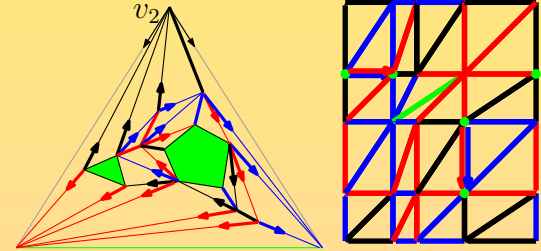
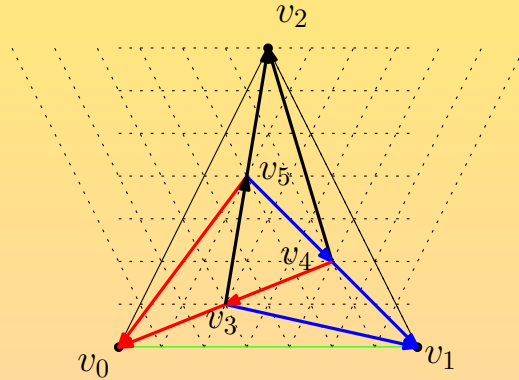
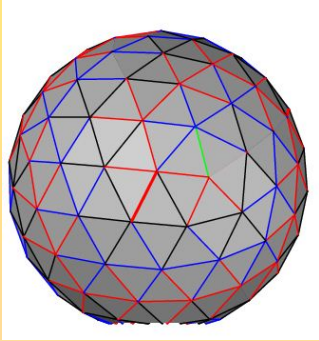


# Array-based compact data structures for triangle meshes



Encuentros de Geometría Computacional, EGC2011

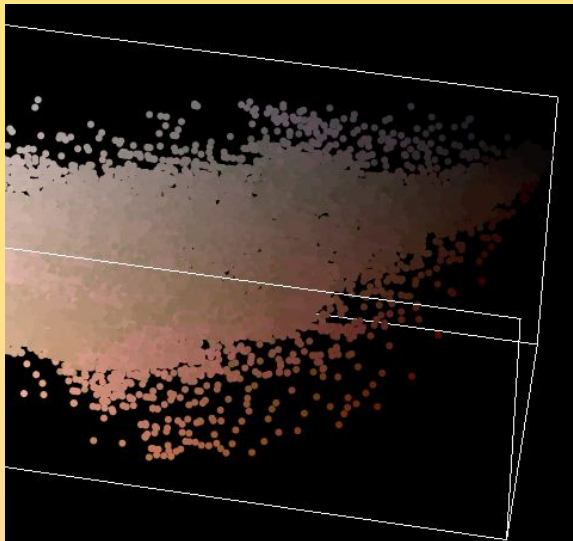
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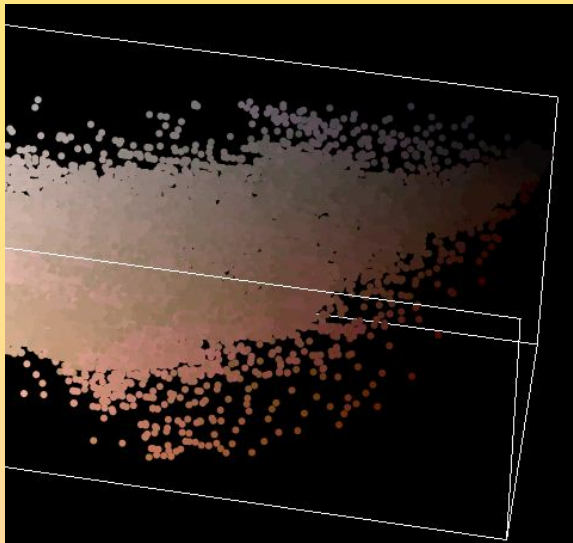




Point Cloud representation of Ferran

Buon Compleanno

Ferran



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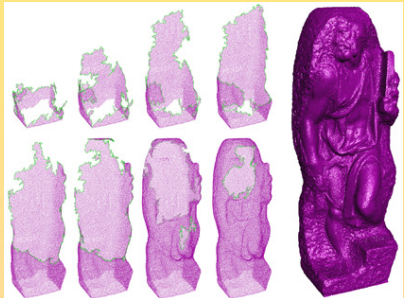


Ferran segmented with  
MeanShift

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Ferran

# Compact Data Structures: motivation and goal

St. Matthew (Stanford's Digital Michelangelo Project, 2000)



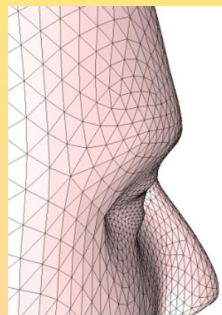
6 Giga bytes (for storing on disk)  
186 millions vertices

David statue (Stanford's Digital Michelangelo Project, 2000)



2 billions polygons  
32 Giga bytes (without compression)

vertex  
triangle

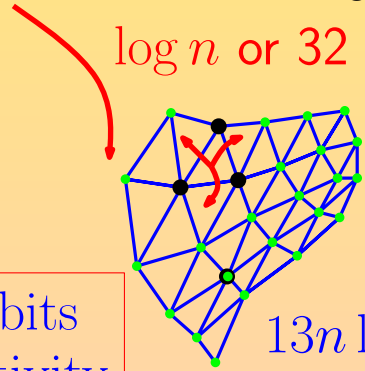


416n bits  
connectivity

Connectivity information

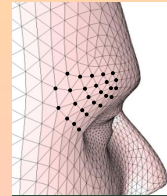
- 1 reference to a triangle
- 3 references to vertices
- 3 references to triangles

