



BLENDER 2.8

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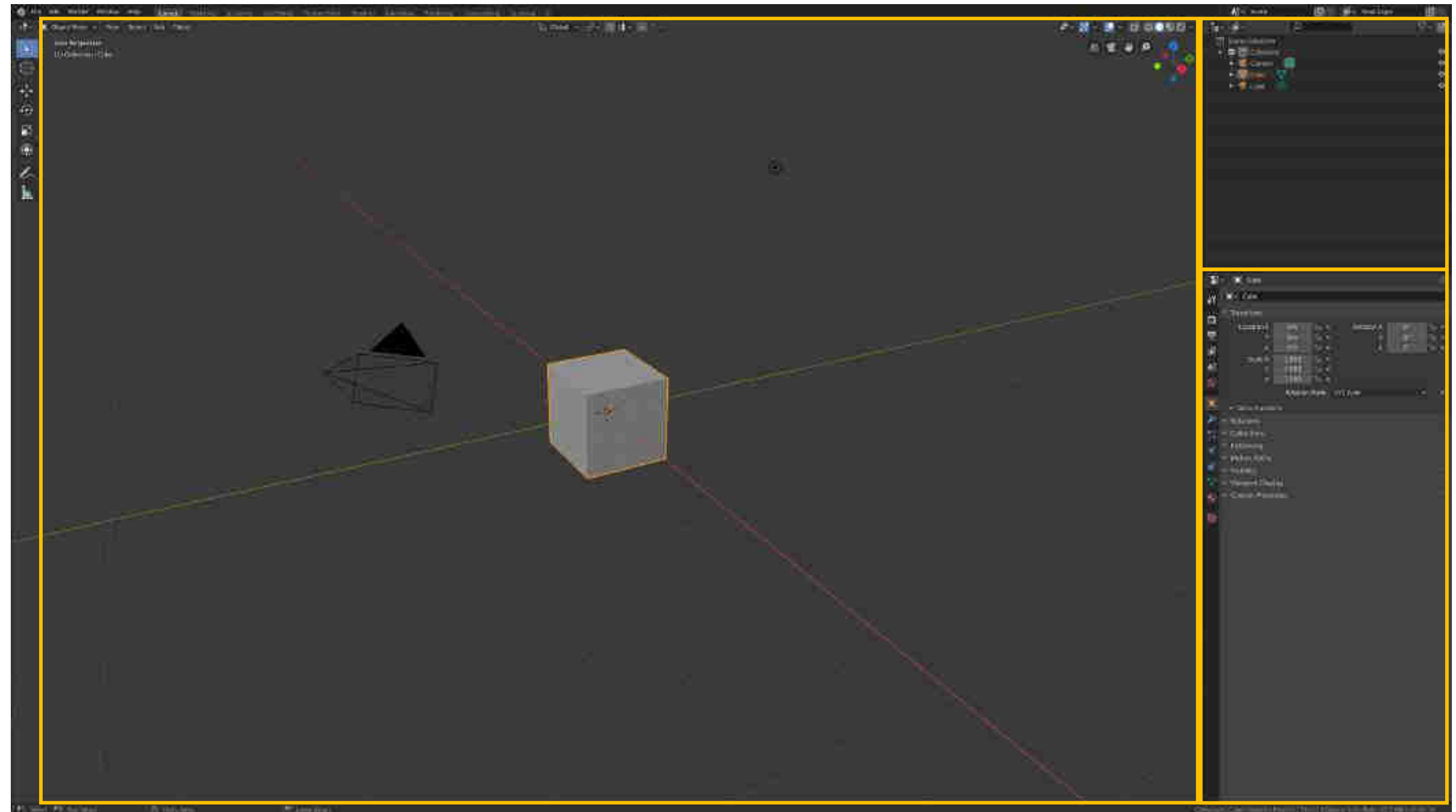
Workspace

- cube
- camera
- light source
- different layouts
- customizing layouts
- orientation
- axis
 - X – red
 - Y – green
 - Z – blue



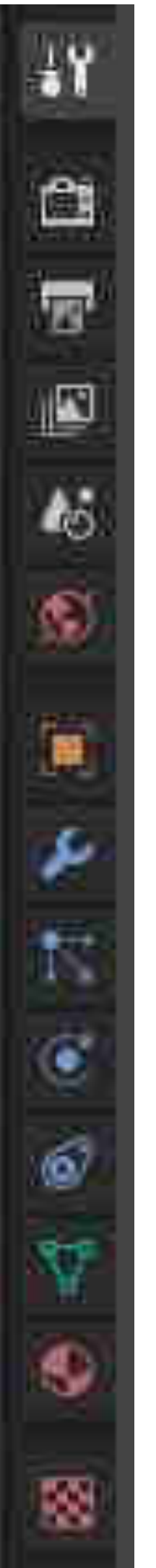
Editor type windows

- fully adjustable
- most important
 - 3D view
 - outliner
 - properties



Properties

- workspace
- render
- output
- view layer
- scene
- world
- object
- modifiers
- particles
- physics
- object constraints
- object data
- materials
- textures



User Perspective
(1) Collection | Cube

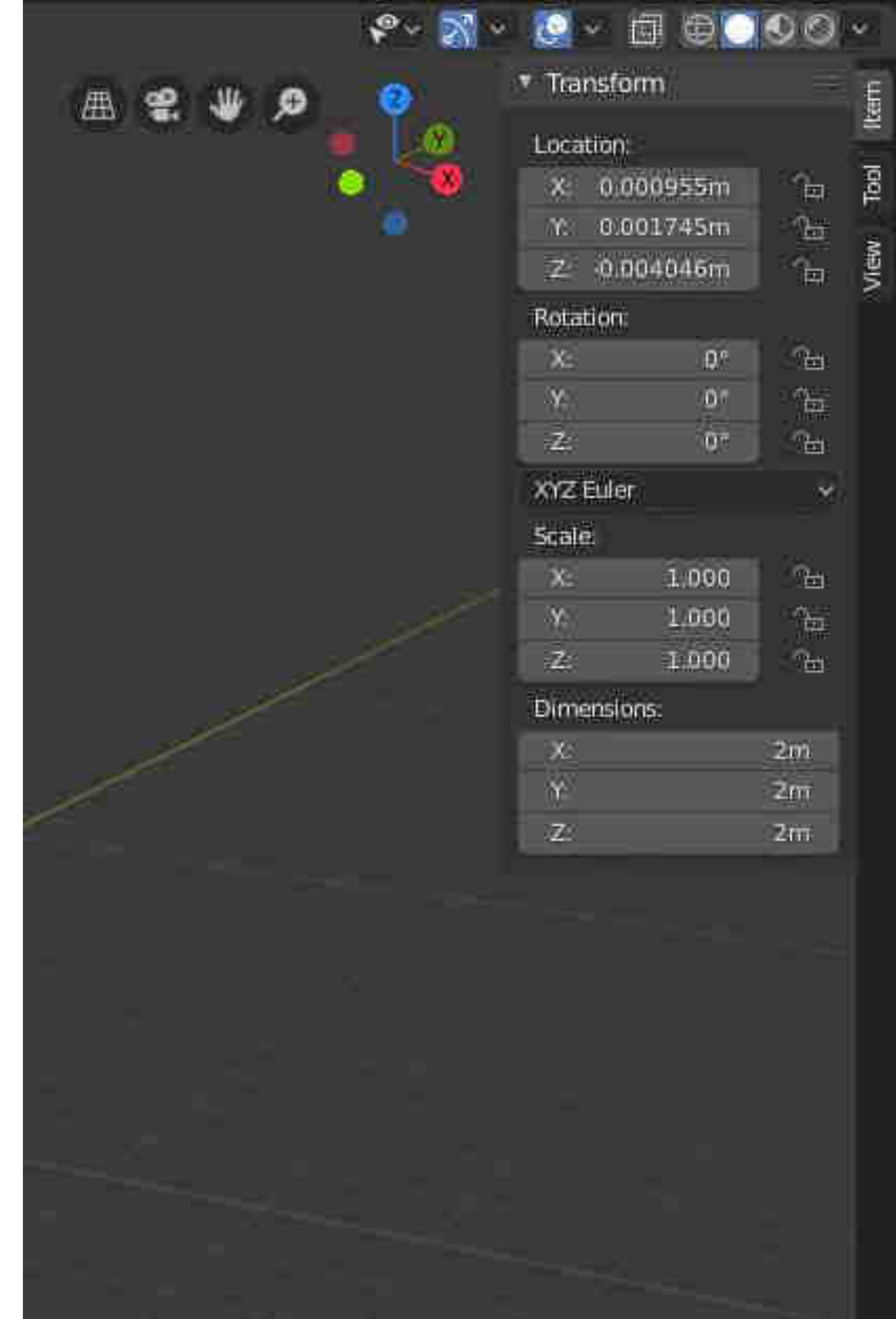


T-menu

- options depend on the current mode
- show / hide with shortcut ***T***
- select box
- cursor
- move, rotate, scale, transform
- annotate and measure

N-menu

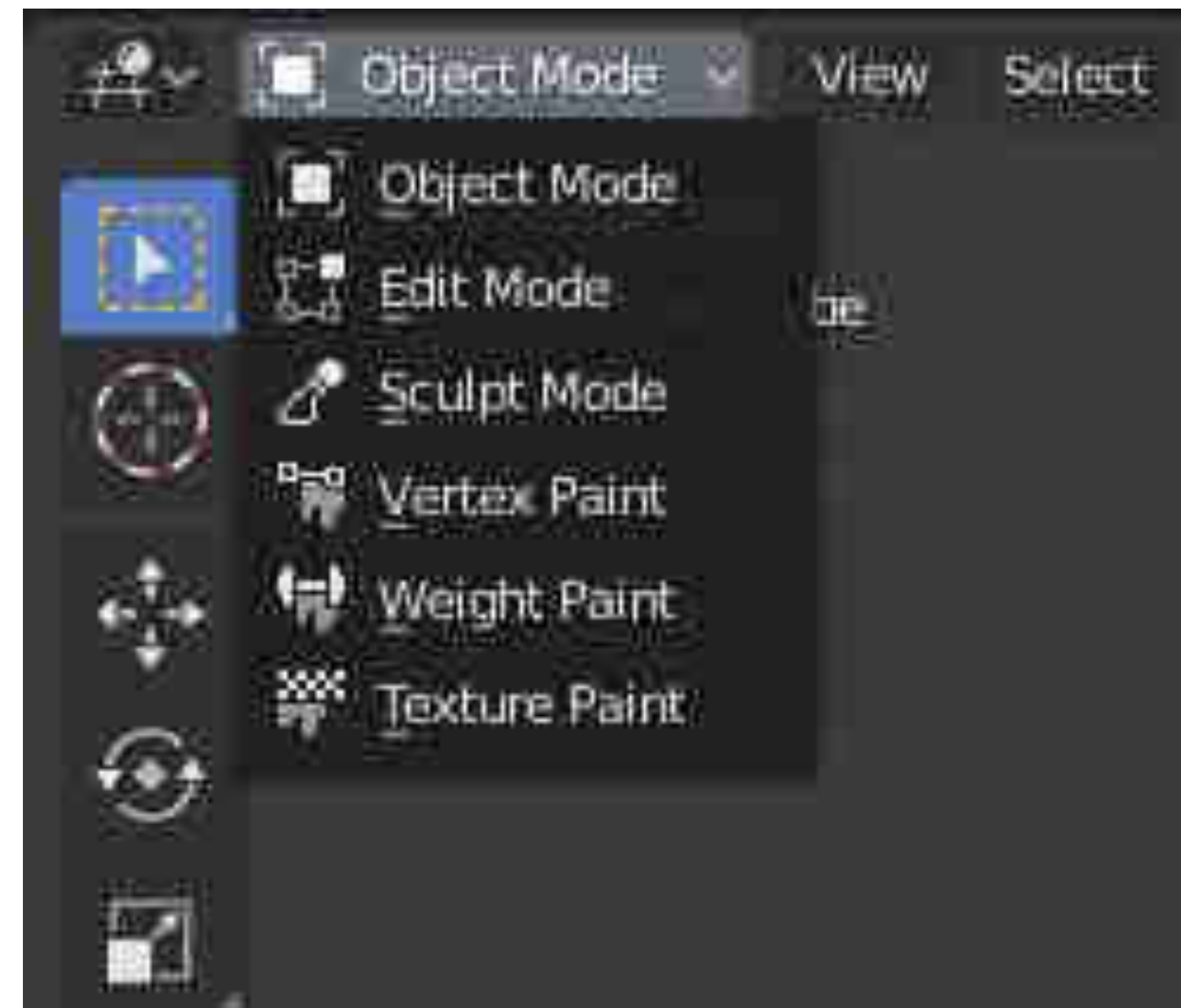
- options depend on the current mode
- show / hide with shortcut **N**
- item
- tool
- view



MODES

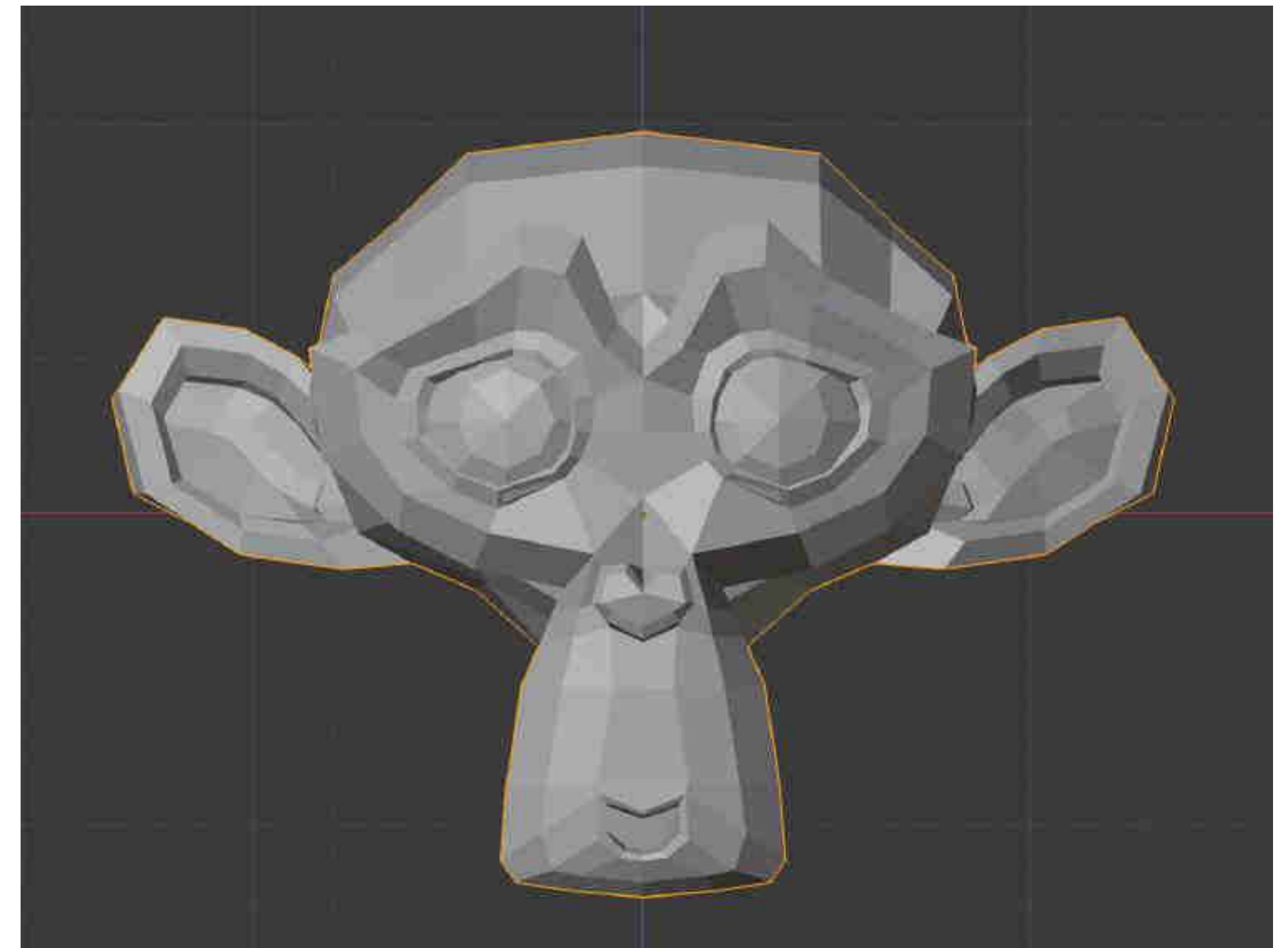
3D view

- object mode
- edit mode
- sculpt mode
- vertex paint
- weight paint
- texture paint



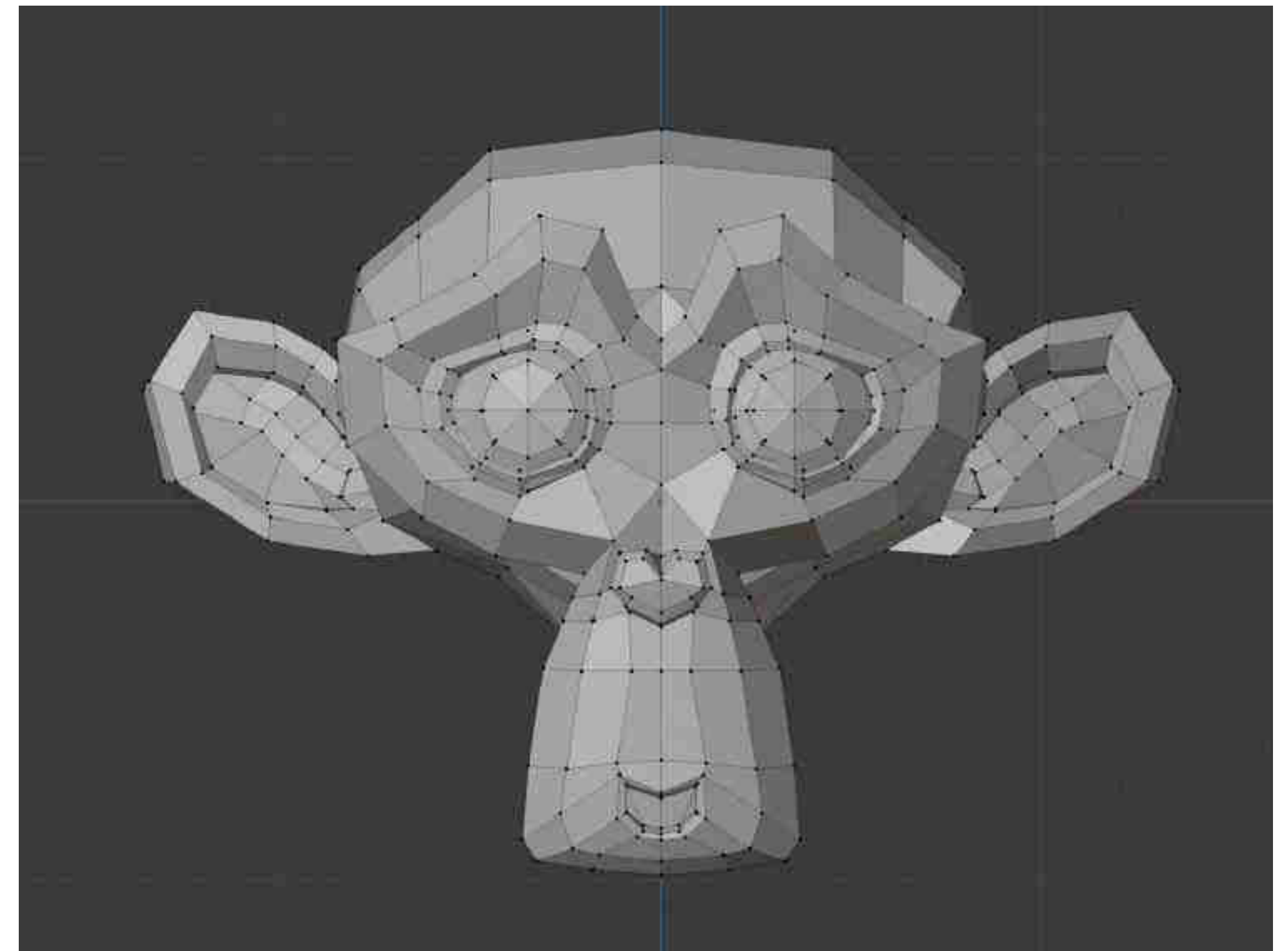
Object mode

- adding new objects
- manipulation of entire object
- limited options of manipulation
 - translation
 - rotation
 - scalation
- joining objects
- applying modifiers
- setting up the whole scene



Edit mode

- creating detailed polygon mesh
- Influences only object's geometry and not on it's global properties (location)
- select certain parts of the model
 - vertices
 - edges
 - faces
- assigning materials to certain parts of model



