

A Constrained Resampling Strategy for Mesh Improvement

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Problem Definition

Improving an input mesh in terms of a given
set of quality objectives

*How to translate the
quality objectives*

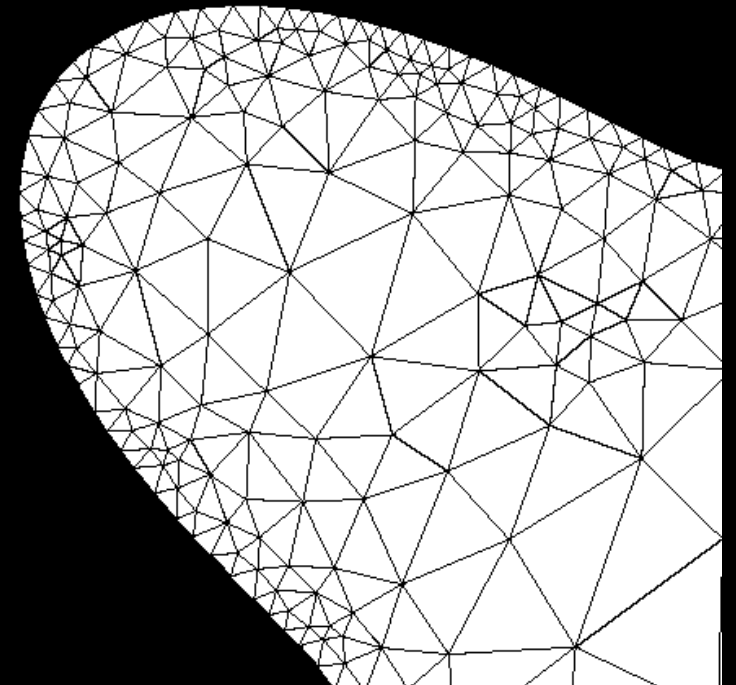
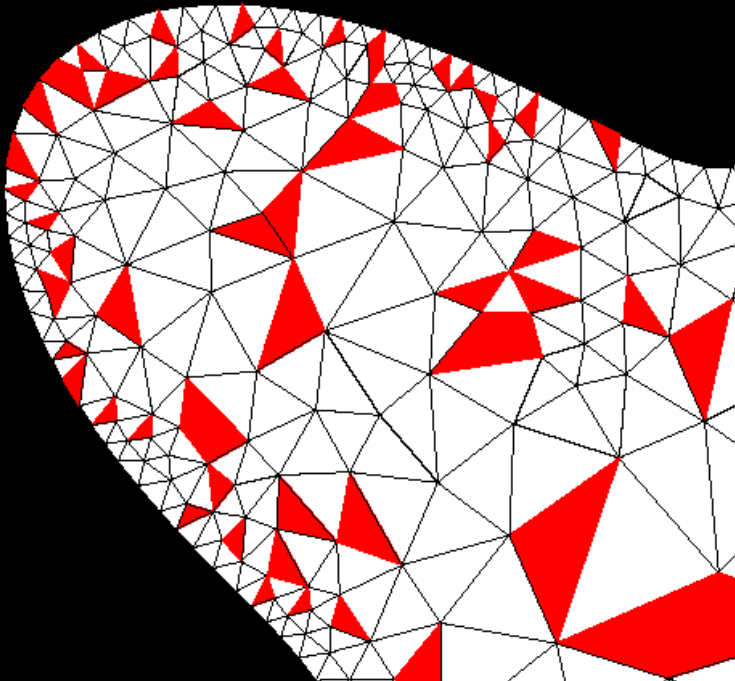
*How to achieve
multiple objectives*

Applications

1- Non-obtuse Triangulation:

Input: obtuse triangular mesh

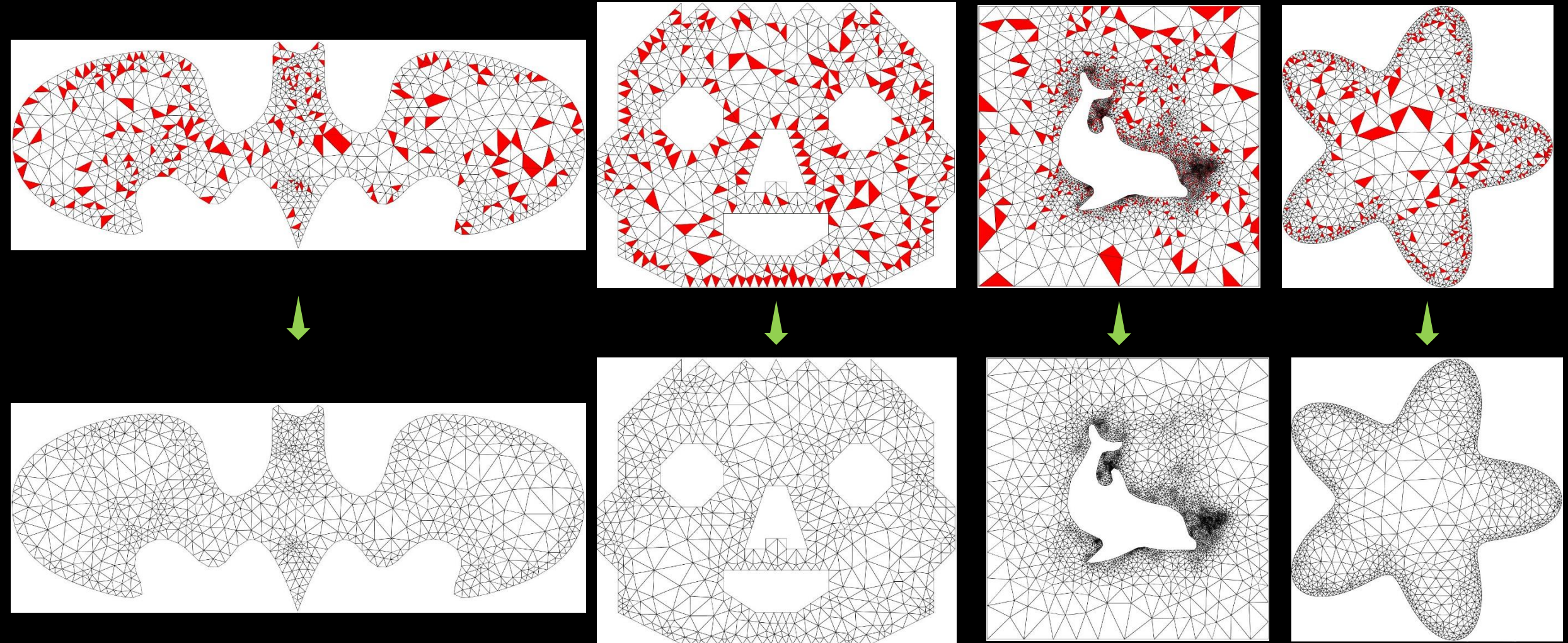
Target: Eliminate all obtuse triangles



Red = obtuse

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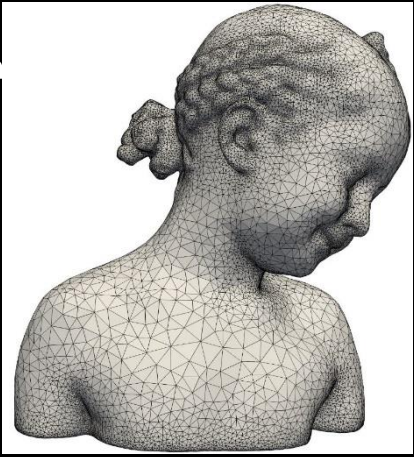
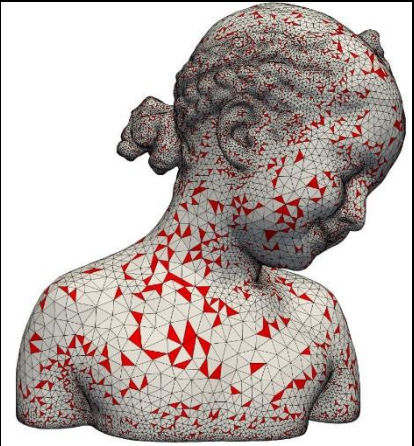
1- Non-obtuse Triangulation (2D)



Applications

1- Non-obtuse Triangulation (CS)

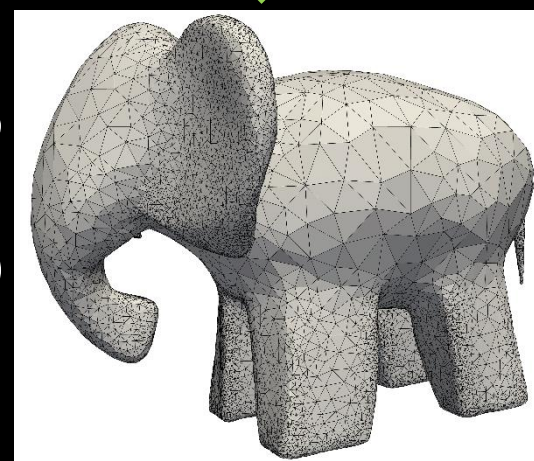
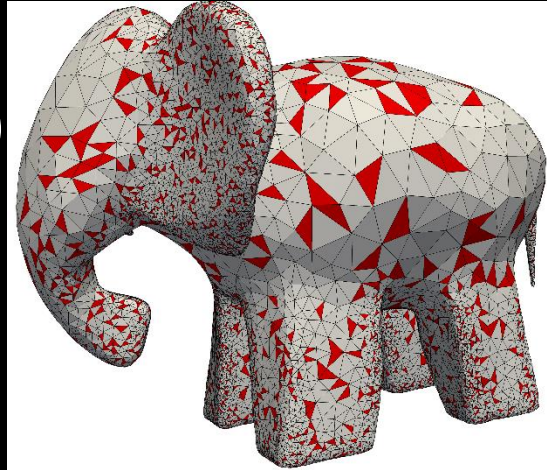
Delaunay Refinement



