

Fundamentals of 3D

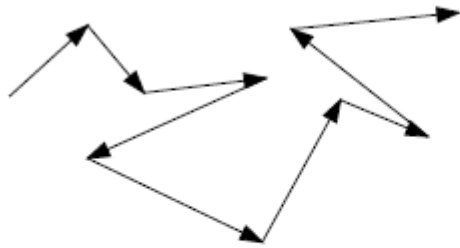
Lecture 8: Introduction to meshes

Les maillages

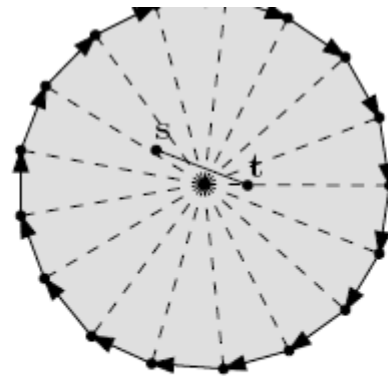
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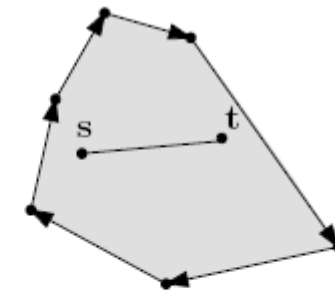
Polygons



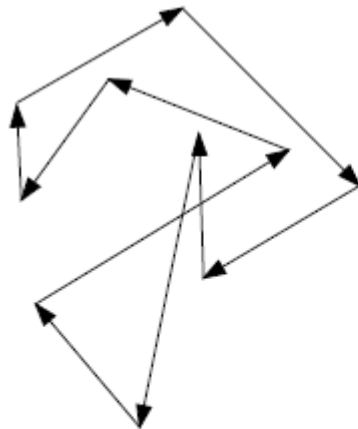
Polygonal chain



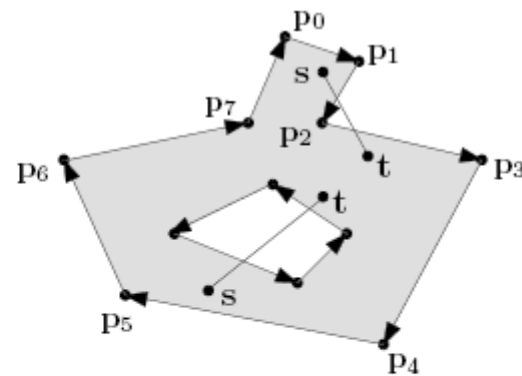
Regular (convex) polygon



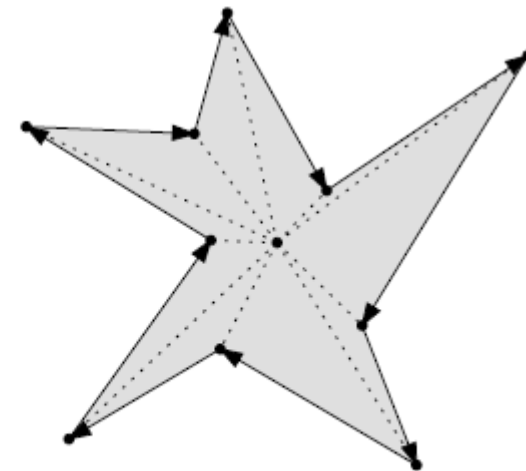
Convex polygon



Nonsimple polygon

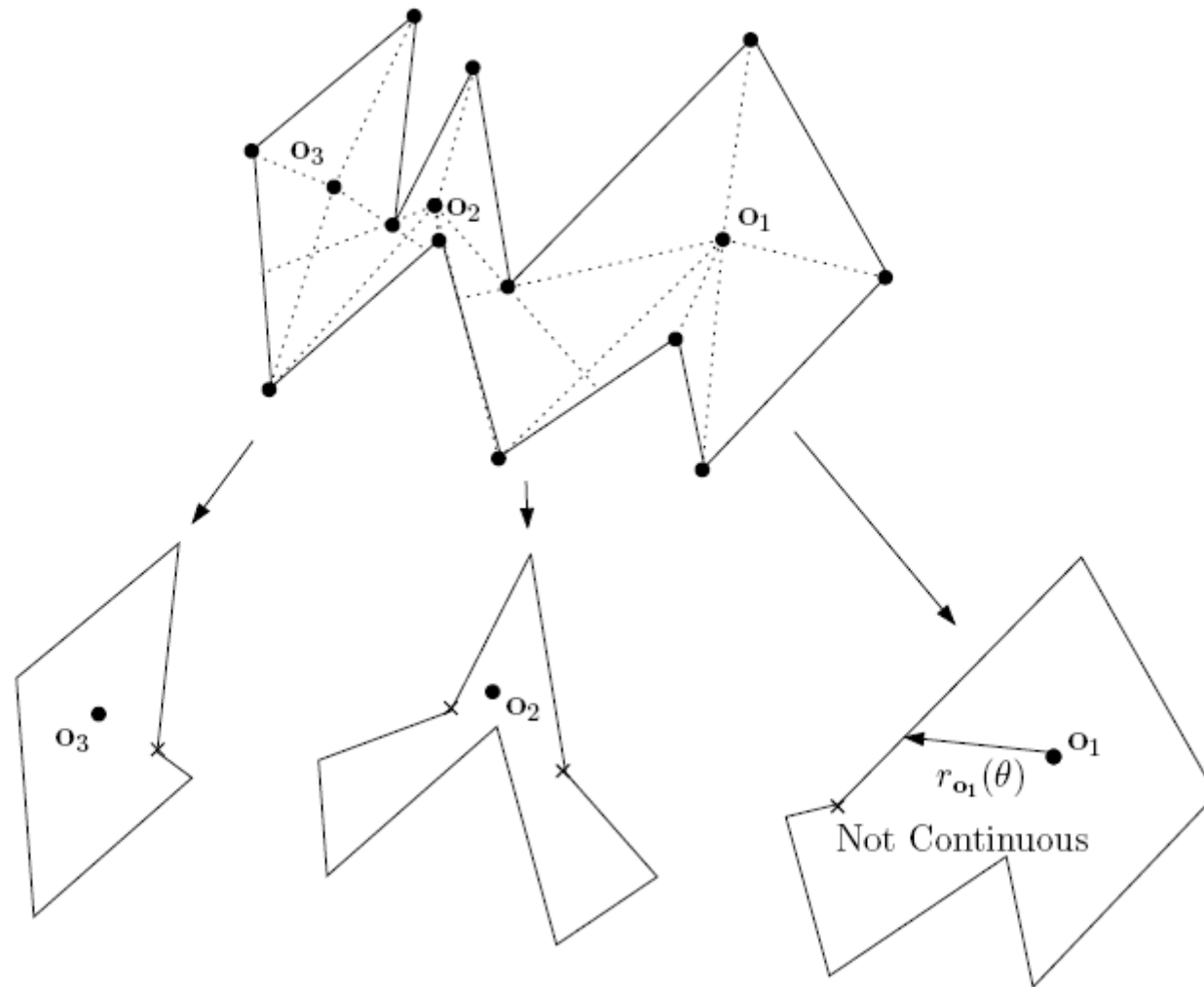


Nonconvex polygon with hole

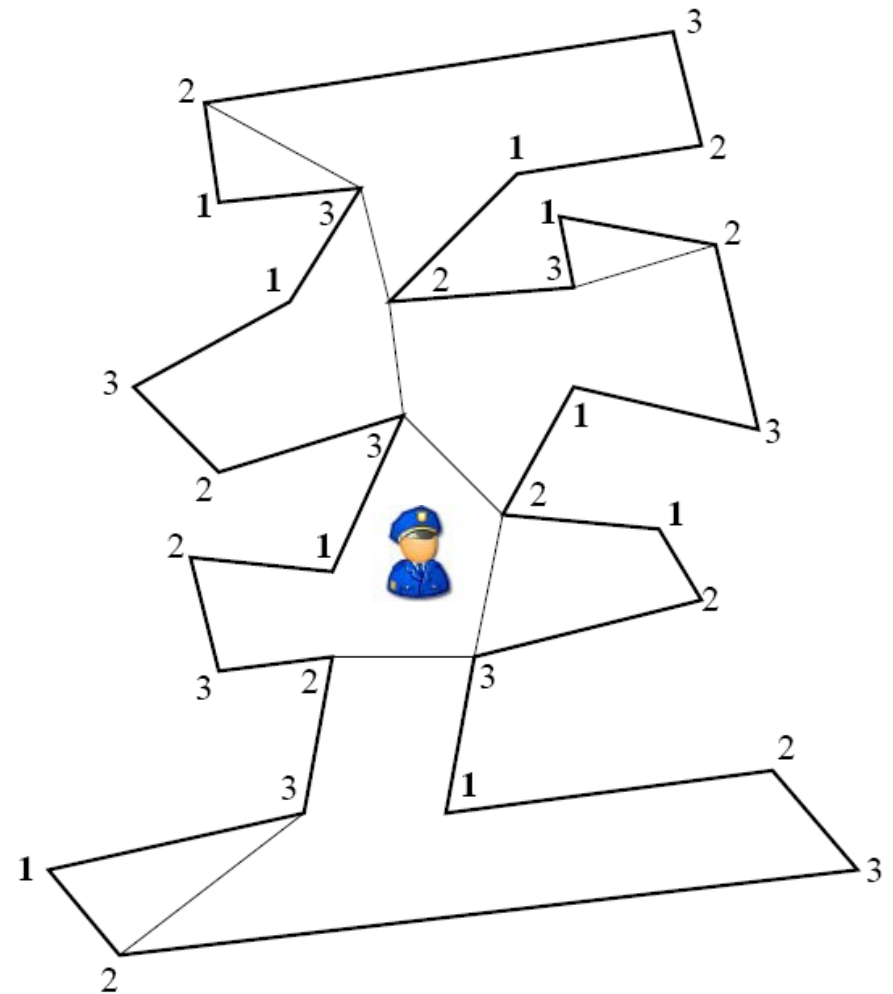


Star-shaped polygon

Polygons: Star-shaped decomposition



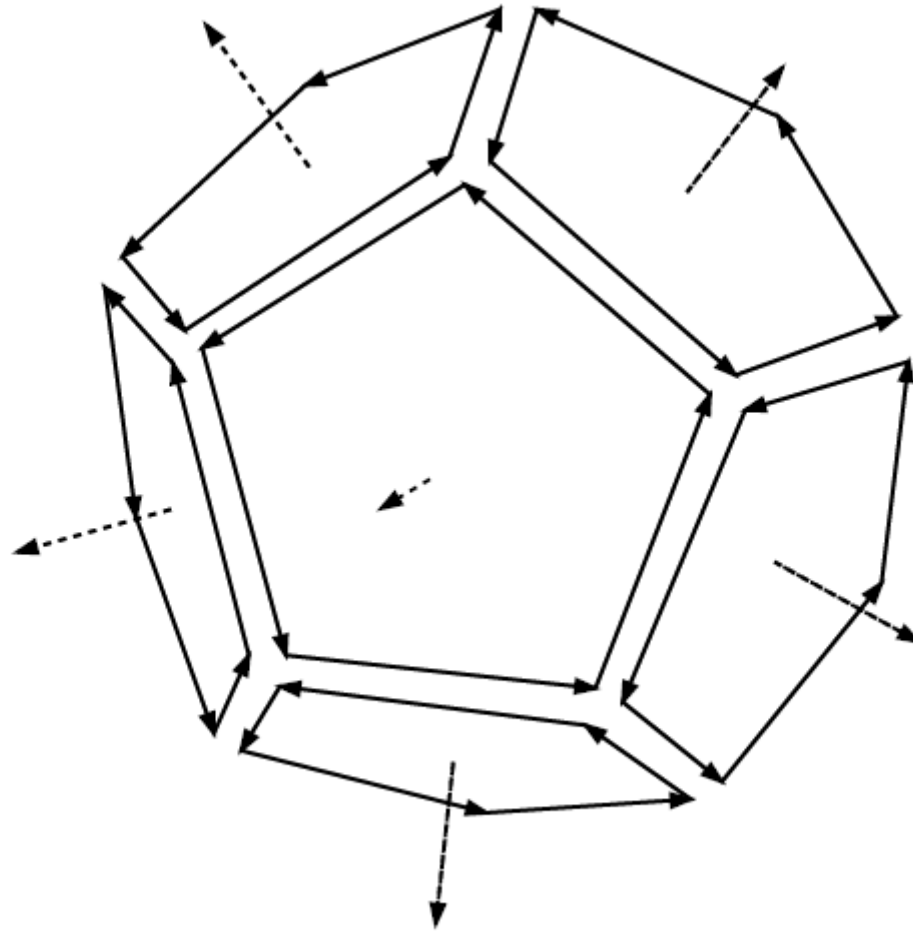
Polygons: Star-shaped decomposition



Art gallery, illumination problems, robots' race, etc.
Place guards...

