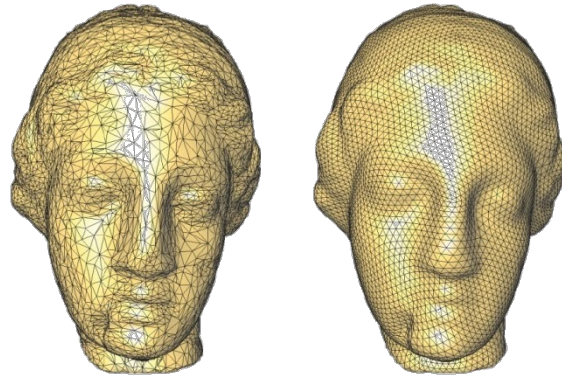
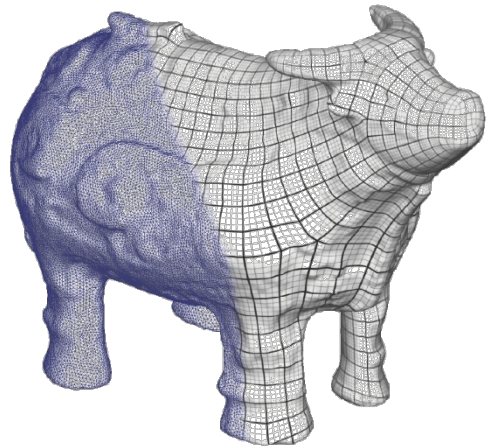


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SUBDIVISION SURFACES

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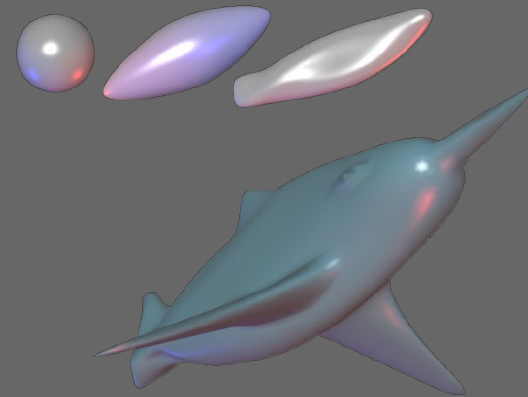
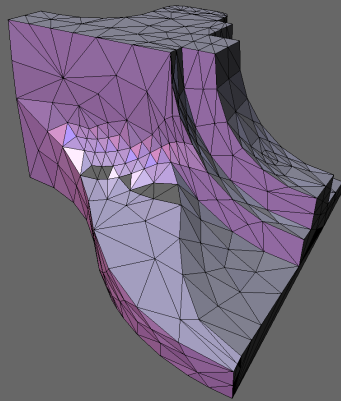
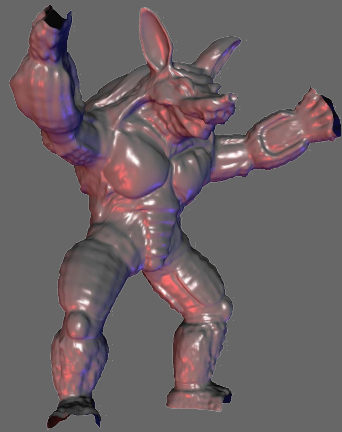


MULTI-RES MODELING GROUP

GEOMETRIC MODELING

Surface representations

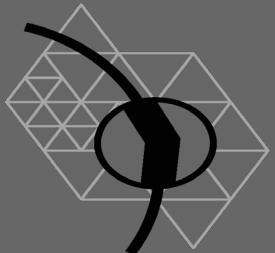
- large class of surfaces
- interactive manipulation/display
- numerical modeling tasks



REPRESENTATIONS

Desirable properties

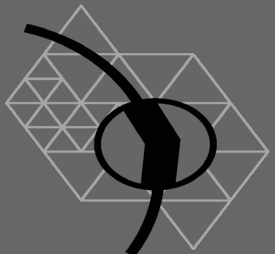
- compatible with hardware and existing representations
- scalable: large data on small machines
- solid mathematical foundation
- suitable for animation and simulation



REPRESENTATIONS

General philosophy

- same core representation for multiple purposes
 - transmission
 - rendering
 - simulation
 - editing



MULTIRESOLUTION

What does it offer?

- good editing semantics
- deep connection with wavelets
 - compression, solvers, speed/accuracy tradeoff, approximation properties
- builtin support for LOD display
- very efficient



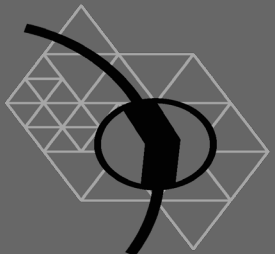
SPLINED SURFACES

Advantages

- high level control (control points)
- compact representation
- multiresolution structure

Disadvantages

- difficult to maintain and manage
- naïve rendering of large models slow



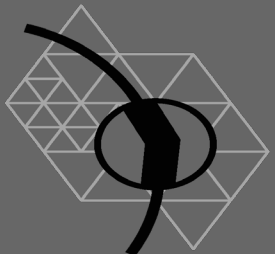
POLYGONAL MESHES

Advantages

- very general
- direct hardware implementation

Disadvantages

- heavy weight representation
- good editing semantics difficult
- limited multiresolution structure



SUBDIVISION SURFACES

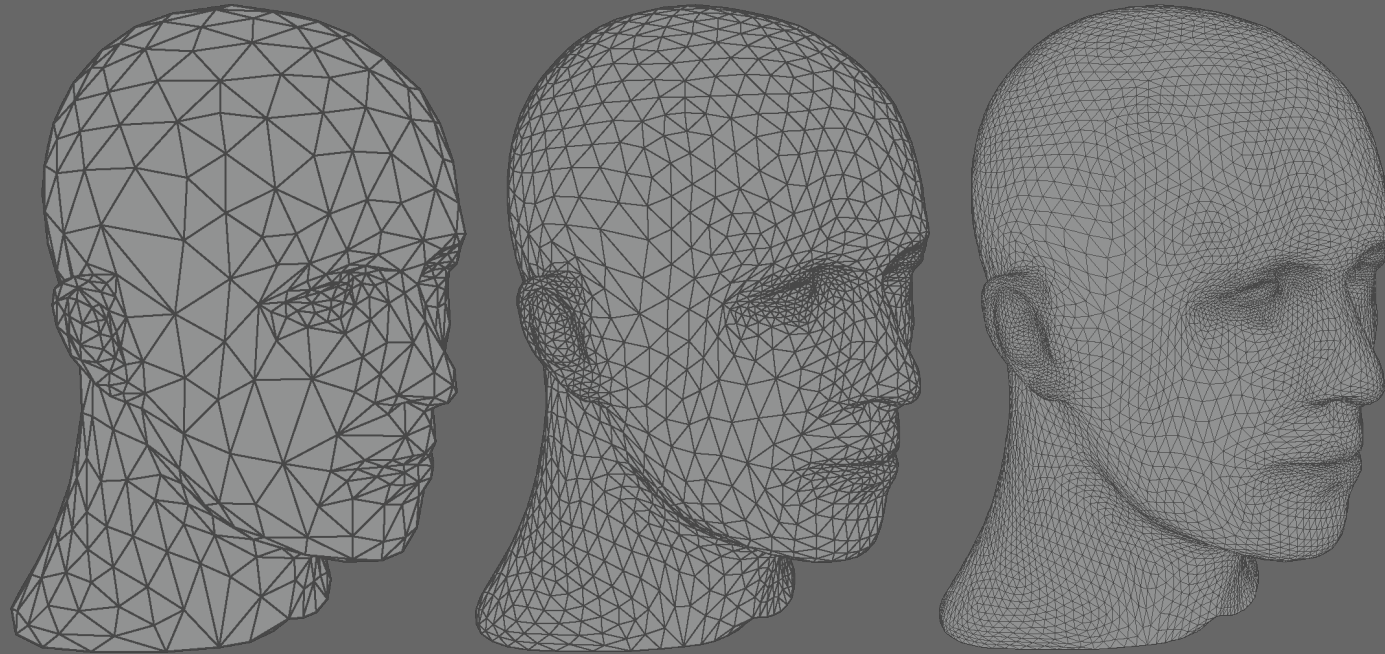
Important modeling primitive

- smooth, arbitrary topology surface modeling
- generalizes spline patches
- covers range of representations from “pure” spline patches to “pure” meshes
 - BUT: special connectivity (more on that later)



SUBDIVISION

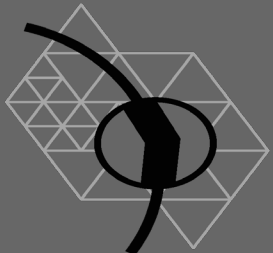
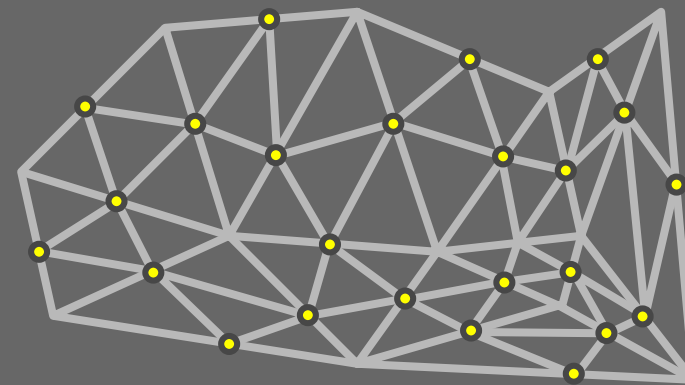
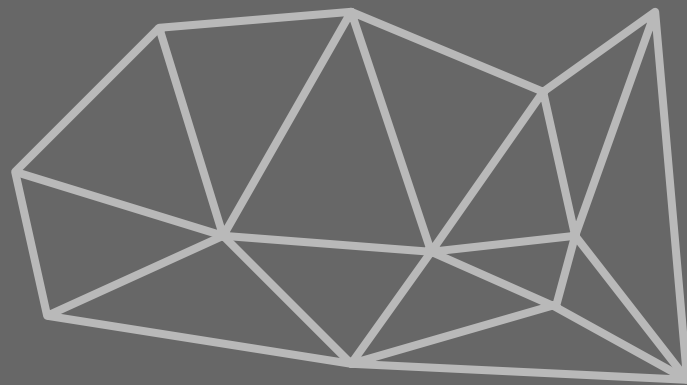
Smooth surfaces as the limit of a
sequence of successive refinements



SUBDIVISION

Topological rule

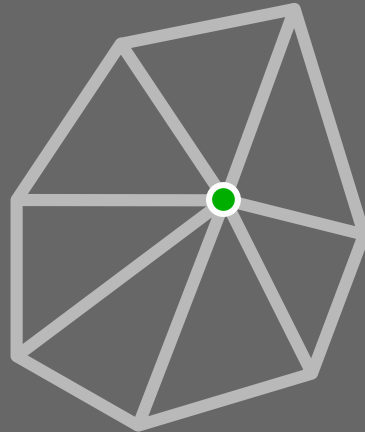
- refinement of abstract simplicial complex
- refine a triangular graph



