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## Motivation

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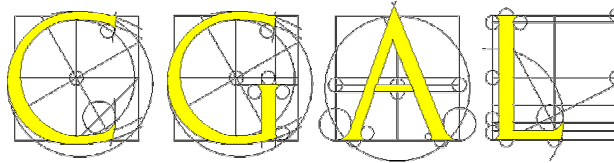
### **Computational Geometry Impact Task Force Report 1996**

*“Application Challenges to Computational Geometry”* had four key recommendations:

1. Production and distr. of usable (and useful) geometric codes
2. Interdisciplinary forums
3. Experimentation
4. Reward structure for implementations in academia



## Computational Geometry Algorithms Library



[www.cgal.org](http://www.cgal.org)

- Project Goal  
*“make the large body of geometric algorithms developed in the field of computational geometry available for industrial applications.”*
- C++ Library: Release 3.0.1 (Jan. 2004)

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## Development Started 1995

- ETH Zurich (Switzerland),
- Freie Universität Berlin (Germany),
- INRIA Sophia-Antipolis (France),
- Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg (Germany),
- Max-Planck-Institut für Informatik (Germany),
- RISC Linz (Austria),
- Tel Aviv University (Israel),
- Utrecht University (The Netherlands).



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## CGAL Developers 2004



## CGAL in Numbers

- 1200 C++ classes, 300 KLOC, 1100 page manual
- ~40 developer years
- supported platforms
  - Linux, Irix, Solaris, Windows (OS X)
  - g++, SGI CC, SunPro CC, VC7, Intel
- Release cycle of ~12 months
- 6000 downloads per year
- 795 Users registered on user list
- 43 Developers registered on developer list



## Development Process

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- Editorial board reviews submissions
- Developer manual
- Own manual tools; LaTeX source → PS, PDF, HTML
- 1-2 developer meetings per year, 1 week long
- CVS server for version management
- Bug tracking system
- Three internal releases per week
- Automatic test suites for different compilers/platforms



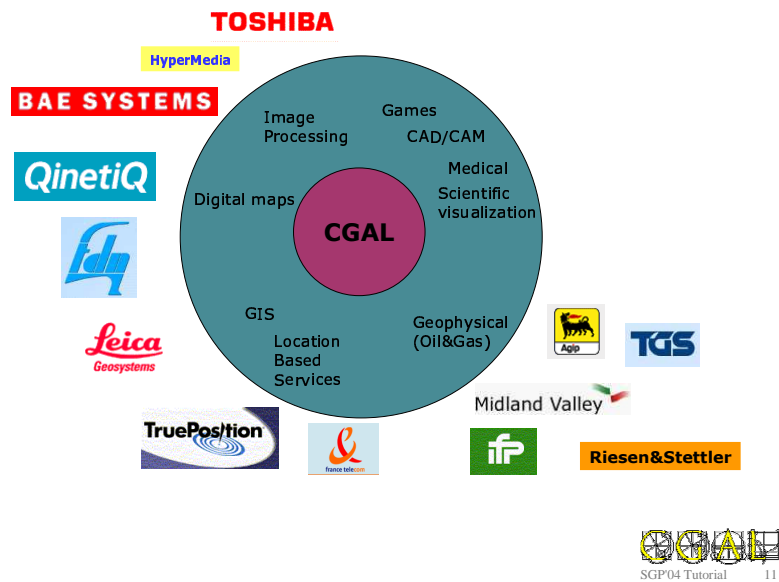
## Open Source License since 3.0 (2003)

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- A guarantee that CGAL remains free
- Promote CGAL as a standard for users
- Opens CGAL for new contributions
- Different licenses for different parts
  - **LGPL** for Kernel and Support Library
  - **QPL** for Basic Library
  - **Commercial Licenses** from CGAL Start-up  
**GeometryFactory**, founded by Andreas Fabri in 2003



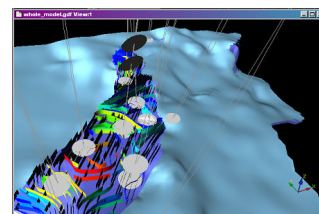
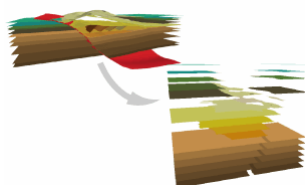
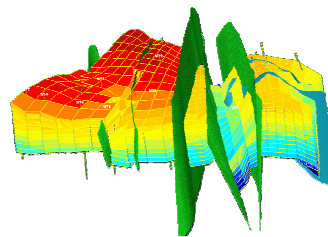
## Commercial Customers



## Midland Valley

Midland Valley

- 4DVista  
for modelling, visualization, and simulation of geological structures.



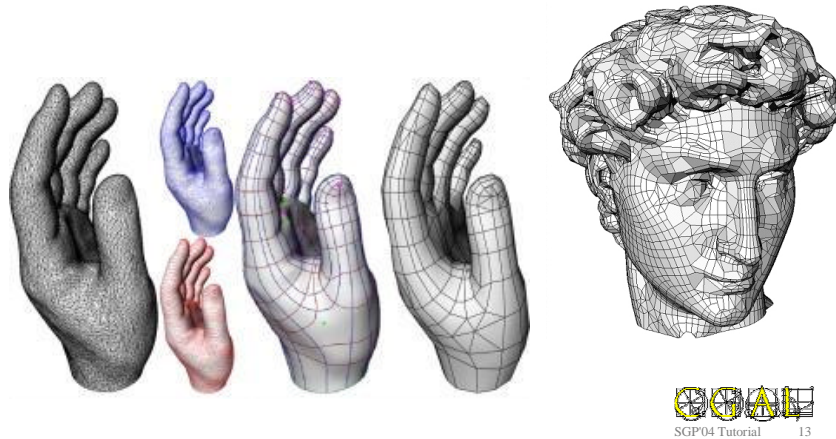
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## Academic Users of the Polyhedron

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- *Anisotropic Polygonal Remeshing.*

P. Alliez, D.Cohen-Steiner, O.Devillers, B.Levy, and M.Desbrun.  
**SIGGRAPH 2003.**



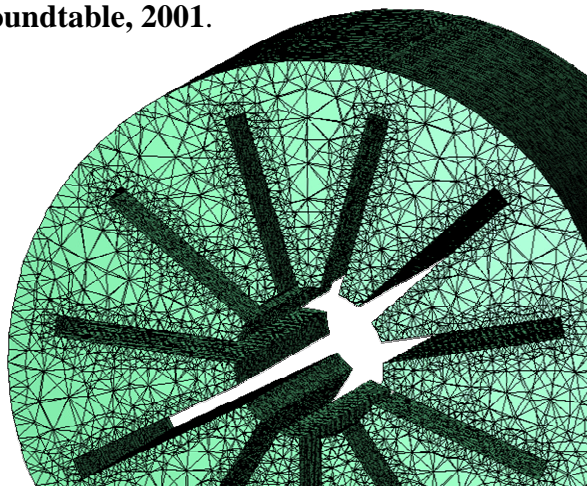
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- *Efficient and Robust Algorithms for Overlaying Surface Meshes.*

X. Jiao and M. T. Heath.

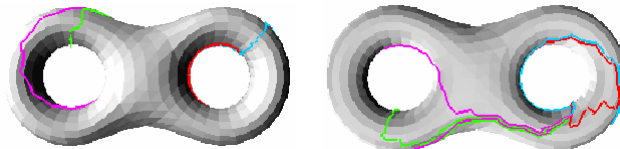
**Intern. Meshing Roundtable, 2001.**



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*Computing a Canonical Polygonal Schema of an Orientable Triangulated Surface.* F. Lazarus, M. Pocchiola, G. Vegter and A. Verroust.

