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# Hierarchical 4–k Meshes

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# Outline

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- Background on 4-8 Meshes
- Hierarchical 4-k Meshes
- Representation and Operations
- Construction Methods
- Recent Developments

# Background

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- Origins of Classical 4–8 Meshes

- Laves Tilings
  - 4–direction Meshes
  - Quincunx Lattices

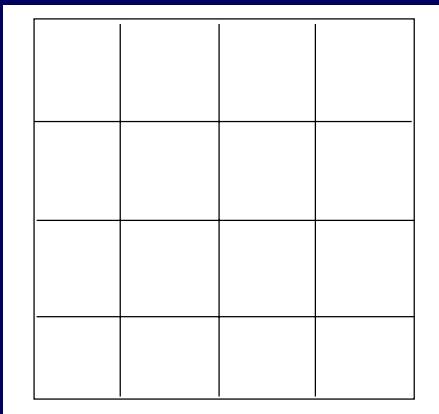
- Generalizations of 4–8 Meshes

- Semi-Regular 4–8 Meshes
  - Quasi-Regular 4–8 Meshes
  - Hierarchical 4–k Meshes

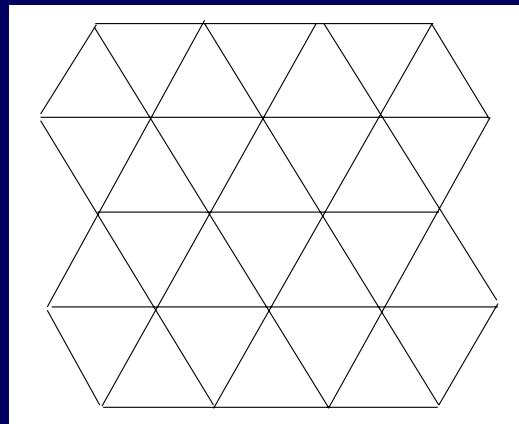
# Uniform Partitions of $\mathbb{R}^2$

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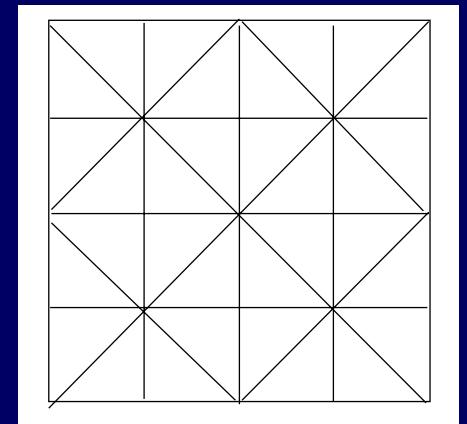
- Laves Tilings



