Animation

CS418 Computer Graphics

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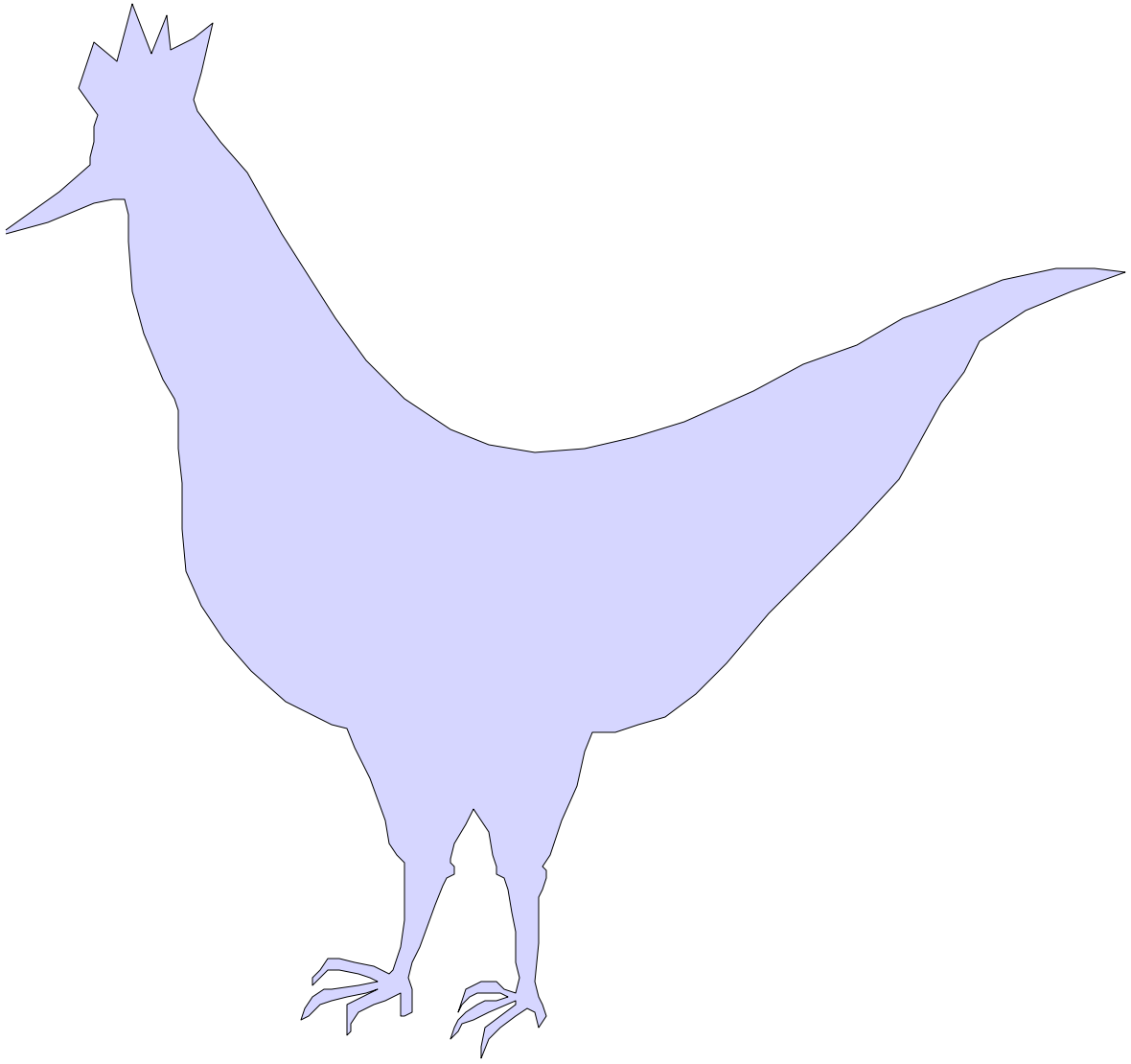

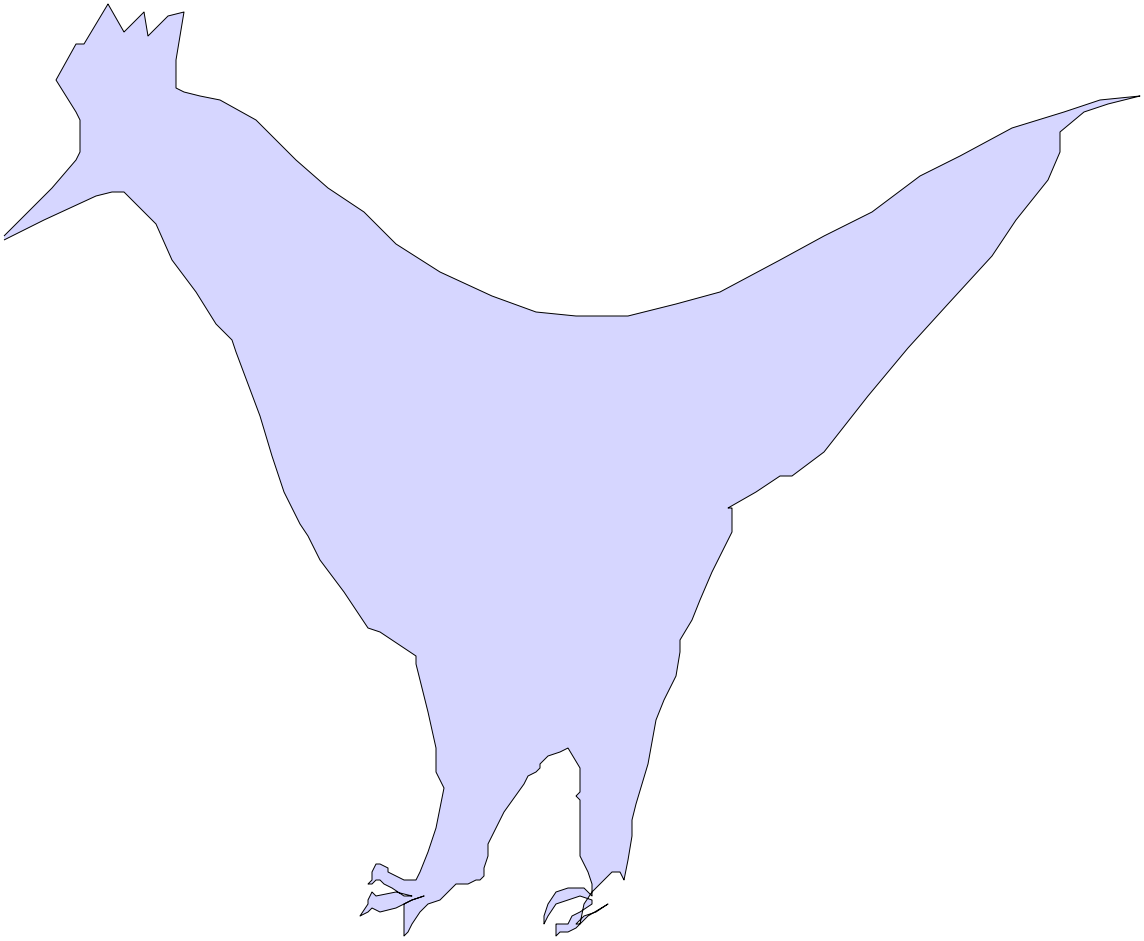

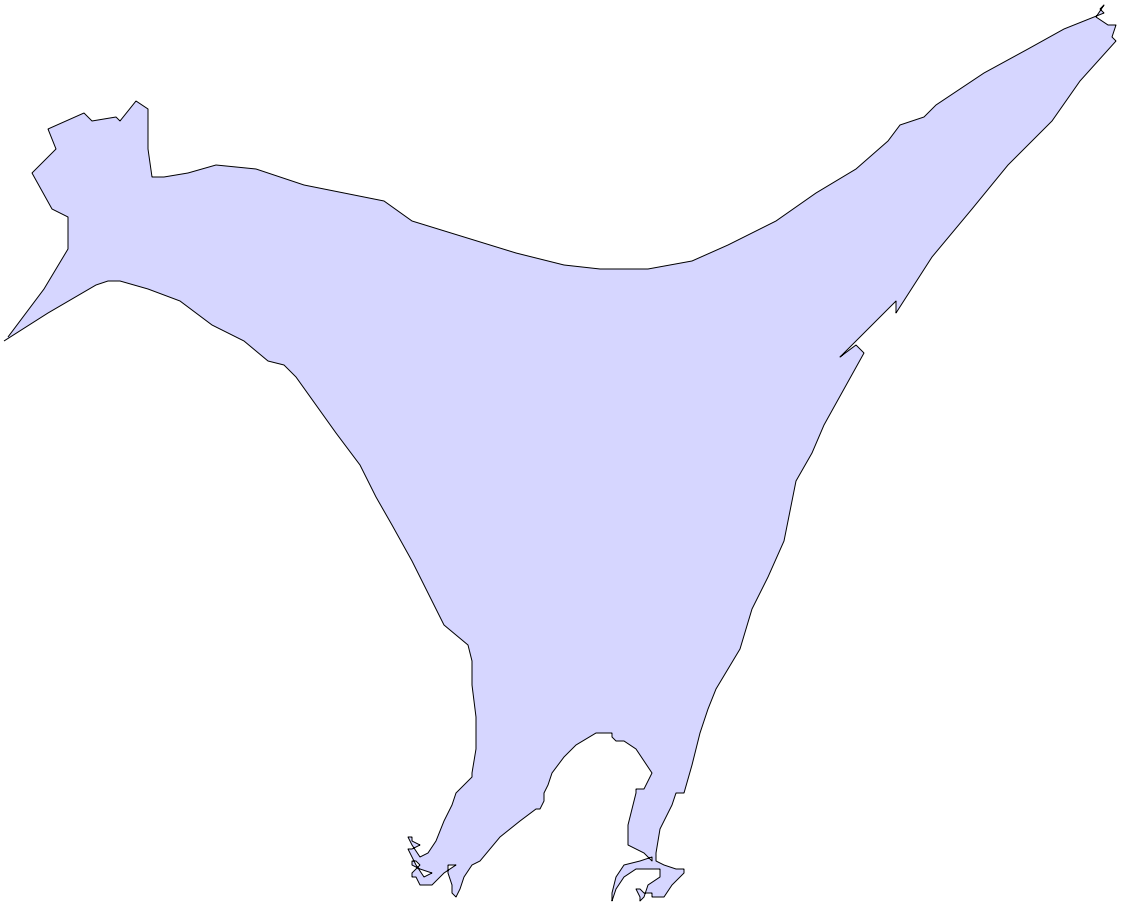

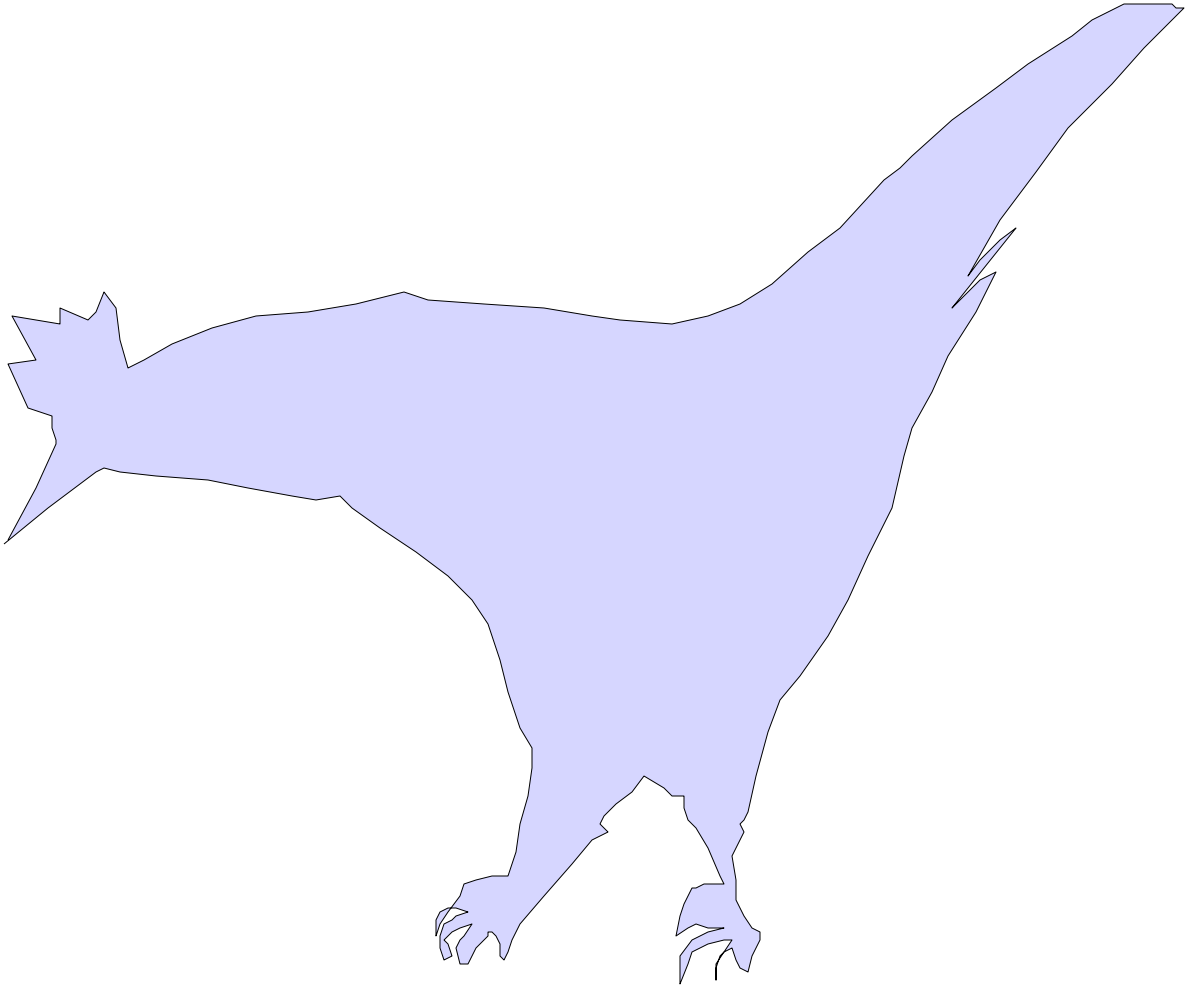

