

From a Combinatorial Input to a Polyhedral Realization

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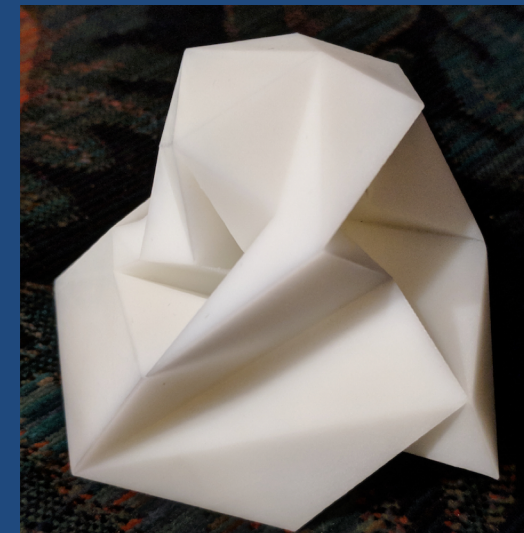
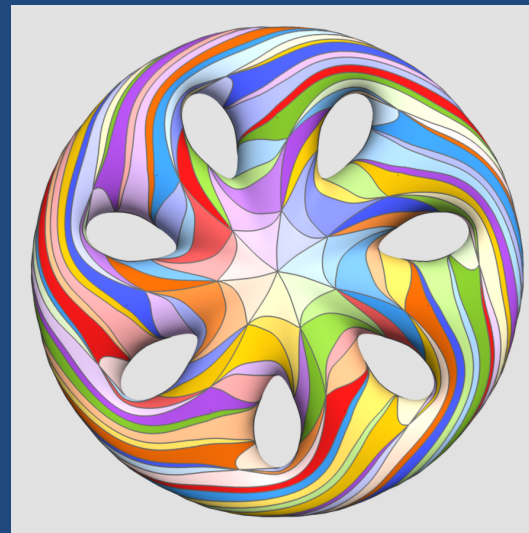
Michael Cuntz, Hannover, Germany

Gábor Gévay, Szeged, Hungary

CIRM, Marseille–Luminy, 2018

Hurwitz's Regular Map of Genus 7

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Combinatorial Input

→ Topological Realization

→ Polyhedral Realization

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3 – Spheres

Combinatorial spheres

Topological spheres

Geometric polyhedral spheres

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Point Line Configurations

Combinatorial

Topological pseudoline configurations,
rank 3 oriented matroids

Geometric

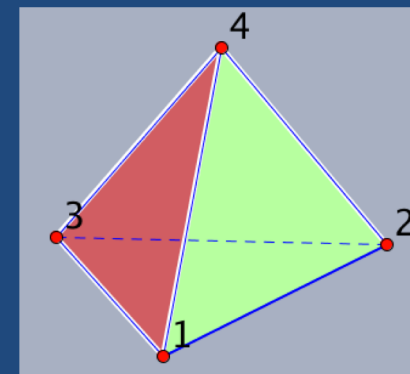
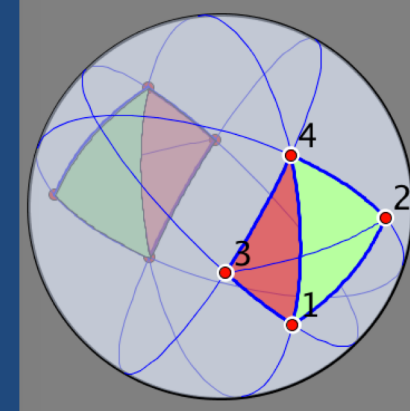
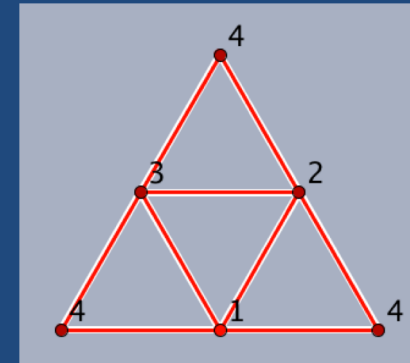
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2-manifolds

Combinatorial 2-manifolds

Topological visualizations

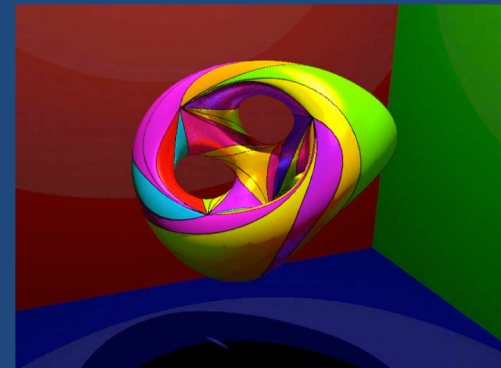
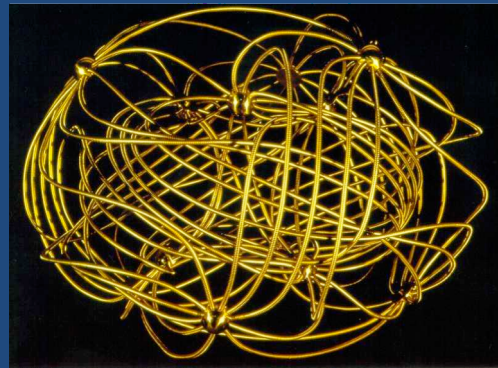
Geometric realizations
with flat cells and
without self-intersections



Example: 2-dimensional manifold,
genus 6, 44 triangles, 12 points

A first example of a non-realizable 2-manifold.

A. Guedes de Oliveira, J.B., 2000

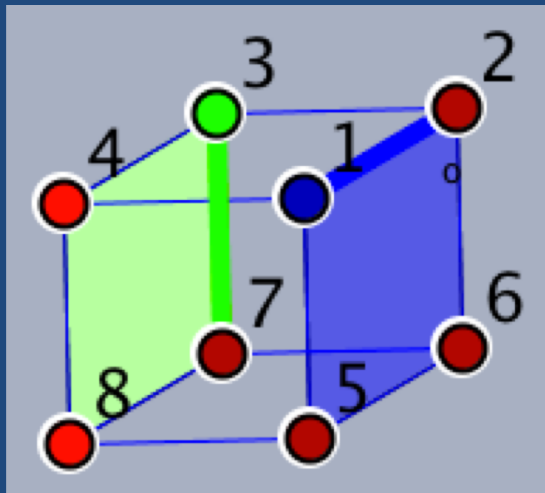


topological visualizations , J.B. & Carlo Sequin, Berkeley

All other 58 examples of this type are not realizable,

L. Schewe, 2006

A **regular map** is a decomposition of a **two dimensional manifold** into topological disks, such that every flag can be transformed into any other flag by a **symmetry of the decomposition**.



Flag 1: $(\{1\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,2,6,5\})$

Flag 2: $(\{3\}, \{3,7\}, \{3,7,8,4\})$

F. Klein,

Über die Transformation siebenter Ordnung der elliptischen Funktionen.

Math. Ann. 14 (1879), 428-471.

W. Dyck,

Notiz über eine reguläre Riemannsche Fläche vom Geschlecht 3
und die zugehörige Normalkurve 4. Ordnung.

Math. Ann. 17 (1880), 510 – 516.

