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# Paint Mesh Cutting

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# Outline

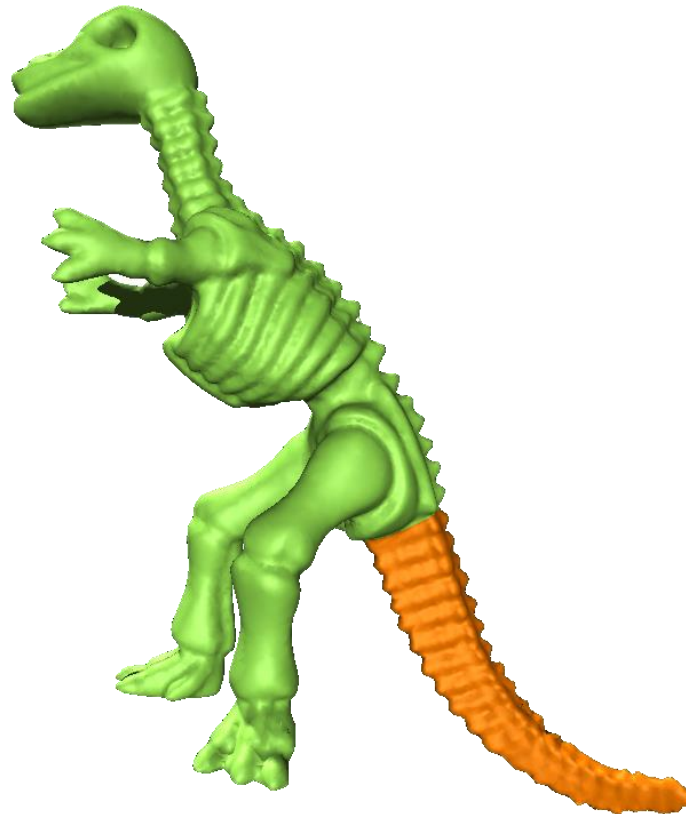
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- **Related work & Motivation**
- **Basic algorithm**
  - Graph cuts based optimization
- **Paint mesh cutting system**
  - Global and local optimization
- **Results & conclusion**
  - Results
  - User study
  - Conclusion

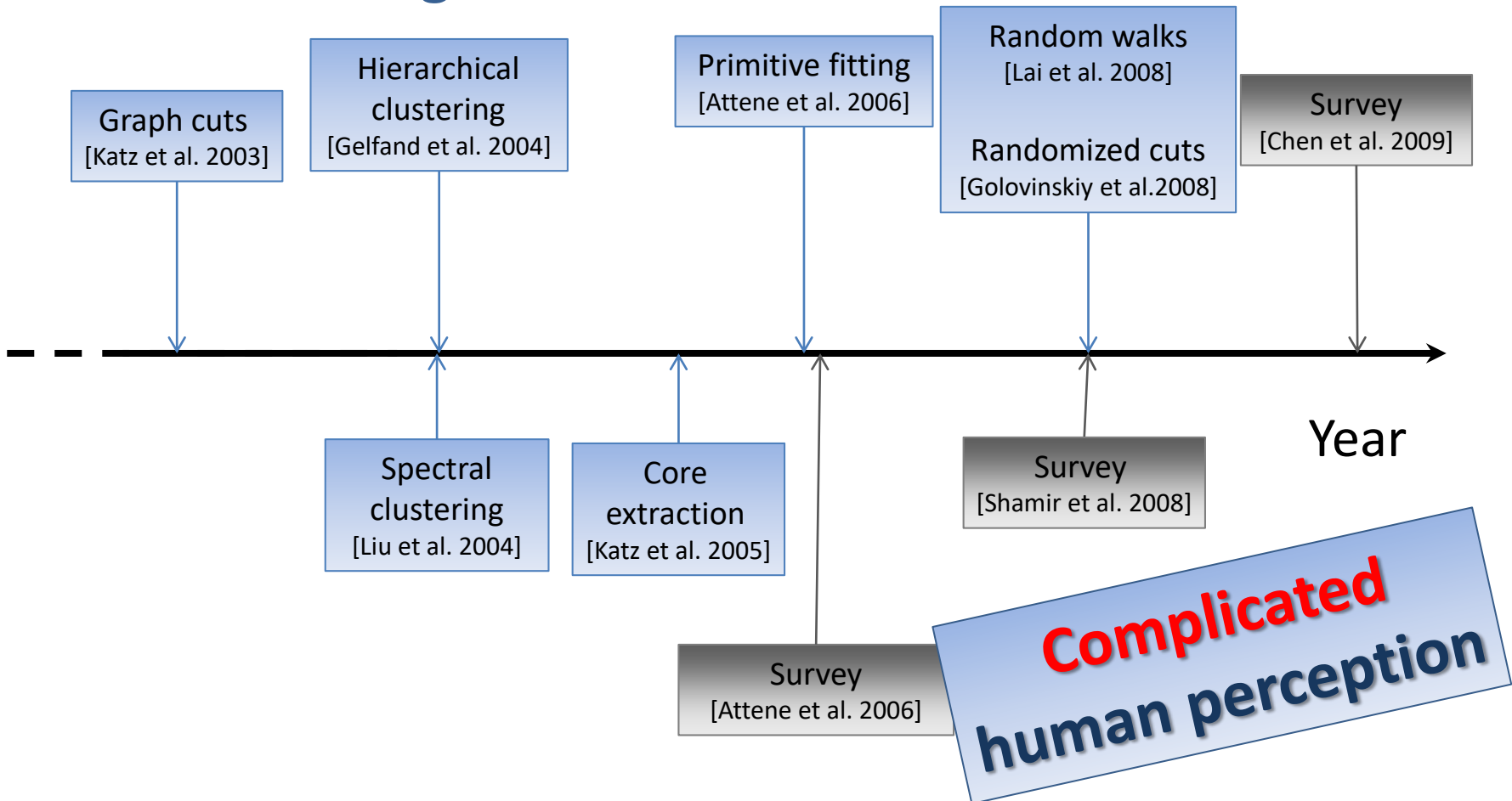
# Motivation

- How to cut out its tail?



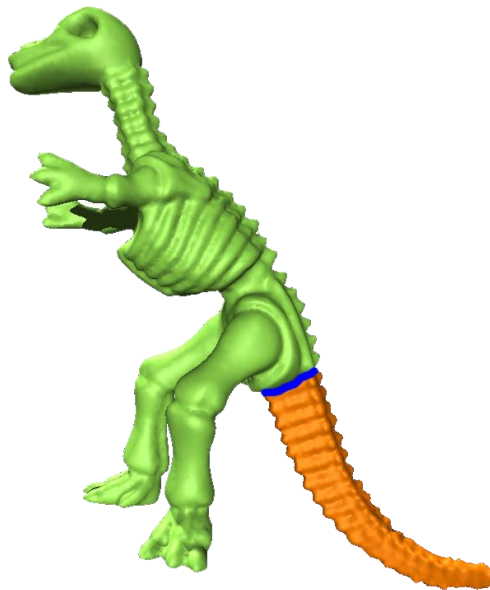
# Motivation

- Automatic algorithms**



# Motivation

- **Interactive** tools for mesh segmentation
  - Direct UI



**Tedious**  
**Time-consuming**

Direct UI

[Funkhouser et al. 2004, Chen et al. 2009]

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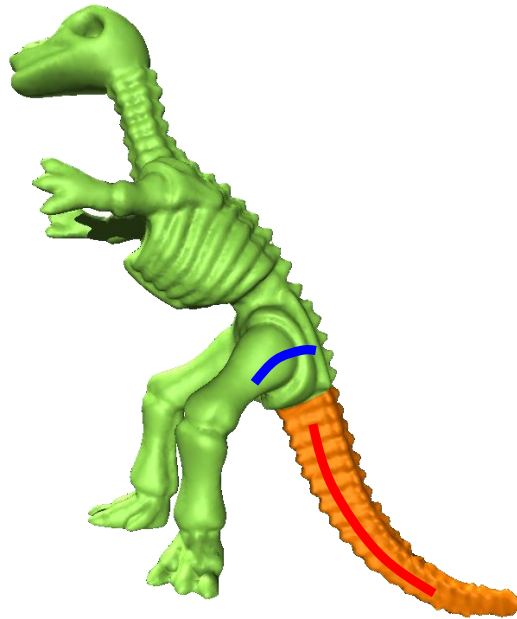
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  - Direct UI
  - Sketch-based UI