log n or 32 bits



13n log n

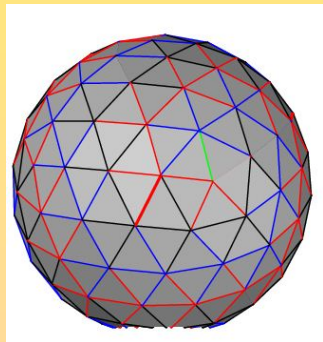
Geometric object



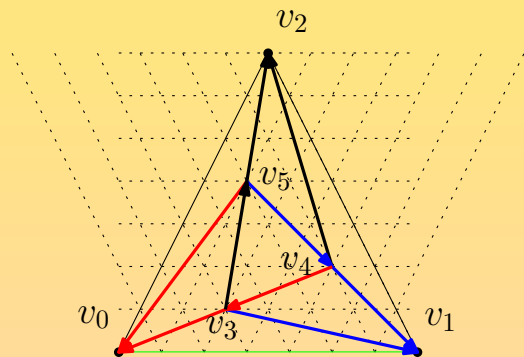
$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

between 30 et 96 bits/vertex

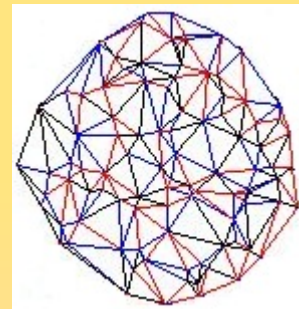
Surface triangle mesh  
endowed with a  
Schnyder wood



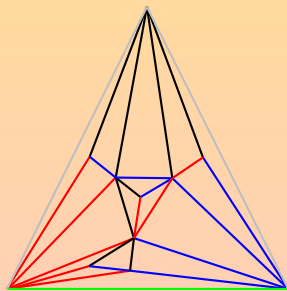
## (planar) Triangle meshes



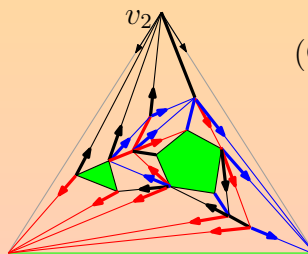
Schnyder drawing of a planar  
triangulation



Delaunay triangulation of random  
points (endowed with a Schnyder wood)

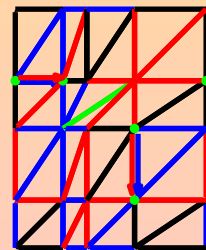


Tutte drawing of a random  
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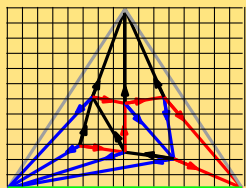


Schnyder woods for triangulations with  
multiple boundaries of arbitrary size  
(Castelli-Fusy-Lewiner, CCCG2010)

$g$ -Schnyder woods, for  
genus  $g$  triangulations  
(Castelli-Fusy-Lewiner, SoCG08)



# Graph planarity characterizations

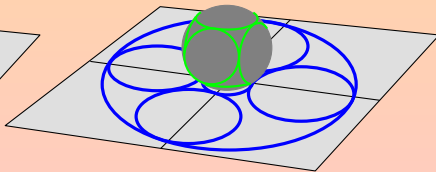
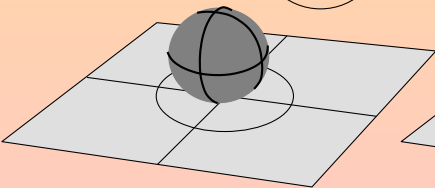
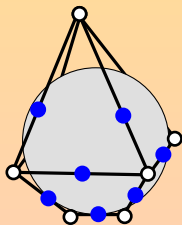
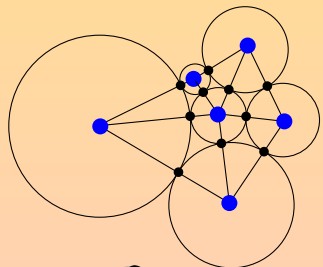


**Schnyder woods** (via dimension of partial orders)

- $\dim(G) \leq 3$

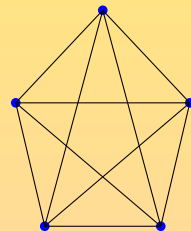
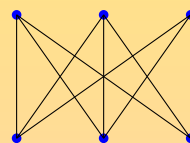
**Thm (Koebe-Andreev-Thurston)**

*Every planar graph with  $n$  vertices is isomorphic to the intersection graph of  $n$  disks in the plane.*

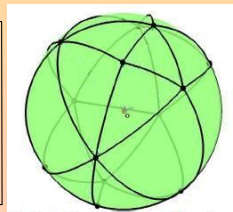


**Kuratowski theorem** (excluded minors)

- $G$  contains neither  $K_5$  nor  $K_{3,3}$  as minors



$$\begin{bmatrix} M \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{matrix} \xi_x \\ \xi_y \\ \xi_z \end{matrix}
 \begin{matrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{matrix}
 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}
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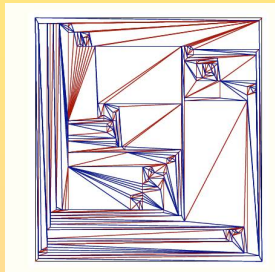
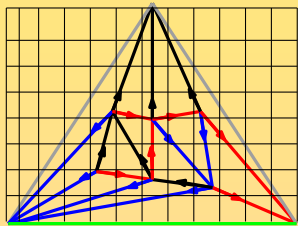


**Colin de Verdiere invariant** (multiplicity of  $\lambda_2$  eigenvalue of a generalized laplacian)

- $\mu(G) \leq 3$

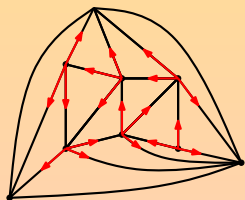
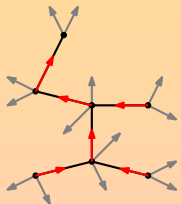
# Schnyder woods: applications (and related properties)

