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# Designing asymptotic geodesic hybrid gridshells

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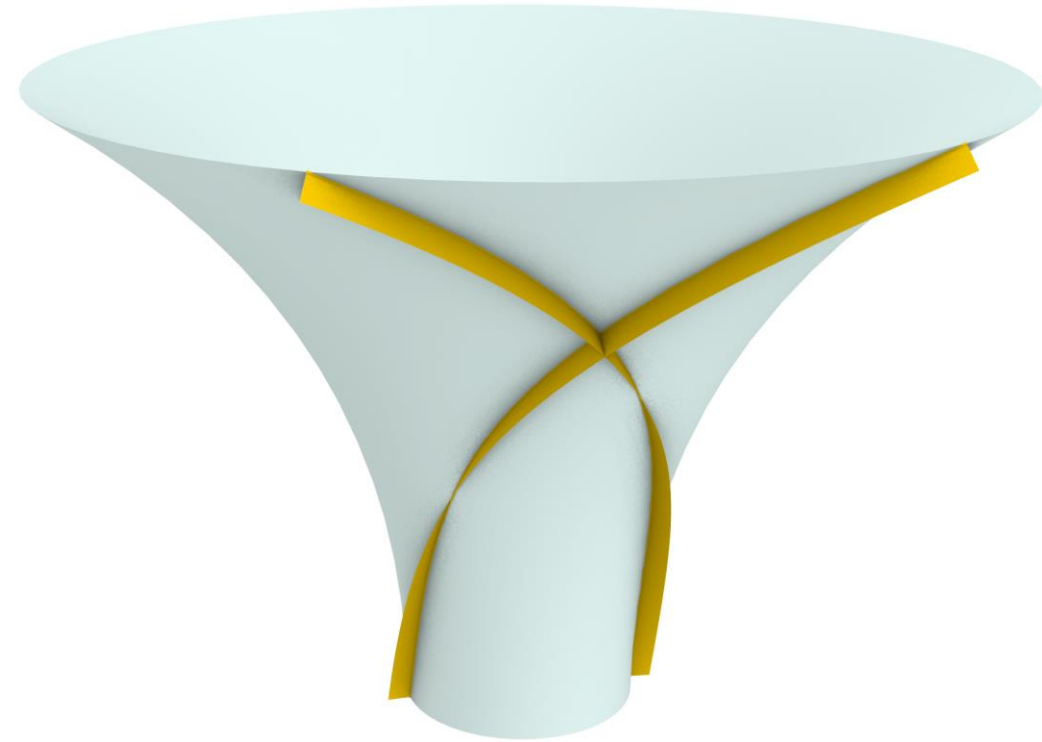
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# Introduction



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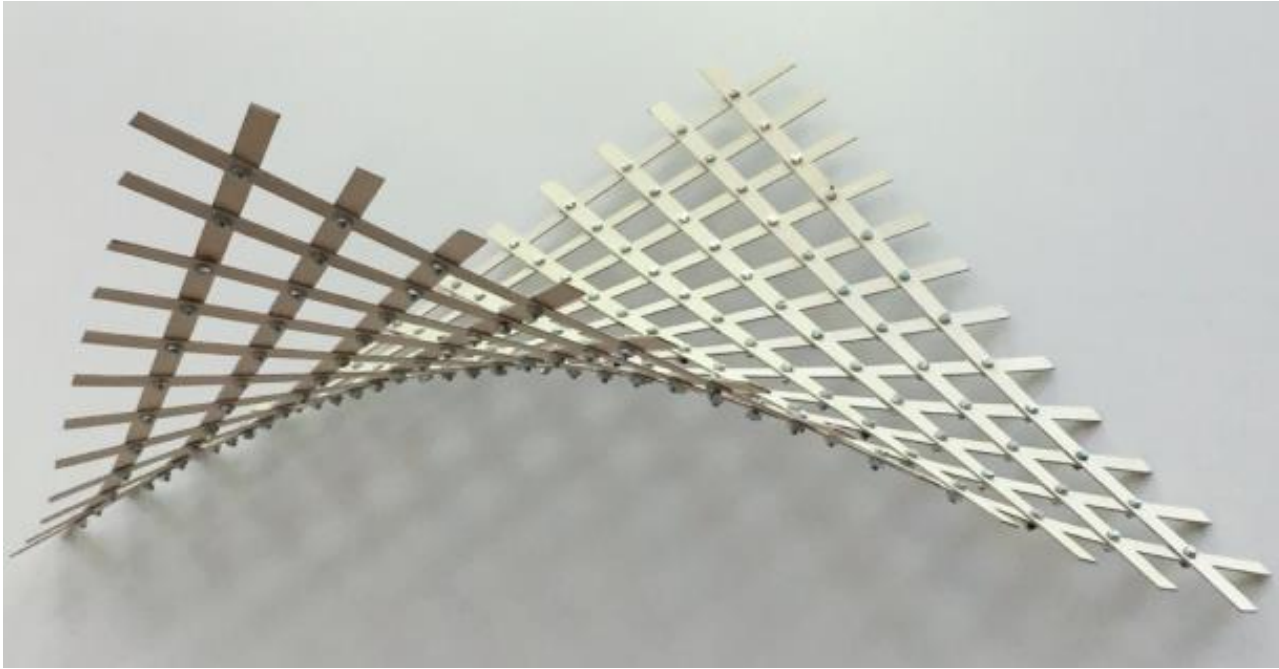
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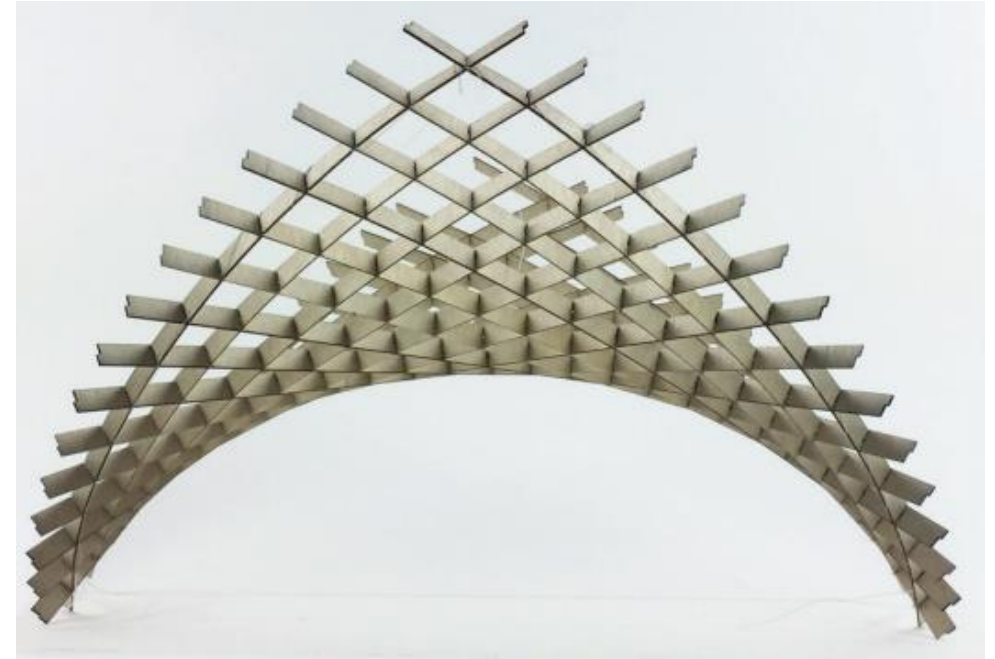
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# Motivation



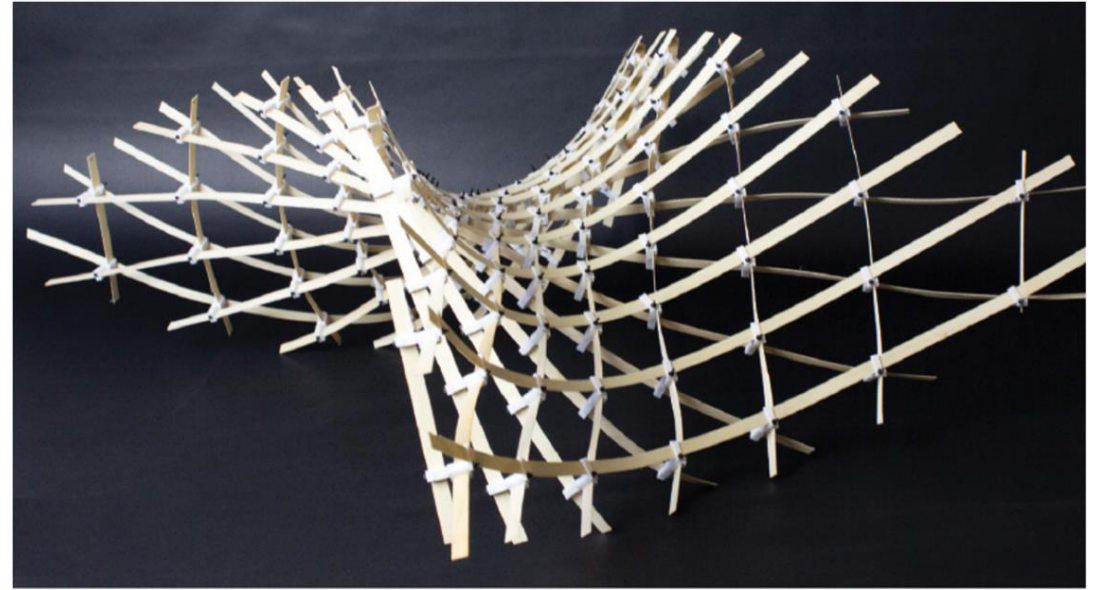
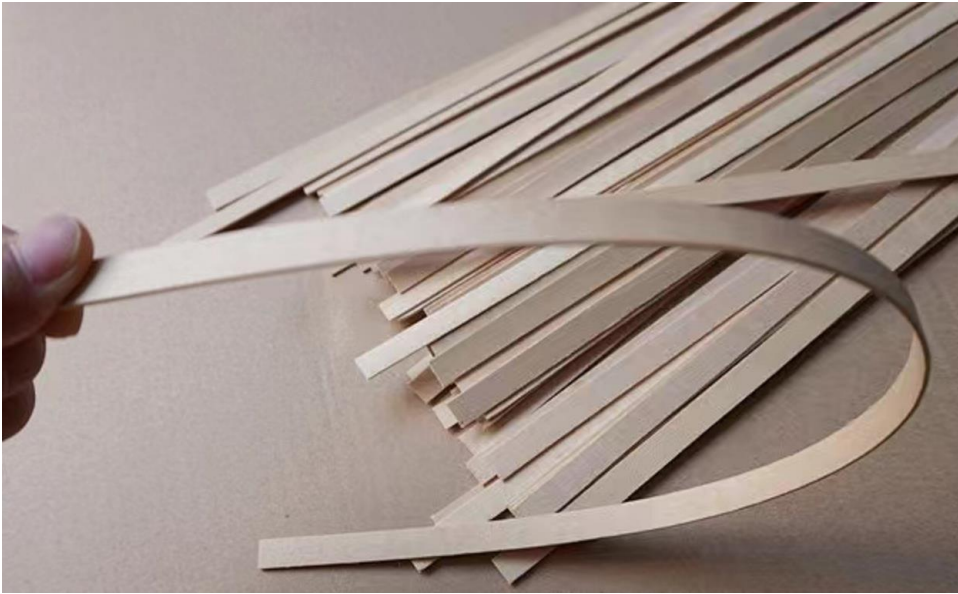
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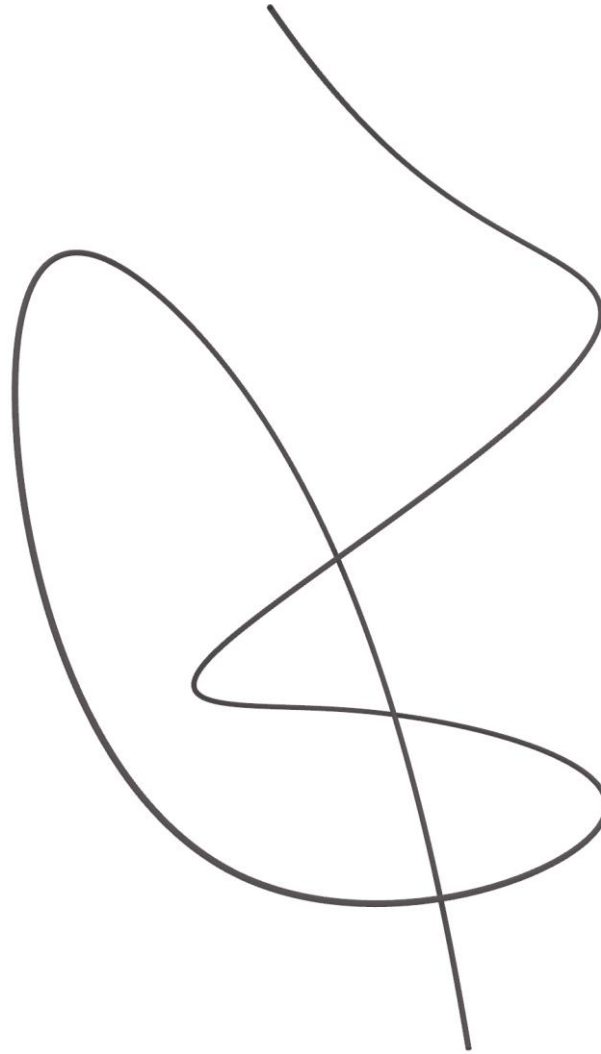
# Goal



# Elementary Differential Geometry



# Straight development



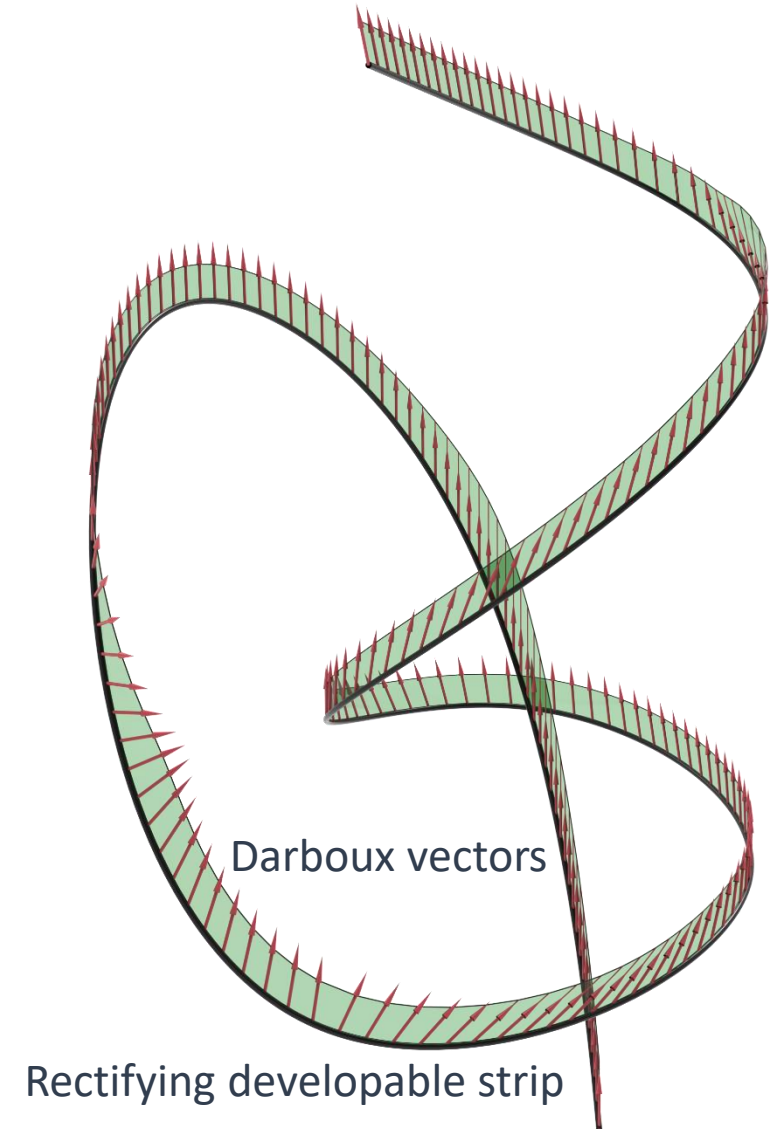
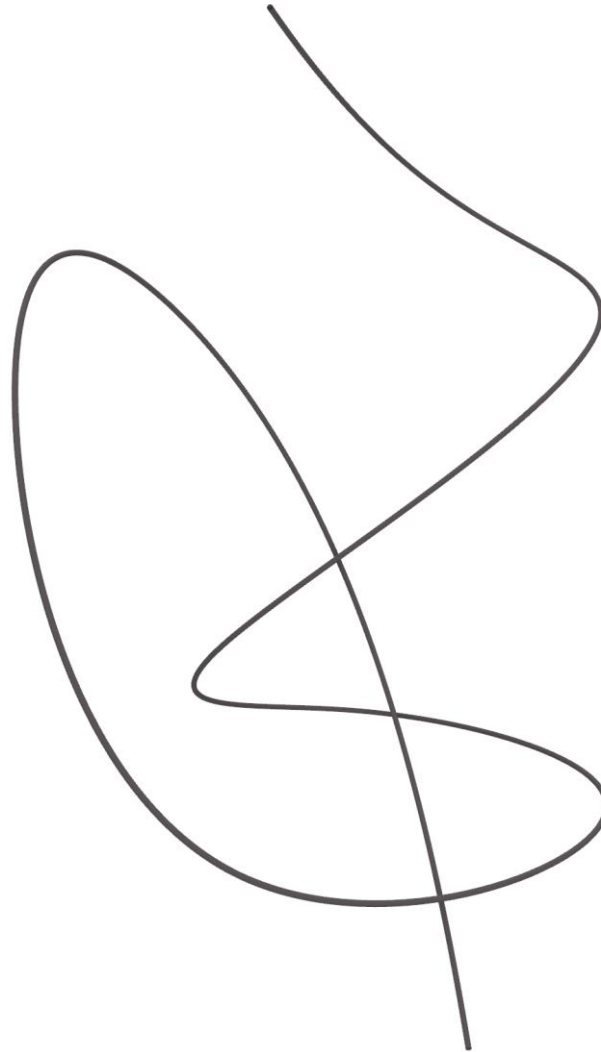
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- Developable surface
- Pass through it
- Straight development

