



# Computing Quasiconformal Mappings from Immersed Surfaces

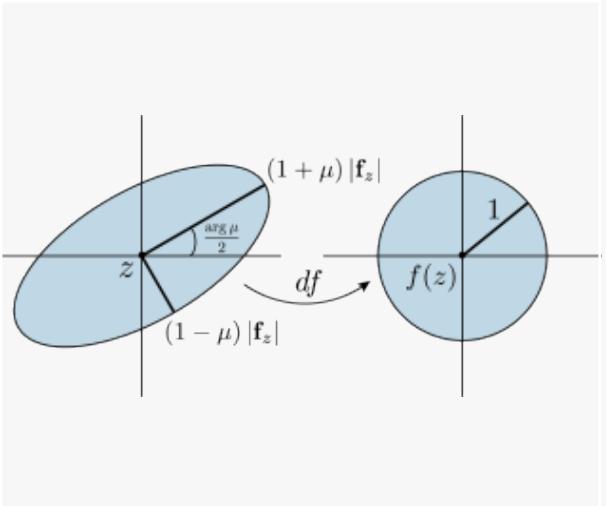
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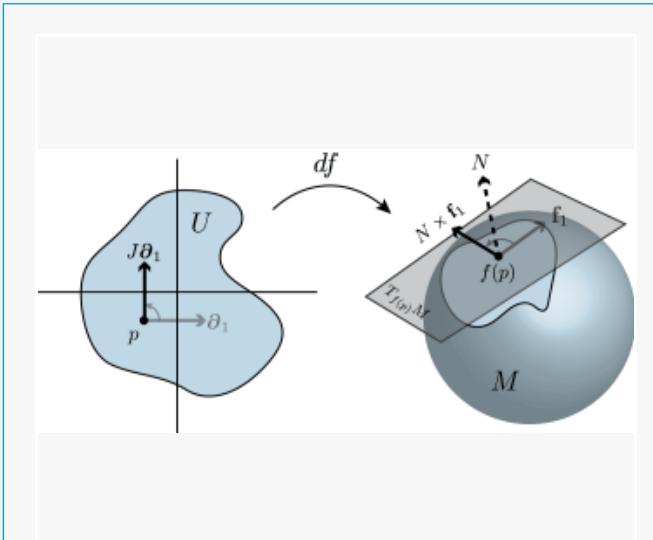


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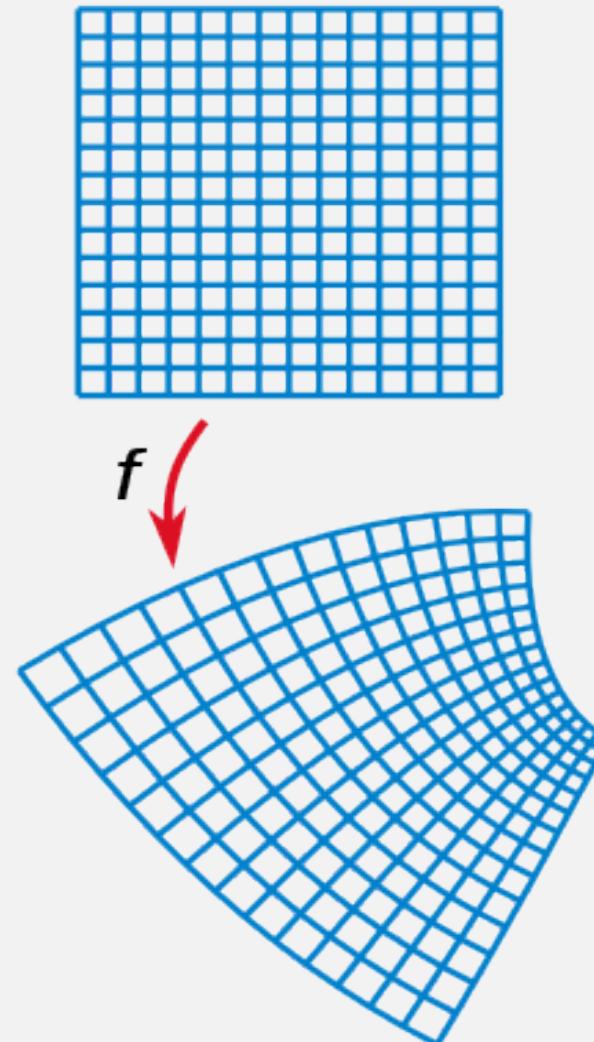
\* Preprint at <https://agrubertx.github.io>

# Classical Conformality

- Mapping  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  .
- Write the differential