## grid drawing



## graph counting, random generation

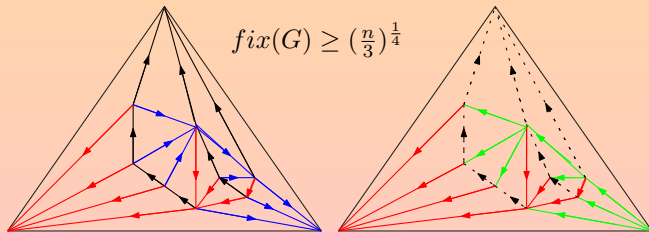
(Poulalhon-Schaeffer, Icalp 03)



## Untangling geometric graphs

Bose, Dujmovic, Hurtado, Langerman, Morin, Wood (DCG 2009)

$$\text{fix}(G) \geq \left(\frac{n}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$



## Graph encoding

(Chuang-Garg-He-Kao-Lu Icalp '98)

(He-Kao-Lu '99)

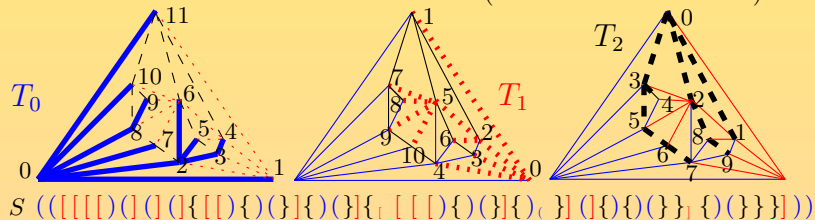
(Chiang et al. Soda'01)

(Barbay-Castelli Aleardi-He-Munro Isaac'07)

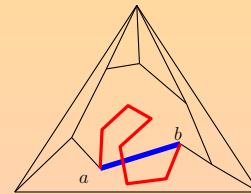
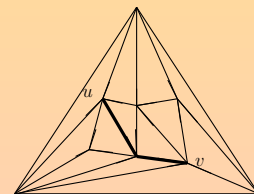
(Castelli Aleardi-Fusy-Lewiner SoCG08)

(Castelli Aleardi-Fusy-Lewiner CCCG'10)

(Yamanaka-Nakano '08)



## Greedy routing



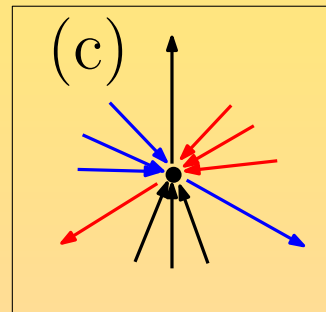
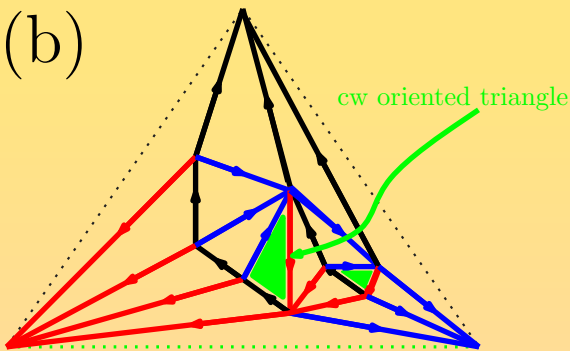
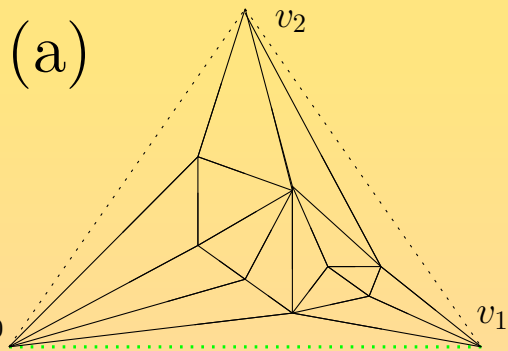
Every planar triangulation admits a *greedy drawing* (Dhandapani, Soda08)

Conjectured by Papadimitriou and Ratajczak for 3-connected planar graphs



# Schnyder woods: the definition

$v_0$   $v_1$   $v_2$  outer face



i) edge are colored and oriented in such a way that each inner node has exactly one outgoing edge of each color

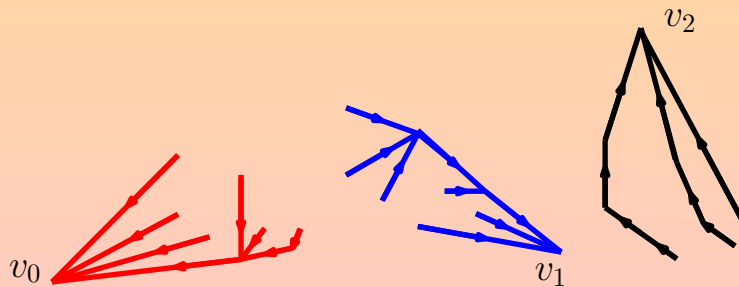
ii) colors and orientations around each inner node must respect the local Schnyder condition

## Theorem

Every planar triangulation admits a Schnyder wood, which can be computed in linear time.

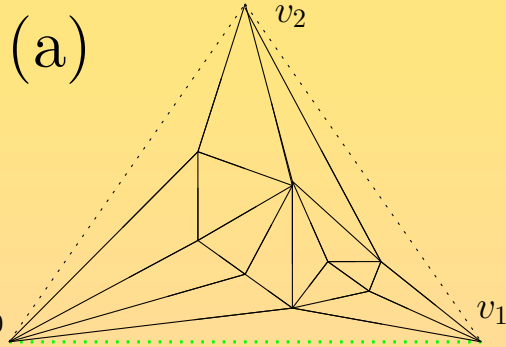
## Theorem

The three set  $T_0$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  are spanning trees of (the inner nodes of)  $T$ :

