

Digital 3D Smocking Design

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Smocking not smoking!



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British garment “Smocc”



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From “Smocc” to Smocking



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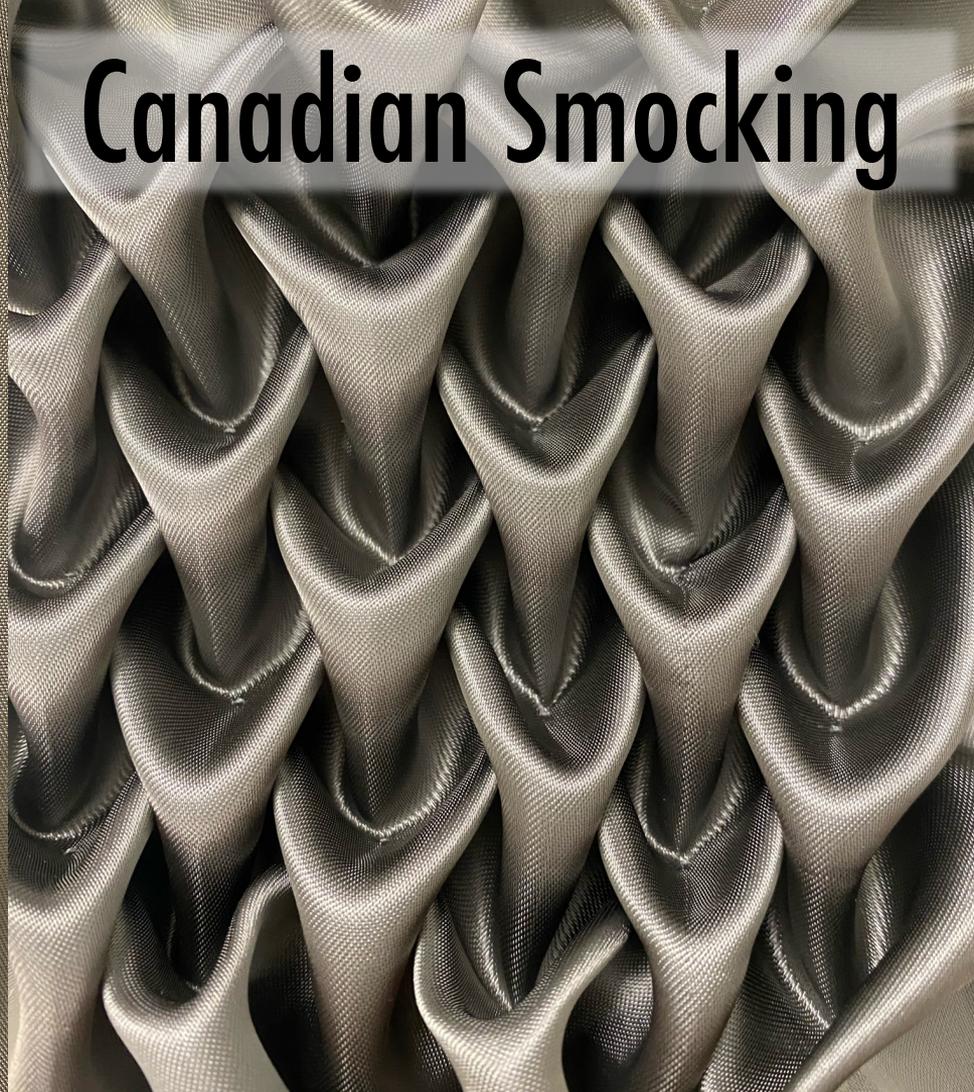


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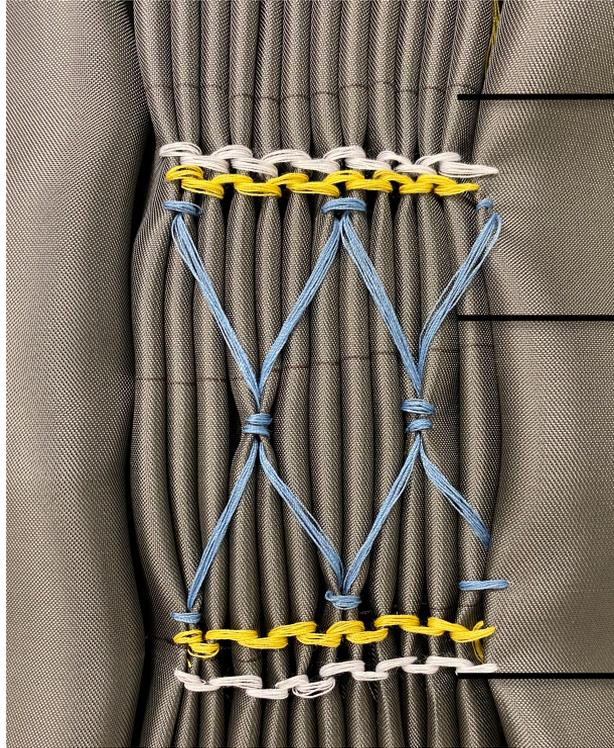
English Smocking



Canadian Smocking



English smocking



folded pleats

gathered threads

embroidered
visible stitches



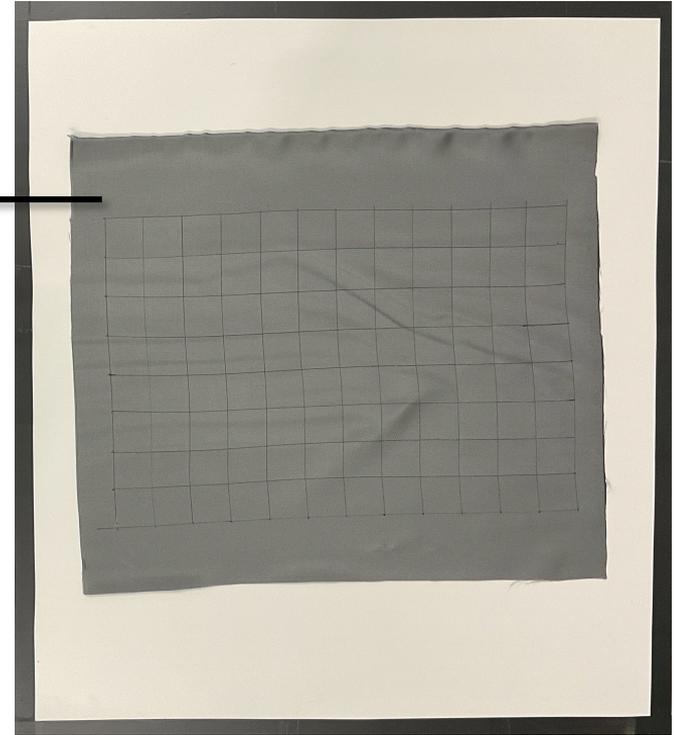
Canadian smocking



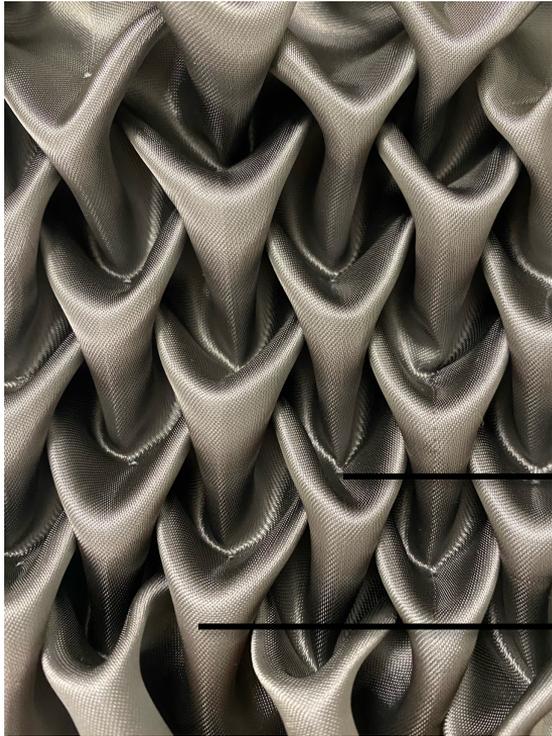
stitching lines
annotated on the back

invisible stitches

geometric textures
from folds



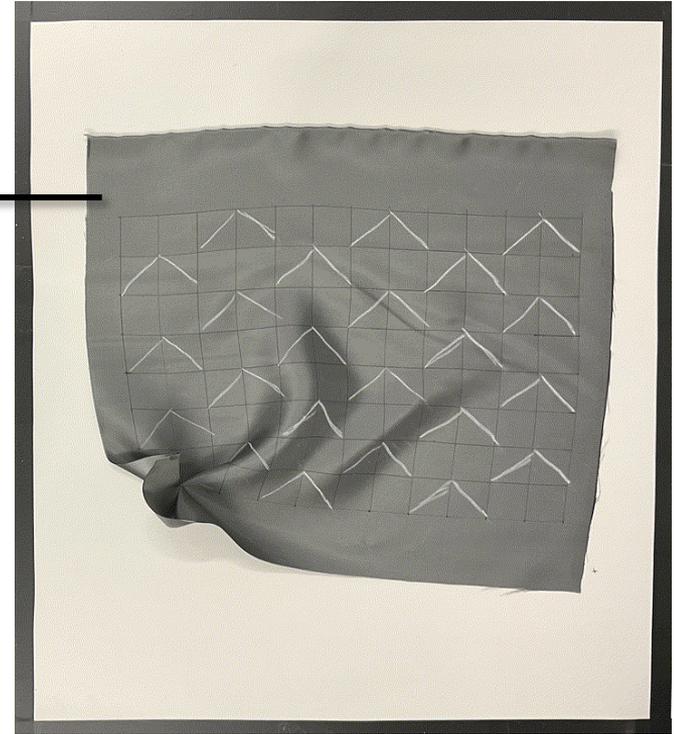
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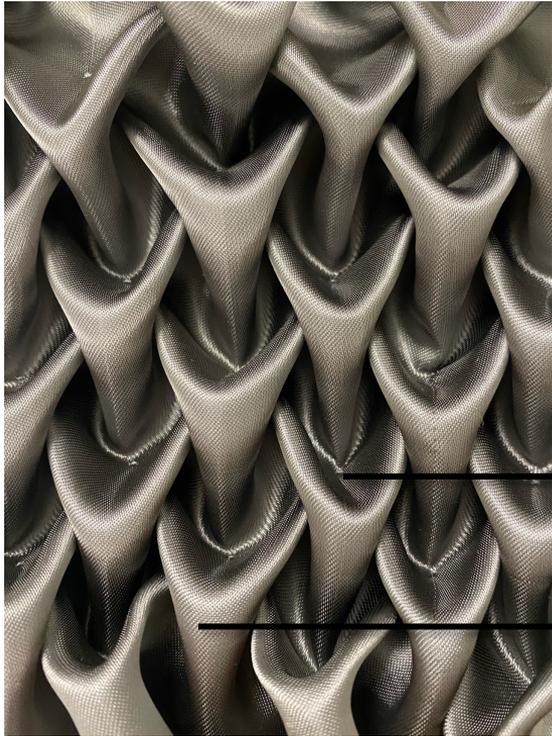
contracting stitches
together

