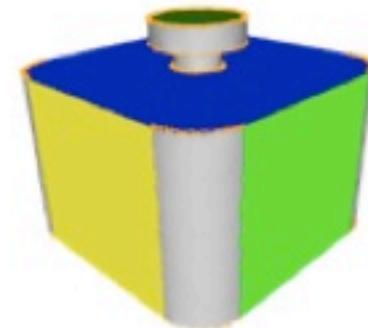
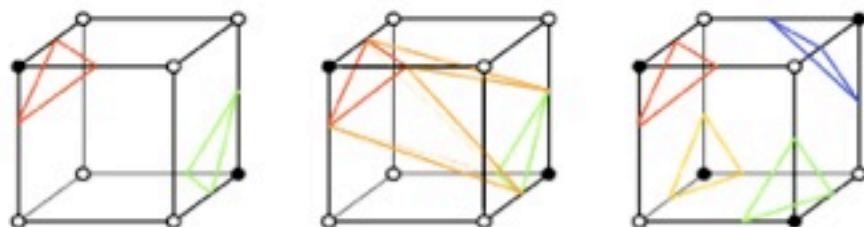


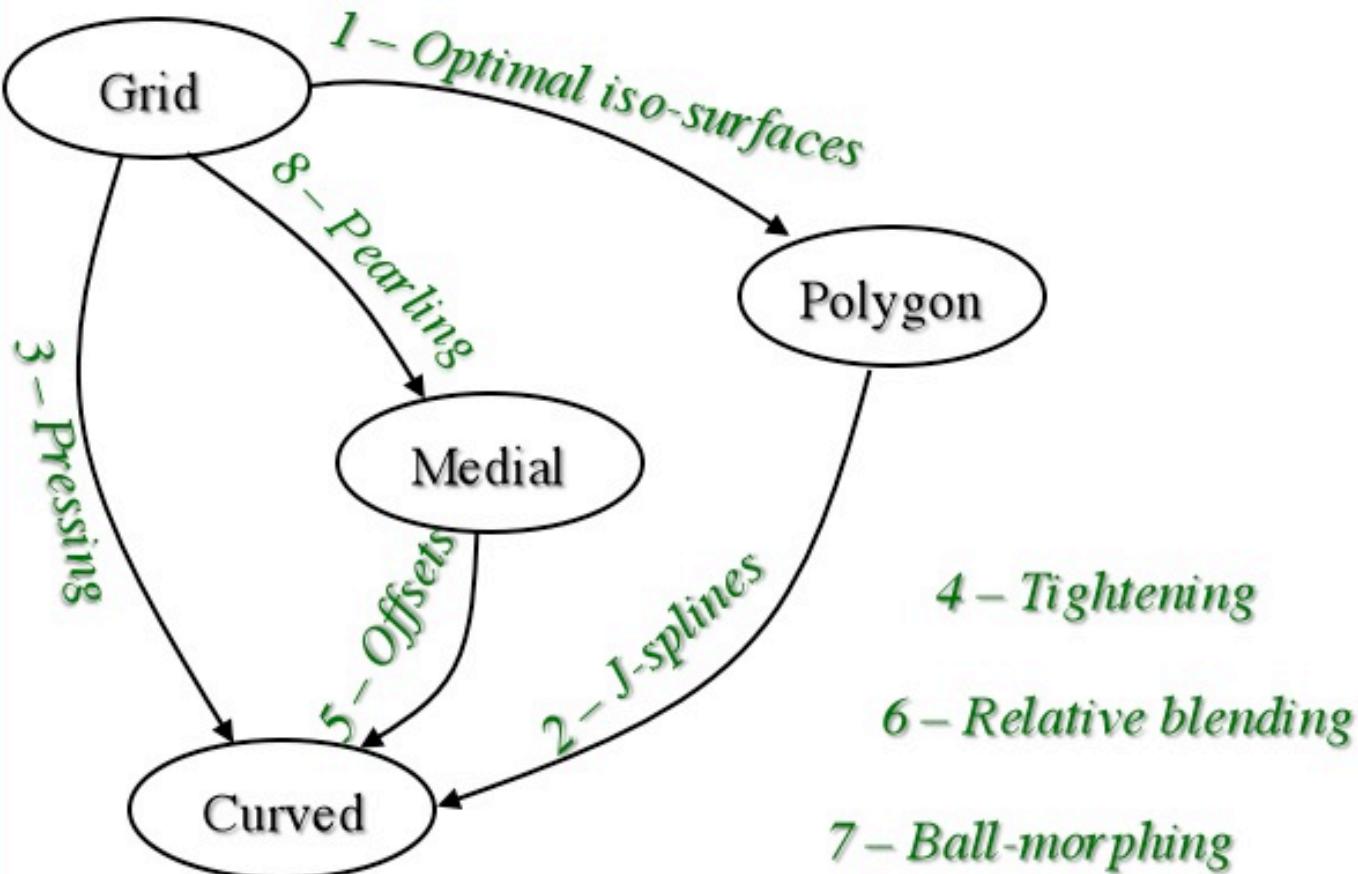
# Ball-based measures, transformations, and animations

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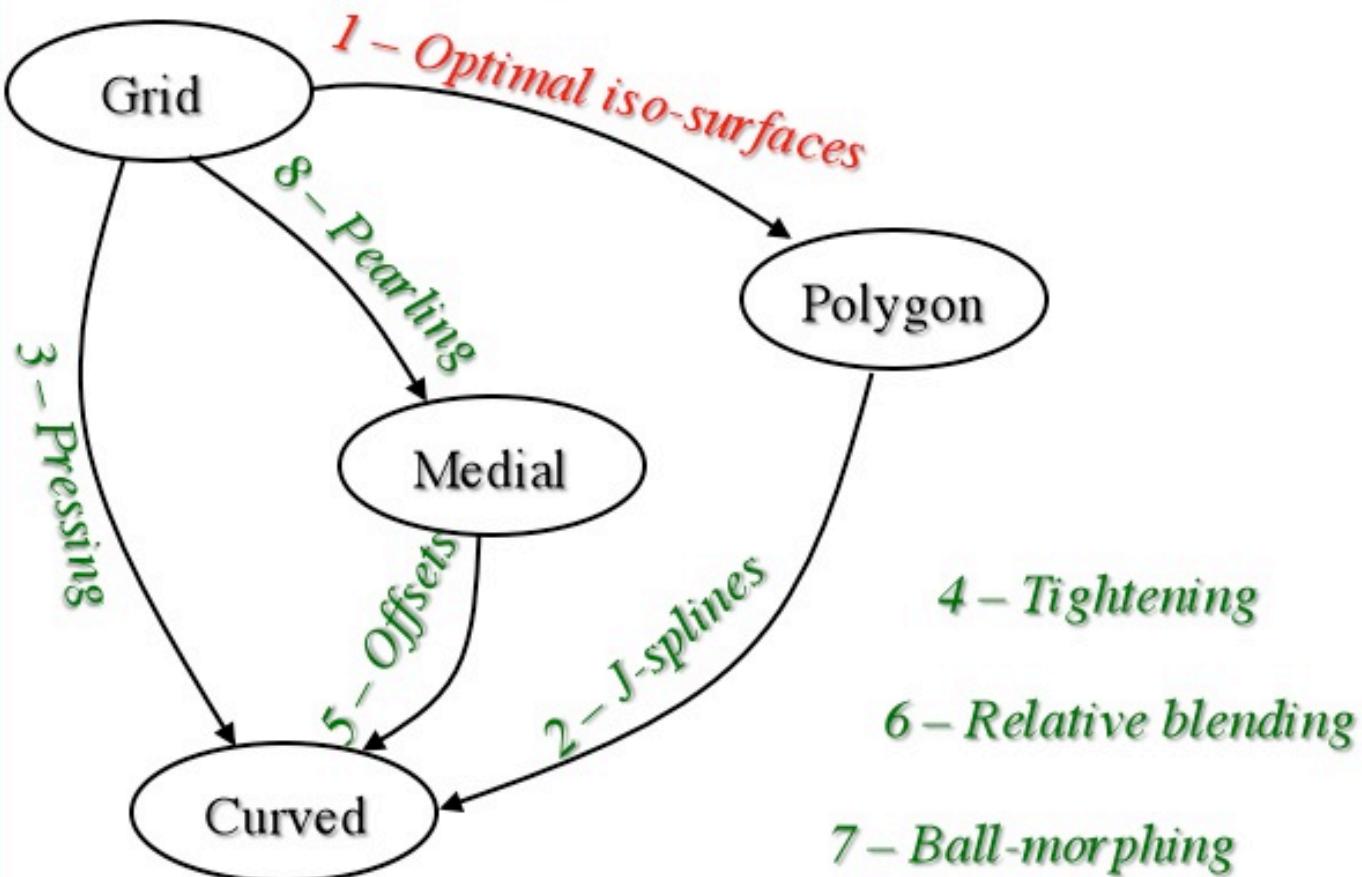


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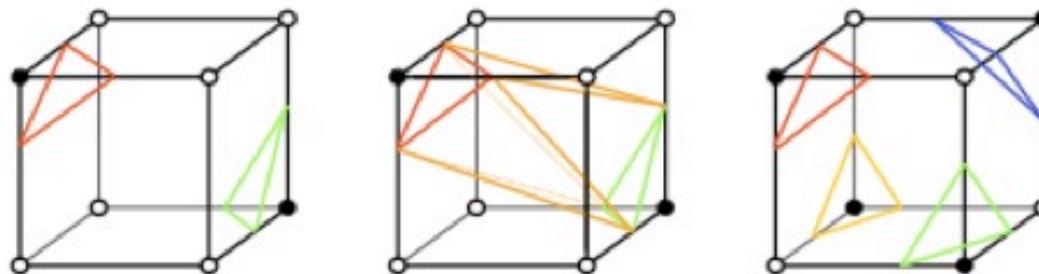
# ISO-SURFACES



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Goal: Minimize triangle count and optimize topology of a triangulated iso-surface

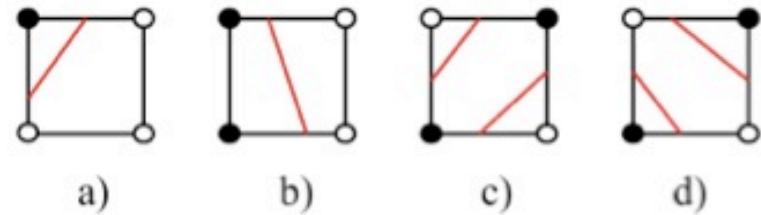
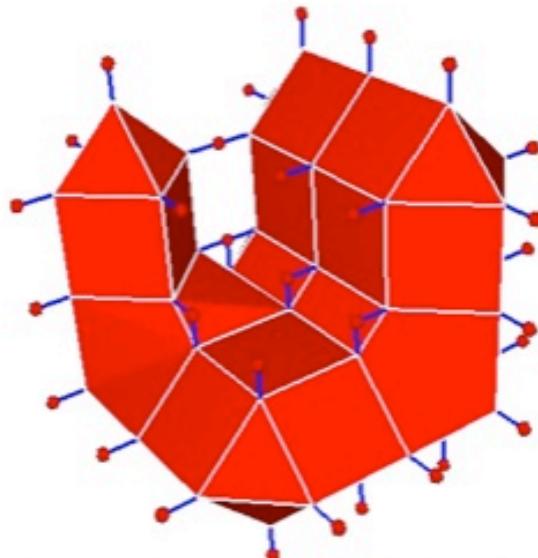


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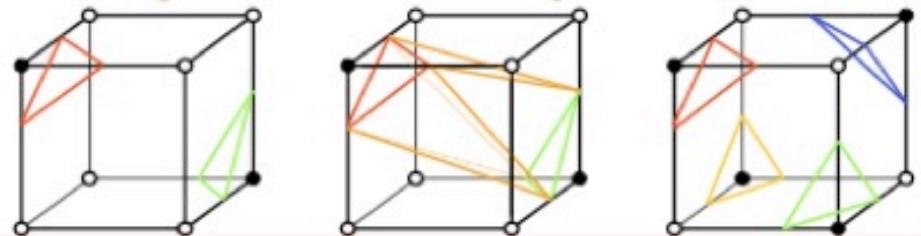
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# Iso-surface from discretized voxel model

- Iso-surface
  - Separates in and out samples
  - Has a vertex on each edge joining in and out samples
  - Is a manifold triangulation of these vertices
  - Does not cross axis-aligned edges anywhere else

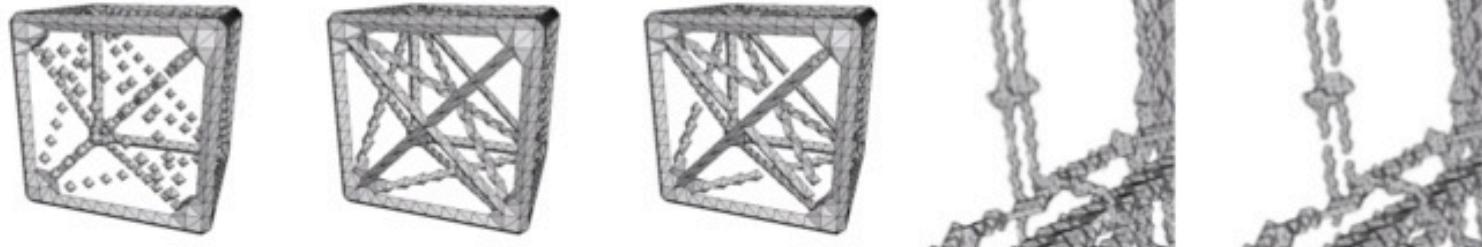
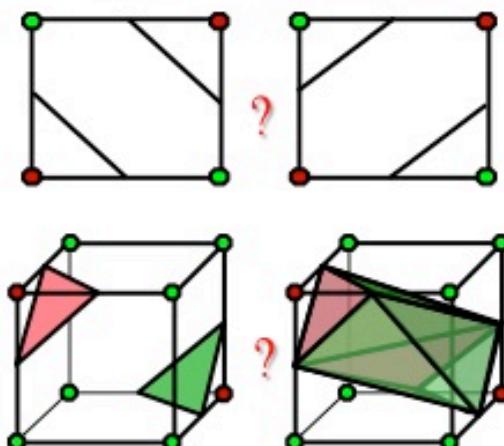


Loops on the boundary of a cube

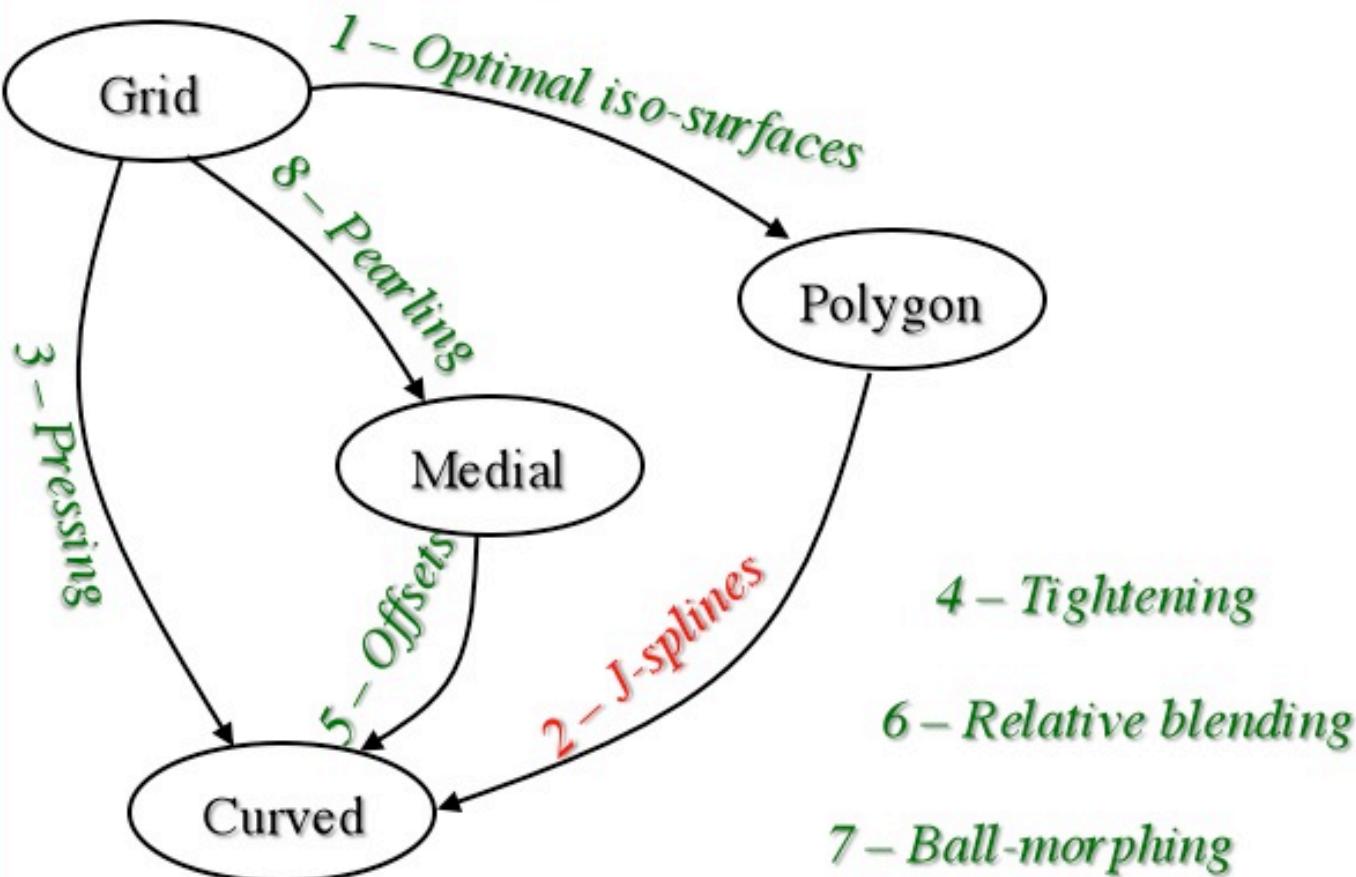


# Options in Marching cubes

- How to cut an x-face?
  - Phase 1: Optimize number of loops
- How to triangulate the interior
  - Phase 2: Do not connect loops
- Make choices that “minimize topology”
  - Minimize triangle count T
  - Minimize genus or number of connected components



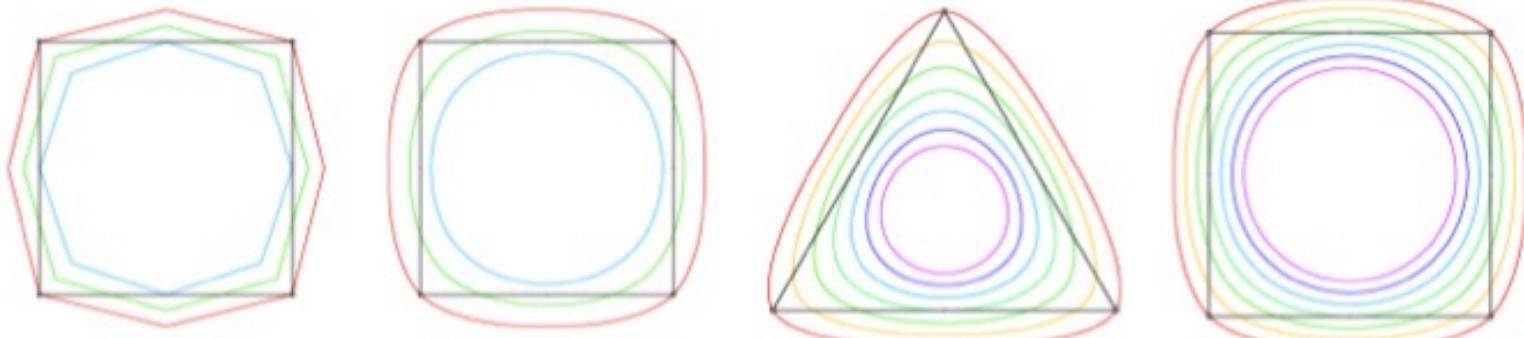
# J-SPLINES



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Goal: Increase smoothness of polygon and mesh subdivision schemes and reduce amount of temporary storage needed

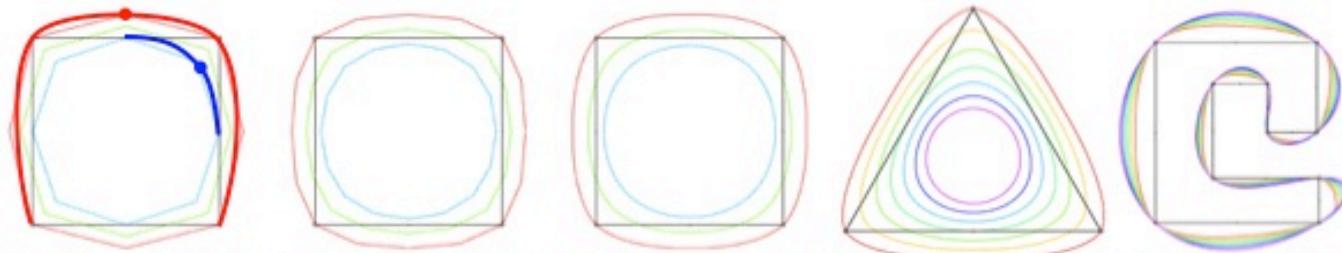


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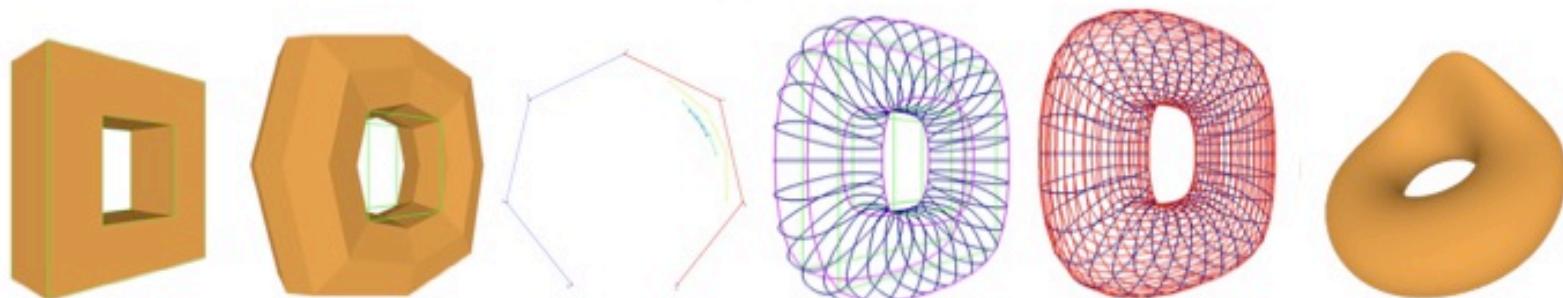
# J-splines: Results

- 4-point:  $f_j$ , cubic B-spline:  $b_j$ , *J-spline*:  $(1-s)f_j+sb_j$   
 $J_s$  is  $C^2$  when  $0 < s < 4$ ,  $C^3$  when  $1 < s \leq 2.8$ , and  $C^4$  when  $s=1.5$



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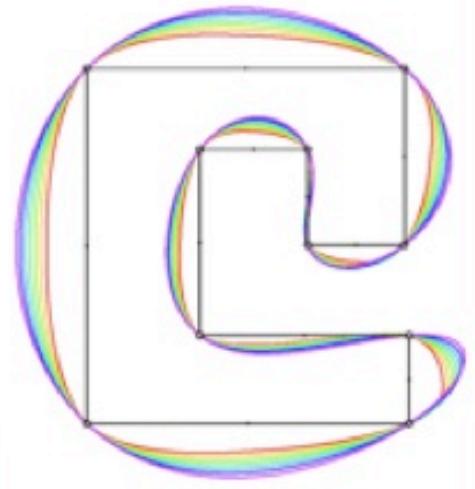
- **Ringing:** Reduces GPU footprint from  $(n-5)2^r+5$  to **4r**



