



# fc hypermesh Octave package, User's Guide \*

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## Abstract

This object-oriented Octave package allows to generate conforming meshes of hypercubes, hyperrectangles or of any d-orthotopes by simplices or orthotopes with their m-faces. It was created to show the implementation of the algorithms of [1]. The fc hypermesh package uses Octave objects and is provided with meshes visualisation tools for dimension less than or equal to 3.

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## 1 Introduction

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The `fc_hypermesh` package contains a simple class object `OrthMesh` which permits, in any dimension  $d \geq 1$ , to obtain a simplicial mesh or orthotope mesh with all their  $m$ -faces,  $0 \leq m < d$ . It is also possible with the method function `plotmesh` of the class object `OrthMesh` to represent a mesh or its  $m$ -faces for  $d \leq 3$ .

This package was tested under

**Windows 10.0.16299:** with Octave 4.2.0, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2

**macOS High Sierra 10.13.4:** with Octave 4.2.1 (installed with homebrew)

**Ubuntu 16.04.3 LTS:** with Octave 4.2.0, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (all compiled from source)

**Ubuntu 17.10:** with Octave 4.2.0 and 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (all compiled from source)

**centOS 7.4:** with Octave 4.2.0, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (all compiled from source)

**Fedora 27:** with Octave 4.2.0, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (all compiled from source)

**OpenSUSE Leap 42.3:** with Octave 4.2.0, 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 (all compiled from source)

It is not compatible with Octave 4.0.x and previous.

In the following section, the class object `OrthMesh` is presented. Thereafter some warning statements on the memory used by these objects in high dimension are given. Finally computation times for orthotope meshes and simplicial meshes are given in dimension  $d \in [1, 5]$ .

## 2 Installation

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Here are two methods of installations. The first uses the Octave `pkg` command and the second a provided Octave script.

## 3 Installation via `pkg` command

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- Download the packages. For example, in a terminal:

```
# wget http://www.math.univ-paris13.fr/~cuvelier/software/codes/
Octave/fc-tools/0.0.21/fc-tools-0.0.21.tar.gz
# wget http://www.math.univ-paris13.fr/~cuvelier/software/codes/
Octave/fc-hypermesh/0.0.7/fc-hypermesh-0.0.7.tar.gz
```

- Under Octave :

```
>> pkg install fc-tools-0.0.21.tar.gz
>> pkg install fc-hypermesh-0.0.7.tar.gz
```

- Now to use *fc-hypermesh* in any Octave session, it is necessary to load the package:

```
>> pkg load fc-hypermesh
```

- To try the package, one can launch a demo:

```
>> fc_hypermesh.demo01
```

For uninstalling the package, just do in an Octave session:

```
>> pkg uninstall fc-hypermesh
>> pkg uninstall fc-tools
```

## 4 All-in-one installation

For this method, one just has to get/download the install file

*ofc\_hypermesh\_install.m*

or get it on the dedicated web page. Thereafter, it should be run under Octave. This command downloads, extracts and configures the *fc-hypermesh* and the required *fc-tools* packages in the current directory.

For example, to install this package in directory *~/Octave/packages*, in a terminal one can do:

```
# mkdir -p ~/Octave/packages
# cd ~/Octave/packages
# wget http://www.math.univ-paris13.fr/~cuvelier/software/codes/Octave/fc-
-hypermesh/0.0.7/ofc_hypermesh_install.m
```

Then in a Octave terminal run the following commands

```
>> cd ~/Octave/packages
>> ofc_hypermesh_install
```

This is the output of the *ofc\_hypermesh\_install* command:

```

Parts of the GNU Octave <fc-hypermesh> package.
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1- Downloading and extracting the packages
2- Setting the <fc-hypermesh> package
Write in ~/Octave/packages/fc-hypermesh-full/fc_hypermesh-0.0.7/
    configure_loc.m ...
3- Using toolboxes :
    ->          fc-tools : 0.0.21
    ->          fc-hypermesh : 0.0.7
*** Using instructions
To use the <fc-hypermesh> toolbox:
addpath('~/Octave/packages/fc-hypermesh-full/fc_hypermesh-0.0.7')
fc_hypermesh.init()

See ~/Octave/packages/ofc_hypermesh_set.m

```

The complete package (i.e. with all the other needed packages) is stored in the directory `~/Octave/packages/fc-hypermesh-full` and, for each Octave session, one has to set the package by:

```

>> addpath('~/Octave/packages/fc-hypermesh-full/ofc-hypermesh-0.0.7')
>> fc_hypermesh.init()

```

To **uninstall**, one just has to delete directory `~/Octave/packages/fc-hypermesh-full`

## 5 Using the package

First of all, the main class object `OrthMesh` is presented. Thereafter some usage samples are given.