invisible stitches

geometric textures
from folds



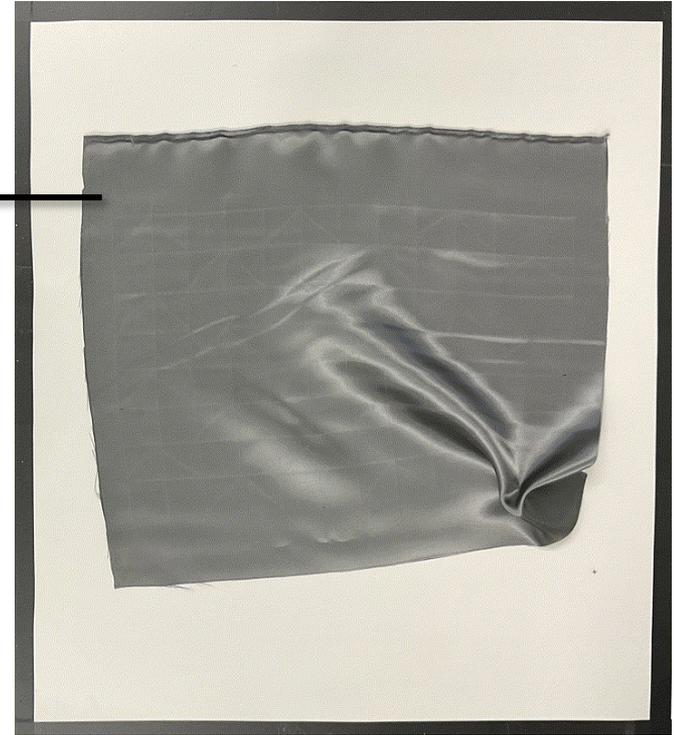
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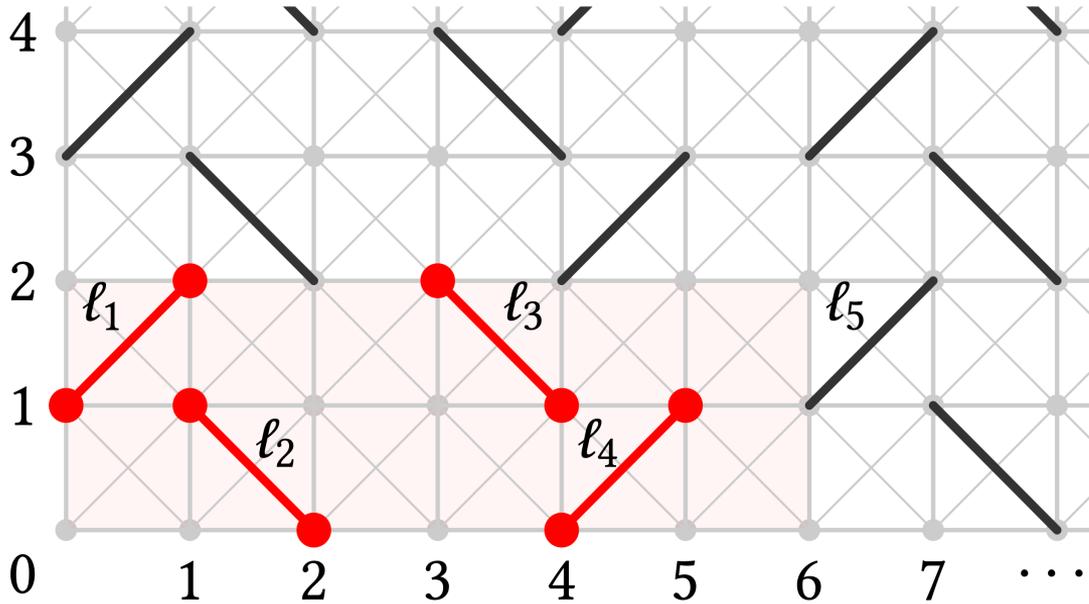
front view

invisible stitches

geometric textures
from folds



Smocking: easy to formulate



Smocking pattern

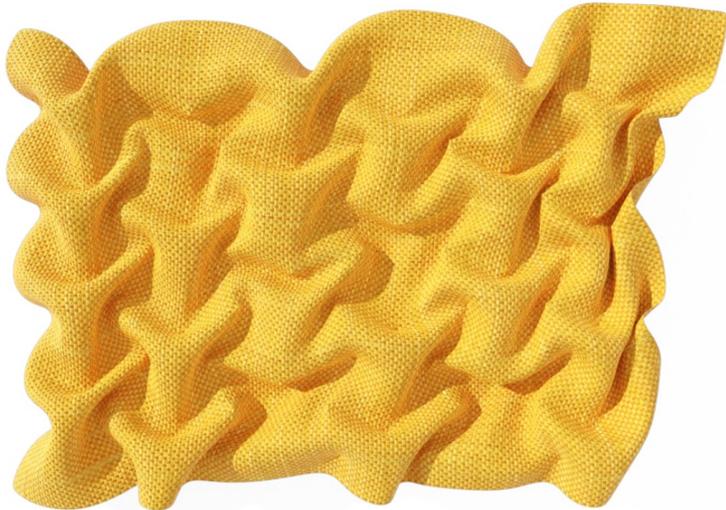
- ❖ graph $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$
- ❖ stitching lines $\mathcal{L} = \{\ell_i\}$

for example:

- ❖ $\ell_1 = (v_{0,1}, v_{1,2})$
- ❖ $\ell_2 = (v_{2,1}, v_{1,1})$
- ❖ $\ell_3 = (v_{4,1}, v_{3,2})$
- ❖ ...

... but not easy to solve

$\bar{e}_{25} = 2.69 \text{ cm}$



$\bar{e}_{50} = 1.26 \text{ cm}$



$\bar{e}_{75} = 0.97 \text{ cm}$

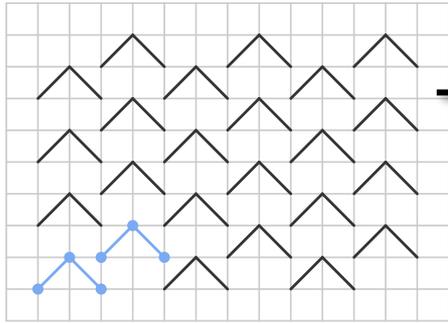


cloth simulation using **Blender**

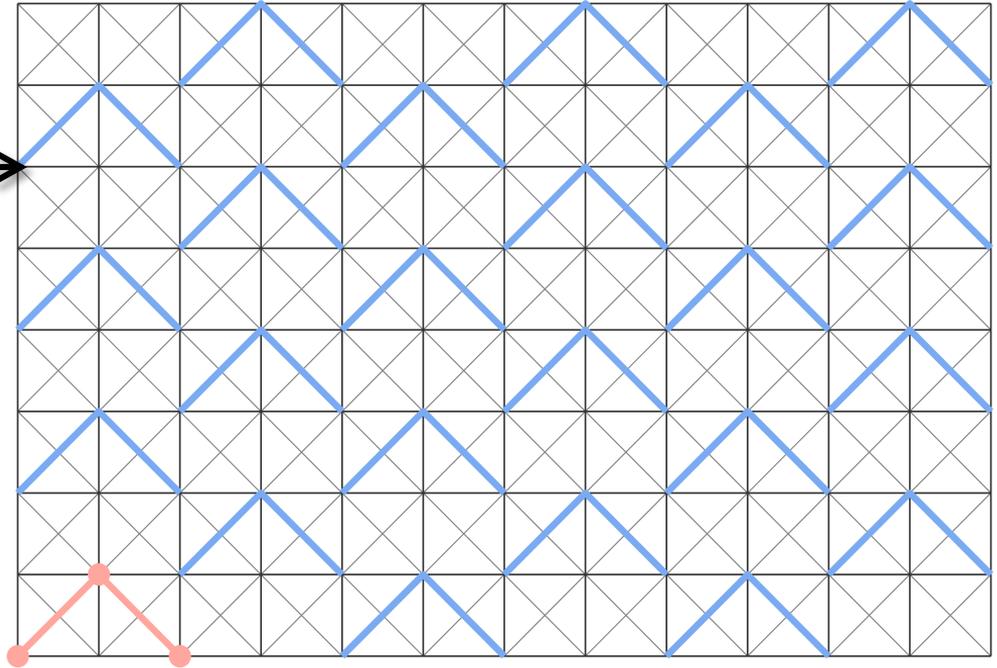
- ❖ geometry is **unknown** before smocking
- ❖ no geometry priors → **irregular** pleats

How to extract geometric priors?

input smocking pattern

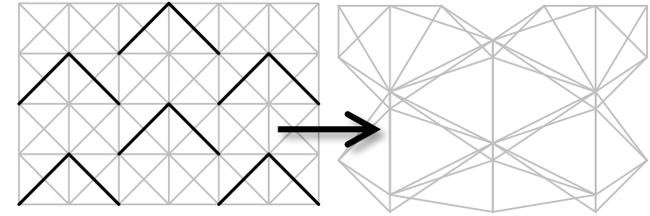
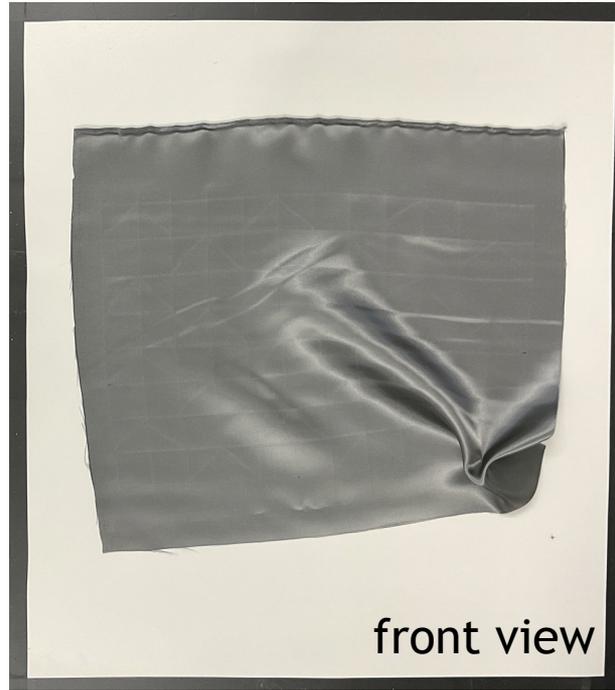
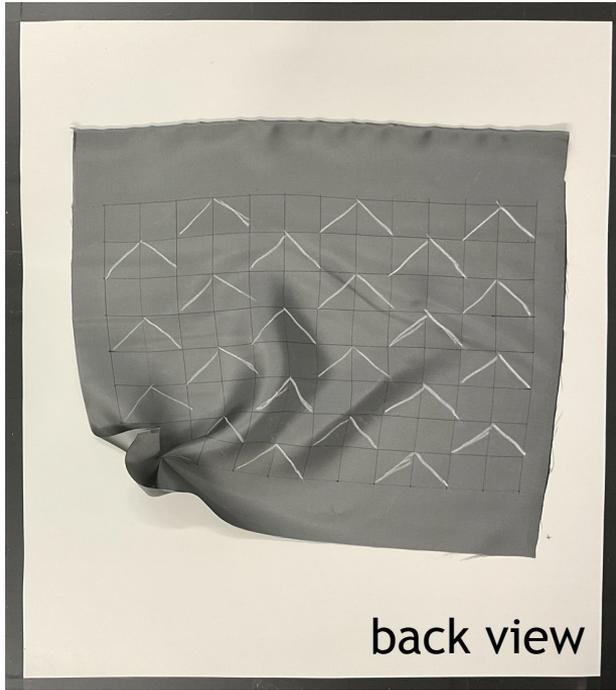


extracted **smocked graph**



- ❖ merge each **stitching line** into a **single node**
- ❖ delete **degenerated & redundant edges**
- ✓ **sewing constraints hard-coded**

... capture modified geometry?

