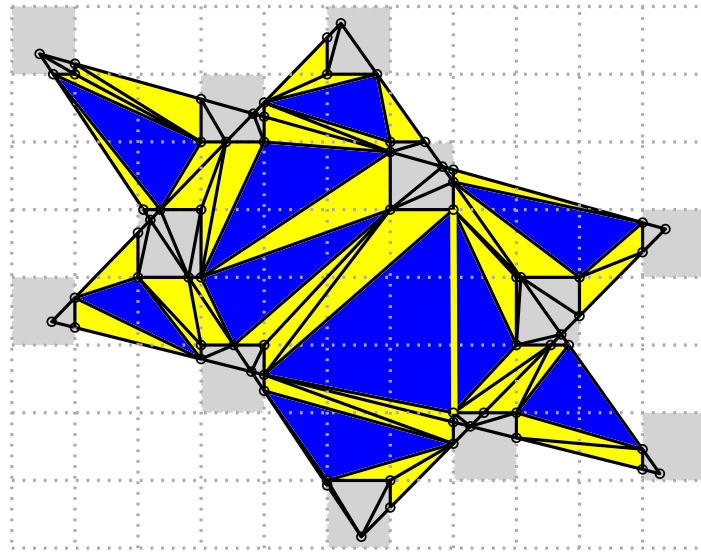


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## Rounding polygonal meshes

Léo Valque



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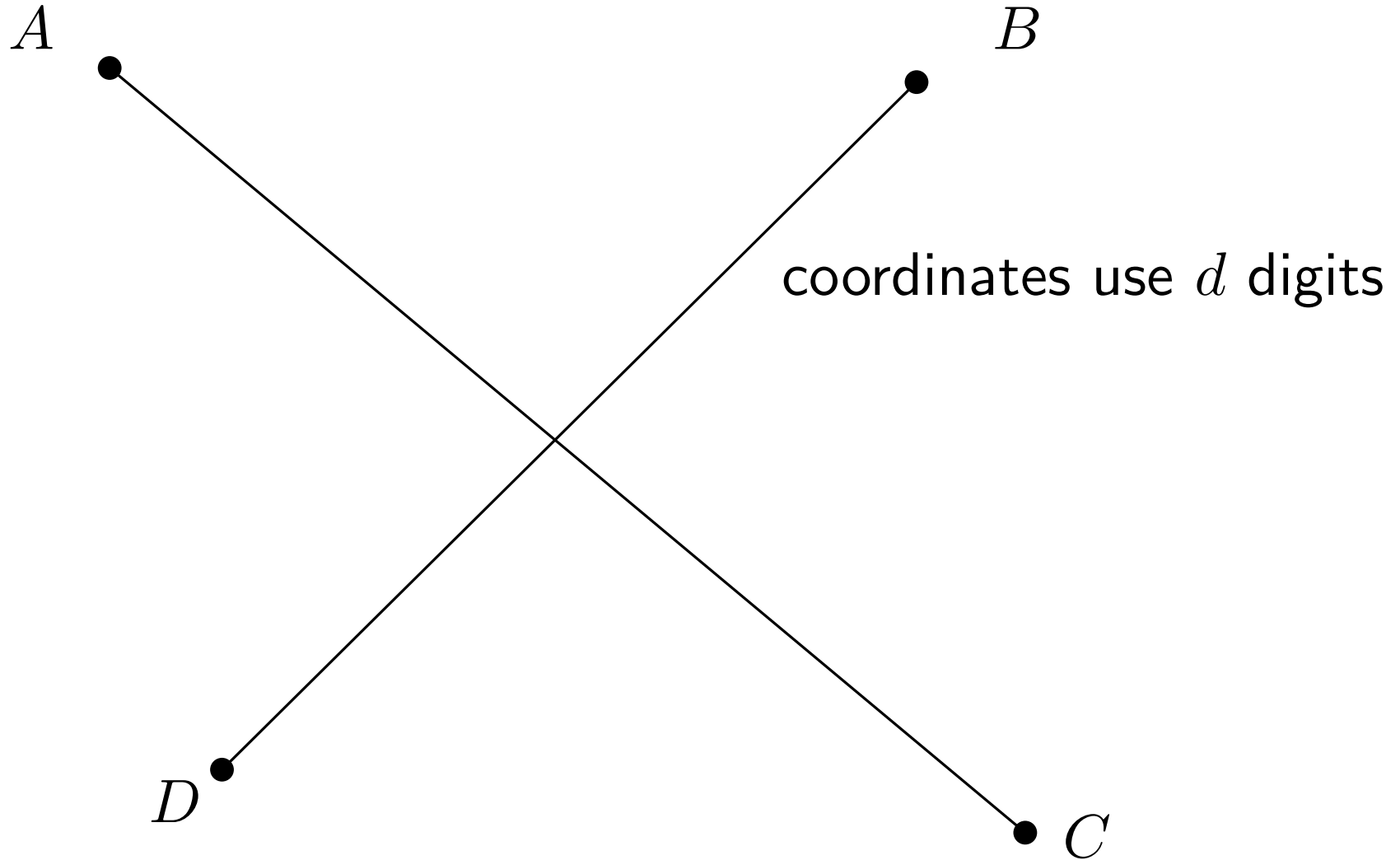
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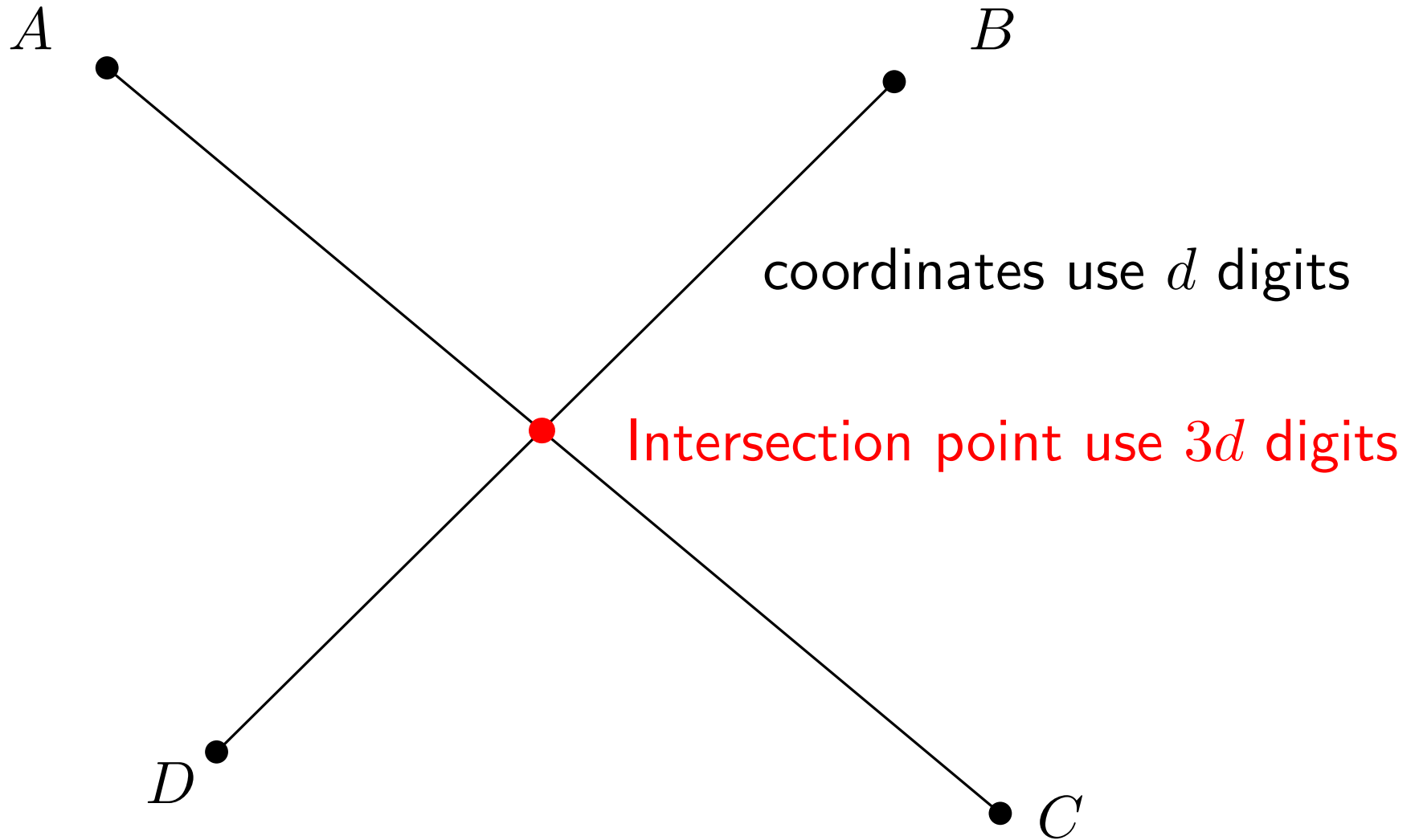
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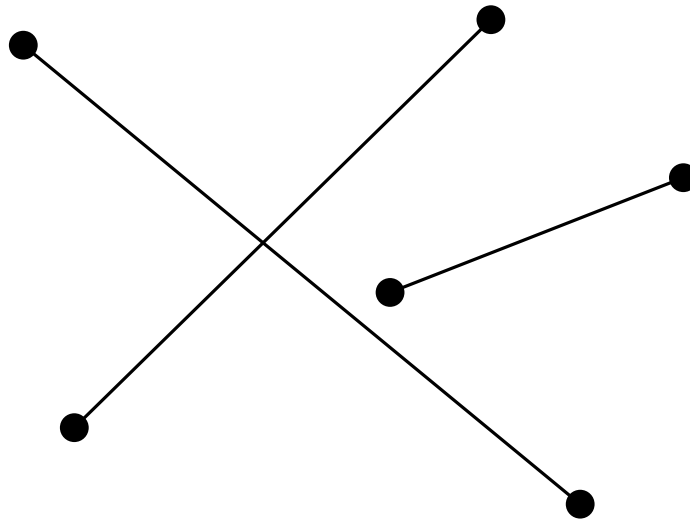
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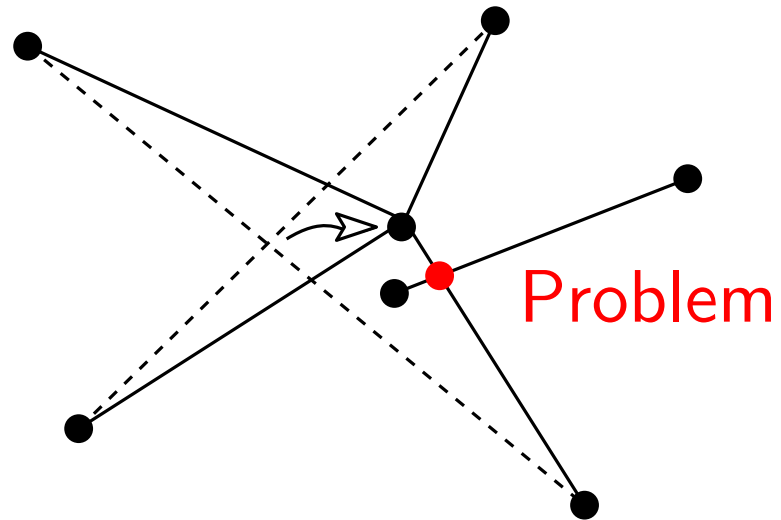
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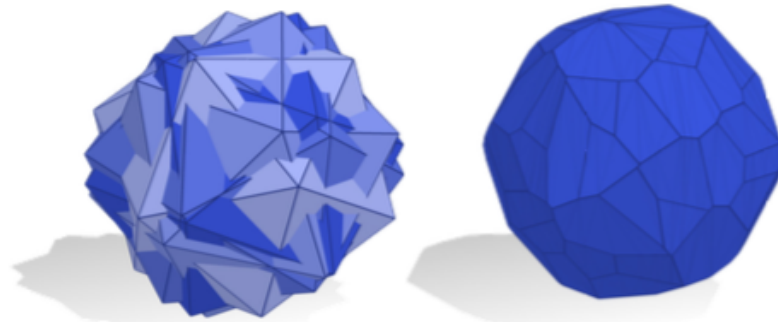


