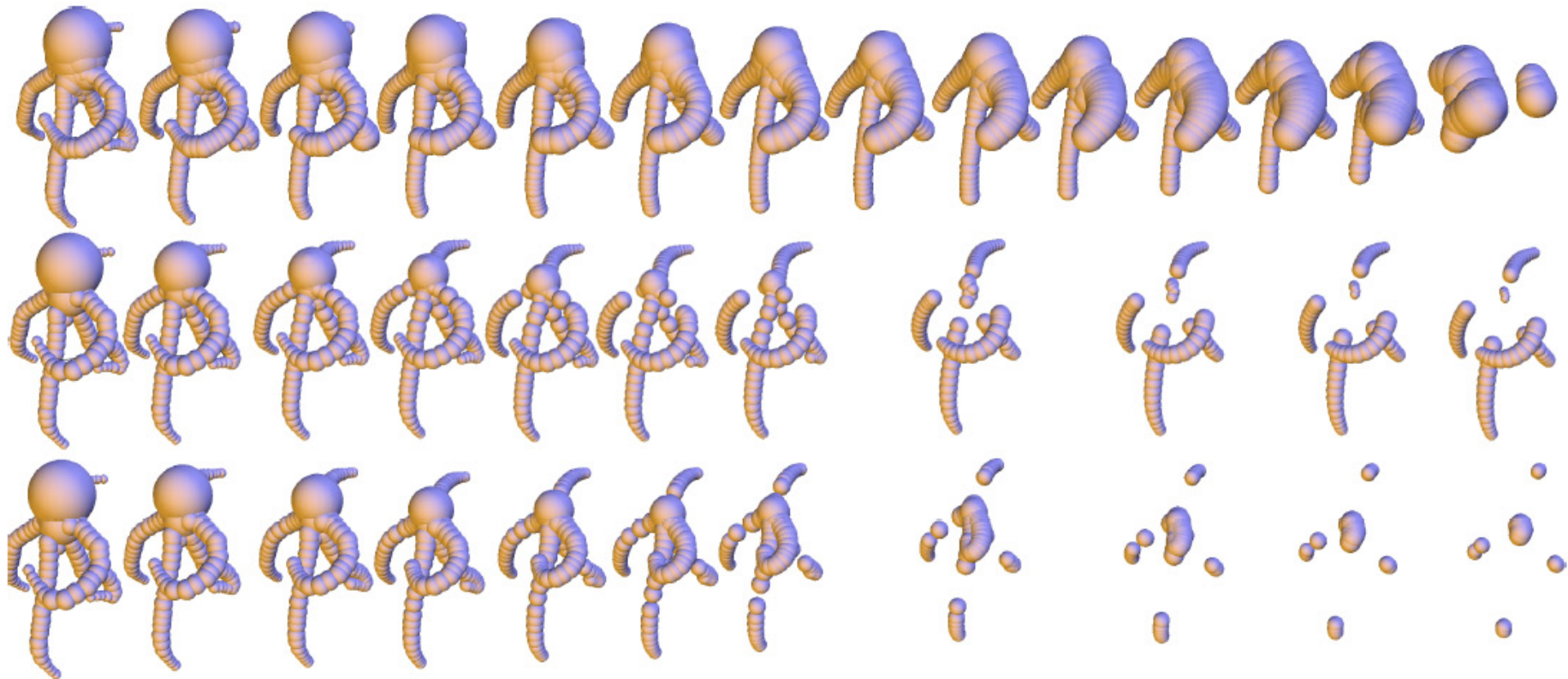


# Scale-Space for Unions of 3D Balls

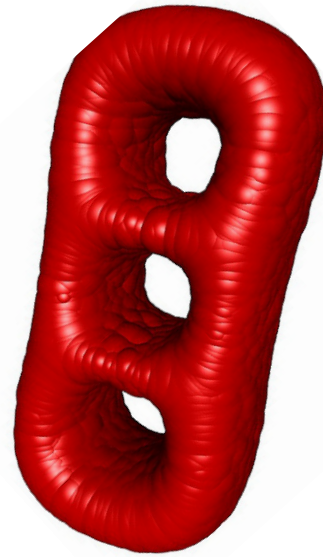
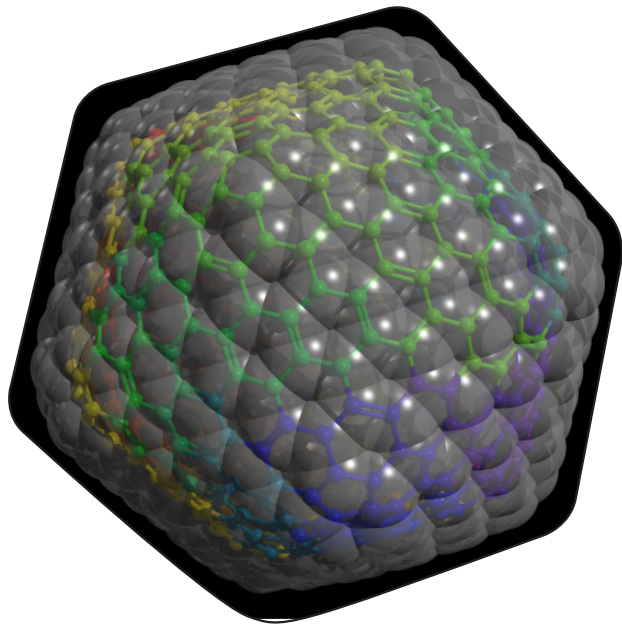
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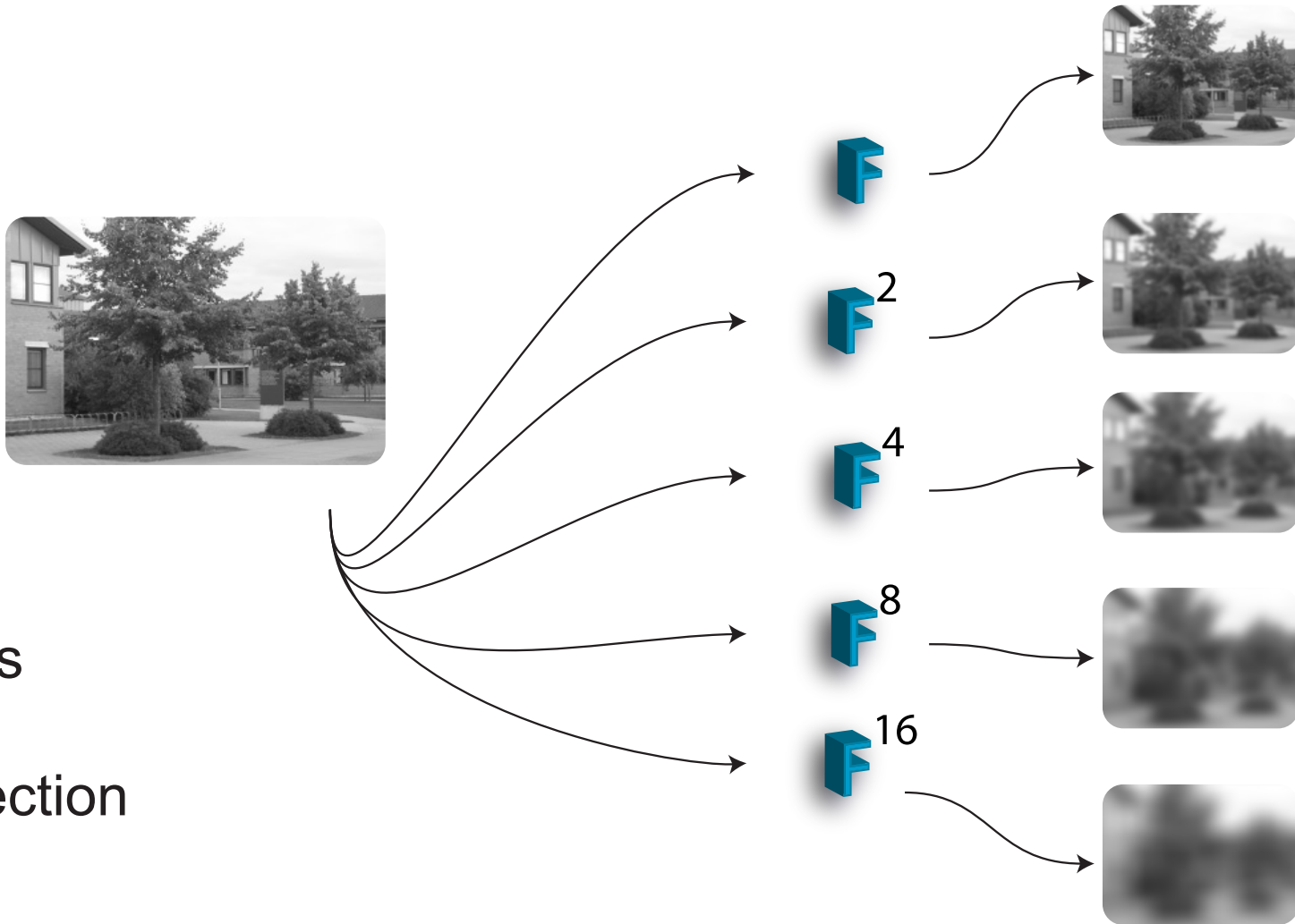