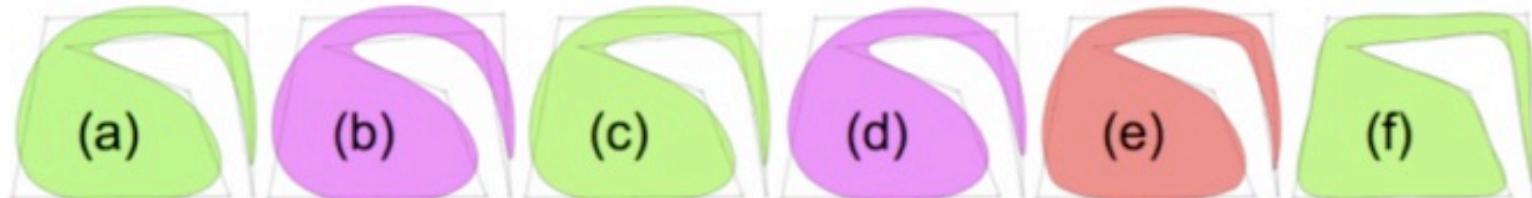
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# J-spline options

- Interpolate (4-points, adjust s, retrofit C<sup>4</sup>)

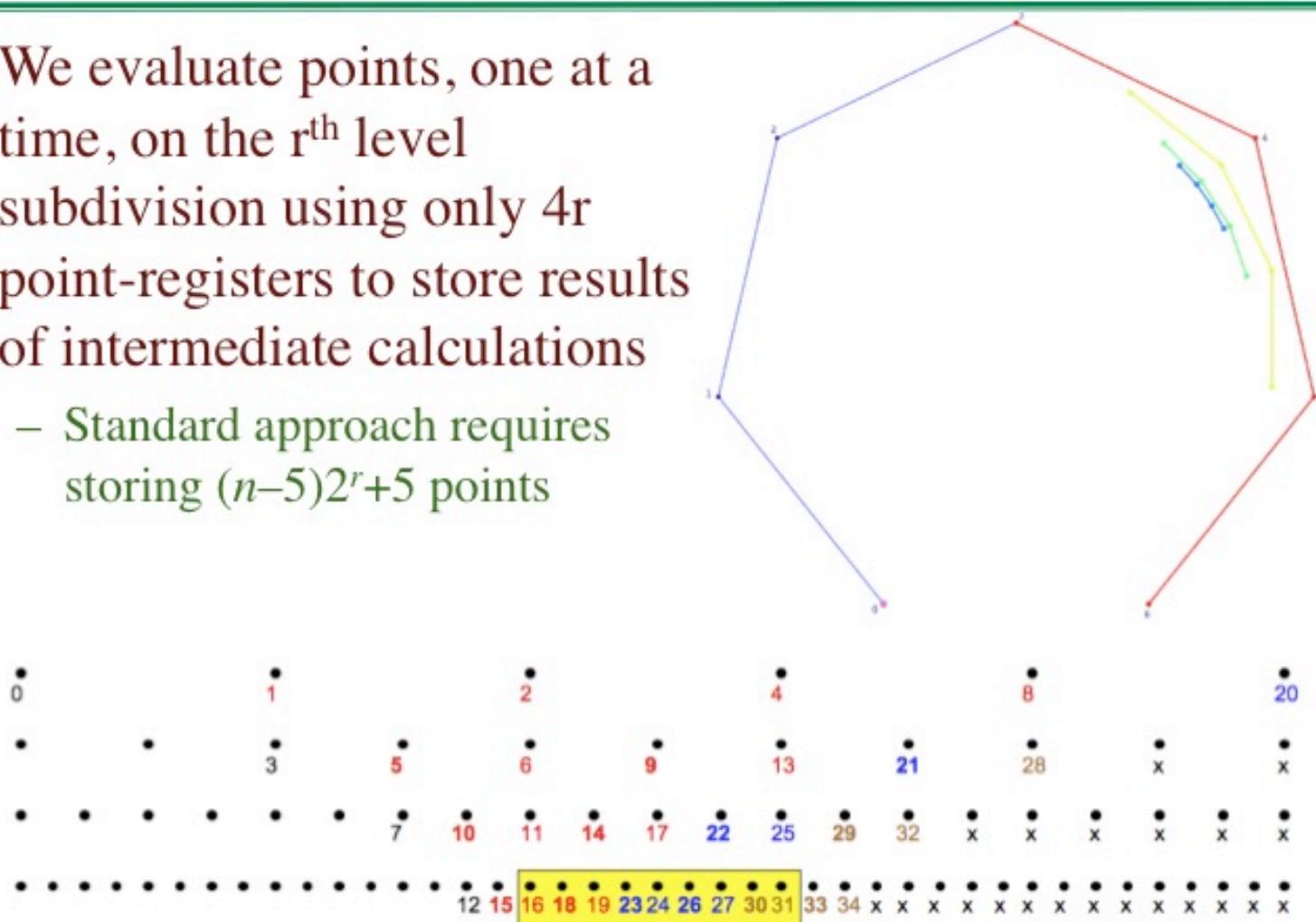


- Preserve area or perimeter length



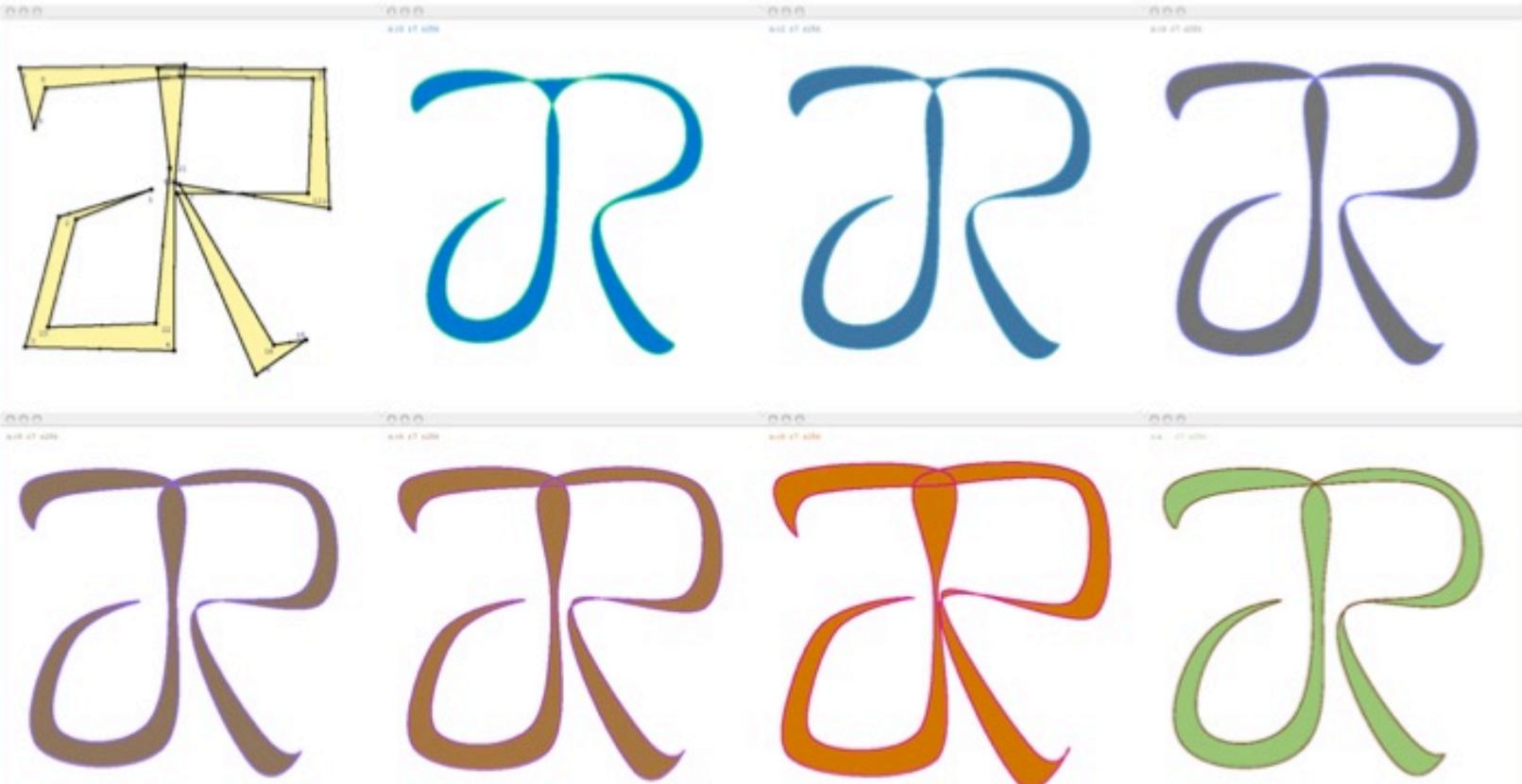
# Ringing

- We evaluate points, one at a time, on the  $r^{\text{th}}$  level subdivision using only  $4r$  point-registers to store results of intermediate calculations
  - Standard approach requires storing  $(n-5)2^r+5$  points



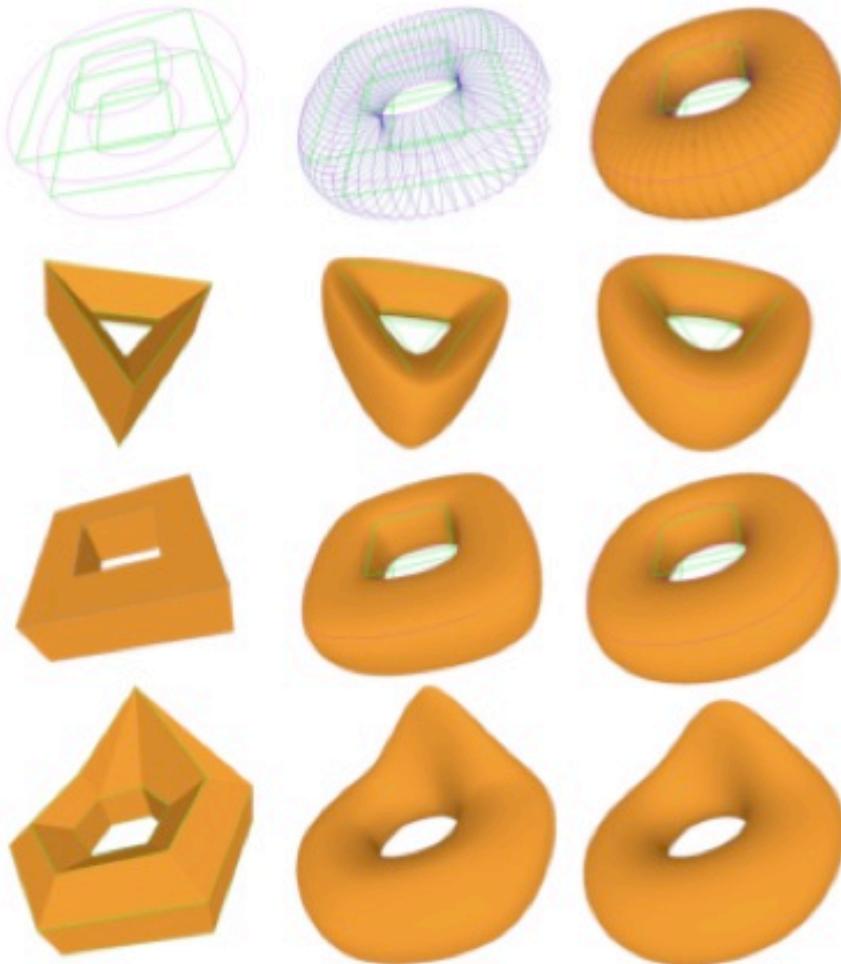
# J-spline examples

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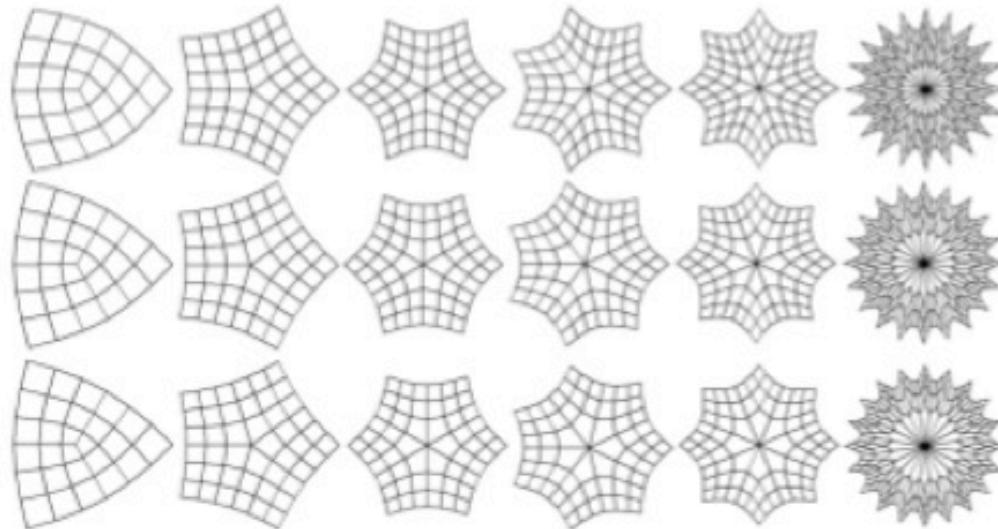


# Tensor product J-spline surfaces

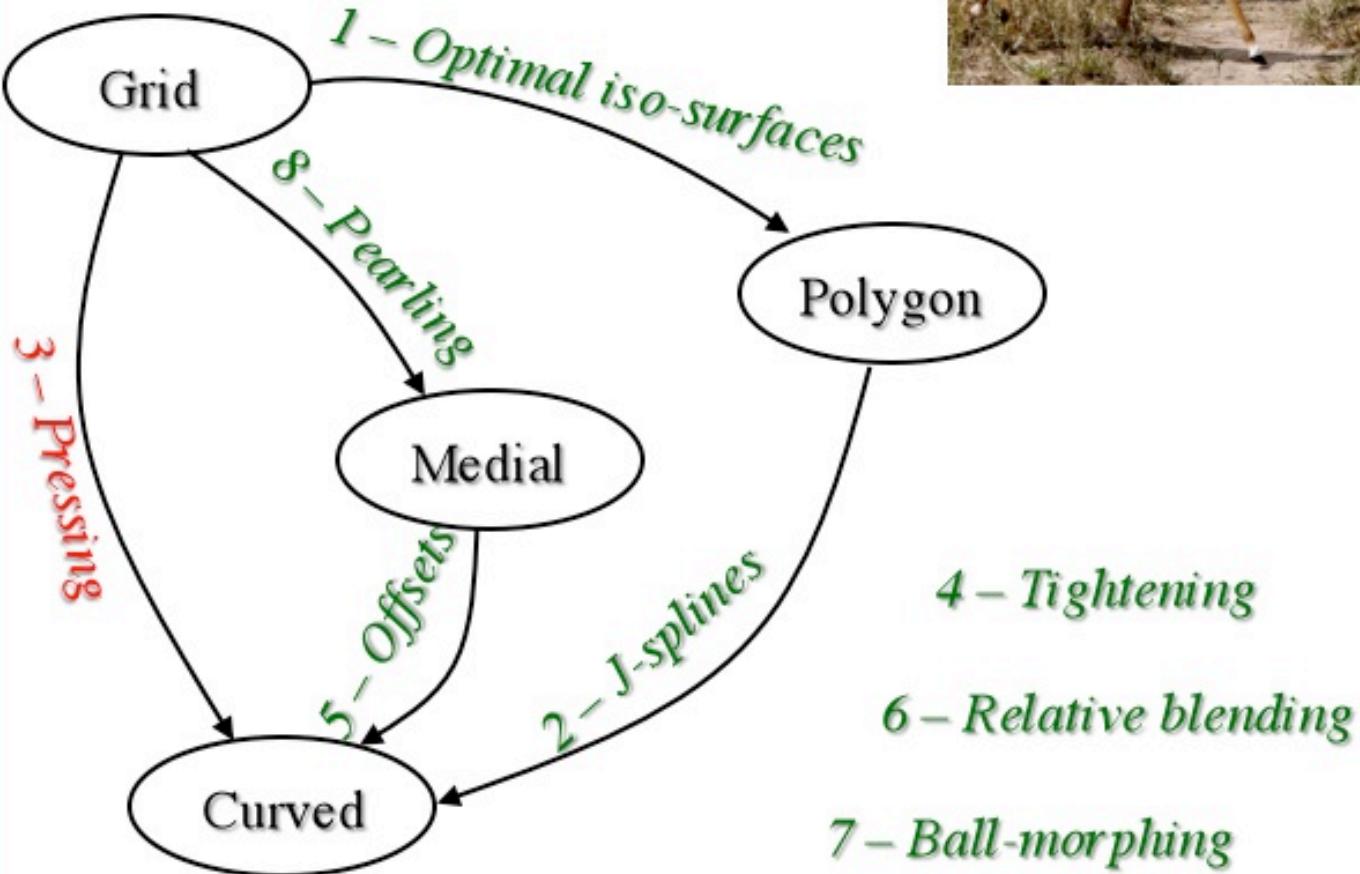
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# J-spline for general quad-meshes

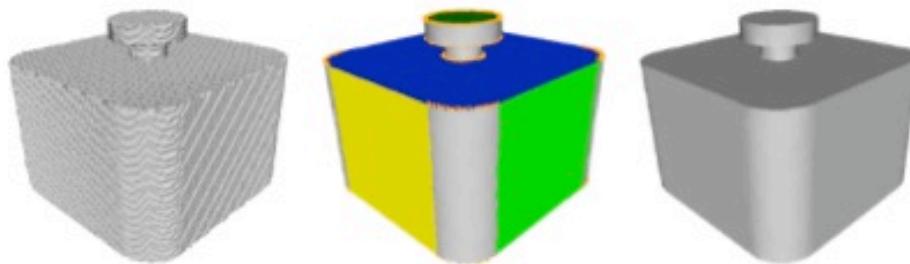


# PRESSING



# PRESSNG

Goal: Reverse engineer a 3D binary scan to recover large planar faces and smooth blends between them



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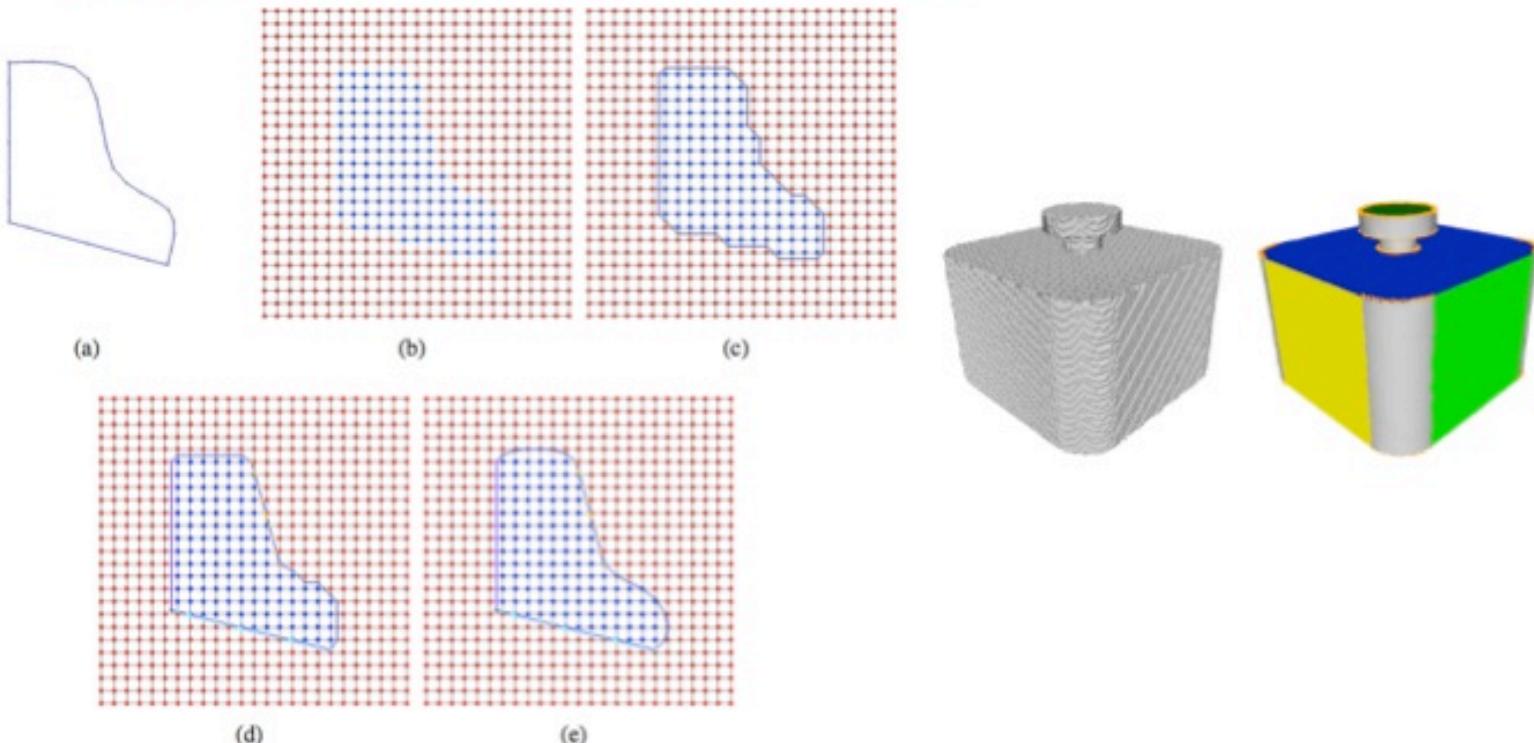
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**Sharpen&Bend: Recovering curved edges in triangle meshes produced by feature-insensitive sampling**, M. Attene, B. Falcidino, M. Spagnuolo, J. Rossignac. **IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics** (TVCG), vol 11, no 2, pp 181-192, March/April 2005.