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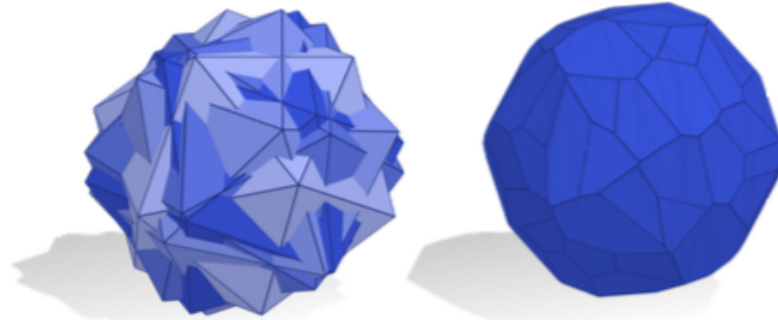
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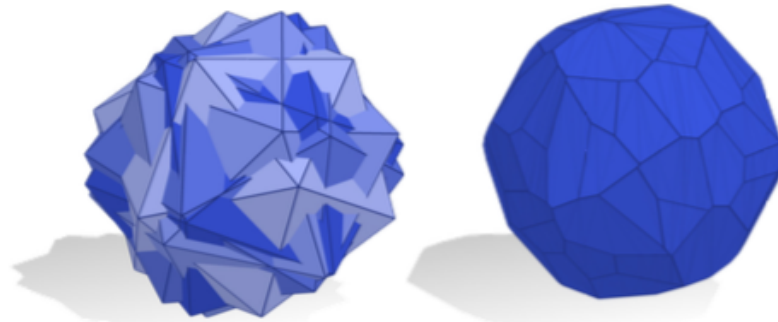
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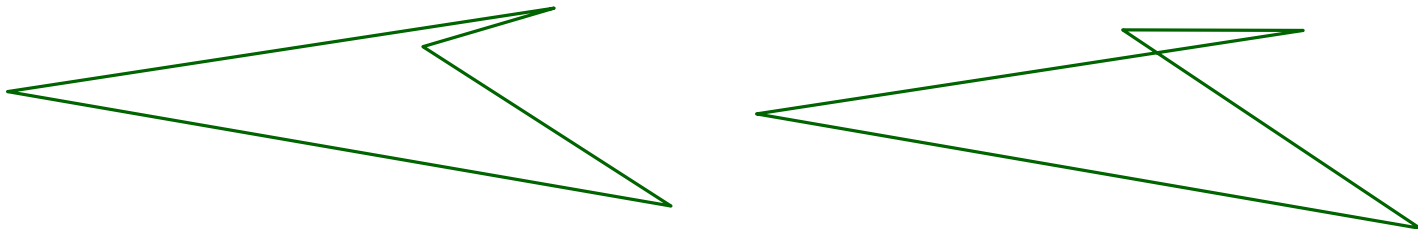
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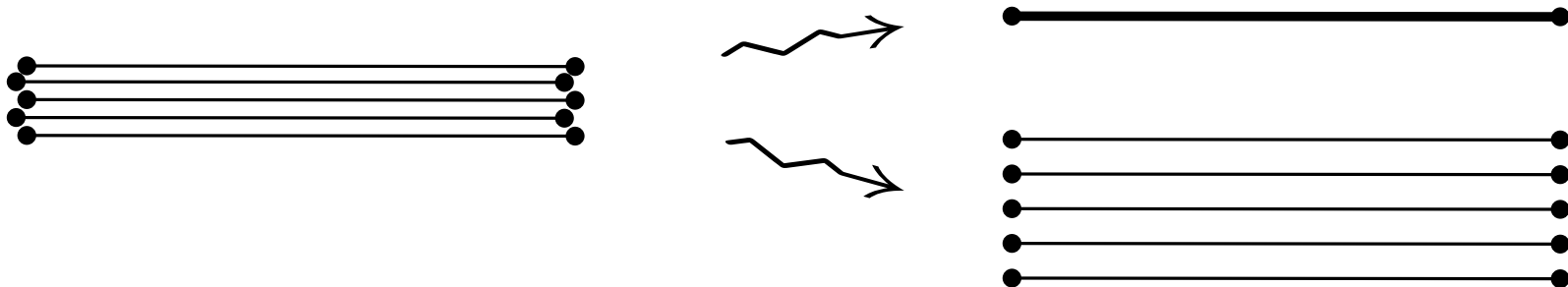
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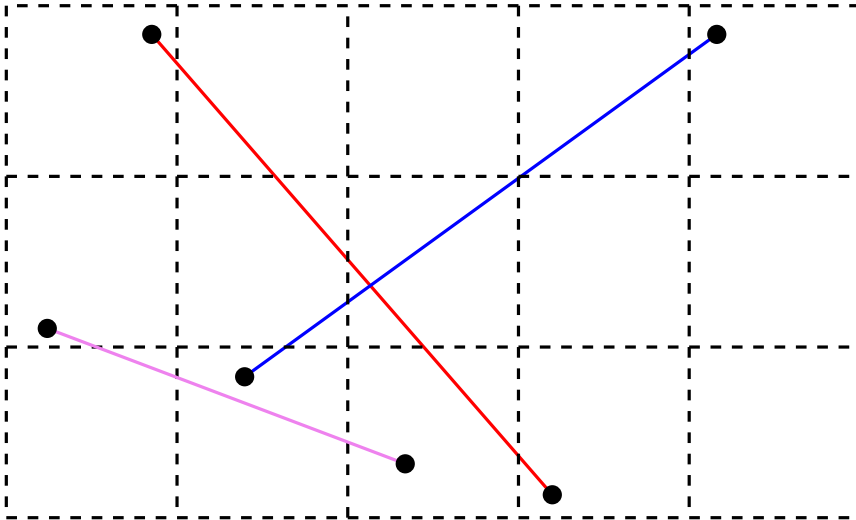
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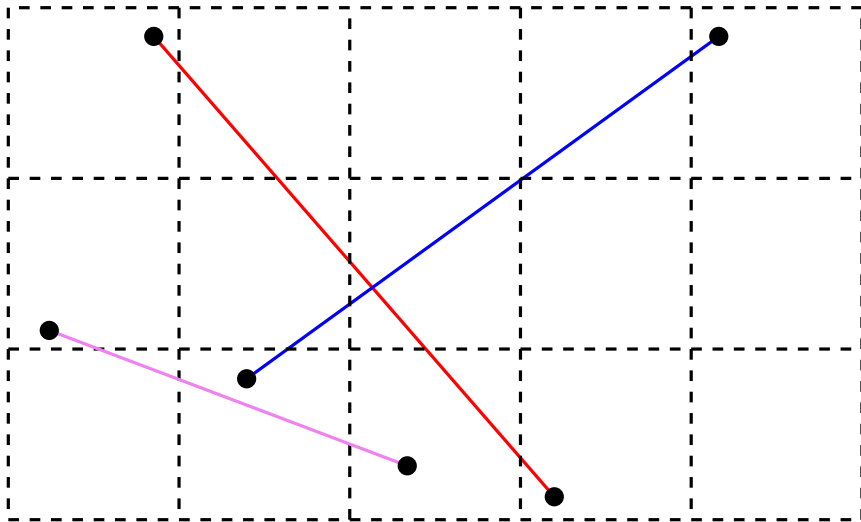


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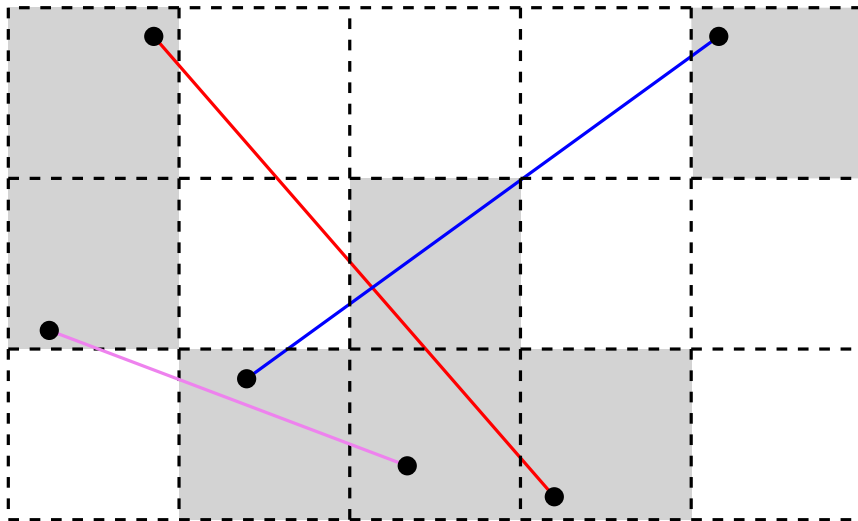


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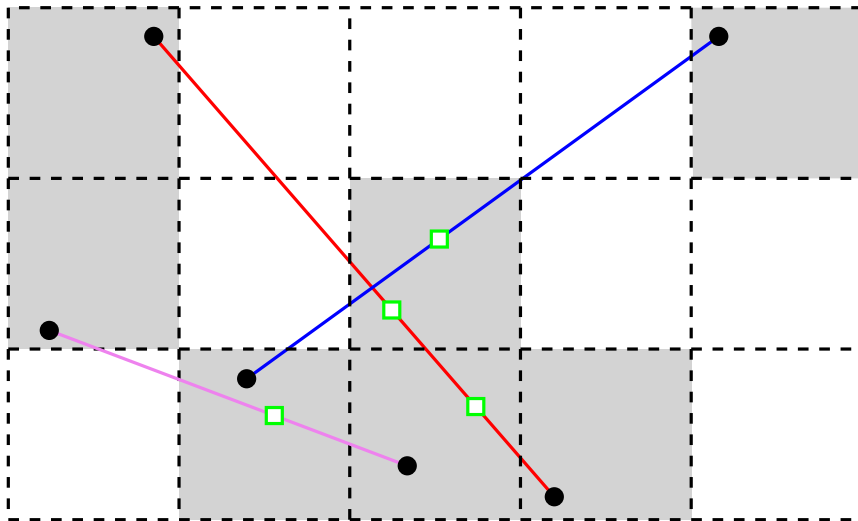


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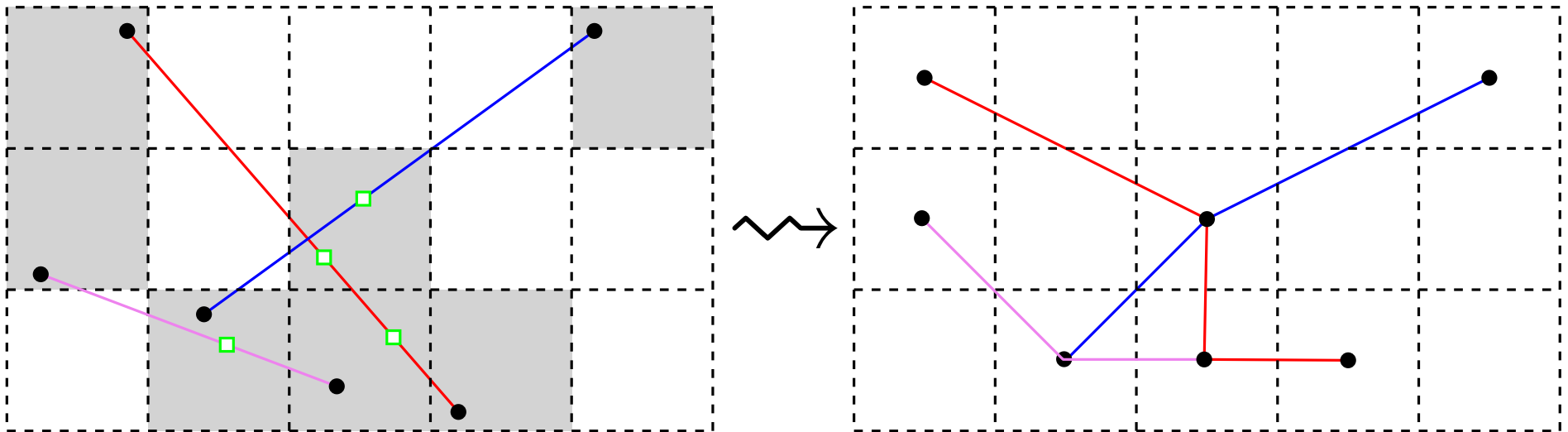


