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METHODOLOGY FOR ASSESSING MESH- BASED CONTACT POINT METHODS

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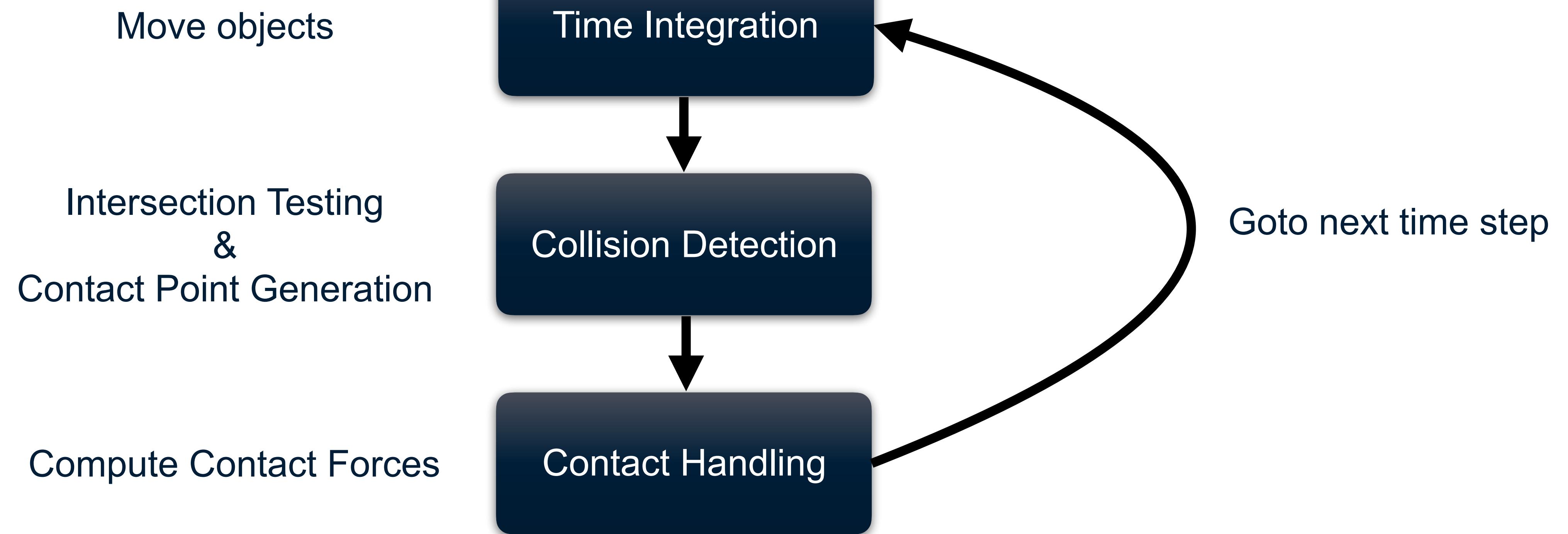




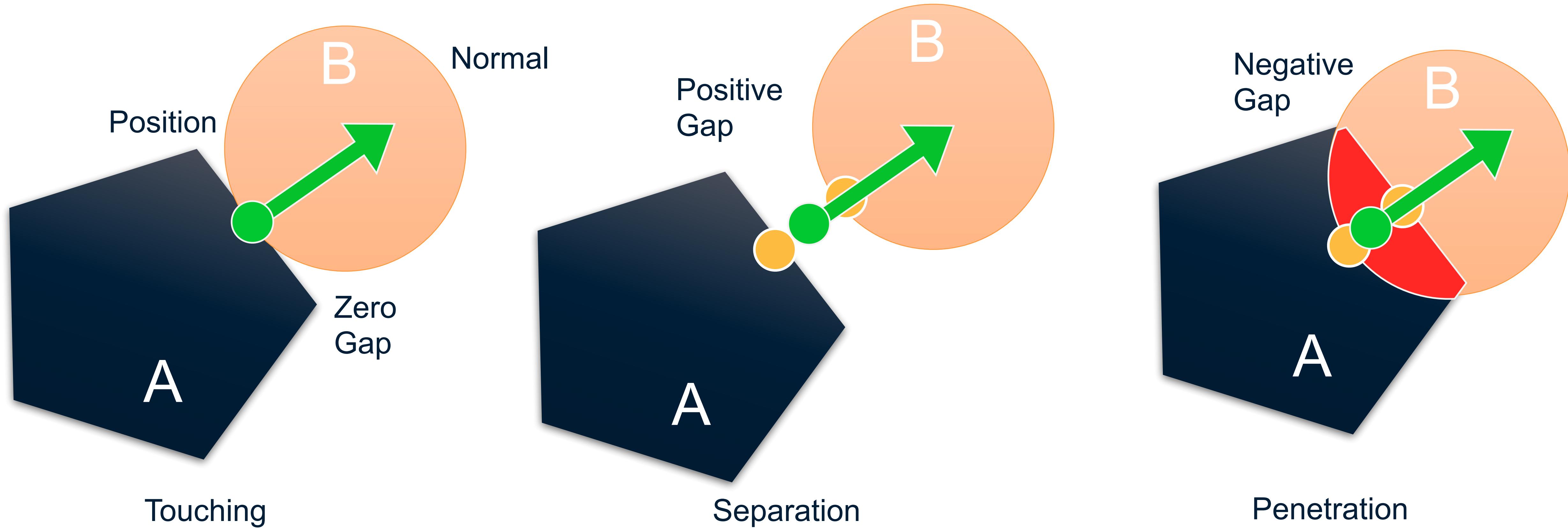
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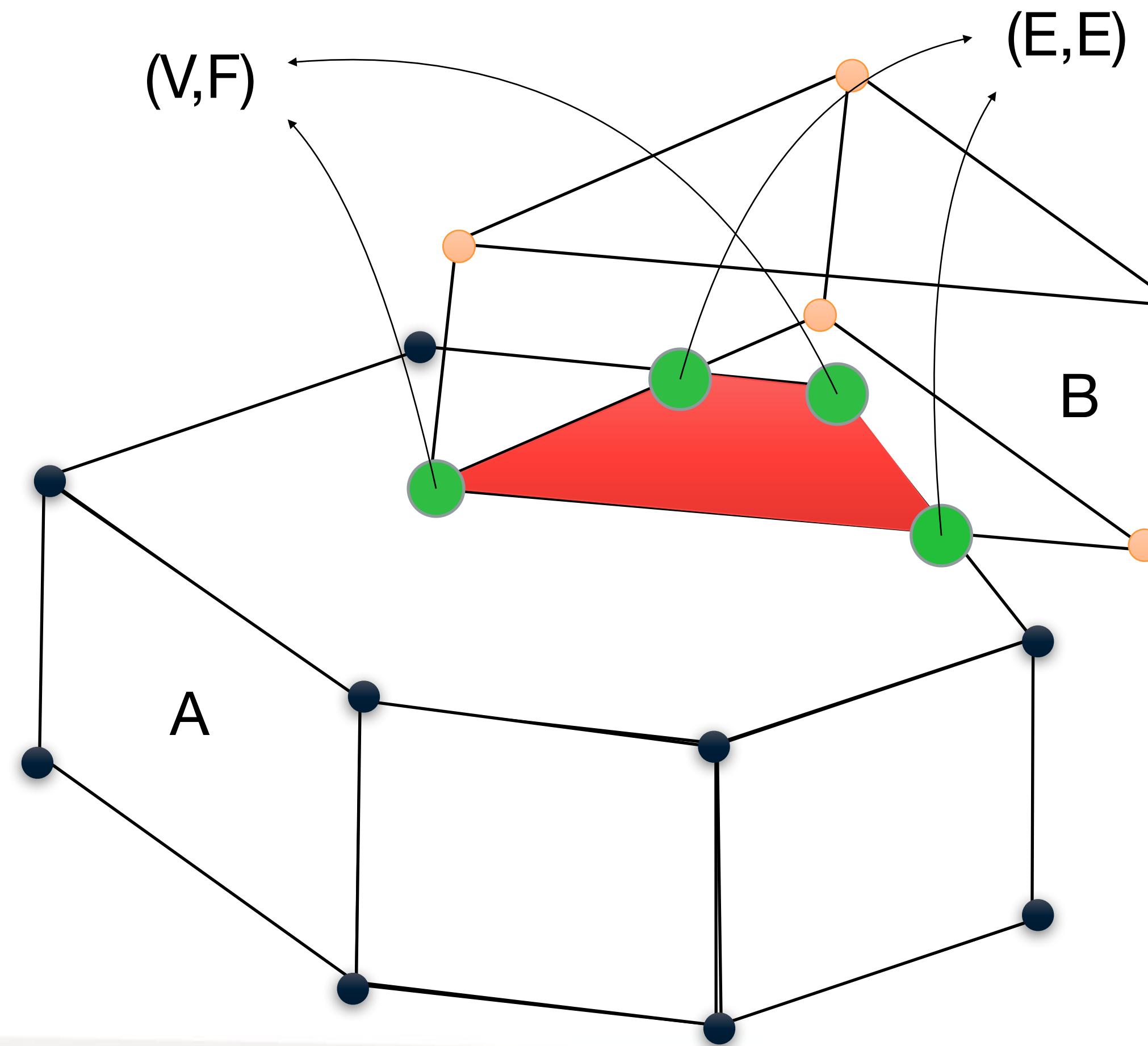
A TYPICAL SIMULATION LOOP



WHAT IS A CONTACT POINT?



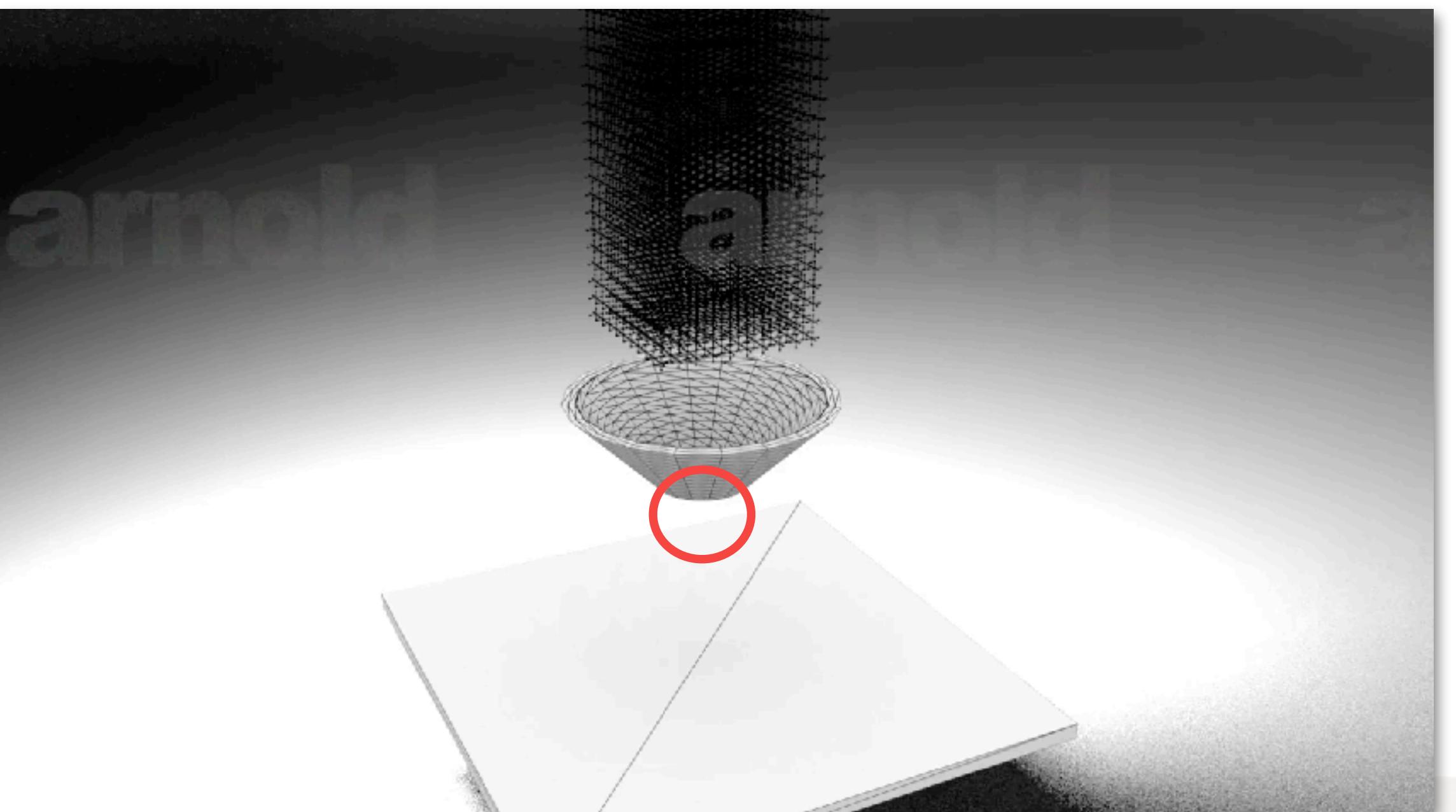
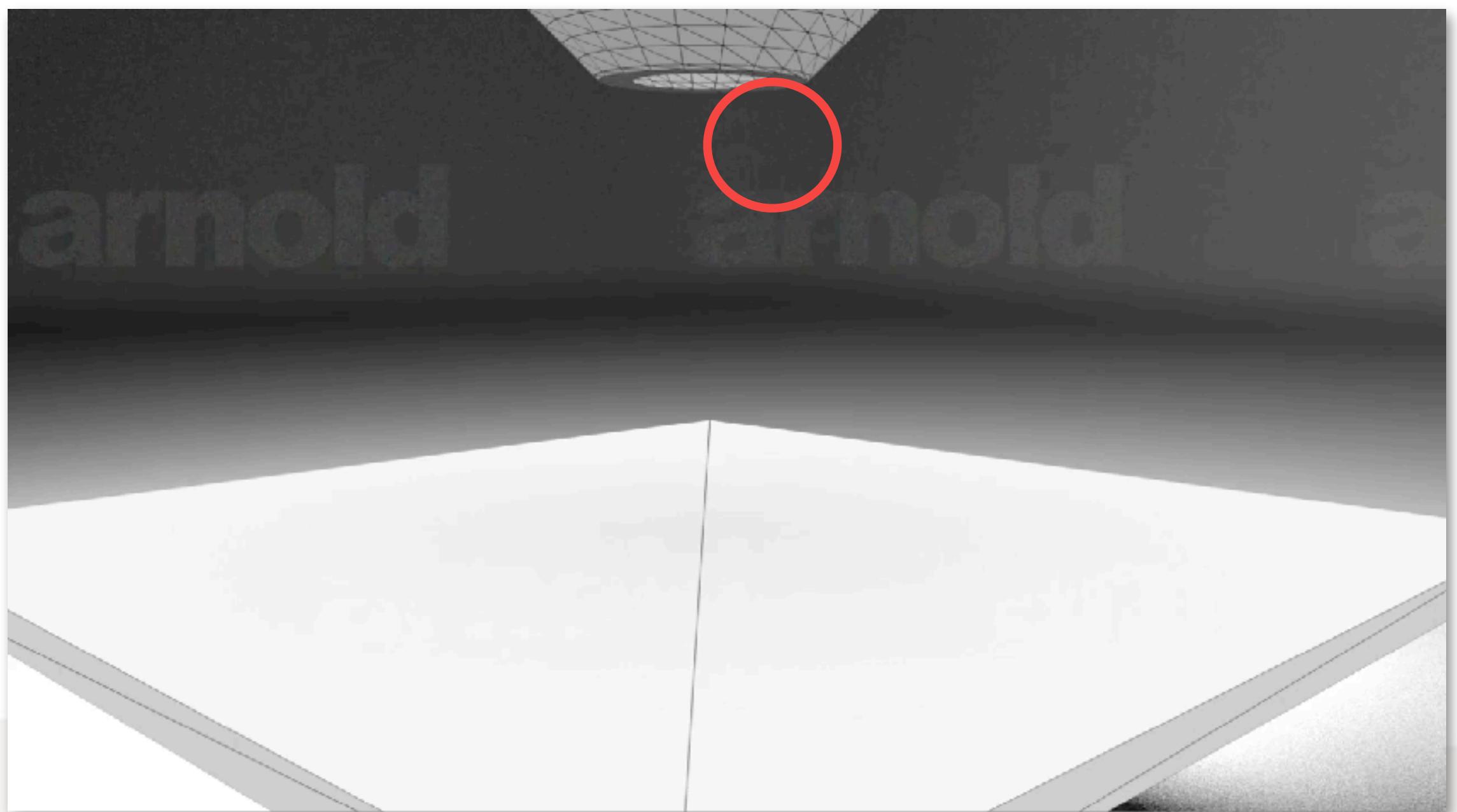
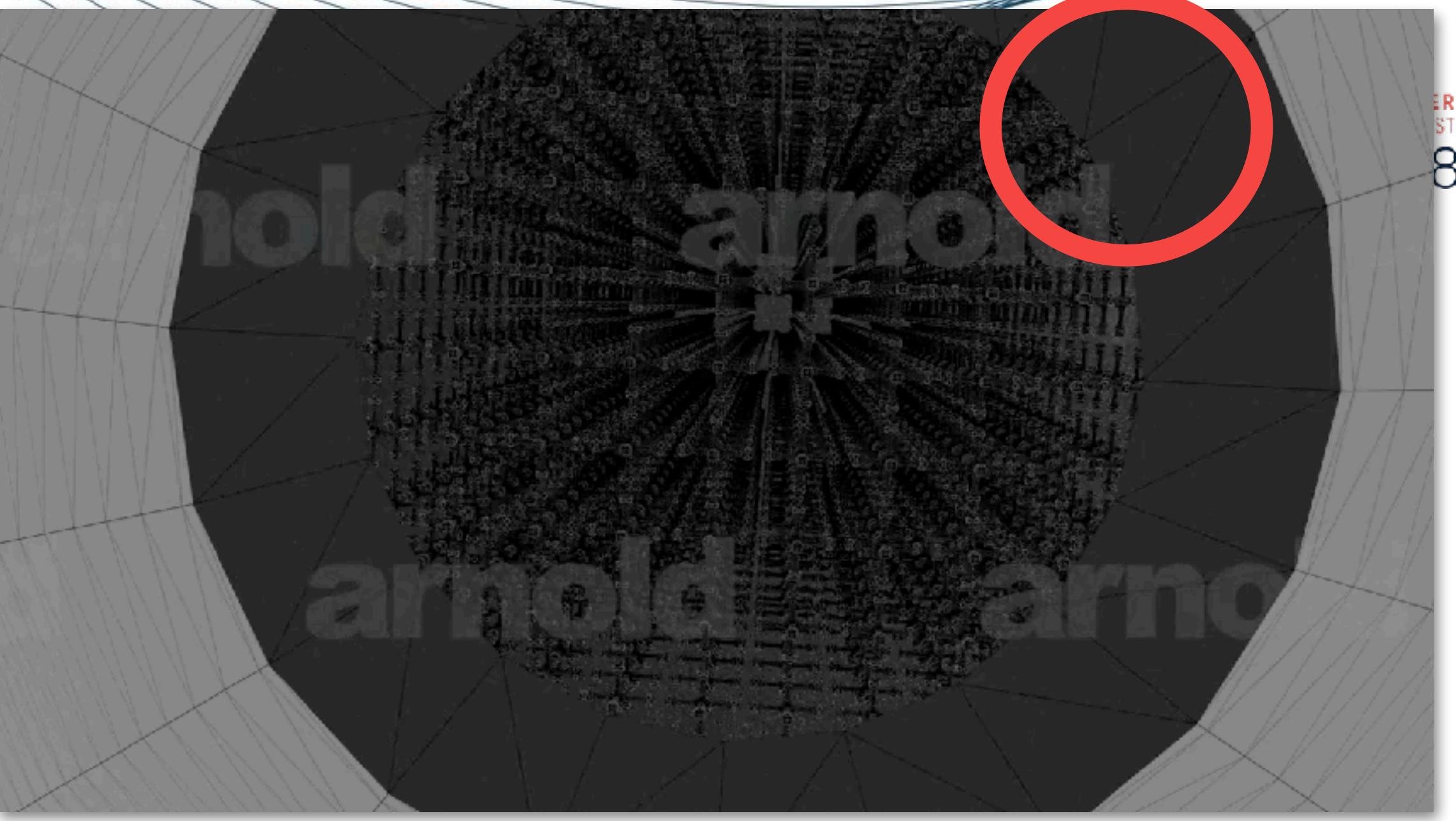
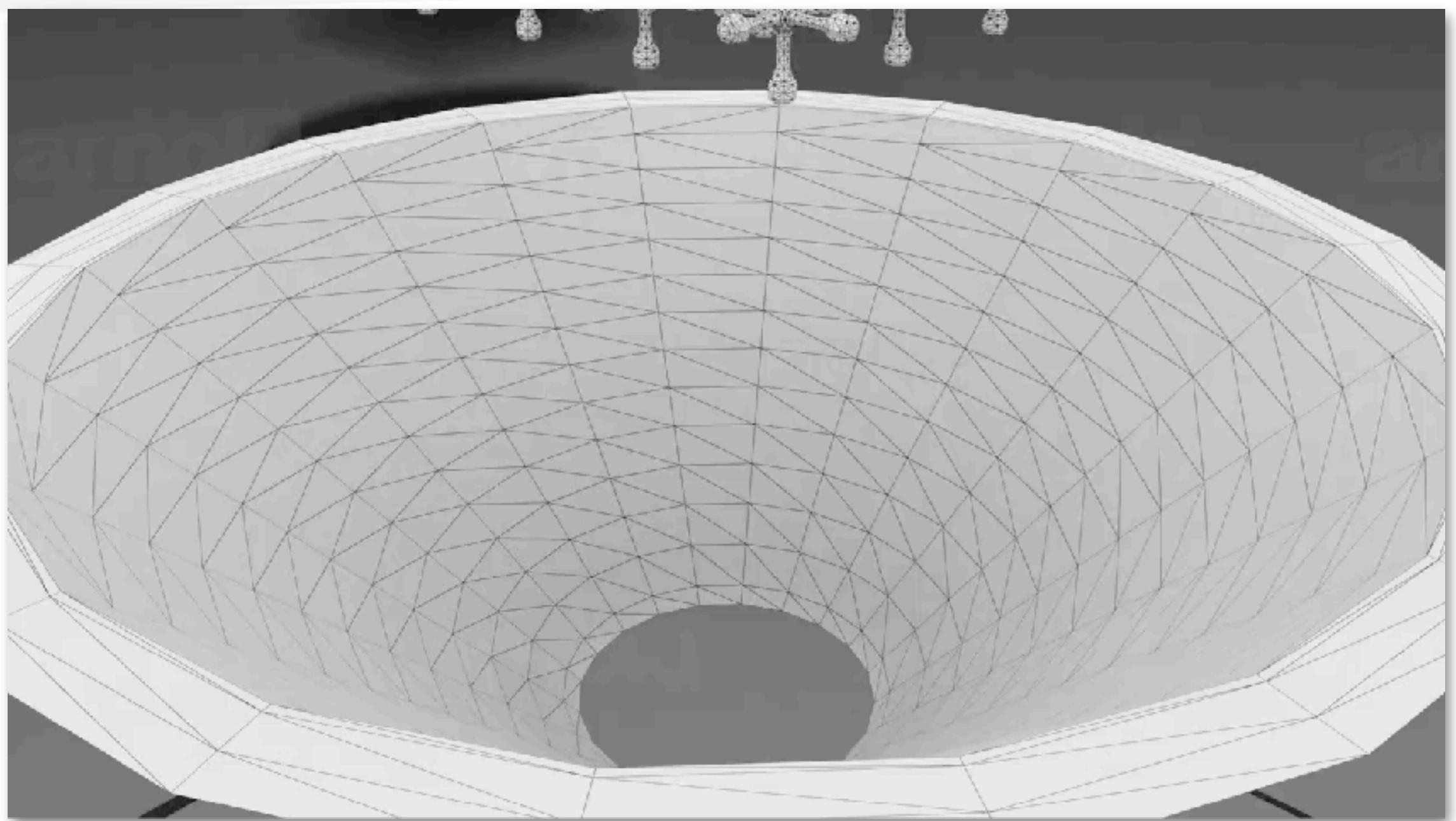
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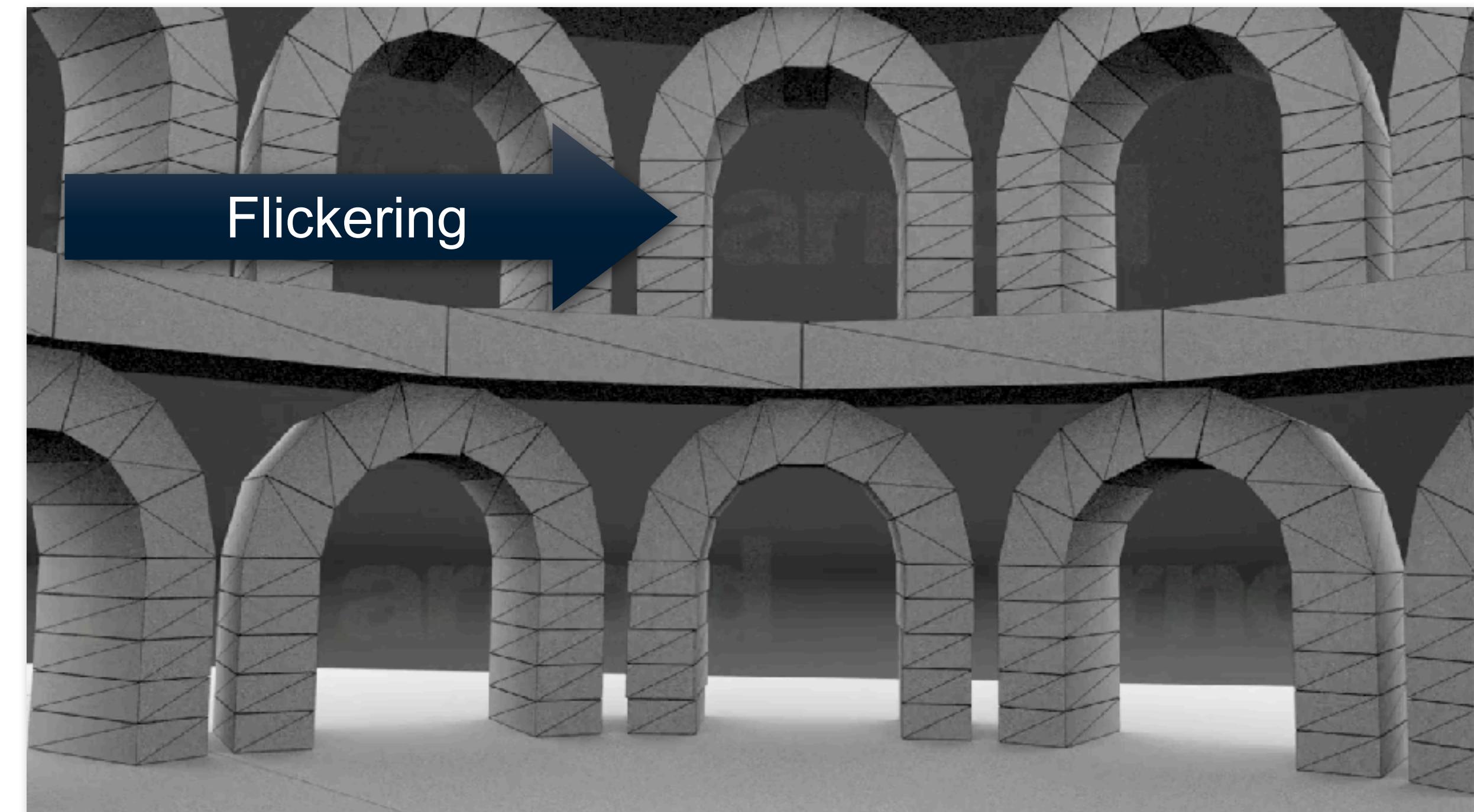
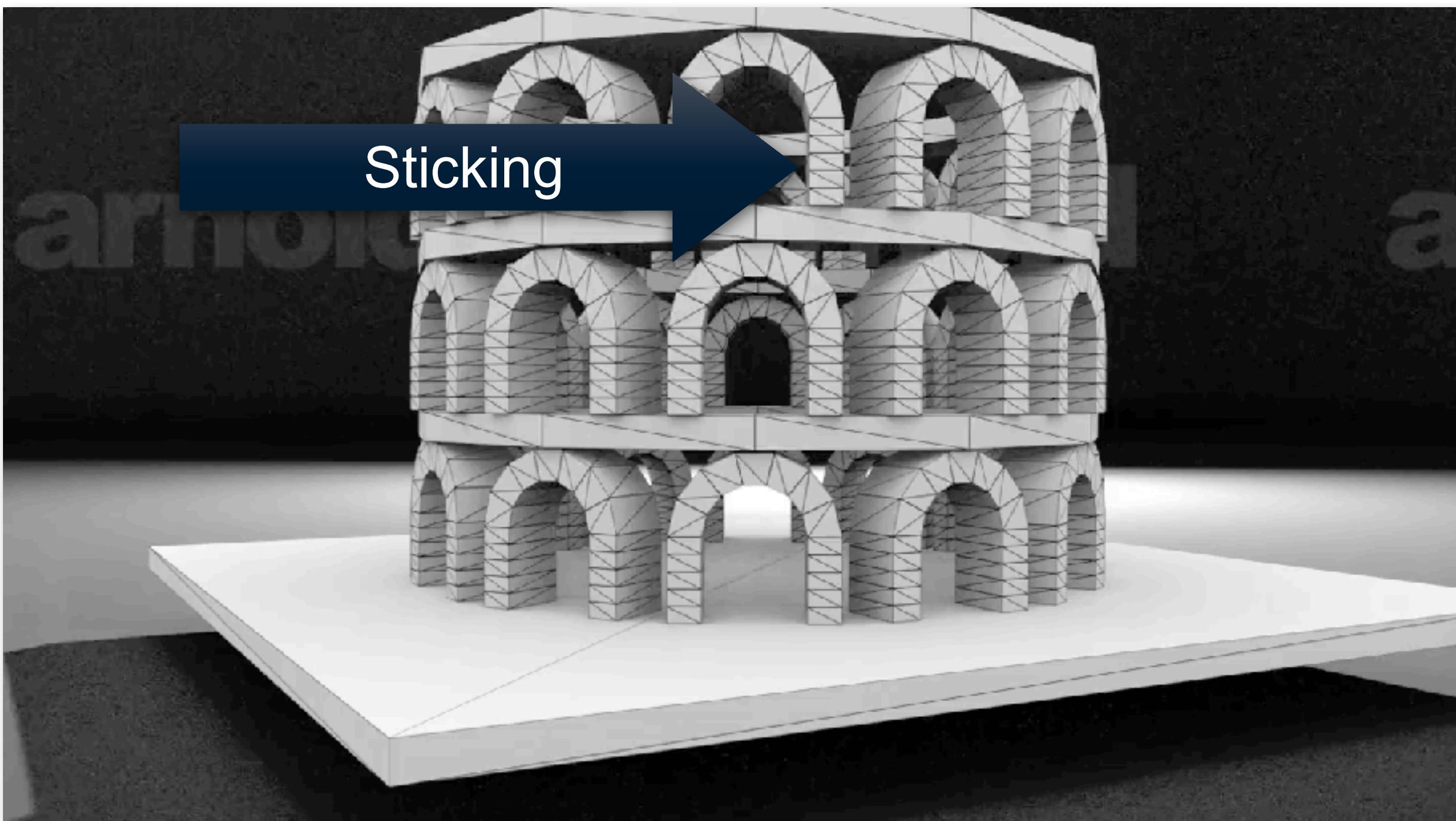


Contact points

are

classified by mesh feature pairs

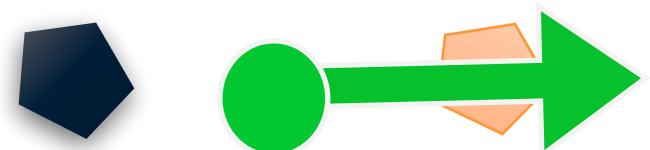




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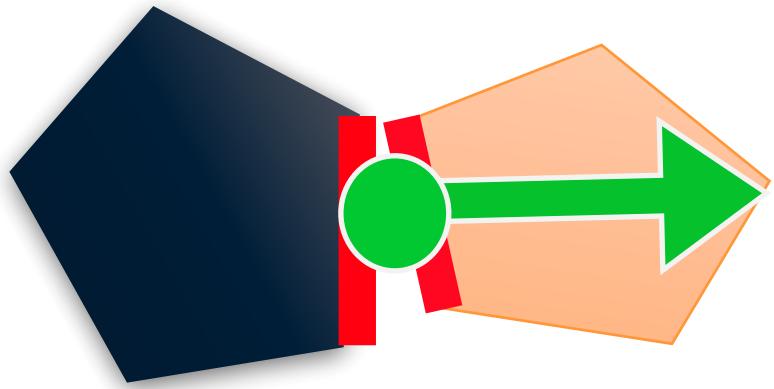
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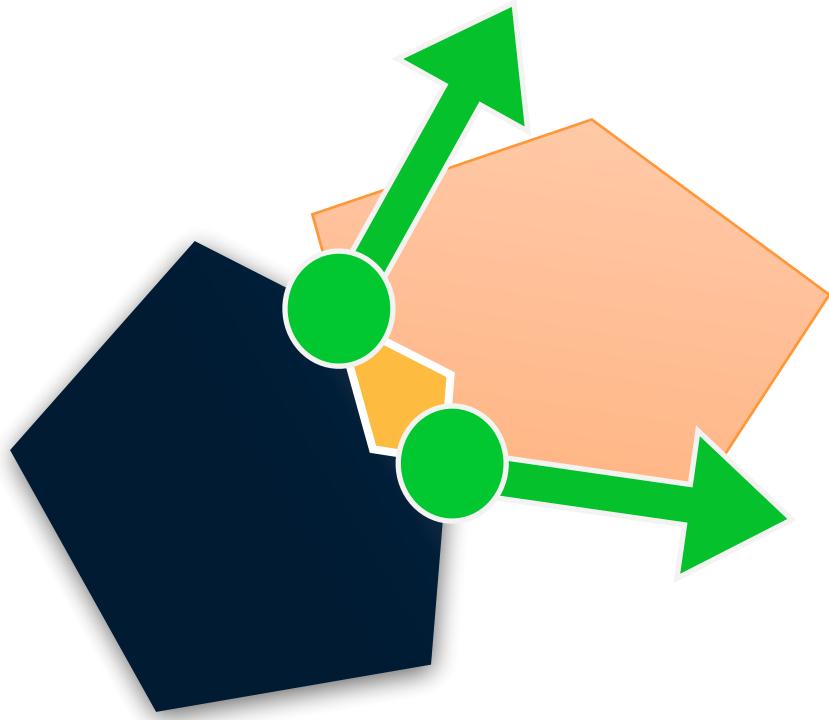
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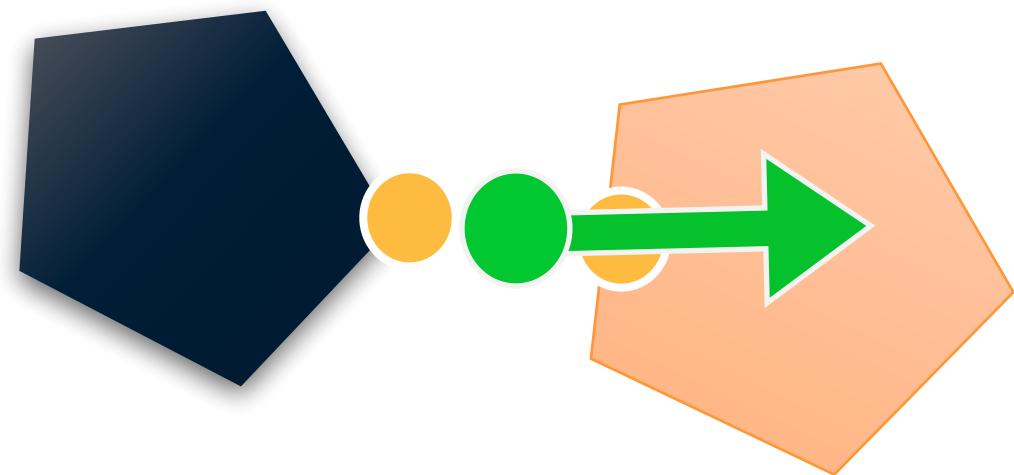
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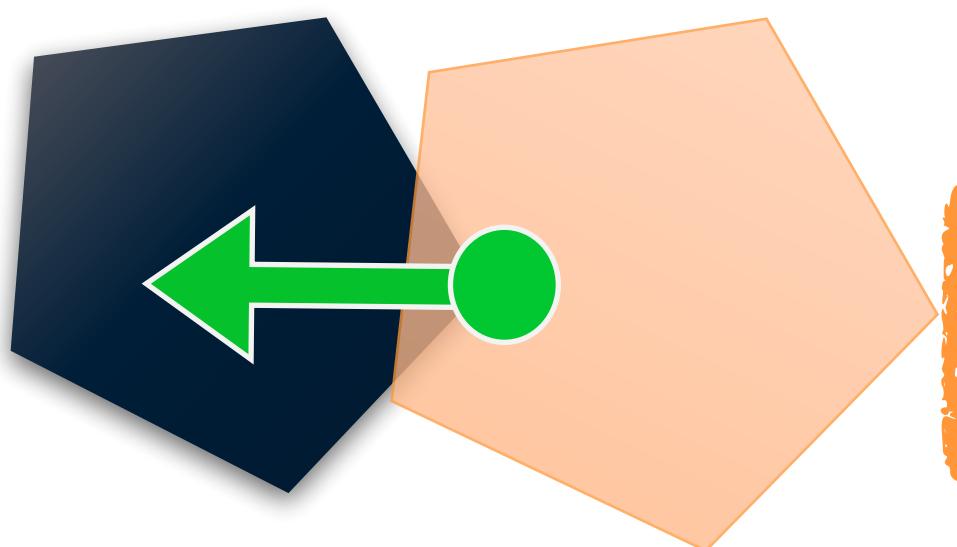
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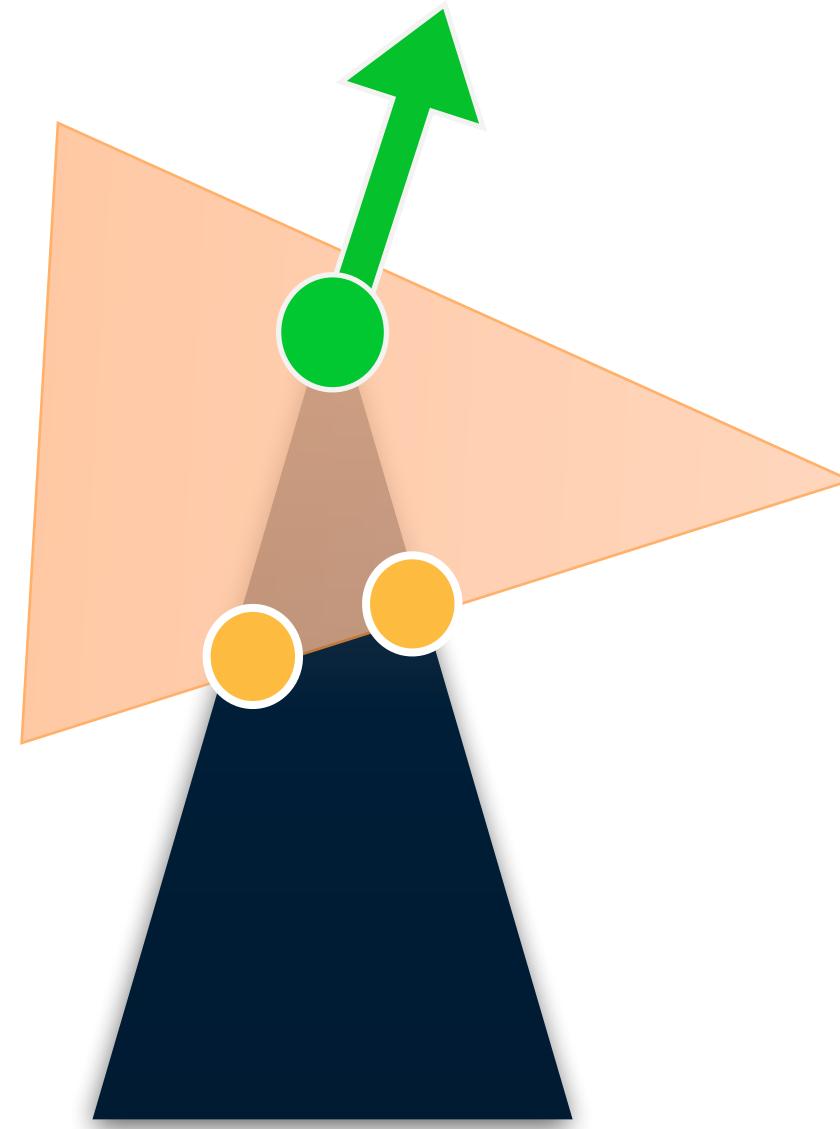
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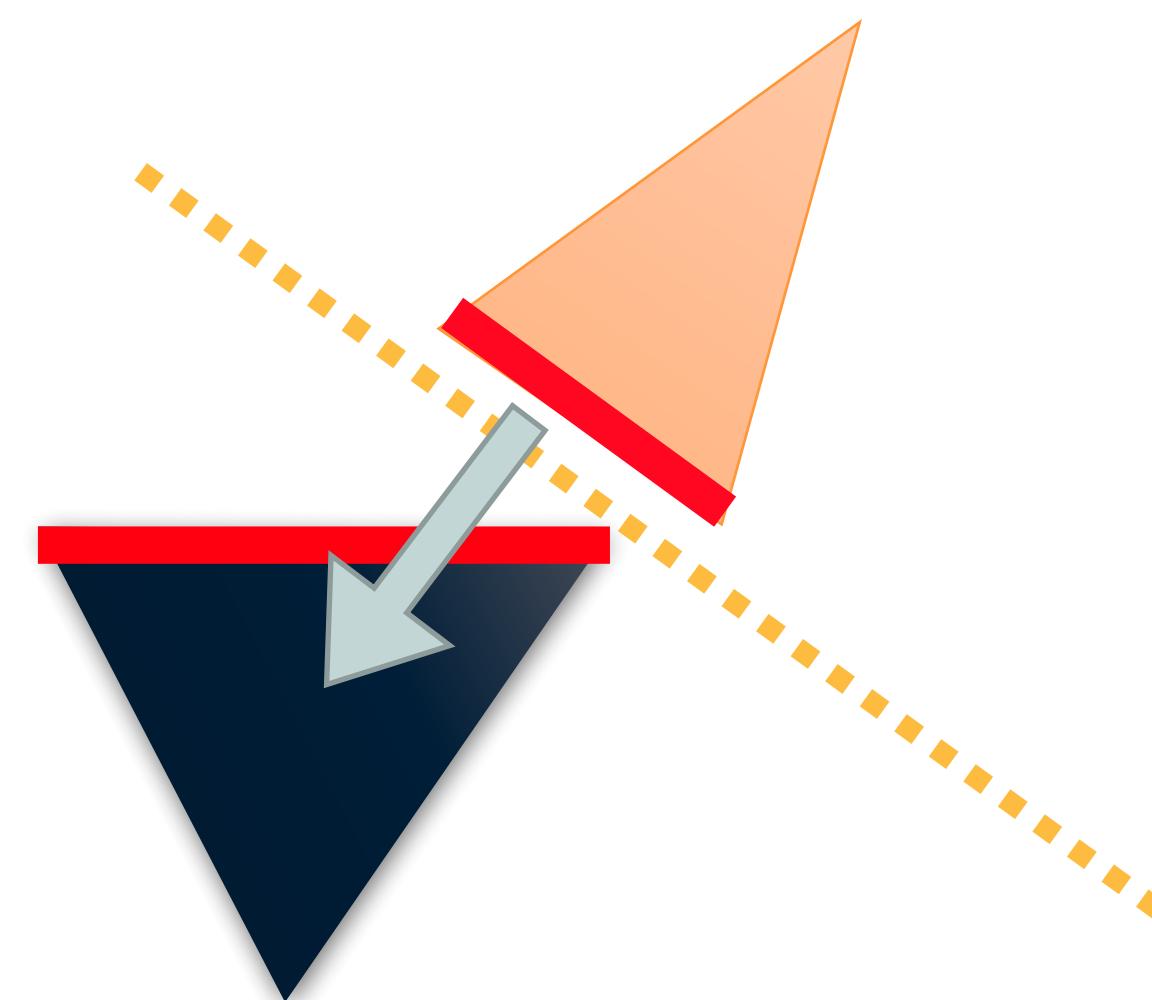
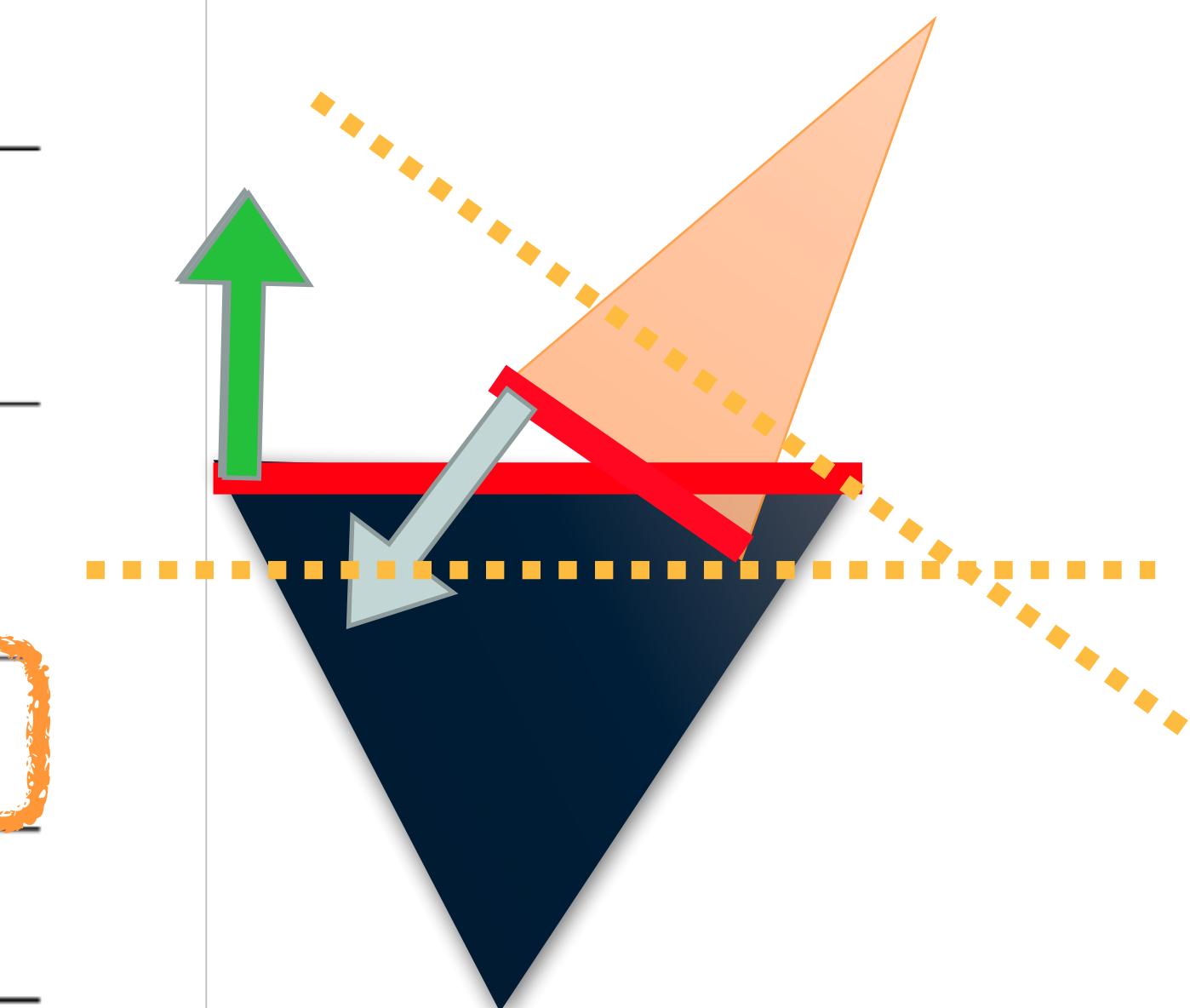
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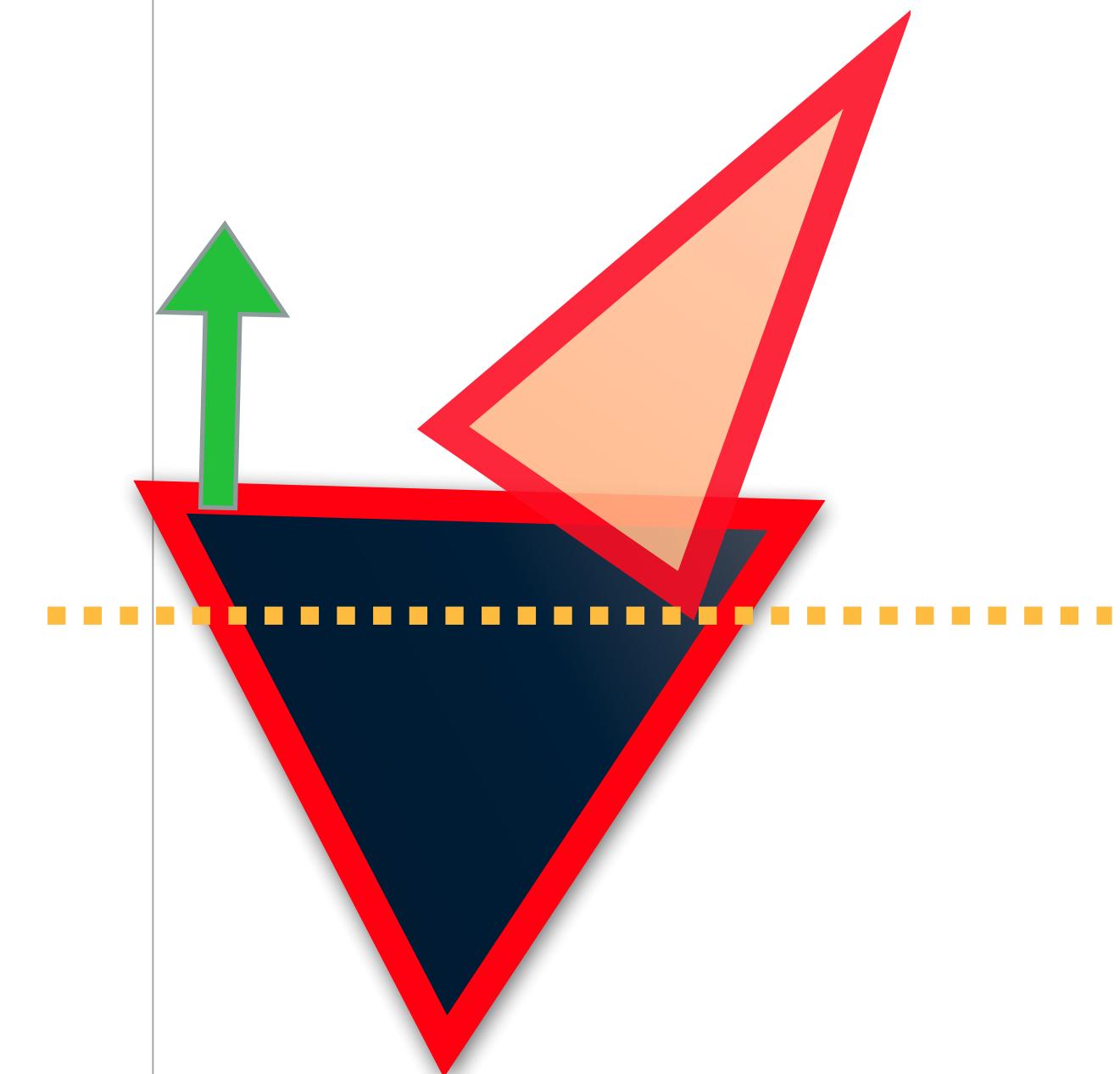
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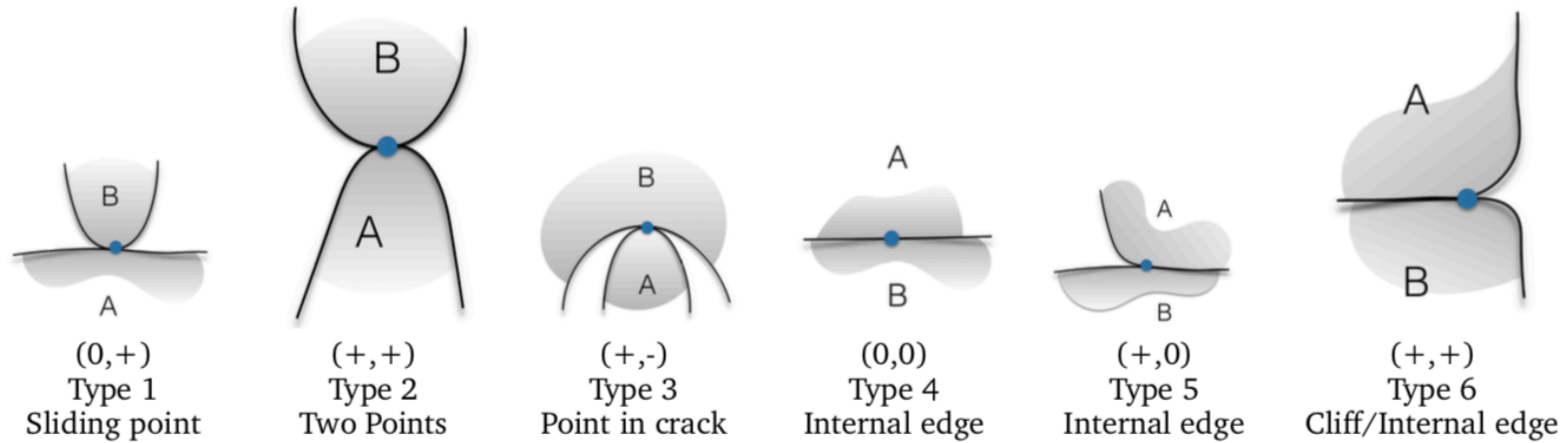




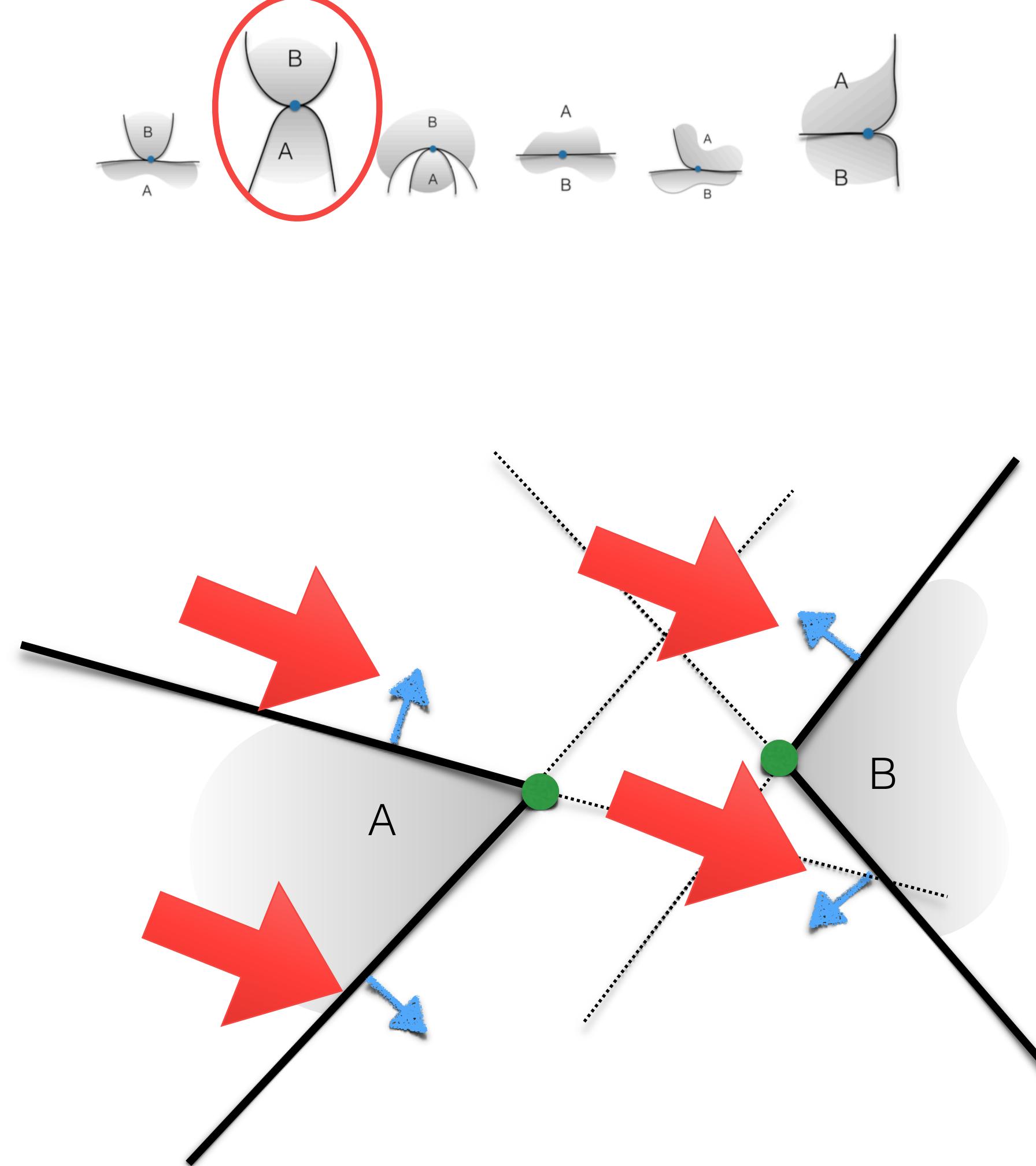
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FUNDAMENTAL CASES

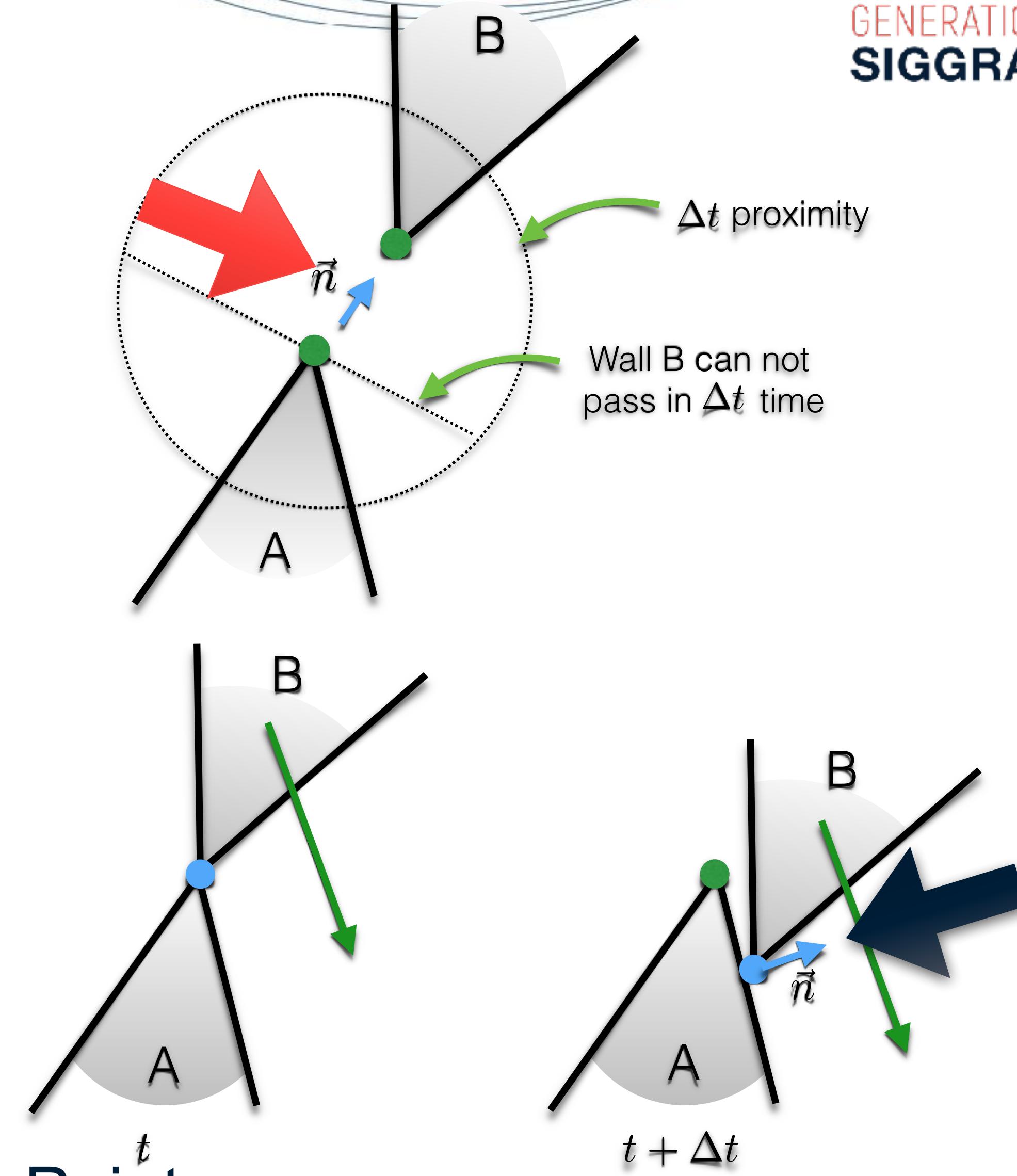
All possible curvature combinations in 2D

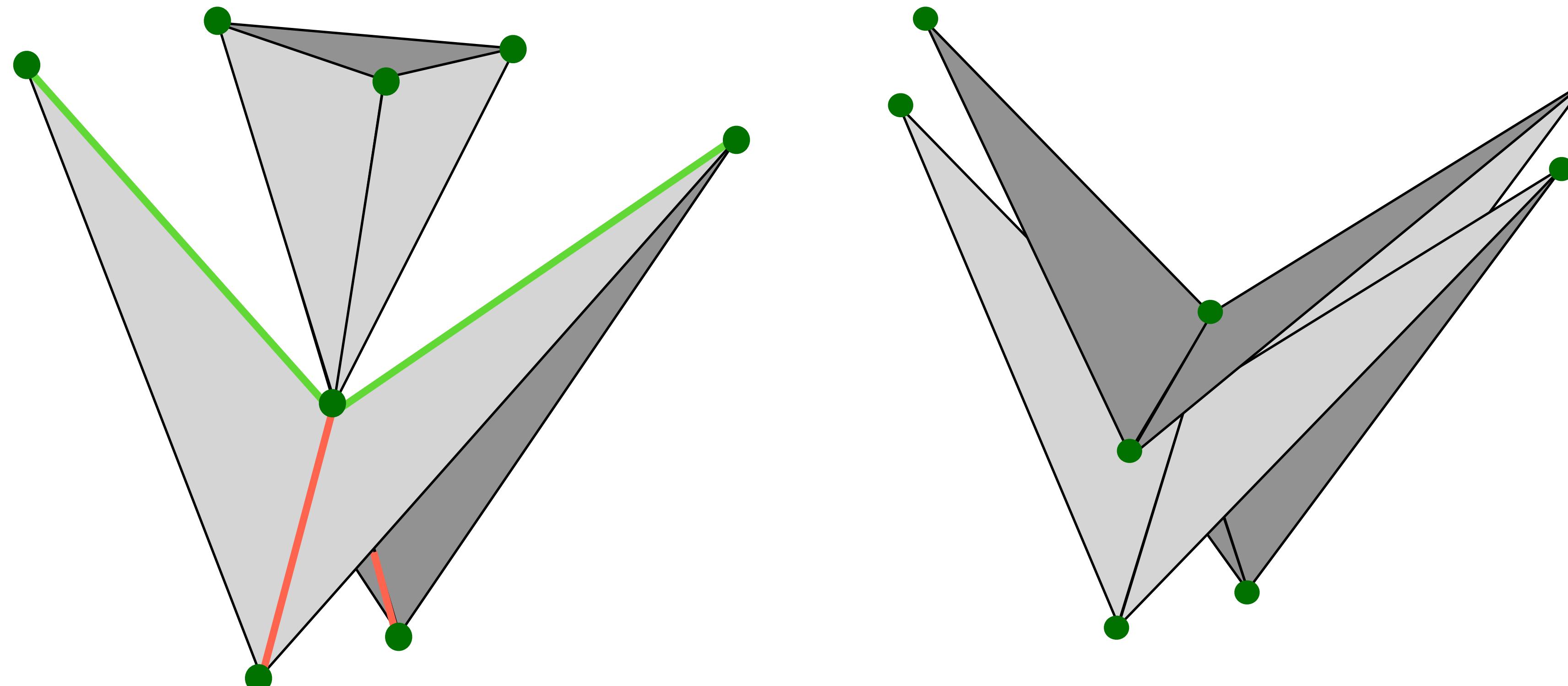
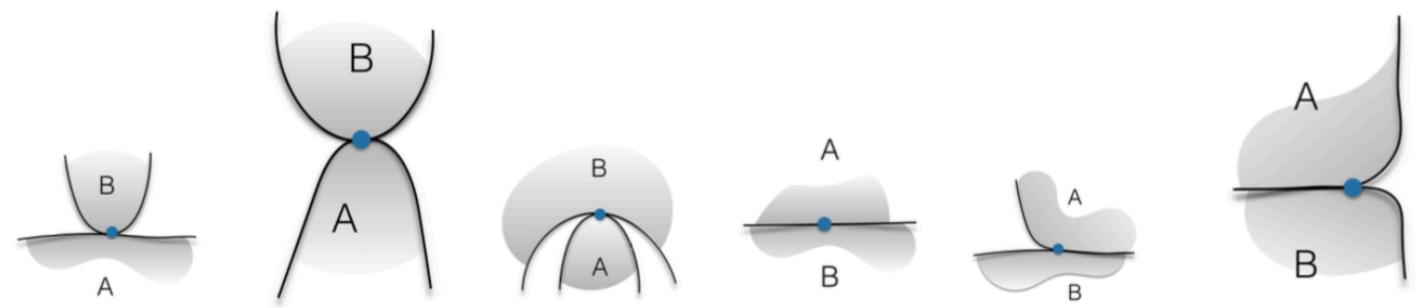


Results in necessary set of 3D counter cases

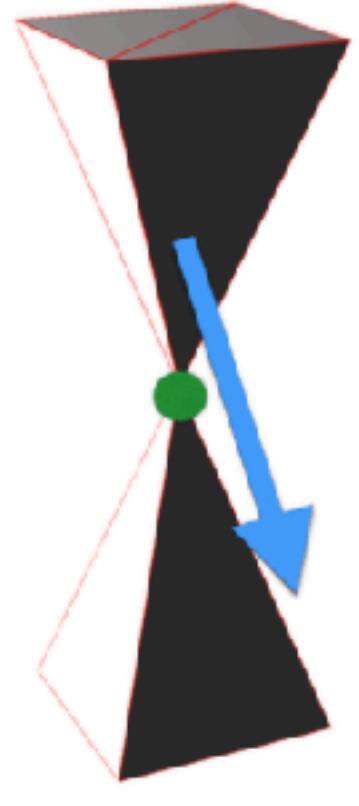
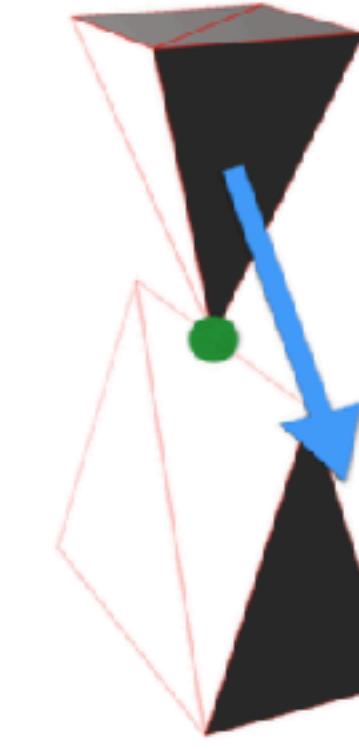
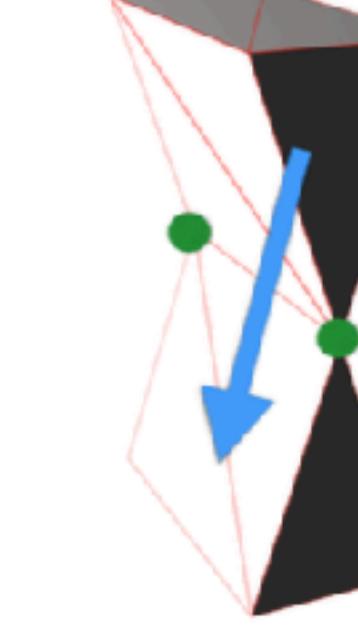
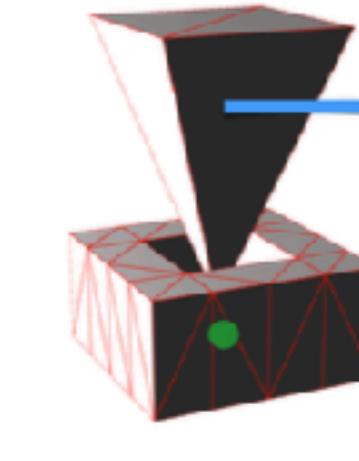
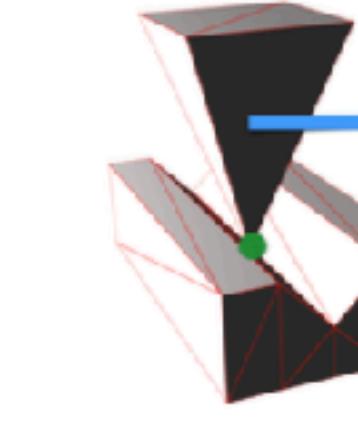
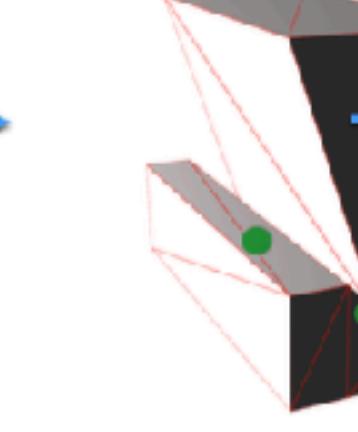
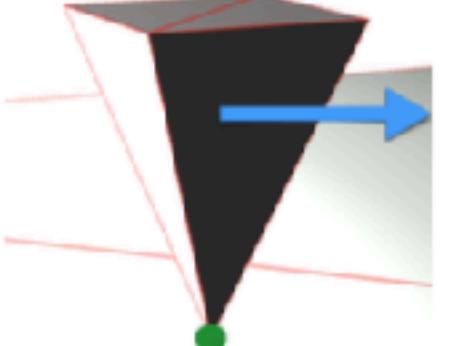
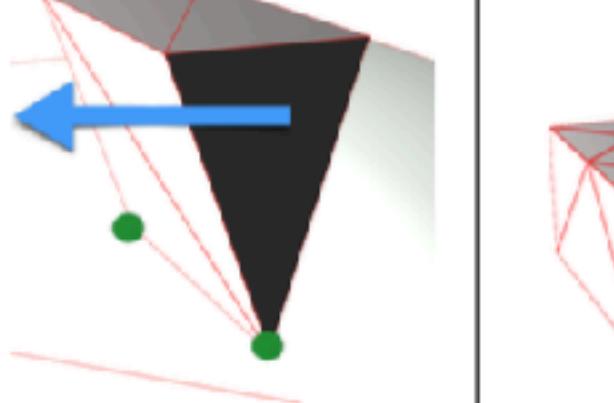
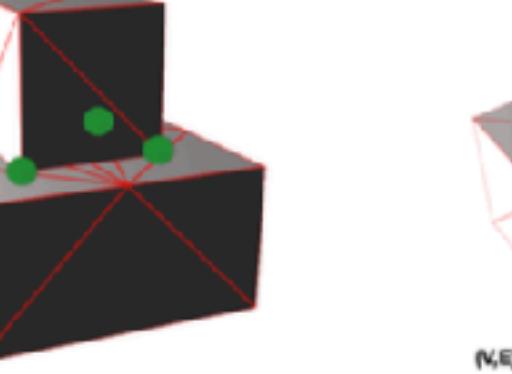
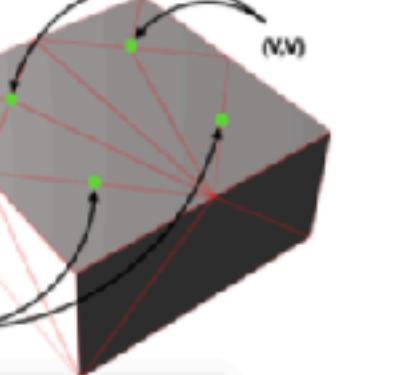
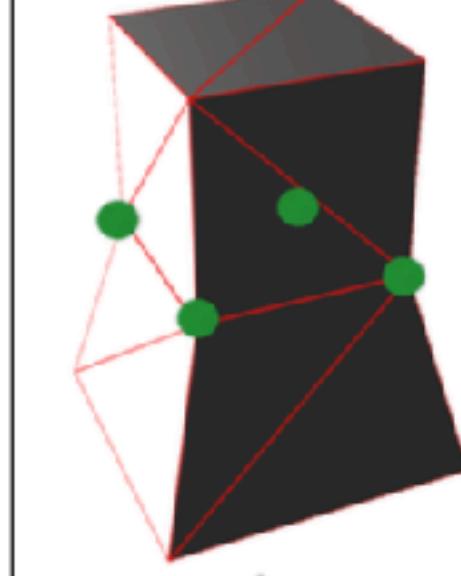


Two Points





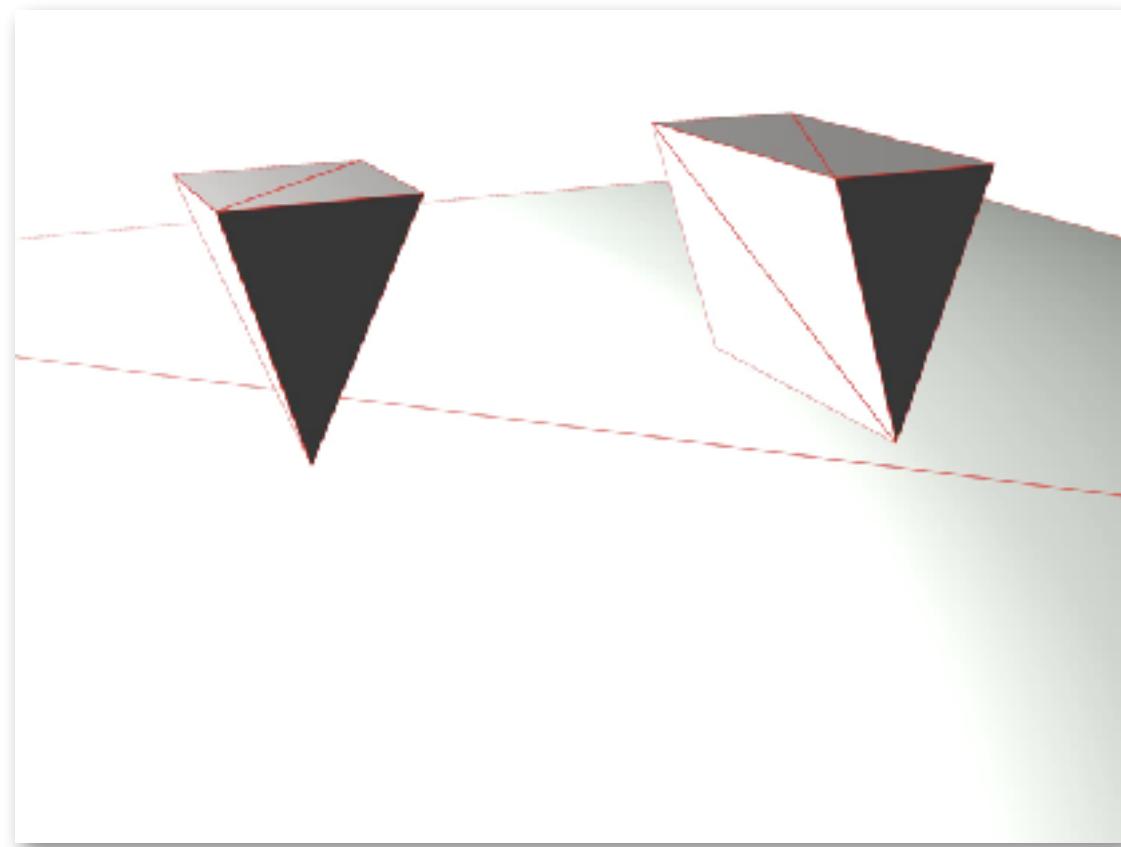
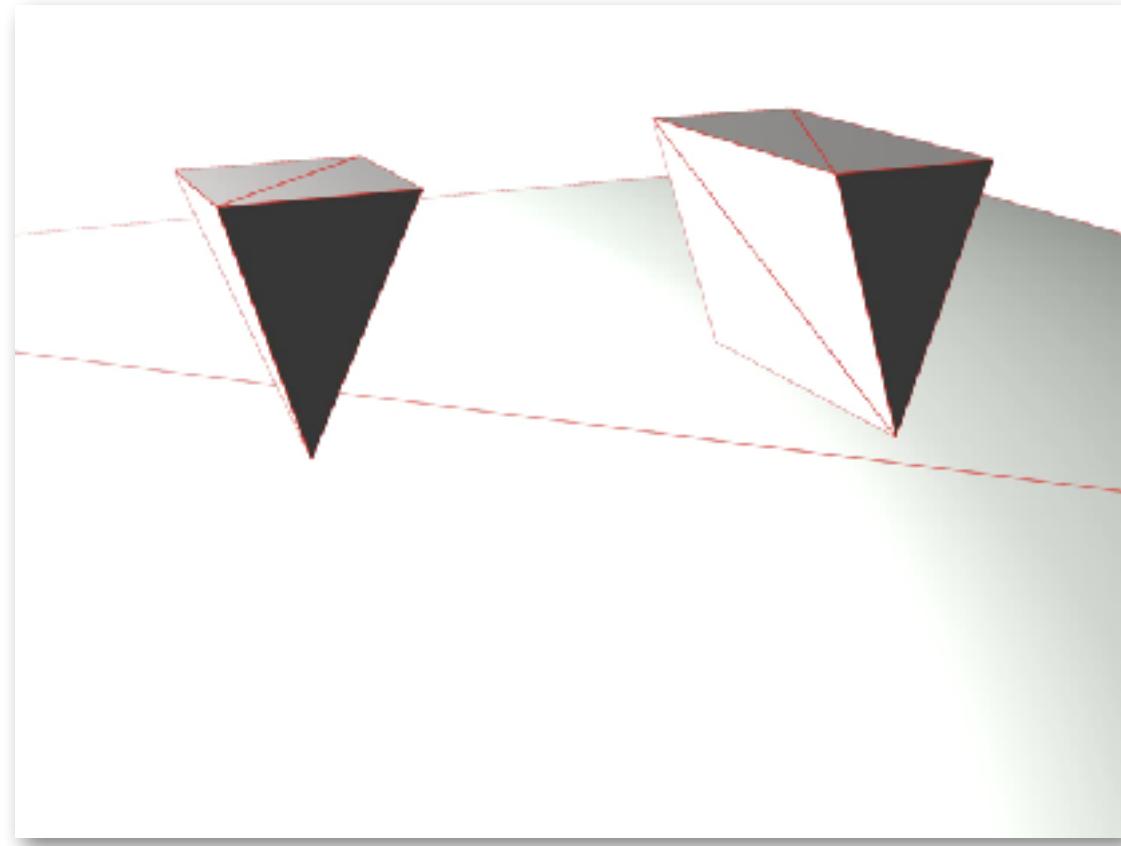
Mixed curvature cases in 3D are not covered

Two points (Strict convex cases)			Point in crack (Non-convex cases)		
					
Spikes	Spike & wedge	Wedges	Spike in hole	Spike in crack	Wedge in crack
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$(-\gamma, \beta, 0)^\dagger$	$(-\gamma, \beta, 0)^\dagger$	$(\gamma, \beta, 0)^\dagger$	$(0, \alpha, -\alpha)$	$(-\alpha, \alpha, 0)$	$(-\alpha, \alpha, 0)$
$(0, \gamma, \beta)^\dagger$			$(\alpha, \alpha, 0)$		
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1	1	2	4	2	4
Sliding point (Flat cases)			Internal edges		
					
Sliding spike	Sliding wedge		Mesh Connectivity \ddagger		
$(0, 1, 0)$	$(0, 1, 0)$		$2 \times (V, V) \text{ & } 2 \times (V, E)$		
1	2				
		4			

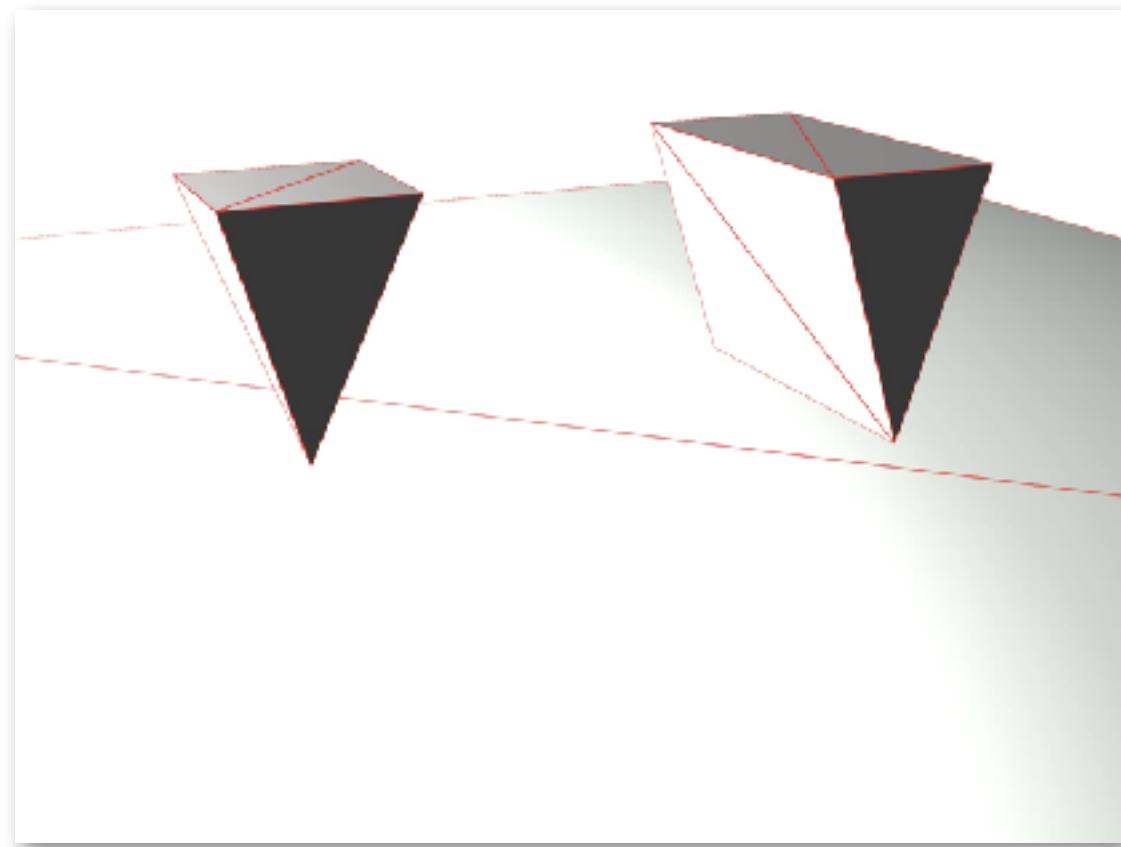
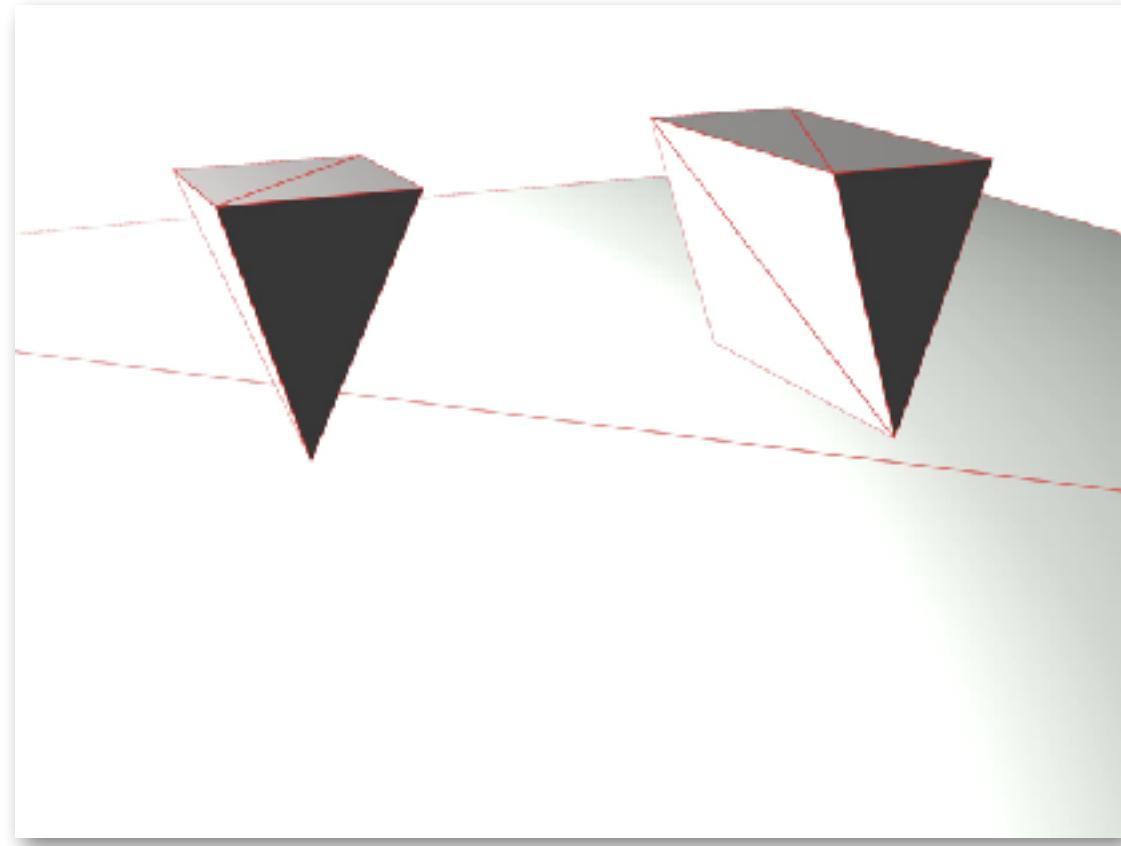
By construction
we know minimal
number of
contacts and ideal
normal directions

SLIDING POINT

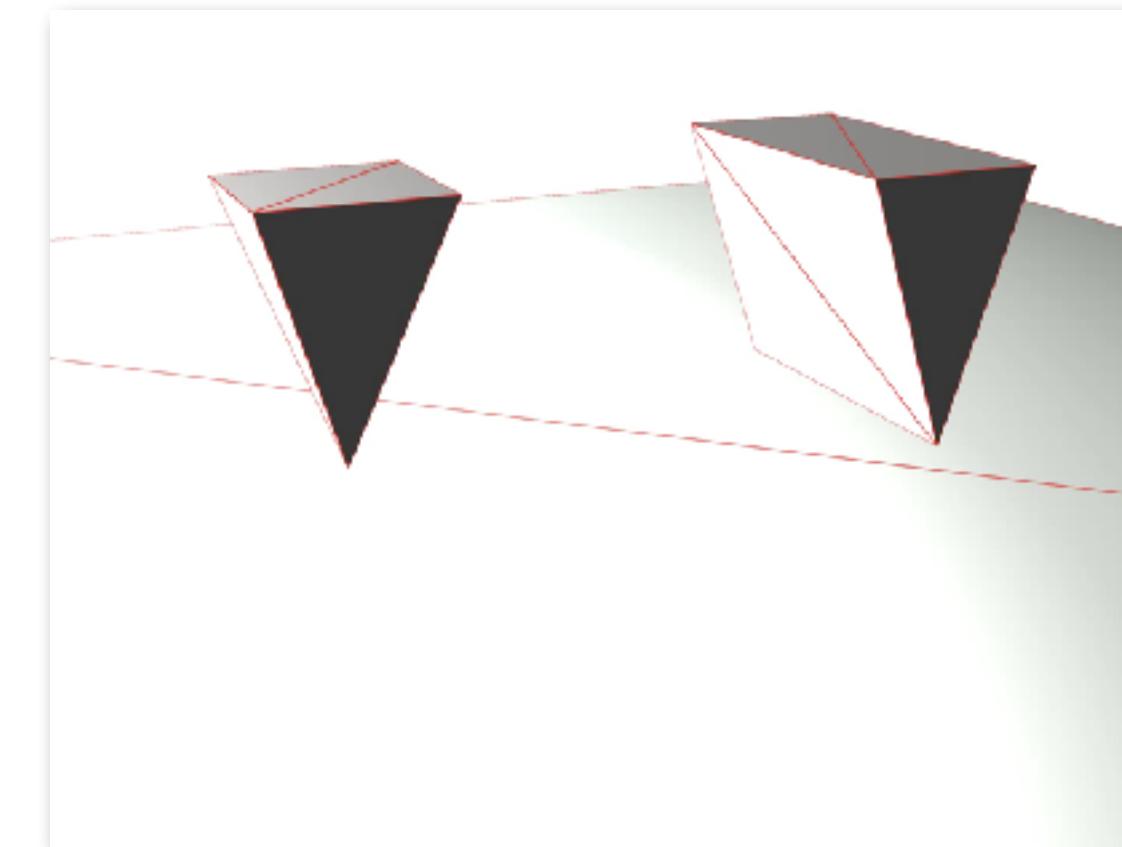
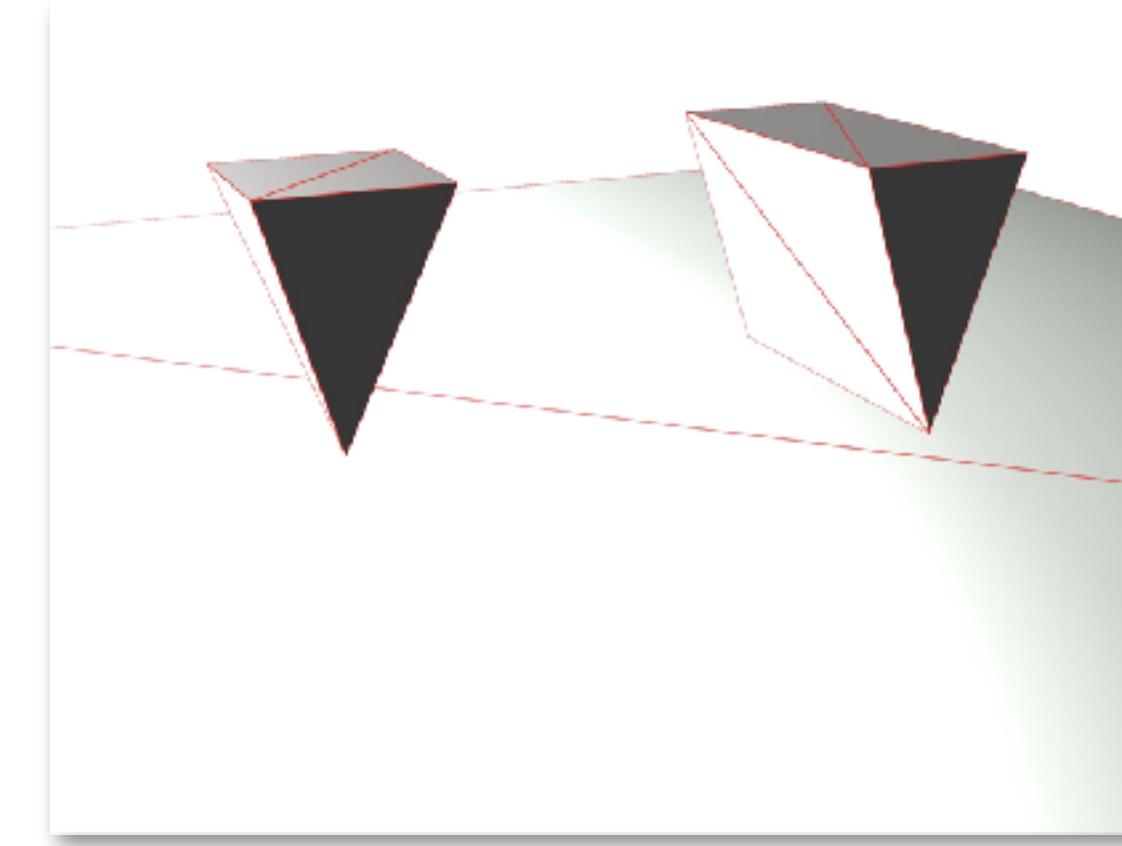
Closest points



Consistent vertex



Growth



Opposing

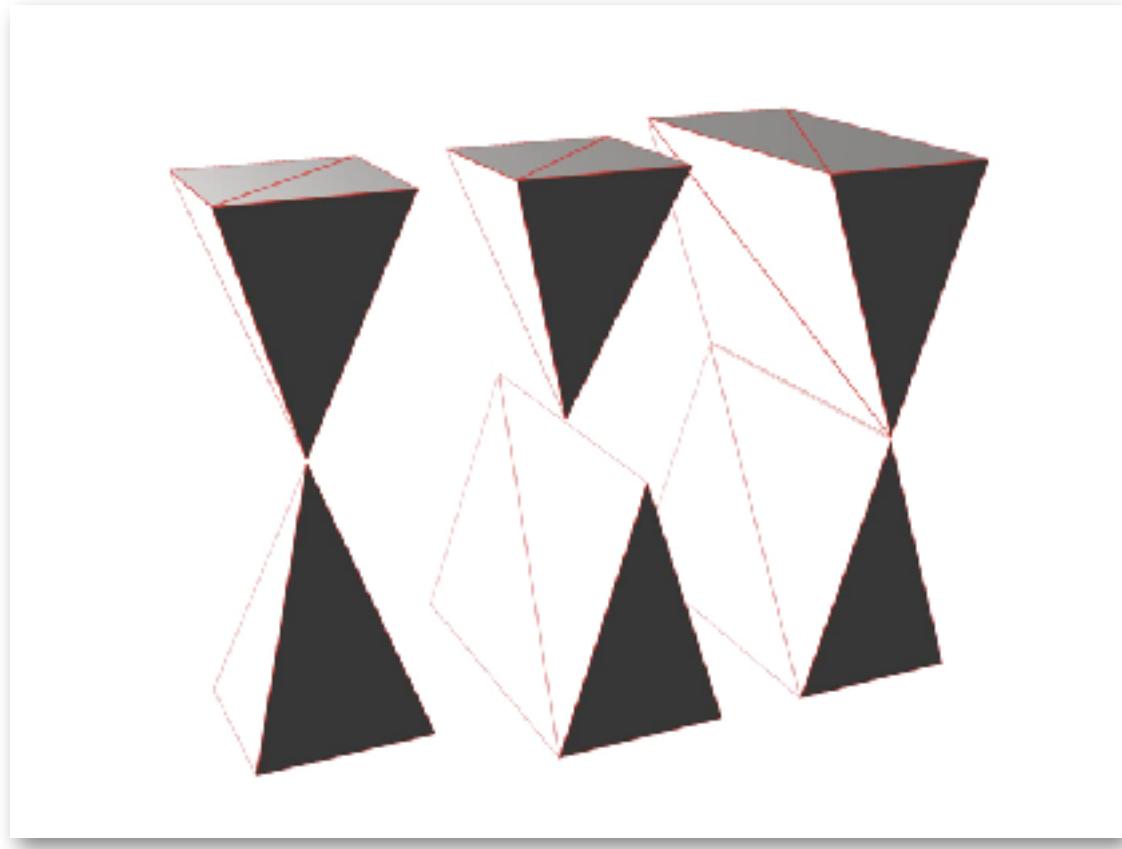
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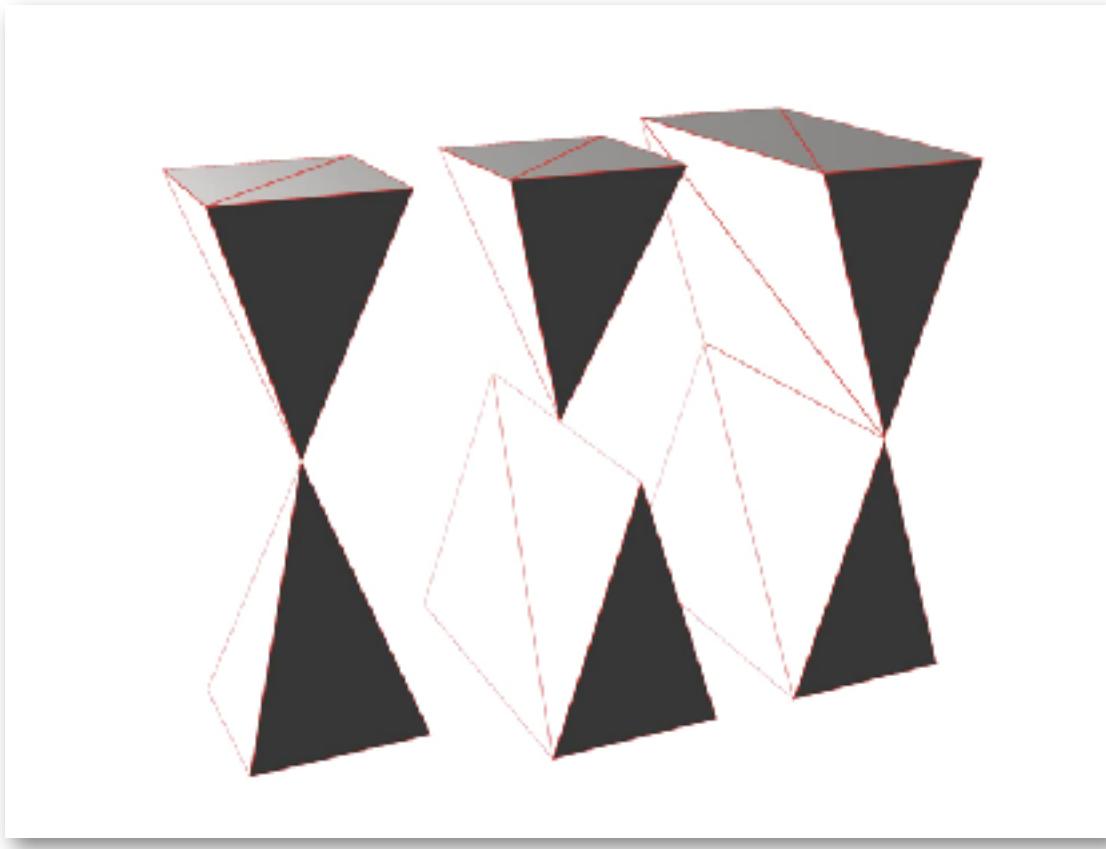
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TWO POINTS

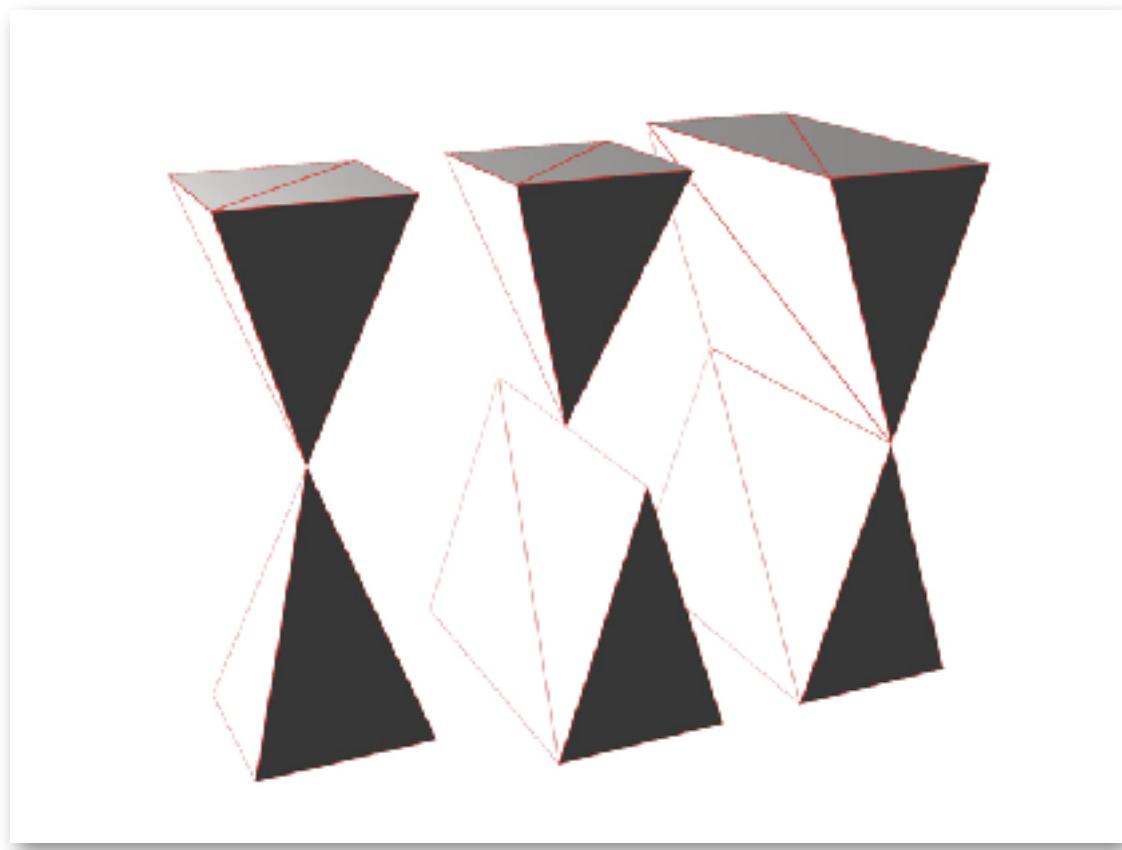
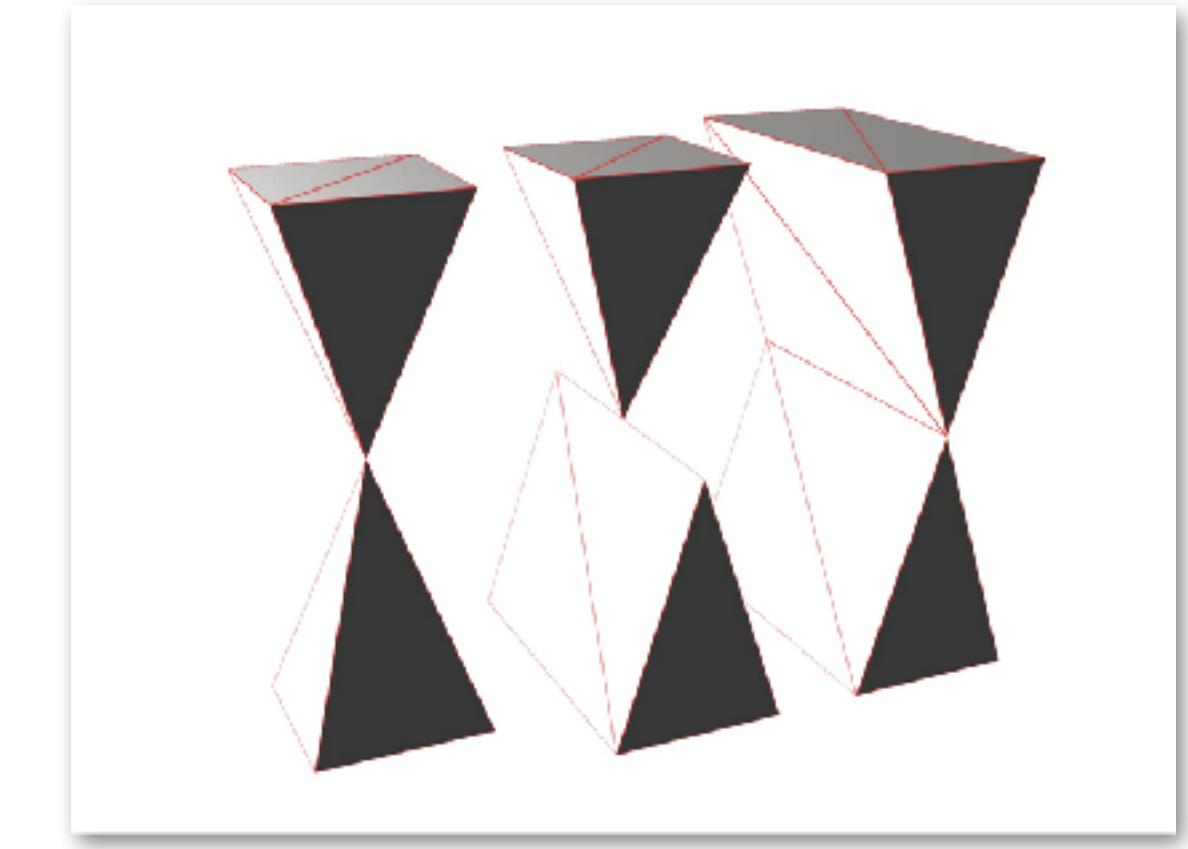
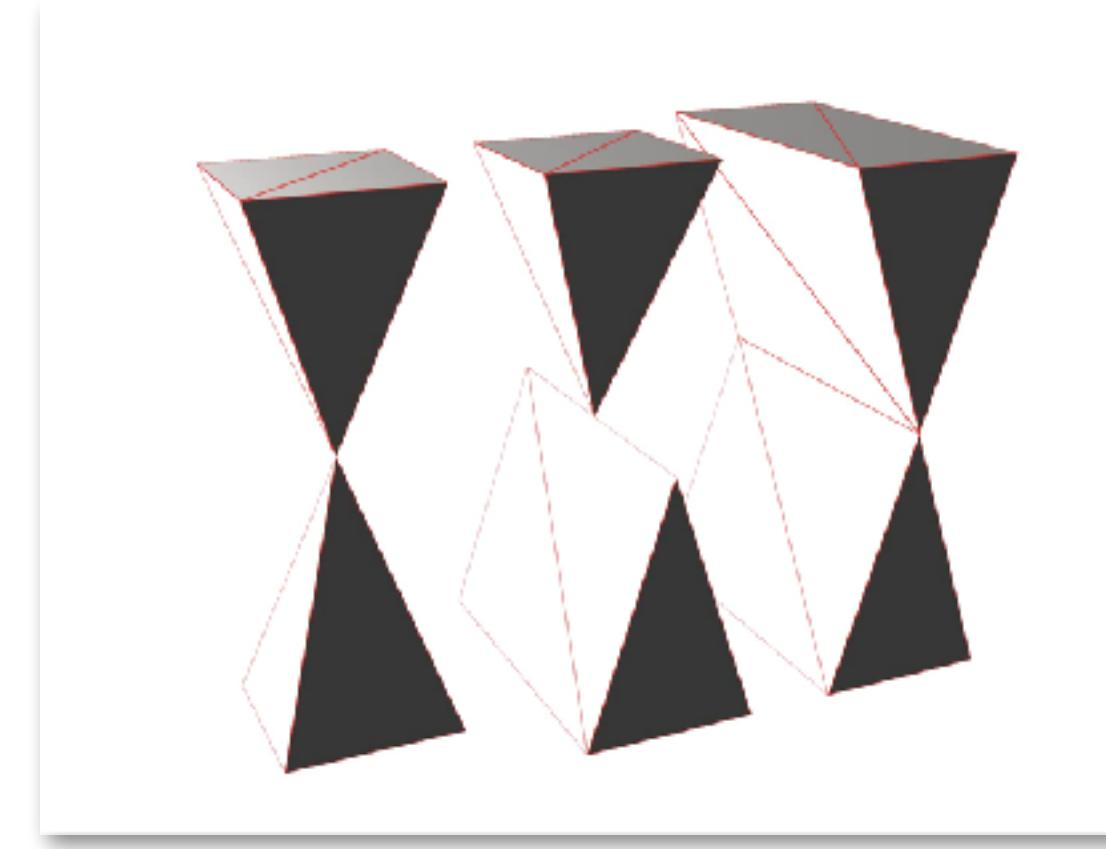
Closest points



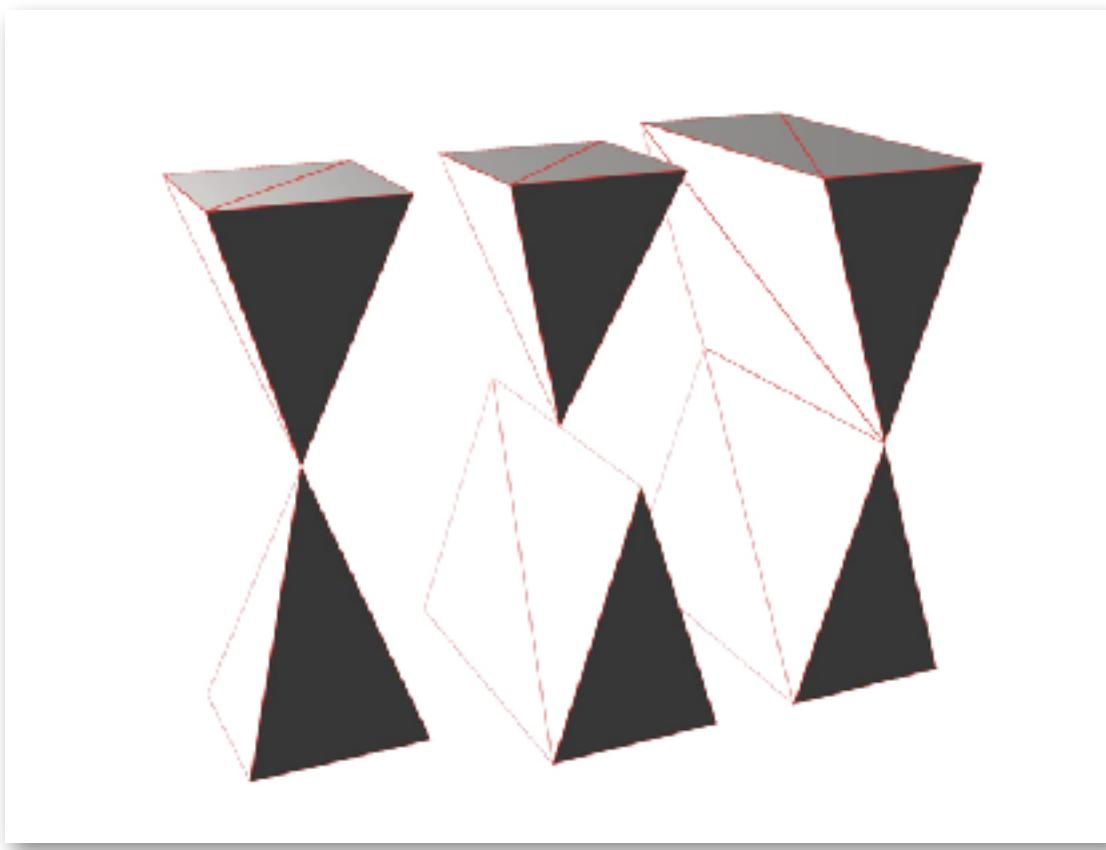
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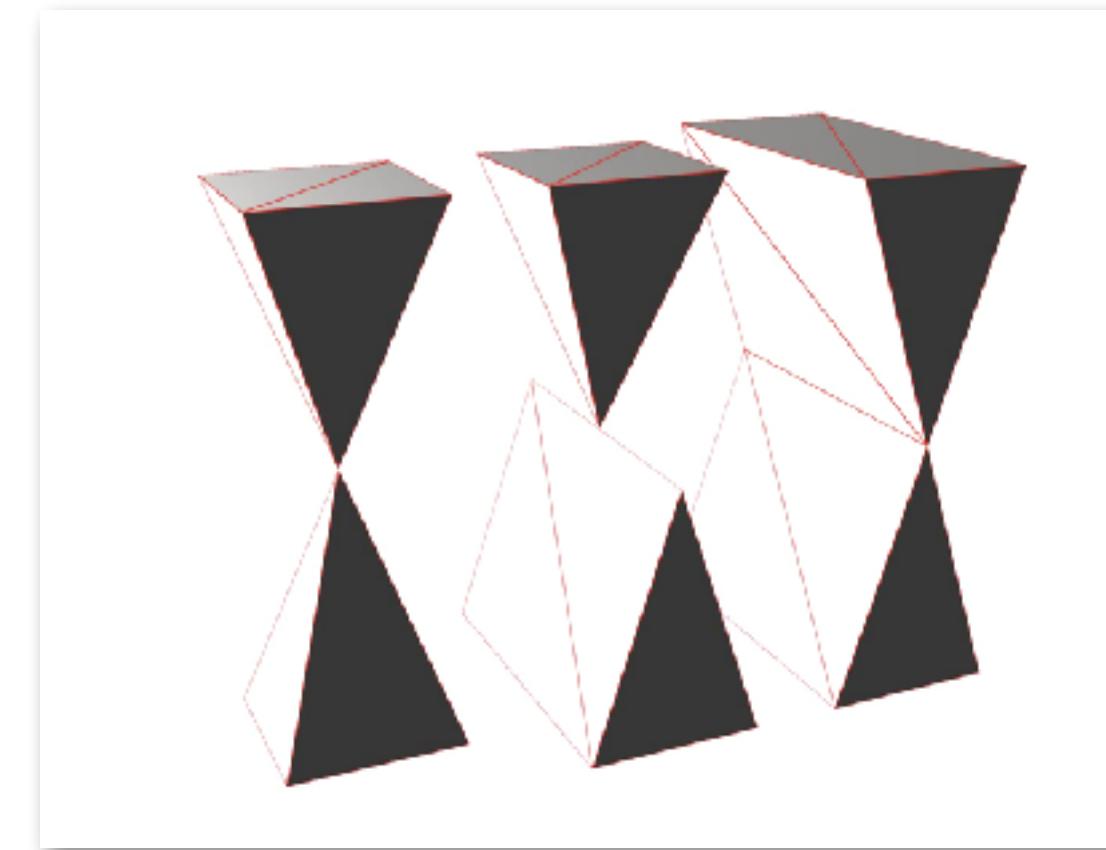
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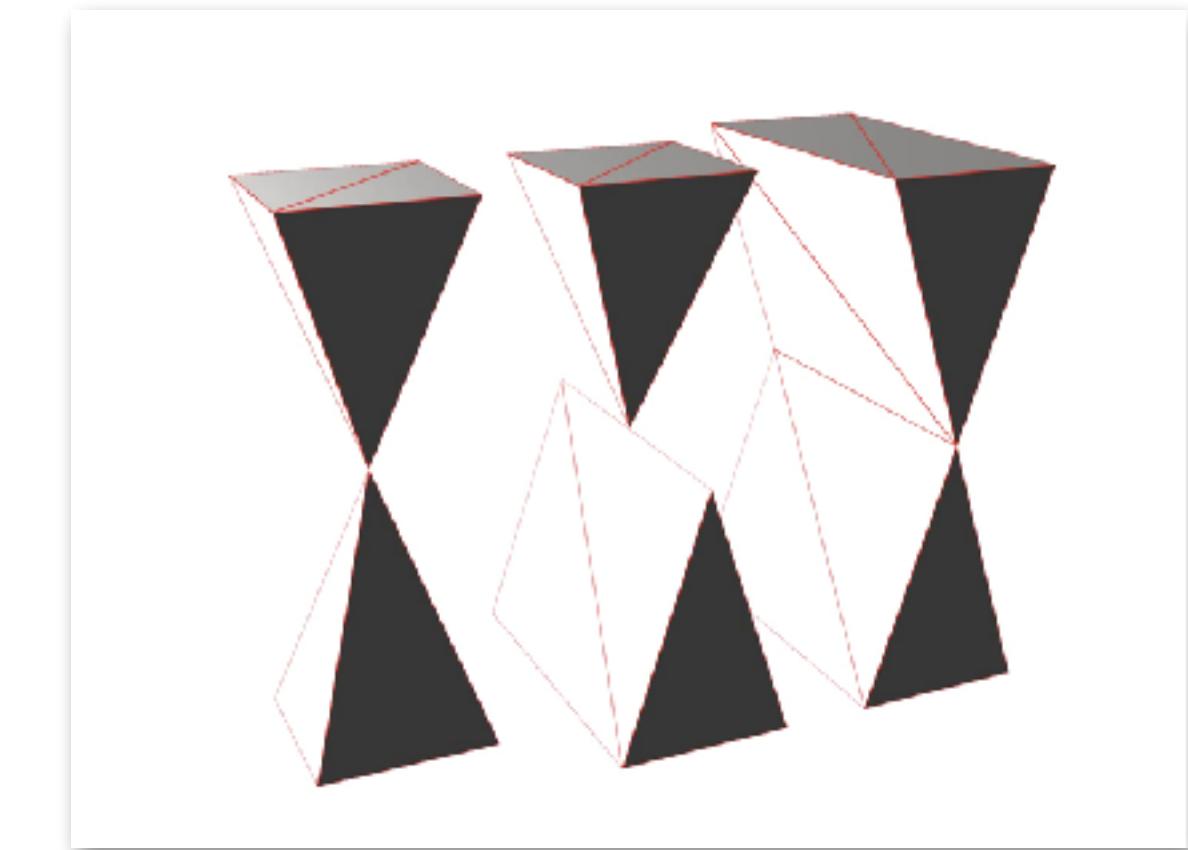
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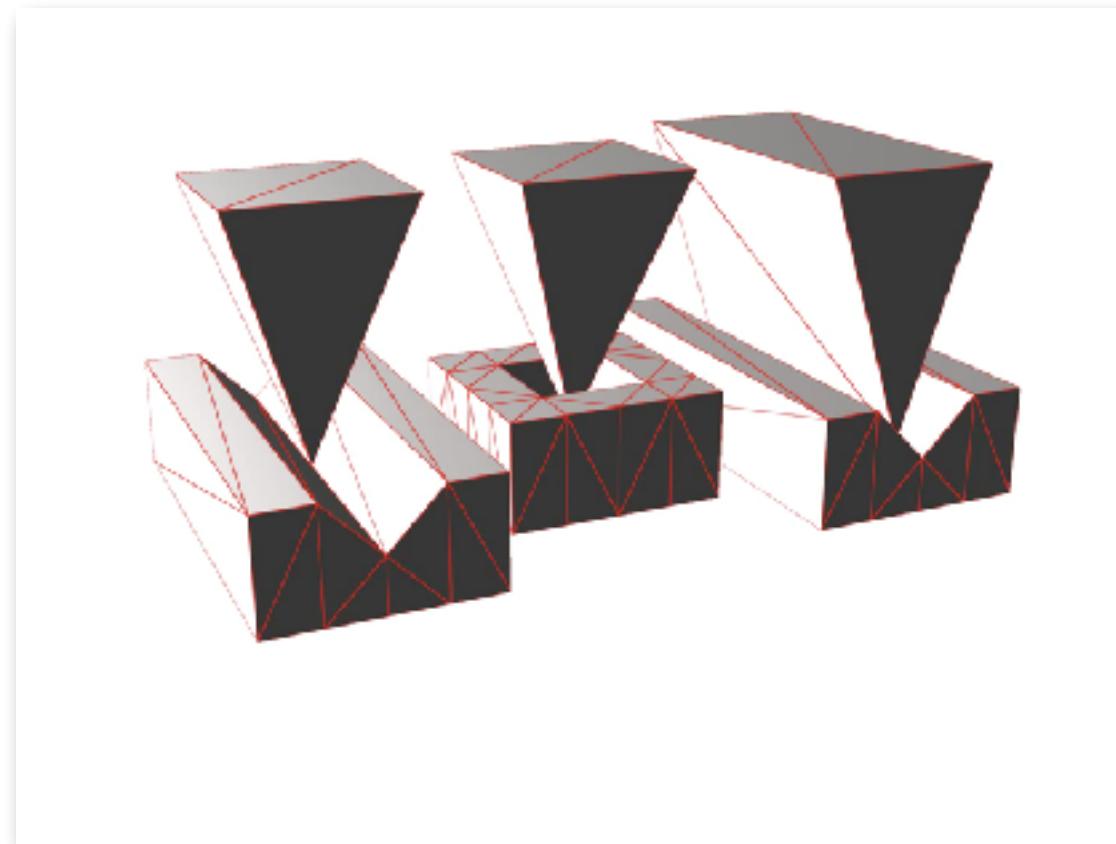
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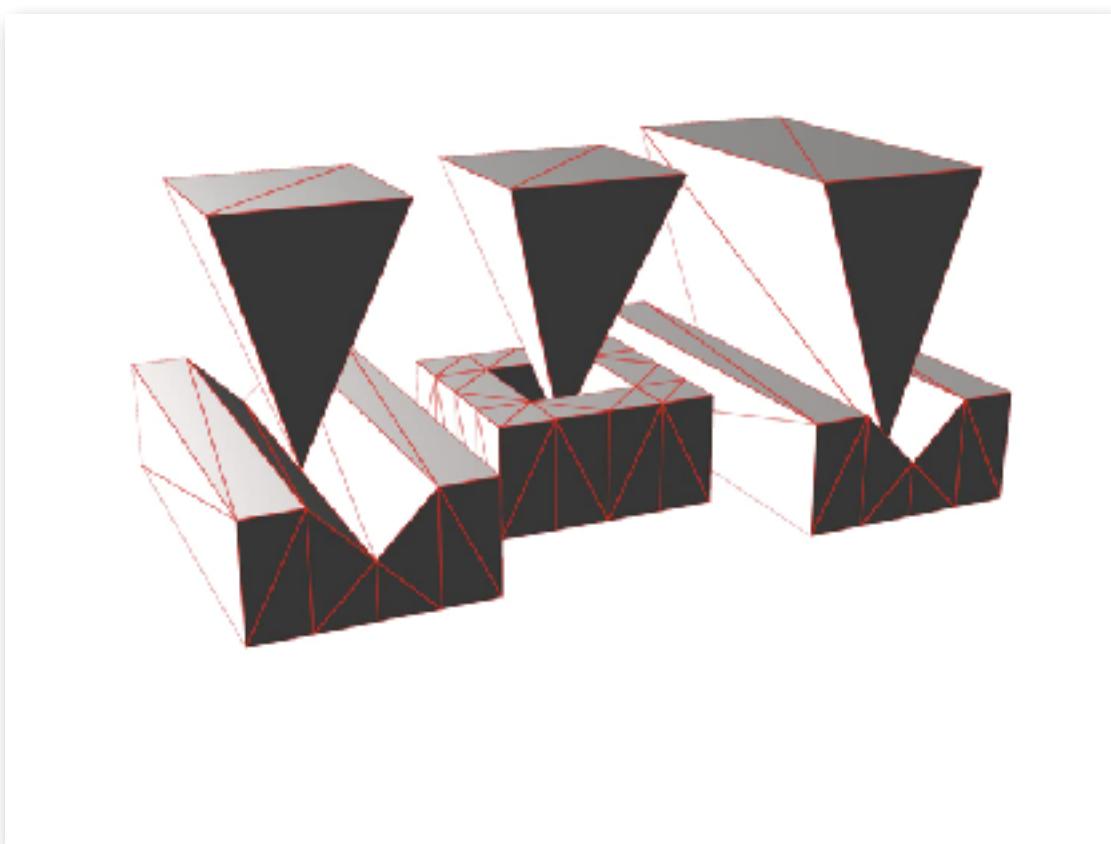
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POINT IN CRACK