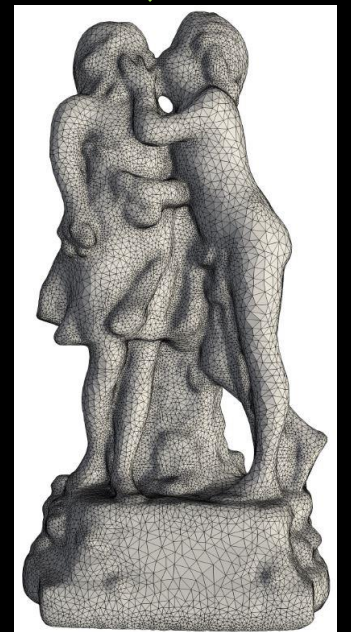
Uniform MPS



Non-uniform MPS



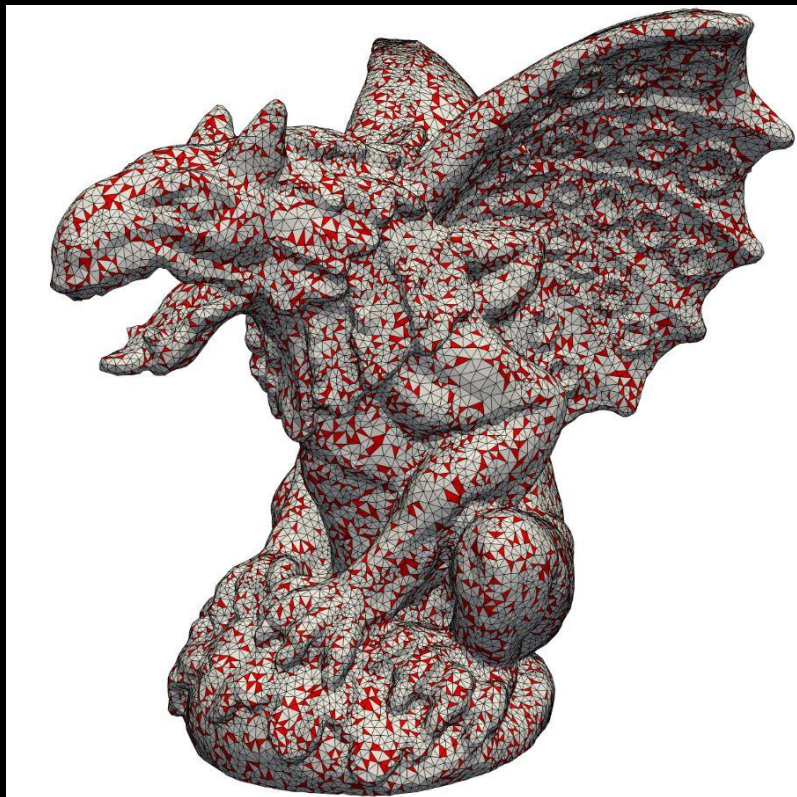
Frontal Delaunay



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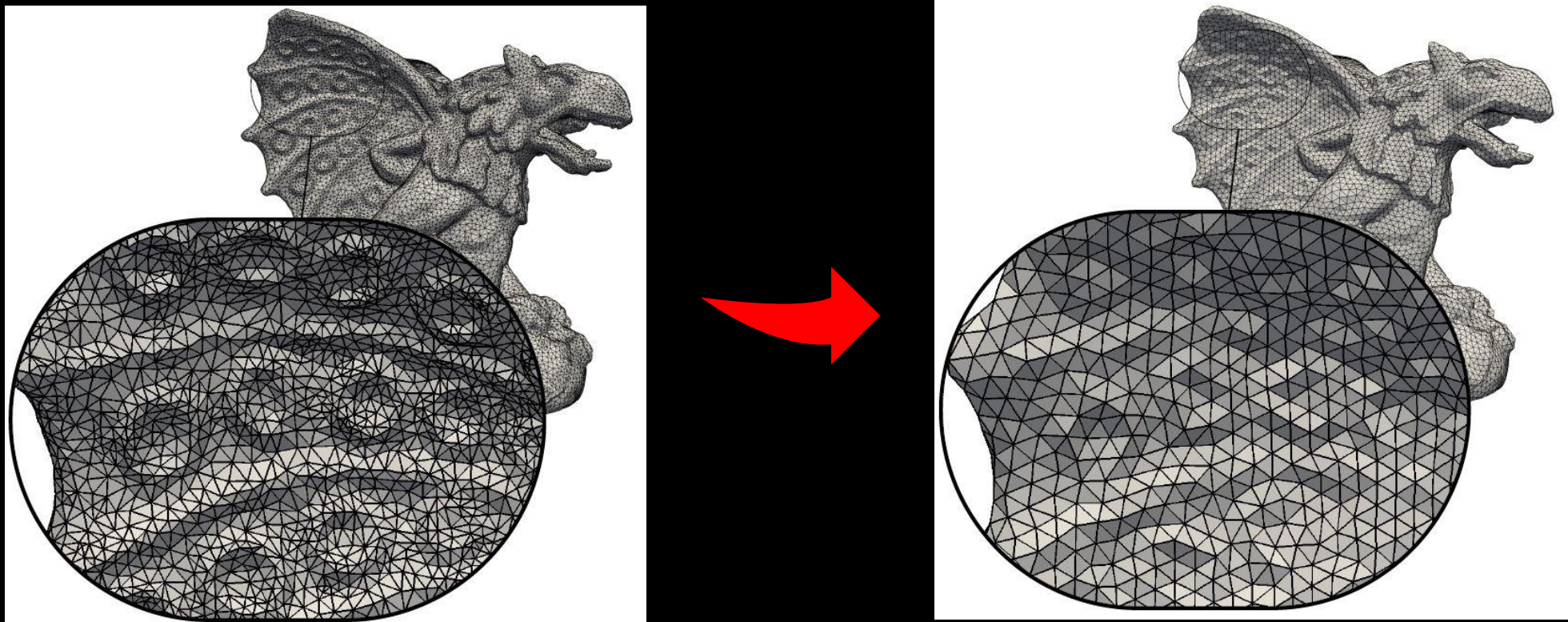
Comparison: “Non-obtuse remeshing with centroidal voronoi tessellation” – *D.M. Yan et al., IEEE TVCG 2016*



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Comparison: “A simple pull-push algorithm for blue-noise sampling” - *AG Ahmed et al., IEEE TVCG 2016*

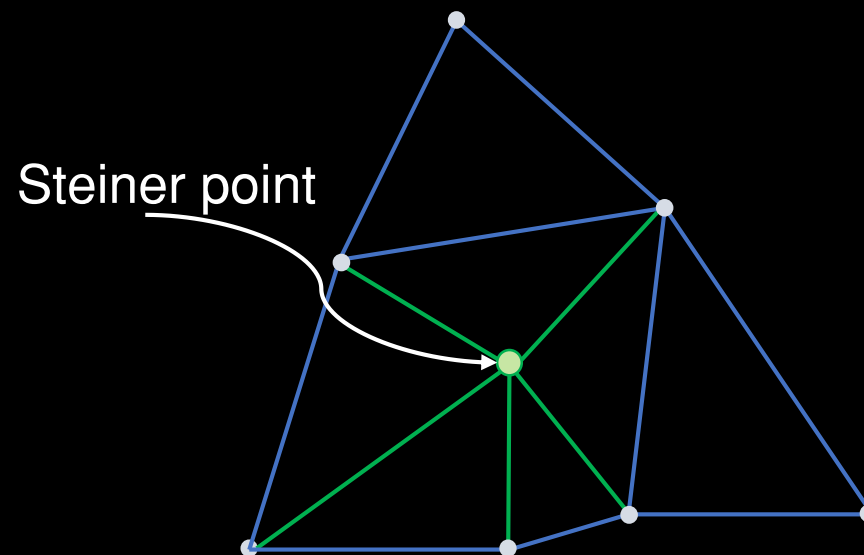
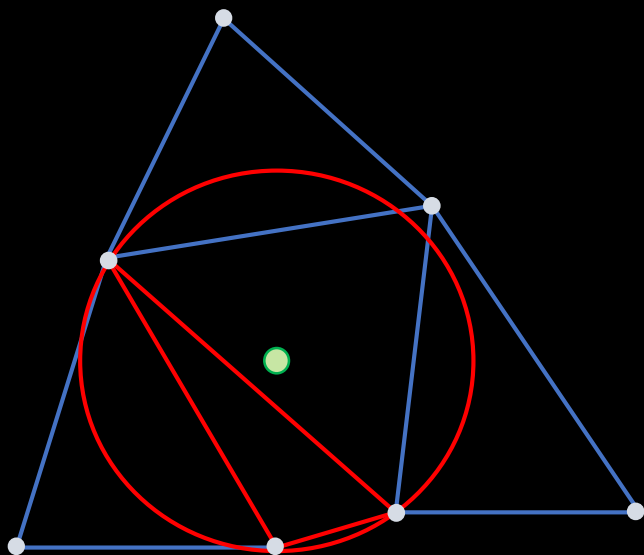


Applications

2- Delaunay Sifting:

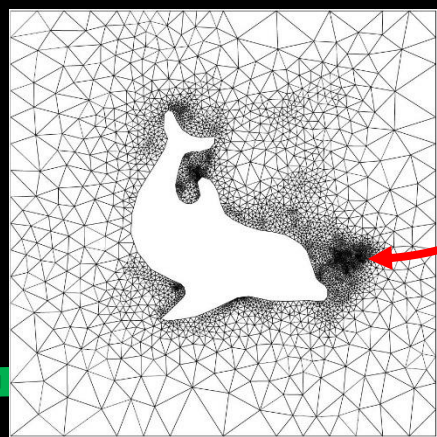
Definition: Reducing the number of Steiner points while preserving the same qualities of the input mesh

Steiner points: Set of vertices inserted in initial Delaunay mesh to improve its quality (minimum angle, triangle area)

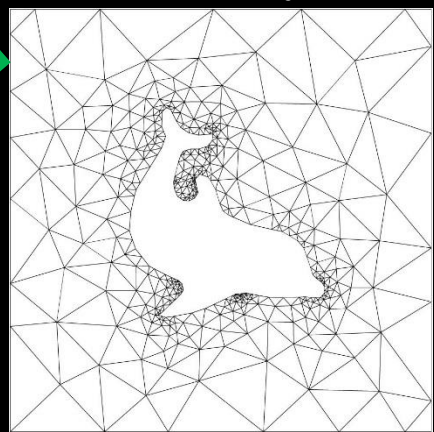


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2- Delaunay Sifting (2D) *Triangle*

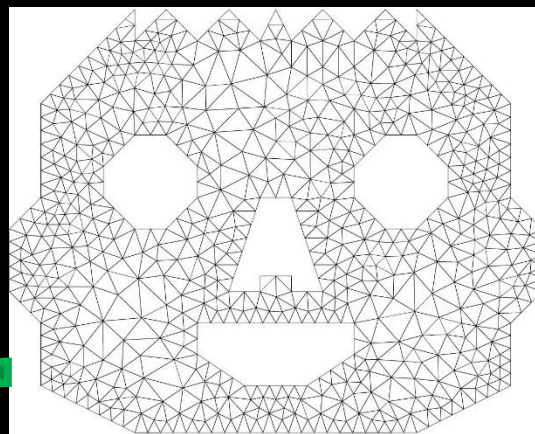


$\theta_{\min} = 35^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 109^\circ$

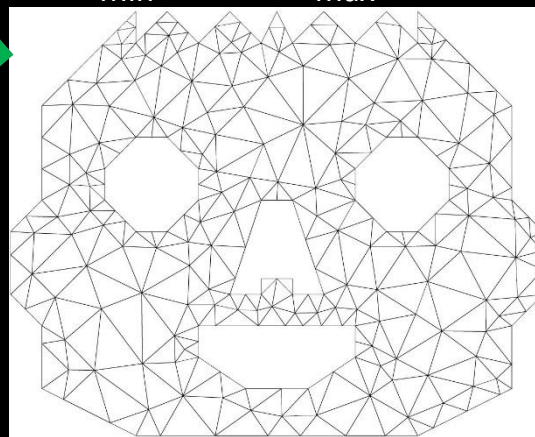


Reduction ratio = 86%

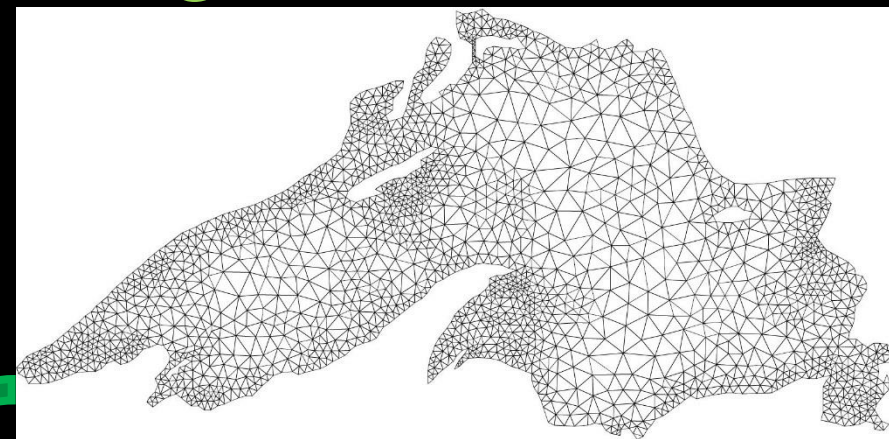
dense regions



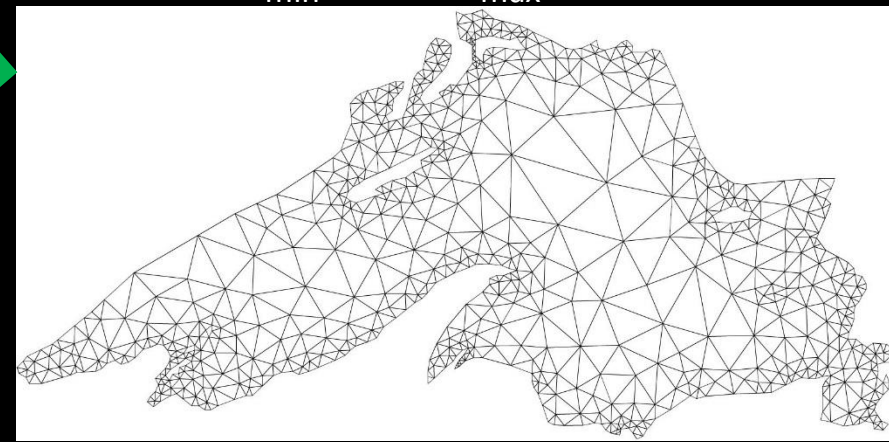
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Reduction ratio = 62%



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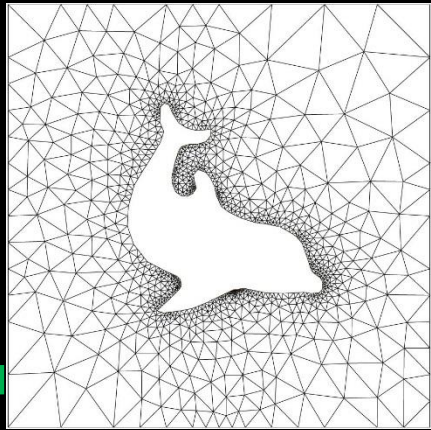


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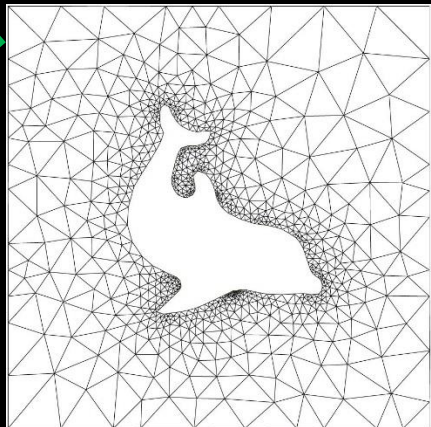
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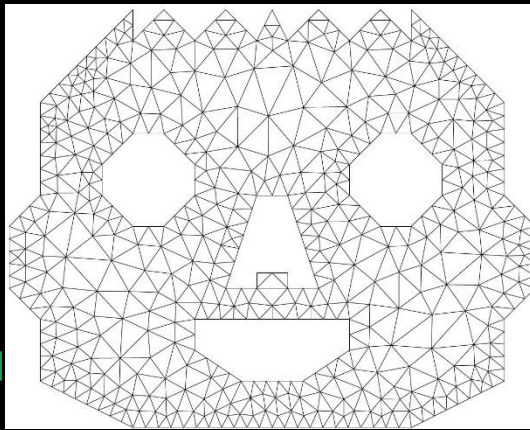
“Quality Triangulations with Locally Optimal Steiner Points”
– Hale Erten et al. - SIAM J. Sci. Comput 2008



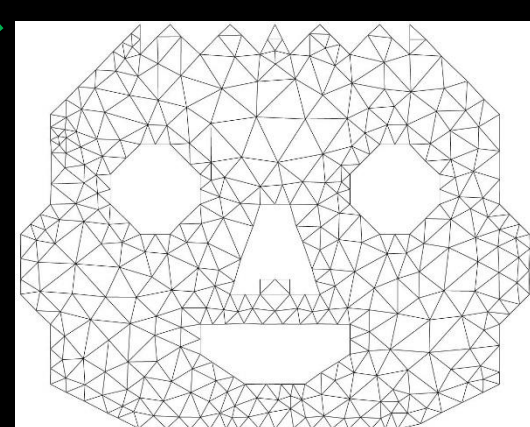
$\theta_{\min} = 40^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 99^\circ$