# Union of balls



Related with point sets

# Scale Space

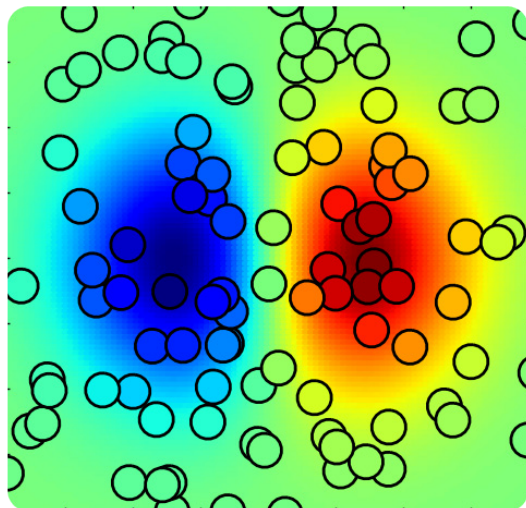
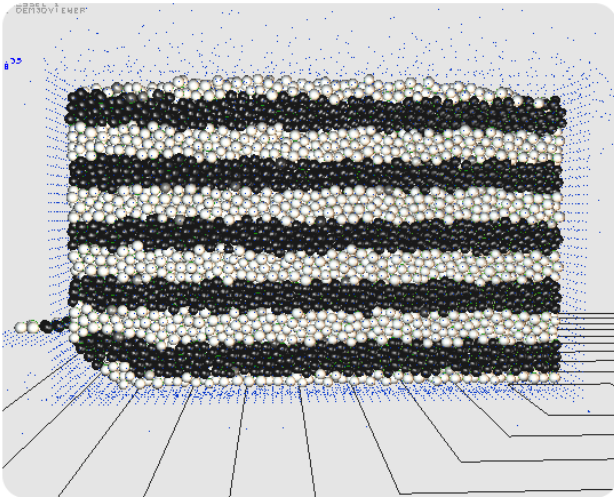


Applications  
Vision  
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# Union of Balls Scale Space Applications

