

Geometry and Physics Modeling with Python

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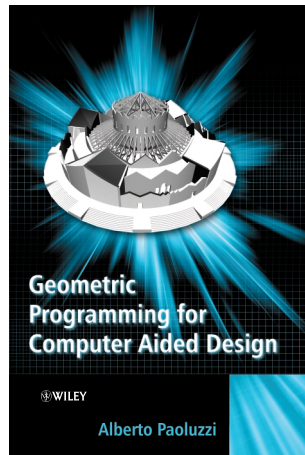
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Higher-level functions

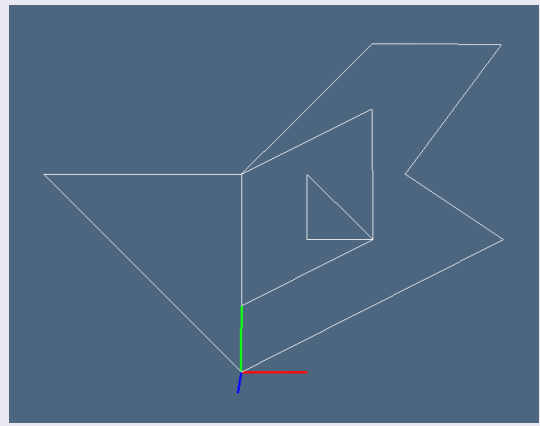
Unusual but legal in Python

`COLOR(RED)(CUBE(1))`

Boolean ops example: polygon filling

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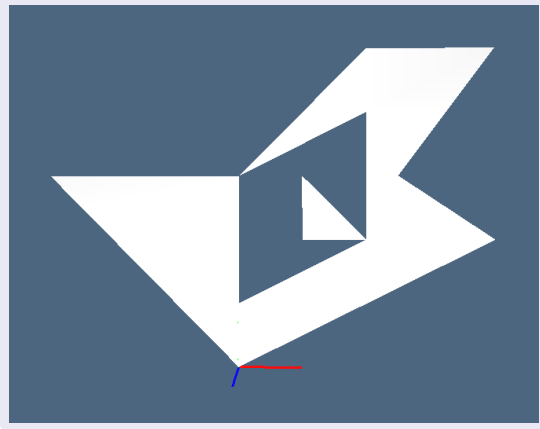
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polylines = STRUCT(AA(POLYLINE)(List))
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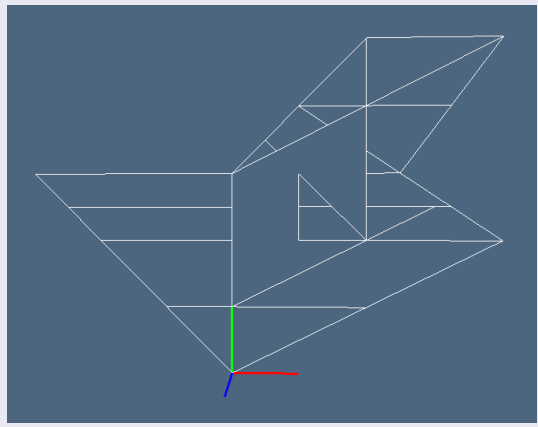
polygon = SOLIDIFY(polylines)



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cells = SKELETON(1)(polygon)
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solid = PROD([polygon, Q(0.5)])
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```
complement = DIFFERENCE(  
  BOX([1,2,3])(solid), solid )
```



Coding a new pyplasm primitive

```
from pyplasm import *

def EXPLODE (params):
    | sx,sy,sz = params
    def explode0 (scene):
        centers = AA(MED([1,2,3]))(scene)
        scalings = N(len(centers))(S([1,2,3])([sx,sy,sz]))
        scaledCenters = AA(UK)(AA(APPLY)(TRANS([scalings,AA(MK)(centers)])))
        translVectors = AA(VECTDIFF)(TRANS([scaledCenters, centers]))
        translations = AA(T([1,2,3]))(translVectors)
        return STRUCT(AA(APPLY)(TRANS([translations, scene])))
    return explode0
```


The pyplasm EXPL in plain python

```
from pyplasm import *

def EXPLODE (dims):
    dims = [dims] if ISNUM(dims) else dims
    def EXPLODE0 (params):
        params = [params] if ISNUM(params) else params
        def EXPLODE1 (scene):
            centers = [MED(INTSTO(RN(obj)))(obj) for obj in scene]
            scalings = len(centers) * [S(dims)(params)]
            scaledCenters = [UK(APPLY(pair)) for pair in
                zip(scalings, [MK(p) for p in centers])]
            translVectors = [ VECTDIFF((p,q)) for (p,q) in zip(scaledCenters, centers) ]
            translations = [ T(dims)(v) for v in translVectors ]
            return STRUCT([ APPLY([t,obj]) for t,obj in zip(translations,scene) ])
        return EXPLODE1
    return EXPLODE0

EXPL = EXPLODE
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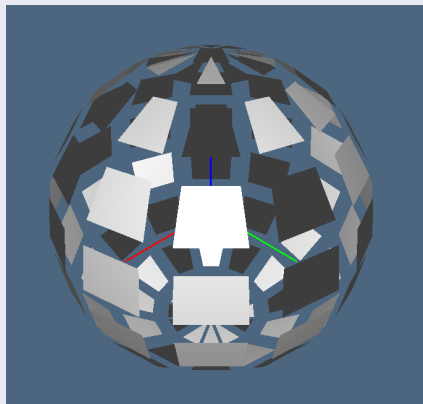
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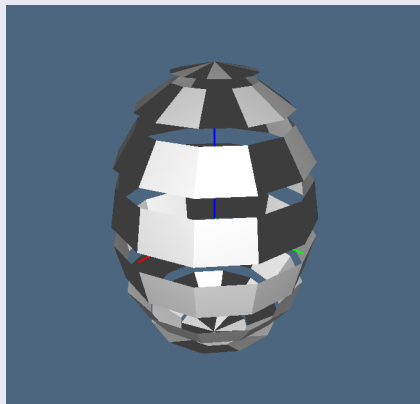
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pol2 = EXPL(3)(1.5)(List)
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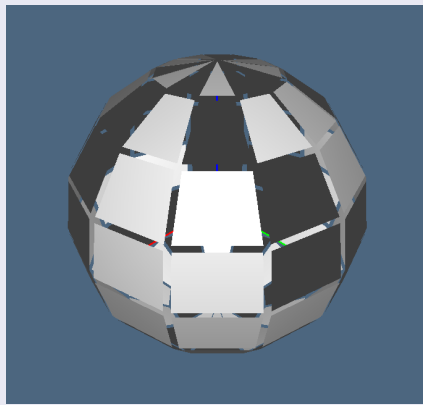
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polList2 = SPLITCELLS(pol1)
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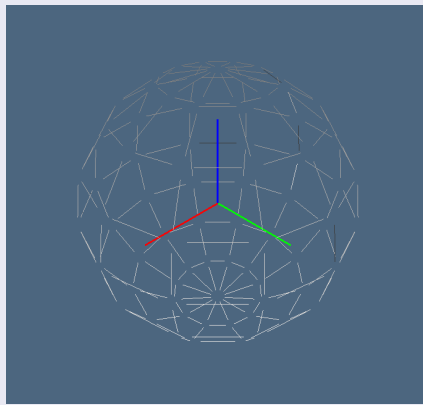
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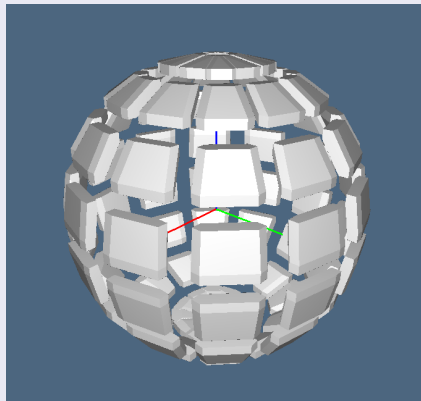
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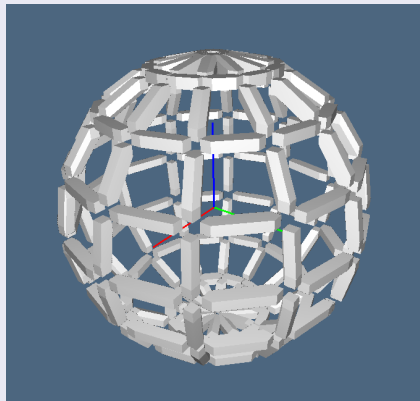
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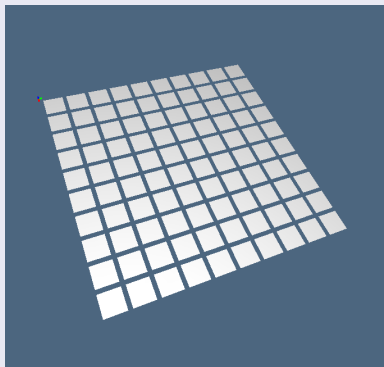
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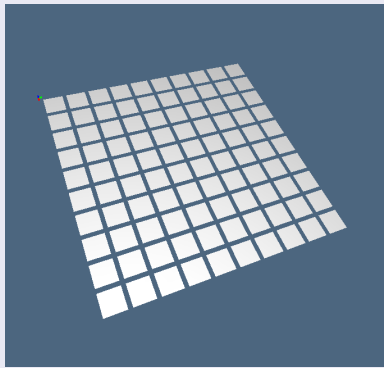
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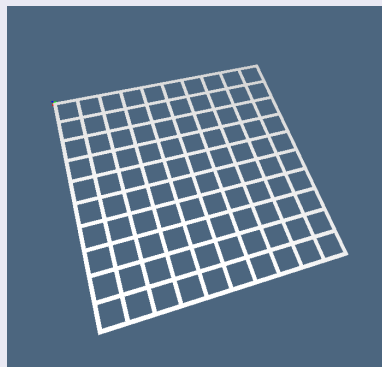
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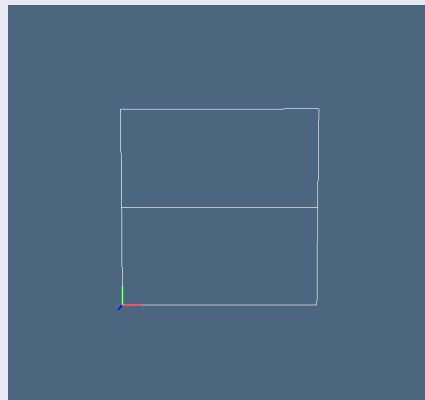
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section = MKPOL([
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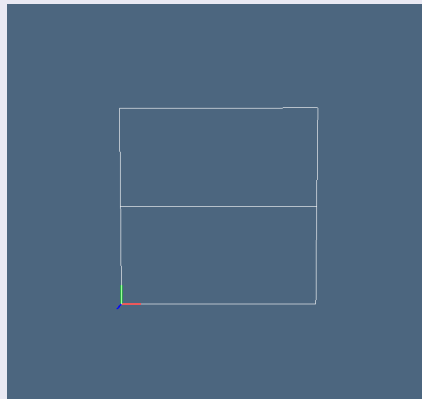
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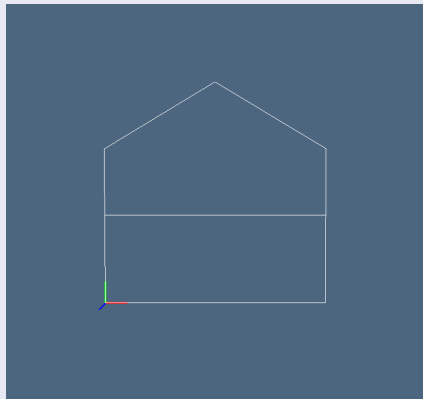
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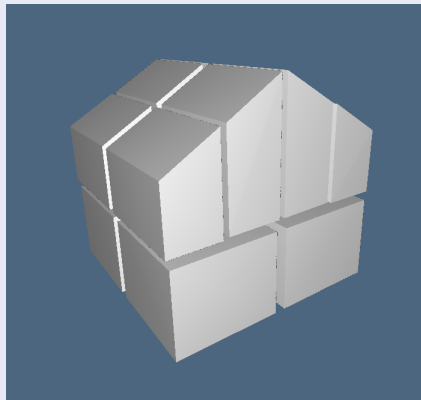
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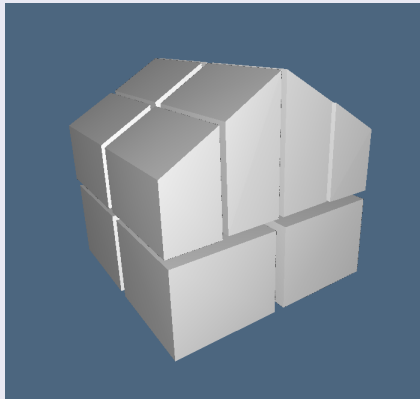
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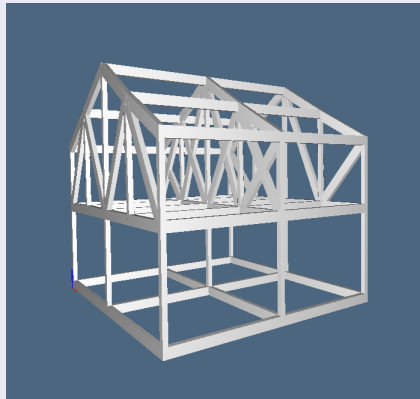
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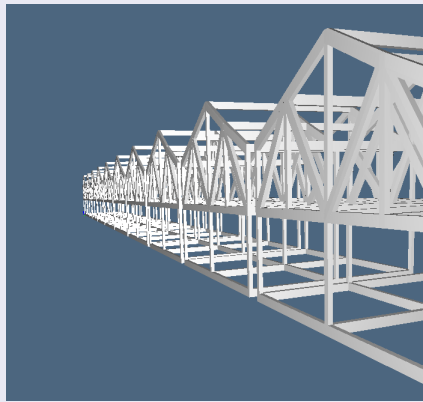
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sk1 = OFFSET([.2,.2,.4])(SK(1)(house))