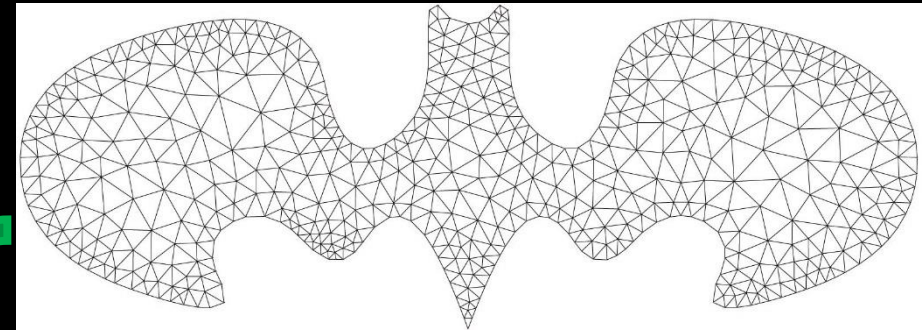
Reduction ratio = 24%



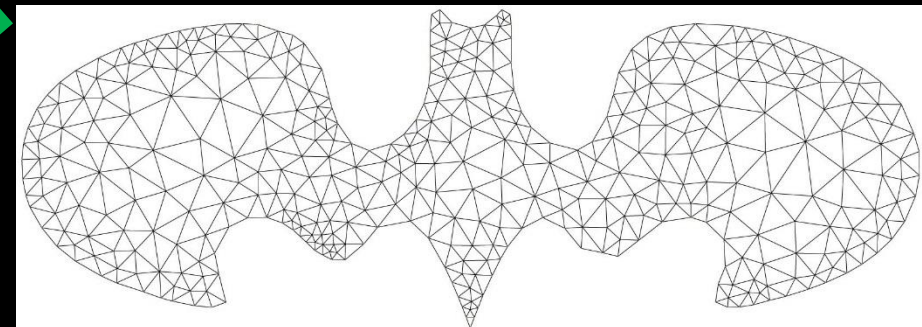
$\theta_{\min} = 40^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 99^\circ$



Reduction ratio = 28%



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Applications

2- Delaunay Sifting

CVT

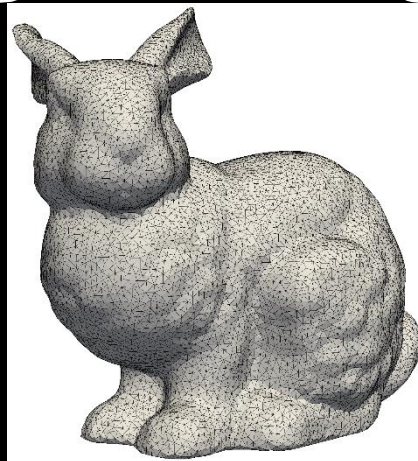


$\theta_{\min} = 35^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 103^\circ$

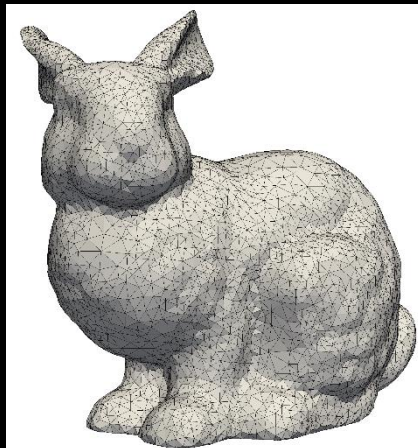


Reduction ratio = 43%

Uniform MPS

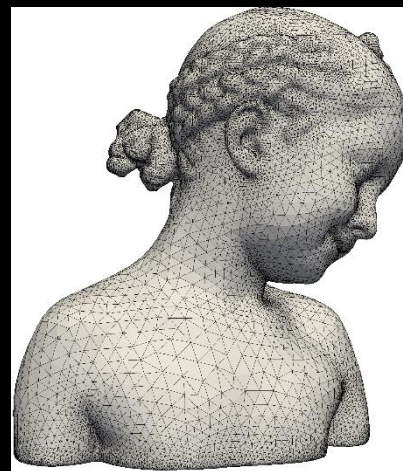


$\theta_{\min} = 30^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 116^\circ$

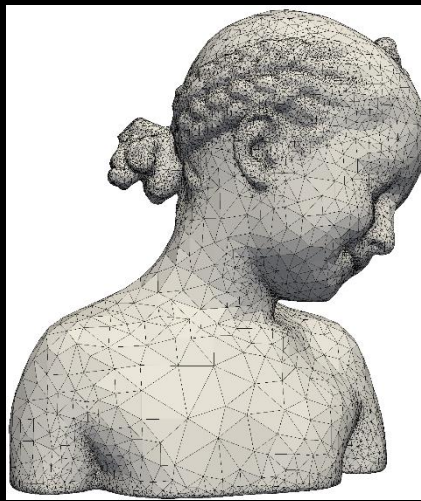


Reduction ratio = 50%

Frontal Delaunay

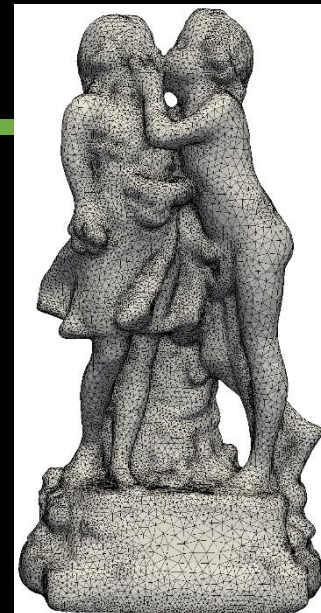


$\theta_{\min} = 28^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 120^\circ$

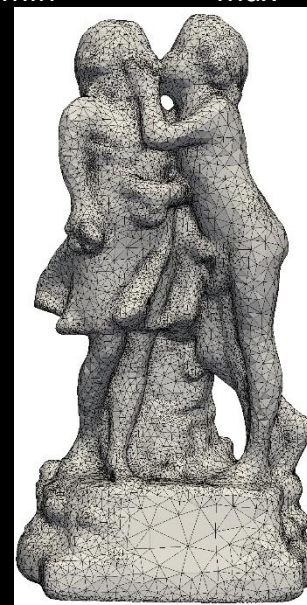


Reduction ratio = 50%

Delaunay Refinement



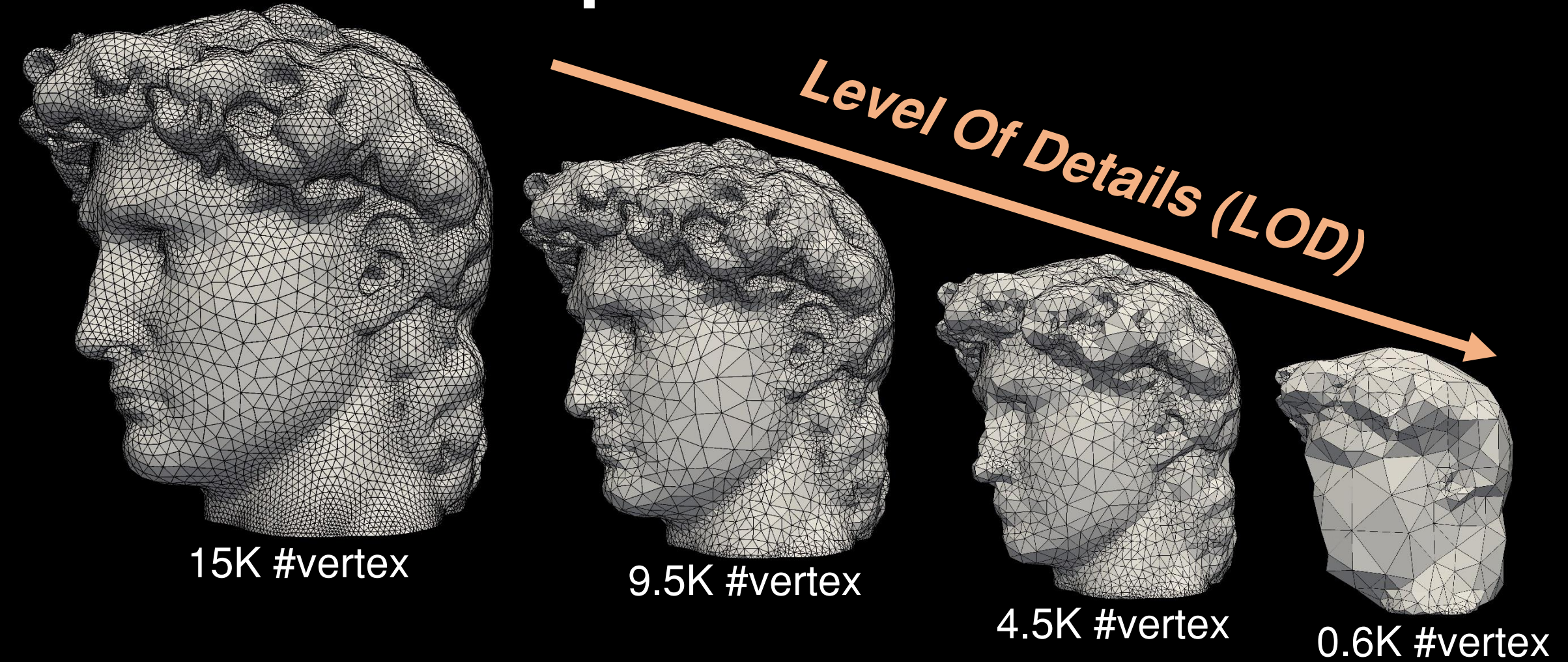
$\theta_{\min} = 28^\circ, \theta_{\max} = 121^\circ$



Reduction ratio = 44%

Applications

3- Mesh Simplification



Applications

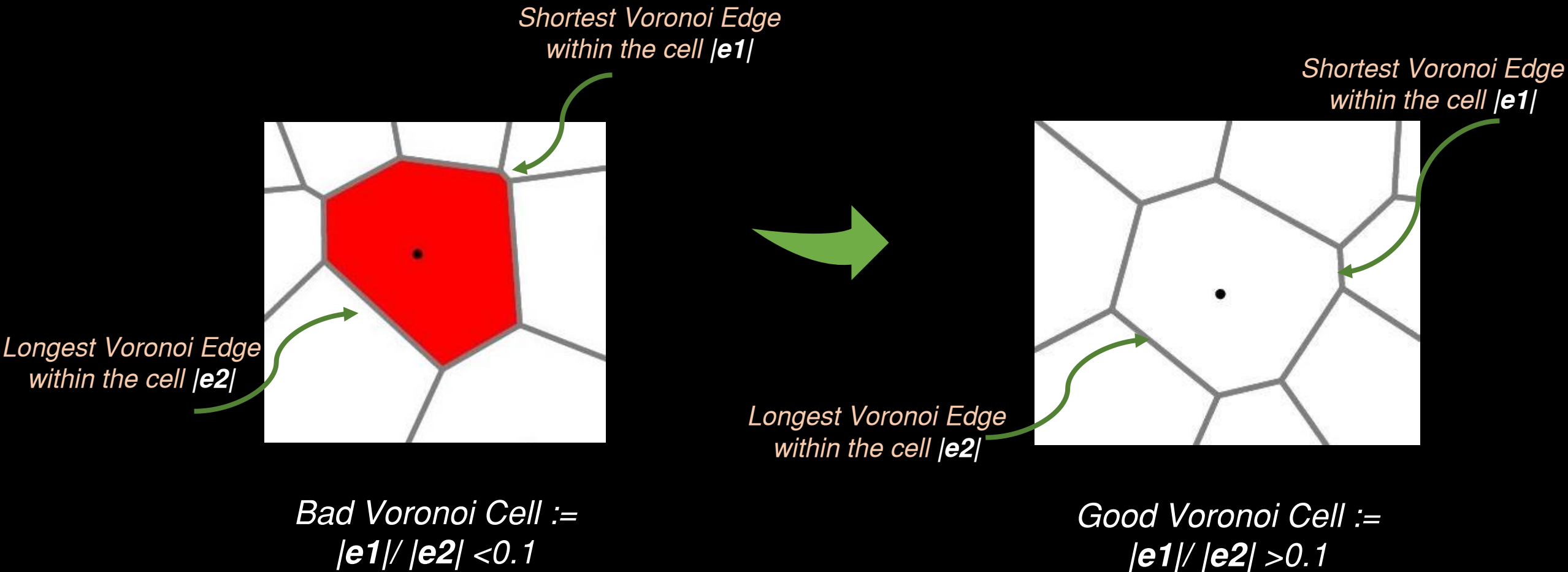
3- Mesh Simplification

- “Surface Simplification Using Quadratic Error Metric” – *Garland M., et al.* - SIGGRAPH '97
- “Efficient Construction and Simplification of Delaunay Meshes” – *Liu Y.-J., et al.* - TOG 2015