Point sets  
RBF  
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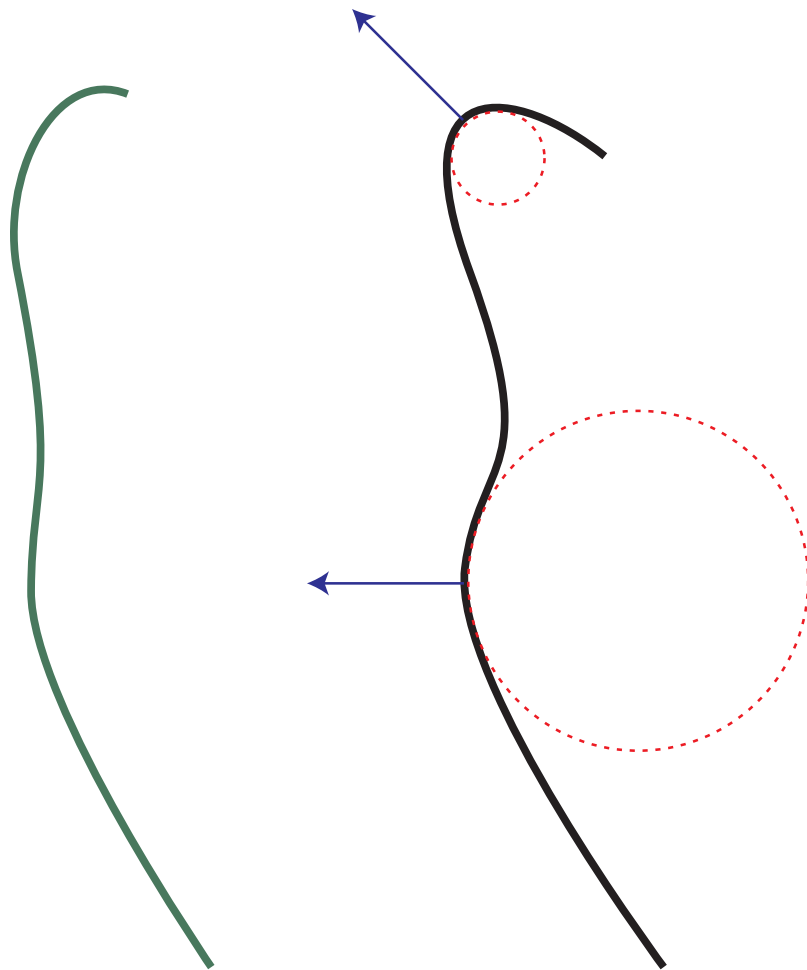


Multi-scale feature  
detection/classification

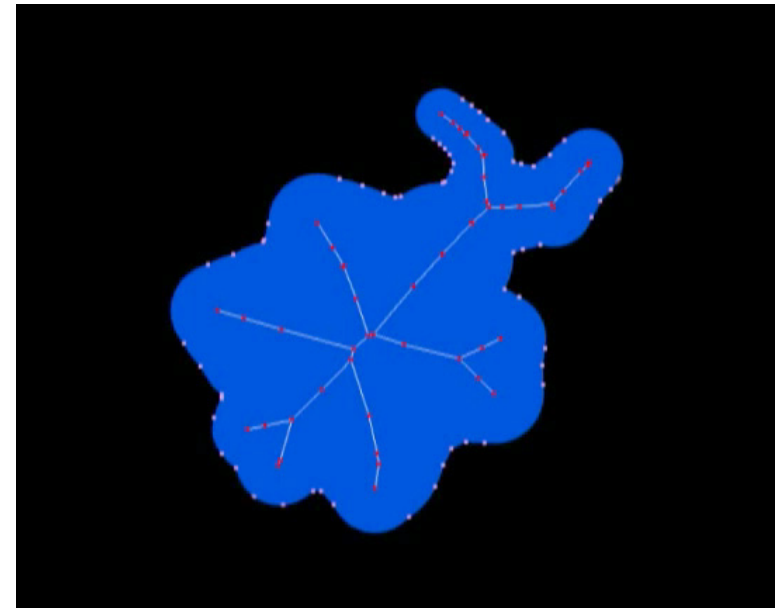




# 2d Curvature Motion



$$Q_t(s, t) = \underbrace{K(s, t)}_{\text{Curvature}} \underbrace{\overrightarrow{N(s, t)}}_{\text{normal}}$$

