

# Lecture 8:

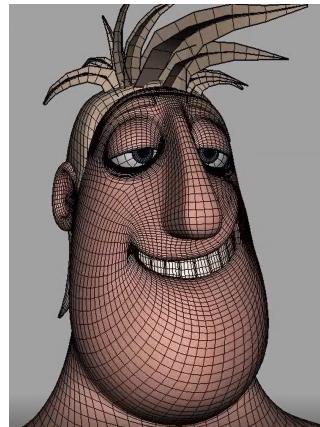
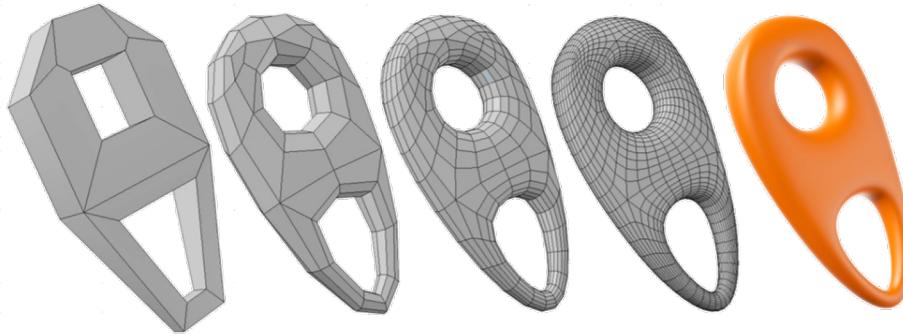
# Geometry —— Mesh

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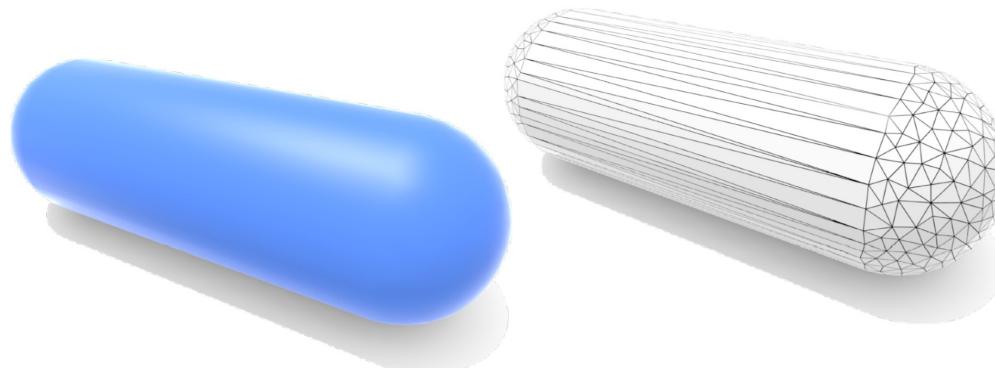
# Review: Many Explicit Representations in Graphics

- ▶ Triangle/Quad meshes
- ▶ Bezier surfaces
- ▶ Subdivision surfaces
- ▶ NURBS
- ▶ Point cloud
- ▶ ...



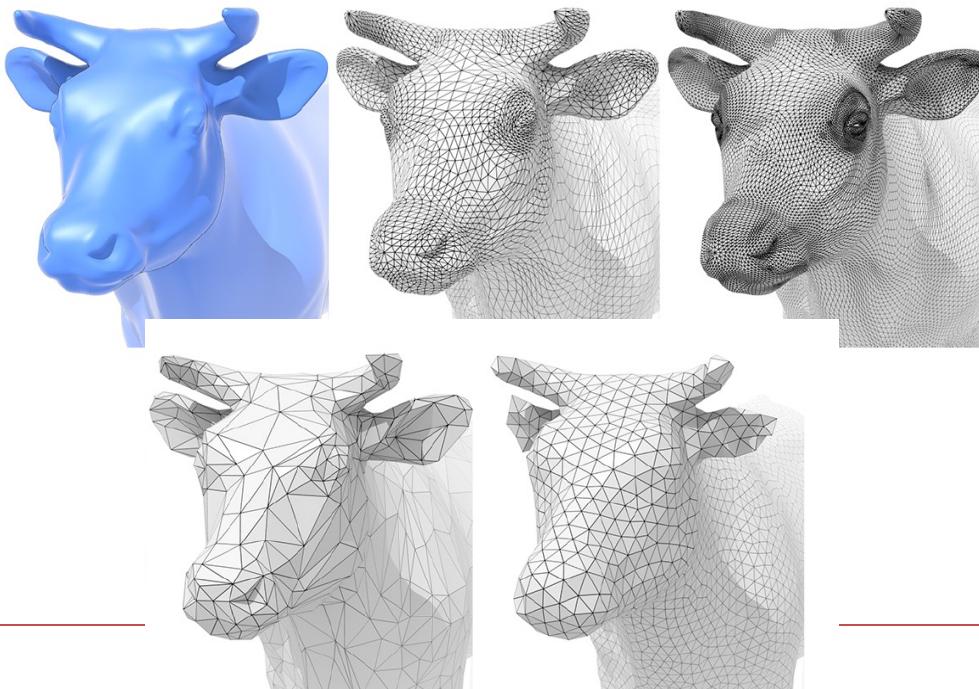
## Review: Polygon Mesh (Explicit)

- ▶ Store vertices & polygons (often triangles or quads)
- ▶ Easier to do processing / simulation, adaptive sampling
- ▶ More complicated data structures
- ▶ Perhaps most common representation in graphics



# Polygon Mesh (Explicit)

- ▶ Store vertices & polygons (often triangles or quads)



# The Wavefront Object File Format (.obj)

- ▶ Commonly used in Graphics research
- ▶ Just a text file that specifies vertices, normals, texture coordinates **and their connectivities**

```
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40 f 2/9/3 6/10/3 3/5/3
41 f 6/10/4 7/6/4 3/5/4
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43 f 5/1/6 6/10/6 2/9/6
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46 f 1/2/8 2/9/8 3/13/8
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- ▶ Basic Concepts
- ▶ Mesh Operations
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    - ▶ Half-edge
    - ▶ Edge flip, Edge split, Edge collapse
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# 网格相关基本概念

## ▶ 网格的描述

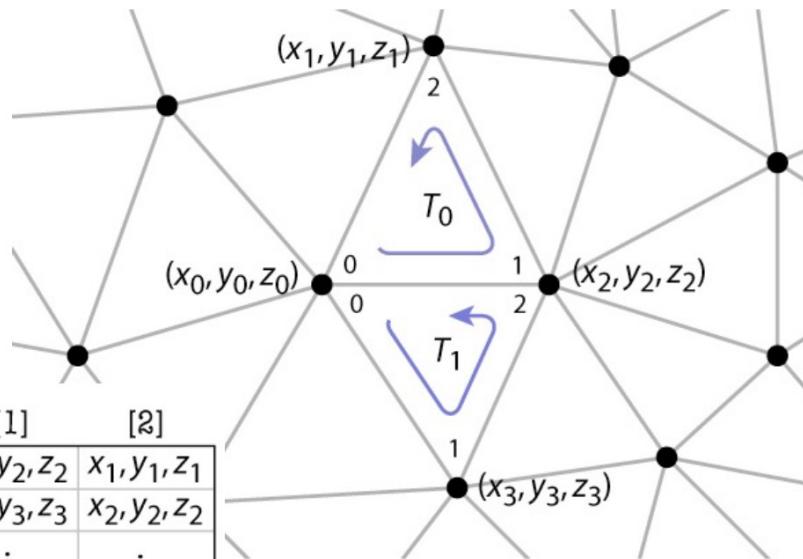
- ▶ 一系列的面片  $F = (f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n)$ 
  - ▶ 每一个面片都是三角形
- ▶ 一系列的顶点  $V = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$
- ▶  $F$  中的每个面片是  $V$  中顶点的序列组

e.g.

$$f_1: (v_1, v_2, v_3), f_2: (v_4, v_5, v_6),$$

$$f_3: (v_7, v_8, v_9), \dots$$

# List of Triangles

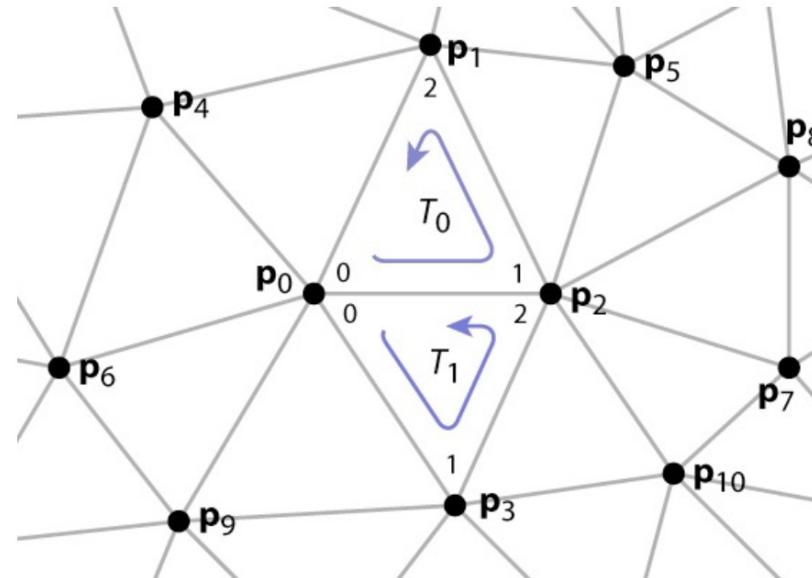


	[0]	[1]	[2]
tris[0]	$x_0, y_0, z_0$	$x_2, y_2, z_2$	$x_1, y_1, z_1$
tris[1]	$x_0, y_0, z_0$	$x_3, y_3, z_3$	$x_2, y_2, z_2$
	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$

# Lists of Points / Indexed Triangle

verts[0]	$x_0, y_0, z_0$
verts[1]	$x_1, y_1, z_1$
	$x_2, y_2, z_2$
	$x_3, y_3, z_3$
$\vdots$	

tInd[0]	0, 2, 1
tInd[1]	0, 3, 2
$\vdots$	



# 网格表示的由来

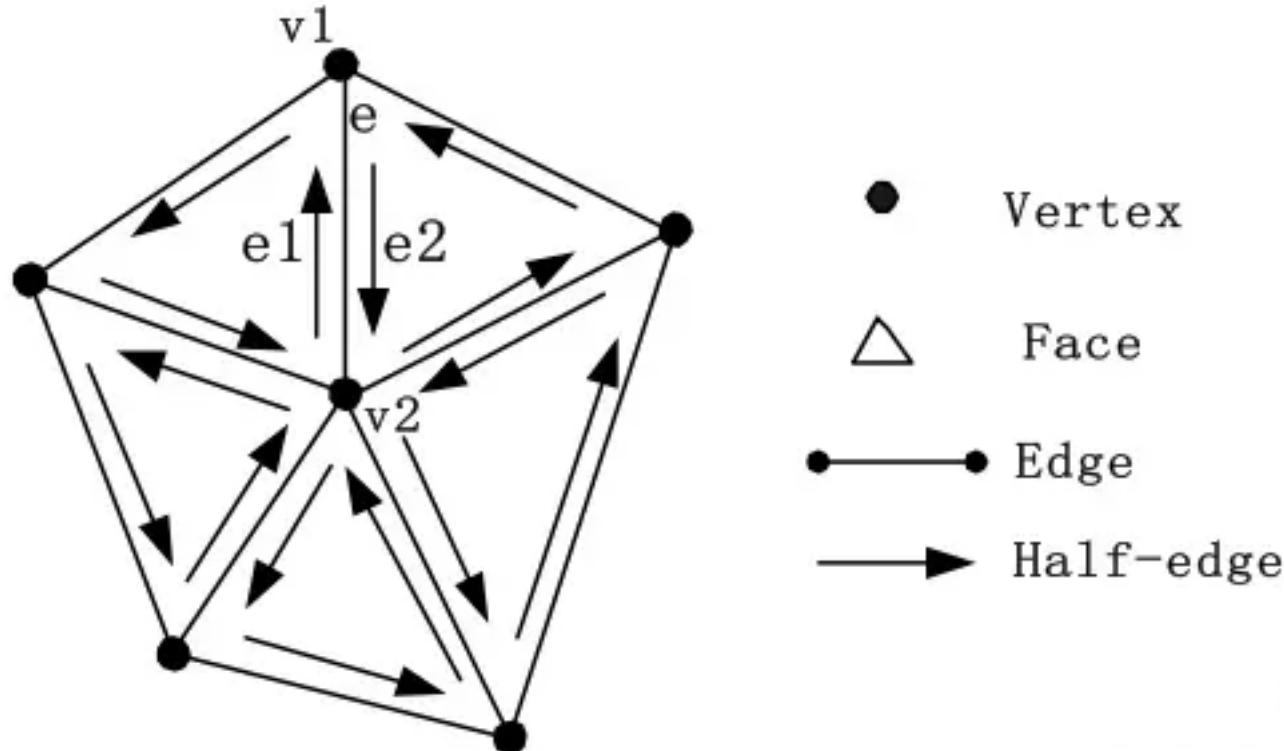
- ▶ 计算机产生的三维模型和实际获取的数据的表示模式不同
- ▶ 图形学中需要一个统一的表示方式
- ▶ 视觉精度和处理速度需要在可以接受的范围之内
- ▶ 由于图形硬件的快速发展, 我们已经能够快速地进行光栅化（rasterize）和渲染（render）基于三角网格表示的模型

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# Part 1 Local Mesh Operations

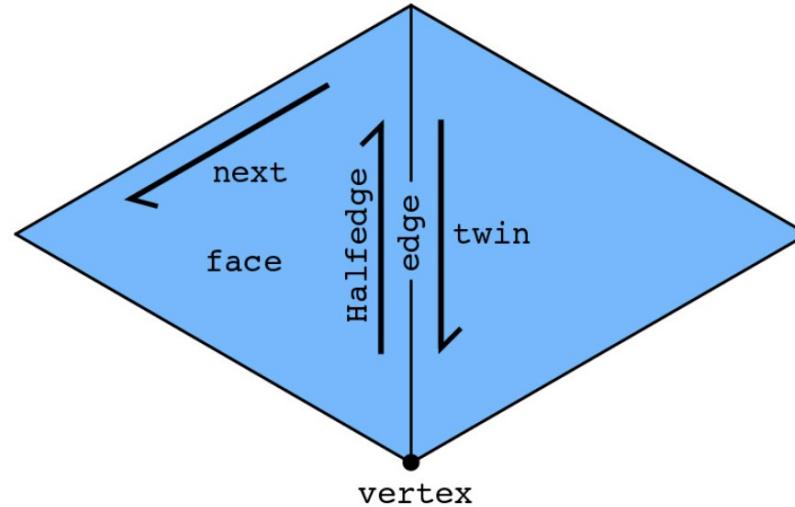
## Half-edge 半边



# Half-edge Data Structure