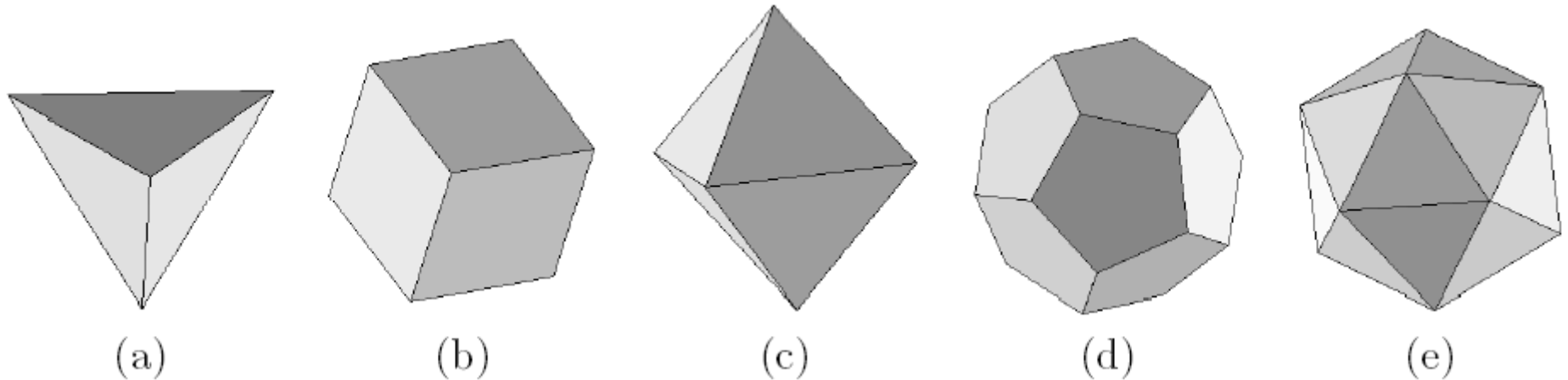


3D : Orienting the face edges for outer normals



Polyhedron, convex polyhedra

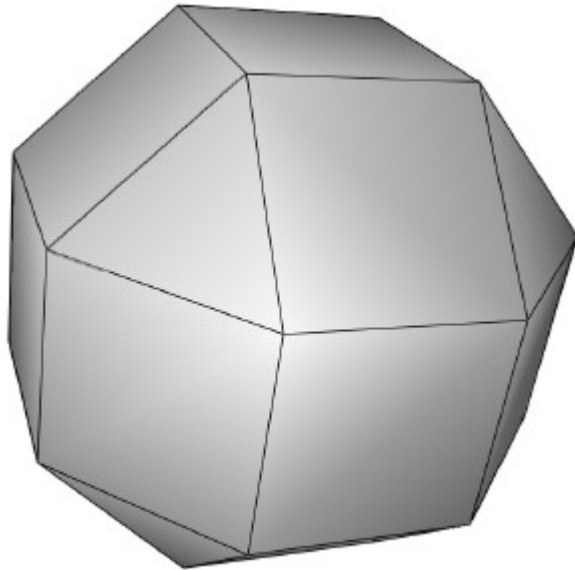
Platonic solids: 5 convex polyhedra



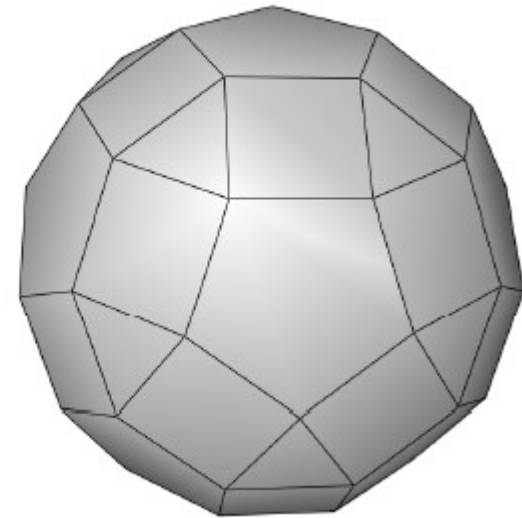
Platonic solid	Schläfli symbol	# Vertices	# Faces	# Edges
Tetrahedron (a)	(3, 3)	4	4	6
Hexahedron (b)	(4, 3)	8	6	12
Octahedron (c)	(3, 4)	6	8	12
Dodecahedron (d)	(5, 3)	20	12	30
Icosahedron (e)	(3, 5)	12	20	30

**Identical faces
(group of symmetry)**

Uniform polyhedra



rhombicuboctahedron



rhombicosidodecahedron

- **faces=regular polygons** (not necessarily the same),
- **isometry mapping of its vertices** (=symmetry)

75 uniform finite polyhedra/ if you like origami



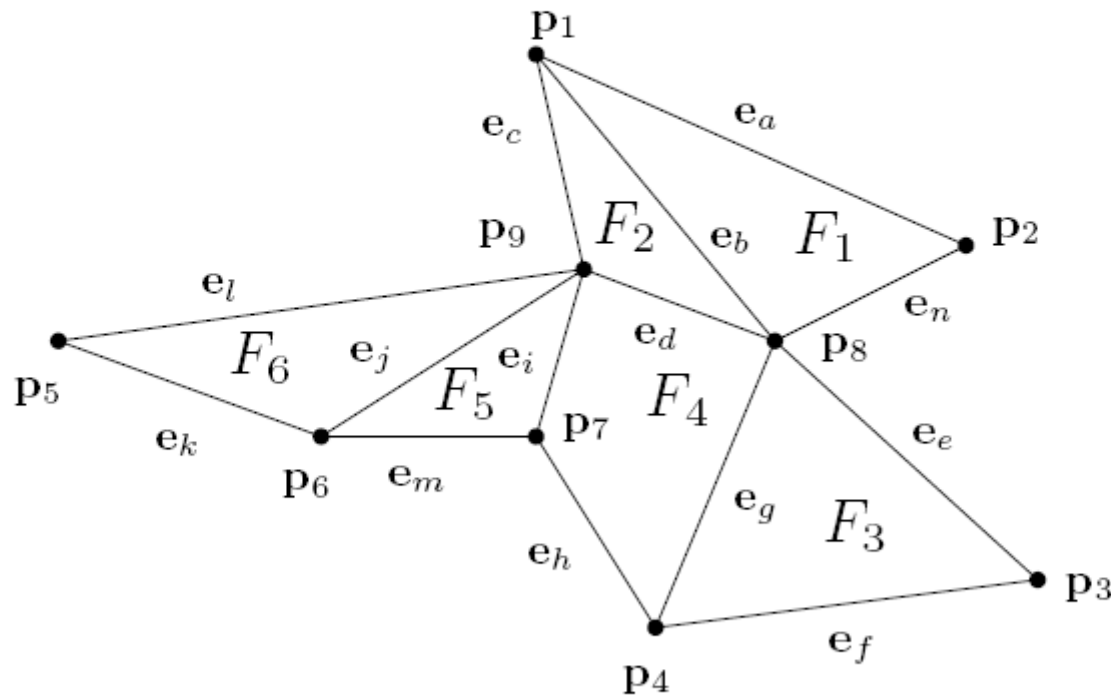
Science Museum, London



Meshes: Notations

- vertices
- edges
- faces

$$\mathcal{M} \quad \begin{array}{ll} |\mathcal{V}(\mathcal{M})| = 9 & \mathcal{V}(\mathcal{M}) = \{\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_6, \mathbf{p}_7, \mathbf{p}_8, \mathbf{p}_9\} \\ |\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{M})| = 14 & \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{M}) = \{\mathbf{e}_a, \mathbf{e}_b, \mathbf{e}_c, \mathbf{e}_d, \mathbf{e}_e, \mathbf{e}_f, \mathbf{e}_g, \mathbf{e}_h, \mathbf{e}_i, \mathbf{e}_j, \mathbf{e}_k, \mathbf{e}_l, \mathbf{e}_m, \mathbf{e}_n\} \\ |\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M})| = 6 & \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{M}) = \{F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5, F_6\} \end{array}$$

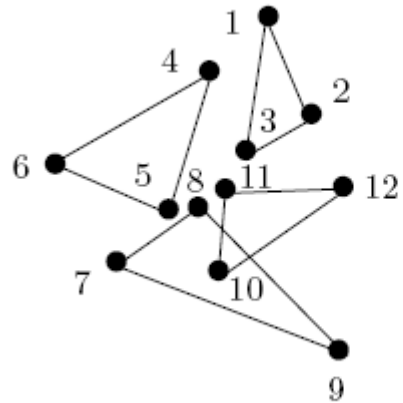


$$E(\mathbf{p}_8) = \{\mathbf{e}_b, \mathbf{e}_d, \mathbf{e}_g, \mathbf{e}_e, \mathbf{e}_n\}$$

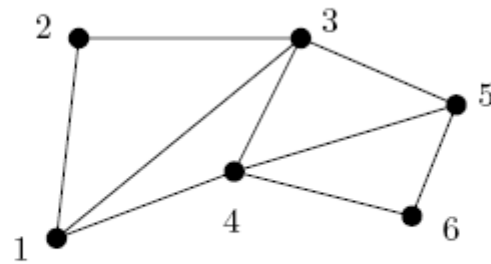
$$N(\mathbf{p}_8) = \{\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_4, \mathbf{p}_9\}$$



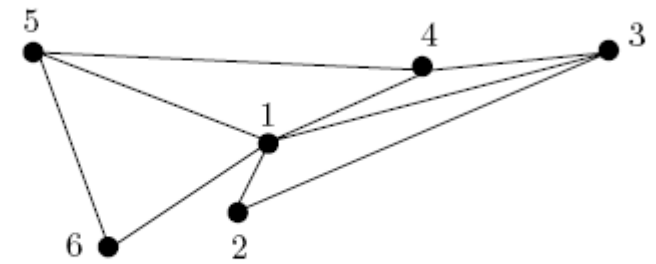
Meshes: Connectivity (= structuring)



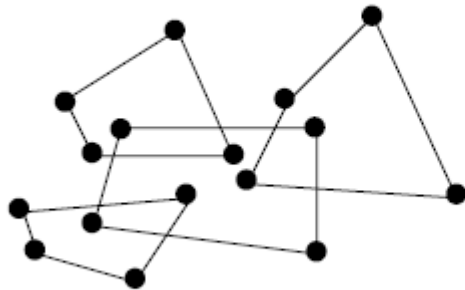
Triangle Soup



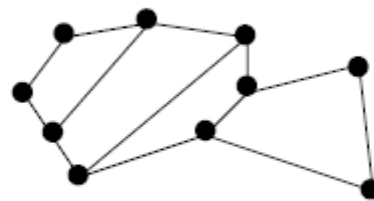
Triangle Strip



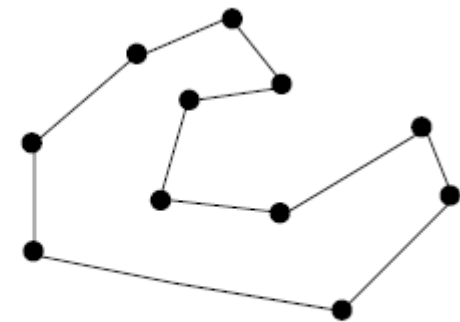
Triangle Fan (Umbrella)



