

Mesh basics

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v0



v1



v3

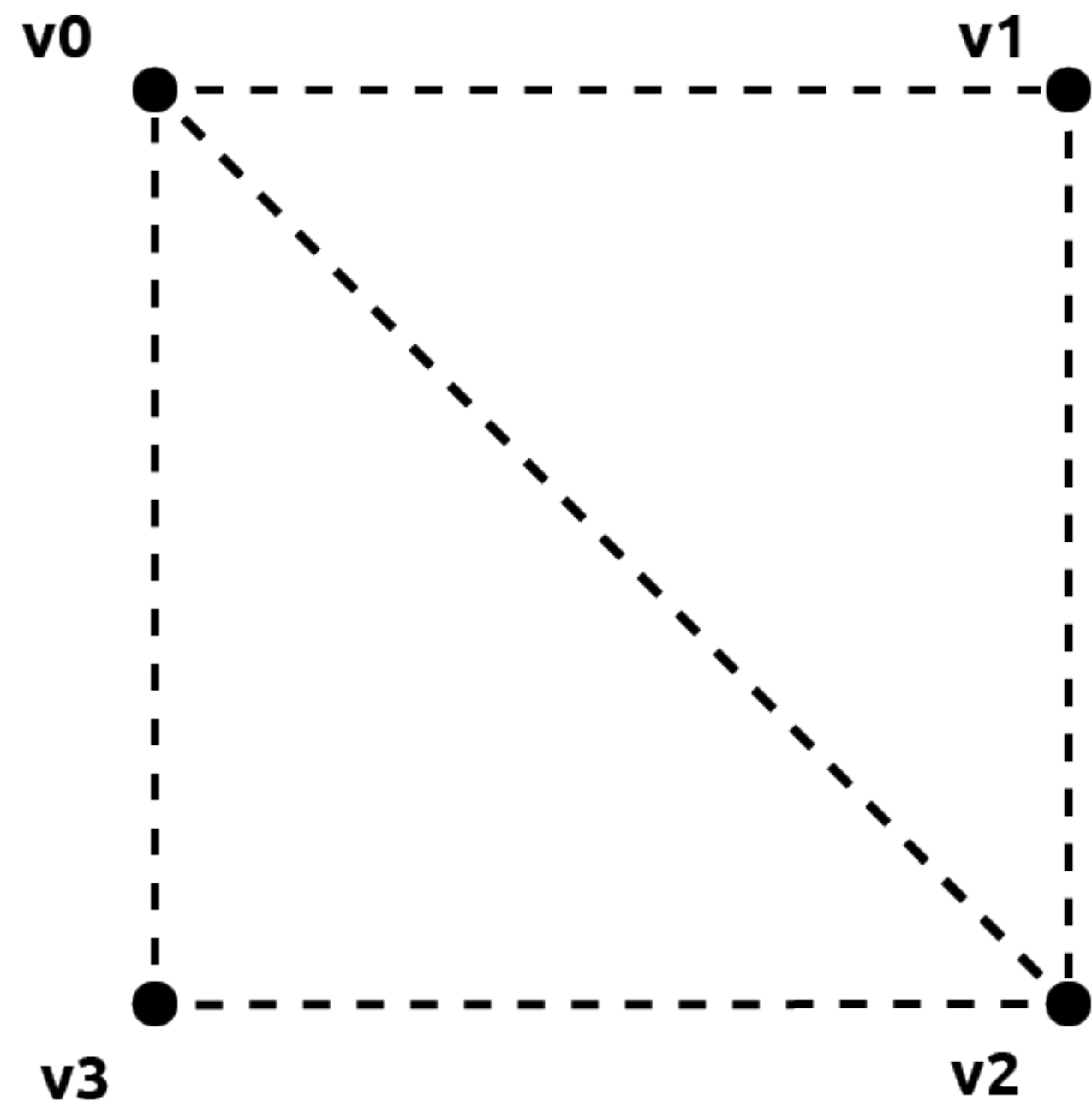


v2



Vertices

```
// the vertex array defines the points  
Vector3[] vertices = new Vector3[4];  
vertices[0] = new Vector3(0,1,0);  
vertices[1] = new Vector3(1,1,0);  
vertices[2] = new Vector3(1,0,0);  
vertices[3] = new Vector3(0,0,0);
```