```
struct Halfedge {  
    Halfedge *twin,  
    Halfedge *next;  
    Vertex *vertex;  
    Edge *edge;  
    Face *face;  
}  
  
struct Vertex {  
    Point pt;  
    Halfedge *halfedge;  
}  
  
struct Edge {  
    Halfedge *halfedge;  
}  
  
struct Face {  
    Halfedge *halfedge;  
}
```

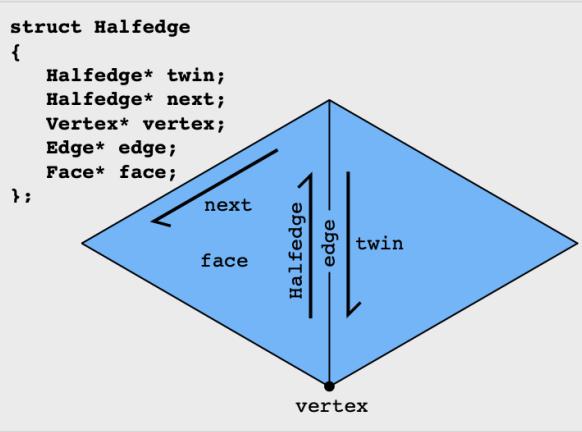
**Key idea: two half-edges act as “glue” between mesh elements**



**Each vertex, edge and face points to one of its half edges**

# Half-edge Data Structure (linked-list-like)

- Store some information about neighbors
- Don't need an exhaustive list; just a few key pointers
- Key idea: two *halfedges* act as “glue” between mesh elements:



```
struct Edge
{
    Halfedge* halfedge;
};
```

```
struct Face
{
    Halfedge* halfedge;
};
```

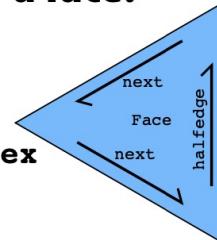
```
struct Vertex
{
    Halfedge* halfedge;
};
```

- Each vertex, edge face points to just one of its halfedges.

# Half-edge makes mesh traversal easy

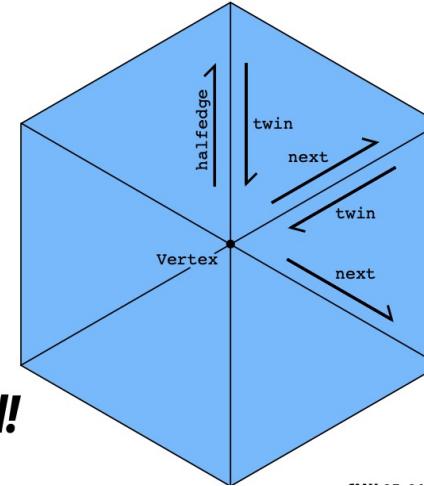
- Use “twin” and “next” pointers to move around mesh
- Use “vertex”, “edge”, and “face” pointers to grab element
- Example: visit all vertices of a face:

```
Halfedge* h = f->halfedge;  
do {  
    h = h->next;  
    // do something w/ h->vertex  
}  
while( h != f->halfedge );
```



- Example: visit all neighbors of a vertex:

```
Halfedge* h = v->halfedge;  
do {  
    h = h->twin->next;  
}  
while( h != v->halfedge );
```

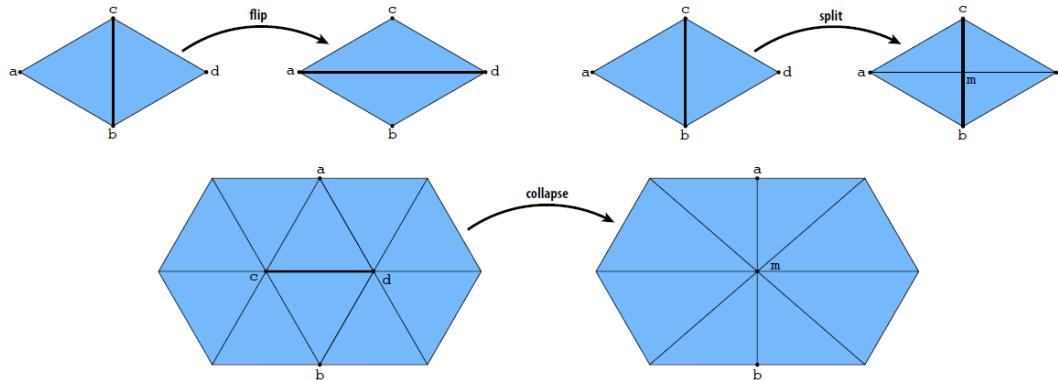


- Note: only makes sense if mesh is *manifold*!

# Local Mesh Editing

Basic operations for linked list: insert, delete

Basic ops for half-edge mesh: flip, split, collapse edges

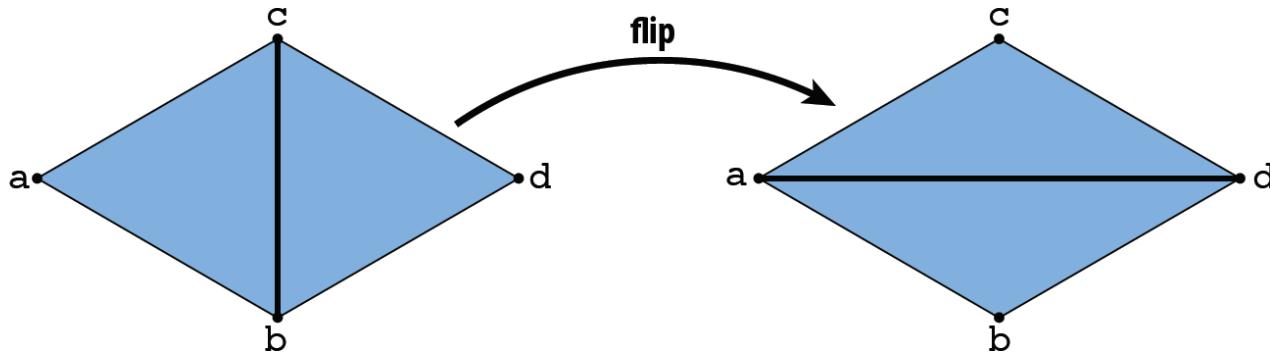


Allocate / delete elements; reassign pointers

(Care needed to preserve mesh manifold property)

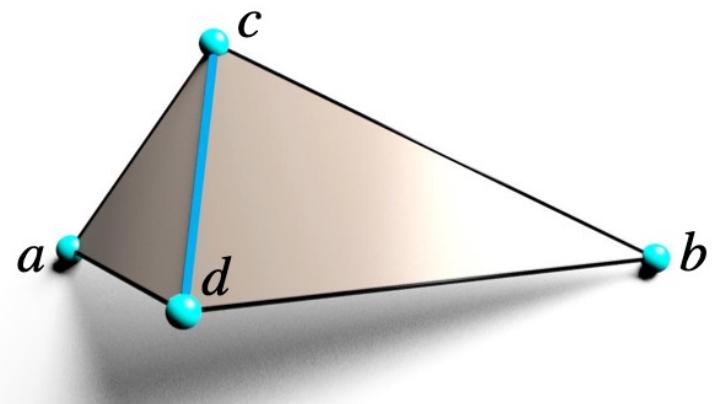
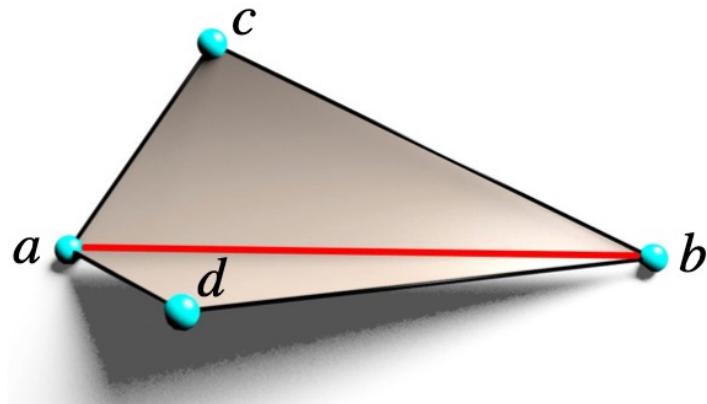
# Edge Flip

- Triangles  $(a,b,c)$ ,  $(b,d,c)$  become  $(a,d,c)$ ,  $(a,b,d)$ :



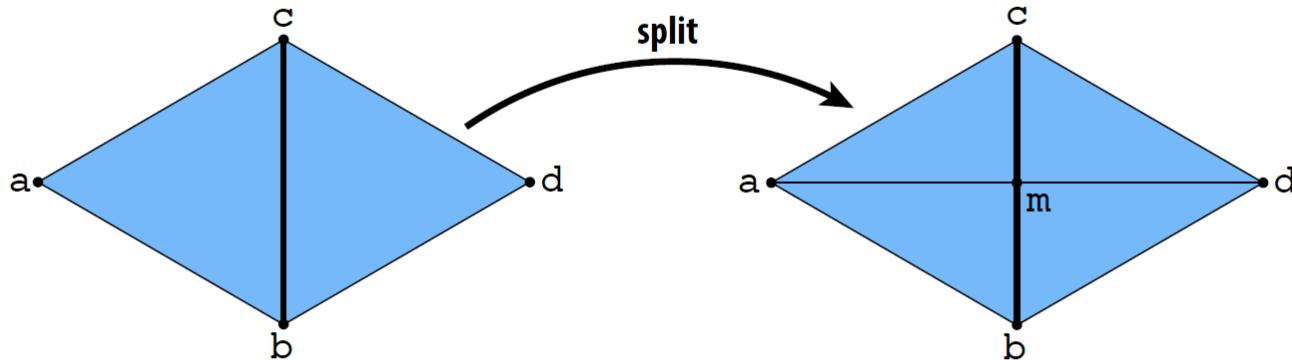
- Long list of pointer reassignments
- However, no elements created/destroyed.

# Edge Flip



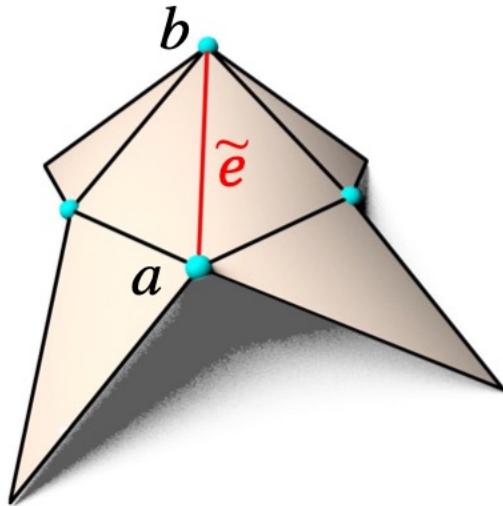
# Edge Split

- Insert midpoint  $m$  of edge  $(c,b)$ , connect to get four triangles:

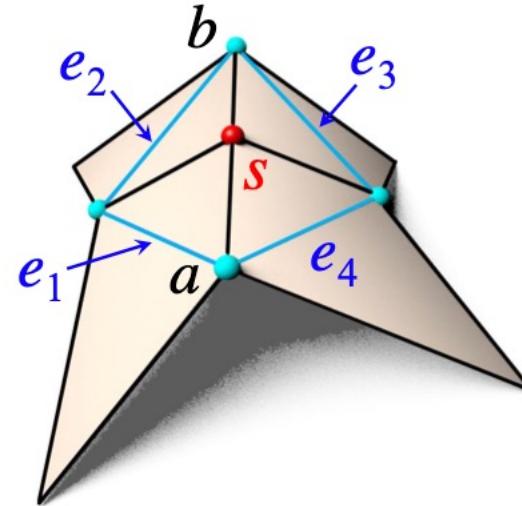


- This time have to add elements
- Again, many pointer reassessments

# Edge Split



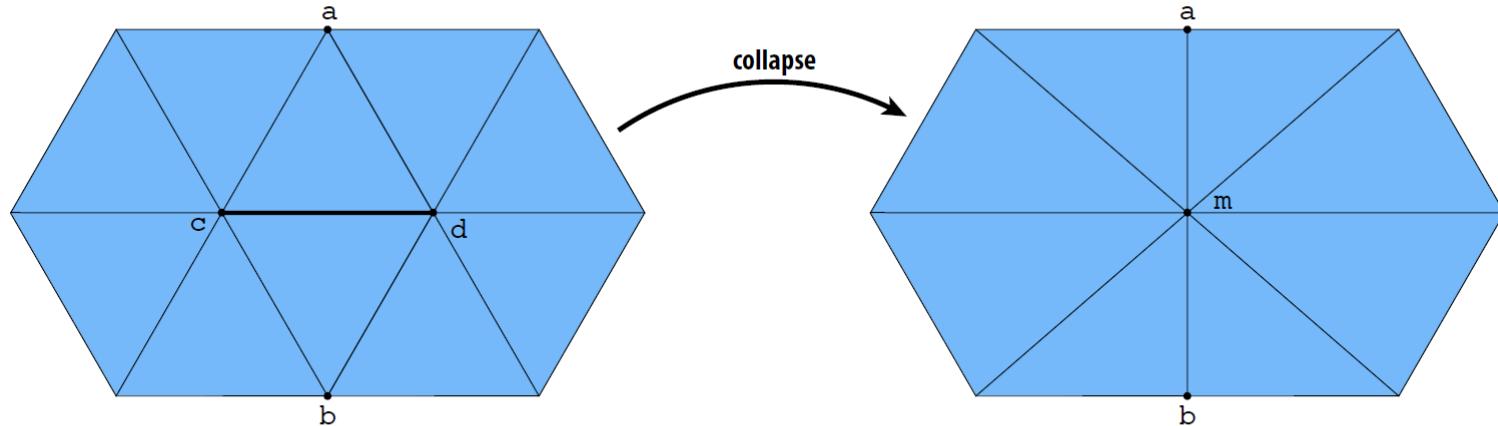
(a)



(b)

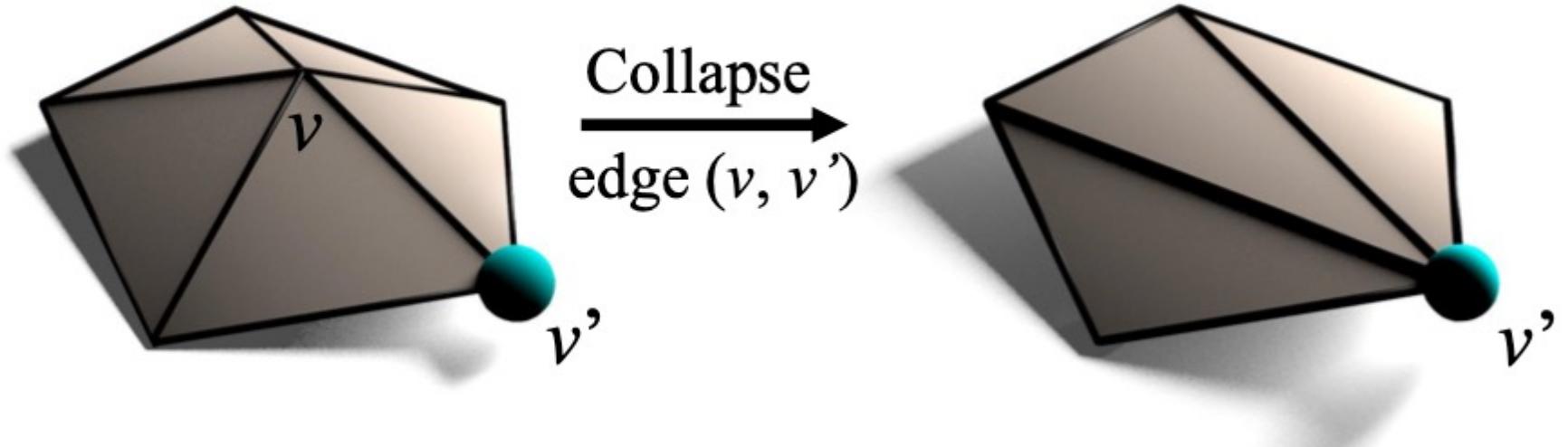
# Edge Collapse

- Replace edge  $(c,d)$  with a single vertex  $m$ :



- This time have to delete elements
- Again, many pointer reassessments

## Edge Collapse

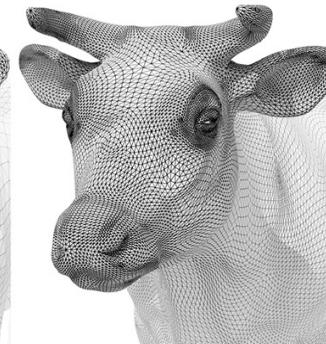
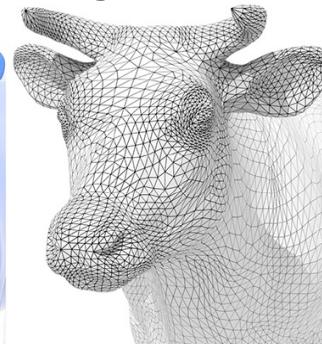


# Part 2 Global Mesh Operations

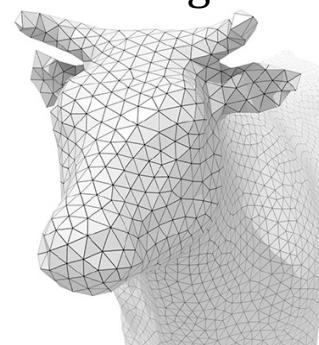
# Mesh Operations



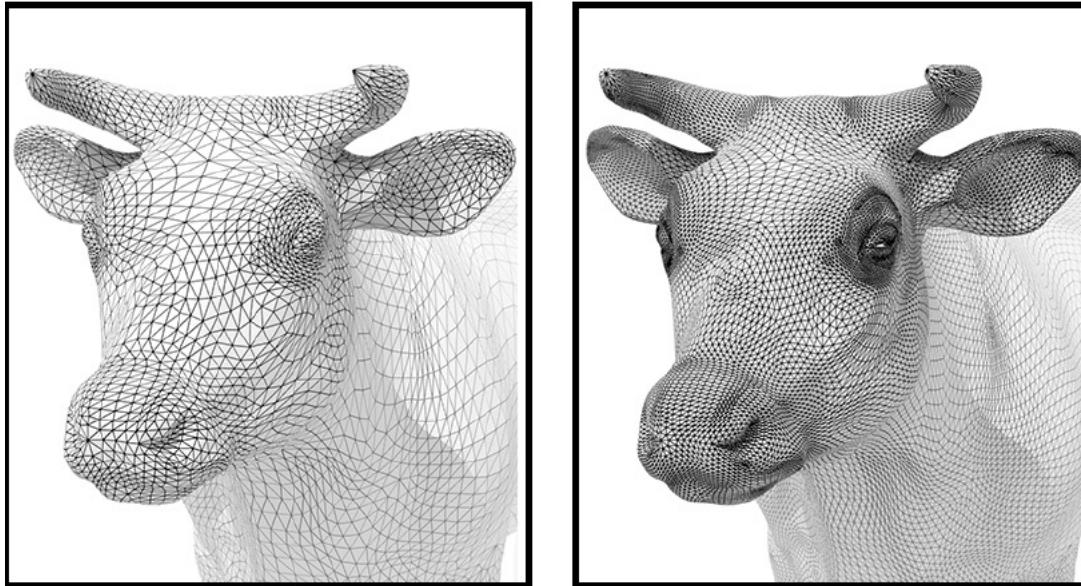
Original mesh Mesh subdivision



Mesh Simplification Mesh Regularization