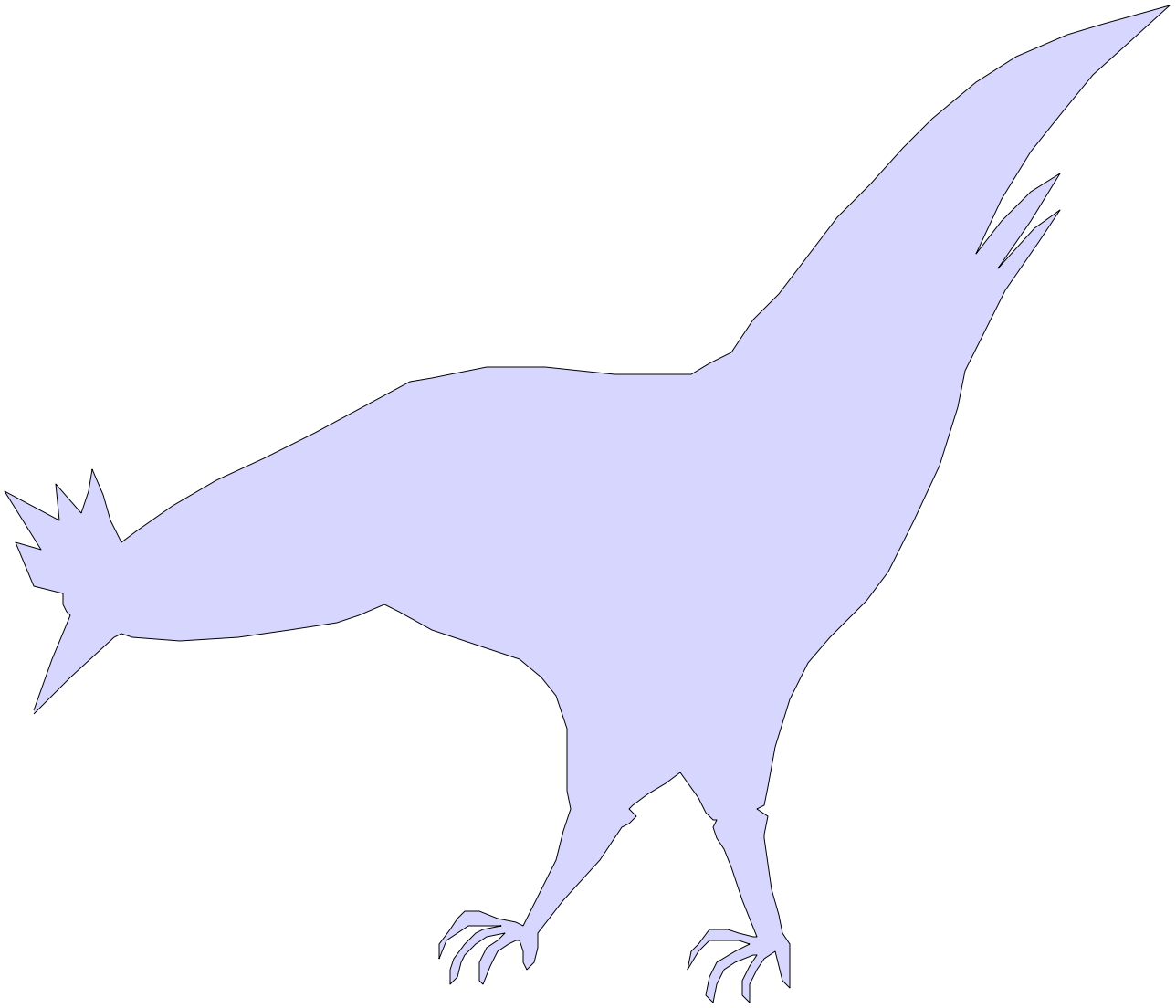

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- Linearly interpolate vertex positions between targets at intervening frames
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- Piecewise