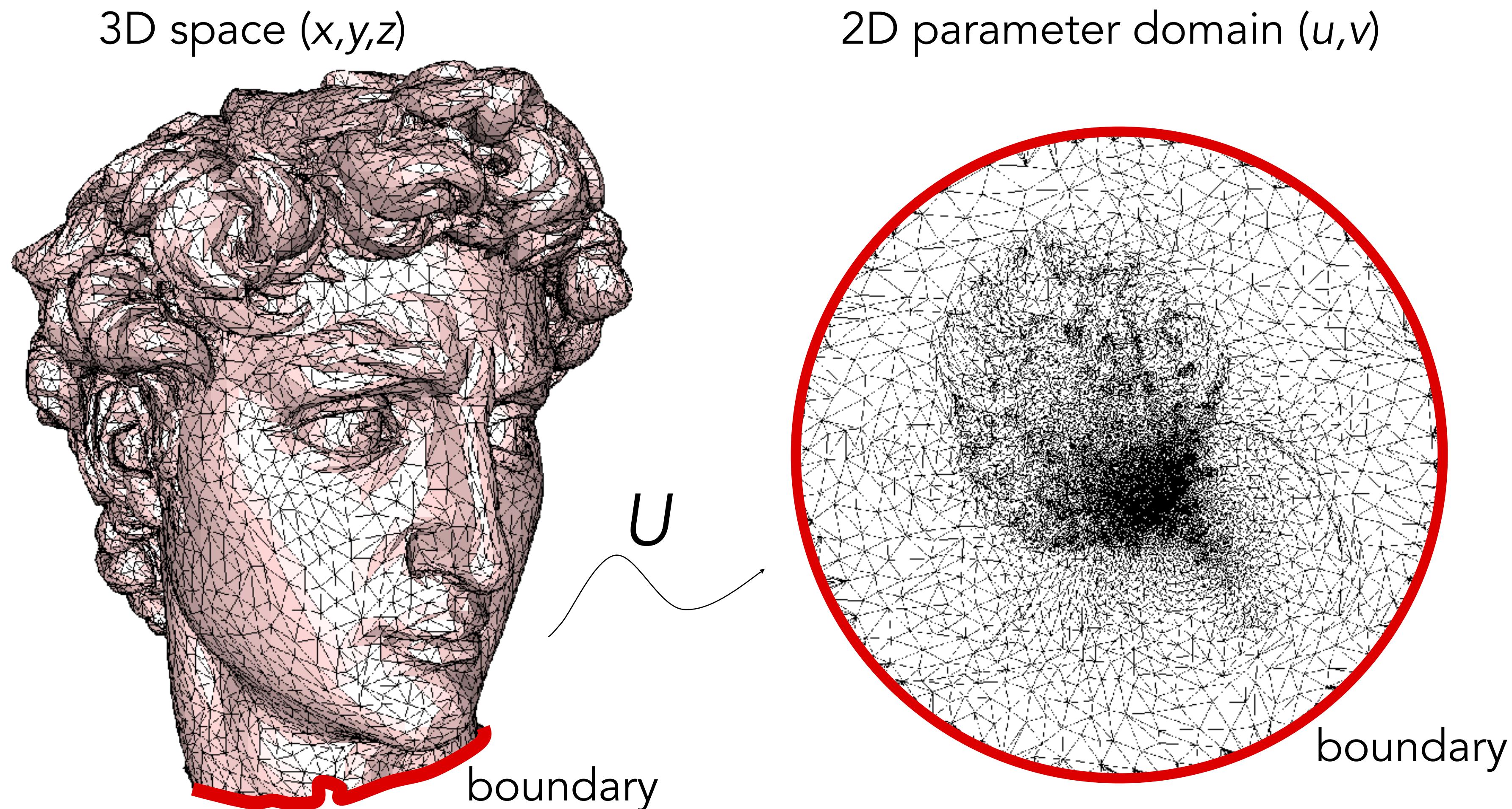


# Single Patch Parametrization

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# Surface Parameterization



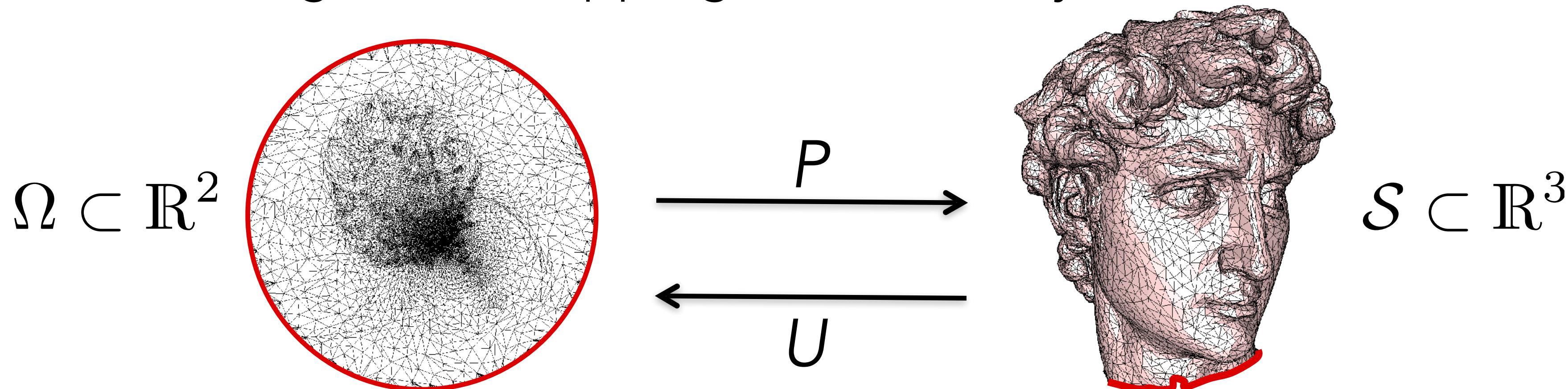
# Parameterization – Definition

- Mapping  $P$  between a 2D domain  $\Omega$  and the mesh  $S$  embedded in 3D (the inverse = flattening)

- Each mesh vertex has a corresponding 2D position:

$$U(\mathbf{v}_i) = (u_i, v_i)$$

- Inside each triangle, the mapping is affine (barycentric coordinates)

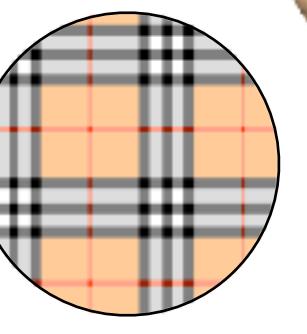
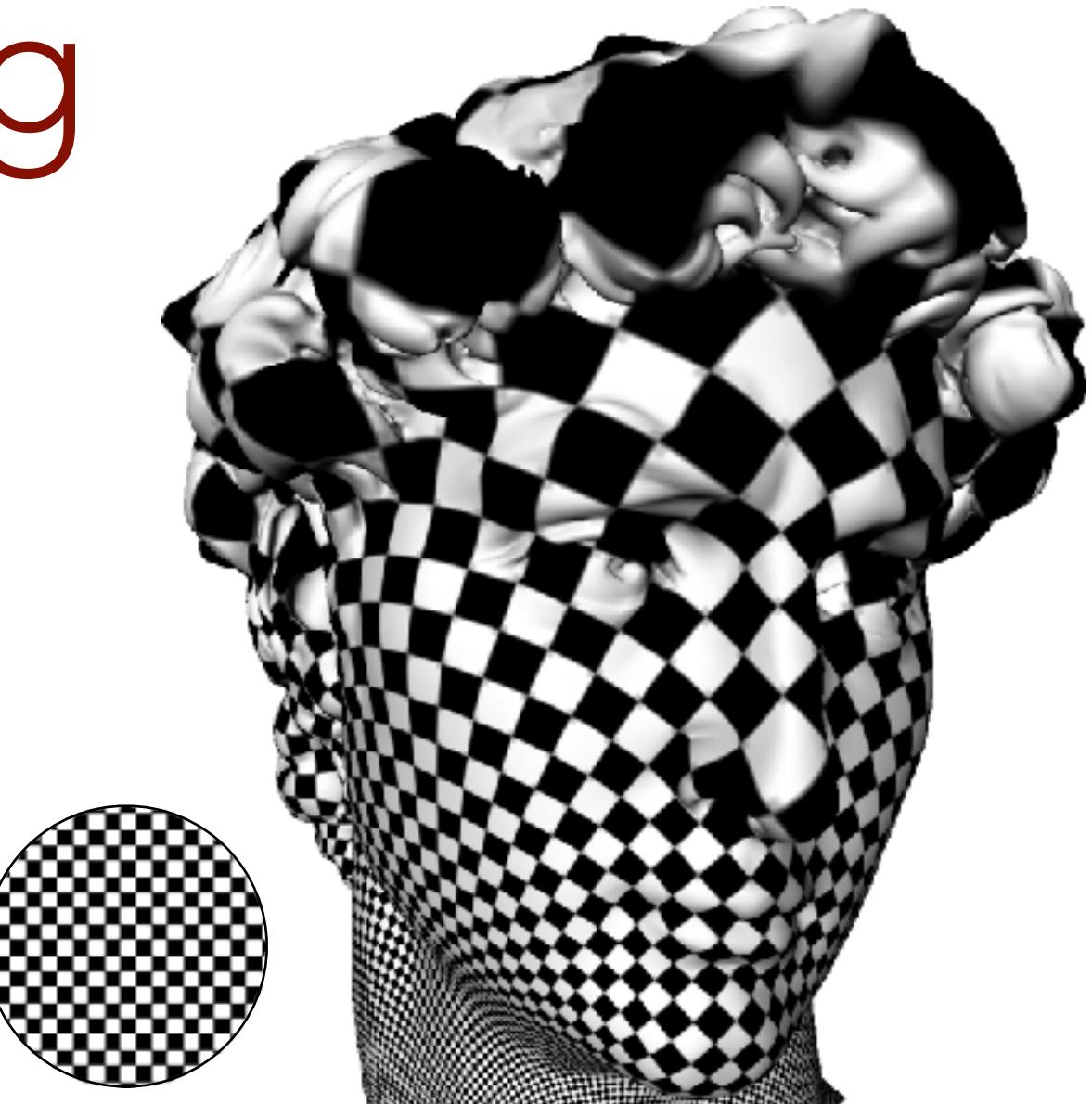
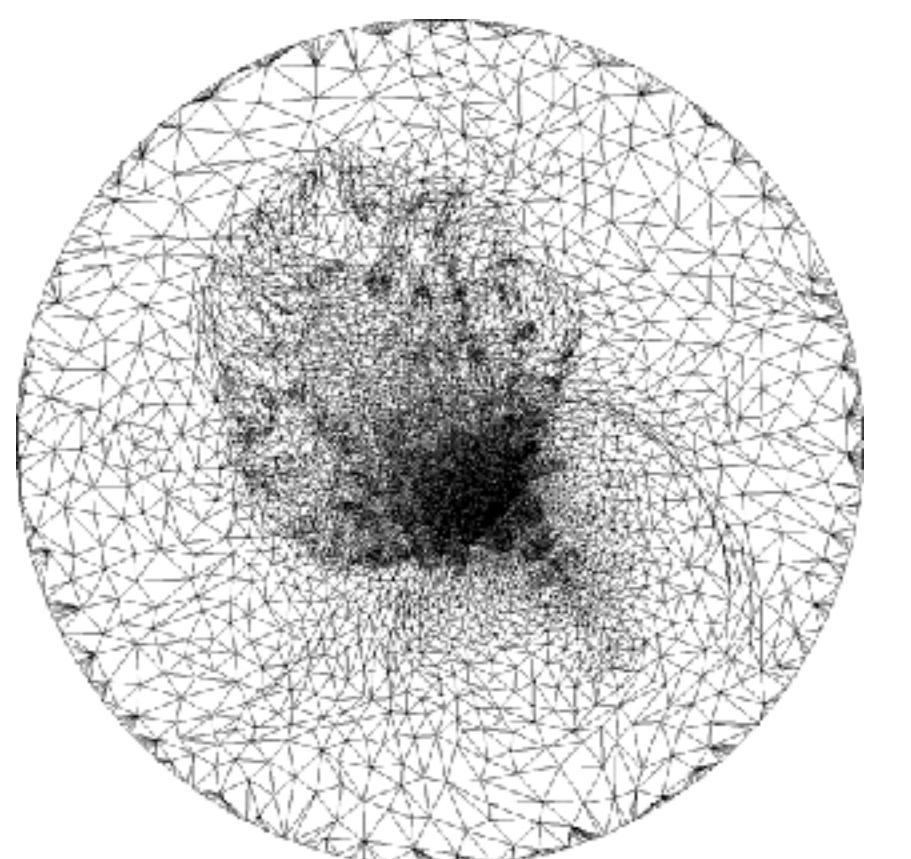


# Why?

# Why?

- Allows us to do processing in 2D and then map the results onto the 3D surface
- It is easier to operate in the 2D domain (but you have to create a parametrization first)

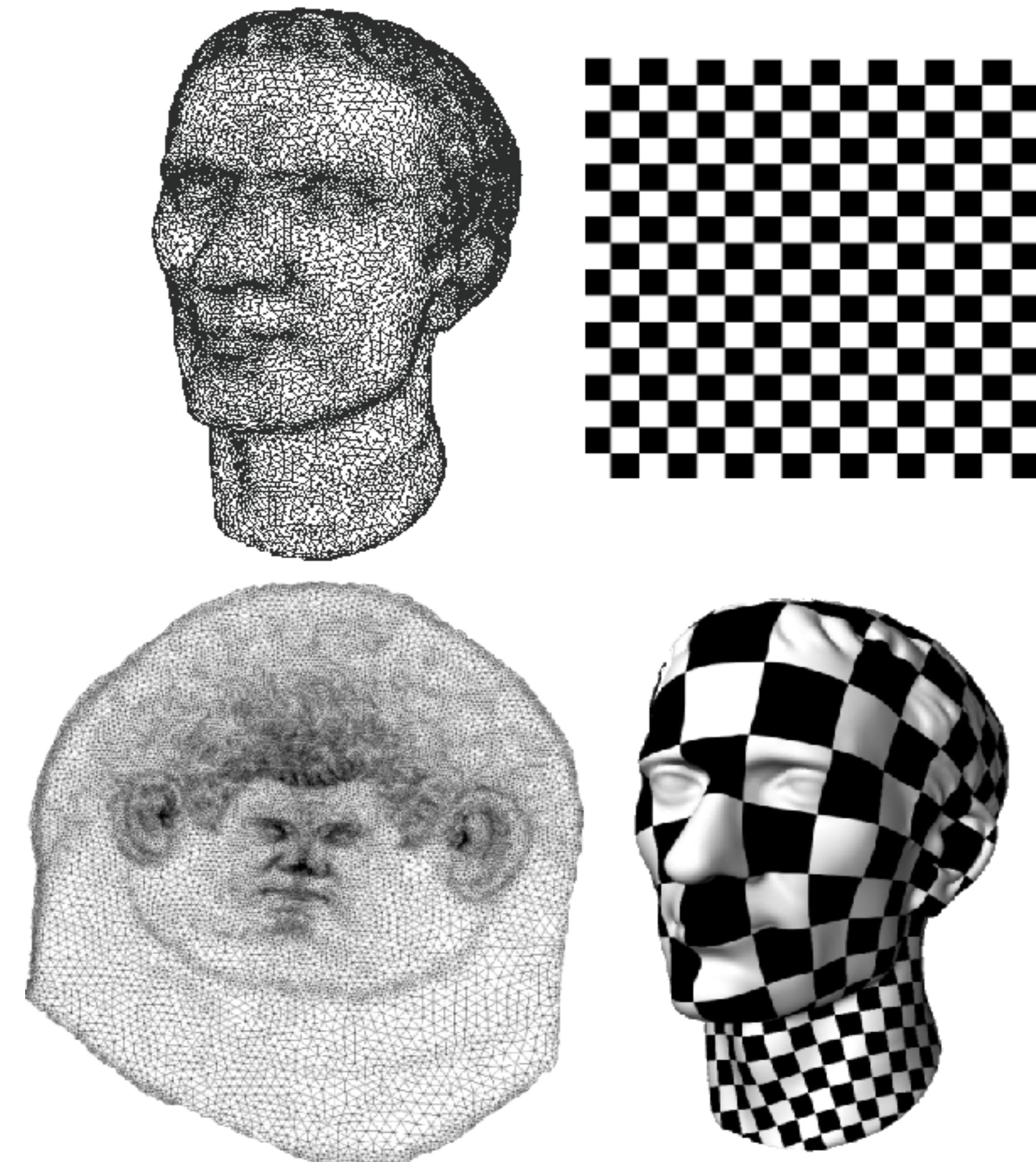
# Texture Mapping



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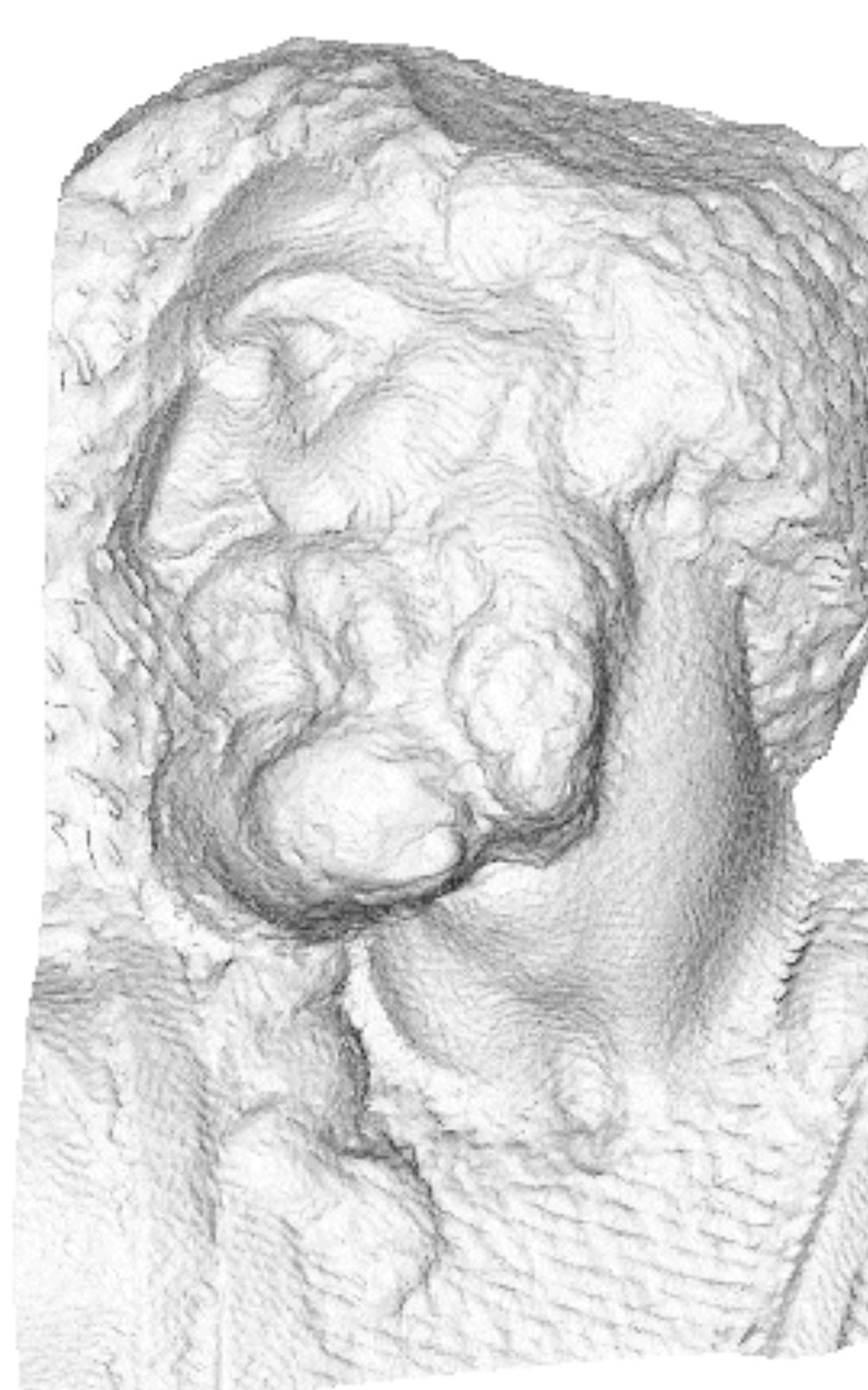


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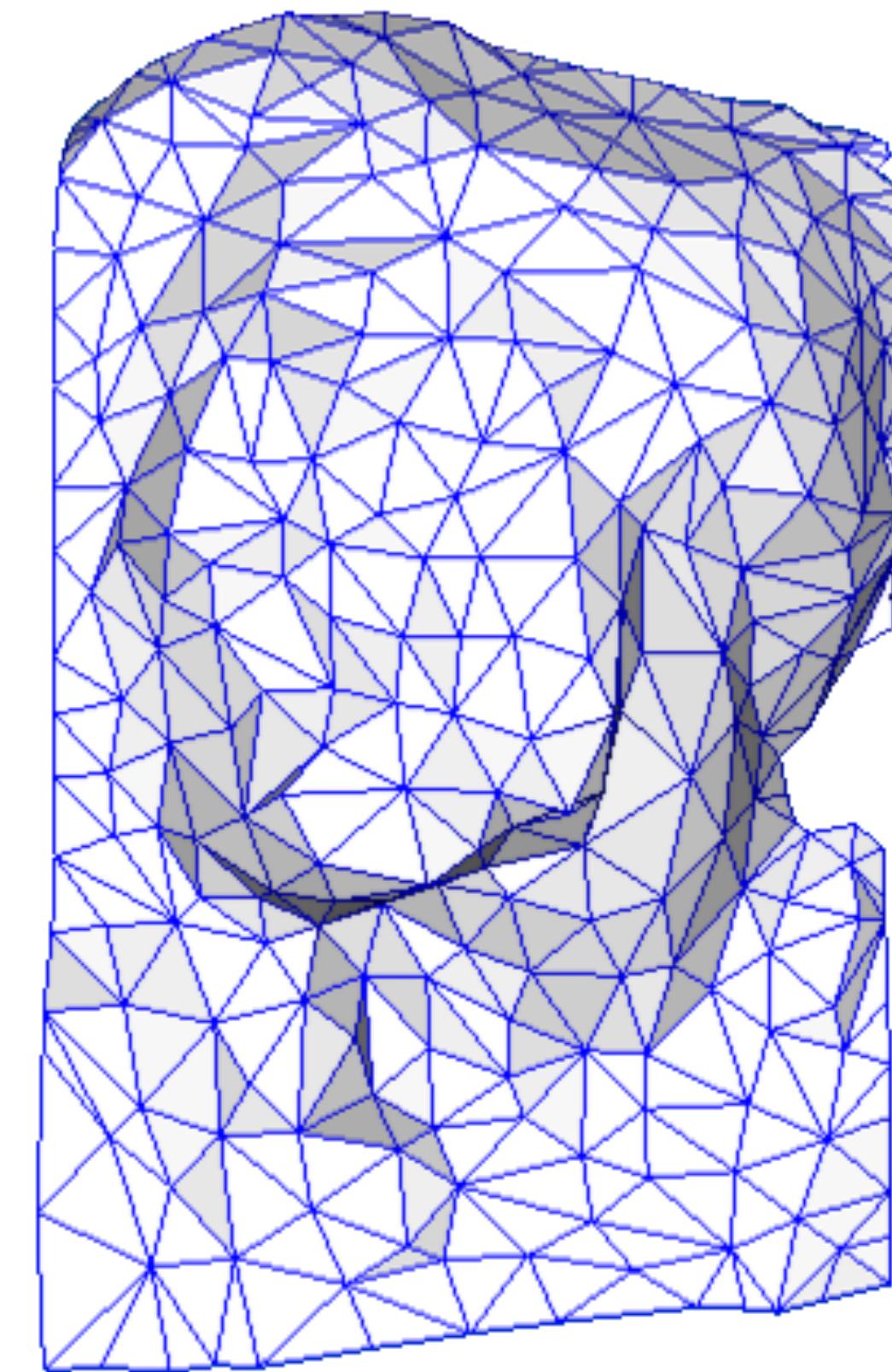


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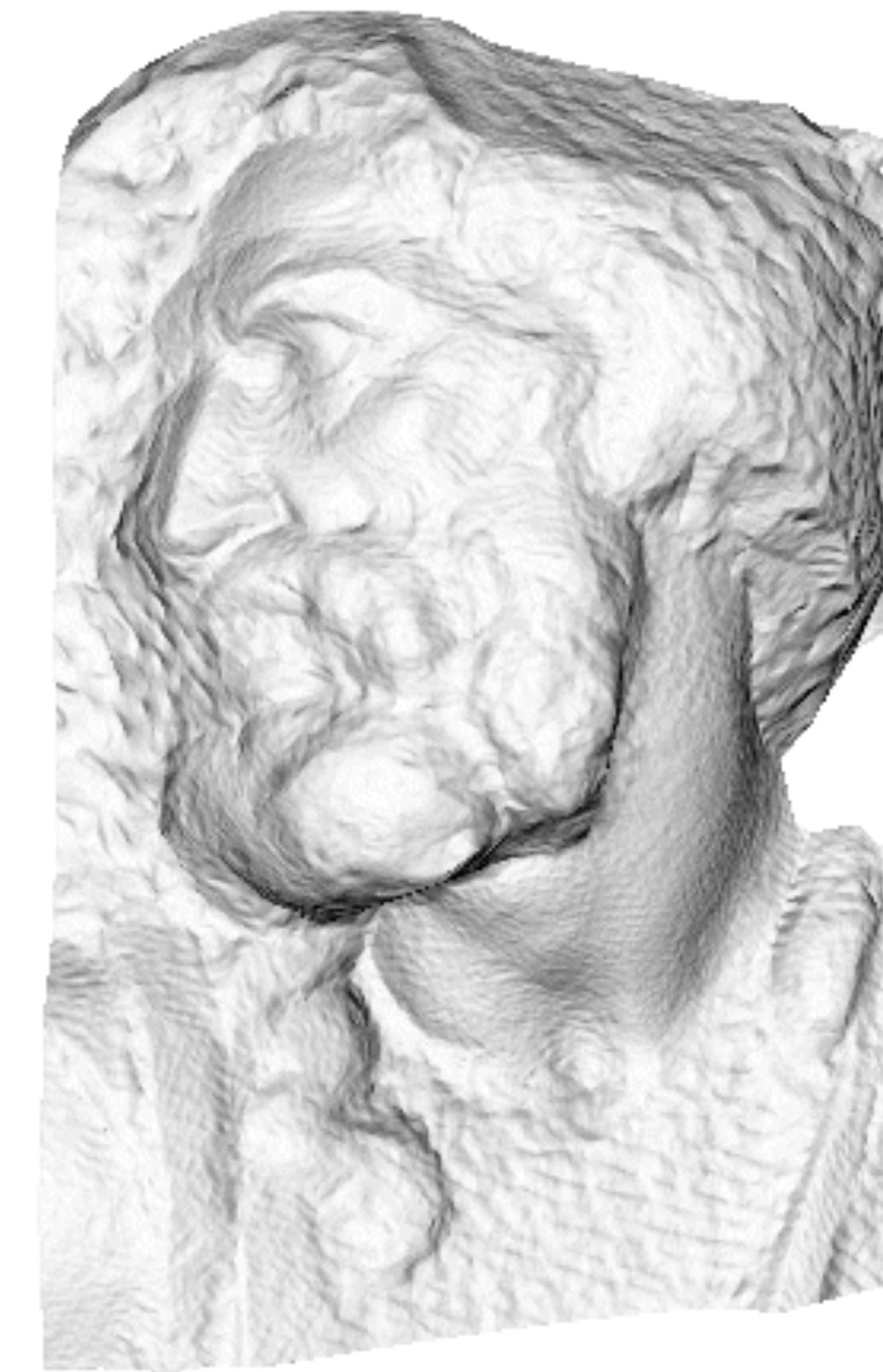
# Normal/Bump Mapping



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4M triangles

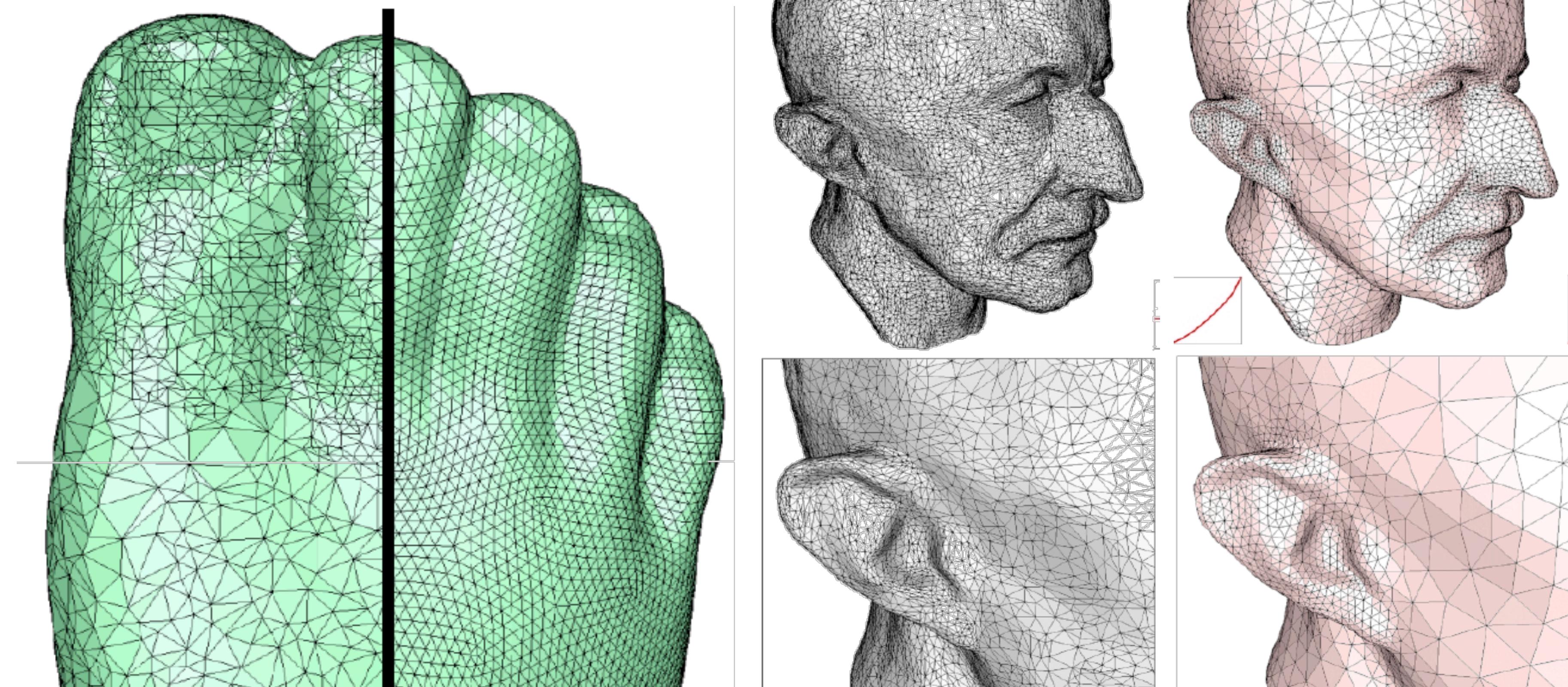


simplified mesh  
500 triangles



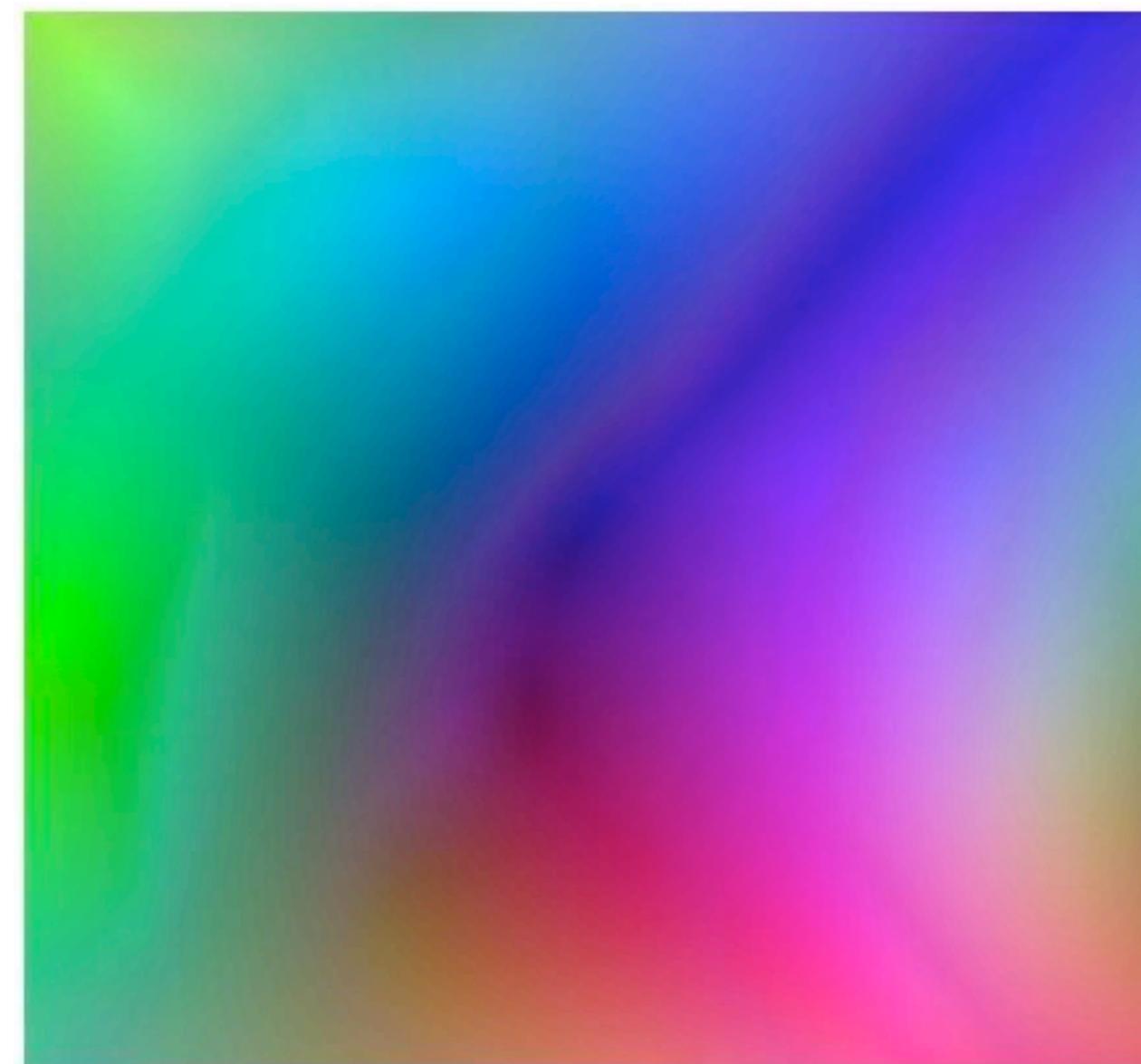
simplified mesh  
and normal mapping  
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# Remeshing

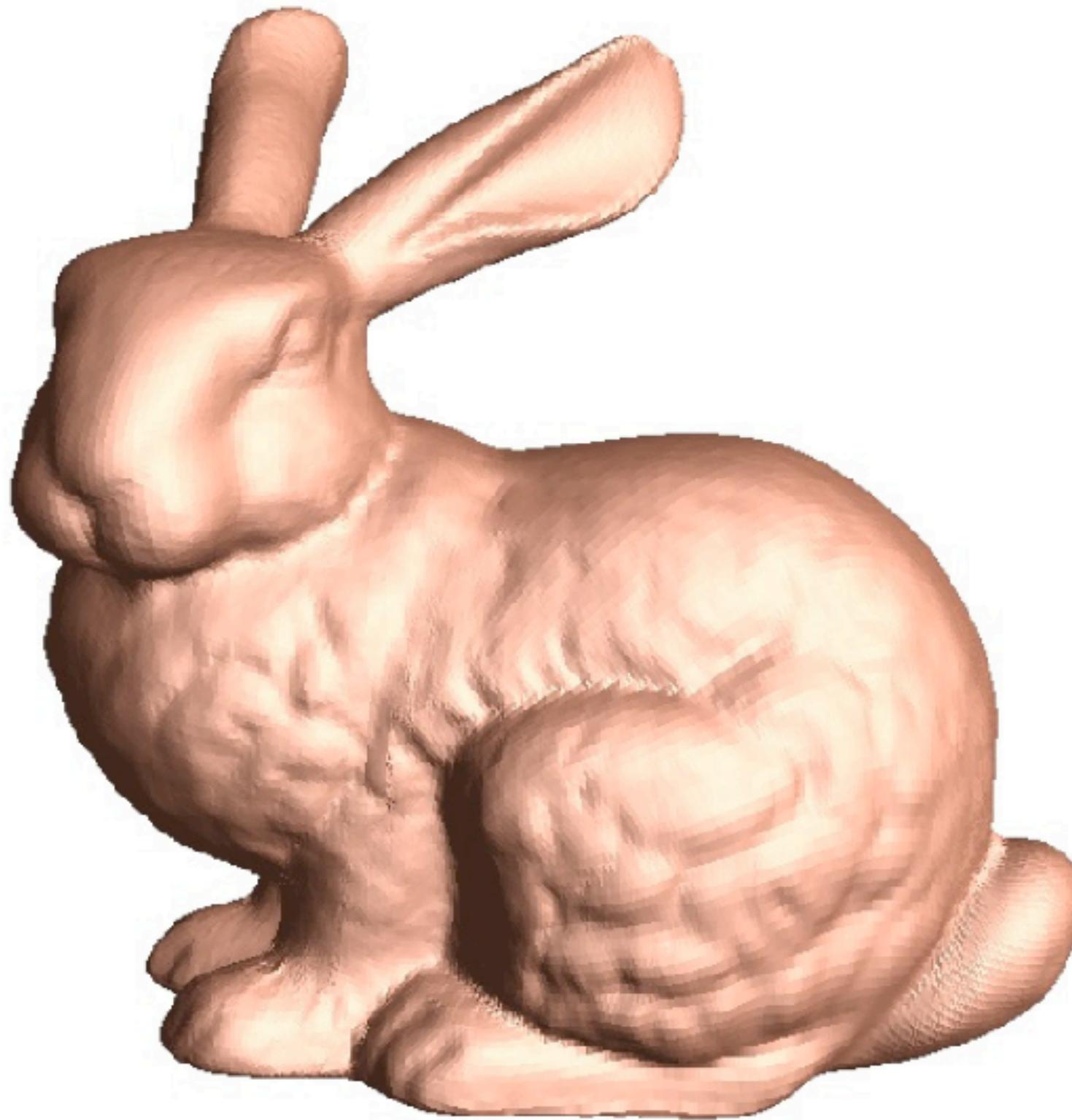


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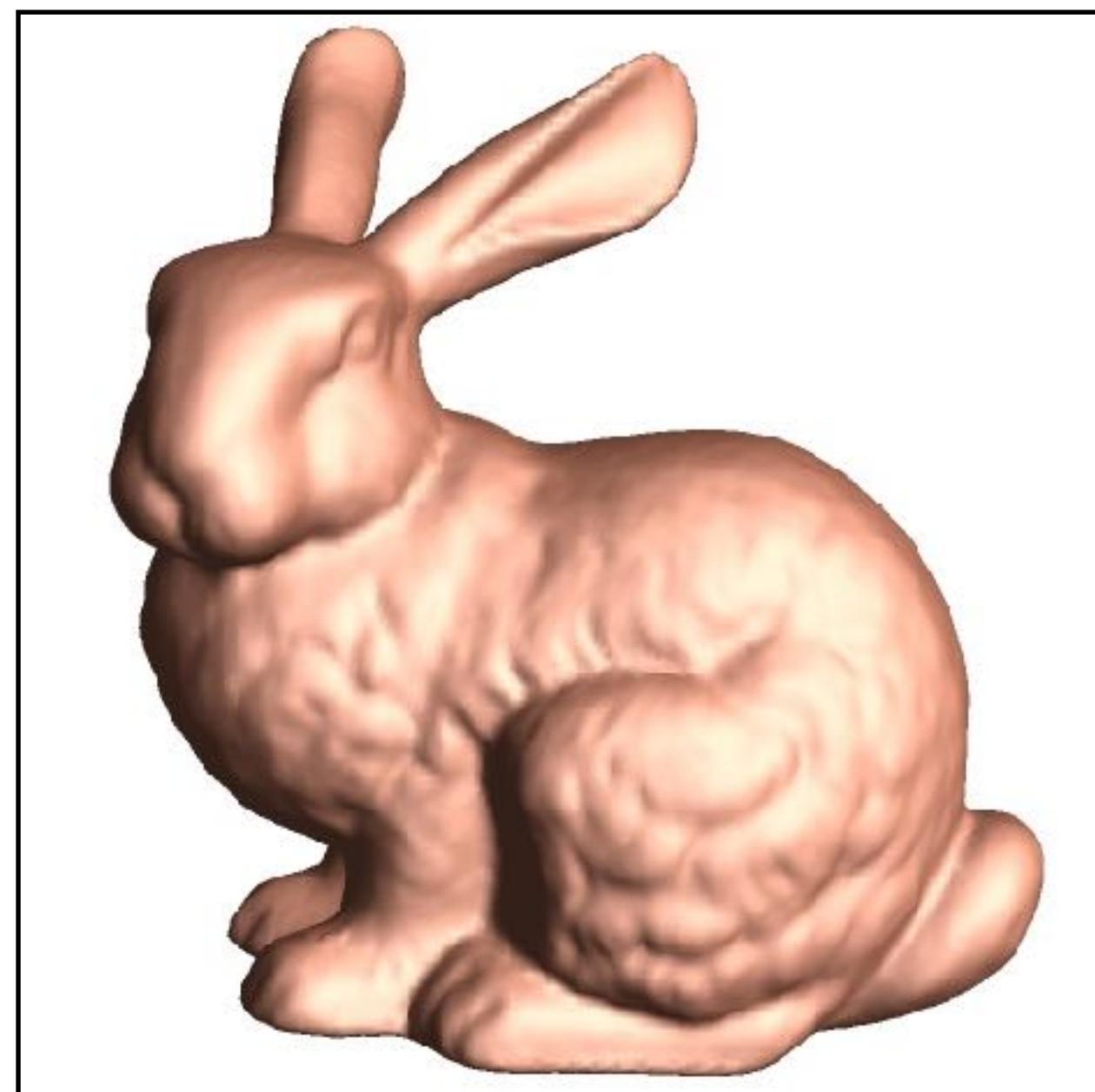