Vertices + Triangles

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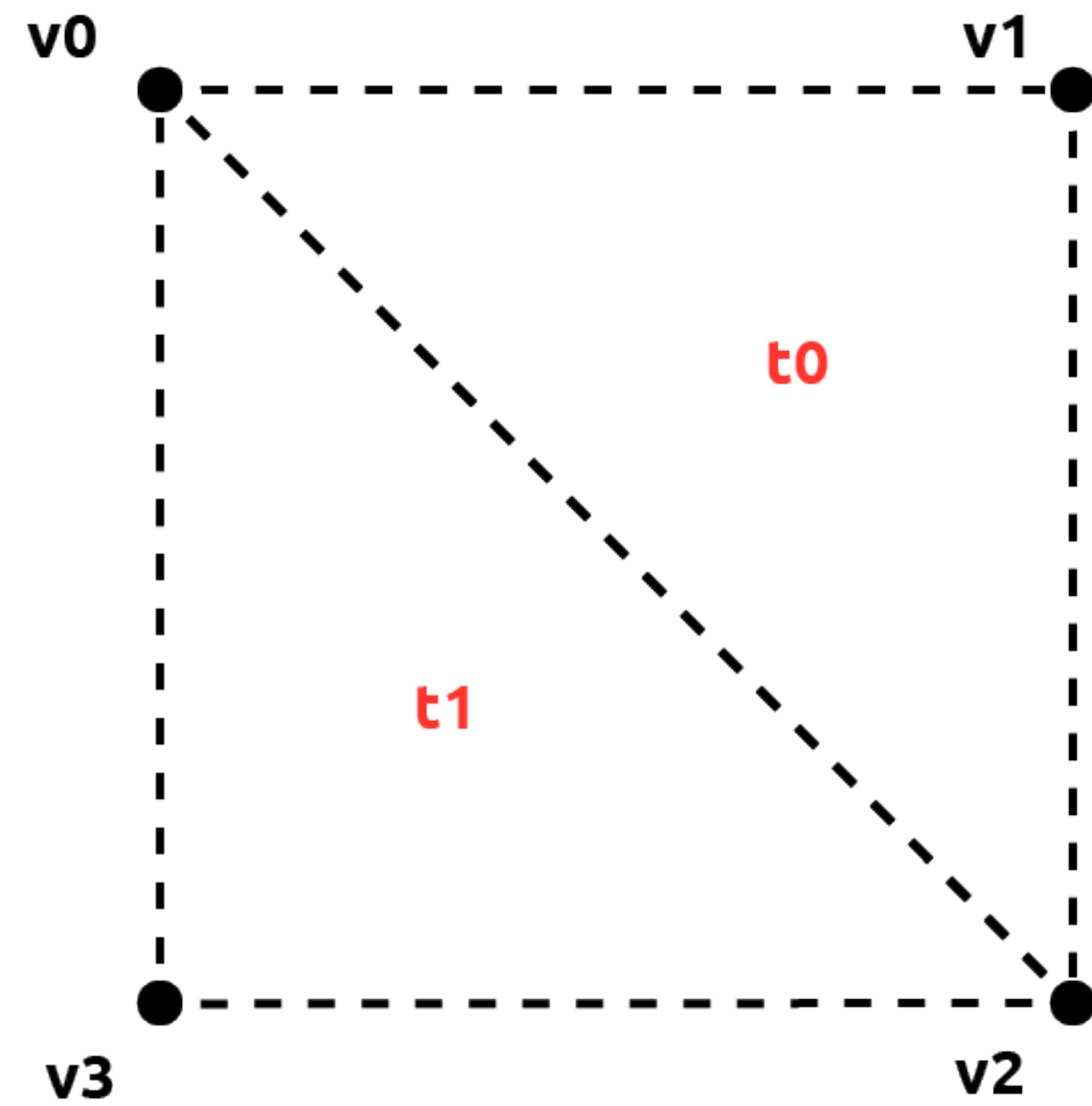
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vertices[1] = new Vector3(1,1,0);
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vertices[2] = new Vector3(1,0,0);
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int[] triangles = new int[]{ 0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 0 };