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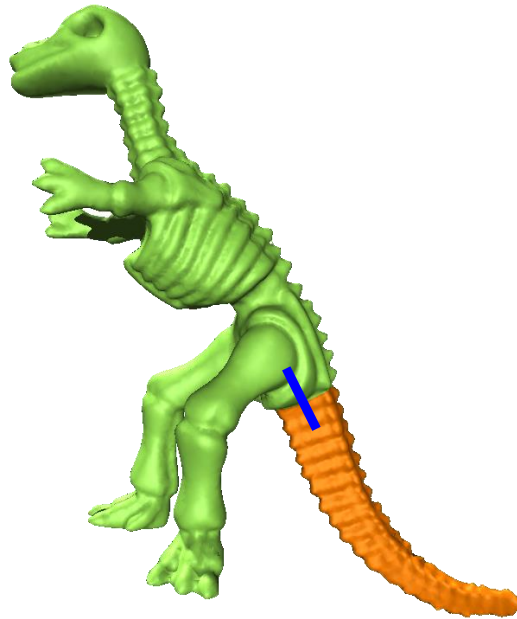
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Foreground/background Brushes (FBB)  
[Ji et al. 2006, Zhang et al. 2010]

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  - Direct UI
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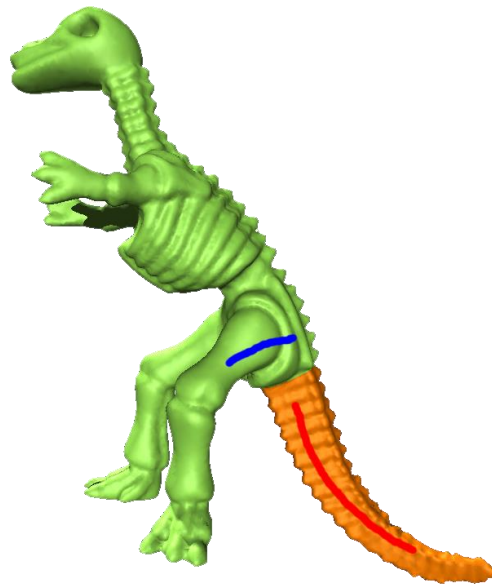


Cross-boundary Brushed (CBB)  
[Zheng et al. 2010]



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- **Interactive** tools for mesh segmentation
  - Direct UI
  - Sketch-based UI



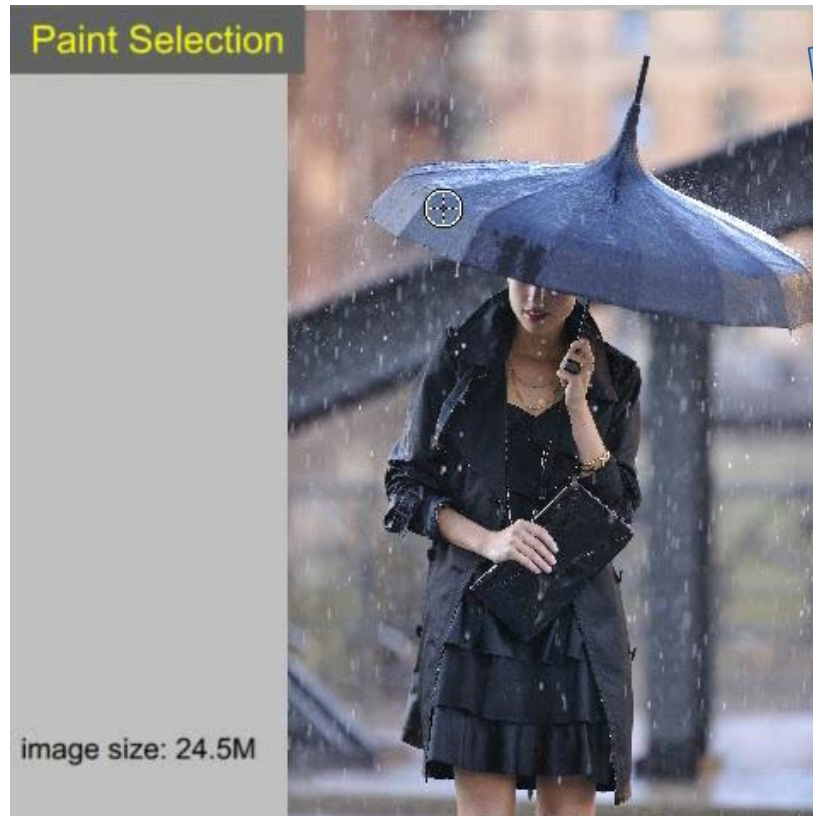
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# Related Work

- Interactive image segmentation
  - Paint Selection [Liu et al. 2009]



**Intuitive UI**  
**Instant feedback**

# Motivation

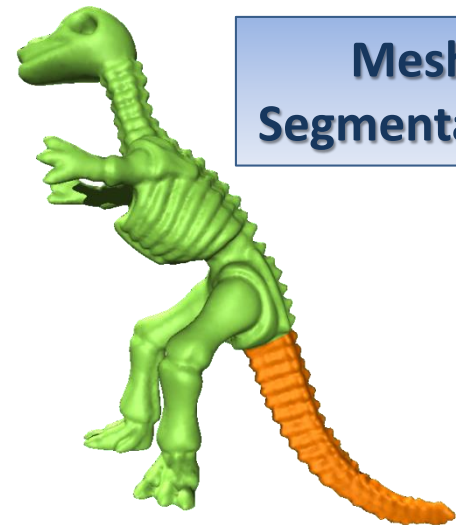
**2D**



Paint Selection [Liu et al. 2009]



**3D**

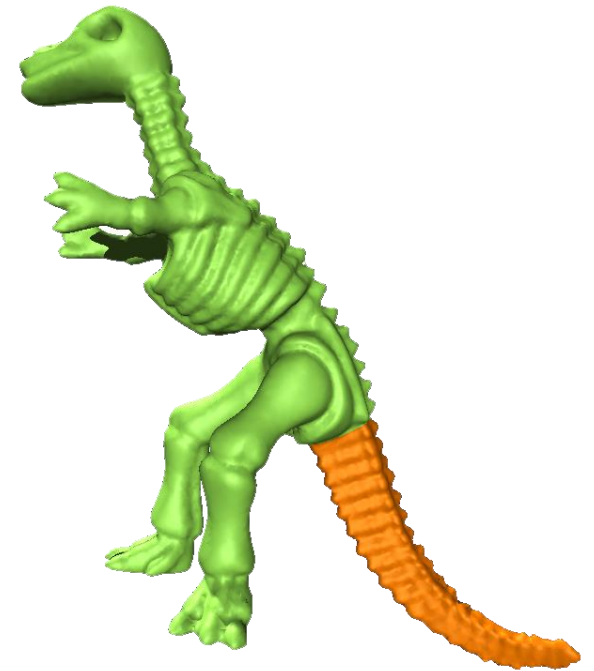


**Mesh  
Segmentation**

# Motivation

- **Our Goal**
  - Easy and simple
  - Natural manner
  - Specify user intention intuitively
  - Instant feedback

