



# FC\_HYPERMESH package, User's Guide \*

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## Abstract

This object-oriented Python package allows to mesh any d-orthotopes (hyperrectangle in dimension d) and their m-faces by simplices or orthotopes. It was created to show the implementation of the algorithms of [1]. The FC\_HYPERMESH package uses Python objects and is provided with meshes visualisation tools for dimension leather 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,  $0 \leq m < d$ , of a  $d$ -*orthotope*. If the Matplotlib package is installed, it is also possible with the `plotmesh` method of the class object `OrthMesh` to represent a mesh or its  $m$ -faces for  $d \leq 3$ .

This package is referenced on PyPI, the Python Package Index, and was tested under Python and Miniconda distributions:

- **Windows 10**

- with Miniconda Python 2.7 distribution
- with Miniconda Python 3.6 distribution

- **Ubuntu 14.04.5 LTS**

- with Python 2.7.13 compiled from source
- with Python 3.6.0 compiled from source
- with Miniconda Python 2.7 distribution
- with Miniconda Python 3.6 distribution

- **MacOS Sierra**

- with Miniconda Python 2.7 distribution
- with Miniconda Python 3.6 distribution

In a first step, the installation of this package is presented .. Thereafter the class object `OrthMesh` is described and some examples are provided. Then 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 and uninstall

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### Installation :

- For an installation which isolated to the current user, one can do:

```
$ pip install -U --user fc_hypermesh
```

- For an installation for all users, one can do:

```
$ sudo pip install -U fc_hypermesh
```

An other way is to download the required archive and to make the installation from the downloaded file.

- For an installation which isolated to the current user, one can do:

```
$ pip install <PATH_TO_FOLDER>/fc_hypermesh-<VERSION>.tar.gz --user -U
```

where `<PATH_TO_FOLDER>` will be replaced by the path to the saved archive and `<VERSION>` by the version of the archive.

- For an installation for all users, one can do:

```
$ sudo pip install <PATH_TO_FOLDER>/fc_hypermesh-<VERSION>.tar.gz -U
```

**Uninstall :** To uninstall this package, you only have to execute one of these commands depending on the type of installation performed

```
$ pip uninstall fc_hypermesh
```

or

```
$ sudo pip uninstall fc_hypermesh
```

## 3    Contents of the `fc_hypermesh` package

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First of all, the *low level* class object `EltMesh` is presented. Thereafter the main class object `OrthMesh`, which is an *union* of `EltMesh` objects, is described.

### 3.1    Class object `EltMesh`

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An elementary mesh class object `EltMesh` is used to store only one mesh, the main mesh as well as any of the meshes of the  $m$ -faces. This class `EltMesh` also simplify (for me) the codes writing. Its attributes are the following:

- `d` : space dimension
- `m` : kind of mesh corresponding to a  $m$ -face,  $0 \leq m \leq d$ ,  $m == d$  for the main mesh.
- `type` : 0 for simplicial mesh or 1 for orthotope mesh.
- `nq` : number of vertices.
- `q` : vertices numpy array of dimension `d`-by-`nq`
- `nme` : number of mesh elements

- `me` : connectivity numpy 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)

## 3.2 Class object OrthMesh

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The aim of the class object `OrthMesh` is to efficiently create an object which contains a main mesh of a  $d$ -orthotope and all its  $m$ -face meshes deduced from the main mesh.

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 the meshes of its  $m$ -faces,  $0 \leq m < d$ . Its attributes are the following

- `d`: space dimension
- `type`: string '`'simplicial'`' or '`'orthotope'`' mesh
- `Mesh`: main mesh as an `EltMesh` object
- `Faces`: 2d-list of `EltMesh` objects such that `Faces[0]` is a list of all the meshes of the  $(d - 1)$ -faces, `Faces[1]` is a list of all the meshes of the  $(d - 2)$ -faces, and so on
- `box`: a  $d$ -by-2 numpy array such that `box[i-1][0]` is  $a_i$  value and `box[i-1][1]` is  $b_i$  value.