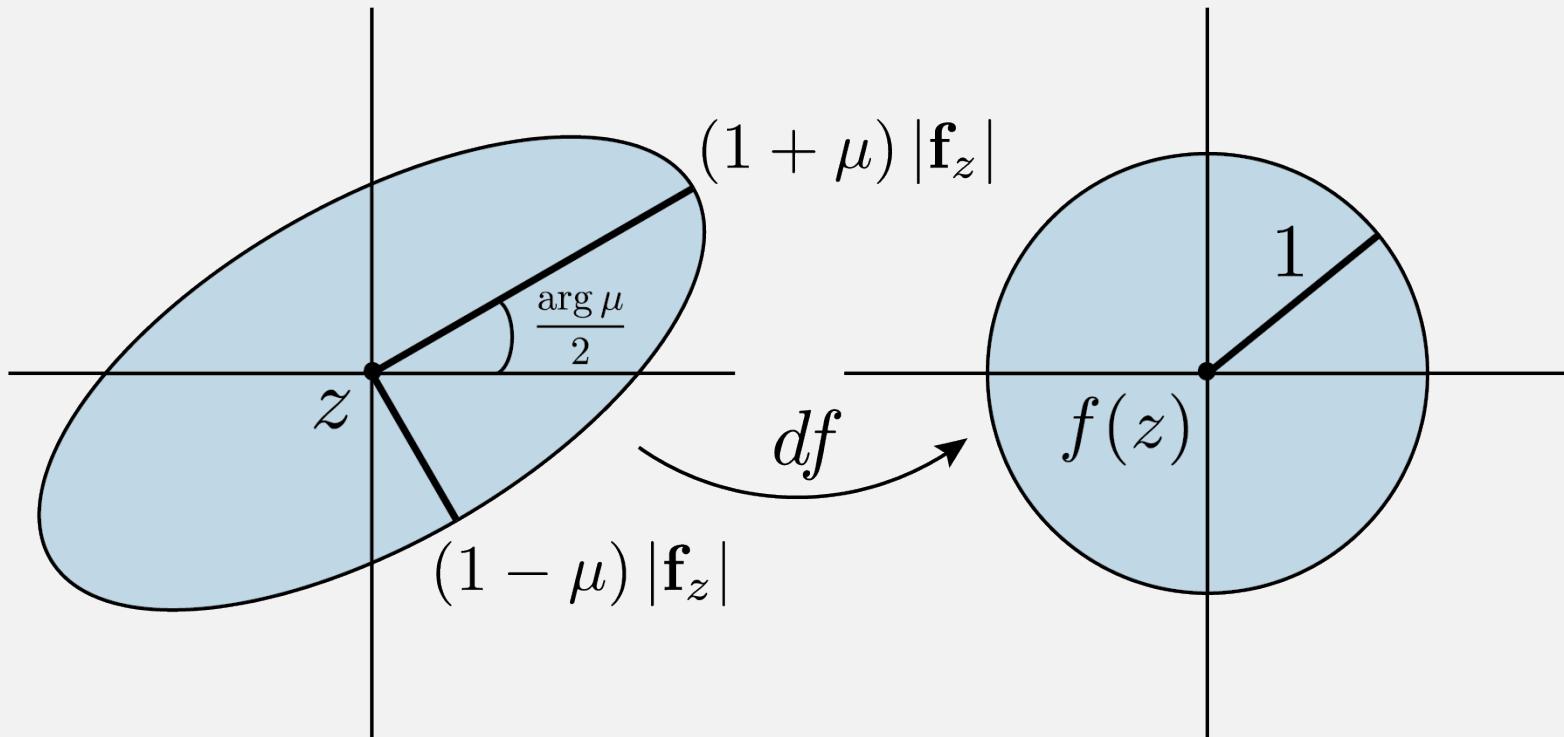
$$\begin{aligned} df &= f_x \, dx + f_y \, dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (f_x + i f_y)(dx - idy) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} (f_x - i f_y)(dx + idy) \\ &:= f_z \, dz + f_{\bar{z}} \, d\bar{z} . \end{aligned}$$

- $f$  is conformal if and only if  $f_{\bar{z}} \equiv 0$  .



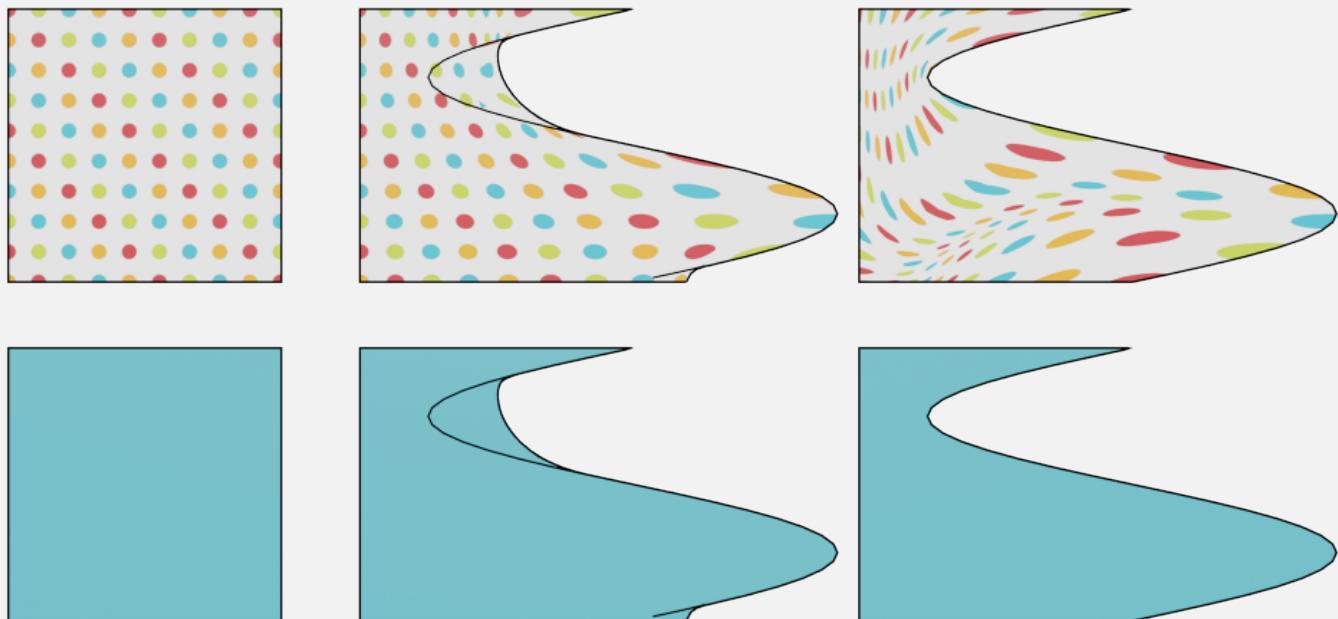
# Classical Quasiconformality

- Mapping  $f: \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .
  - Conformal if  $f_{\bar{z}} = 0$ .
- Quasiconformal:
$$f_{\bar{z}} = \mu f_z, \quad |\mu| < 1.$$
- Allows bounded shearing.
- $\text{Jac}(f) = |f_z|^2 - |f_{\bar{z}}|^2$ 
$$= |f_z|^2(1 - |\mu|^2)$$



# Why quasiconformality?

- Consider least-squares conformal mapping:
  - Minimize  $\int_M |f_{\bar{z}}|^2 i dz \wedge d\bar{z}$
- *May not interpolate boundary!*
  - Not enough conformal maps\*
- Quasiconformal *always* will.
  - Consequence of  $\text{Jac}(f) > 0$ .