$[4^4]$



$[6^3]$

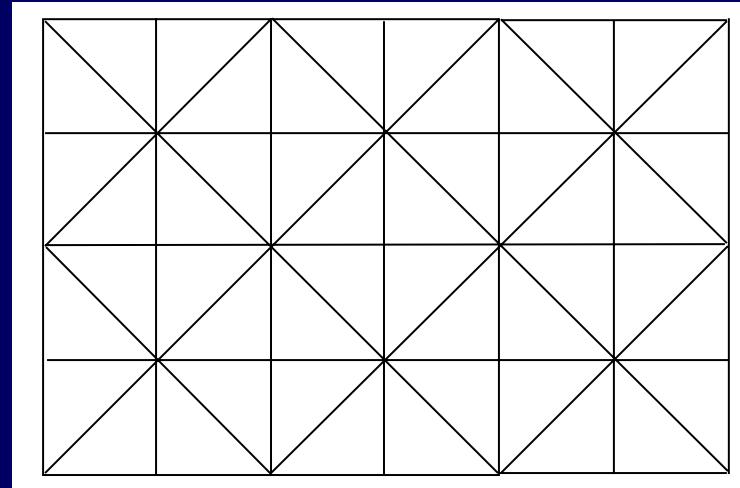


$[4.8^2]$

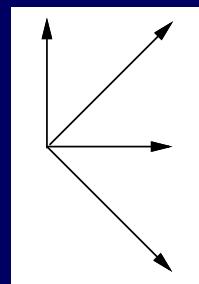
- \* Symmetry: Crystallographic Groups

# Four Direction Meshes

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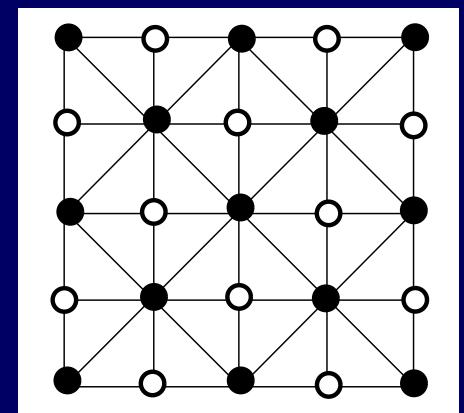
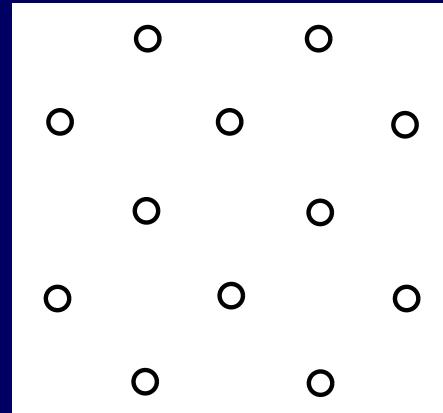
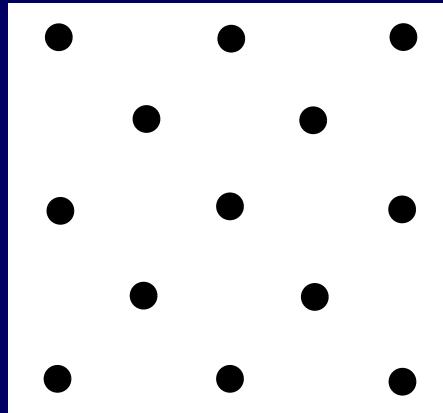
- Generated by the vectors  $(e_1, e_2, e_1 + e_2, e_1 - e_2)$



# Quincunx Lattices

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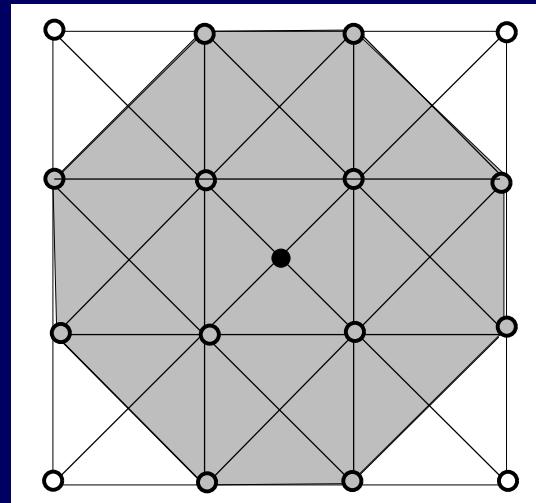
- $Q = \{Mx; x \in \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}\}$ , where  $M$  is the *quincunx matrix*  $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$
- Two Interleaved Quincunx Lattices



# Four Direction Box Splines

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- $C^1$  basis function generated by the convolution set  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$



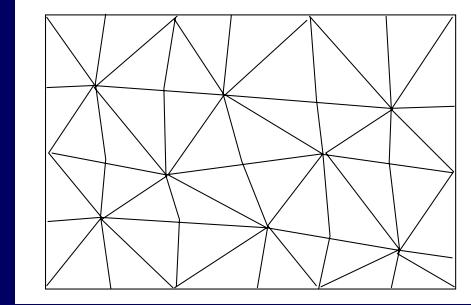
\* *Defined on Quadrilaterals*

# Generalization of 4–8 Meshes

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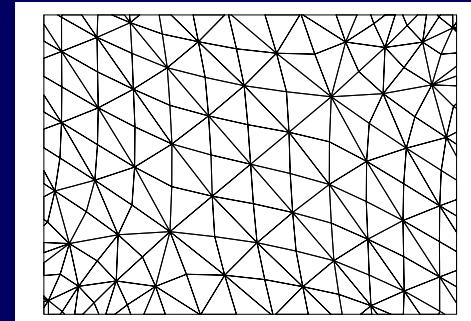
- Regular 4–8 Meshes