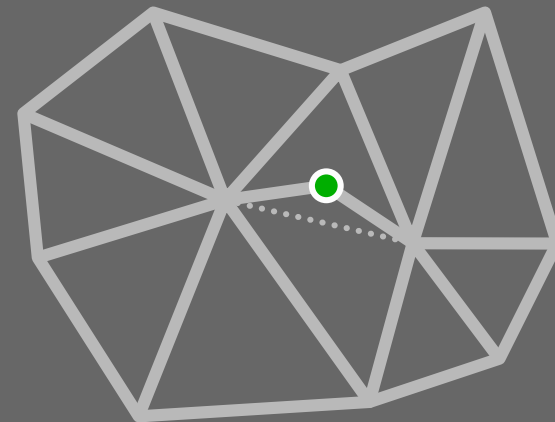
SUBDIVISION

Geometric rule

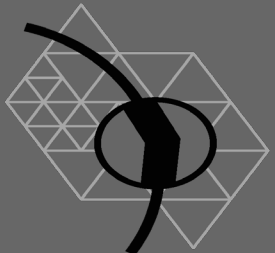
- geometry is a map defined on graph
- extension rule



even at level i



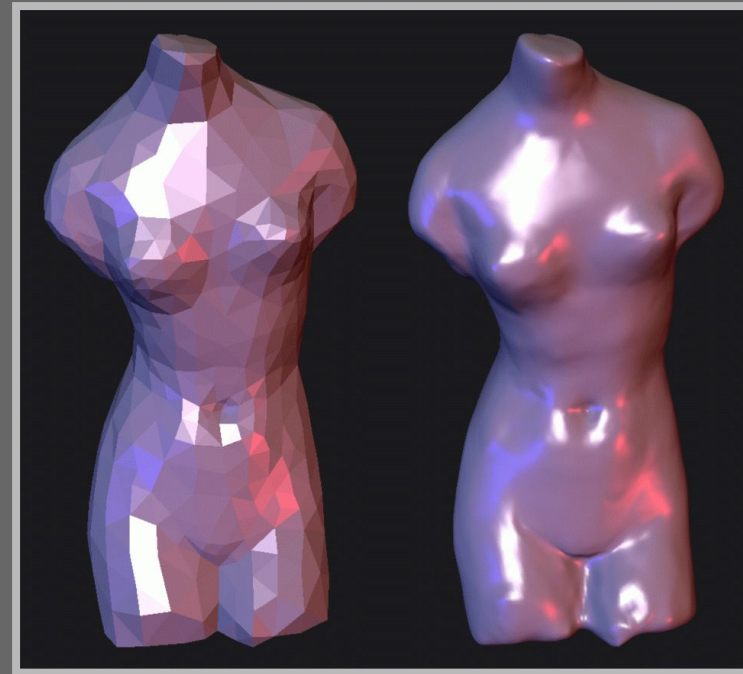
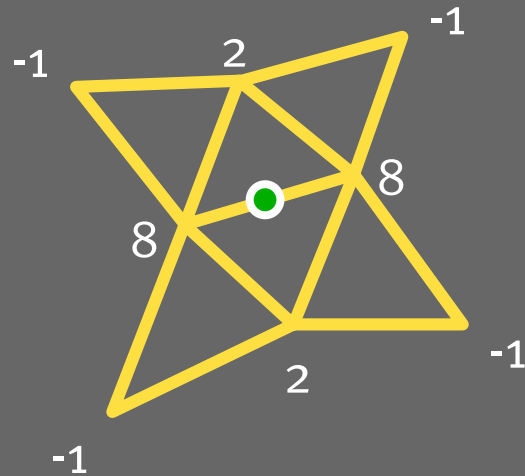
odd at level i



INTERPOLATING

Keep old points, insert new ones

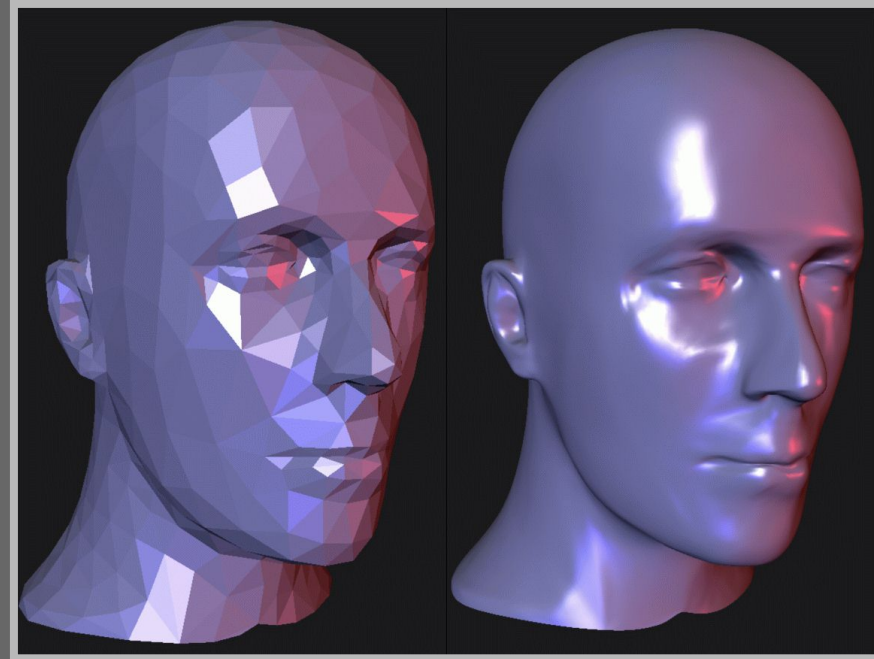
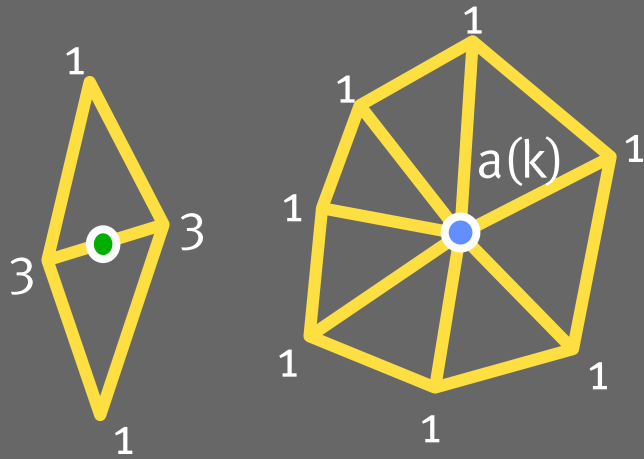
- affine combination of nearby points



APPROXIMATING

Insert new, smooth **new** and **old**

- generalizes spline patches



SUBDIVISION

Established schemes

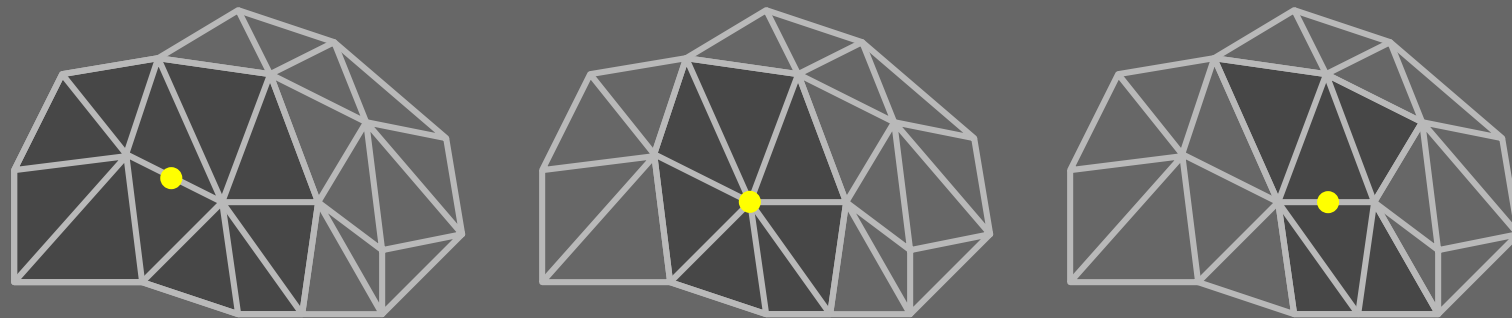
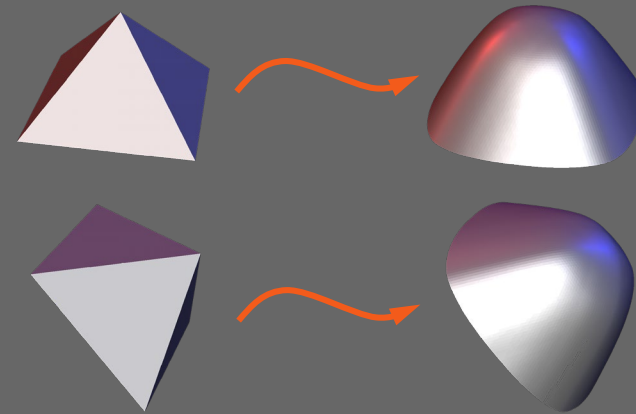
- Catmull-Clark
 - generalizes bi-cubic patches
- Loop
 - generalizes quartic box splines
- many others:
 - Doo-Sabin, Butterfly, Kobbelt, Peters/Reif



SUBDIVISION

Properties

- affine invariance
- local definition
- compact support



WHY SUBDIVISION?

Advantages

- arbitrary topology, smooth surfaces
- support for compression and LOD
- suitable for wavelet-based numerical solvers

