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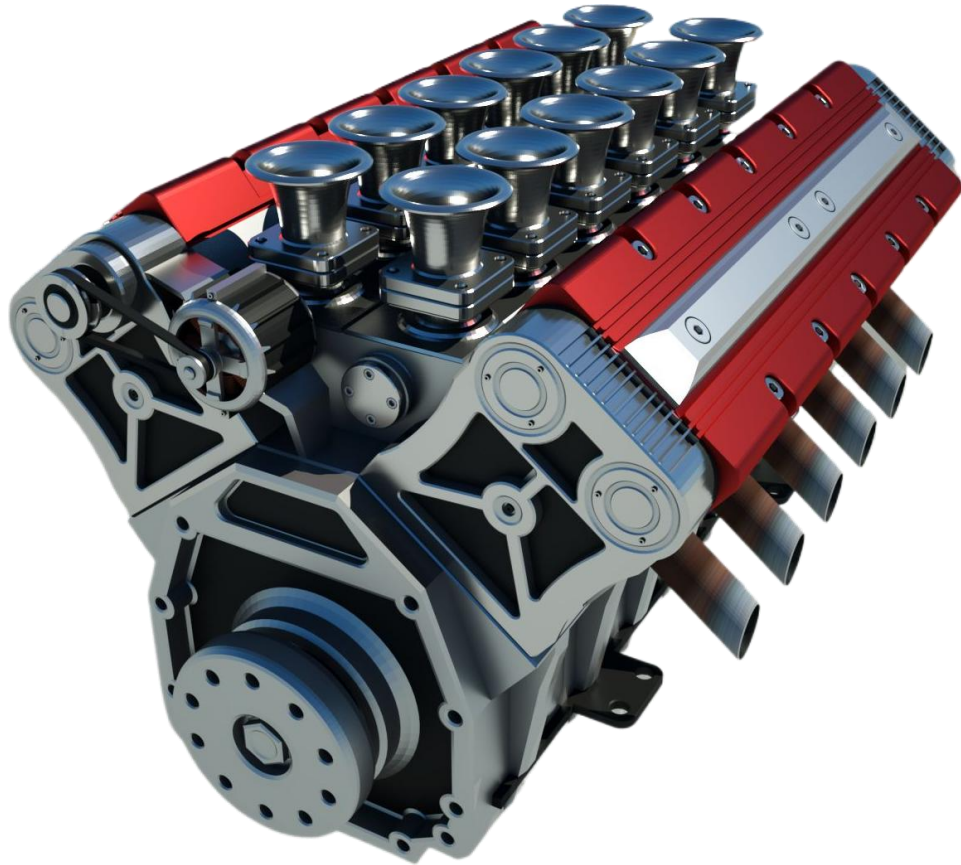


# Interactive Reverse Engineering of CAD Models

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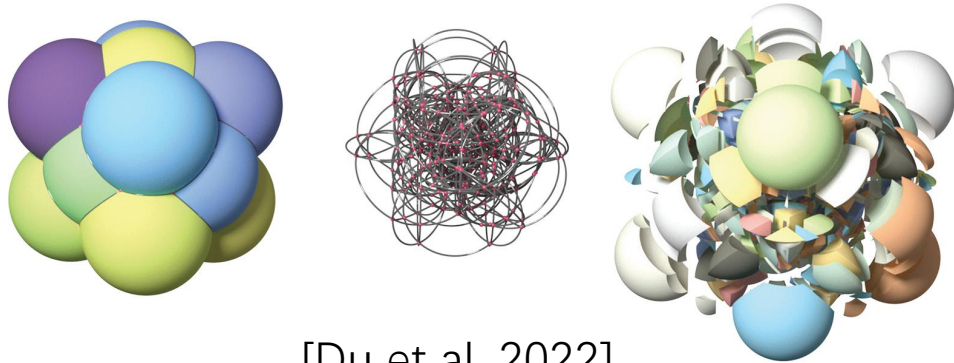


[Det et al. 2018]

## Manufacturing and Production

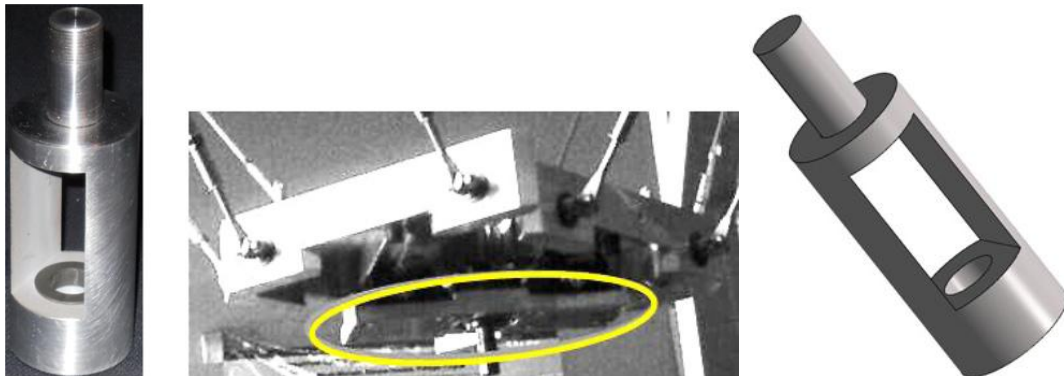
- **Improving Existing Products:** Reverse modeling existing products to **improve** design and functionality
- **Custom Parts:** Manufacturing **custom** parts based on models of existing components

- **Structural Analysis**



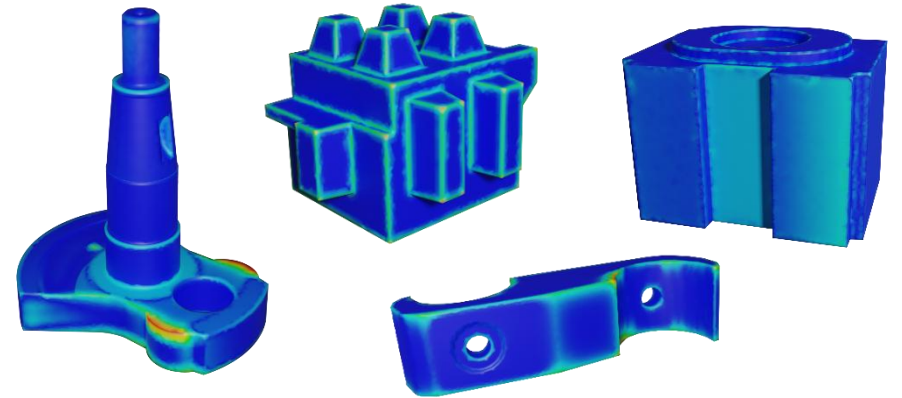
[Du et al. 2022]

- **Spare Parts Manufacturing**

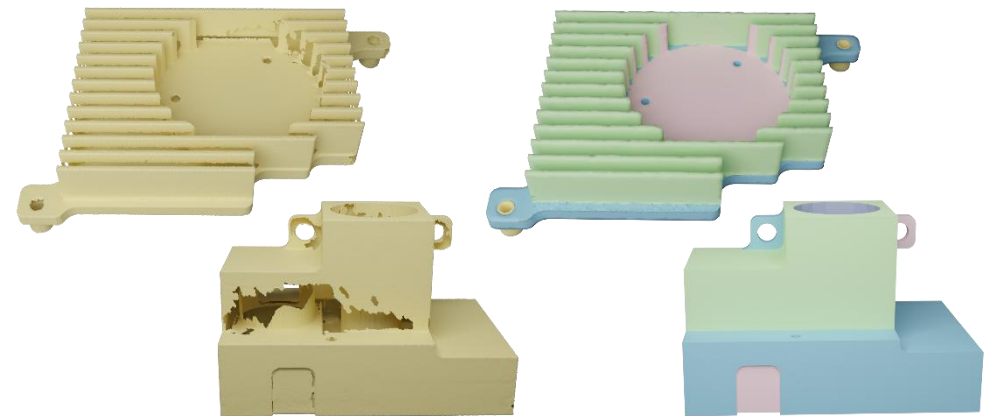


[Roseline et al. 2013]