**What you paint is what you get!**



# This Work

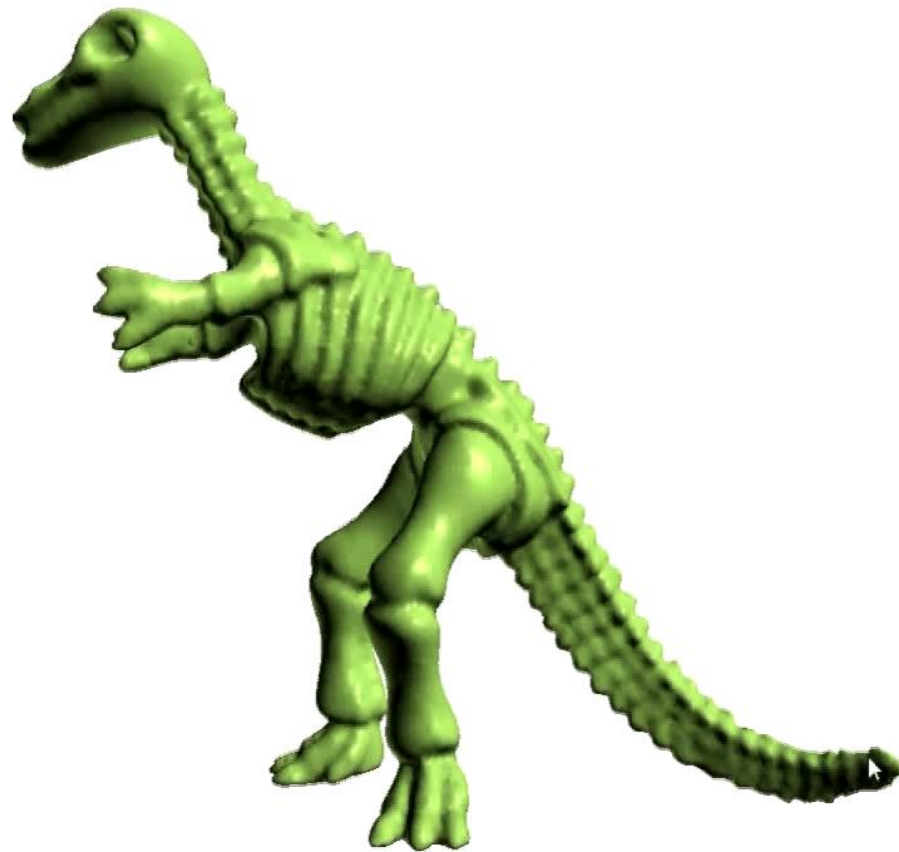
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# This Work

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- Minimize the Energy

$$E(L) = \sum_{v \in V} E_d(l_v) + \lambda \sum_{(v,u) \in \mathcal{E}} E_s(l_v, l_u)$$

$E_d(\square)$  **data term**, the penalty of assigning a label  $l_v$  to vertex  $v$  (1-**foreground**, 0-**background**).

$E_s(\square, \square)$  **smoothness term**, the penalty for assigning different labels to two adjacent vertices  $v$  and  $u$ .

# Data Term – $E_d(\cdot)$

- How to define the penalty in data term?

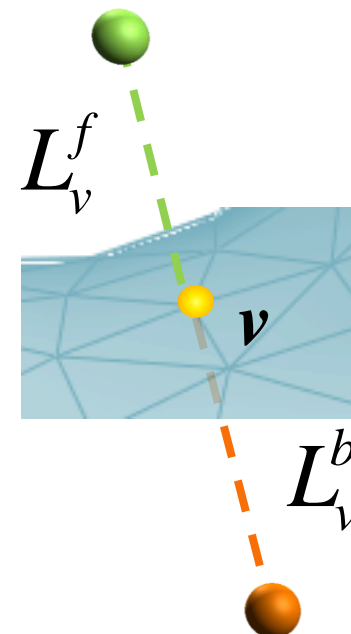
$$E_d(l_v) = l_v \cdot L_v^f + (1 - l_v) \cdot L_v^b$$

$$L_v^f = -\ln \left( \boxed{p_f M(v)} + \varepsilon \right)$$
$$L_v^b = -\ln \left( \boxed{p_b M(v)} + \varepsilon \right)$$

→ Probability

$M(v)$  ← Surface Metric ?

Foreground - 1

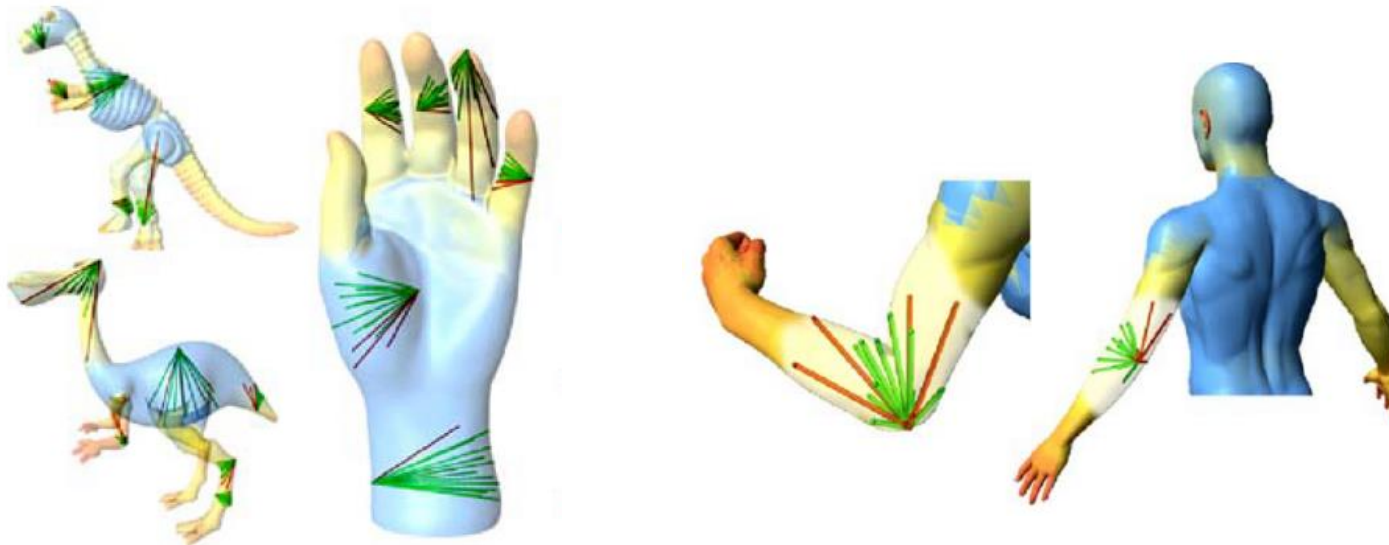


Background - 0



# Surface Metric

- **Shape diameter function(SDF)** [Shamir et al. 2008]
  - Rely on volume information
  - Insensitive to noise
  - Insensitive to pose variation



# Build SDF Models



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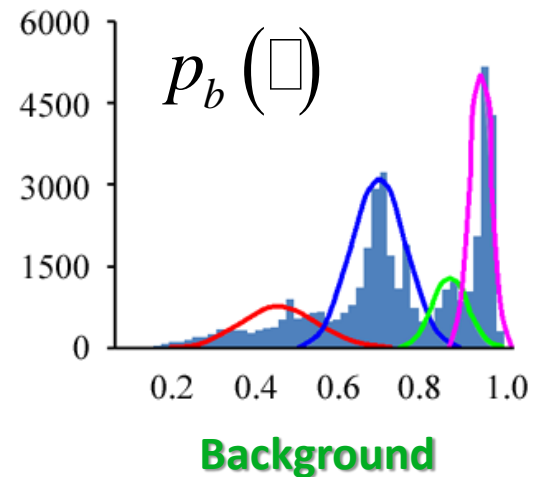
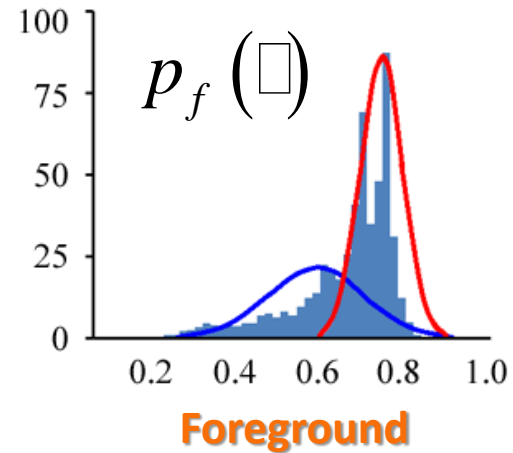
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# Build SDF Models

## Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)