A. Hurwitz,

Über algebraische Gebilde mit eindeutigen Transformationen in sich,

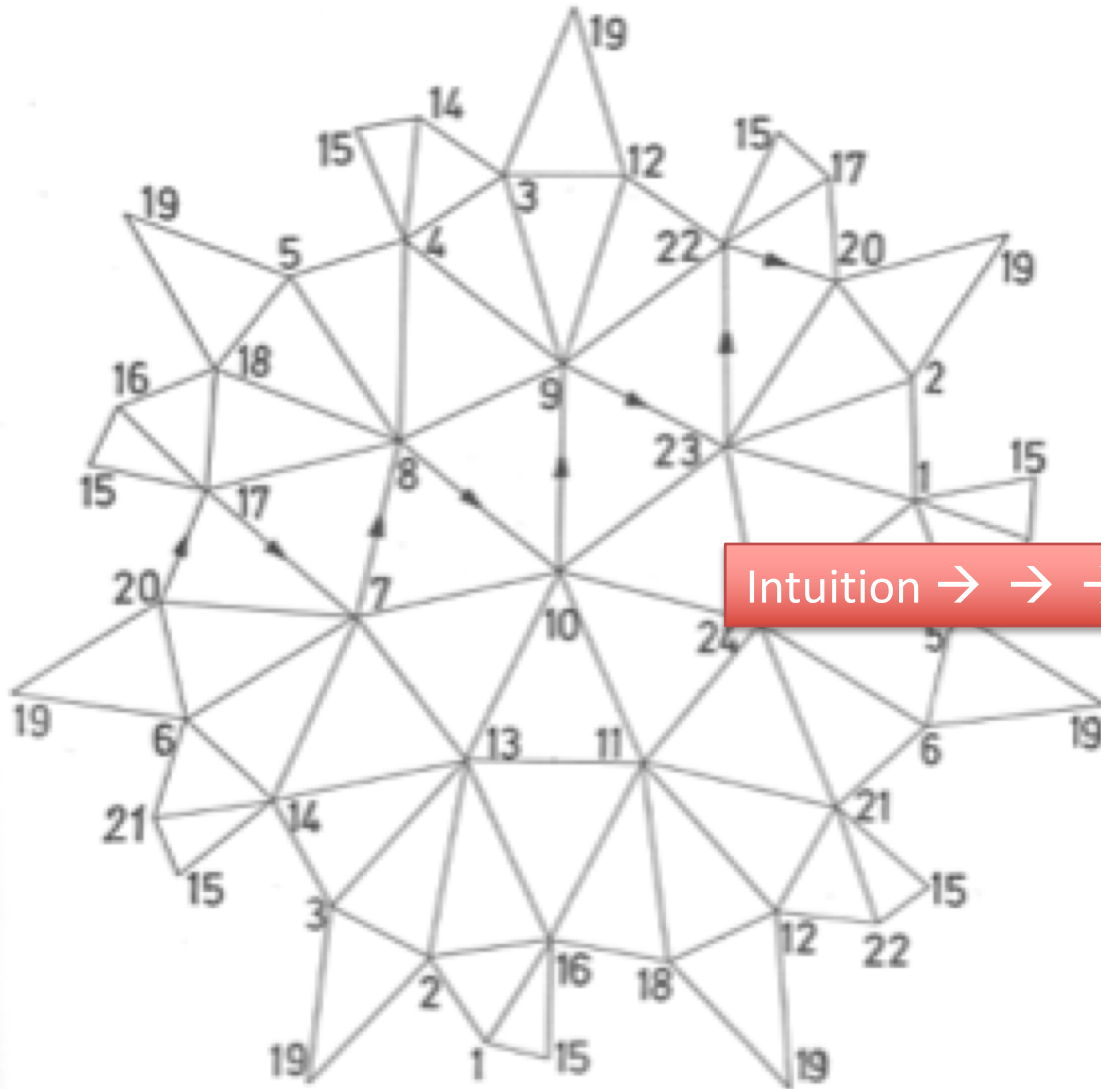
Math. Annalen 41(1893), 403 -442.

E. Schulte and J. M. Wills,

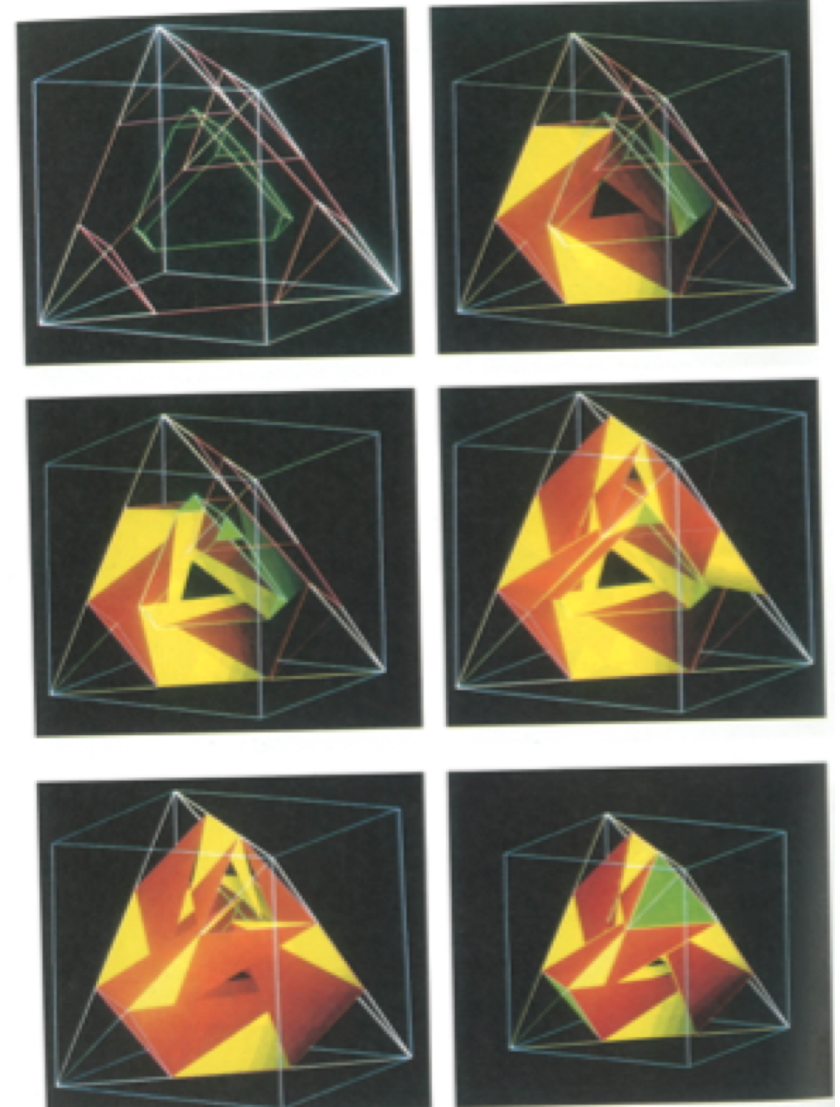
Geometric realizations for Dyck's regular map on a surface of genus 3.

Discr. Comp. Geom. 1 (1986), 141 – 153.