### 3.2.1 Constructor

The `OrthMesh` constructor is :

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

where `N` is either a 1-by- $d$  array/list such that `N[i-1]` is the number of discretization for  $[a_i, b_i]$  or either an integer if the the number of discretization is the same in all space directions.

Some options are proposed with the constructor:

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

- `box = value` : where `value` is a  $d$ -by-2 list or array such that `value[i-1][0]` is  $a_i$  value and `value[i-1][1]` is  $b_i$  value. Default is  $[0, 1]^d$ .
- `type = value` : The default `value` for optional key parameter `type` is '`'simplicial'`' and otherwise '`'orthotope'`' can be used.

### 3.2.2 plotmesh method

The `plotmesh()` member function uses Matplotlib Python package [2, 3] to represent the mesh given by an `OrthMesh` object. Some options are proposed with this function:

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

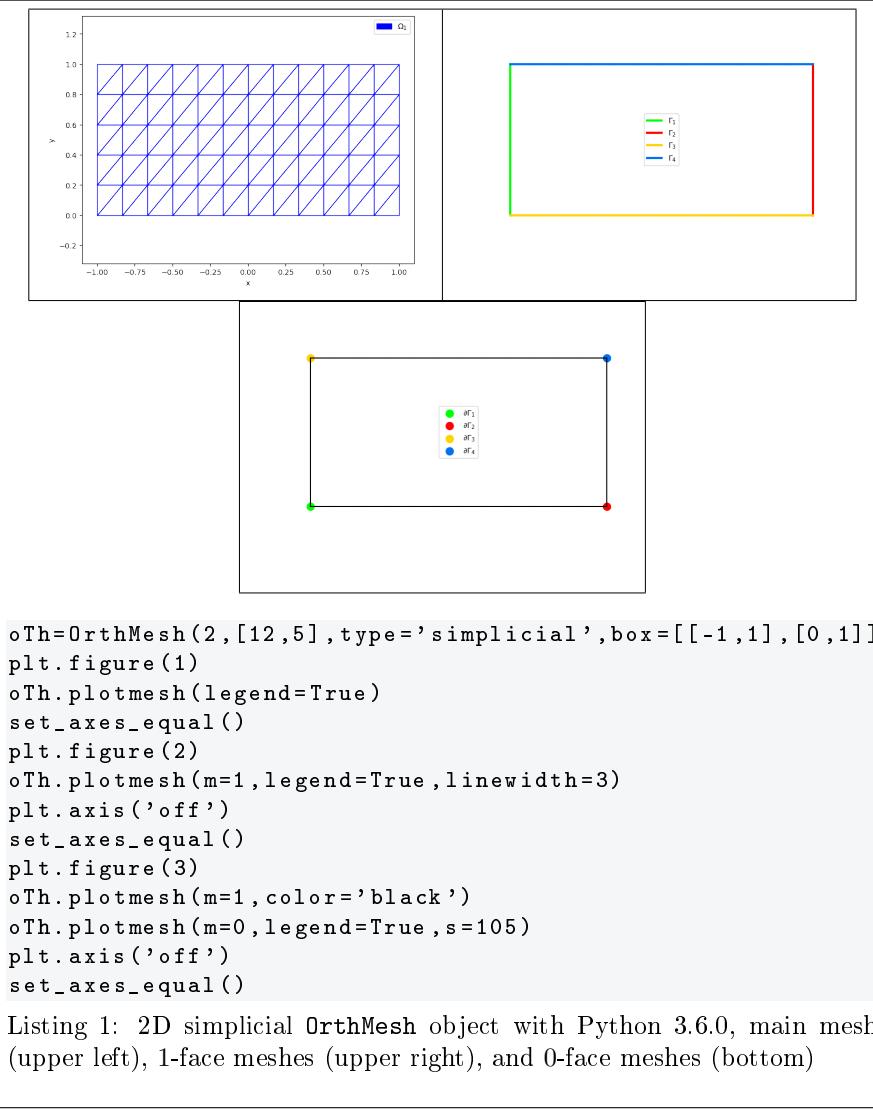
## 4 Using the fc\_hypermesh package

In all the next examples, the following code is previously load:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from fc_tools.colors import str2rgb
from fc_hypermesh import OrthMesh
from fc_tools.Matplotlib import
    DisplayFigures, set_axes_equal
```

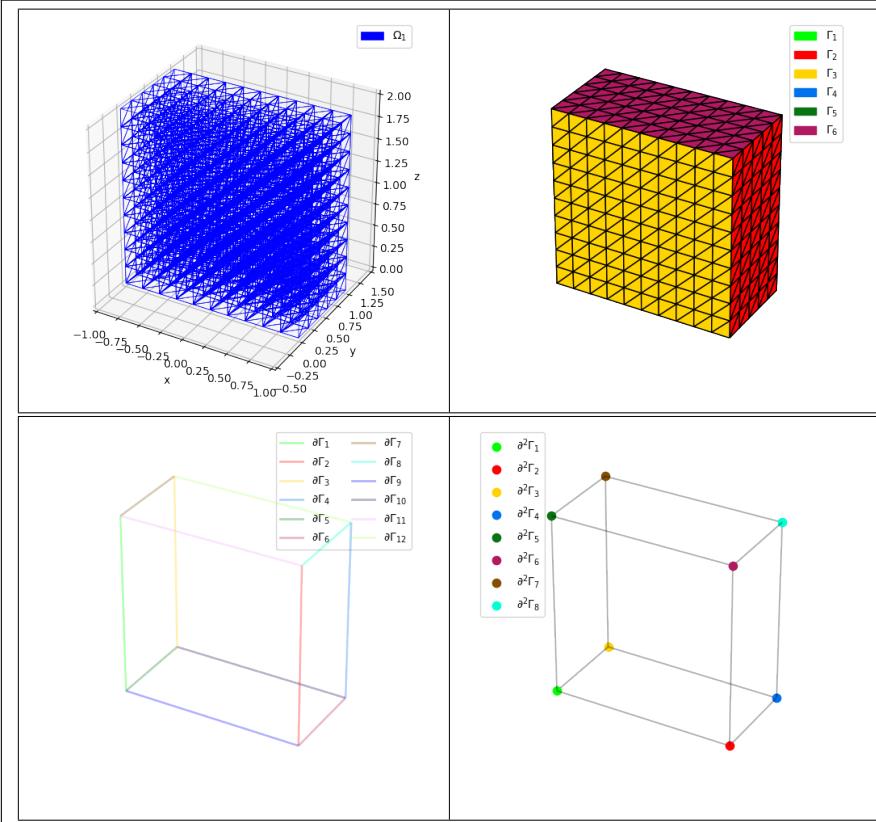
### 4.1 2d-orthotope meshing by simplices

In Listing 1, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Python for the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with simplicial elements and  $\mathbf{N} = (12, 5)$ . The main mesh and all the  $m$ -face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.



## 4.2 3d-orthotope meshing by simplices

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