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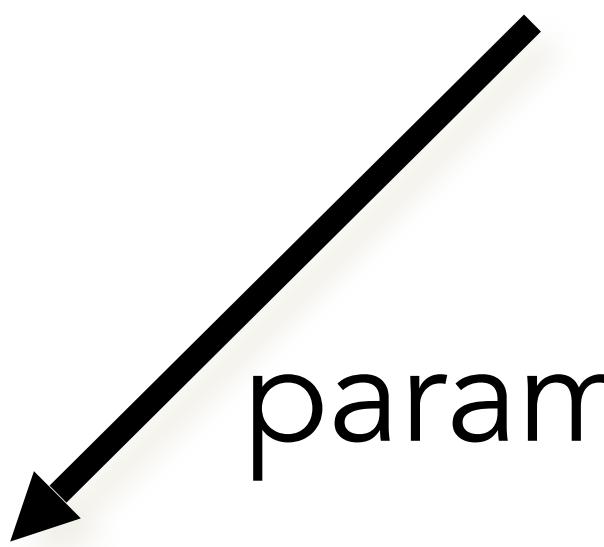
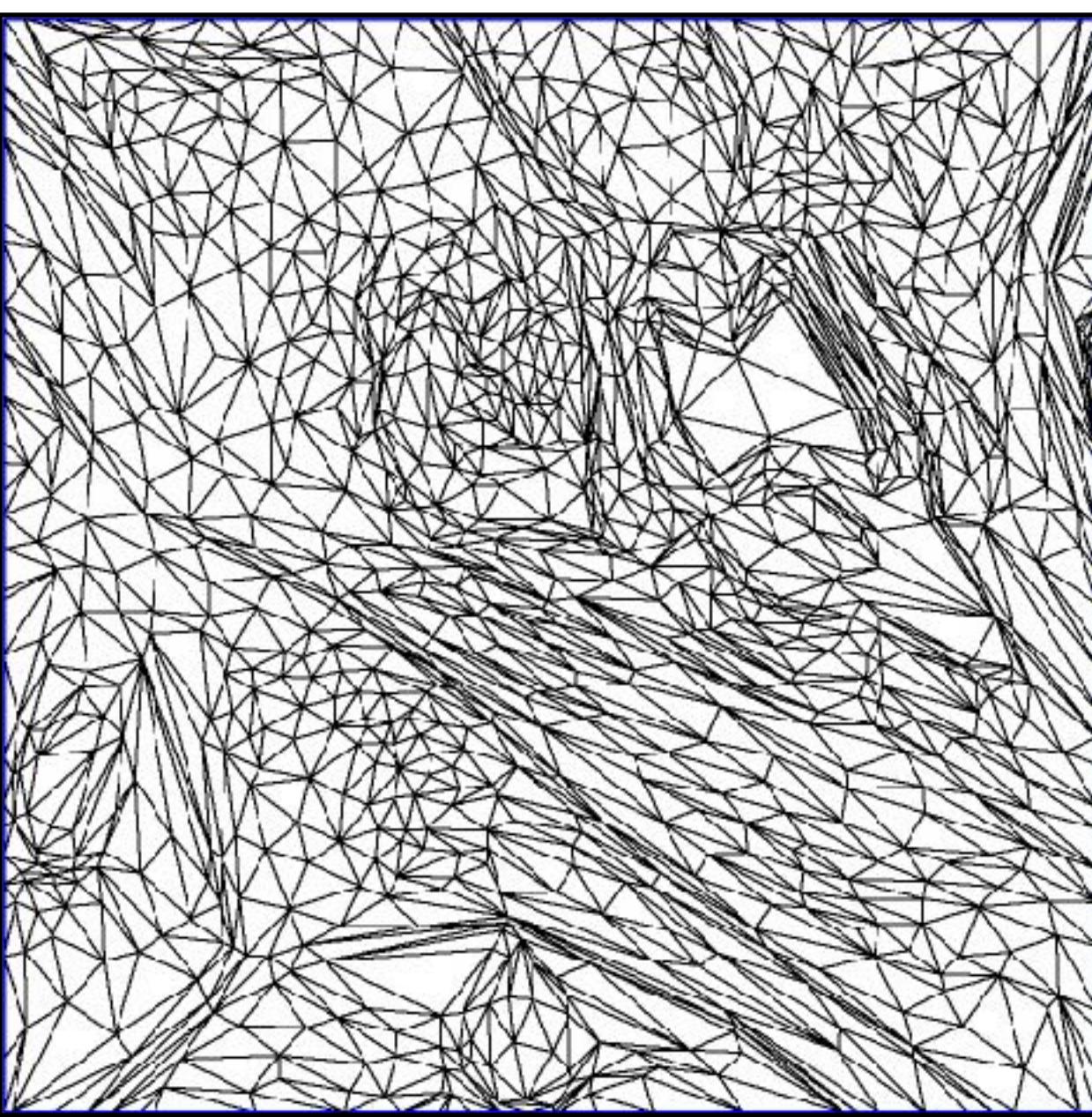
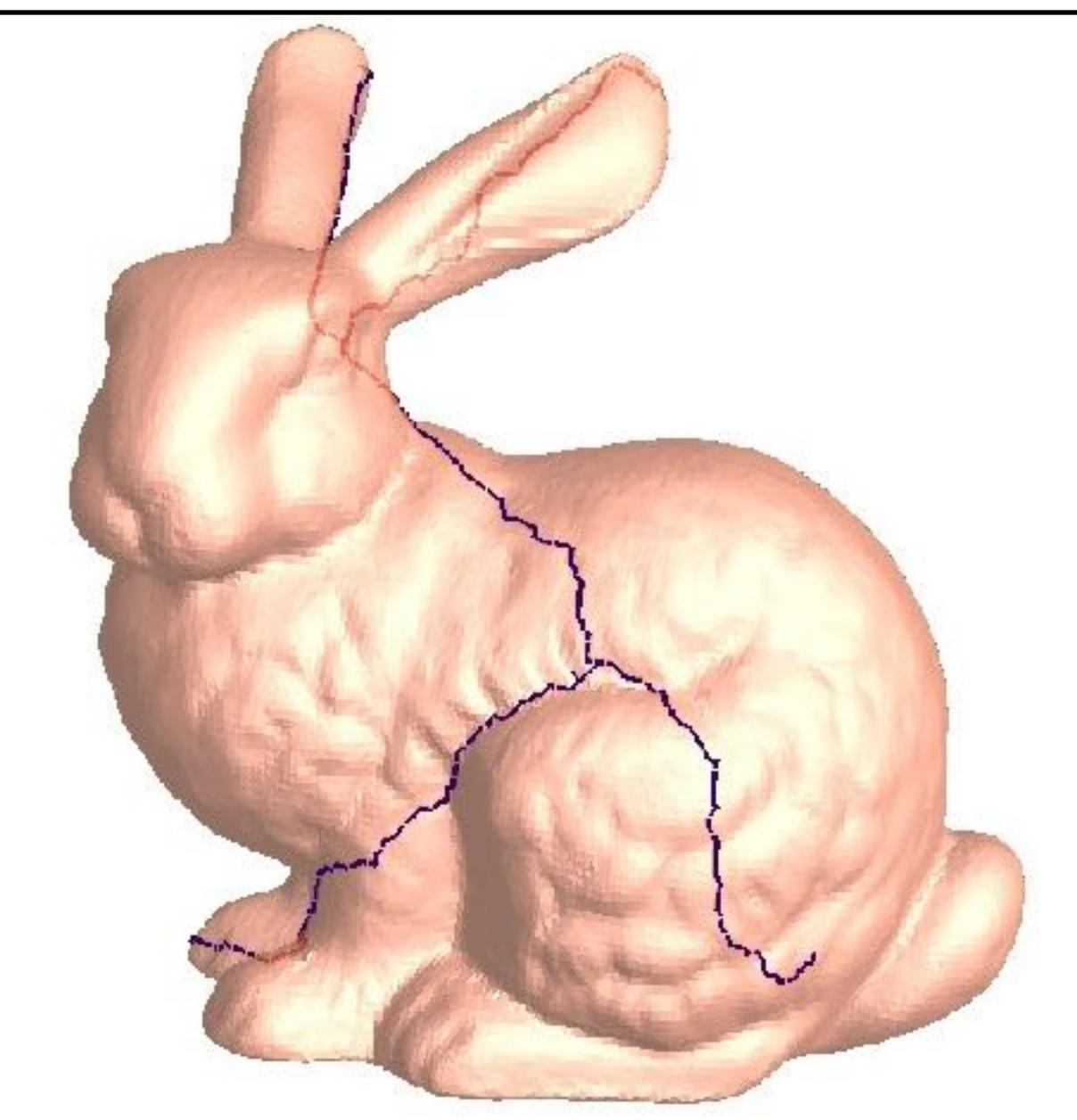
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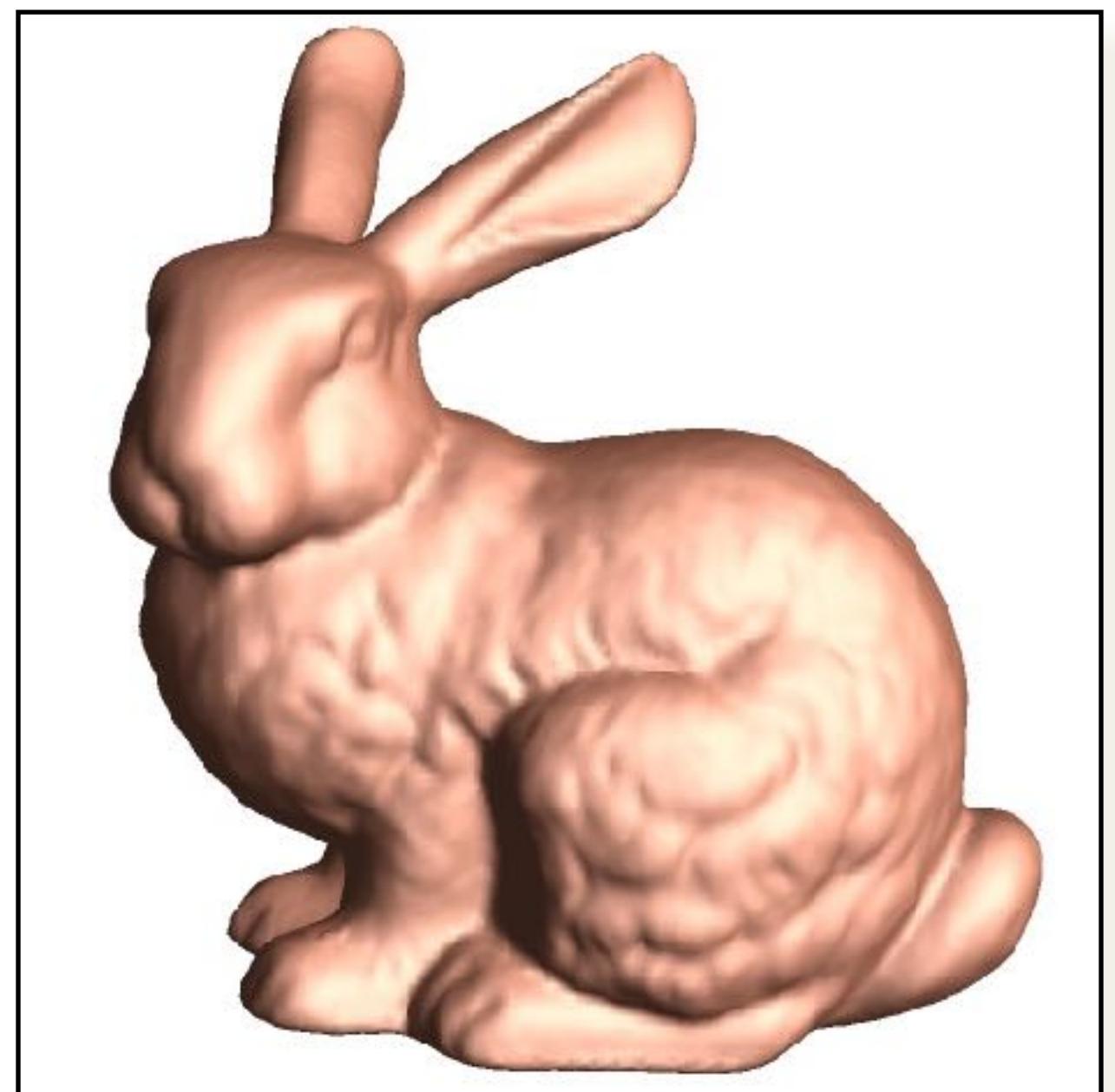
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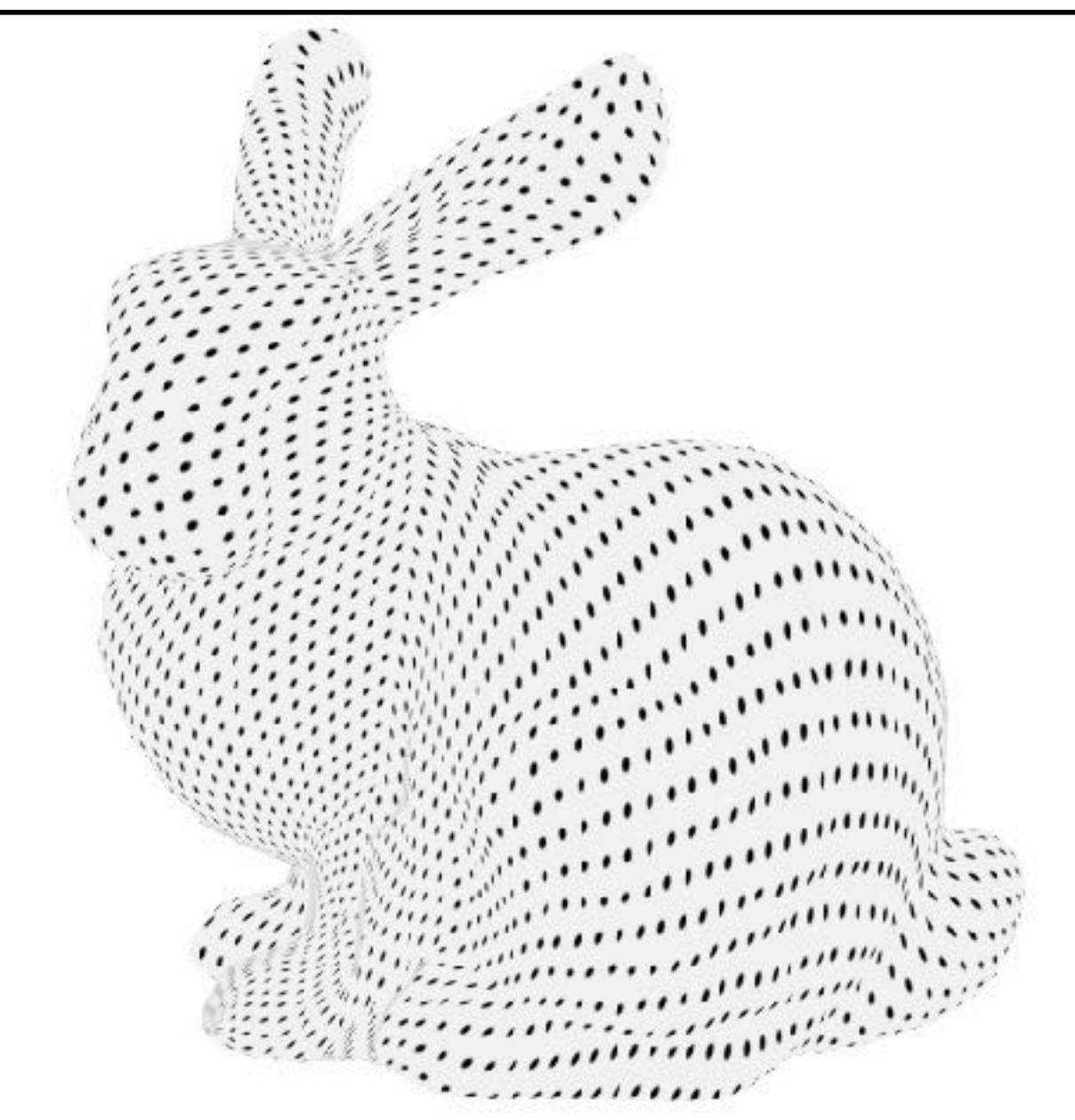
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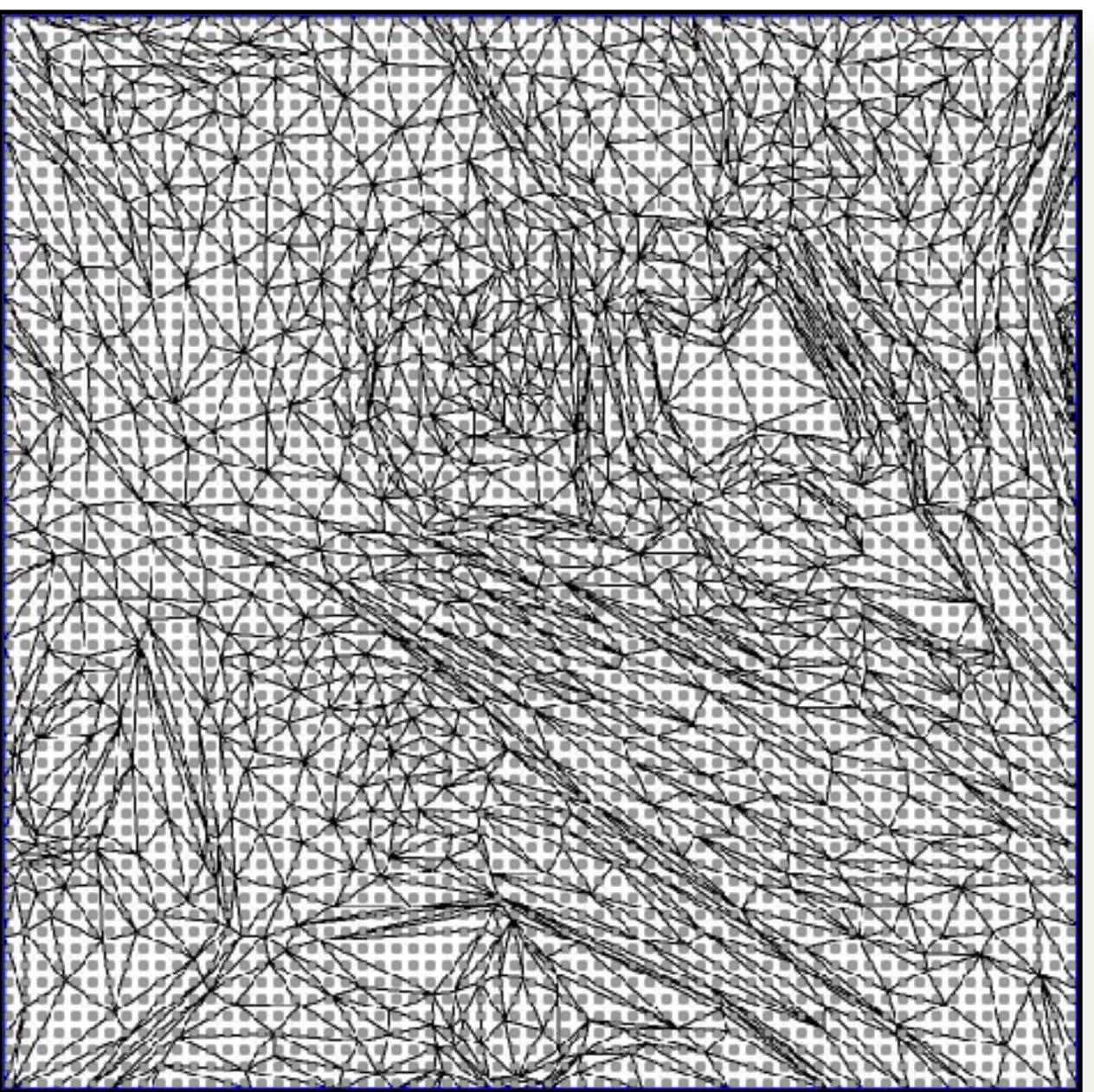
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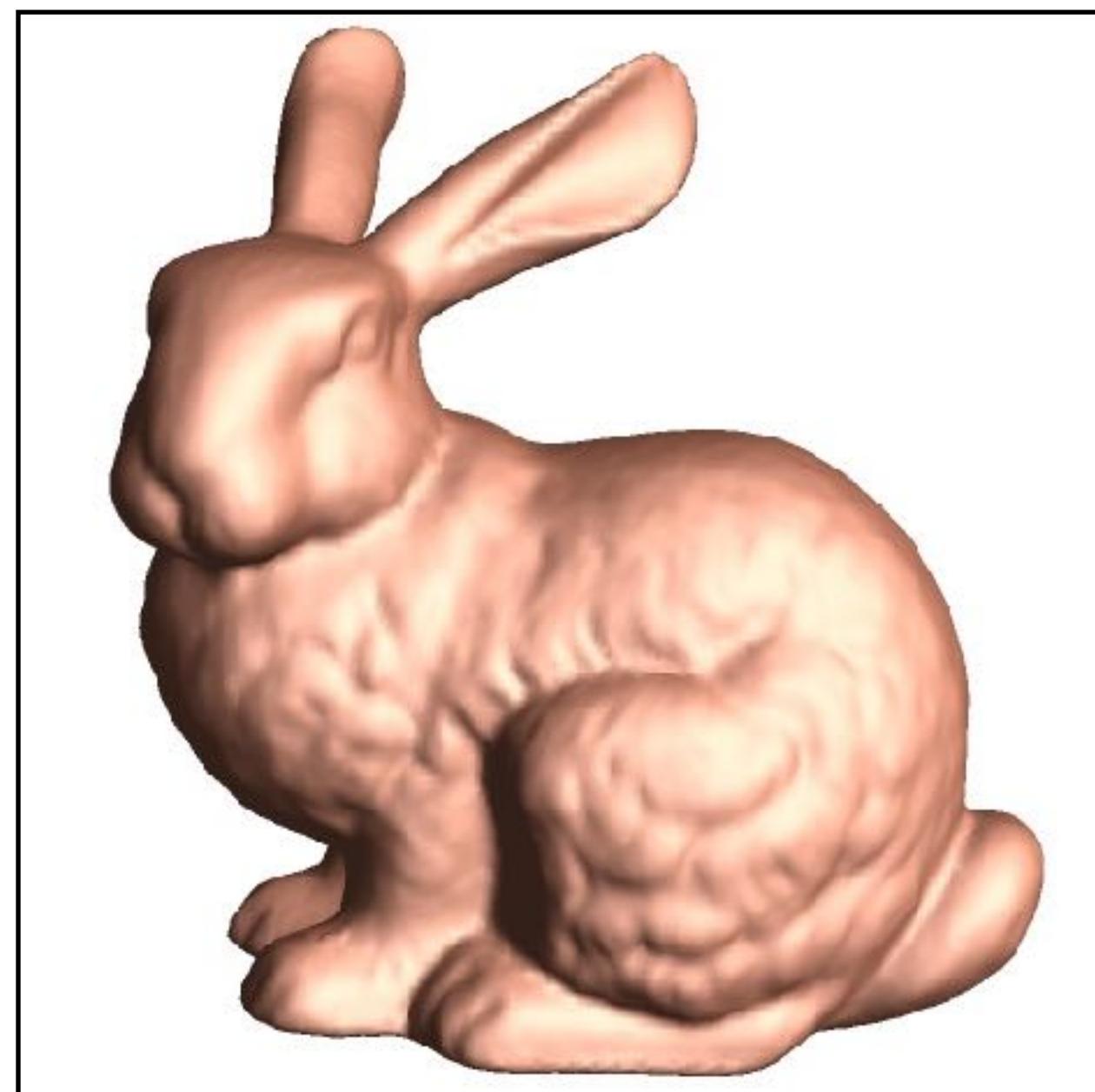


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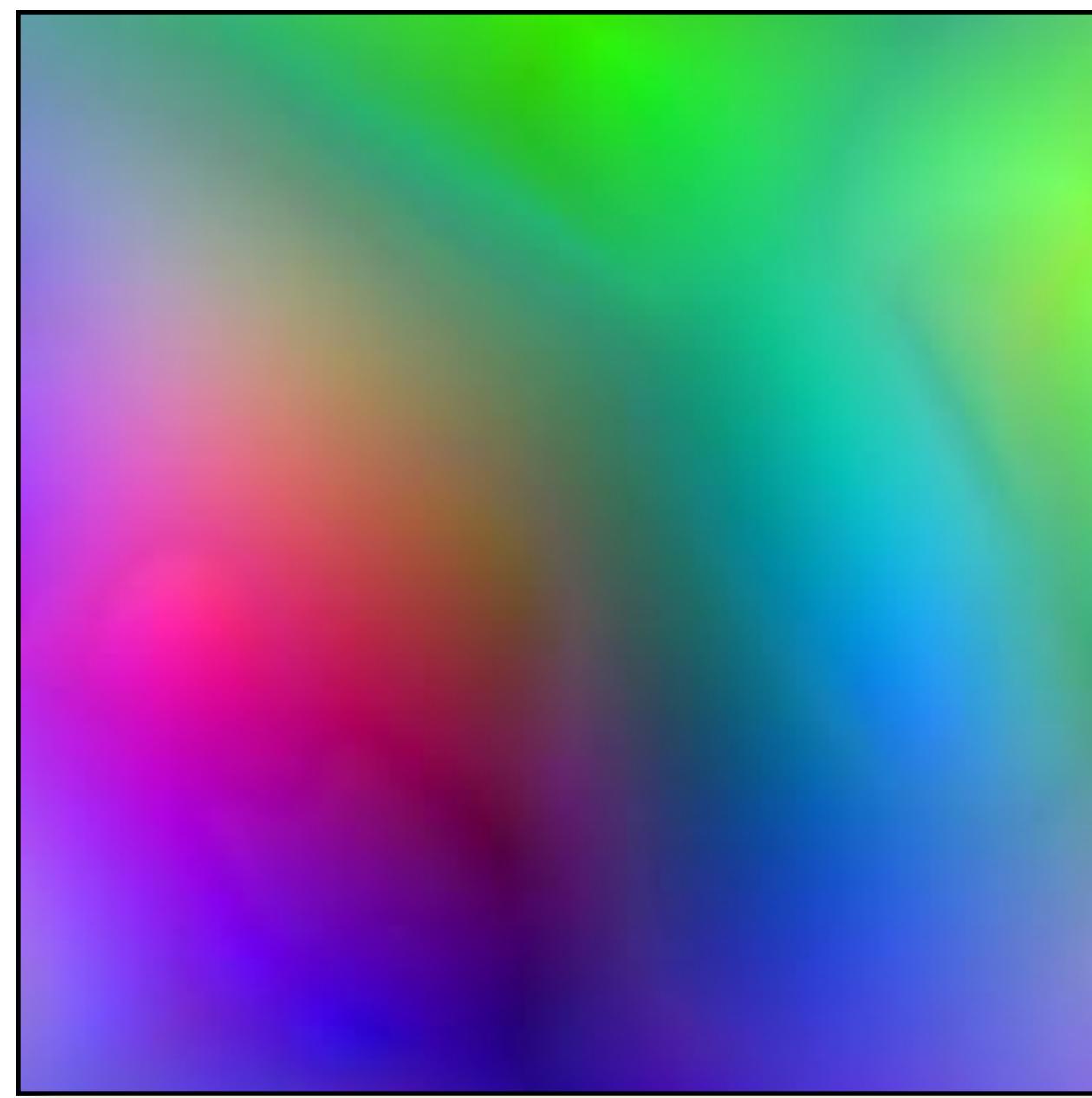
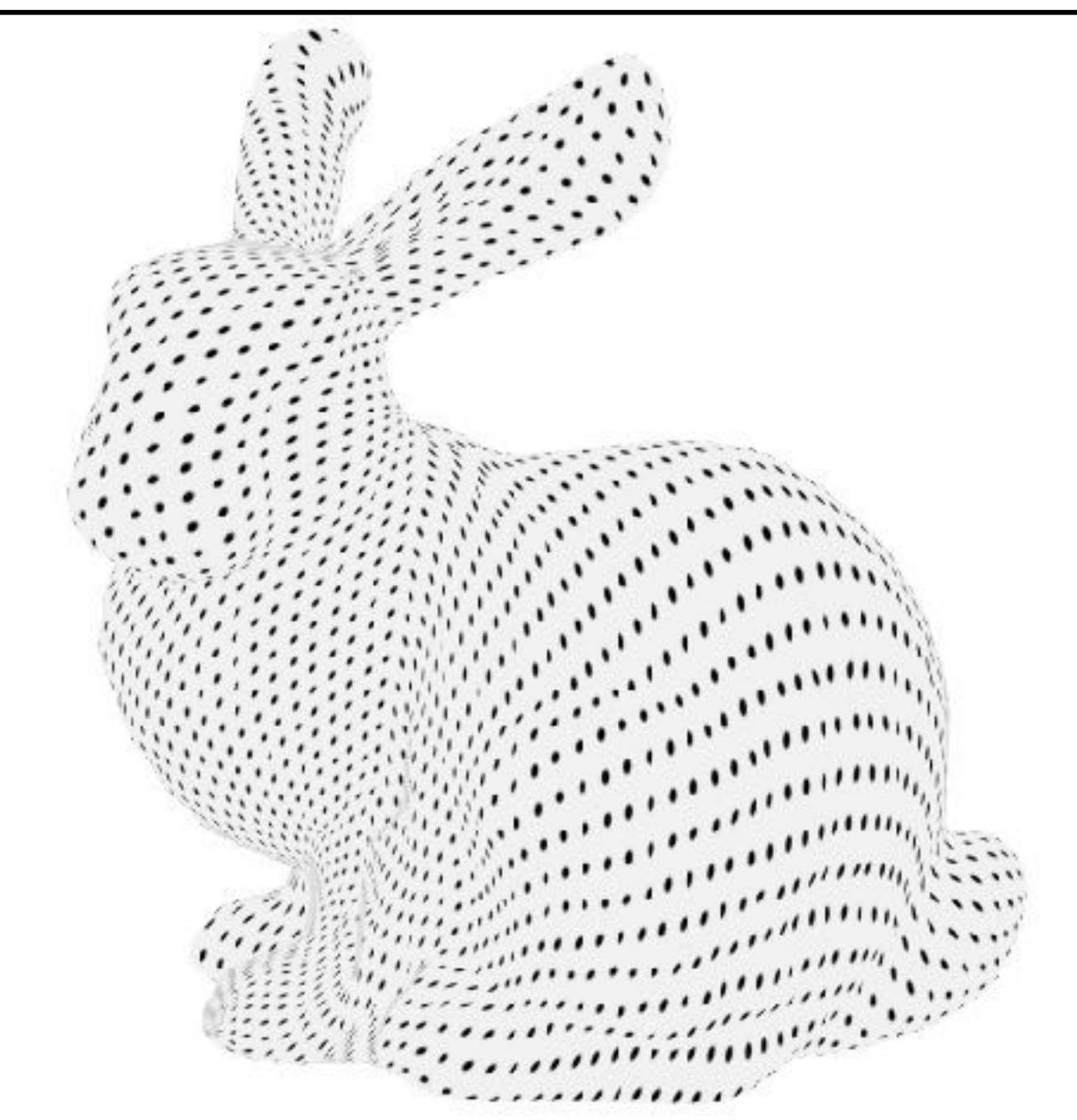




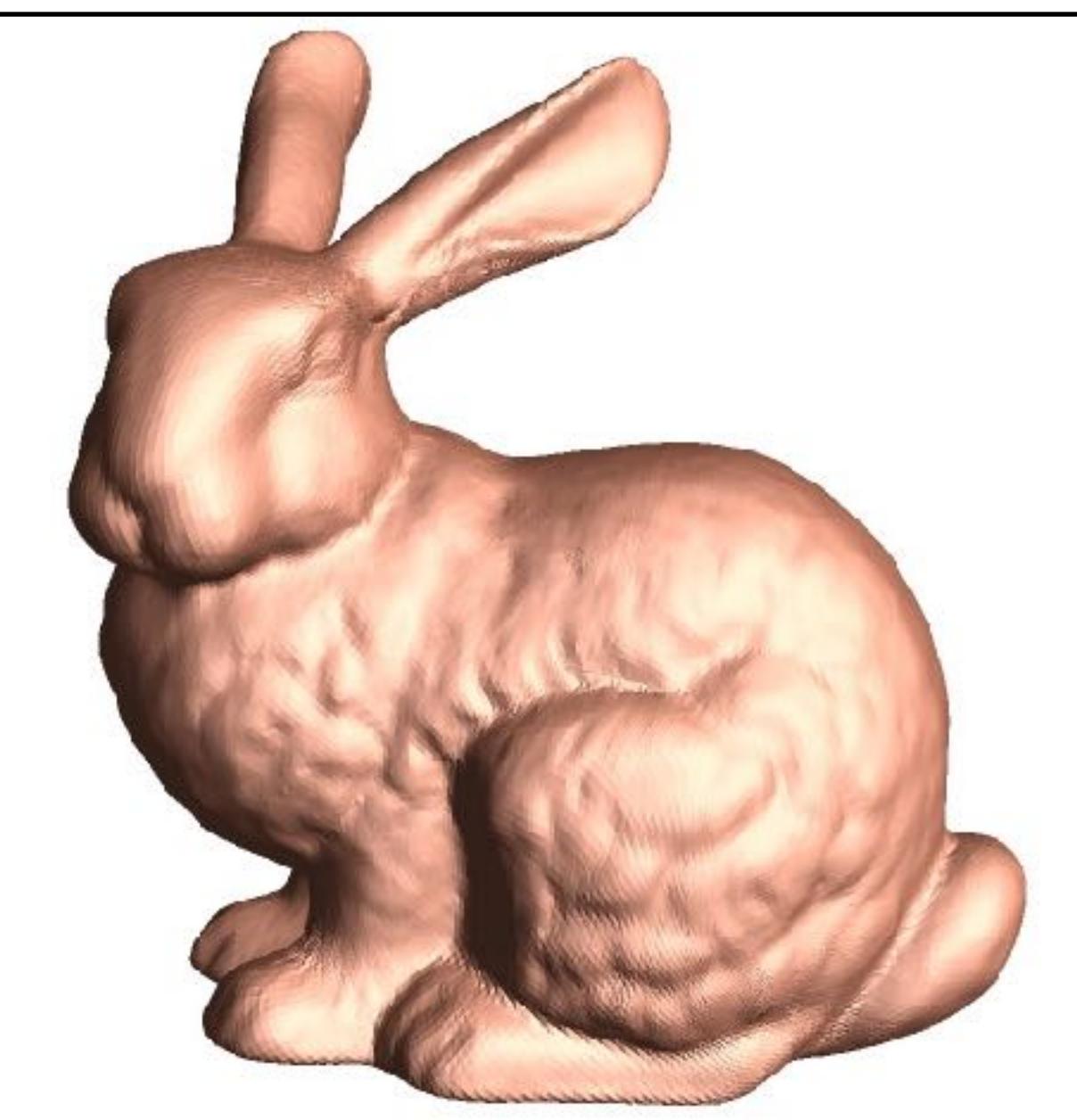
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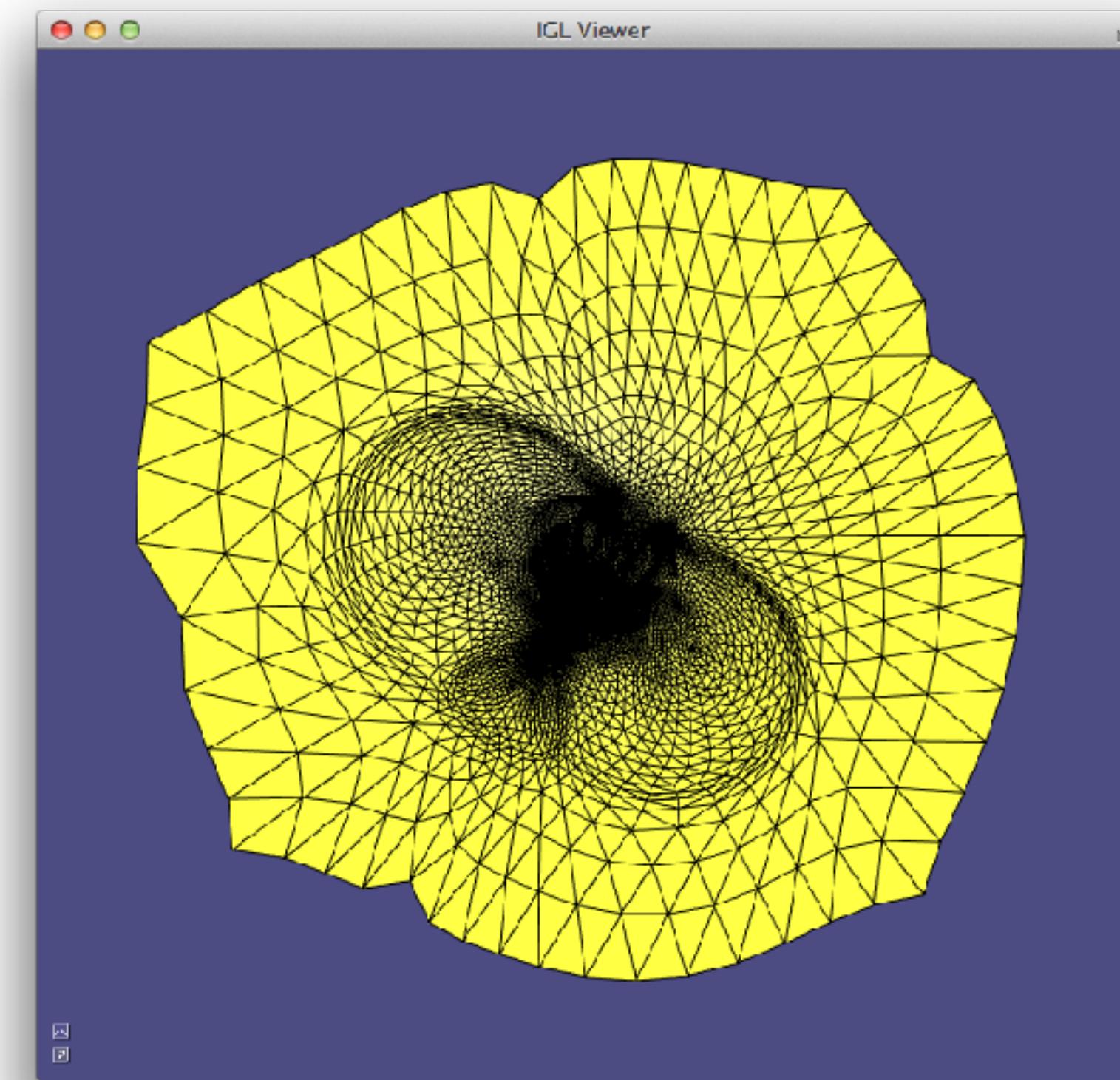
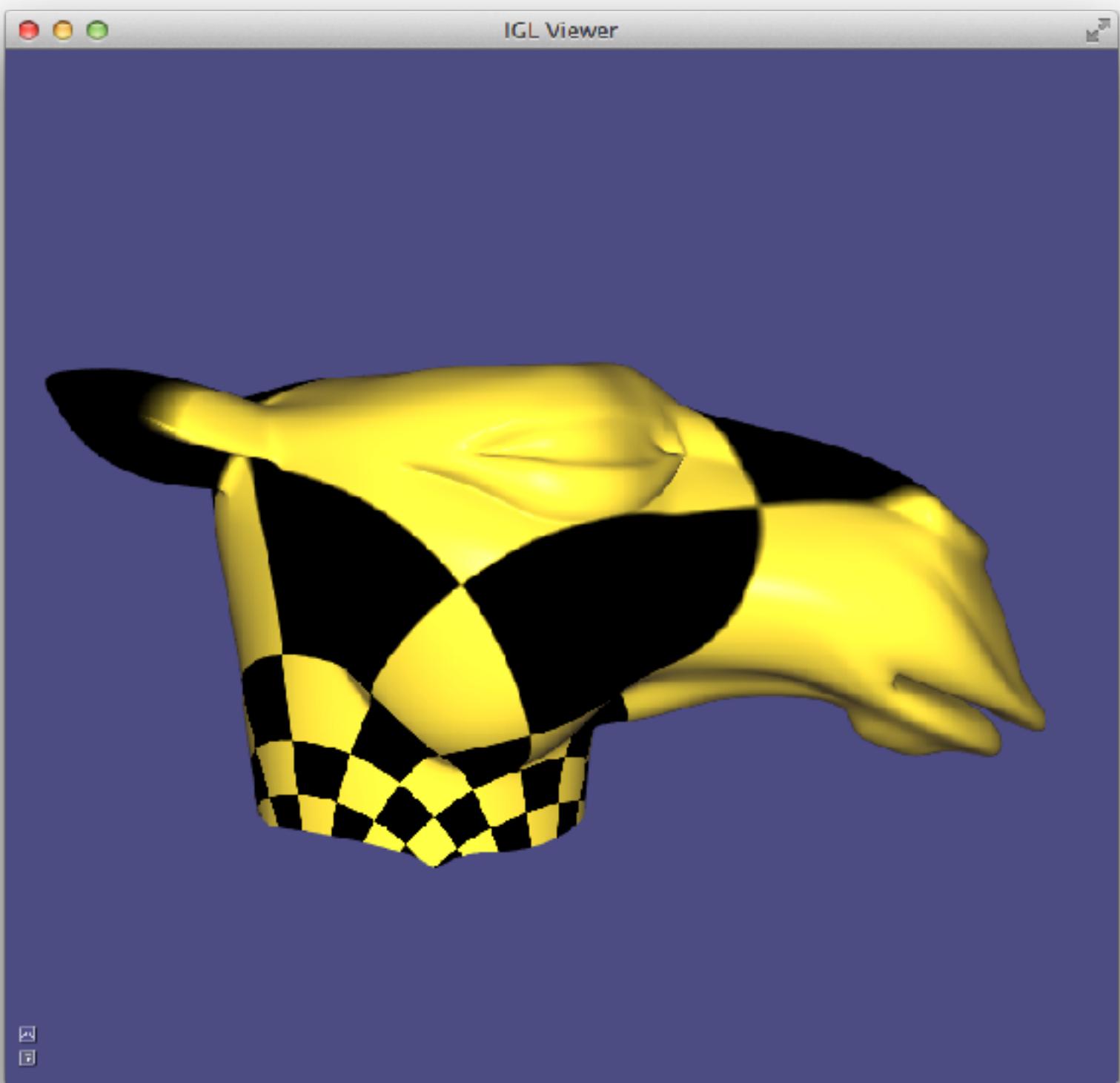
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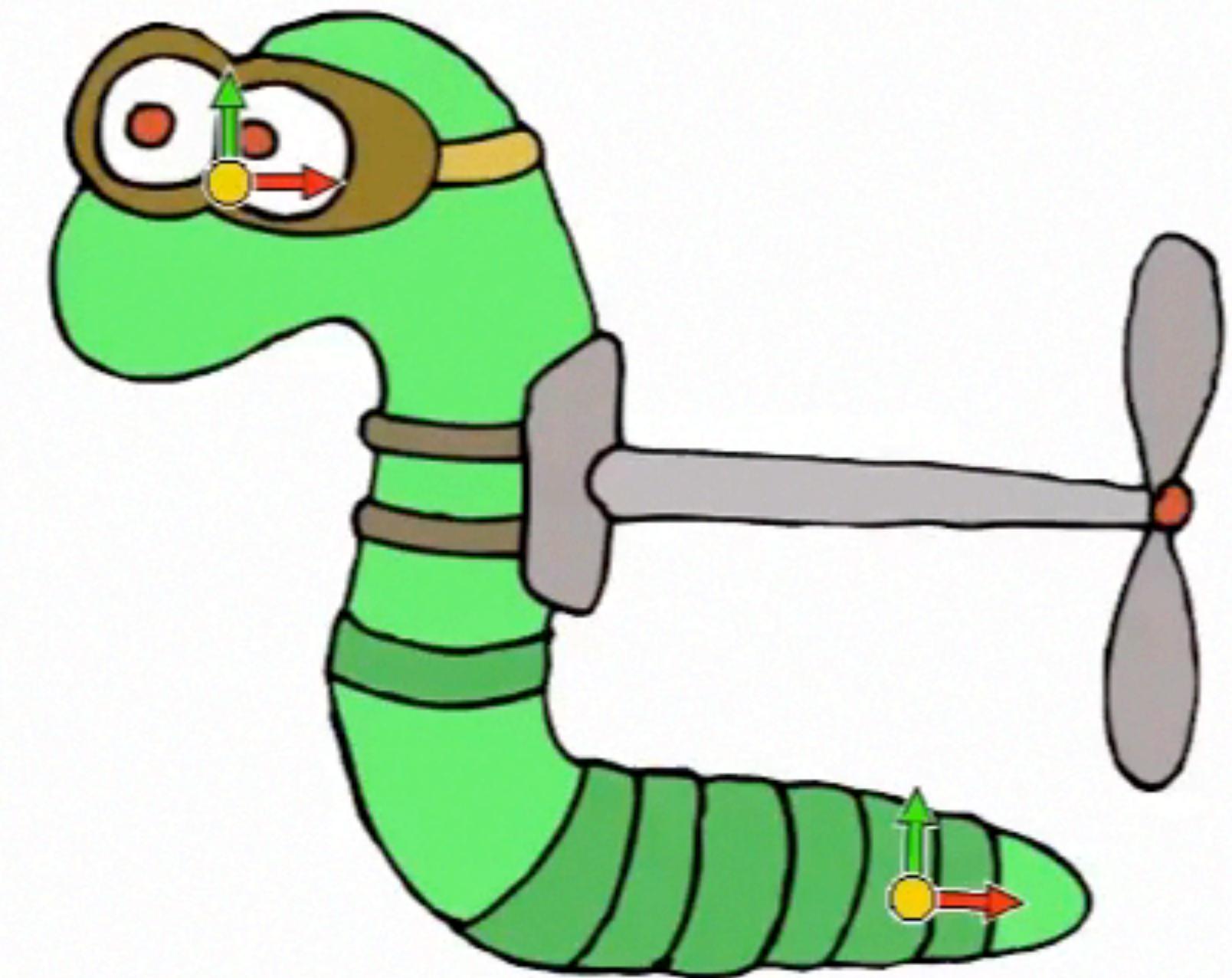
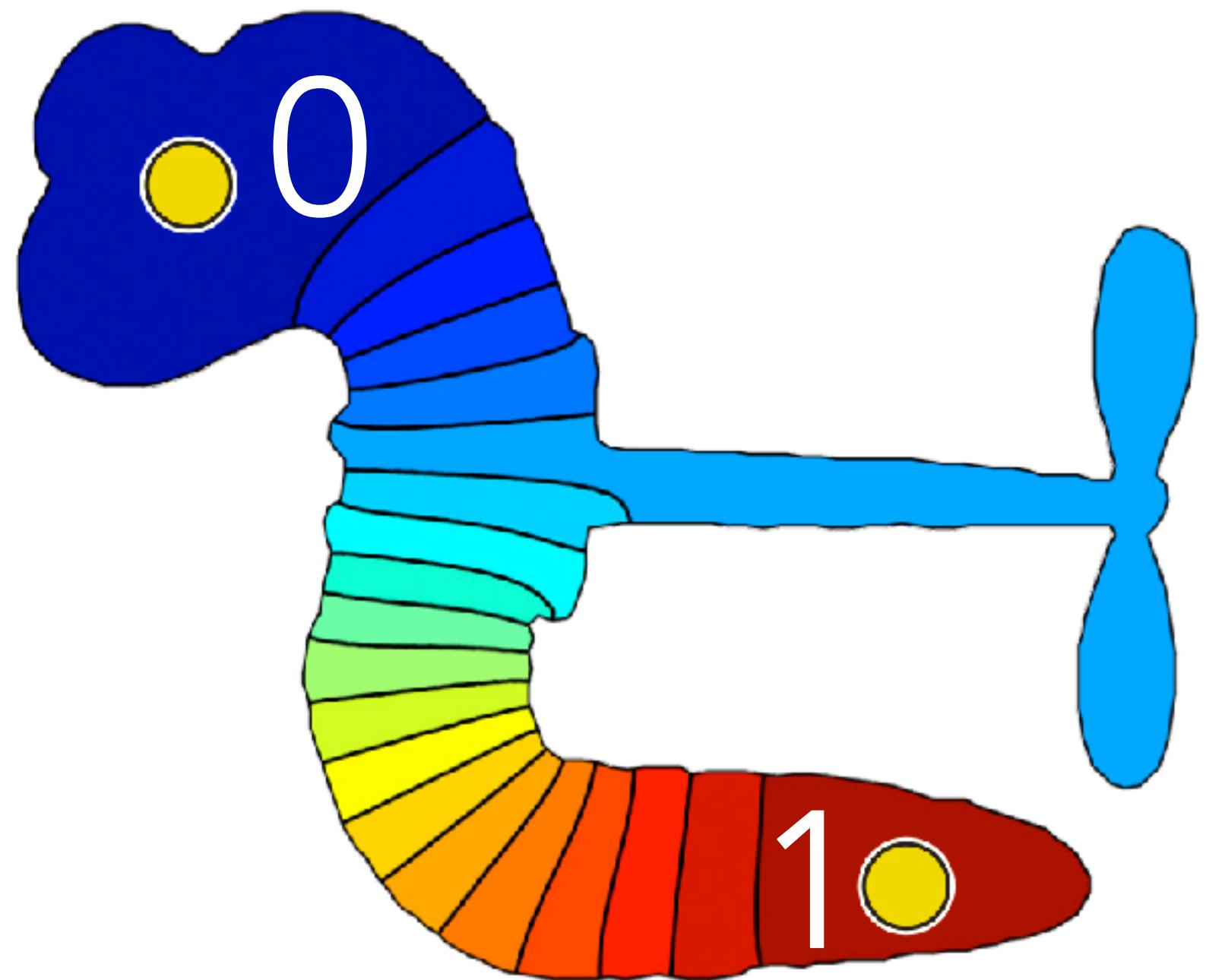
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# Designing Scalar Functions

