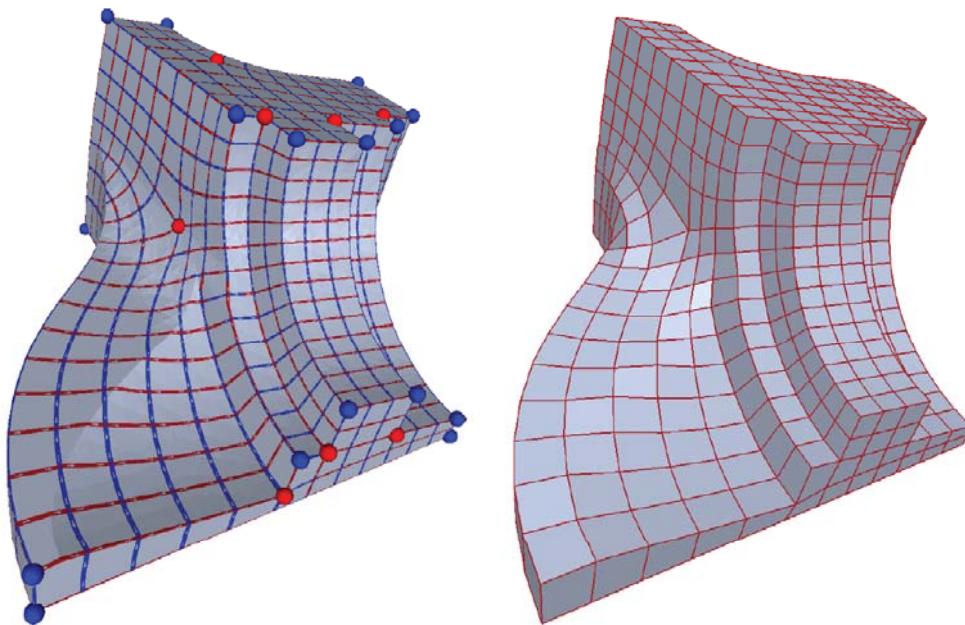


Remeshing II

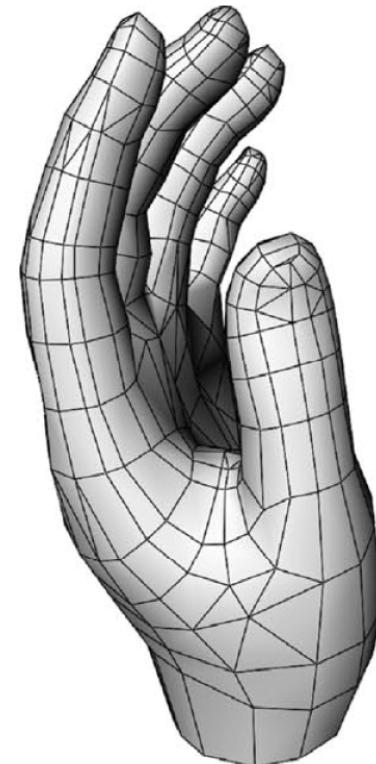


Quad Remeshing

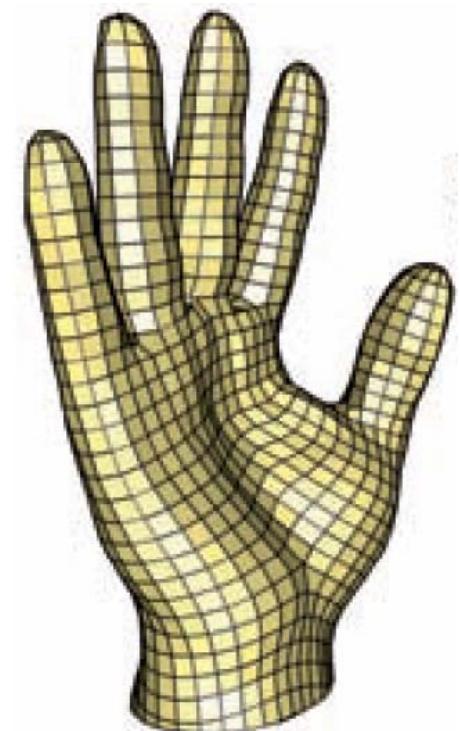
Generate a quad (or quad-dominant) mesh that approximates the input



Input



Quad Dominant Mesh



Quad Mesh

Applications

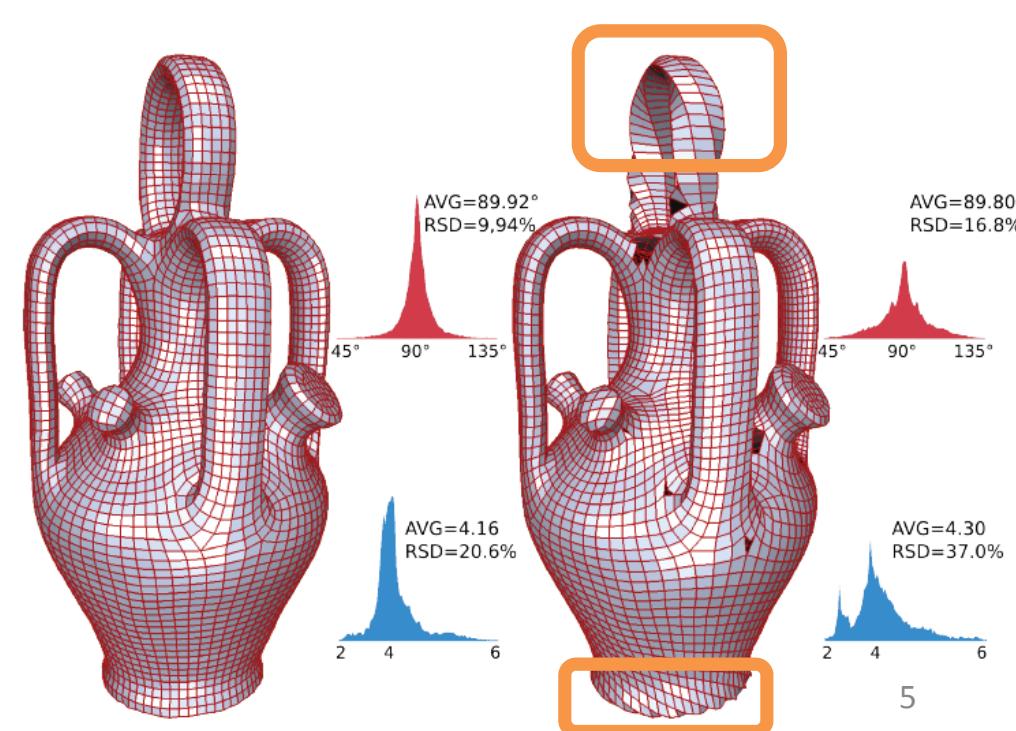
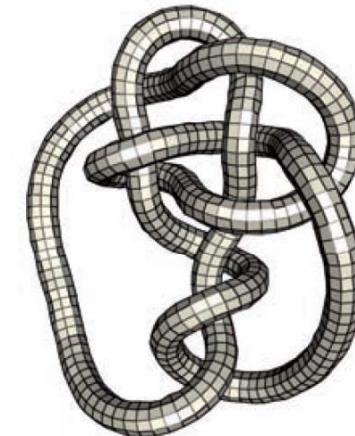
- Fitting B-spline surfaces
- Simulation
- Subdivision
- Modeling
- Architecture

Requirements

- Lengths/angles distribution
- Orthogonality
- Alignment with curvature directions
- Regularity
- Planarity

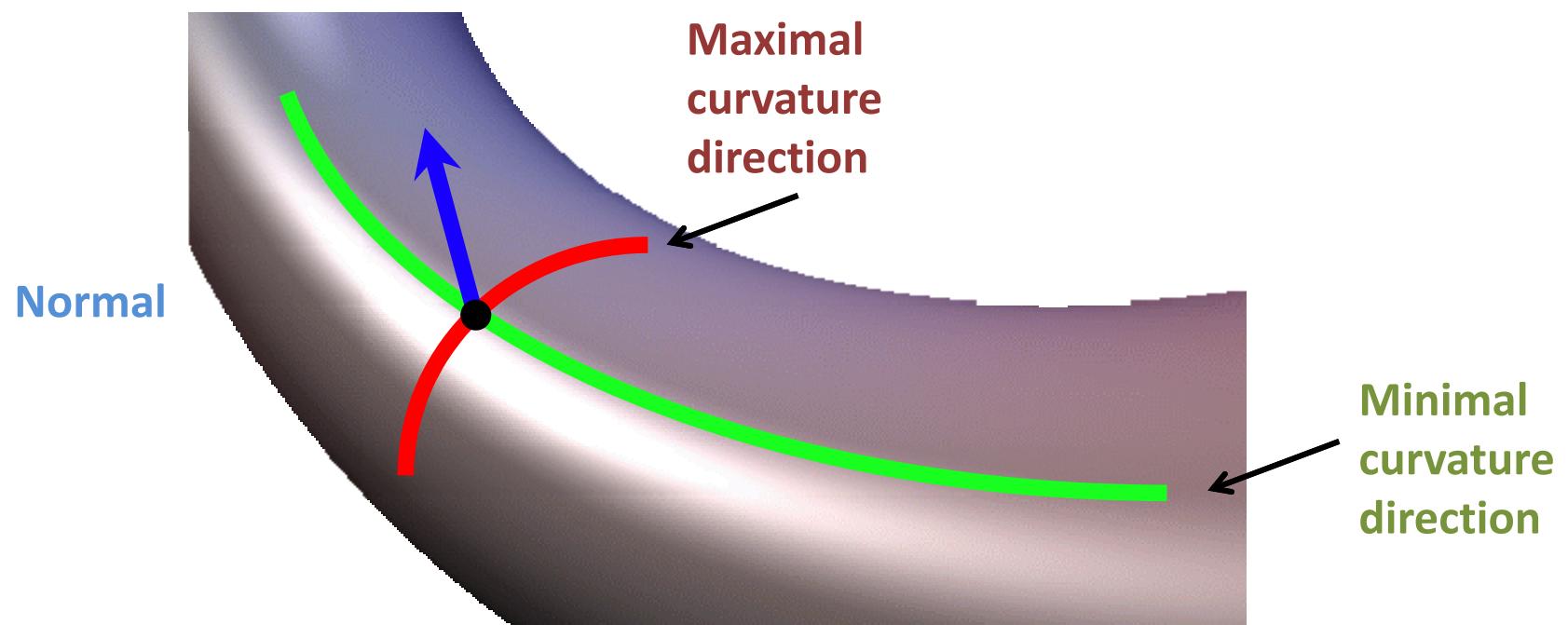
Alignment with Curvature Directions

- More important than for triangular remeshing
 - Visible artifacts even for medium resolution
 - Aligned quads are closer to planar