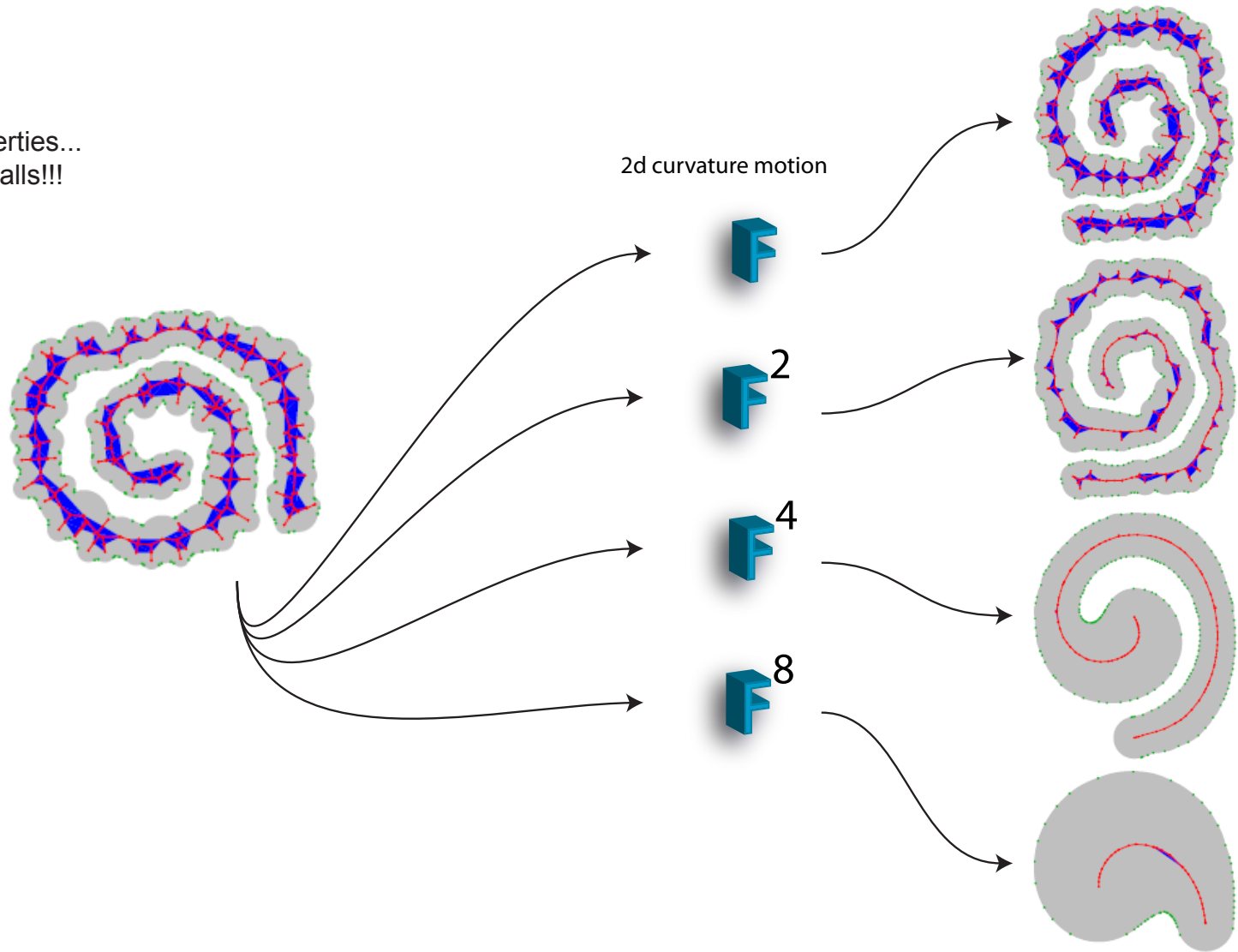


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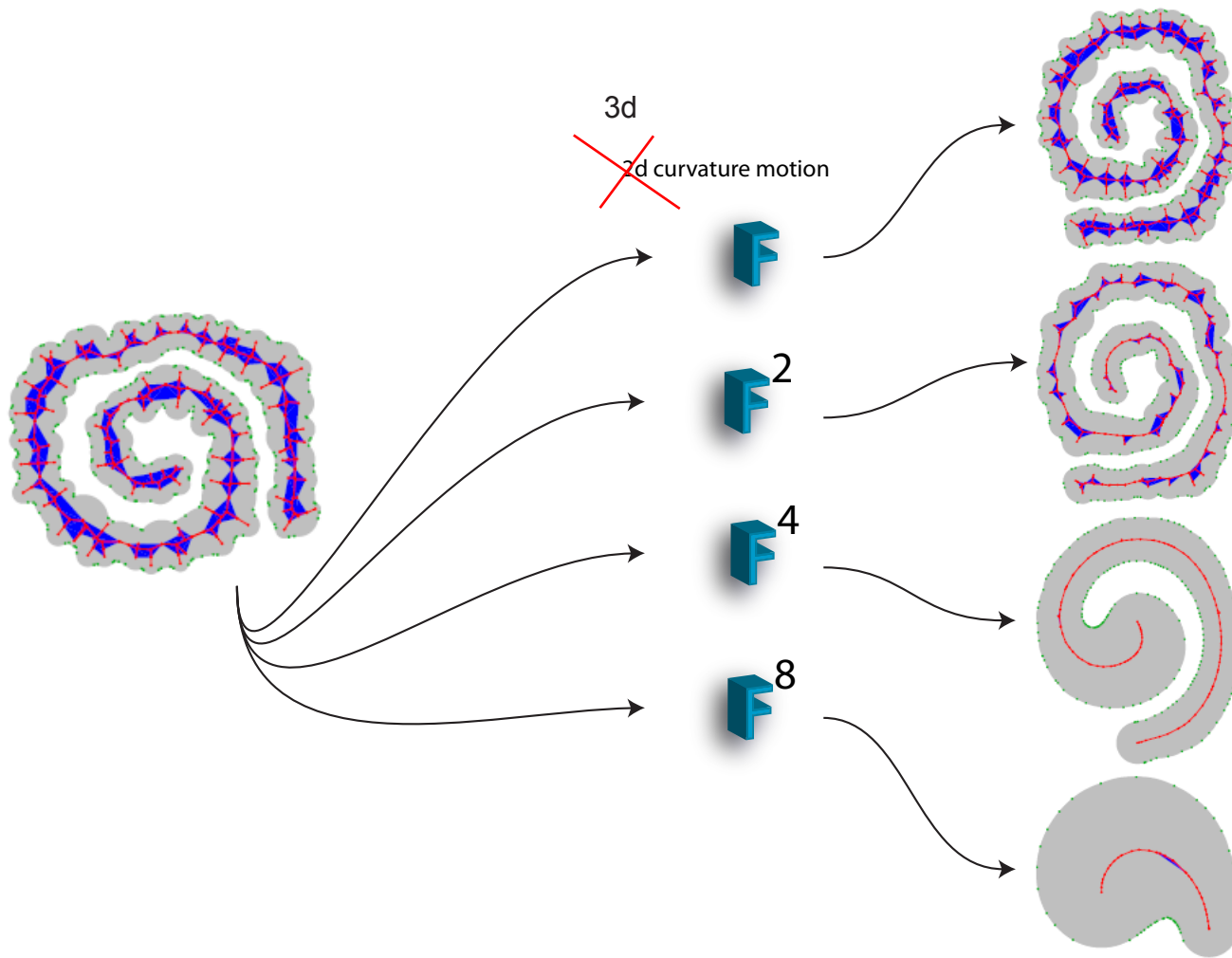
# 2d Curvature Motion

Nice properties...  
Work on balls!!!