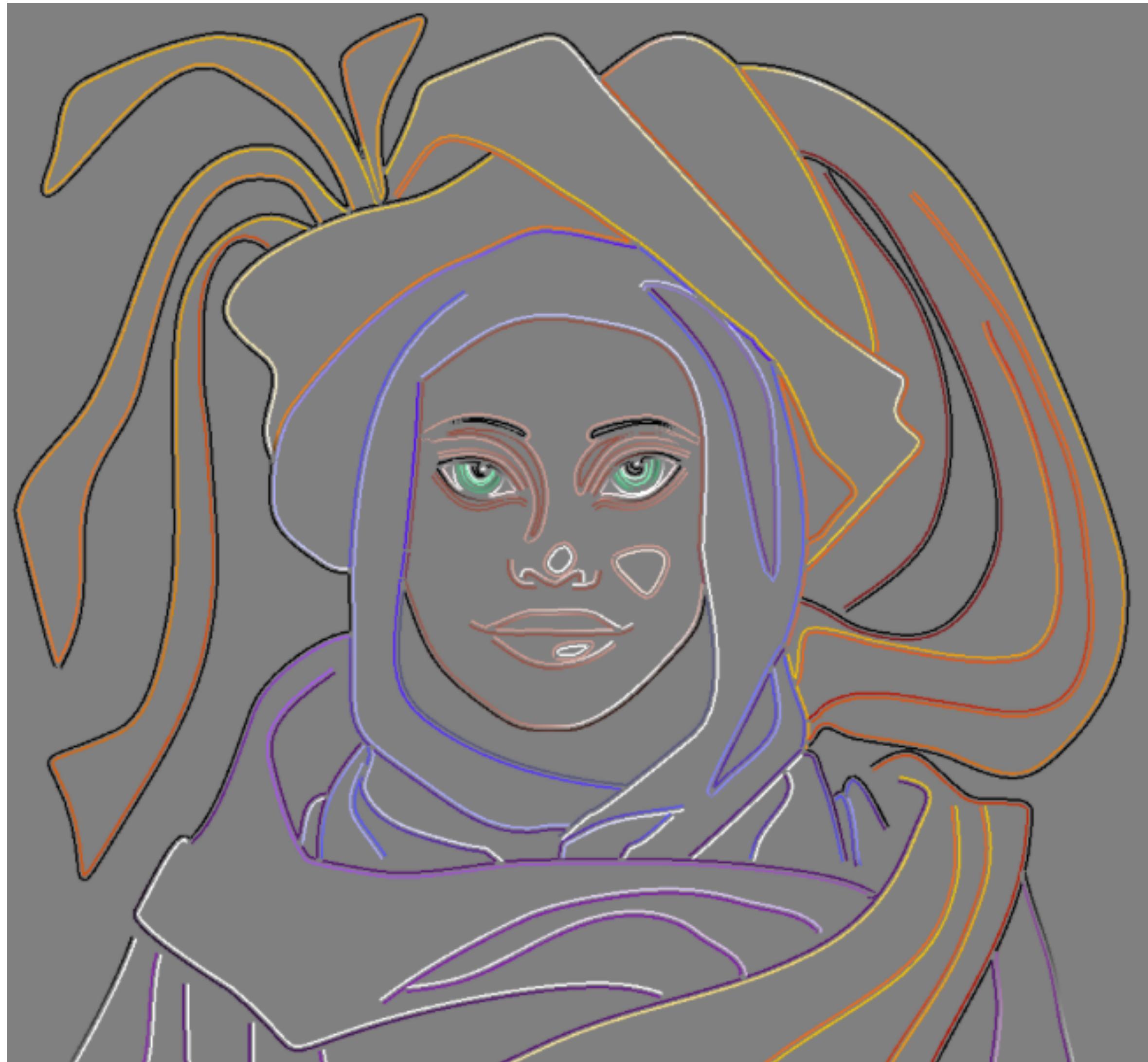
# Parametrization = 2 Scalar Functions



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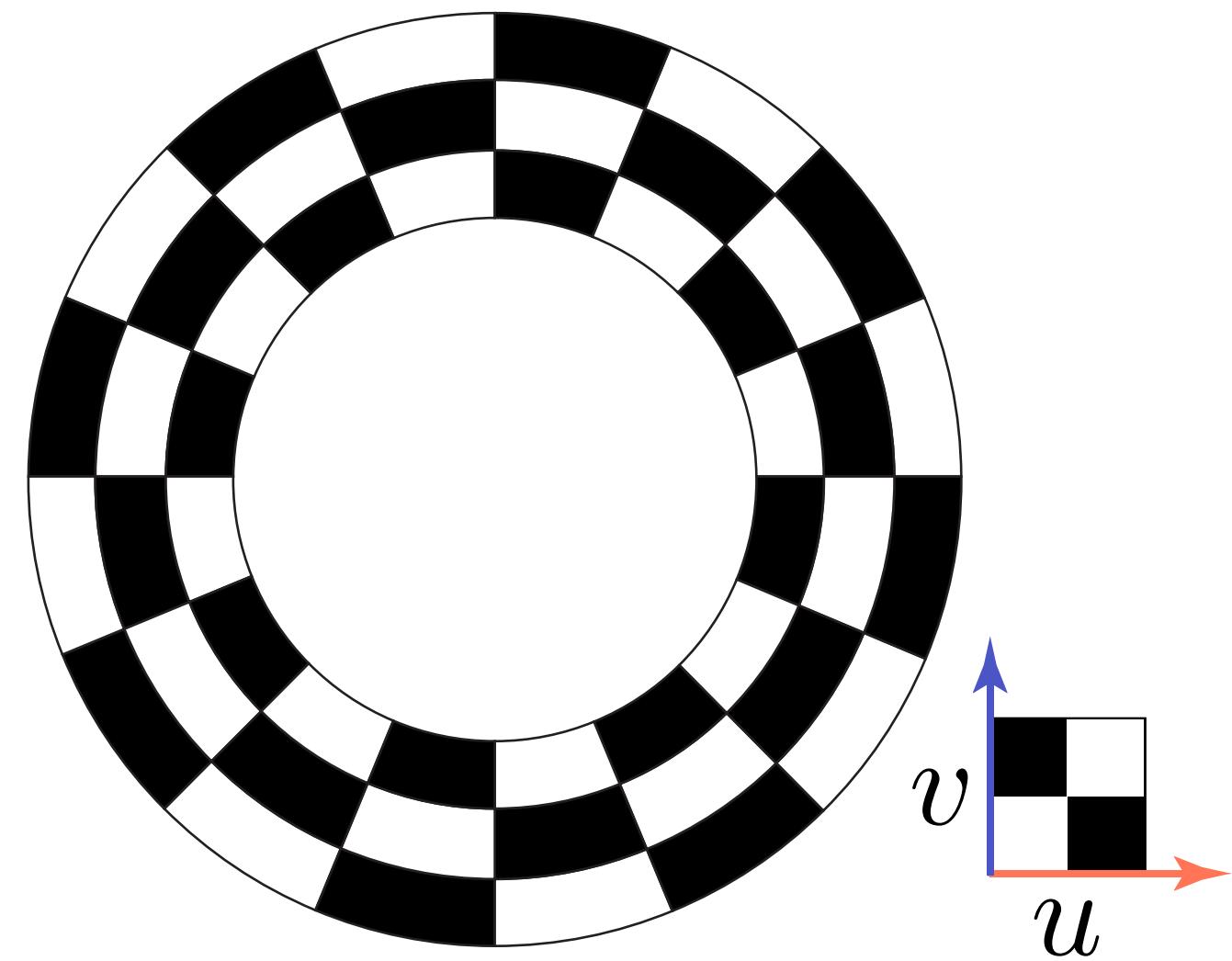


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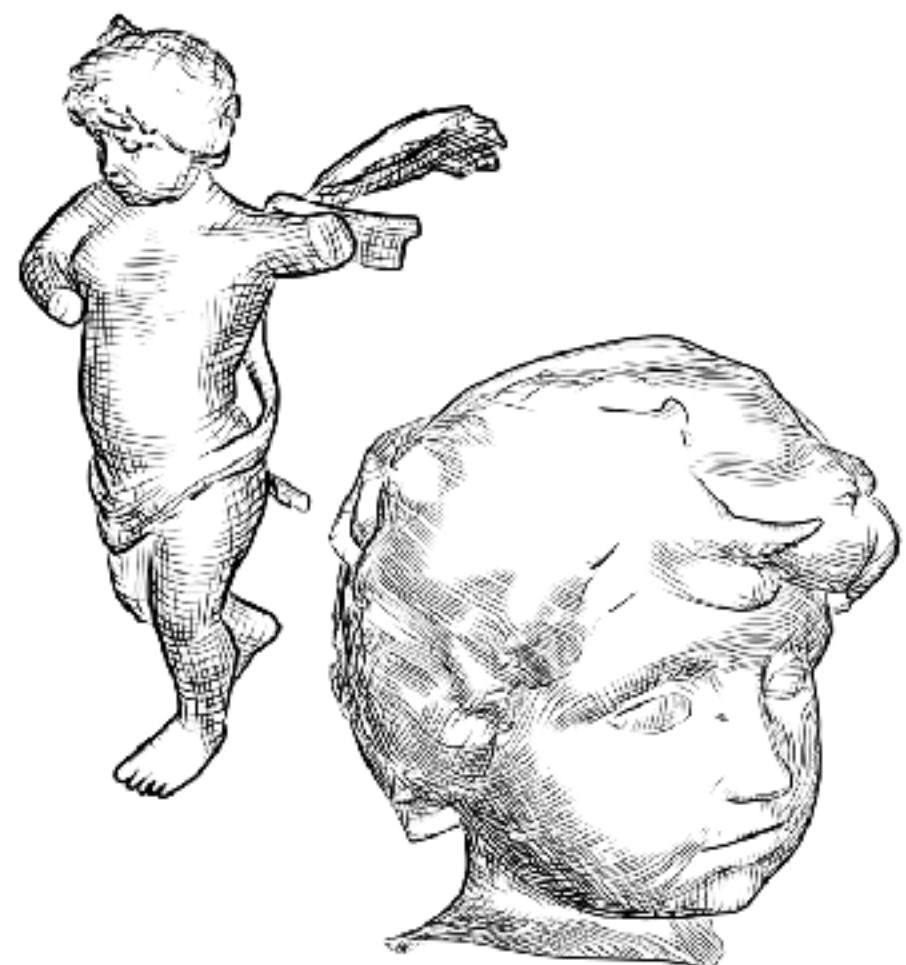


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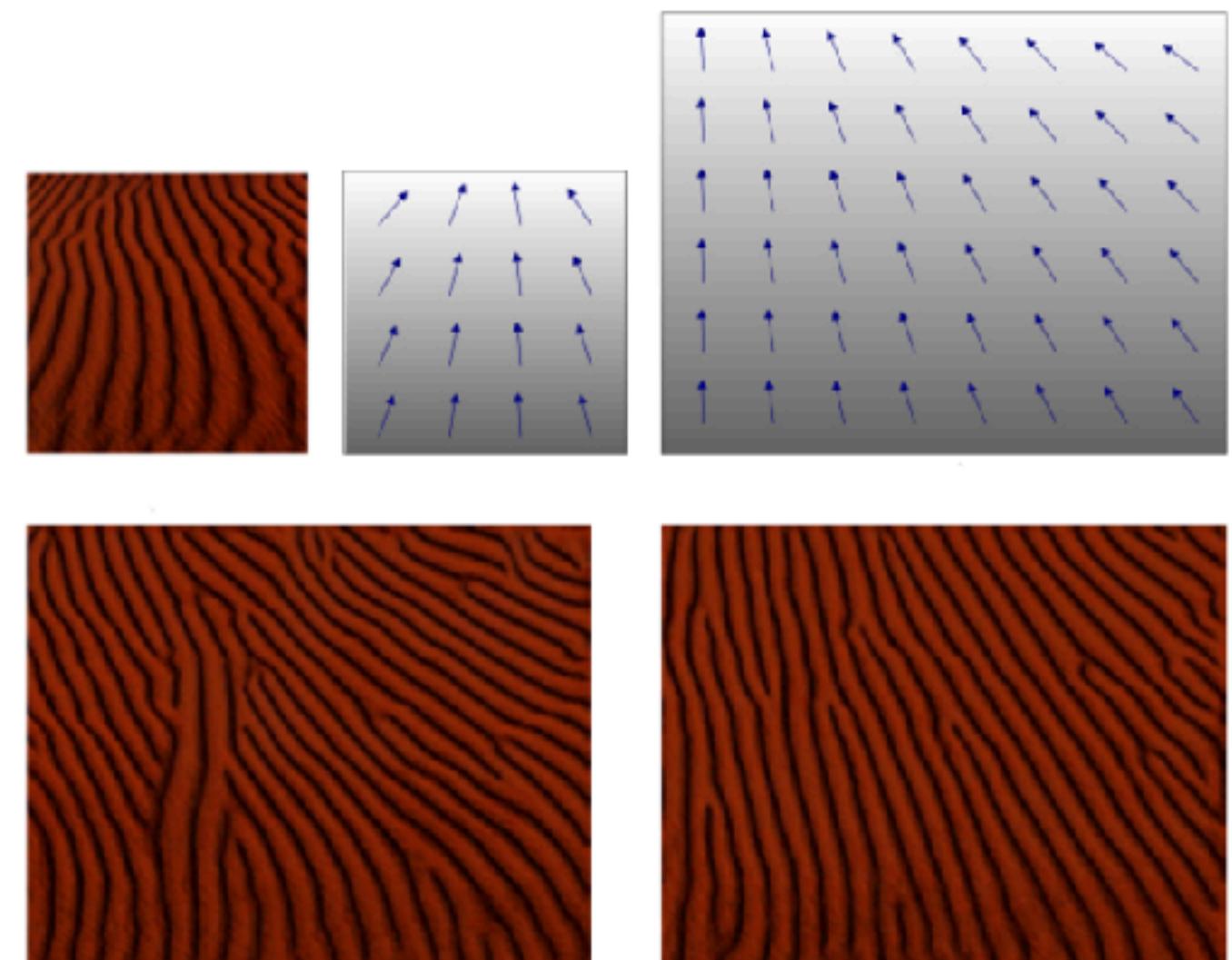
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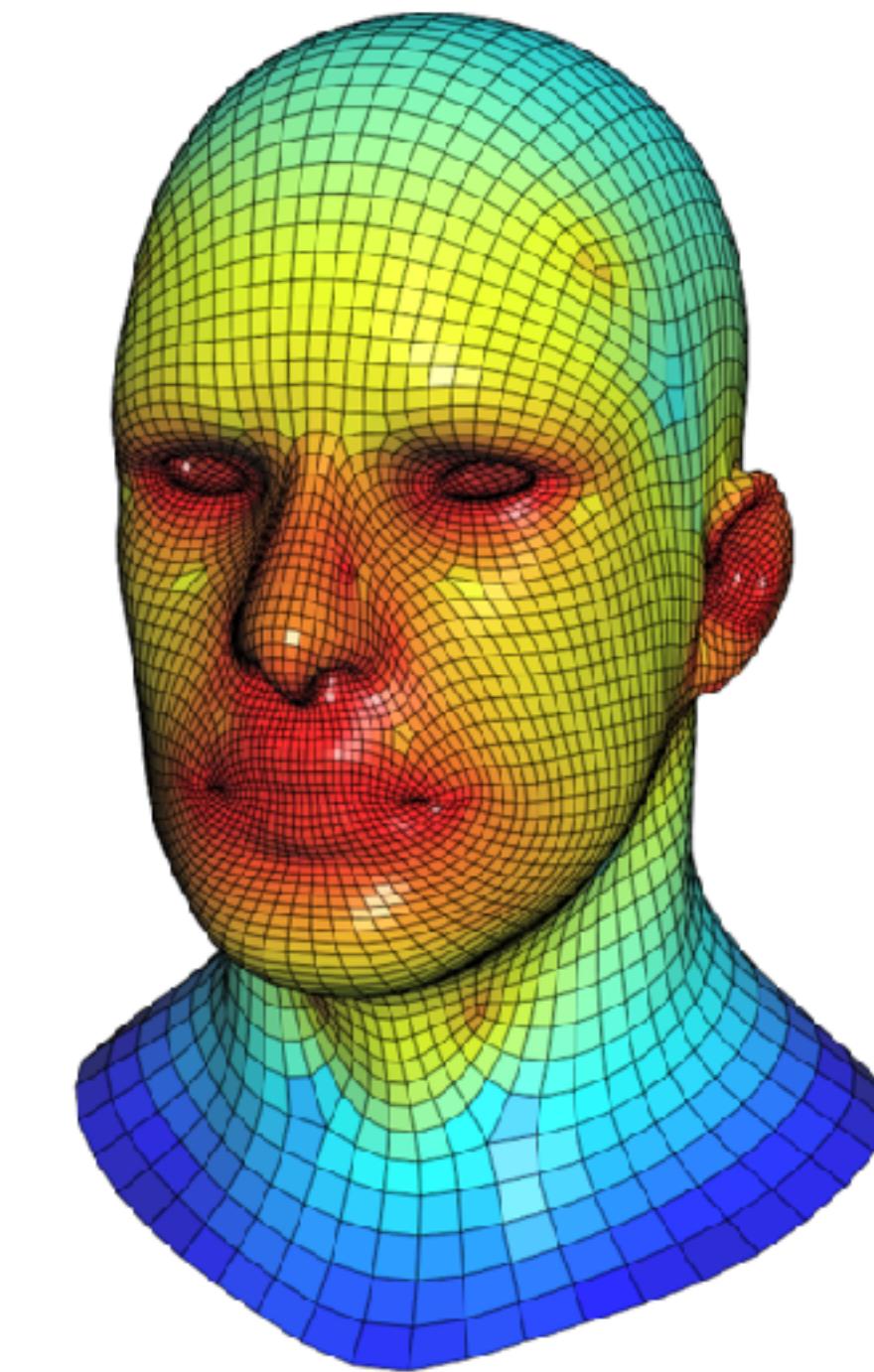
# Designing Gradients



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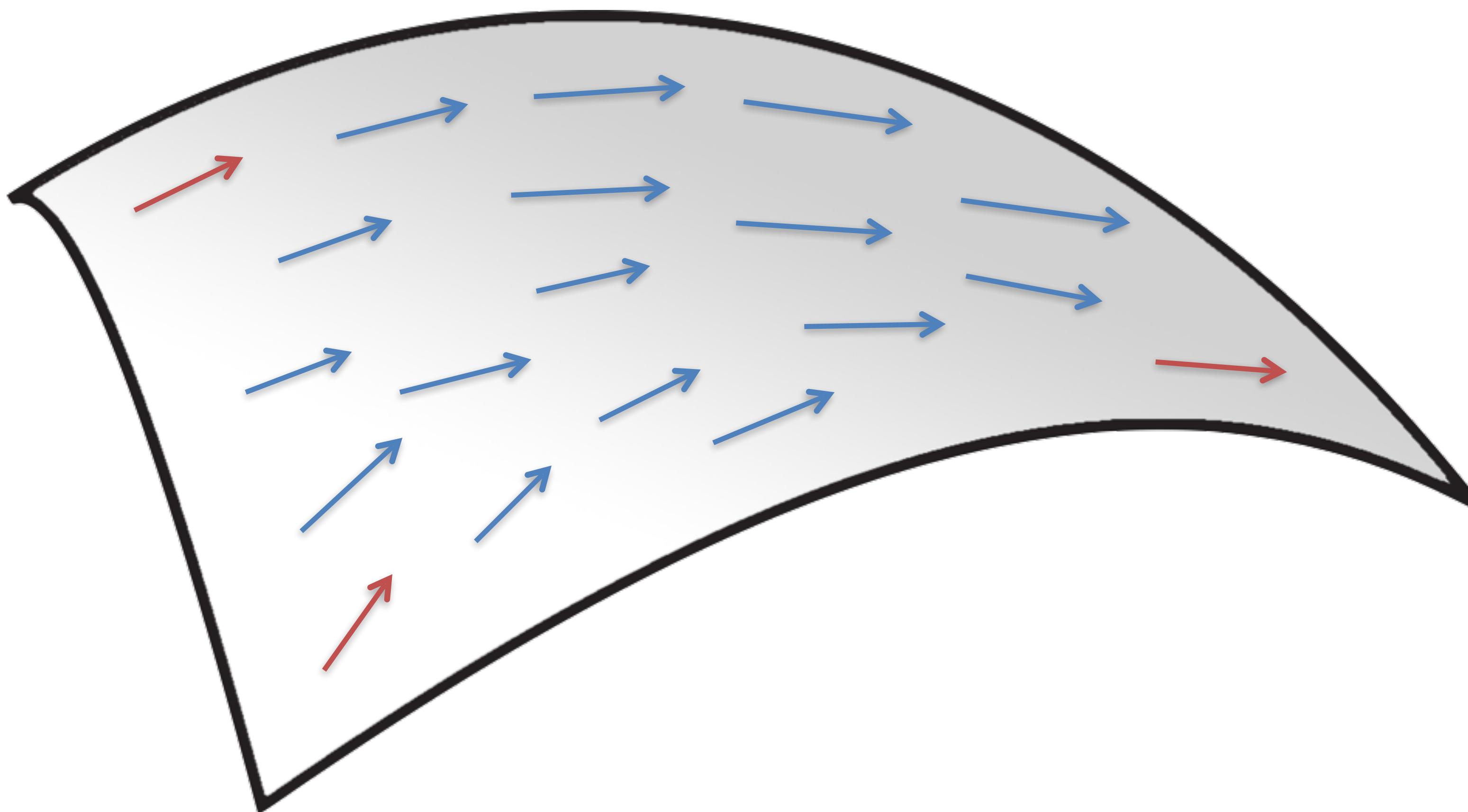


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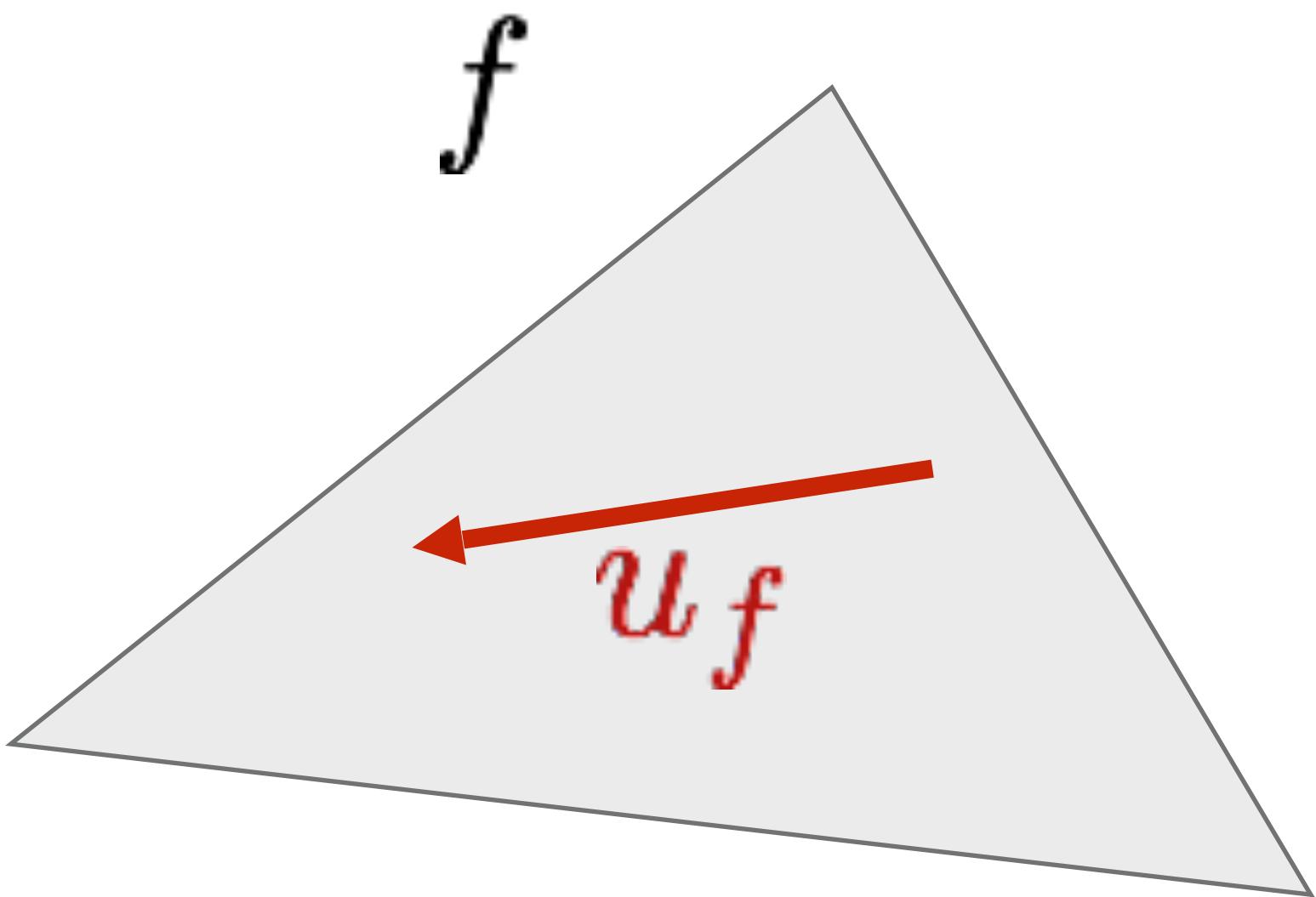


Meshting

# Intepolating Vectors



# Poisson Problem



Condition per triangle

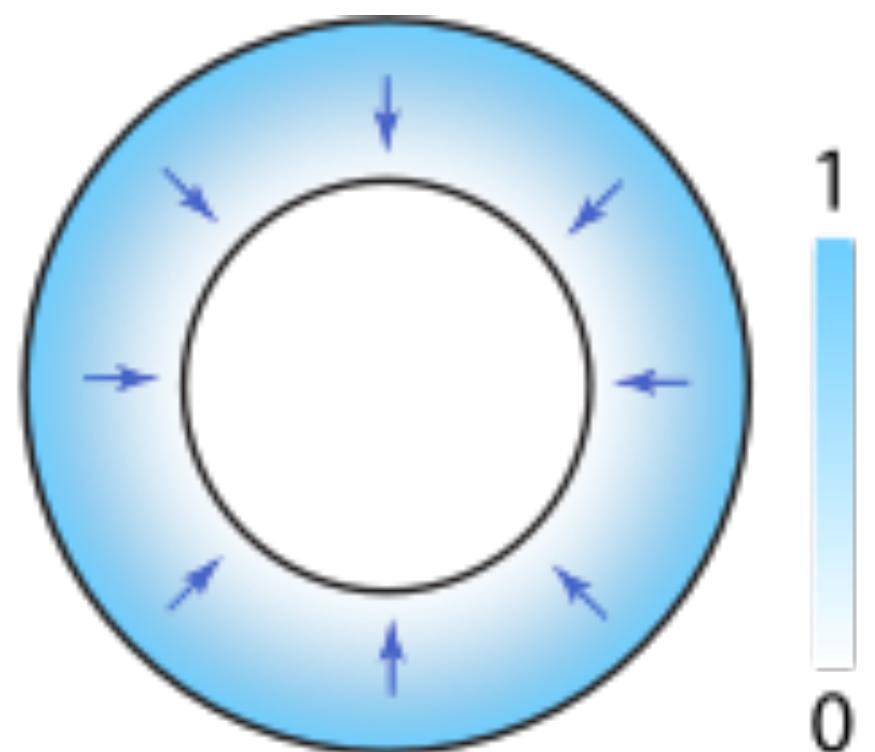
$$(\nabla s)_f = u_f$$

Error per triangle

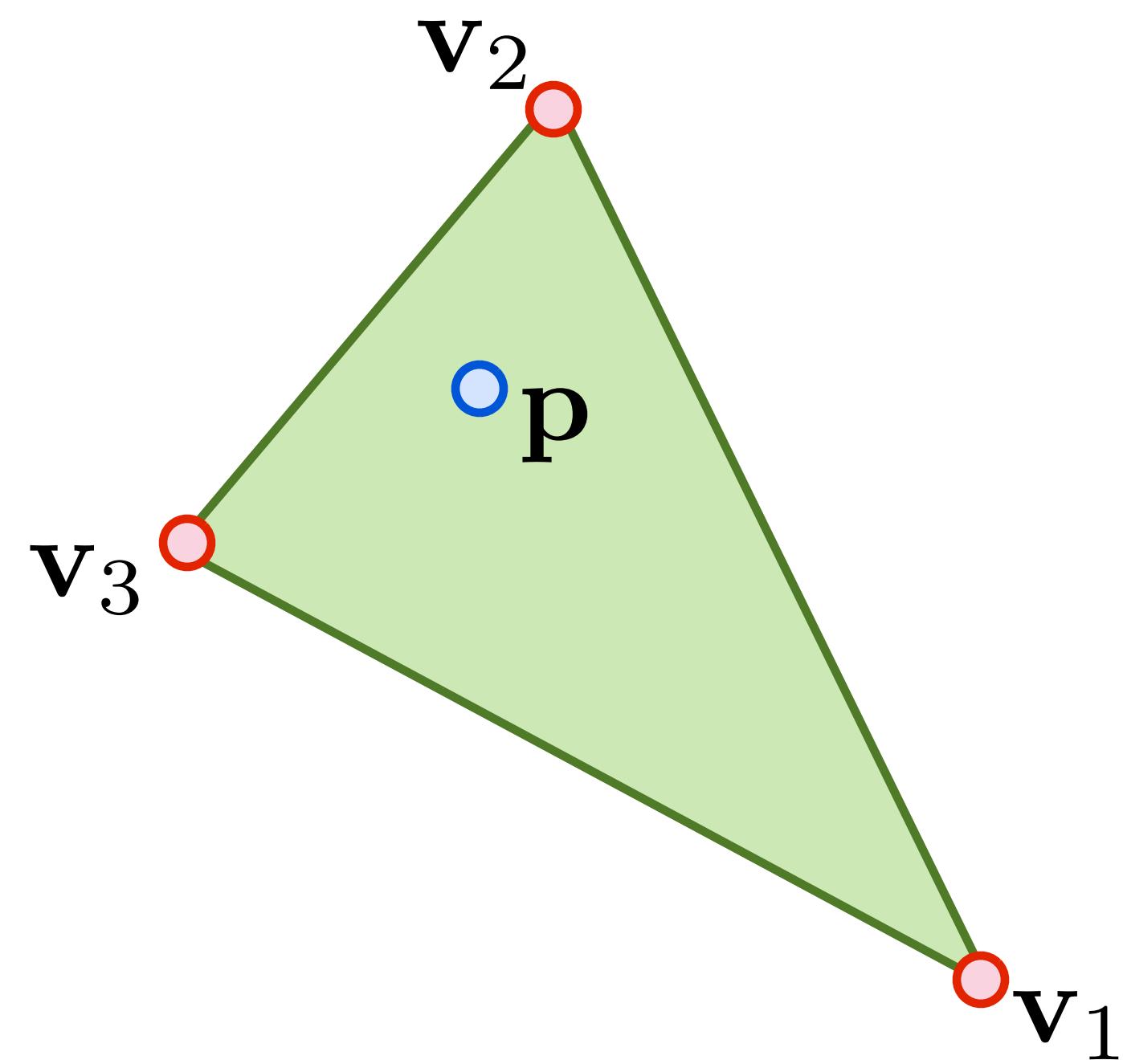
$$P_f = \|(\nabla s)_f - u_f\|_2$$

Error over the entire mesh

$$P = \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} P_f$$

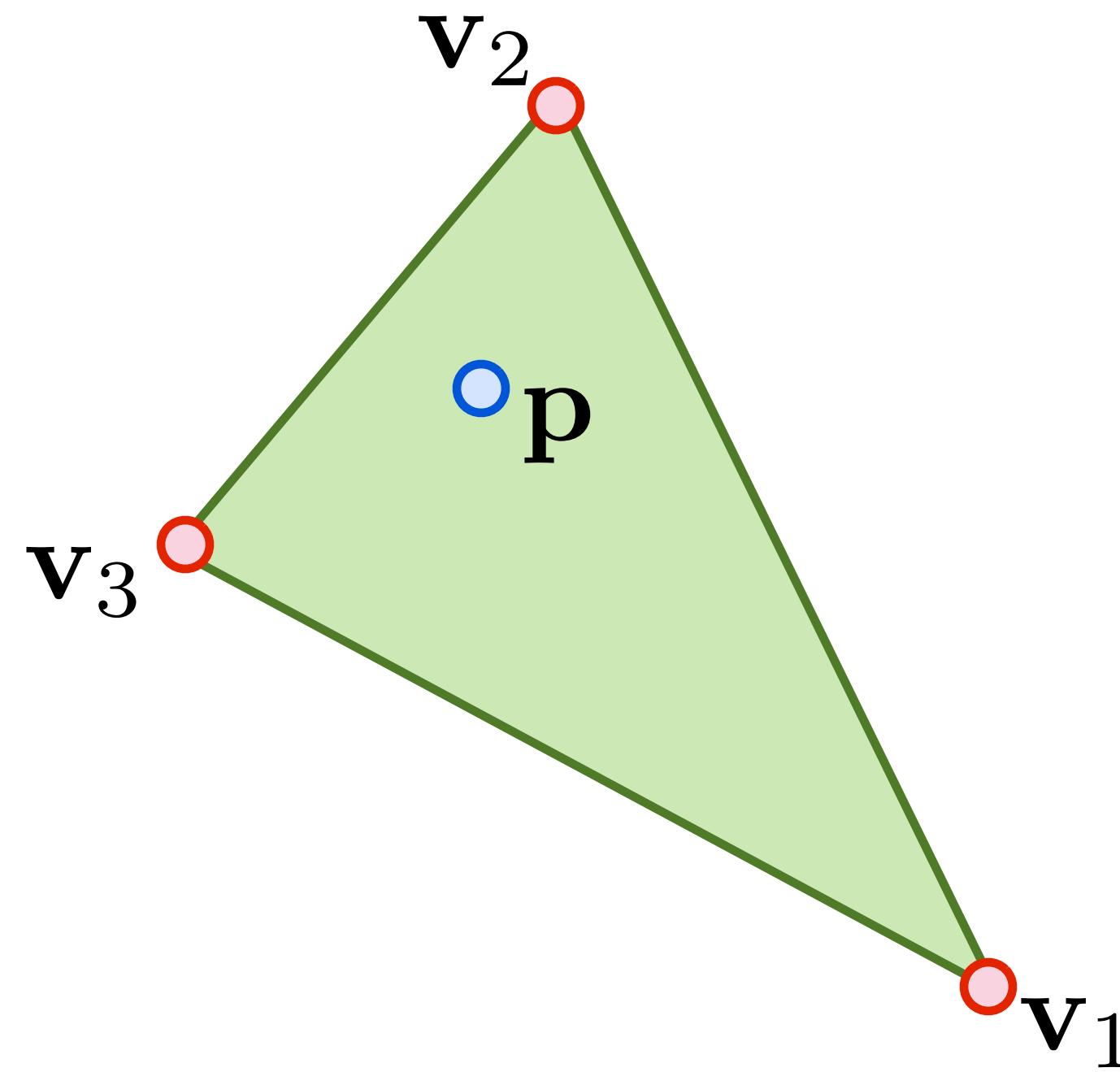


# Barycentric Coordinates



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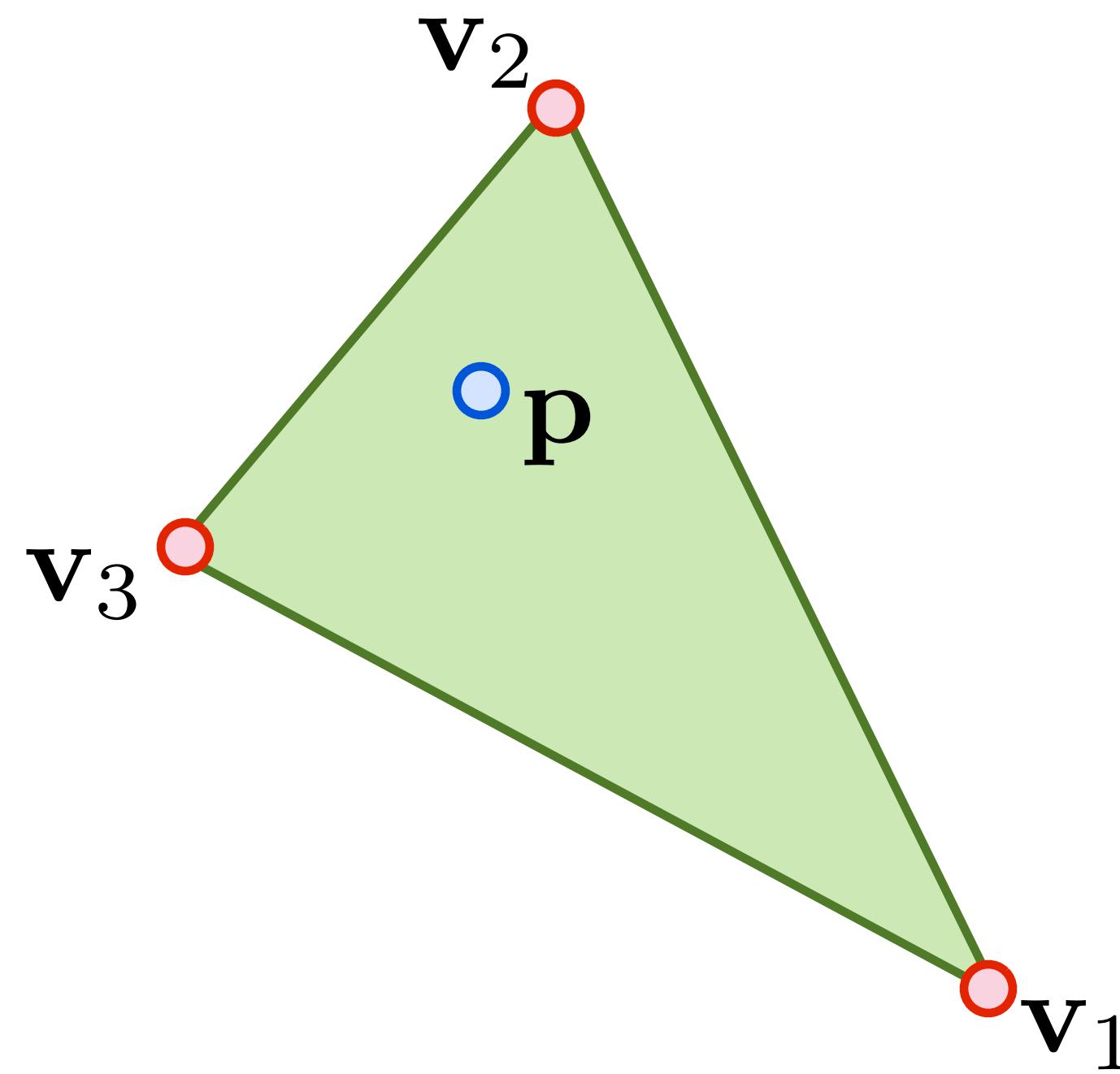