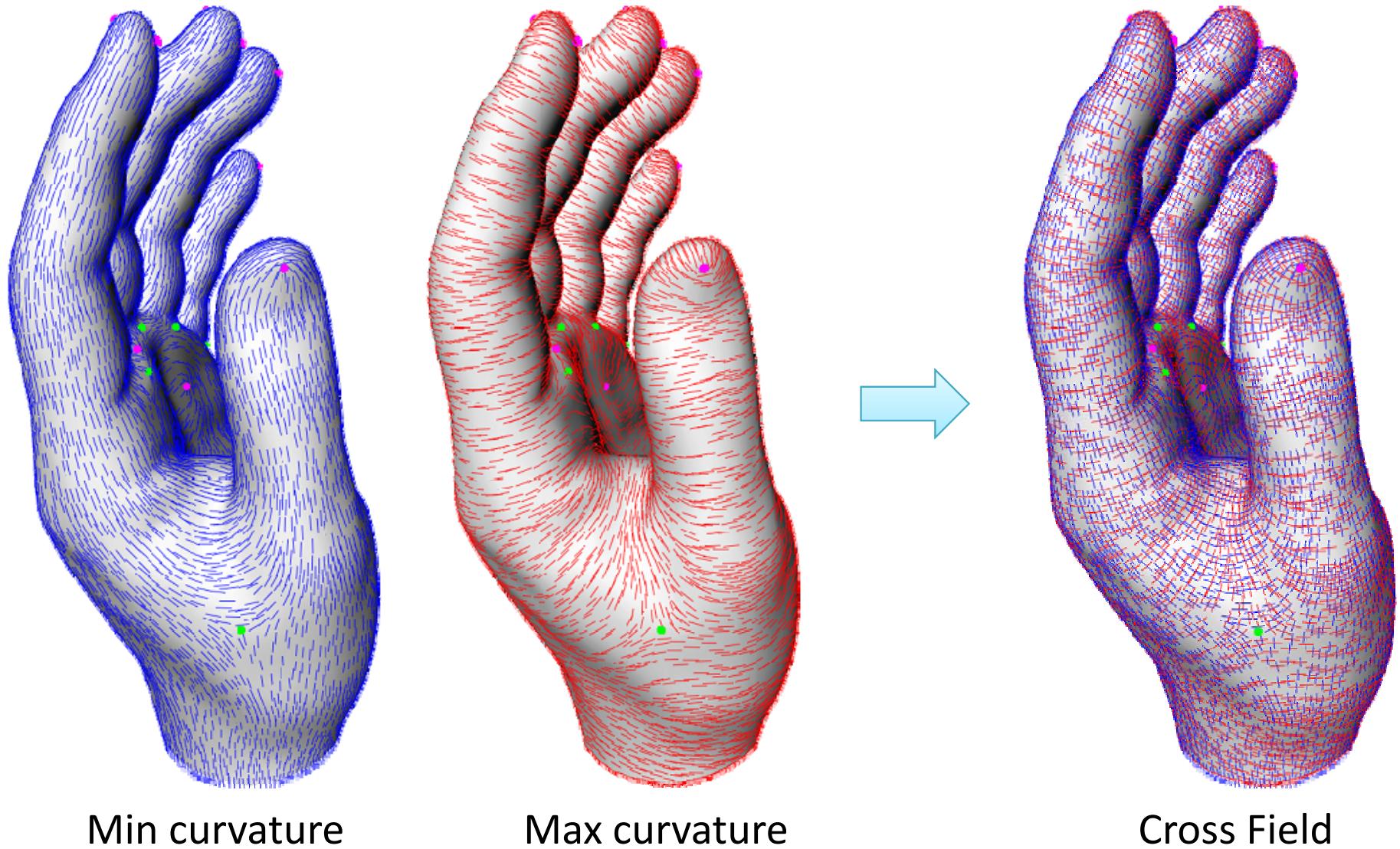


Curvature Directions

Second fundamental form defines local orthogonal frame



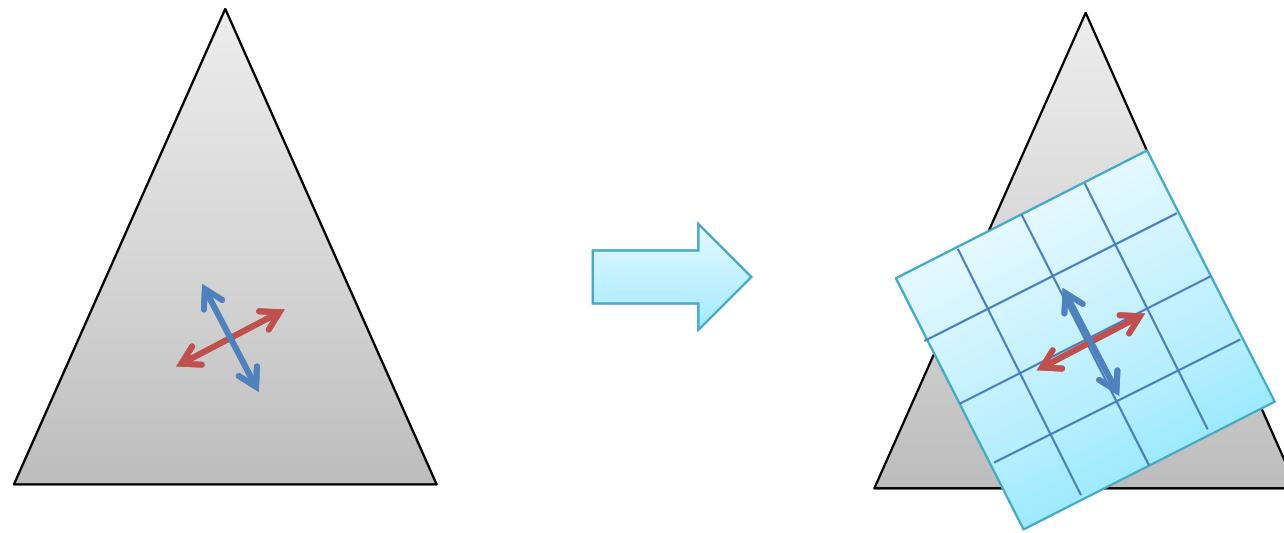
Cross Fields



Cross Fields

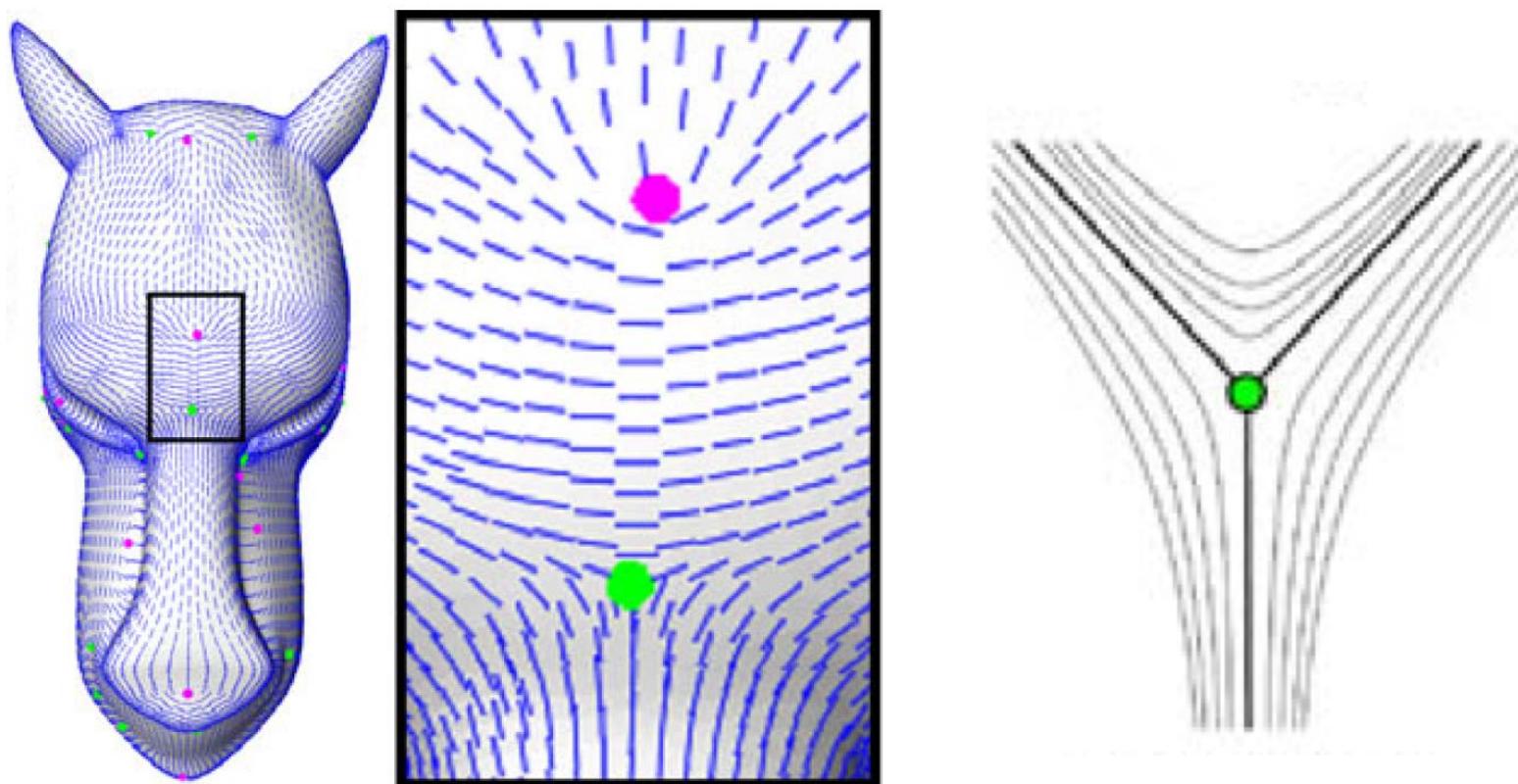
Two orthogonal directions per triangle specify
orientation of quads

Do not specify **sizing**



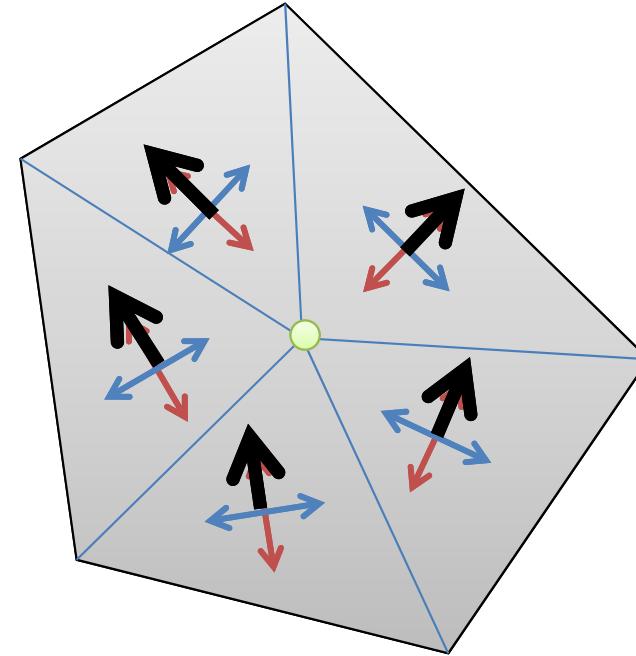
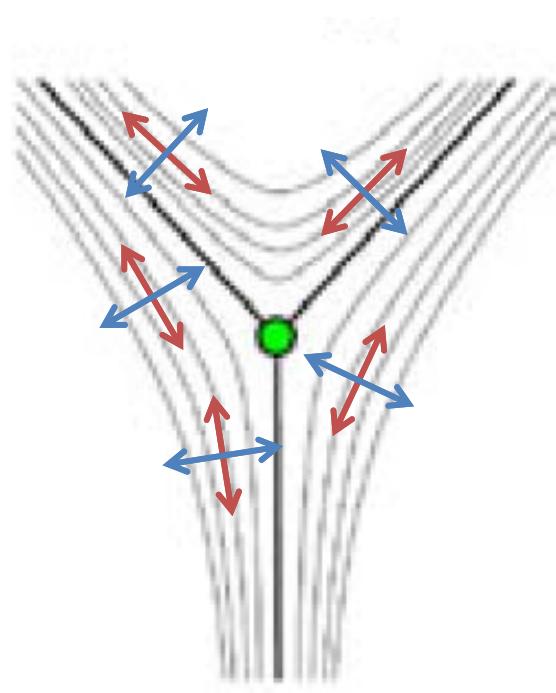
Umbilics

- Minimal curvature = maximal curvature
- No well defined directions locally



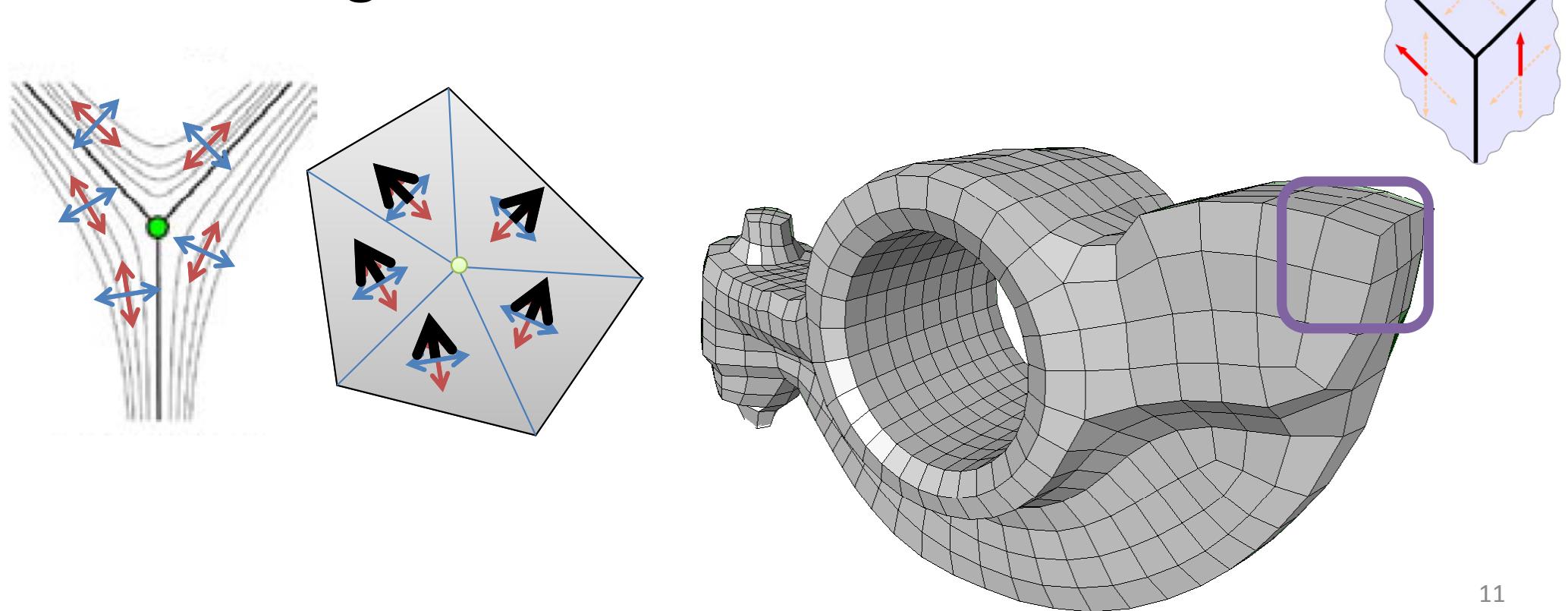
Cross Fields vs. Vector Fields

- Umbilics generate **singularities** in the cross field
- There is no consistent selection of 1 direction which gives a smooth vector field

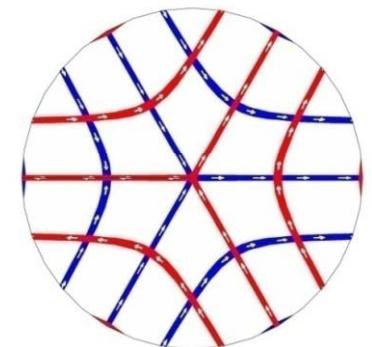
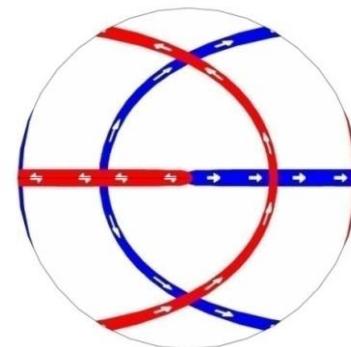
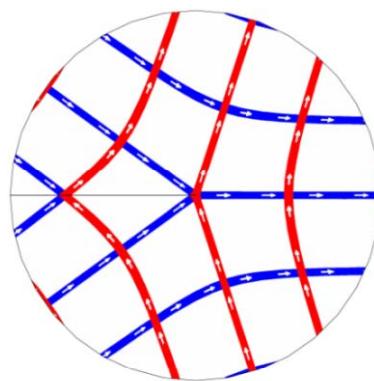
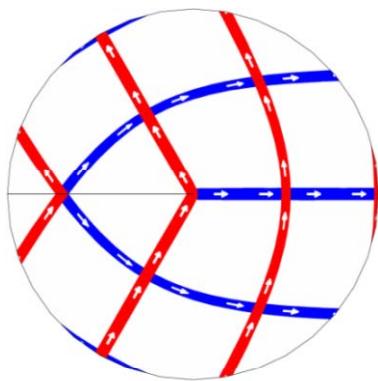
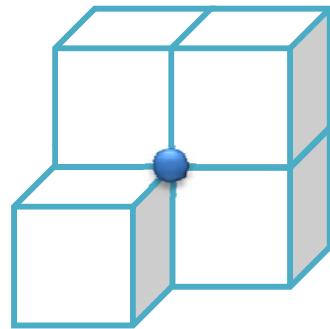
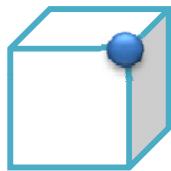


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Singularities in the Wild



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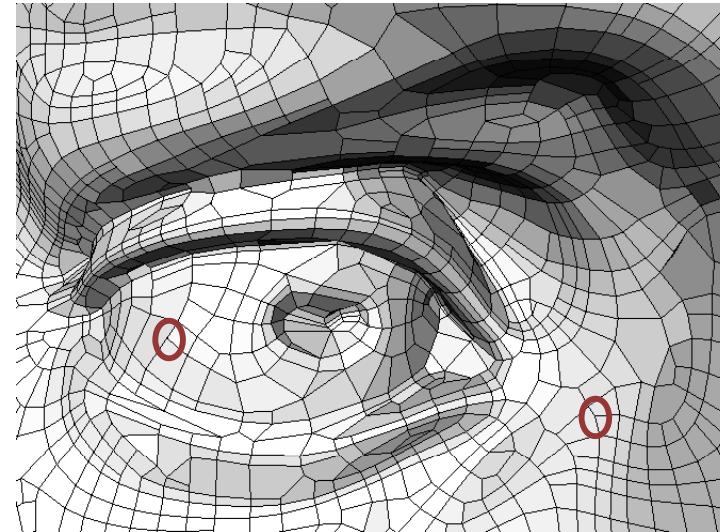
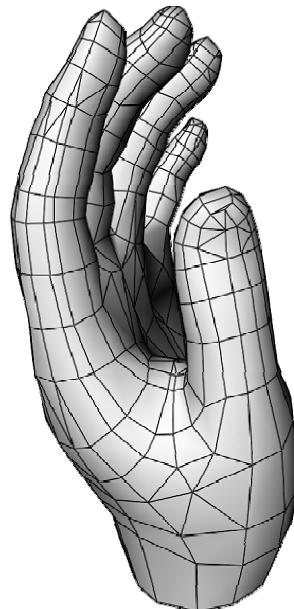
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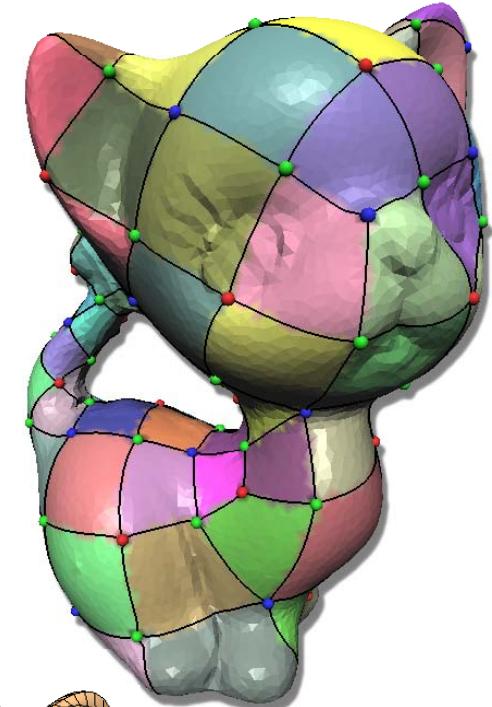
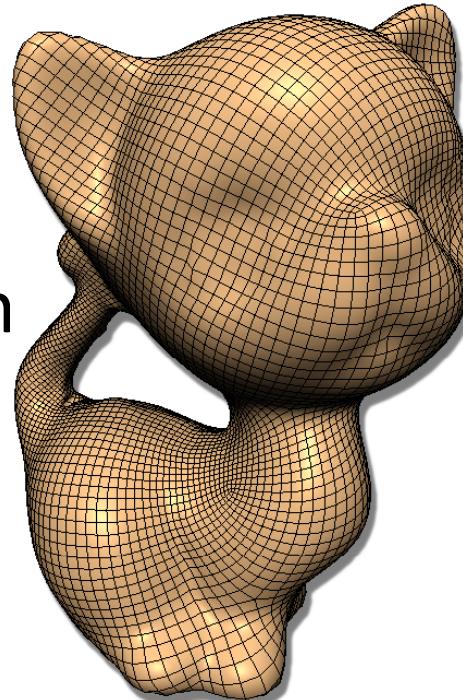
Methods

- Trace curves [Alliez '03, Marinov '04]
 - Generate curves tangent to cross field
 - Intersection of curves → vertices of quad mesh
 - T-Junctions, quad-dominant



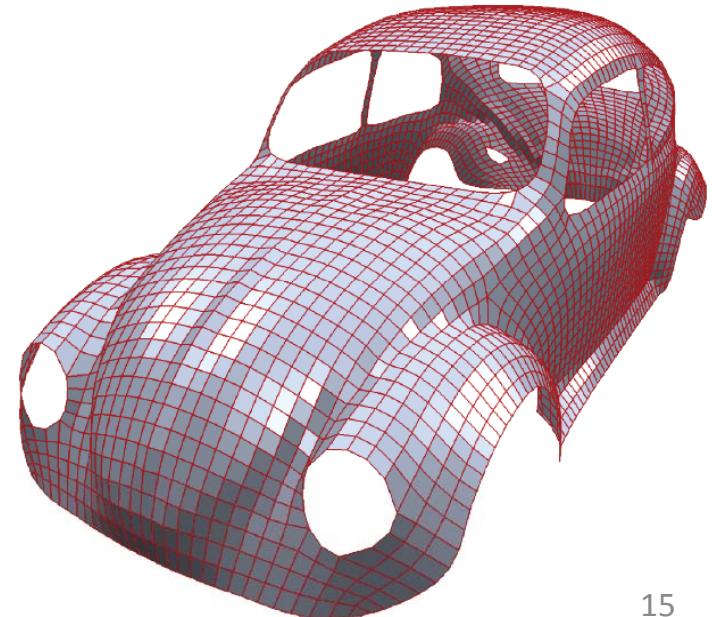
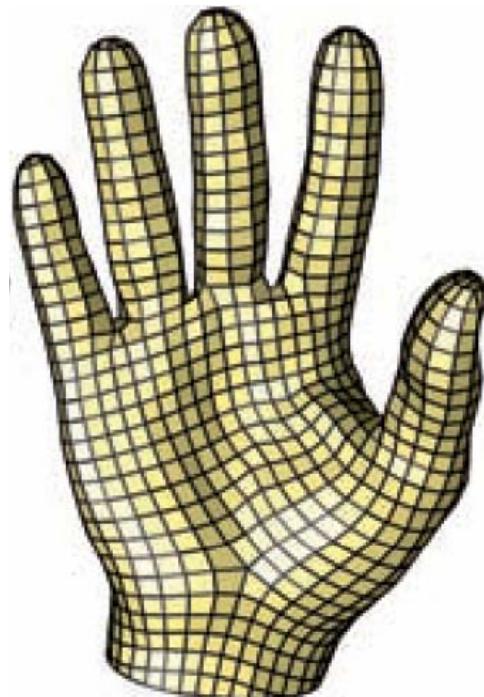
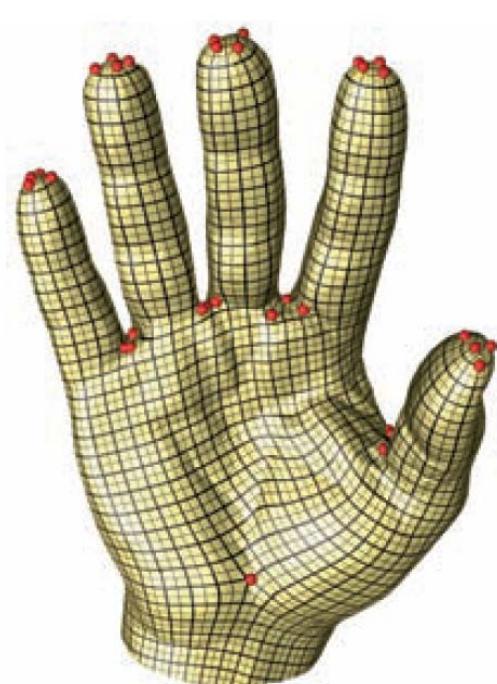
Methods

- Base mesh [Dong '06, Tong '06, Huang '08]
 - Construct coarse quad mesh
 - Refine it while preserving continuity
 - Hard to construct base mesh
 - harder than quad meshing



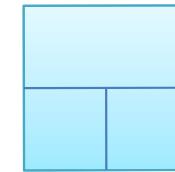
Methods

- **Contouring** [Ray '06, Kalberer '07, Zimmer '09]
 - Find global parameterization (u, v)
 - u and v can change roles!
 - Contour iso- u , iso- v lines



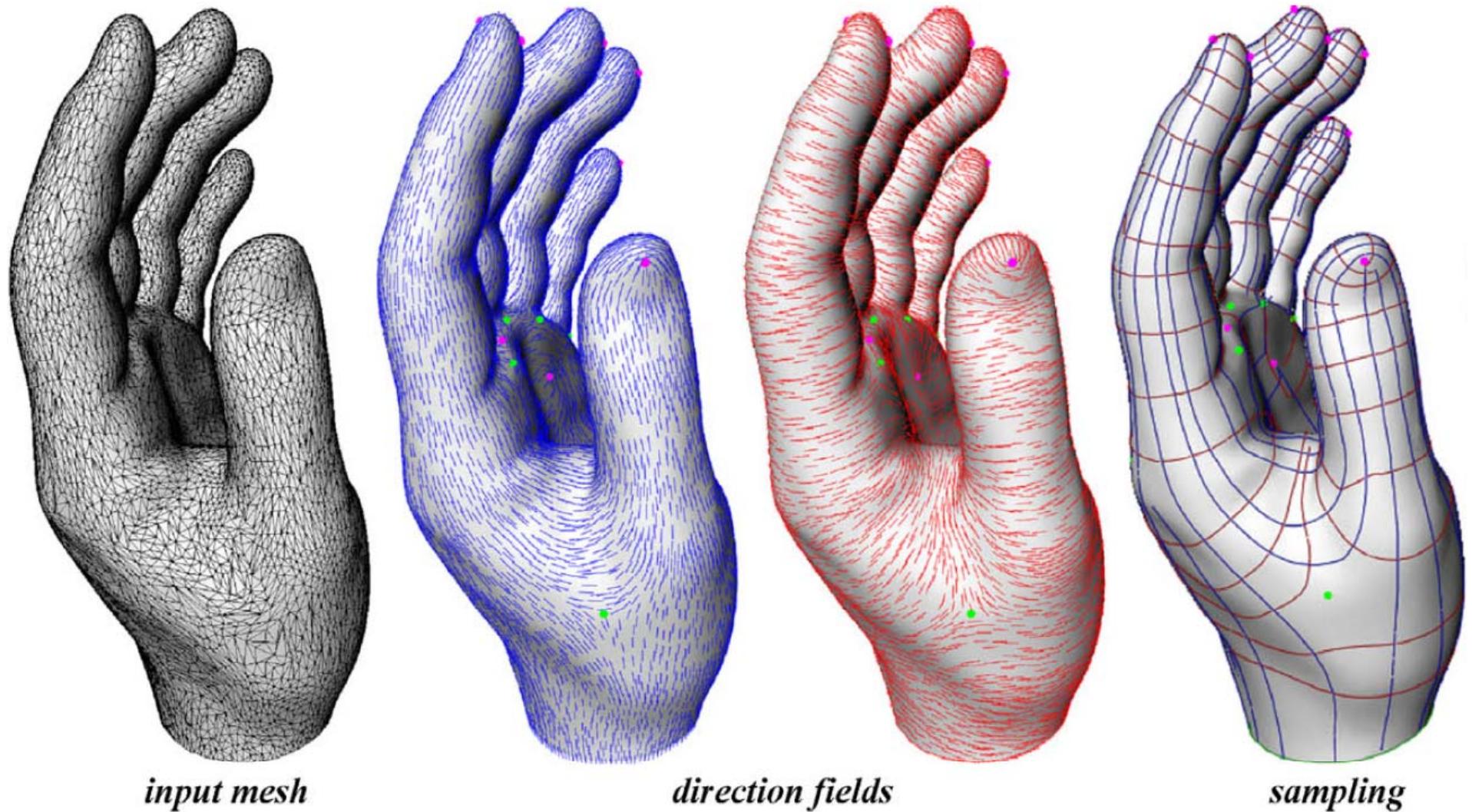
Why is Quad Remeshing Hard?

- Local methods generate T-Junctions
- Base mesh is too restrictive
 - Some good quad meshes do not have a base mesh
- Can't have both uniformity and alignment to curvature directions unless special surface
- **Locations and valences of singular vertices have a global effect**



Anisotropic Polygonal Remeshing

[Alliez et al. '03]



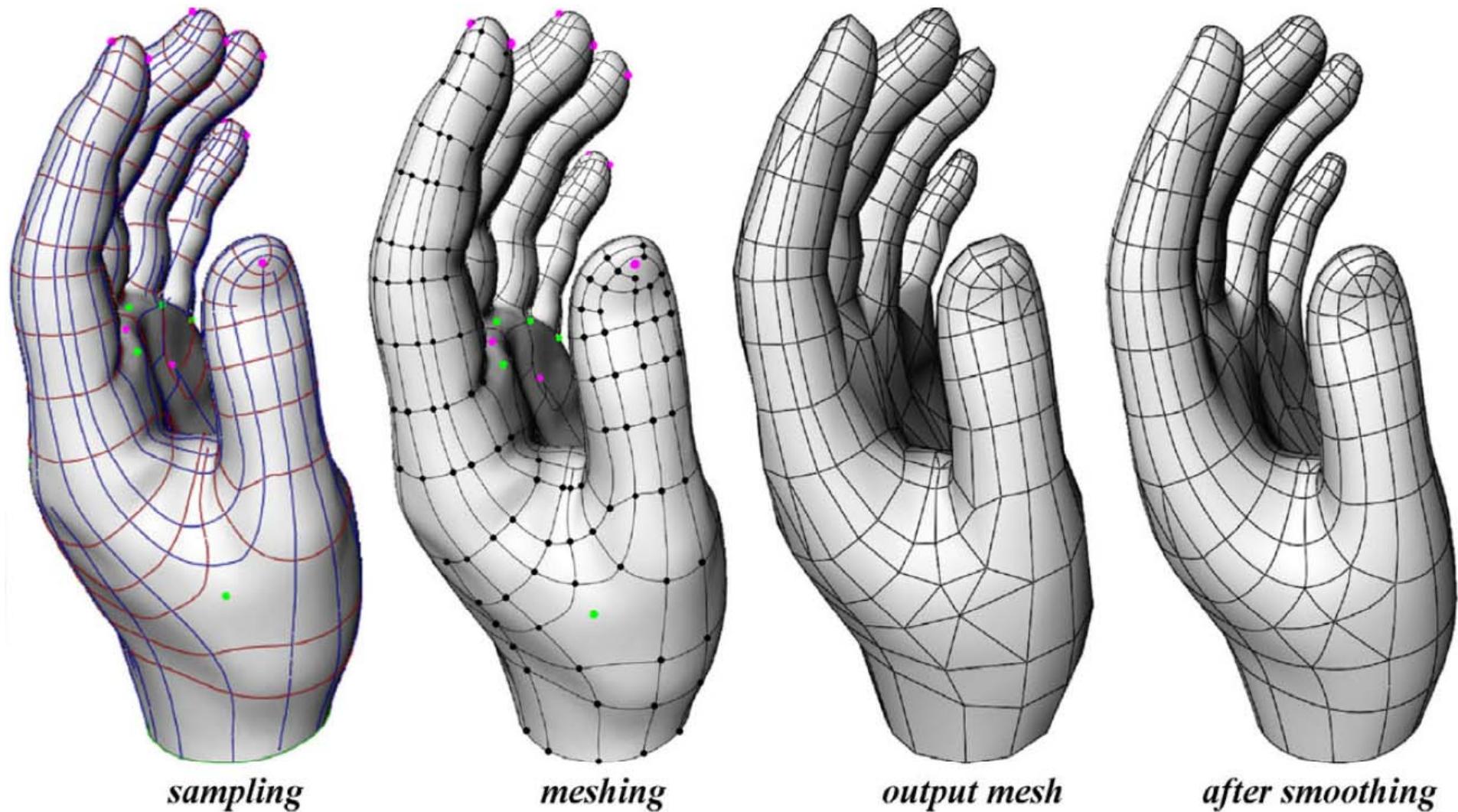
input mesh

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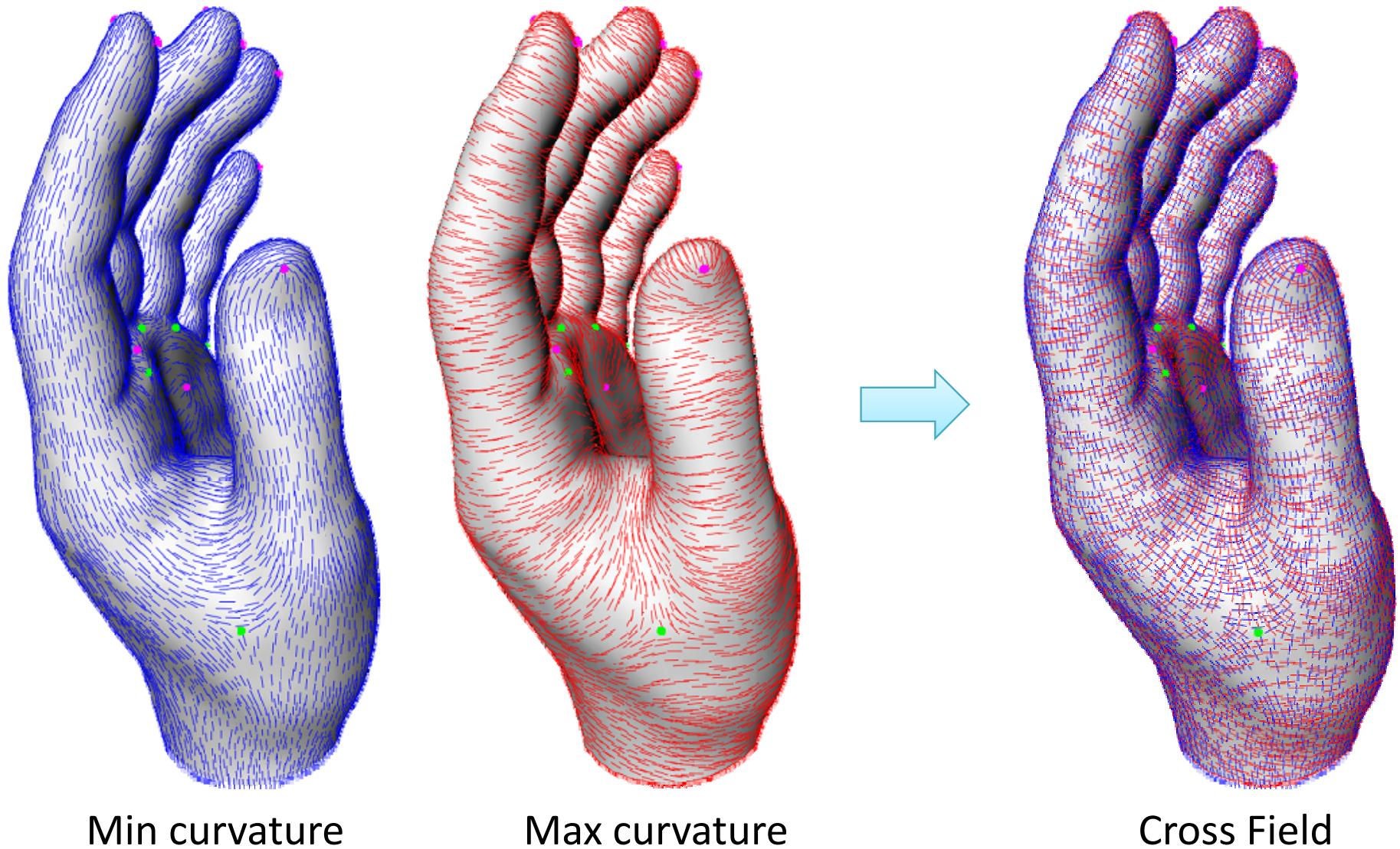
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Anisotropic Polygonal Remeshing

[Alliez et al. '03]