# 3d Curvature Motion ... problems...

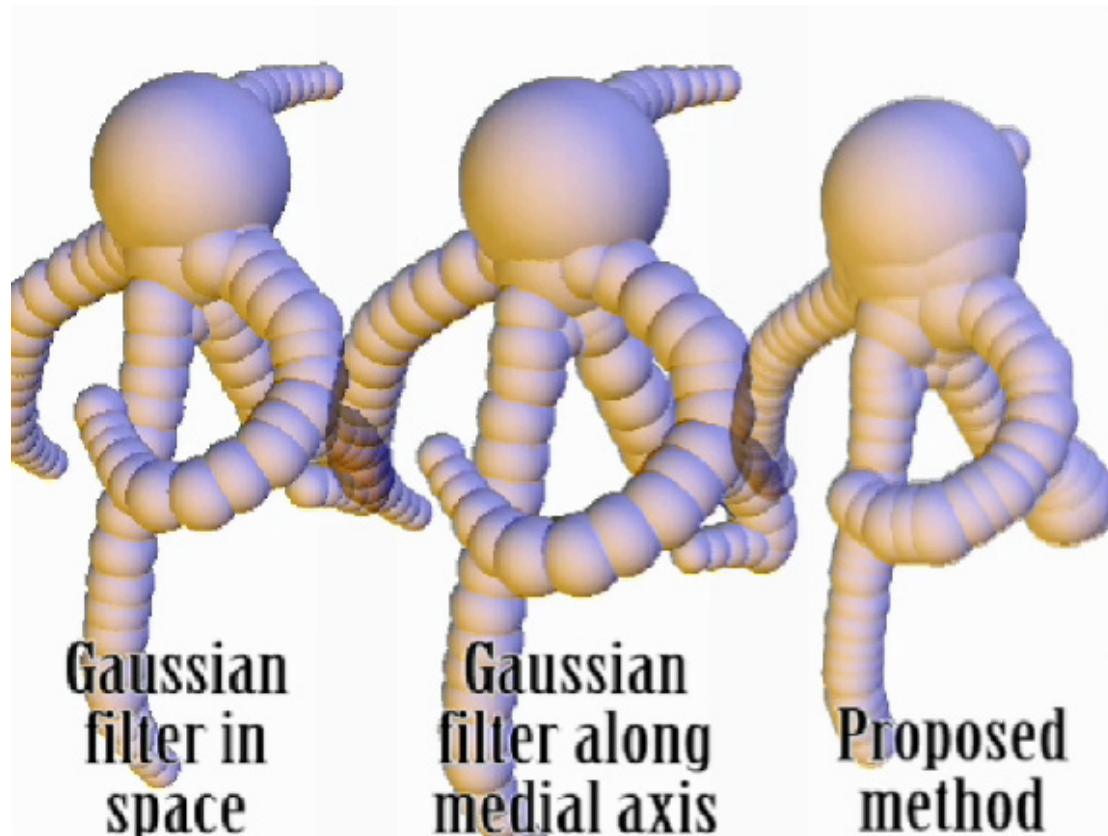
Nice properties...  
Work on 2d balls!!!