```

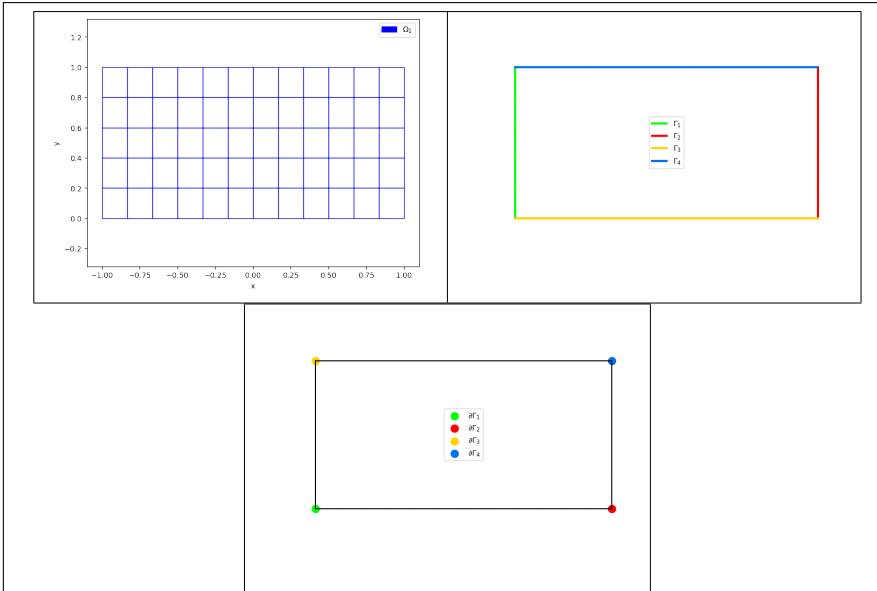
oTh=OrthMesh(3,[10,5,10],box=[[-1,1],[0,1],[0,2]])
plt.figure(1)
oTh.plotmesh(legend=True,linewidth=0.5)
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(2)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,legend=True,edgecolor=[0,0,0])
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,edgecolor=[0,0,0],color='none')
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,legend=True,linewidth=2,alpha=0.3)
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(4)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,color='black',alpha=0.3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=0,legend=True,s=55)
set_axes_equal()
plt.axis('off')

```

Listing 2: 3D simplicial OrthMesh object with Python 3.6.0, main mesh (upper left), 2-face meshes (upper right), 1-face meshes (bottom left) and 0-face meshes (bottom right)

### 4.3 2d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

In Listing 3, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Python for the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1]$  with orthotope elements and  $\mathbf{N} = (10, 5, 10)$ . The main mesh and all the  $m$ -face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.

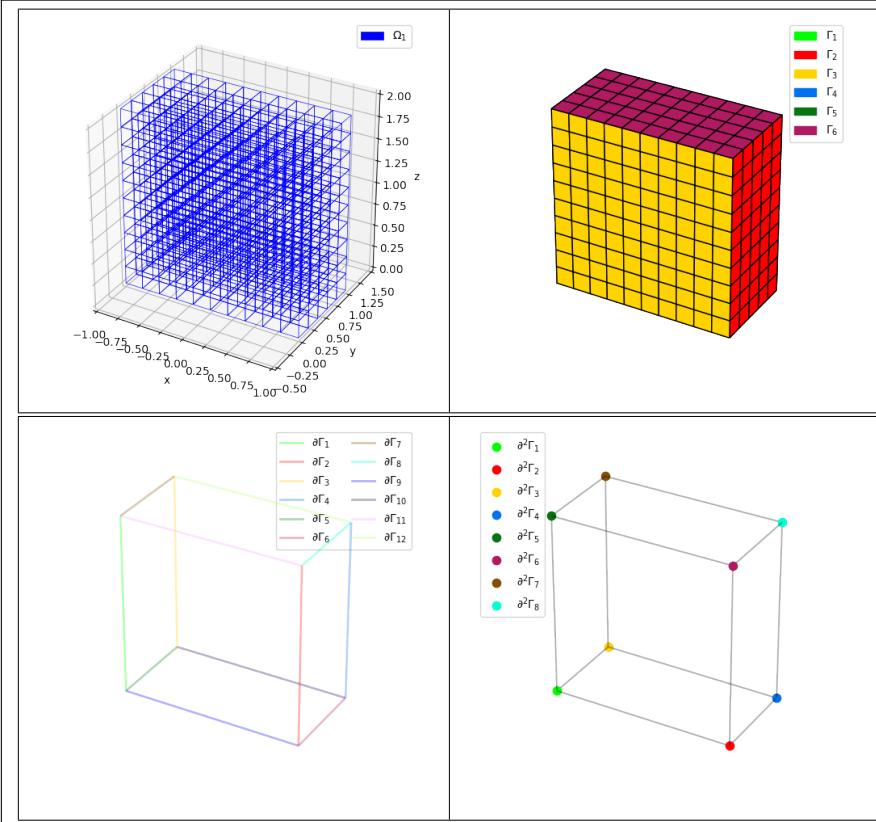


```
oTh=OrthMesh(2,[12,5],type='orthotope',box=[[-1,1],[0,1]])
plt.figure(1)
oTh.plotmesh(legend=True)
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(2)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,legend=True,linewidth=3)
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,color='black')
oTh.plotmesh(m=0,legend=True,s=105)
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
```

Listing 3: 2D orthotope `OrthMesh` object with Python 3.6.0, main mesh (upper left), 1-face meshes (upper right), and 0-face meshes (bottom)

### 4.4 3d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

In Listing 4, an `OrthMesh` object is built under Python for the orthotope  $[-1, 1] \times [0, 1] \times [0, 2]$  with orthotope elements and  $\mathbf{N} = (10, 5, 10)$ . The main mesh and all the  $m$ -face meshes of the resulting object are plotted.