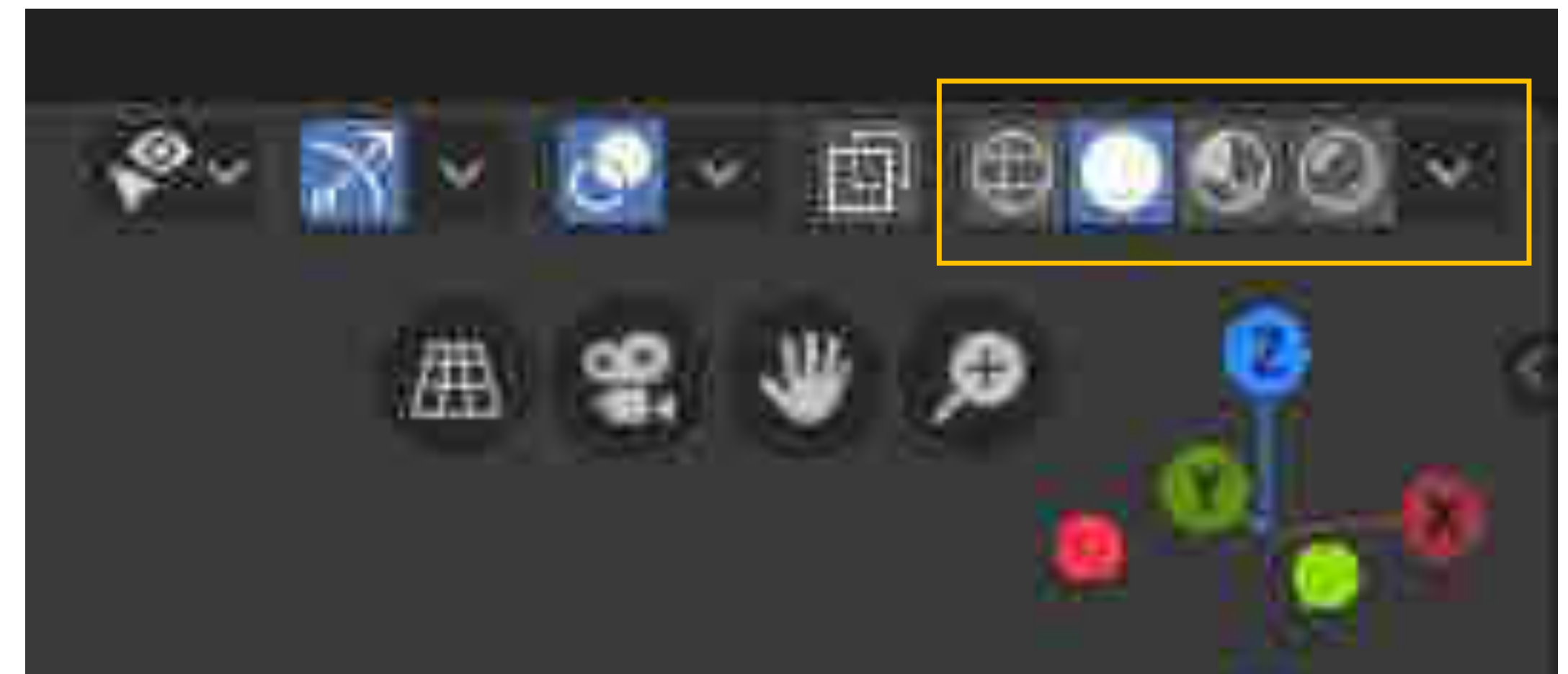
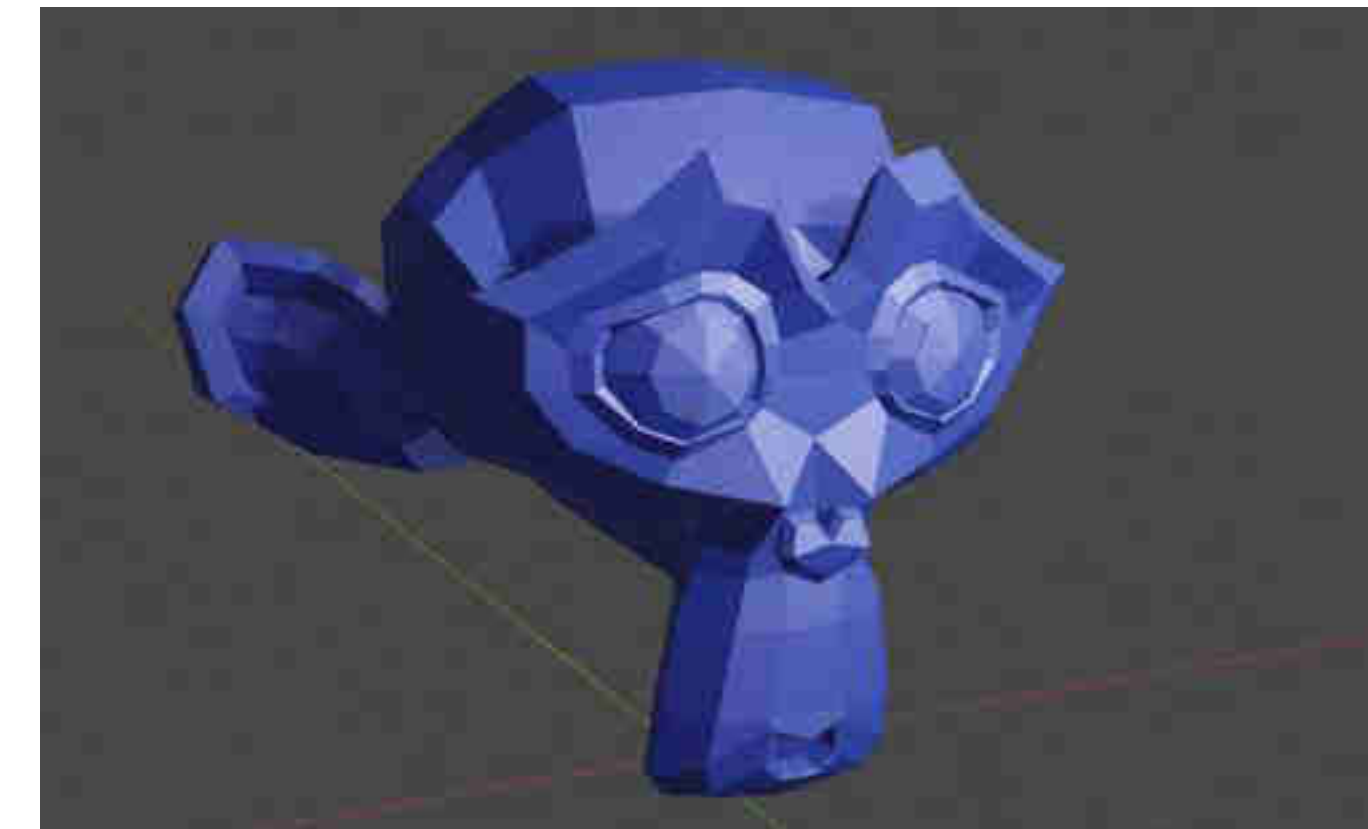
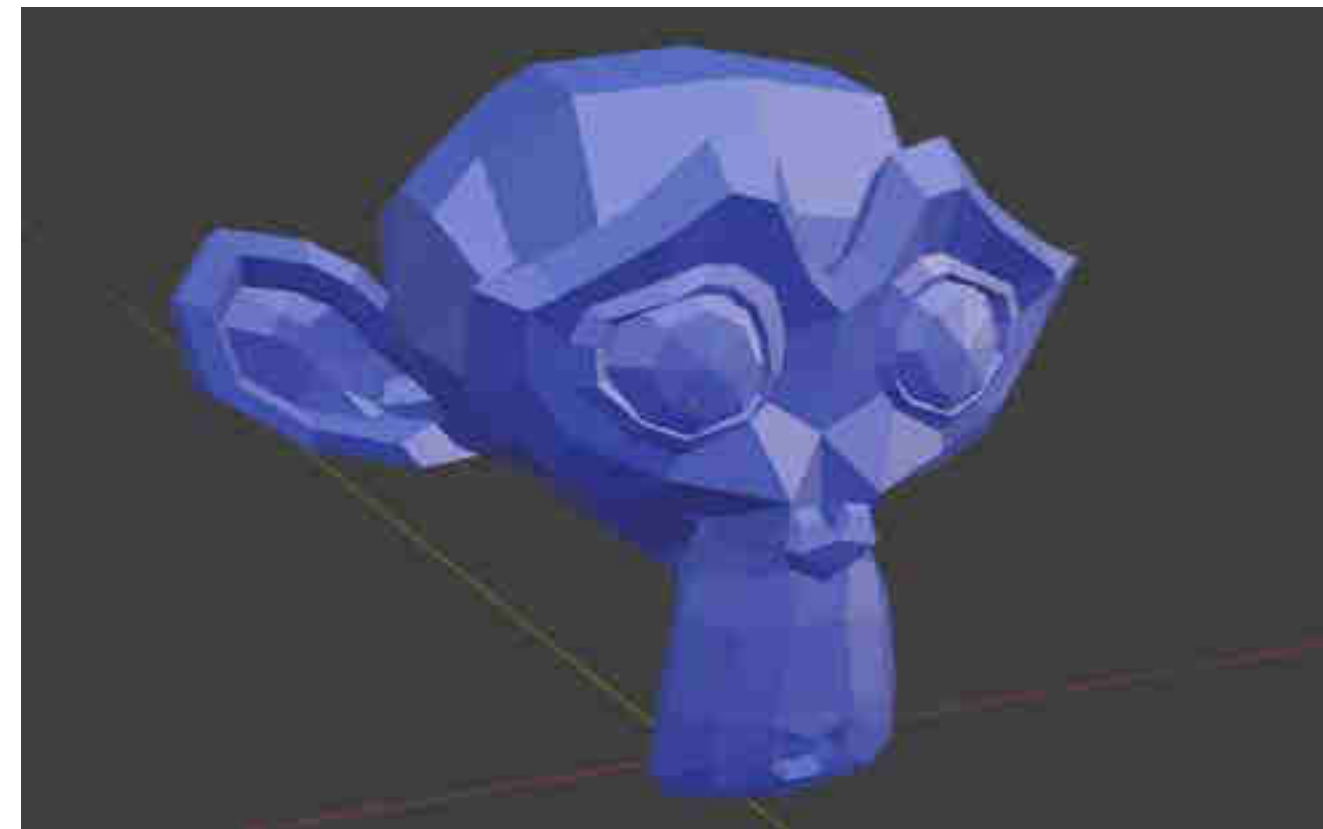
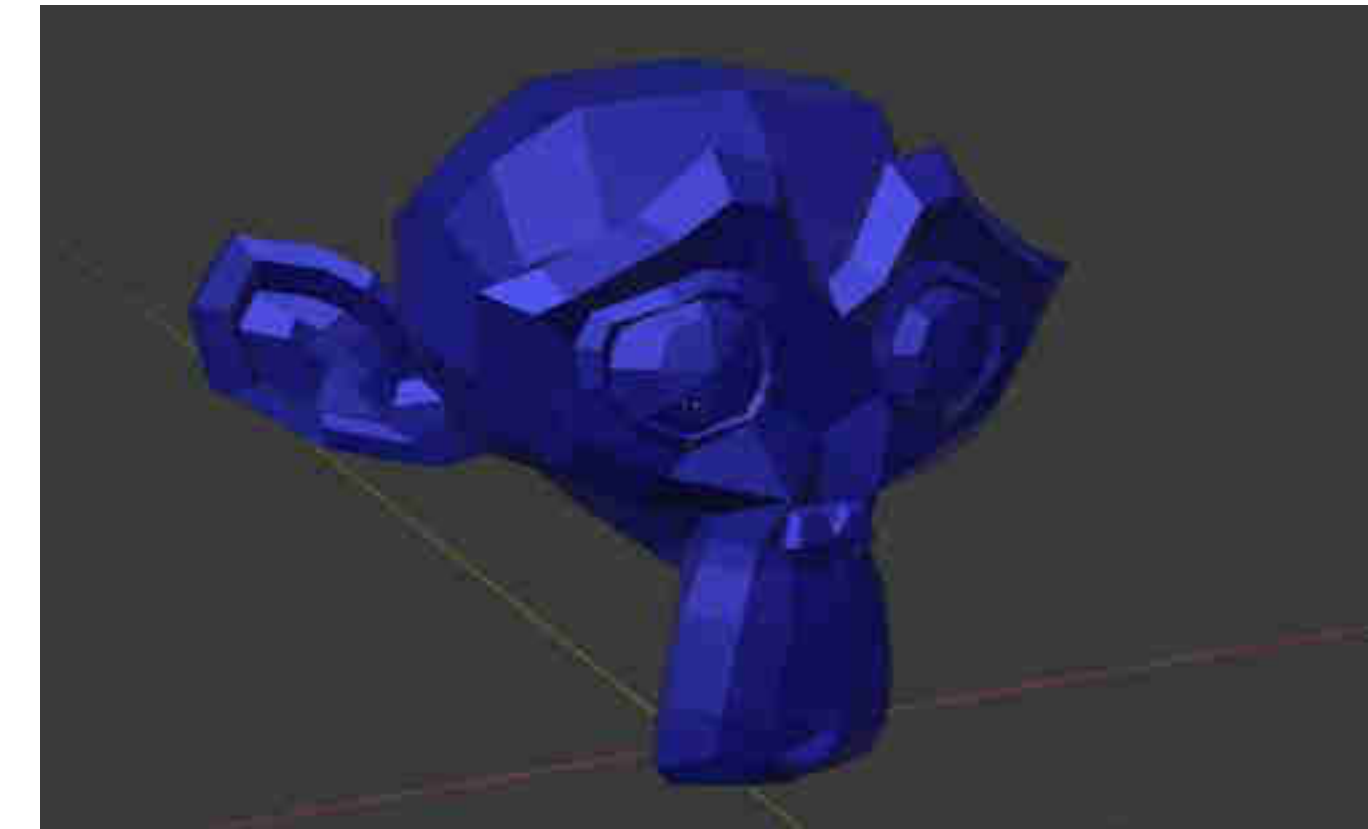
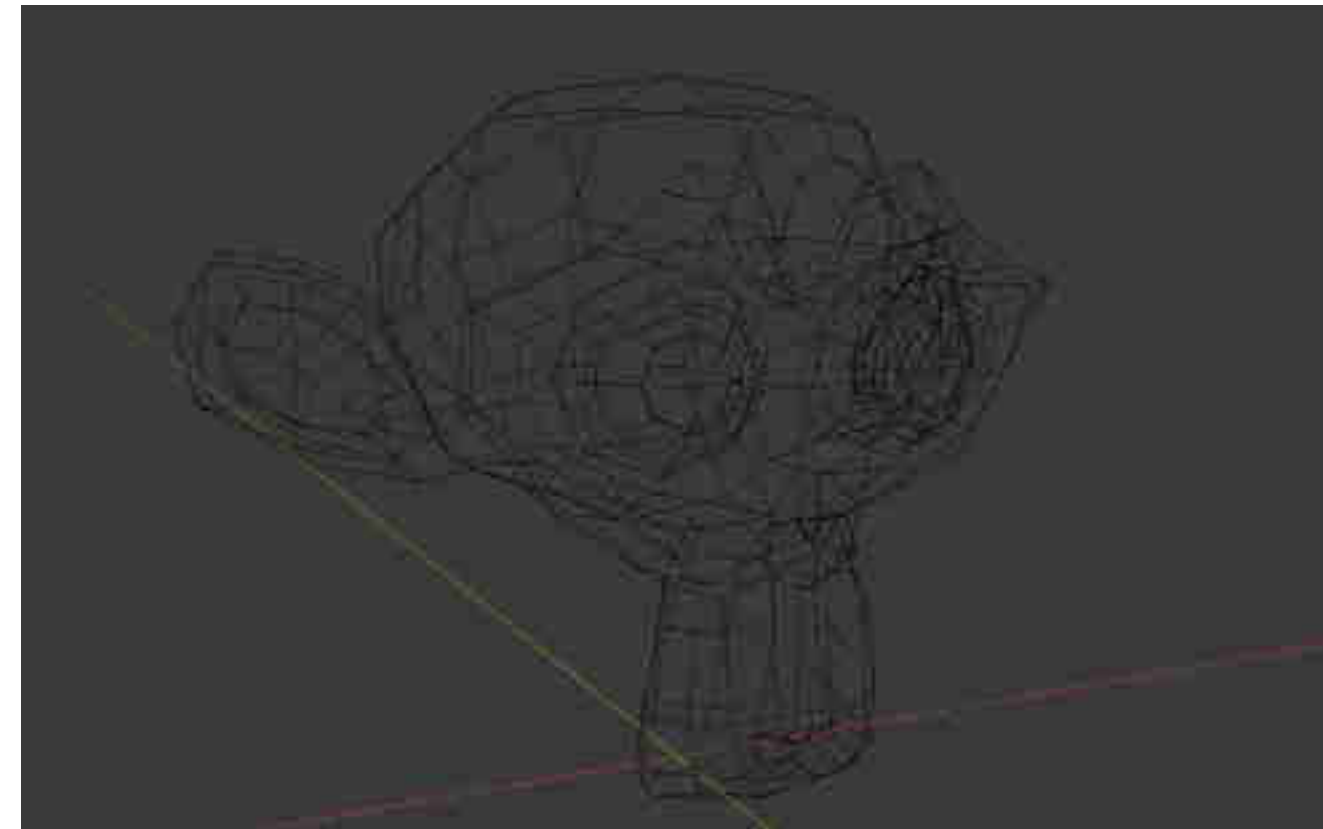
Switching between modes

- **TAB** => switching between object and edit mode
- different selection modes (edit mode)
 - vertex select => **1**
 - edge select => **2**
 - face select => **3**
- selection in top left menu



Viewport shading

- four options
 - wireframe
 - solid
 - look dev
 - render
- select in top right menu
- select in circular menu => **Z**

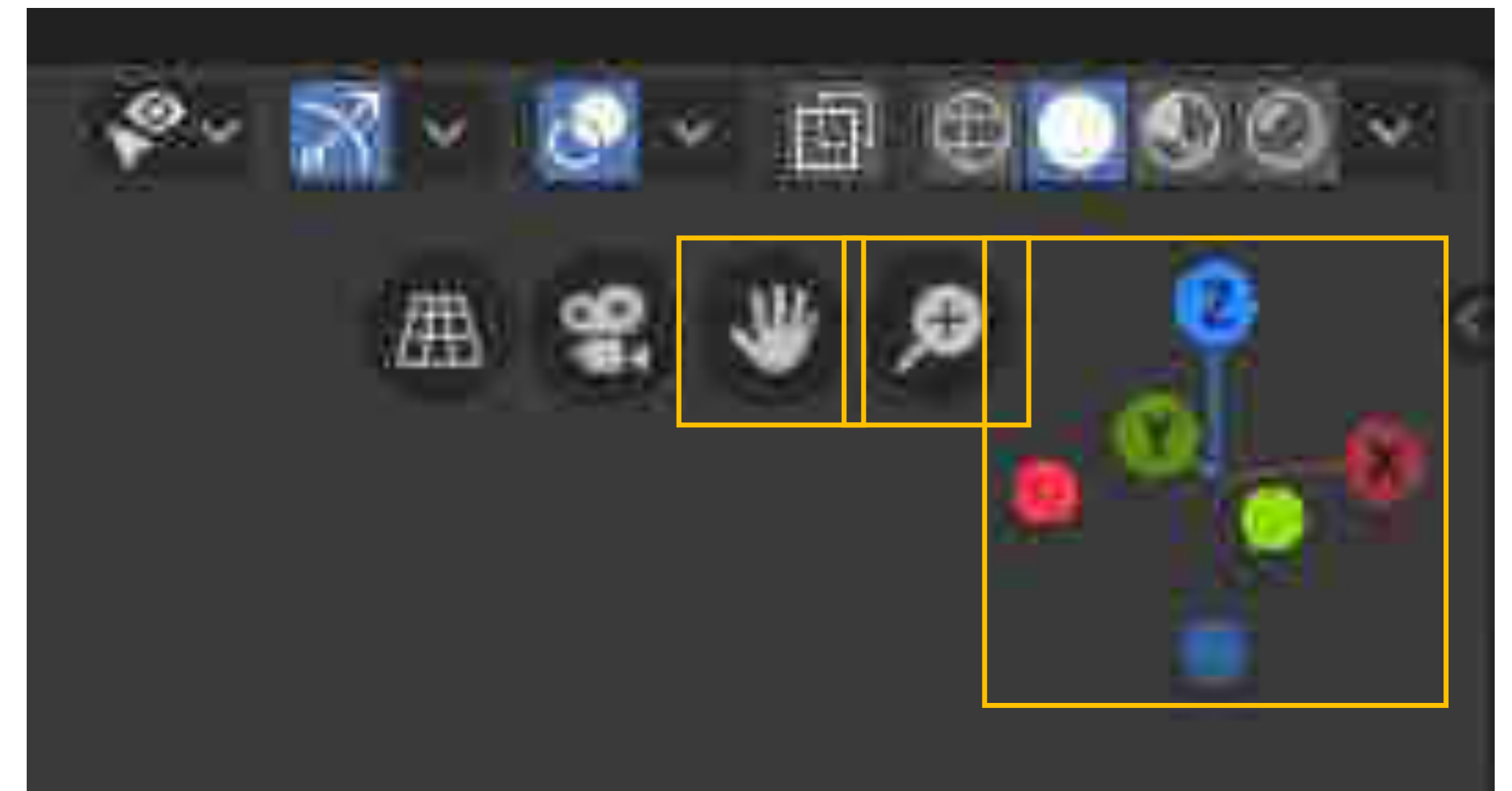


Adjusting view

- **1** => front view
- **3** => right view
- **7** => top view
- **5** => swap between perspective and orthographic view
- **9** => opposite view
- **CTRL + 1** => back view
- **CTRL + 3** => left view
- **CTRL + 7** => bottom view
- **0** => camera view

Adjusting view (mouse)

- left button – selection
- movements (magic mouse)
 - • scroll – rotation around object
 - • scroll + **SHIFT** – moving view
 - • scroll + **CTRL** – zoom in/out
- movements (3 button mouse)
 - • hold scroll – rotation around the object
 - • hold scroll + **SHIFT** – moving view
 - • scroll – zoom in/out
- same functionality can be achieved by using buttons in top right menu