### 5.1 Class object `OrthMesh`

The aim of the class object `OrthMesh` is to efficiently create an object which contains a mesh of a `d`-orthotope and all its `m`-face meshes. An elementary mesh class object `EltMesh` is used to store only one mesh, the main mesh as well as any of the `m`-face meshes. This class `EltMesh` also simplifies (for me) the codes writing and its fields are the following:

- `d`, space dimension
- `m`, kind of mesh (`m = d` for the main mesh)
- `type`, 0 for simplicial mesh or 1 for orthotope mesh
- `nq`, number of vertices
- `q`, vertices array of dimension `d`-by-`nq`
- `nme`, number of mesh elements
- `me`, connectivity array of dimension `(d + 1)`-by-`nme` for simplices elements or  $2^d$ -by-`nme` for orthotopes elements
- `toGlobal`, index array linking local array `q` to the one of the main mesh

- `label`, name/number of this elementary mesh
- `color`, color of this elementary mesh (for plotting purpose)

Let the  $d$ -orthotope defined by  $[a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times [a_d, b_d]$ . The class object `OrthMesh` corresponding to this  $d$ -orthotope contains the main mesh and all its  $m$ -face meshes,  $0 \leq m < d$ . Its Fields are the following

- `d`: space dimension
- `type`: string '`'simplicial'`' or '`'orthotope'`' mesh
- `Mesh`: main mesh as an `EltMesh` object
- `Faces`: list of arrays of `EltMesh` objects such that `Faces(1)` is an array of all the  $(d - 1)$ -face meshes, `Faces(2)` is an array of all the  $(d - 2)$ -face meshes, and so on
- `box`: a  $d$ -by-2 array such that `box(i,1) = a_i` and `box(i,2) = b_i`.

### 5.1.1 Constructor

```
Oh = OrthMesh(d,N)
Oh = OrthMesh(d,N, key,value, ...)
```

#### Description

```
Oh = OrthMesh(d,N)
```

Generates the `OrthMesh` object `Oh` which contains which contains a simplicial mesh of the unit  $d$ -orthotope and all its  $m$ -face meshes.

```
Oh = OrthMesh(d,N, key,value, ...)
```

Some optional `key/value` pairs arguments are available with `key`:

- '`type`' : used to select the kind of elements used for meshing. The default `value` is '`'simplicial'`' and otherwise '`'orthotope'`' can be used.

```
Oh = OrthMesh(3,10, 'type','orthotope')
```

- '`box`' : used to specify the  $d$ -orthotope  $[a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times [a_d, b_d]$  by setting `value` as an  $d$ -by-2 array such that  $a_i = \text{value}(i,1)$  and  $b_i = \text{value}(i,2)$ .

```
Oh = OrthMesh(3,10, 'box',[ -1 1;-2 2;0 3])
```

- '`m_min`' : used to only mesh the  $m$ -Faces for  $m$  in  $\llbracket m, d \rrbracket$ . Default `value` is 0.

```
Oh = OrthMesh(3,10, 'm_min',2)
```

- '`mapping`' : used to apply on the mesh a mapping function given by a function handle.

```
Oh = OrthMesh(3,10, 'mapping',@(q) [q(1,:)+sin(q(2,:));q(2,:);q(3,:)])
```

### 5.1.2 plotmesh method

The `plotmesh()` member function can be used to represent the mesh given by an `OrthMesh` object if the space dimension is less than or equal to 3.

#### Syntax

```
obj.plotmesh()  
obj.plotmesh(key, value, ...)
```

#### Description

```
obj.plotmesh()
```

```
obj.plotmesh(key, value, ...)
```

Some optional `key/value` pairs arguments are available with `key`:

- '`legend`' : if `value` is `True`, a legend is displayed. Default is `False`.
- '`m`' : plots all the `m`-faces of the mesh. Default `m = d` i.e. the main mesh. ( $0 \leq m \leq d$ )
- '`color`' : use to specify the color of the mesh.
- ...