Scalability

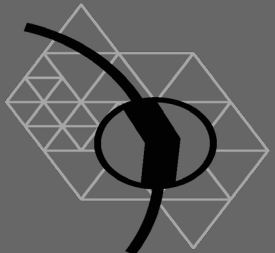
- large datasets on small machines



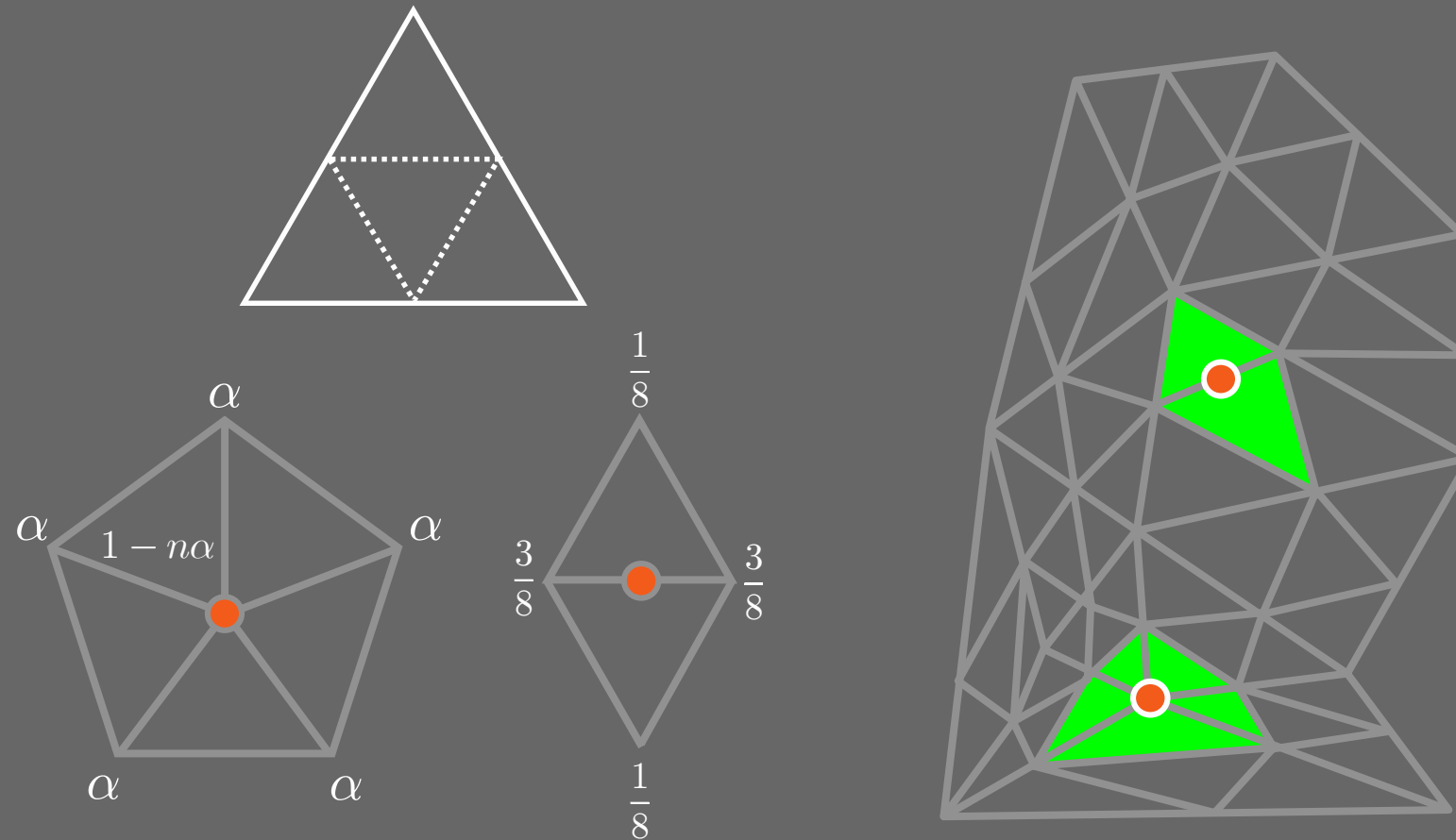
ALGORITHMS

Properties

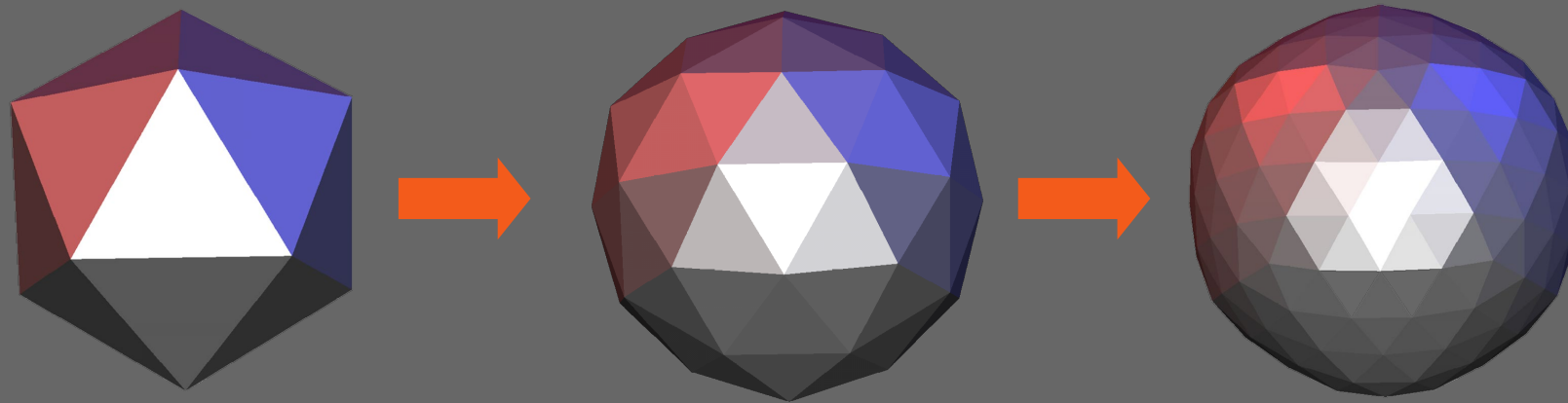
- exact evaluation
 - value, tangent planes, derivatives
 - moments
- little computation
- simple data structures
- integrates well with spline methods



EXAMPLE: LOOP SCHEME



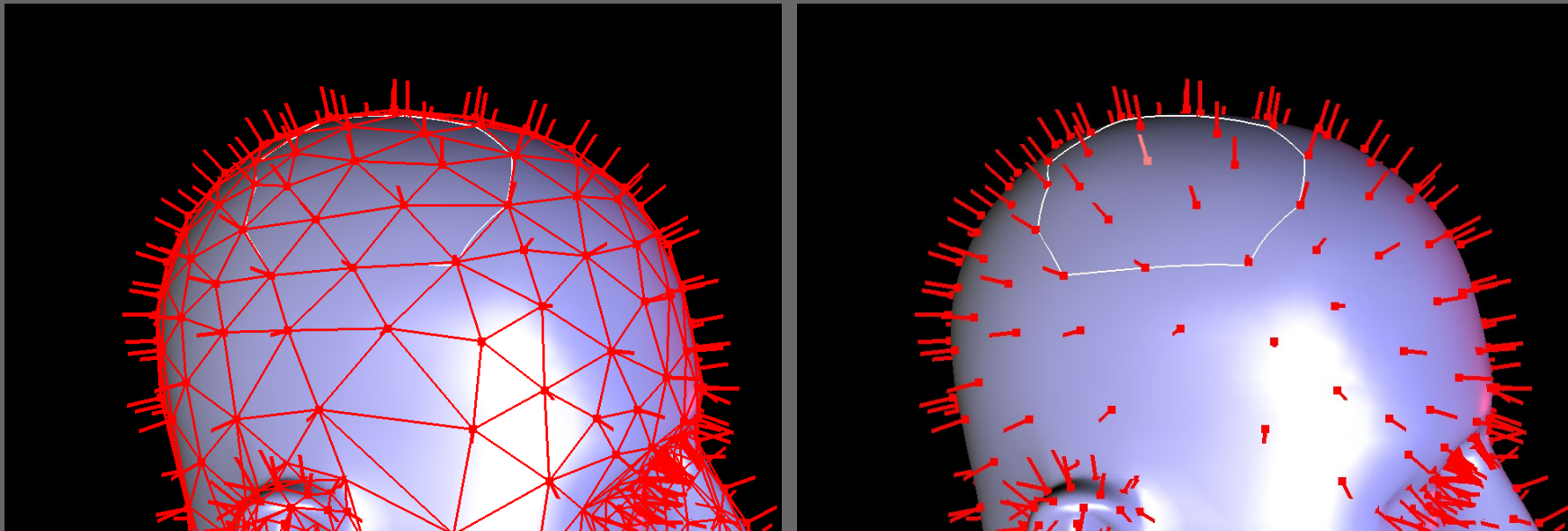
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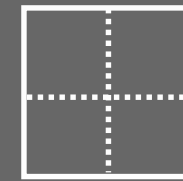
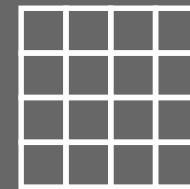
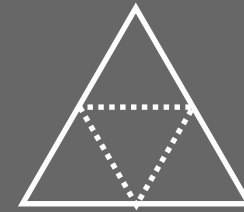
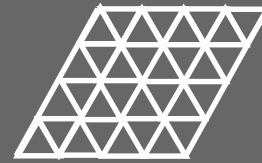
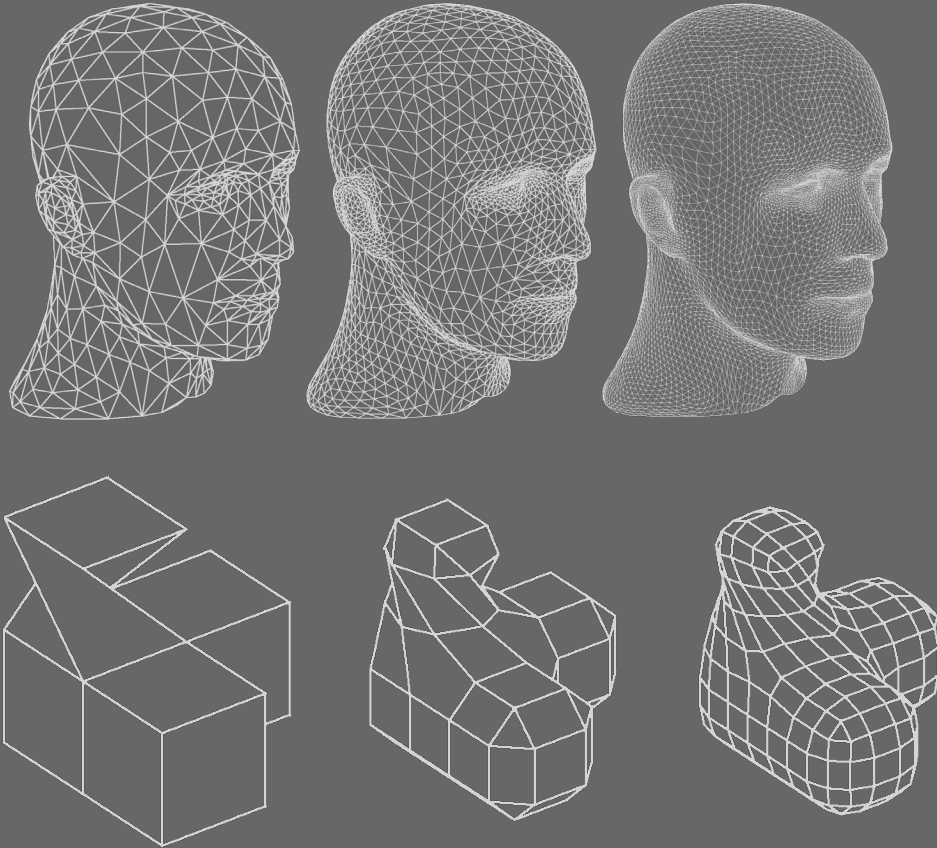
- For a “good” scheme, recursive application approximates a smooth surface

CONTROL POINTS

- vertices of the initial mesh define the surface
- each vertex influences a finite part of the surface