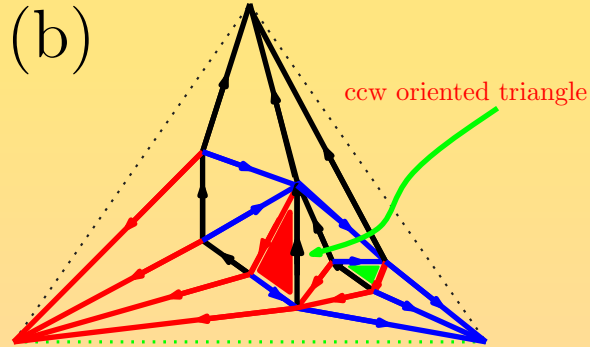


# minimal Schnyder woods: the definition (no ccw triangles)

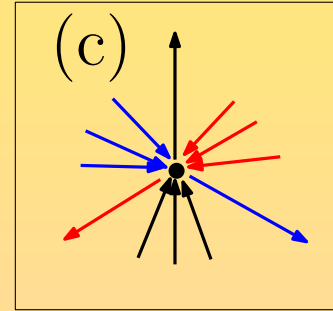
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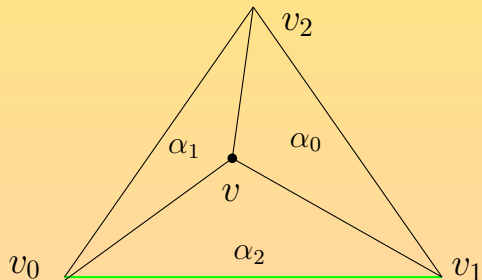


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# Schnyder woods and (planar) barycentric coordinates

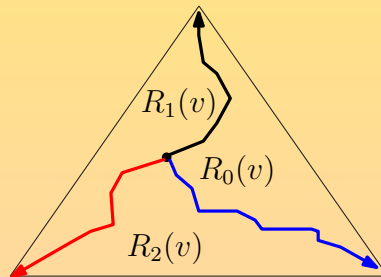
Geometric interpretation of barycentric coordinates



$$v = \alpha_0 v_0 + \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2$$

$$v = \frac{\text{area}(v, v_1, v_2)v_0 + \text{area}(v_0, v, v_2)v_1 + \text{area}(v_0, v_1, v)v_2}{\text{area}(v_0, v_1, v_2)}$$

Combinatorial interpretation



$$v = \frac{R_0}{2n-5} v_0 + \frac{R_1}{2n-5} v_1 + \frac{R_2}{2n-5} v_2$$

$R_i(v)$  := number of triangles in region  $i$

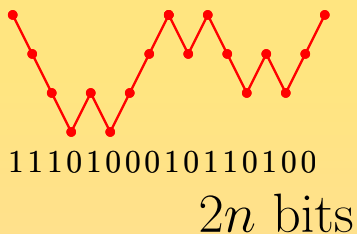
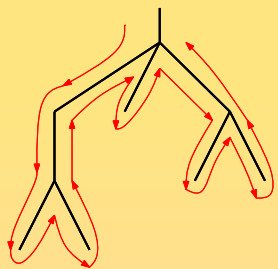
## Theorem (Schnyder, Soda '90)

For a triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  having  $n$  vertices, we can draw it on a grid of size  $(2n - 5) \times (2n - 5)$ , by setting  $v_0 = (2n - 5, 0)$ ,  $v_1 = (0, 0)$  and  $v_2 = (0, 2n - 5)$ .

# Several kinds of encodings: plane trees

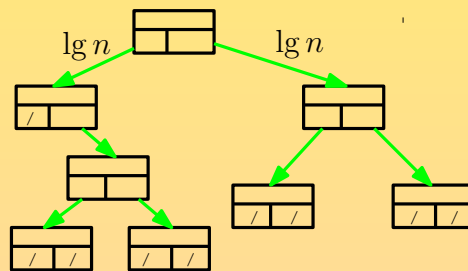
compression schemes

(Explicit) data structures

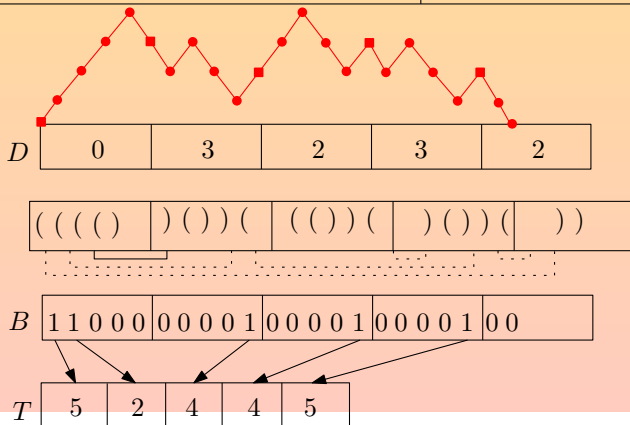
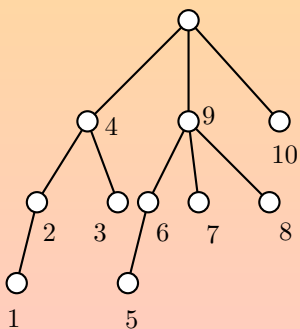


$$\|\mathcal{B}_n\| = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} \approx 2^{2n} n^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\log_2 \|\mathcal{B}_n\| = 2n + O(\lg n)$$



we need  $2n$  references, or  $\Theta(n \lg n)$  bits



## Succinct representations

(Jacobson Focs89, Munro and Raman Focs97)

$2n + o(n)$  bits

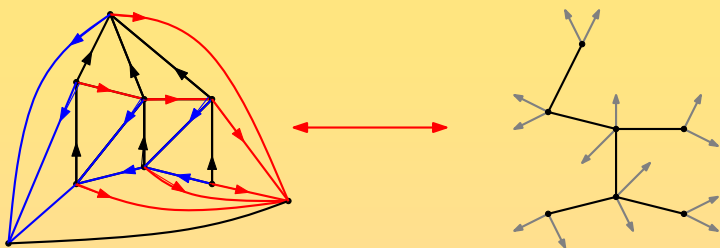
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$O(1)$  time navigation

