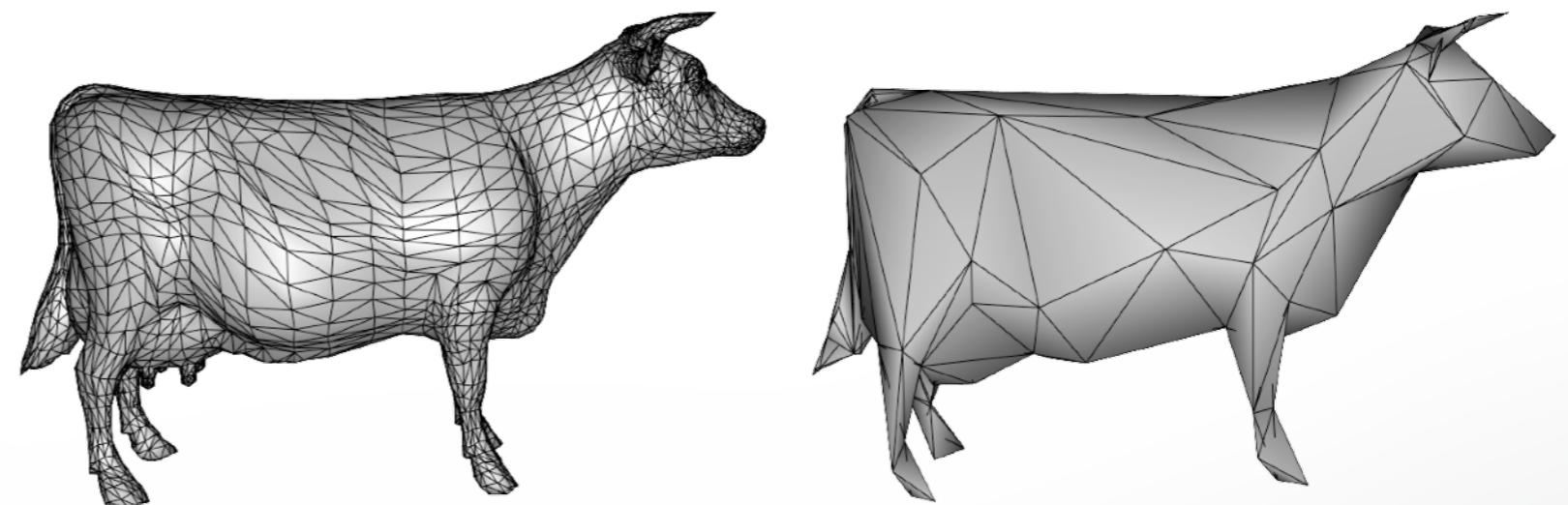


## Exercise 5. Mesh Decimation



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# Mesh Decimation

- Vertex clustering
- Iterative decimation
  - Initialize error quadrics [Garland, Heckbert 97]
  - Construct priority queue
  - Edge collapse

# Error Quadrics

- Sum of squared distances to planes

$$\mathbf{p} = (x, y, z, 1)^T, \quad \mathbf{q} = (a, b, c, d)^T$$

$$\text{dist}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p})^2 = (\mathbf{q}^T \mathbf{p})^2 = \mathbf{p}^T (\mathbf{q} \mathbf{q}^T) \mathbf{p} =: \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{Q}_\mathbf{q} \mathbf{p}$$