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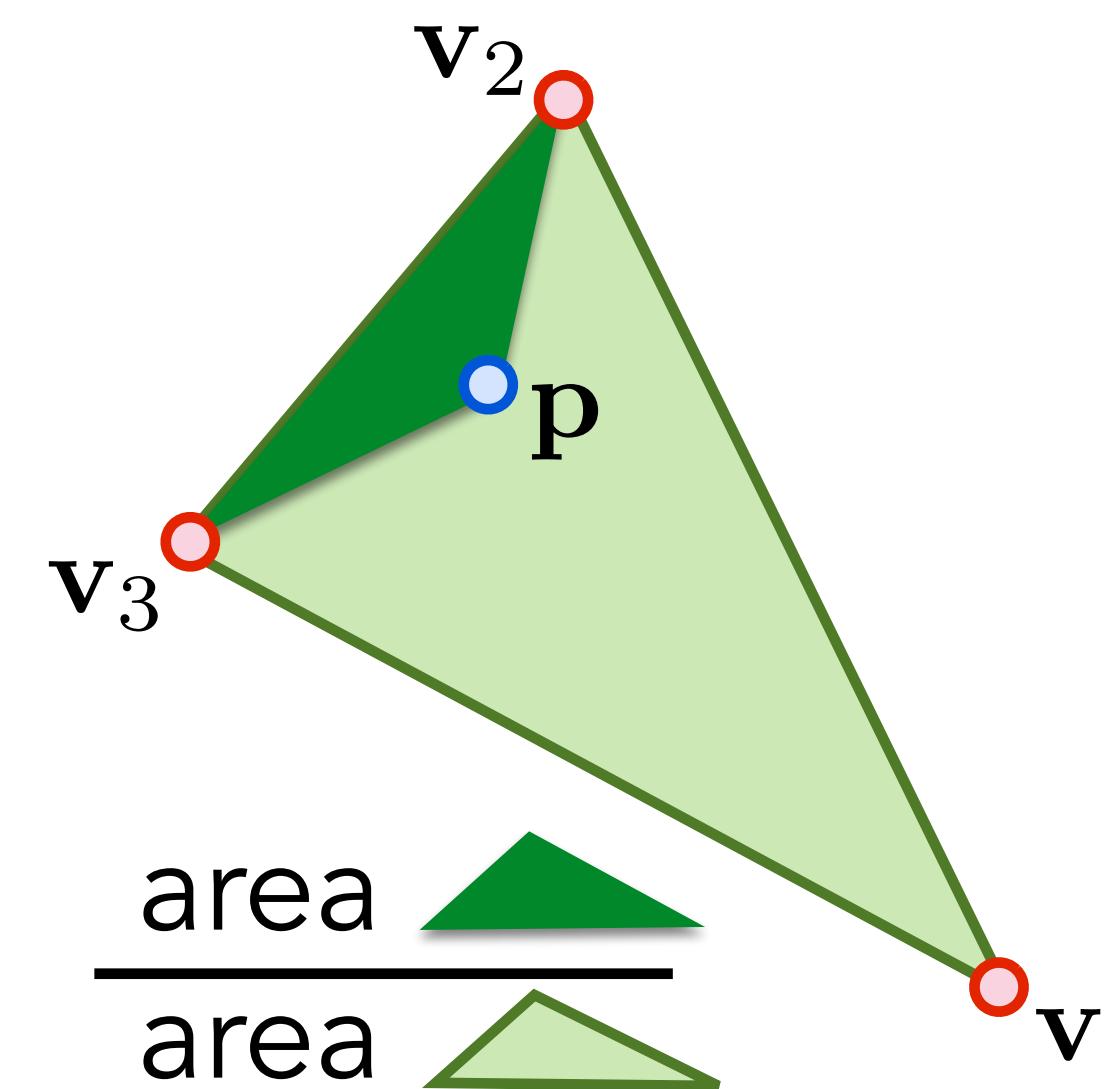
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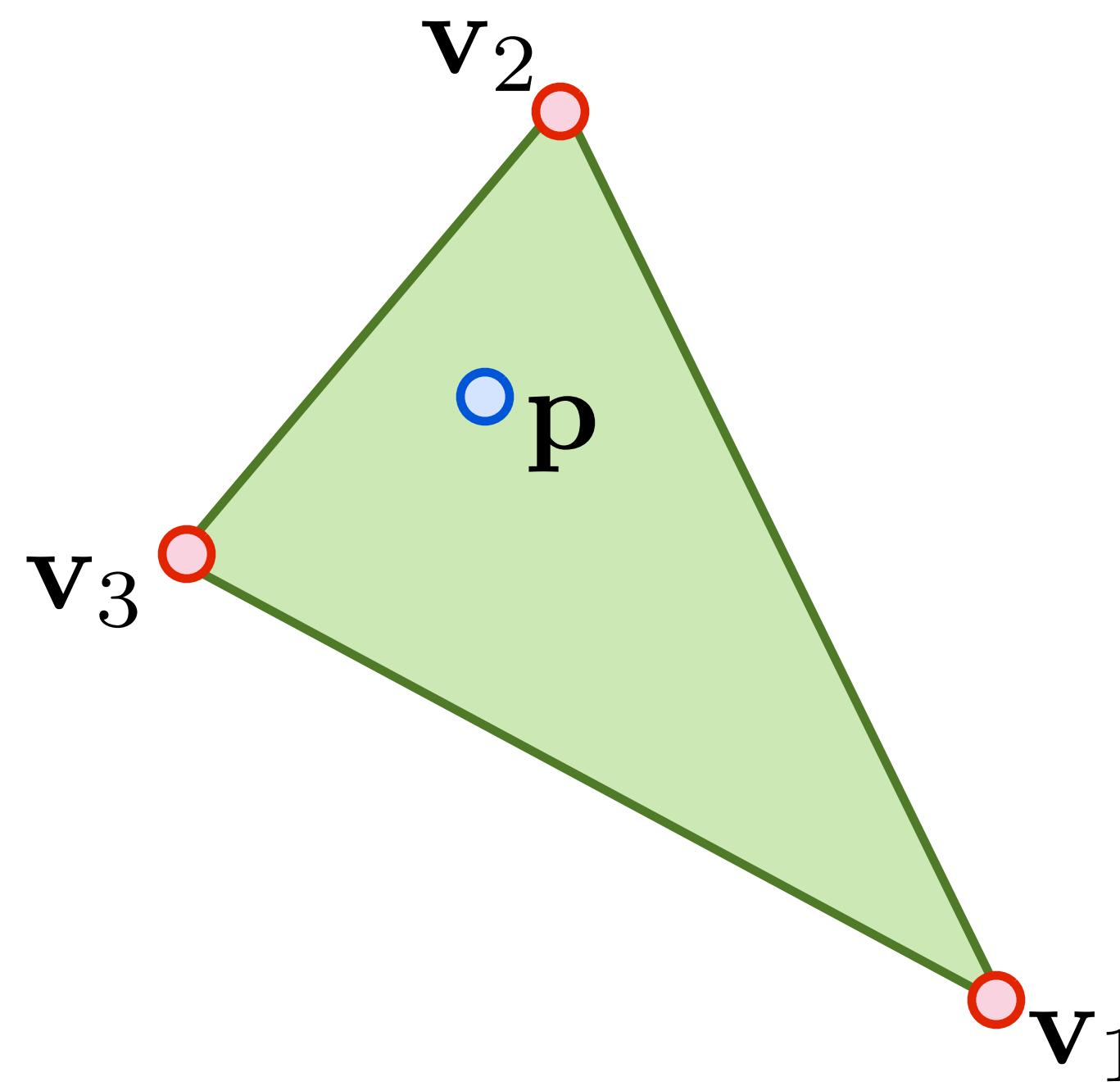
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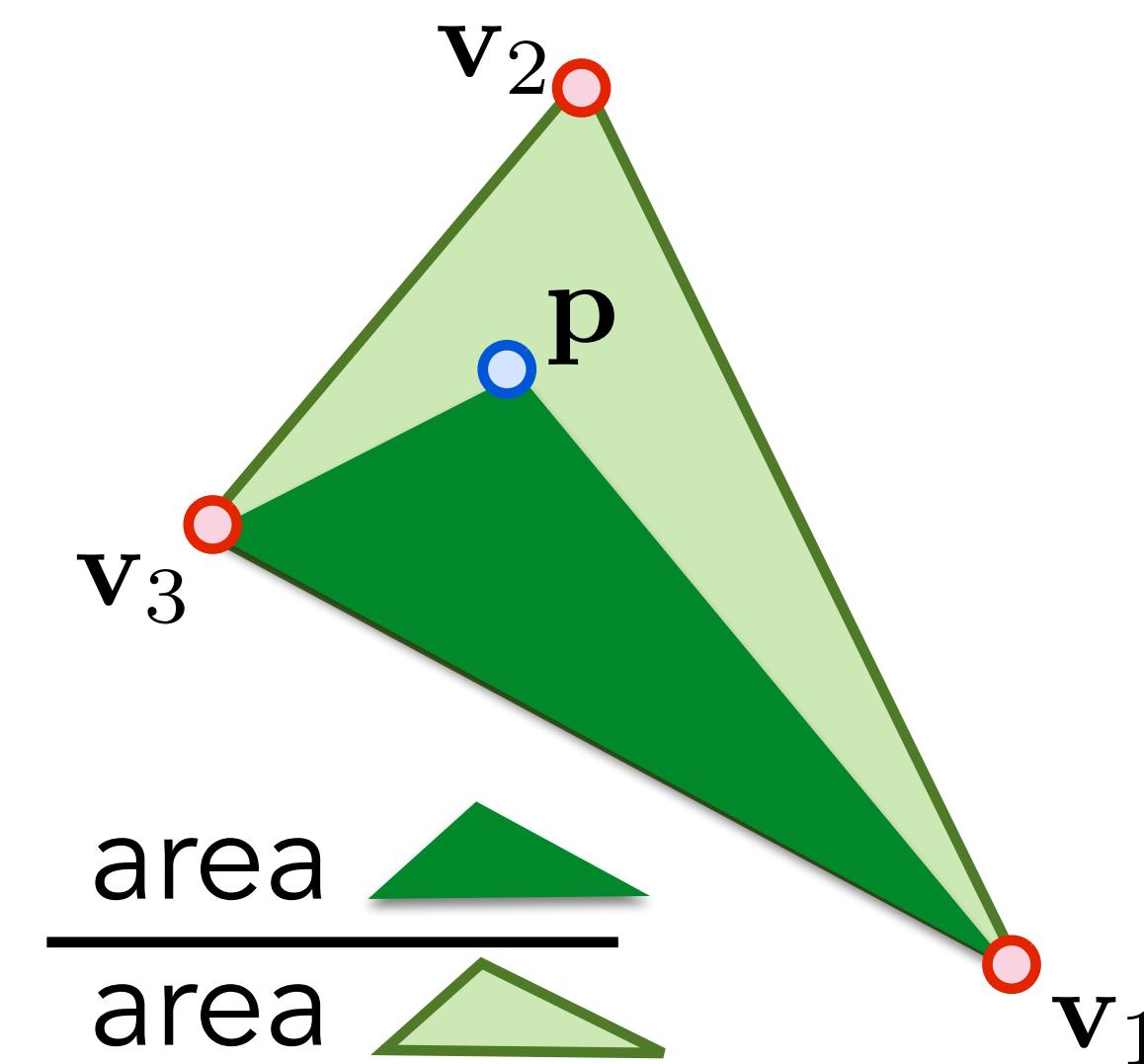
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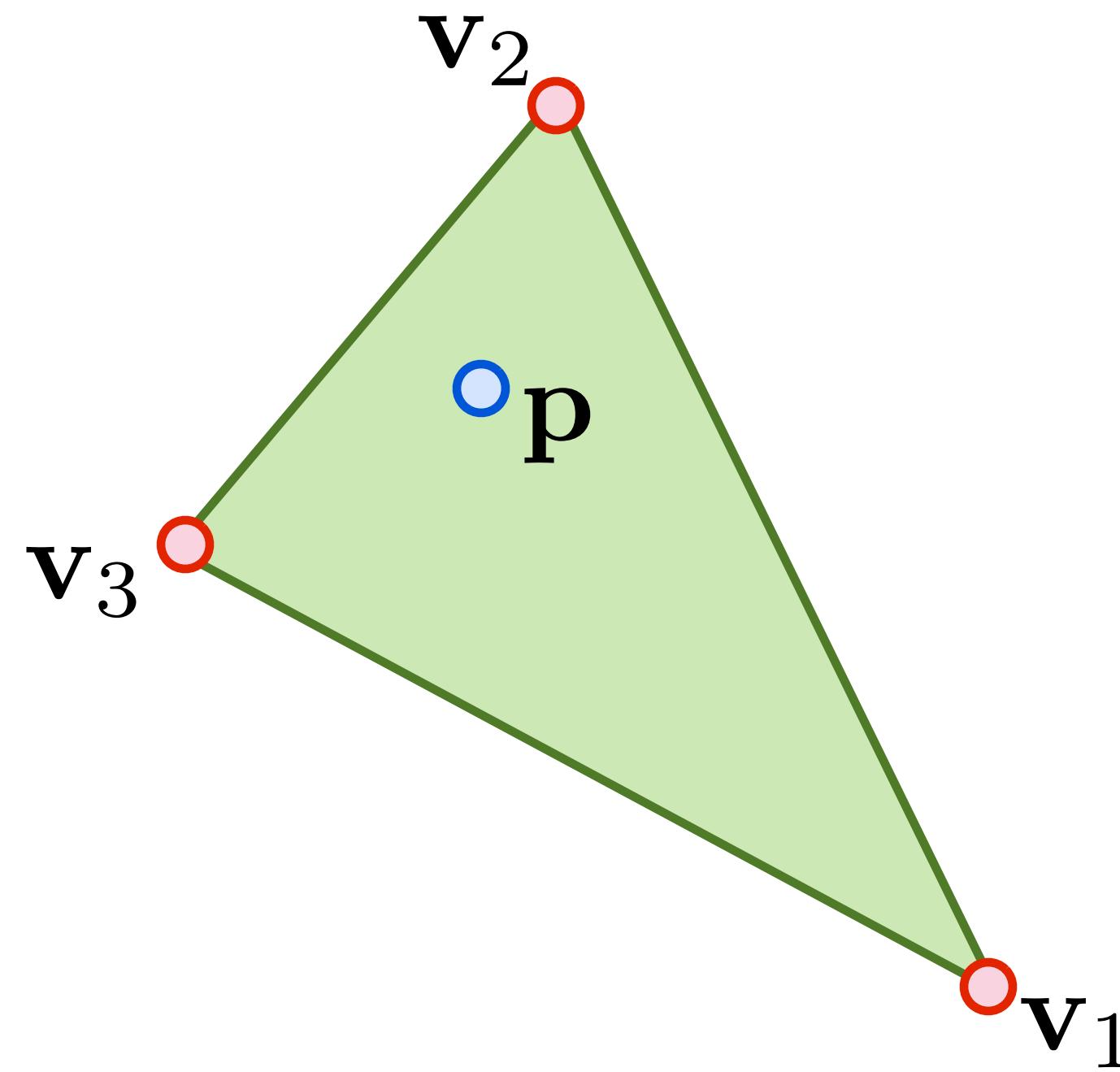
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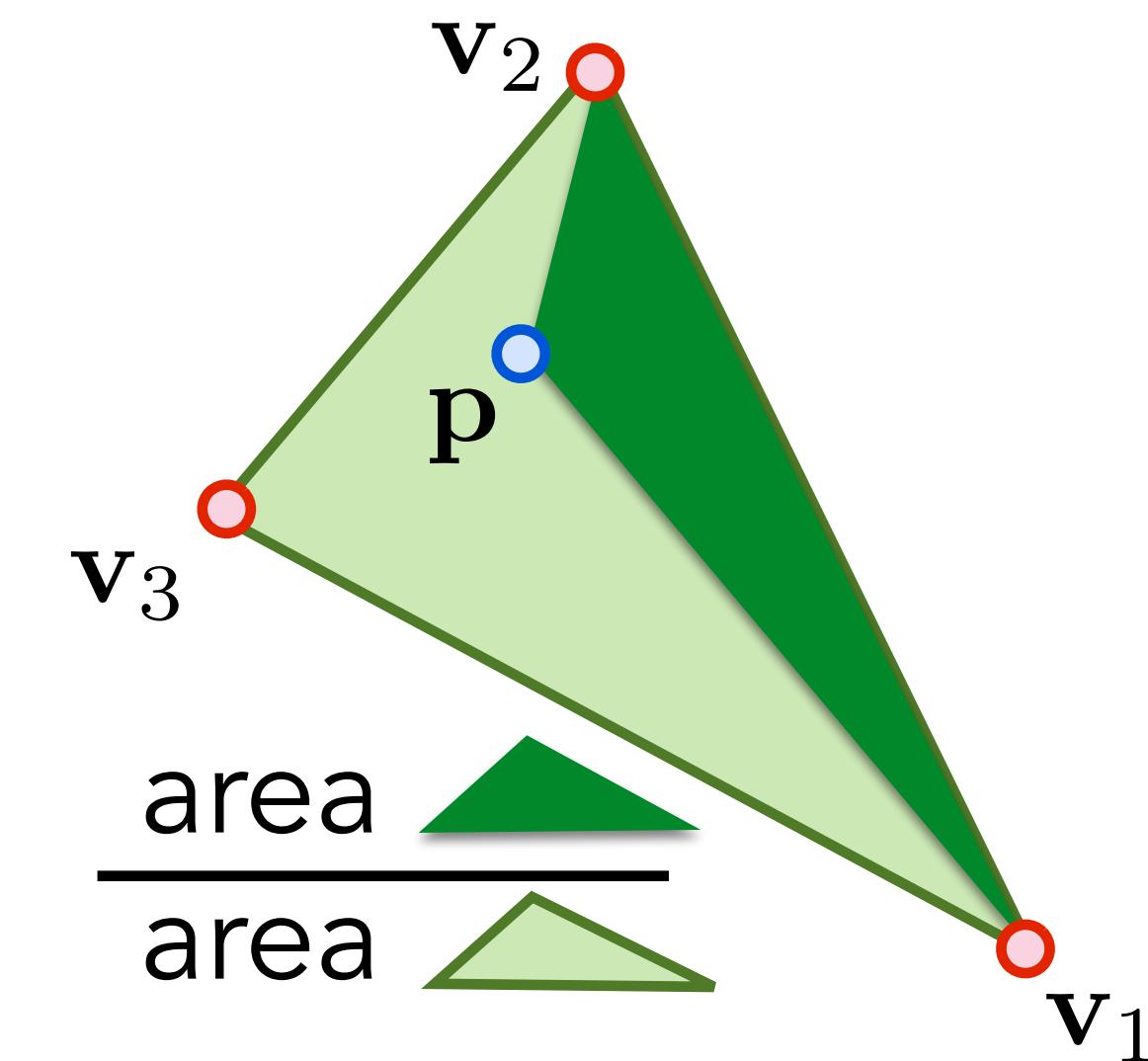
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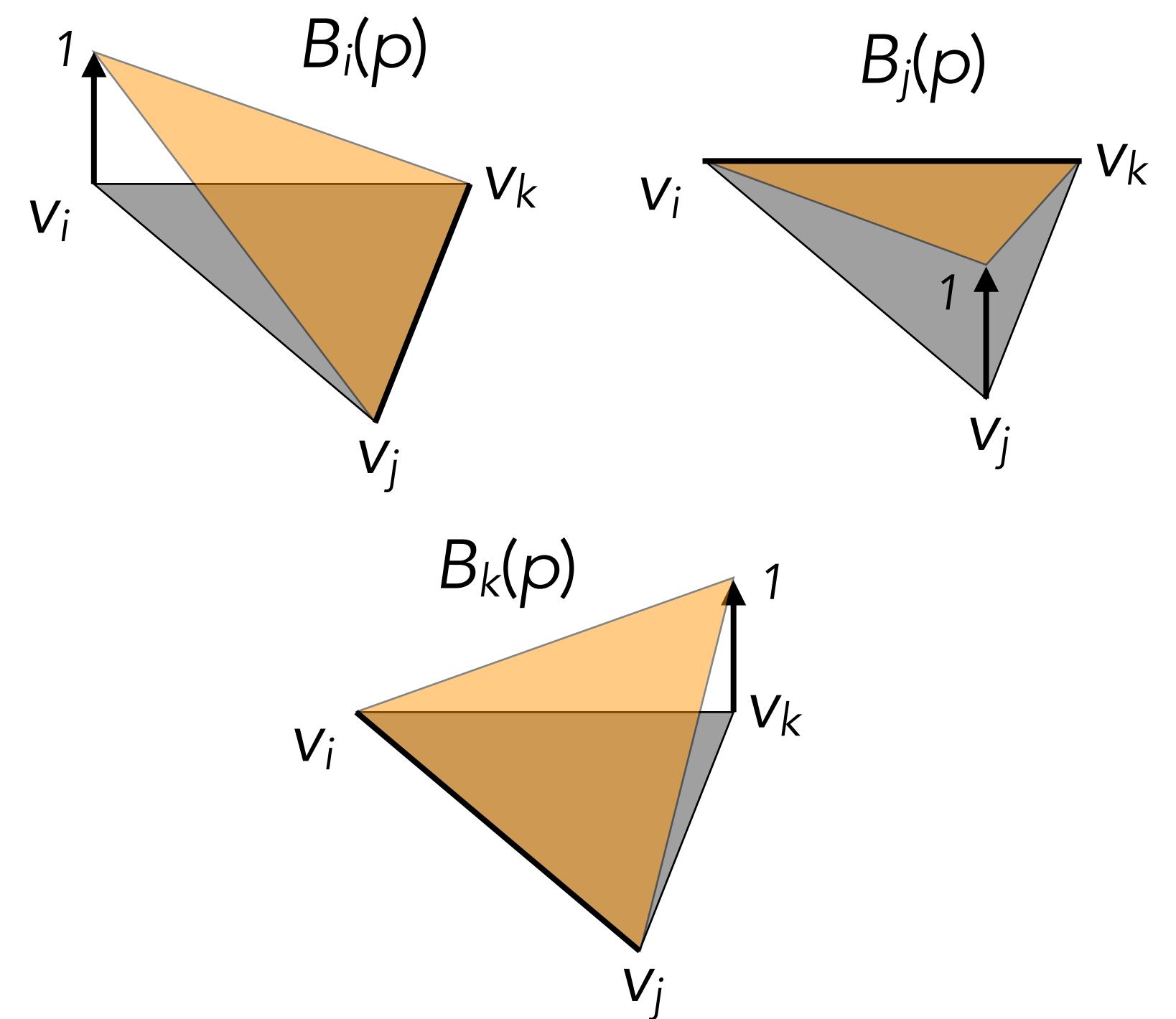


# Piecewise linear functions on meshes

Hat functions and PL interpolation

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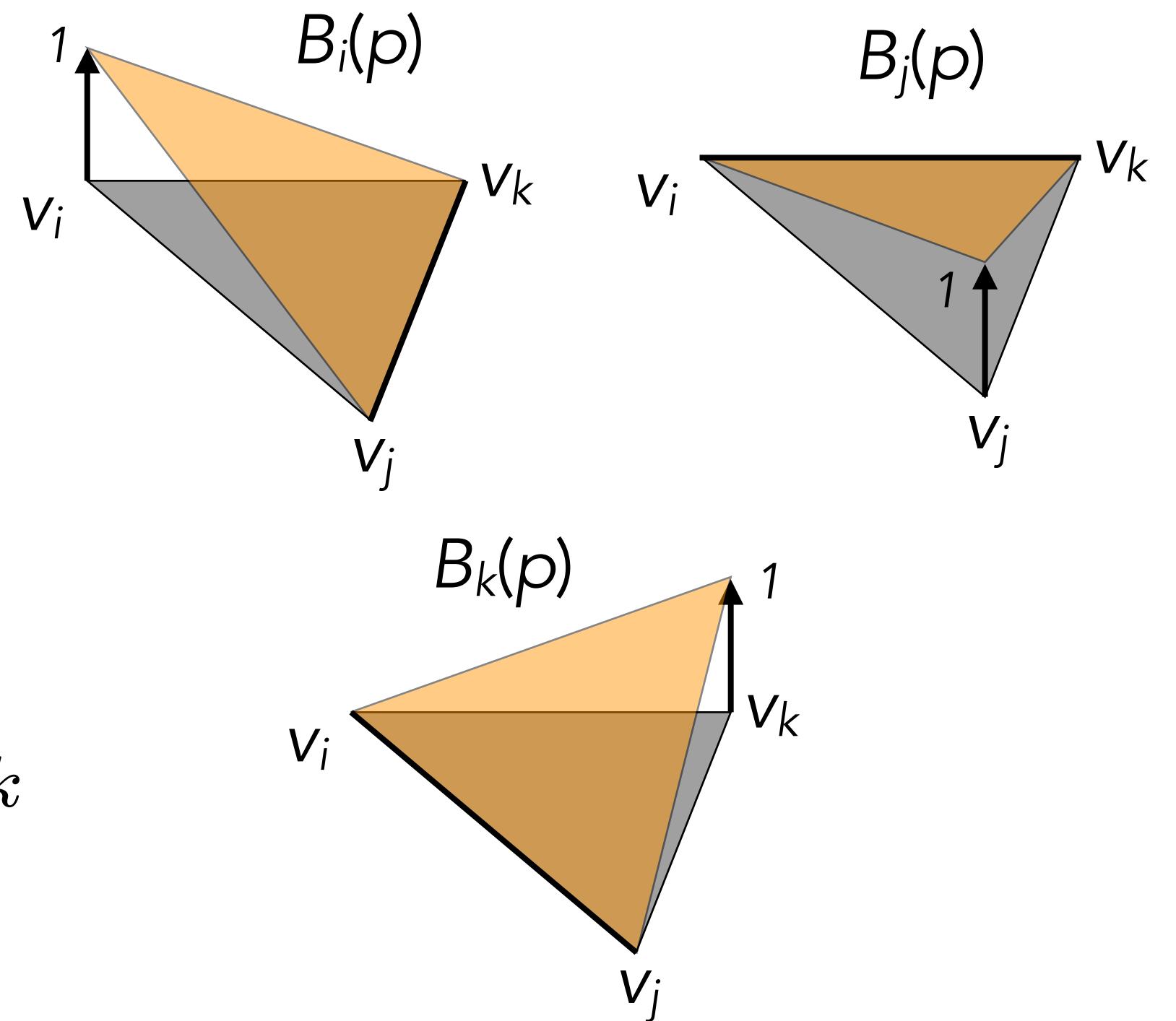
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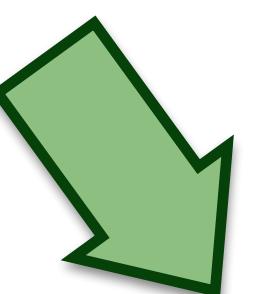
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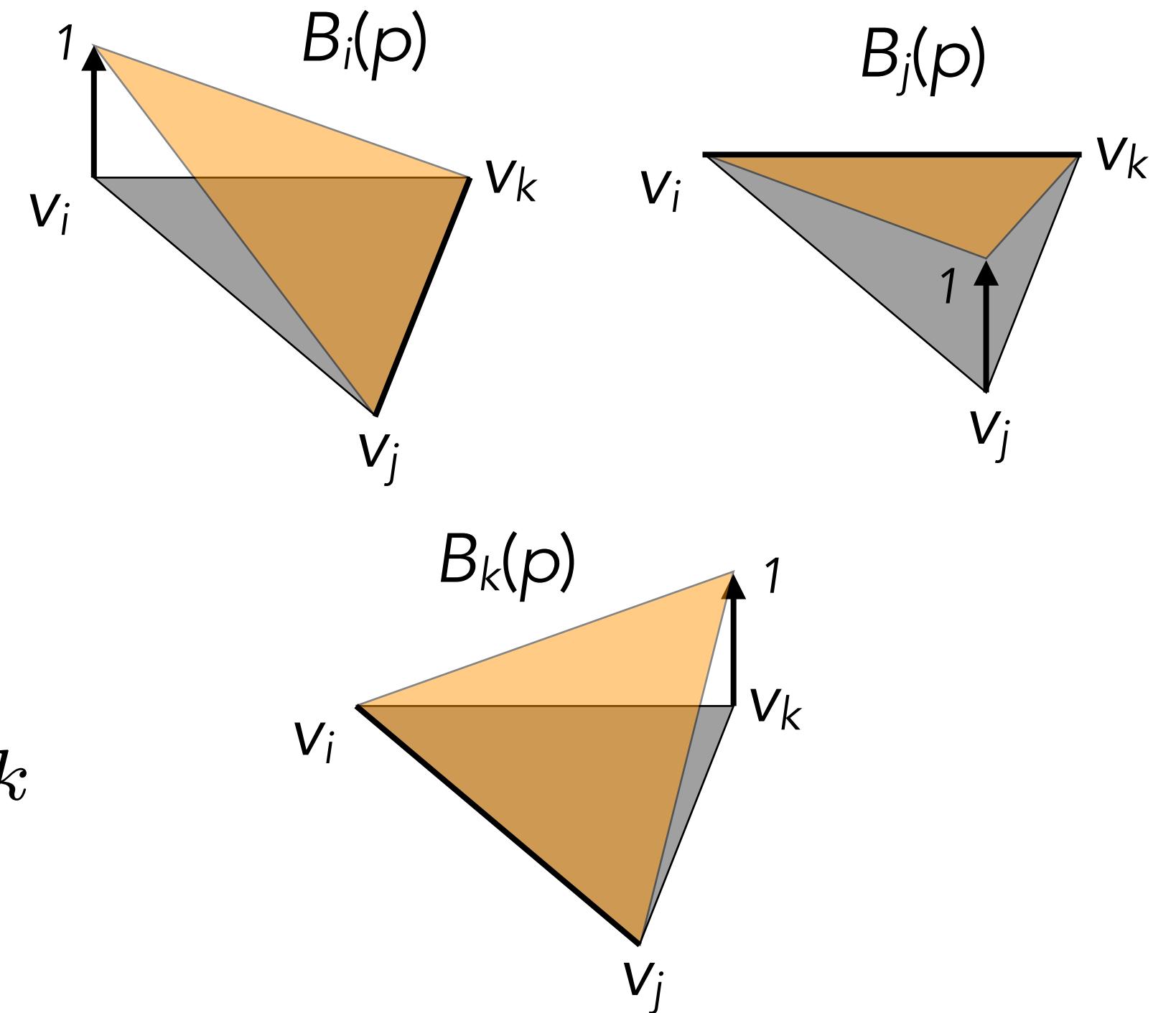
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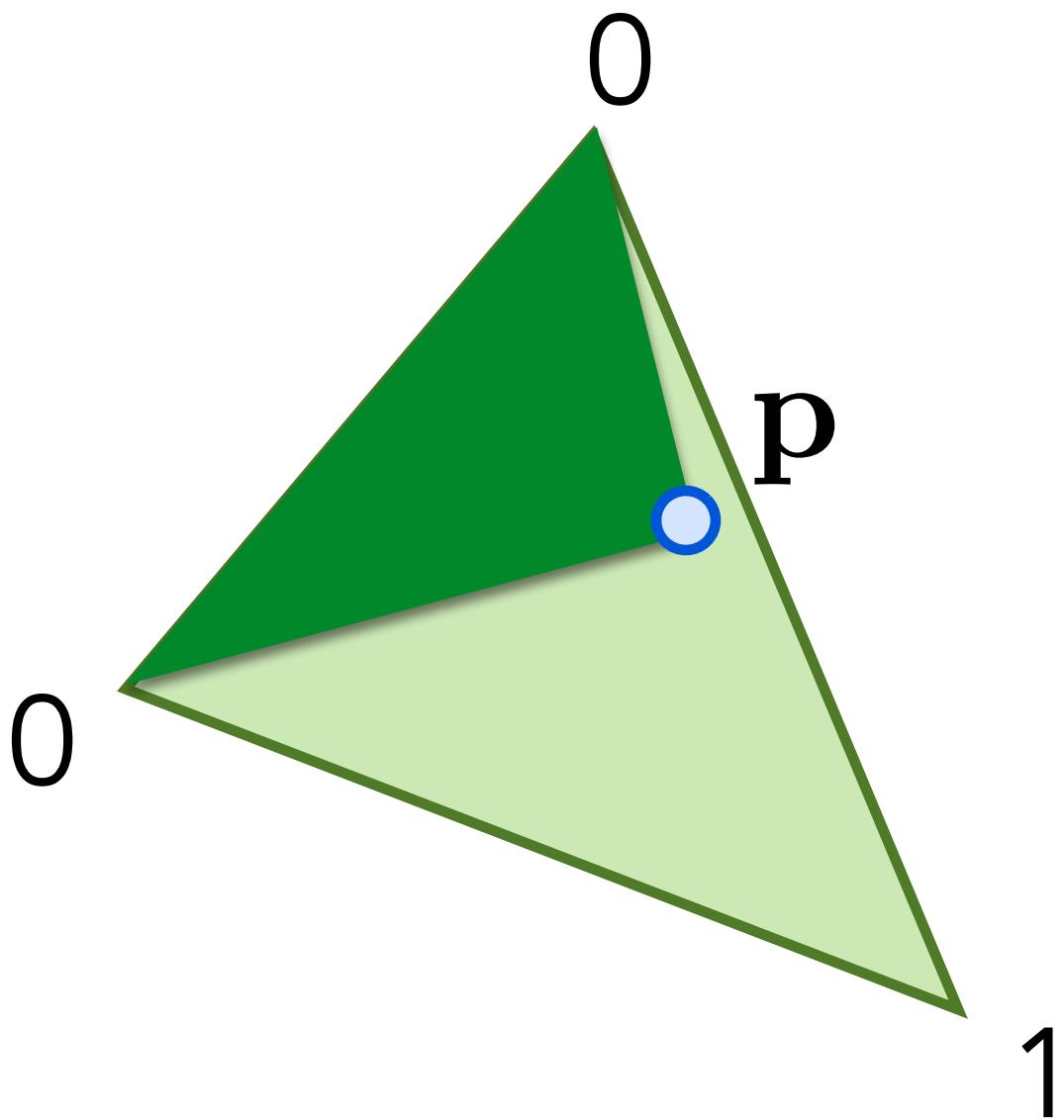
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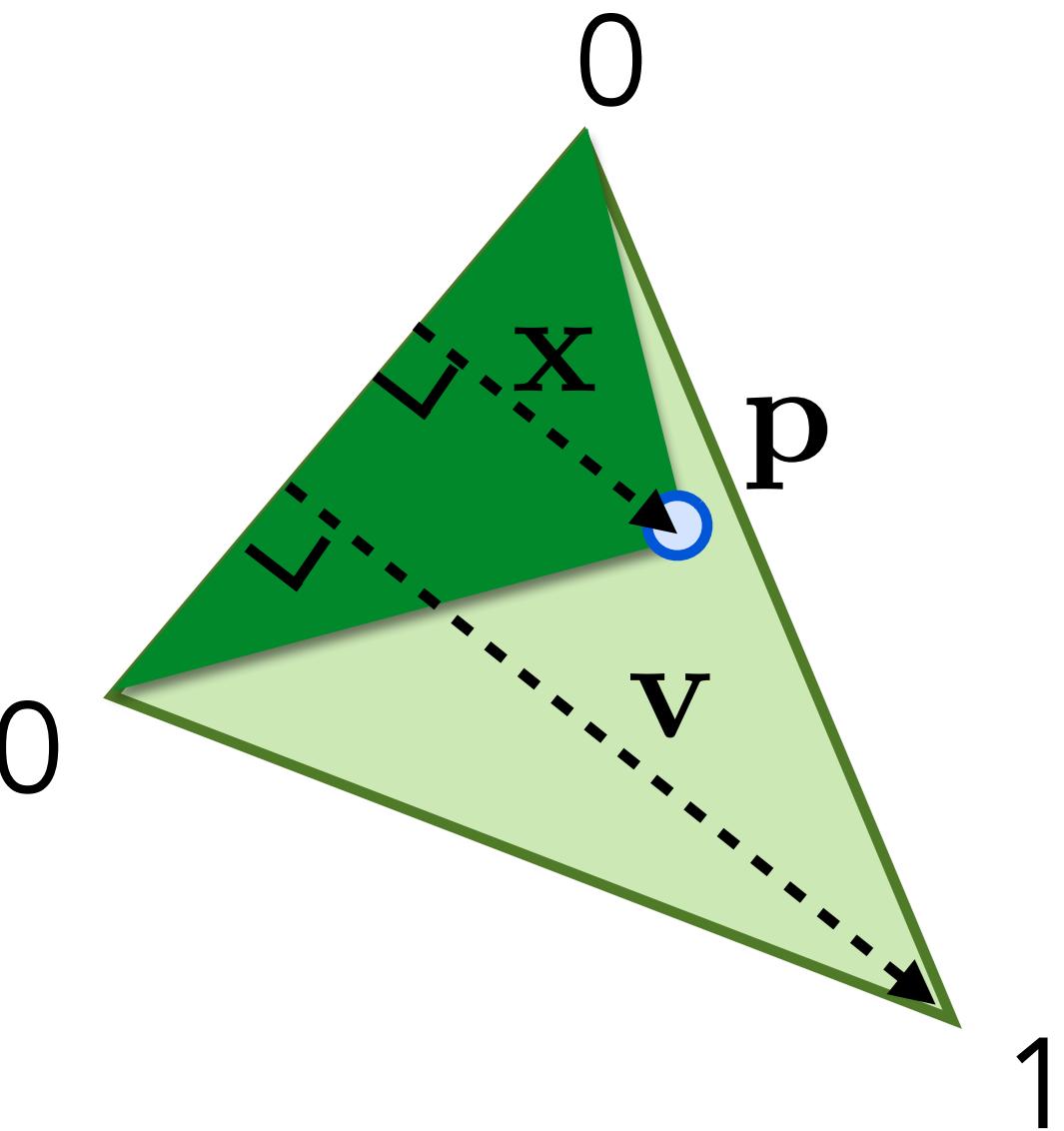


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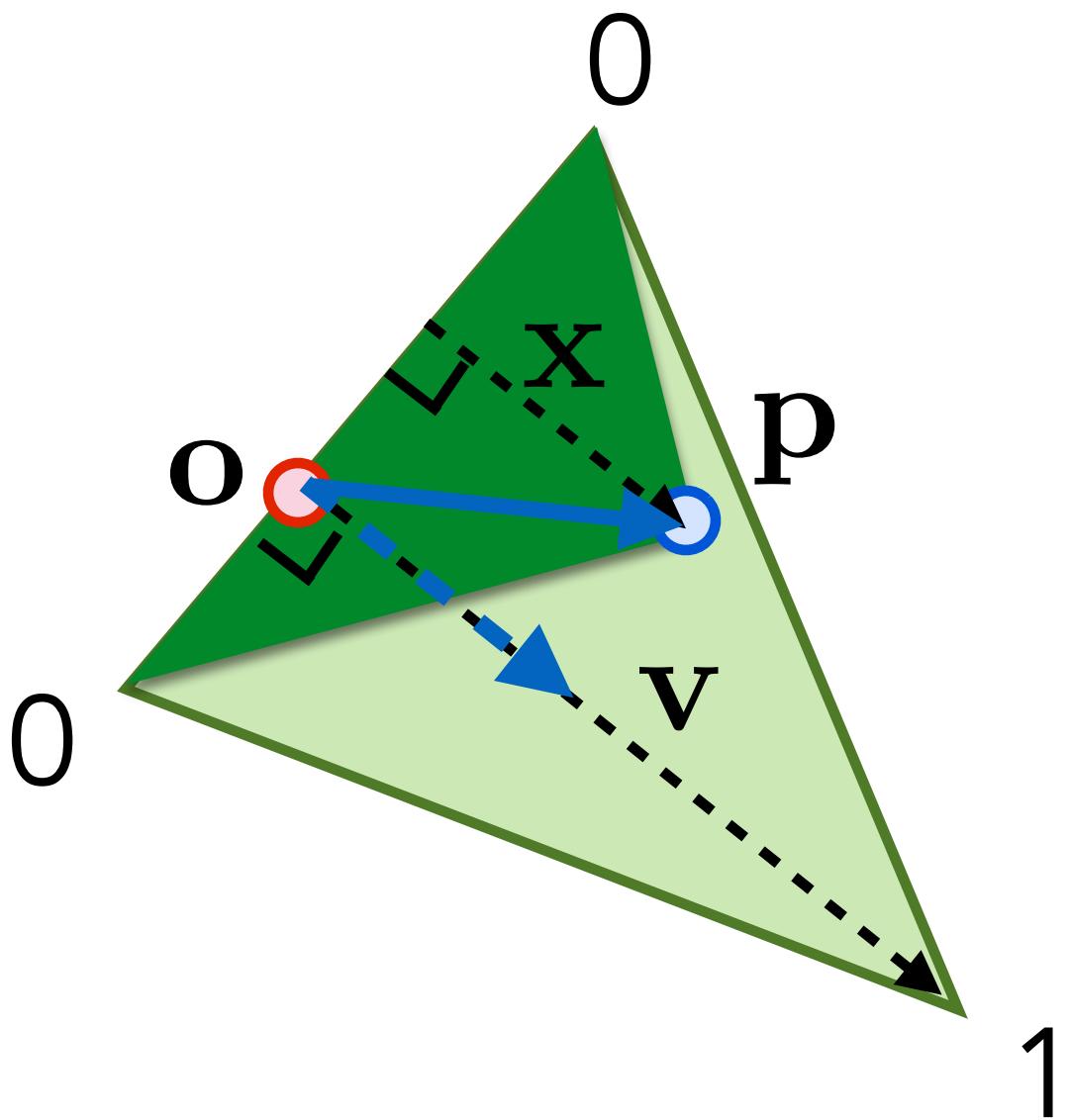
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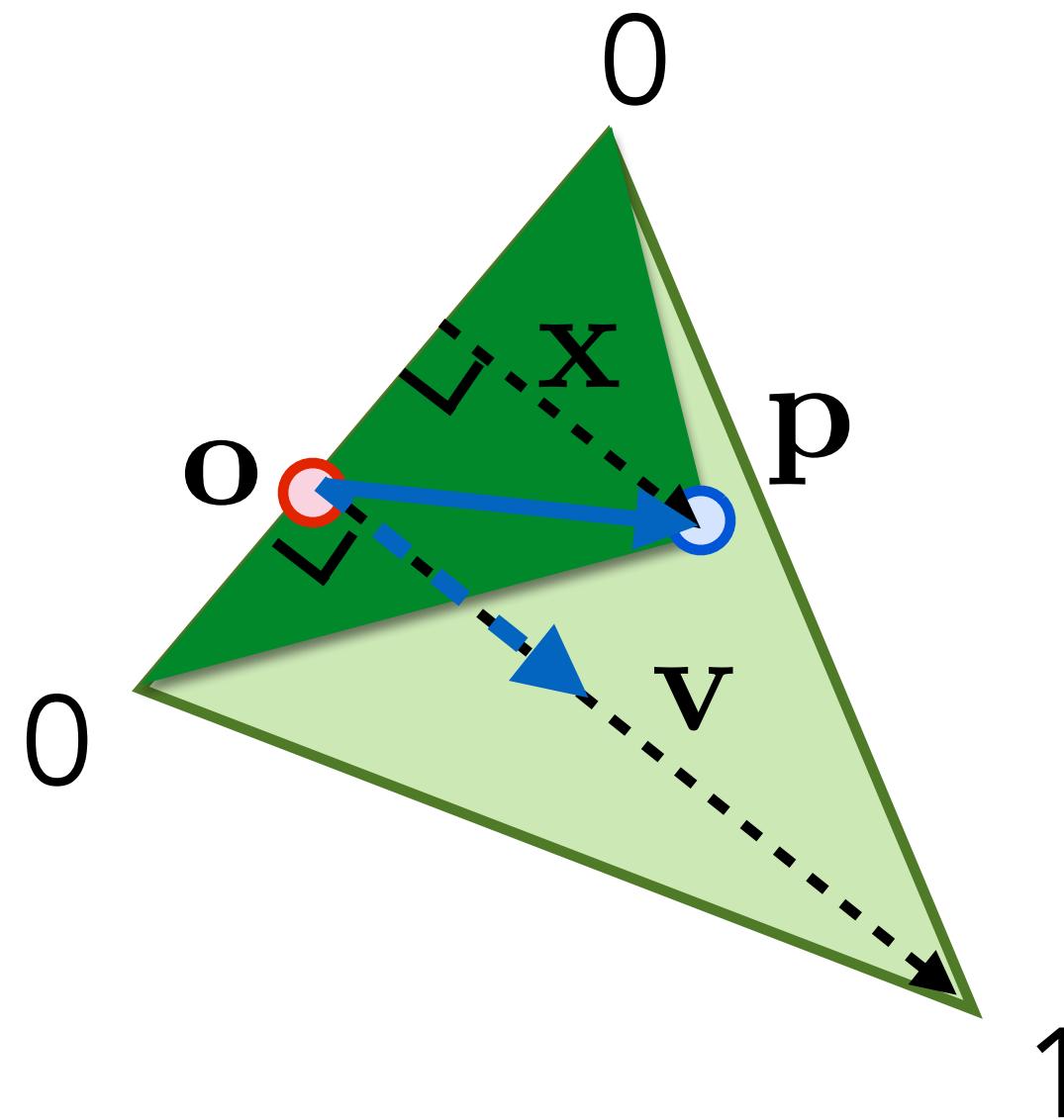
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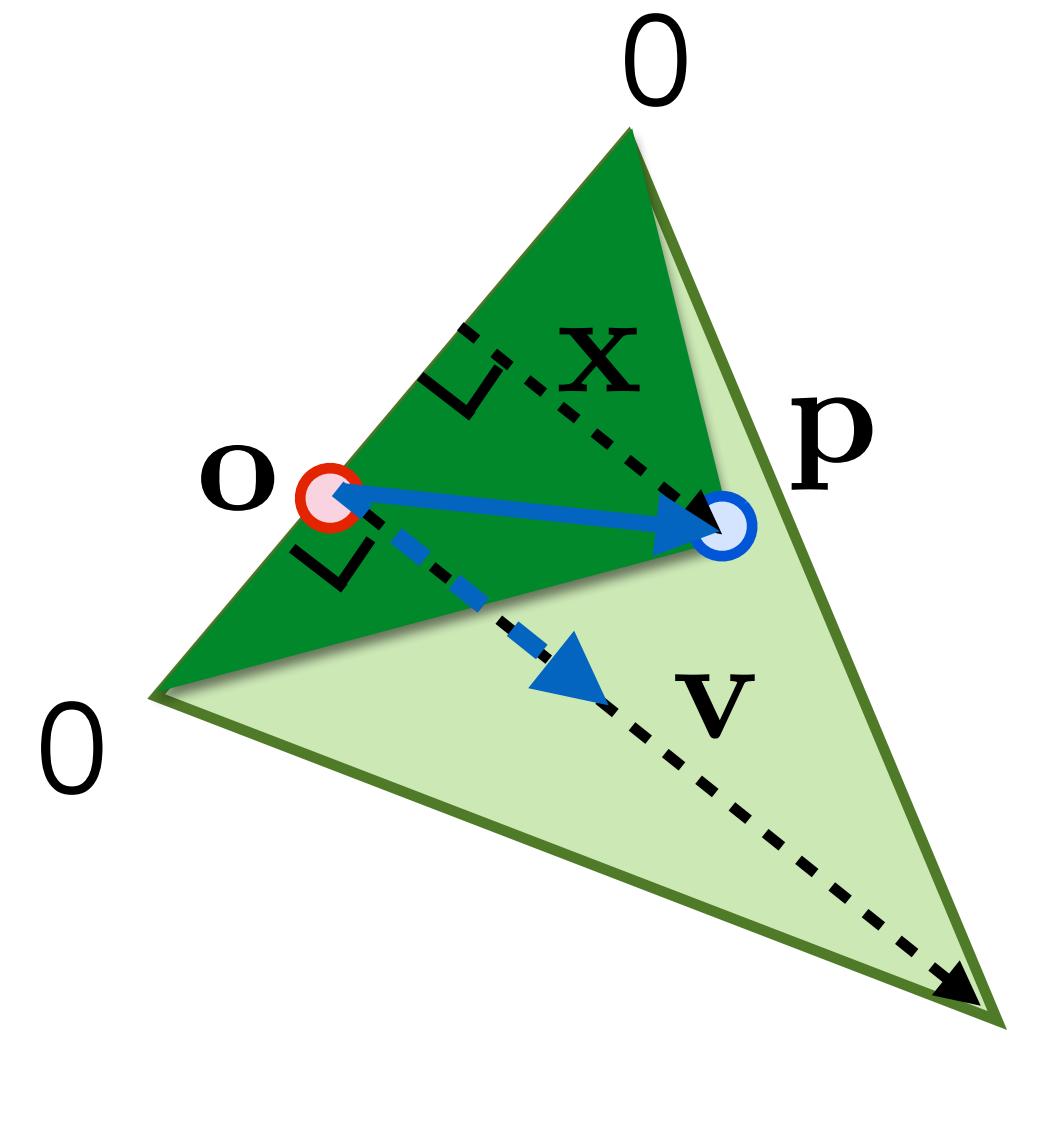
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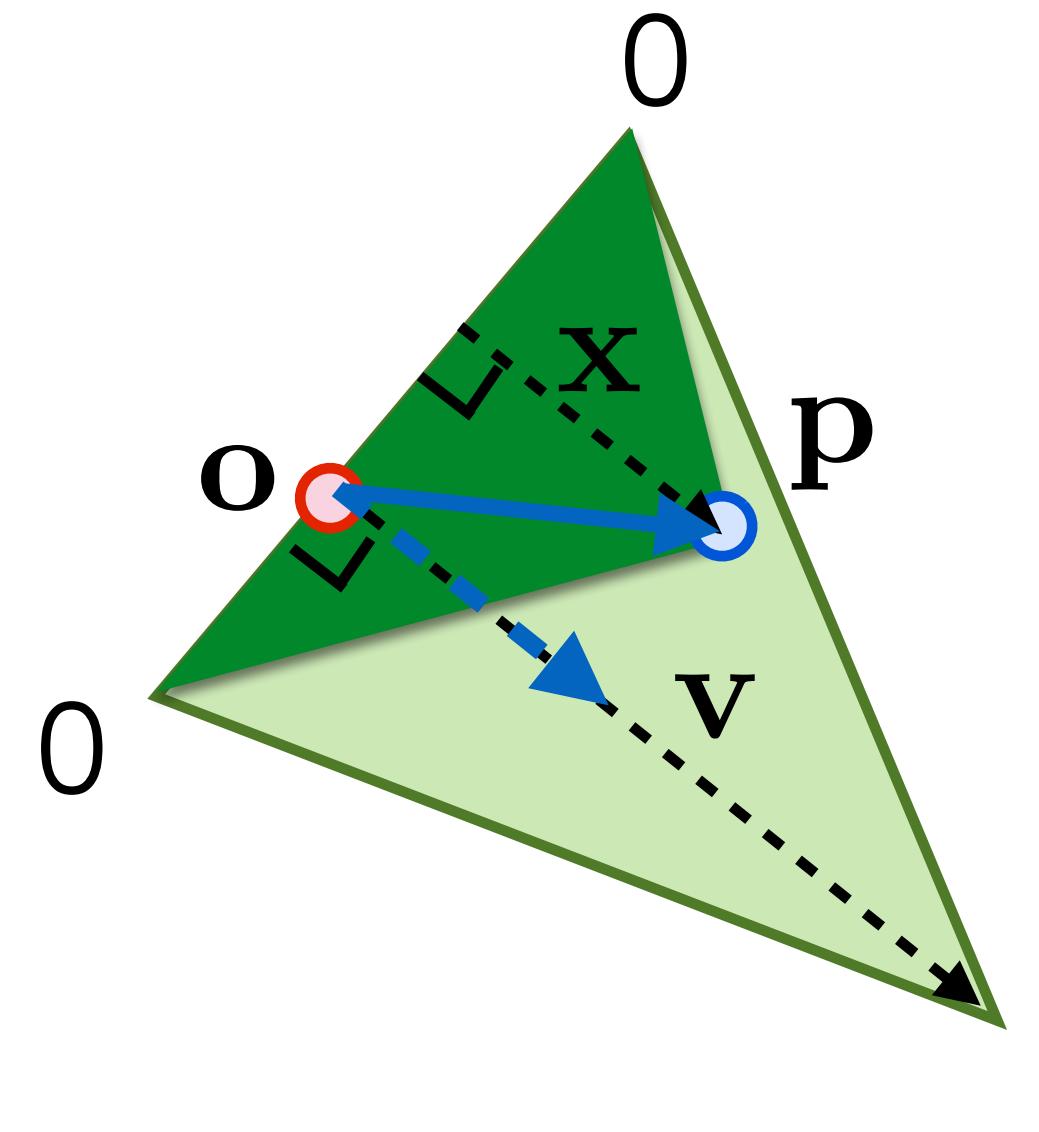
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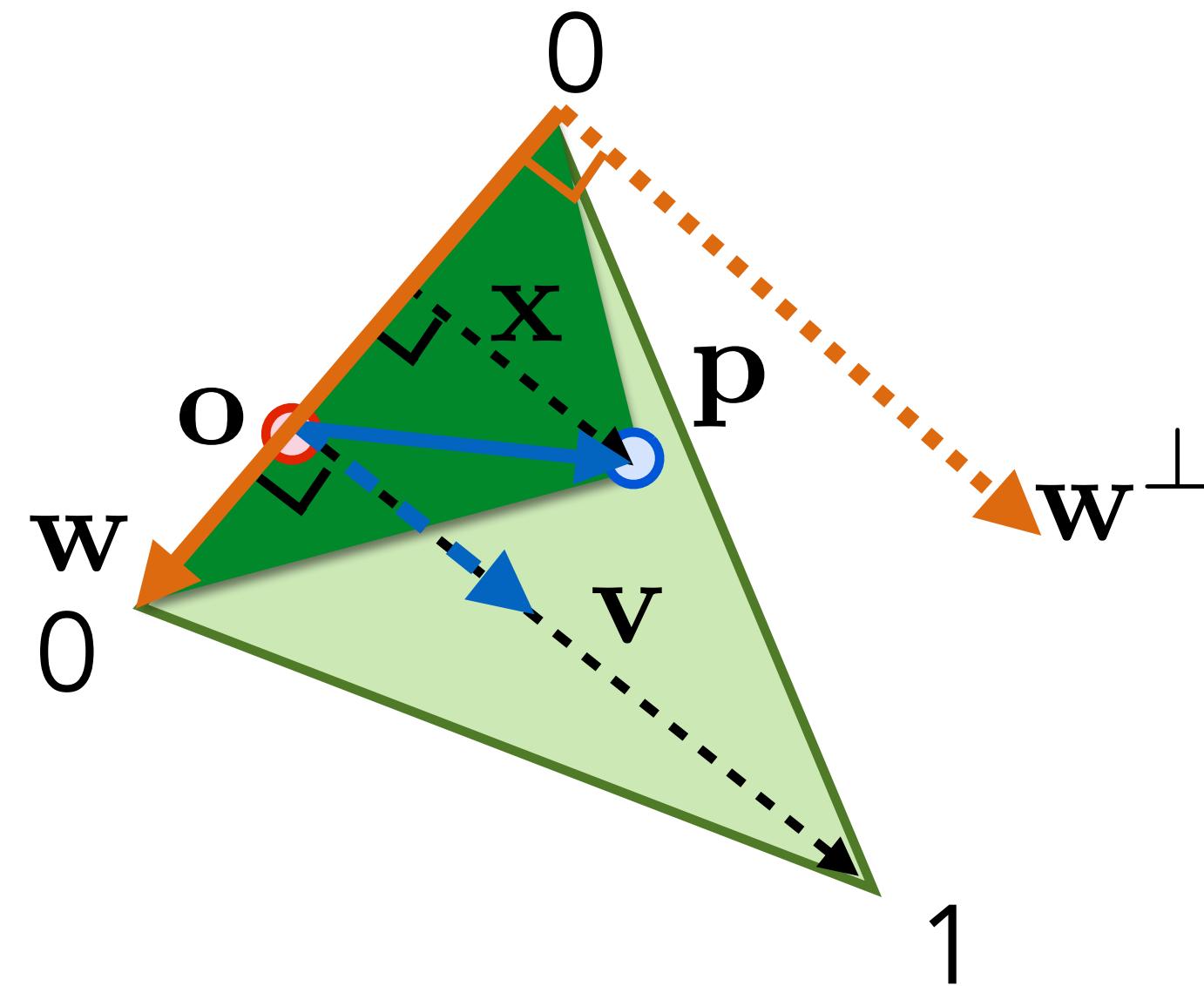
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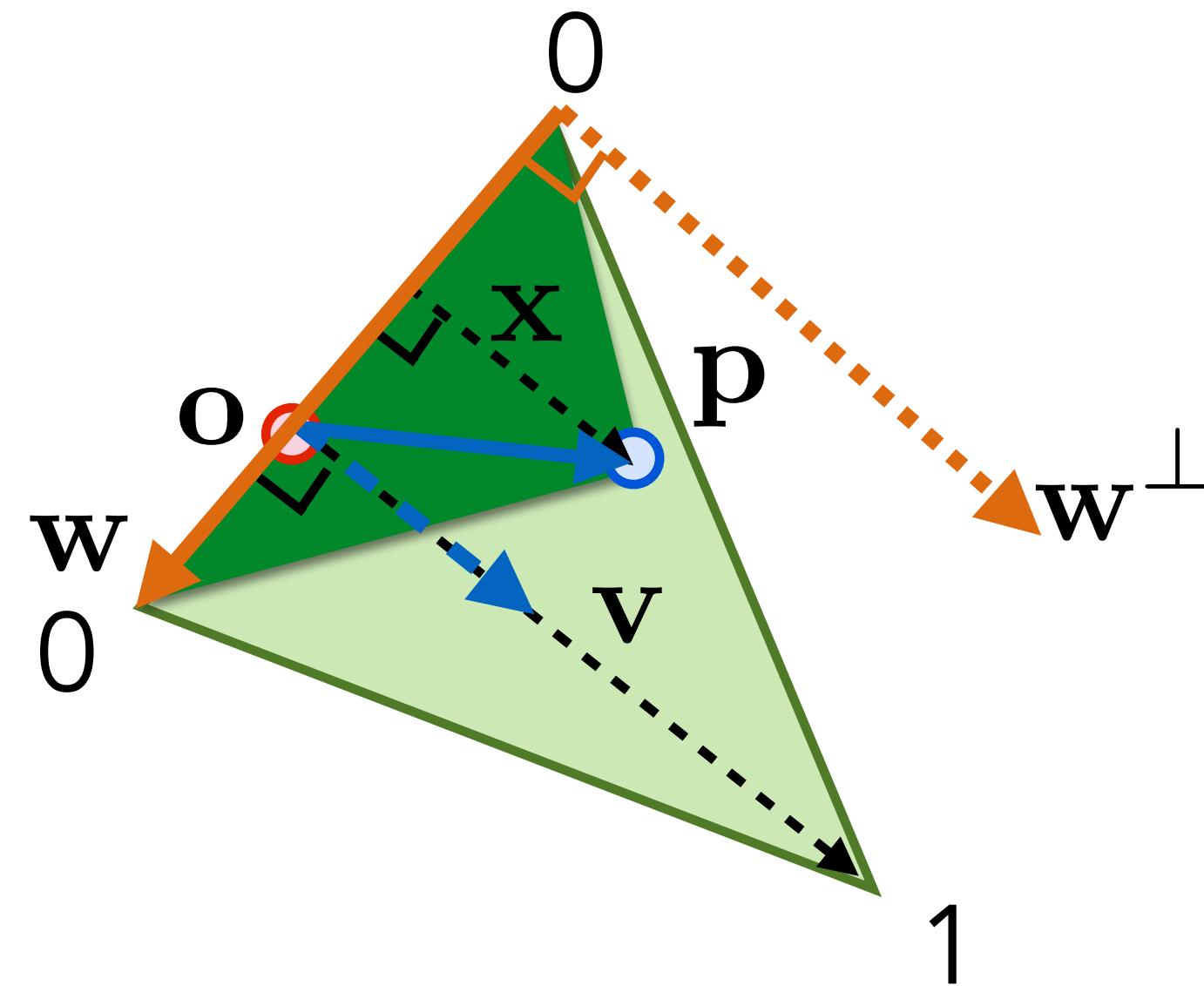


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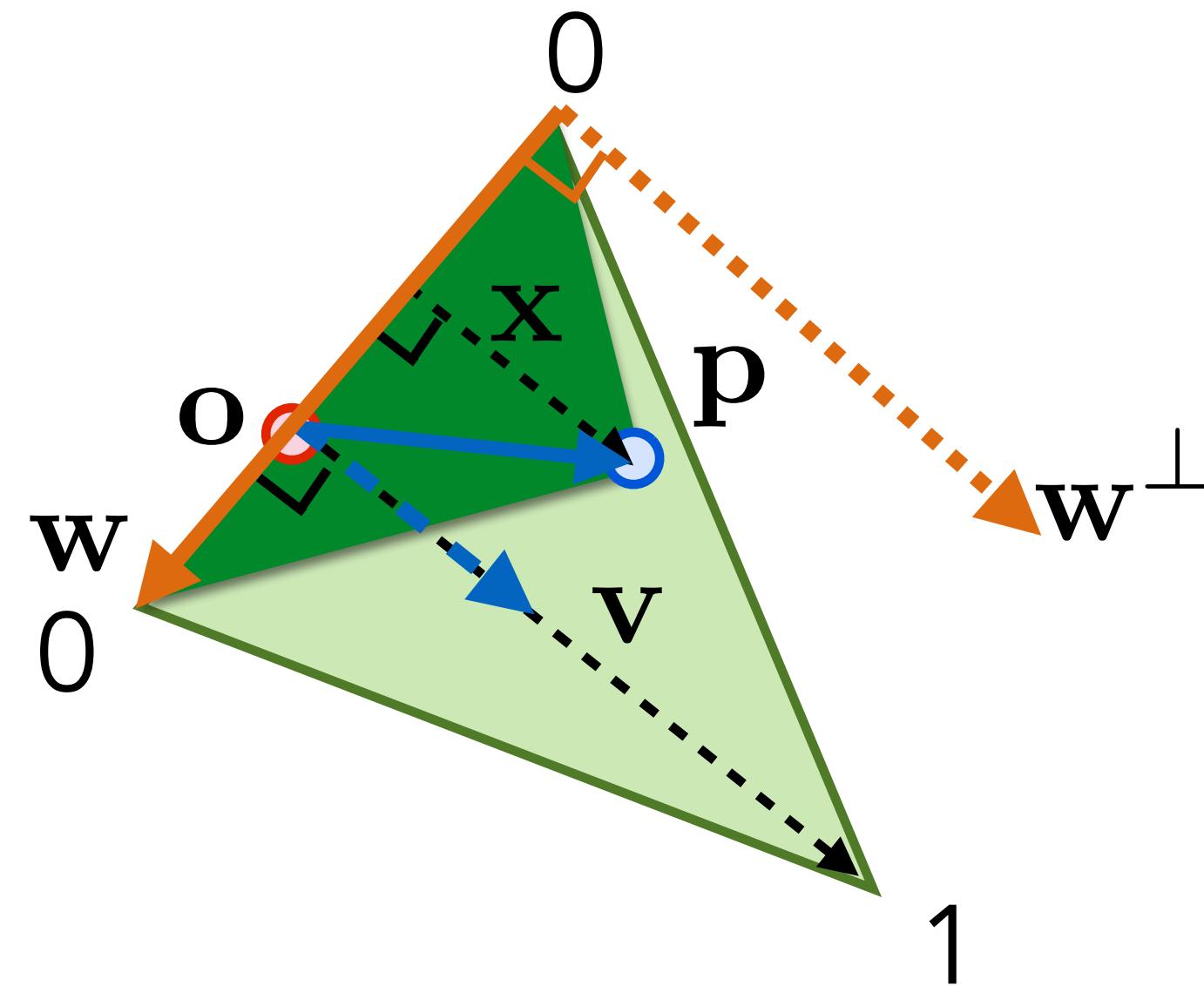


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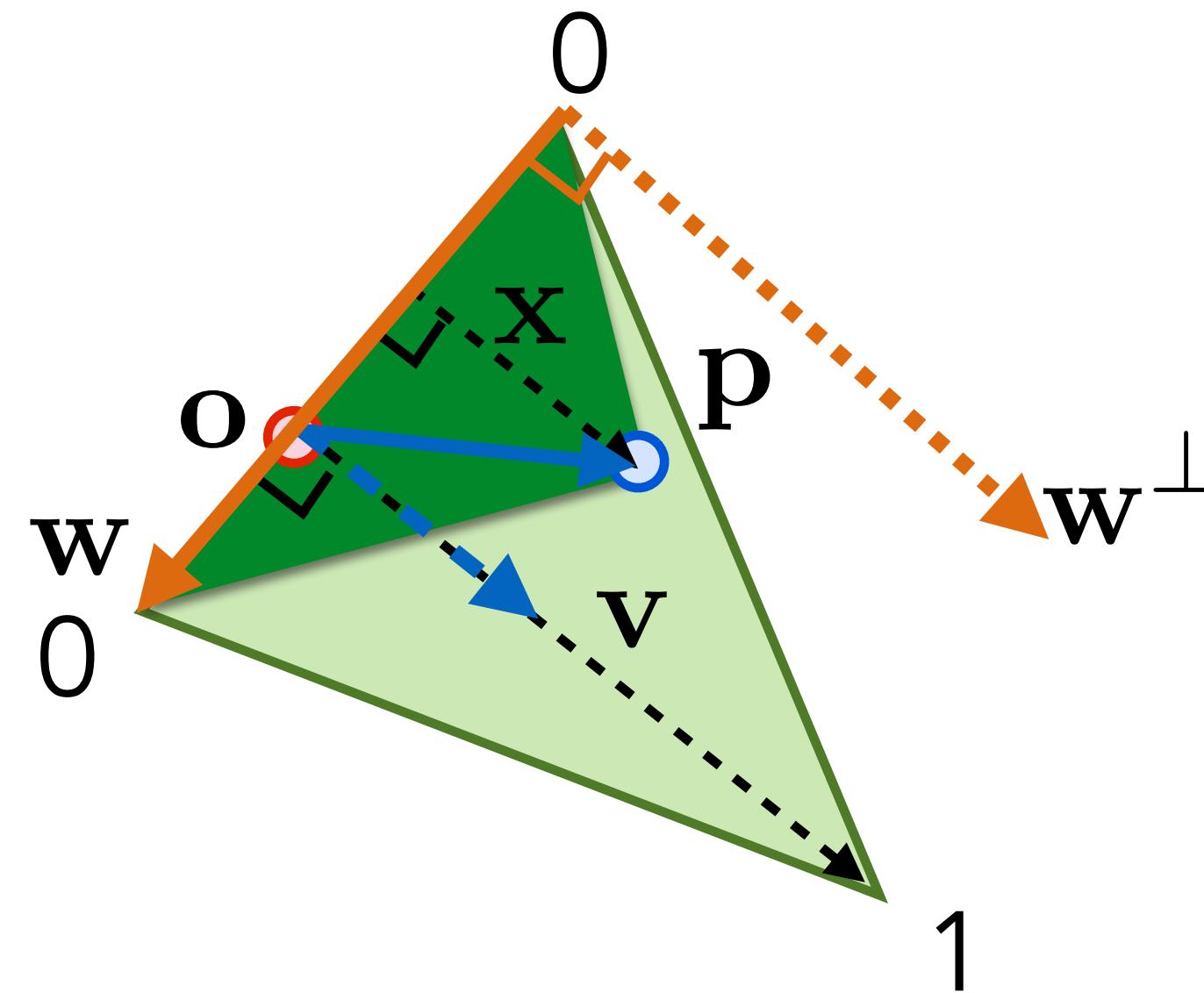
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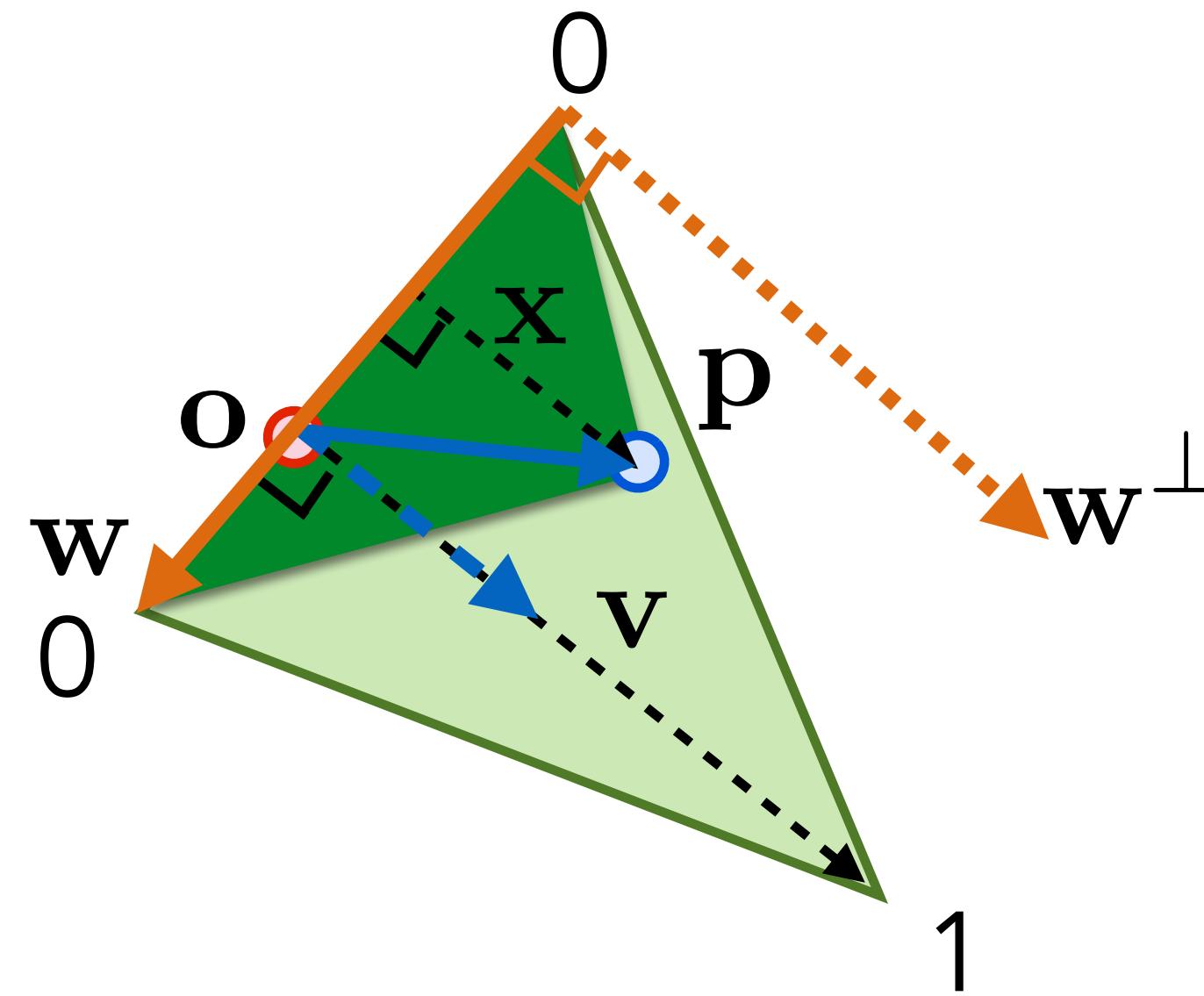
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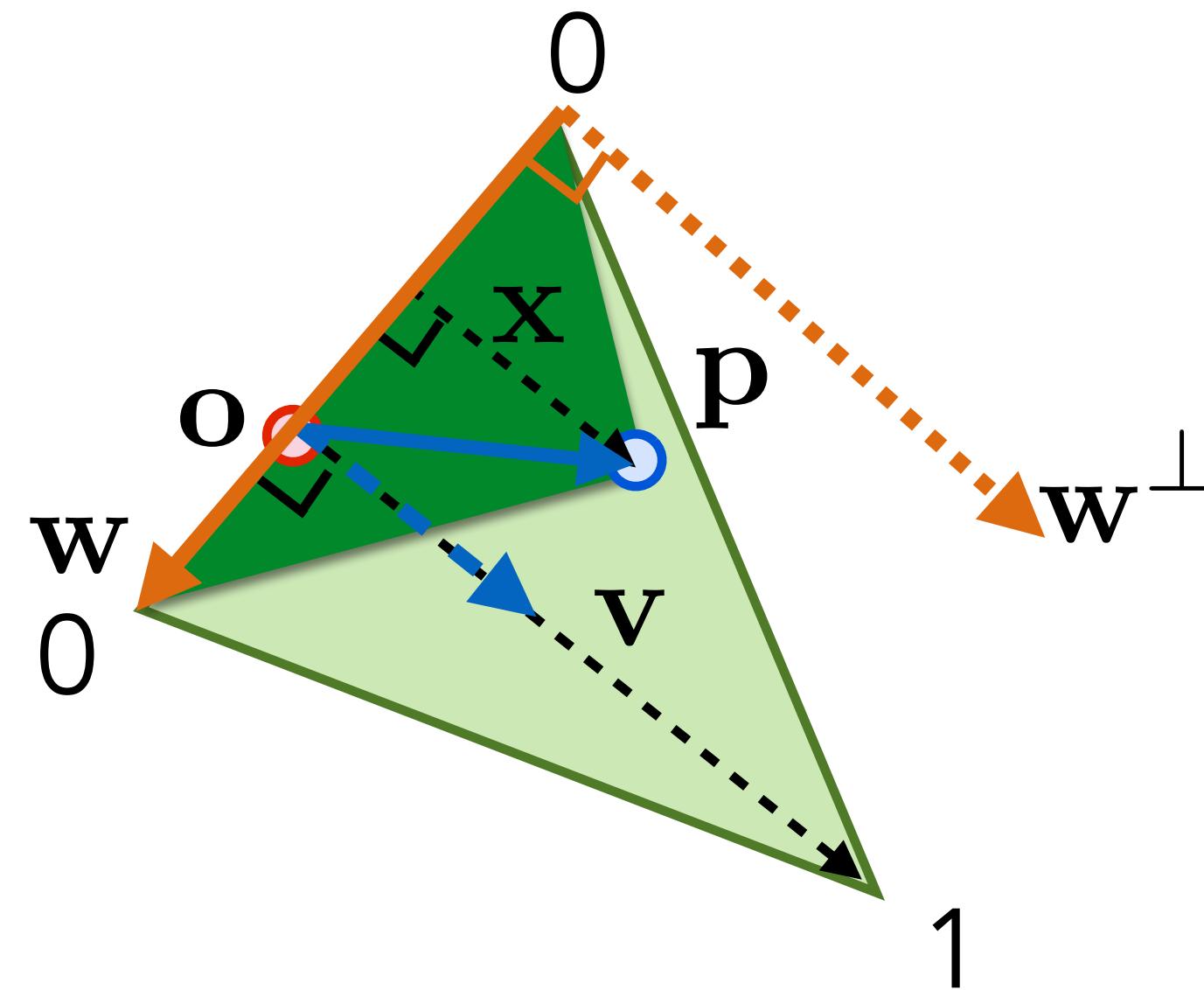
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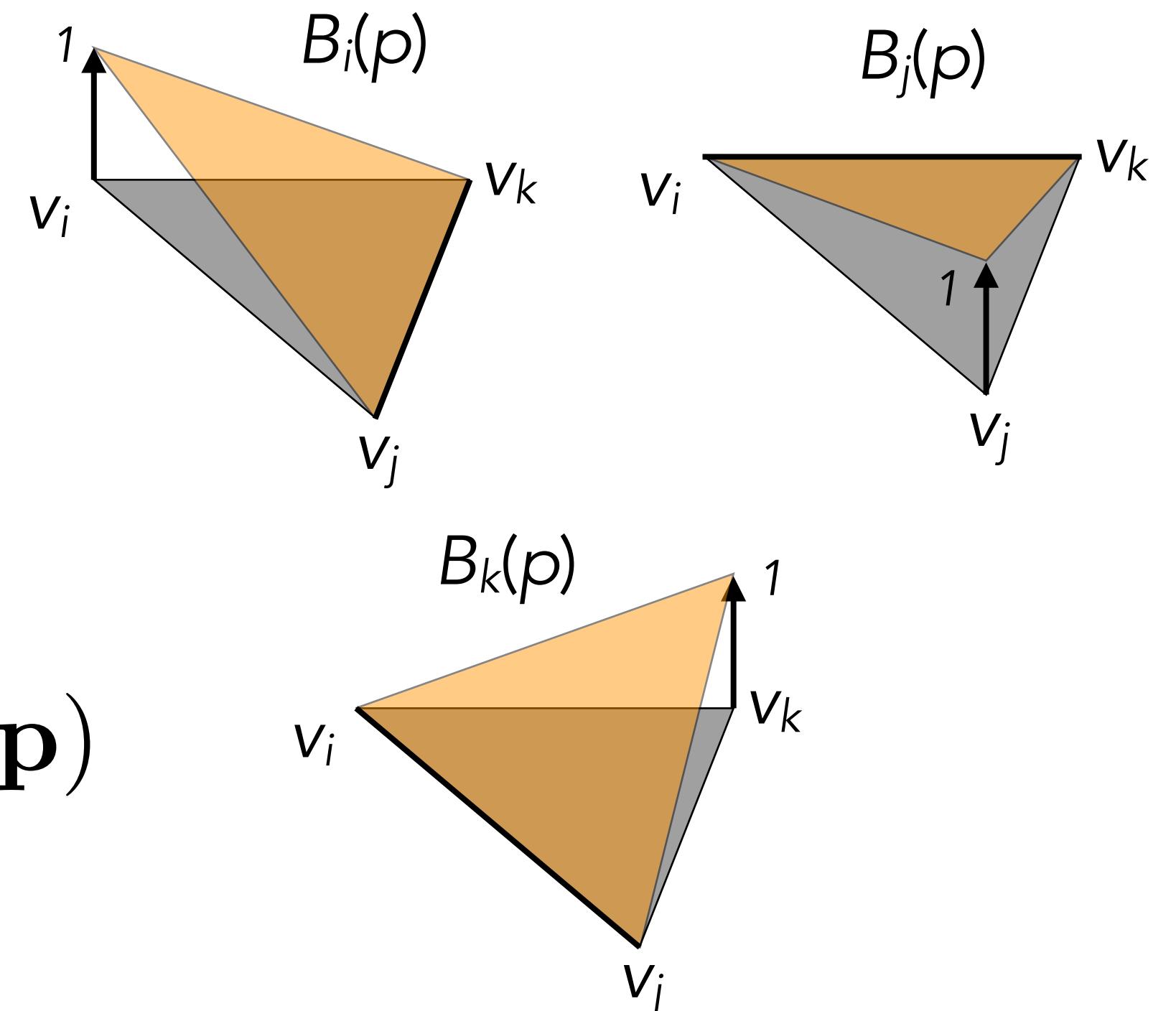
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$$f(\mathbf{p}) = B_i(\mathbf{p})f_i + B_j(\mathbf{p})f_j + B_k(\mathbf{p})f_k$$

Gradients

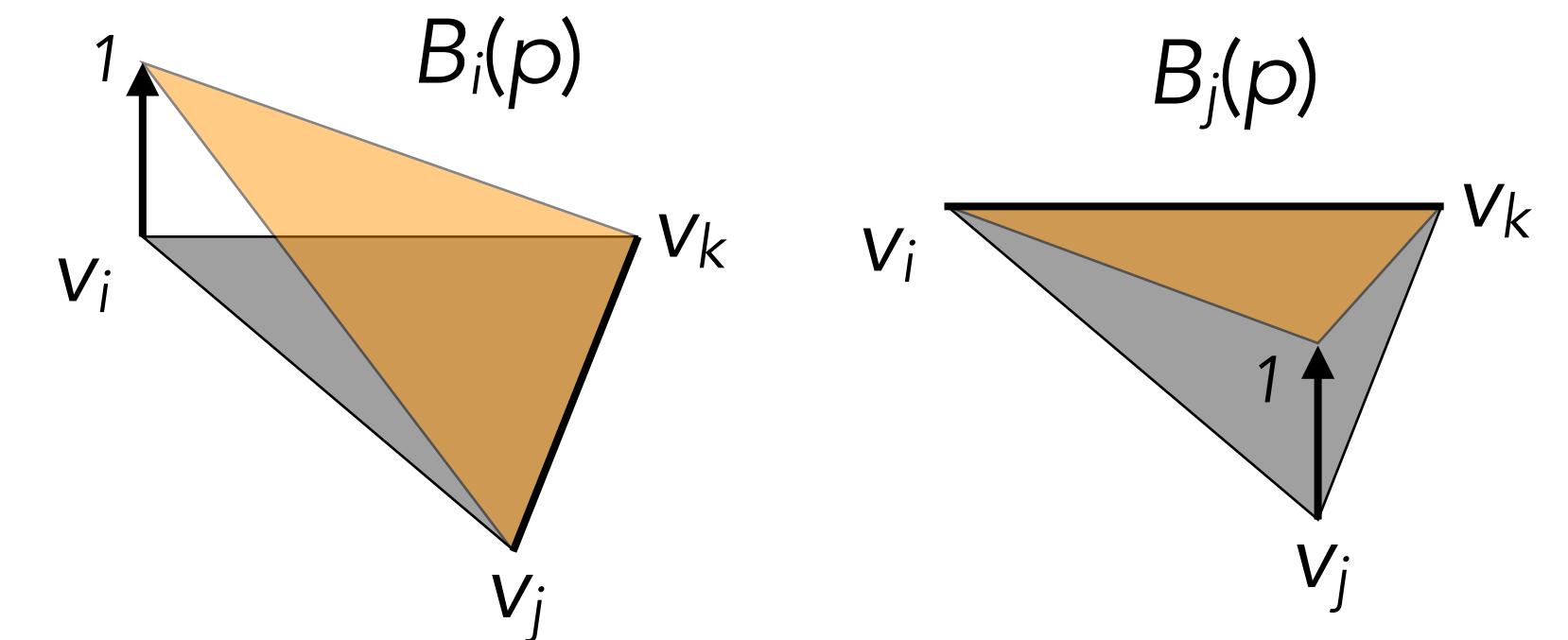
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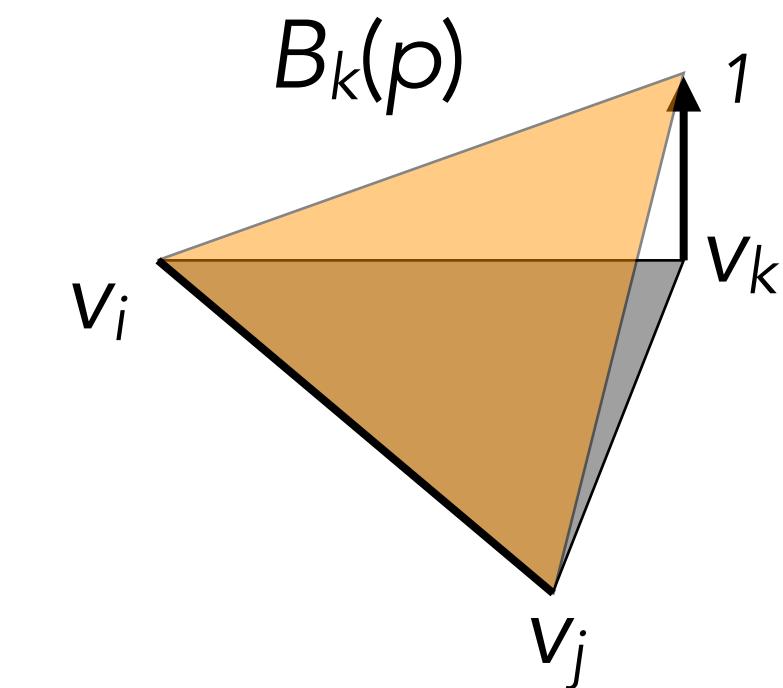
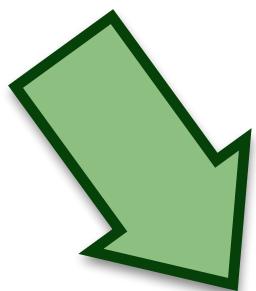
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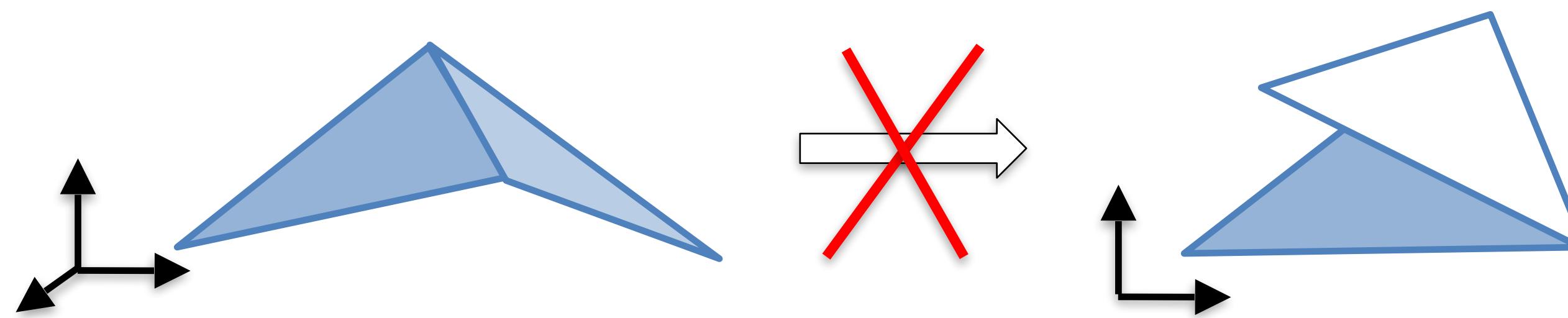
# Properties

# Desiderata?

- What are “good” parameterizations?
- How do we define “good”?

# Bijection

- Locally bijective (1-1 and onto): No triangles fold over.



- Globally bijective:  
locally bijective +  
no “distant” areas  
overlap

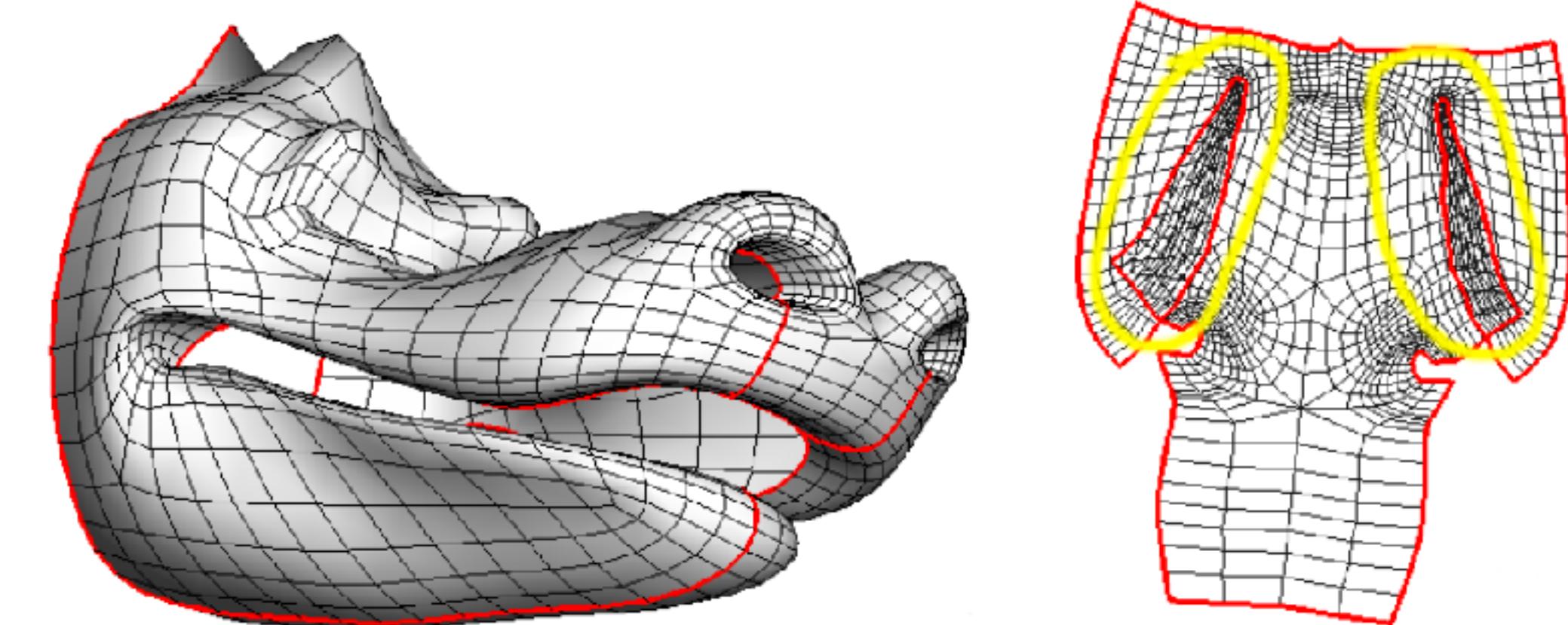
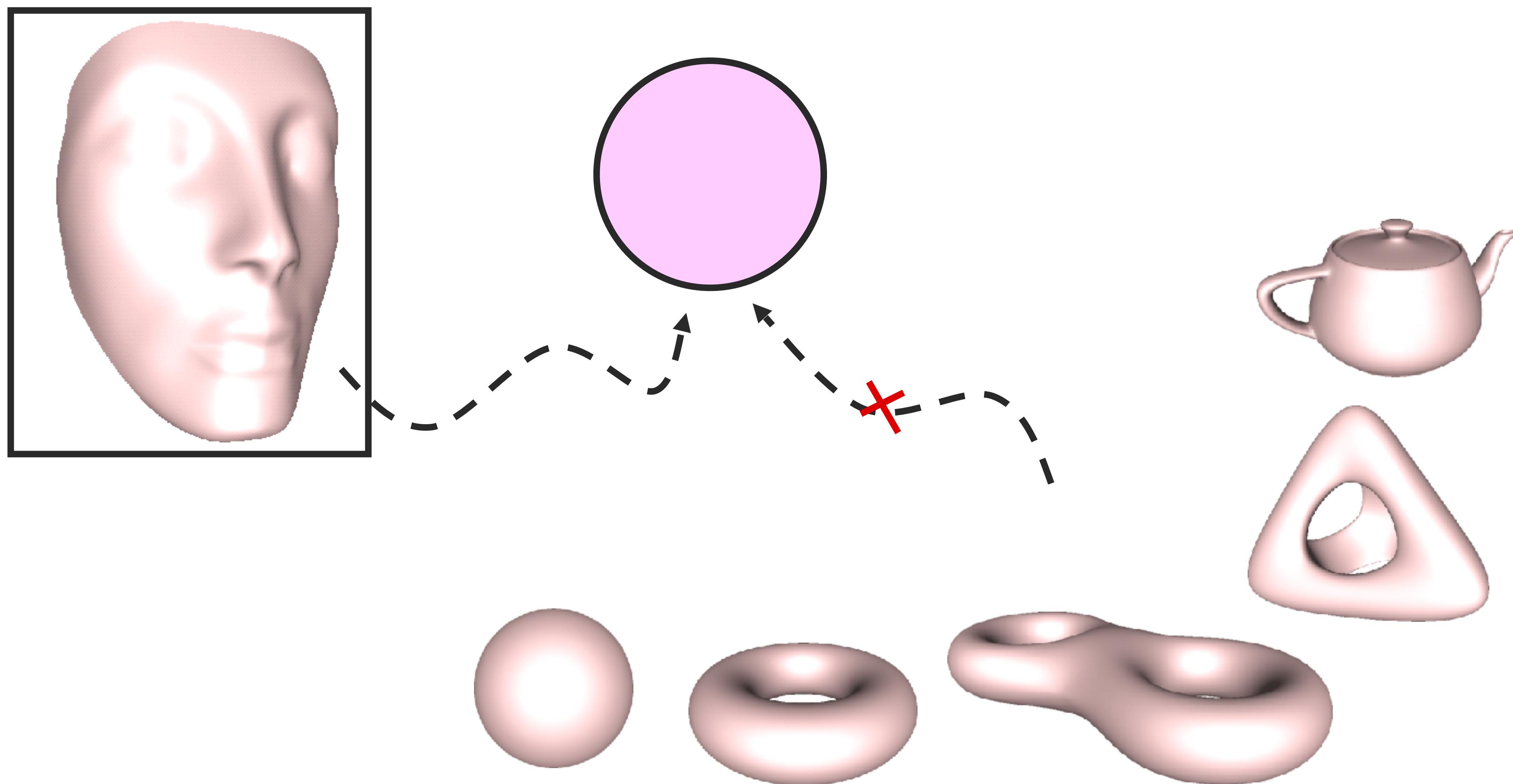
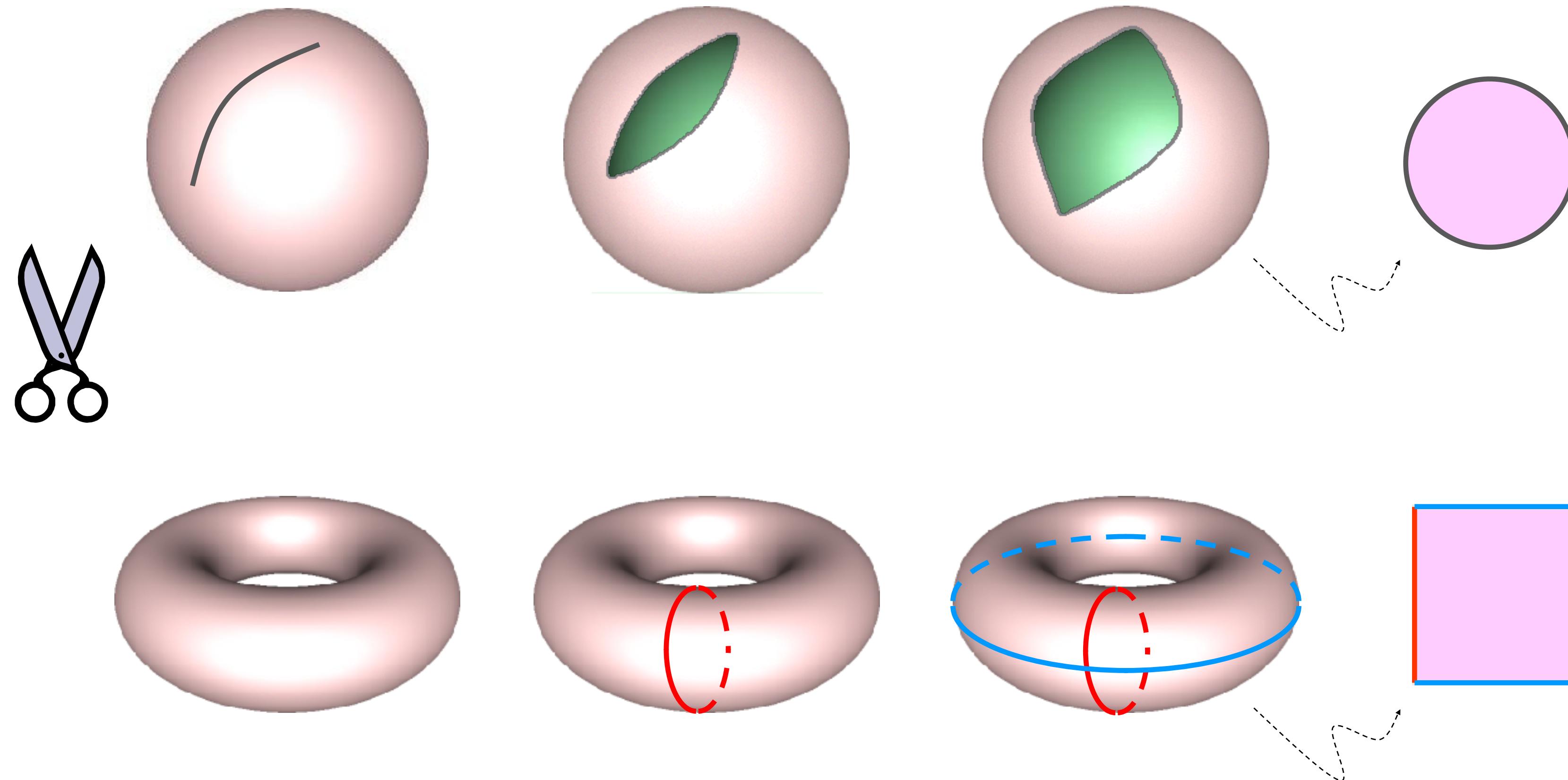


