

Numerical Representation of 3D Object by Means of Implicit Surface

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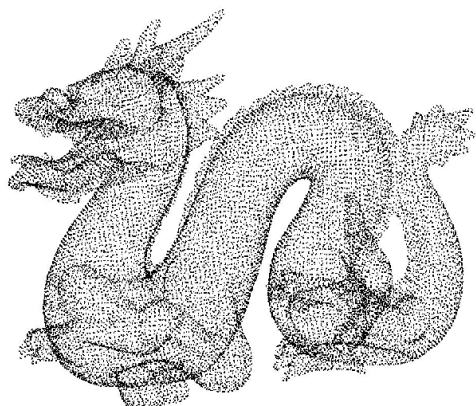


Fig. 1. Discrete points on a 3D object, the coordinates of which are measured by using a laser scanner.

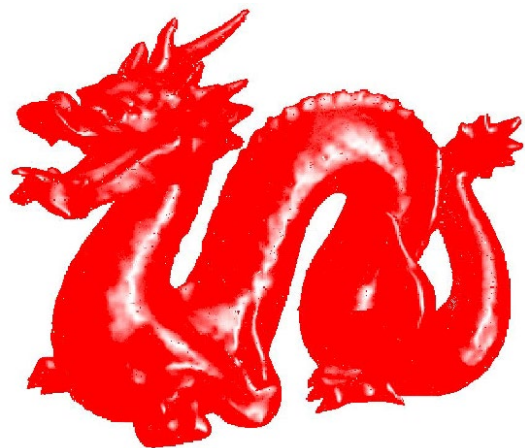


Fig. 2. The implicit surface reconstructed on the basis of the discrete points.

Content: A polygon representation has been so far used for drawing 3-dimensional objects. However, both enormous memory requirements and tremendous operation counts are indispensable for depicting a smooth object surface.

In the present study, discrete points on an object are measured by using a laser scanner or a CT (see Fig. 1) and, subsequently, all the points are interpolated to numerically determine an implicit surface $f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ (see Fig. 2). This method has a following merits:

- 1) An object surface can be drawn smoothly.
- 2) A morphing can be realized by calculating a new implicit function from multiple implicit functions.
- 3) Reconstruction of multiple objects can be processed with a high speed.

In this sense, this method can become a powerful tool for the CG technology.

Appealing point: In the present study, a high-performance method for determining a implicit surface is to be developed. In addition, the resulting method is also planned to be applied to both the structural analysis and the electromagnetic analysis.

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