

# Singular Foliations for Knit Graph Design

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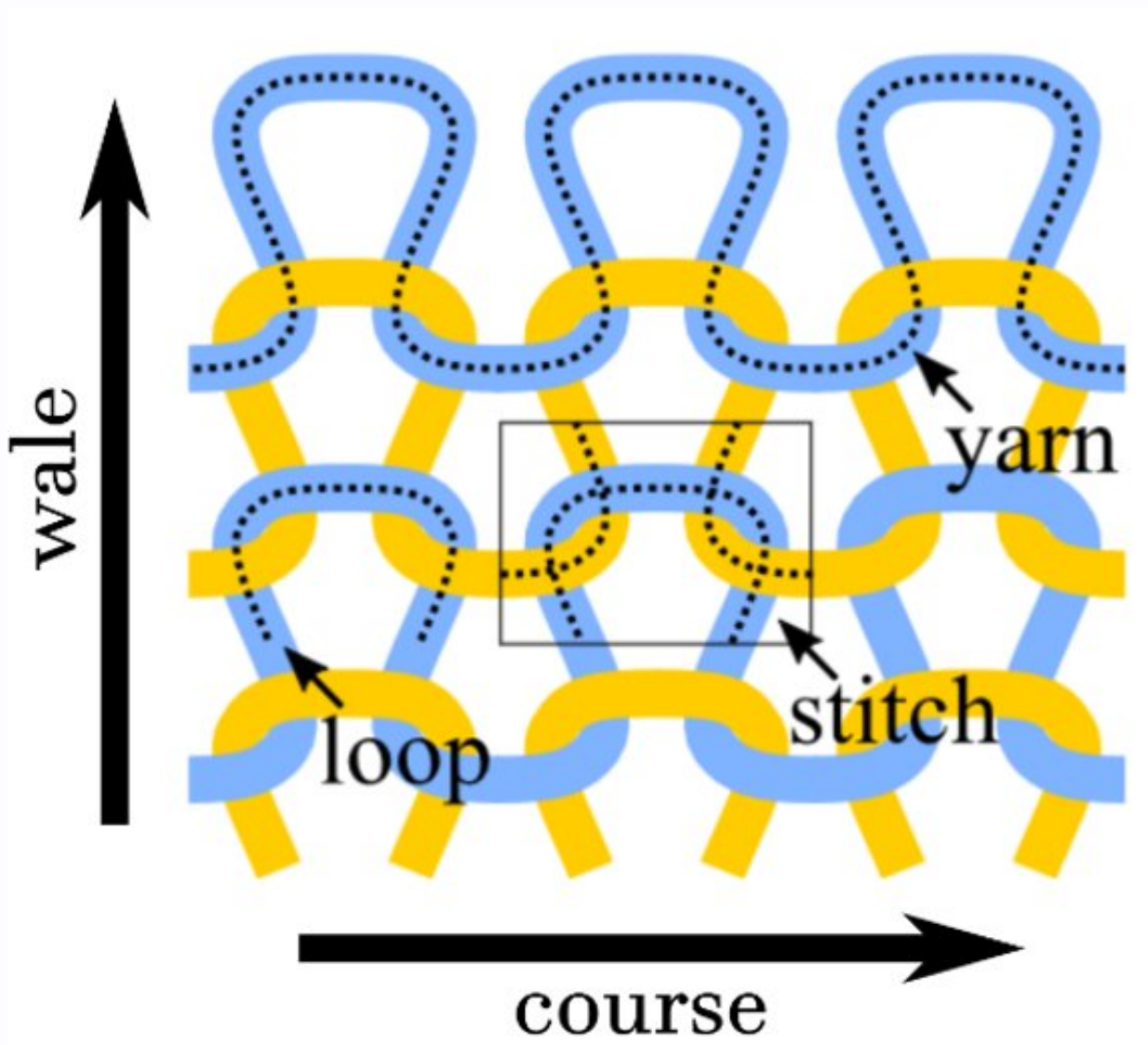
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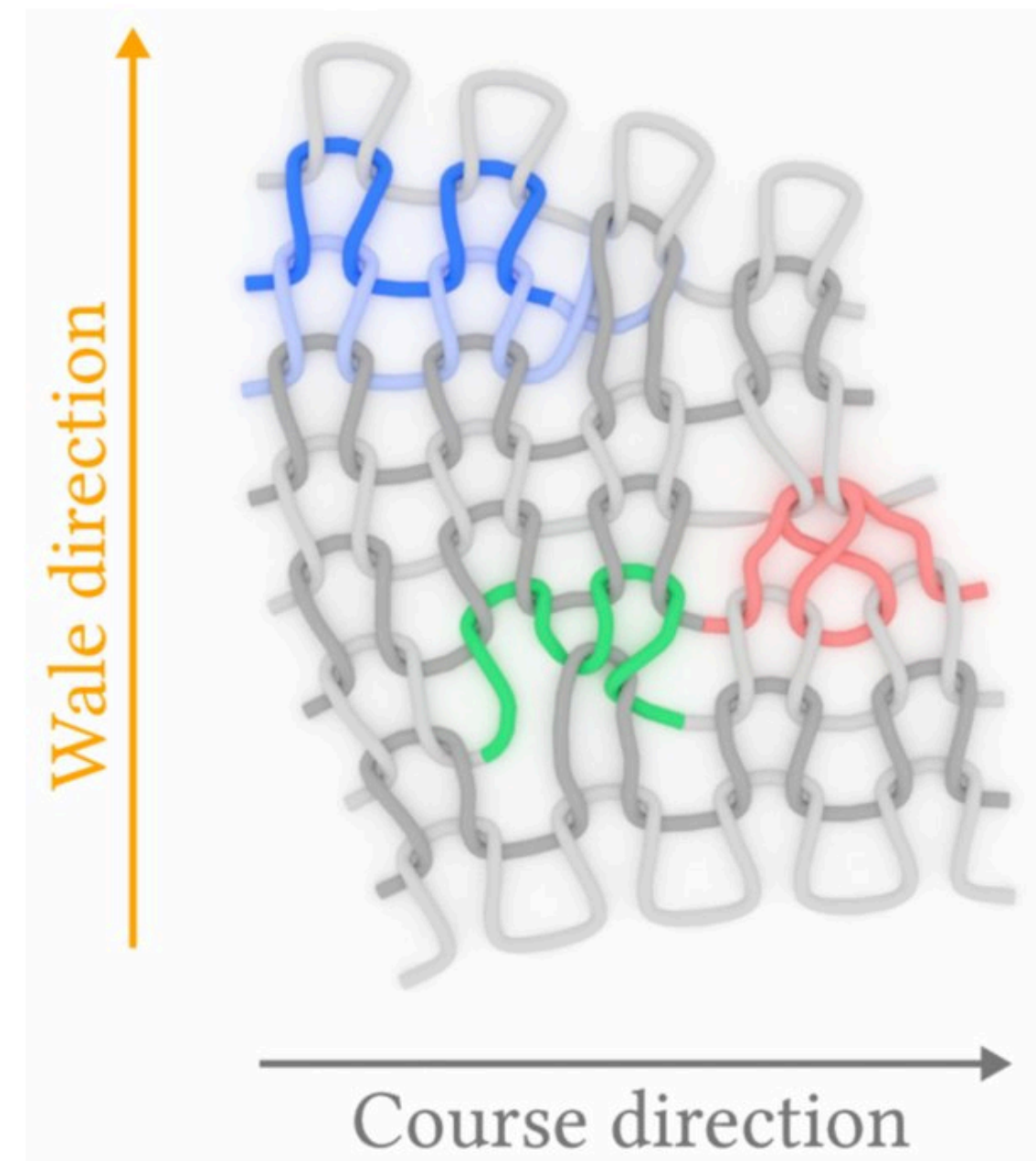