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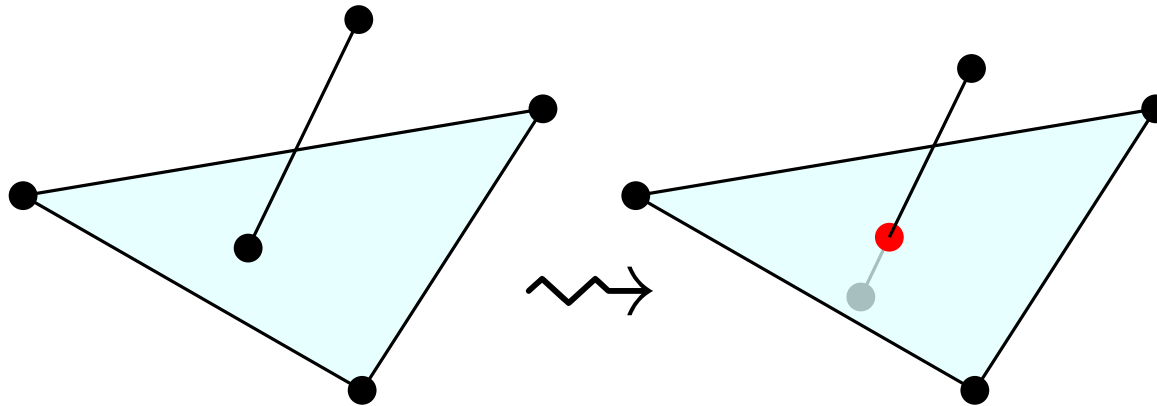
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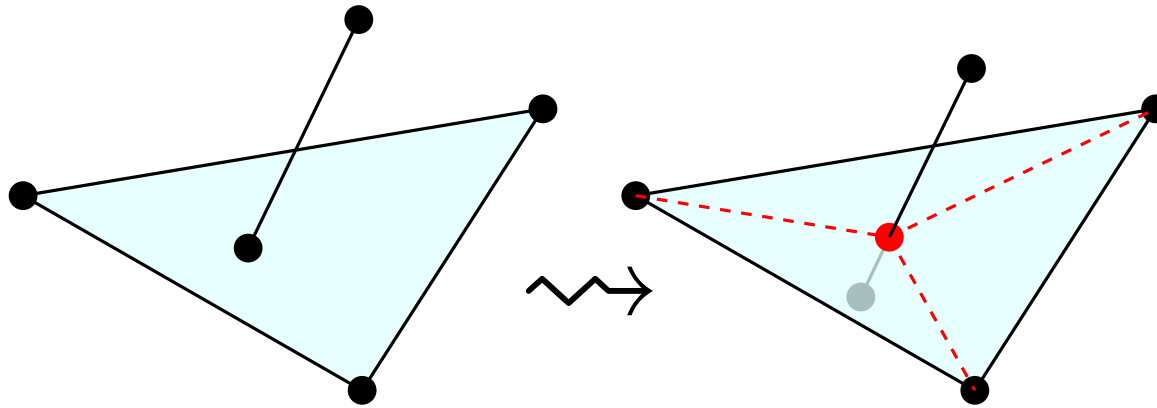
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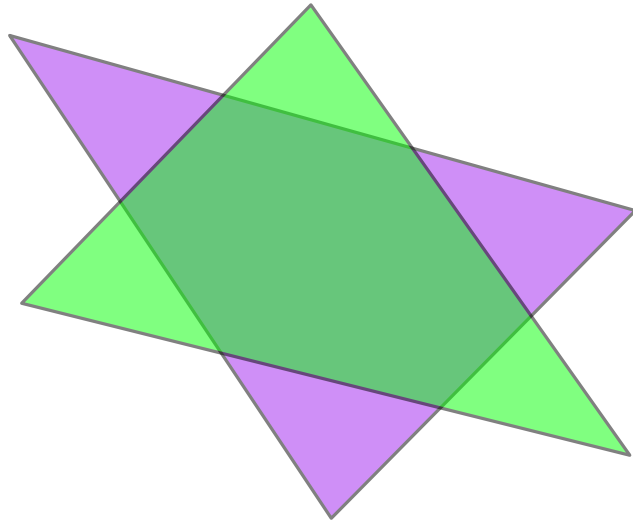
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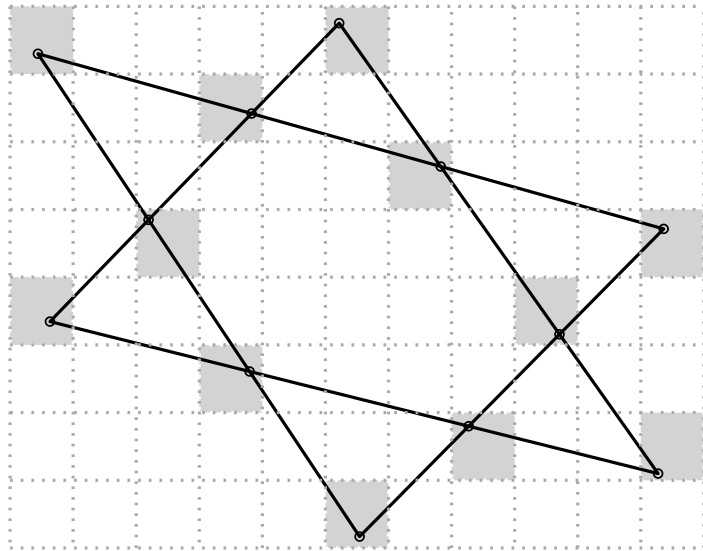
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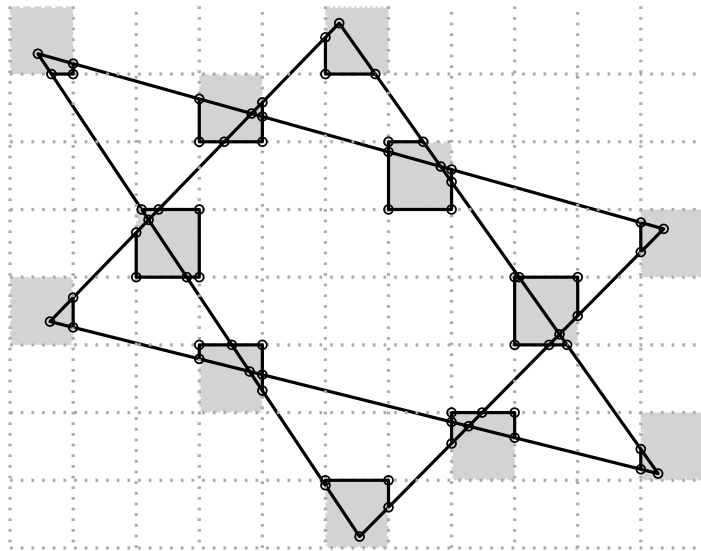
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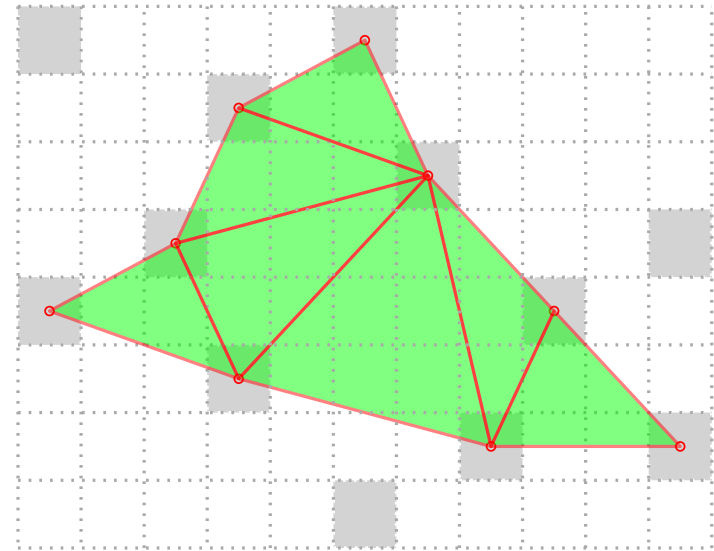
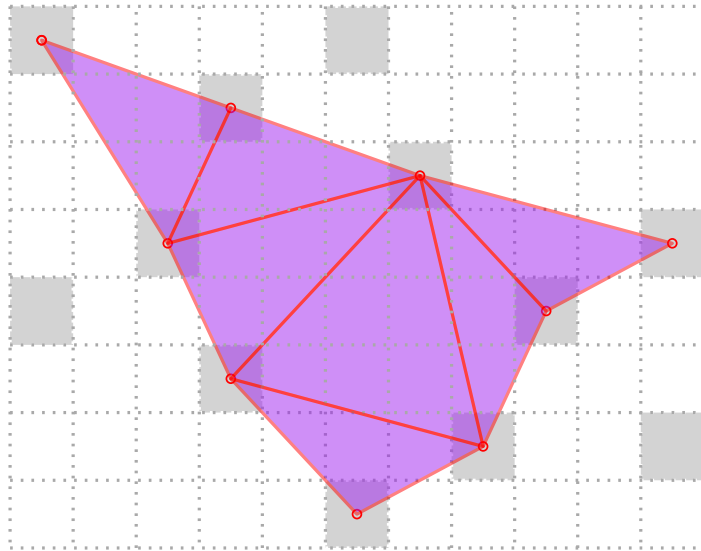
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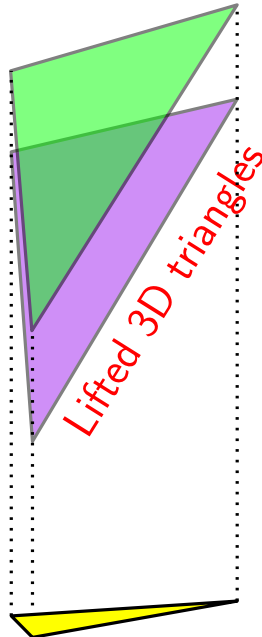
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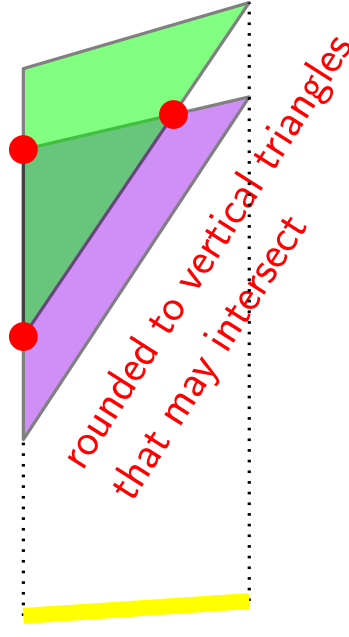
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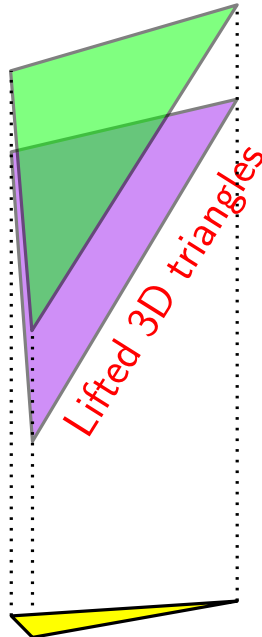
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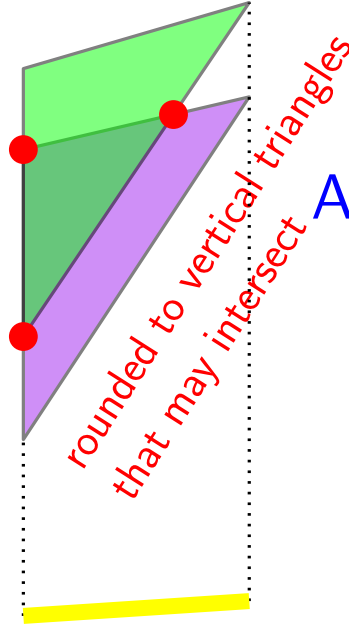
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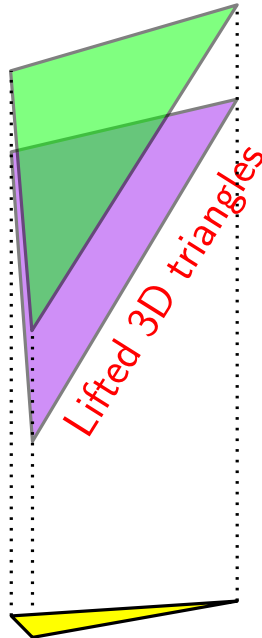
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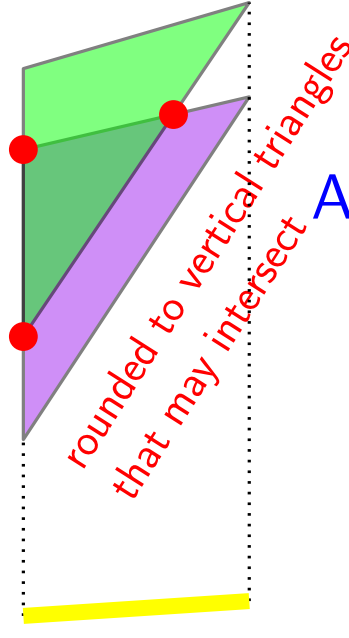
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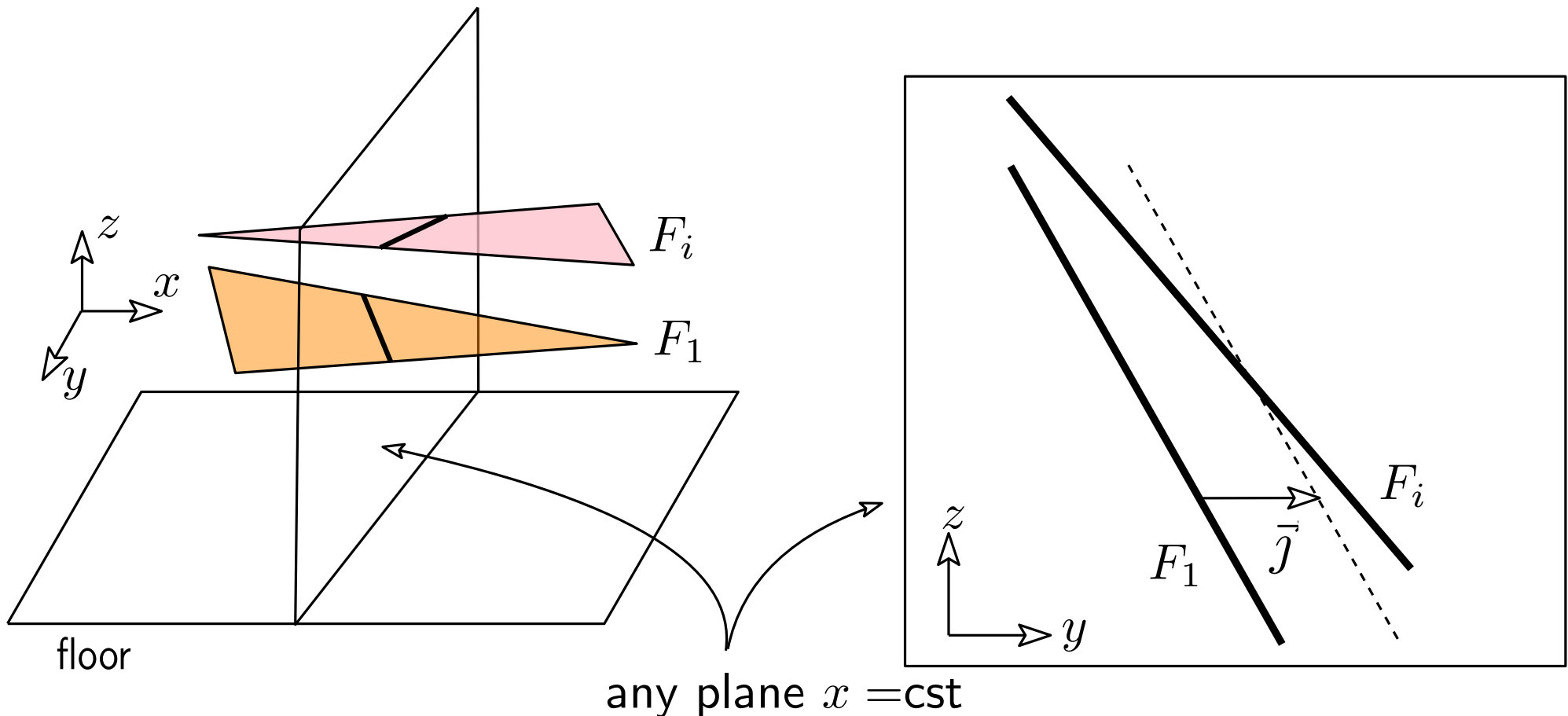
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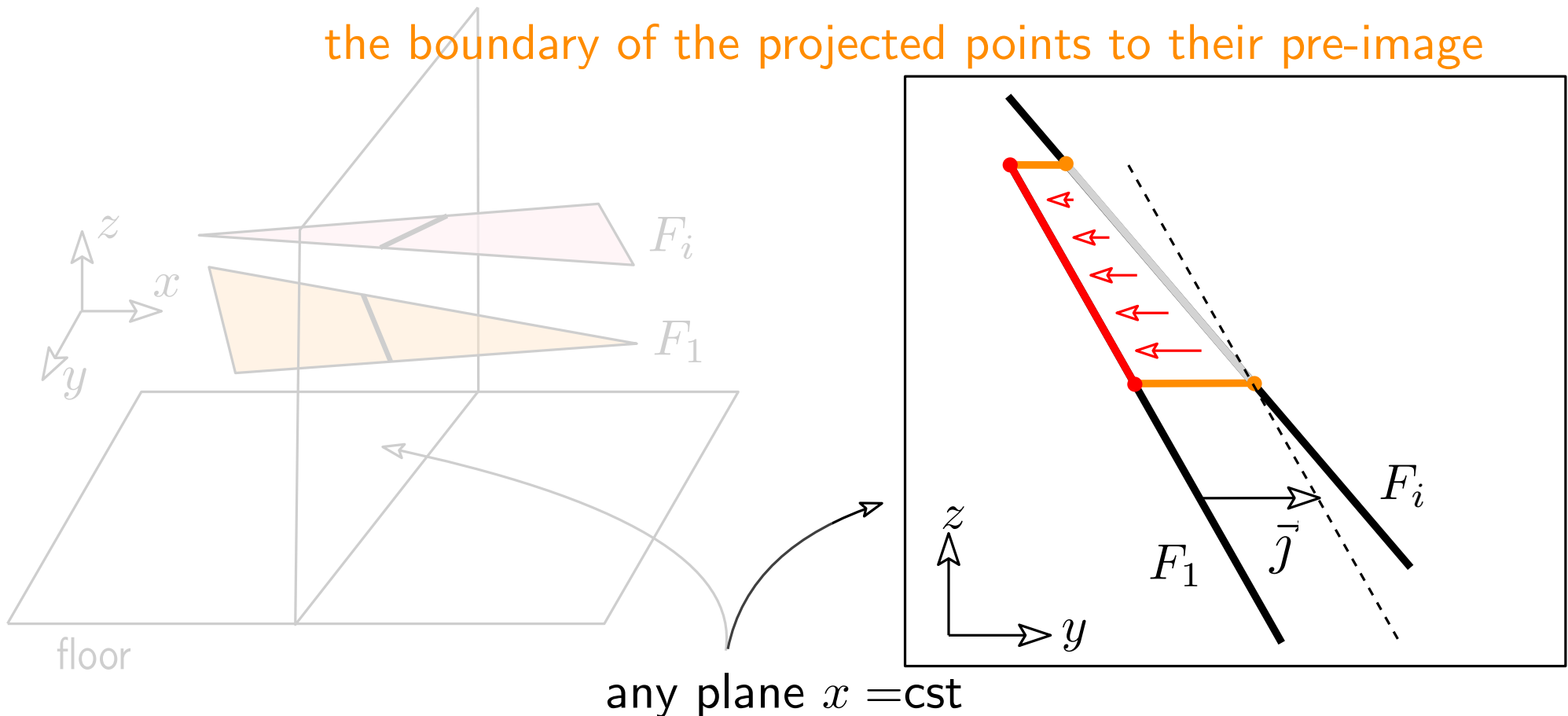
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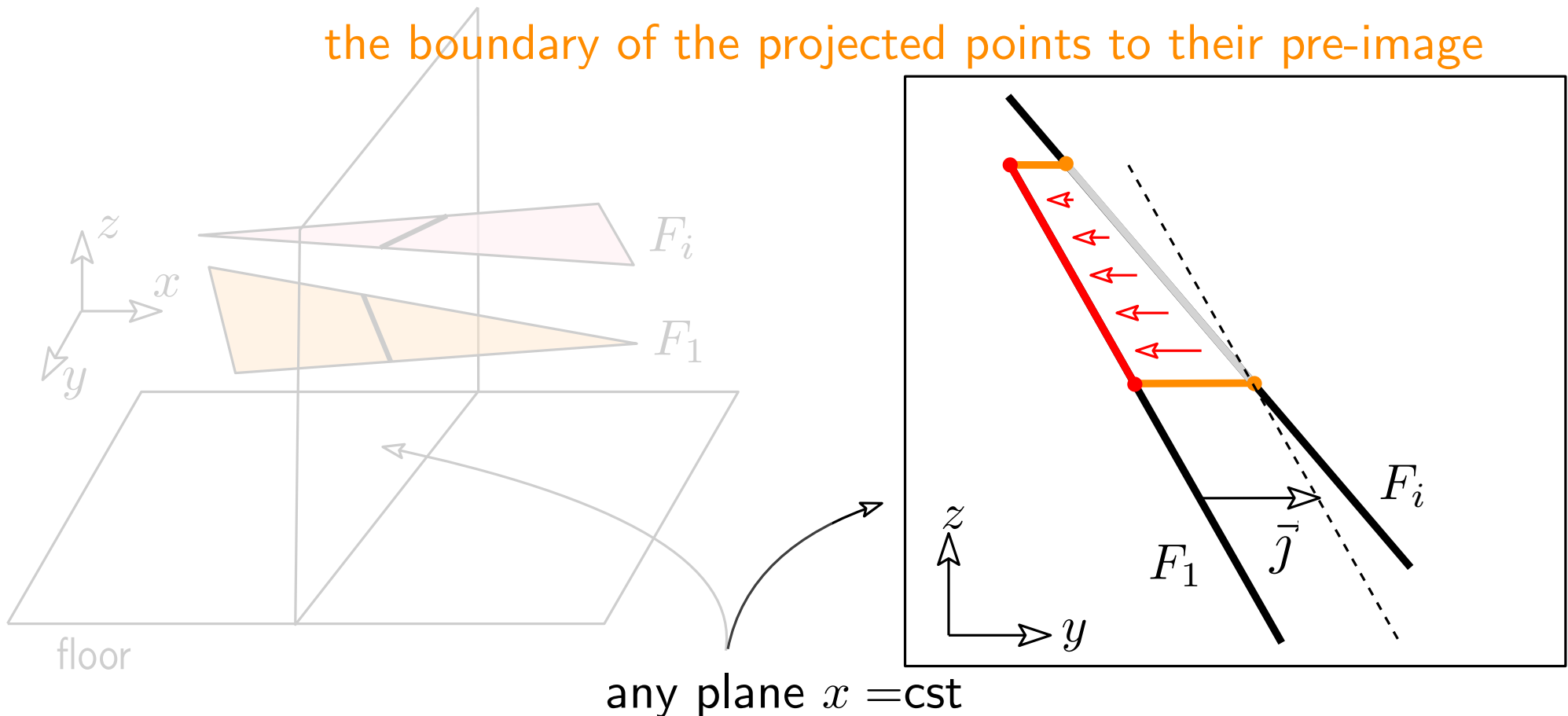
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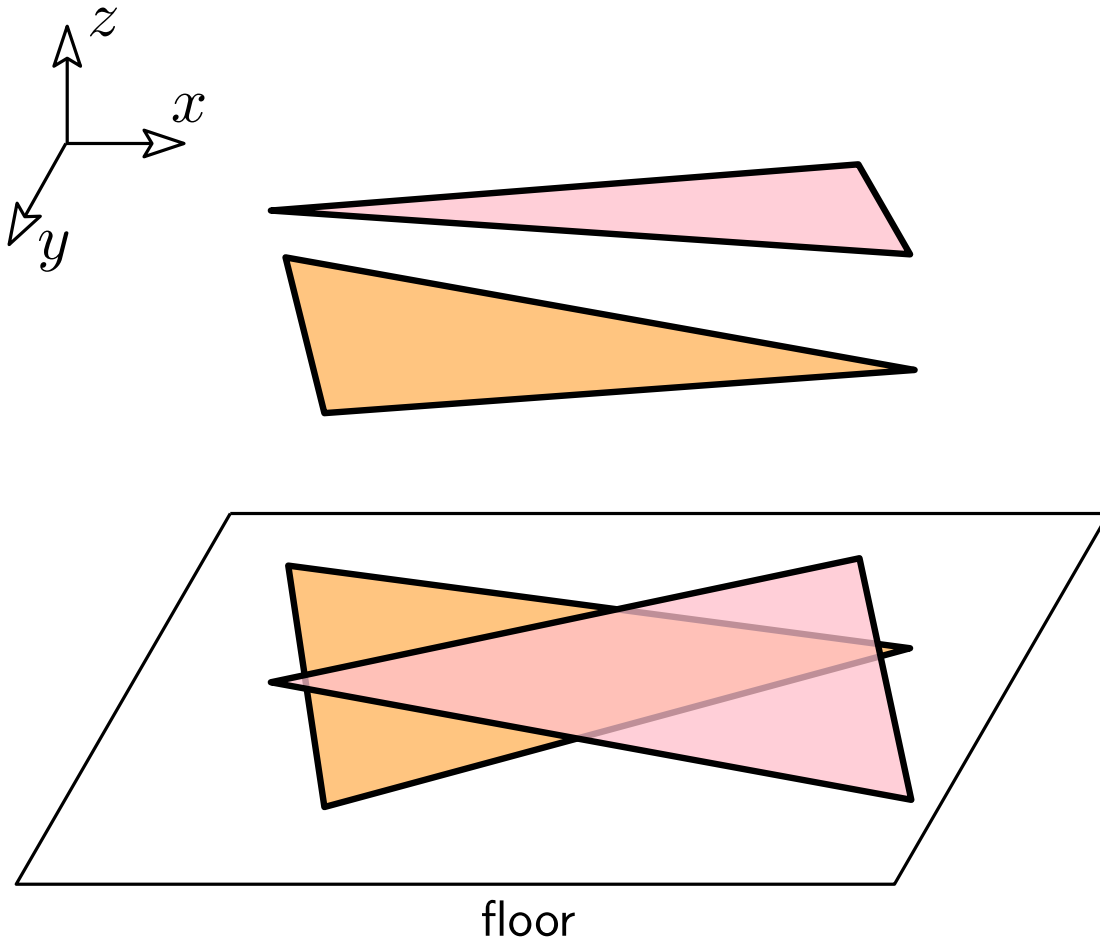
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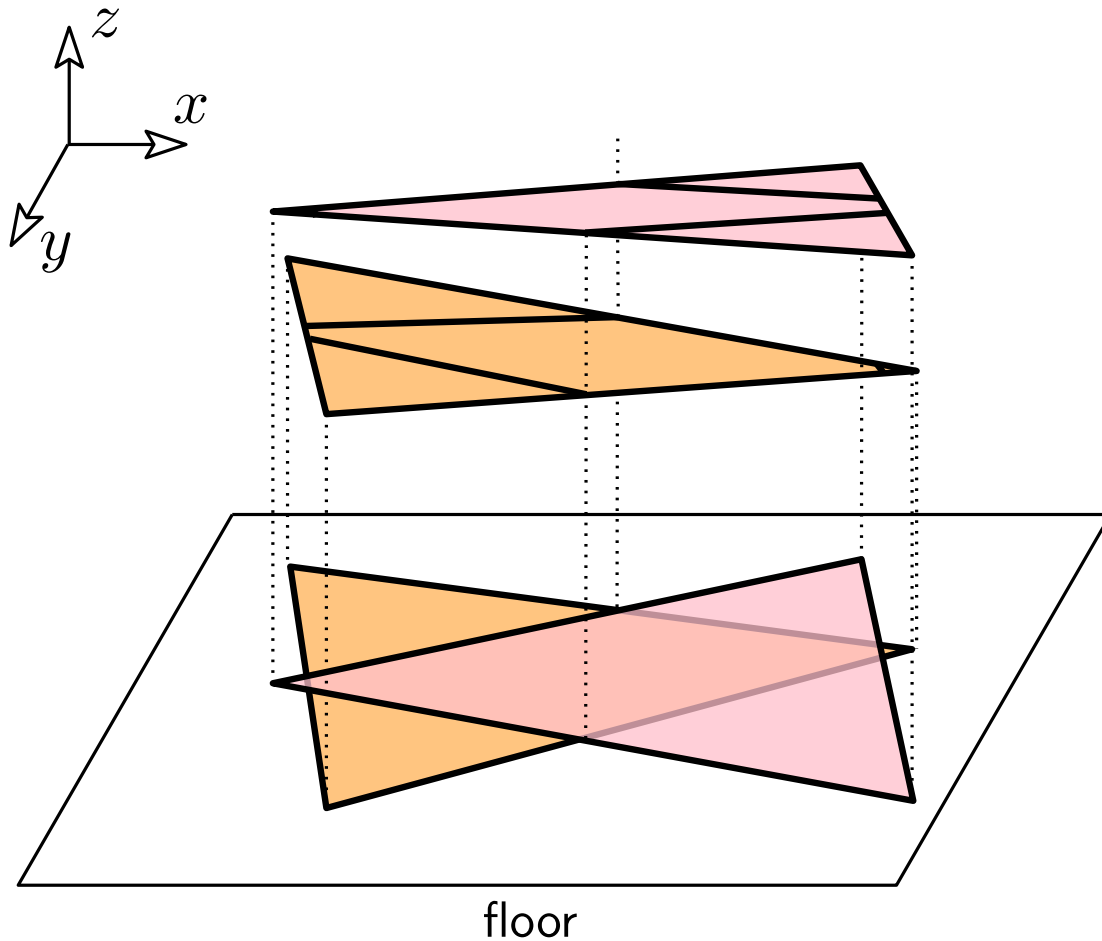