# Several kinds of encodings: triangle meshes

## Optimal compression scheme

(Poulalhon Schaeffer, Icalp03)

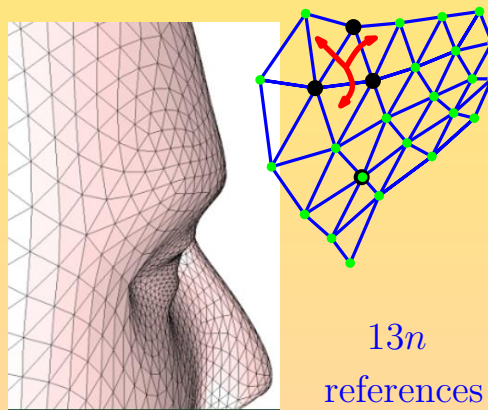


$$\Psi_n = \frac{2(4n+1)!}{(3n+2)!(n+1)!} \approx \frac{16}{27} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} n^{-5/2} \left(\frac{256}{27}\right)^n$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \log_2 \Psi_n \approx \log_2 \left(\frac{256}{27}\right) \approx 3.2451 \text{ bits/vertex}$$

## (Explicit) Geometric data structures

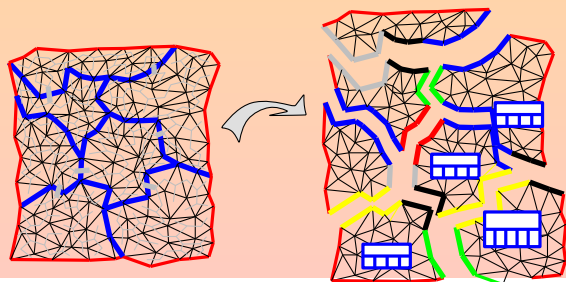
$\beta n + O(1)$  references (pointers)



$$2 \times n \times 6 \times \log n + n \times 1 \times \log n$$

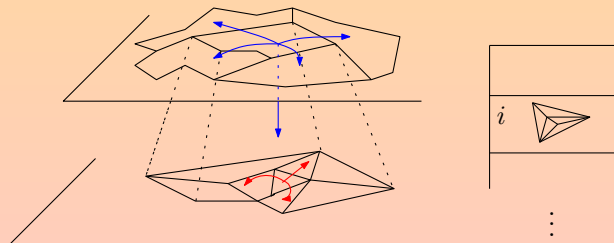
13n references or 13n log n bits

$$3.2451n + O\left(n \frac{n \log \log n}{\log n}\right) = 3.2451n + o(n) \text{ bits}$$

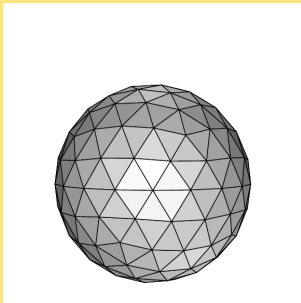


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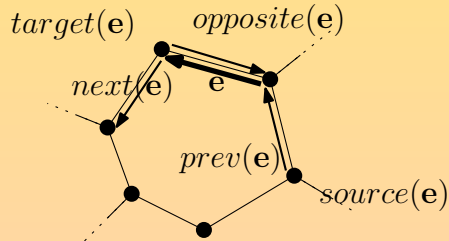
(Castelli Aleardi- Devillers-Schaeffer, WADS05, SoCG06)



# Popular mesh data structures



Data structure	references	navigation	vertex access	dynamic
Edge-based data structures [17, 3, 4]	$18n + n$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	<i>yes</i>
triangle based [7]/Corner Table	$12n + n$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	<i>yes</i>
Directed edge [9]	$12n + n$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	<i>yes</i>
2D catalogs [10]	$7.67n$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	<i>yes</i>
Star vertices [20]	$7n$	$O(d)$	$O(1)$	<i>no</i>
TRIPOD [25] + reordering / Thm 1	$6n$	$O(1)$	$O(d)$	<i>no</i>
SOT data structure [19]	$6n$	$O(1)$	$O(d)$	<i>no</i>
SQUAD data structure [18]	$(4 + c)n$	$O(1)$	$O(d)$	<i>no</i>
(no vertex reordering) Thm 2	$5n$	$O(1)$	$O(d)$	<i>no</i>
(with vertex reordering) Thm 3	$4n$	$O(1)$	$O(d)$	<i>no</i>
(with vertex reordering) Cor 3	$6n$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	<i>no</i>



## Half-edge

```
class Point{
  float x;
  float y;
  float z;
}
```

geometry

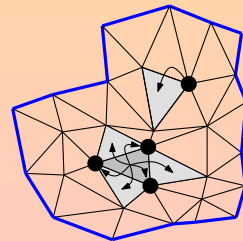
```
class Halfedge{
  Halfedge prev, next, opposite;
  Vertex source, target;
  Face f;
}
class Vertex{
  Halfedge e;
  Point p;
}
```