0. Compute Curvature Directions



Min curvature

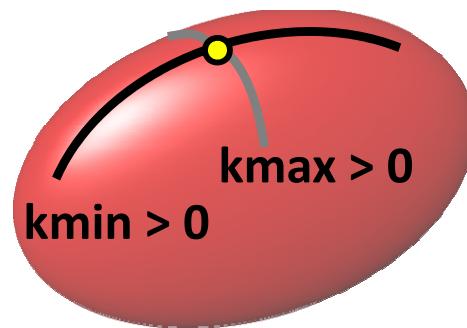
Max curvature

Cross Field

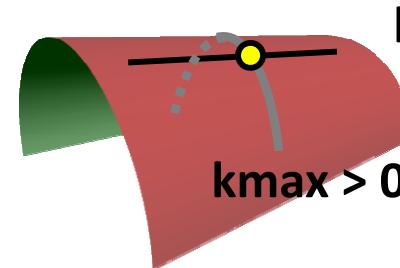
3D Curvature Tensor

Anisotropic

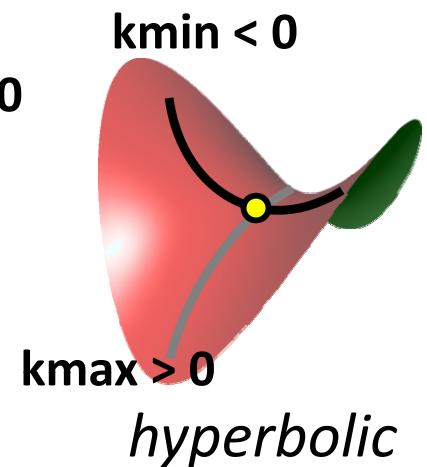
2 principal
directions



elliptic

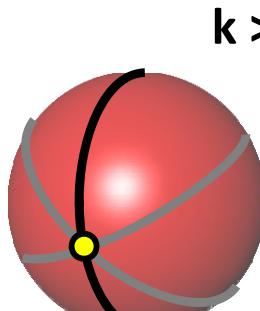


parabolic

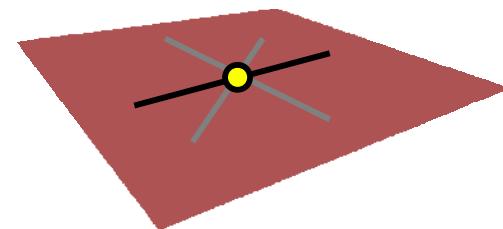


hyperbolic

Isotropic

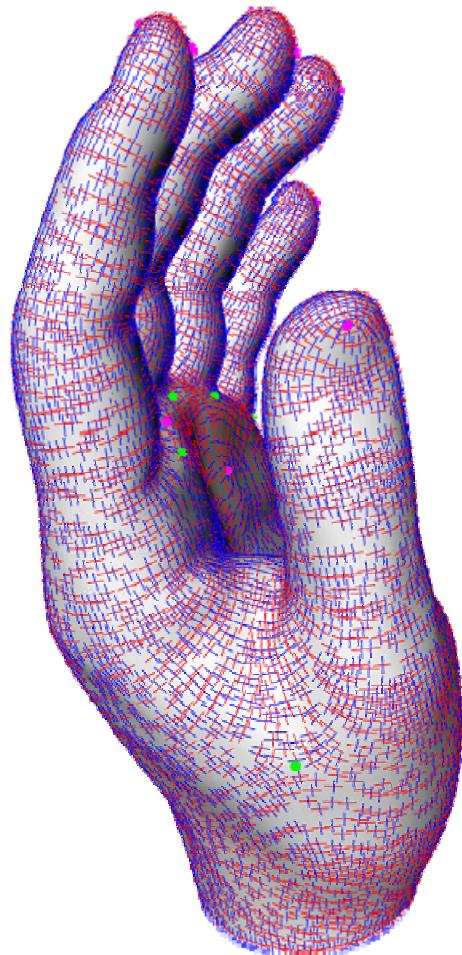


spherical

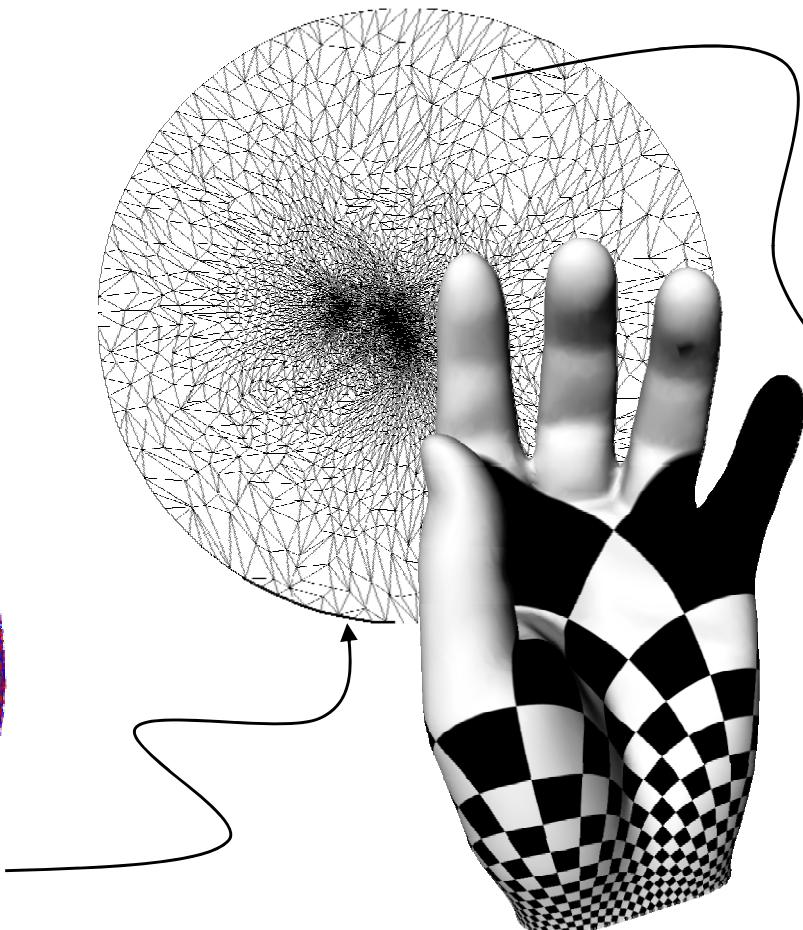


planar

1. Flatten to 2D

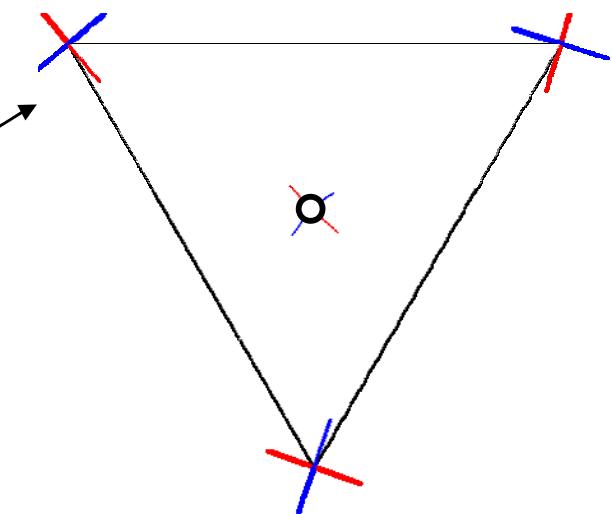


one 3D tensor
per vertex



discrete conformal
parameterization

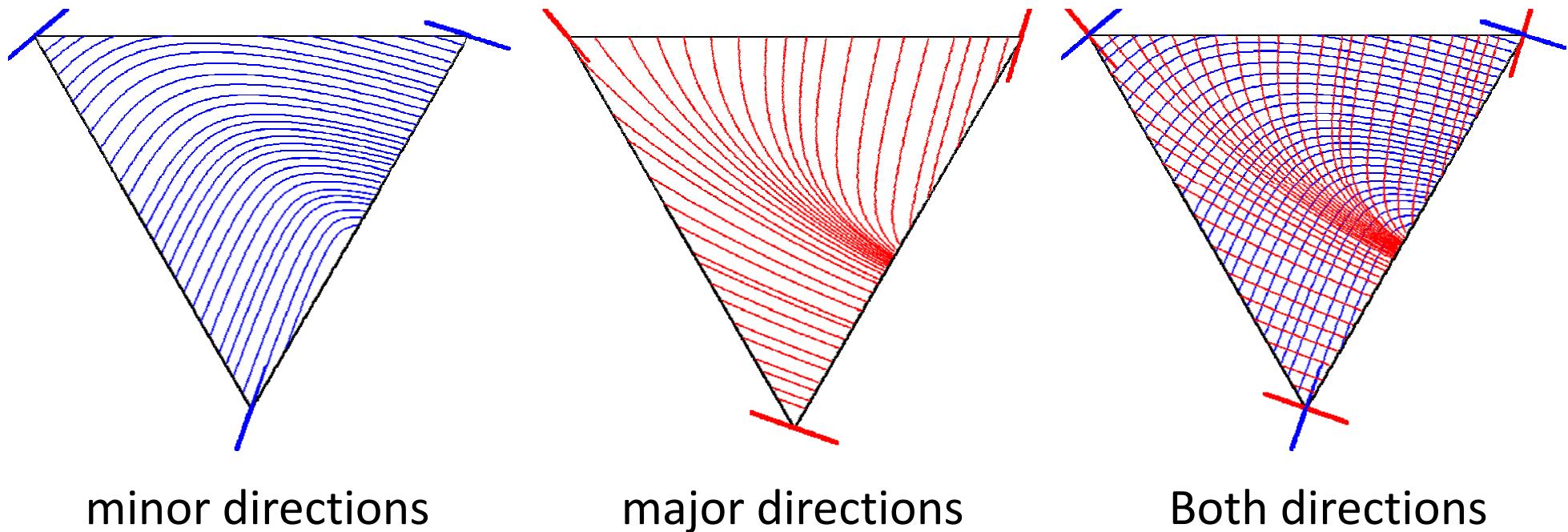
piecewise linear
interpolation of
2D tensors