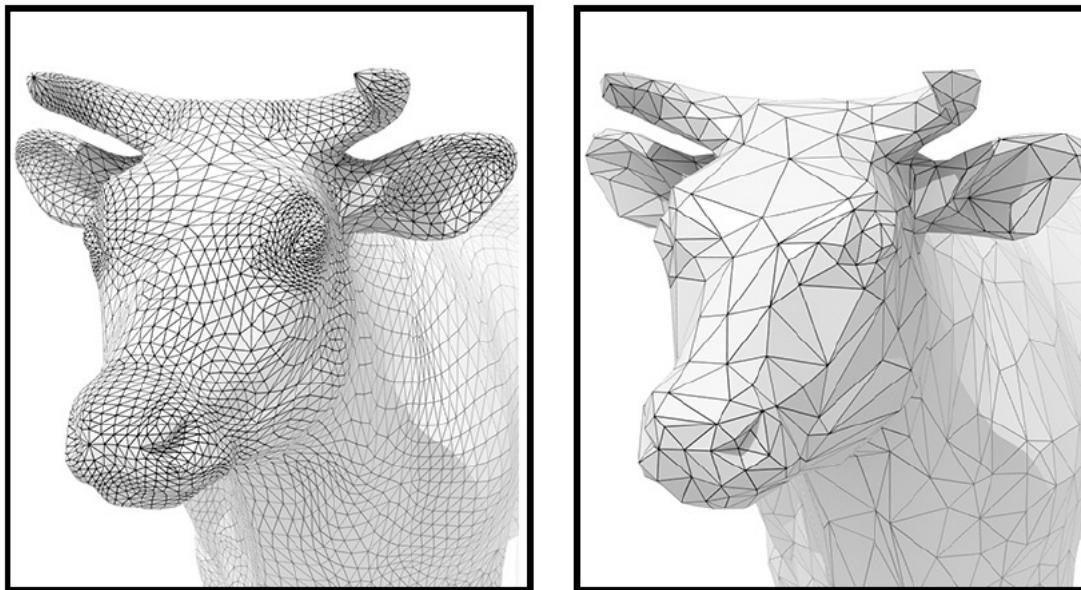


# Mesh Subdivision (Upsampling)



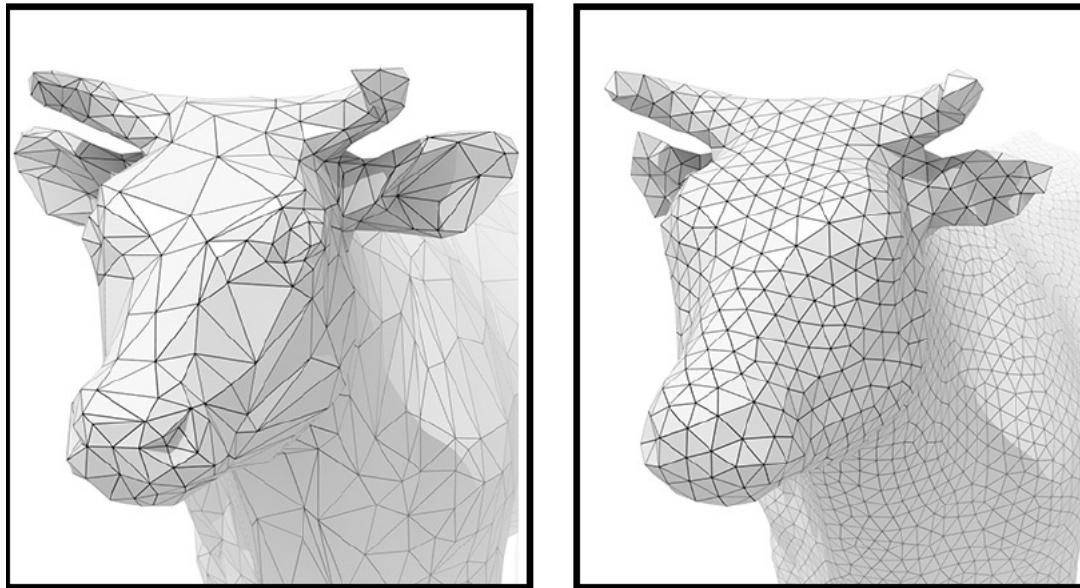
Increase resolution via interpolation

# Mesh Simplification (Downsampling)



Decrease resolution; try to preserve shape/appearance

# Mesh Regularization (same #triangles)

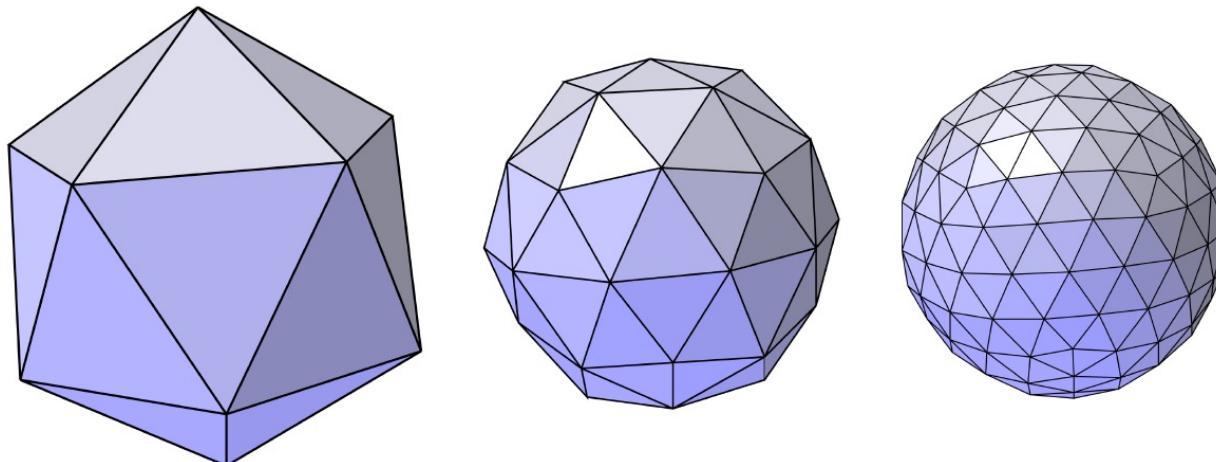


Modify sample distribution to **improve quality**

# Mesh Subdivision

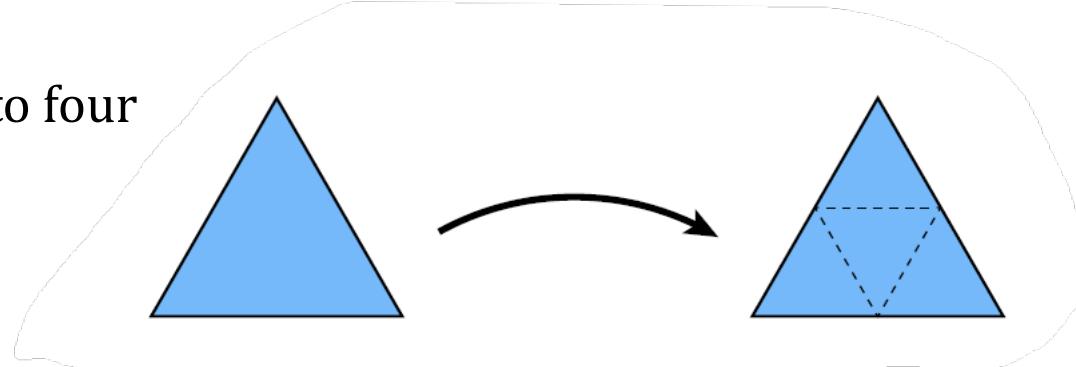
# Loop Subdivision

- ▶ Common subdivision rule **for triangle meshes**
- ▶ First, create more triangles (vertices)
- ▶ Second, tune their positions

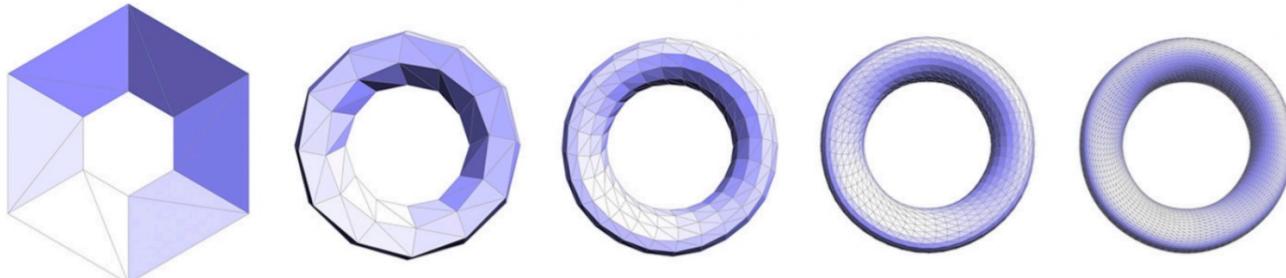


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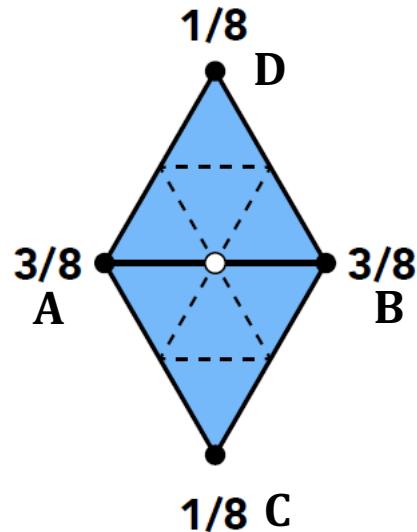
- ▶ Split each triangle into four



- ▶ Assign new vertex positions according to weights
  - ▶ New / old vertices updated differently



## Loop Subdivision — Update (for new vertices)

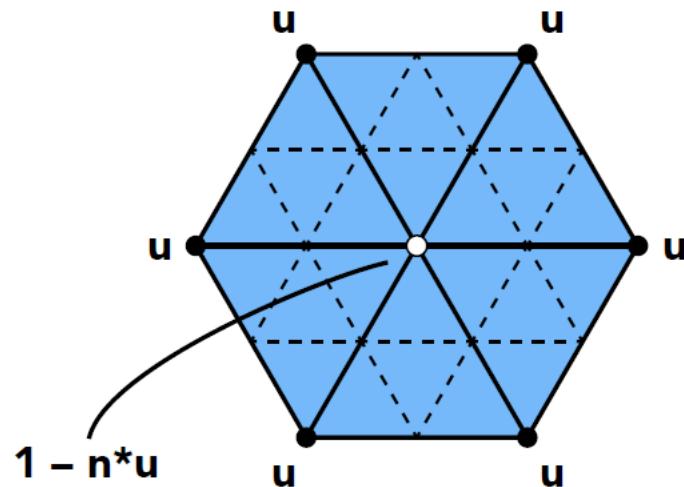


Update to:

$$3/8*(A+B)+1/8*(C+D)$$

**New vertices**

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For old vertices (e.g. degree 6 vertices here):

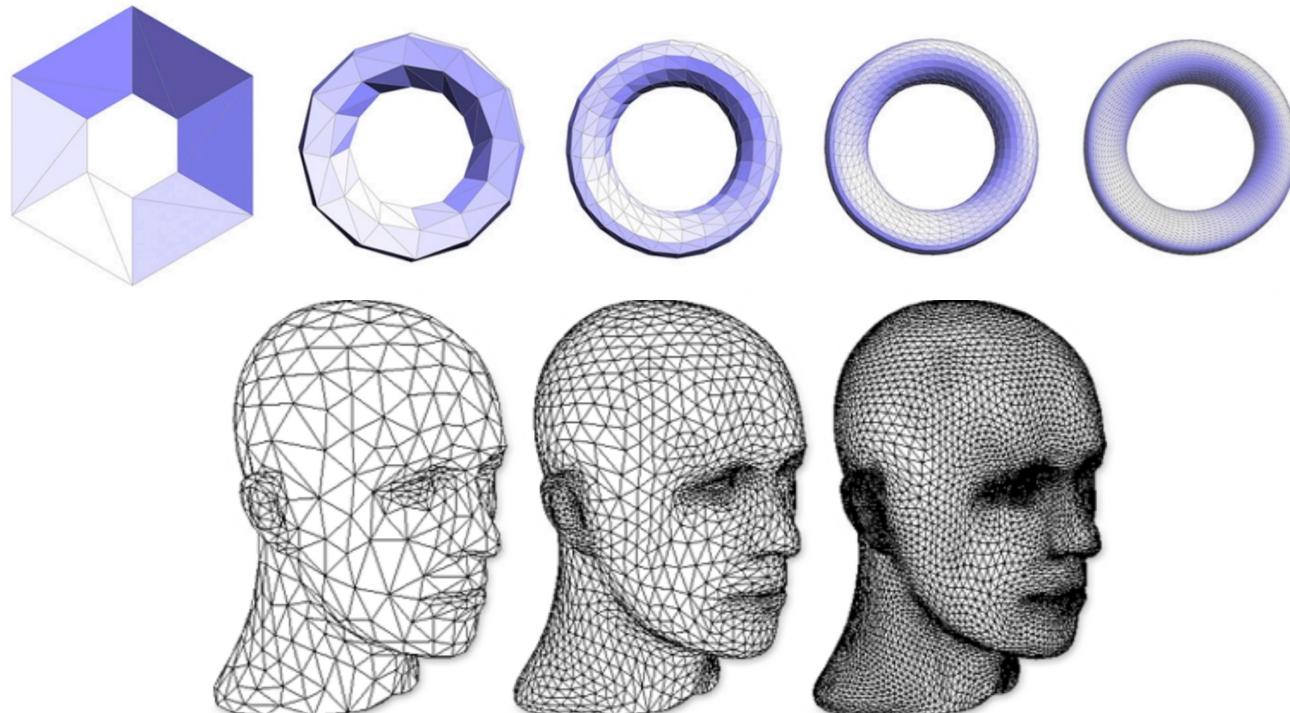
Update to:

$$(1 - n*u) * \text{original\_position} + u * \text{neighbor\_position\_sum}$$

**n: vertex degree**

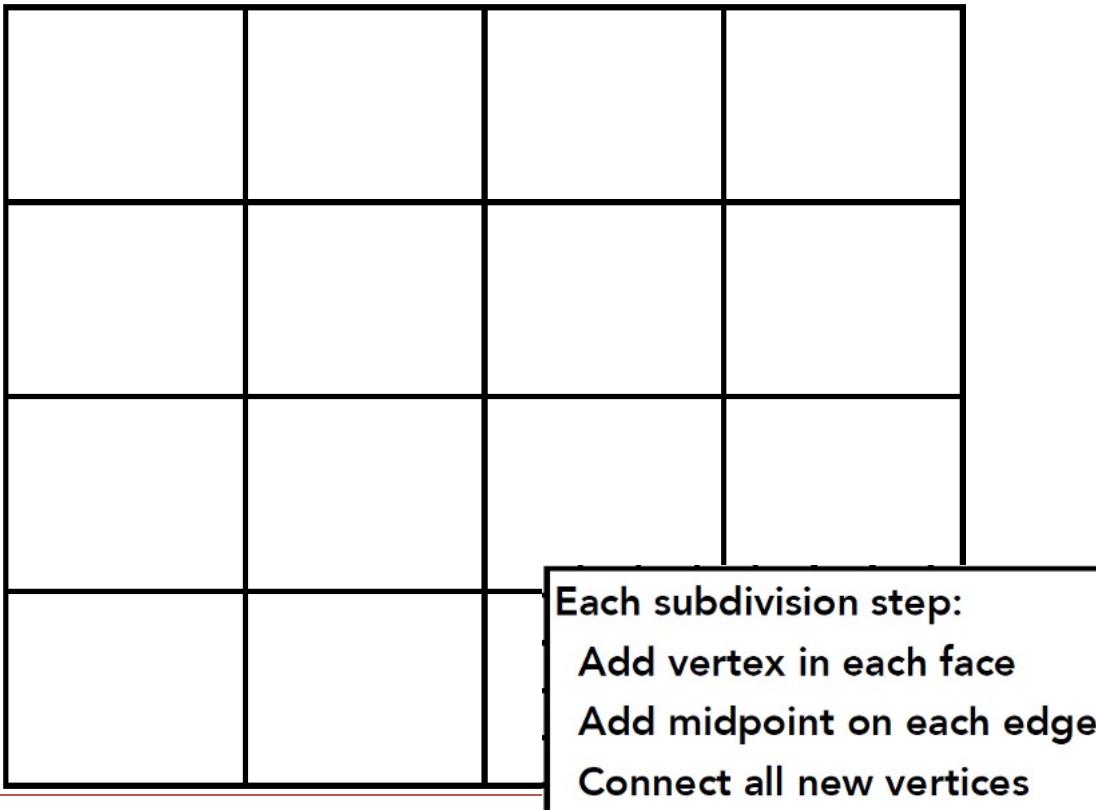
**u:  $3/16$  if  $n=3$ ,  $3/(8n)$  otherwise**

## Loop Subdivision Results

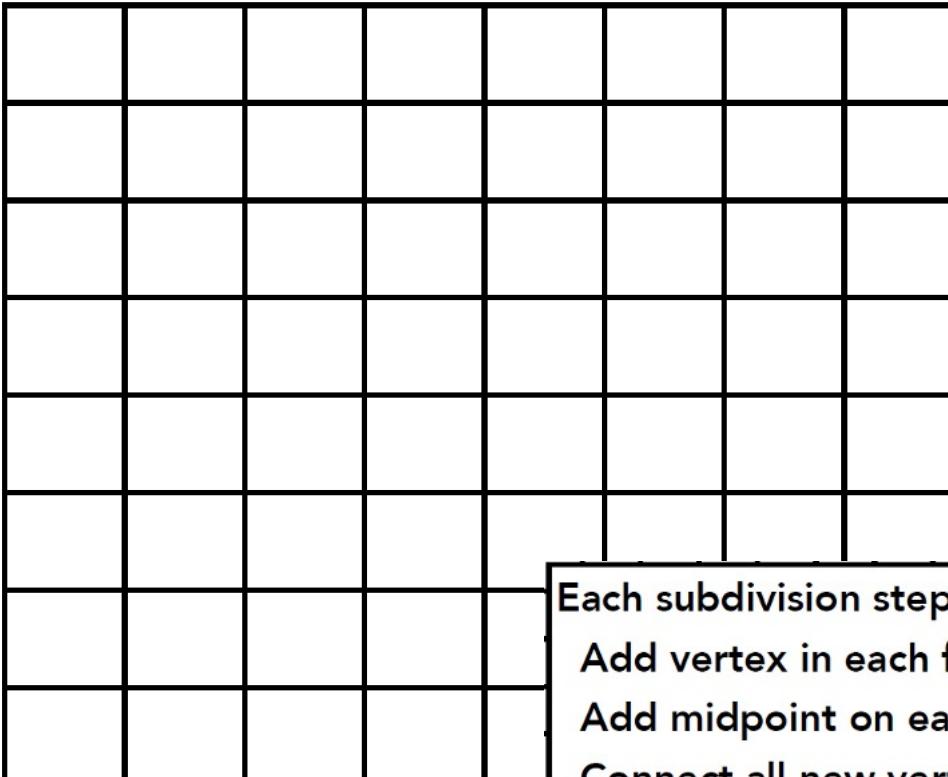


# Catmull-Clark Subdivision

# Catmull-Clark Vertex Update Rules (Regular Quad Mesh)



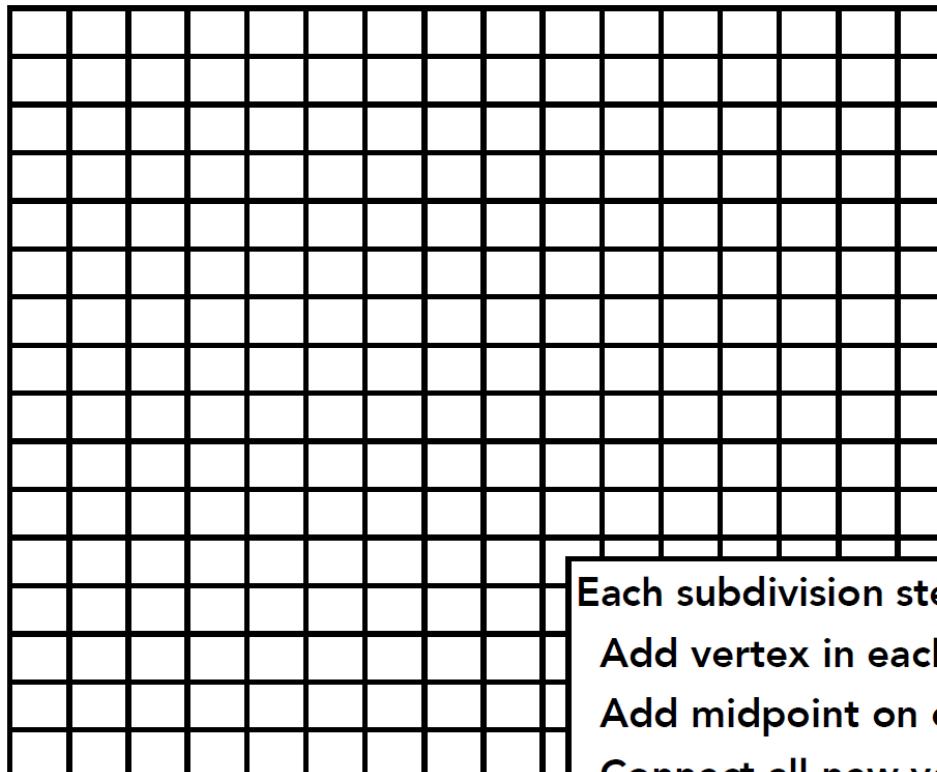