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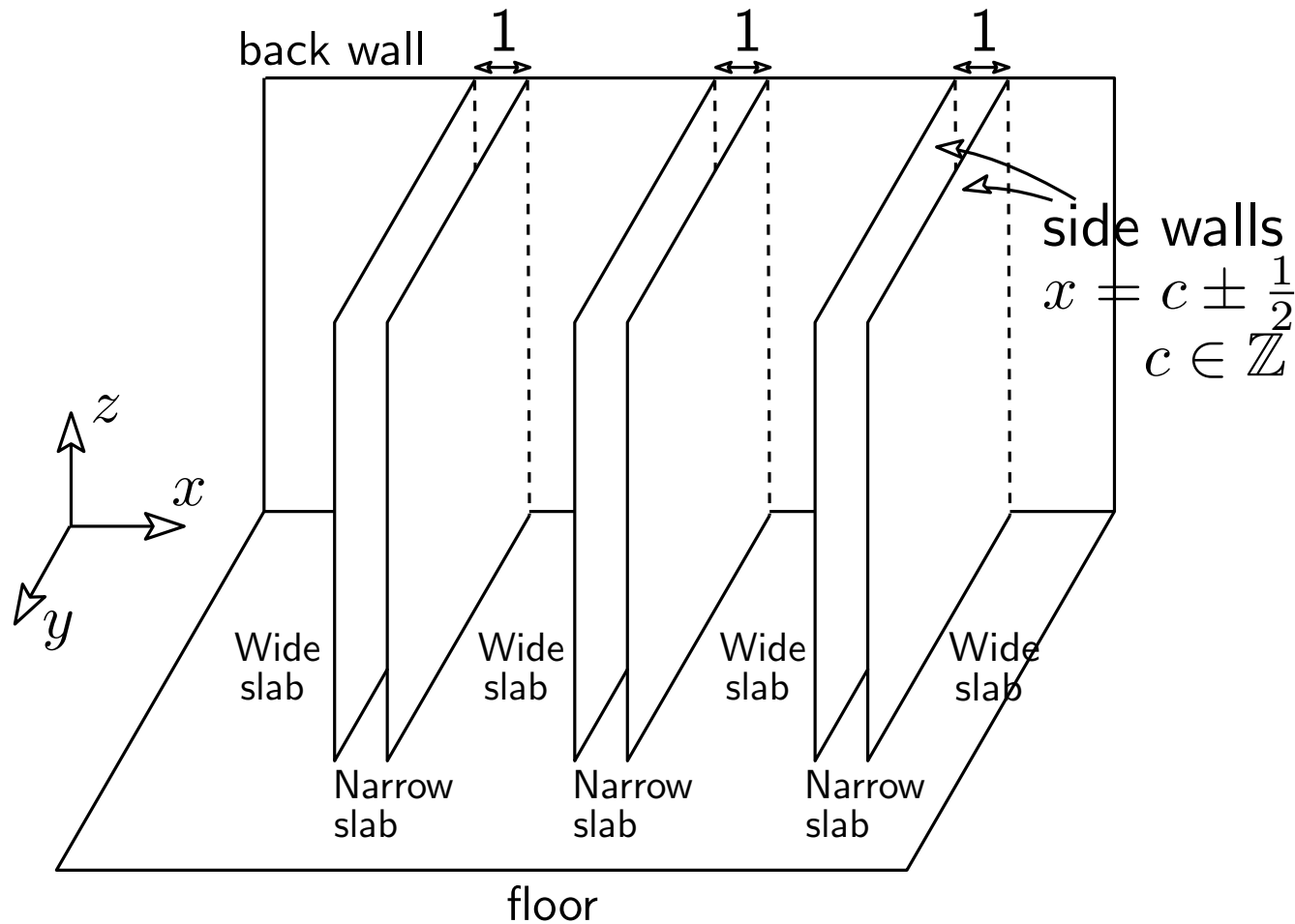
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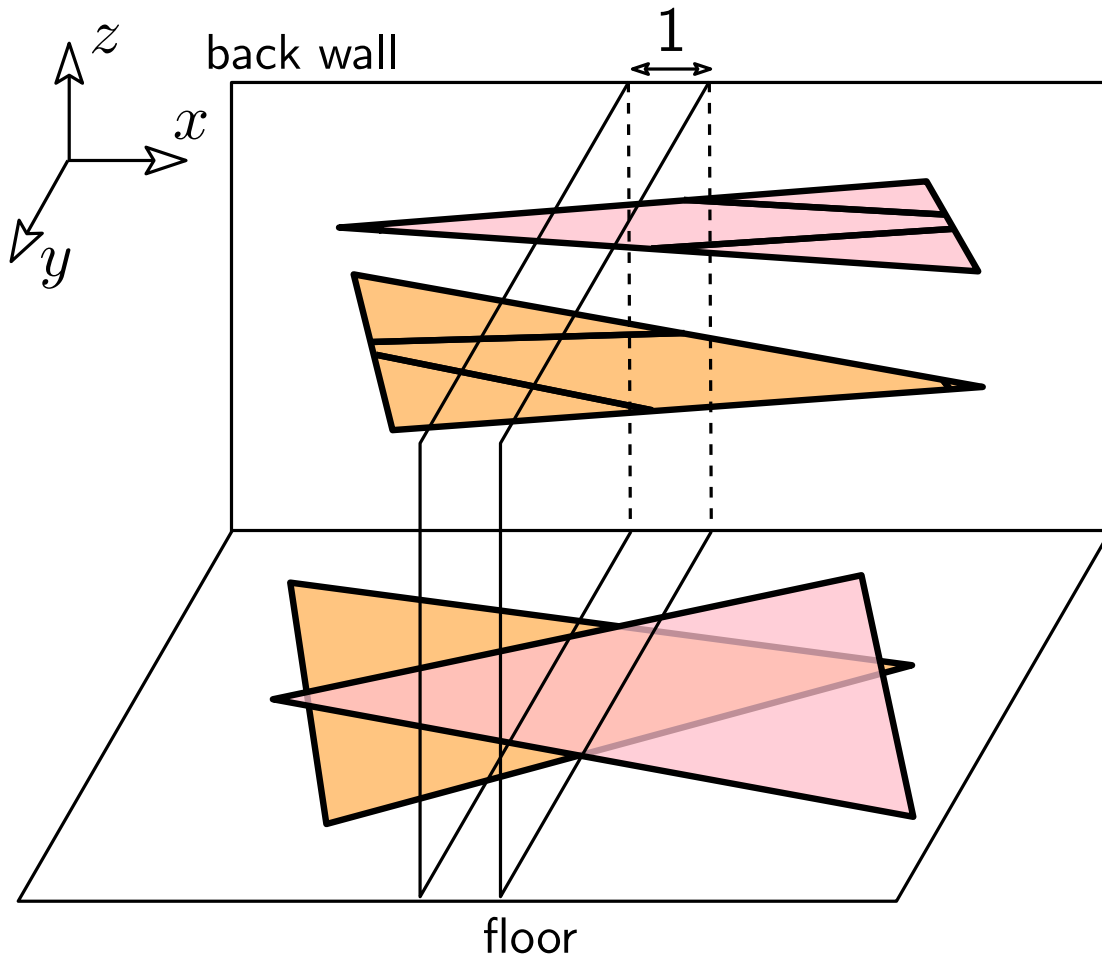
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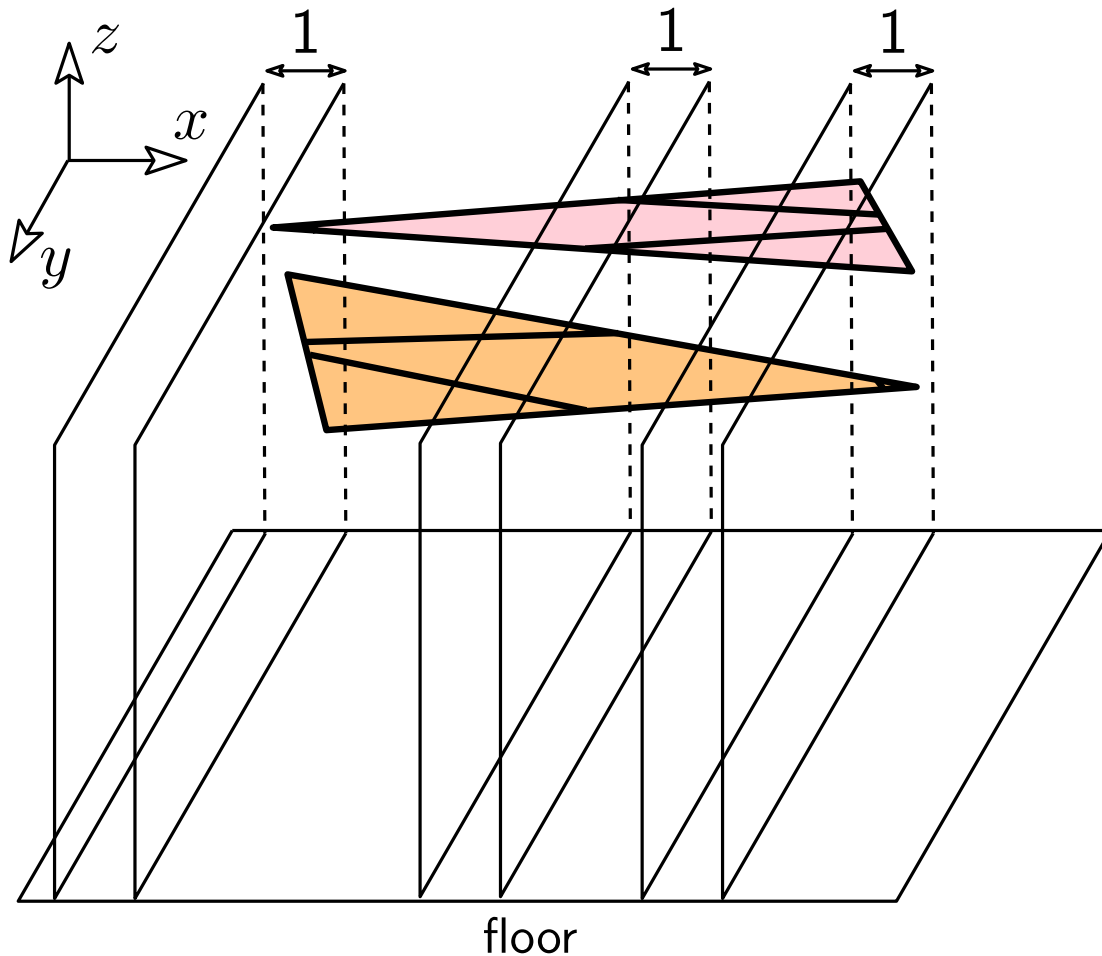