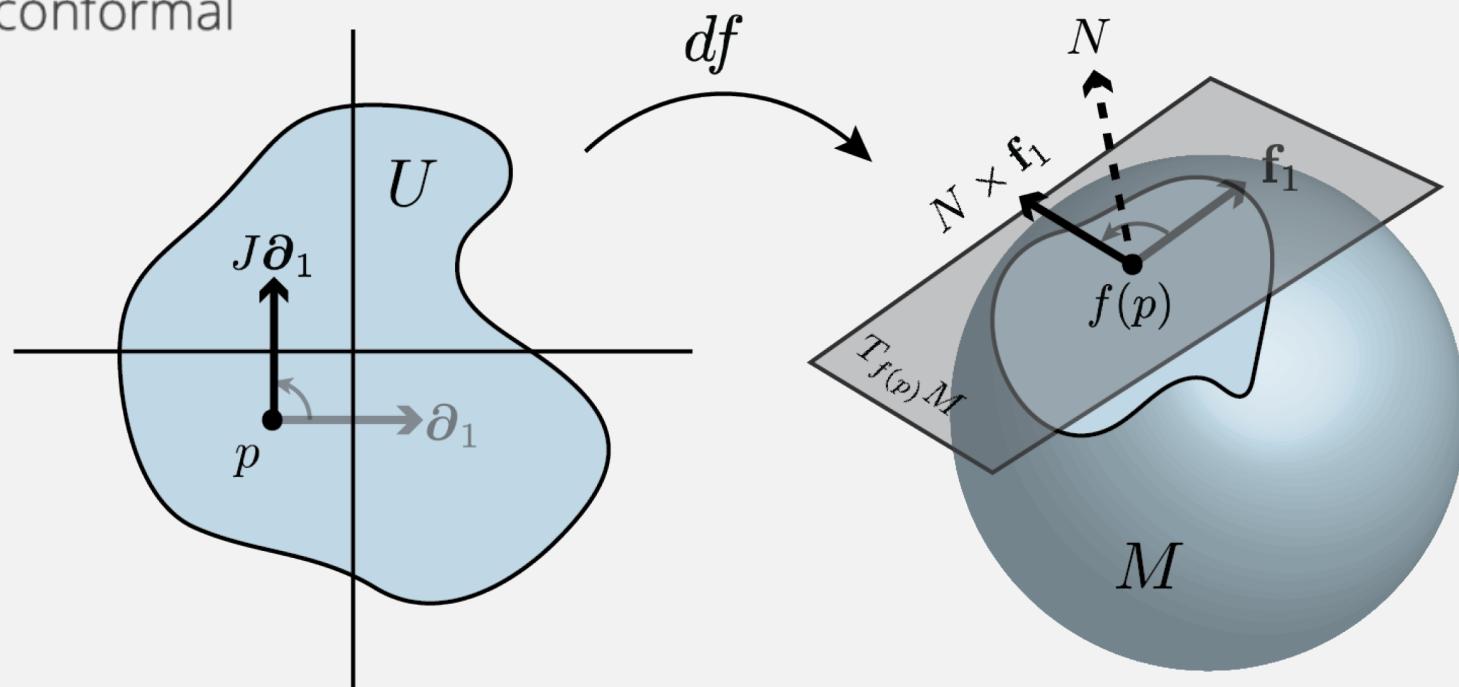
\*preserving a discrete boundary correspondence!

# What about Riemann surfaces?

- How to remove coordinate dependence?
- Consider  $f: M \rightarrow P$ ,  $df = df^+ + df^-$ .
- $df^- = \mu df^+$  won't work without modification.
  - Left side  $\mathbb{C}$ -antilinear, right side  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear!
- $df^- = df^+ \circ \mu$  makes sense. ("Classical version")
  - $\mu: TM \rightarrow TM$  is now  $\mathbb{C}$ -antilinear.
  - But we compose instead of multiply!

# Quaternionic Conformality

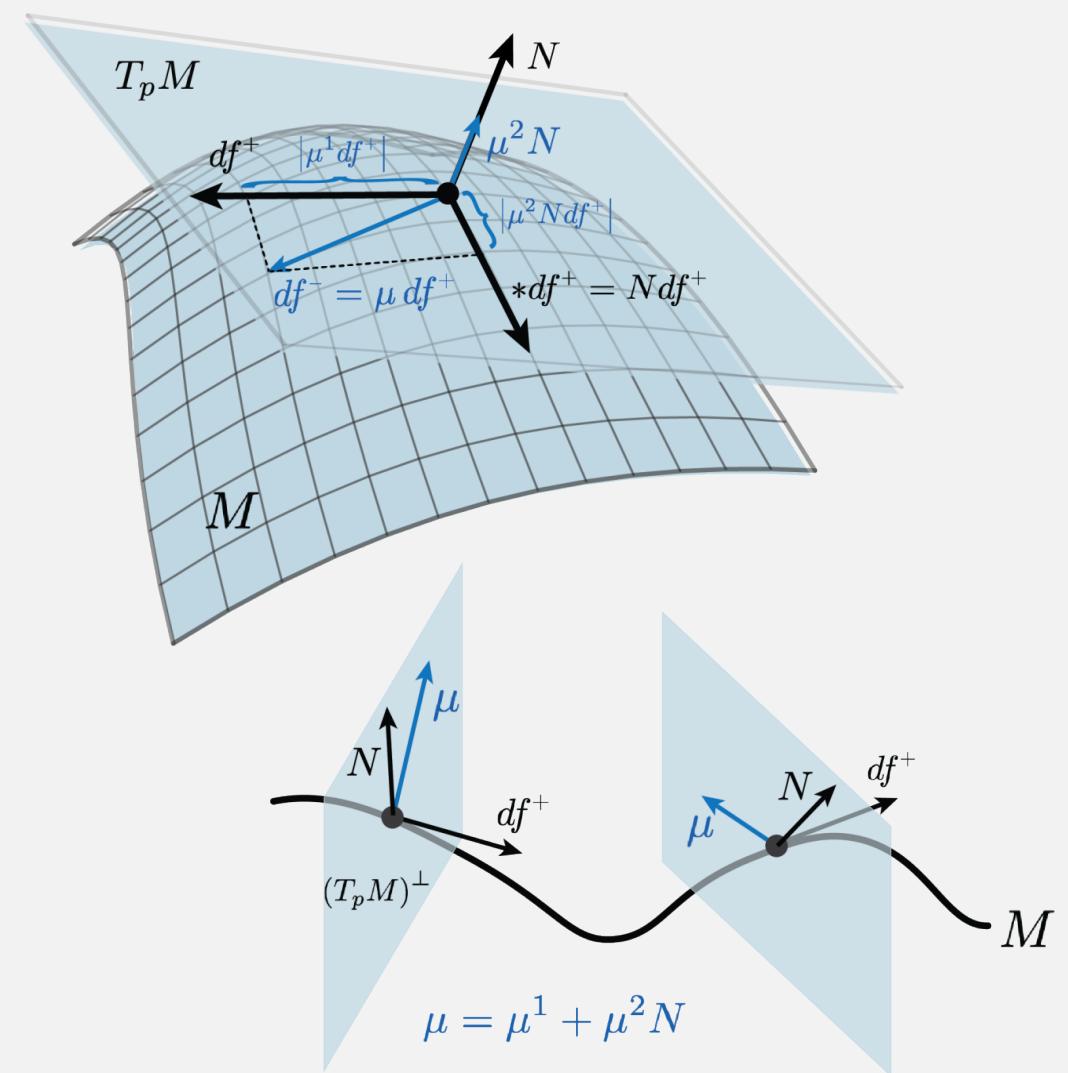
- Suppose  $M, P \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  immersed.
- (Kamberov et al. 1992)  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is conformal iff  $* df = N df$ .
- $J^2 = I_{TM}$  is complex structure and  $* df = df \circ J$ .
- Connects *intrinsic* notion with *extrinsic* representation!



