

# Discrete Differential Geometry

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# Introduction

This is an interactive blueprint to help with the formalisation of several definitions and results from *discrete differential geometry*, using Keenan Crane's textbook as a general template.

The actual Lean code can be found at ([https://github.com/maxwell-thum/DDG\\_Lean3](https://github.com/maxwell-thum/DDG_Lean3)).

This blueprint is adapted from the blueprint of Thomas F. Bloom and Bhavik Mehta's Unit Fractions project (<https://github.com/b-mehta/unit-fractions>), which was itself based on the blueprint created by Patrick Massot for the Sphere Eversion project (<https://github.com/leanprover-community/sphere-eversion>).

This blueprint uses Patrick Massot's leanblueprint plugin (<https://github.com/PatrickMassot/leanblueprint>) for plasTeX (<http://plastex.github.io/plastex/>).

# Chapter 1

## Combinatorial Surfaces

**Definition 1.1.** An *abstract simplicial complex* is a pair  $(V, \mathcal{K})$ , where  $V$  is a set,  $\mathcal{K} \subseteq \mathcal{P}(V)$  is a set of finite, non-empty subsets of  $V$ , and for all  $\sigma \in \mathcal{K}$ , if  $\sigma' \subseteq \sigma$  and  $\sigma' \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\sigma' \in \mathcal{K}$ .  $V$  is called the set of *vertices* and elements of  $\mathcal{K}$  are called *simplices*.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $(V, \mathcal{K})$  be a finite simplicial complex. For  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , an *abstract  $k$ -simplex* is a simplex  $\sigma \in \mathcal{K}$  consisting of exactly  $k + 1$  vertices.

**Definition 1.3.** The *degree* of an abstract simplex of size  $k$  is  $k - 1$ . For instance, 0-simplices are vertices, 1-simplices are edges, 2-simplices are faces, and 3-simplices are tetrahedra. The empty set is the only  $-1$ -simplex.