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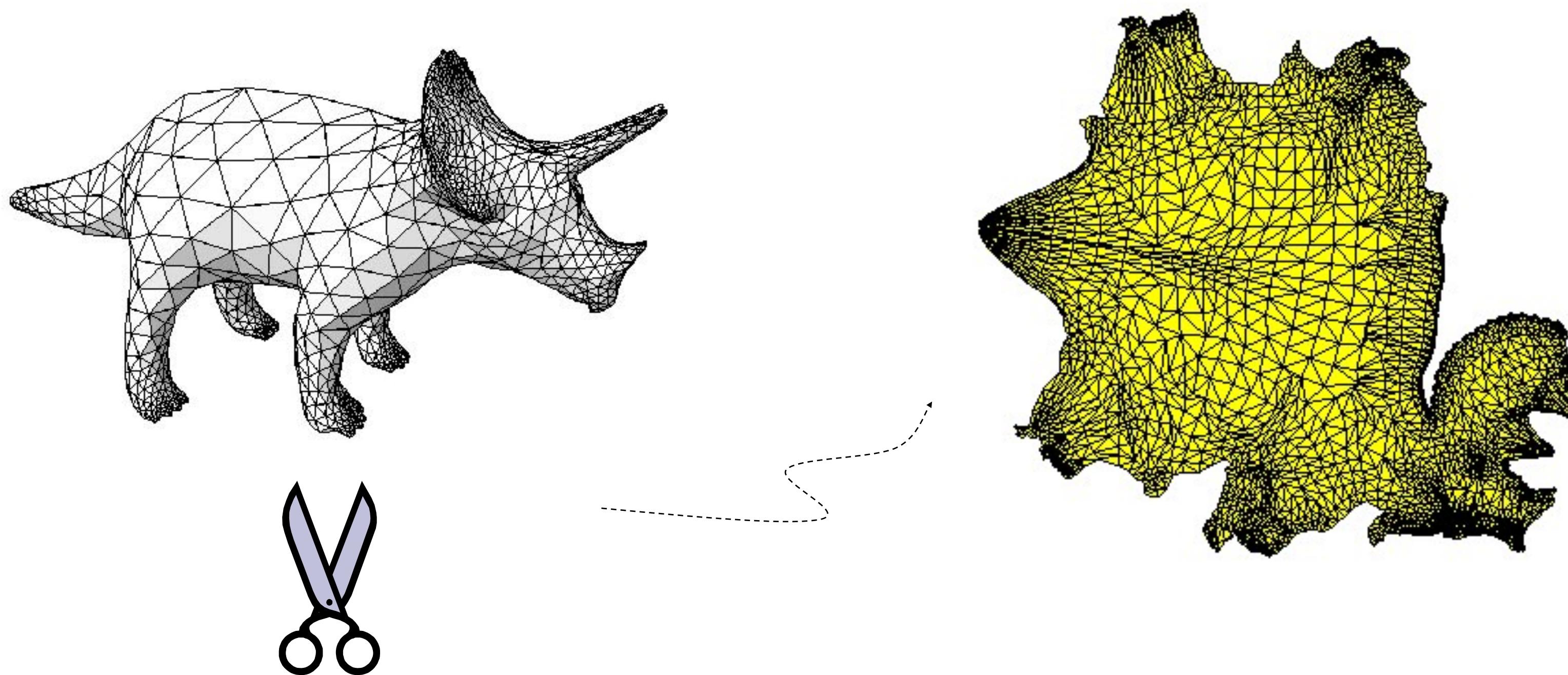
# Bijectivity: Non-Disk Domains



# Topological Cutting



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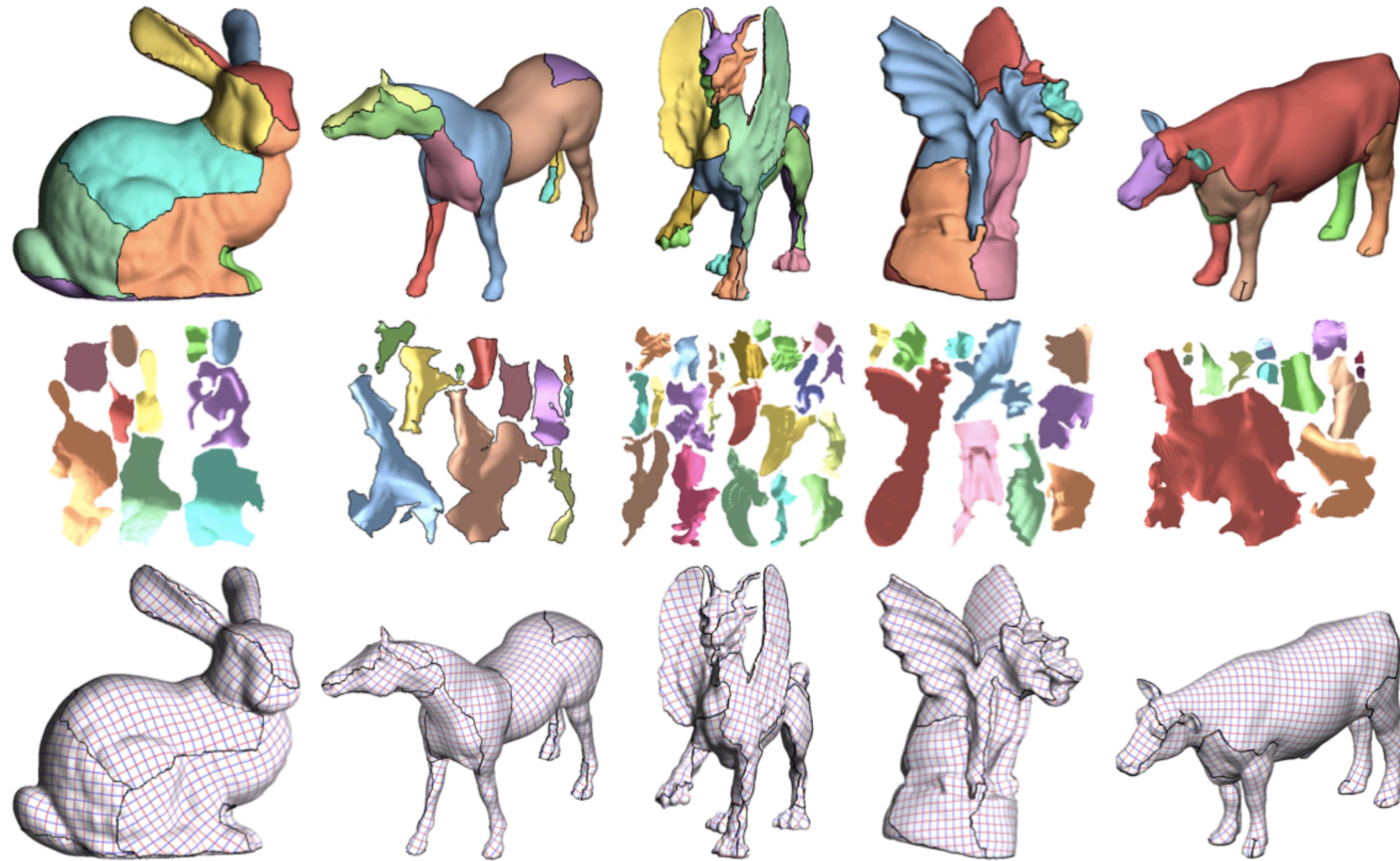


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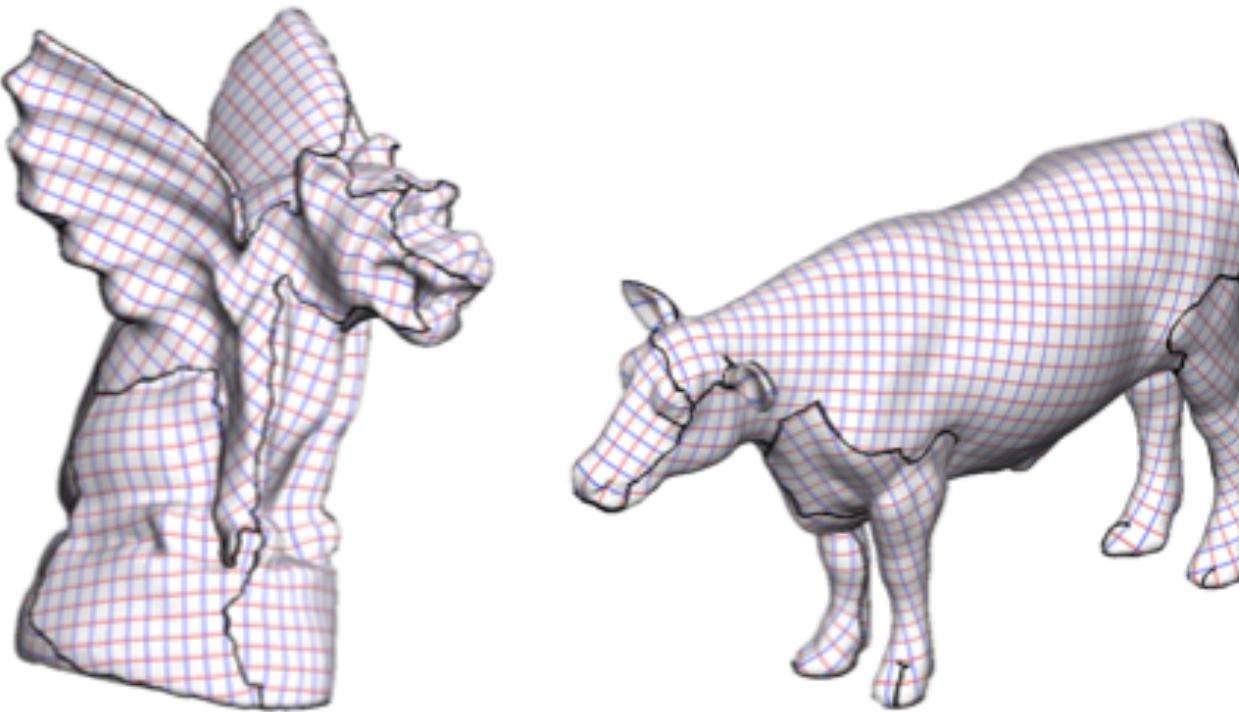
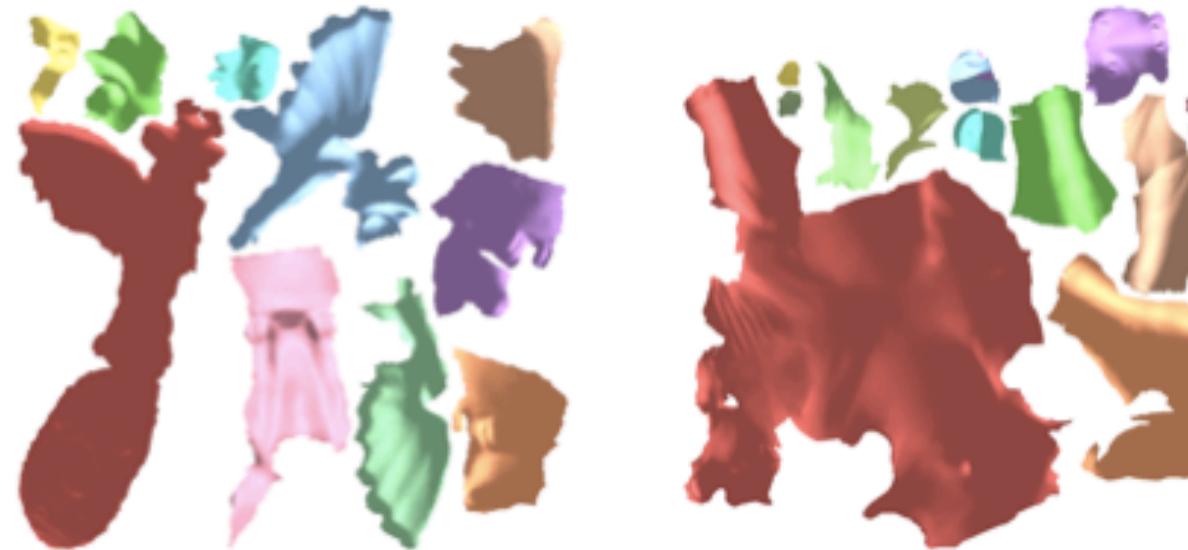
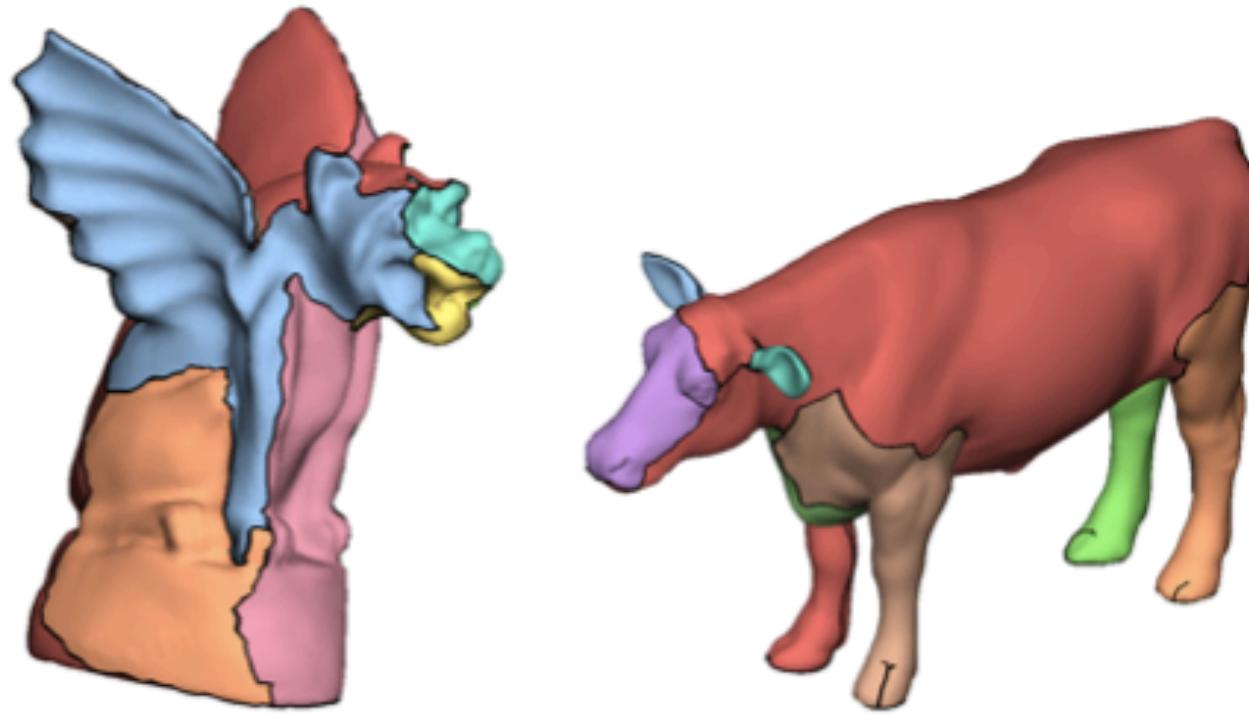
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# Segmentation



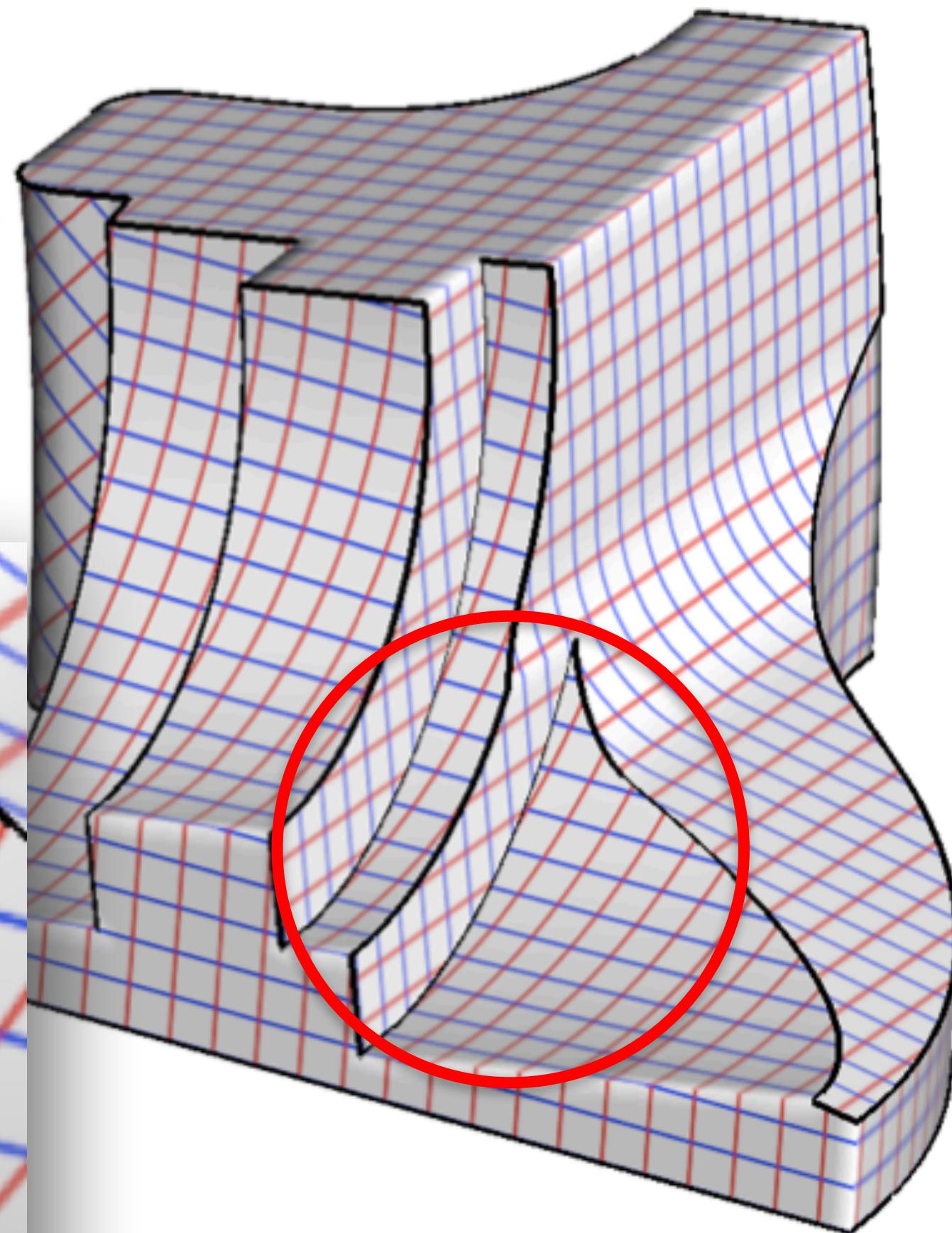
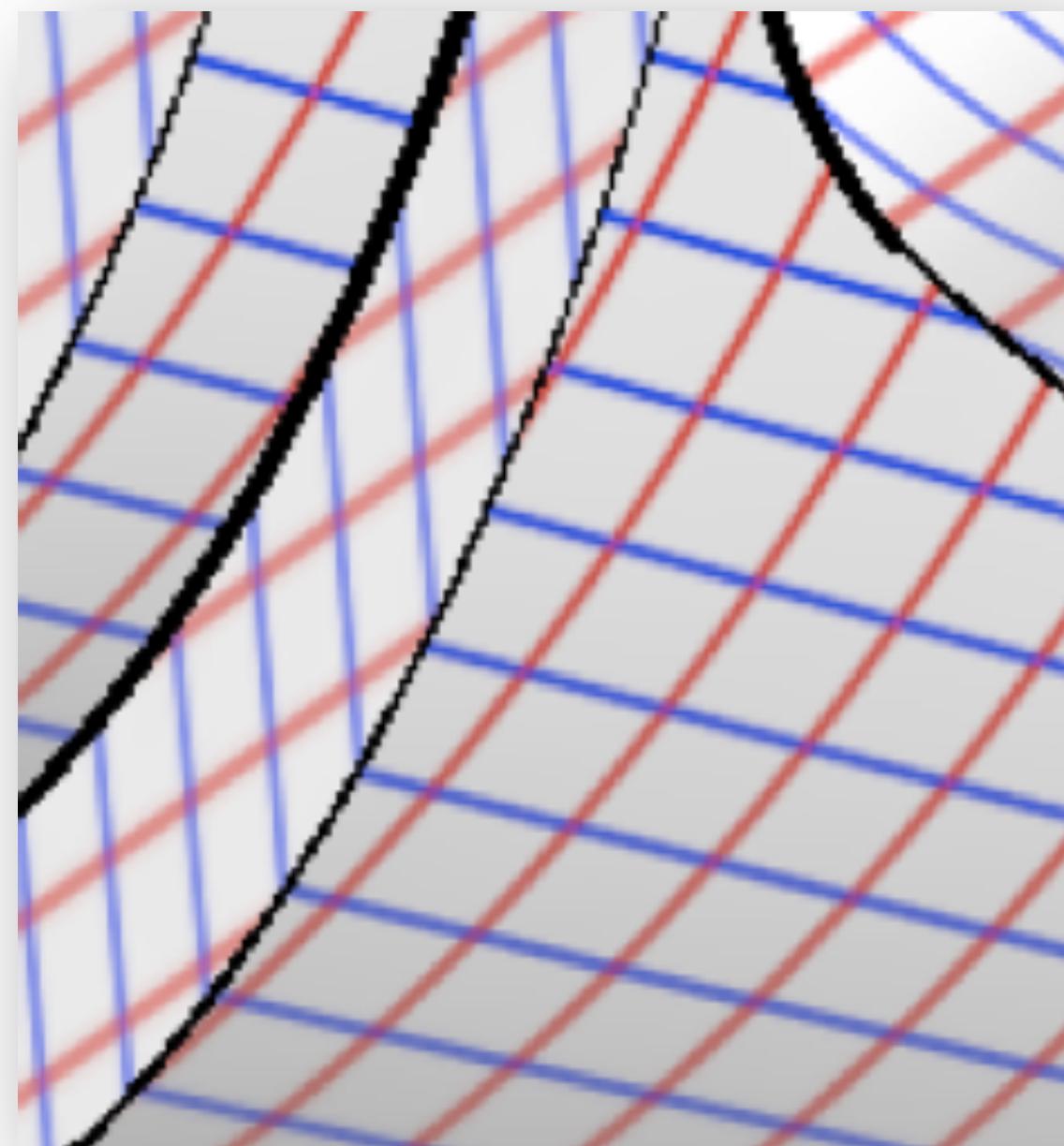
# Segmentation

- D-Charts: Quasi-Developable Mesh Segmentation,  
D. Julius, V. Kraevoy, A. Sheffer,  
EUROGRAPHICS 2005
- Find patches that align to mesh features and are close to being developable surfaces



# Good Cuts/Segmentations?

- Hide seams
- Small number/length of seams
- In quad meshing, we want the parameterization derivatives to be continuous across seams!

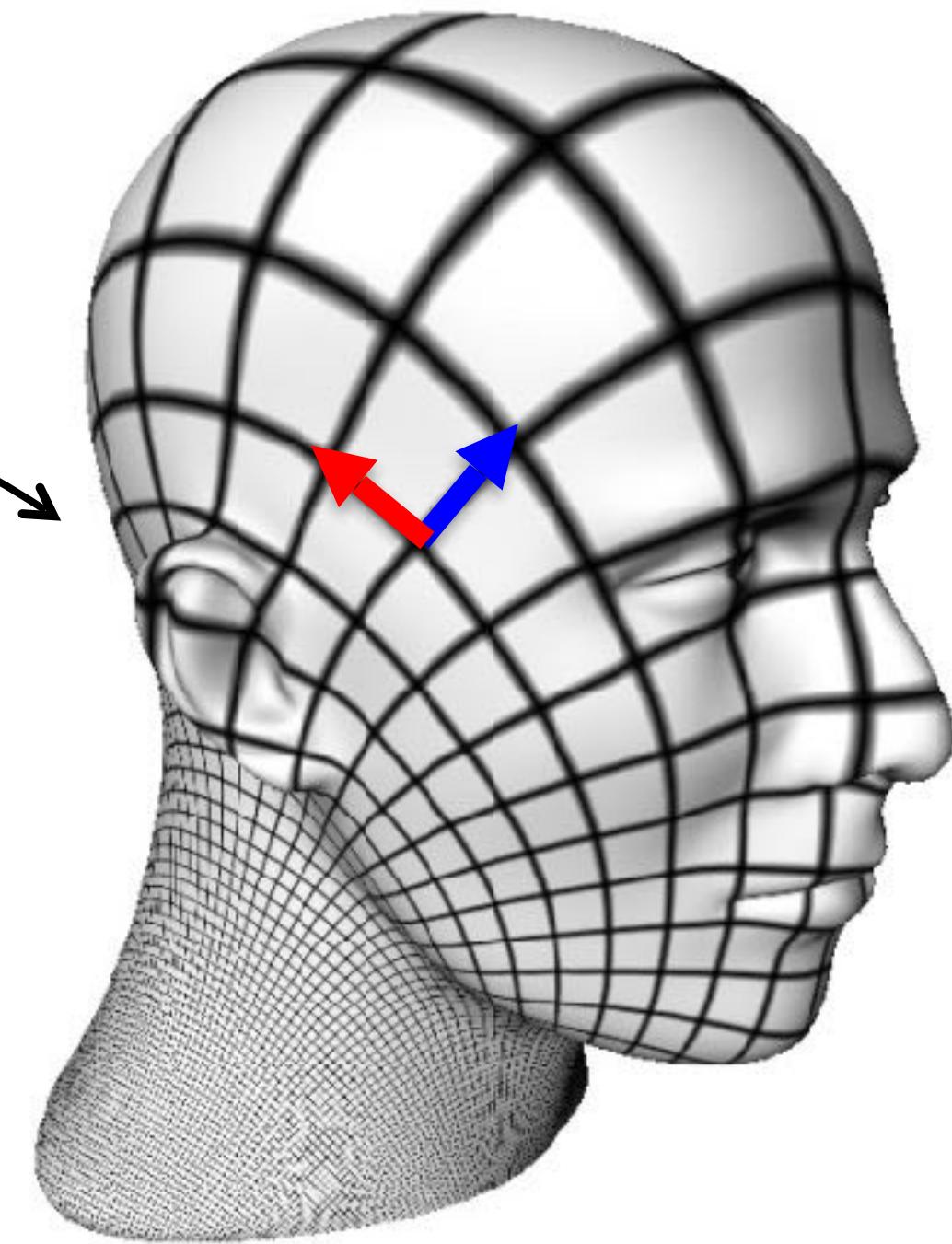
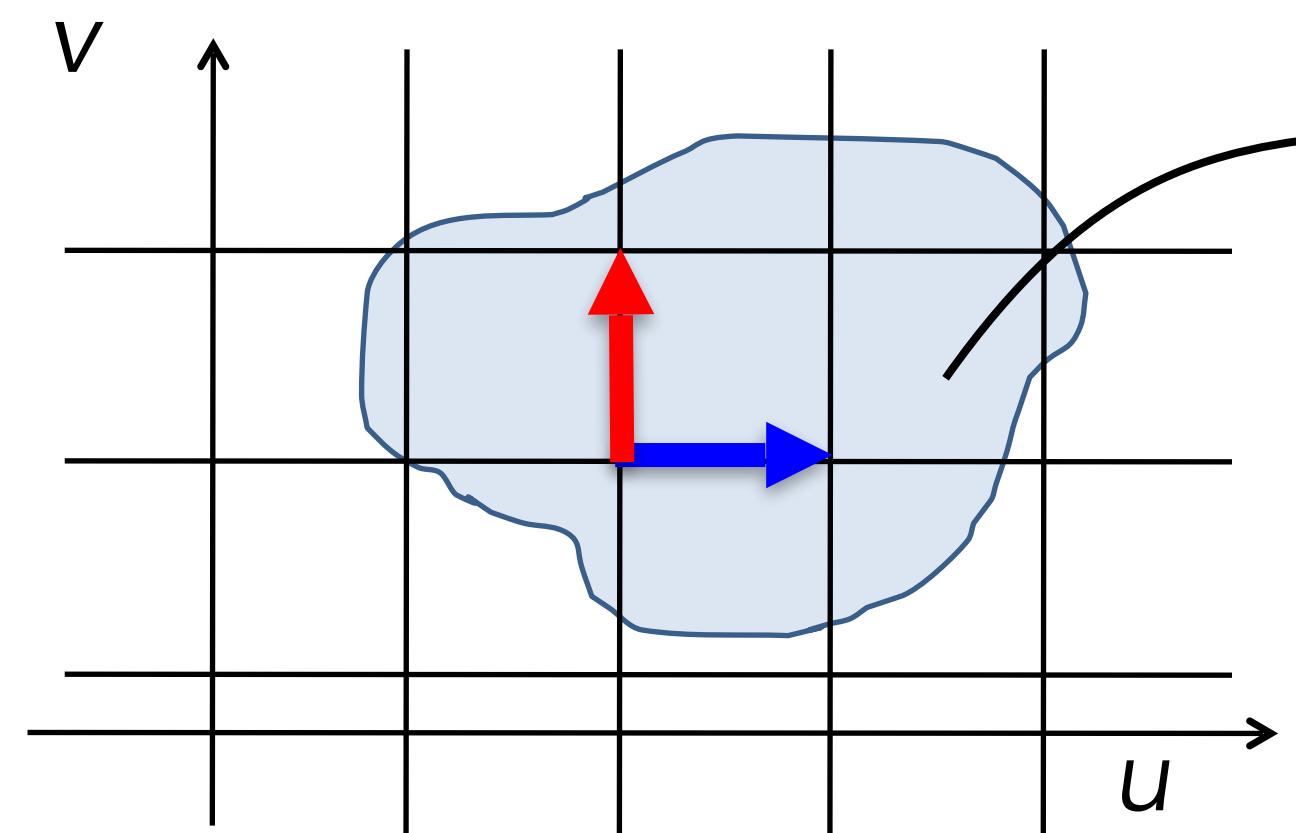


# How to Measure Distortion?

# Measures of Local Distortion

$$\mathbf{p}(u, v) = \begin{pmatrix} x(u, v) \\ y(u, v) \\ z(u, v) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (u, v) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

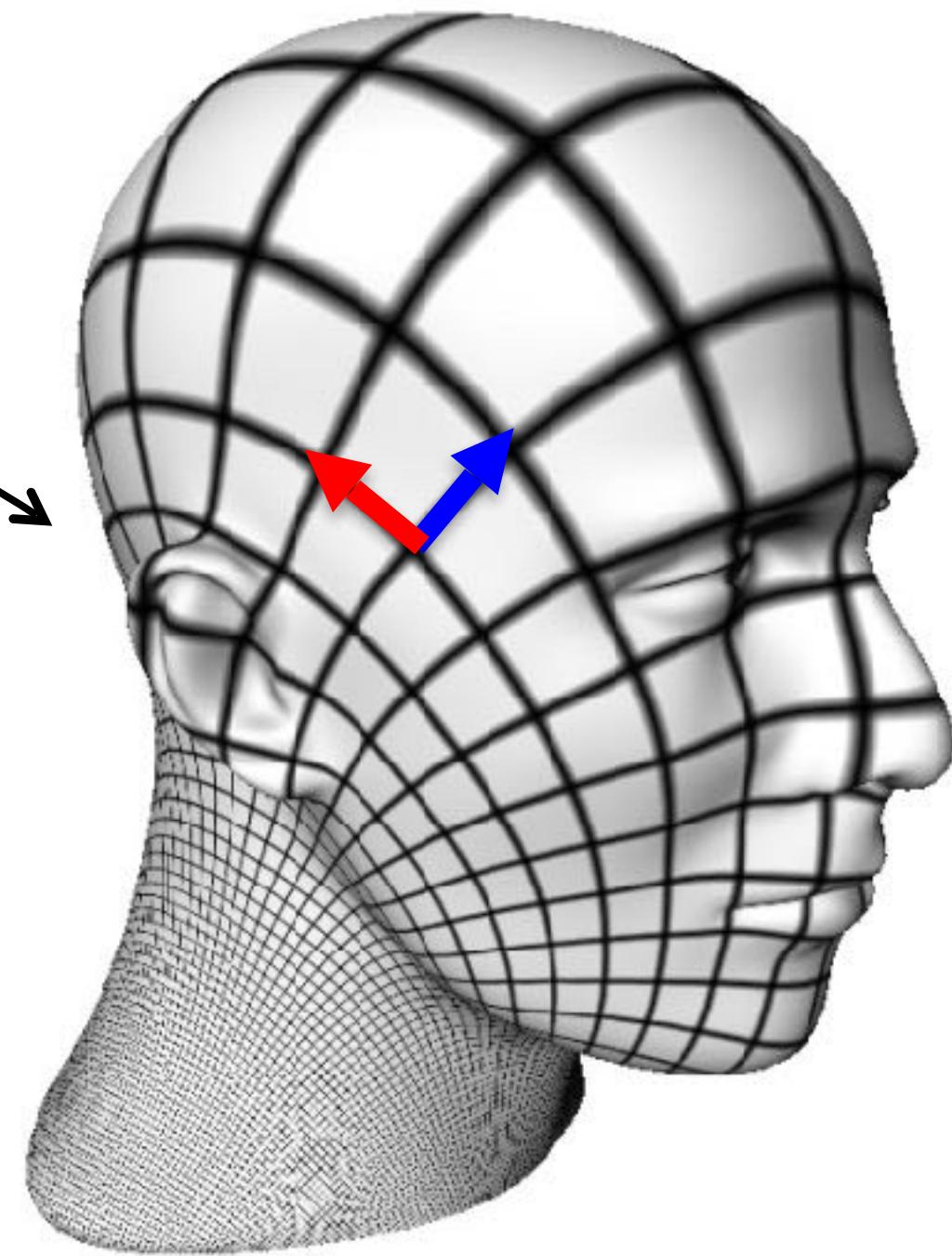
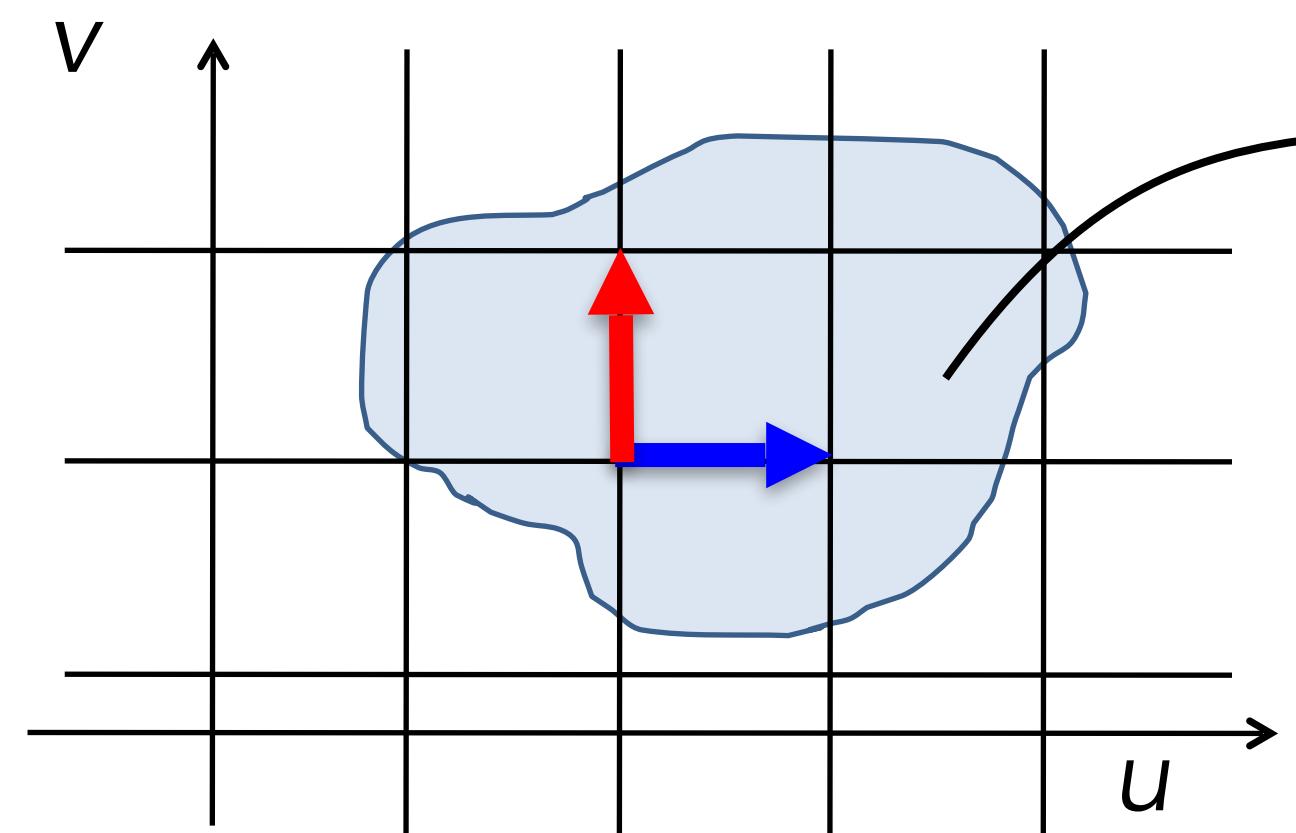
What happens  
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# Measures of Local Distortion

$$\mathbf{p}_u = \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}(u, v)}{\partial u}, \quad \mathbf{p}_v = \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}(u, v)}{\partial v}$$

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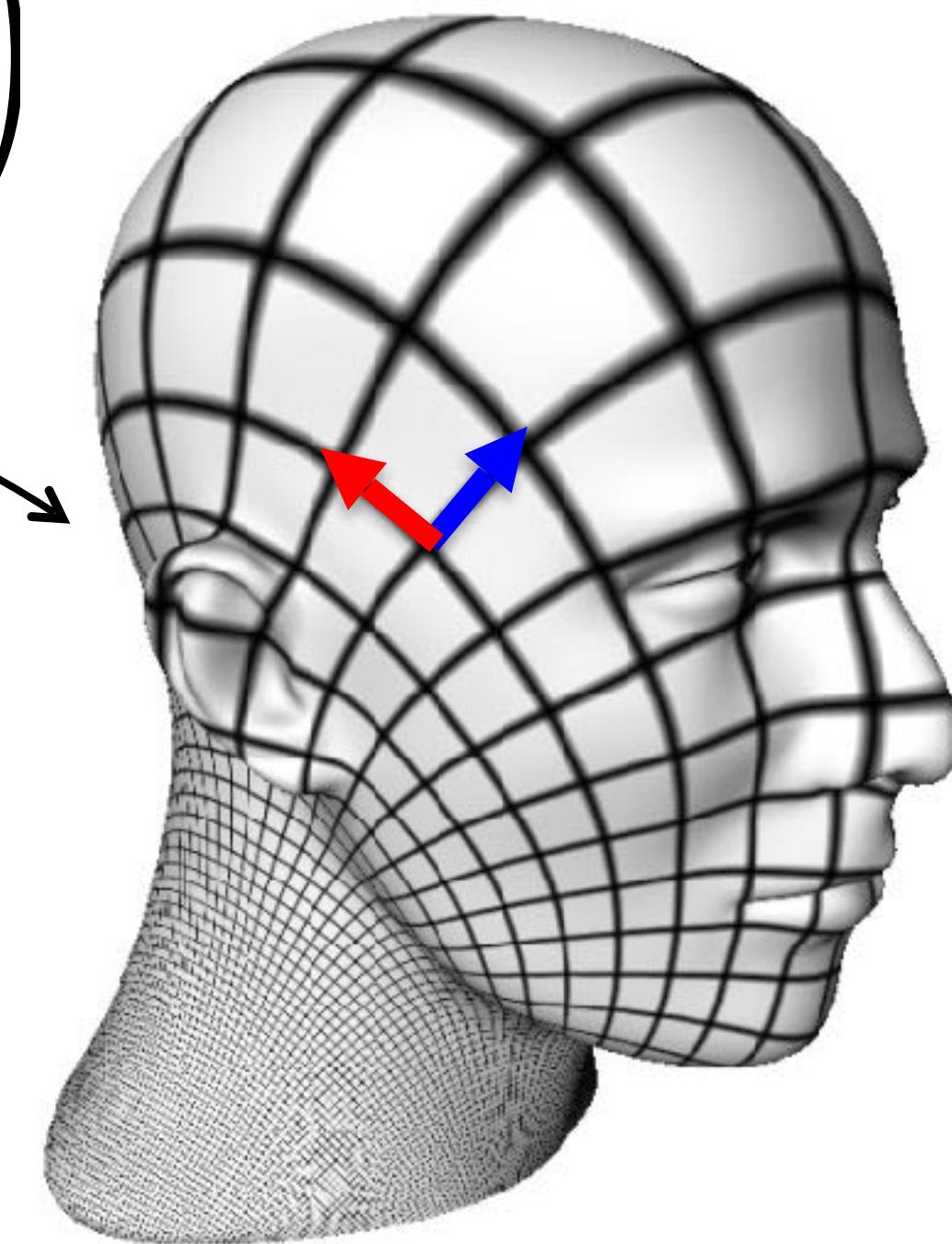
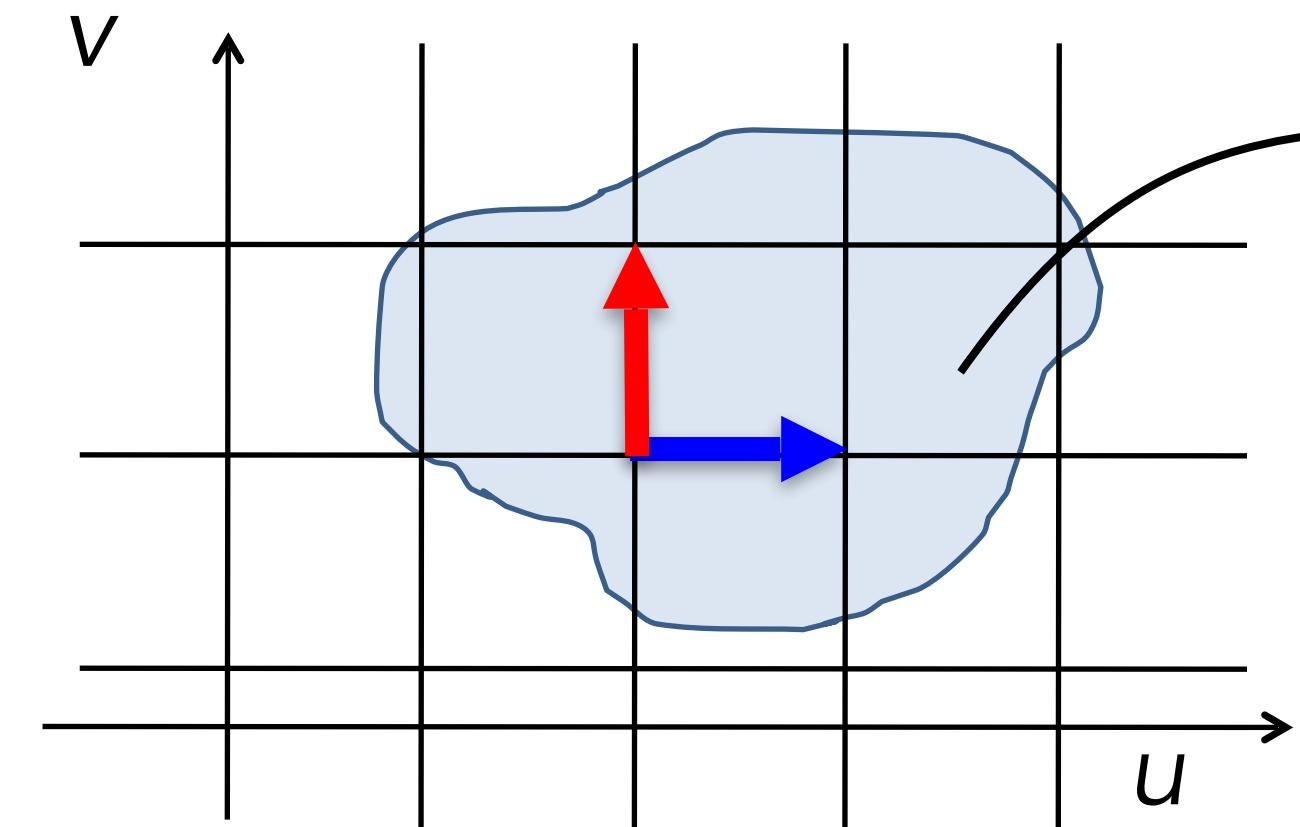


# Measures of Local Distortion

- How do lengths and angles of tangents change?
  - First fundamental form!

$$\mathbf{I} = \begin{pmatrix} E & F \\ F & G \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_u^T \mathbf{p}_u & \mathbf{p}_u^T \mathbf{p}_v \\ \mathbf{p}_u^T \mathbf{p}_v & \mathbf{p}_v^T \mathbf{p}_v \end{pmatrix}$$

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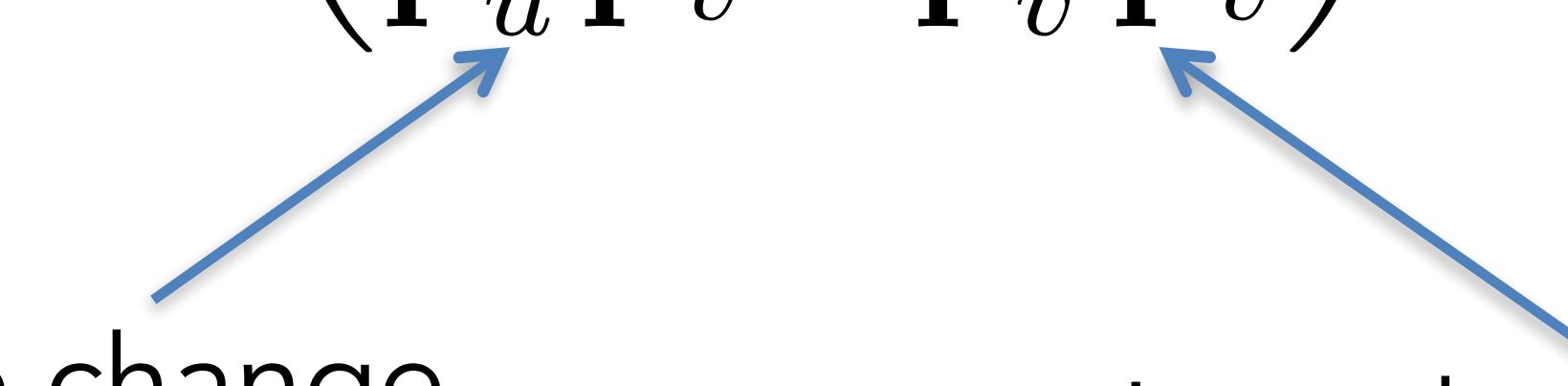