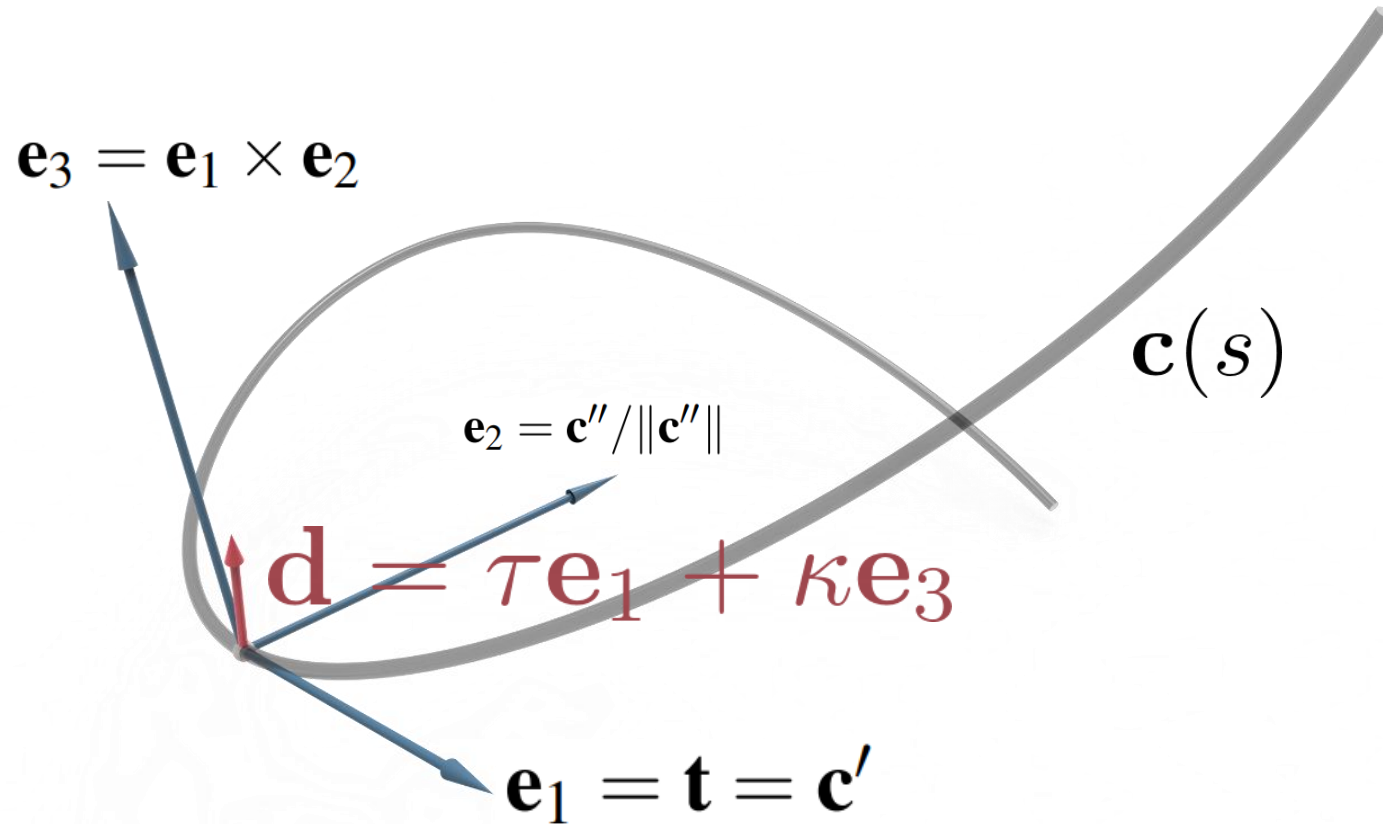




# Straight development



# Darboux vector



$$(\mathbf{e}_1(s), \mathbf{e}_2(s), \mathbf{e}_3(s))$$

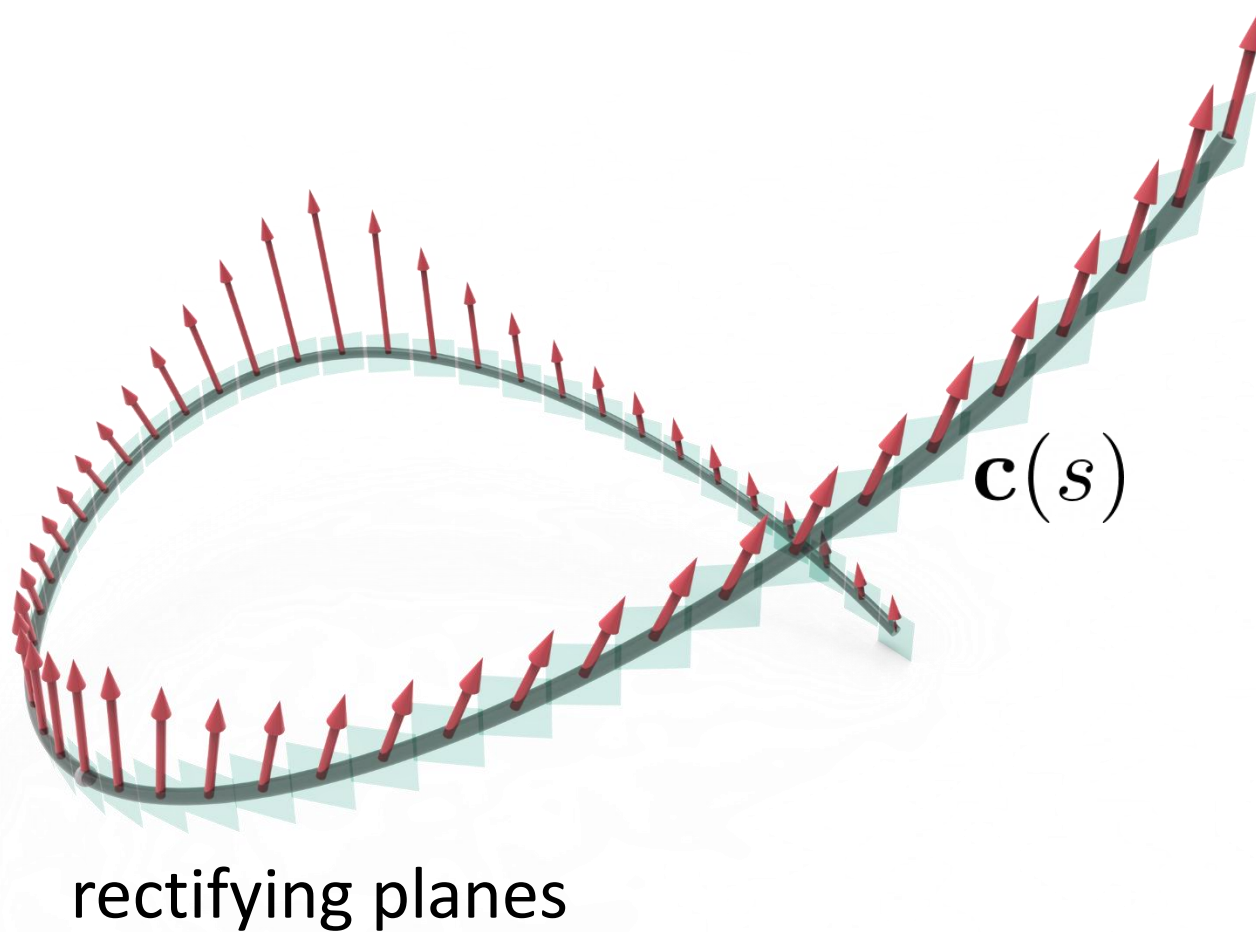
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}'_1 \\ \mathbf{e}'_2 \\ \mathbf{e}'_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \kappa & 0 \\ -\kappa & 0 & \tau \\ 0 & -\tau & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{e}_1 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 \\ \mathbf{e}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\kappa$ : curvature  
 $\tau$ : torsion

$$\mathbf{e}'_i = \mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{e}_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$



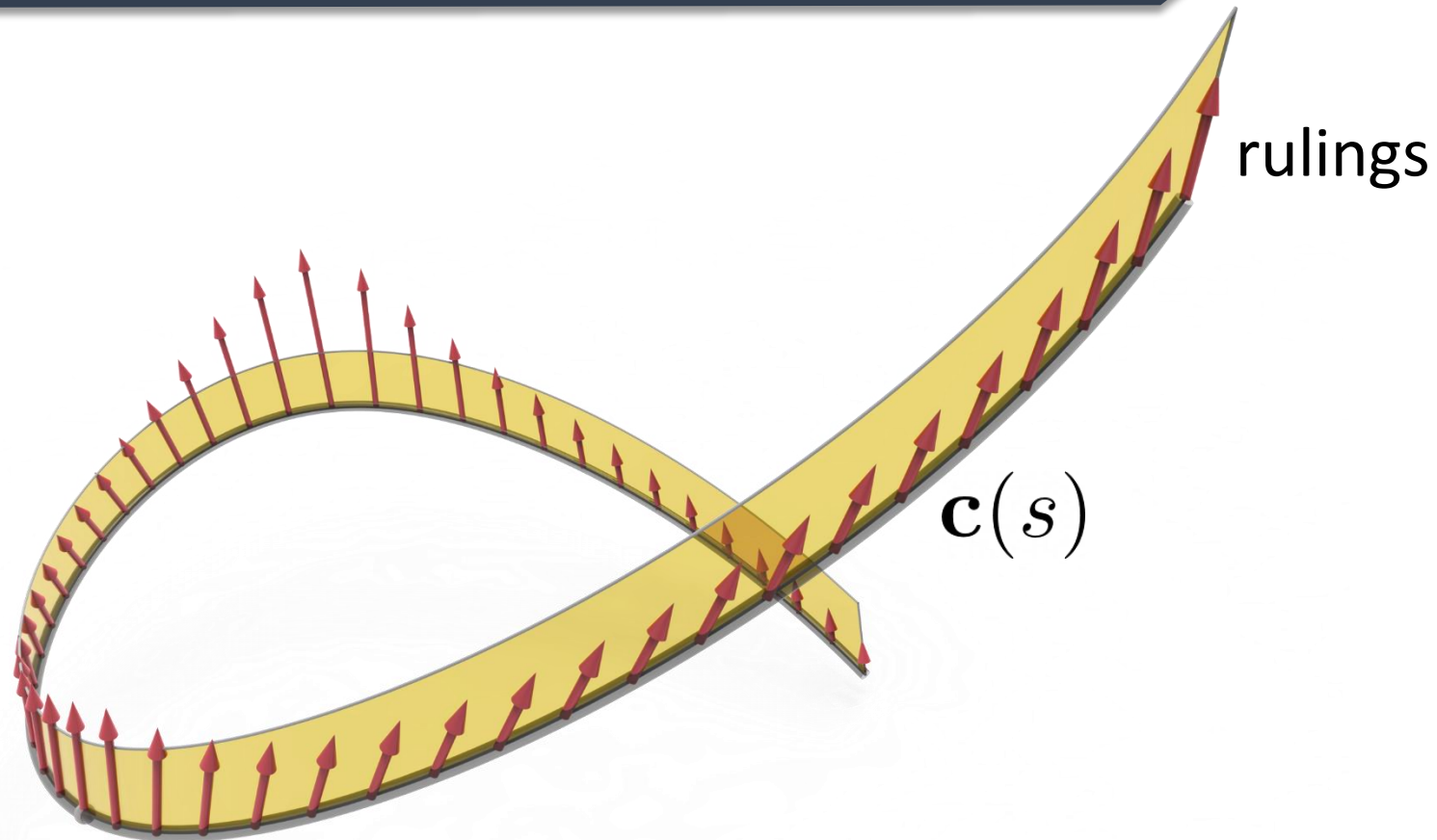
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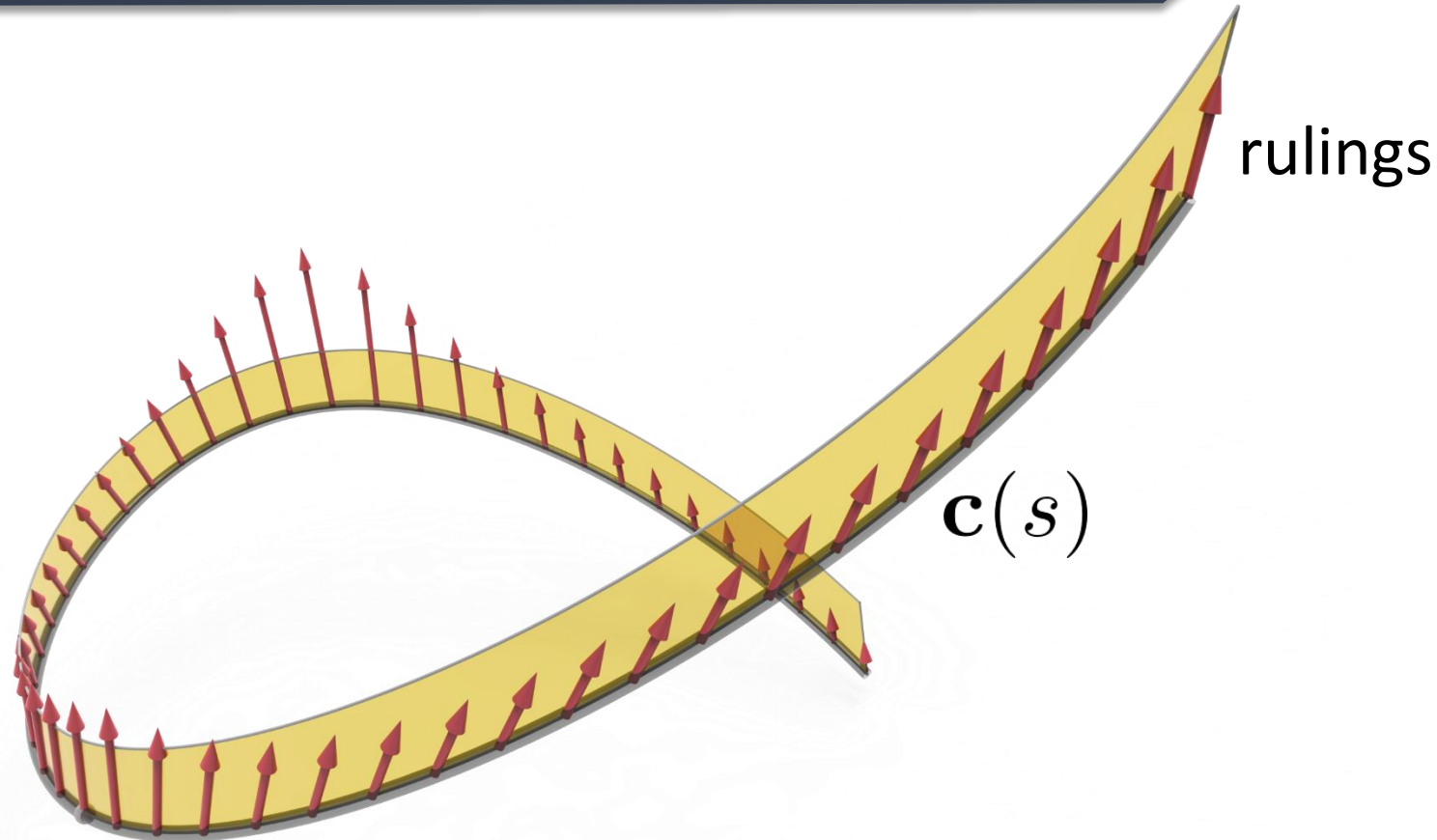
$$\mathbf{d} = \tau \mathbf{e}_1 + \kappa \mathbf{e}_3$$



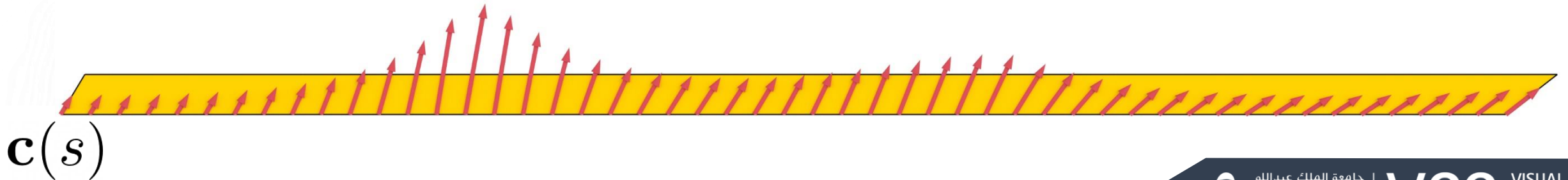
# Rectifying developable surface



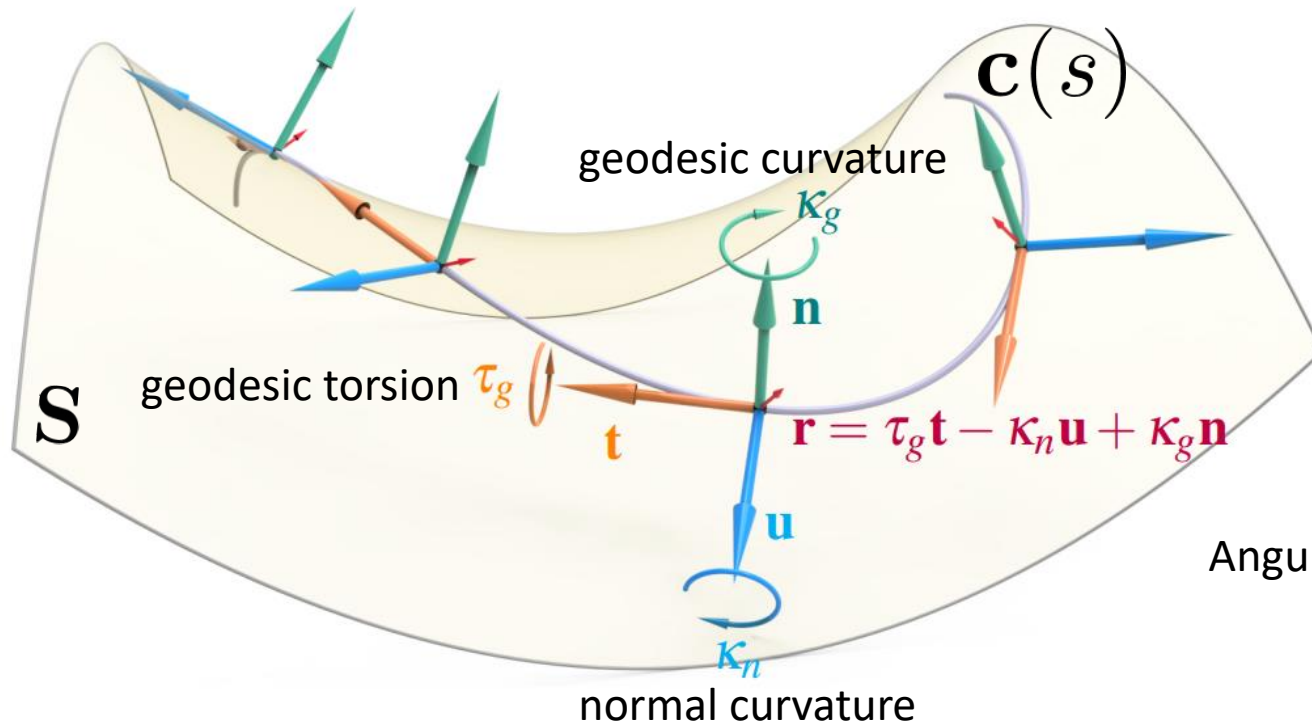
# Rectifying developable surface



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# Darboux Frame



$$(\mathbf{t}(s), \mathbf{u}(s), \mathbf{n}(s))$$

$$\mathbf{t}' = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{t}$$

$$\mathbf{u}' = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{u}$$

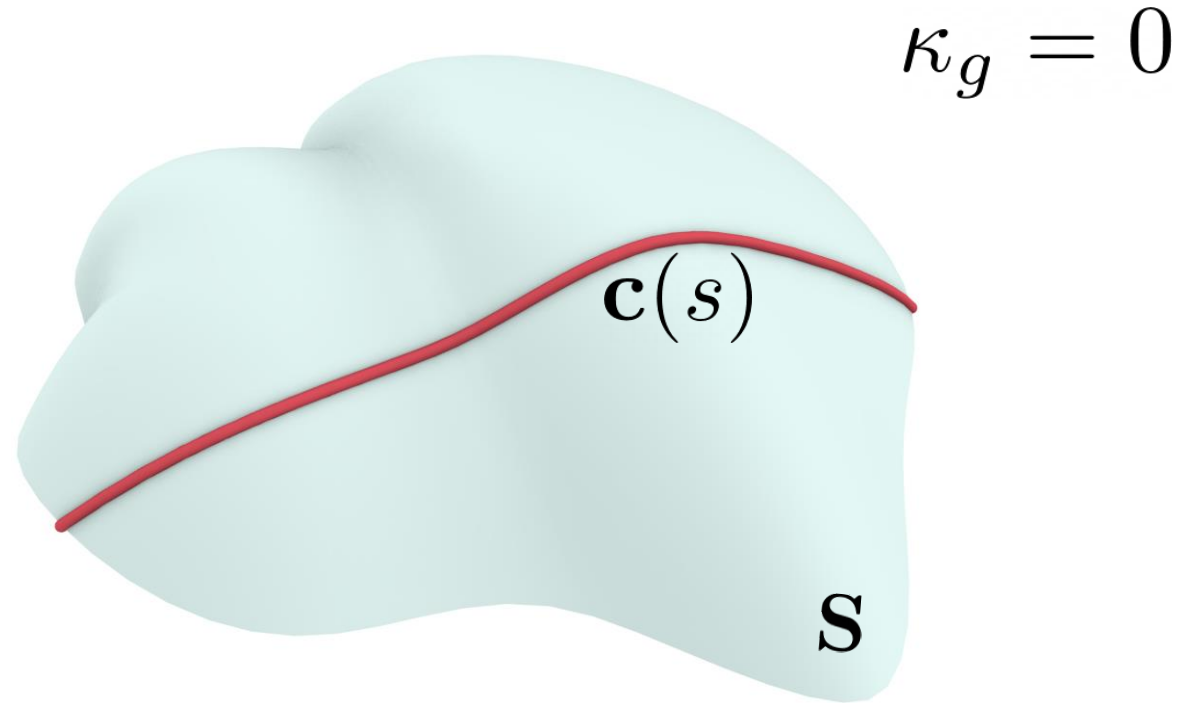
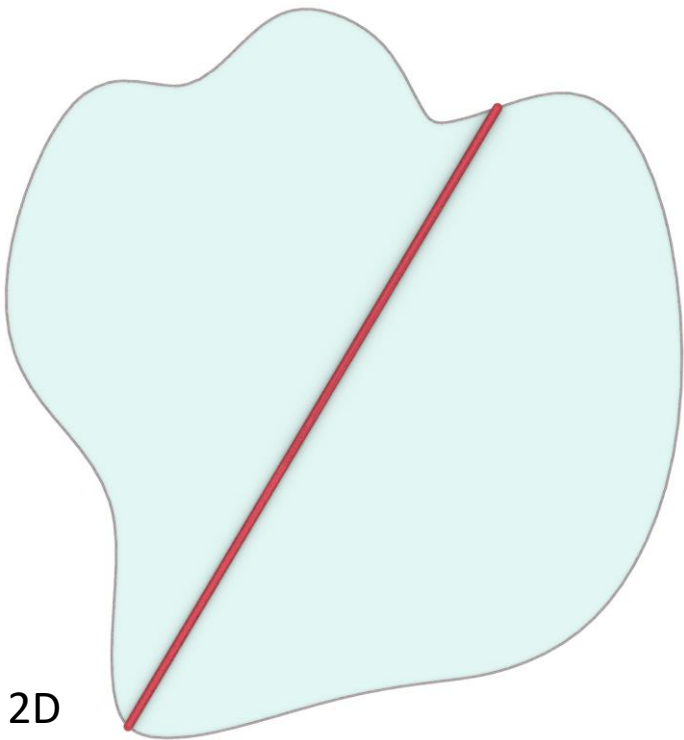
$$\mathbf{n}' = \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{n}$$

Angular velocity vector:

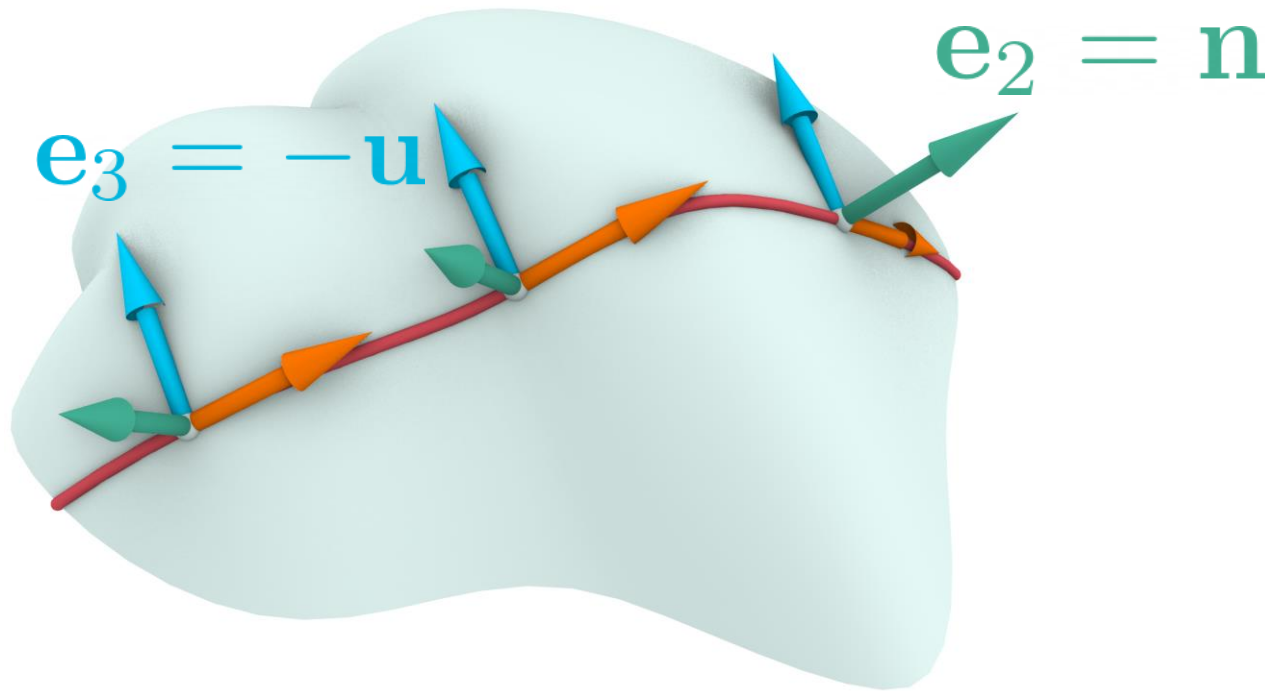
$$\mathbf{r} = \tau_g \mathbf{t} - \kappa_n \mathbf{u} + \kappa_g \mathbf{n}$$



# Geodesic curve



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$$\kappa_g = 0$$

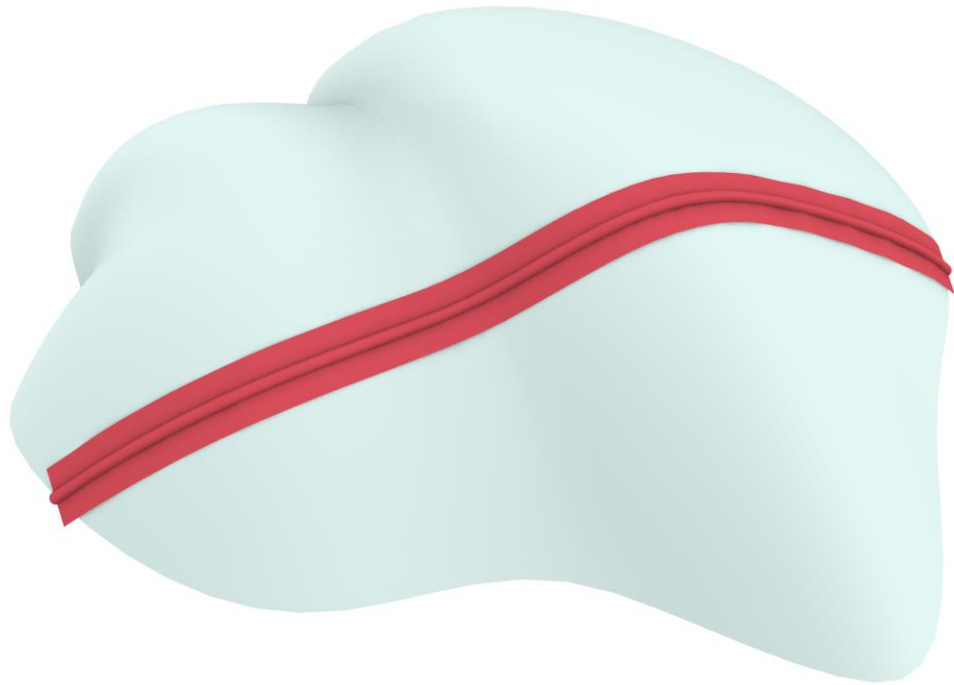
$$\mathbf{c}'' = \kappa_n \mathbf{n}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_2 = \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{e}_3 = -\mathbf{u}$$





# Geodesic strip



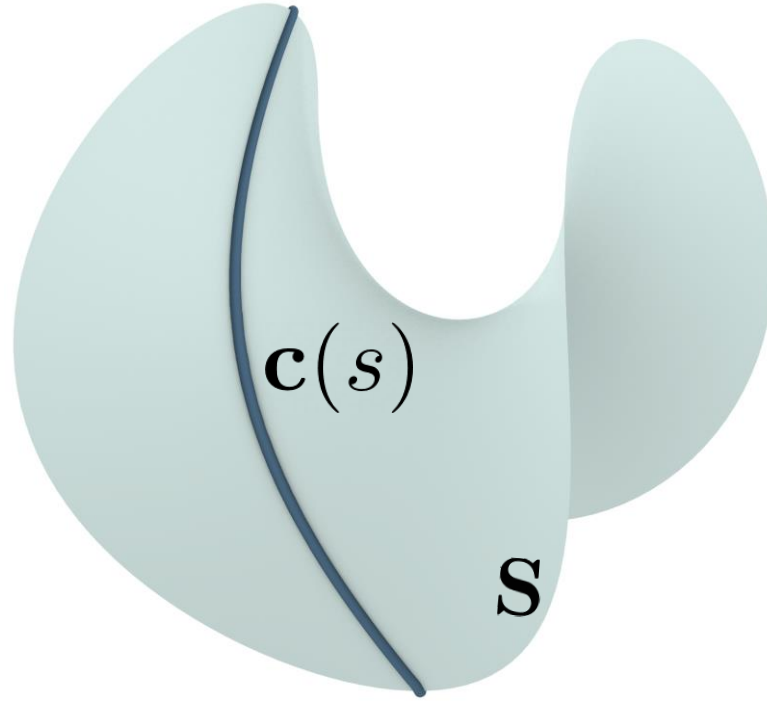
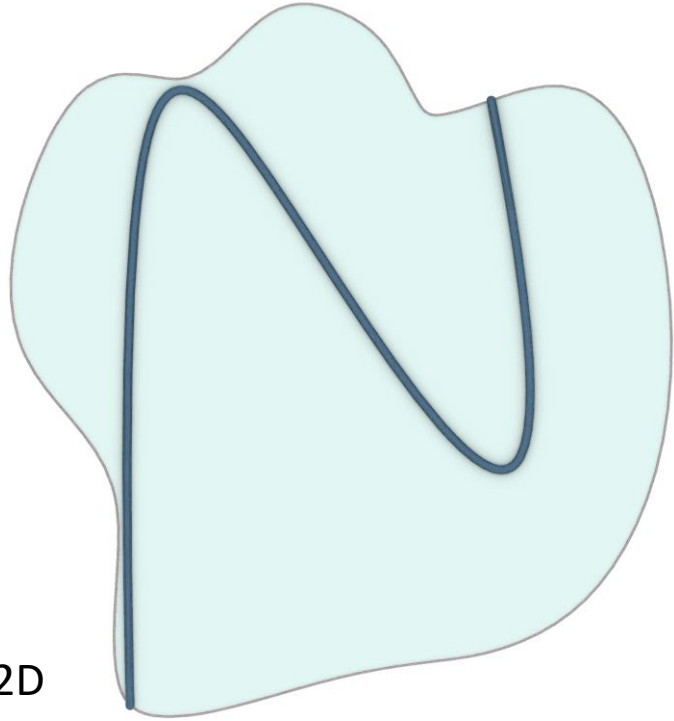
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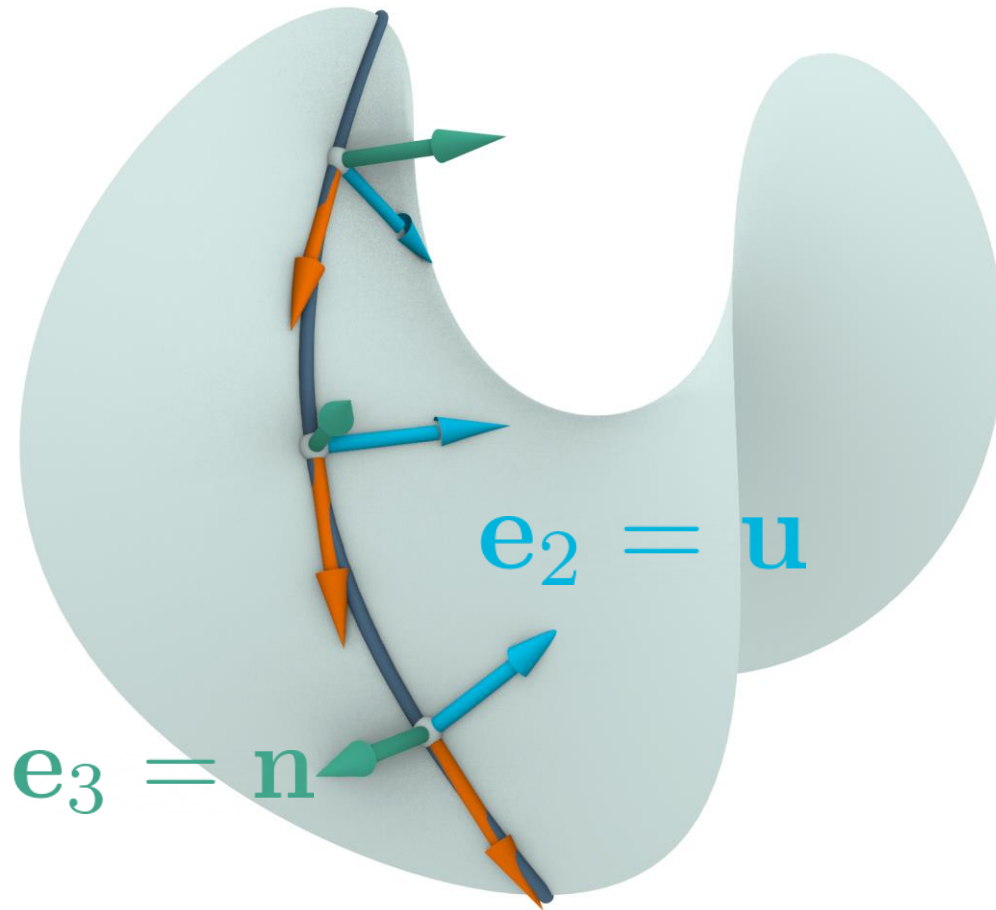
# Asymptotic curve