Model	Method	v		Δ		θ_{\min}		θ_{\max}		Q_{\min}		$d_{RMS}(\times 10^{-2})$	$d_H(\times 10^{-2})$
		Input	Output	Input	Output	Input	Output	Input	Output	Input	Output		
Bunny (MPS)	DM											3.5	0.8
	QEM	11.5K	≈ 153	23k	≈ 302	30	6	116	165	0.5	0.11	1.7	0.5
	Our						30		116		0.5	4.6	1.8
Fertility (MPS)	DM											1.5	0.4
	QEM	8.5K	≈ 390	17k	≈ 790	30	4	116	168	0.5	0.08	0.7	0.2
	Our						30		116		0.5	4.86	0.9
Loop (MPS)	DM											1	0.2
	QEM	10.7K	$\approx 1.4K$	22k	$\approx 3K$	30	5.5	117	160	0.48	0.12	0.5	0.1
	Our						30		117		0.17	2.9	0.4
Bimba (DR)	DM											4.6	0.6
	QEM	25.4K	≈ 180	51k	≈ 350	28	6	122	161	0.44	0.12	1.9	0.4
	Our						28		122		0.47	4.7	1.5
Rocker (DR)	DM											2.3	0.4
	QEM	10.8K	≈ 240	21k	≈ 485	30	4	118	165	0.47	0.09	1.1	0.3
	Our						30		114		0.5	4.9	1.3
Bimba (FD)	DM											3.3	0.4
	QEM	24.4K	≈ 270	49K	≈ 535	28	5	121	167	0.46	0.08	0.8	0.3
	Our						29		119		0.47	4.8	1.2
Rocker (FD)	DM											1.9	0.4
	QEM	10.2K	≈ 260	20.5k	≈ 520	32	5	114	167	0.52	0.09	0.8	0.3
	Our						32		112		0.52	4.9	1.1
Chinese Dragon (CVT)	DM											1.5	0.2
	QEM	30K	$\approx 1.5K$	60k	$\approx 3.1K$	34	3	103	174	0.6	0.04	0.7	0.1
	Our						34		103		0.6	2.7	0.4
David Head (CVT)	DM											1.1	0.2
	QEM	15K	≈ 660	30k	$\approx 1.3K$	33	7	107	158	0.56	0.15	1.9	0.2
	Our						33		107		0.56	4.9	0.9
Omotondo (CVT)	DM											2.9	0.5
	QEM	20K	≈ 260	40k	≈ 530	28	7	110	142	0.54	0.18	1.1	0.3
	Our						28		110		0.53	1.8	0.2

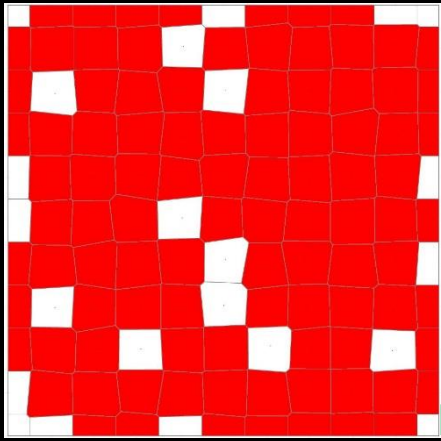
Applications

4- Voronoi without Short Edges:

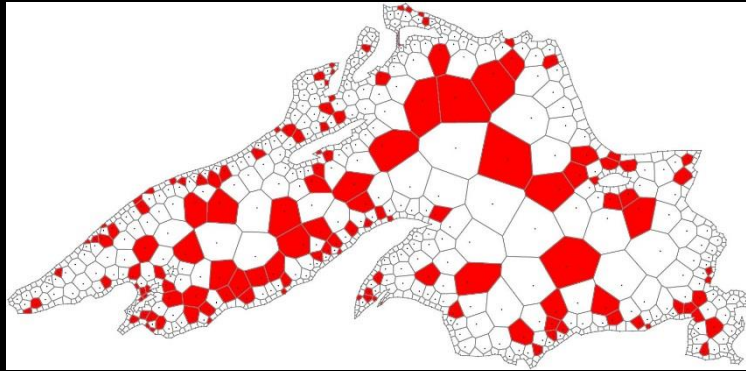


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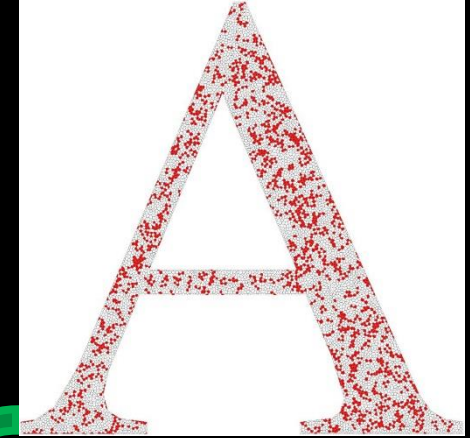
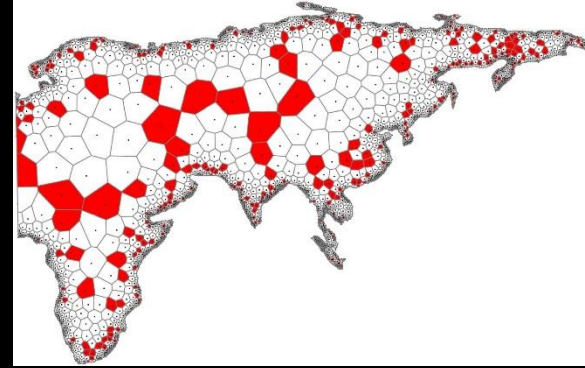
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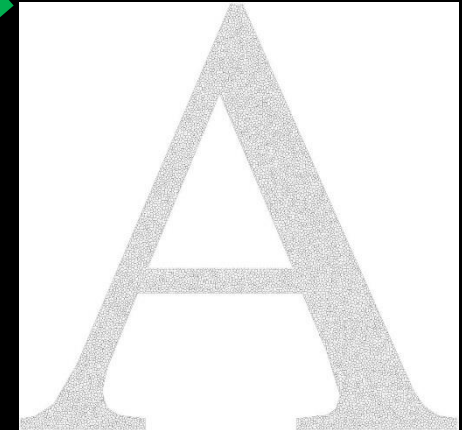
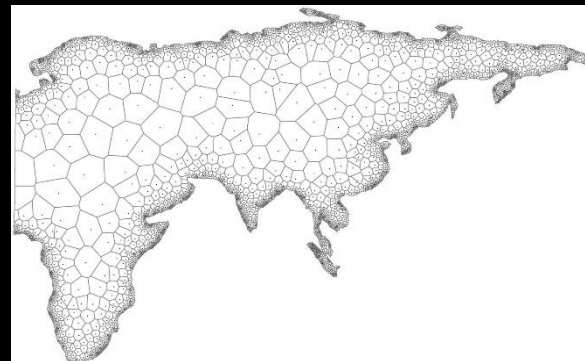
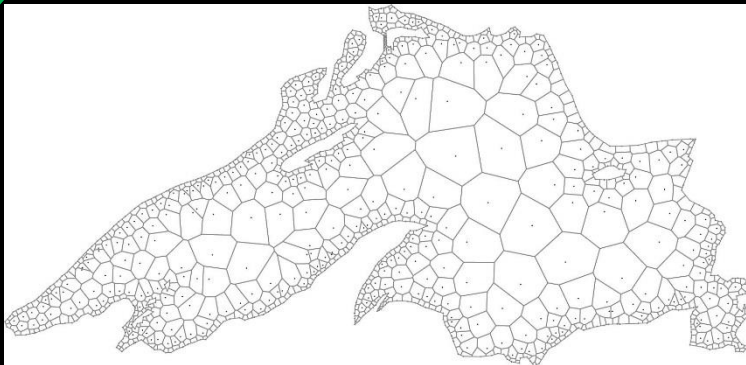
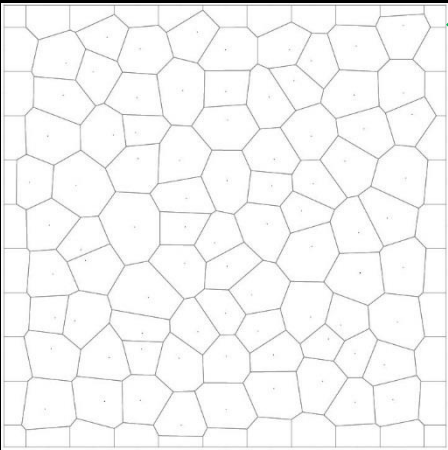
**Jittered grid
(98 bad elements)**



**Rapid change in grading
(139 & 541 bad elements)**

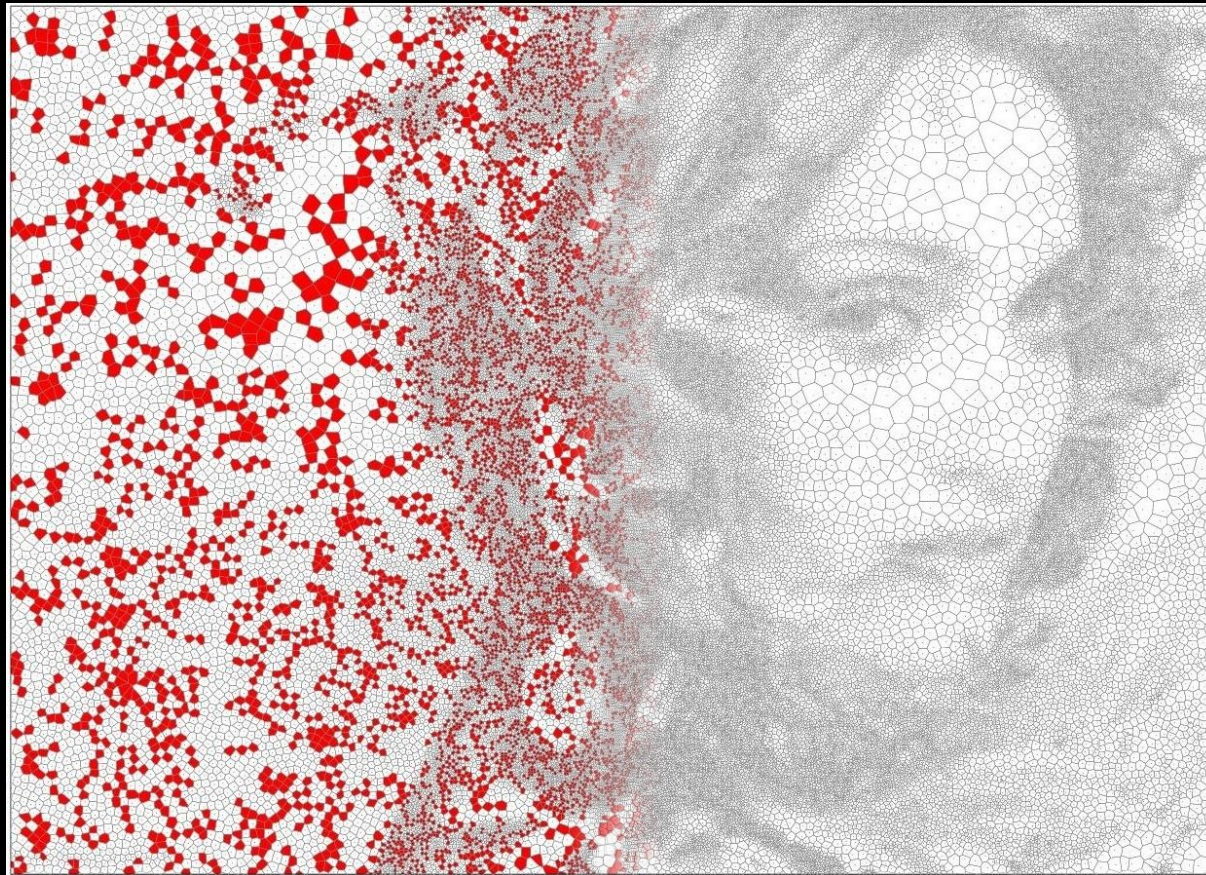


**Constant sizing func
(1666 bad elements)**



Applications

4- Voronoi without Short Edges:



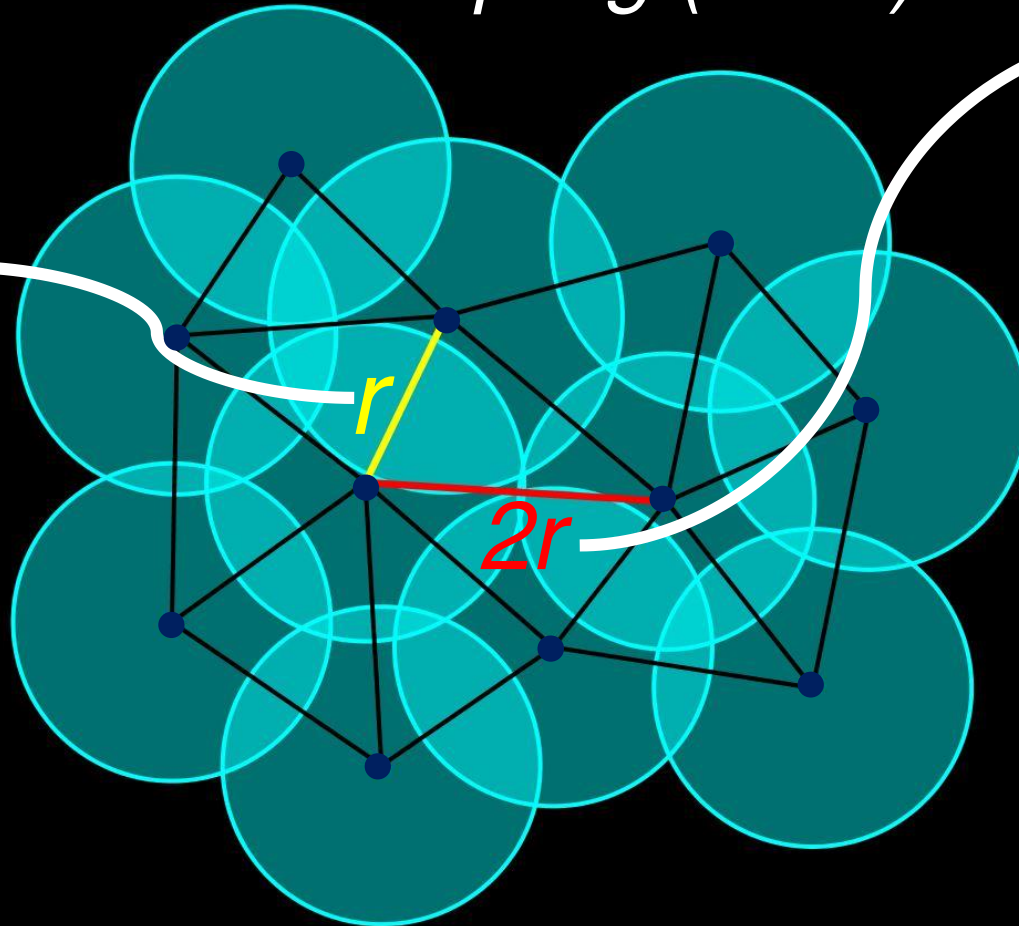
**Gray-scale based Voronoi mesh
(14272 bad elements)**