# Surface reconstruction from grid

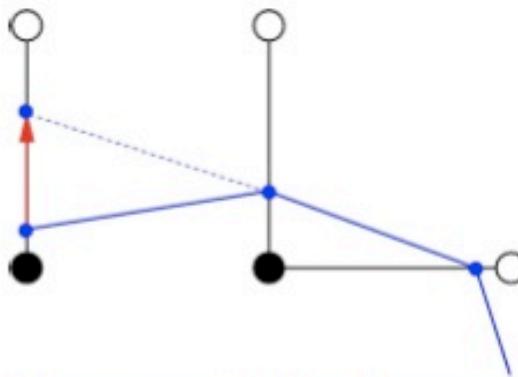
Identify **flats**, **blends**, and **sharp edges** in binary volumes

- grow maximal hyperplanes through red-green edges
- perform constrained smoothing of blends



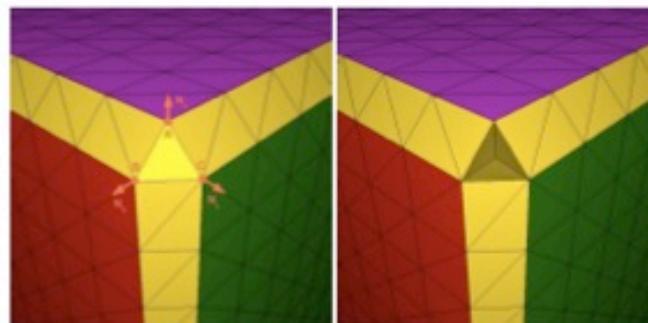
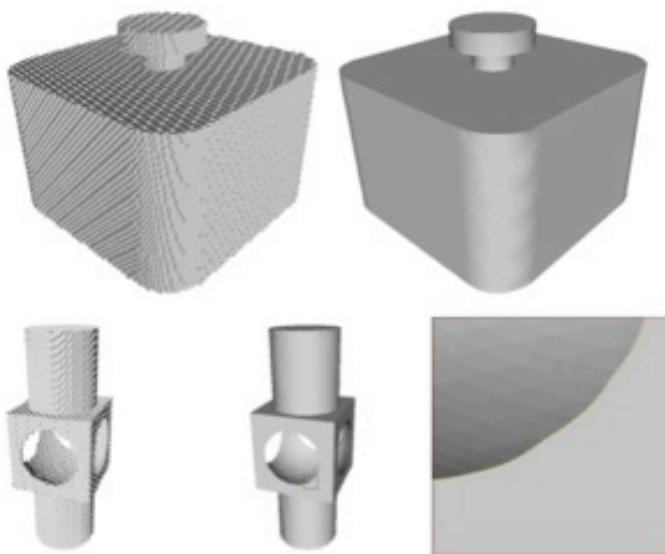
# Growing planes

- Stick = grid edge between in and out samples
- We define set of all planes that stab a stick
- Planes that stab several sticks = intersections of these sets
- We grow groups of adjacent sticks that are stabbed by a plane
- We trim the stabbing planes at their intersections
- We slide vertices of stabbed sticks to their plane

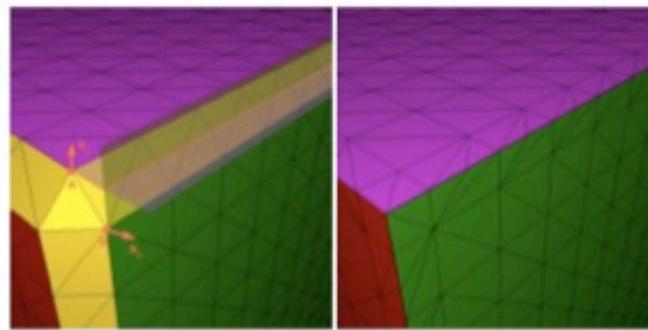


# Sharpening plane/plane intersections

- Subdivide edges with vertices on 2 stabbing planes



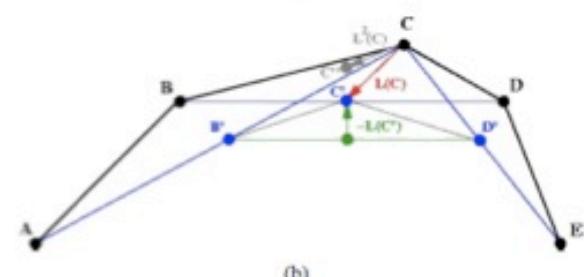
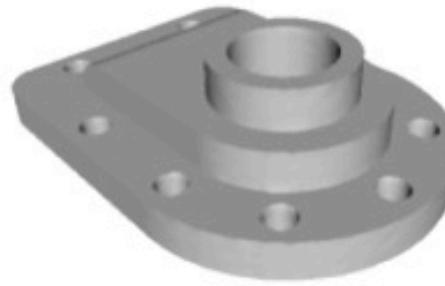
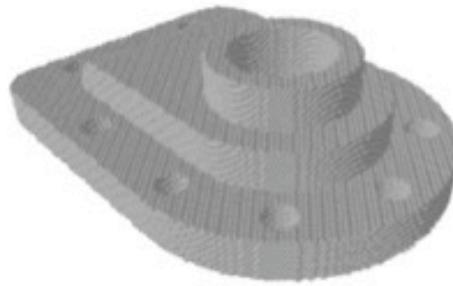
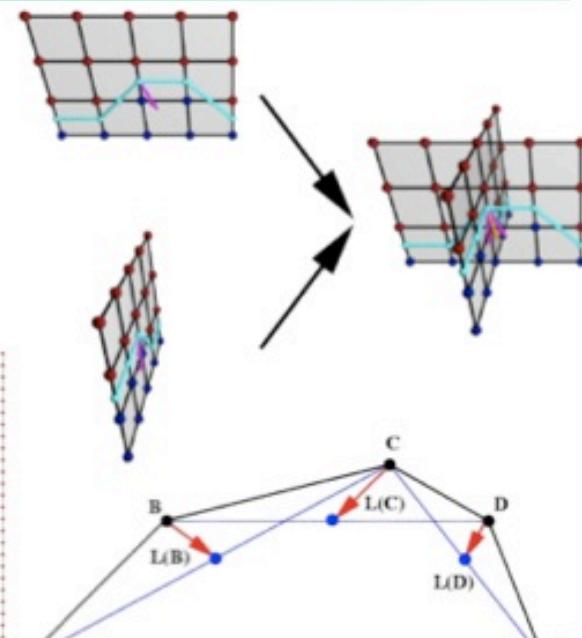
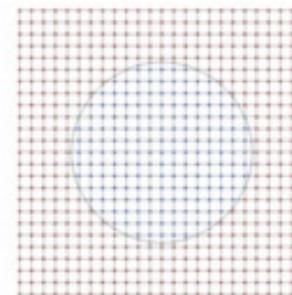
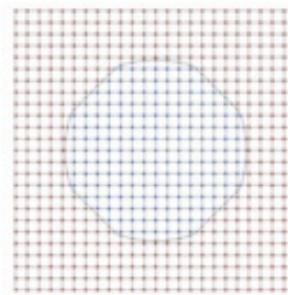
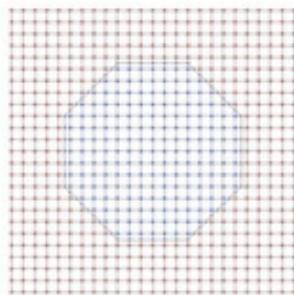
**Figure 9:** Inserting a new vertex on a triangle with its vertices on three different faces.



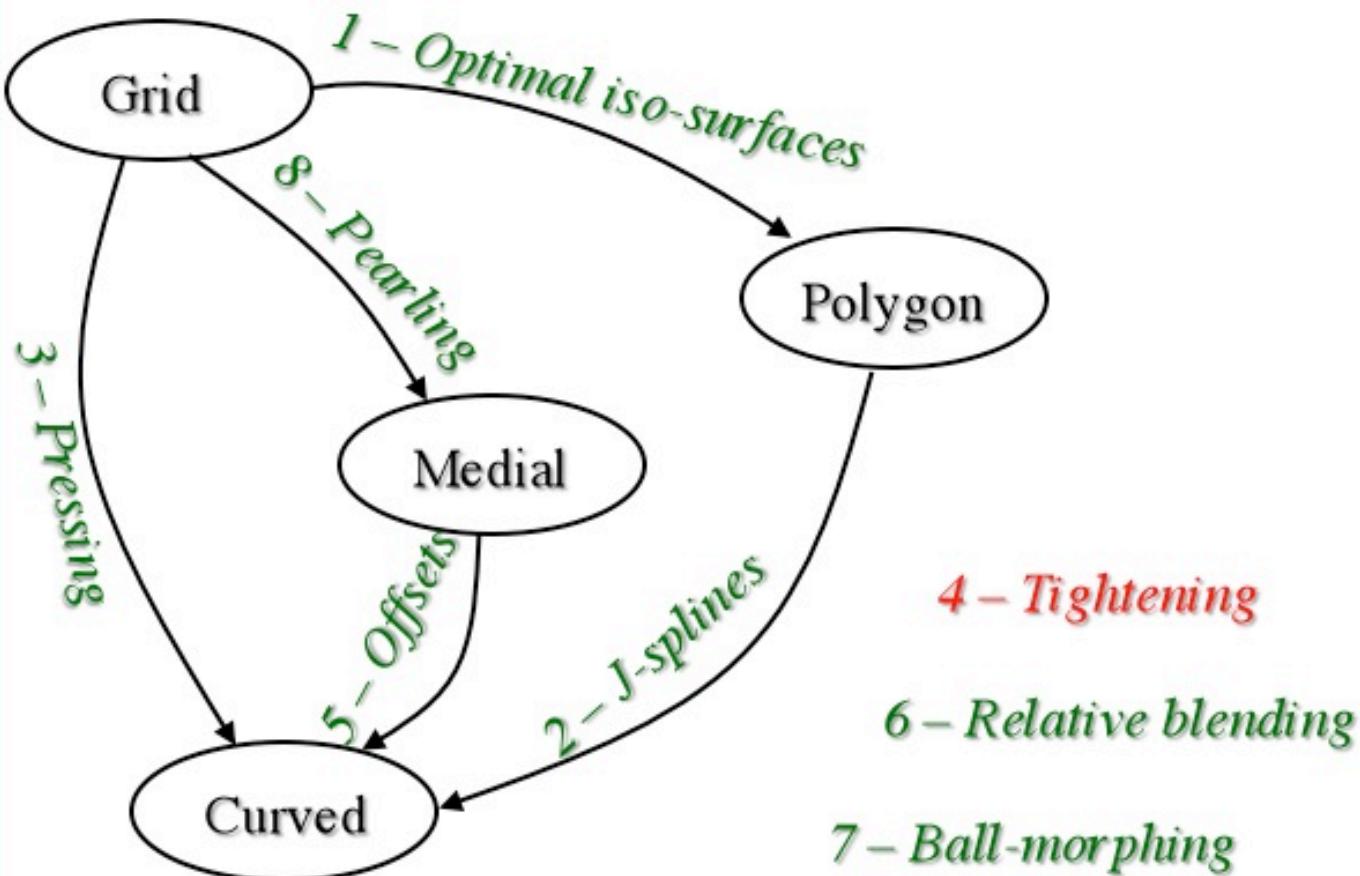
**Figure 10:** Edges with vertices on two different faces are subdivided to recover a feature.

# Smoothing the non-flat parts

- Slide the other vertices along their sticks using a variant of bi-Laplace smoothing on each plane that contains the edge



# TIGHTENING



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Goal: A symmetric morphological filter that produces a smooth shape and modifies a shape only in the r-closing of its boundary



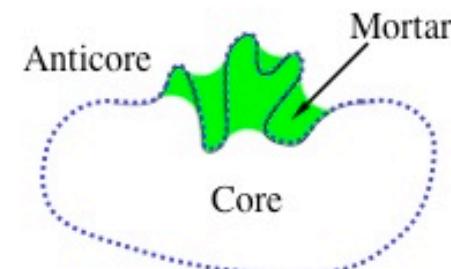
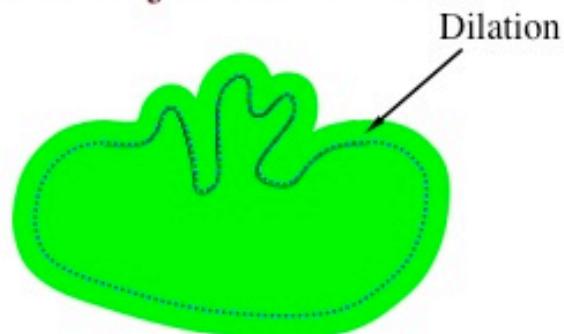
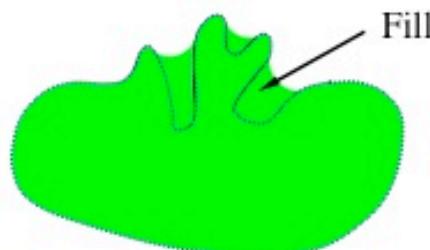
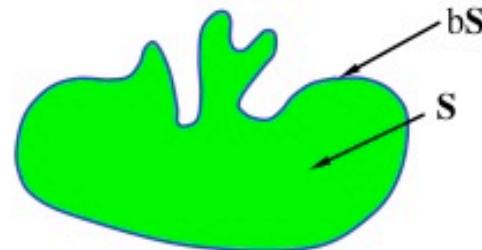
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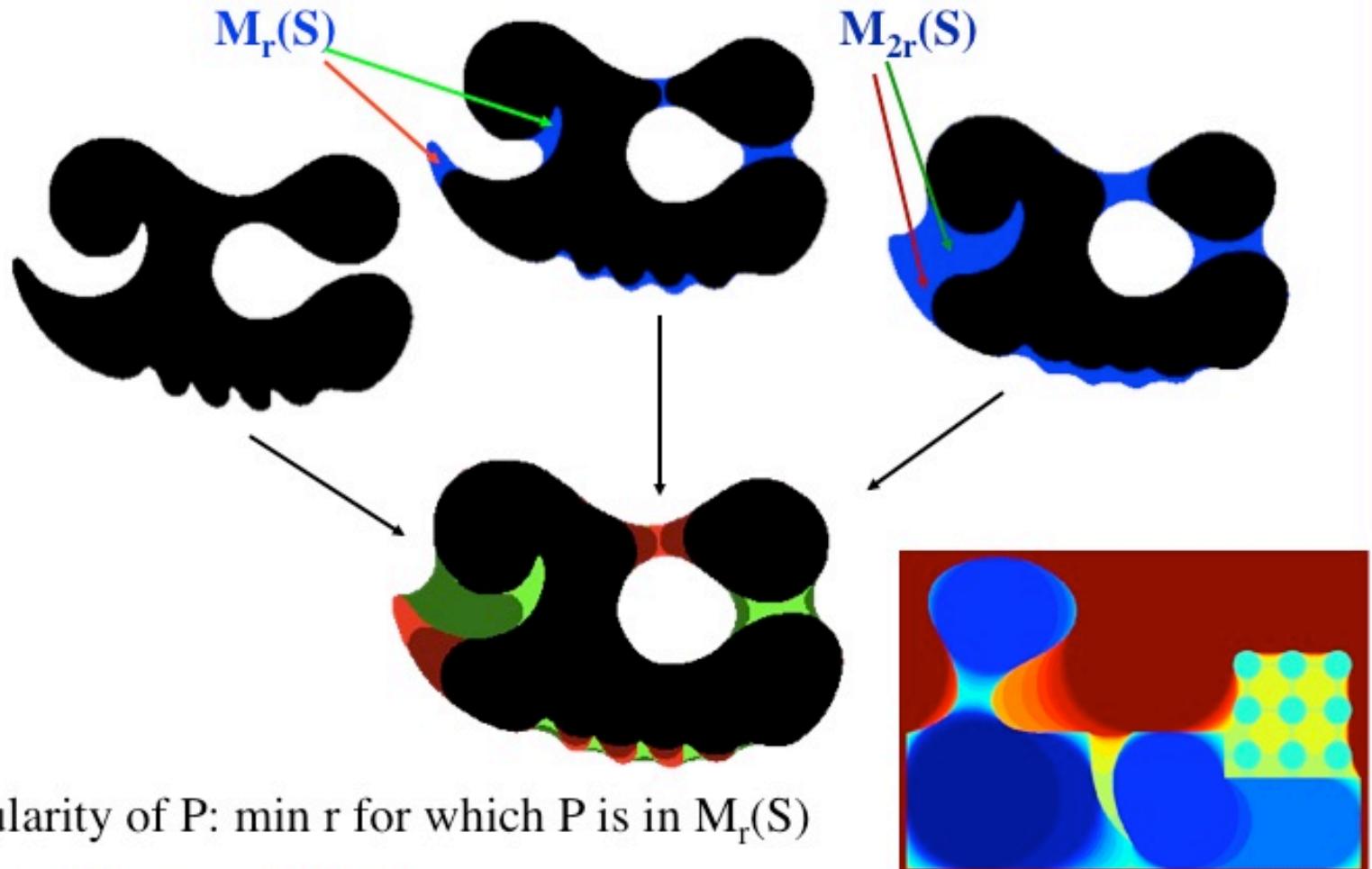
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# Morphological operators (summary)

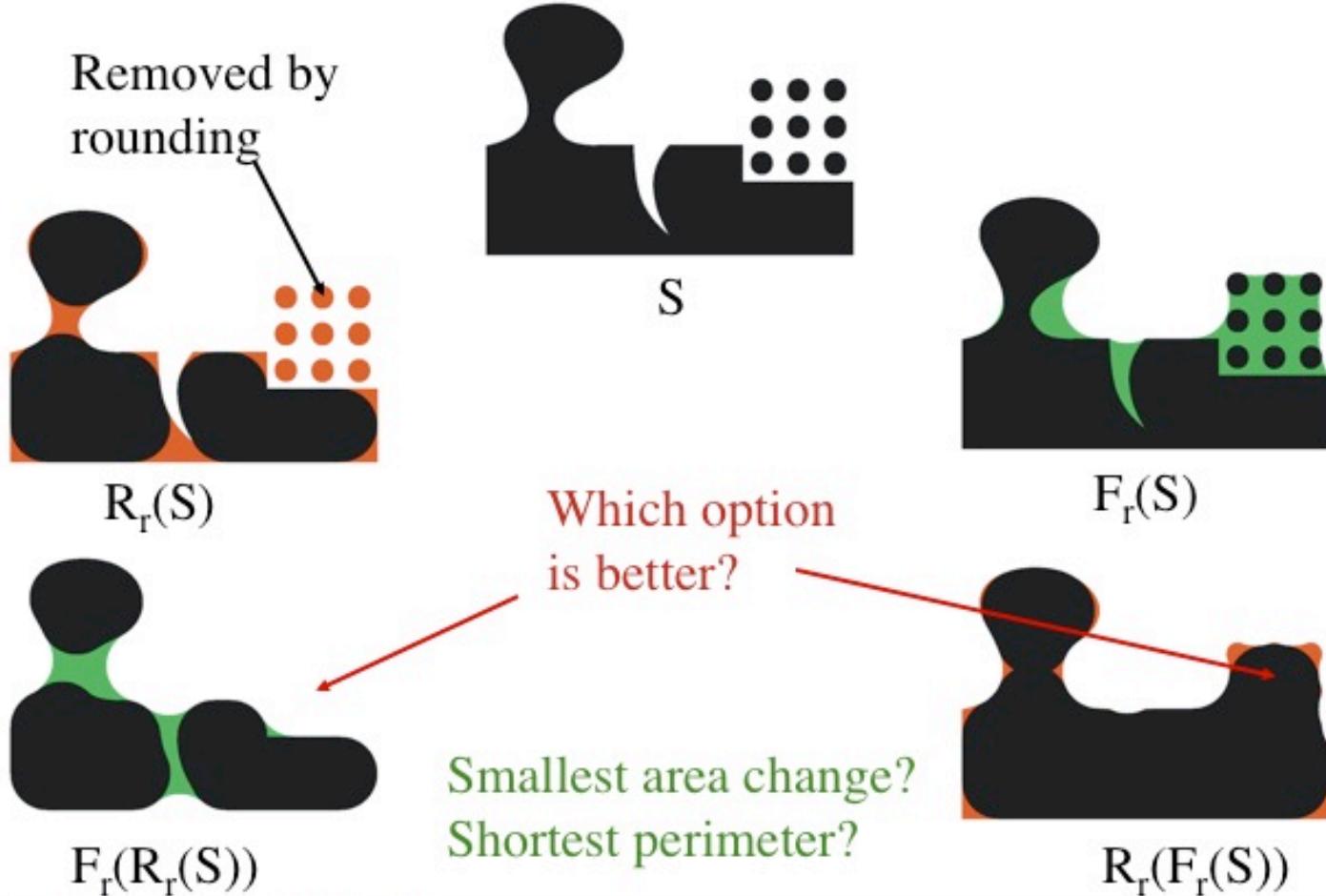
- **Dilation**  $\mathbf{S}^r$  : union of r-balls with centers in  $\mathbf{S}$
- **Round**  $\mathbf{R}_r(\mathbf{S})$  : reachable by r-balls in  $\mathbf{S}$  (opening)
- **Fill**  $\mathbf{F}_r(\mathbf{S})$  : not reachable by r-balls disjoint from  $\mathbf{S}$  (closing)
- **Mortar**  $\mathbf{M}_r(\mathbf{S})$  : not reachable by r-balls disjoint from  $b\mathbf{S}$



# Mortar for multi-resolution analysis of space

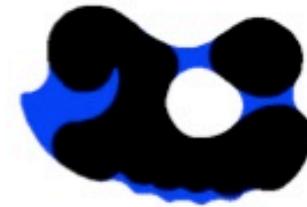


# Which is better: FR or RF?

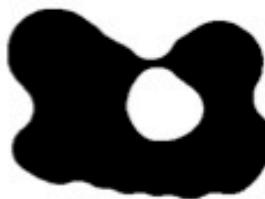


# The Mason filter

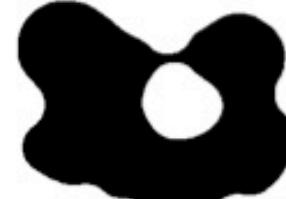
For each connected component  $M$  of  $M_r(S)$  replace  
 $M \cap S$  by  $M \cap F_r(R_r(S))$  or by  $M \cap R_r(F_r(S))$ ,  
whichever best **preserves the shape**  
(minimize area change in  $M$ )



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$F_r(R_r(S))$



Mason

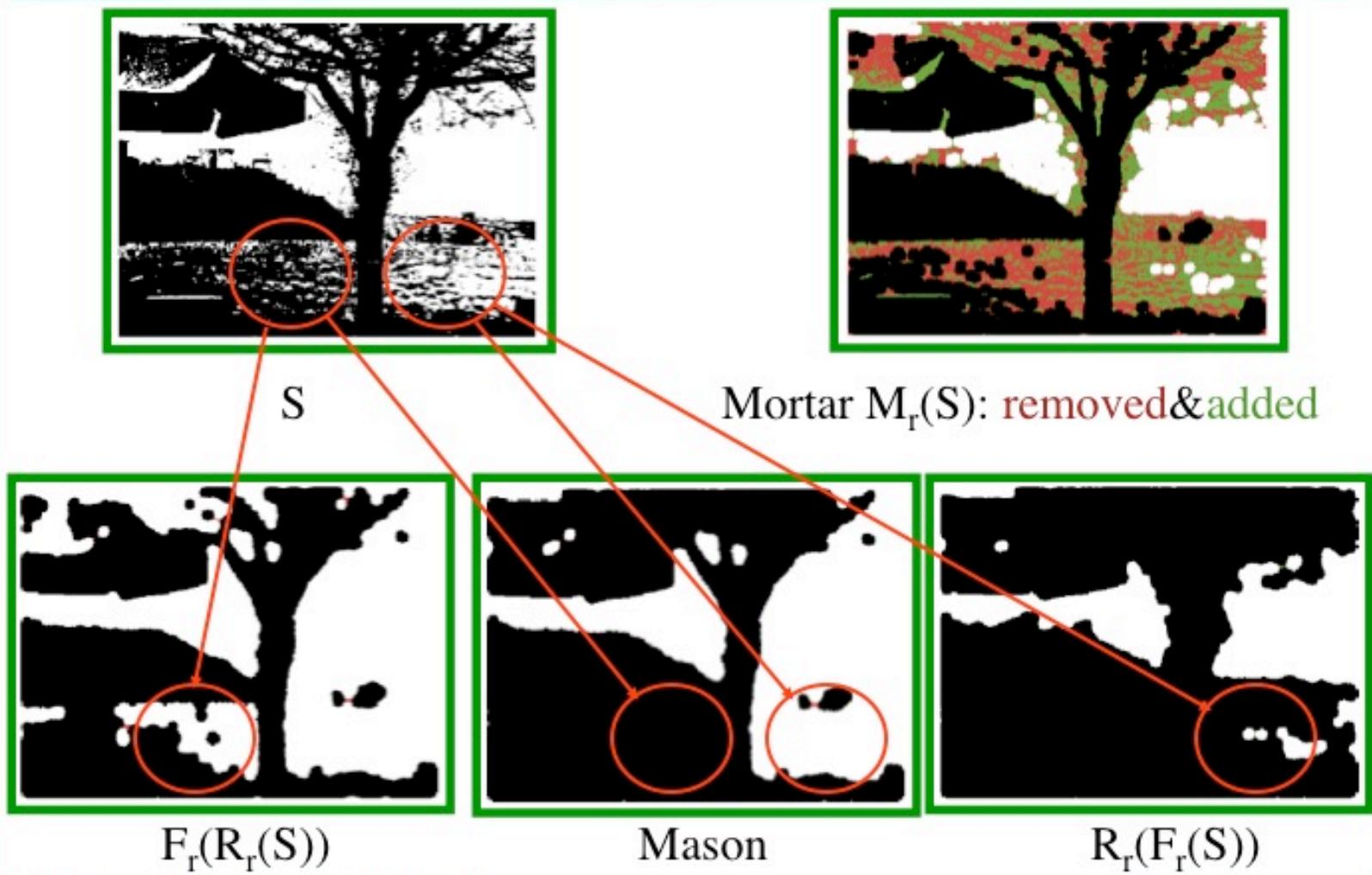


$R_r(F_r(S))$

Preserves density (average area) better than a global  $F_r(R_r(S))$  or  $R_r(F_r(S))$ , but  
does not guarantee smoothness nor minimality of perimeter

"Mason: Morphological Simplification", J. Williams, J. Rossignac. Graphical Models, 67(4)285:303, 2005.

