

User manual ScaleCubeSkeleton2D

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1 Introduction

ScaleCubeSkeleton2D is a software package (<http://lafarga.cpl.upc.edu/projectes/scalecubeskeleton2d>) that computes the L_∞ Voronoi diagram, cube skeleton, and scale cube skeleton of orthogonal polygons and PPM images. For more details see the related papers:

- Martinez, J., Vigo, M., Pla-Garcia, N., and Ayala, D. Skeleton computation of an image using a geometric approach. In Proceedings of Eurographics (2010), pp. 13–16
- Martinez, J., Pla-Garcia, N., and Vigo, M. Skeletal representations of orthogonal shapes. Graphical Models 75 (2013), 189–207

The *2Dskeleton* executable is implemented in C++ and computes the L_∞ Voronoi diagram and cube skeleton of orthogonal polygons.

The bash script *scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh* implements the 2D scale cube skeleton and the treatment of PPM images. It also uses the *Orto-brep* python software (<http://devel.cpl.upc.edu/orto-brep/>) to extract the boundary of PPM images, and the *BoxUnion3D* C++ software (<http://lafarga.cpl.upc.edu/projectes/boxunion3d>) to compute the union of rectangles.

2 Prerequisites

Currently, *Linux* is the only supported operating system. The required dependencies can be installed with:

```
1 # sudo apt-get install g++ git libboost-dev python-imaging
```

3 Compilation

The last version of *ScaleCubeSkeleton2D* can be obtained with:

```
1 # git clone http://movibio.lsi.upc.edu/gitlab/skeleton/scalecubeskeleton2d.git
```

This will clone a GIT repository called *scalecubeskeleton2d* with the following structure:

```
scalecubeskeleton2d
├── bin → Contains the adapted precompiled binaries of BoxUnion3D
```

```

├── src → Contains the C++ code of 2Dskeleton
├── doc → Contains the available documentation
├── toBrep2D → Contains the adapted Python code of Ortho-brep
├── models → Contains some example orthogonal polygons and PPM images
├── Makefile
├── README
└── scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh

```

The 2Dskeleton executable can be compiled with:

```

1 # cd scalecubeskeleton2d
2 # make

```

This will generate the executable in the scalecubeskeleton2d directory.

4 Usage

4.1 Program 2Dskeleton

2Dskeleton is able to compute the L_∞ Voronoi diagram and the cube skeleton of orthogonal polygons. The syntax is as follows:

```

1 ./2dskeleton -hmvr -i [input file (txt,brep)] -s [output svg file] -p [output ppm file]

```

Other additional parameters are only useful for the script scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh

4.1.1 Required parameters

-i [input file (txt,brep)]

Path to the input file that represents an orthogonal polygon.

Two formats are supported. The .brep is the format of Ortho-brep. The .txt, is a simple format that represents the polygon with its boundary contours. Each line of the .txt file represents the two coordinates of a contour vertex. Contours are given by the successive sequence of vertices in the file. The character "h" indicates that a new contour starts. External contours are given in clockwise order. Internal contours, also known as polygon holes, are given in counterclockwise order.

For example the next .txt file:

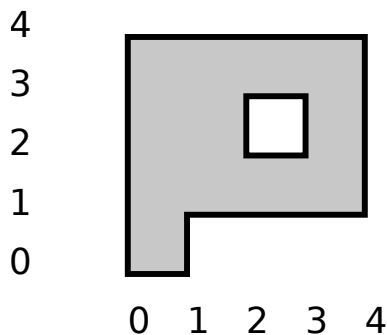
```

0 0
0 1
1 1
1 4
4 4

```

```
4 0
h
2 2
2 3
3 3
3 2
```

Represents the orthogonal polygon:



4.1.2 Optional parameters

-h

Prints the program syntax.

-m

Computes the L_∞ Voronoi diagram with the less efficient point method.

-v

Computes only the L_∞ Voronoi diagram (by default computes the interior cube skeleton).

-r

The edges of the input orthogonal polygon are also output.

-s [output svg file]

Path to the output Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) file. Red edges indicate the result of the computation.

-p [output ppm file]

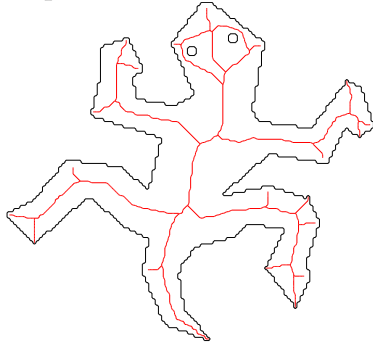
Path to the output Portable Pixel Map (PPM) file. Red pixels indicate the result of the computation.

4.1.3 Examples

The next call to the 2Dskeleton program:

```
1 ./2Dskeleton -r -i models/lizard.txt -s lizardSkeleton.svg
```

Will compute the interior cube skeleton of an orthogonal polygon. The *lizardSkeleton.svg* output file will be:



4.2 Program scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh

The script `scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh` is able to compute the interior scale cube skeleton of orthogonal polygons and binary images. The syntax is as follows:

```
1 # ./scaleCubeSkeleton2D.sh -hr -i [input file (txt,brep,ppm,pgm,pbm)] -s [output svg file]
2 -p [output ppm file] -f [scale]
```

4.2.1 Required parameters

-i [input file (txt,brep,ppm,pgm,pbm)]

Path to the input file that can be an orthogonal polygon (txt,brep) or a binary image (ppm,pgm,pbm).

The specification of the .txt and .brep files can be found in Section 4.1.1.

4.2.2 Optional parameters

-h

Prints the program syntax.

-r

The edges of the input or scaled (if the parameter -f is enabled) orthogonal polygon are also output.

-s [output svg file]

Path to the output Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG) file. Red edges indicate the result of the computation.

-p [output ppm file]

Path to the output Portable Pixel Map (PPM) file. Red pixels indicate the result of the computation.

-f [scale]

Scale factor to compute the scale cube skeleton. The scale must be greater than 1.

4.2.3 Examples

The next call to the `scaleCubeSkeleton2D` program:

```
1 ./scaleCubeSkeleton2D -i models/upc.ppm -p upcori.ppm
```

Will compute the interior cube skeleton of a binary image, which is converted to an orthogonal polygon.

Another call to the `scaleCubeSkeleton2D` program could be:

```
1 ./scaleCubeSkeleton2D -i models/upc.ppm -p upc.ppm -f 1.26
```

Which will compute the interior **scale** cube skeleton of a binary image. The `upcori.ppm` output file will be (left figure) and the `upc.ppm` output file (right figure) will be:

