

# Fast surface reconstruction methods with Delaunay triangulation

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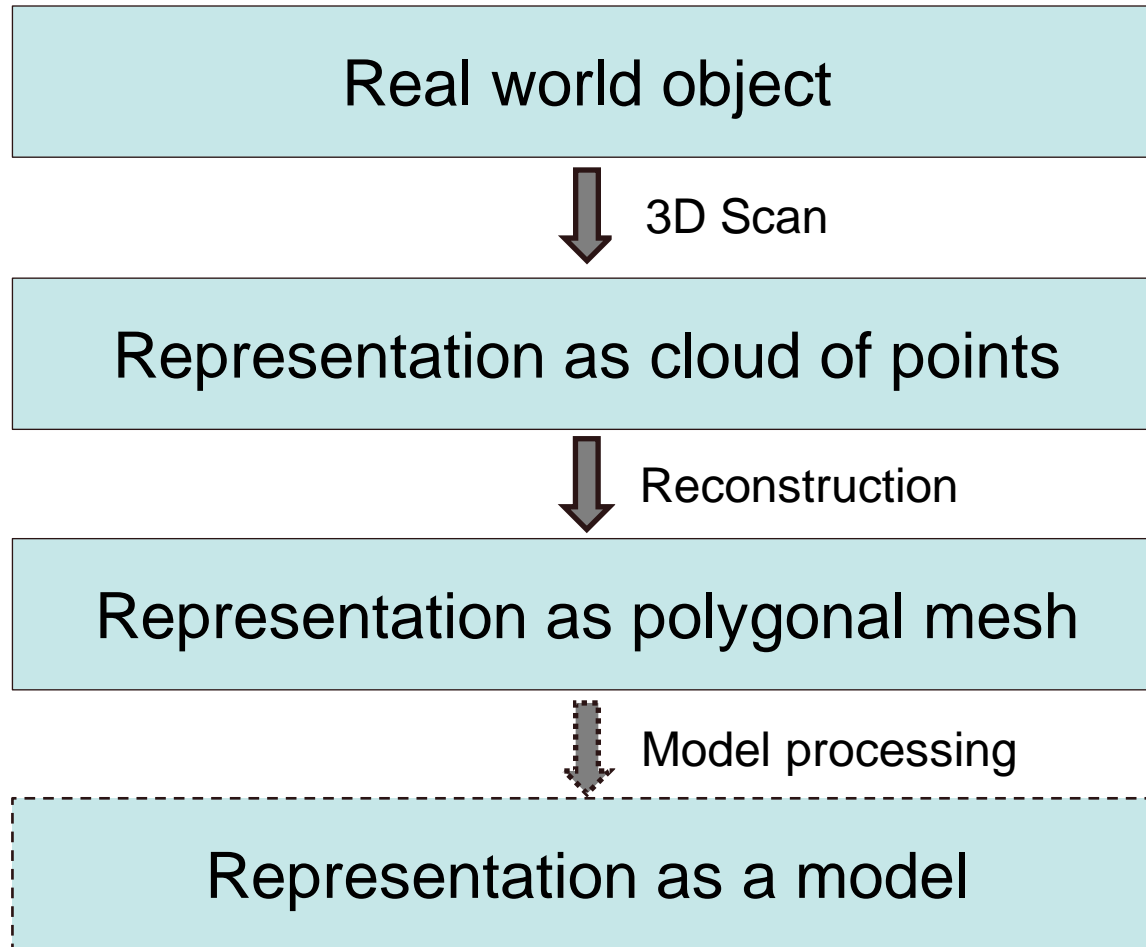
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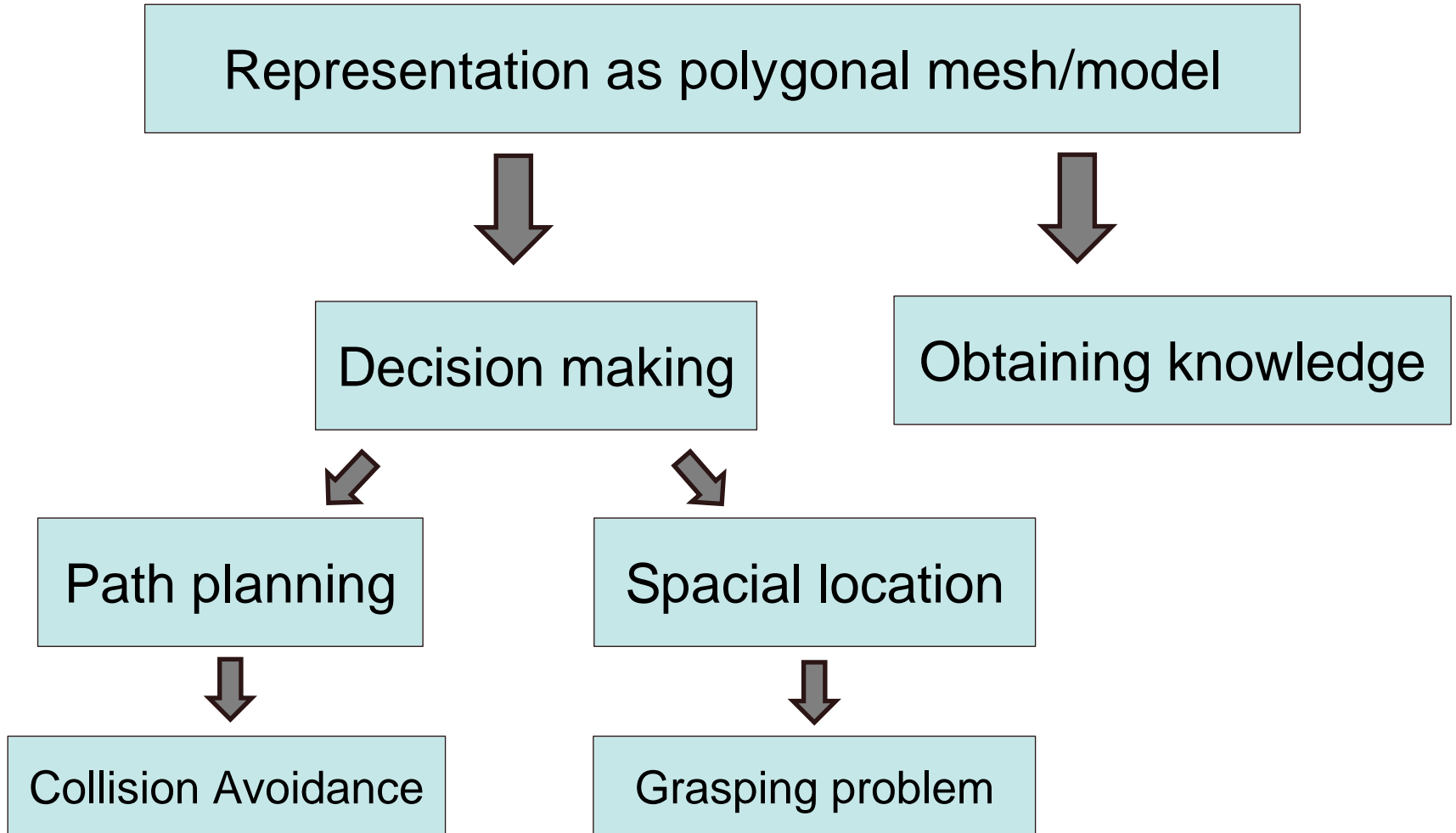
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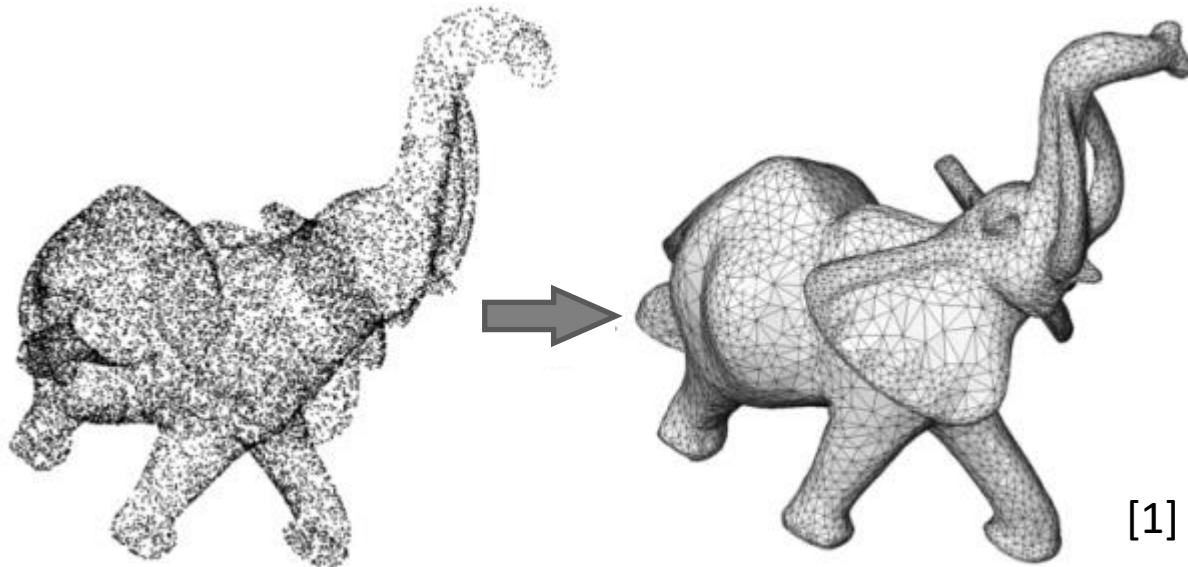
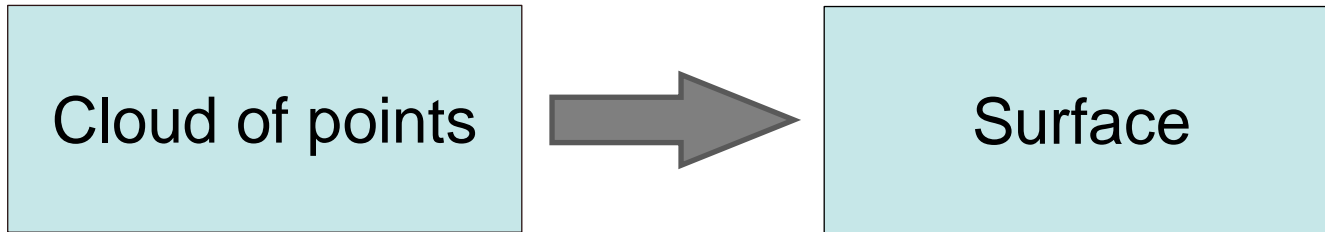
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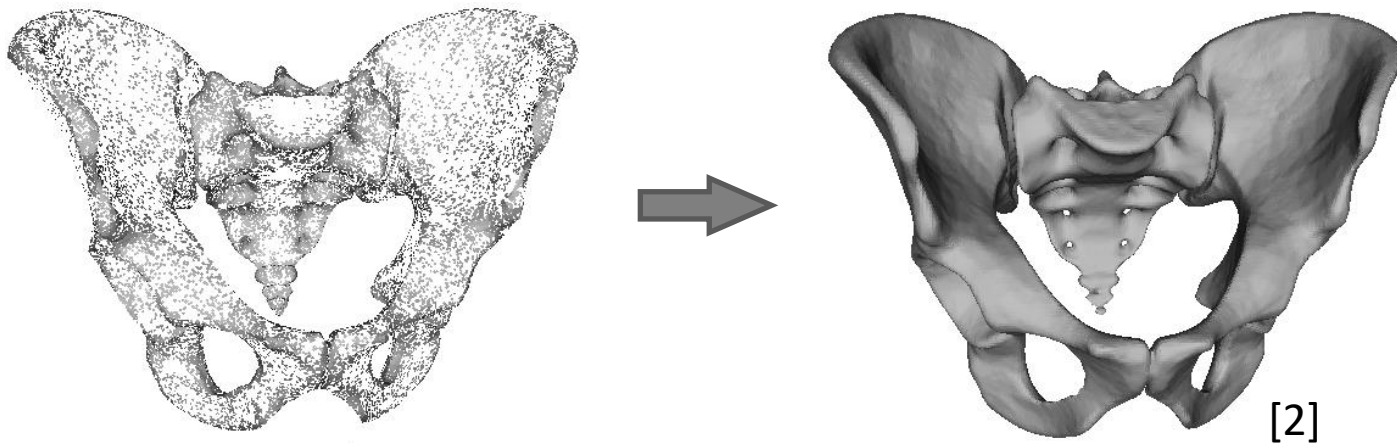
