

11.1 Remeshing



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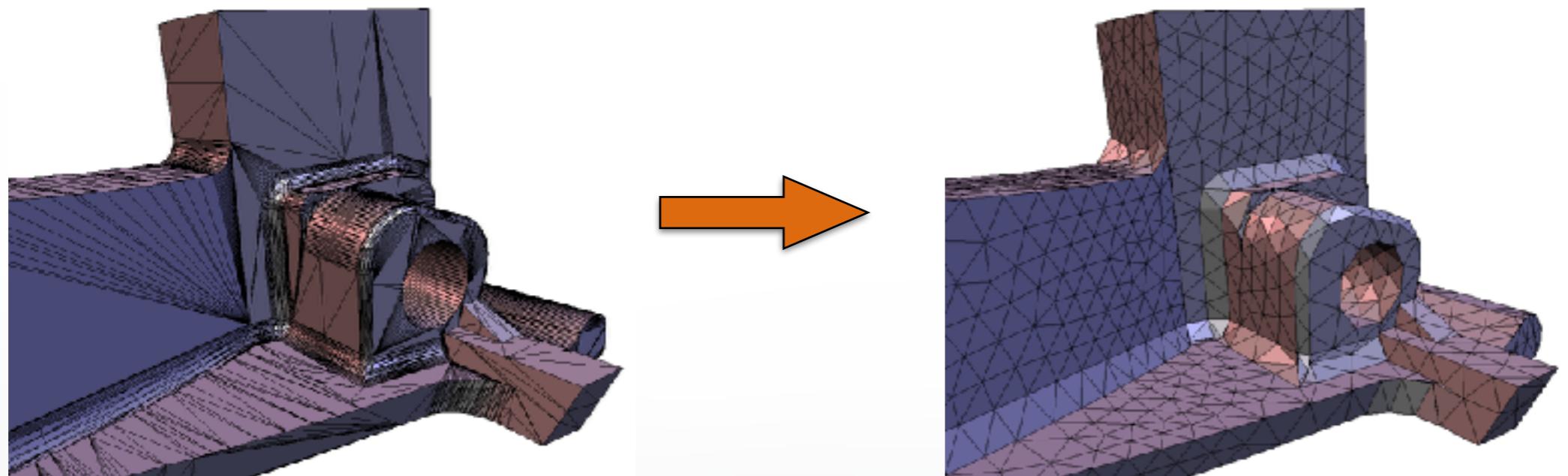
Definition

Given a 3D mesh

- Already a manifold mesh

Compute another mesh

- Satisfy some quality requirements
- Approximate well the input mesh



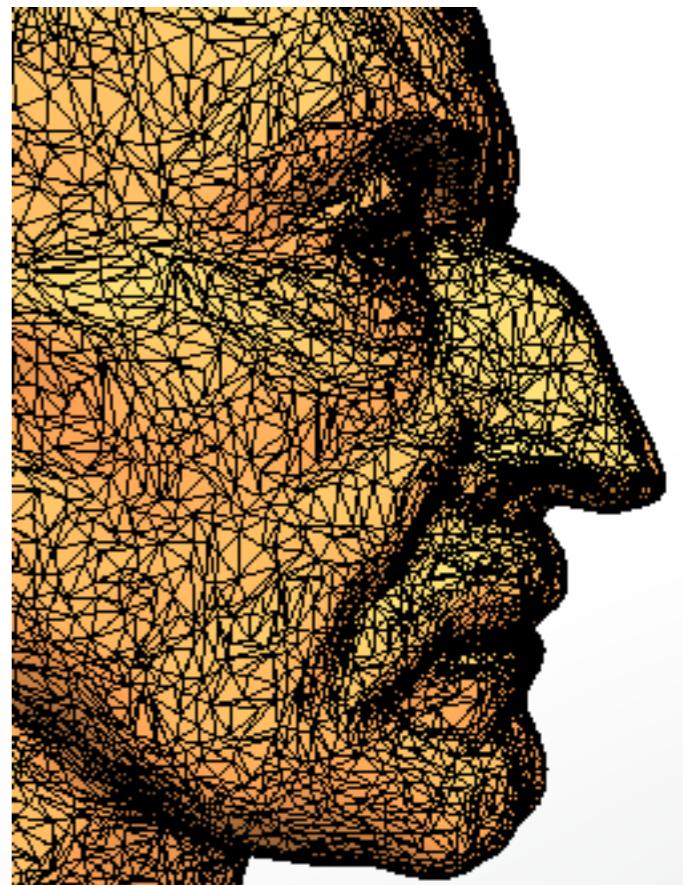
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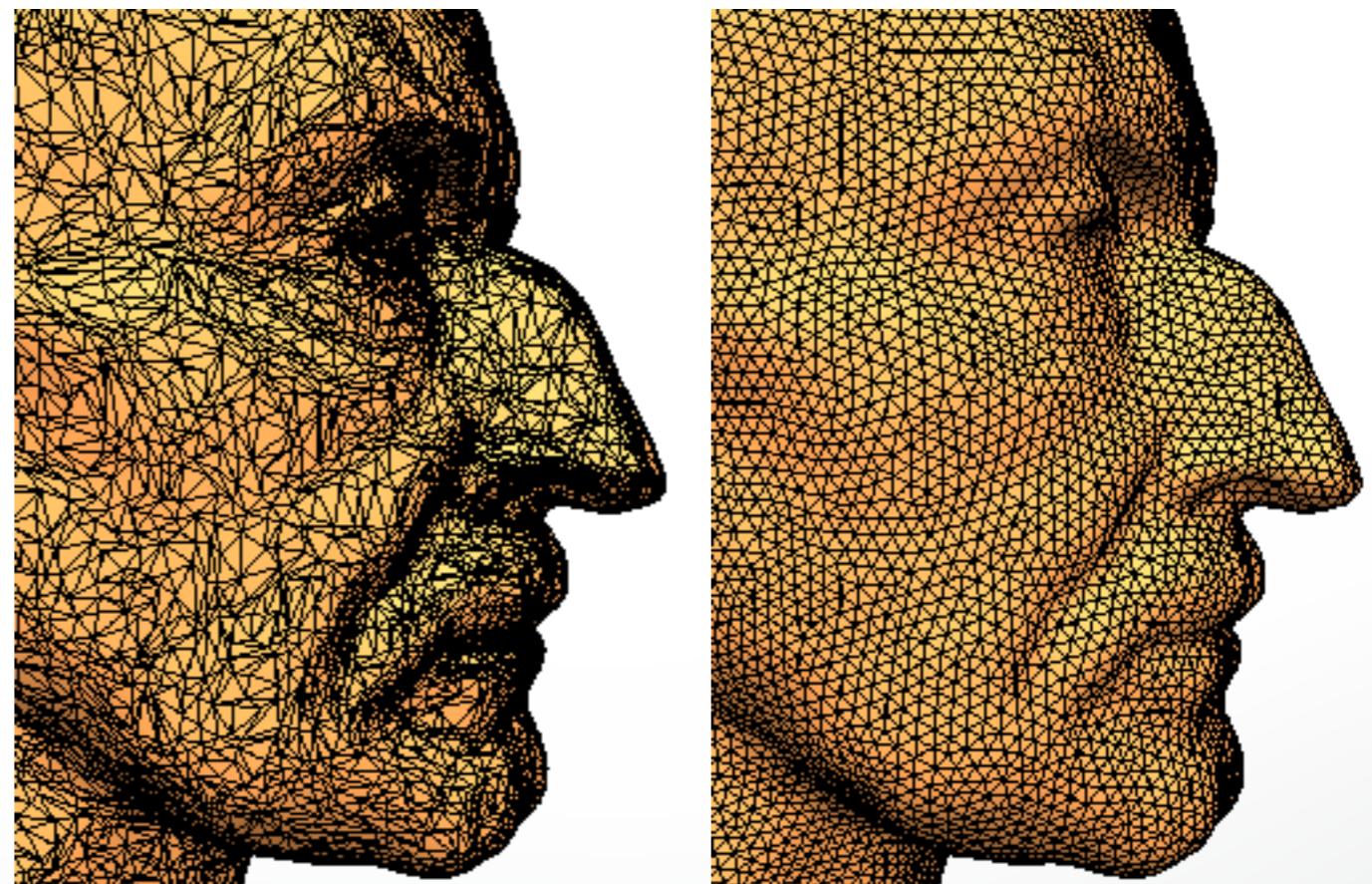


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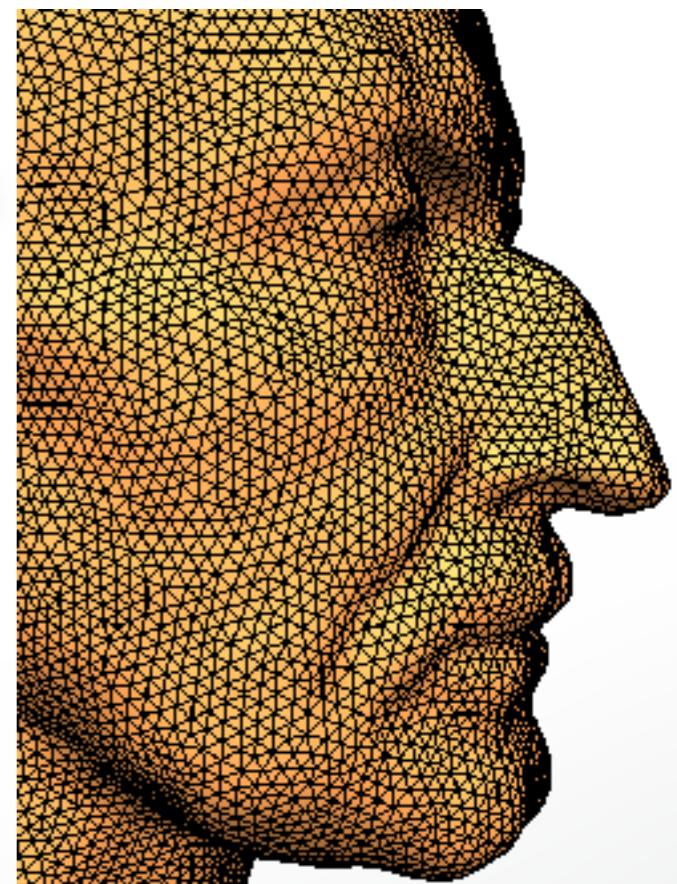
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Improve mesh quality for further use

- Modeling: easy processing
- Simulation: numerical robustness
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Quality requirements

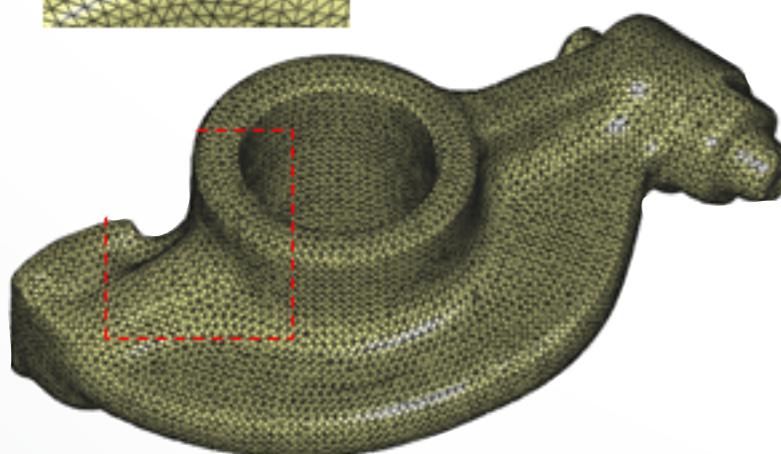
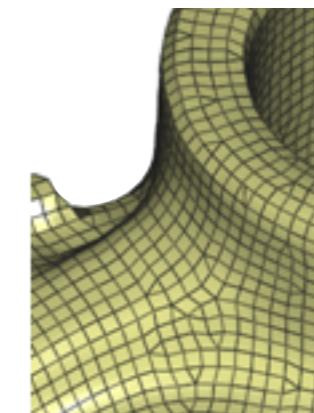
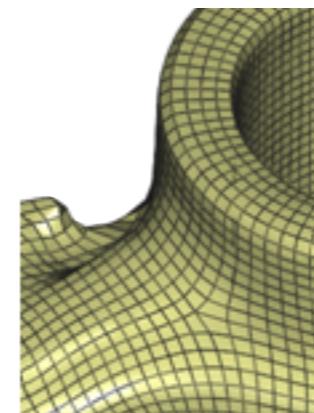
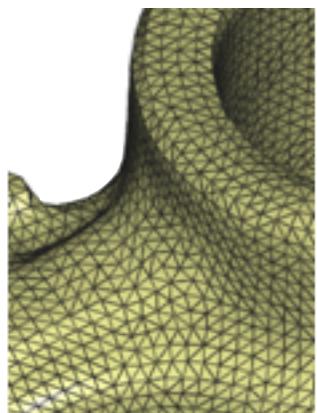
- Local structure
- Global structure



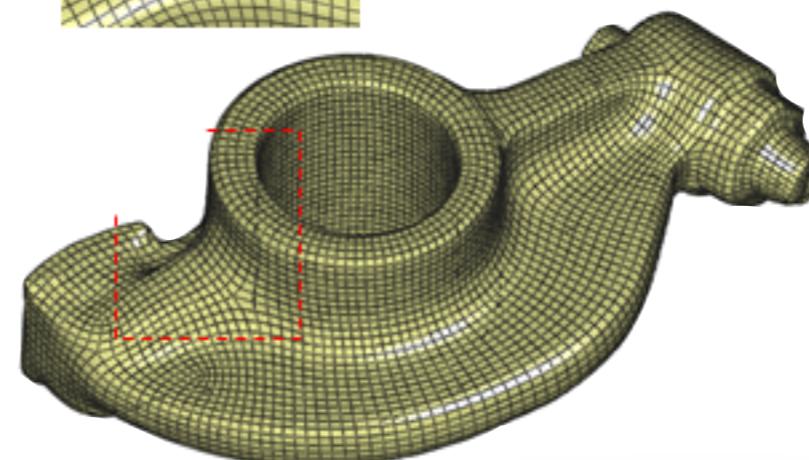
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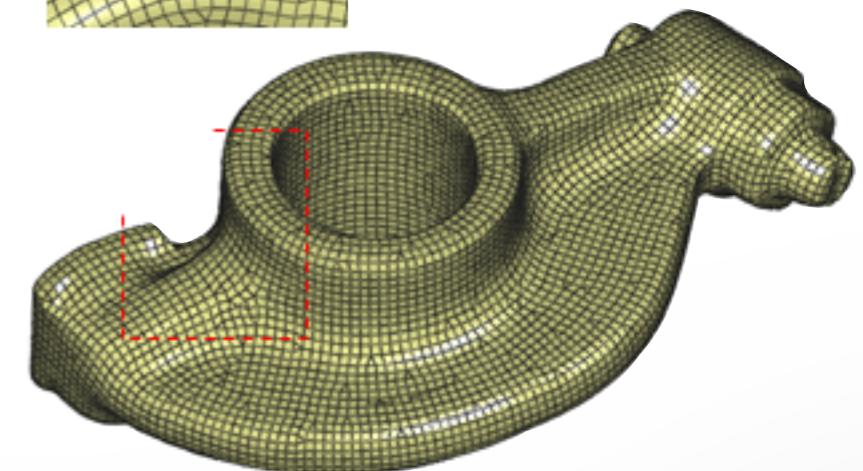
- Triangles vs. quadrangles