Polyhedral regular map $\{3,7\}_8$
of Felix Klein
Jörg M. Wills and Egon Schulte



Intuition → → →



Felix Klein's map $\{3,7\}_8$ of genus 3. Successive steps to understand the shape of the polyhedron

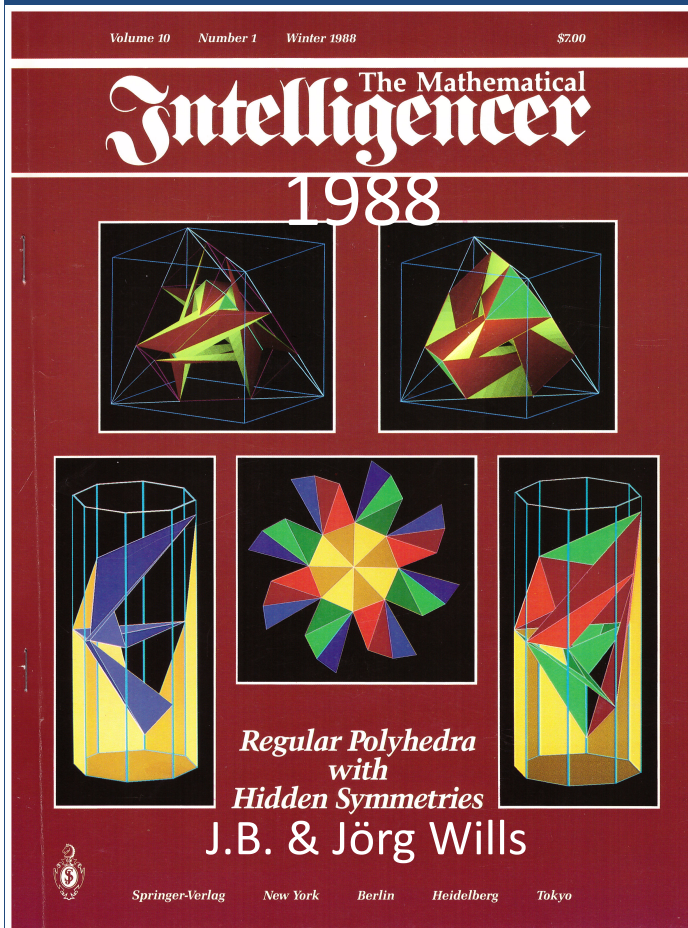
A. Hurwitz 1893

(A. Macbeath 1965)

F. Klein 1884

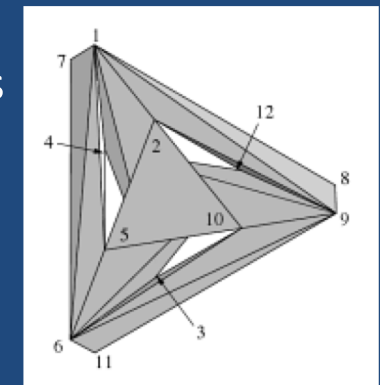
W. Dyck 1880

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First polyhedral regular map
of Walther Dyck $\{3,8\}_6$
J.B.

Symmetrical polyhedral
version of Walther Dyck's
regular map $\{3,8\}_8$
U. Brehm



Regular Maps

Combinatorial

M. Conder, P. Dobcsányi,

“Determination of all regular maps of small genus“, 2001

R3.2 : Dyck's regular map

Type {3,8}_6 Order 192 $mV = 1$ $mF = 1$

Defining relations for automorphism group: [

 $T^2, R^{-3}, (R * S)^2, (R * T)^2, (S * T)^2, S^8, (S * R^{-1} * S)^3$]

R3.1: Felix Klein's map

Type {3,7}_8 Order 336 $mV = 1$ $mF = 1$

Defining relations for automorphism group: [

 $T^2, R^{-3}, (R * S)^2, (R * T)^2, (S * T)^2, S^{-7}, (R * S^{-2})^4$]

R7.1: Hurwitz's regular map

Type {3,7}_18 Order 1008 $mV = 1$ $mF = 1$

Defining relations for automorphism group: [

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Regular Maps

Topological visualization, computer graphics

Jarke J. van Wijk, Visualizations of regular maps, 2009.

Carlo H, Sequin, My Search for Symmetrical Embeddings of Regular Maps.

Faniry Razafindrazaka & Konrad Polthier, FU Berlin
Regular Surfaces and Regular Maps

Jarke J. van Wijk (2014), TU Eindhoven
Topological visualization of Hurwitz's regular map



