

GPU Isosurface Raycasting of Volume Datasets Based On Box-Splines

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Introduction

Related Articles

- ▶ [Kim 2012] Minho Kim “*GPU Isosurface Raycasting of FCC Datasets*,” Graphical Models, 2012 (in print)
- ▶ [Kim & Lee 2012] Minho Kim & Young-joon Lee, “*Real-time BCC Volume Isosurface Ray Casting on the GPU*,” Journal of the Korea Computer Graphics Society, Dec. 2012

Objectives

- ▶ Fast spline evaluation on the GPU
 - How to ditch conditional branches & lookup tables?
 - How to minimize data fetch overhead?
 - How to further reduce computational overheads?
- ▶ Fast & accurate normal computation
- ▶ Further performance improvement

GPU Raycasting

- ▶ [Sigg & Hadwiger 2005] tricubic B-spline on the Cartesian lattice
- ▶ [Csébfalvi & Hadwiger 2006] tricubic B-spline on the BCC lattice
- ▶ [Finkbeiner et al. 2010] 8-direction quintic box-spline on the BCC lattice
- ▶ [Kim 2012] 6-direction cubic box spline on the FCC lattice
- ▶ [Kim & Lee 2012] 7-direction quartic box-spline on the BCC lattice

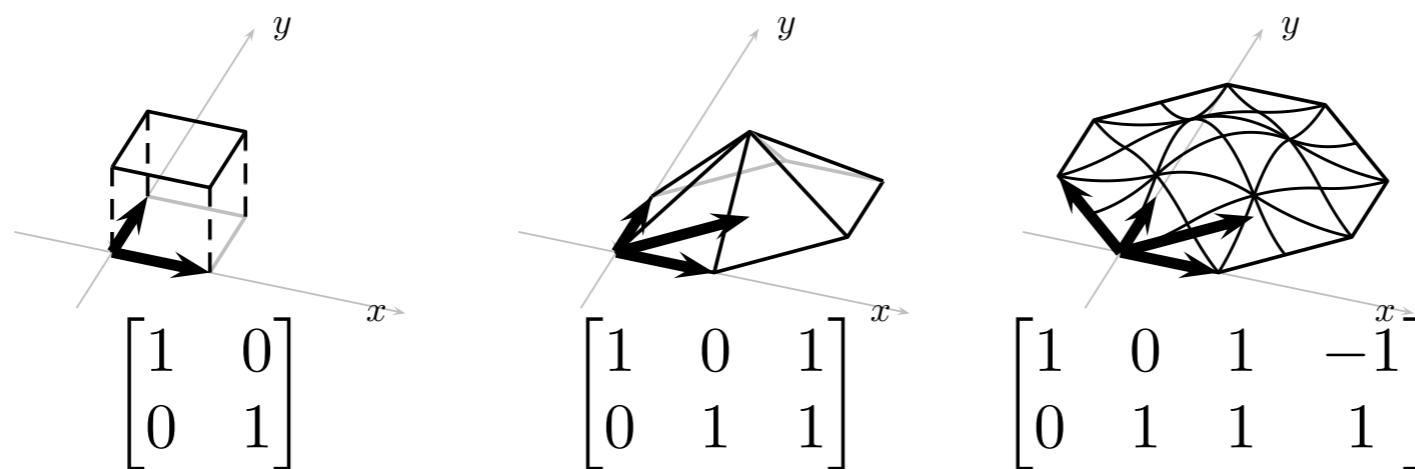
Results

- ▶ For FCC (Face-Centered Cubic) datasets
[Kim 2012]
 - x2.4 than BCC [Finkbeiner et al. 2010]
 - x0.4 than the Cartesian [Sigg & Hadwiger 2005]
- ▶ For BCC (Body-Centered Cubic) datasets
[Kim & Lee 2012]
 - x1.2 than [Finkbeiner et al. 2010]
 - x0.4 than [Csébfalvi and Hadwiger 2006]

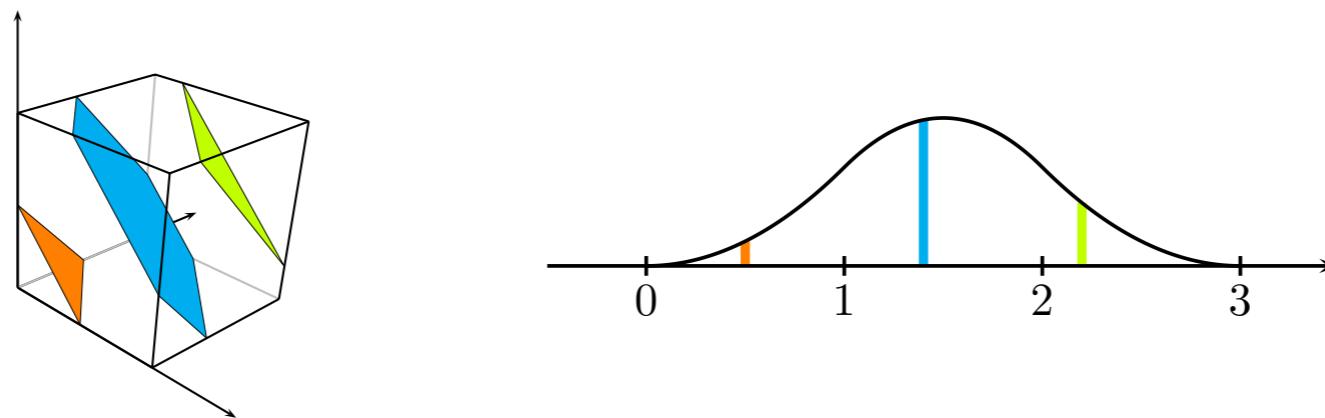
Background

Box-Splines

- ▶ Defined by an $n \times m$ “direction matrix” Ξ
 - Directional convolution for each direction



- Projected volume density



Box-Splines

- ▶ Piecewise polynomial of degree = $m - n$
- ▶ Polynomial pieces are delineated by *knot planes*, hyperplanes defined by the directions
- ▶ Finite support defined by Minkowski sum of the directions

Box-Splines

- ▶ Approximation order = $\rho(\Xi)$
 - $\rho(\Xi)$: minimum # of directions in Ξ to make remaining directions have rank $< n$
 - Given the degree, we get better approximation order if the directions are more “spread out.”
- ▶ Quasi-interpolator required to obtain the maximal approximation order

Box-Splines

► Box-splines on non-Cartesian lattices

- Change-of-variables

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbf{G}\mathbb{Z}^n} |\det \mathbf{G}| M_{\mathbf{G}\Xi}(\cdot - j) f(j) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} M_{\Xi}(\mathbf{G}^{-1} \cdot - k) f(\mathbf{G}k)$$

- [Kim & Peters 2010]

“Symmetric Box-Spline on the \mathcal{A}_n^* Lattice”

- [Kim & Peters 2011]

“Symmetric Box-Splines on Root Lattices”

Box-Splines vs. B-Splines

| | Box-Splines | B-Splines |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| approximation order | High | Low |
| non-Cartesian lattices | Yes | (Mostly) No |
| evaluation | Complicated | de Boor's |

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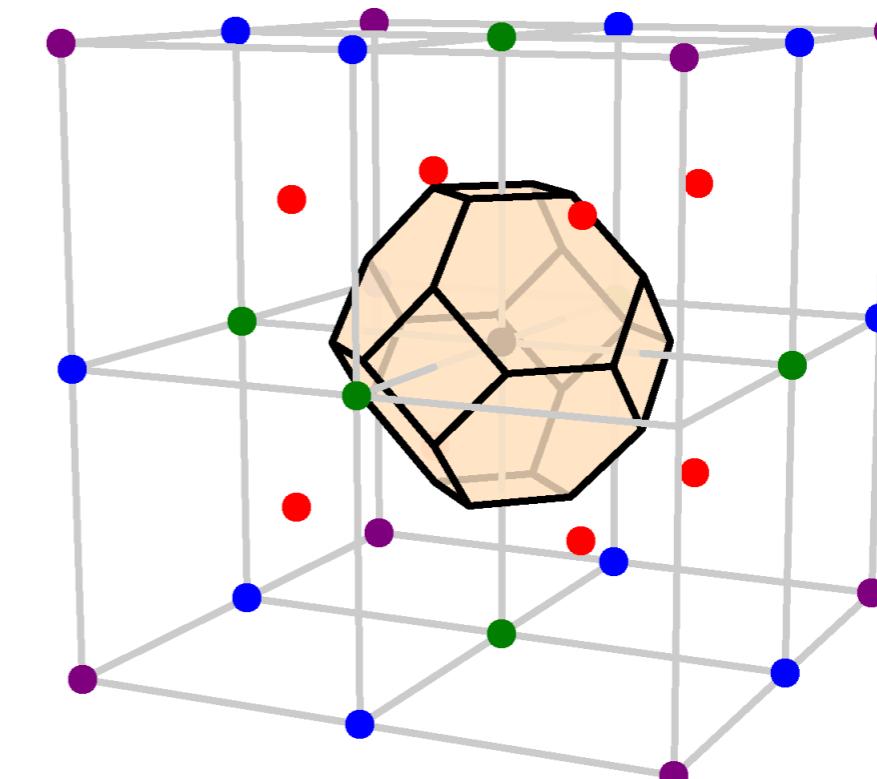
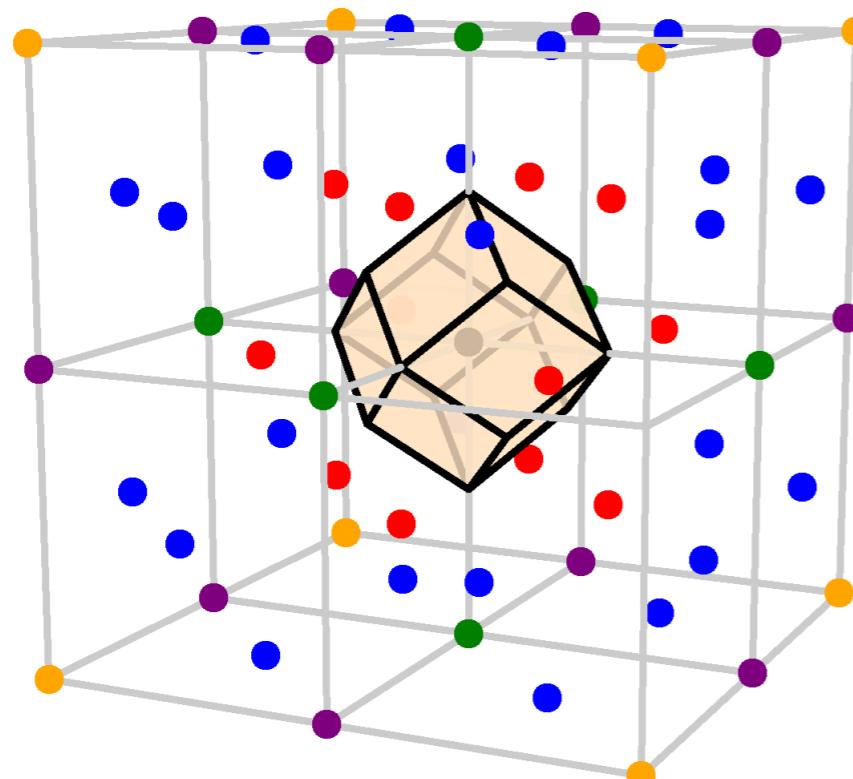
Box Splines