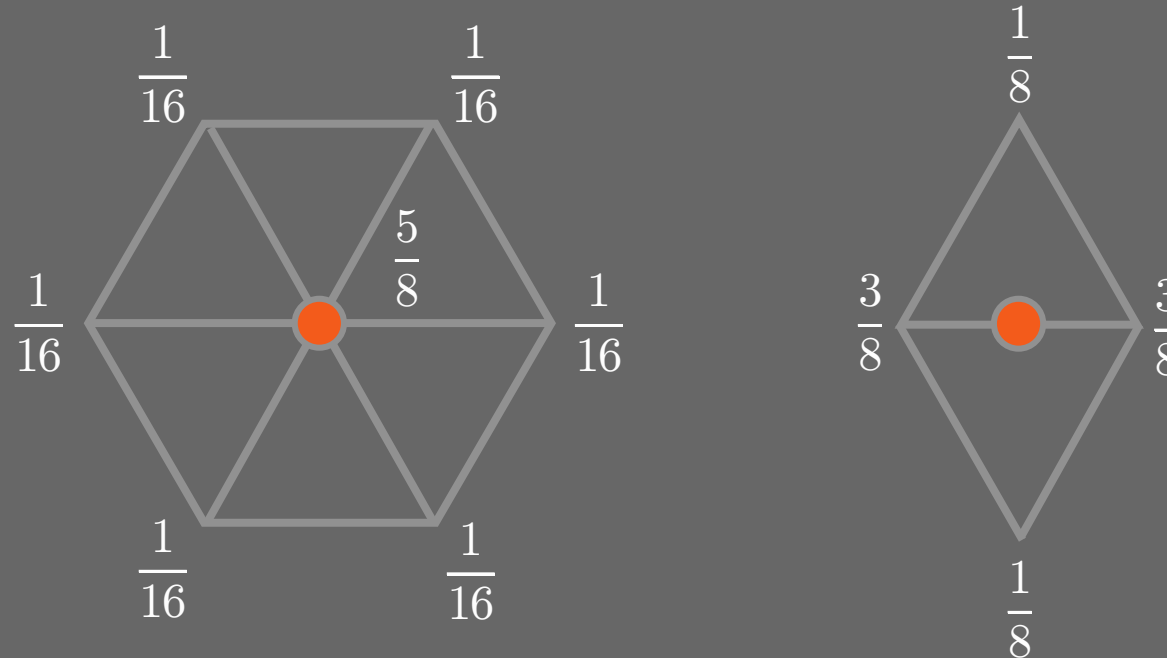


TRIANGULAR AND QUADRILATERAL SUBDIVISION



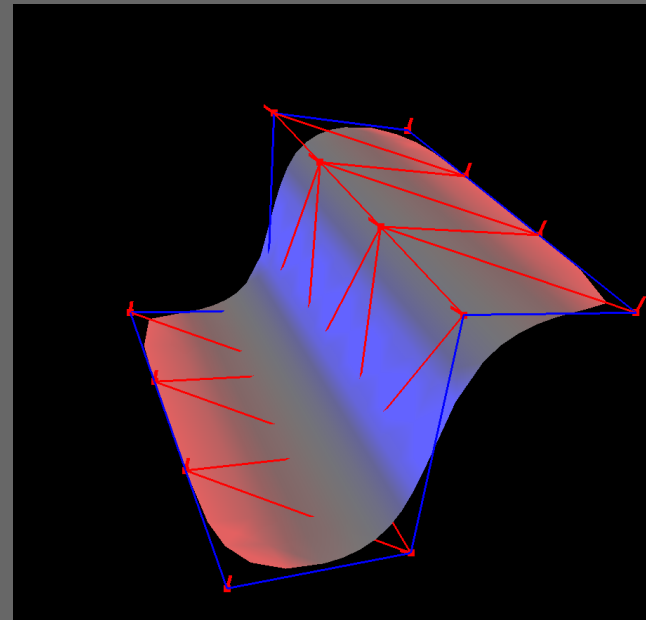
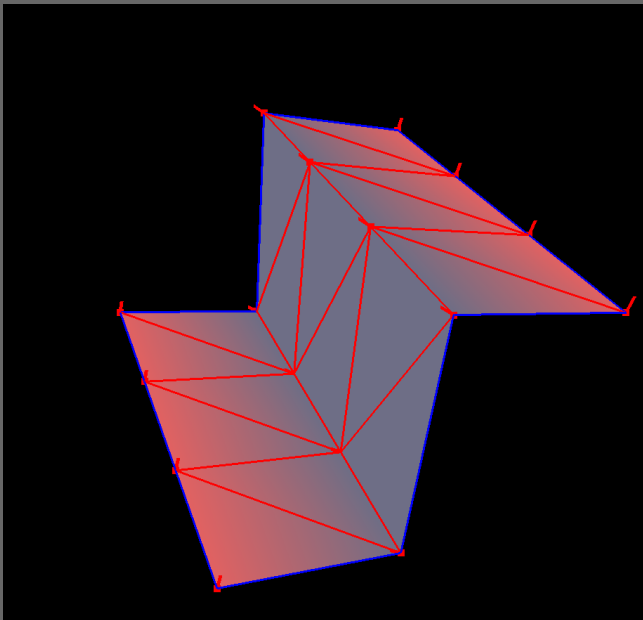
SUBDIVISION AND SPLINES

- uniform splines can be computed using subdivision rules
- triangular spline



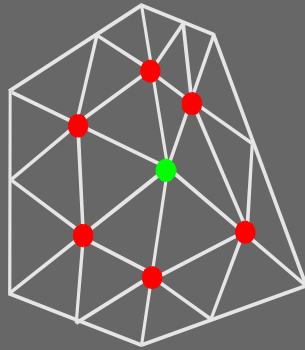
SUBDIVISION AND SPLINES

- For splines, the control mesh is regular

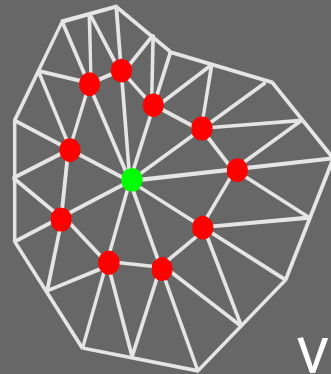


EXTRAORDINARY VERTICES

Triangular meshes



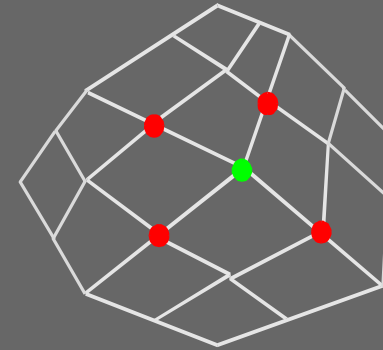
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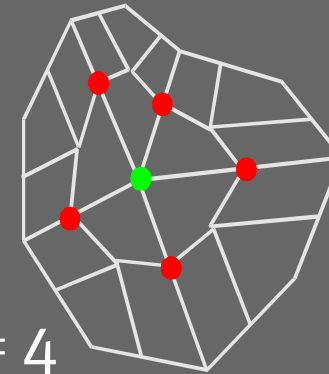
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regular

Quad meshes



valence 4



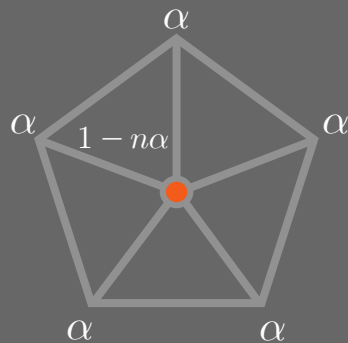
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extraordinary

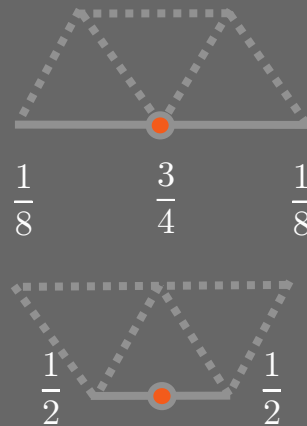
CONSTRUCTING THE RULES

- Start with spline rules (or other smooth rules)
- Define rules for:

Extraordinary vertices



Boundaries

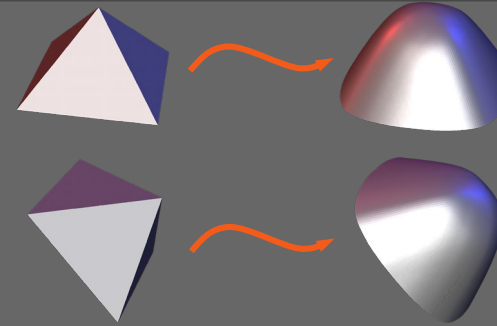


Creases etc.

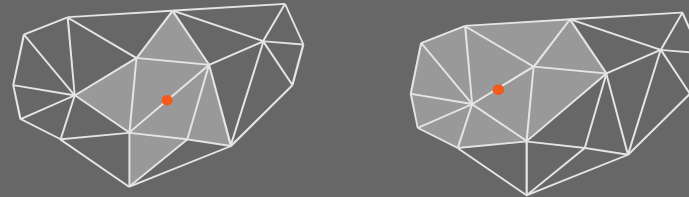


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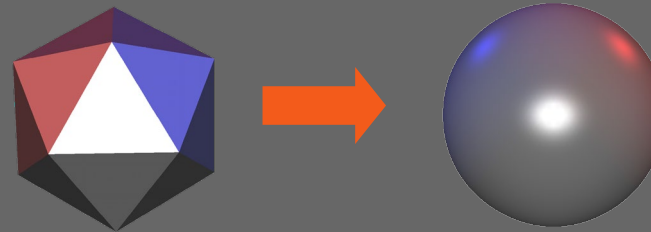
- Invariance under rotations and translations