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**Each subdivision step:**

- Add vertex in each face**
- Add midpoint on each edge**
- Connect all new vertices**

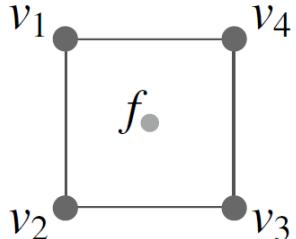
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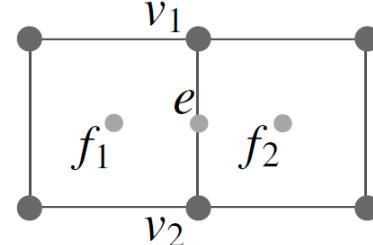
# Catmull-Clark Vertex Update Rules (Quad Mesh)

**Face point**



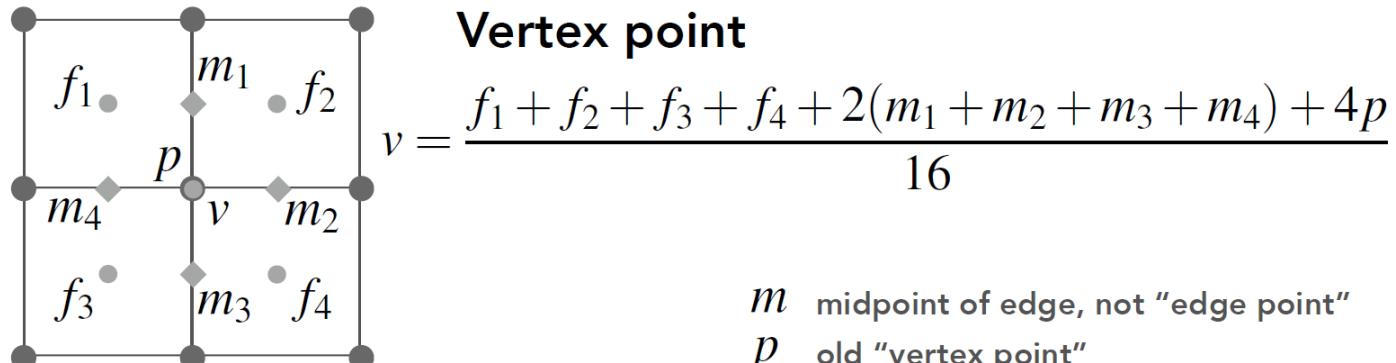
$$f = \frac{v_1 + v_2 + v_3 + v_4}{4}$$

**Edge point**



$$e = \frac{v_1 + v_2 + f_1 + f_2}{4}$$

**Vertex point**

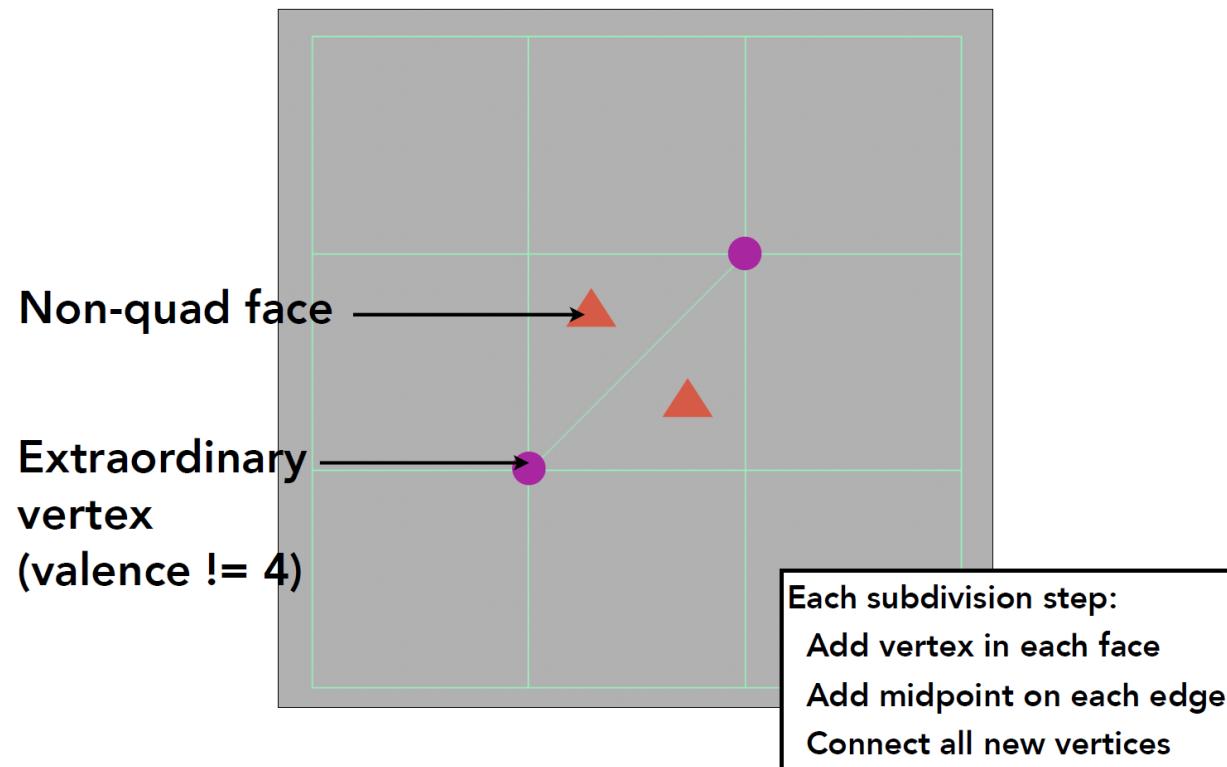


$$v = \frac{f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + f_4 + 2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + m_4) + 4p}{16}$$

$m$  midpoint of edge, not "edge point"

$p$  old "vertex point"

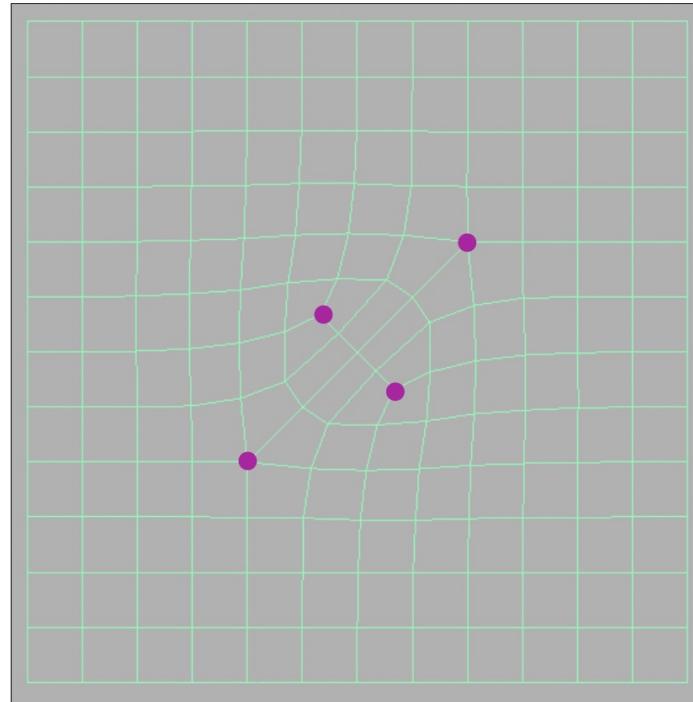
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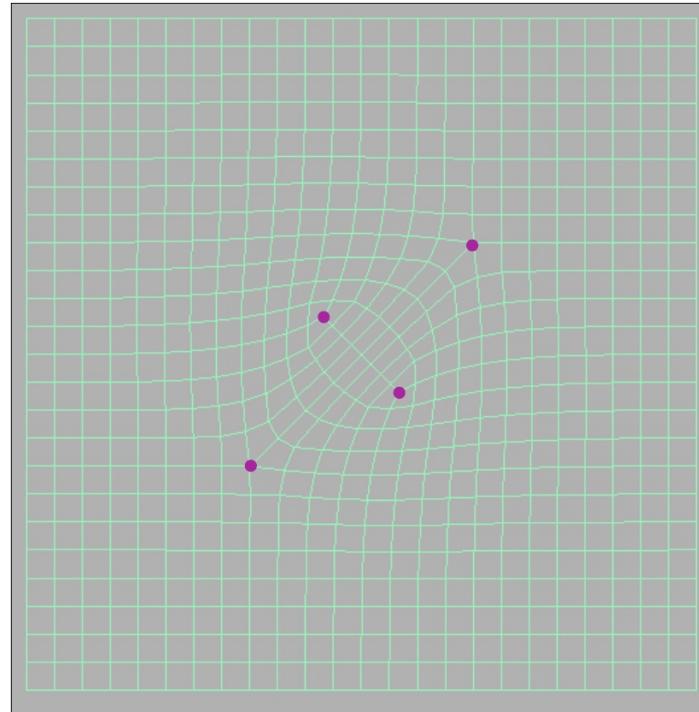
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## Catmull-Clark Vertex Update Rules (General Mesh)

$f$  = average of surrounding vertices

$$e = \frac{f_1 + f_2 + v_1 + v_2}{4}$$

$$v = \frac{\bar{f}}{n} + \frac{2\bar{m}}{n} + \frac{p(n-3)}{n}$$

**These rules reduce to earlier quad rules for ordinary vertices / faces**

$\bar{m}$  = average of adjacent midpoints

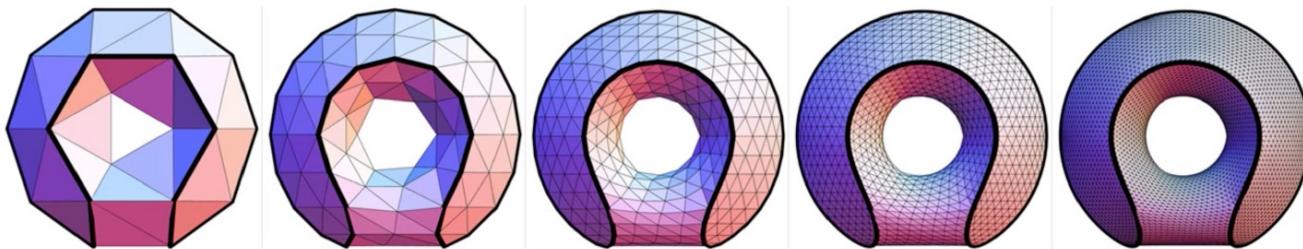
$\bar{f}$  = average of adjacent face points

$n$  = valence of vertex

$p$  = old "vertex" point

# Convergence: Overall Shape and Creases

Loop with Sharp Creases



Catmull-Clark with Sharp Creases

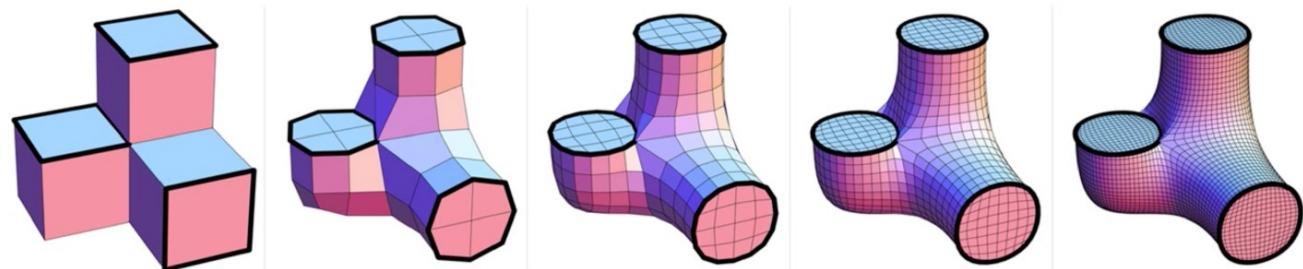