all-triangle mesh



all-quad mesh

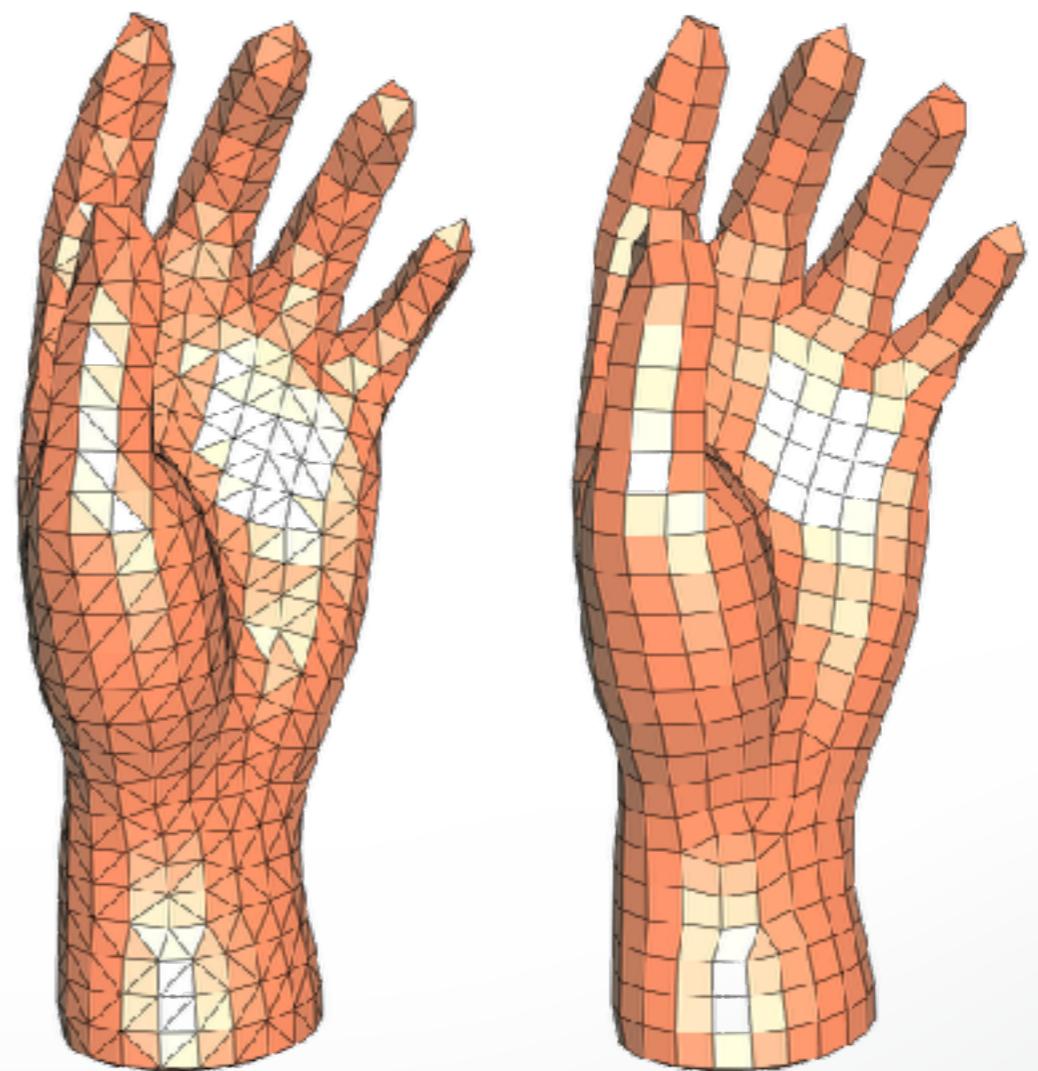


quad-dominant mesh

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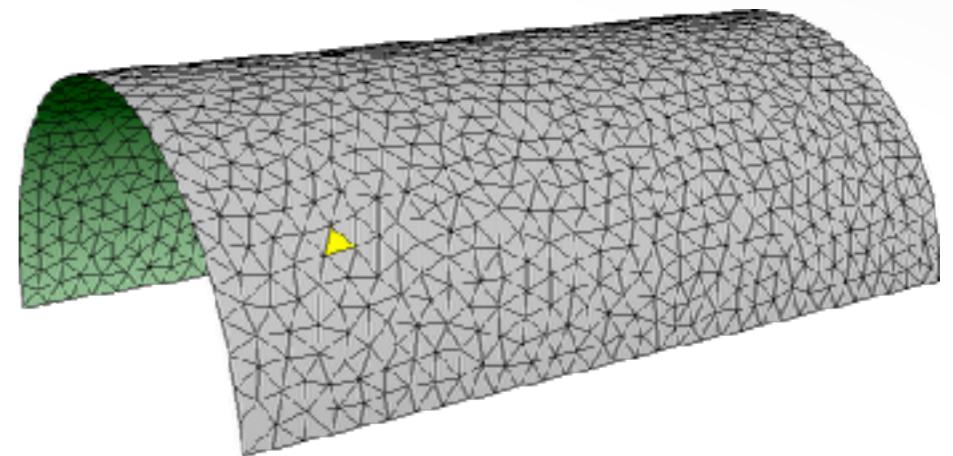
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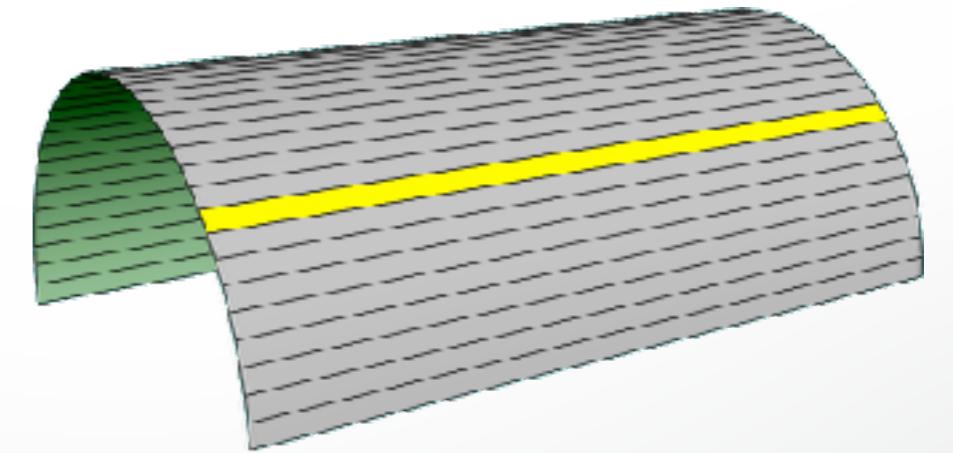
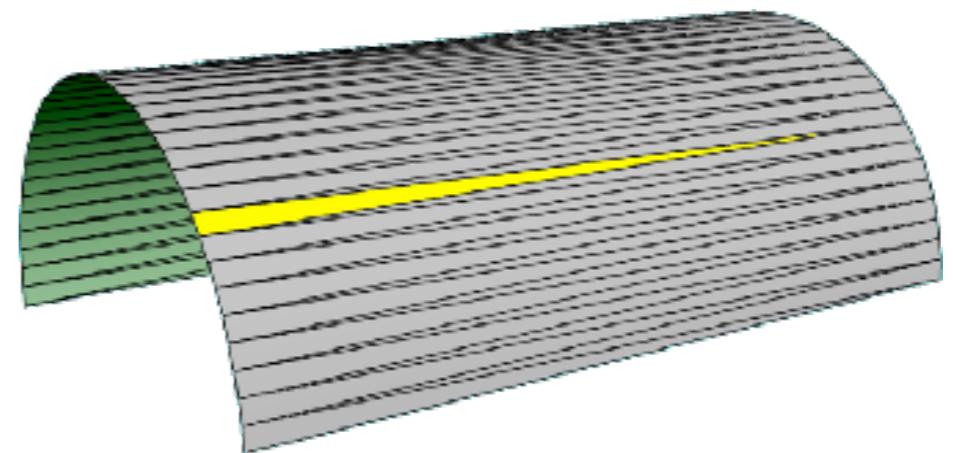
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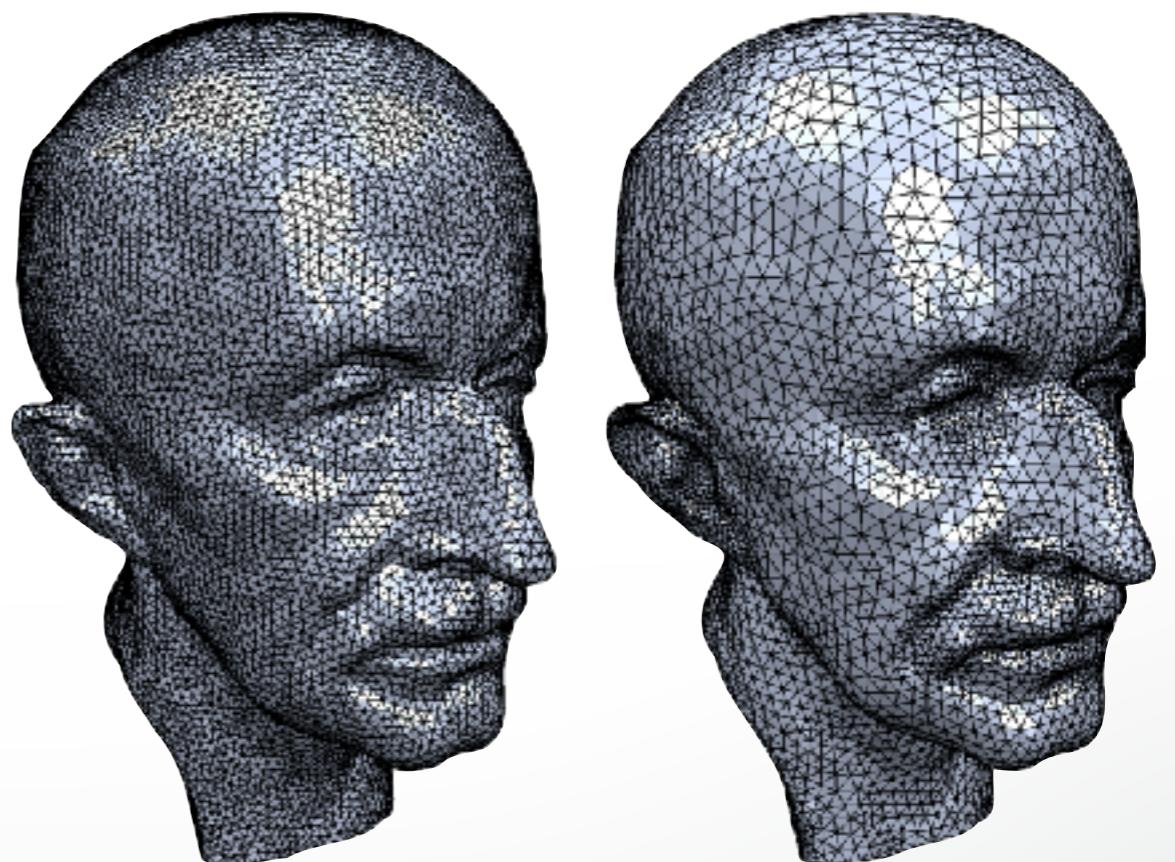
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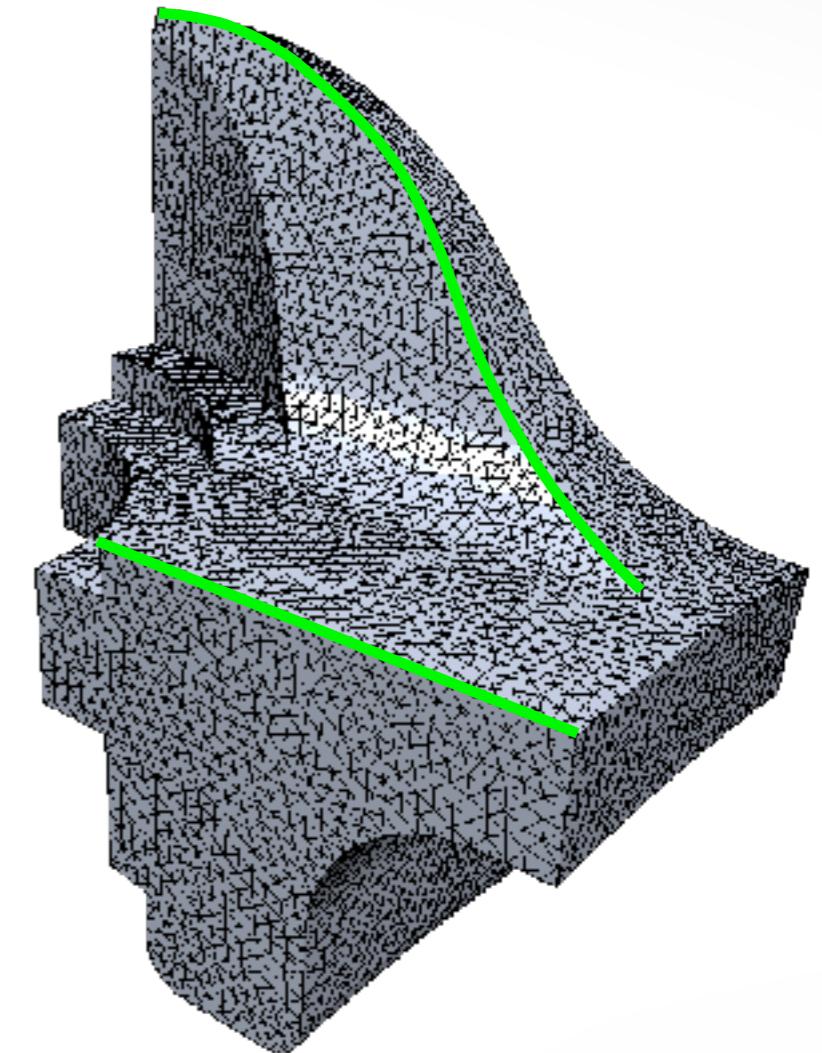
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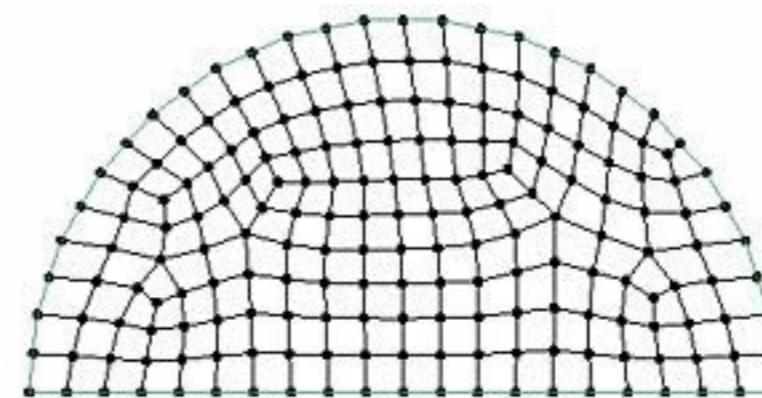
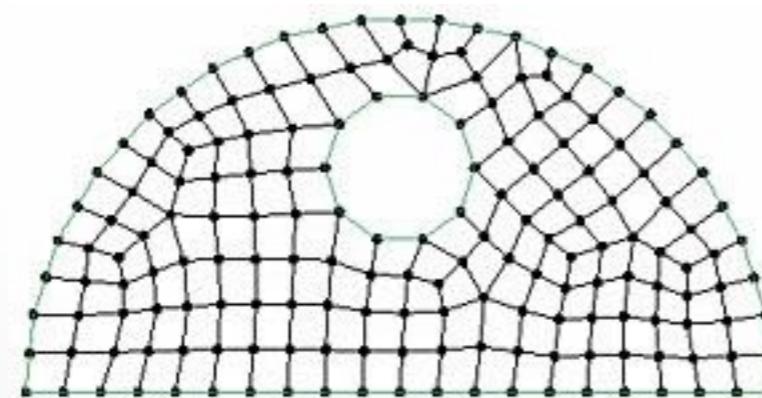
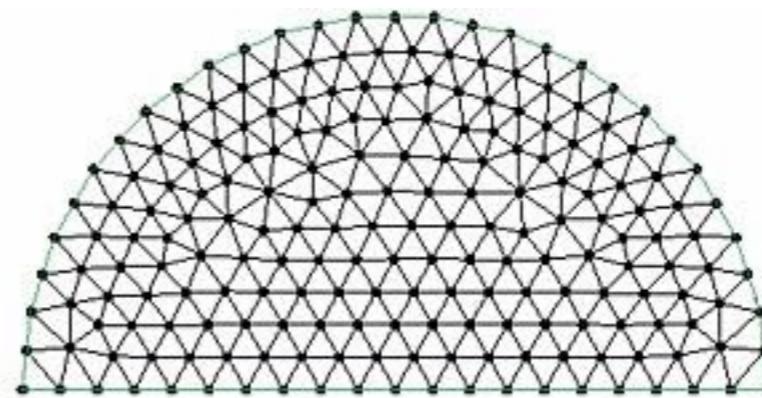
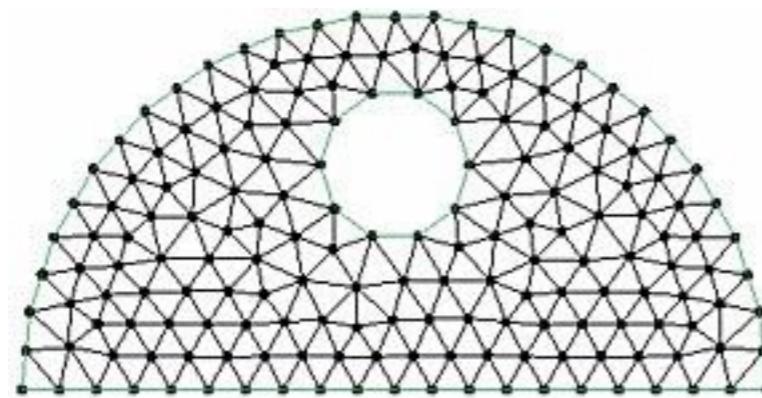
- Preserve sharp features and curvature lines



Global structure

Valence of a *regular* vertex

| | Interior vertex | Boundary vertex |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
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Different types of mesh structure

- Irregular
- Semi-regular: multi-resolution analysis / modeling
- Highly regular: numerical simulation
- Regular: only possible for special models

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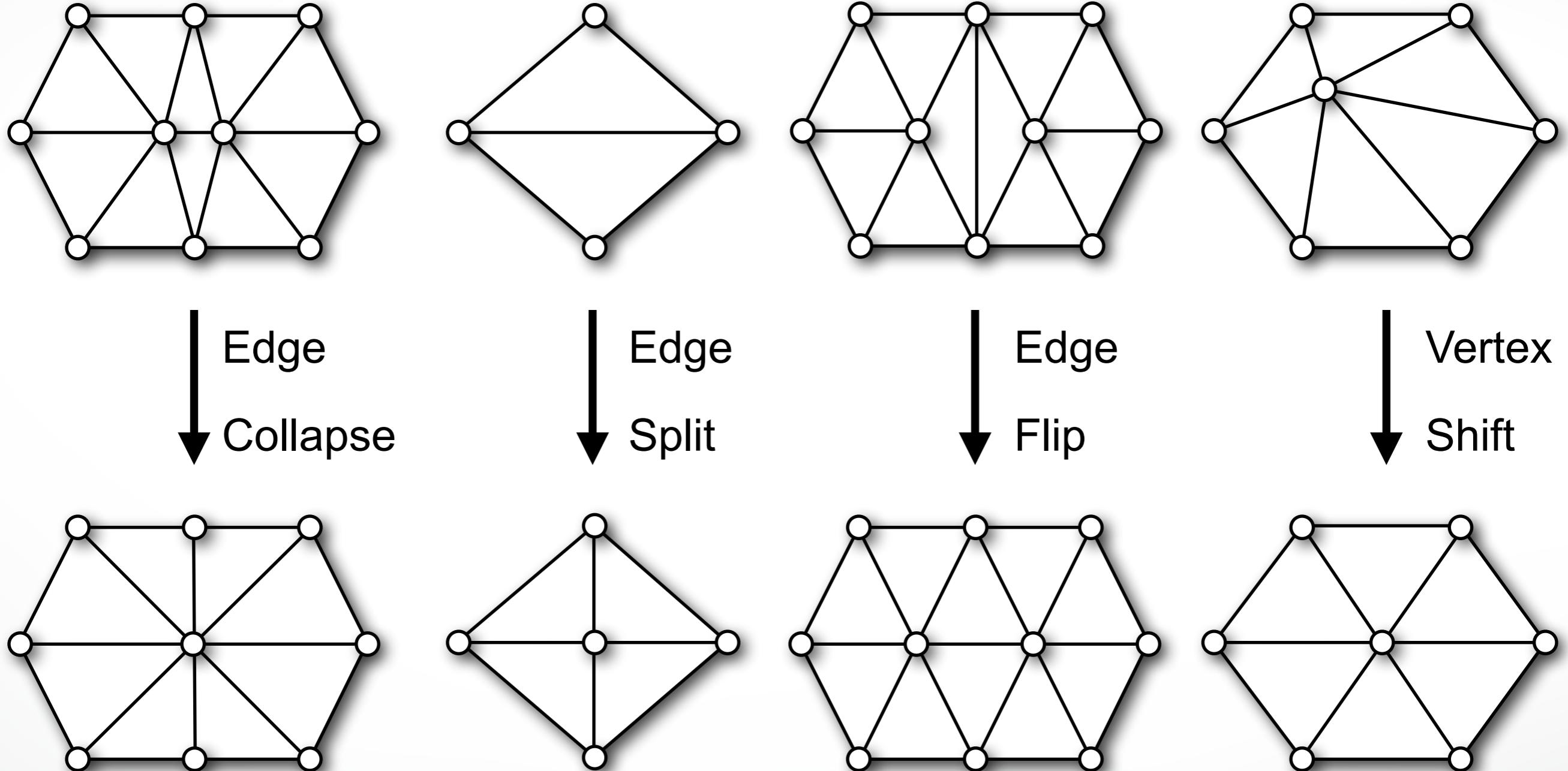
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Local remeshing operators



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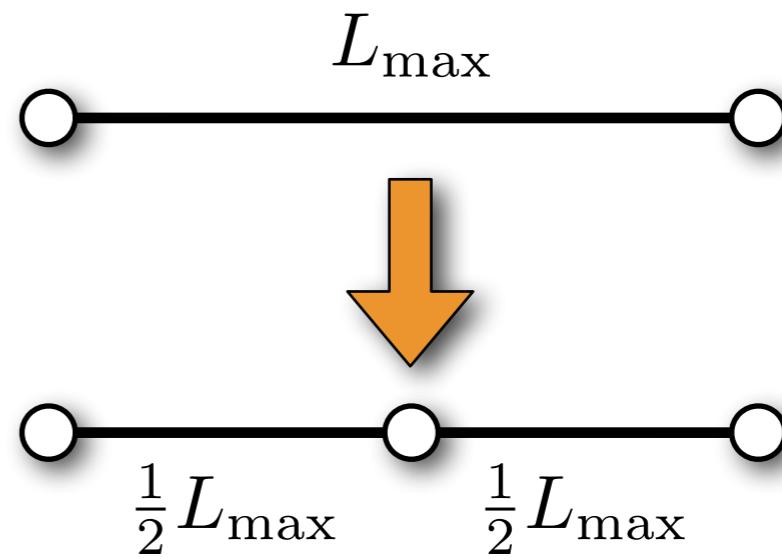
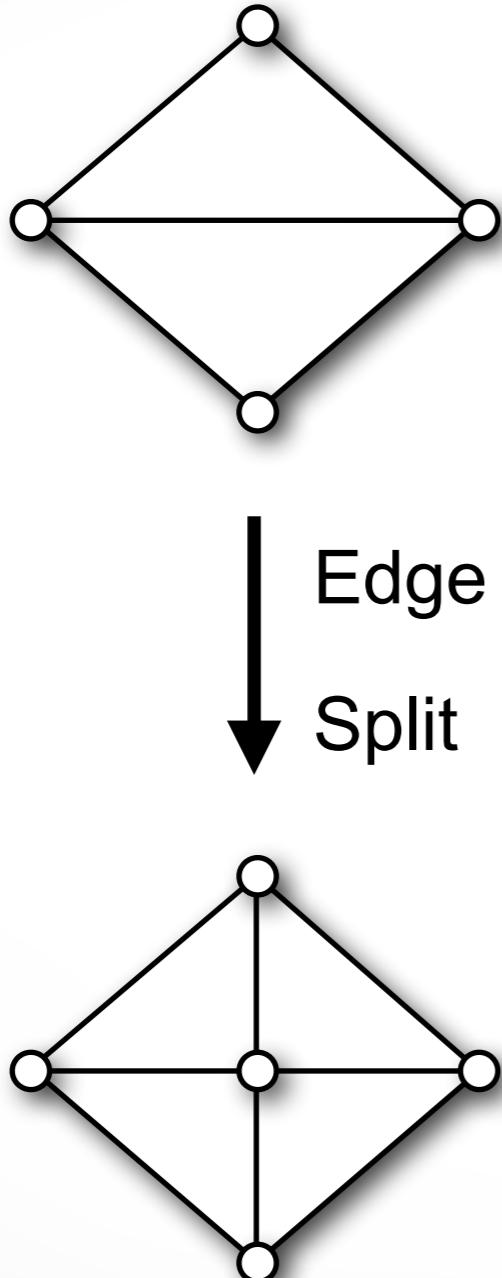
Specify target edge length L

$$L_{\max} = 4/3 * L; L_{\min} = 4/5 * L;$$

Iterate:

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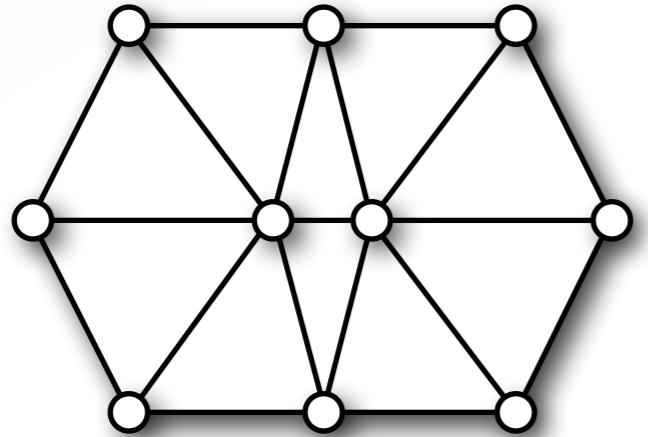
Edge split



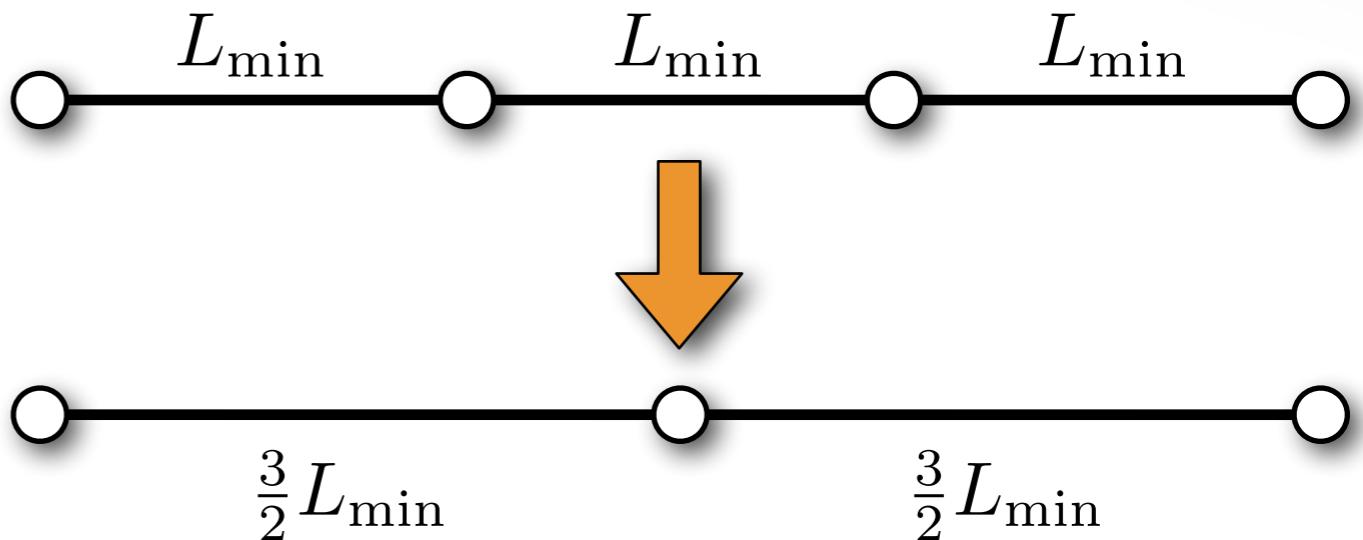
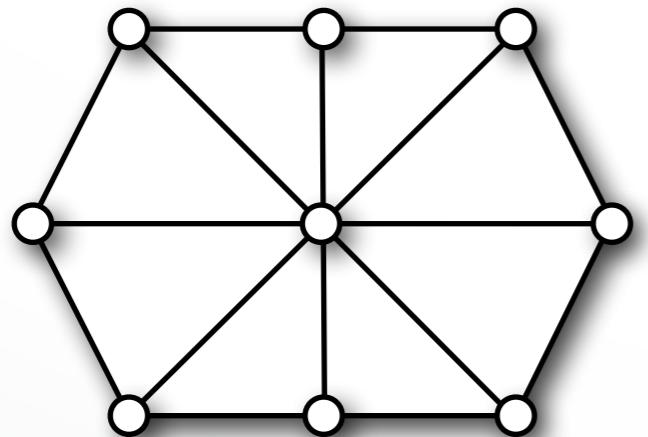
$$\begin{aligned}|L_{\max} - L| &= \left| \frac{1}{2}L_{\max} - L \right| \\ \Rightarrow L_{\max} &= \frac{4}{3}L\end{aligned}$$

Split edges longer than L_{\max}

Edge collapse



Edge
Collapse



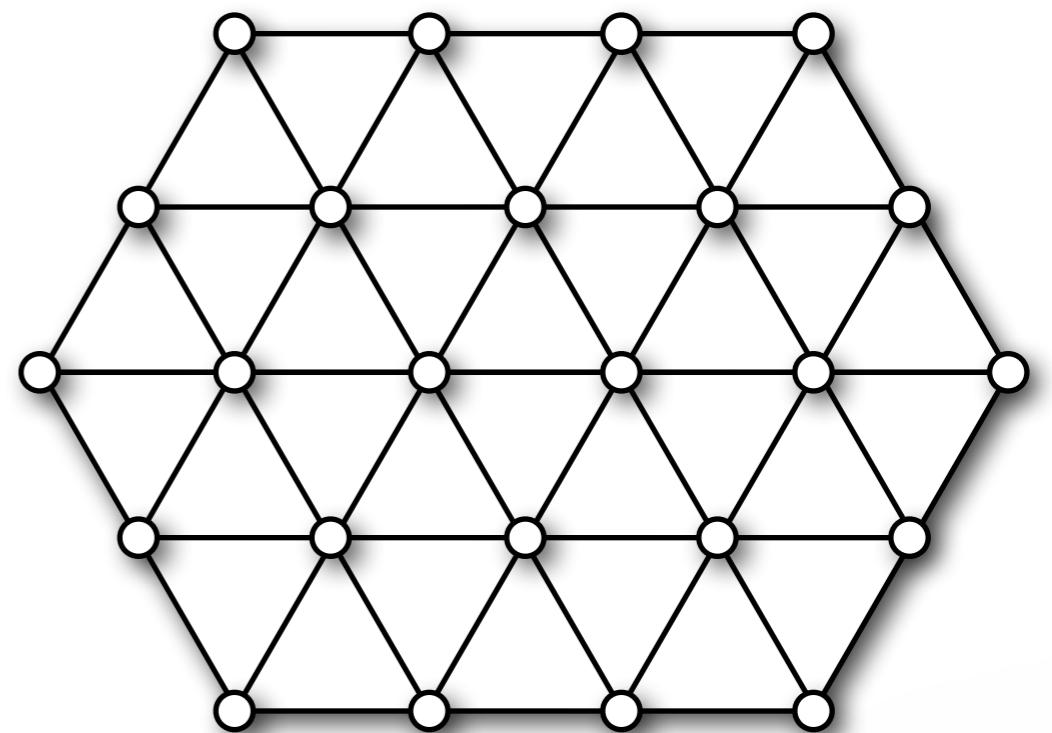
$$\begin{aligned}|L_{\min} - L| &= \left| \frac{3}{2}L_{\min} - L \right| \\ \Rightarrow L_{\min} &= \frac{4}{5}L\end{aligned}$$

Collapse edges shorter than L_{\min}

Edge flip

Optimal valence

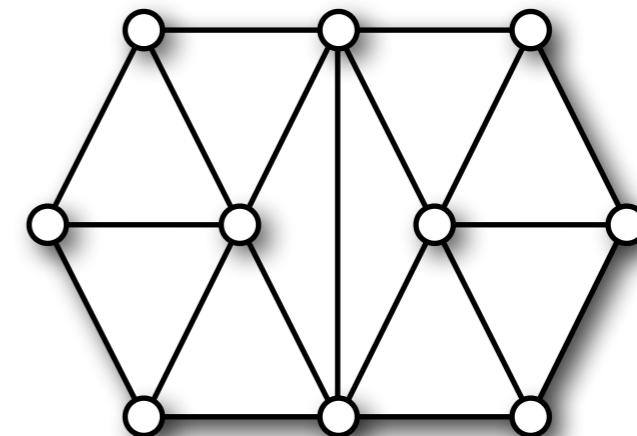
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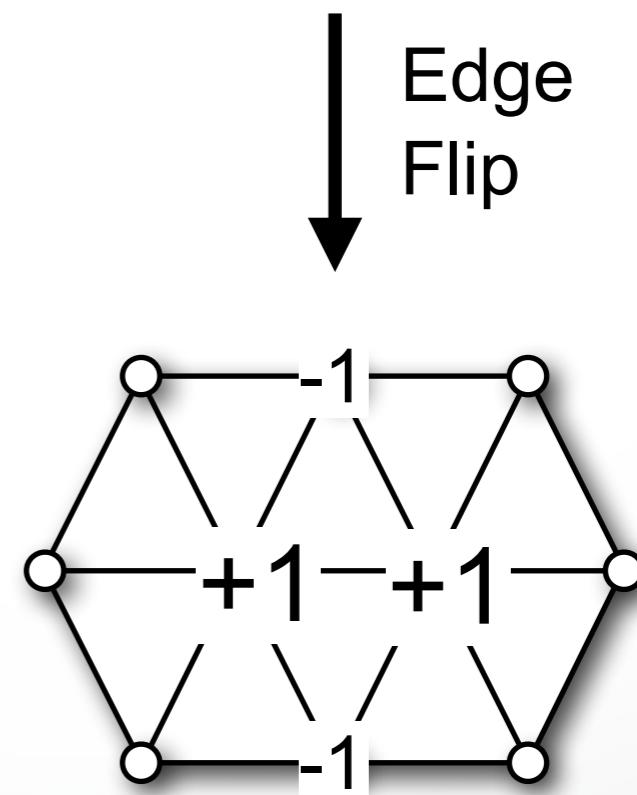
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Improve valences