- 4–8 Topology  
 $(\deg(v) = 4, 8)$



- Semi-Regular (Quasi-Regular) 4–8 Meshes

- Isolated Extraordinary Vertices  
 $(\deg(v) \neq 4, 8)$



\* *Most of the properties of 4–8 Meshes*

# Hierarchical 4-k Meshes

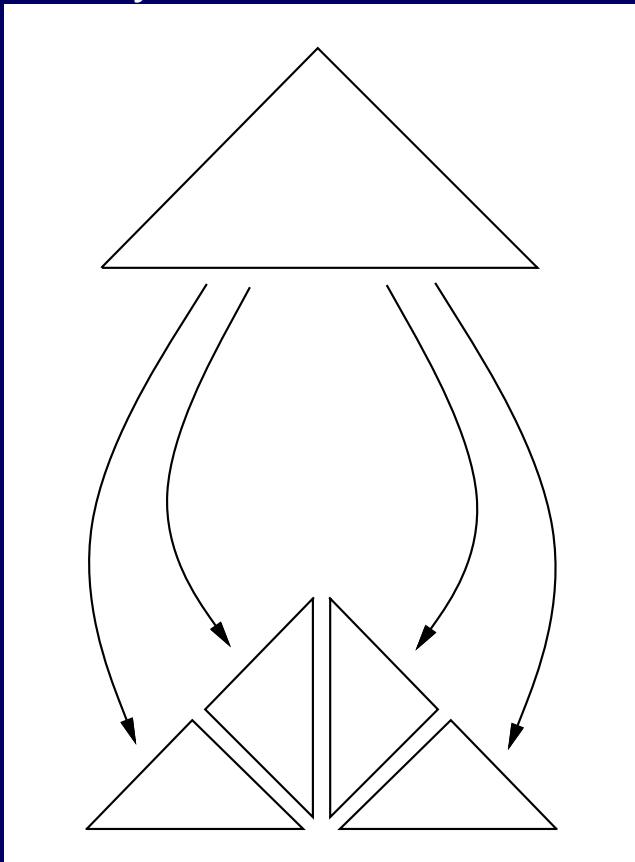
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- Construction Methods
  - Direct Refinement
  - Red-Black Refinement
- Representation
  - Multiresolution Representation
  - Variable Resolution Representation

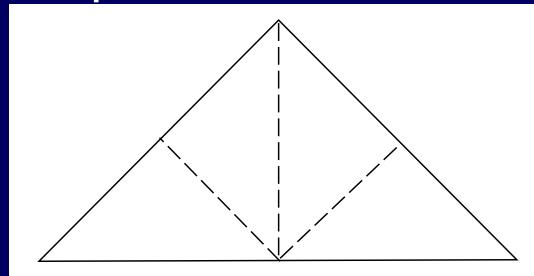
# Direct Refinement

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- Quaternary Subdivision



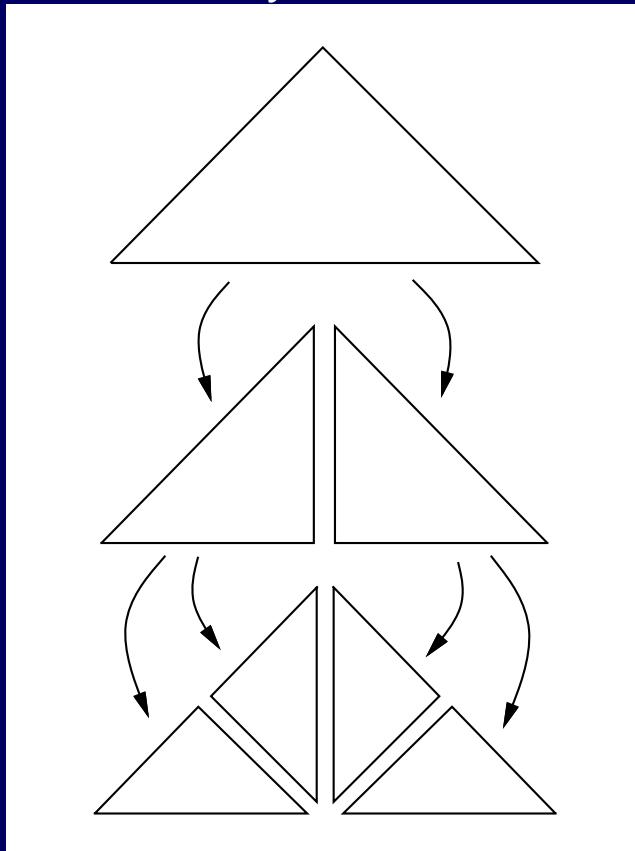
- Template



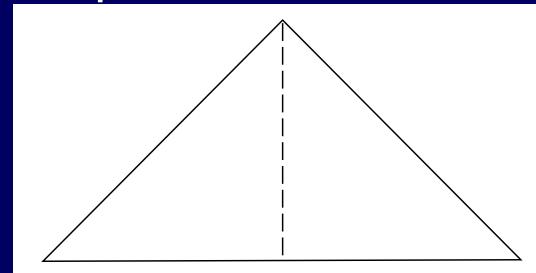
# Red-Black Refinement

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- Recursive Binary Subdivision