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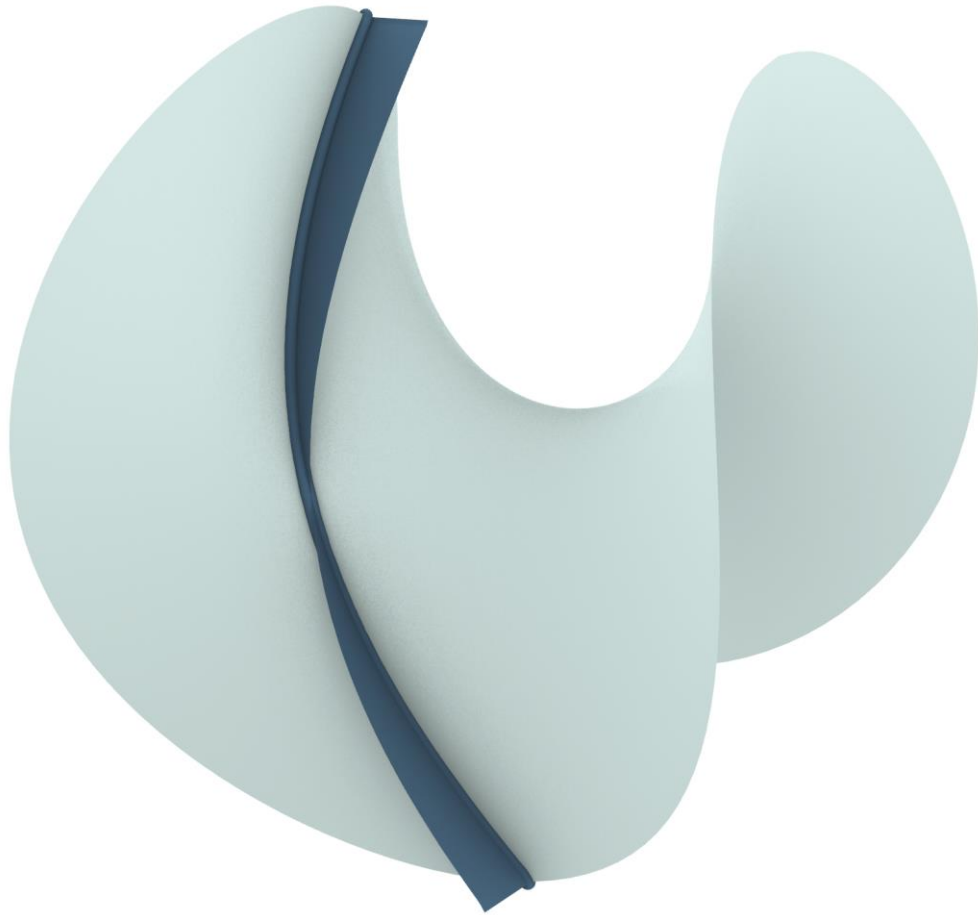
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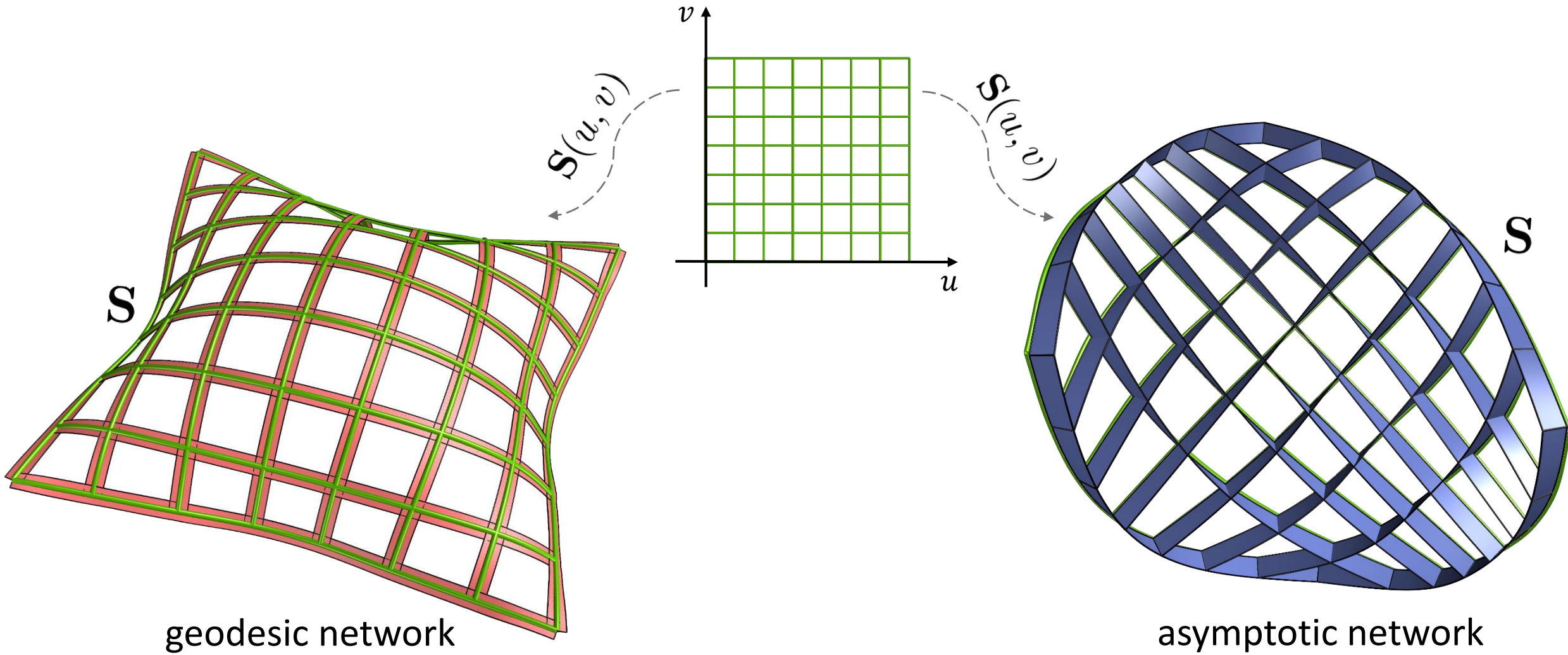
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# Surface parametrization

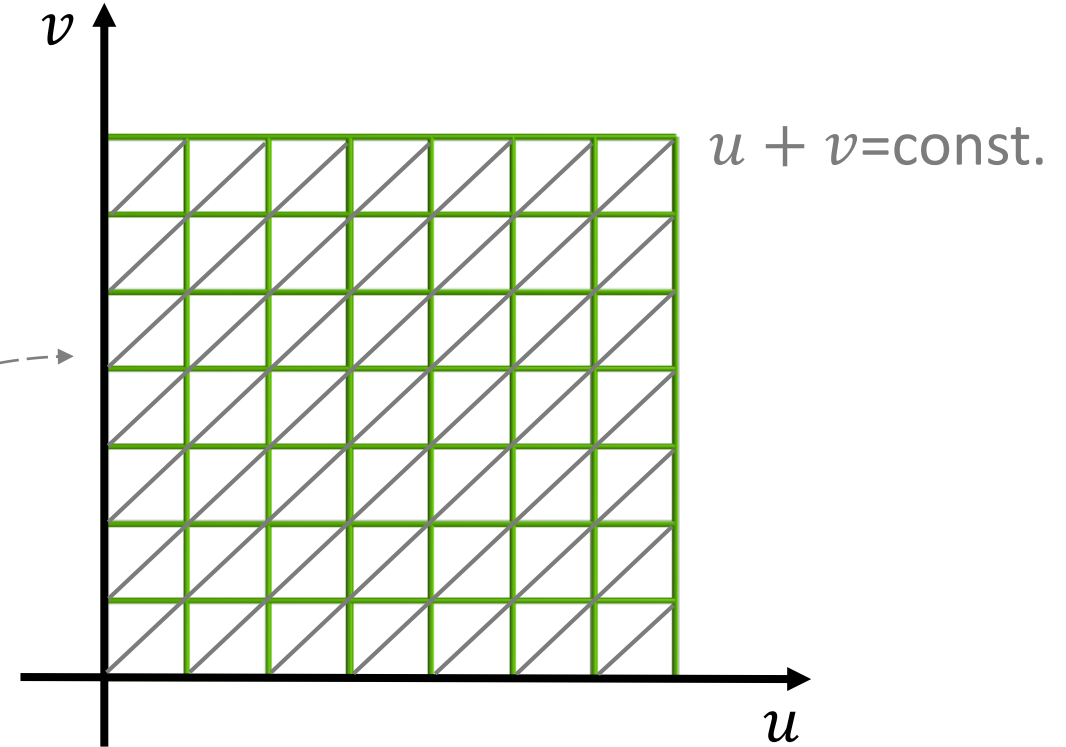
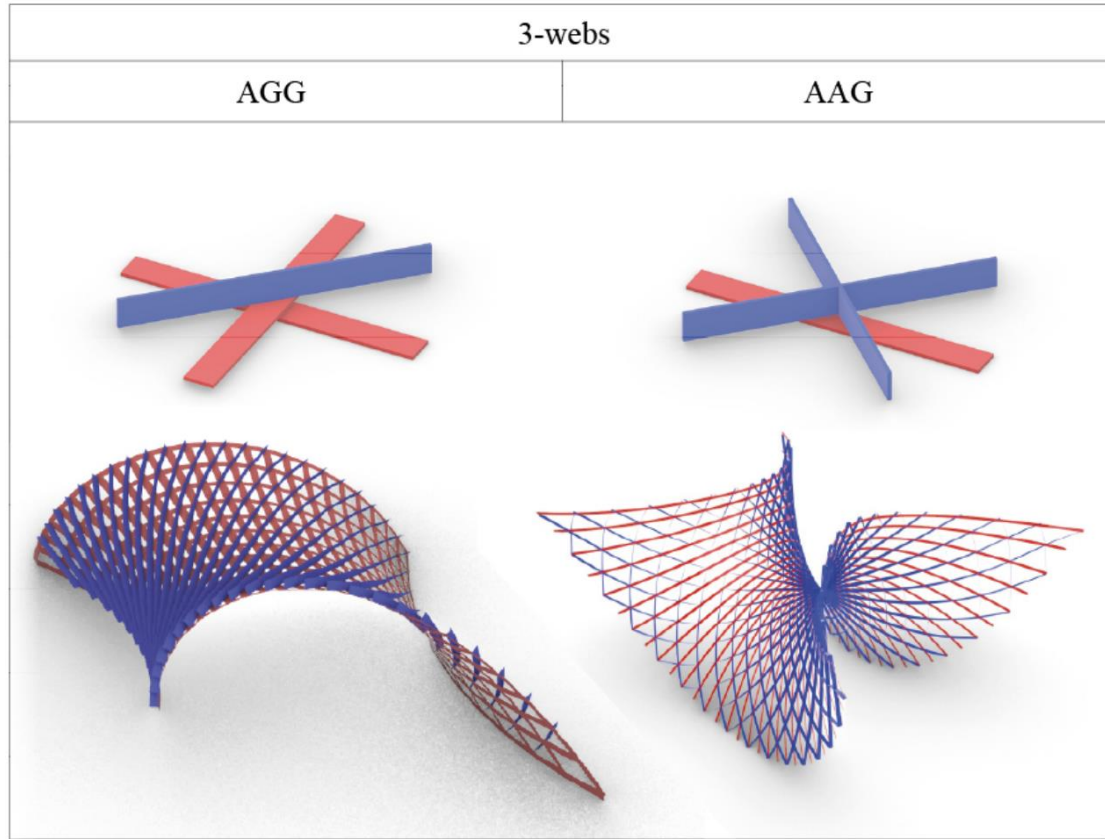


geodesic network

asymptotic network



# AGG-, AAG-web

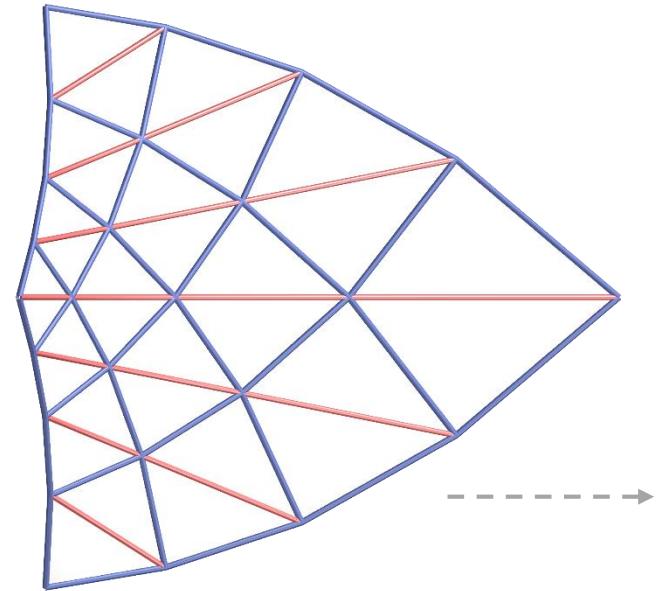


- Geodesic
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# Discretization and optimization