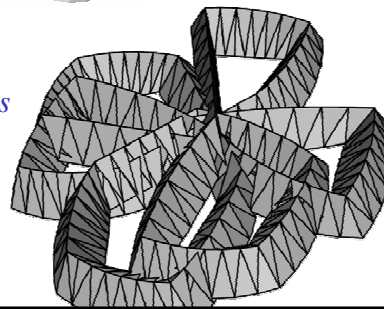
**Annu. ACM Sympos. Comput. Geom., 2001.**



*Controlled perturbation for arrangements of polyhedral surfaces with application to swept volumes.*

S. Raab.

**Annu. ACM Sympos. Comput. Geom., 1999.**



## Structure of CGAL

### Basic Library

Algorithms and data structures

### Geometric Kernel

Geom. primitives, predicates, operations

### Core Library

Configuration, assertions, ...

### Support Library

Visualization,  
File I/O,  
Numbertypes,  
Generators,  
...



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## Geometric Kernel

### Primitives

#### 2D, 3D, dD

- Point, Vector
- Line, Ray, Segment
- Triangle
- Iso\_rectangle
- Bbox
- Circle

- Affine transformation

### Predicates

- Order predicates
- Orientation test
- Incircle test

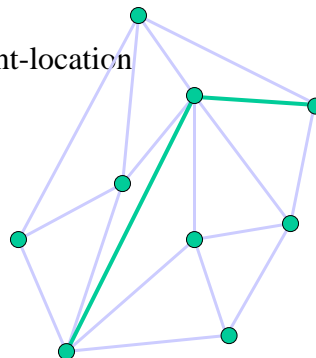
### Constructions

- Center point
- Intersection
- Squared distance



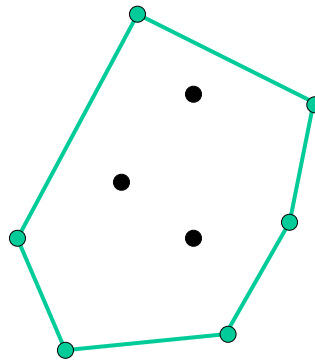
## Basic Library: Triangulation

- Triangle-based data-structure
  - compact, fast, walk for point location
- Delaunay/Voronoi
  - Delaunay hierarchy for fast point-location
- Constrained Delaunay
  - => terrain triangulations
- Regular triangulations
  - Weighted points, bio-geometry
- Tetrahedrization in 3D



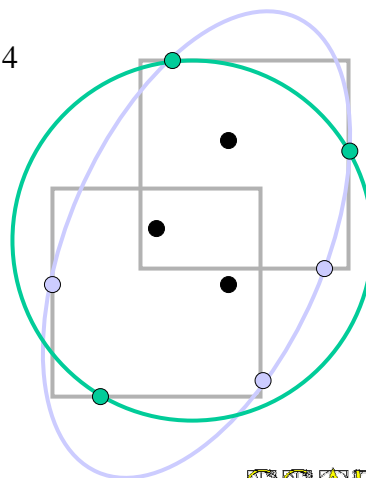
## Basic Library: Convex Hull

- 5 different algorithms for 2D
- 3 different algorithms for 3D
  - Static (quickhull)
  - Randomized incremental
  - Dynamic (tetrahedrization)



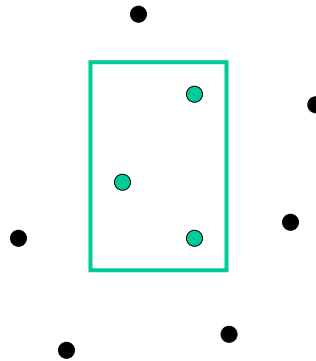
## Basic Library: Geometric Optimization

- Smallest enclosing circle and ellipse in 2D
- Smallest enclosing sphere in dD
- Rectangular p center,  $2 \leq p \leq 4$
- Width in 2D and 3D



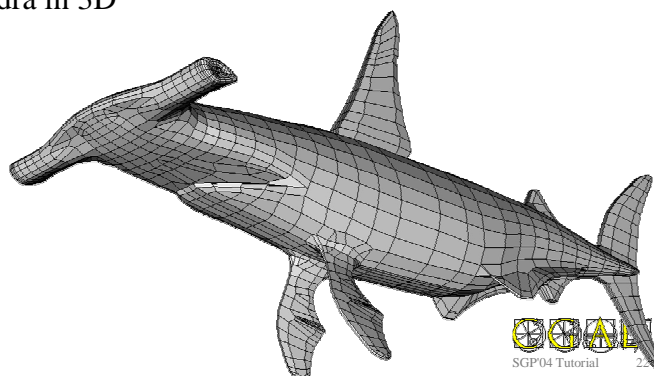
## Basic Library: Search Structures

- Range-, segment-, KD-tree
- Arbitrary dimension
- Mixed segment-range-trees
- Static
- Window query, enclosing query
- Nearest neighbors
- Approximate nearest neighbors



## Basic Library: Halfedge Data-Structure

- Polyhedral surface: orientable 2-manifolds with boundary
- Planar map and arrangements
- Nef polygons; closed under Boolean operations
- Nef polygons embedded on the sphere
- Nef polyhedra in 3D



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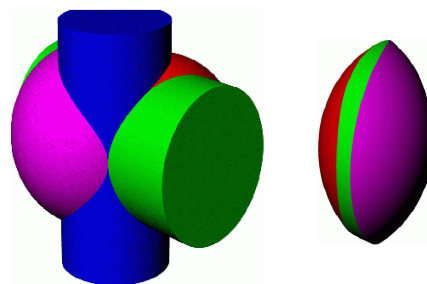
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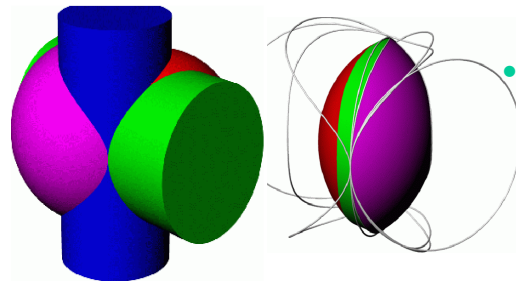
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$$p : \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