\* Burstall, Ferus, Kamberov, Leschke, Pedit, Pinkall

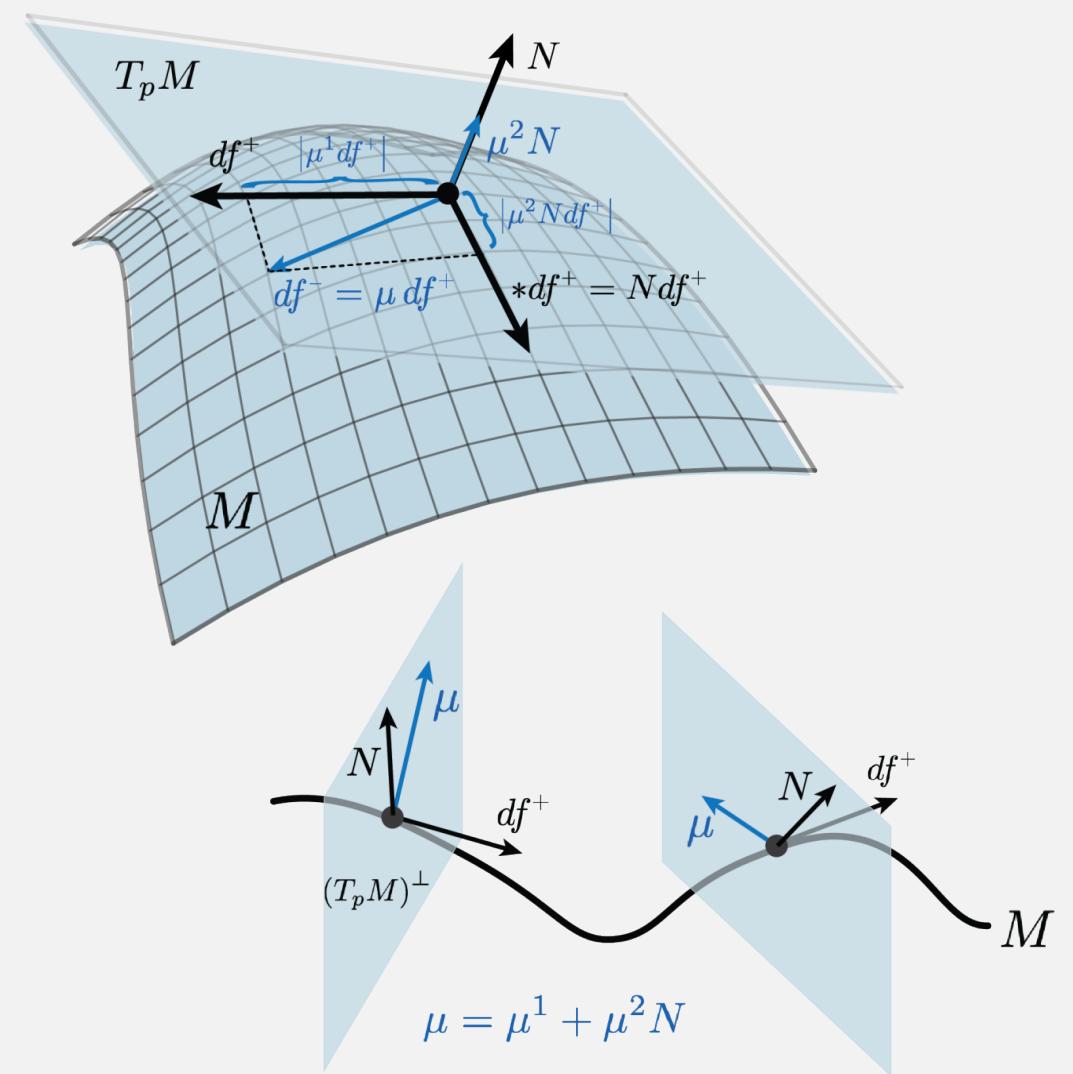
# Quaternionic Quasiconformality

- With quaternionic algebra:
  - $f: M \rightarrow P \subset \mathbb{R}^3, df = df^+ + df^-.$
- $df^\pm = \frac{1}{2}(df \mp N * df)$ 
  - Conformal/anticonformal parts.
- $df^- = \mu df^+ \text{ is now possible!}$ 
  - If  $\mu: TM \rightarrow (TM)^\perp$  is normal-valued!