- **Error Detection**



- **Repair and Retrofit**

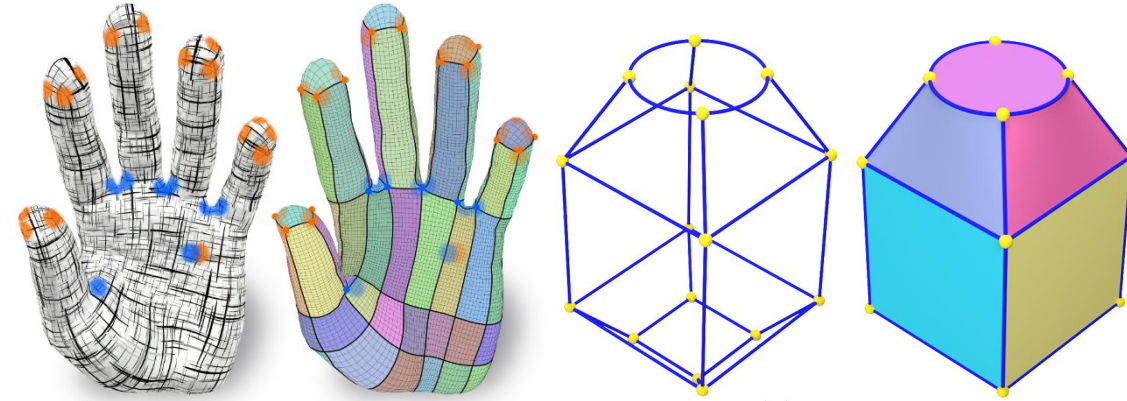


# Solutions – B-rep, CSG, and Feature Modeling

## B-rep

**Problem:** Represent a CAD model with **multiple primitives**

**Solution:** Extract the Boundary Representation of a CAD model



[Lyon et al. 2021]

[Guo et al. 2022]

## CSG

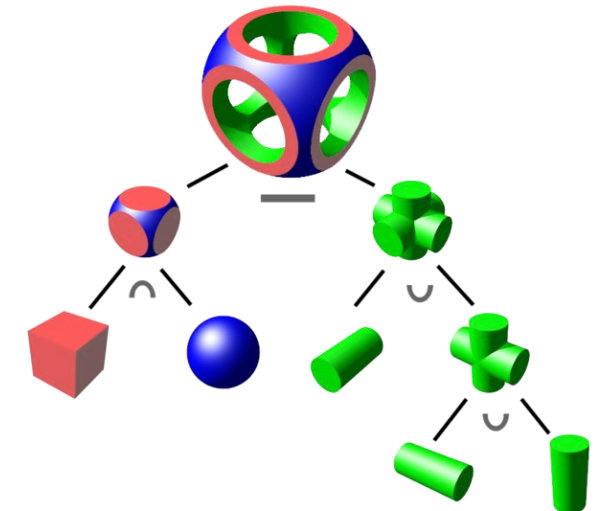
**Problem:**

- Analyze the original geometric composition of standard components
- Provide a method for precise representation and structure modeling

**Cons:**

Difficult to represent **complex or organic shapes**

Represent irregular or **free-form shapes** is challenging



[Wiki]

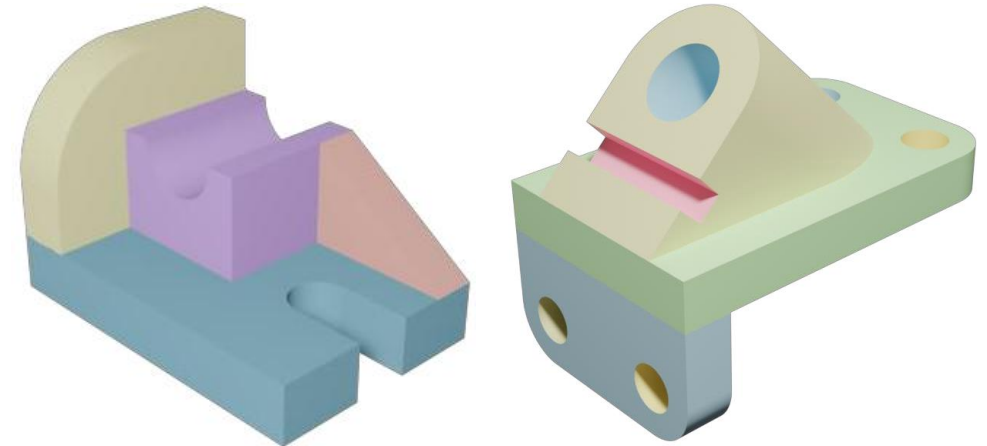
## Feature Modeling

**Problem:** Reproduce the steps of *forward modeling* of CAD models to reconstruct the model

**Solution:** Create sketches on standard surfaces, which are then used to manipulate and construct the model

### Cons:

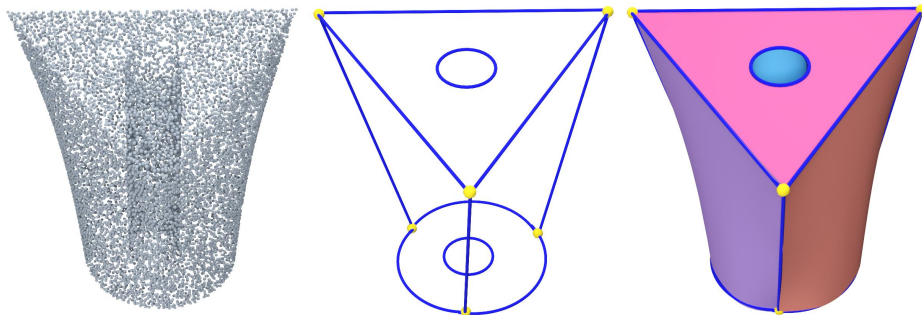
- Interactive operations are complex, high learning costs
- Modeling is time consuming



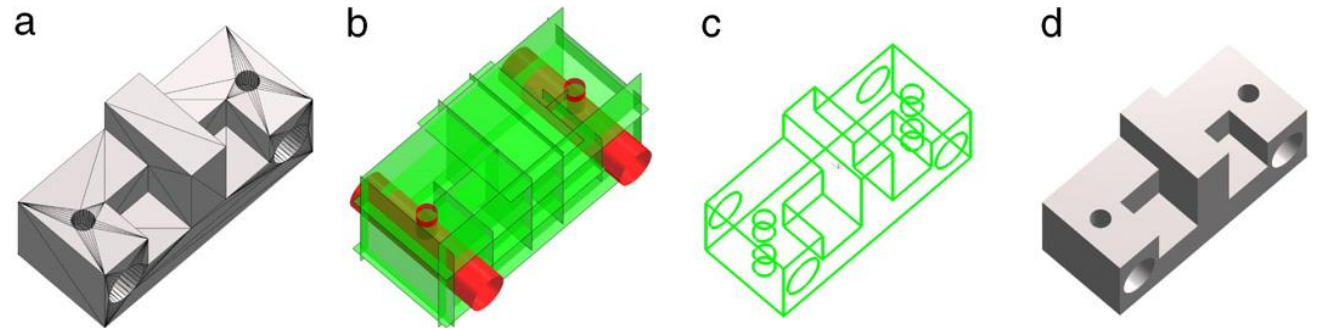
We restore the forward modeling process from CAD models and alleviate interaction

