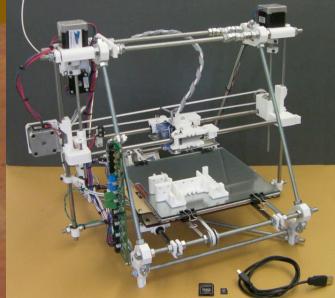
3D-printing of Generative Art by using Combination and Deformation of Direction-specified 3D Parts

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Introduction

- Direction-specified 3D modeling method and FDM-based printing method for directed models were proposed.
 - These methods enable expression of natural or artificial directions, such as hairs, fabric, or other directed textures, in modeled objects.

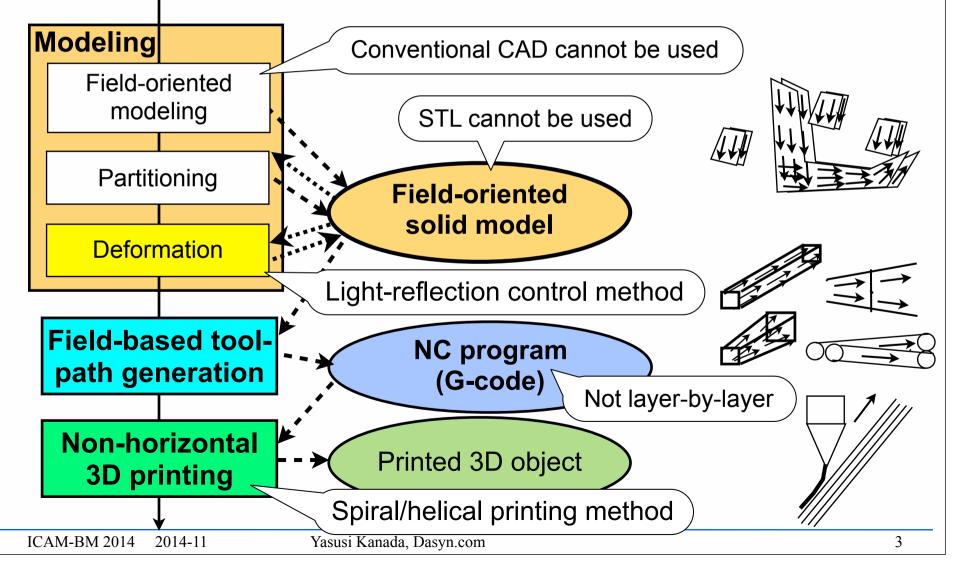


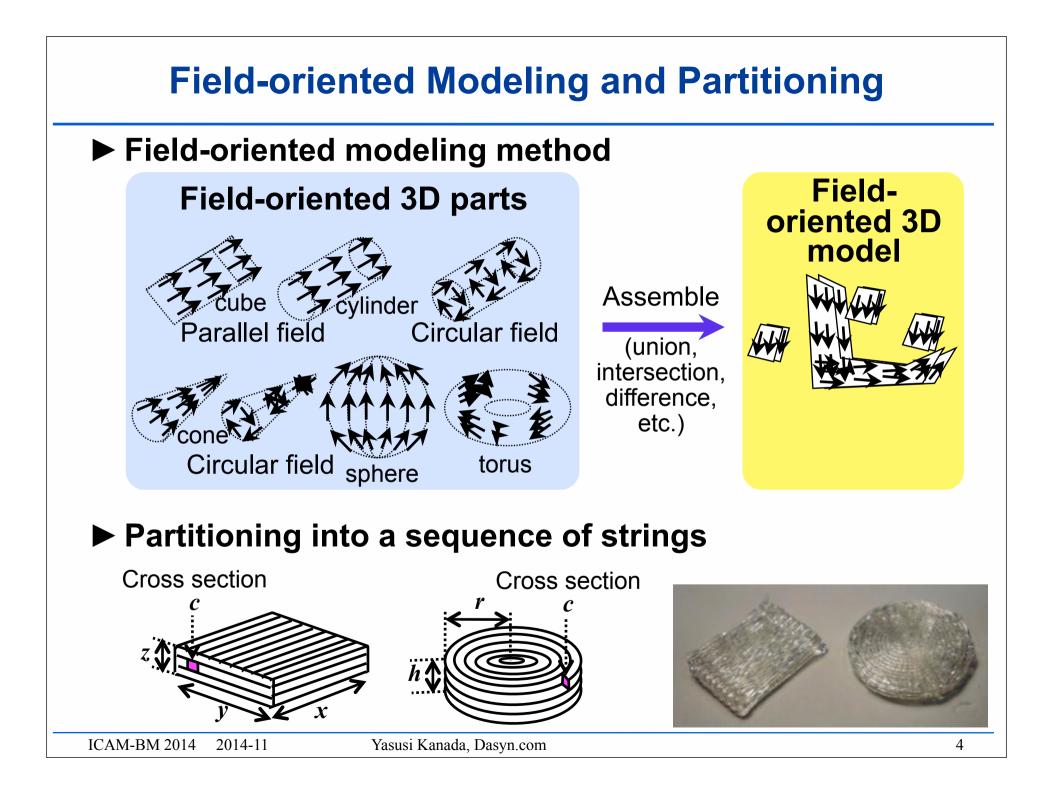
- Based on these methods, a method for creating various shapes using the following techniques is proposed.
 - Deformation enables transforming simple 3D models to create varieties of shapes by generative design.
 - Spiral/helical printing method enables seamless print results by making filament directions of the surface & interior portion consistent.
 - Light-reflection control method for the spiral/helical printing with transparent filament.

