The GAPic Package

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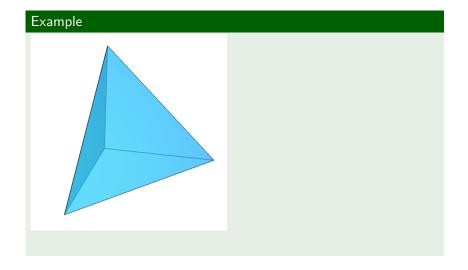
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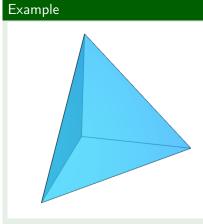
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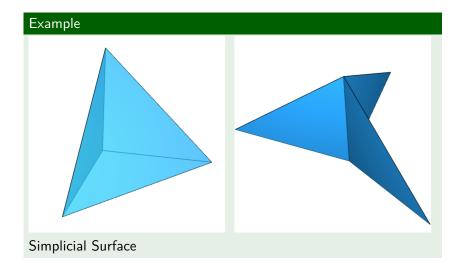
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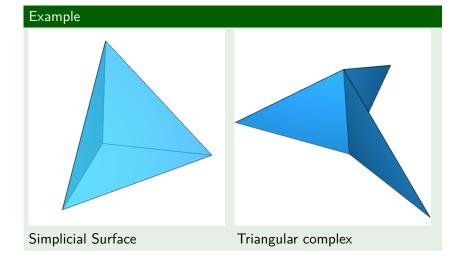
the last condition is called the *umbrella condition*.





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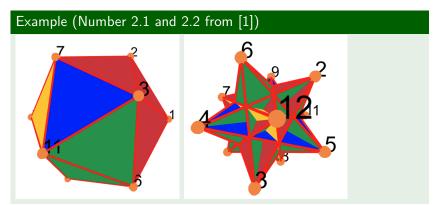
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Thank you for your attention

Want to get involved? \rightarrow github.com/GAP-ART-RWTH/GAPic

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