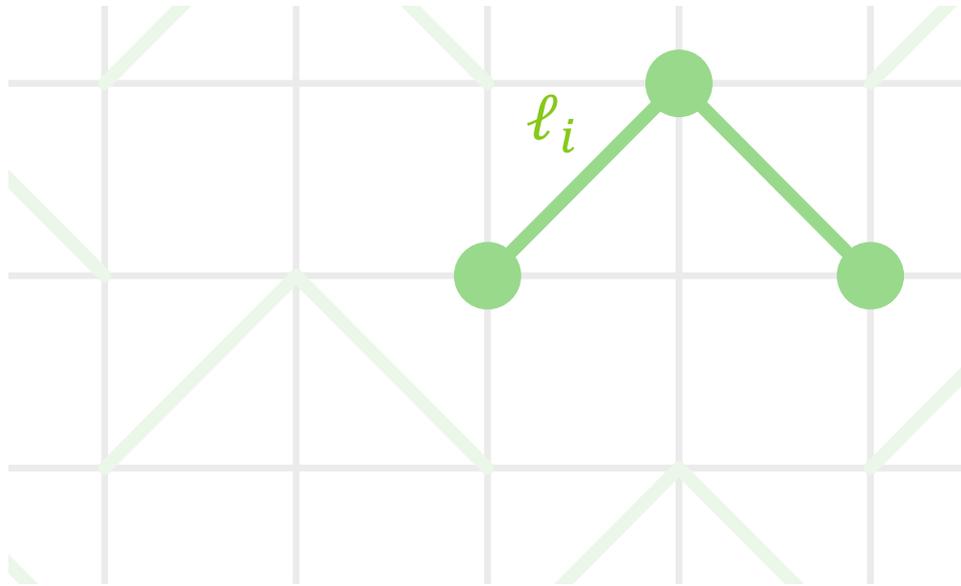


smocked graph

- ✓ sewing constraints
hard-coded
- ✗ modified geometry
not considered!

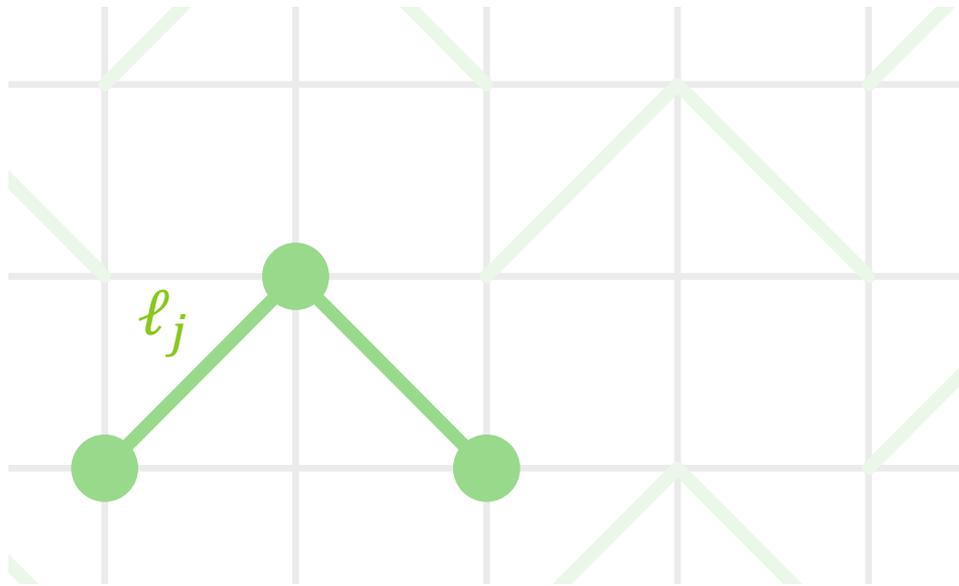
❖ fabric **shrinks** during the smocking process!

Embedding distance constraint



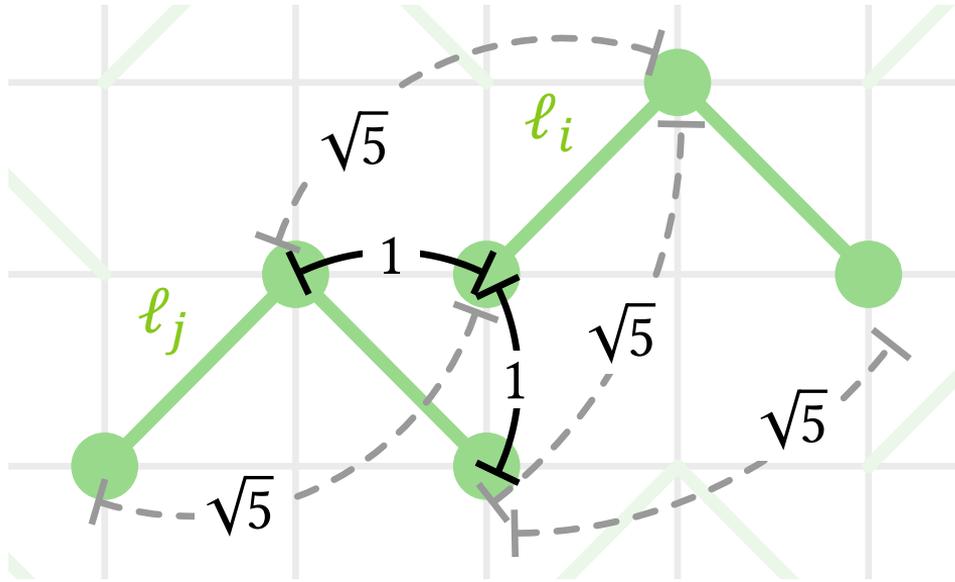
❖ l_i is embedded at $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Embedding distance constraint



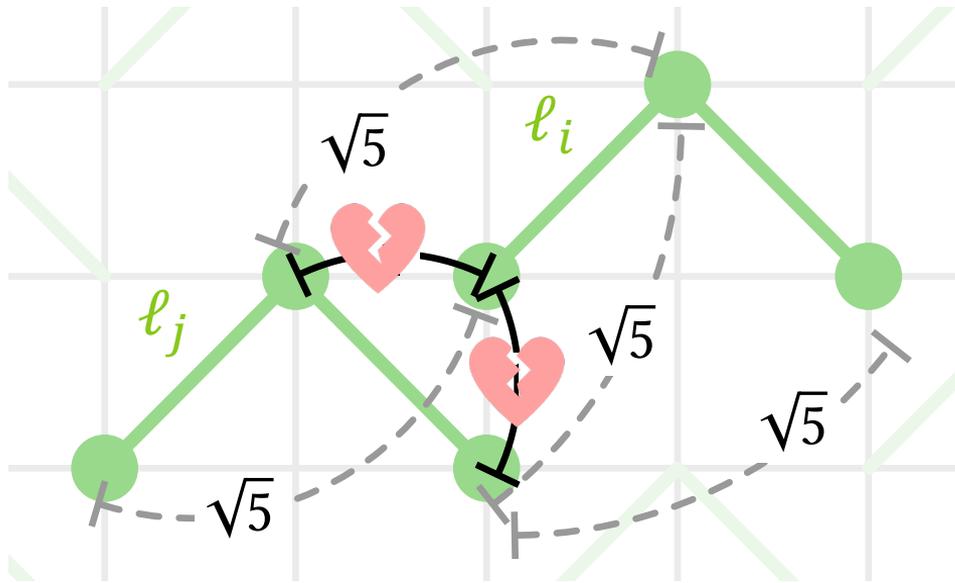
❖ ℓ_j is embedded at $x_j \in \mathbb{R}^3$

Embedding distance constraint



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Embedding distance constraint

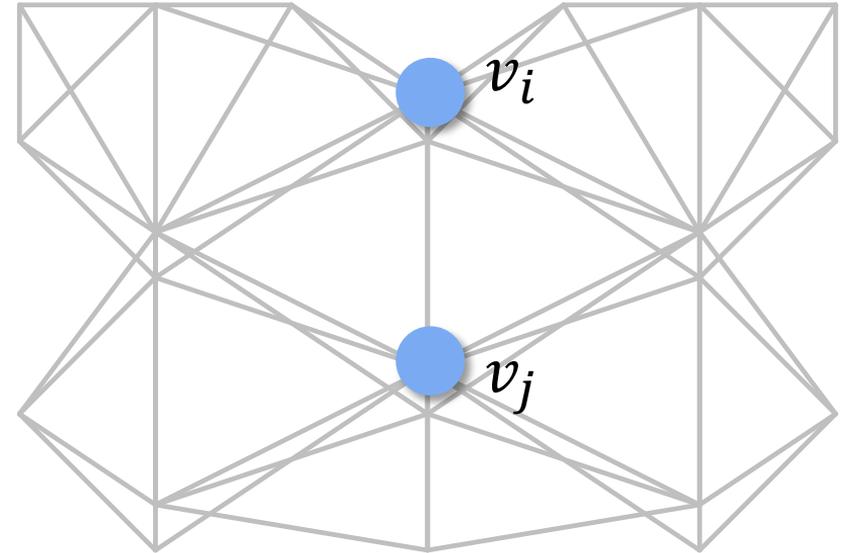
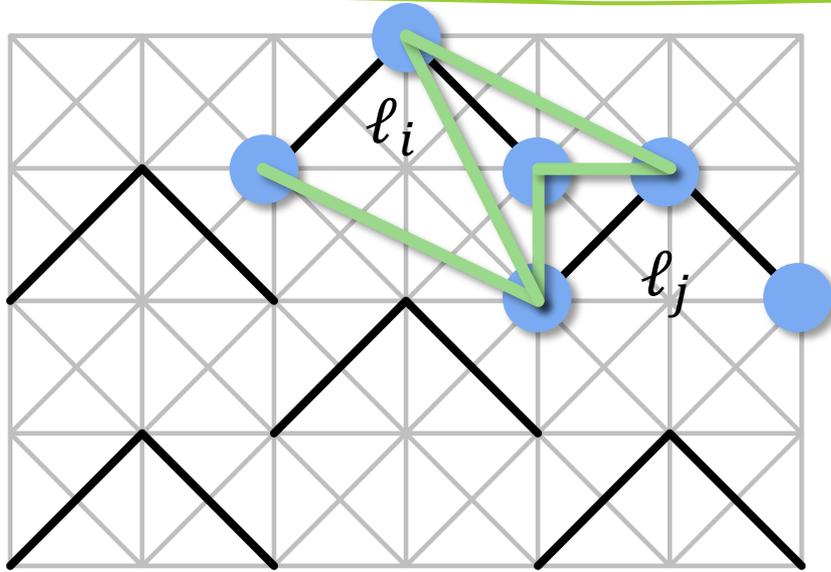


- ❖ ℓ_i is embedded at $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$
- ❖ ℓ_j is embedded at $x_j \in \mathbb{R}^3$