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Outline of Direction-specified Methods

A methodology for modeling and printing "directed" 3D models with three steps were proposed.





Representation of Models

Pstart

Pend

- ► This model is suited for deformation.
- A model is represented by a sequence of directed strings.
 - Directed string: (P_{start}, P_{end}, c, v)
 - P_{start}: tail
 - P_{end} : head
 - c : cross section of string
 - v : printing speed

► Models must be printable.

Printing directions must be properly designed.

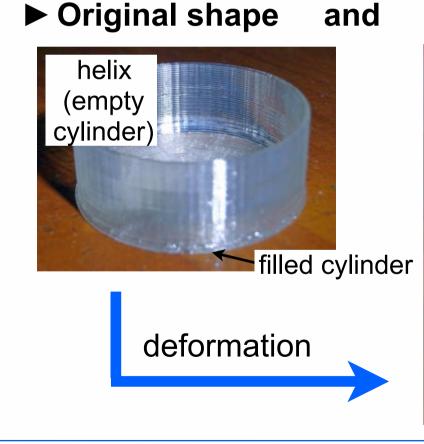
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Deformation: Method

► Purpose:

To generate various (artistic) shapes and directions in a generative way while preserving printability.



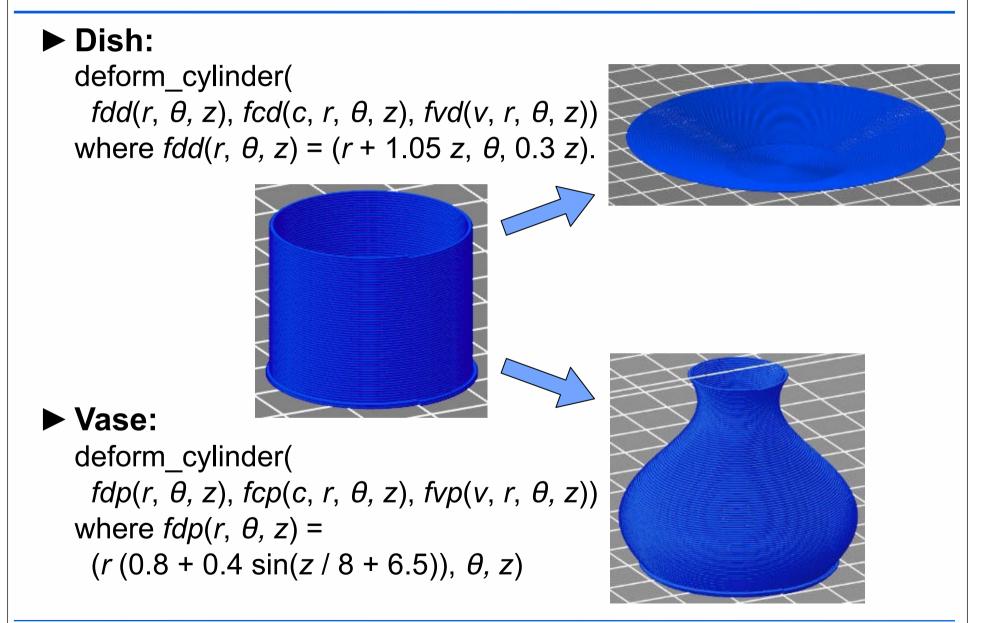
Deformed shapes



Description of Deformations

- Deformation using Descartes coordinates deform_xyz(fd(x, y, z), fc(c, x, y, z), fv(v, x, y, z))
 - *fd* maps a location (x, y, z) to a new location (x', y', z').
 - *fc* maps a cross section at (x, y, z) to a new cross section at (x', y', z').
 - fv maps a printing speed at (x, y, z) to a new speed at (x', y', z').
- Deformation using cylinder coordinates deform_cylinder(*fd*(*r*, θ, *z*), *fc*(*c*, *r*, θ, *z*), *fv*(*v*, *r*, θ, *z*))
 - *fd* maps a location (r, θ , z), which is expressed in cylinder coordinates, to a new location (r', θ' , z').
 - *fc* maps a cross section at location (r, θ , z) to a new cross section at (r', θ' , z').
 - *fv* maps a head speed at location (r, θ, z) to a new speed at (r', θ', z') .