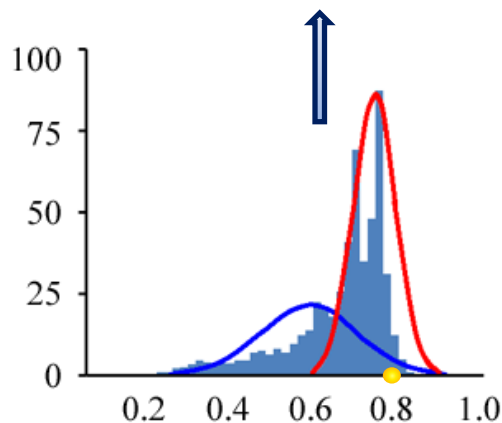


# Data Term – $E_d(\cdot)$

- Data Term

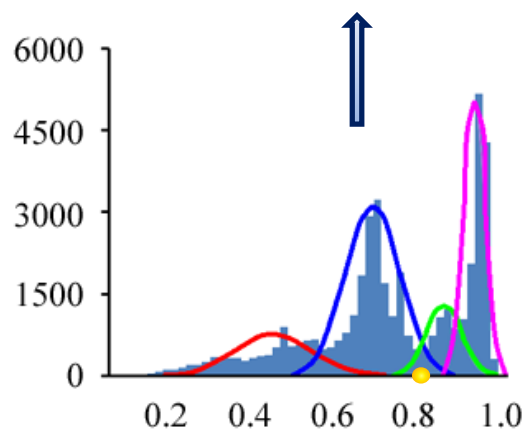
$$E_d(l_v) = \begin{cases} (1-l_v) \cdot K, & \forall v \in S^f \\ l_v \cdot L_v^f + (1-l_v) \cdot L_v^b, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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Foreground

$$L_v^b = -\ln(p_b M(v) + \varepsilon)$$



Background

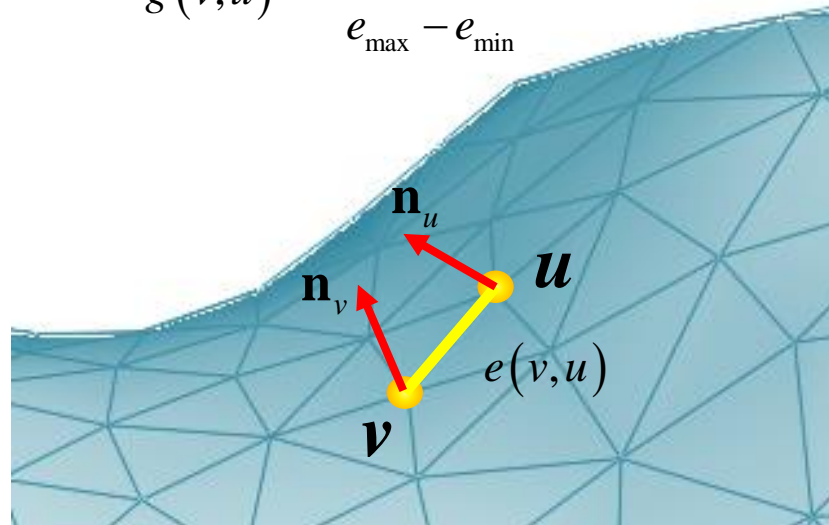


# Energy Terms

- Data Term
- Smoothness Term

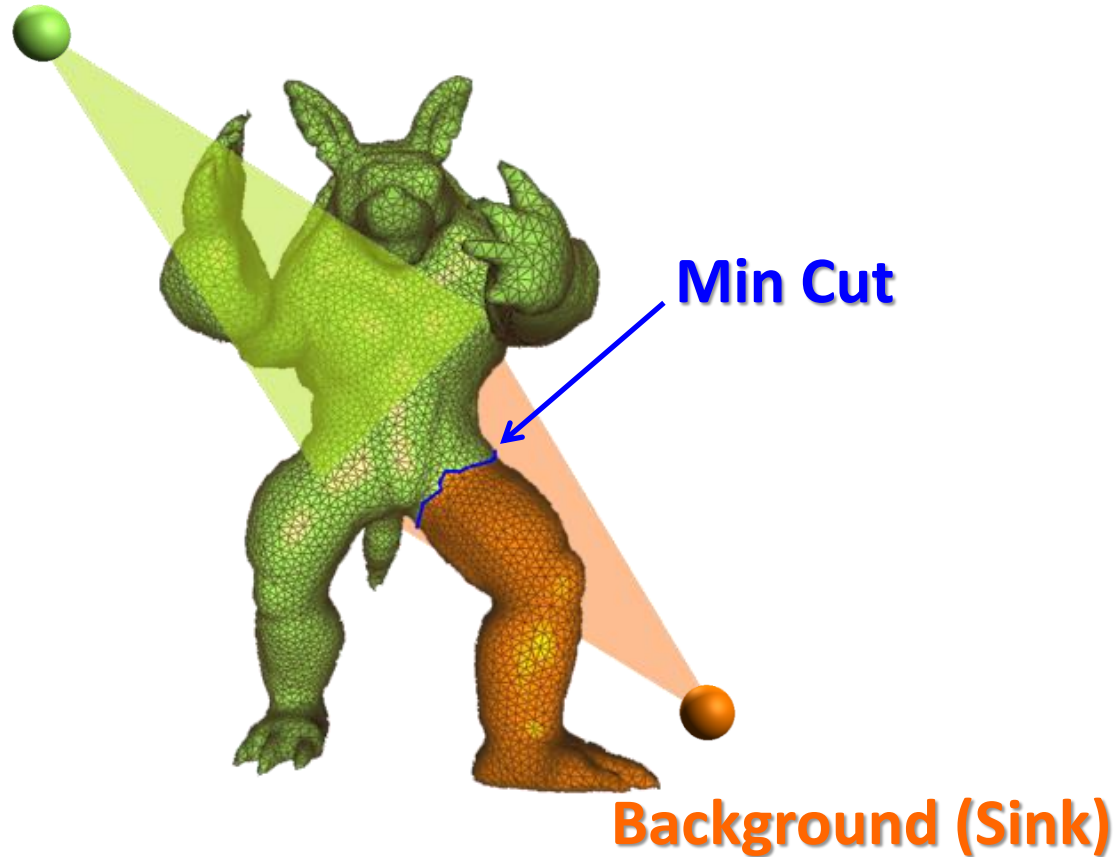
$$E_s(l_v, l_u) = -|l_v - l_u| \cdot \ln((1 - \beta)n(v, u) + \beta g(v, u))$$

$$n(v, u) = \frac{1 - \mathbf{n}_v \cdot \mathbf{n}_u}{2} \quad g(v, u) = \frac{e(v, u) - e_{\min}}{e_{\max} - e_{\min}}$$



# Graph Cuts

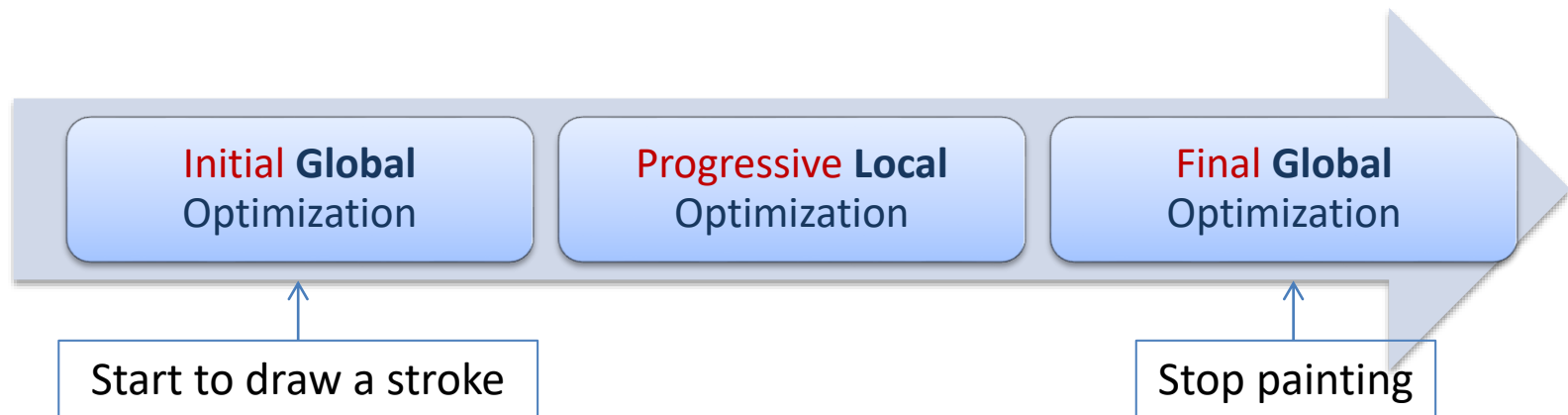
Foreground (Source)



[Boykov and Jolly 2001]

# System Overview

- **Progressive expansion algorithm**



- **Goal**
  - simple and easy to use
  - instant feedback (usually under 0.1 sec.)
  - expand the foreground continuously

# Initial **Global** Optimization



## Algorithm

- Compute SDF values.
- Construct global graph.
- Build the background GMM model  $p_b(\cdot)$  with 4 components.
- Build the foreground GMM model  $p_f(\cdot)$  with 2 components.
- Apply the graph cuts optimization.