# RELATED WORK

- Boundary Representation**

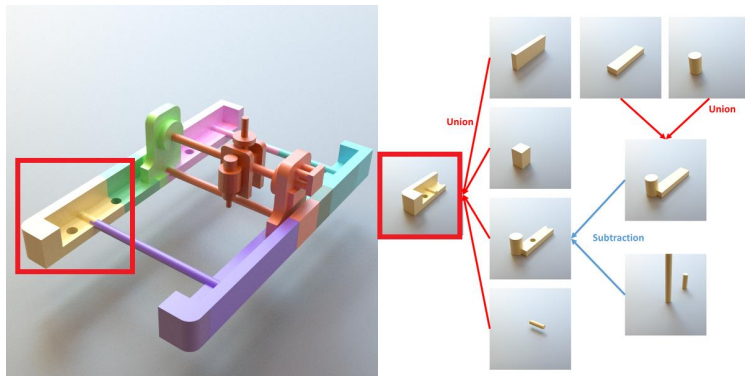


ComplexGen  
[Guo et al. 2022]

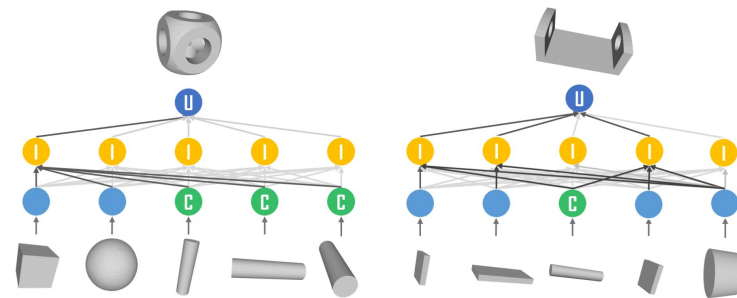


Reverse engineering from 3D meshes to CAD models  
[Roseline et al. 2013]

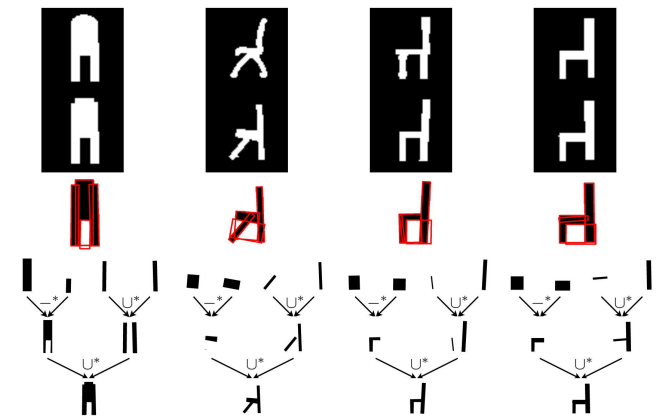
- Constructive Solid Geometry**



InverseCSG [Du et al. 2018]

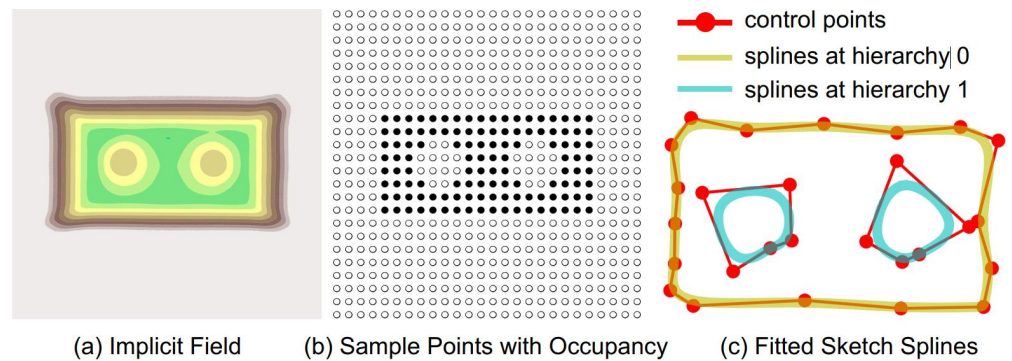


CSG-Stump [Ren et al. 2021]

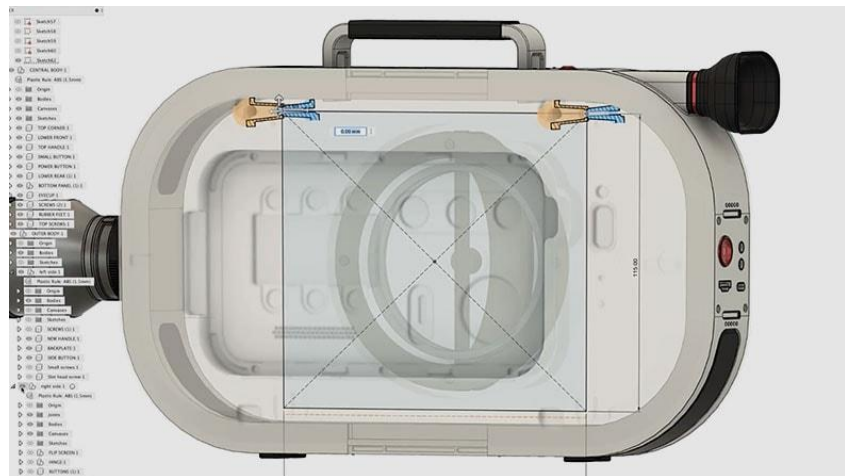


UCSG-NET [Kania et al. 2020]

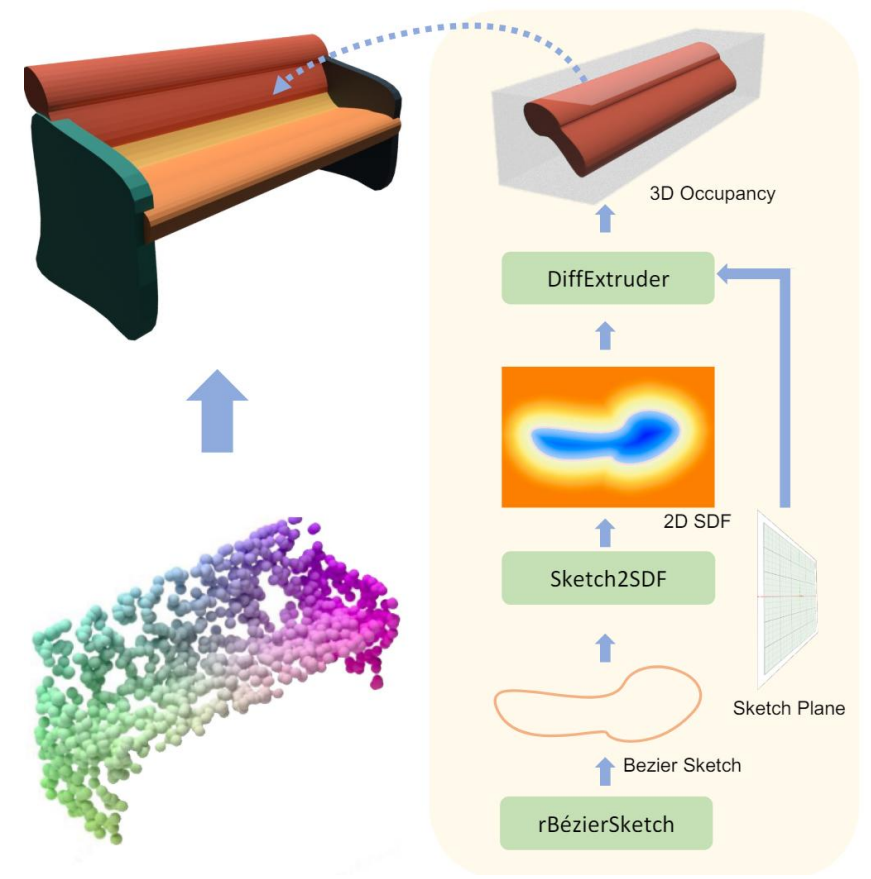
- Feature Modeling



SECAD-Net  
[Li et al. 2023]