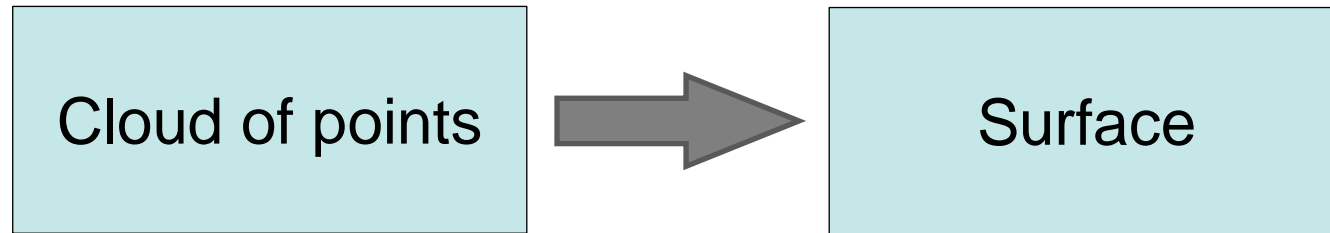
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Needs	Solutions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Solutions to the triangulation problem</li><li>- Fast enough algorithms</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- 3D Delaunay triangulation</li><li>- Alpha-complexes</li><li>- Local 2D Delaunay triangulation + incremental mesh algorithm</li><li>- ...</li></ul>