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Angle change    Length change



- Area distortion: area element:

$$dA = \sqrt{EG - F^2} dudv$$

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- The eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{I}$  tell us the maximal/minimal stretching of a tangent vector

# Distortion on Triangle Meshes?

- Triangle in 3D is mapped to triangle in 2D
- Unique affine mapping

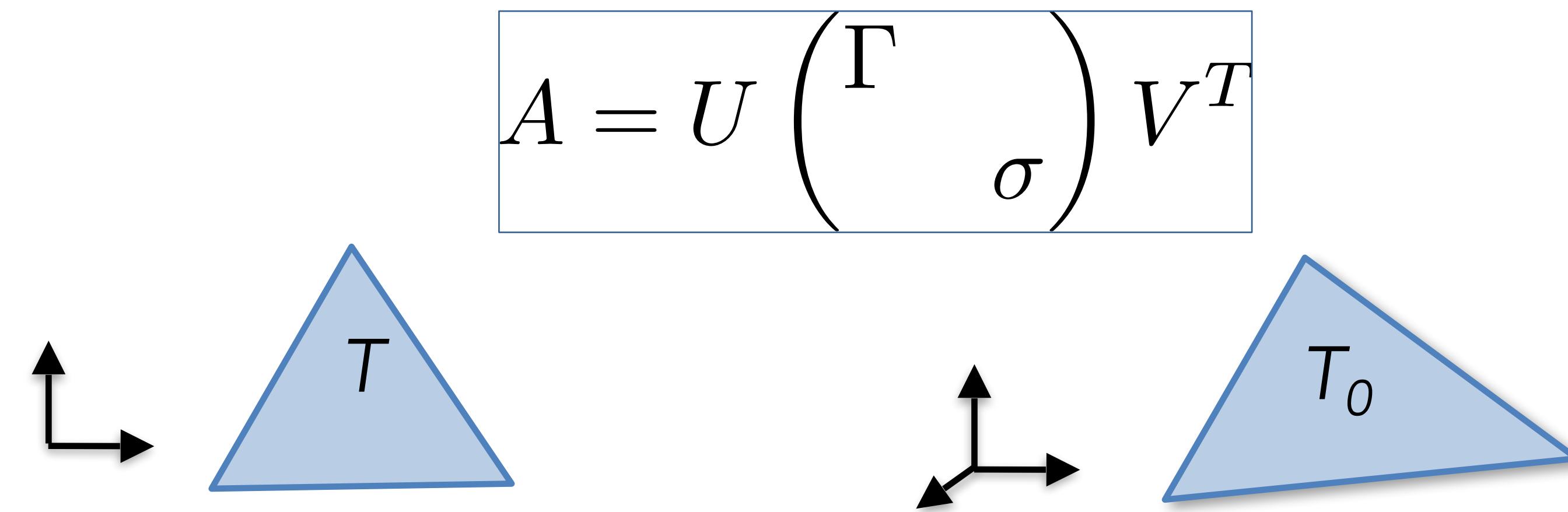


$$P : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad P(\mathbf{u}) = A\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{c}$$

$$[P_u \ P_v] = A \quad \xleftarrow{\text{Jacobian}}$$

# Distortion on Triangle Meshes?

- SVD of the Jacobian reveals directions of extreme stretching



$$P : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3, \quad P(\mathbf{u}) = A\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{c}$$

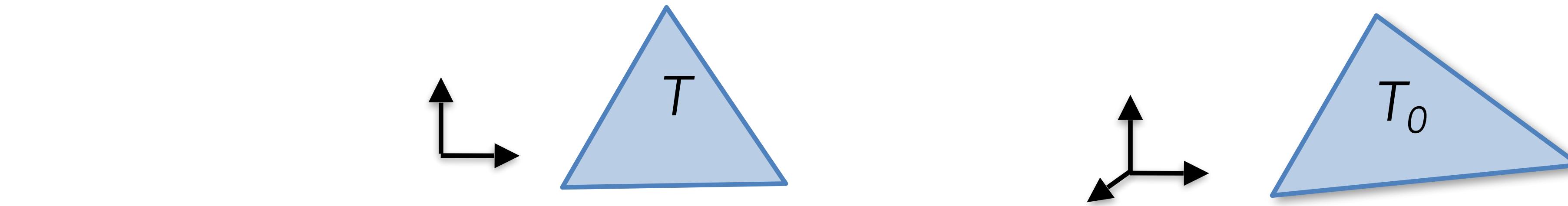
$$[P_u \ P_v] = A \xrightarrow{\text{SVD}} \mathbf{I} = A^T A$$

# Distortion on Triangle Meshes?

- Possible distortion measures:

$$E(T) = \sqrt{\Gamma^2 + \sigma^2}$$

$$E(T) = \max \left\{ \Gamma, \frac{1}{\sigma} \right\}$$

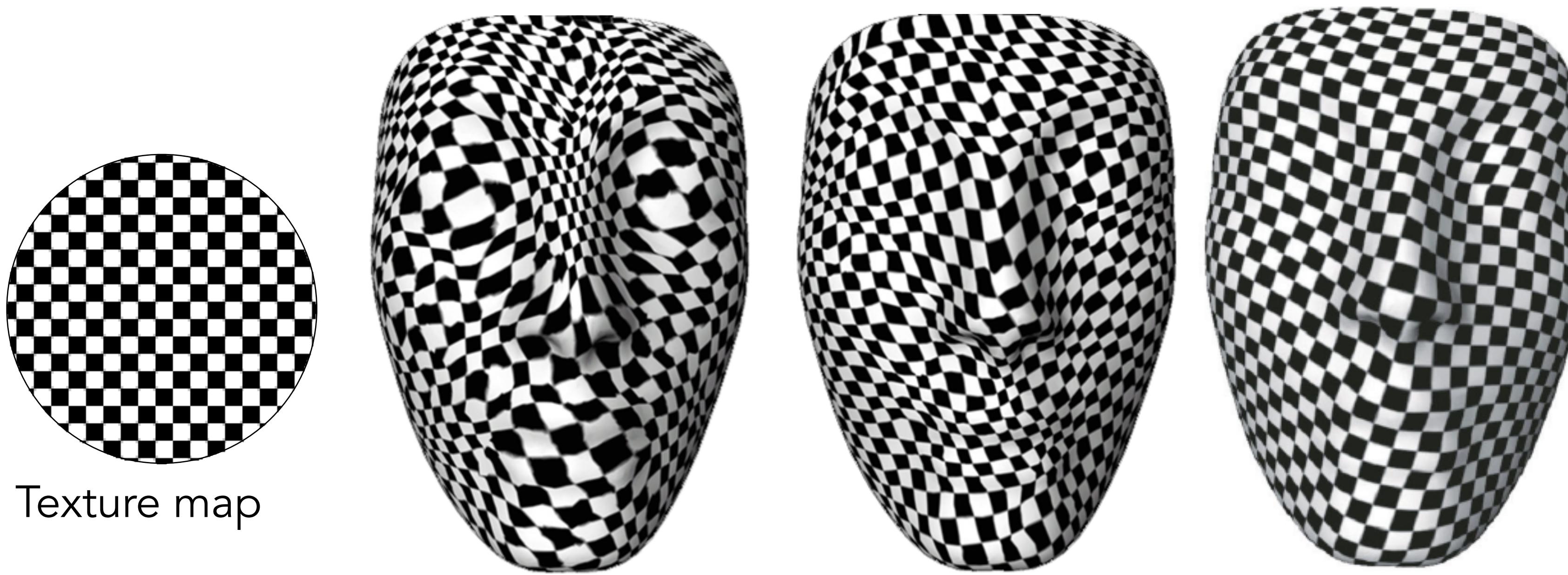


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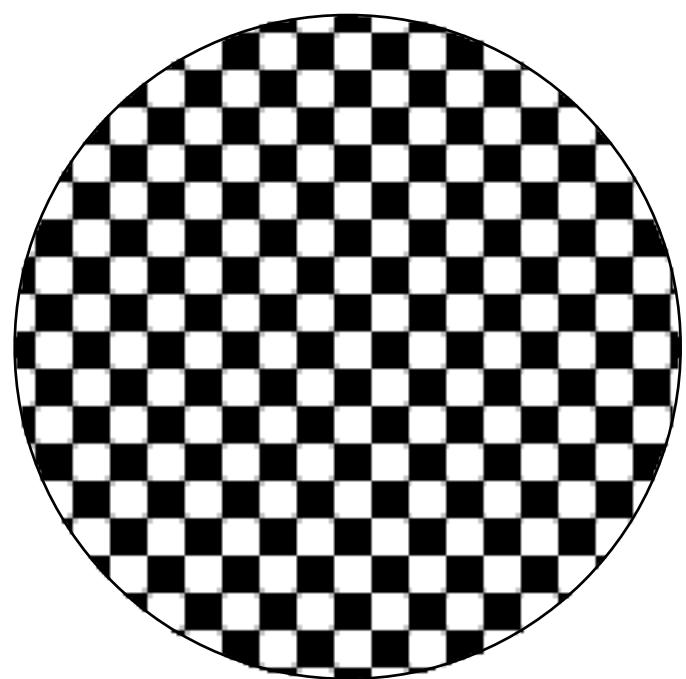
# How To Compute Parameterizations?

# Distortion Minimization

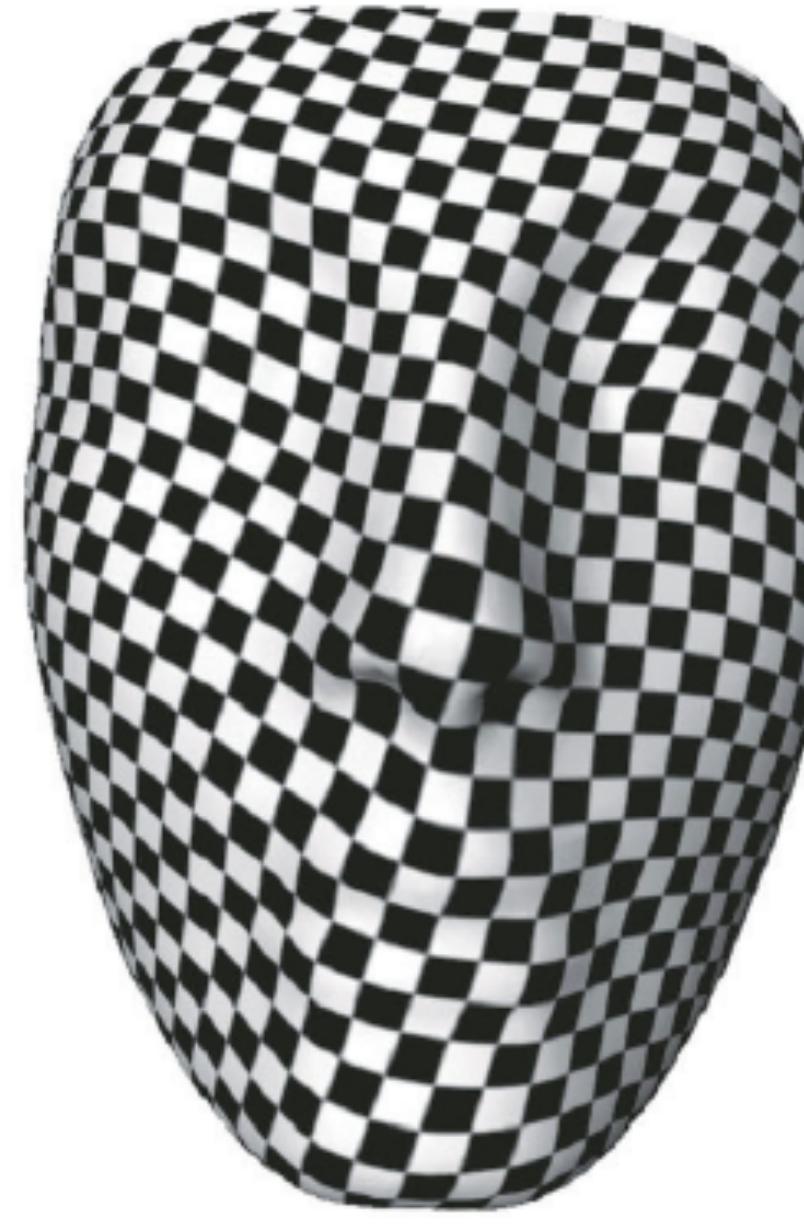
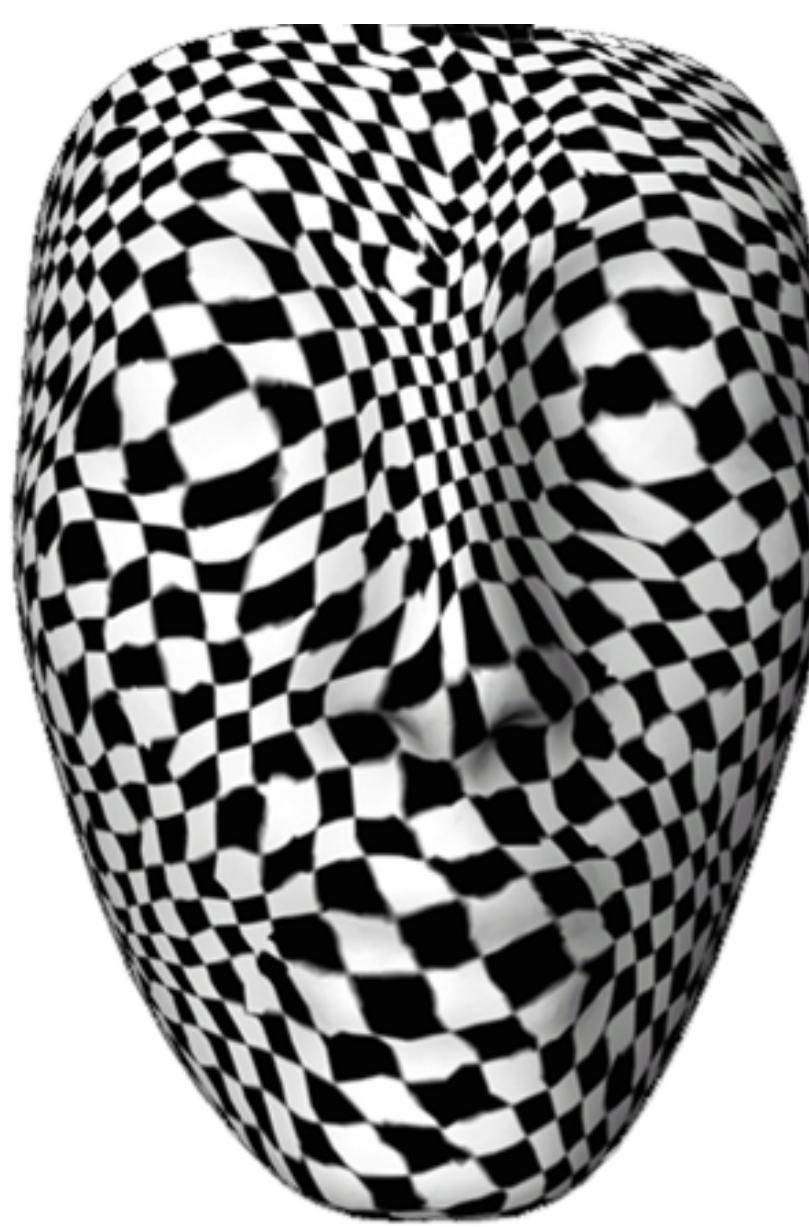


$$\operatorname{argmin}_{(u_1, v_1), \dots, (u_n, v_n)} \sum_T E(T)$$

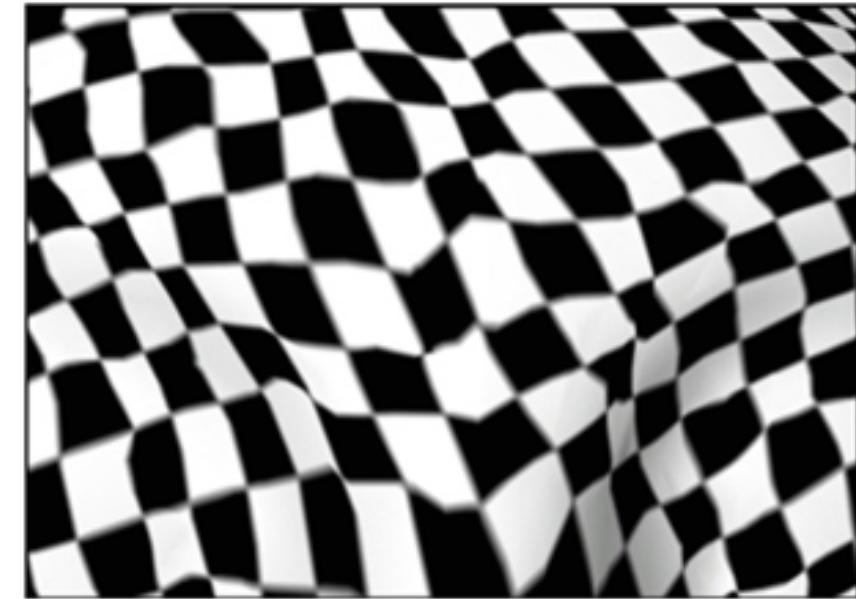
# Distortion Minimization



Texture map



Kent et al '92



Floater 97

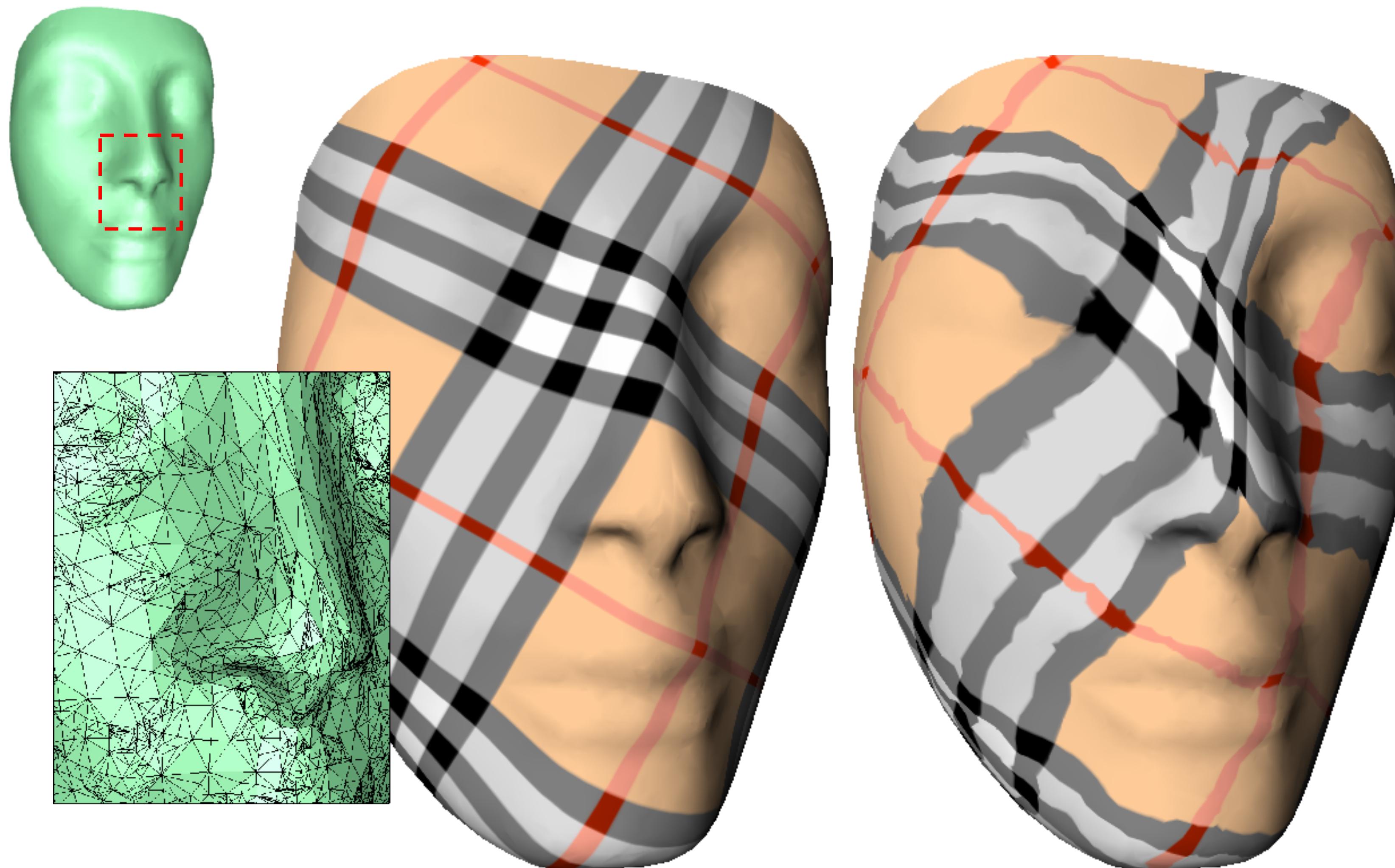


Sander et al '01

# Literature for previous slide

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- Floater '97, "Parametrization and smooth approximation of surface triangulations", Computer Aided Geometric Design Vol. 14 (1997), 231-250.  
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# Mesh Dependence

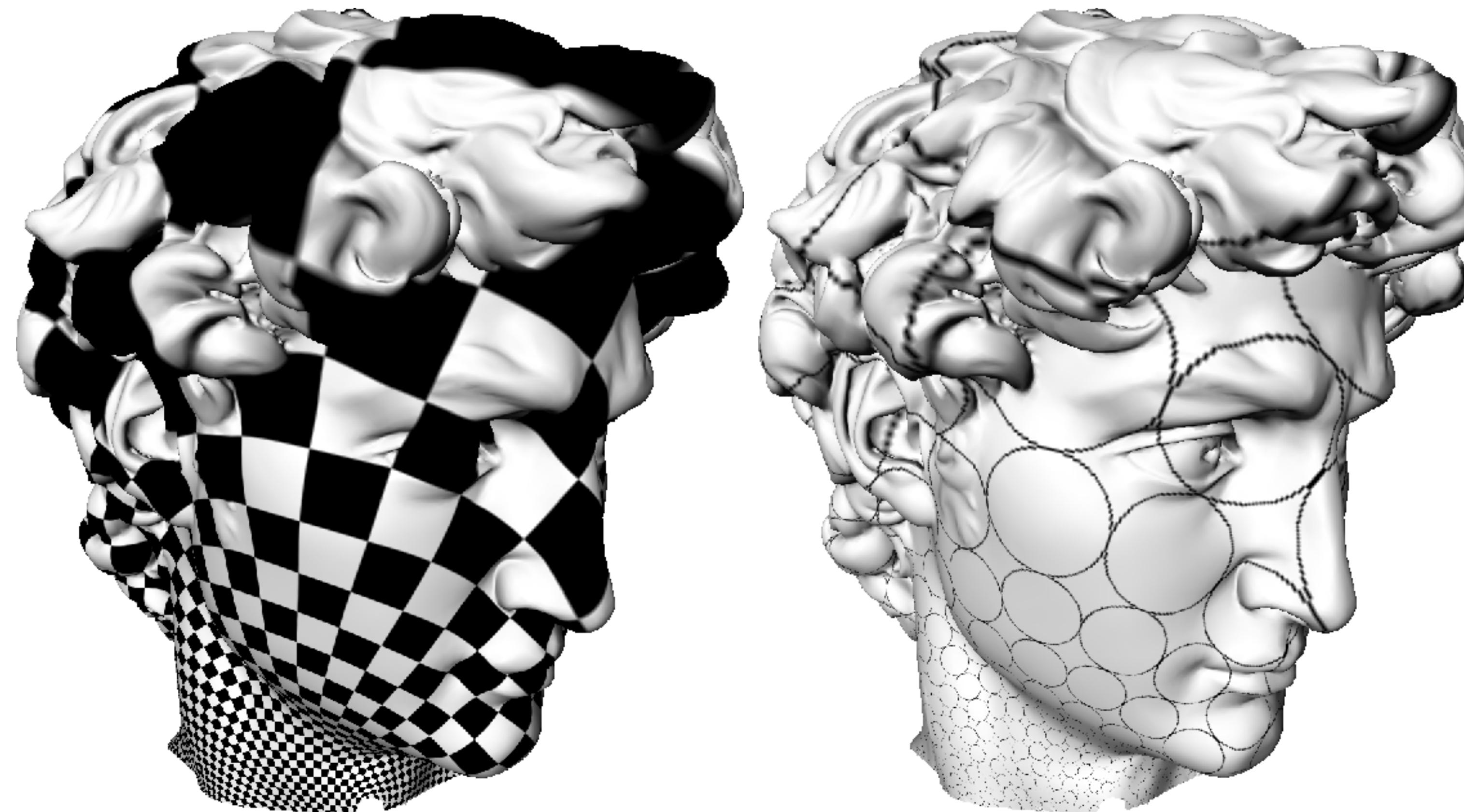


Alg. 1 – mesh-independent

Alg. 2 – ... less mesh-independent

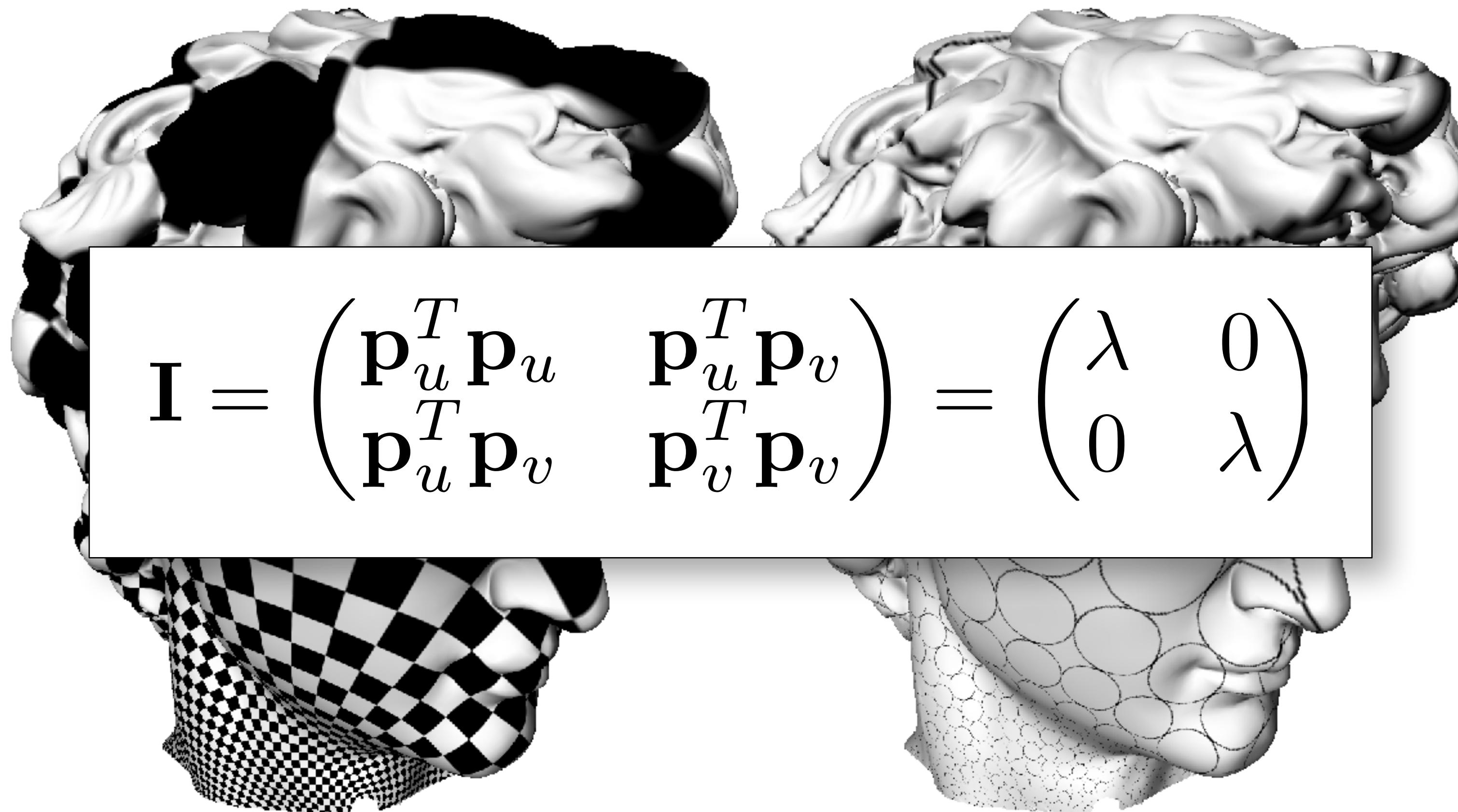
# Conformal Parameterization

- Angle preservation; circles are mapped to circles



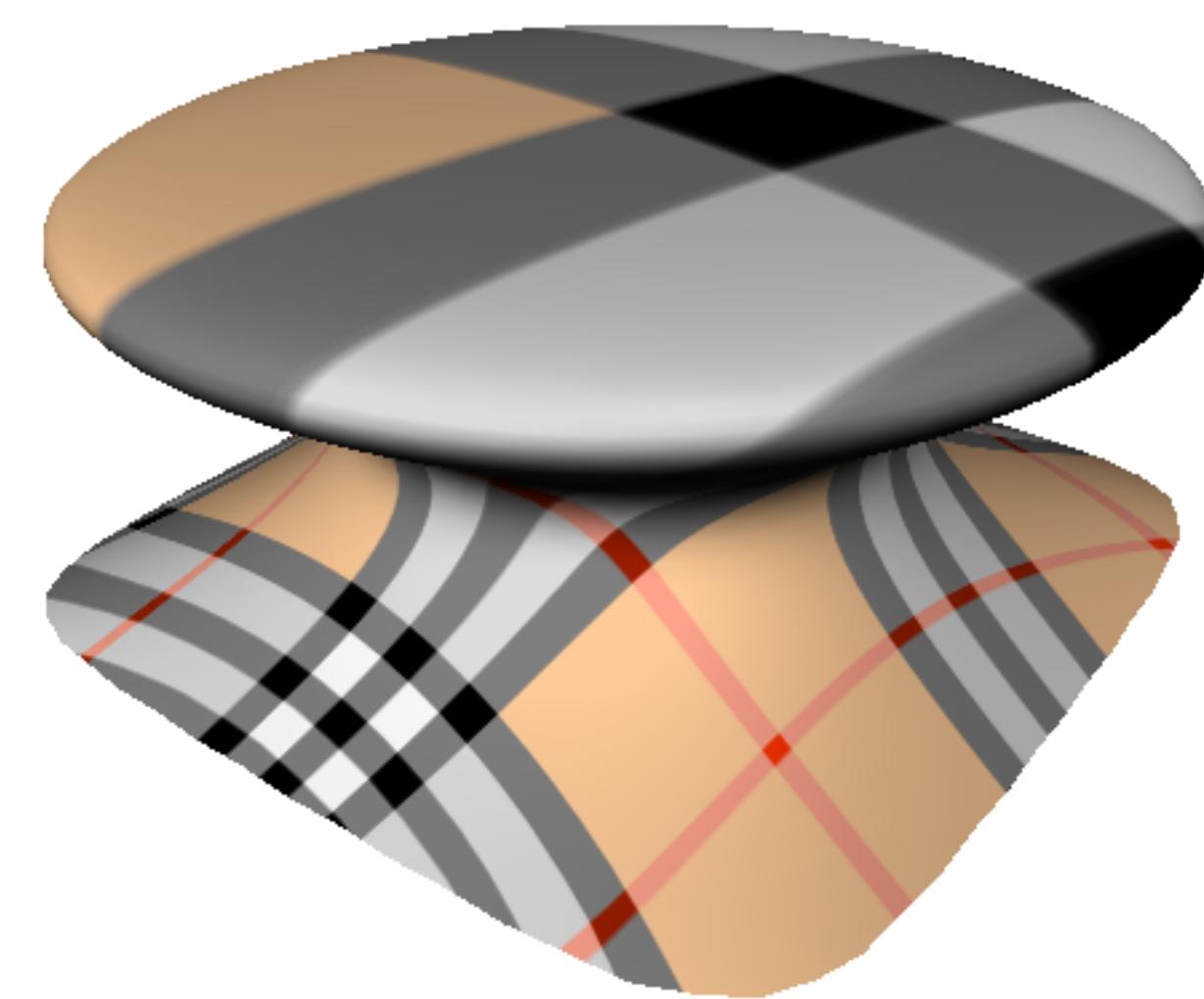
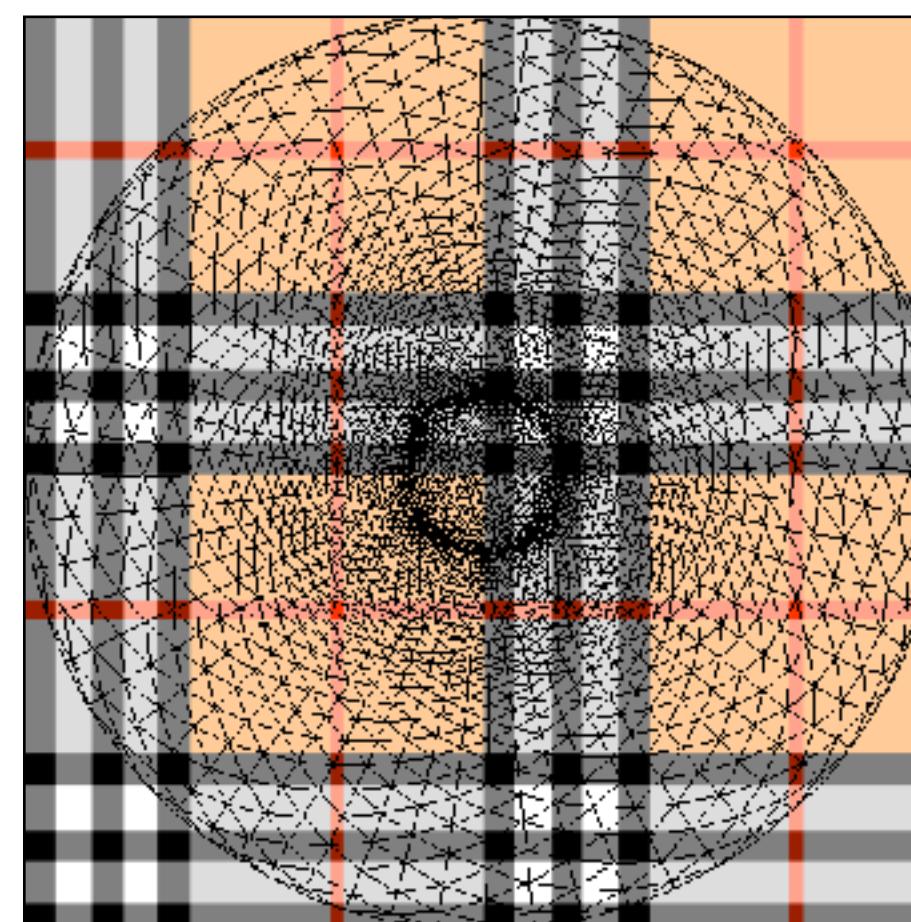
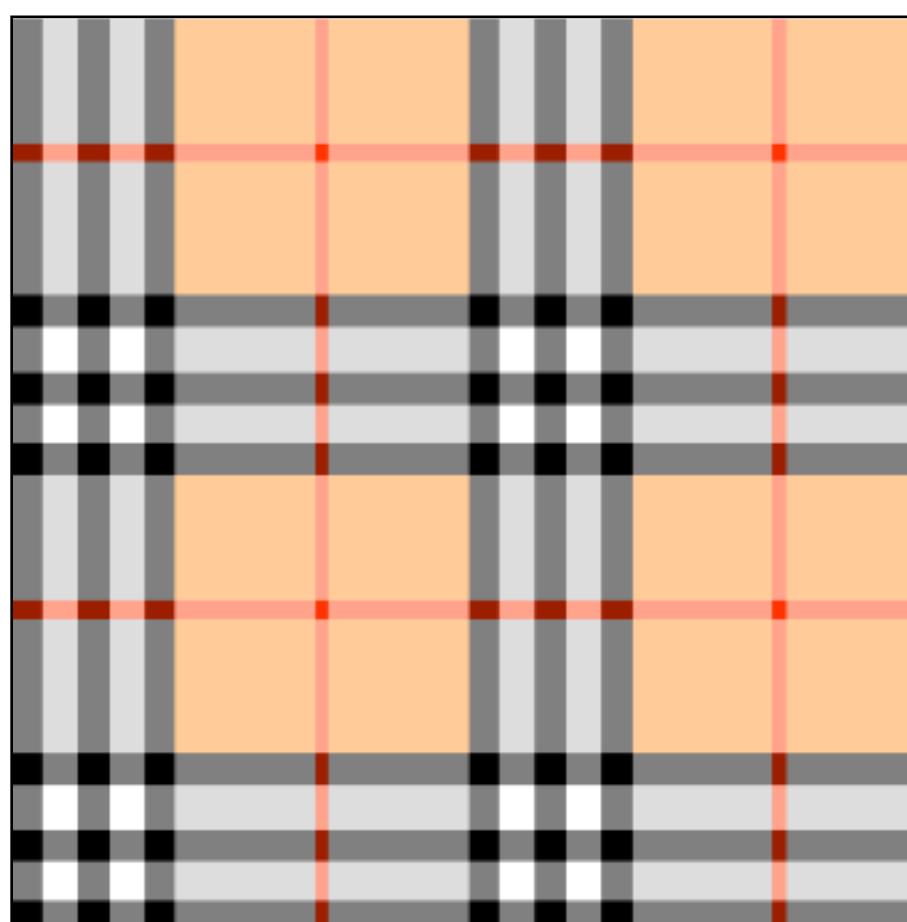
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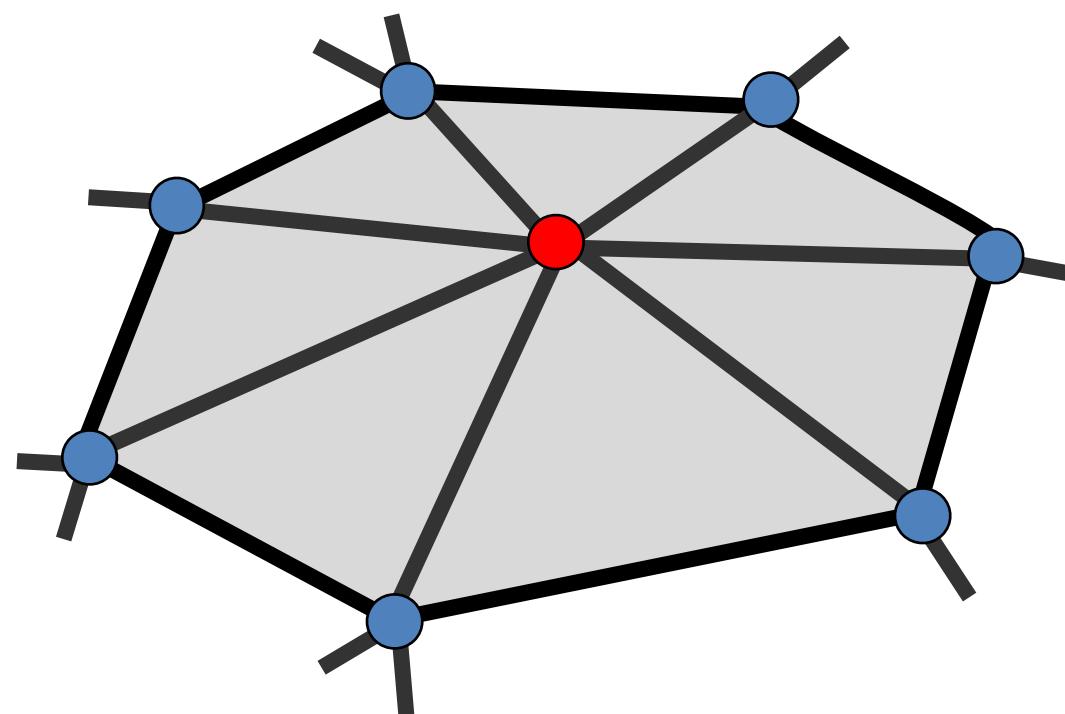
# Area Distortion vs. Angle Distortion

- Is it possible to preserve both angles and areas at the same time?



# Harmonic Mapping – Idea

- Want to flatten the mesh  $\rightarrow$  no curvature  $\rightarrow$  Laplace operator gives zero.