Figure from: Hakenberg et al. Volume Enclosed by Subdivision Surfaces with Sharp Creases

## Subdivision in Action (Pixar's "Geri's Game")



# Mesh Simplification

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Goal: reduce number of mesh elements while maintaining overall shape



30,000 triangles



3,000



300

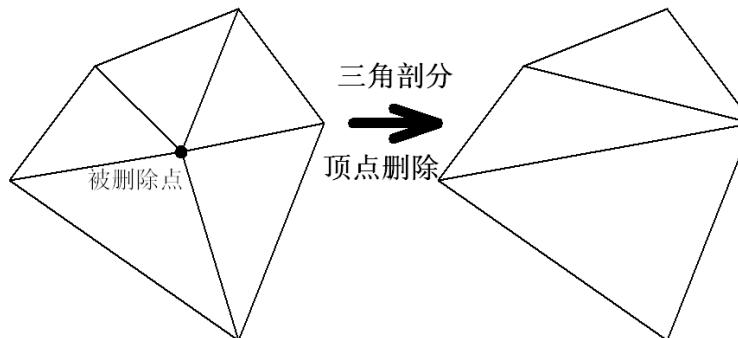


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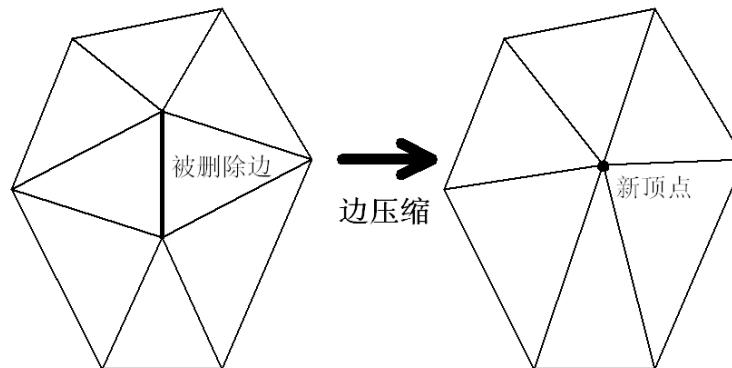
# 网格化简的基本操作 (1)

- ▶ 三种不同的基本化简操作：
  1. **顶点删除操作**: 删去网格中的一个顶点，然后对它的相邻三角形形成的空洞作三角剖分



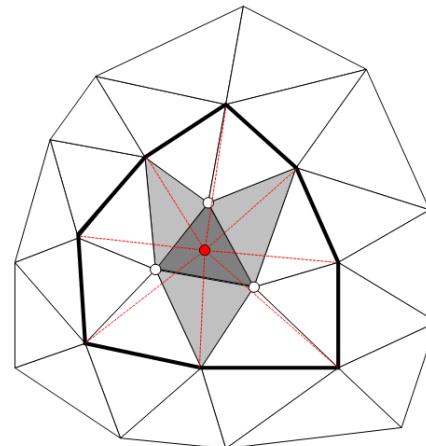
## 网格化简的基本操作 (2)

2. 边压缩操作：网格上的一条边压缩为一个顶点，与该边相邻的两个三角形的退化



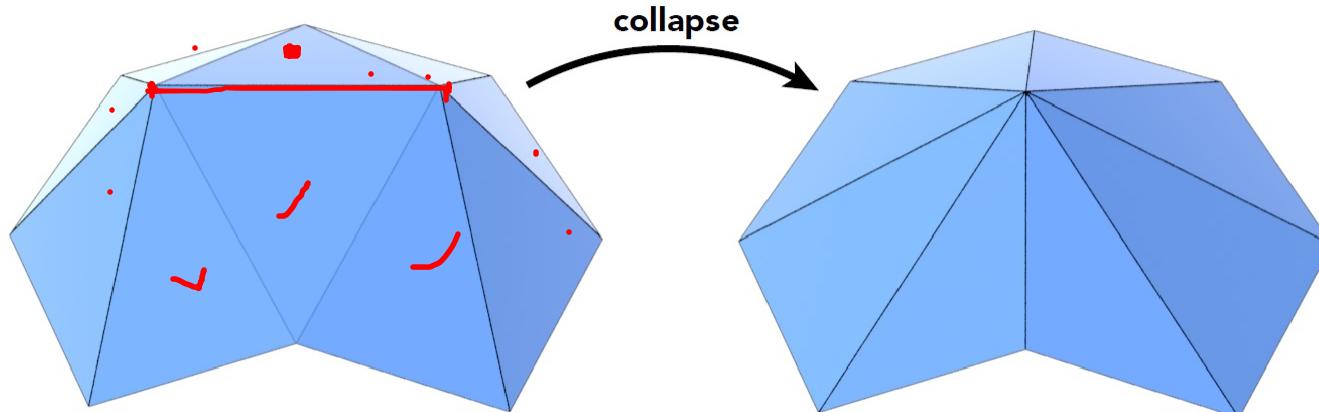
## 网格化简的基本操作 (3)

3. 面片收缩操作：网格上的一个面片收缩为一个顶点，该三角形本身和与其相邻的三个三角形都退化



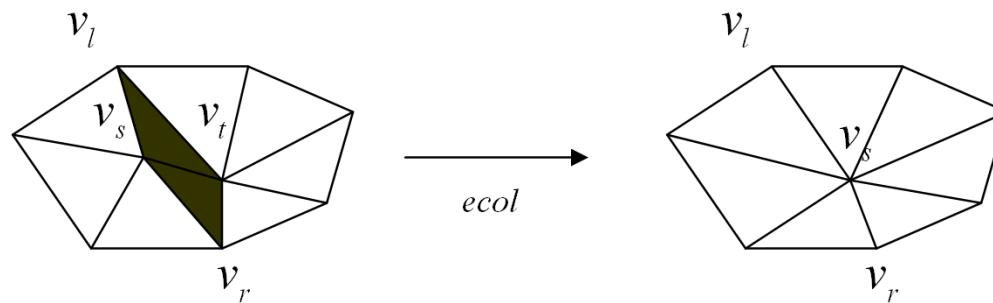
# Collapsing An Edge

- ▶ Suppose we simplify a mesh using **edge collapsing**



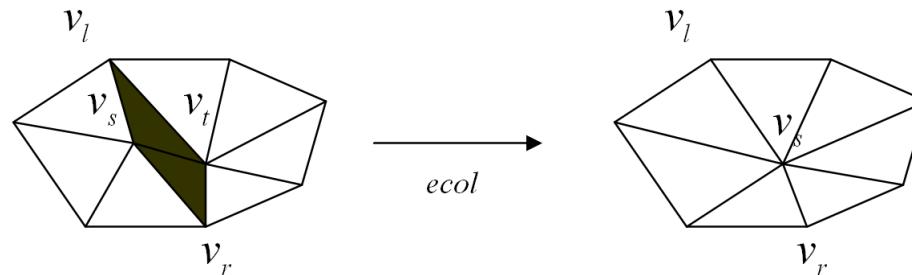
# 边收缩变换

- ▶ Hoppe利用边收缩变换 (edge collapse transformation) 来逐步迭代计算上述能量的优化过程
- ▶ 下图给出了一个边收缩变换的过程，它将该边的两个端点( $v_s, v_t$ )收缩为一个顶点 $v_s$ ，经过这个变形后，其相邻两个面 $\{v_s, v_t, v_l\}$ 和 $\{v_t, v_s, v_r\}$ 均退化为一条边



## 基于二次误差度量的简化技术

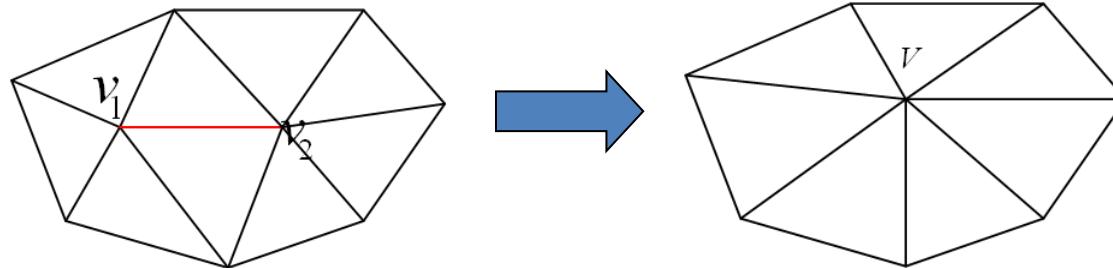
- ▶ Hoppe的边收缩(edge collapse)操作可推广为一般的顶点合并变换来描述 $(v_1, v_2) \rightarrow v$ ，其含义是将场景中的两个顶点 $v_1, v_2$ 移到一个新的位置 $v$ ，将连向 $v_1, v_2$ 的所有边都连向 $v$ ，并删除所有退化的边和面片



# 点对合并 (1)

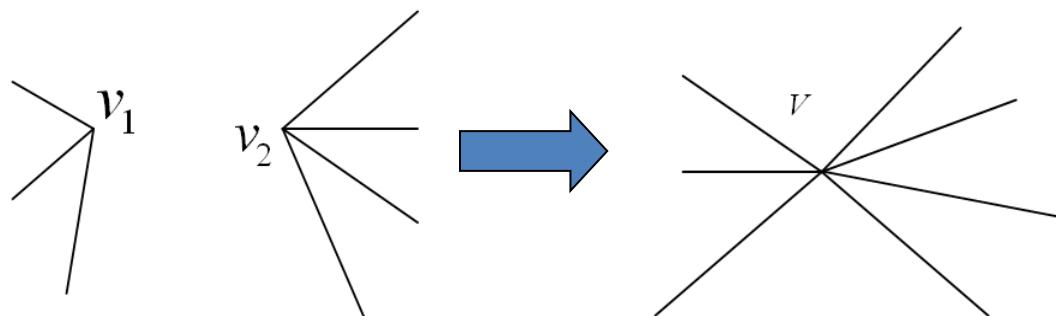
## ▶ 点对( $v_1, v_2$ )合并的原则

(1)  $v_1, v_2$  为某一表面上的相邻点，即  $v_1, v_2$  为一条边



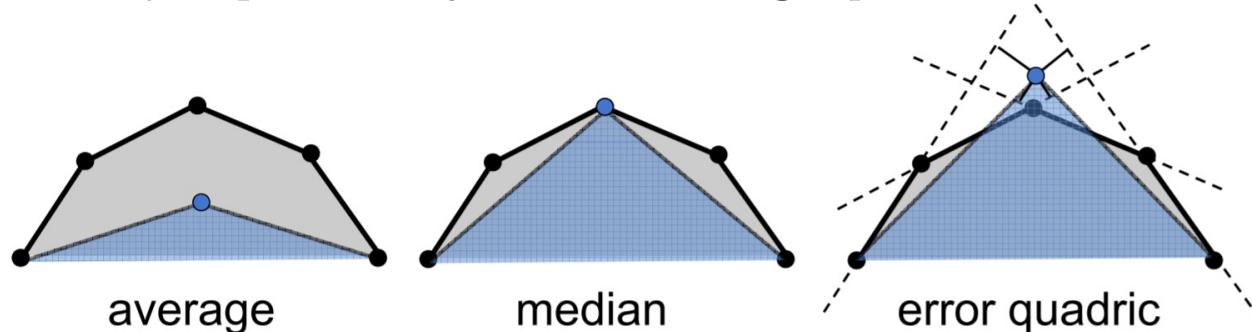
## 点对合并 (2)

(2)  $\|v_1 - v_2\| < t$ ,  $t$  为用户给定的阈值参数