Quad Soup

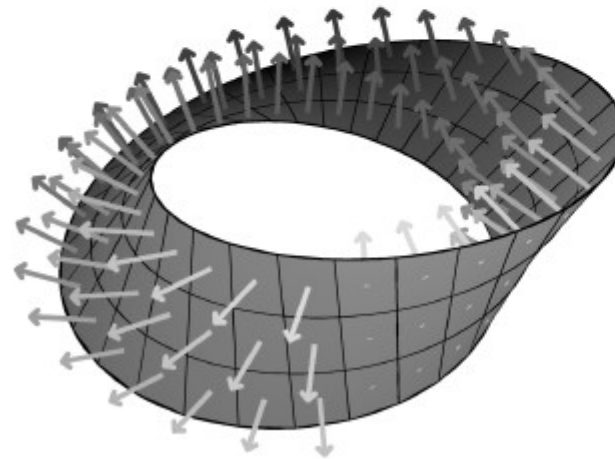


Quad Strip

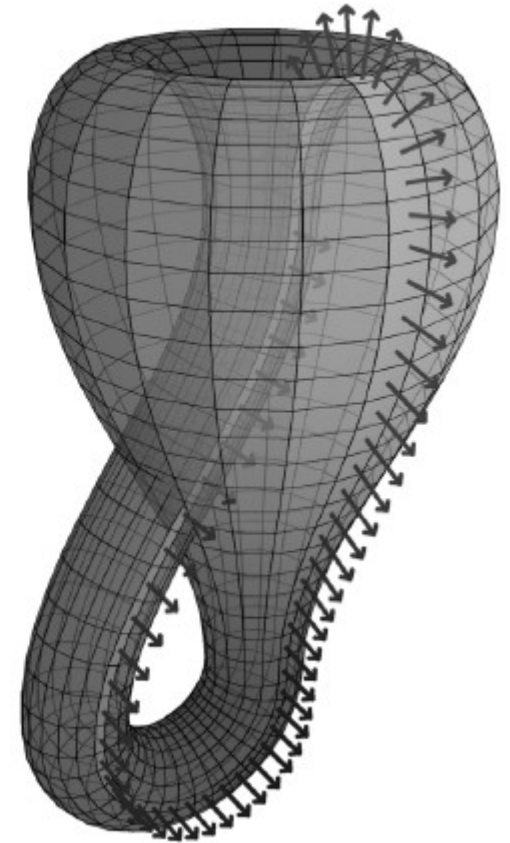


Polygon

Meshes: Non-orientable surfaces



Möbius band

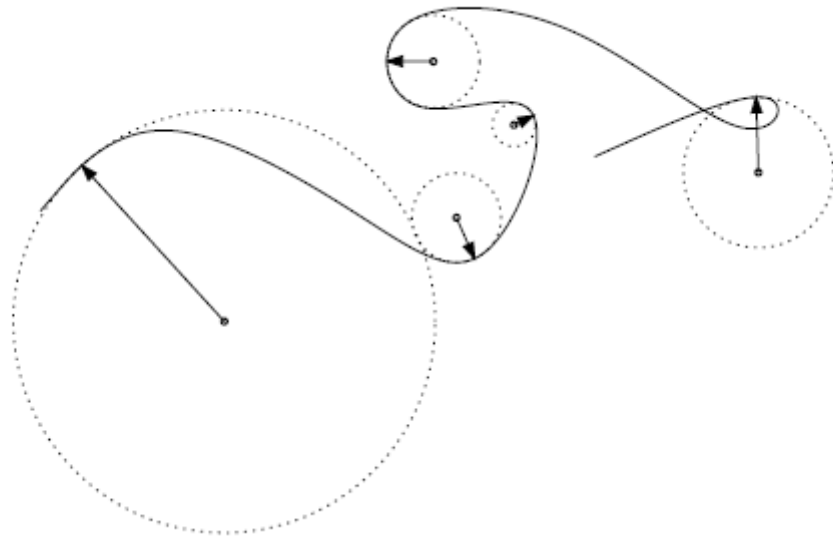


Klein bottle

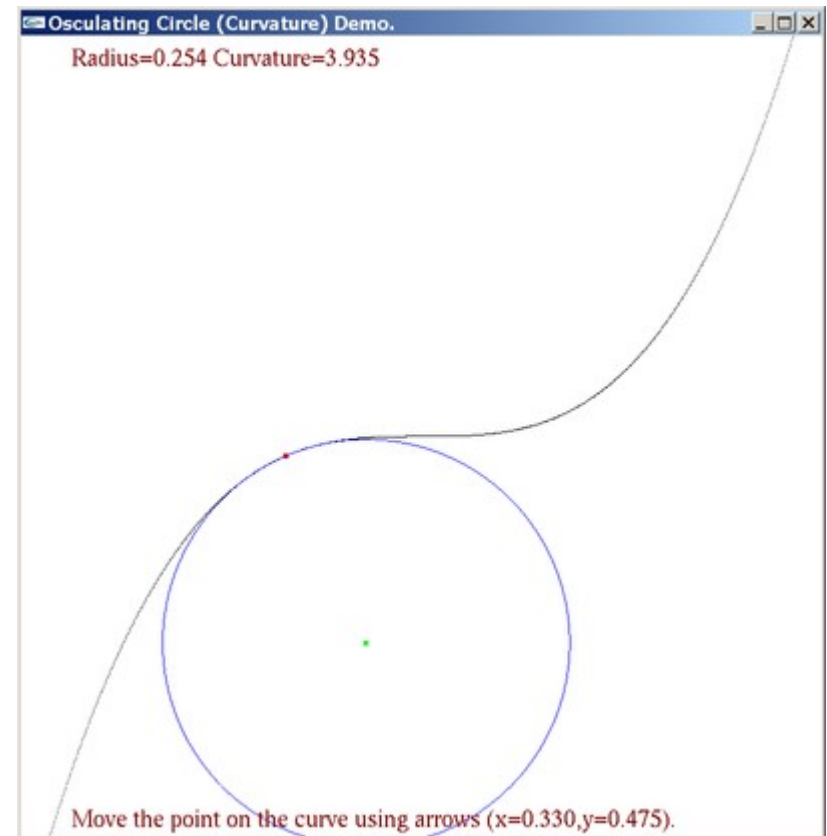
Textured meshes: Realistic computer graphics



Osculating circles and curvature



$$\rho(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{R(\mathbf{p})}$$

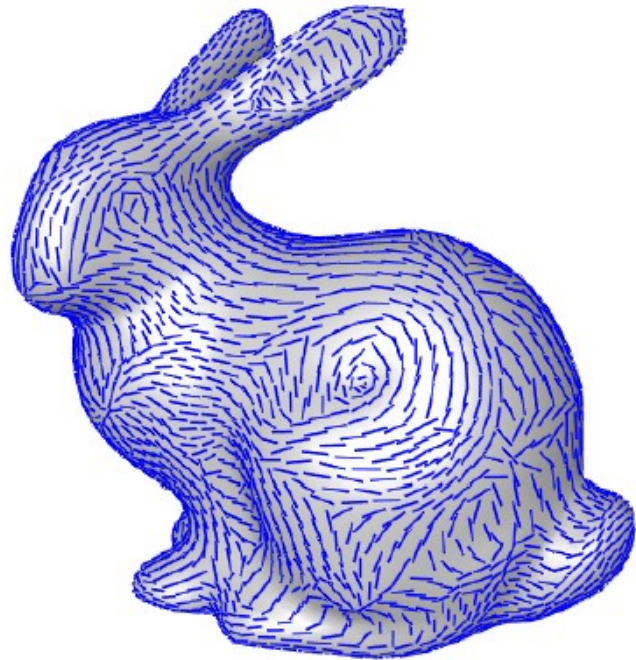


Curvature is the inverse of the radius of the osculating circle.

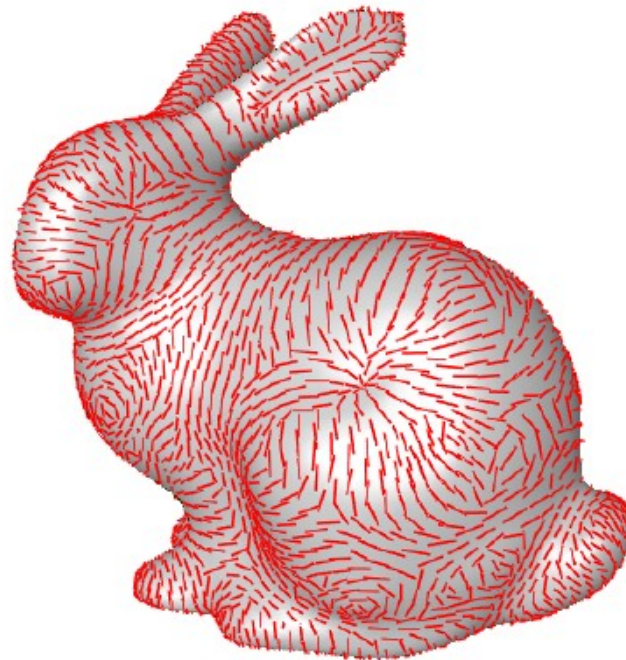


Mesh: Sectional curvatures and principal directions

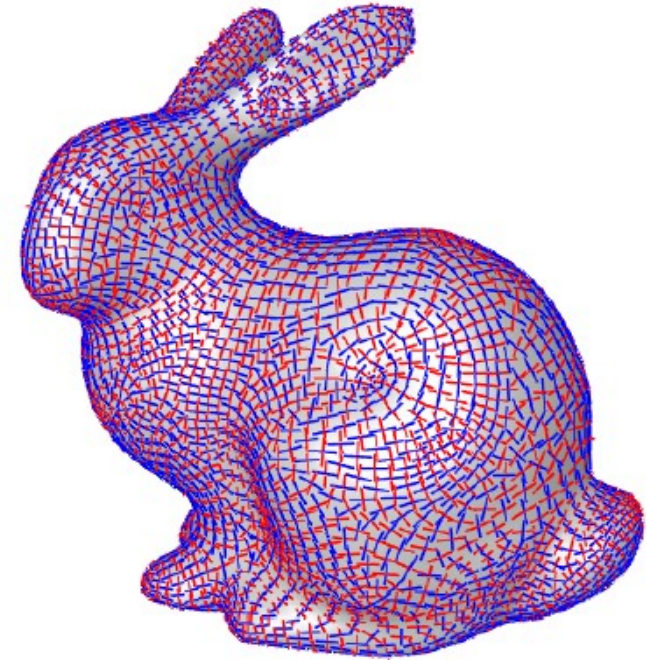
Directions are perpendicular to each other



Minimum curvature



Maximum curvature



sectional curvatures.

Intersection of a surface S with a plane containing point \mathbf{p} and its normal:
2D curve that can be analyzed using the osculating circles.



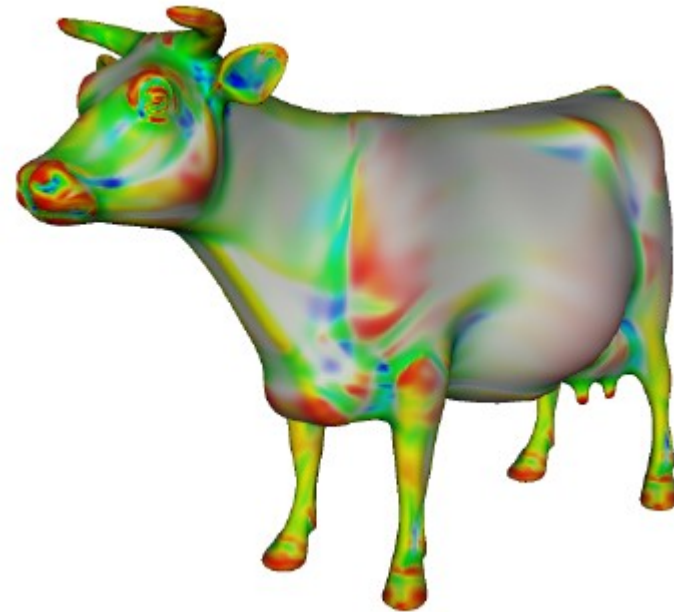
Mesh: Gaussian and mean curvatures

Gaussian curvature:

$$\rho_G = \rho_{\max} \times \rho_{\min}$$

Mean curvature:

$$\frac{\rho_{\max} + \rho_{\min}}{2}$$



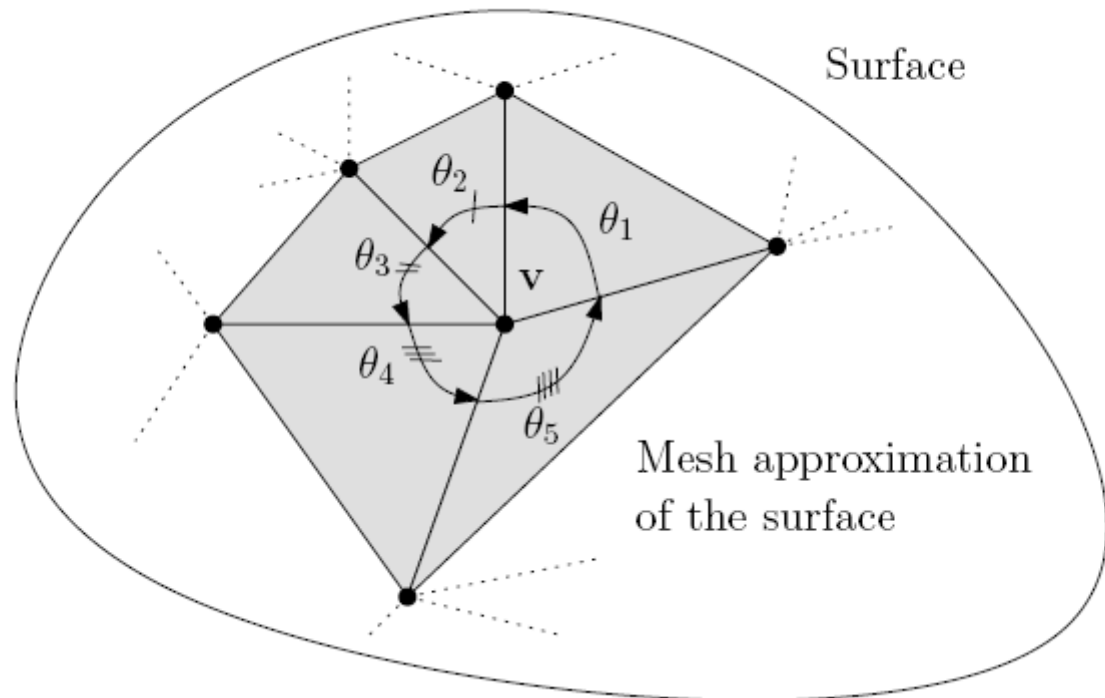
→ In Riemannian geometry, many ways to define curvatures (and torsions)