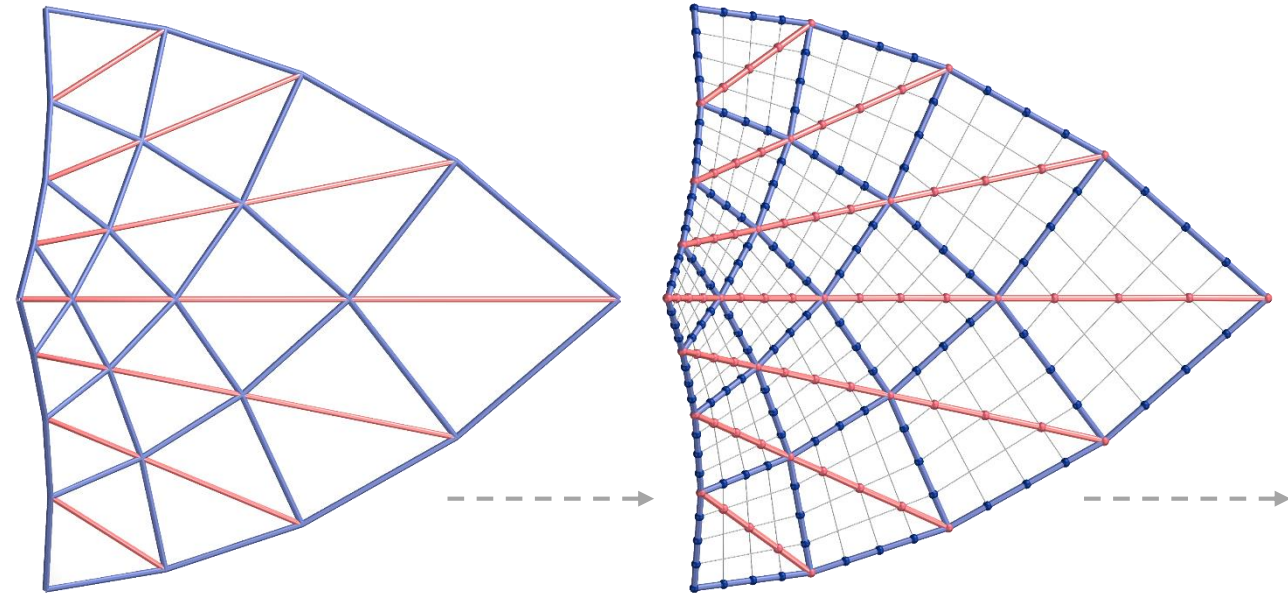


# Computational approach

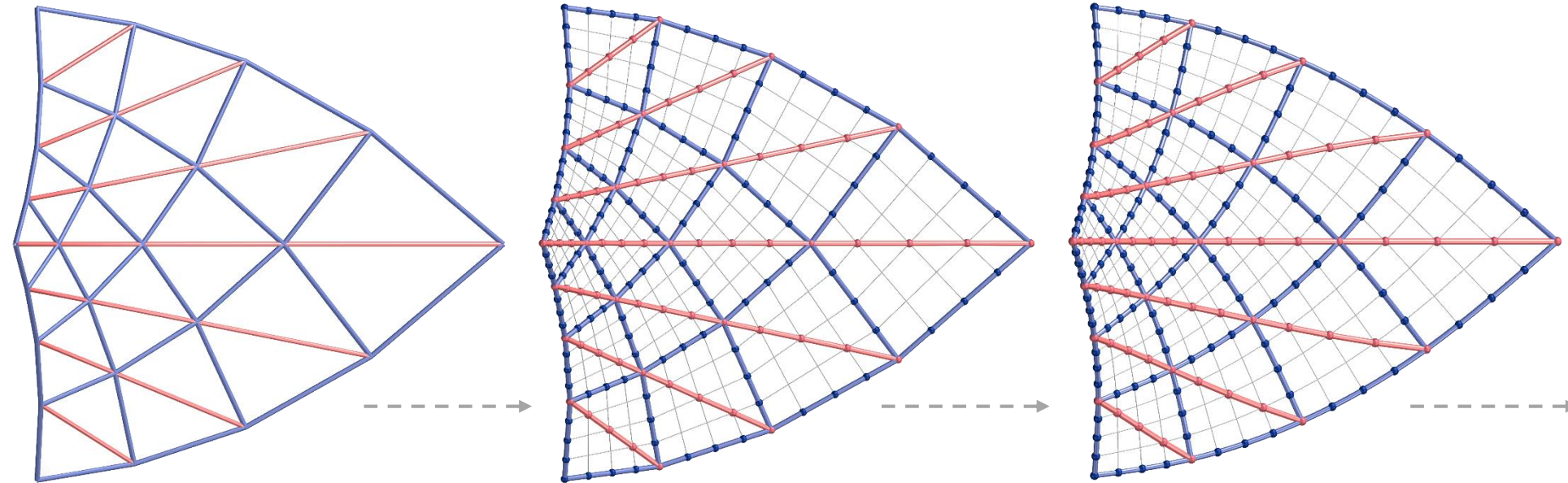




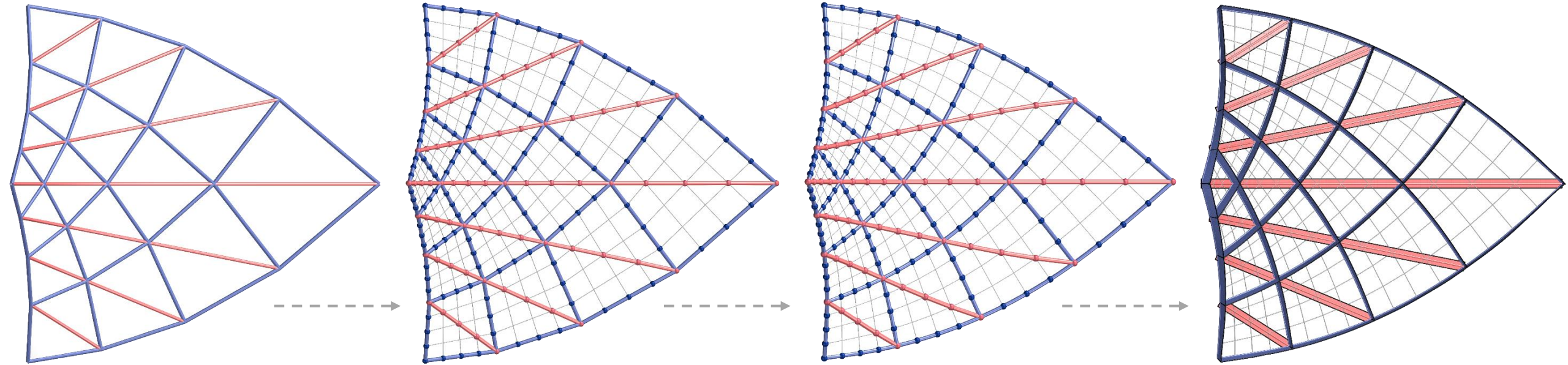
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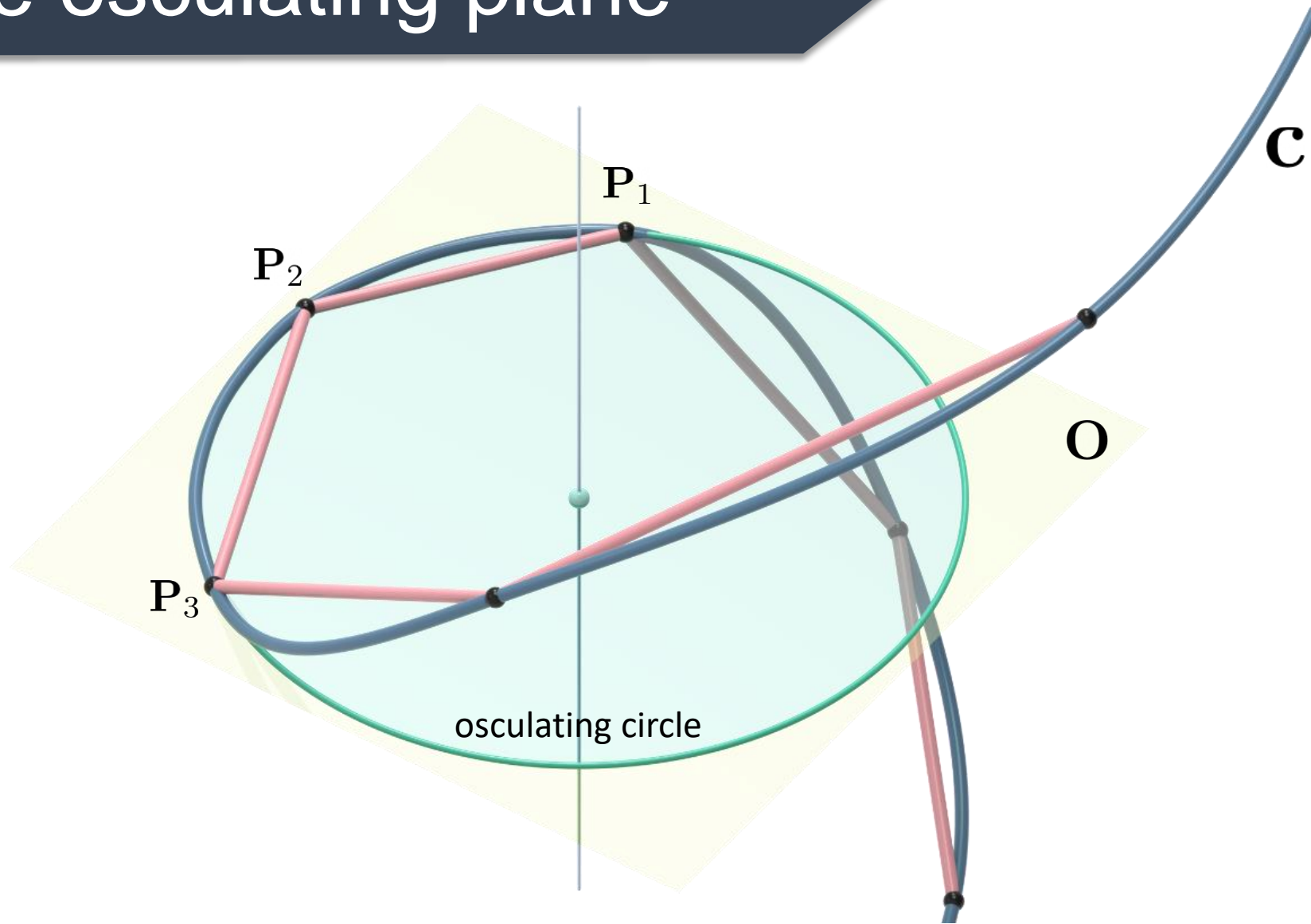
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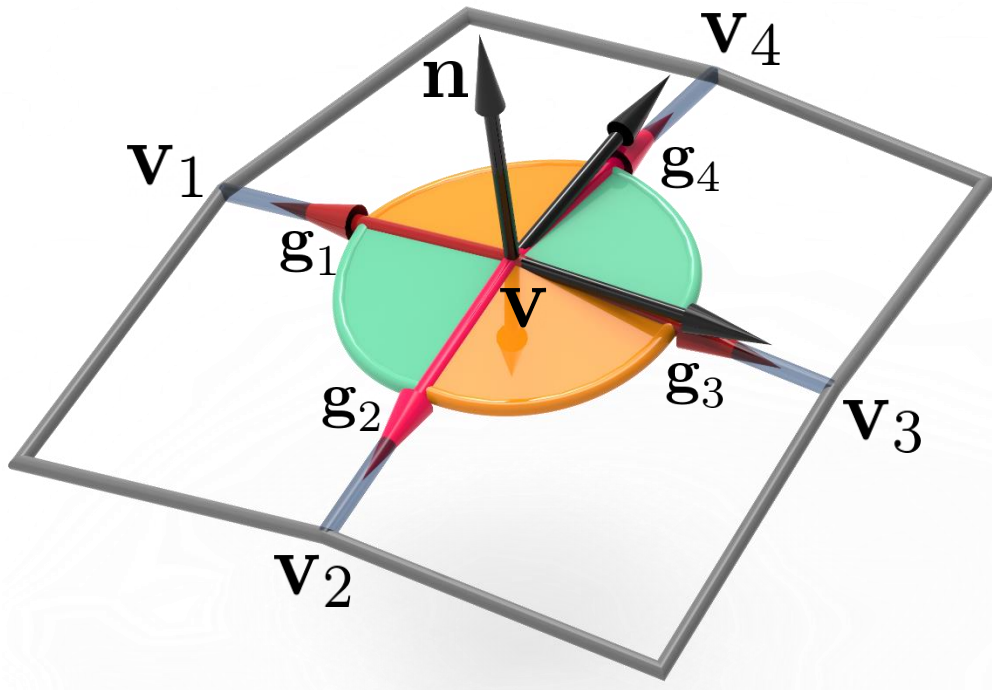
# Computational approach



# Discrete osculating plane



# Constraints: G-net



[Wunderlich 1951, Rabinovich et al. 2018]

$$g_i = (v_i - v) / \|v_i - v\|, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4,$$

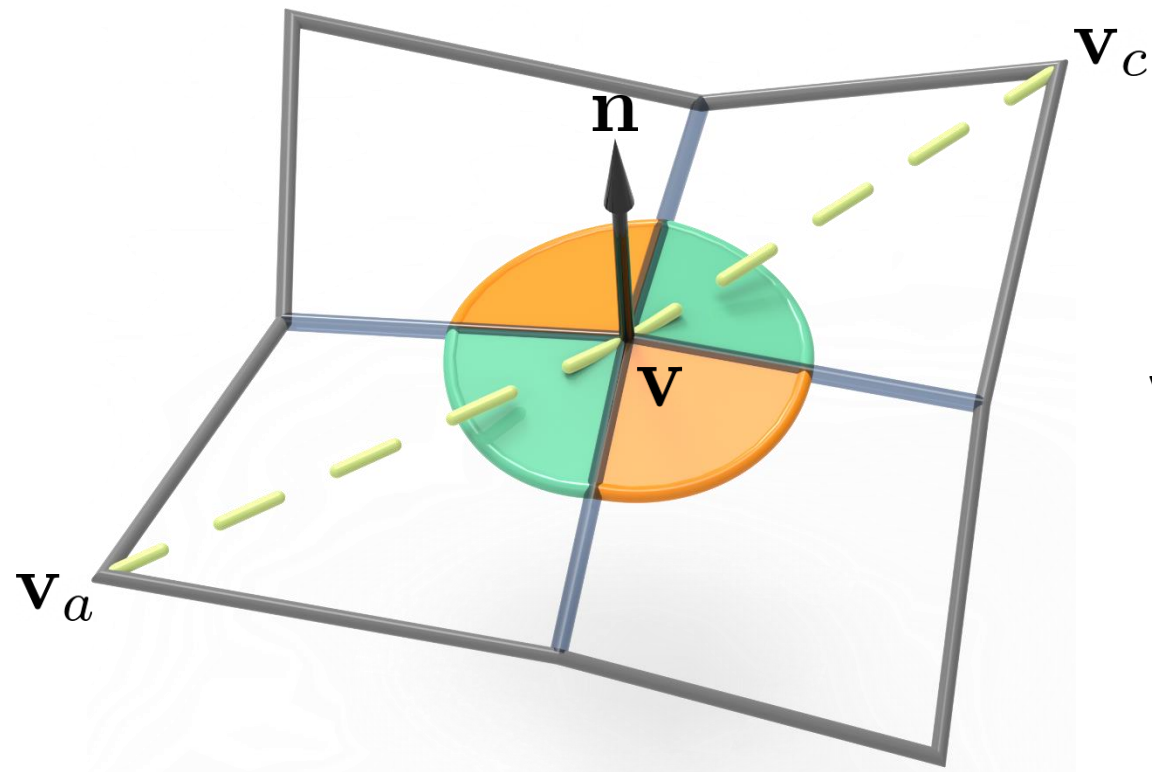
$$g_1 \cdot g_2 = g_3 \cdot g_4, \quad g_2 \cdot g_3 = g_4 \cdot g_1.$$

Vertex normal:

$$n \parallel g_1 + g_3 \parallel g_2 + g_4$$



# Constraints: AGG-web



$$\mathbf{g}_i = (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}) / \|\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}\|, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4,$$

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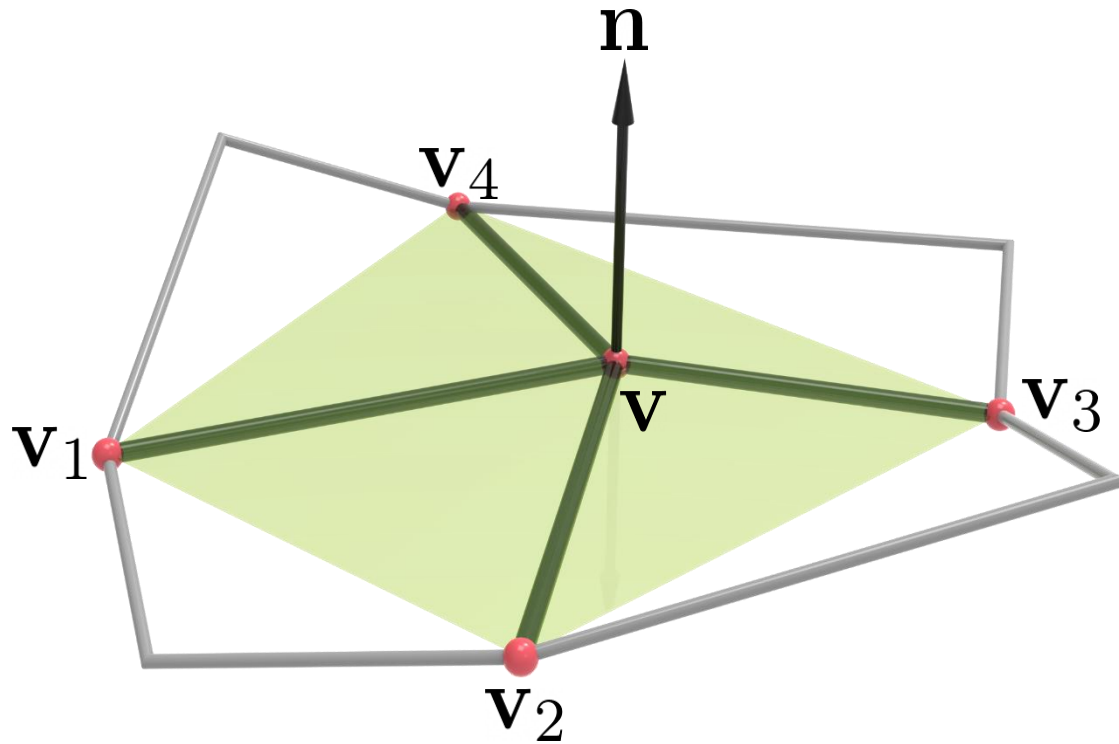
Vertex normal:

$$\mathbf{n} \parallel \mathbf{g}_1 + \mathbf{g}_3 \parallel \mathbf{g}_2 + \mathbf{g}_4$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{v}_a - \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{v}_c - \mathbf{v}) = 0.$$



# Constraints: A-net



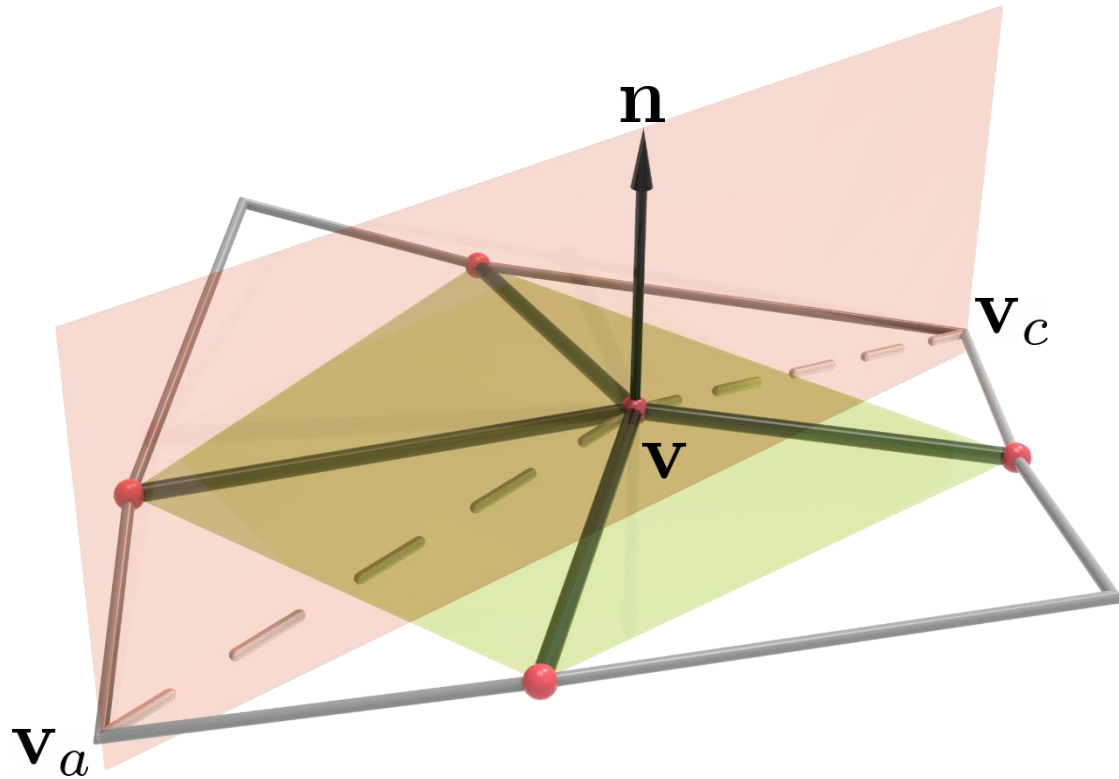
[Bobenko et al. 2008]

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4.$$

$$\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 = 1.$$



# Constraints: AAG-web



$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, 4.$$

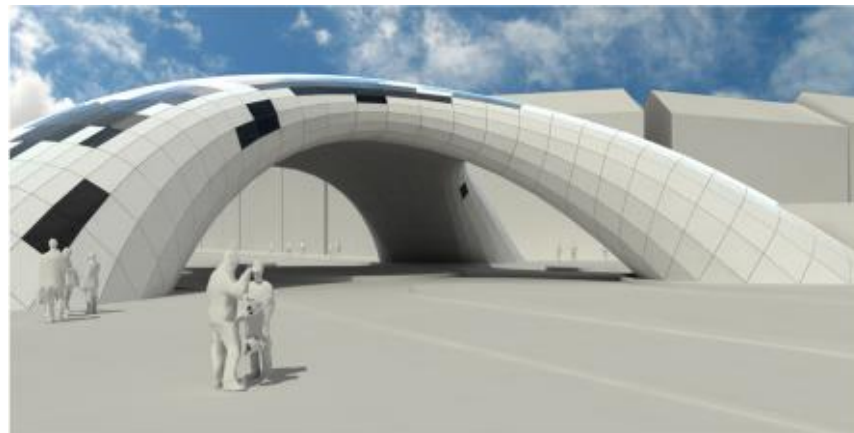
$$\|\mathbf{n}\|^2 = 1.$$

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot [(\mathbf{v}_a - \mathbf{v}) \times (\mathbf{v}_c - \mathbf{v})] = 0.$$





# Target function



[Tang et al. 2014]