 $\|x_i - x_j\| \leq 1$

- ❖ If $\|x_i - x_j\| > 1$, fabric would tear at 

Embedding distance constraint



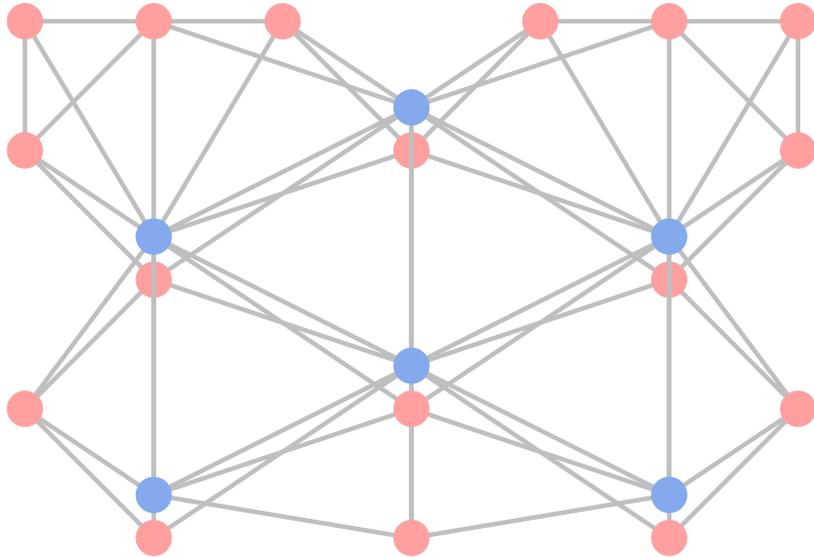
$d(\cdot, \cdot)$: the distance in original fabric

v_i is embedded at $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \text{ where } d_{i,j} = \min_{v_p \in \ell_i, v_q \in \ell_j} d(v_p, v_q)$$

Embedding distance constraint

smocked graph



v_i is embedded at $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall i, j$$

- ❖ $d_{i,j}$ encodes the modified geometry
- ❖ guarantees that the fabric won't tear after stitching

goal find an embedding that satisfies all the constraints 😊

problem trivial solutions such as $\forall i$
 $x_i = (0,0,0)$ are feasible 😞

Observations



valid but cluttered result



expected result

Our formulation for smocking

$$\max_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{i \neq j} \|x_i - x_j\|$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

energy avoids cluttered (trivial) solutions

constraints fabric doesn't tear after smocking

challenges

- non-convex problem
- $n(n-1)/2$ constraints, too many!

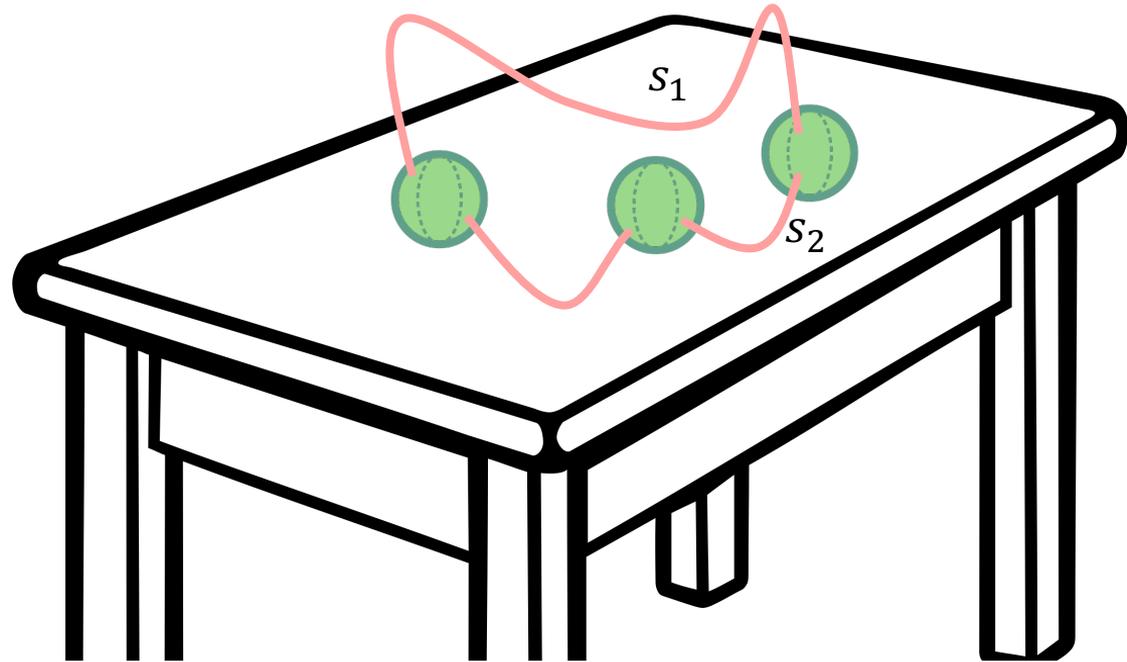
... are all constraints necessary?

$$\max_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{i \neq j} \|x_i - x_j\|$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

equivalent setting

- ❖ a set of balls can move around
- ❖ fragile string connecting balls with length $d_{i,j}$



⚡ s_2 will break before s_1 is pulled taut

Simplified formulation

$$\max_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{i \neq j} \|x_i - x_j\|$$

energy avoids cluttered (trivial) solutions

~~$$\text{s.t. } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall i \neq j$$~~

constraints fabric doesn't tear after smocking

$$\|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall (i, j) \in \mathcal{E}$$

Only check the vertices that are **adjacent**

Unconstrained formulation

$$\max_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{i \neq j} \|x_i - x_j\|$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall (i,j) \in \mathcal{E}$$

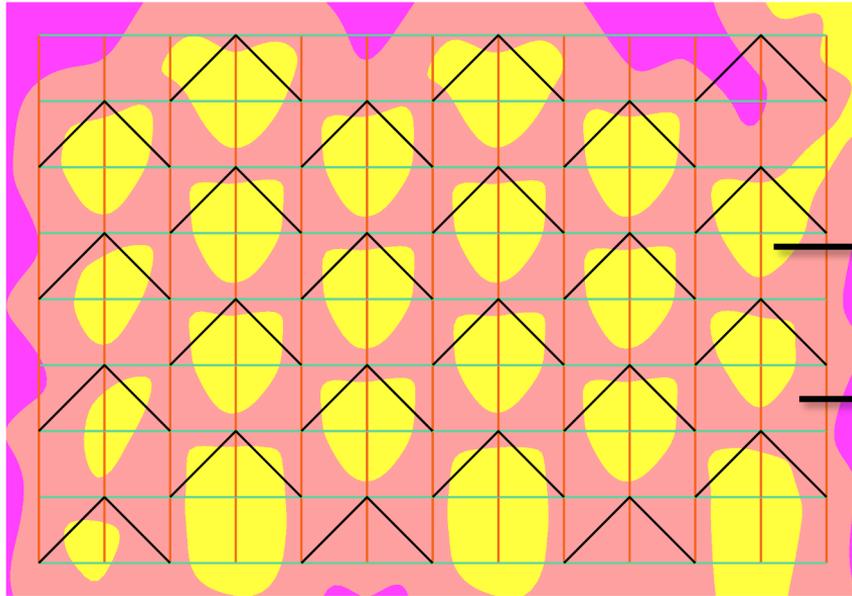
graph embedding problem

reformulate

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} (\|x_i - x_j\| - d_{i,j})^2$$

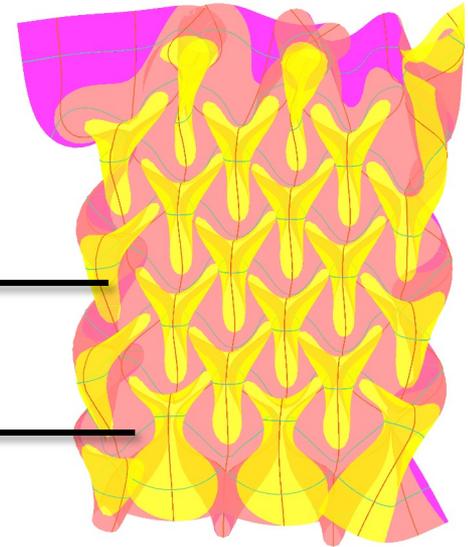
Motivations

Smocked result = underlay + pleat



pleat region

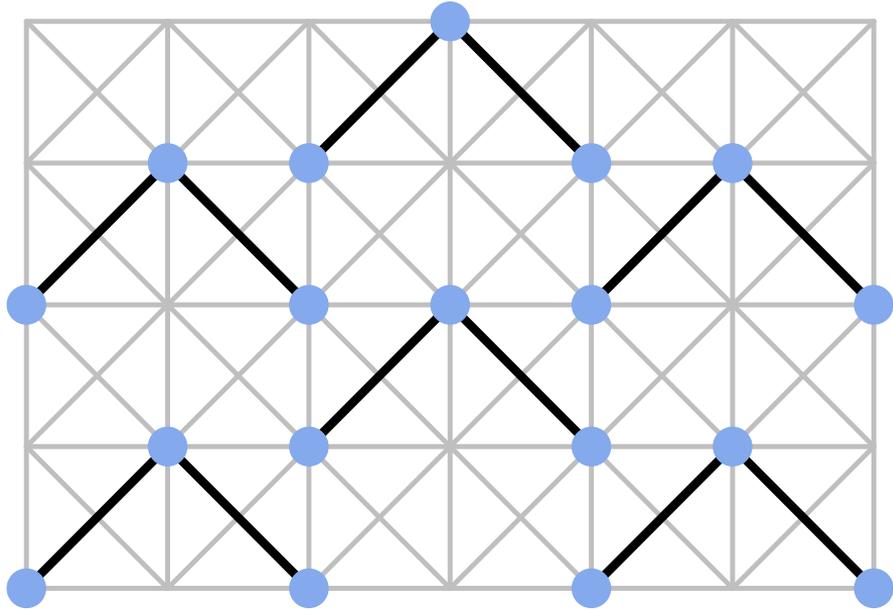
underlay region



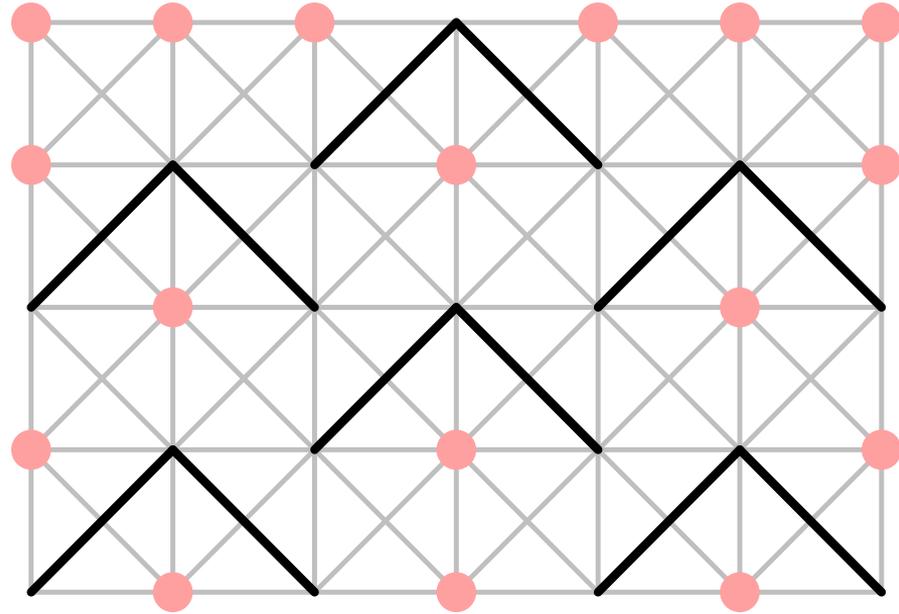
Height map visualization

... categorize vertices!