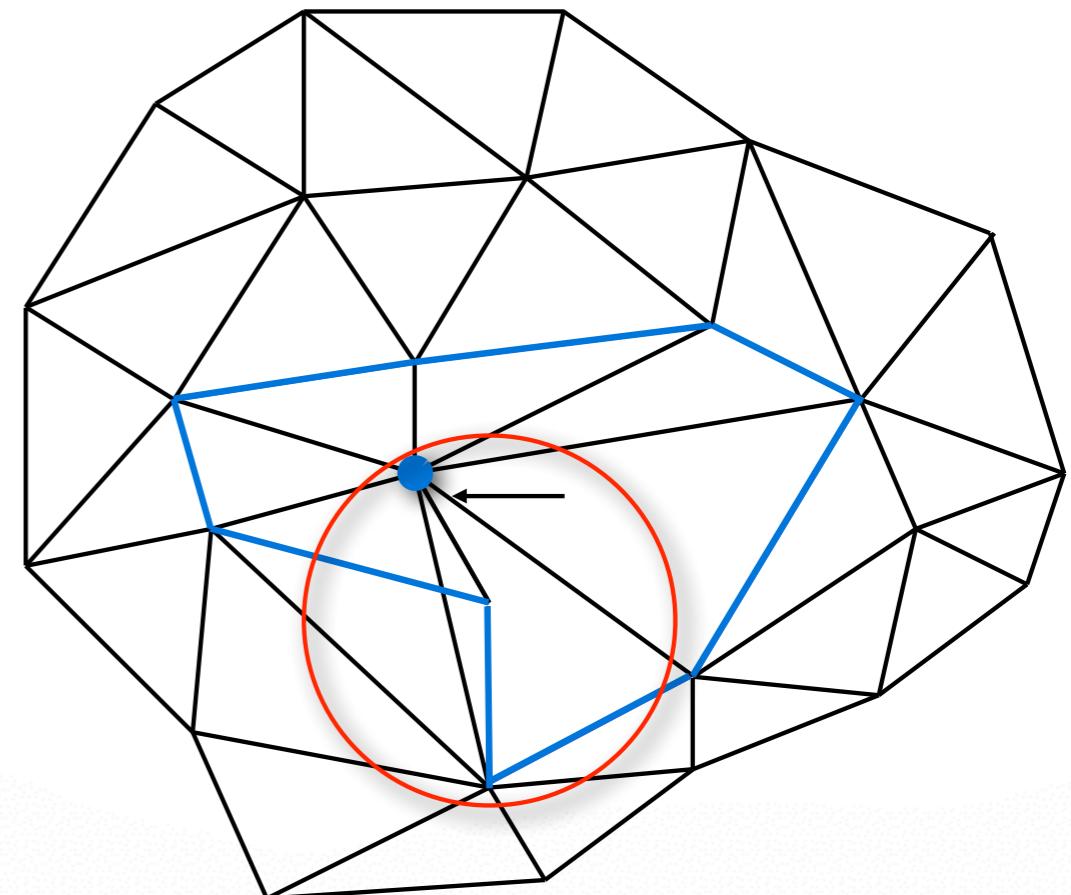
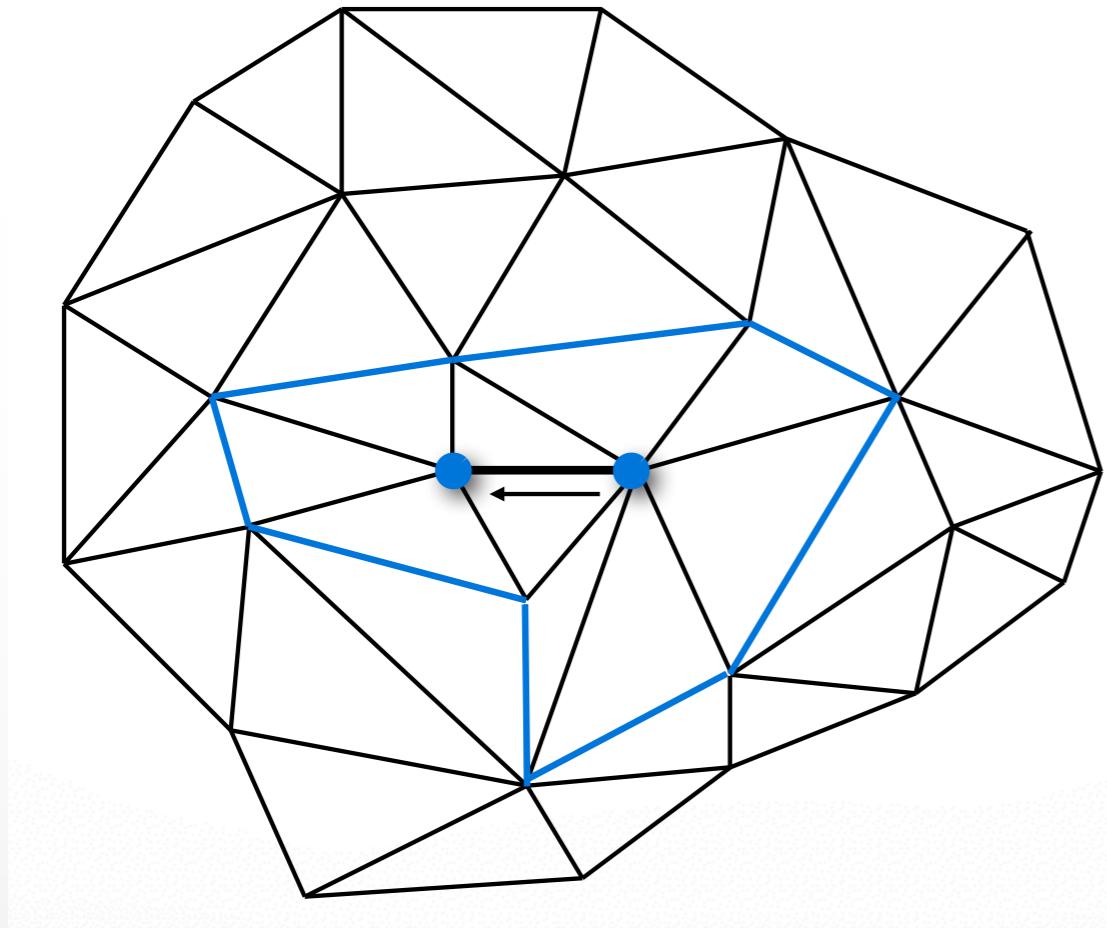
- After collapsing edge, simply add the corresponding quadrics  $\mathbf{Q}_3 = \mathbf{Q}_1 + \mathbf{Q}_2$
- `init()` in `deci.cc`