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256x256 pixel image

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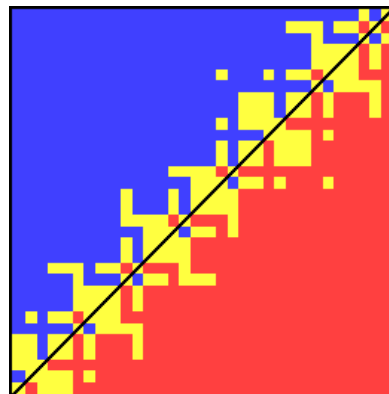
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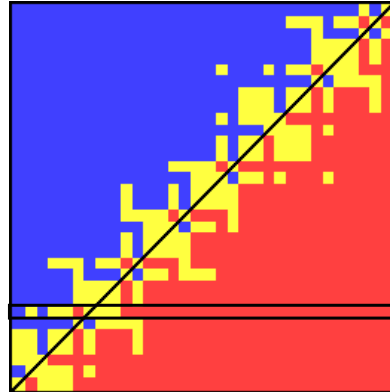
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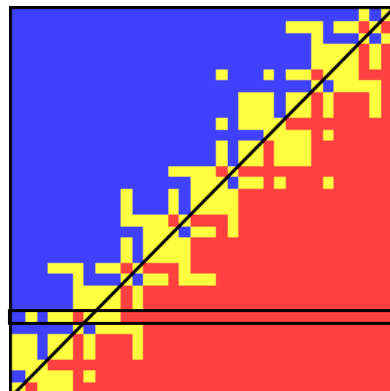
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block sizes of  $2^5$  and  $2^4$



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$$q: \begin{pmatrix} 17.3000000000000001 \\ 17.3000000000000001 \end{pmatrix}$$

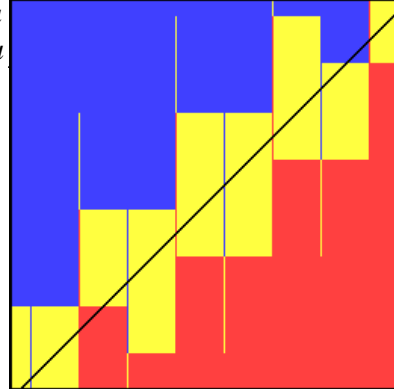
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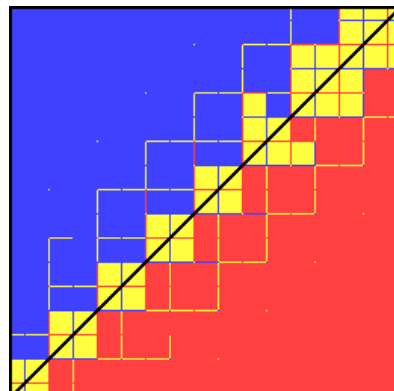
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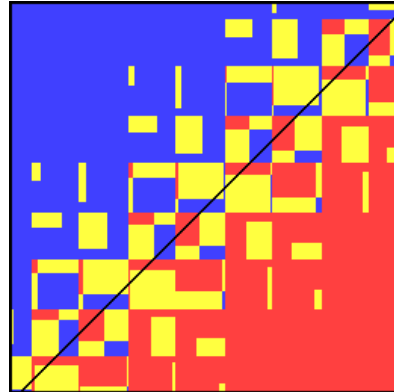
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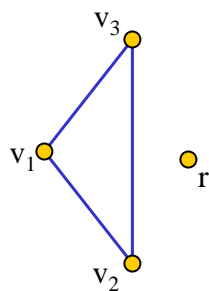
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orientation evaluated with `ext double`



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## Convex Hulls in the Plane

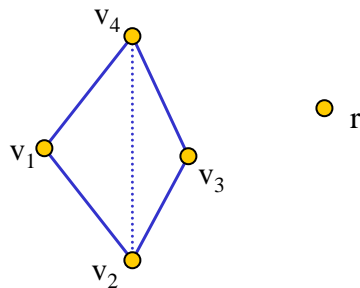


- maintain current hull as a circular list  $L=(v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{k-1})$  of its extreme points in counter-clockwise order
- start with three non-collinear points in  $S$ .
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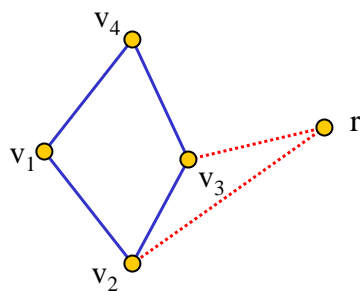
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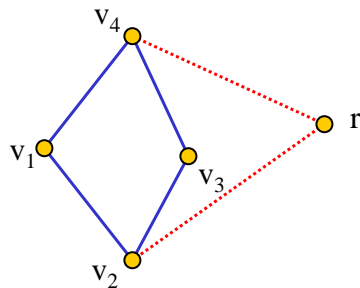
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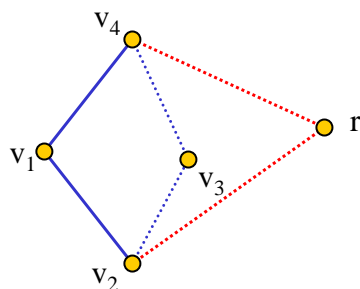


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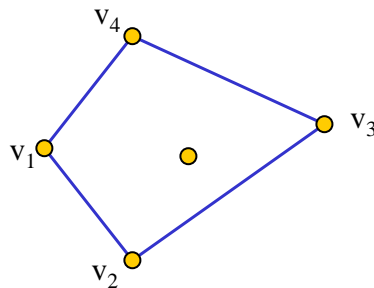


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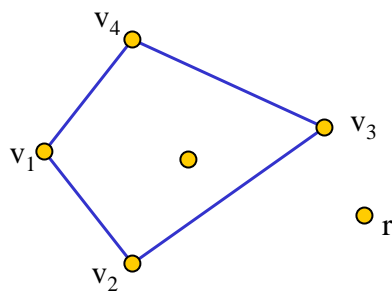
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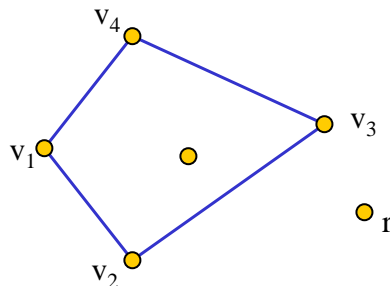


- **[Property A]** A point  $r$  is outside  $CH$  iff there is an  $i$  such that the edge  $(v_i, v_{i+1})$  is visible for  $r$ . ( $\text{orientation}(v_i, v_{i+1}, r) > 0$ )





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- **[Property B]** If  $r$  is outside  $CH$ , then the set of edges that are weakly visible (= orientation is non-negative) from  $r$  forms a non-empty consecutive subchain; so does the set of edges that are not weakly visible from  $r$ .