- Minimize valence excess

$$\sum_{i=1}^4 (\text{valence}(v_i) - \text{opt_valence}(v_i))^2$$

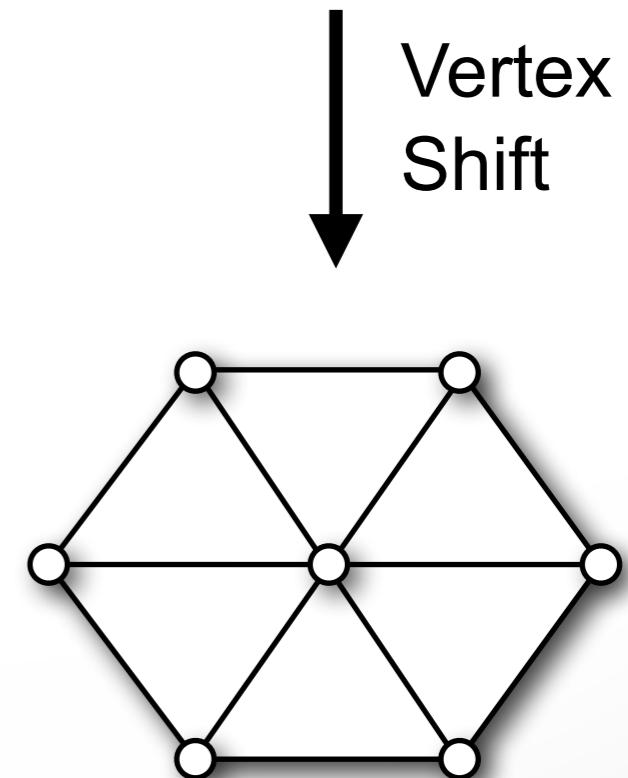
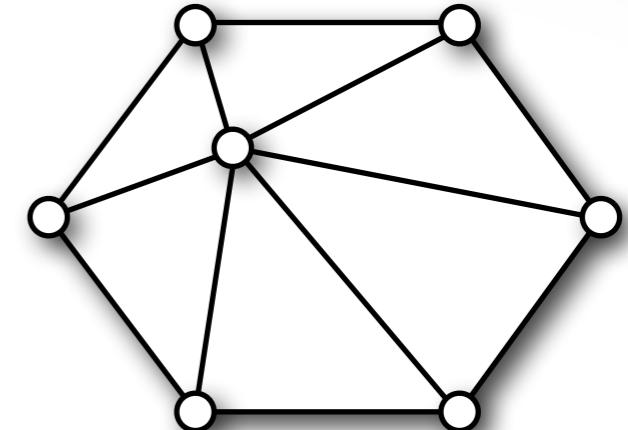


Vertex shift

Local “spring” relaxation

- Uniform Laplacian smoothing
- Barycenter of one-ring neighborhood

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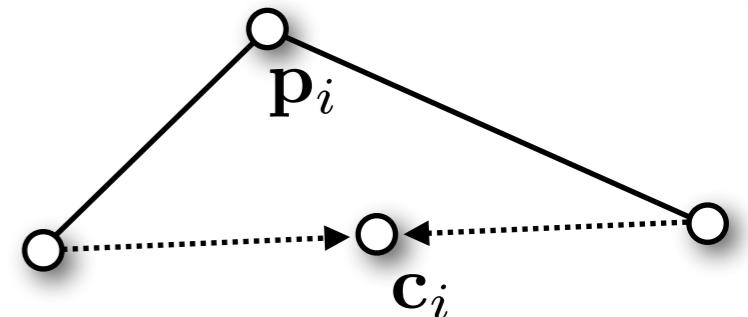
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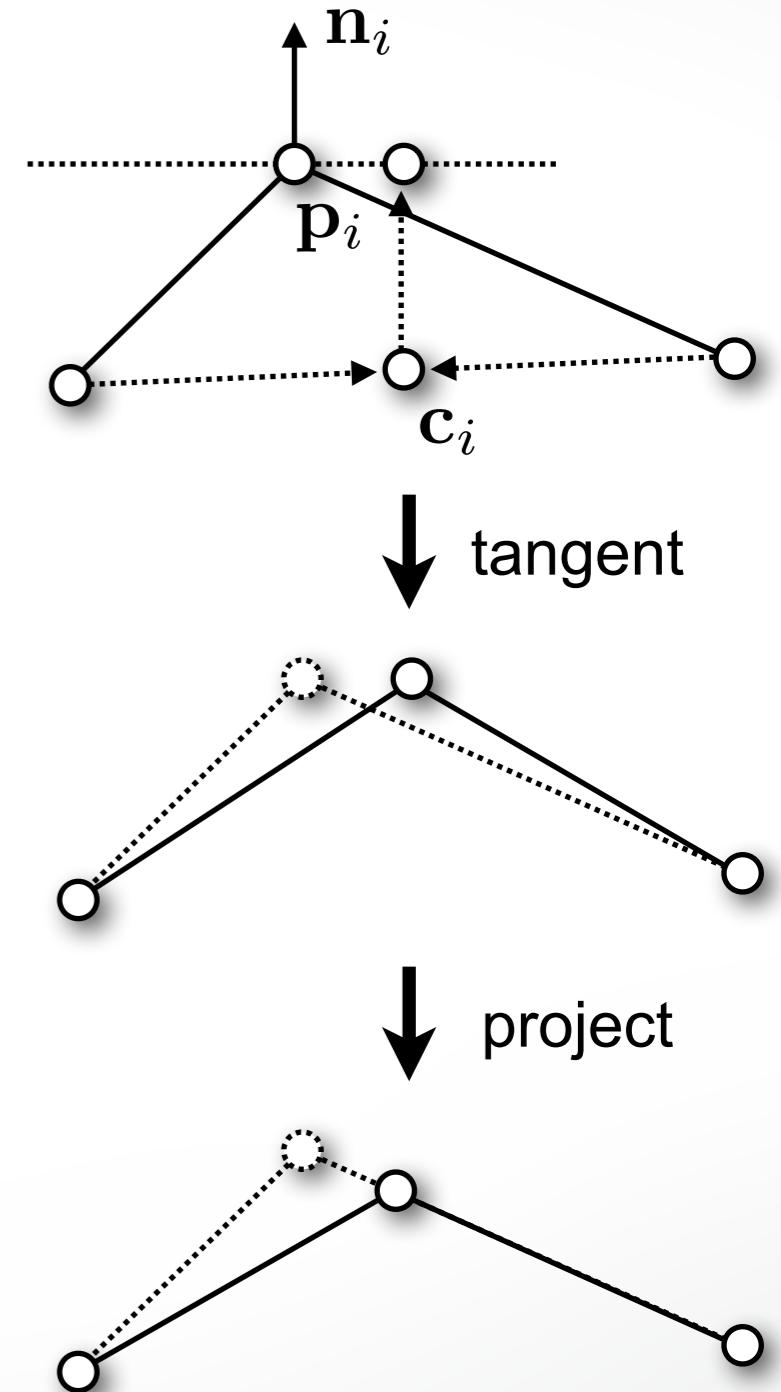


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Keep vertex (approx.) on surface

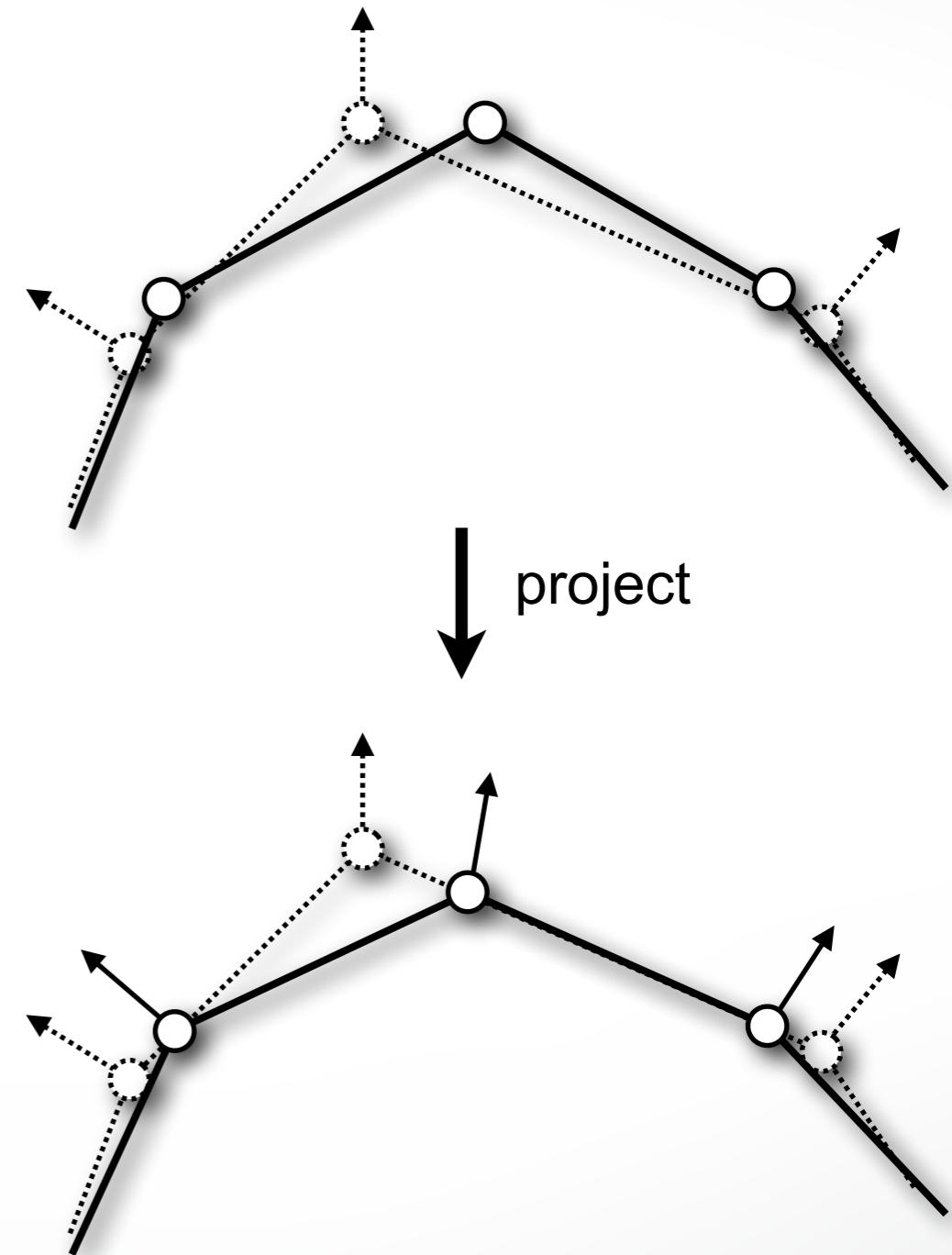
- Restrict movement to tangent plane

$$\mathbf{p}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{p}_i + \lambda (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^T) (\mathbf{c}_i - \mathbf{p}_i)$$

Vertex projection

Onto original reference mesh

- Find closest triangle
- Use BSP to accelerate $\rightarrow O(\log n)$
- Barycentric interpolation to compute position & normal



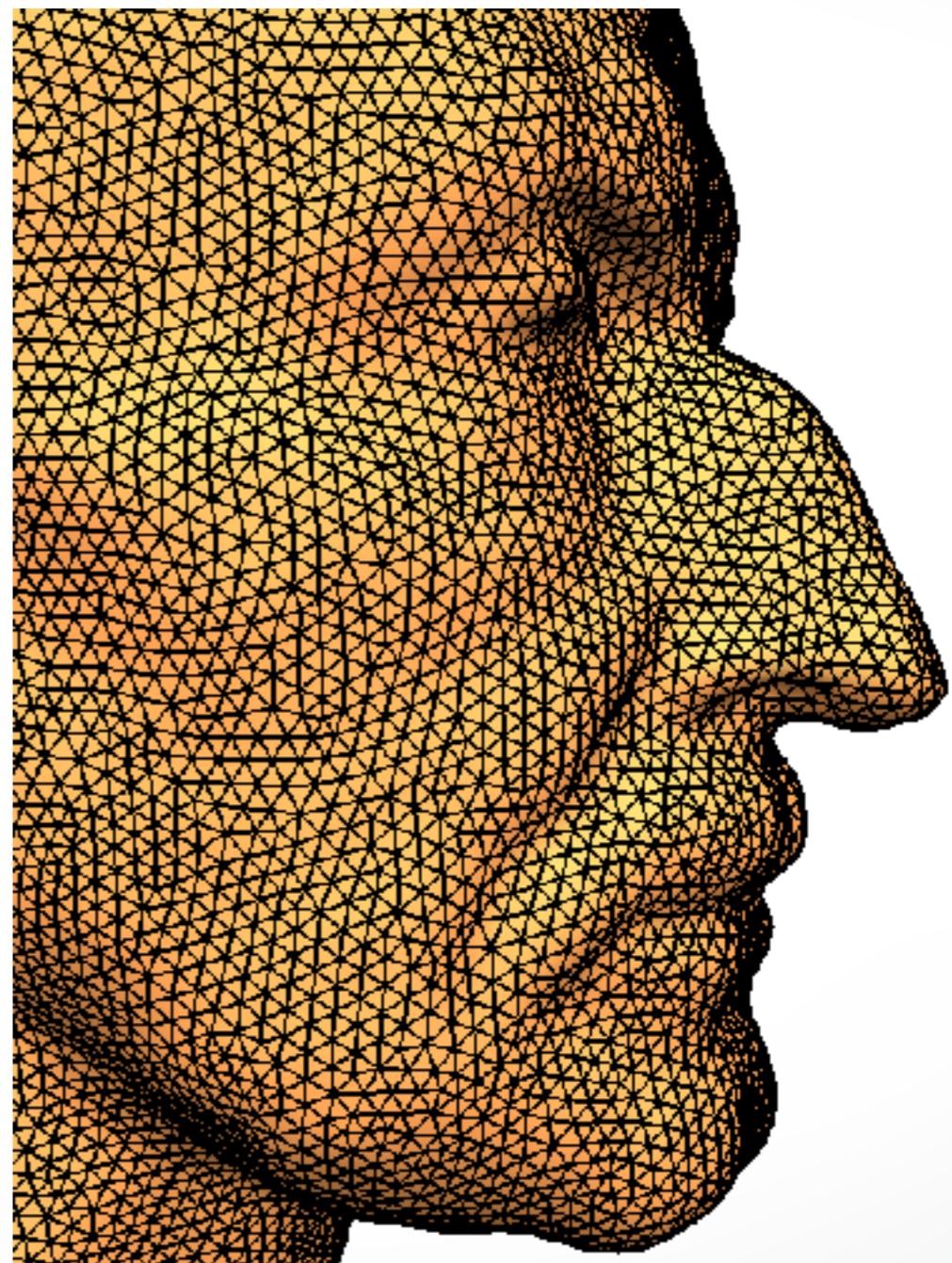
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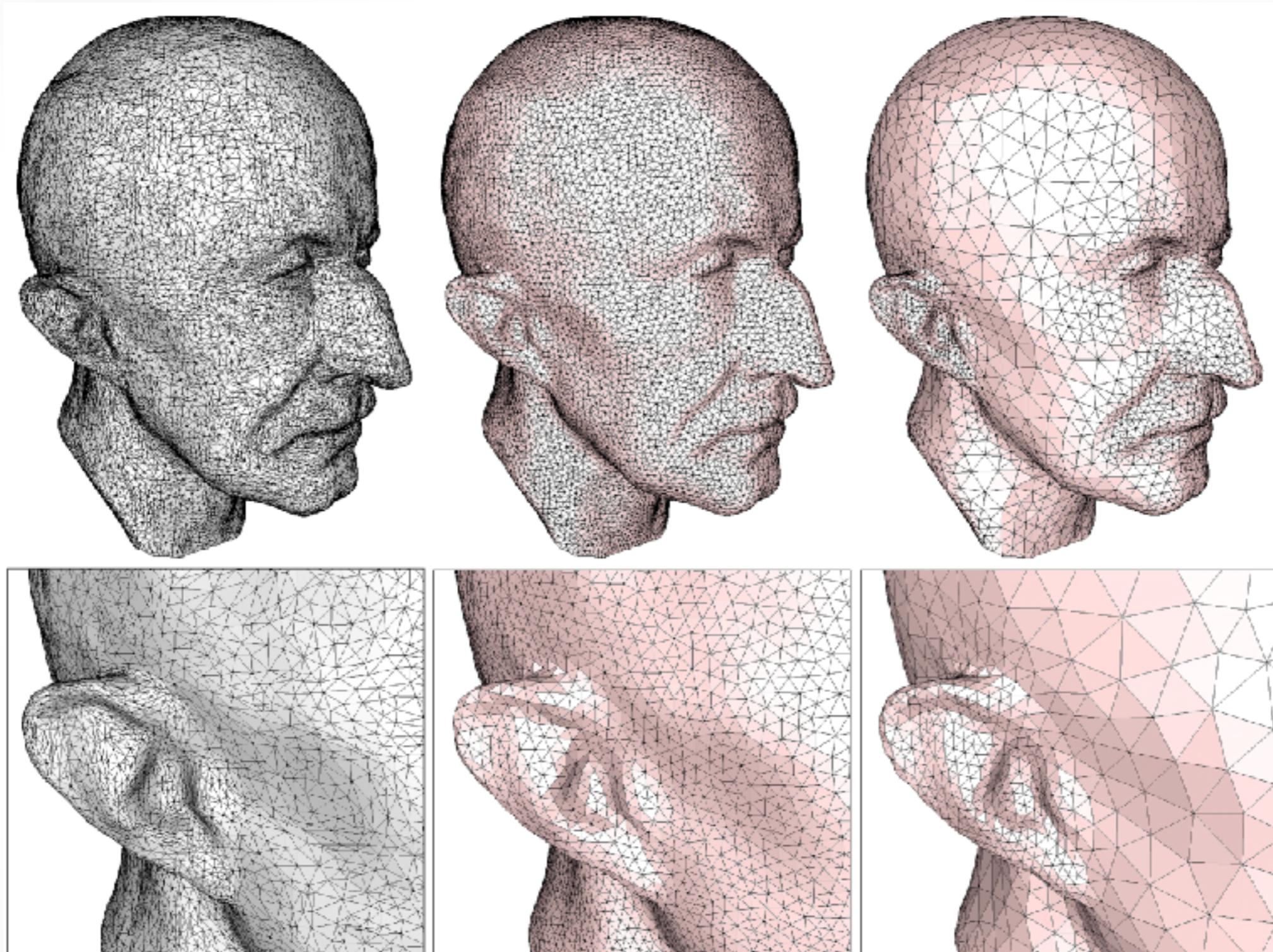
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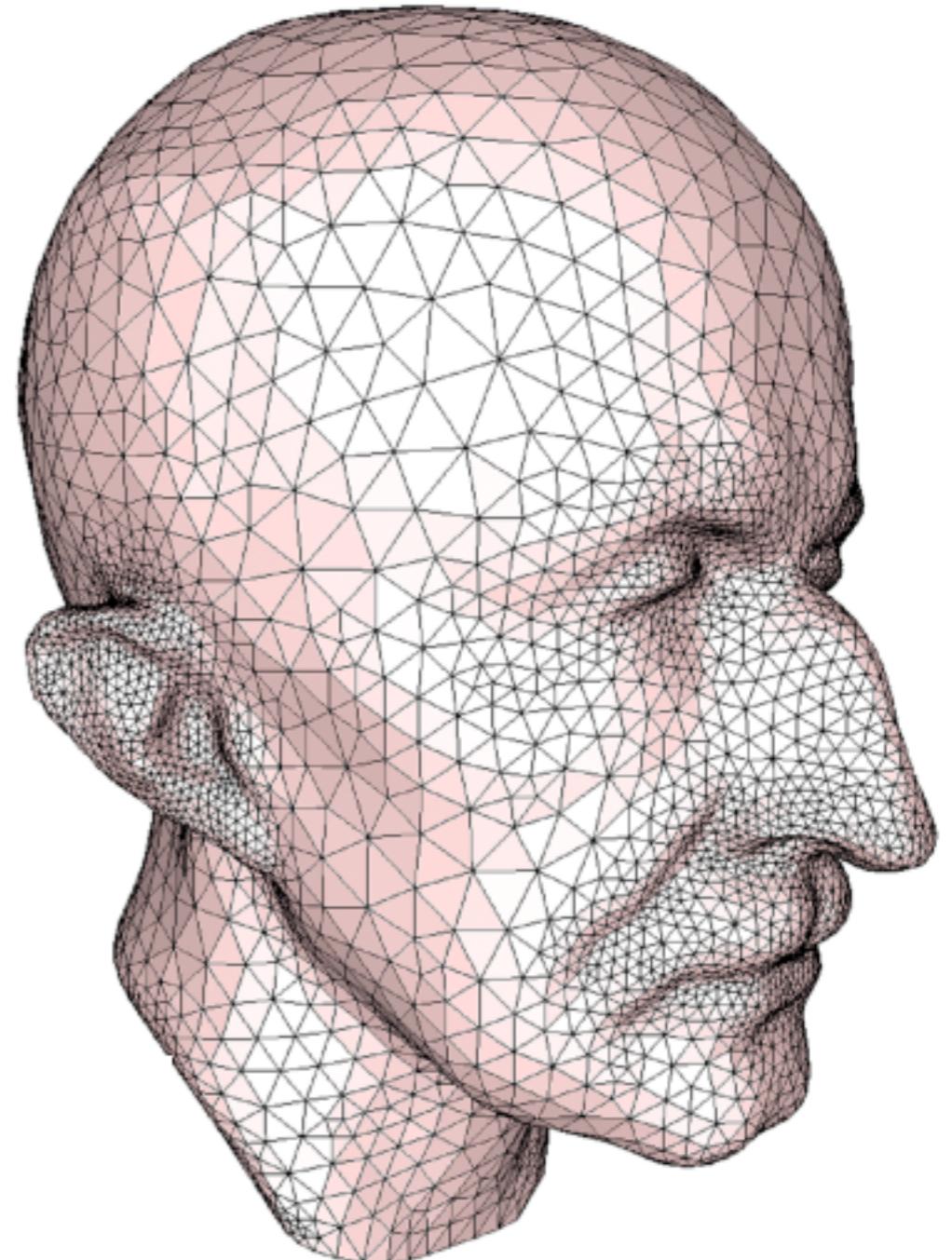


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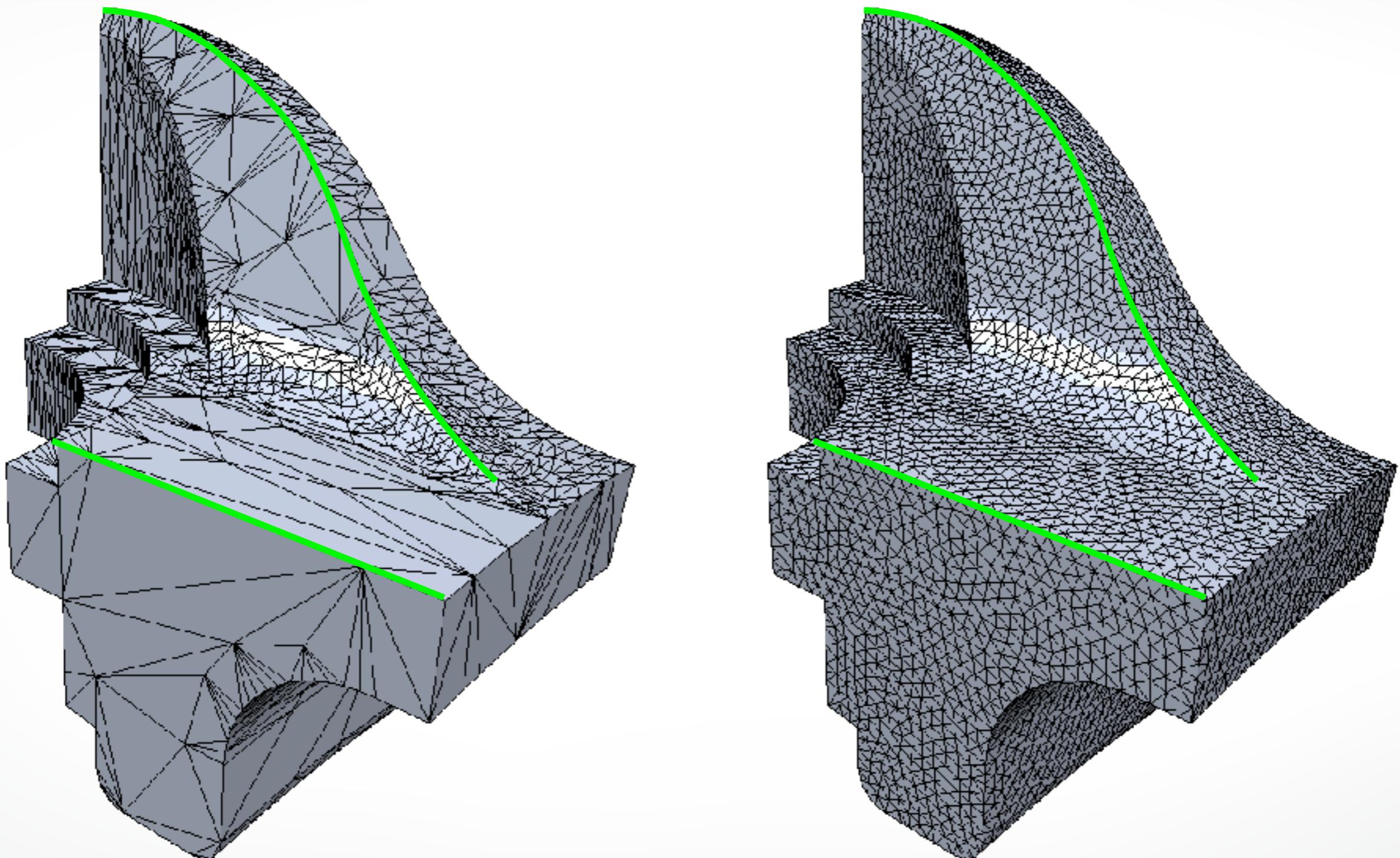


Adaptive remeshing

- Compute maximum principle curvature on reference mesh
- Determine local target edge length from max-curvature
- Adjust edge split / collapse criteria accordingly



