

Generalisation via tGAP structure

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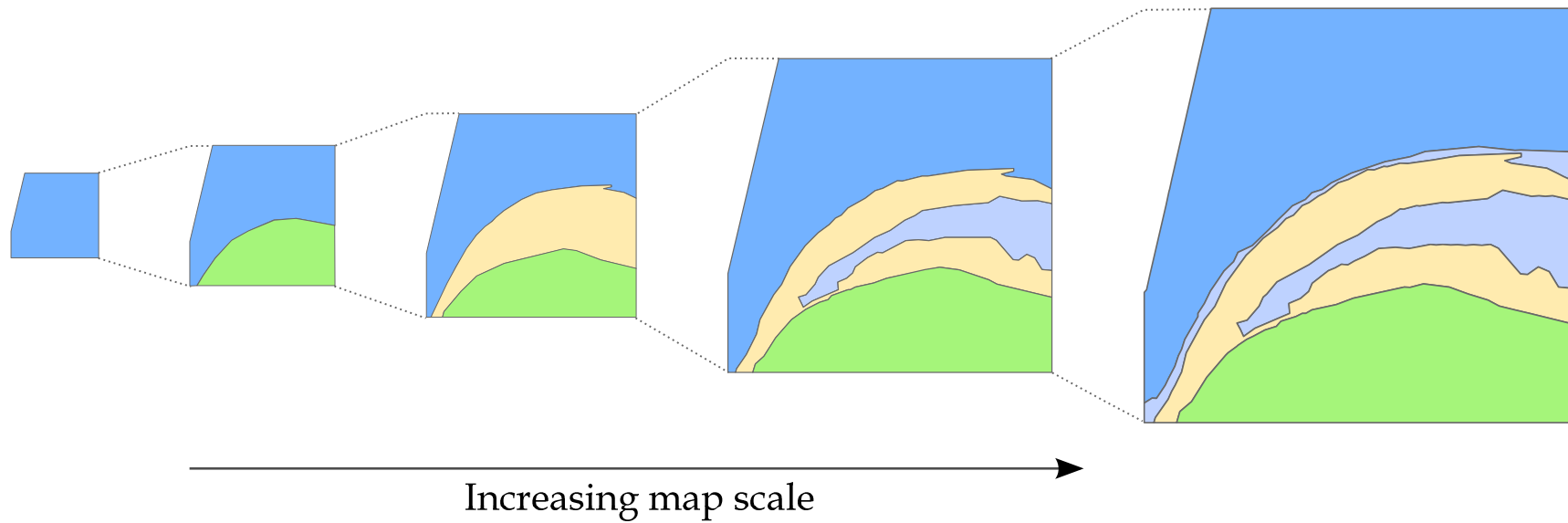
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Content

- Few words on generalisation
- Theory of tGAP (topological Generalised Area Partitioning)
 - How tGAP is filled (off-line)
 - How tGAP is used for (online) feature selection
- Implementation of tGAP in Oracle Spatial
 - New data types
 - Tables storing the structure
- Further research

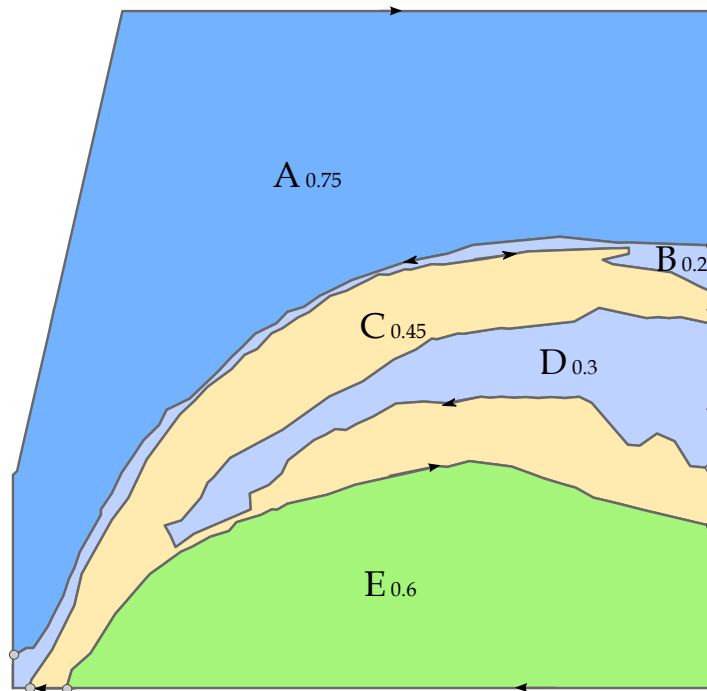
Why generalisation?



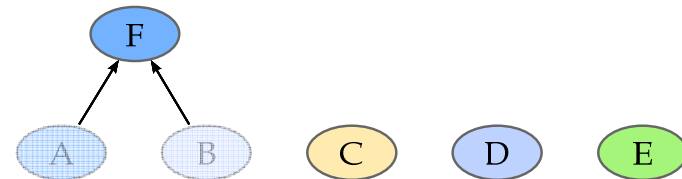
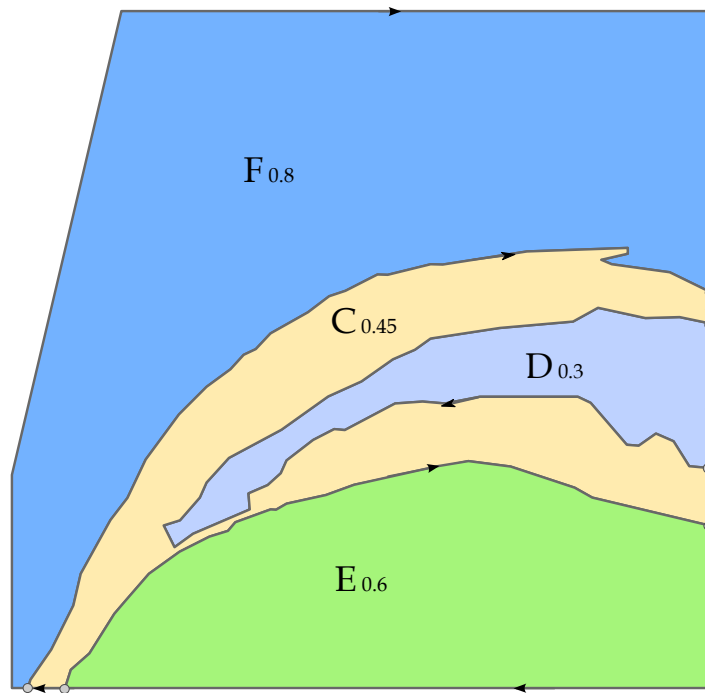
Generalisation methods & operators

- Generalisation methods:
 - Multiple representation databases
 - On-the-fly generalisation
 - tGAP structure
 - Off-line generalisation
 - On-the-fly feature selection
- Generalisation operators:
reclassification, elimination, collapse, simplification, ...

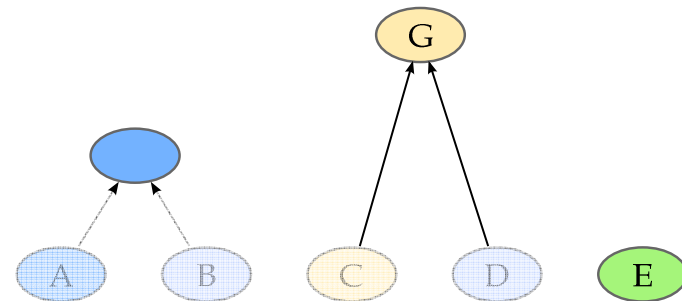
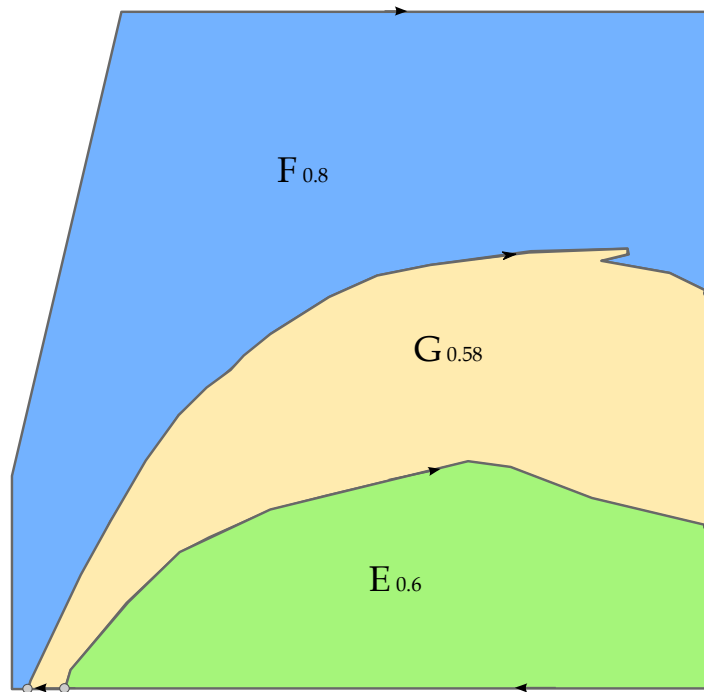
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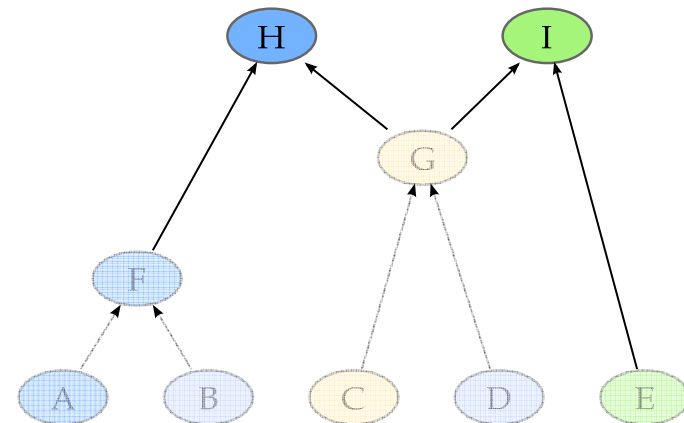
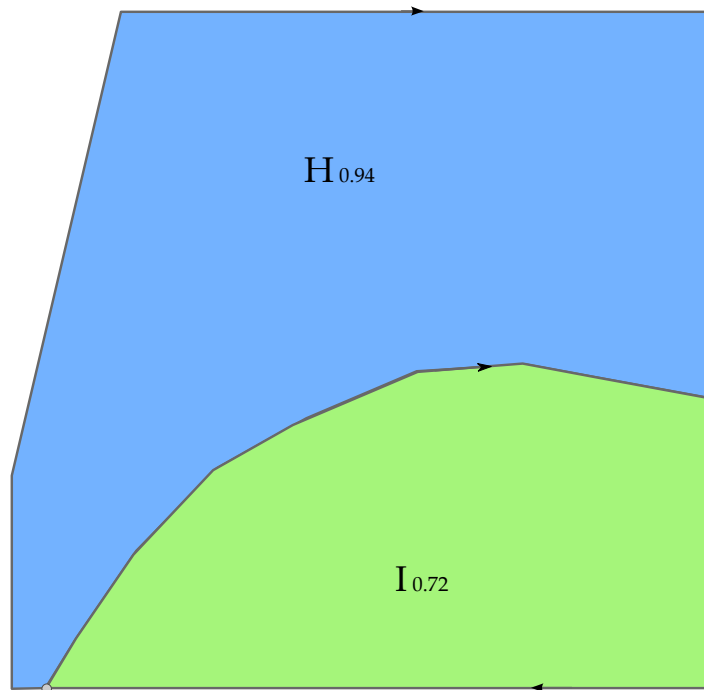
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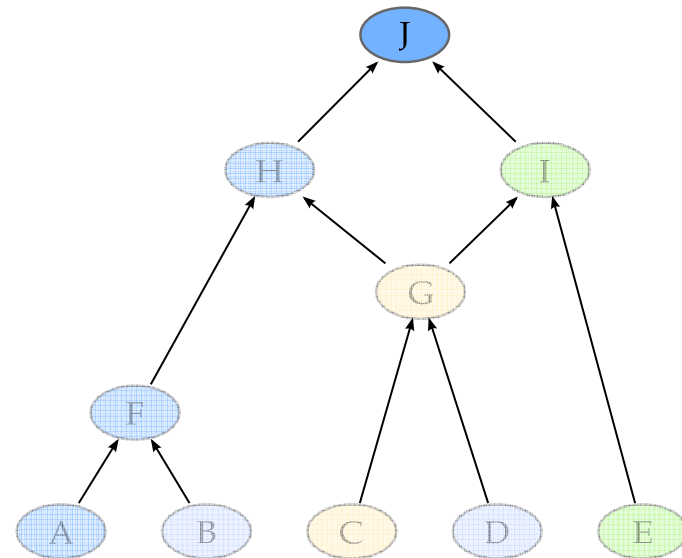
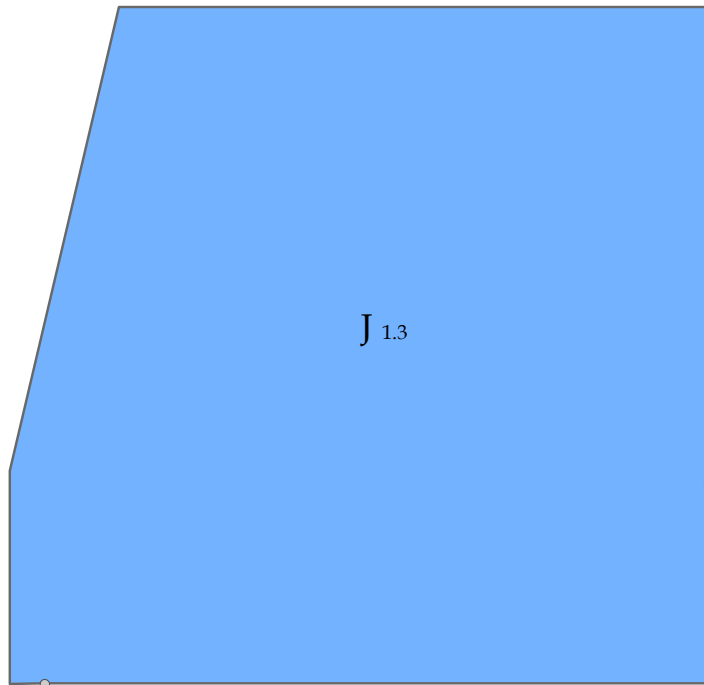
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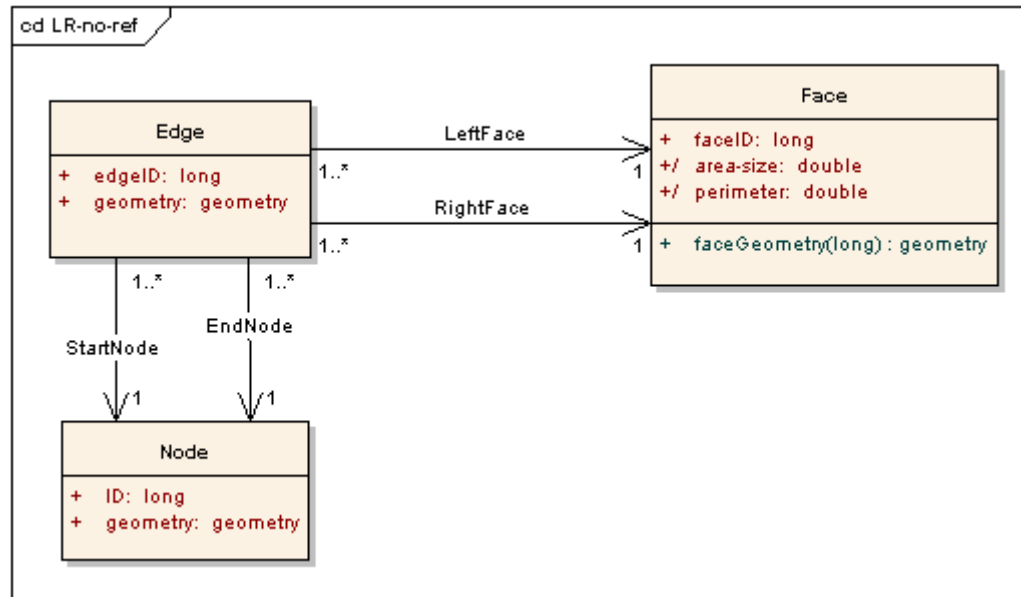