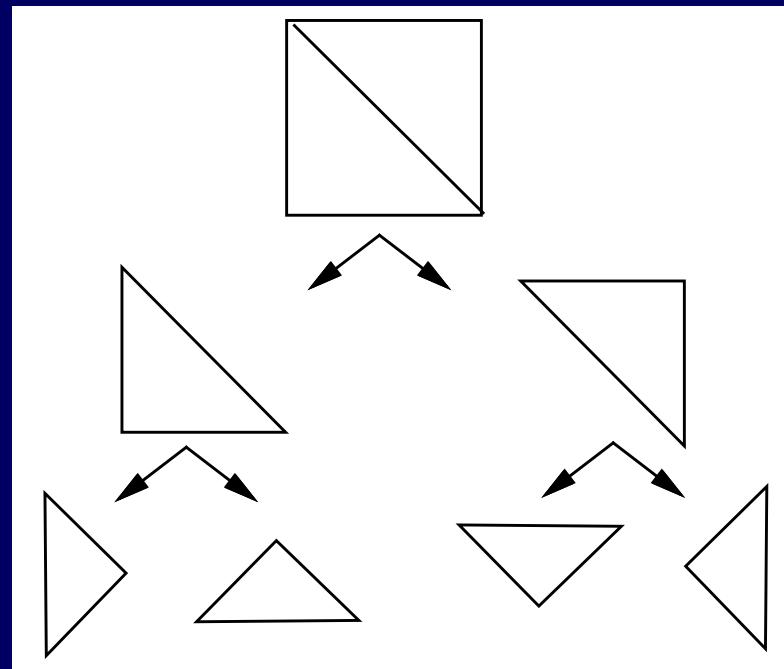
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# Hierarchy of Right Triangles

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- Binary Tree Representation

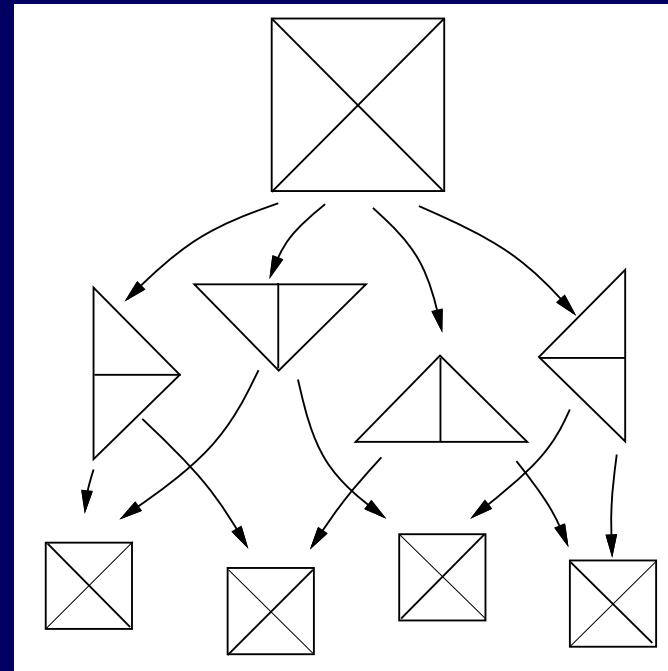


\* *Regular Case*  
(Terrain)

# Variable Resolution Multi-Triangulation

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- Dependency Graph (DAG)