linear approach to animation
- Need same number and configuration of vertices at key frames for intervening frames to make sense
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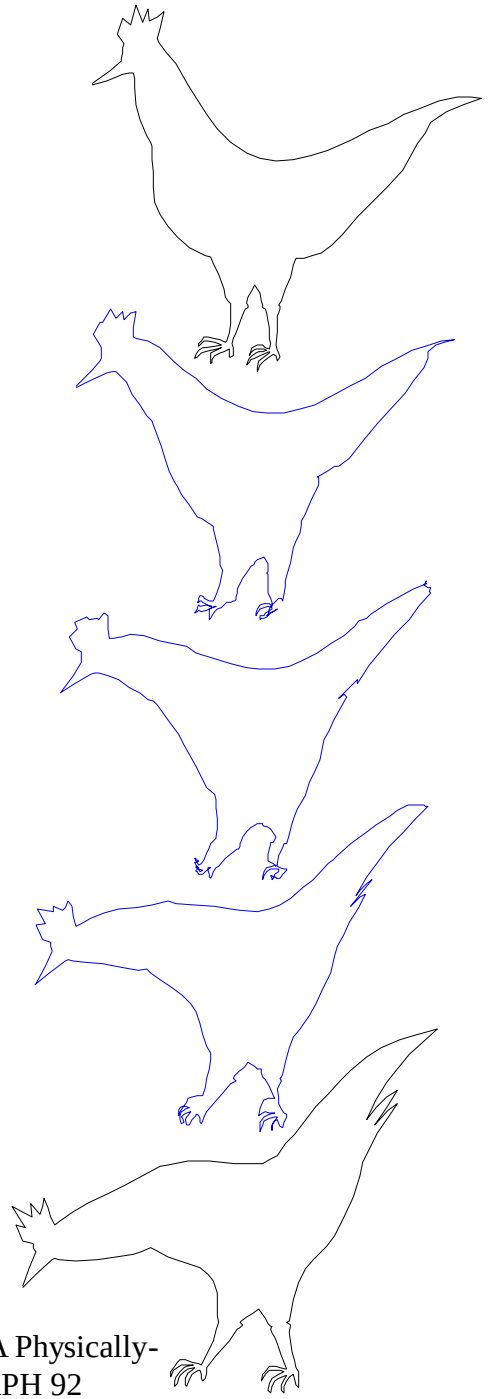

