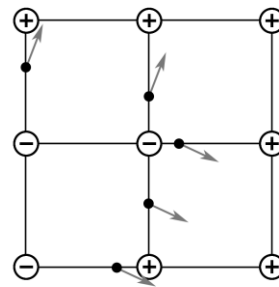


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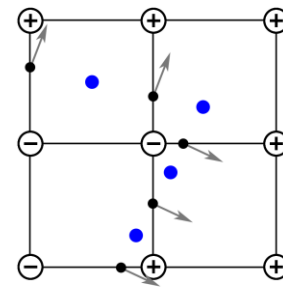
1. Complex

2. Slow

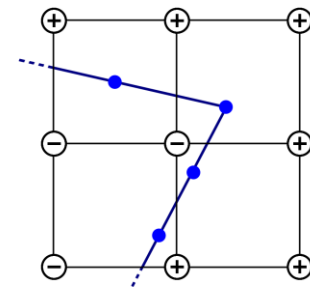
3. Producing a lot more vertices and triangles (4x or 8x) compared to MC



DC input: corner signs, intersection points on cell edges and their gradients (the arrows).



For each cell with a sign change, generate a vertex according to the QEFs.



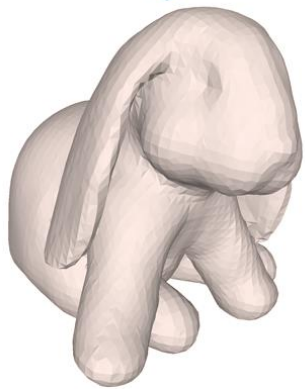
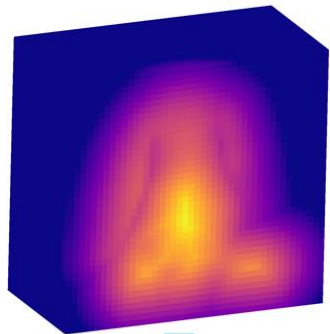
For each edge with a sign change, generate a quad face connecting the vertices of the four adjacent cells.

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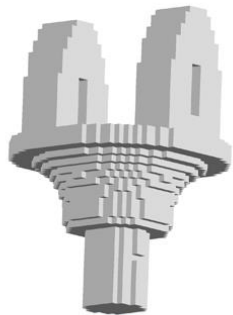
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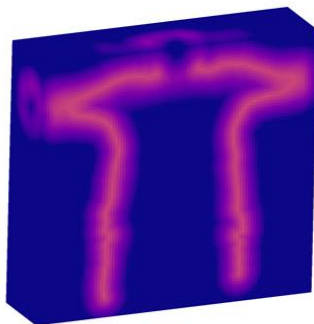
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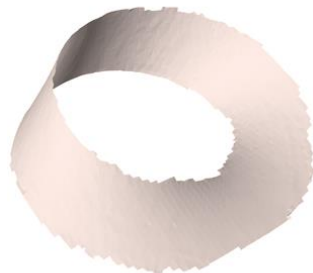
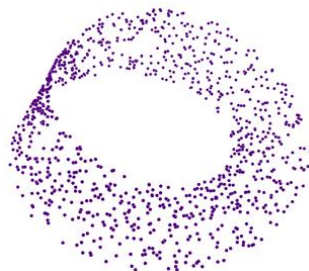
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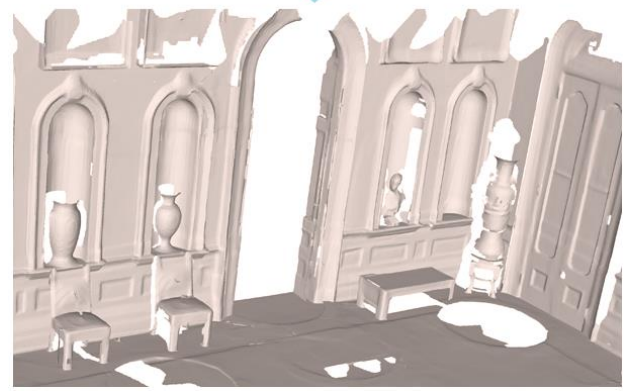
Grid of unsigned distances



Point cloud without normals



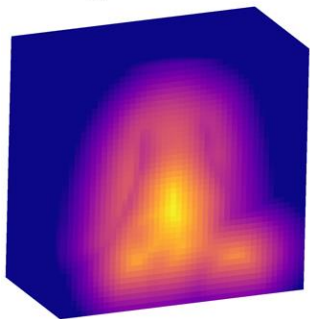
Noisy point cloud from raw scan





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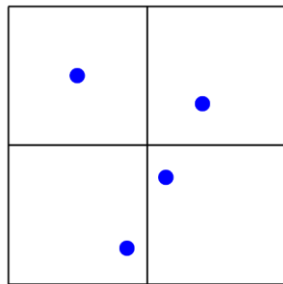
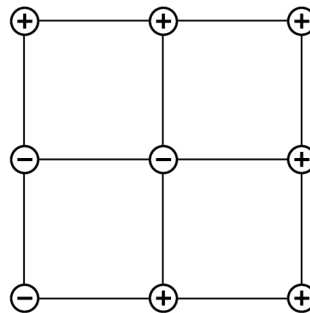
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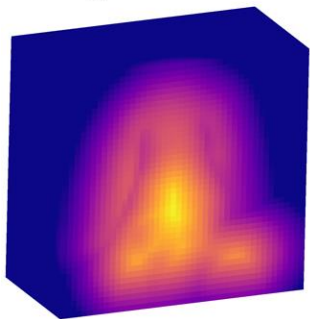


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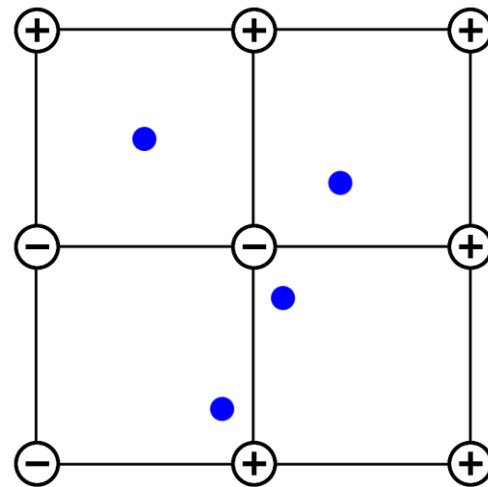
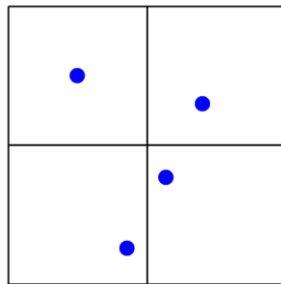
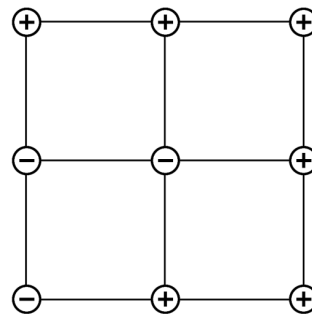
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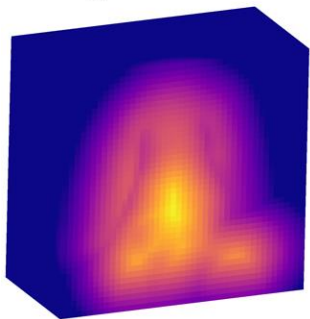


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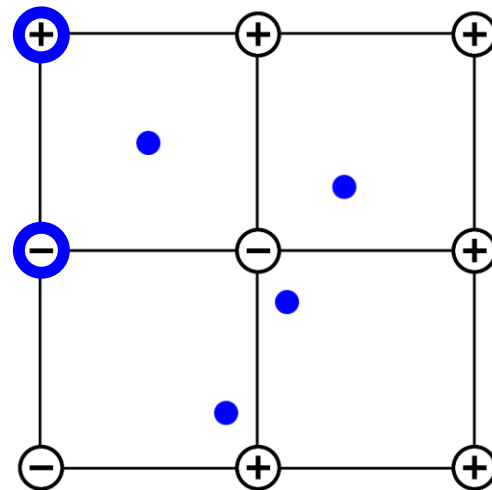
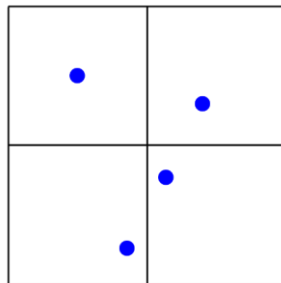
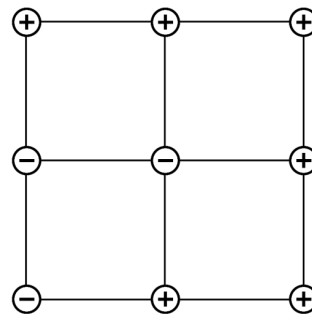
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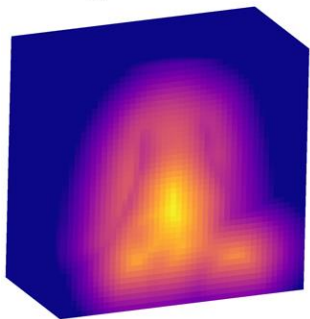


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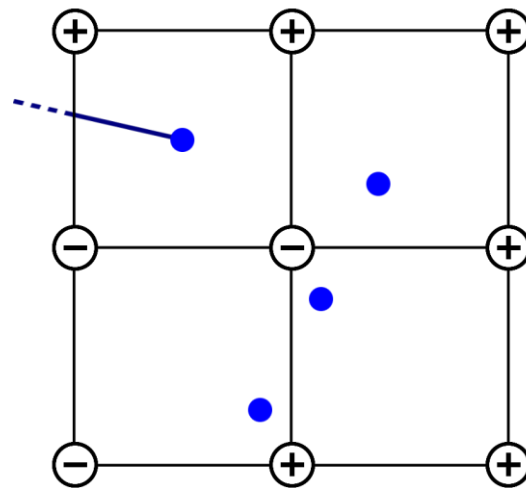
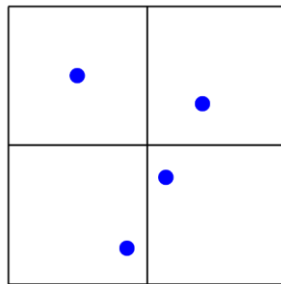
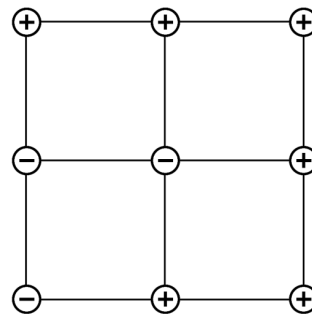
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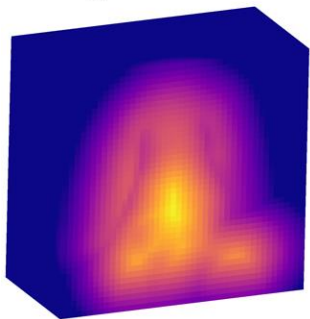


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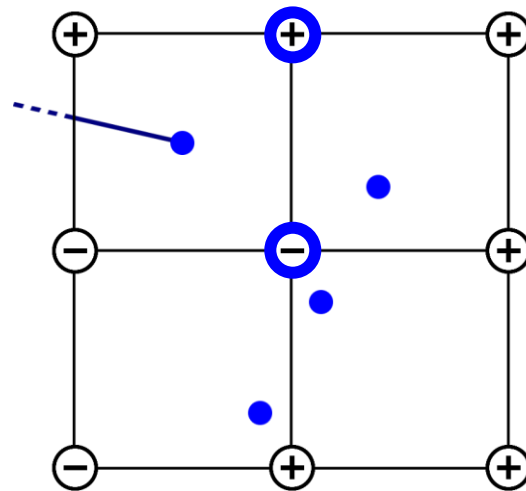
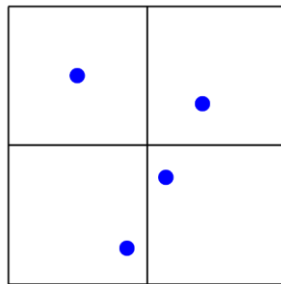
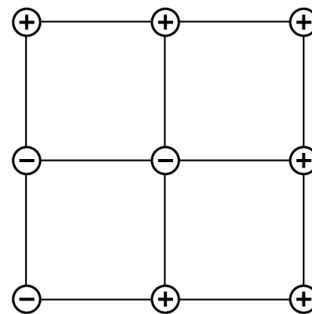
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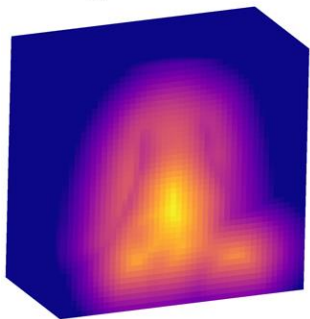


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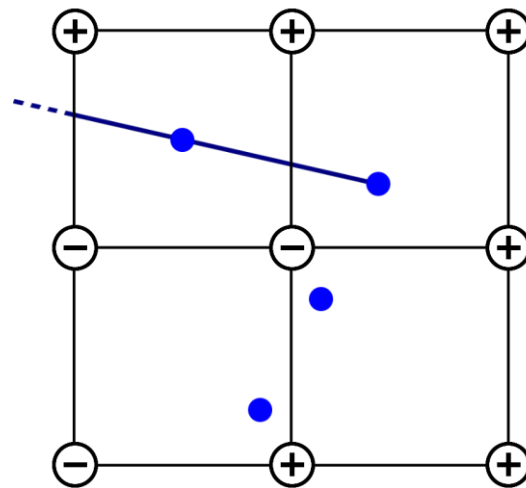
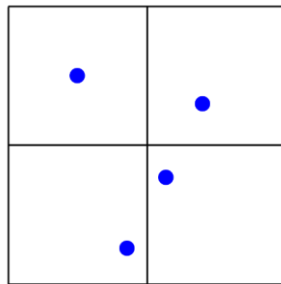
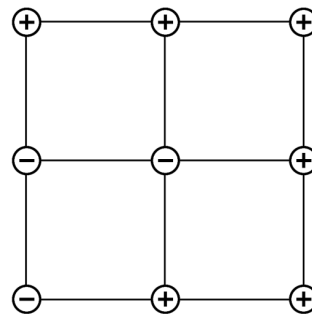
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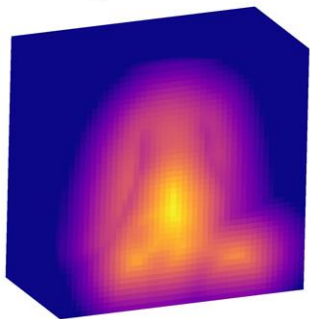


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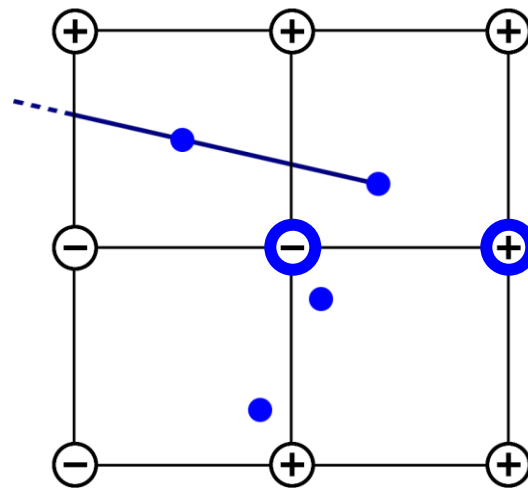
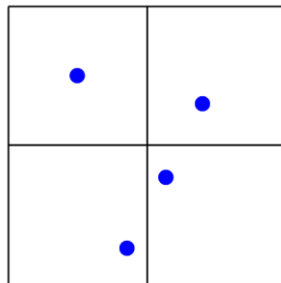
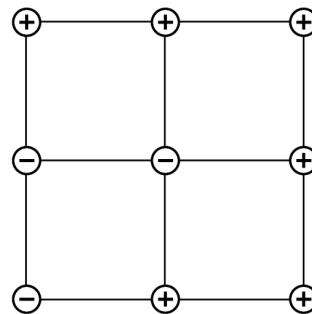
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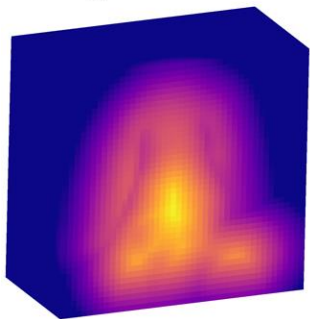