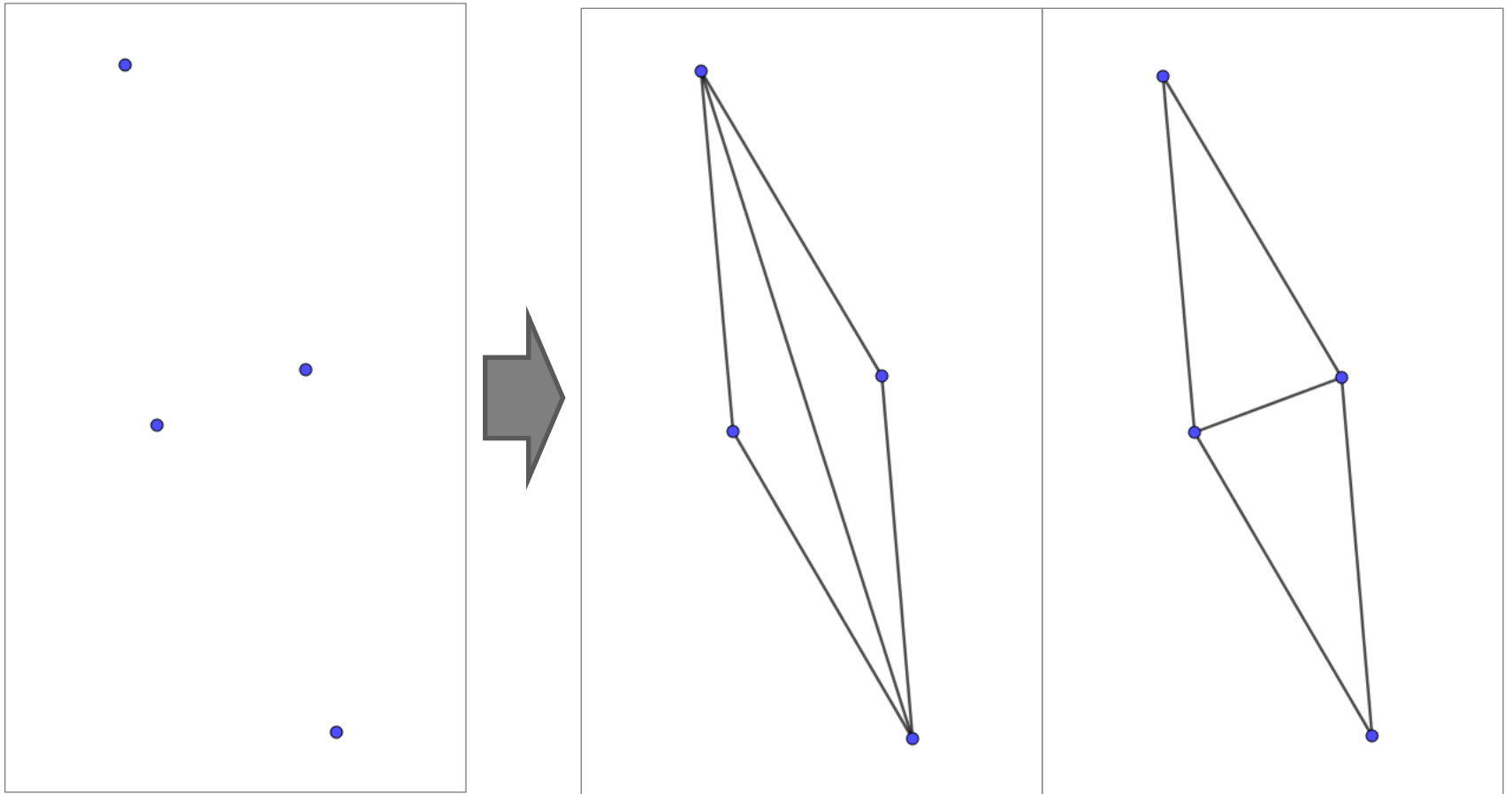
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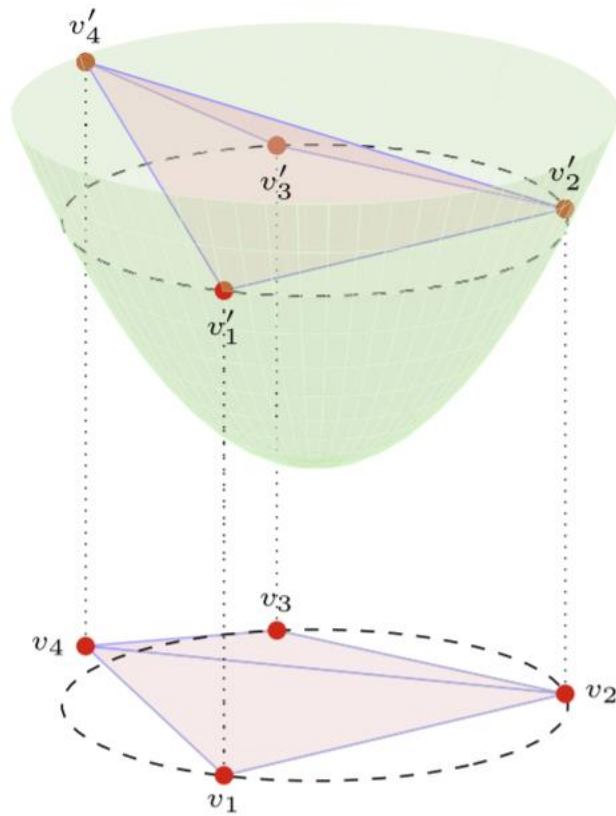
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# Delaunay triangulation