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The FCC & BCC Lattices



$$Z_{\text{fcc}} := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{Z}^3$$

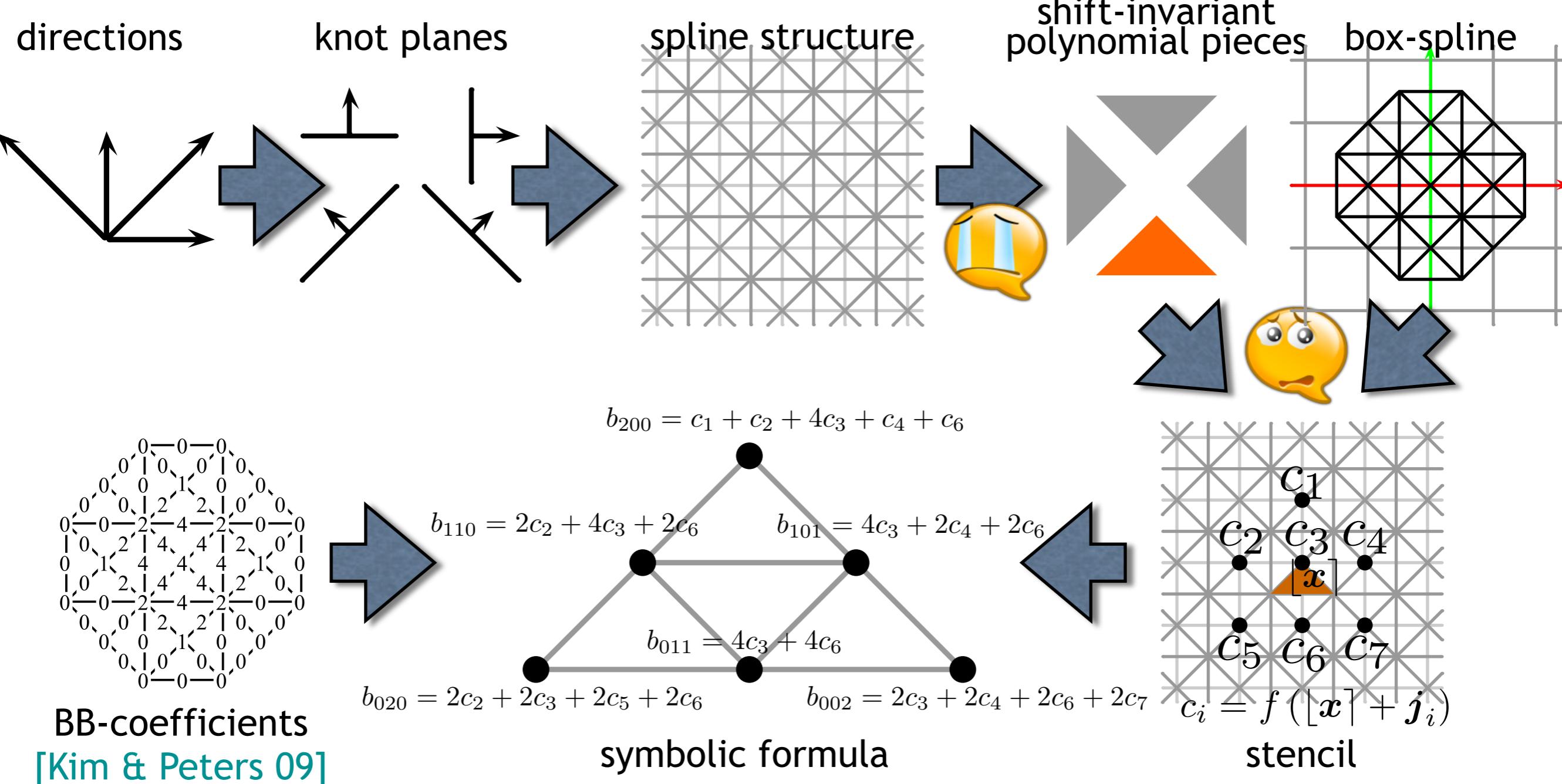
$$Z_{\text{bcc}} := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbb{Z}^3$$

The FCC & BCC Lattices

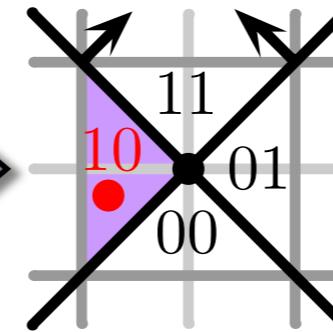
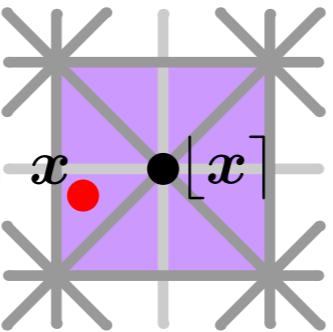
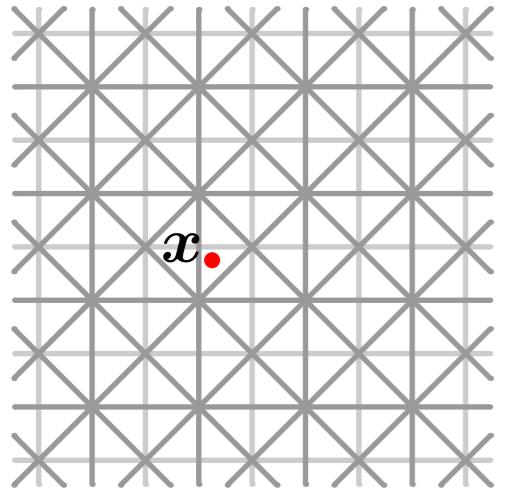
- ▶ More efficient sampling lattices than the Cartesian lattice
 - Requires less # of samples to reconstruct an isotropic and band-limited signal
- ▶ Symmetric box-splines are good candidates as reconstruction filters
 - BCC: [Entezari et al. 2004] [Csébfalvi & Hadwiger 2006] [Kim 2012]
 - FCC: [Kim et al. 2008]

Efficient Evaluation

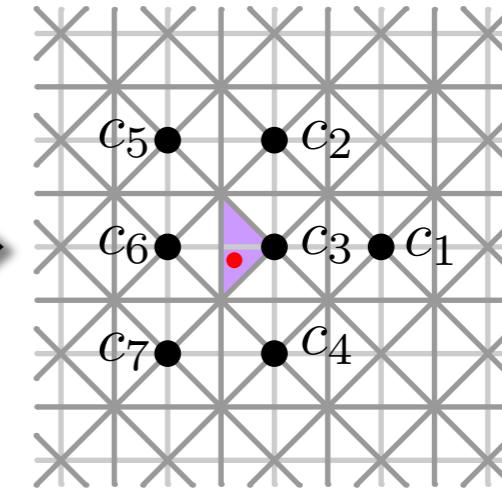
Deriving Symbolic Formula



Evaluation



$$T_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$c_i = f([x] + T_{10}^{-1} j_i)$$

function EVALUATEQUADRATIC(f, x)

$\dot{x} \leftarrow x - [x]$
 $\tau \leftarrow U((-1, 1) \cdot \dot{x}, (1, 1) \cdot \dot{x})$

Find T_τ

for $i = 1$ to 7 do

$c_i \leftarrow f([x] + T_\tau^{-1} j_i)$

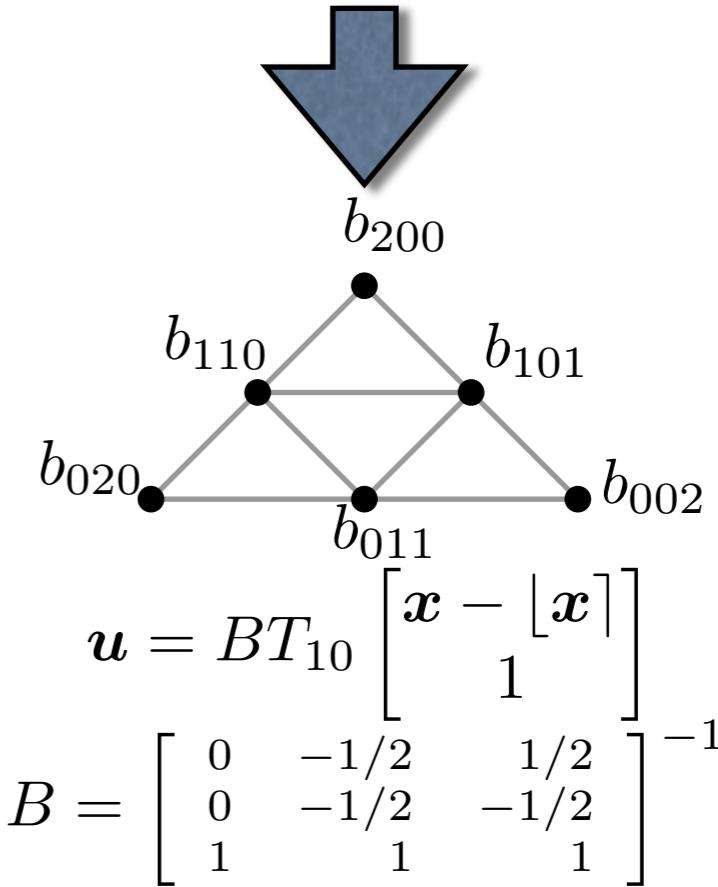
end for

$\mathbf{u} \leftarrow BT_\tau \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (Optional)

Construct the BB-form or other formula and evaluate it.

end function

Conditional branches &
lookup tables



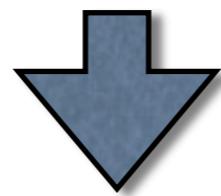
$$\mathbf{u} = BT_{10} \begin{bmatrix} x - [x] \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

Encoding Matrix

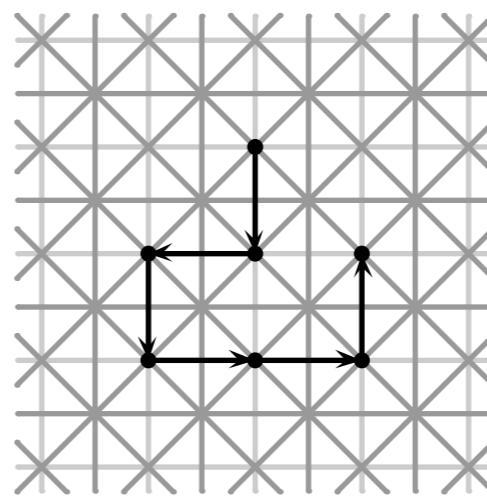
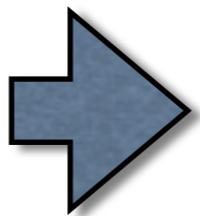
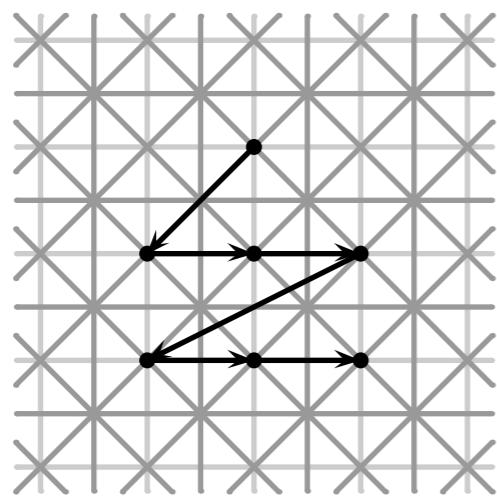
$$T_{00} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_{01} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$T_{\tau} = \begin{bmatrix} !(\tau_1 \& \tau_2) & (\tau_1 \& \tau_2)(1 - 2\tau_2) \\ (\tau_1 \& \tau_2)(1 - 2\tau_2) & !(\tau_1 \& \tau_2)(1 - 2\tau_2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Axis-Aligned Fetching



$$c_i = f \left(\lfloor x \rfloor + T_{\tau}^{-1} j_i \right)$$

Matrix-vector
multiplication

Vector-vector
addition

$$\mathbf{y} = \lfloor x \rfloor + (0, -1)$$

$$c_1 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} - T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 2)$$

$$c_3 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} - T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 1)$$

$$c_2 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} - T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 2)$$

$$c_5 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 1)$$

$$c_6 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 1)$$

$$c_7 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

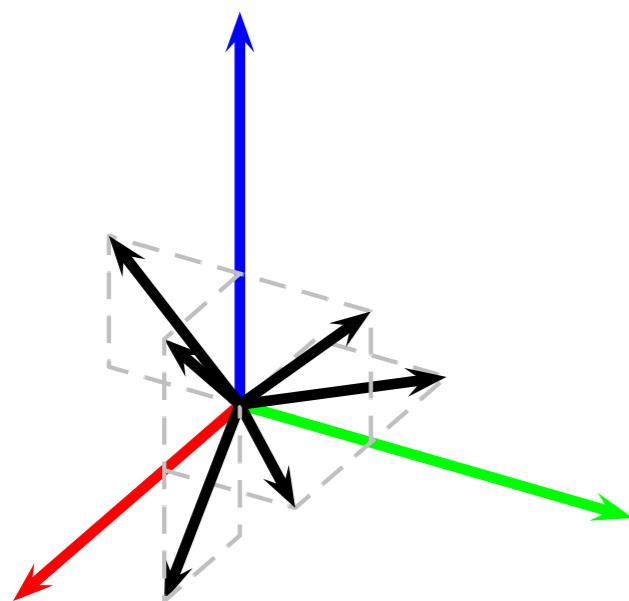
$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} + T_{\tau}^{-1}(:, 2)$$