# Progressive **Local** Optimization



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# Progressive Local Optimization



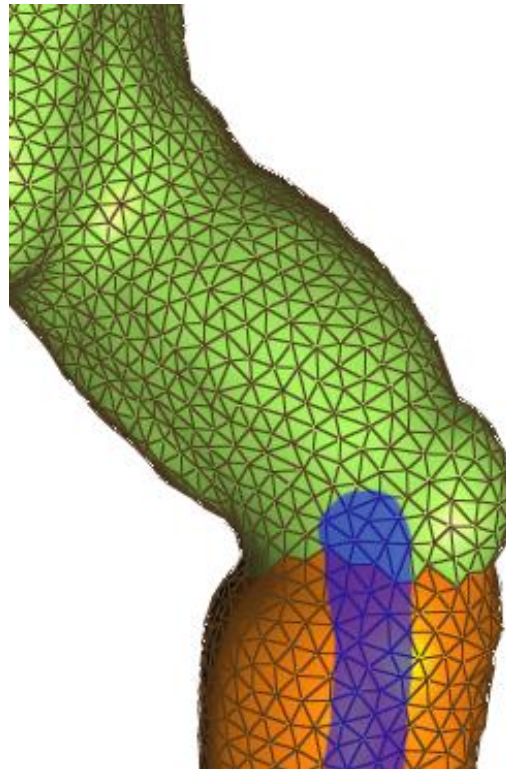
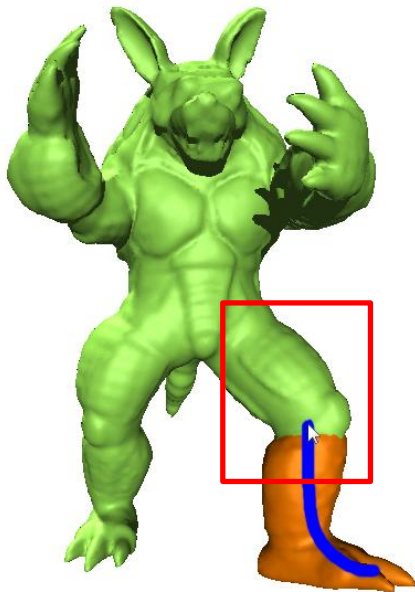
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## Algorithm

- Construct local graph.
- Build  $p_f(\cdot)$  with 1 components.
- Update background sample vertices.
- Update  $p_b(\cdot)$ .
- Apply graph cuts optimization to local graph.



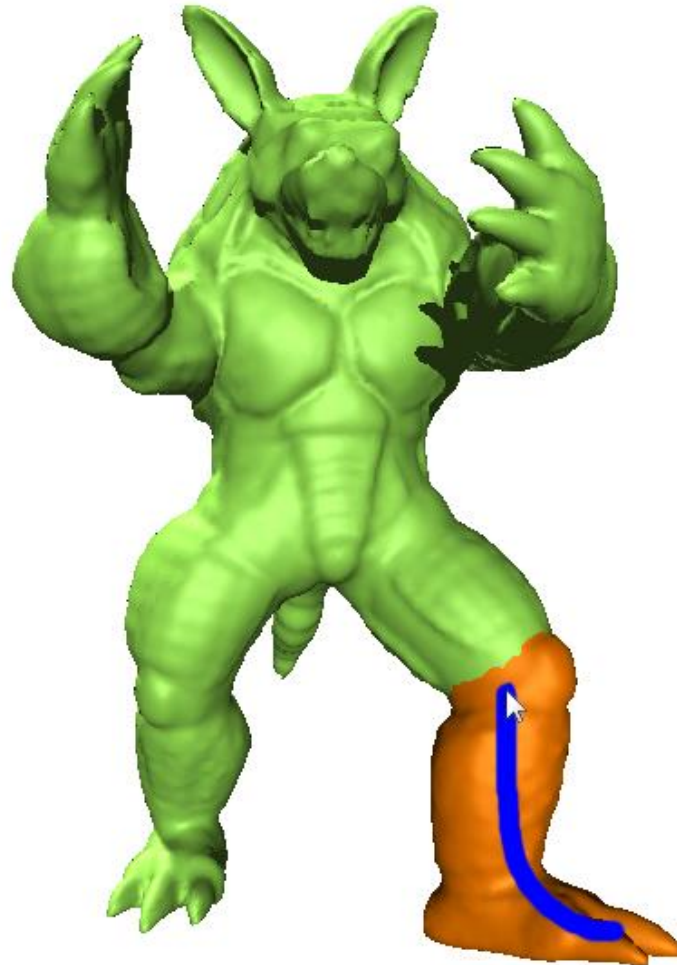
# Progressive Local Optimization



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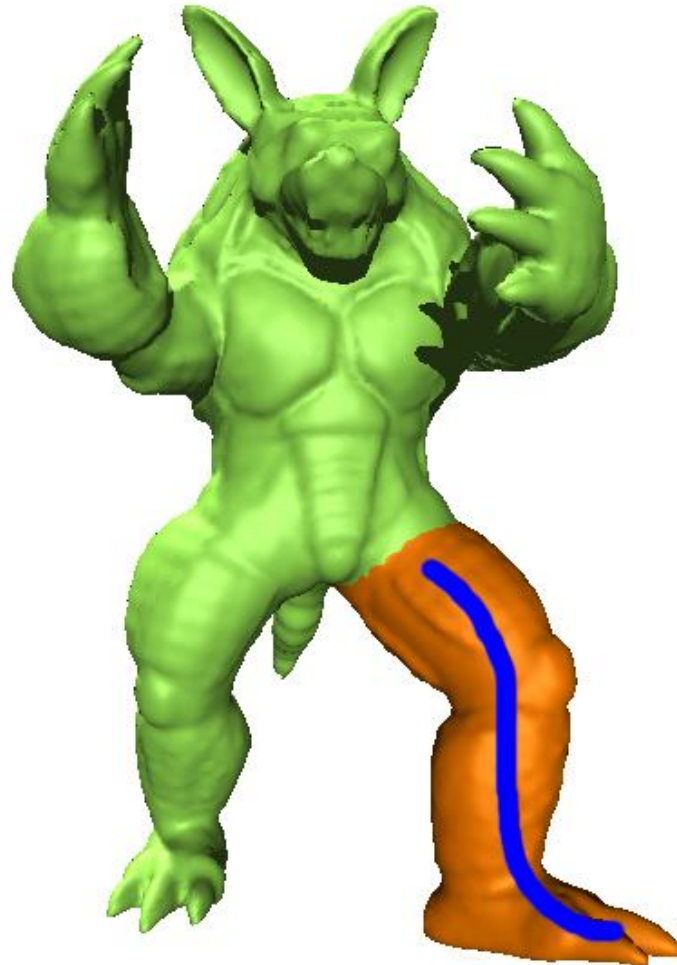
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# Final Global Optimization



## Algorithm

- Update  $p_f(\cdot)$  with 2 components.
- Update  $p_b(\cdot)$  with 4 components.
- Apply the graph cuts optimization.

