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# Bits & Atoms

# Computer Aided Design

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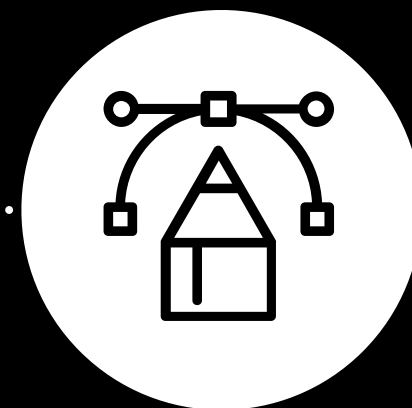
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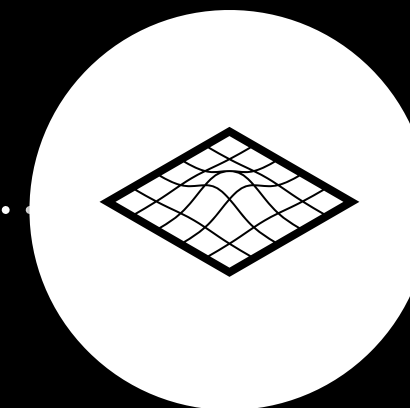
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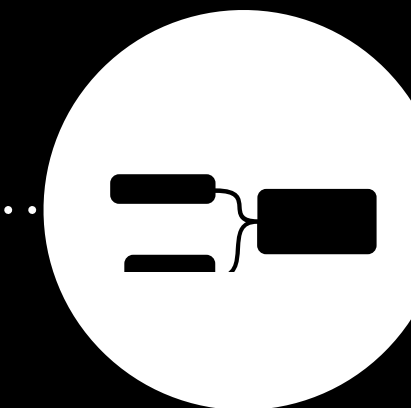
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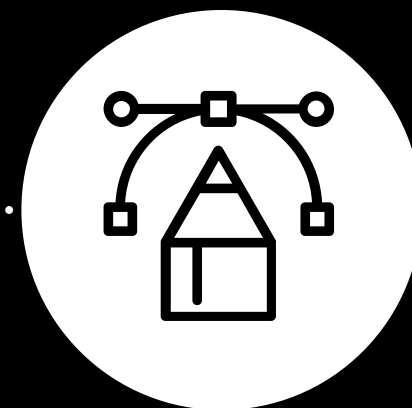
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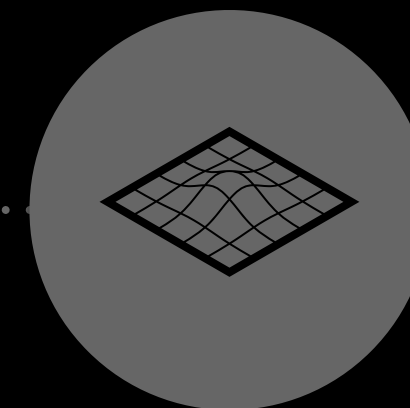
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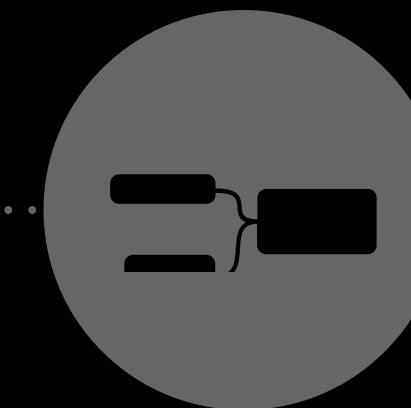
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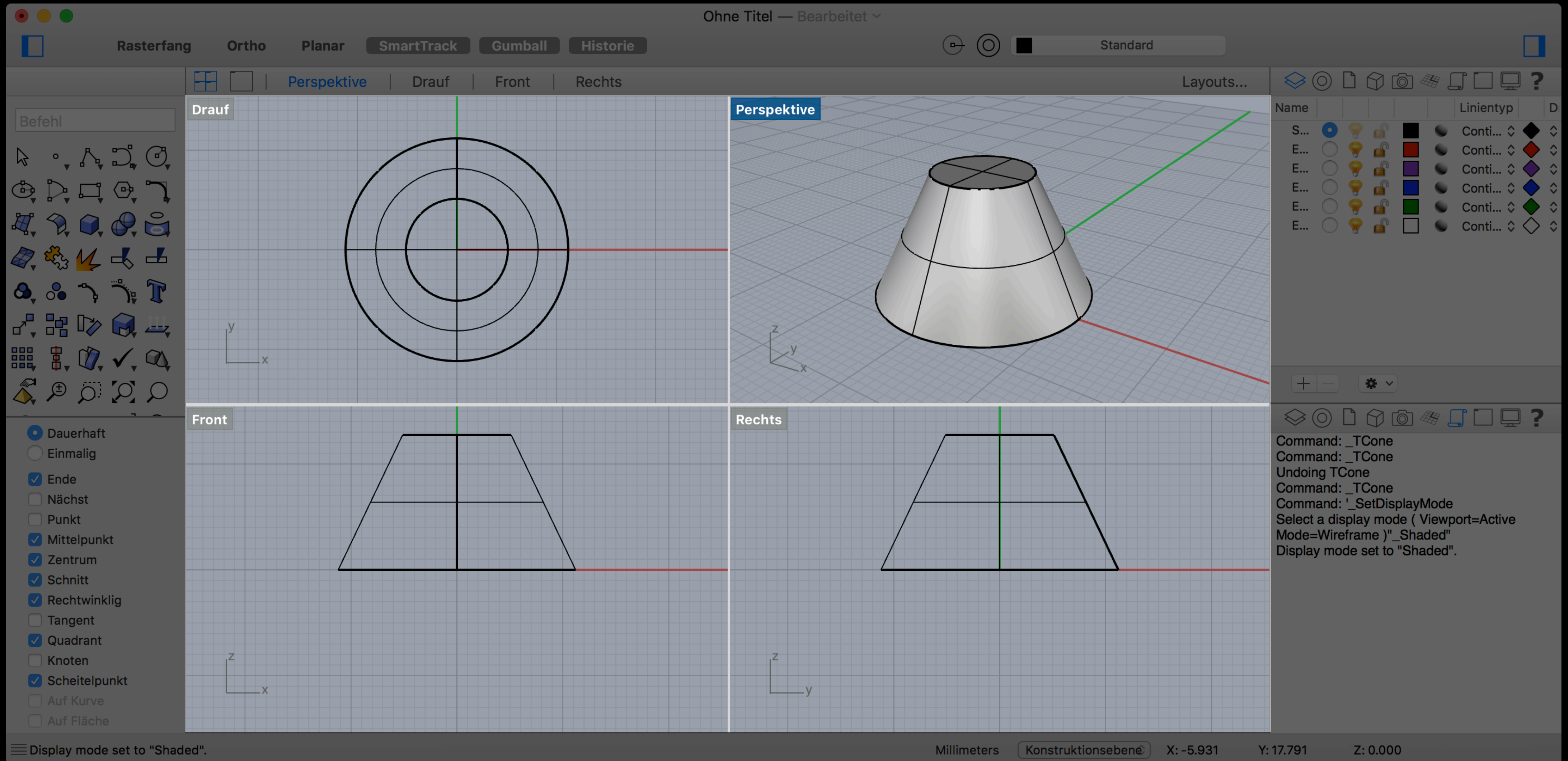
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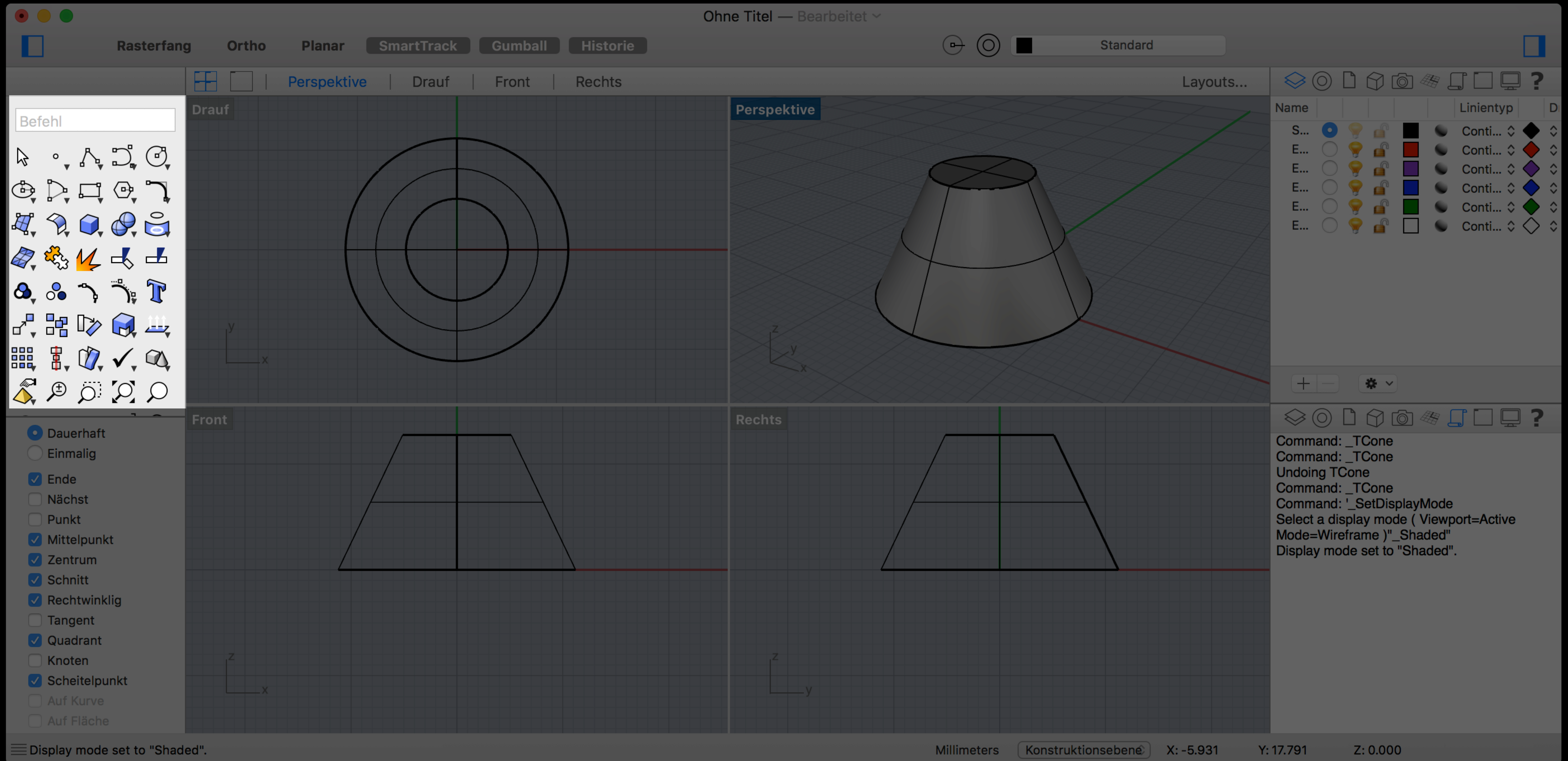
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## Interface - Editing



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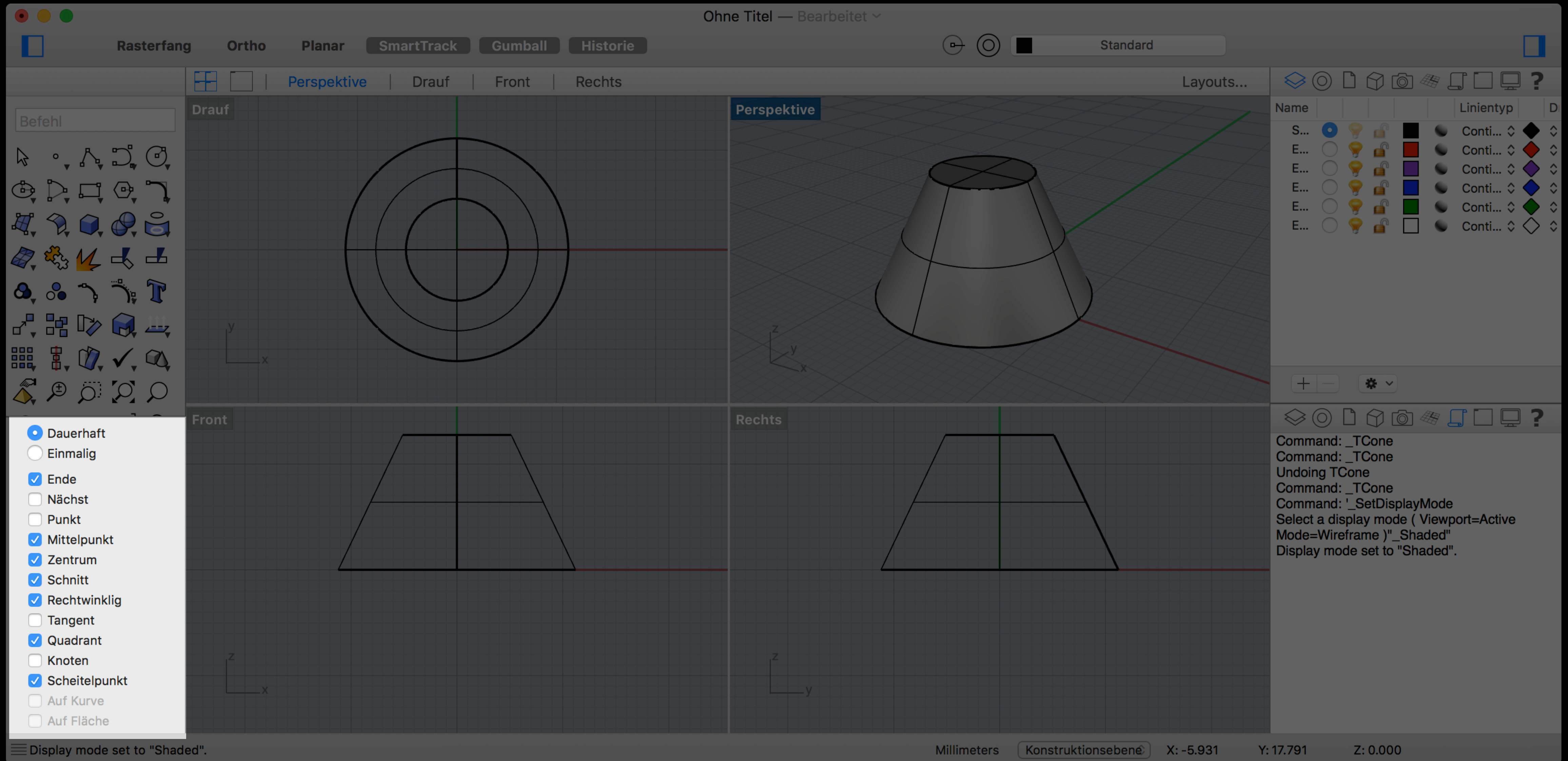
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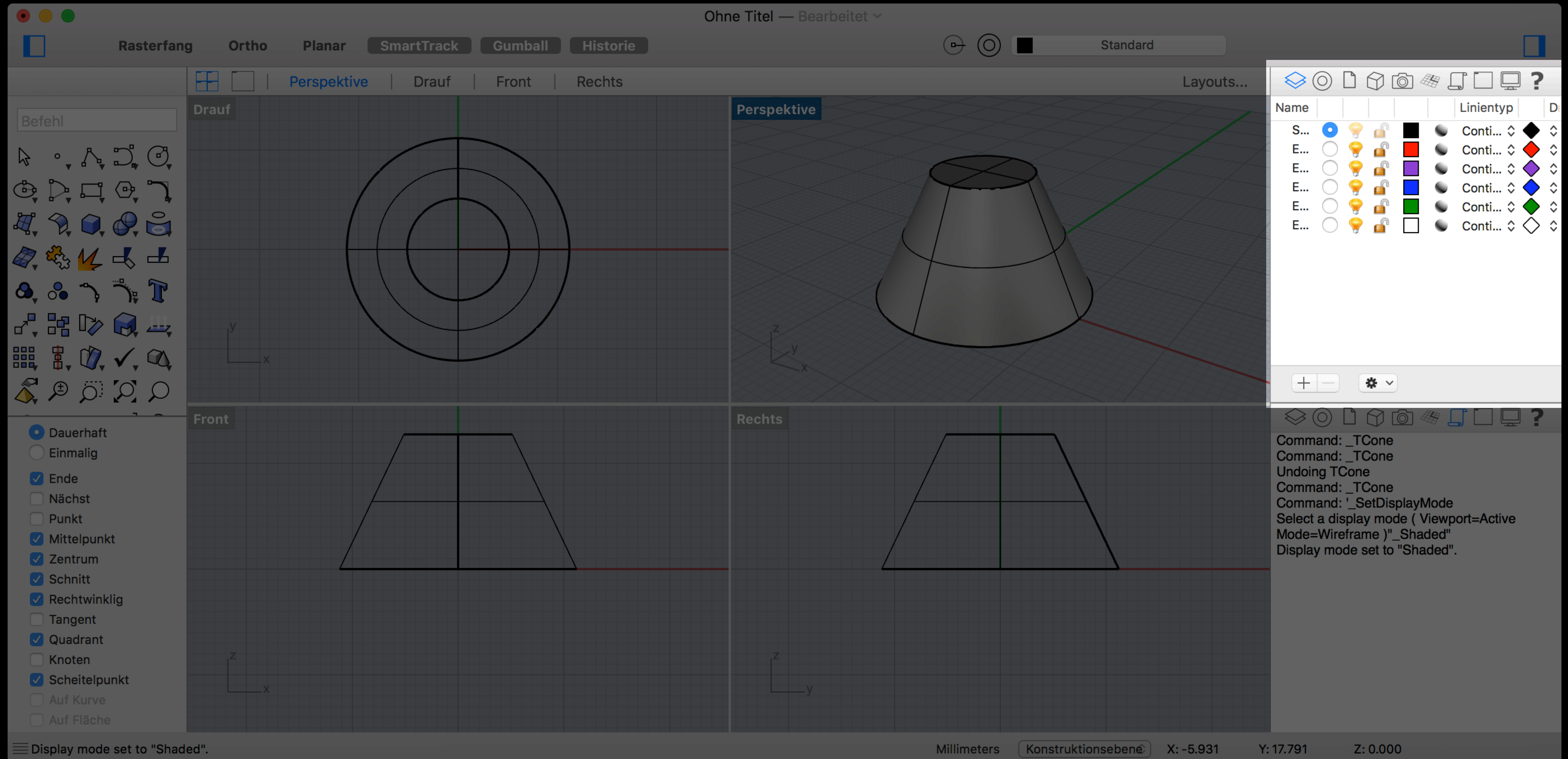
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## Interface - Editing



# Rhino 3D

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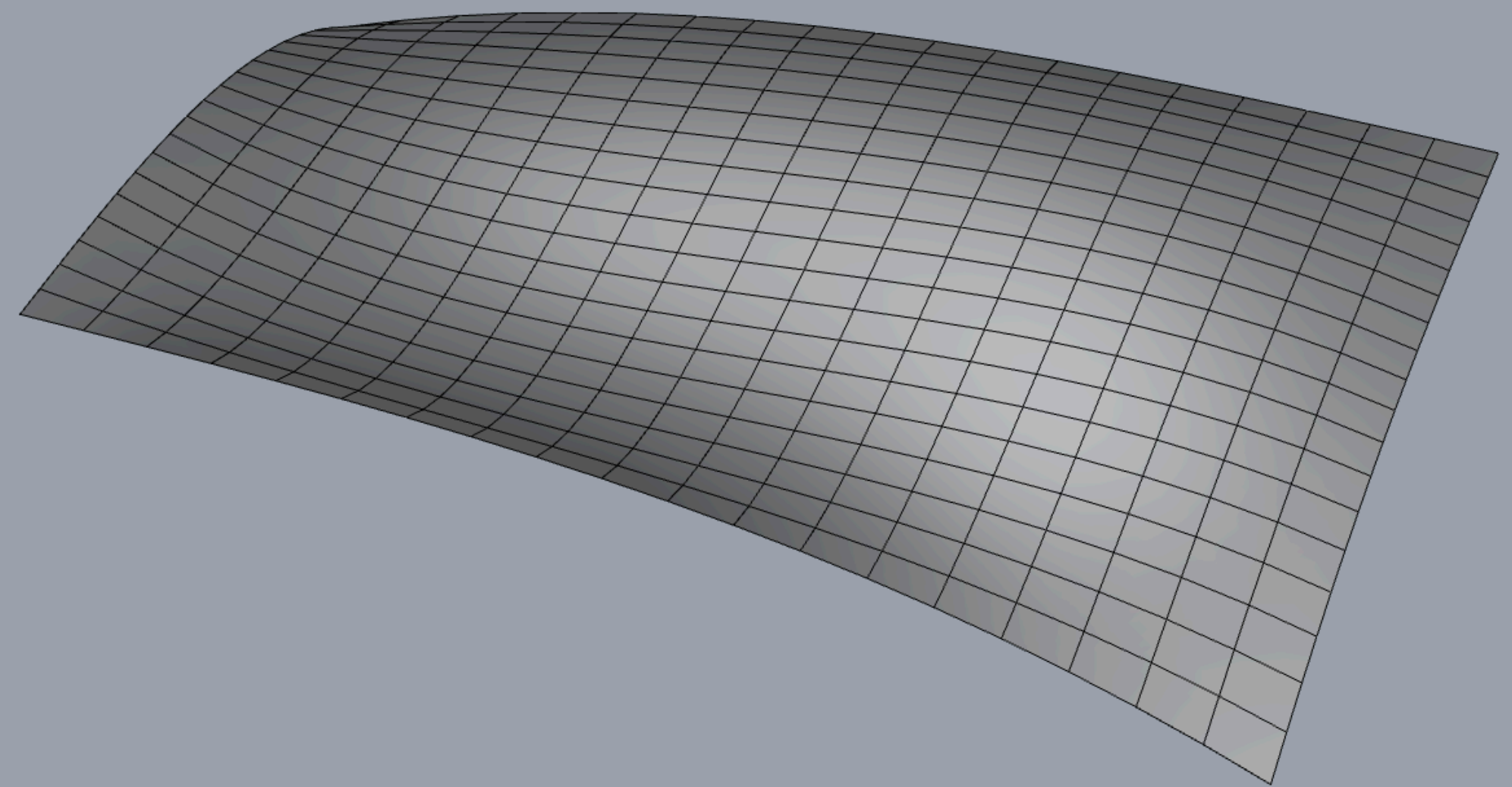
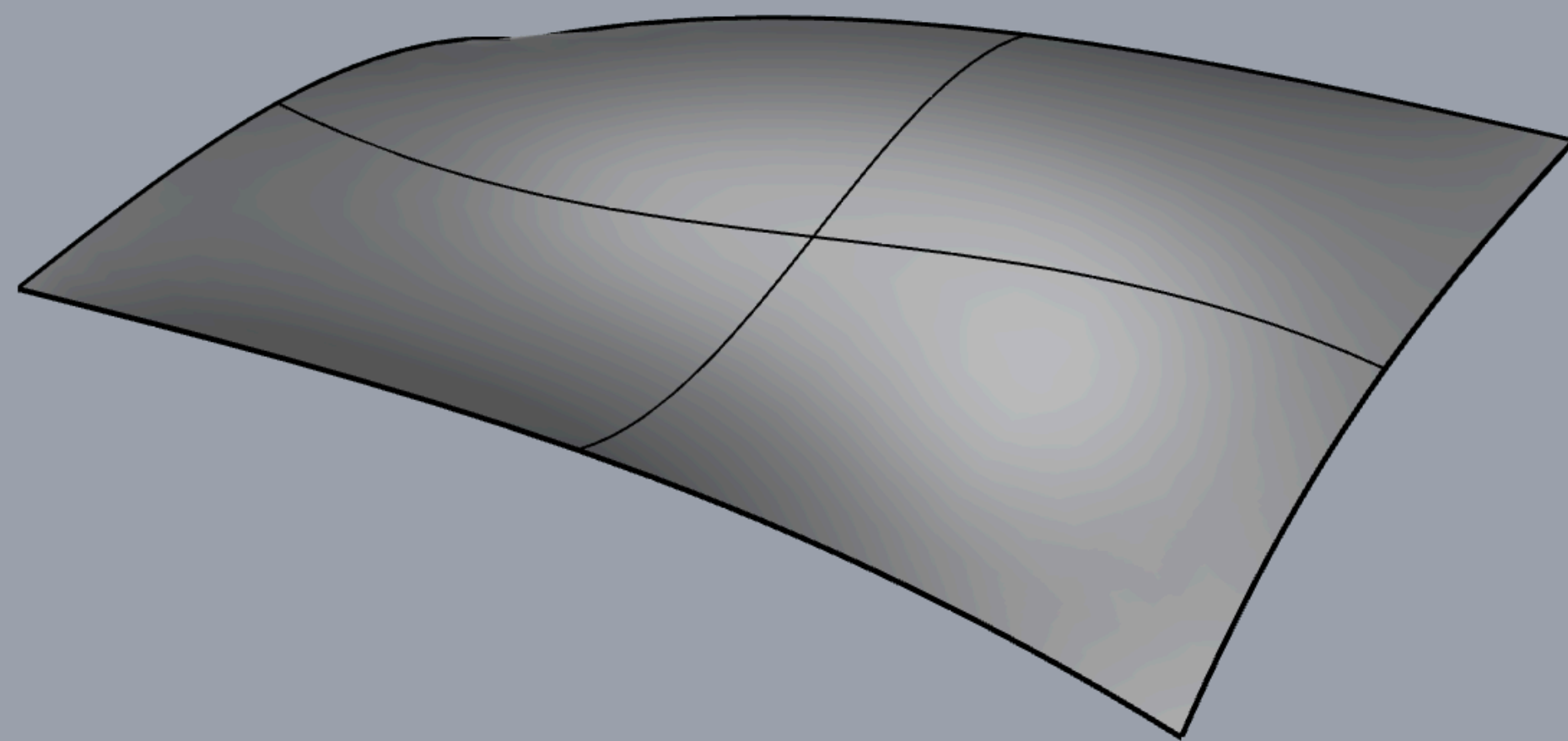


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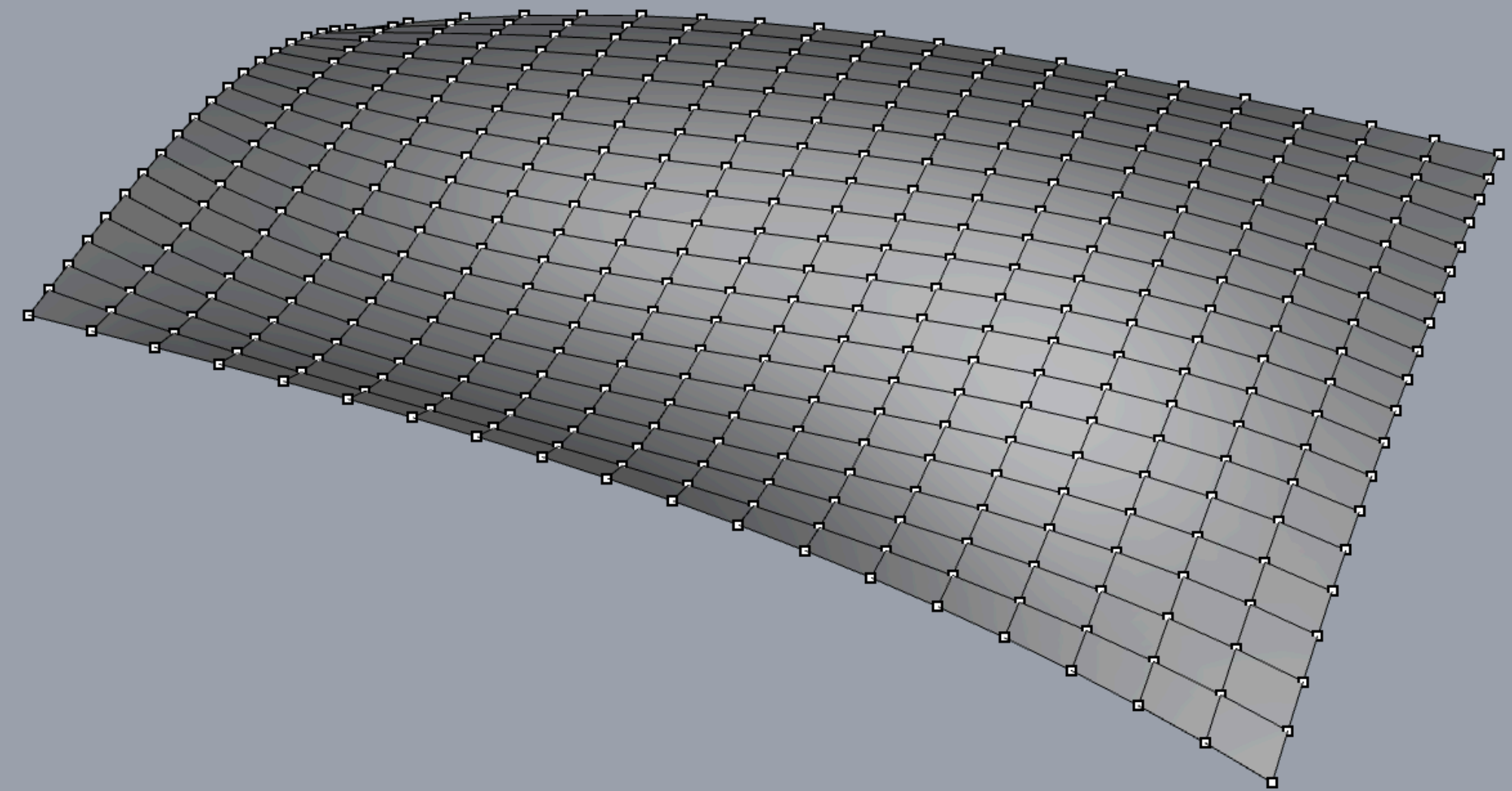
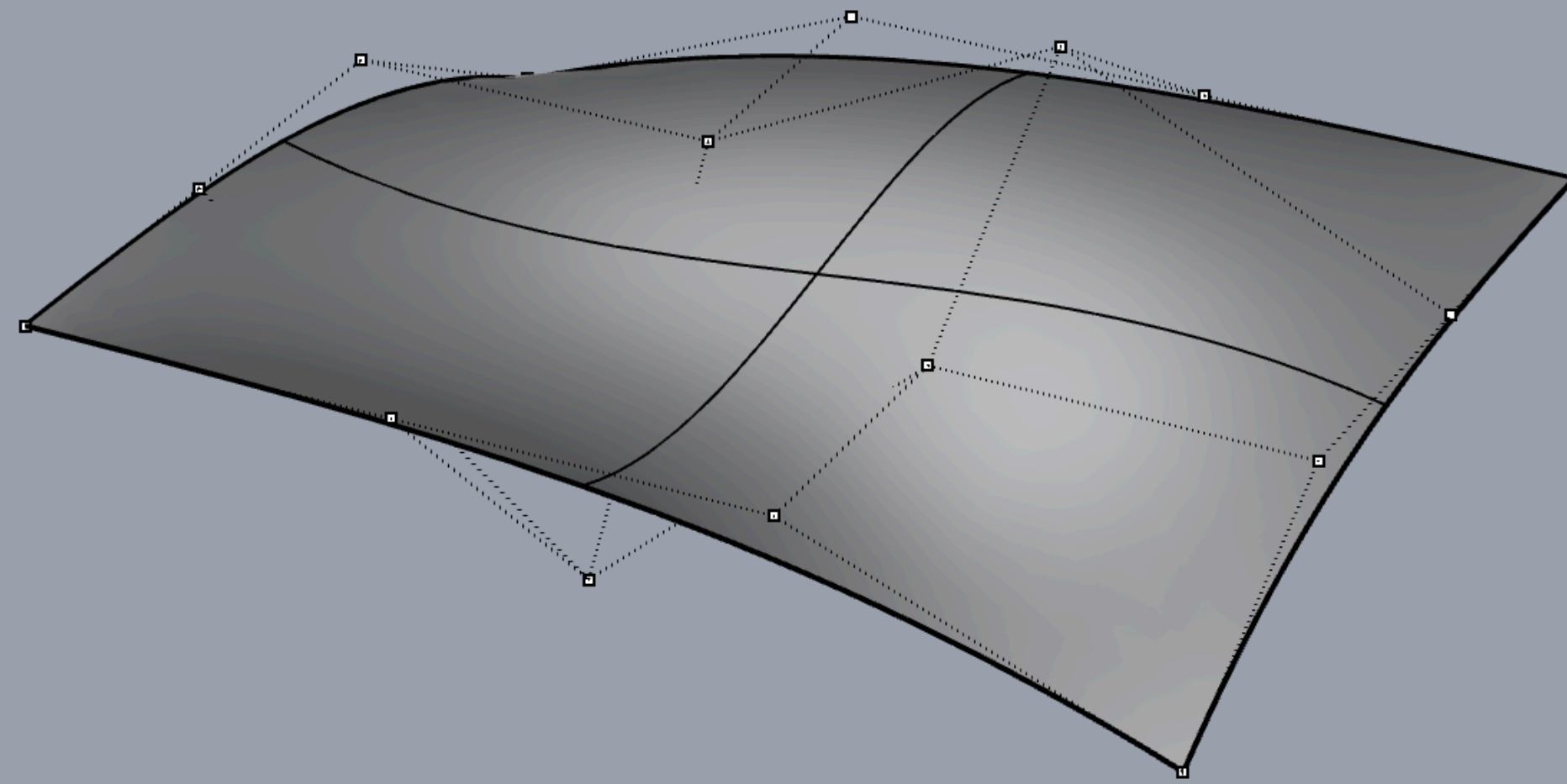
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## Nurbs vs. Polygons