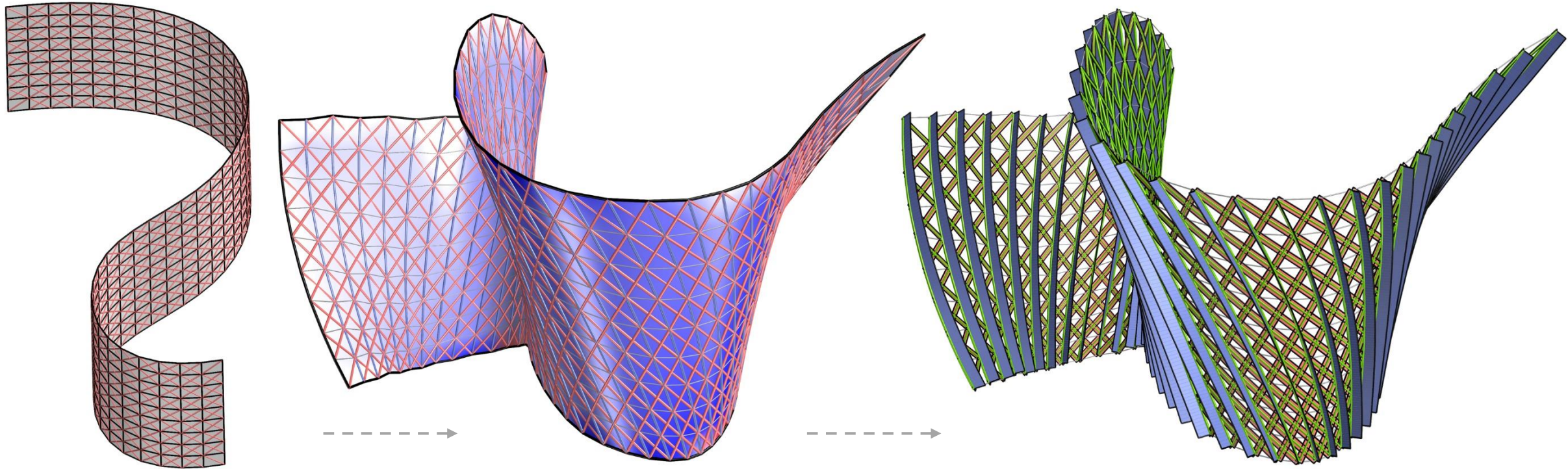
$$F(X) = \sum (C_i(X)^2 + \omega_1 K(X)^2 + \omega_2 V(X)^2 + \omega_3 P(X)^2 + \varepsilon (X - X_c)^2)$$

**Fairness:**  $\mathbf{v}_{i+1} - 2\mathbf{v}_i + \mathbf{v}_{i-1} = 0$

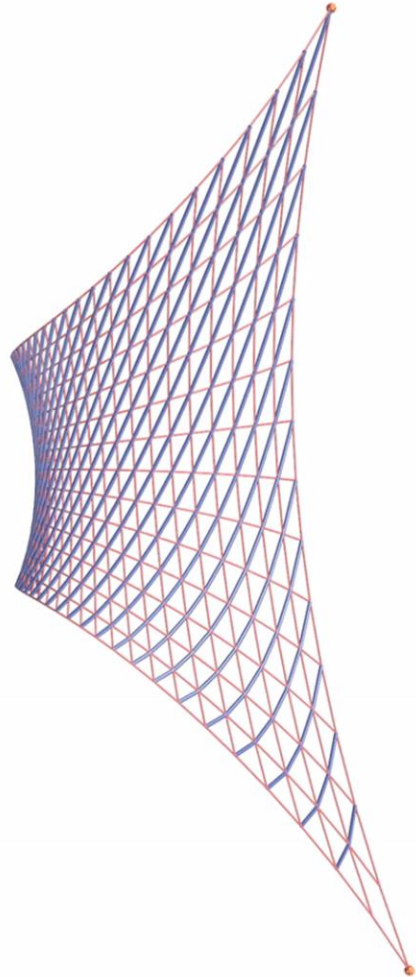
Proximity to curve or surfaces:  $(\mathbf{v}_p - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{n}_p = 0$

Control the change of vertices:  $\mathbf{v}^{(j-1)} - \mathbf{v}^{(j)} = 0$

# Initialization: AGG-web

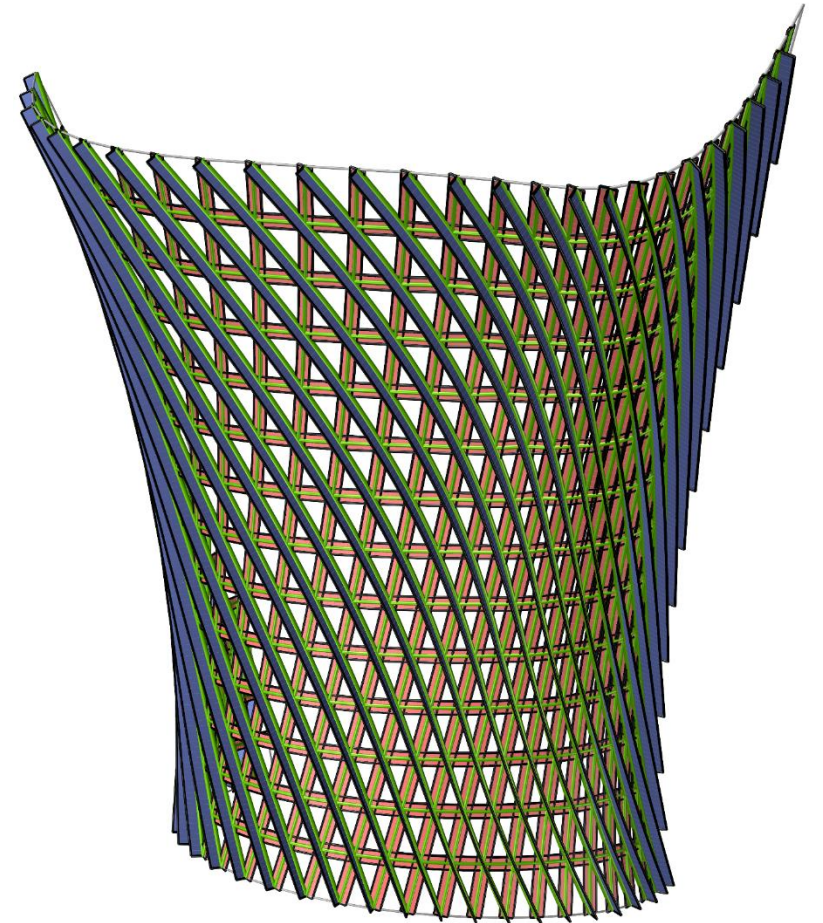
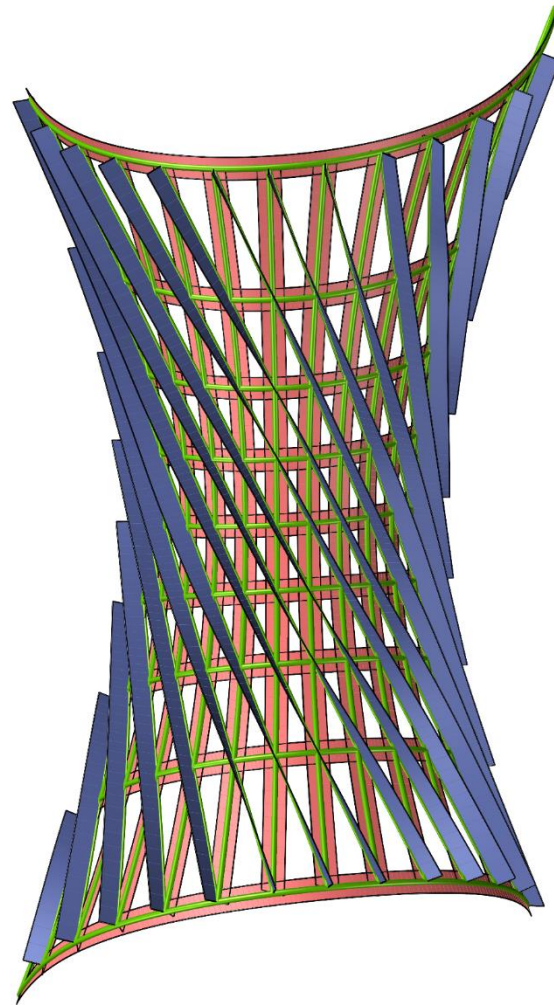


# AGG-webs



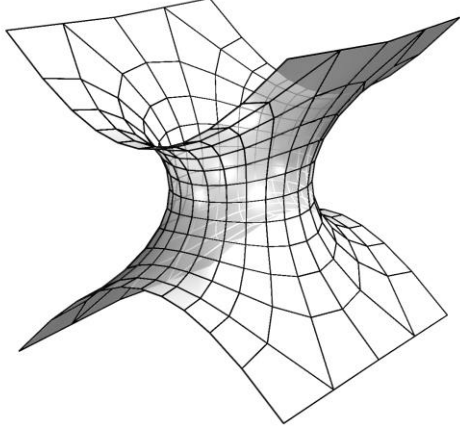
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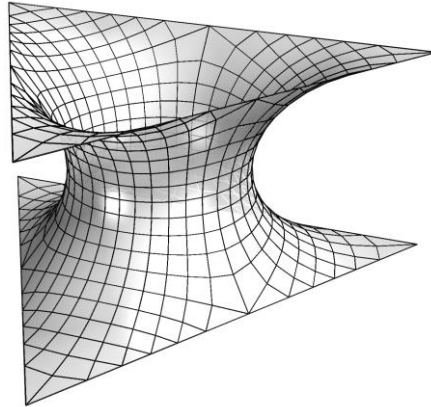


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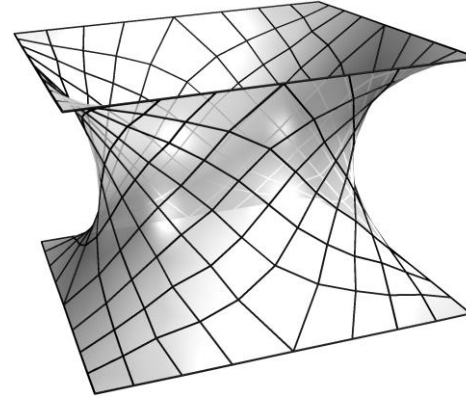
Initial minimal surfaces:



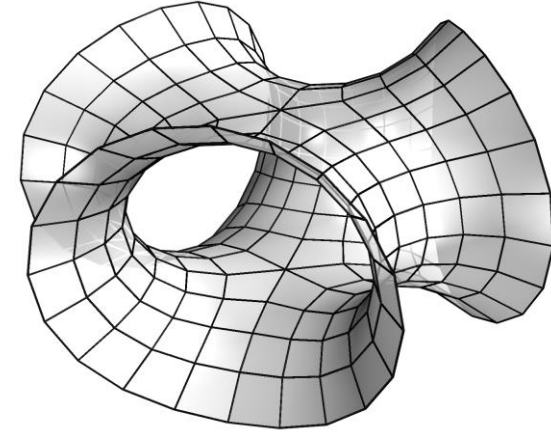
Scherk tower surface



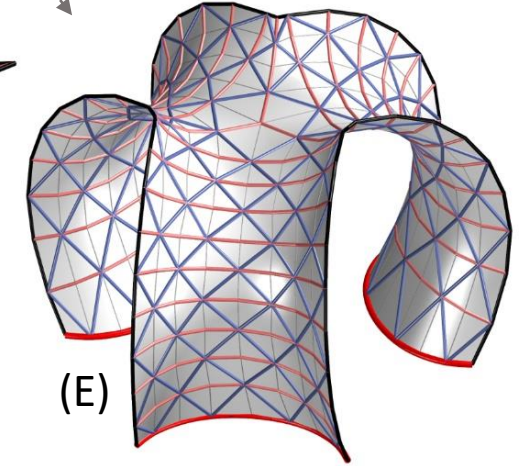
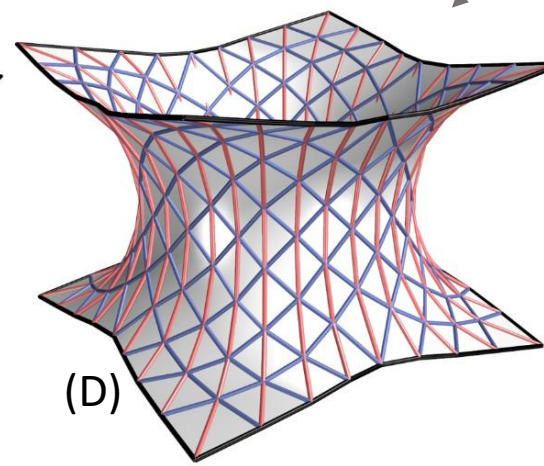
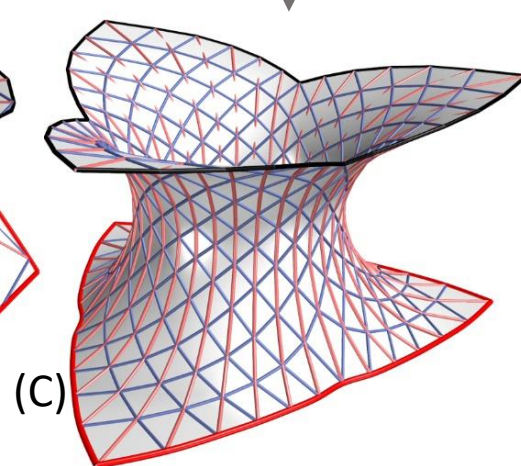
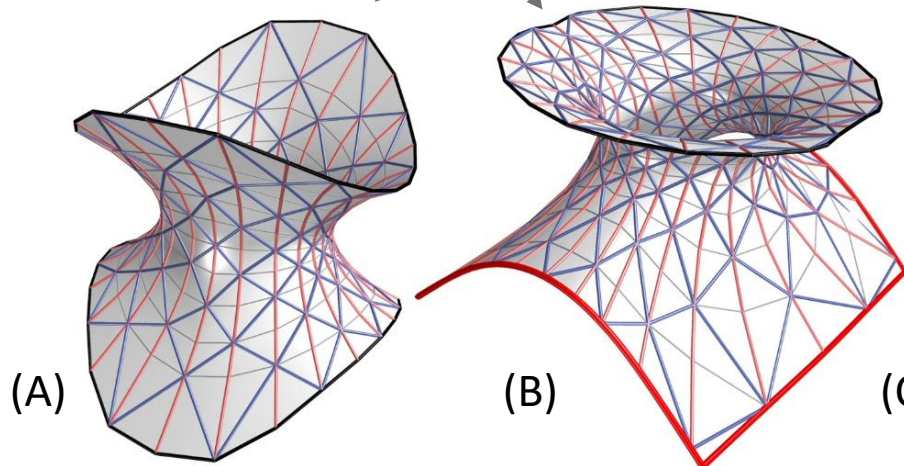
Schwarz H surface