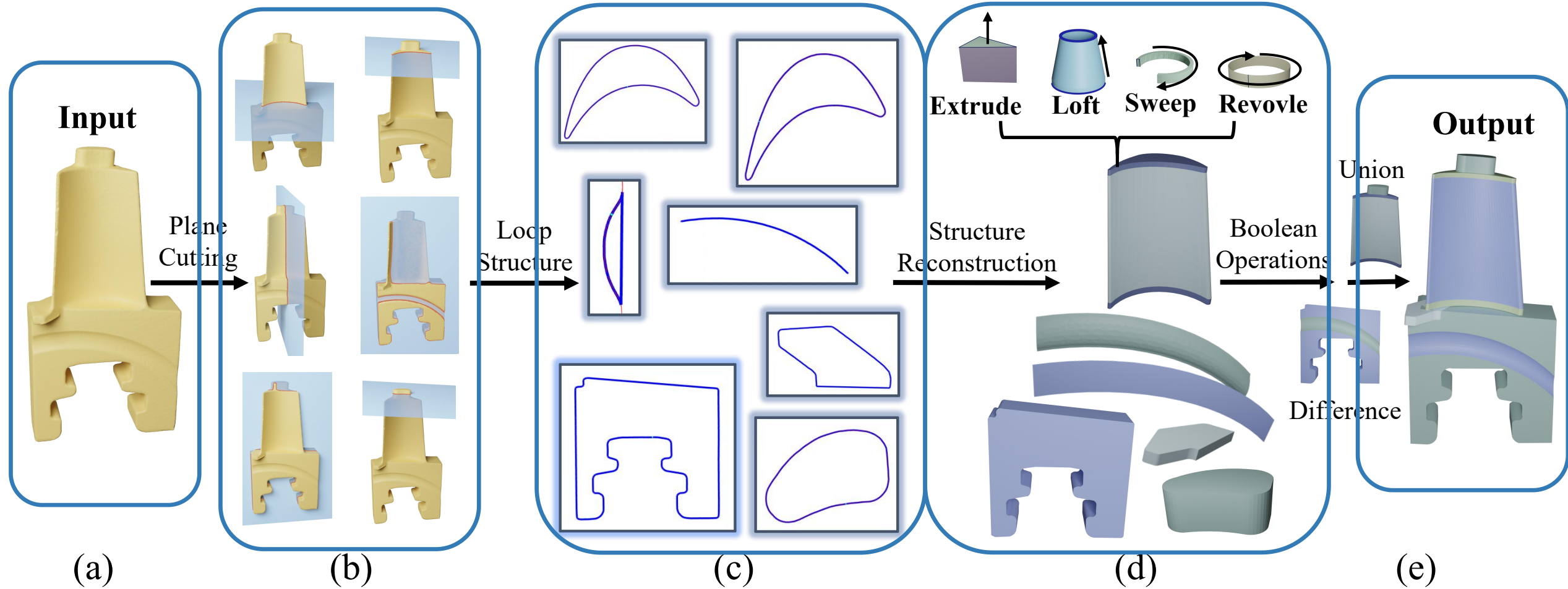
Autodesk Fusion 360  
[Verma G. book. 2018]



Extrudenet  
[Ren et al. 2022]

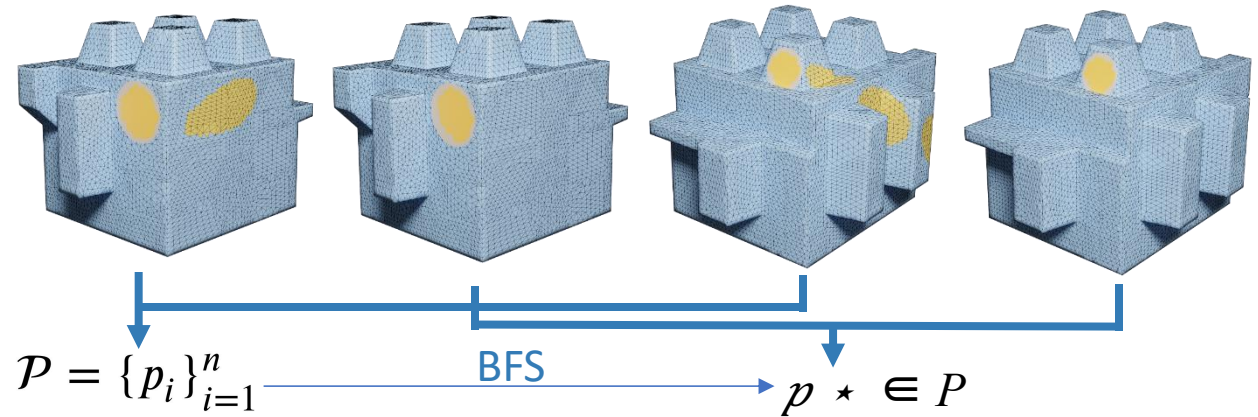


# METHOD



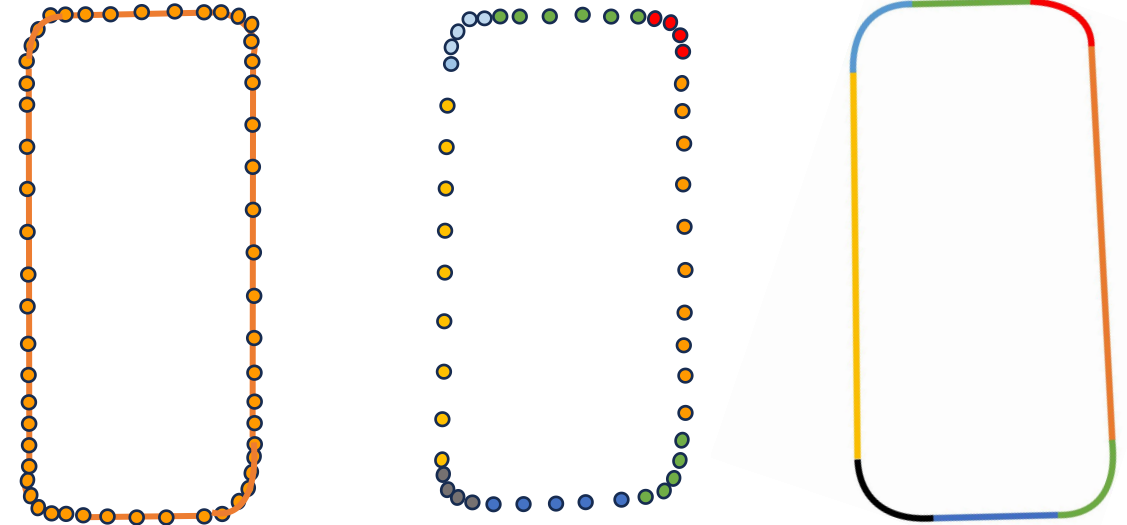
## Cutting Plane

- Select a set of patches with on each model
- Optimize and re-pick the patches until the BFS algorithm converges