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# Nurbs vs. Polygons





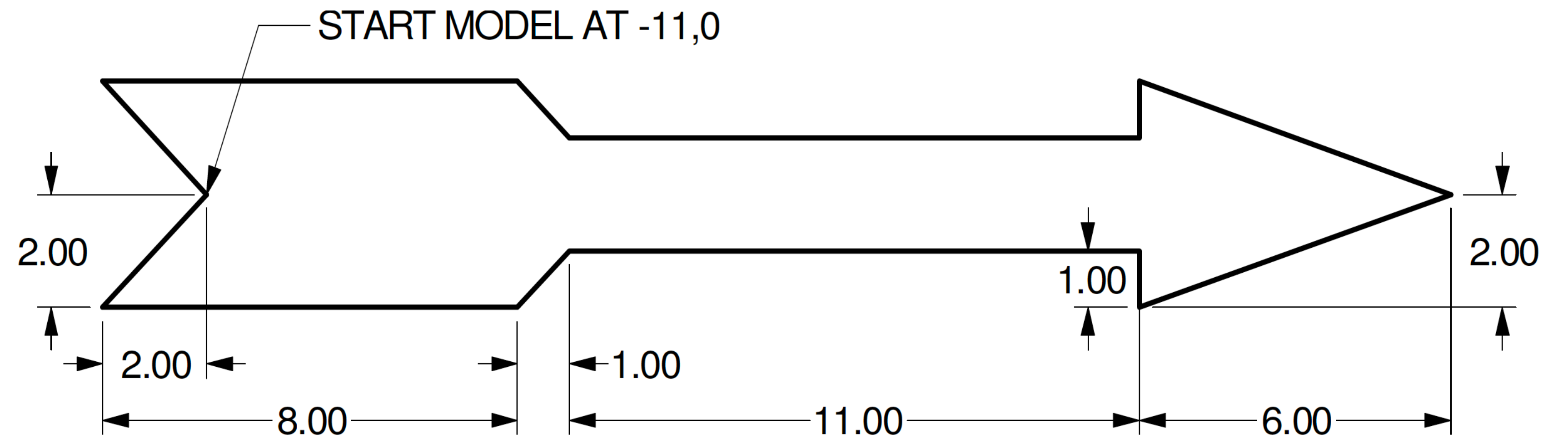
**EXERCISE01**

# **Create and Edit 2D Geometry**

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## EXERCISE01

### 2D & 3D Creation and Editing



#### create & edit 2D:

\_line, \_circle, \_curve, \_arc  
\_move / \_mirror / \_trim / \_extend  
\_EditPtOn

Use Osnap / Objektfang

Use Gridsnap / Rasterfang

#### create & edit 3D:

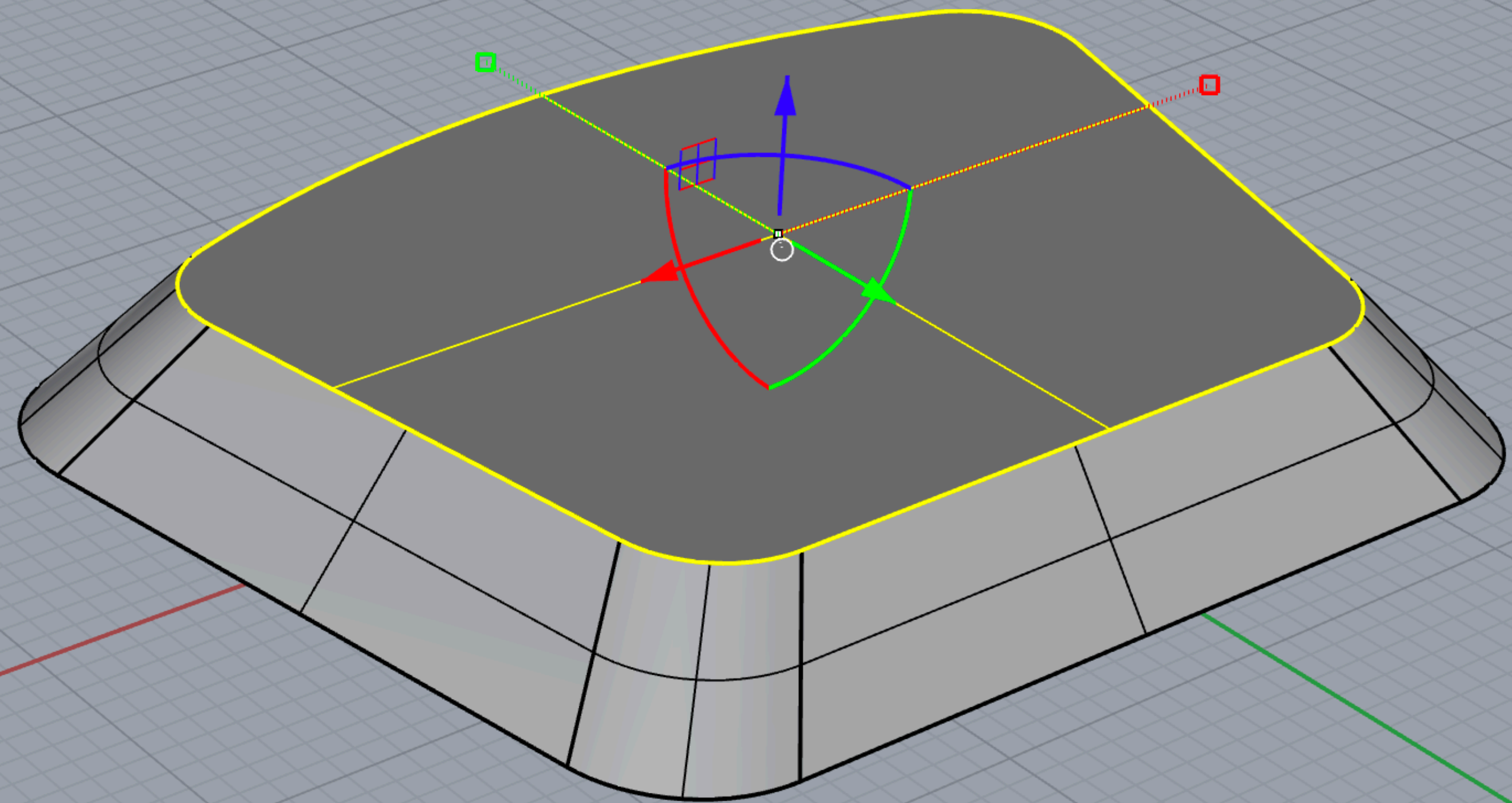
\_ExtrudeCrv





## EXERCISE03

# Modelling with Gumball



## Gumball Commands:

**move:** arrow handles

**scale:** square handles

**rotate:** circle segment handles

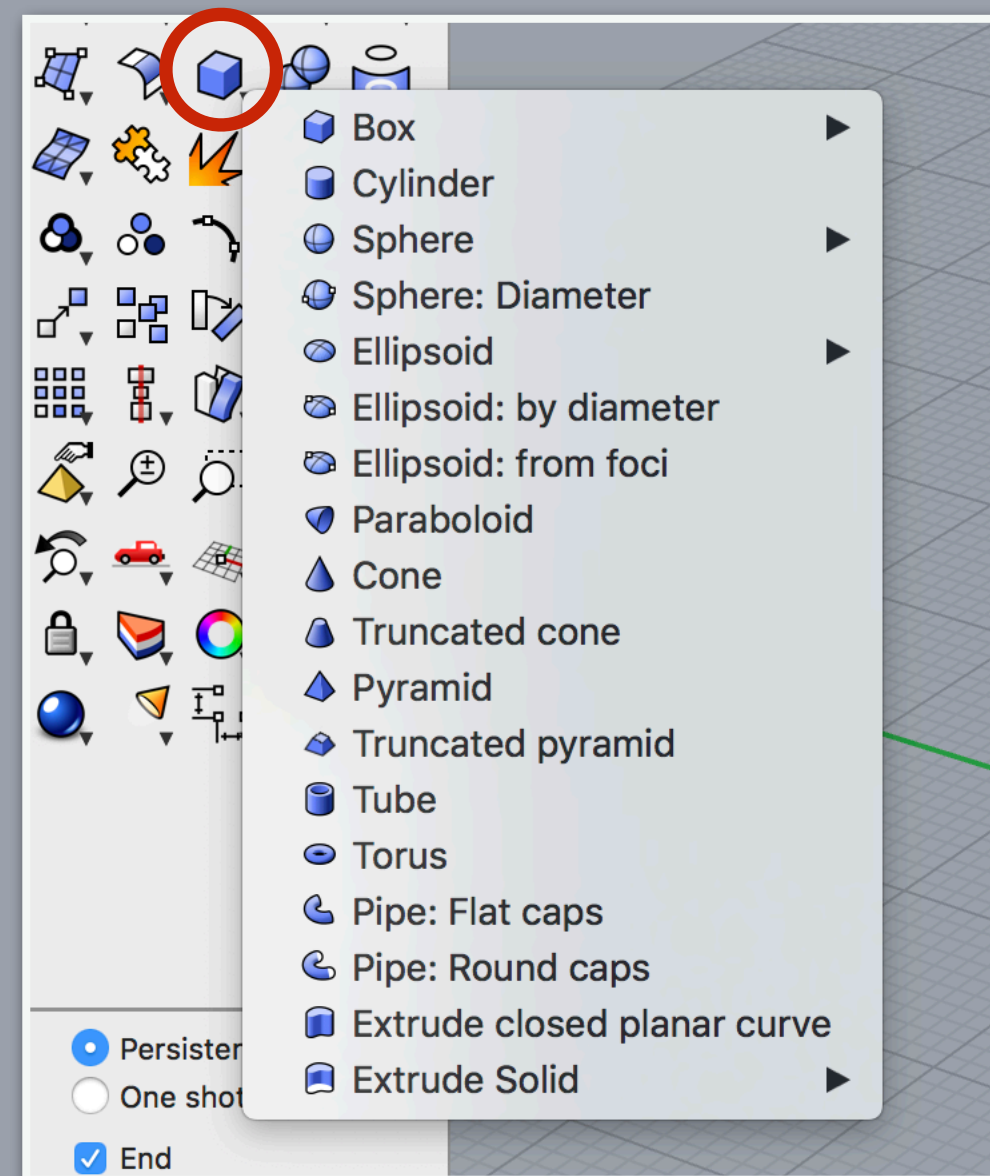
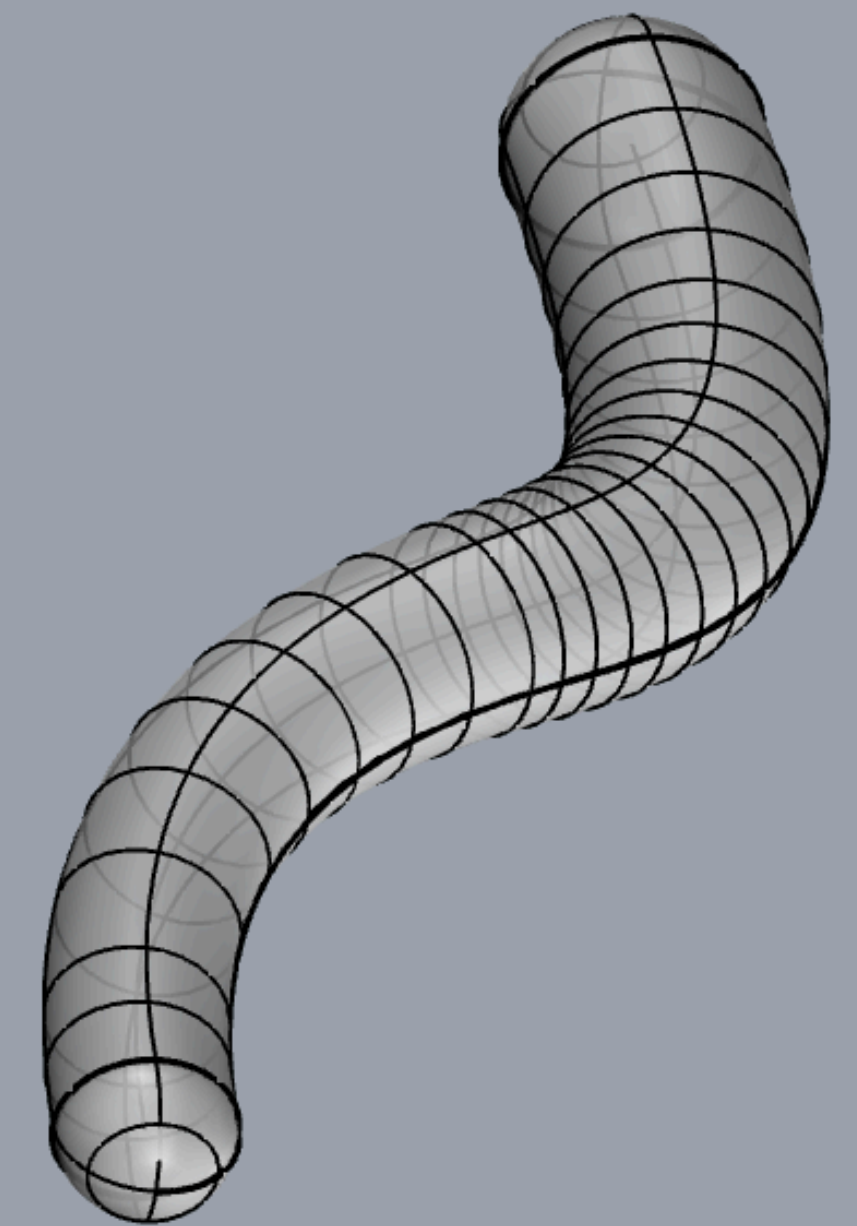
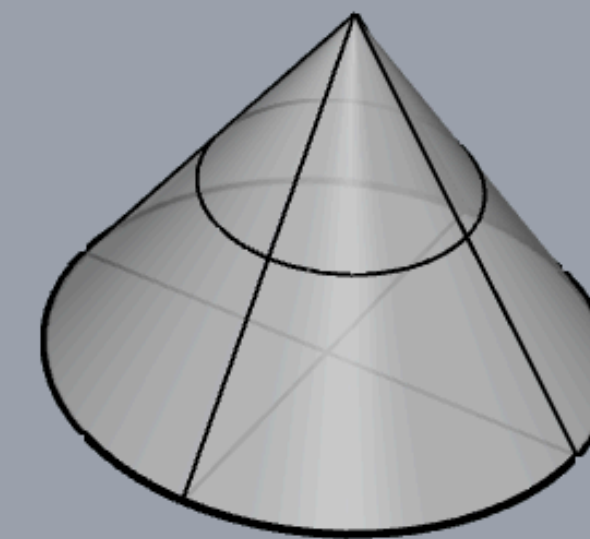
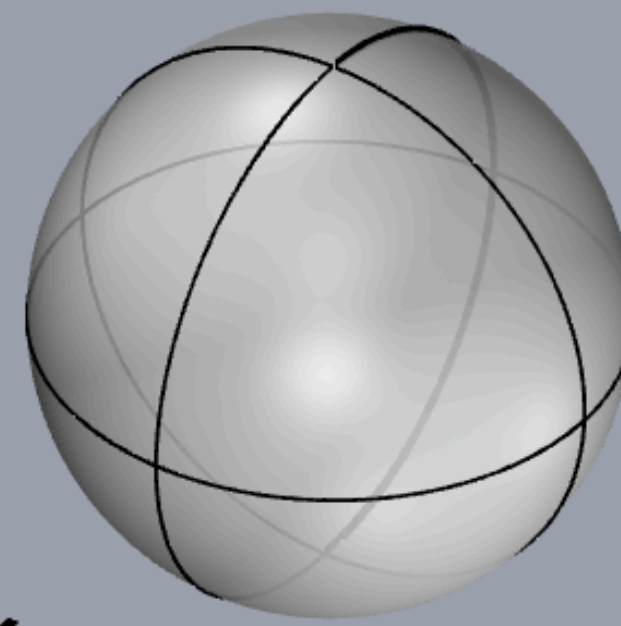
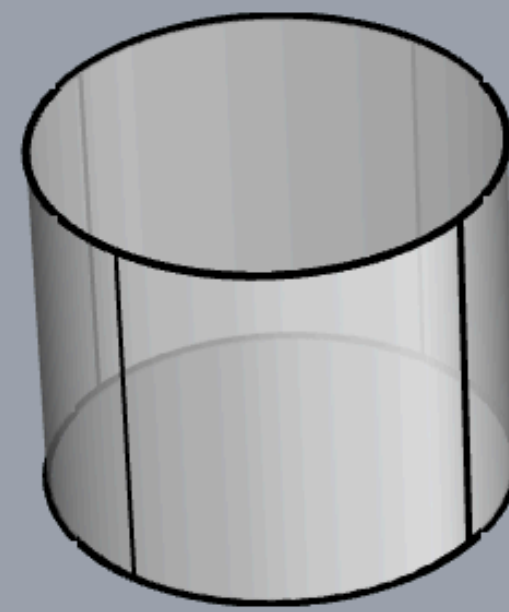
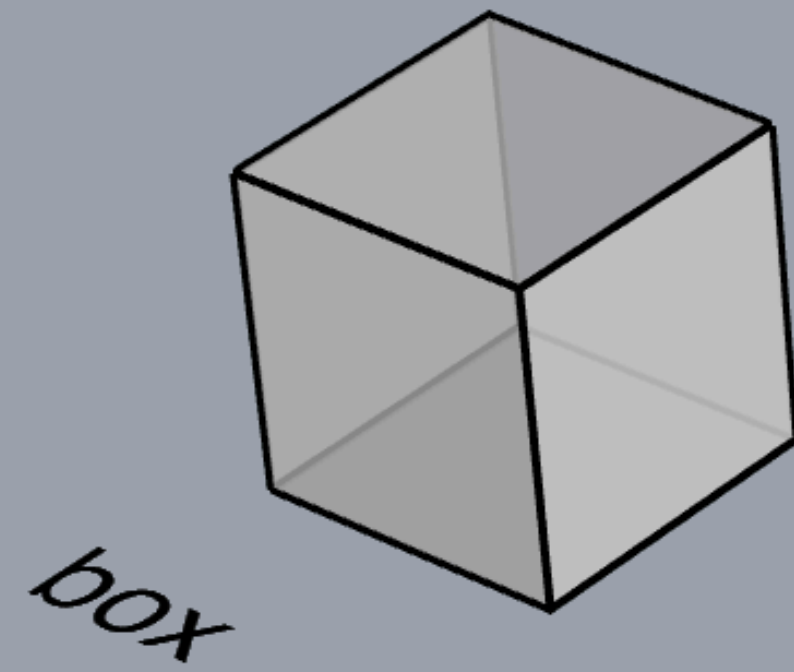
**extrude:** click arrow handle > drag > press command&shift

**select subsurface:** command&shift + selecting surface or edge




# EXERCISE03

## Create Solids



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## Edit Solids



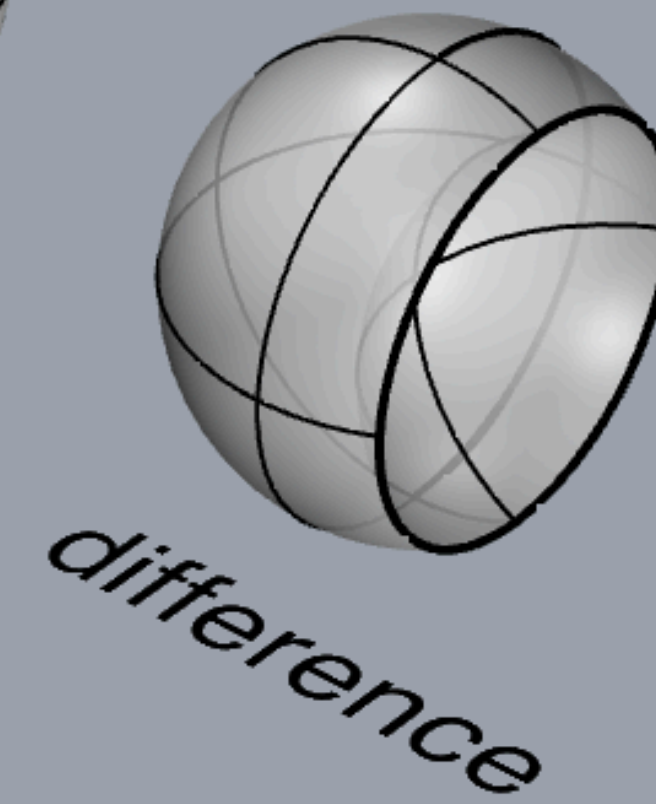
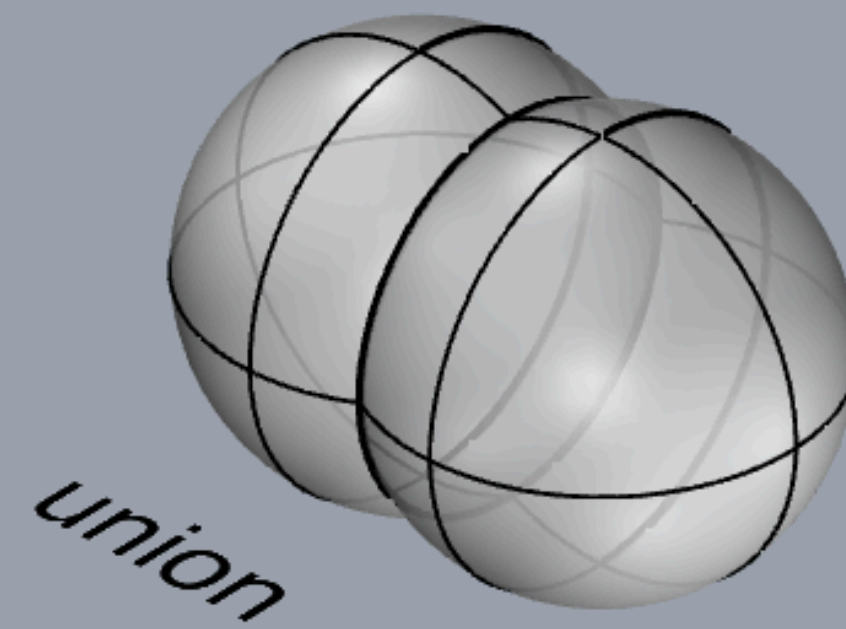
- Boolean union
- Boolean difference
- Boolean intersection
- Boolean split
- Boolean 2 objects
- Create solid
- Shell polysurface
- Cap planar holes
- Extract surface
- Merge two coplanar faces
- Merge all coplanar faces
- Unjoin edge
- Variable radius fillet
- Variable radius blend
- Variable radius chamfer
- Wire cut
- Move face
- Move untrimmed face
- Move face to a boundary
- Extrude face
- Extrude face along path
- Extrude face to a boundary
- Solid points on
- Move Edge
- Move untrimmed edge
- Split planar face
- Fold planar faces
- Round hole
- Make hole
- Place hole
- Revolved hole
- Move hole
- Copy hole
- Rotate hole
- Array hole polar
- Array hole
- Delete hole

Persistent  
 One shot

End  
 Near  
 Point

Midpoint  
 Center  
 Intersection  
 Perpendicular  
 Tangent  
 Quadrant  
 Knot  
 Vertex  
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 On polysurface  
 On mesh  
 Project  
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Disable all





## EXERCISE04

# CV Curve Creation and Editing

\_curve

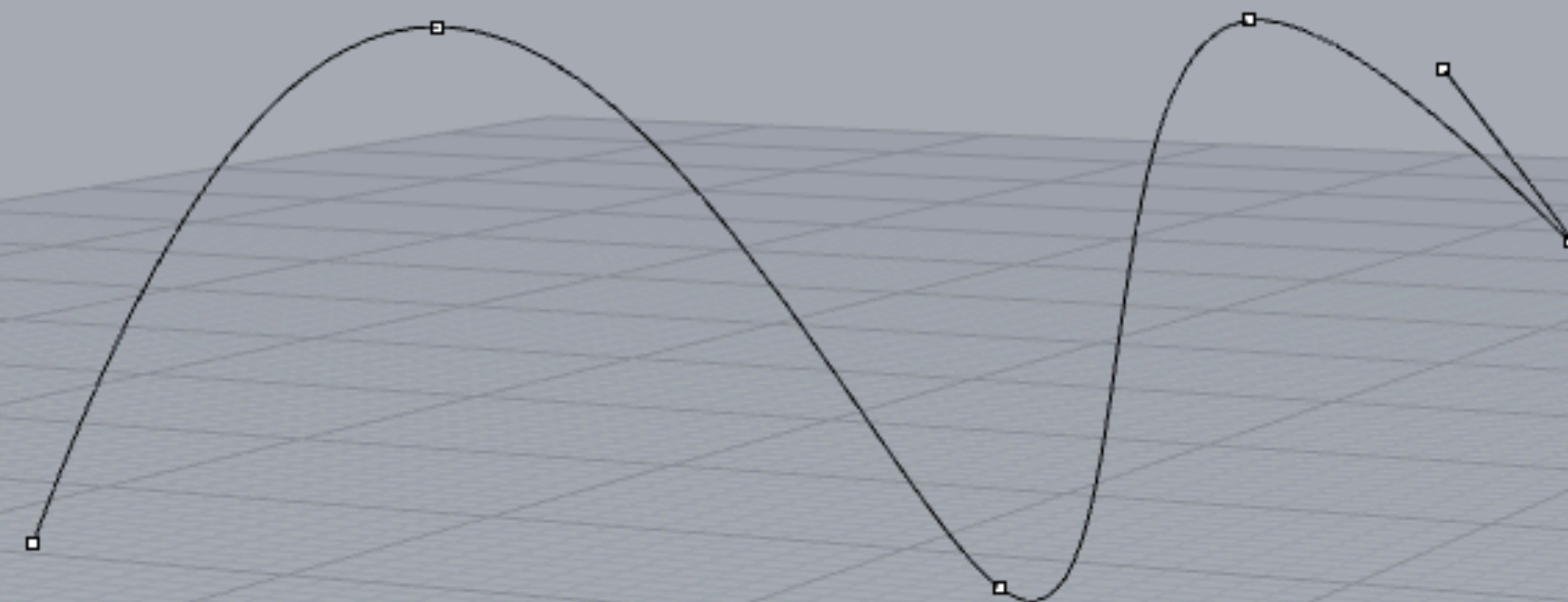
\_move / \_mirror / \_trim / \_extend

\_EditPtOn

Use Osnap / Objektfang

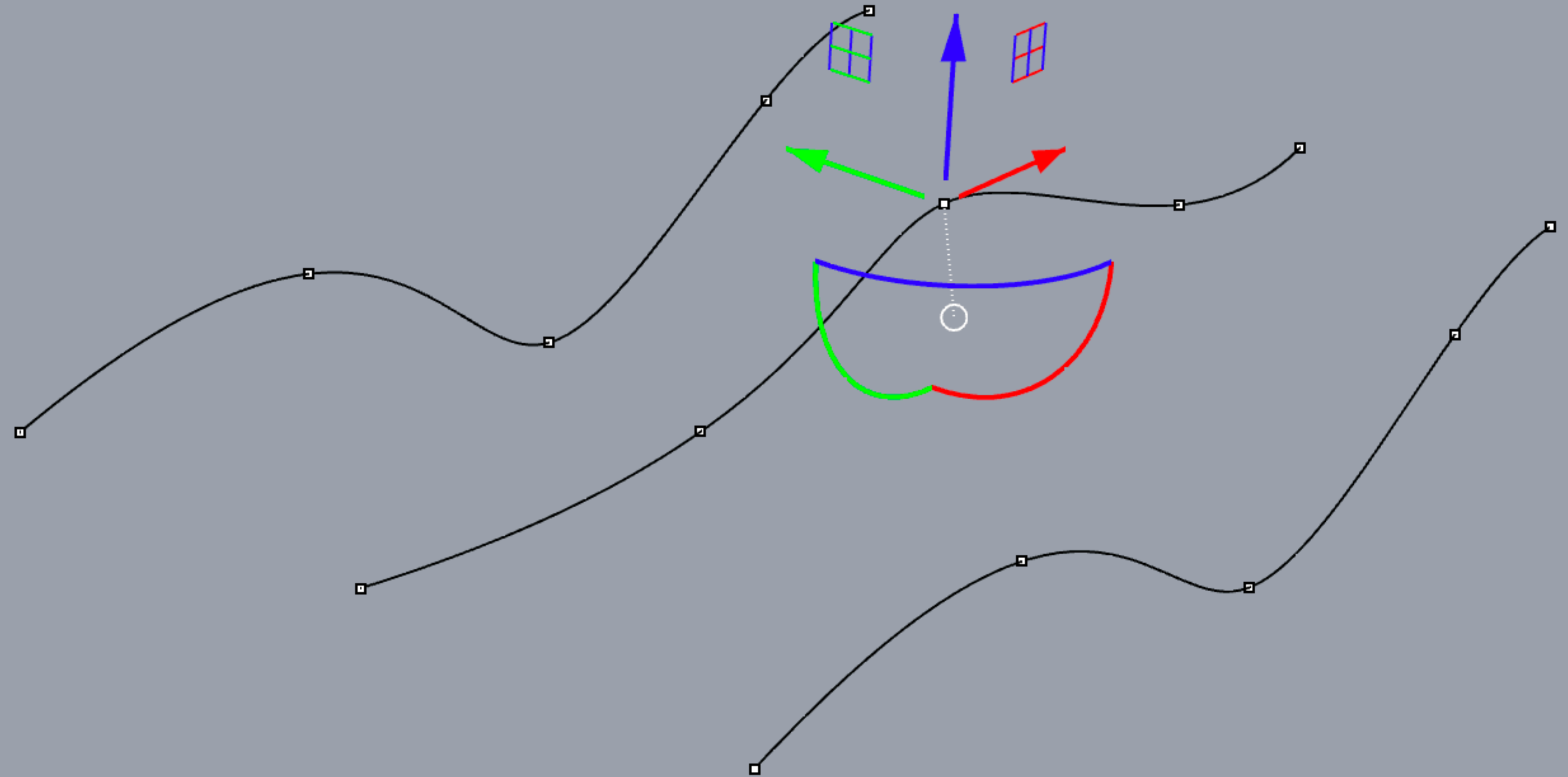
Use Gridsnap / Rasterfang

Use gumball to edit and move points



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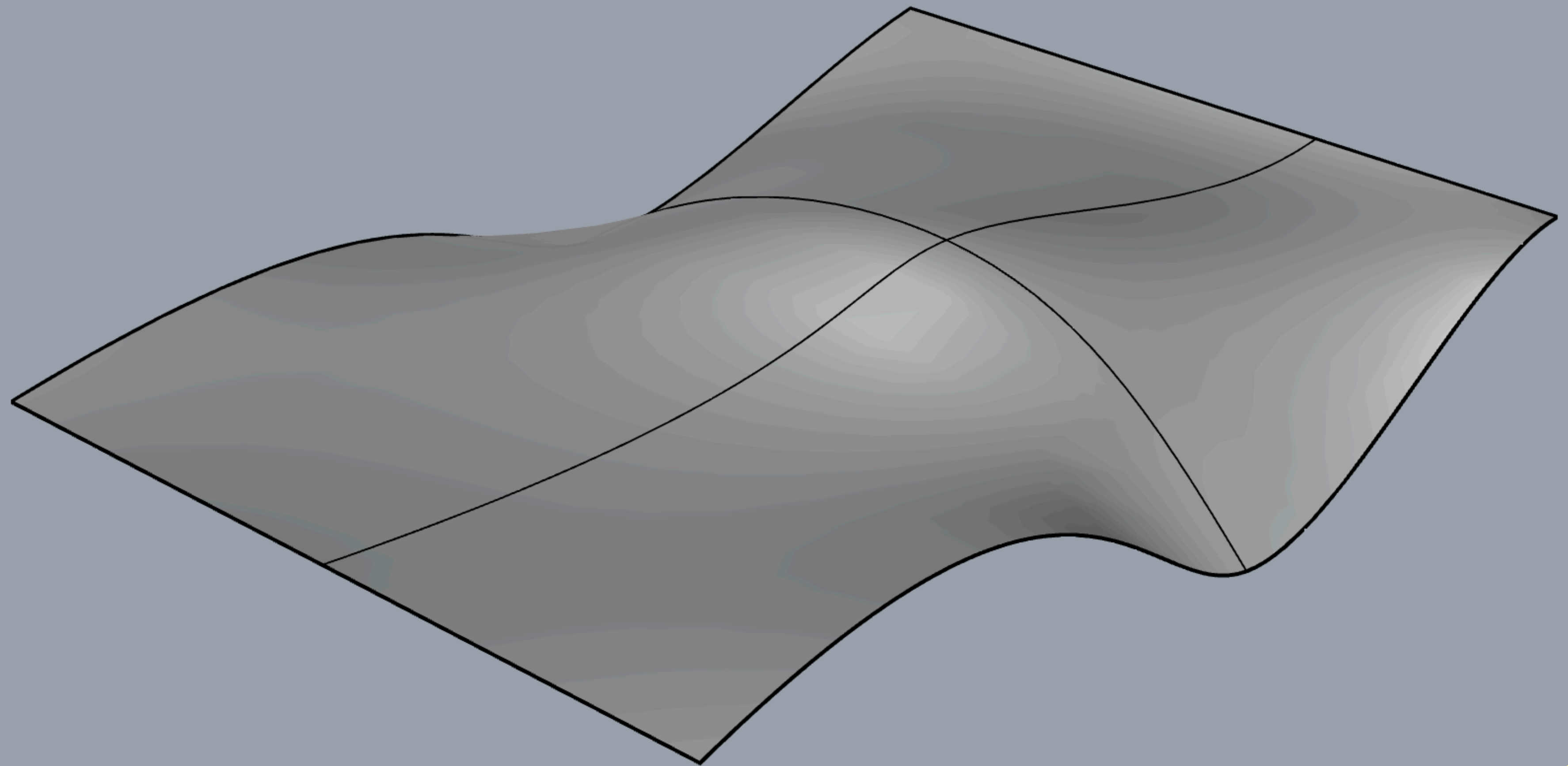
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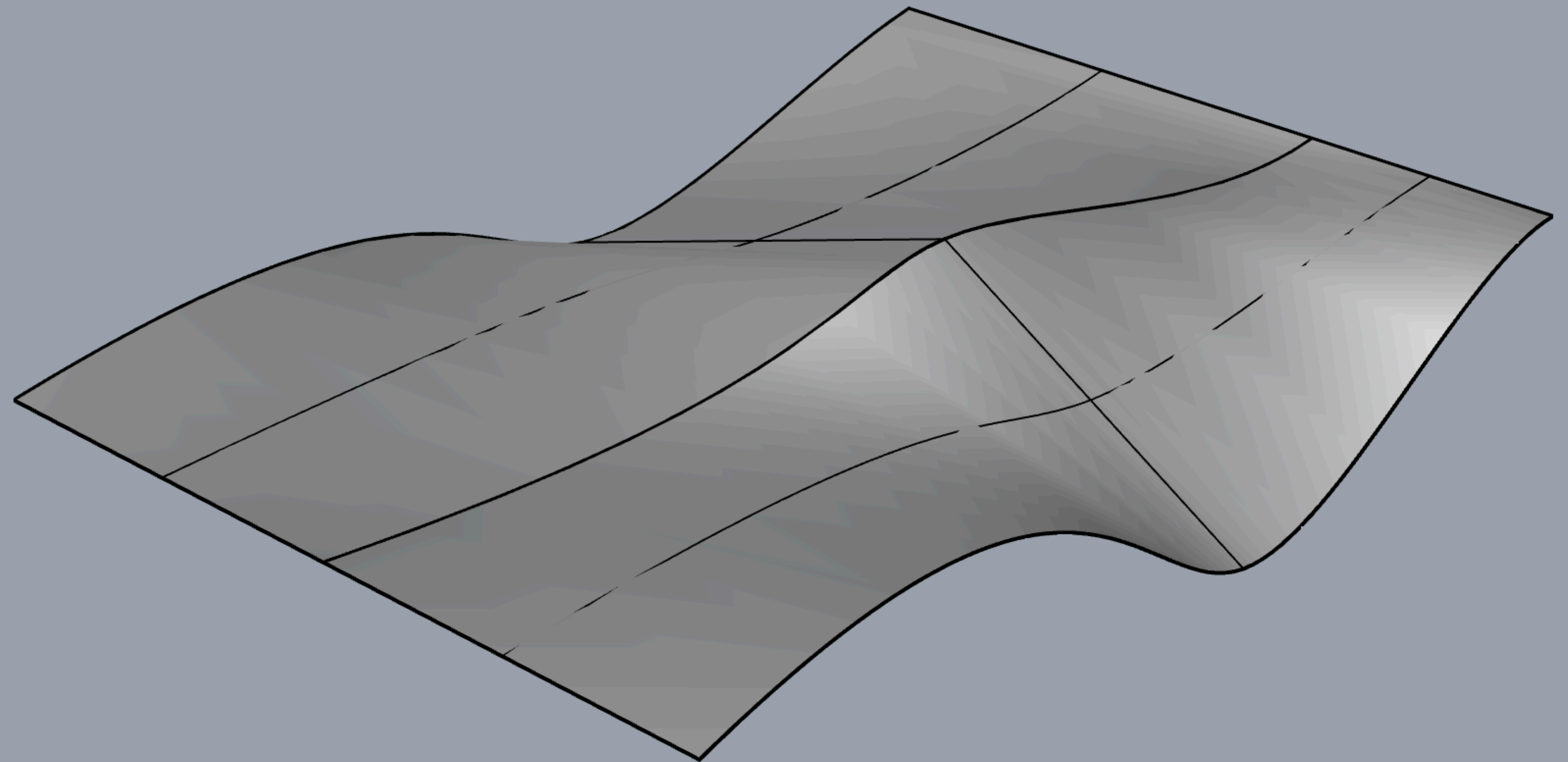
Create Surfaces - Loft



Loft > normal

## EXERCISE03

### Create Surfaces - Loft



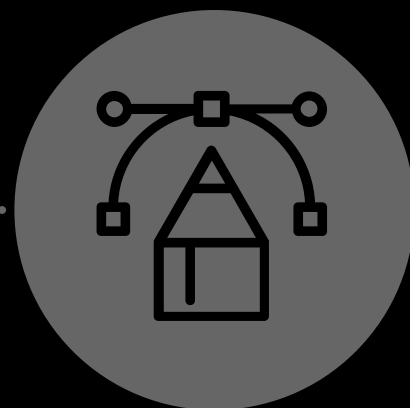
Loft > straight sections

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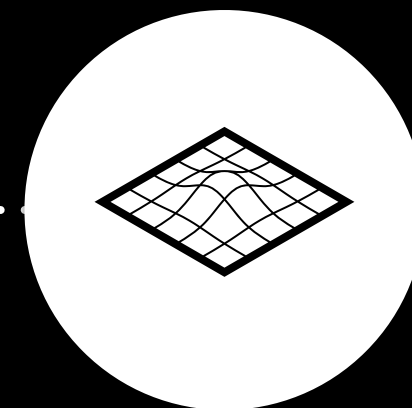
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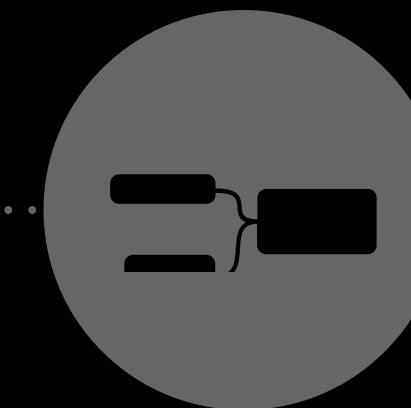
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# Grasshopper

**Grasshopper is a visual programming language and environment developed by David Rutten at Robert McNeel & Associates, that runs within the Rhinoceros 3D computer-aided design (CAD) application. The first version of Grasshopper was released in September 2007, and titled Explicit History. Grasshopper has become part of the standard Rhino toolset in Rhino 6.0 and later.**

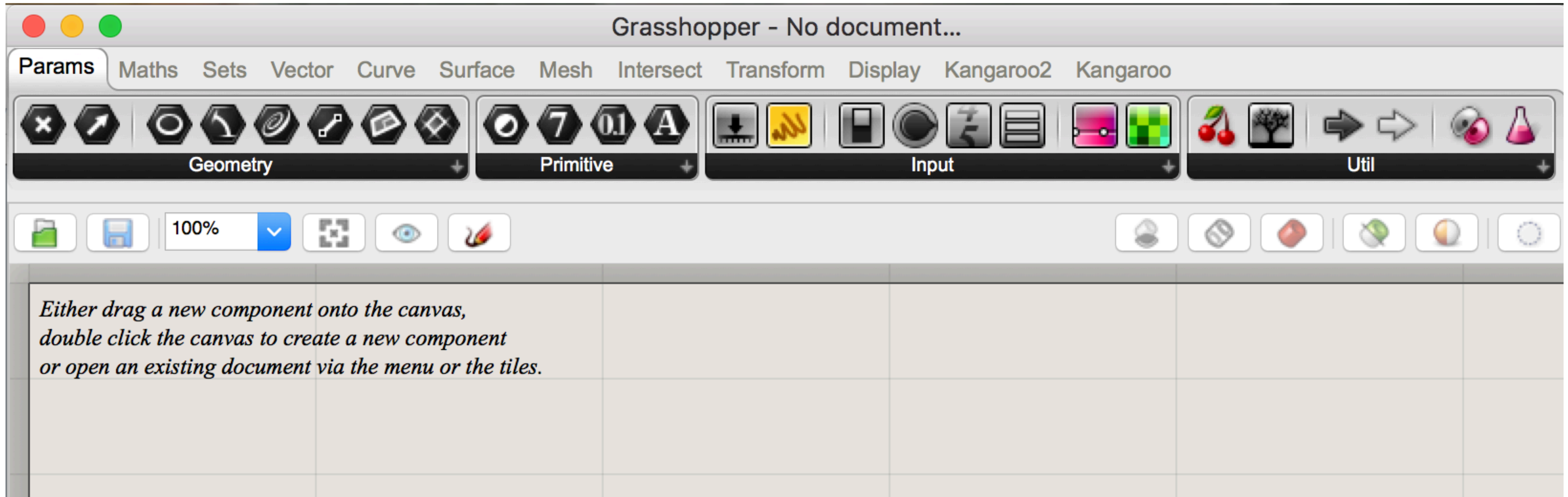
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### Grasshopper

- **Grasshopper is primarily used to build generative algorithms, such as for generative art. Many of Grasshopper's components create 3D geometry.**
- **Advanced uses of Grasshopper include parametric modelling for structural engineering, parametric modelling for architecture and fabrication, lighting performance analysis for eco-friendly architecture and building energy consumption.**

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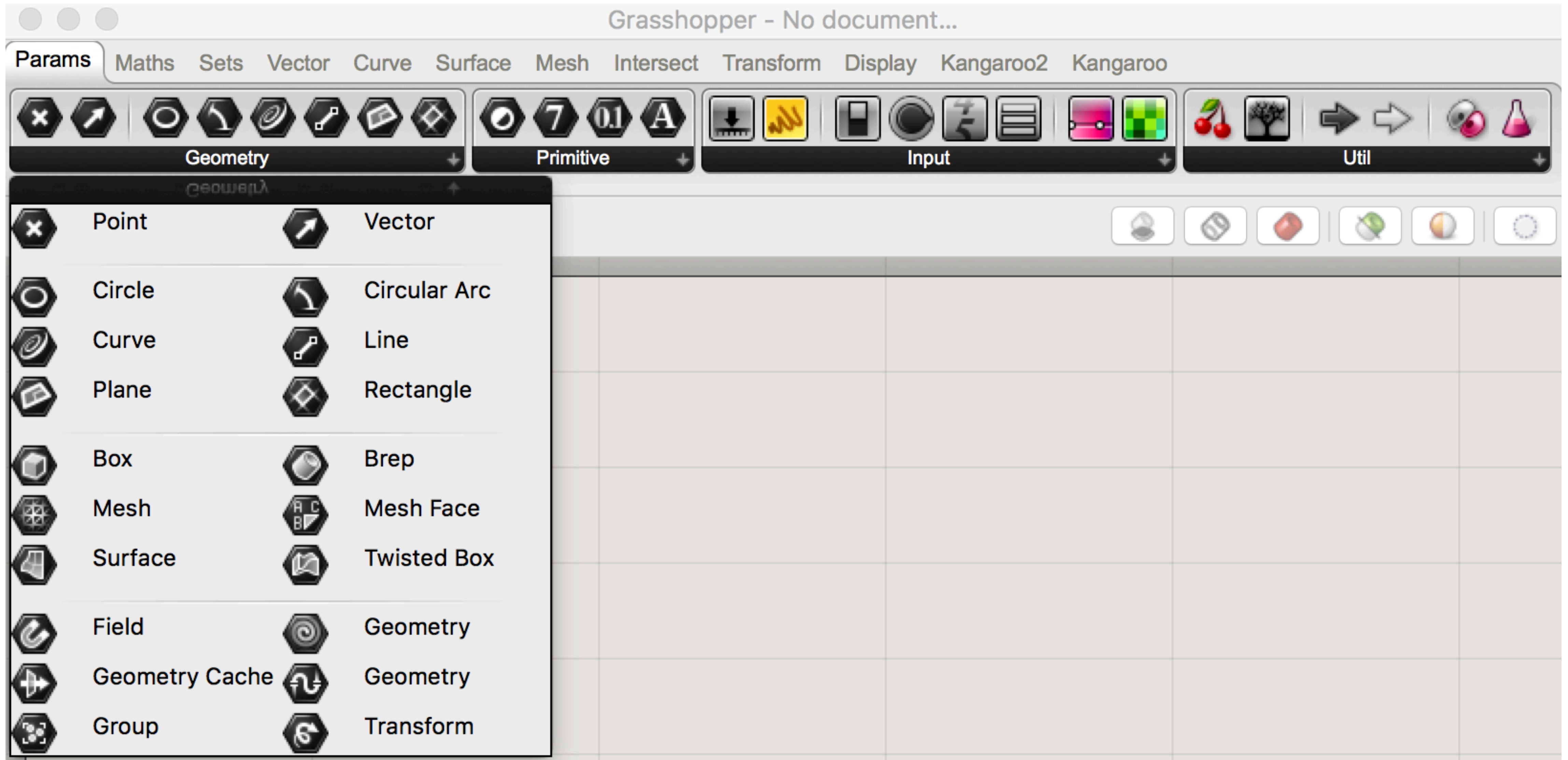
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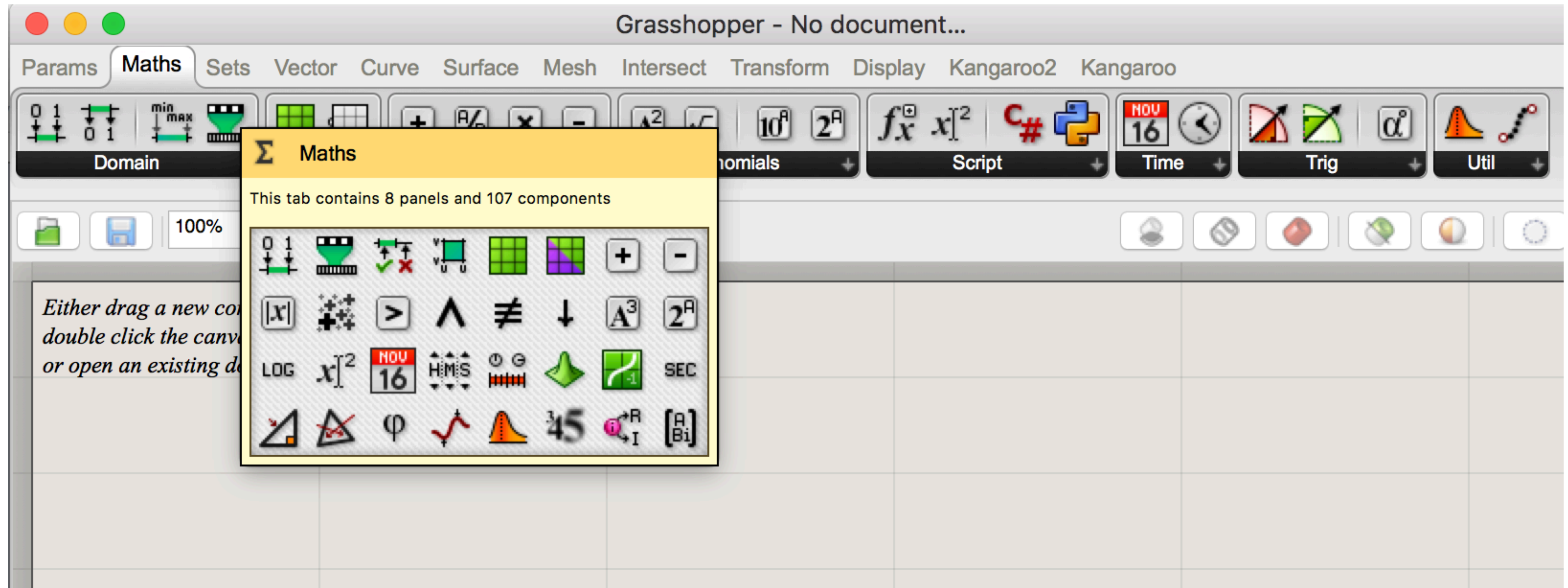
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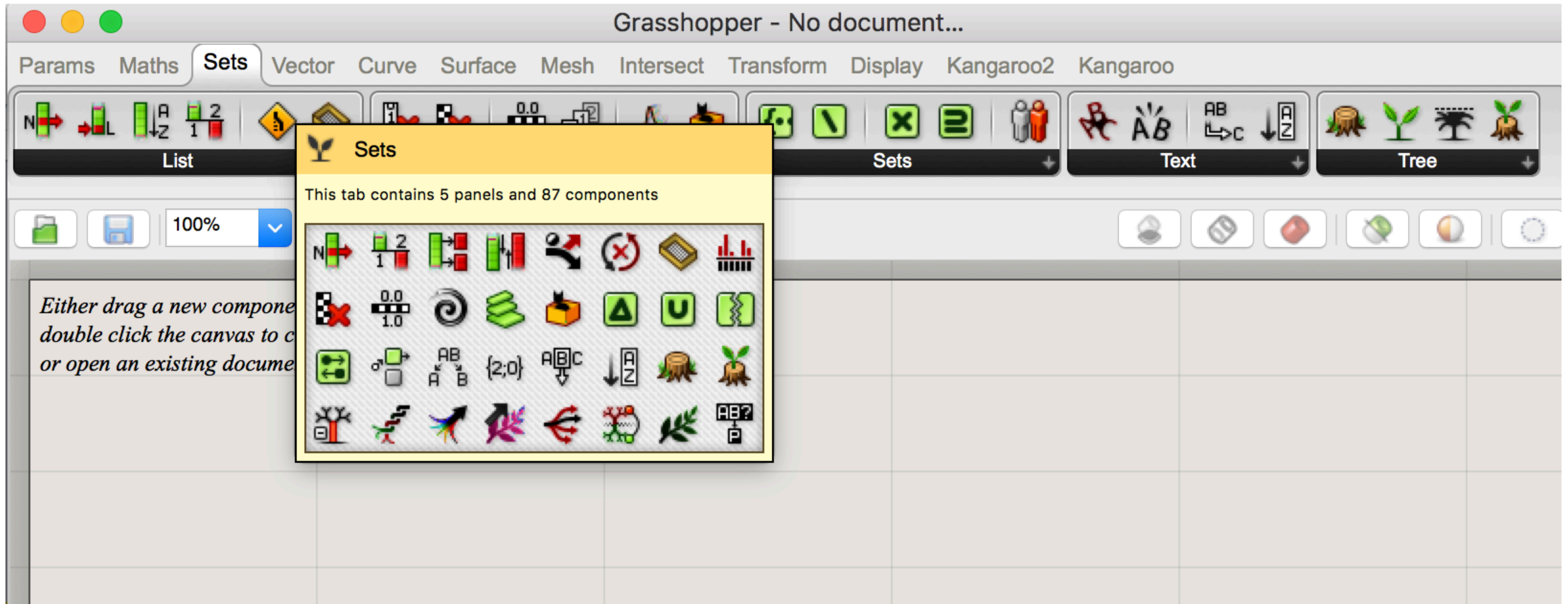
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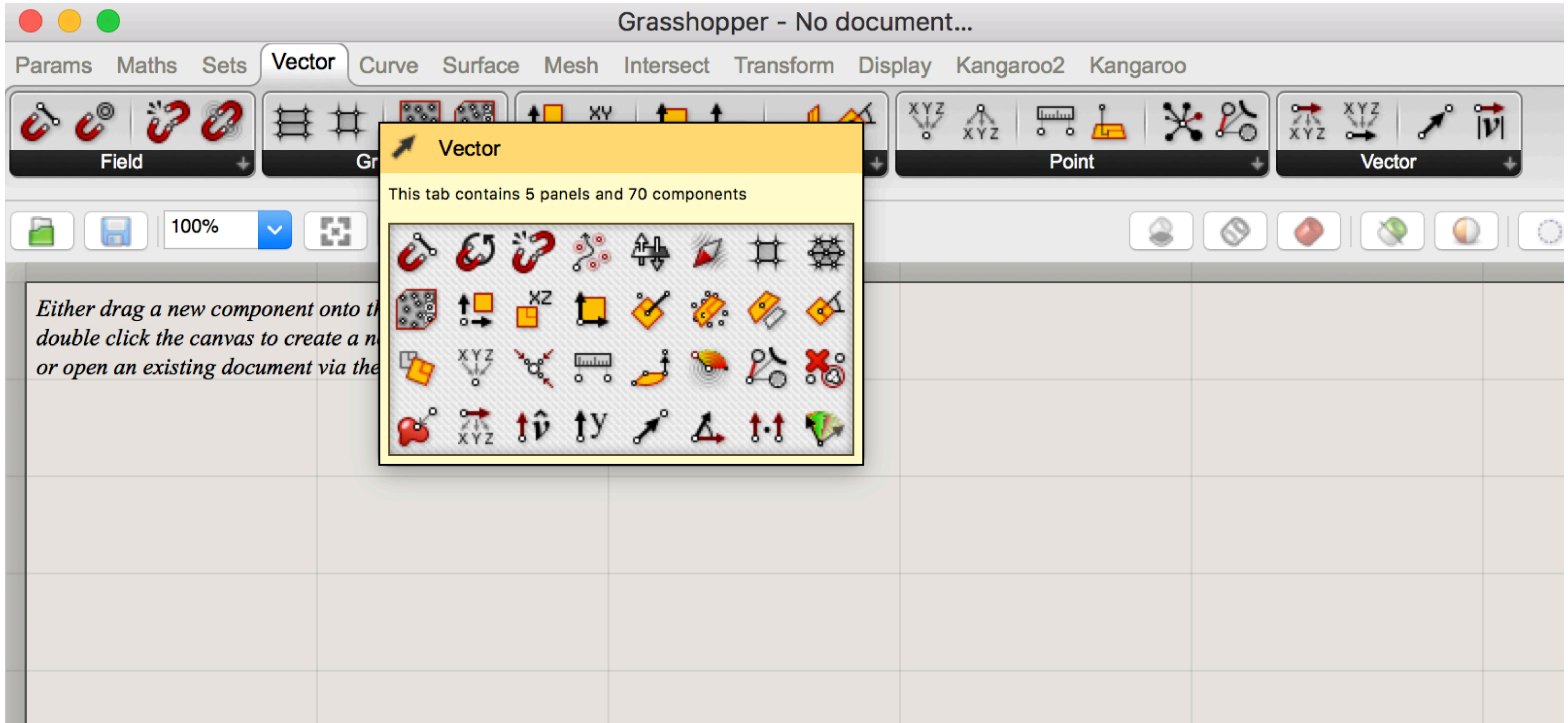
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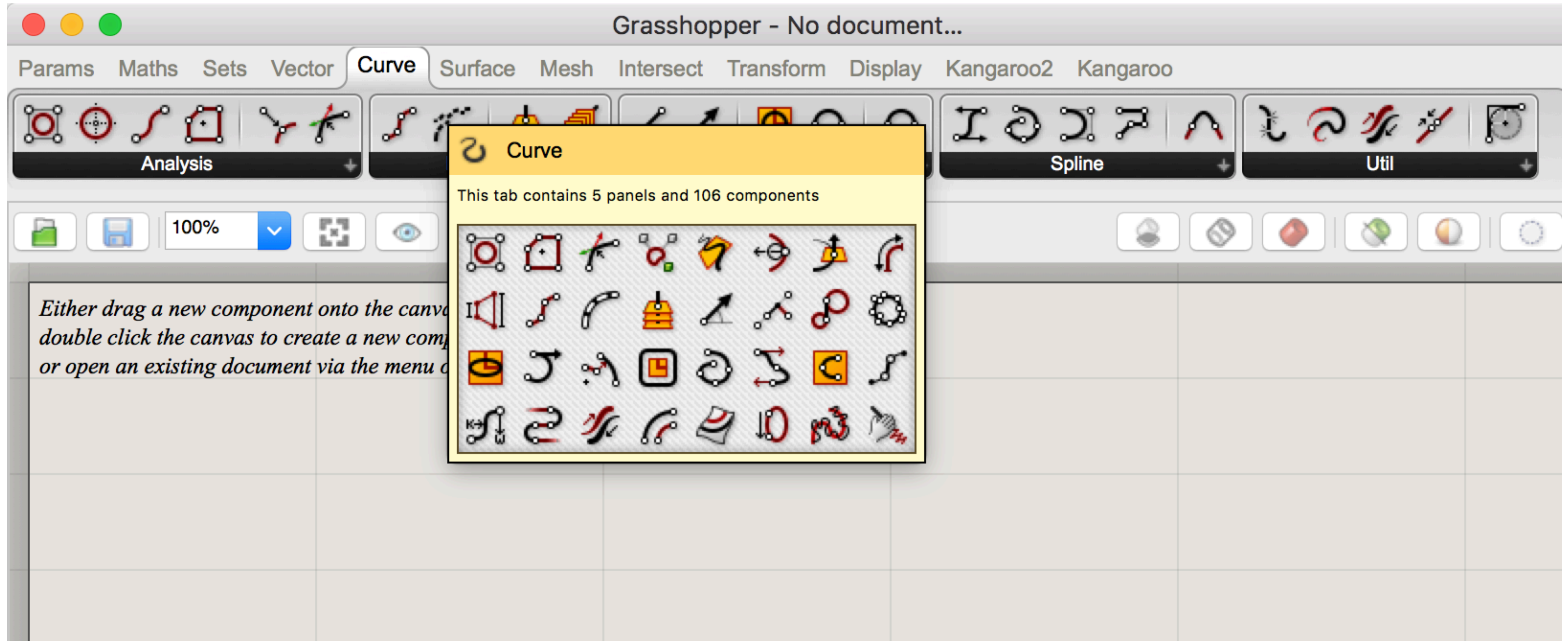
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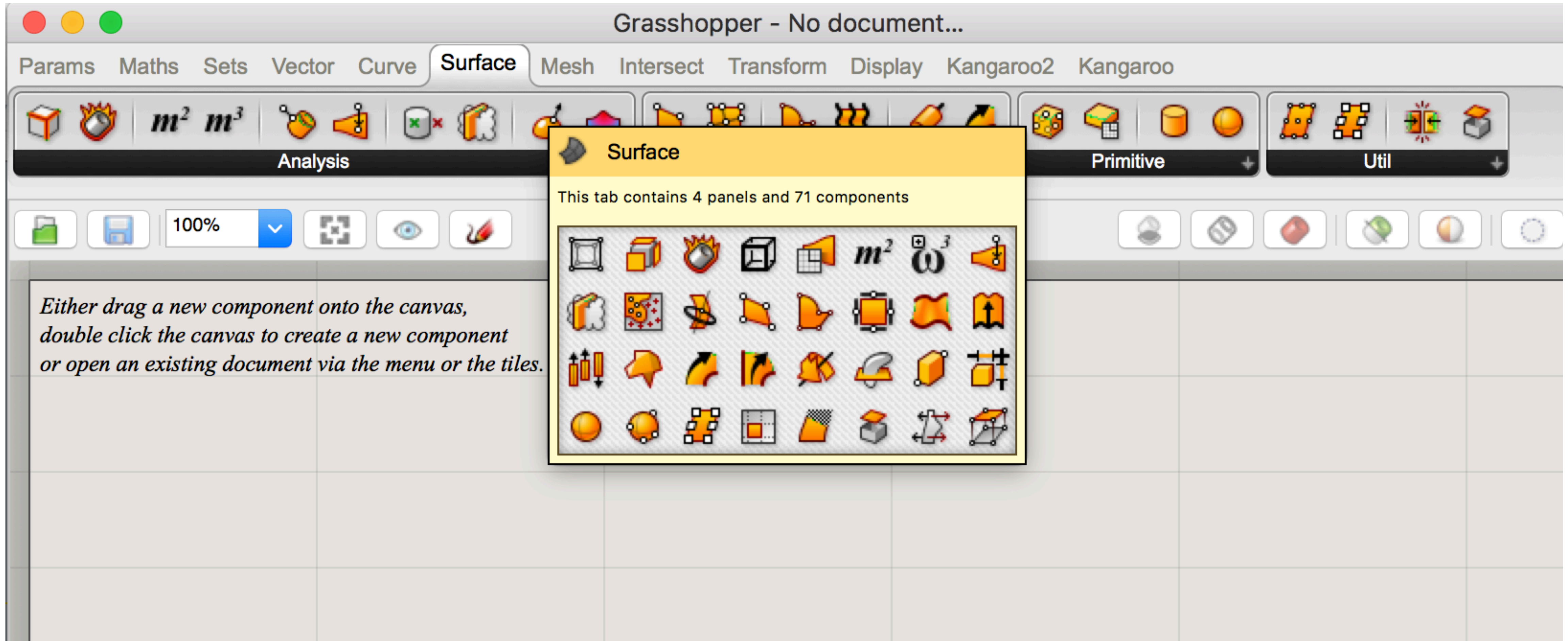
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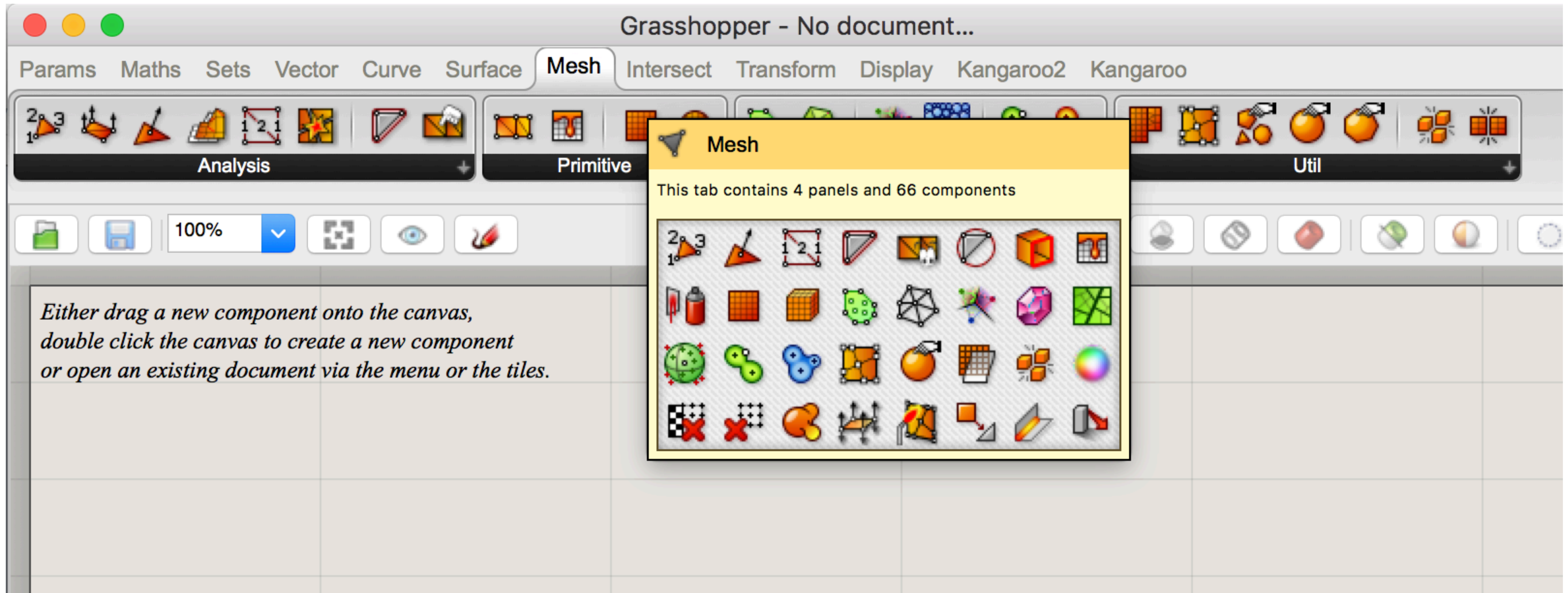
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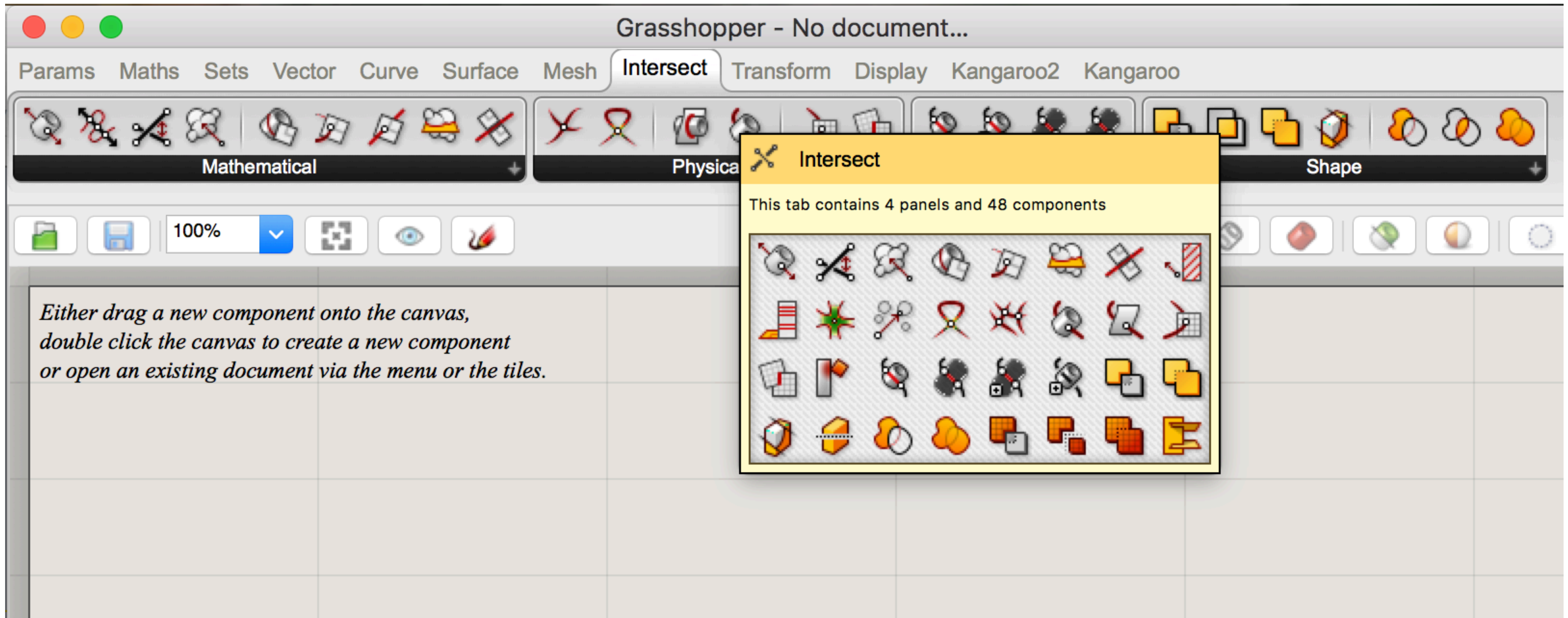
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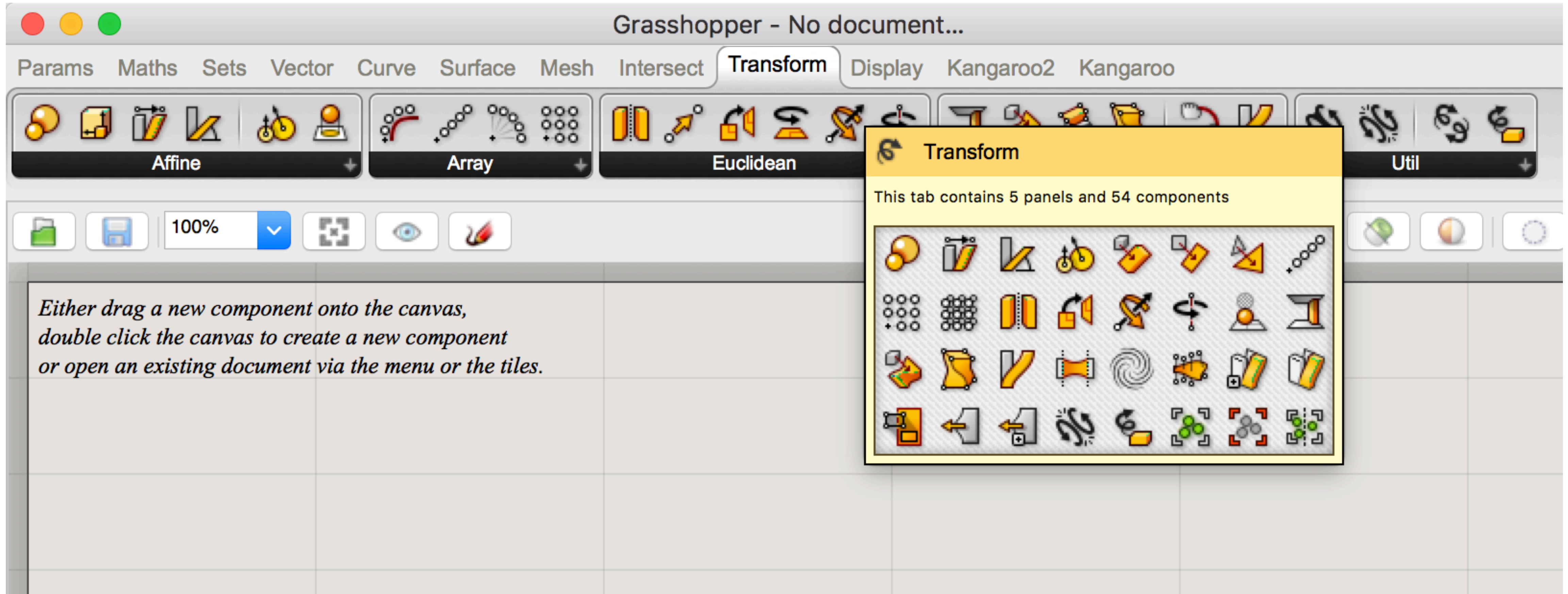
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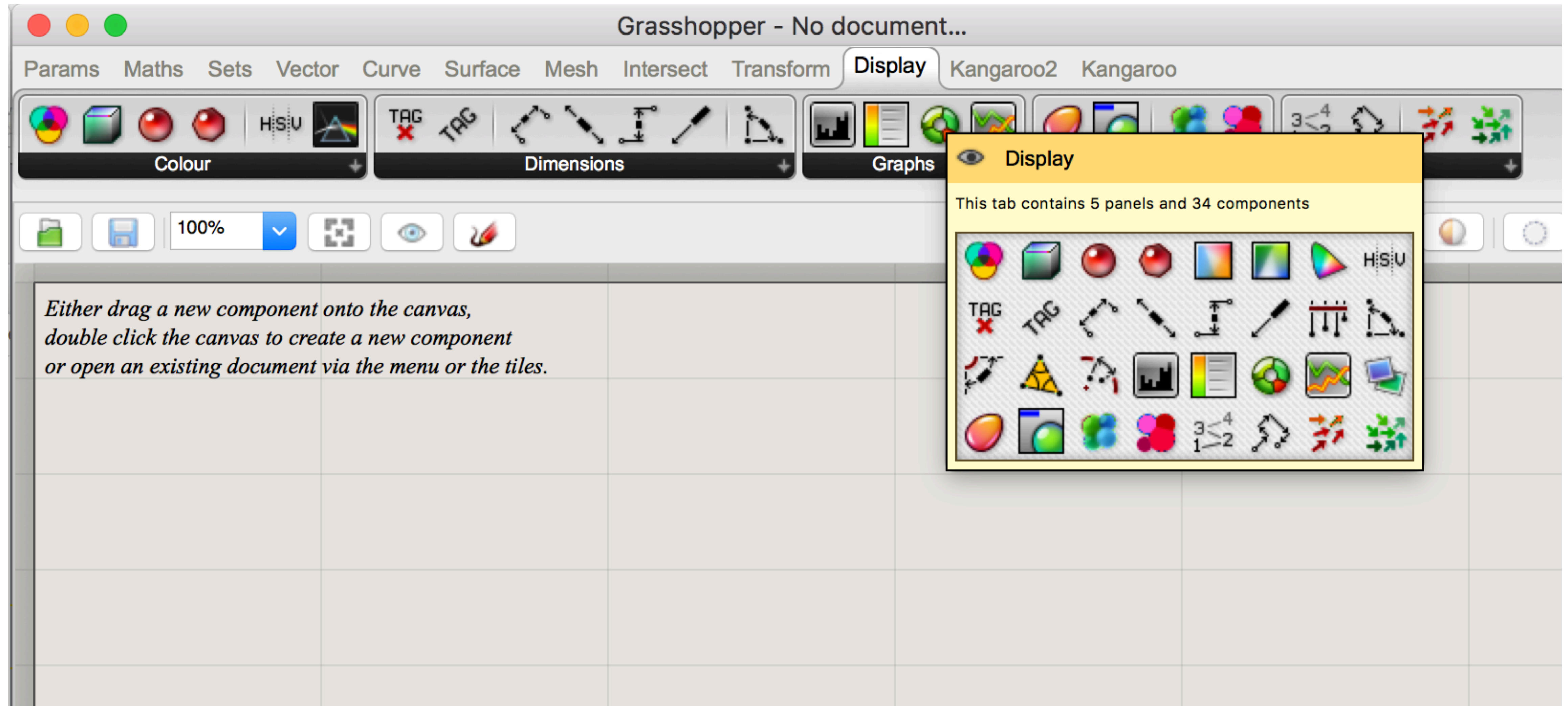
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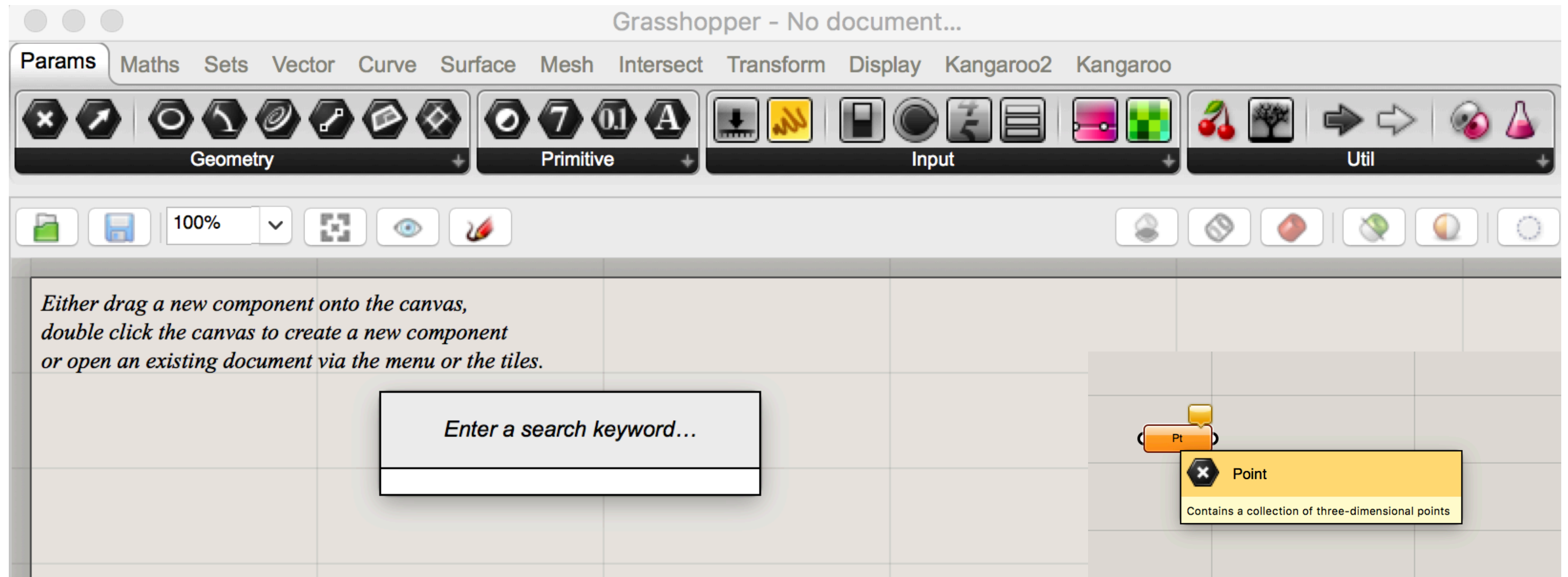