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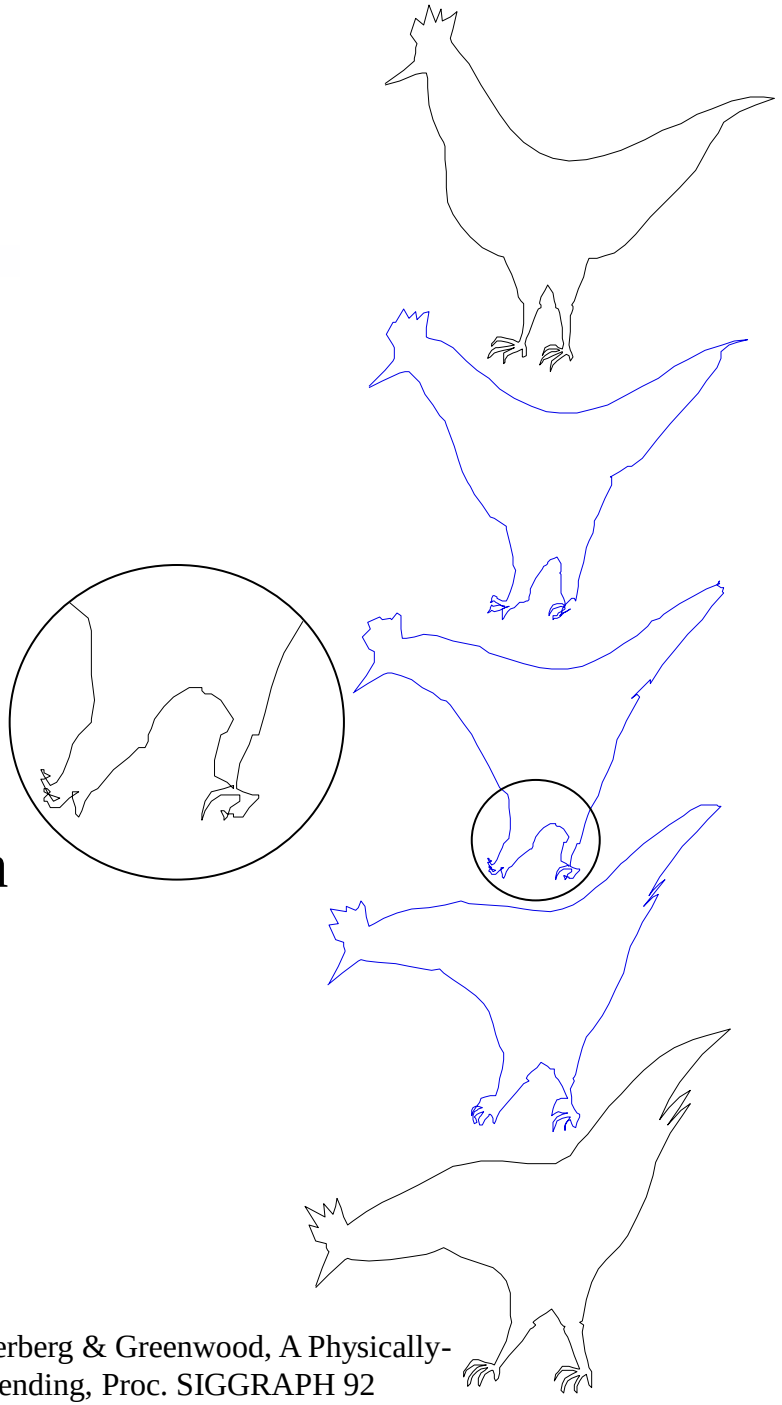

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Polar Decomposition

- Linear affine interpolation of transformation matrices does not accommodate rotation
- Let M be the upper-left 3x3 submatrix of a 4x4 homogeneous transformation matrix
- Decompose: $M = QS$
  - Q: non-linearly varying part (rotation)
  - S: linearly varying part (scale, shear)
- Initialize $Q = M$
- Replace $Q = \frac{1}{2}(Q + Q^{-T})$ until it convergence to a 3x3 rotation matrix ($Q^T = Q^{-1}$)
- Then Q contains the rotation part of M
- And $S = Q^T M$ contains the scaling part
- Interpolate S linearly per-element
- Interpolate Q using quaternions