# Flow Chart



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Original Model



Initial Global Optimization



Progressive Local Optimization



Final Global Optimization



# Implementation Details

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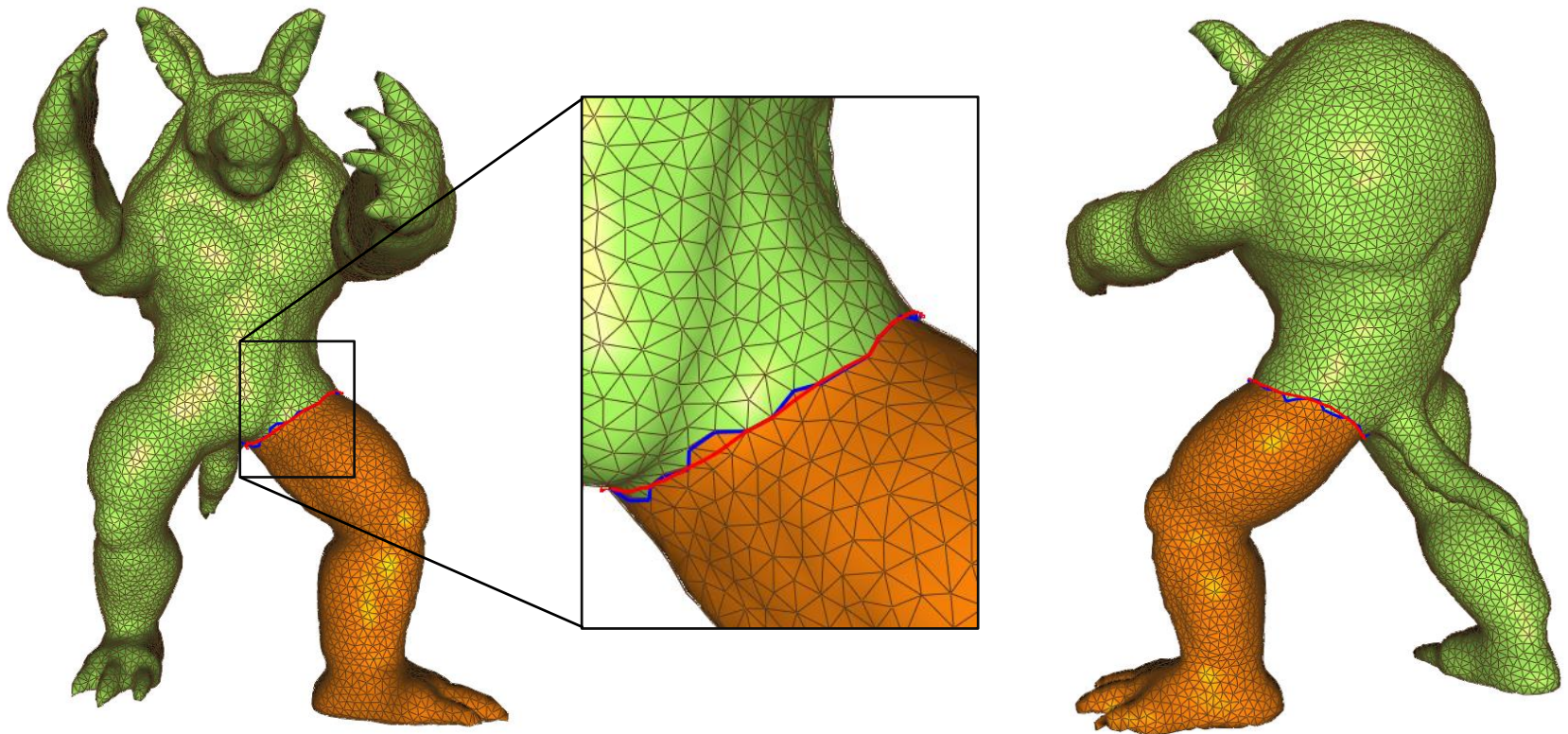
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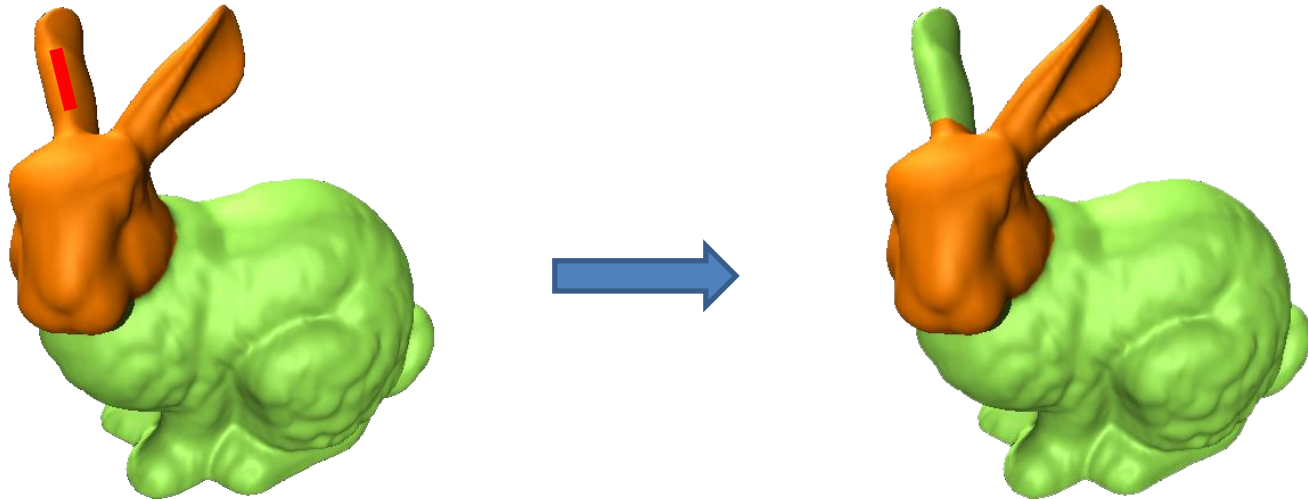
- Cutting boundary refinement
  - Boundary smoothing by *snakes* on mesh [Ji et al. 2006]





# Implementation Details

- Cutting boundary refinement
- Background painting



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# Implementation Details



- Cutting boundary refinement
- Background painting
- **Speedup**
  - Computation of SDF values
    - Interpolation using the Poisson equation [Kovacic et al. 2010]
  - Graph cuts optimization
    - Parallel graph-cut method [Srandmark et al. 2010]

# Results

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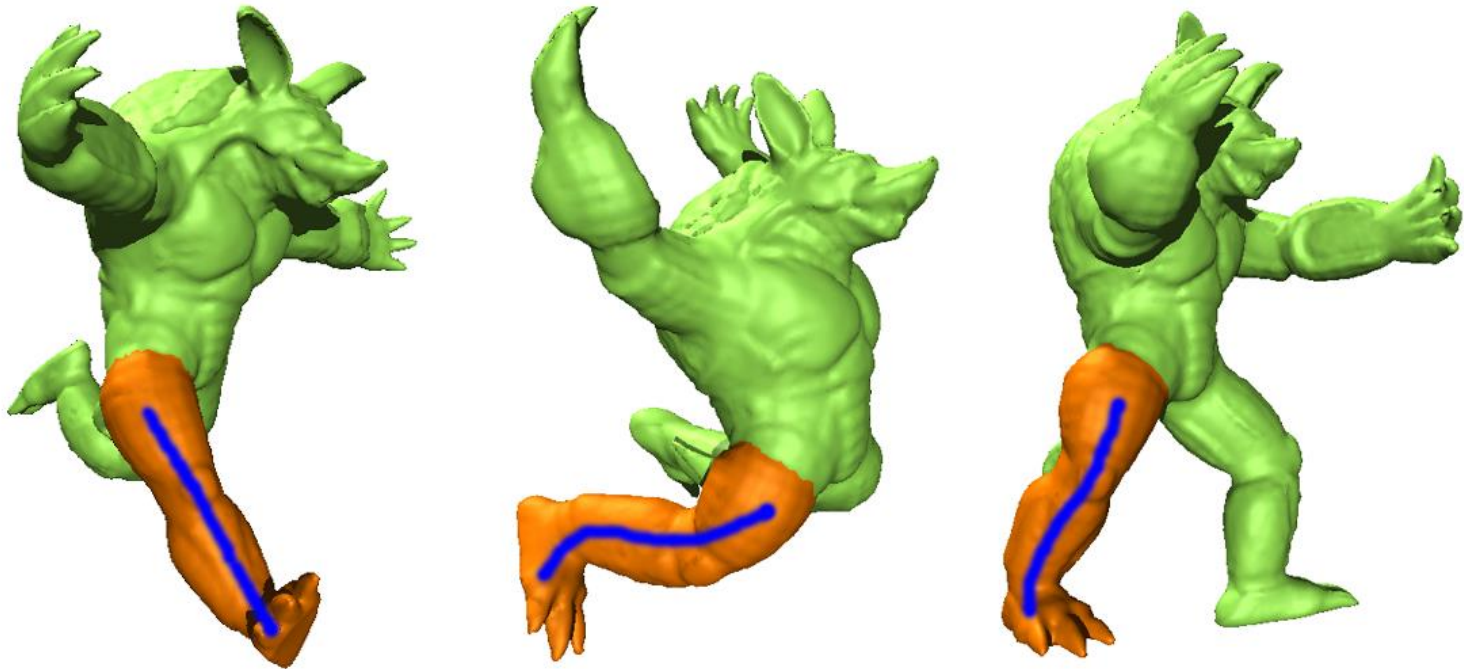
# Results