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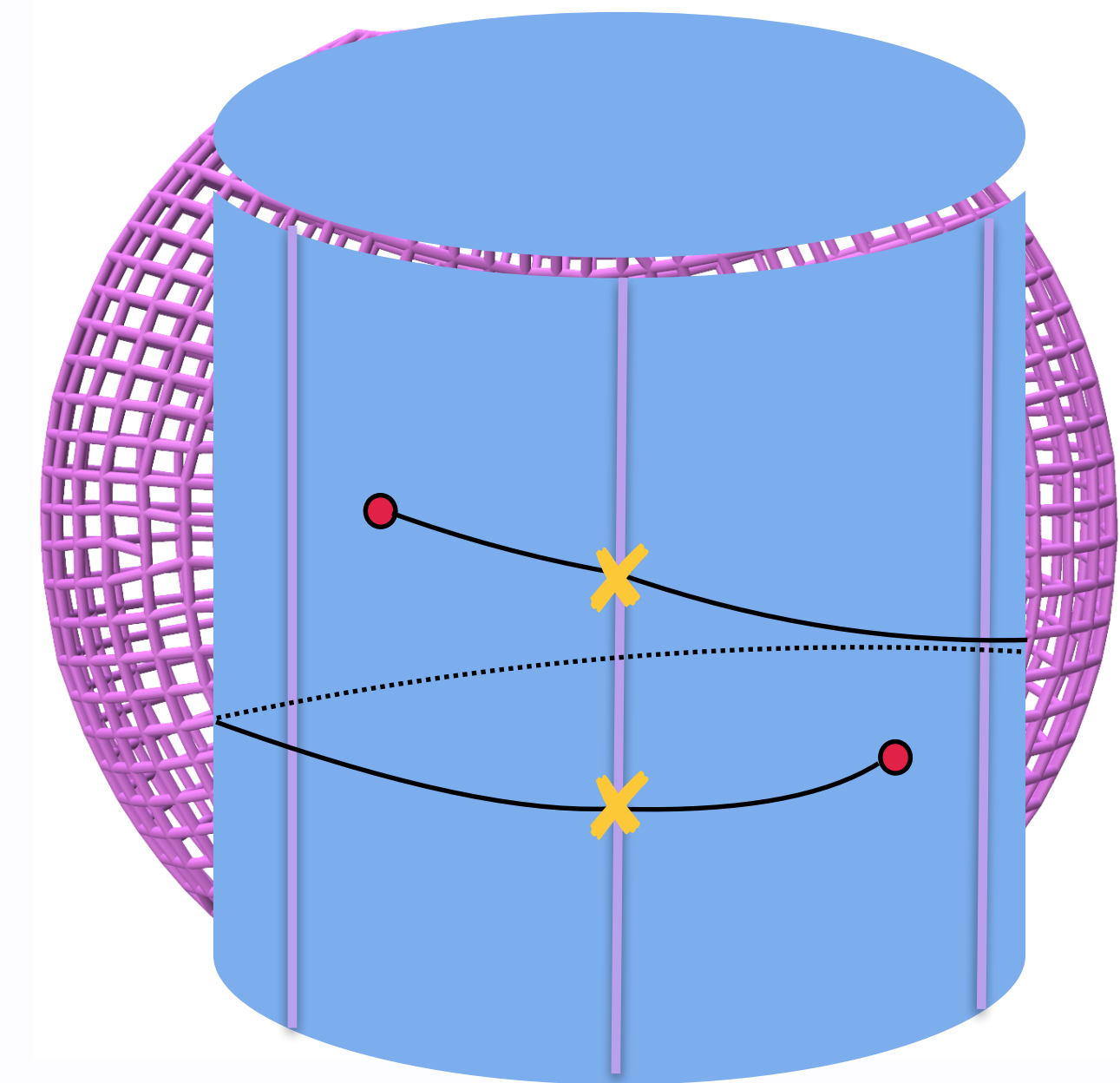
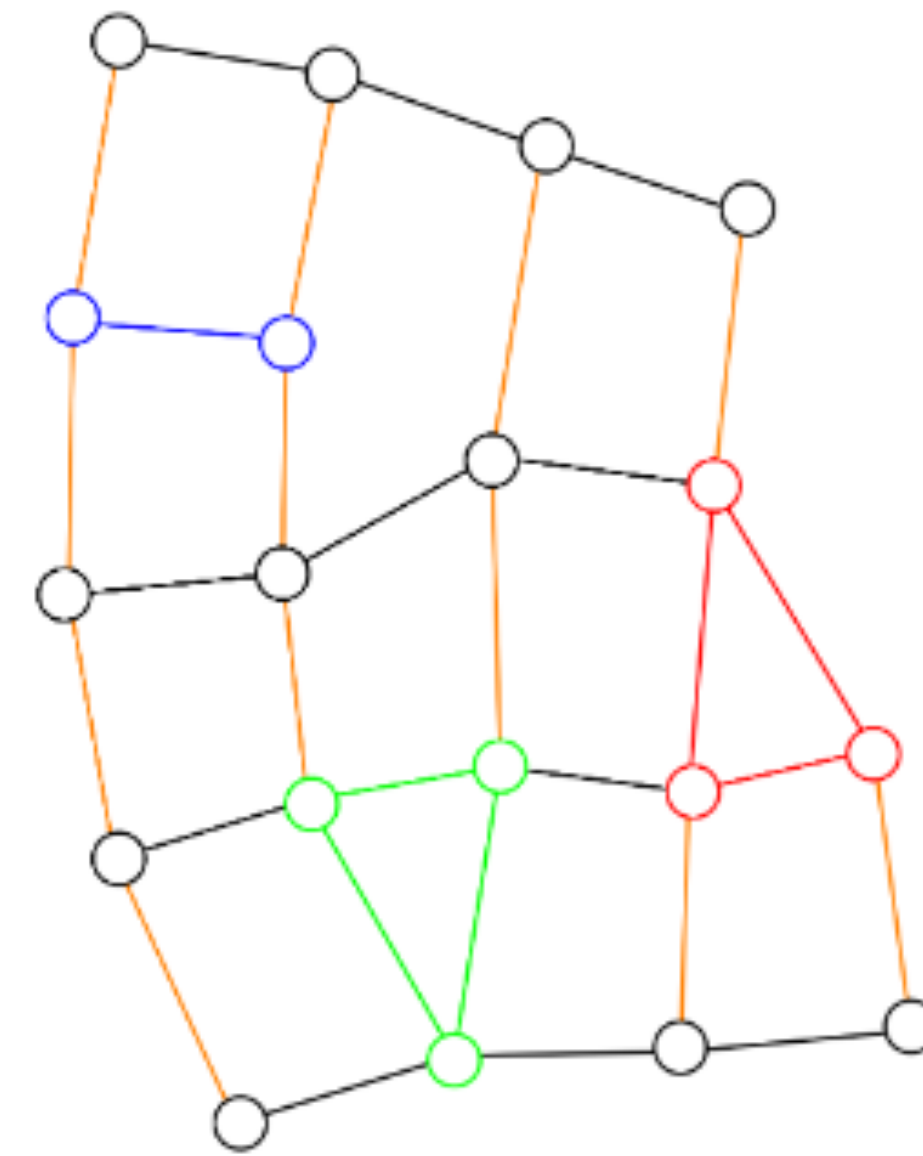
# Knit Graph Abstraction



Flat geometry<sup>1</sup>



Stitch irregularities induce curvature<sup>2</sup>



**Goal:** Given a 3D mesh, generate ~~Helix~~ helix-free knit graph over it

<sup>1</sup> from *Visual Knitting Machine Programming* (2019)

<sup>2</sup> from *Knit Sketching: from Cut and Sew Patterns to Machine-Knit Garments* (2021)



# Positioning our work

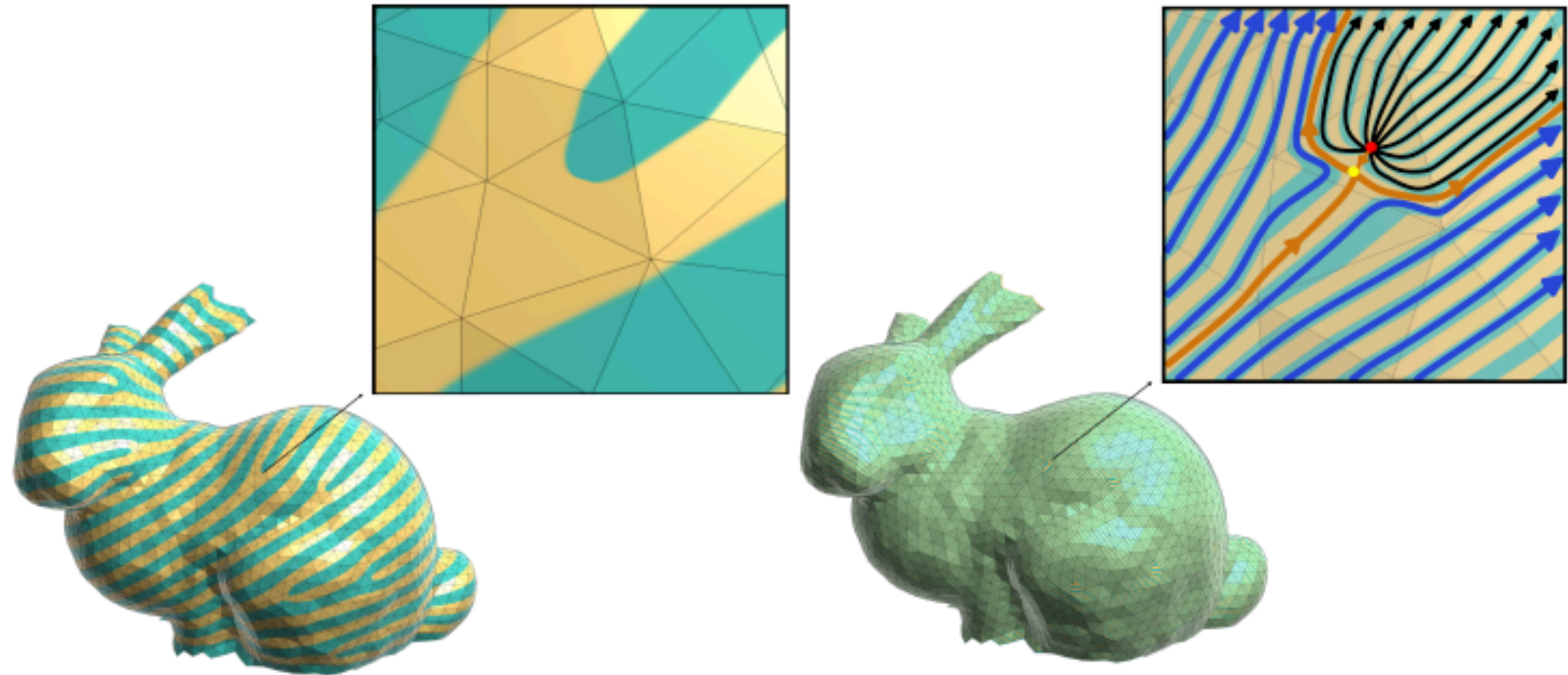
- **Goal:** Input 3D model  $\longrightarrow$  whole garment machine-knittable graphs
  - Similar works: **Autoknit** [Naryanan et al. 2018], **KnitKit** [Nader et al. 2021], **Helix-free Stripes** [Mitra et al. 2023]
- Stripe patterns for knitting
  - Evenly-spaced stripes  $\longleftrightarrow$  evenly spaced course rows and wale columns
  - **KnitKit** [Nader et al. 2021] - Quad mesh operators
  - **Helix-free Stripes** [Mitra et al. 2023] - Several linear constraints for helix-removal



Knöppel et al. [2015]

# Extensions to our previous work

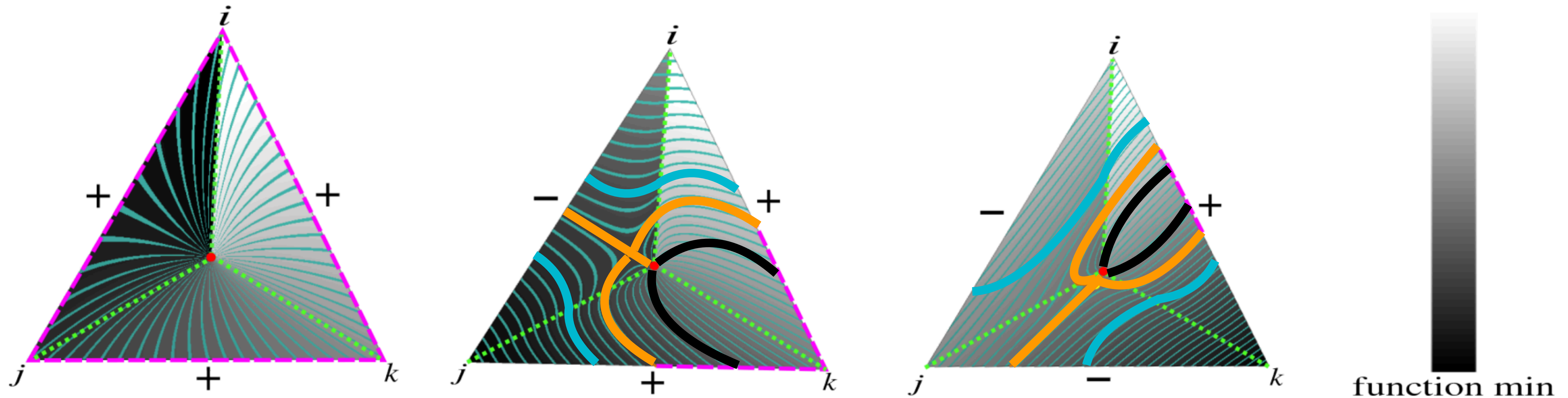
- Stripe patterns as **oriented foliations** (**integral curves of vector field**)
  - Can remove helicing of **any stripe integral curve**
  - Previous work can remove helicing in only certain integral curves
- Automatic matching of singular triangles
  - Minimum weight matching problem
  - Customized weights