Computer graphics
Visualizations of regular maps
by Jarke van Wijk,

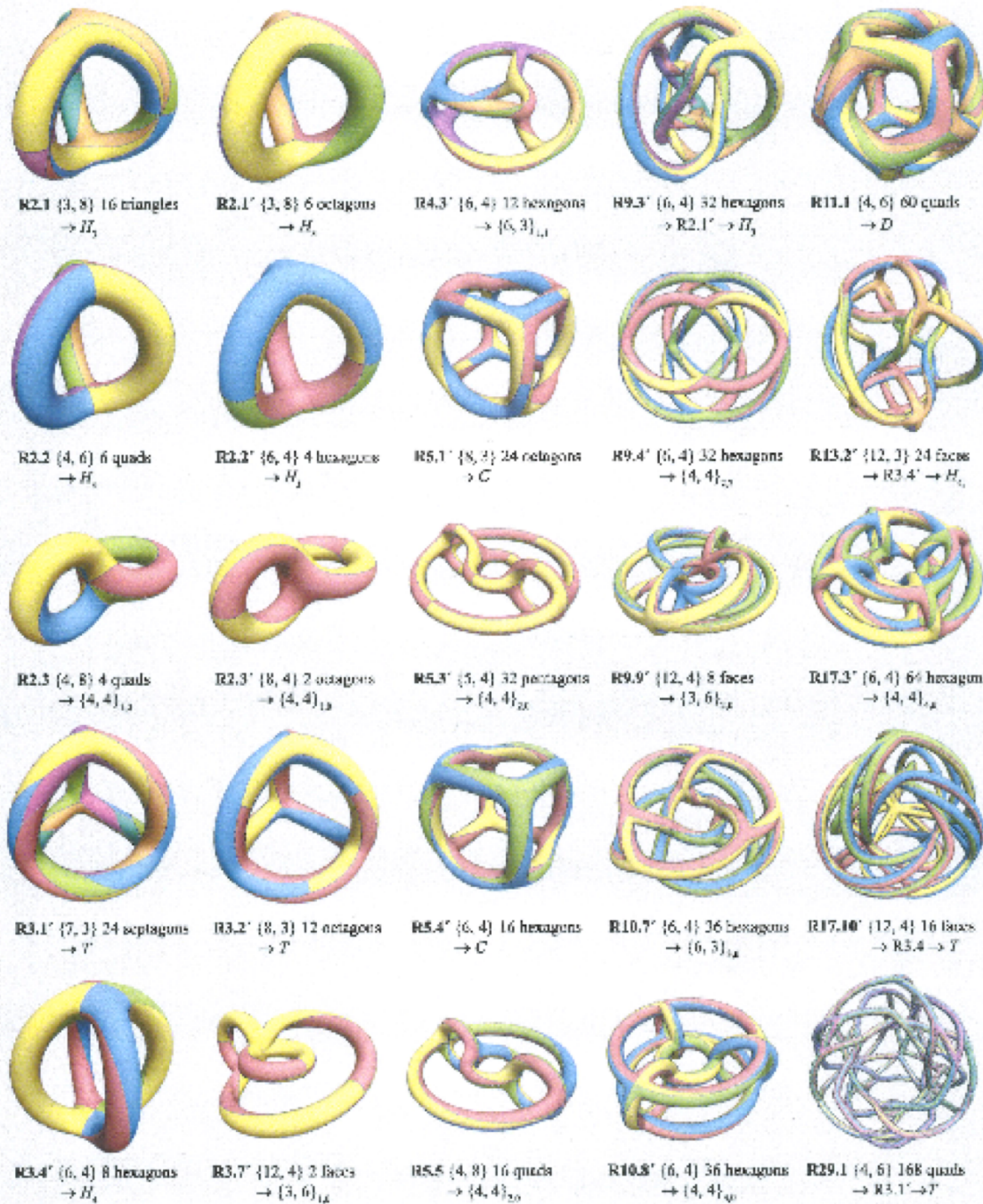
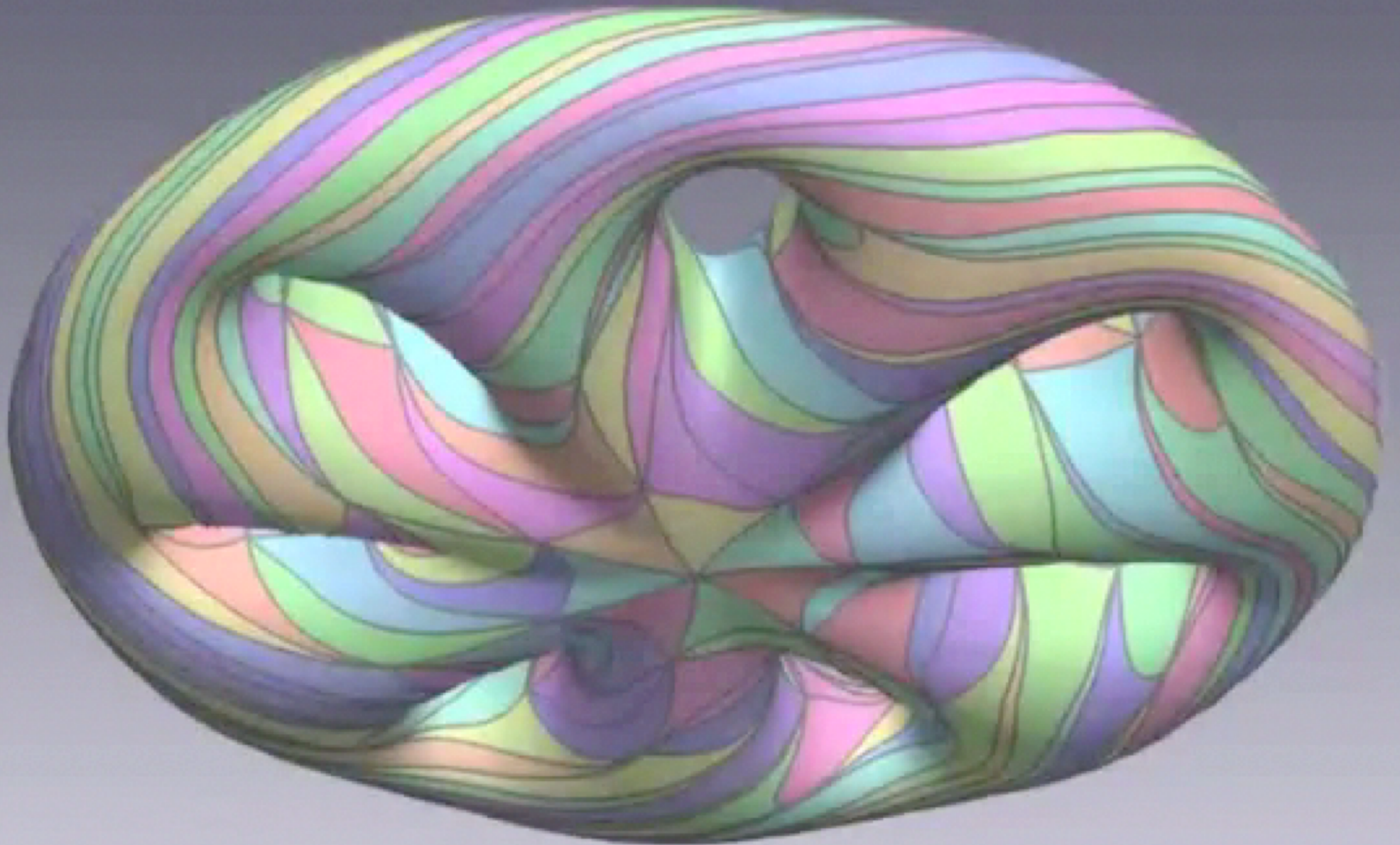


Figure 14: Space models of regular maps. $R_{p,q}$ are the labels of Coxeter and Dynes, where q is the genus; $\{p, q\}$ is the Schläfli symbol: faces have p sides and q of them meet in a vertex. The second line describes the mapping used to produce the space model. Here T , C , D , and H_n refer to a Tetrahedron, Cube, Dodecahedron and Hypocuboid with n holes, and $\{p, q\}_{r,s}$ refers to a torus.

Jarke J. van Wijk (2014), TU Eindhoven
Topological visualization of Hurwitz's regular map



Hurwitz's Regular Map {3,7}_18

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$$7 \times 144 = 7 \times 12 \times 12$$