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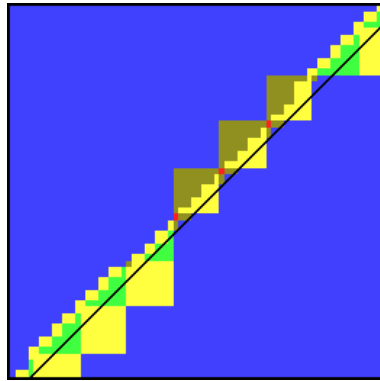
## Single Step Failures

- Systematic construction of instances leading to violations of properties **(A)** and **(B)** when executed with double's
- and in all possible ways
  - a point outside sees no edge
  - a point inside sees an edge
  - a point outside sees all edges
  - a point outside sees a non-contiguous set of edges
- examples involve nearly collinear points, of course
- examples are realistic as many real-life instances contain collinear points (which become nearly collinear by conversion to double's)



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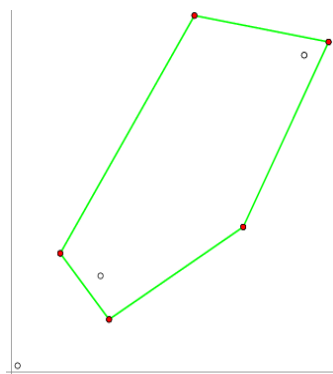
## Systematic Search



- a point outside sees no edge
  - $p_1 = (0.5, 0.5)$
  - $p_2 = (7.300000000000000194, 7.300000000000000167)$
  - $p_3 = (24.00000000000000068, 24.00000000000000071)$
  - $p_4 = (24.000000000000005, 24.0000000000000053)$
- $(p_2, p_3, p_4)$  form a counter-clockwise triangle
- Classification of  $(x(p_1) + x \cdot u, y(p_1) + y \cdot u)$  with respect to the edges  $(p_2, p_3)$  and  $(p_4, p_2)$ .
 

red = sees no edge, orange = collinear with one, yellow = collinear with both, blue = sees one but not the other, green = sees both

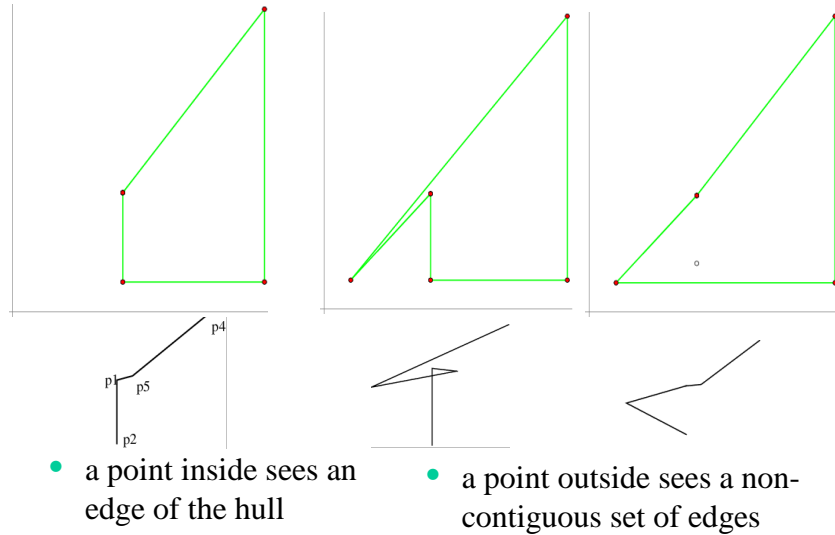
## Global Consequences I



[this run did not terminate!]

- a point outside sees no edge of the current hull
- a point outside sees all edges of the current hull

## Global Consequences II



## Antibes

- Arrangements of circular arcs



## Antibes

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- Arrangements of circular arcs, with double arithmetic



## Antibes

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- Arrangements of circular arcs, with float arithmetic



## What can be done?

- Redesign algorithms for FP arithmetic
  - works for some problems, no general theory
- Exact arithmetic
  - long integers, rationals,  $k$ -th roots, algebraic numbers
- FP filter for efficiency (interval arithmetic)
  - error bounds: static, semi-static, dynamic
- Type of arithmetic and filter depends on the application  
→ **Flexibility**



## Geometric Kernels

- Primitives, Predicates, Constructions
  - `Kernel::Point_2`
  - `Kernel::Left_turn_2`
- Convenient typedefs for common kernel
  - `Exact_predicates_inexact_constructions_kernel`
  - `Exact_predicates_exact_constructions_kernel`
  - `Exact_predicates_exact_constructions_kernel_with_sqrt`
- In principle choice of:
  - Cartesian and homogeneous representation
  - Reference counting and no reference counting
  - Floating-point filters as kernel adaptors or number types
  - `CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double> // non-robust!!!`



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  - $\sqrt{3}$ -subdivision using Euler-operators
  - Qt-subdivision using incremental builder
  - Combinatorial subdivision library (CSL) using policy-based design
  - Other useful geometric algorithms for polyhedra
- Demo of the Viewer



## Why Use a Library Solution?

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- Easy to get started with a first implementation
- Typical students homework assignment
- “I have already one and its good enough”
- Many pointers and pointer types
- Easy to get started, but not so easy to make it compact and fast (“It’s my 4<sup>th</sup> implementation”)
- Hard to debug
- Hard to maintain and adapt over time
- Many goodies can be re-used
  - File IO
  - Rendering
  - Self-intersection test



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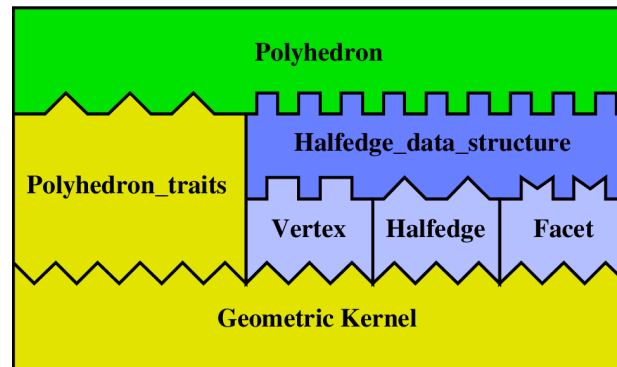
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- Is it fast enough?  
Yes; compile-time polymorphism, templates
- Is it small enough?  
Yes; can be tailored.
- Is it flexible enough?  
Yes; within the modeling space
- Is it easy enough to use?  
Yes; see this tutorial
- What is the license, can I use it?  
Yes, we hope so.