# Foliation Behavior over Singular Triangles

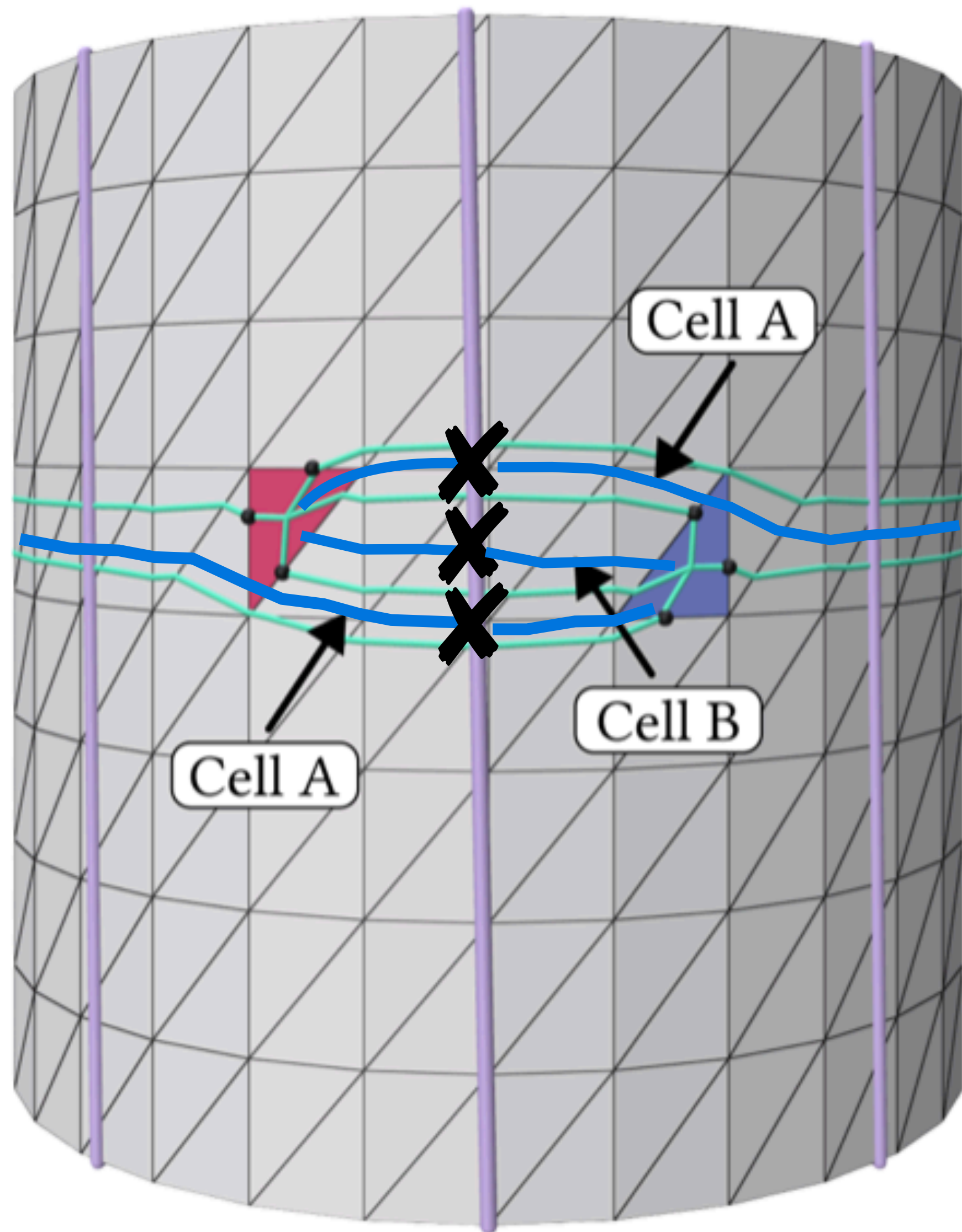
Knöppel et al. [2015] stripes on singular triangles



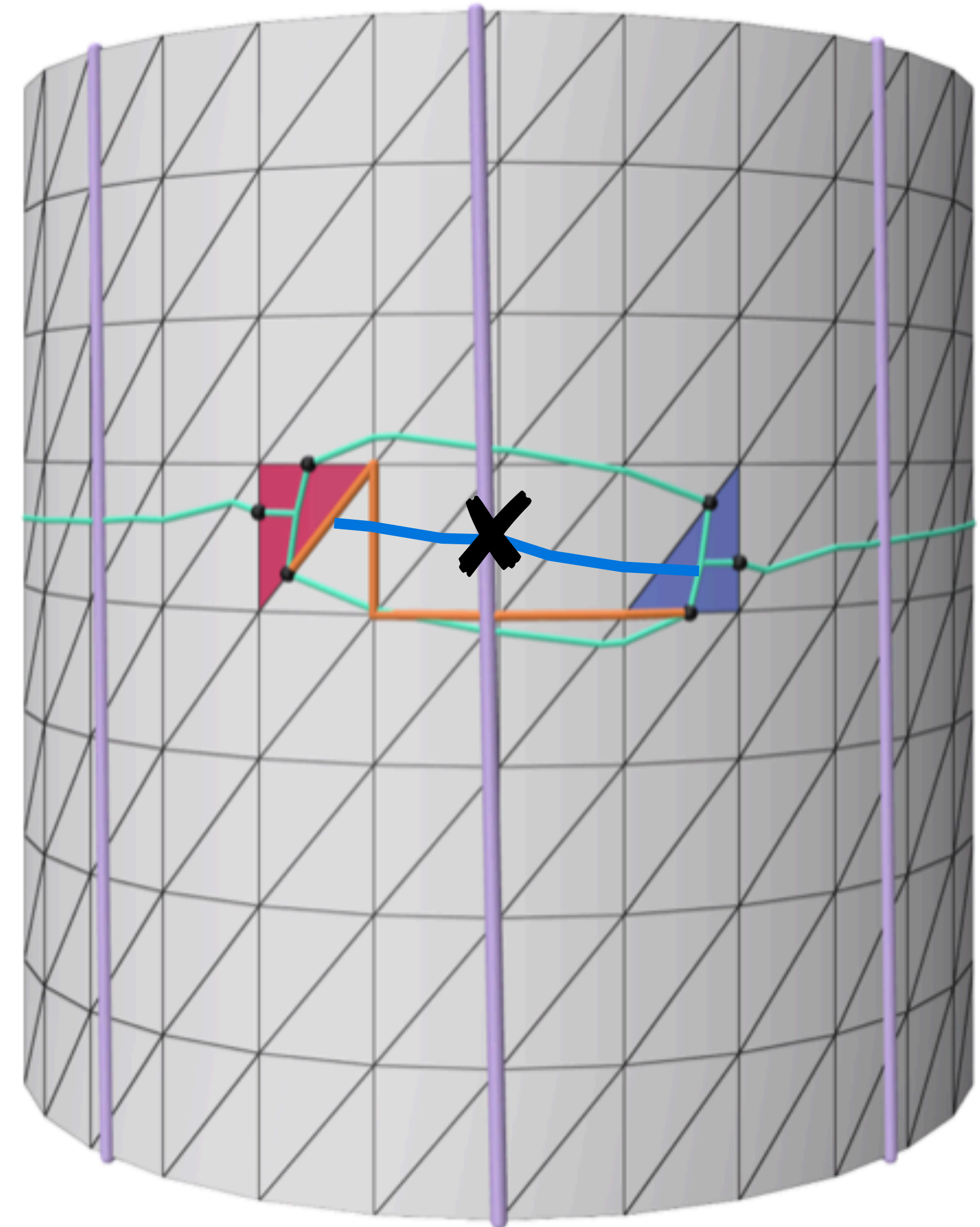
- Upshot: Exact **characterization** of where the **separatrices** hit the boundary
  - Matching separatrices enforces helix-free condition