```

oTh=OrthMesh(3,[10,5,10],type='orthotope',
             box=[[-1,1],[0,1],[0,2]])
plt.figure(1)
oTh.plotmesh(legend=True,linewidth=0.5)
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(2)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,legend=True,edgecolor=[0,0,0])
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,edgecolor=[0,0,0],color='none')
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,legend=True,linewidth=2,alpha=0.3)
plt.axis('off')
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(4)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,color='black',alpha=0.3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=0,legend=True,s=55)
set_axes_equal()
plt.axis('off')

```

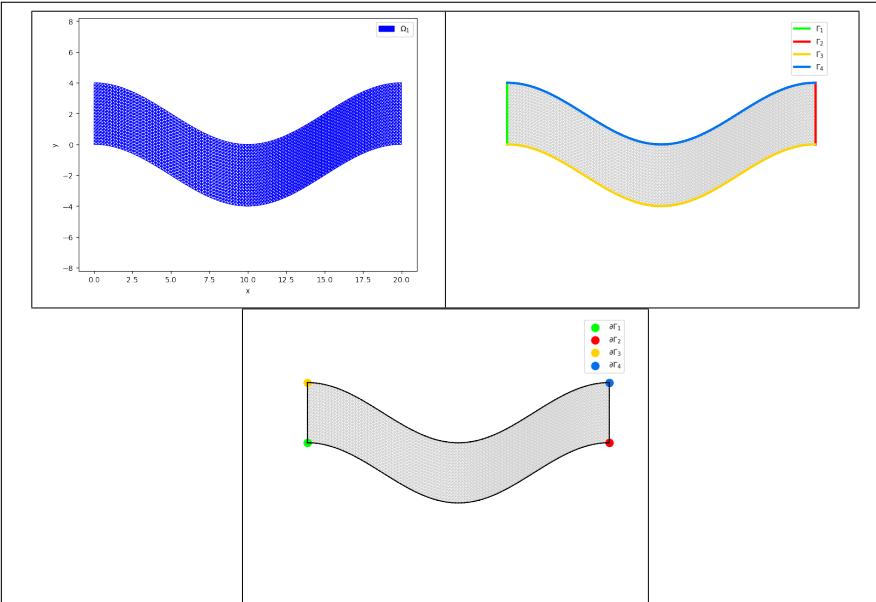
Listing 4: 3D orthotope `OrthMesh` object with Python 3.6.0, main mesh (upper left), 2-face meshes (upper right), 1-face meshes (bottom left) and 0-face meshes (bottom right)

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

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

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

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