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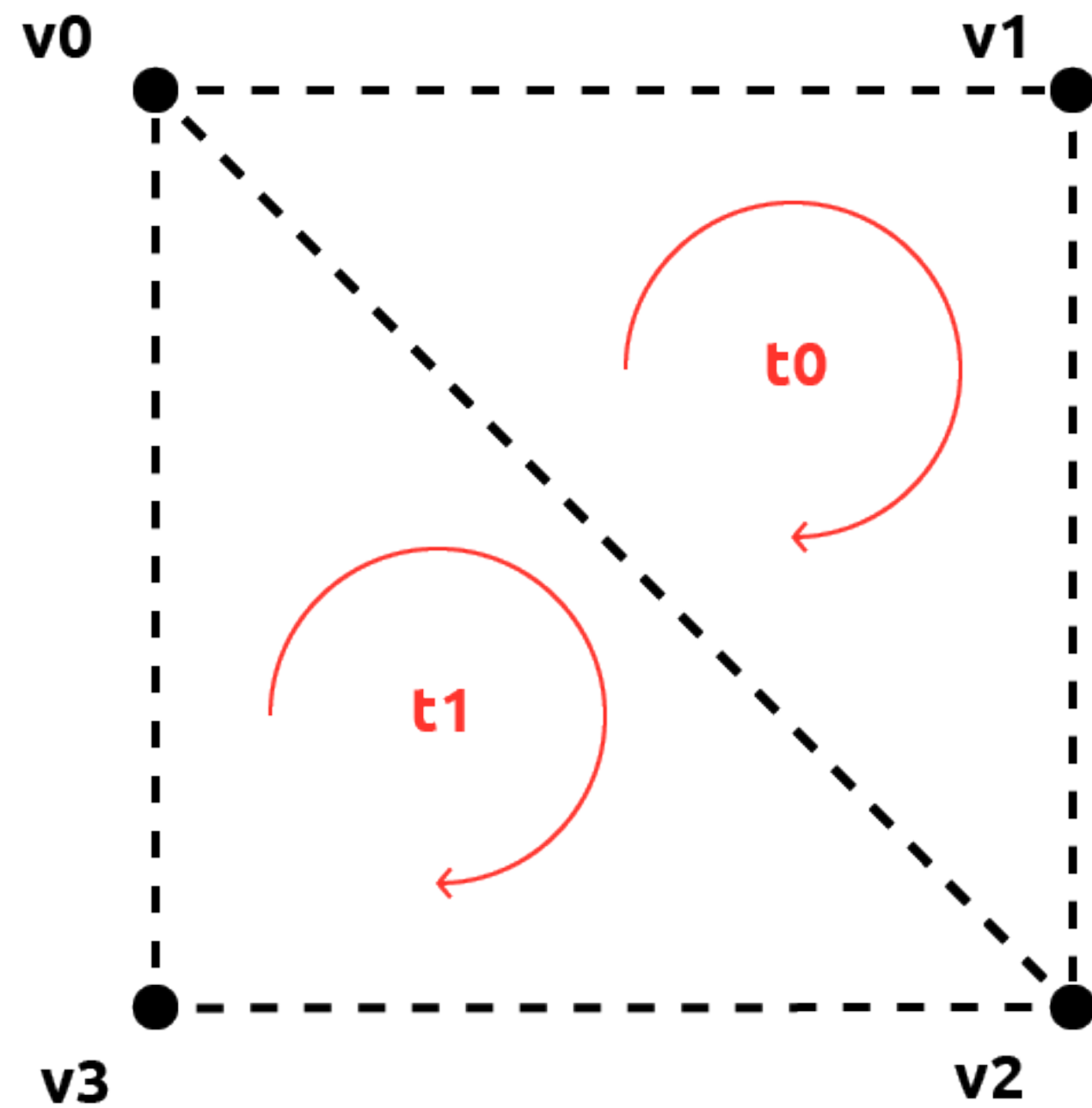
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vertices[2] = new Vector3(1,0,0);
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vertices[3] = new Vector3(0,0,0);
```