Mesh: Integral Gaussian curvature/angle excess (Deviation from flatness)

$$\int \int_{A \in T(\mathbf{v})} \rho_G(A) dA \simeq -\theta(\mathbf{v}).$$

$$\rho(\mathbf{v}) = 2\pi - \sum_{i=1}^{|T(\mathbf{v})|} \theta_i.$$

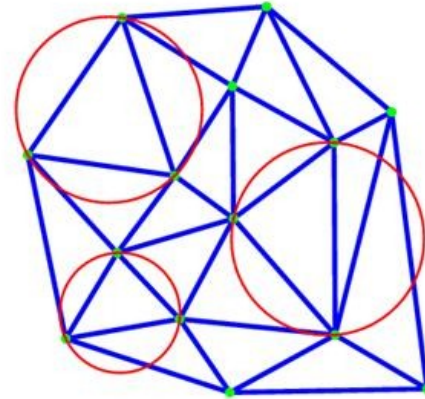


Mesh: Ingredients of topology



Euler's formula is a topological invariant:

$$\#Vertices - \#Edges + \#Faces = 2.$$



Closed triangulated manifold:

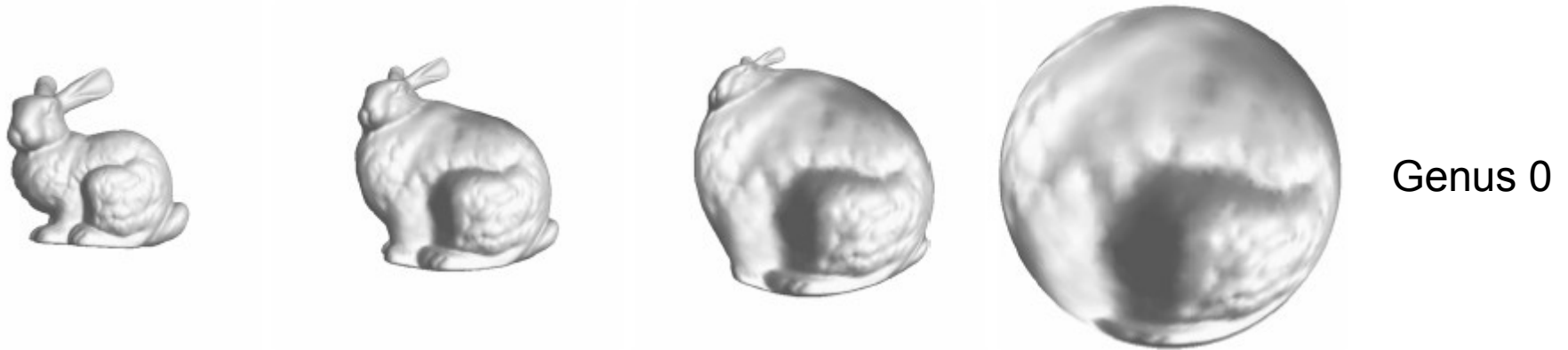
$$\#Vertices \leq \frac{2}{3}\#Edges, \quad \text{and} \quad \#Vertices \leq 2\#Faces - 4.$$

$$\#Edges \leq 3\#Vertices - 6, \quad \text{and} \quad \#Edges \leq 3\#Faces - 6.$$

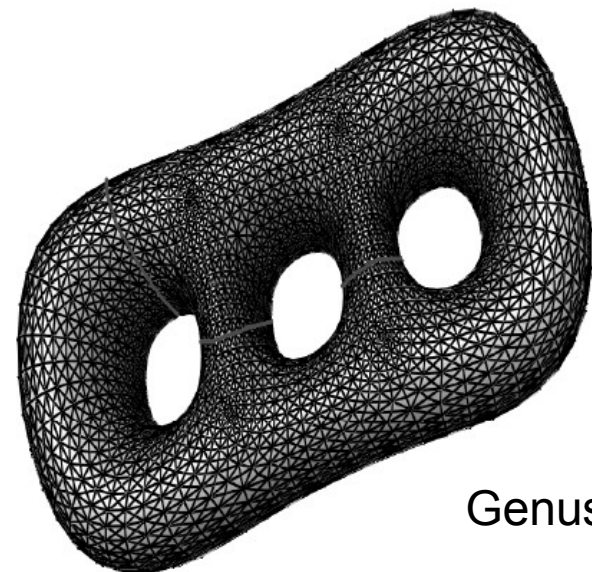
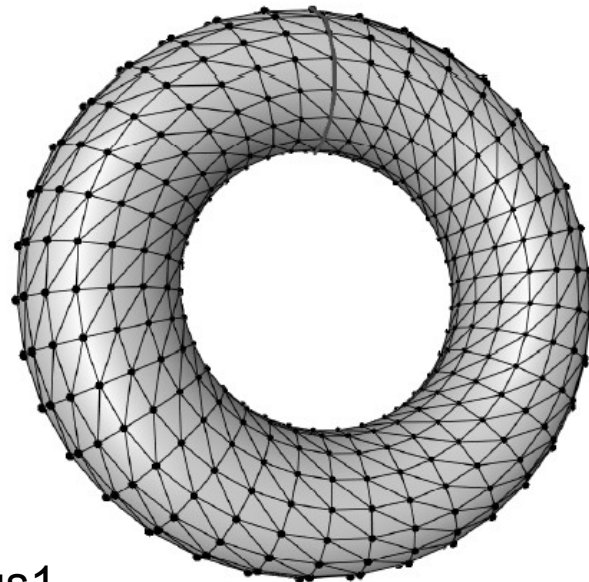
$$\#Faces \leq \frac{2}{3}\#Edges, \quad \text{and} \quad \#Faces \leq 2\#Vertices - 4.$$



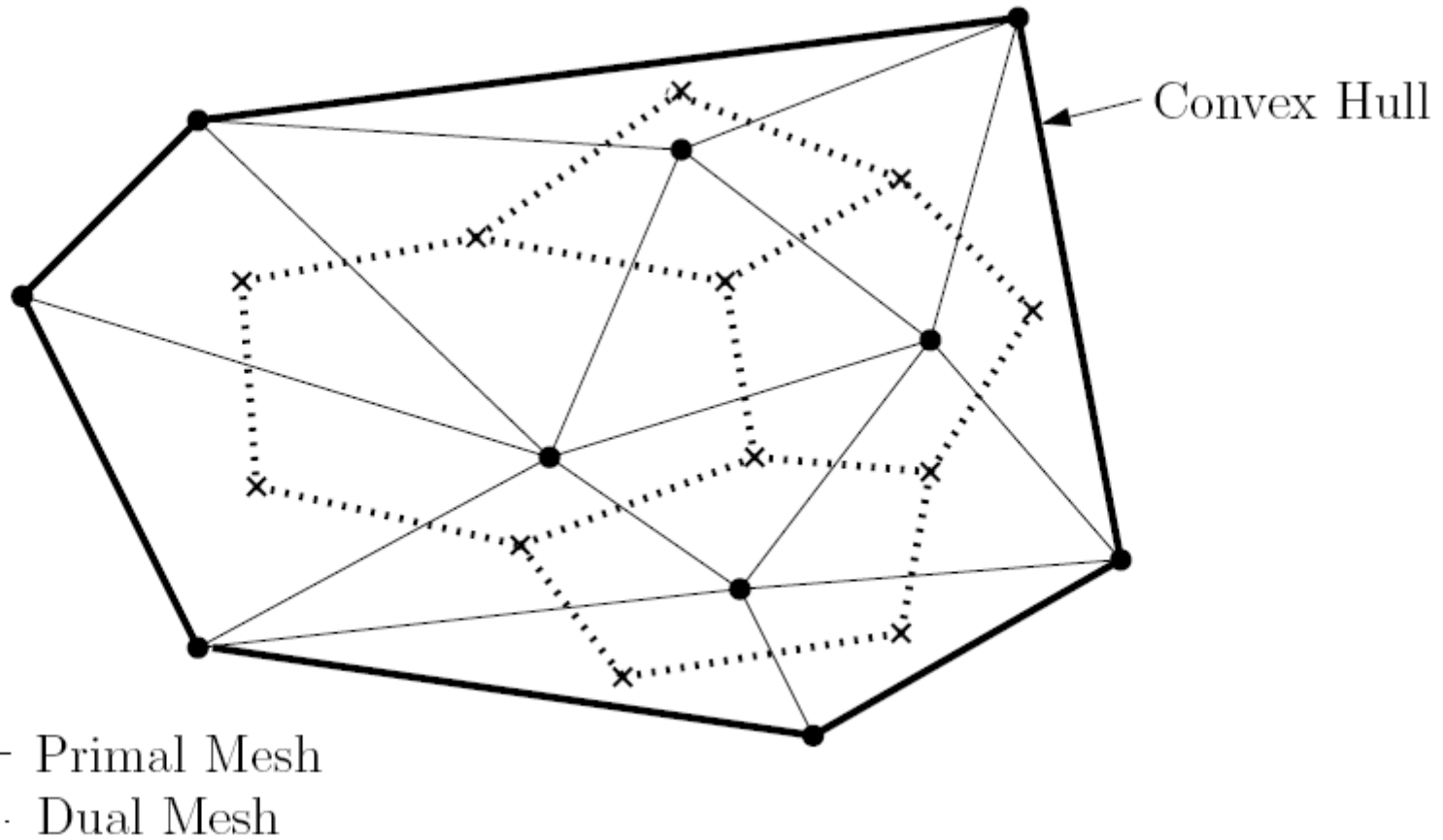
Mesh topology: Genus, polyhedra with holes (topology=global property)



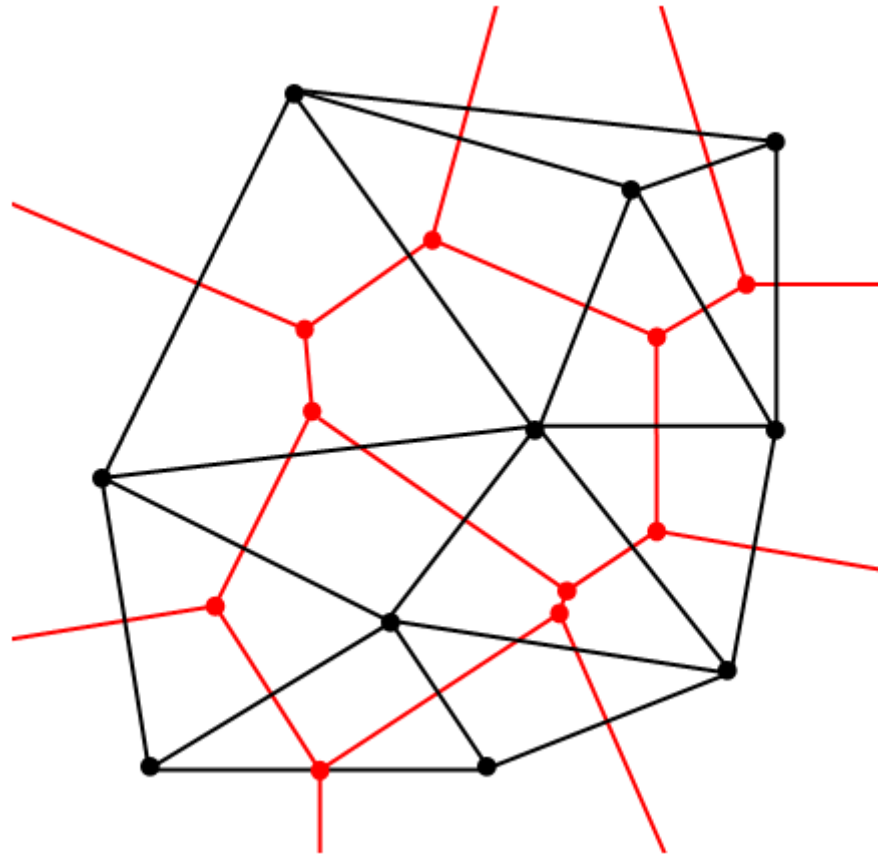
$$\#Vertices - \#Edges + \#Faces = 2 - 2\#Genus$$