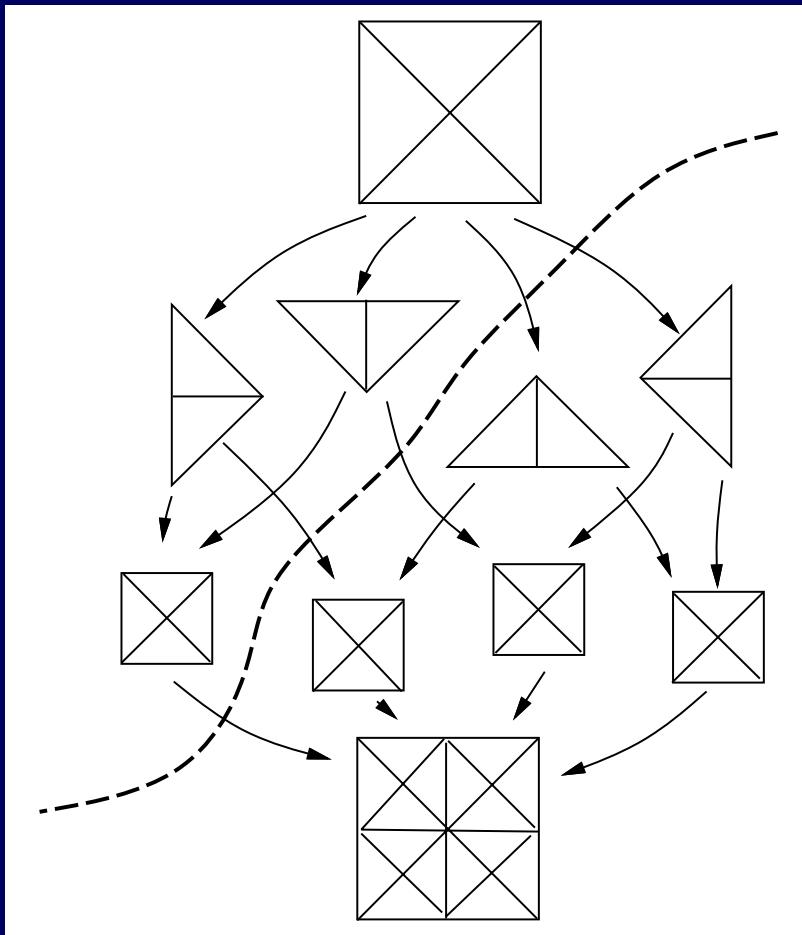


\* *Semi-Regular Case*

# Query Operations

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- Cut in the DAG

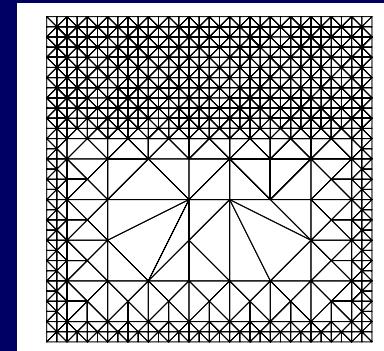
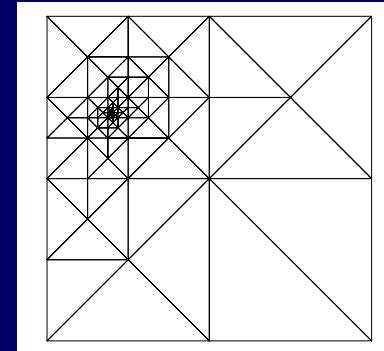


- Definition:
  - Threshold Function
  - Focus Set

# Mesh Extraction

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- Adapted Meshes
  - Geometry Approximation
  - View-Dependent
  - Etc.



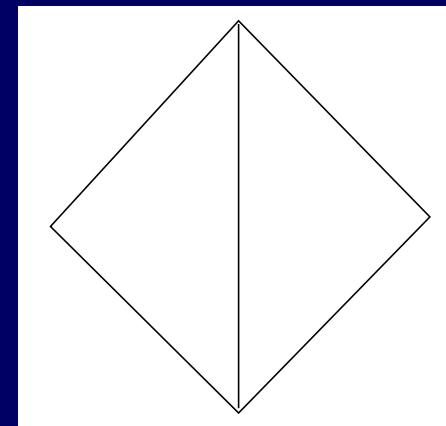
\* *Consistency by Construction*

# Construction Methods

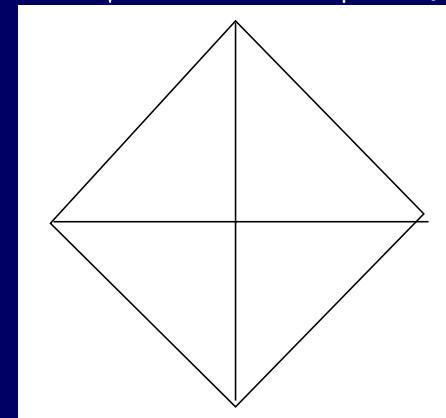
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- Local Modifications