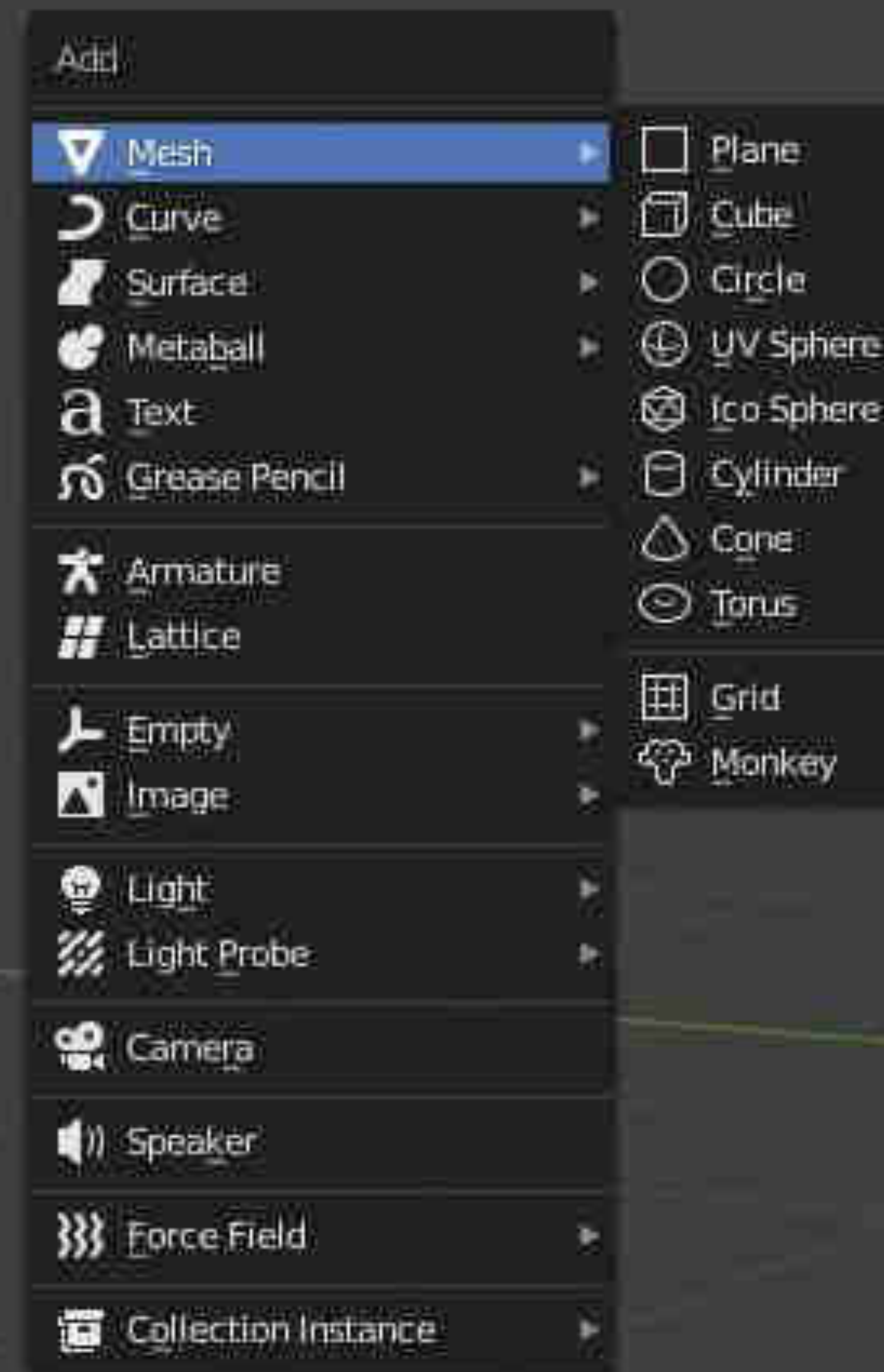


MODIFYING OBJECT

basic approach and tools

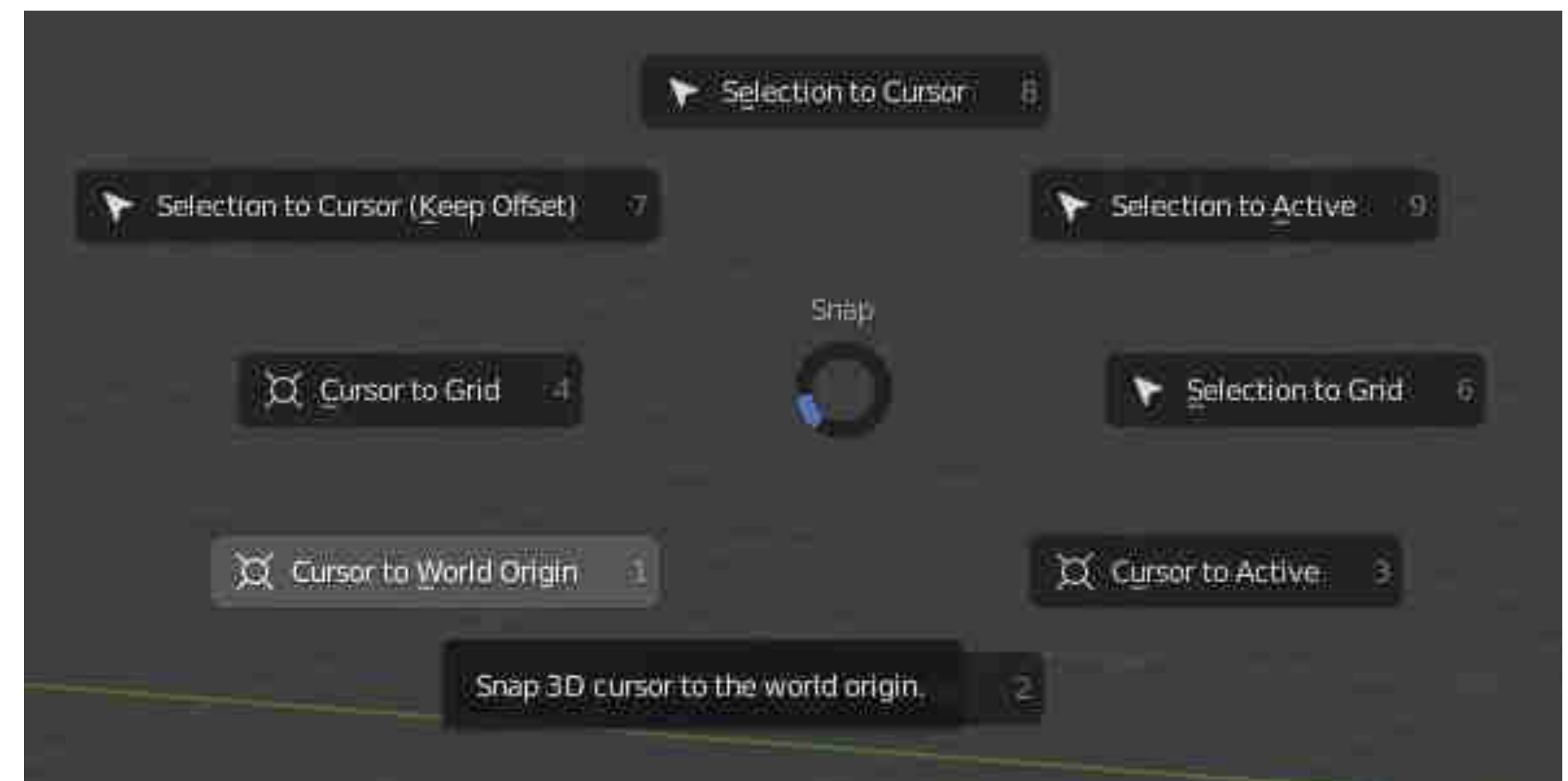
Adding new object

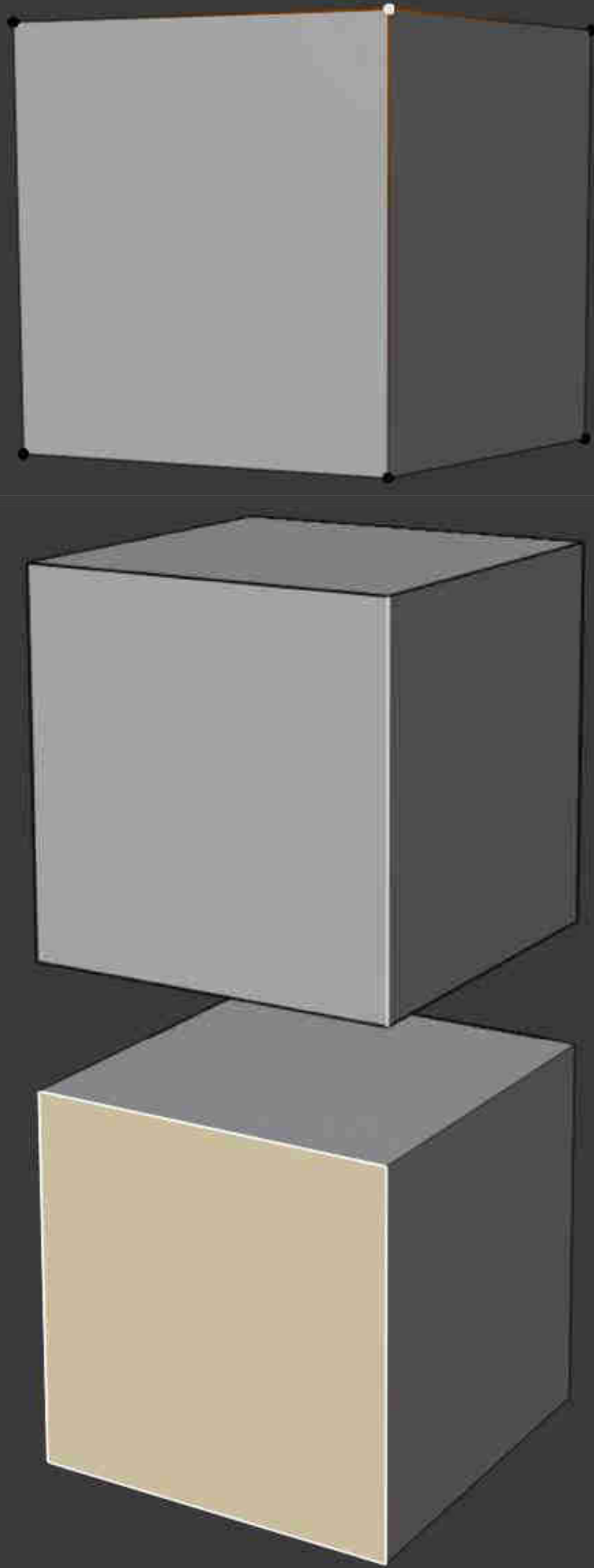
- in OBJECT mode
- shortcut – **SHIFT + A**
- select appropriate object in the menu



Adding new object

- object appears on the location of cursor
- before adding new object, cursor's position should be in the center
- shortcut – **SHIFT + S -> cursor to world origin**





Adjusting selection

- components of polygon mesh
 - vertex
 - edge
 - face
- different selection modes (edit mode)
 - vertex select => **1**
 - edge select => **2**
 - face select => **3**

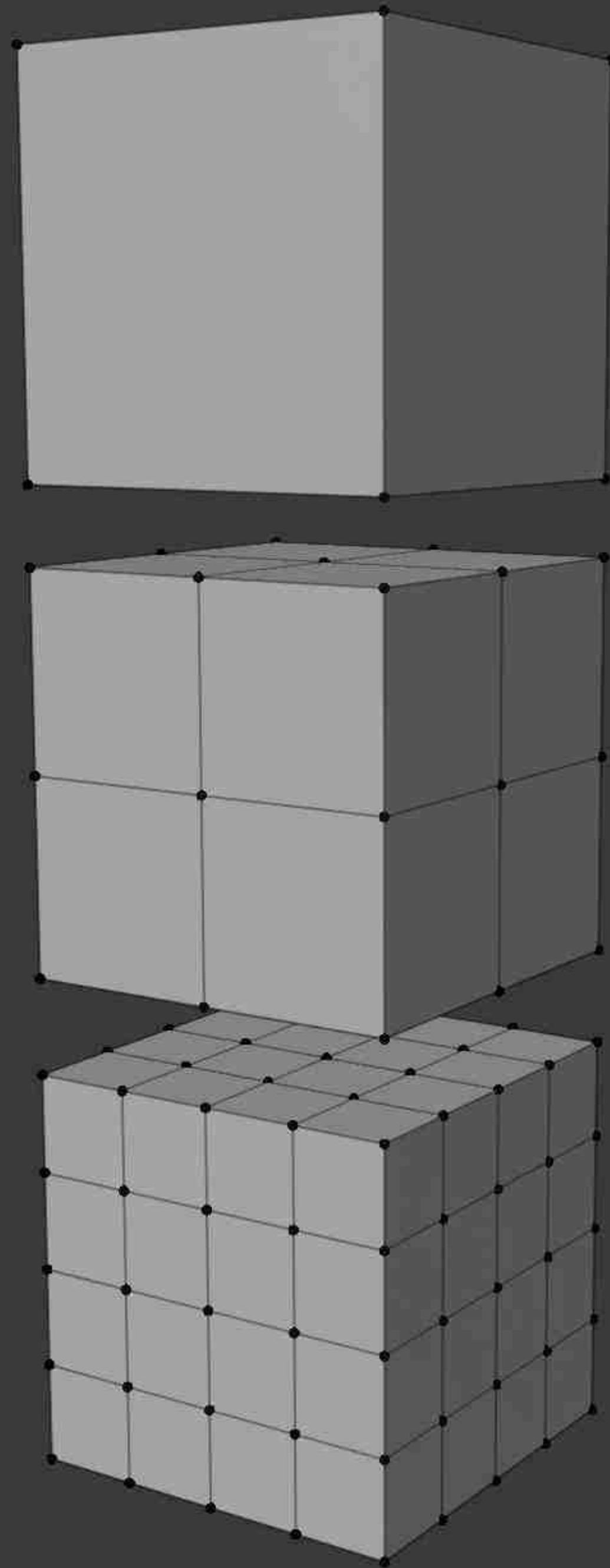
Transform options

- transform options
 - translation (default mode, after selection)
 - rotation => **R**
 - scaling => **S**
- transforming variations
 - free movement => **G**
 - one axis movement => **X / Y / Z**

Tools

- extrude
- inset
- bevel
- loop cut
- knife
- smooth
- subdivide
- fill
- bridge
- merge
- delete in dissolve



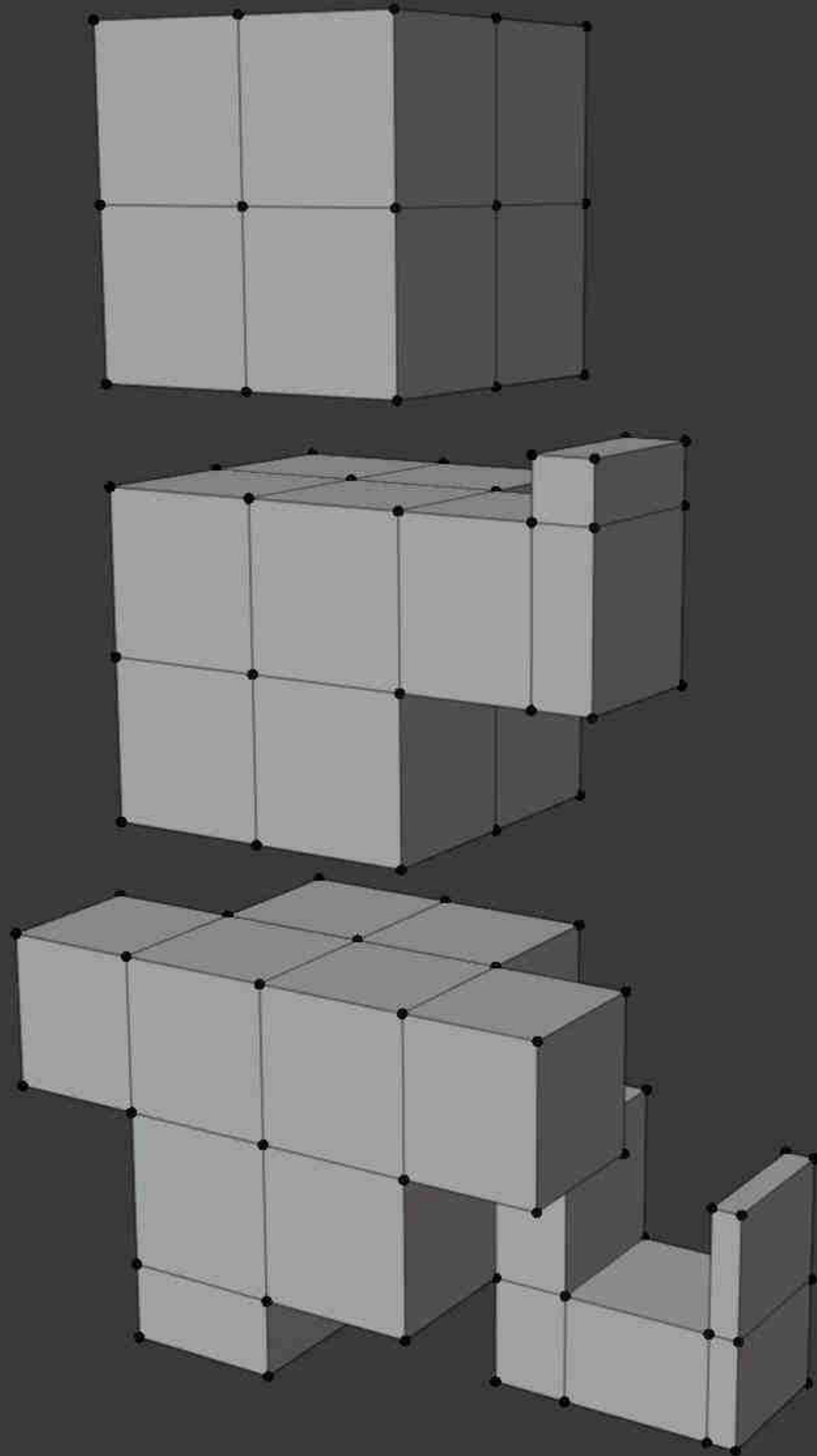


Subdivide

- splits selected edges and faces by cutting them in half
- adds resolution to the mesh
- not in T-menu, no shortcut
- right click => subdivide

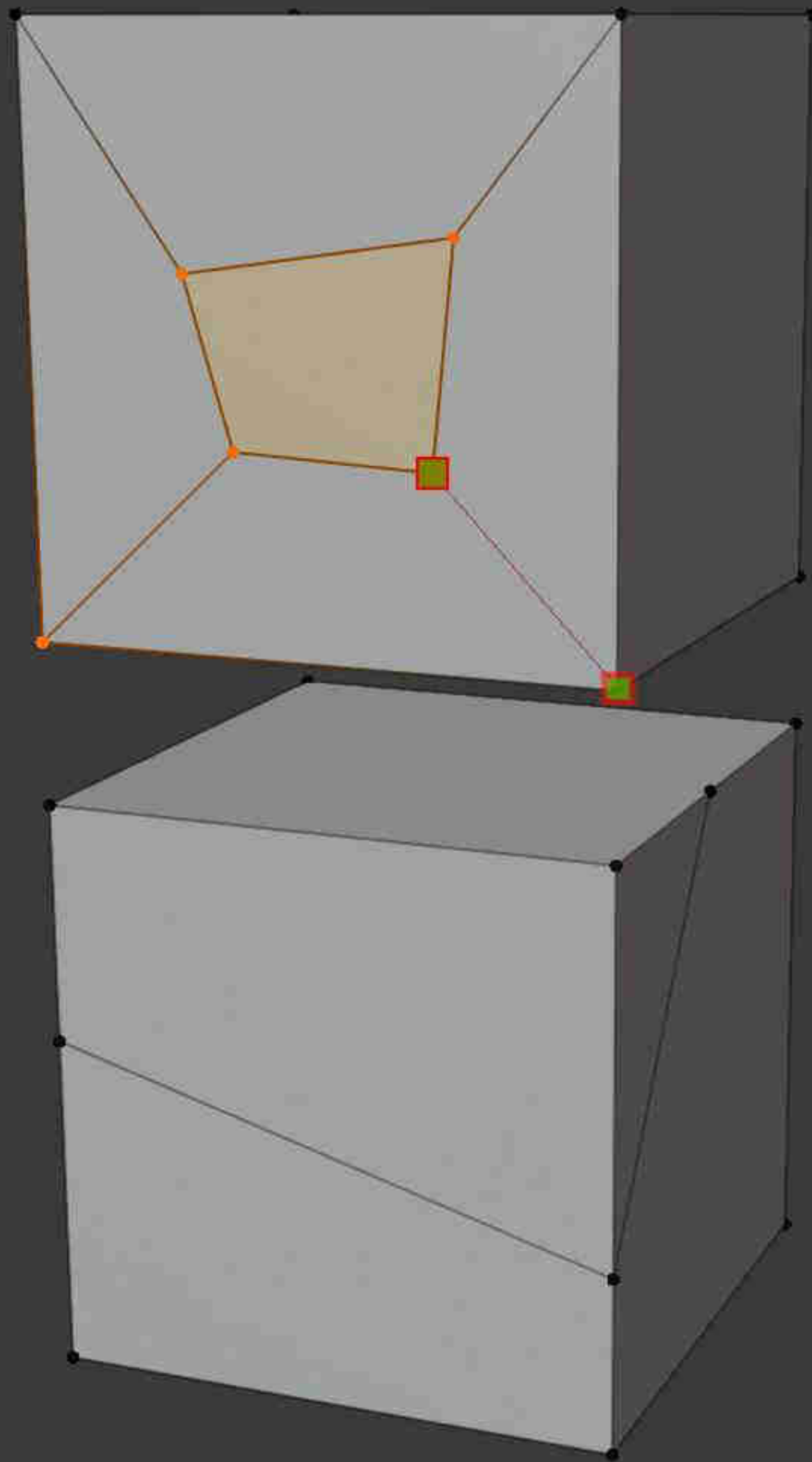
Extrude

- shortcut – **E**
- advanced extrude options – **ALT + E**
- create new geomerty based off of already present one
- one of most important tools

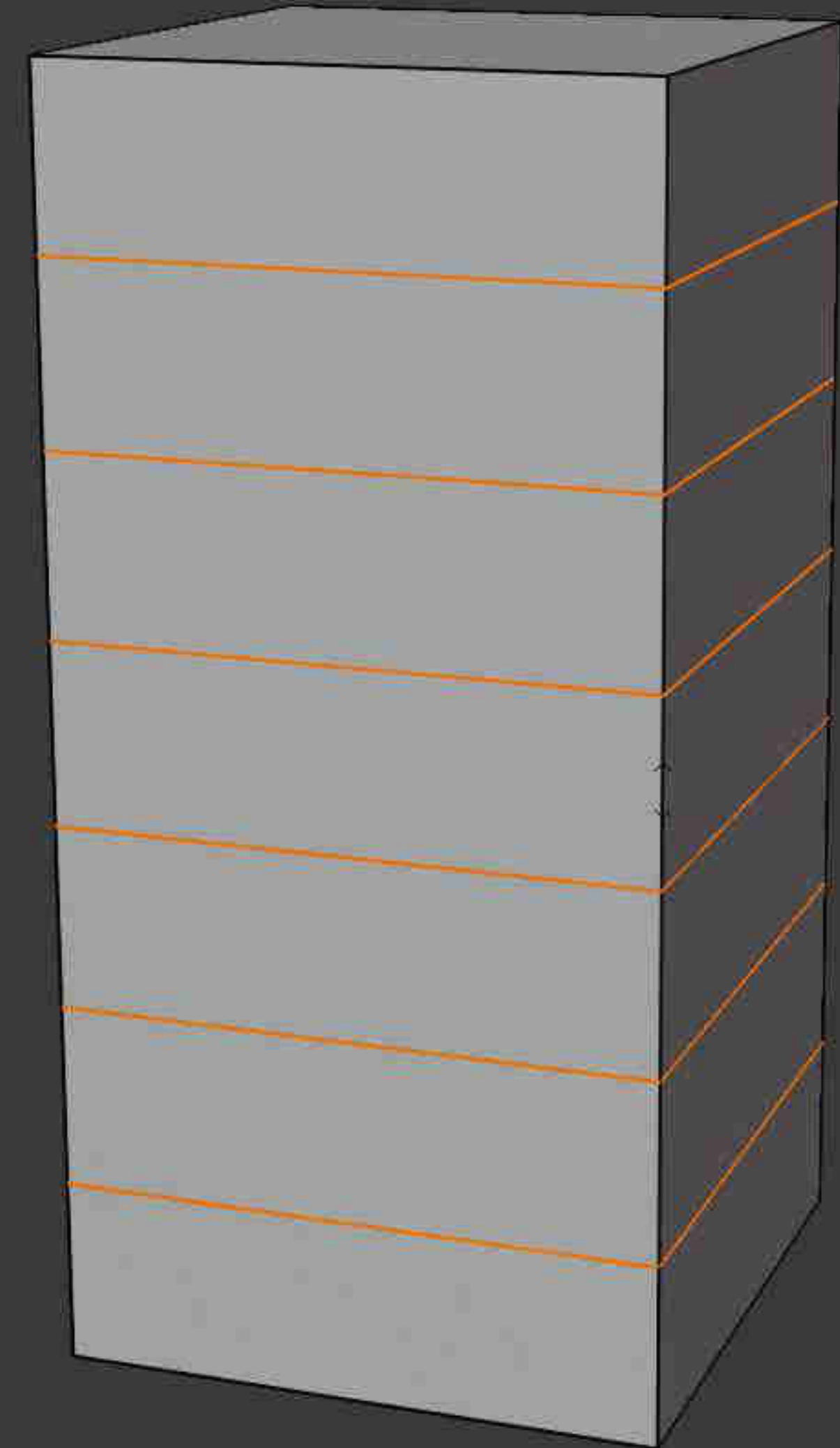


Knife

- shortcut – **K**
- interactively subdivide (cut up) geometry
- achieved by drawing lines or closed loops