- Independent on specific brushes



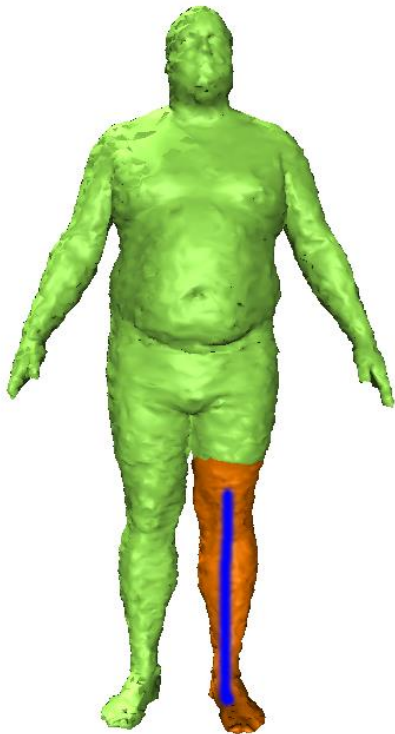
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- Insensitive to pose variation

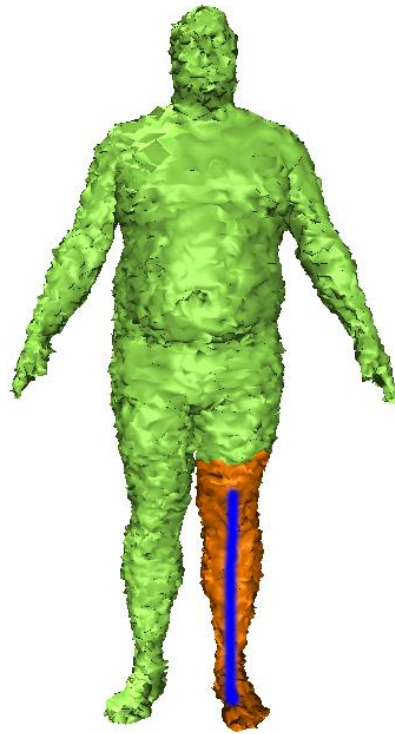


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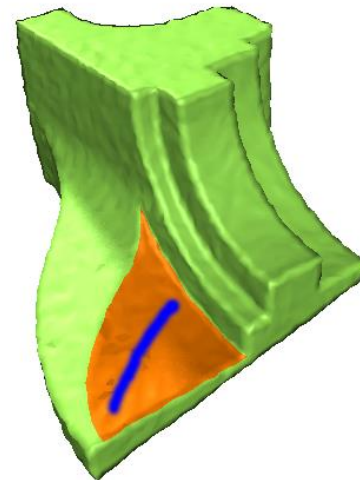
- Insensitive to noise



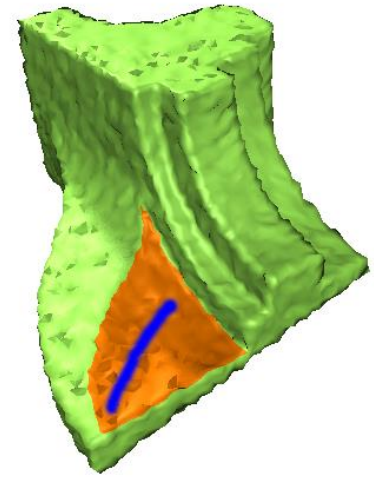
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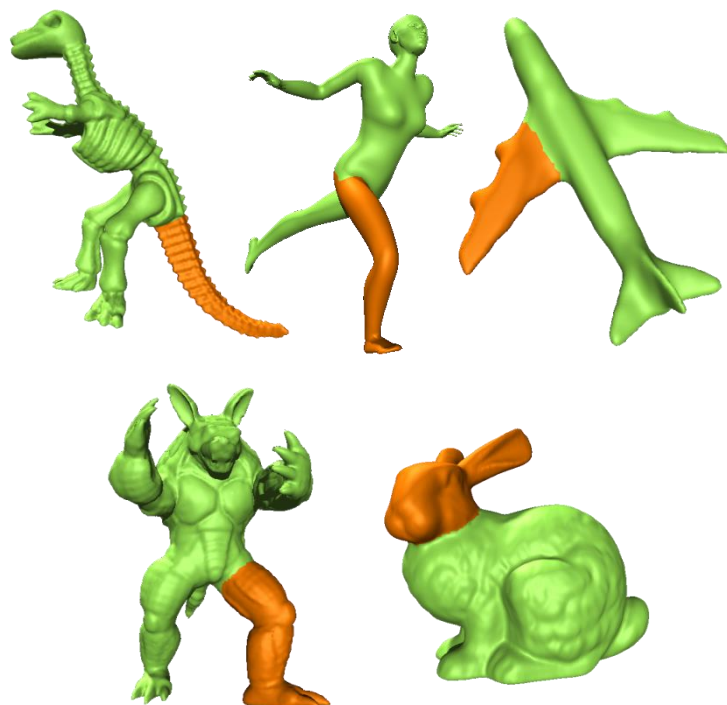
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# Results

- Running time



**< 100 ms**

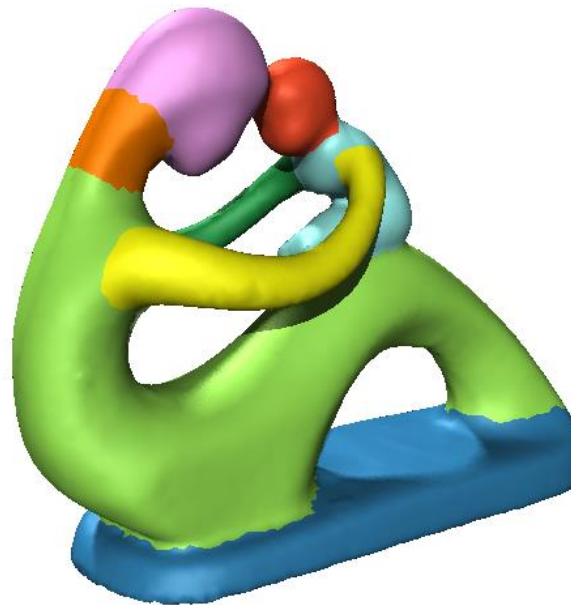
Model	# Vertex	$T_1$ (ms)	$T_2$ (ms)	$T_3$ (ms)
Dino	28,150	53	10	178
Woman	5,691	8	6	27
Airplane	6,797	12	5	24
Armadillo	25,193	36	10	120
Bunny	34,835	54	11	248

\*  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ ,  $T_3$  denote the computation time of the three steps in our algorithm, i.e., the initial global optimization, averaged local optimization, and the final global optimization, respectively.