Offline generalisation of tGAP



Topological model for data storage

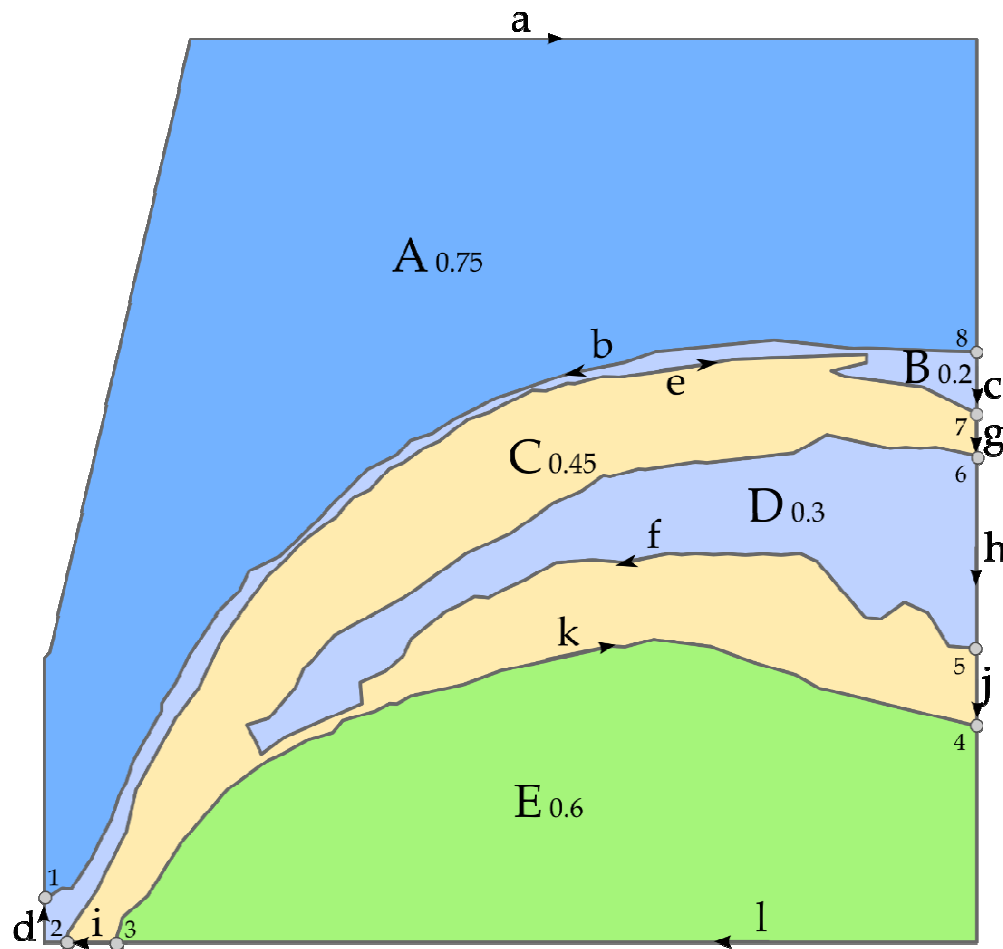
- Left-Right topology without edge references



tGAP structure composition

- tGAP structure is composed of
 - Hierarchy of faces: DAG (Directed Acyclic Graph)
 - Hierarchy of edges: edge forest
 - BLG (Binary Line Generalisation) trees for edge simplification; one BLG for each edge

Building DAG hierarchy of faces: step 0

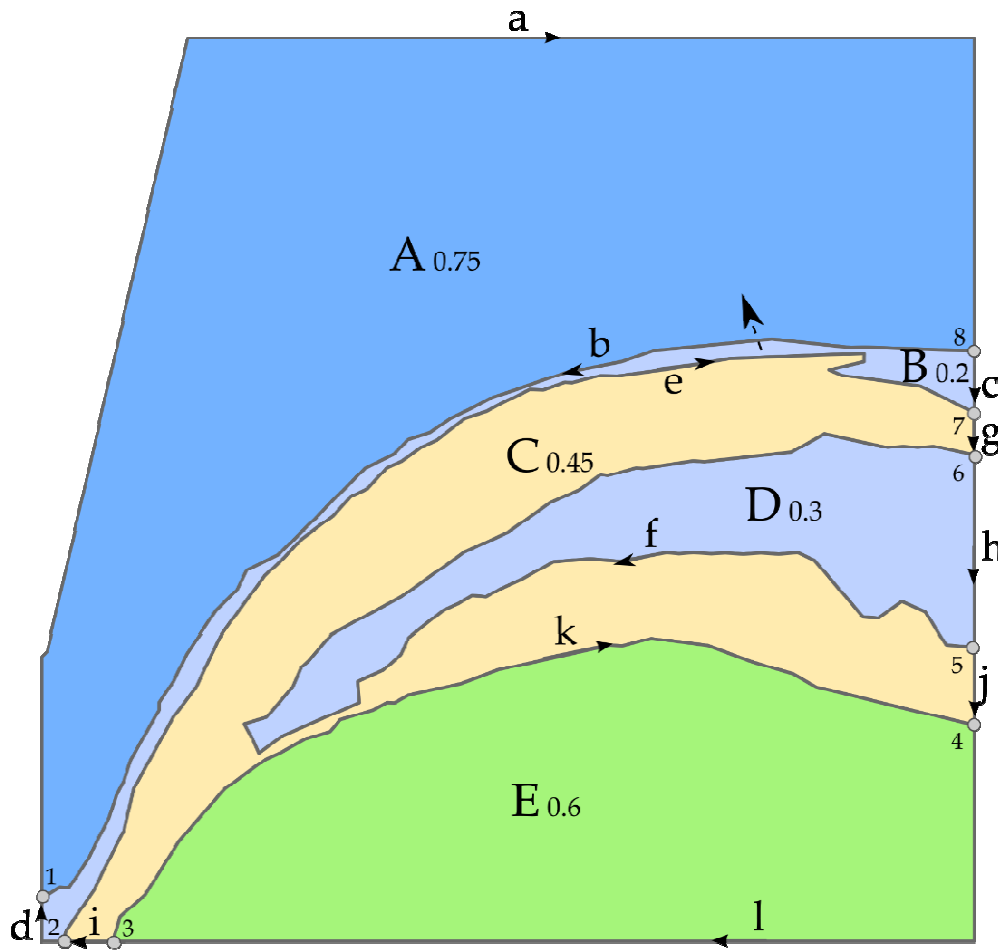


Calculate importance values:

$$\text{Importance}(F) = \text{Area}(F) * \text{Class-Weight}(F)$$

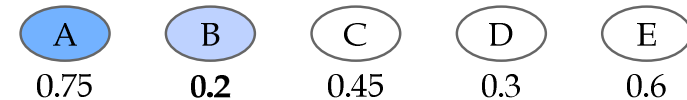


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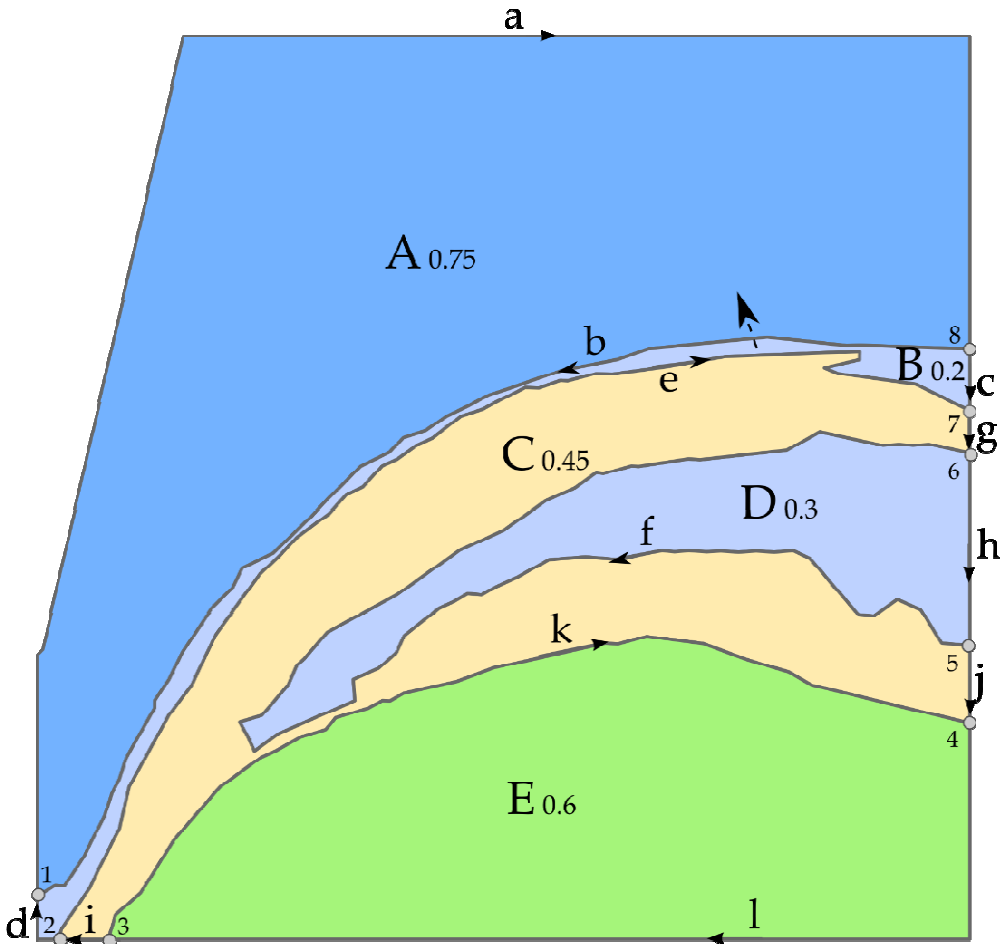


Find least important face;
Find its most compatible neighbour:

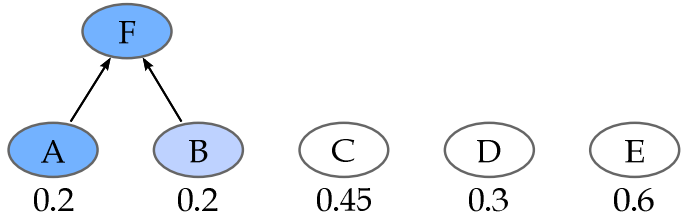
$$\text{Comp}(F,G) = \text{Len}(\text{Bnd}(F,G)) * \text{Class-Similarity}(F,G)$$



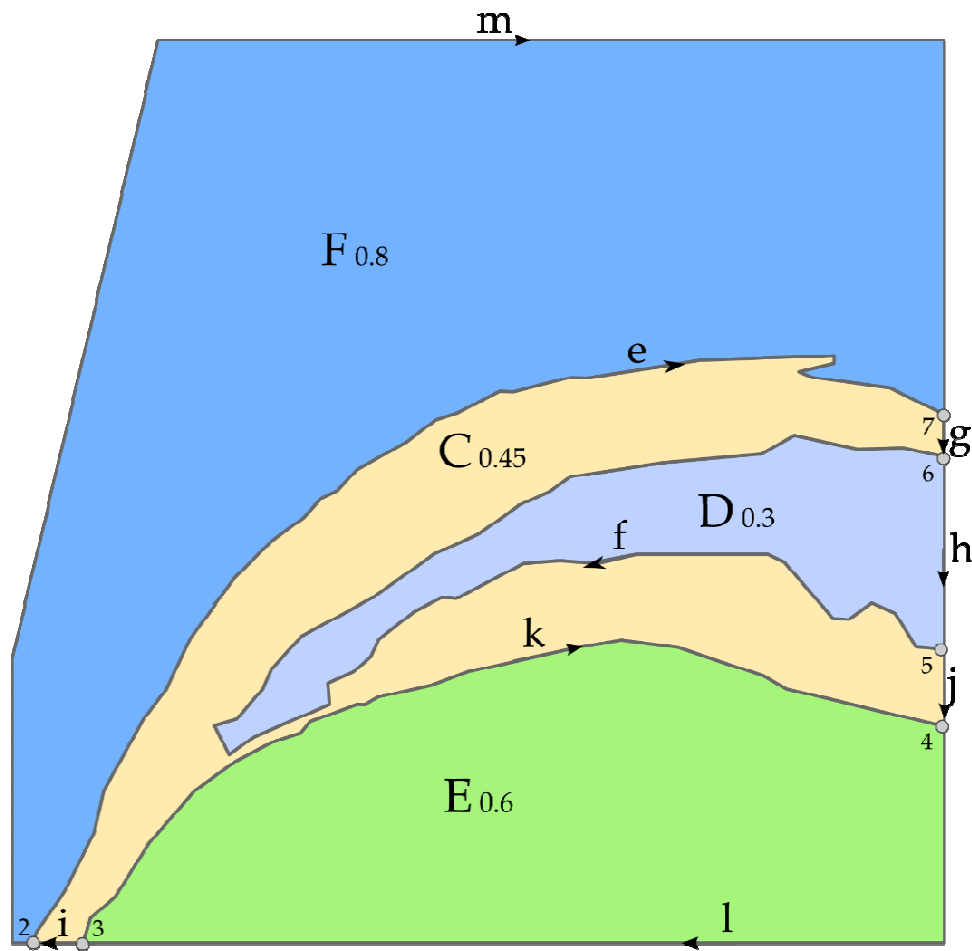
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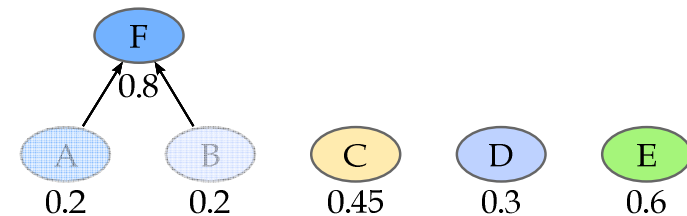
Merge faces