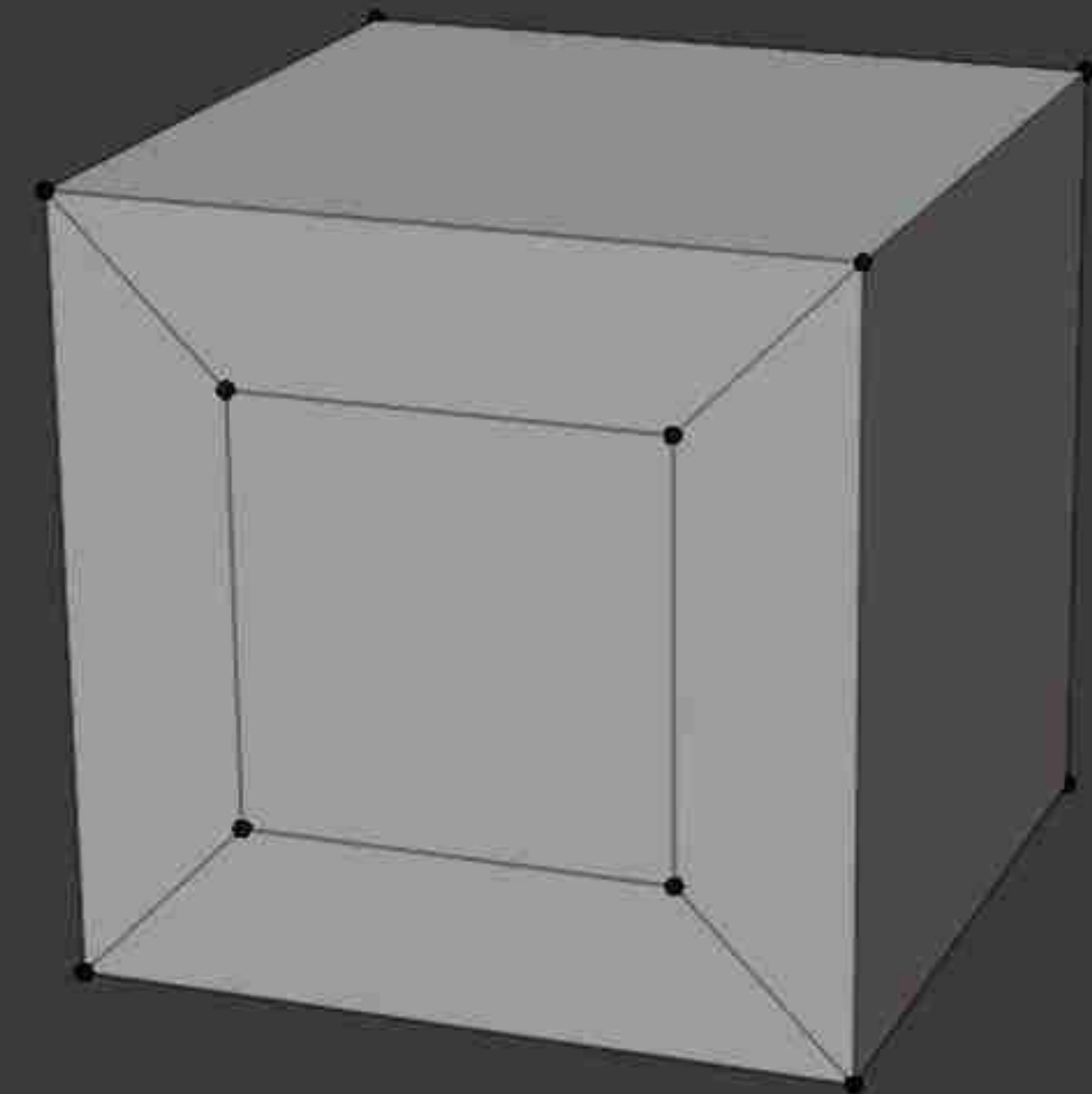


- shortcut – **CTRL + R**
- creates a loop of edges and cuts right through the object
- slide = move the loop to desired position
- multiple loops – **CTRL + R** + scroll wheel OR type number of loops



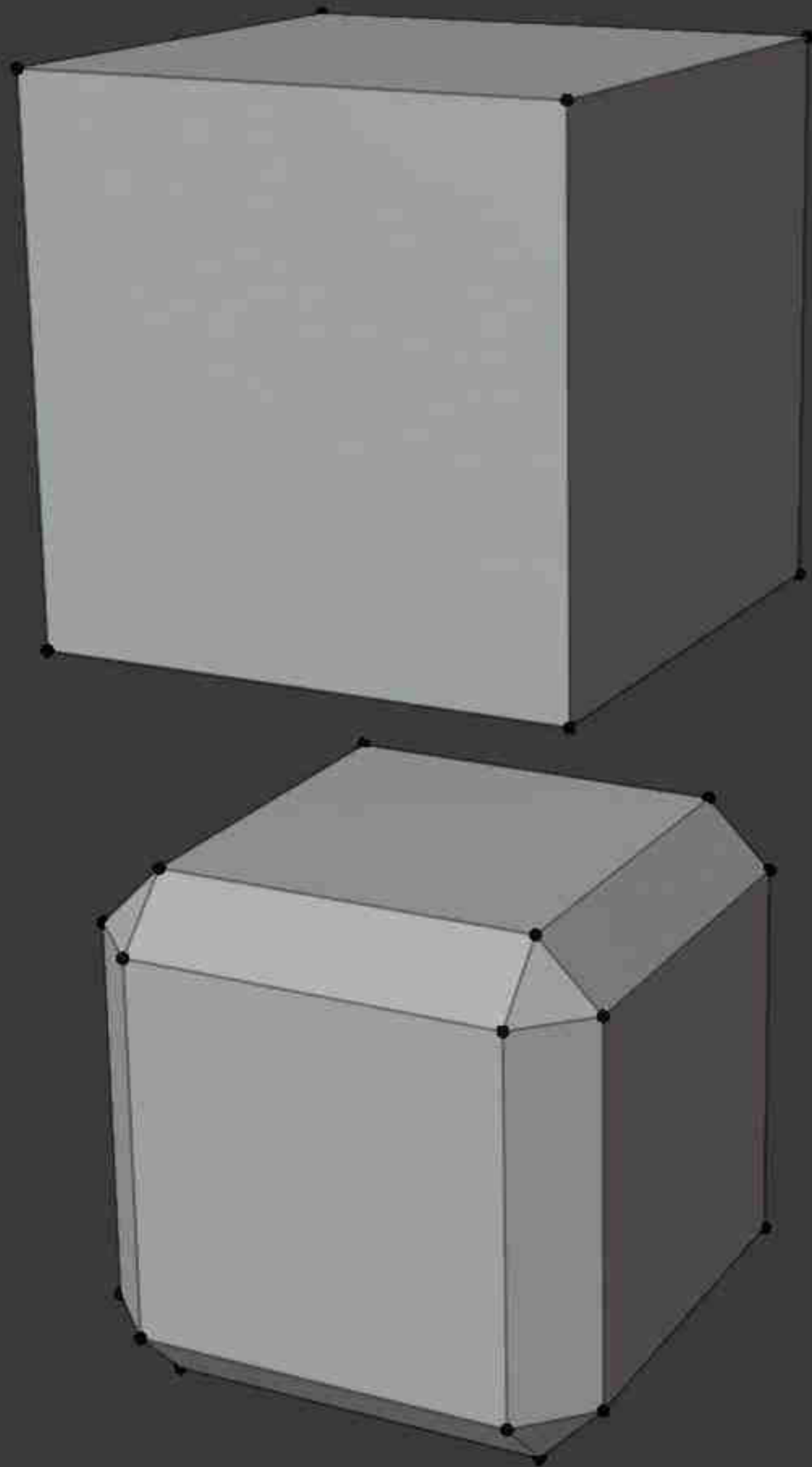
Inset

- shortcut – I
- takes currently selected faces and creates an inset of them
- adjustable thickness and depth
- similar to loop cut



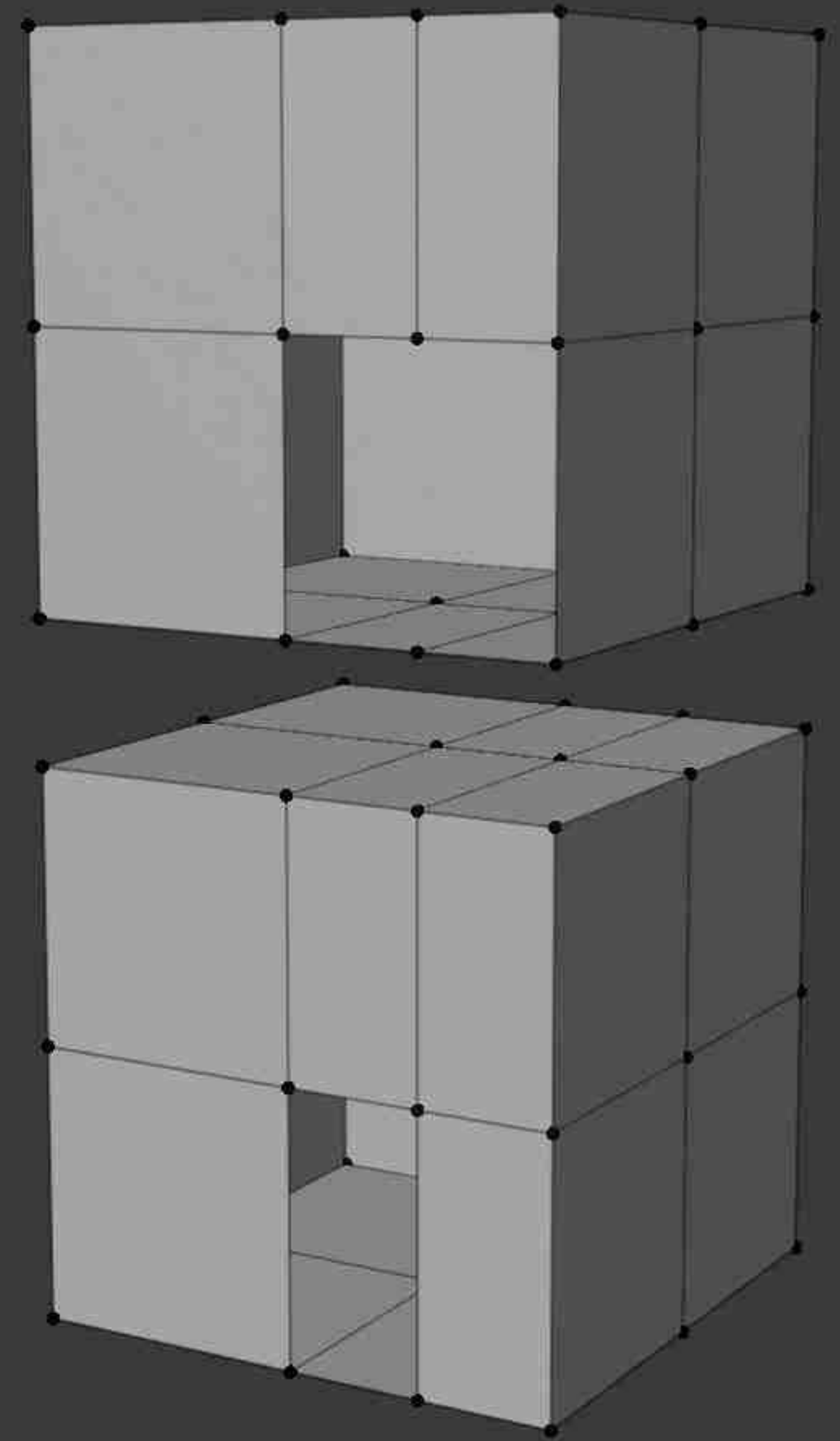
Bevel

- shortcut – **CTRL + B**
- create rounded edges on geometry
- useful for giving realism to non-organic models



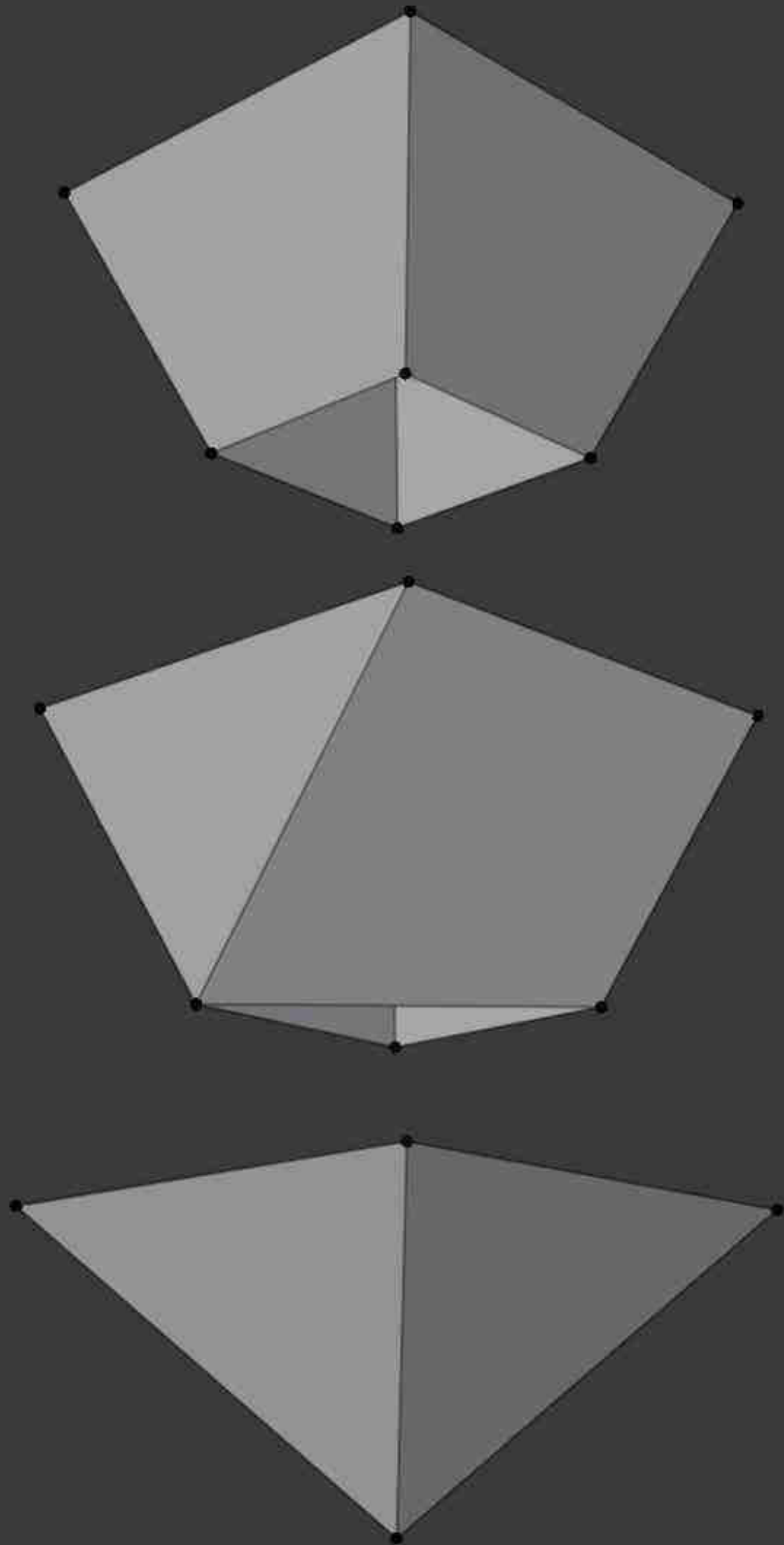
Fill

- shortcut – **F**
- creates geometry by filling in the selection
- before filling in, vertices or edges must be selected
 - 2 vertices selected => makes edge
 - multiple vertices / edges selected => makes face



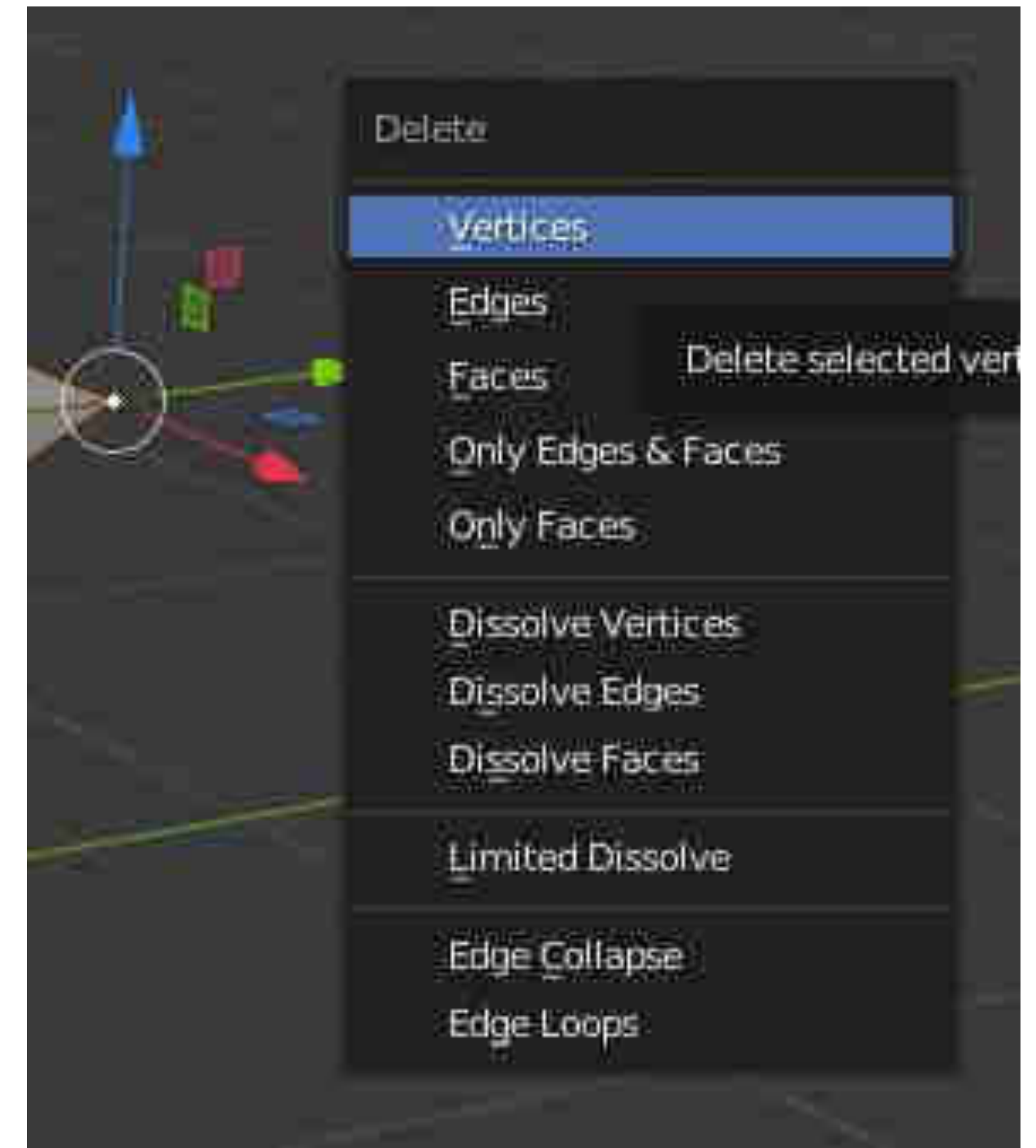
Merge

- shortcut – **ALT + M**
- merge two or more vertices
- different merging options
 - at first vertex selected
 - at last vertex selected
 - at center of all vertices
 - at cursor location
 - collapse



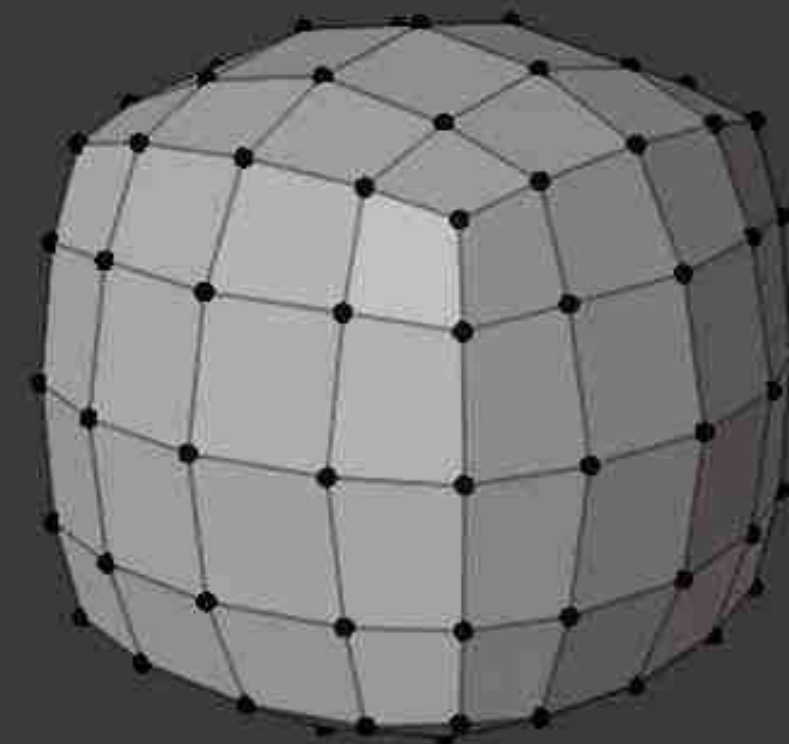
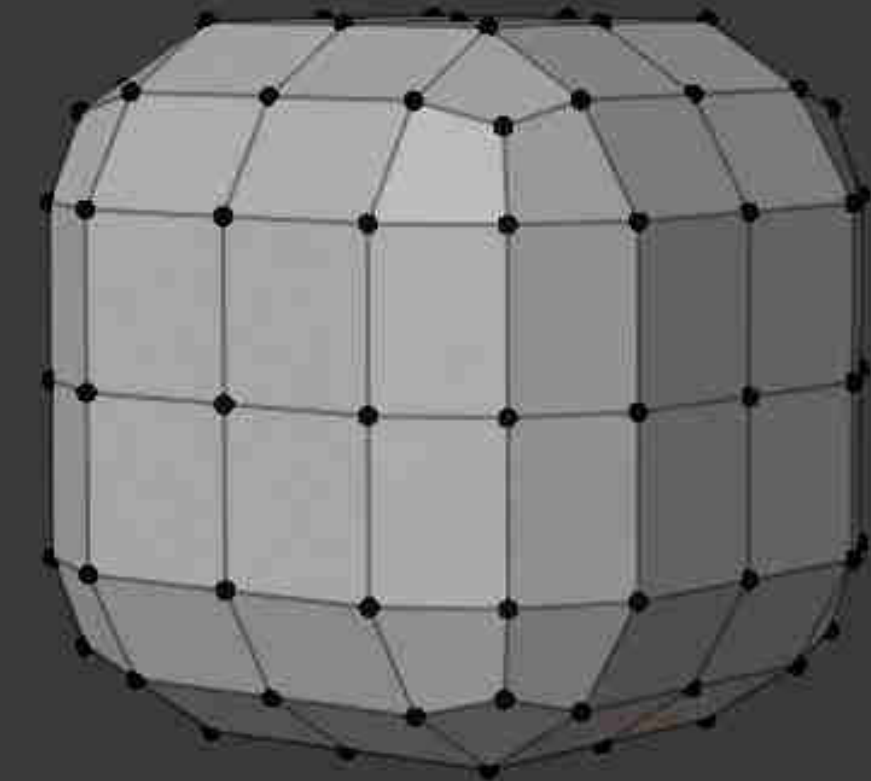
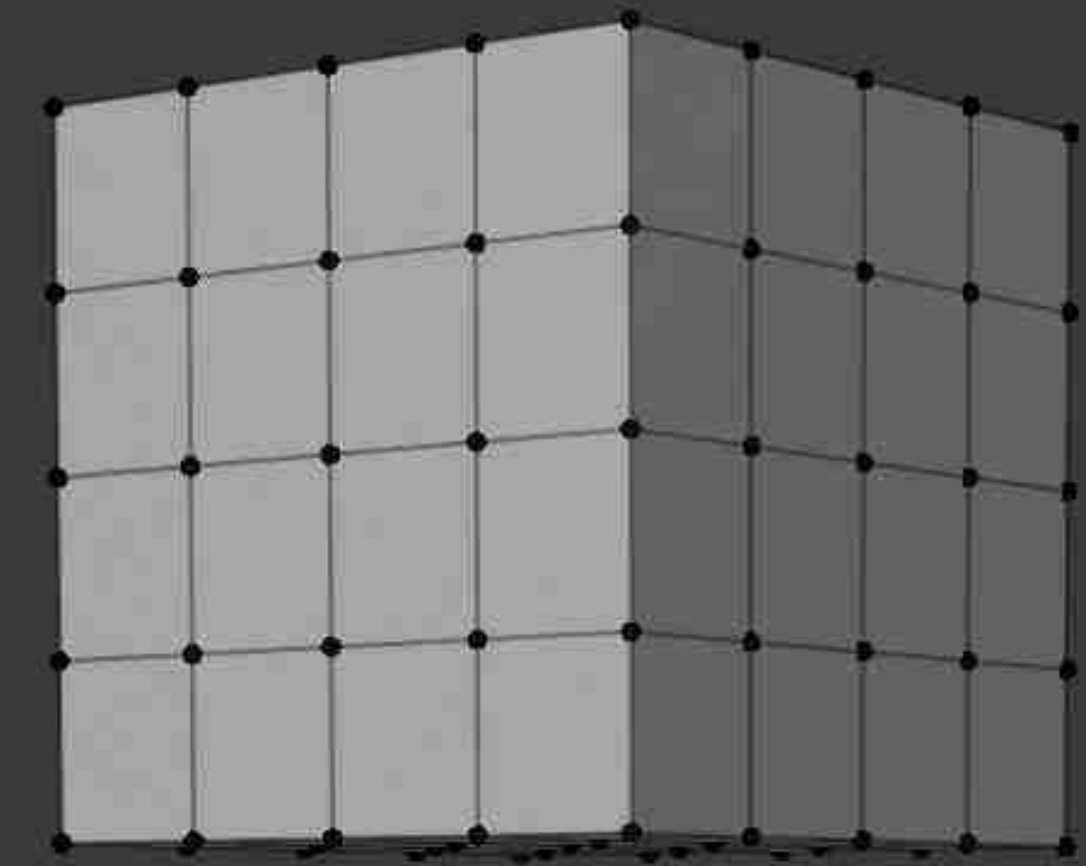
Delete & dissolve