# Priority Queue

- Pick an adjacent halfedge (or target vertex) to collapse for each vertex
  - avoid edge flipping
  - sort by contraction error

# Priority Queue

- Avoid normal flipping
  - test if normal is flipped after edge collapse
  - `is_collapse_legal()` in `deci.cc`



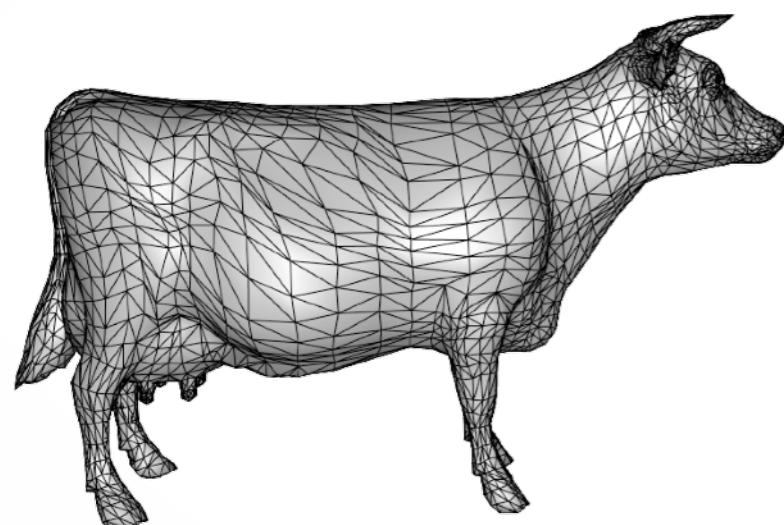
# Priority Queue

- Update priority by the **contraction error** defined by the error quadrics
- `priority()` in `deci.cc`

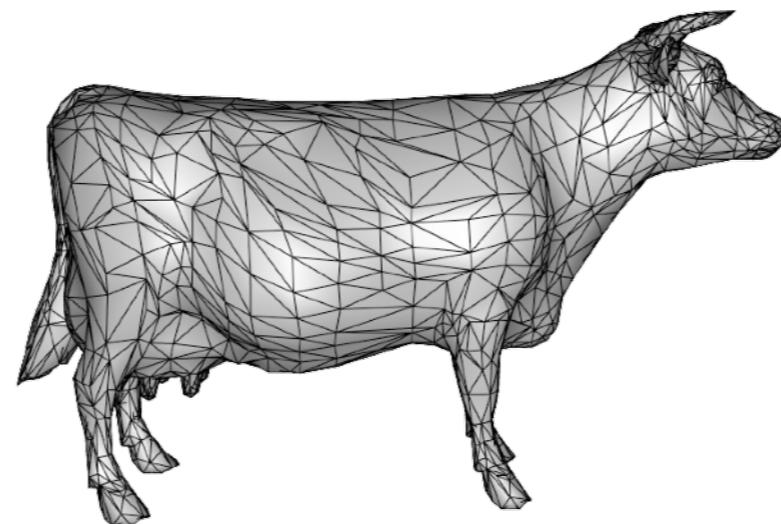
# Edge Collapse

- Pop the first element from the queue
- Perform collapse
- Update queue
- decimate () in deci.cc