$$c_4 = f(\mathbf{y})$$

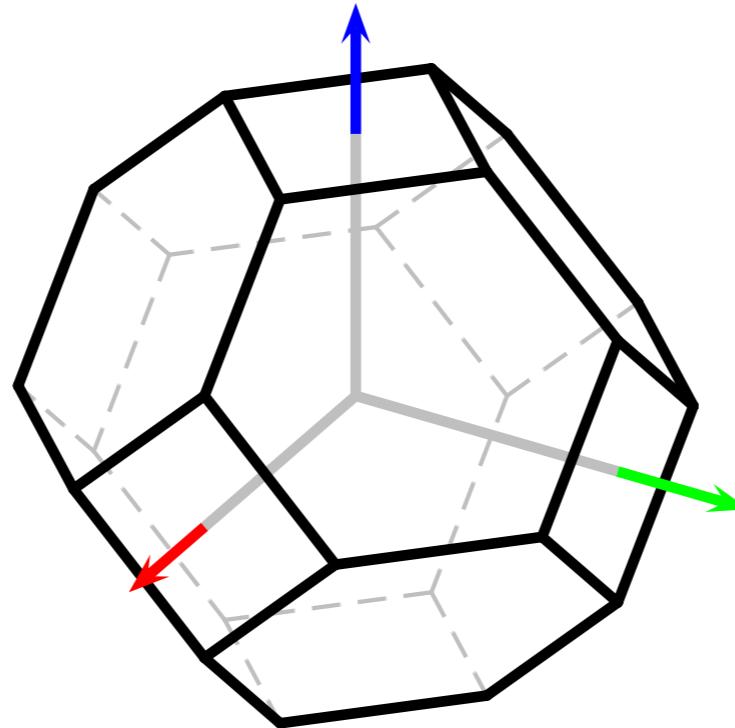
FCC Datasets

6-Direction Cubic Box-Spline on the FCC Lattice

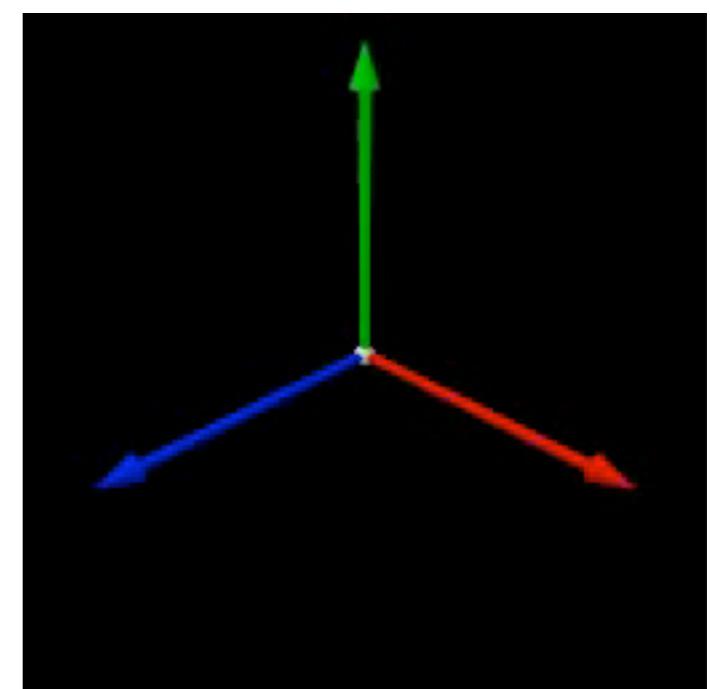
- ▶ [Entezari 2007] [Kim et al. 2008]
- ▶ Approximation order is 3



directions

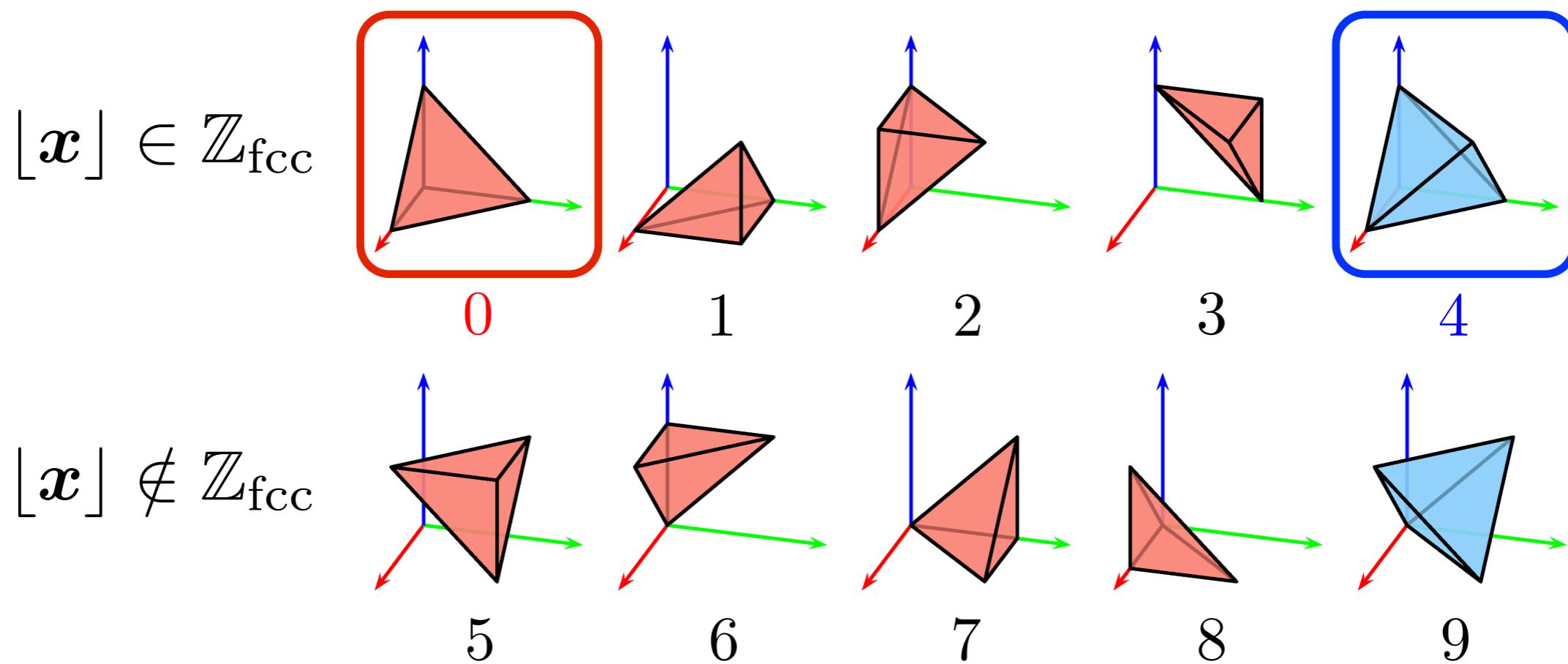
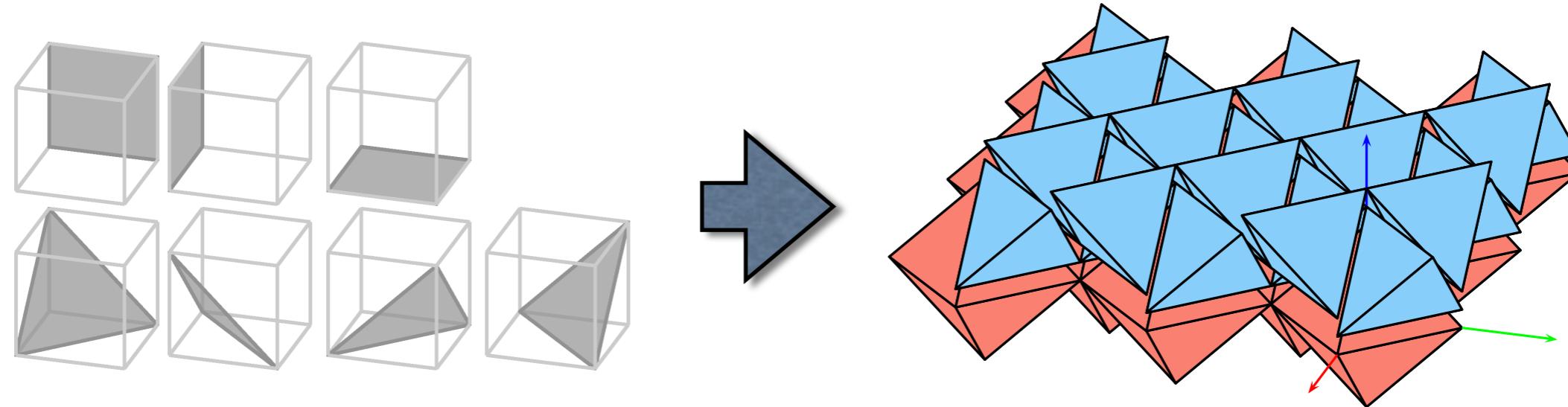


support



level sets

Polynomial Structure

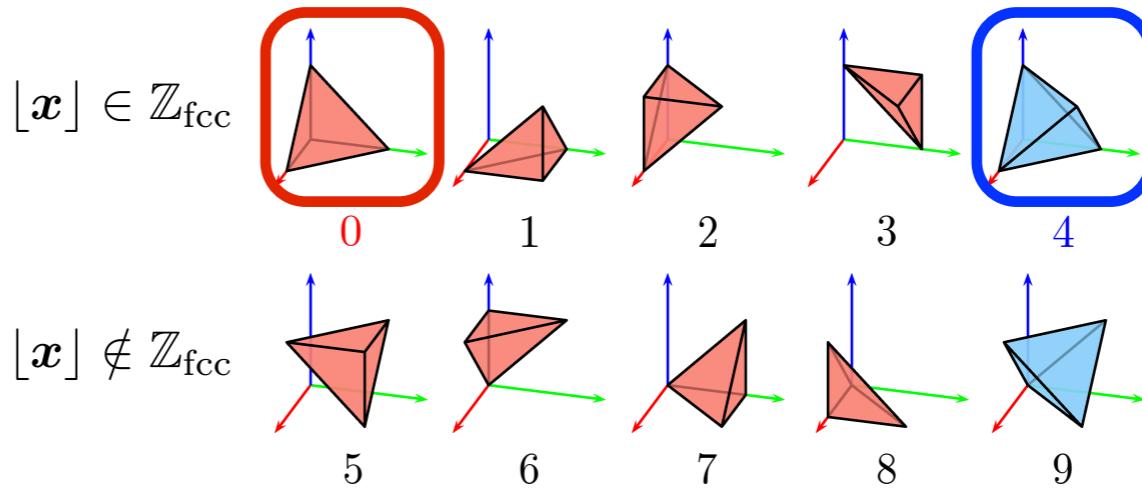
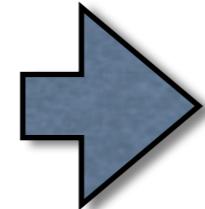


Finding Poly Index

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 $\dot{x} \leftarrow x - \lfloor x \rfloor$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow ((1, 1, 1) \cdot \lfloor x \rfloor) \& 1$ 
if  $\pi = 1$  then
     $\dot{x} \leftarrow (1, 1, 1) - \dot{x}$ 
end if
if  $(-1, -1, -1) \cdot \dot{x} > -1$  then
     $i \leftarrow 0$ 
else if  $(1, 1, -1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1$  then
     $i \leftarrow 1$ 
else if  $(1, -1, 1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1$  then
     $i \leftarrow 2$ 
else if  $(-1, 1, 1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1$  then
     $i \leftarrow 3$ 
else
     $i \leftarrow 4$ 
end if
if  $i = 4$  then
     $\tau \leftarrow 1$ 
else
     $\tau \leftarrow 0$ 
end if
if  $\pi = 1$  then
     $i \leftarrow i + 5$ 
end if

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 $\dot{x} \leftarrow x - \lfloor x \rfloor$ 
 $\pi \leftarrow ((1, 1, 1) \cdot \lfloor x \rfloor) \& 1$ 
 $\dot{x} \leftarrow \dot{x} + \pi((1, 1, 1) - 2\dot{x})$ 
 $v \leftarrow ((-1, -1, -1) \cdot \dot{x} > -1, (1, 1, -1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1,$ 
 $(1, -1, 1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1, (-1, 1, 1) \cdot \dot{x} > 1)$ 
 $\tau \leftarrow 1 - (1, 1, 1, 1) \cdot v$ 
 $i \leftarrow (0, 1, 2, 3) \cdot v + 4\tau + 5\pi$ 

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i : index (0-9)
 τ : type (0: red, 1: blue)
 π : parity (0: $\lfloor x \rfloor \in \mathbb{Z}_{\text{fcc}}$, 1: $\lfloor x \rfloor \notin \mathbb{Z}_{\text{fcc}}$)

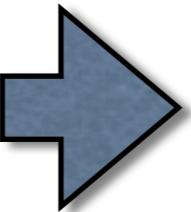
Encoding Transformation

$$T_1(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_2(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_3(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_5(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_6(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_7(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