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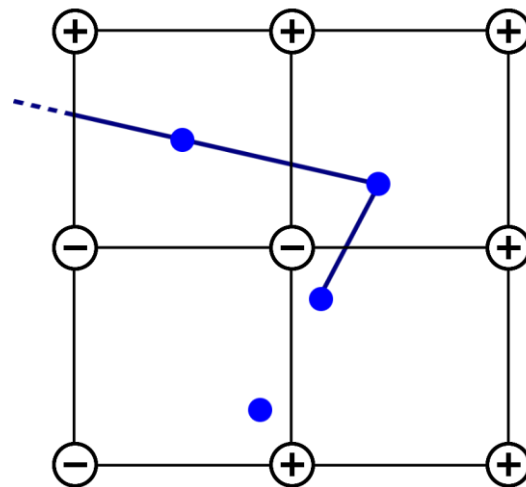
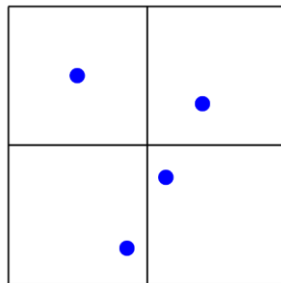
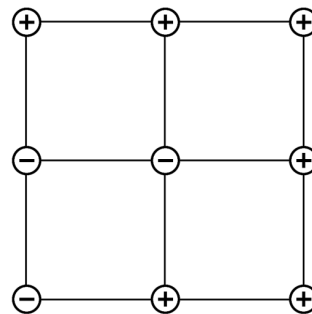
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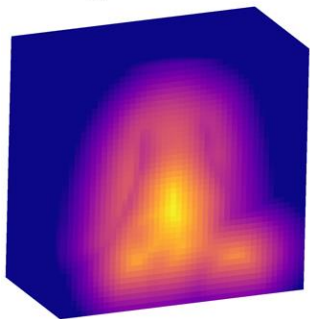
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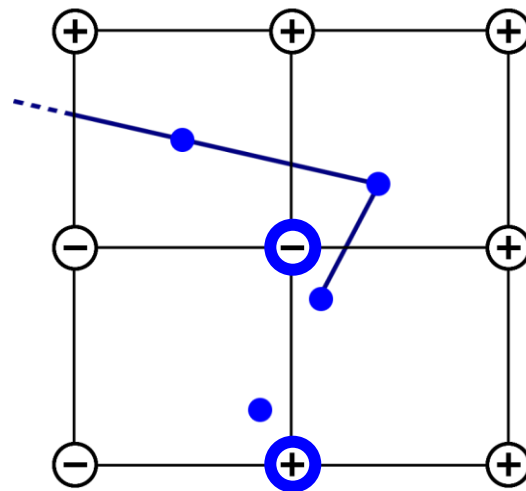
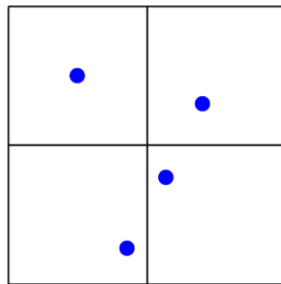
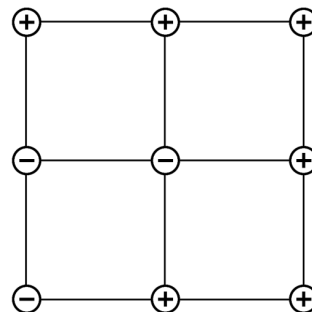
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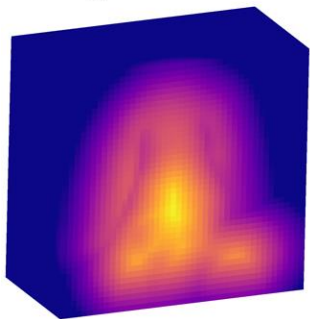


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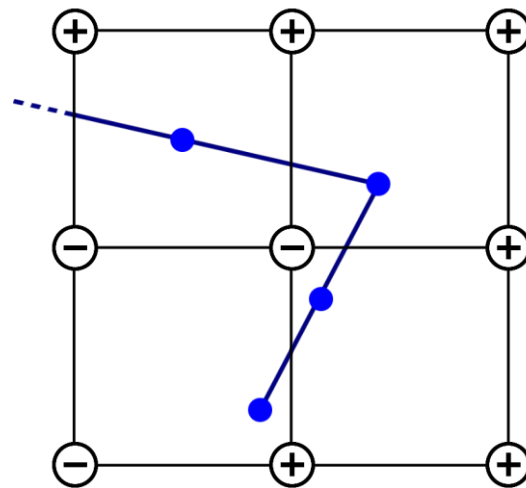
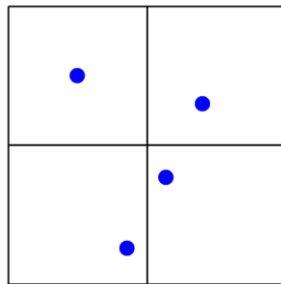
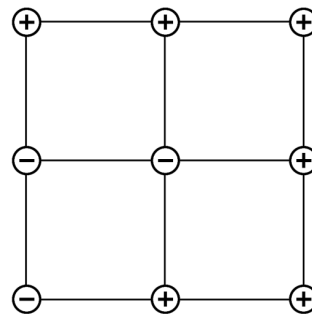
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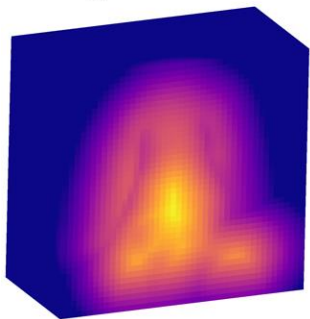


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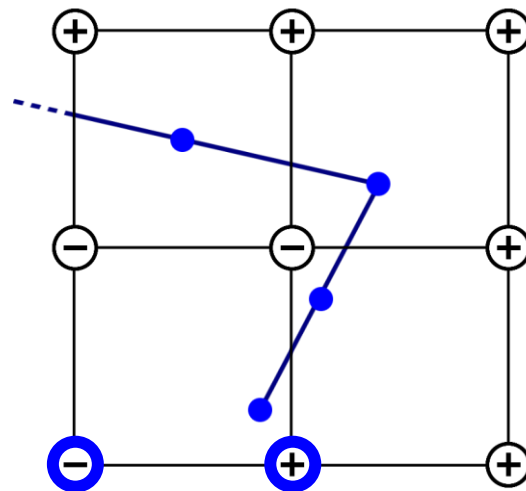
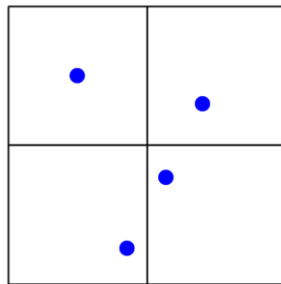
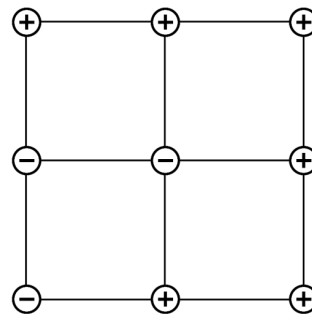
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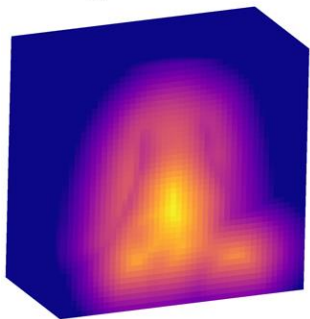


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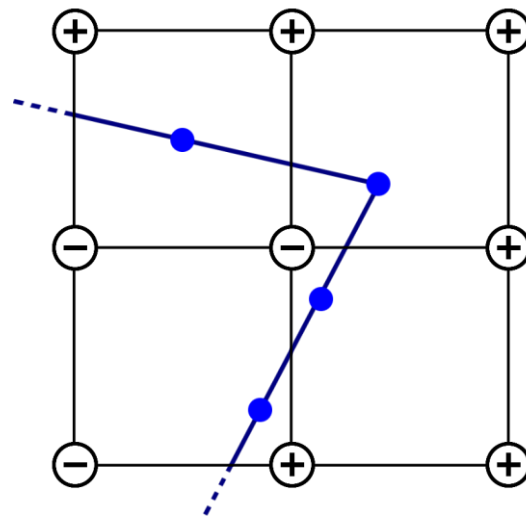
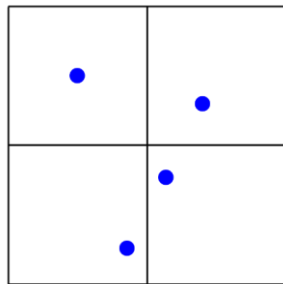
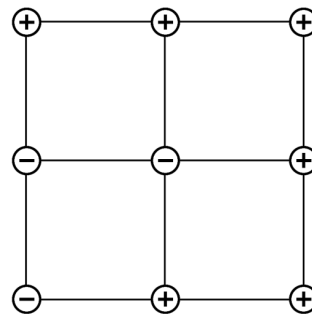
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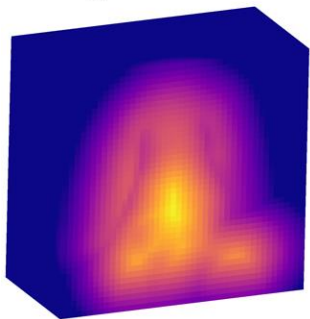


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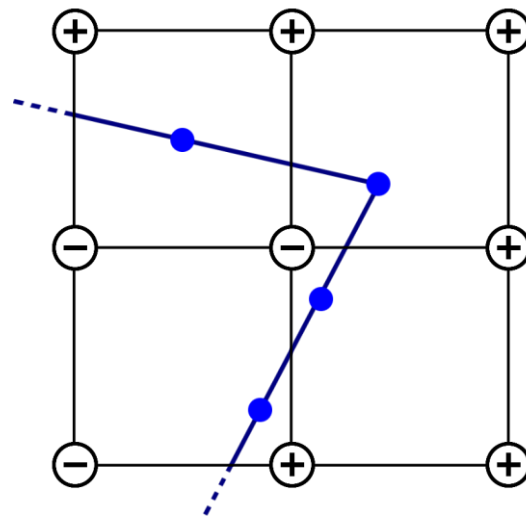
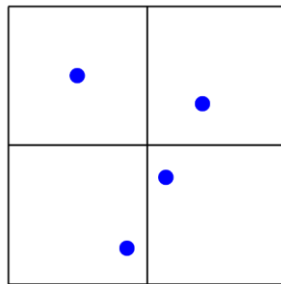
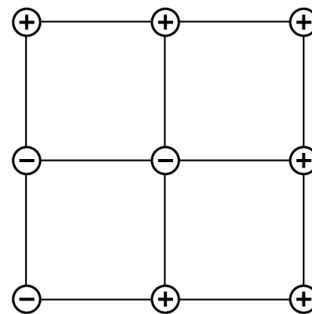
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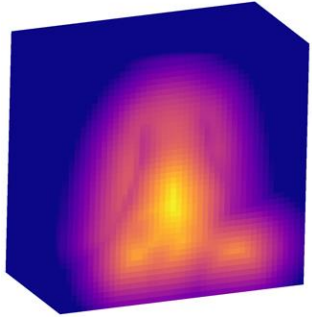


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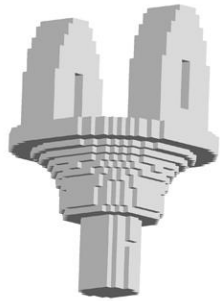


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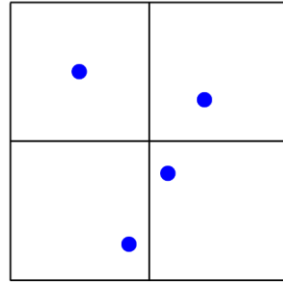
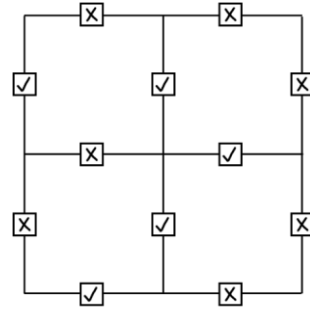
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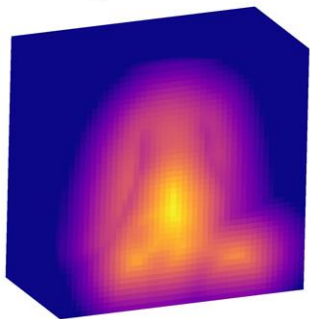


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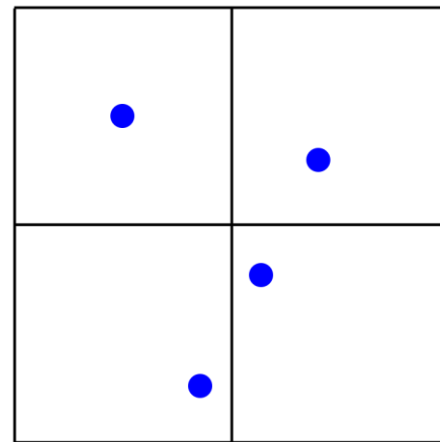
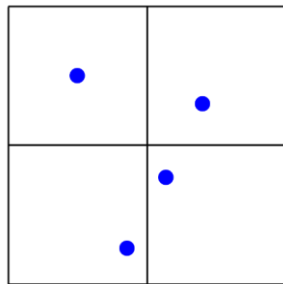
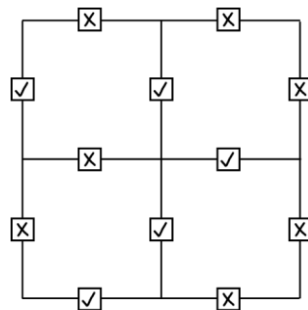
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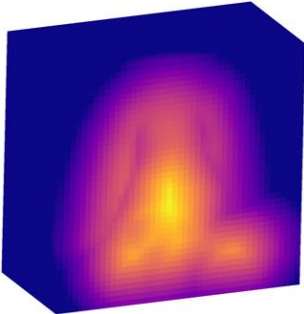


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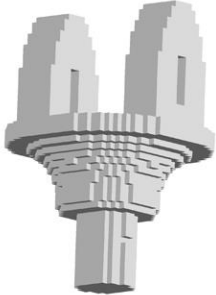


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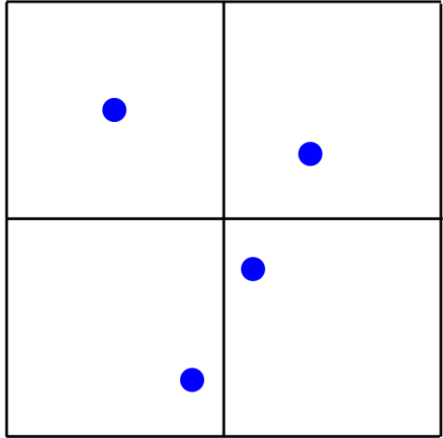
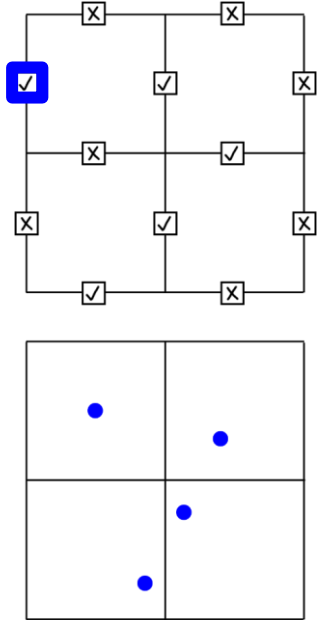
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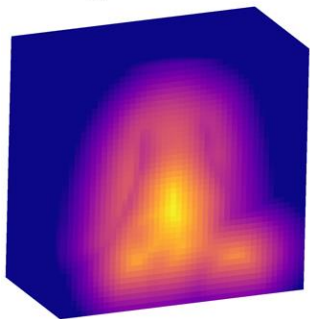
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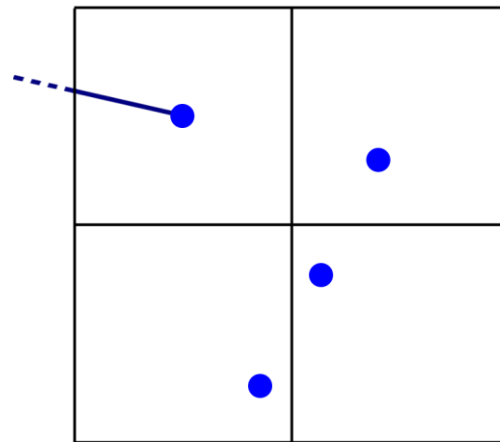
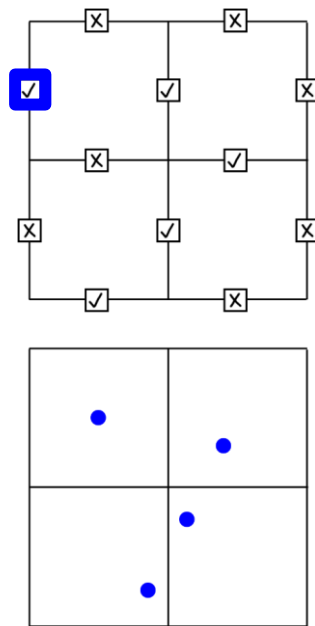
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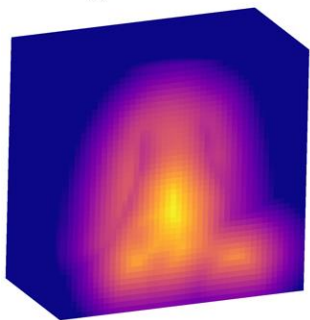