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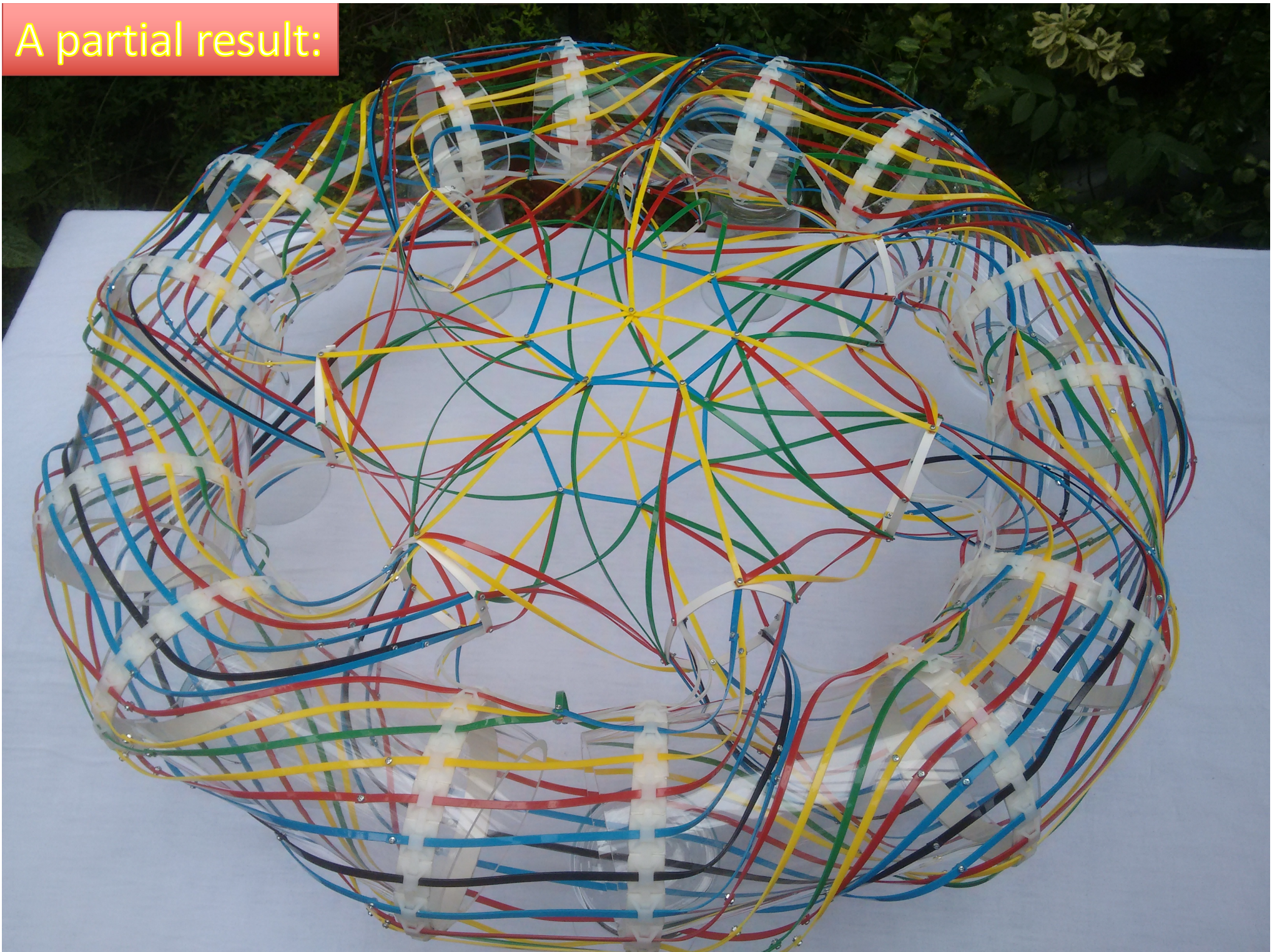
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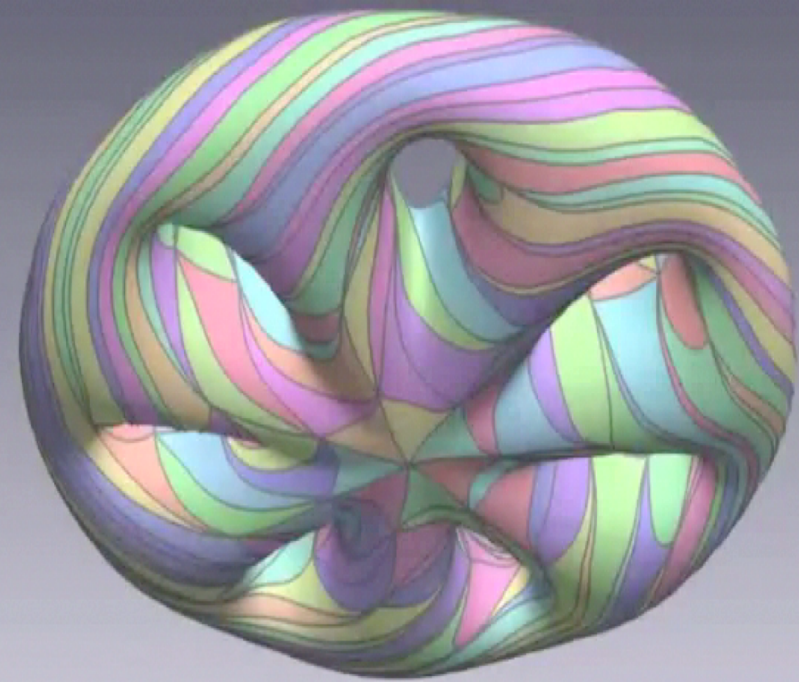
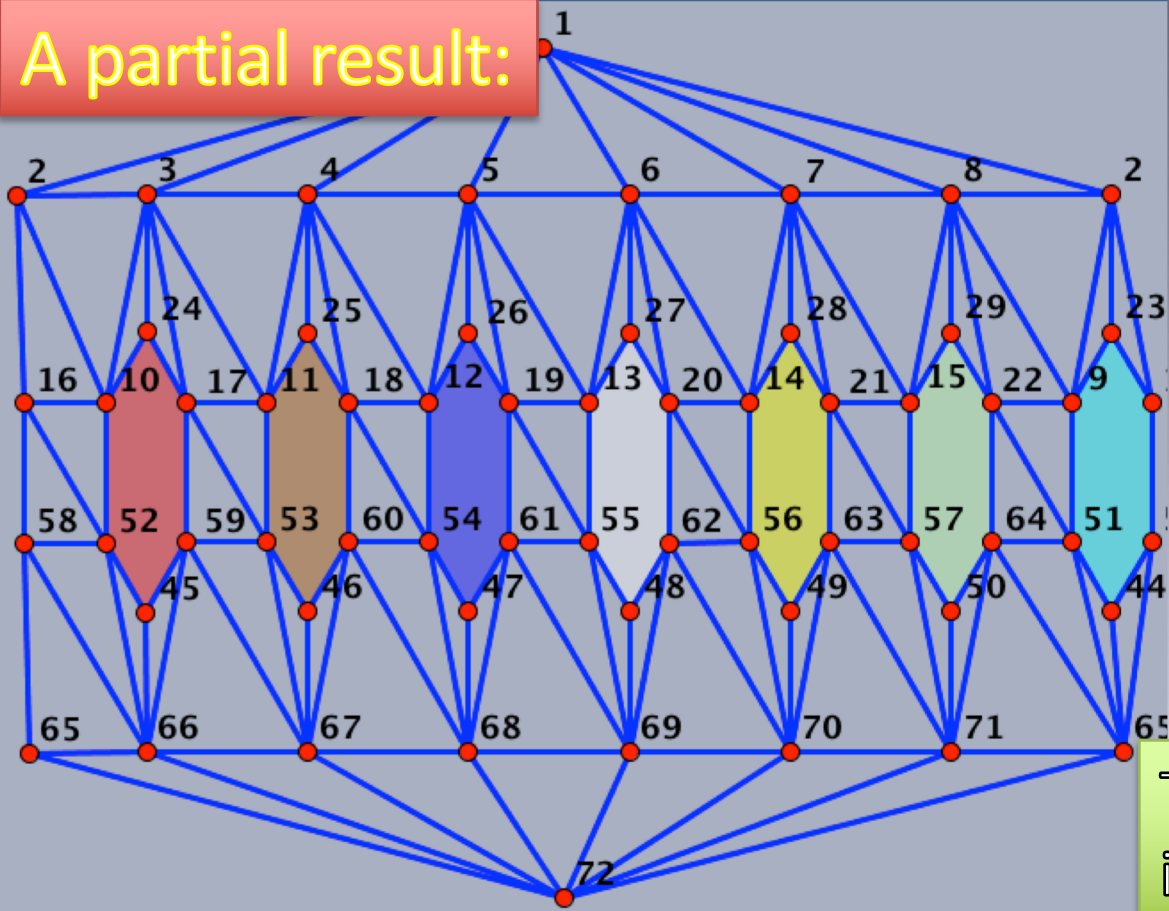