Mesh: Primal/Dual graph representations

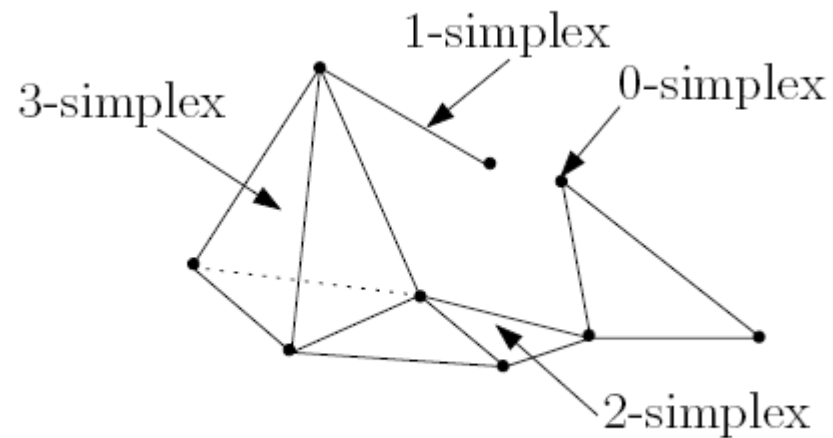


Mesh: Primal/Dual graph representations

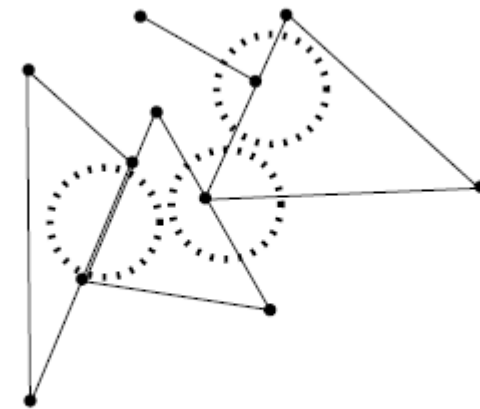


Primal Voronoi/Dual Delaunay triangulation

Simplicial complexes: Building blocks (LEGO-type)



(a) Simplicial complex

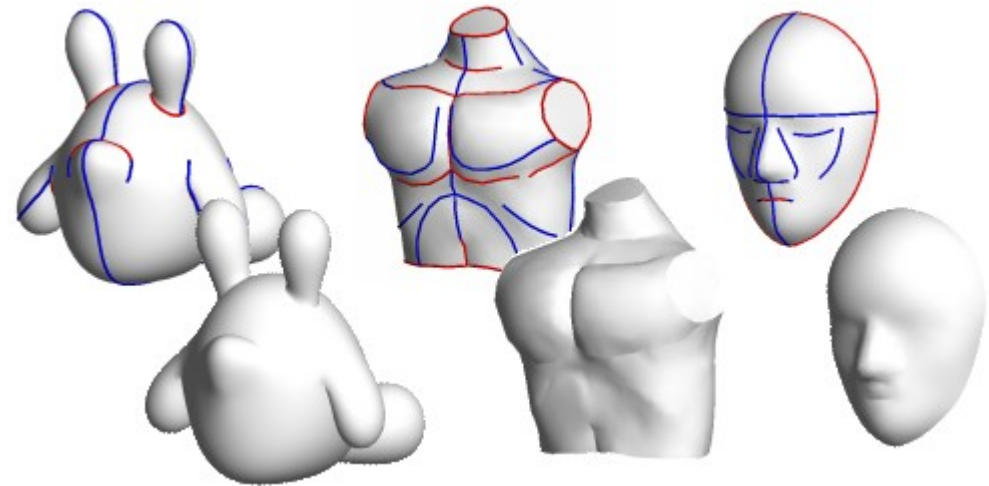


(b) Nonsimplicial complex

Sketching meshes: Pen computing

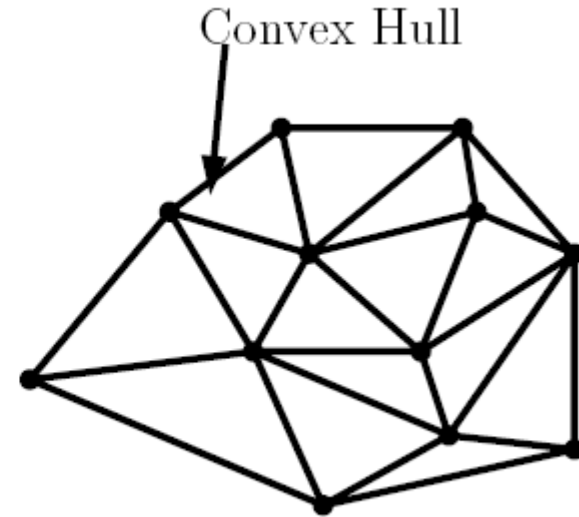
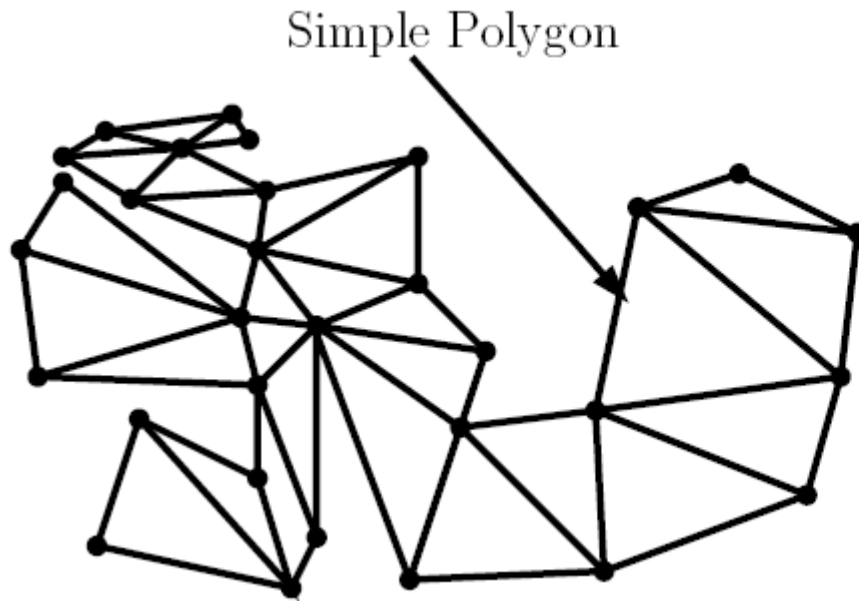
Meshes for the masses.

→ Difficult to design



Triangulation meshes:

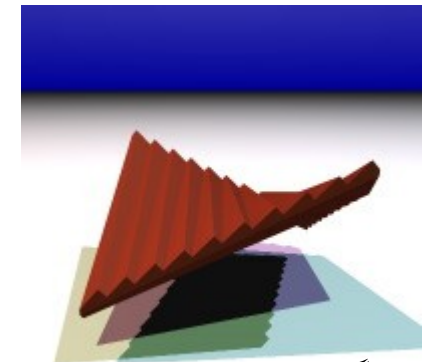
Always possible in 2D (but difficult)



NOT Always possible in 3D!!! (require additional Steiner points)



Untetrahedralizable Objects



SCHONHARDT'S POLYHEDRON *CHAZELLE'S POLYHEDRON*

Meshes: Procedural modeling/ city(buildings)



L-system (Lindenmayer) process

START \longrightarrow A

A \longrightarrow B

B \longrightarrow AB

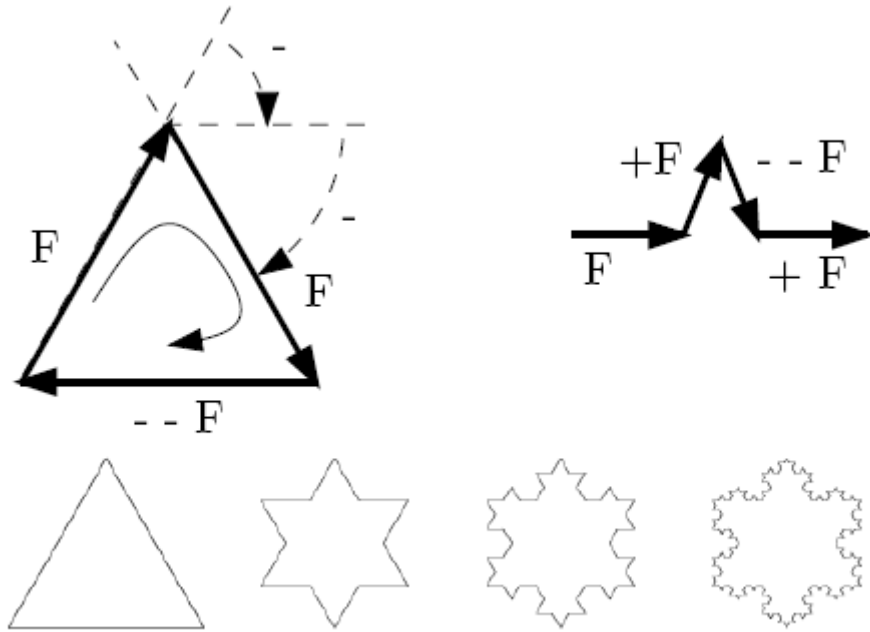
Fibonacci's sequences

Step	String	String Length
0	A	1
1	B	1
2	AB	2
3	BAB	3
4	ABBAB	5
5	BABABBAB	8
6	ABBABBABABBAB	13
7	BABABBABABBABBABABBAB	21

Grammar, language, parsing, etc.



L-system (Lindenmayer) process / LOGO



START $\longrightarrow F - -F - -F$
 $F \longrightarrow F + F - -F + F$

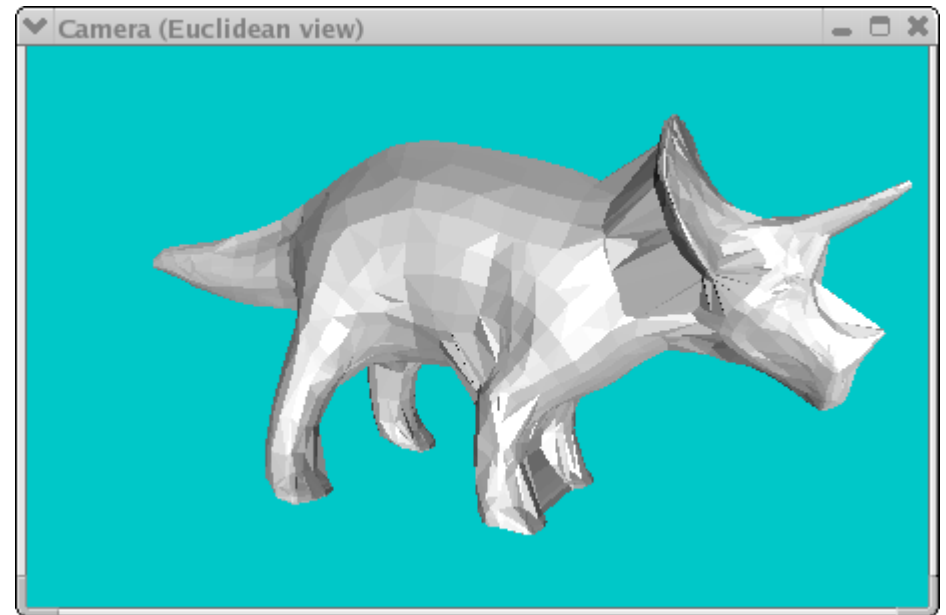


Data-structures for meshes: Indexed face list

(This is the PPM equivalent for 3D objects)