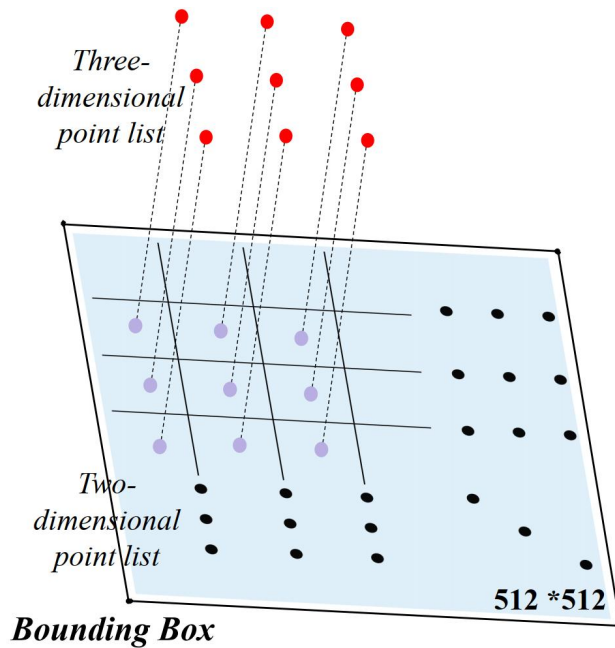
## Loop Structure

- Split the cutting line as two types of primitives, **line** and **arc**, according to its **curvature feature**
- Adopt the **Ramer-Douglas-Peucker (RDP)** algorithm to **approximate** the cutting line by a set of **line segments**
- Fit the primitive edges by judging the **endpoints** of the primitives based on a predetermined **threshold**

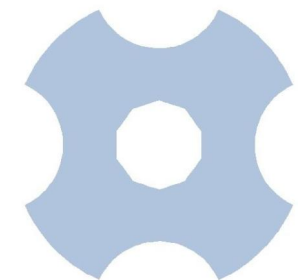
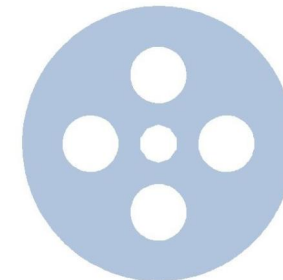
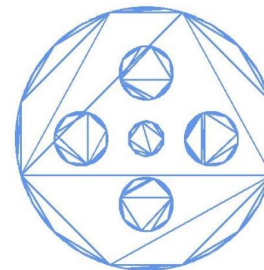
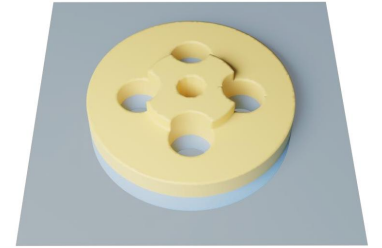


## Extruding Structure

- Project the sampled points on the cut line from 3D to 2D



- We perform **Delaunay triangulations** on the 2D point set
- We **fill** the interior of the triangles, getting a binary mask
- We use the **IoU similarity** between the two masks to determine the **rough extrusion position**
- We employ a five-step bisection search to find the **exact position** of the cutting

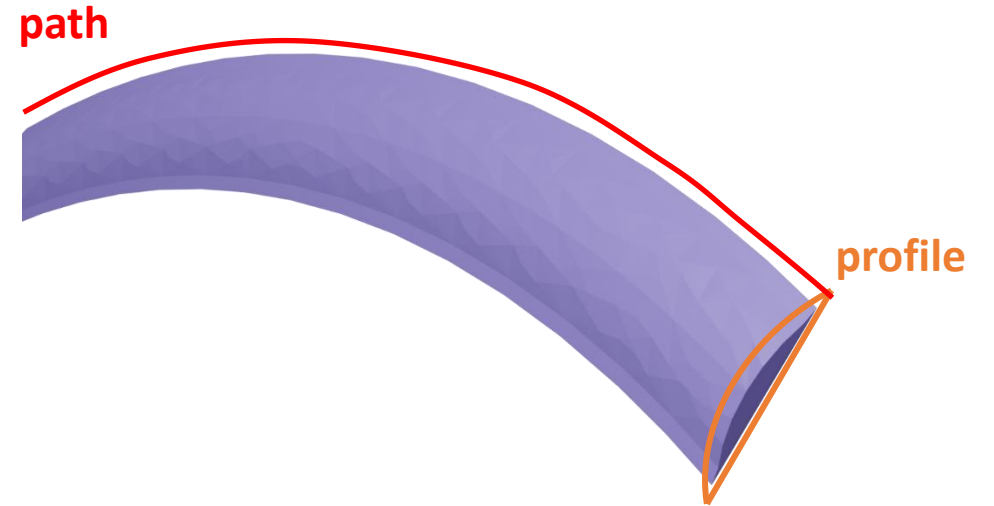


## Sweeping Structure

- Given a sweeping **path** and a **profile** curve, a translational form of the sweeping surface can be represented by

$$S(u, v) = T(v) + C(u)$$

- Control points: 
$$T(v) = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^m N_{j,q}(v)w_j^T T_j}{\sum_{j=0}^m N_{j,q}(v)w_j^T}$$
- Control points: 
$$C(u) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n N_{i,p}(u)w_i^C C_i}{\sum_{i=0}^n N_{i,p}(u)w_i^C}$$



Sweeping surface:

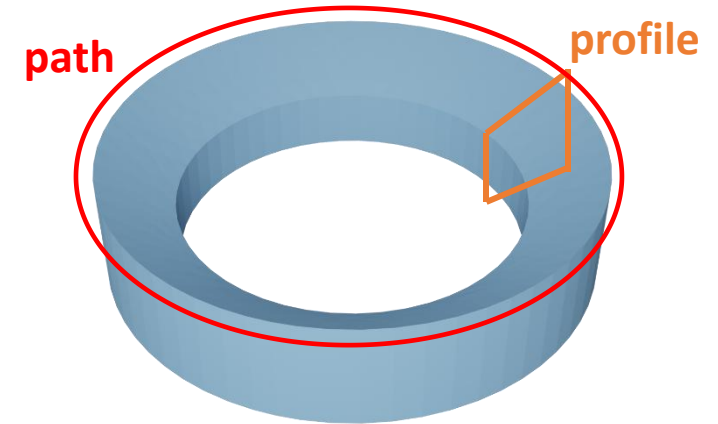
$$S(u, v) = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^m N_{i,p}(u)N_{j,q}(v)w_{i,j} P_{i,j}}{\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^m N_{i,p}(u)N_{j,q}(v)}$$

Control points:  $P_{i,j} = C_i + T_j$

Weights:  $w_{i,j} = w_i^C w_j^T$

## Revolving Structure

- We create the **rotation axis** using the **center** of the path and the **normal** of the cutting plane
- We rotate the **profile** 360° around the axis (using nine points representing the circle)