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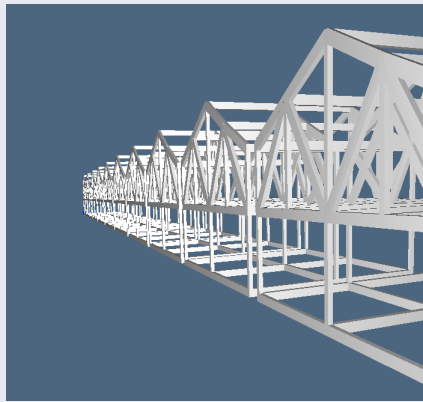
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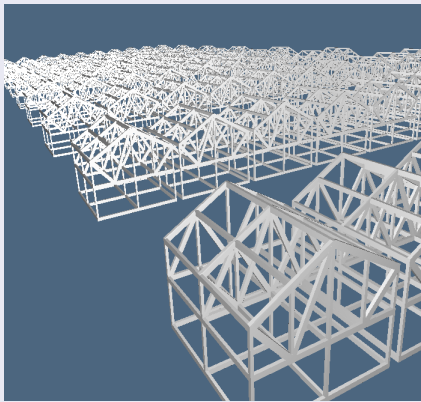


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```
str2 = STRUCT(10*[str1,T(2)(31)])
```



Chain complexes and Cochain complexes

- A **chain complex** is a sequence of linear spaces of d -chains, $0 \leq d \leq n$, with a sequence of **boundary** operators, each mapping the space of d -chains to the space of $(d - 1)$ -chains
- The dual of the chain complex is the **cochain complex**
- The duals of the boundary operators ∂ are the **coboundary** operator δ , that map the spaces of d -cochains to the spaces of $(d + 1)$ -cochains

Chain complexes and Cochain complexes

- All meshes, say partitioning either the boundary or the interior of a model, and their associated physical fields, are properly represented by a (co)chain complex.
- Such a complex therefore gives a complete discrete representation of any type of field over any type of geometric model.
- Huge geometric structures may be properly and efficiently represented by sparse matrices, and therefore efficiently manipulated through linear computational algebra, in particular by using the last-generation of highly parallel vector GPUs.