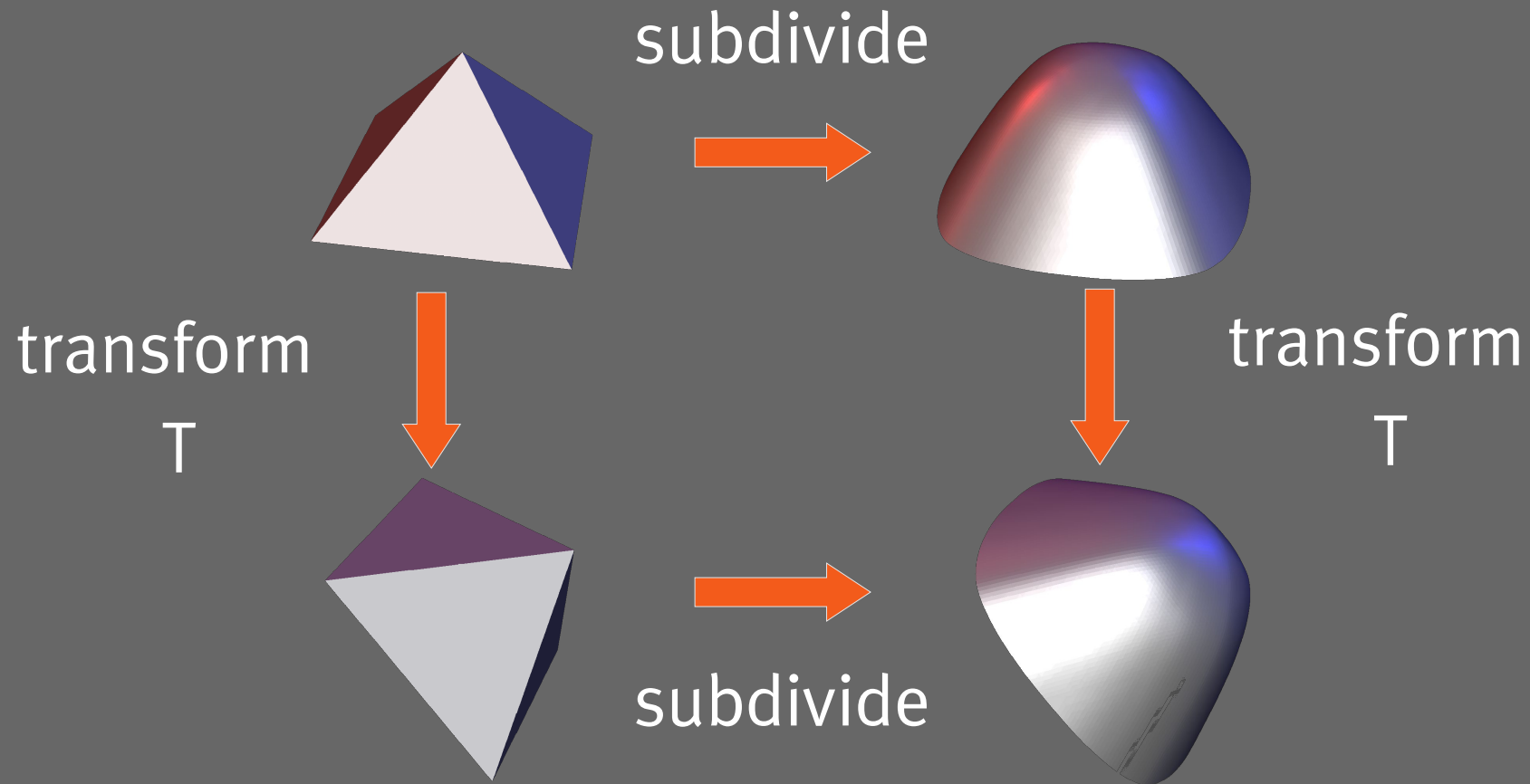
- Small support



- Smoothness and Fairness

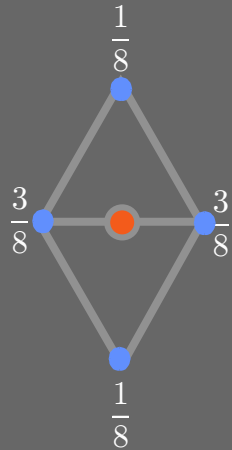
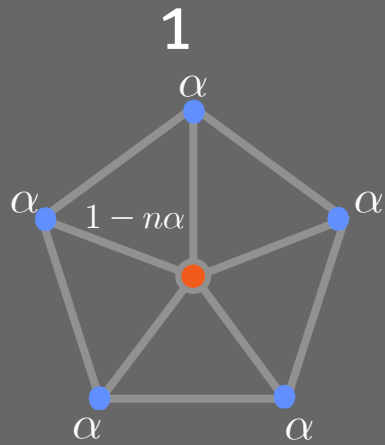


AFFINE INVARIANCE



AFFINE INVARIANCE

- the coefficients of any mask should sum up to



$$p = \sum a_i p_i$$

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displacement

$$\sum a_i (p_i + t) = \underbrace{\left(\sum a_i \right)}_1 t + p$$

SUBDIVISION ZOO

SUBDIVISION FOR MODELING AND ANIMATION

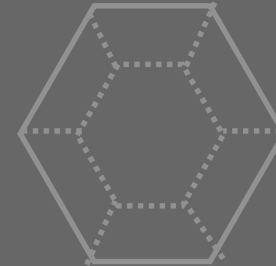
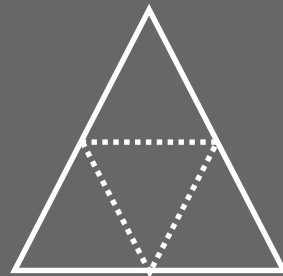
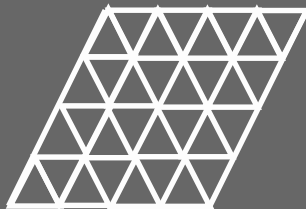
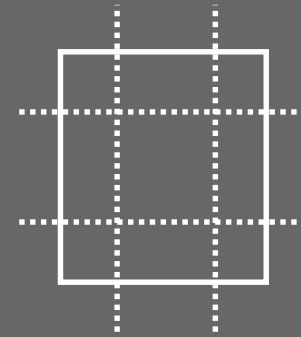
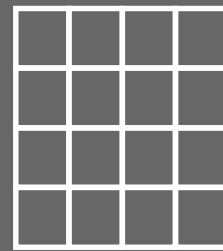
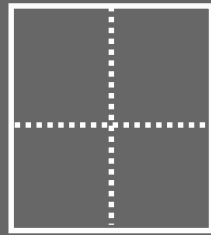
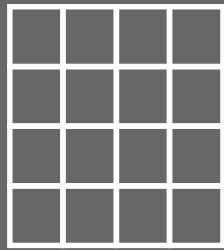
CLASSIFICATION OF SCHEMES

Classification criteria

- type of refinement rule (primal or dual)
- type of mesh (triangular or quad or...)
- approximating or interpolating

REFINEMENT RULES

■ Primal (vertex insertion) ■ Dual (corner cutting)



APPROXIMATION AND INTERPOLATION

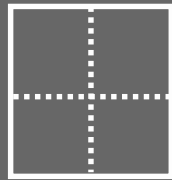
Advantages

- approximating schemes
 - based on splines, small support
- interpolating schemes
 - control points on surface
 - in-place implementation

SUBDIVISION SCHEMES

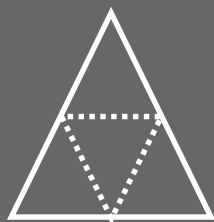
■ Primal (vertex insertion)

Approximating Interpolating



Catmull-Clark

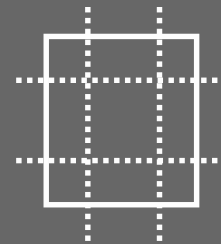
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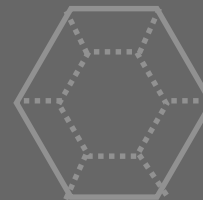
Loop

Butterfly

■ Dual (corner cutting)



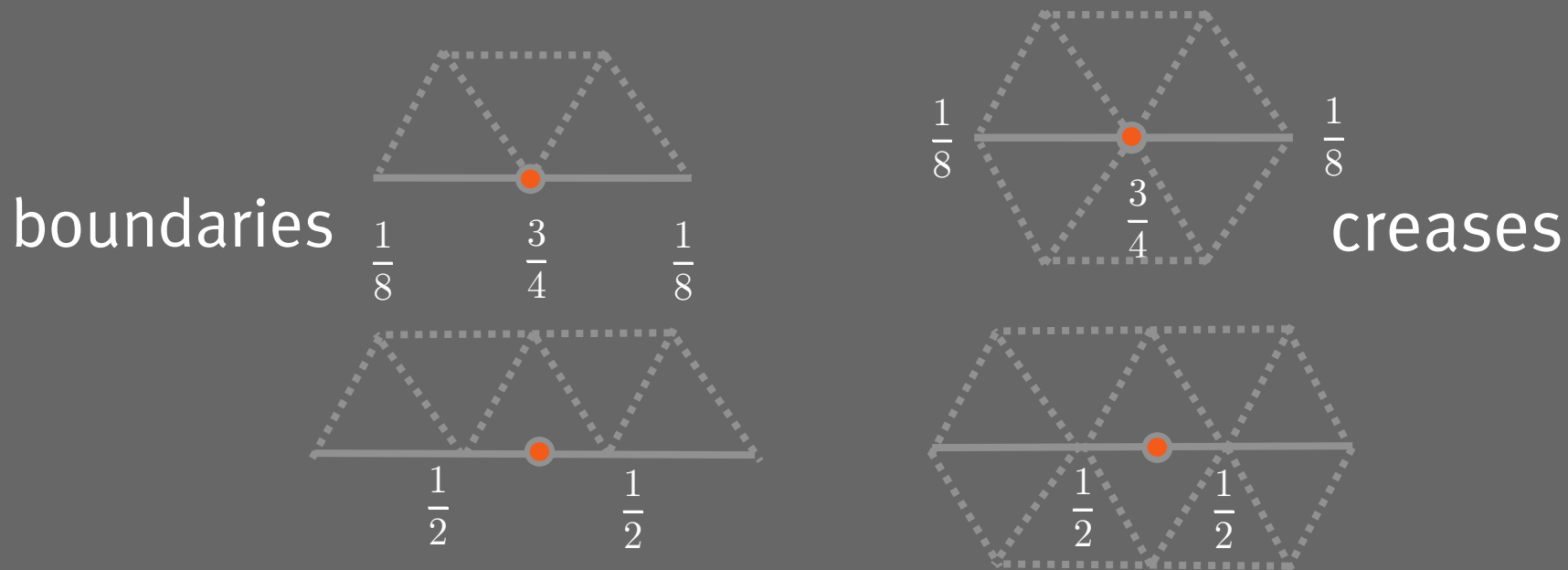
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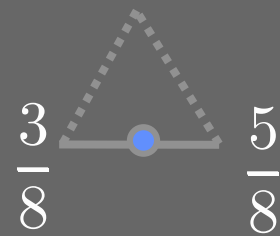
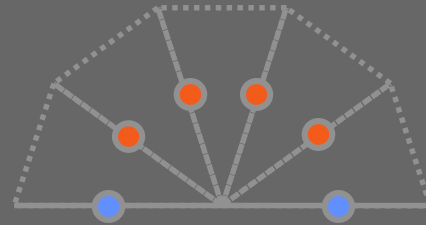
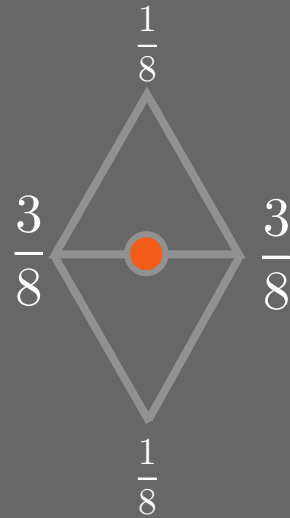
BOUNDARIES AND CREASES

- special rules on and near the boundary
- boundary independent of the interior

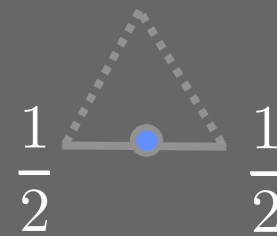
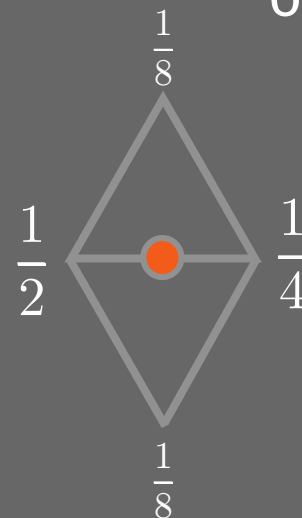