Other `key/value` pairs arguments can be used depending of `obj.d` and `obj.m` values and they are those of the plotting function used:

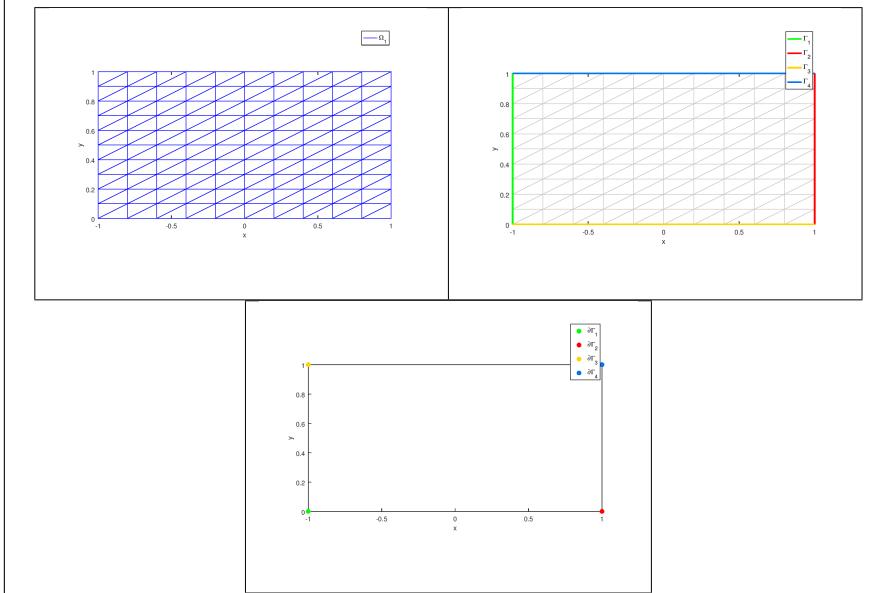
- with `obj.d=3` and `obj.m=3`, `patch` function is used;
- with `obj.d=3` and `obj.m=2`, `trimesh` function is used for simplicial mesh and `patch` function is used for orthotope mesh;
- with `obj.d=3` and `obj.m=1`, `line` function is used;
- with `obj.d=3` and `obj.m=0`, `scatter3` function is used;
- with `obj.d=2` and `obj.m=2`, `triplot` function is used for simplicial mesh and `patch` function is used for orthotope mesh;
- with `obj.d=2` and `obj.m=1`, `line` function is used;
- with `obj.d=2` and `obj.m=0`, `scatter` function is used;
- with `obj.d=1` and `obj.m=1`, `line` function is used;
- with `obj.d=1` and `obj.m=0`, `scatter` function is used;

## 5.2 2d-orthotope meshing by simplices

In Listing 1, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Octave by using command

```
Oh=OrthMesh(2,10,'box',[ -1,1;0,1])
```

So the `Oh` object is the tessellations of the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with simplicial elements. In each direction  $10 + 1 (= 11!)$  points are taken. So we have  $11^2$  vertices in this mesh. The main mesh and all the `m`-face meshes of the resulting object are plotted by using `plotmesh` method.

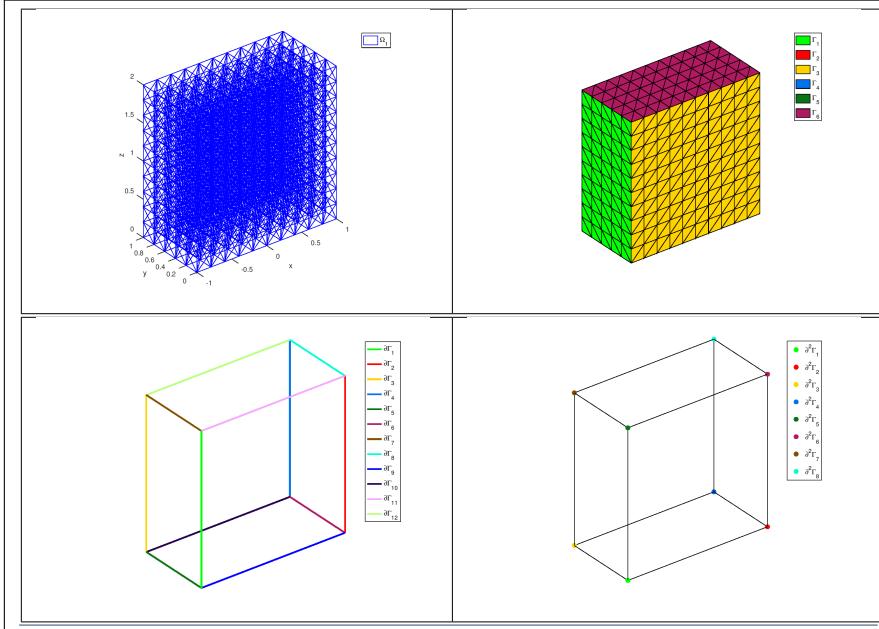


```
Oh=OrthMesh(2,10,'box',[ -1,1;0,1])
% plot the main mesh
figure(1)
Oh.plotmesh('legend',true)
% plot the 1-face meshes
figure(2)
Oh.plotmesh('color',[0.8,0.8,0.8])
hold on
% plot the 0-face meshes
figure(3)
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'Linewidth',2,'legend',true)
% plot the 0-face meshes
figure(3)
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'color','k')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',0,'legend',true)
```