2D tensor **field**
using barycentric
coordinates

2. Find Singularities

- Regular case

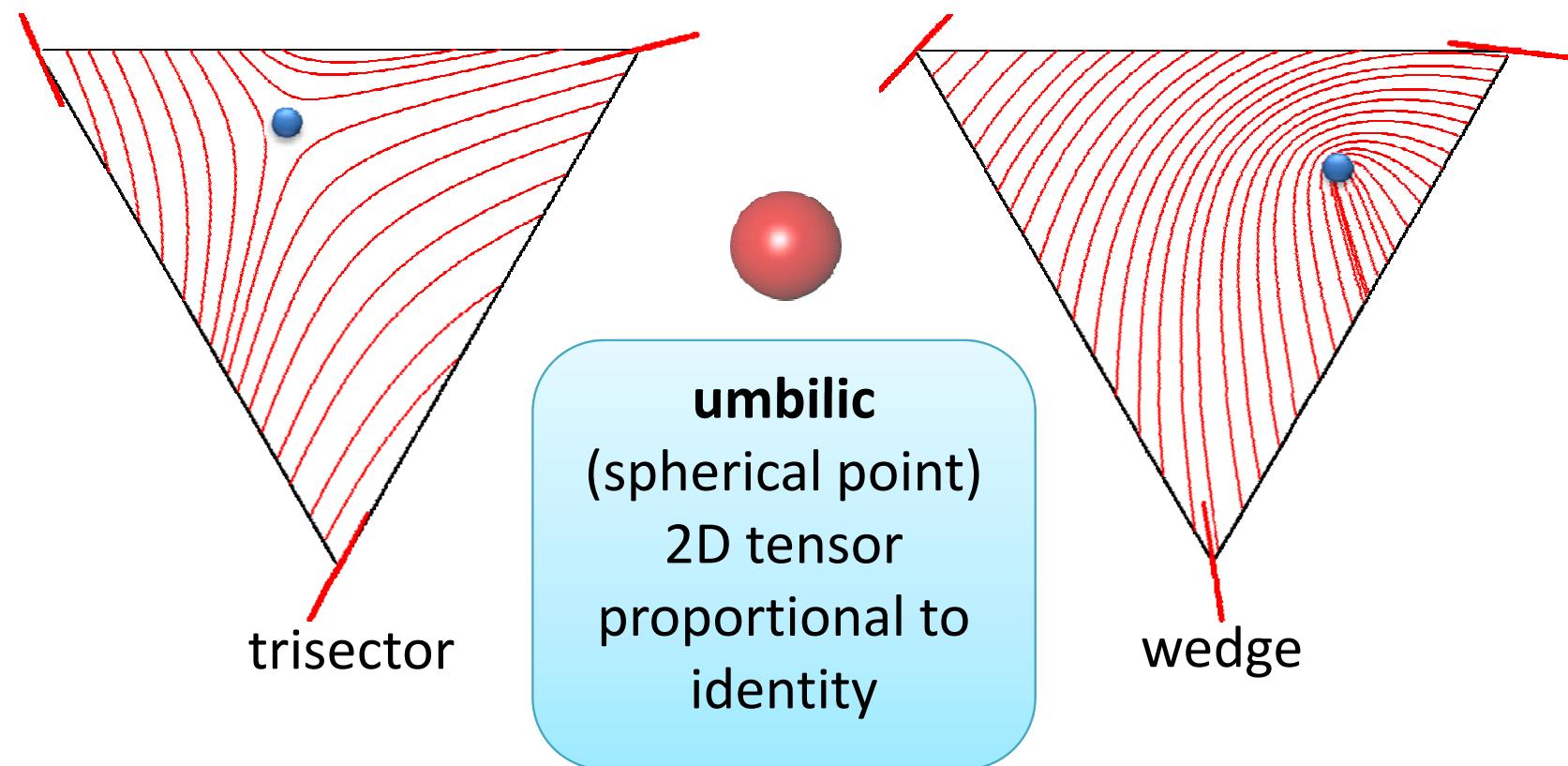


minor directions

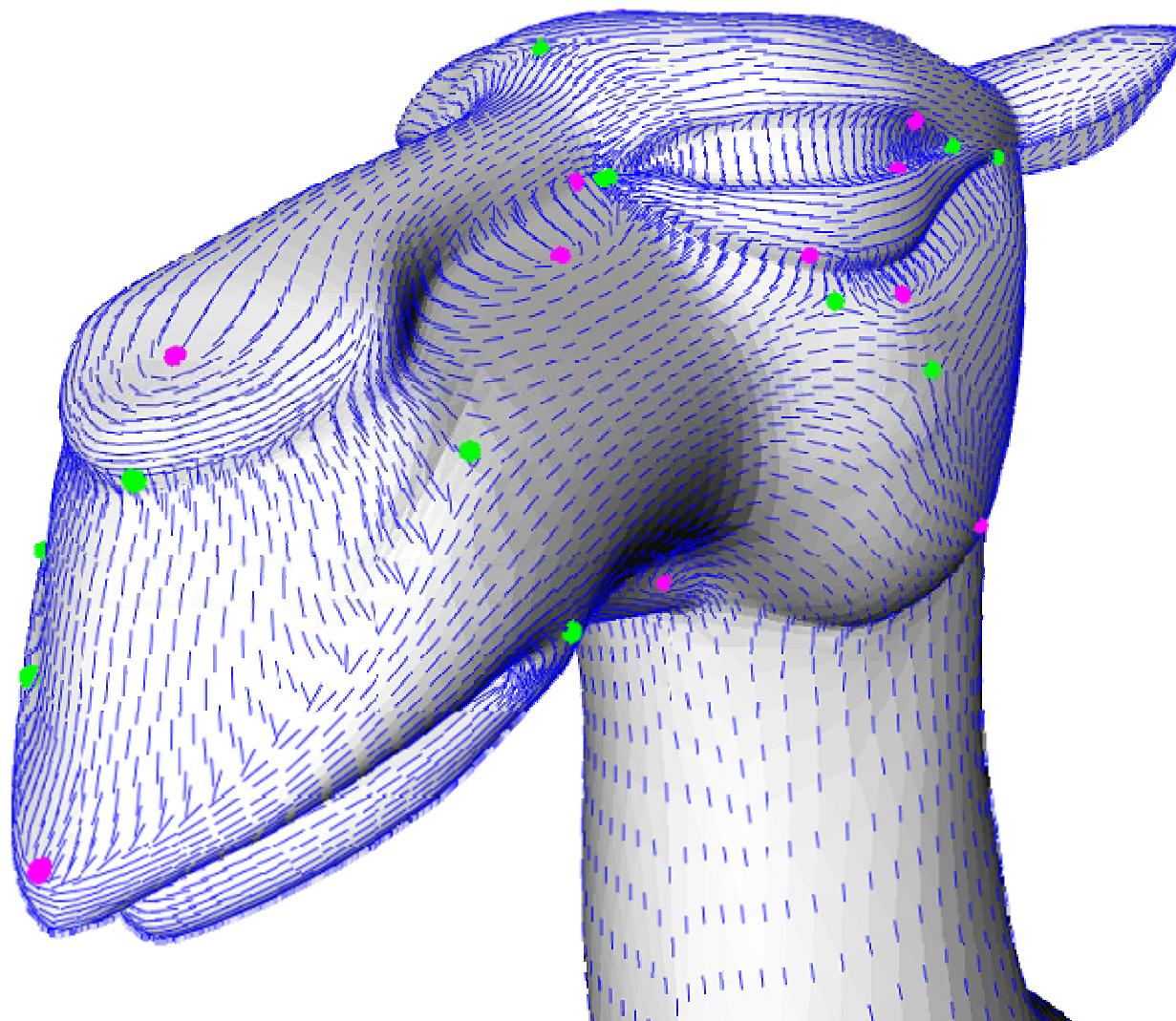
major directions

Both directions

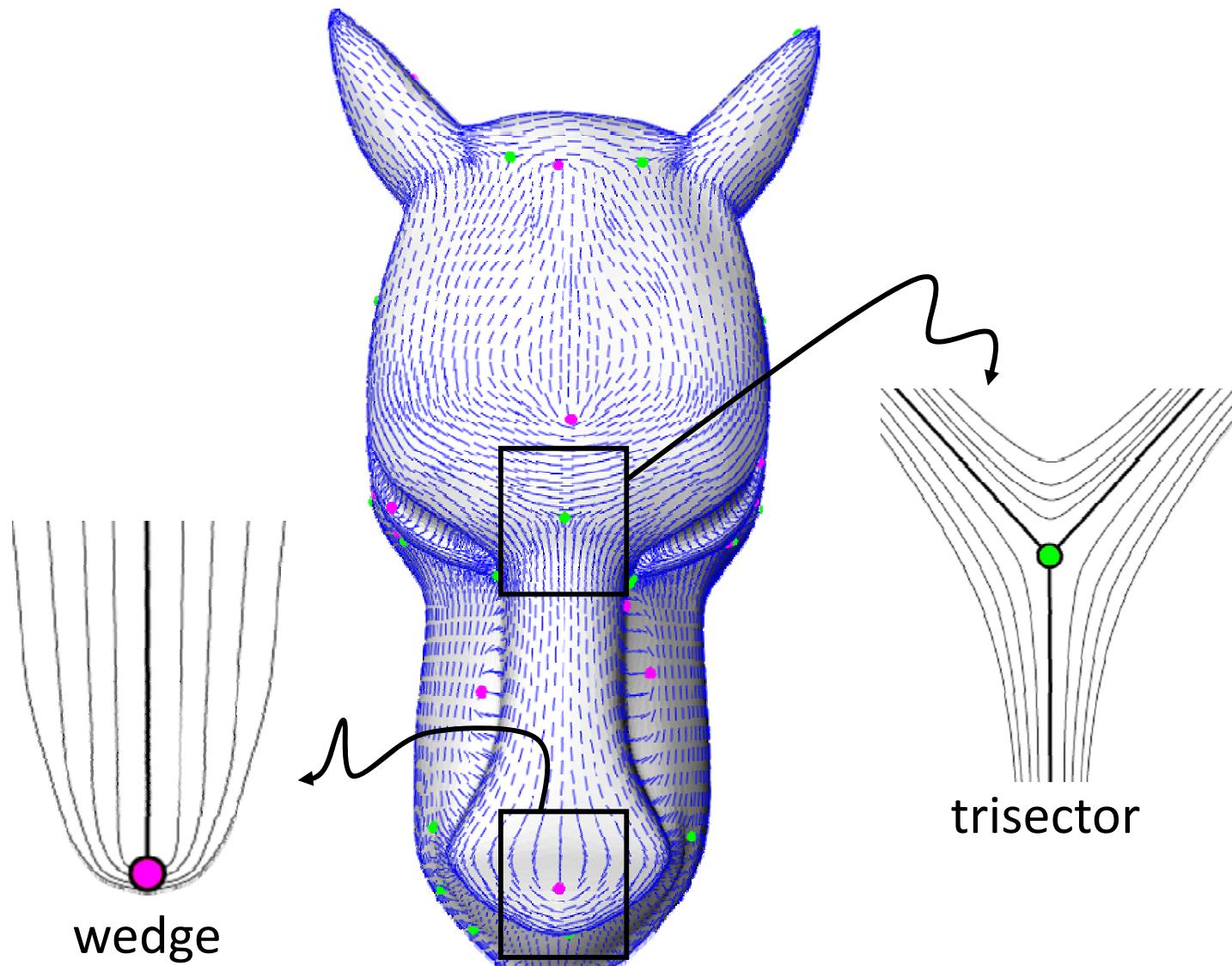
2. Find Singularities



Umbilics

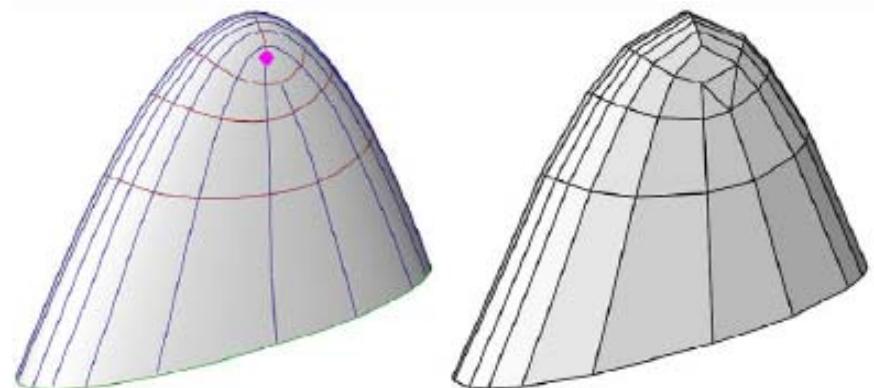


Umbilics

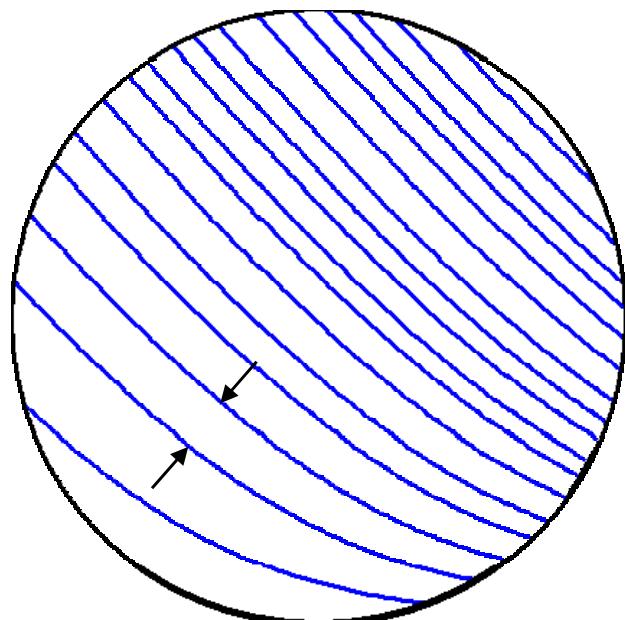


3. Trace Curvature Lines

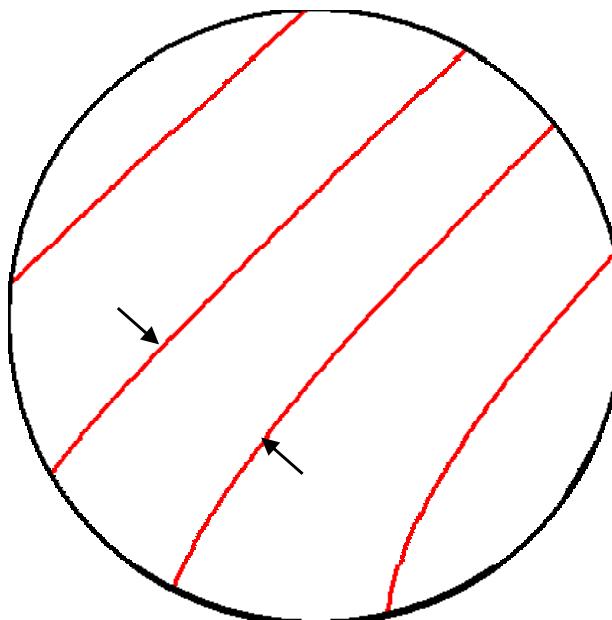
- Numerical integration of curvature directions
- Need to take care of:
 - Choosing seed points
 - Spacing of lines
 - Numerical stability



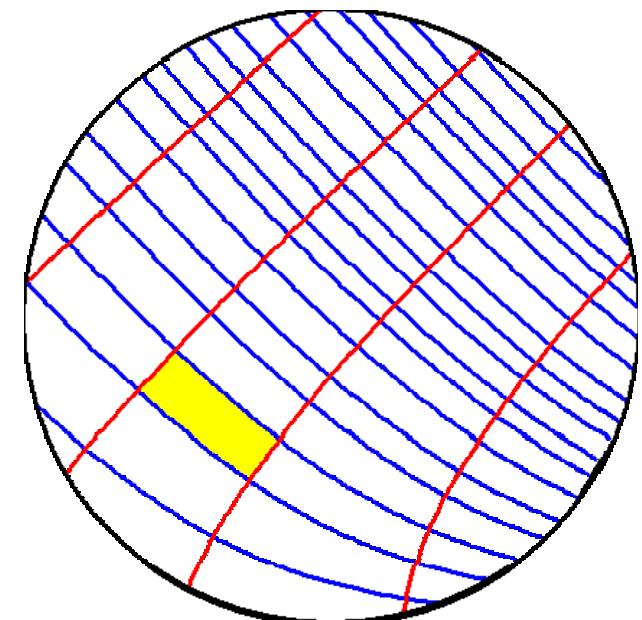
3. Trace Curvature Lines



minor net

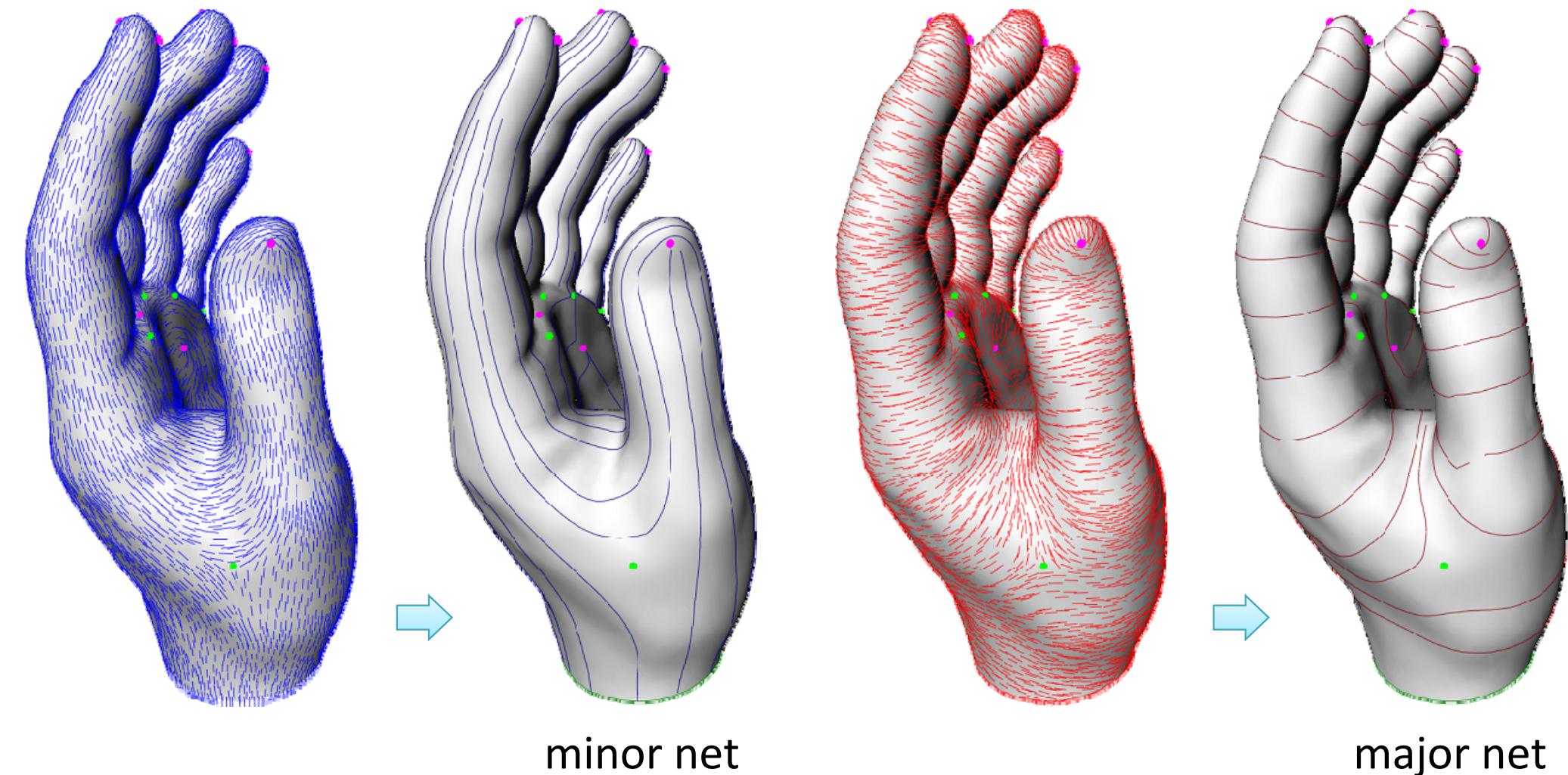


major net



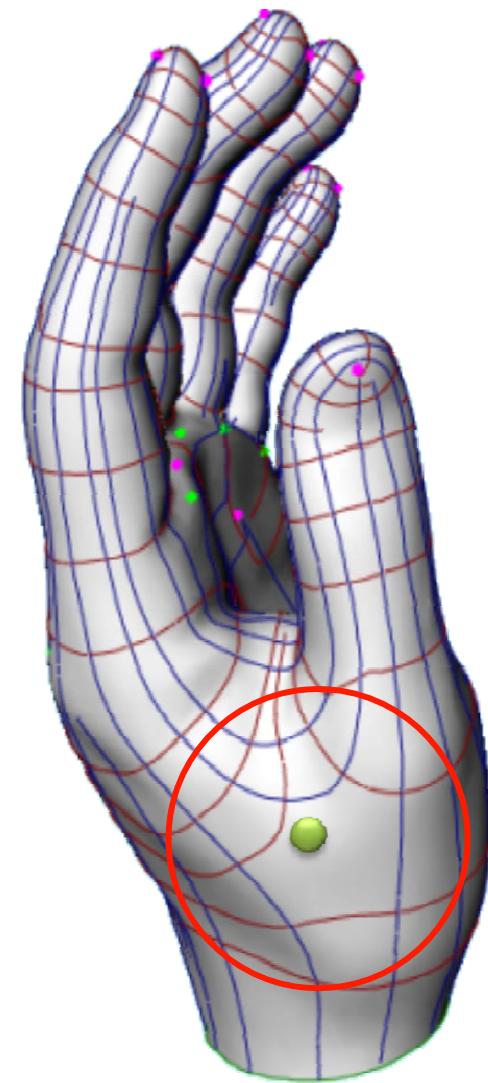
overlay

3. Trace Curvature Lines



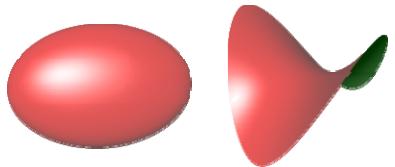
4. Overlay

- Overlay curvature lines in anisotropic regions
- Add umbilic points in isotropic regions

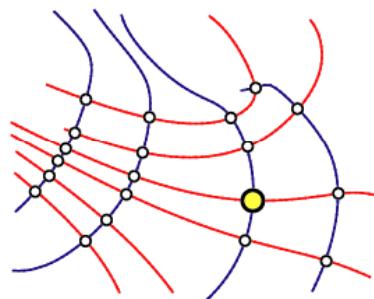


5. Meshing

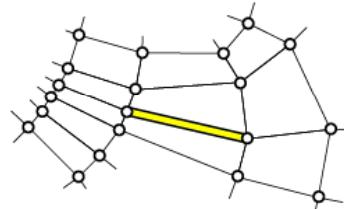
anisotropic areas
(elliptic or hyperbolic)



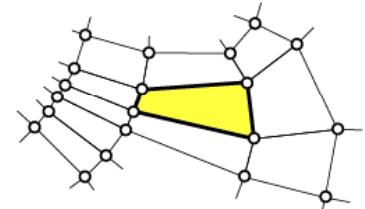
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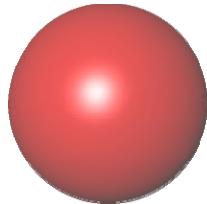
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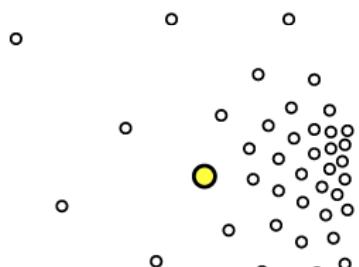
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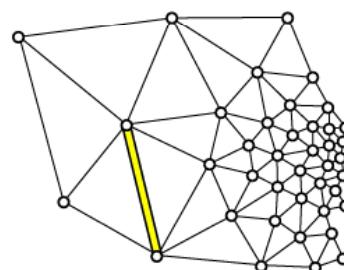
isotropic areas
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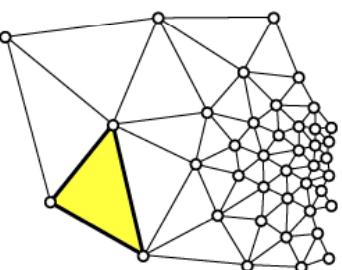
vertices (points)



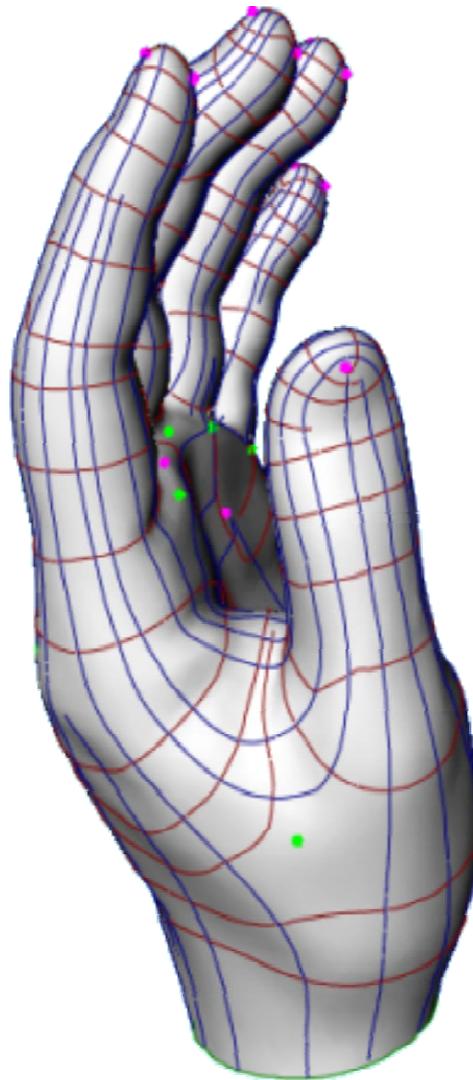
edges (Delaunay)



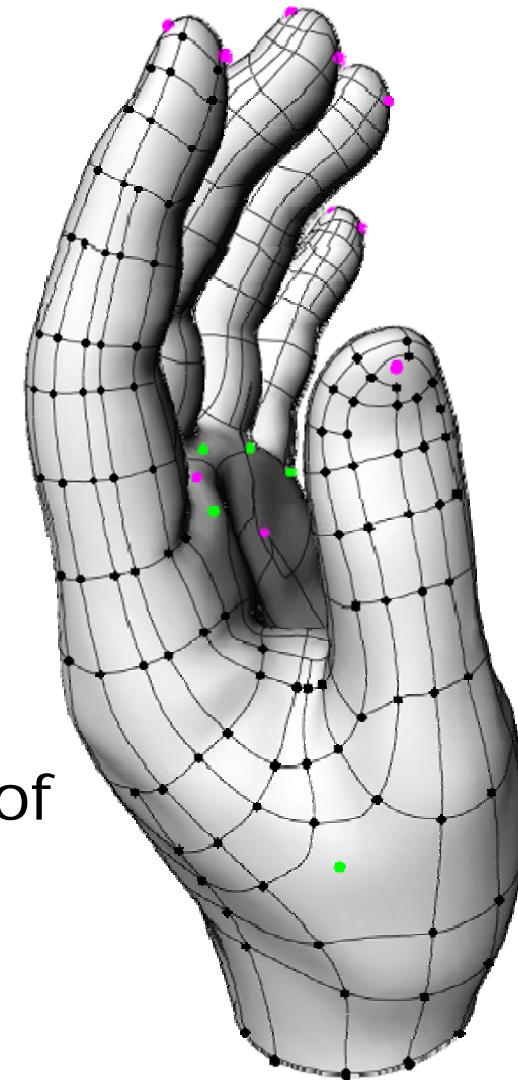
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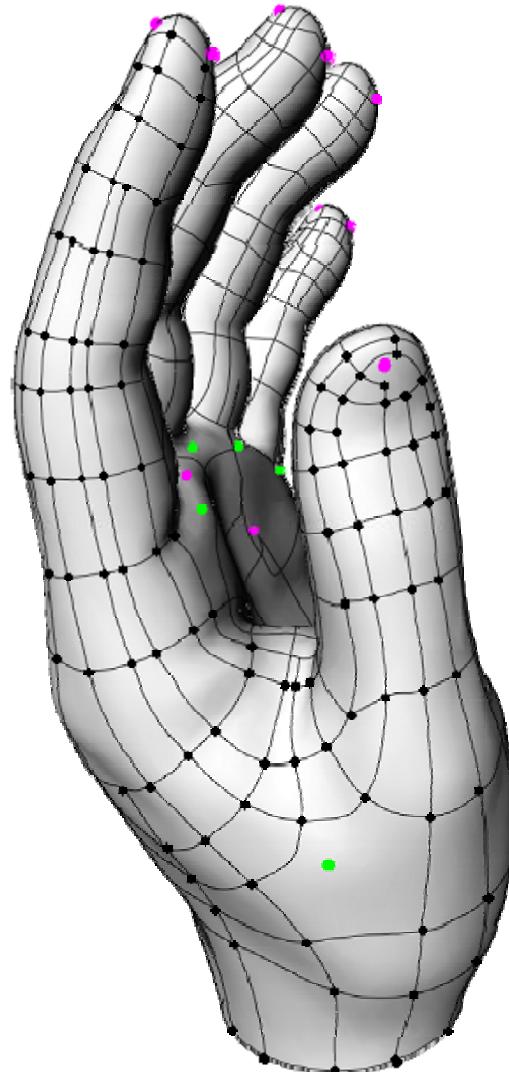
5. Meshing Vertices