- shortcut – **X**
- to remove components
- DELETE selected vertices/edges/faces
 - can be limited to whichever geometry is preferred
 - leaves holes in geometry
- DISSOLVE removes selected geometry and fills in surrounding geometry



Smooth

- no shortcut
- smooths the selected vertices by averaging the angles between the faces
- click and drag to adjust the amount of smoothing

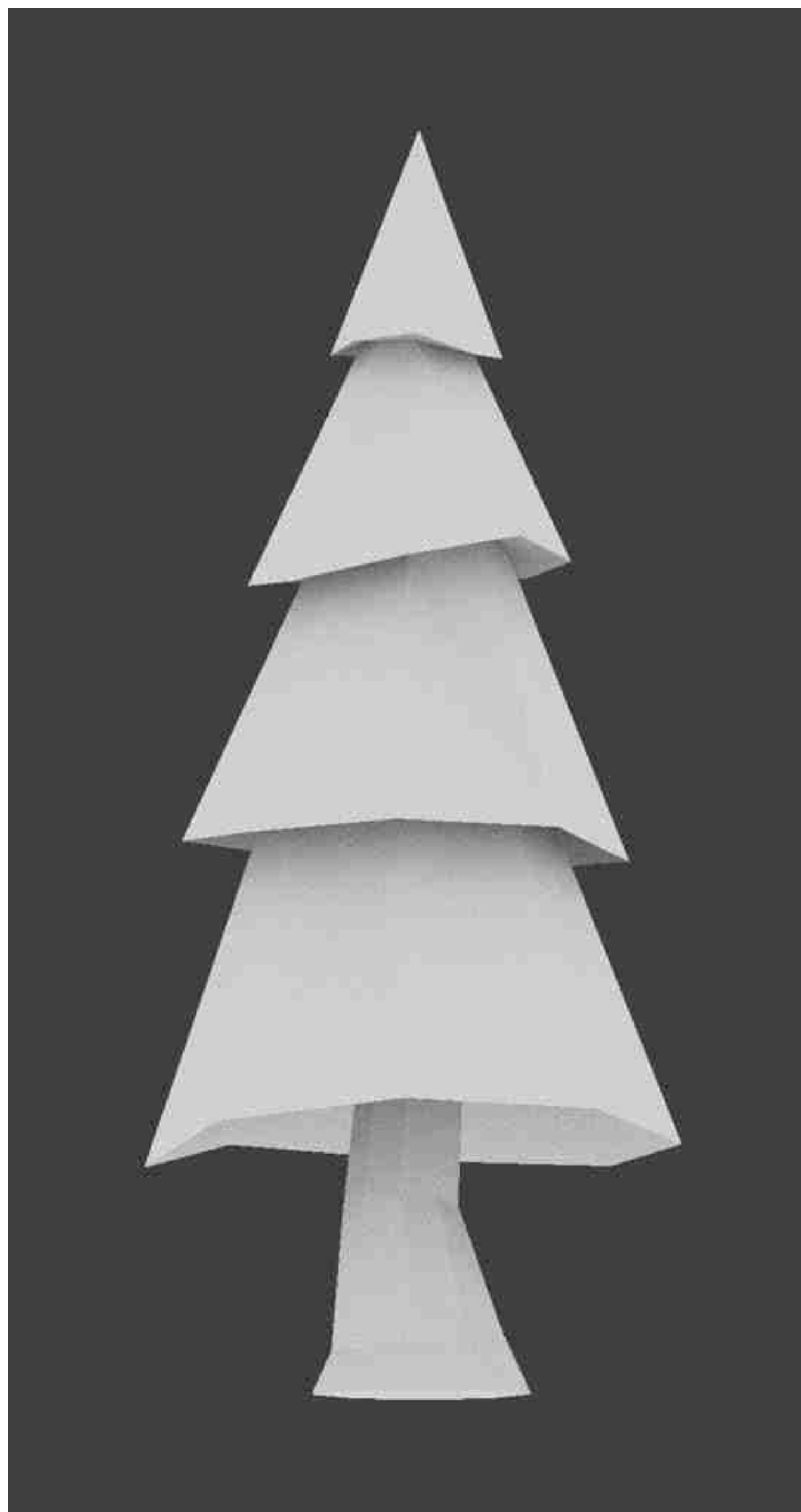


Multiple selection

- *useful once there's a complex model*
- **ALT + (mouse click)** => select edge loop
- **SHIFT + (mouse click)** => select multiples with mouse
- **CTRL + + / -** => additionally select neighboring geometry
- **A** => select all
- **ALT + A** => deselect all
- **B + (drag mouse)** => select all geometry inside drawn square
- **C + (drag mouse)** => select all geometry inside circle
- **CTRL + (drag mouse)** => select all geometry inside drawn loop

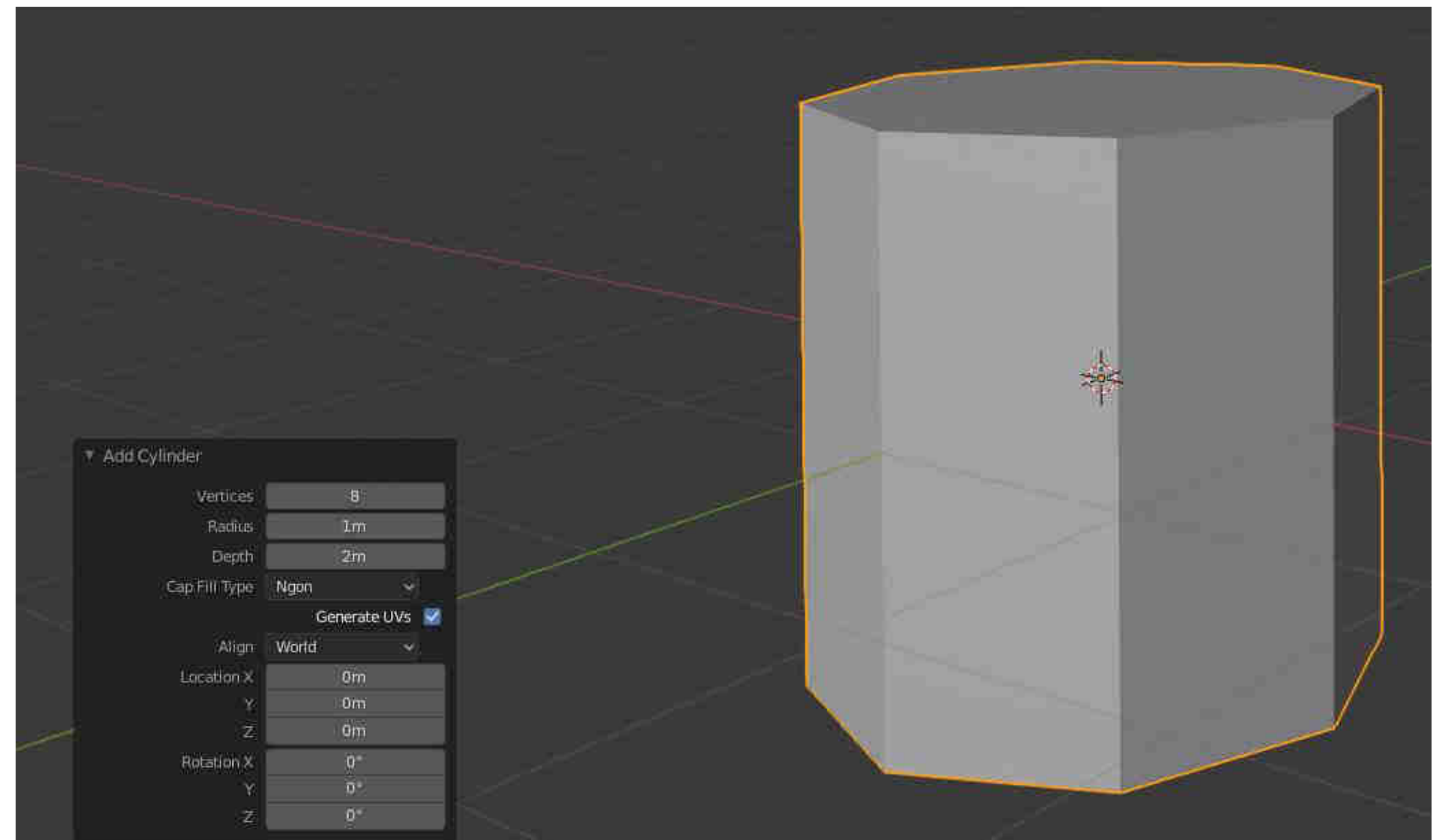
LOW POLY SPRUCE

guided modeling



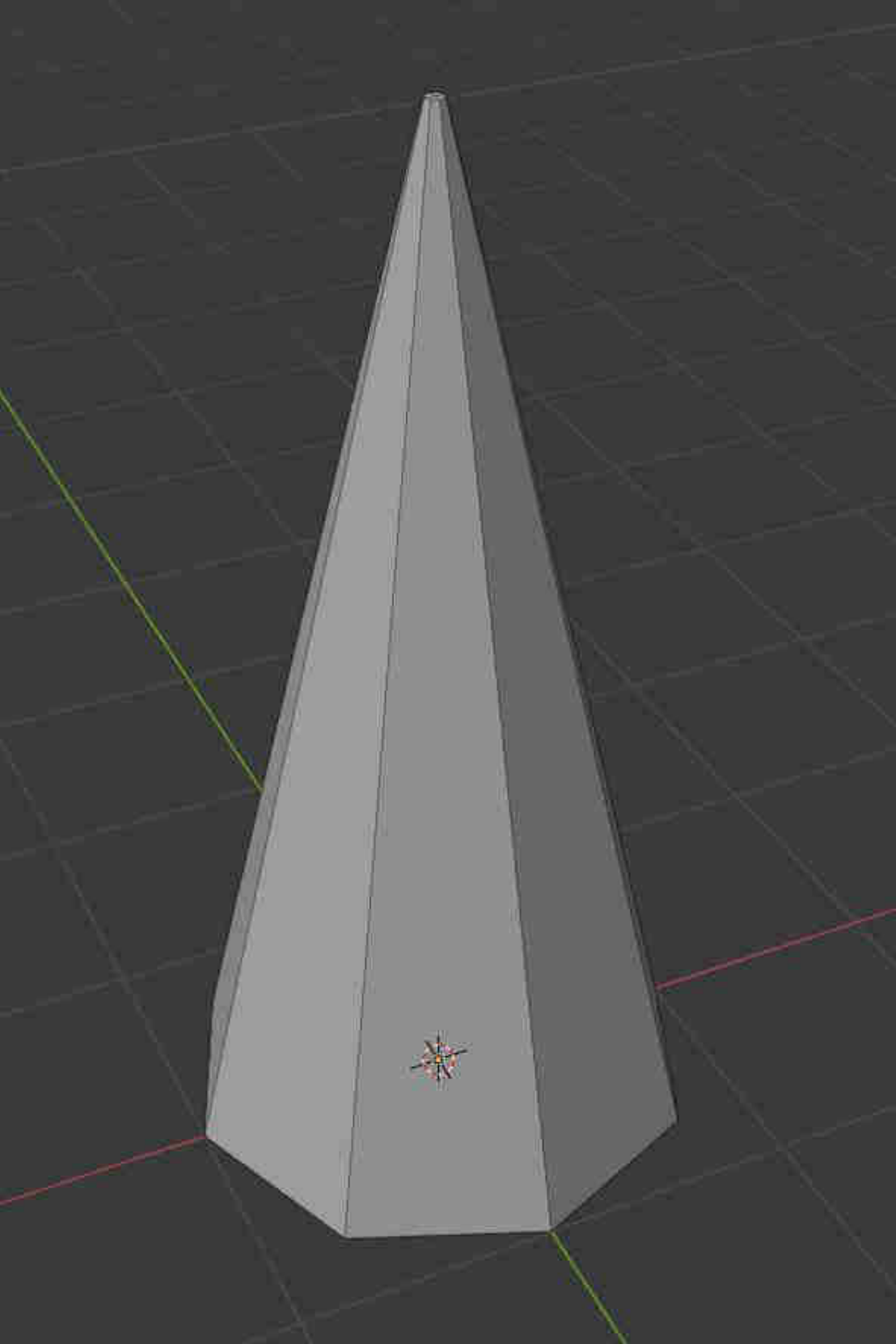
Spruce – base outline

- **SHIFT + S** -> world origin
- **SHIFT + A** => add new object
- START OBJECT = cylinder,
8 vertices



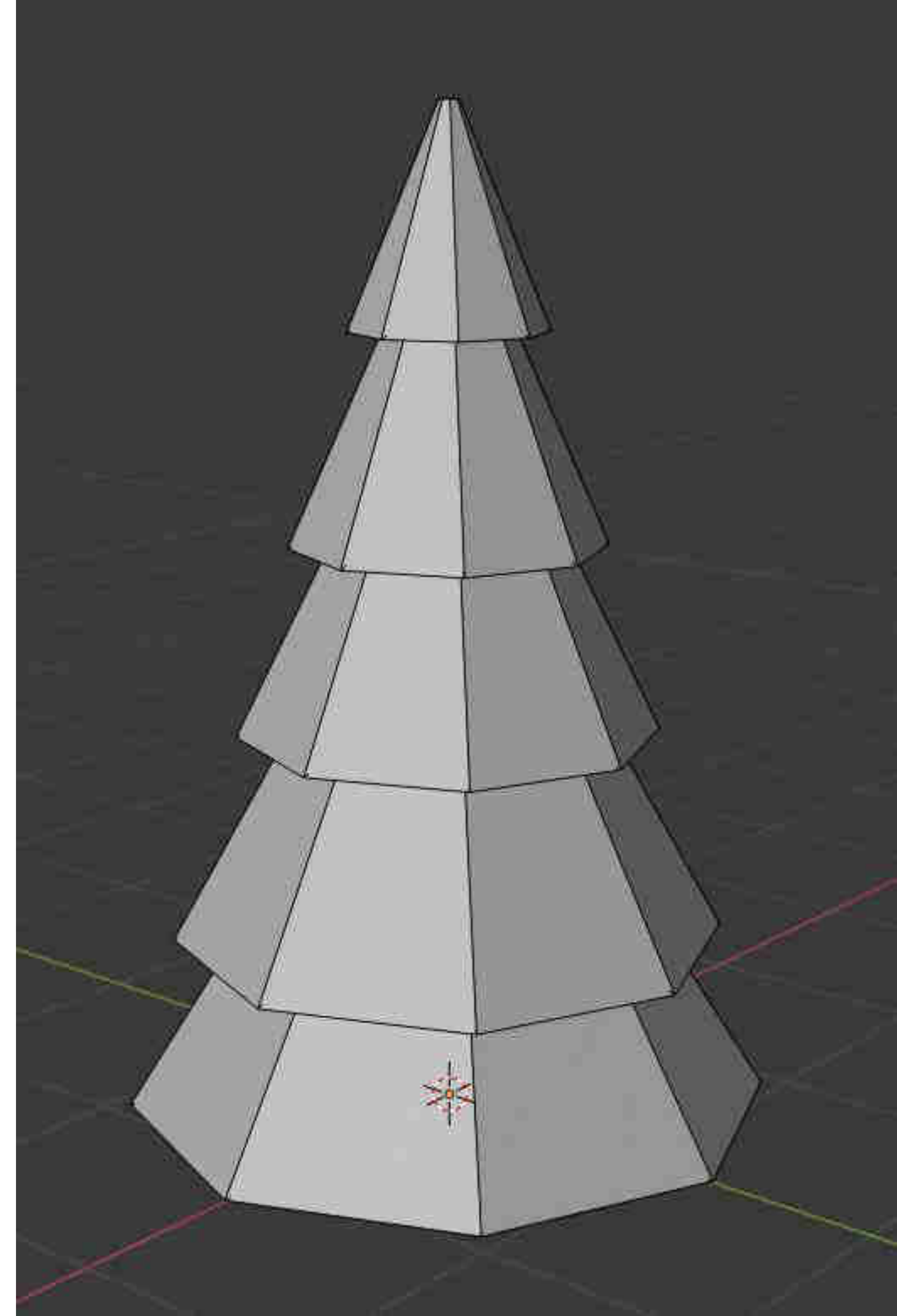
Spruce – canopy outline

- **1** => front view
- **A** => select whole object
- **S + Z** => scale on Z axis
- select top face
- **S** => scale down



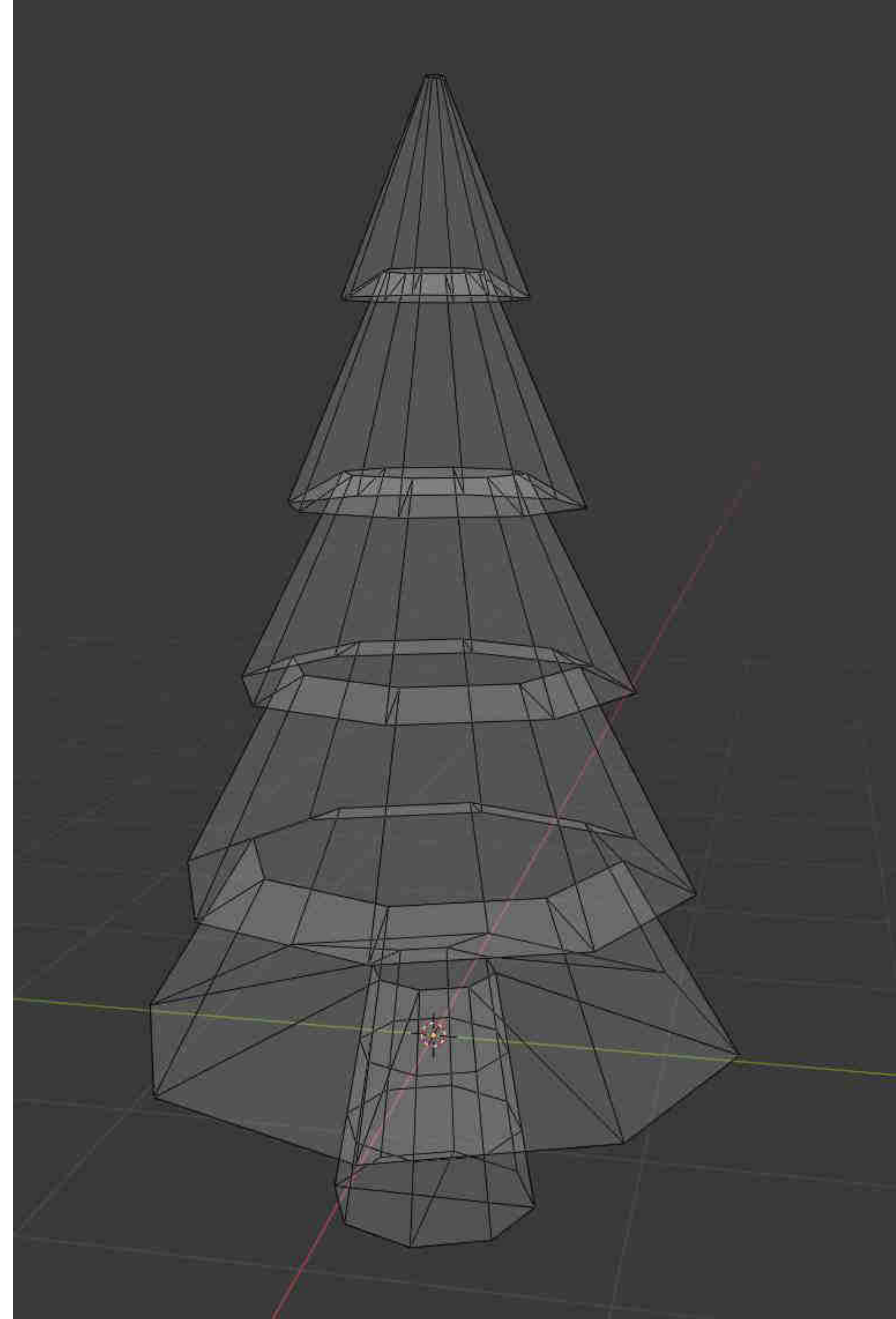
Spruce – canopy

- **CRTL + R** => add 4 loop cuts
- add new loop, directly above first one
- *while new loop is selected:*
- **S** => scale out
- move down (blue arrow)
- *repeat for all four loops :)*