# Precise Topological Control of Stripes

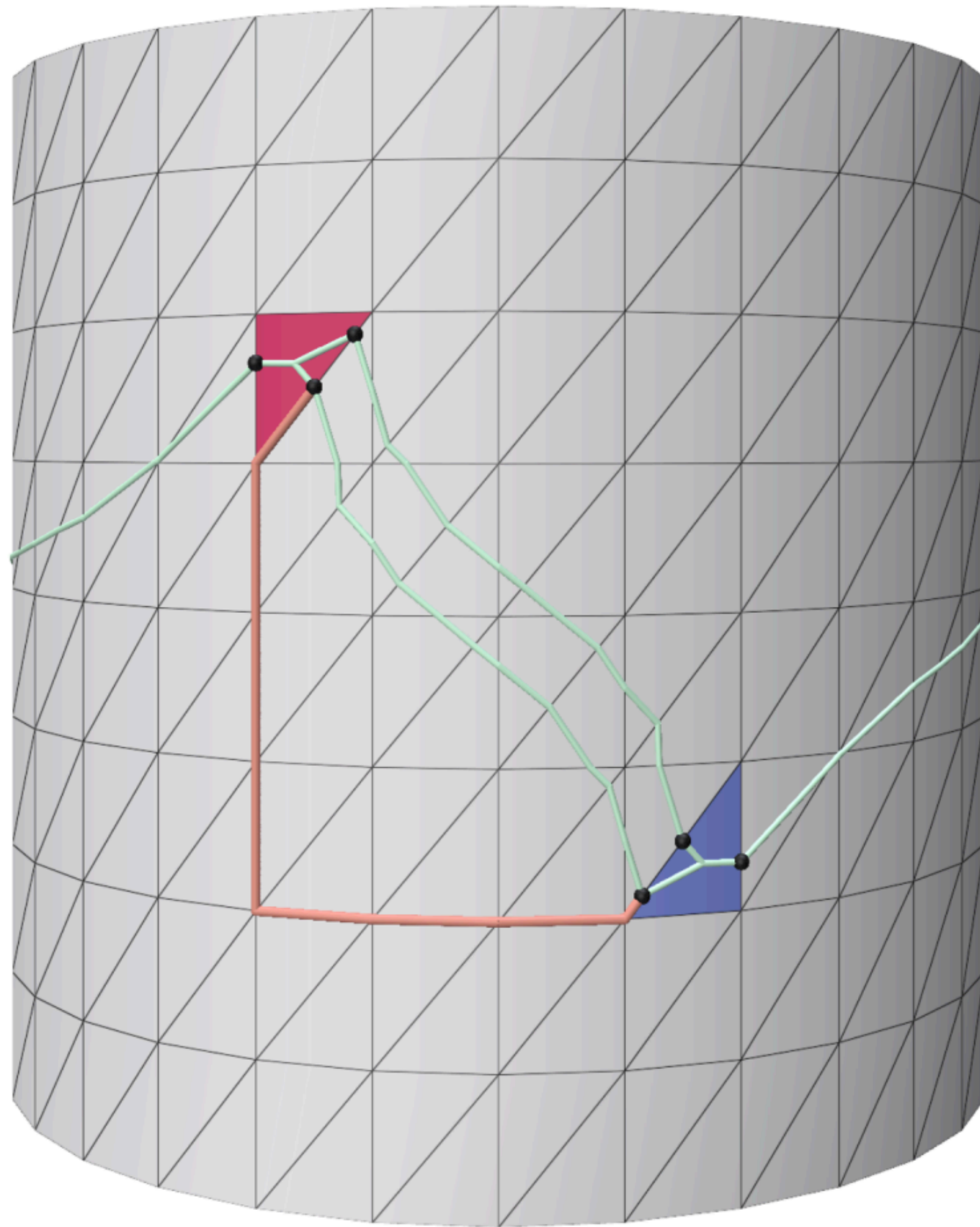


Automatic Separatrix Matching





# Automatic Singularity Matching

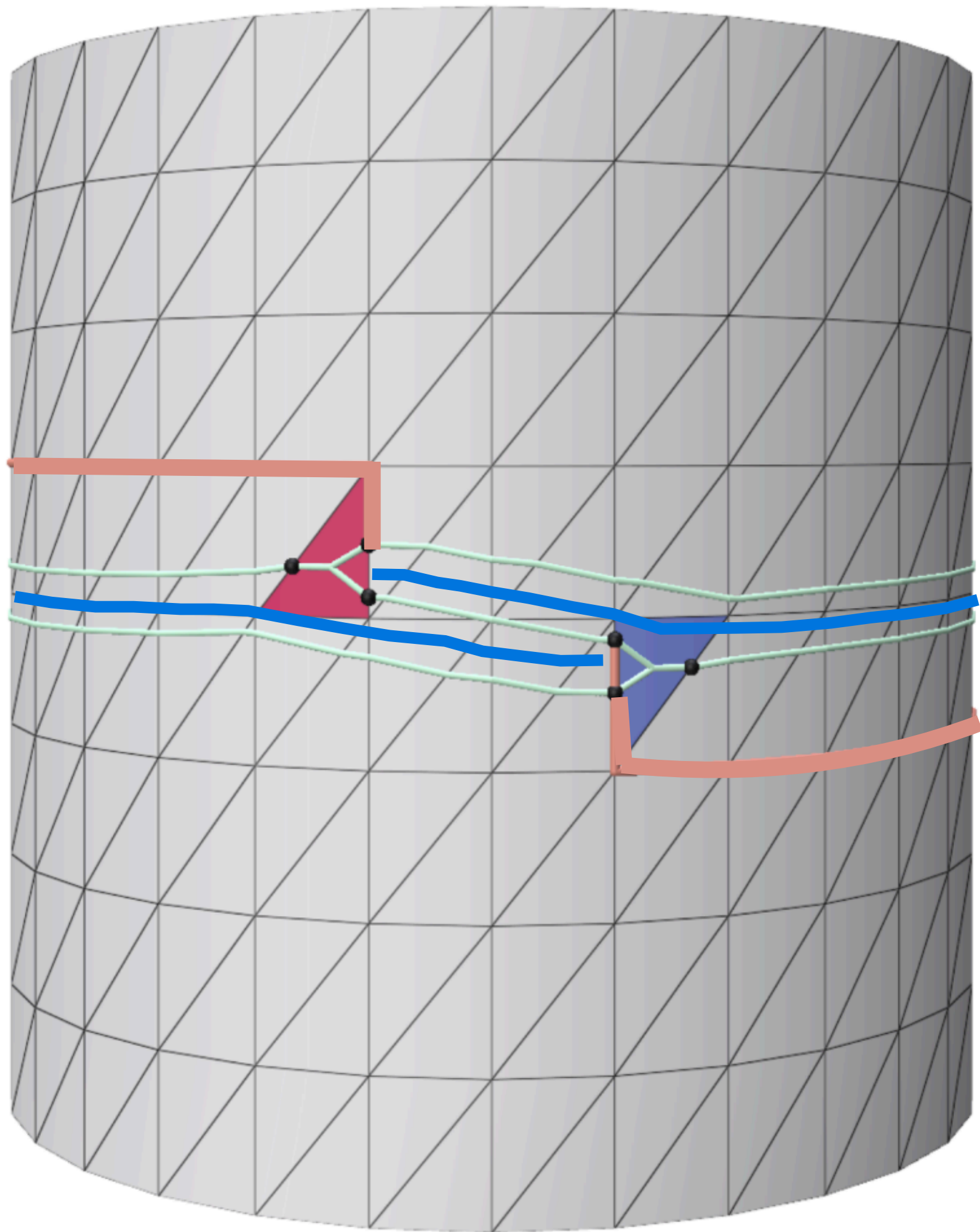


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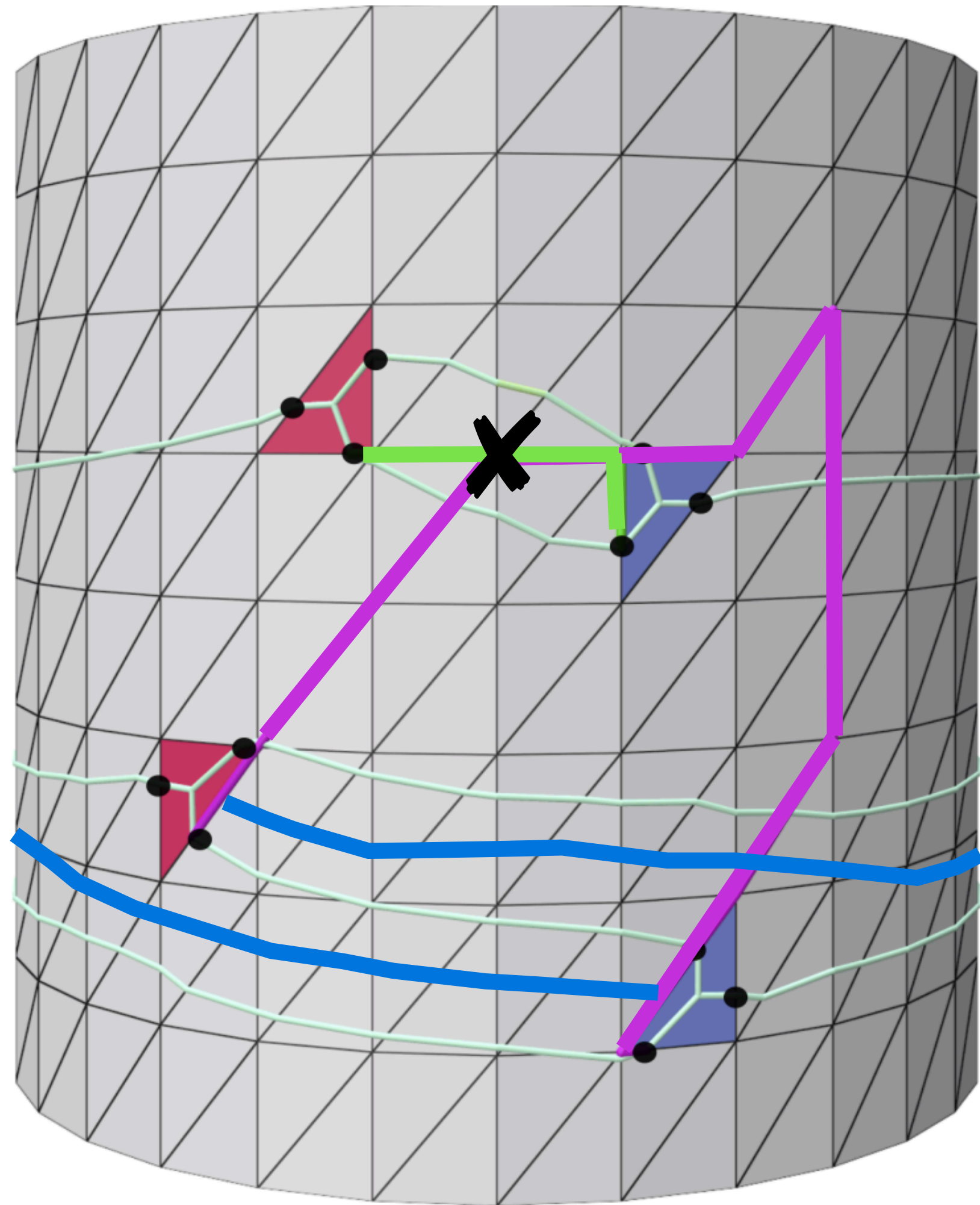


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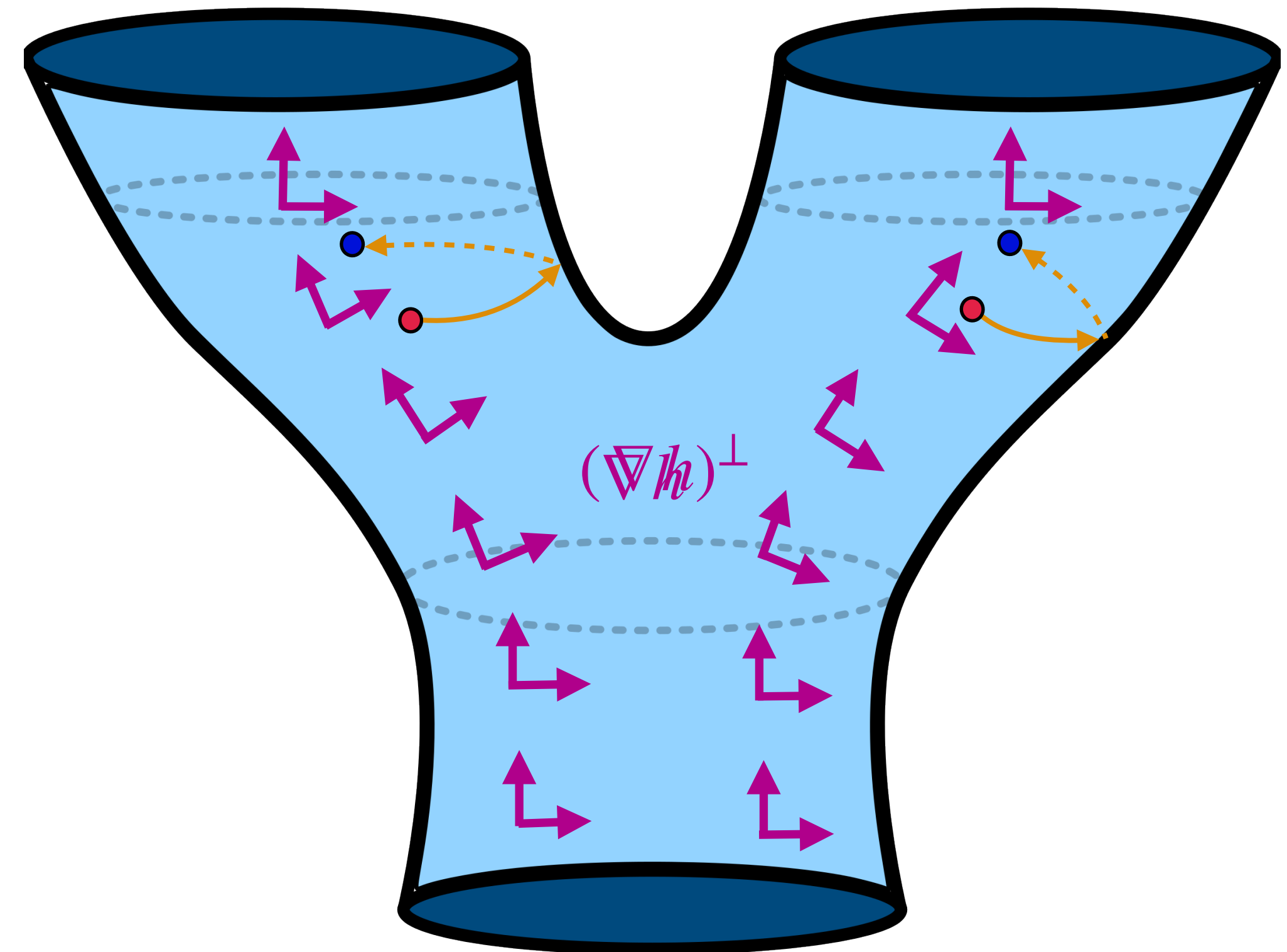