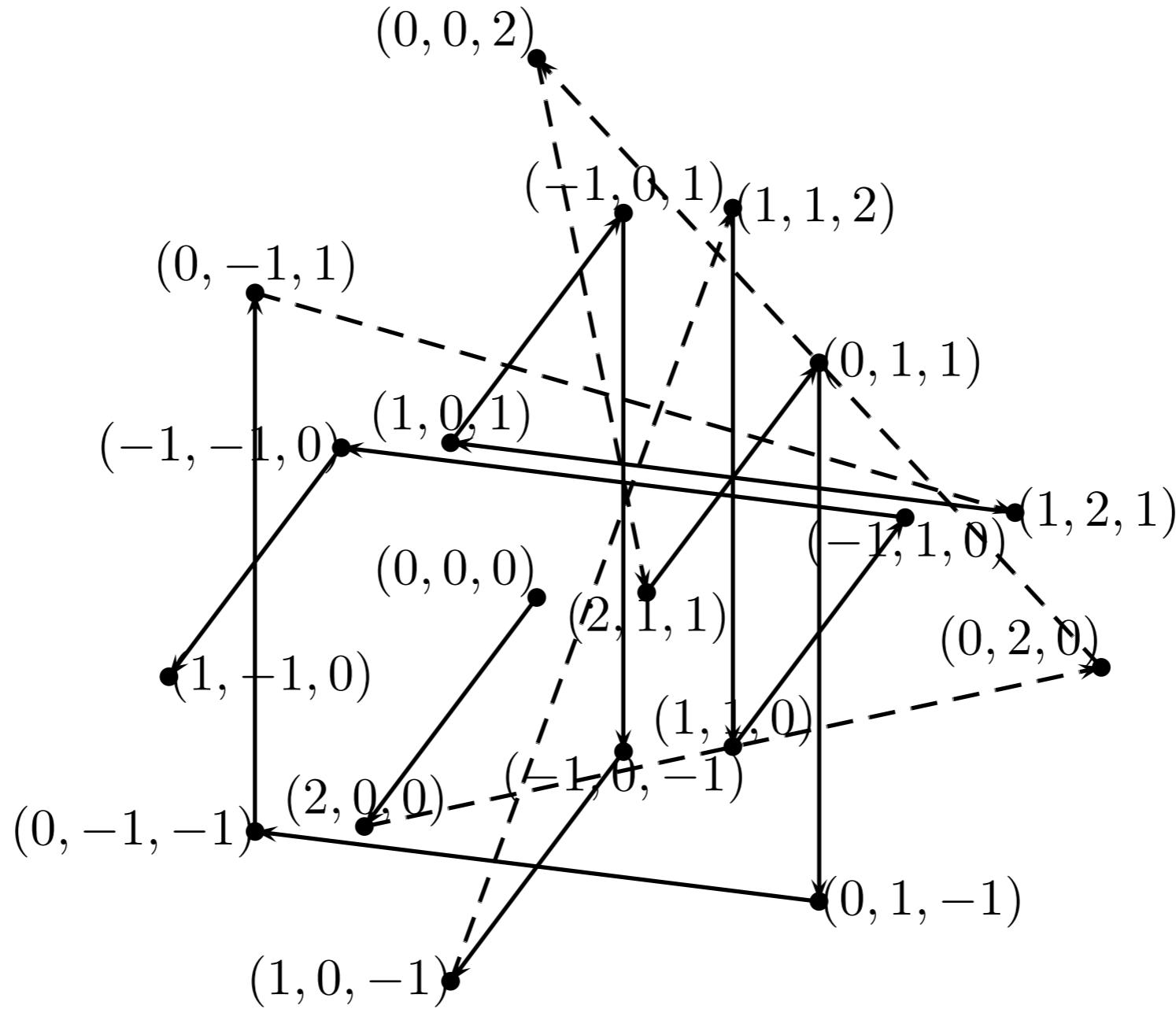
$$T_8(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T_9(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$T_i(\mathbf{x}) = R\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &\leftarrow ((0, 1, 1, 1) \cdot \mathbf{v})((1, 1, 1) - (\mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_2)) \\ \mathbf{y} &\leftarrow \mathbf{y} + \pi((1, 1, 1) - 2\mathbf{y}) \\ \mathbf{r} &\leftarrow (1, 1, 1) - 2\mathbf{y} \\ R &\leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{r}_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \mathbf{r}_3 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Axis-Aligned Fetching



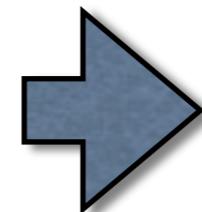
GLSL Code

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    ivec3(0,0,0), ivec3(1,1,0), ivec3(1,0,1),
    ivec3(0,1,1), ivec3(0,0,0), ivec3(1,1,1),
    ivec3(0,0,1), ivec3(0,1,0), ivec3(1,0,0),
    ivec3(1,1,1));
ivec3 R[10] = ivec3[10](
    ivec3( 1, 1, 1), ivec3(-1,-1, 1), ivec3(-1, 1,-1),
    ivec3( 1,-1,-1), ivec3( 1, 1, 1), ivec3(-1,-1,-1),
    ivec3( 1, 1,-1), ivec3( 1,-1, 1), ivec3(-1, 1, 1),
    ivec3(-1,-1,-1));
ivec3 stencil[19] = ivec3[19](
    ivec3( 0, 0, 0), ivec3( 2, 0, 0), ivec3( 0, 2, 0),
    ivec3( 0, 0, 2), ivec3( 2, 1, 1), ivec3( 0, 1, 1),
    ivec3( 0, 1,-1), ivec3( 0,-1,-1), ivec3( 0,-1, 1),
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    ivec3(-1, 0,-1), ivec3( 1, 0,-1), ivec3( 1, 1, 2),
    ivec3( 1, 1, 0), ivec3(-1, 1, 0), ivec3(-1,-1, 0),
    ivec3( 1,-1, 0));
vec3 p_local;
ivec3 origin;
origin = ivec3(floor(p_in));
p_cube = p_in-vec3(origin);
parity = (origin.x+origin.y+origin.z)&1;
p_local = p_cube;
if(parity==1) p_cube = ivec3(1,1,1) - p_cube;
if(dot(p_cube, vec3(-1,-1,-1))>-1) itet = 0;
else if(dot(p_cube, vec3(1,1,-1))>1) itet = 1;
else if(dot(p_cube, vec3(1,-1,1))>1) itet = 2;
else if(dot(p_cube, vec3(-1,1,1))>1) itet = 3;
else itet = 4;
if(itet==4) type=1;
else type=0;
vitet = vec4(itet==0,itet==1,itet==2,itet==3);
if(parity==1) itet+=5;
p_local = p_local*R[itet] + T[itet];
origin += T[itet];
ivec3 fcc;
for(int i=0 ; i<19 ; i++)
{
    fcc = origin + R[itet]*stencil[i];
    FETCH(i)
}

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lookup
tables



conditional
branches

vector-vector
multiplication

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vec3 p_local;
ivec3 R;
ivec3 f;
f = ivec3(floor(p_in));
p_cube = p_in-vec3(f);
parity = (f.x+f.y+f.z)&1;
p_local = p_cube;
p_cube += float(parity)*(1-2*p_cube);
vitet = vec4( dot(p_cube, vec3(-1,-1,-1))>-1,
              dot(p_cube, vec3( 1, 1,-1))> 1,
              dot(p_cube, vec3( 1,-1, 1))> 1,
              dot(p_cube, vec3(-1, 1, 1))> 1 );
type = 1-(vitet.x+vitet.y+vitet.z+vitet.w);
itet = int(dot(vitet.yzw, vec3(1,2,3)))
        + 4*int(type) + parity*5;
ivec3 offset = int(vitet.y+vitet.z+vitet.w)
               *(1-ivec3(vitet.wzy));
offset += parity*(1 - 2*offset);
R = 1-2*offset;
p_local = vec3(offset) + vec3(R)*p_local;
f += offset;
R *= 2;

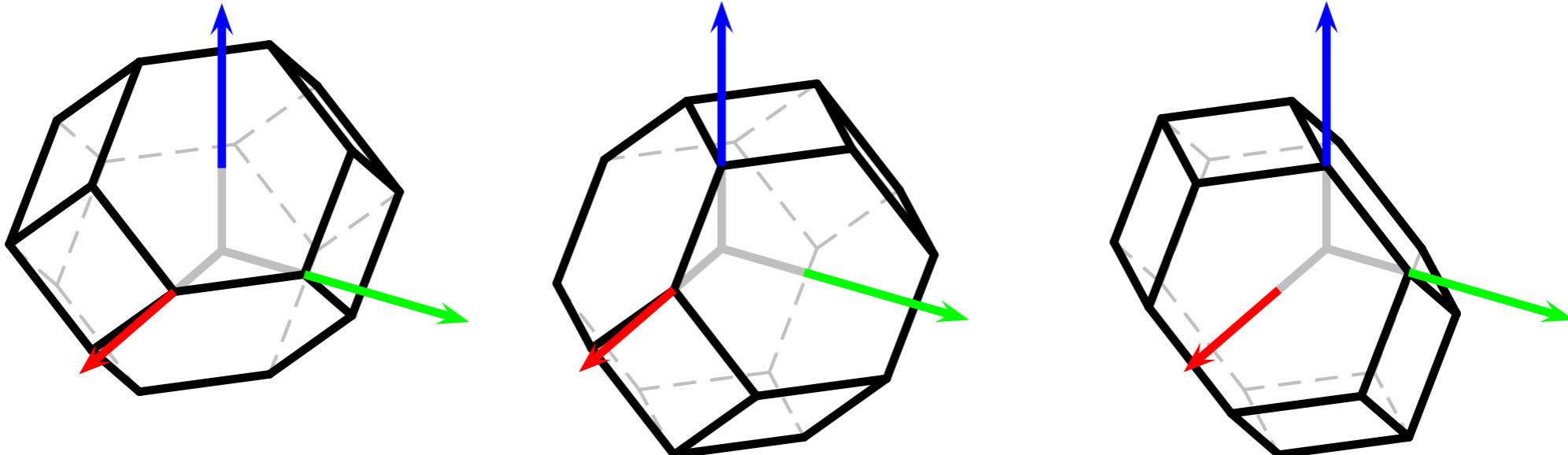
f.x+=R.x;                                FETCH(0)
f.x-=R.x; f.y+=R.y;                      FETCH(1)
f.y-=R.y; f.z+=R.z;                      FETCH(2)
f.x+=R.x; f.y+=R.y>>1; f.z-=R.z>>1; FETCH(3)
f.x-=R.x;                                FETCH(4)
f.z-=R.z;                                FETCH(5)
f.y-=R.y;                                FETCH(6)
f.z+=R.z;                                FETCH(7)
f.x+=R.x>>1; f.y+=(3*R.y)>>1;      FETCH(8)
f.y-=R.y;                                FETCH(9)
f.x-=R.x;                                FETCH(10)
f.z-=R.z;                                FETCH(11)
f.x+=R.x;                                FETCH(12)
f.y+=R.y>>1; f.z+=(3*R.z)>>1;      FETCH(13)
f.z-=R.z;                                FETCH(14)
f.x-=R.x;                                FETCH(15)
f.y-=R.y;                                FETCH(16)
f.x+=R.x;                                FETCH(17)

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x10-16 performance improvement

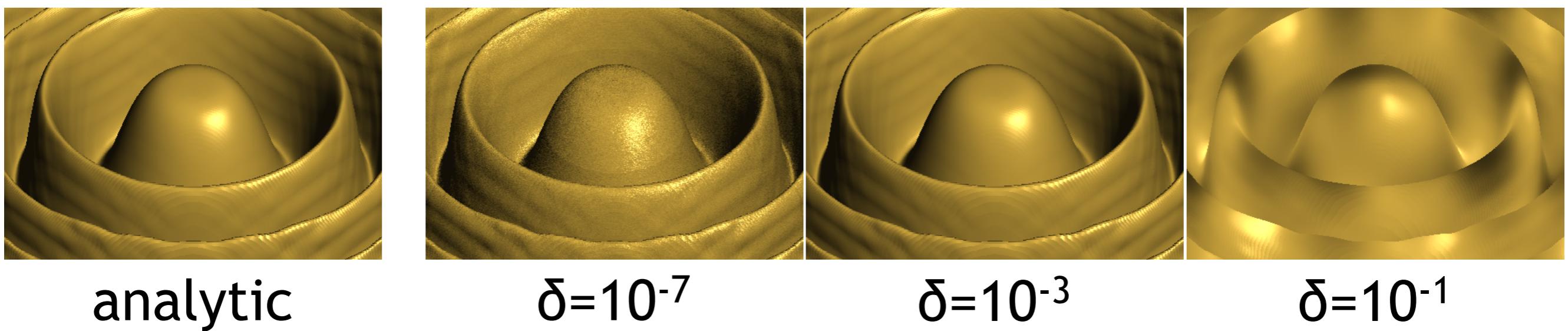
Normal Computation

- ▶ $D_\xi M_\Xi = \nabla_\xi M_{\Xi \setminus \{\xi\}}$
 - A Directional derivative is a backward difference of another box-spline
- ▶ Three additional quadratic box-splines required