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Below the array, red curly braces group the indices: the first three indices (0, 1, 2) are grouped under the label t0, and the last three indices (2, 3, 0) are grouped under the label t1.



Vertices + Triangles

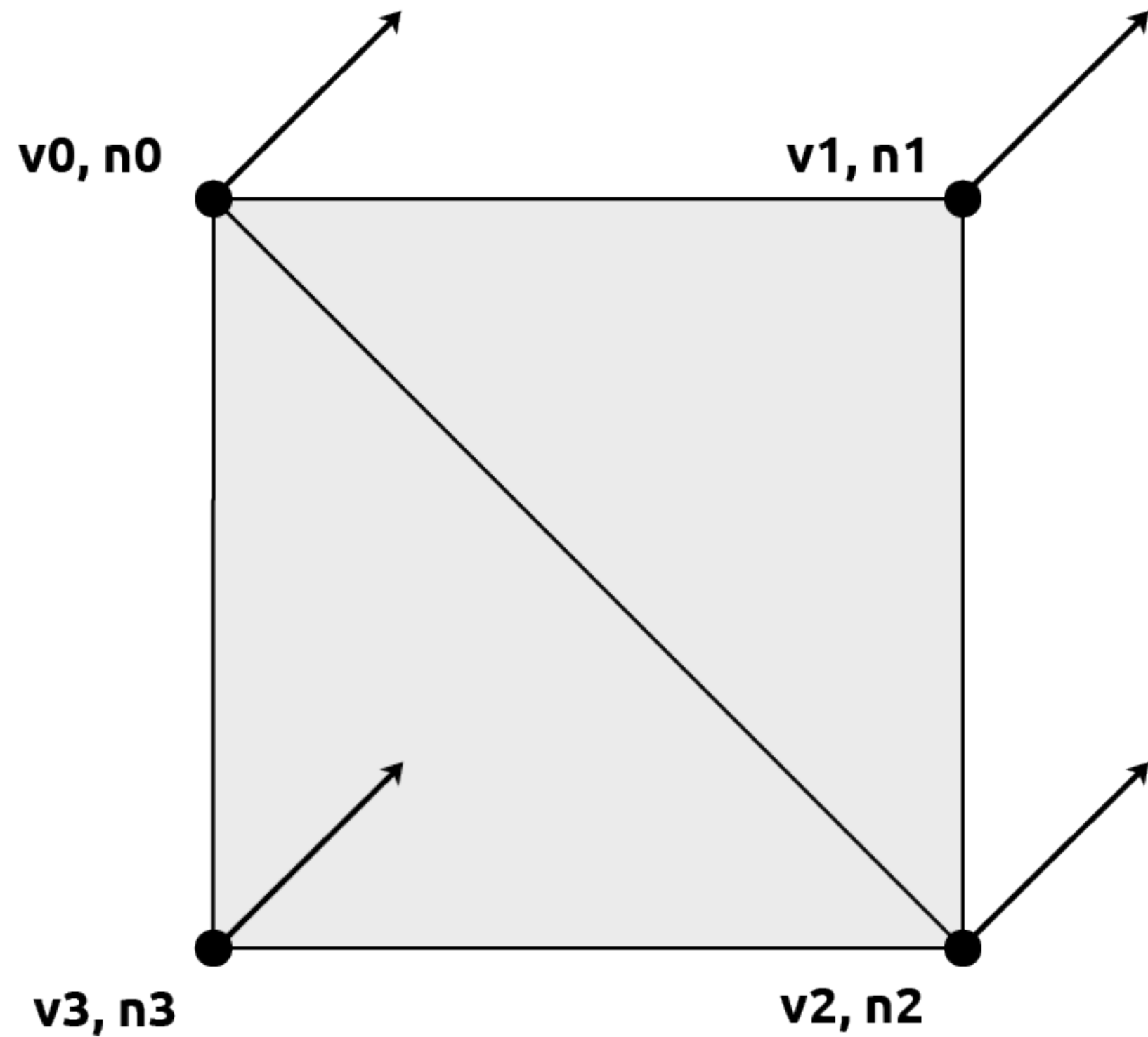
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// the triangle array defines the draw order of the vertex indexes