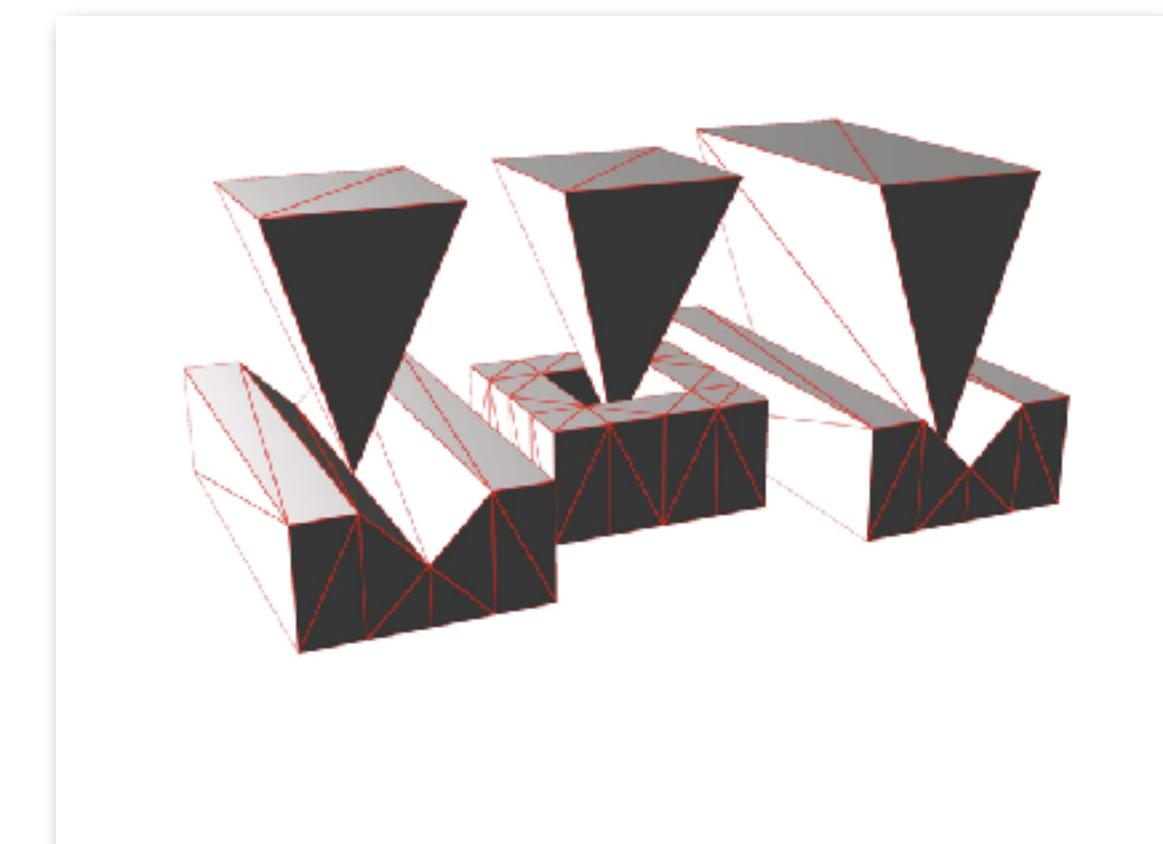
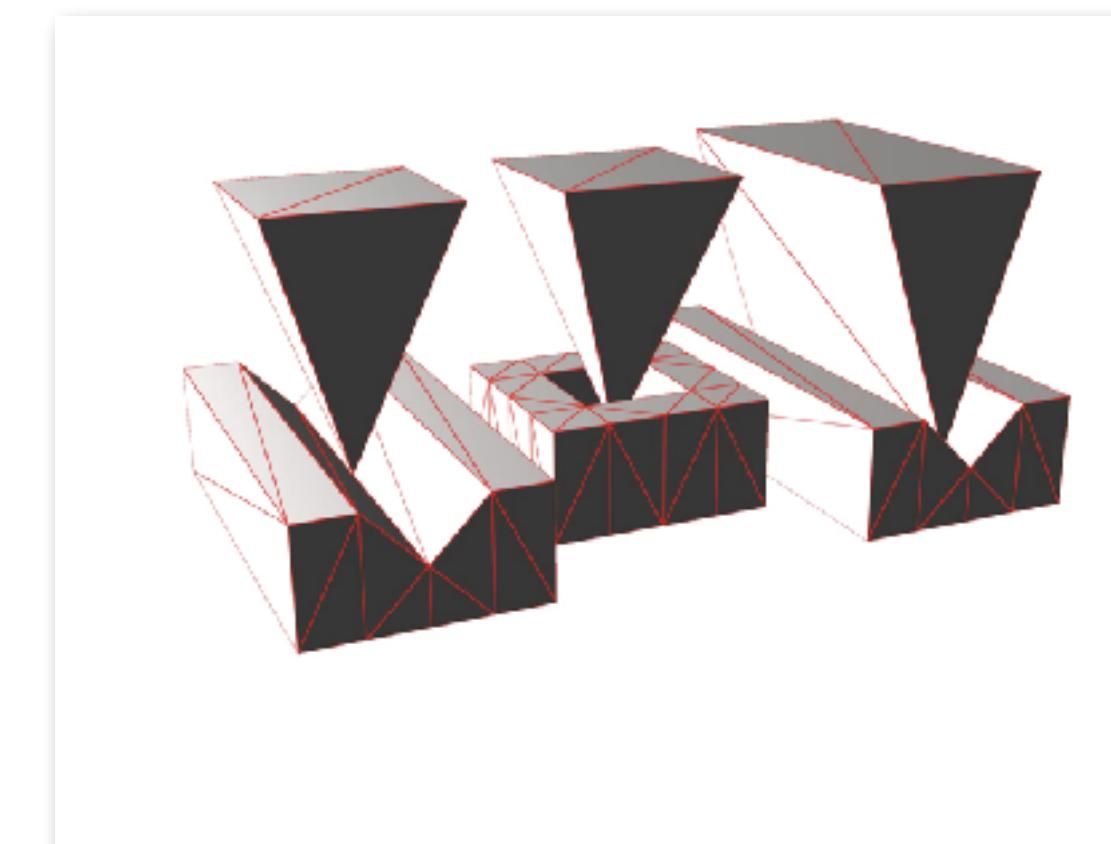
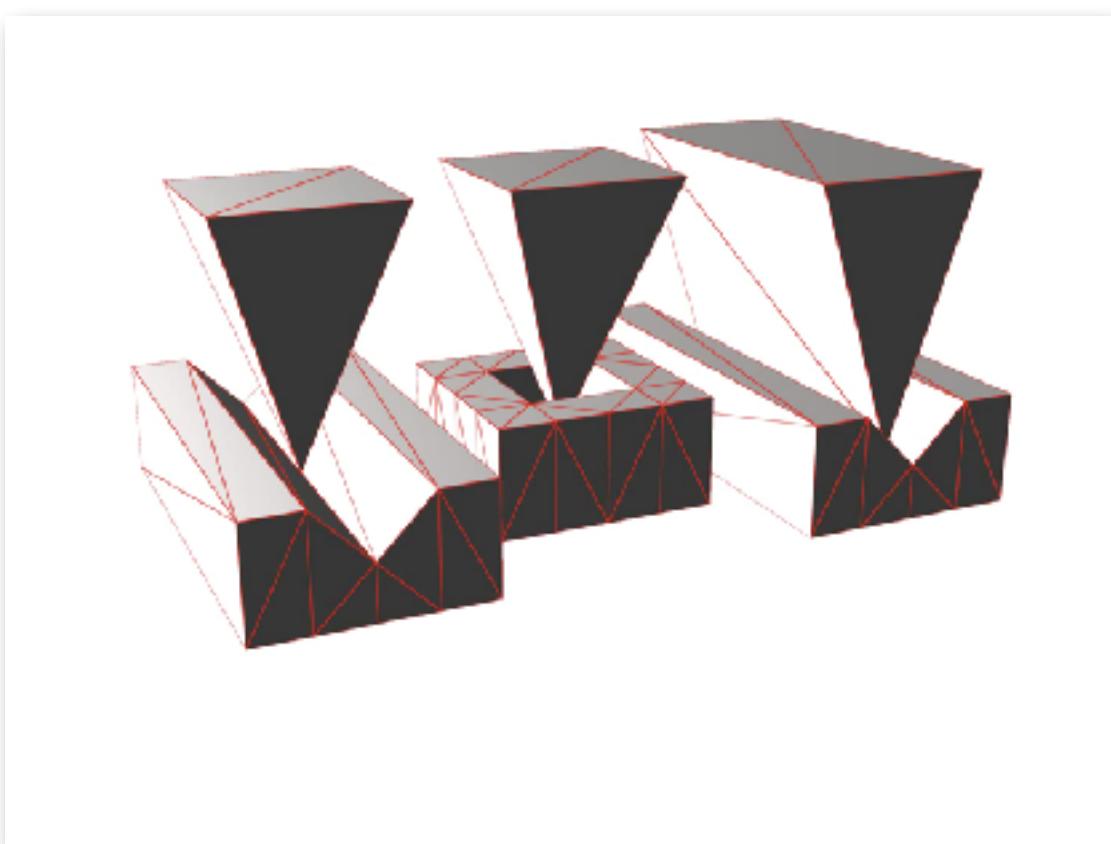
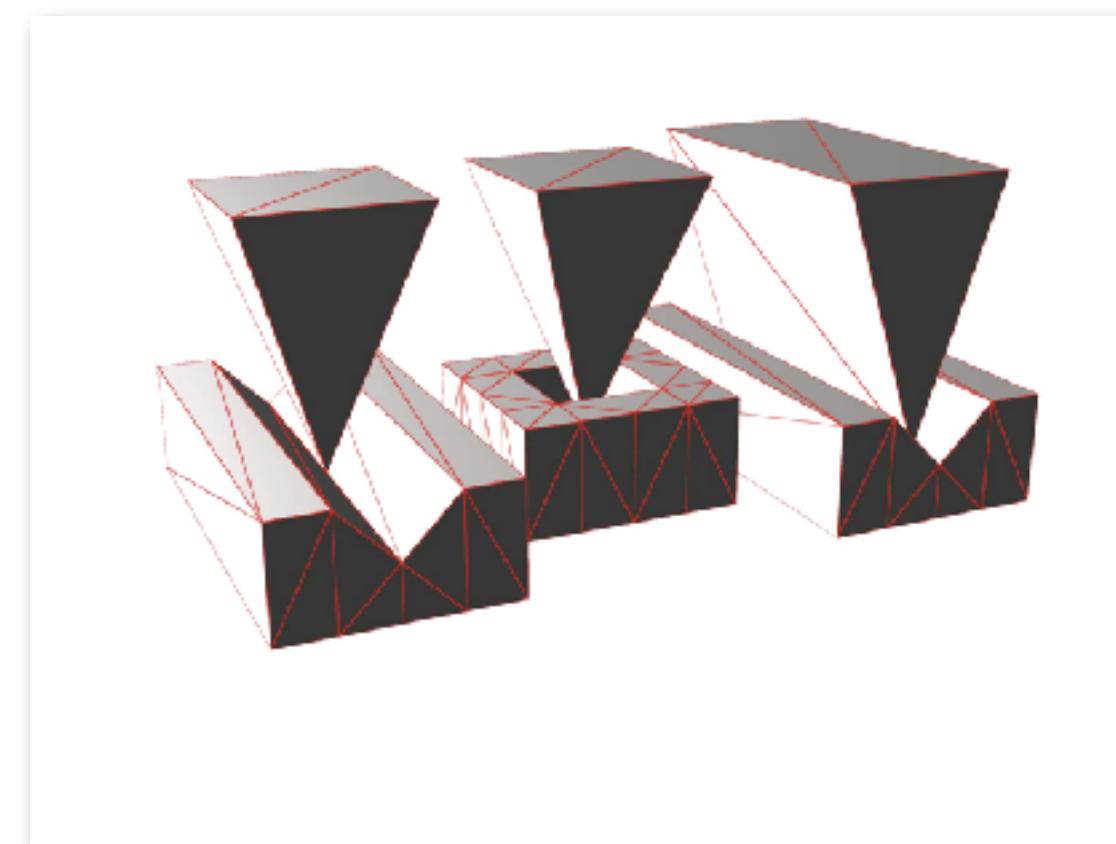
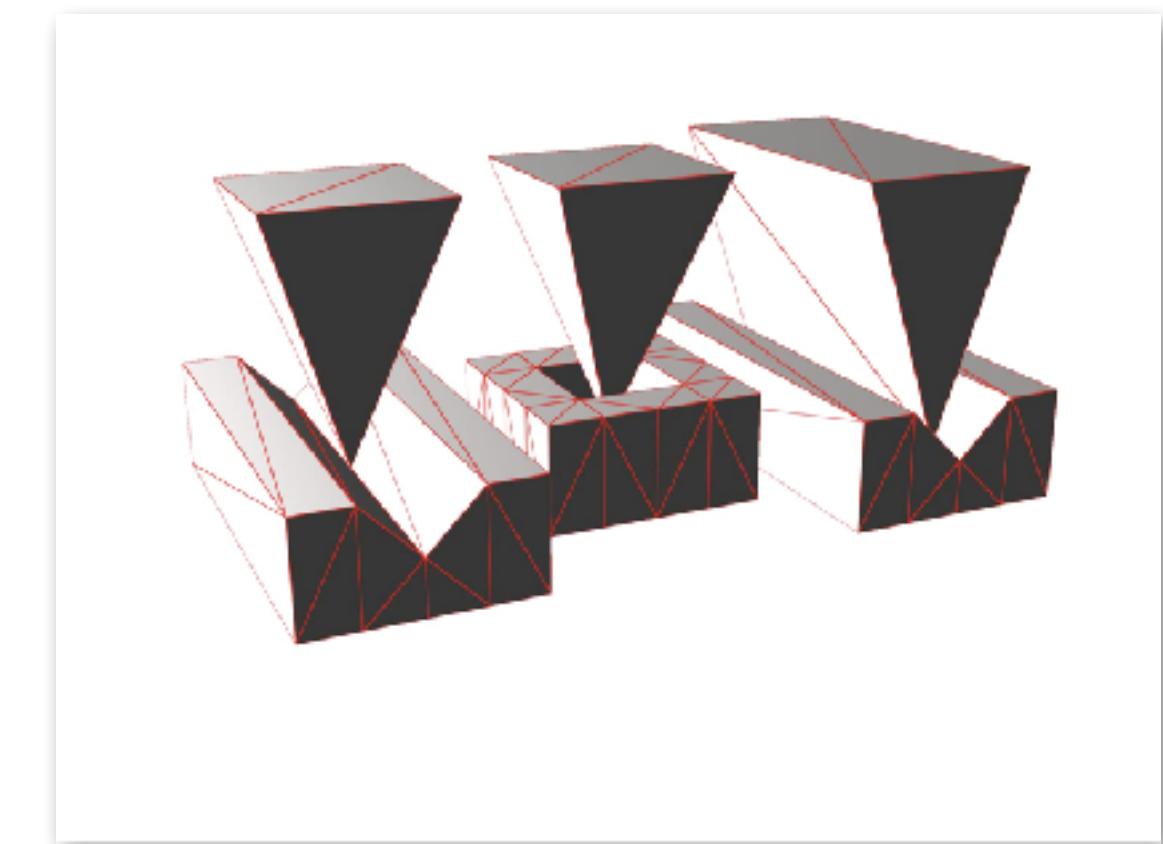
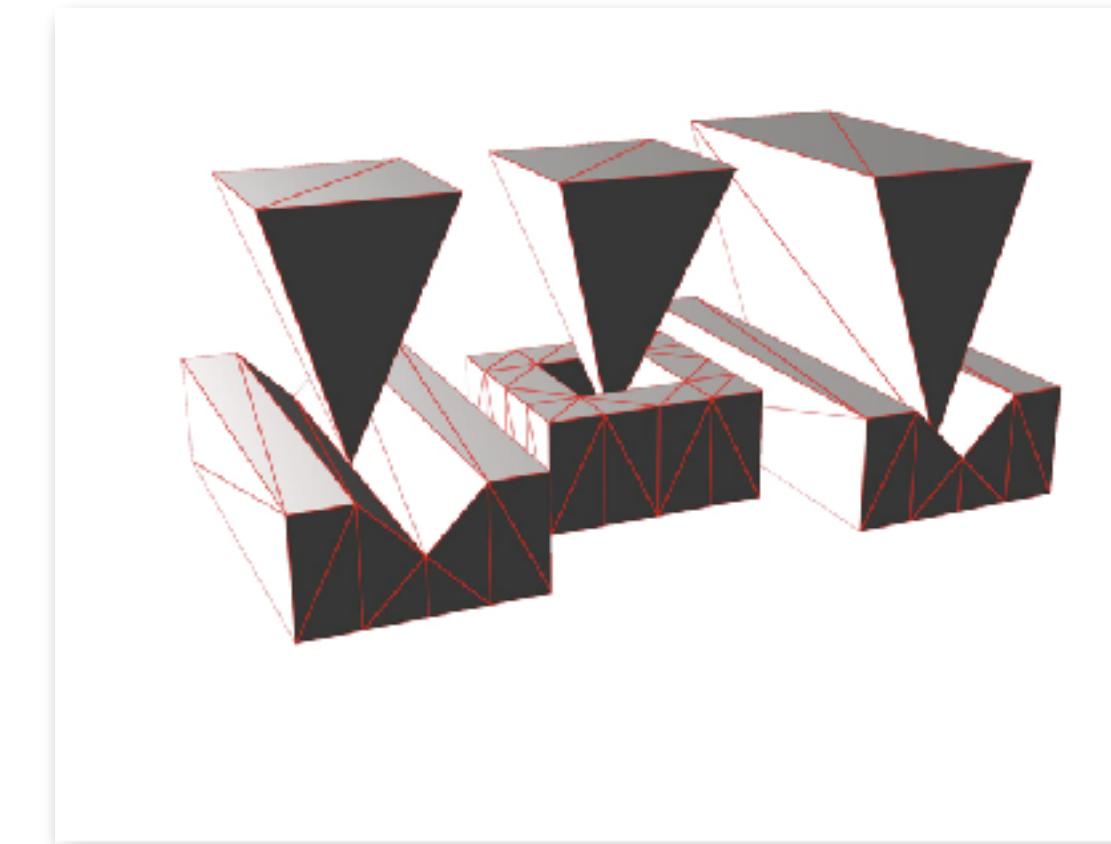
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Consistent vertex



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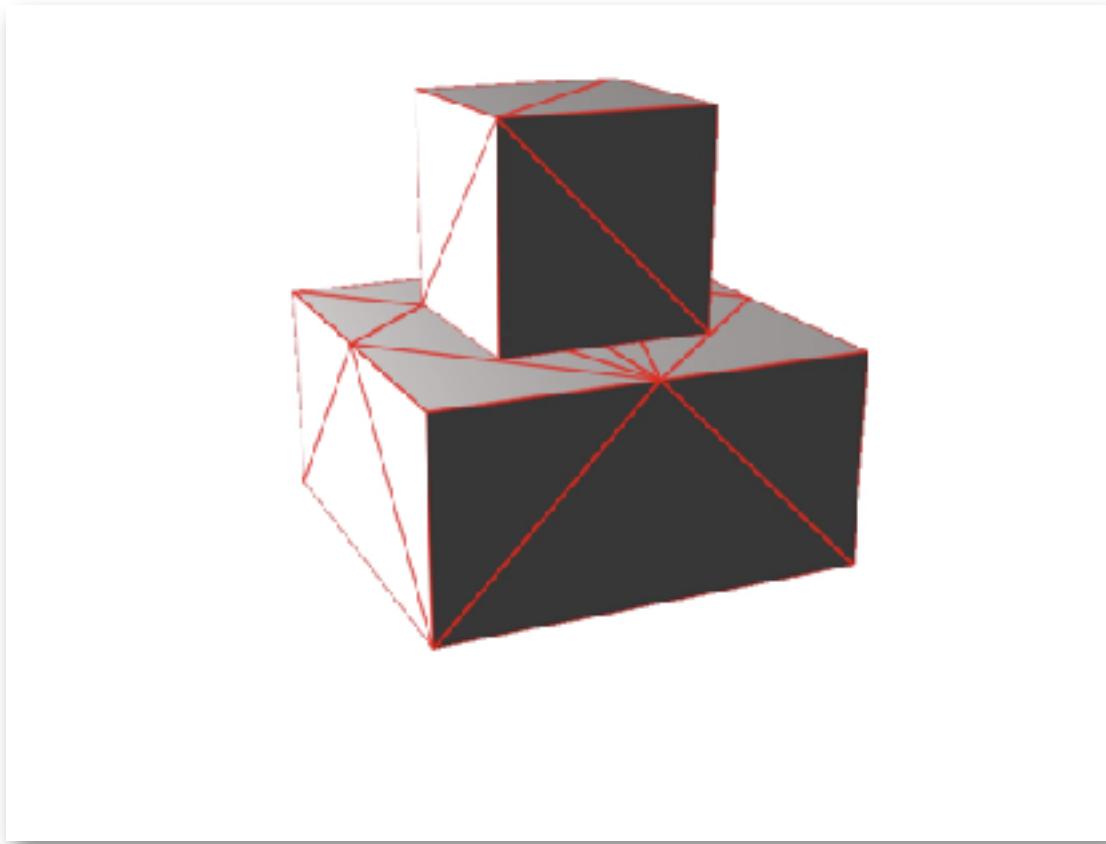
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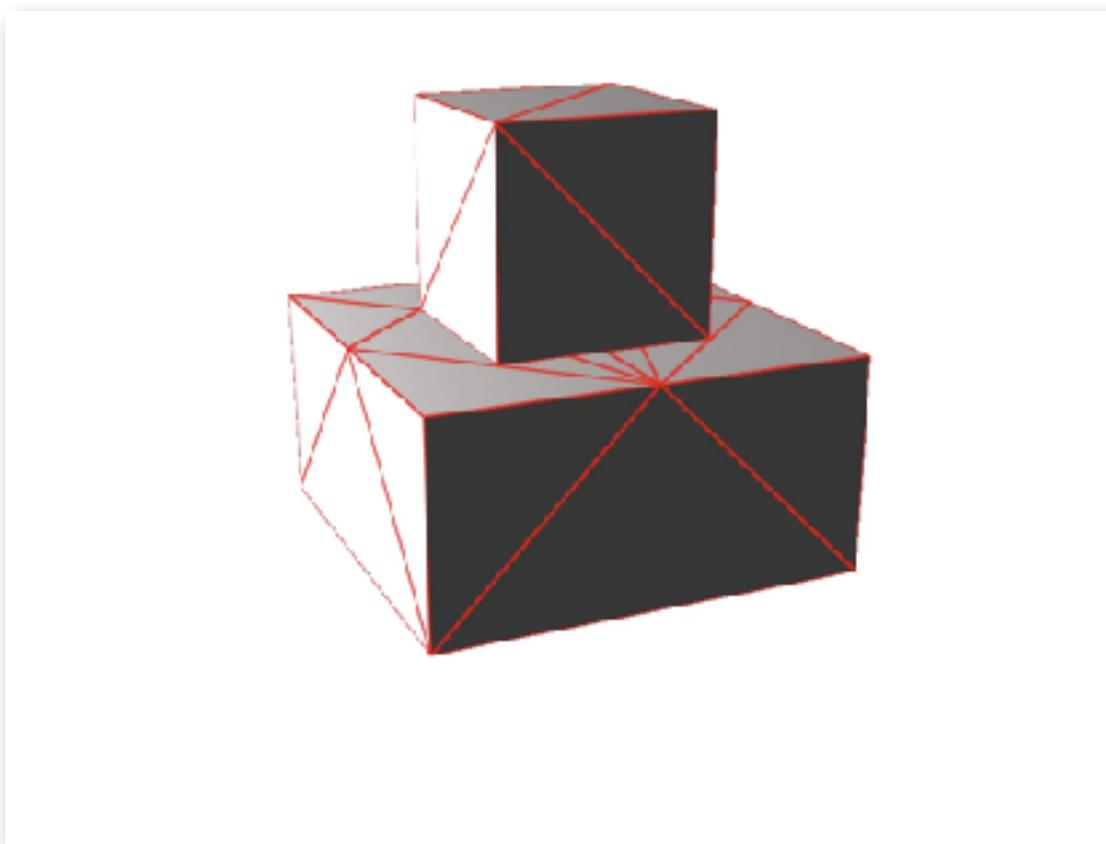
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INTERNAL EDGES

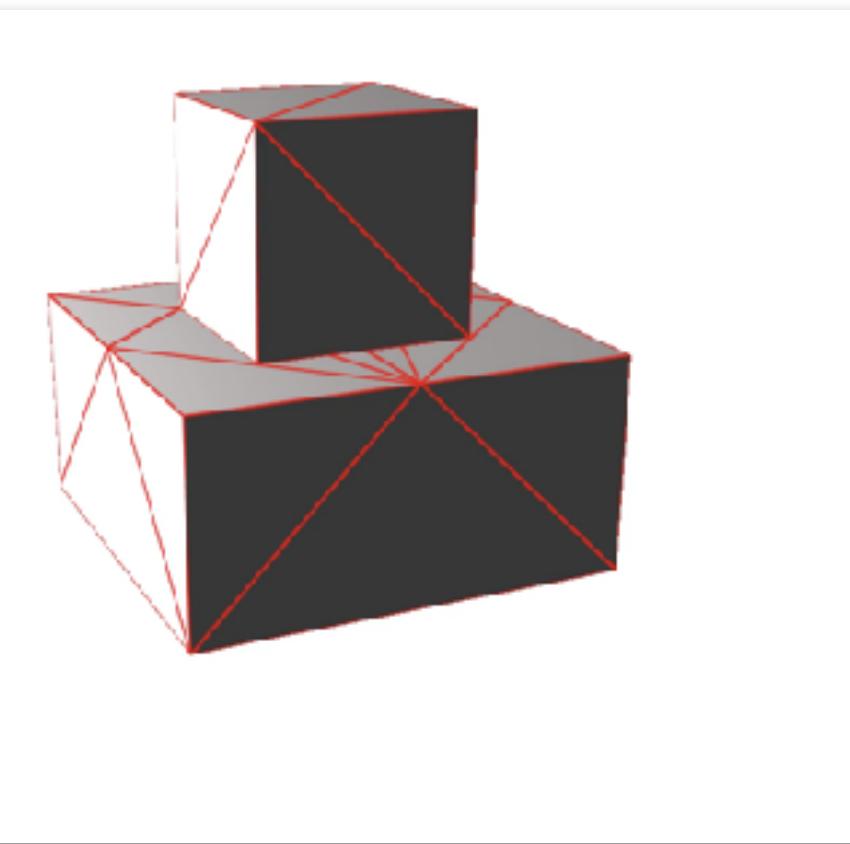
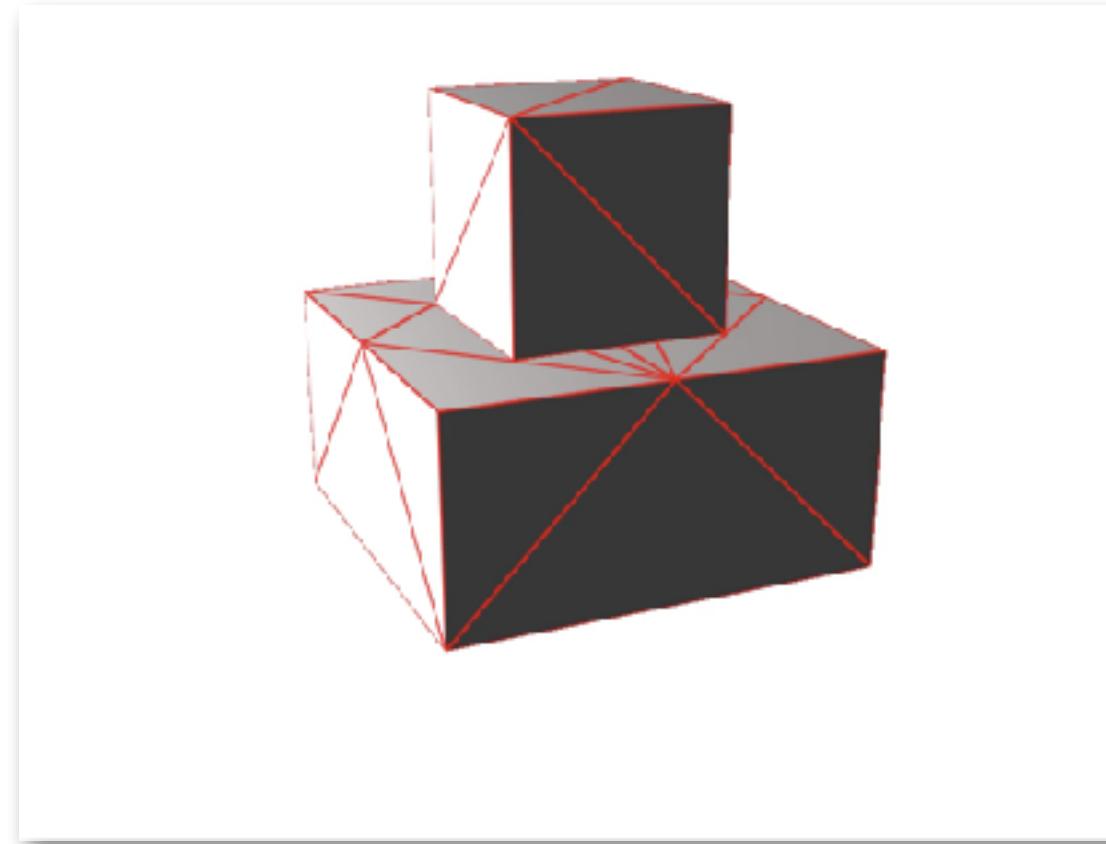
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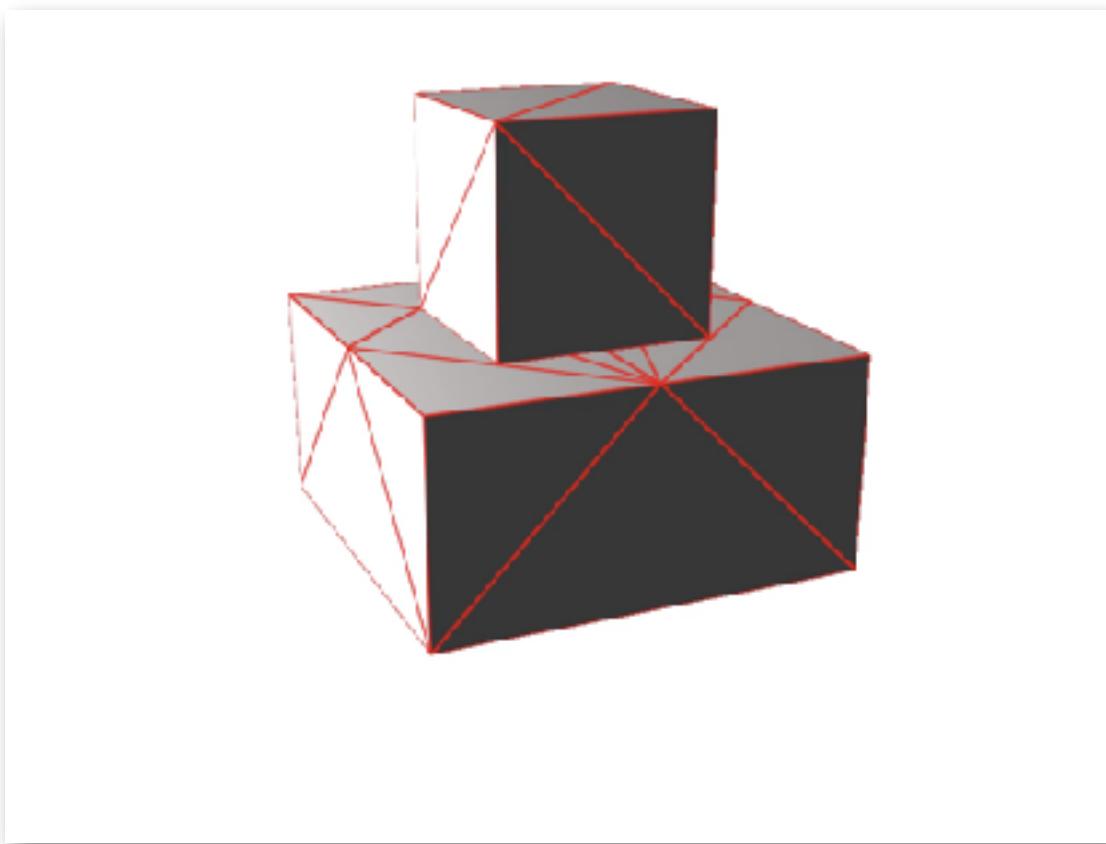
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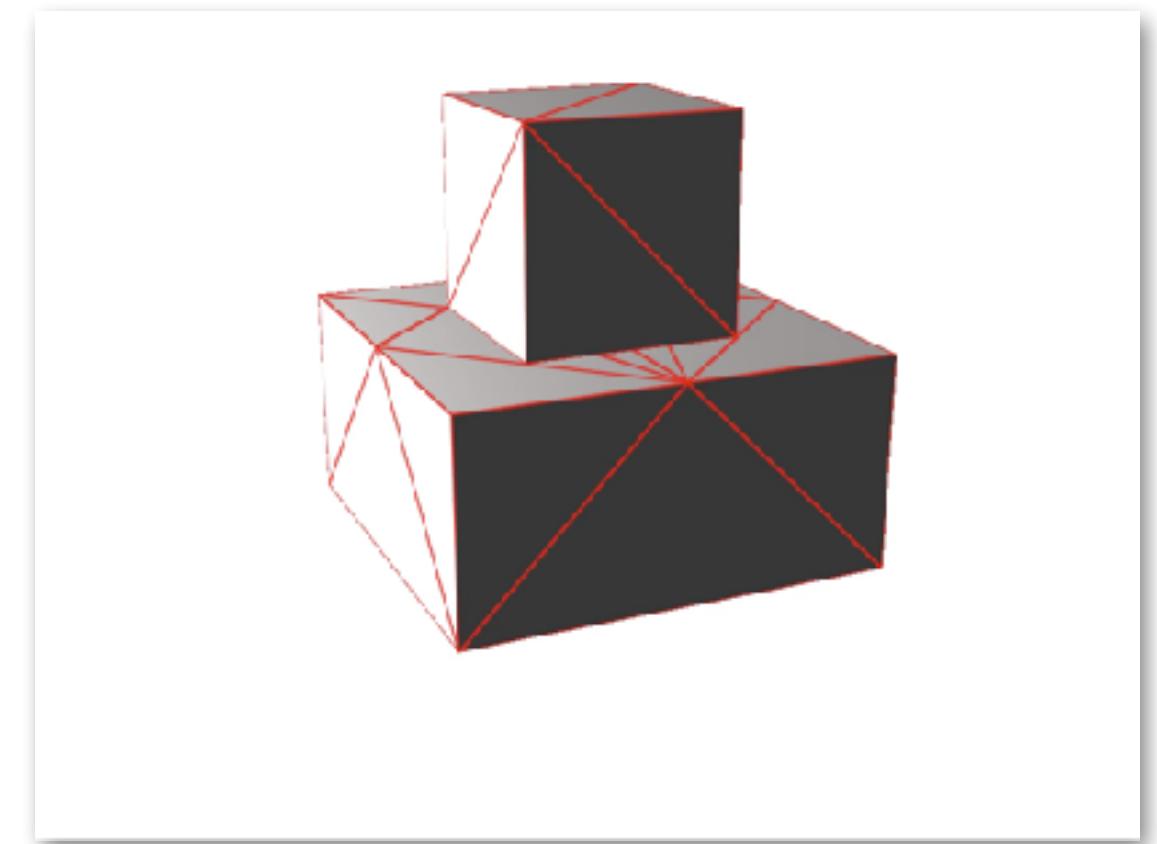
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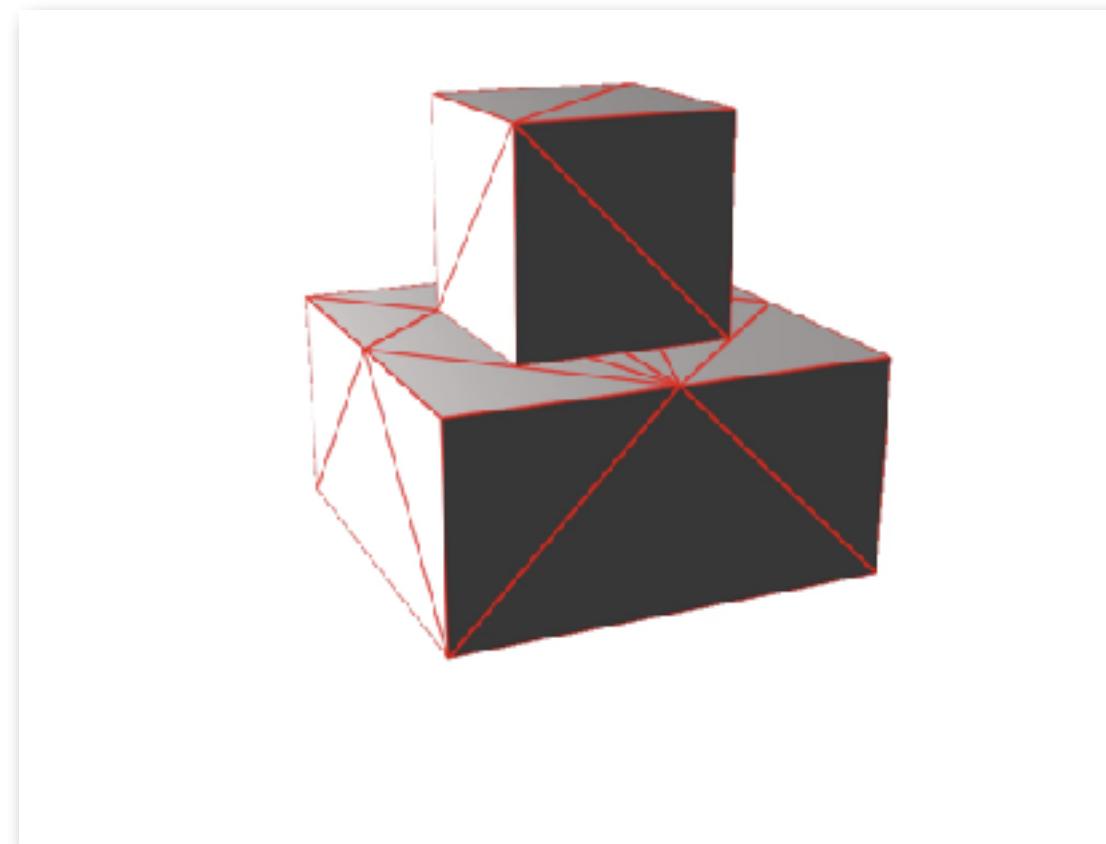
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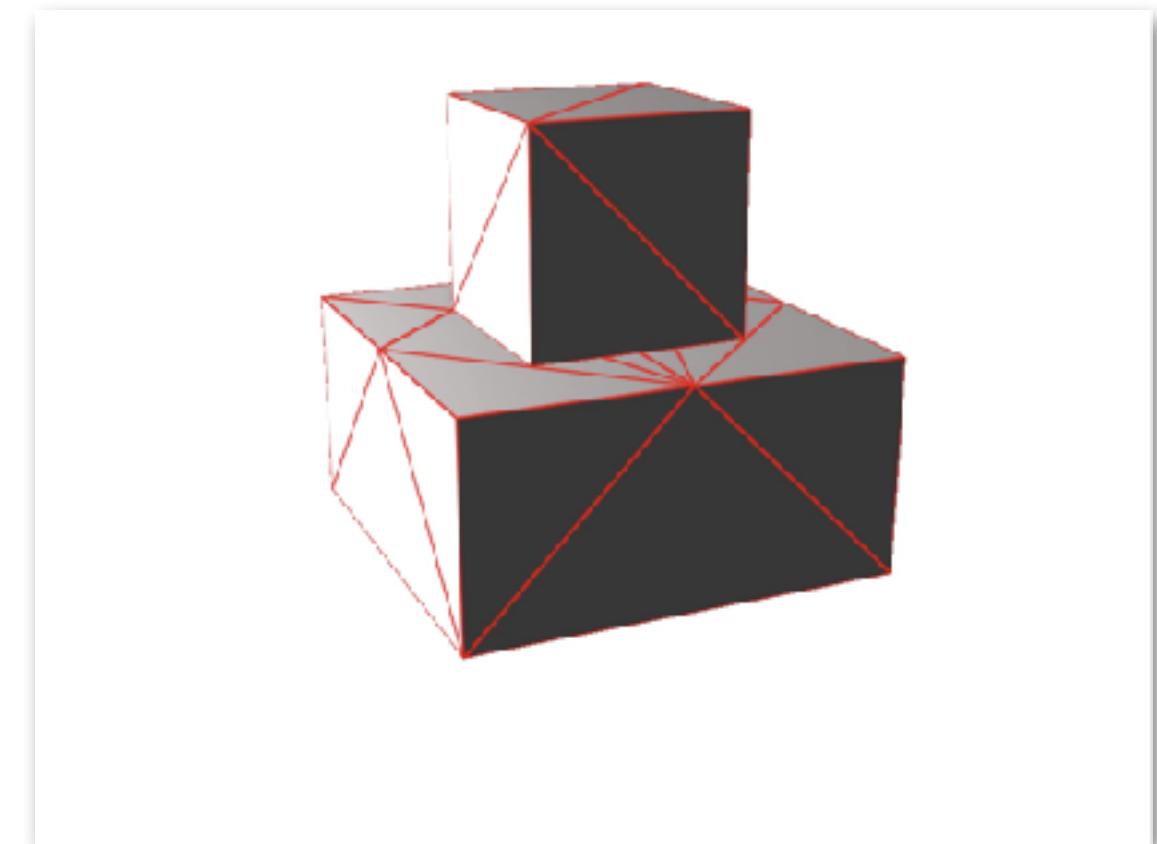
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Intersection