underlay vertex

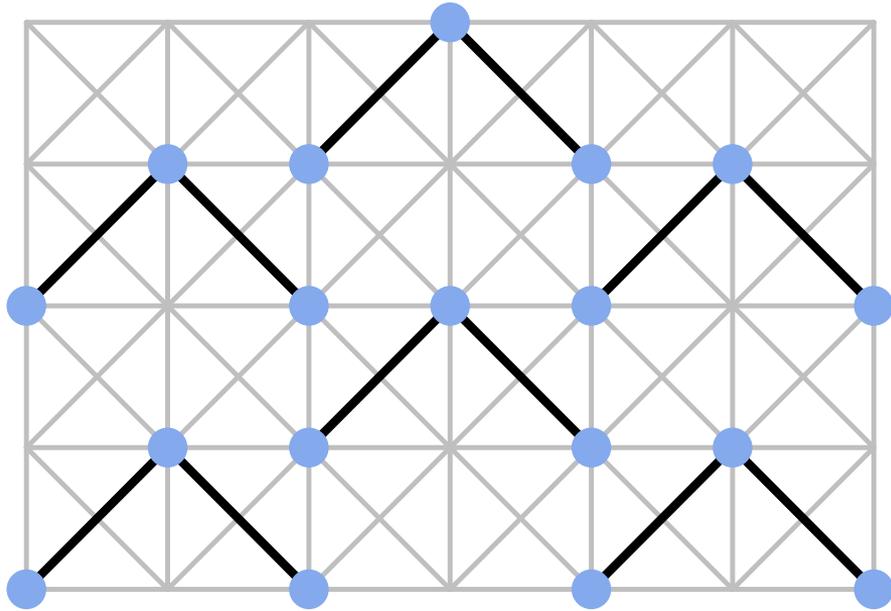


pleat vertex!

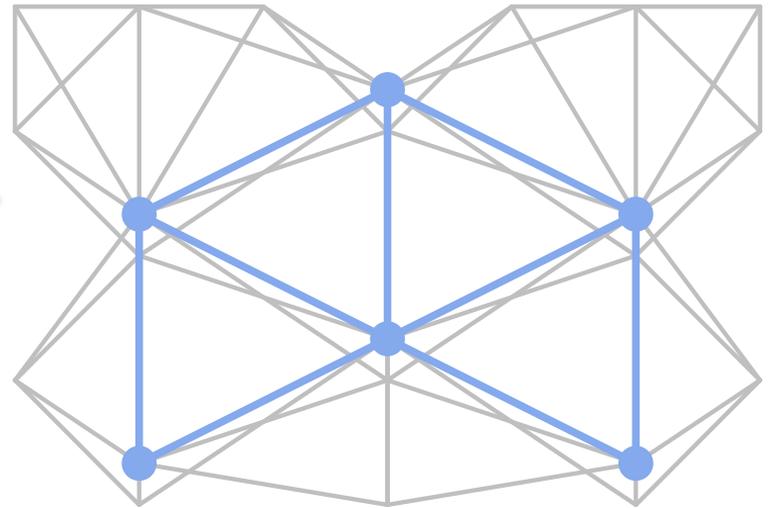


Methodology : underlay graph

smocking pattern

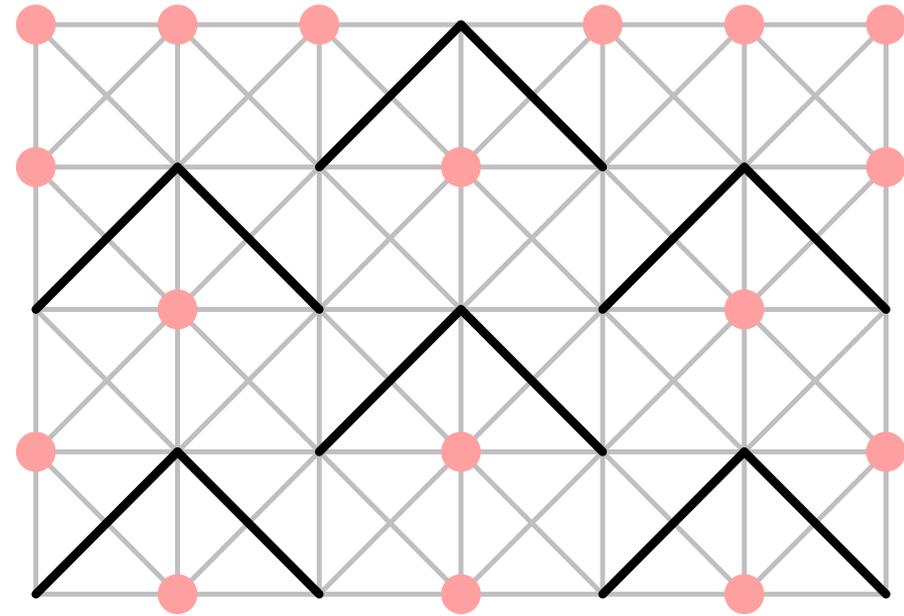


smocked graph
underlay subgraph ($\mathcal{V}_u, \mathcal{E}_u$)



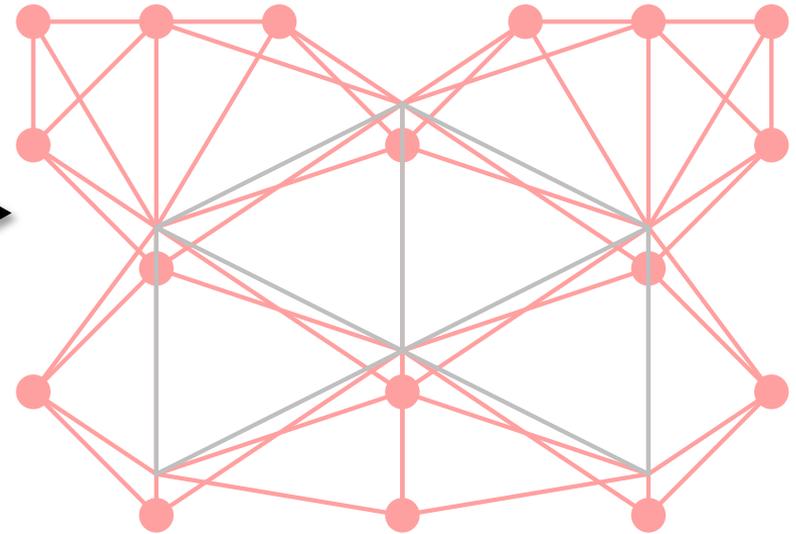
Methodology : pleat graph

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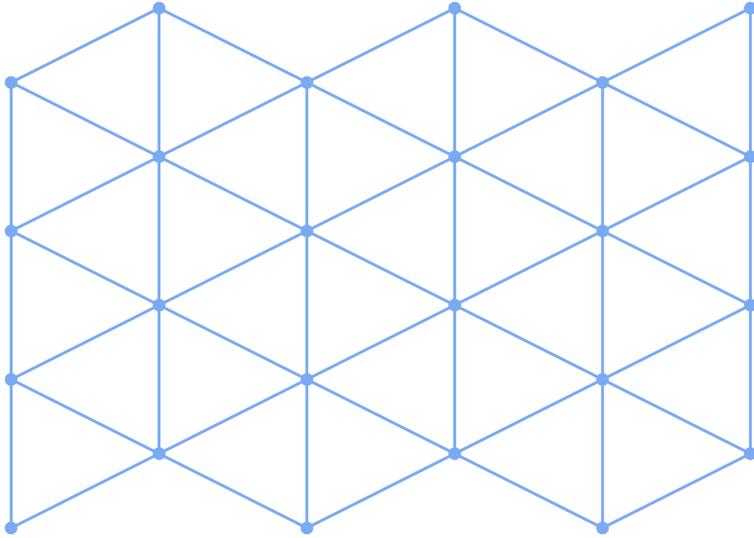
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pleat subgraph $(\mathcal{V}_p, \mathcal{E}_p)$



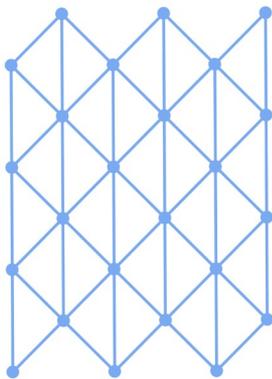
Methodology : two-stage solver

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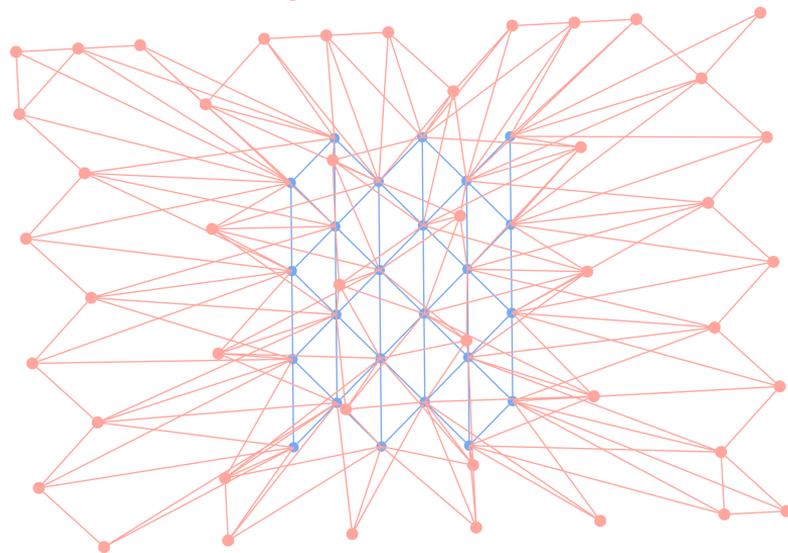