# Automatic Singularity Matching

- Minimum weight matching LP

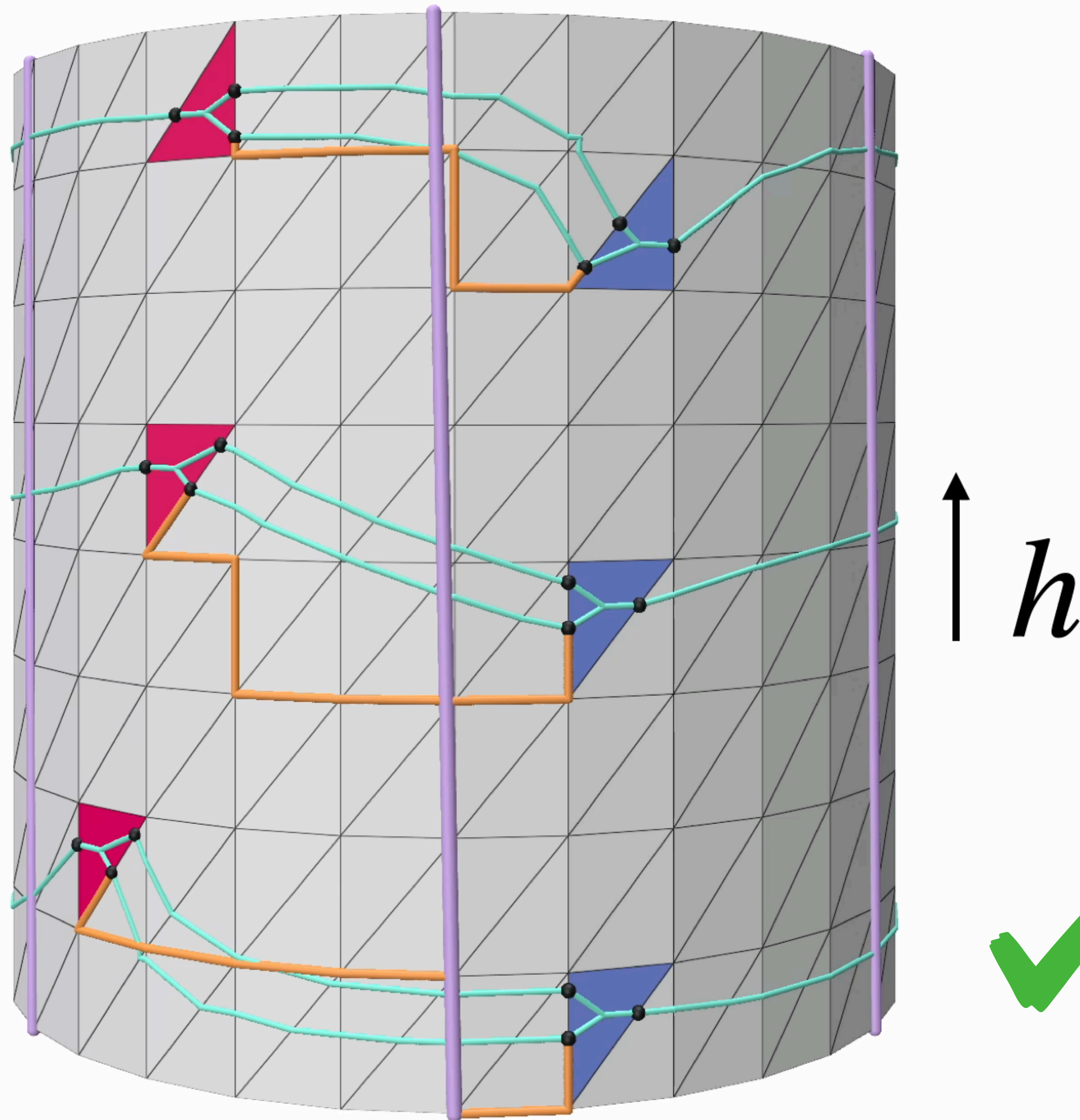
$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{T} \in [0,1]^{s \times s}} \langle \mathbf{C}, \mathbf{T} \rangle \\ & \text{such that} \quad \mathbf{T} \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{1}^T \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{C} \in (R^+)^{s \times s}$ ,  $C_{ij}$  = cost of assigning singularity  $i$  to singularity  $j$





# Automatic Singularity Matching - Result



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- Singularities on the same isoline matched ✓
- Path constraints flow from positive singularity to negative singularity ✓
- Non-intersecting path constraints ✓



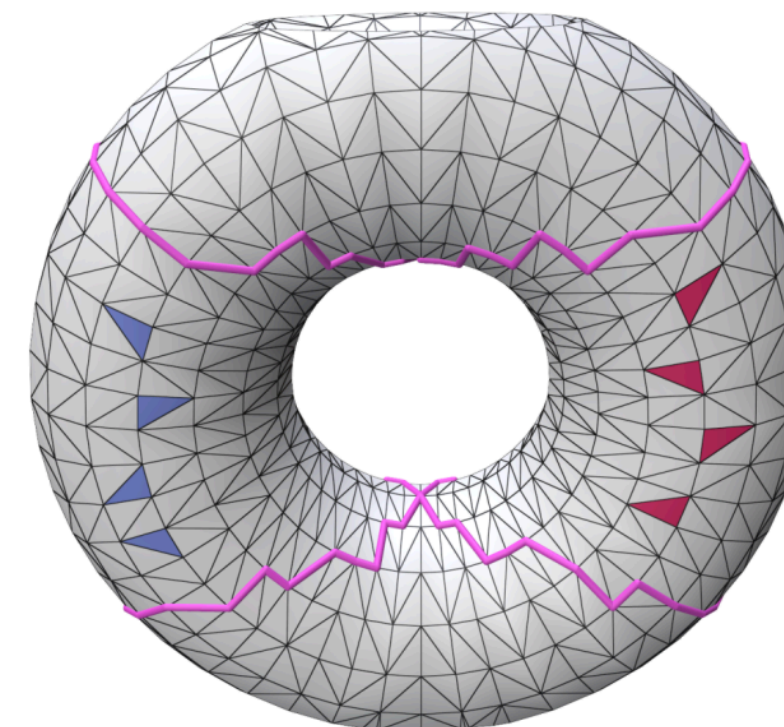
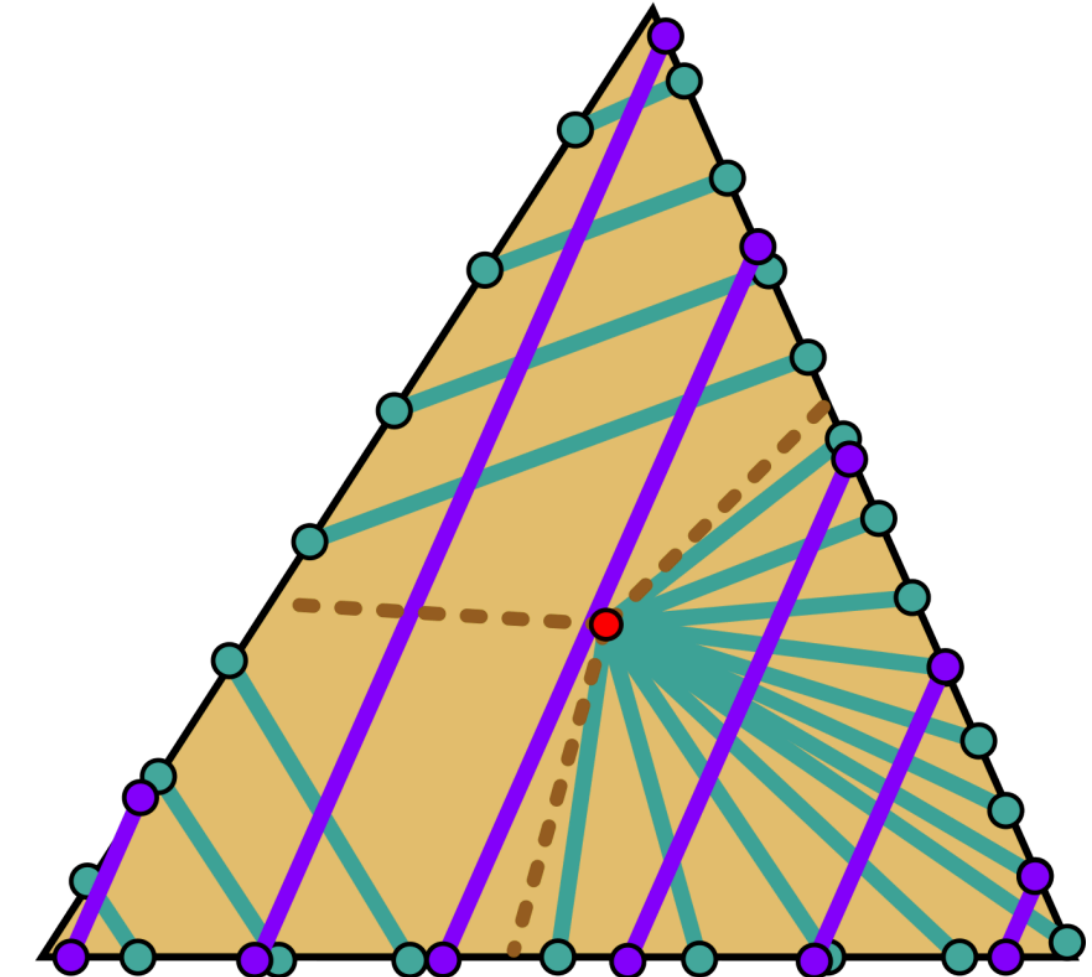
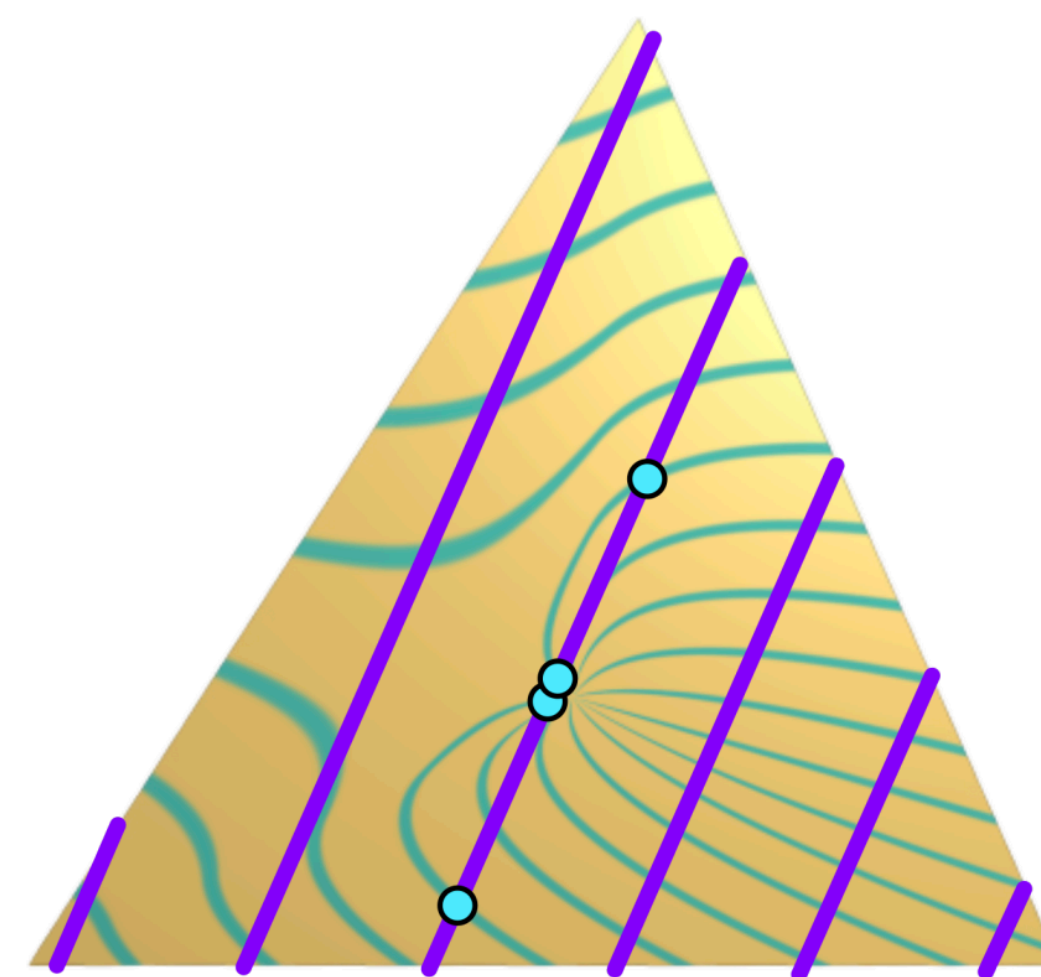
# Results