Object Oriented Graphics Library (OOGL) / OFF format

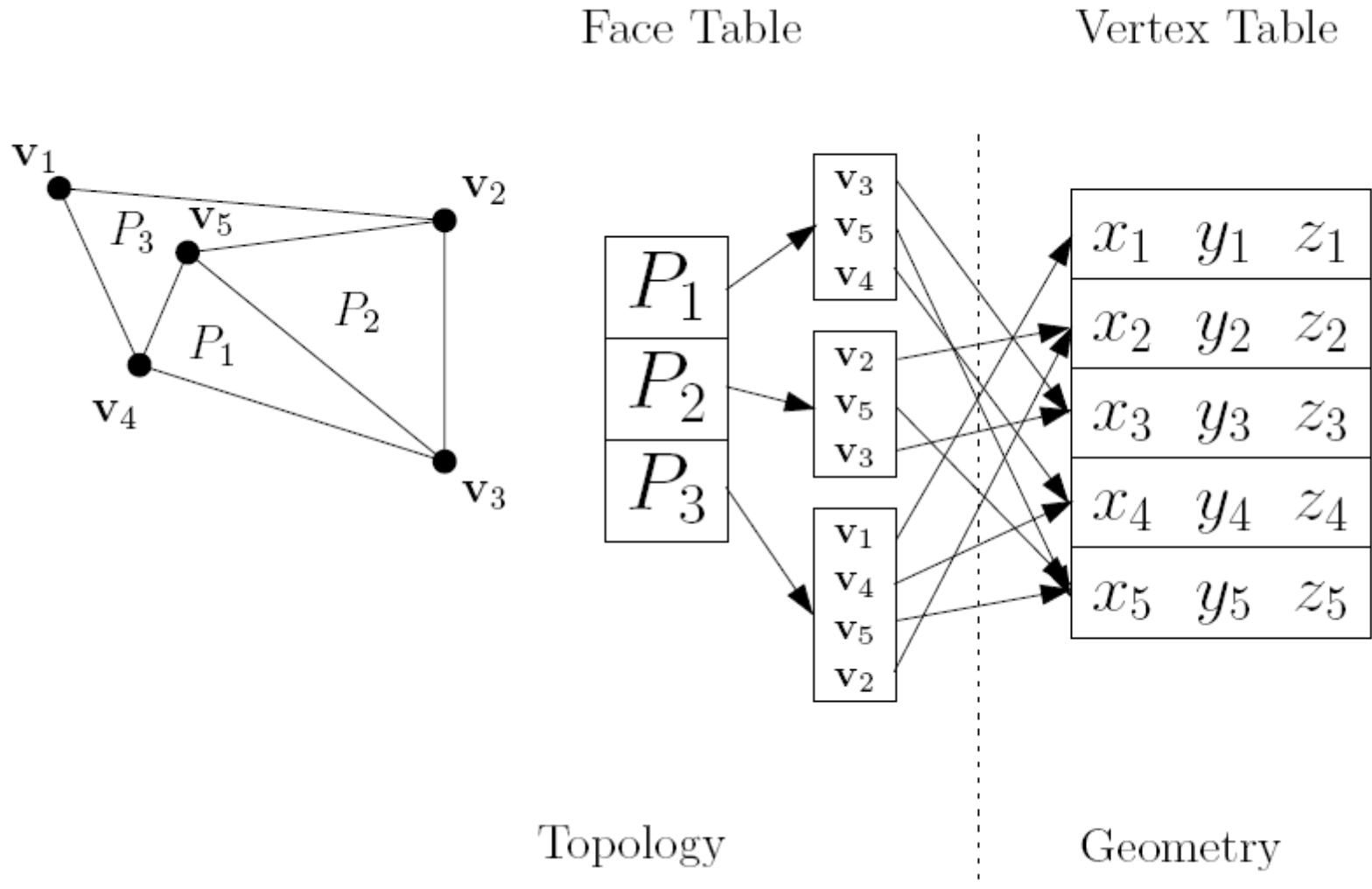
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1 OFF
2 # Geomview OOGL format cube.off
3 # #Vertices #Faces #Edge
4 8 6 0
5 # Vertex table
6 -0.500000 -0.500000 0.500000
7 0.500000 -0.500000 0.500000
8 -0.500000 0.500000 0.500000
9 0.500000 0.500000 0.500000
10 -0.500000 0.500000 -0.500000
11 0.500000 0.500000 -0.500000
12 -0.500000 -0.500000 -0.500000
13 0.500000 -0.500000 -0.500000
14 # Face index table (first vertex index: 0)
15 4 0 1 3 2
16 4 2 3 5 4
17 4 4 5 7 6
18 4 6 7 1 0
19 4 1 7 5 3
20 4 6 0 2 4
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Geomview.org viewer



Data-structures for meshes: Indexed face list



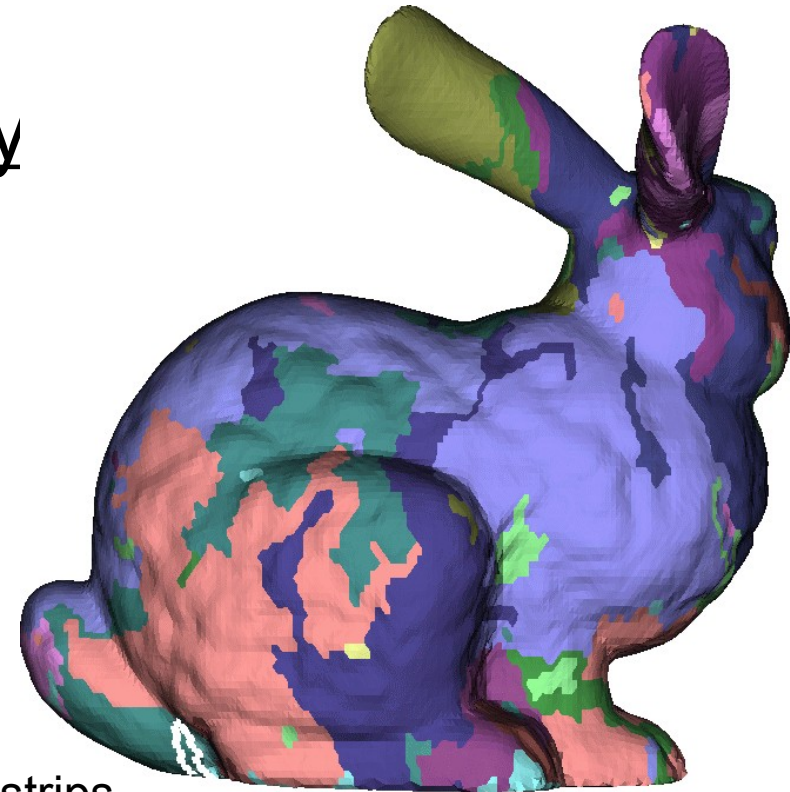
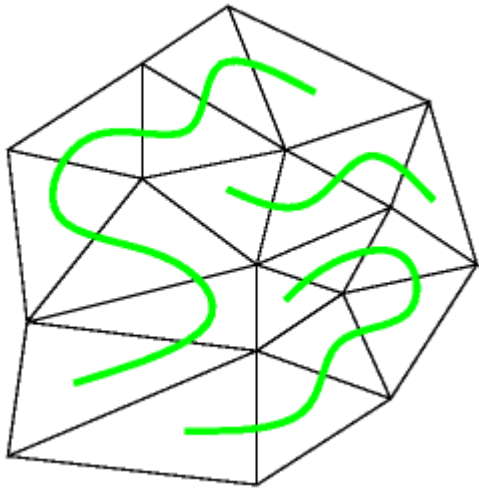
→ If we change vertex coordinates, all faces updated simultaneously !



Optimizing bandwidth: Triangle/quad strips

Compress mesh vertices

→ Compress mesh connectivity



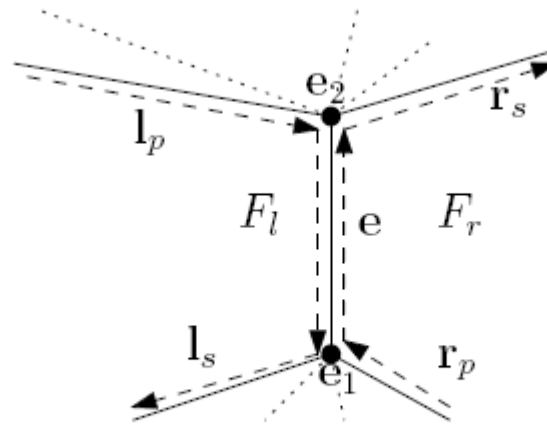
Bunny with 150 strips

GREEDYSTRIPMESH(\mathcal{M})

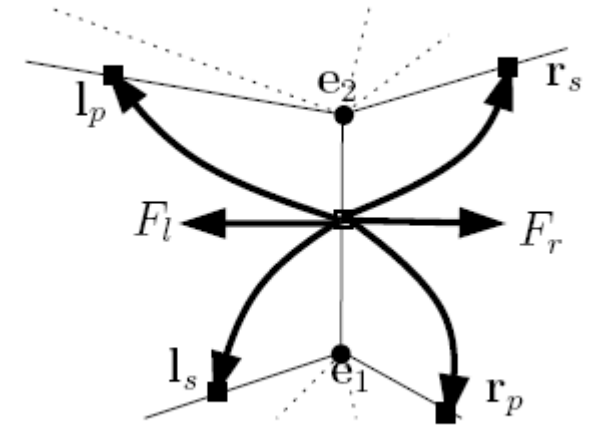
1. ◁ Overview of the greedy stripping method ▷
2. **while** there remains triangles in \mathcal{M}
3. **do** Pick a triangle T of \mathcal{M} that has minimum number of adjacent triangles
4. For each edge e of T , build the strip passing through T and e
5. Choose the longest strip and remove its triangles from \mathcal{M}

Many data-structures for meshes....

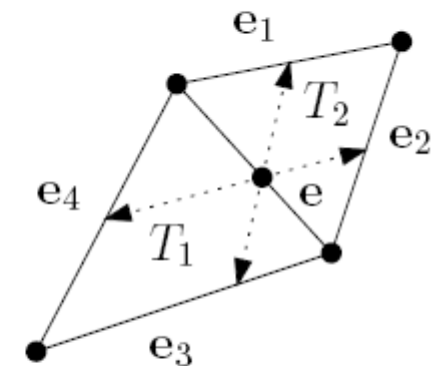
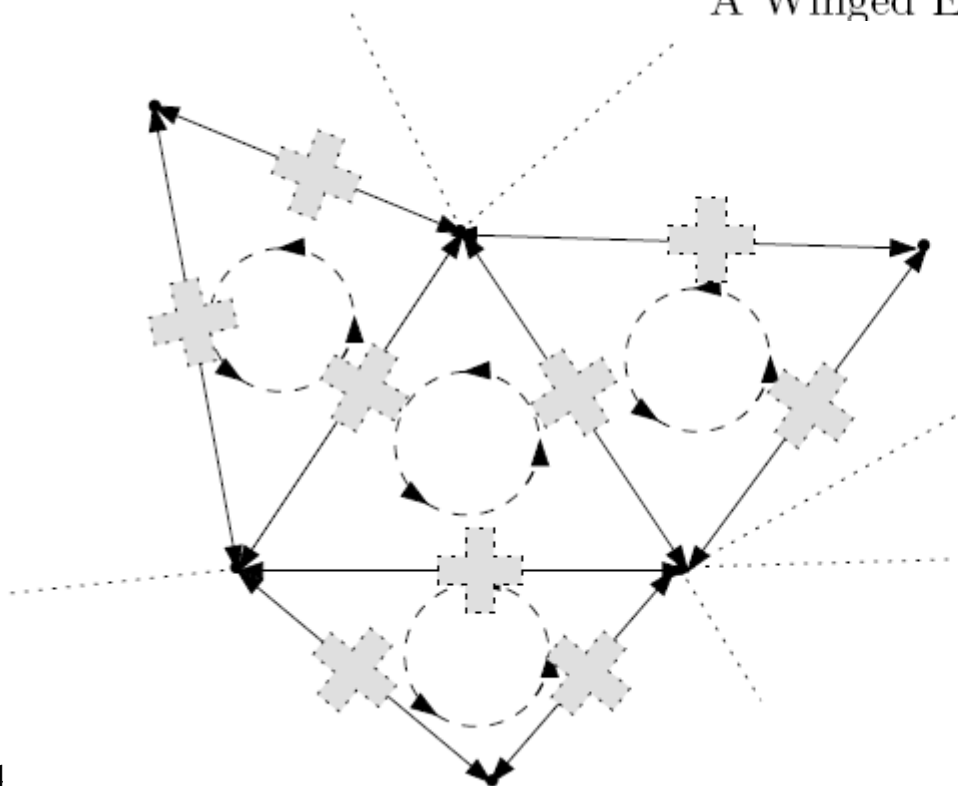
Winged edges
Half edges
Quad edges