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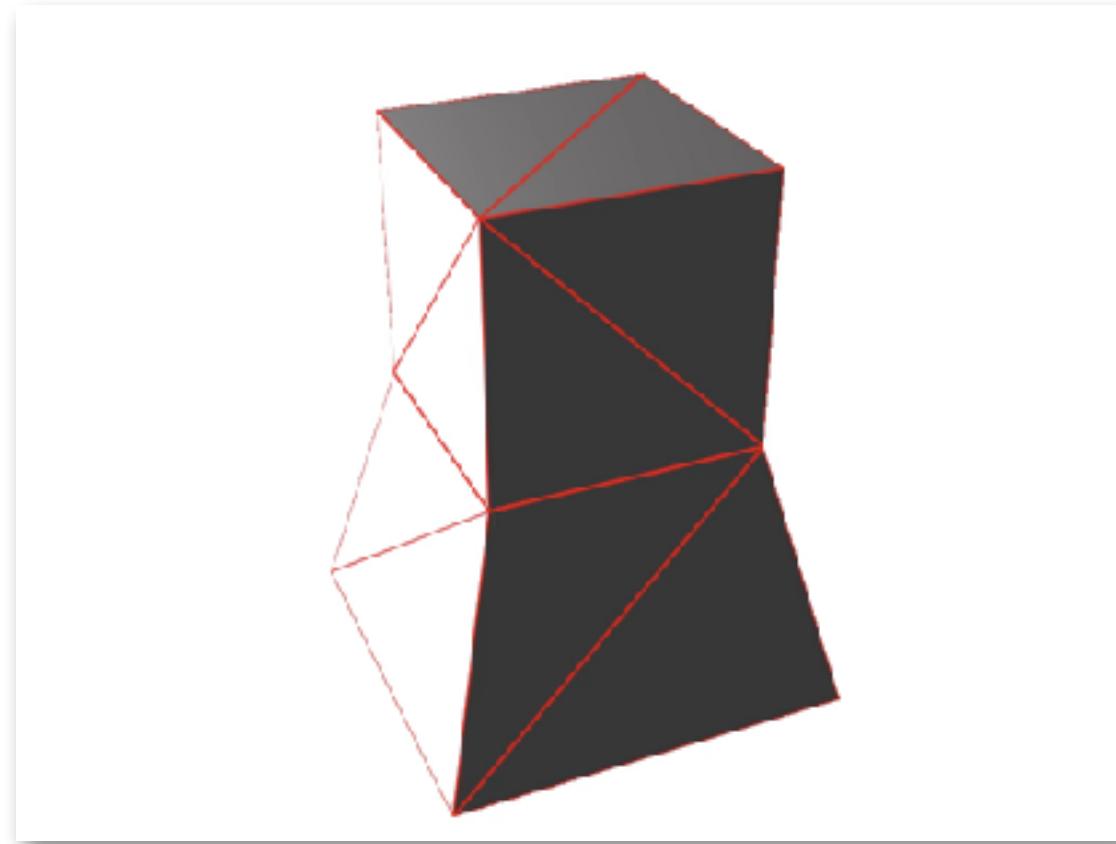


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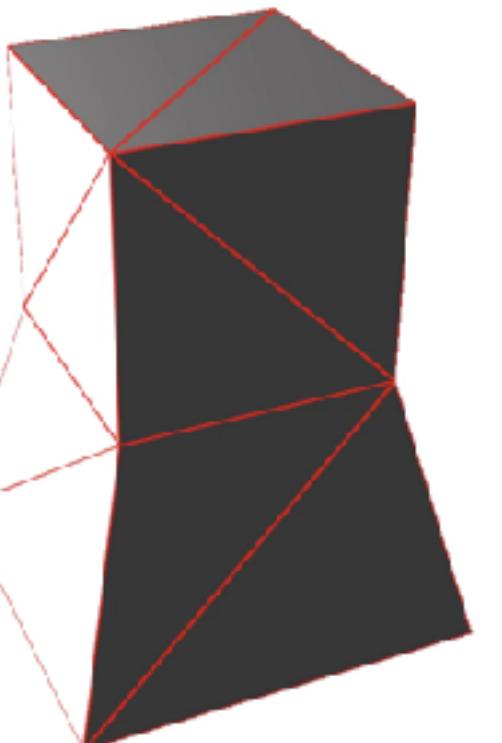
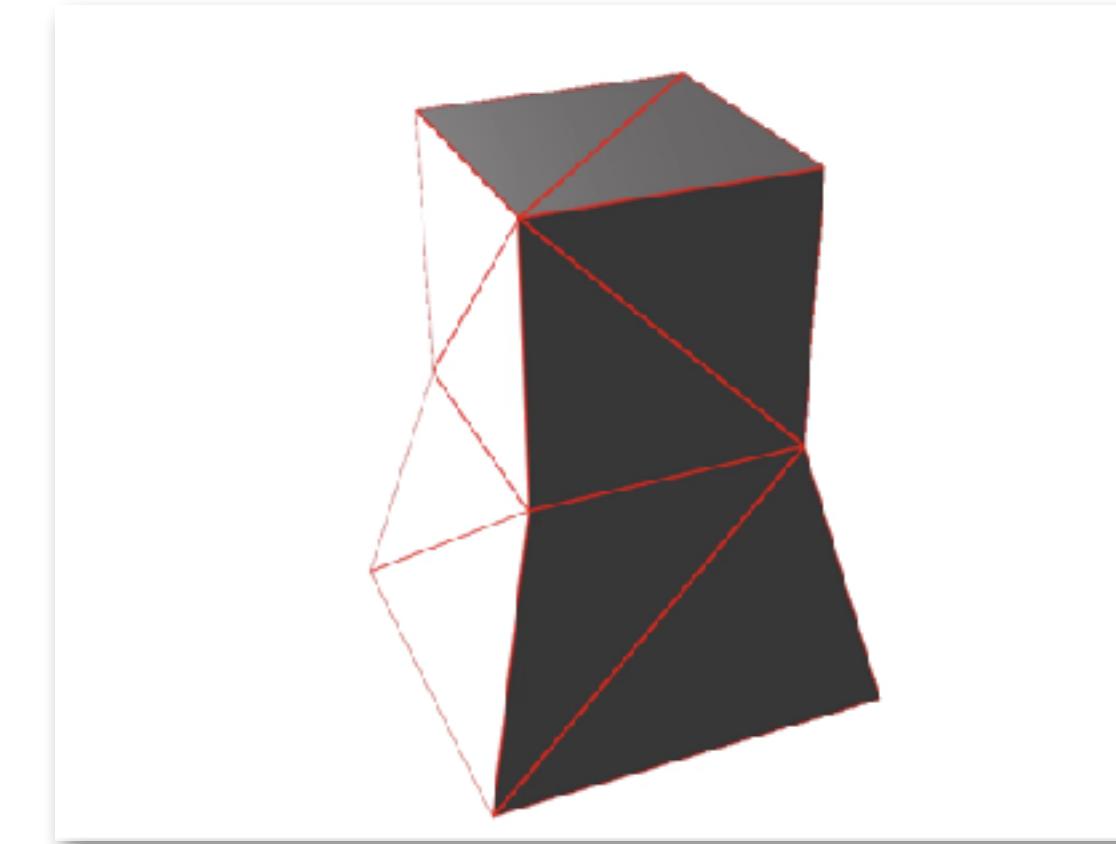
CLIFF EDGES

Closest points

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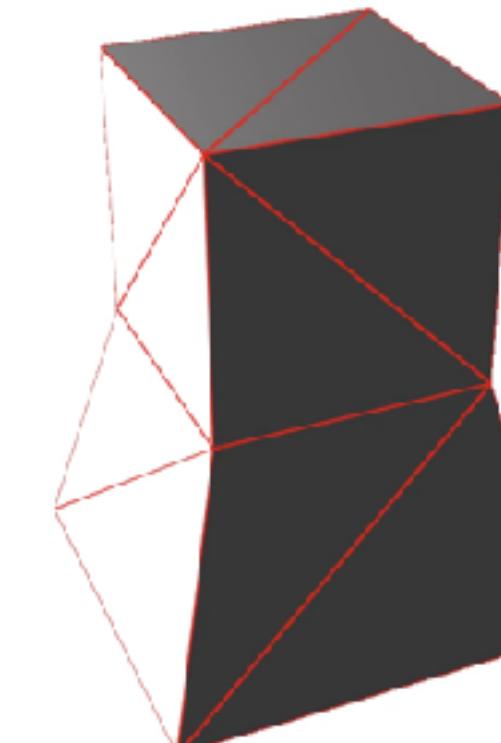


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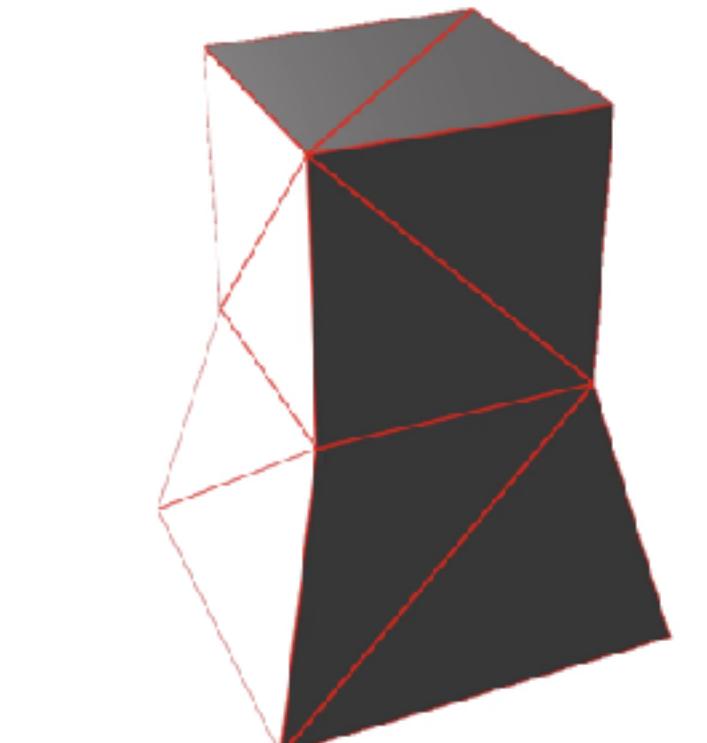
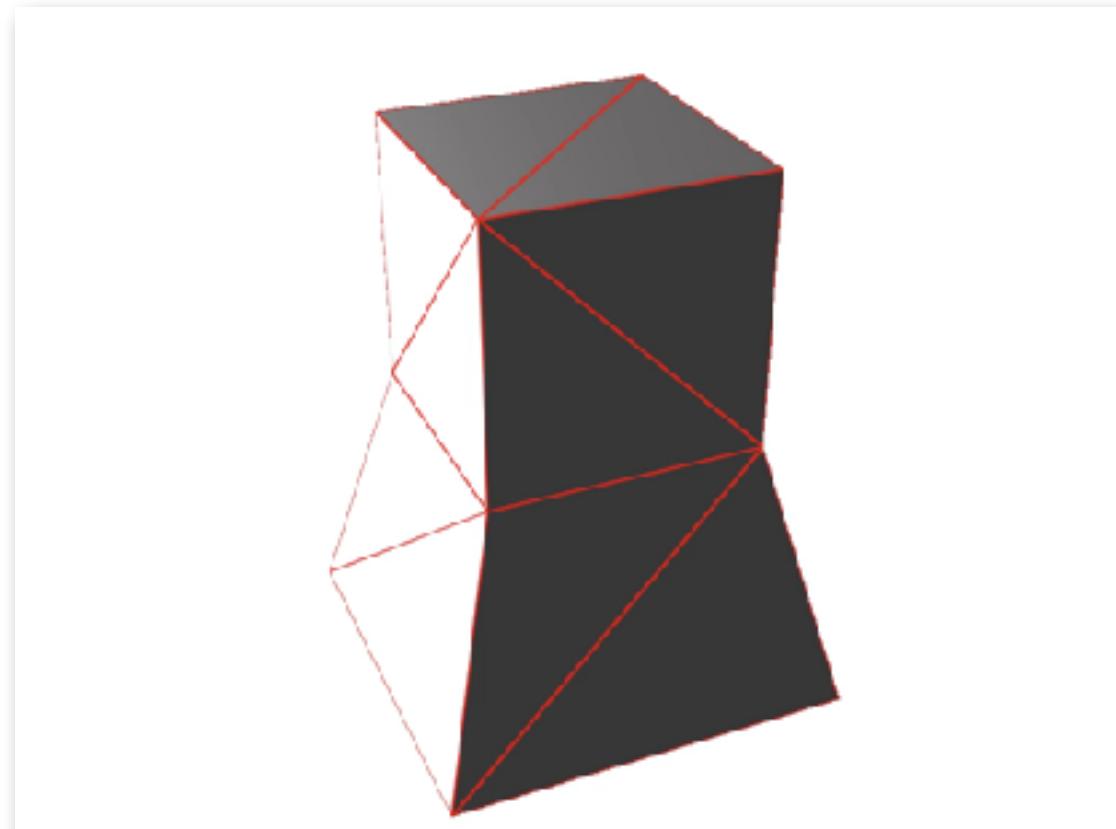


Opposing

Surface SAT



Vertex only



Volume SAT

Method Name	Spike in crack	Spike in hole	Wedge in crack	Sliding spike	Sliding wedge	Spikes	Spike and wedge	Wedges	Cliff edges	Internal edges
	Coverage (%)									
Closest points	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Intersection	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Vertex only	50.0	0.0	50.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Consistent vertex	50.0	0.0	50.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Volume-SAT	50.0	25.0	50.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Surface-SAT	50.0	25.0	50.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Growth	50.0	25.0	50.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0
Opposing	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Quality (%)										
Closest points	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	62.5	58.3
Intersection	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.0	33.3	0.0	55.6	50.0
Vertex only	100.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	60.0	83.3
Consistent vertex	100.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	50.0	25.0	50.0	100.0
Volume-SAT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	61.5	65.2
Surface-SAT	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	70.0	83.3
Growth	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.5	63.0
Opposing	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	100.0	22.2	55.6	47.4	73.5	93.3
Excess (%)										
Closest points	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	10.0	3.0	3.5	2.0	3.0
Intersection	0.5	1.2	1.5	3.0	0.5	20.0	6.0	5.5	2.2	3.0
Vertex only	0.5	(*)	0.5	1.0	0.5	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.5
Consistent vertex	0.5	(*)	0.5	1.0	0.5	4.0	2.0	2.0	1.5	1.0
Volume-SAT	2.0	1.8	2.2	5.0	1.0	14.0	9.0	8.5	3.2	5.8
Surface-SAT	2.0	1.8	2.2	5.0	1.0	14.0	9.0	9.0	2.5	4.5
Growth	2.0	2.2	1.5	5.0	1.0	15.0	11.0	10.5	6.0	6.8
Opposing	3.0	2.2	1.8	5.0	1.0	18.0	9.0	9.5	8.5	3.8

Results show no clear winner

Closest points and Opposing have best coverage but are not perfect

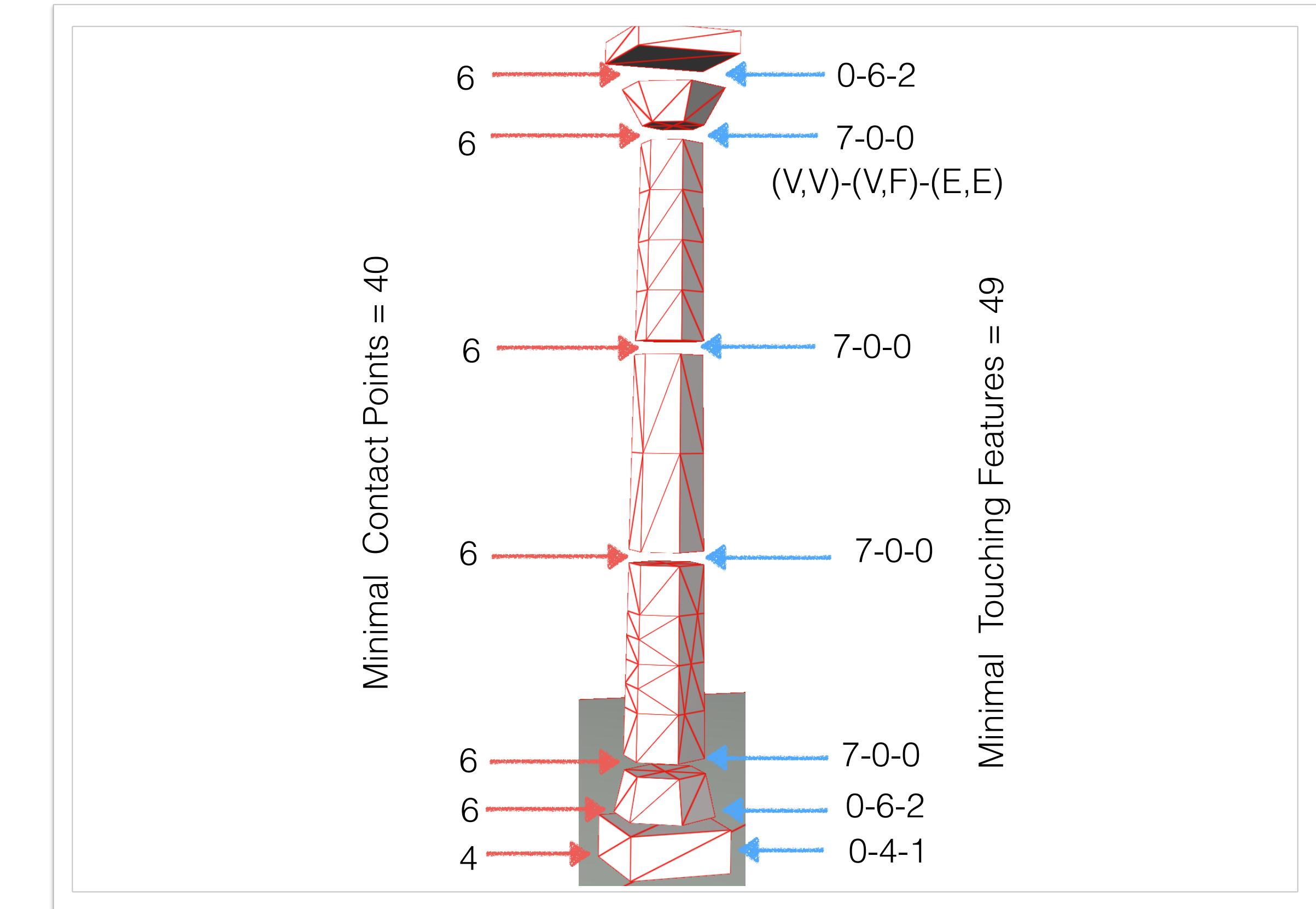
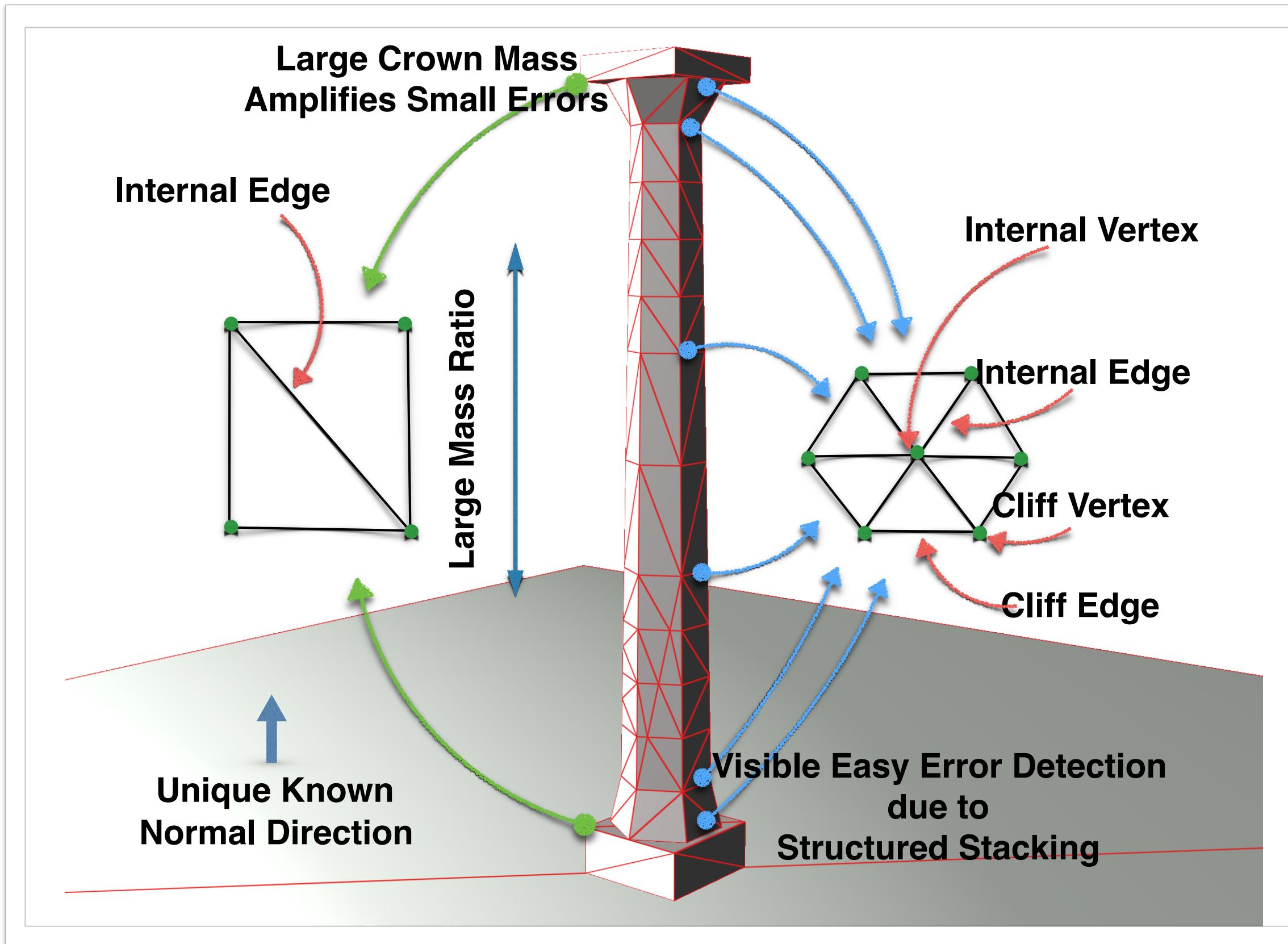
Closest points, SATs, and Growth have best normal quality but are not perfect

Closest points has best excess, Growth and Opposing can have large excess.