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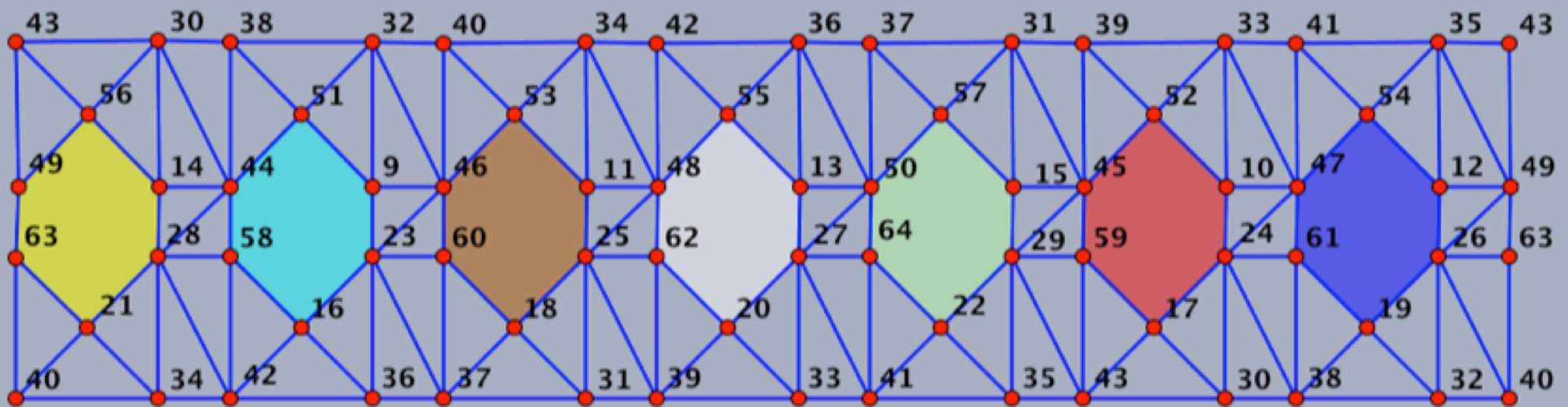
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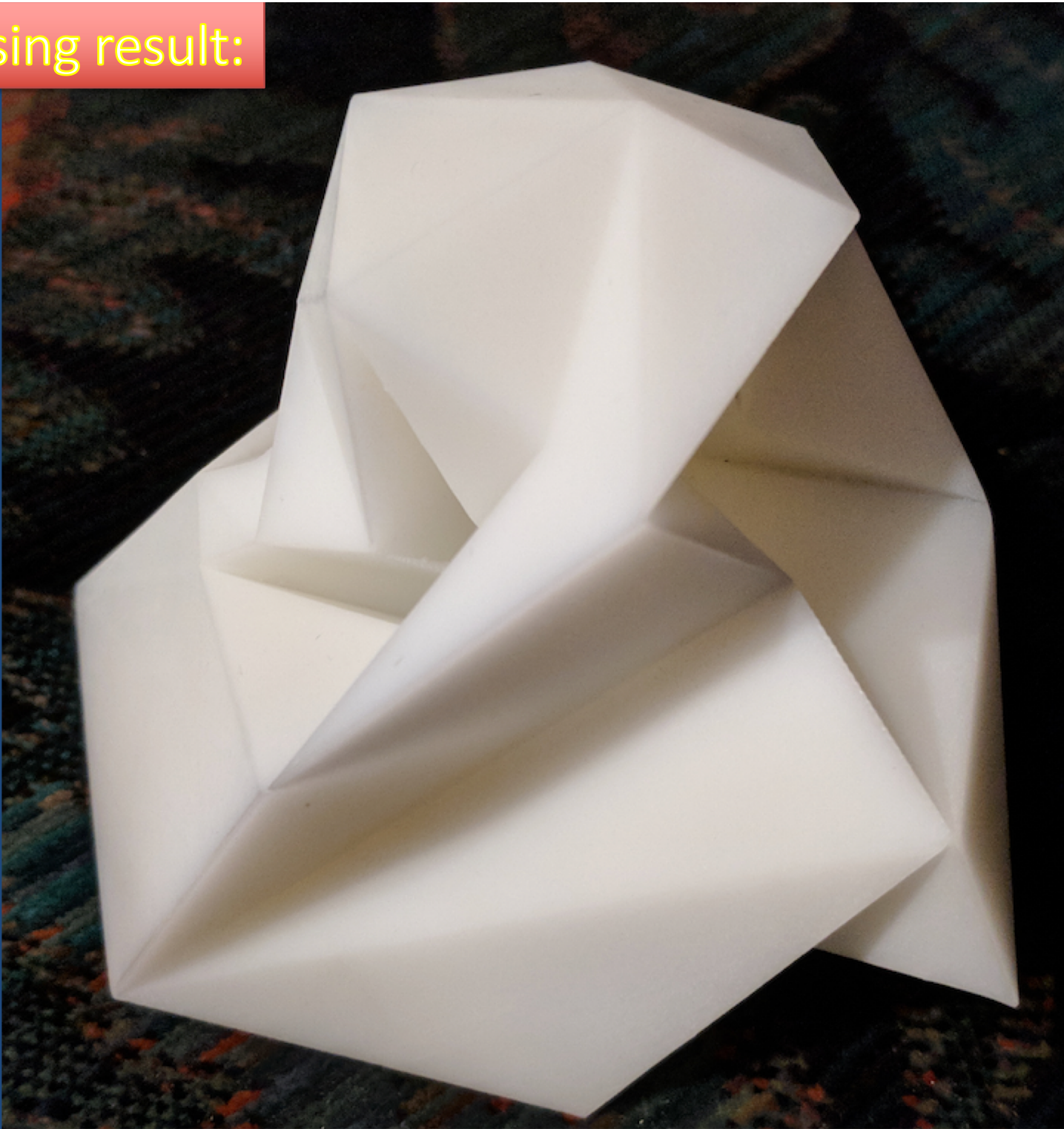
The genus 7 surface splitted into a 2-sphere and a torus