# Mason in Granada



# 3D Mason

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# Tightening

An **r-tightening**,  $T_r(S)$ , of a set  $S$  may be obtained by tightening  $bS$  in the  $r$ -mortar  $M_r(S)$

2D: The shortest of all *homotopic* curves in  $M_r(A)$

3D: Minimal area surface in Mortar



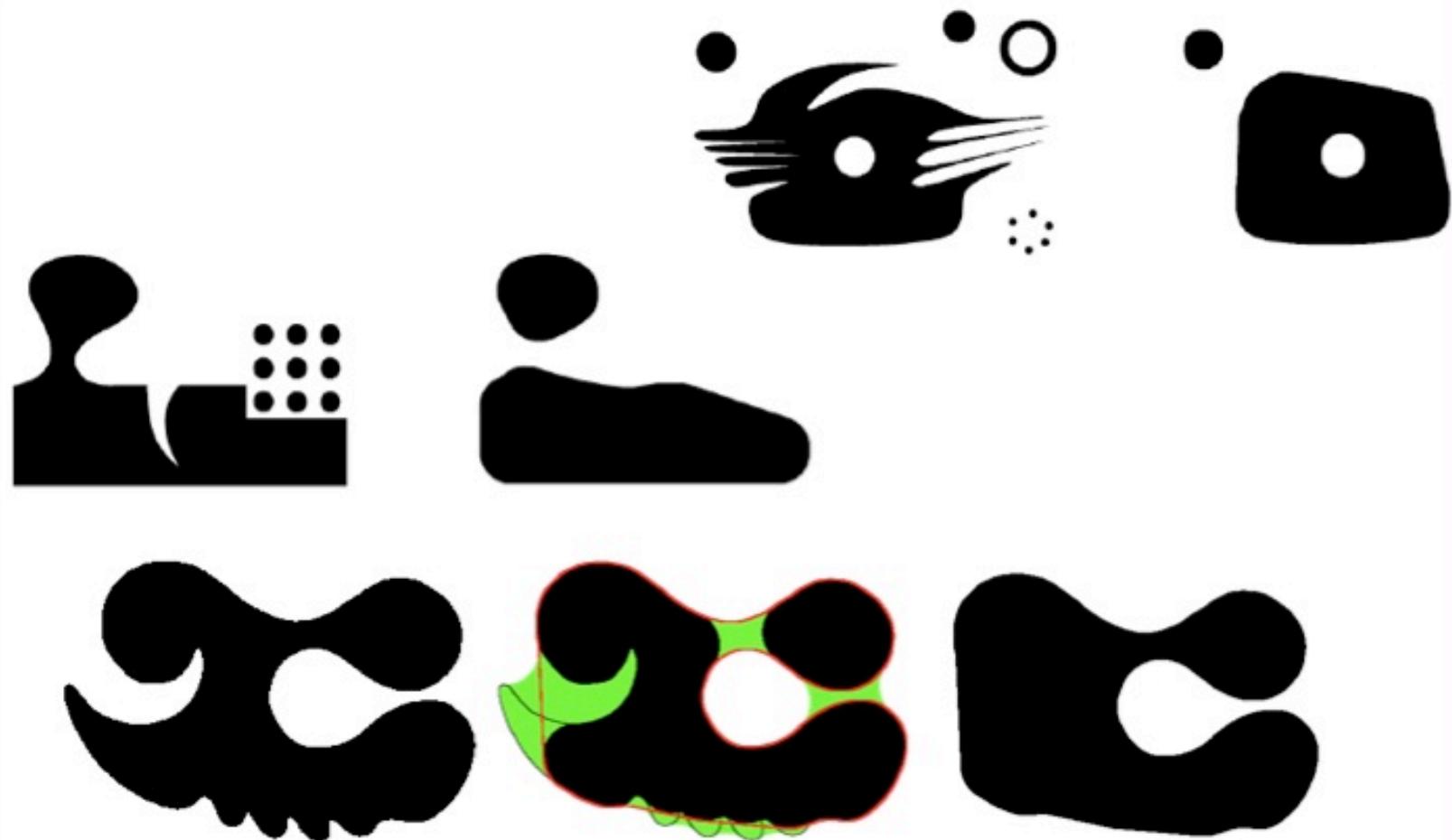
Related to the Tight Hull  
[Sklansky&Kibler76 ,  
Robinson97, Mitchell04],  
but the hull is the mortar!



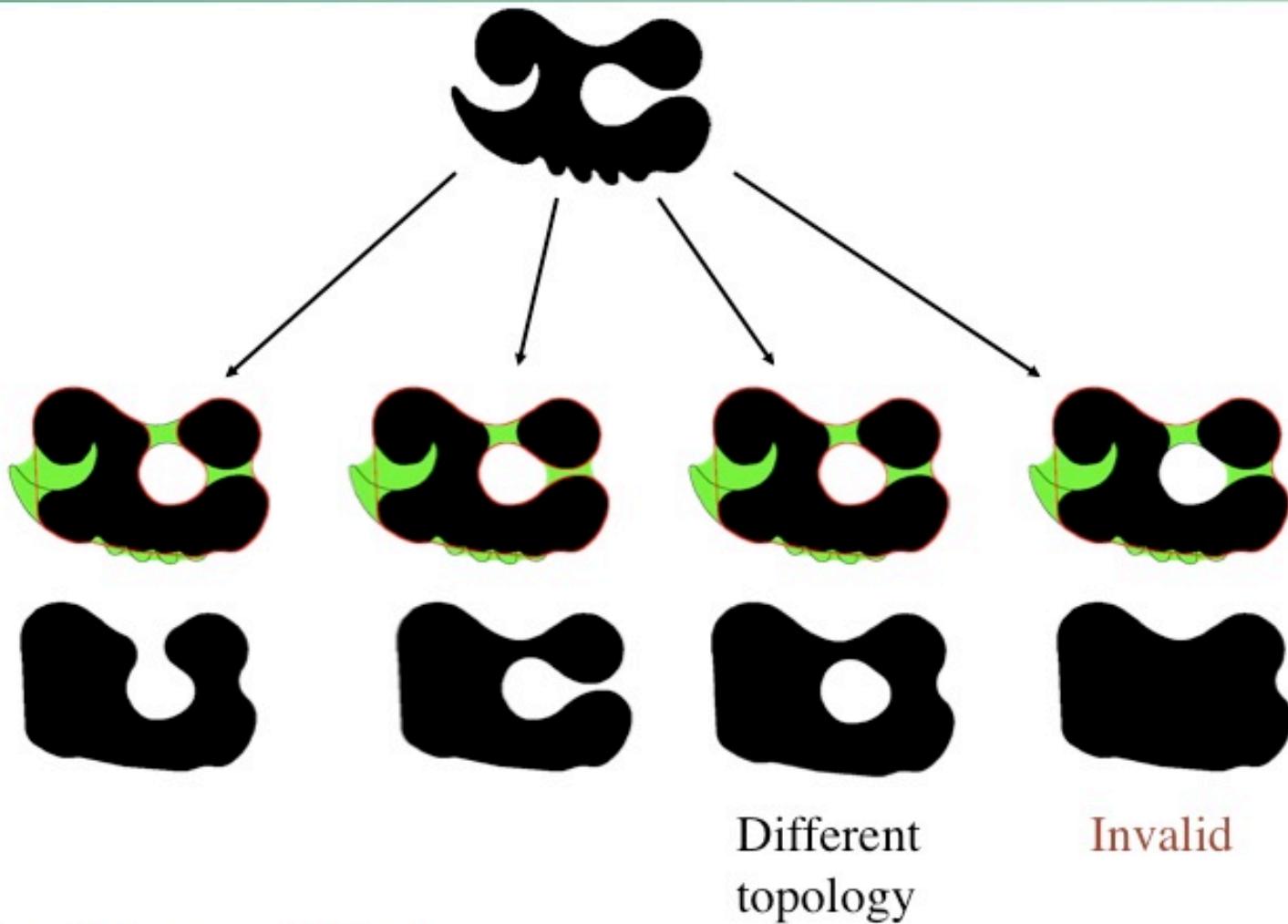
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## Example of tightening in 2D

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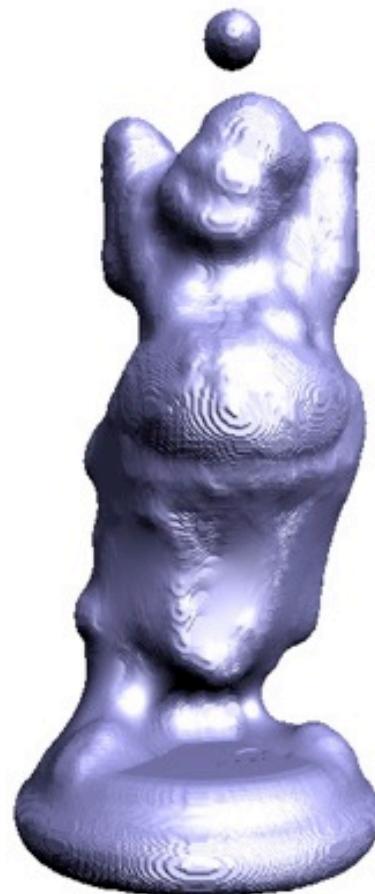


# Topological choices of tightening

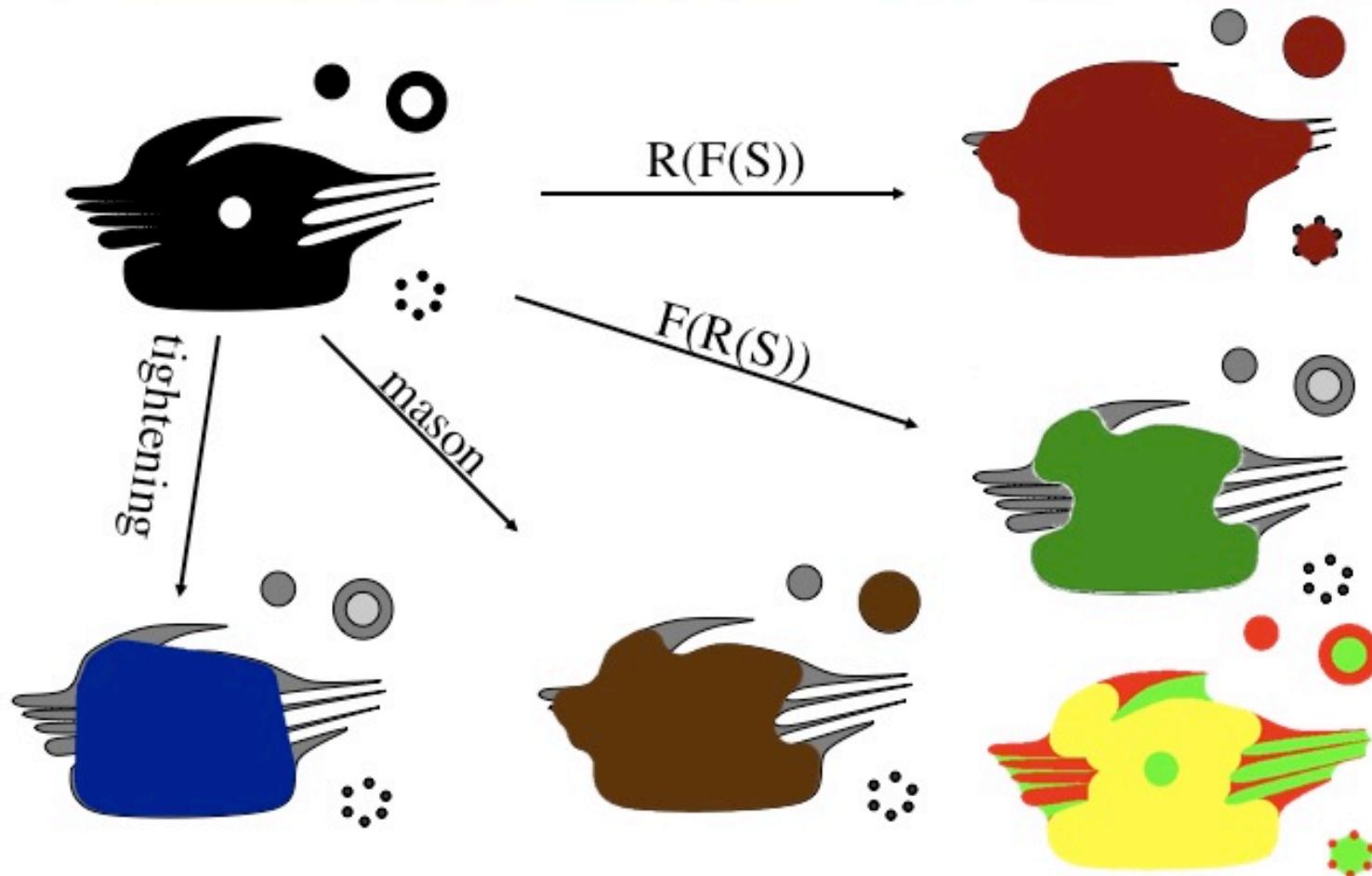


## Examples of 3D tightening

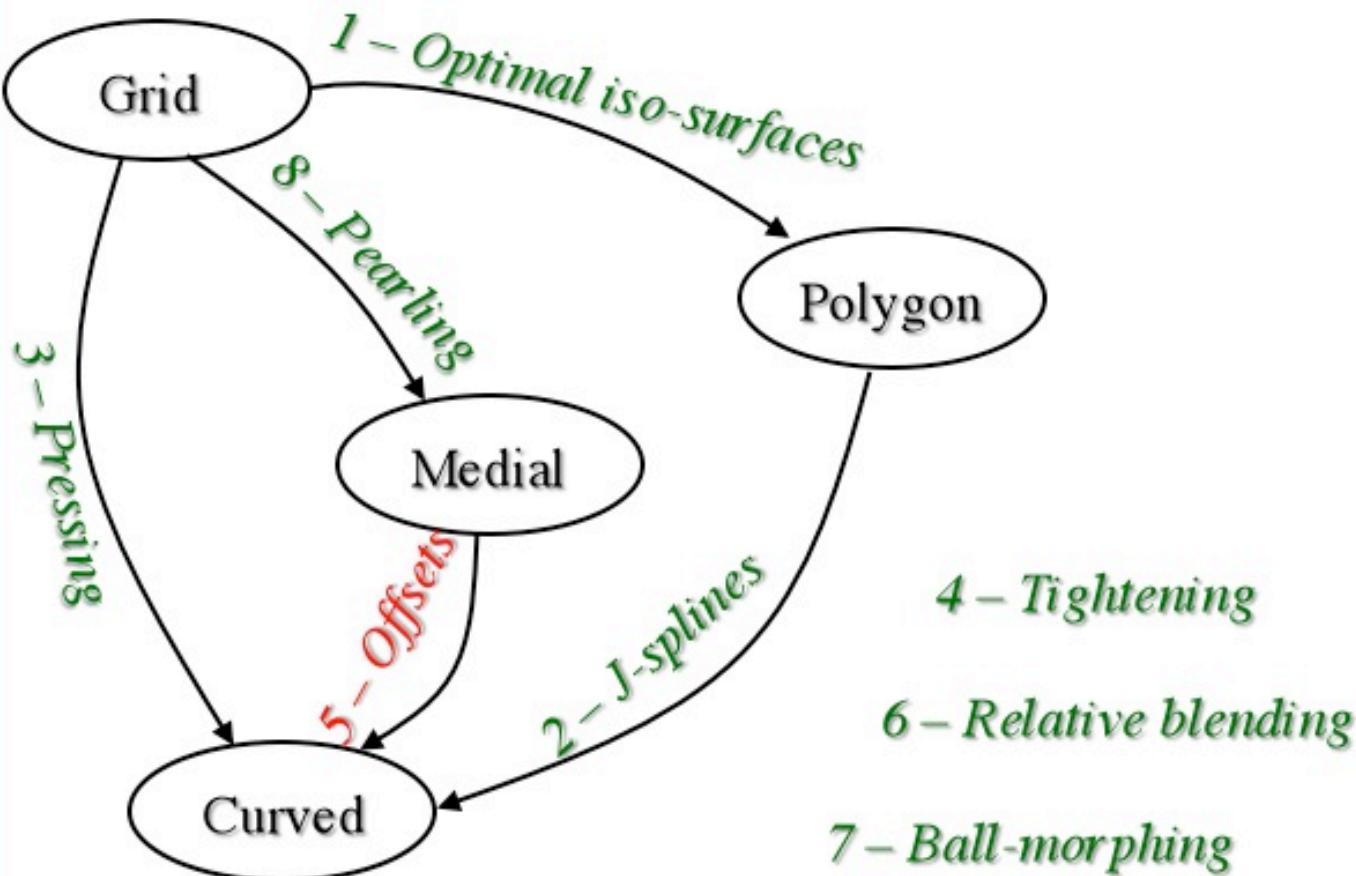
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# Comparing morphological simplifications

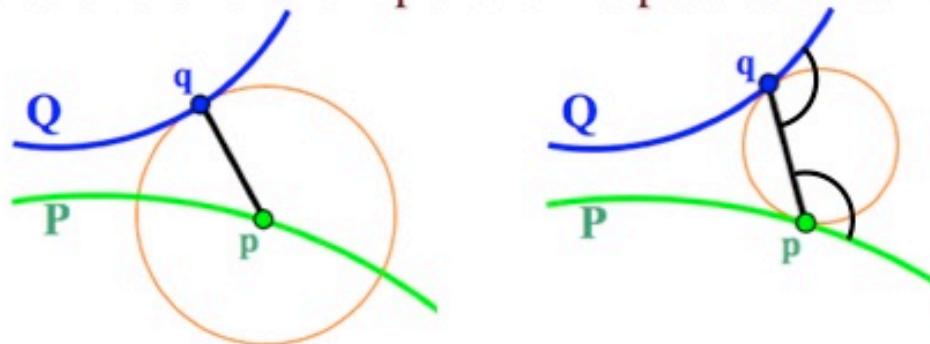


# OFFSETS



# OFFSETTING

Goal: Compare mappings between shapes and variable distance offset formulations of one shape with respect to another.



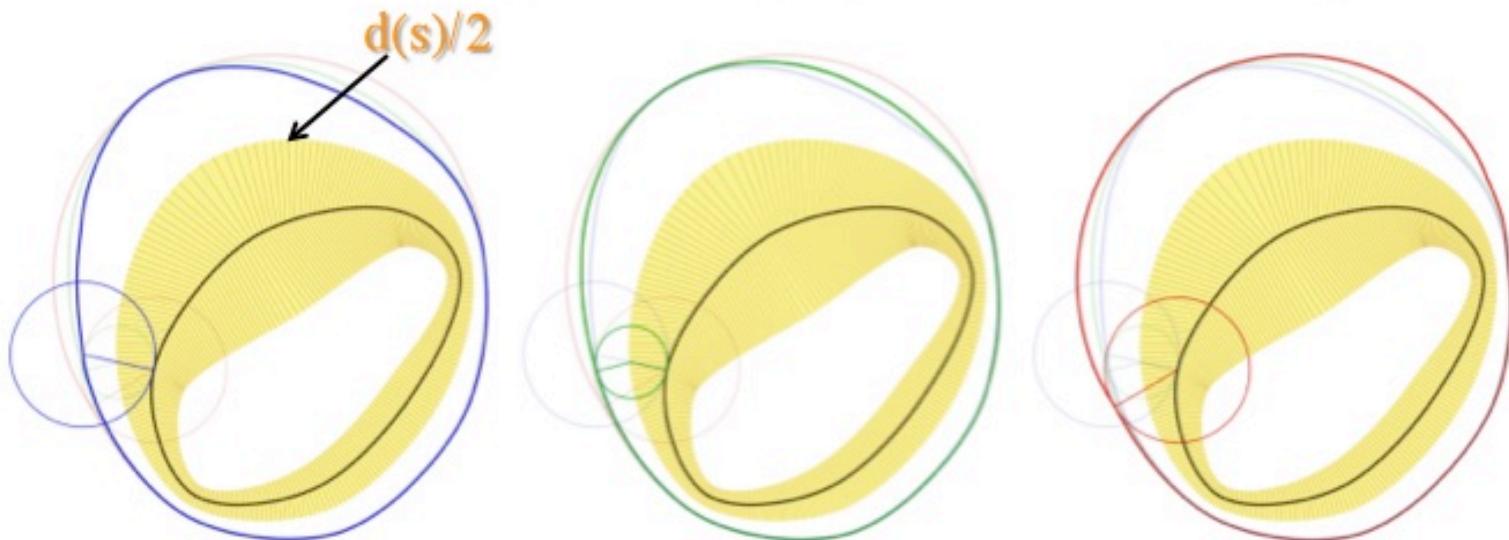
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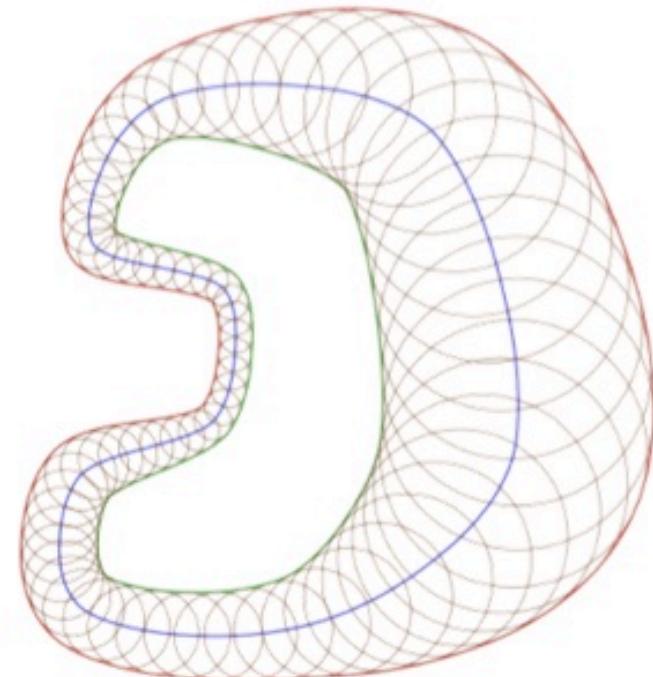
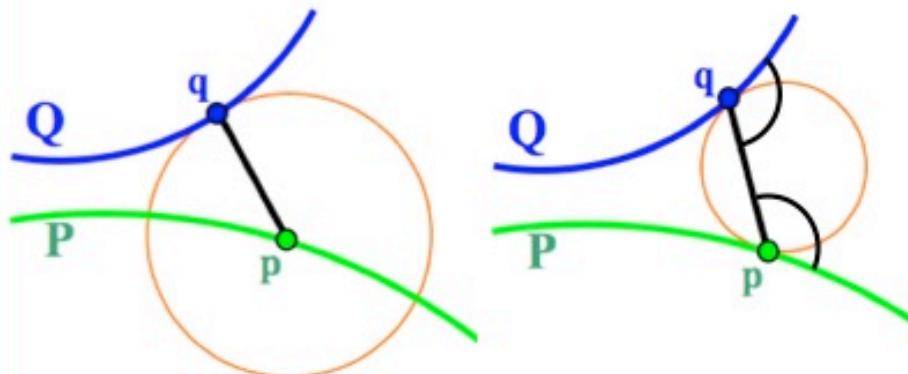
# Three variable distance offset formulations