# Quaternionic Quasiconformality

- $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is quasiconformal iff  $df^- = \mu df^+$ ,  $|\mu| < 1$ .
- *Proof:* write  $\mu(v) = \mu^1(v)v + \mu^2(v)Jv$ ,  
$$\begin{aligned} df^+ \circ \mu(v) &= df^+(\mu^1(v)v + \mu^2(v)Jv) \\ &= (\mu^1(v) + \mu^2(v)N)df^+(v) \\ &= \mu(v)df^+(v). \end{aligned}$$
- Quaternionic algebra converts *composition* to *multiplication*!



## Aside: what is $\mu$ ?

- Write the induced metric

$$f^* \delta = |df|^2 = |df^+|^2 + |df^-|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(df^+ \overline{df^-})$$

- The (2,0)-part is the *Hopf differential*,  $Q = df^+ \overline{df^-}$ .
- Expanding yields  $4Q = |df|^2 - |* df|^2 - \langle df, * df \rangle N$ .
  - $Q$  is normal-valued!
- For quasiconformal  $f$ , can show  $\mu = * \bar{Q}$ .

# Least-squares QC Map

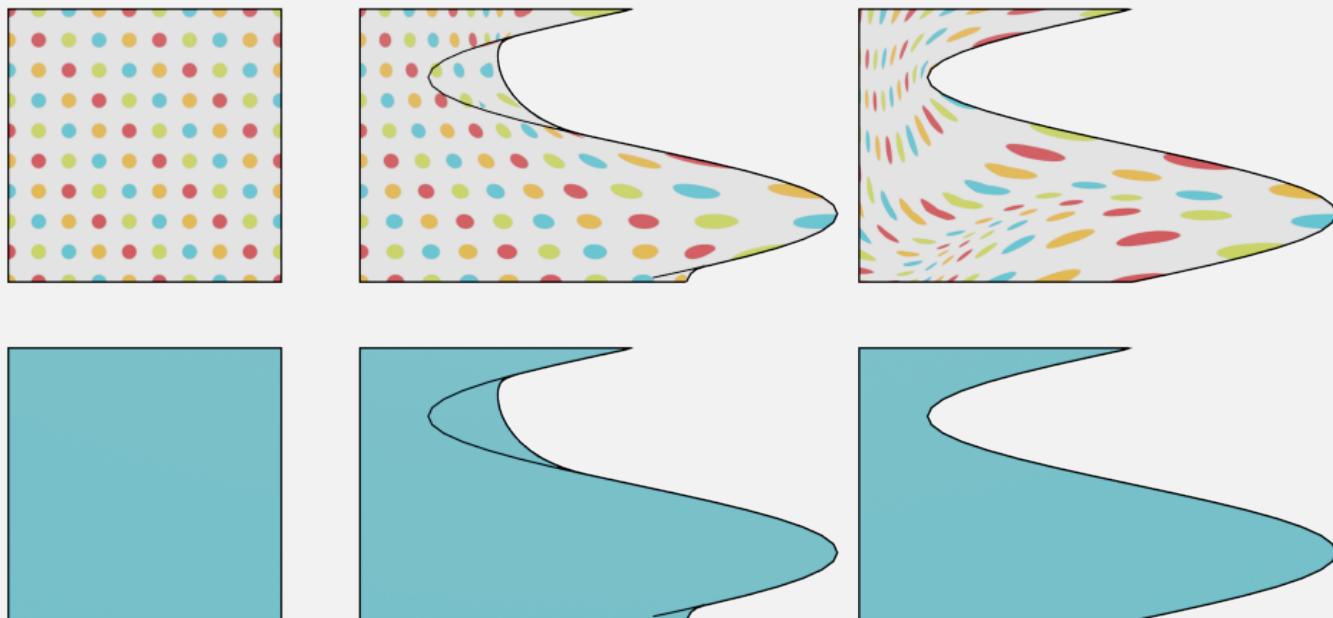
- Consider the *quasiconformal distortion*

$$QC_\mu(f) = \frac{1}{2} \int_M |df^- - \mu df^+|^2 dS_g$$

- Want to solve:

$$\arg \min_{f \in [f_0]} QC_\mu(f), \quad f|_{\partial M} = f_0|_{\partial M} .$$

- $f_0: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given, defines homotopy class and boundary data.



# Least-squares QC Map

- Fix  $g, N$ , and write  $f = f_0 + t\varphi$  for some  $\varphi: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , then

$$\delta QC_\mu(f_0)\varphi = \int_M \langle df_0^- - \mu df_0^+, d\varphi^- - \mu d\varphi^+ \rangle dS_g$$