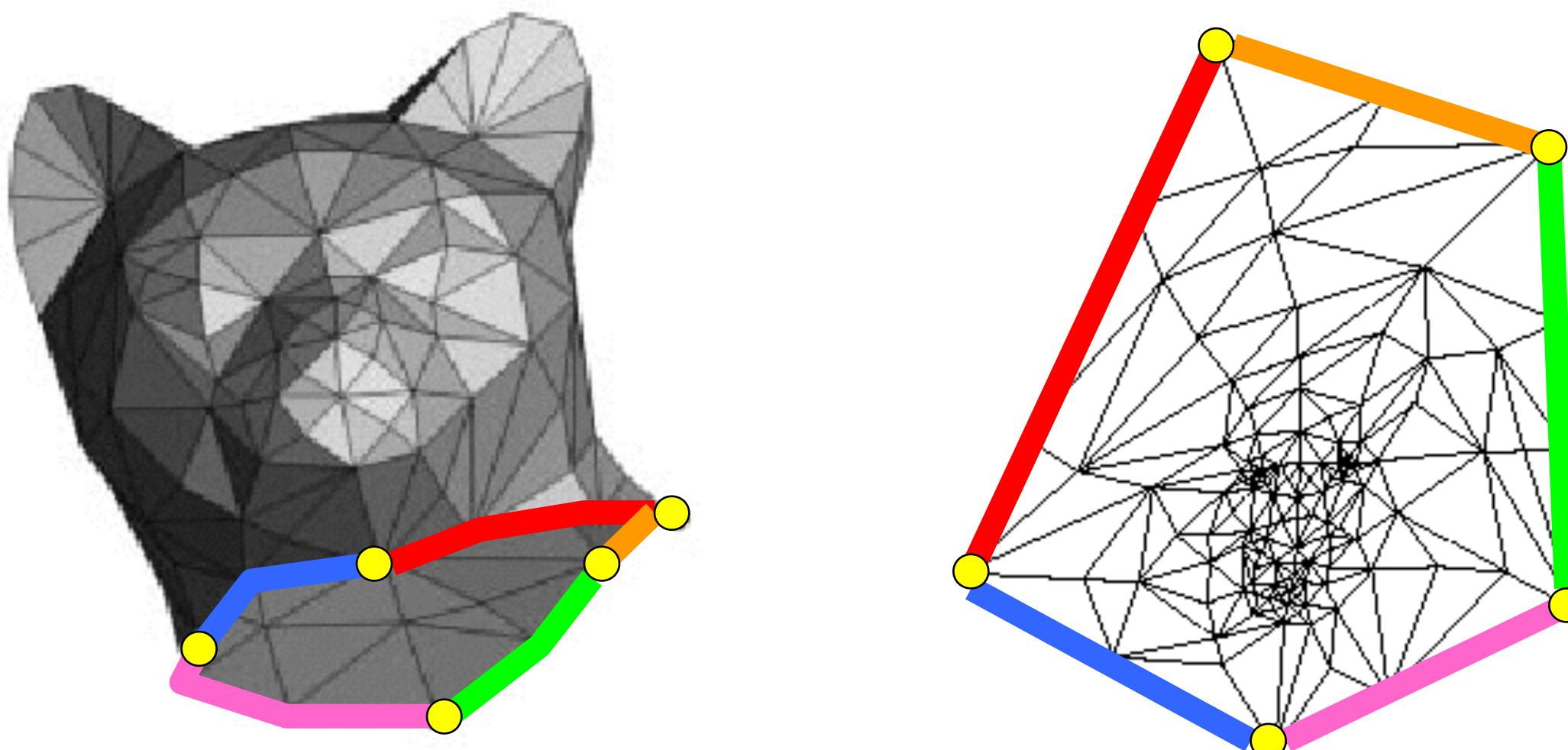
$\mathbf{u} = (u, v)$  domain

$$\Delta(\mathbf{u}) = 0$$

need boundary constraints  
to prevent trivial solution;

# Convex Mapping (Tutte, Floater)

- Boundary vertices are fixed
- Convex weights



$\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  – inner vertices

$\mathbf{v}_{n+1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_N$  – boundary vertices

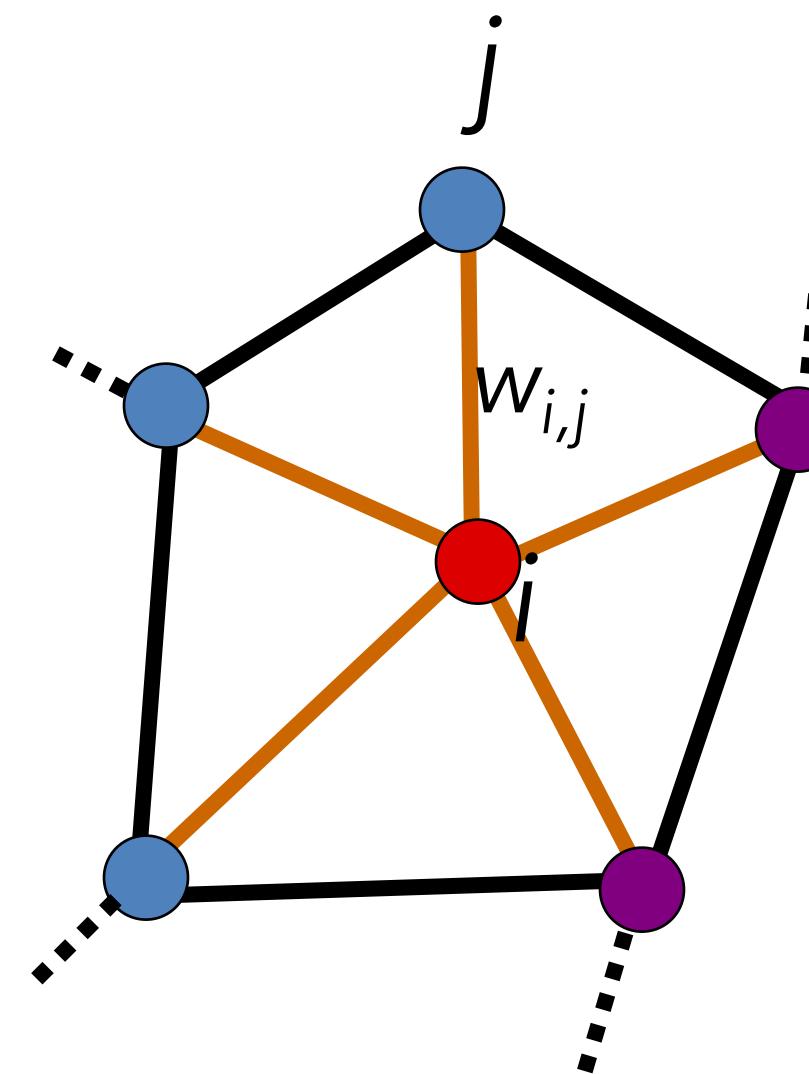
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$$\Delta(\mathbf{u}_i) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$L(\mathbf{u}_i) = \frac{1}{W_i} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} w_{ij} (\mathbf{u}_j - \mathbf{u}_i) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$w_{ij} > 0$$



# Convex Mapping (Tutte, Floater)

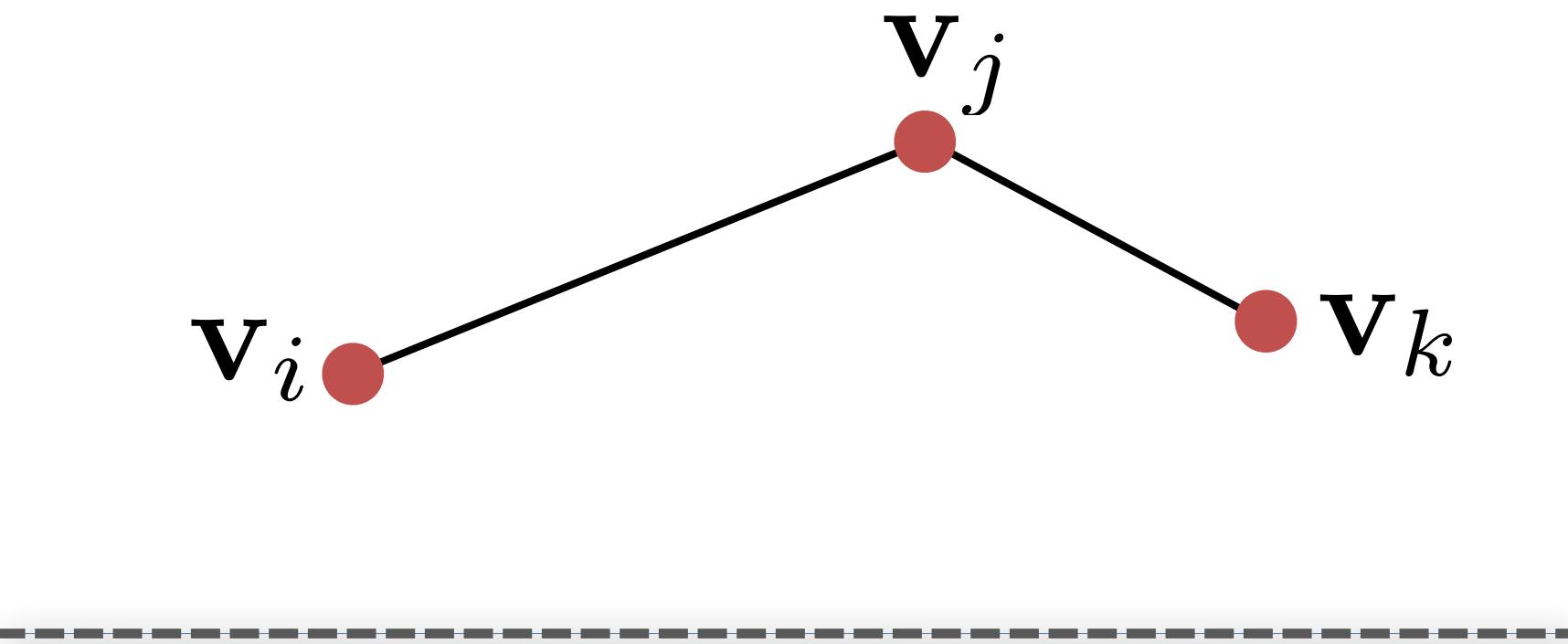
- Solve the linear system

$$L\mathbf{u} = 0 \quad \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 2}$$

- The values of the boundary vertices are known and thus substituted (transfer to right-hand side)

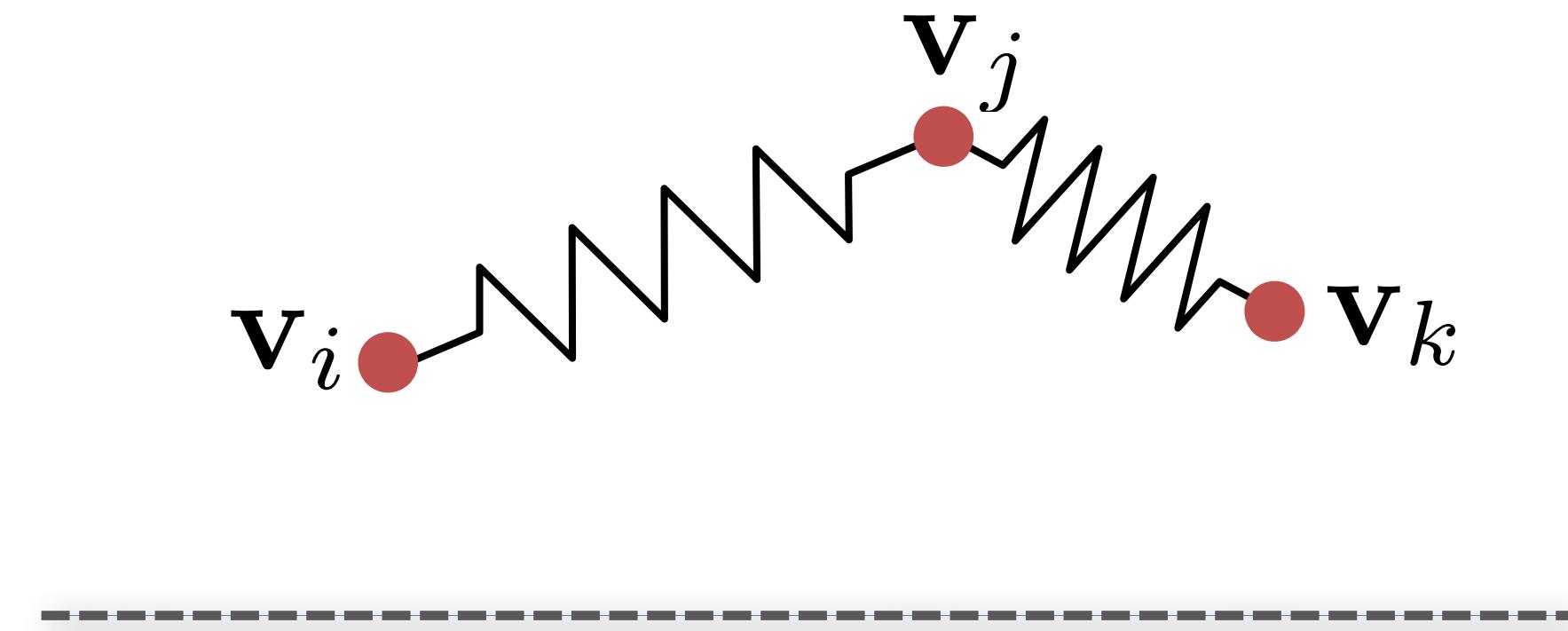
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- Inner mesh edges as springs
- Find minimum-energy state where all vertices lie in the 2D plane



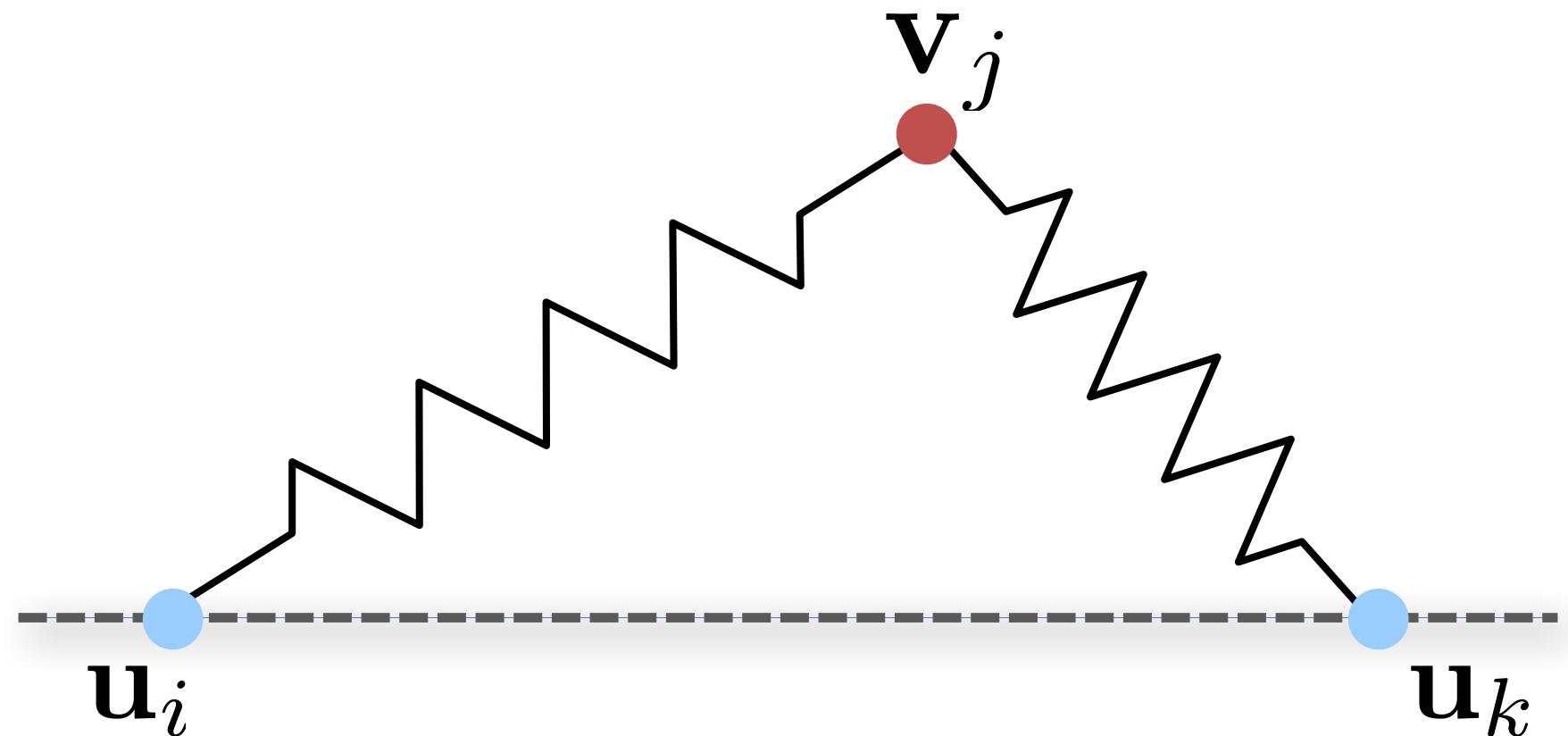
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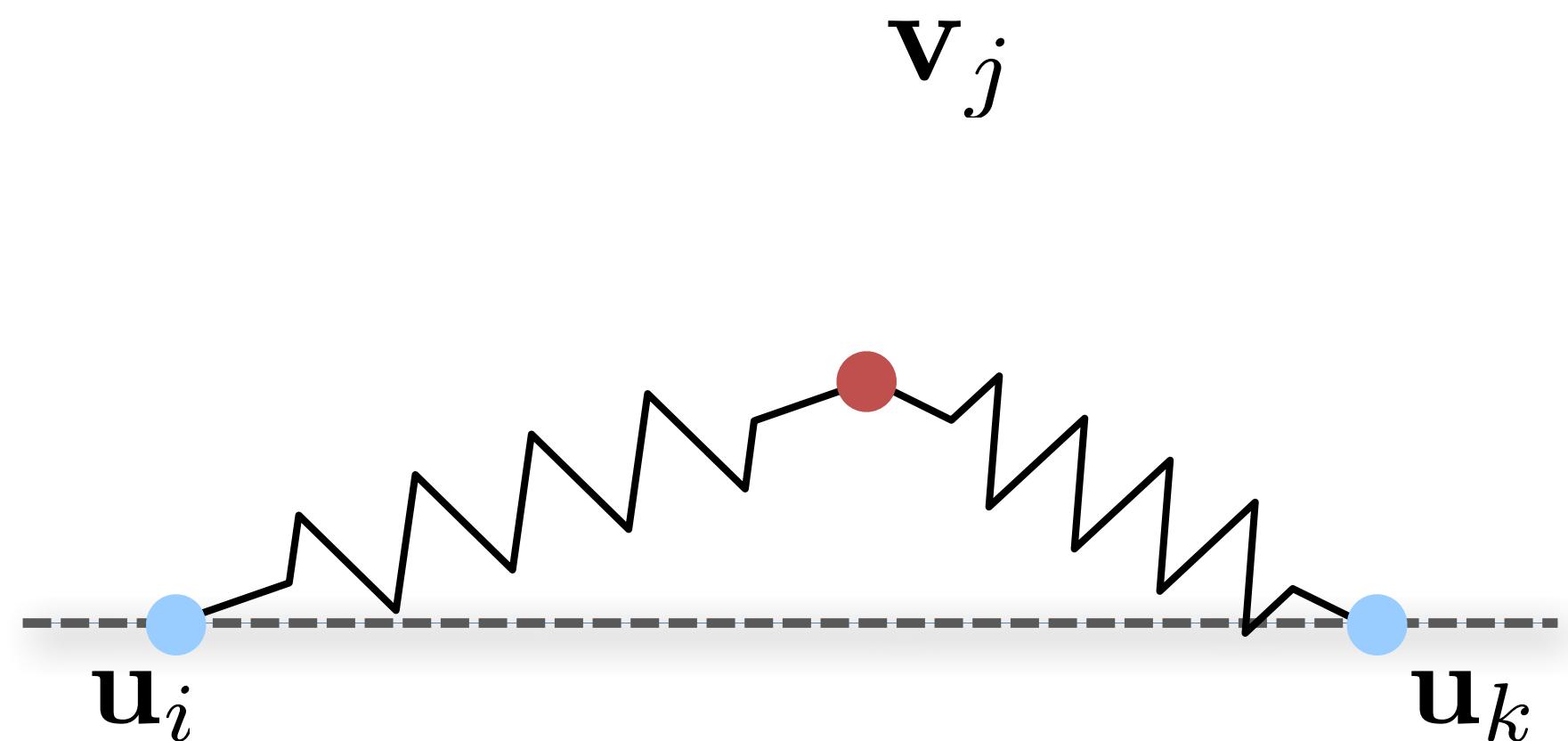
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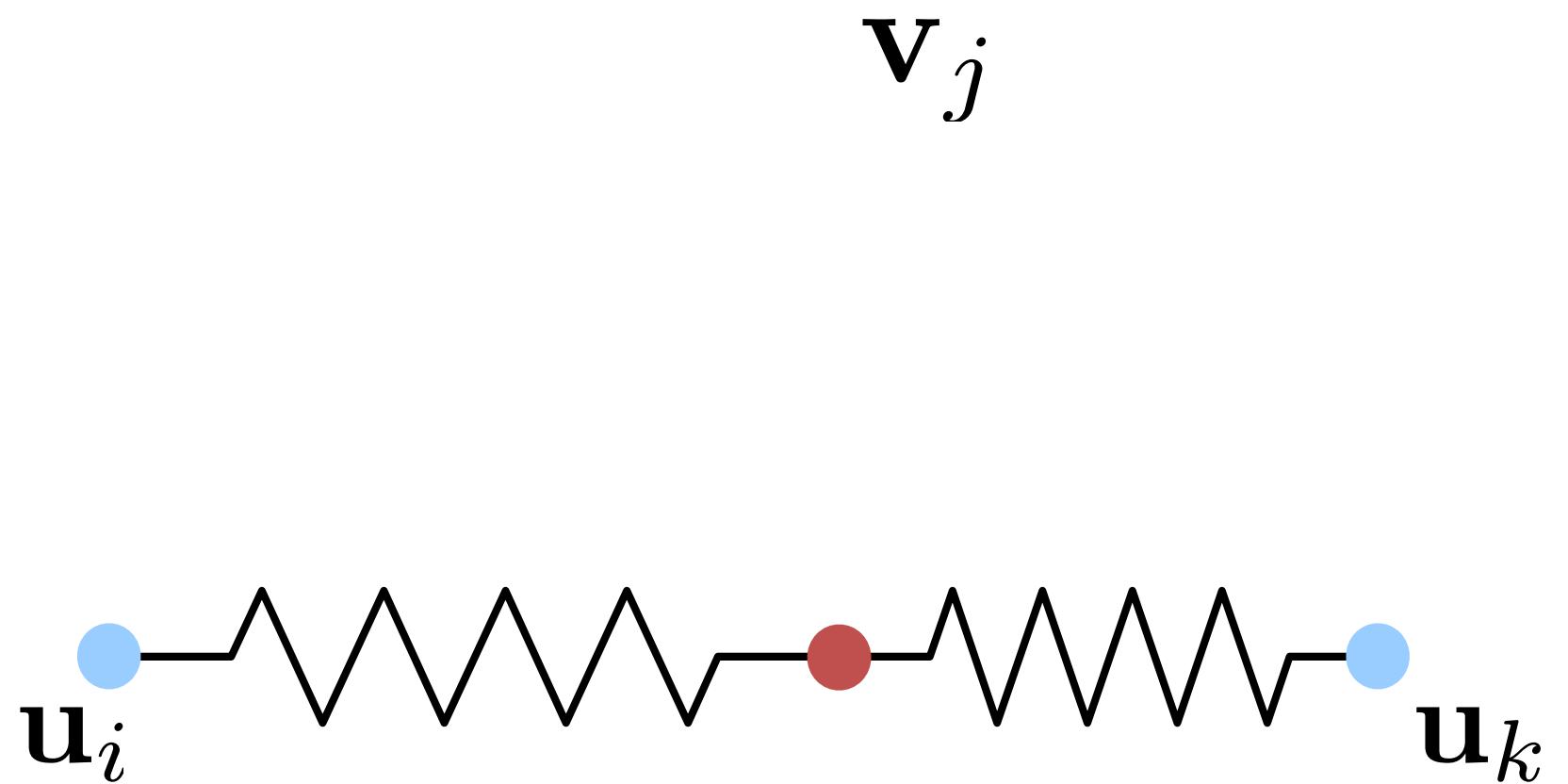
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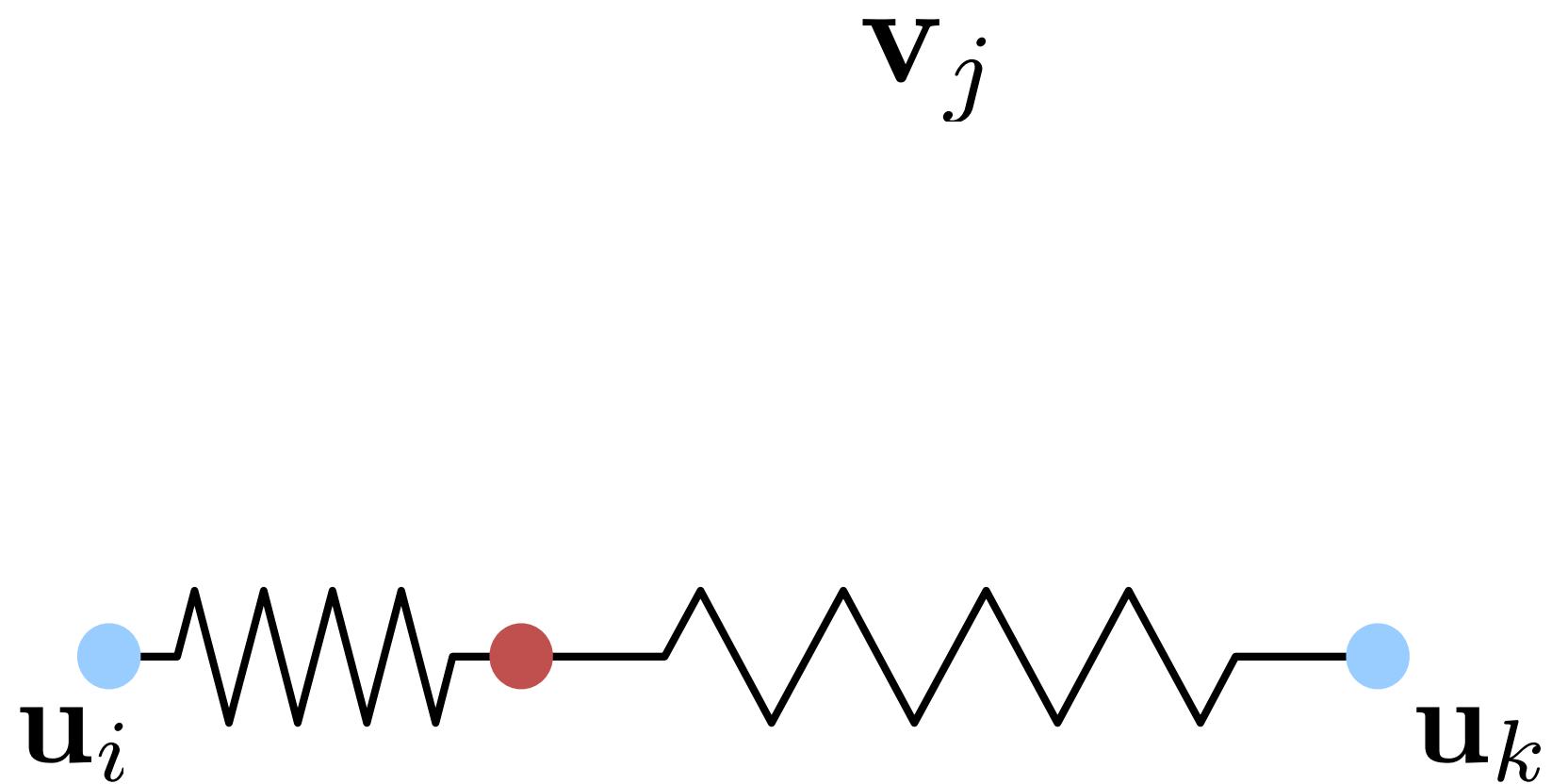
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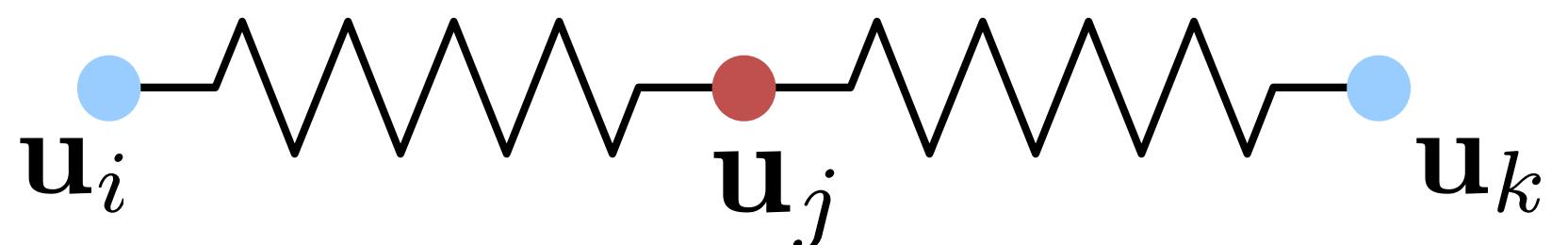
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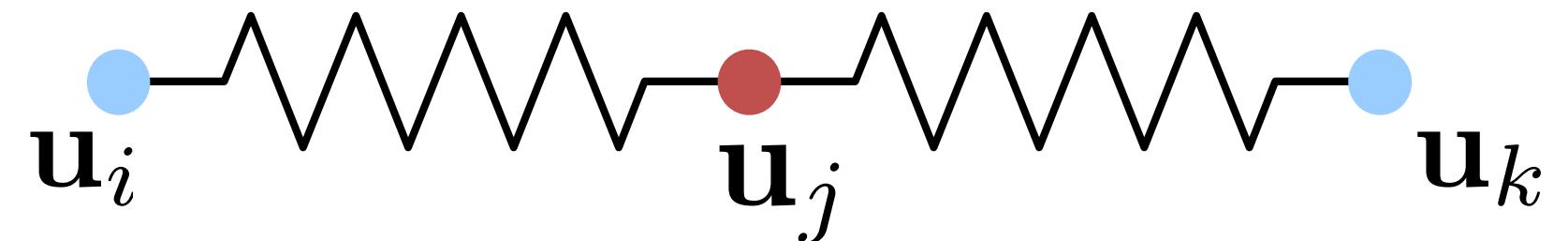
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# Harmonic Mapping

- Inner mesh edges as springs
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- Spring energy:

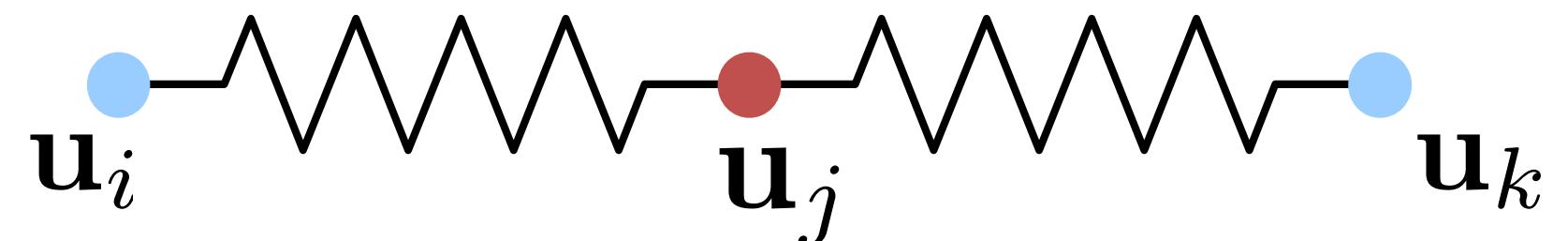
$$\frac{1}{2} k_{i,j} \|\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|^2$$
$$\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j \in \mathbb{R}^2$$



# Harmonic Mapping

- Inner mesh edges as springs
- Find minimum-energy state where all vertices lie in the 2D plane
- Total spring energy of the flattened mesh:

$$E(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n) = \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} \frac{1}{2} k_{i,j} \|\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j\|^2$$



# Demo

- <https://libigl.github.io/libigl-python-bindings/tut-chapter4/>

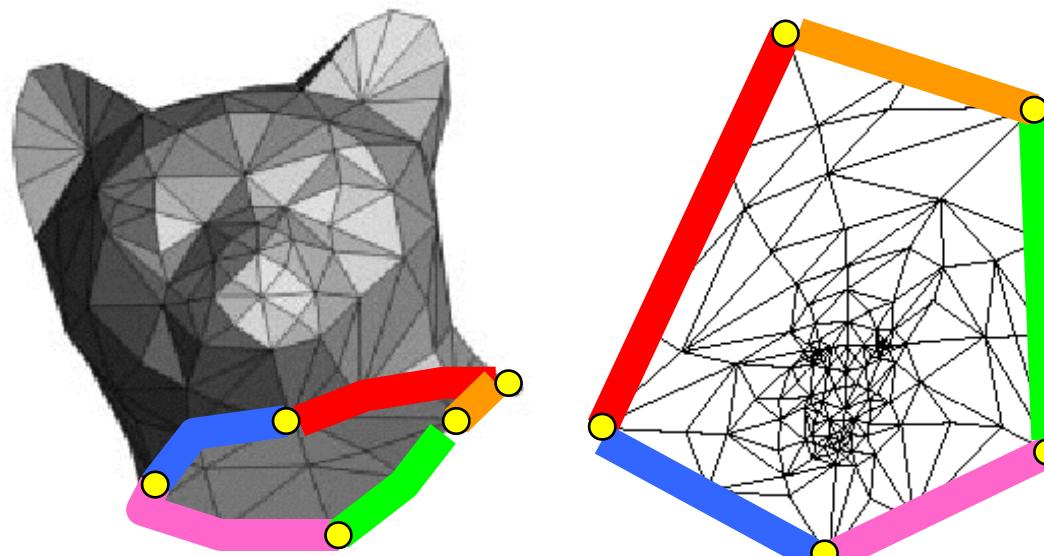
# Minimizing Spring Energy

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$$\frac{\partial E(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n)}{\partial \mathbf{u}_i} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} k_{i,j} (\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j) = 0$$

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i) \cap \mathcal{B}} k_{i,j} \mathbf{u}_i + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i) \setminus \mathcal{B}} k_{i,j} (\mathbf{u}_i - \mathbf{u}_j) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i) \cap \mathcal{B}} k_{i,j} \mathbf{u}_j$$

unknown  
flat vertex  
positions



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known fixed  
boundary  
positions

# Minimizing Spring Energy

- Sparse linear system of  $n$  equations to solve!

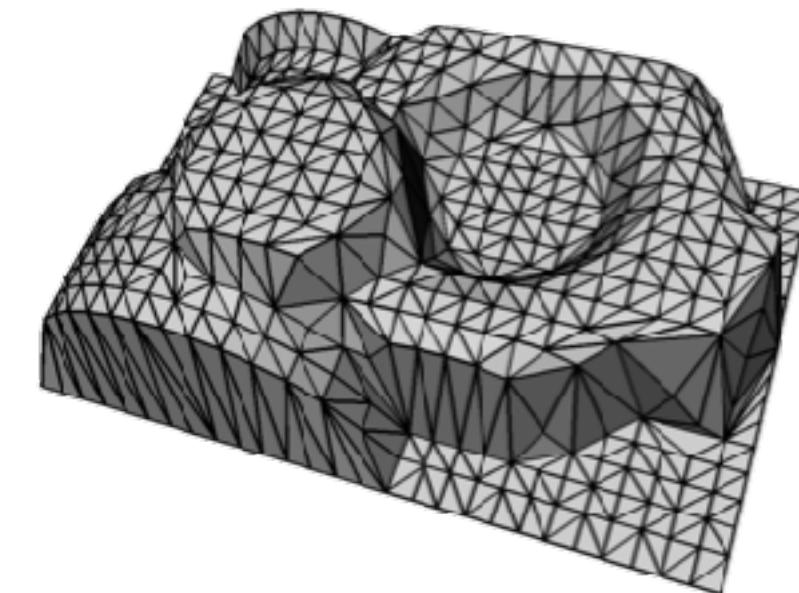
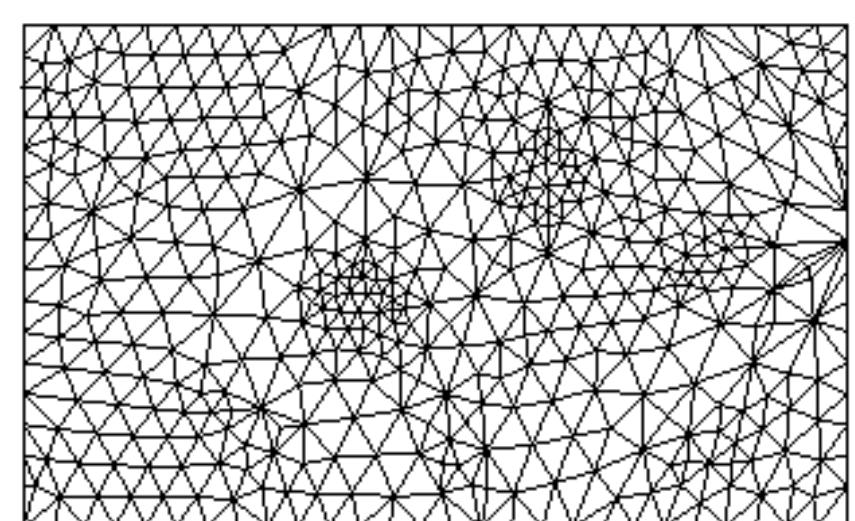
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$$\begin{pmatrix} \sum_j k_{i,j} & * & \cdots & -k_{i,j} \\ * & \sum_j k_{i,j} & * & \vdots \\ \vdots & * & \ddots & * \\ -k_{j,i} & \cdots & * & \sum_j k_{i,j} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}}_1 \\ \bar{\mathbf{u}}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{\mathbf{u}}_n \end{pmatrix}$$

# Choice of spring constants $k_{i,j}$

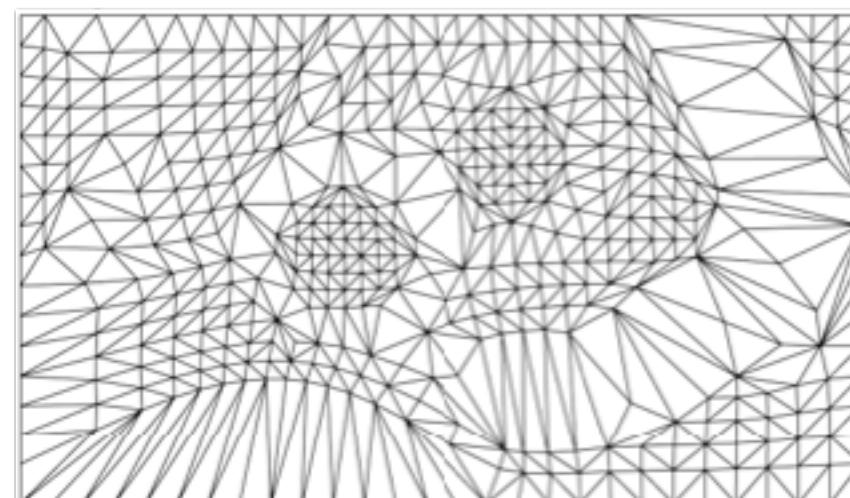
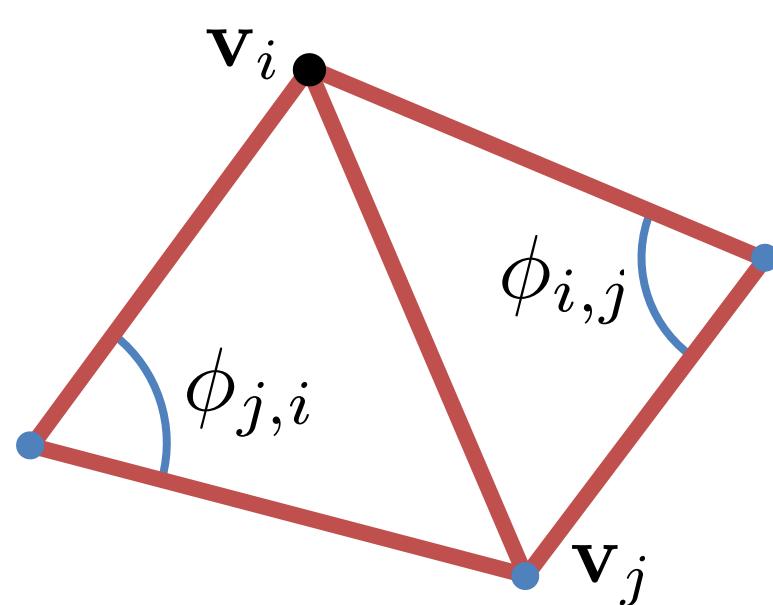
- Uniform

$$k_{i,j} = 1$$



- Cotan

$$k_{i,j} = \cot \phi_{i,j} + \cot \phi_{j,i}$$

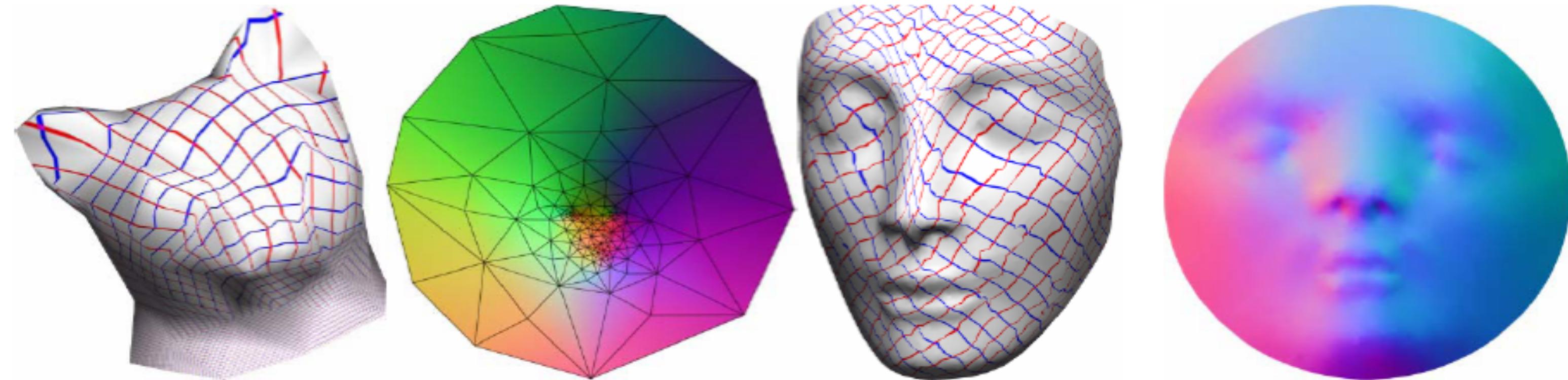


# Tutte's Theorem

- If the weights are **nonnegative**, and the boundary is fixed to a **convex** polygon, the parameterization is **bijective**
- Tutte'63 proved for uniform weights
- Floater'97 extended to arbitrary nonnegative weights
  - W.T. Tutte. "How to draw a graph". Proceedings of the London Mathematical Society, 13(3):743-768, 1963.
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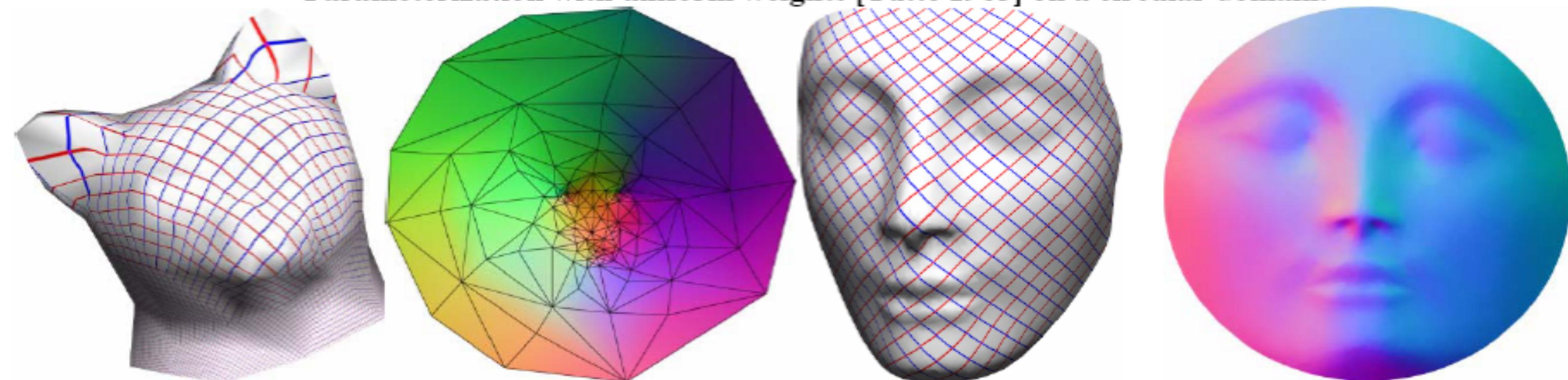
# Comparison of Weights

uniform  
weights



Parameterization with uniform weights [Tutte 1963] on a circular domain.

cotan  
weights



Parameterization with harmonic weights [Eck et al. 1995] on a circular domain.

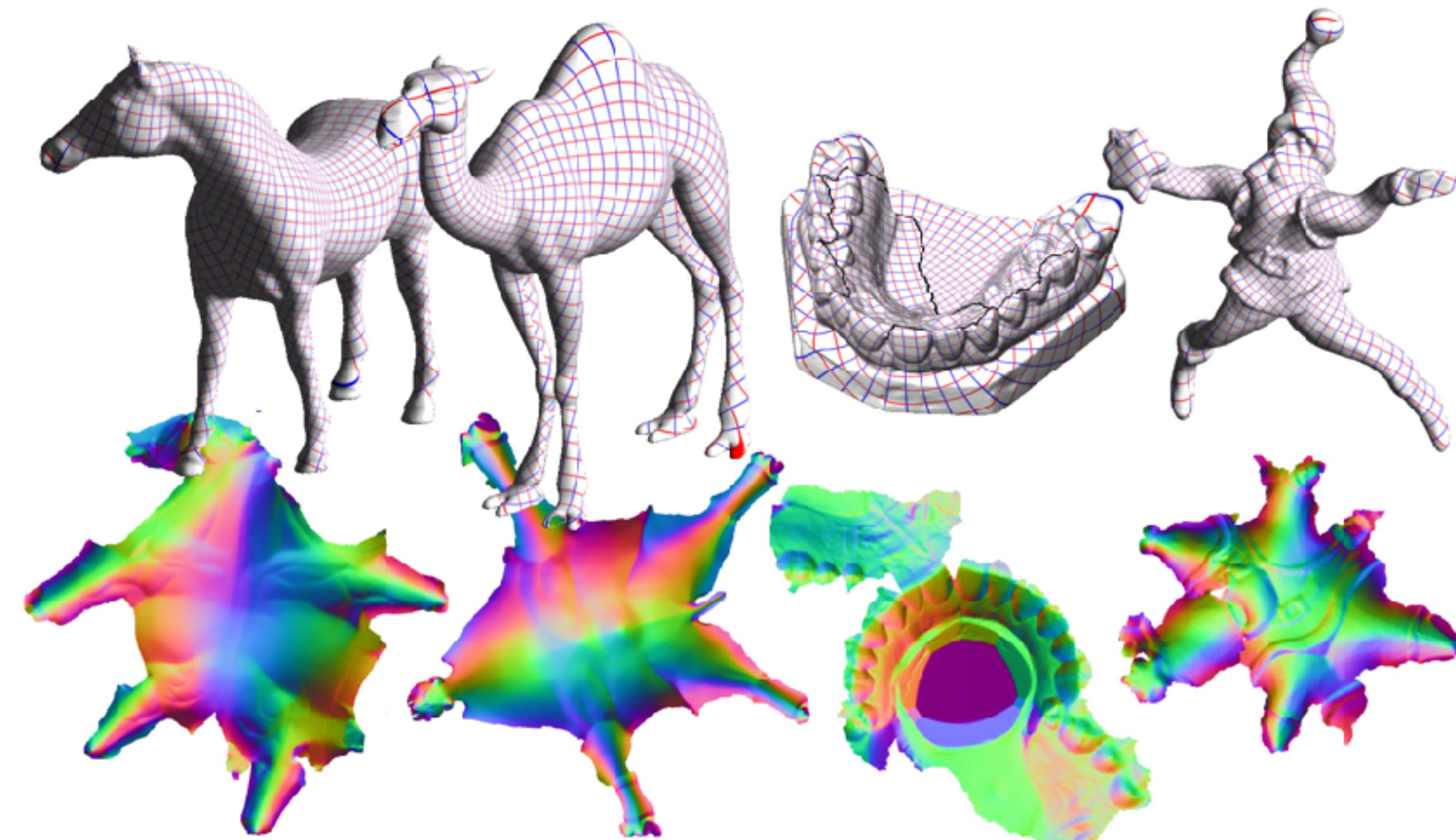
Eck et al. 1995, "Multiresolution analysis of arbitrary meshes", SIGGRAPH 1995

# Discussion

- The results of cotan-weights mapping are better than those of uniform convex mapping (local area and angles preservation).
- But: the mapping is not always legal (the cotan weights can be negative for badly-shaped triangles...)
- In any case: sparse system to solve, so robust and efficient numerical solvers exist

# Discussion

- Both mappings have the problem of **fixed boundary** – it constrains the minimization and causes **distortion**.
- More advanced methods do not require boundary conditions.



ABF++ method,  
Sheffer et al. 2005  
<http://www.cs.ubc.ca/~sheffa/ABF++/abf.htm>

# Summary

- Parametrization have many uses in computer graphics: they allow to use 2D algorithms and data on surfaces
- Designing a parametrization is equivalent to designing two scalar functions
- Scalar functions can be designed interpolating values directly, or interpolating vectors and solving a Poisson problem

# References

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