Listing 1: 2D simplicial OrthMesh object with Octave 4.2.1, main mesh (upper left), 1-face meshes (upper right), and 0-face meshes (bottom)

### 5.3 3d-orthotope meshing by simplices

In Listing 1, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Octave for the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 2]$  with simplicial elements and `N=[10,5,10]`. The main mesh and all the `m`-face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.



```

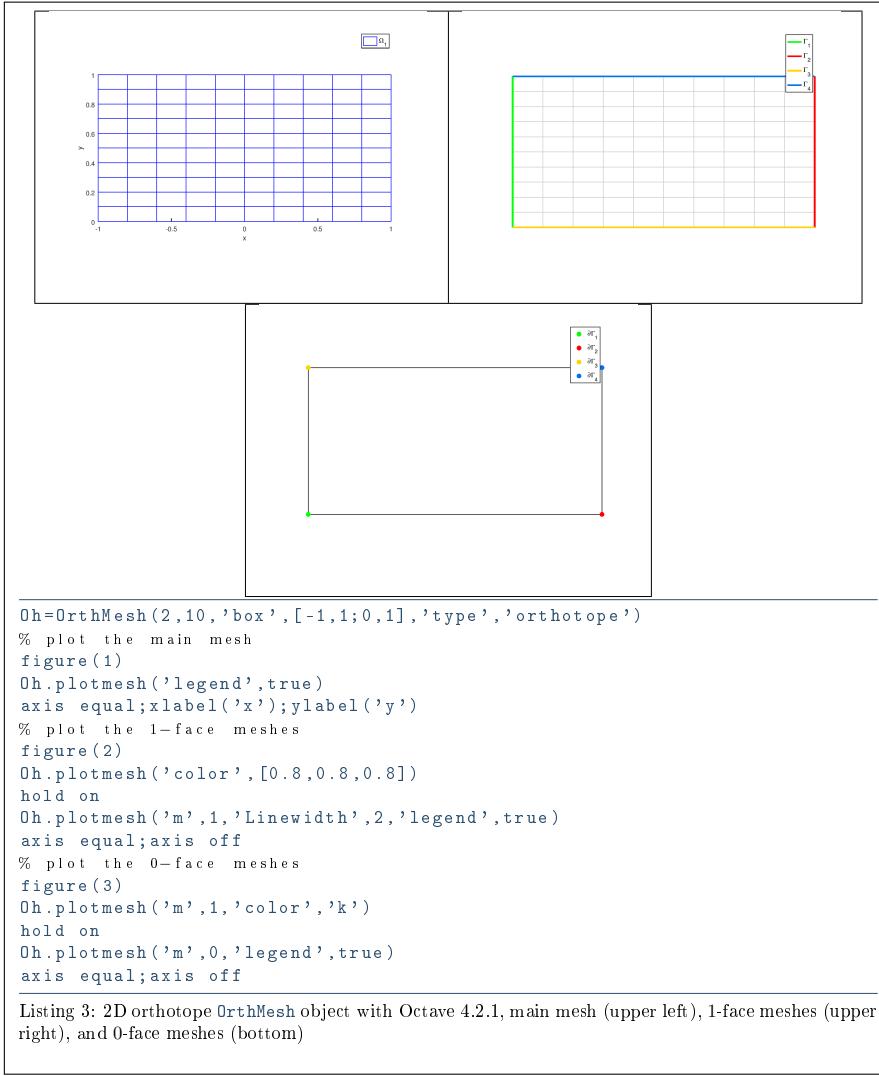
Oh=OrthMesh(3,[10,5,10], 'box', [-1,1;0,1;0,2])
% plot the main mesh
figure(1)
Oh.plotmesh('legend',true)
axis equal;xlabel('x');ylabel('y');zlabel('z')
% plot the 2-face meshes
figure(2)
Oh.plotmesh('m',2,'legend',true)
axis equal;axis off
% plot the 1-face meshes
figure(3)
Oh.plotmesh('m',2,'color',[0.8,0.8,0.8], 'EdgeAlpha',0.2, ...
    'FaceColor','none')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'Linewidth',2,'legend',true)
axis equal;axis off
% plot the 0-face meshes
figure(4)
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'color','k')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',0,'legend',true)
axis equal;axis off