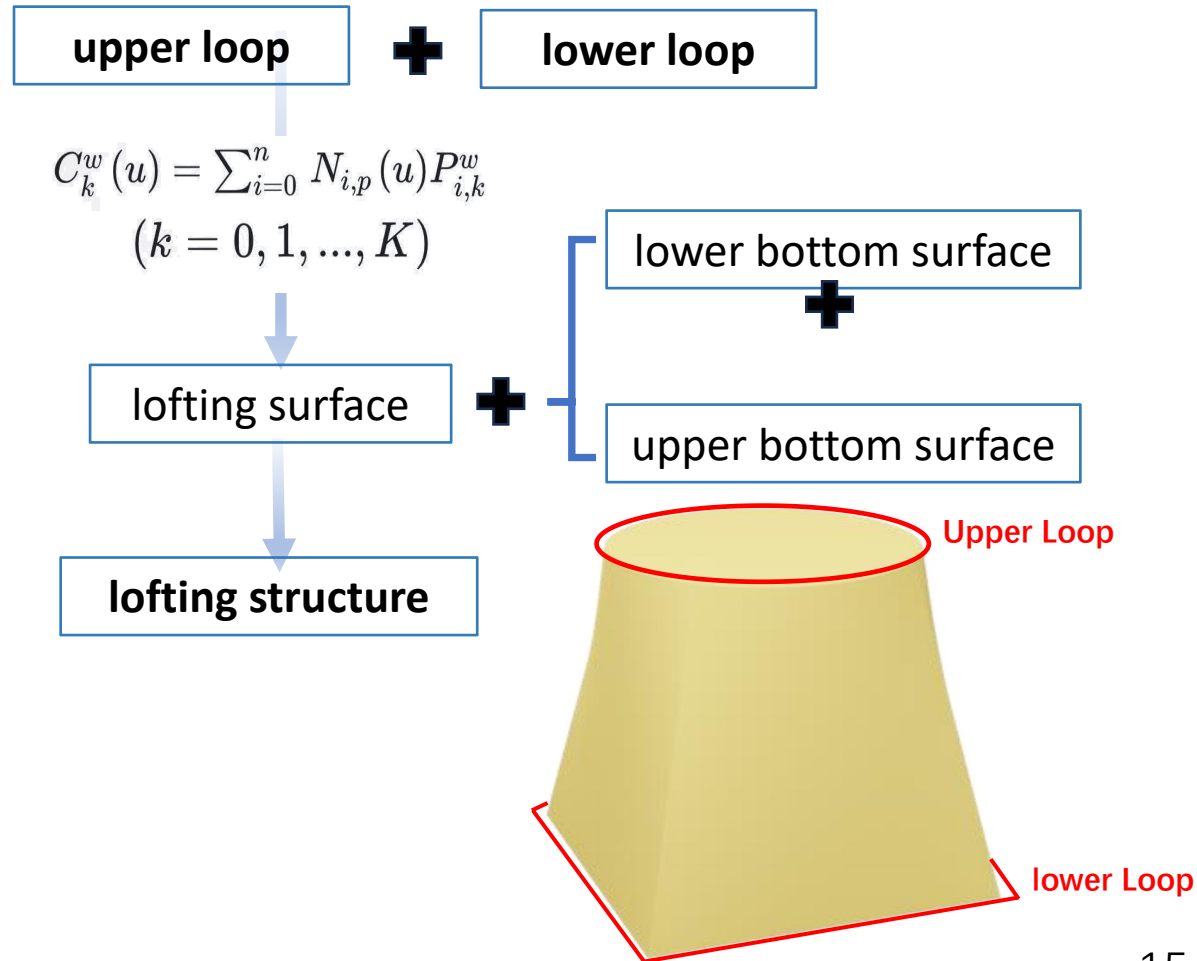


Revolving surface: 
$$S(u, v) = \sum_{i=0}^8 \sum_{j=0}^m R_{i,2;j,q}(u, v) P_{i,j}$$

Control points: 
$$P_{i,j} = P_{0,j} = P_j$$

Weights: 
$$w_{0,j} = w_j, w_{1,j} = (\sqrt{2}/2)w_j, w_{2,j} = w_j, w_{3,j} = \sqrt{2}/2w_j, \dots, w_{8,j} = w_j$$

## Lofting Structure

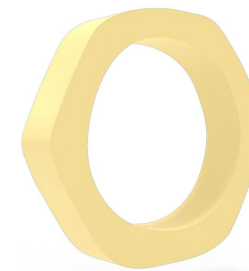


## Boolean Operations

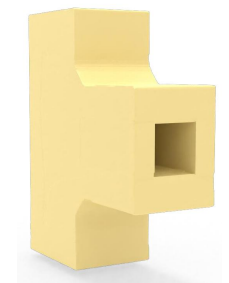
- We **select** appropriate Boolean operations to merge these blocks together
- These Boolean operations include *union*, *intersection*, and *difference*