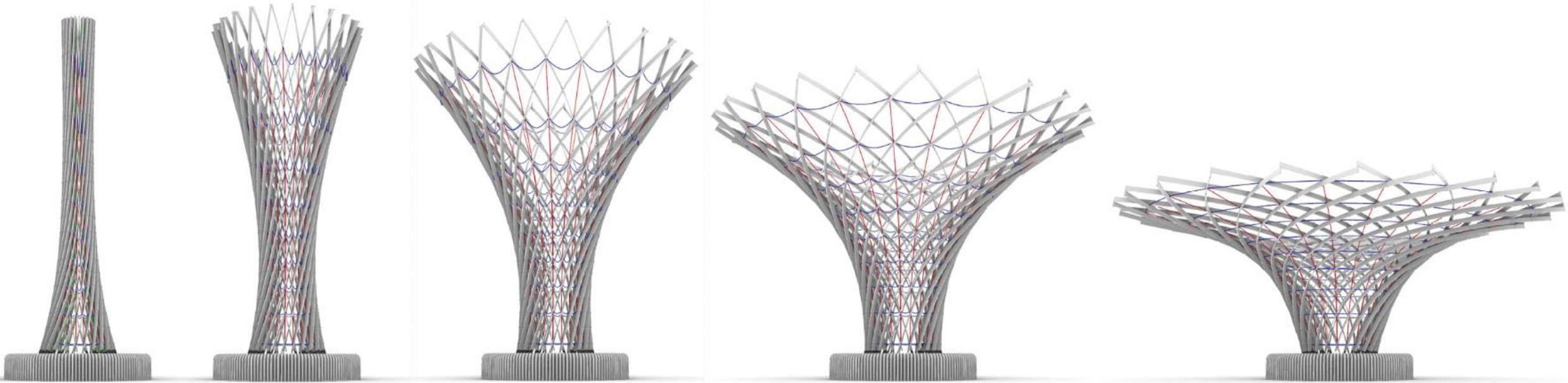
Schwarz P surface



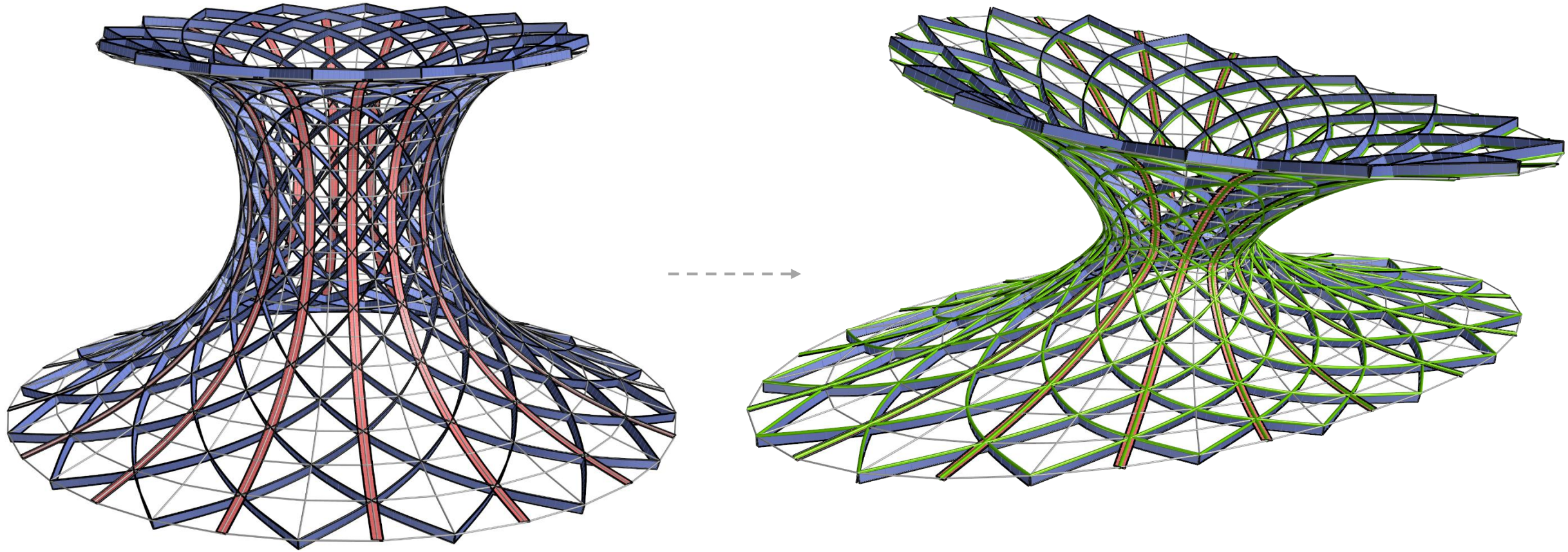
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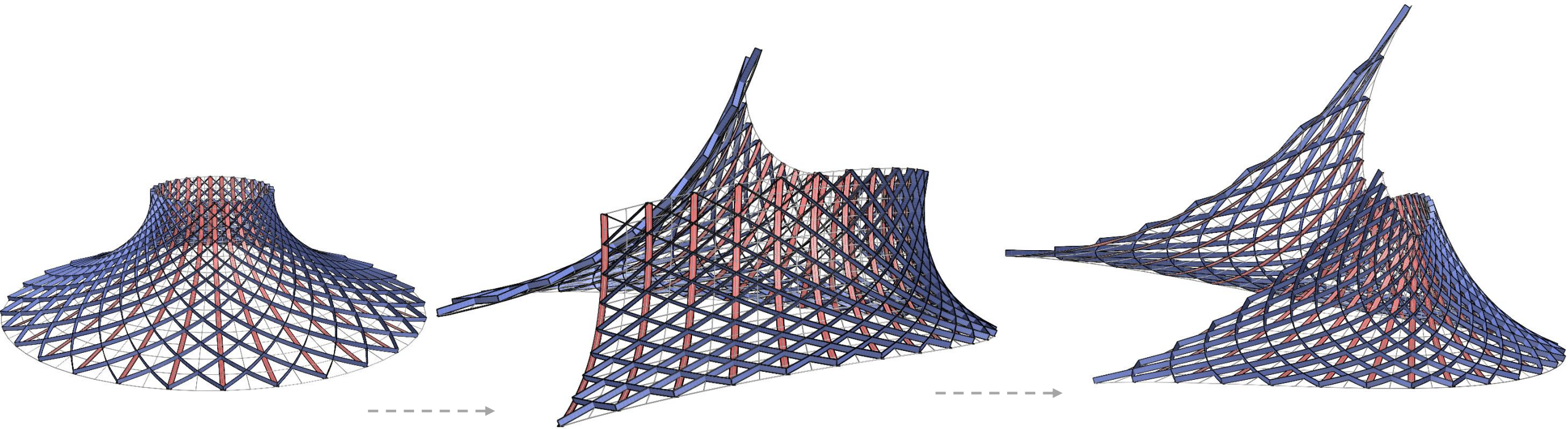
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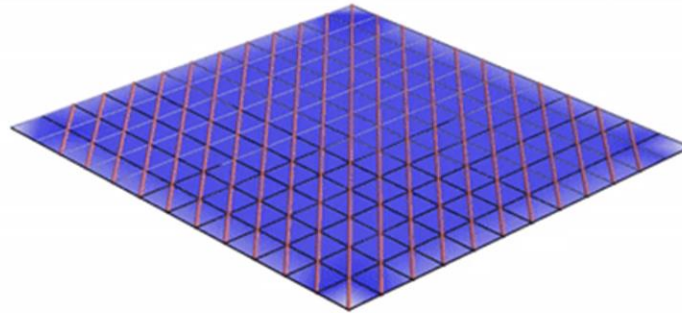
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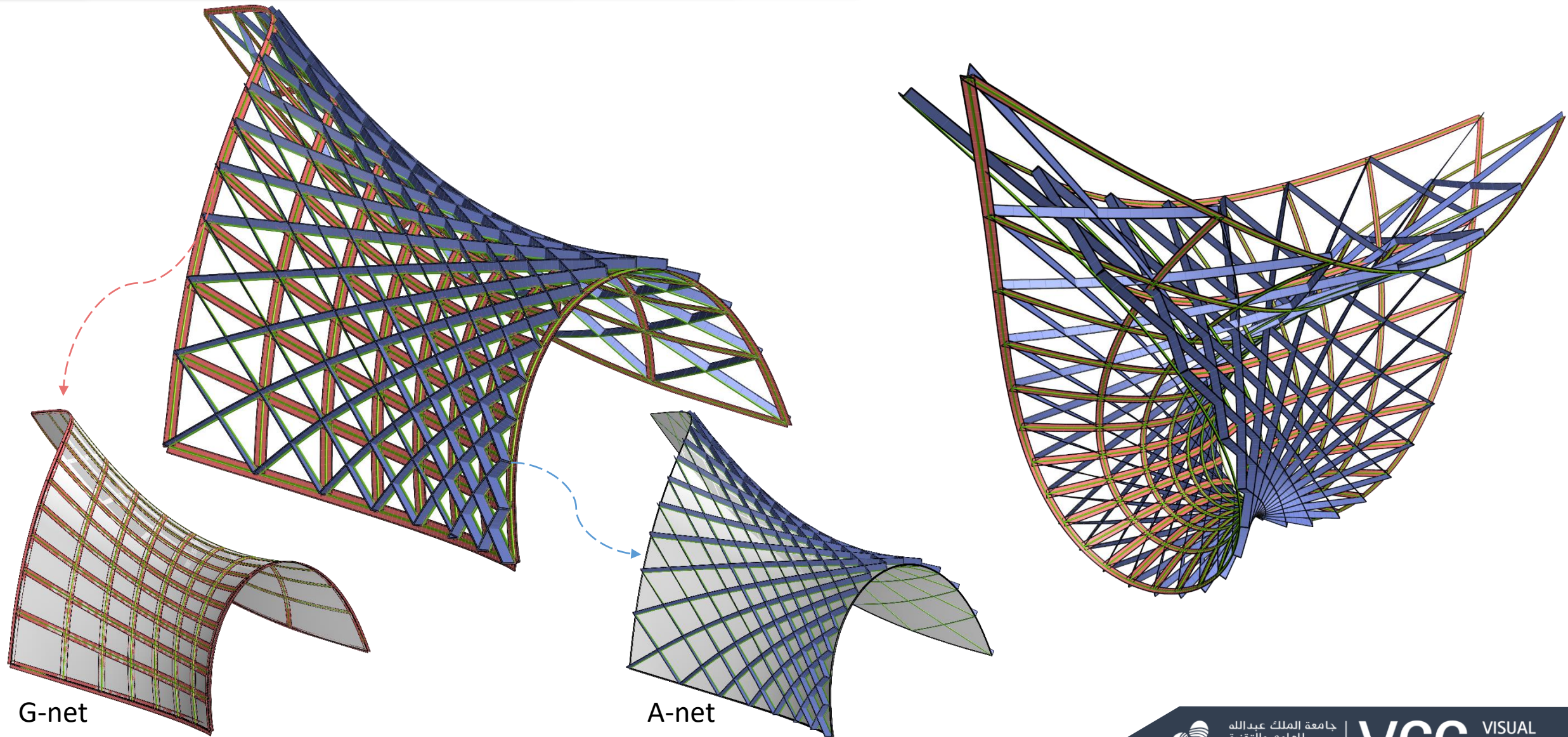


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# AGAG-webs



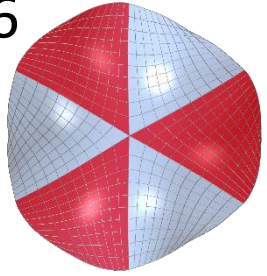
G-net

A-net

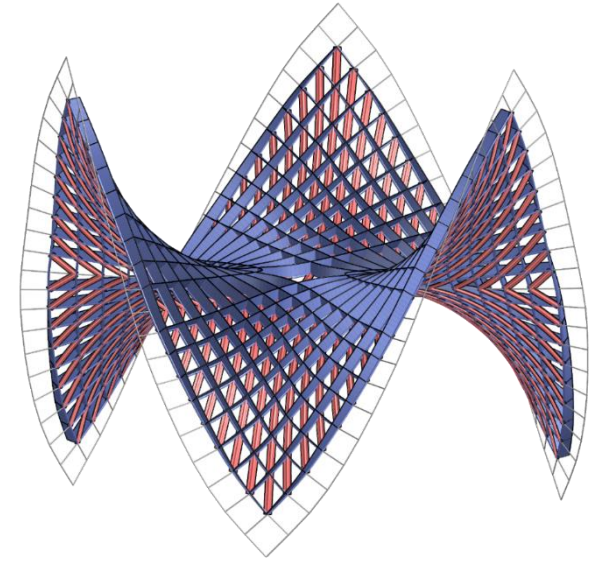
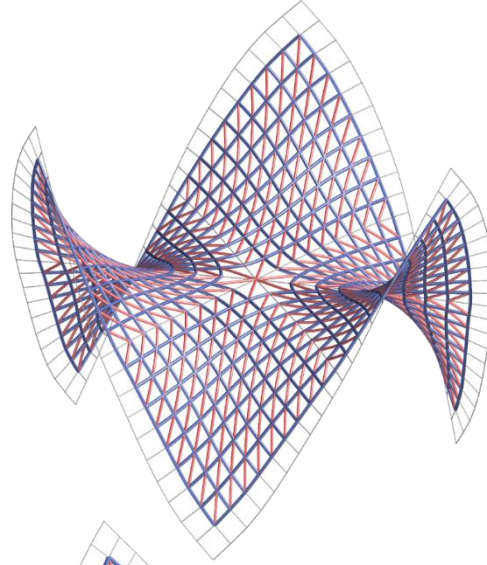
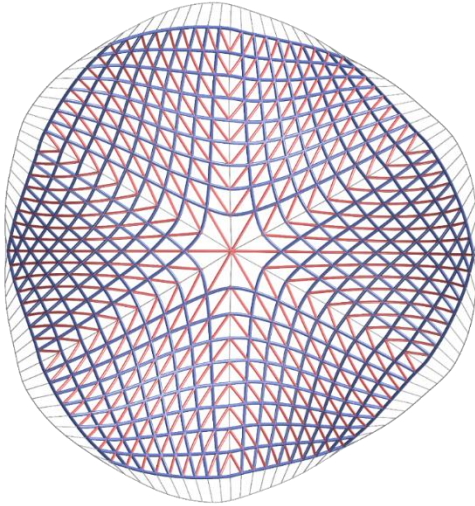


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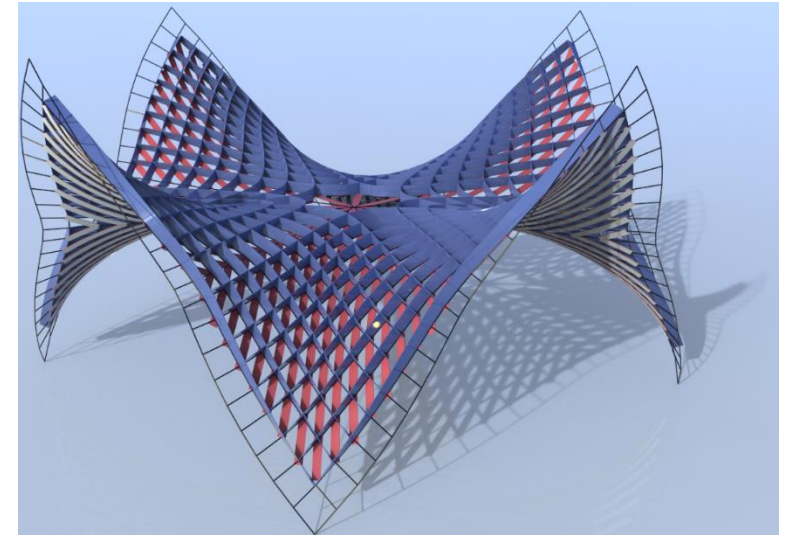
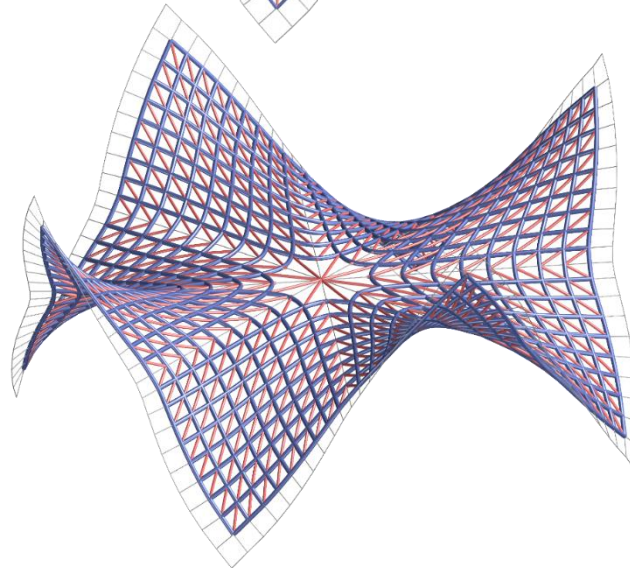
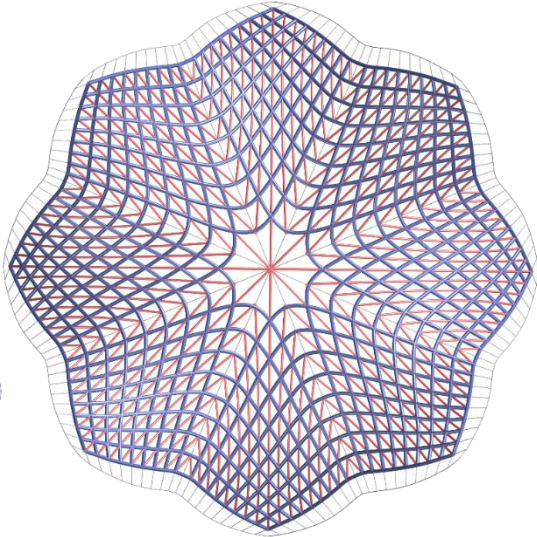
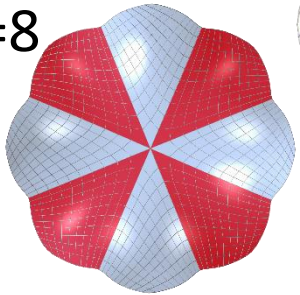
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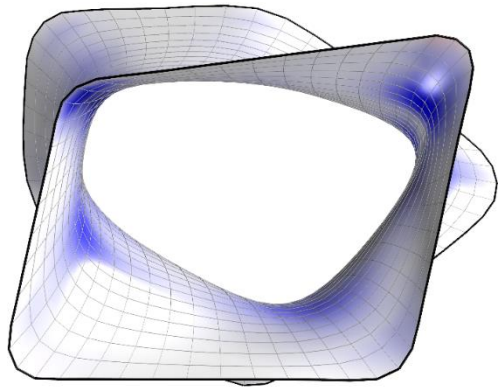
Top view



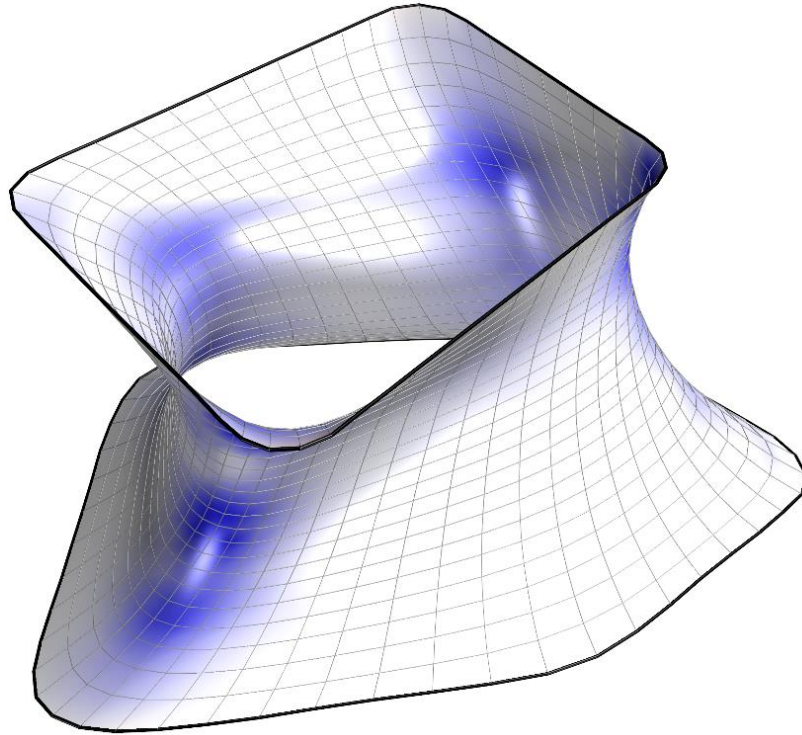
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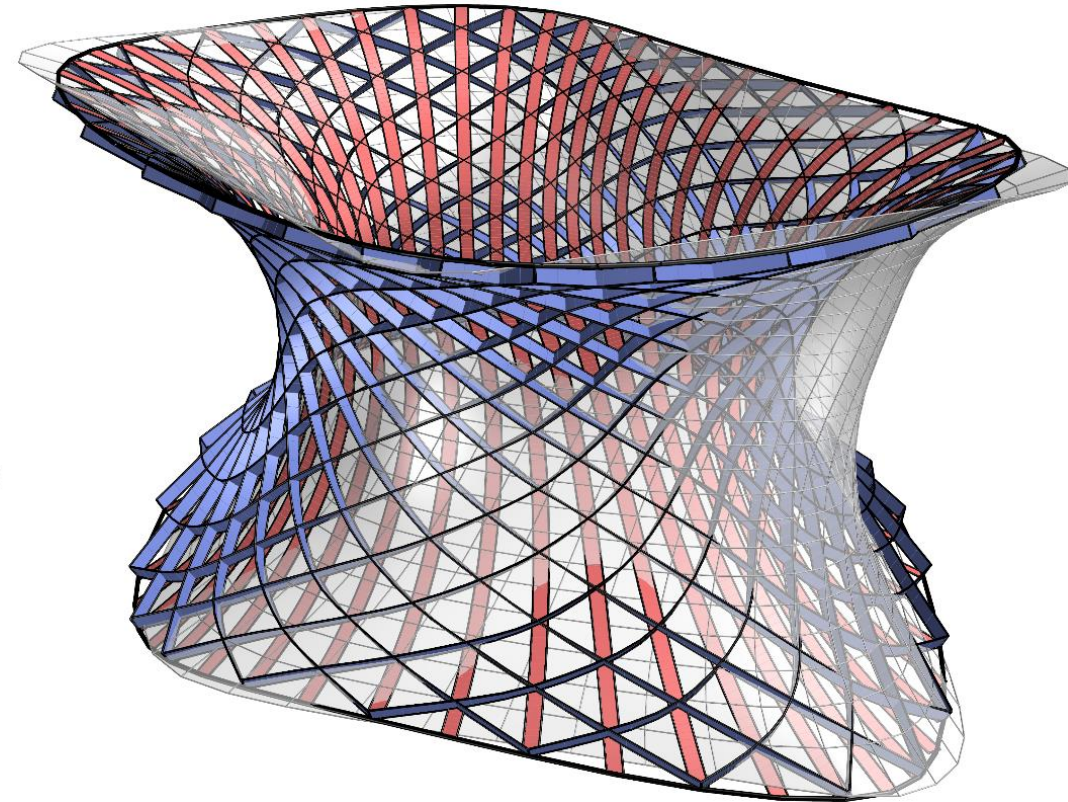
# Shape implementation