- Refinement  
*(Edge Bisection)*
- Simplification  
*(Half Edge Collapse)*



refinement ↓ ↑ simplification



# New Developments

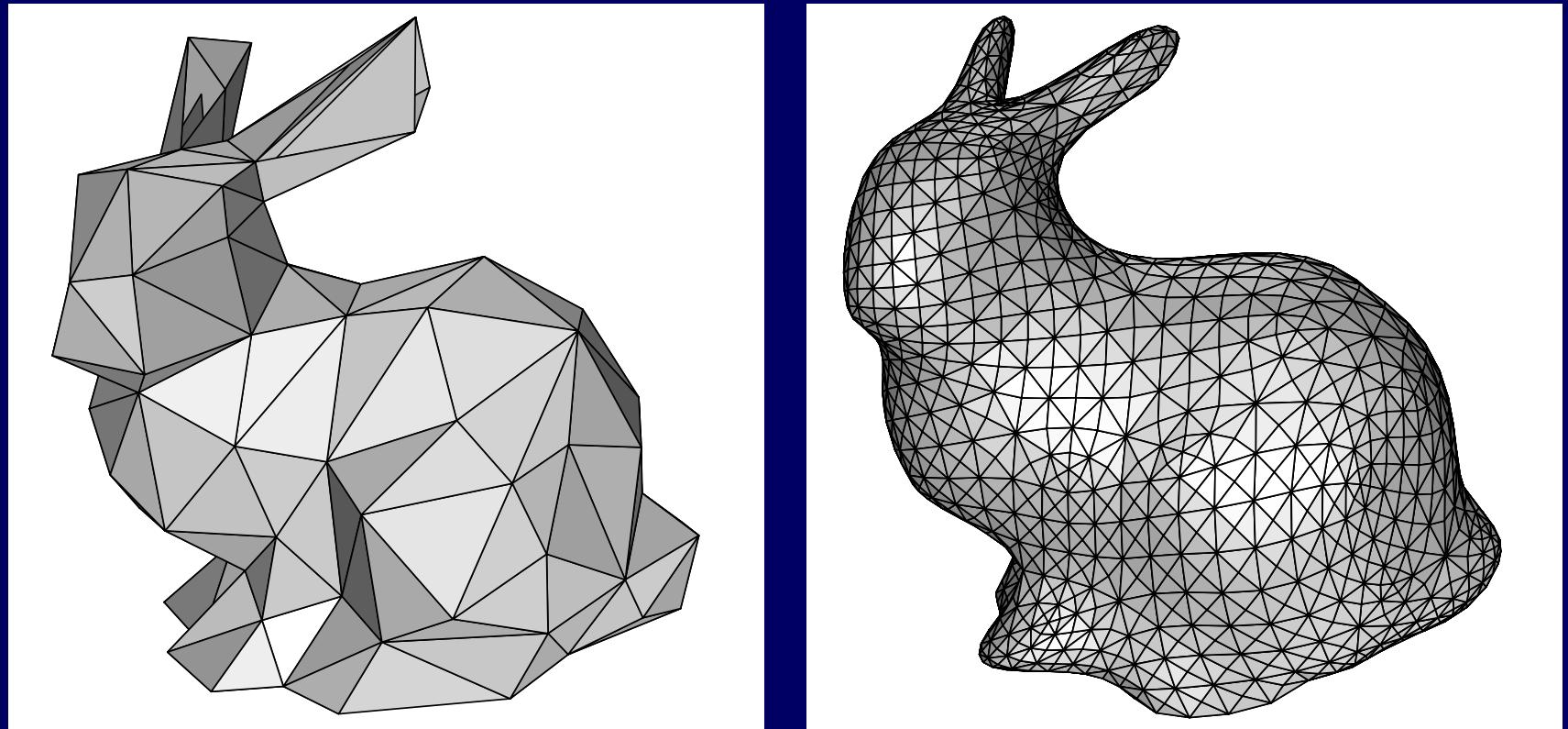
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- Refinement Methods
  - Topology-Based (Semi-Regular)  
*Generalized 4 direction Box Splines*
  - Geometry-Sensitive (Quasi-Regular)  
*Quasi 4–8 Subdivision Surfaces*
  - Adaptive (Irregular)  
*Tesselation of Parametric and Implicit Surfaces*
- Simplification Methods
  - Topology Preserving (Irregular)  
*2-Manifold Triangle Meshes*