LOOP SCHEME, BOUNDARIES AND CREASES

Hoppe et al



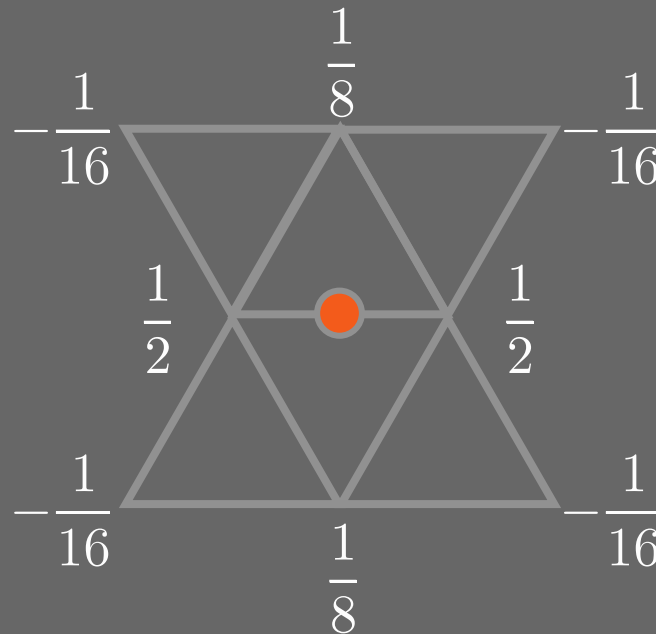
our rules



MODIFIED BUTTERFLY SCHEME

- triangular meshes, interpolating: only one rule
- needs larger support

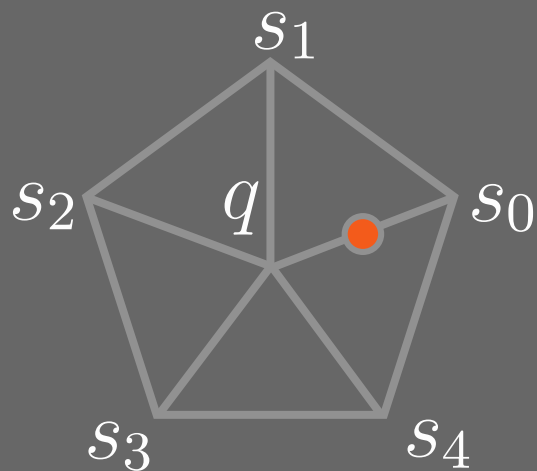
regular mask



MODIFIED BUTTERFLY SCHEME

extraordinary vertices

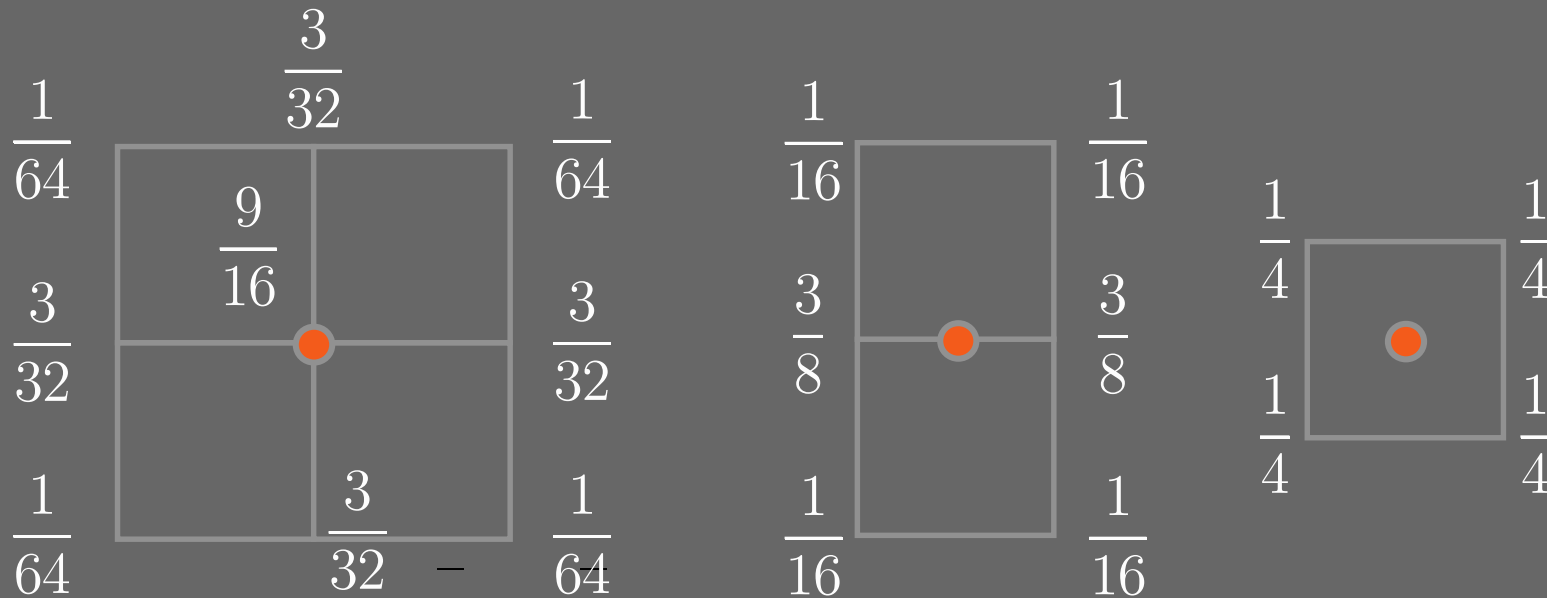
- coefficients derived to ensure good eigenvalues and eigenvectors



$$s_j = \frac{1}{K} \left(\frac{1}{4} + \cos \frac{2j\pi}{K} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \frac{4j\pi}{K} \right)$$
$$K > 4$$

CATMULL-CLARK SCHEME

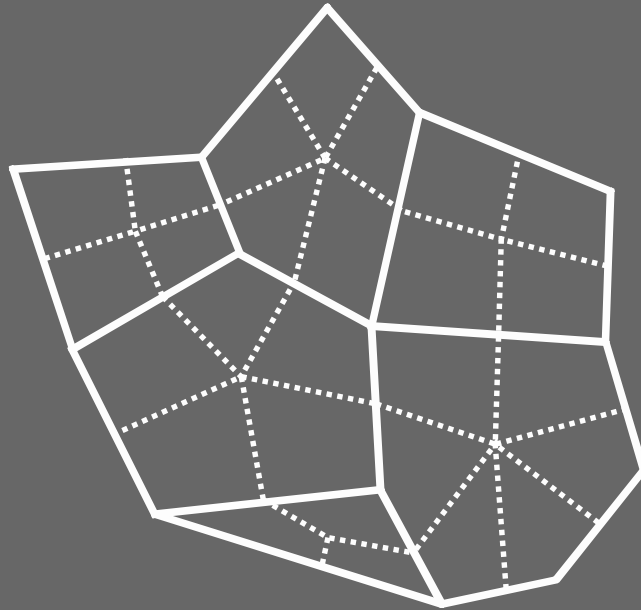
- quadrilateral, approximating
- tensor-product bicubic splines



CATMULL-CLARK SCHEME

Reduction to a quadrilateral mesh

- do one step of subdivision with special rules; all polygons become quads

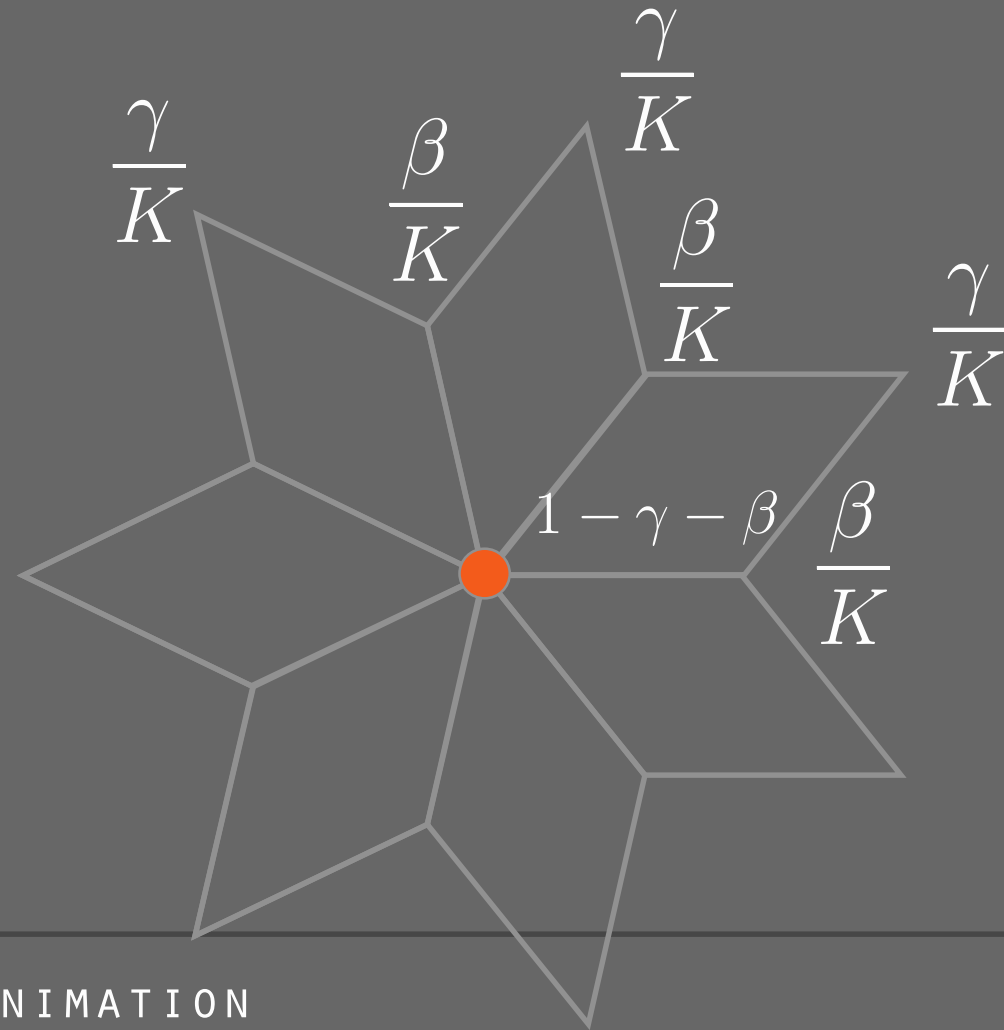


CATMULL-CLARK SCHEME

Extraordinary vertices

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{4K}$$

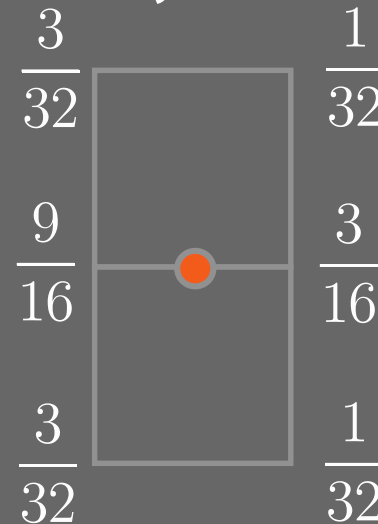
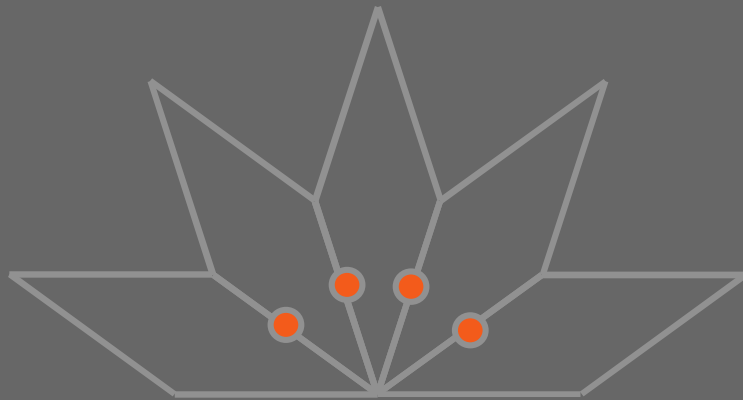
$$\beta = \frac{3}{2K}$$