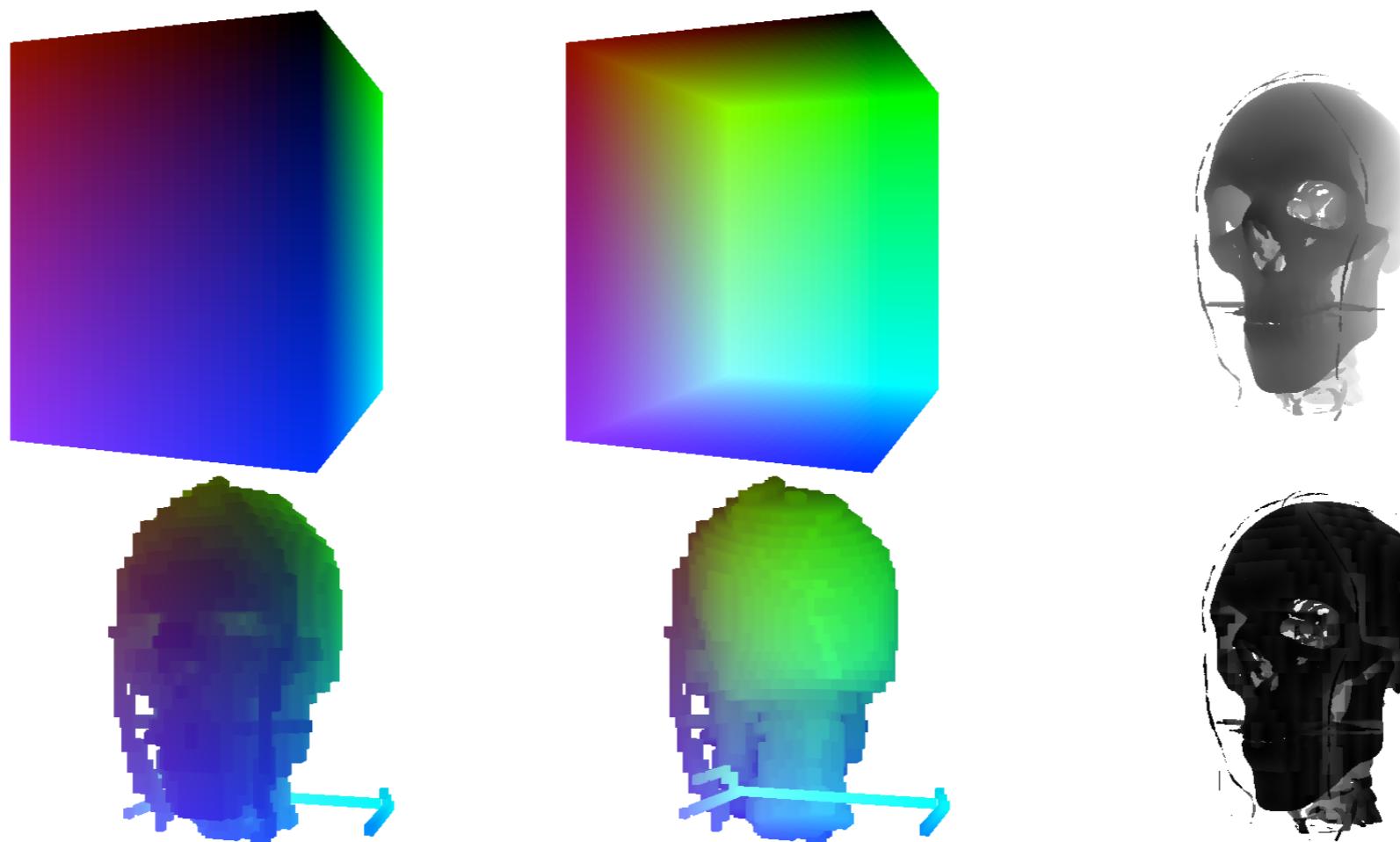
Normal Computation

| Analytic | Finite difference |
|--------------------------|---|
| No additional data fetch | $19 \times 6 = 114$ additional data fetch |
| Accurate | Sensitive to δ |
| Additional code | Evaluation code reused |
| Fast (up to x1.3) | Slow |



Empty-Space Skipping

- ▶ Built from BB-coefficients
- ▶ Can be done quickly using OpenCL
- ▶ x2.3~5 performance gain



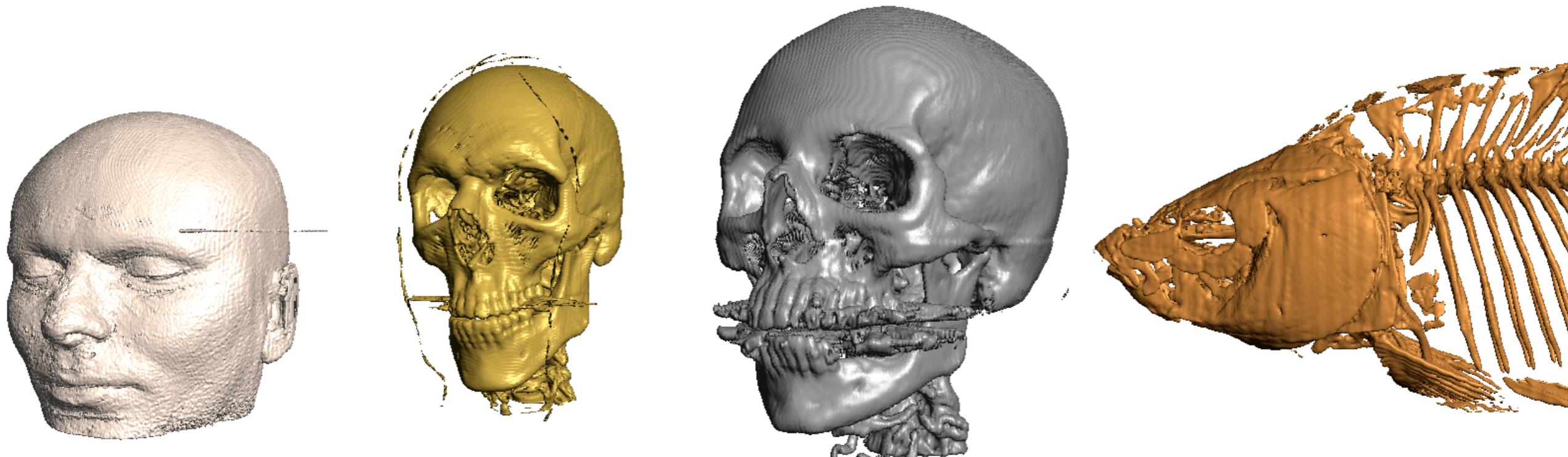
Storing FCC Datasets in the GPU Memory

- ▶ Split into four Cartesian lattices → not cache-friendly
- ▶ Can be stored in a four-channel 3D texture by grouping $\{j, j+(0,1,1), j+(1,0,1), j+(1,1,0)\}$
- ▶ No channel selection on current GPU
 - $\text{texelFetch}(\text{tex}, \text{x}>>1, \text{y}>>1, \text{z}>>1) [((\text{x}\&1)<<1)+(\text{y}\&1)] ;$
- ▶ Should be implemented as follows
 - $i = 2*(x\&1) + (y\&1);$
 - $\text{dot}(\text{texelFetch}(\text{tex}, \text{x}>>1, \text{y}>>1, \text{z}>>1), \text{vec4}(i==0, i==1, i==2, i==3));$
- ▶ Slows down the performance

Results

| dataset | MRI-Head | visMale | CT-Head | Carp |
|---------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| size | 128x128x128x4 | 64x128x128x4 | 128x128x57x4 | 128x128x256x4 |
| fps | 65.2 | 68.9 | 54.6 | 22.3 |

- Intel® Core™ i7 860 @2.80 GHz, Windows 7 Professional (64 bit), 8GB memory, NVIDIA GeForce GTX 460 (driver 285.86).
- Datasets courtesy of “the vollib library”

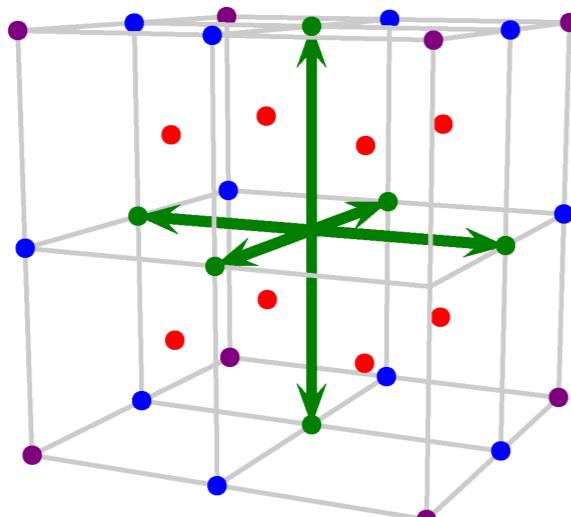


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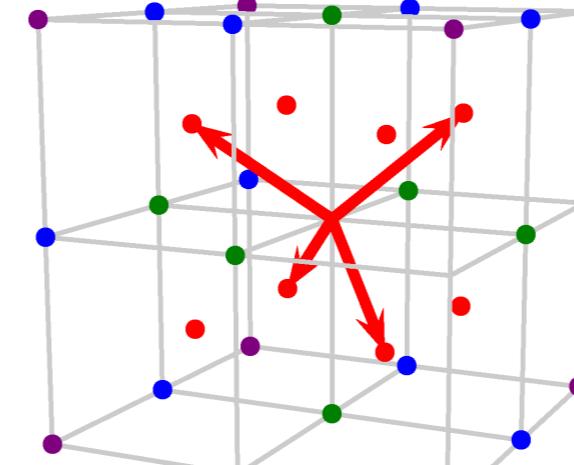
| method | lattice | size | fps |
|--------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| [Kim 2012] | Cartesian | 50x50x101x4=1,010,000 | 25.11 |
| [Finkbeiner et al. 2010] | BCC | 64x64x128x2=1,048,576 | 10.66 |
| [Sigg & Hadwiger 2005] | FCC | 80x80x160=1,024,000 | 61.14 |

BCC Datasets

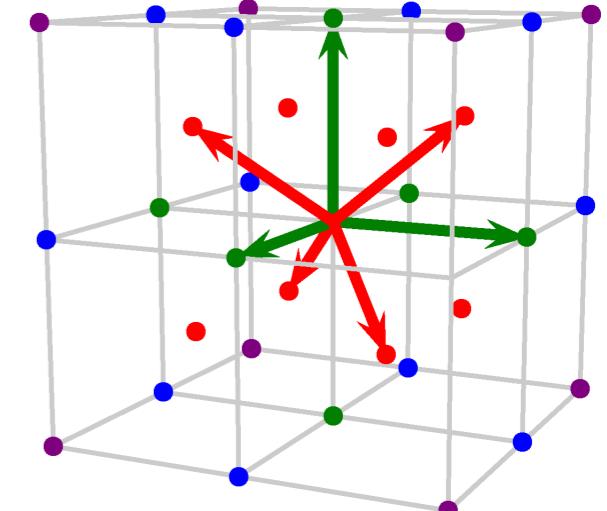
Quartic Box-Spline on the BCC Lattice



bcc12
[Csébfalvi and Hadwiger 2006]