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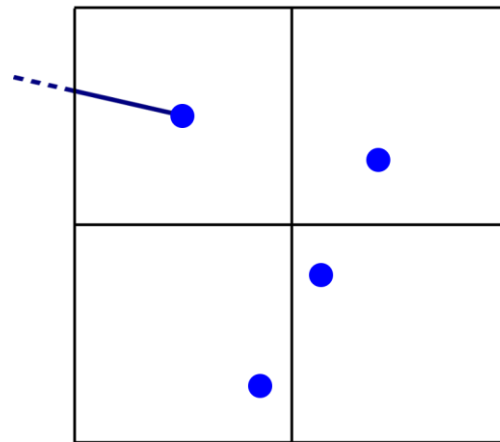
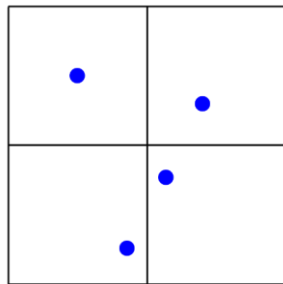
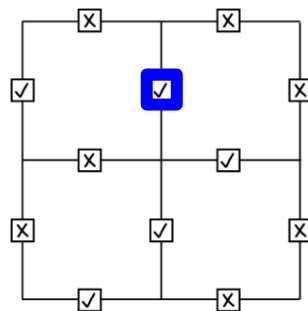
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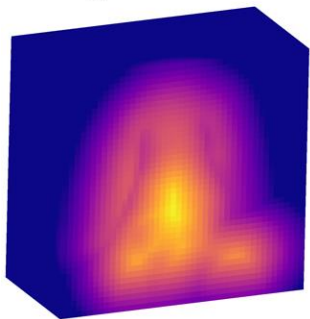


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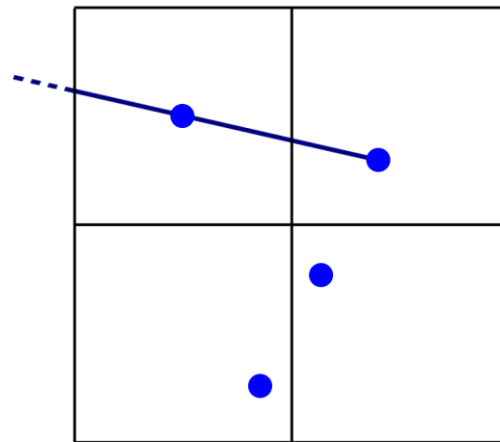
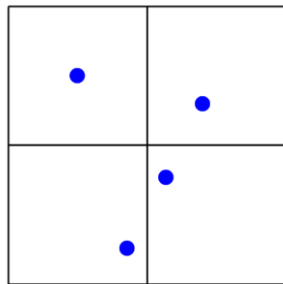
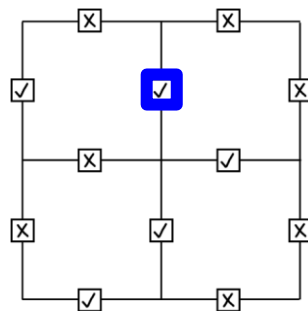
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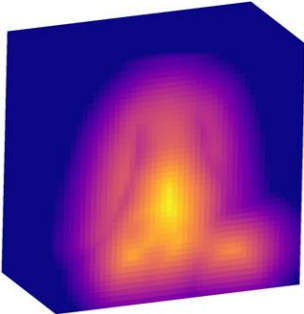


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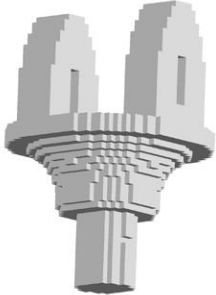


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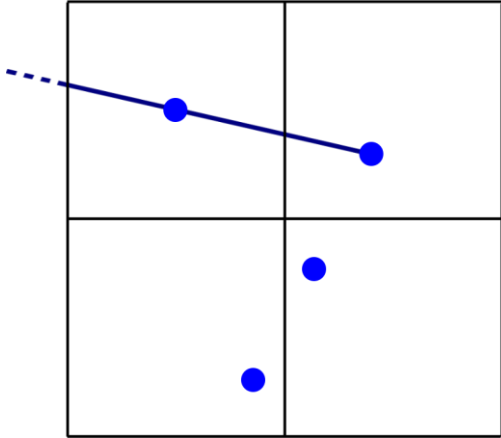
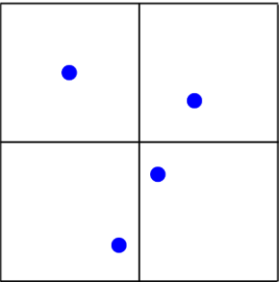
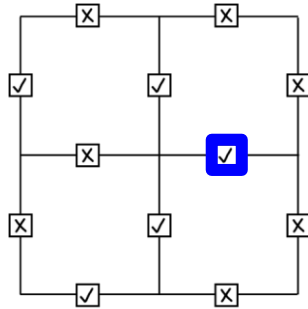
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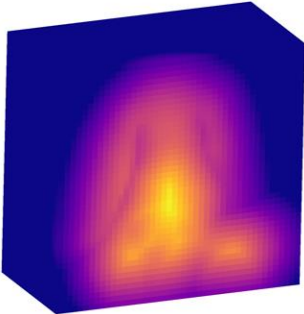


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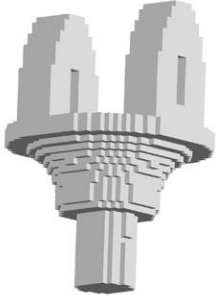


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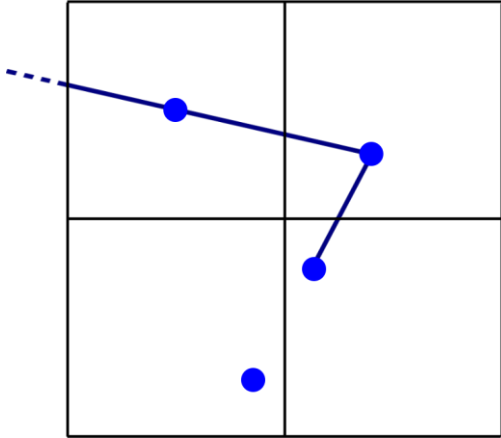
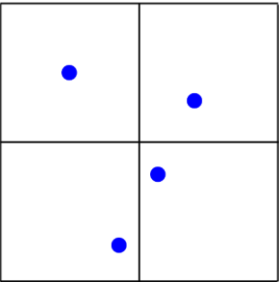
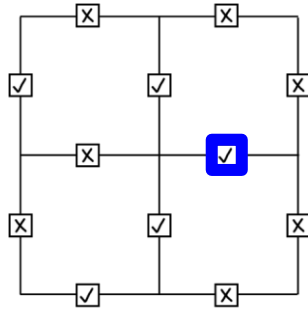
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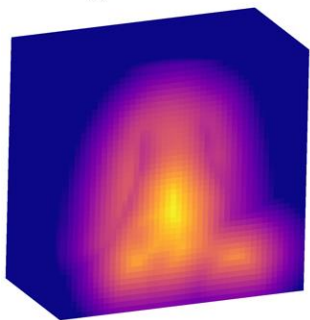


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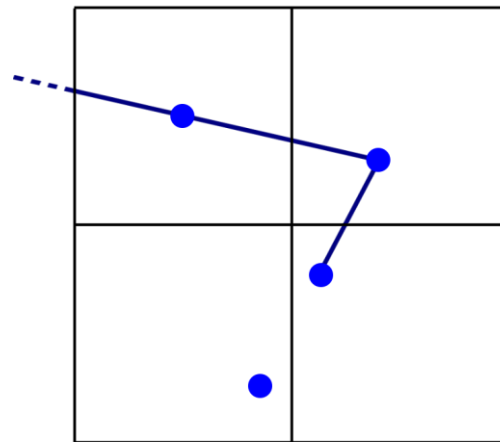
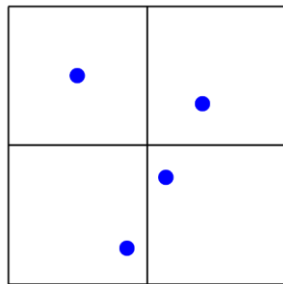
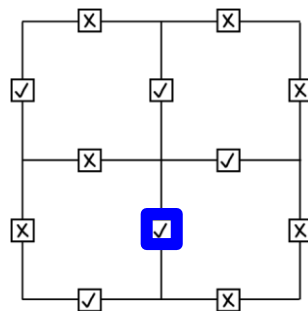
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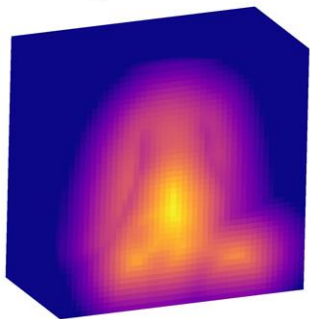


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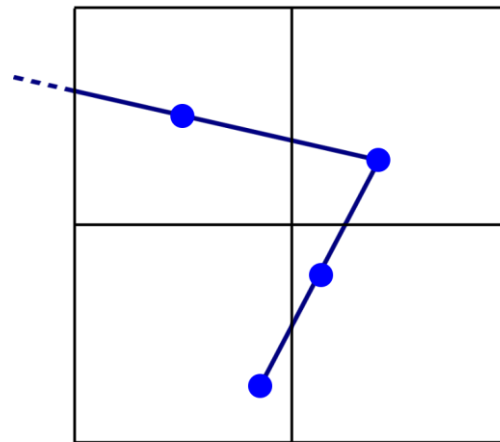
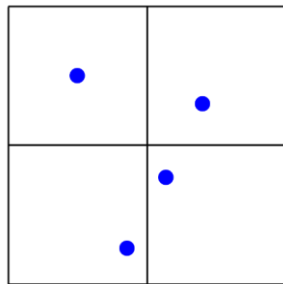
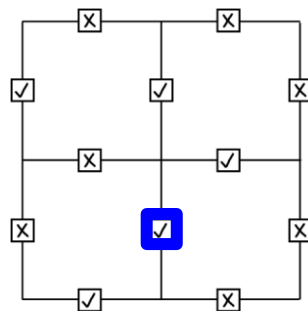
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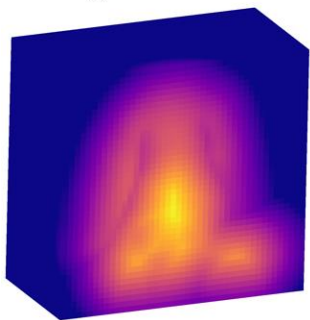


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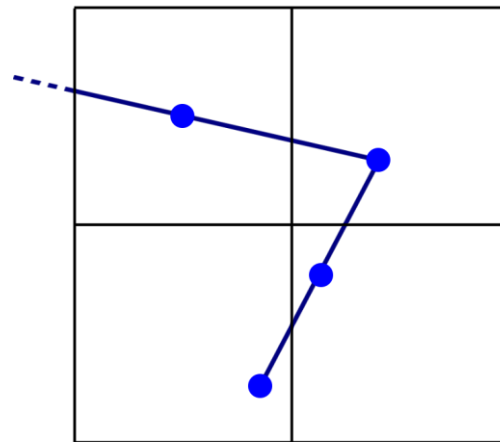
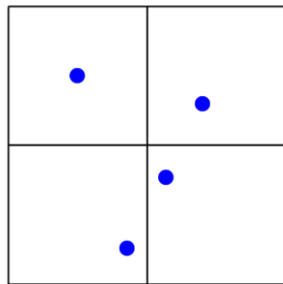
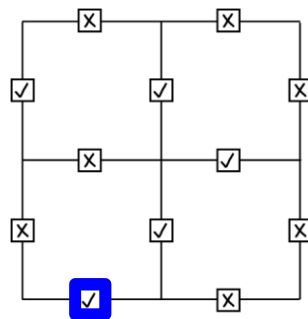
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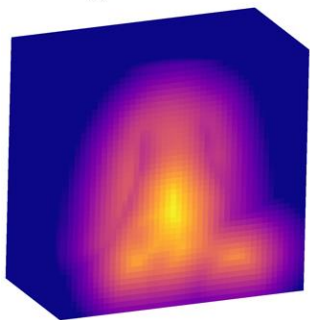
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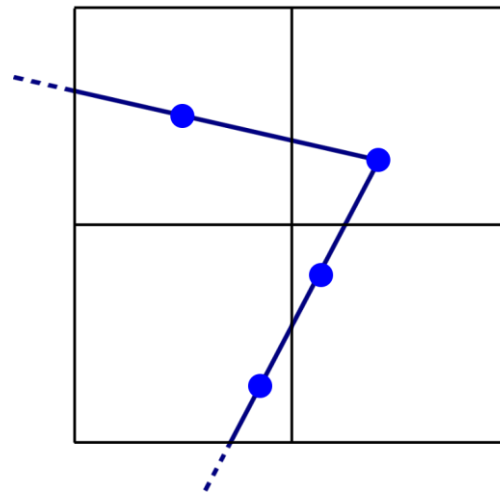
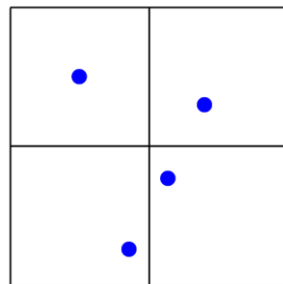
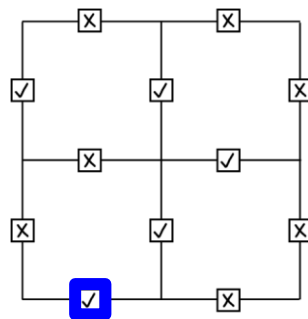
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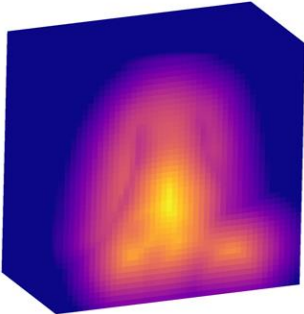


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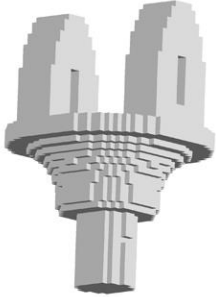


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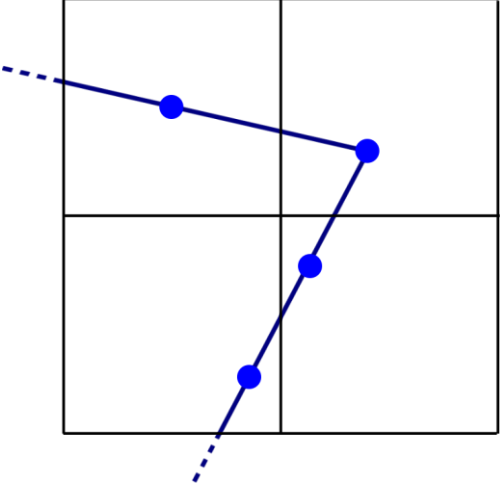
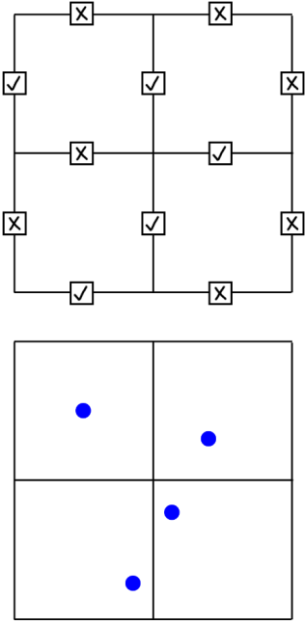
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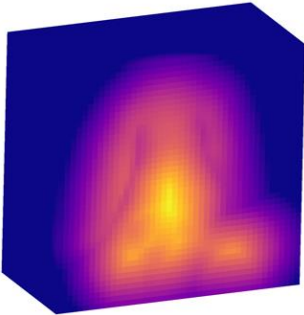