# Four Direction Box Splines

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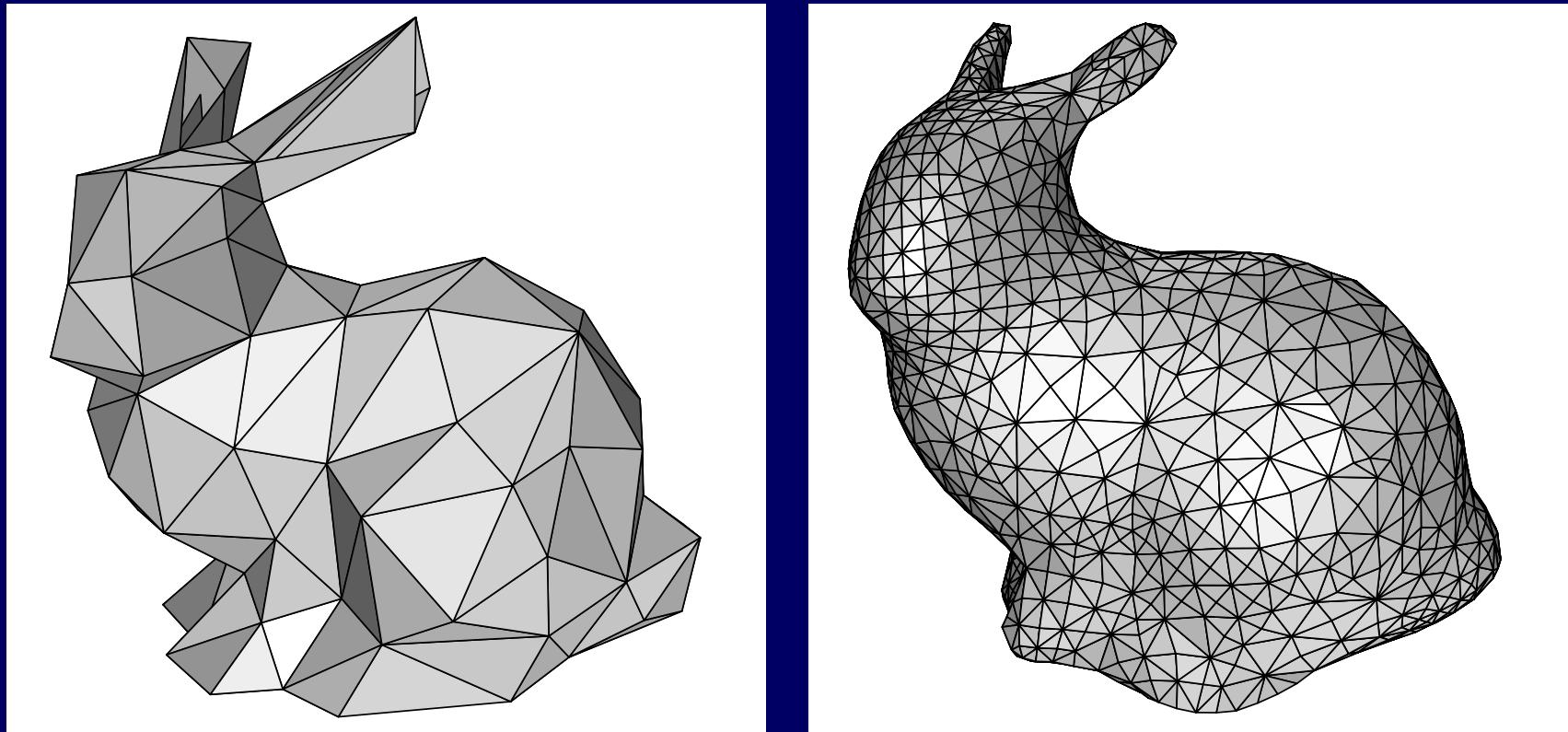
- Interleaved Edge Subdivision



# Quasi 4–8 Subdivision Surfaces

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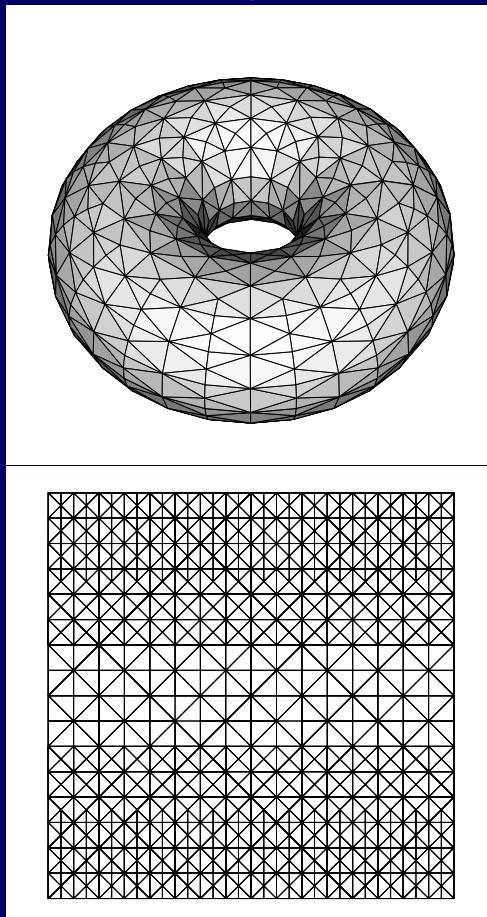
- Longest Edge Bisection



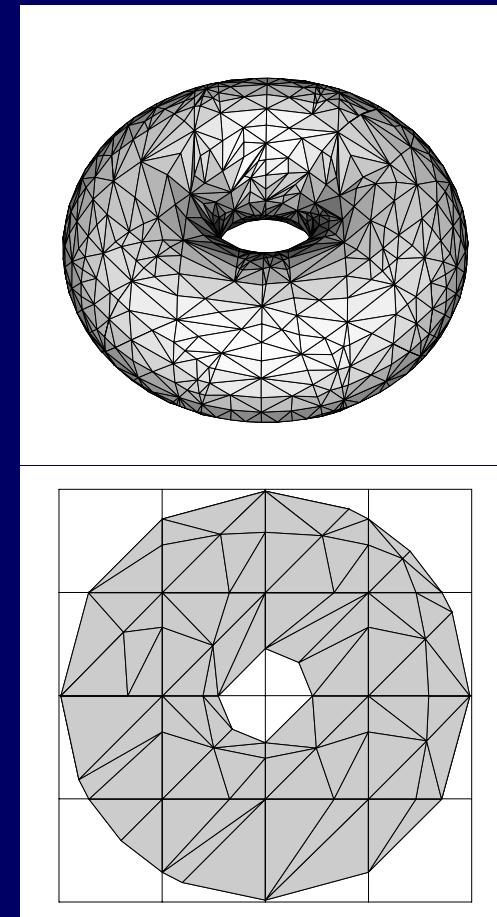
# Adaptive Surface Tessellation

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- Multiresolution Edge Sampling