```

import numpy as np
trans=lambda q:
    np.array([20*q[0],2*(2*q[1]-1+np.cos(2*np.pi*q[0]))])
oTh=OrthMesh(2,[100,20],type='simplicial',mapping=trans)
plt.figure(1)
oTh.plotmesh(legend=True)
plt.axis('equal')
plt.figure(2)
oTh.plotmesh(color='lightgray')
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,legend=True,linewidth=3)
plt.axis('equal')
plt.axis('off')
plt.figure(3)
oTh.plotmesh(color='lightgray')
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,color='black')
oTh.plotmesh(m=0,legend=True,s=105)
plt.axis('equal')
plt.axis('off')

```

Listing 5: Mapping of a 2D simplicial `OrthMesh` object with Python 3.6.0, main mesh (upper left), 1-face meshes (upper right), and 0-face meshes (bottom)

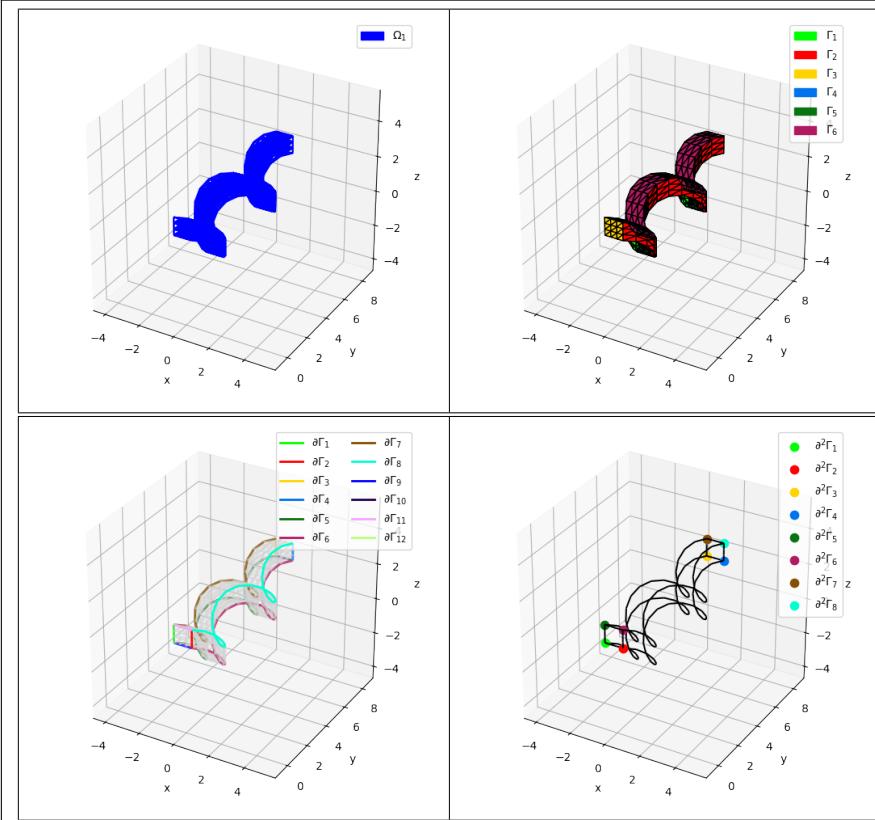
## 4.6 Mapping of a 3d-orthotope meshing by orthotopes

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

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

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