connectivity

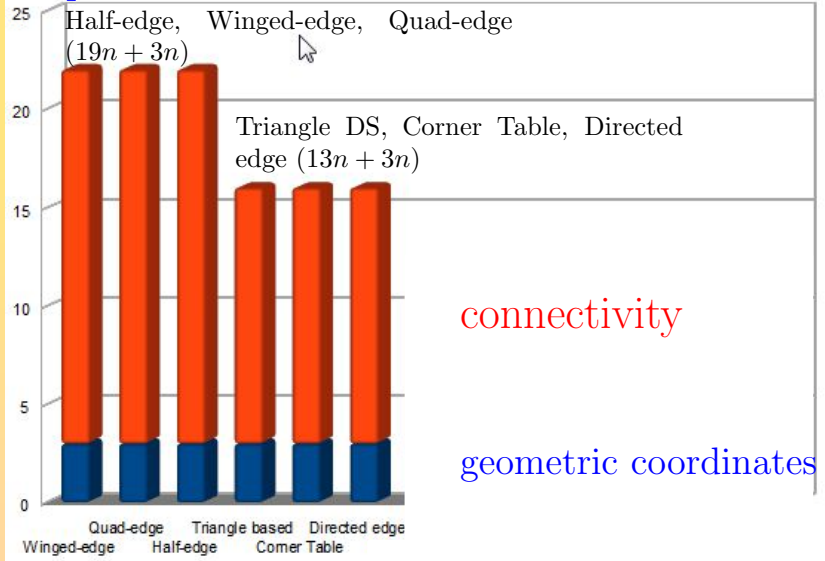
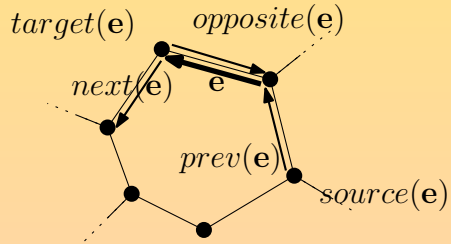
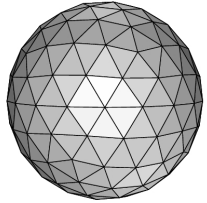
## Triangle-based

```
class Triangle{
  Triangle t1, t2, t3;
  Vertex v1, v2, v3;
}
class Vertex{
  Triangle root;
  Point p;
}
```

```
class Point{
  float x;
  float y;
  float z;
}
```



# Popular mesh data structures: space requirements



## Half-edge

```
class Point{
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  float z;
}
```

geometry

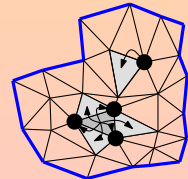
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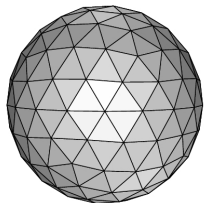
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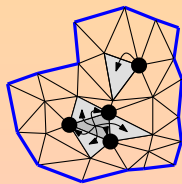
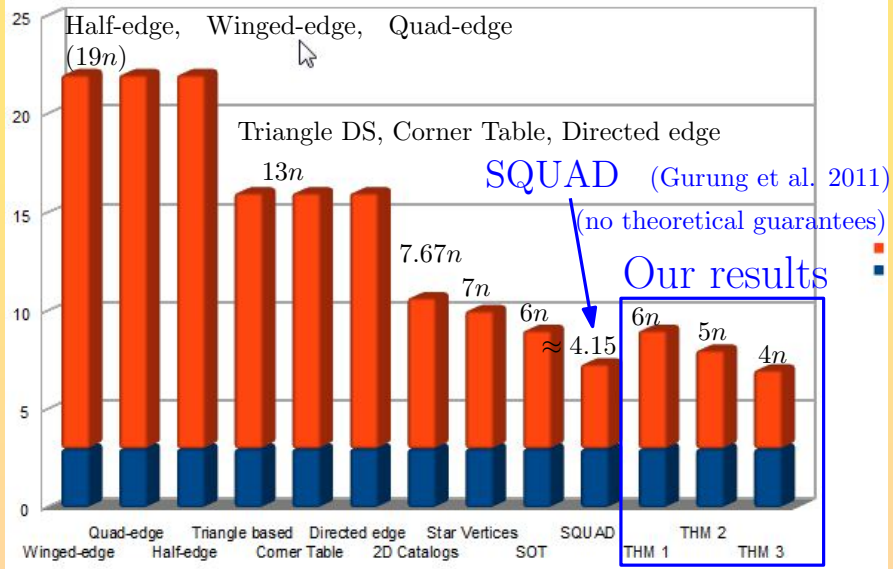
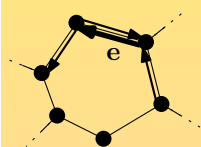
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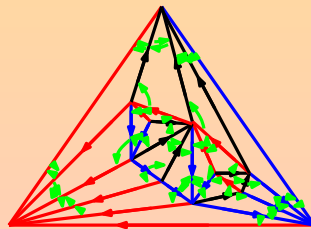
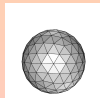
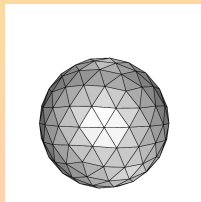
# Non compact vs. compact mesh data structures



Half-edge



Triangle-based DS



Our compact DS with minimal Schnyder woods



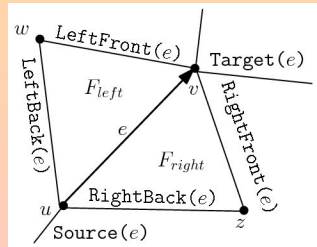
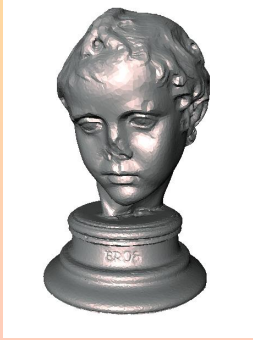
# Experimental comparison