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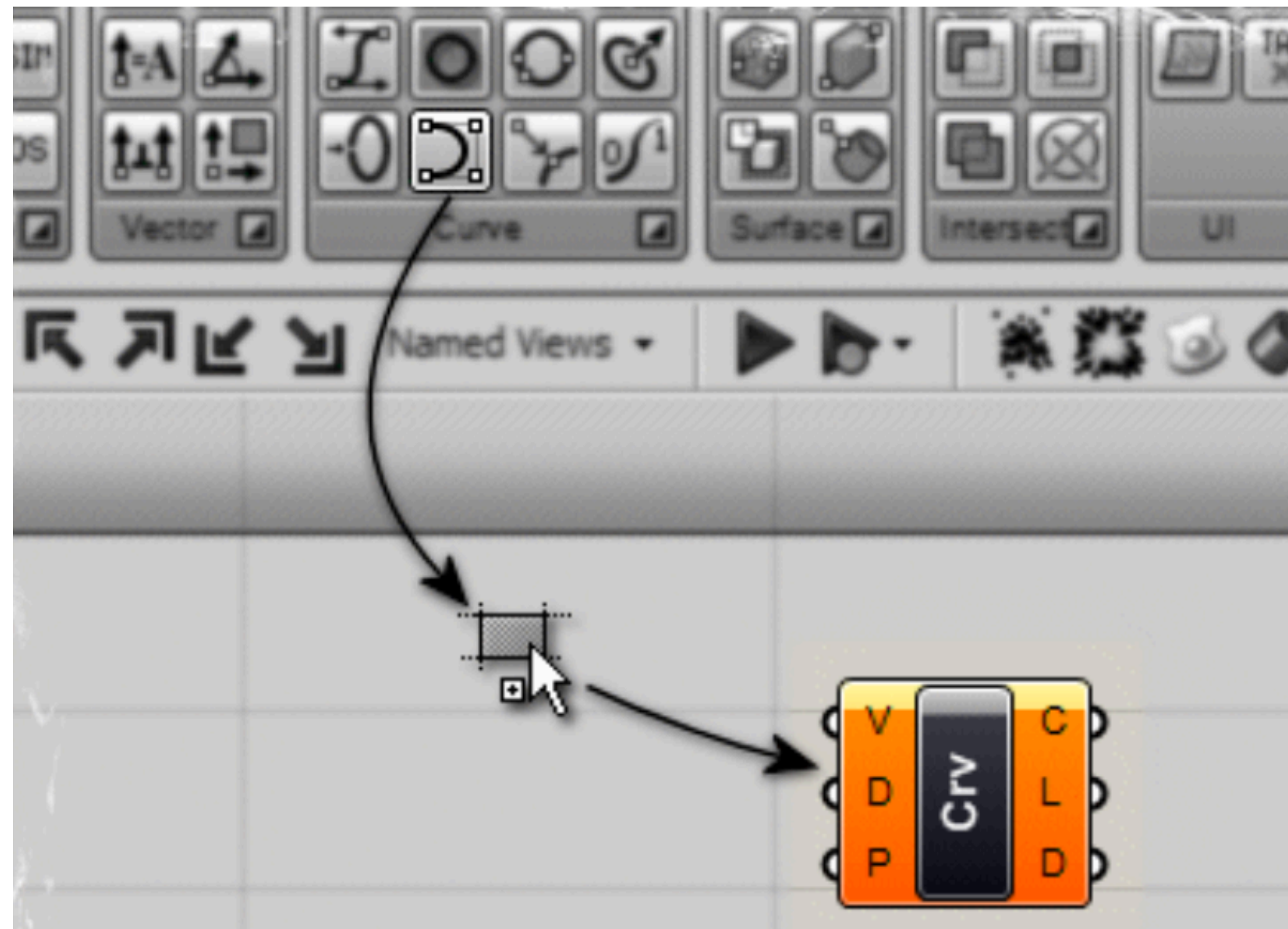
**You can also find components by name, by double-clicking anywhere on the canvas; launching a pop-up search box. Type in the name of the component you are looking for and you will see a list of parameters or components that match your request.**



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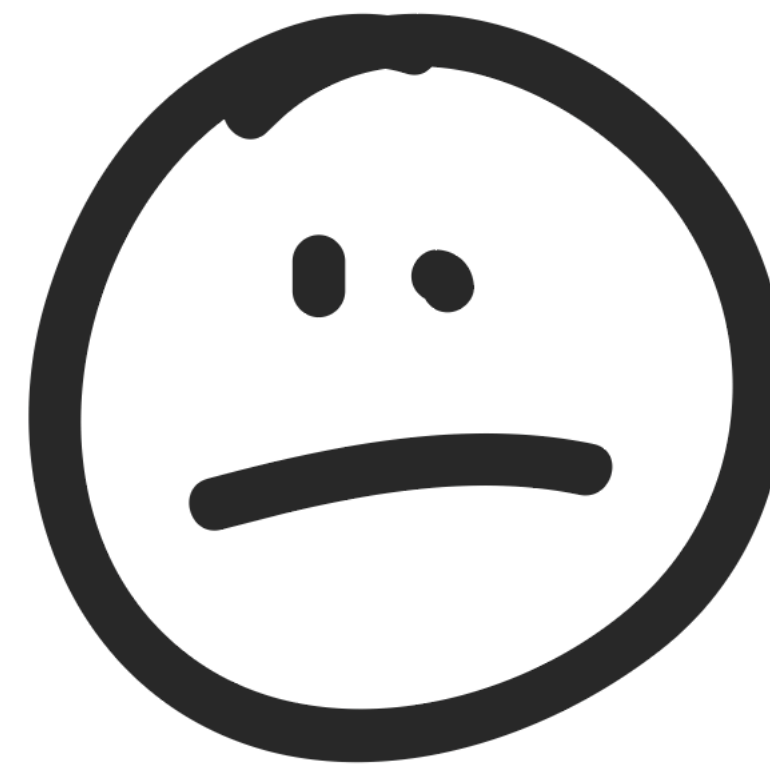
### Component Panels (Container System)

- The program gets created by dragging components onto a canvas. The outputs to these components are then connected to the inputs of subsequent components.



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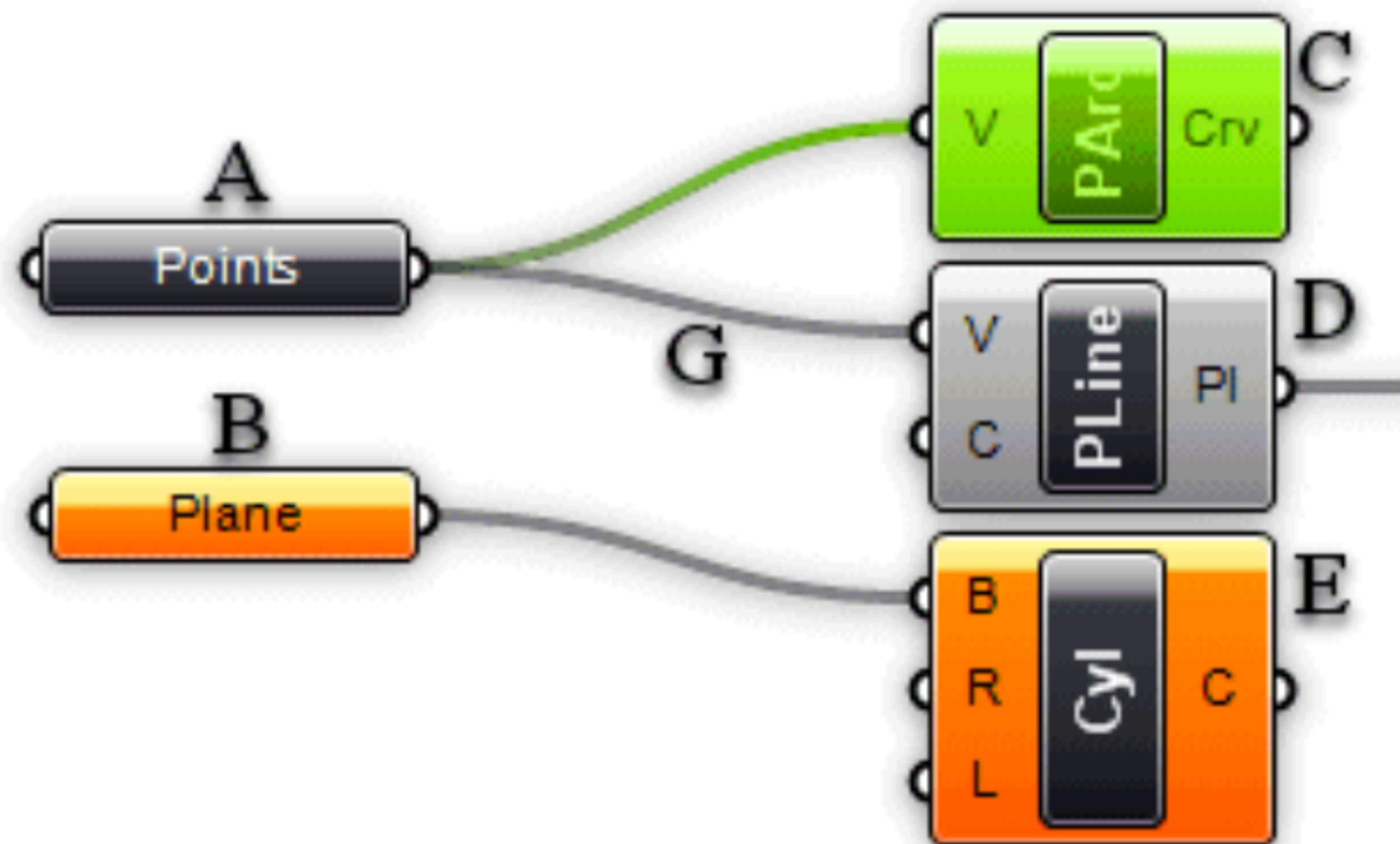


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### Component Panels (Container System)

Parameters contain data, meaning that they store stuff.

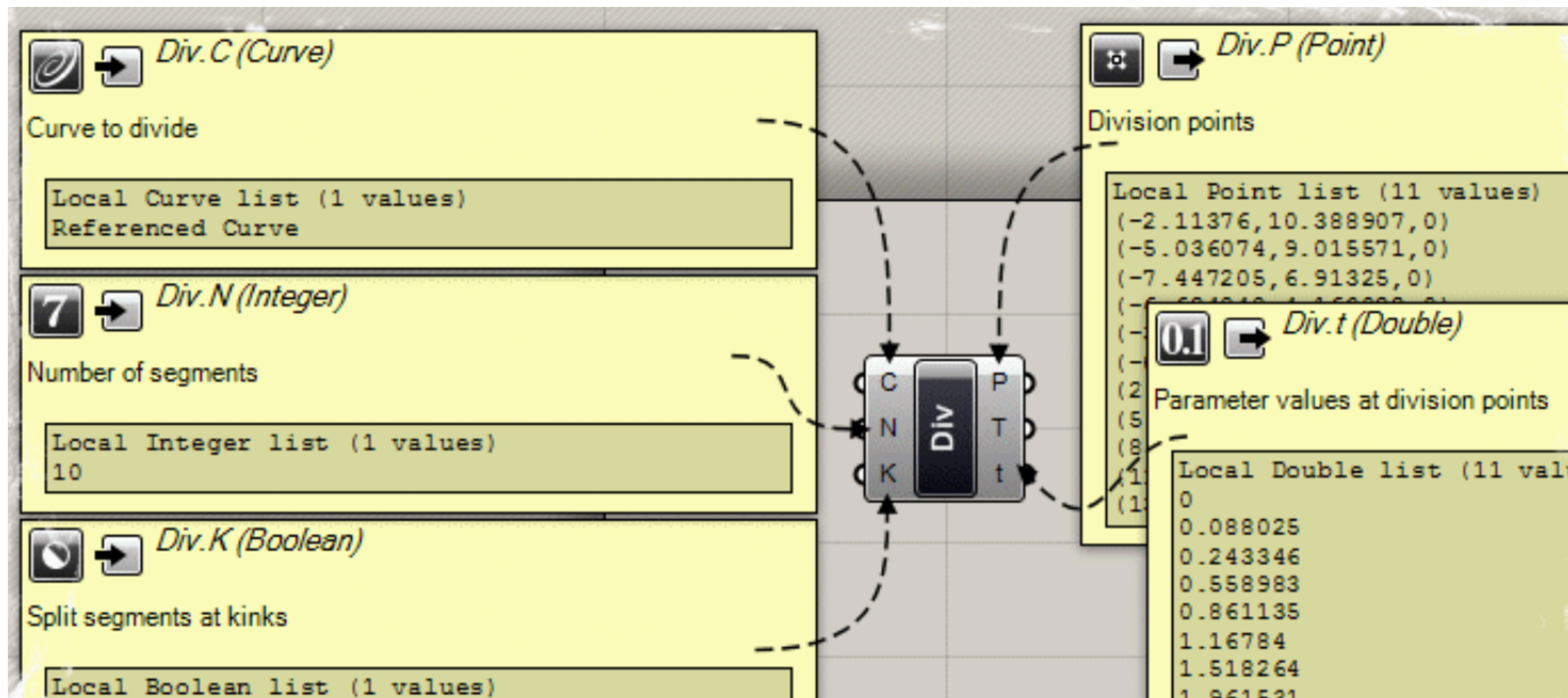
Components contain actions, meaning that they do stuff.



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When you hover your mouse over the individual parts of a Component object, you'll see different tooltips that indicate the particular type of the (sub)object currently under the mouse. Tooltips are quite informative since they tell you both the type and the data of individual parameters:





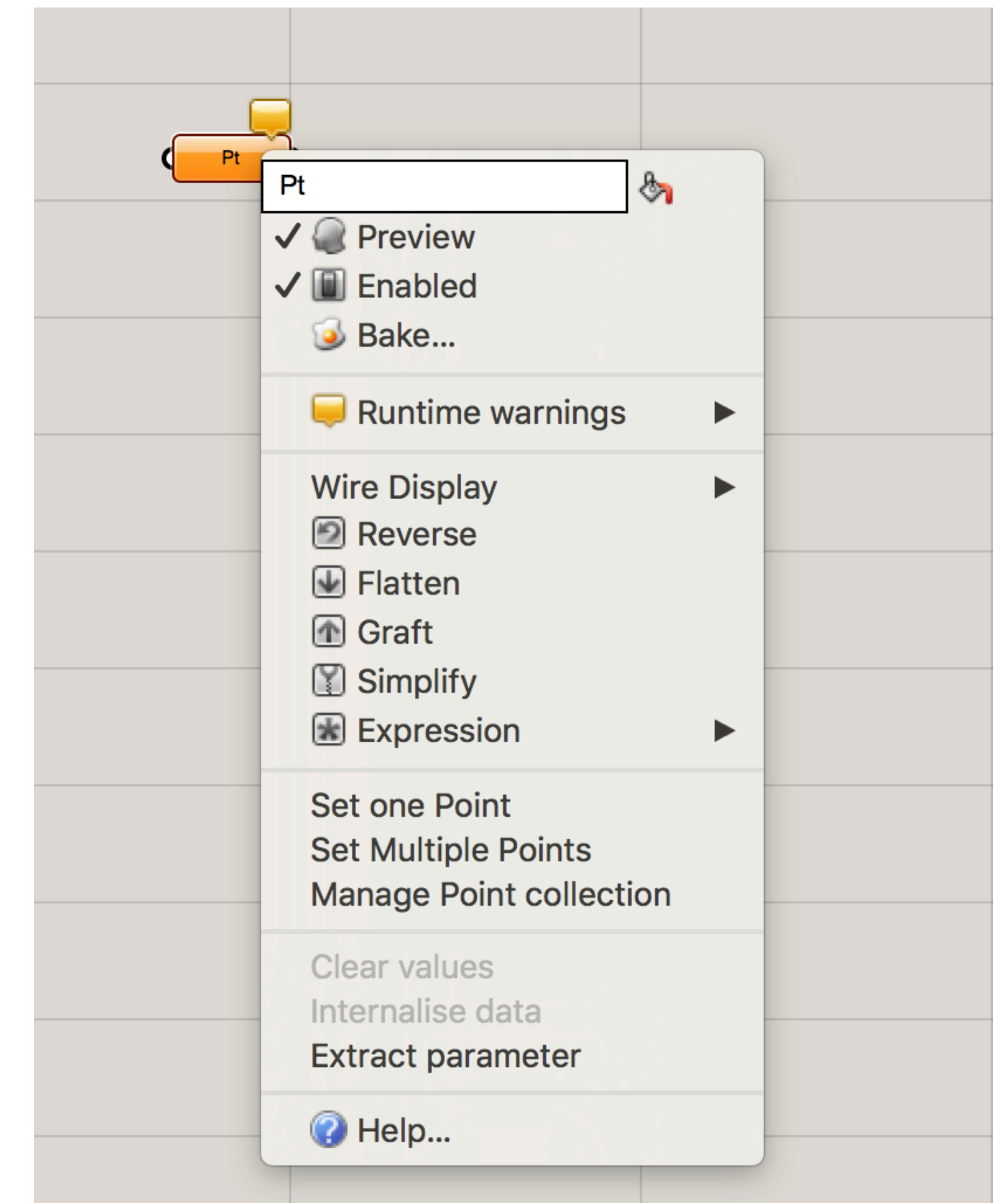
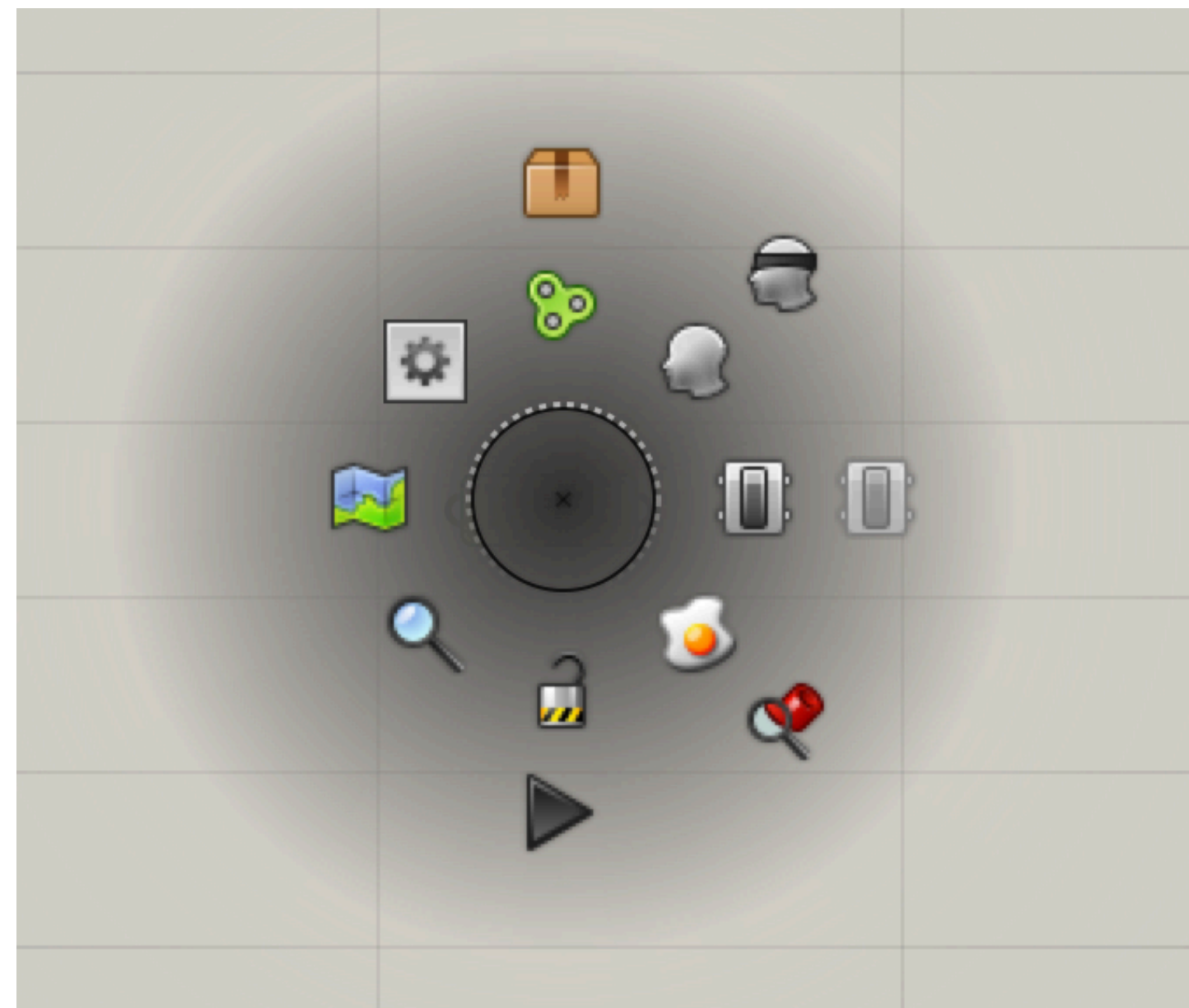
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All objects on the Canvas have their own context menus that expose most of the features for that particular component.