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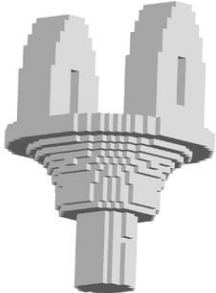


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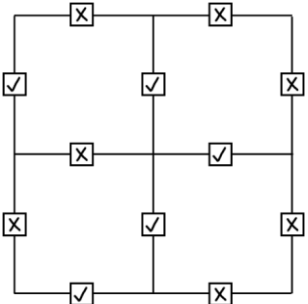
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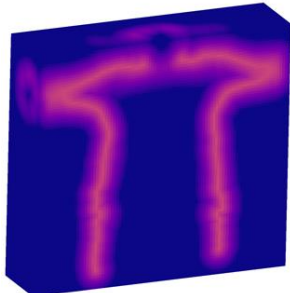
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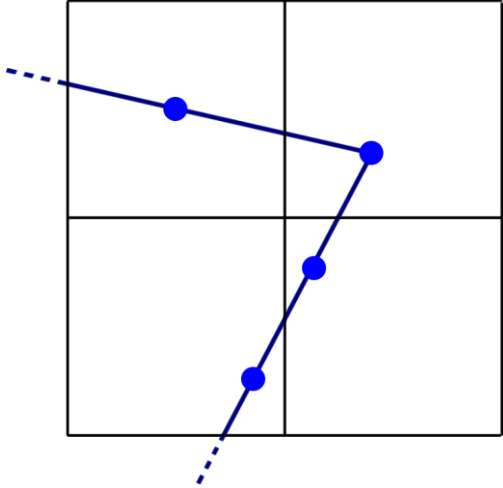
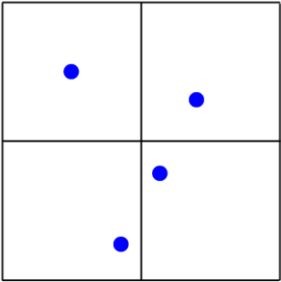
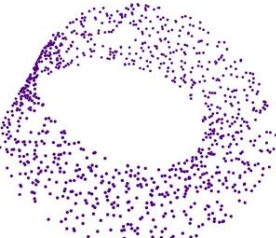
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Grid of unsigned distances

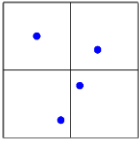
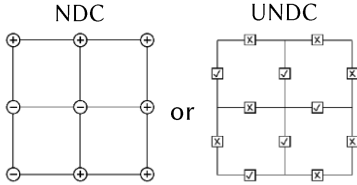
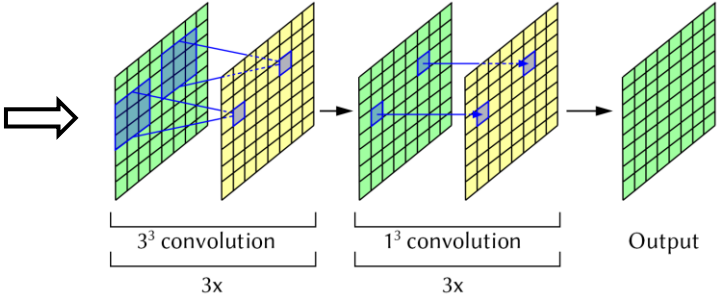


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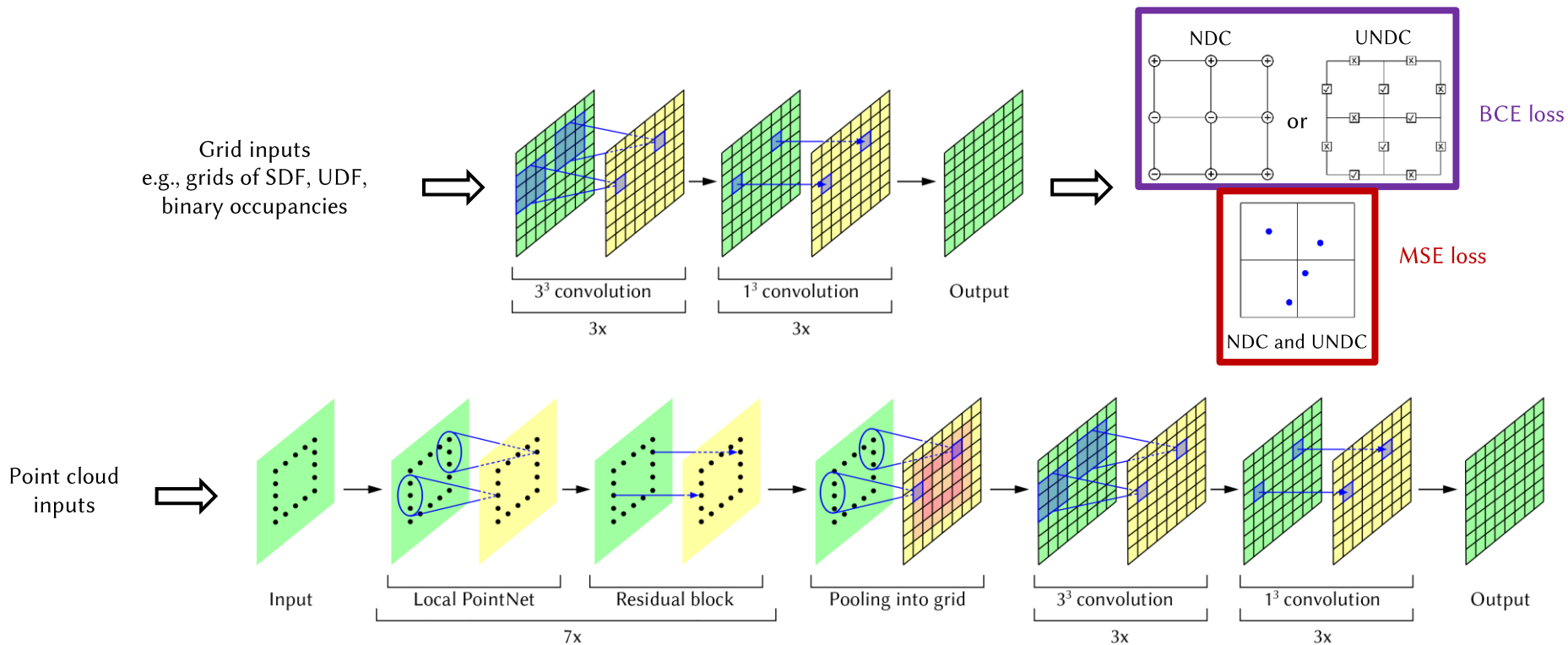
# Networks

Grid inputs  
e.g., grids of SDF, UDF,  
binary occupancies



NDC and UNDC

# Networks



# Experiments

1. On grids of signed distances
2. On grids of unsigned distances
3. On grids of binary voxels
4. On point clouds without normals
5. On real scans (dense noisy point clouds without normals)

# Reconstruction from grids of signed distances

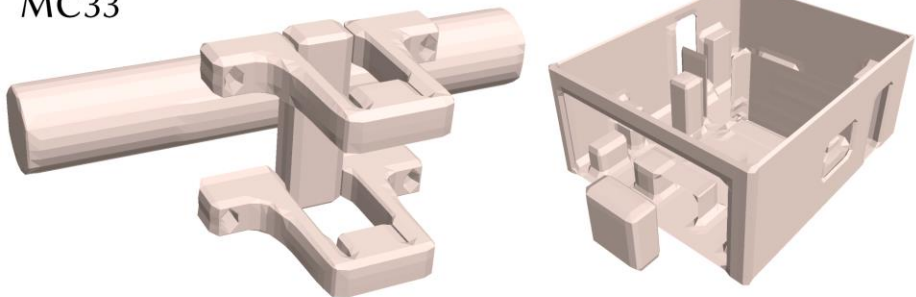
Our methods:

1. NDC
2. UNDC

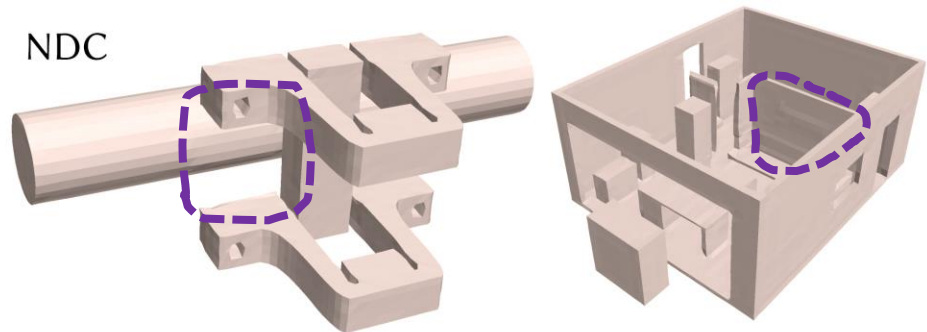
Compare with:

1. Marching Cubes 33 (MC33)
2. Dual Contouring with estimated normals (DC-est)
3. Neural Marching Cubes with smaller networks (NMC\* and NMC-lite\*)

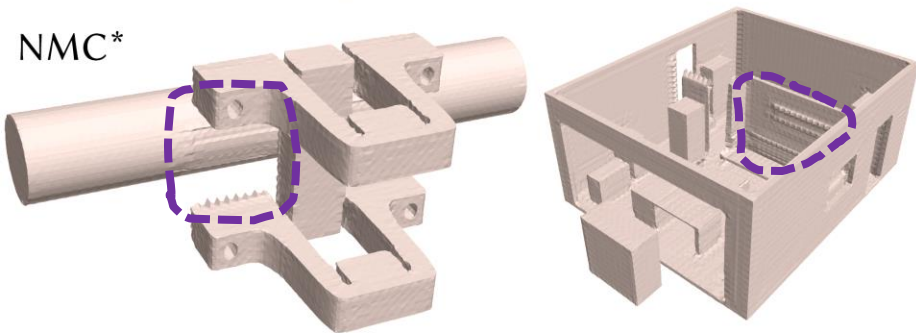
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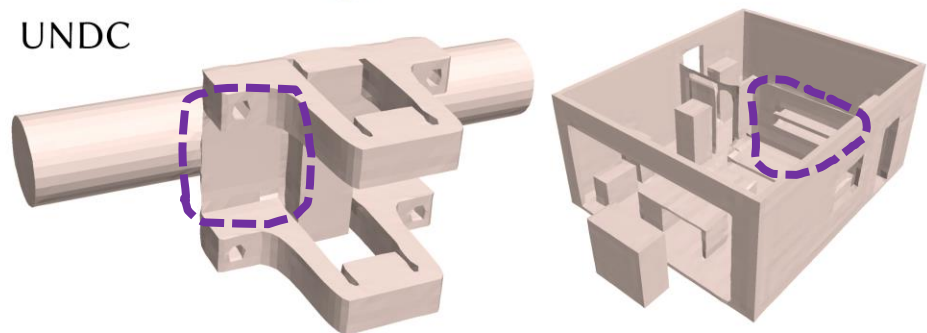
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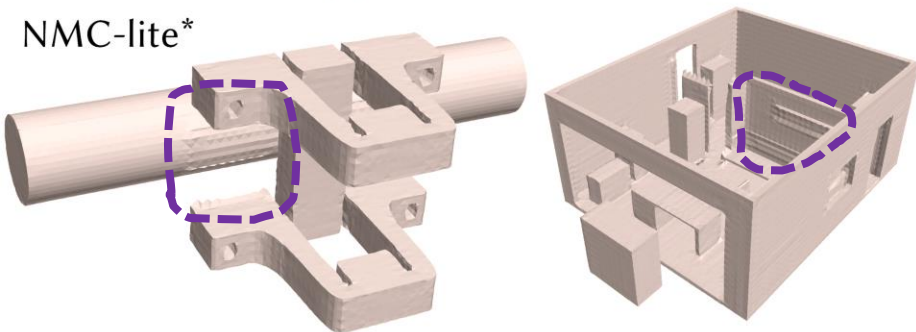
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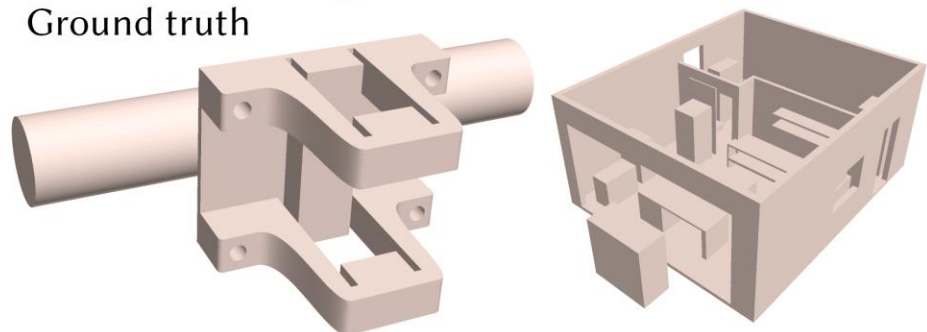
UNDC



NMC-lite\*



Ground truth





# Quantitative results

Table 2. Quantitative evaluation on **ABC** with **SDF** (signed or unsigned) inputs at two resolutions, evaluated on the test set split

$64^3$ SDF input	CD↓ ( $\times 10^5$ )	F1↑	NC↑	ECD↓ ( $\times 10^2$ )	EF1↑	#V	#T	Inference time
DC-est	4.673	0.827	0.958	3.810	0.167	<b>5,459</b>	10,969	0.421s
MC33	4.873	0.788	0.950	5.759	0.103	5,473	<b>10,954</b>	<b>0.005s</b>
NMC*	4.400	0.874	0.972	0.409	0.715	42,767	85,544	0.158s
NMC-lite*	4.386	<b>0.875</b>	0.973	0.416	0.725	21,933	43,877	0.153s
NDC	4.463	0.867	0.970	0.338	0.745	<b>5,459</b>	10,969	0.027s
<b>UNDC</b>	<b>0.930</b>	<b>0.873</b>	<b>0.974</b>	<b>0.328</b>	<b>0.746</b>	5,584	11,295	0.051s

$128^3$ SDF input	CD↓ ( $\times 10^5$ )	F1↑	NC↑	ECD↓ ( $\times 10^2$ )	EF1↑	#V	#T	Inference time
DC-est	4.132	0.879	0.977	2.215	0.266	22,088	44,213	1.765s
MC33	4.144	0.870	0.972	4.247	0.193	<b>22,048</b>	<b>44,107</b>	<b>0.030s</b>
NMC*	4.116	0.882	0.978	0.257	0.779	175,926	351,867	1.126s
NMC-lite*	4.114	0.882	0.979	0.283	0.785	88,419	176,853	1.112s
NDC	4.131	0.881	0.978	0.214	0.802	22,088	44,213	0.207s
<b>UNDC</b>	<b>0.789</b>	<b>0.890</b>	<b>0.983</b>	<b>0.149</b>	<b>0.813</b>	22,578	45,411	0.410s