- Orthogonal  $O_d(P)$ : move  $P$  along normal to  $P+dN$
- Radial  $R_d(P)$ : move  $P(s)$  to closest projection on envelop
  - Move  $P$  to  $P+dD$ , along direction  $D = -d' T + \sqrt{(1 - d'^2)} N$
- Ball  $B_d(P) = R_r(O_r(P))$  with  $r=d/2$ .
  - Envelop swept by ball of varying diameter  $d(s)$  sliding on curve



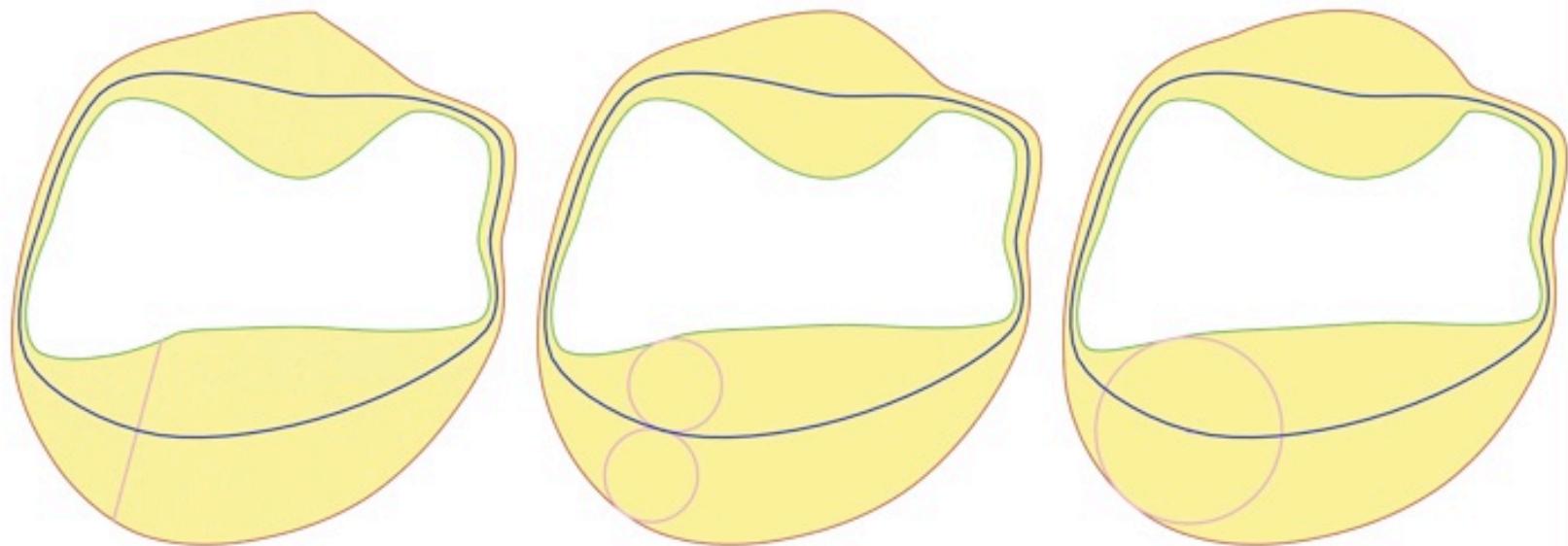
# Relation between offset formulations

- Radial is inverse of orthogonal (different d)
  - Red and green are radial offsets of blue
  - Blue is orthogonal offset of red and of green
- Ball is inverse of itself (same d)
  - Red is the ball offset of green
  - Green is the ball offset of red



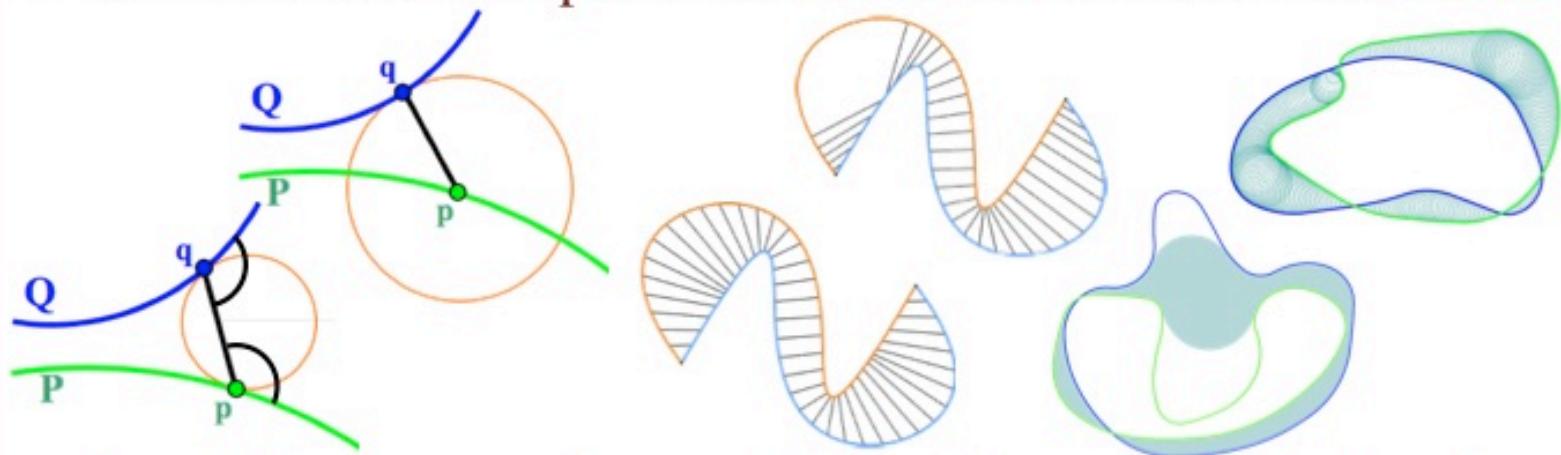
# Comparing the 3 offsets

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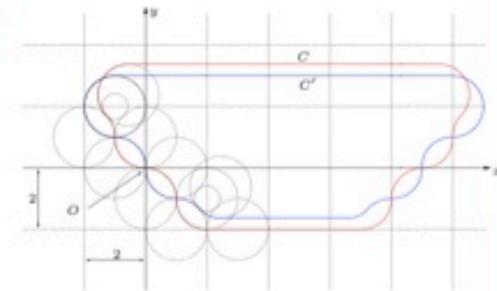


# Compatibility

- Two sets are x-compatible if each is the x-offset of the other

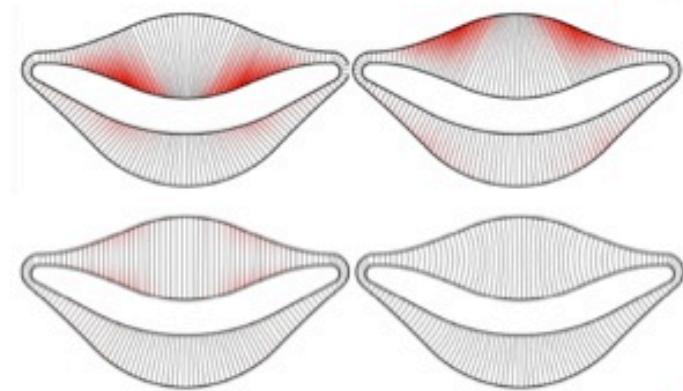
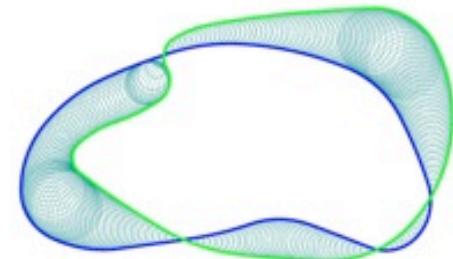
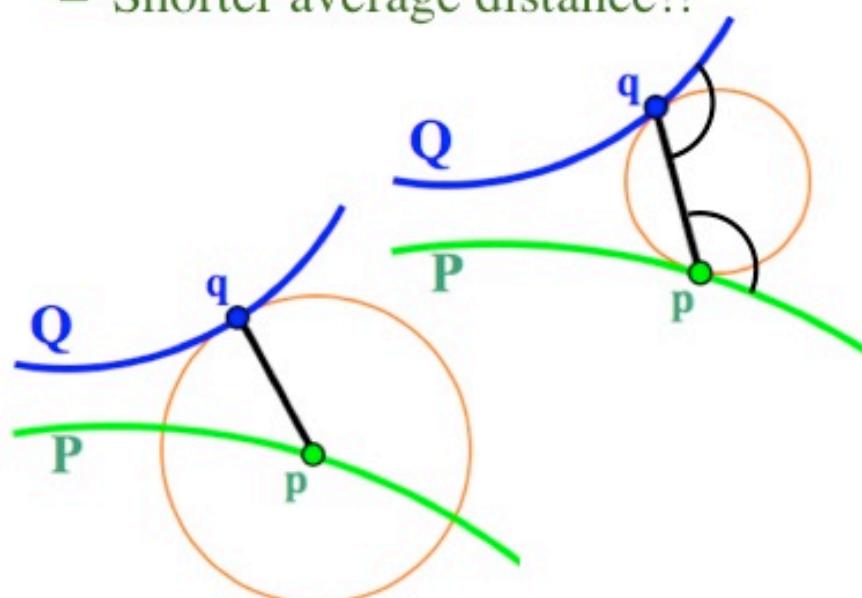


- A and B are **normal-compatible** (orthogonal offset of each other), and hence also radial-compatible, if  $H(A,B) < (2-\sqrt{2})\min(\text{mfs}(A),\text{mfs}(b))$ , tight
- A and B are **ball-compatible** if  $H(A,B) < \min(\text{mfs}(A),\text{mfs}(b))$ , tight bound
- A and B ball-compatible  $\Rightarrow H(A,B) = F(A,B)$  Frechet=Hausdorff



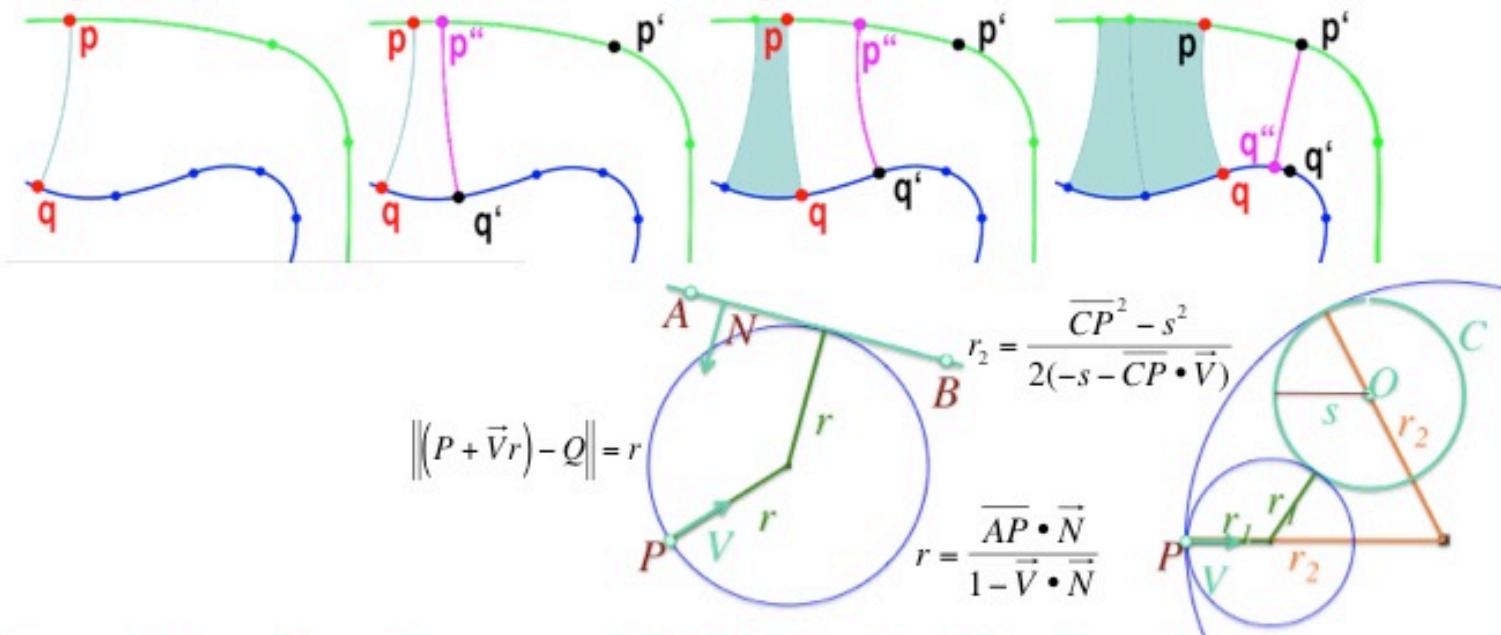
# Ball-Map

- *Ball-map*: Maps contact points of maximal balls in  $P \times Q$
- Advantages over *Closest Point map*
  - Symmetric (same incidence angle)
  - No distortion between symmetric features
  - Shorter average distance!!

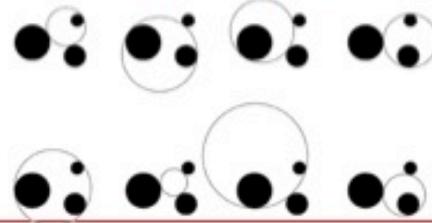
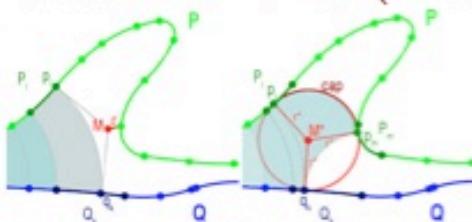


# Ball map computation for *PCCs* in 2D

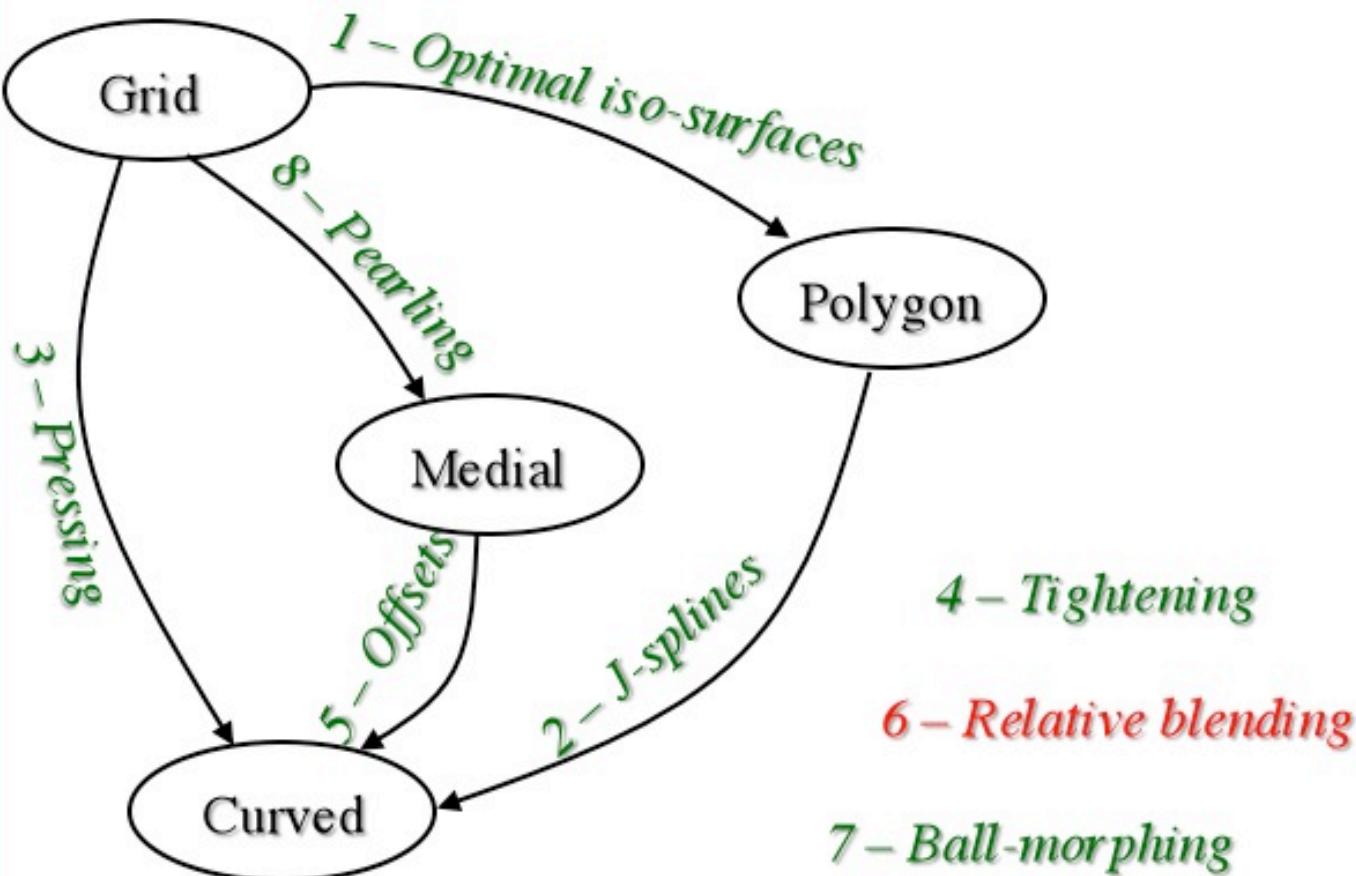
- Map the *first* end of current arc-pair and advance



- Detect branches (incompatibilities): Apollonius circle



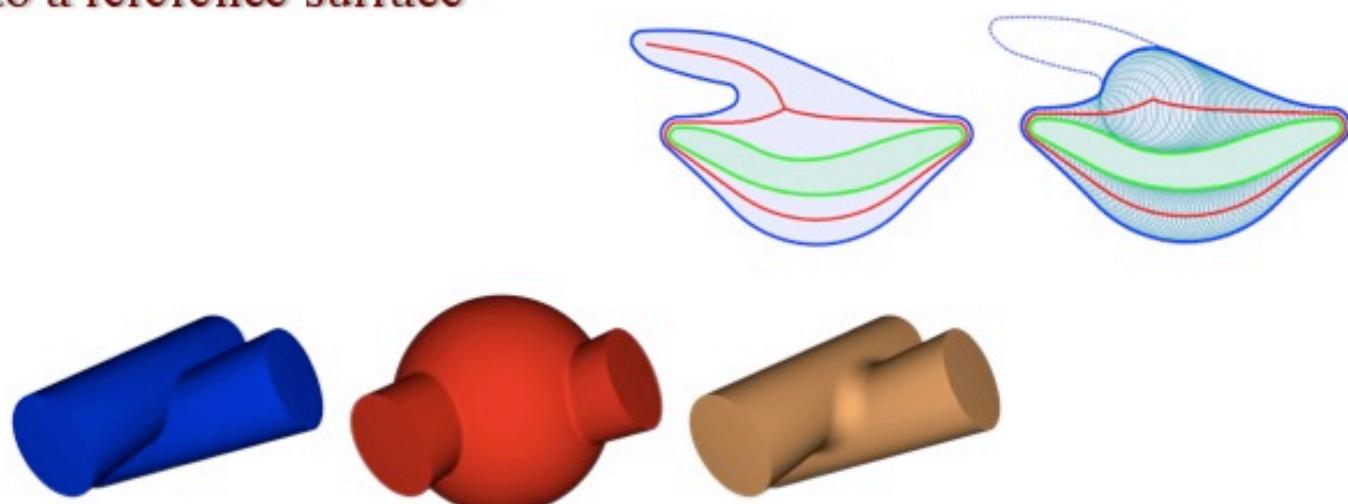
# BLENDING



# RELATIVE BLENDING

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Goal: Specify the variable blending radius using the radius of the ball map to a reference surface

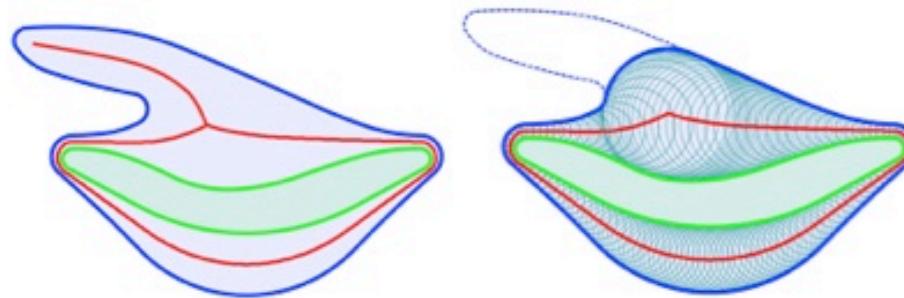


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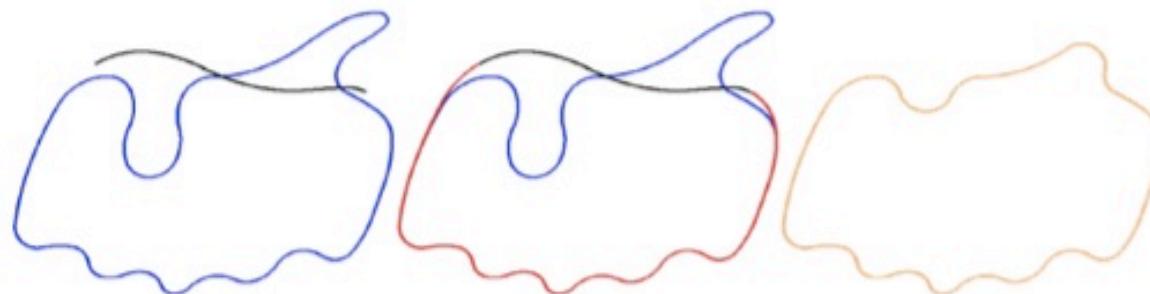
# Motivations

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- Make two shapes ball compatible