Min Mean Max

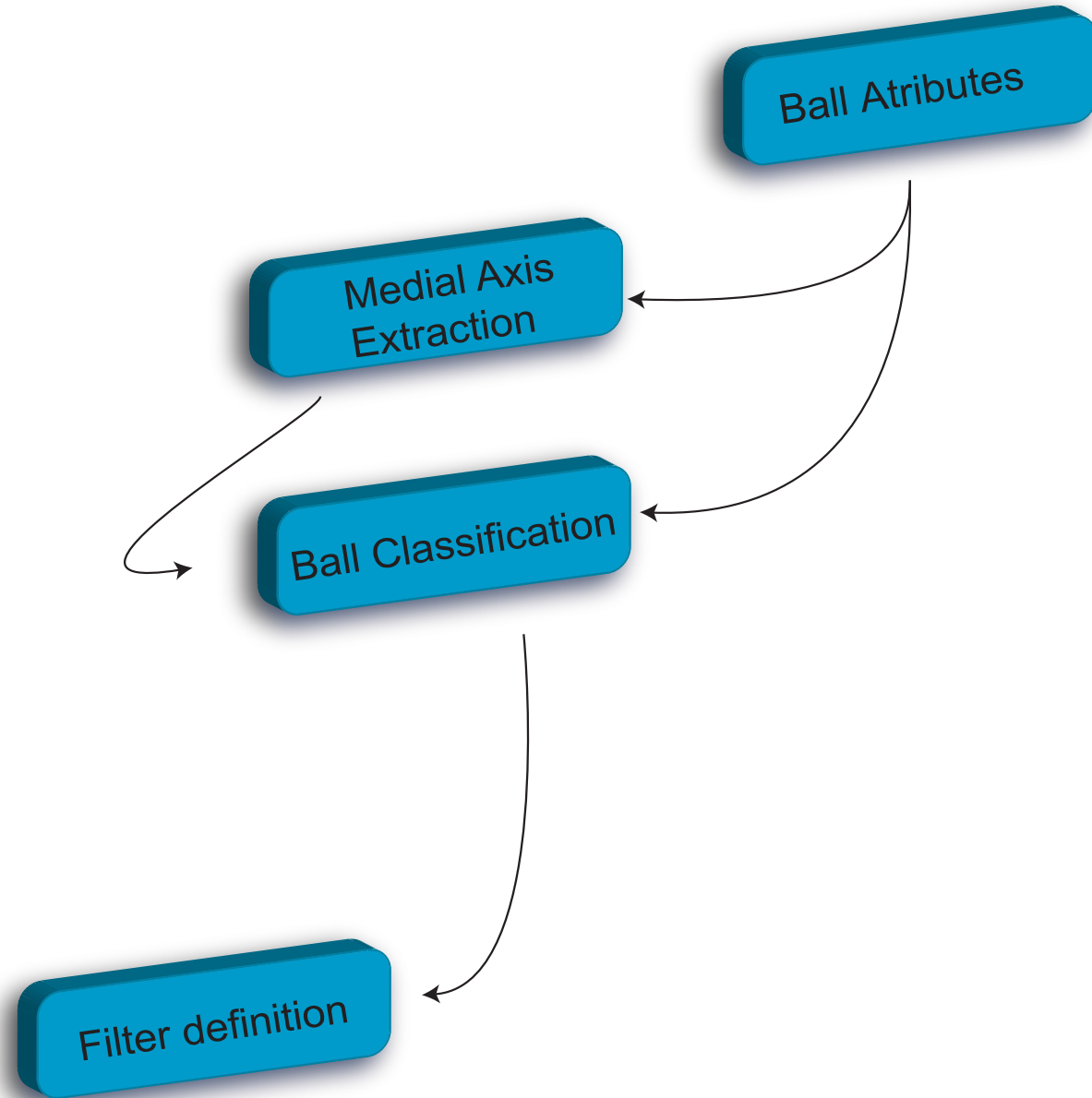




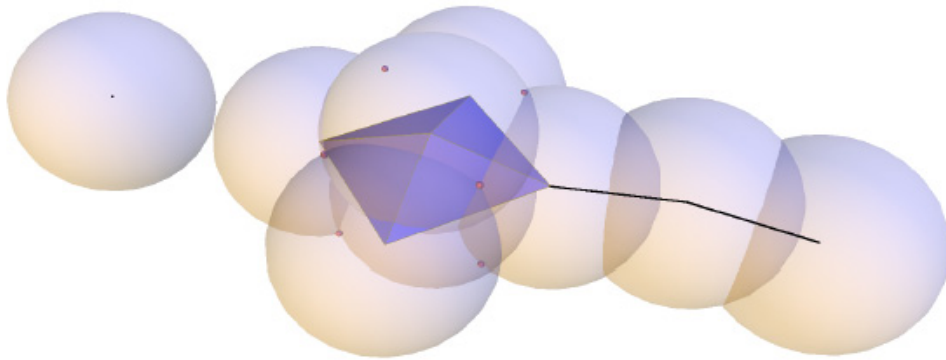


Task: Develop a filter that exhibit good properties.

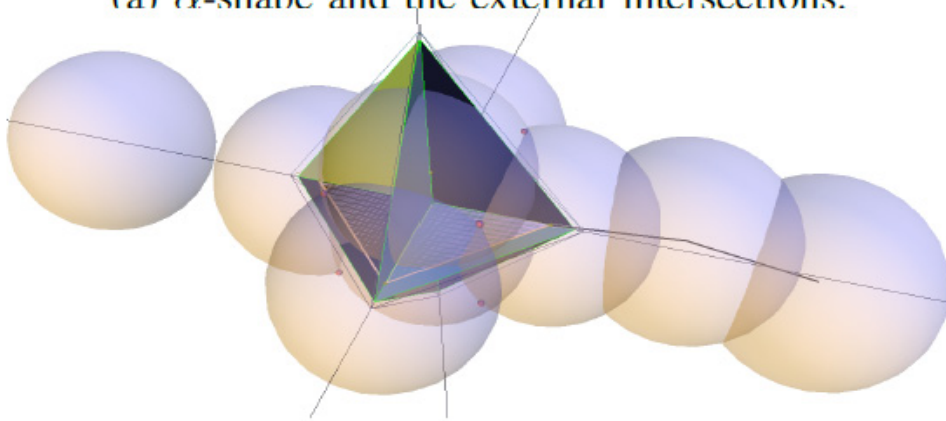
# 3d Filter Framework



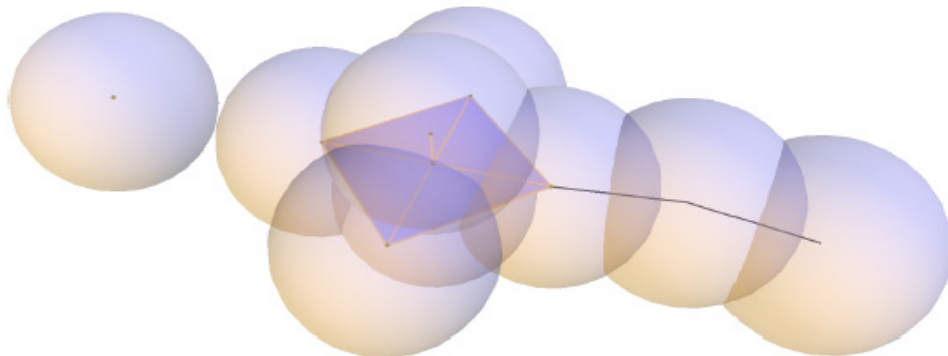
# Medial Axis Extraction



(a)  $\alpha$ -shape and the external intersections.