# Quadratic Error Metrics

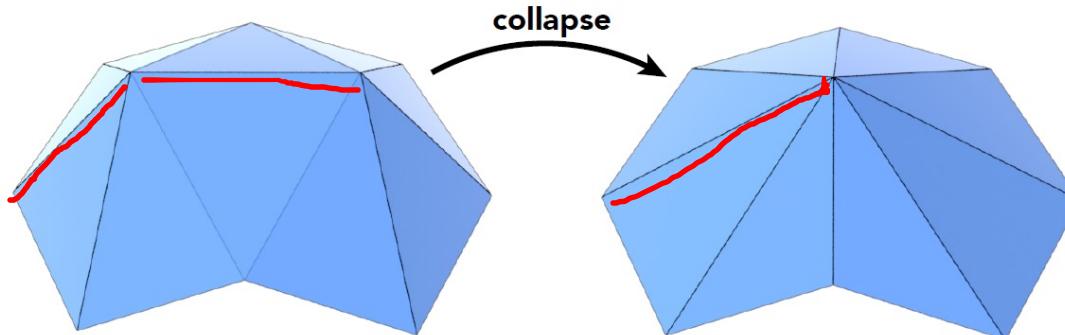
- ▶ How much geometric error is introduced by simplification?
- ▶ Not a good idea to perform local averaging of vertices
- ▶ Quadric error: new vertex should minimize its **sum of square distance** (L2 distance) to previously related triangle planes!



[http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs468-10\\_fall/LectureSlides/08\\_Simplification.pdf](http://graphics.stanford.edu/courses/cs468-10_fall/LectureSlides/08_Simplification.pdf)

# Quadric Error of Edge Collapse

- How much does it cost to collapse an edge?
- Idea: compute edge midpoint, measure quadric error



- Better idea: choose point that minimizes quadric error
- More details: Garland & Heckbert 1997.

## 二次误差度量

- Garland和Heckbert引进了二次误差度量来刻画每一个顶点移动后引起的误差，对表面上的每一个顶点  $v_a$ ，均有许多三角面片与之相邻，记  $plane(v_a)$  为这些三角形所在的平面方程所构成的集合，即

$$plane(v_a) = \left\{ (a, b, c, d) \mid \begin{array}{l} ax + by + cz + d = 0, (a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1) \\ \text{is coefficients of the adjacent plane of } v_a \end{array} \right\}$$

## 二次误差度量

- 则我们采用如下的**二次函数**来度量  $v_a$  移动到  $v$  时产生的误差：

$$\Delta(v_a \rightarrow v) = \sum_{p \in plane(v_a)} (pv^T)^2 \quad (1)$$

上式计算的是  $v$  到与  $v_a$  相邻的各个三角形面片所在平面的距离的平方

其中  $v=(x, y, z, 1)$  为齐次坐标，展开上式得到

$$\Delta(v_a \rightarrow v) = \sum_{p \in plane(v_a)} (pv^T)^2 = v \left( \sum_{p \in plane(v_a)} K_p \right) v^T = v Q(v_a) v^T \quad (2)$$

$$Q(v_a) = \sum_{p \in plane(v_a)} K_p$$

## 二次误差度量

▶ (2) 式中