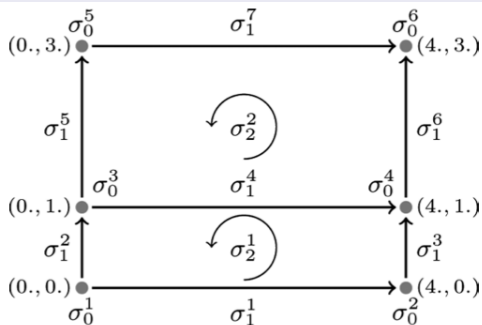
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- This representation apply to all cell complexes, without restriction of type, dimension, codimension, orientability, manifoldness, etc.
- Furthermore, this approach unifies the geometric and physical computation in a common formal computational structure.

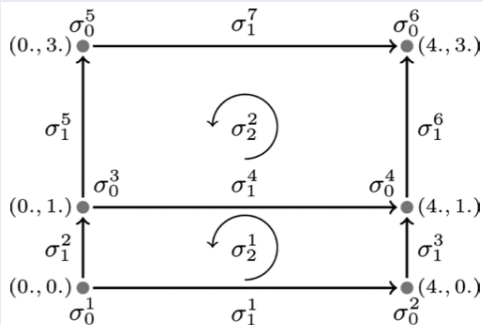
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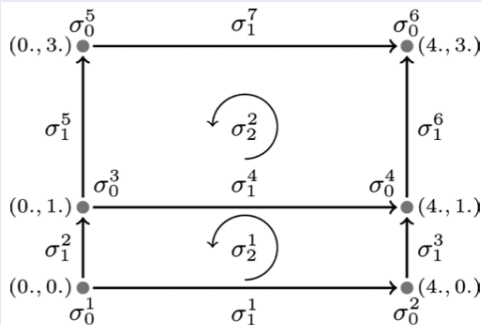
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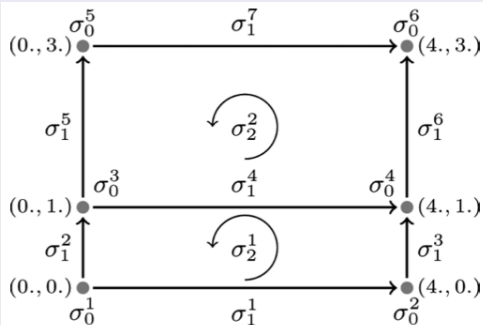
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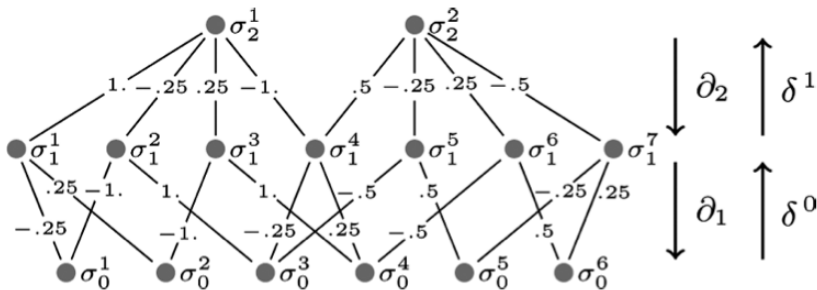