*union*



*intersection*



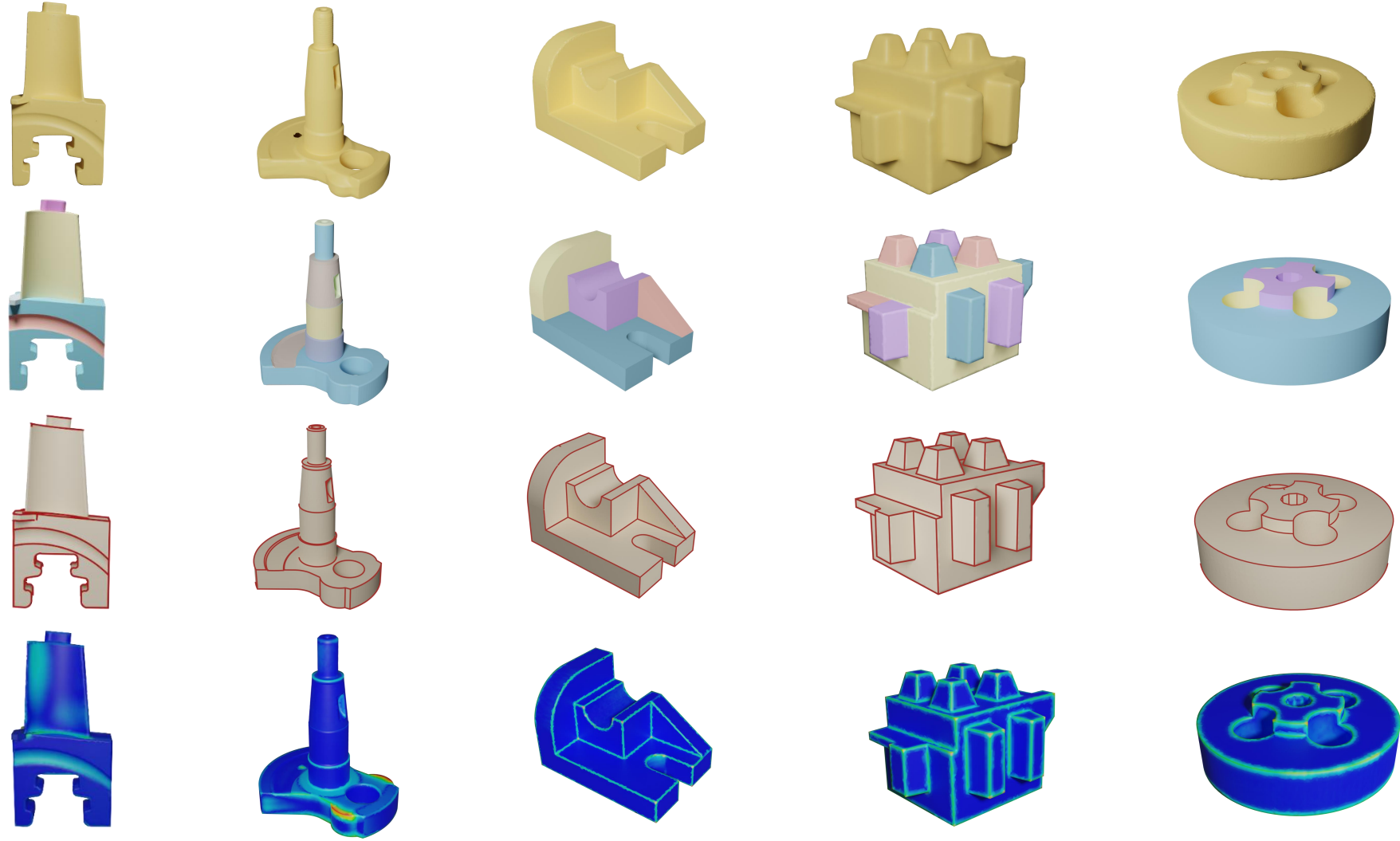
*difference*

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# RESULTS



# Results - Our Method



# Primitive faces 92  
 Reduced time ratio 20.3%

86  
 68.7%

45  
 49.2 %

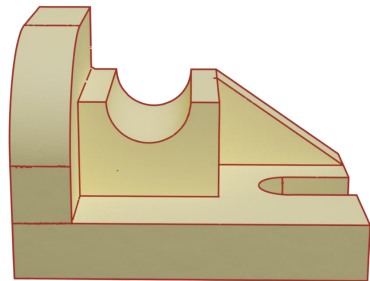
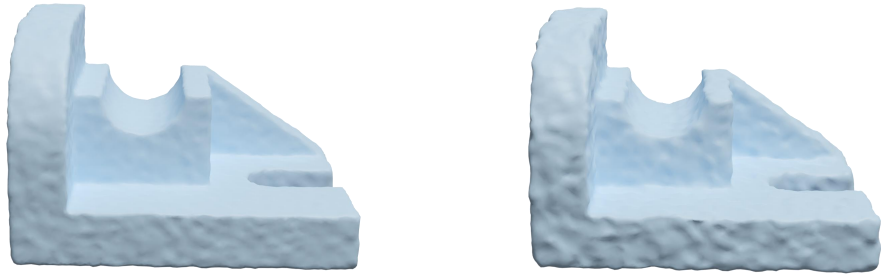
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63  
 67.5%

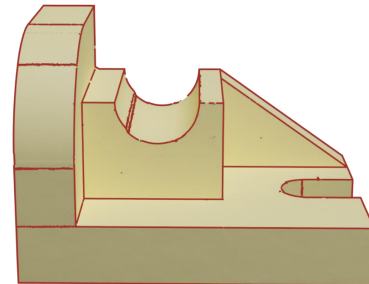
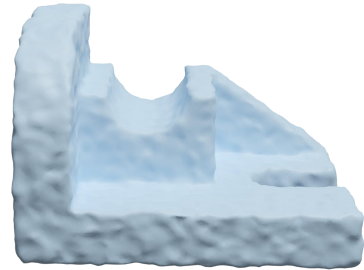
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 51.9%



## Noise interference

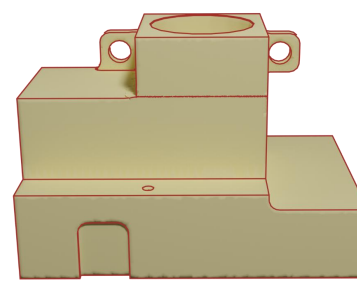


$\sigma = 0.03(2.46m)$   
RMS = 0.12%

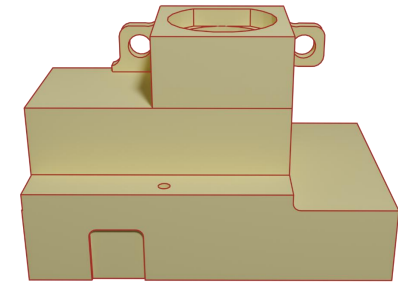
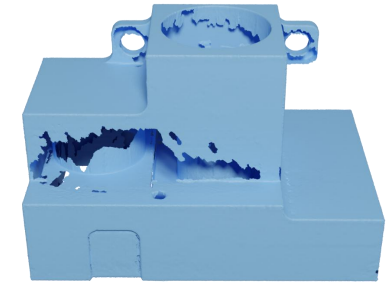


$\sigma = 0.05(4.10m)$   
RMS = 0.75%

## Occlusion interference



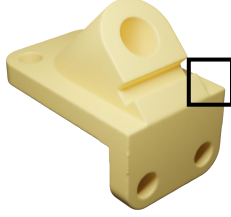

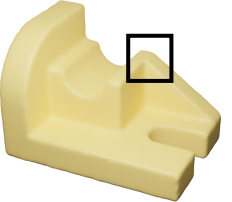

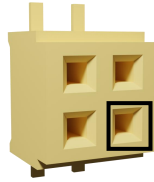



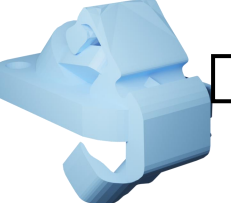

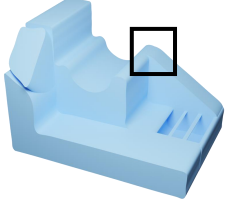
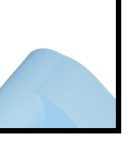




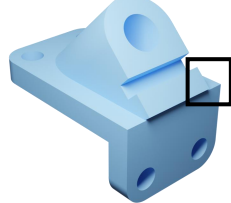

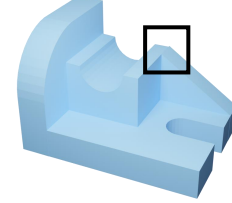

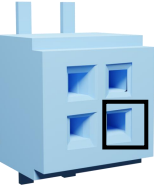
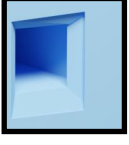


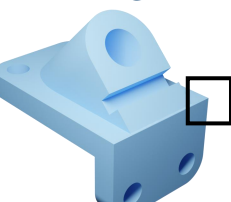
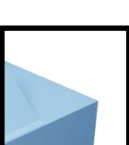
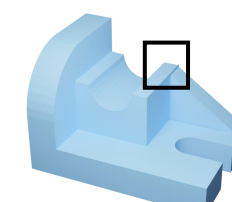


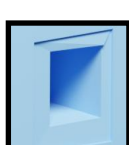
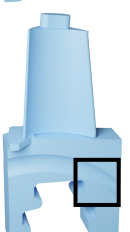
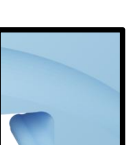
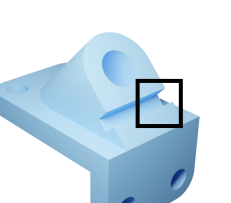