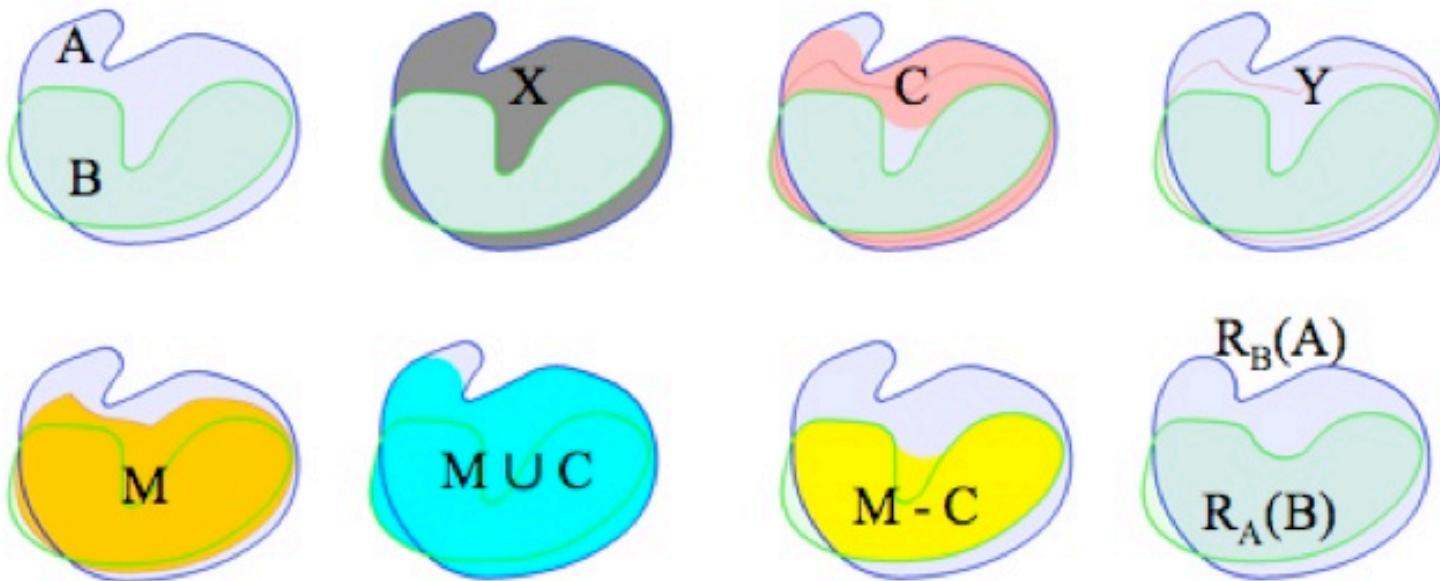


- Provide useful tool for defining variable radius blending



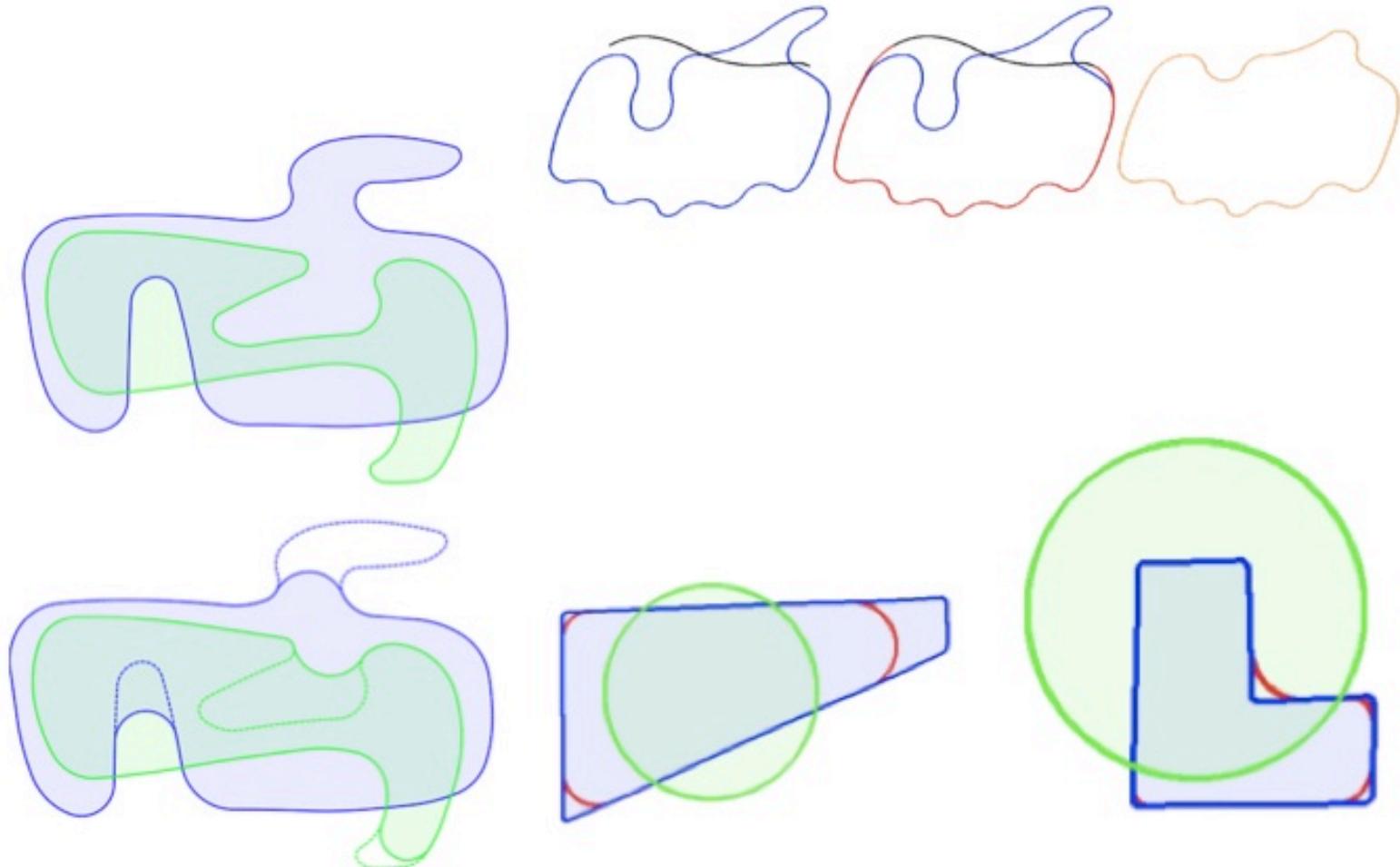
# Relative Blending: Set theoretic formula

- $X = A \text{ xor } B$
- $C = \text{balls that touch both,}$   $R_B(A) = (A \cap (M \cup C)) \cup (M - C)$
- $Y = \text{their centers,}$   $R_A(B) = (B \cap (M \cup C)) \cup (M - C)$
- $M = \text{interior of } Y$

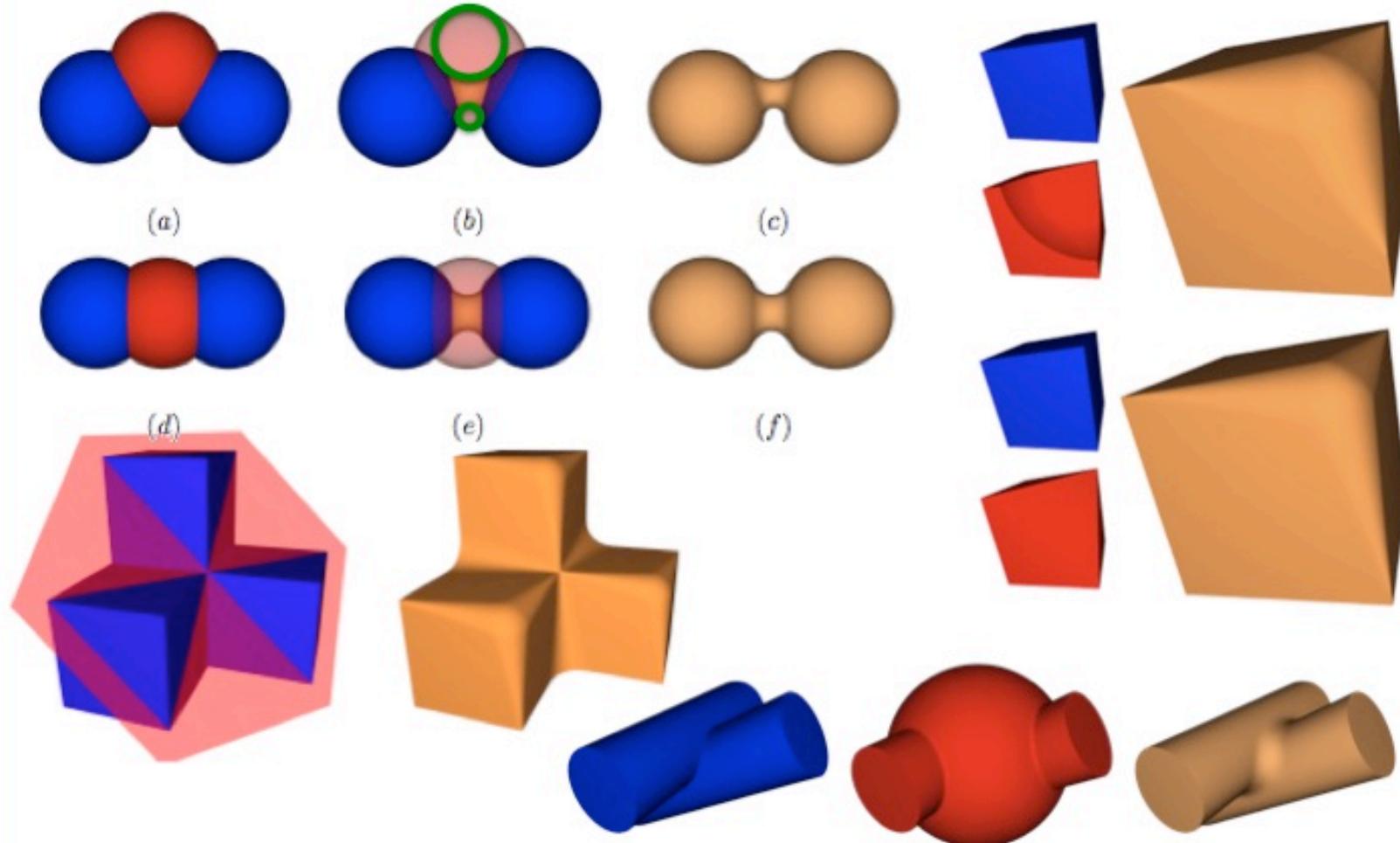


# Relative Blending: 2D examples

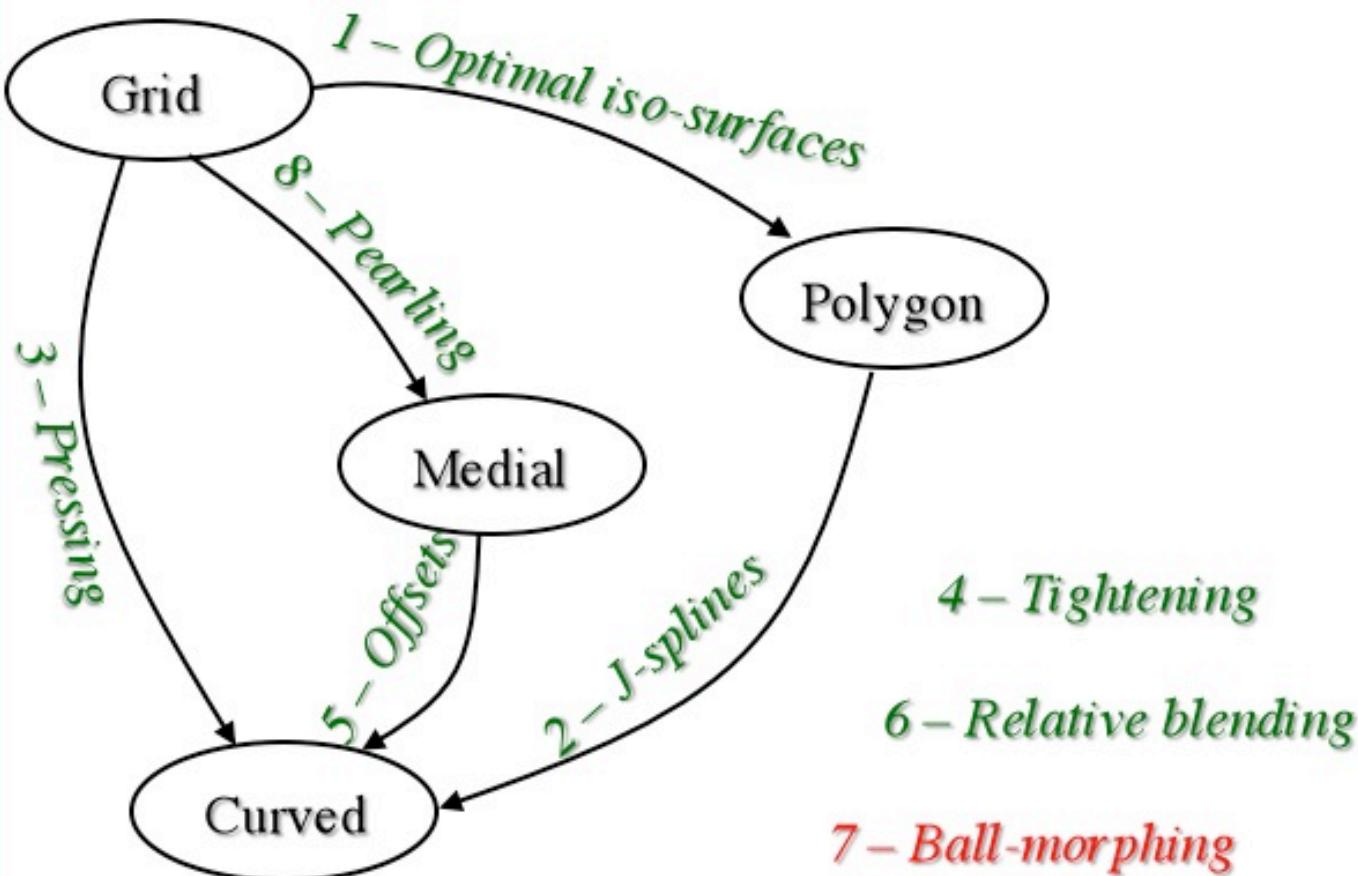
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# Relative Blending: 3D examples

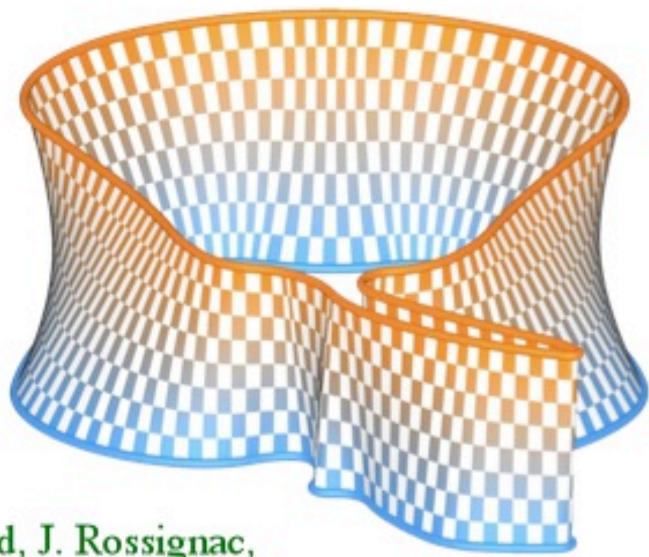
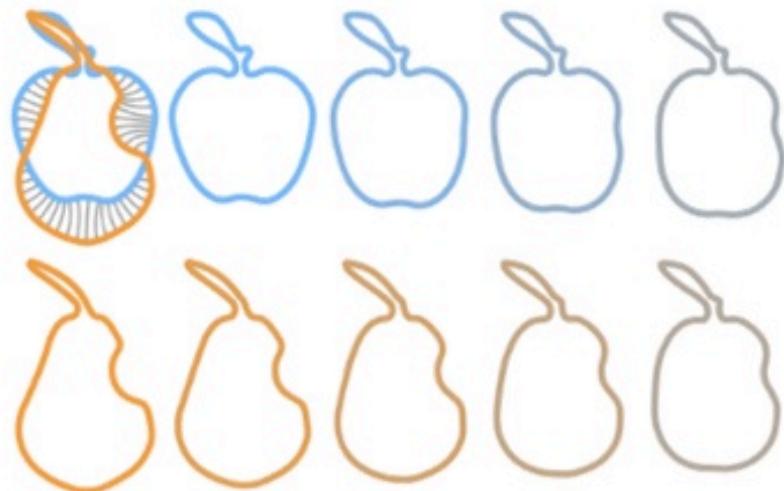


# MORPHING



# Ball morph

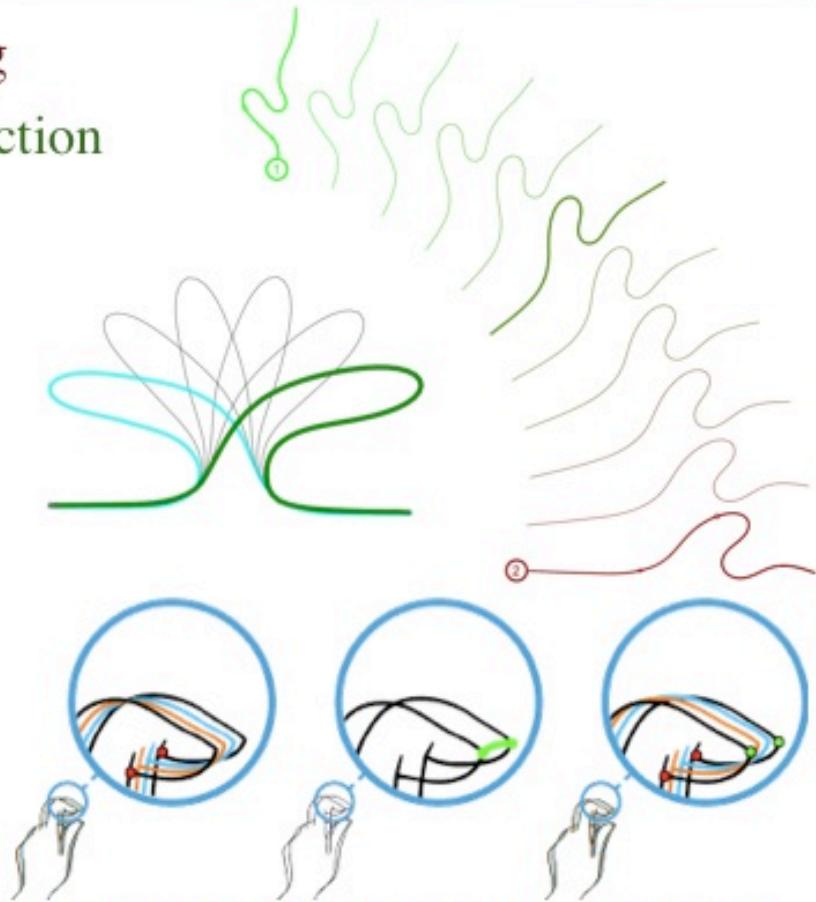
Goal: Specify morph between two curves or two surfaces



**B-morphs between b-compatible curves**, B. Whited, J. Rossignac,  
ACM Symposium on Solid and Physical Modeling (SPM), 2009

# *BetweenIT*

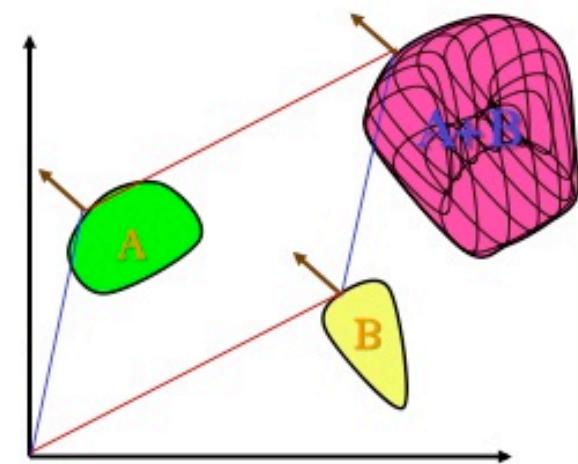
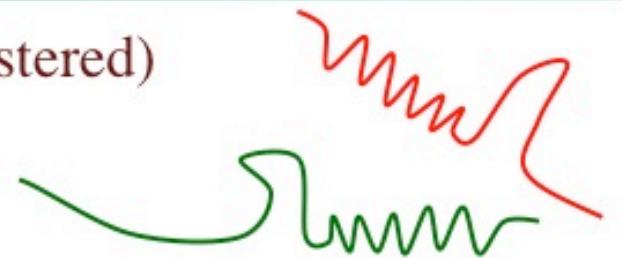
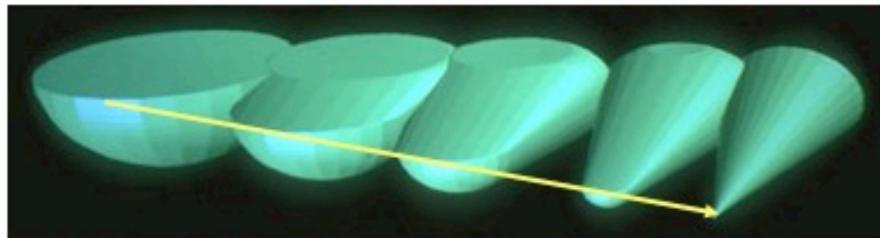
- Automate tight inbetweening
  - for feature animation production
- Issues:
  - Segmentation into strokes
  - Correspondence
  - Morphing strokes
  - Occlusion
  - Enable artists' tweaks



*"BetweenIT: An Interactive Tool for Tight Inbetweening"*, B. Whited, G. Norris, M. Simmons, R. Sumner, M. Gros, J. Rossignac. 2009.

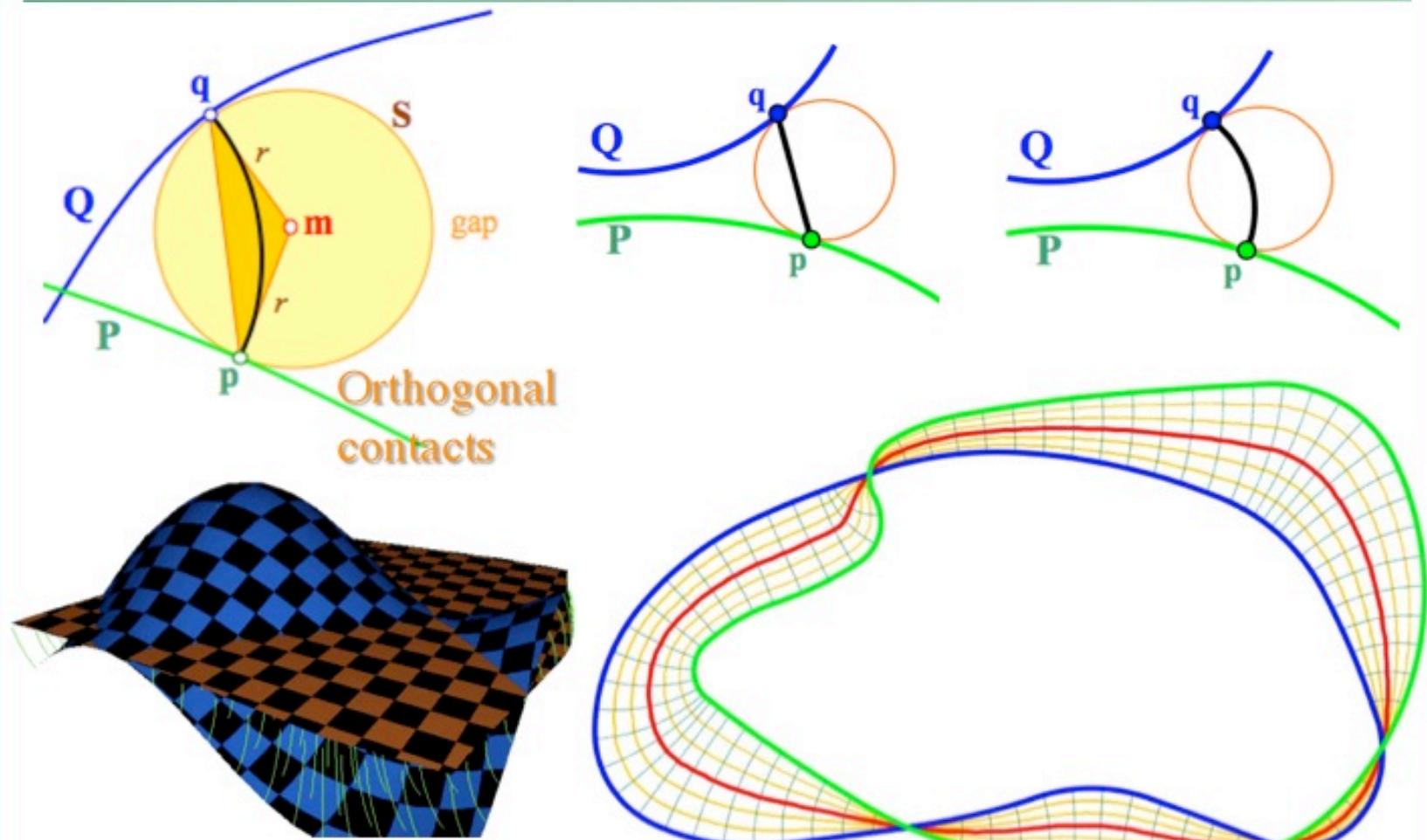
# The correspondence problem

- Intrinsic (assume curves are not registered)
  - Uniform arc-length sampling
  - Curvature sensitive sampling
  - Smooth sampling constrained by matched salient feature pairs
- Extrinsic (assume curves are registered)
  - Closest Point: **distance**
  - Minkowski morph: **normal**
  - Ball map: **distance and normal**