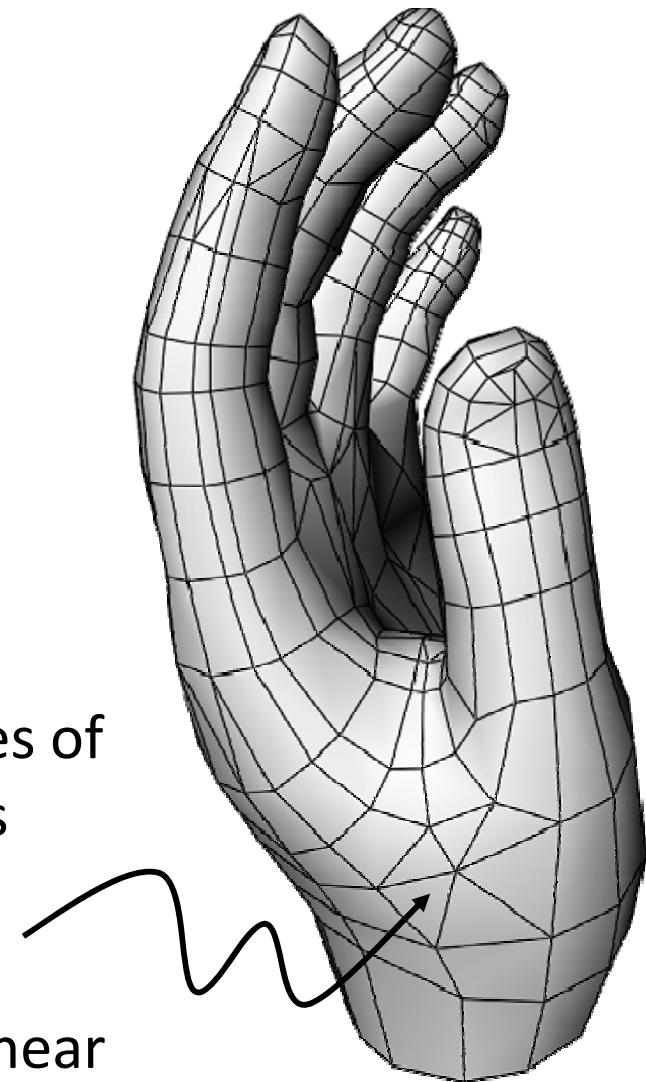
intersect lines of
curvatures



5. Meshing Edges

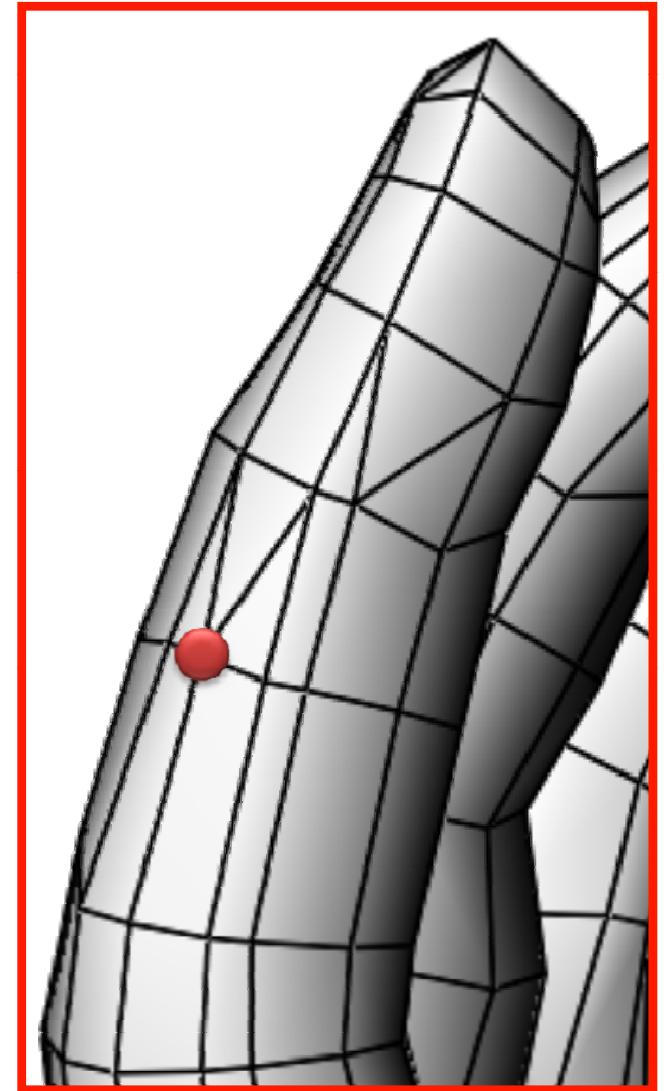
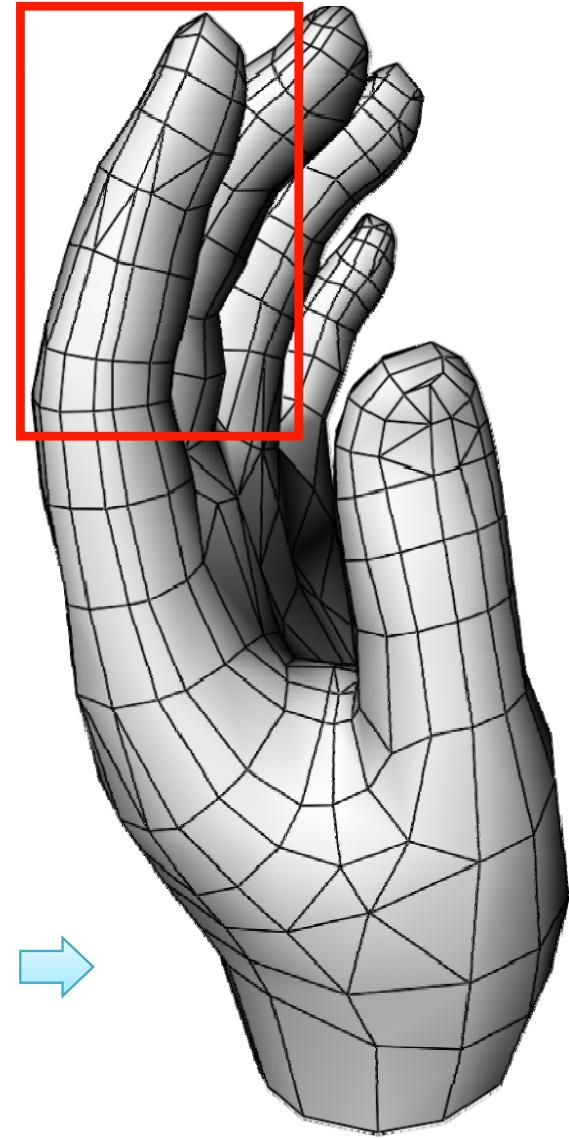
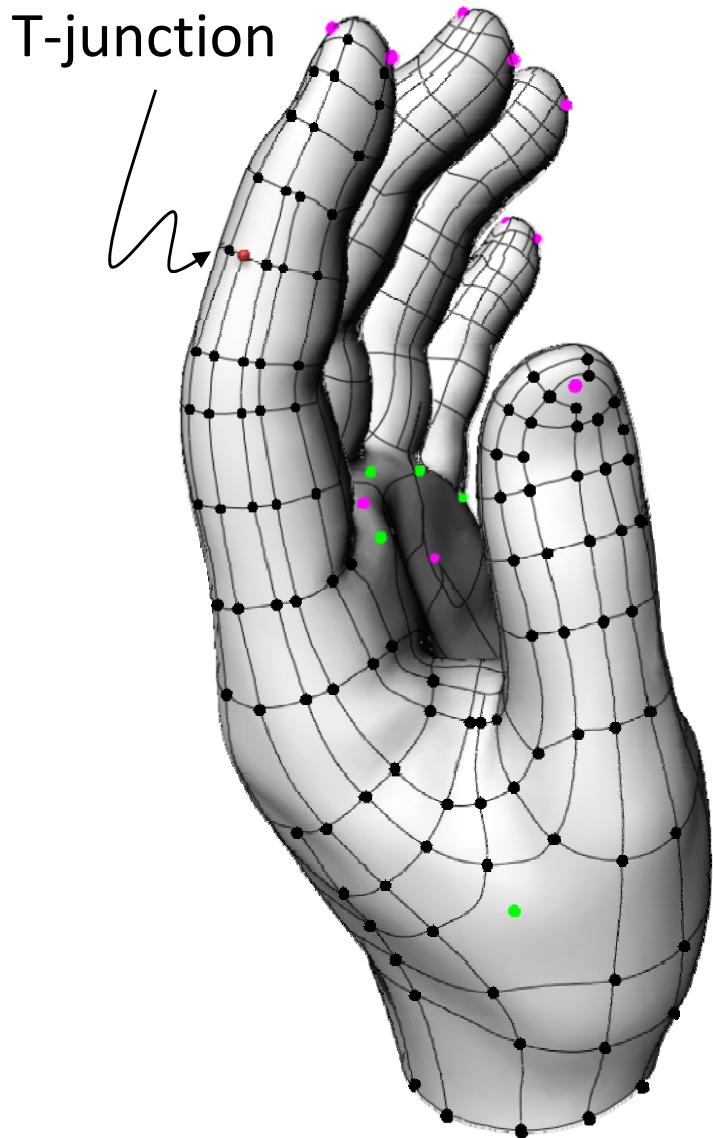


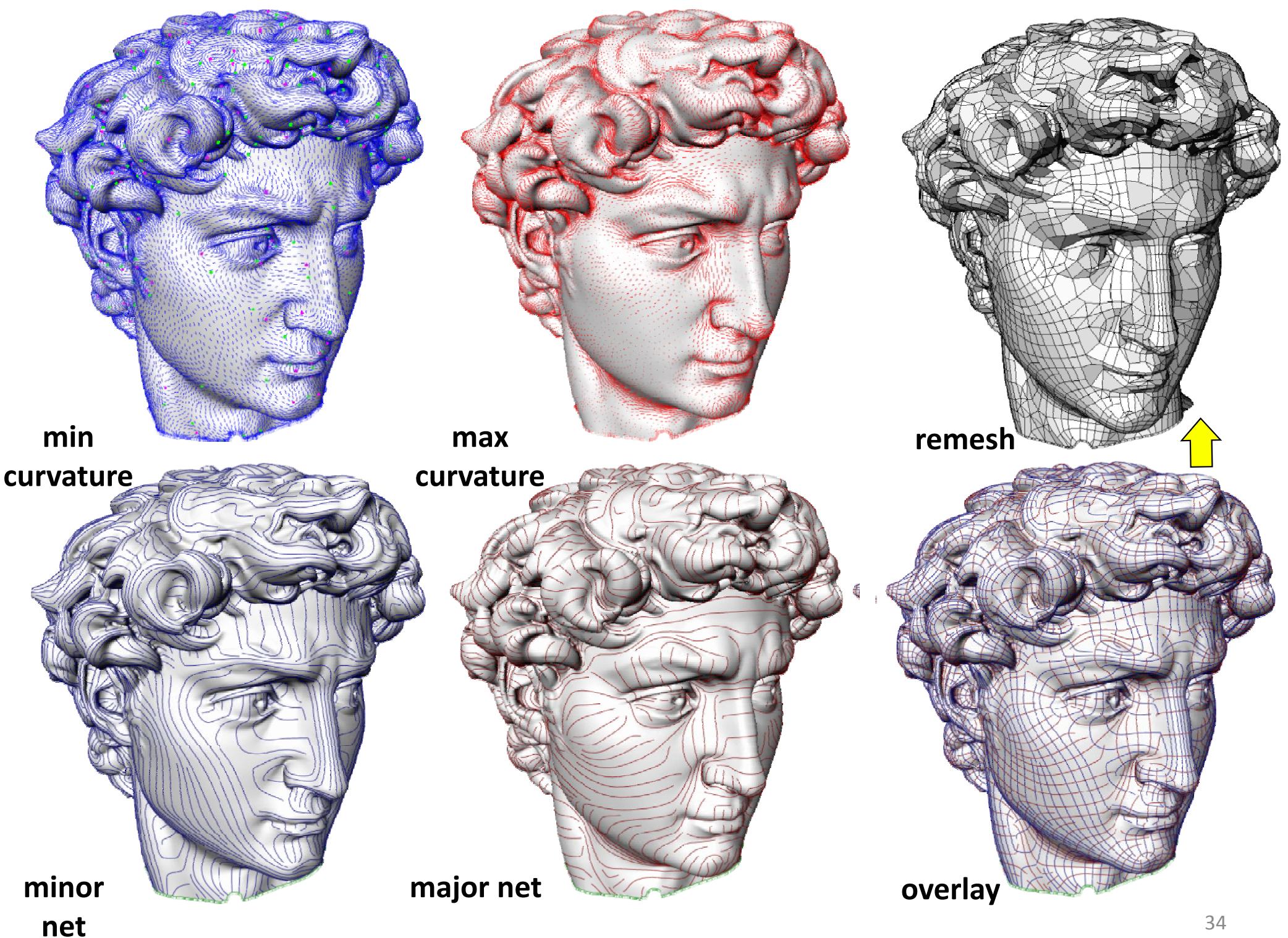
straighten lines of
curvatures
+
Delaunay
triangulation near
umbilics