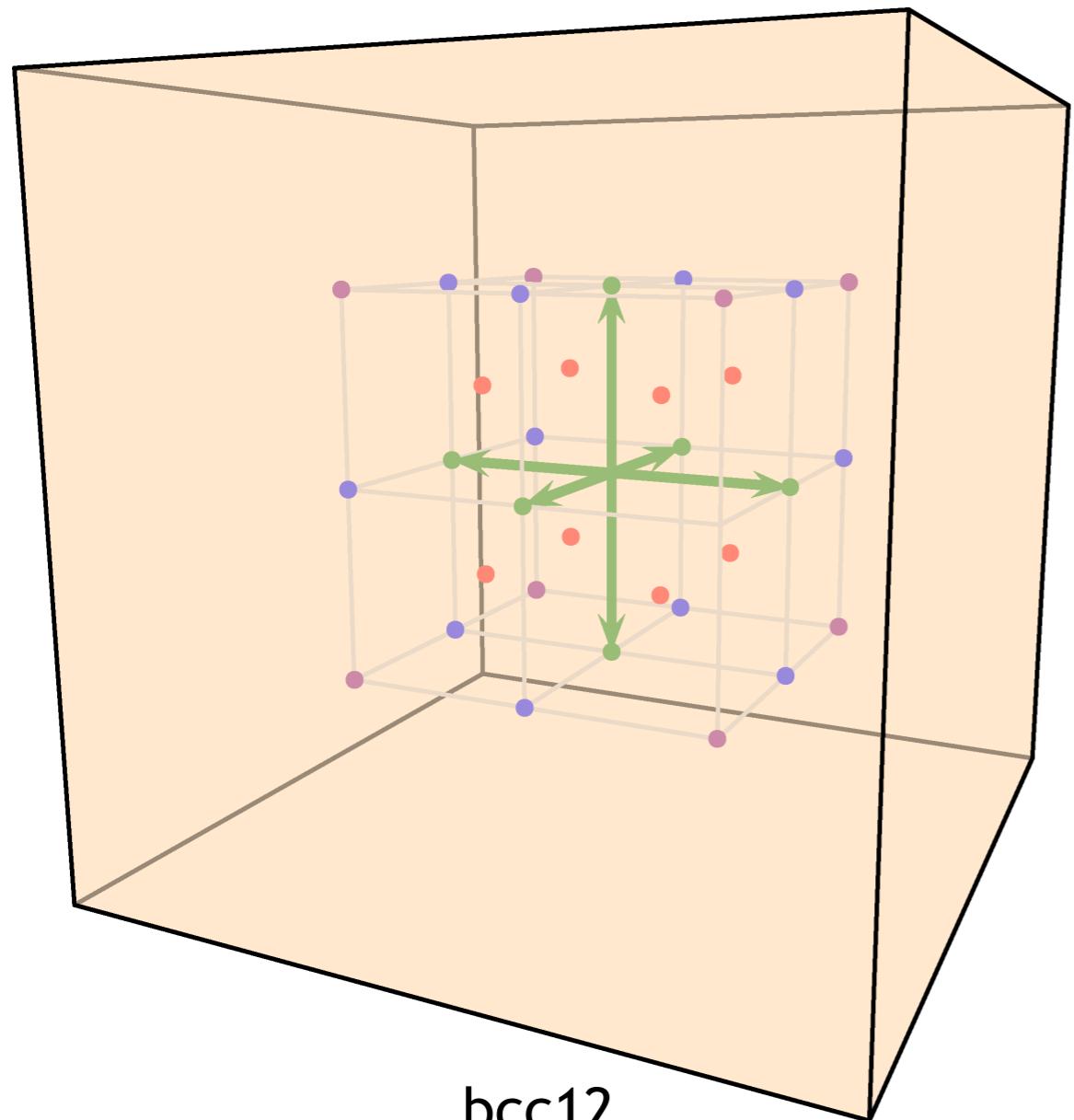


bcc8
[Entezari et al. 2004]

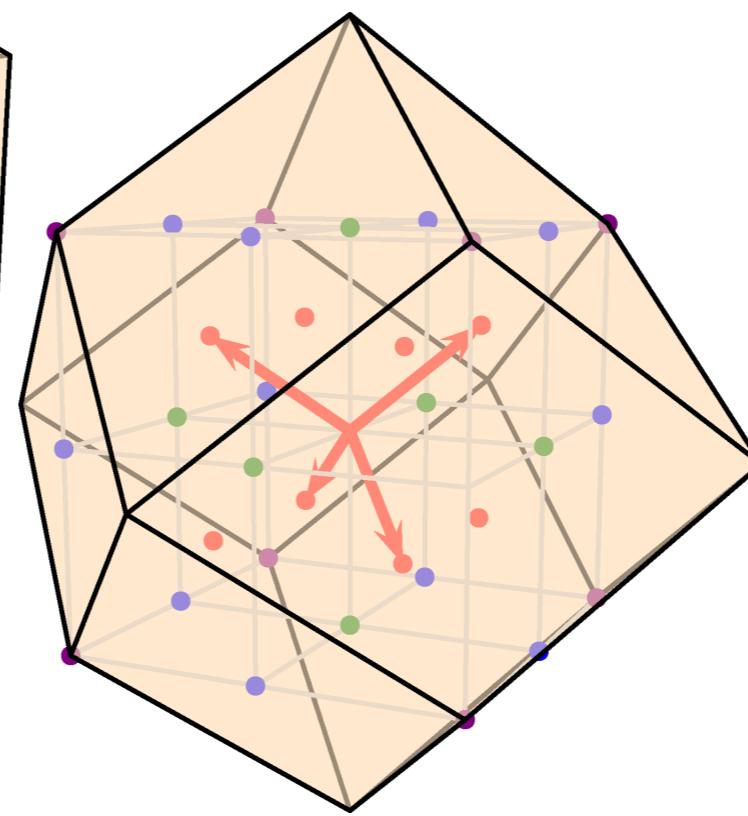


bcc7
[Kim 2013]

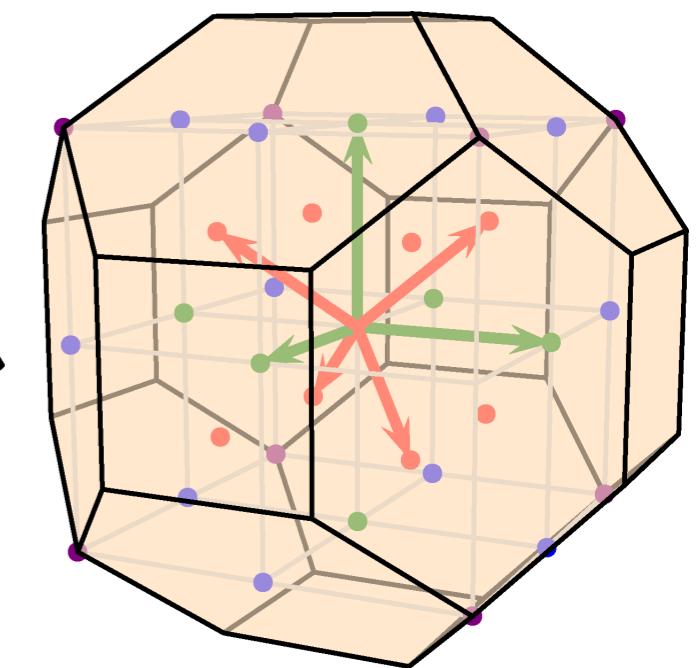
Quartic Box-Spline on the BCC Lattice



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[Csébfalvi and Hadwiger 2006]



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[Entezari et al. 2004]

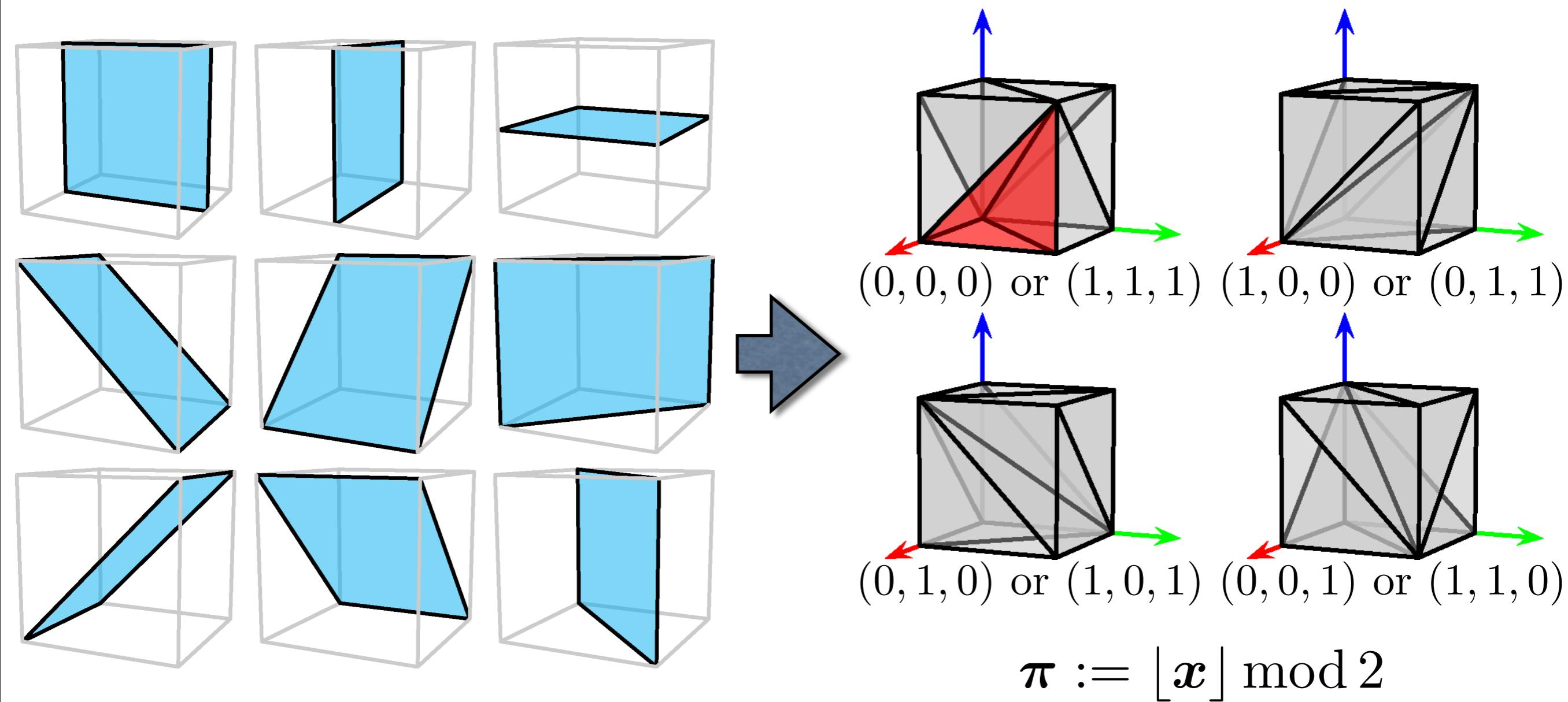


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[Kim 2013]

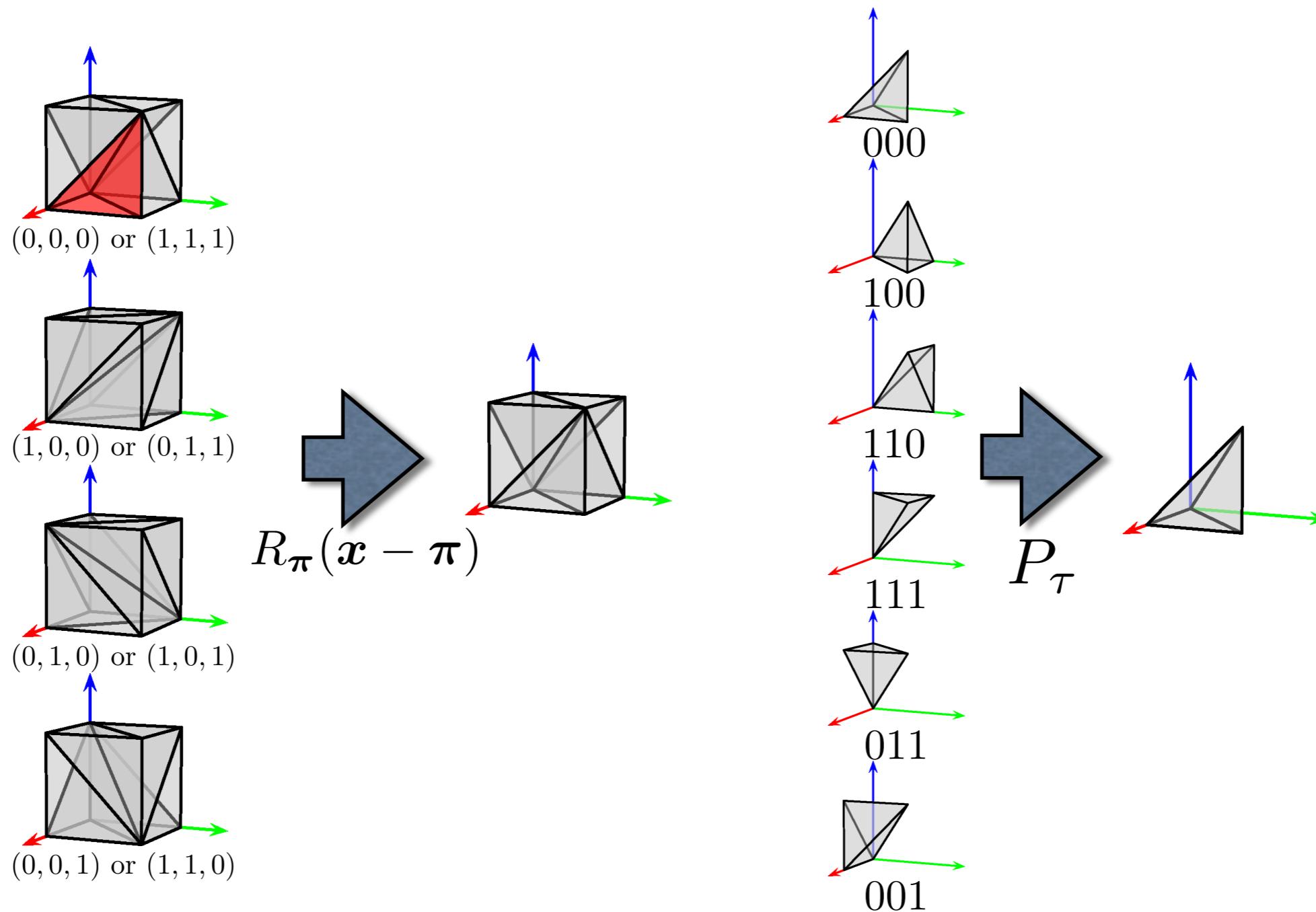
Comparison

| | bcc12 | bcc8 | bcc7 |
|-----------------------------|-------|------|------|
| degree | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| approximation order | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| shift-invariant poly pieces | 1 | 6 | 24 |
| volume of support | 512 | 128 | 120 |
| stencil size | 128 | 32 | 30 |
| Reisz basis? | no | yes | no |