A Winged Edge

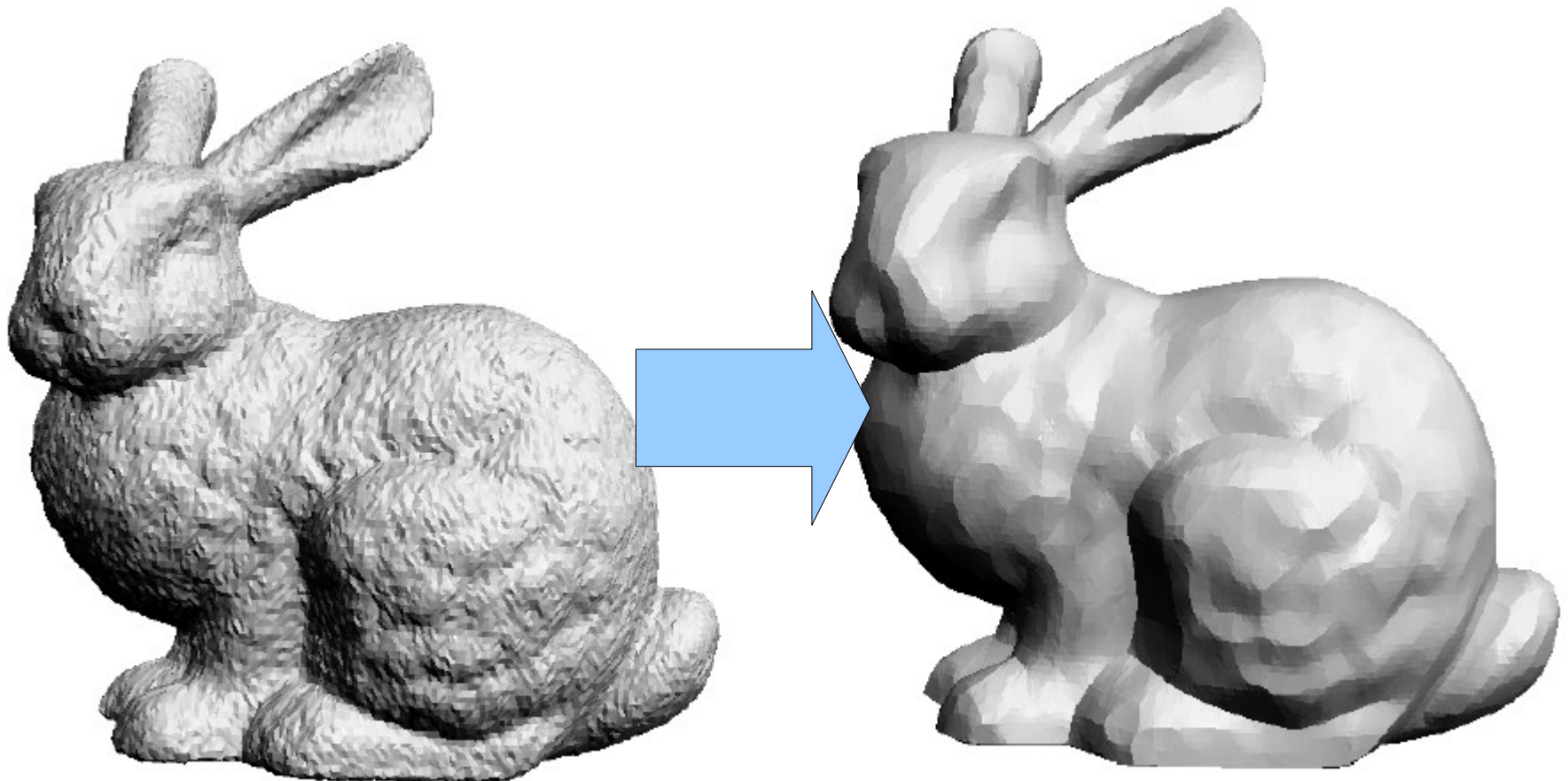


Pointer References



(Discrete) Laplacian smoothing on meshes

$$\mathbf{v} \leftarrow \mathbf{v} + \frac{\lambda}{|N(\mathbf{v})|} \sum_{i=1}^{|N(\mathbf{v})|} (N(\mathbf{v}, i) - \mathbf{v})$$



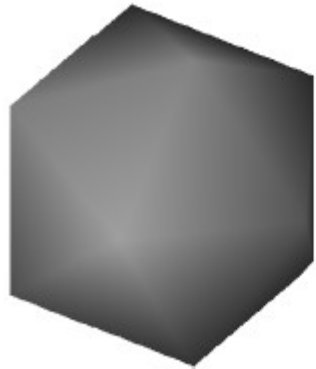
Surface subdivision: Refining

→ Limit surface is smooth

Base Mesh (Icosahedron)

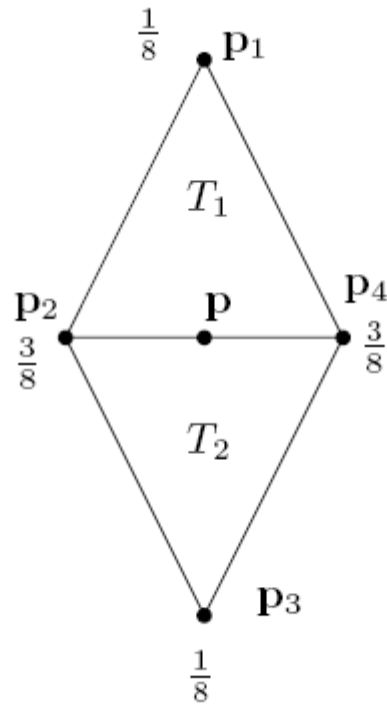
1st Refinement

2nd Refinement



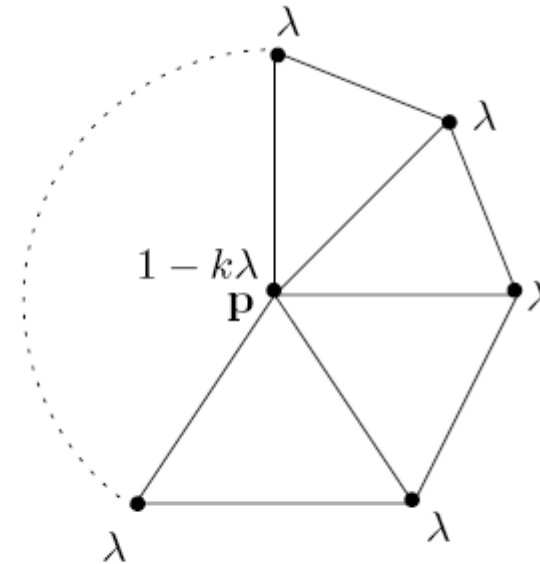
Surface subdivision: Dr Loop scheme

New vertex creation



$$\mathbf{p} = \frac{1}{8}\mathbf{p}_1 + \frac{3}{8}\mathbf{p}_2 + \frac{1}{8}\mathbf{p}_3 + \frac{3}{8}\mathbf{p}_4$$

Vertex relocation



$$\mathbf{p} = (1 - k\lambda)\mathbf{p} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^k N(\mathbf{p}, i)$$

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{5}{8} - \left(\frac{3}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \cos \frac{2\pi}{k} \right)^2 \right)$$

Simplified to

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{16} & k = 3, \\ \frac{3}{8k} & k > 3. \end{cases}$$



SUBDIVISION(\mathcal{M}, k)

1. \triangleleft General subdivision framework \triangleright
2. \triangleleft Depend on whether the scheme is approximating/interpolating and primal/dual \triangleright
3. **for** $e \in \mathcal{M}$
4. **do** \triangleleft for each edge \triangleright
5. Create new vertex using the vertex creation mask
6. \triangleleft Could be several for n -adic subdivision \triangleright
7. **for** $v \in \mathcal{M}$
8. **do** Move original vertex using the vertex displacement mask
9. Reconnect all vertices as a triangular mesh based on \mathcal{M}

Limit position, smoothness properties

$$\lambda_{\infty} = \frac{1}{\frac{3}{8}\lambda + k}$$

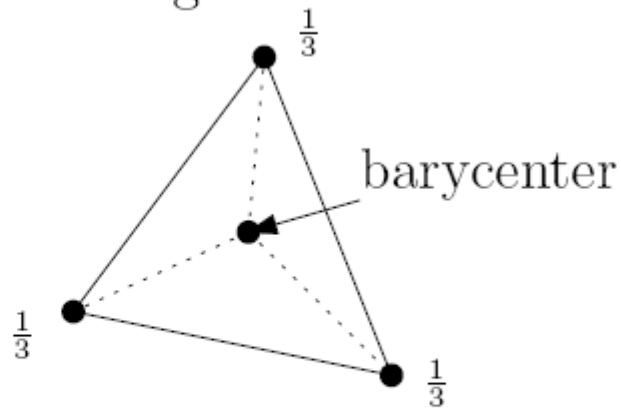


Kobbelt's subdivision (+edge flipping)

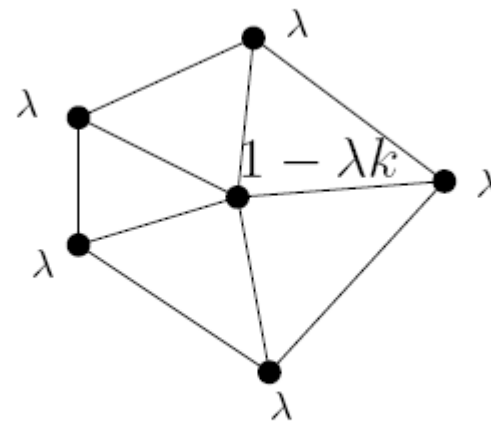
$$\mathbf{p} = (1 - \lambda n)\mathbf{p} + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{|N(\mathbf{p})|} N(\mathbf{p}, i).$$