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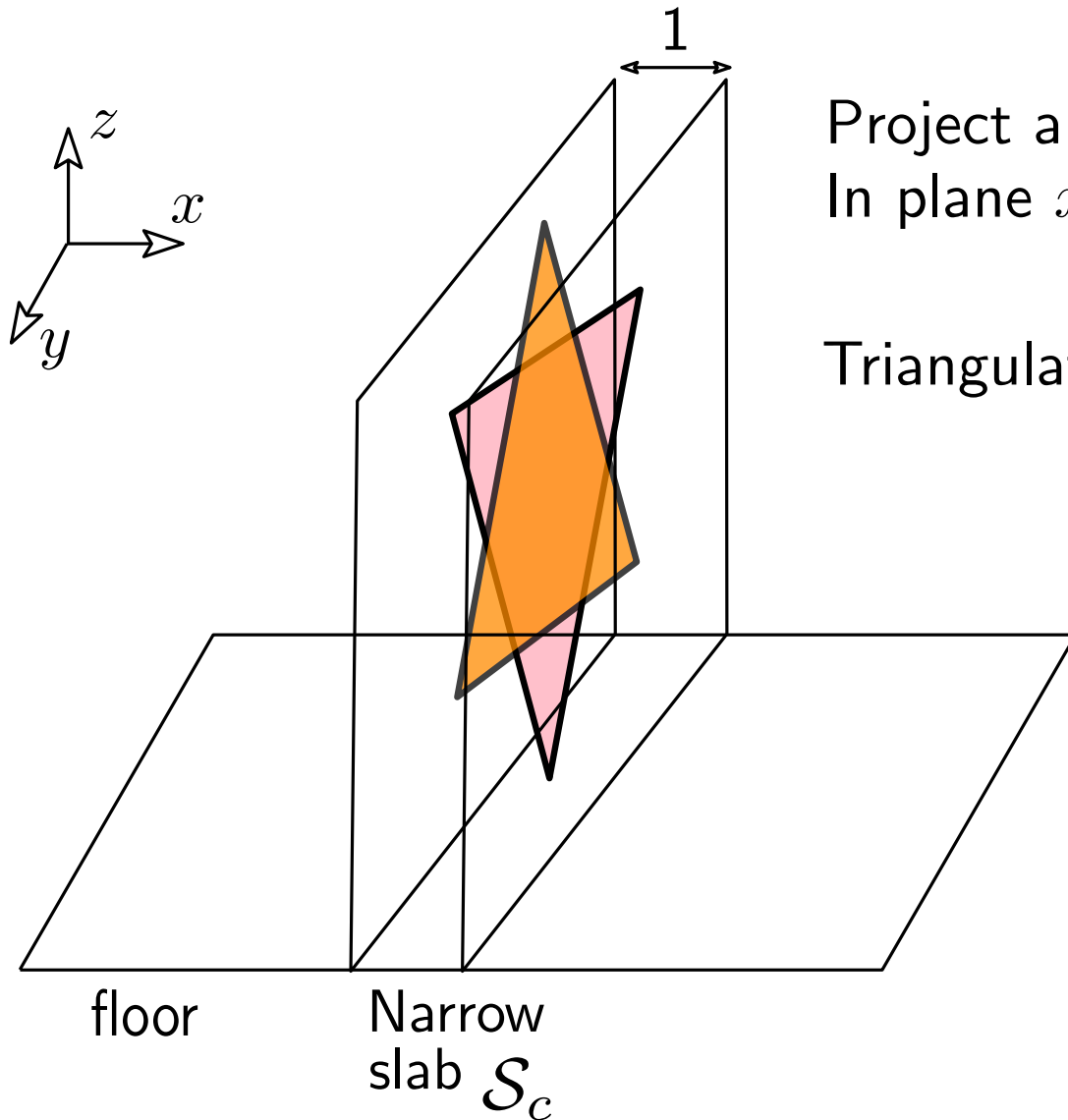