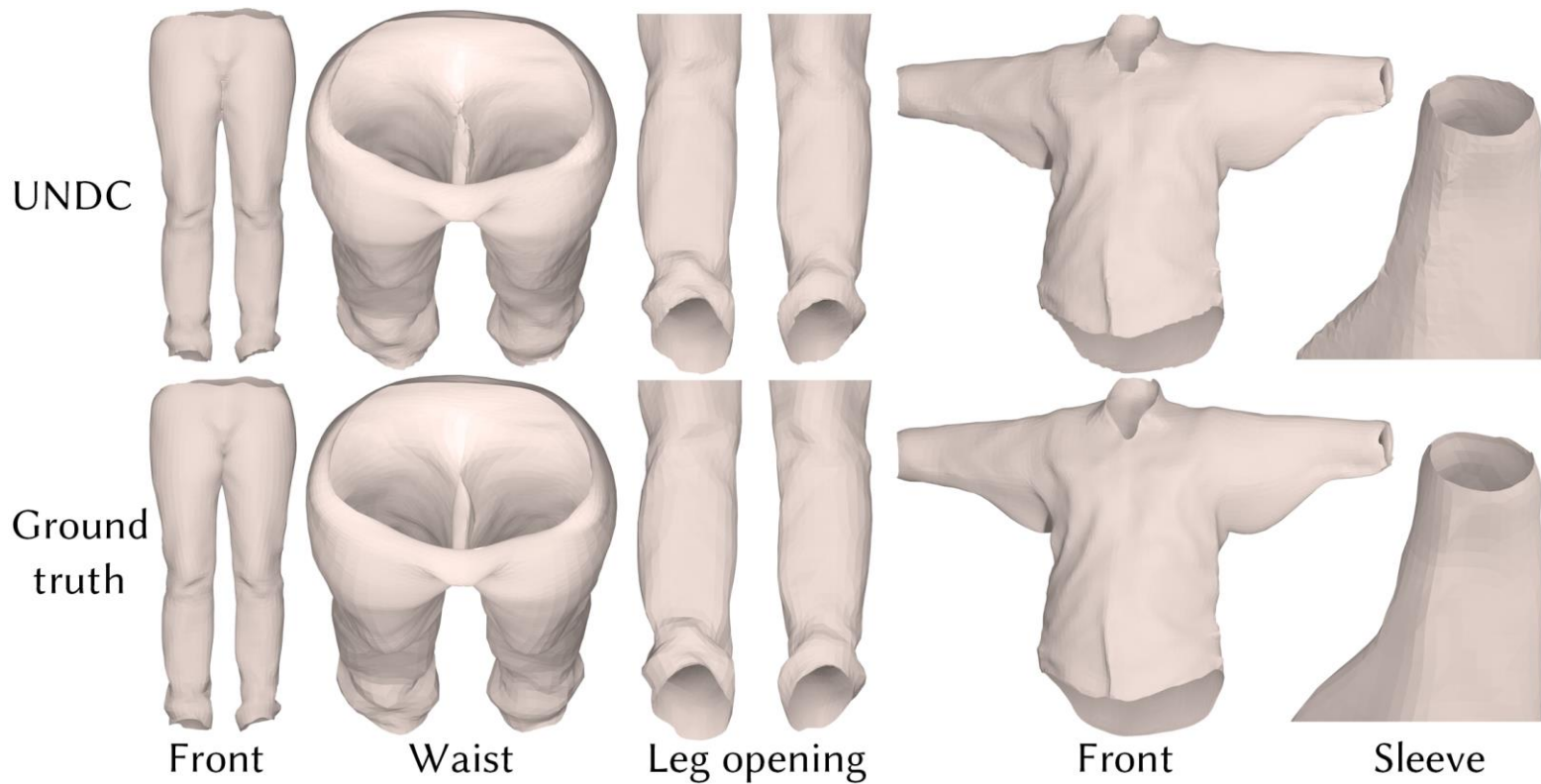
Table 3. Quantitative results on **Thing10K** with **SDF** input.

$128^3$ SDF input	CD↓ ( $\times 10^5$ )	F1↑	ECD↓ ( $\times 10^2$ )	EF1↑	#V	#T	% IN > 5°	% SA < 10°
MC33	2.421	0.890	2.657	0.197	22,324	44,656	19.08	2.43
NMC*	2.613	0.902	0.269	0.760	169,211	338,427	20.99	0.77
NMC-lite*	2.651	0.902	0.254	0.772	89,260	178,527	17.04	1.74
NDC	2.300	0.901	0.215	0.792	<b>22,295</b>	<b>44,631</b>	<b>12.52</b>	<b>0.24</b>
<b>UNDC</b>	<b>0.757</b>	<b>0.904</b>	<b>0.189</b>	<b>0.795</b>	22,478	45,043	12.66	0.29

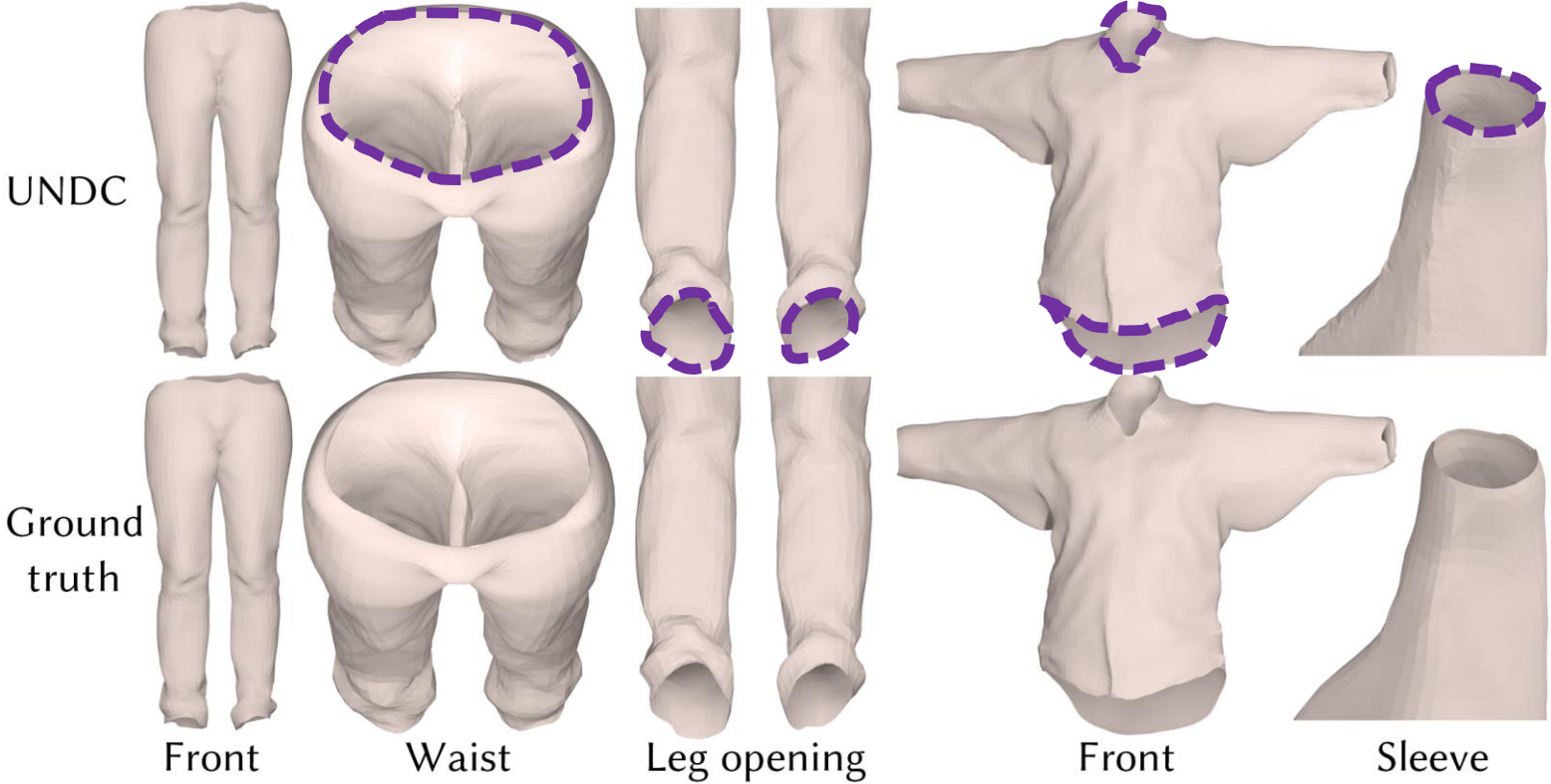
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MC33	0.453	0.985	0.086	0.387	12,551	<b>25,076</b>	<b>34.28</b>	4.23
NMC*	0.385	0.990	0.146	0.552	83,024	166,038	44.58	1.18
NMC-lite*	0.381	0.991	0.119	0.567	50,207	100,404	38.33	2.63
NDC	0.397	0.989	0.044	0.530	<b>12,538</b>	25,100	38.38	<b>0.11</b>
<b>UNDC</b>	<b>0.362</b>	<b>0.992</b>	<b>0.038</b>	<b>0.574</b>	12,609	25,258	37.38	0.16

# Reconstruction from grids of unsigned distances



# Reconstruction from grids of unsigned distances



# Reconstruction from point clouds

Our method: UNDC

Compare with:

1. Ball-pivoting
2. Screened Poisson

[10] The ball-pivoting algorithm for surface reconstruction. Bernardini et al. TVCG, 1999.

[11] Screened Poisson surface reconstruction. Kazhdan et al. ACM Transactions on Graphics, 2013.

# Reconstruction from point clouds

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Compare with:

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5. Convolutional Occupancy Networks (ConvONet)

[12] Implicit neural representations with periodic activation functions. Sitzmann et al. NeurIPS, 2020.

[13] Local implicit grid representations for 3d scenes. Jiang et al. CVPR, 2020.

[14] Convolutional occupancy networks. Peng et al. ECCV, 2020.

# Reconstruction from point clouds

Our method: UNDC

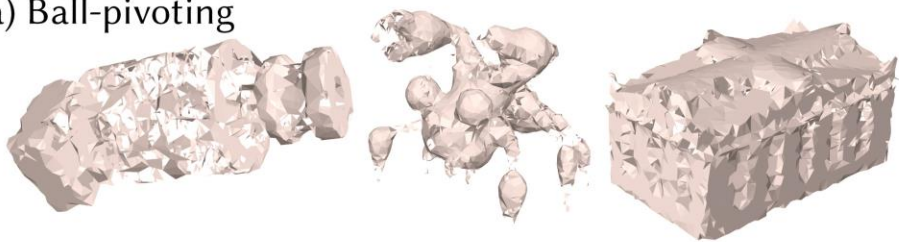
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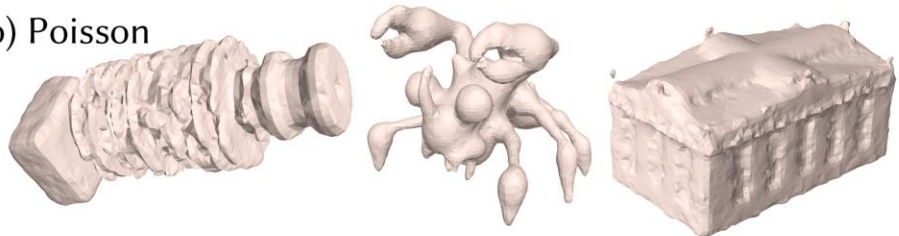
Table 6. Quantitative results on **ABC** test set with **point cloud** input. (+n) indicates that the method additionally requires point normals as input.

point cloud (4,096)	CD↓ ( $\times 10^5$ )	F1↑	NC↑	ECD↓ ( $\times 10^2$ )	EF1↑	#V	#T	Inference time
Ball-pivoting (+n)	3.080	0.791	0.944	0.556	0.269	<b>4,096</b>	<b>7,439</b>	1.292s
Poisson (+n)	4.705	0.727	0.939	4.138	0.067	11,241	22,496	1.476s
SIREN (+n)	1.340	0.814	0.969	2.636	0.152	97,219	194,543	168.595s
LIG (+n)	3.413	0.721	0.947	11.868	0.022	149,860	299,166	66.866s
ConvONet 3plane	18.073	0.536	0.935	4.113	0.105	75,342	150,689	2.692s
ConvONet grid	8.844	0.488	0.939	9.701	0.036	74,171	148,337	2.404s
<b>UNDC</b>	<b>0.893</b>	<b>0.873</b>	<b>0.974</b>	<b>0.289</b>	<b>0.757</b>	<b>5,578</b>	<b>11,261</b>	<b>0.194s</b>

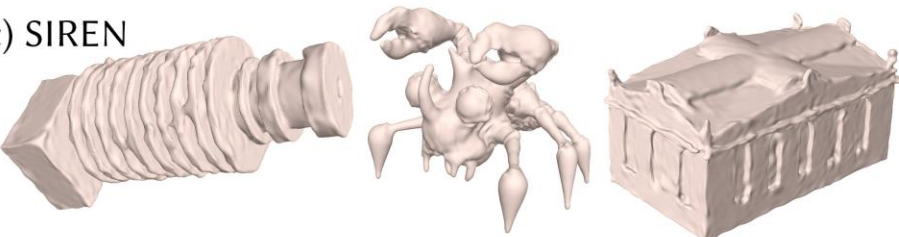
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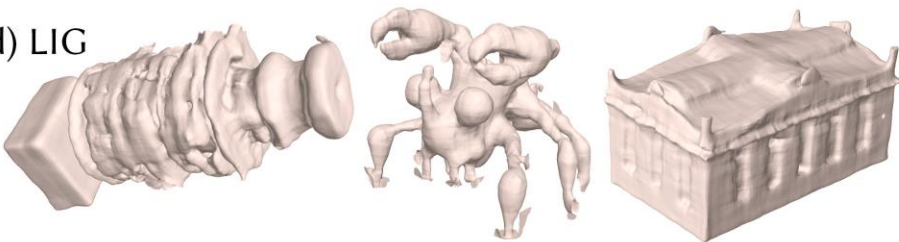
(b) Poisson



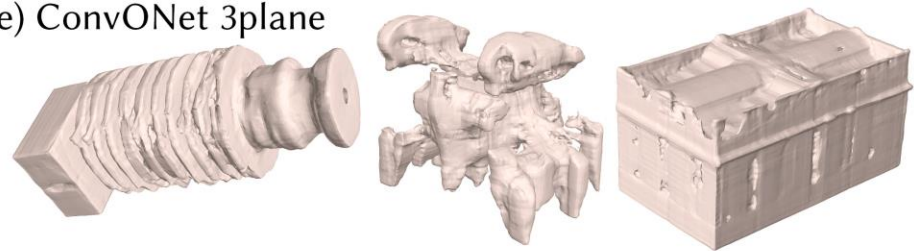
(c) SIREN



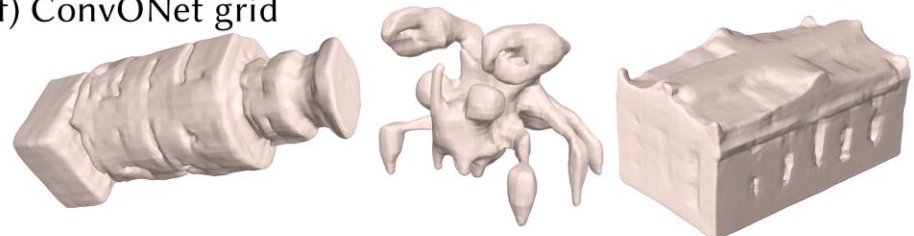
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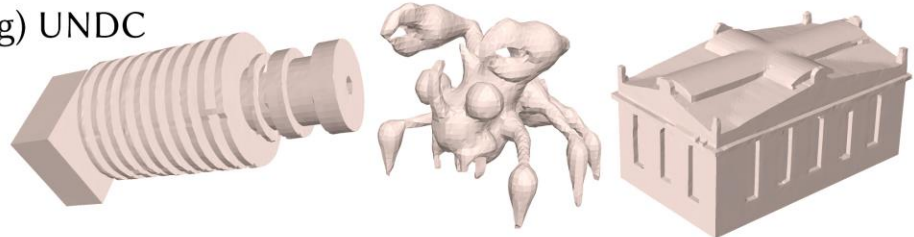
(e) ConvONet 3plane