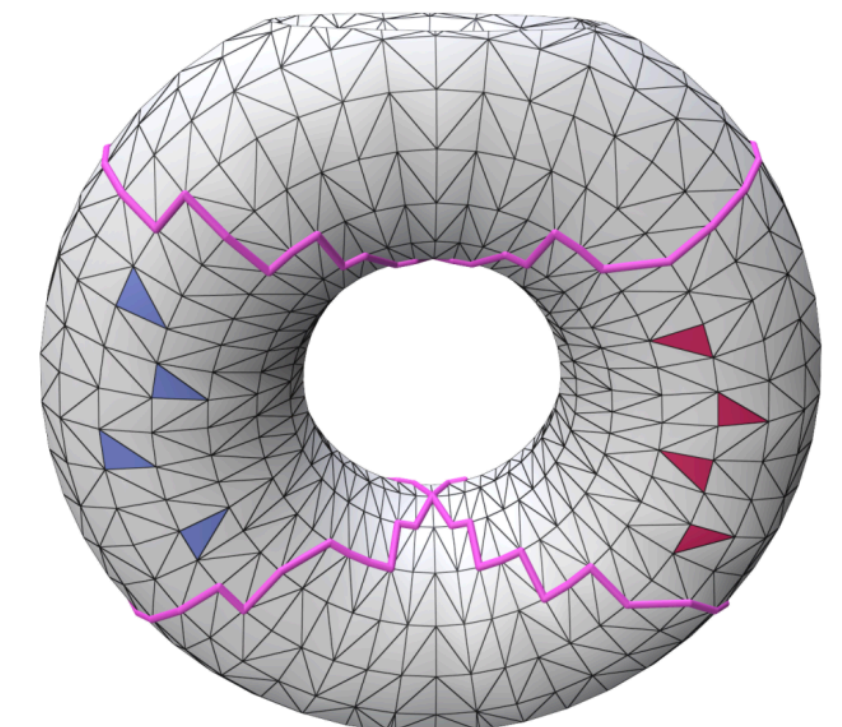


# Summary

- Stripe patterns as foliations to achieve more precise control preventing helicing of **any** integral curve
- Automatic matching of singular triangles
- Effective Interpolant for robust stripe tracing
- Extension to models with genus via Morse decomposition



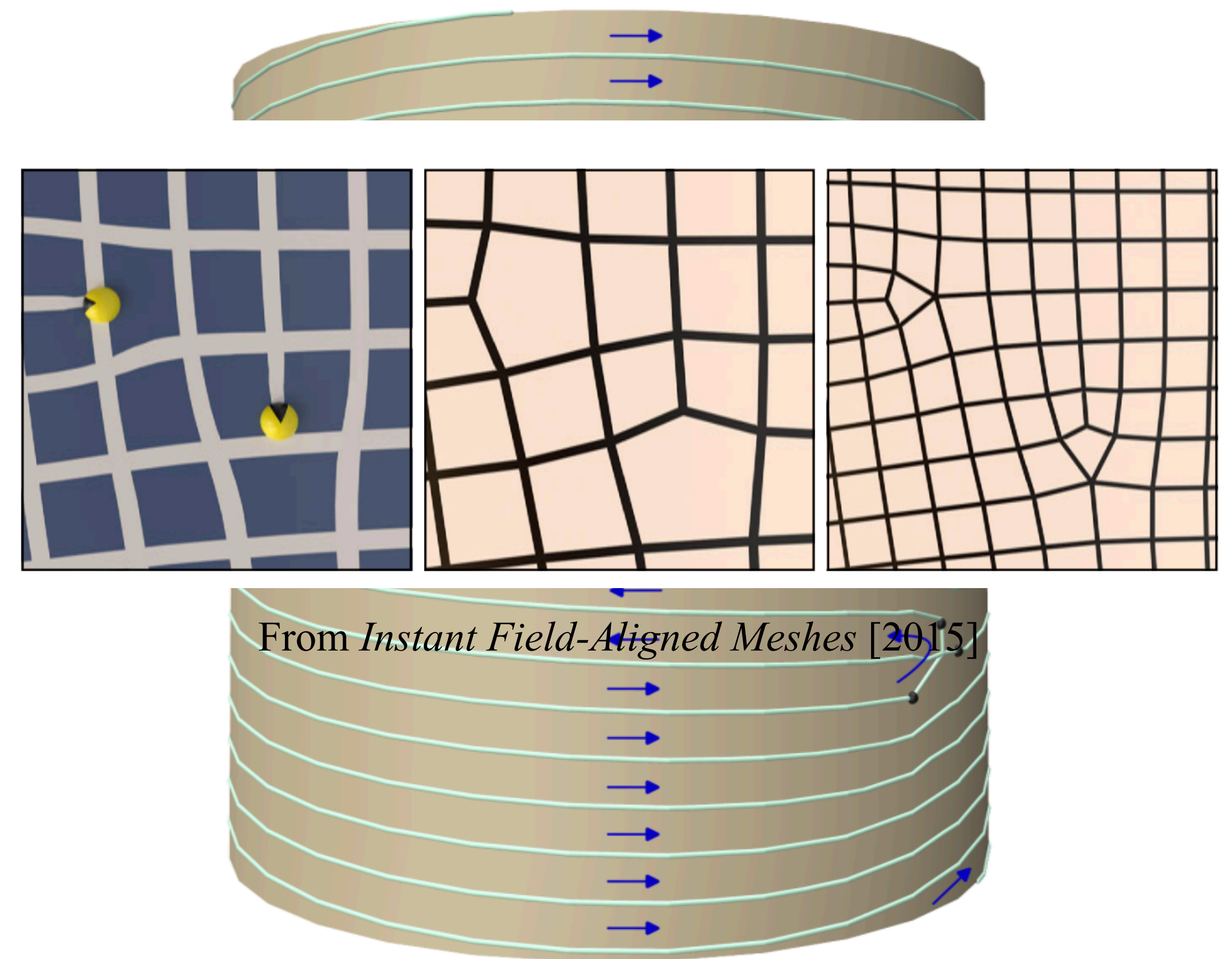
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# Future Work

- Stripe singularities
  - Generation?
  - Optimal Placement?
  - Position singularities in quad-dominant meshing
    - Curl quantization
- Tracing-free pipeline
  - Tracing actually takes place as a helix





**Thank you for your attention!**  
**Come chat with us!**  
**(Slides that follow are for clarifying questions)**

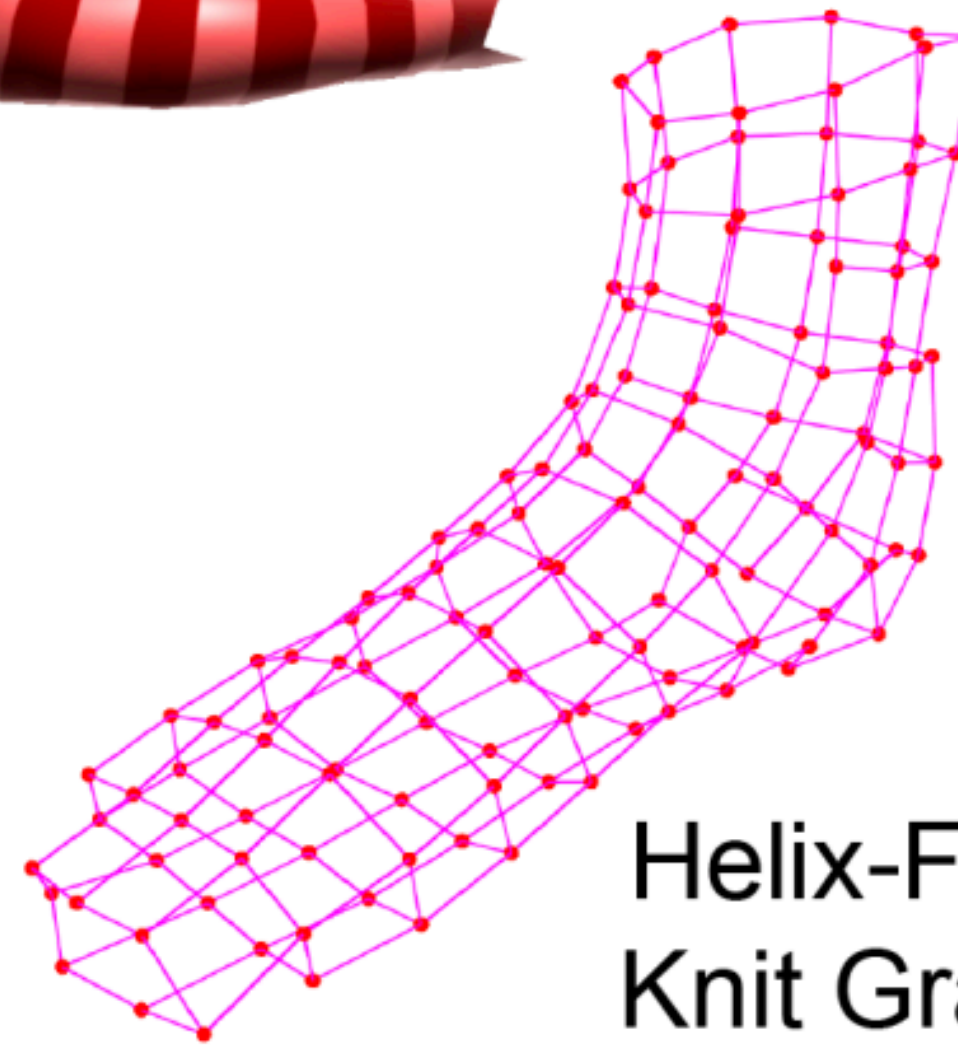
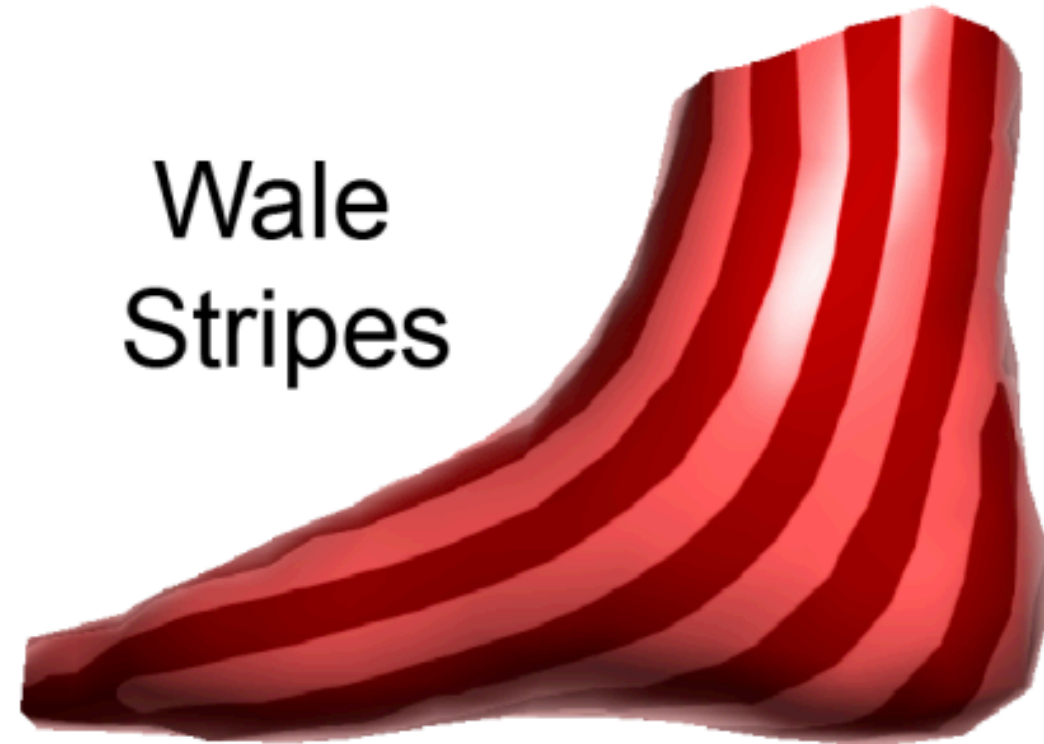
# Knit Graph Generation