Polynomial Structure

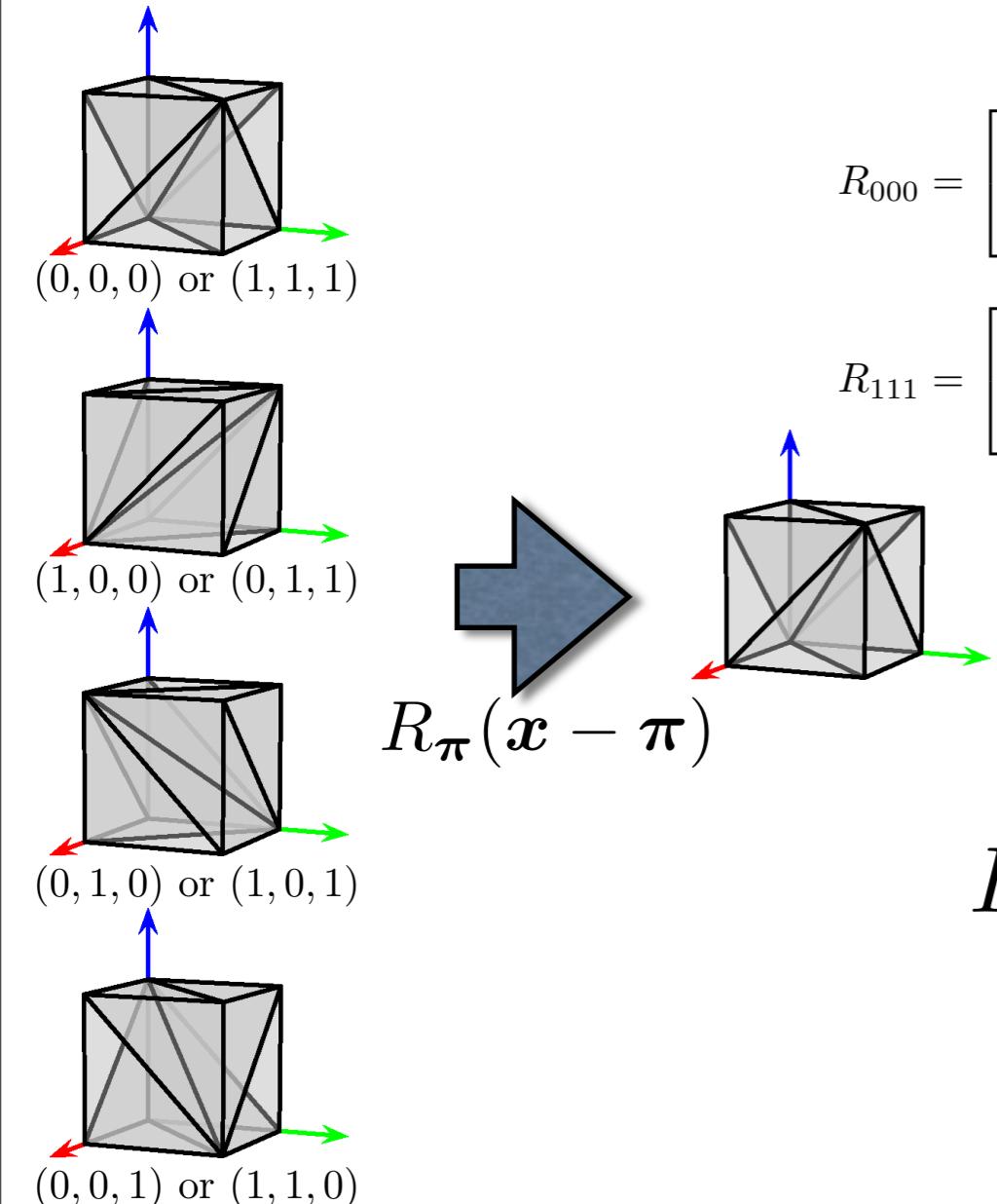


Transformation



Translation → Reflection → Permutation

Encoding Translation & Reflection



$$R_{000} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{001} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{010} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{100} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{111} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

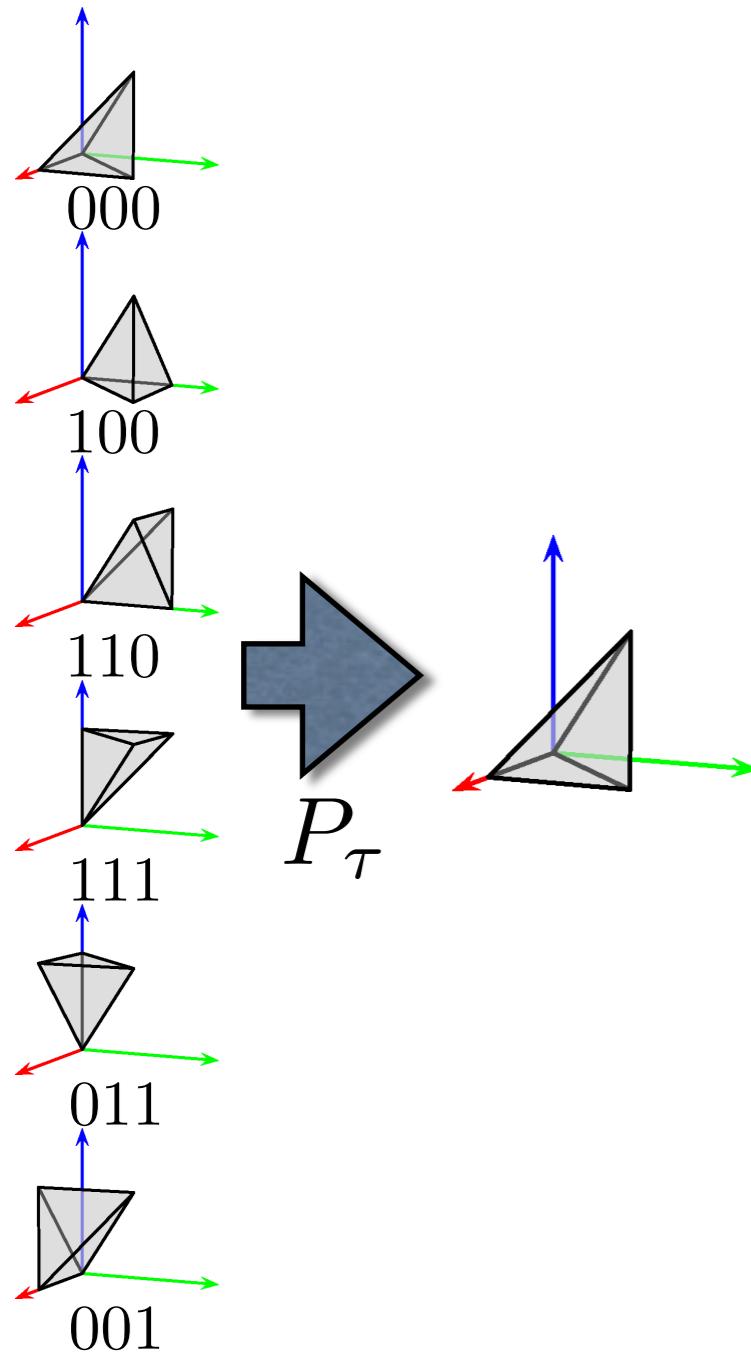
$$R_{110} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{101} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_{011} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

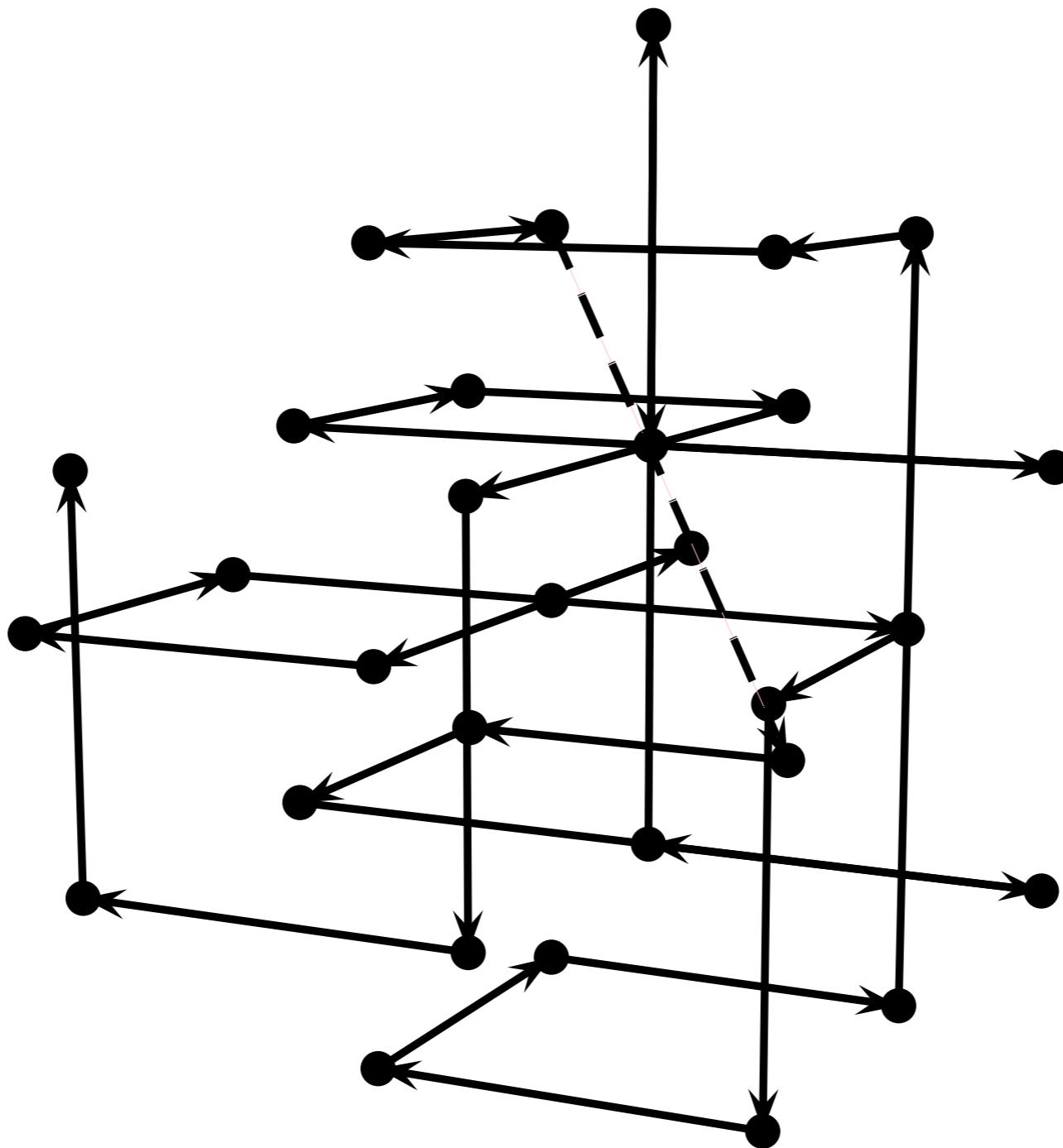
$$R_\pi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - 2 \begin{bmatrix} \pi_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pi_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \pi_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Encoding Permutation



$$\begin{aligned}
 P_{000} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & P_{100} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & P_{110} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 P_{111} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & P_{011} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & P_{001} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 P_\tau &= \begin{bmatrix} !(\tau_1 | \tau_2) & \tau_1 \& !\tau_3 & \tau_2 \& \tau_3 \\ ? & ? & ? \\ \tau_1 \& \tau_2 & !\tau_1 \& \tau_3 & !(\tau_2 | \tau_3) \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Axis-Aligned Fetching