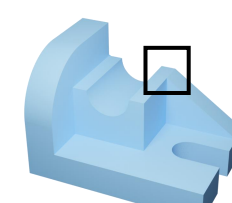

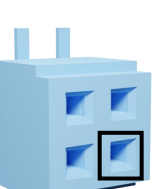



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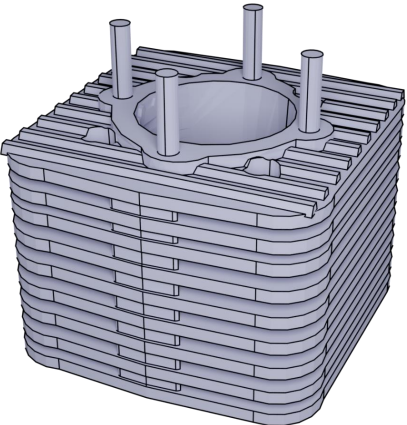
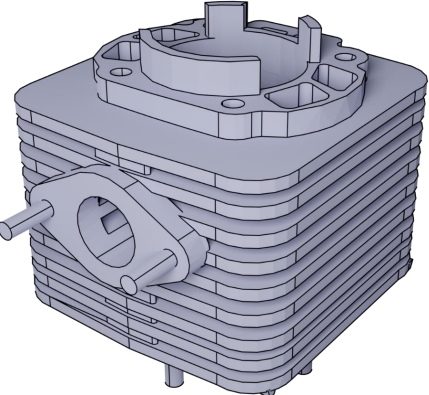
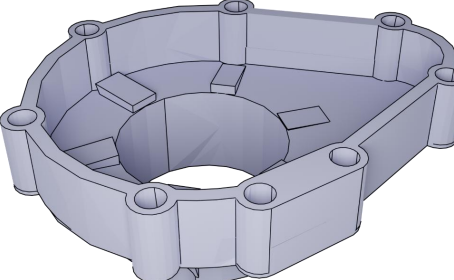
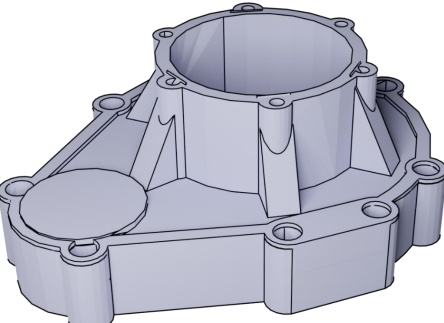
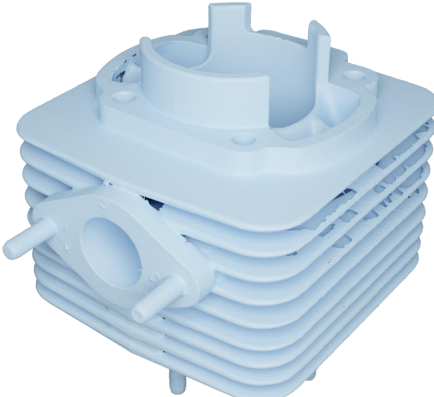
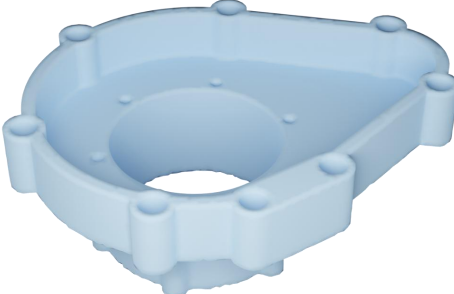


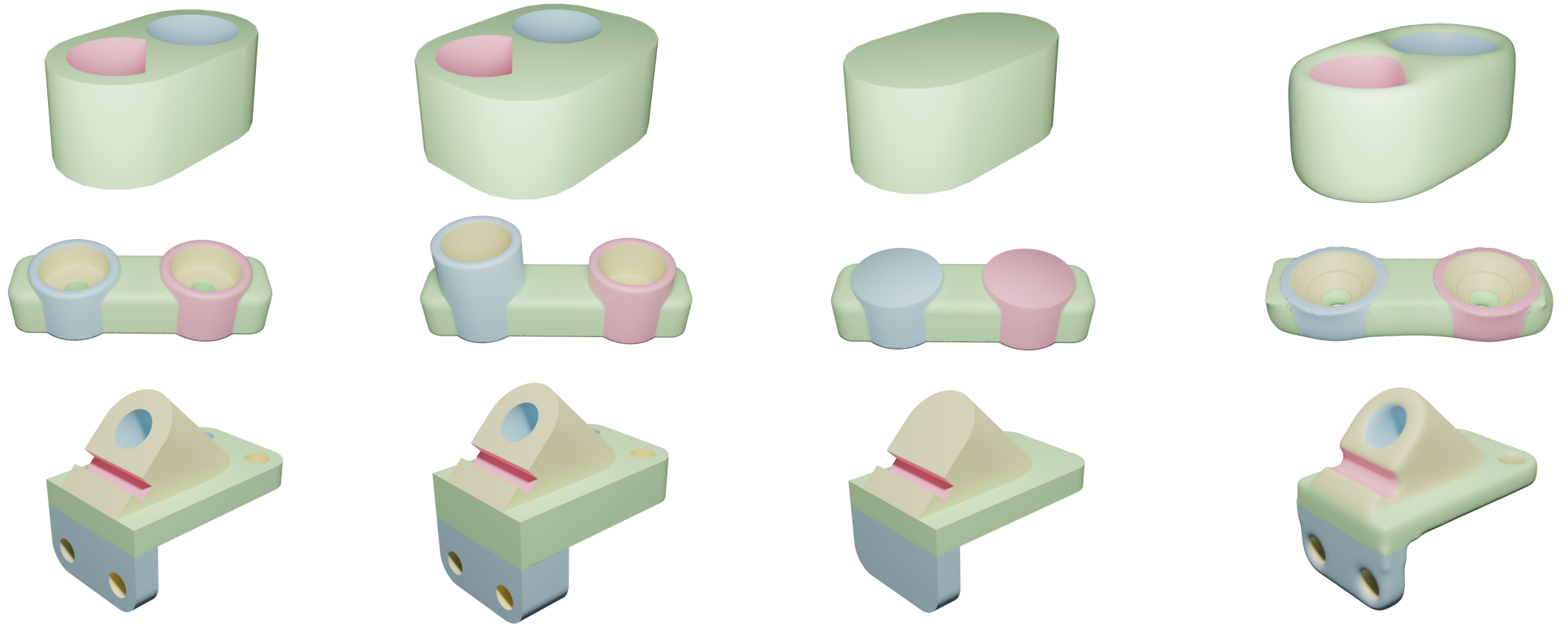
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# Results- Comparison Test

									RMS(%)	MMH(%)	Time(s)
INPUT (GT)									/	/	/
SECAD-Net									17.23	12.45	203.7
Autodesk Fusion 360									1.92	3.83	947.6
Geomagic Design X									2.09	3.26	893.6
OURS									0.71	3.37	713.9

# Results- Highly Complex Models





Input

Height or width

Boolean operations

Chamfer features

# Conclusions

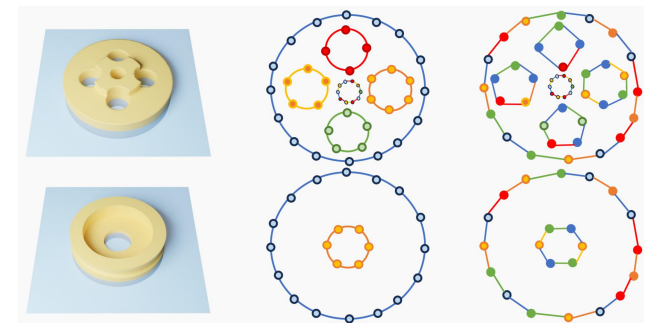
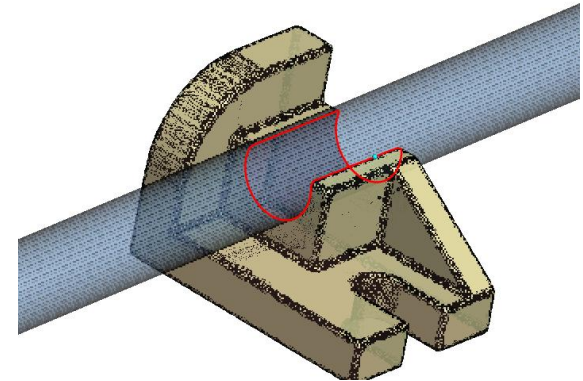
- We present an interaction-simplified pipeline to **reproduce** the forward modeling process of CAD models, which effectively transforms input **mesh models** into **editable CAD models**
- Our method addresses the challenges associated with traditional software by **automating** the process of **fitting primitive loops** and **detecting extrusion height**
- Our method offers the advantage of allowing **direct editing of the model**

- We currently cut the model using planes, making it difficult to fit **complex spatial curves**, such as the gear model



[Li et al. 2023]

- When the circular segment has **exceptionally large radius**, the primitive loop fitting algorithm may mistakenly identify it as a straight line



[Zhang et al. 2023]



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