```

import numpy as np
trans=lambda q: np.array([q[0]+np.sin(4*np.pi*q[1]),
    10*q[1]-1, q[2]+np.cos(4*np.pi*q[1])])
oTh=OrthMesh(3,[3,25,3],type='simplicial',mapping=trans)
plt.figure(1)
oTh.plotmesh(legend=True)
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(2)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,legend=True,edgecolor=[0,0,0])
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=2,edgecolor='lightgray',facecolor=None,alpha=0.3)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,legend=True,linewidth=2)
set_axes_equal()
plt.figure(4)
oTh.plotmesh(m=1,color='black')
oTh.plotmesh(m=0,legend=True,s=55)
set_axes_equal()

```

Listing 6: Mapping of a 3D orthotope `OrthMesh` object with Python 3.6.0, main mesh (upper left), 2-face meshes (upper right), 1-face meshes (bottom left) and 0-face meshes (bottom right)

## 5 Memory consuming

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Take care when using theses codes with memory consuming : the number of points  $n_q$  and the number of elements increases exponentially according to the space dimension  $d$ . If  $(N + 1)$  points are taken in each space direction, we have

$$n_q = (N + 1)^d, \text{ for both tessellation and triangulation}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} n_{me} &= N^d, && \text{for tessellation by orthotopes} \\ n_{me} &= d!N^d, && \text{for tessellation by simplices.} \end{aligned}$$

If the array  $q$  is stored as *double* (8 octets) then

$$\text{mem. size of } q = d \times n_q \times 8 \text{ octets}$$

and if the array  $me$  as *int* (4 octets) then

$$\text{mem. size of } me = \begin{cases} 2^d \times n_{me} \times 4 \text{ octets} & (\text{tessellation by orthotopes}) \\ (d + 1) \times n_{me} \times 4 \text{ octets} & (\text{tessellation by simplices}) \end{cases}$$

For  $N = 10$  and  $d \in [1, 8]$ , the values of  $n_q$  and  $n_{me}$  are given in Table 1. The memory usage for the corresponding array  $q$  and array  $me$  is available in Table 2.

| $d$ | $n_q = (N + 1)^d$ | $n_{me} = N^d$ (orthotopes) | $n_{me} = d!N^d$ (simplices) |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1   | 11                | 10                          | 10                           |
| 2   | 121               | 100                         | 200                          |
| 3   | 1 331             | 1 000                       | 6 000                        |
| 4   | 14 641            | 10 000                      | 240 000                      |
| 5   | 161 051           | 100 000                     | 12 000 000                   |
| 6   | 1 771 561         | 1 000 000                   | 720 000 000                  |
| 7   | 19 487 171        | 10 000 000                  | 50 400 000 000               |
| 8   | 214 358 881       | 100 000 000                 | 4 032 000 000 000            |

Table 1: Number of vertices  $n_q$  and number of elements  $n_{me}$  for the tessellation of an orthotope by orthotopes and by simplices according to the space dimension  $d$  and with  $N = 10$ .

| $d$ | $q$    | $me$ (orthotopes) | $me$ (simplices) |
|-----|--------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1   | 88 o   | 80 o              | 80 o             |
| 2   | 1 ko   | 1 ko              | 2 ko             |
| 3   | 31 ko  | 32 ko             | 96 ko            |
| 4   | 468 ko | 640 ko            | 4 Mo             |
| 5   | 6 Mo   | 12 Mo             | 288 Mo           |
| 6   | 85 Mo  | 256 Mo            | 20 Go            |
| 7   | 1 Go   | 5 Go              | 1 612 Go         |
| 8   | 13 Go  | 102 Go            | 145 152 Go       |

Table 2: Memory usage of the array  $q$  and the array  $me$  for the tessellation of an orthotope by orthotopes and by simplices according to the space dimension  $d$  and with  $N = 10$ .

## 6 Benchmarks

For all the following tables, the computational costs of the `OrthMesh` constructor are given for the orthotope  $[-1, 1]^d$  under Python 3.6.0. The computations were done on a laptop with Core i7-4800MQ processor and 16Go of RAM under Ubuntu 14.04 LTS (64bits).

In the following pages, computational costs of the `OrthMesh` constructor will be done by using `bench01` function. As sample, we give an example with output. Thereafter, all the output will be presented in tabular form.

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(3, 'simplicial', [[-1, 1], [-1, 1], [-1, 1]],
        range(20, 170, 20))
```

Listing 7: bench sample

### 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)
  20      9261     48000    0.202
  40     68921     384000   0.204
  60    226981    1296000   0.266
  80    531441    3072000   0.353
 100   1030301   6000000   0.478
 120   1771561  10368000   0.671
 140   2803221  16464000   0.941
 160   4173281  24576000   1.315
```

### 6.1 Tessellation by orthotopes

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(2, 'orthotope', [[-1, 1], [-1, 1]], range(1000, 6000, 1000))
```

Listing 8: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^2$  by orthotopes

| $N$  | $n_q$      | $n_{me}$   | Python |
|------|------------|------------|--------|
| 1000 | 1 002 001  | 1 000 000  | 0.167  |
| 2000 | 4 004 001  | 4 000 000  | 0.266  |
| 3000 | 9 006 001  | 9 000 000  | 0.457  |
| 4000 | 16 008 001 | 16 000 000 | 0.738  |
| 5000 | 25 010 001 | 25 000 000 | 1.127  |

Table 3: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^2$  by orthotopes

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(3,'orthotope',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
        range(50,400,50))
```

Listing 9: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^3$  by orthotopes

| $N$ | $n_q$      | $n_{me}$   | Python |
|-----|------------|------------|--------|
| 50  | 132 651    | 125 000    | 0.197  |
| 100 | 1 030 301  | 1 000 000  | 0.257  |
| 150 | 3 442 951  | 3 375 000  | 0.413  |
| 200 | 8 120 601  | 8 000 000  | 0.696  |
| 250 | 15 813 251 | 15 625 000 | 1.172  |
| 300 | 27 270 901 | 27 000 000 | 2.038  |
| 350 | 43 243 551 | 42 875 000 | 3.14   |

Table 4: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^3$  by orthotopes

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(4,'orthotope',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
        [10,20,30,40,50,62])
```