..... New Edges

$$\lambda = \frac{4 - 2 \cos \frac{2\pi}{n}}{9n}$$

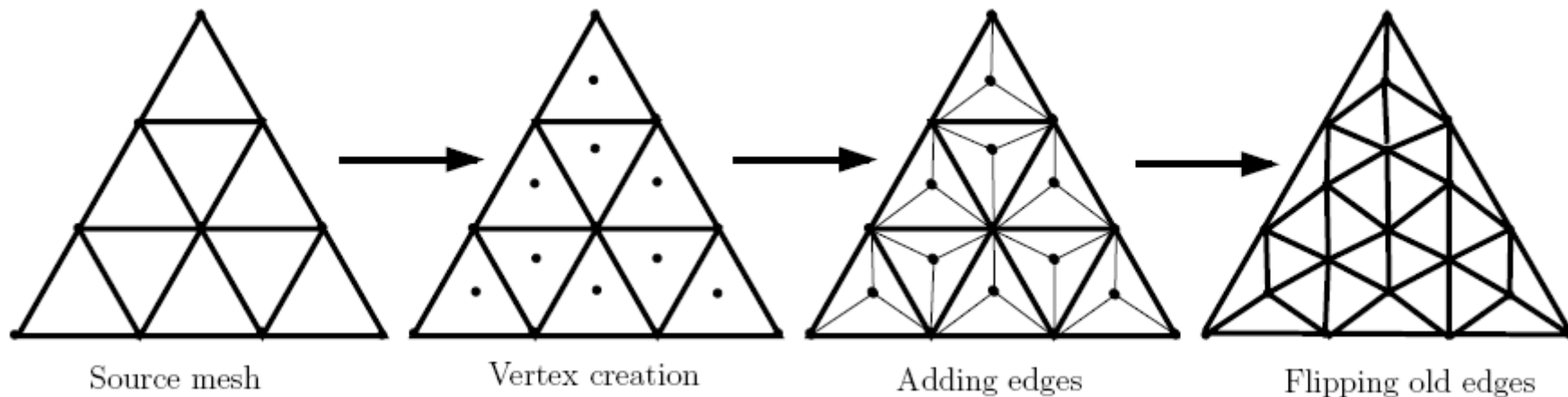


Face Mask



Vertex Mask

FIGURE 5.41 *The face and vertex masks for the $\sqrt{3}$ -subdivision.*



Source mesh

Vertex creation

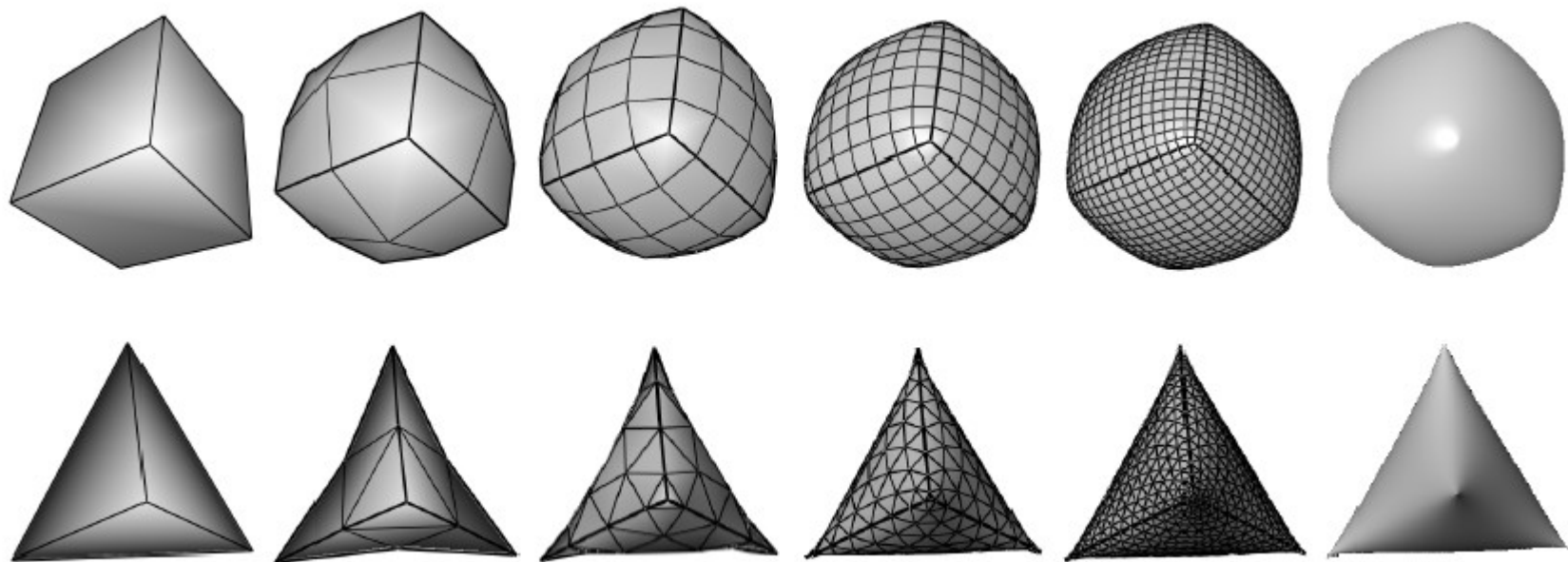
Adding edges

Flipping old edges



Mesh subdivision: Combinatorial explosion !

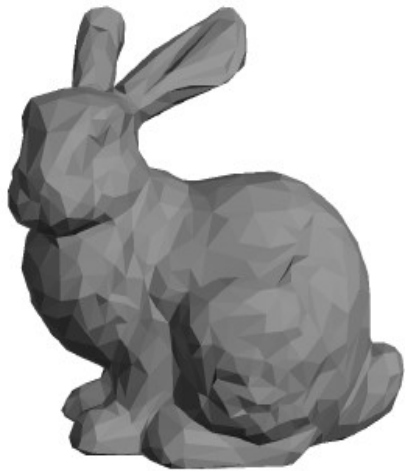
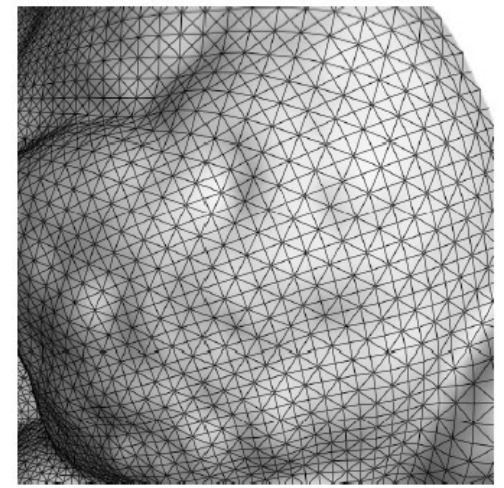
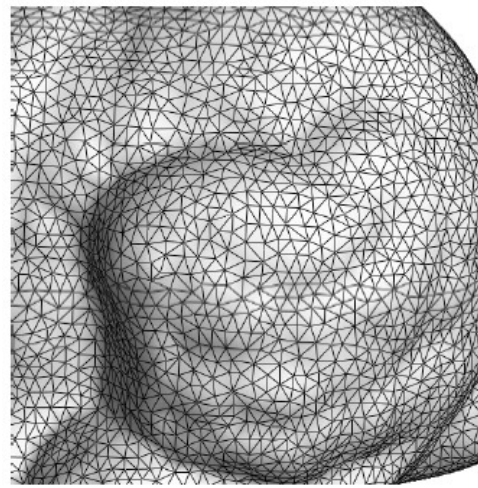
	Cube			Tetrahedron		
Level	#Vertices	#Faces	#Edges	#Vertices	#Faces	#Edges
0	8	6	12	4	4	6
1	26	24	48	10	16	24
2	98	96	192	34	64	96
3	386	384	768	130	256	384
4	1538	1536	3072	514	1024	1536
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
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Remeshing

Decimating mesh

Mesh simplification



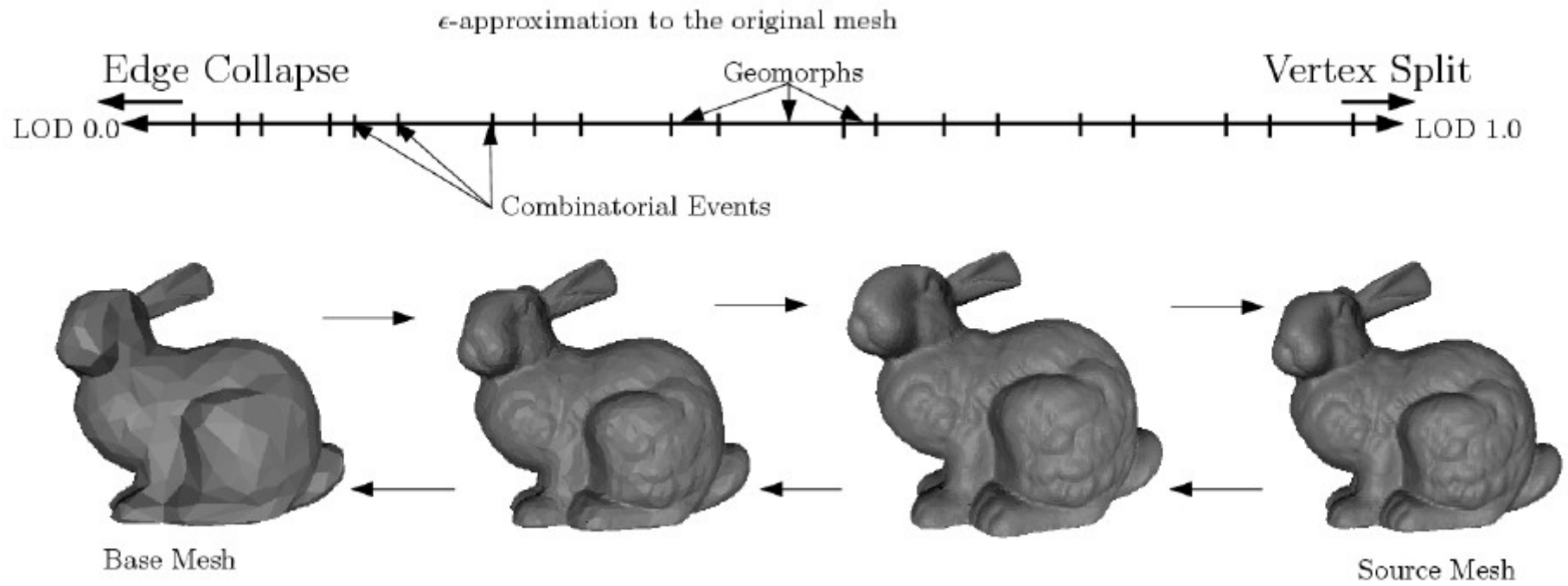
(a)



(b)

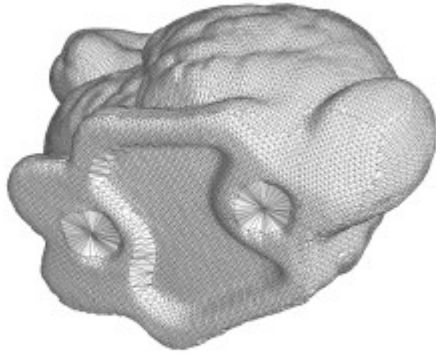


Progressive mesh representations

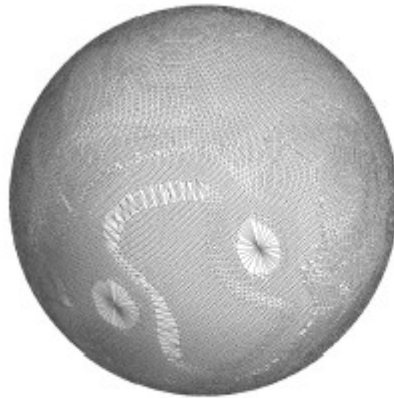


Level of details/streaming...

Parameterization and texture mapping



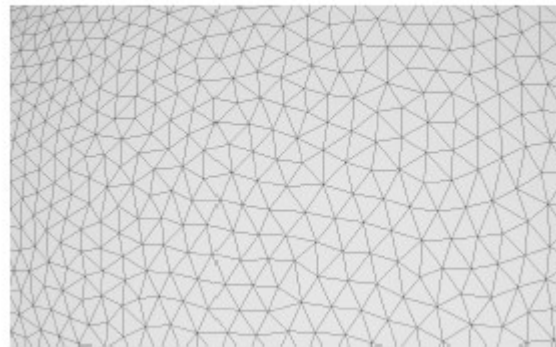
(a)



(b)



(c)

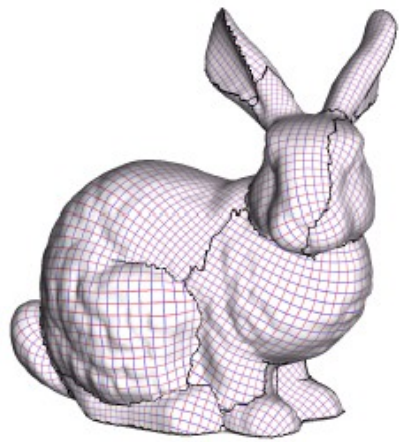


(d)

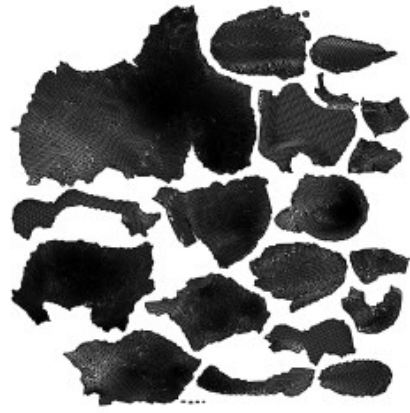
Image texture is 2D



Parameterization and texture mapping



(a)

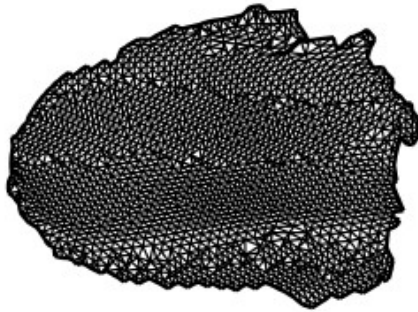


(b)



(c)

Atlas

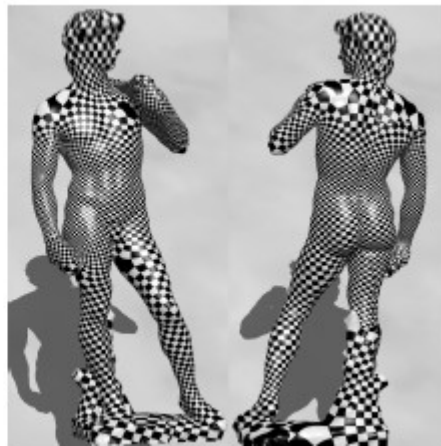


(d)



(e)

Minimize distortion



Conformal mapping
(preserve angles)

H- and V- representations of polytopes

Half-spaces representation

$$P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax \leq b\}$$



Vertex representation (convex hull)

$$\bar{P} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : x = \sum_i \lambda_i x_i, \sum_i \lambda_i = 1, \lambda_i \geq 0\}$$