Feature preservation



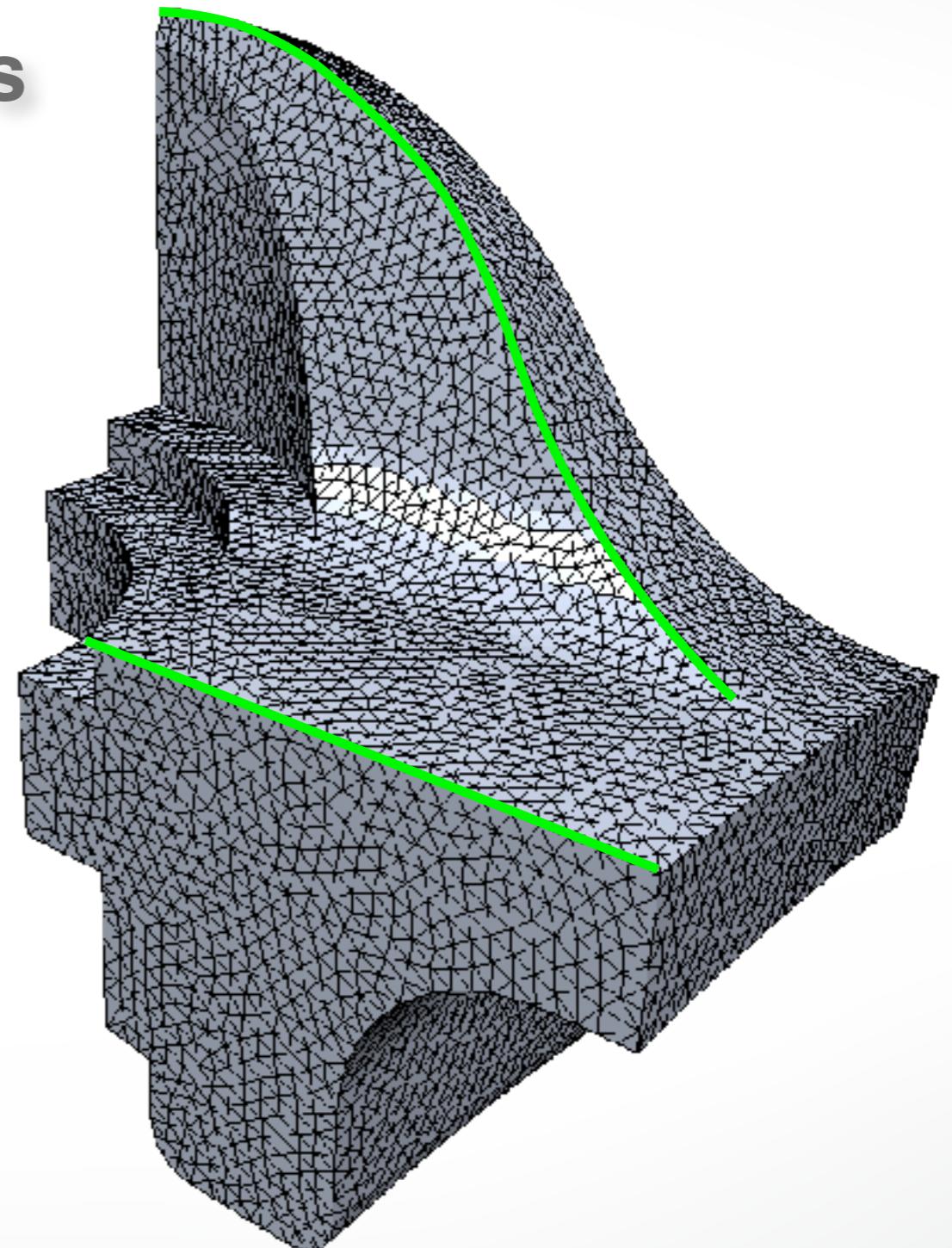
Feature preservation

Define feature edges / vertices

- Large dihedral angles
- Material boundaries

Adjust local operators

- Do not touch corner vertices
- Do not flip feature edges
- Collapse along features
- Univariate smoothing
- Project to feature curves



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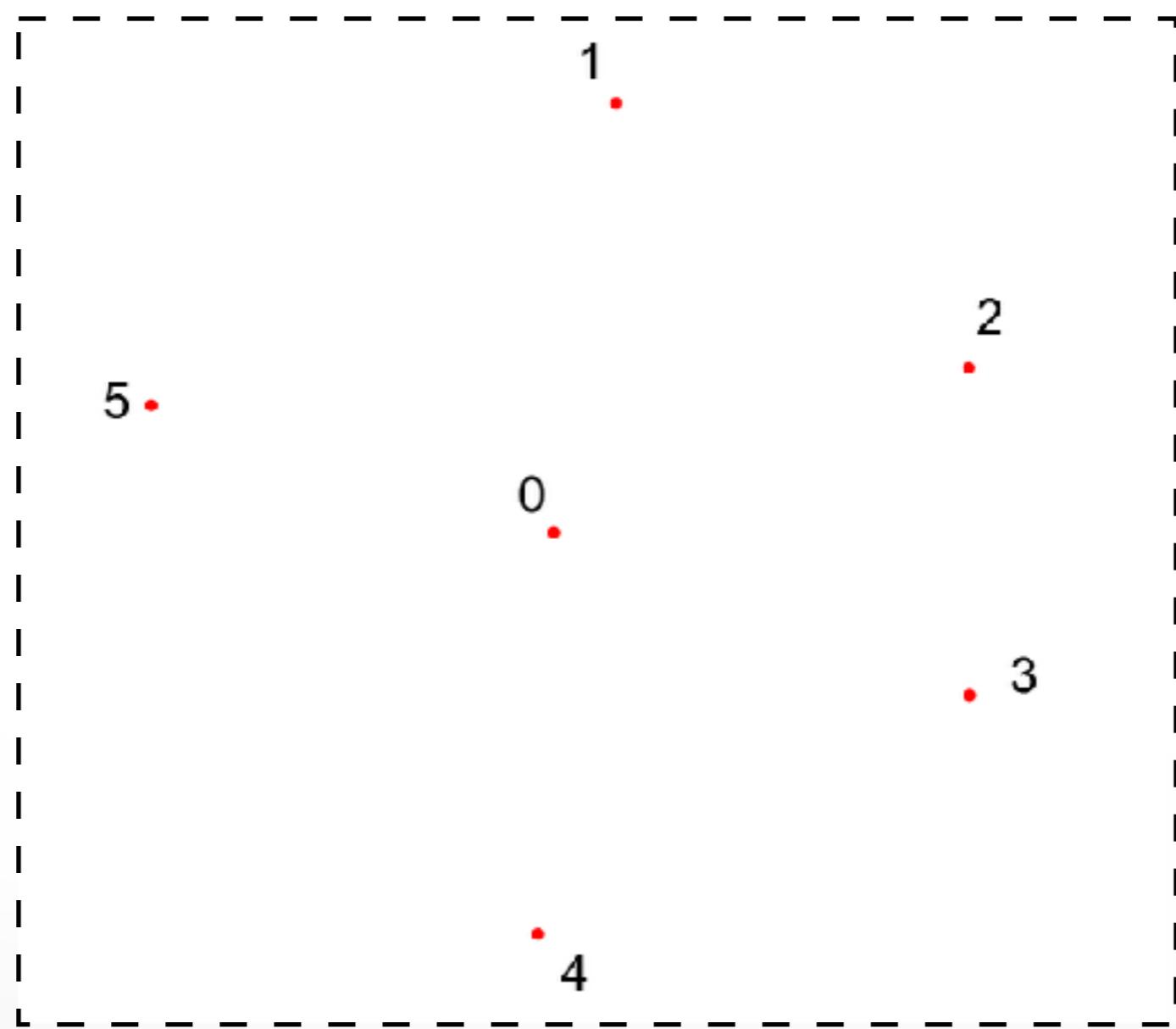
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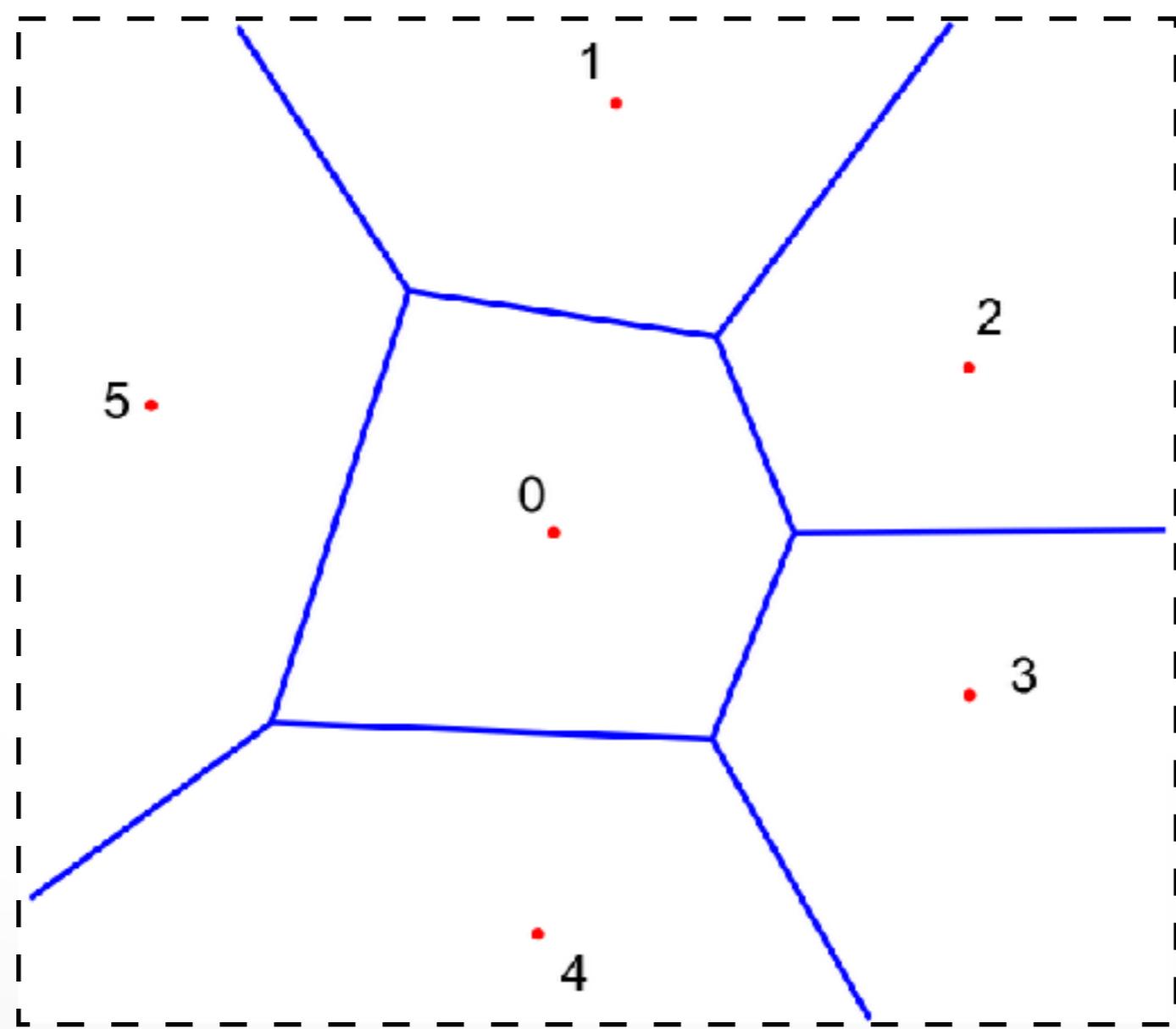
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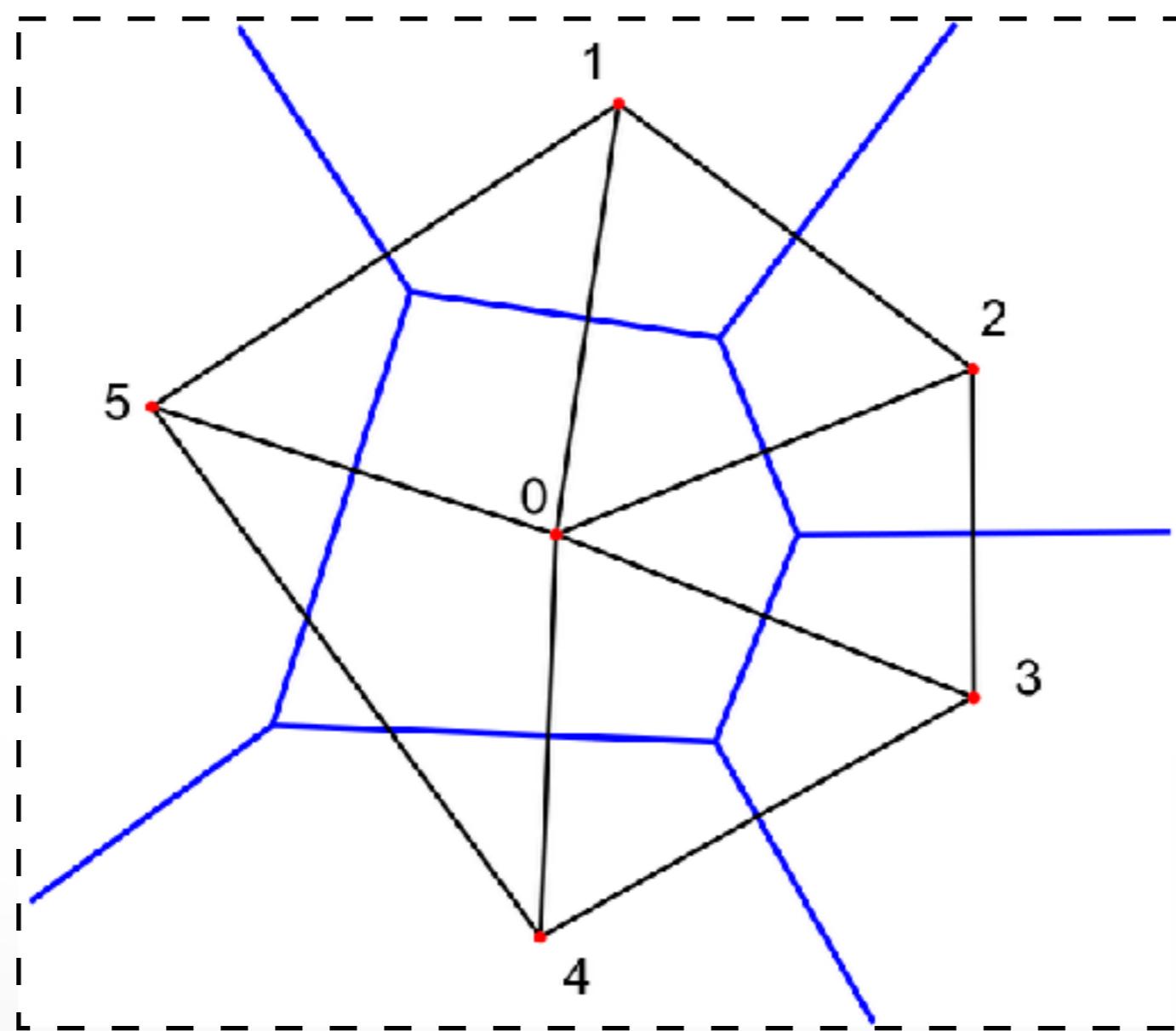
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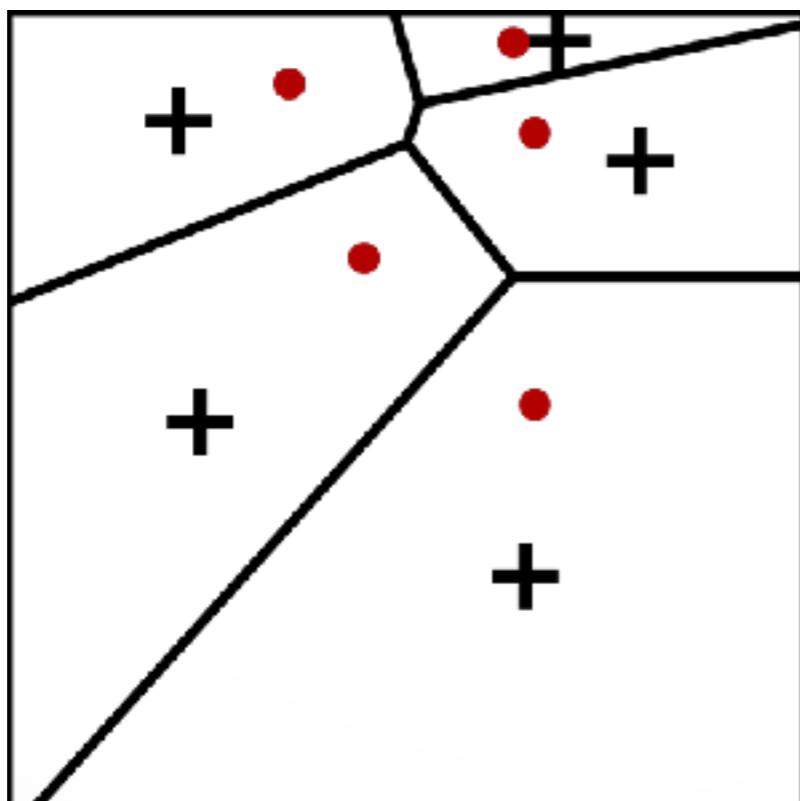
Dual graph: Delaunay triangulation



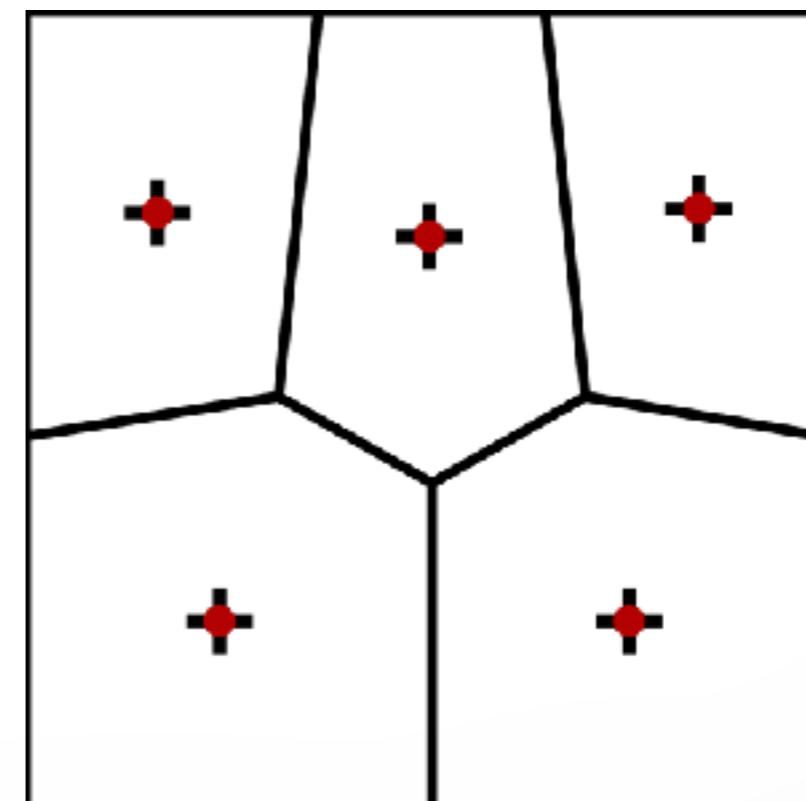
Centroidal Voronoi Diagram

For each cell

The generating point \bullet = mass of center $+$



non CVD



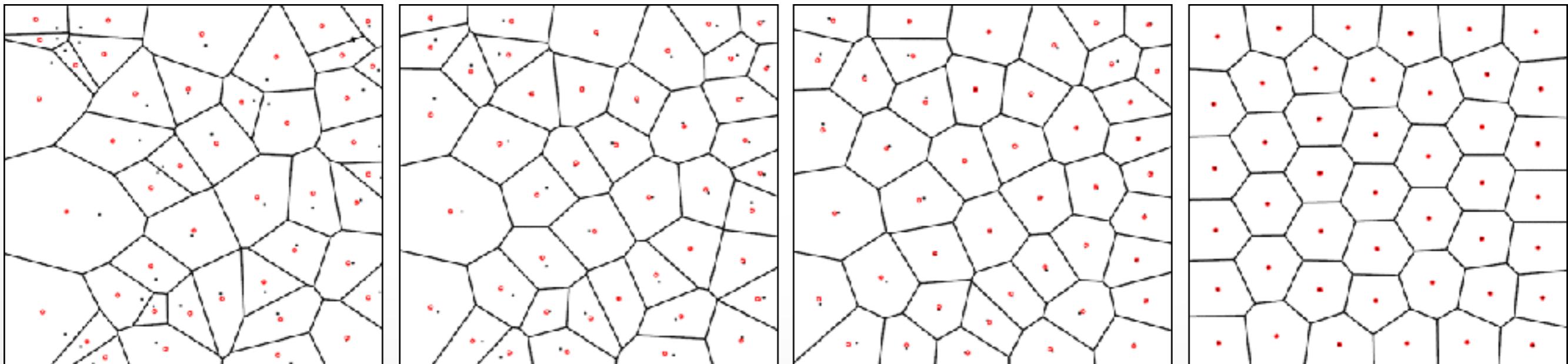
CVD

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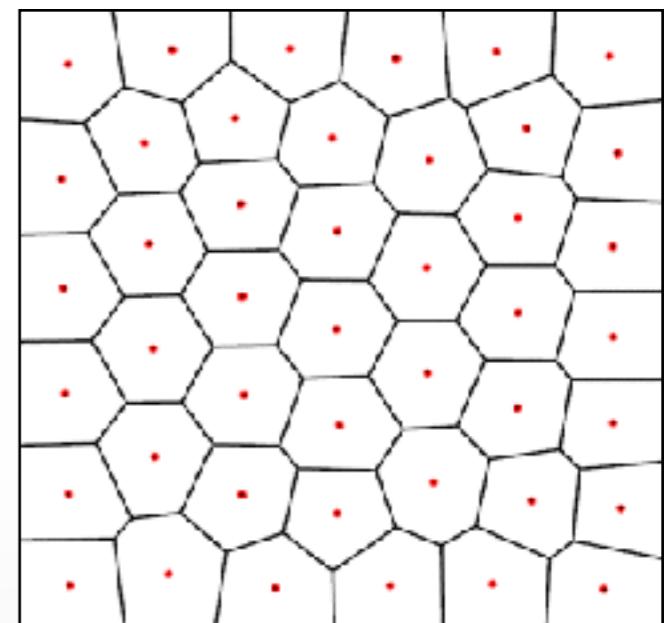
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CVD maximizes compactness

- Minimize the energy:

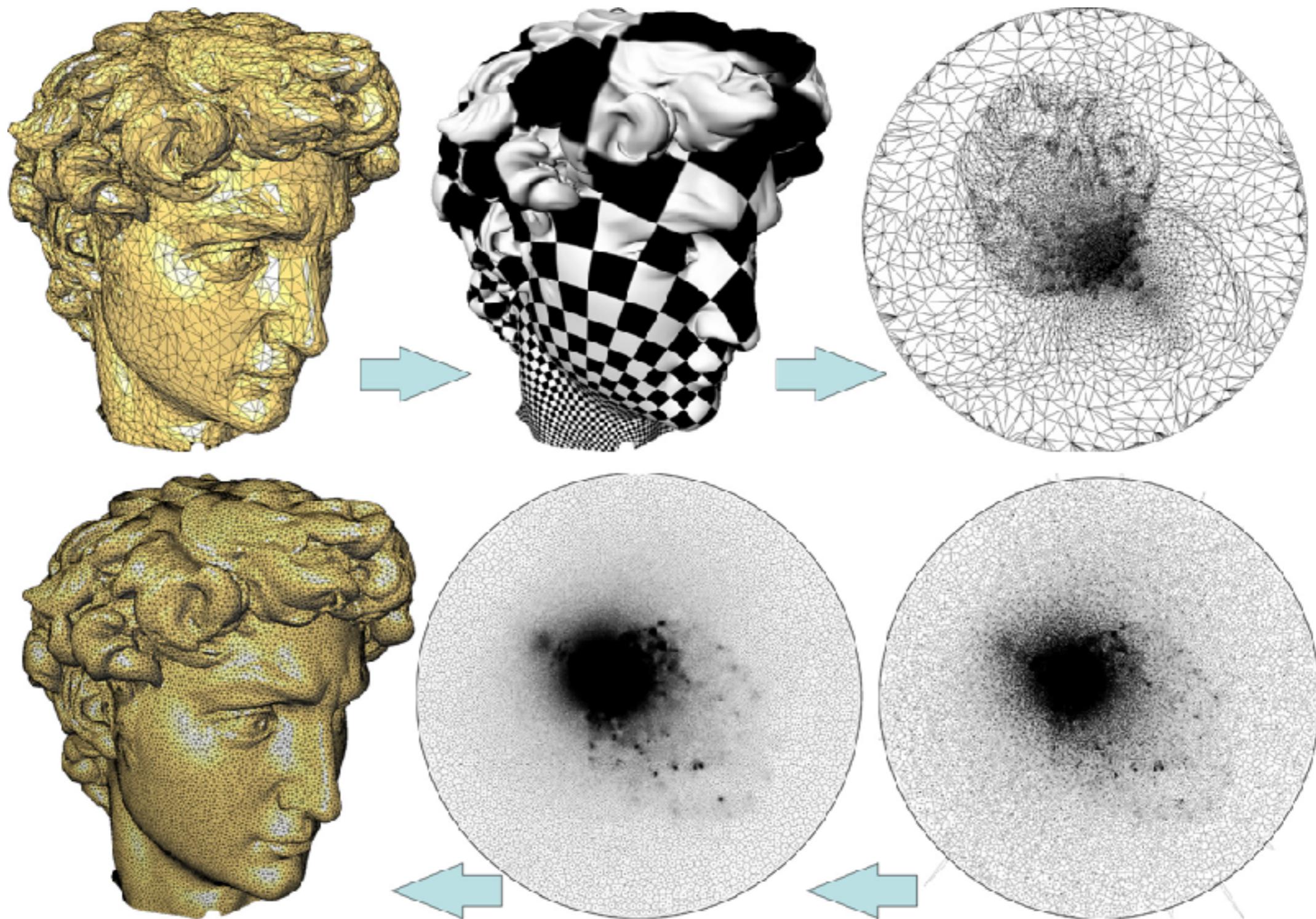
$$\sum_i \int_{V_i} \rho(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_i\|^2 \, d\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \min$$