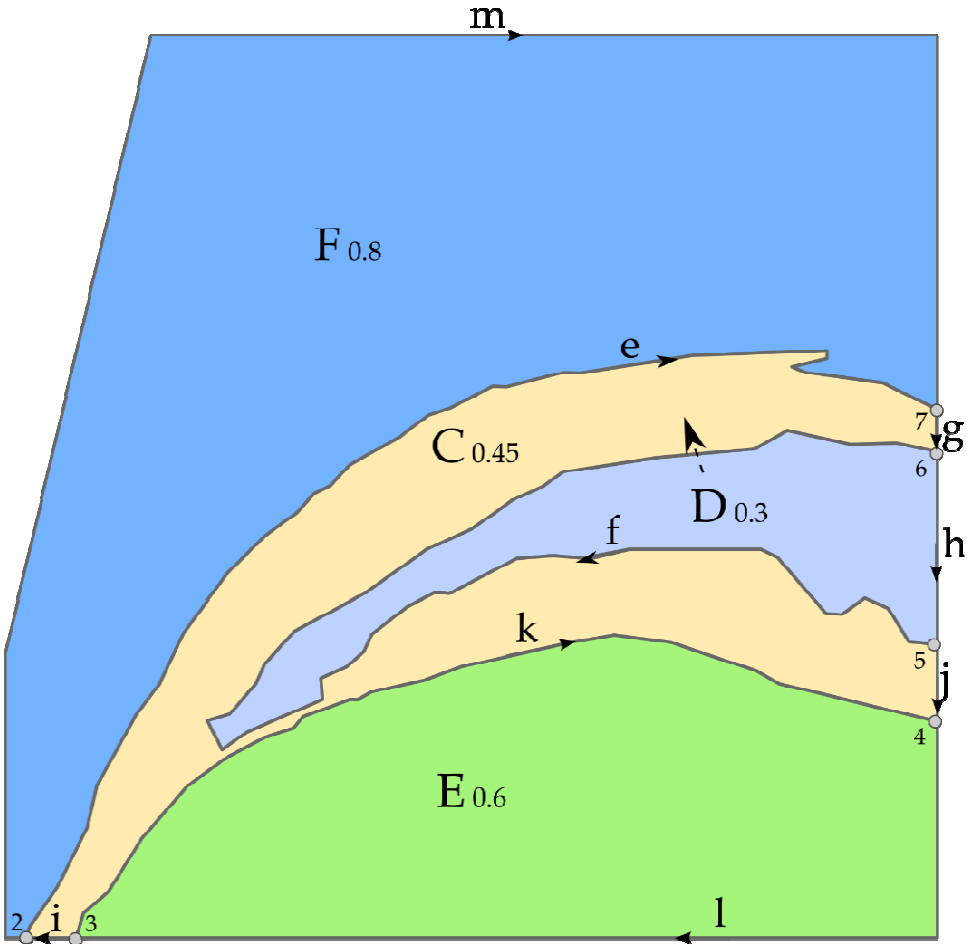
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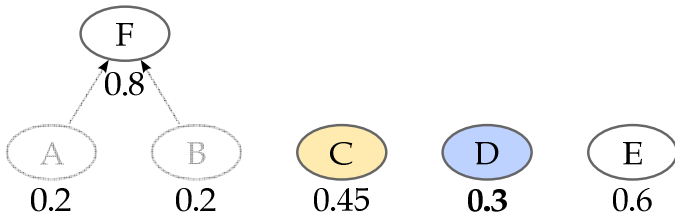
Calculate importance of the new face



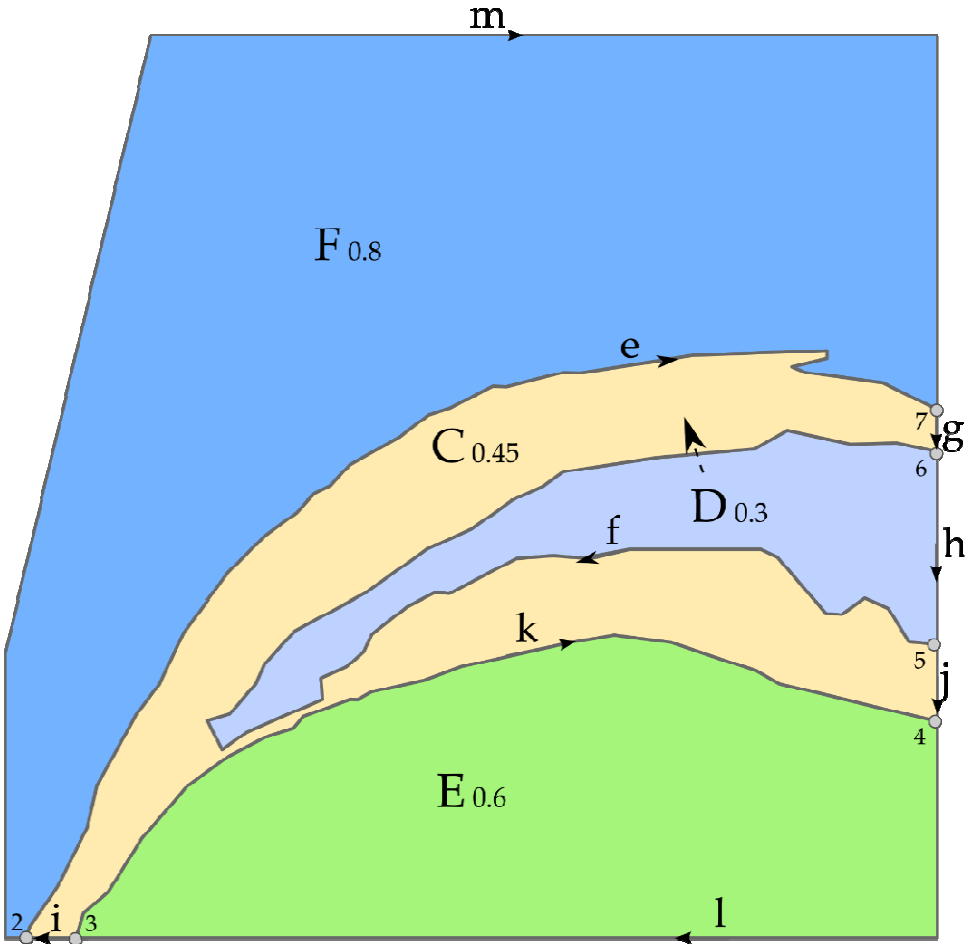
Building DAG hierarchy: step 2



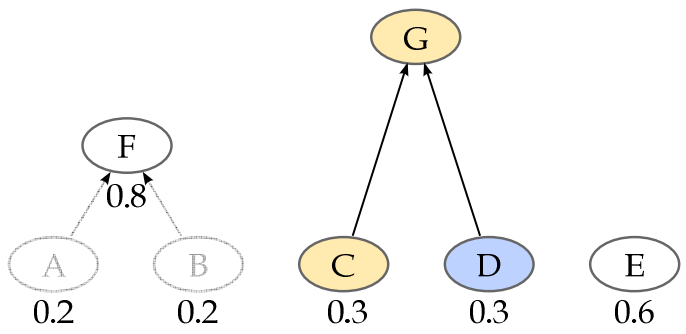
Find least important face;
Find its most compatible neighbour



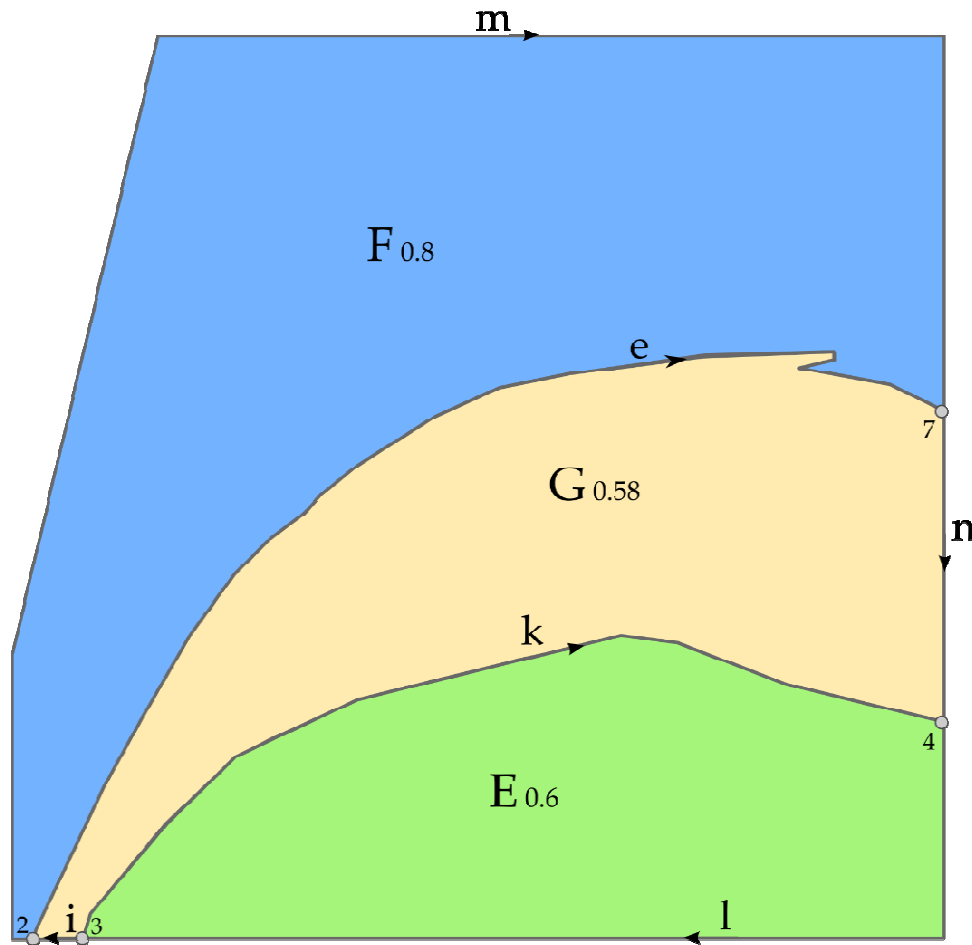
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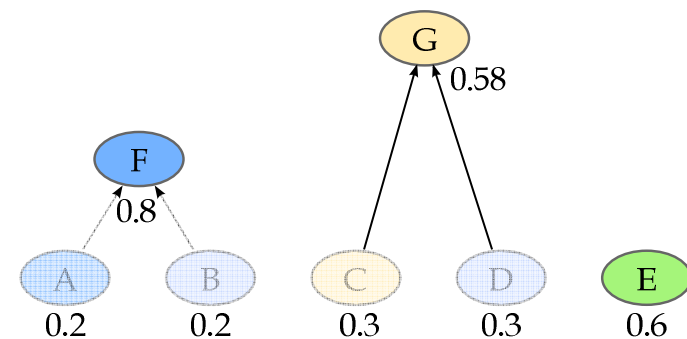
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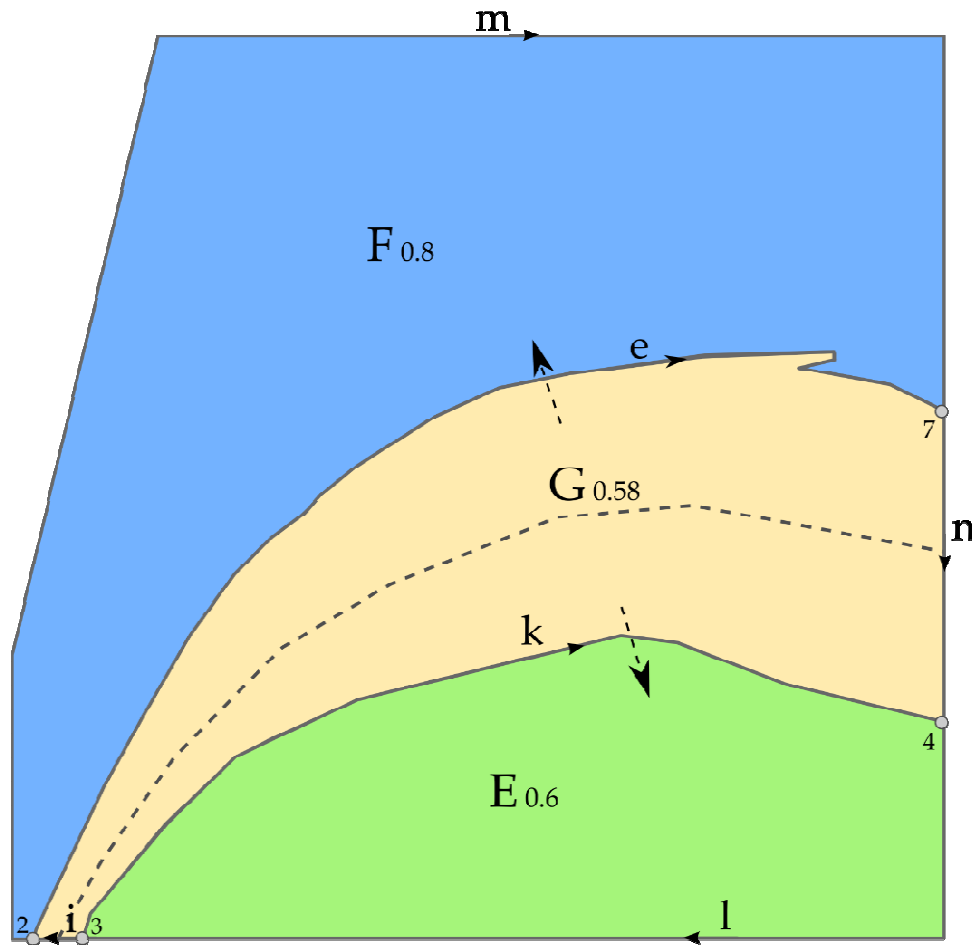
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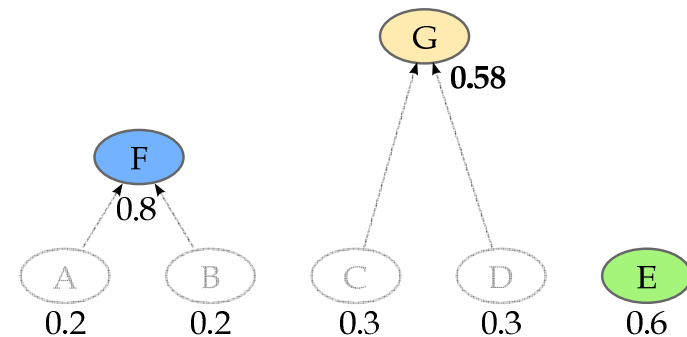
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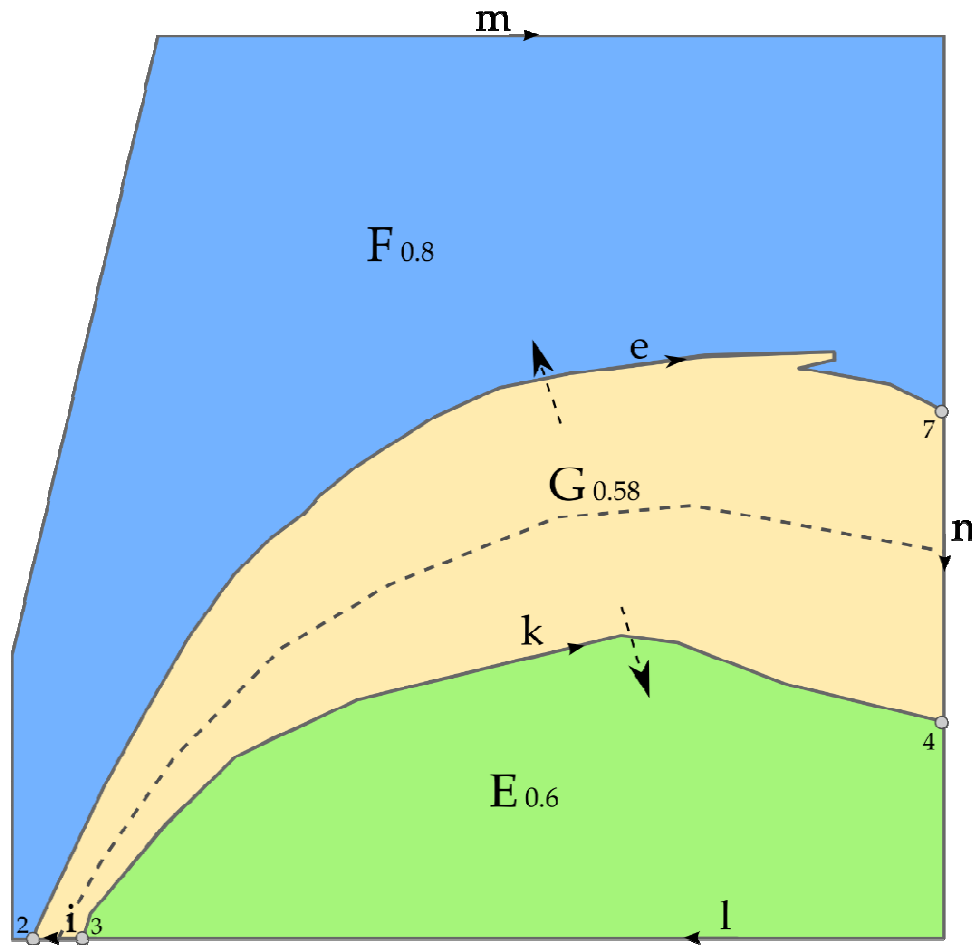
Building DAG hierarchy: step 3