parametric surface

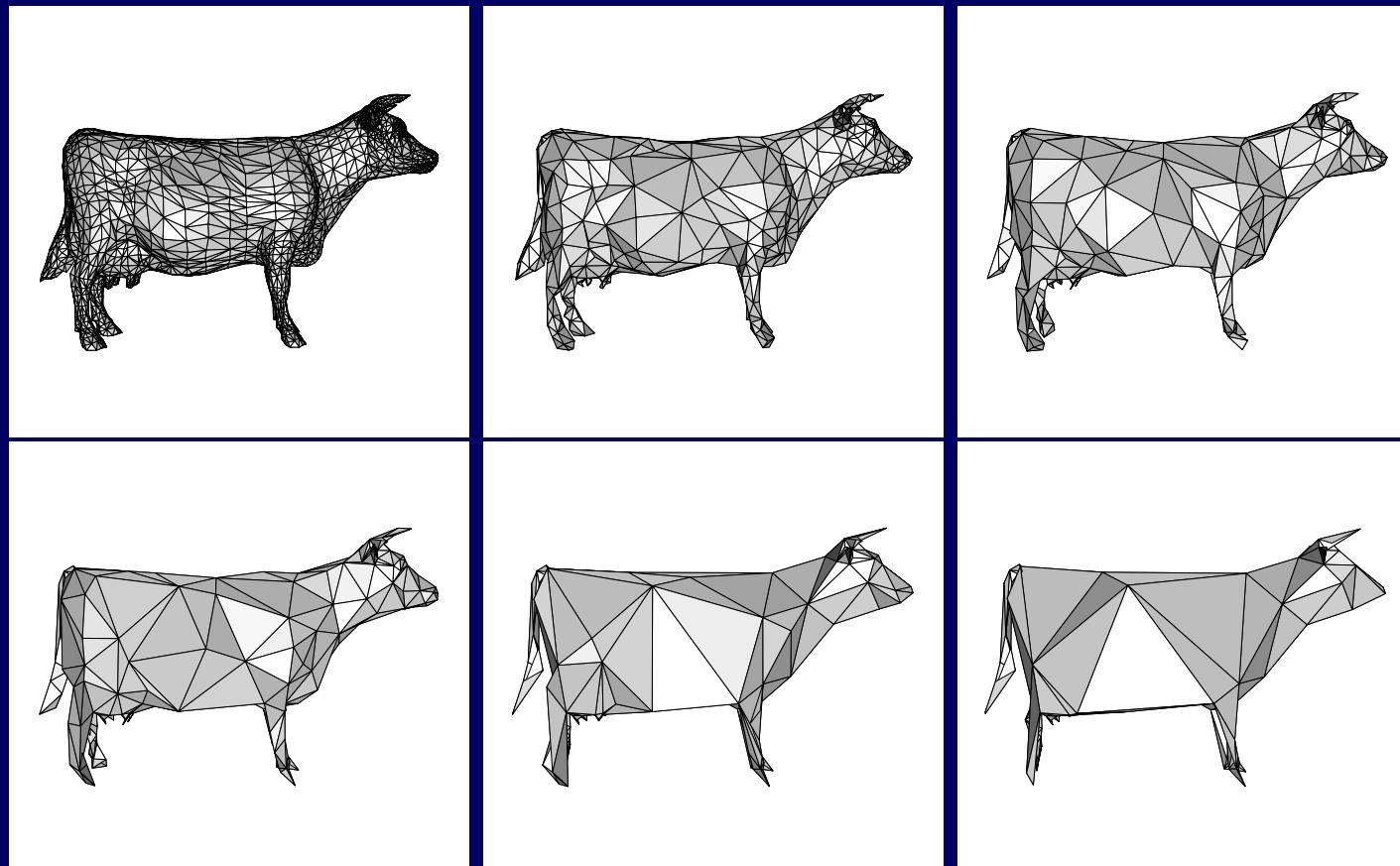


implicit surface

# Surface Simplification

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- Half-Edge Collapse and Edge Swap



# Future Work

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- Hierarchical Parametrizations
- Multiresolution Decomposition
- Space-Filling Hamiltonian Paths
- Integrated Framework