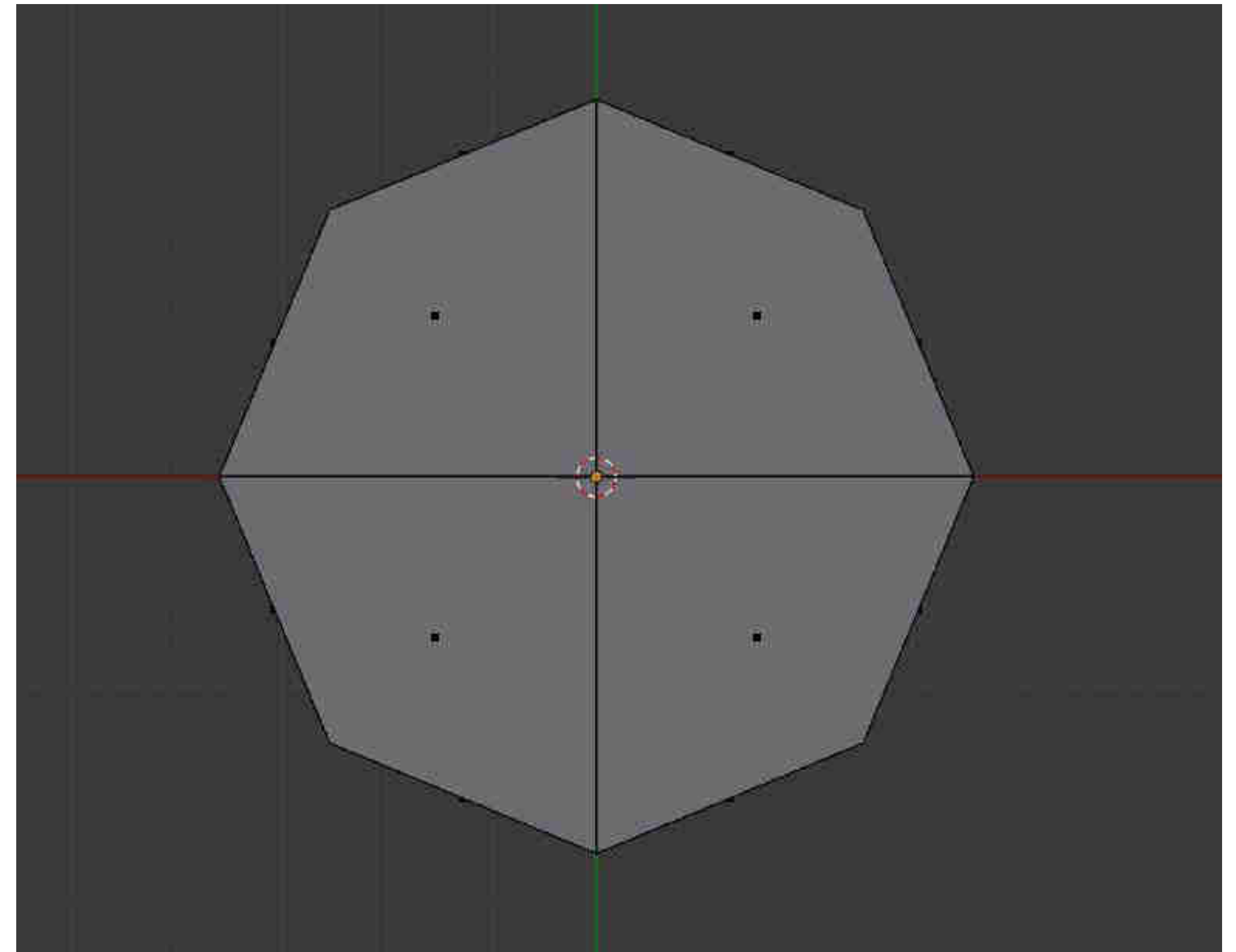
Spruce – trunk

- **SHIFT + 7** (bottom view)
- select bottom face
- **I** => inset
- **E** => extrude down
- **CTRL + R** => add two loop cuts



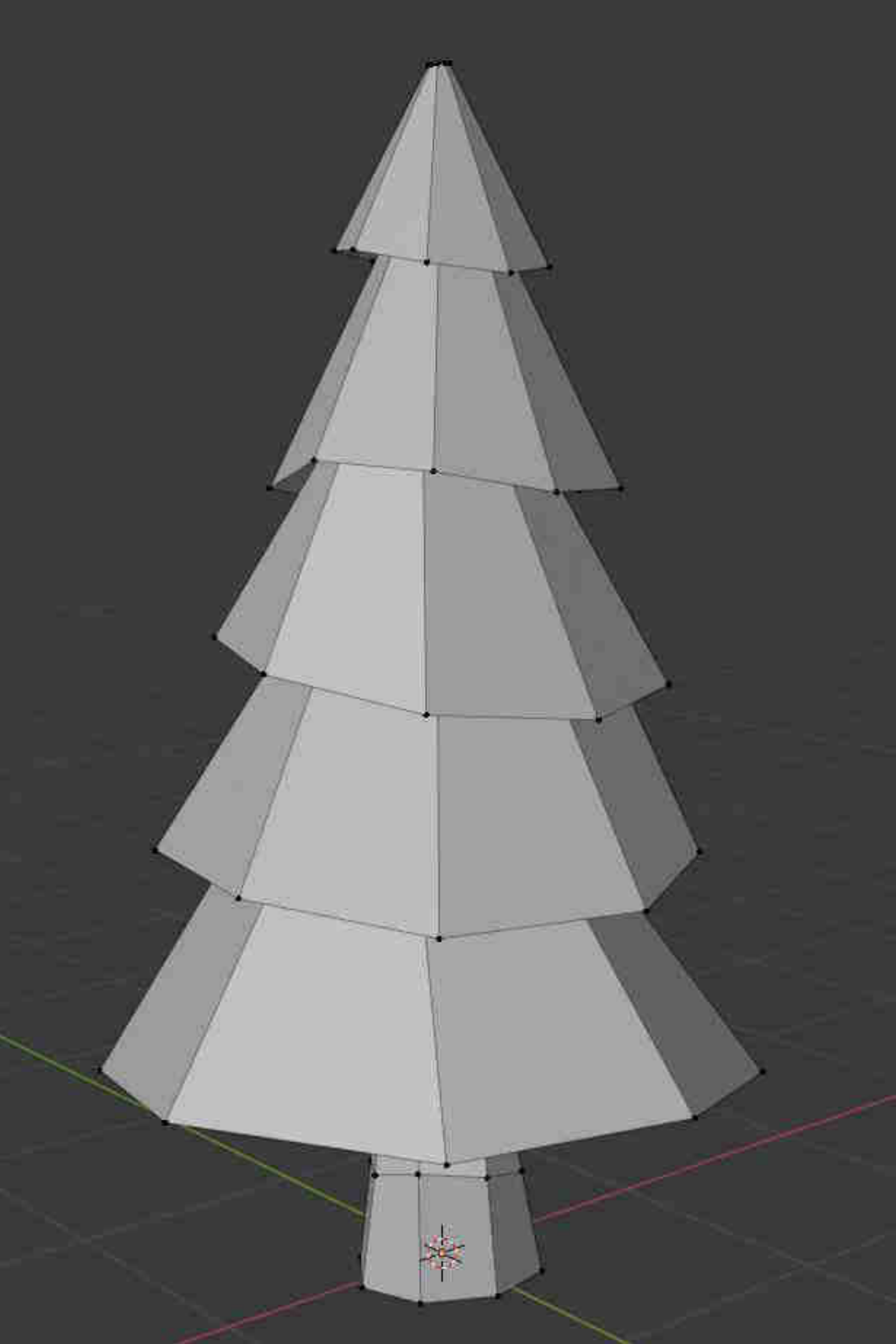
Spruce – fixing geometry

- *fix top and bottom face=> each face should be a quad (4 vertices) and not 8*
- **K** => knife
- cut up a cross => *we get four faces, each with four vertices*



Spruce - details

- **S** = scale
- **R** = rotate
- + move vertices
- use proportional editing => **O**



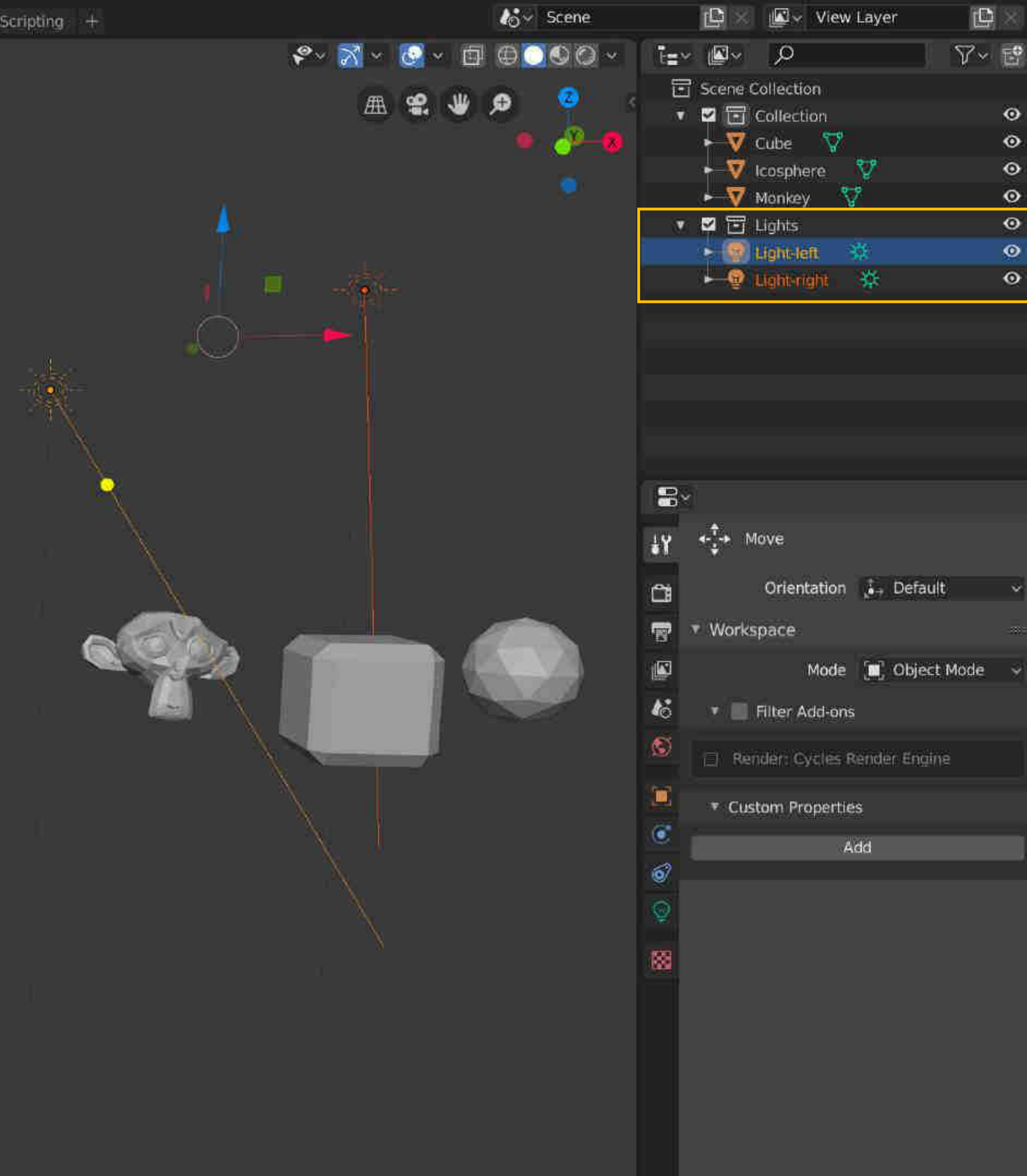


Collections

- objects are stored in *main database*
- from database they are referenced in *scenes*
- part of *scene collection*
- all scene objects belong to this special collection

Collections

- make your own collections
- better organization
- result is a clear and flexible way to arrange objects
- named and sorted hierarchically
- nested collections



Adding collections

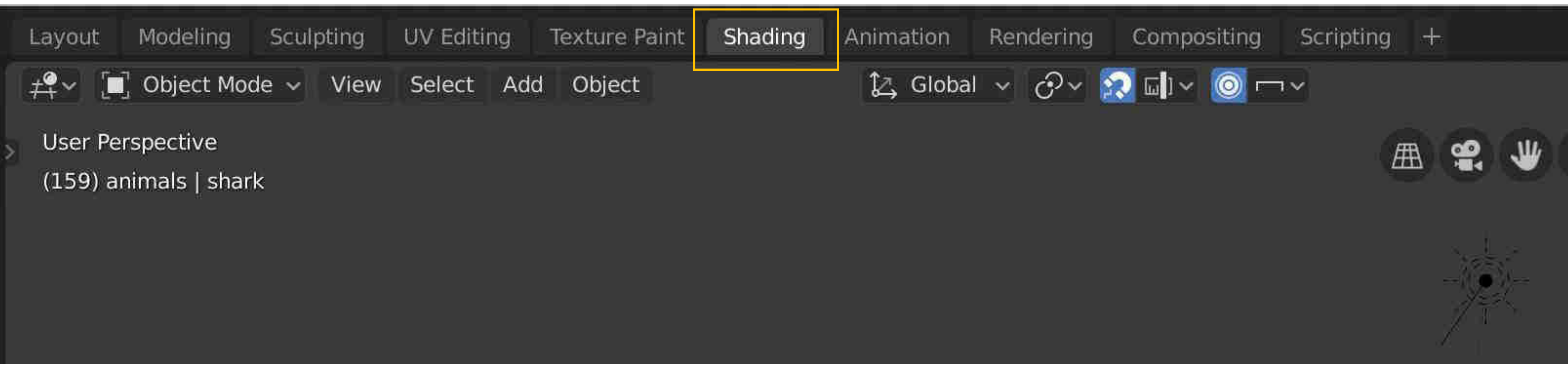
- select objects in scene which you want to group together
- shortcut – **M**
- new collection => name collection
- add to existing collection

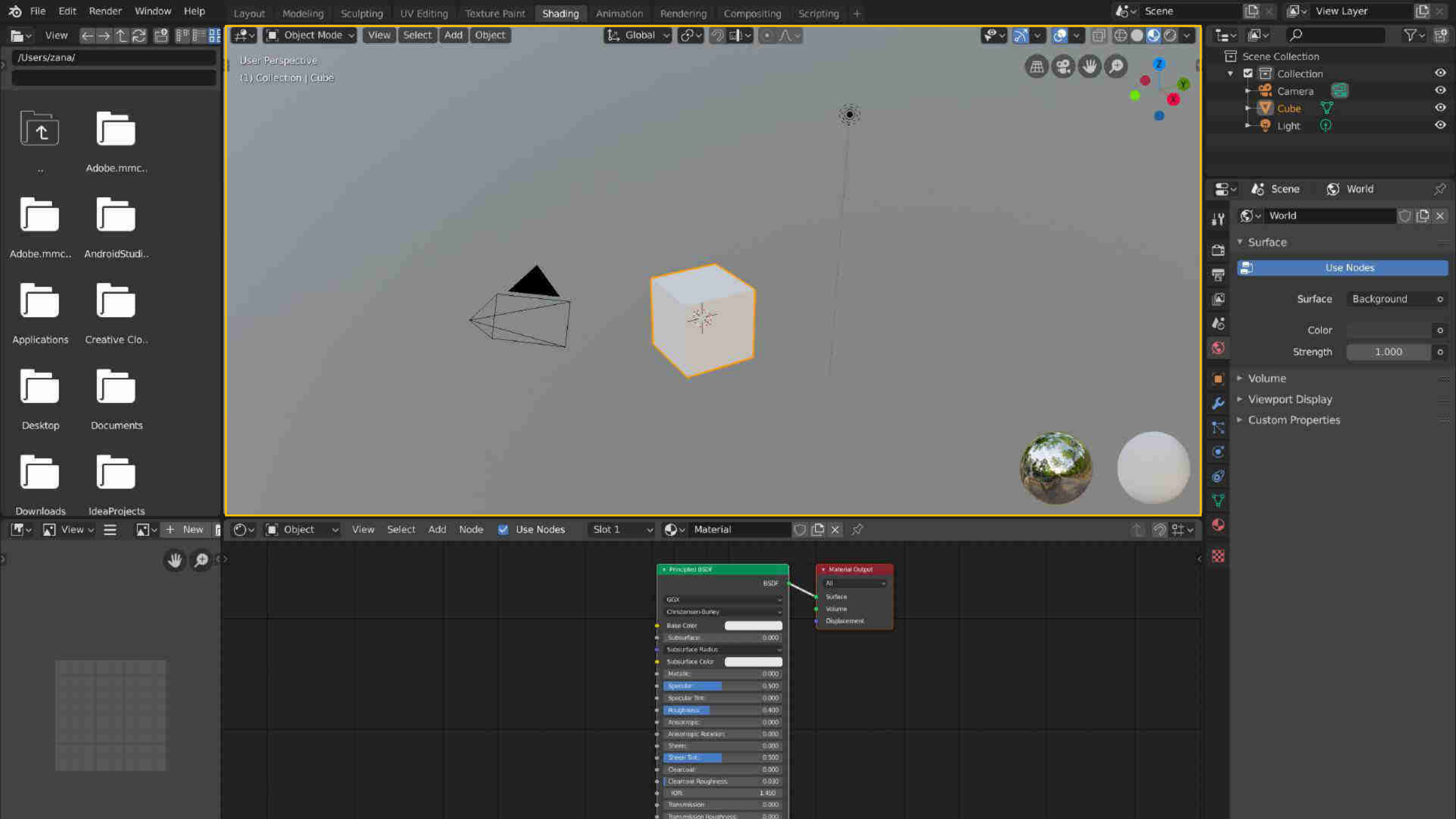
ADDING COLORS

materials

Shading

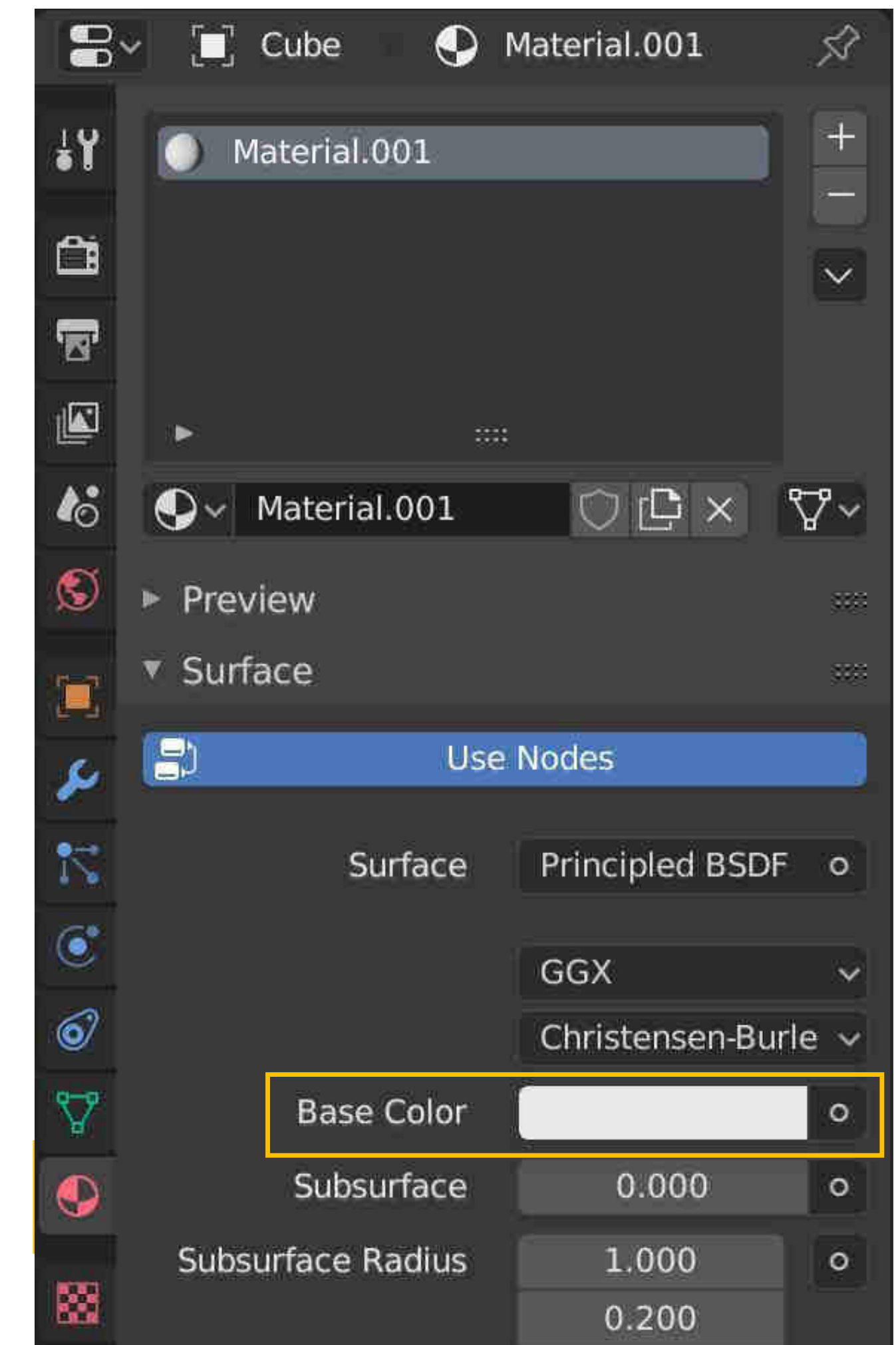
- Premade window layouts – easier to access Blender's functions
- shading layout for adding colors