```

Listing 2: 3D simplicial `OrthMesh` object with Octave 4.2.1, main mesh (upper left), 2-face meshes (upper right), 1-face meshes (bottom left) and 0-face meshes (bottom right)

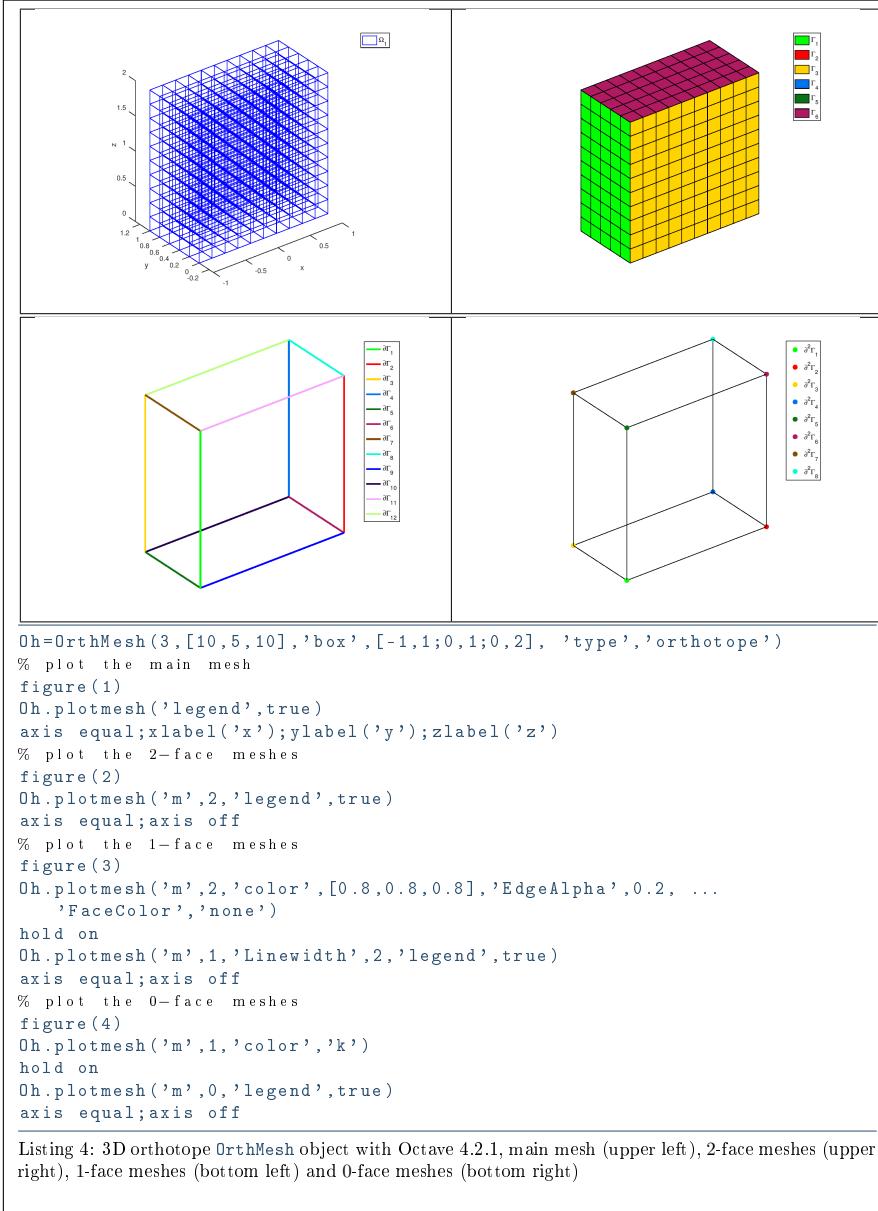
## 5.4 2d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

In Listing 1, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Octave for the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 2]$  with orthotope elements and `N=[10,5,10]`. The main mesh and all the `m`-face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.