Summary of my talk in Berlin 2017

Investigation with Michael Cuntz, Hannover
resulted in a very strong conjecture that
Hurwitz's regular map $\{3,7\}$ has no polyhedral realization

A surprising result:



Methods for Geometric Realization Problems

use topological models

use oriented matroids

use symmetries

use try and error methods

use related realizations

use partial realizations

use a dynamical geometric software like Cinderella

use the software Magma or GAP for symmetry investigations

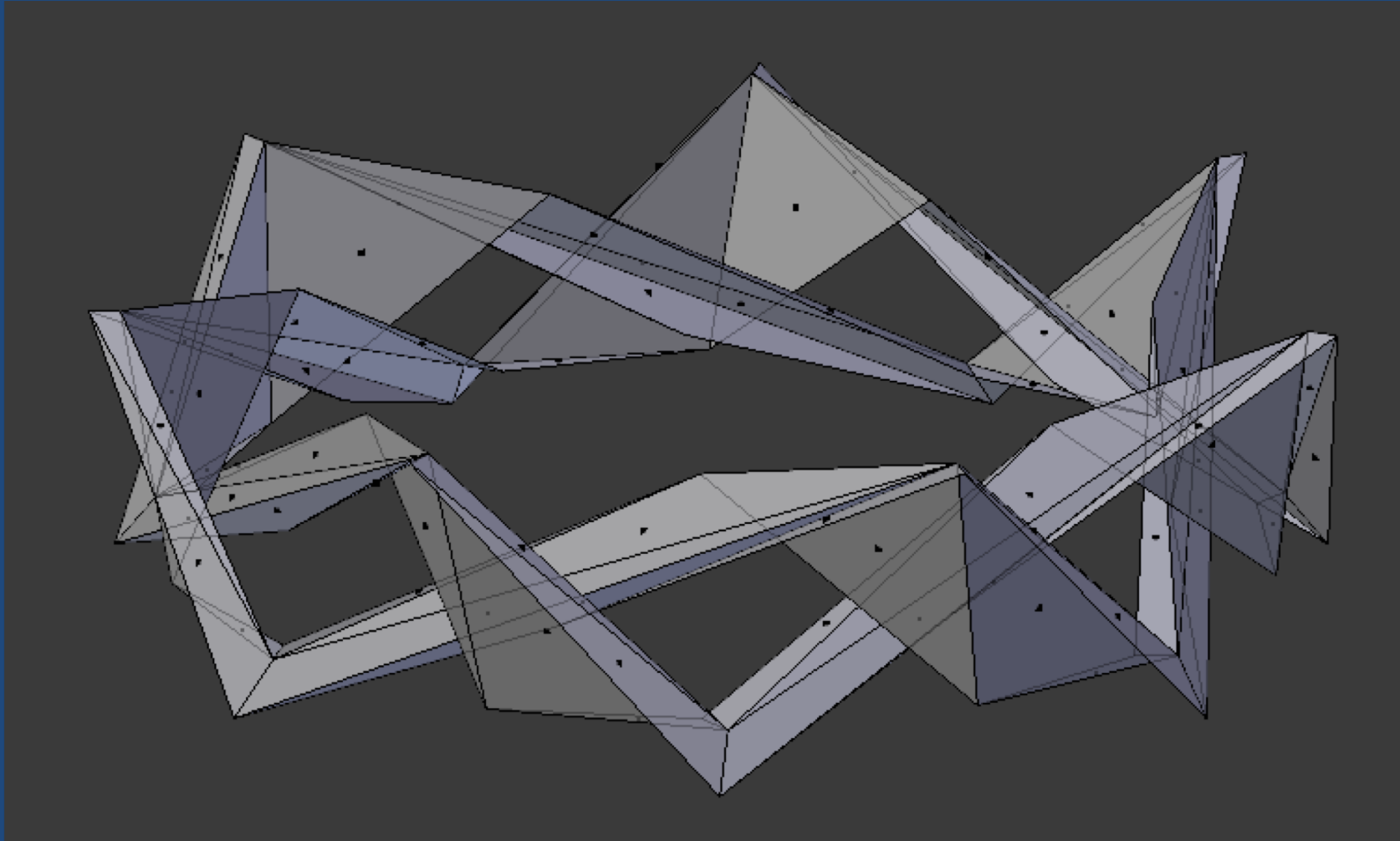
use models instead or in addition to computer graphics

use functional programming for combinatorial support

use intuition

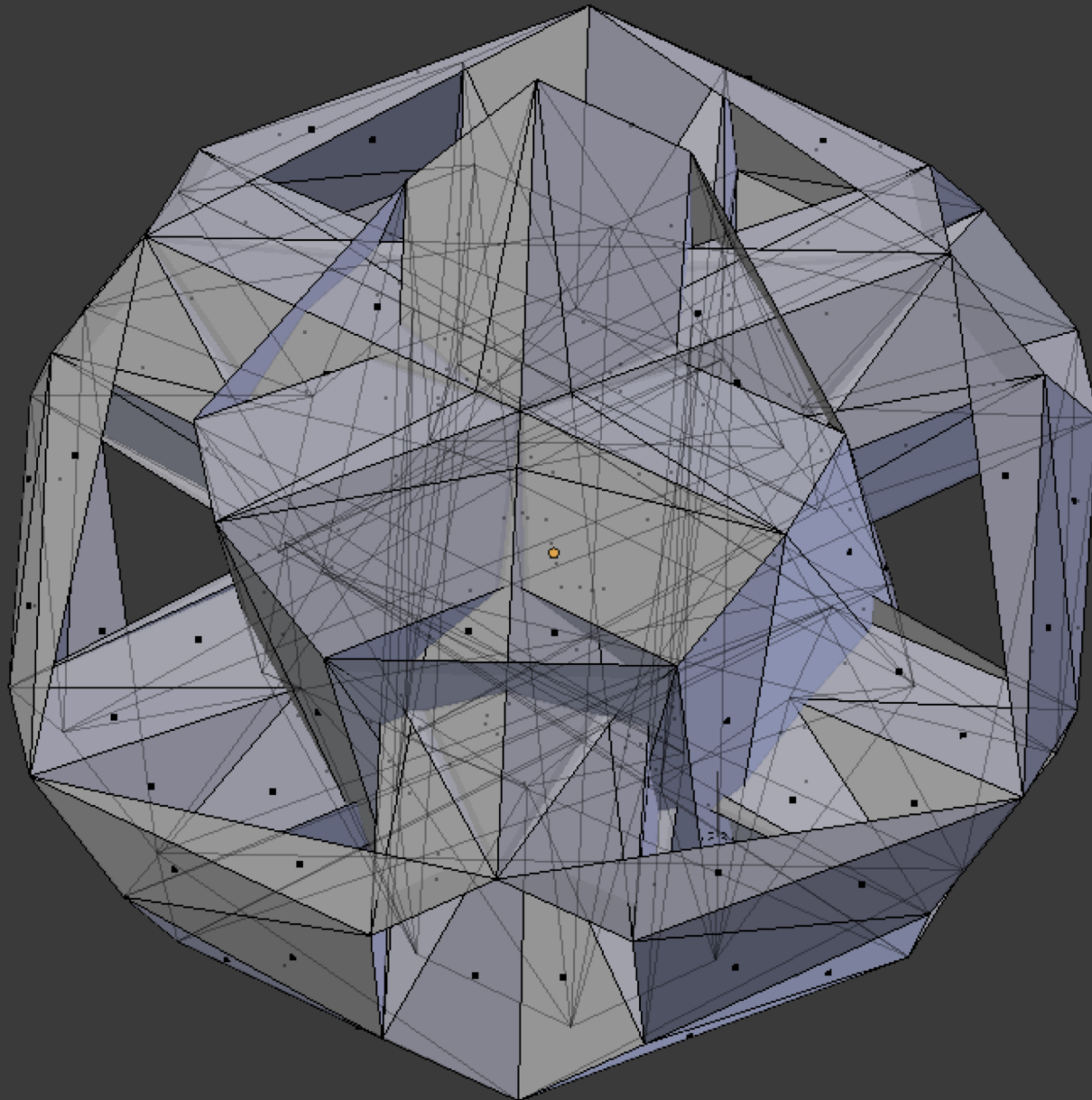
don't be frustrated when you find no solution.