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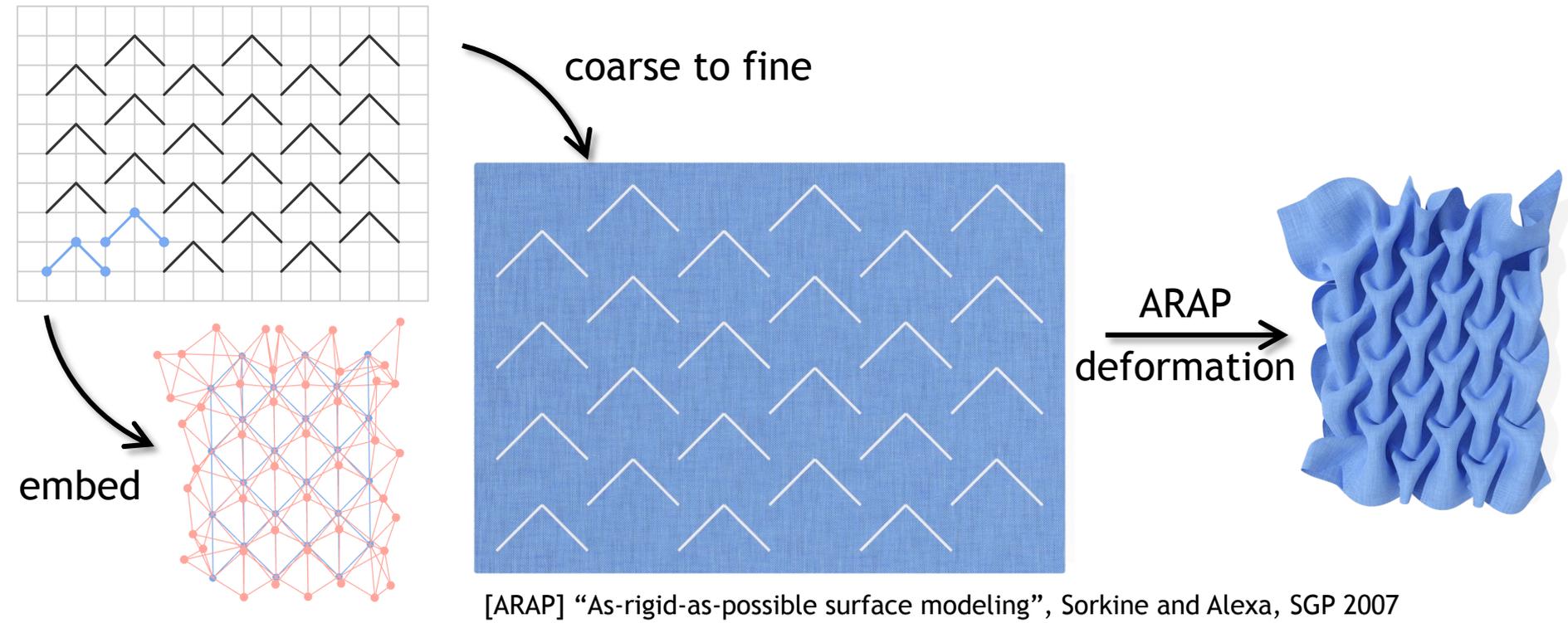
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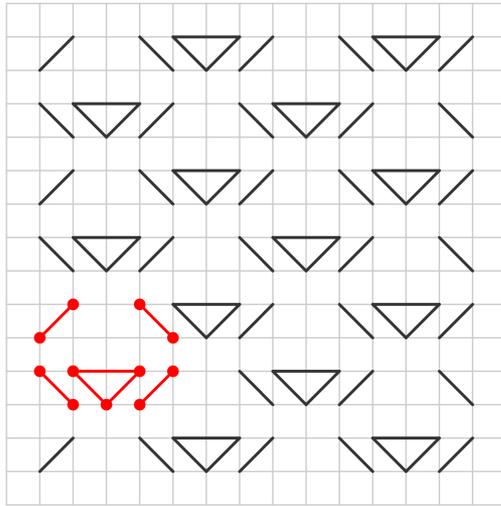


Methodology : ARAP-deformation



Our results vs. fabrications

smocking pattern



ours

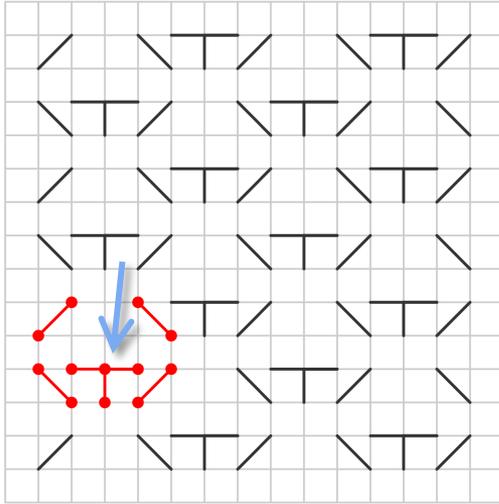


fabrication



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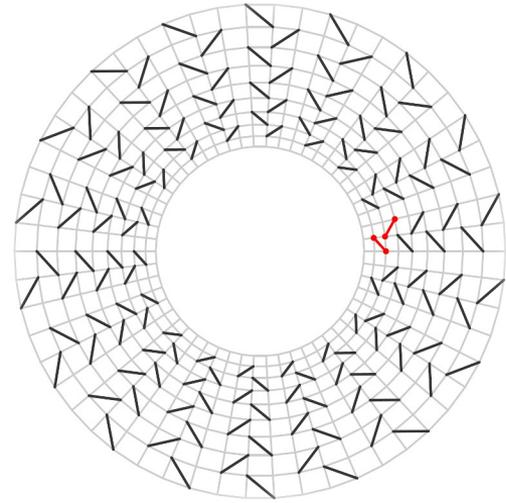


Our results : radial grid

smocking pattern

front

back

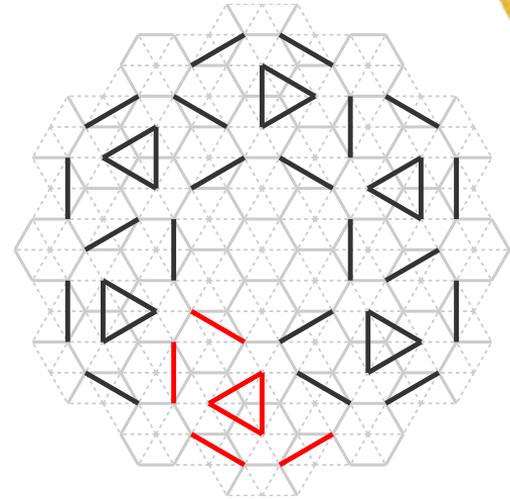


Our results : hexagonal grid

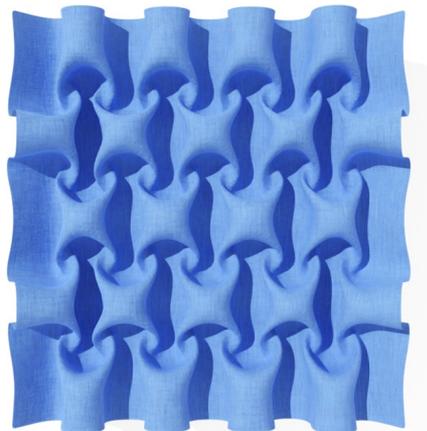
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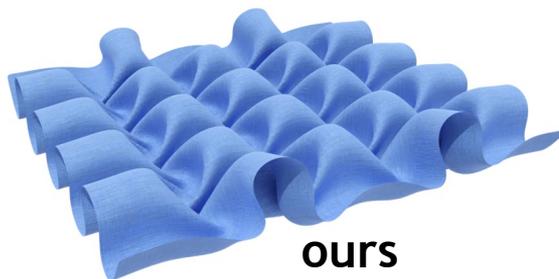
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Our results vs. Marvelous Designer



MD

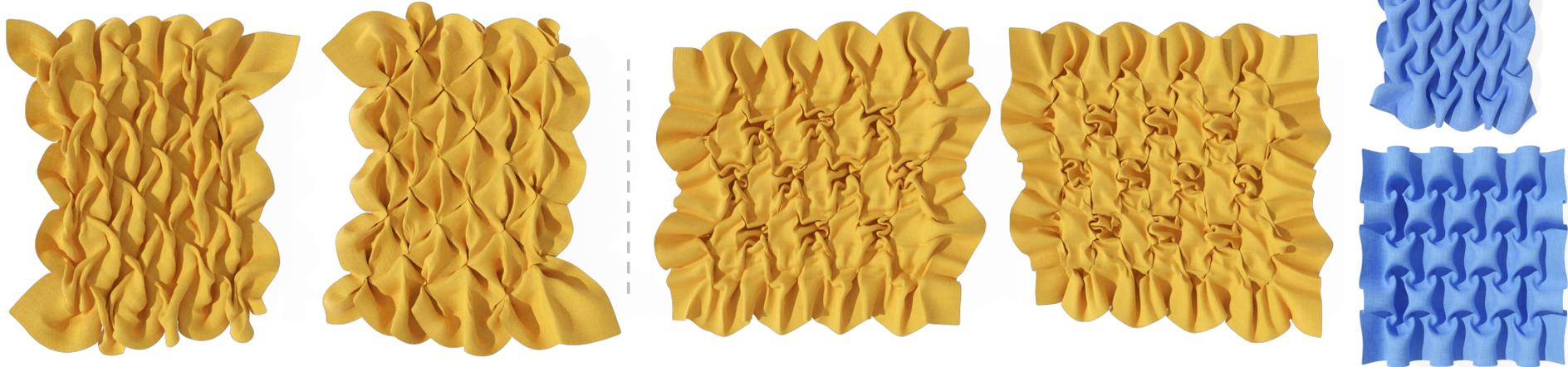


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Our results vs. ArcSim

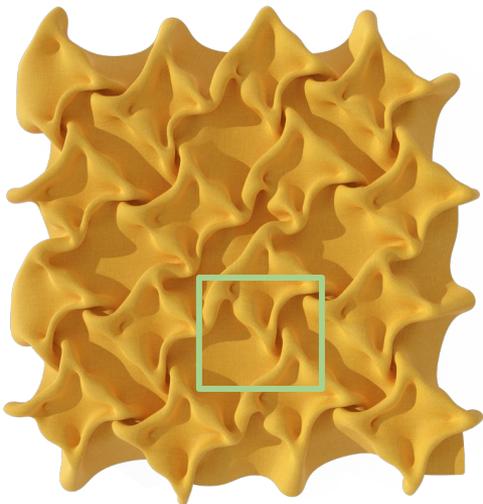
[ArcSim] “Adaptive anisotropic remeshing for cloth simulation”,
Narain et al. ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG), 2012



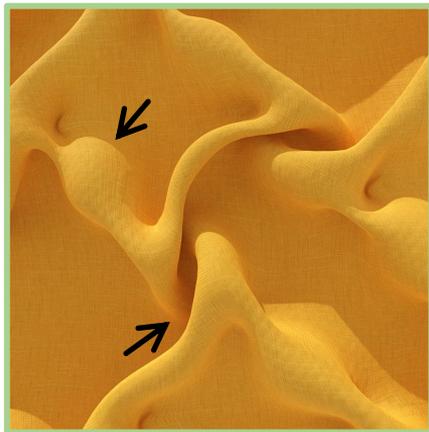
✓ correct aspect ratio after smocking ✗ non-realistic pleats

Our results vs. C-IPC

[C-IPC] “Codimensional Incremental Potential Contact”, Li et al. ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG), 2021