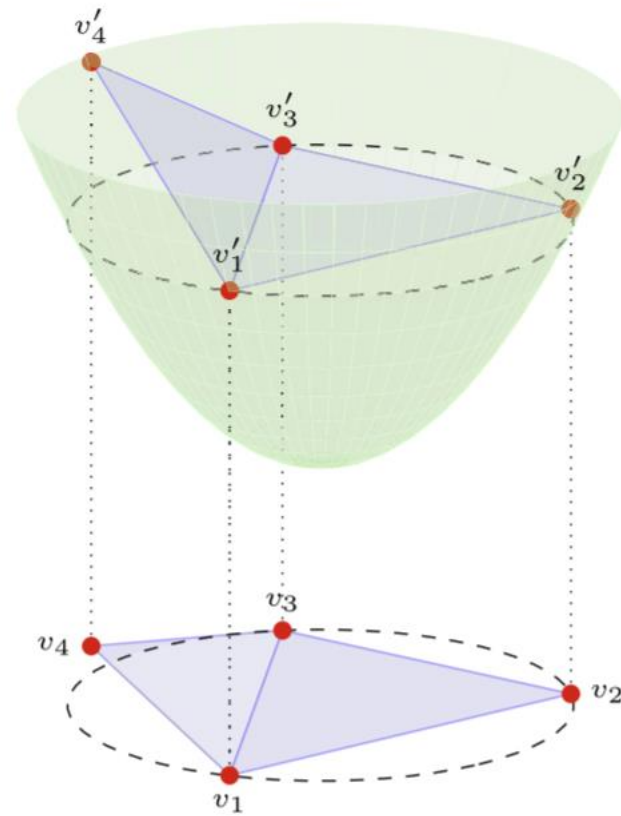
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# Delaunay triangulation



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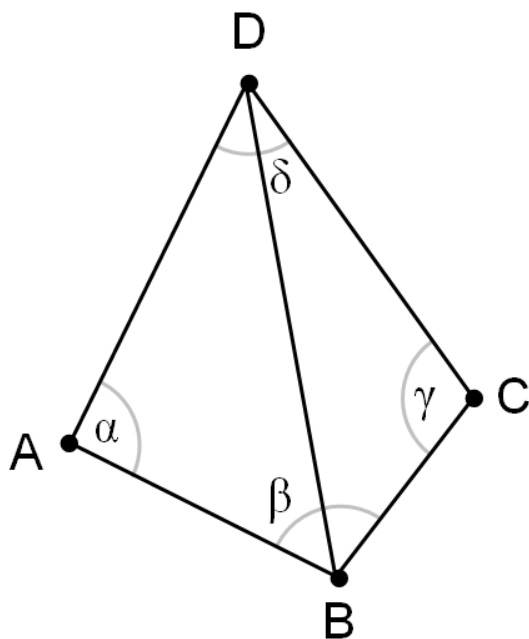


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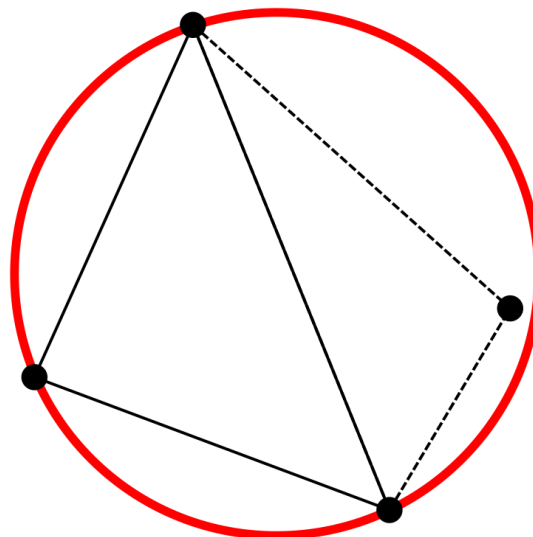
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# «Flipping» process

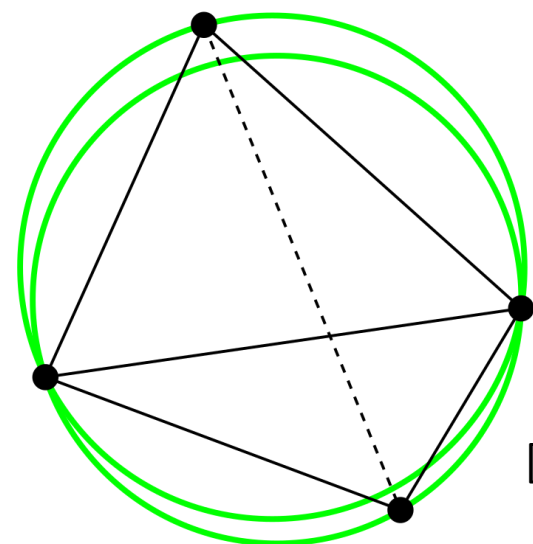
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Delaunay basic algorithm ( PointSet ){  
  graph = randomtriangulation( PointSet );  
  while ( !All_triangles_are_valid( graph ) ){  
    find invalid pair of triangles and flip it;  
  }  
  return graph;  
}
```



Non-valid triangles



Valid triangles

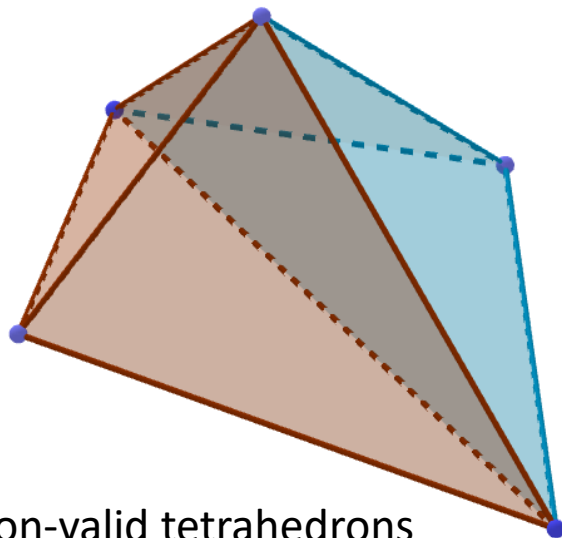


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# Generalization to N dimensions

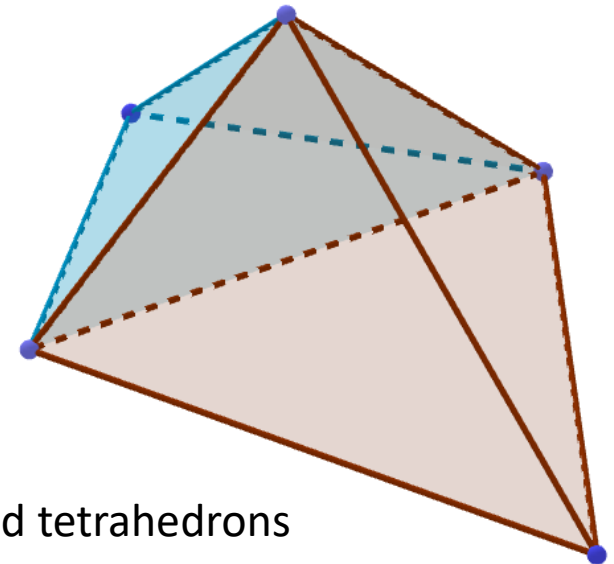
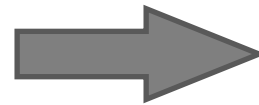
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```
ND-Delaunay basic algorithm ( PointSet ){  
    graph = randomtriangulation( PointSet );  
    while ( !All_n-simplex_are_valid( graph ) ){  
        find invalid pair of n-simplex and flip it;  
    }  
    return graph;  
}
```