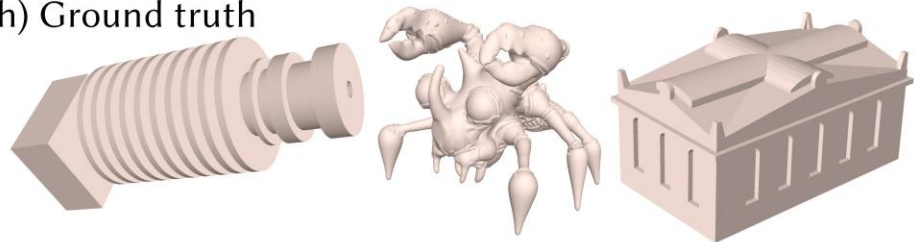
(f) ConvONet grid



(g) UNDC



(h) Ground truth



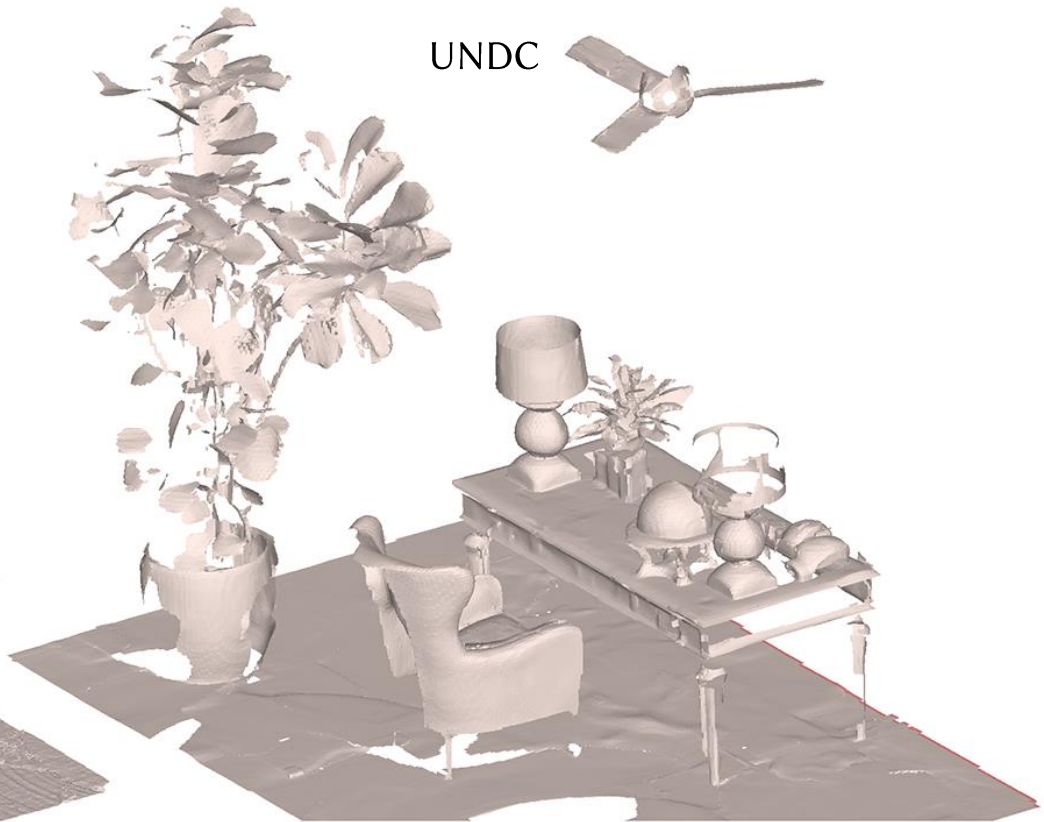
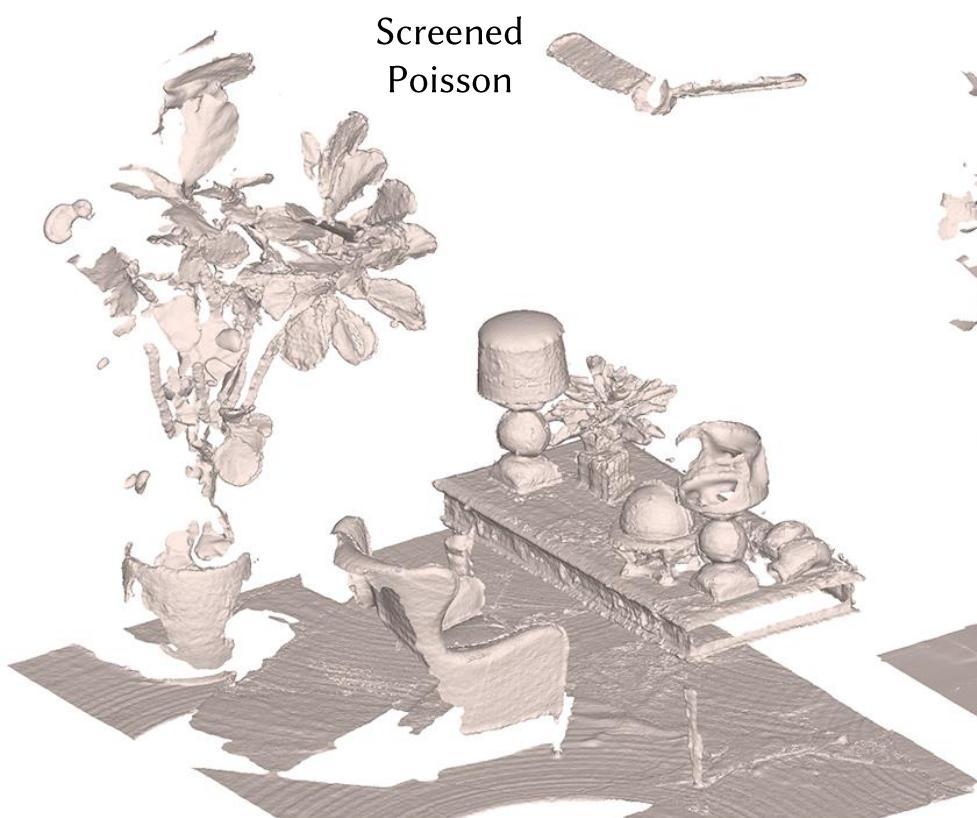


# Reconstruction from noisy real scans

Screened  
Poisson



UNDC





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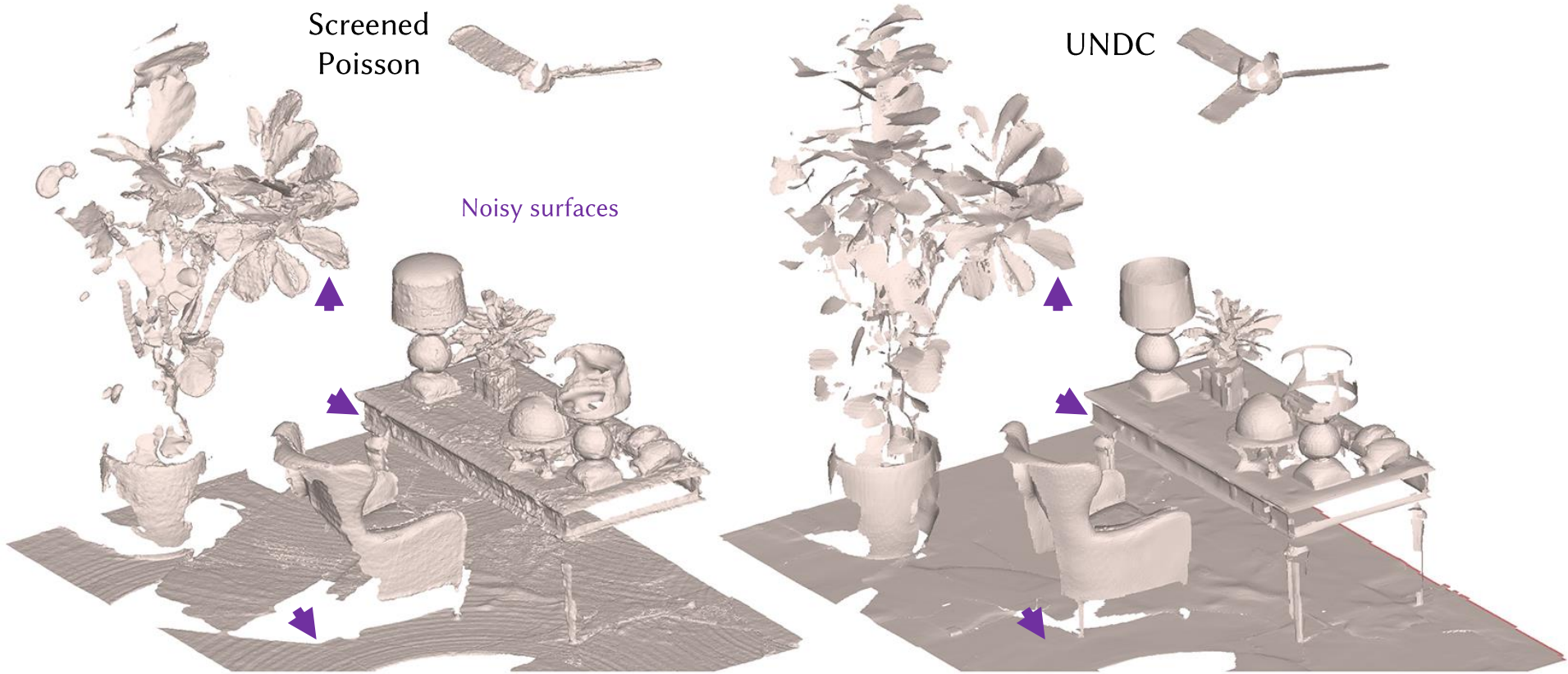
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Noisy surfaces



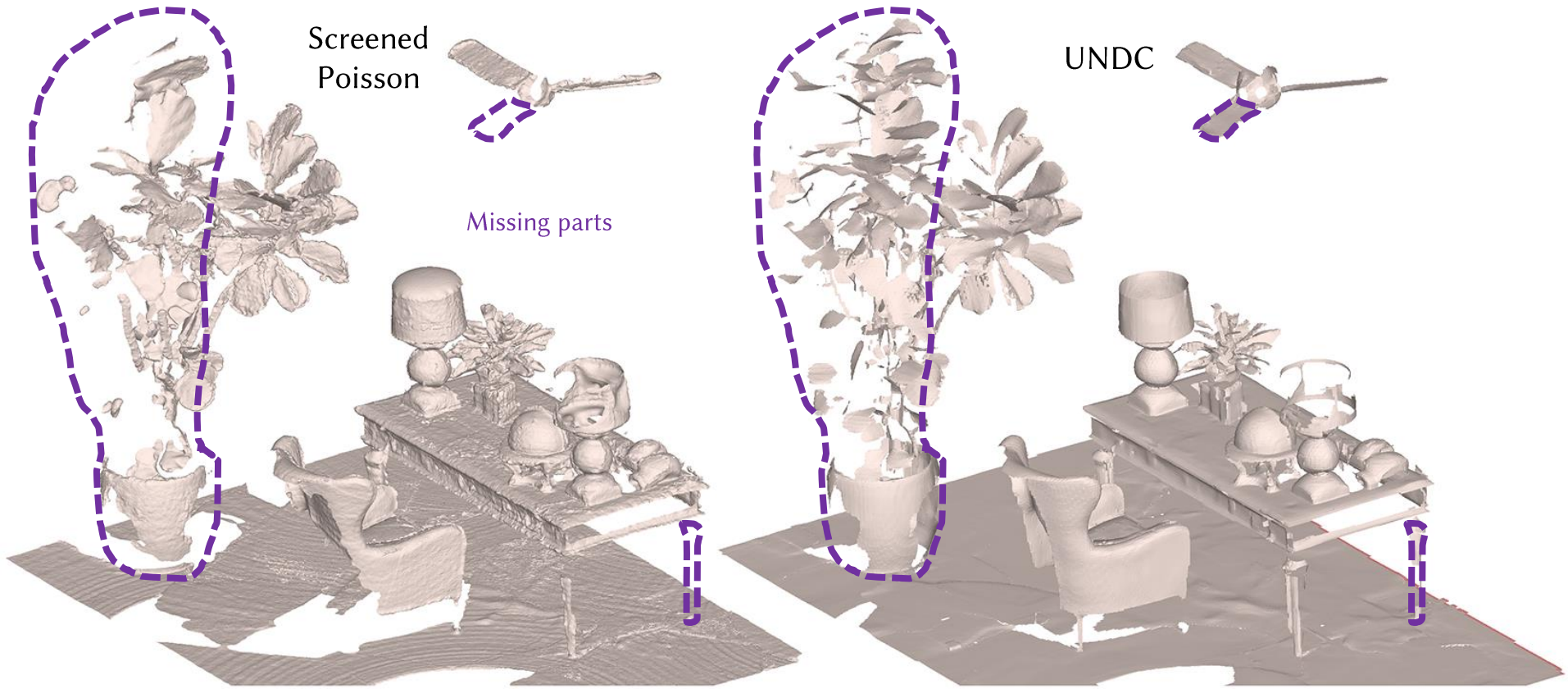
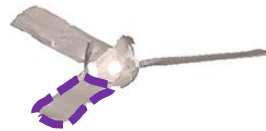
# Reconstruction from noisy real scans

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Missing parts

UNDC



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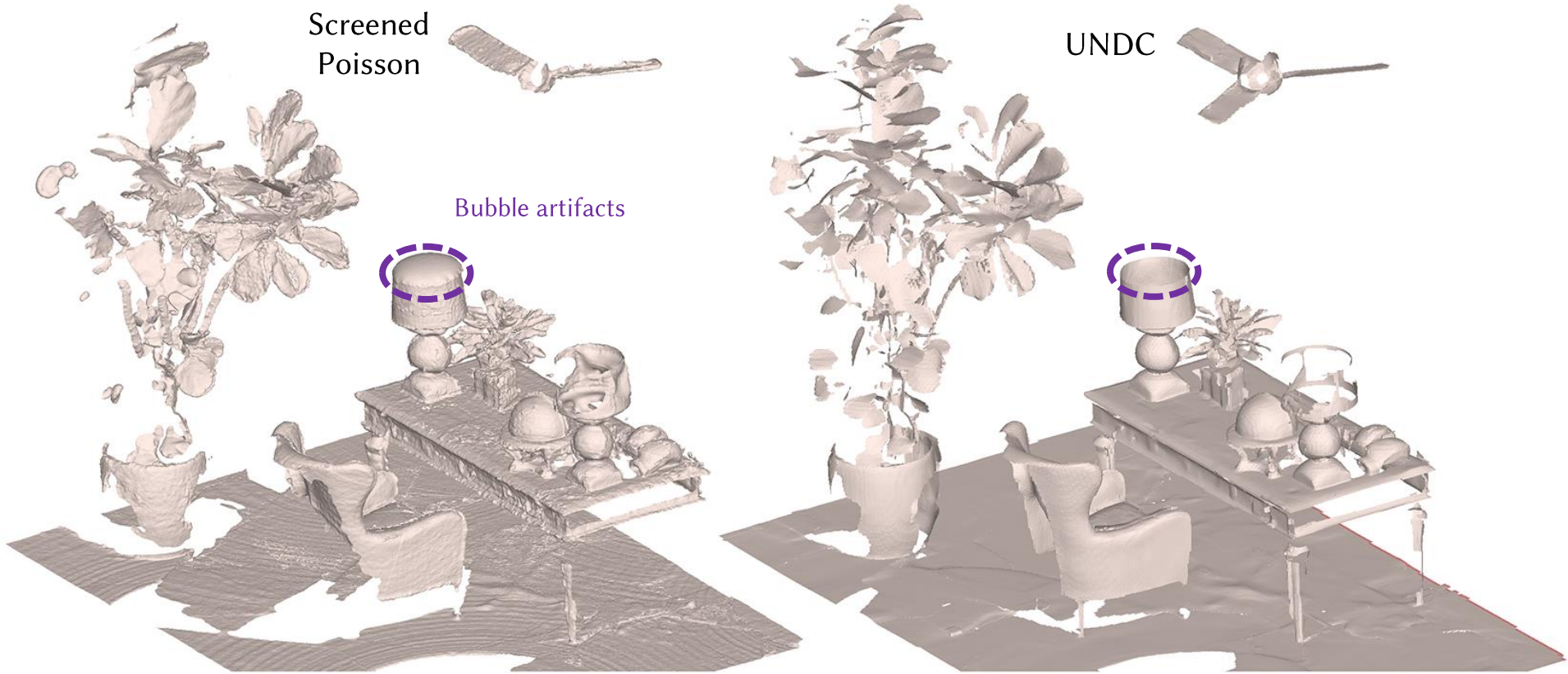
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Bubble artifacts



UNDC



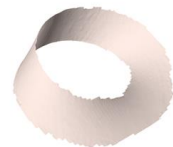
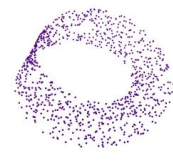
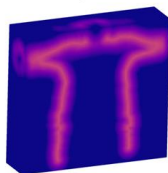
# Overview



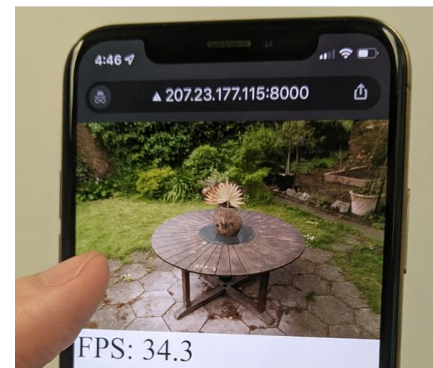
**Neural Marching Cubes**  
(SIGGRAPH Asia 2021)



Grid of unsigned distances      Point cloud without normals



**Neural Dual Contouring**  
(SIGGRAPH 2022)



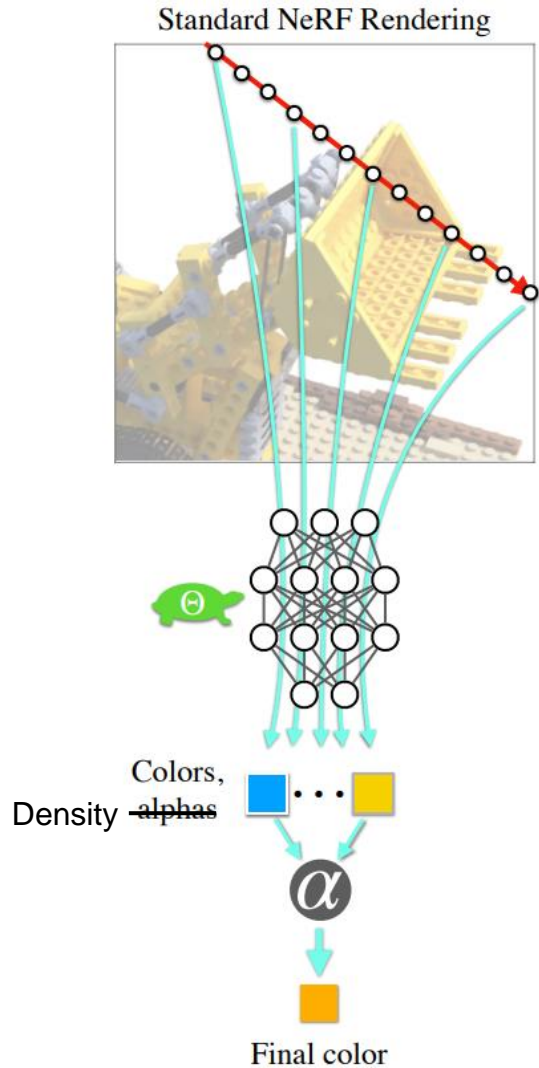
**MobileNeRF**  
(Arxiv 2022)



# Motivation

Traditional NeRF methods rely on volumetric rendering.