$$K_p = p^T p = \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & ab & ac & ad \\ ab & b^2 & bc & bd \\ ac & bc & c^2 & cd \\ ad & bd & cd & d^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

- ▶ 这样，对每一顶点  $v_a$ ，在预处理时，我们均可按上述方法计算矩阵  $Q(v_a)$ ，进而就可对其移动进行误差度量了
- ▶ 但由于每次合并时，需同时移动两点，故必须考虑同时移动多个顶点后形成的误差

## 多点移动的误差

- Garland和Heckbert简单地采用加法规则来刻画多点移动而形成的误差，对点对合并 $(v_1, v_2) \rightarrow v$ ，其误差为

$$\Delta(v) = \Delta(v_1 \rightarrow v) + \Delta(v_2 \rightarrow v) = v(Q(v_1) + Q(v_2))v^T = vQv^T$$

其中  $Q = Q(v_1) + Q(v_2)$

因而，应选取  $\mathbf{v}$  使误差达到最小

## 多点移动的误差

- 由极值的性质知， $v$ 满足系统方程：

$$\frac{\partial \Delta(v)}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \Delta(v)}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \Delta(v)}{\partial z} = 0$$

即

$$\begin{bmatrix} q_{11} & q_{12} & q_{13} & q_{14} \\ q_{12} & q_{22} & q_{23} & q_{24} \\ q_{13} & q_{23} & q_{33} & q_{34} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 若上式有唯一解，则其解为 $v$ 的最优解；否则，用伪逆技术求 $v$
- 若伪逆技术失败，则简单地选取 $v$ 为 $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ 或  $\frac{v_1 + v_2}{2}$ 中的任何一个

# Simplification via Quadric Error

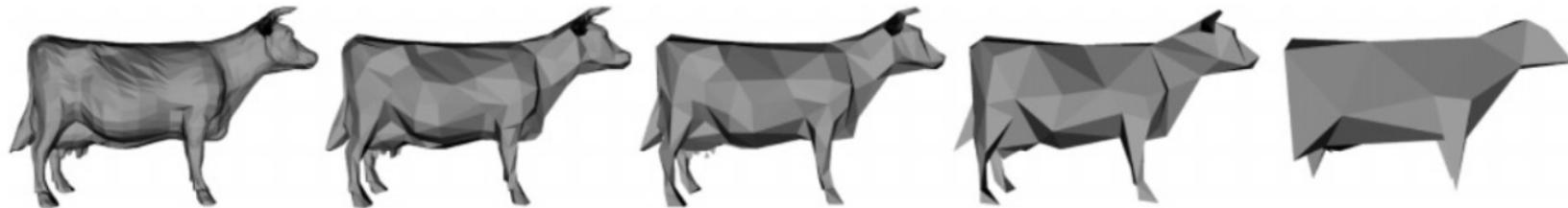
Iteratively collapse edges

Which edges? Assign score with quadric error metric\*

- approximate distance to surface as sum of distances to planes containing triangles
- iteratively collapse edge with smallest score
- greedy algorithm... great results!

\* (Garland & Heckbert 1997)

# Quadric Error Mesh Simplification



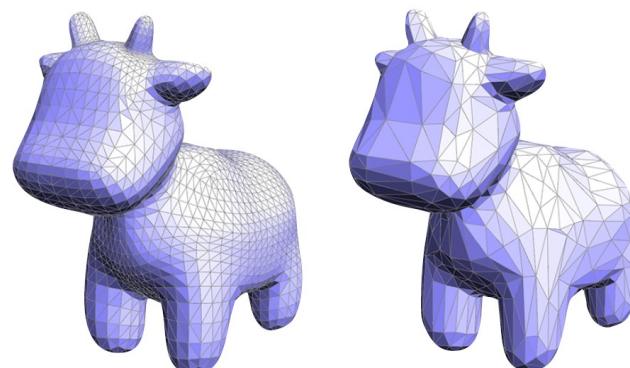
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- ▶ 参考文献
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# Thank you!