CATMULL-CLARK SCHEME

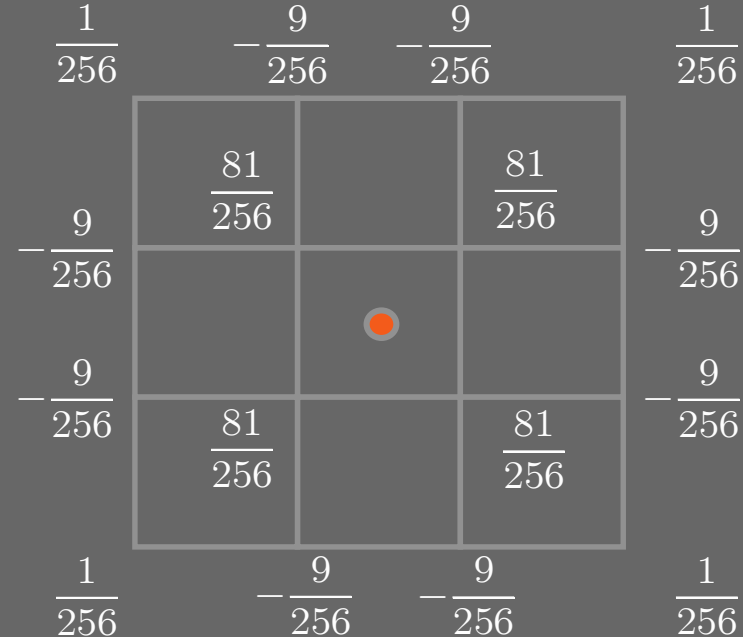
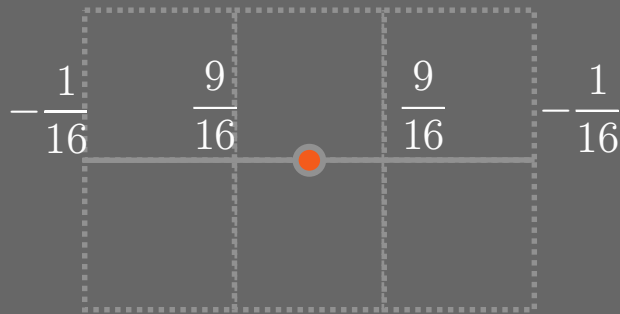
boundaries and creases

- cubic spline (same as Loop!)
- need to fix rules for C1-continuity



KOBBELT SCHEME

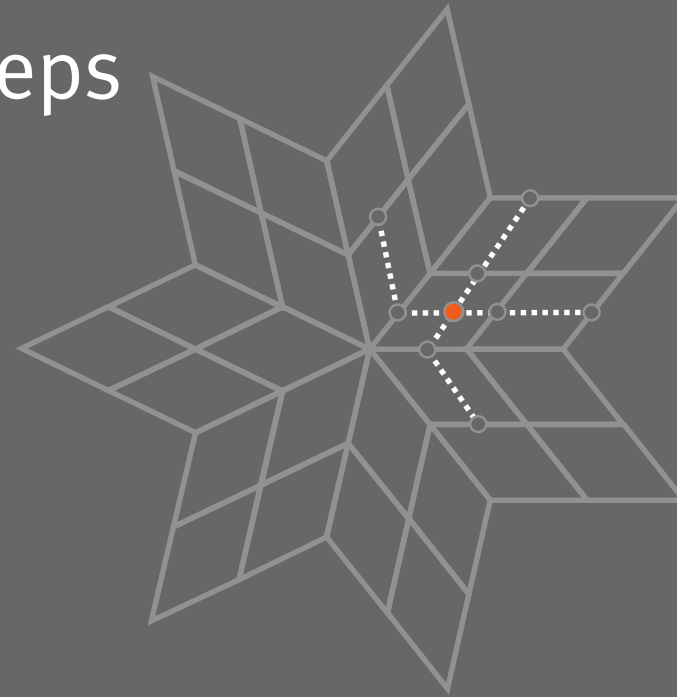
- quadrilateral, interpolating
- tensor product 4-point scheme



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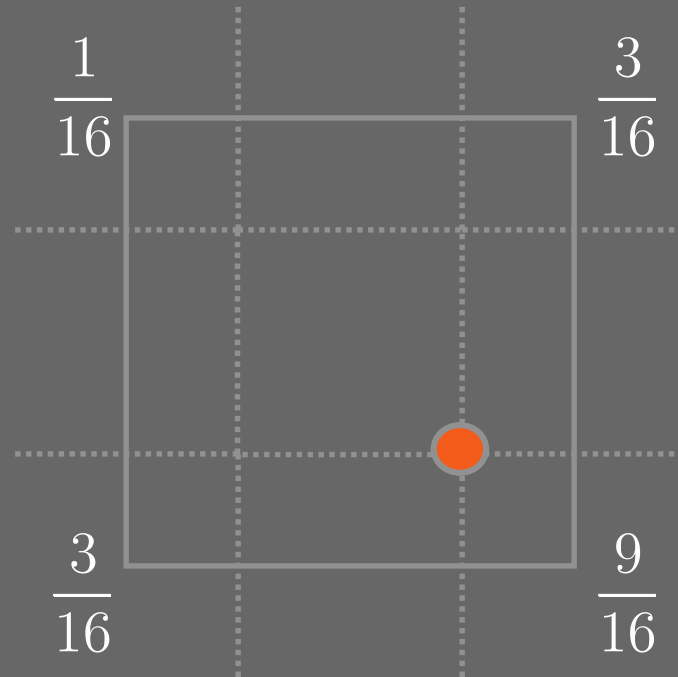
extraordinary vertices

- computation in two steps
 - edge vertices
 - face vertices
- two ways to compute
- results are the same



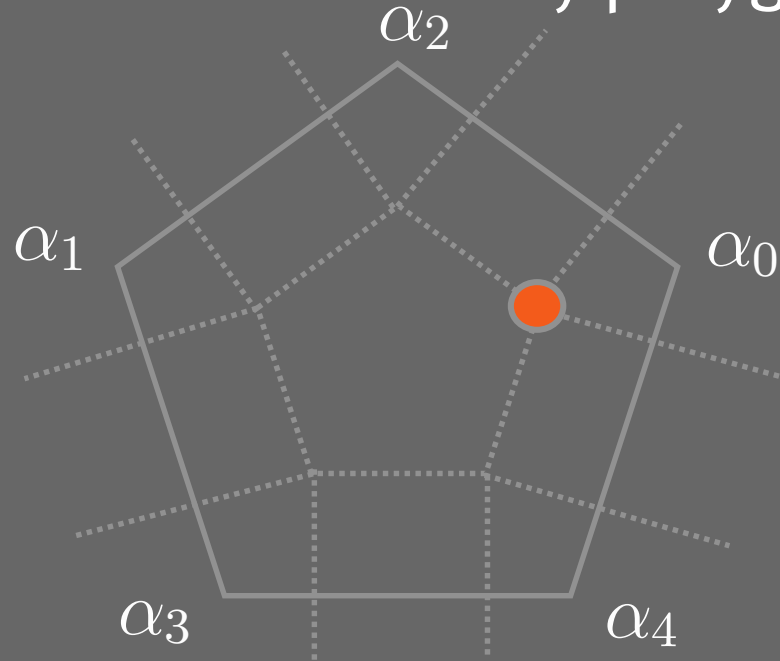
DOO-SABIN SCHEME

- dual scheme, quadrilateral
- extends tensor-product biquadratic splines



DOO-SABIN SCHEME

- after one step, all valences = 4
- rule for extraordinary polygons:



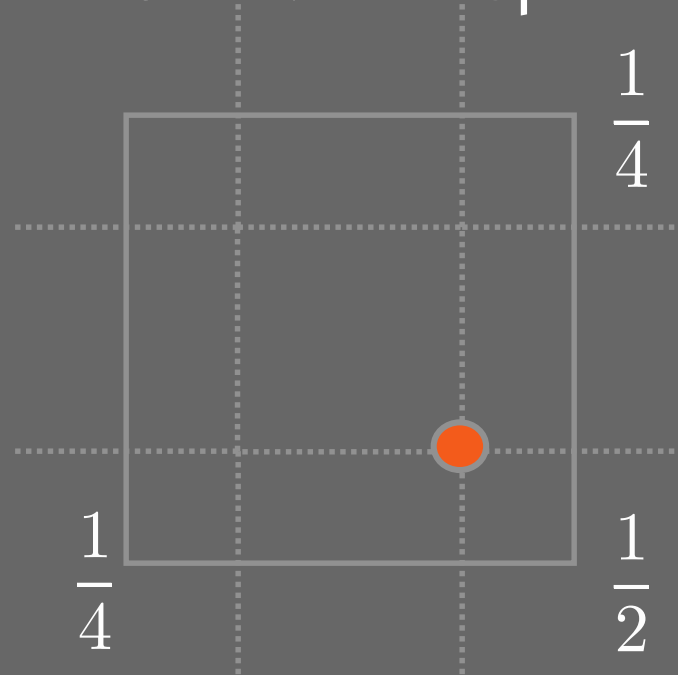
$$\alpha_0 = \frac{1 + 5K}{4}$$

for $i = 1 \dots K - 1$

$$\alpha_i = \frac{1}{K} \left(3 + 2 \cos \frac{2i\pi}{K} \right)$$

MIDEDGE SCHEME

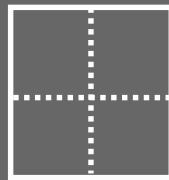
- dual scheme, quadrilateral
- extends 4-directional box spline



SUMMARY

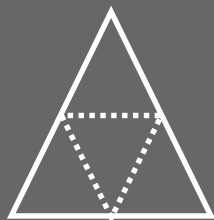
■ Primal (vertex insertion)

Approximating Interpolating



Catmull-Clark

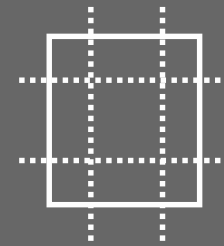
Kobbelt



Loop

Butterfly

■ Dual (corner cutting)



Doo-Sabin,
Midedge

LIMITATIONS OF SUBDIVISION

- no C2 with small support
- decrease of smoothness with valence
- ripples
- no direct control of fairness