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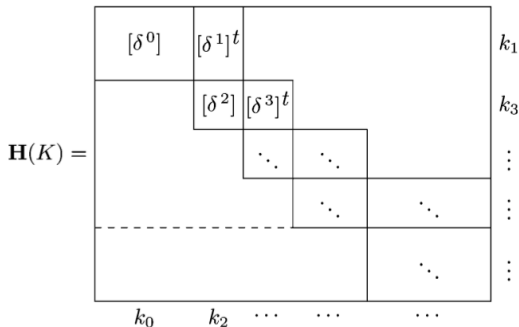


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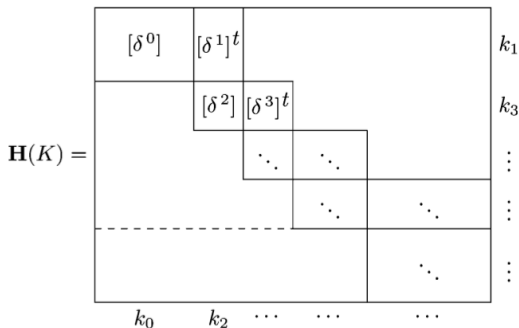
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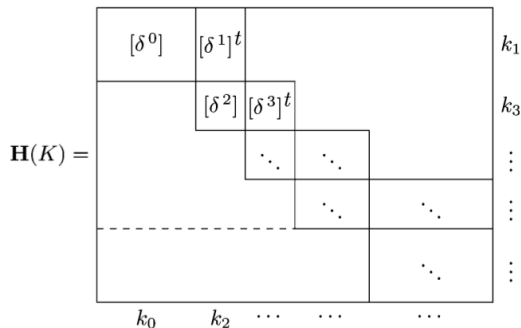
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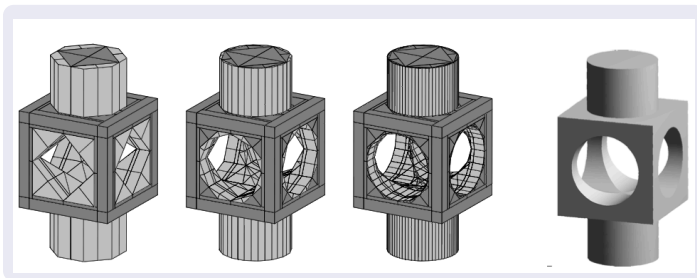
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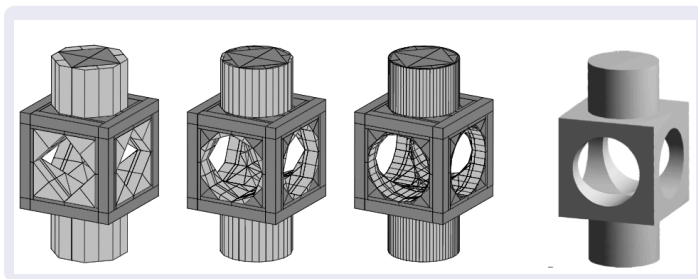
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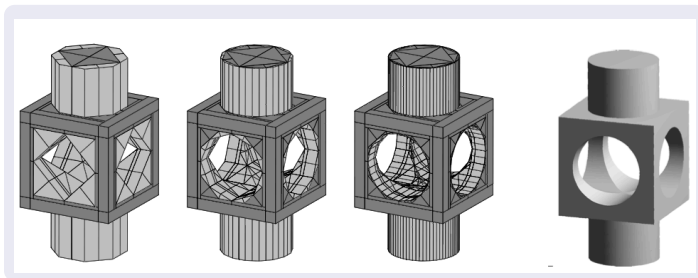