## 5.5 3d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

In Listing 1, an `OrthoMesh` object is built under Octave for the orthotope  $[-1,1] \times [0,1] \times [0,2]$  with orthotope elements and `N=[10,5,10]`. The main mesh and all the `m`-face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.

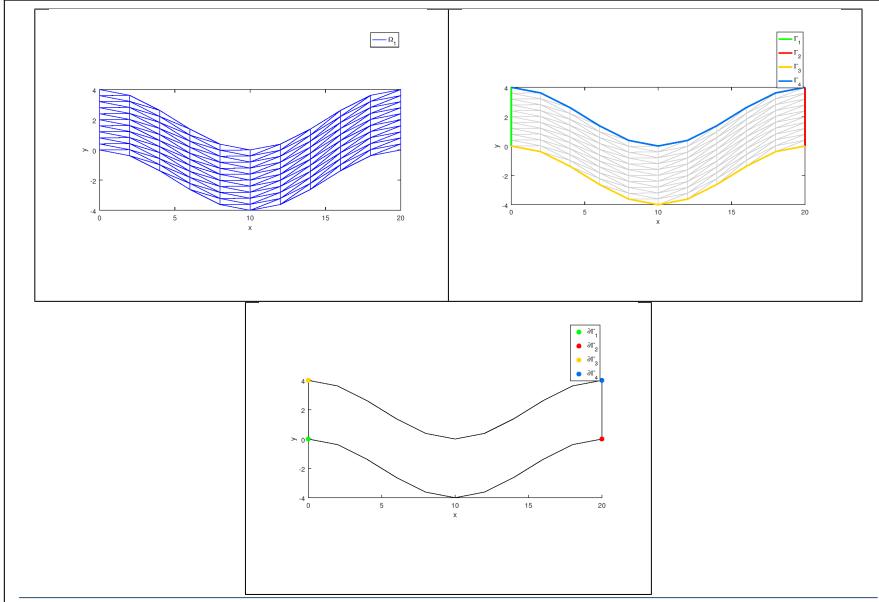


## 5.6 Mapping of a 2d-orthotope meshing by simplices

For example, the following 2D geometrical transformation allows to deform the reference unit hypercube.

$$[0,1] \times [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow F(x,y) = \begin{pmatrix} 20x \\ 2(2y-1+\cos(2\pi x)) \end{pmatrix}$$



```

Oh=OrthoMesh(2,10,'mapping',@(q) [20*q(1,:); ...
    2*(2*q(2,:)-1+cos(2*pi*q(1,:)))]);
% plot the main mesh
figure(1)
Oh.plotmesh('legend',true)
% plot the 1-face meshes
figure(2)
Oh.plotmesh('color',[0.8,0.8,0.8])
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'Linewidth',2,'legend',true)
% plot the 0-face meshes
figure(3)
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'color','k')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',0,'legend',true)

```

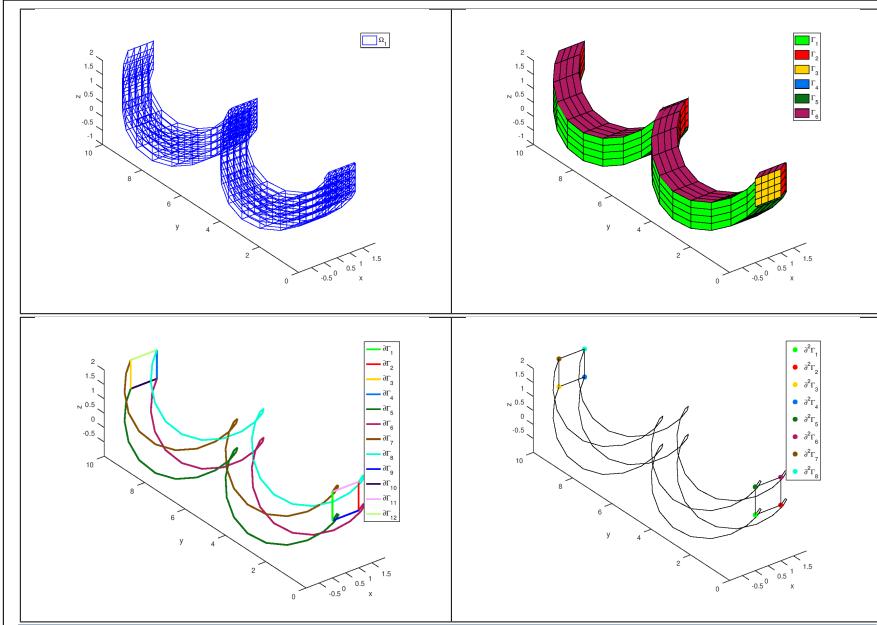
Listing 5: Mapping of a 2D simplicial OrthoMesh object with Octave 4.2.1, main mesh (upper left), 1-face meshes (upper right), and 0-face meshes (bottom)