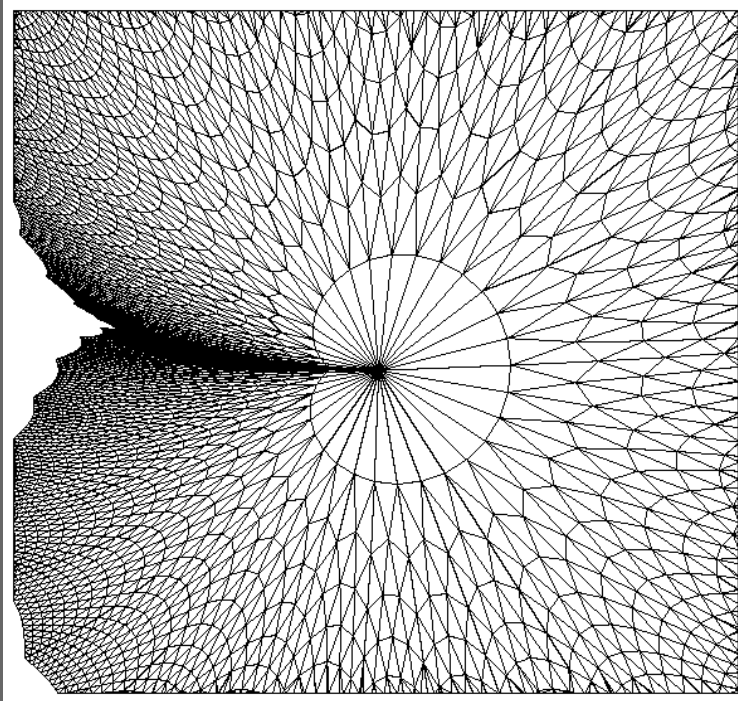
LIMITATIONS OF STATIONARY SUBDIVISION

Problems with curvature continuity

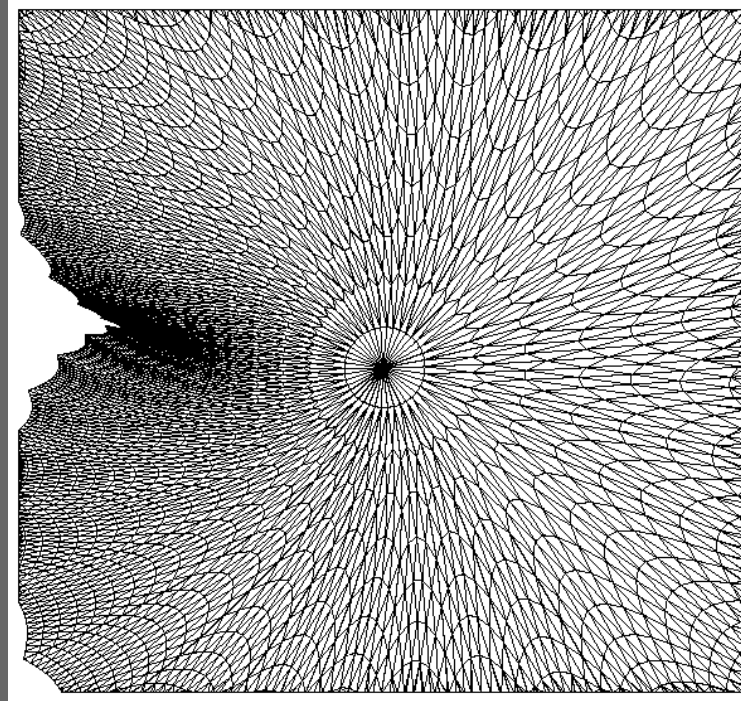
- the only practical C_2 schemes (Umlauf) have “flat spots” at extraordinary vertices
- “true” C_2 has to have very large support
- lack of C_2 -continuity = nonsmooth normal changes
- visible for high valences

LIMITATIONS OF SUBDIVISION

- decrease of smoothness with valence; possible to fix



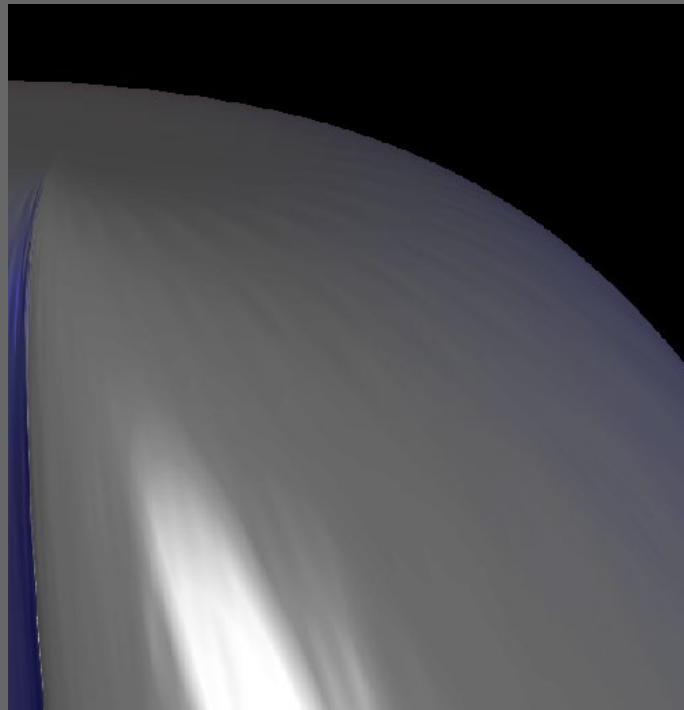
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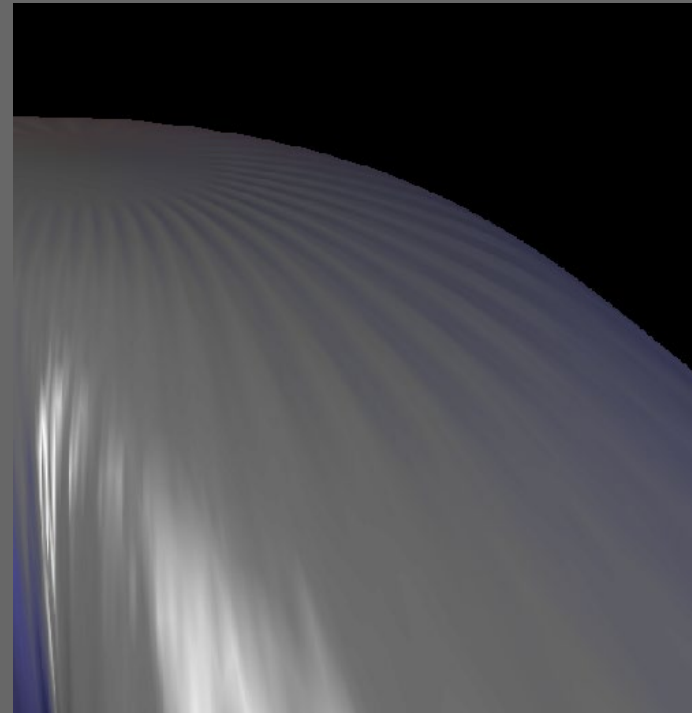
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LIMITATIONS OF SUBDIVISION

■ Ripples



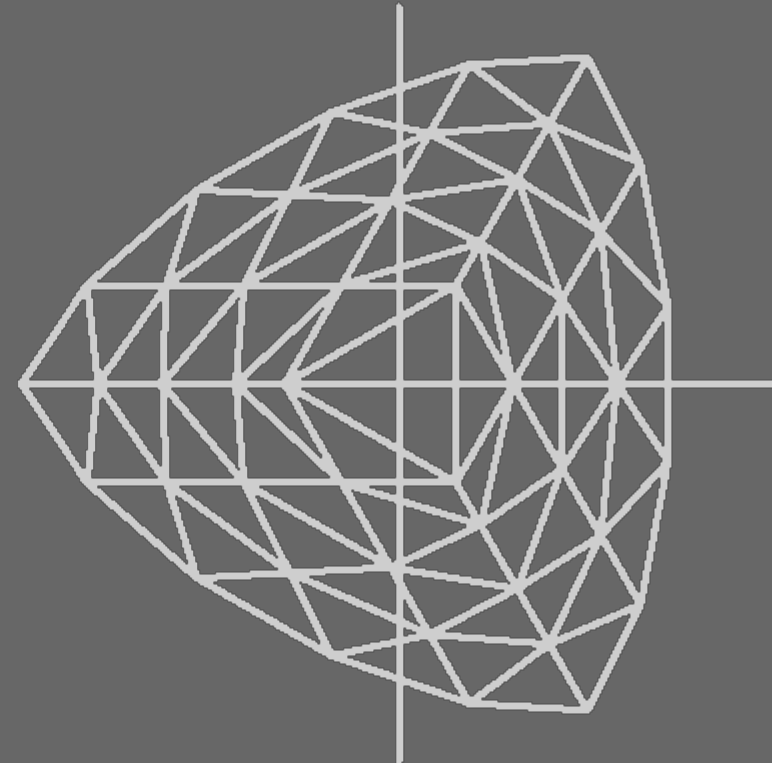
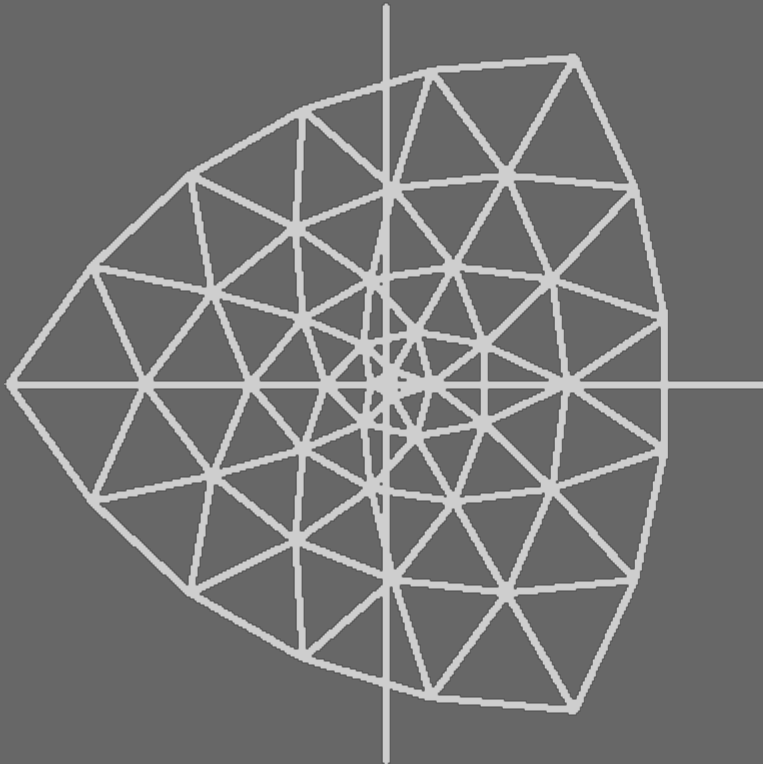
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Modified Loop

LIMITATIONS OF SUBDIVISION

- Uneven structure of the mesh



EXTENSIONS

Umlauf

- nonstationary; C_2 surfaces; small size of flat spot

Sederberg et al

- allows one to integrate NURBS with subdivision

Variational subdivision: Kobbelt, Warren

- slower, more complex; higher quality surfaces