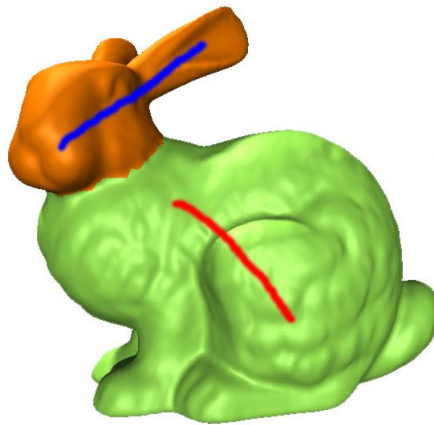


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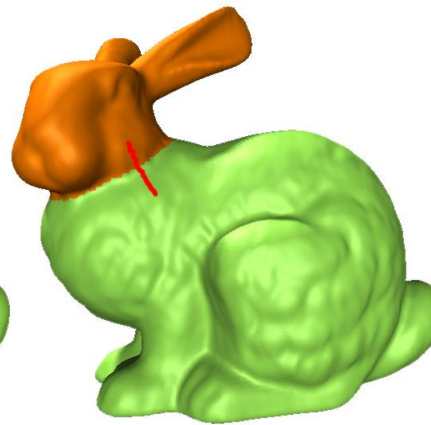
- More



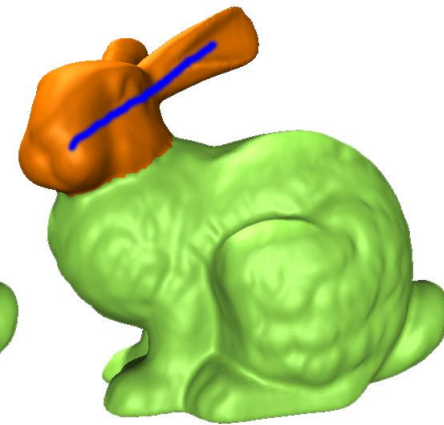
- **Three sketch-based user interface algorithms**
  - Foreground/background brushes (FBB) [Ji et al. 2006]
  - Cross boundary brushes (CBB) [Zheng et al. 2010]
  - Foreground brushes (FB) - **Paint Mesh Cutting**



FBB



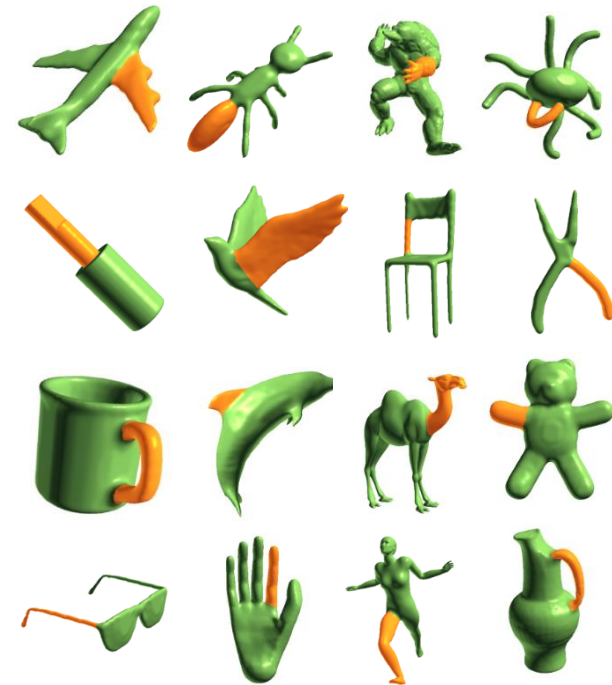
CBB



FB

# User Study

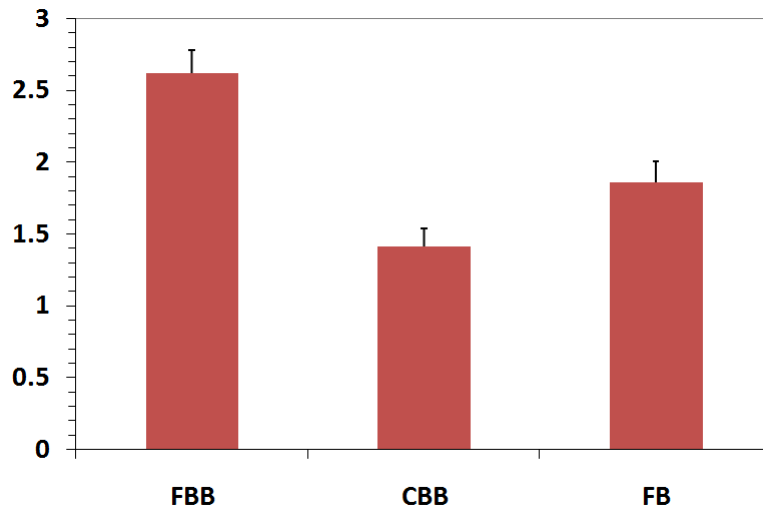
- **Assignment**
  - 16 participants
  - 16 models
  - Each participant test 6 models by using 3 algorithms respectively.
  - A short questionnaire
    - Accuracy
    - Efficiency
    - User intention
    - The favorite algorithm



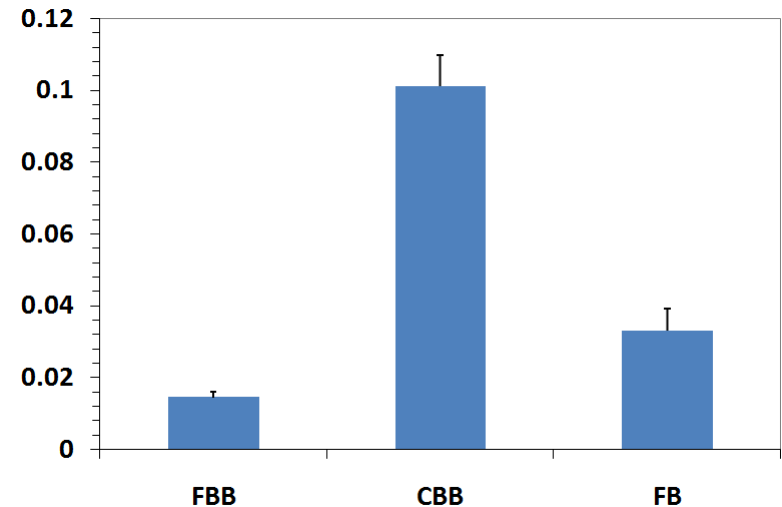
Corpus

# Analysis

- Interaction time



Averaged time and standard error  
of user interactions



Averaged time and standard error  
of the segmentation algorithm

# Analysis

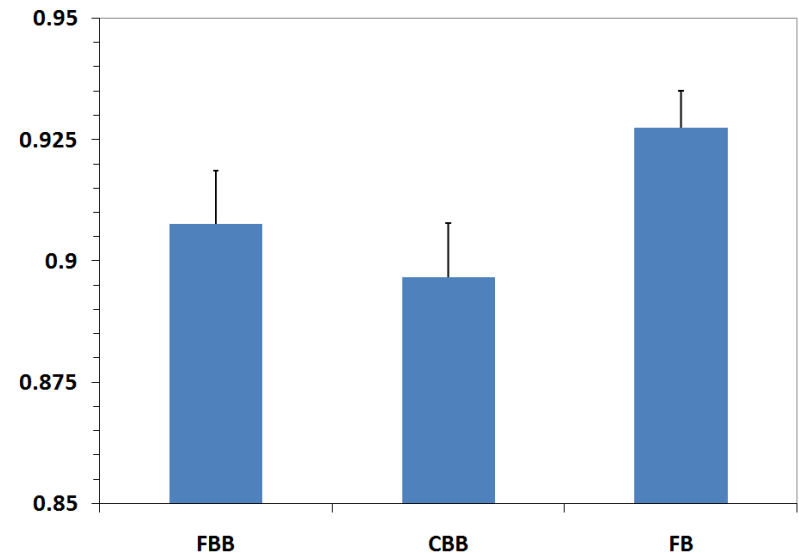
- **Accuracy**

- Region-based measure  
[McGuinness et al. 2010]

$$BJI(S_1, S_2) = \frac{\|S_1^0 \cap S_2^0\|}{\|S_1^0 \cup S_2^0\|}$$

- **Subjective evaluation**

Order	Algorithm
1	FB
2	CBB
3	FBB



Comparison of accuracy for three tools: averaged BJI value and standard error.

# Limitations & Future Work

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- It is difficult to cut out the partial part for smooth surfaces.
- User need to specify many strokes to cut out some semantic parts from highly-detailed regions.

# Conclusion

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- Novel tool for interactive mesh segmentation
- Obtain the cutting results instantly
- Provide users a favorable experience on cutting mesh surfaces
- **What you paint is what you get!**

# Thanks!





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