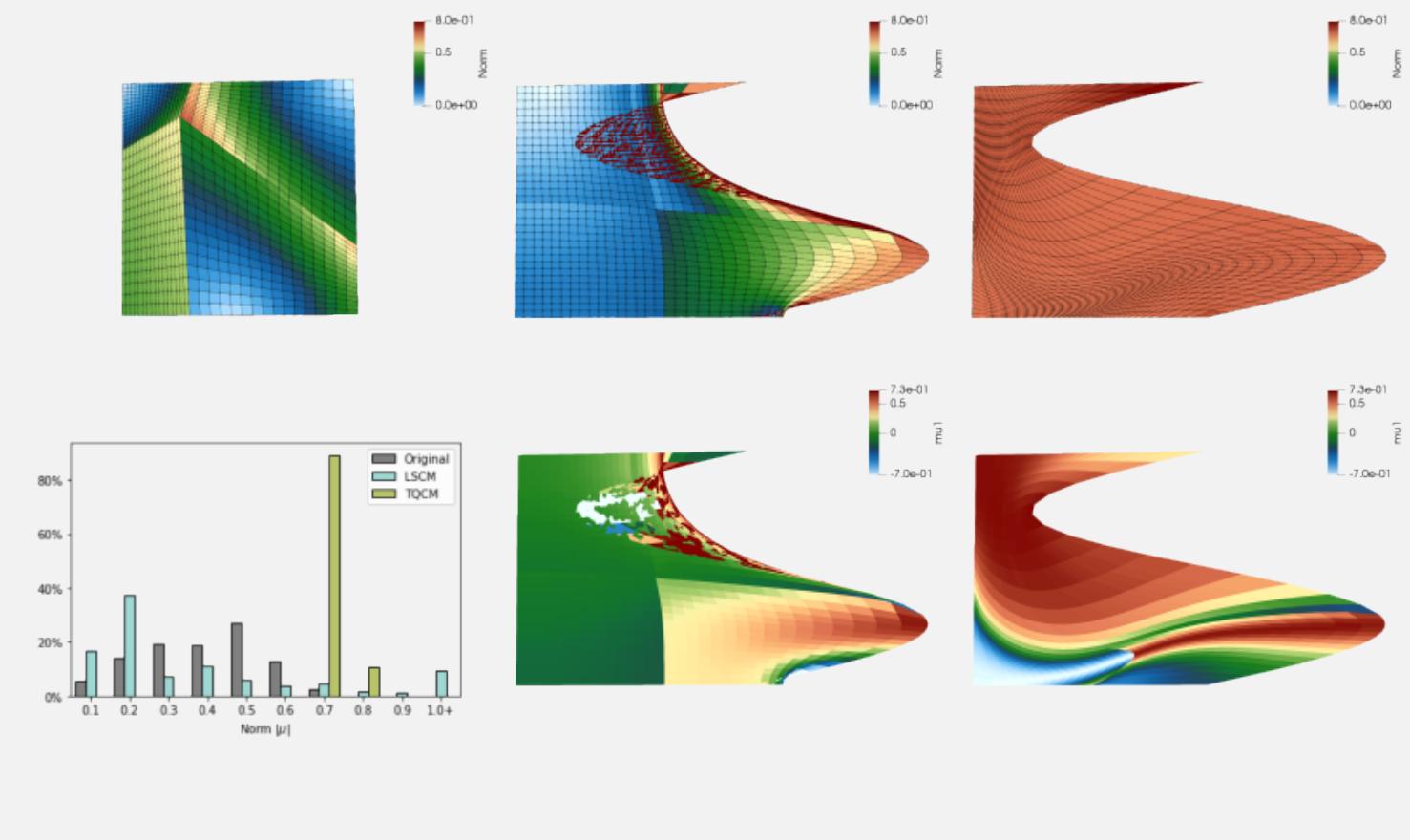
- Solving  $\delta QC_\mu(f_0)\varphi = \mathbf{0}$  yields LSQC map matching initial data.
- In practice, we discretize with p.w. linear finite elements.
  - Can also enforce constraints through Lagrange multipliers.

# How do we get $\mu$ ?

- Developed quaternionic version of QC Iteration (Lui et. al. 2014).

- Computes optimal Teichmuller (TM) map between planar domains.
- TM maps *minimize* the *maximal dilatation*  $K =$

$$\frac{1+|\mu|_\infty}{1-|\mu|_\infty}.$$



# QC Iteration

- Idea is alternating minimization.
- (3) involves heat flow on norm/argument separately.

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## Algorithm 2 Overview of the quaternionic QC Iteration

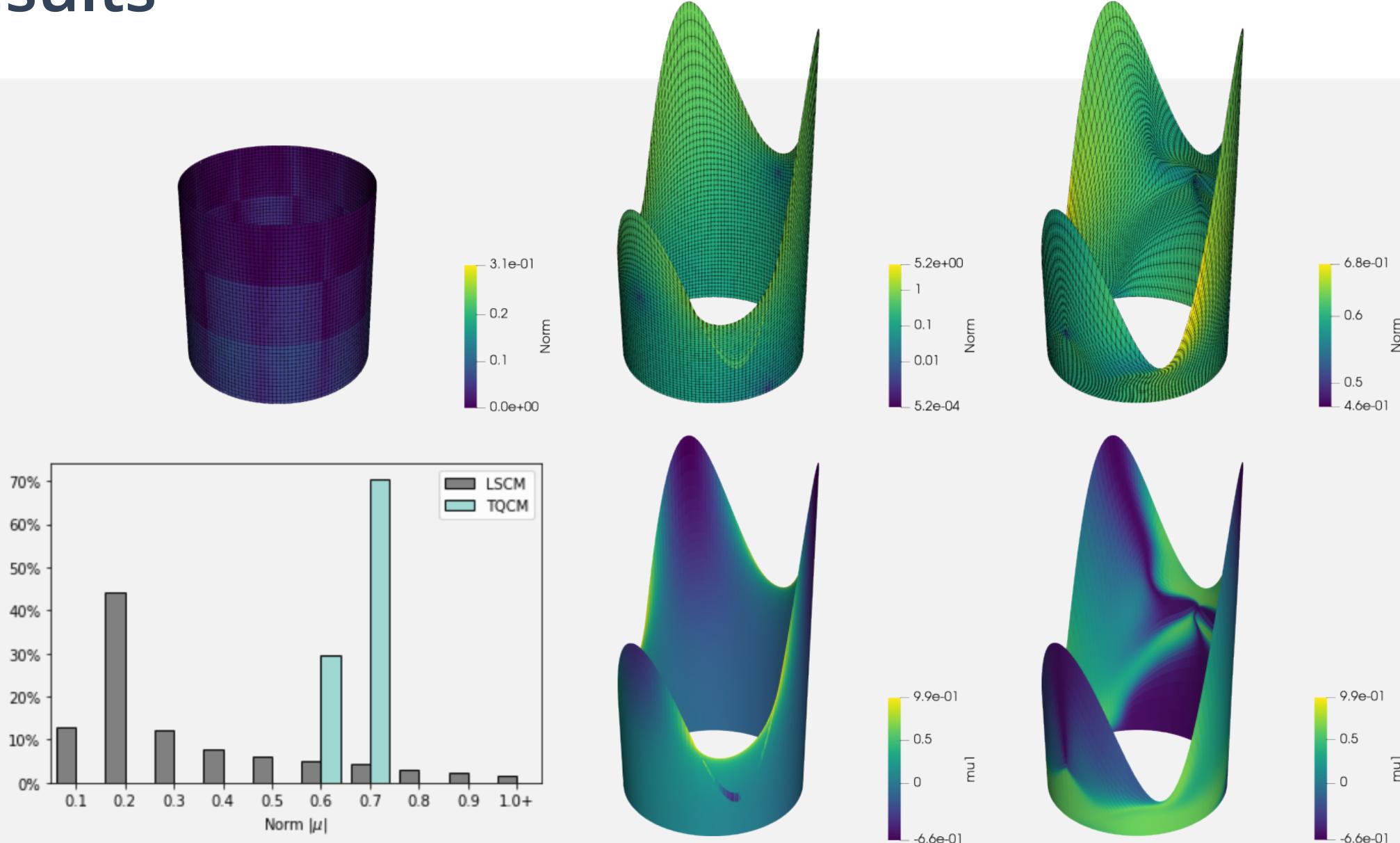
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**Require:** Surface  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  and homotopy class  $[f']$ . Beltrami coefficient  $\mu_0 = 0$ . Stopping tolerance  $\varepsilon > 0$  and maximum iteration number  $n_t > 0$ .