```
int[] triangles = new int[] { 0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 0 };  
                             t0   t1
```

In Unity, draw the corners of each triangles in CLOCKWISE order to make them face you. (the backside is not drawn unless you specify it in the shader)



Vertices + Triangles + Normals

// the vertex array defines the points

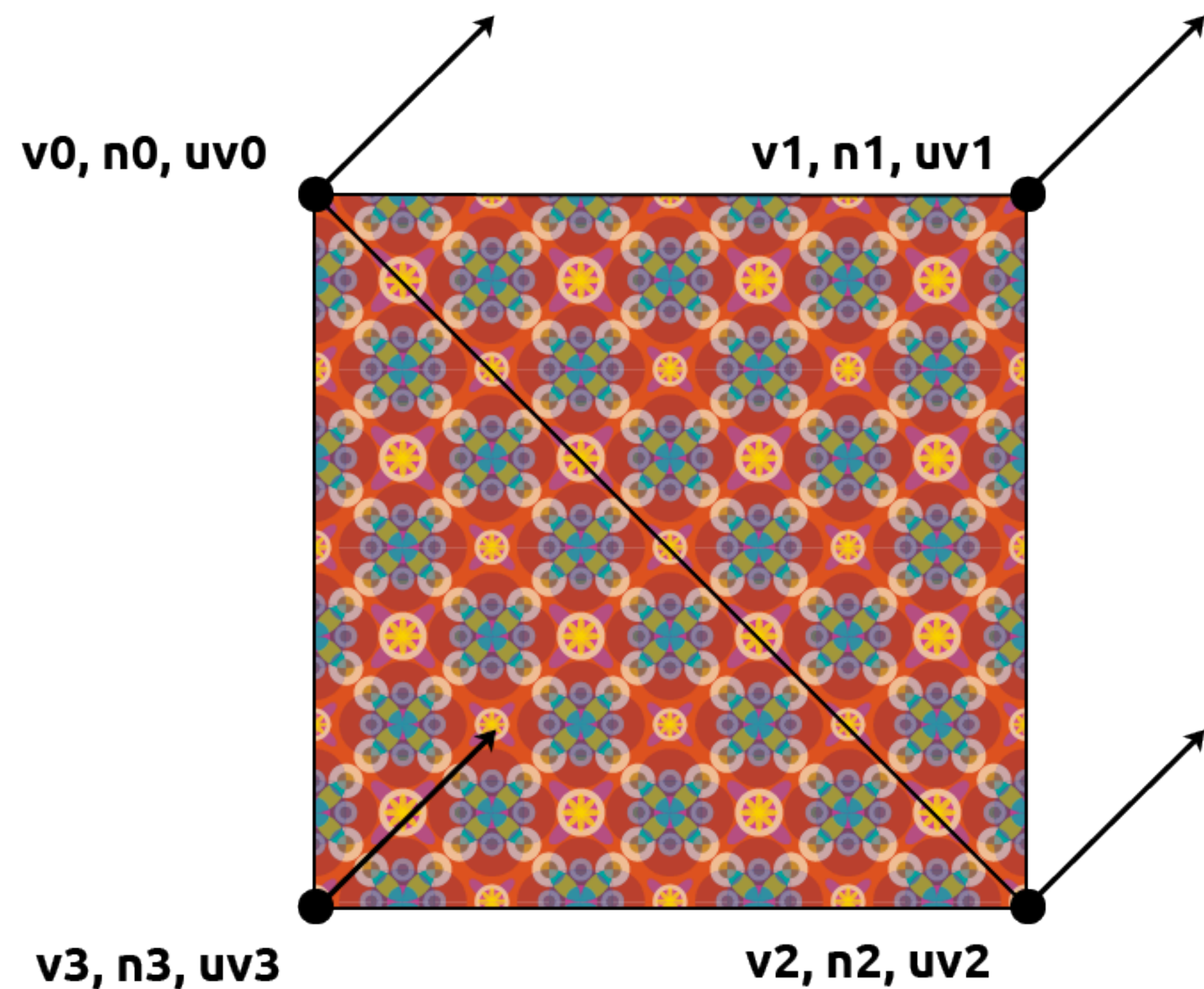
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// the normal array defines the forward direction of each point

```
Vector3[] normals = new Vector3[4];  
normals[0] = -Vector3.forward;  
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Vertices + Triangles + Normals + UVs

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// the uv array defines the texture coordinate for each point
Vector2[] uvs = new Vector2[4];
uvs[0] = new Vector2(0,1);
uvs[1] = new Vector2(1,1);
uvs[2] = new Vector2(1,0);
uvs[3] = new Vector2(0,0);
```