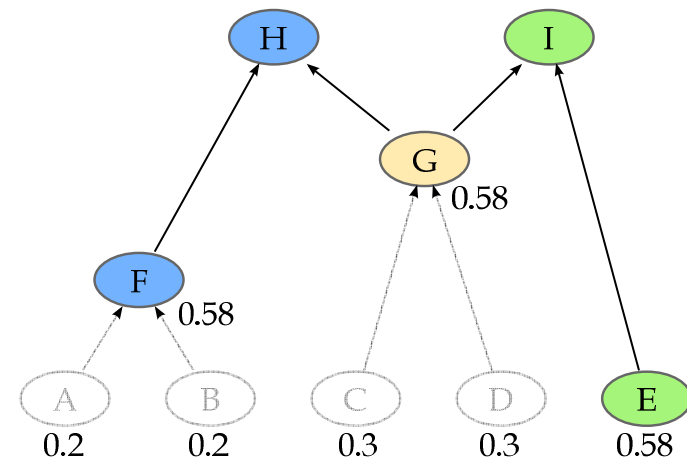
Find least important face;
Find most compatible neighbours



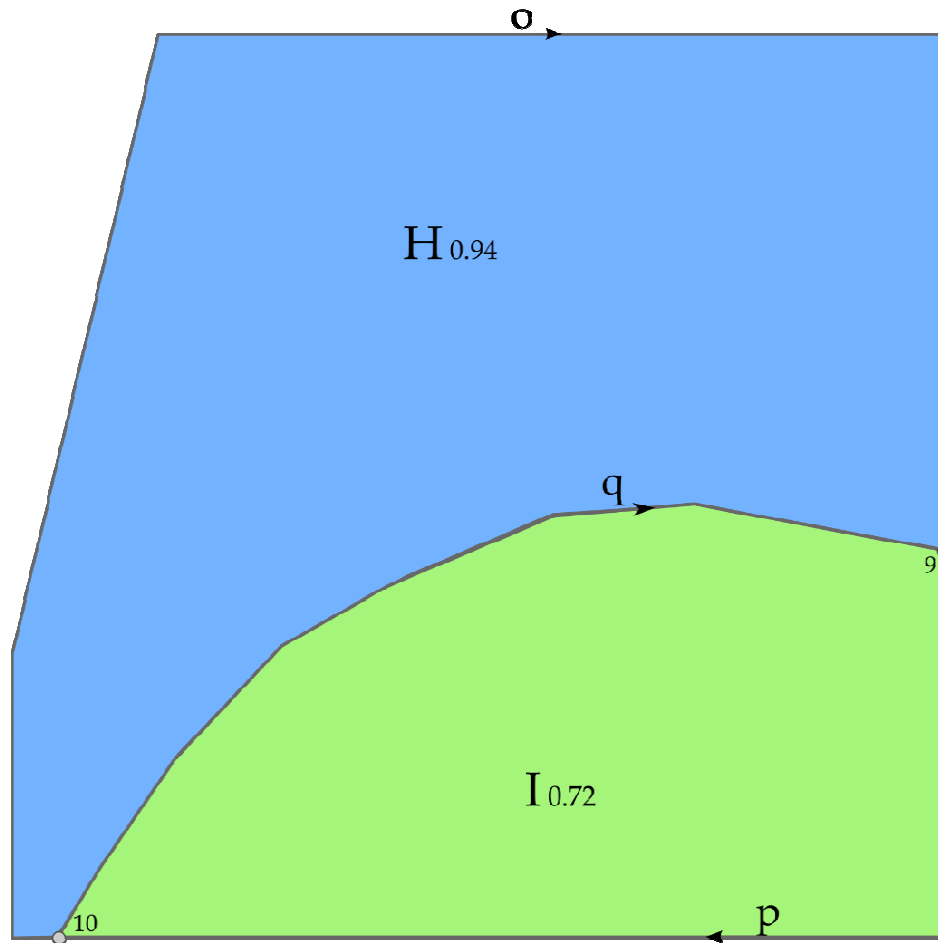
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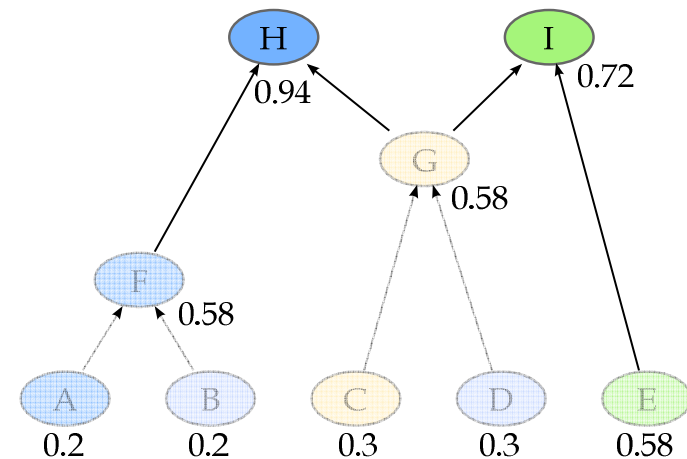
Split to an axis;
Merge parts to neighbour faces



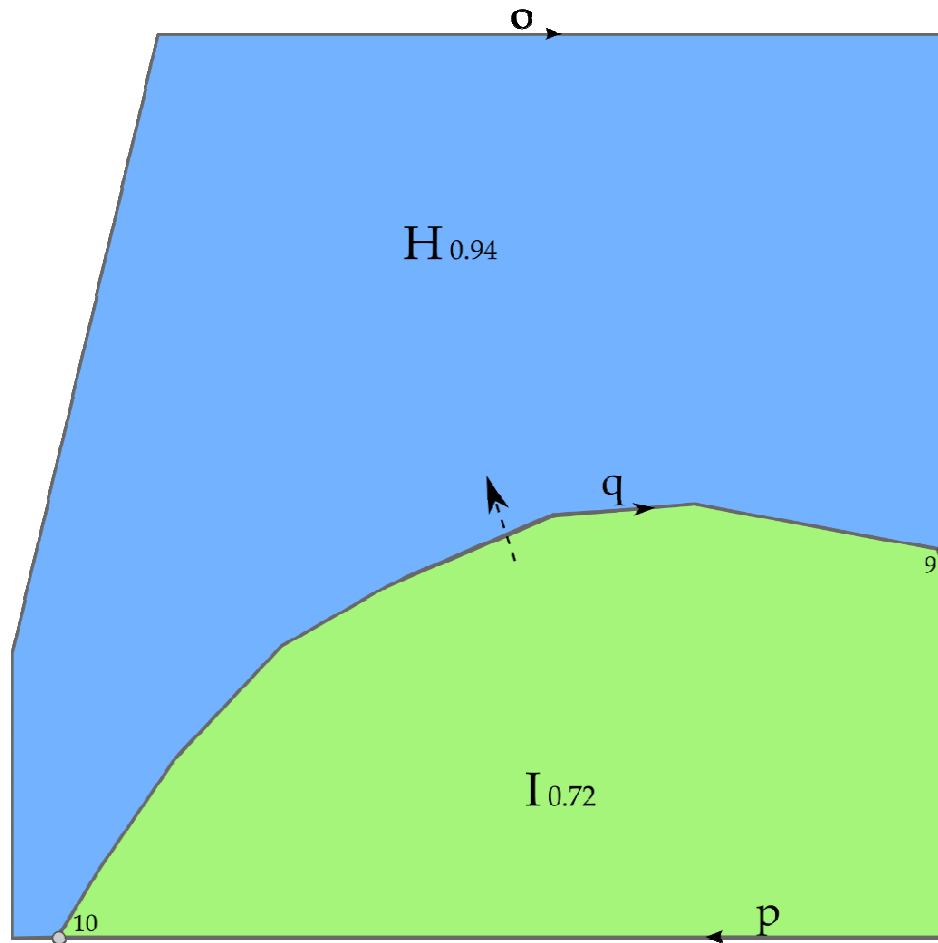
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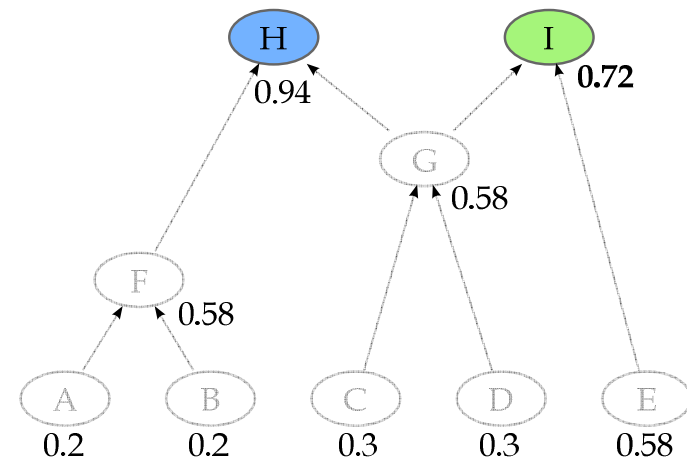
Calculate importance of the new faces