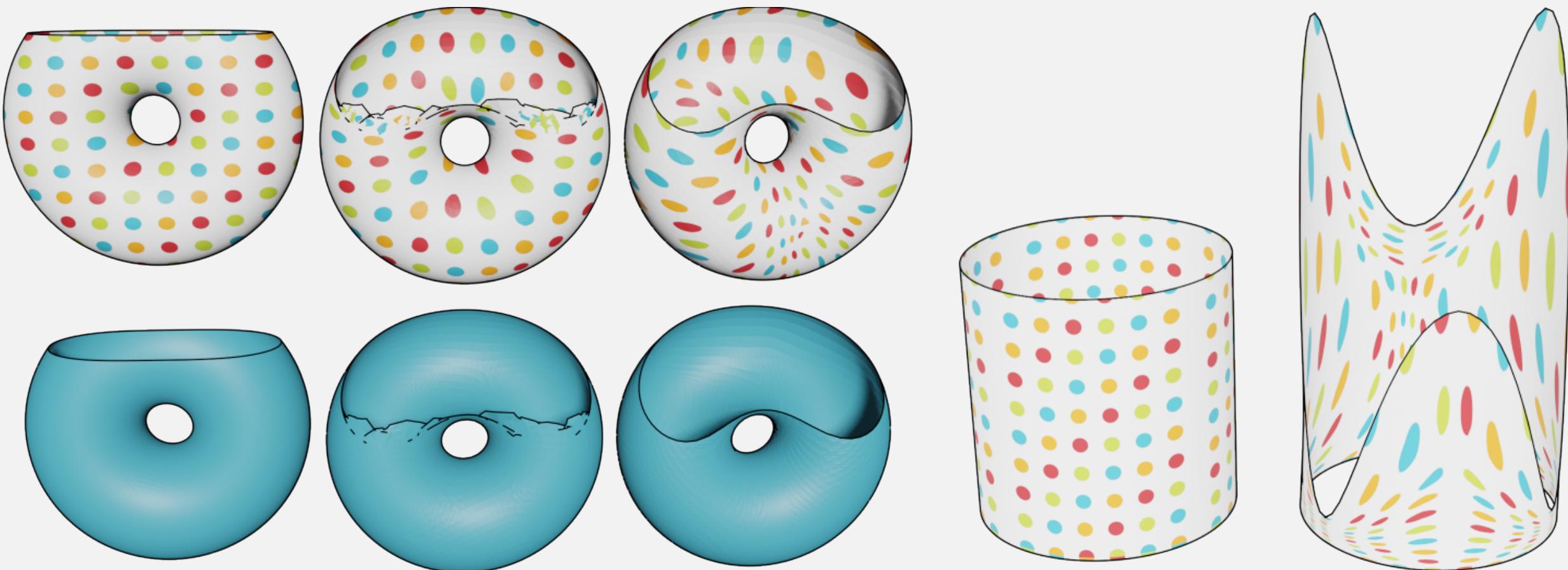
- 1: **while**  $0 \leq k \leq n_t$  and  $QC_{\mu_k}(f_k) > \varepsilon$  **do**
- 2:   (1) Given  $\mu_k$ , Minimize  $QC_{\mu_k}$  for  $f_k : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ .
- 3:   (2) Compute  $\mu_{k+1}$  algebraically given  $f_k$ .
- 4:   (3) Post-process  $\mu_{k+1}$  to bring it closer to Teichmüller form.
- 5:   (4) Minimize  $QC_{\mu}(f_k)$  for  $\mu$  on the line between  $\mu_k$  and  $\mu_{k+1}$ , generating  $\mu_{k+1} \leftarrow \mu$ .
- 6: **end while**
- 7: **return**  $(f, \mu)$