Right click on the Parameter or Component indicates those features:

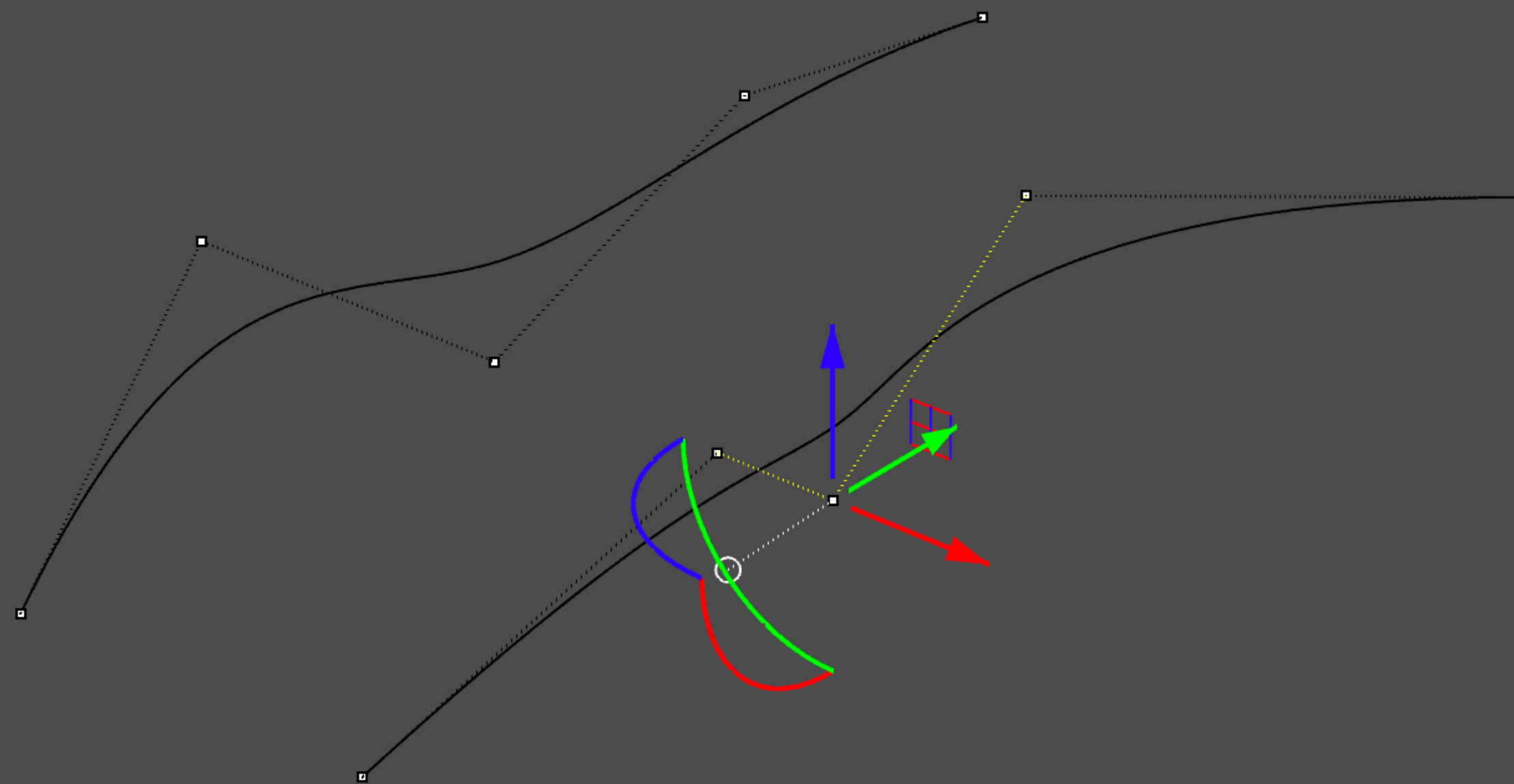
The space button shows the same features in symbols:





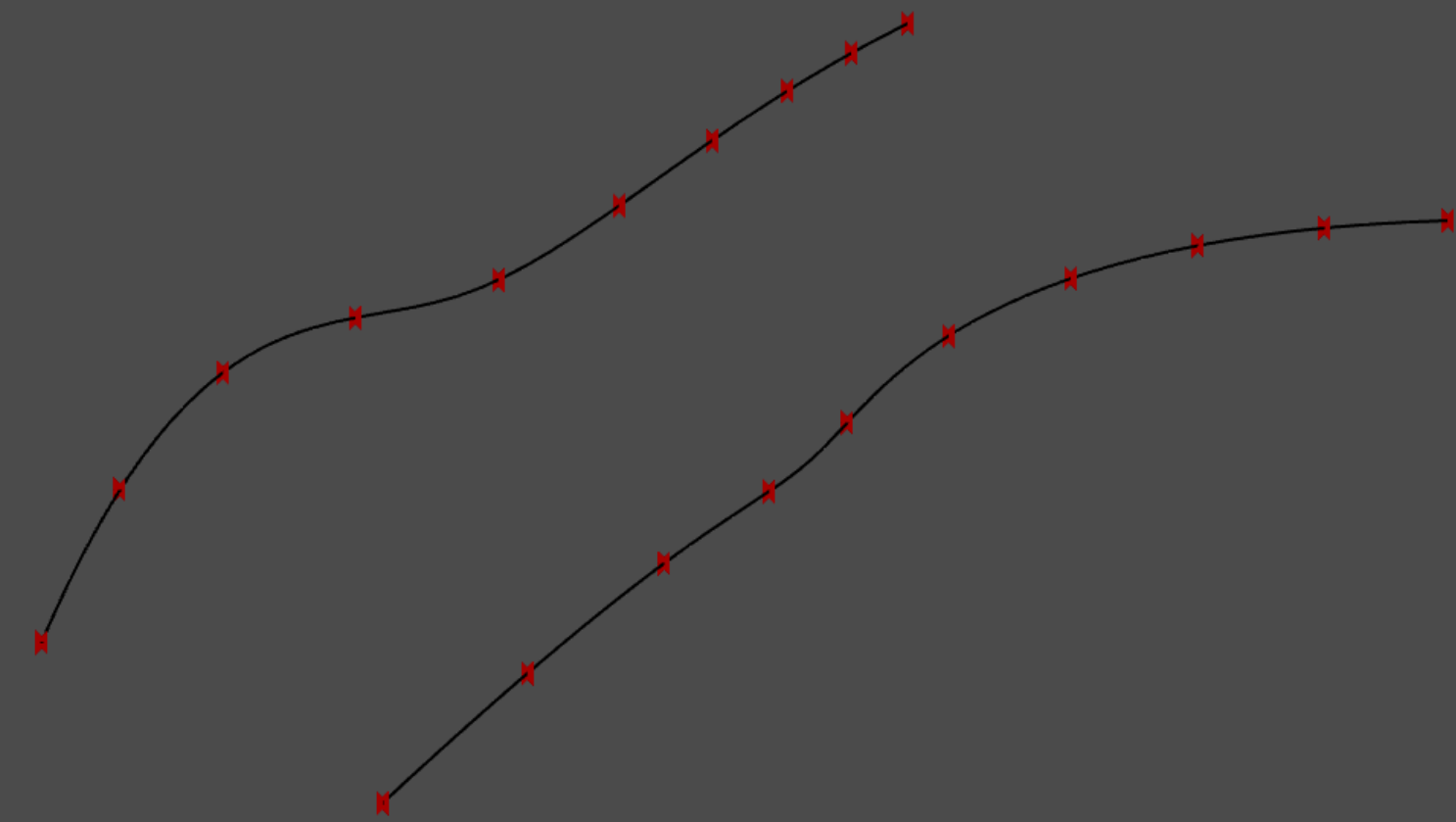
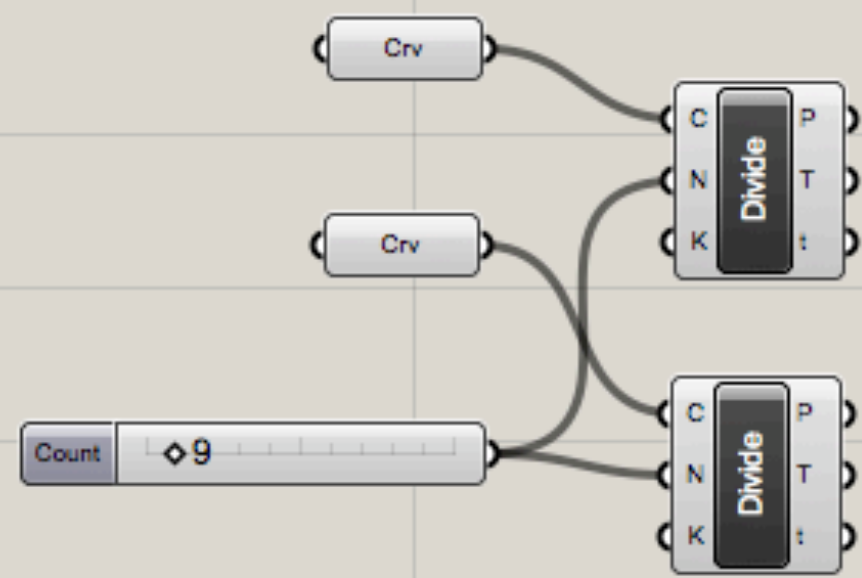
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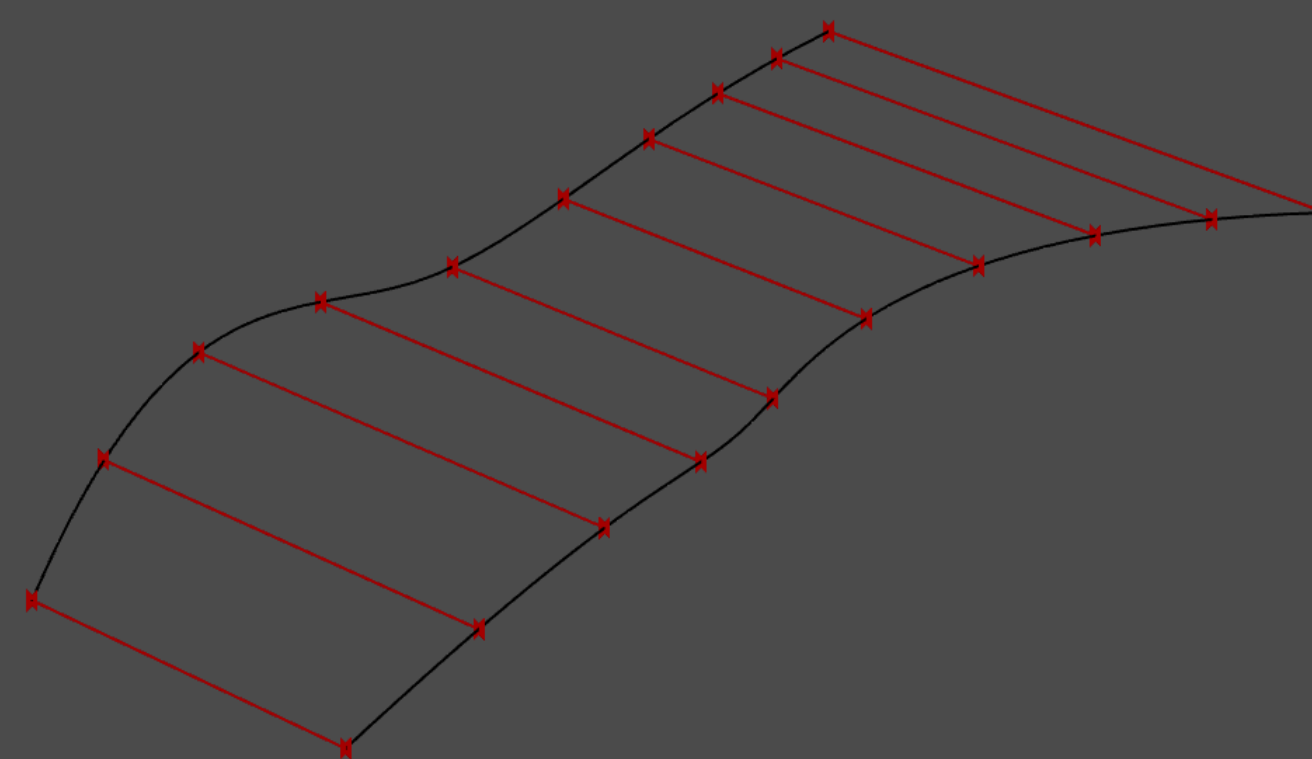
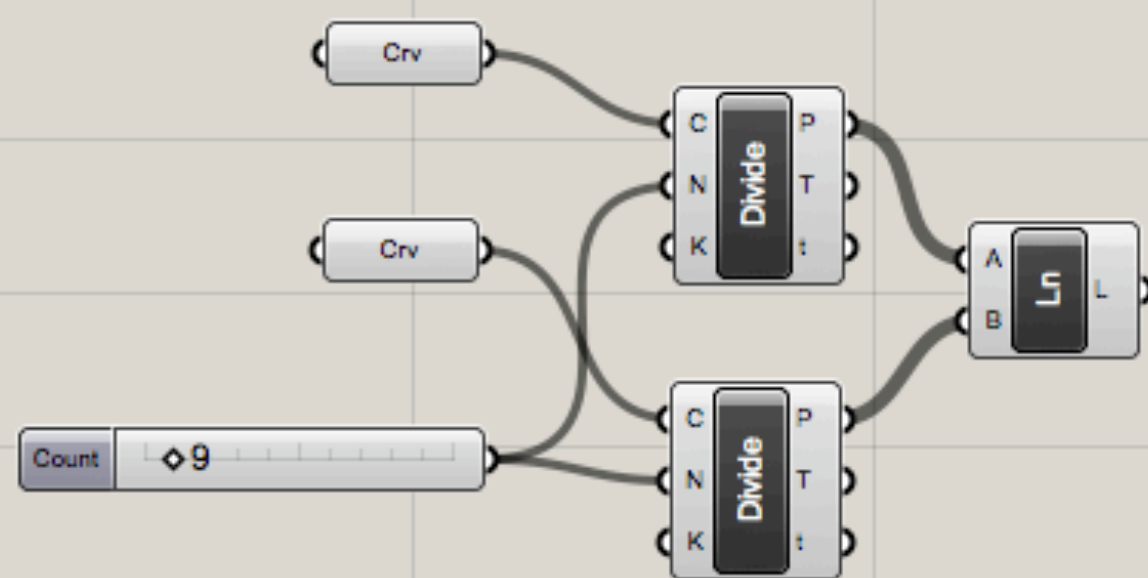
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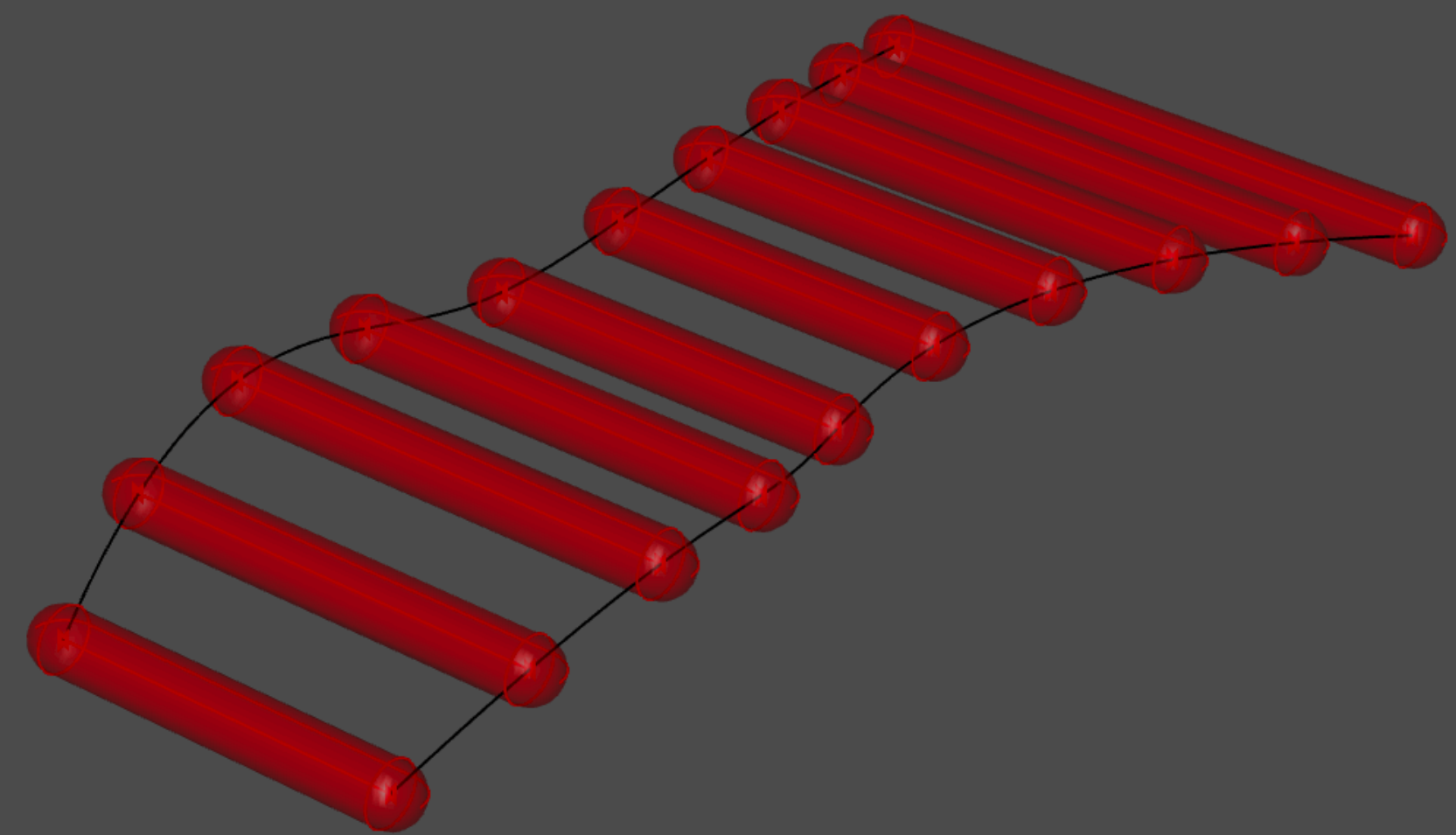
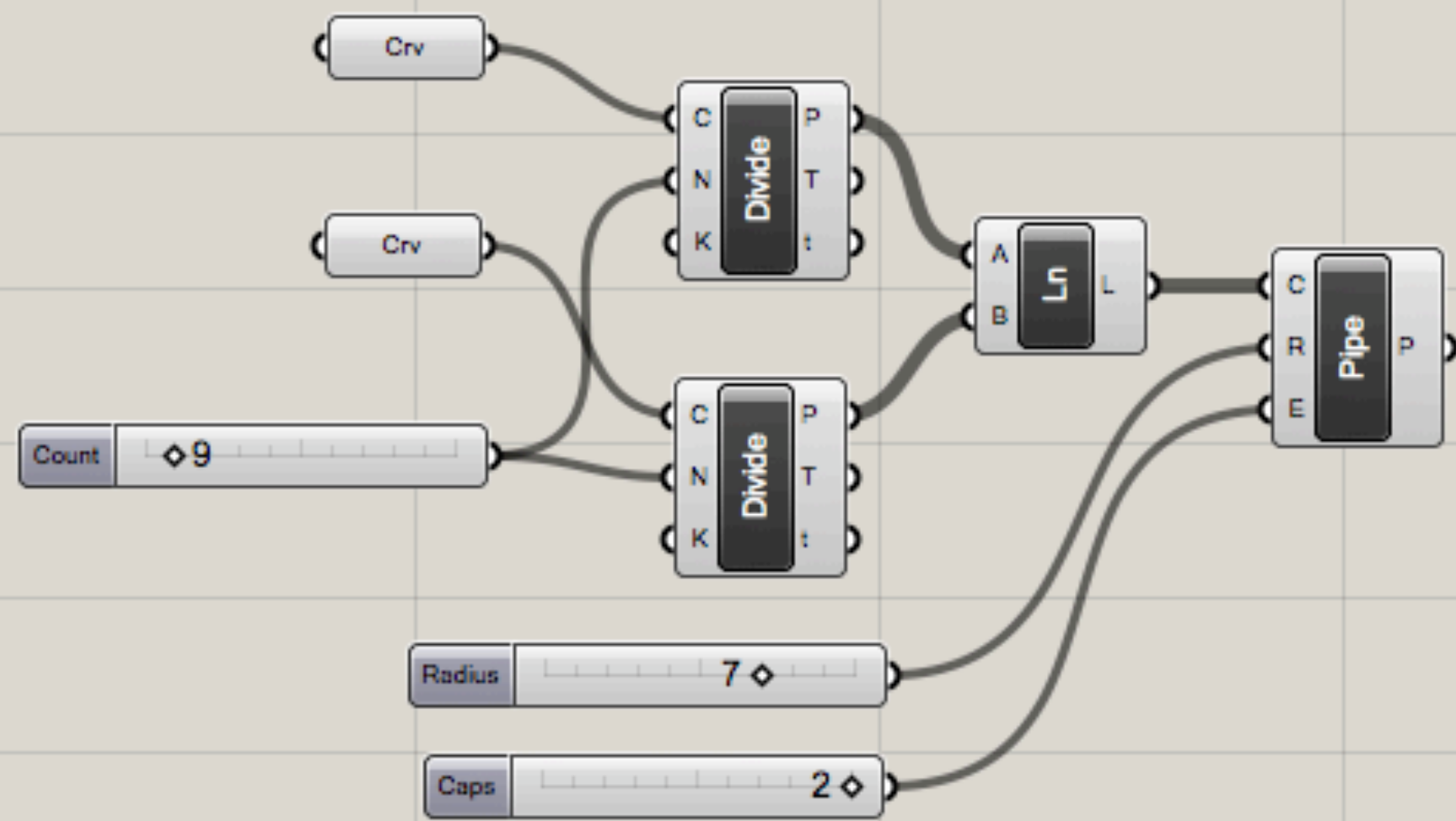
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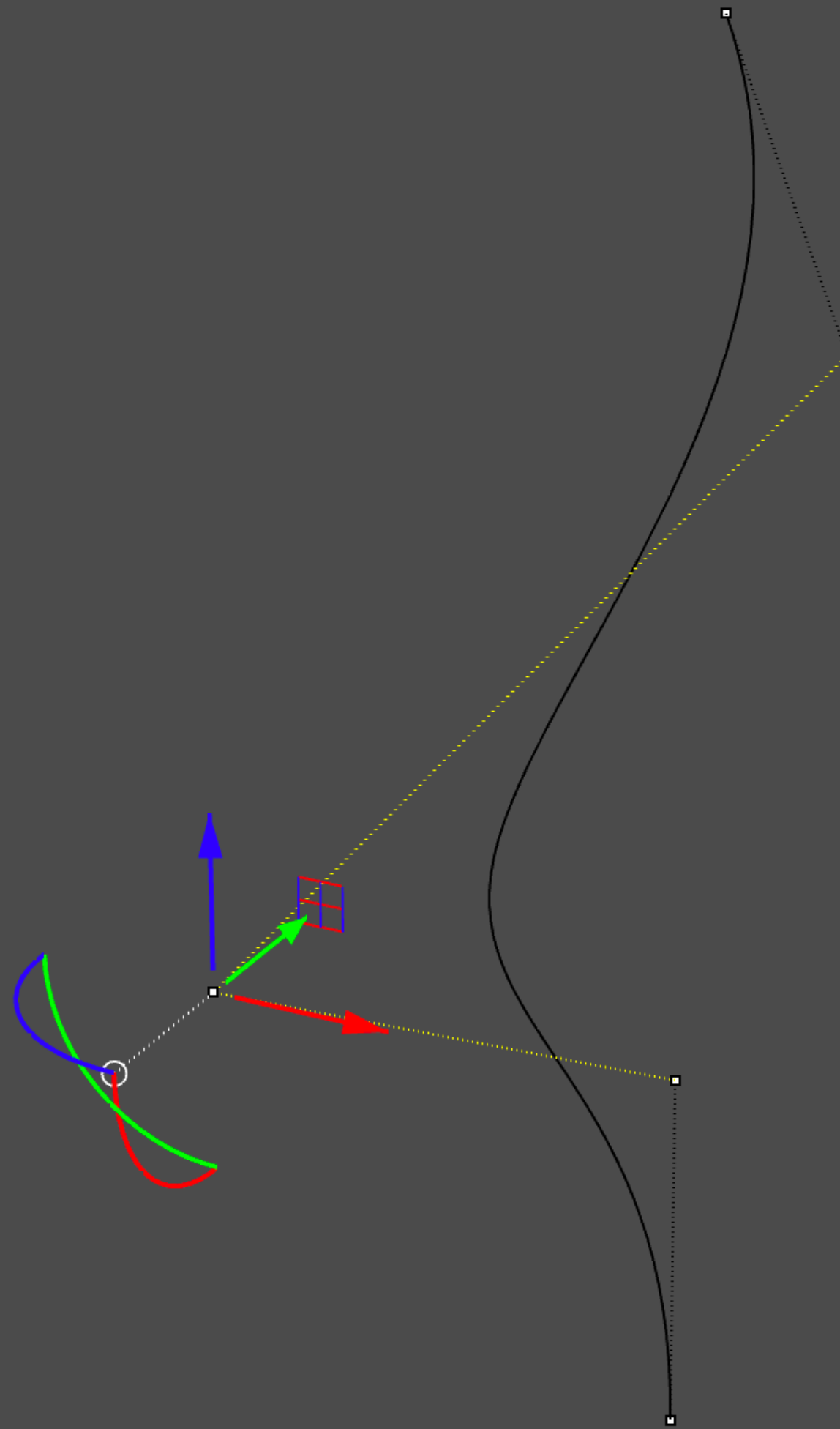
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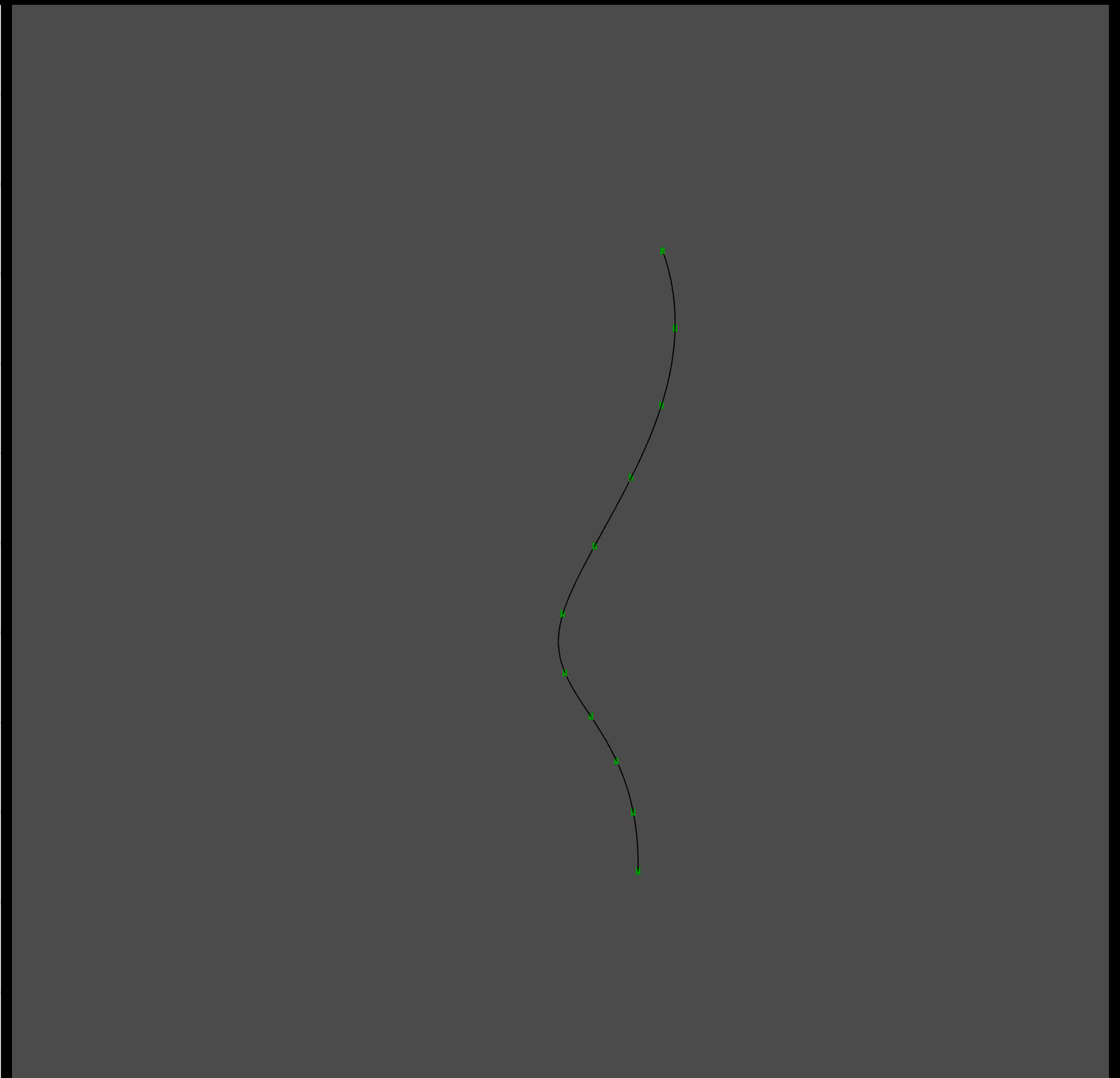
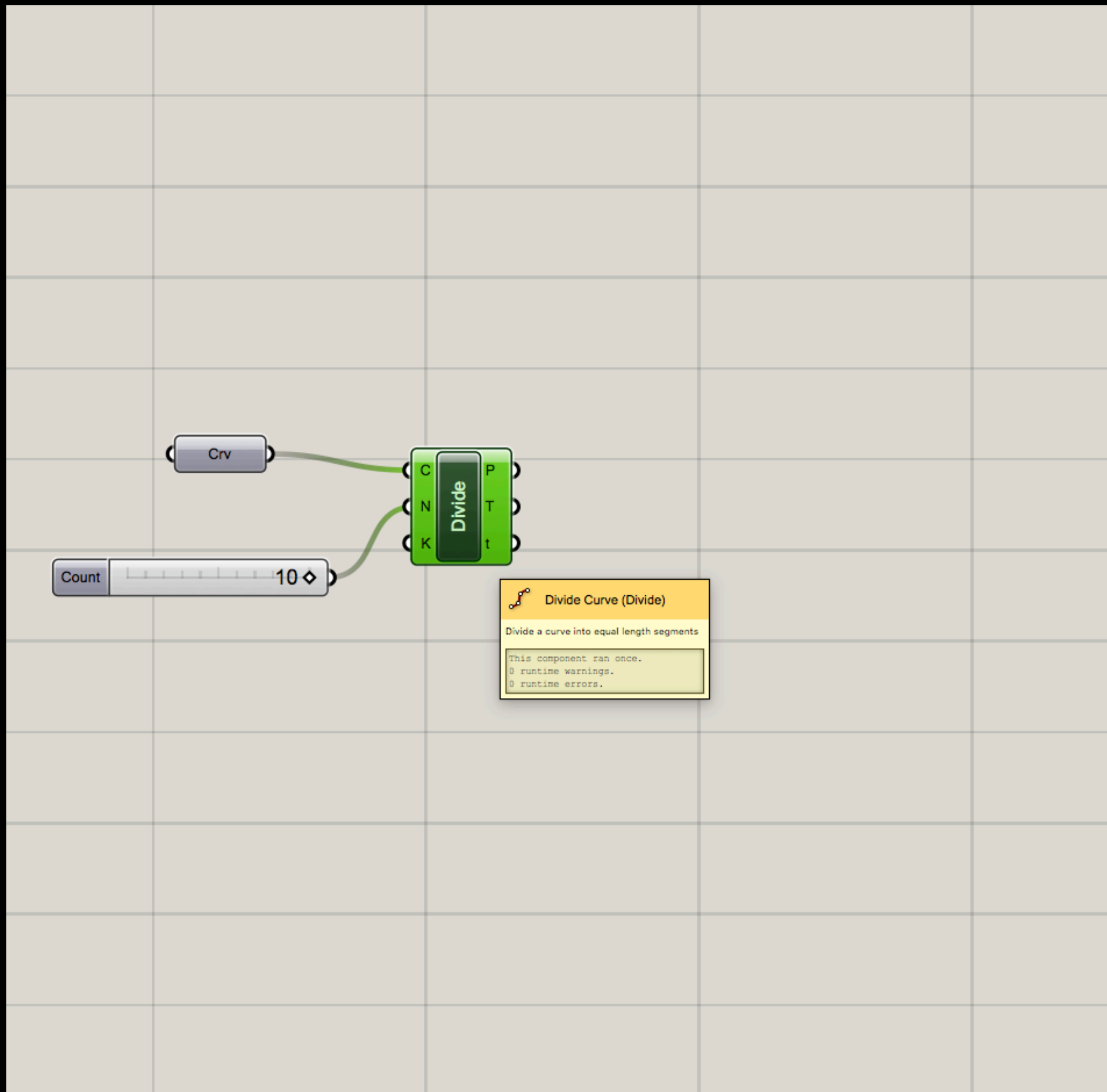
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# Tower with variable diameter