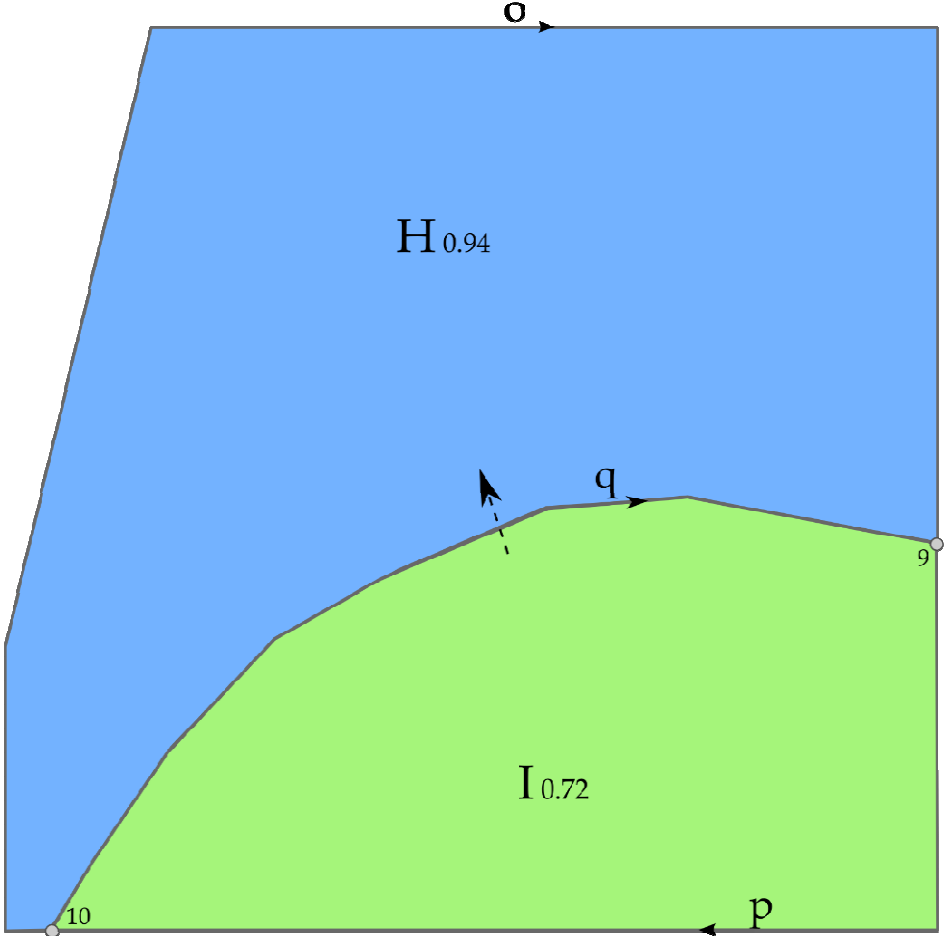
Building DAG hierarchy: step 4



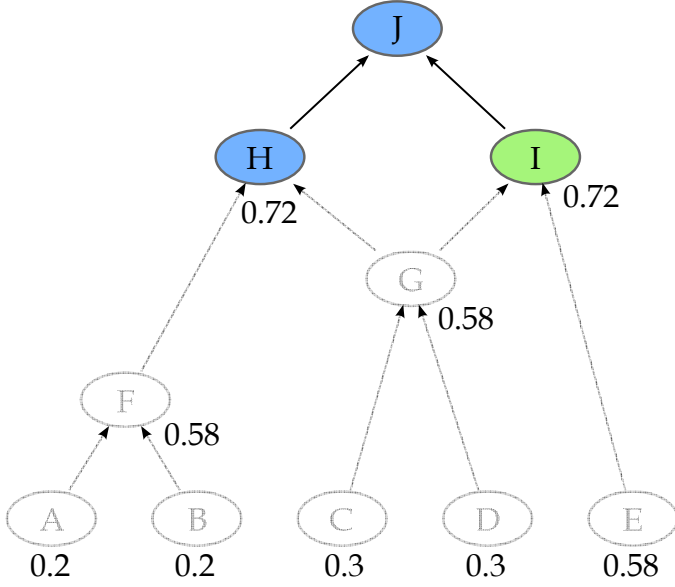
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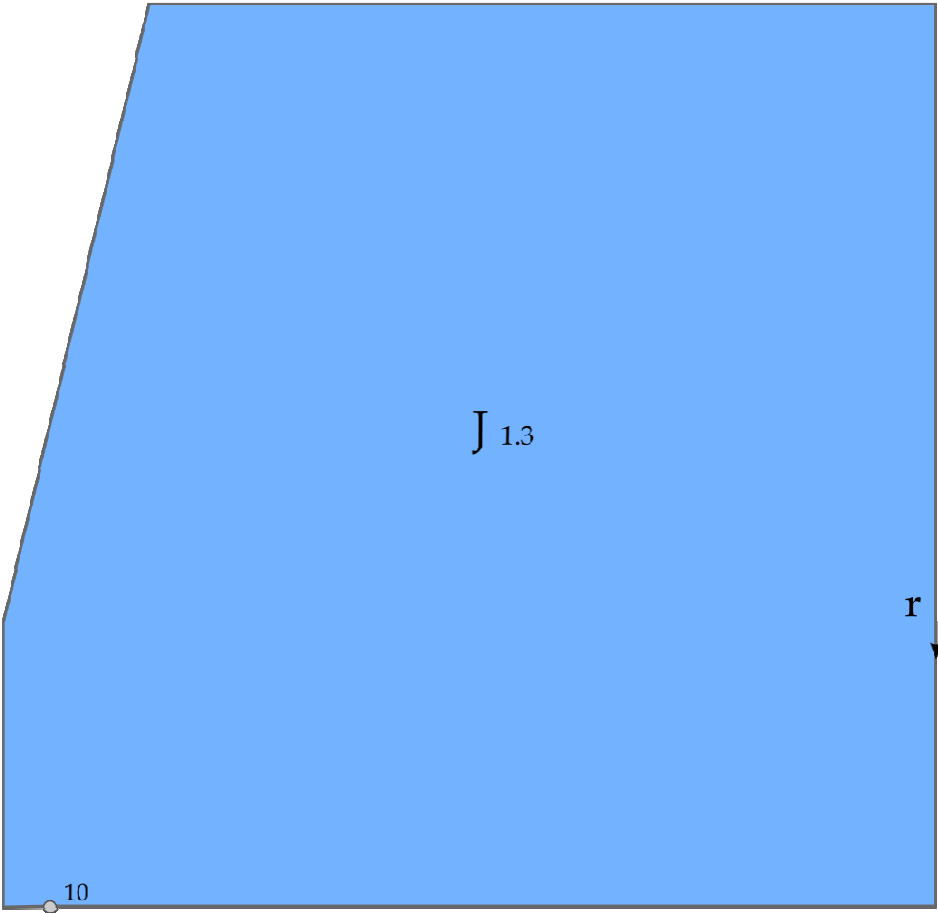
Building DAG hierarchy: step 4



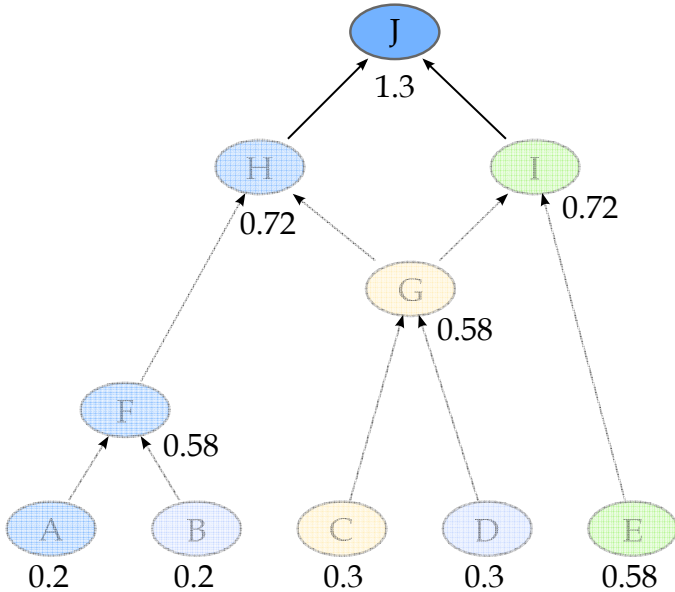
Merge faces



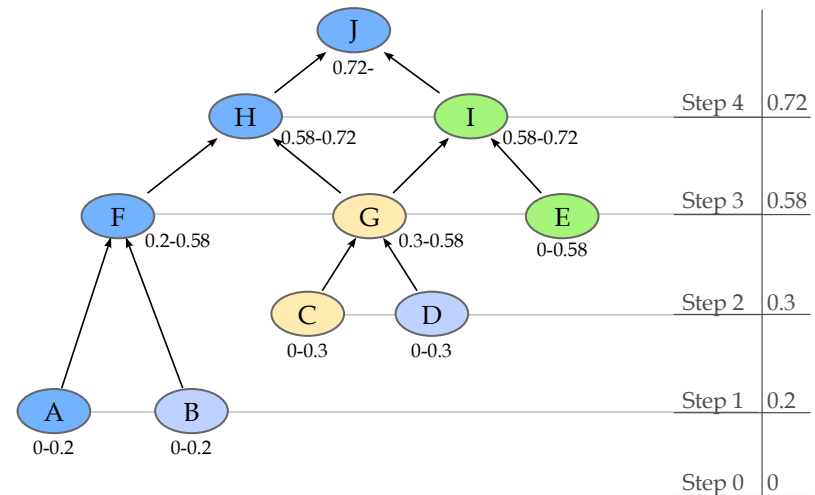
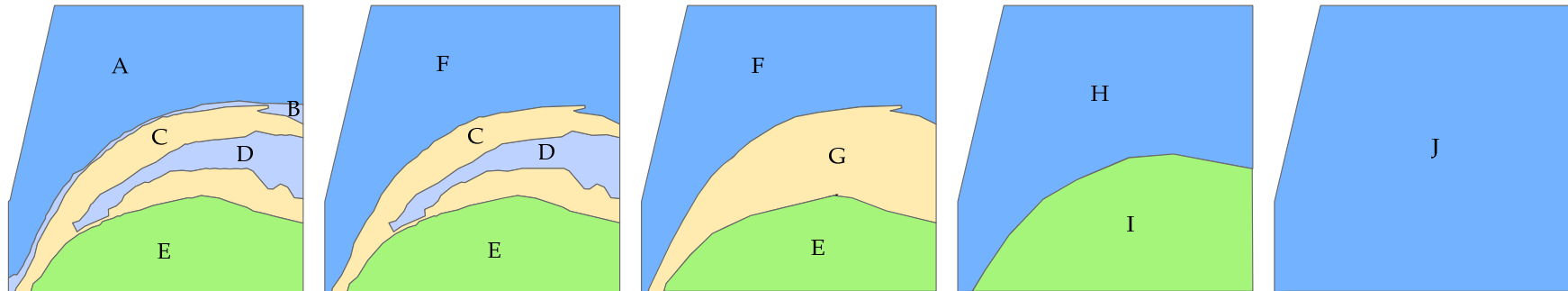
Building DAG hierarchy: step 4



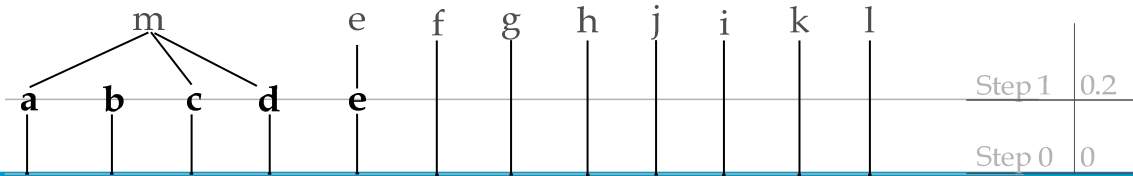
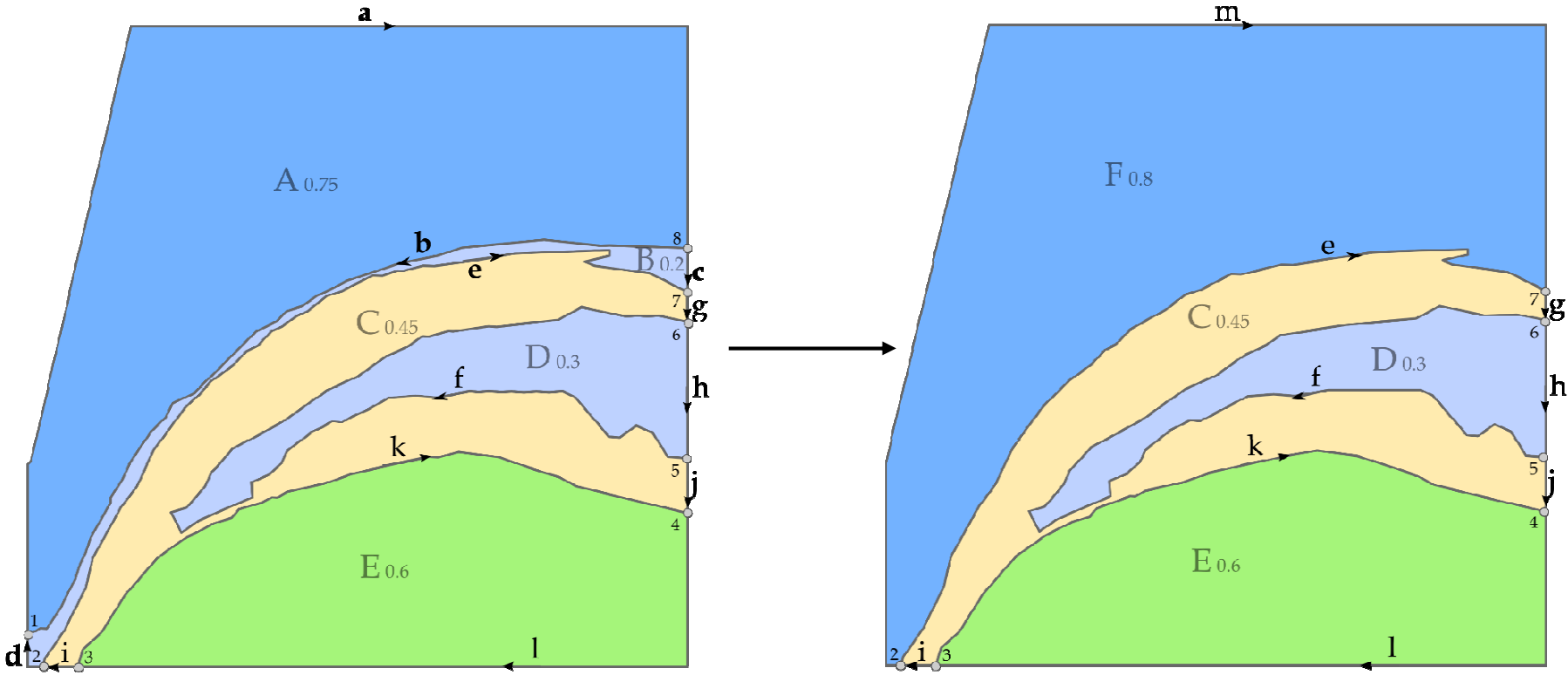
Calculate importance of the new face



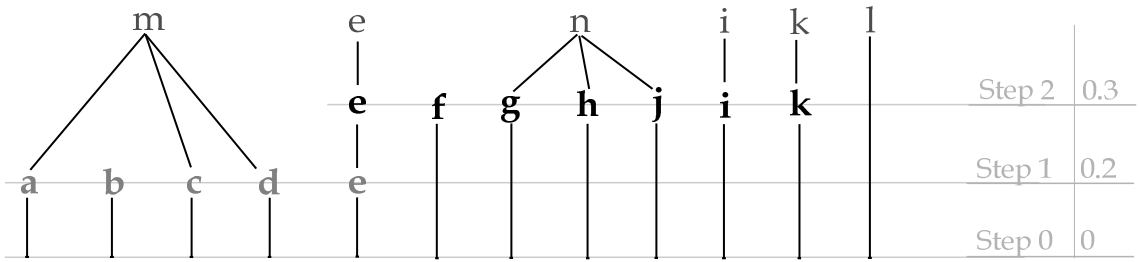
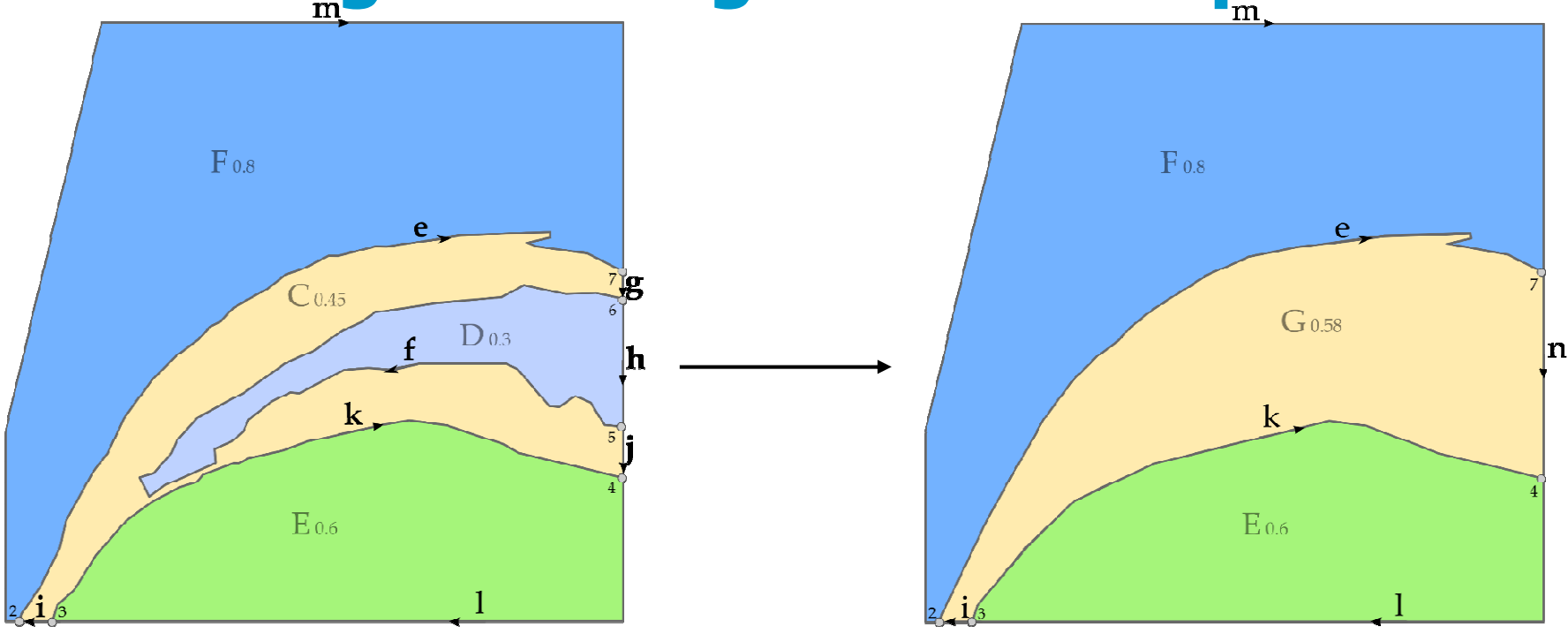
DAG hierarchy of faces