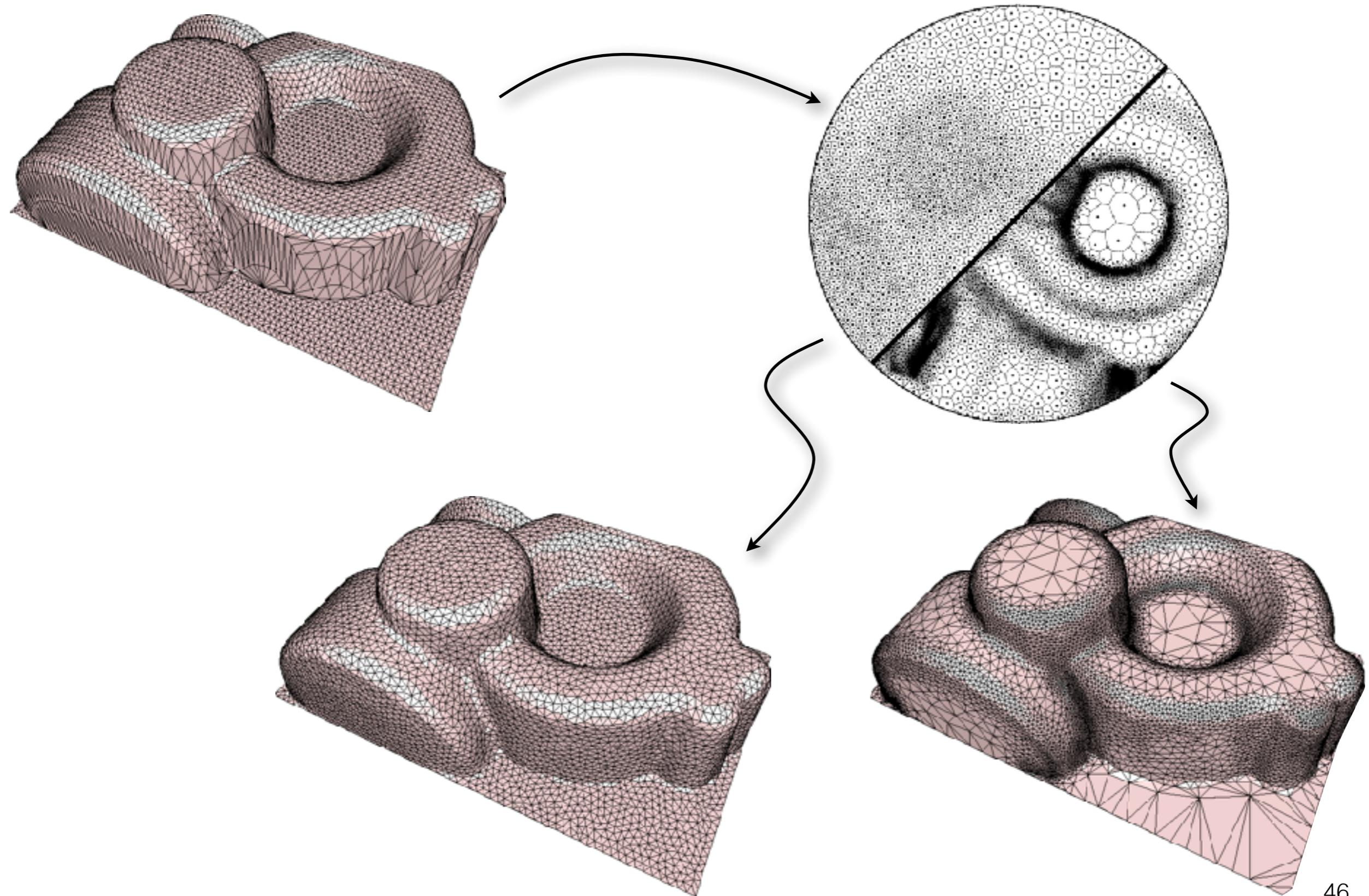
Variational remeshing

- 1. Conformal parameterization of input mesh**
- 2. Compute local density**
- 3. Perform in 2D parameter space**
 - A. Randomly sample according to local density
 - B. Compute CVD by Lloyd relaxation
- 4. Lift 2D Delaunay triangulation to 3D**

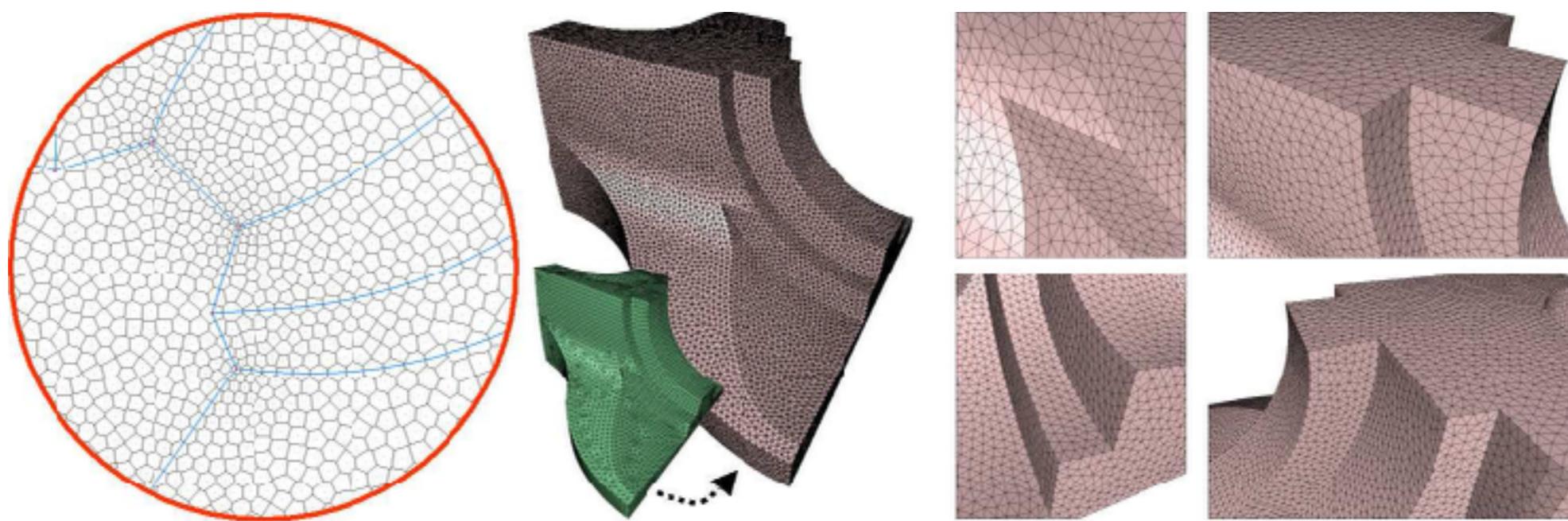
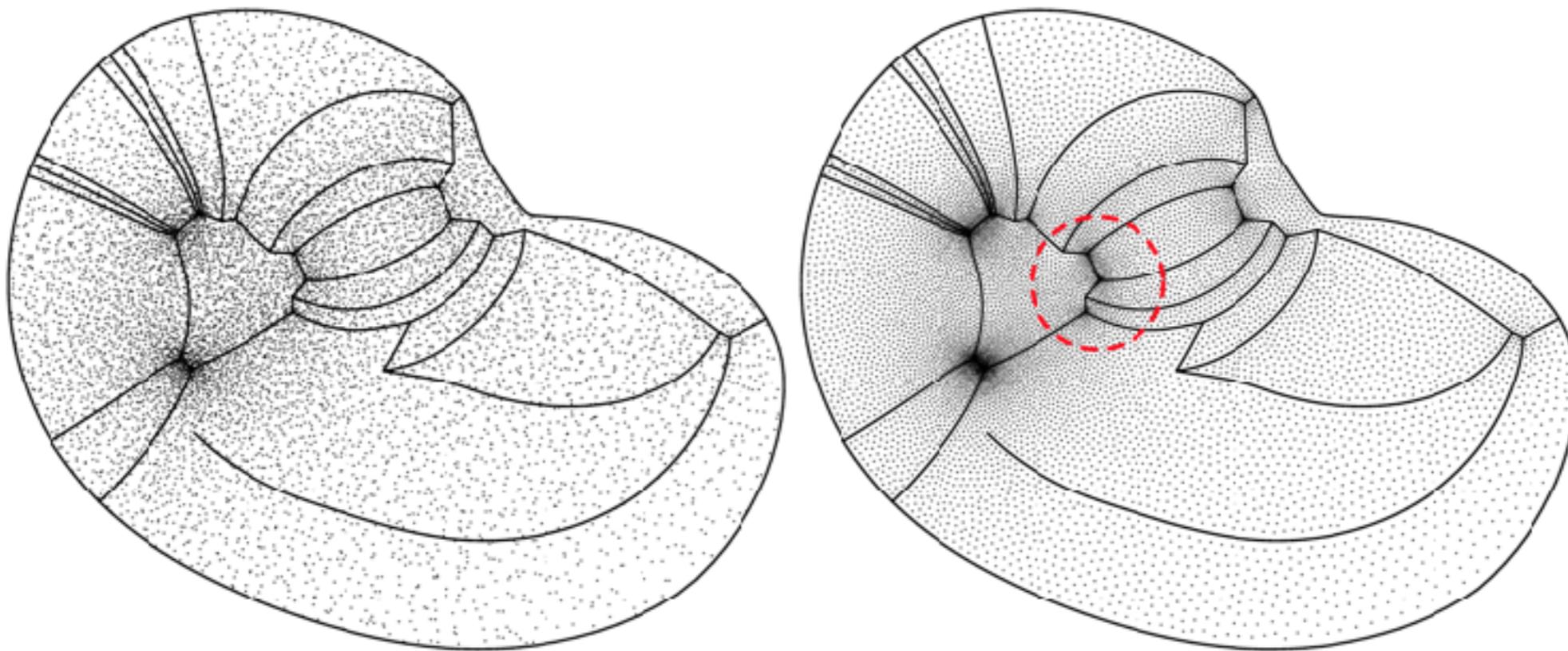
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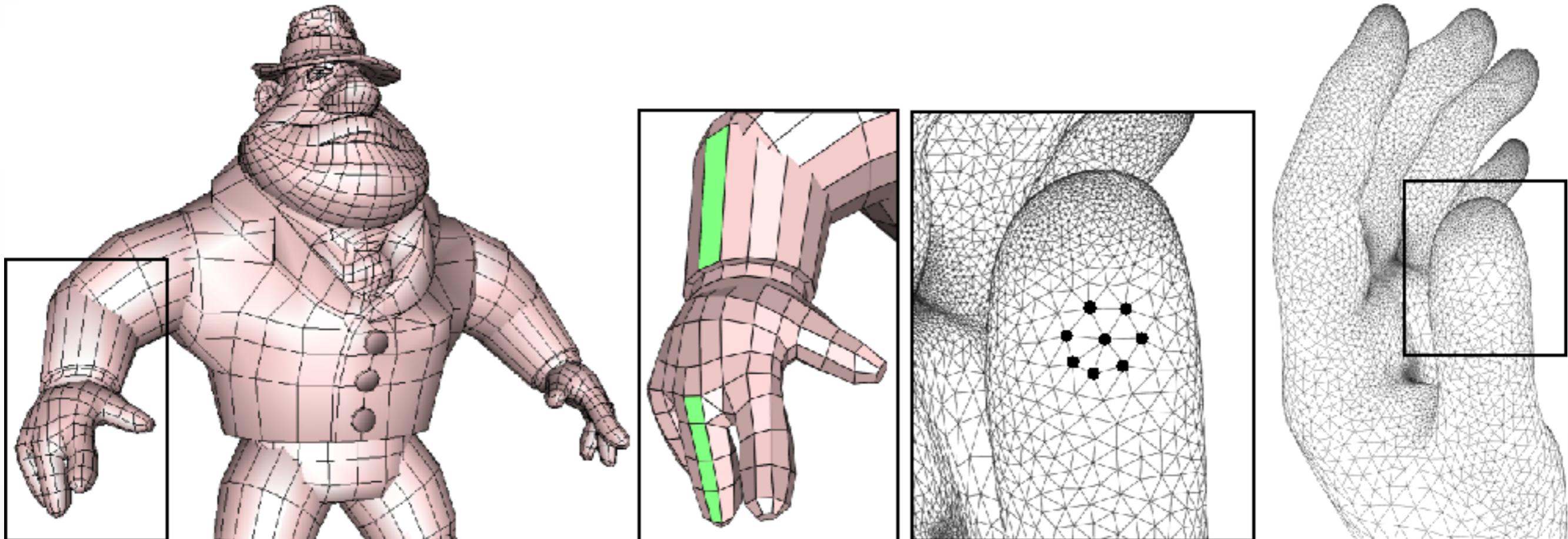
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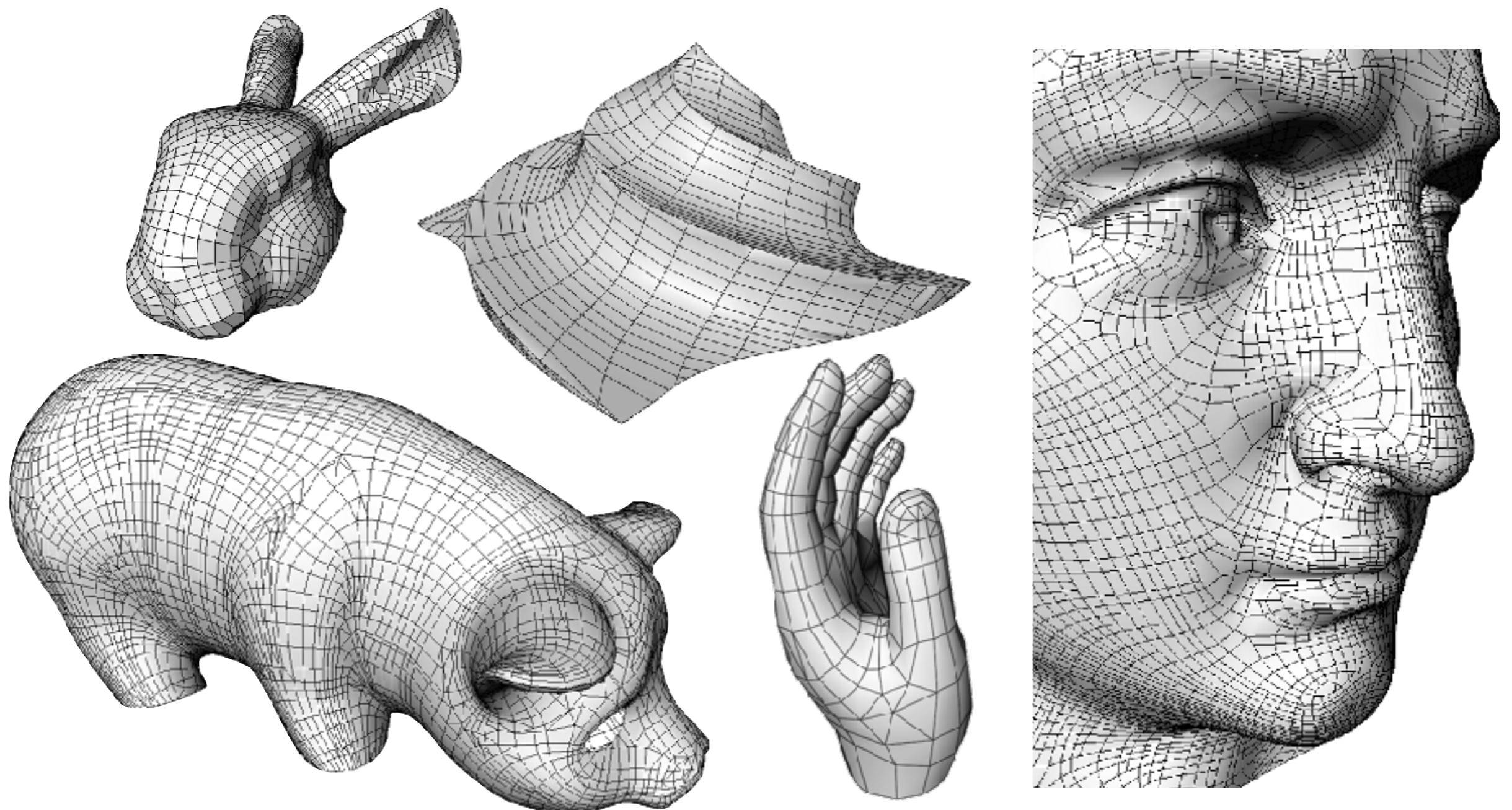
Artist-designed models

- Conform to the anisotropy of a surface



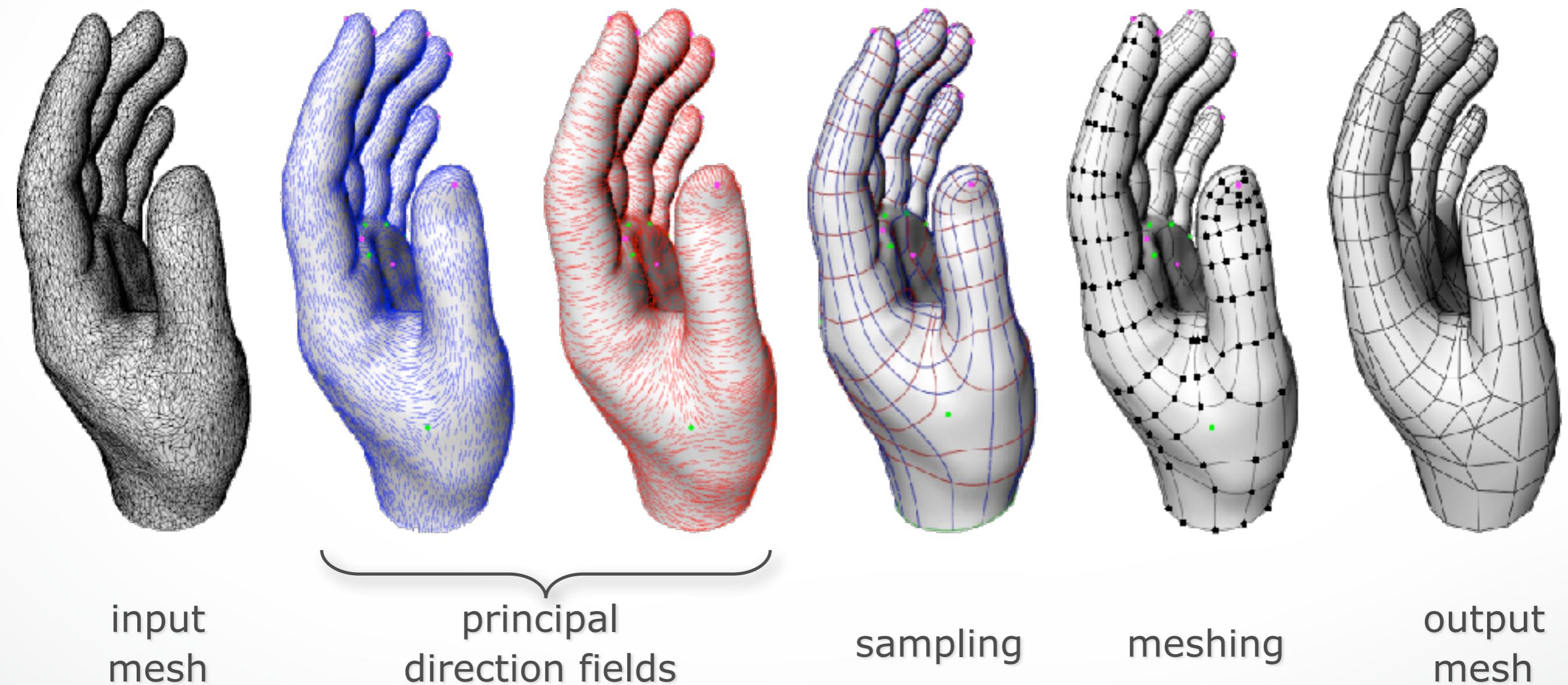
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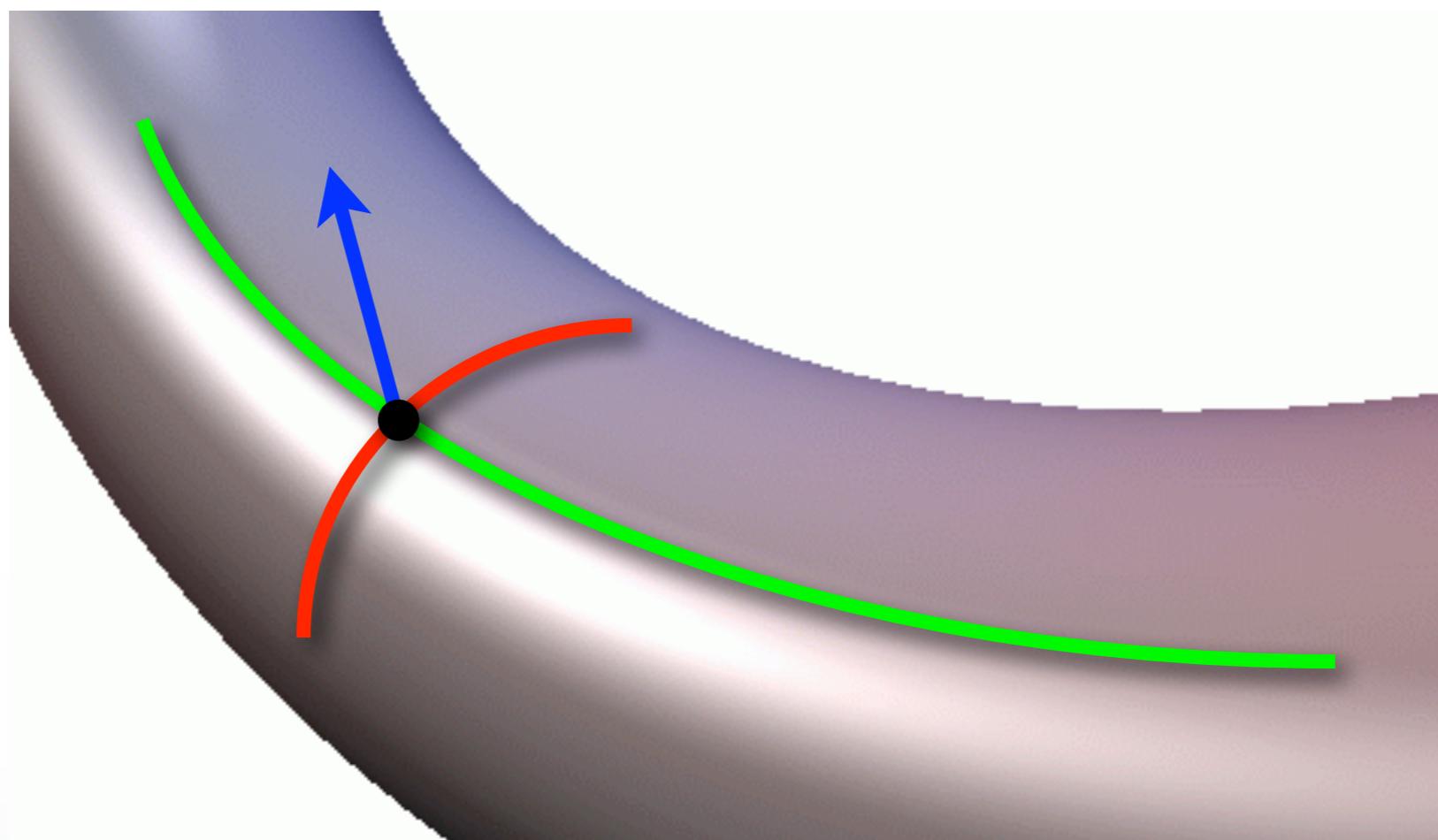
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Anisotropy

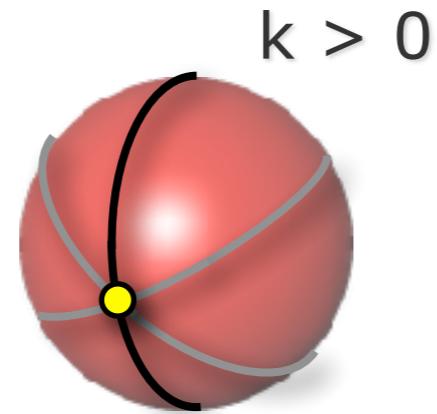
Differential geometry

- A local *orthogonal* frame: min/max curvature directions and normal

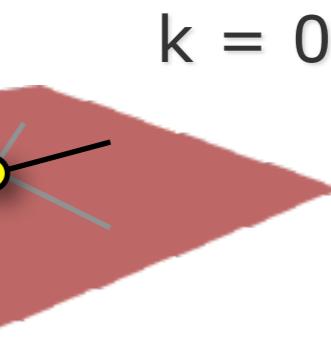


3D curvature tensor

Isotropic



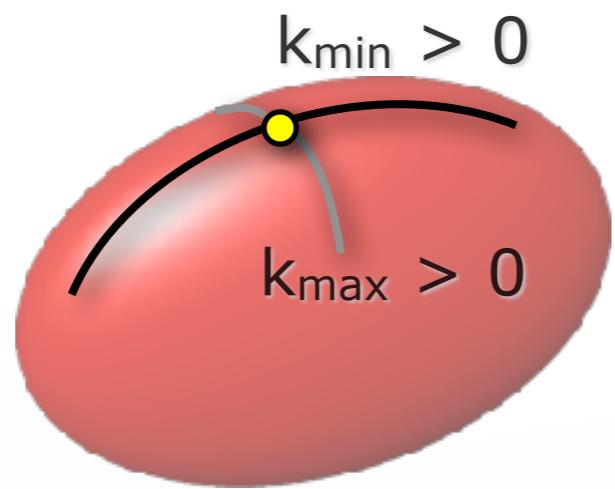
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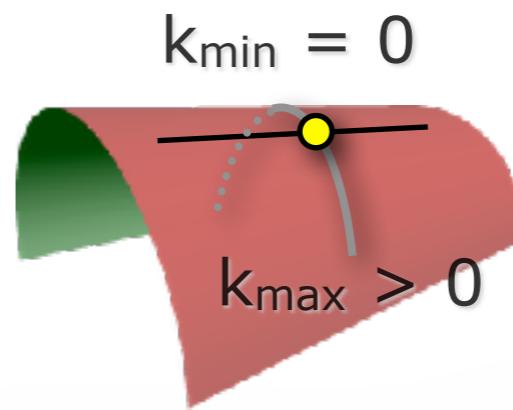
planar