Non-valid tetrahedrons

3D Example

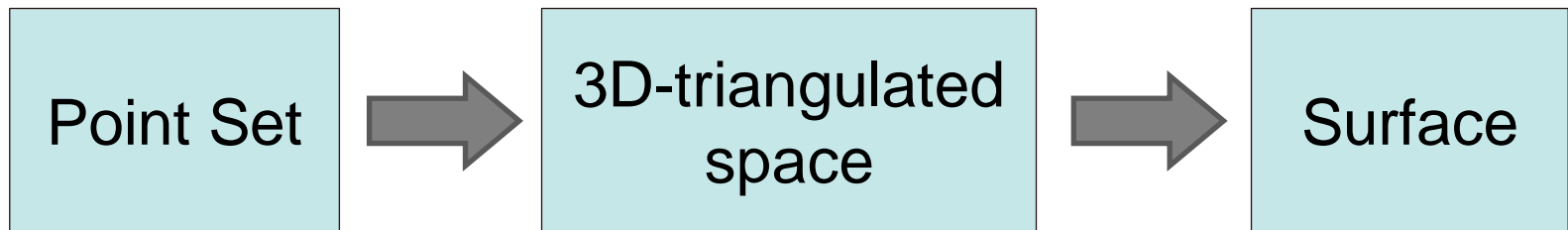


Valid tetrahedrons

# Generic algorithms

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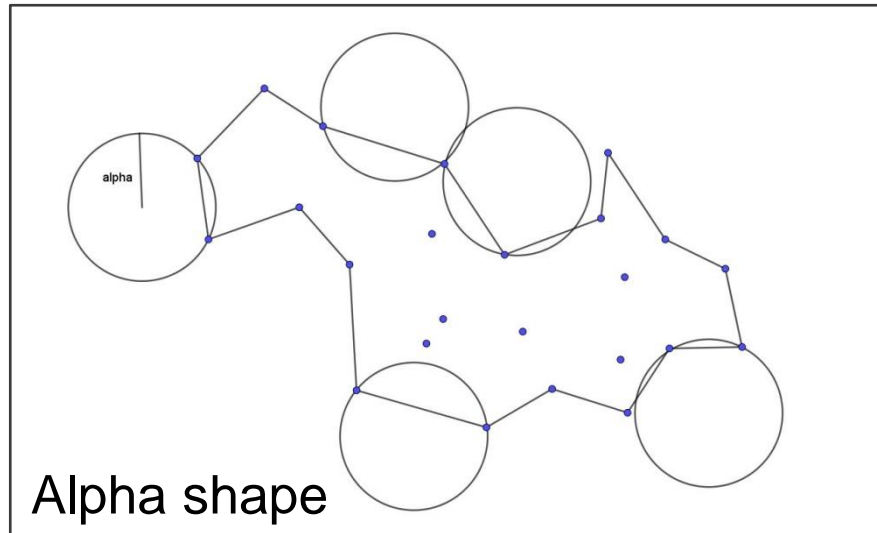
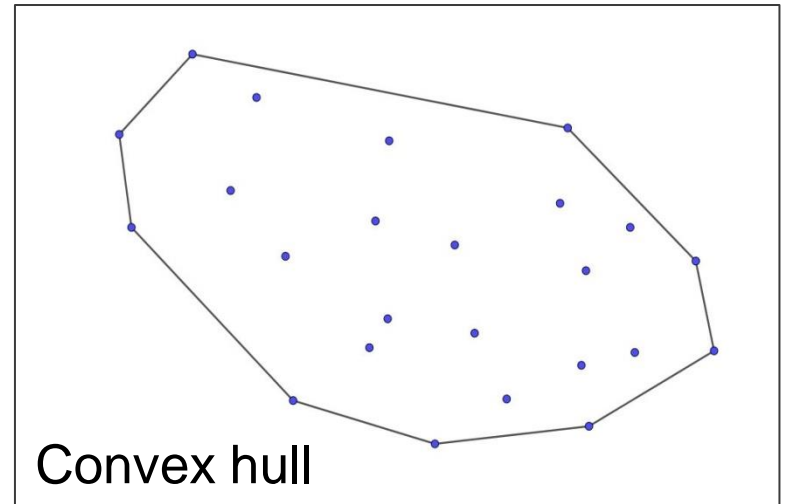
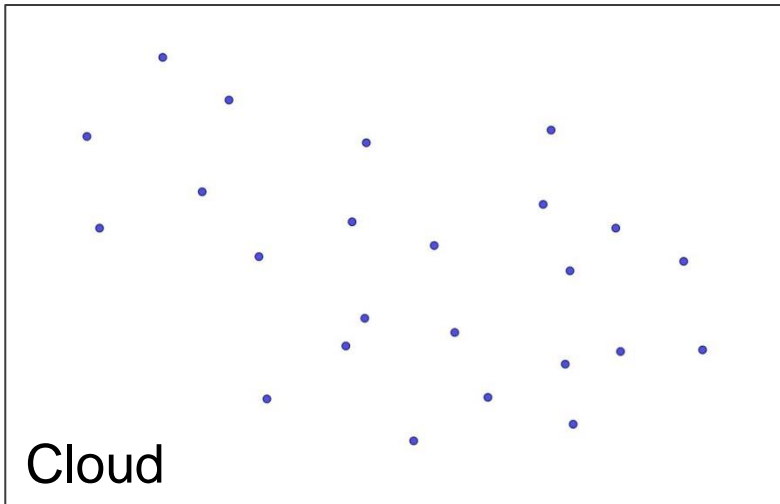
1) Through Delaunay 3D-triangulation