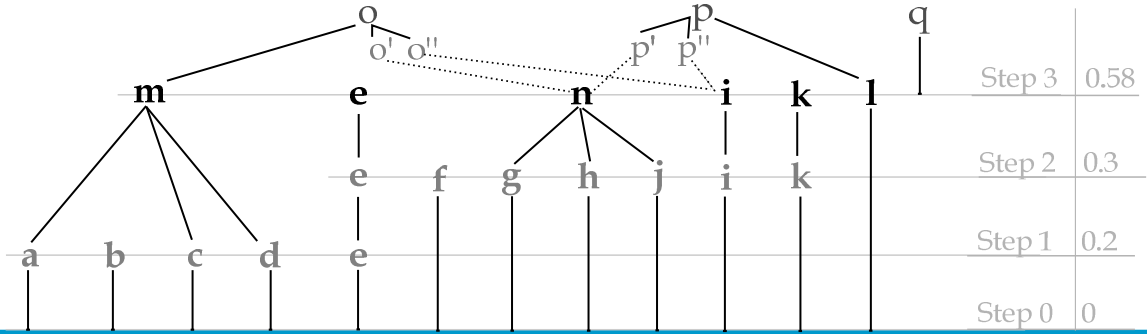
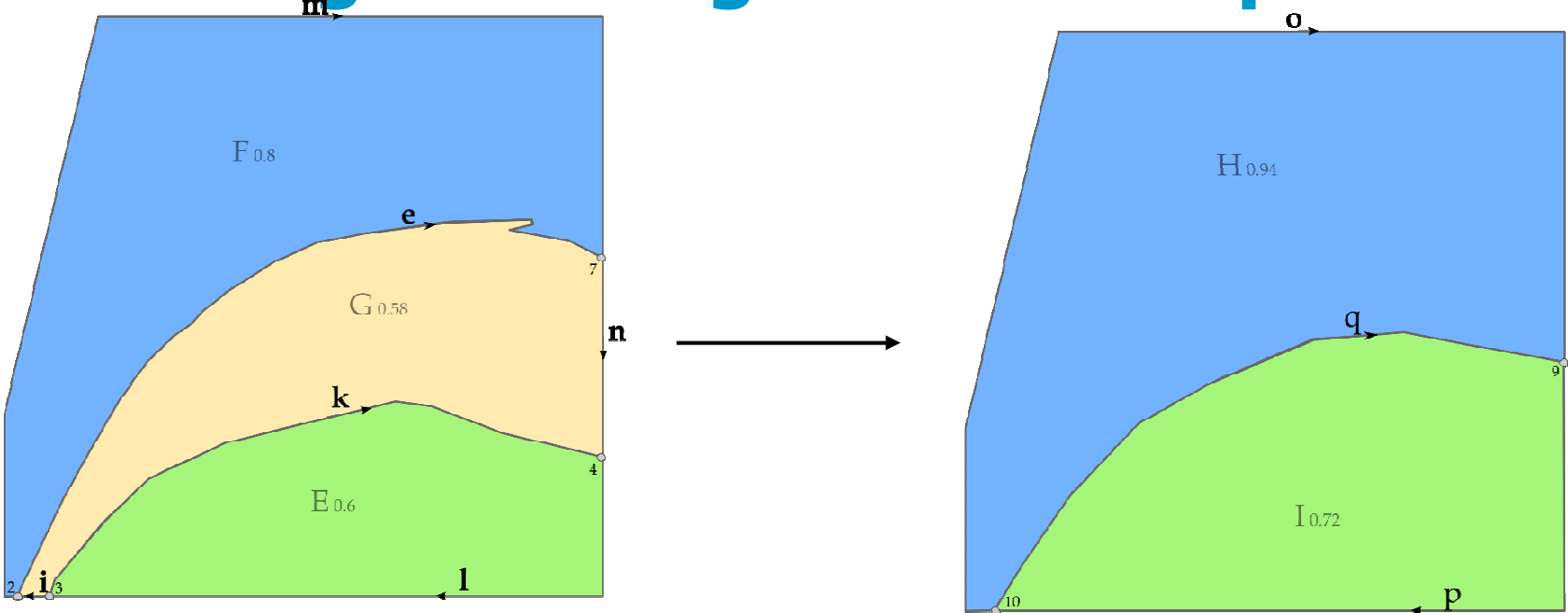
Building tGAP edge forest: step 1



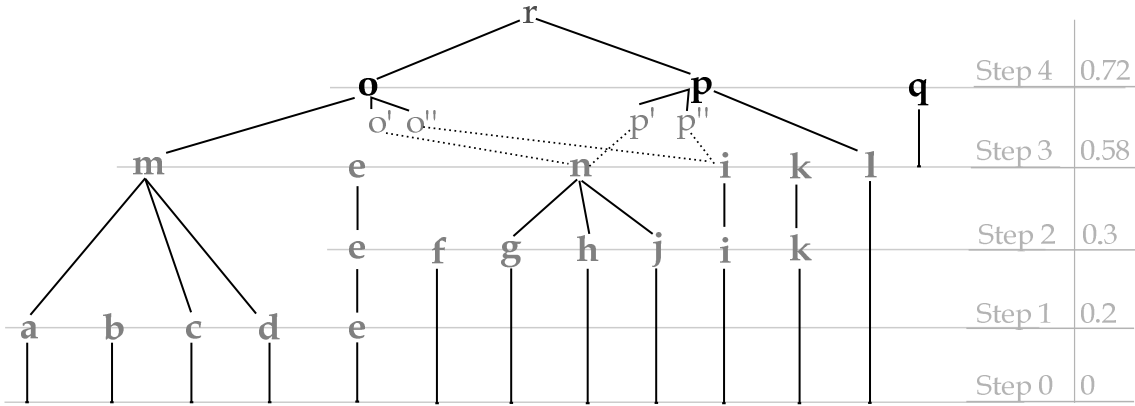
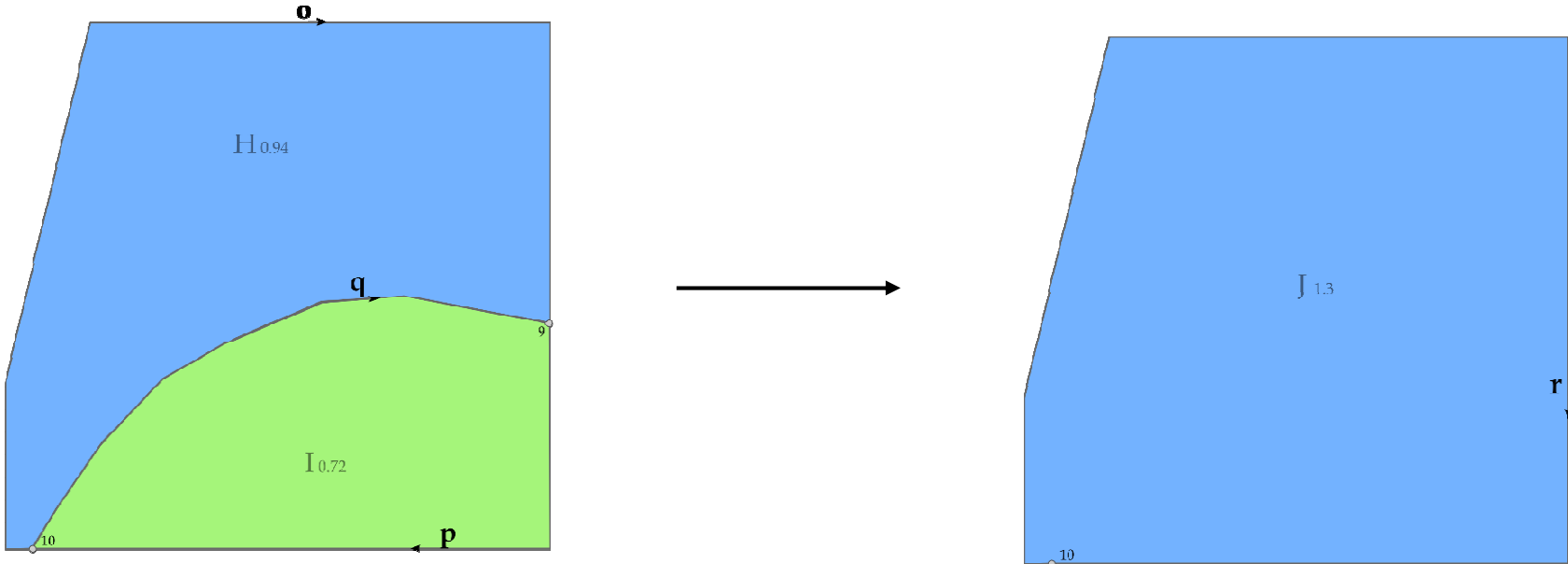
Building tGAP edge forest: step 2



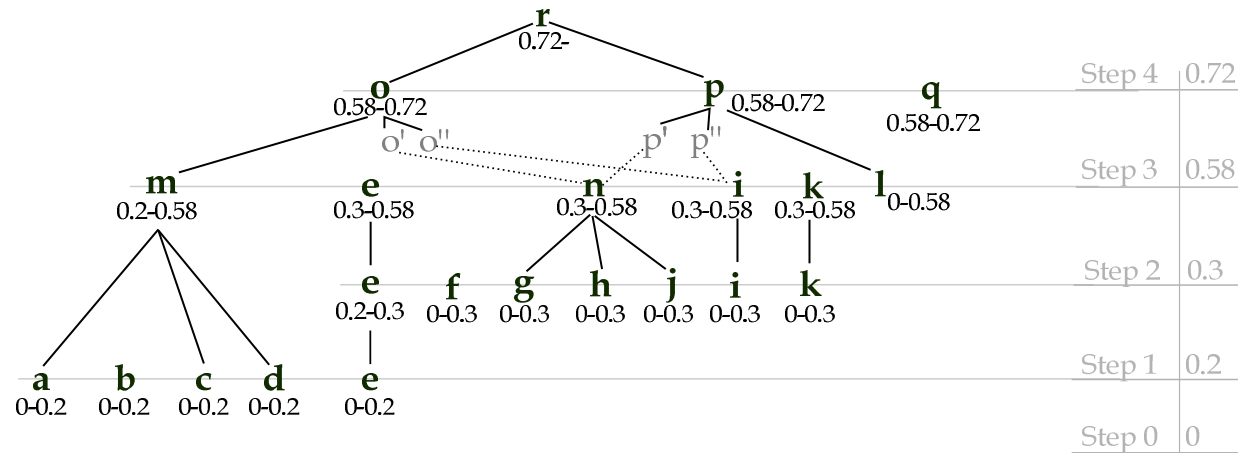
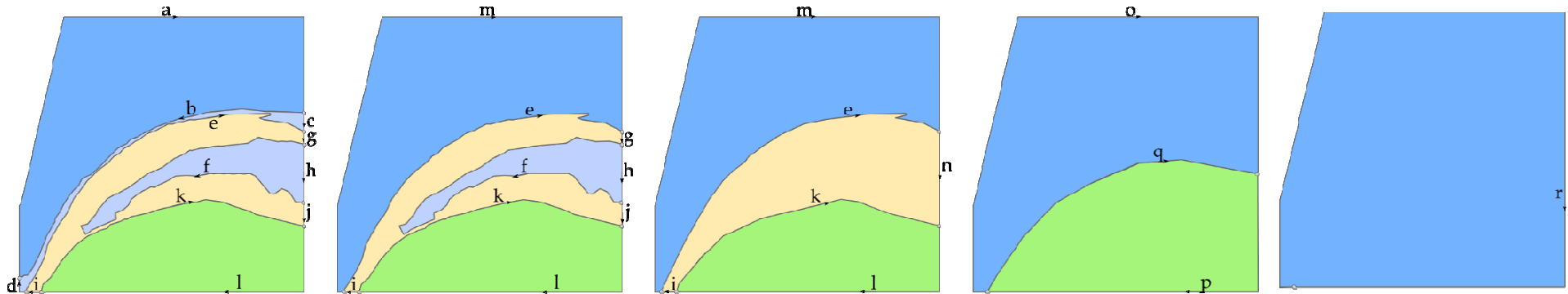
Building tGAP edge forest: step 3



Building tGAP edge forest: step 4

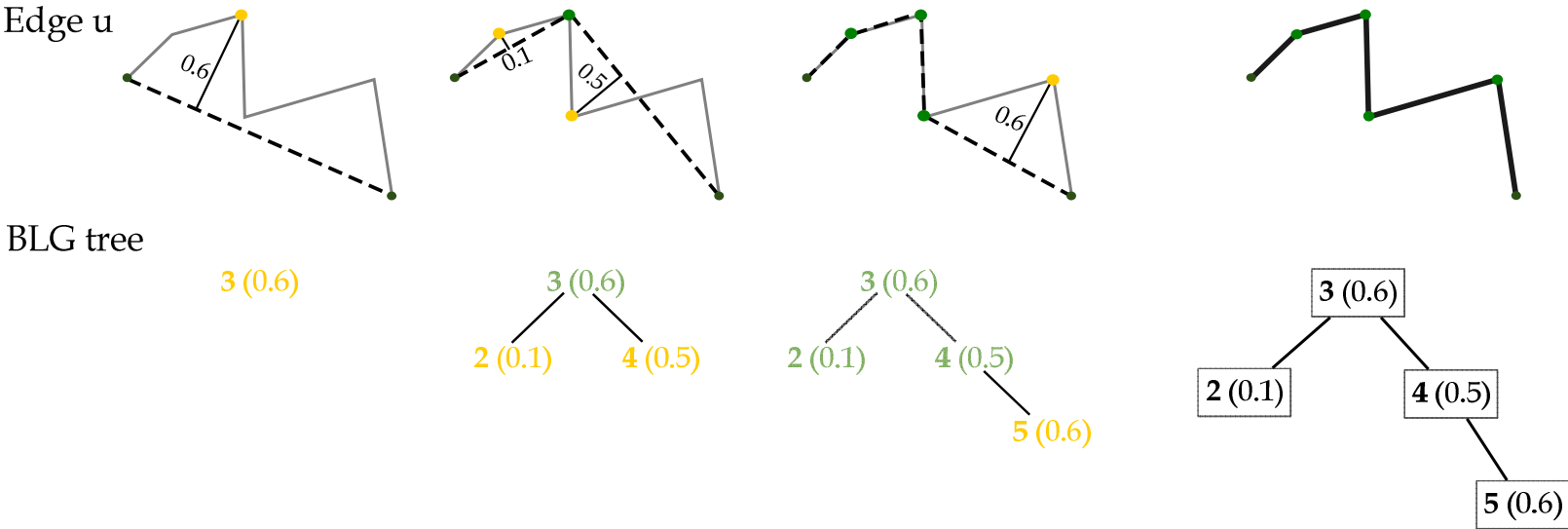


Complete tGAP edge forest



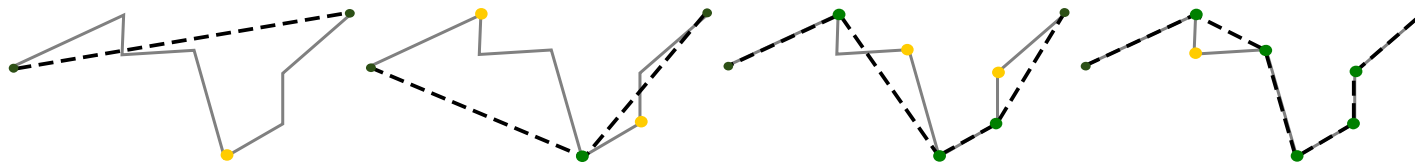
BLG edge trees

- Douglas-Peucker algorithm for edge simplification
- Results stored in a BLG tree