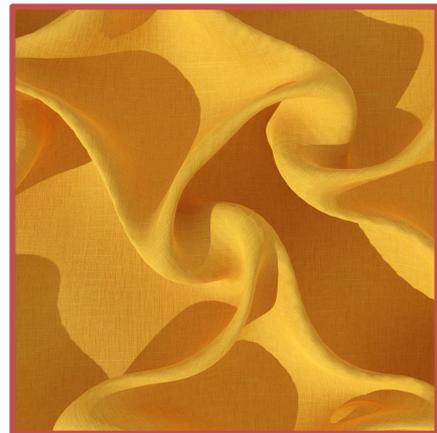
C-IPC : 6 min



fabrication



ours : 4 sec

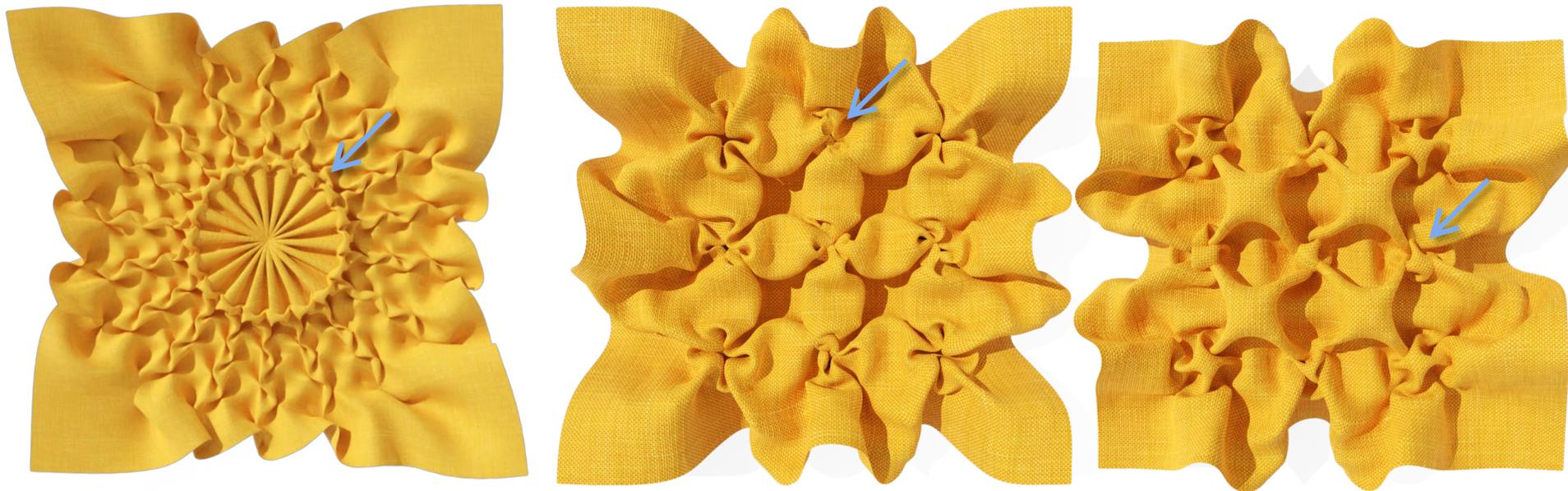


- ✓ correct aspect ratio after smocking
- ✓ reasonable but not very accurate pleats

- ✗ computationally expensive
- ✗ non-trivial parameters tuning

Limitations & future work

No collision handling: self-intersections



Limitations & future work

Geometric features vs. material-dependent features



canvas



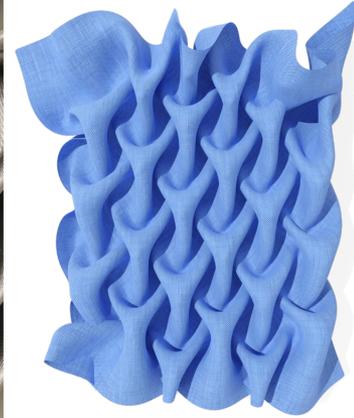
polyester
(crisp, thin)



polyester
(soft, thick)



satin



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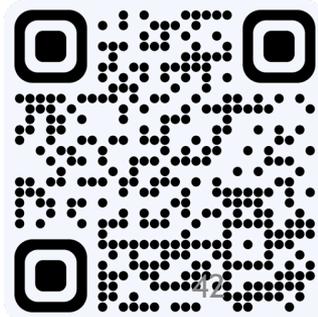


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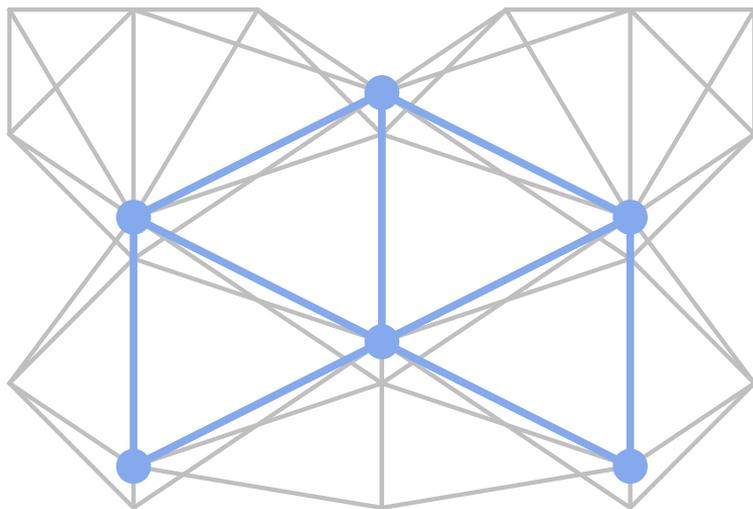
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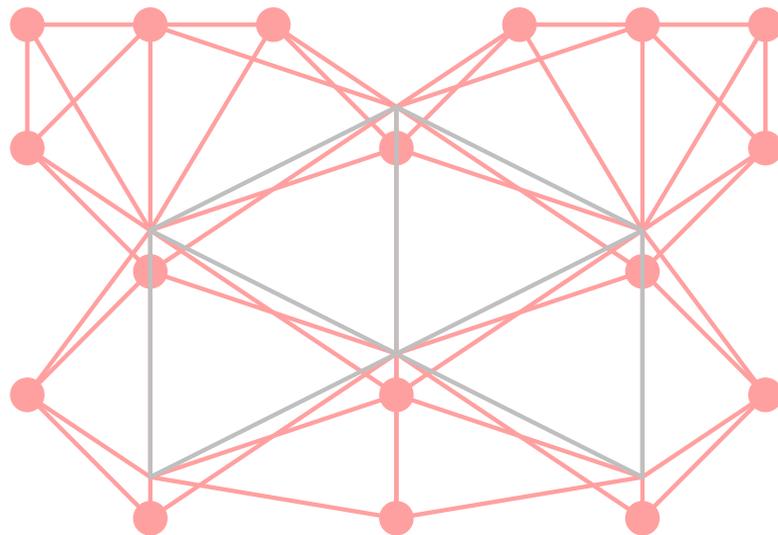
Supplementary slides

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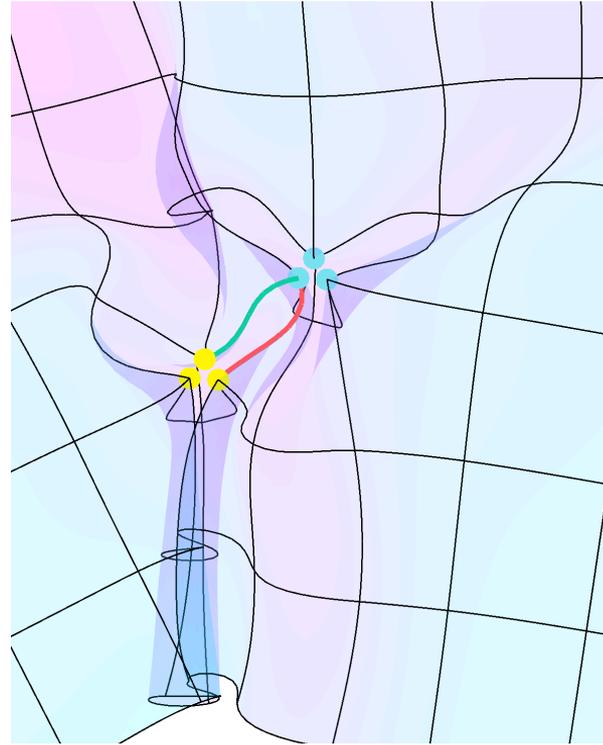
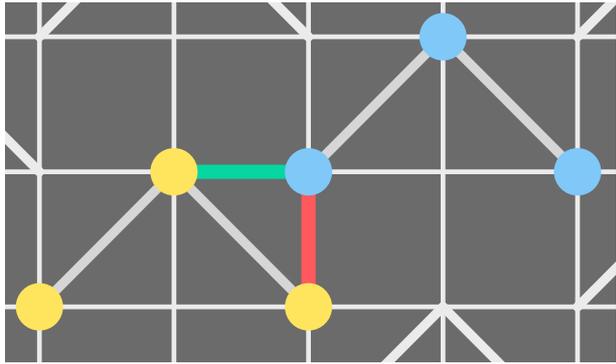
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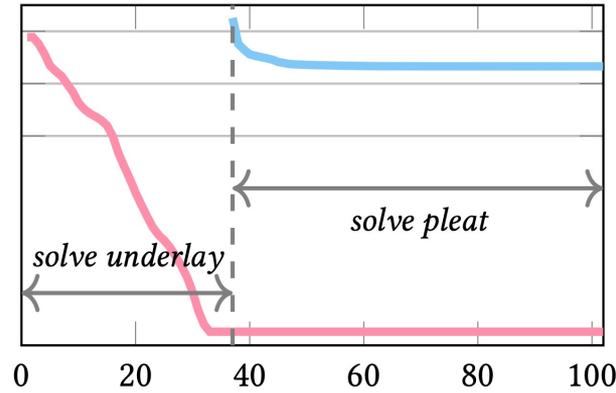
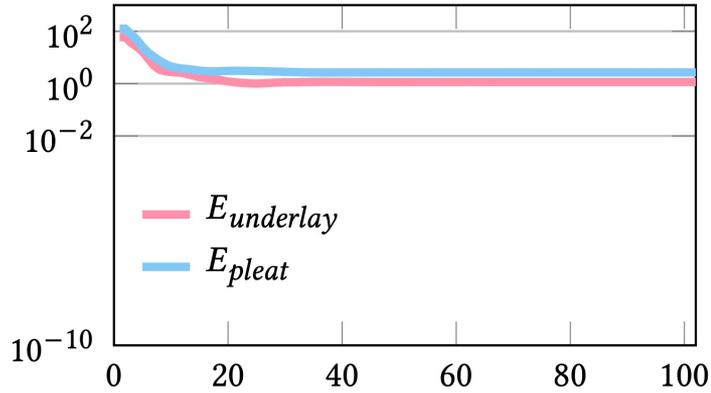
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Embedding distance constraint