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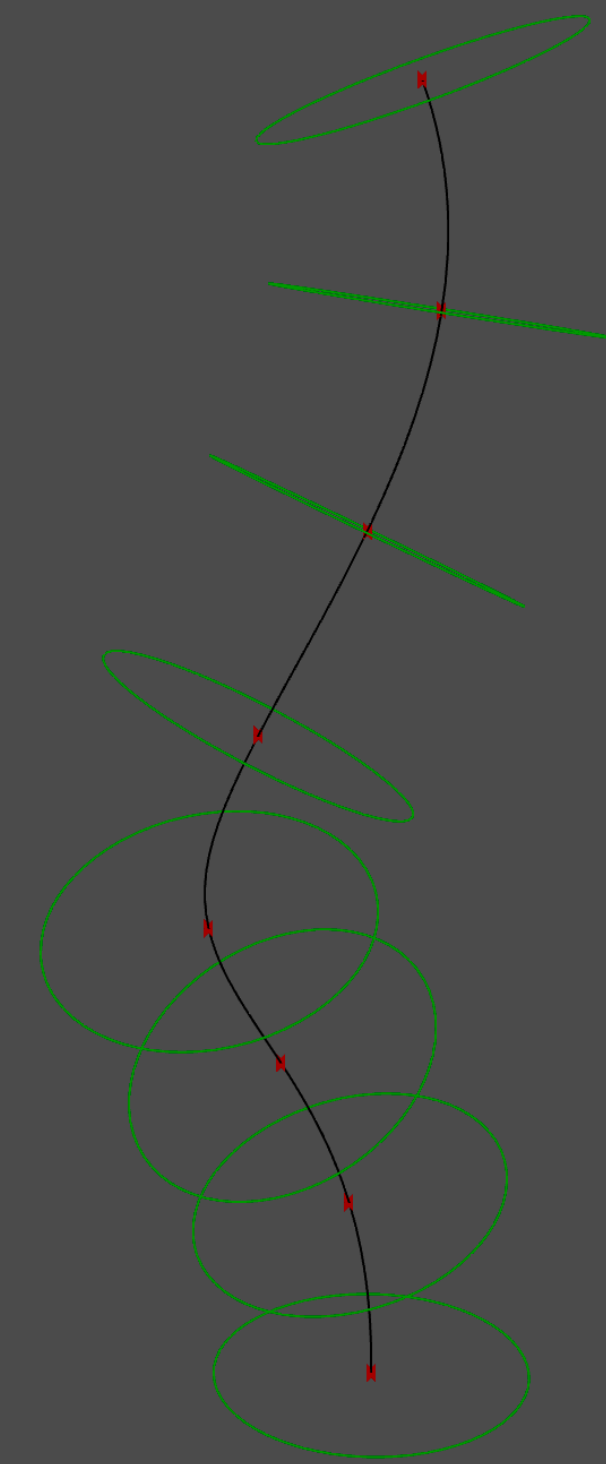
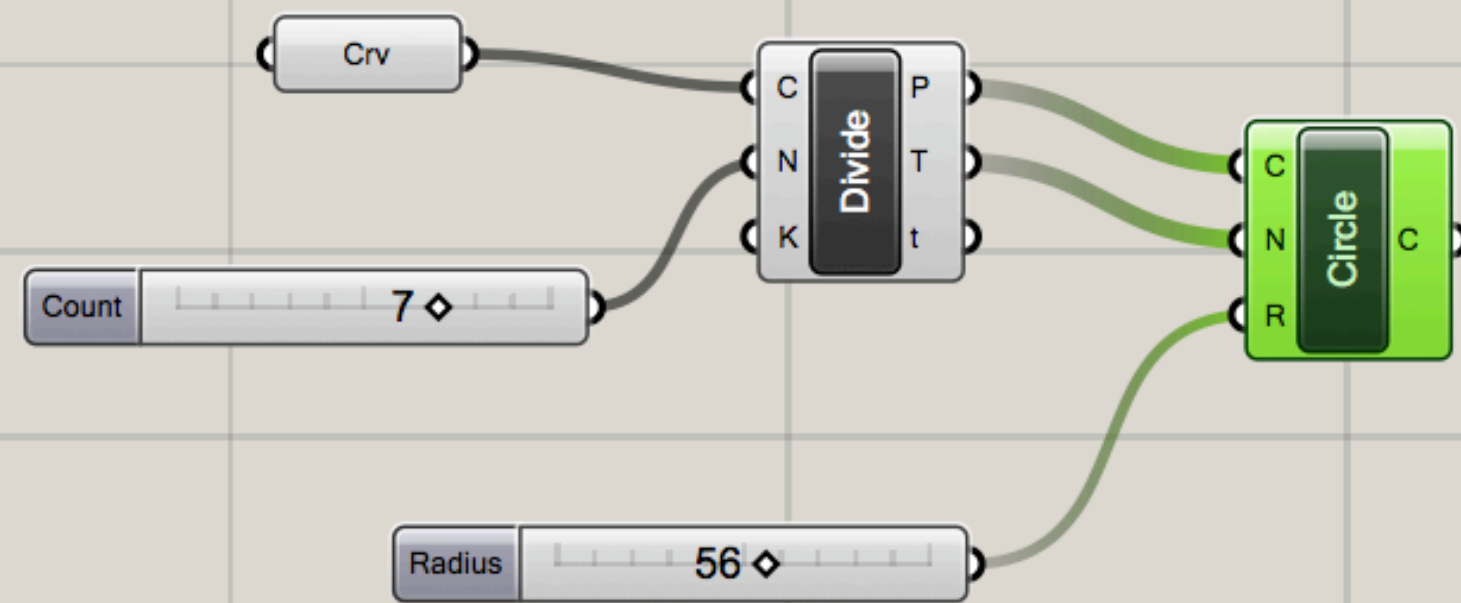
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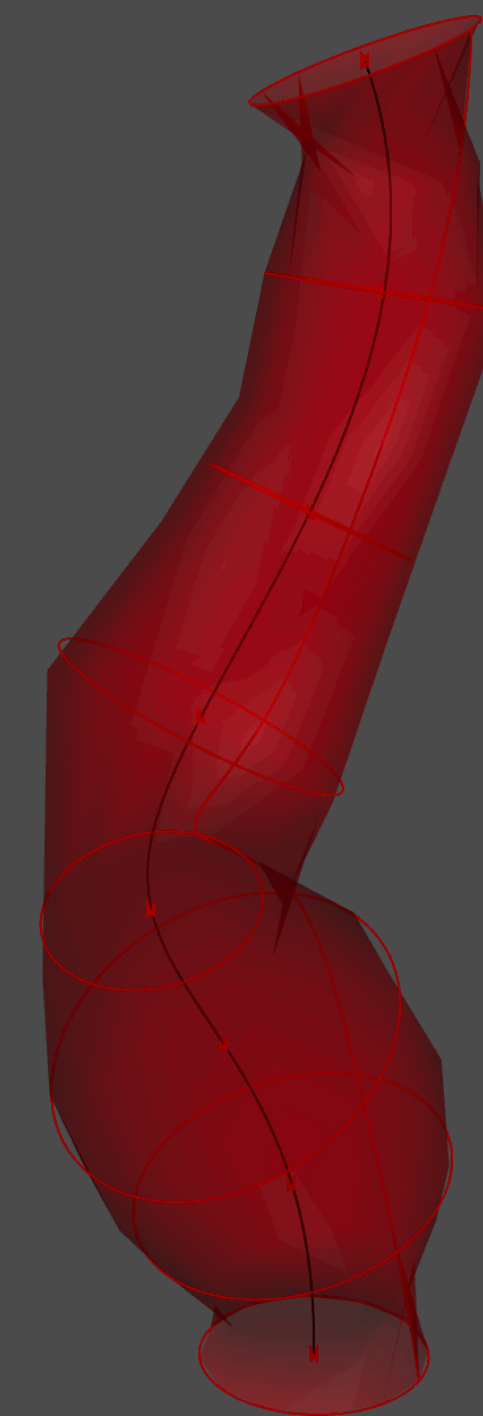
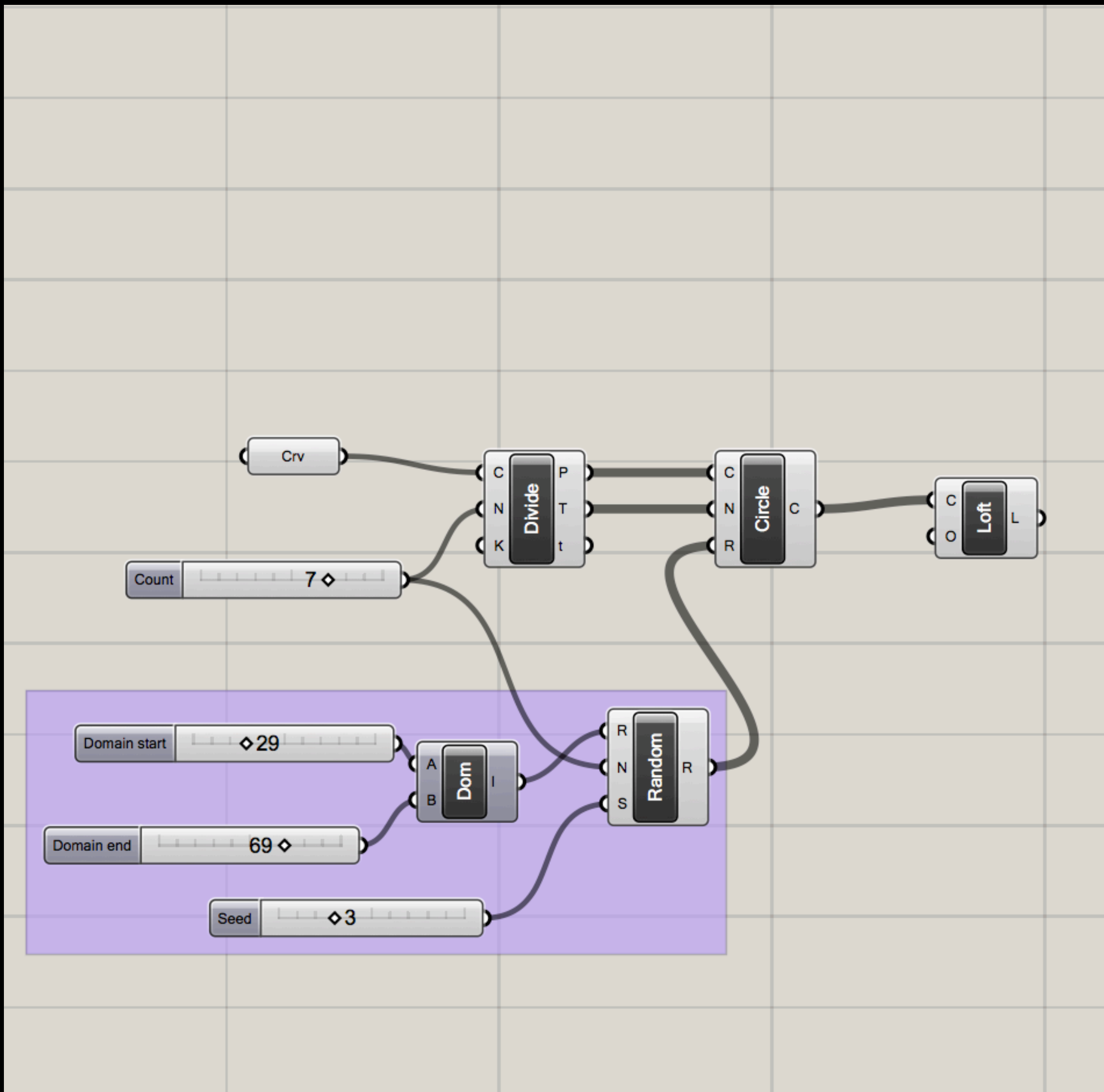
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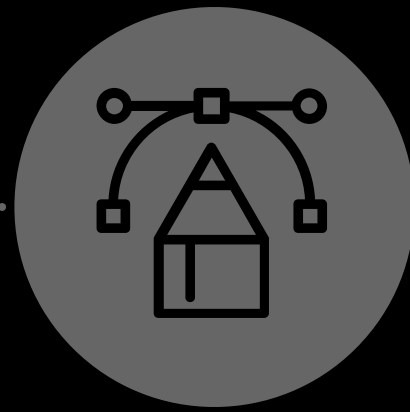


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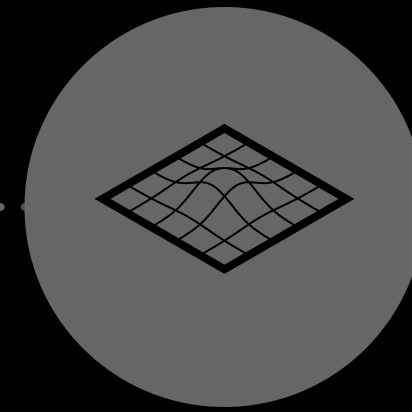
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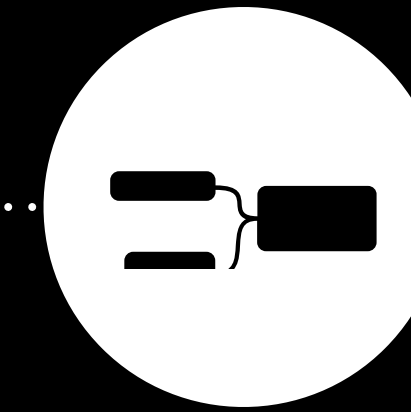
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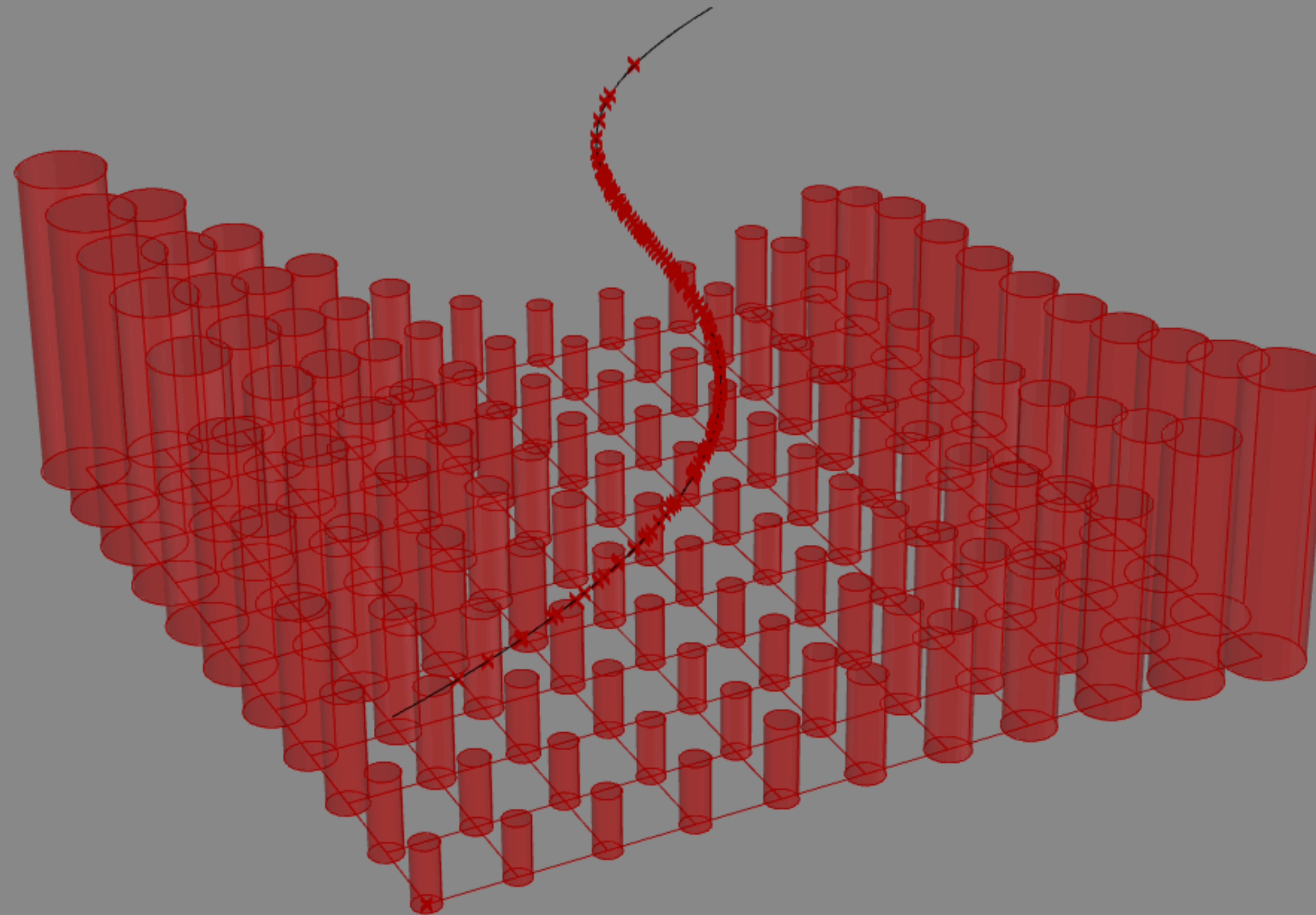


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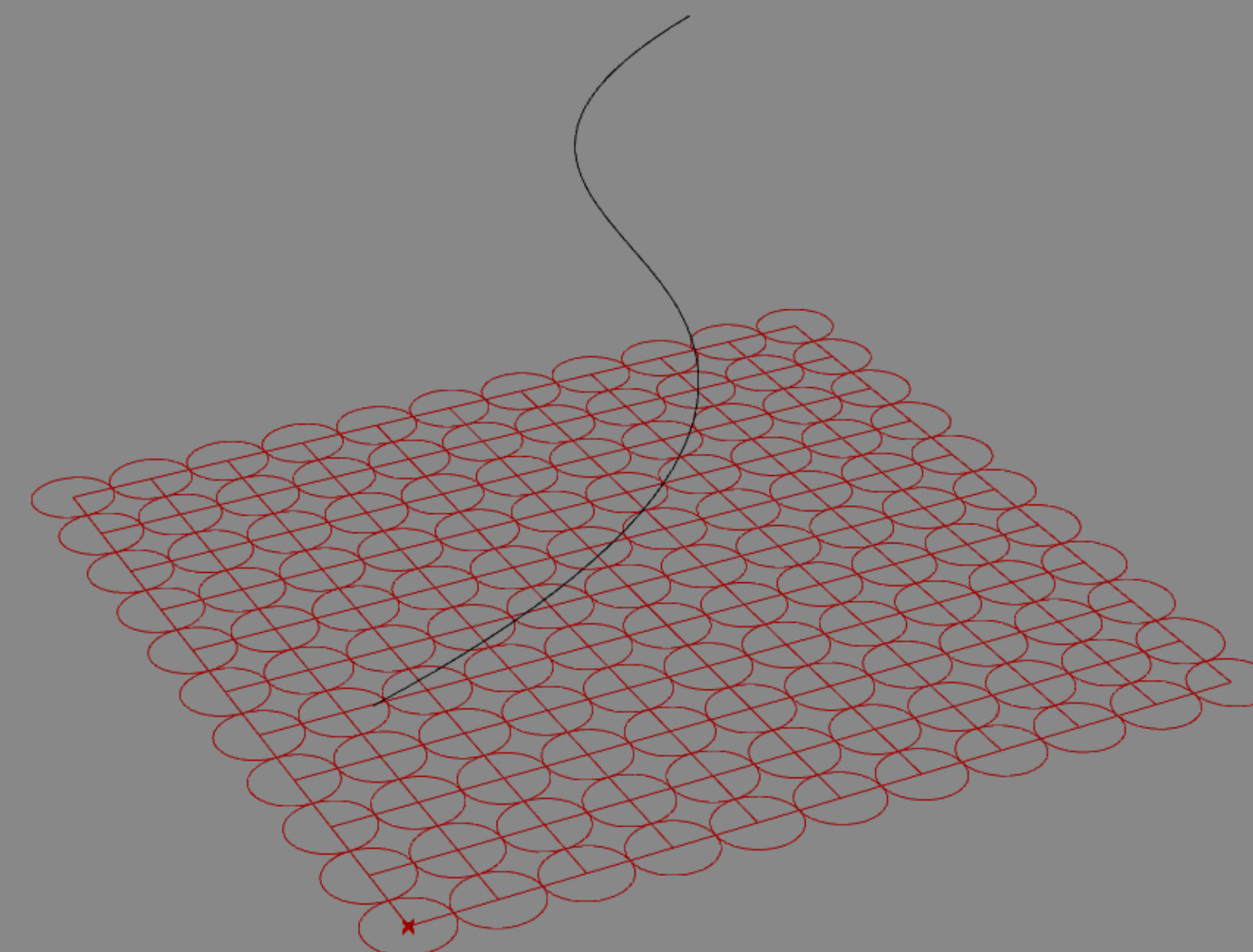
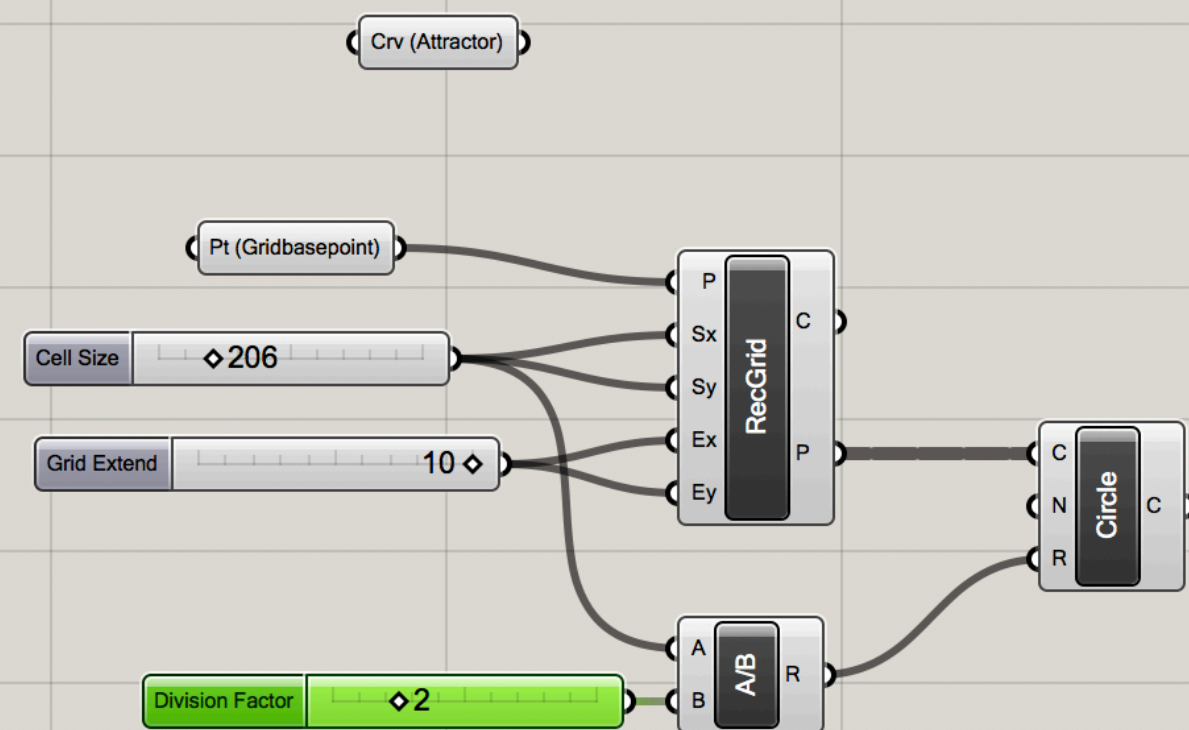
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# Grids, Attractors & Remapping



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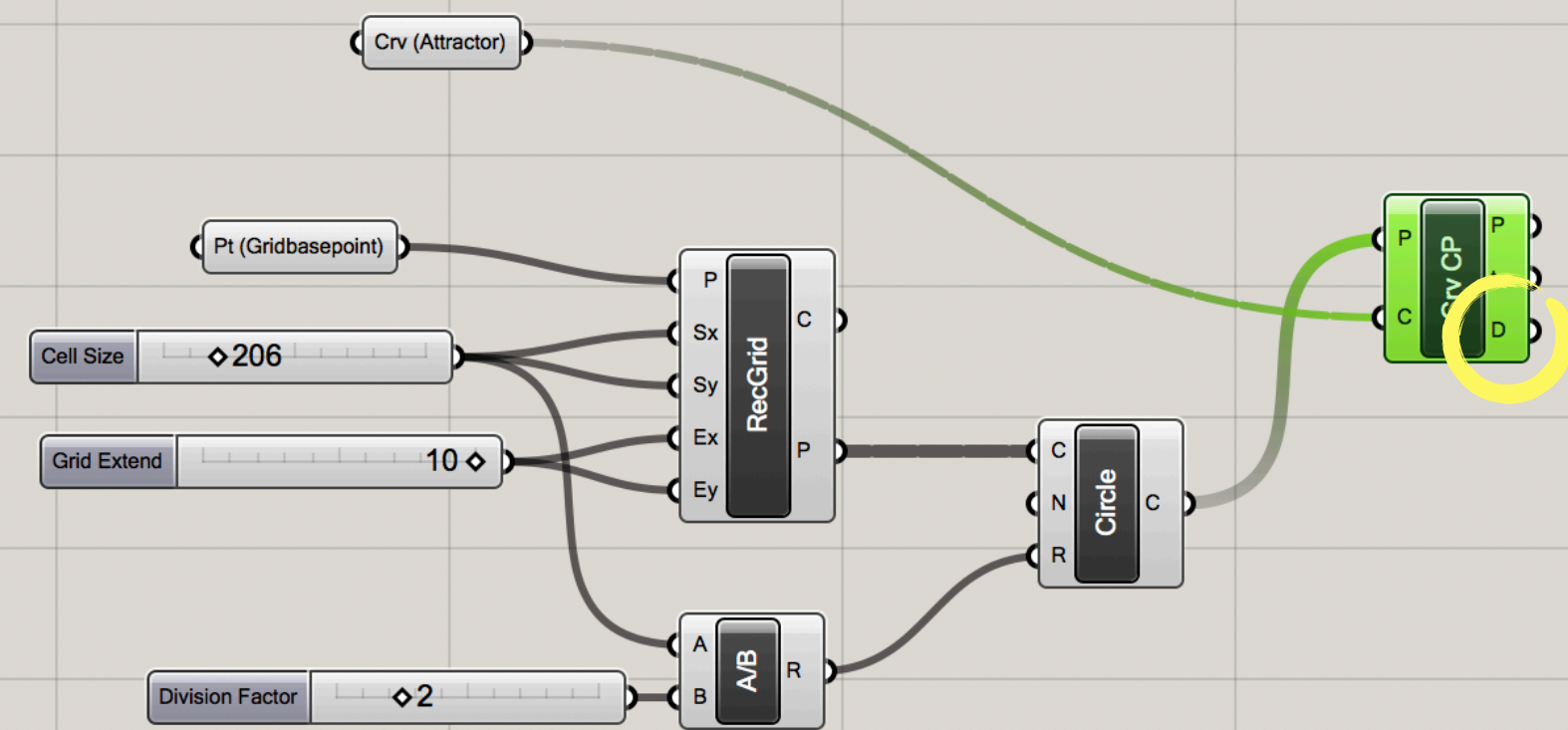


- In Rhino: create a **Point** and a **CV Curve** and connect them to Grasshopper
- In Grasshopper: create a grid „**RecGrid**“ using the Point as a Base point, Sliders to control the extend and size of the grid
- Create Circles using the Grids Points (P) as center and the **division** of the Cell size as radius (R)

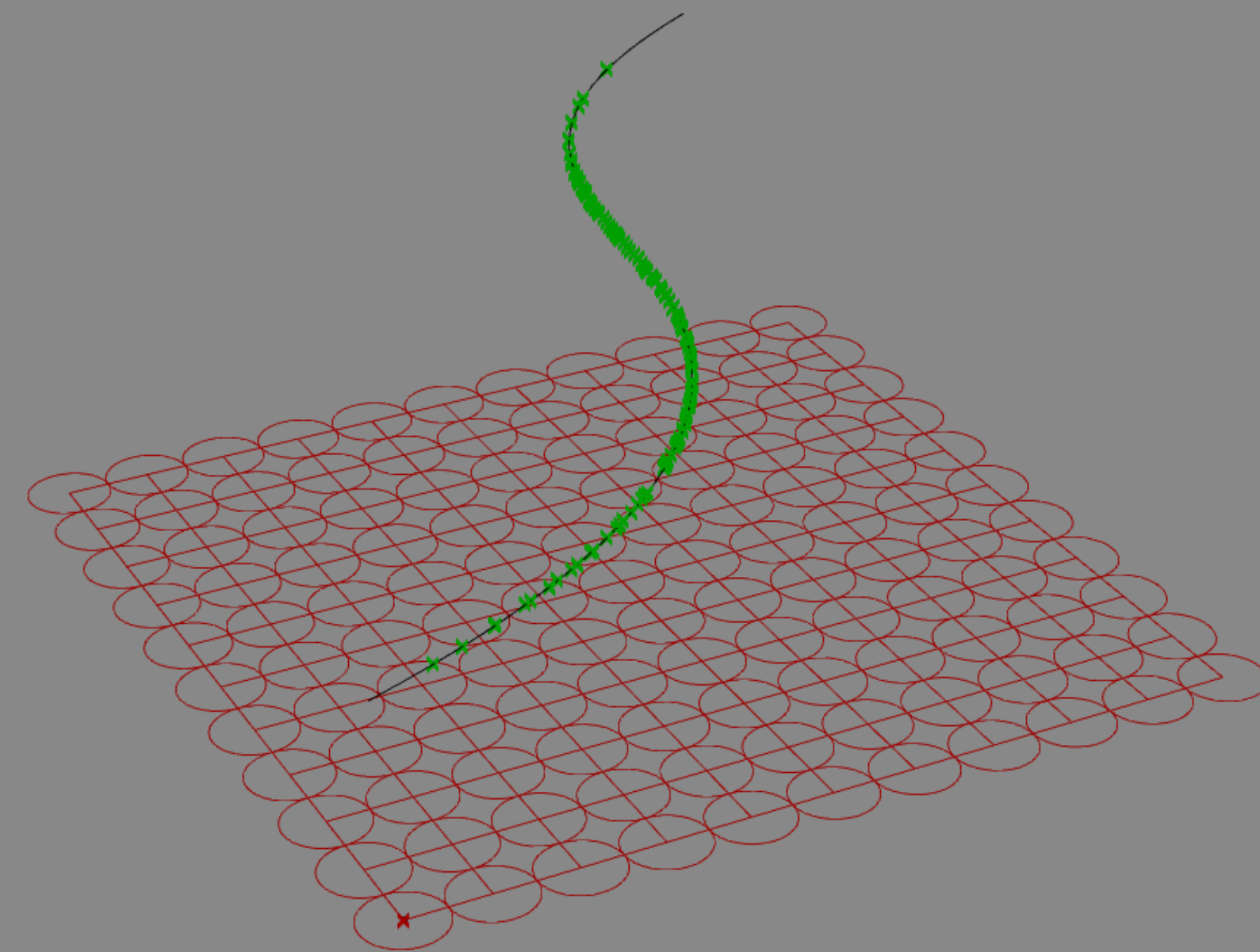


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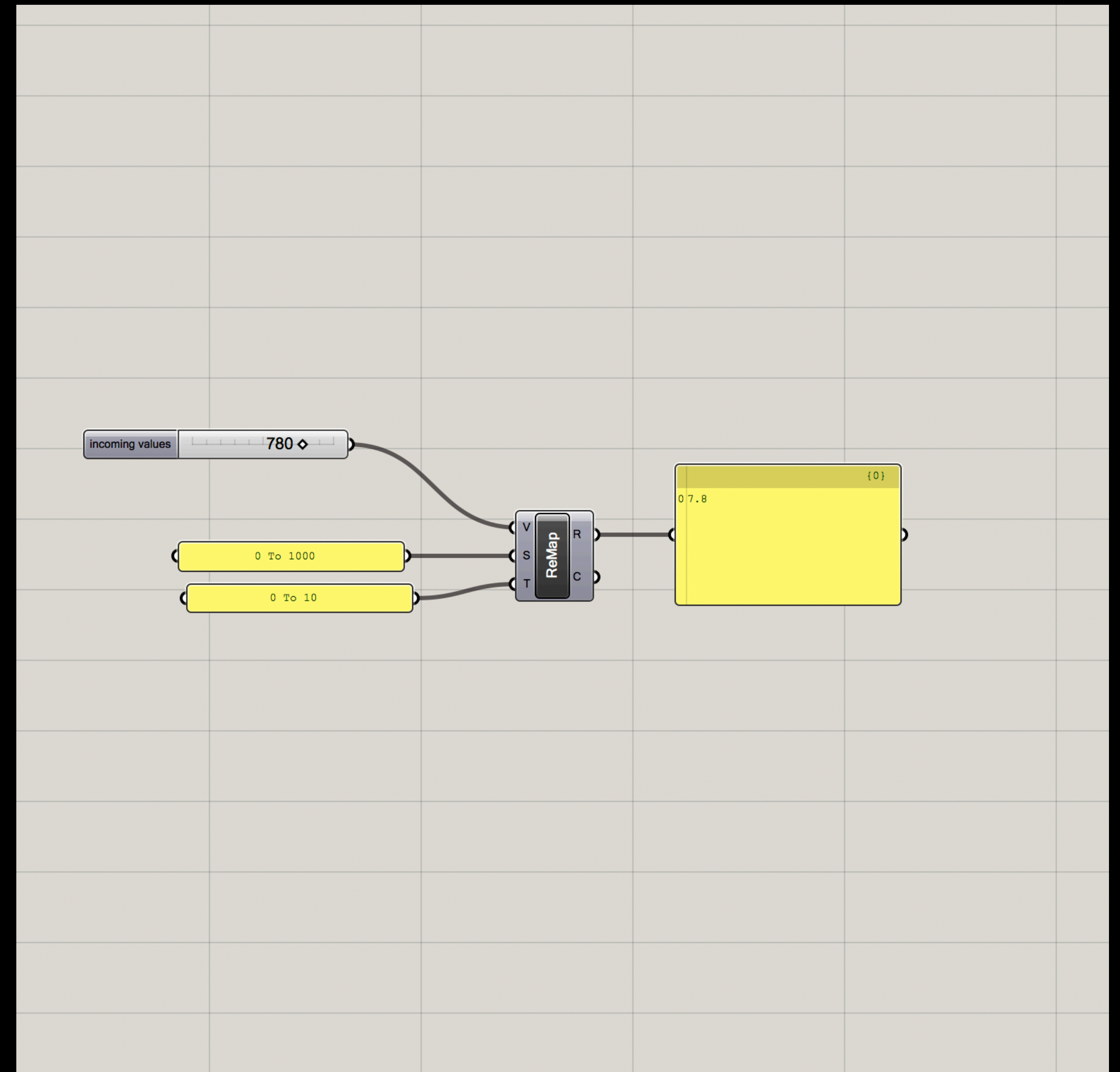
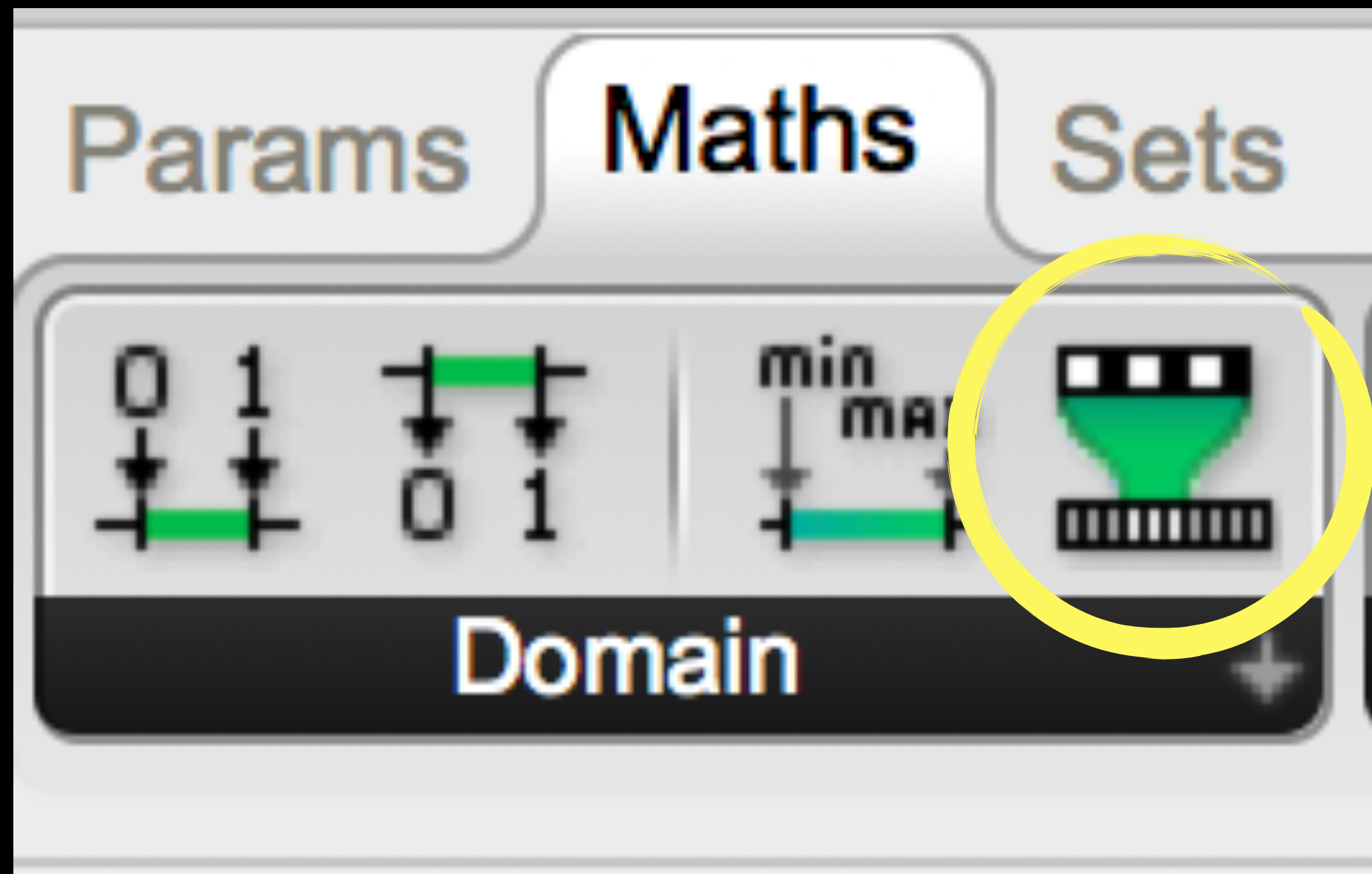
- We want to find out how the distance between each circle and the attractor curve is. We use the Curve Closest Point (**Crv CP**) to achieve that.
- We can then use the resulting Distance (D) to drive the scale and extrusion height of the circles