Anisotropic

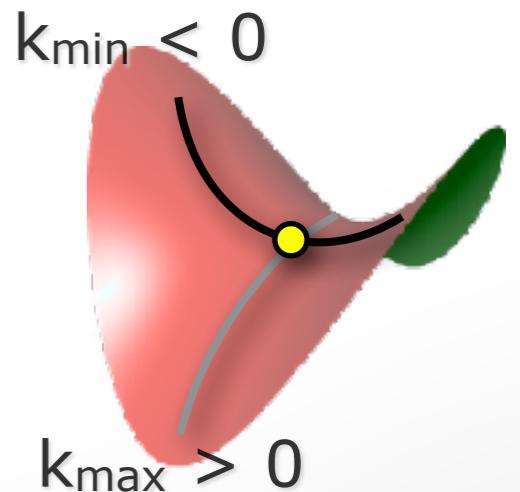
2 principal directions



elliptic

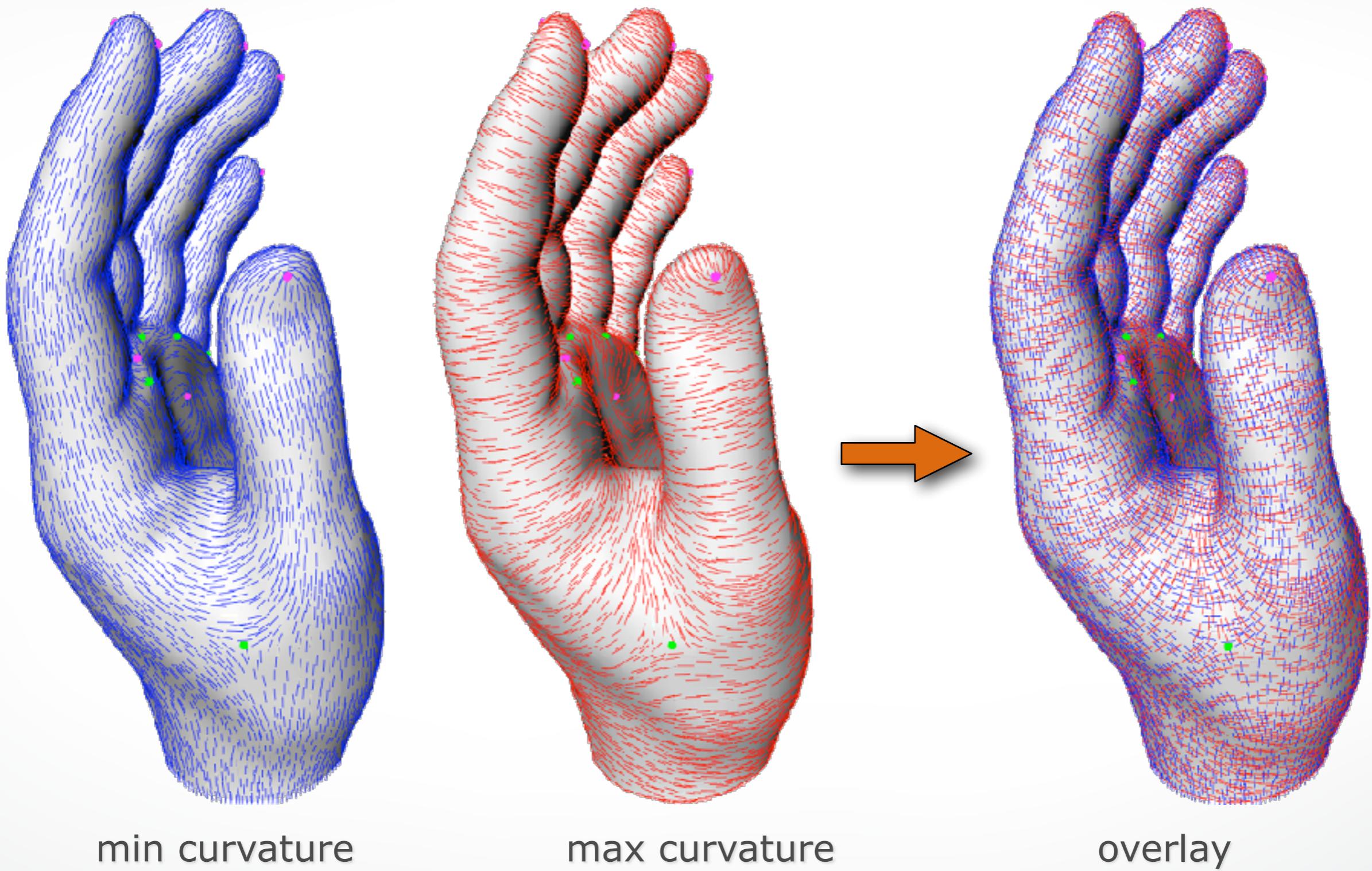


parabolic

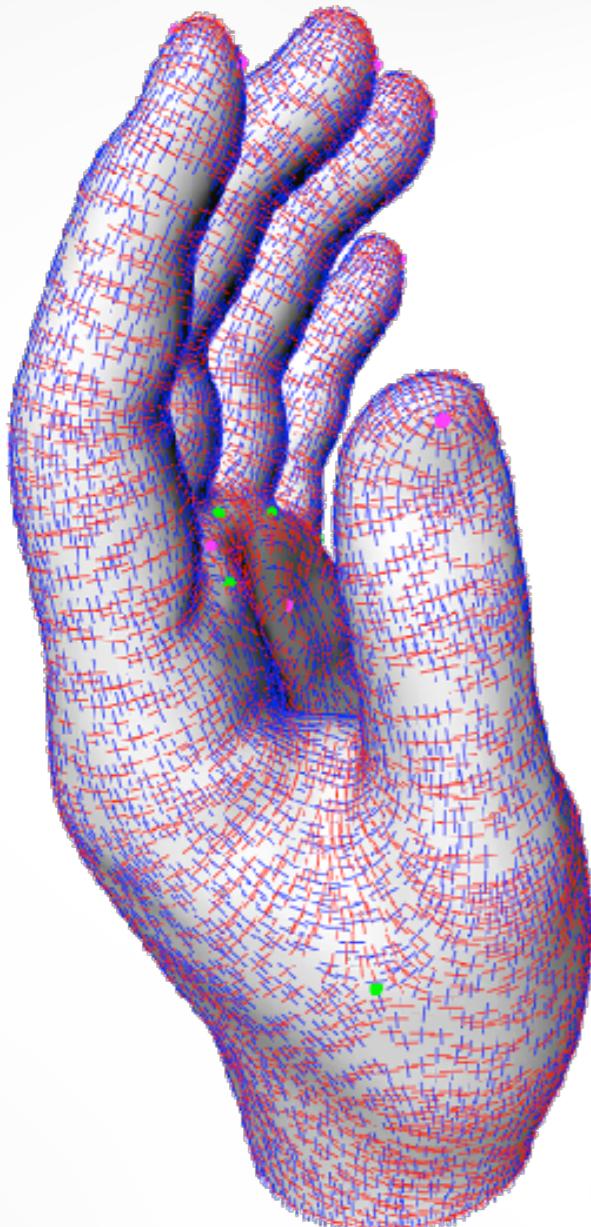


hyperbolic

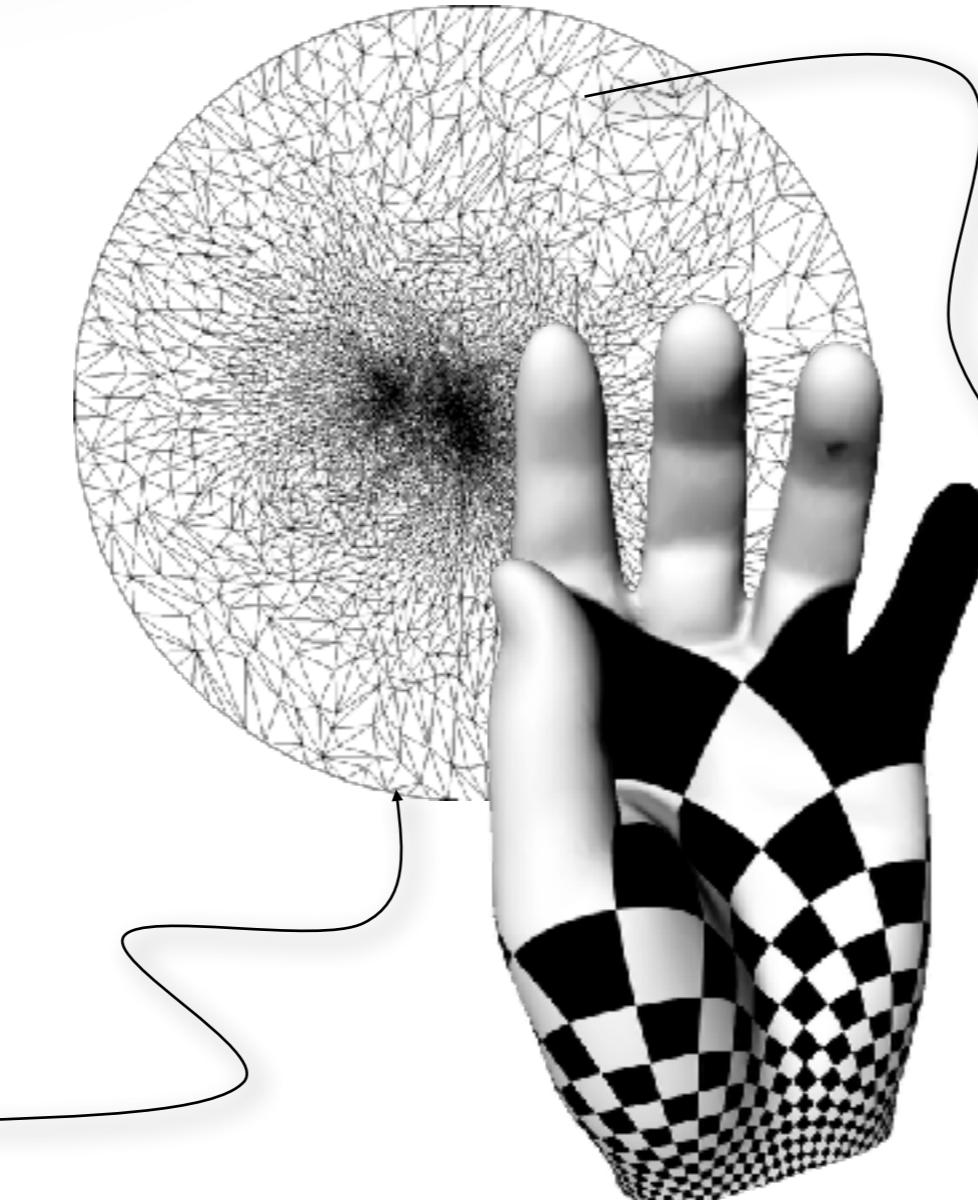
Principal direction fields



Flattening to 2D

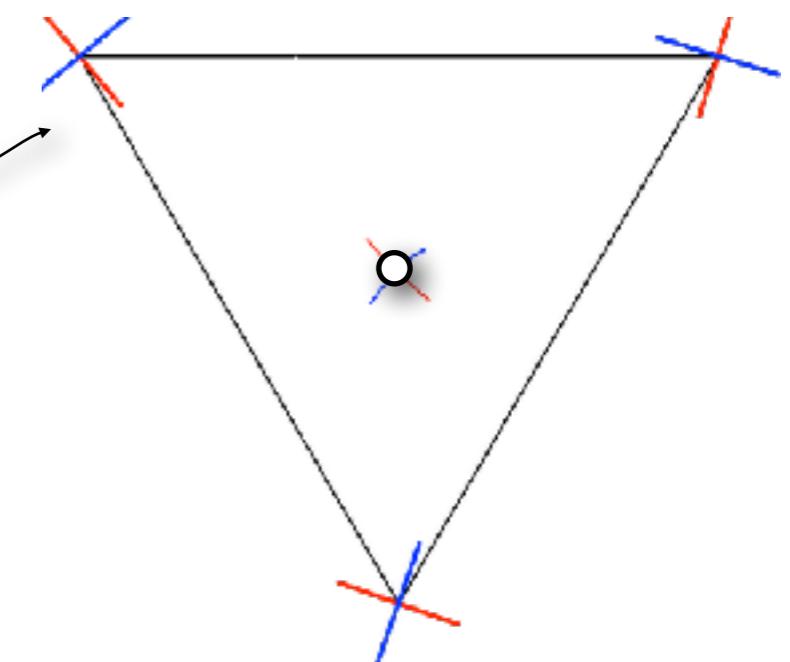


one 3D tensor
per vertex



discrete conformal
parameterization

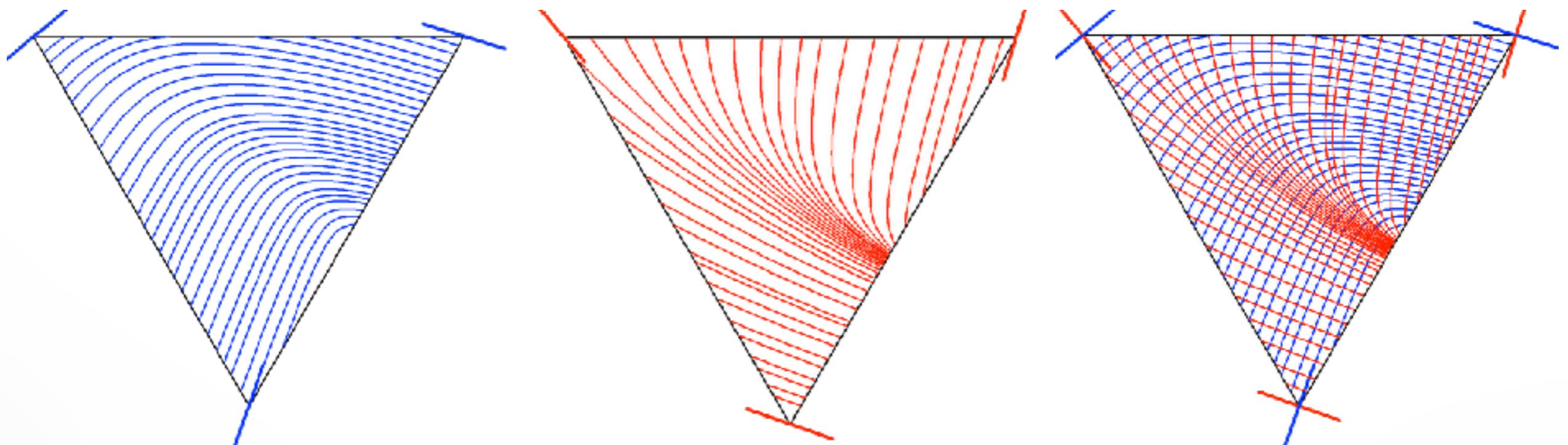
piecewise linear
interpolation of
2D tensors



2D tensor **field**
using barycentric
coordinates

2D direction fields

- Regular case



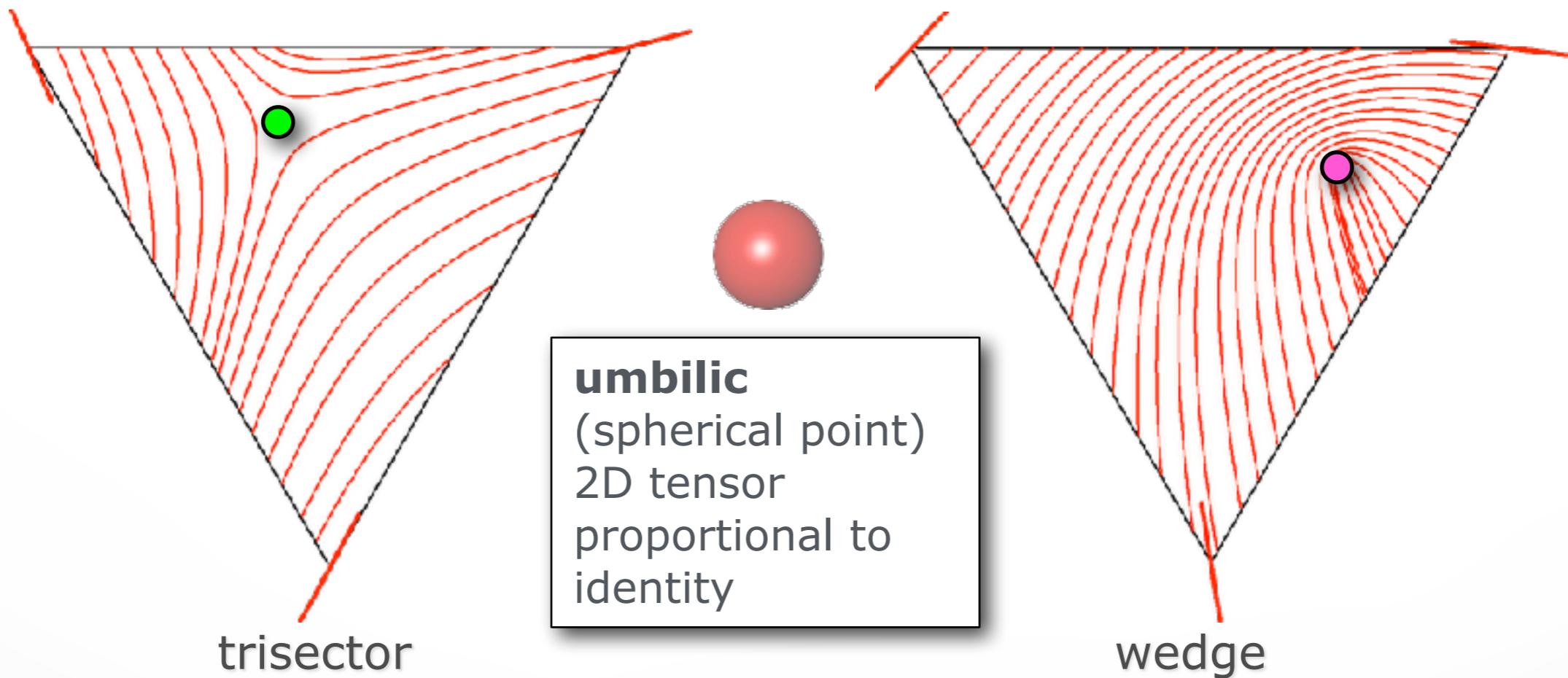
minor foliation

major foliation

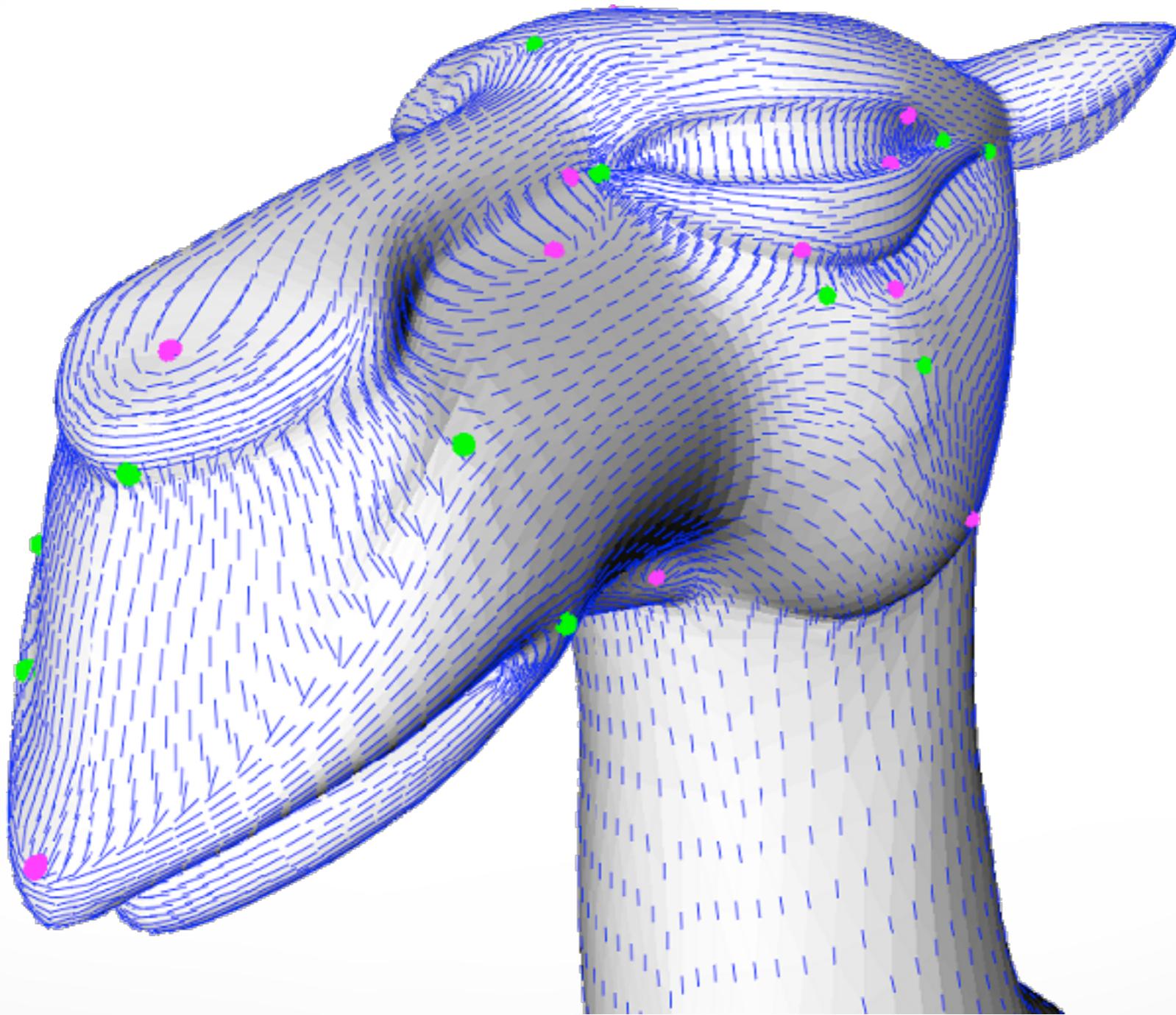
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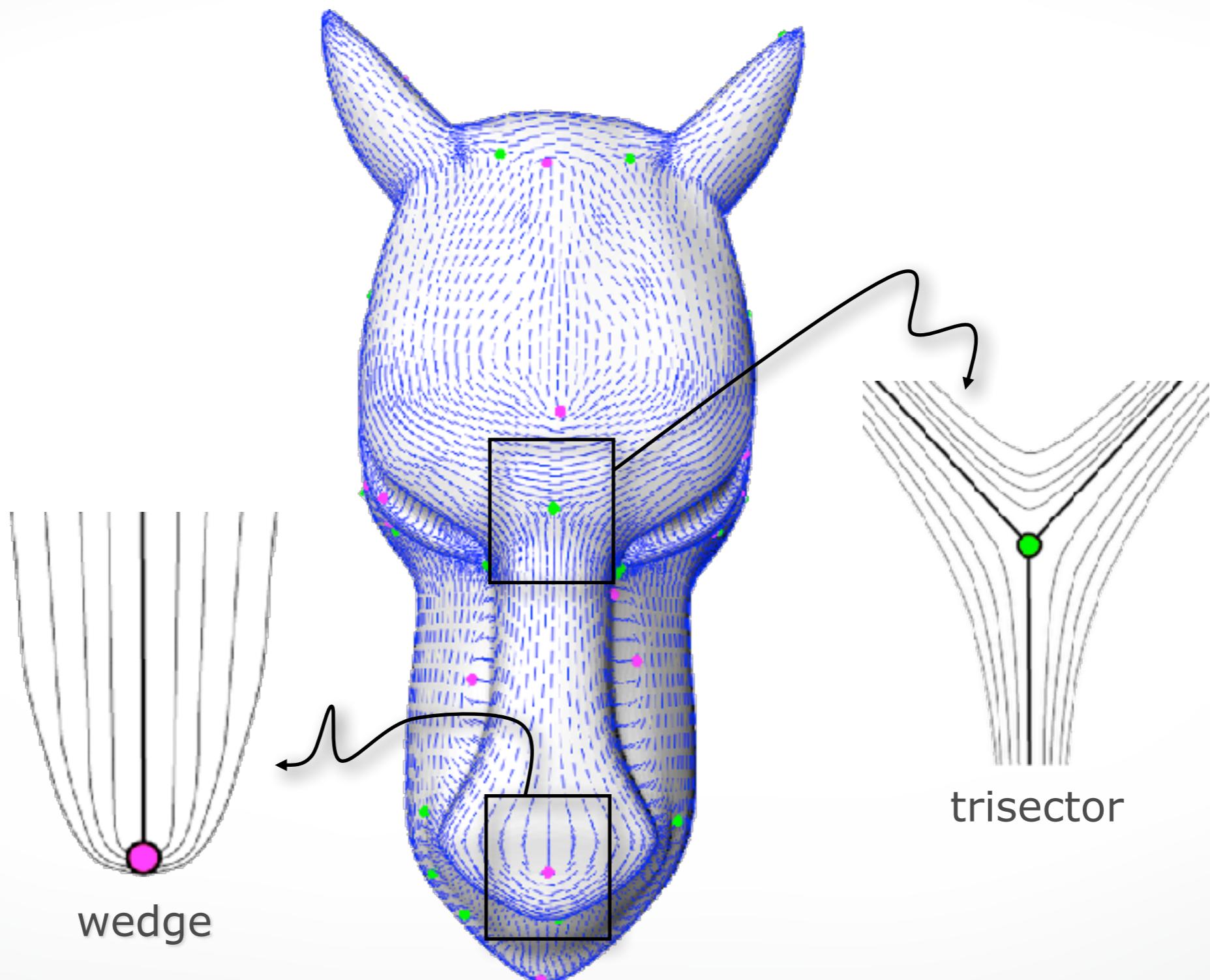
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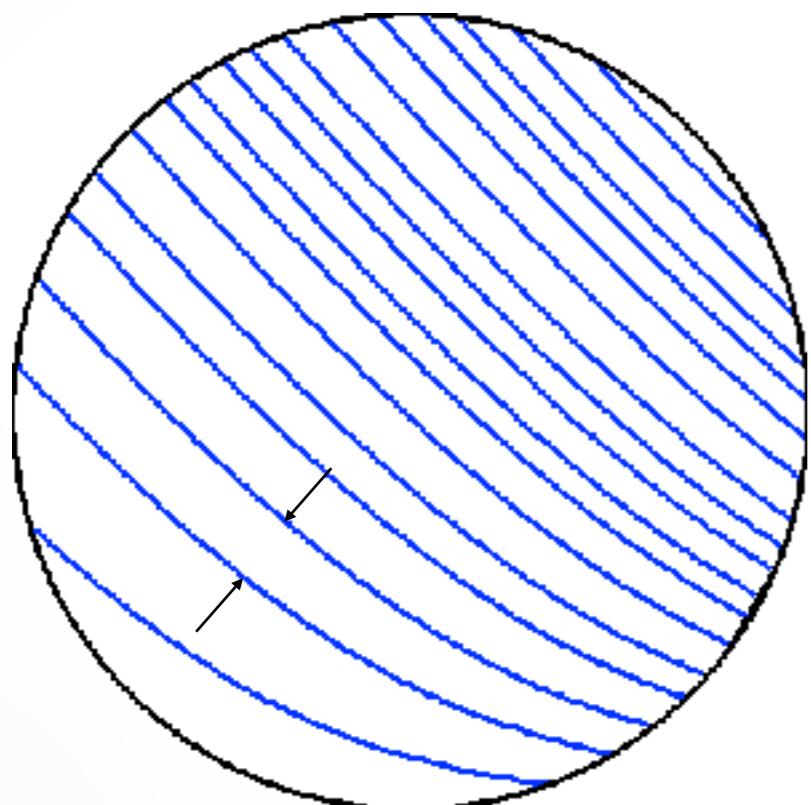
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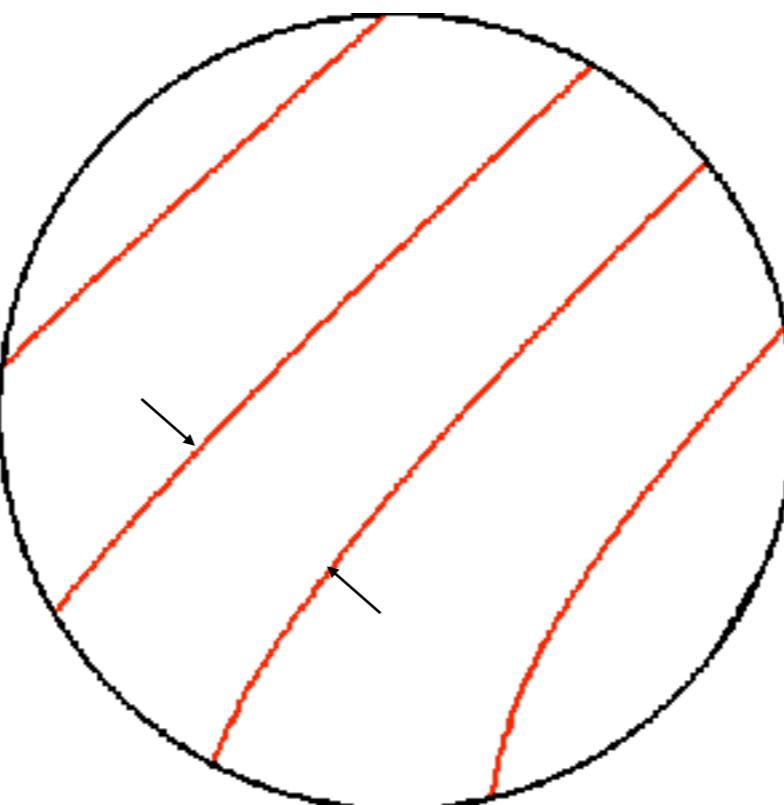
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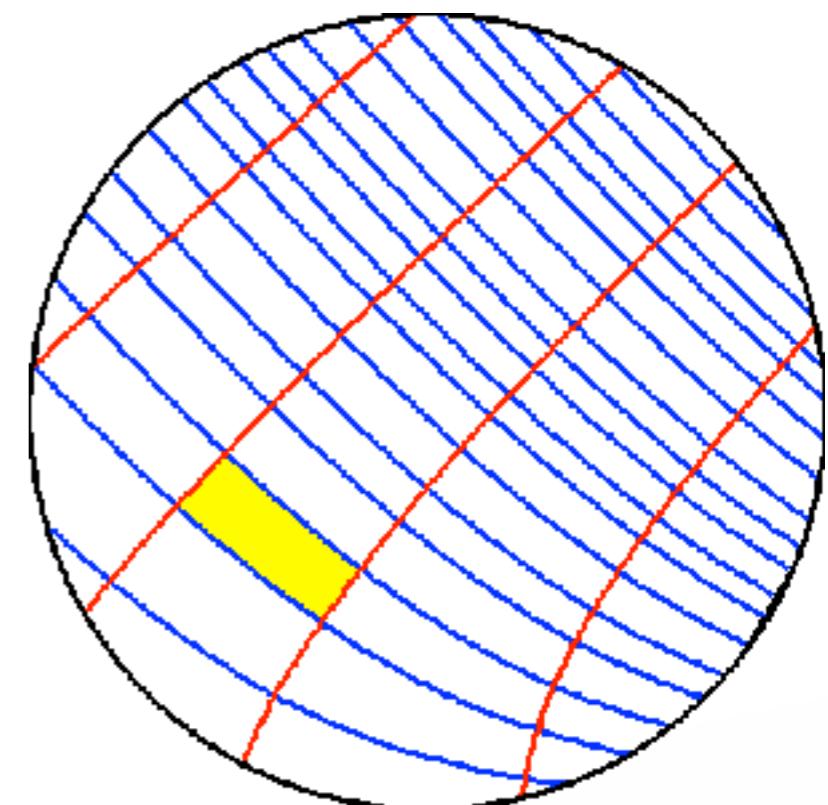
Lines of curvature