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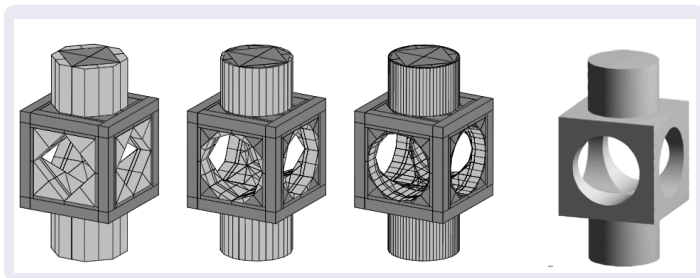


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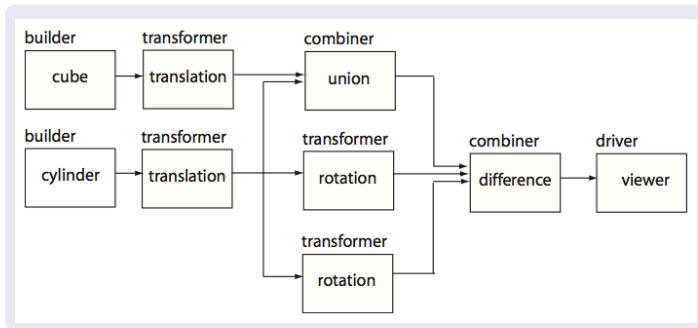
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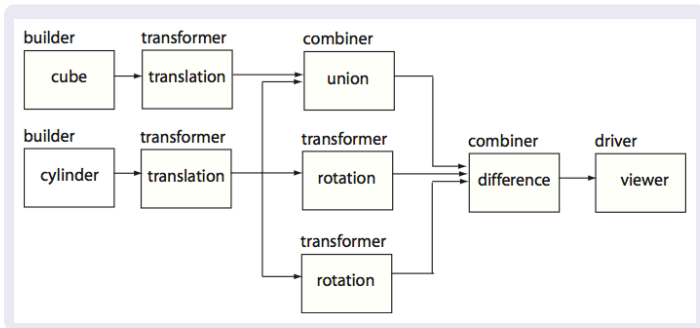


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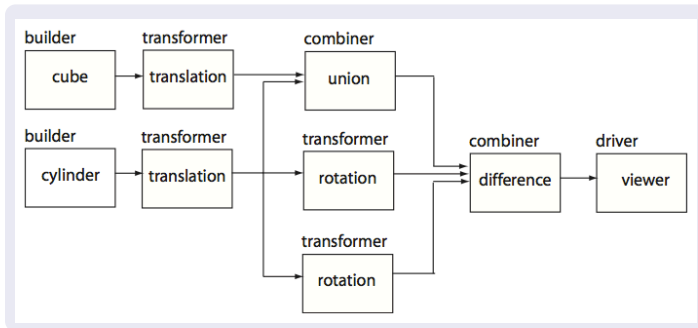


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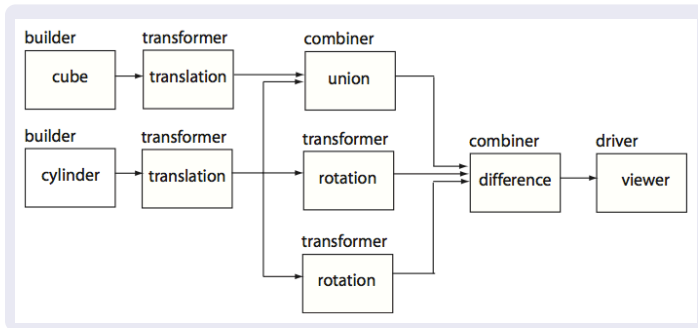
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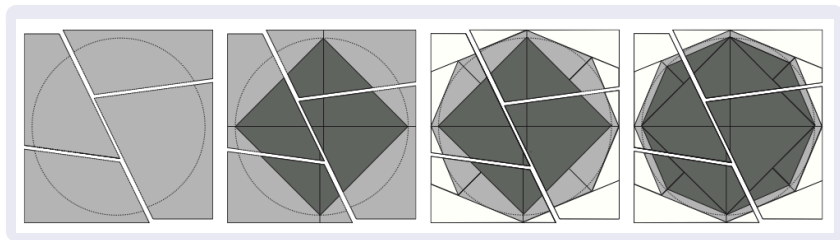
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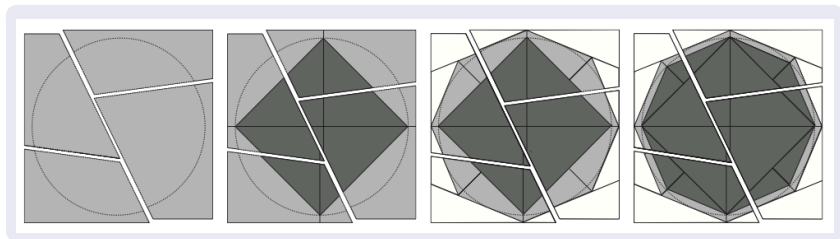