Principal disadvantage: High Complexity

# Alpha shapes

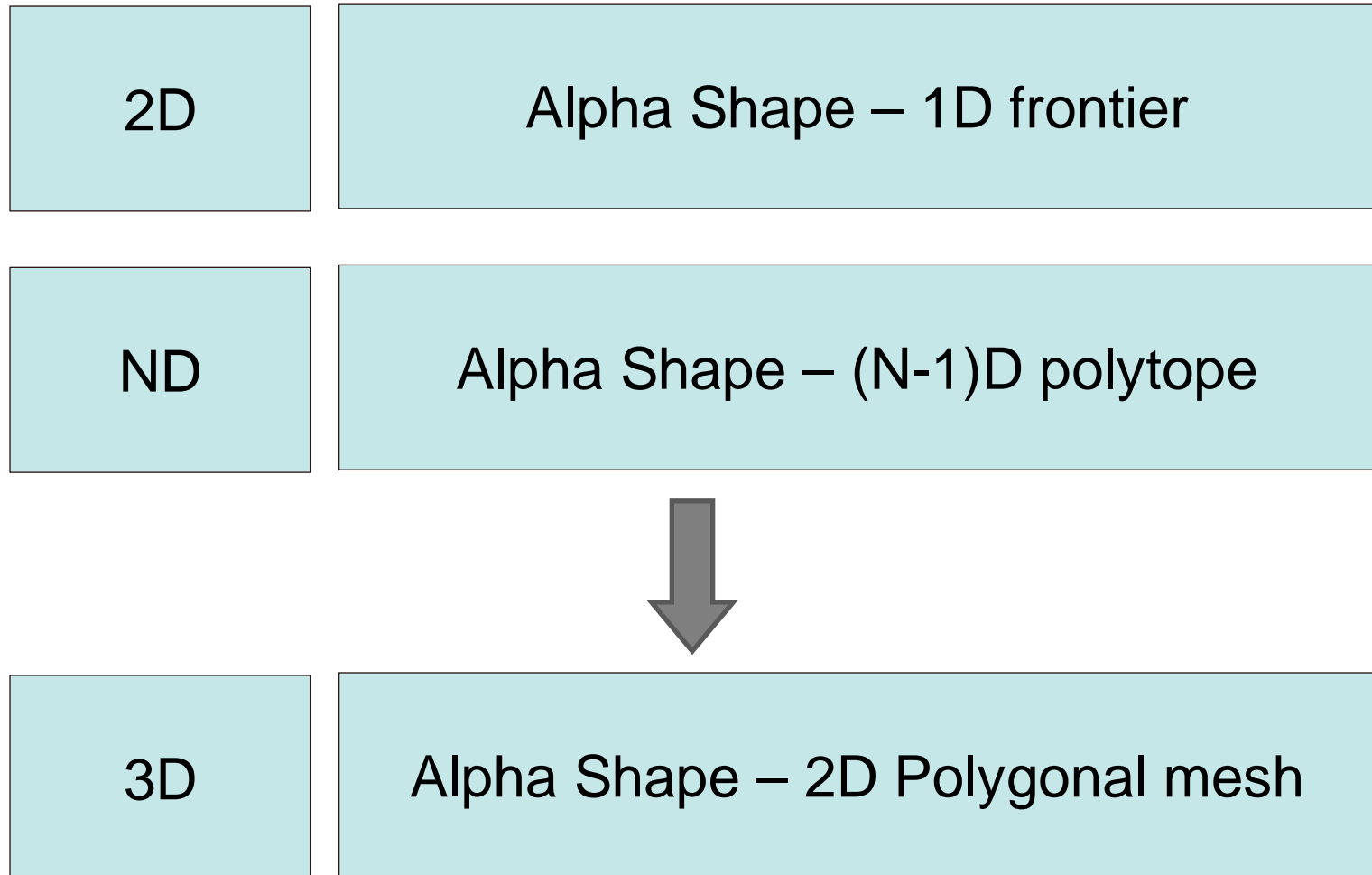
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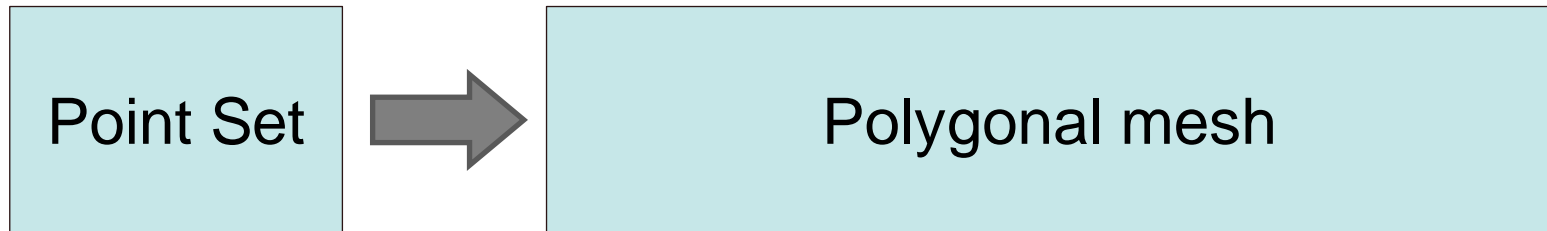
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# Generic algorithms

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1) Through 3D alpha shape generation



Principal disadvantage: ¿Which alpha do we choose?