Top view



Soumaya Museum



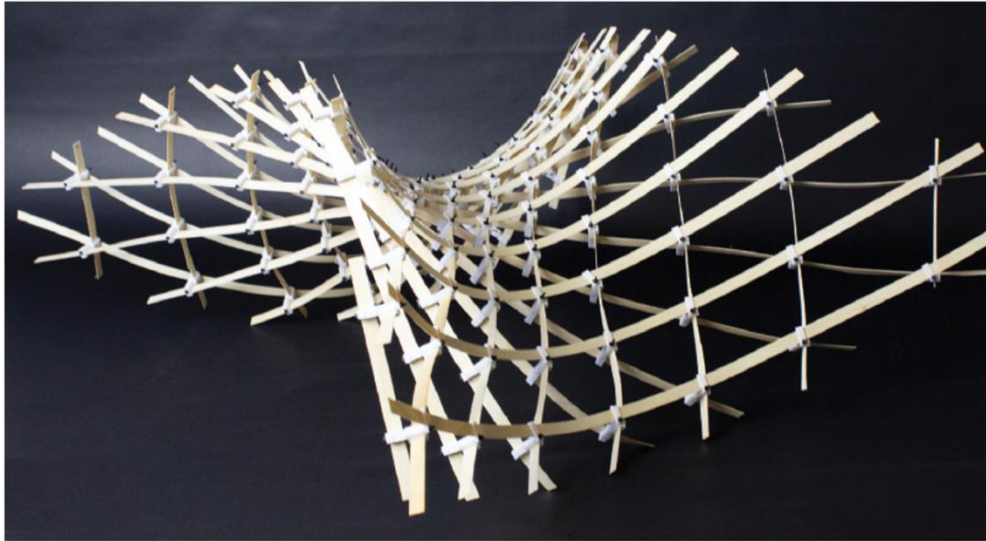
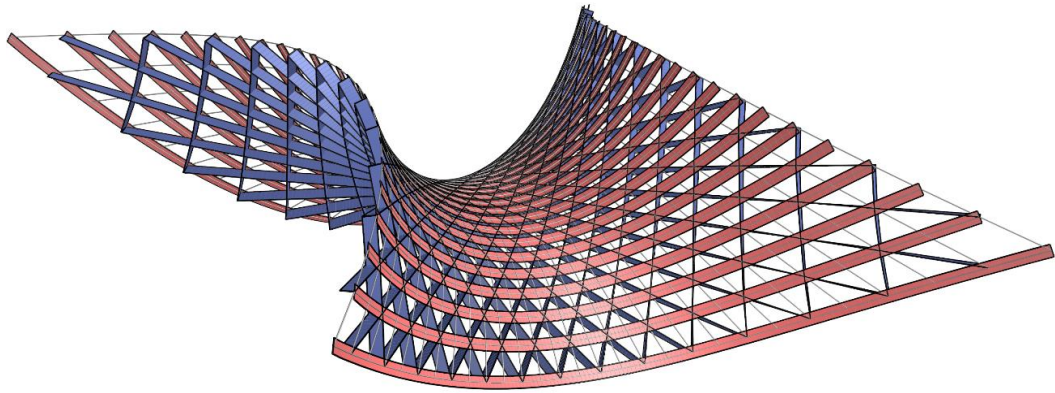
AAG web roughly approximates the surface



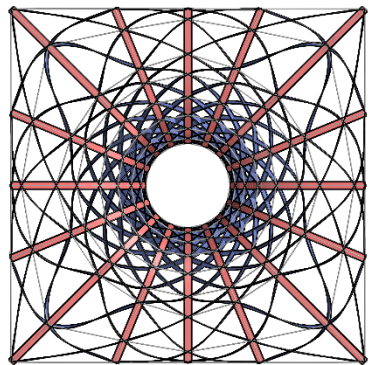
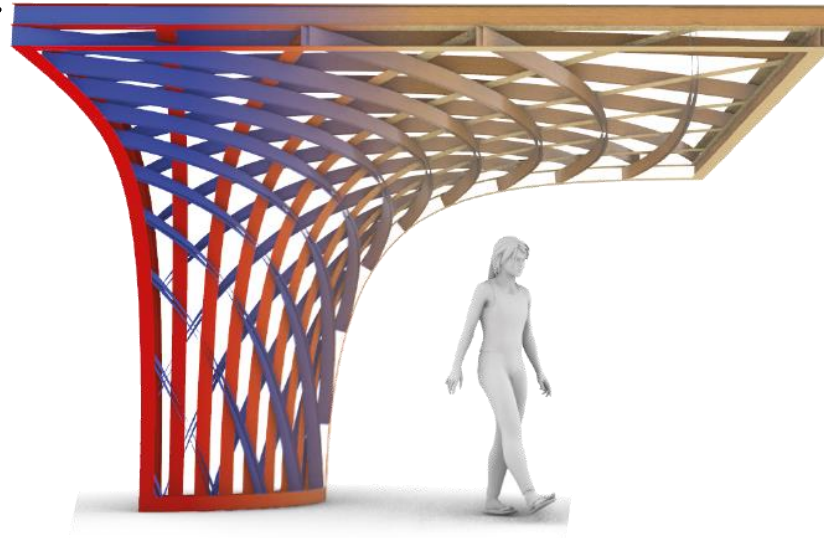
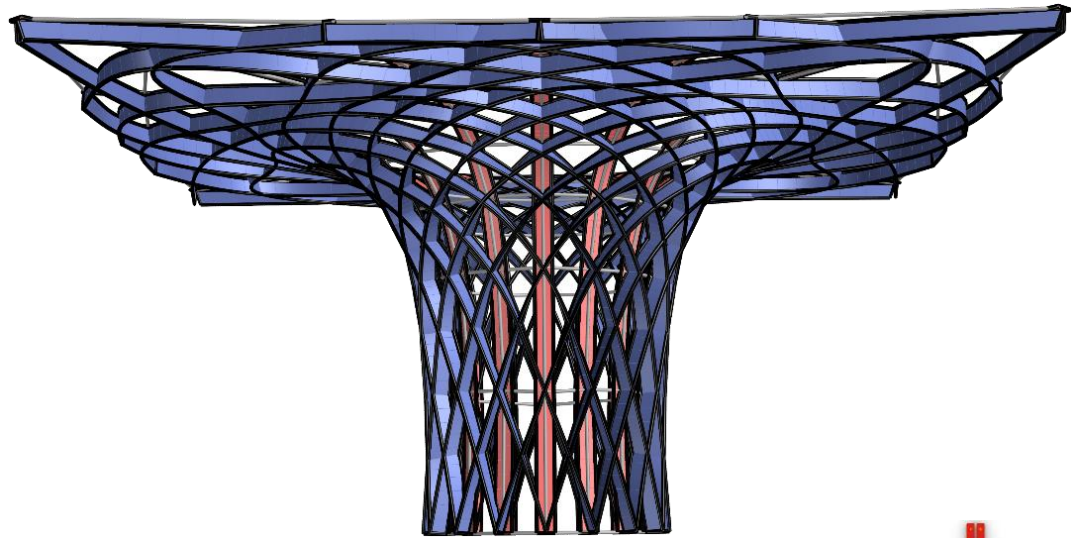
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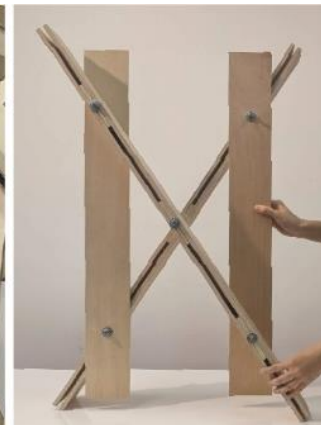
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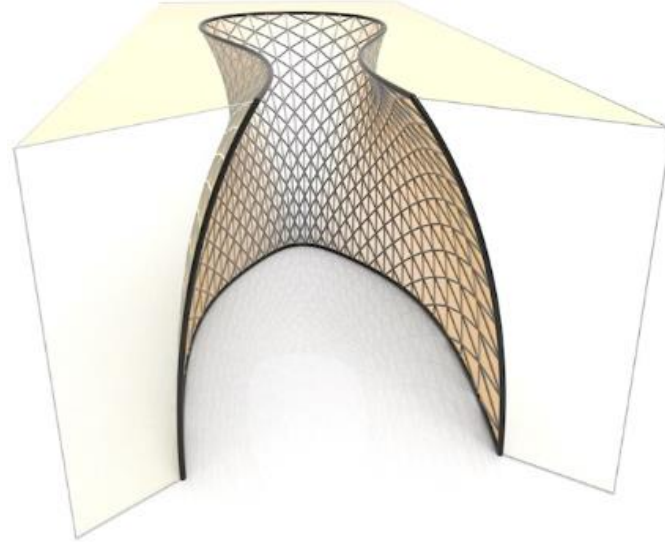
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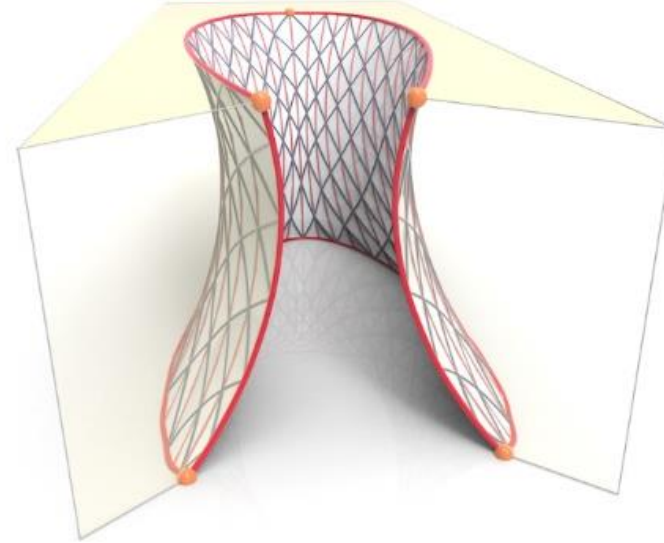
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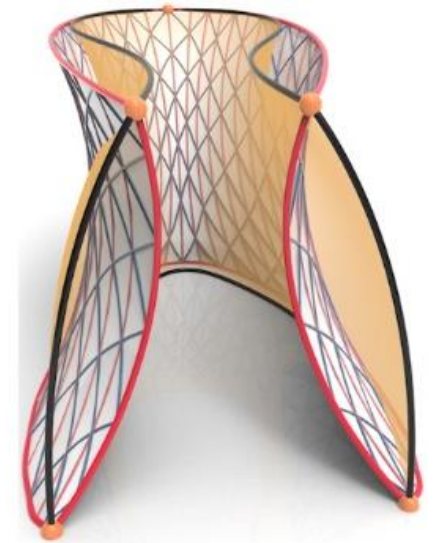
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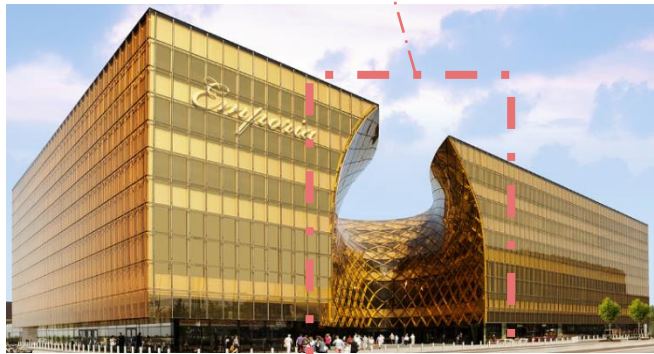
Initial mesh



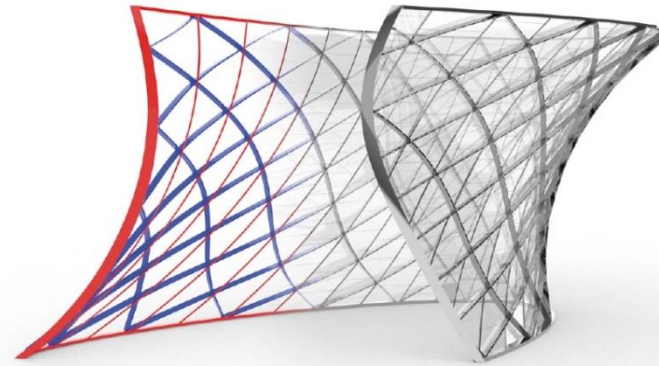
AAG-web



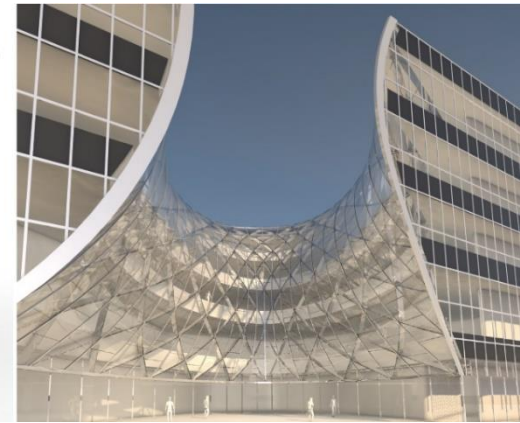
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Emporia shopping center façade



AAG gridshell



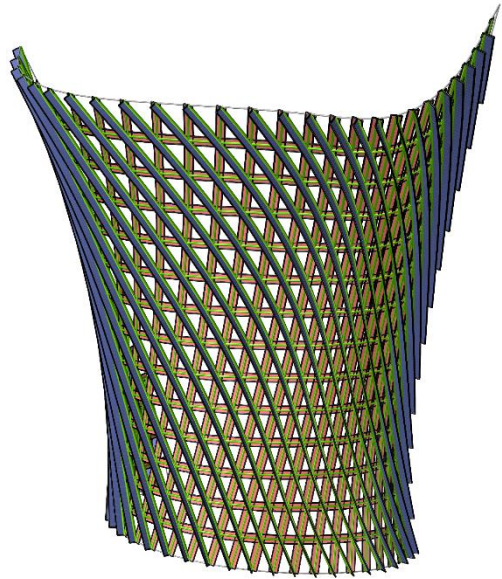
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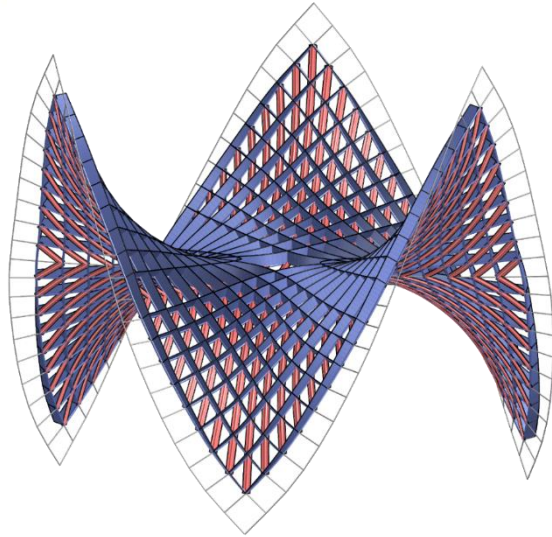
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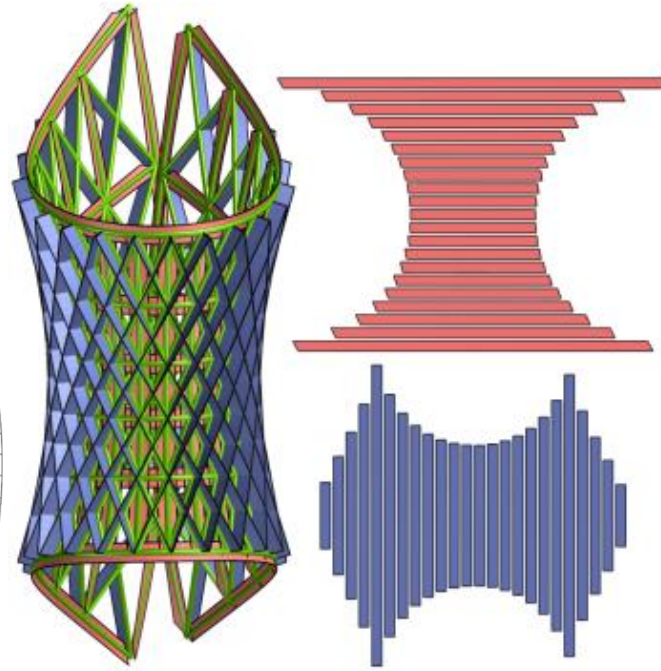
# Conclusion



AGG-web



AAG-web



AGAG-web and unrolled strips



AAG timber model







# Thank you!



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