Helix-Free  
Course  
Stripes



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Wale  
Stripes



Helix-Free  
Knit Graph

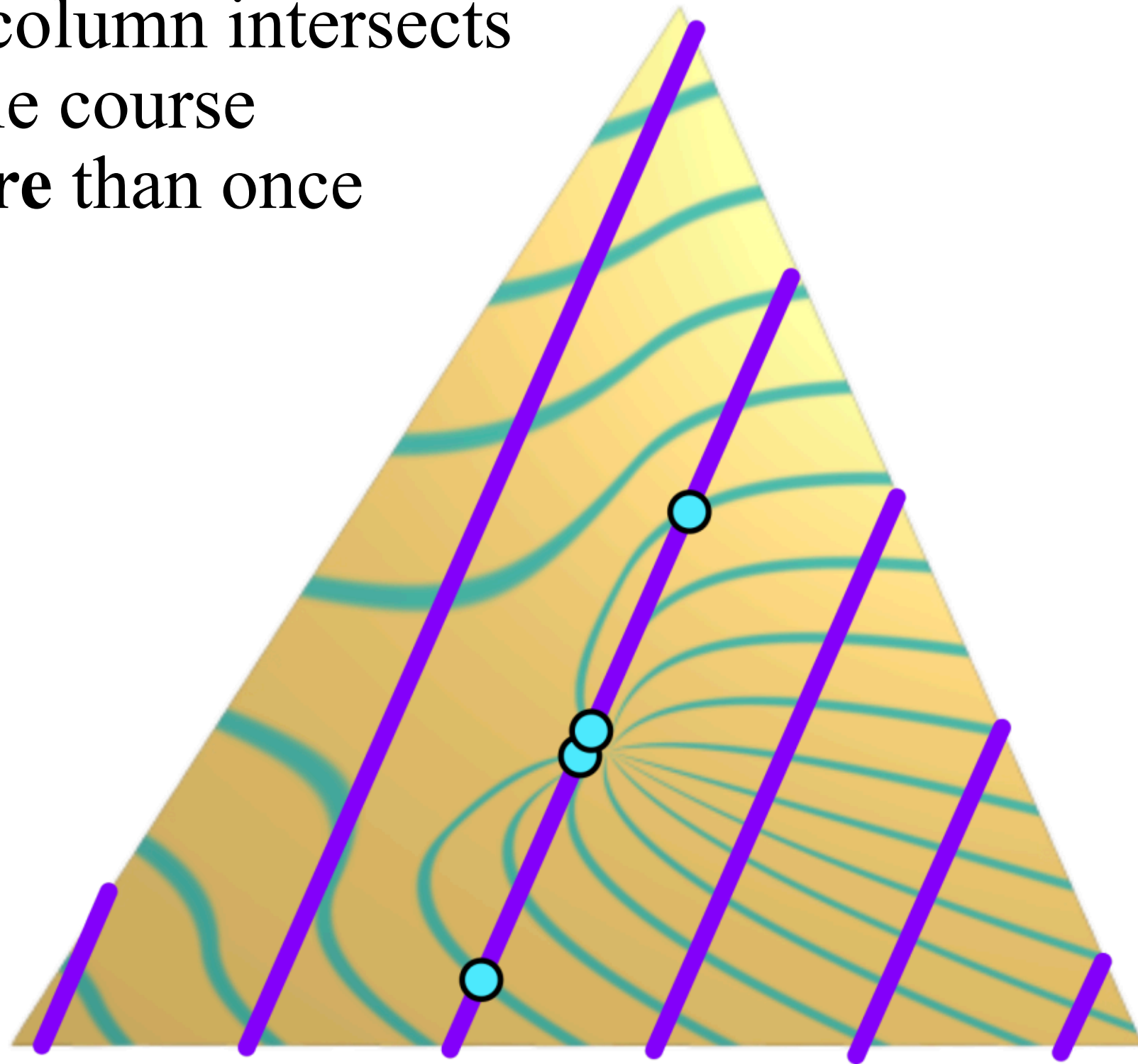


Fabricated  
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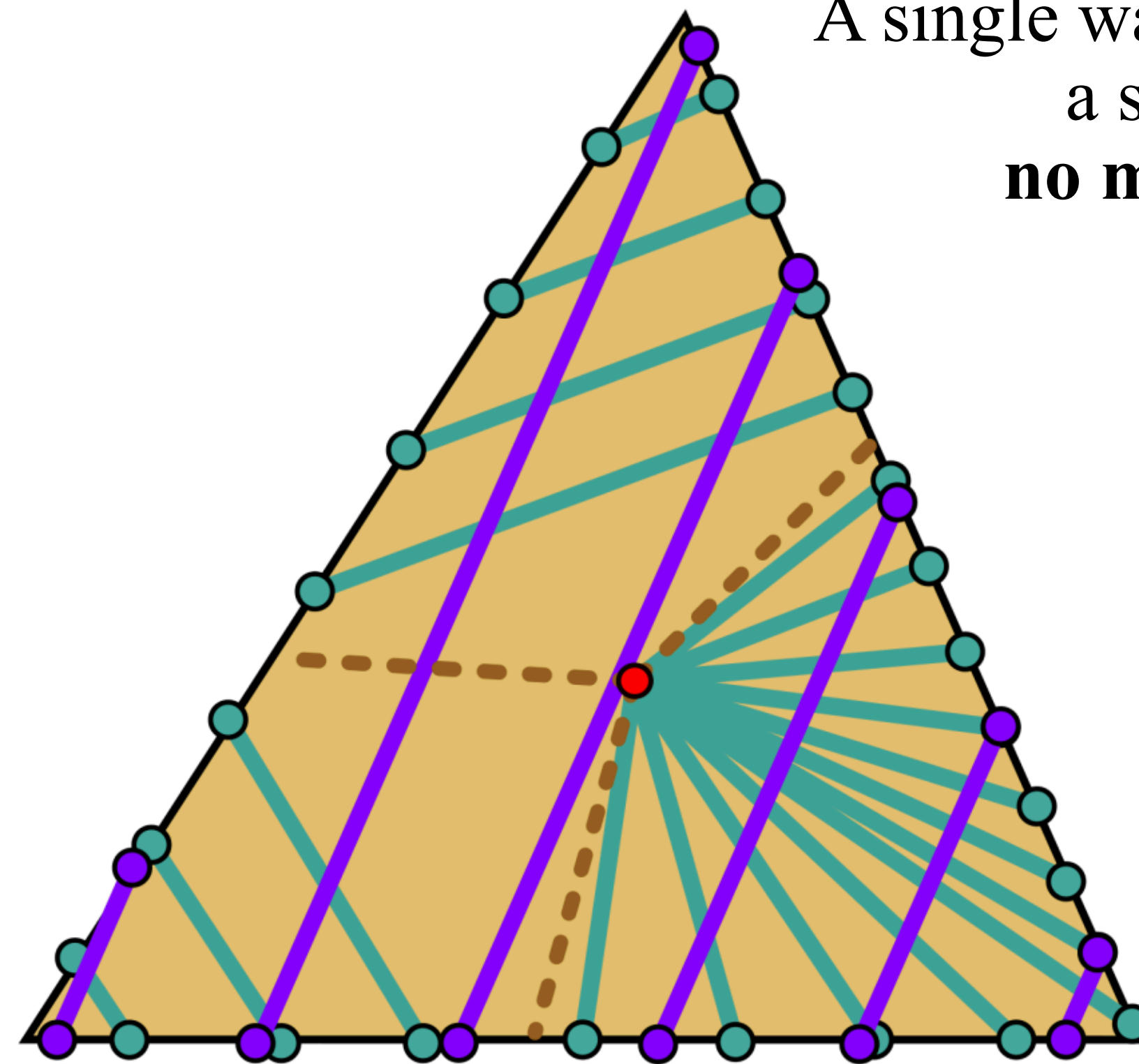