GLSL Code

```
#define FETCH(var)    var = texelFetch(volume_tex, o, 0).r;
#define IT0  itv1.x
#define IT1  itv1.y
#define IT3  itv1.z
#define IT4  itv2.x
#define IT6  itv2.y
#define IT7  itv2.z
float c[30];
ivec3 o;
vec3 xtet;
ivec3 xlow = ivec3(p_in);
ivec3 parity = ivec3(xlow.x&0x01, xlow.y&0x01, xlow.z&0x01);
o = ivec3(xlow) + parity;
ivec3 Rc = ivec3(1,1,1)-2*parity;
vec3 xc = Rc*(p_in-o);
int itet = (int(xc.y >= xc.x)<<2) + (int(xc.z >= xc.x)<<1) + int(xc.z >= xc.y);
ivec3 itv1 = ivec3(itet==0, itet==1, itet==3);
ivec3 itv2 = ivec3(itet==4, itet==6, itet==7);
xtet = IT0*xc.xyz + IT1*xc.xzy + IT3*xc.zxy + IT4*xc.yxz + IT6*xc.yzx + IT7*xc.zyx;
ivec3 R[3] = ivec3[](
    2*ivec3(Rc.x*(IT0+IT1), Rc.y*(IT4+IT6), Rc.z*(IT3+IT7)),
    2*ivec3(Rc.x*(IT3+IT4), Rc.y*(IT0+IT7), Rc.z*(IT1+IT6)),
    2*ivec3(Rc.x*(IT6+IT7), Rc.y*(IT1+IT3), Rc.z*(IT0+IT4)));
    FETCH(c01); o -= R[0];    FETCH(c11); o += (R[0]<<1); FETCH(c10);
o -= R[1];    FETCH(c21); o -= R[0];    FETCH(c13); o += (R[1]<<1); FETCH(c12);
o += R[0];    FETCH(c20); o -= R[2];    FETCH(c30); o -= R[1];    FETCH(c19);
o -= R[0];    FETCH(c15); o += R[1];    FETCH(c17); o += (R[2]<<1); FETCH(c16);
o += R[0];    FETCH(c29); o -= R[1];    FETCH(c18); o -= R[0];    FETCH(c14);
o += ((-R[0]+R[1]-3*R[2])>>1);    FETCH(c07);
o -= R[1];    FETCH(c09); o += R[0];    FETCH(c05); o += (R[1]<<1); FETCH(c27);
o -= R[1];    FETCH(c03); o += (R[2]<<1);    FETCH(c28); o -= R[2];    FETCH(c02);
o += R[1];    FETCH(c26); o -= (R[1]<<1);    FETCH(c04); o -= R[0];    FETCH(c08);
o += R[1];    FETCH(c06); o += (R[0]<<1);    FETCH(c22); o -= R[2];    FETCH(c23);
o -= R[1];    FETCH(c25); o += R[2];    FETCH(c24);
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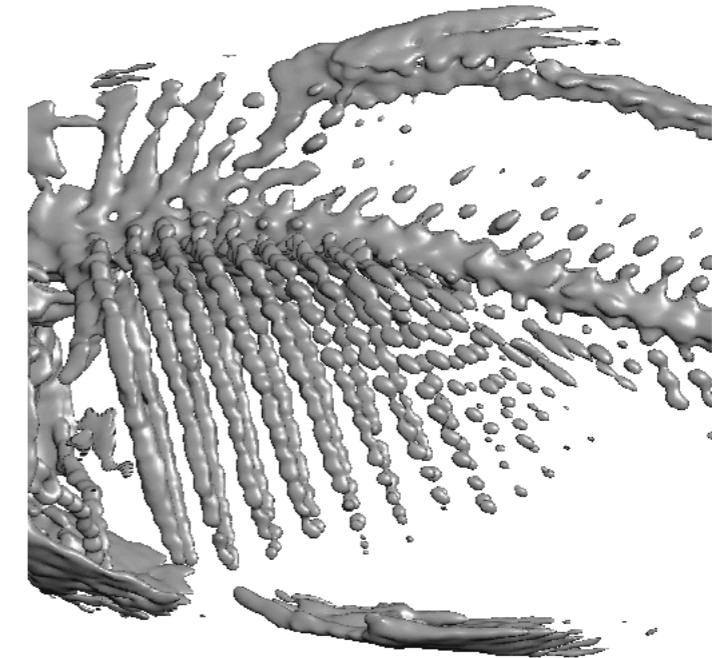
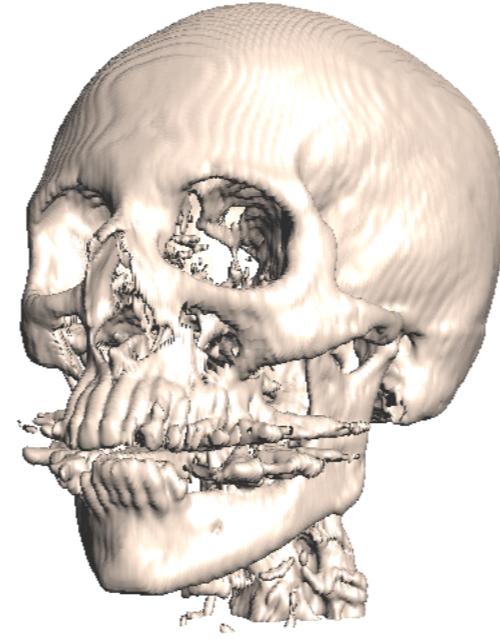
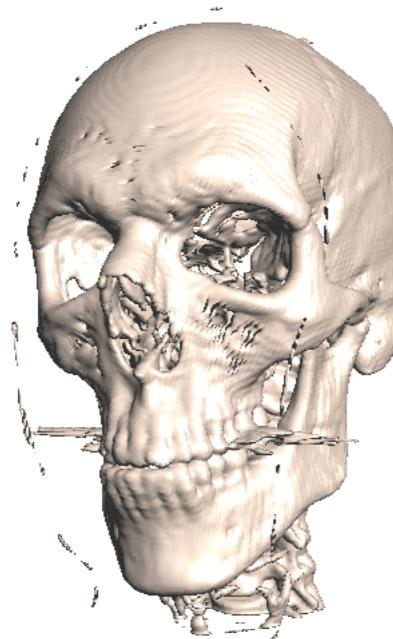
Simplified Symbolic Formula

$$\begin{aligned} & 8(\\ & -x^4(c_{10} + c_{20}) \\ & +(-1+x)^4(c_1 - c_6 - c_7 - c_8 - c_9 + c_{11} + c_{12} + c_{13} + c_{15}) \\ & +(3-x)^4c_1 \\ & -(-2+x)^4(c_1 - c_6 + c_{12}) \\ & +(1+x)^4c_{10} \\ & +z^4(c_2 + c_4 - c_{14} - c_{16} - c_{18} + c_{22} + c_{26} + c_{28} - c_{29}) \\ & -(-1+z)^4(c_3 + c_5) \\ & -(1+z)^4(c_2 + c_4 - c_{14}) \\ & +(-2+z)^4c_3 \\ & +(2+z)^4c_2 \\) \\ & +4(\\ & -(x+y)^3(2+x-y)(c_{10} - c_{20}) \\ & -(-2+x-y)^3(-4+x+y)(c_1 - c_{12}) \\ & +(-2+y+z)^3(2+y-z)(c_3 - c_5) \\ & +(-2+y-z)^3(2+y+z)(c_2 - c_4) \\) \\ & +2(\\ & -(x-y)^3(4(c_{10} - c_{21}) - 2z(c_{24} - c_{25}) - (x+y)(2(c_{20} - c_{21}) + c_{24} + c_{25})) \\ & -(x+z)^3(4(c_2 + c_4 + c_{10} + c_{14} - c_{18}) + 2y(c_2 - c_4 - c_{10} + c_{20} - c_{22}) - (x-z)(2(c_{14} - c_{18}) + c_2 + c_4 - c_{10} - c_{20} + c_{22})) \\ & +(x-z)^3(-4(c_3 + c_5 + c_{10} - c_{19}) - 2y(c_3 - c_5 - c_{10} + c_{20} - c_{23}) + (x+z)(c_3 + c_5 - c_{10} - 2c_{19} - c_{20} + c_{23})) \\ & -(y+z)^3(4(c_2 - c_4 + c_{14} - c_{16}) - 2x(c_{14} - c_{16} - c_{18} - c_{22} + c_{29}) + (y-z)(2(c_4 - c_{26}) - c_{14} + c_{16} - c_{18} - c_{22} + c_{29})) \\ & -(y-z)^3(4(c_3 - c_5 - c_{17}) + 2x(c_{17} + c_{19} + c_{23} - c_{30}) - (y+z)(-2(c_5 - c_{27}) + c_{23} - c_{17} + c_{19} - c_{30})) \\ & +(-2+x+y)^3(4(c_1 - c_{12}) + 2(c_6 + c_7 - c_8 - c_9 + c_{15}) + 2z(c_6 - c_7 - c_8 + c_9 - c_{15}) - (x-y)(c_6 + c_7 - c_8 - c_9 + c_{15} - 2(c_{12} - c_{13}))) \\ & +(-2+x+z)^3(6c_1 + 2(c_3 + c_5 + c_{12} - c_{15}) + 4(c_6 - c_7) - 2y(c_1 - c_3 + c_5 - c_{12} - c_{15}) - (x-z)(c_1 - c_3 - c_5 + c_{12} + c_{15} + 2(c_6 - c_7))) \\ & +(-2+x-z)^3(6c_1 + 2(c_2 + c_4 + c_{12}) - 2y(c_1 - c_2 + c_4 - c_{12}) - (x+z)(c_1 - c_2 - c_4 + c_{12})) \\) \end{aligned}$$

Results

| Dataset | Size | Image size | bcc12 | bcc8 | bcc7 | bcc7/bcc8 | bcc7/bcc12 |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|------------|
| CT-Head | $128 \times 128 \times 56 \times 2$ | 512×512 | 26.5358 | 10.4807 | 12.7021 | 1.2120 | 0.4787 |
| Carp (part) | $64 \times 64 \times 128 \times 2$ | 512×512 | 16.0361 | 6.7642 | 8.2587 | 1.2210 | 0.5150 |
| MRI-Head | $128 \times 128 \times 128 \times 2$ | 512×512 | 35.2842 | 13.6075 | 16.4923 | 1.2120 | 0.4674 |
| VisMale | $64 \times 128 \times 128 \times 2$ | 512×512 | 36.5782 | 13.5530 | 16.9610 | 1.2515 | 0.4637 |
| ML | $39 \times 39 \times 39 \times 2$ | 480×320 | 33.7487 | 13.7503 | 16.8196 | 1.2232 | 0.4984 |
| ML | $31 \times 31 \times 31 \times 2$ | 480×320 | 34.2323 | 13.8090 | 16.7790 | 1.2151 | 0.4902 |
| ML | $26 \times 26 \times 26 \times 2$ | 480×320 | 34.2470 | 13.7327 | 16.7058 | 1.2165 | 0.4878 |
| ML | $22 \times 22 \times 22 \times 2$ | 480×320 | 34.8418 | 13.9543 | 16.9900 | 1.2175 | 0.4876 |
| ML | $19 \times 19 \times 19 \times 2$ | 480×320 | 35.5754 | 14.2897 | 17.2601 | 1.2079 | 0.4852 |

- Intel® Core™ i7 860 @2.80 GHz, Windows 7 Professional (64 bit), 8GB memory, NVIDIA GeForce GTX 460 .
- Datasets courtesy of “the vollib library”



Wrap-Up

Conclusion

- ▶ To boost the performance, we need a smart workaround to ditch conditional branches & lookup tables.
- ▶ Analytic normal computation is efficient & fast.
- ▶ Empty space skipping can be easily done and boosts the performance significantly. (Isosurface rendering only)

More Work

- ▶ Hierarchical spline on the FCC/BCC lattices
- ▶ Surface implicitization using the FCC/BCC lattices & signed distance fields
- ▶ Isosurface extraction
- ▶ FEM

Thank you