The Strategy

Intuition:

- *Maximal Poisson Sampling (MPS)*

Minimum separation ensures minimum edge length



Maximality ensures upper bound on edge length

The Strategy

Input:

Triangular mesh & *quality objectives*

Curved Surface mesh
Planar 2D Mesh

Minimum and maximum angle bound
Delaunay property
Sizing function

The Strategy

Definitions:

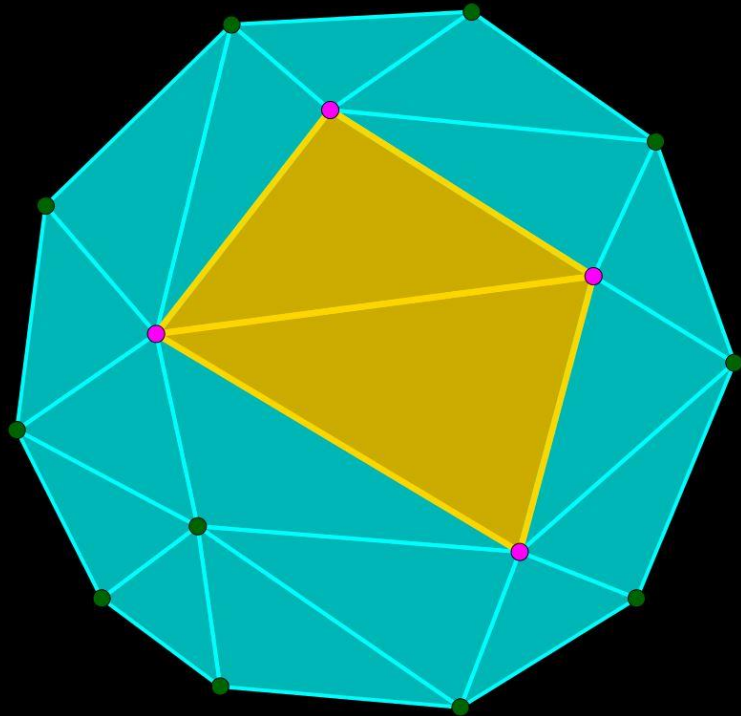
- *Bad element:*

e.g., obtuse triangle for non-obtuse remeshing,
Voronoi cell associated with a short edge,
any triangle for mesh simplification

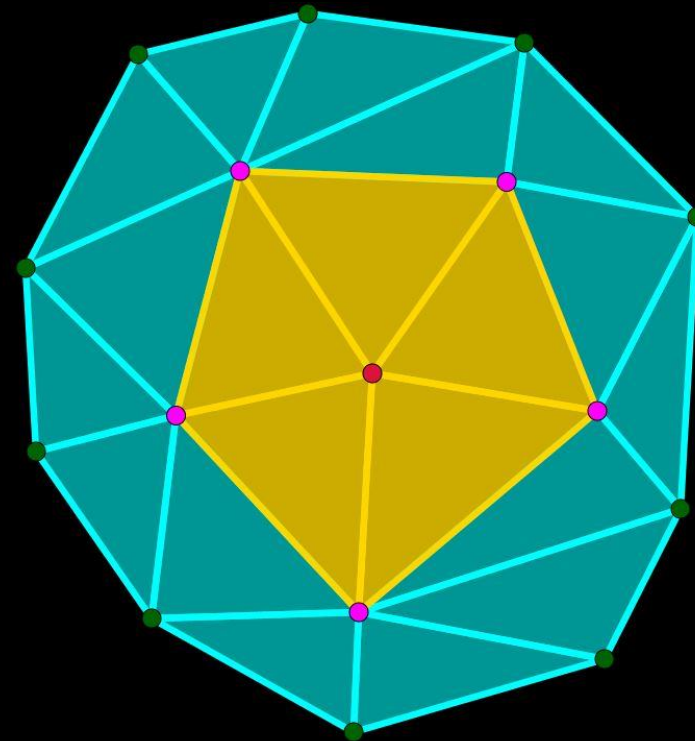
The Strategy

Definitions:

- *Patch*:



Two Opposite Triangles

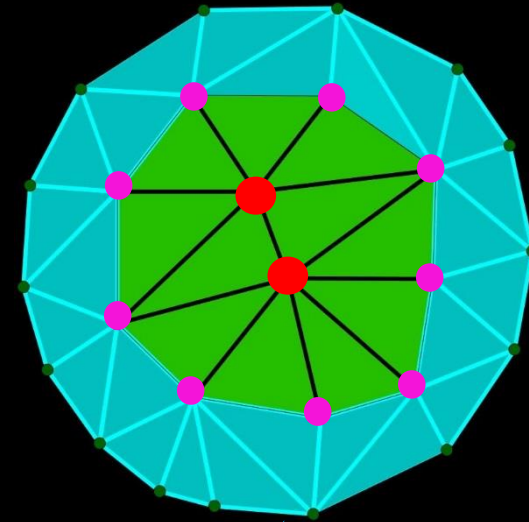
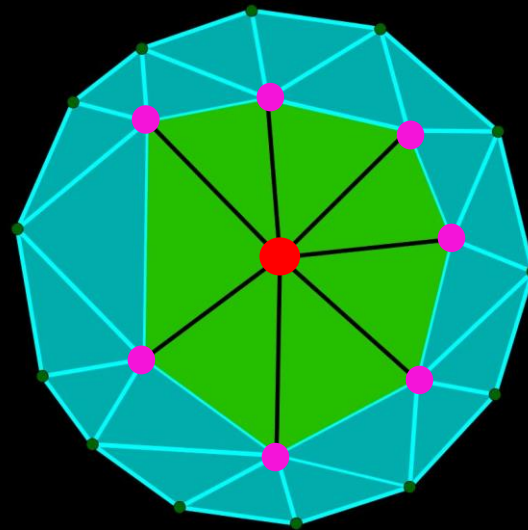


Triangle Fan

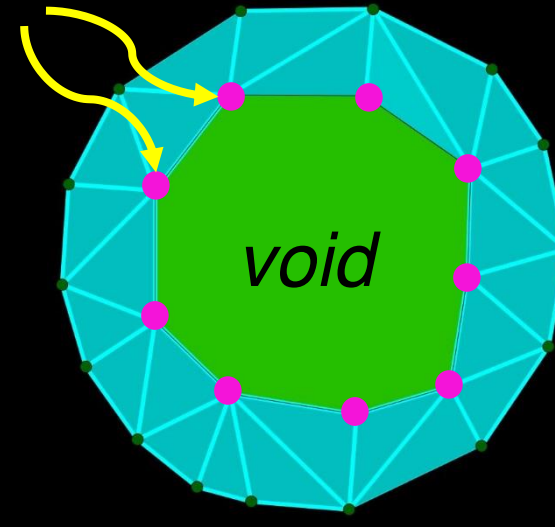
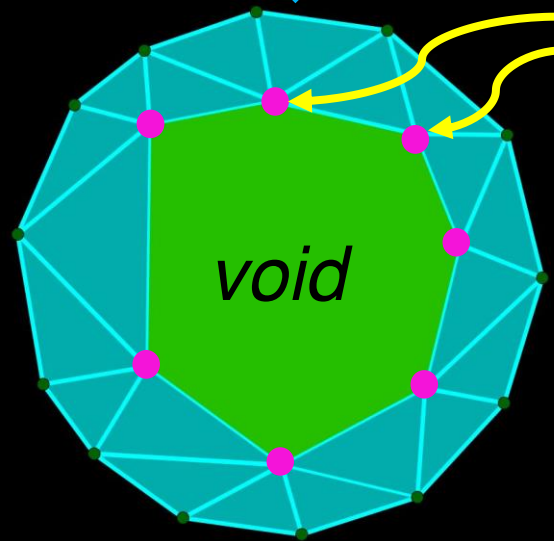
The Strategy

Definitions:

- *Void:*



neighbors



The Strategy

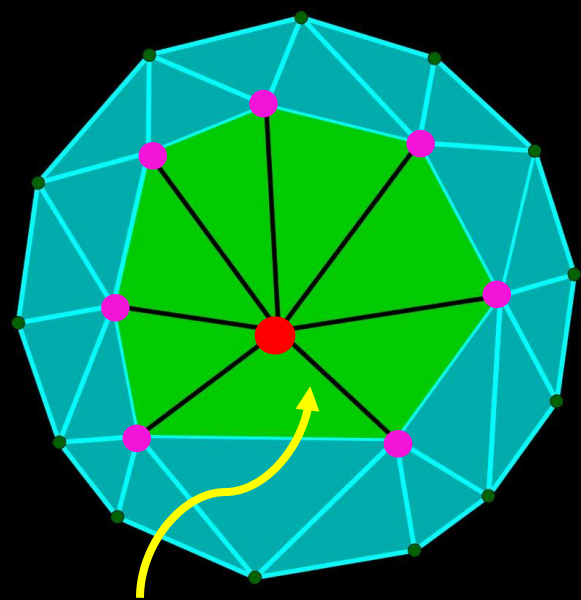
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- 3- Map quality objective into geometric constraints (feasible region)
- 4- Sample from the feasible region and triangulate
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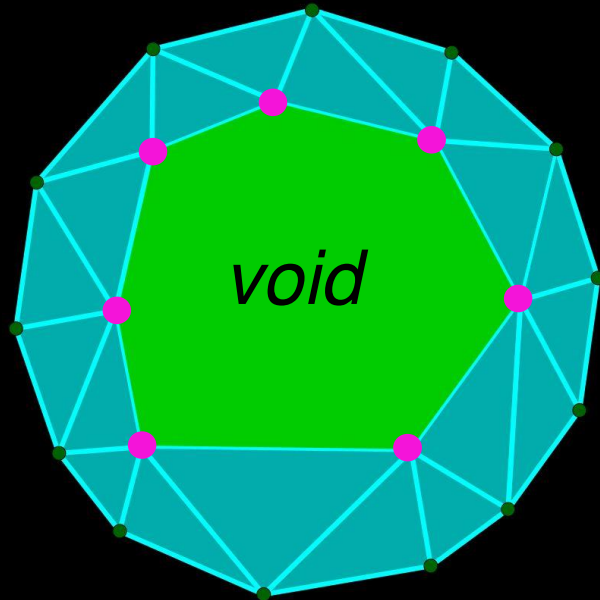
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Quality Objectives → Geometric Primitives:

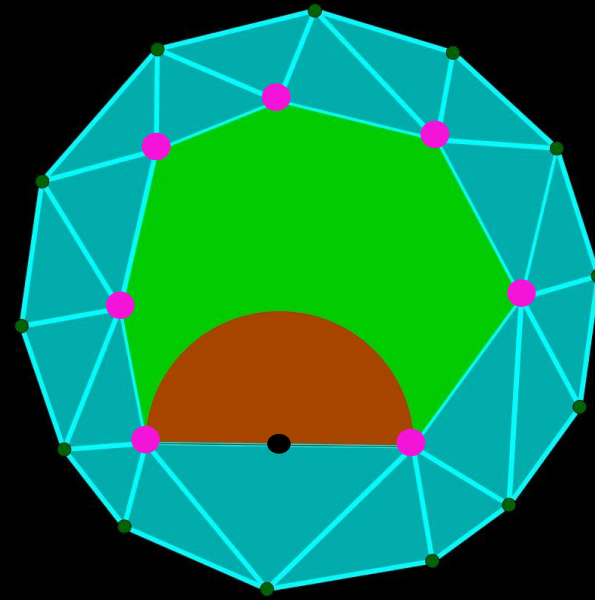
a) *Exclusion region:*



patch associated with bad element

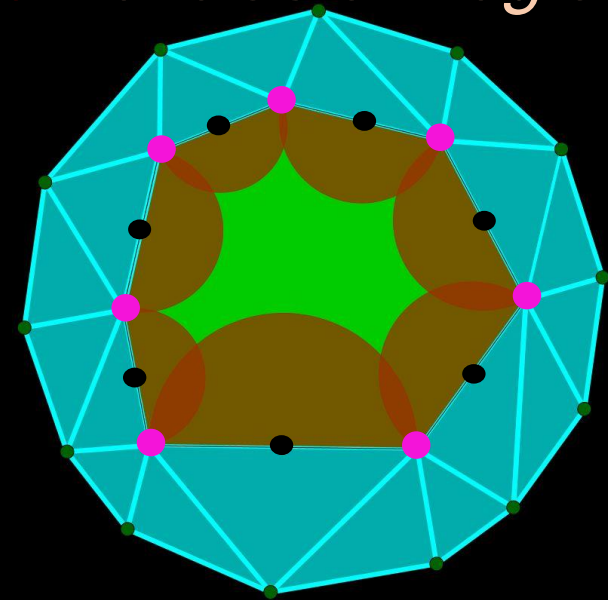


removing patch elements creates void



map quality objective (non-obtuseness) for a single segment

red = exclusion region



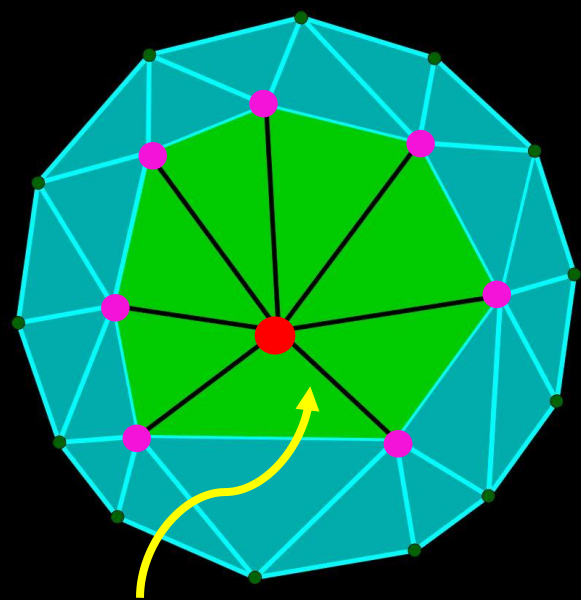
map quality objective from all segments

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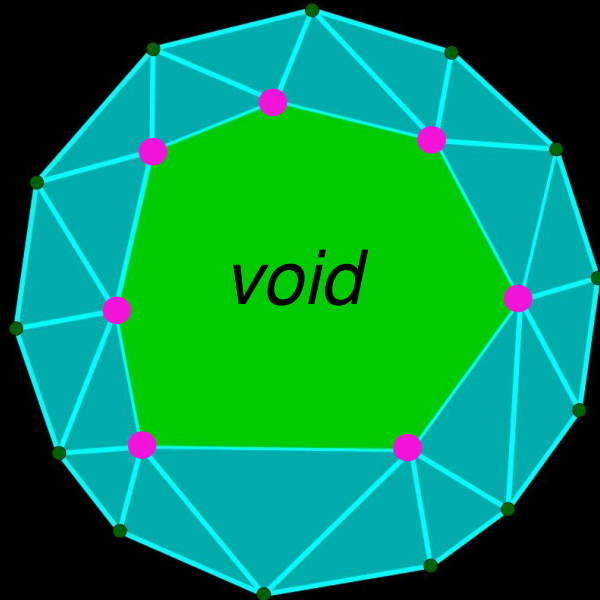
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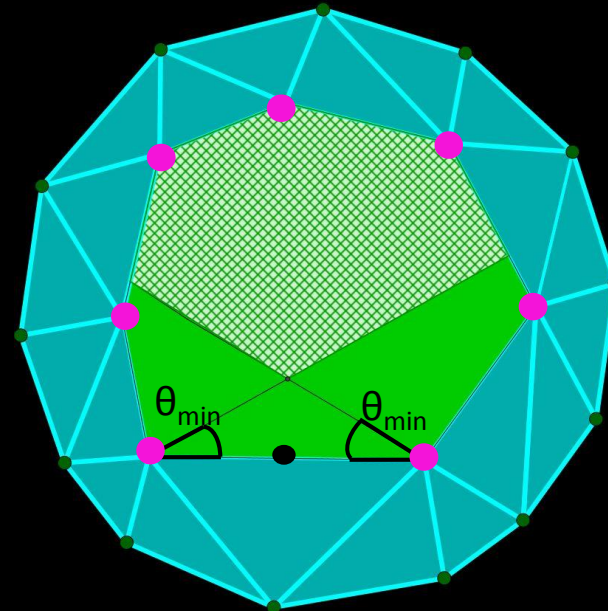
hatch= inclusion region



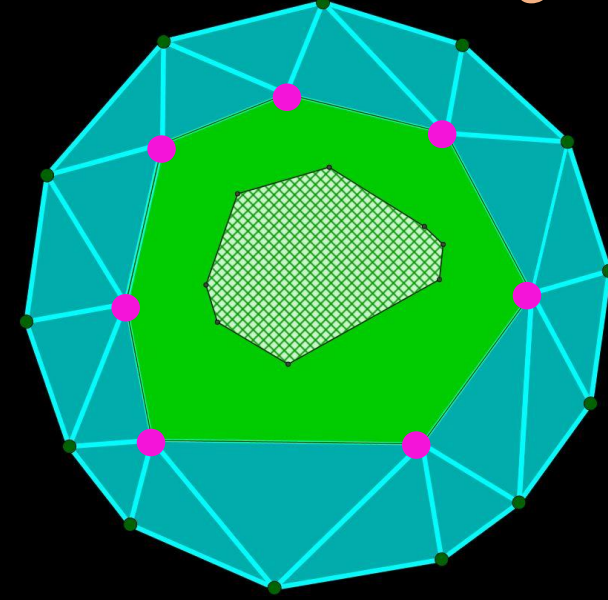
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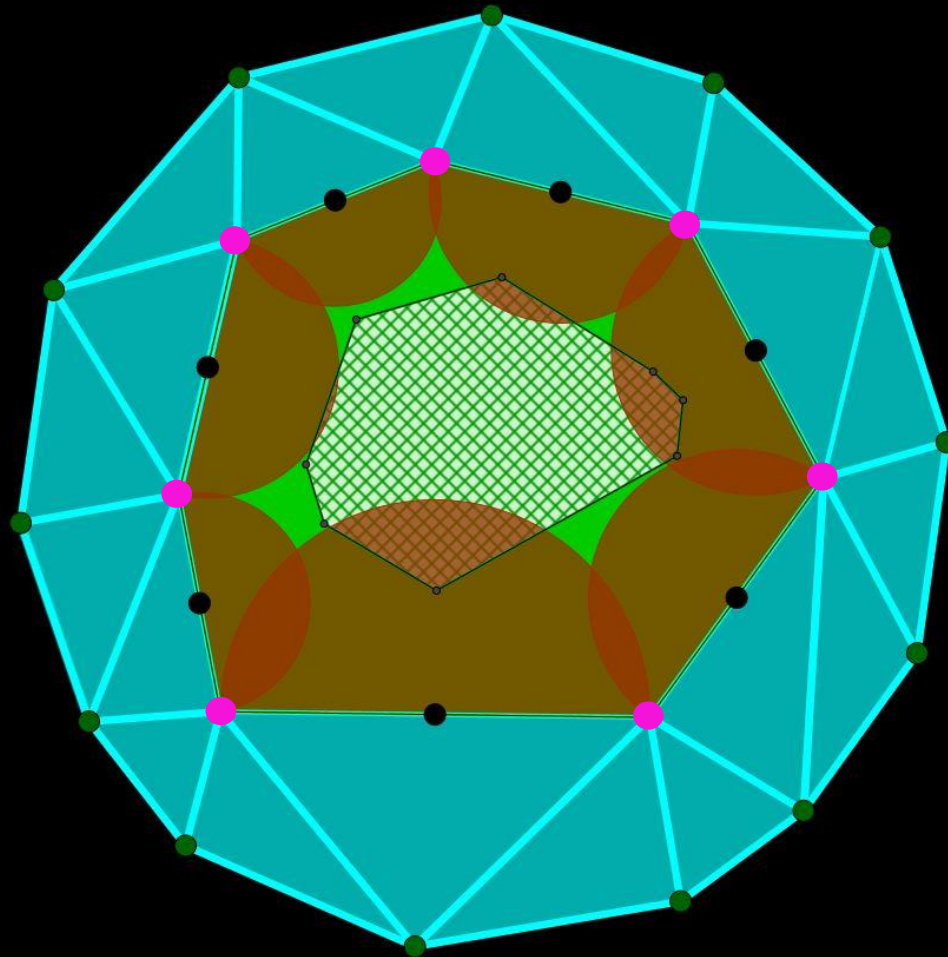
map quality objective (min angle) for a single segment



map quality objective from all segments

The Strategy

Quality Objectives → Geometric Primitives:
Exclusion & Inclusion regions:



hatch = inclusion region
red = exclusion region

The Strategy

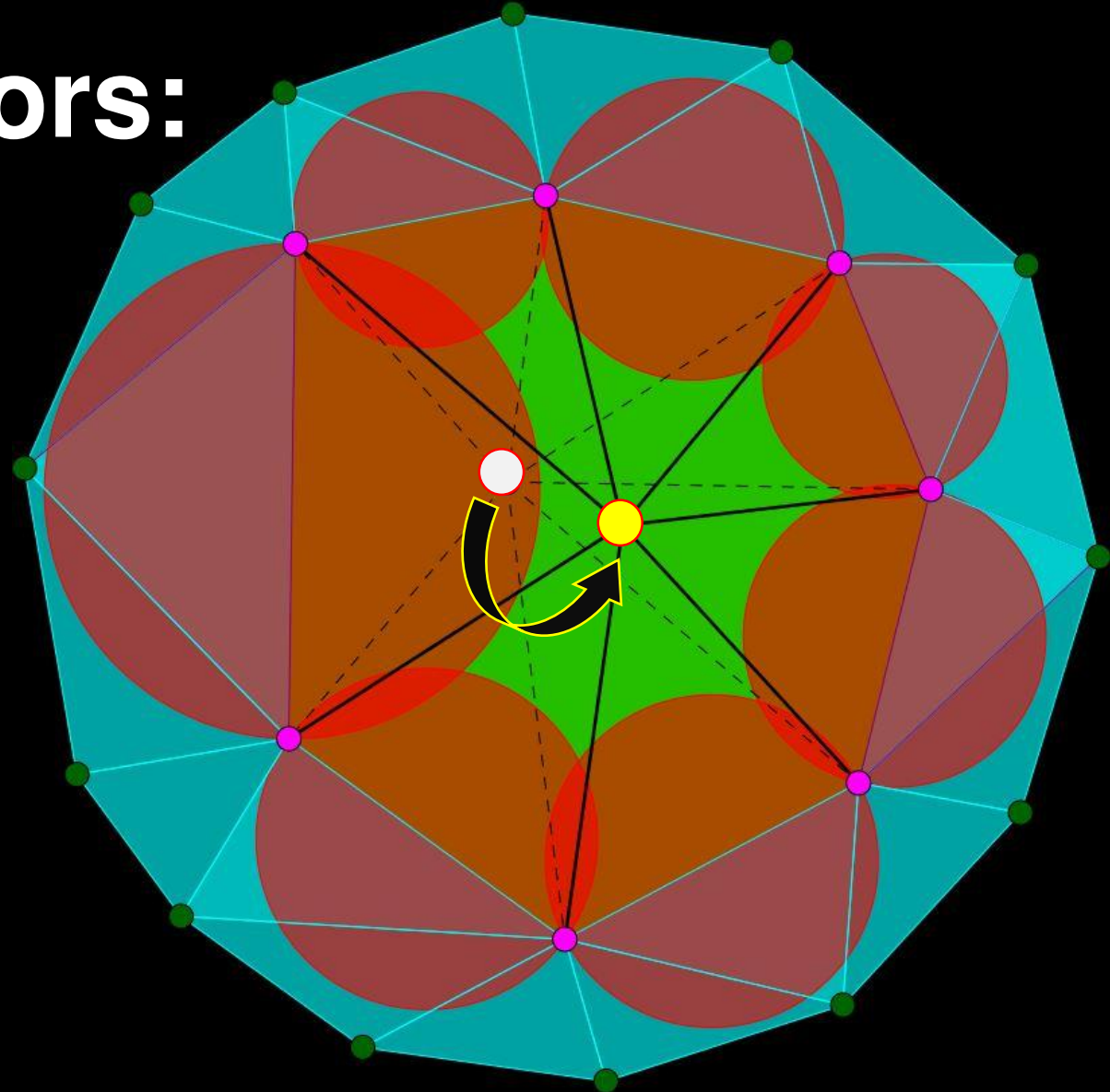
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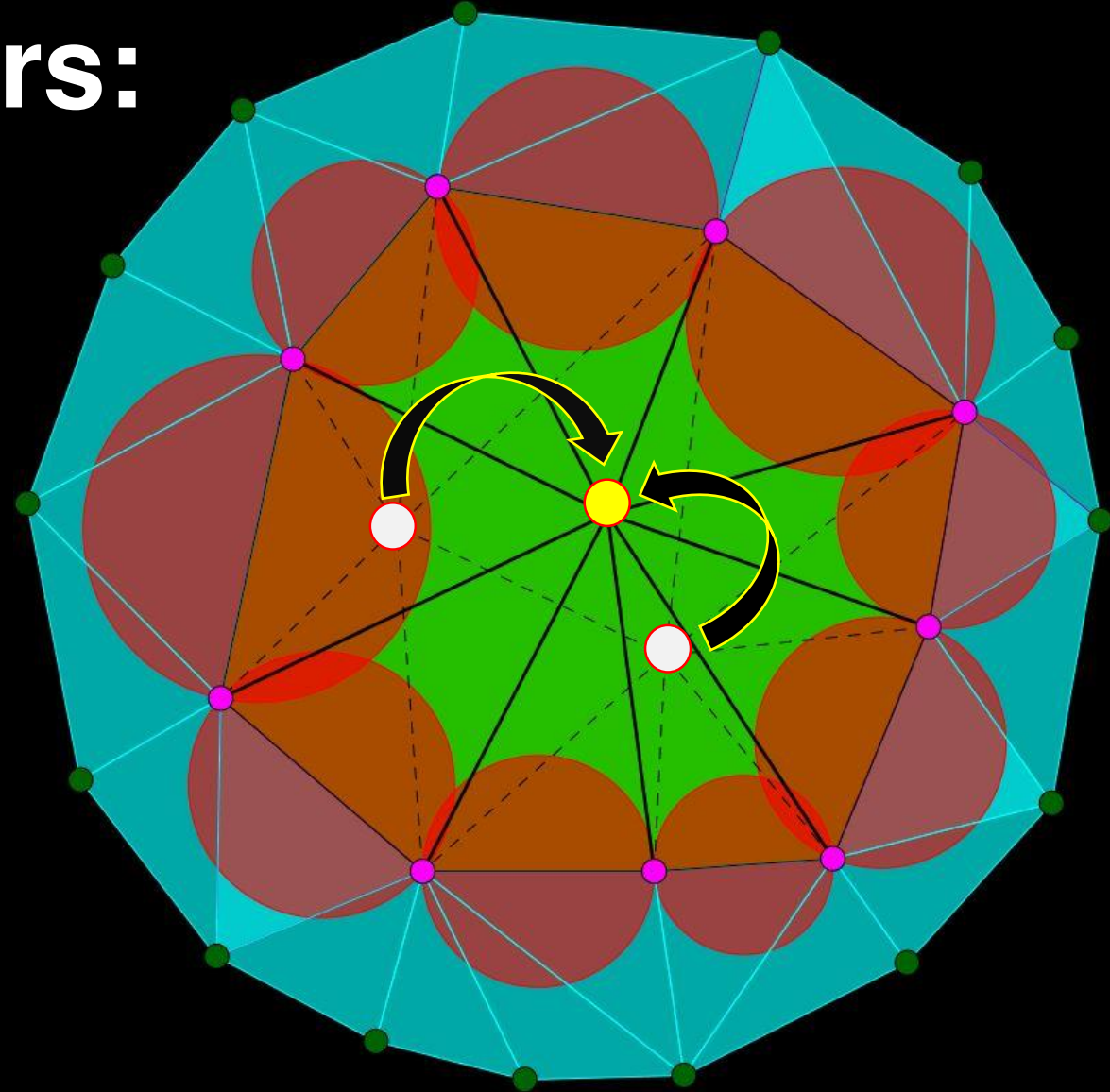
Resampling Operators:

1) Relocation



The Strategy

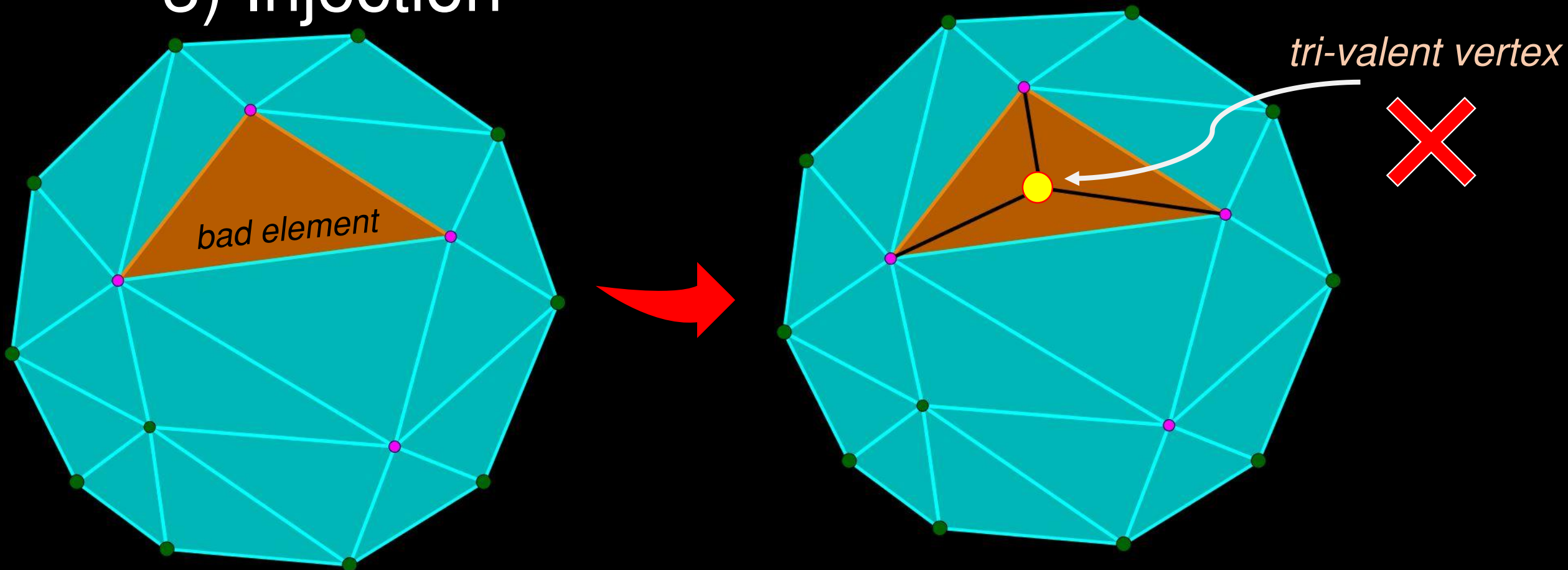
Resampling Operators: 2) Ejection



The Strategy

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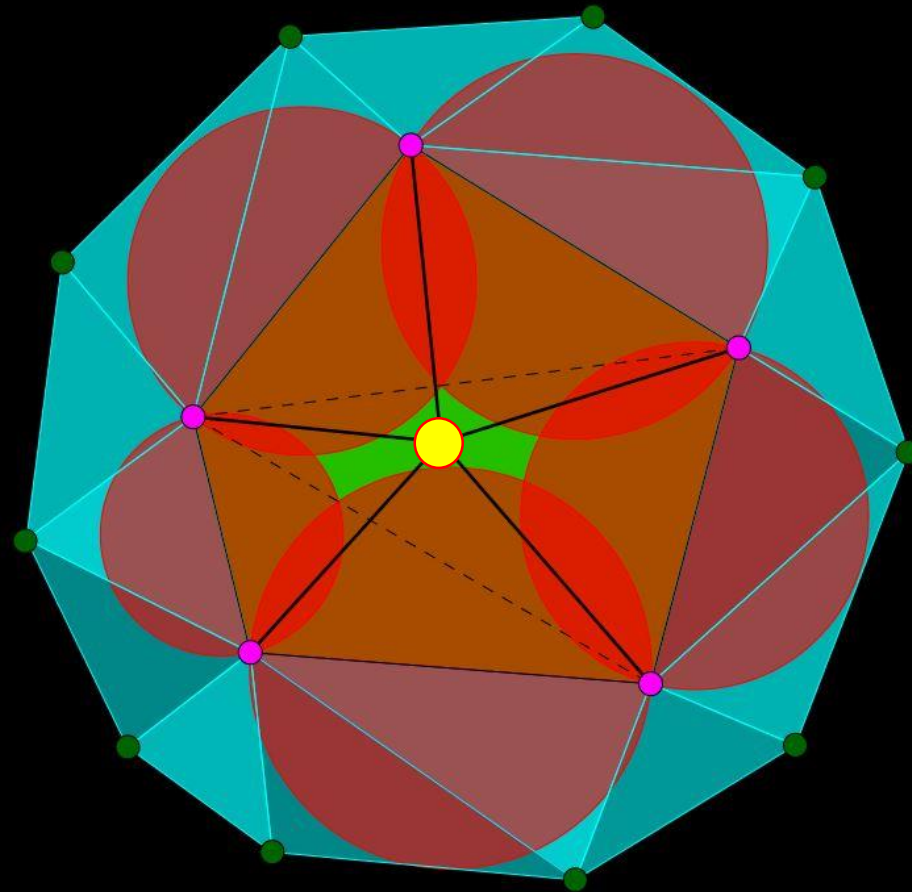
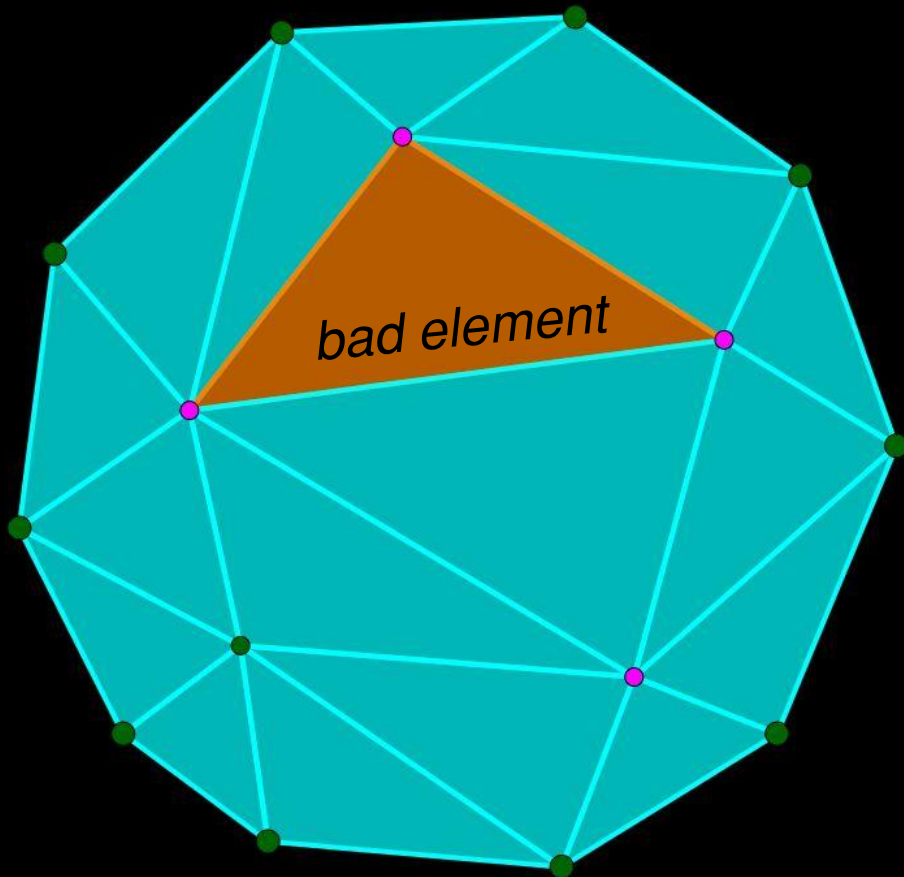
3) Injection



The Strategy

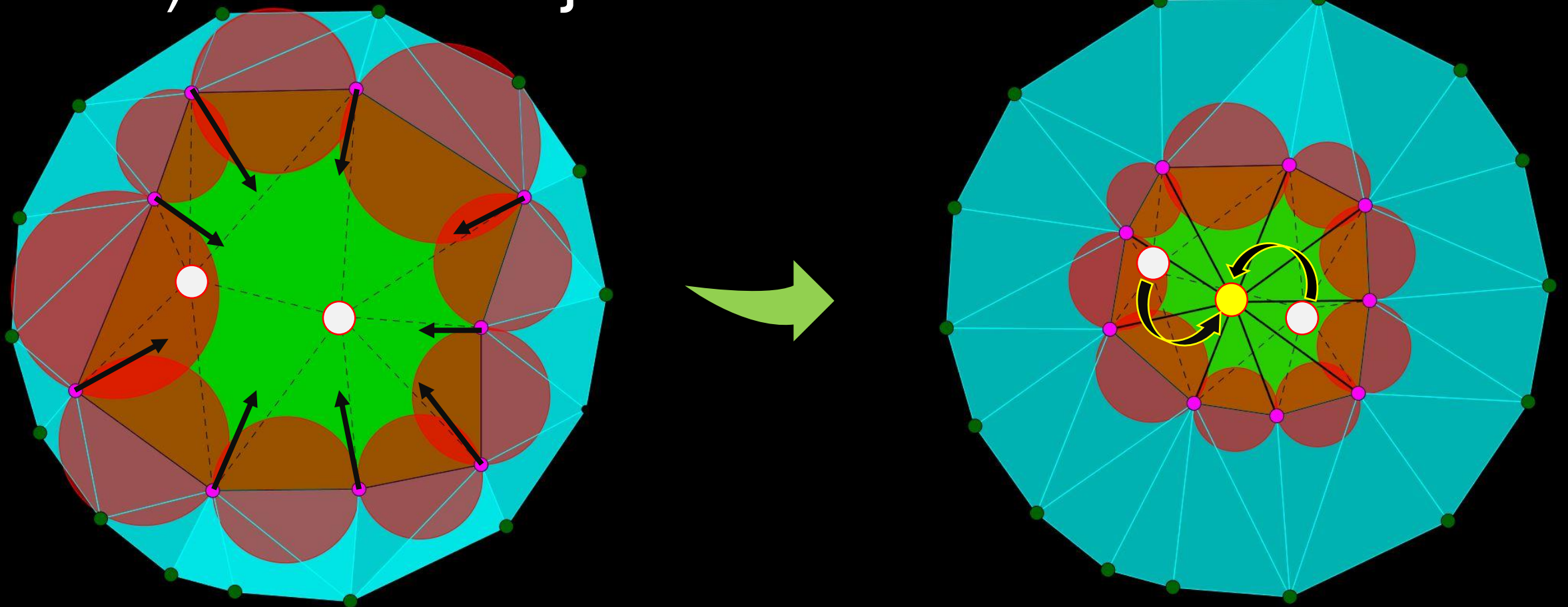
Resampling Operators:

3) Injection



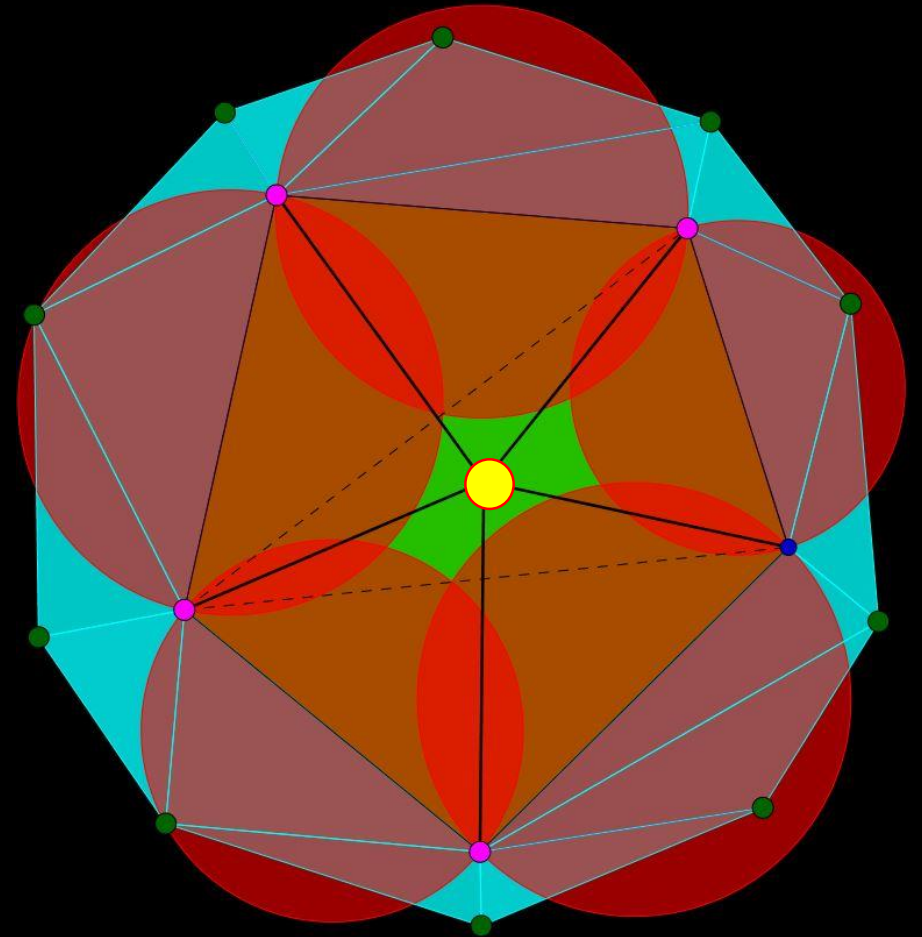
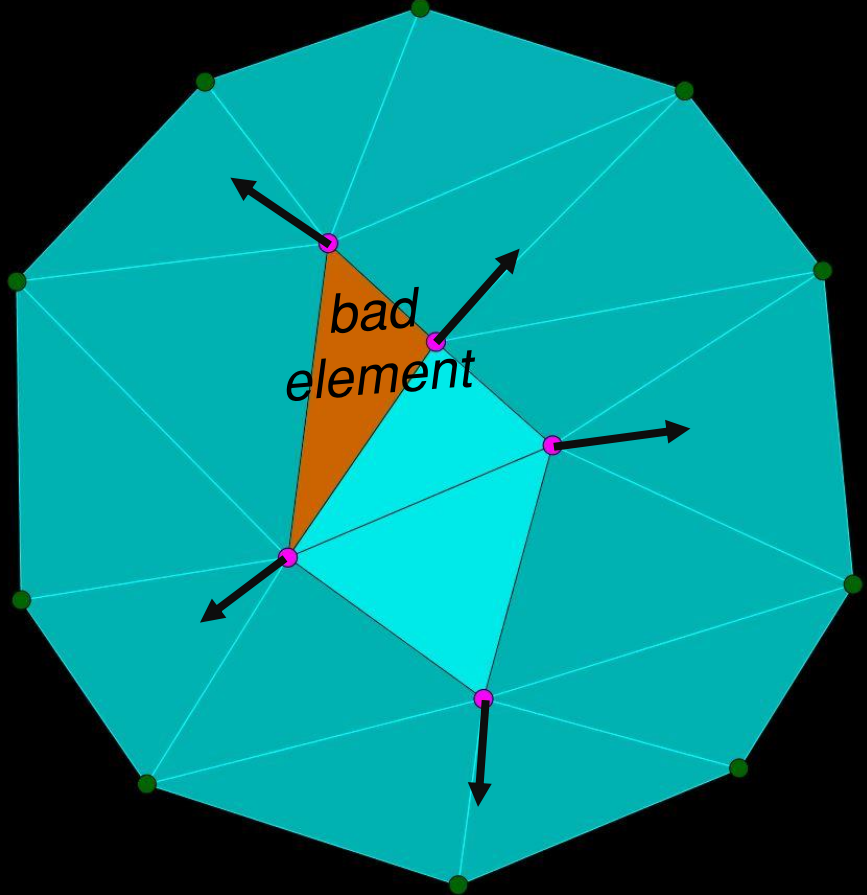
The Strategy

Resampling Operators: 4) Attractor Ejection



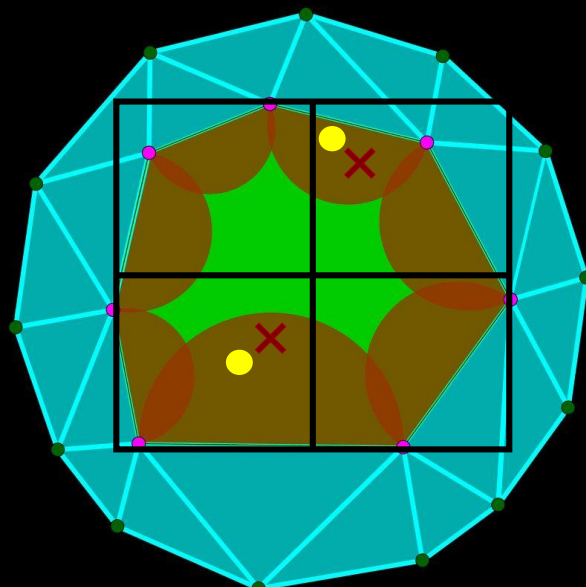
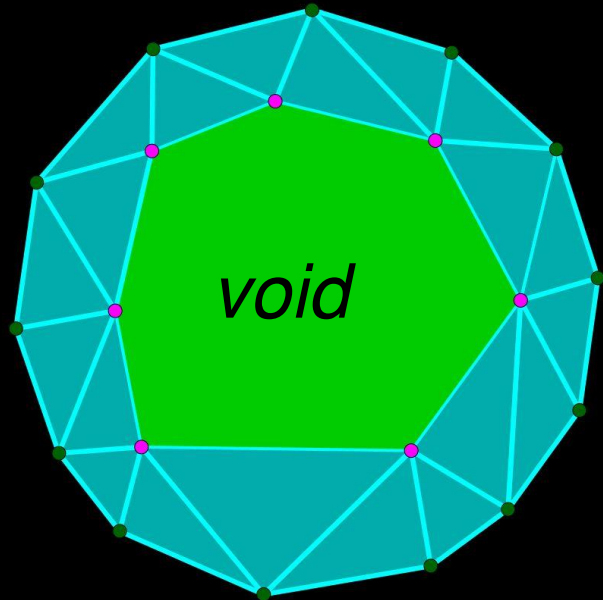
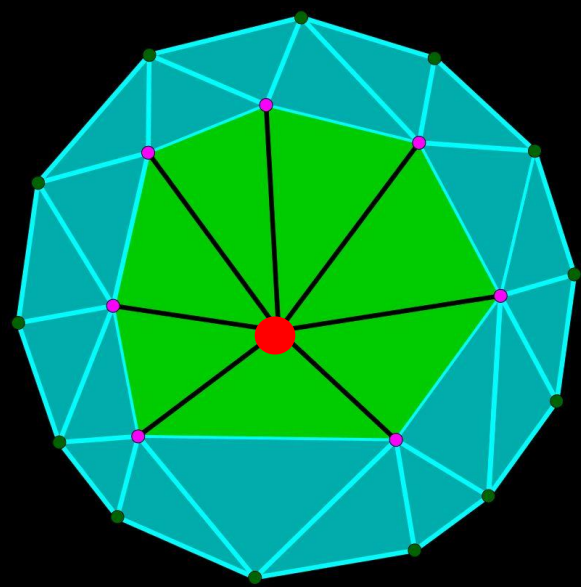
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Resampling Operators: 5) Repeller Injection

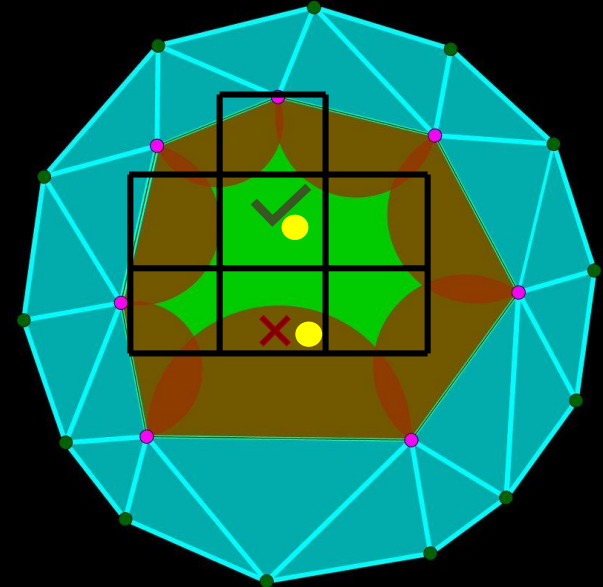


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Sampling: dart throwing



coarse grid



refined grid

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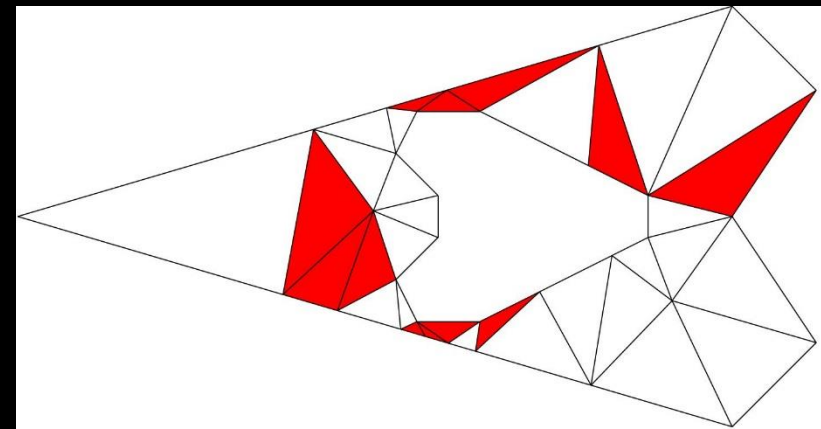
Guarantees:

- No degradation
- No repeated scenarios guarantees termination
- For curved surface, sampling from the input surface guarantees upper bound on Hausdorff distance

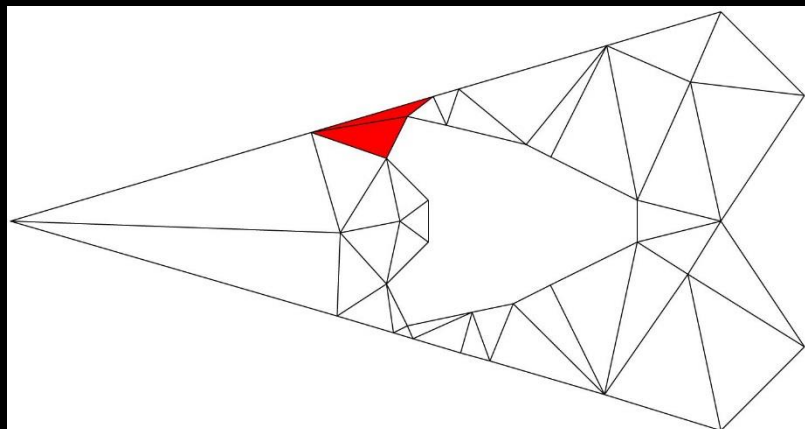
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Limitations:

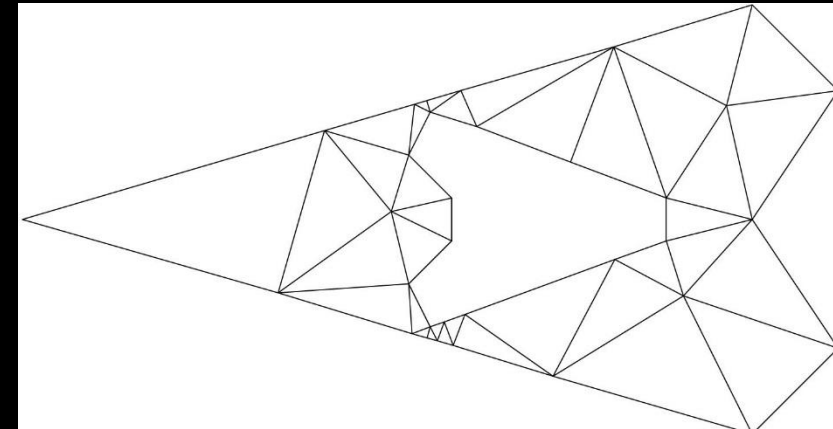
- Stuck in local minima



Input



Dead-end



Success

Summary

- Simple strategy with versatile applications
- Derived spatial representation of various qualities
- Developed a toolbox for local resampling
- Demonstrate success over wide range of applications

Thank You!

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