Deformation: Axisymmetric Examples

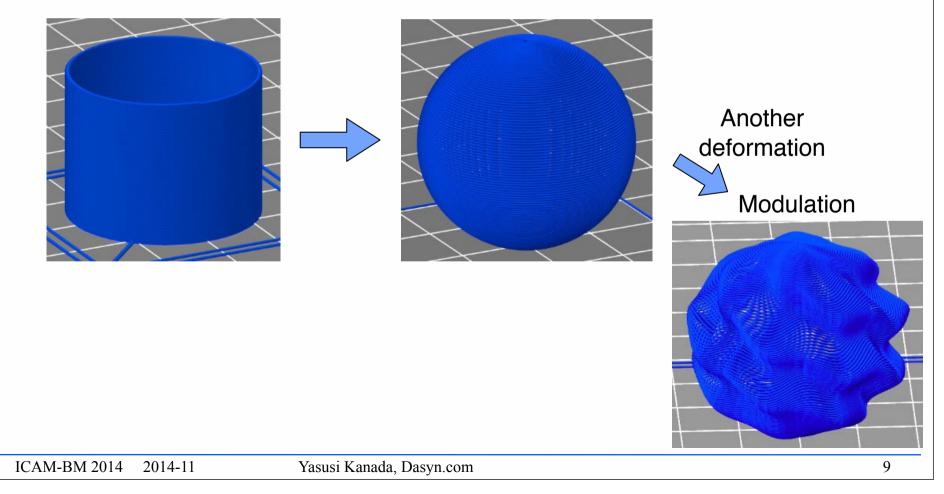


Deformation: Axisymmetric Examples (cont'd)*

► Sphere:

deform_cylinder($fds(r, \theta, z)$, $fvs(v, r, \theta, z)$, $fcs(c, r, \theta, z)$) where $fds(r, \theta, z) =$

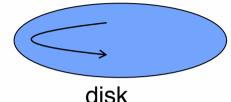
(Radius * sin(z / cylinderHeight), θ , r - Radius * cos(z / cylinderHeight))



Spiral/helical Printing Method

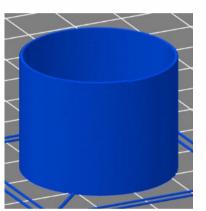
Printing parts spirally or helically in this method.

■ A (mostly) horizontal surface can be printed spirally.



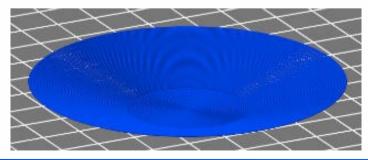


■ A horizontally-closed surface can be printed helically.



Advantages of spiral/helical printing method

- Seams (non-printing head motions) can be reduced by this method.
- Low-angle overhang without support is allowed by this method.



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Light-reflection Control Method

- Brilliantly shining objects can be generated by transparent filaments such as clear PLA.
- The amount and the direction of reflection can be controlled.
 - Reflection controlled by overhang angle

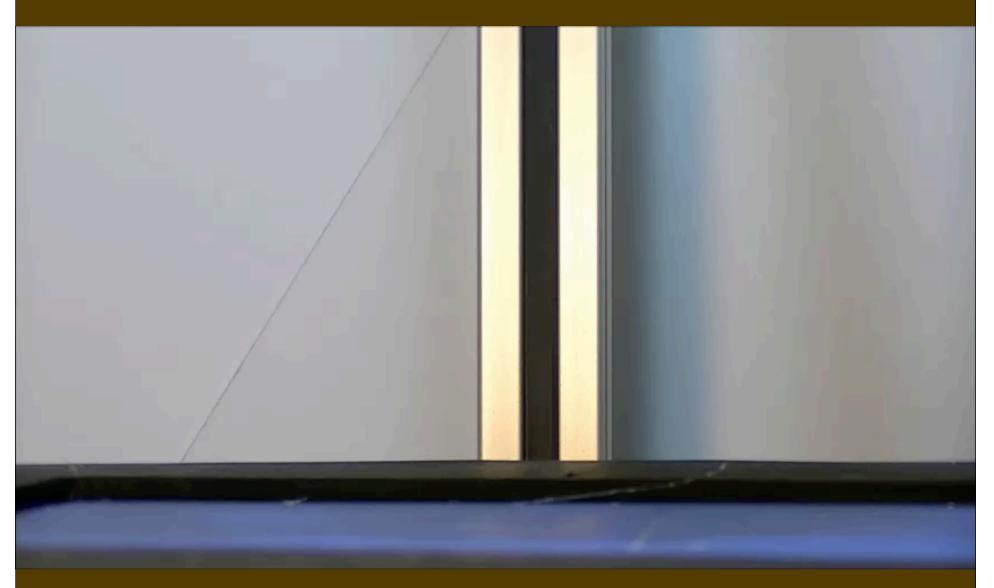


 Reflection controlled by filament density

Weak Strong reflection reflection



Printing Process of Dish and Result



YouTube http://youtu.be/5P1vaahzW98

Summary and Conclusion

Summary

- A method for creating various shapes by using the following three techniques was developed:
 - Deformation
 - Spiral/helical printing method
 - Light reflection control method.
- This method was implemented and evaluated.

Conclusion

- The proposed method works well for thin axisymmetric shapes.
- Object with variety of (artistic) shapes and attractive attributes such as brilliant reflection can be obtained by deforming thin axisymmetric shapes.