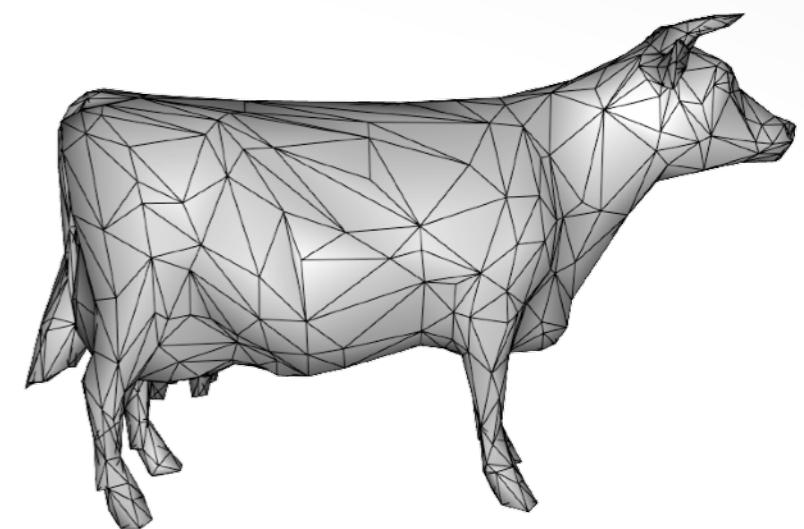
# Result



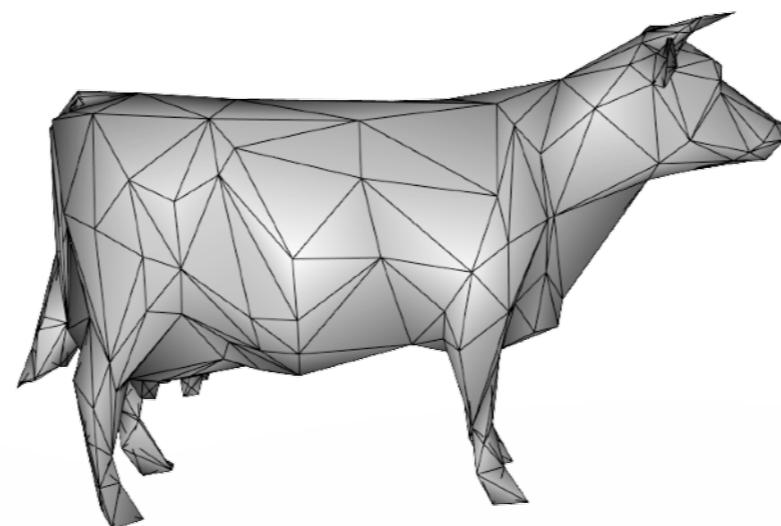
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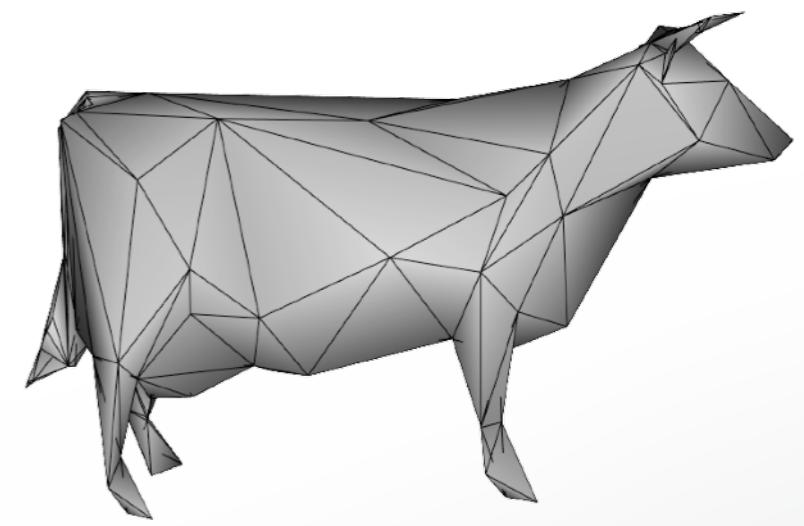
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# Submission

- Deadline: **Apr 3, 2018 12:00pm**
- Upload a .zip compressed file named “Exercise5-YourName.zip” to
  - Blackboard
- Include a “read.txt” file describing how you solve each exercise and the encountered problems

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**Thanks!**