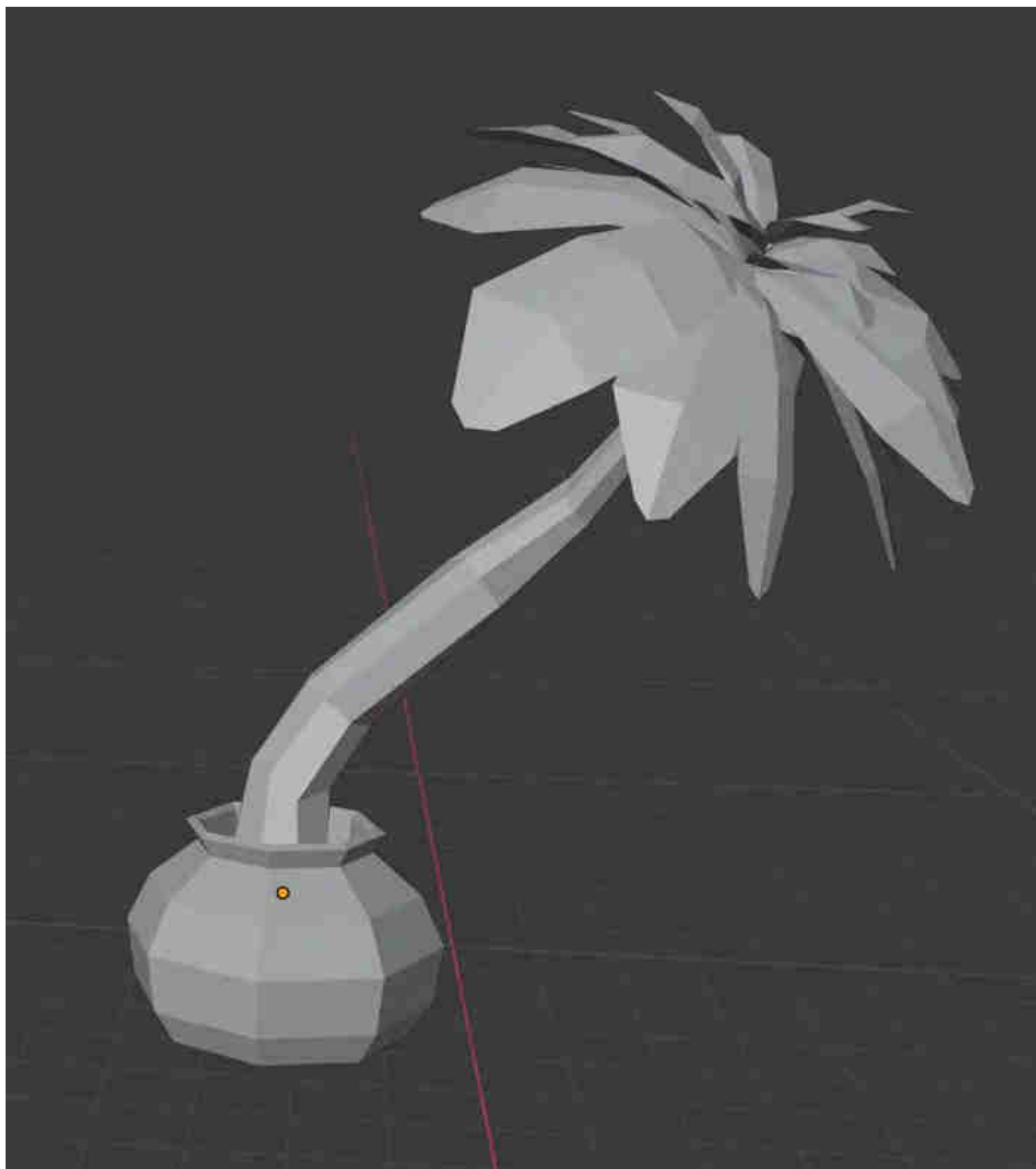


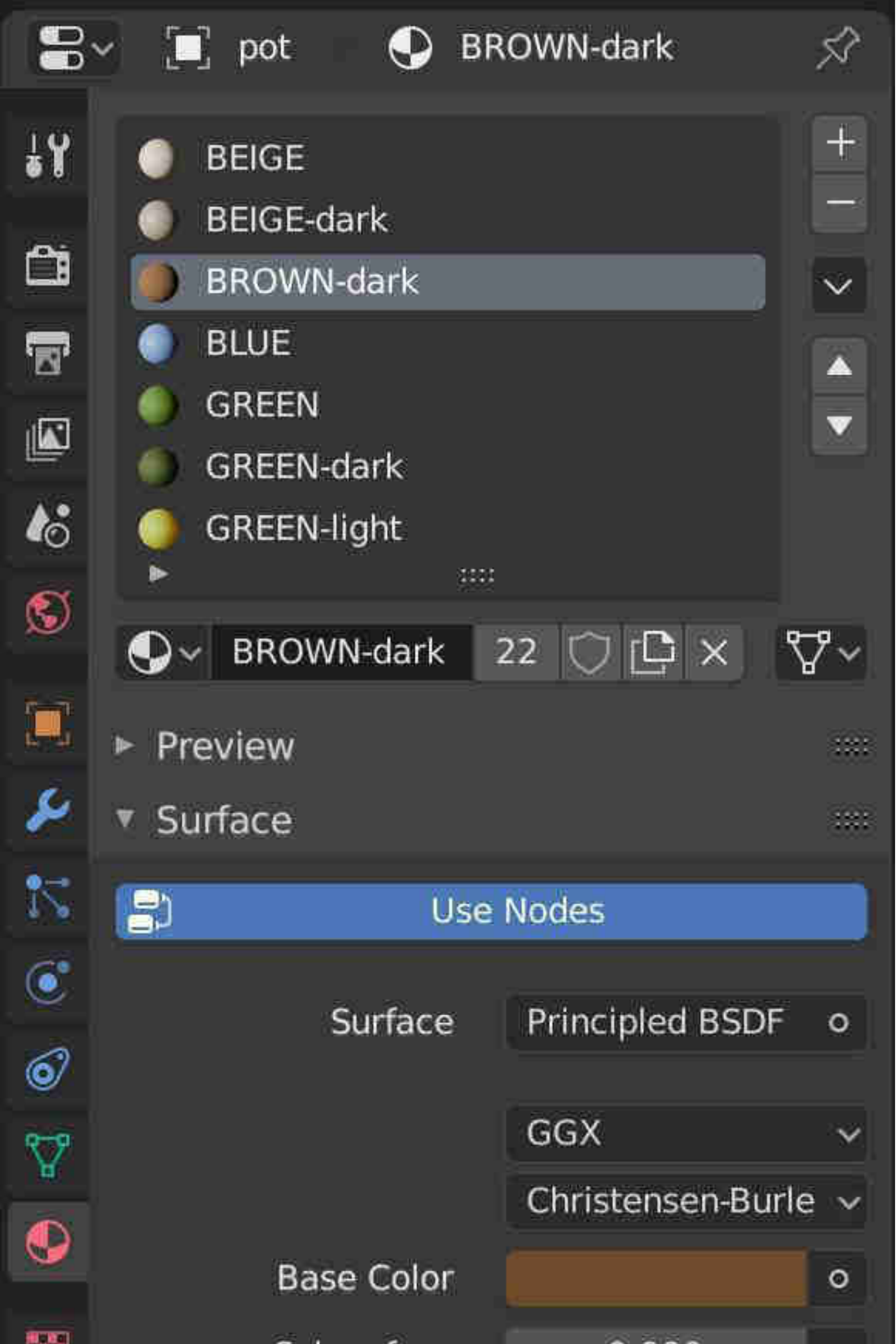
Adding new material

- material tab
- empty space – materials don't exist yet
- concept of assigning slots
 - create new slot for material
 - create the material for created slot
- choose base color by clicking the white square



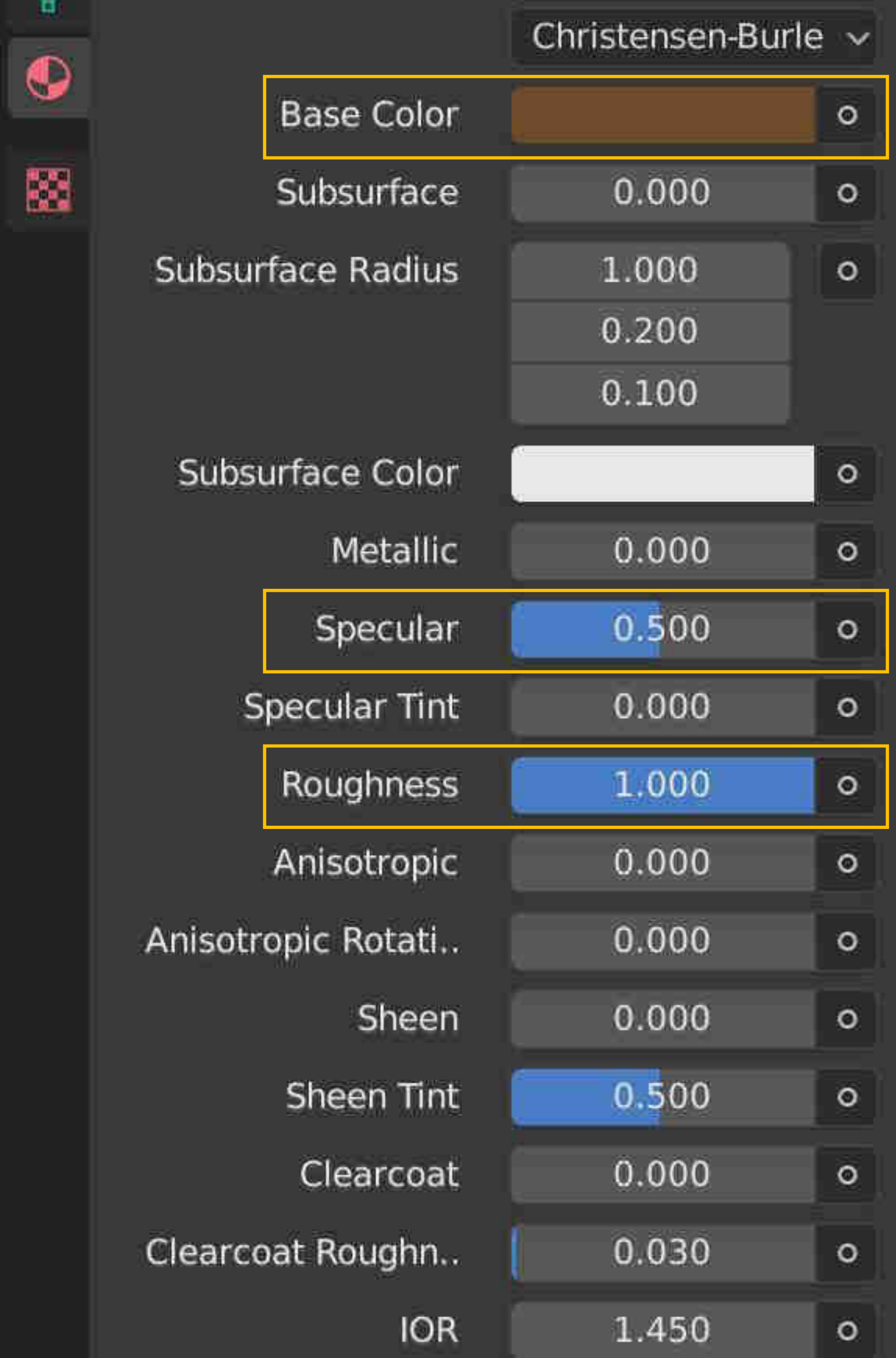
Multicolored object





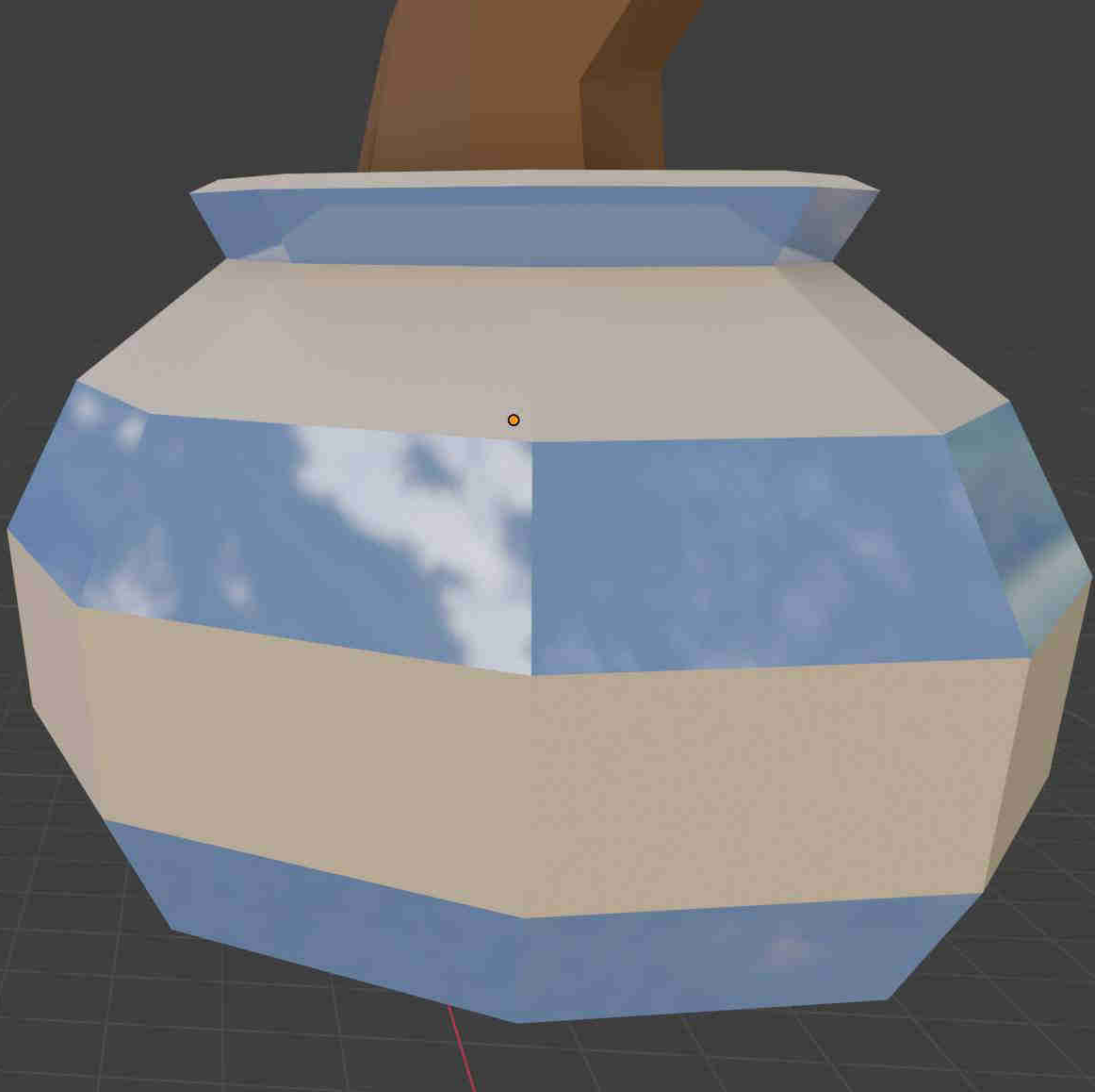
Materials

- creation of different materials
- Correctly naming created materials
- A lot of options – which are important?

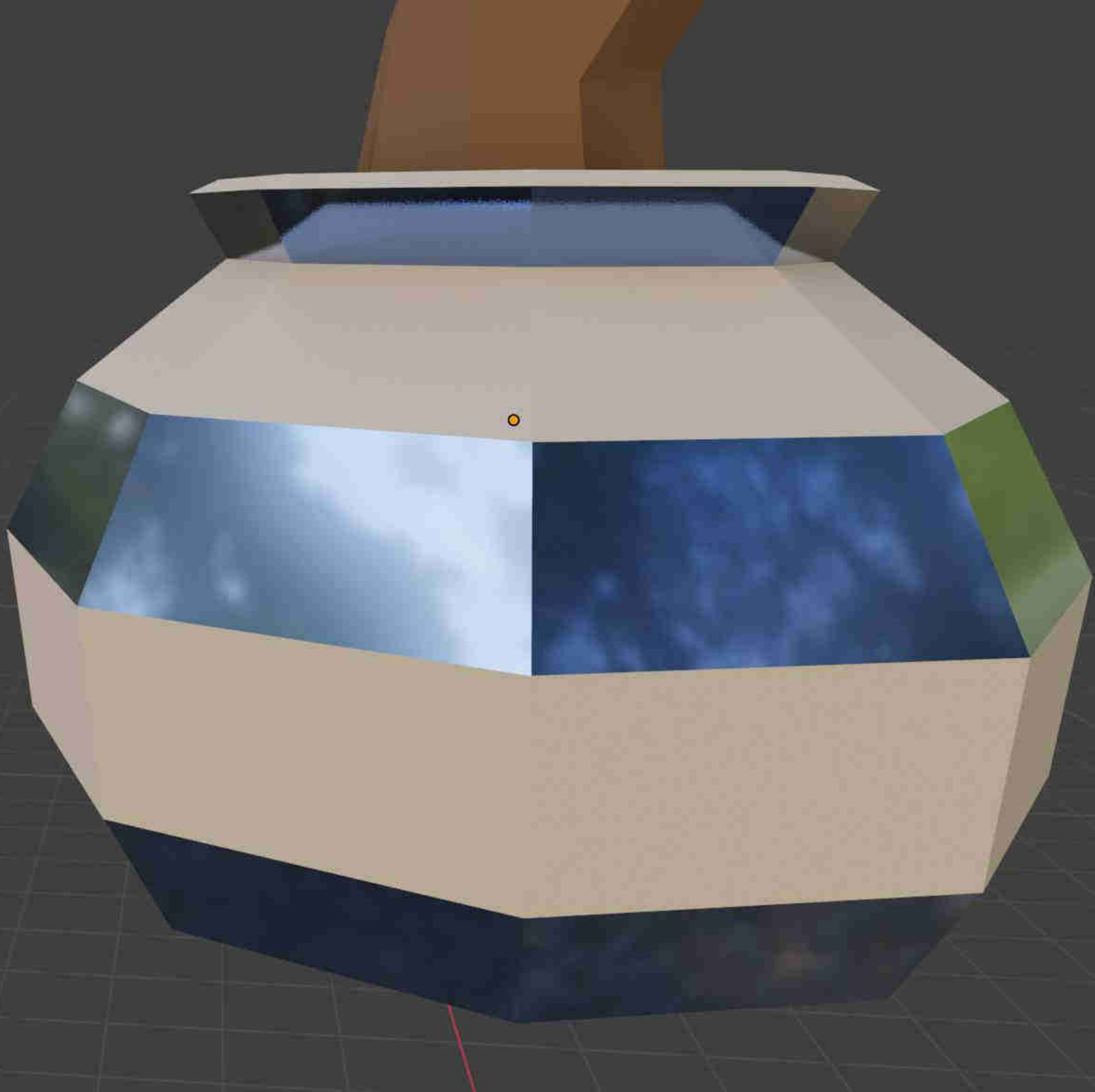


Materials

- base color
- specular – defines level of reflectivity
 - 0 => no reflections
 - 1 => maximum reflectivity
- roughness – defines the sharpness of edges
 - 0 => sharp mirror like reflections
 - 1 => blurred edges



Surface	Principled BSDF	o
	GGX	v
	Christensen-Burle	v
Base Color		o
Subsurface	0.000	o
Subsurface Radius	1.000	o
	0.200	
	0.100	
Subsurface Color		o
Metallic	0.000	o
Specular	1.000	o
Specular Tint	0.000	o
Roughness	0.000	o
Anisotropic	0.000	o
Anisotropic Rotati..	0.000	o
Sheen	0.000	o
Sheen Tint	0.500	o
Clearcoat	0.000	o
Clearcoat Roughn..	0.030	o
IOR	1.450	o
Transmission	0.000	o
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Surface Principled BSDF

GGX

Christensen-Burle

Base Color

Subsurface 0.000

Subsurface Radius 1.000
0.200
0.100

Subsurface Color

Metallic 1.000

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Specular Tint 0.000

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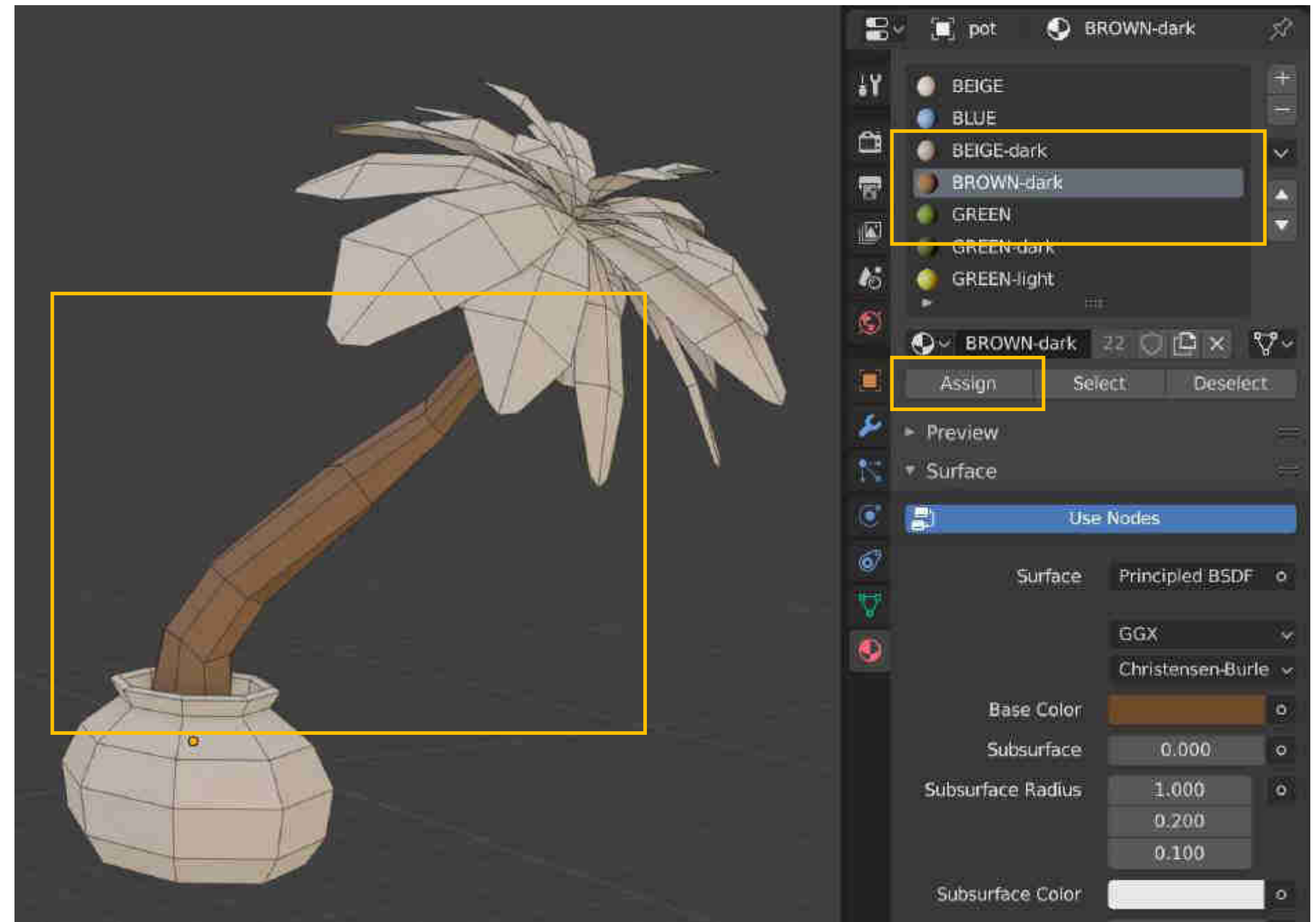
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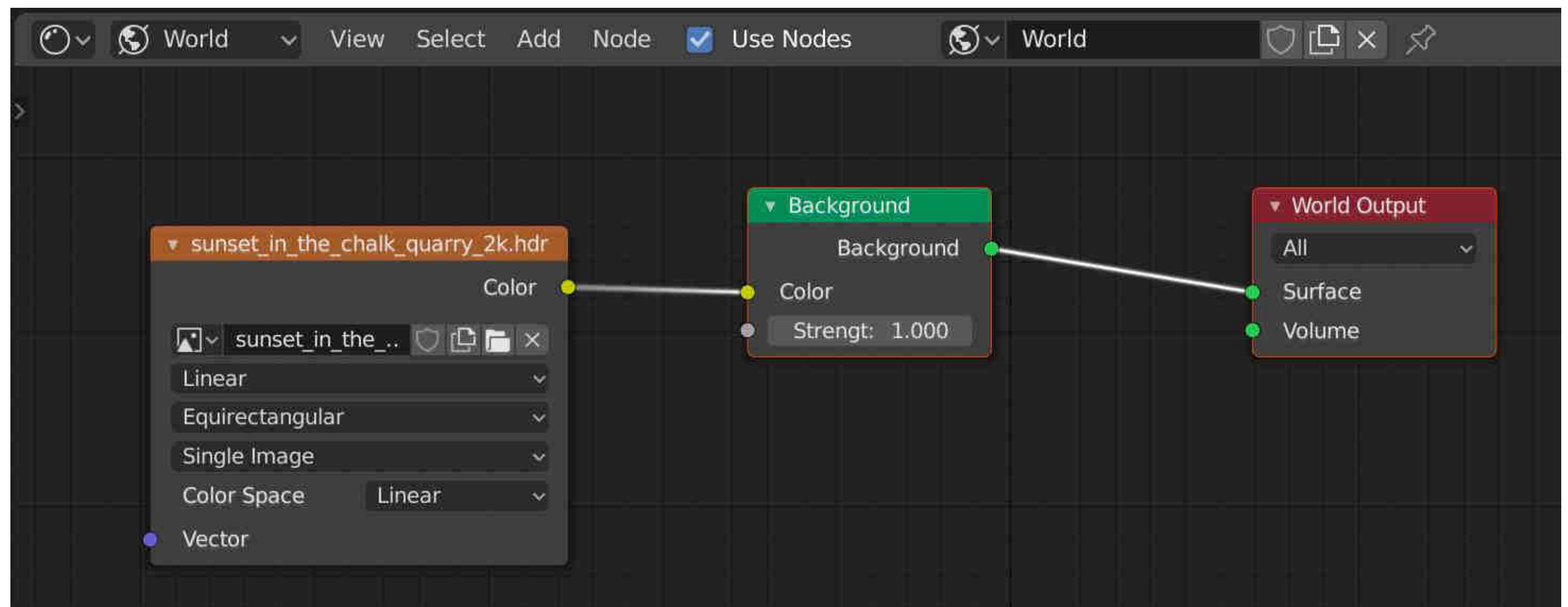
Adding materials to faces

- edit mode (**TAB**)
- select faces the material will be assigned to
- select material
- button assign



Adding HDRI

- shading => world tab
- add new node => **SHIFT + A > texture > environment texture**
- select HDRI image (*open*)
- connect added node with background node