Winged edge vs. Our Compact DS

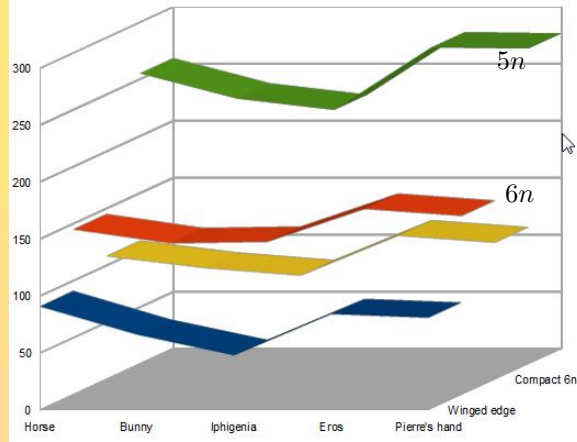
1.2 - 1.9 times slower

Tested on 3D models and random planar triangulations

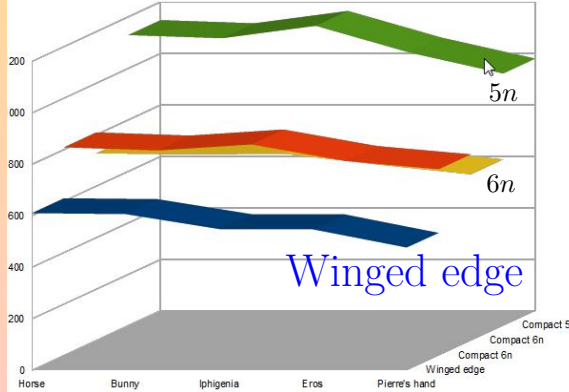


1.19 - 1.35 times slower

(timings are expressed in nanoseconds/vertex)  
vertex degree (only topological navigation)



vertex normals (navigation + geometric computations)



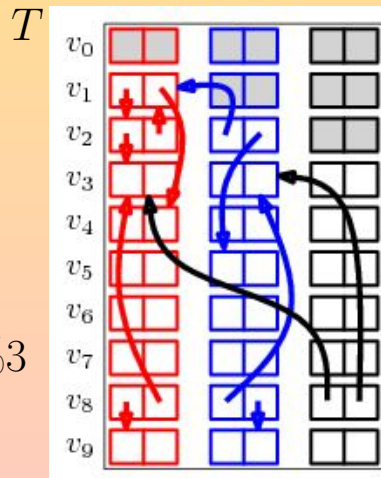
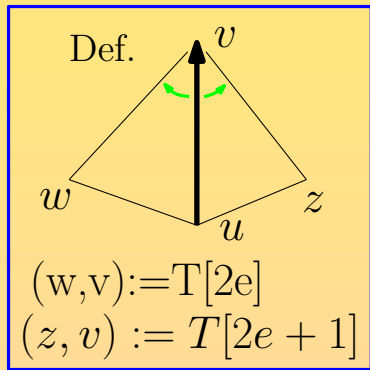
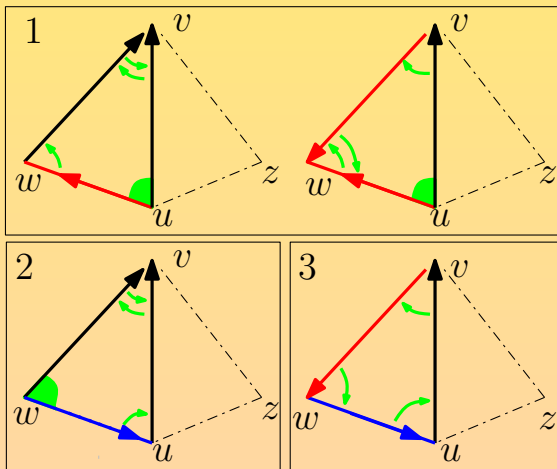
# Thm1: Compact DS (6n references)

$$e := (u, v) \quad 0 \leq v \leq n - 1$$

$$0 \leq e \leq 3n$$

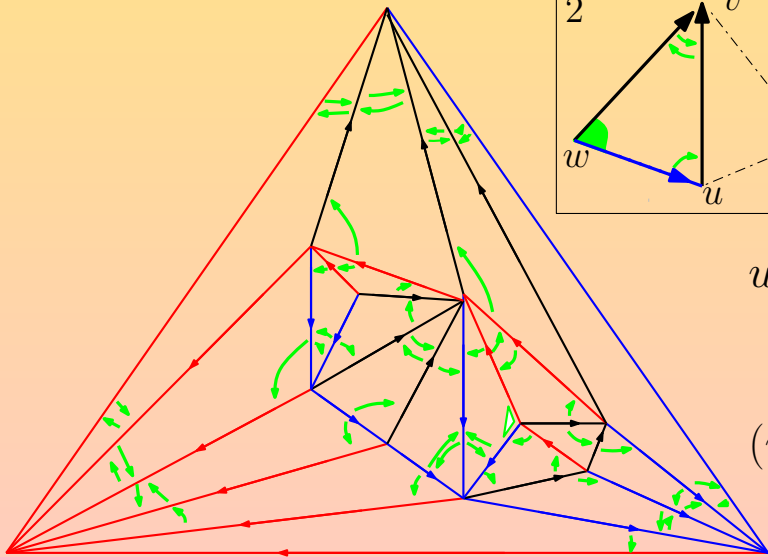
Simple solution: redundant and "simple to implement"

"sorted variant" of TRIPOD DS  
(Snoeyink-Speckmann, 1999)



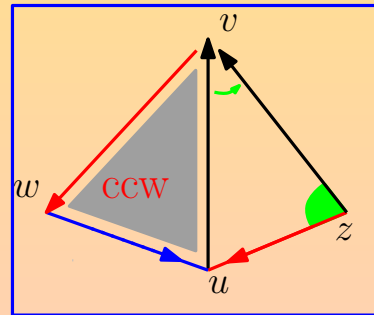
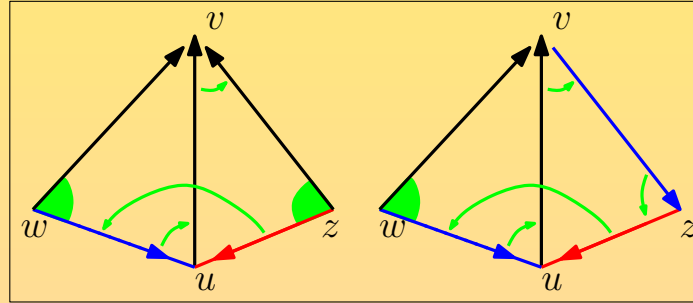
$$u := \text{source}(e) = e/3$$

$$(w, u) := \begin{cases} (e + 1) \% 3 \\ (T[e] + 2) \% 3 \\ T[T[e]] \end{cases}$$