## Example

# Grids, Attractors & Remapping

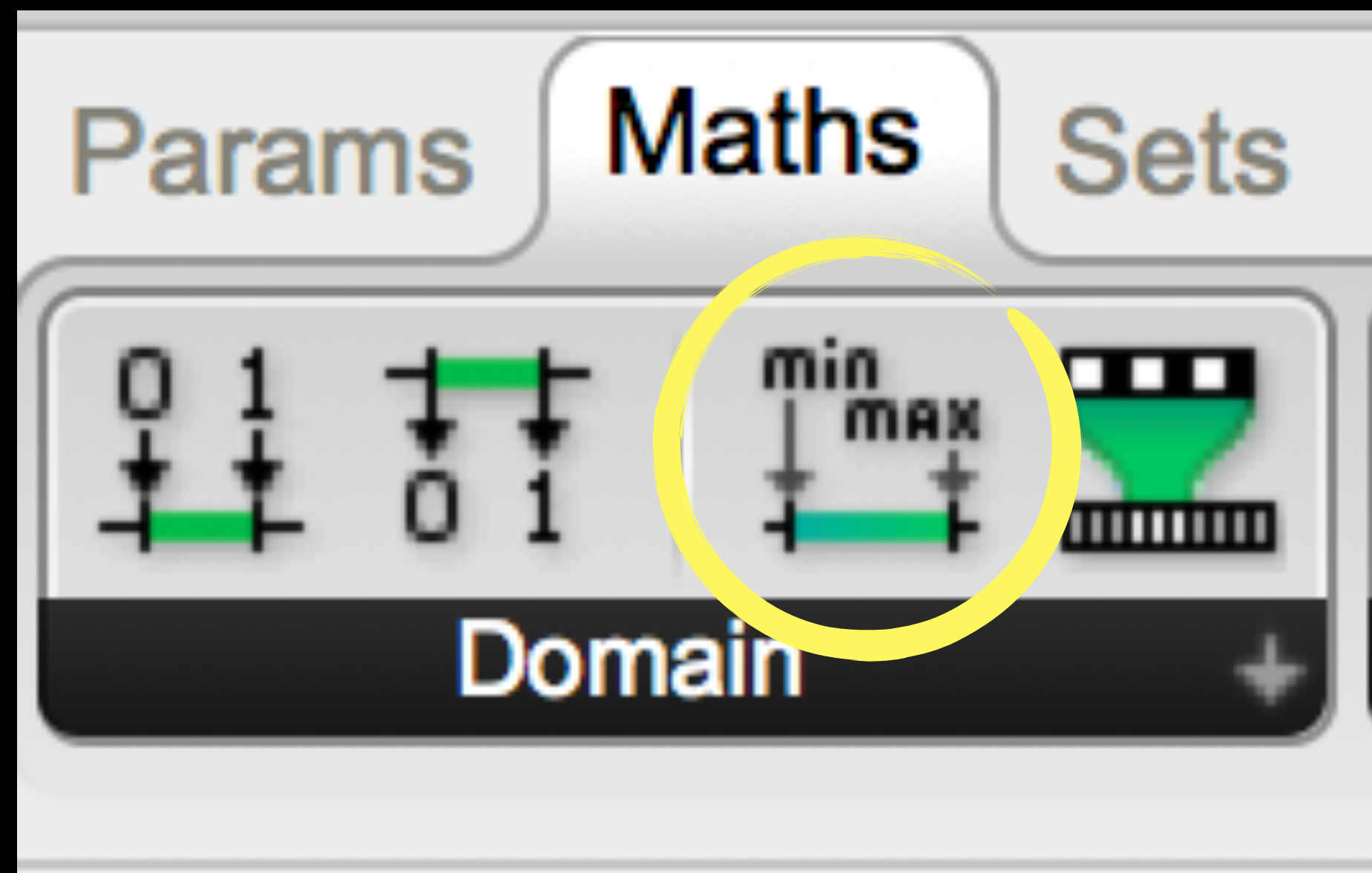


- Remap allows us to take a range of numeric values and remap them to a new range

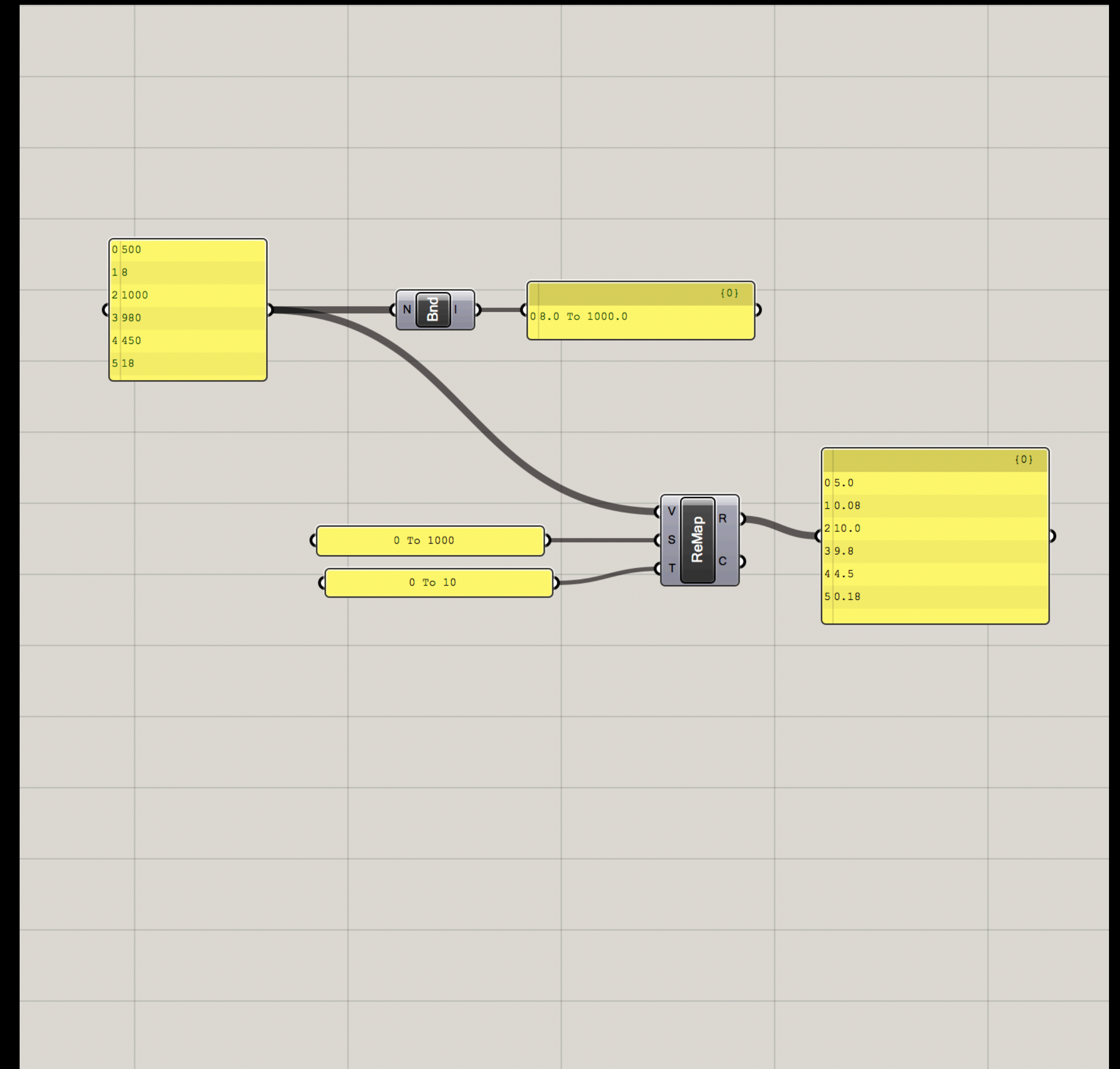


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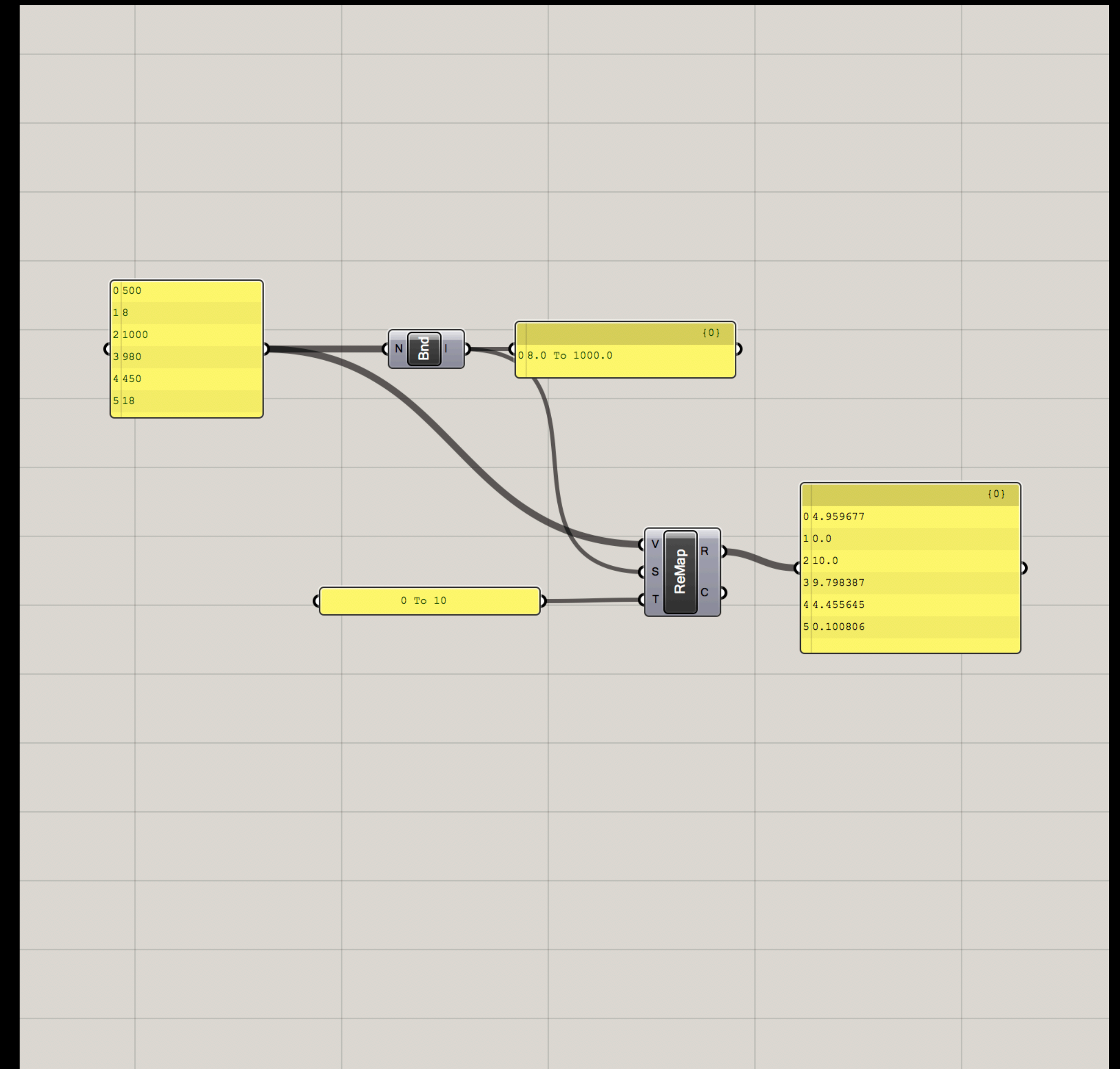
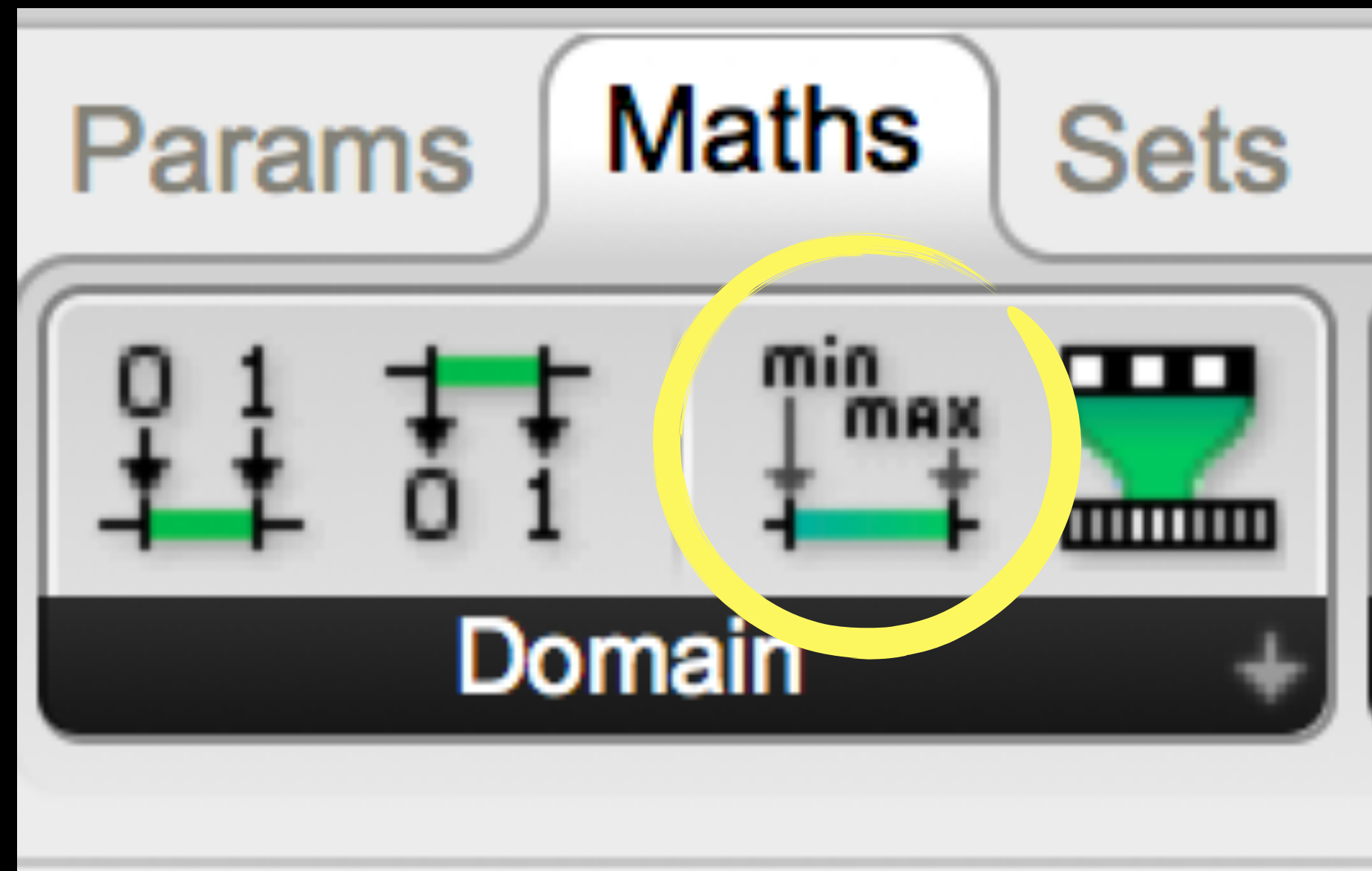


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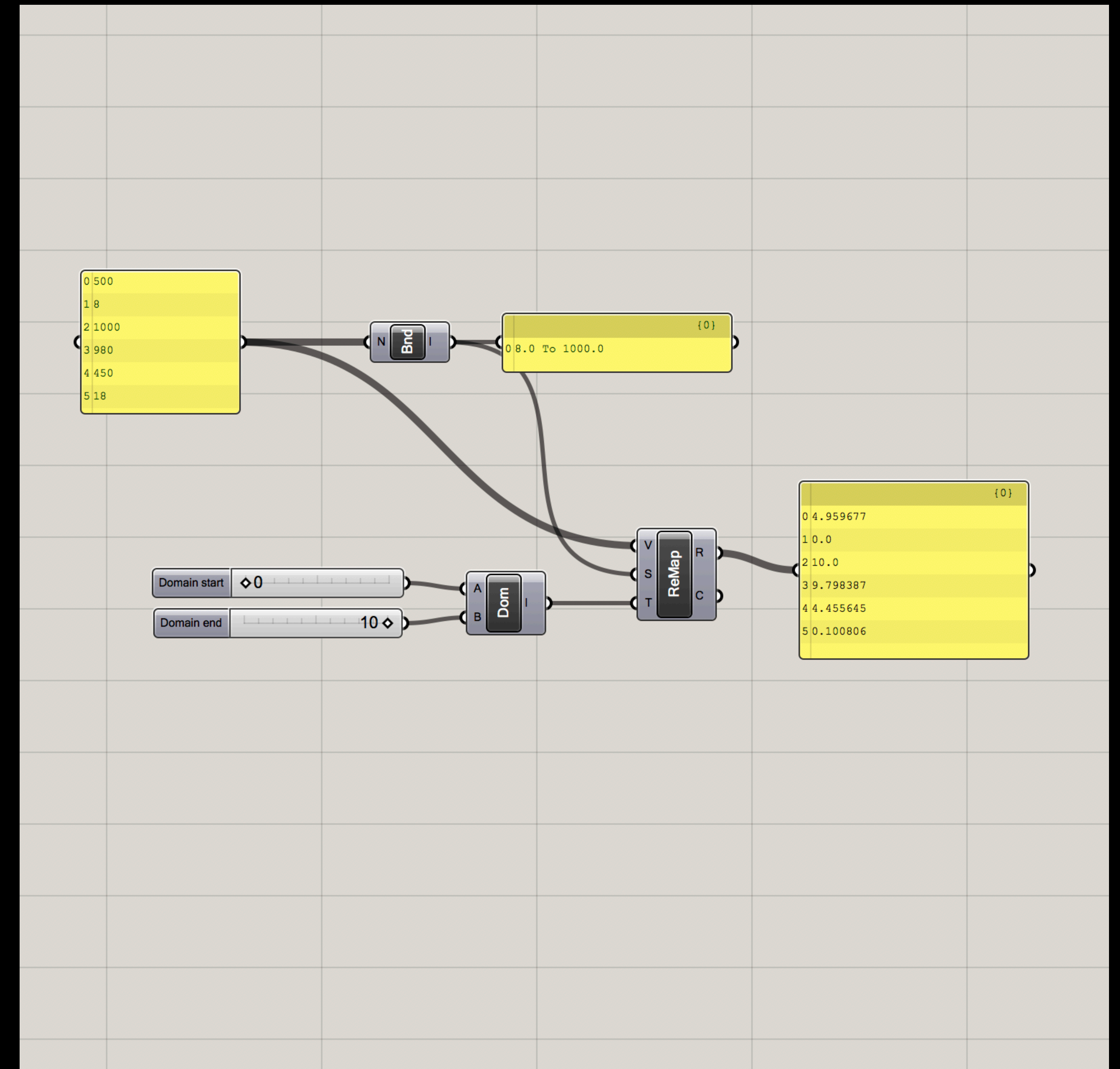
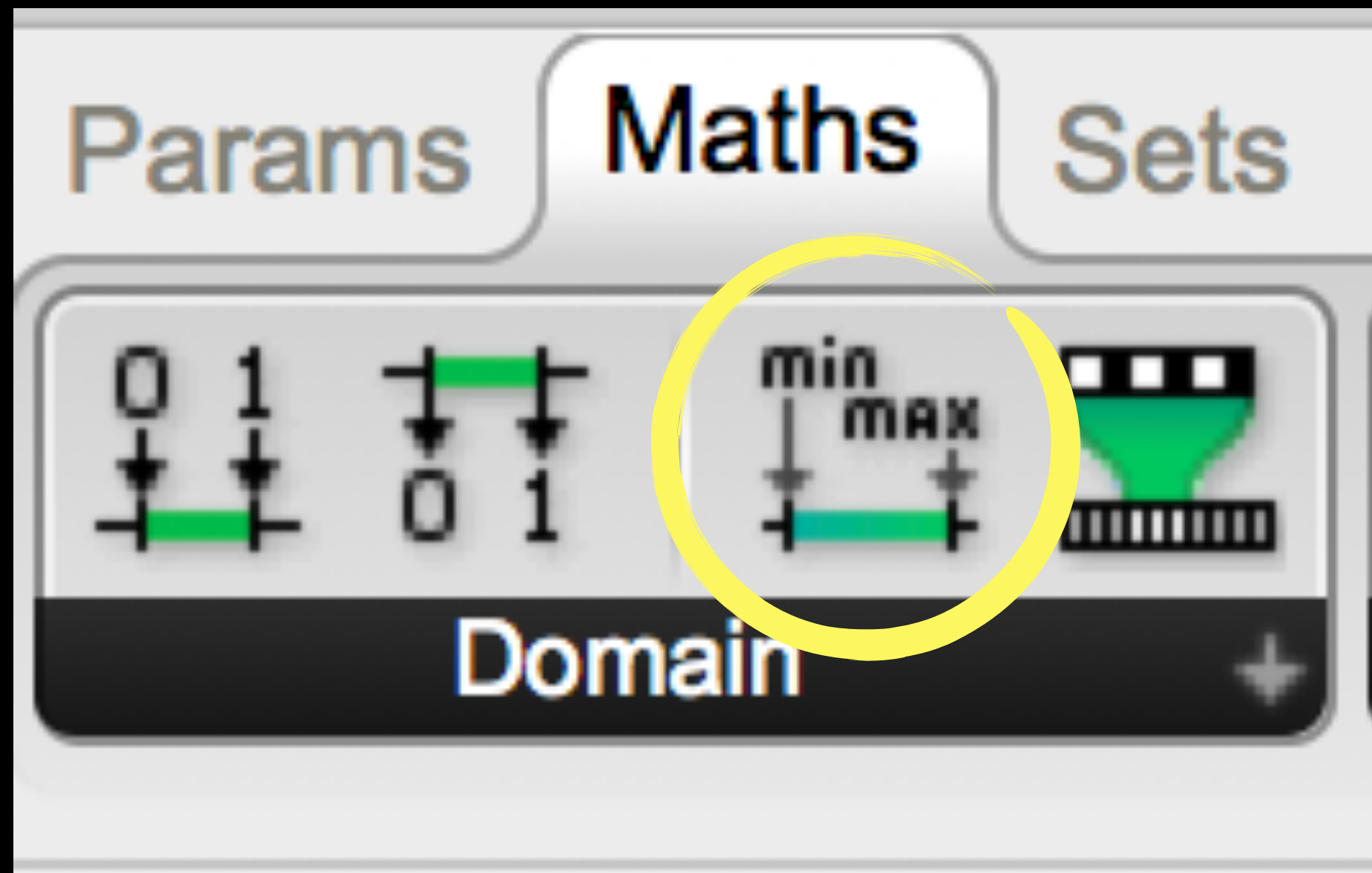


- Bounds allows us to find the minimum and maximum in a list of values. This range can be used to drive the source domain (S) for the remapping function



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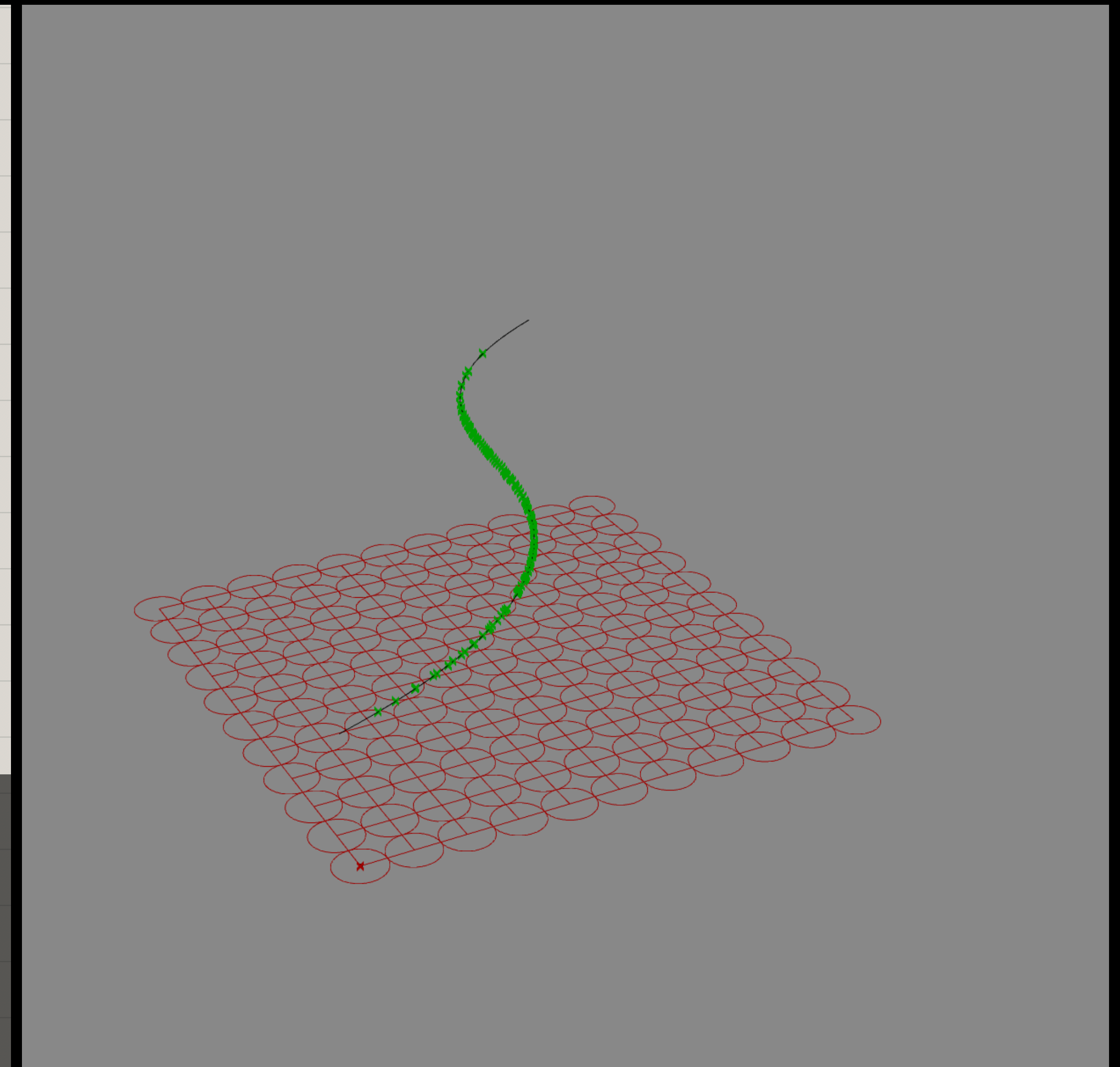
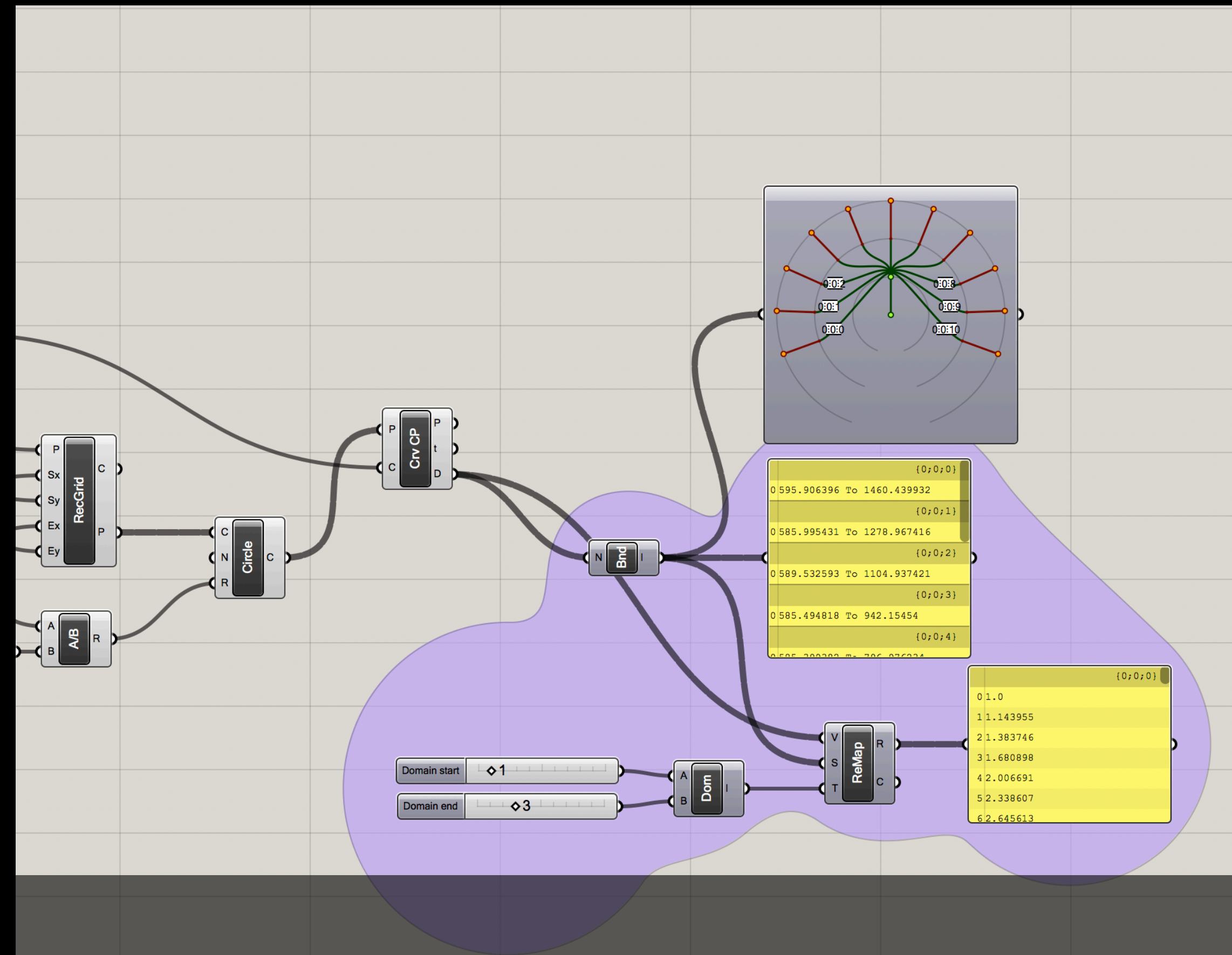
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- The target domain can be constructed with number sliders to allow more control

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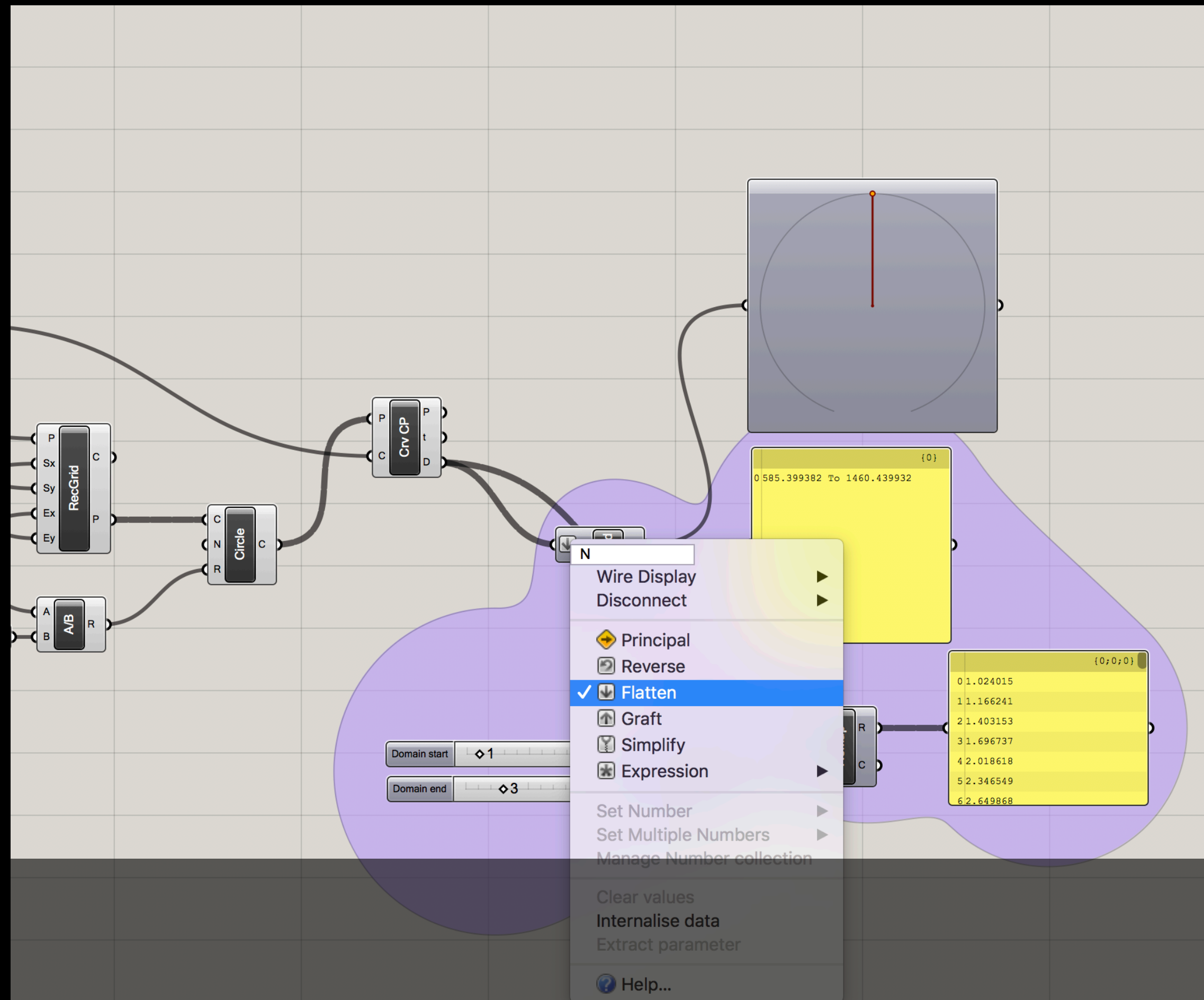