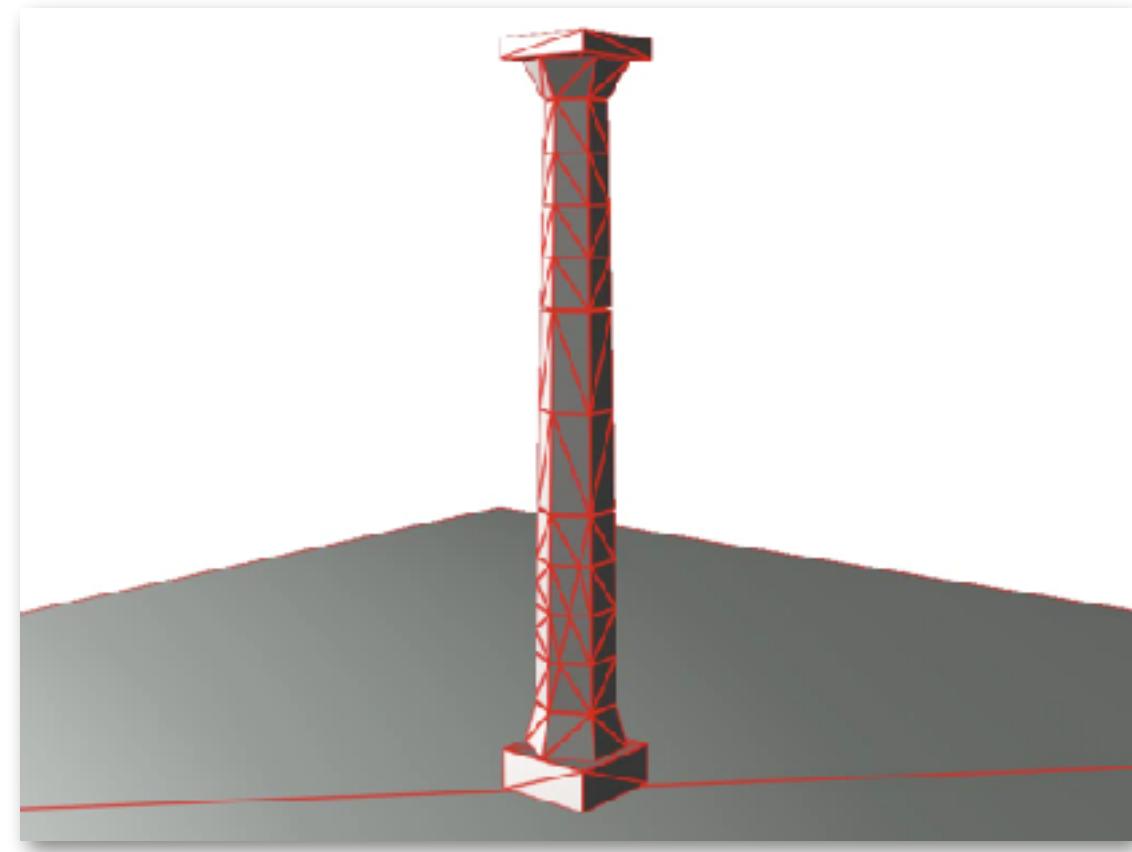


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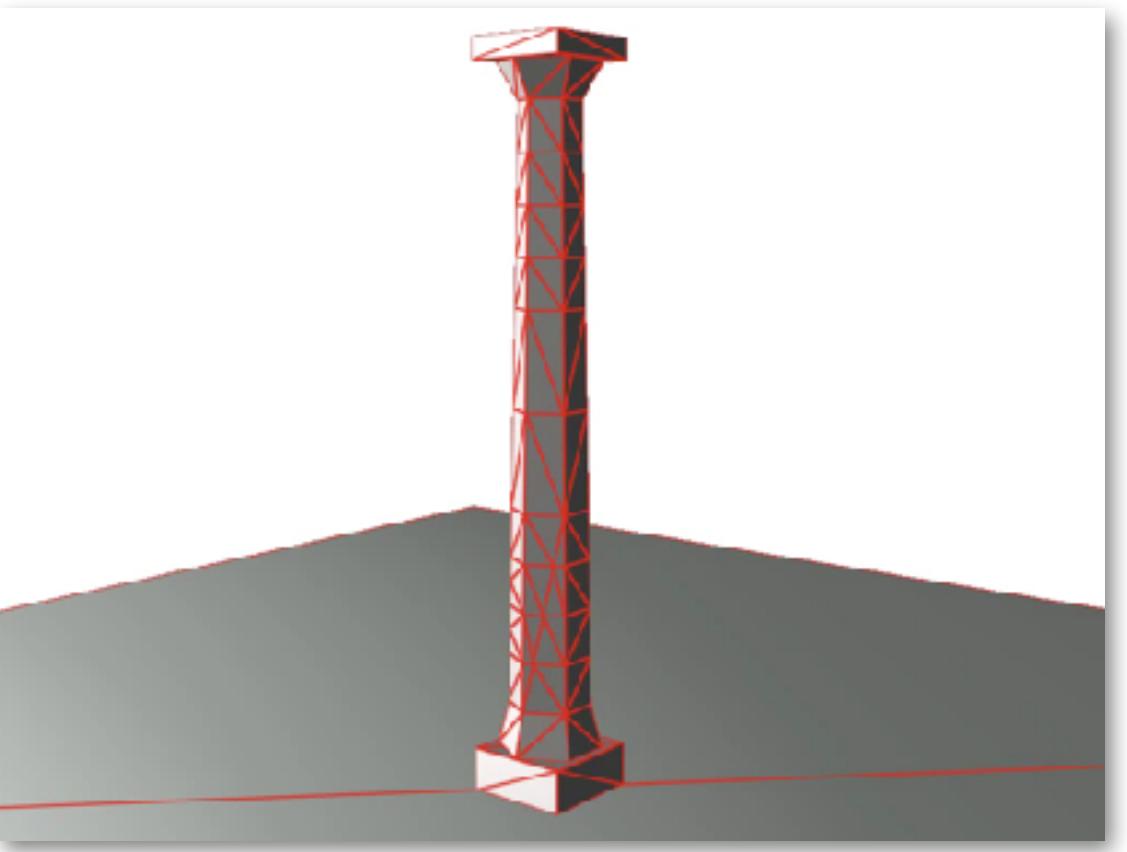
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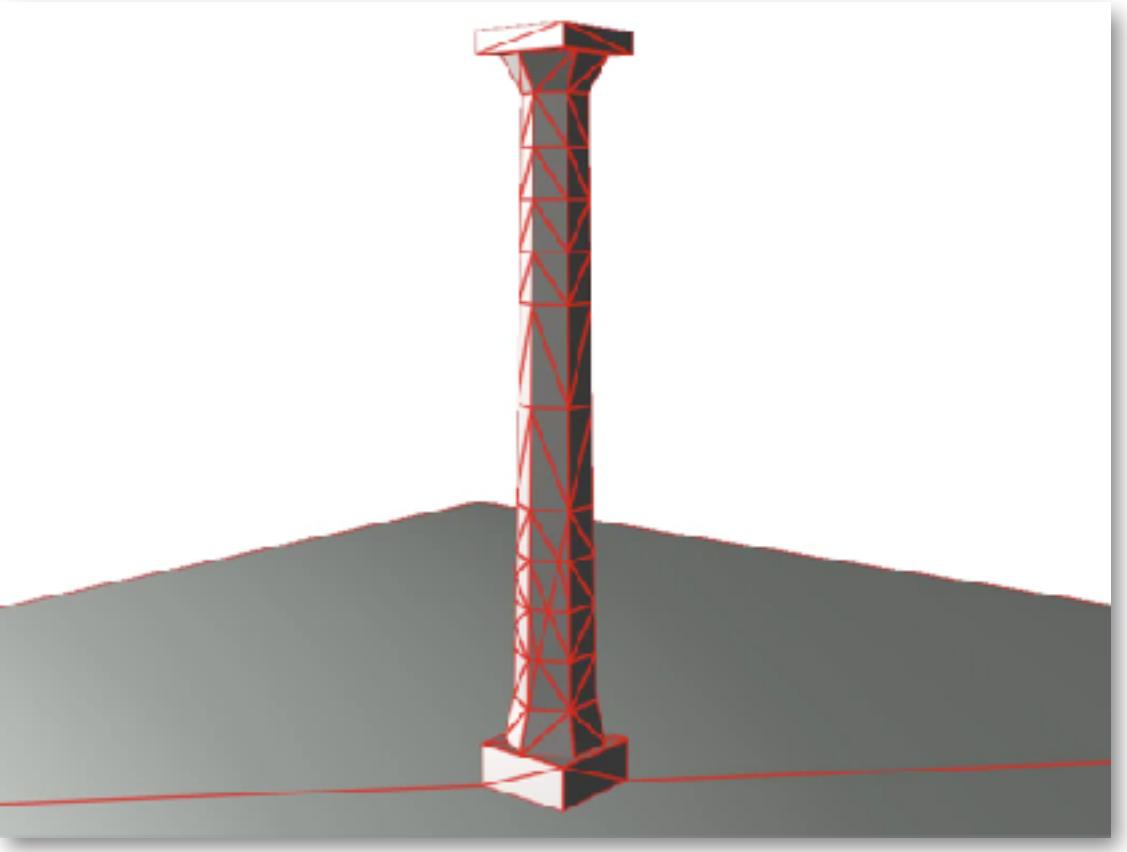
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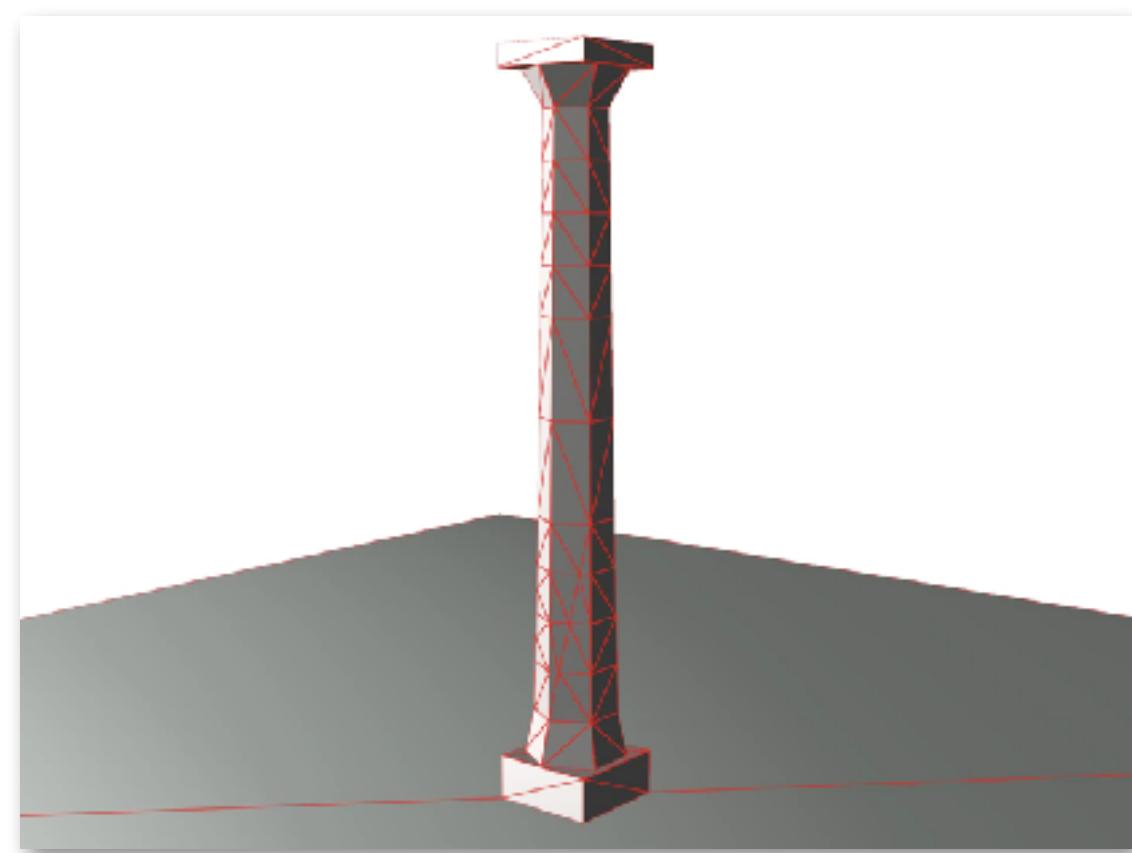
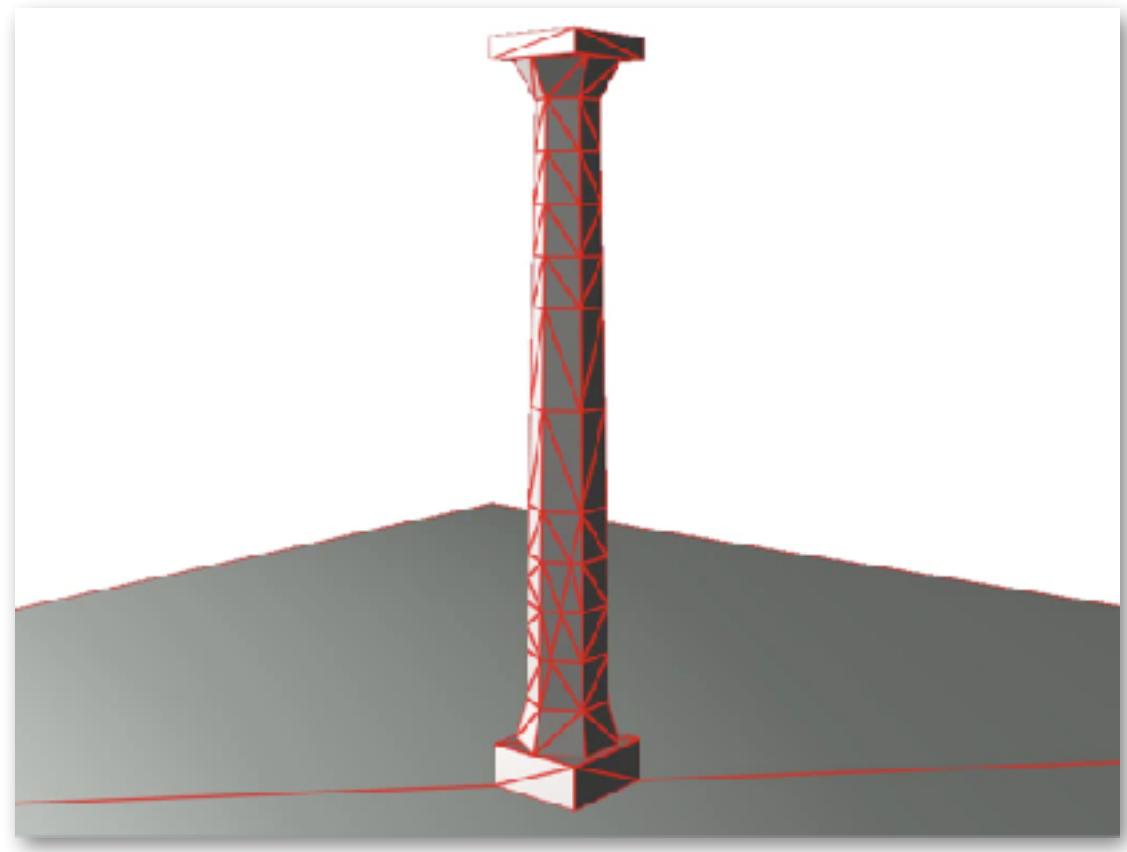
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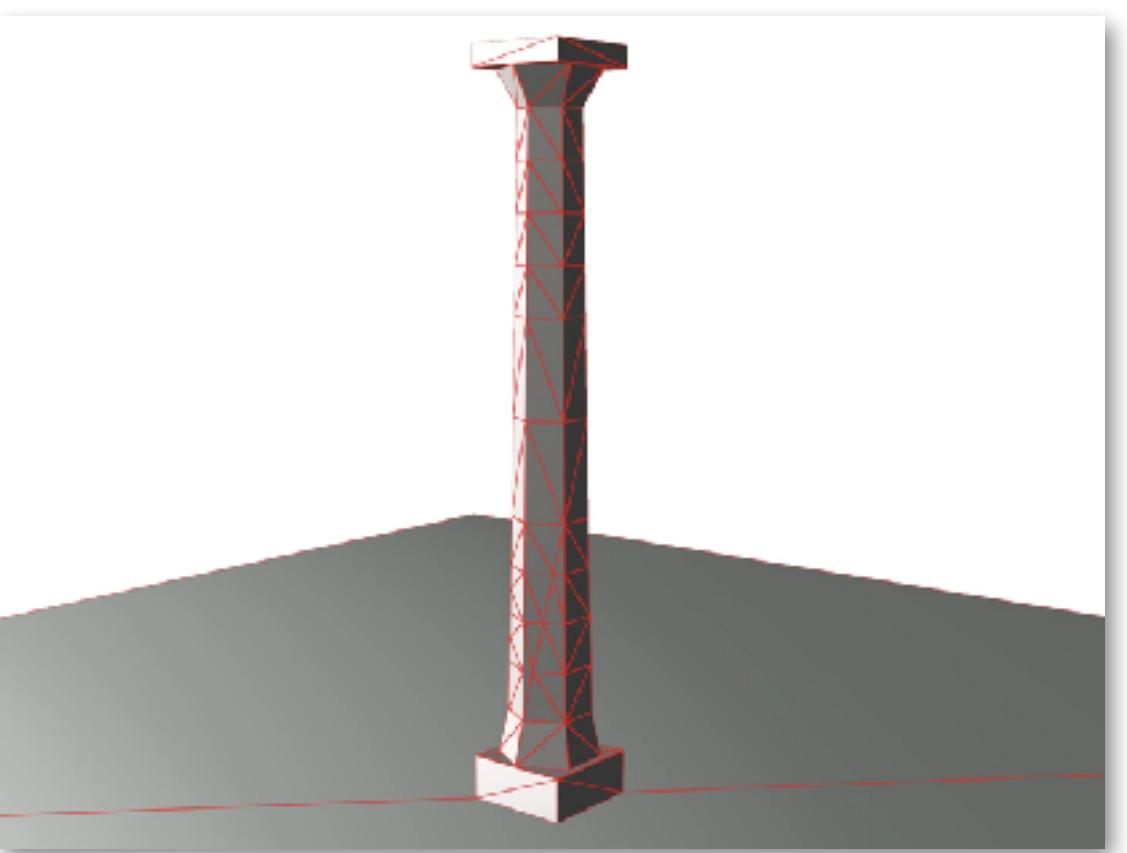
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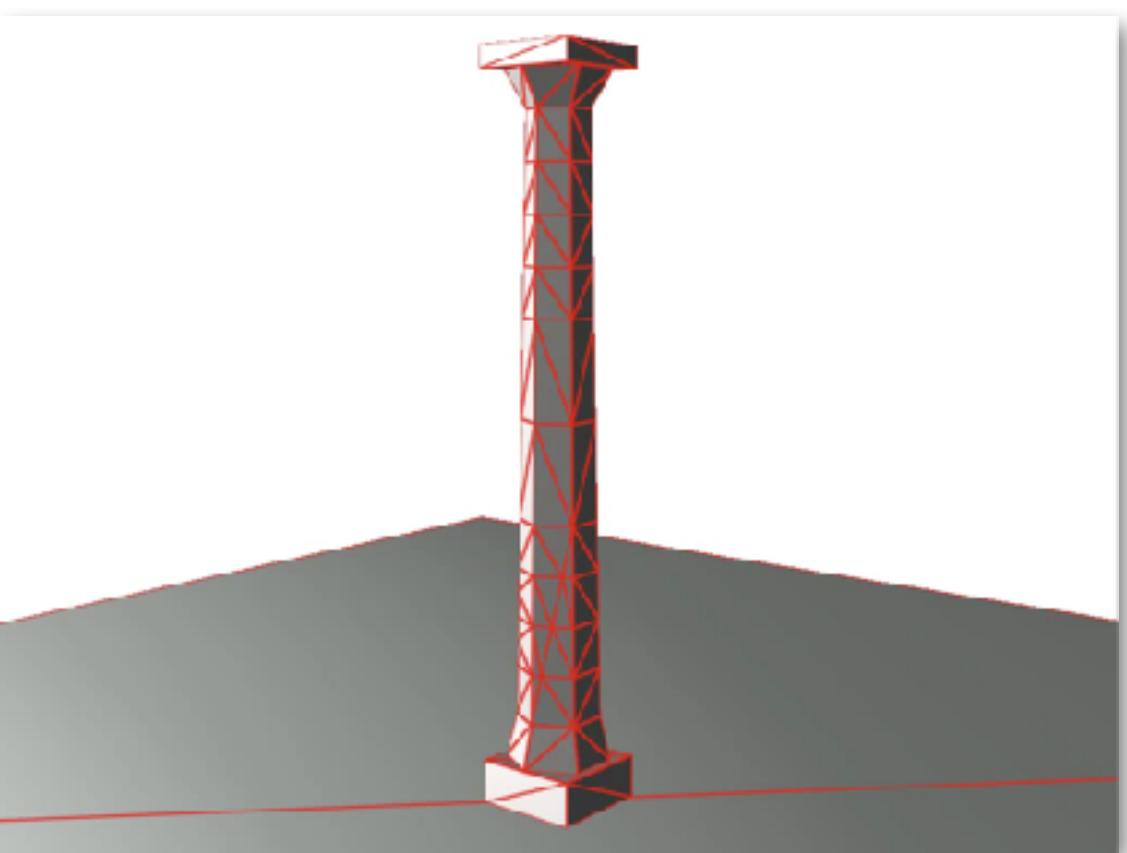
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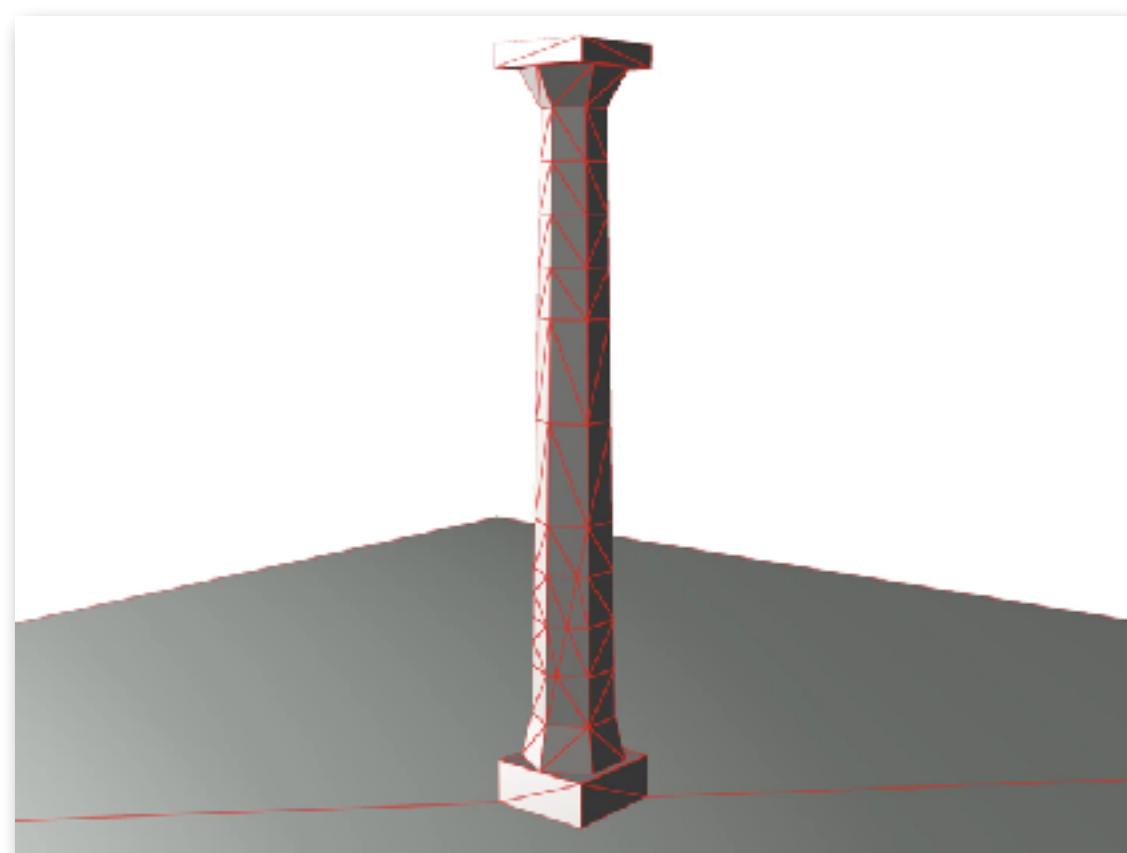
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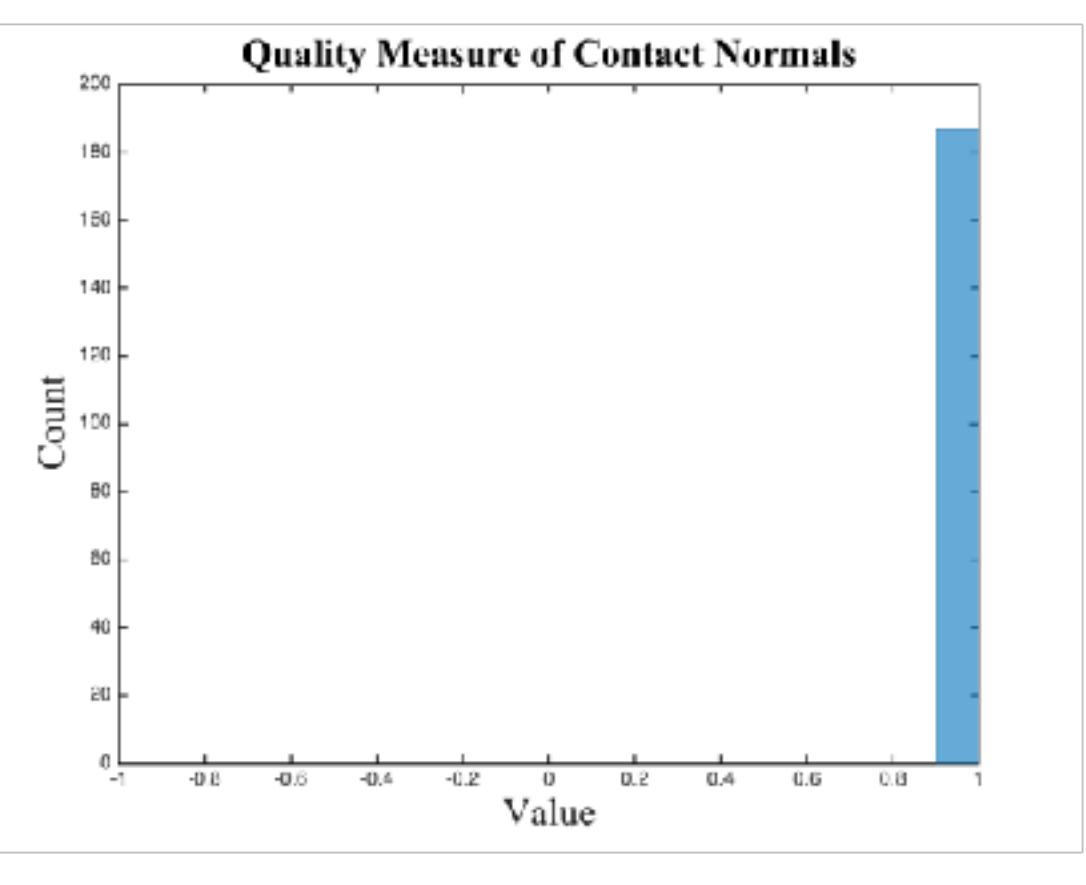


Vertex only

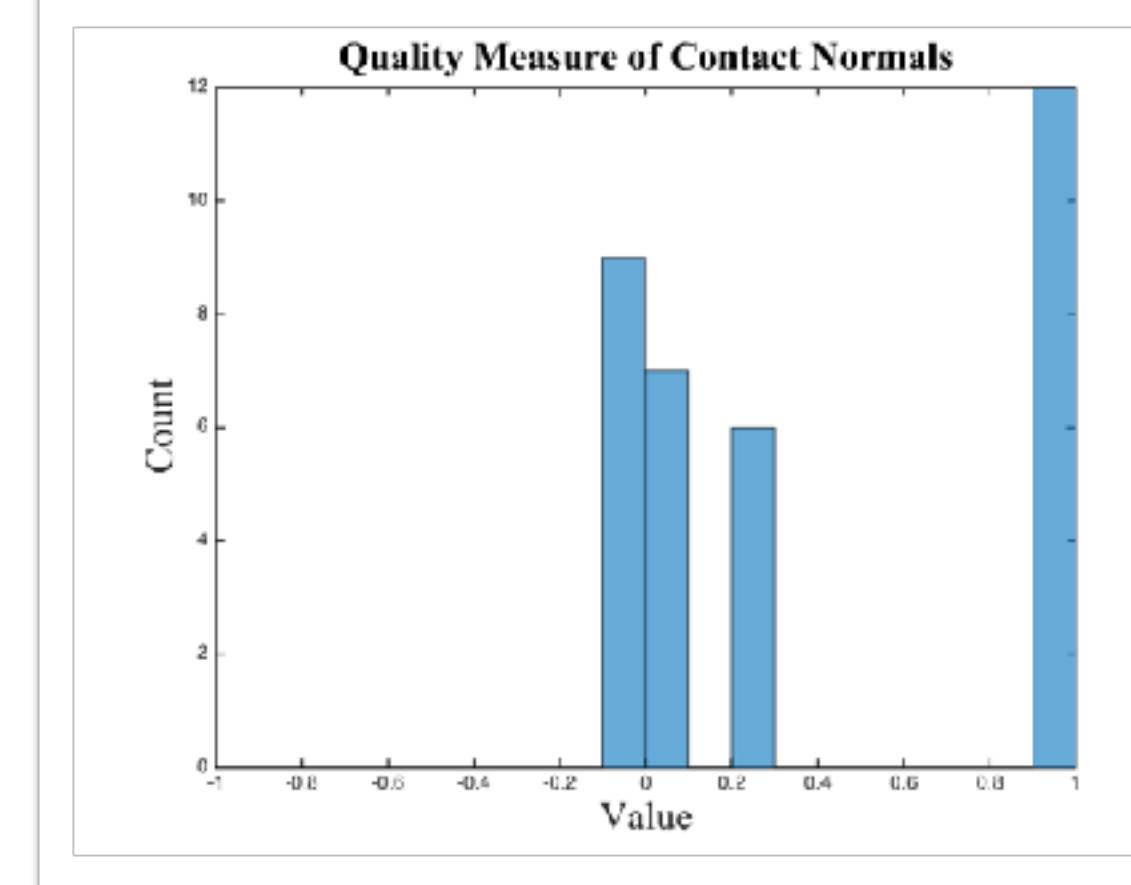


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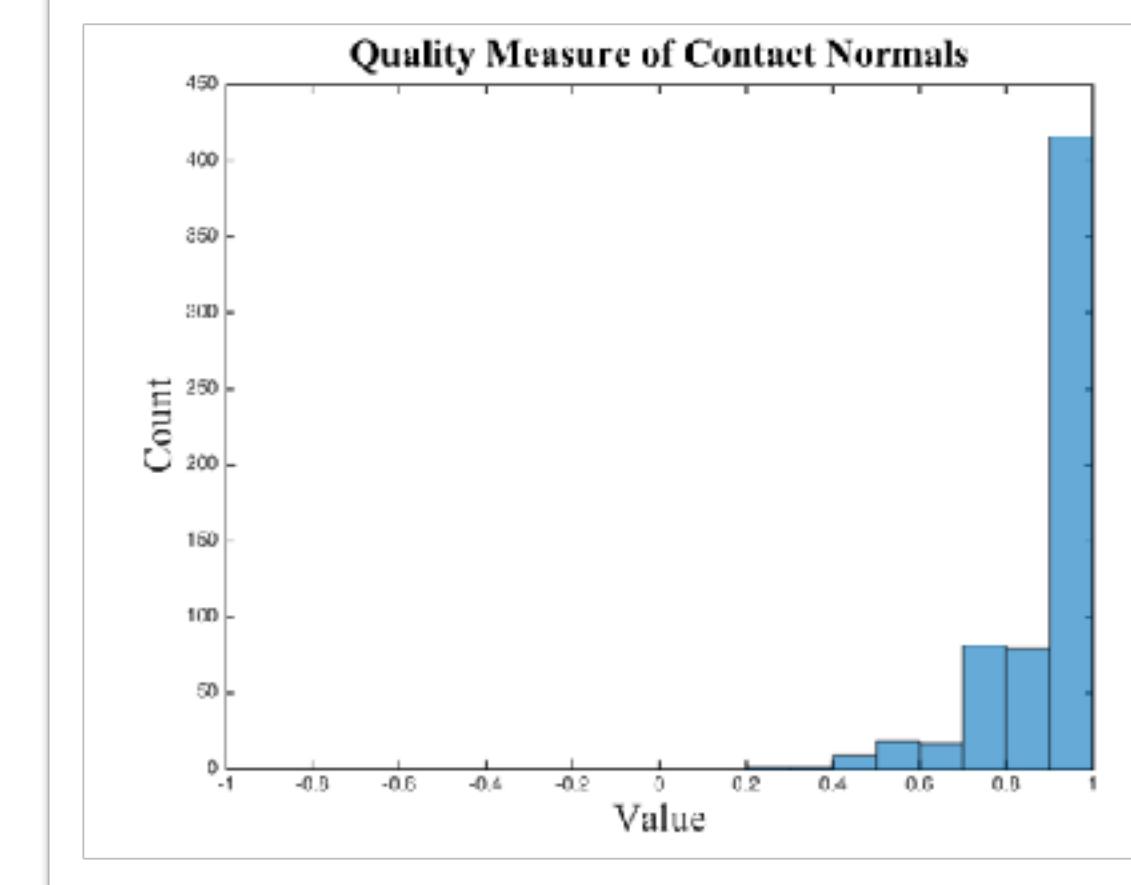
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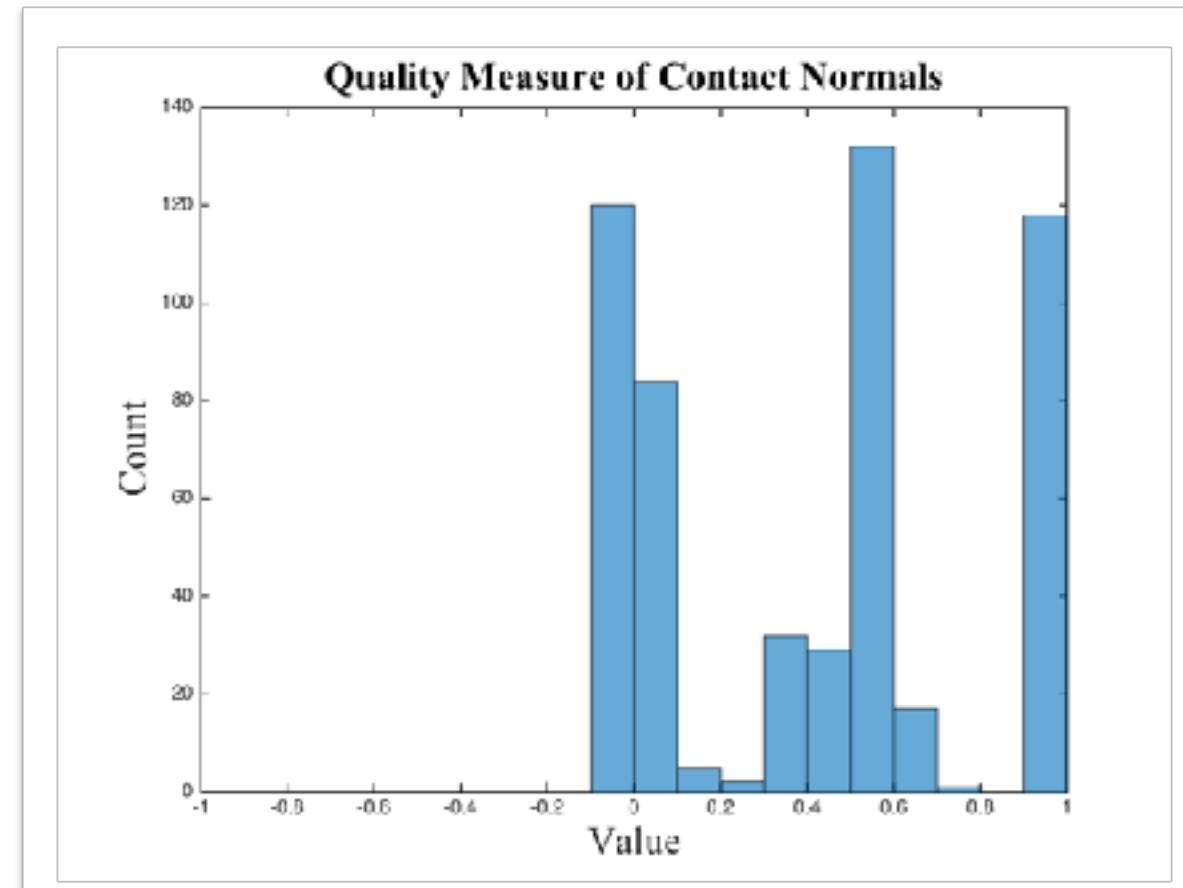
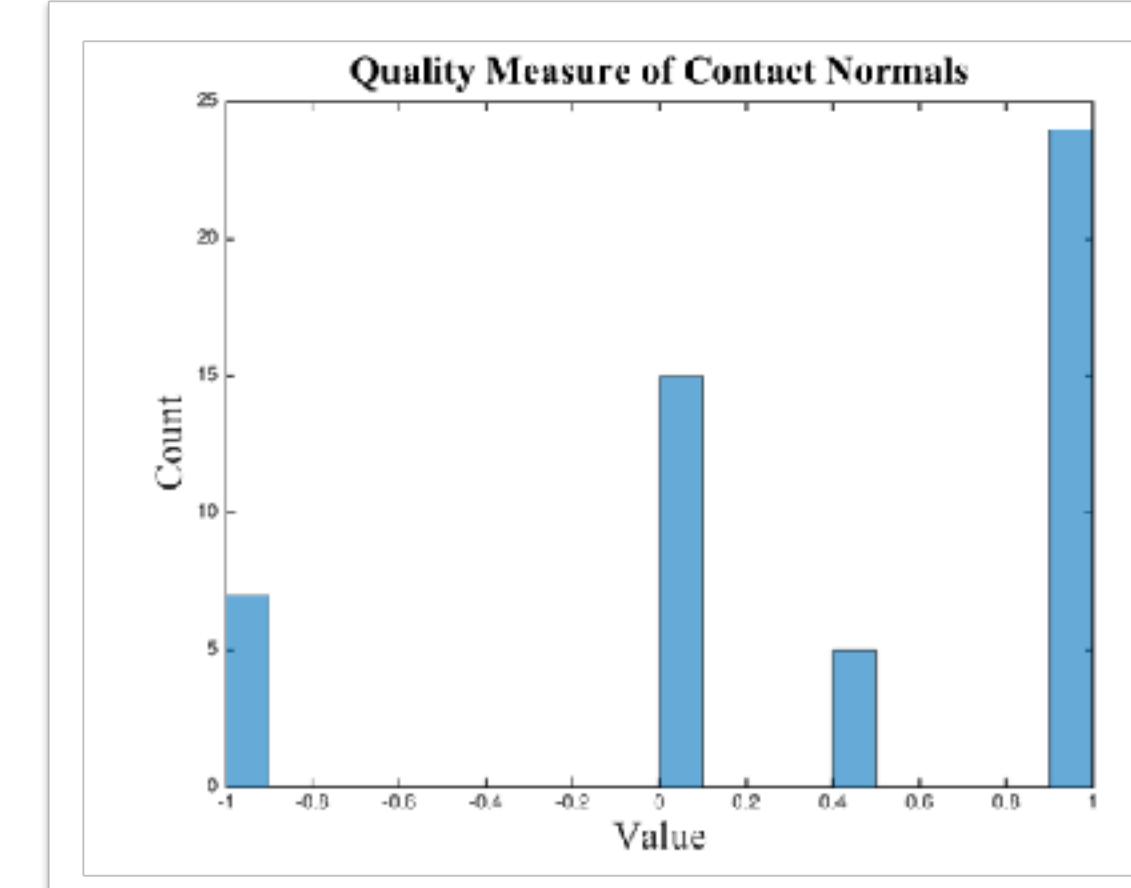
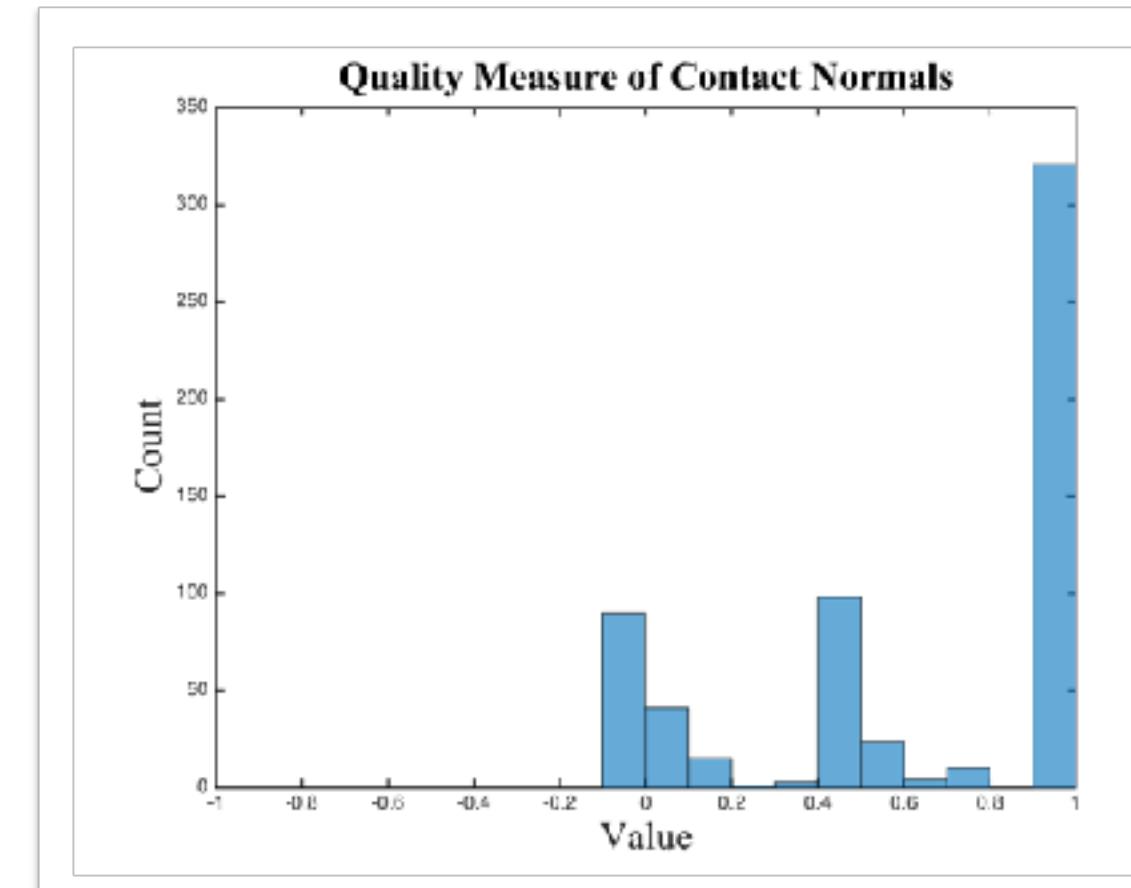
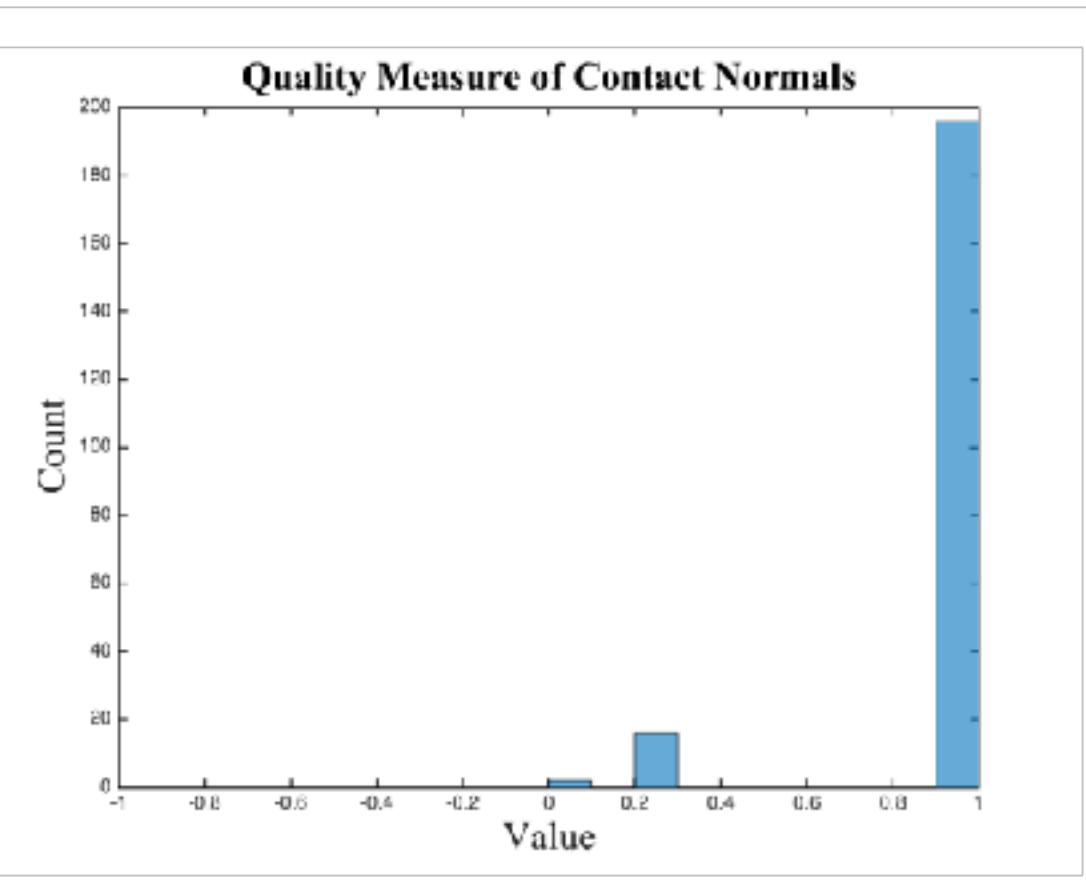
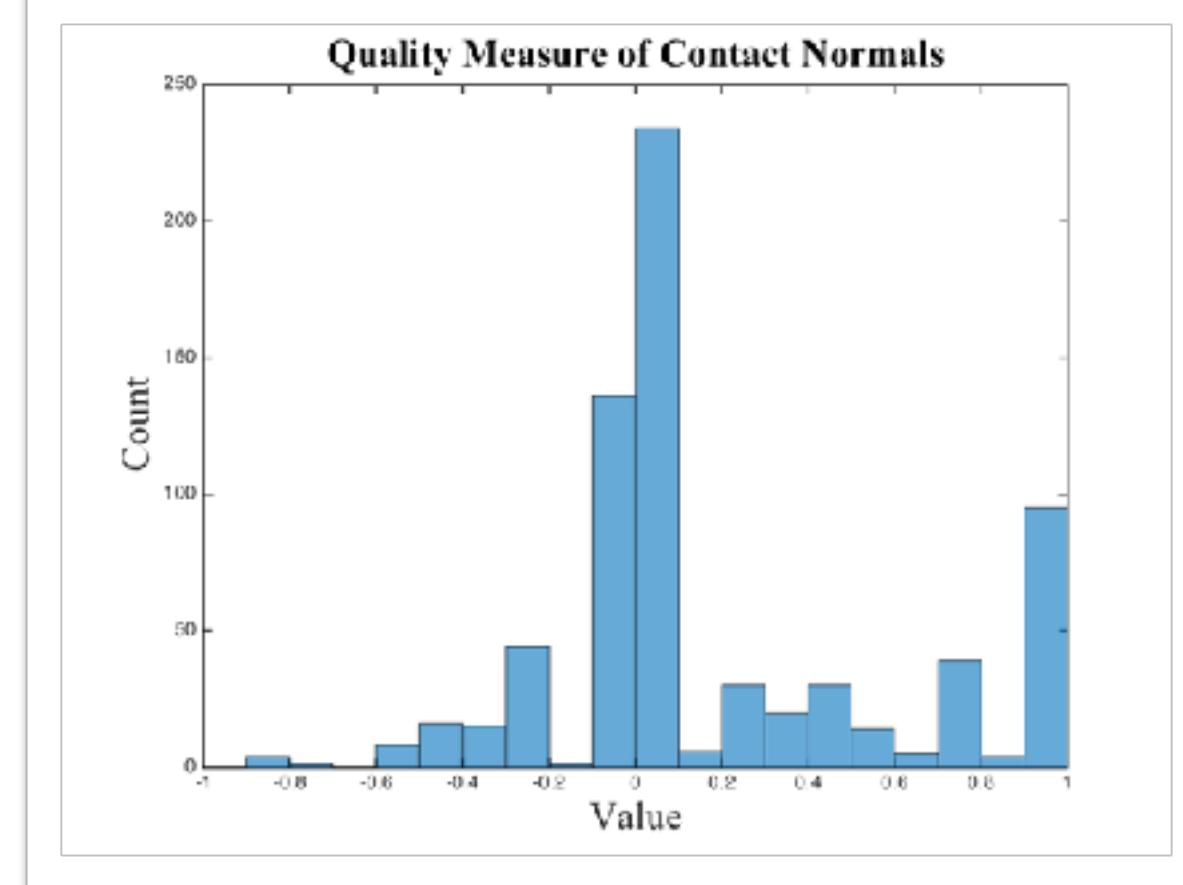
Consistent vertex