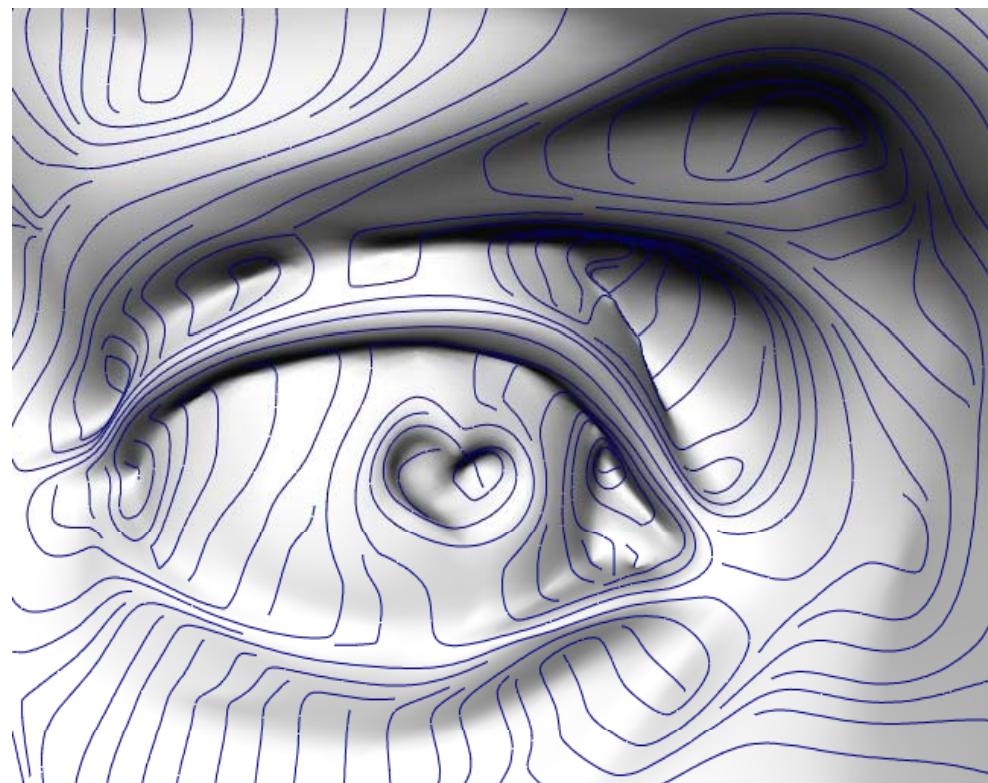
5. Meshing

Resolve T-Junctions

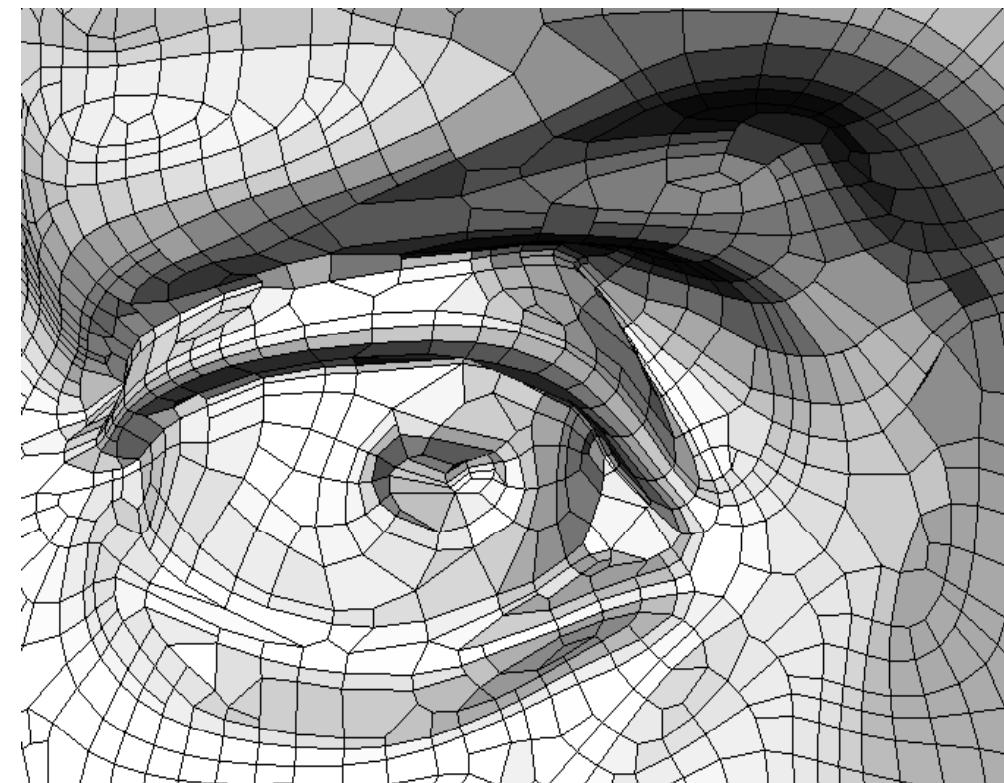




Close-up



minor net



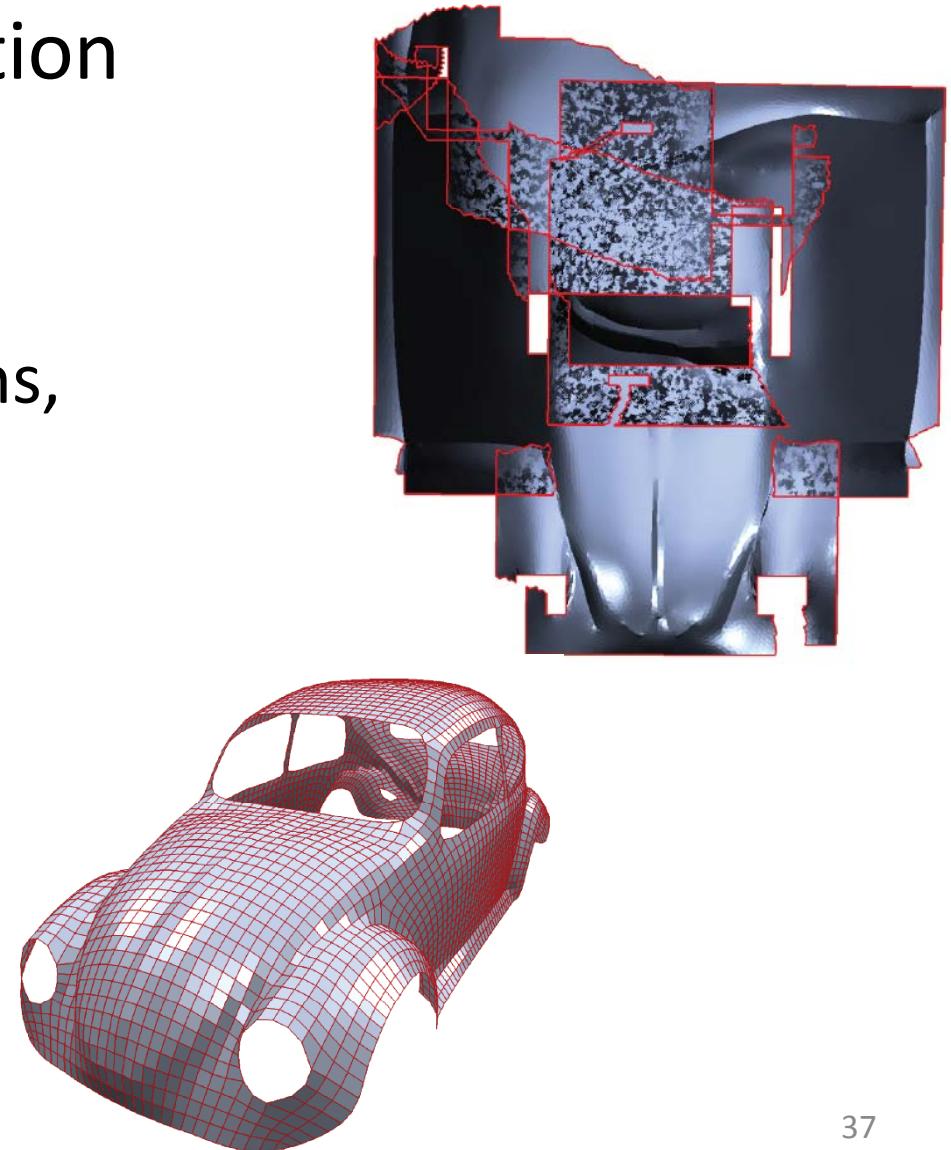
remesh

Limitations

- Global parameterization
 - Smart cutting required
 - Low distortion parameterization
 - Numerical issues
- Lines of curvature
 - Robust curvature tensor computation
 - Tensor smoothing required
 - Optimal placement of streamlines difficult
- Contains non-quad elements

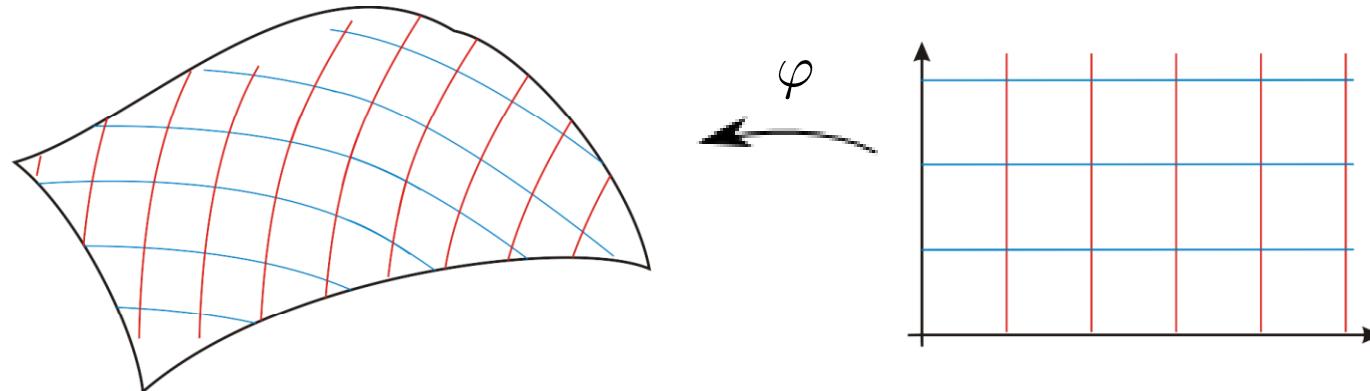
Global Parameterization with Cone Points

- Find global parameterization s.t. gradients align with input cross-field
 - Can be curvature directions, or any other
- Quad mesh easy to generate:
 - Take 2D grid covered by parameterization

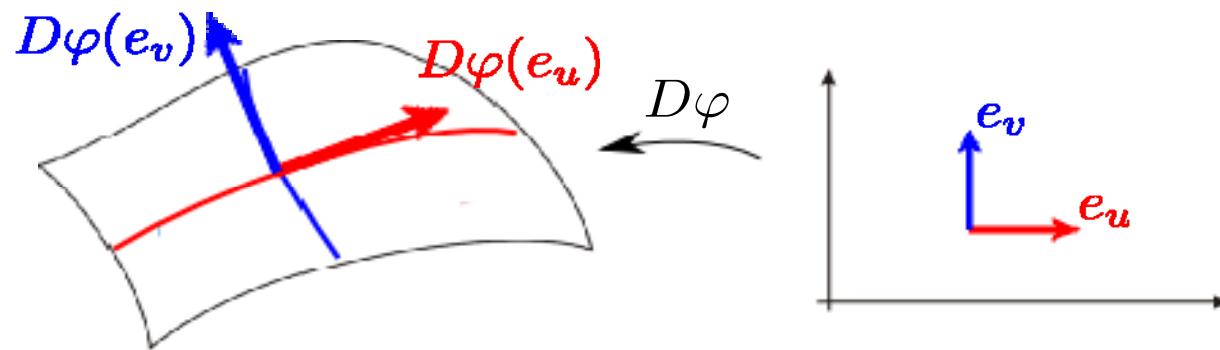


QuadCover [Kalberer '07]

The parameter function ...



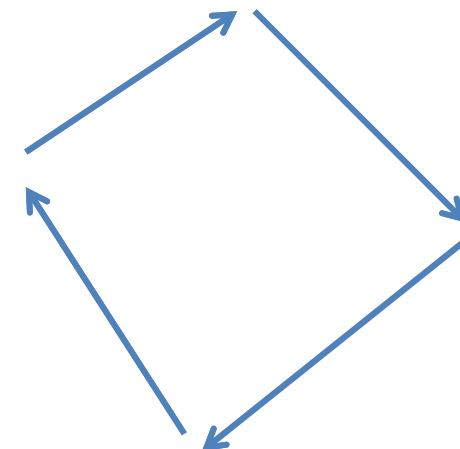
... has two gradient vector fields:



Integration of input fields yields parameterization.

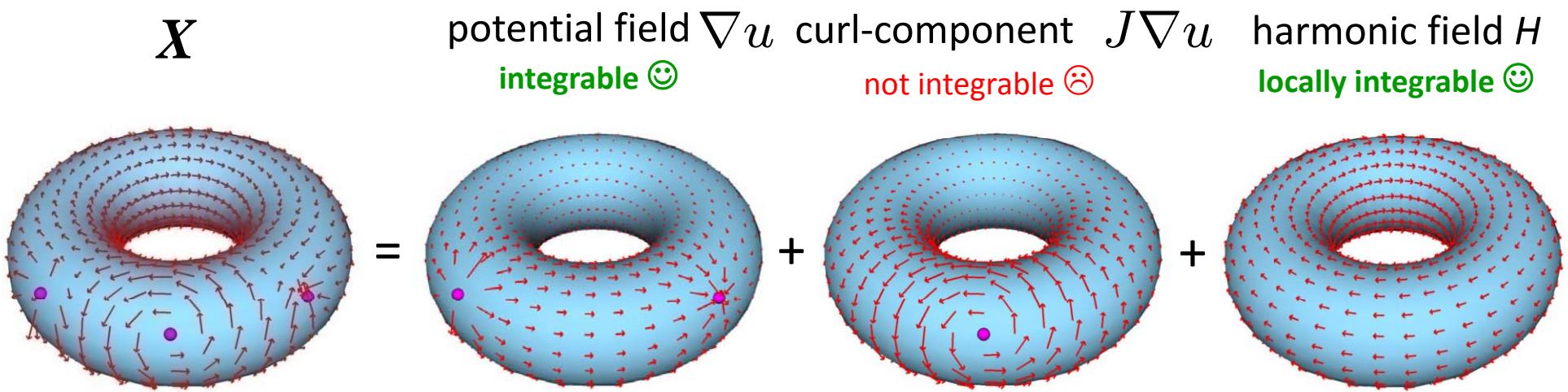
Integrability

- Given f find g s.t. $f = \nabla g$
- Only possible if f is “*integrable*”
- A vector field U is *locally integrable* iff
 $\nabla \times U = 0$
 - No closed local loops!



Hodge-Helmholtz Decomposition

The space of vector fields on any surface decomposes into:



Assure Local Integrability

Problem: cross field K is usually **not locally integrable**

Solution: (assume frame K splits into two vector fields)

1. Compute Hodge-Helmholtz Decomposition K_1, K_2
2. Remove curl-component (non-integrable part) of K_1, K_2

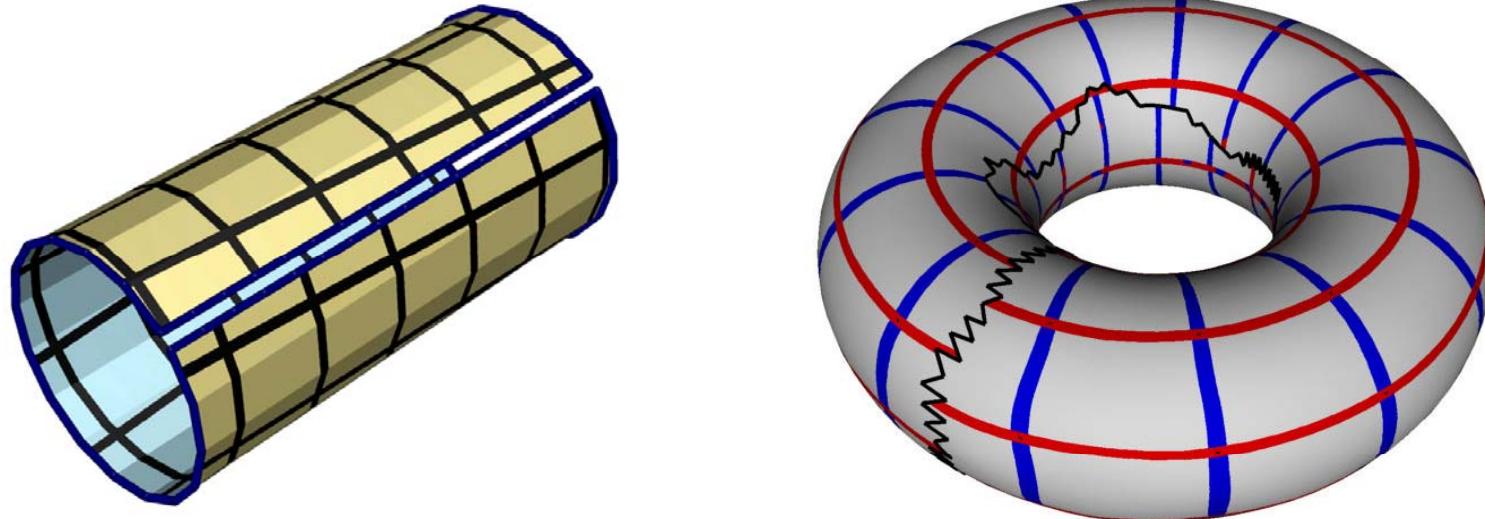
$$X_1 := K_1 - J\nabla v_1 = \nabla u_1 + \cancel{J\nabla v_1} + H_1$$

$$X_2 := K_2 - J\nabla v_2 = \nabla u_2 + \cancel{J\nabla v_2} + H_2$$

Result: new cross field $X = (X_1, X_2)$ is **locally integrable**

Global Integrability

Problem: mismatch of parameter lines around closed loops



Solution: mismatch of parameter lines around closed loops

1. Compute Homology generators (= basis of all closed loops)
2. Measure mismatch along Homology generator (next slide...)