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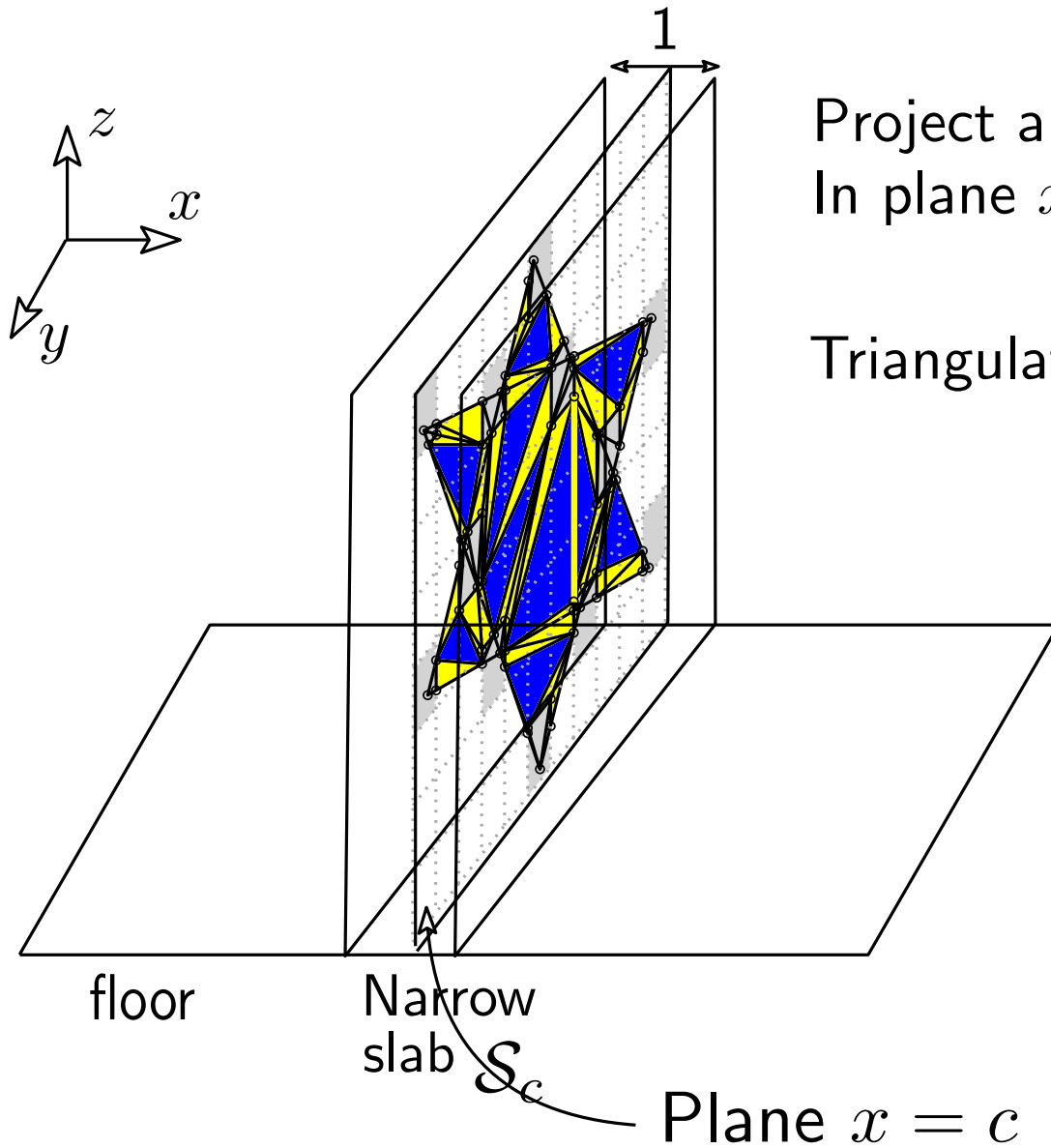