Growth



Intersection



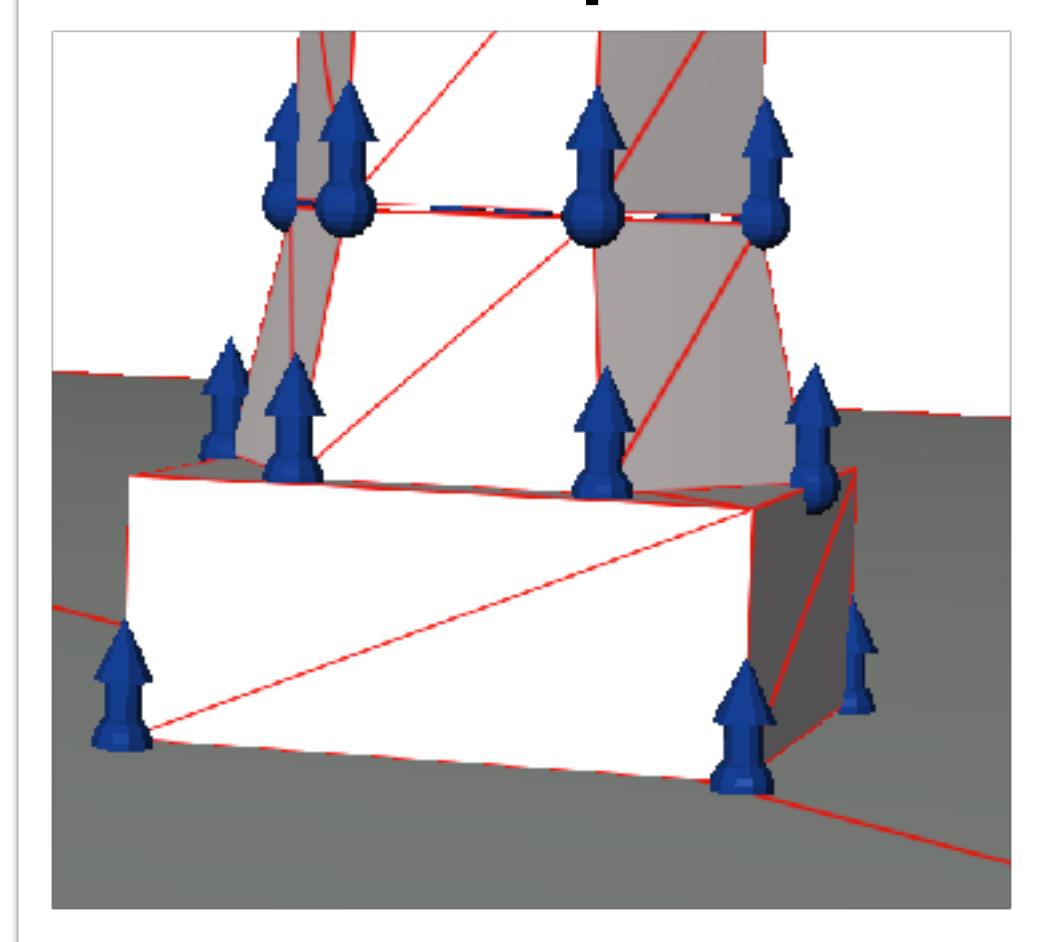
Opposing

Surface SAT

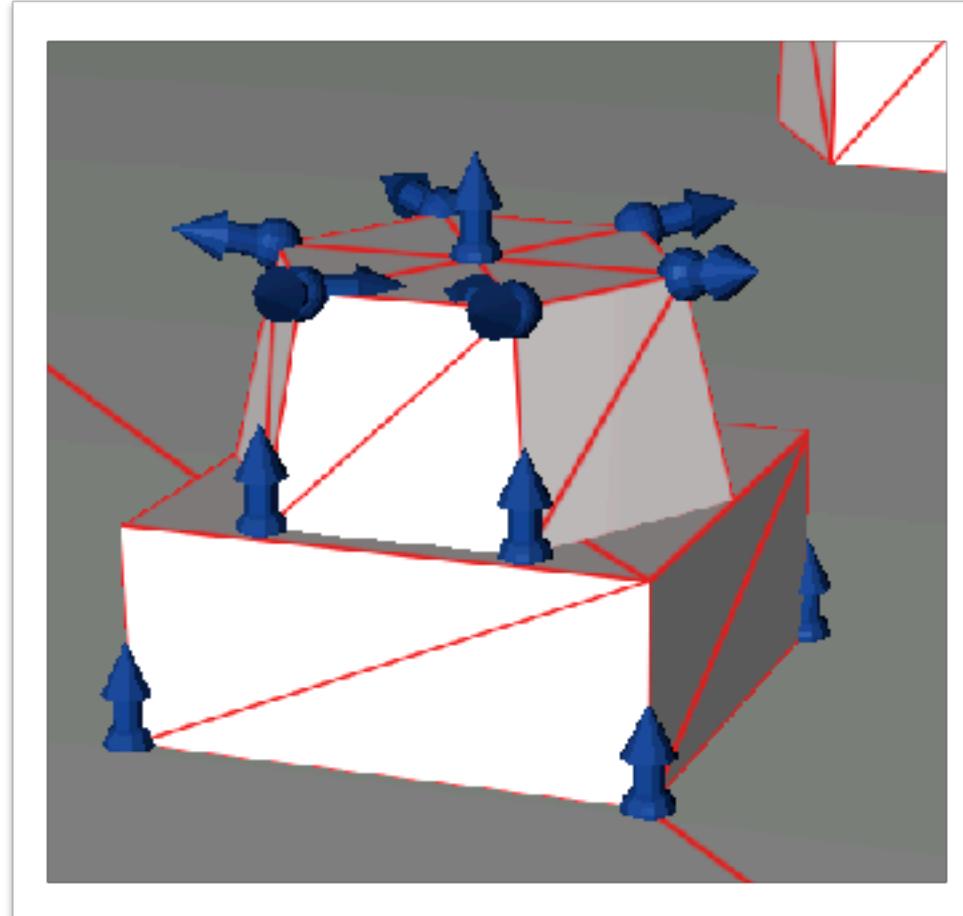
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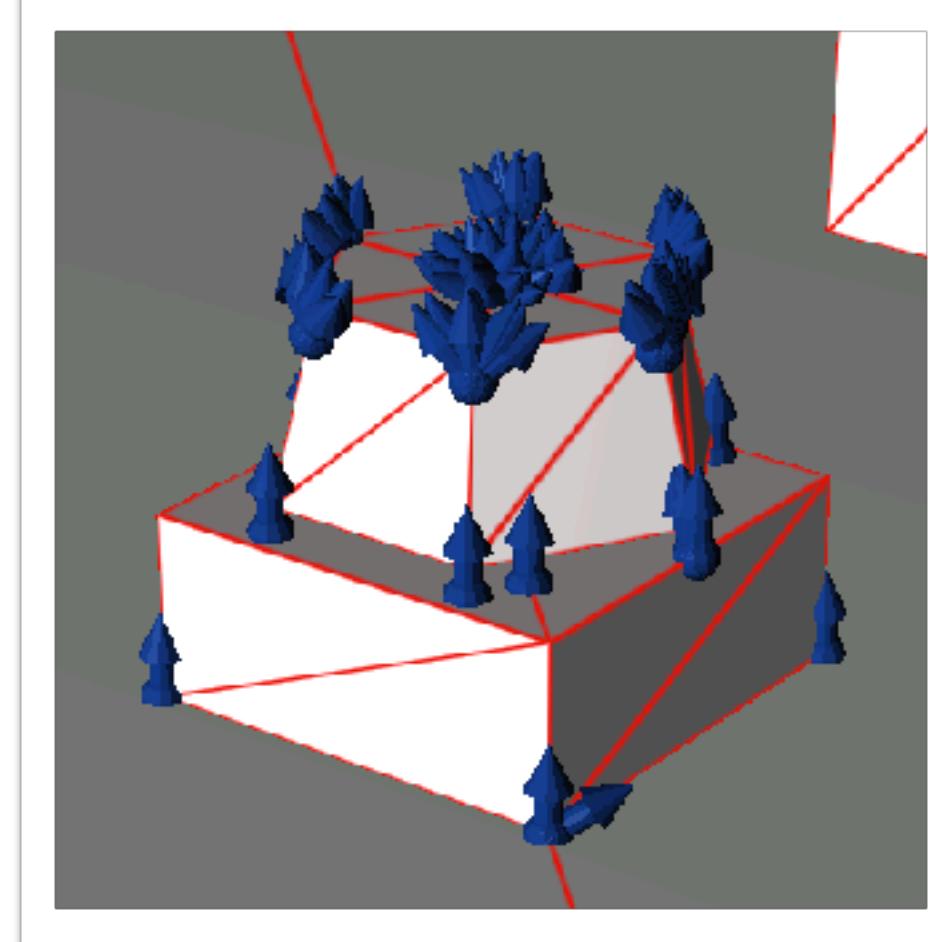
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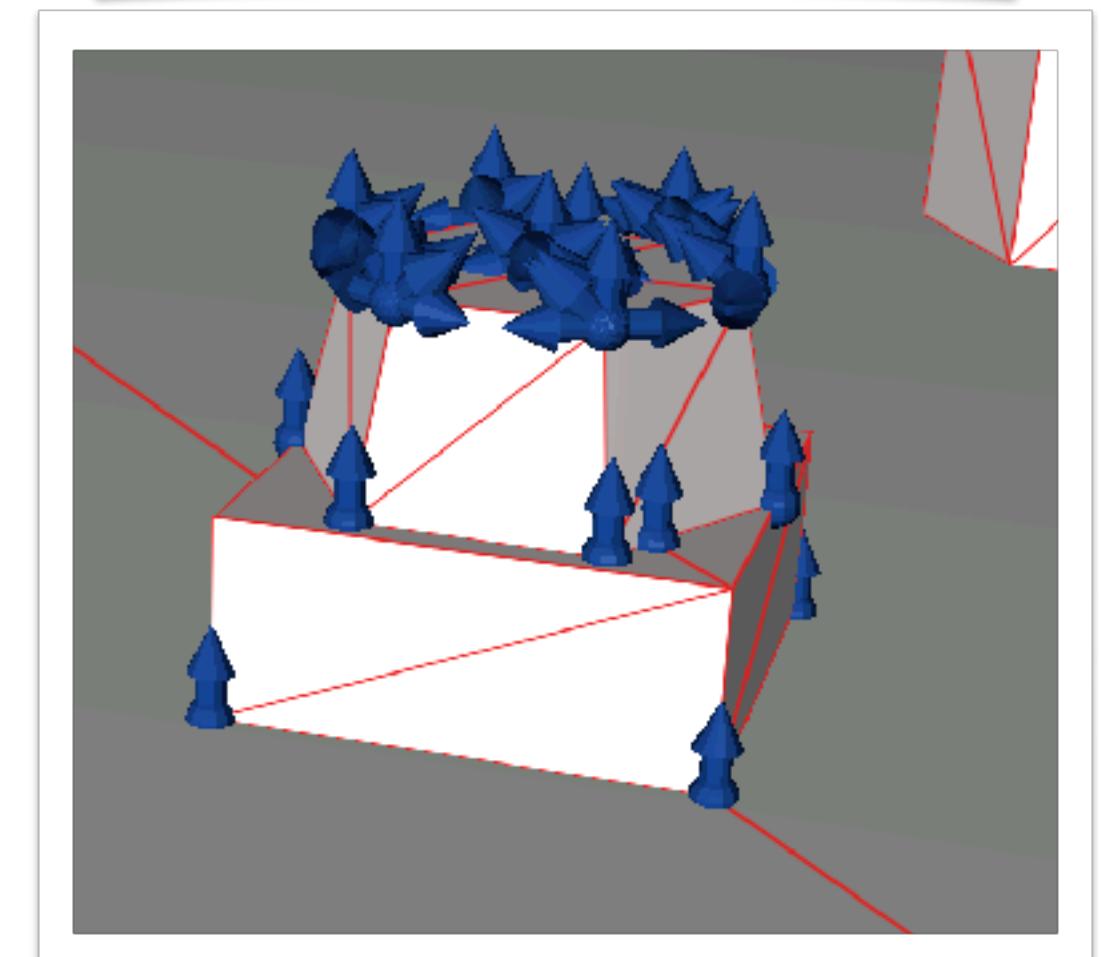
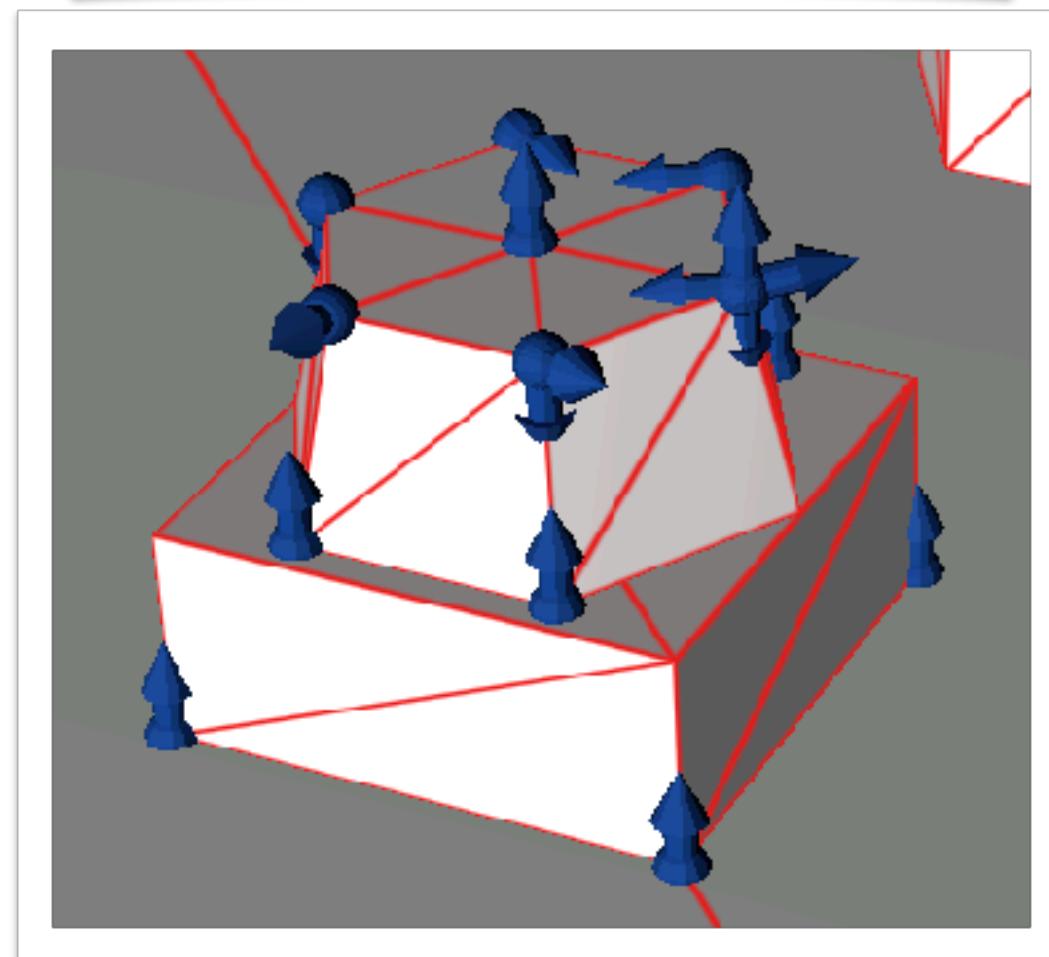
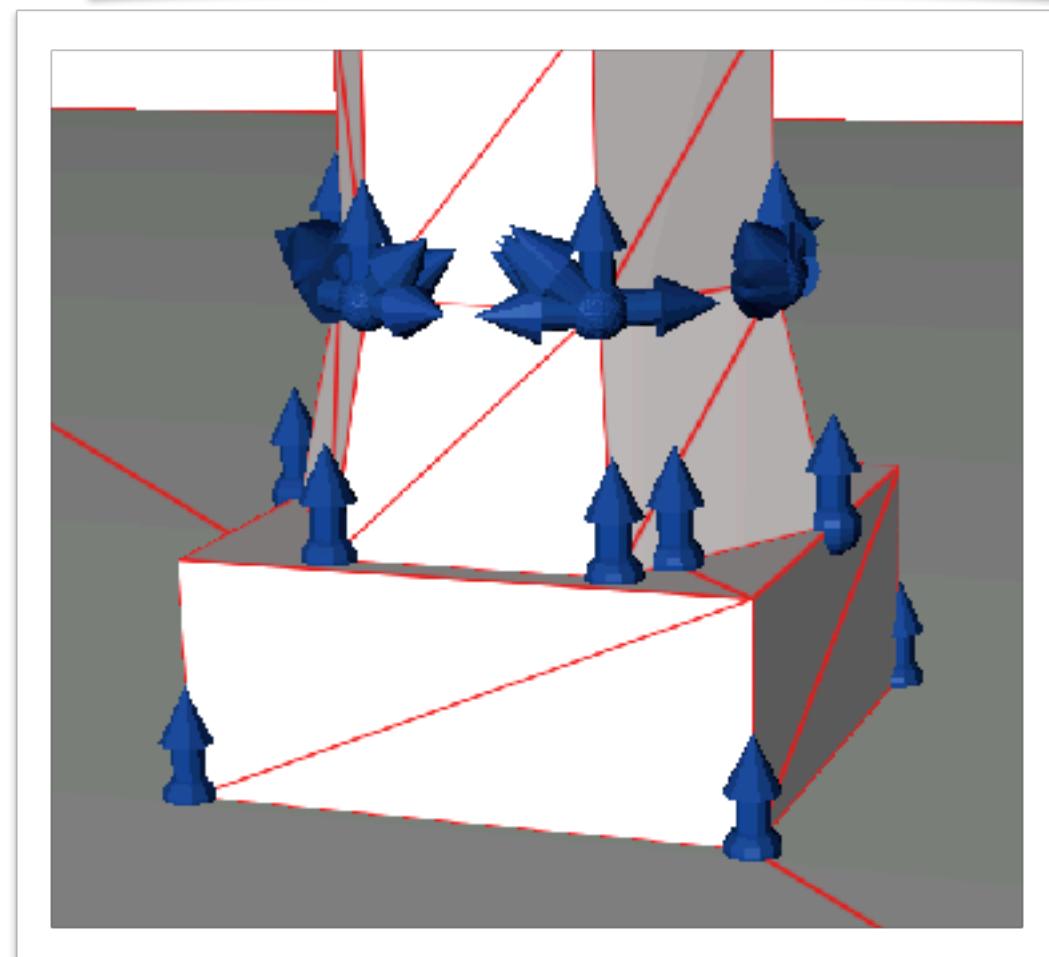
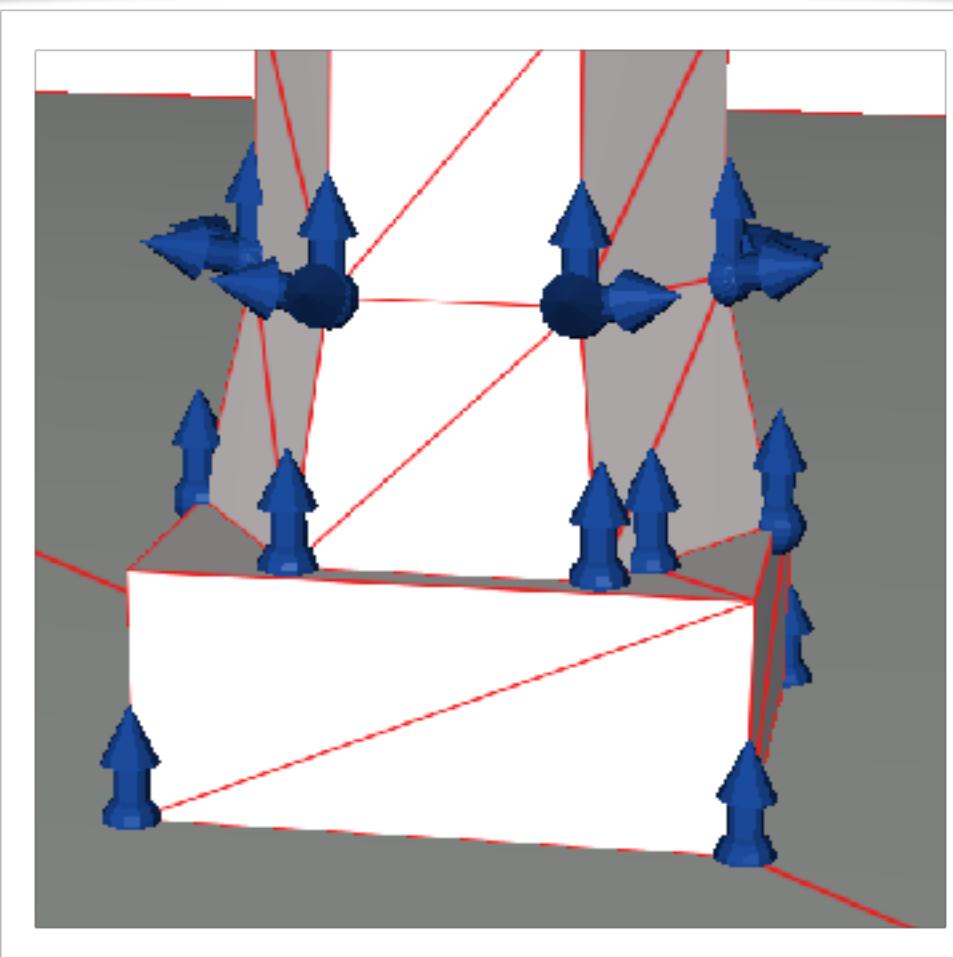
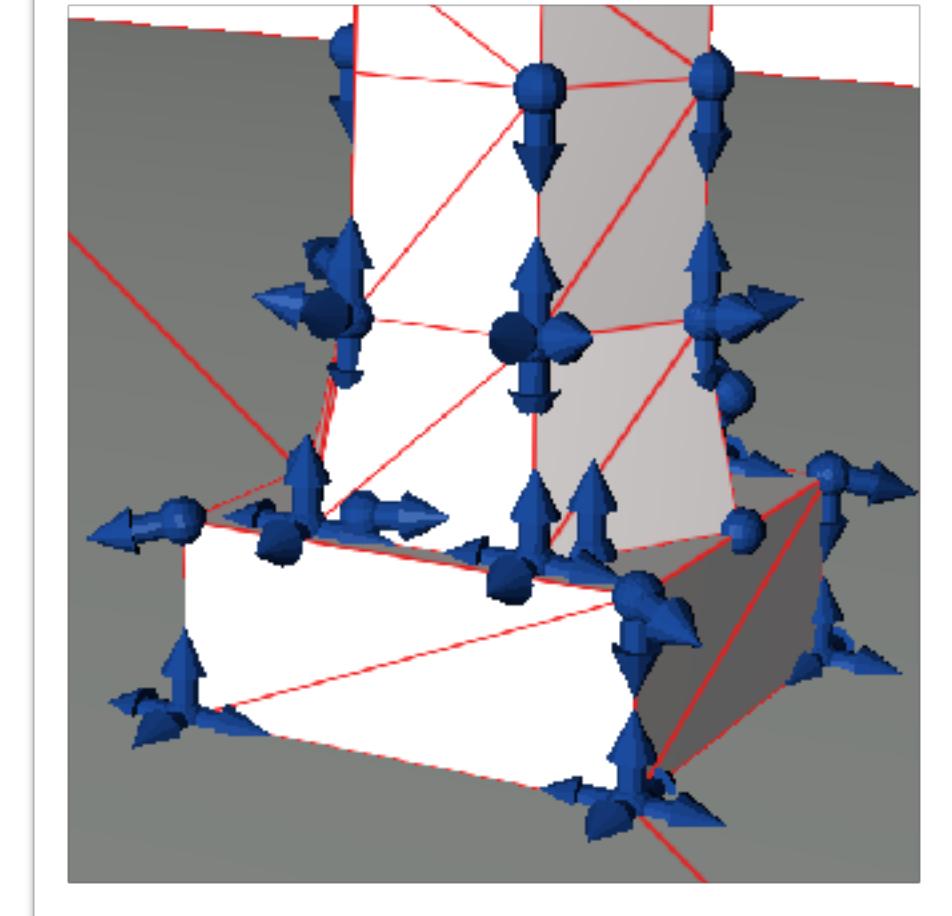
Consistent vertex



Growth



Intersection



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PARAMETER STUDIES

HIGH RESOLUTION MESHES

We pick subset
of local methods
that worked well
for pillar



Opposing



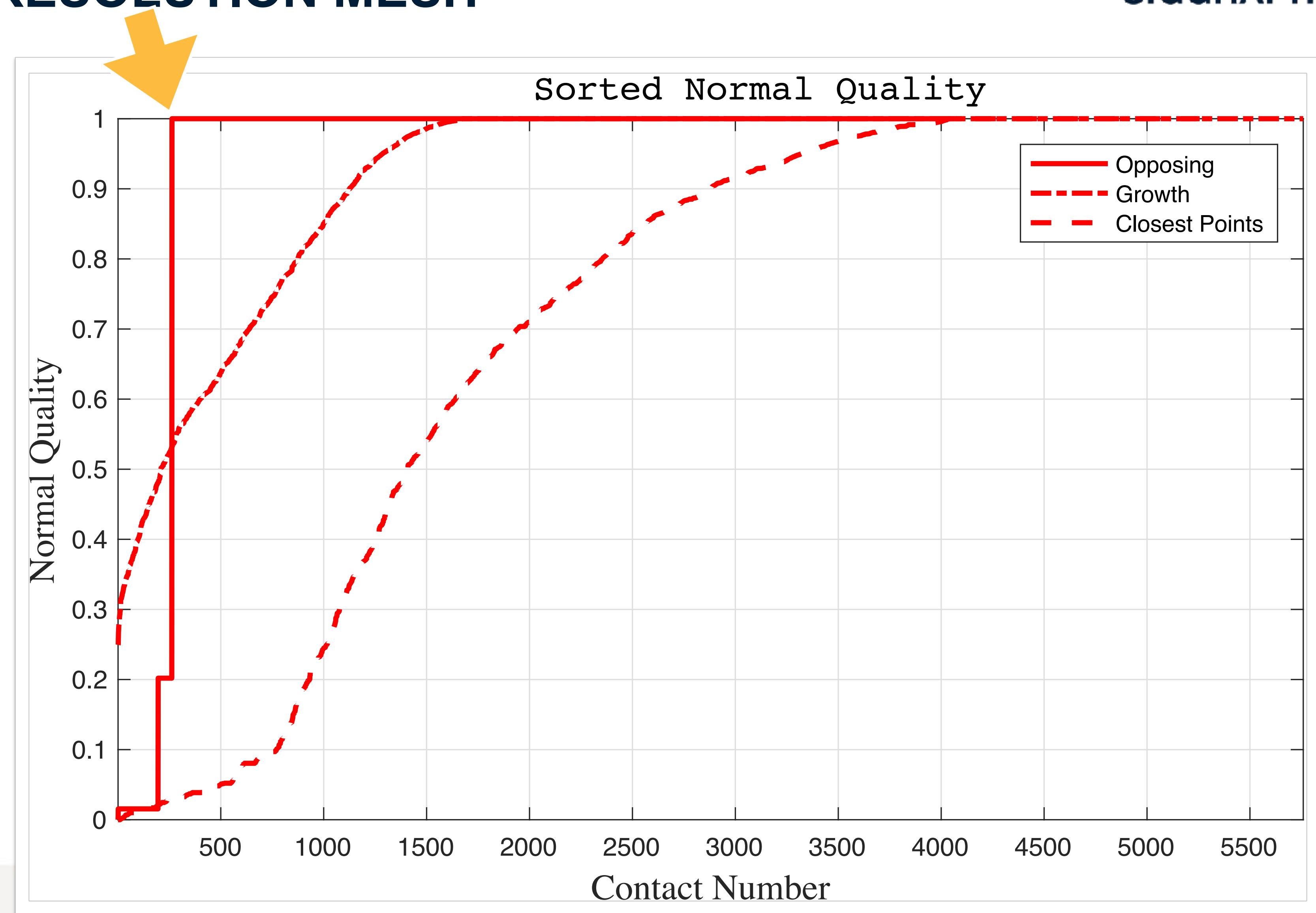
Growth



Closest points

EFFECT ON HIGH RESOLUTION MESH

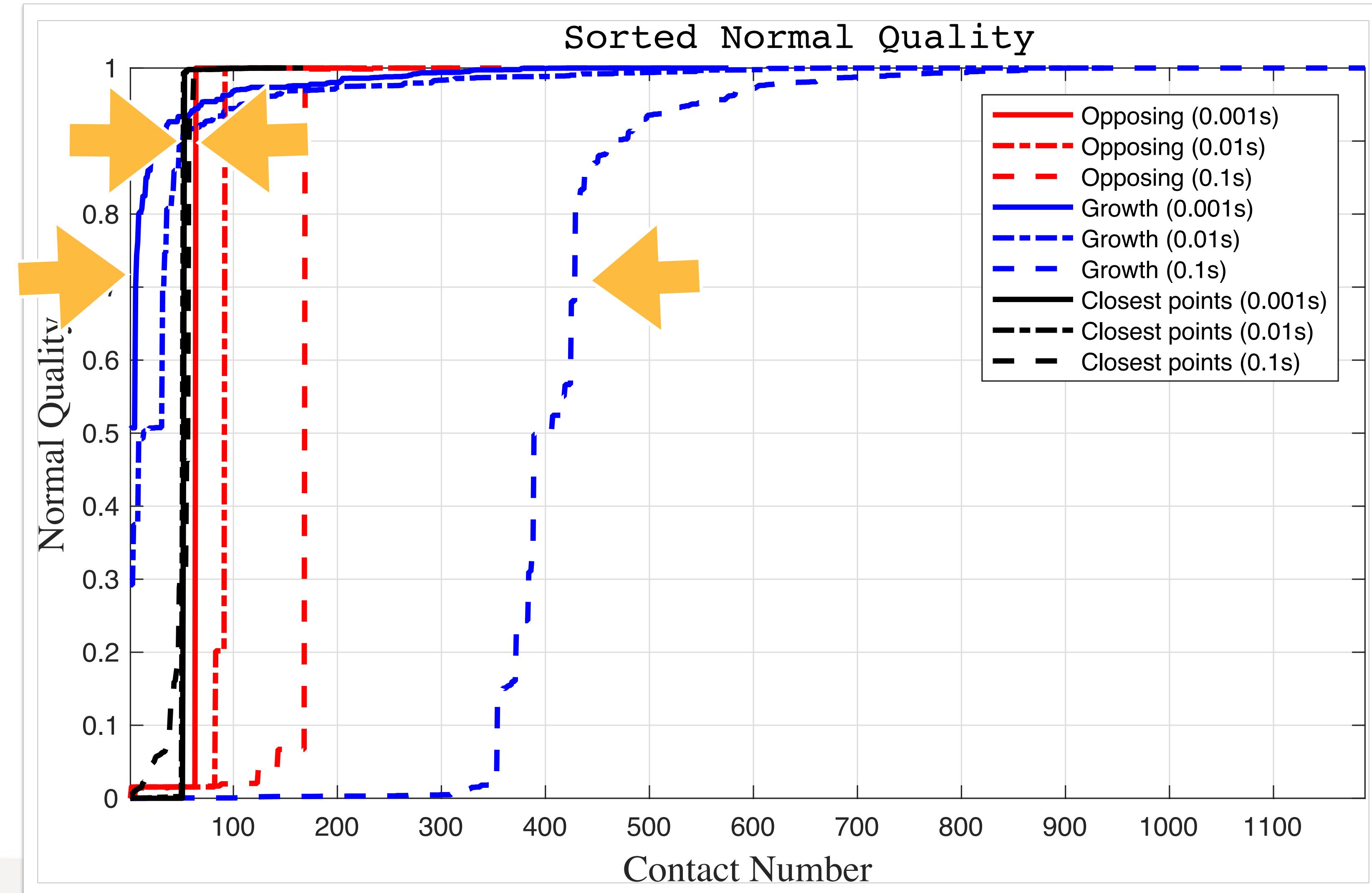
Opposing
has higher
normal
quality



TIME-STEP DEPENDENCE

Closest points has good normal quality for larger time-steps with smallest sensitivity

Growth is worst for larger time steps

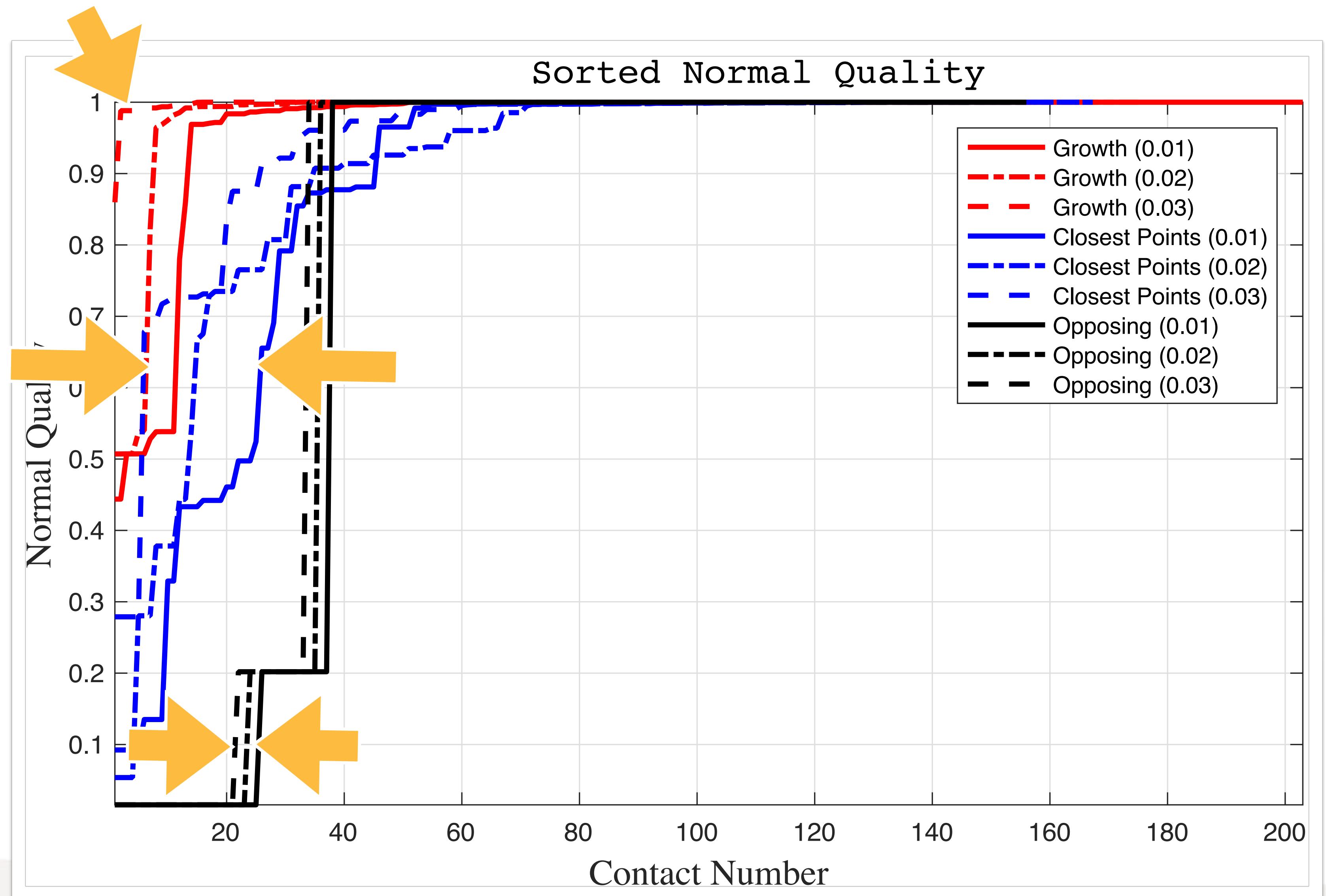


RANDOM NOISE DEPENDENCE

Growth gives better normal quality when adding noise.