# Effective Interpolant

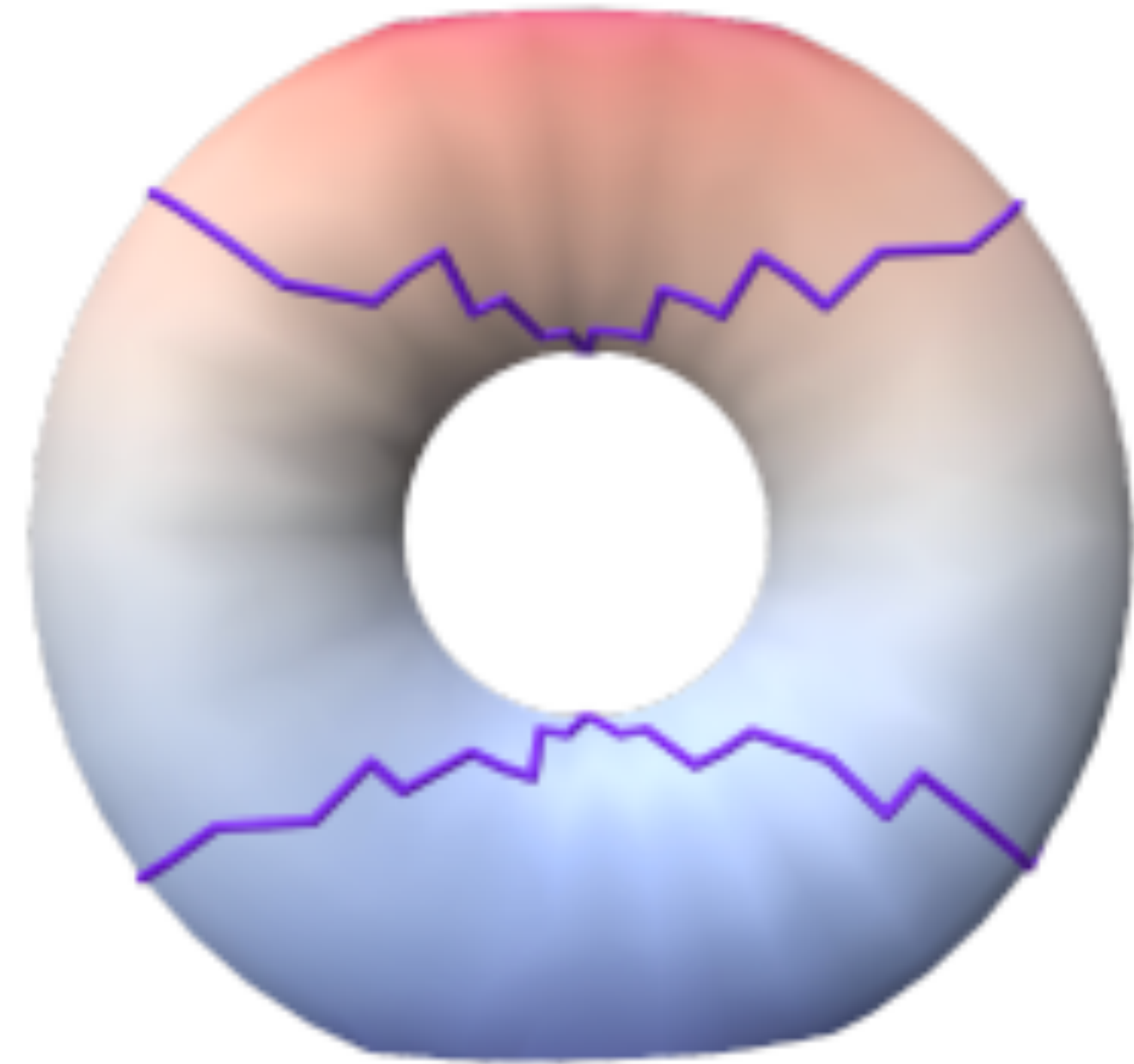
A single wale column intersects  
a single course  
stripe **more** than once



A single wale column intersects  
a single course  
**no more** than once



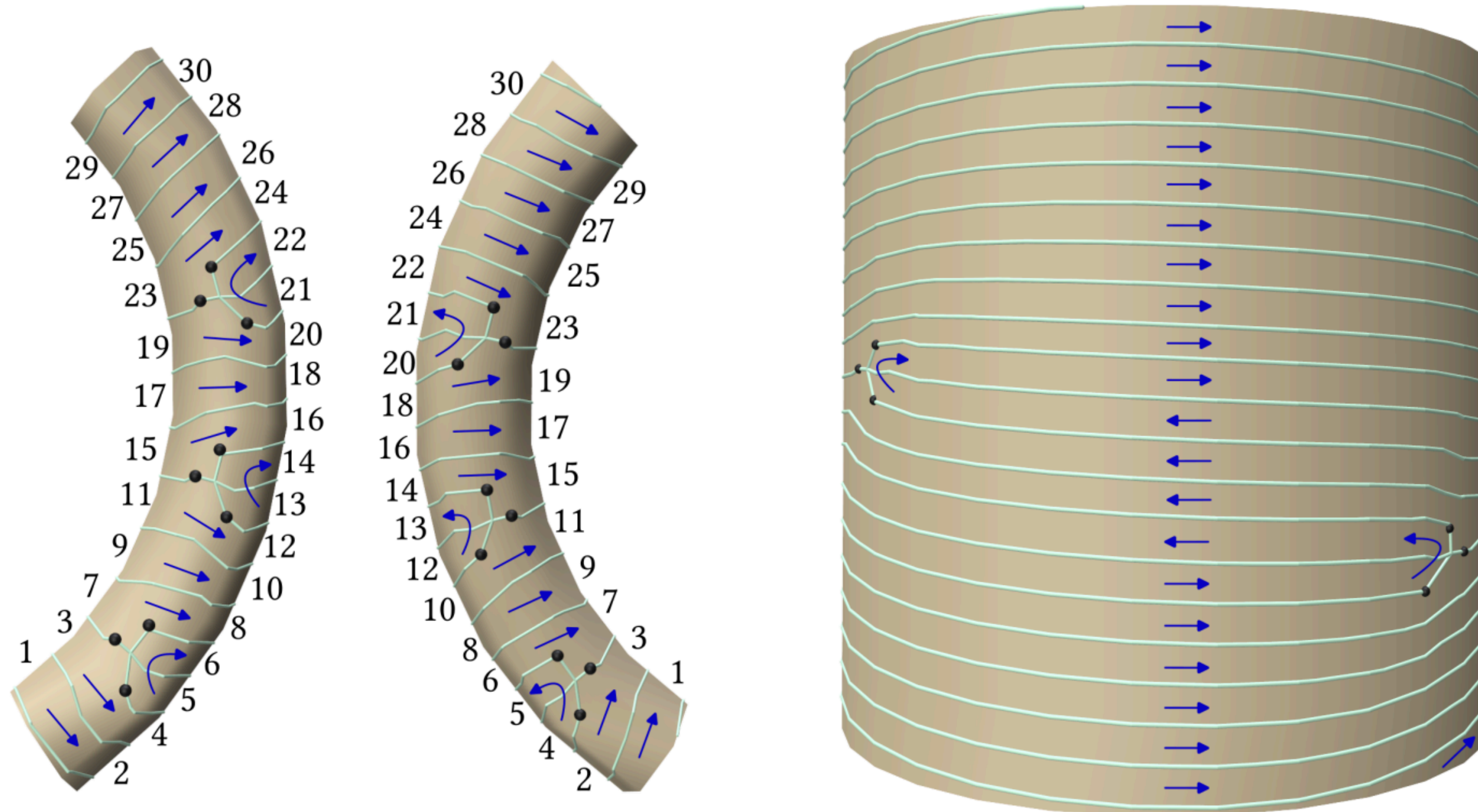
# Morse decomposition for models with genus



Decompose surface  $M$  into cylinders by cutting along critical level sets (in a Morse sense) of the time function. Critical level sets of time function are values of time function at saddle vertices of  $M$ .



# Tracing-free Pipeline



Tracing (yarn path) implied directly by foliation structure

# 1-form Optimization Problem

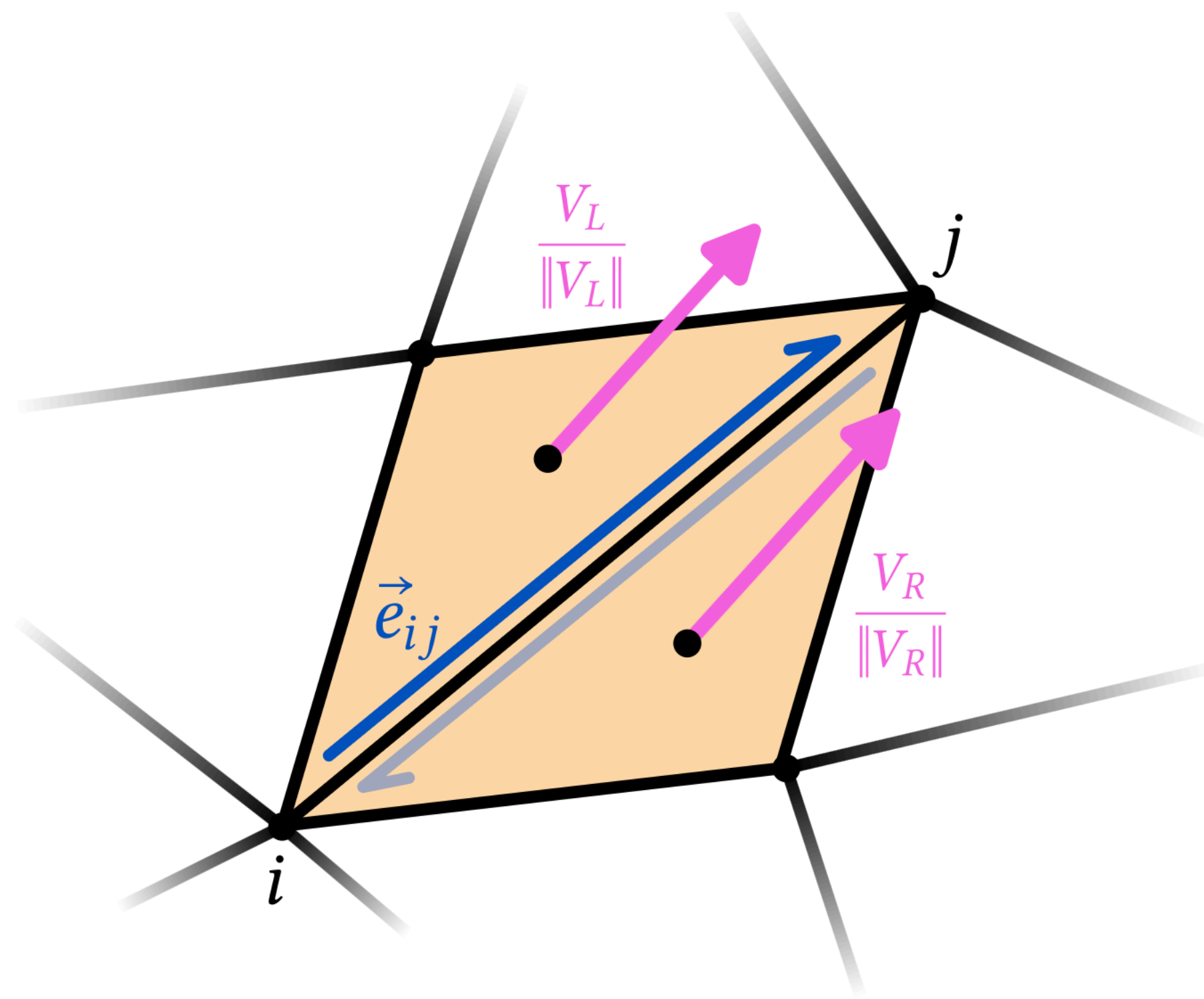
$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\sigma_c, \mathbf{k}^{\text{hg}}} \quad & ||W(\sigma_c - \omega_c)||^2 \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \sigma_c|_{\partial M} = 0, \\ & d_1 \sigma_c = P\mathbf{k} \\ & \mathbf{H}\sigma_c = P\mathbf{k}^{\text{hg}} \\ & \int_{\gamma_j^{\text{ls}}} \sigma_c = 0, \quad 1 \leq j \leq N^{\text{ls}} \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{H}$  - Homology generators for models with genus

Only need **level-set constraints**. [Mitra et al. 2023]  
required level-set constraints, helix elimination  
constraints, stripe alignment constraints, stripe  
placement constraints!



# Halfedge weights



$$w_{e_{ij}} = \left| C - \vec{e}_{ij} \cdot \frac{V}{\|V\|} \right|$$

where:

$$C = \max_{e_{ij}} \left\{ \vec{e}_{ij} \cdot \frac{V}{\|V\|} \right\}$$