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# Results



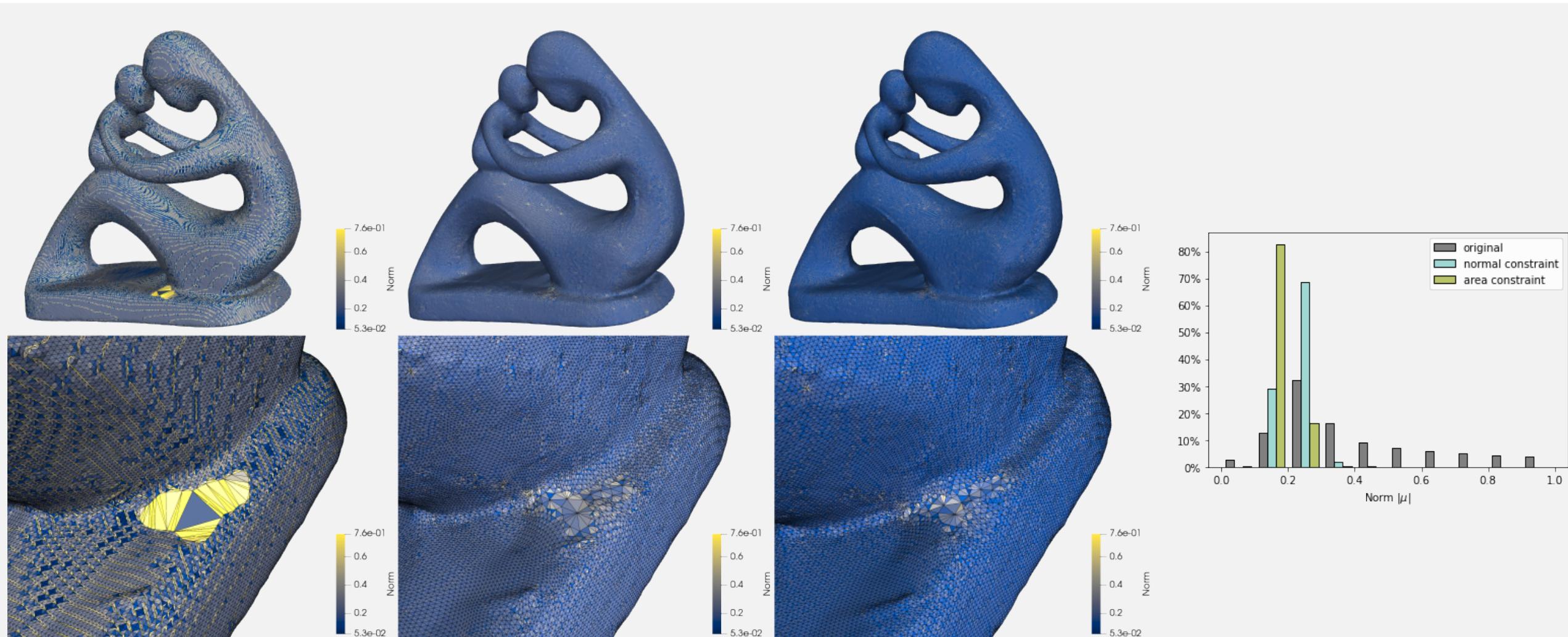
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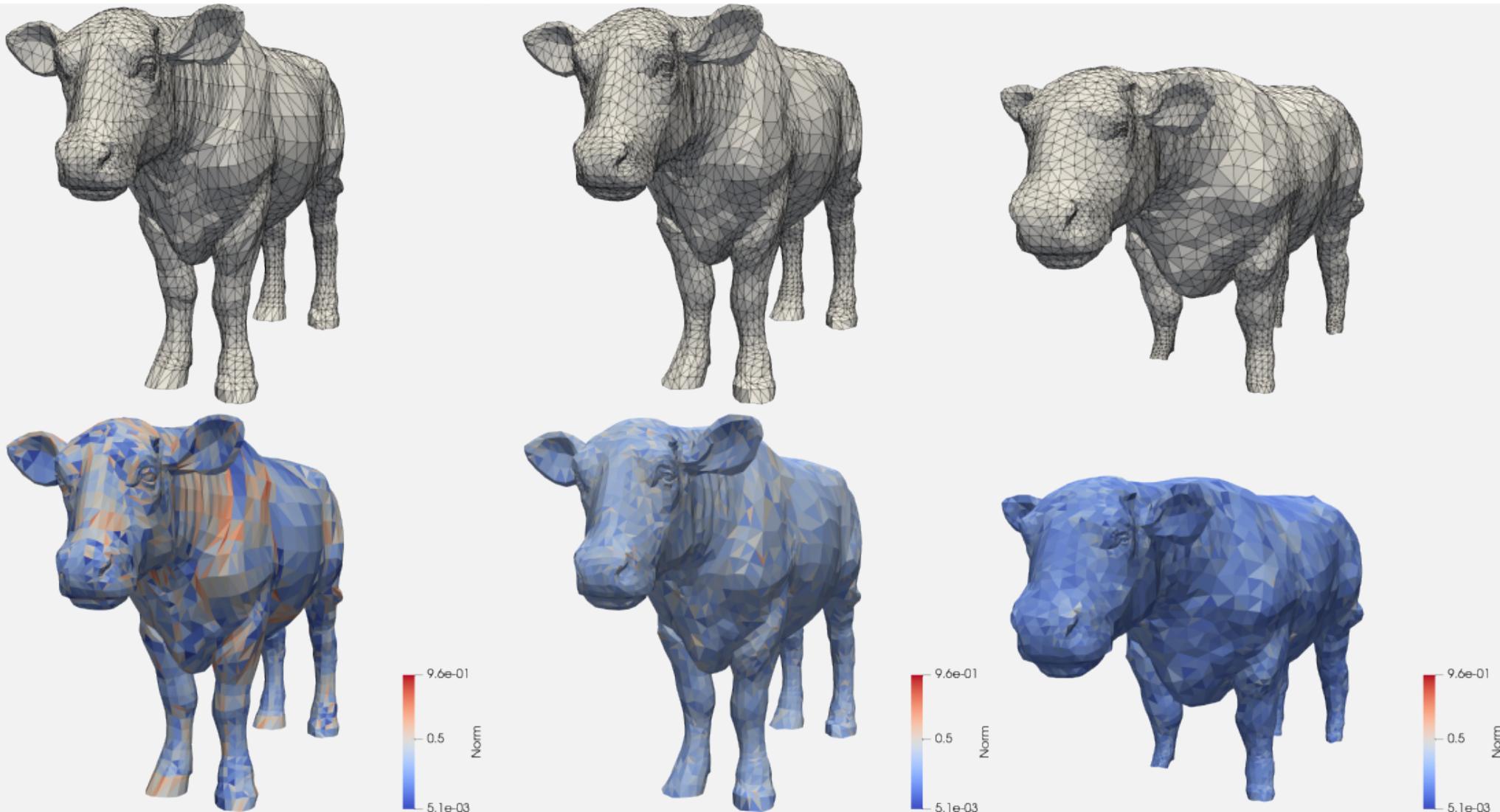
# Application: mesh editing

- Can fix “bad” triangulations of  $M$  (determined by  $g$ ).
- Compute optimal TM map  $(M, g_{\text{ref}}) \rightarrow (M, g)$ .
  - Metric  $g_{\text{ref}}$  is not necessary, only need  $[g_{\text{ref}}]$ .
  - Conformal class specified by target interior angles.
- Minimize  $QC_\mu$  w.r.t.  $g_{\text{ref}}$ .
  - Include constraint on extrinsic geometry.

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# Thank you!

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