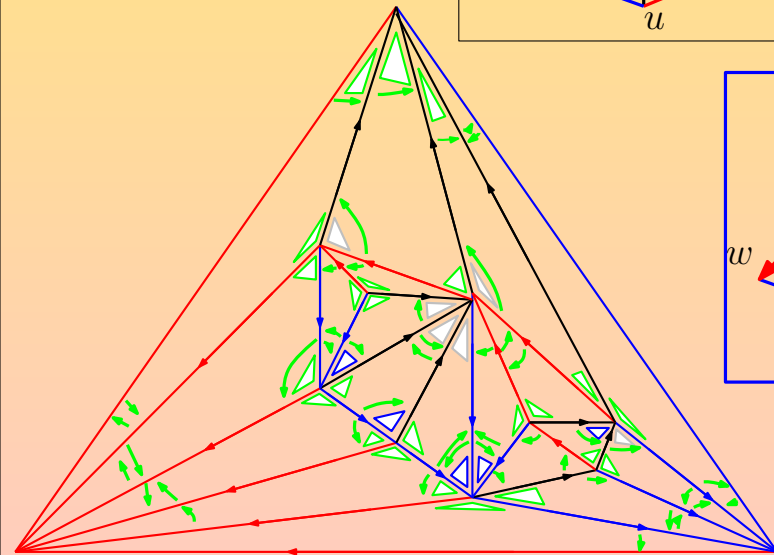
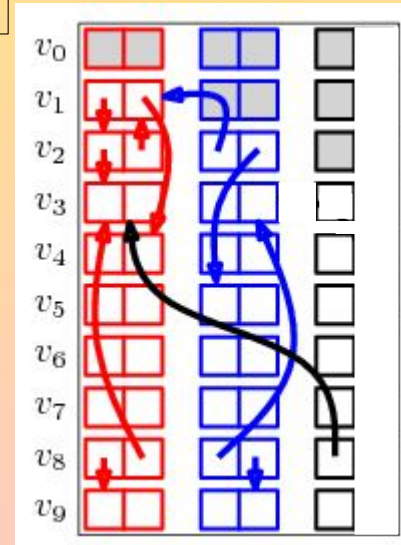


# Thm2: More compact DS (5n references)

more compact solution: less redundant and "more difficult to implement"

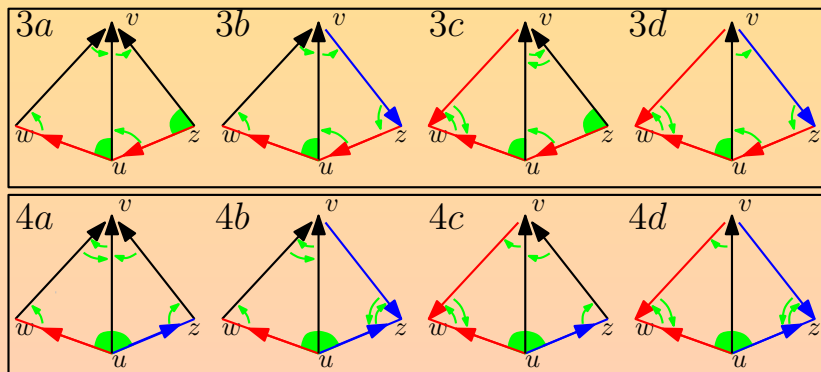
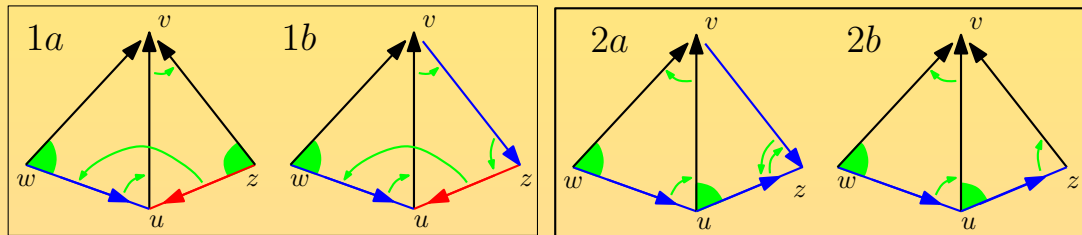


forbidden case

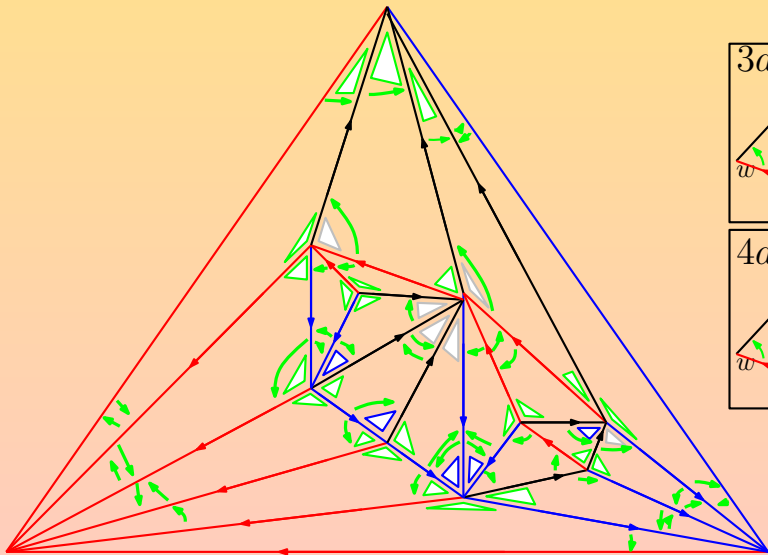


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long and tedious case analysis  
for the the black edges  
(similar case analysis for the other two colors)



# Thm3: our most compact DS (4n references)

still more compact with vertex reordering

use the *DFUDS* (Depth First Unary Degree Sequence) order on  $\overline{T}_0$