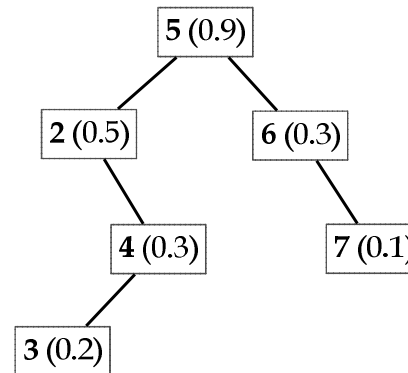


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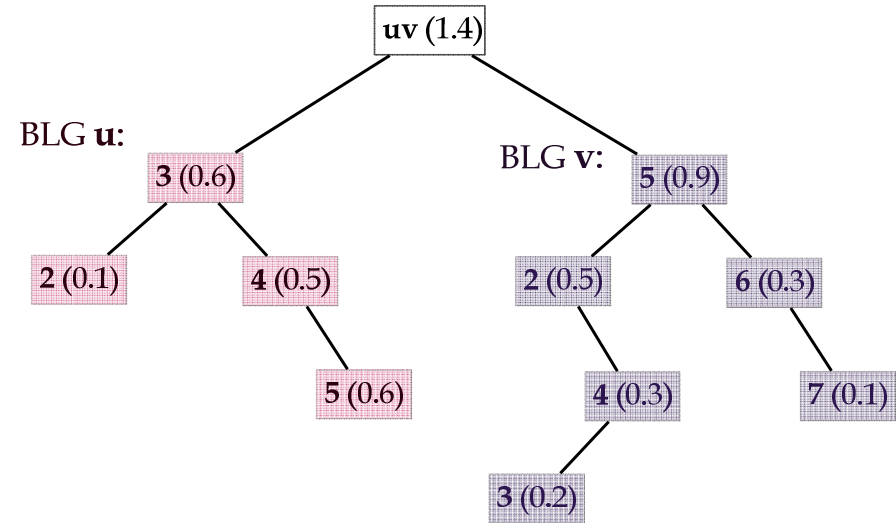
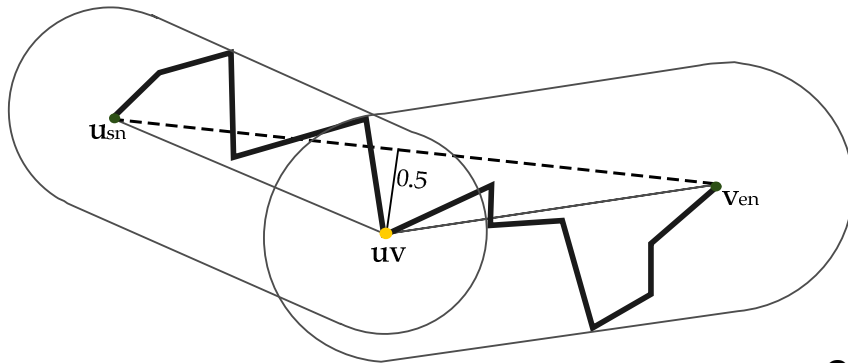
- BLG tree of another edge, v :



v : BLG tree



Joined BLG trees

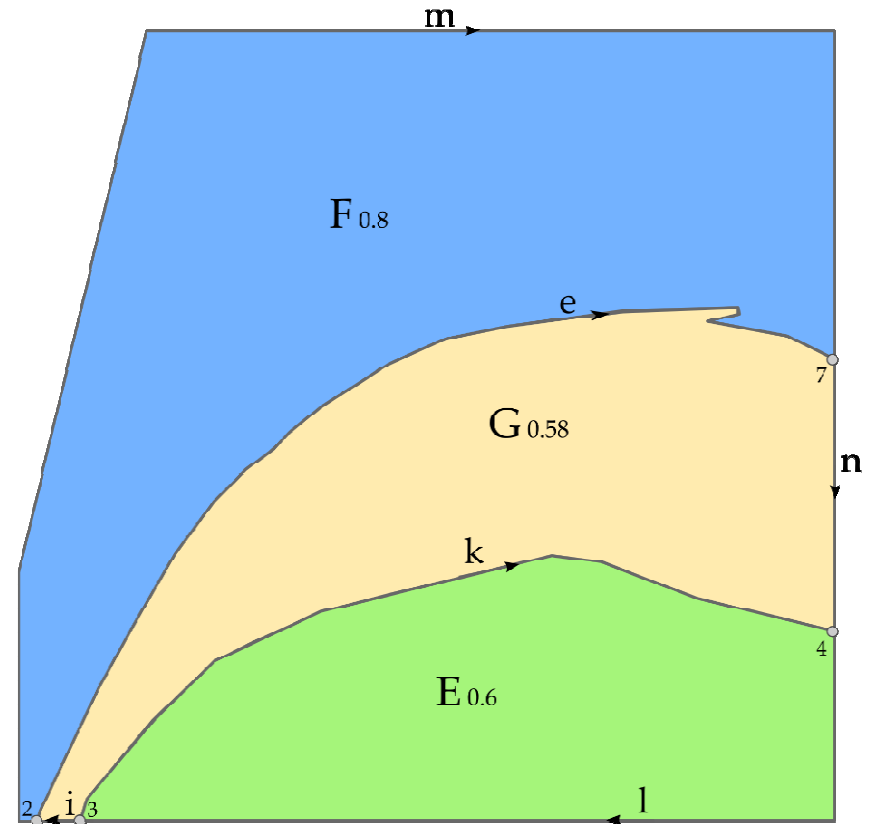
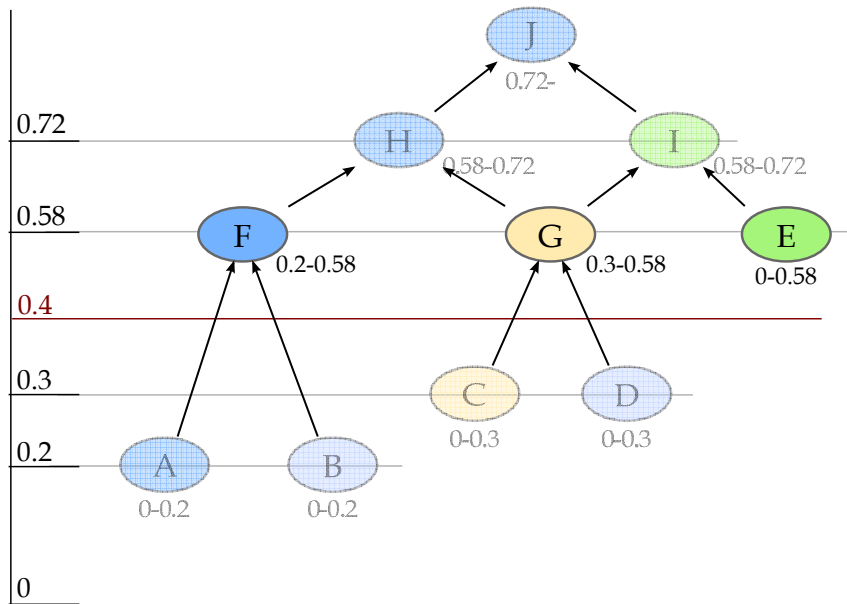


$$\text{err}_{uv} = \text{dist}(\text{point}(uv), \text{line}(u_{sn}, v_{en})) + \max\{\text{err}_u, \text{err}_v\} =$$

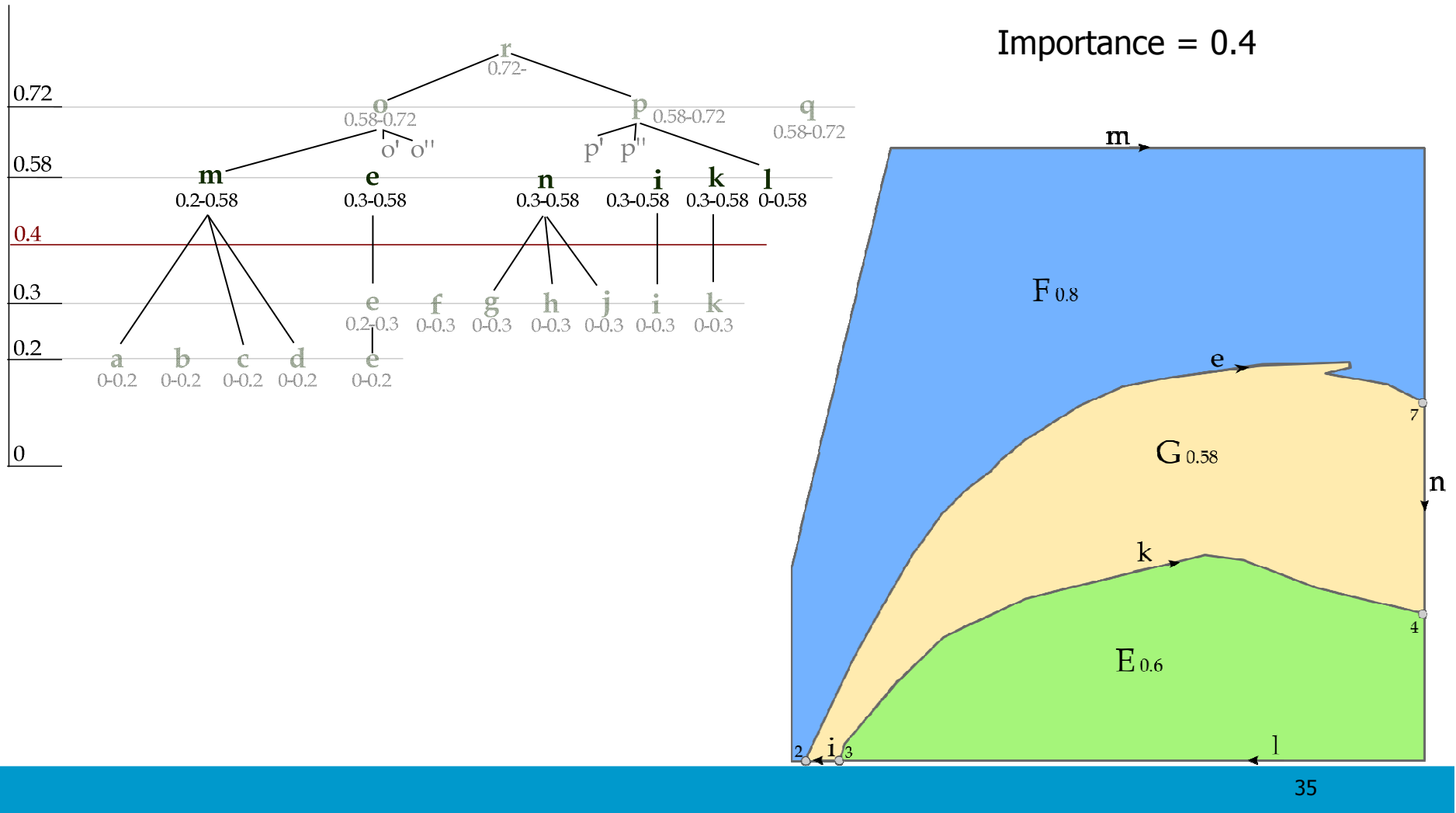
$$0.5 + \max\{0.6, 0.9\} = 0.5 + 0.9 = 1.4$$