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# Fast reconstruction

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**Alpha shapes**



Mesh-growing algorithm  
through Gabriel-2  
criterion

**Delaunay triangulation**



Divide-and-conquer  
approximation of  
Delaunay applied to  
locally flat surfaces

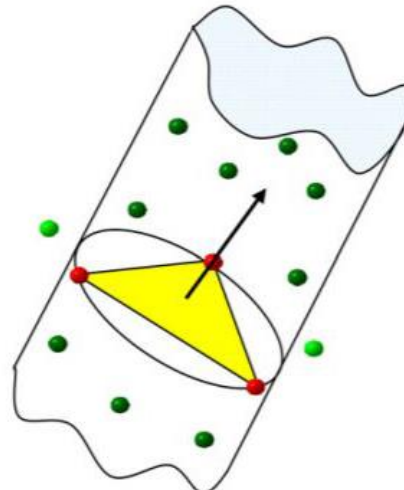
# G2C-based algorithm

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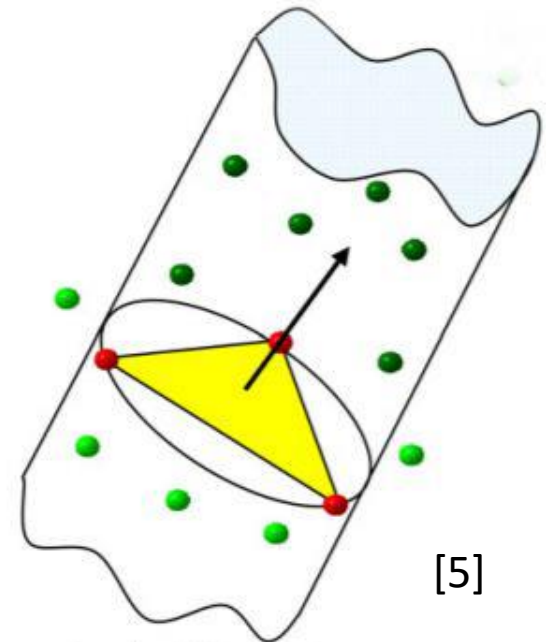
```
G2C_triangulation(Pset){  
    mesh = seed(Pset);  
    while(frontier_exists){  
        search_candidates;  
        mesh += candidates;  
    }  
    return mesh;  
}
```

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The triangle is not a good seed triangle



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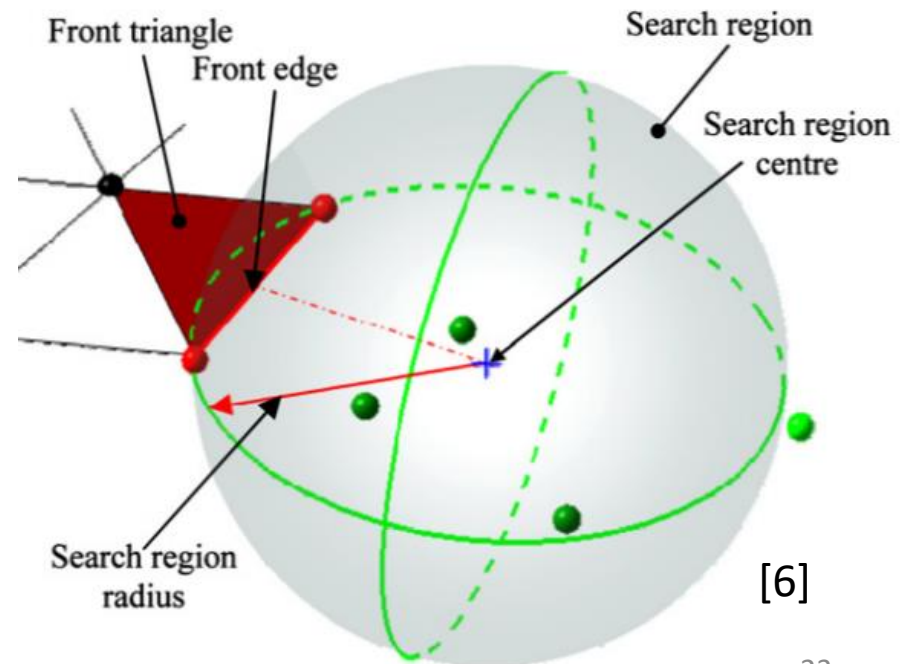
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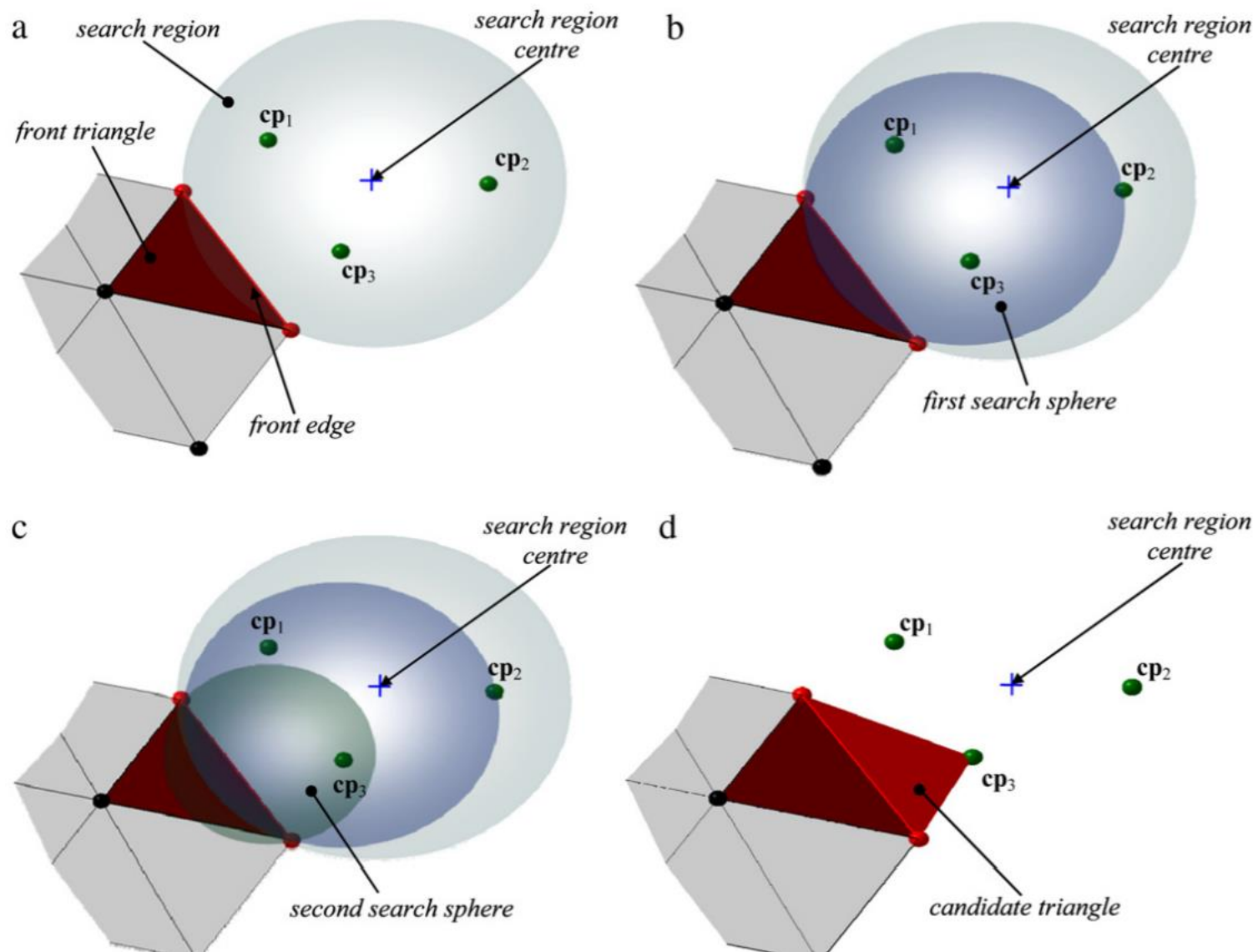
- Inner point of the cylinder
- Outer point of the cylinder