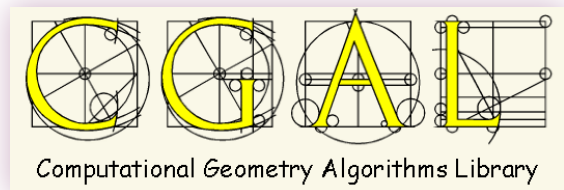


(b) Voronoi diagram of the intersections.



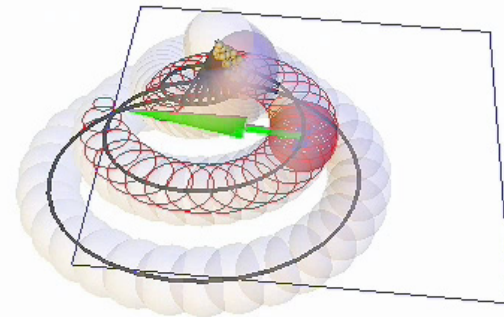
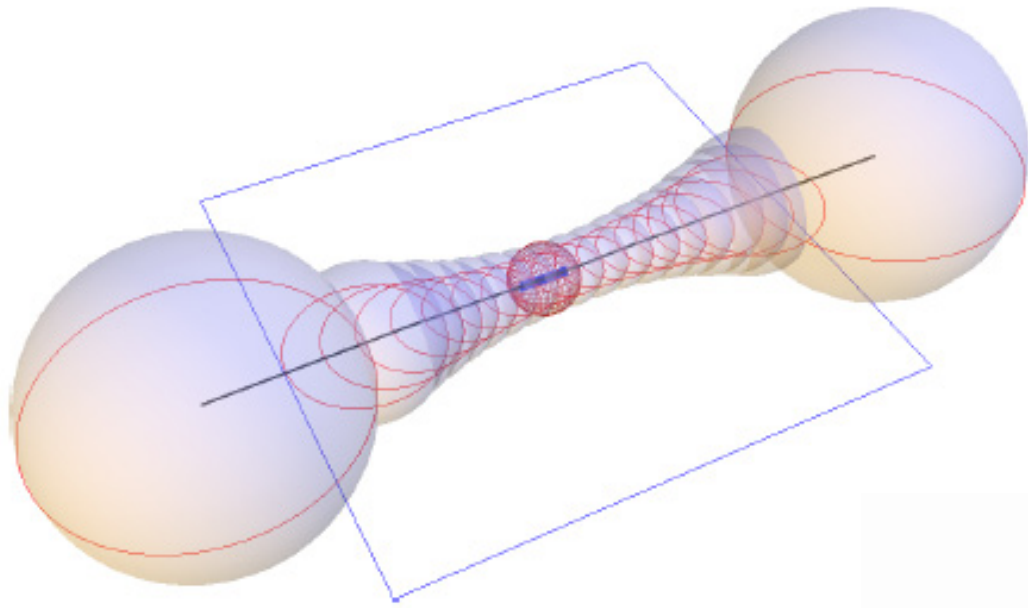
(c) Medial axis: singular part from the  $\alpha$ -shape and regular part from the Voronoi diagram.

N. Amenta and R. Kolluri. The medial axis of unions of balls. *Computational Geometry: Theory and Applications*, 20(1-2):25-37, 2001.