minor net

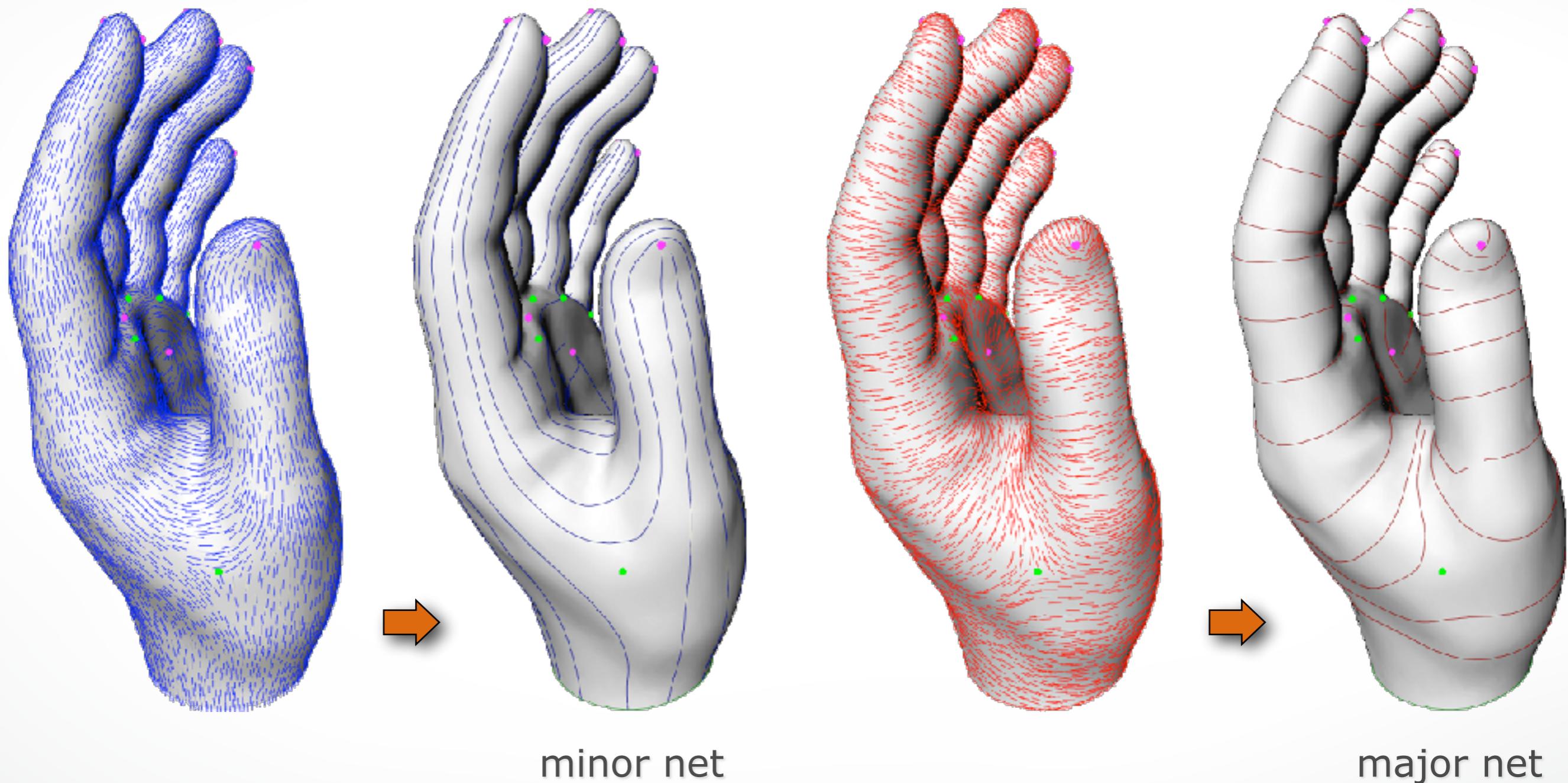


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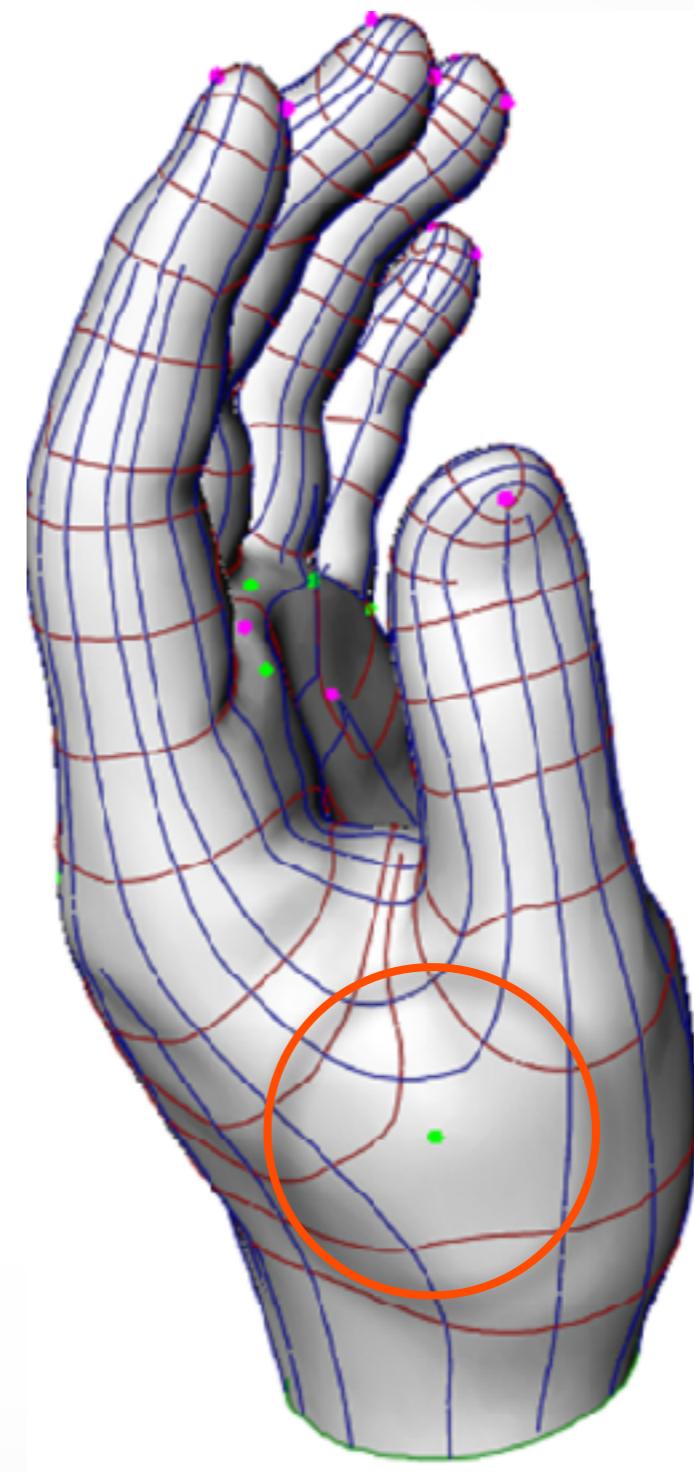
overlay

Lines of curvature

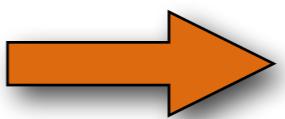
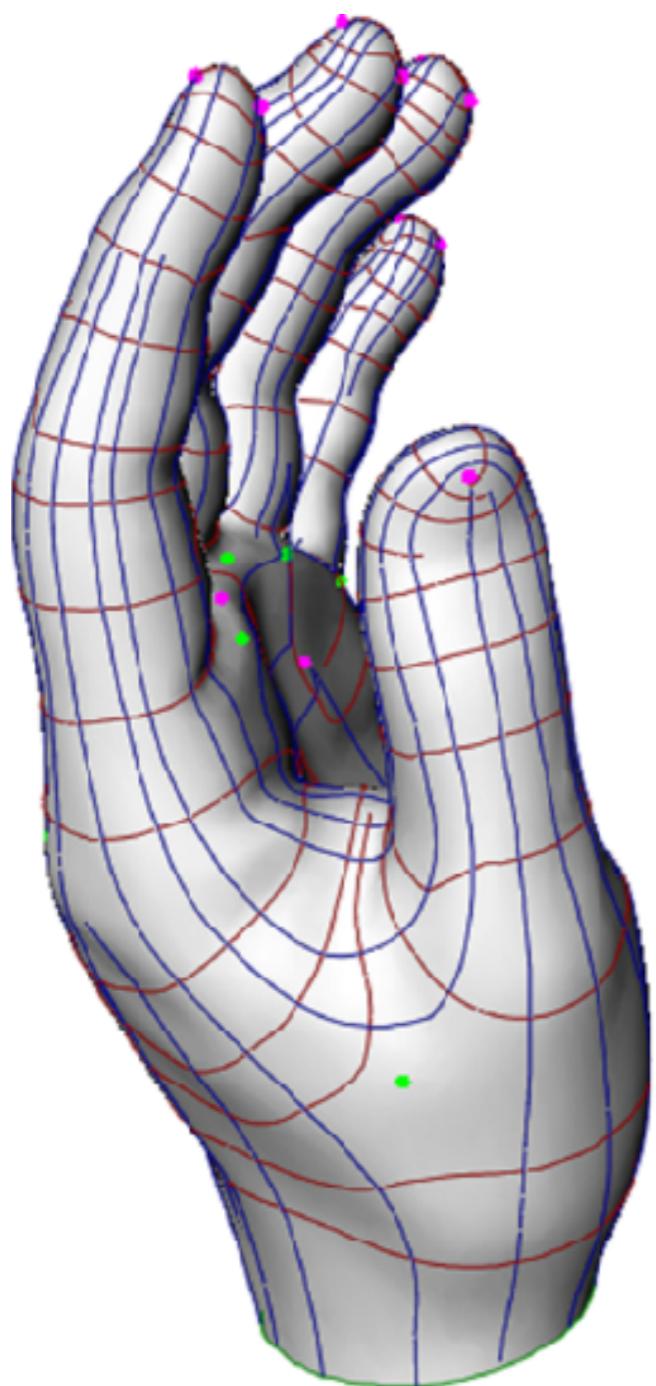


Overlay

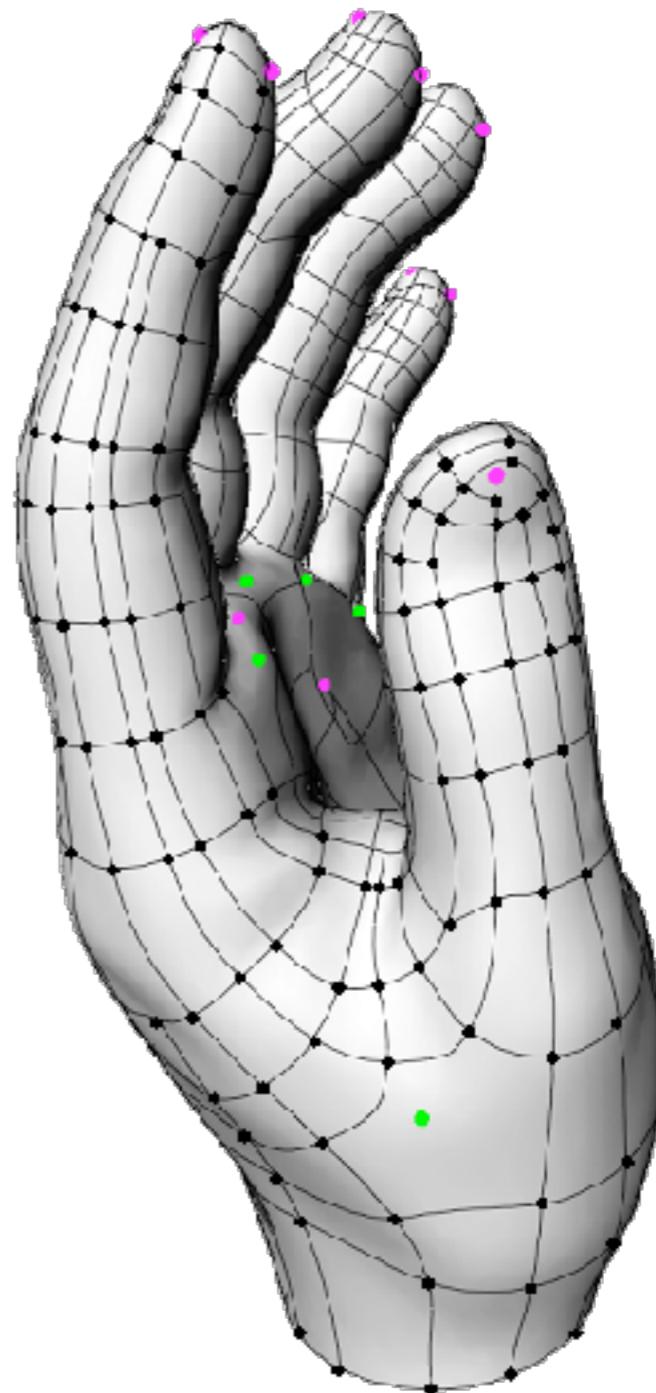
- Overlay curvature lines in anisotropic regions
- Add umbilical points in isotropic regions



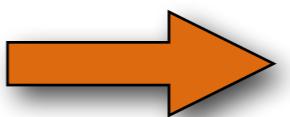
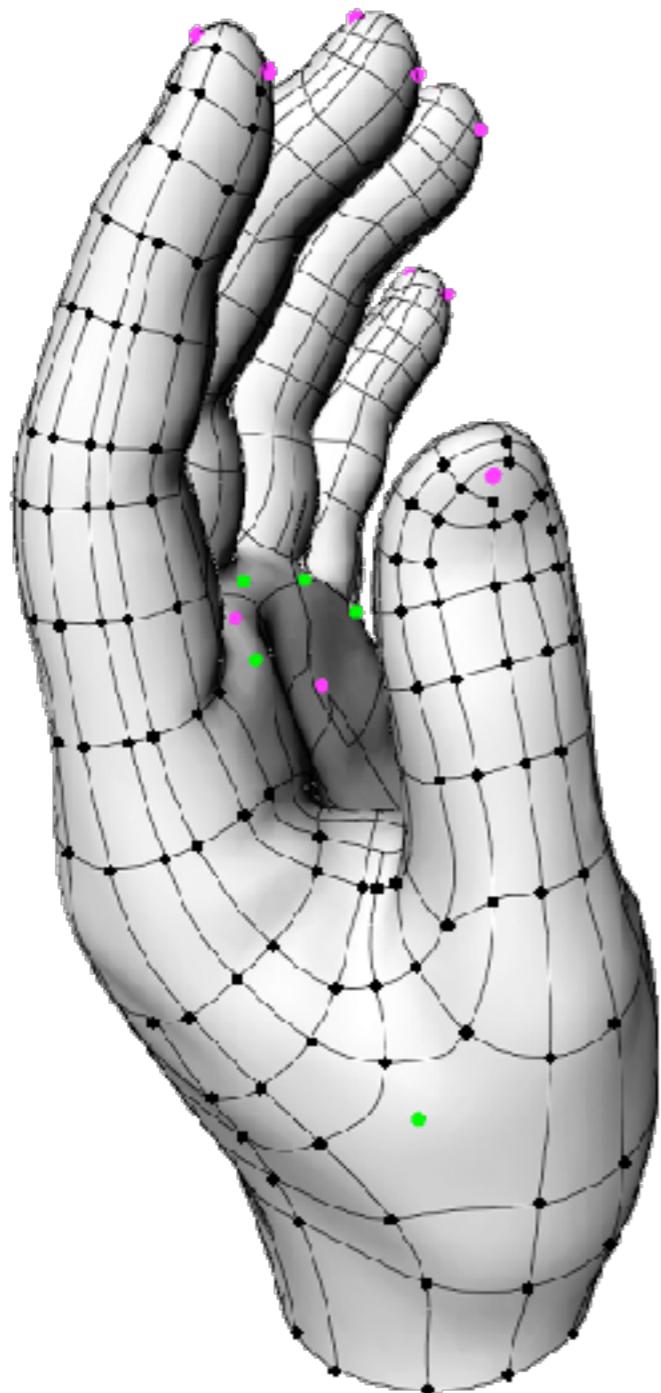
Vertices