Listing 10: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^4$  by orthotopes

| $N$ | $n_q$      | $n_{me}$   | Python |
|-----|------------|------------|--------|
| 10  | 14 641     | 10 000     | 0.288  |
| 20  | 194 481    | 160 000    | 0.297  |
| 30  | 923 521    | 810 000    | 0.38   |
| 40  | 2 825 761  | 2 560 000  | 0.565  |
| 50  | 6 765 201  | 6 250 000  | 0.994  |
| 62  | 15 752 961 | 14 776 336 | 1.854  |

Table 5: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^4$  by orthotopes

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(5,'orthotope',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
        [5,10,15,20,25,27])
```

Listing 11: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^5$  by orthotopes

| $N$ | $n_q$      | $n_{me}$   | Python |
|-----|------------|------------|--------|
| 5   | 7 776      | 3 125      | 0.461  |
| 10  | 161 051    | 100 000    | 0.476  |
| 15  | 1 048 576  | 759 375    | 0.681  |
| 20  | 4 084 101  | 3 200 000  | 1.125  |
| 25  | 11 881 376 | 9 765 625  | 2.344  |
| 27  | 17 210 368 | 14 348 907 | 3.166  |

Table 6: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^5$  by orthotopes

## 6.2 Tessellation by simplices

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```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(2,'simplicial',[[-1,1],[-1,1]],range(1000,6000,1000))
```

Listing 12: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^2$  by simplices

| $N$  | n <sub>q</sub> | n <sub>me</sub> | Python |
|------|----------------|-----------------|--------|
| 1000 | 1 002 001      | 2 000 000       | 0.196  |
| 2000 | 4 004 001      | 8 000 000       | 0.393  |
| 3000 | 9 006 001      | 18 000 000      | 0.74   |
| 4000 | 16 008 001     | 32 000 000      | 1.222  |
| 5000 | 25 010 001     | 50 000 000      | 1.885  |

Table 7: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^2$  by simplices

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(3,'simplicial',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
        range(40,190,20))
```

Listing 13: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^3$  by simplices

| $N$ | n <sub>q</sub> | n <sub>me</sub> | Python |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|--------|
| 40  | 68 921         | 384 000         | 0.21   |
| 60  | 226 981        | 1 296 000       | 0.269  |
| 80  | 531 441        | 3 072 000       | 0.359  |
| 100 | 1 030 301      | 6 000 000       | 0.487  |
| 120 | 1 771 561      | 10 368 000      | 0.684  |
| 140 | 2 803 221      | 16 464 000      | 0.959  |
| 160 | 4 173 281      | 24 576 000      | 1.337  |
| 180 | 5 929 741      | 34 992 000      | 1.804  |

Table 8: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^3$  by simplices

```
from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(4,'simplicial',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
        [10,20,25,30,35,40])
```

Listing 14: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^4$  by simplices

| $N$ | n <sub>q</sub> | n <sub>me</sub> | Python |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|--------|
| 10  | 14 641         | 240 000         | 0.304  |
| 20  | 194 481        | 3 840 000       | 0.555  |
| 25  | 456 976        | 9 375 000       | 0.974  |
| 30  | 923 521        | 19 440 000      | 1.697  |
| 35  | 1 679 616      | 36 015 000      | 2.887  |

Table 9: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^4$  by simplices

```

from fc_hypermesh import bench01
bench01(5,'simplicial',[[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1],[-1,1]],
         range(2,14,2))

```

Listing 15: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^5$  by simplices

| $N$ | $n_q$   | $n_{me}$   | Python |
|-----|---------|------------|--------|
| 2   | 243     | 3 840      | 0.466  |
| 4   | 3 125   | 122 880    | 0.452  |
| 6   | 16 807  | 933 120    | 0.561  |
| 8   | 59 049  | 3 932 160  | 0.696  |
| 10  | 161 051 | 12 000 000 | 1.314  |
| 12  | 371 293 | 29 859 840 | 2.863  |

Table 10: Tessellation of  $[-1, 1]^5$  by simplices

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