Methodology : two-stage solver



front



back



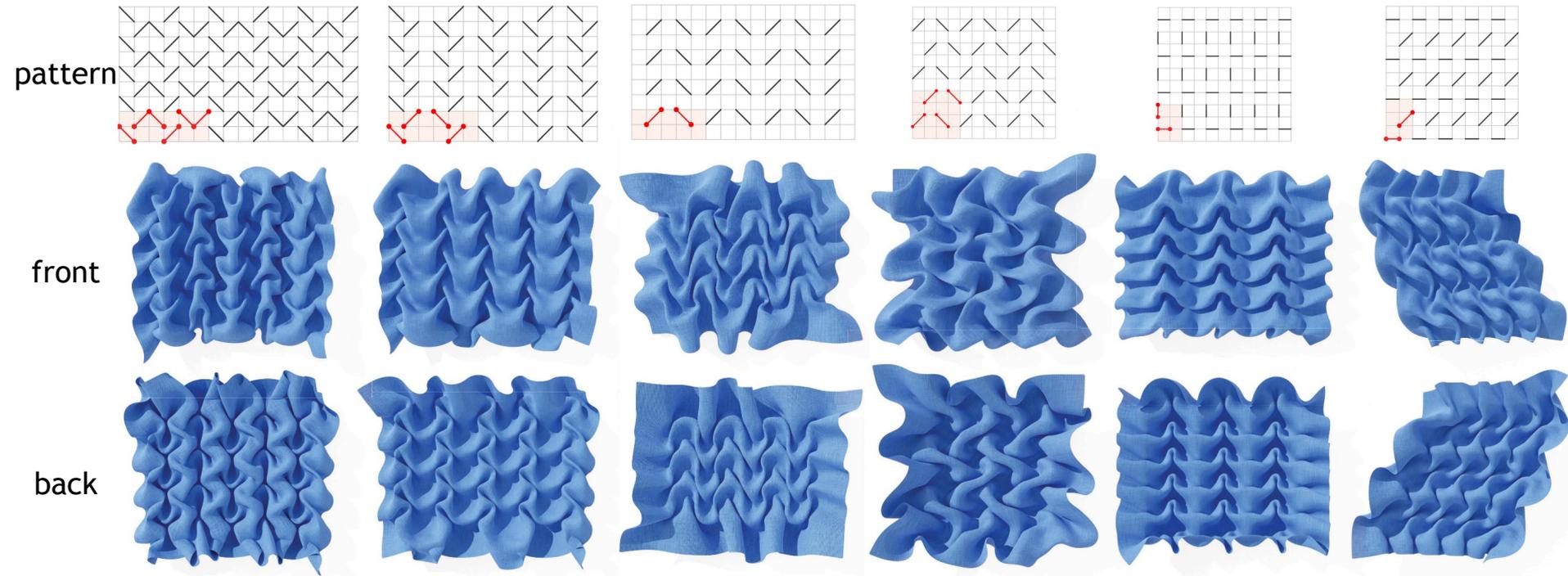
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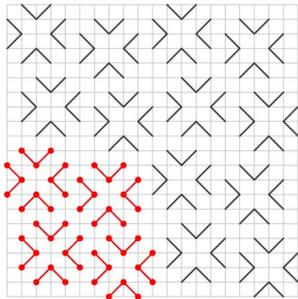
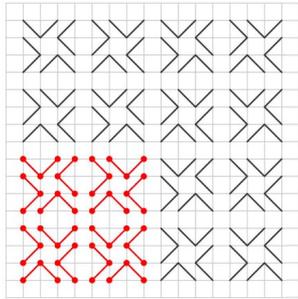
- ❖ Faster convergence
- ❖ Better local minima
- ❖ More realistic results

Our results

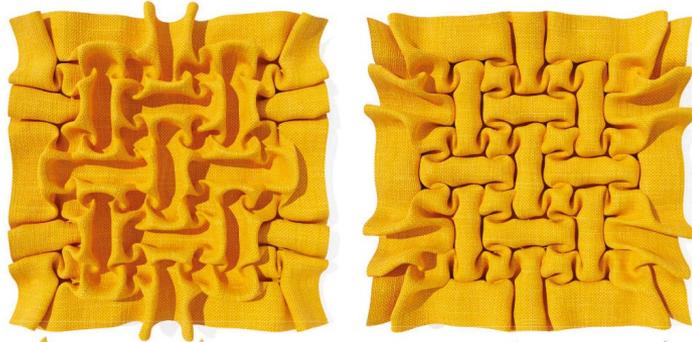


Our results vs. fabrications

smocking pattern



our results



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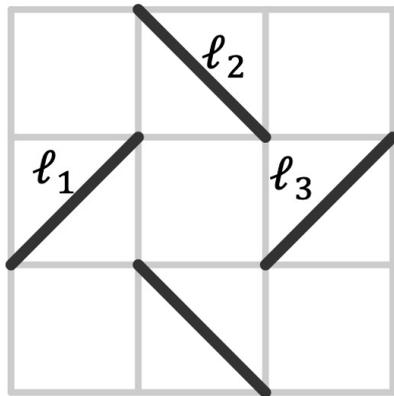
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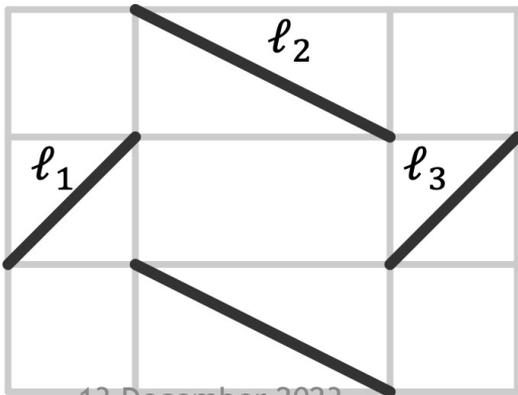
Observations : Underconstrained Pattern



$$d_{1,2} = 1, d_{2,3} = 1, d_{1,3} = \sqrt{2}$$

We can embed ℓ_i at x_i such that:

$$\|x_i - x_j\| = d_{i,j}$$



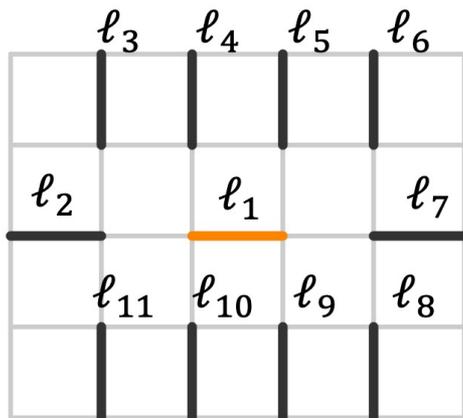
$$d_{1,2} = 1, d_{2,3} = 1, d_{1,3} = \sqrt{5}$$

We have:

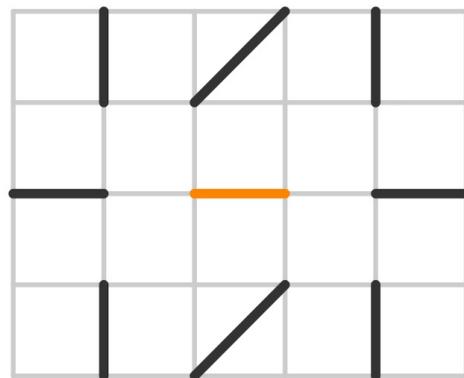
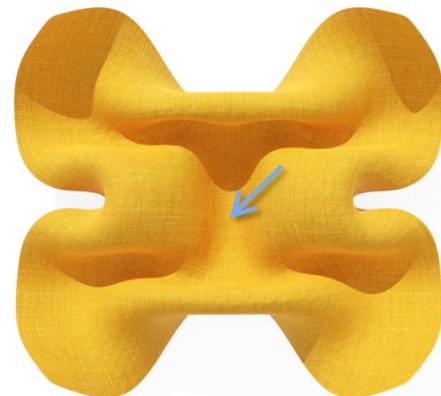
$$\begin{aligned} \|x_1 - x_3\| &\leq d_{1,2} + d_{2,3} = 2 \\ &< d_{1,3} = \sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$



Observations : Overconstrained Pattern



Impossible to embed ℓ_i at $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that:
 $\|x_i - x_j\| = d_{i,j}$



Well-constrained example



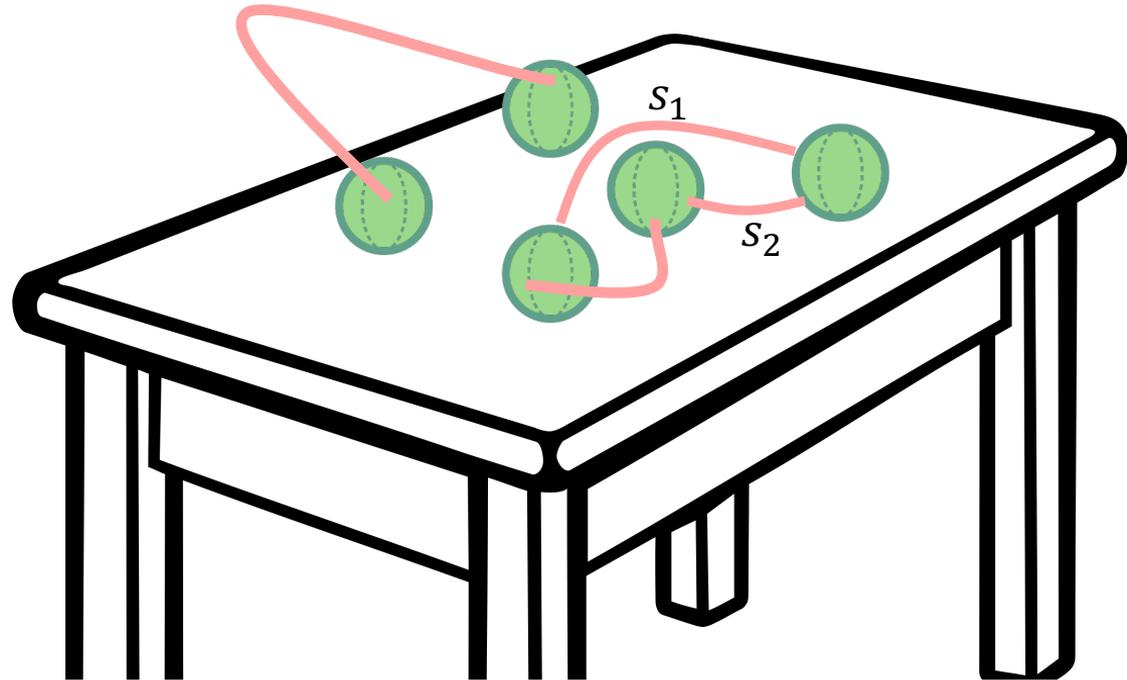
... are all constraints necessary?

$$\max_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{i \neq j} \|x_i - x_j\|$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|x_i - x_j\| \leq d_{i,j} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

equivalent setting

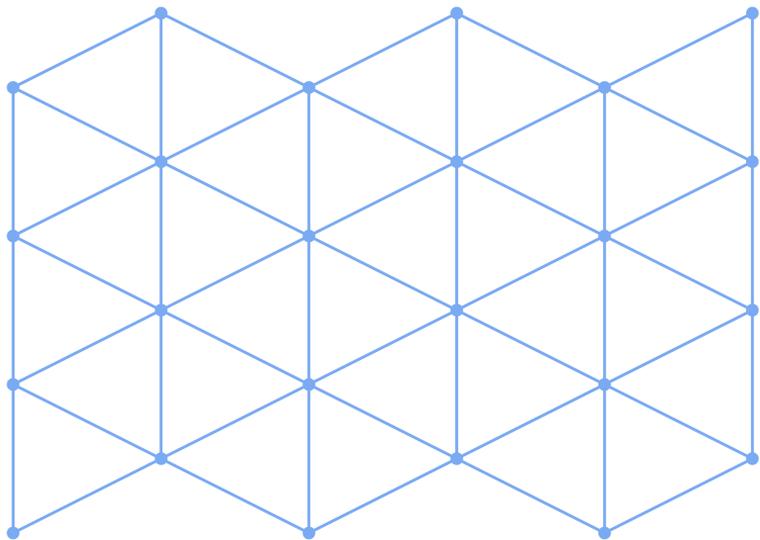
- ❖ a set of balls can move around
- ❖ fragile string connecting balls with length $d_{i,j}$



⚡ s_2 will break before s_1 is pulled taut

Methodology : two-stage solver

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^2} \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}_u} (\|x_i - x_j\| - d_{i,j})^2$$



$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^3} \sum_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}_p} (\|x_i - x_j\| - d_{i,j})^2$$