## 5.7 3d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

For example, the following 3D geometrical transformation allows to deform the reference unit hypercube.

$$[0,1] \times [0,1] \times [0,1] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow F(x,y,z) = \begin{pmatrix} x + \sin(4\pi y) \\ 10y \\ z + \cos(4\pi y) \end{pmatrix}$$



```

Map=@(q) [q(1,:)+ sin(4*pi*q(2,:)); 10*q(2,:); q(3,:)+cos(4*pi*q(2,:))];
Oh=OrthMesh(3,[4,25,4], 'mapping',Map, 'type', 'orthotope');
% plot the main mesh
figure(1)
Oh.plotmesh()
legend('show')
% plot the 2-face meshes
figure(2)
Oh.plotmesh('m',2)
legend('show')
% plot the 1-face meshes
figure(3)
Oh.plotmesh('m',2,'color',[0.8,0.8,0.8], 'EdgeAlpha',0.2, ...
    'FaceColor','none')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'Linewidth',2,'legend',true)
% plot the 0-face meshes
figure(4)
Oh.plotmesh('m',1,'color','k')
hold on
Oh.plotmesh('m',0,'legend',true)

```

Listing 6: Mapping of a 3D orthotope OrthMesh object with Octave 4.2.1, main mesh (upper left), 2-face meshes (upper right), 1-face meshes (bottom left) and 0-face meshes (bottom right)

## 6 Benchmarking

### 6.1 fc\_bench.bench01 function

The `fc_bench.bench01` function can be used to obtain computational times of the `OrthMesh` constructor.

#### Syntaxe

```
fc_bench.bench01(d,ctype,Box,LN)
```

## Description

```
fc_bench.bench01(d,ctype,Box,LN)
```

displays computationnal times of the `OrthMesh` constructor as follows

```
ts=tic();Oh=OrthMesh(d,N,'box',Box,'type',ctype);tcpu=toc(ts);
```

for each `N` in `LN`.

## 6.2 Examples

Listing 7: : Computationnal times of `OrthMesh` constructor in dimension d=3 (simplicial mesh)  
`fc_hypermesh.bench01(3,'simplicial',[-1 1;-1 1;-1 1],25:25:175)`

Output

```
# BENCH in dimension 3 with simplicial mesh
#d: 3
#type: simplicial
#box: [-1 1; -1 1; -1 1]
#desc: N      nq      nme    time(s)
  25     17576   93750    0.258
  50     132651   750000   0.317
  75     438976   2531250   0.513
 100    1030301   6000000   0.839
 125    2000376   11718750   1.424
 150    3442951   20250000   2.285
 175    5451776   32156250   3.808
```

Listing 8: : Computationnal times of `OrthMesh` constructor in dimension d=5 (orthotope mesh)  
`fc_hypermesh.bench01(5,'orthotope',[-1 1;-1 1;-1 1;-1 1;-1 1],5:5:25,27)`

Output

```
# BENCH in dimension 5 with orthotope mesh
#d: 5
#type: orthotope
#box: [-1 1; -1 1; -1 1; -1 1; -1 1]
#desc: N      nq      nme    time(s)
   5     7776     3125    1.446
  10    161051    100000   1.511
  15    1048576   759375   2.017
  20    4084101   3200000   3.575
  25    11881376   9765625   9.561
  27    17210368  14348907  11.171
```

## 7 References

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