intersect lines of
curvatures



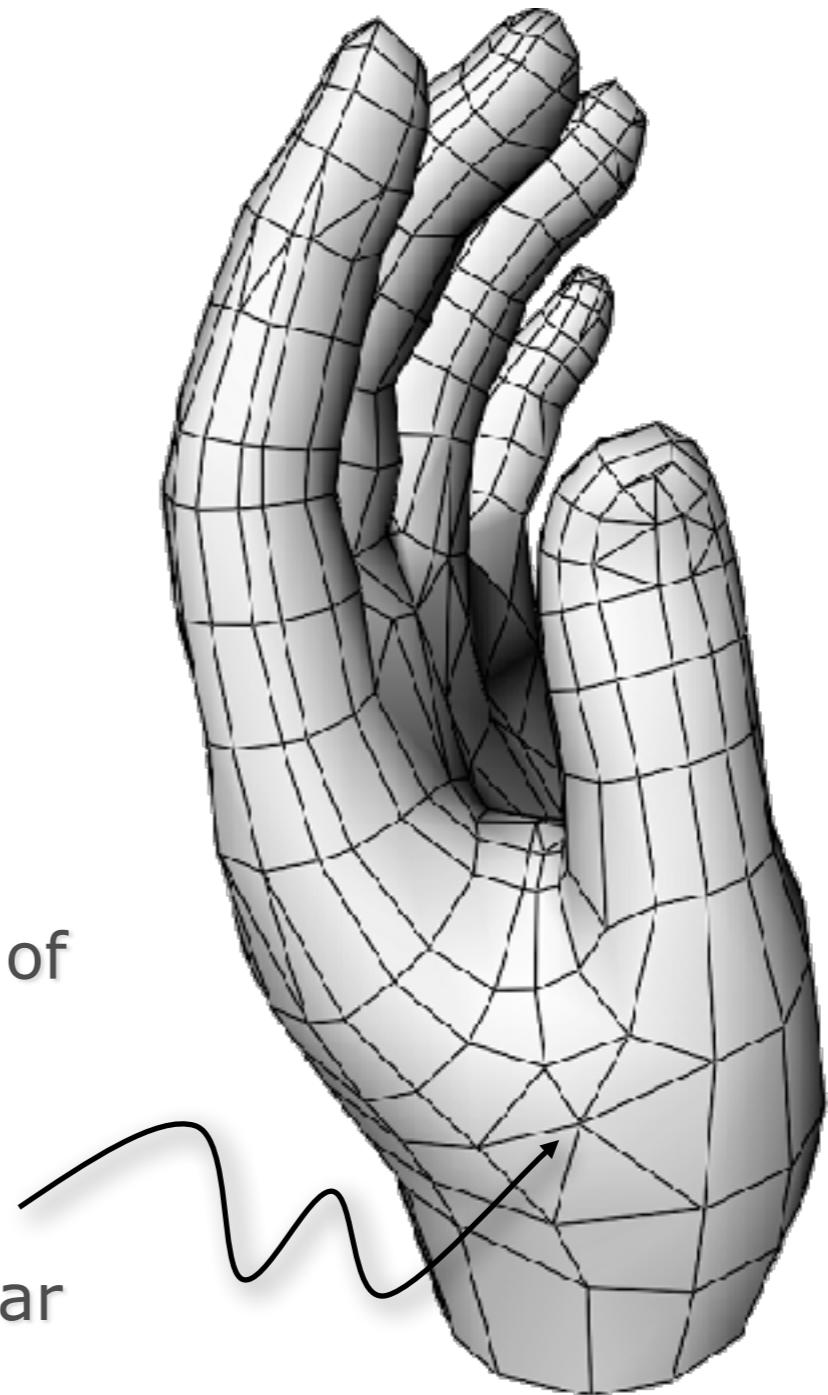
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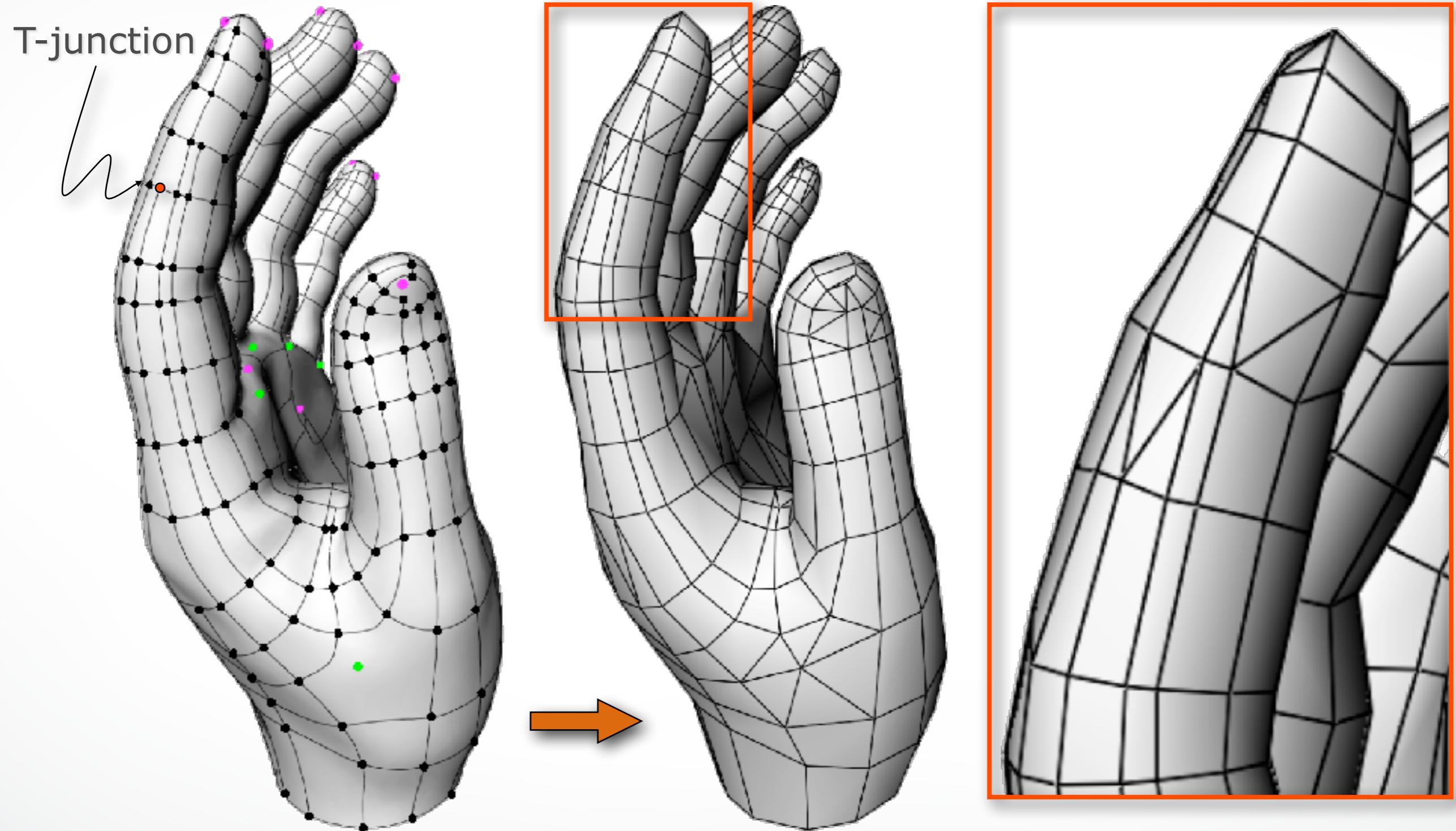
straighten lines of
curvatures

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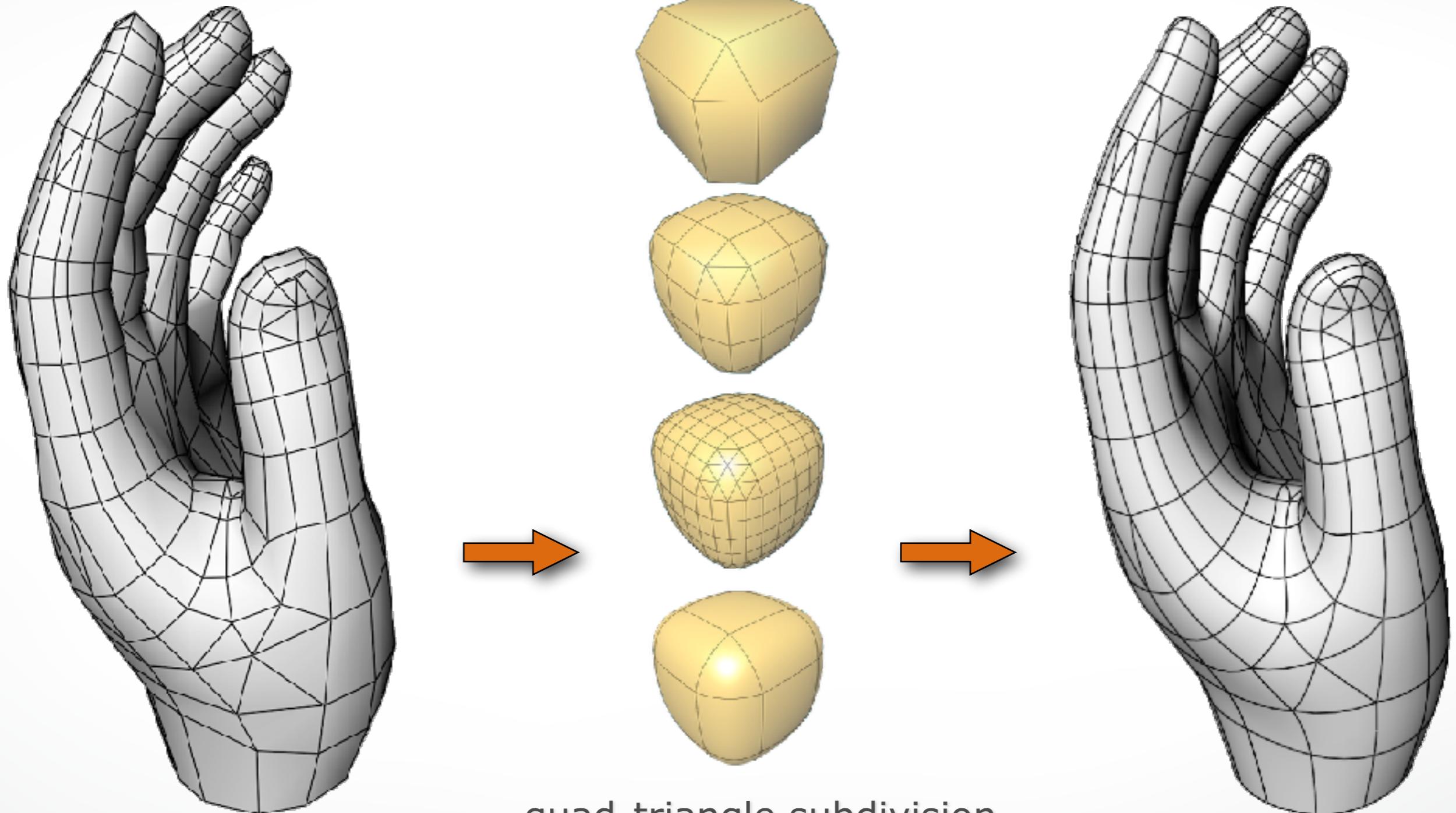
Delaunay
triangulation near
umbilics



Resolve T-junctions



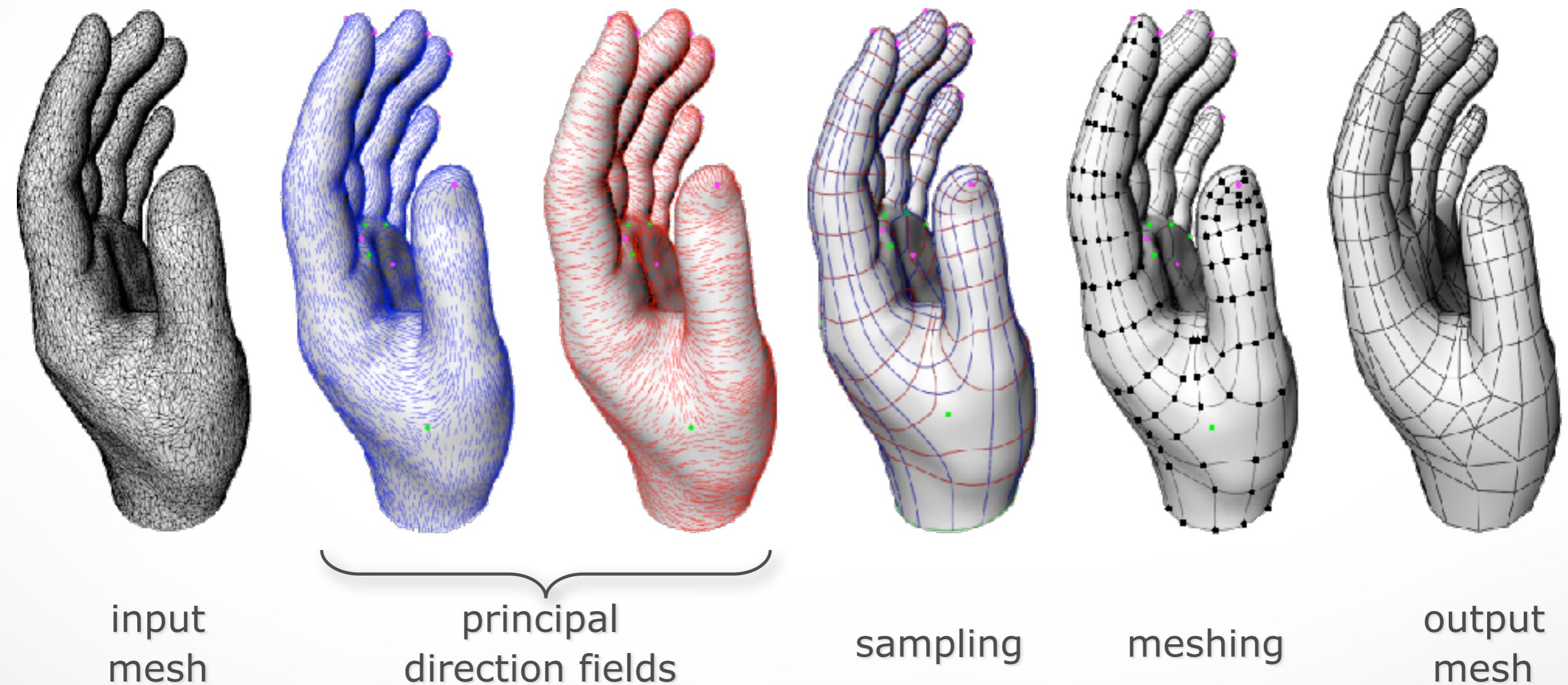
Smoothing



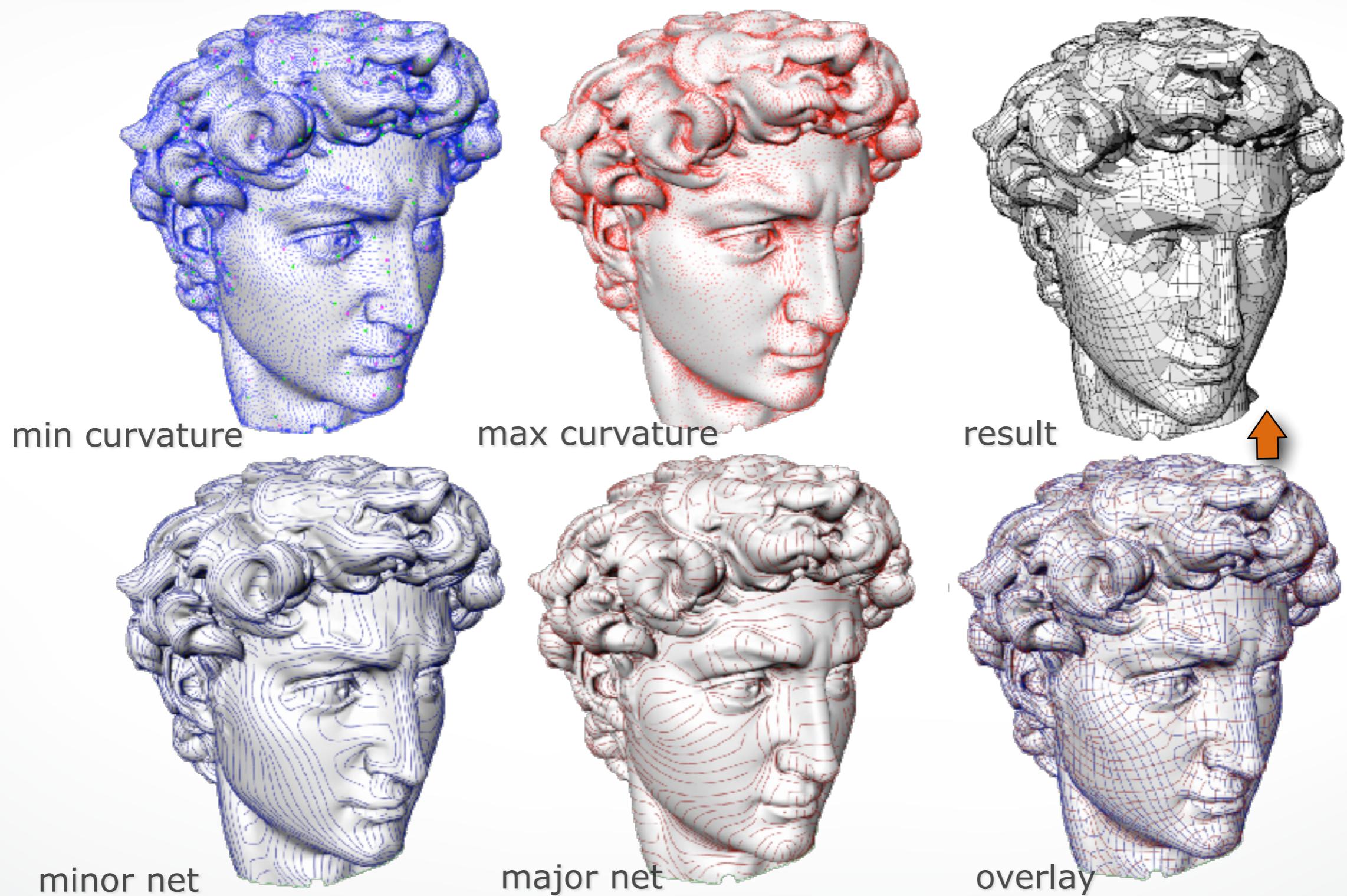
quad-triangle subdivision

Anisotropic remeshing

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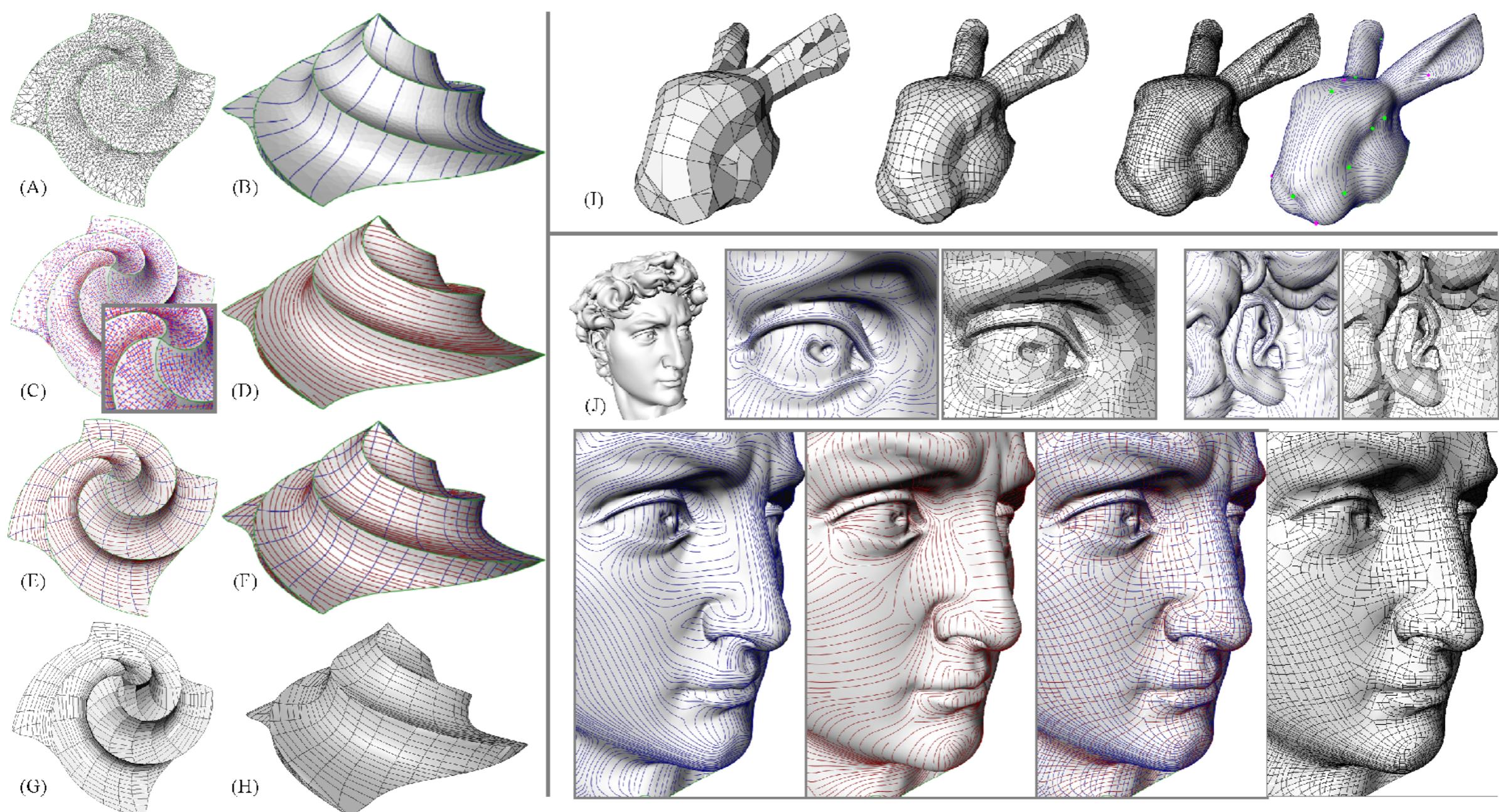


Remeshing results



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Tools

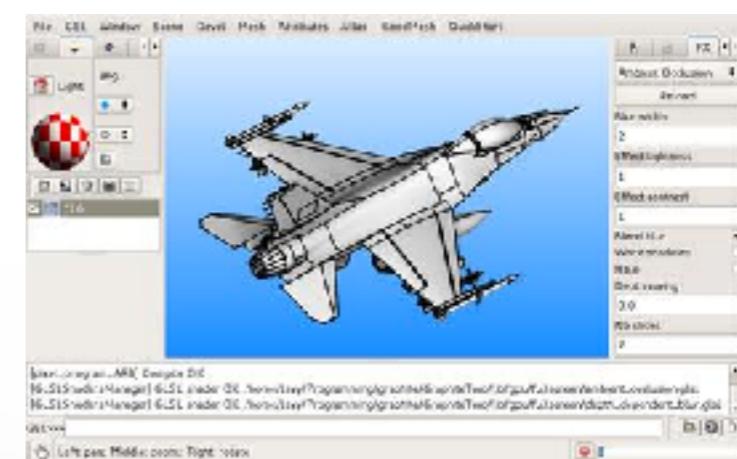
MeshLab

- meshlab.sourceforge.net
- open source
- available for Windows, MacOSX, and Linux



Graphite

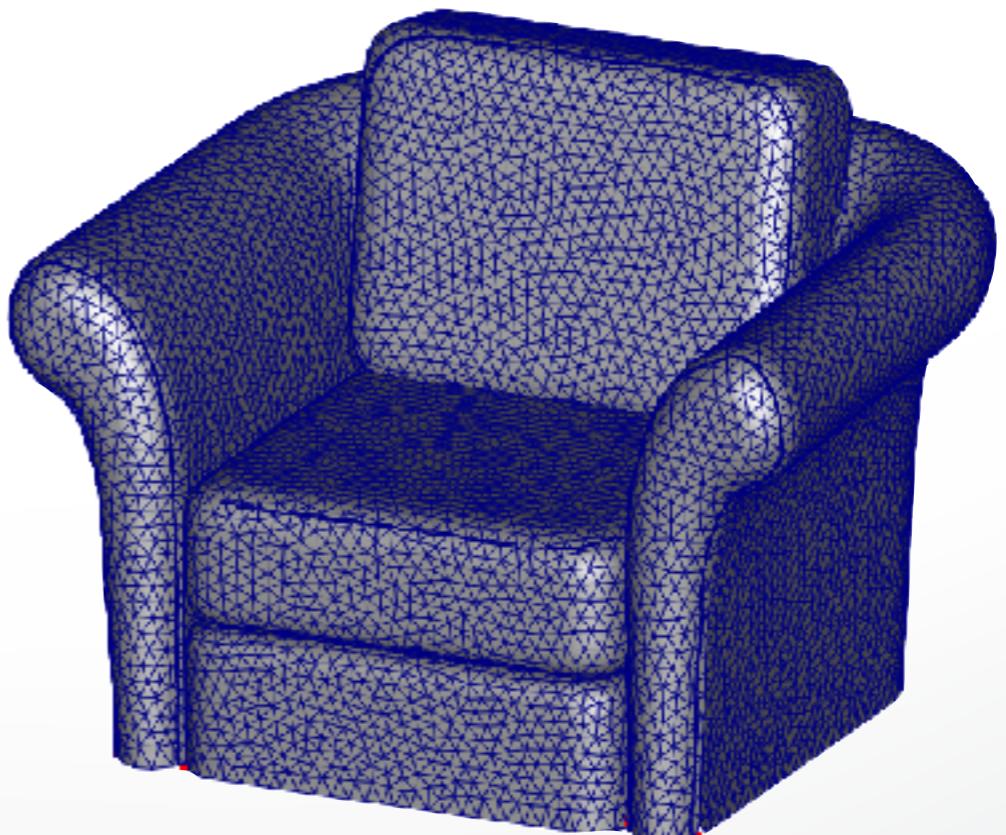
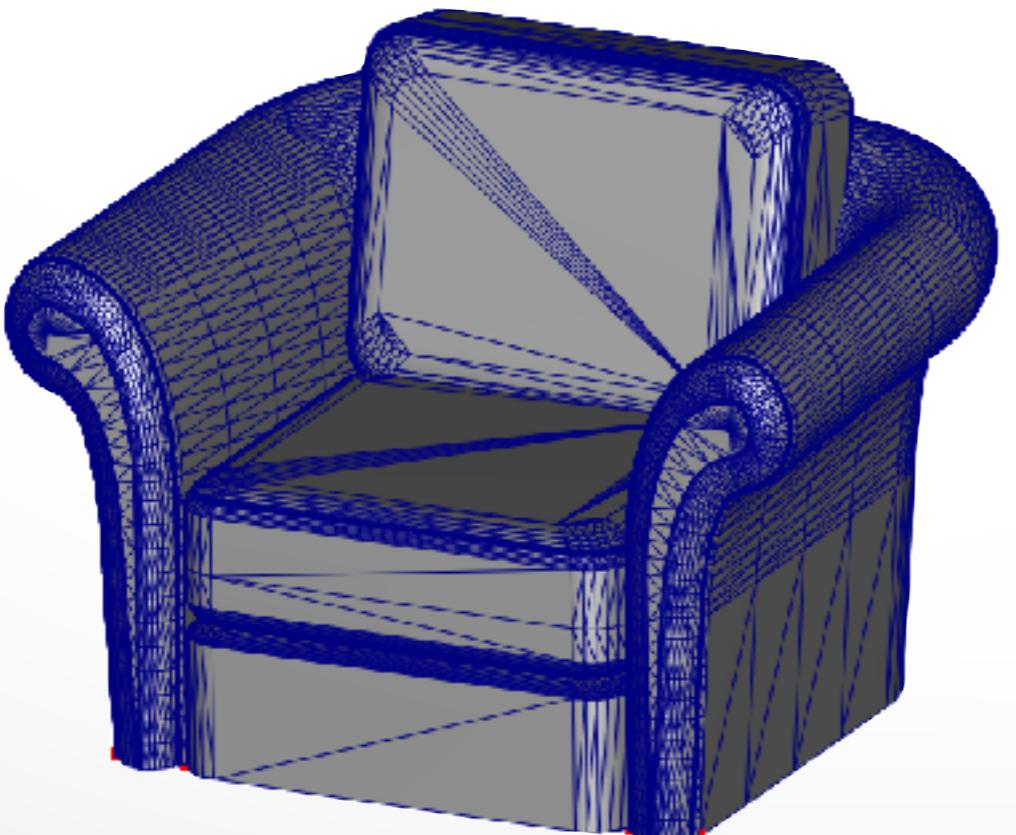
- <http://alice.loria.fr/index.php/software/3-platform/22-graphite.html>
- available for Windows
- MacOSX or Linux?



Remeshing via Graphite

“Mesh” → “remesh” → “pliant” →

- [Optional] flag border as feature
- [Optional] flag sharp edges as feature (dihedral angle)
- [Optional] estimate edge size (bounding box divisions)
- remesh (target edge length)



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