## Polyhedral Surfaces

Building blocks assembled with C++ templates

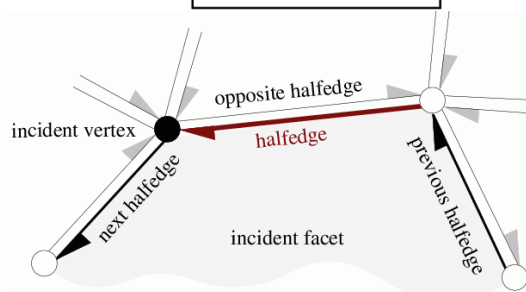


## Default Polyhedron

Vertex	
Halfedge_handle	halfedge()
Point&	point()
.....	...

Halfedge	
Halfedge_handle	opposite()
Halfedge_handle	next()
Halfedge_handle	prev()
Vertex_handle	vertex()
Facet_handle	facet()
.....	...

Facet	
Halfedge_handle	halfedge()
Plane&	plane()
Normal&	normal()
Color&	color()
.....	...





## Default Polyhedron

```
typedef CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double> Kernel;
typedef Kernel::Point_3 Point_3;
typedef CGAL::Polyhedron_3<Kernel> Polyhedron;
typedef Polyhedron::Vertex_iterator Vertex_iterator;

int main() {
    Point_3 p( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
    Point_3 q( 0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
    Point_3 r( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
    Point_3 s( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);

    Polyhedron P;
    P.make_tetrahedron( p, q, r, s);
    for ( Vertex_iterator v = P.vertices_begin();
          v != P.vertices_end(); ++v)
        std::cout << v->point() << std::endl;
}
```

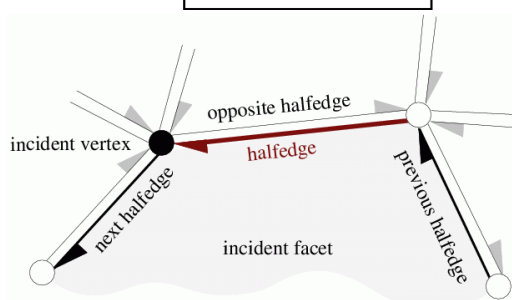


## Flexible Halfedge Data-Structure

Vertex	
Halfedge_handle	halfedge()
Point&	point()
.....	...

Halfedge	
Halfedge_handle	opposite()
Halfedge_handle	next()
Halfedge_handle	prev()
Vertex_handle	vertex()
Facet_handle	facet()
.....	...

Facet	
Halfedge_handle	halfedge()
Plane&	plane()
Normal&	normal()
Color&	color()
.....	...



## Add Color to Facets

```
template <class Refs>
struct CFace : public CGAL::HalfedgeDS_face_base<Refs>{
    CGAL::Color color;
};

// ...

typedef CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double>          Kernel;
typedef CGAL::Polyhedron_3<Kernel, ...>         Polyhedron;
typedef Polyhedron::Halfedge_handle             Halfedge_handle;

int main() {
    Polyhedron P;
    Halfedge_handle h = P.make_tetrahedron();
    h->facet()->color = CGAL::RED;
    return 0;
}
```



## Add Color to Facets

```
template <class Refs>
struct CFace : public CGAL::HalfedgeDS_face_base<Refs>{
    CGAL::Color color;
};

struct CItems : public CGAL::Polyhedron_items_3 {
    template <class Refs, class Traits>
    struct Face_wrapper {
        typedef CFace<Refs> Face;
    };
};

typedef CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double>          Kernel;
typedef CGAL::Polyhedron_3<Kernel, CItems> Polyhedron;
```



## Add Vertex\_handle to Facets

---

```
template <class Refs>
struct VFace : public CGAL::HalfedgeDS_face_base<Refs>{
    typedef typename Refs::Vertex_handle Vertex_handle;
    Vertex_handle vertex_ref;
};
```



## Flexible Polyhedral Surfaces

---

```
template <
    class PolyhedronTraits_3,
    class PolyhedronItems_3 = CGAL::Polyhedron_items_3,
    template < class T, class I>
    class HalfedgeDS          = CGAL::HalfedgeDS_default,
    class Alloc                = CGAL_ALLOCATOR(int)>
class Polyhedron_3;
```



## Default Polyhedron

```
typedef CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double> Kernel;
typedef Kernel::Point_3 Point_3;
typedef CGAL::Polyhedron_3<Kernel> Polyhedron;
typedef Polyhedron::Vertex_iterator Vertex_iterator;

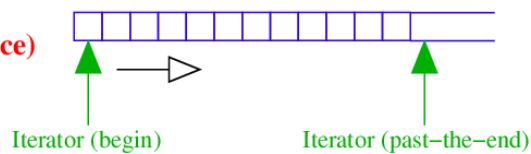
int main() {
    Point_3 p( 1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
    Point_3 q( 0.0, 1.0, 0.0);
    Point_3 r( 0.0, 0.0, 1.0);
    Point_3 s( 0.0, 0.0, 0.0);

    Polyhedron P;
    P.make_tetrahedron( p, q, r, s);
    for ( Vertex_iterator v = P.vertices_begin();
          v != P.vertices_end(); ++v)
        std::cout << v->point() << std::endl;
}
```



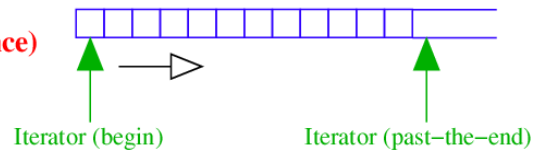
## Iterators

**Container  
(linear sequence)**

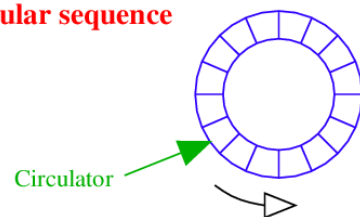


## Iterators and Circulators

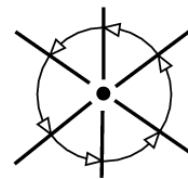
**Container  
(linear sequence)**



**Circular sequence**



For example:  
graph vertex



## Render all Facets

```
typedef Polyhedron::Facet_iterator      Facet_iterator;
typedef Polyhedron::Halfedge_around_facet_circulator
                                     Halfedge_facet_circulator;

for ( Facet_iterator i = P.facets_begin();
      i != P.facets_end(); ++i) {
    Halfedge_facet_circulator j = i->facet_begin();
    CGAL_assertion( CGAL::circulator_size(j) >= 3 );
    glBegin( GL_POLYGON );
    do {
        glVertex3dv( &(j->vertex()->point().x()) );
    } while ( ++j != i->facet_begin() );
    glEnd();
}
```