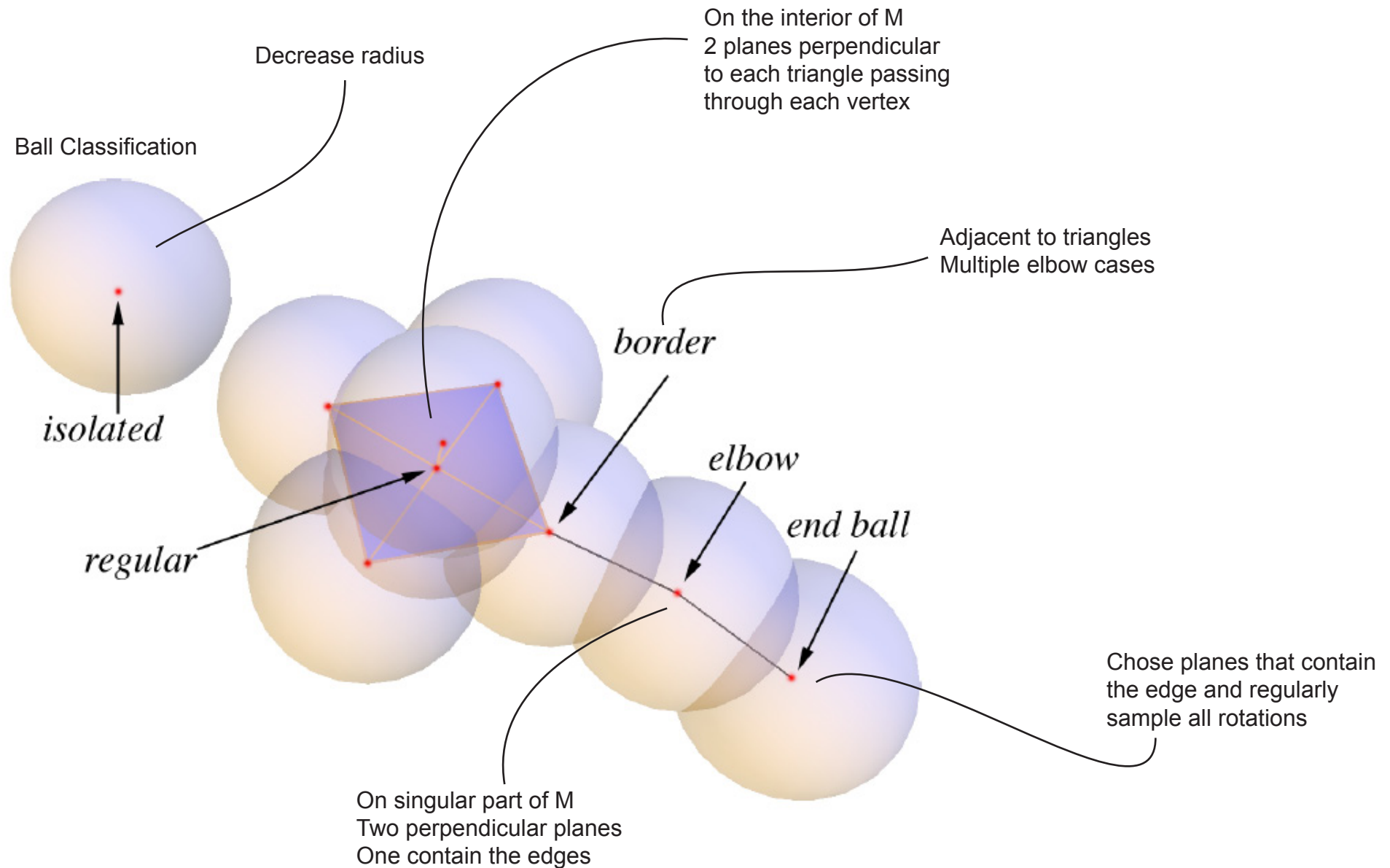


# Proposed Filter

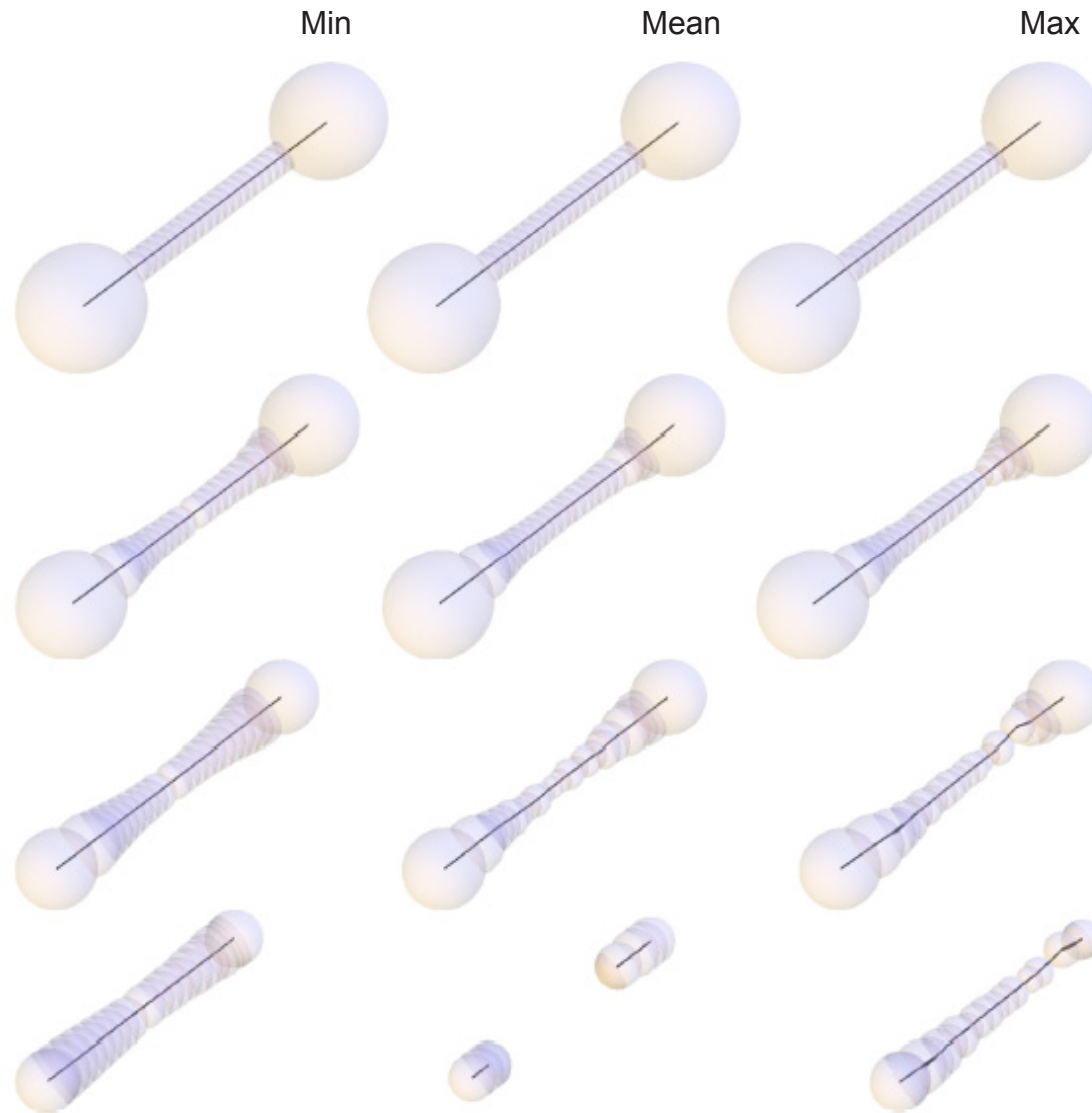


We intersect the union of balls with local planes and apply planar curvature motion on the intersected disks.

# Ball Classification and Plane Selection



# Proposed Filter Nice Properties





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193 elements  
0.2 sec per iteration

# Comparison