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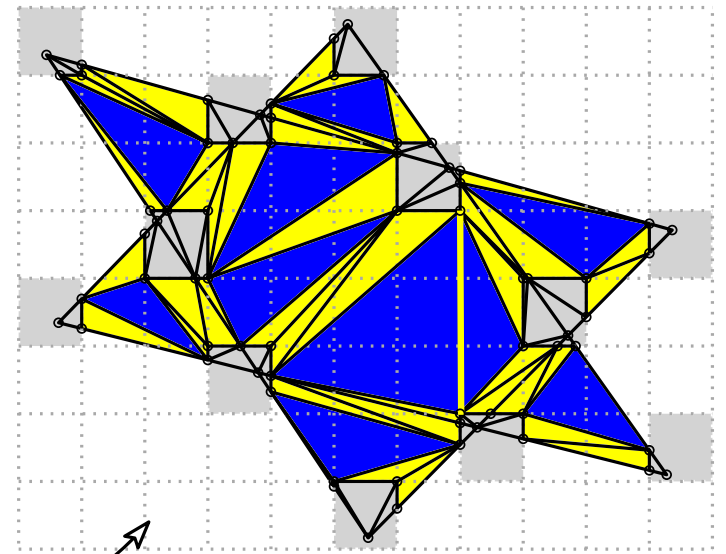
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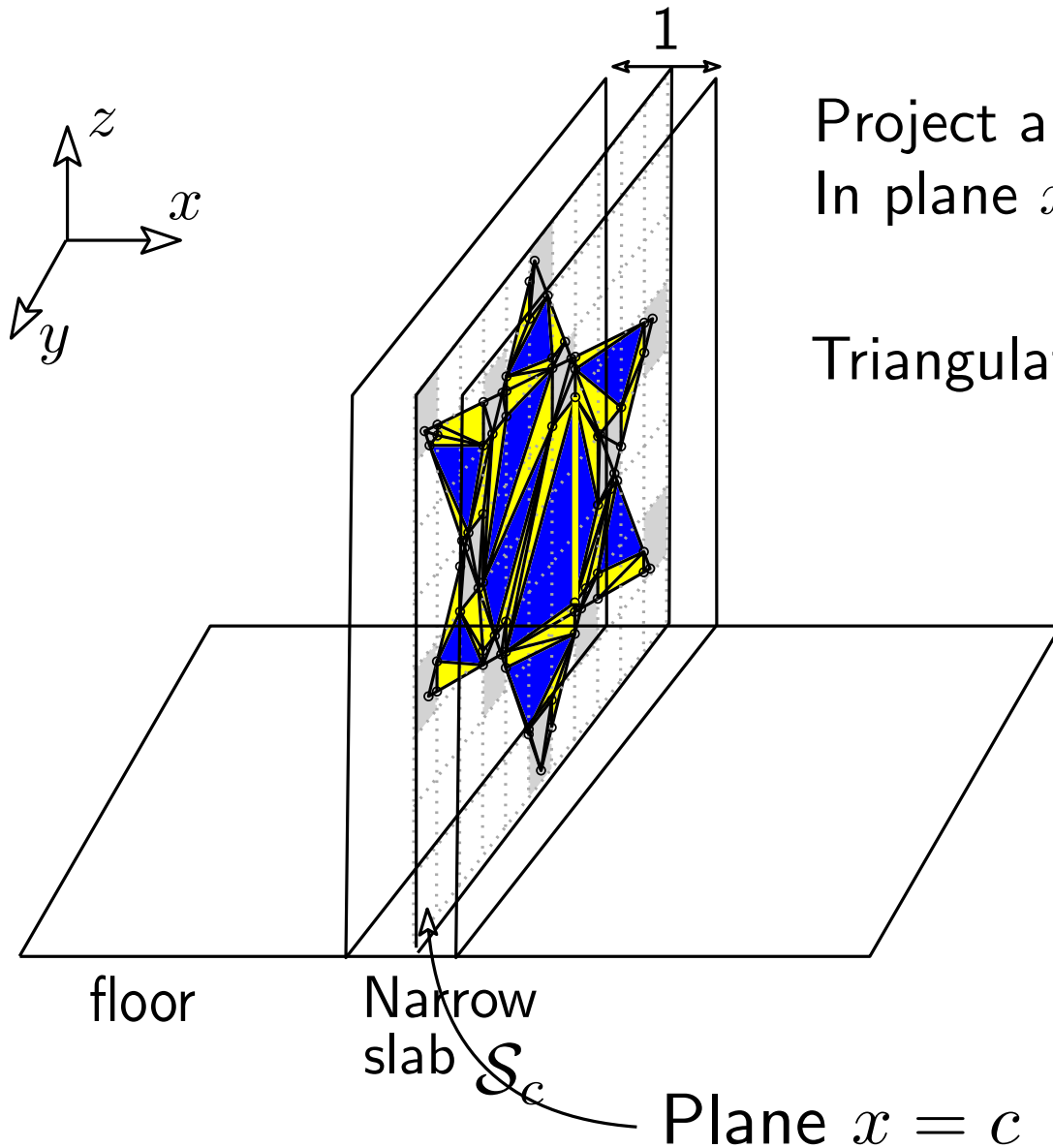
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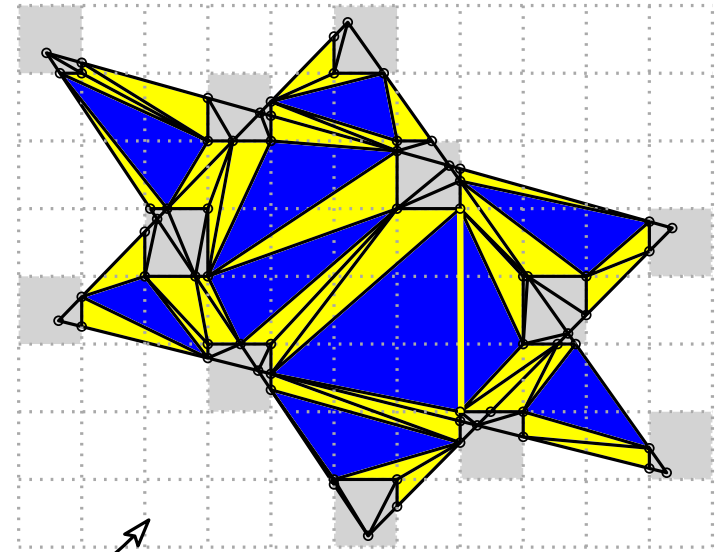
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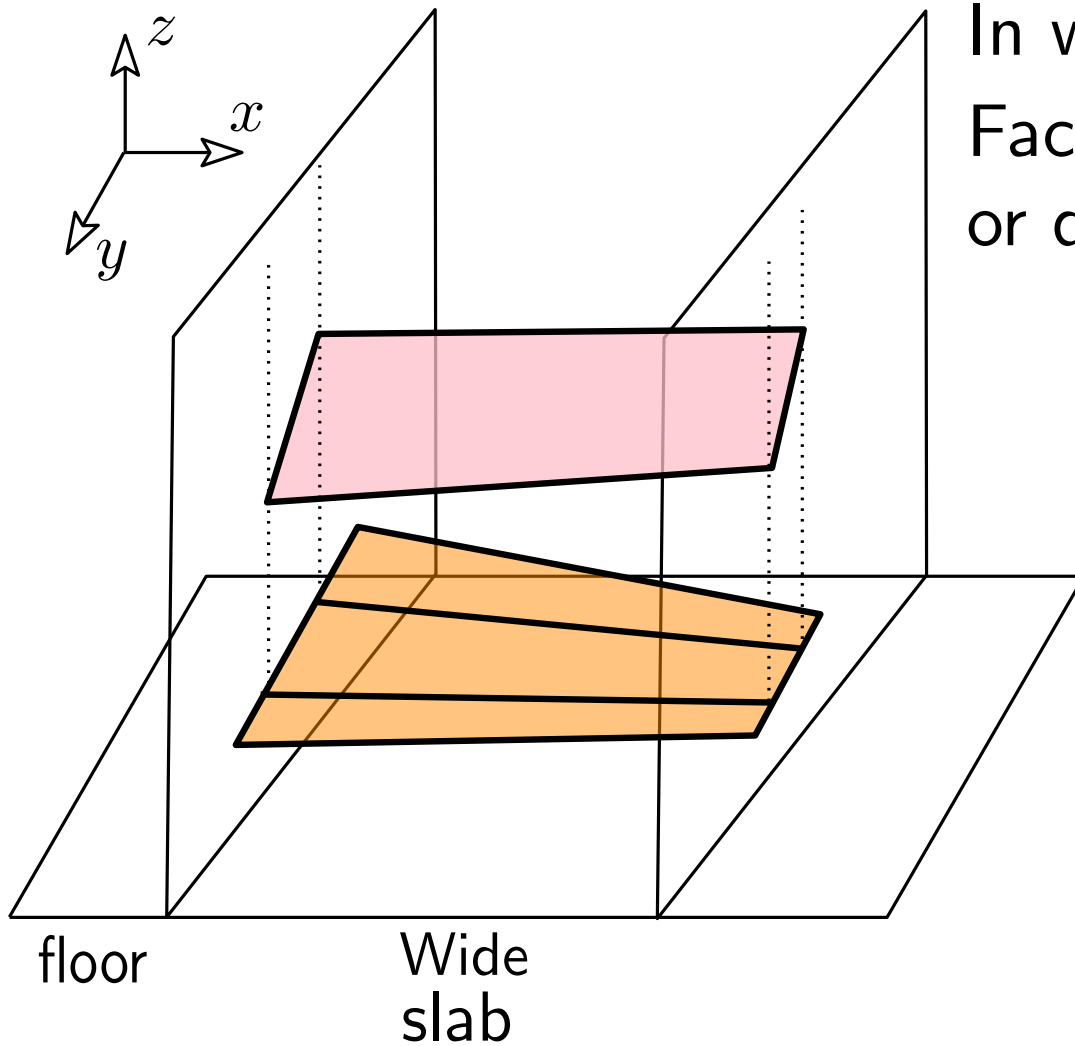
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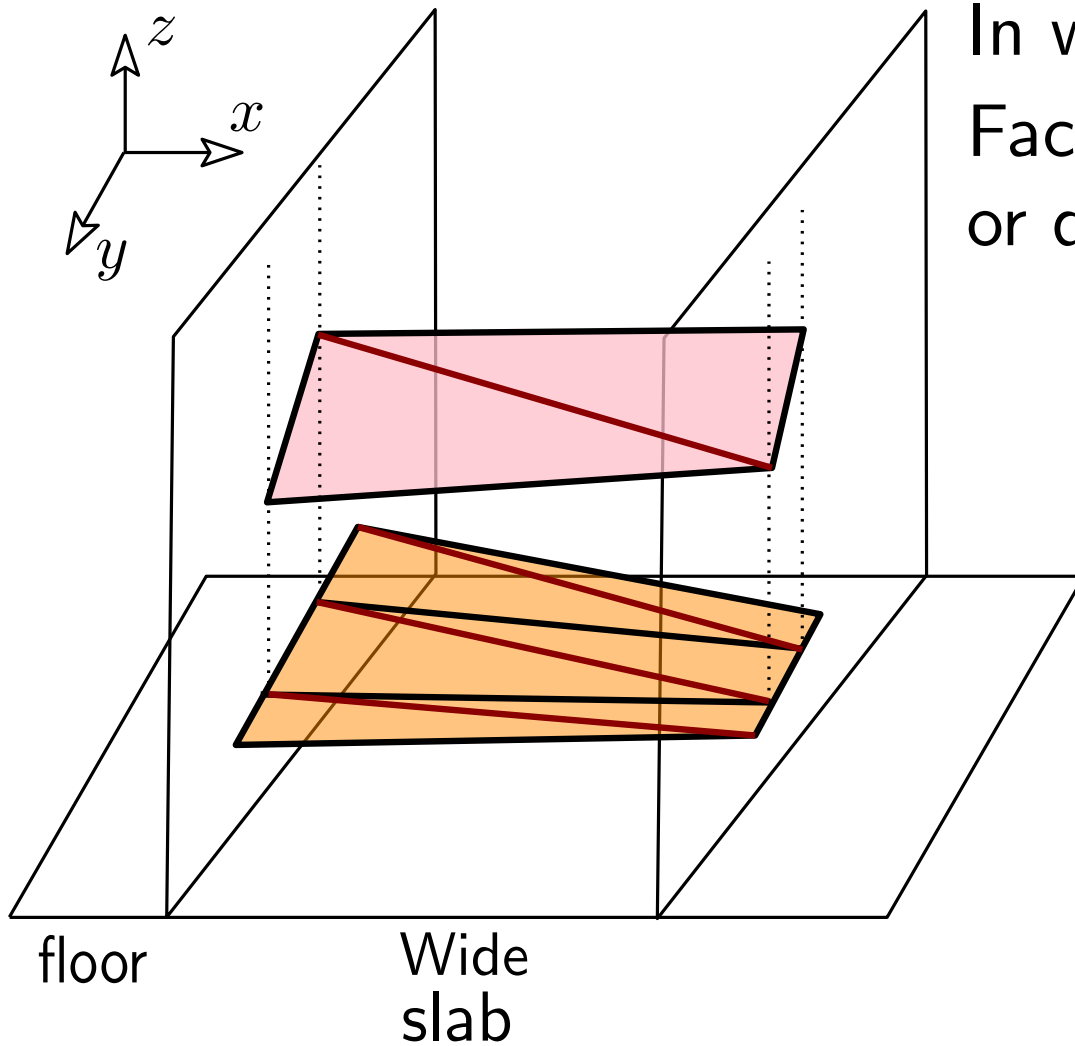
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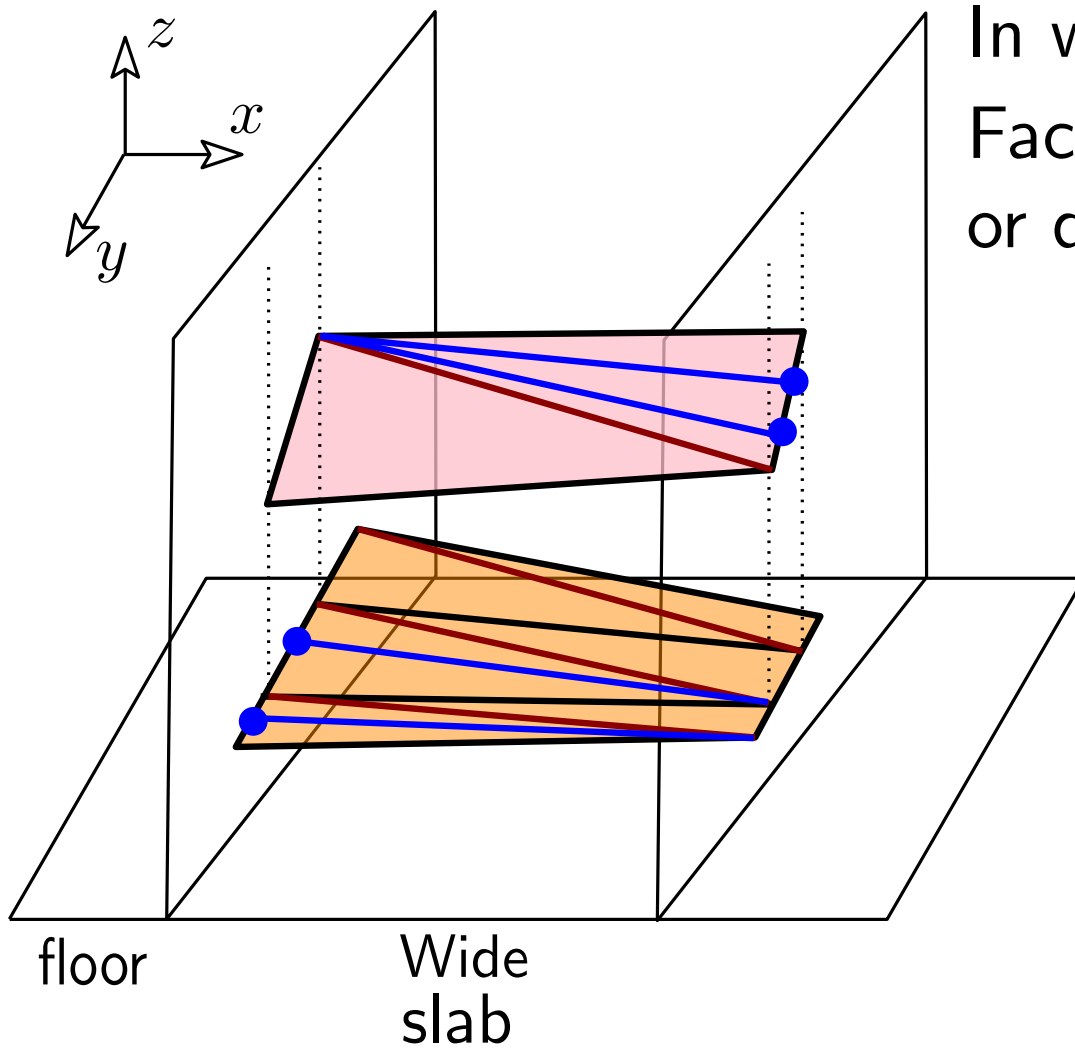