## Polyhedral Surface

### Polyhedron

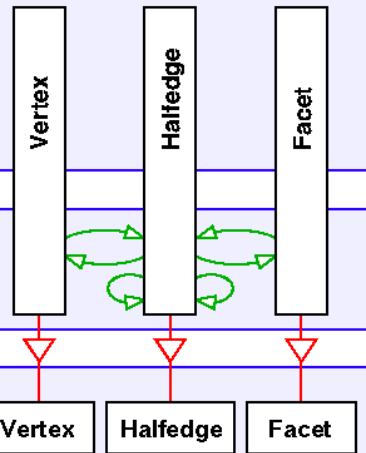
- provides ease-of-use
- protects combinatorial integrity
- defines circulators
- defines extended vertex, halfedge, facet

### Halfedge\_data\_structure

- manages storage (container class)
- defines iterators

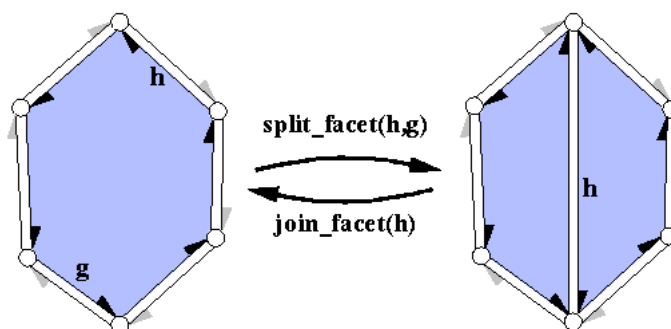
### Items

- stores actual information
- contains user added data and functions

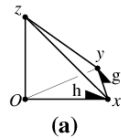


## Euler Operators

- Preserve the Euler-Poincaré equation
- Abstract from direct pointer manipulations



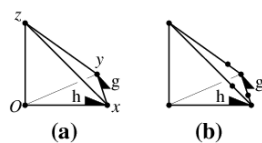
## Create a Cube with Euler Operator



```
Halfedge_handle h = P.make_tetrahedron(
    Point(1,0,0), Point(0,0,1),
    Point(0,0,0), Point(0,1,0));
Halfedge_handle g = h->next()->opposite()->next(); (a)
```



## Create a Cube with Euler Operator

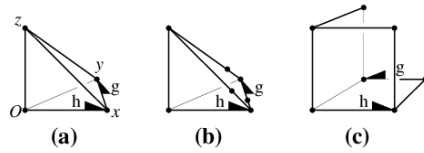


```
Halfedge_handle h = P.make_tetrahedron(
    Point(1,0,0), Point(0,0,1),
    Point(0,0,0), Point(0,1,0));
Halfedge_handle g = h->next()->opposite()->next(); (a)

P.split_edge( h->next());
P.split_edge( g->next());
P.split_edge( g); (b)
```



## Create a Cube with Euler Operator

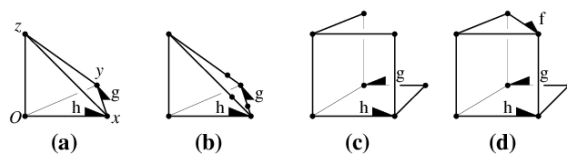


```
h->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 1, 0, 1);
g->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 0, 1, 1);
g->opposite()->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 0); (c)
```



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## Create a Cube with Euler Operator



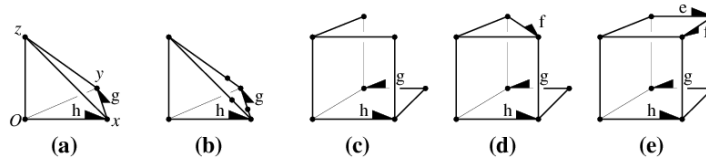
```
h->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 1, 0, 1);
g->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 0, 1, 1);
g->opposite()->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 0); (c)
Halfedge_handle f = P.split_facet( g->next(),
                                   g->next()->next()->next()); (d)
```



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## Create a Cube with Euler Operator



```

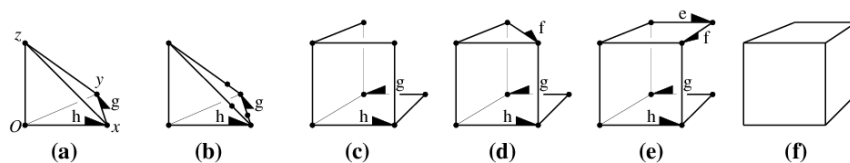
h->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 1, 0, 1);
g->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 0, 1, 1);
g->opposite()->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 0); (c)
Halfedge_handle f = P.split_facet( g->next(),
                                   g->next()->next()->next()); (d)
Halfedge_handle e = P.split_edge( f);
e->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 1); (e)

```



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## Create a Cube with Euler Operator



```

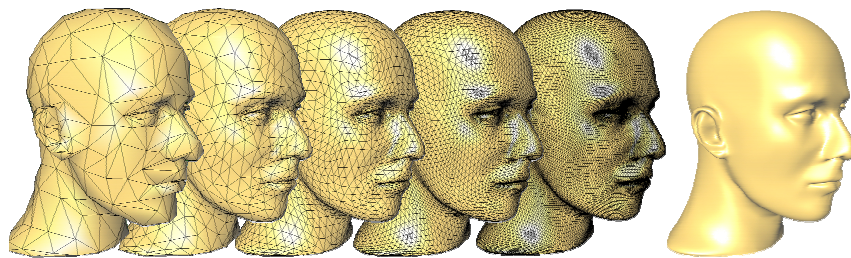
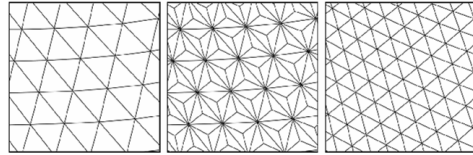
h->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 1, 0, 1);
g->next()->vertex()->point()      = Point( 0, 1, 1);
g->opposite()->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 0); (c)
Halfedge_handle f = P.split_facet( g->next(),
                                   g->next()->next()->next()); (d)
Halfedge_handle e = P.split_edge( f);
e->vertex()->point() = Point( 1, 1, 1); (e)
P.split_facet( e, f->next()->next()); (f)

```



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## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]



## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]

- Barycentric triangulation of a facet exists as Euler-operator
- We need to compute the new point coordinates

```
void create_centroid( Polyhedron& P, Facet_iterator f){  
    Halfedge_handle h = f->halfedge();  
    Vector vec = h->vertex()->point() - ORIGIN;  
    vec = vec + (h->next()->vertex()->point() - ORIGIN);  
    vec = vec + (h->next()->next()->vertex()->point()  
                - ORIGIN);  
    Halfedge_handle new_ctr = P.create_center_vertex(h);  
    new_ctr->vertex()->point() = ORIGIN + (vec/3.0);  
}
```



## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]

- Edge-flip exists also as Euler-operator
- We need to compute the Smoothing rule for original points

```
struct Smooth_old_vertex {
Point operator()( const Vertex& v) const {
    std::size_t degree = v.vertex_degree()/2;
    double alpha = (4.0-2.0*cos(2.0*CGAL_PI/degree))/9.0;
    Vector vec = (v.point() - ORIGIN) * (1.0-alpha);
    Halfedge_around_vertex_const_circulator h =
        v.vertex_begin();
    do {
        vec = vec + (h->opposite()->vertex()->point()
            - ORIGIN) * alpha/degree;
        ++ h; ++ h;
    } while ( h != v.vertex_begin());
    return (ORIGIN + vec);
};
```



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## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]

```
void subdiv( Polyhedron& P) {
    std::size_t nv = P.size_of_vertices();
    Vertex_iterator last_v = P.vertices_end();
    --last_v; // the last of the old vertices
    Edge_iterator last_e = P.edges_end();
    --last_e; // the last of the old edges
    Facet_iterator last_f = P.facets_end();
    --last_f; // the last of the old facets
    Facet_iterator f = P.facets_begin(); // centroids
    do {
        create_centroid( P, f);
    } while ( f++ != last_f);
    std::vector<Point> pts; // smooth old vertices
    pts.reserve( nv); // space for the new points
    ++ last_v; // move to past-the-end again
    std::transform( P.vertices_begin(), last_v,
        std::back_inserter( pts), Smooth_old_vertex());
    std::copy( pts.begin(), pts.end(), P.points_begin());
    ++ last_e; // move to past-the-end again
    for ( Edge_iterator e = P.edges_begin(); e != last_e; ++e)
        P.flip_edge(e); // flip the old edges
}
```



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## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]

```
#include <CGAL/Simple_cartesian.h>
#include <CGAL/HalfedgeDS_vector.h>
#include <CGAL/Polyhedron_3.h>
#include <CGAL/IO/Polyhedron_ostream.h>
#include <iostream>
#include <algorithm>
#include <vector>

using std::cerr; using std::endl; using std::cout; using std::cin;
using std::exit;

class Polyhedron_min_item_3 {
public:
    template < class Refs, class Traits>
    struct Vertex_wrapper {
        typedef typename Traits::Point_3 Point;
        typedef CGAL::HalfedgeDS_vertex_base< Refs, CGAL::Tag_true, Point>
            Vertex;
    };
    template < class Refs, class Traits>
    struct Halfedge_wrapper {
        typedef CGAL::HalfedgeDS_halfedge_base< Refs, CGAL::Tag_true>
            Halfedge;
    };
    template < class Refs, class Traits>
    struct Face_wrapper {
        typedef CGAL::HalfedgeDS_face_base< Refs, CGAL::Tag_true>
            Face;
    };
};

typedef CGAL::Simple_cartesian<double> Kernel;
typedef Kernel::Vector_3 Vector;
typedef Kernel::Point_3 Point;
typedef CGAL::Polyhedron_3<Kernel, Polyhedron_min_item_3,
    CGAL::HalfedgeDS_vector> Polyhedron;

typedef Polyhedron::Vertex Vertex;
typedef Polyhedron::Vertex_iterator Vertex_iterator;
typedef Polyhedron::Halfedge_handle Halfedge_handle;
typedef Polyhedron::Edge_iterator Edge_iterator;
typedef Polyhedron::Facet_iterator Facet_iterator;
typedef Polyhedron::HalfedgeDS_halfedgeDS_vector HalfedgeDS_vector;
typedef Polyhedron::HalfedgeDS_halfedgeDS_vector HalfedgeDS_vector;
typedef Polyhedron::HalfedgeDS_halfedgeDS_vector HalfedgeDS_vector;

void create_centroid( Polyhedron& P, Facet_iterator f ) {
    Halfedge_handle h = f->halfedge();
    Vector vec = h->next()->point() - CGAL::ORIGIN;
    vec = vec + (h->next()->next()->point() - CGAL::ORIGIN);
    Halfedge_handle new_center = P.create_center_vertex( h );
    new_center->vertex()->point() = CGAL::ORIGIN + (vec / 3.0);
}

struct Smooth_old_vertex {
    Point operator()( const Vertex& v ) const {
        std::size_t degree = CGAL::circulator_size( v.vertex_begin() ) / 2;
        double alpha = ( 4.0 - 2.0 * cos( 2.0 * CGAL_PI / degree ) ) / 9.0;
        Vector vec = ( v.point() - CGAL::ORIGIN ) * ( 1.0 - alpha );
        HV_circulator h = v.vertex_begin();
        do {
            vec = vec + ( h->opposite()->vertex()->point() - CGAL::ORIGIN
                * alpha / degree );
            ++ h; ++ h;
        } while ( h != v.vertex_begin() );
        return ( CGAL::ORIGIN + vec );
    }
};

void subdiv( Polyhedron& P ) {
    if ( P.size_of_facets() == 0 )
        return;
    // We use that new vertices/halfedges/facets are appended at the end
    std::size_t nv = P.size_of_vertices();
    Vertex_iterator last_v = P.vertices_end();
    -- last_v; // the last of the old vertices
    Edge_iterator last_e = P.edges_end();
    -- last_e; // the last of the old edges
    Facet_iterator last_f = P.facets_end();
    -- last_f; // the last of the old facets

    Facet_iterator f = P.facets_begin(); // create new center vertices
    do {
        create_centroid( P, f );
    } while ( f++ != last_f );

    std::vector<Point> pts;
    pts.reserve( nv ); // get intermediate space for the new points
    ++ last_v; // make it the past-the-end position again
    std::transform( P.vertices_begin(), last_v, std::back_inserter( pts ),
        Smooth_old_vertex() );
    std::copy( pts.begin(), pts.end(), P.points_begin() );

    ++ last_e; // make it the past-the-end position again
    for ( Edge_iterator e = P.edges_begin(); e != last_e; ++e )
        P.flip_edge(e); // flip the old edges
}

int main() {
    Polyhedron P;
    cin >> P;
    P.reserve( P.size_of_vertices() + P.size_of_facets(),
        P.size_of_halfedges() + 6 * P.size_of_facets(),
        3 * P.size_of_facets() );
    subdiv( P );
    cout << P;
    return 0;
}
```



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## $\sqrt{3}$ -Subdivision [Kobbelt'00]