Using DAG hierarchy for selection

Importance = 0.4

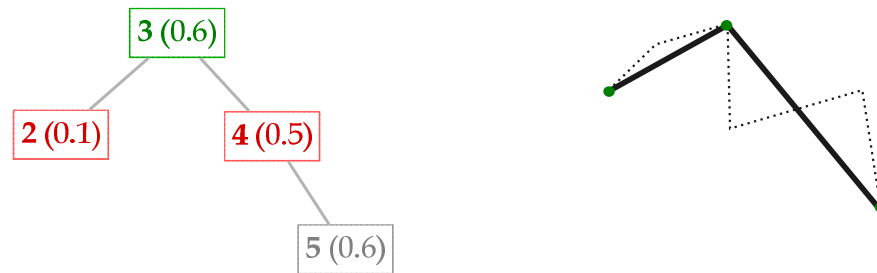


Using edge forest for selection



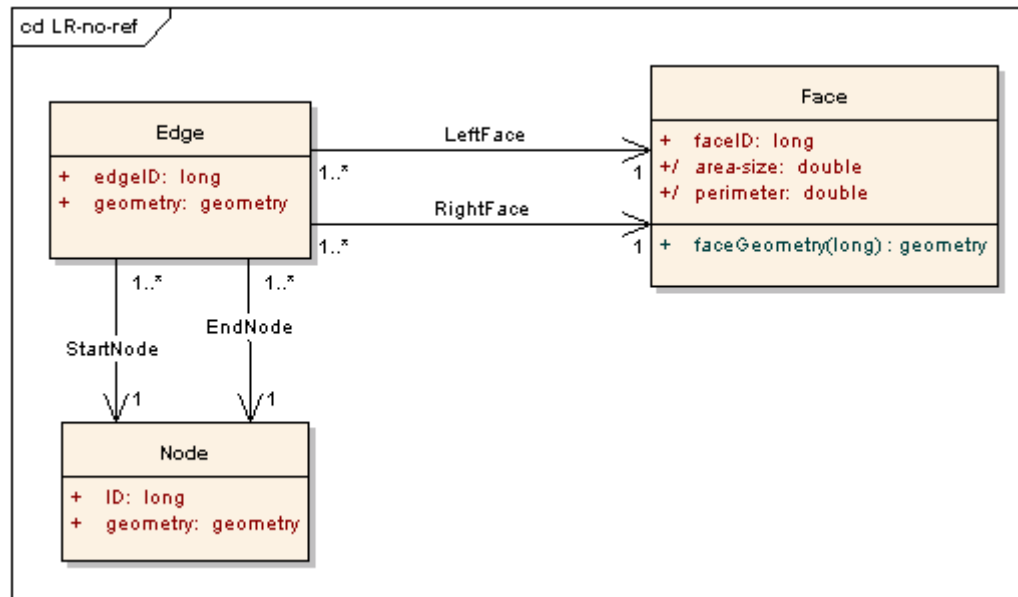
Using BLG trees for edge simplification

- Selecting vertices of BLG tree \mathbf{u} for tolerance = 0.52

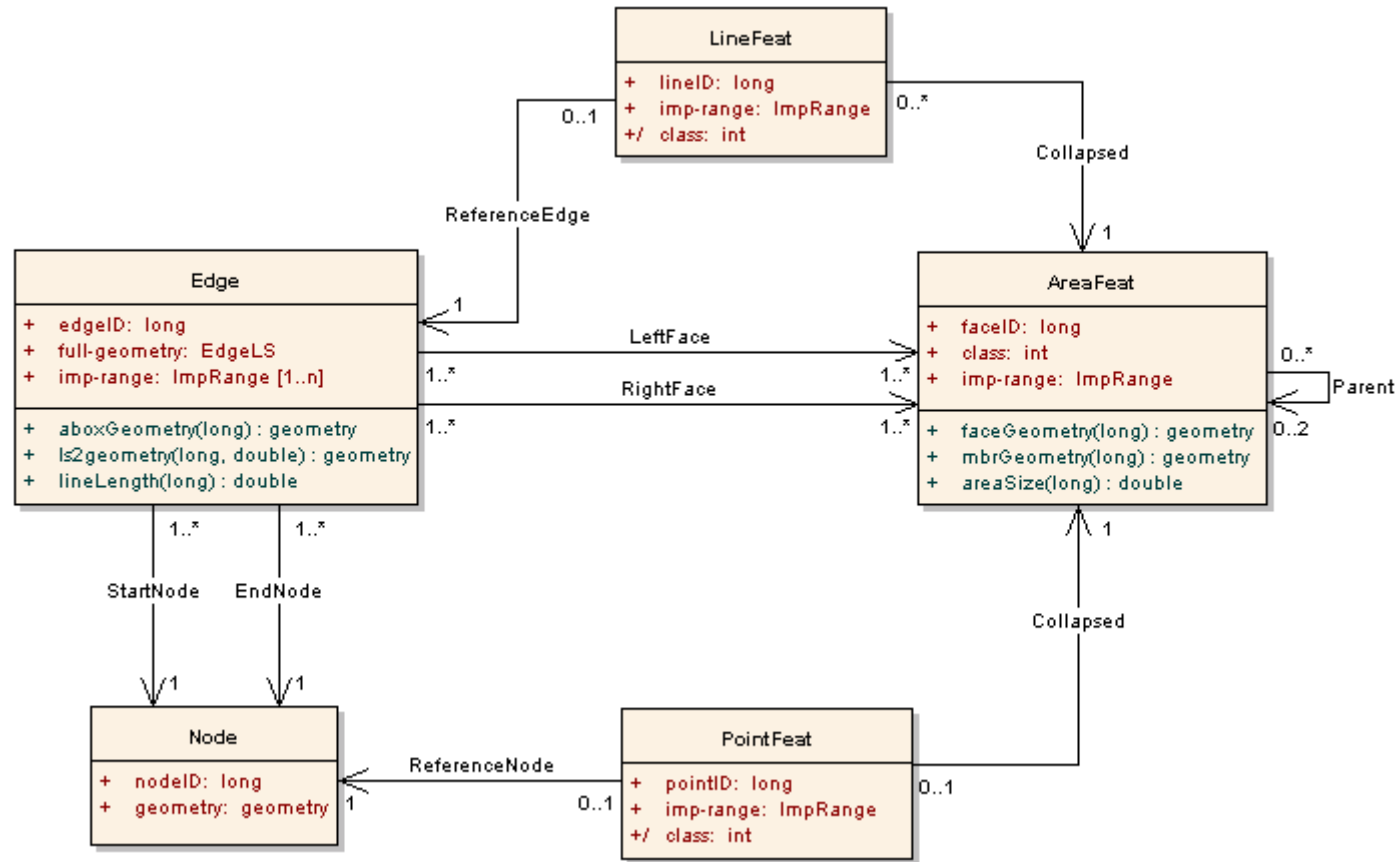


Implementation

Left-Right topology without edge references



Implementation: tGAP classes



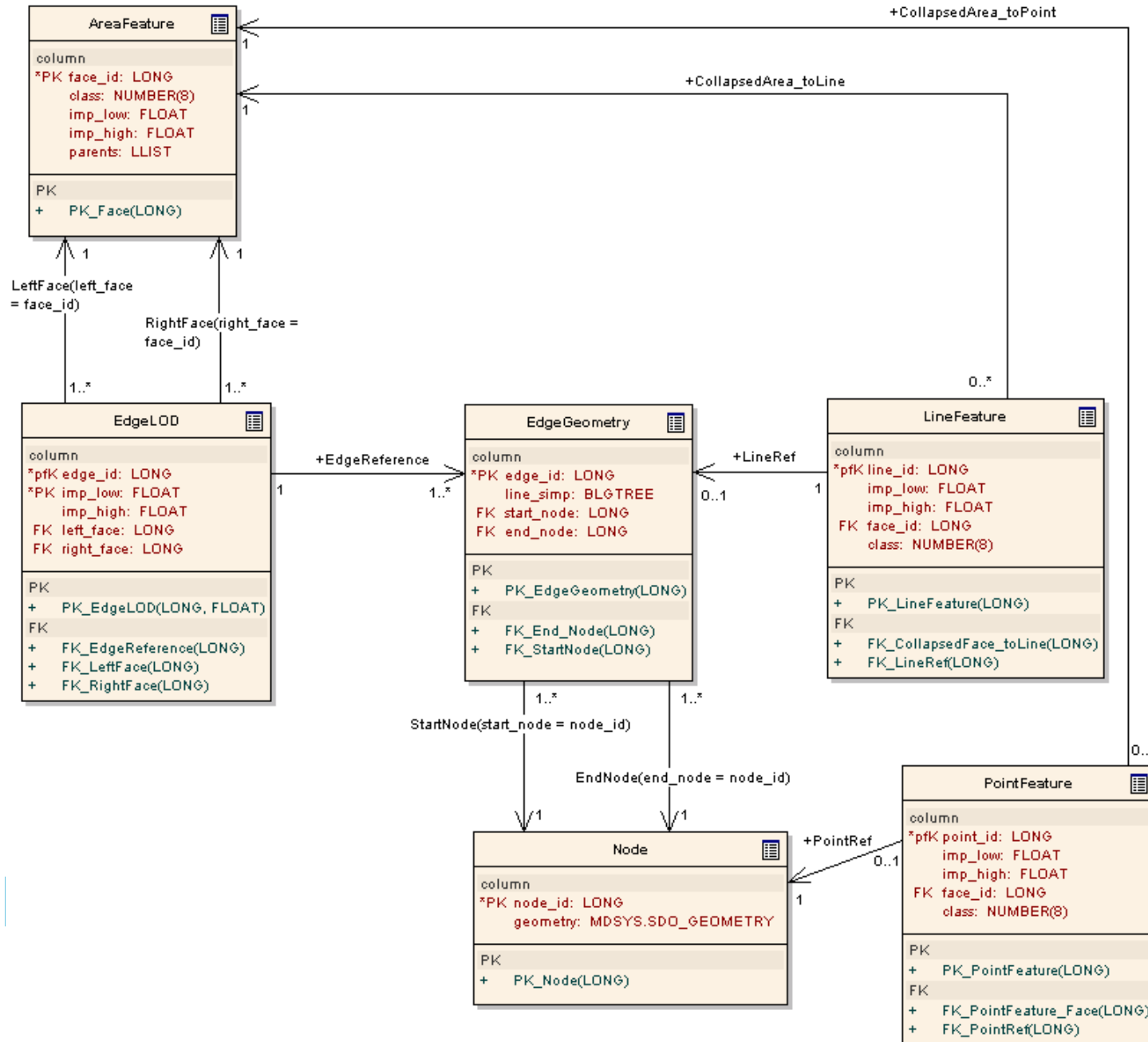
Implementation: new data types

- Data type for (variable detail) edge geometry

```
struct BLGTREE {  
    double x_coord;  
    double y_coord;  
    float tolerance;  
    struct BLGTREE *left_node;  
    struct BLGTREE *right_node;  
}
```

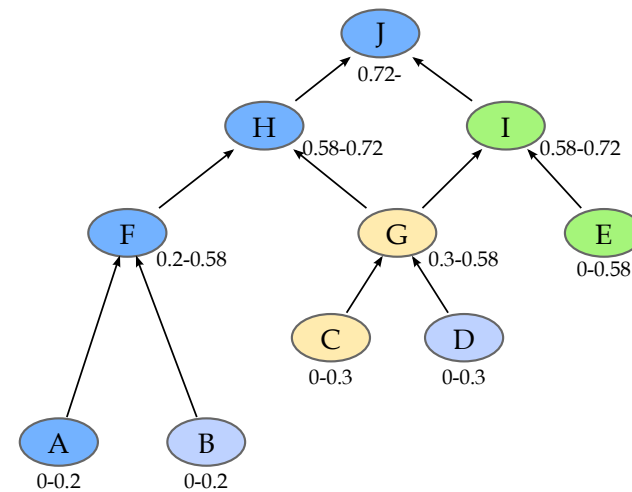
For joined BLG trees left & right_node refer to left & right BLG trees

Implementation: tGAP tables



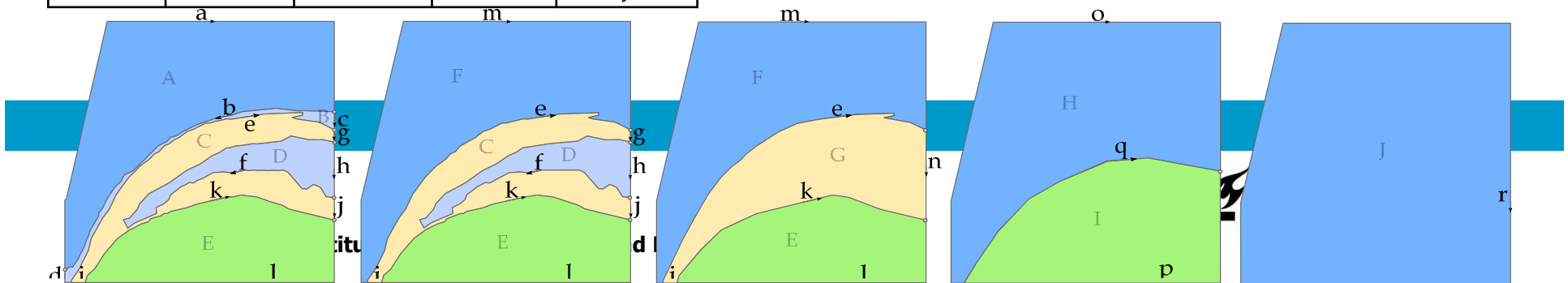
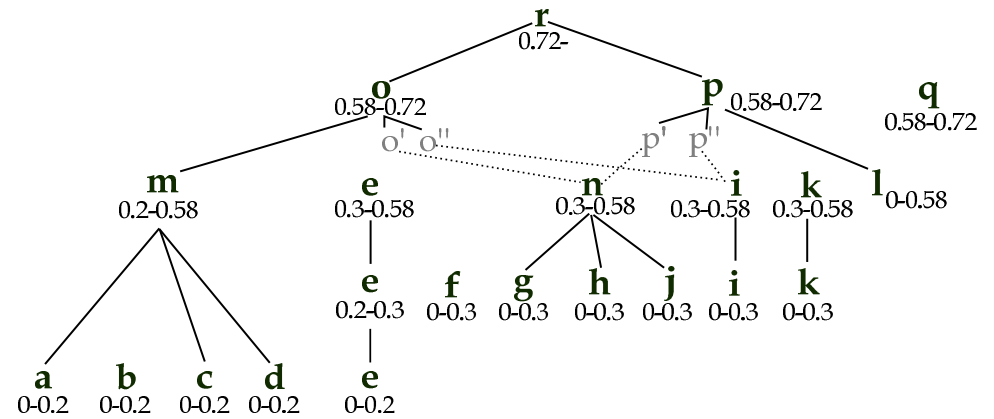
Implementation: AreaFeature table

AreaFeature				
face-id	class	imp-low	imp-high	parents
A	1	0	0.2	F
B	3	0	0.2	F
C	2	0	0.3	G
D	3	0	0.3	G
E	4	0	0.58	I
F	1	0.2	0.58	H
G	2	0.3	0.58	H, I
H	1	0.58	0.72	J
I	4	0.58	0.72	J
J	1	0.72		



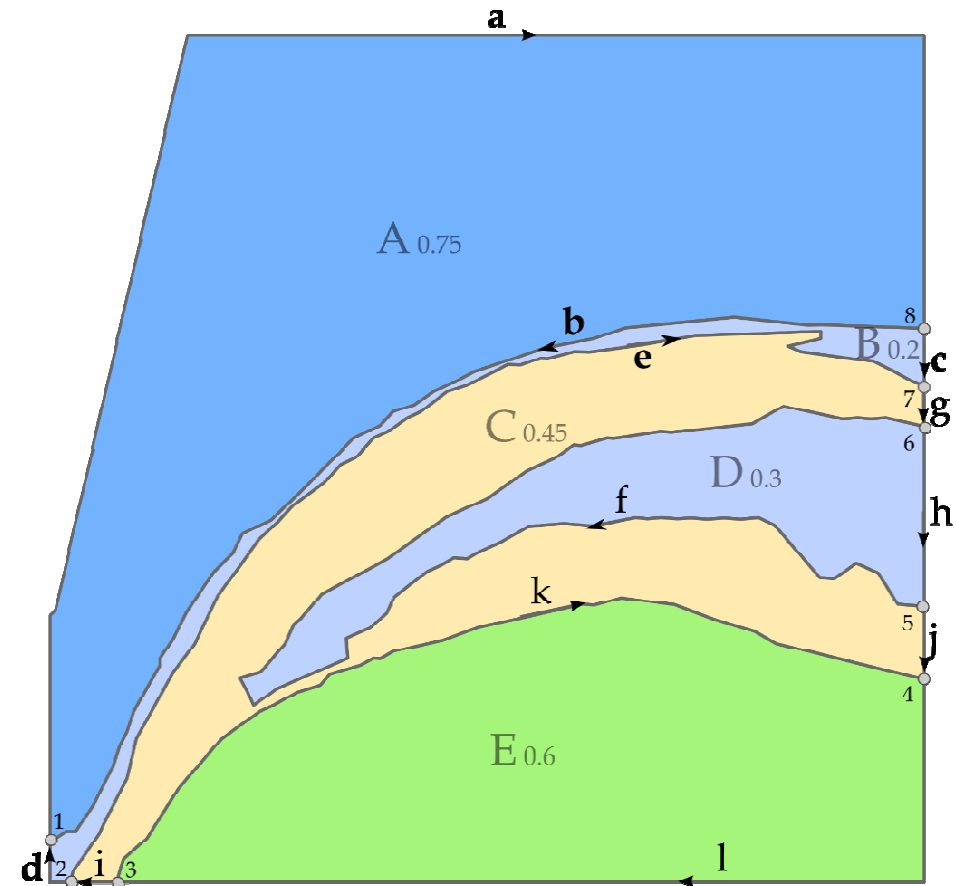
EdgeLOD				
edge-id	imp-low	imp-high	left-face	right-face
a	0	0.2	0	A
b	0	0.2	B	A
c	0	0.2	0	B
d	0	0.2	0	B
e	0	0.2	B	C
f	0	0.3	C	D
g	0	0.3	0	C
h	0	0.3	0	D
i	0	0.3	0	C
j	0	0.3	0	C
k	0	0.3	C	E
e	0.2	0.3	F	C
l	0	0.58	0	E
m	0.2	0.58	0	F
e	0.3	0.58	F	G
i	0.3	0.58	0	G
k	0.3	0.58	G	E
n	0.3	0.58	0	G
o	0.58	0.72	0	H
p	0.58	0.72	0	I
q	0.58	0.72	H	I
r	0.72		0	J

EdgeLOD table



Implementation: EdgeGeometry table

EdgeGeometry			
edge-id	line-simp	start-node	end-node
a	<blgtree>	1	8
b	<blgtree>	8	1
c	<blgtree>	8	7
d	<blgtree>	2	1
e	<blgtree>	2	7
f	<blgtree>	5	6
g	<blgtree>	7	6
h	<blgtree>	6	5
i	<blgtree>	3	2
j	<blgtree>	5	4
k	<blgtree>	3	4
l	<blgtree>	4	3
m	<blgtree>	2	7
n	<blgtree>	7	4
o	<blgtree>	10	9
p	<blgtree>	9	10
q	<blgtree>	10	9
r	<blgtree>	10	10



More tGAP issues & further research

- Algorithm performing the off-line generalisation
- Mobile (or web) application
 - Progressive transfer
 - Visualisation on client
- Include other operators in generalisation process
- Updating tGAP structure
- ...

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