Search for symmetric realizations



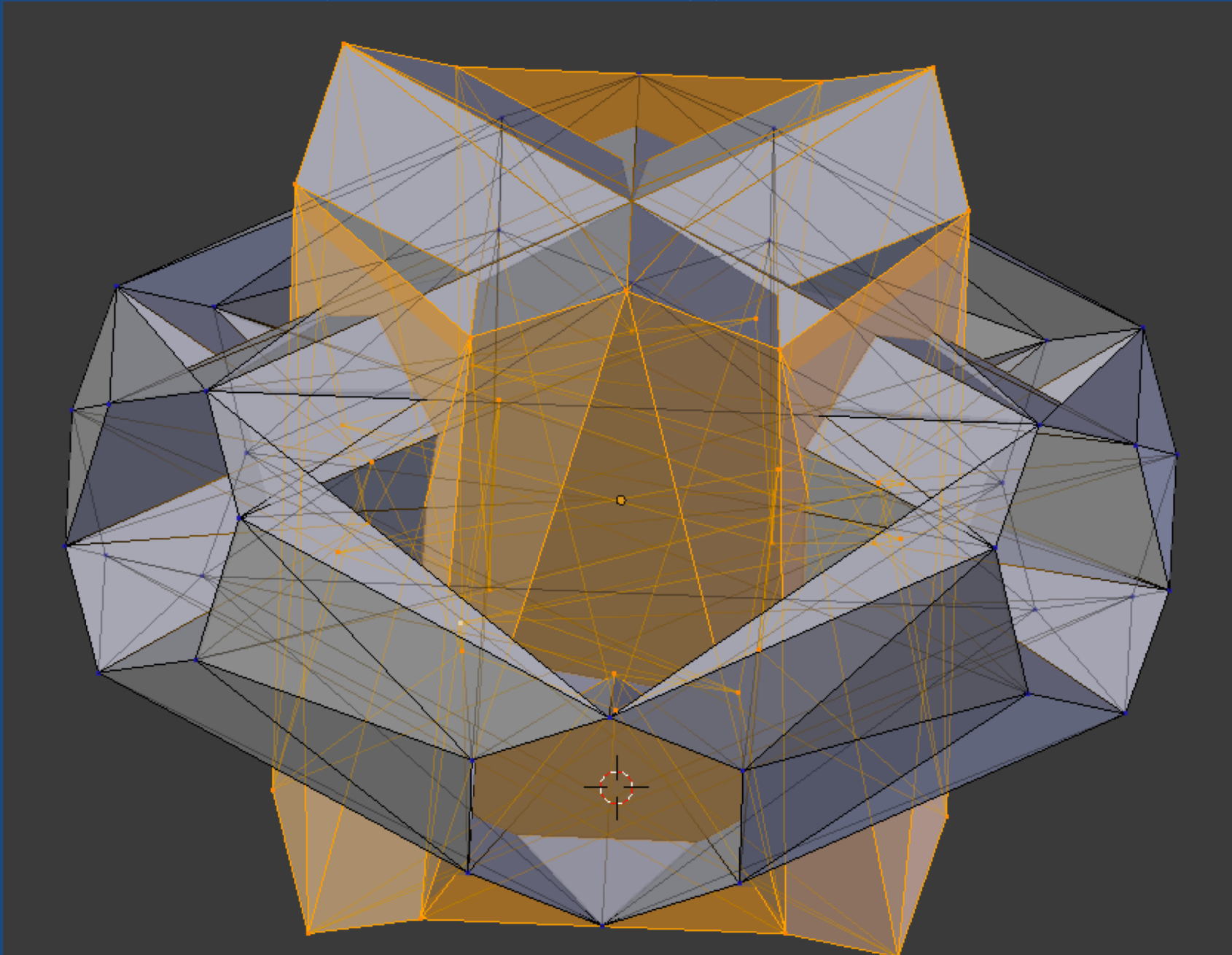
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Kepler-Poinsot type models



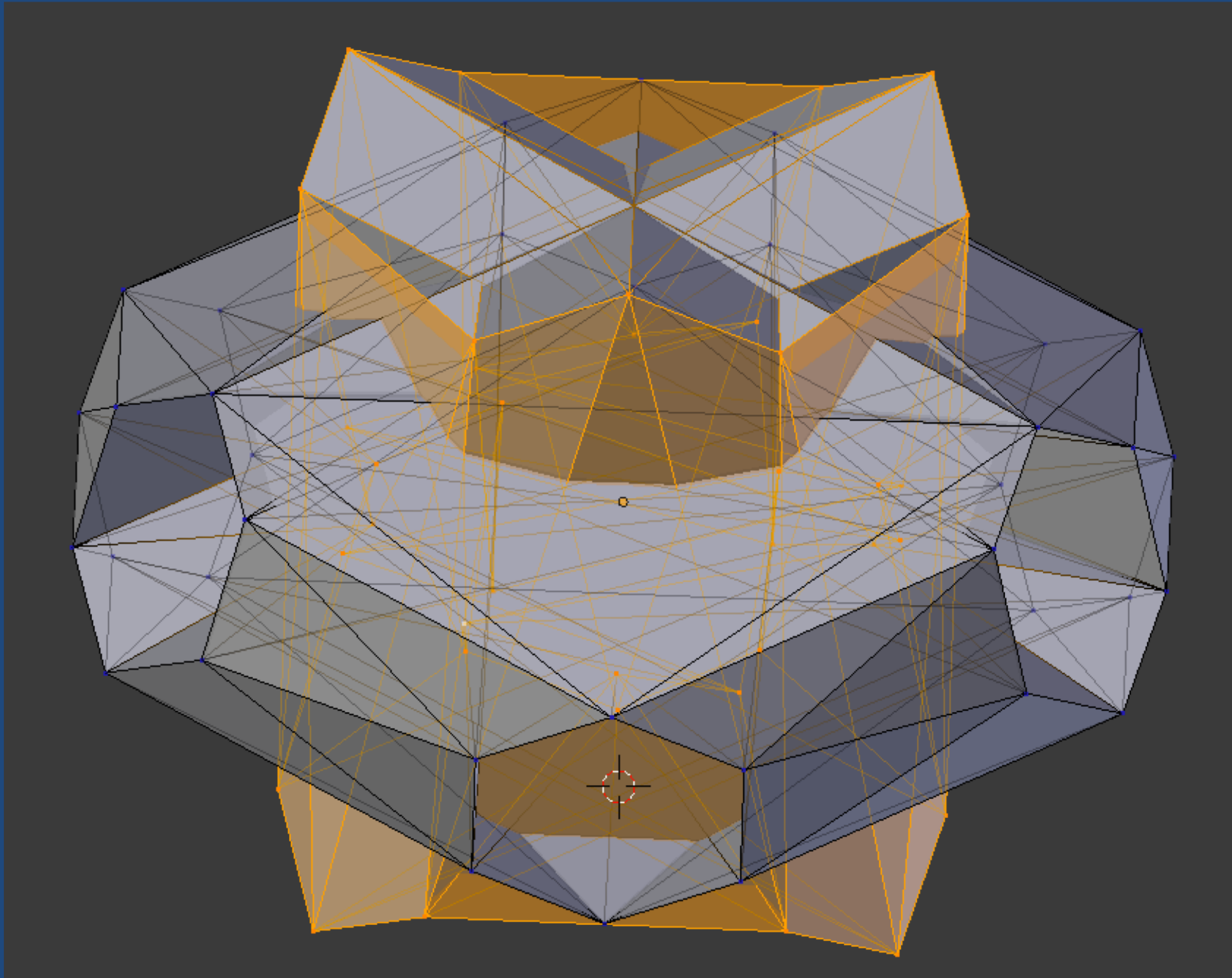
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Who is familiar with the powerful
Blender software ?