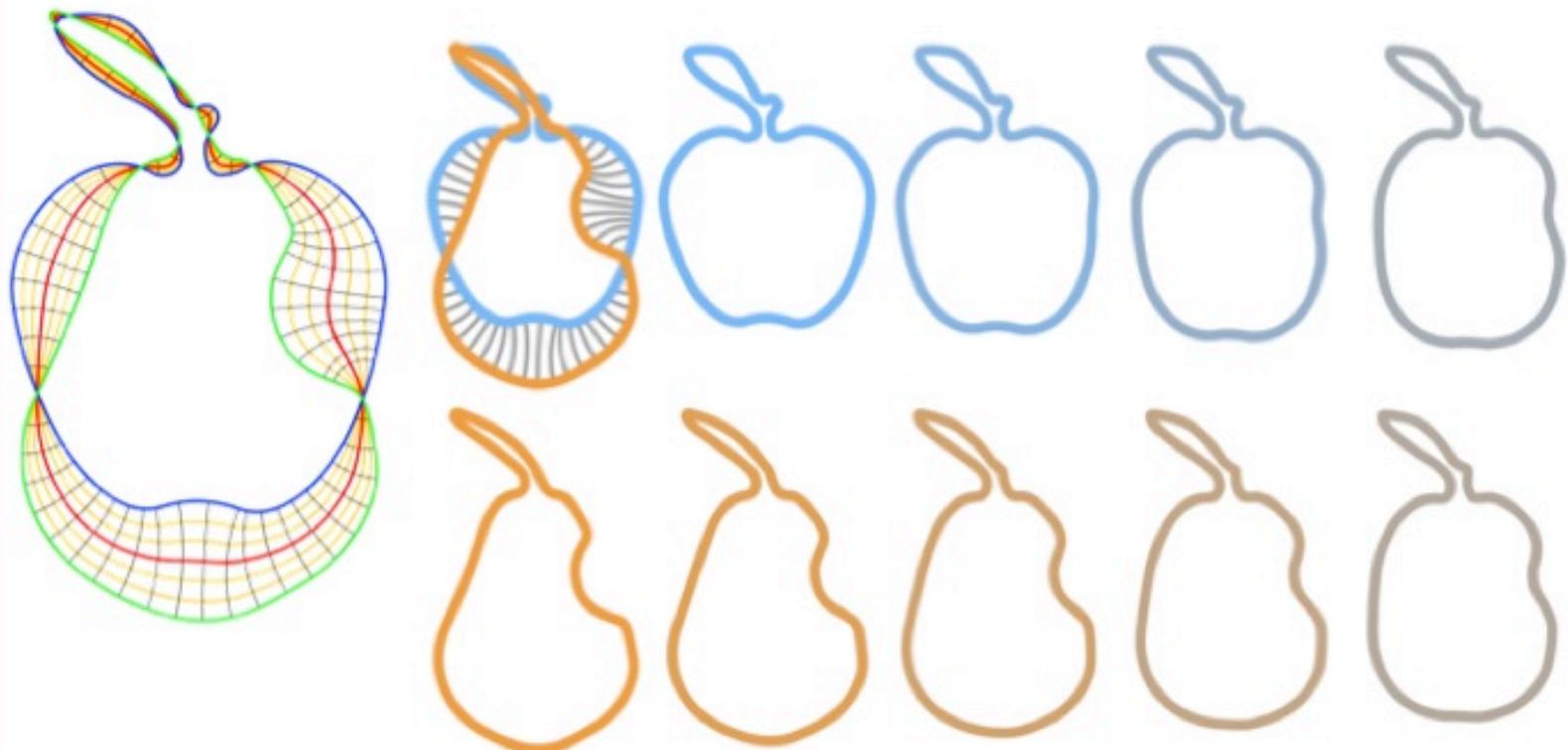
"Solid-Interpolating Deformations: Construction and Animation of PIPs", A. Kaul and J. [Rossignac](#),  
Computers&Graphics, Vol. 16, No. 1, pp. 107-115, 1992.

# Ball morph: Circular trajectories

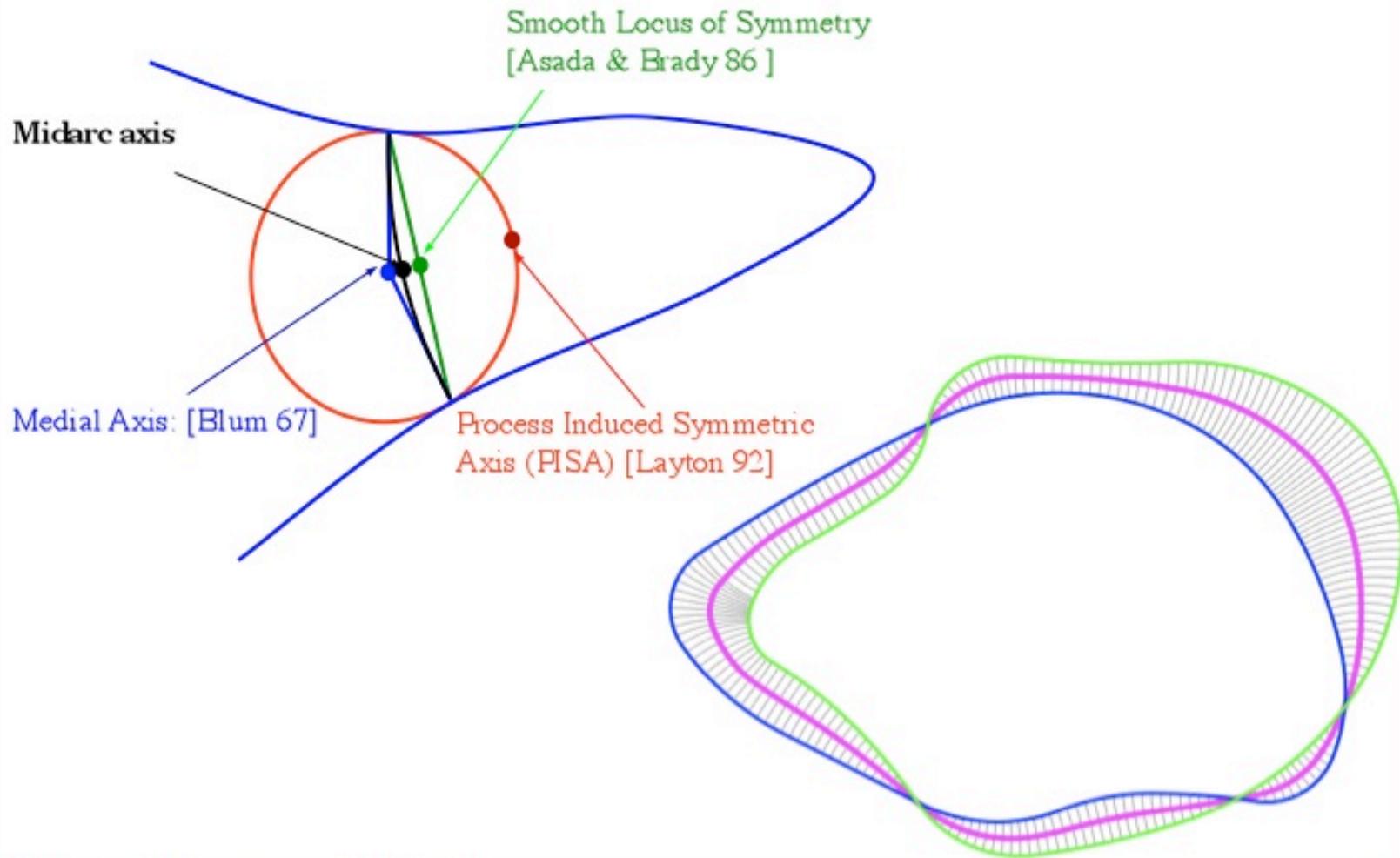


# Ball morph example

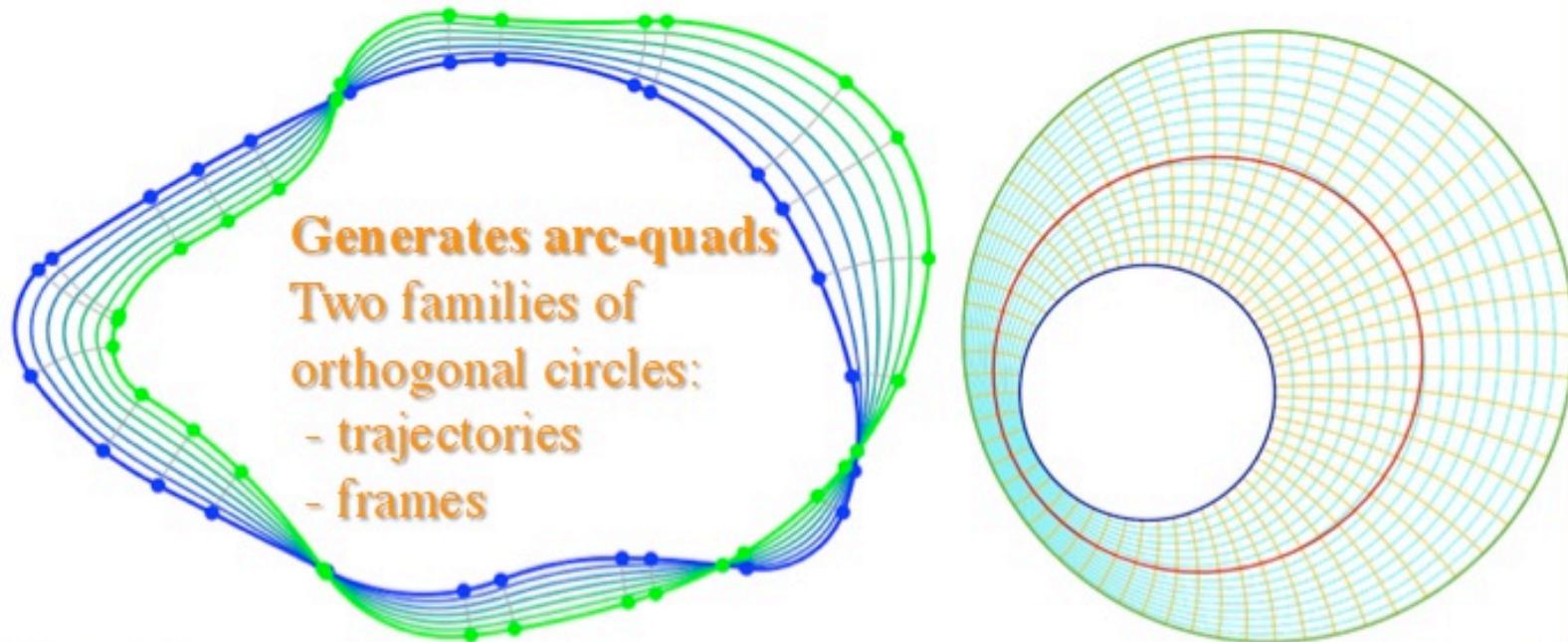
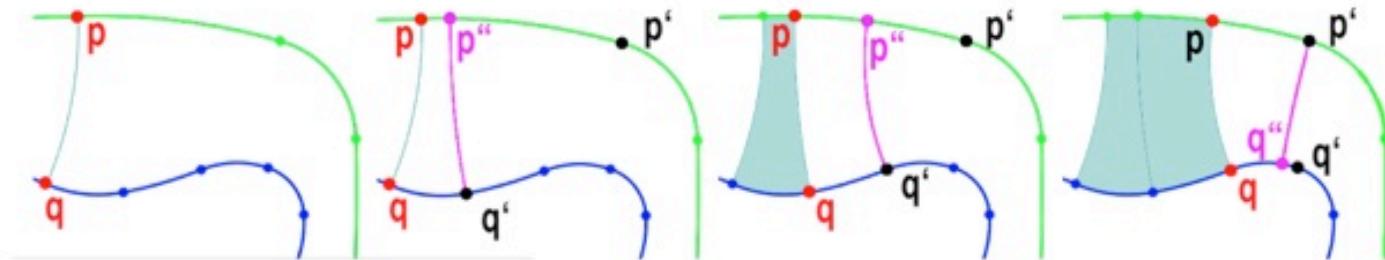
- Samples move at constant speed along ball-map arcs



# Midarc axis:

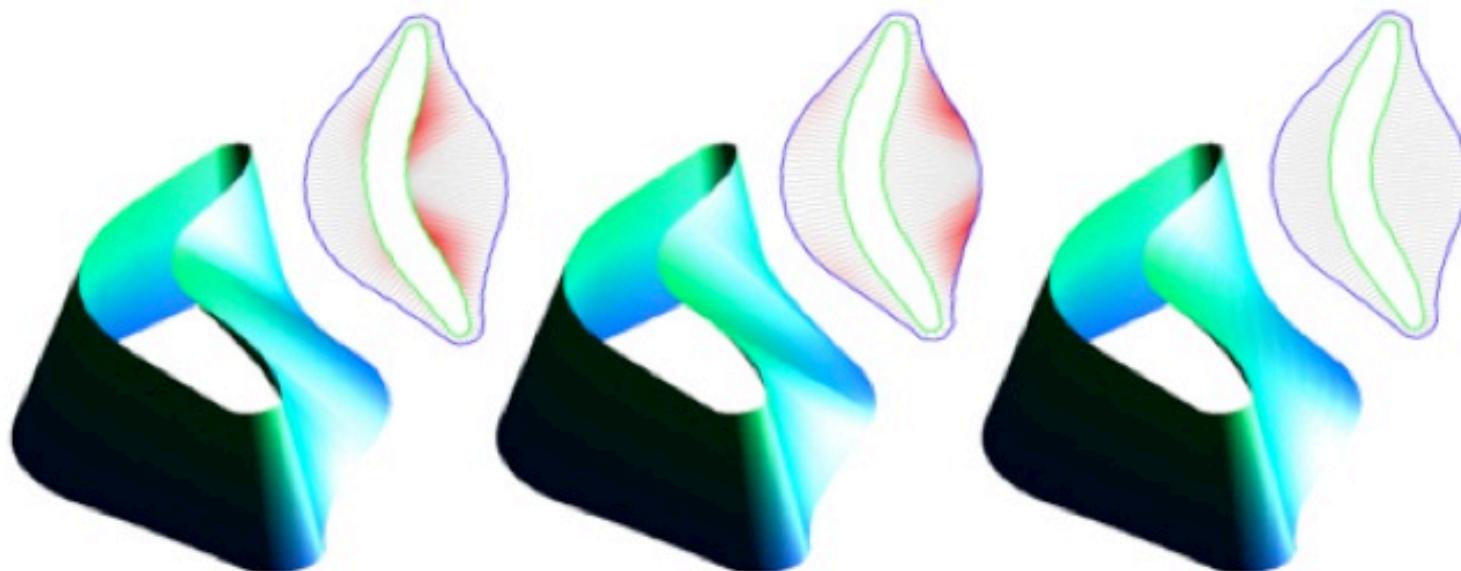
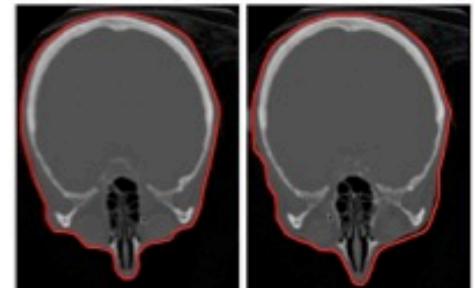


# Ball morph: Defines arc-quads



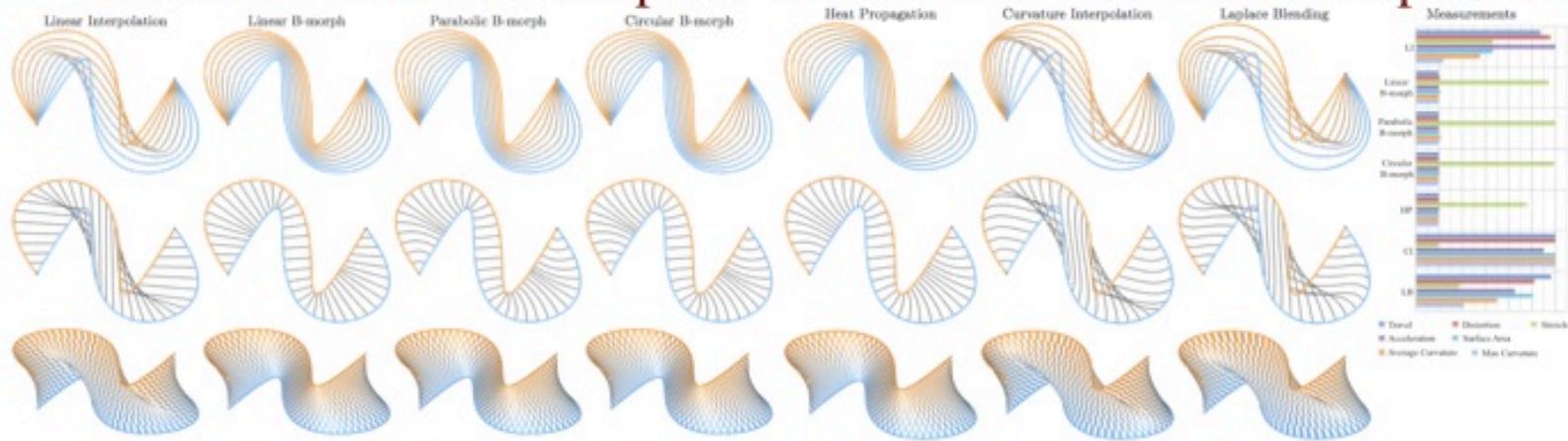
# Ball morph for 3D reconstruction

- Reconstruct surface from cross-sections
  - Ball morph with  $z=t$
- Surface = Wall of **helices**
  - Trajectory orthogonal to section
  - Smoother than other interpolants

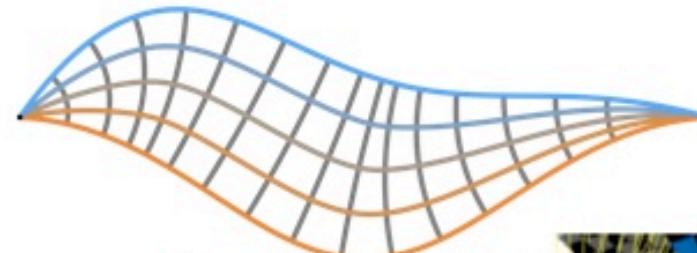
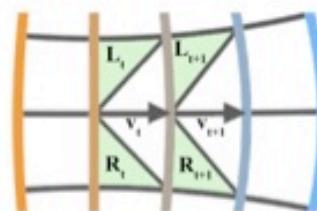


# Morph: Comparison

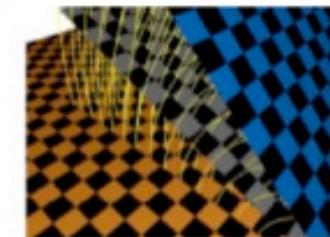
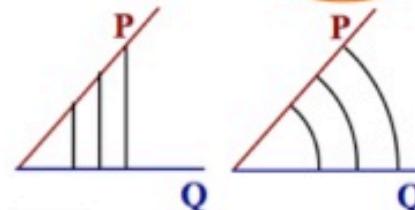
- Assume two closed loops or two strokes with same endpoints



Travel distance  
Stretch  
Acceleration

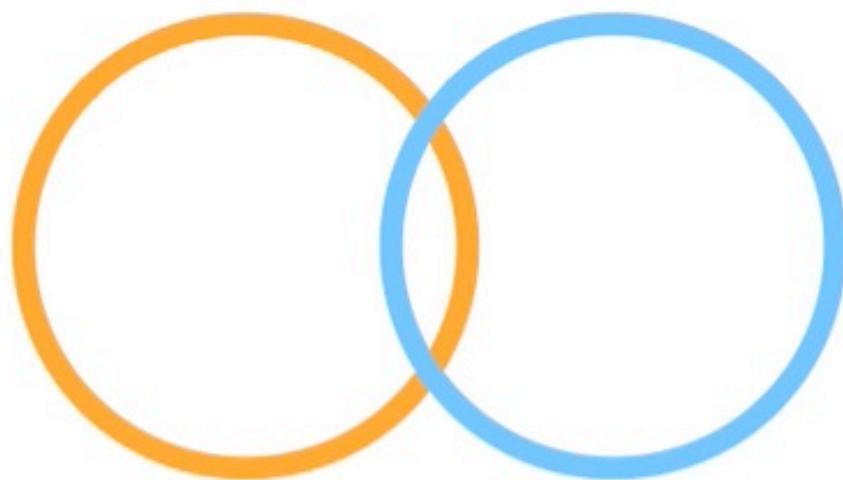


Surface area  
Max square mean curvature



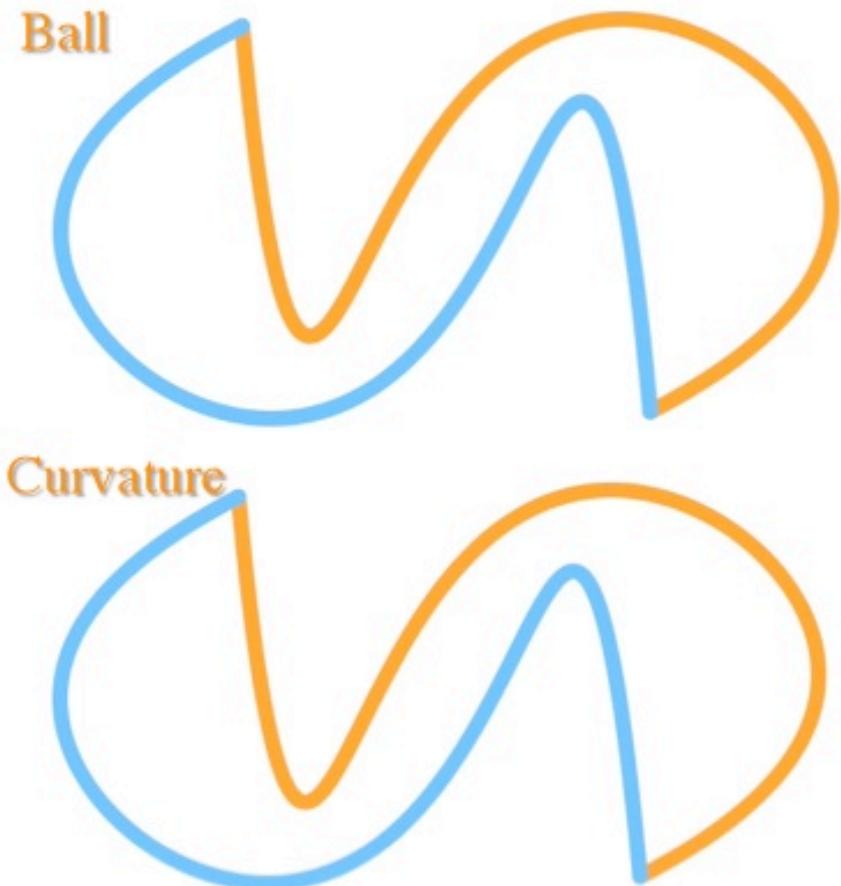
# Example of ball-morph

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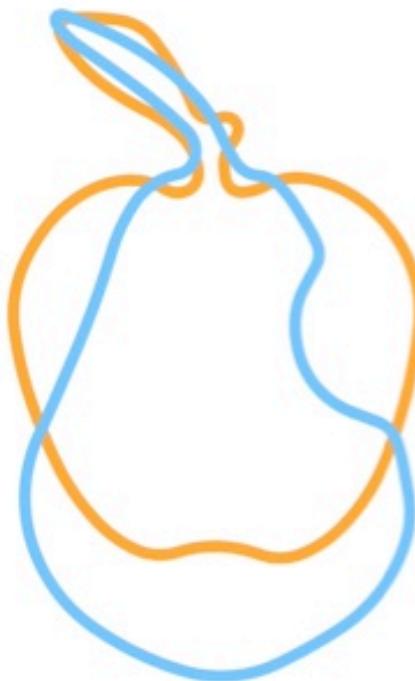
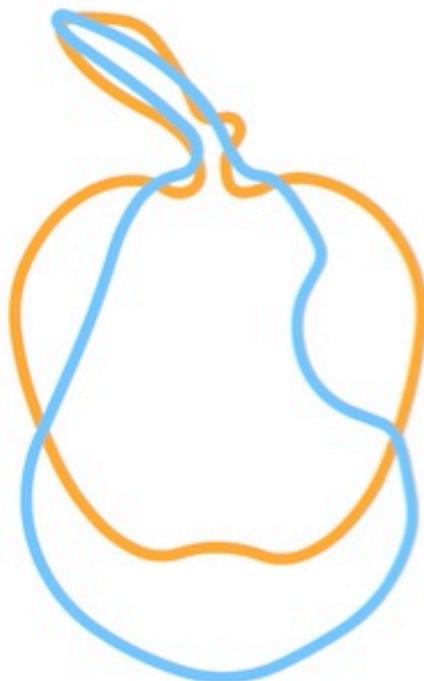
# Comparison with curvature interpolation