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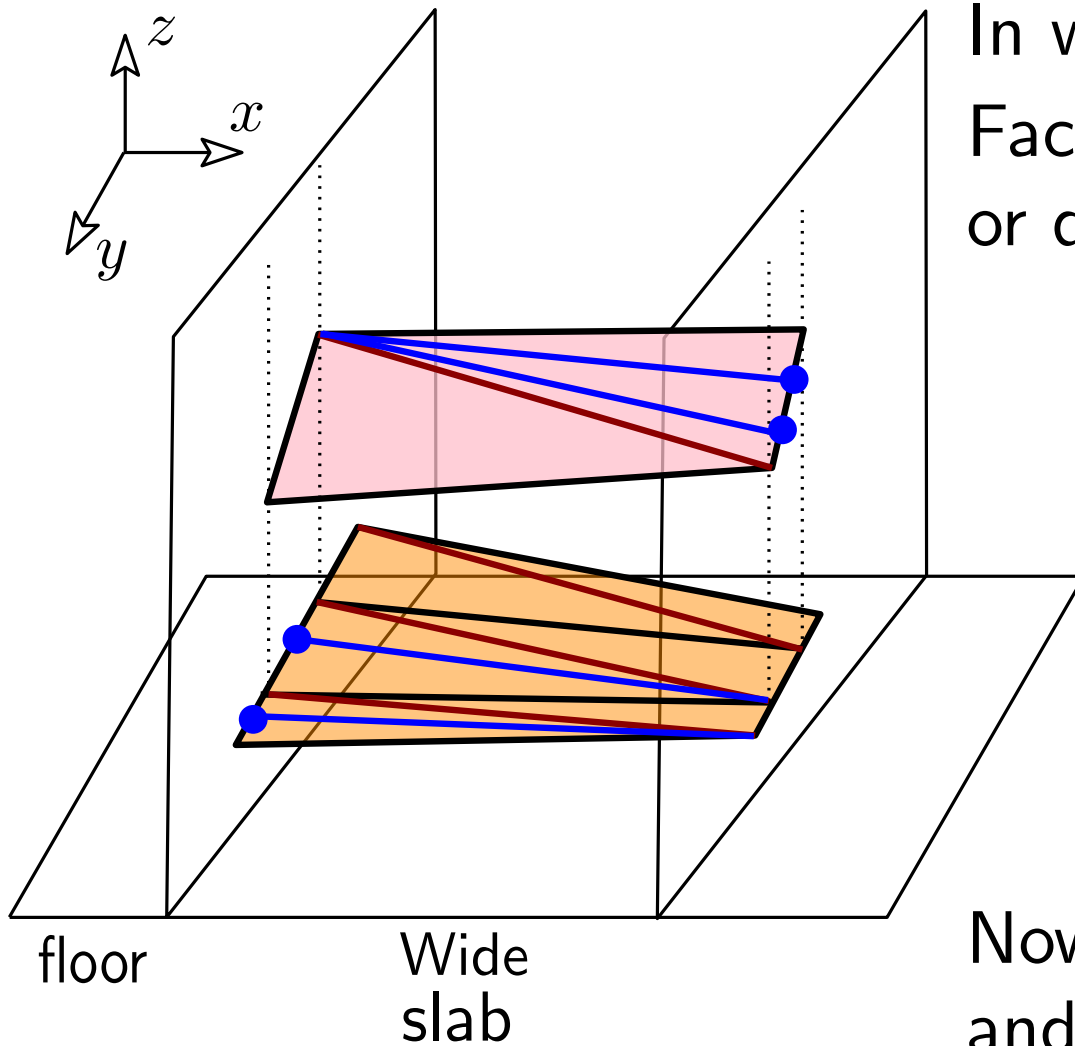


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Delicate proof of correctness

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# Conclusion and current works

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on a fixed-size grid

A first implementation of this algorithm give us a practical complexity  $O(n\sqrt{n})$  with a big prefactor.

An input mesh of 70.000 faces out with billions of faces.

We work on a lazy version of this algorithm.

- Define a slab, project and lift only if its needed

We guess a practical complexity  $O(n)$  and  $O(\sqrt{n})$  subdivision  
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