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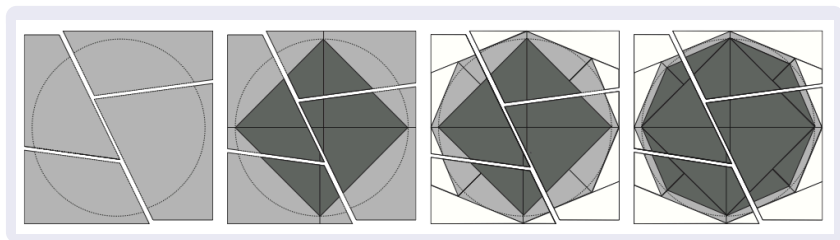
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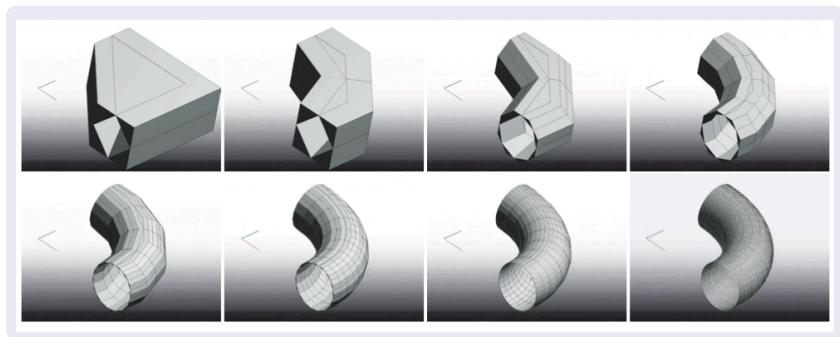
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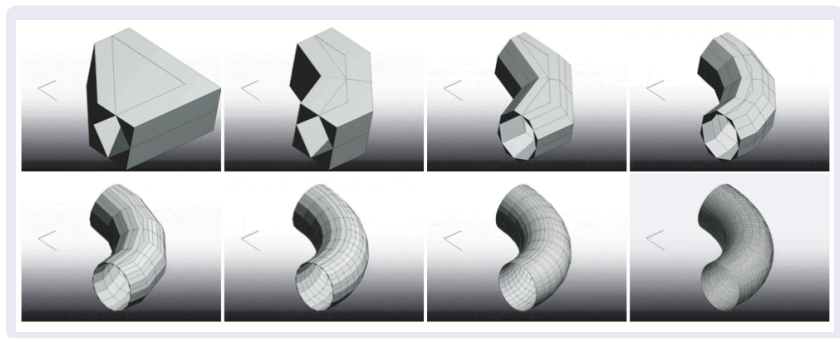


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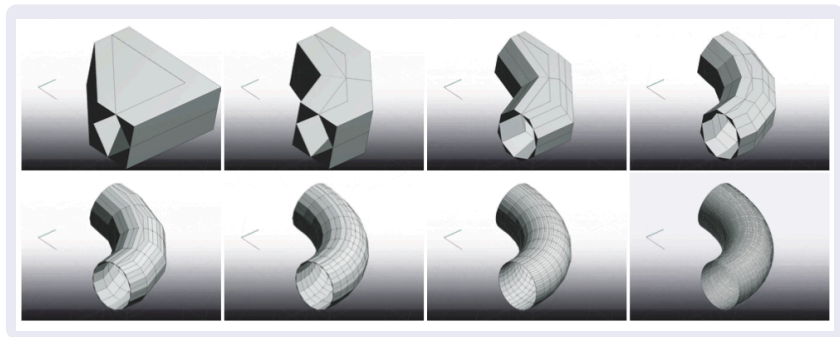


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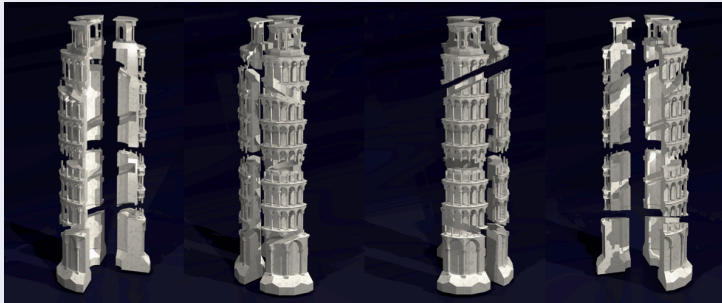
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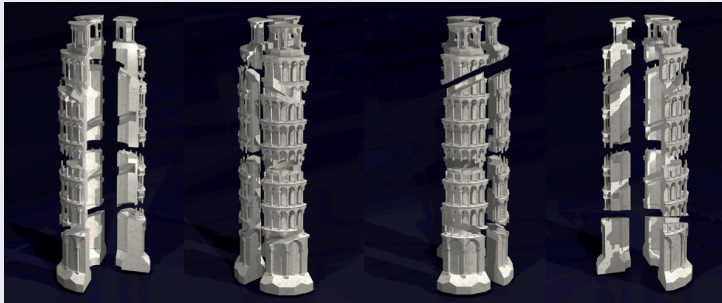
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