- Remapping does not work right away, as the distance values are „tree structured“

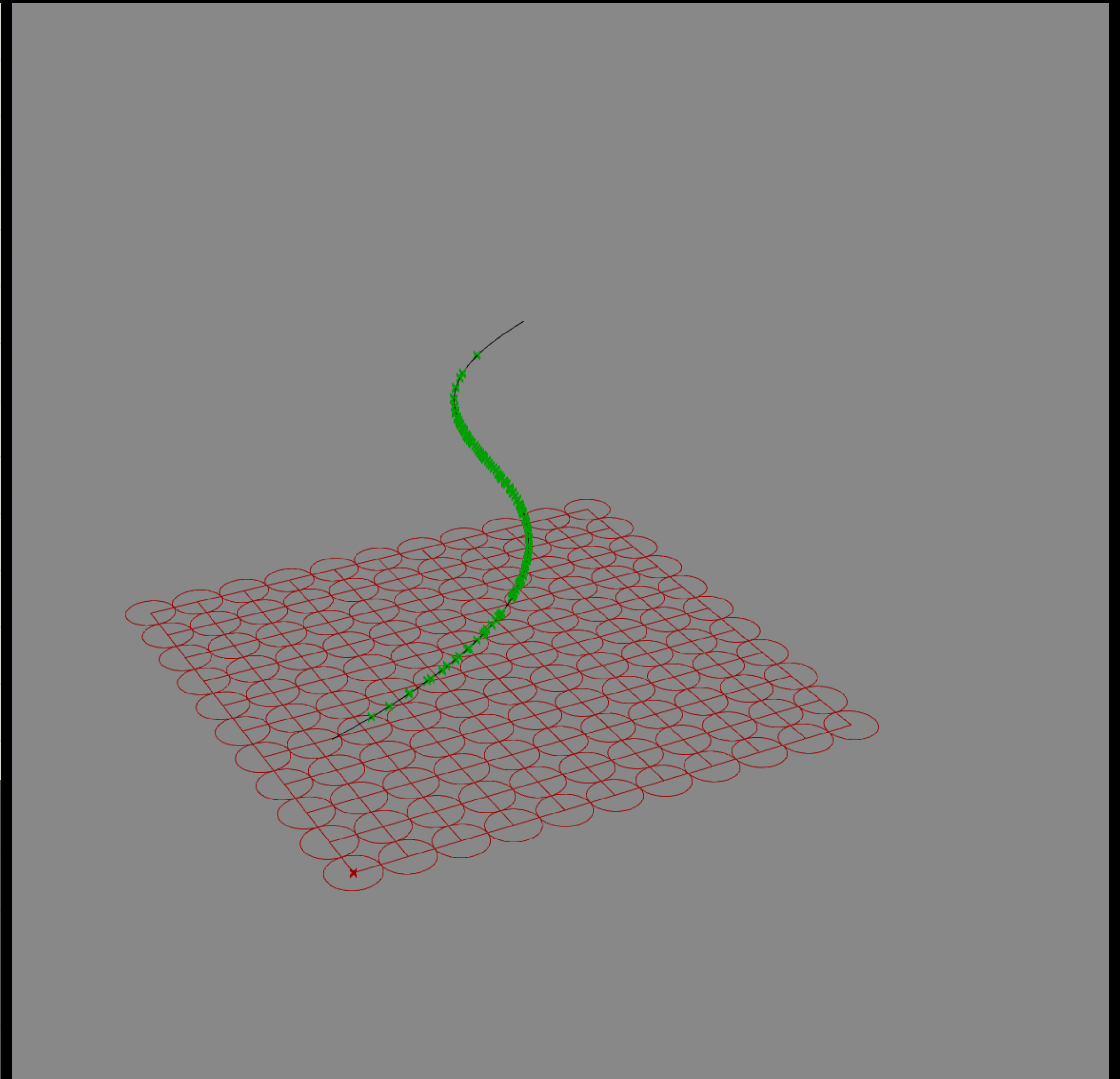


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- Using **Flatten** on the bounds input reduces the data to one strand







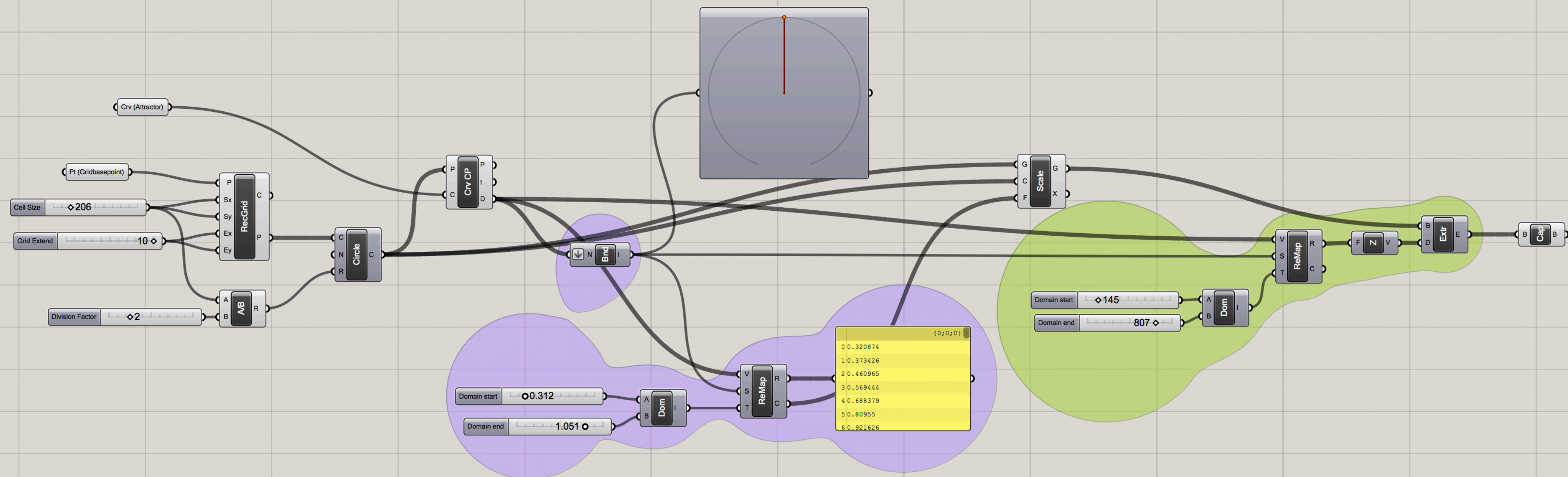






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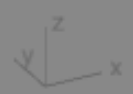
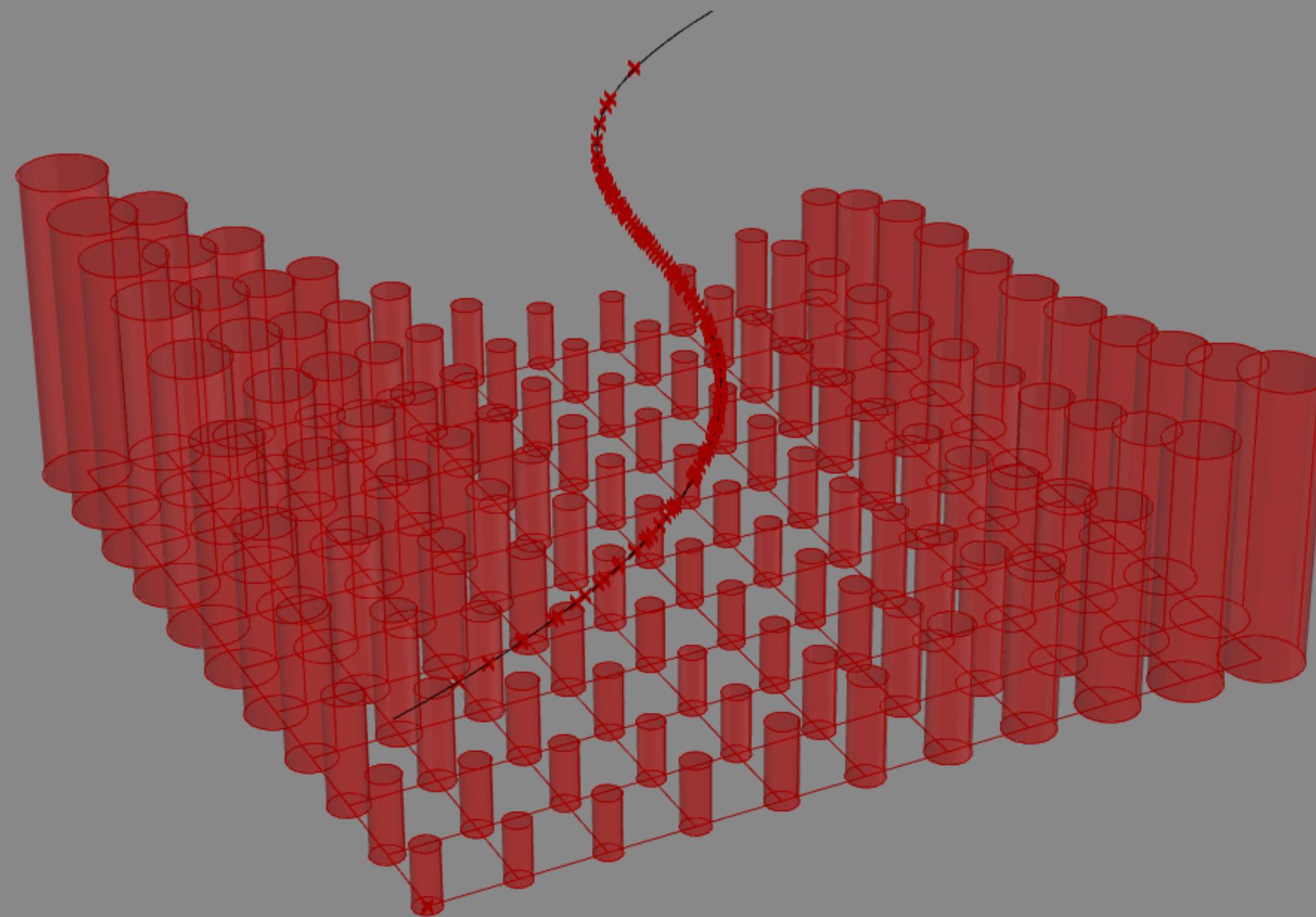


- The extrusion height can again be made dependent on the distance from the attractor line



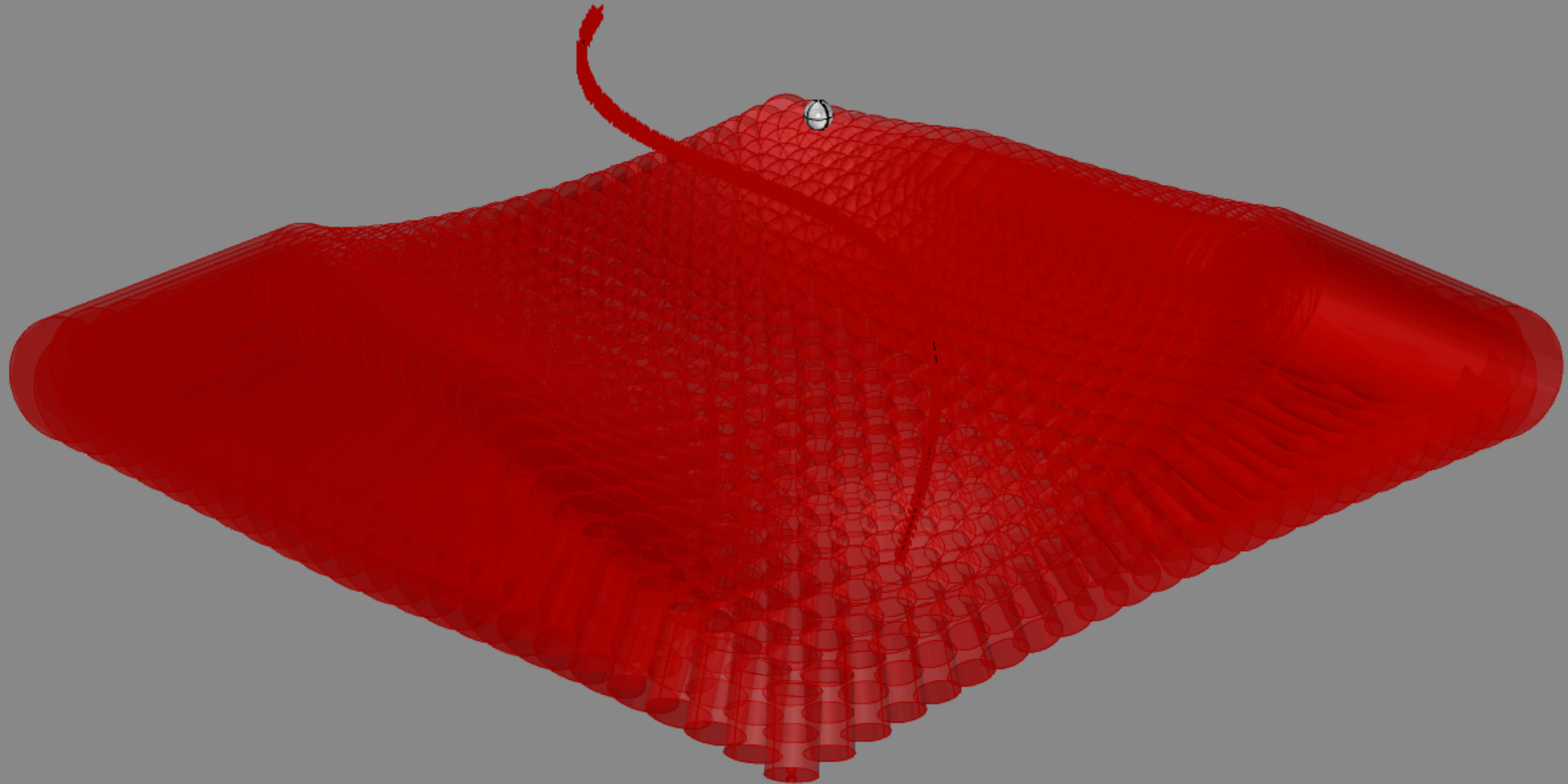
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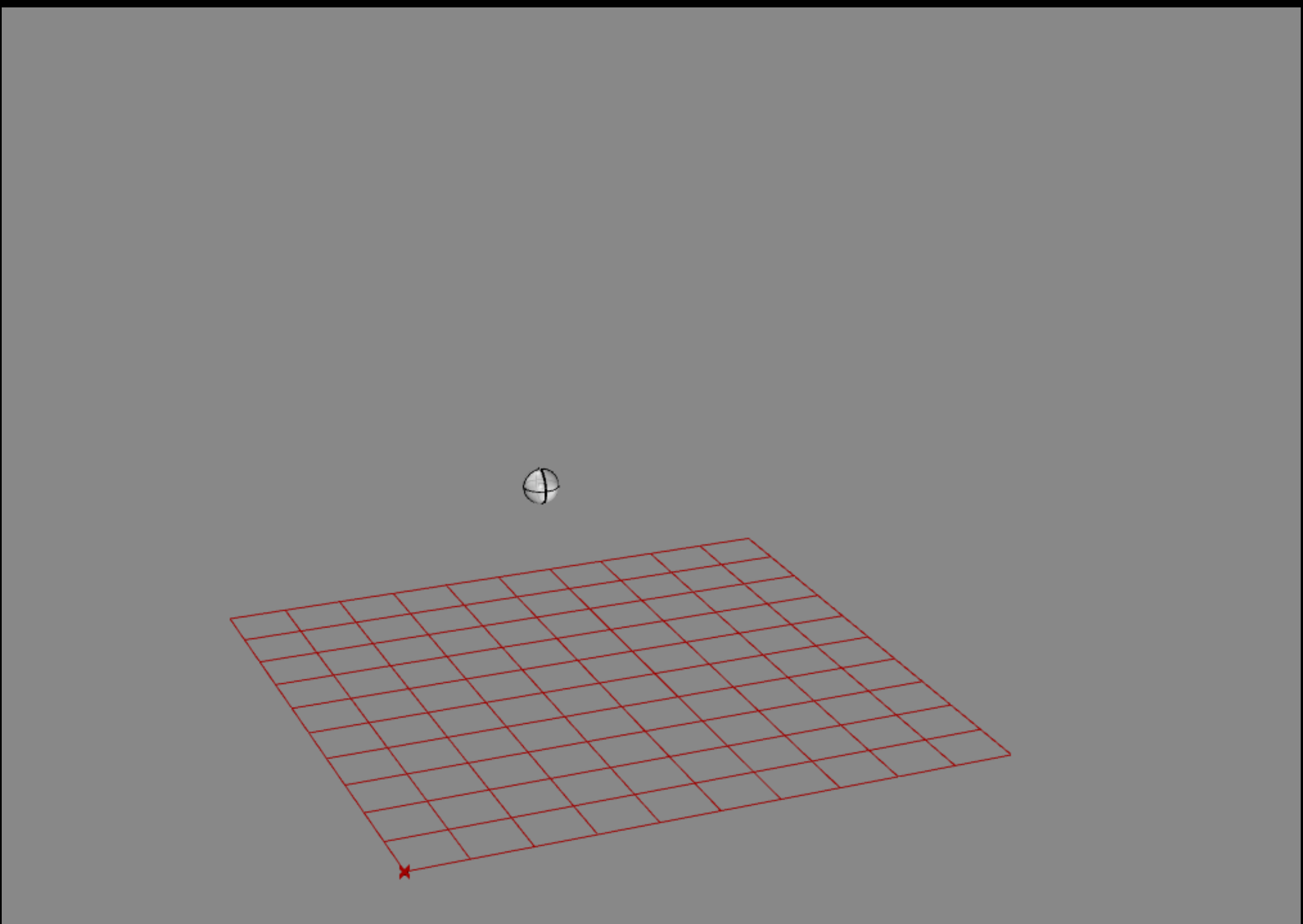
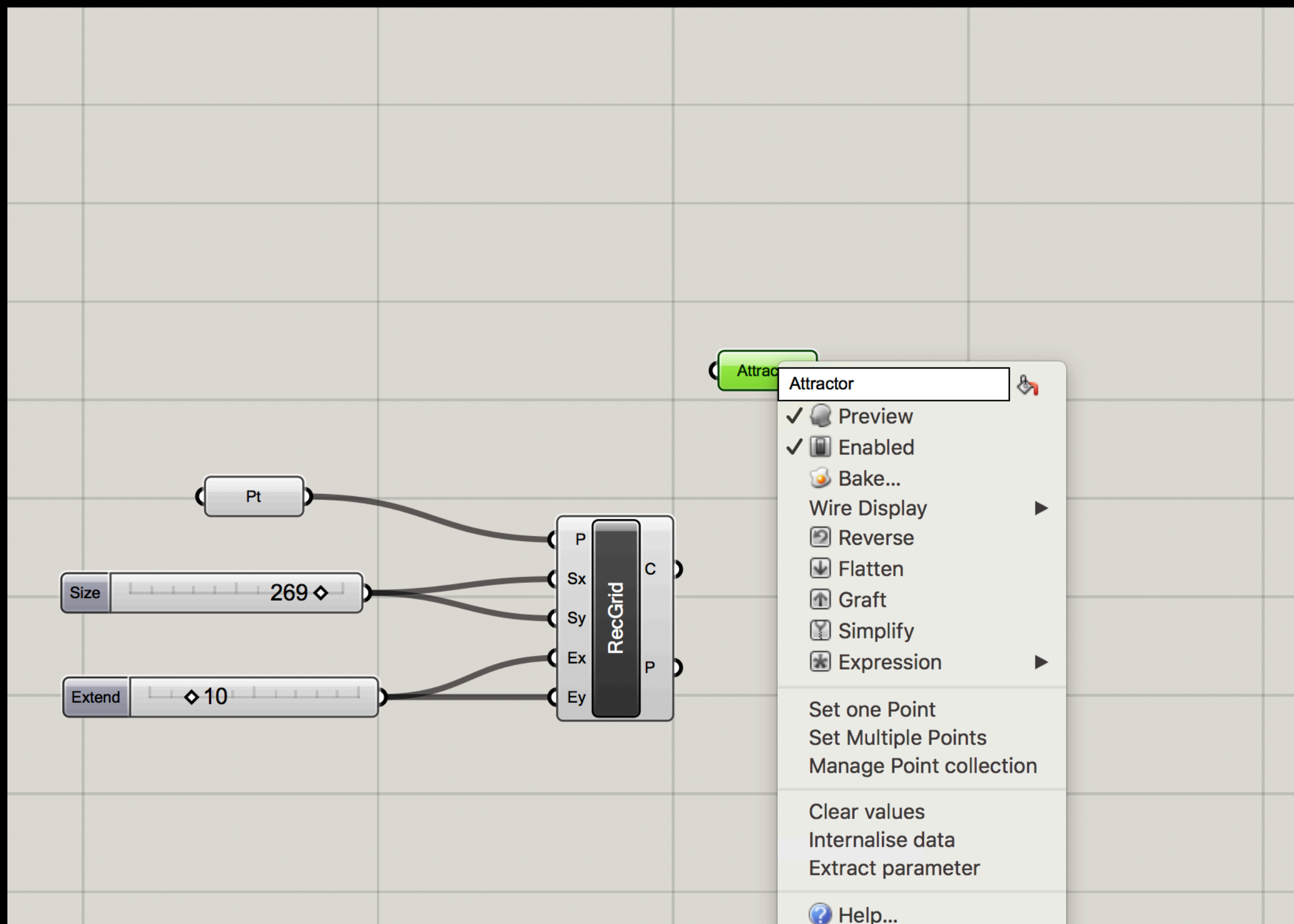
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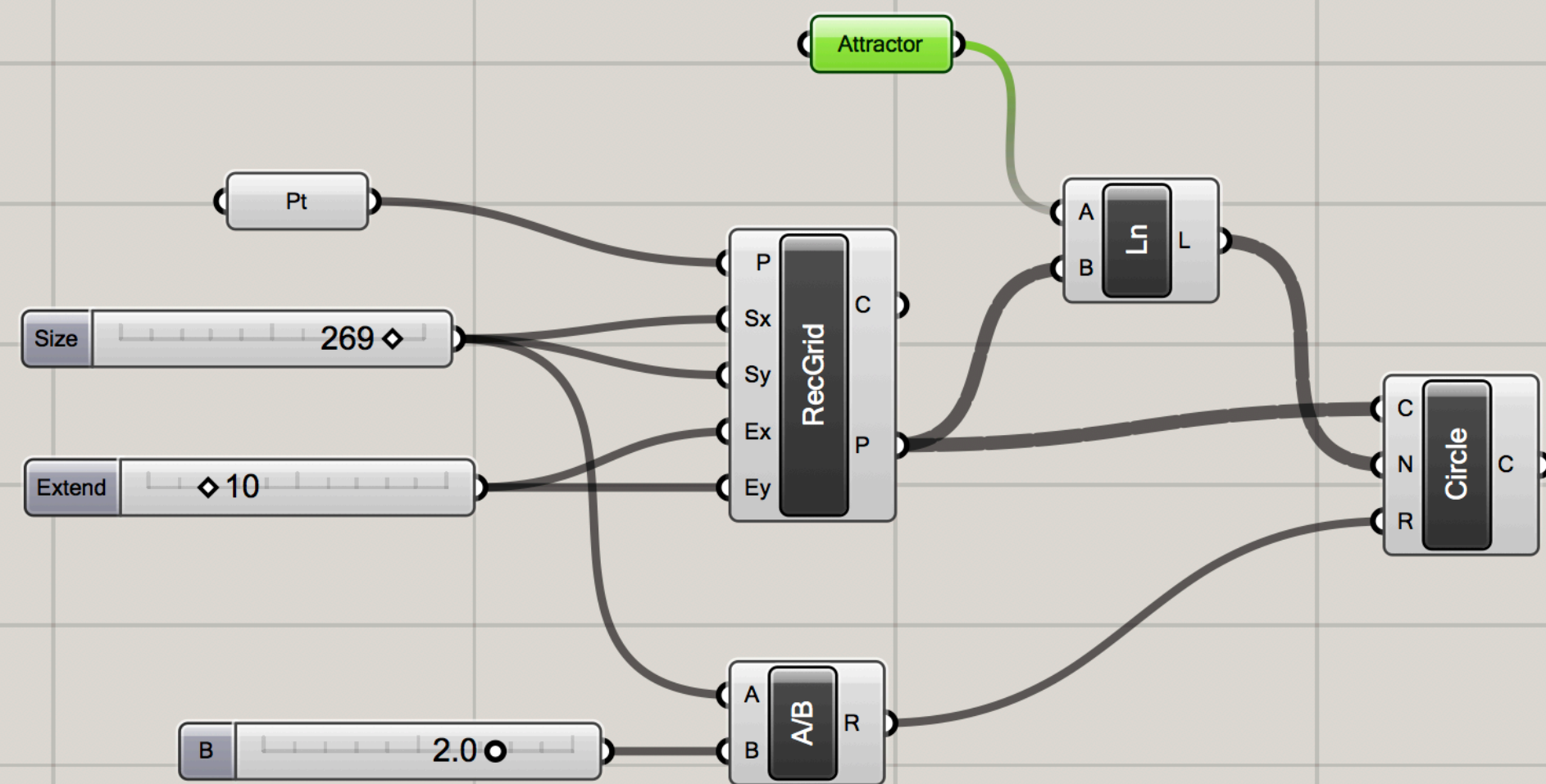
If we'd like to orient all cylinders to a attractor point we can do this with a couple of simple steps.

- Create an attractor (point) in Rhino and connect it to grasshopper. In this example I grouped the point with a sphere so it is easier to find and move around

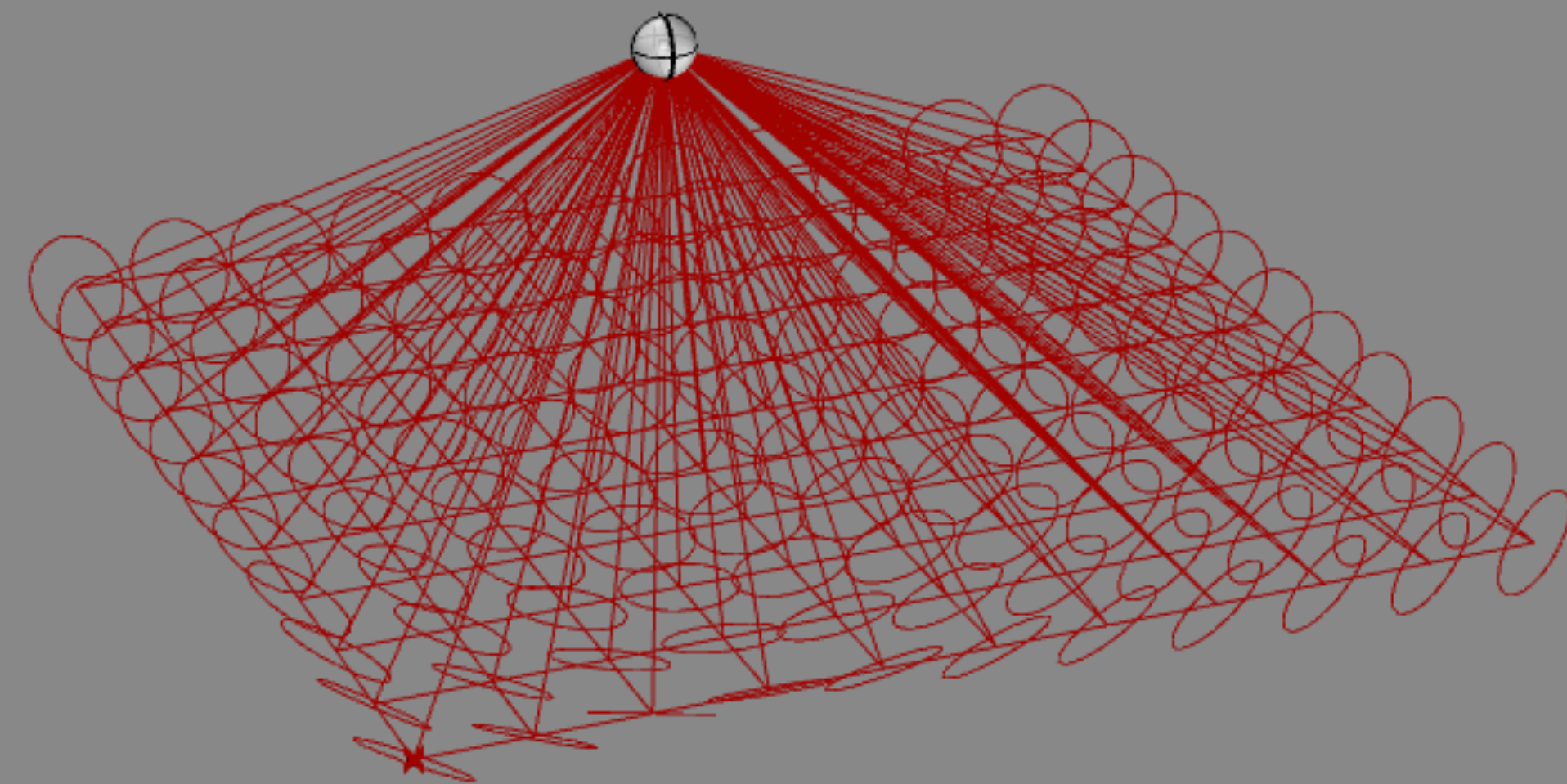


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# Attractors to influence orientation



- Create circles (circle CNR) on the gridpoints
- Create lines from grid points to attractor
- Use the line as normal line for the Circles CNR
- Use a part (division) of the cell size (extend) to determine the size of the circle



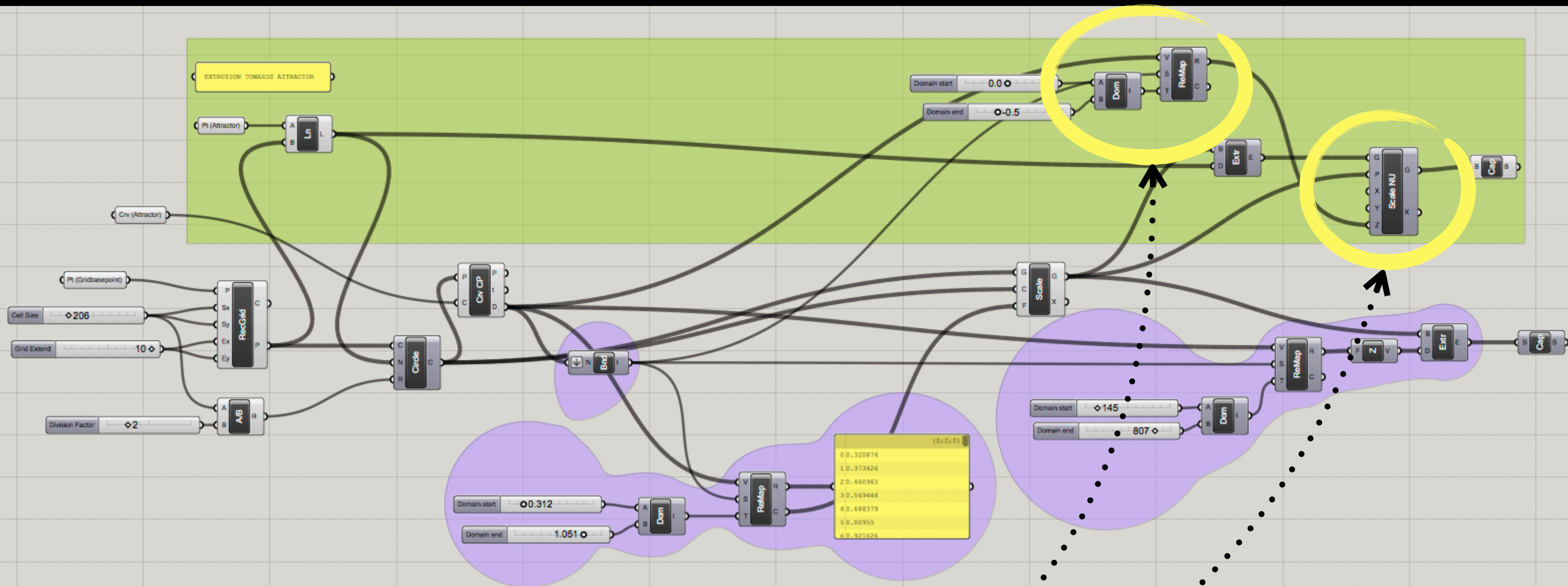






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When combining it with the previous exercise the following connections are needed:

- A **non uniform scale (Scale NU)** scales the extrusions along their object z axis.
- As a scaling factor we use a remapped distance to attractor curve - values



# Ressources

- [Digitaltoolbox.info](#)
- [Rhino 5 Level 1 Training Guide and Models](#)
- [Download Rhino 5 WIP](#)

# Thank you!

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