Closest points is most sensitive

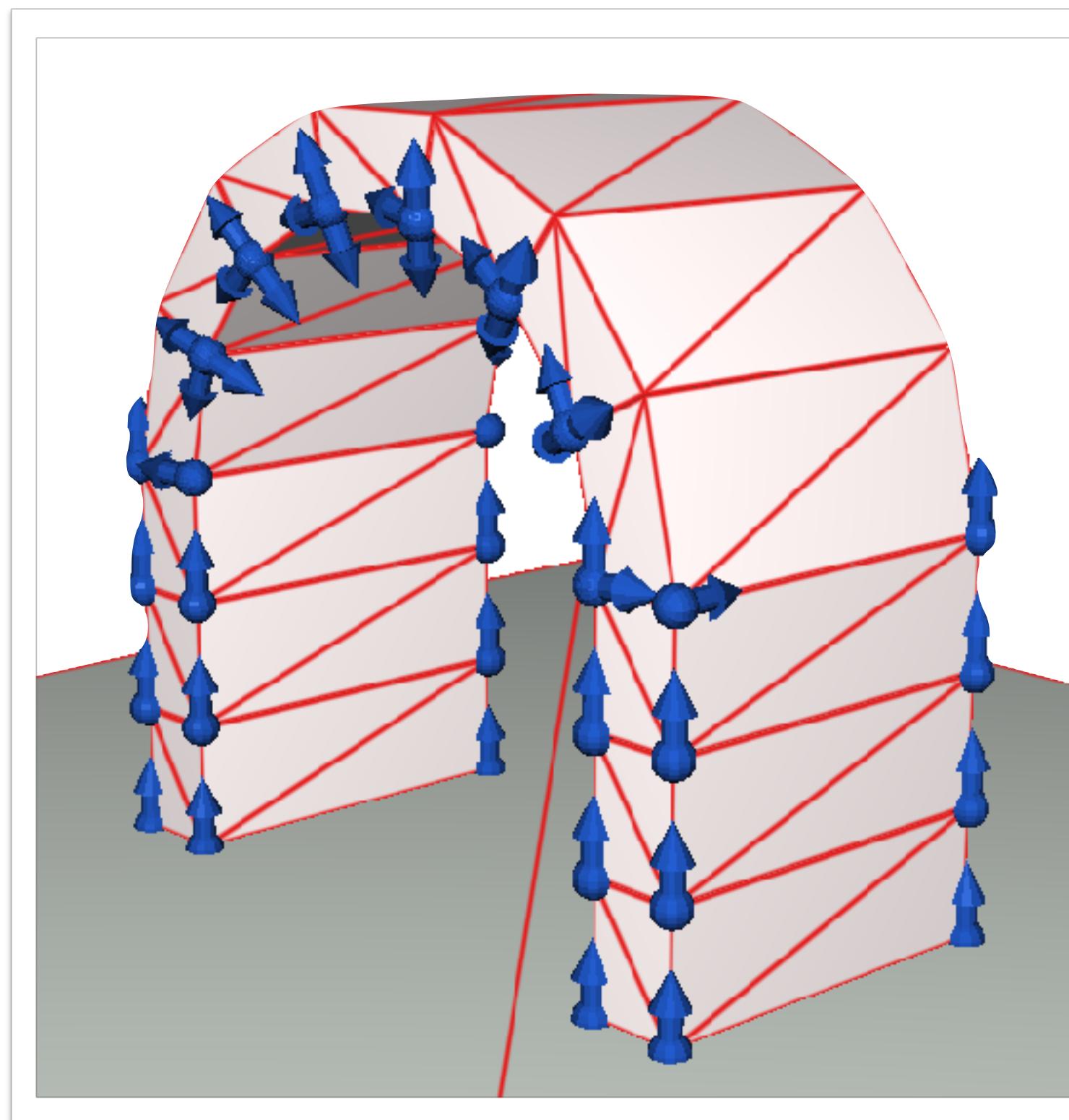
Opposing is less sensitive



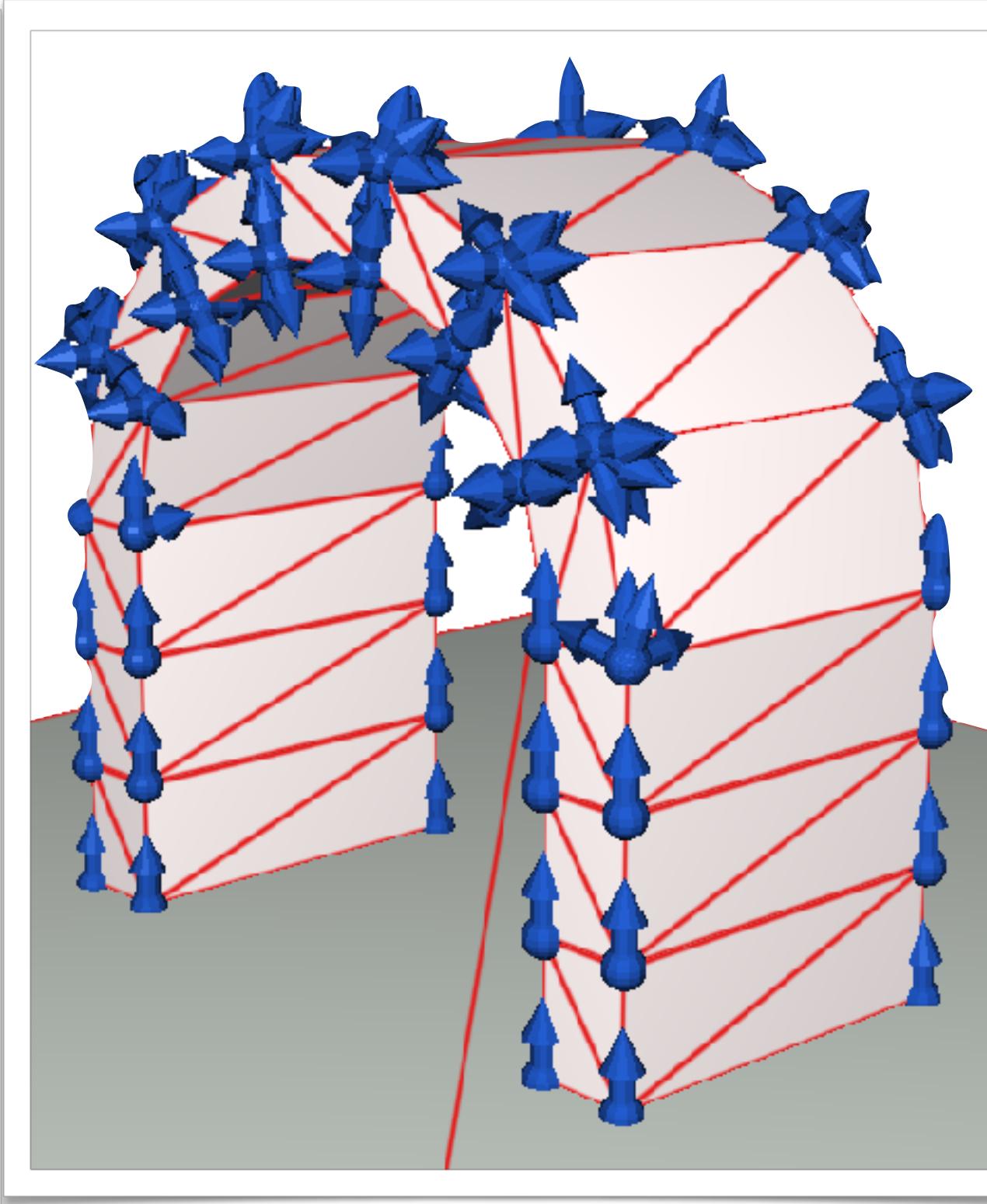


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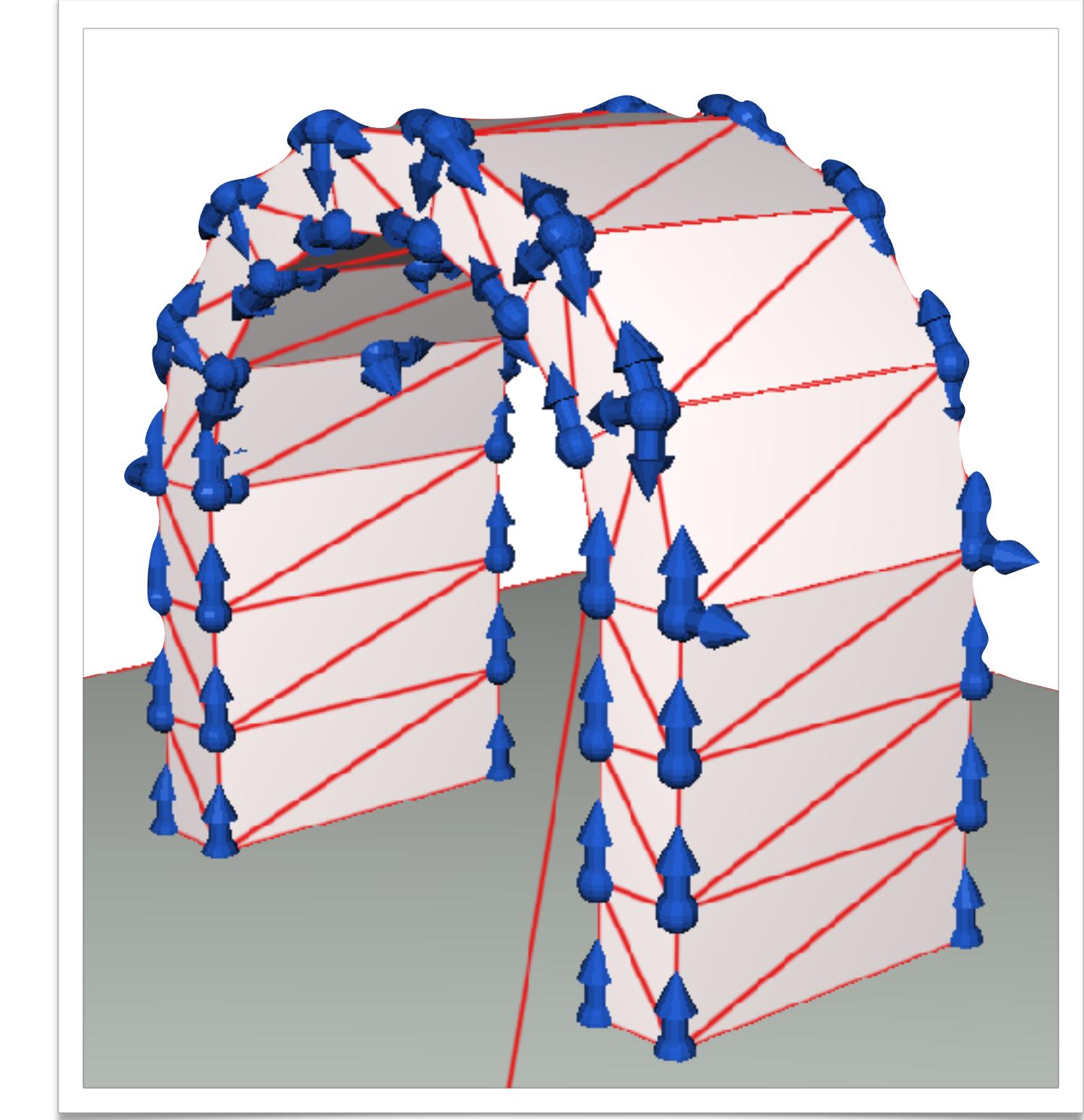
ARCH EXAMPLE



Closest points
with
empty space

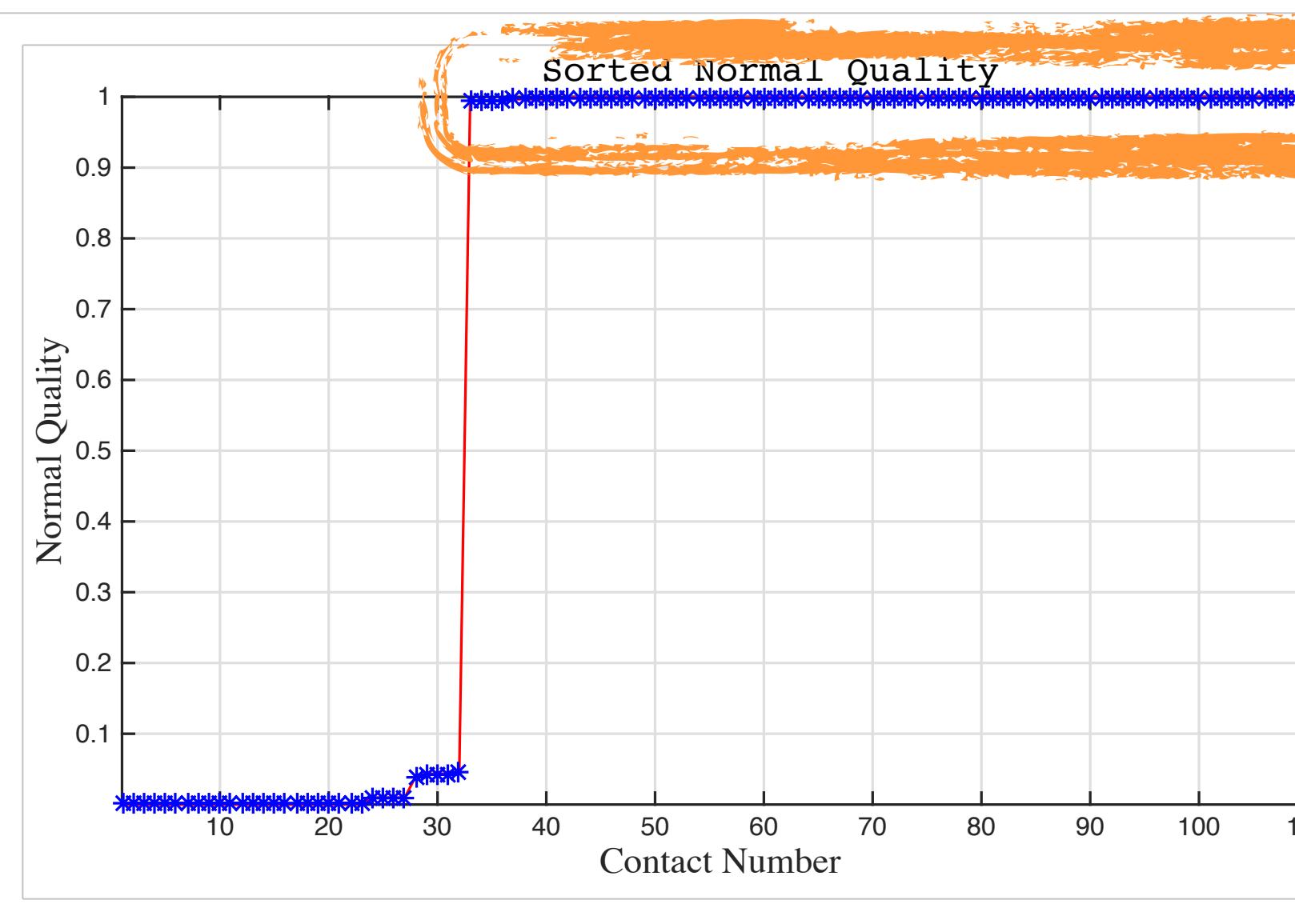


Closest points
no
empty space

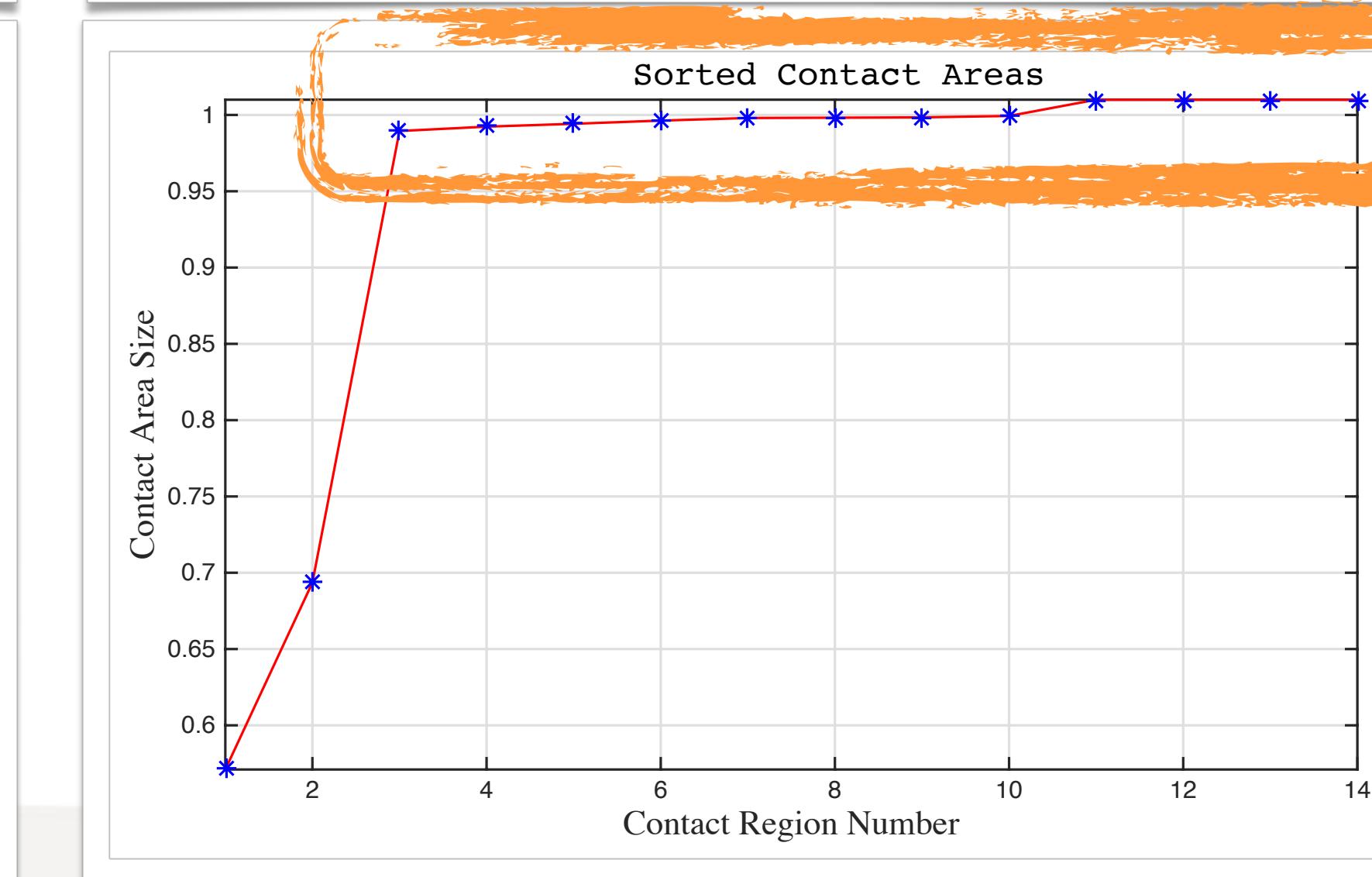
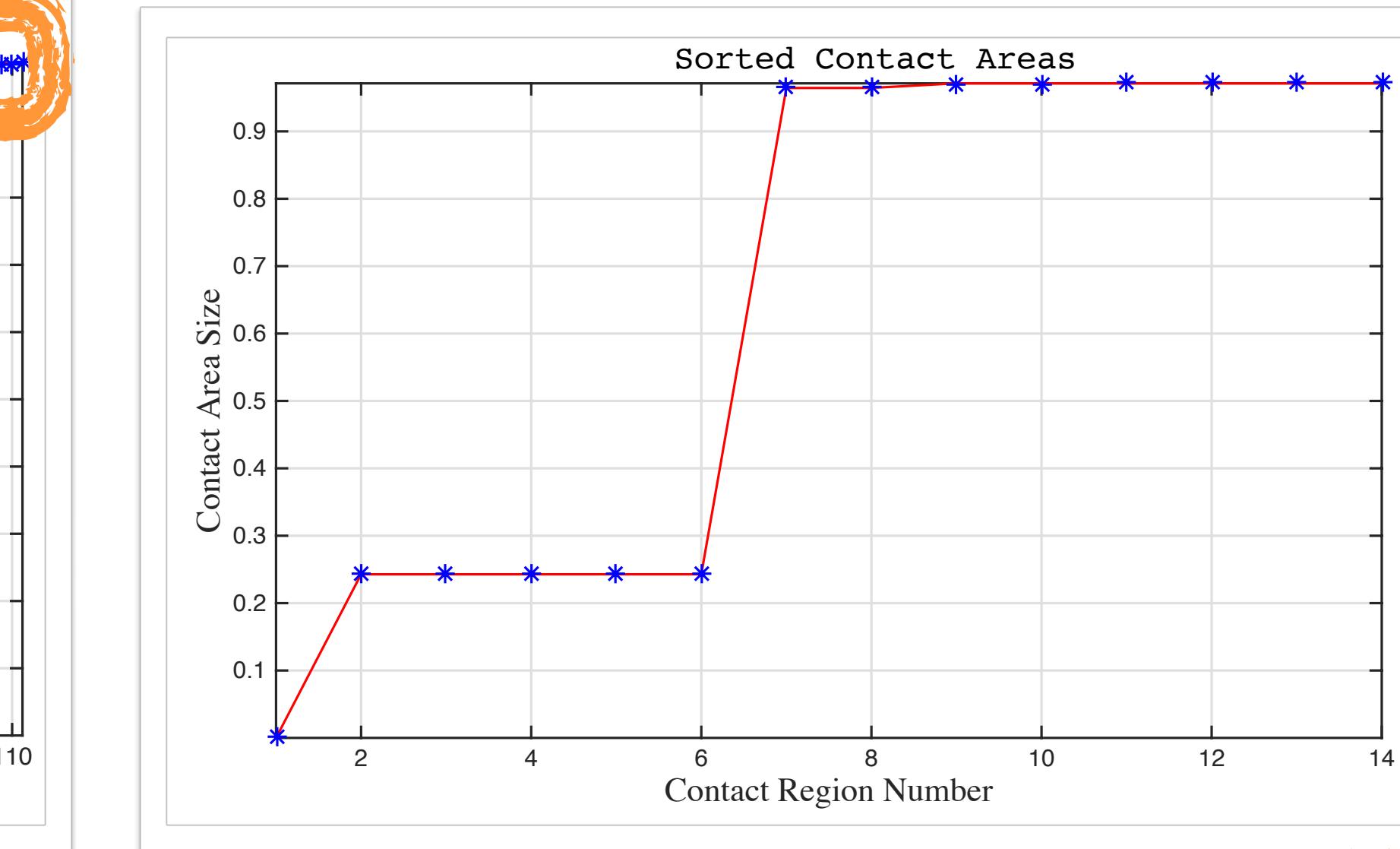
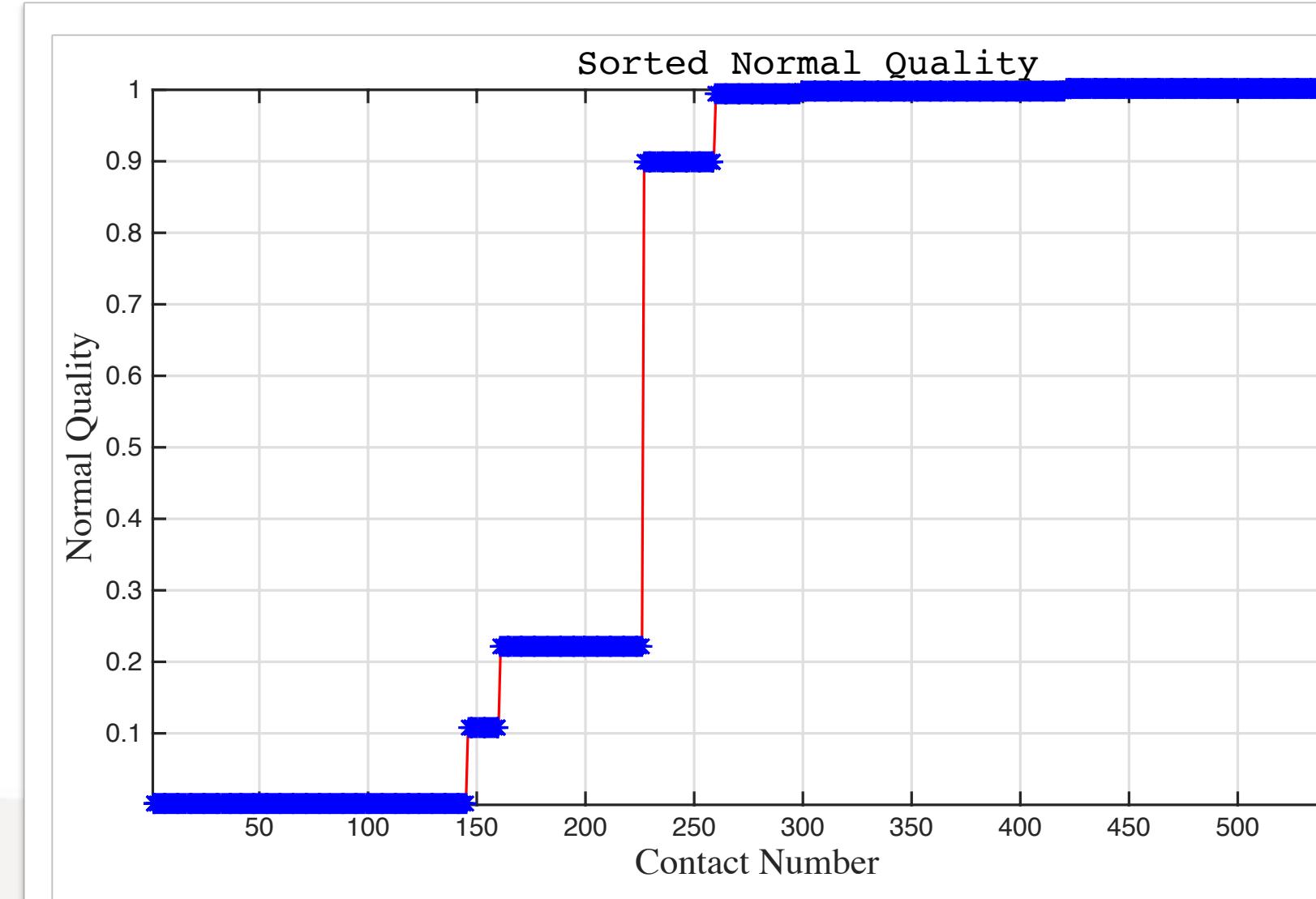


Opposing

Closest points
has better
normal quality



Opposing has
better areas



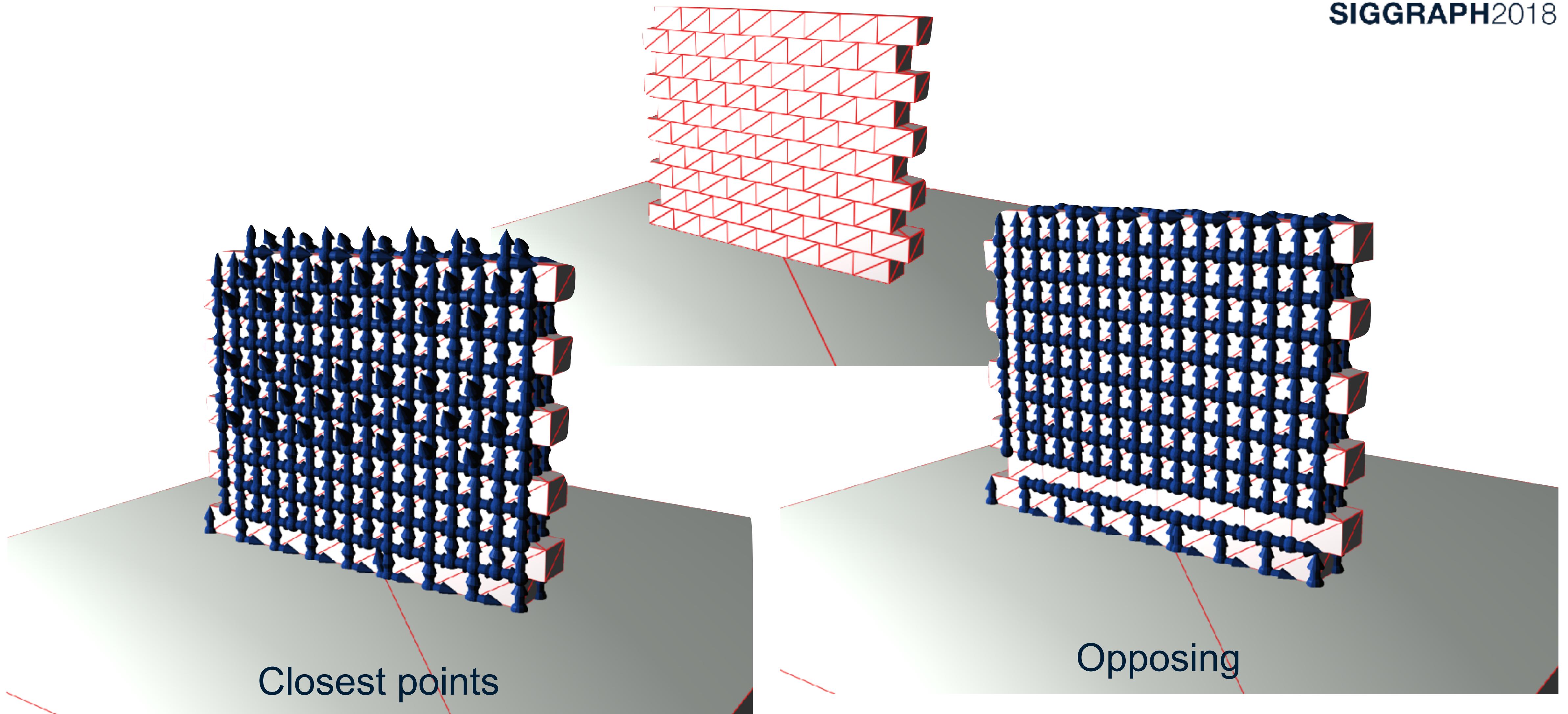
Closest Points

Opposing

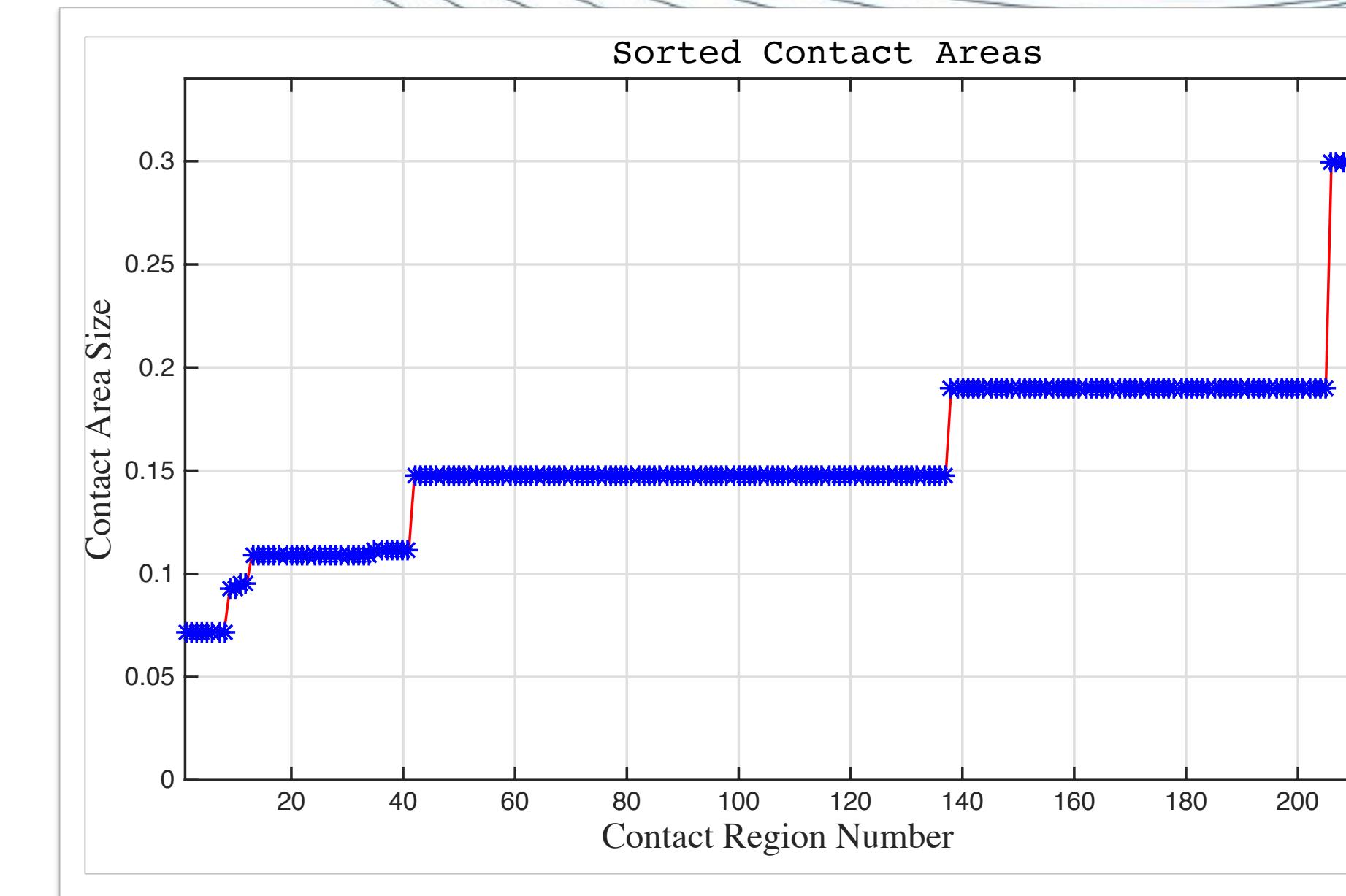
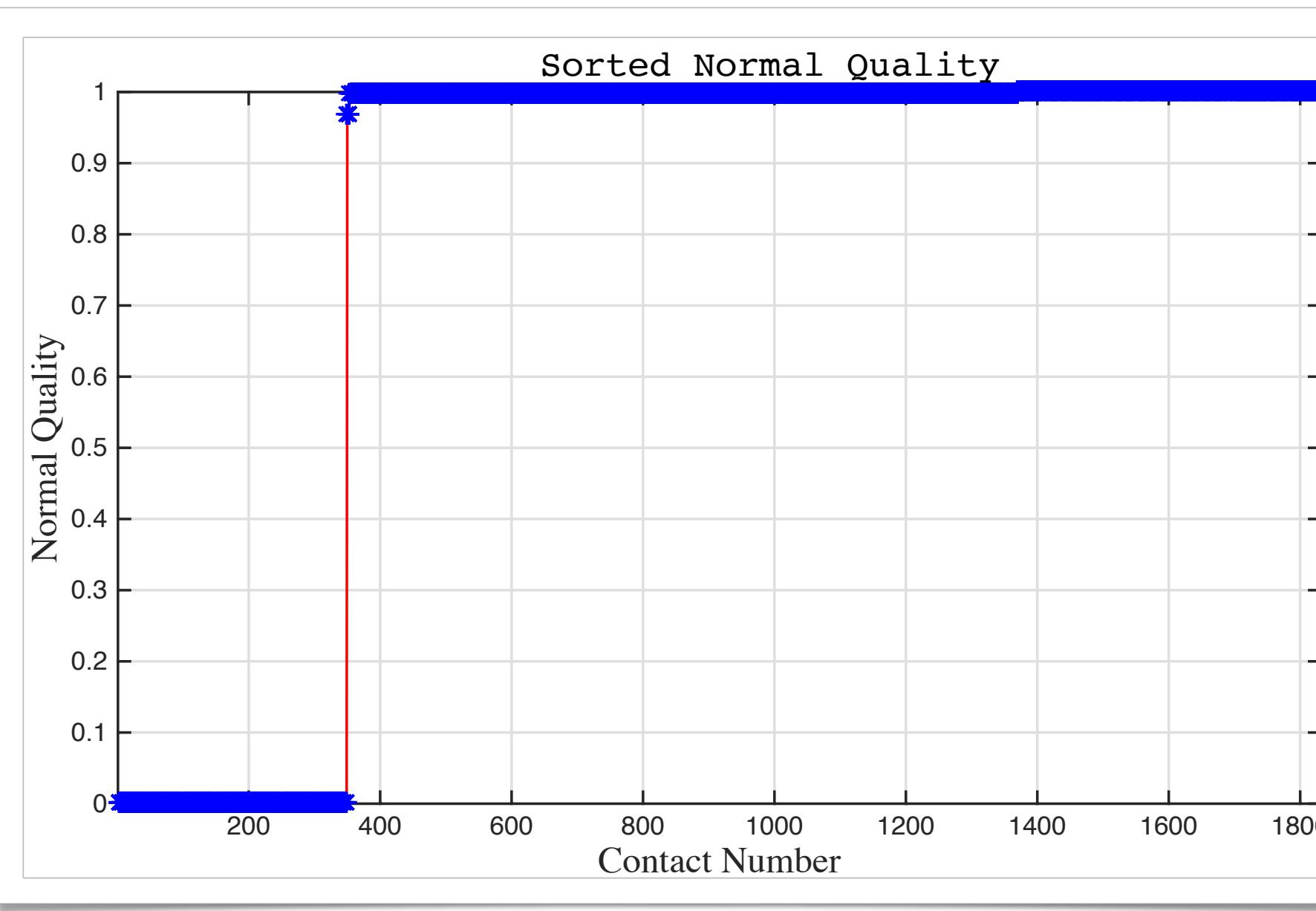


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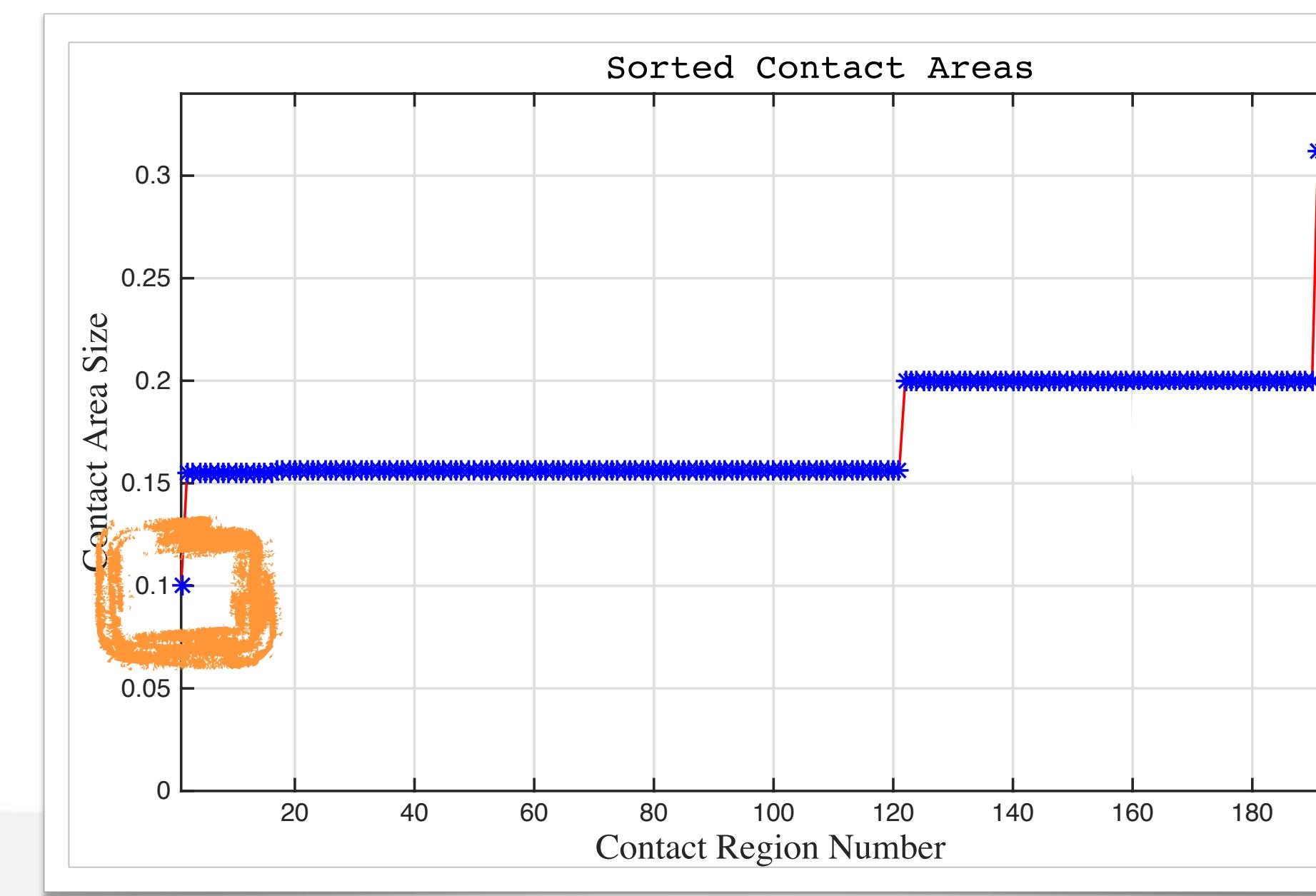
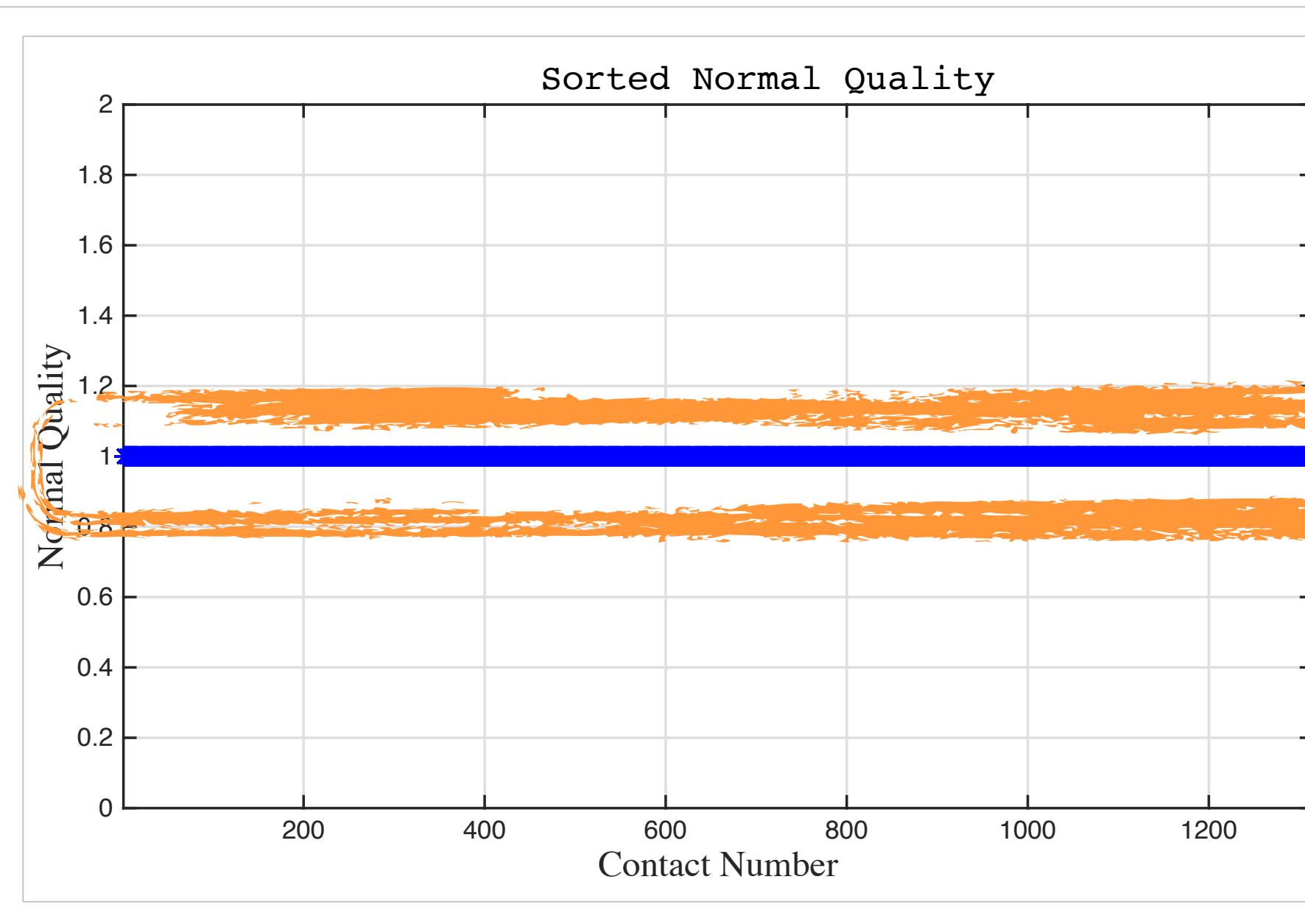


Closest Points



Closest points has poor quality and smaller coverage

Opposing



Opposing performs best

CONCLUSION

- We carefully designed five fundamental cases that we named **Sliding point, Two points, Point in crack, Internal edge** and **Cliff edge** that widely spans the challenges in computing normal information. Our cases are limited in the sense that they only partially cover cases with mixed curvature.
- We presented simple **Pillar, Arch** and **Wall** examples with explicit defined quality measures to provide the community with a specific tool for comparison.
- We presented the **Opposing and Growth** methods.
- We have demonstrated that **simulations are very sensitive** towards contact point generation and particular correct normal information is challenging to provide given the limitations of local using a local method.

No local silver bullet



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