> Slow: because many sampled points have to be evaluated for each ray (pixel).

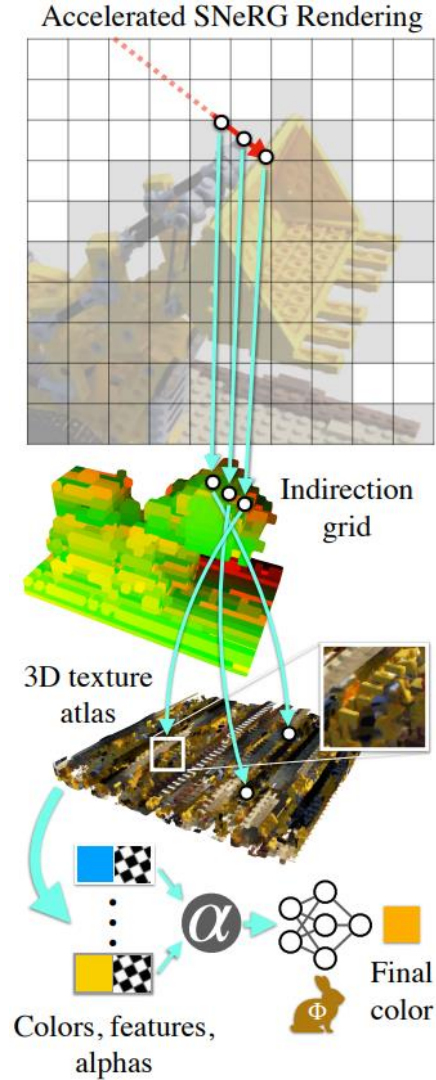


# Motivation

Recent NeRF methods speed up inference by “baking” the MLP evaluation results into sparse 3D voxel grids.

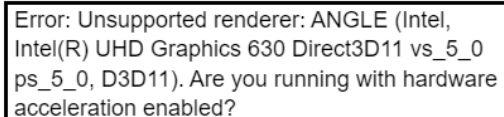
E.g., SNeRG, PlenOctrees.

> Large: Because 3D texture has to be stored in GPU for fast accessing.



# Motivation

> Compatibility: Most NeRF methods need cuda and high-end machines.



Error: Unsupported renderer: ANGLE (Intel, Intel(R) UHD Graphics 630 Direct3D11 vs\_5\_0 ps\_5\_0, D3D11). Are you running with hardware acceleration enabled?

Frames per second: 125.52

SNeRG

10:18

📶 100%

## Real-time Online Demo

We're excited to present a live demo that works in modern browsers. Click on one of the scenes below to open the demo app.

**Note:** Our full models are on the order of 2GB in size; for online viewing, the PlenOctrees used are *lower resolution, quantized* versions of 34-125MB, losing approximately 0.5-1.5 dB in PSNR.

Unfortunately, mobile and tablet devices are not currently supported due to WebGL compatibility issues. We hope to support this in the future.

PlenOctrees

# Our method

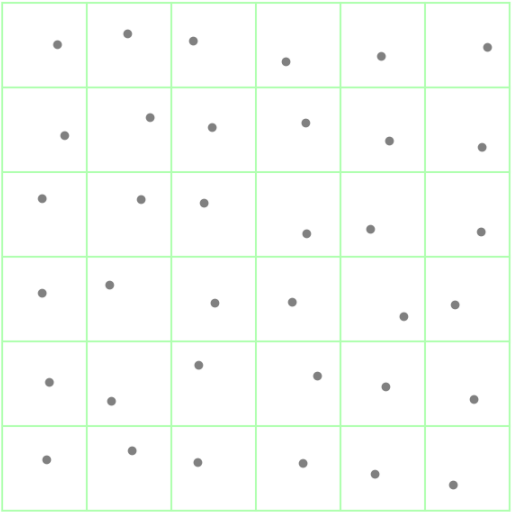
We want to use textured triangle mesh as the representation.

- > Compatibility: All GPUs in modern devices can render triangles.
- > Speed: GPUs are optimized to render triangles extremely fast.
- > Memory: Storing 2D textures consumes much less memory than 3D textures.

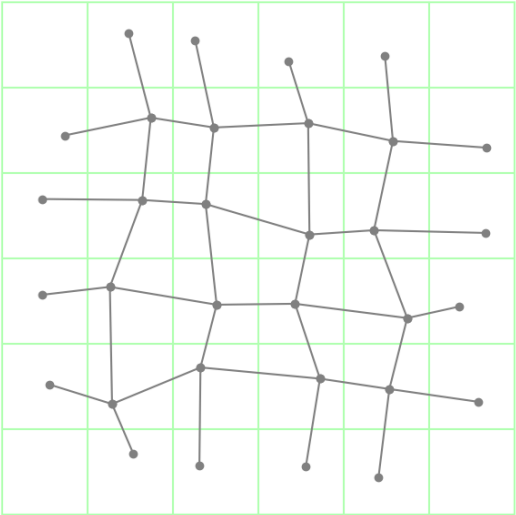


# UNDC + Differentiable renderer

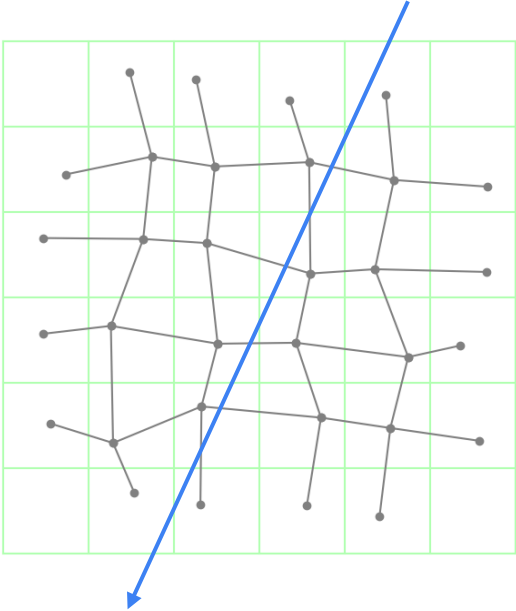
1. Store a grid of vertices



2. Connect adjacent vertices to form faces



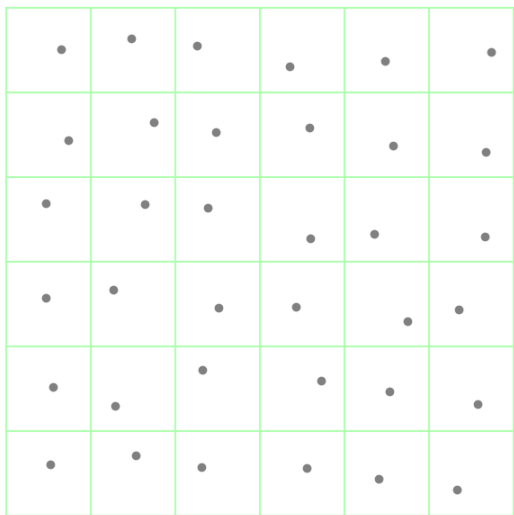
3. Compute intersections; then do NeRF



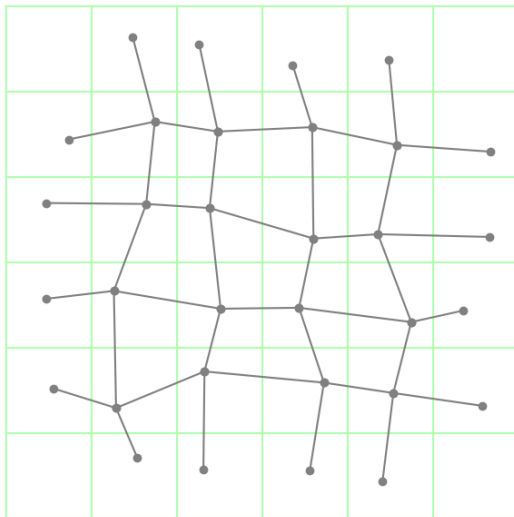
# UNDC + Differentiable renderer

Intersection computation  
is efficient!

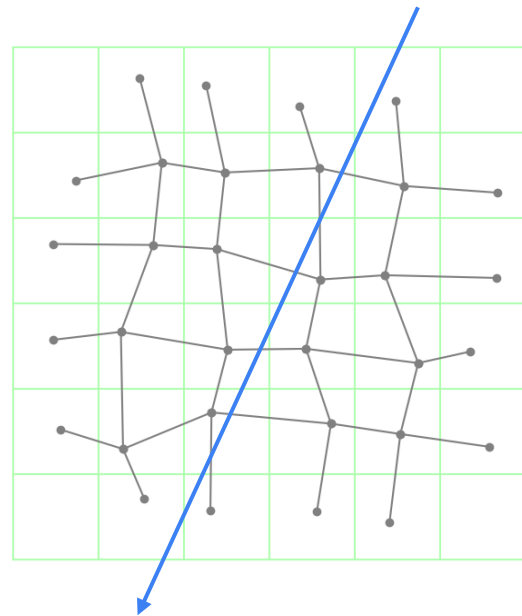
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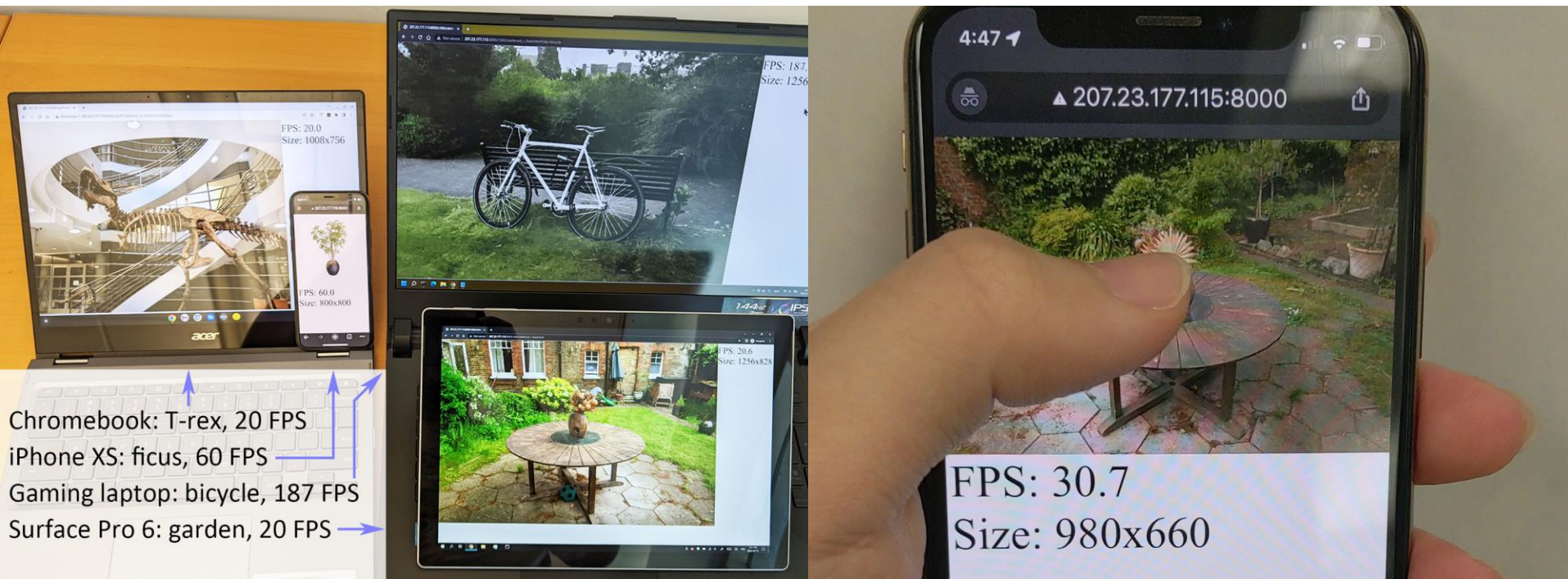


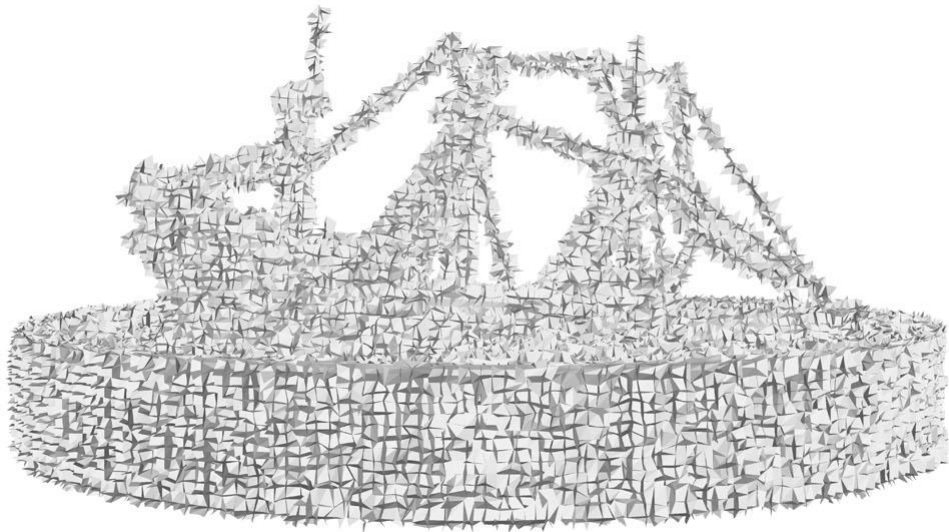
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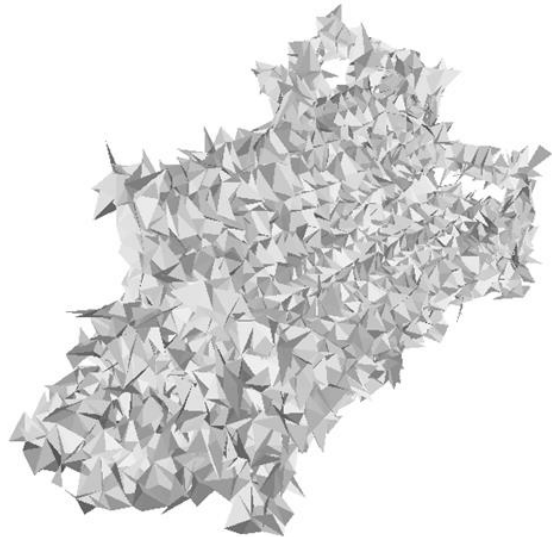
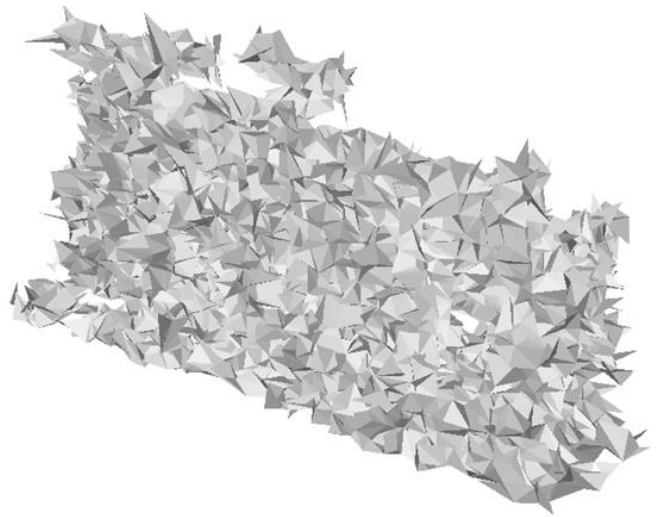