Assure Global Integrability

Solution: (... cont'ed)

2. Measure mismatch along Homology generator γ as curve integrals of both vector fields:

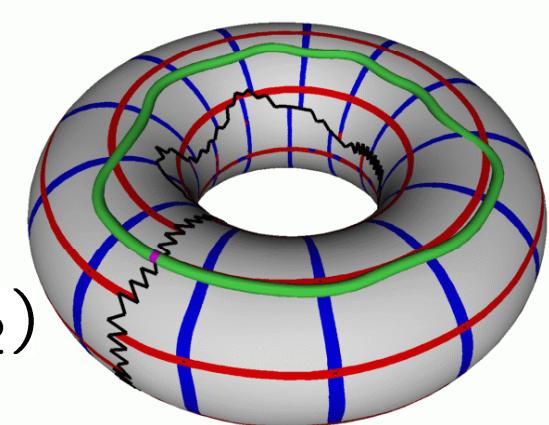
$$\int_{\gamma_p} X_1 ds \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \int_{\gamma_p} X_2 ds \in \mathbb{R}$$

3. Compute L_2 -smallest harmonic vector fields H_1, H_2 s.t.

$$\int_{\gamma_p} (X_1 + H_1) ds \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \int_{\gamma_p} (X_2 + H_2) ds \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Result: new frame

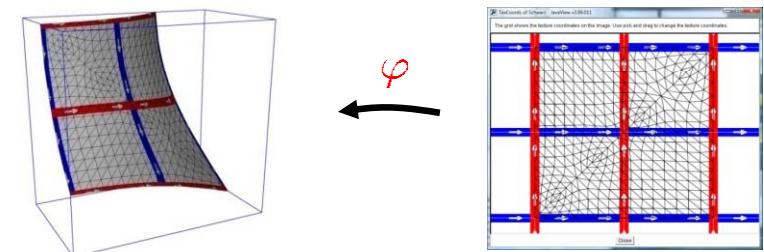
is globally integrable $X = (X_1 + H_1, X_2 + H_2)$



QuadCover Algorithm (unbranched)

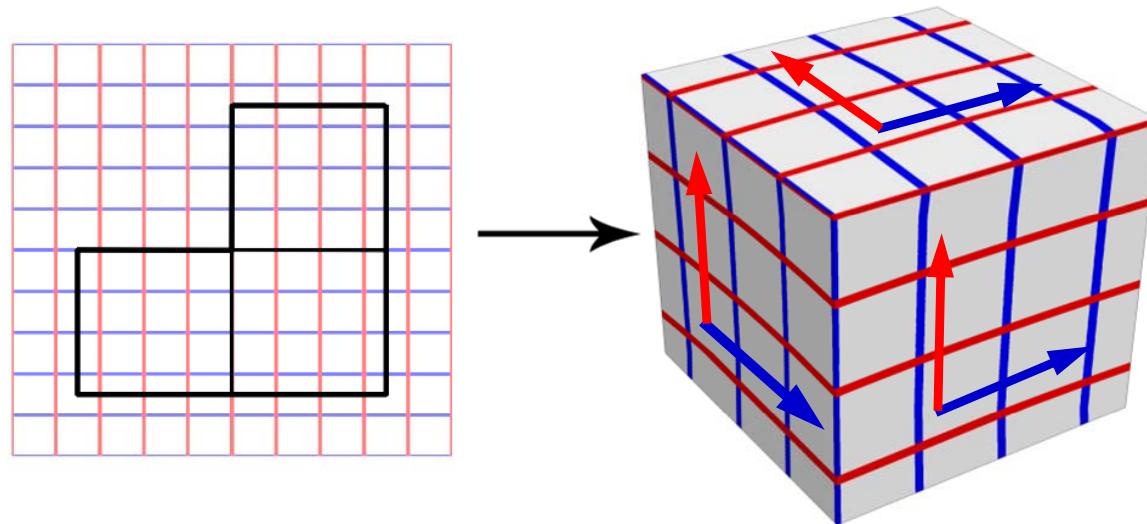
Given a simplicial surface M :

1. Generate a guiding frame field K
(e.g. principal curvatures frames)
2. Assure local integrability of K via Hodge Decomp.
(remove curl-component from K)
3. Assure global continuity of K along Homology gens.
(add harmonic field to K s.t. all periods of K are integers)
4. Global integration of K on M
gives parameterization



No Splitting of Parameter Lines

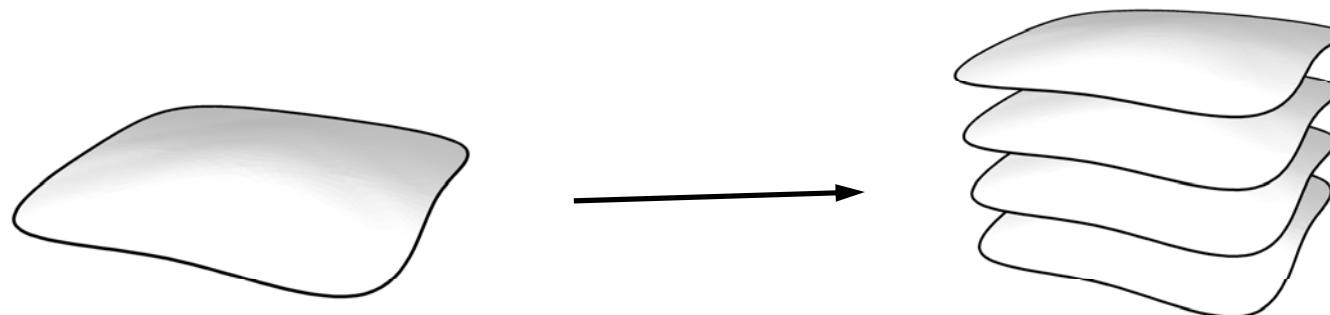
Warning: parameter lines do not split into red and blue lines !!!



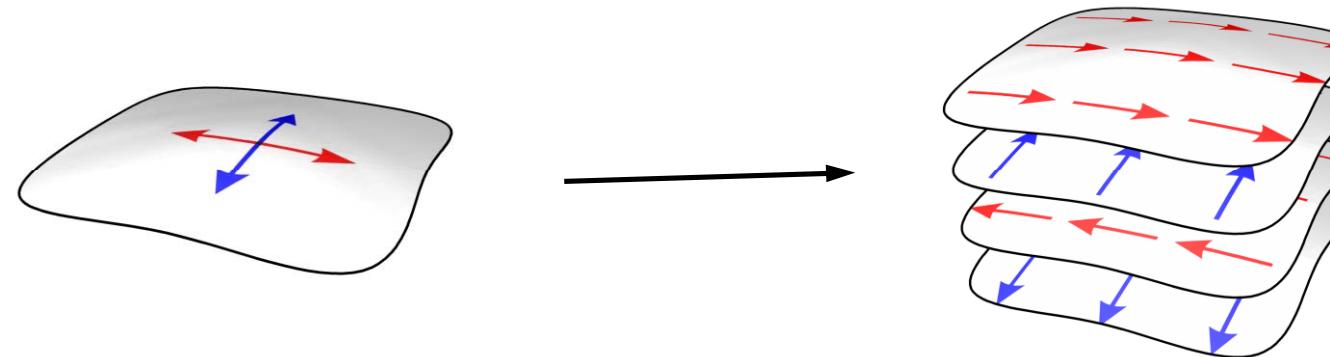
Consequence: a frame field does not globally split into four vector fields.

Construct a Branched Covering Surface

Step 1: Make four layers (copies) of the surface.

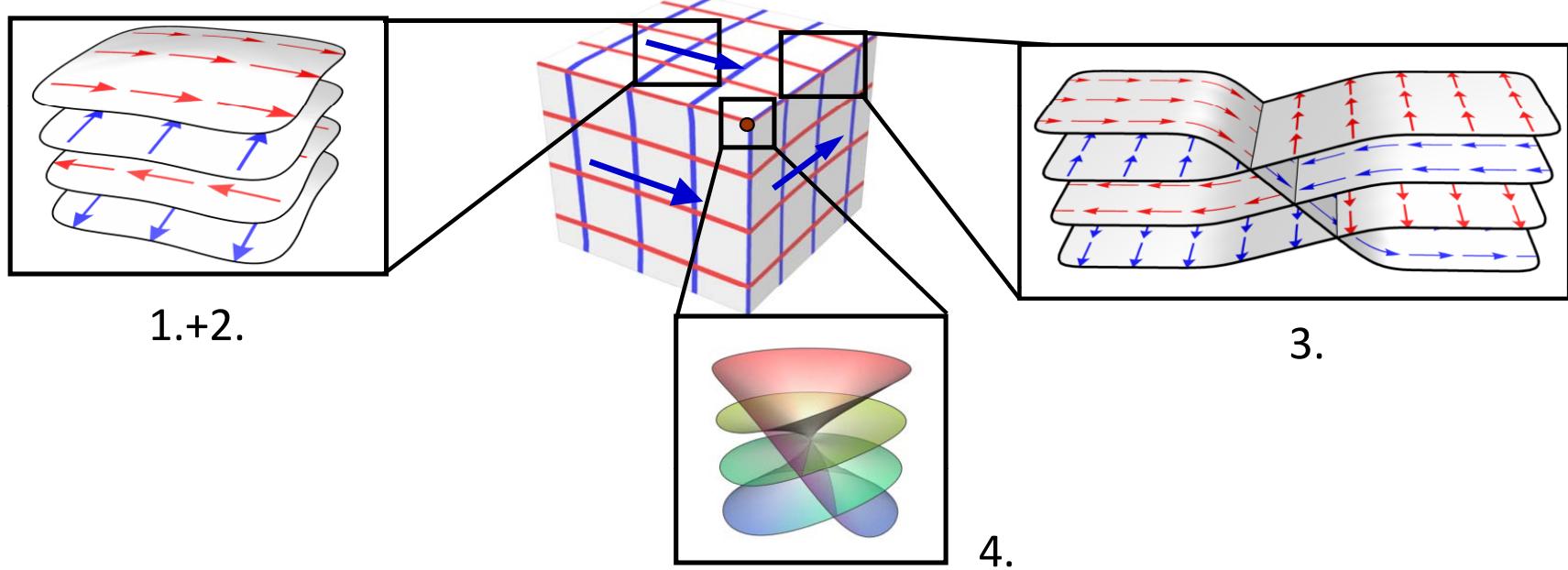


Step 2: Lift frame field to a vector field on each layer.



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Step 3: Connect layers consistently with the vectors.

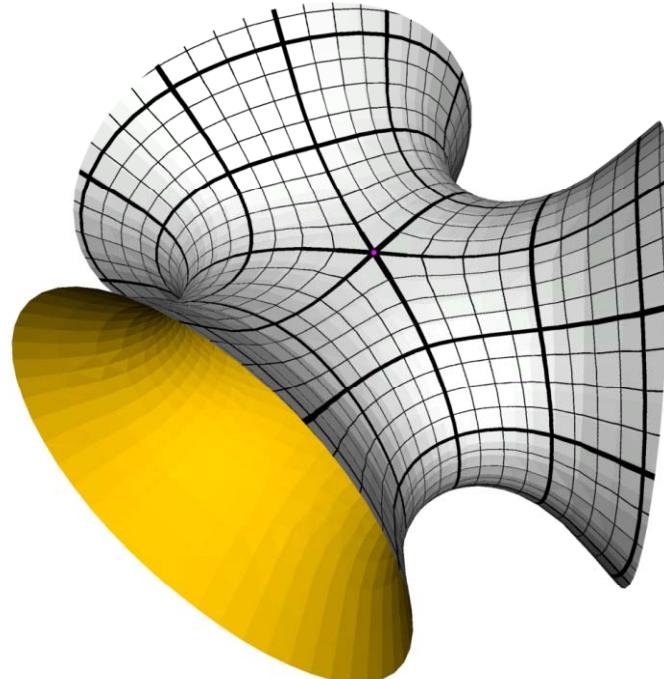


Result: The frame field simplifies to a **vector field** on the covering surface.

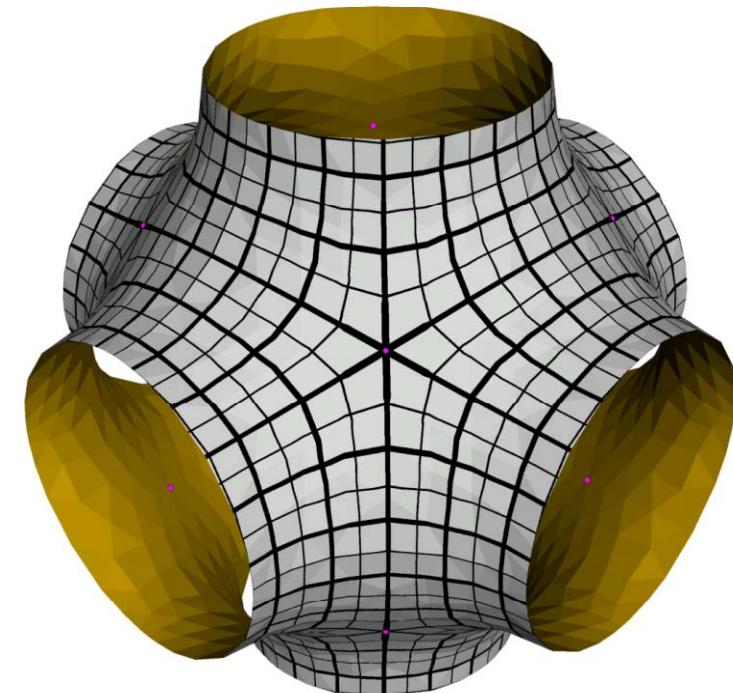
Examples

Minimal surfaces with **isolated** branch points

Index of each singularity = $-1/2$



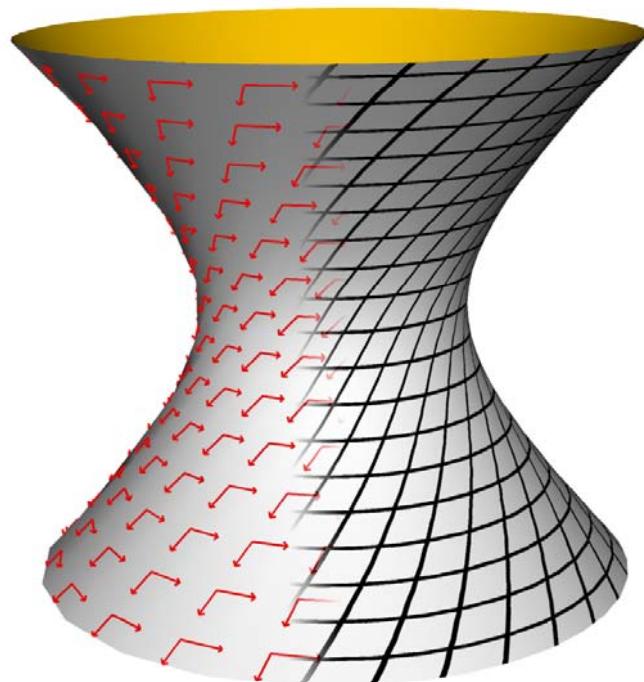
Trinoid



Schwarz-P Surface

Examples

Different Frame Fields



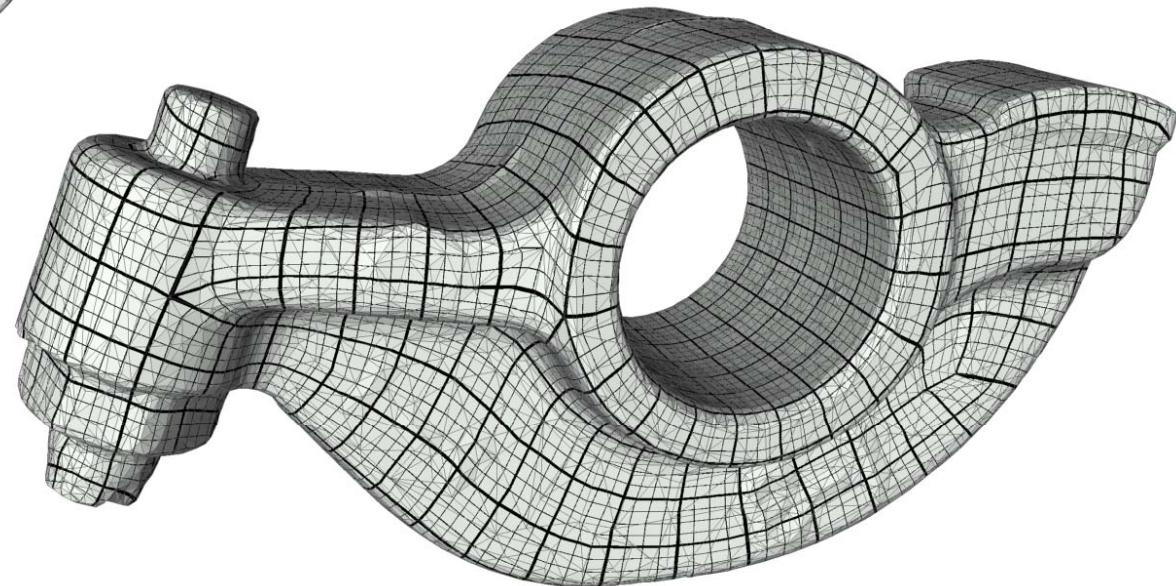
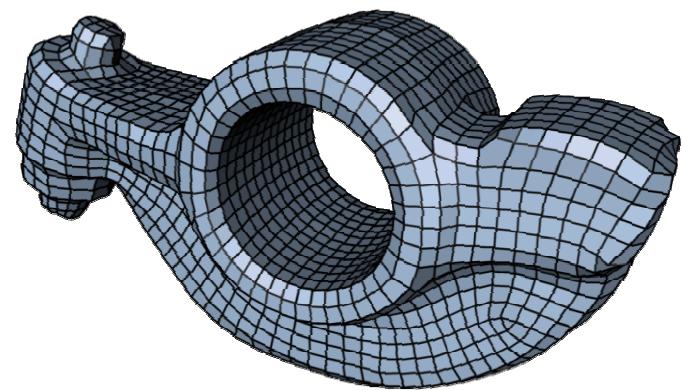
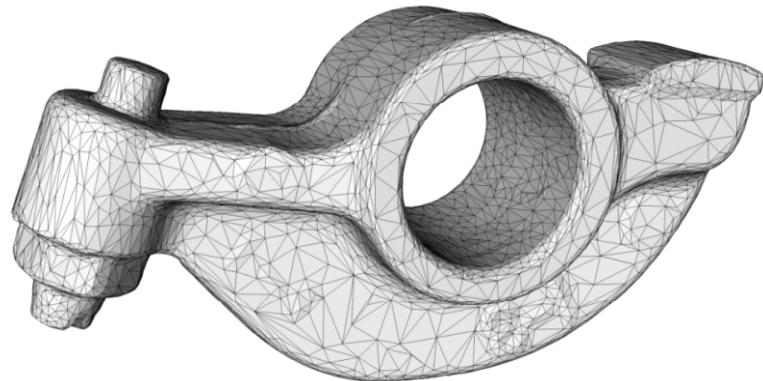
Non-orthogonal frame on
hyperboloid



Non-orientable Klein
bottle

Examples

Rocker arm test model



Mixed Integer Quadrangulation

[Zimmer '09]