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# G2C-based algorithm

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<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Disadvantages</b>
<p data-bbox="117 748 942 862">Good approximation to Delaunay in simple, regularly-sampled surfaces</p> <p data-bbox="195 939 865 1053">Good approximation to alpha-complex in any surface</p>	<p data-bbox="1251 748 1543 793">Static model</p> <p data-bbox="1118 876 1678 922">Really sensible to noise</p>

# D&C locally-flattened Delaunay

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```
LFD-triangulation(Pset){
  divide set into subsets;
  normalize the subsets;
  for s in subsets{
    calculate average plane;
    project s in plane;
    Delaunay triangulation in s;
  }
  unite subsets into surfaces;
}
```

# D&C locally-flattened Delaunay

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<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Disadvantages</b>
<p data-bbox="127 748 933 858">Good approximation to Delaunay in all surfaces</p> <p data-bbox="256 939 803 1049">Easily modifyable to be incremental / dynamic</p> <p data-bbox="245 1130 815 1175">Not so sensible to noise</p>	<p data-bbox="1045 748 1754 858">Can have problems with more complicated surfaces</p>

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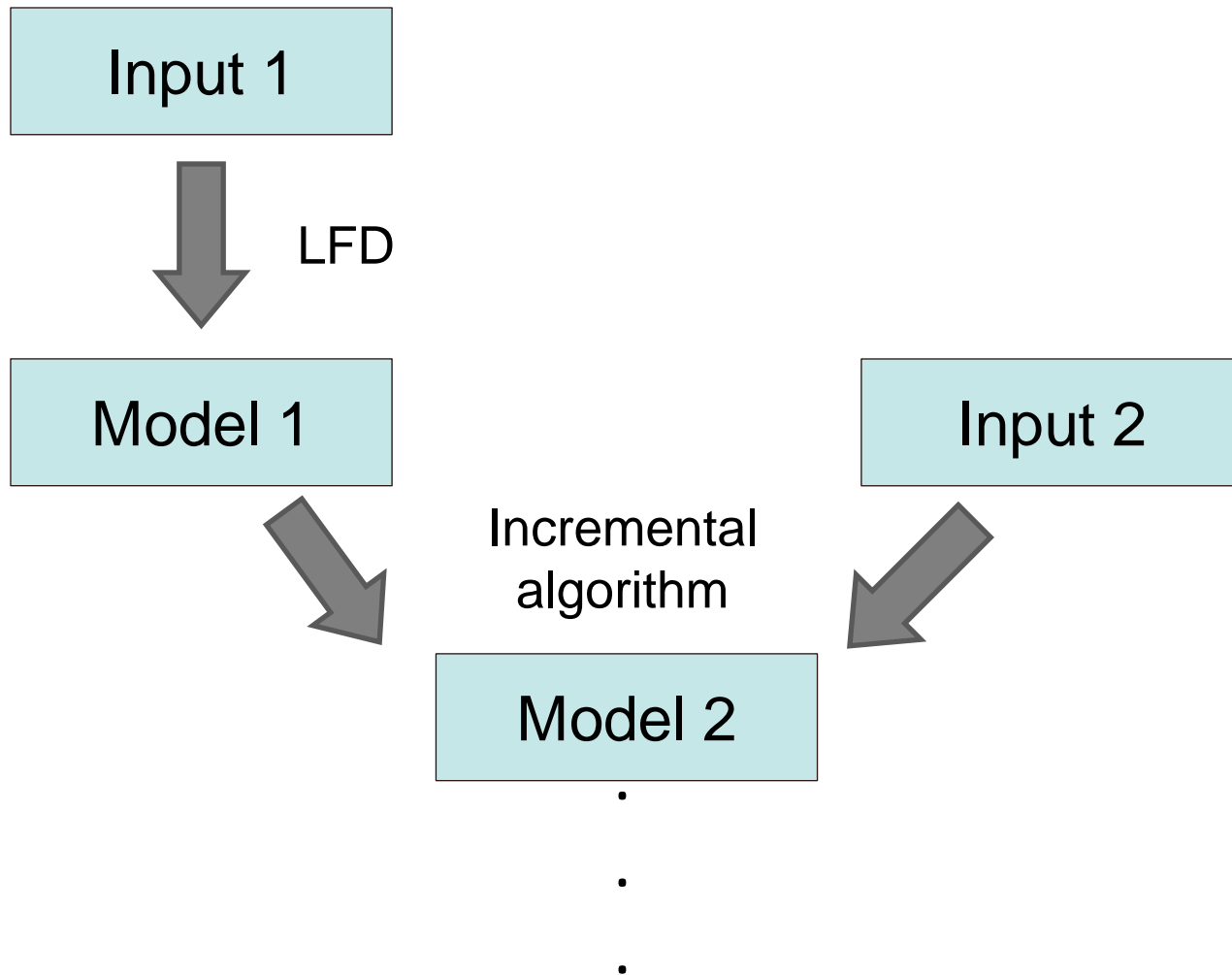
# Incremental reconstruction

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- Reconstruction of surfaces from more than one data input.
- Example: frames of a video taken by a moving camera.

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