Our triangle mesh



Our rendered output

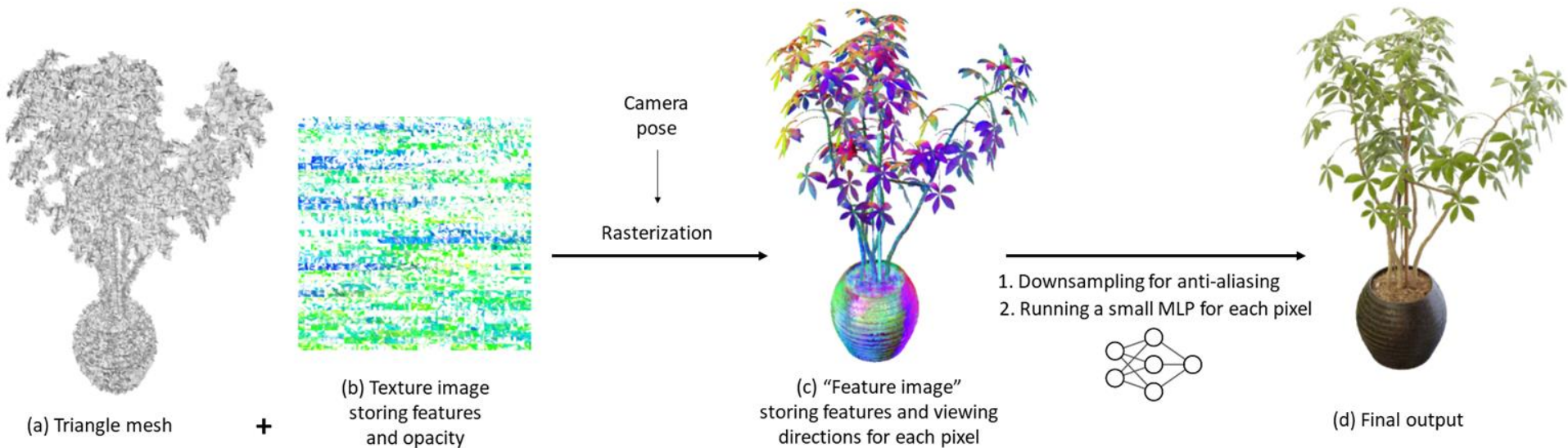




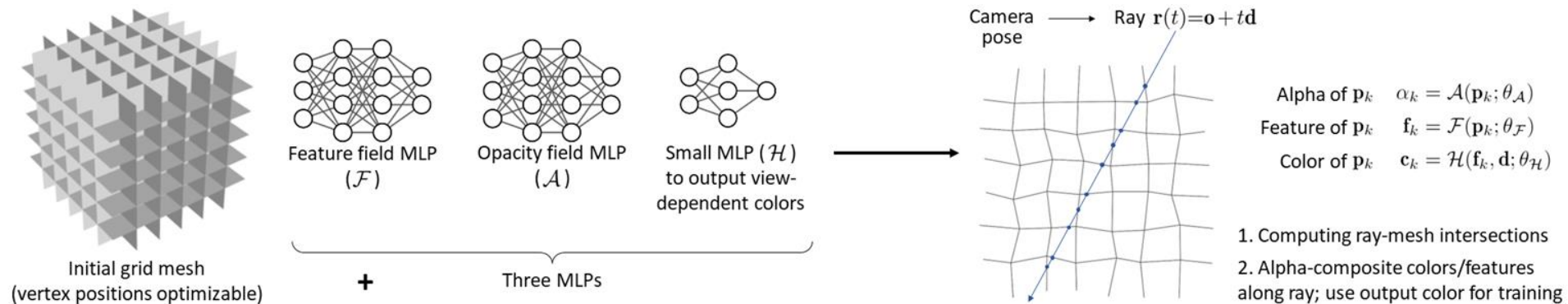
# View dependent effects

> store 8-d features instead of 3-d RGB colors in the texture image.

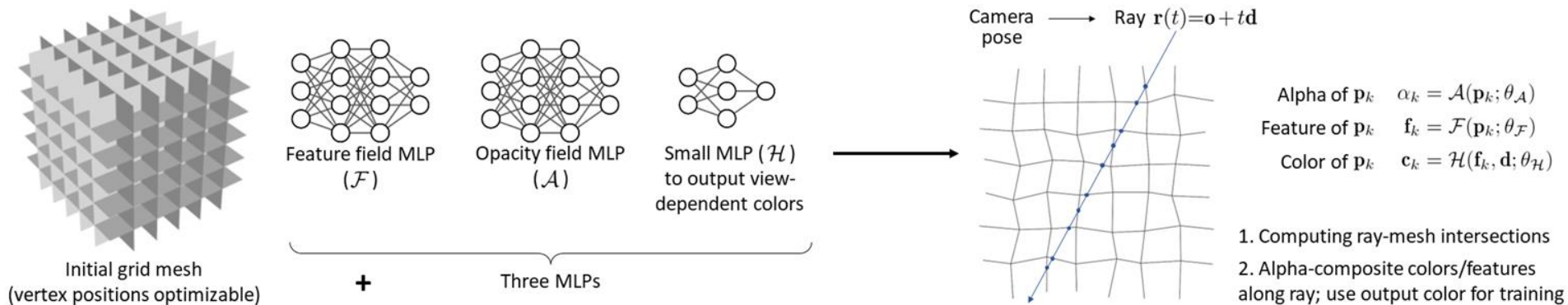
> use a tiny MLP running in a GLSL fragment shader to produce the output color.



# Training - stage 1



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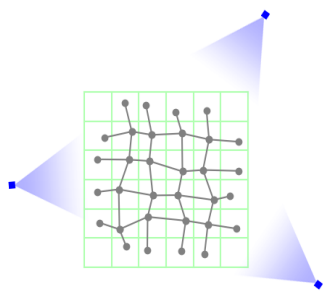
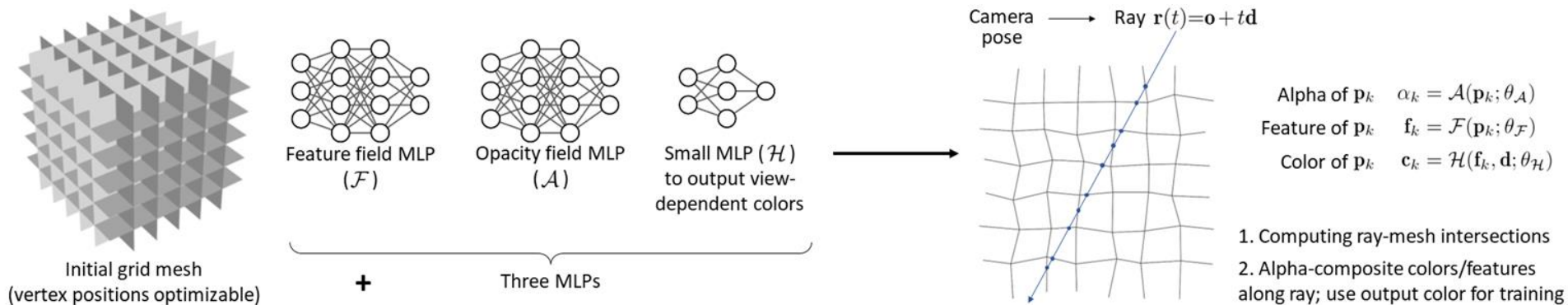


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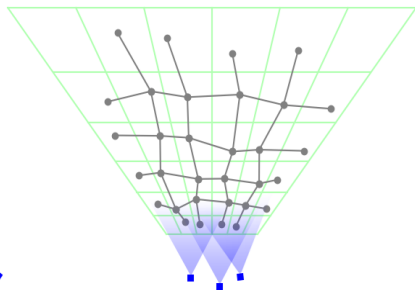
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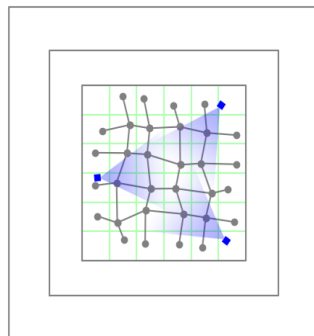
# Training - stage 1



(a) Synthetic 360° scene



(b) Forward-Facing scene



(c) Unbounded 360° scene

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# Training - stage 2

1. Binarization



2. Supersampling  
(for antialiasing)

(for antialiasing)



Ground truth

With SS

Without SS

# Training - stage 3

Extract the mesh

> store visible triangles in OBJ files.

Bake textures

> store the features and alpha into PNG texture images.

Cache the neural renderer

> store the MLP weights into a JSON file

# Online demo

<https://mobile-nerf.github.io>

— Synthetic 360° scenes —



Chair



Drum



Plant



Hotdog



Tractor



Hats



Mic



Ship

— Forward-facing scenes —



Plant



Flower



Porcelain



Head



Leaves



Orchids



Room



Body

— Unbounded 360° scenes —



Bicycle



Garden



Stump



Garden & Swamp

# Results

Device	Type	OS	GPU	Power
iPhone XS	Phone	iOS 15	Integrated GPU	6W
Pixel 3	Phone	Android 12	Integrated GPU	9W
Surface Pro 6	Tablet	Windows 10	Integrated GPU	15W
Chromebook	Laptop	Chrome OS	Integrated GPU	15W
Gaming laptop	Laptop	Windows 11	NVIDIA RTX 2070	115W
Desktop	PC	Ubuntu 16.04	NVIDIA RTX 2080 Ti	250W

Table 1. Devices used in our experiments. The power is the max GPU power for discrete NVIDIA cards, and the combined max CPU and GPU power for integrated GPUs.

Dataset Method	Synthetic 360°		Forward-facing		Unbounded 360°
	Ours	SNeRG	Ours	SNeRG	Ours
GPU memory	<b>538.38</b>	2707.25	<b>759.25</b>	4312.13	1162.20
Disk storage	125.75	<b>86.75</b>	<b>201.50</b>	337.25	344.60

Table 3. GPU memory and disk storage in MB.

Dataset Method	Synthetic 360°		Forward-facing		Unbounded 360°
	Ours	SNeRG	Ours	SNeRG	Ours
iPhone XS	<b>55.89</b>	0.0 <sub>0/0/0/0/0</sub>	<b>27.19</b> <sub>2/8</sub>	0.0 <sub>0/0/0/0/0</sub>	22.20 <sub>4/5</sub>
Pixel 3	<b>37.14</b>	0.0 <sub>0/0/0/0/0</sub>	<b>12.40</b>	0.0 <sub>0/0/0/0/0</sub>	9.24
Surface Pro 6	<b>77.40</b>	Unsupported	<b>21.51</b>	Unsupported	19.44
Chromebook	<b>53.67</b>	22.62 <sub>0/0/2</sub>	<b>19.44</b>	7.85 <sub>3/8</sub>	15.28
Gaming laptop	<b>178.26</b>	8.30 <sub>1/8</sub>	<b>57.72</b>	3.63	55.32
Gaming laptop ⚡	<b>606.73</b>	43.87 <sub>1/0/1</sub>	<b>250.17</b>	26.01	192.59
Desktop ⚡	<b>744.91</b>	207.26	<b>349.34</b>	50.71	279.70

Table 2. The rendering speed on various devices in Frames Per Second (FPS). The devices are on battery, except for the gaming laptop and the desktop which are plugged in, indicated with a ⚡. The mobile devices (first four rows) have almost identical rendering speed when plugged in.  $\frac{M}{N}$  means that  $M$  out of  $N$  testing scenes failed to run due to out-of-memory error.

# Results

	Synthetic 360°			Forward-facing		
	PSNR↑	SSIM↑	LPIPS↓	PSNR↑	SSIM↑	LPIPS↓
NeRF [26]	31.00	0.947	0.081	26.50	0.811	0.250
JAXNeRF [12]	31.65	0.952	0.051	26.92	0.831	0.173
SNeRG [17]	30.38	<b>0.950</b>	<b>0.050</b>	25.63	0.818	<b>0.183</b>
Ours	<b>30.90</b>	0.947	0.062	<b>25.91</b>	<b>0.825</b>	<b>0.183</b>

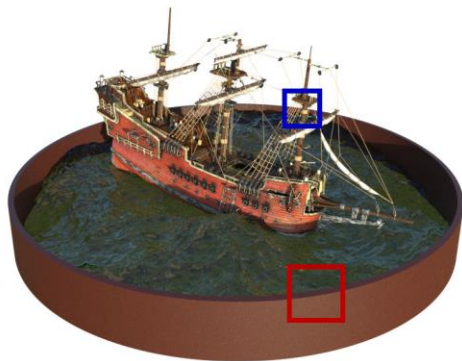
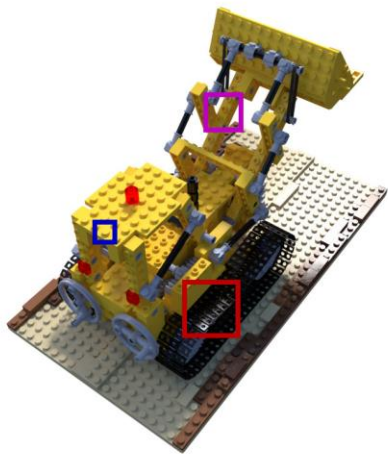
Table 4. Quantitative results on synthetic and forward-facing scenes.

	Unbounded 360°		
	PSNR↑	SSIM↑	LPIPS↓
NeRF [26]	21.46	0.458	0.515
NeRF++ [43]	22.76	0.548	0.427
Ours	21.95	0.470	0.470

Table 5. Quantitative results on unbounded 360° scenes.



# Visual results



(a) Ground truth (b) SNeRG (c) **Our method**

# Scene editing





FPS: 150.9



# Limitations



Ours, viewing from side



Scene: room, forward-facing

(a) Wrong geometry

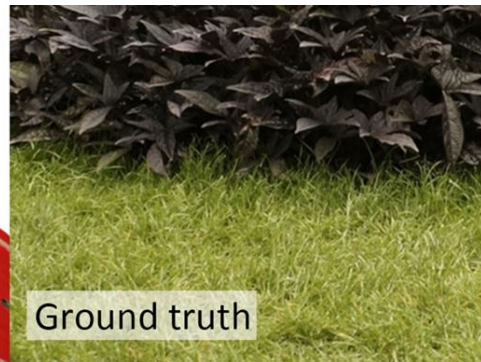


Ours



Scene: drums, synthetic 360°

(b) No semi-transparency



Ours



Scene: flower, unbounded 360°

(c) Fixed mesh resolution



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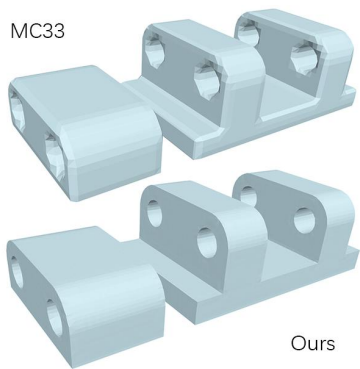
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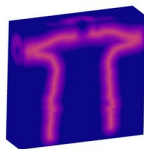
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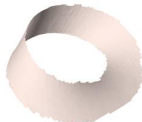
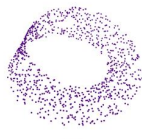
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**Neural Marching Cubes**  
(SIGGRAPH Asia 2021)

Grid of unsigned distances



Point cloud without normals



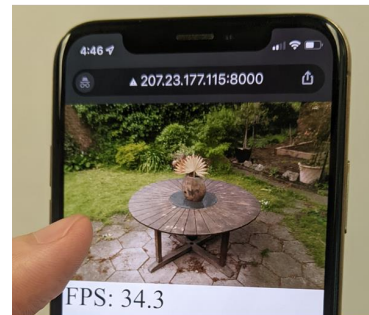
**Neural Dual Contouring**  
(SIGGRAPH 2022)

Code:

[NMC] <https://github.com/czq142857/NMC>

[NDC] <https://github.com/czq142857/NDC>

[MobileNeRF] <https://github.com/google-research/jax3d/tree/main/jax3d/projects/mobilenerf>



**MobileNeRF**  
(Arxiv 2022)

Thank you!