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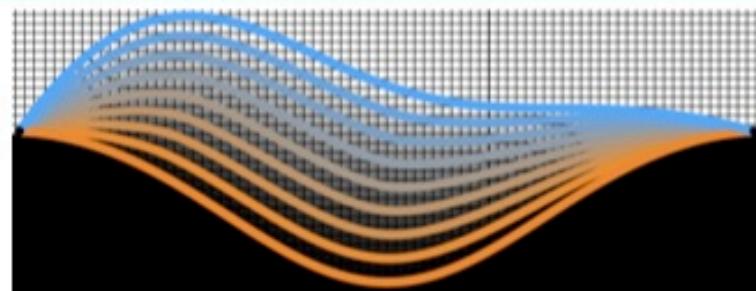
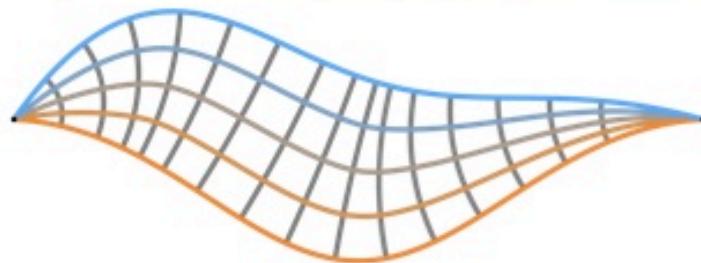


# Comparison heat propagation

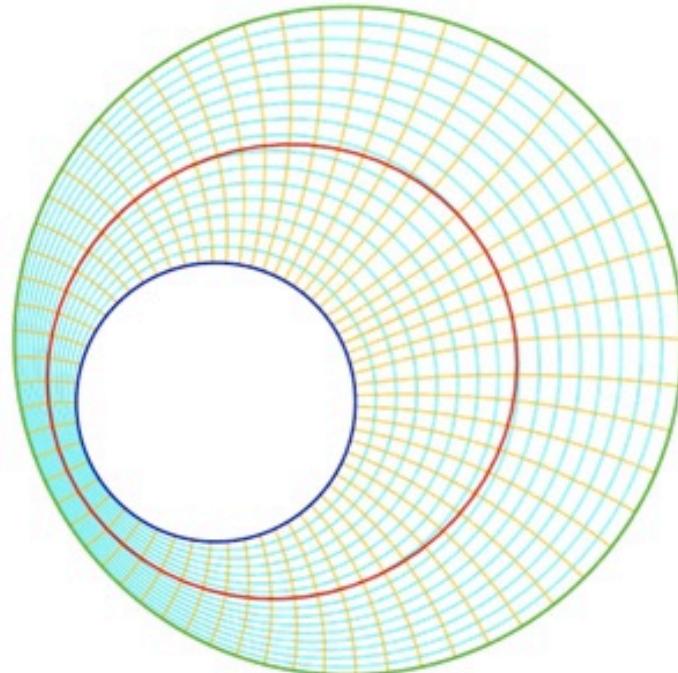
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# Ball morph approximates heat diffusion

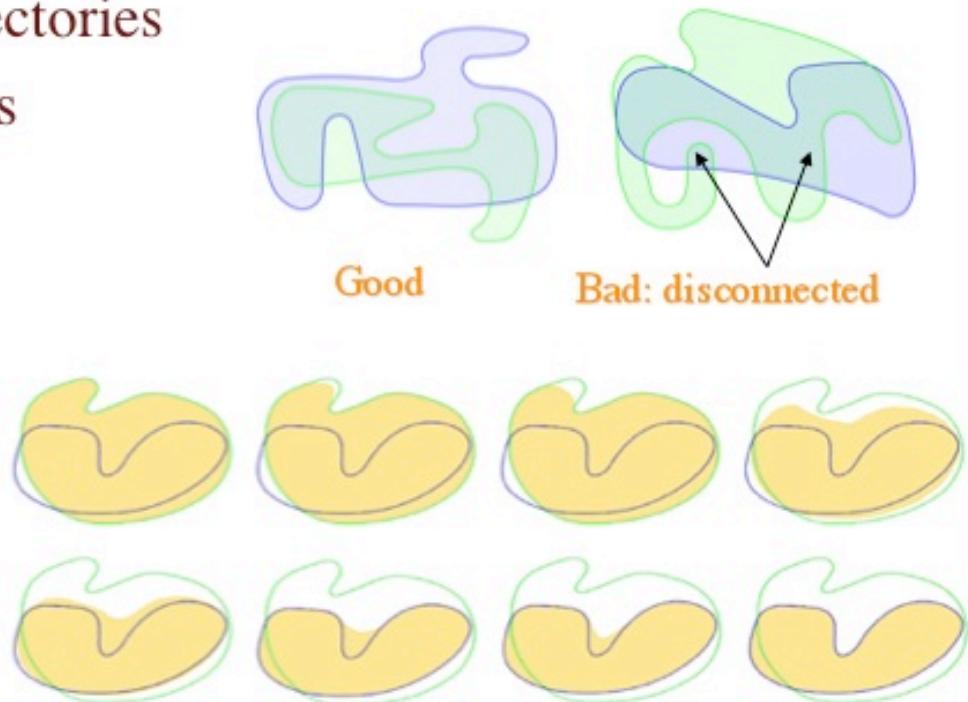
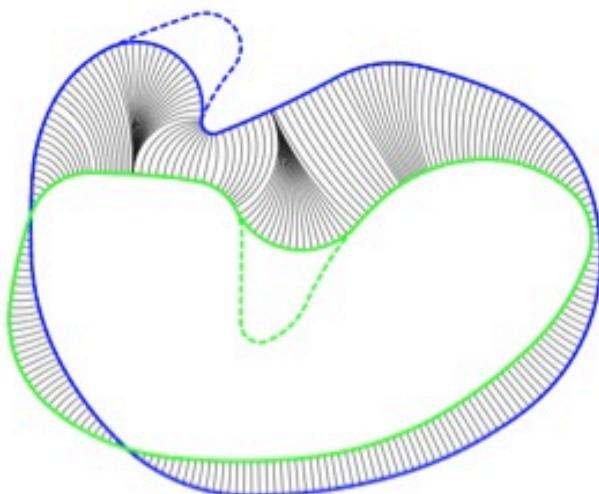


Very similar results, but  
ball-morph computation  
is much faster and  
independent of  
resolution (no grid)



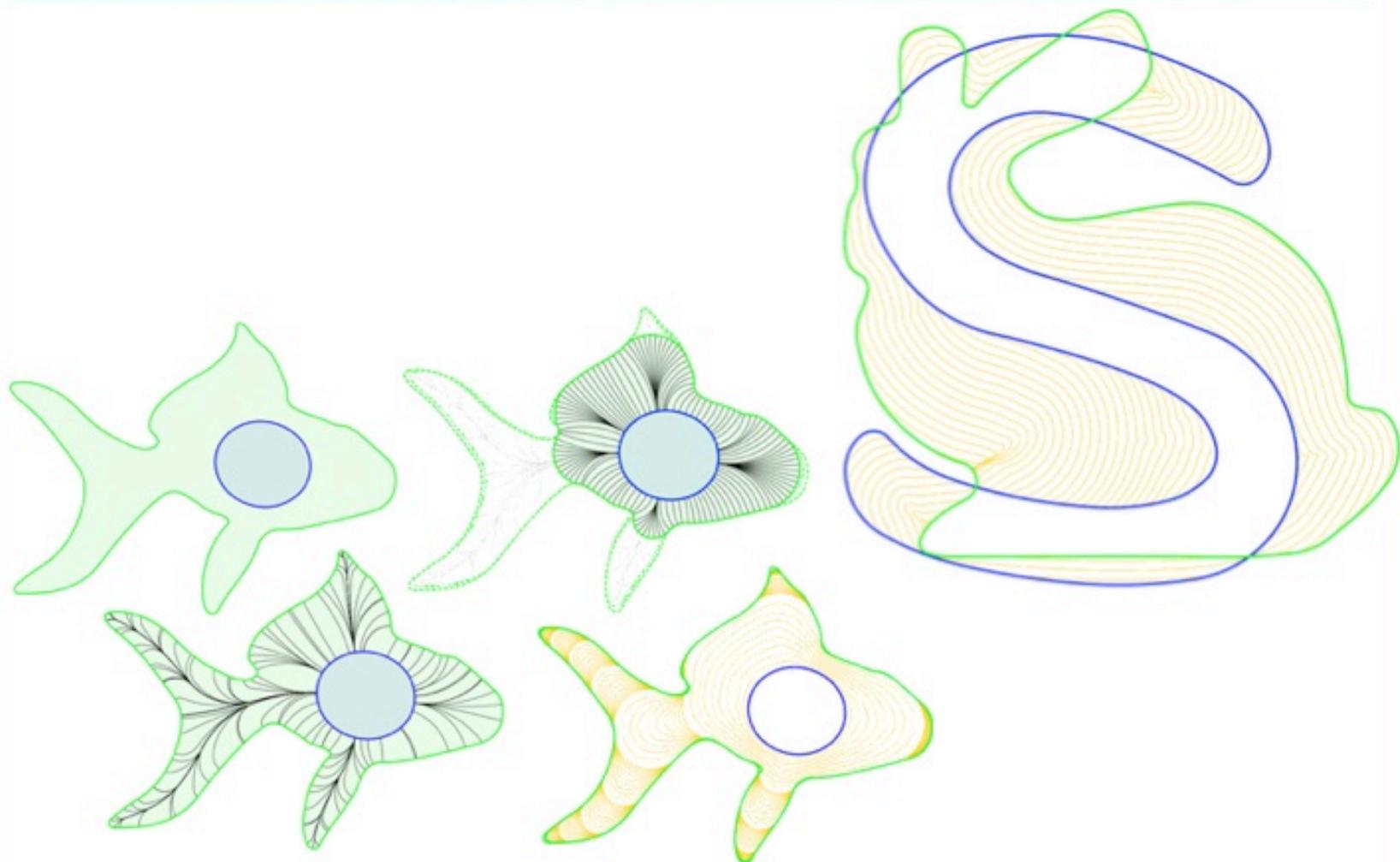
# Extension to incompatible shapes

- Use relative blending to make them compatible
- Morph the compatible parts
- Extend the morph to the incompatible regions.. Iteratively
- Generates smooth trajectories
- Topological restrictions

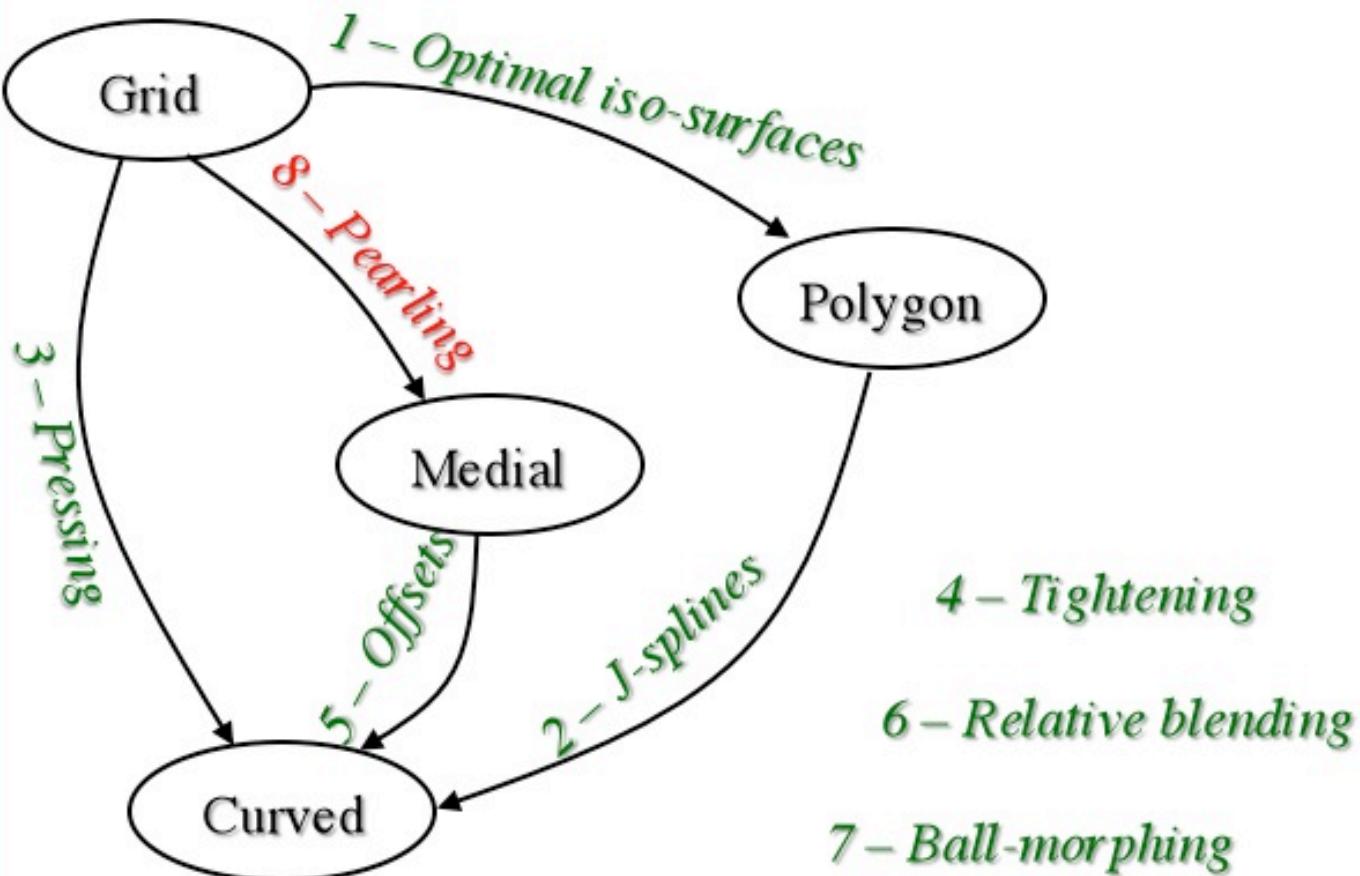


# Ball-morph to incompatible shapes

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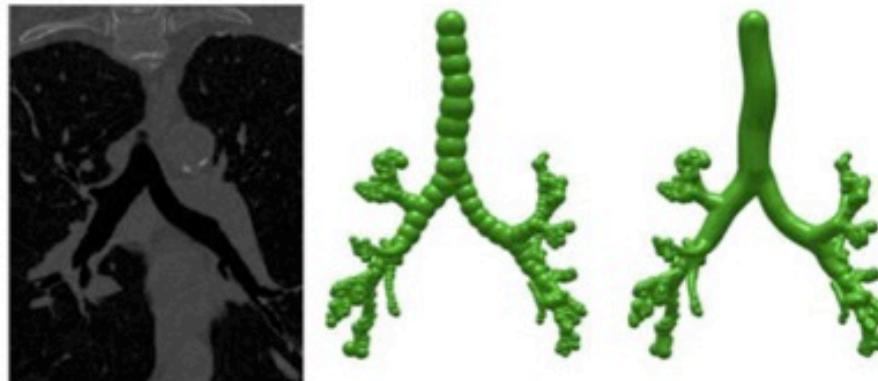
# PEARLING



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Goal: Extract tubular structures from 2D and from 3D (medical) images



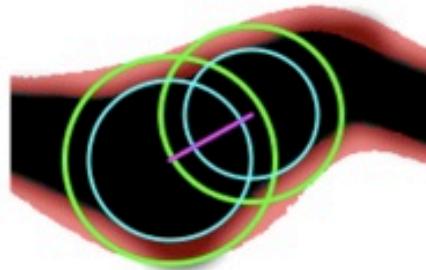
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**Pearling: Stroke segmentation with crusted pearl strings**, B. Whited, J. Rossignac, G. Slabaugh, T. Fang, G. Unal, The First International Workshop on Image Mining Theory and Applications (IMTA), 2008. Also: Journal of Pattern Recognition and Image Analysis, Pleiades Publishing 19(2)277-283, 2009

**3D Ball Skinning using PDEs for Generation of Smooth Tubular Surfaces**, G. Slabaugh, J. Rossignac, B. Whited, T. Fang, G. Unal, Journal of Computer Aided-Design (JCAD). 2009

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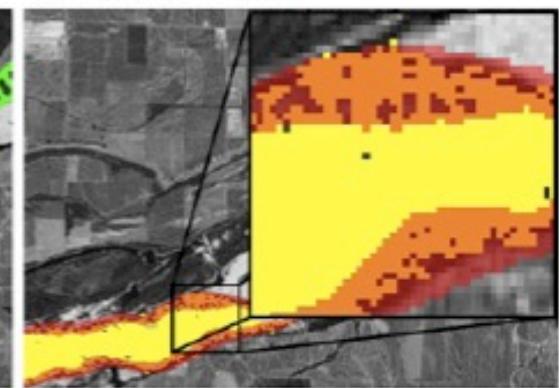
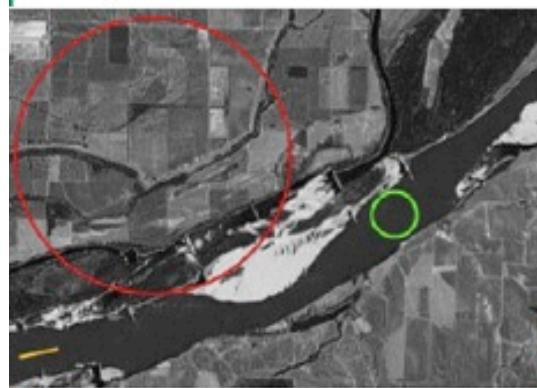
# Pearling 2D (with Siemens)



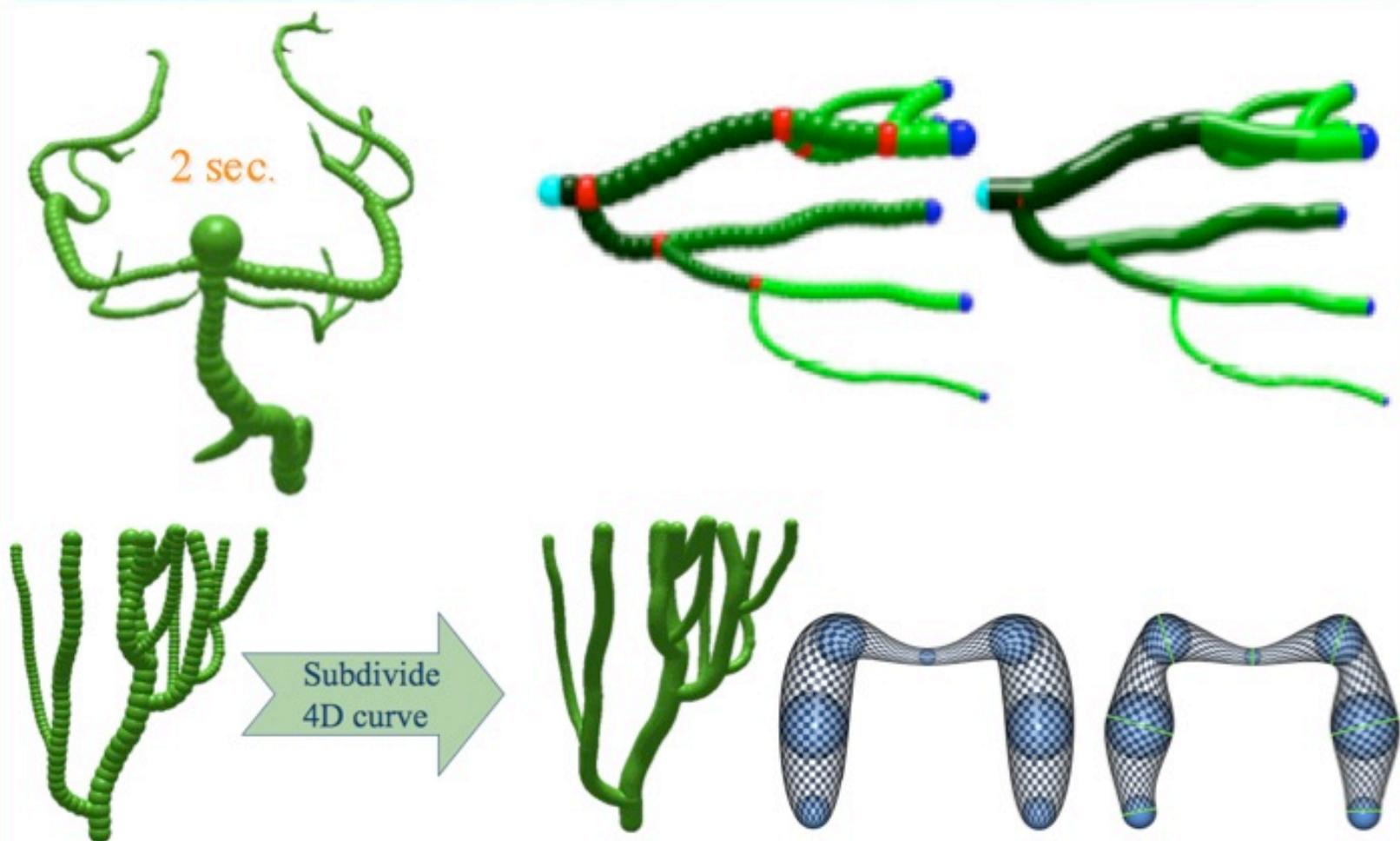
$$F(c_i, r_i) = \frac{9}{\pi r_i^3} \int_{x \in P_i} \Phi(x)(c_i - x)\left(1 - \frac{\|c_i - x\|^2}{r_i^2}\right) dx$$

$$G = \frac{\int_{x \in P_i} \Phi(x) dx}{\int_{x \in P_i} dx}$$

$$\Phi(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } p_b(I(x)) > p_g(I(x)) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

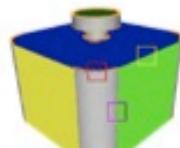
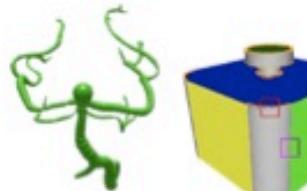


# Pearling 3D



# Questions

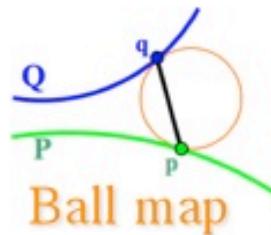
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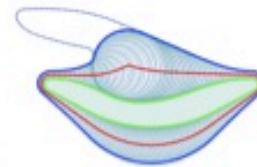
Pearling & Pressing



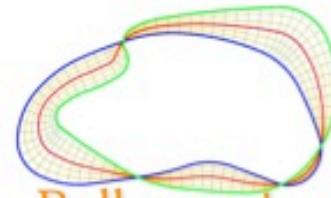
J-spline & ringing



Ball map



Relative blending



Ball morph