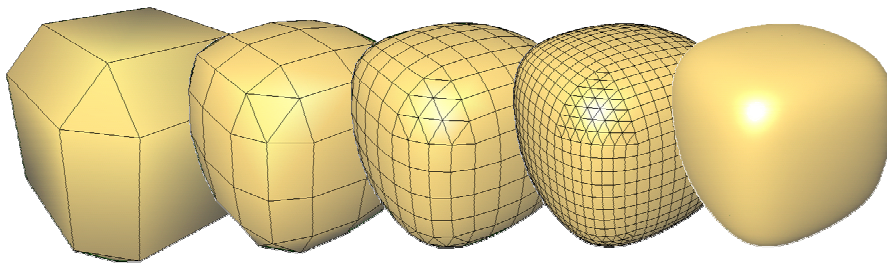
- Comparison with OpenMesh 1.0.0-beta4
- Lion vase: 400k triangles
- 2 subdivision steps

$\sqrt{3}$ -subdivision	CGAL		OPENMESH
	float	double	float
Lion vase: step 1	0.87	1.33	1.33
Lion vase: step 2	3.03	4.68	4.83



## Quad-Triangle Subdivision

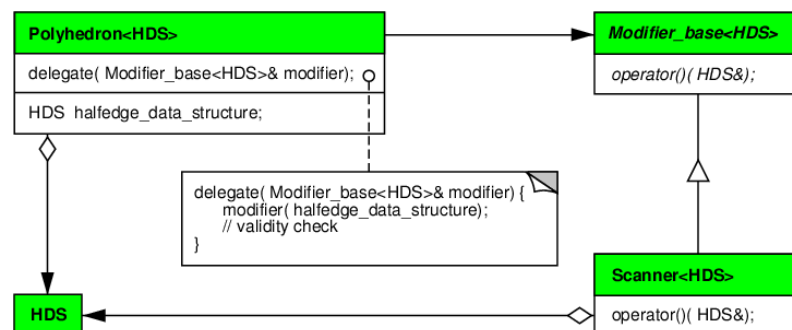
- [Levin'03] [Stam&Loop'03]
- Basically Loop subdivision on triangles and Catmull-Clark subdivision on polygons of the control mesh
- After one iteration the model has only triangles and quads



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## Quad-Triangle Subdivision

- Some schemes are easier to realize with the incremental builder that provides an indexed-facet-set type of construction
- Uses the modifier design to access the internal HDS



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## Make Triangle with Incremental Builder

```
template <class HDS>
struct Mk_triangle : public CGAL::Modifier_base<HDS> {
    void operator()( HDS& hds) { // Postcond: 'hds' valid
        CGAL::Polyhedron_incremental_builder_3<HDS> B(hds);
        B.begin_surface( 3, 1, 6);
        typedef typename HDS::Vertex    Vertex;
        typedef typename Vertex::Point Point;
        B.add_vertex( Point( 0, 0, 0));
        B.add_vertex( Point( 1, 0, 0));
        B.add_vertex( Point( 0, 1, 0));
        B.begin_facet();
        B.add_vertex_to_facet( 0);
        B.add_vertex_to_facet( 1);
        B.add_vertex_to_facet( 2);
        B.end_facet();
        B.end_surface();
    }
};
```



## Make Triangle with Incremental Builder

```
main() {
    Polyhedron P;
    Mk_triangle<HalfedgeDS> triangle;
    P.delegate( triangle);
    return 0;
}
```



## CSL: Combinatorial Subdivision Library

Policy-based design [Alexandrescu'01]

- **Host:** generic function – refinement, stencil correspondence
- **Policy:** template parameter – geometric smoothing

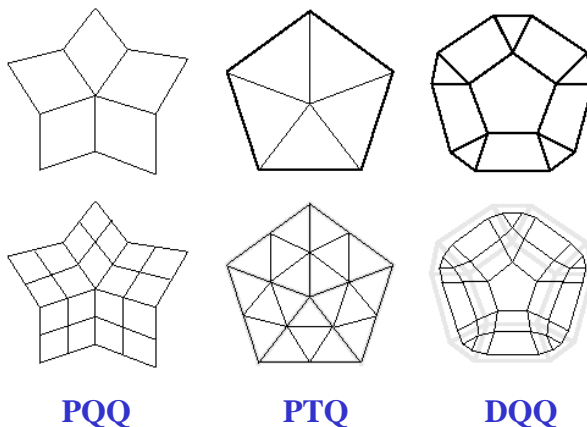
Example:

```
template <class Polyhedron>
void catmull_clark( Polyhedron& P, int step = 1) {
    quad_quadralize_polyhedron(
        P, CatmullClark_rule<Polyhedron>(), step);
}
```



## CSL: Combinatorial Subdivision Library

- Available refinement schemes (host functions):

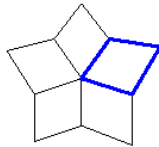


## CSL: Combinatorial Subdivision Library

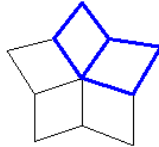
- Stencil correspondence (determined by host function):

### Catmull-Clark (PQQ)

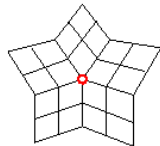
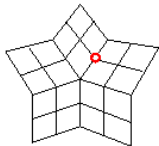
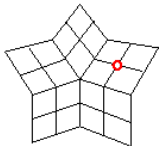
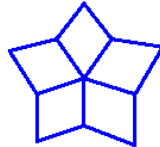
Stencil: facet



edge

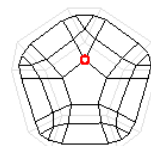
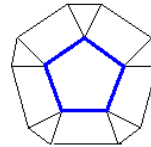


vertex



### Doo-Sabin (DQQ)

corner



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## Geometric Algorithms

### Self Intersection Test

- Based on fast box intersections [Zomorodian&Edelsbrunner'02]
- Needs exact predicates

### Smallest Enclosing Sphere (of Spheres)

- Linear time algorithm (randomized) [Fischer&Gärtner'03]
- Needs exact constructions, but robust with double's

### Convex Hull and Width

- Quickhull [Barber et al.'96], width can be quadratic
- Convex hull needs exact predicates, width needs exact constr.



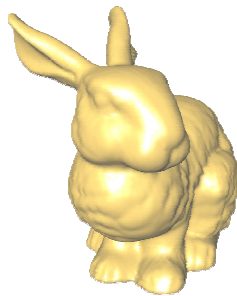
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## Geometric Algorithms

time in seconds	min. sphere		convex hull	min. width	self inter- section
	double	gmpq			
Bunny	0.02	14	3.5	111	2.3
Lion vase	0.19	396	13.1	276	15.5
David	0.12	215	20.3	112	31.5
Raptor	0.35	589	45.5	123	78.2

#F 70k



400k



700k



2.000k

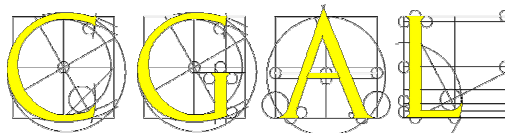


## Demo of the Viewer

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