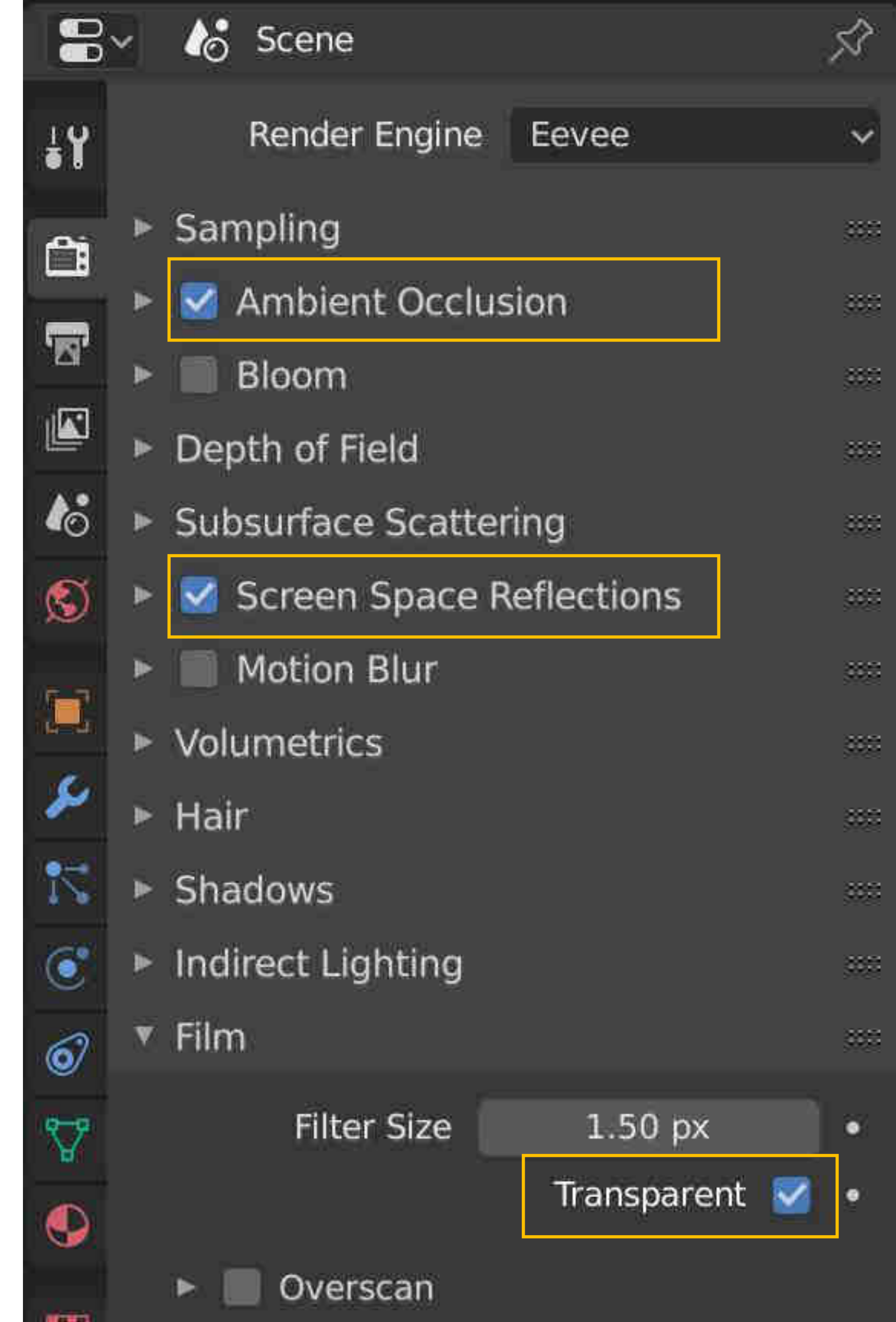
Background

- HDRI is by default shown in your background and in final render
- we want transparent background
- How can we achieve this?



Transparent background

- render => film => transparent
- *While we're at it* – also check:
 - Ambient Occlusion
 - Screen Space Reflections



RIGGING

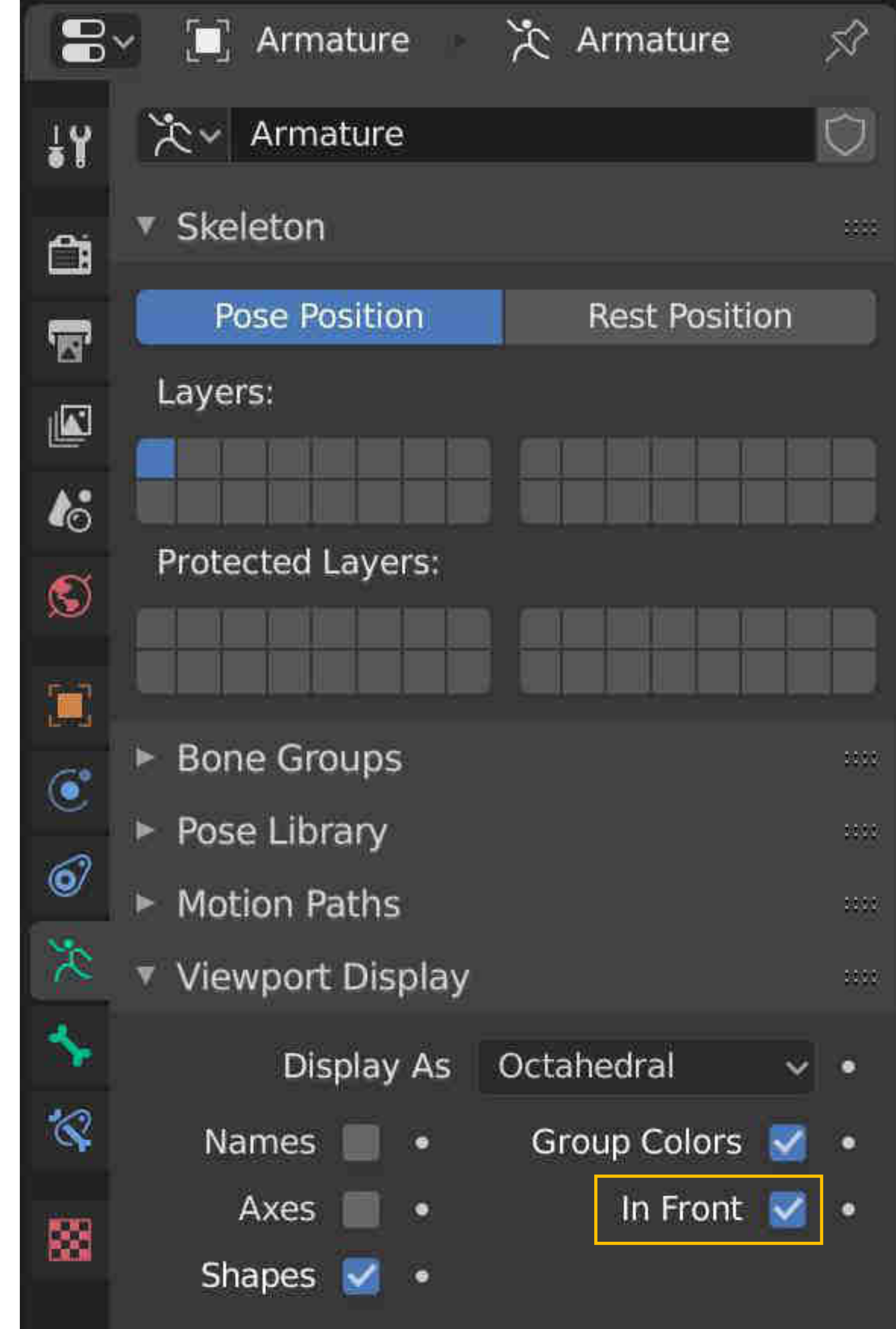
adding armature

Rigging

- process of creating bone structure
 - manipulating 3D model
 - simplifies animation process
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- finished 3D model
 - construct skeleton
 - binding model and skeleton

Armature

- prepare workspace
- OBJECT mode
- **SHIFT + S -> cursor to world origin**
- adding a bone (**SHIFT + A -> armature**)
- properties => armature => "in front"

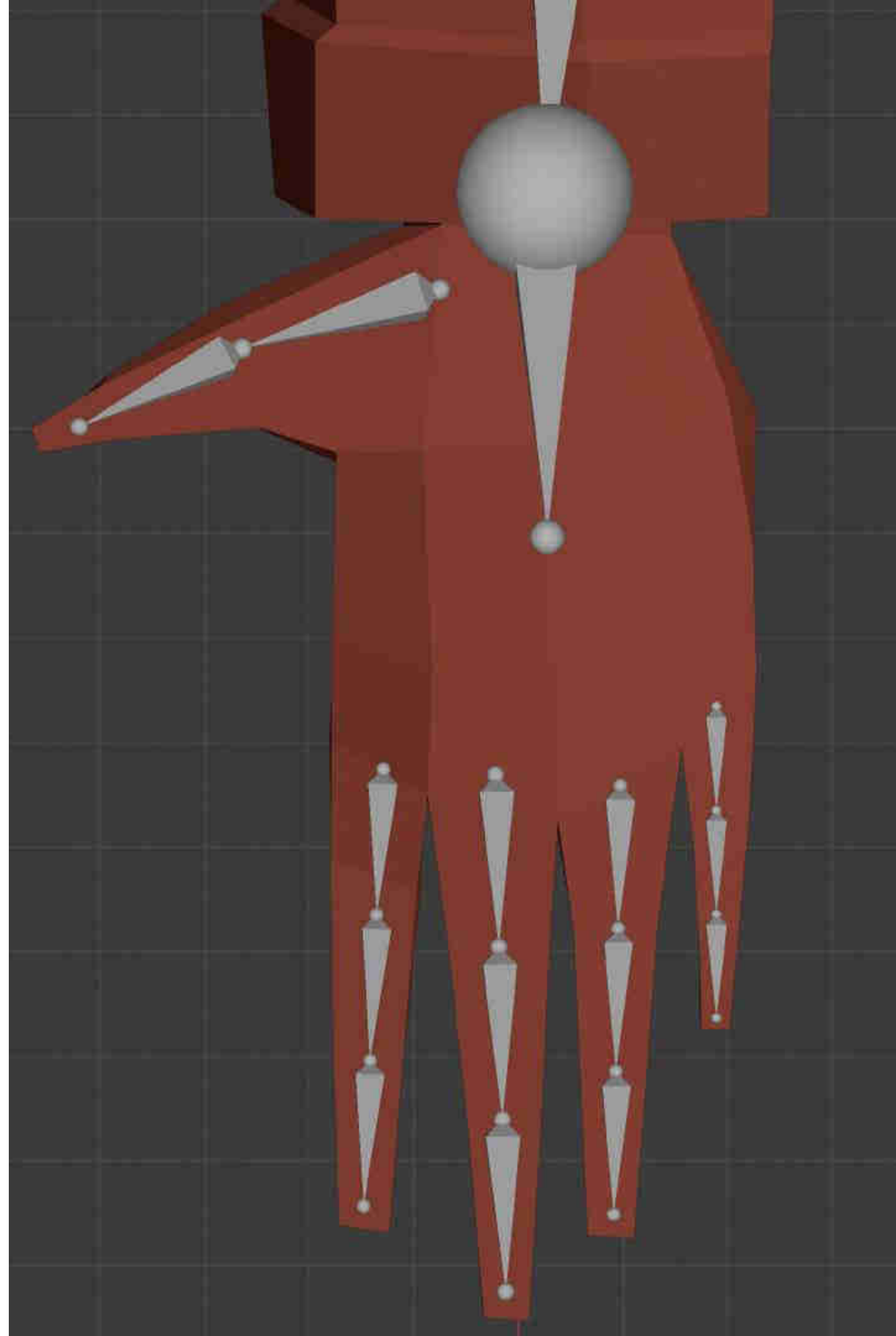


Armature

- duplicate (**SHIFT + D**)
- add parent (**CTRL + P -> keep offset**)
- clear parent (**OPTION + P -> clear parent**)
- extrude (**E**)
- rotate (**R**)
- scale (**S**)
- *correctly naming the bones (".L" or ".R")*

Armature – human

- same process for spine and head
- arms and legs consist of 3 bones
- example of hand armature



Fin1.L

Fin1.R

Fin2.L

Fin2.R

Head

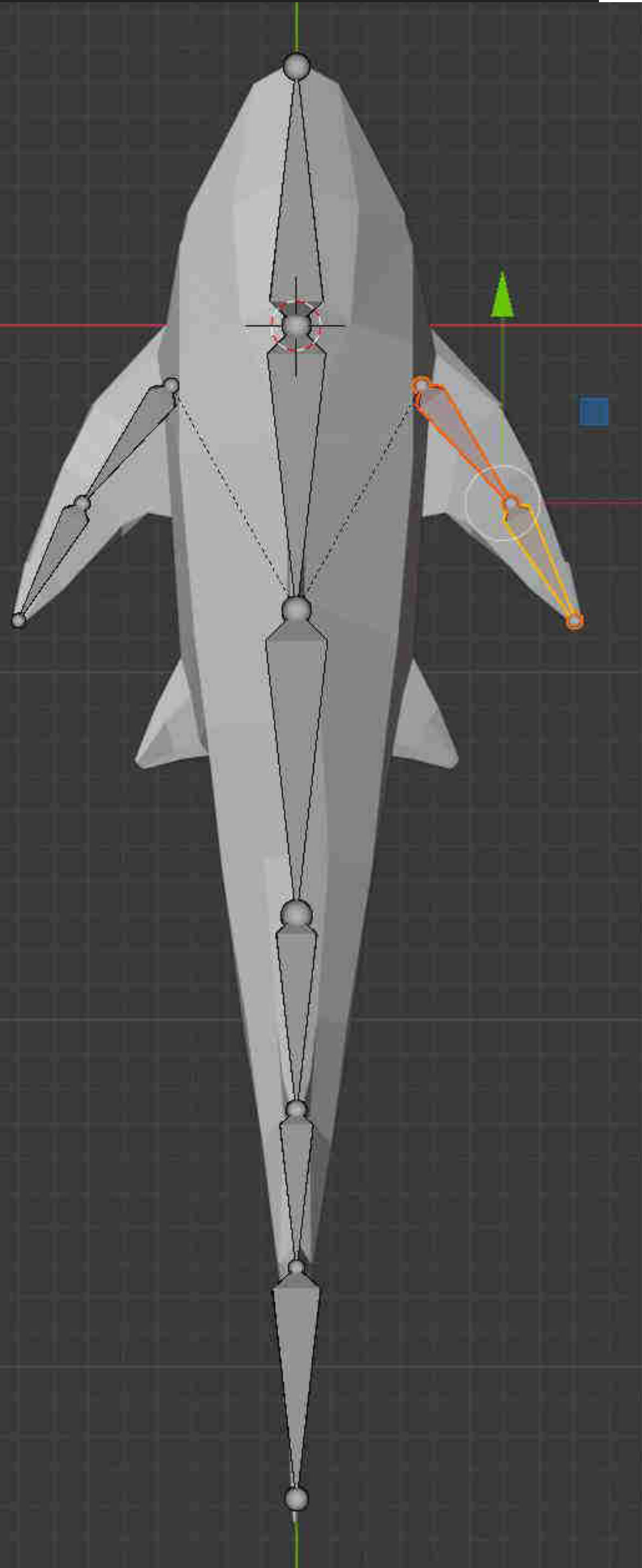
Spine1

Spine2

Spine3

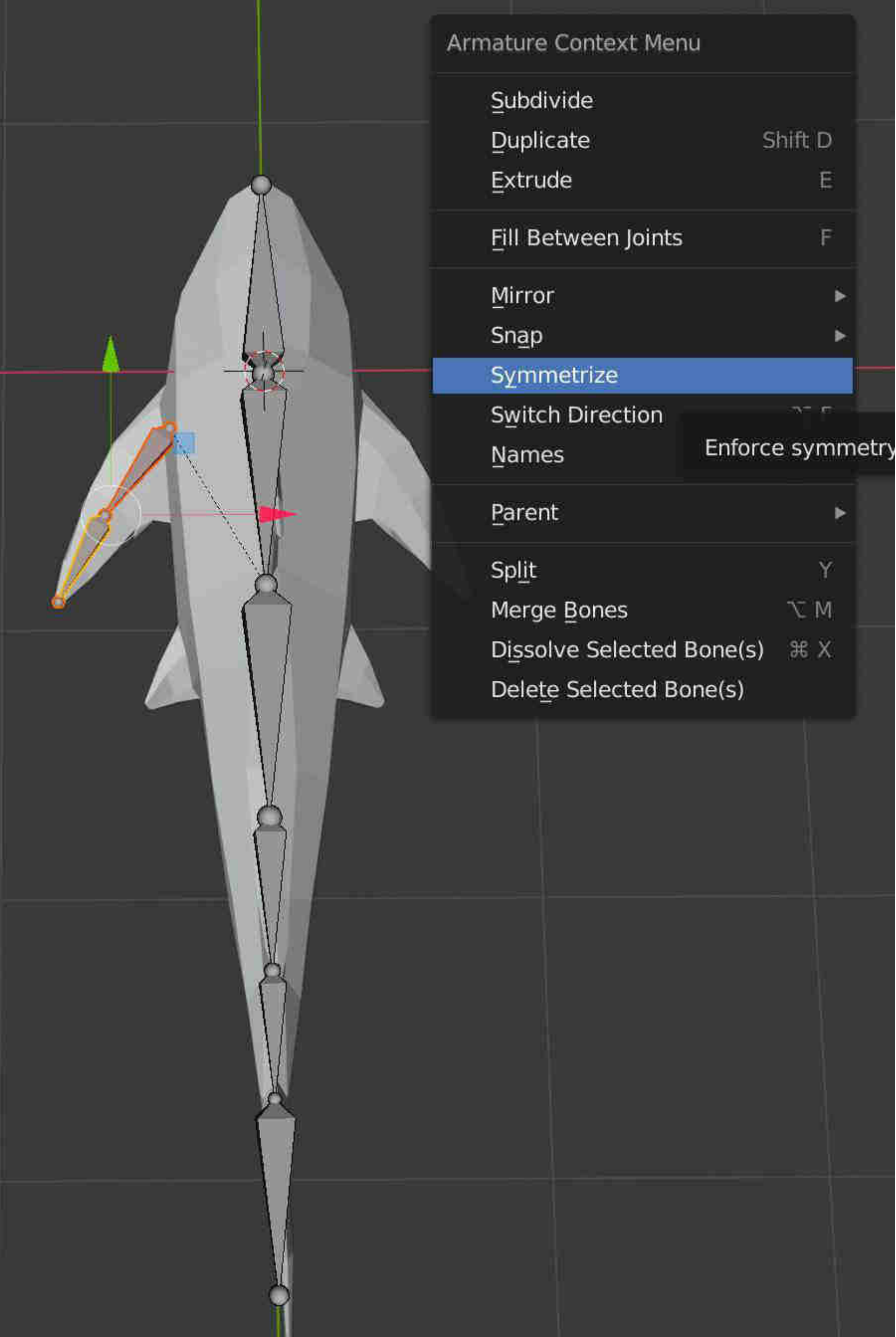
Spine4

Tail



Bone naming

- bone + number
 - spine => *spine1, spine2, spine3*
 - *neck, head*
- bone + number + ".L" / ".R"
 - arms, legs => *arm1.R, leg1.L*
 - fingers => *pointer2.R*
 - fins, ears, wings ... => *fin1.L*

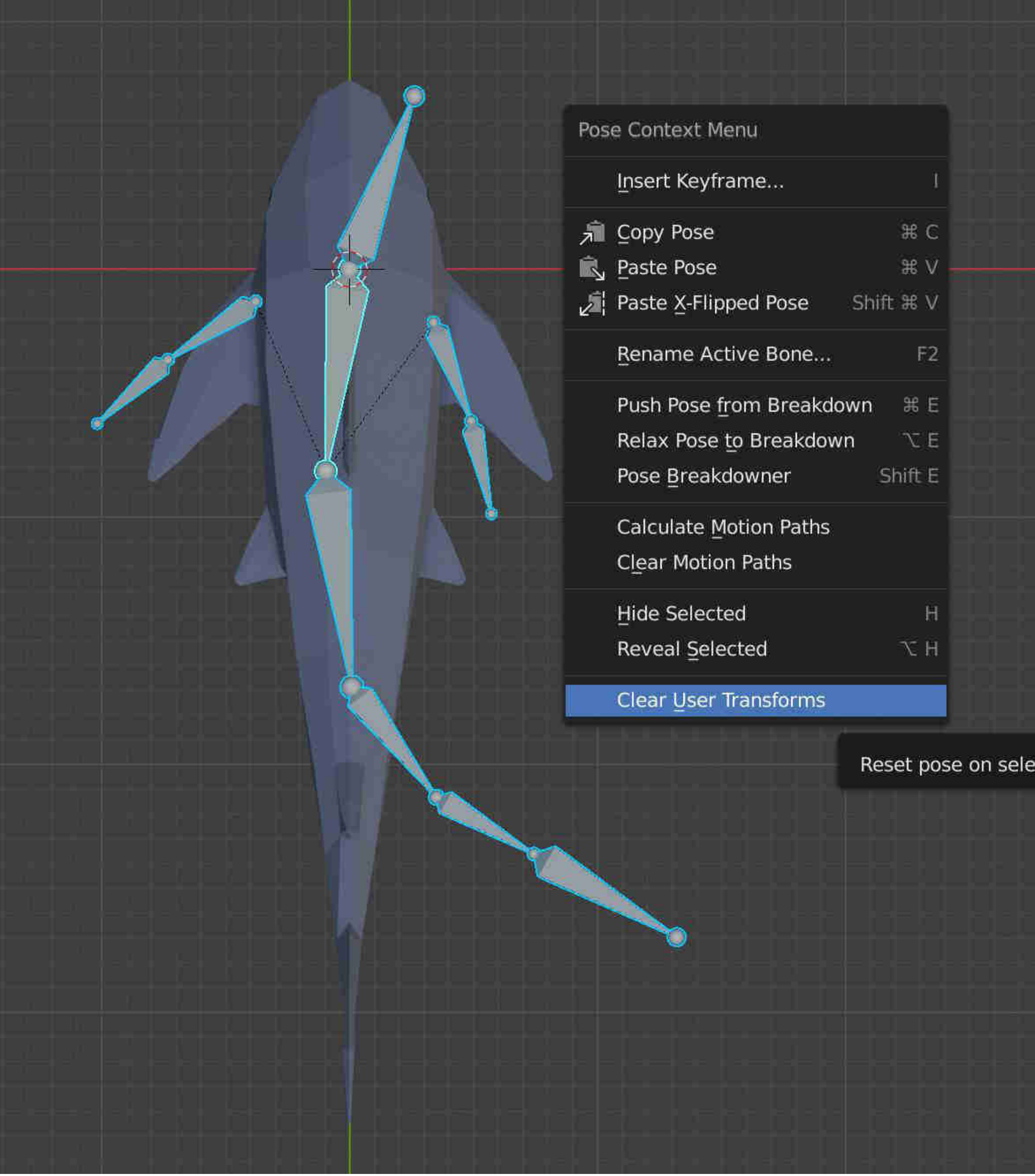


Symmetrize

- mirroring one side of armature
- presumption:
 - cursor is in center (**SHIFT + S -> cursor to world origin**)
 - correctly set origin of object AND armature (**right click -> set origin -> origin to geometry**)
- select bones you want to mirror (**B**)
- mirror (**right click-> symmetrize**)

Pose mode

- third mode dedicated to the process of posing
- used to change bone position
- if model is not rigged, only the armature moves
- to test if bone connections are correct

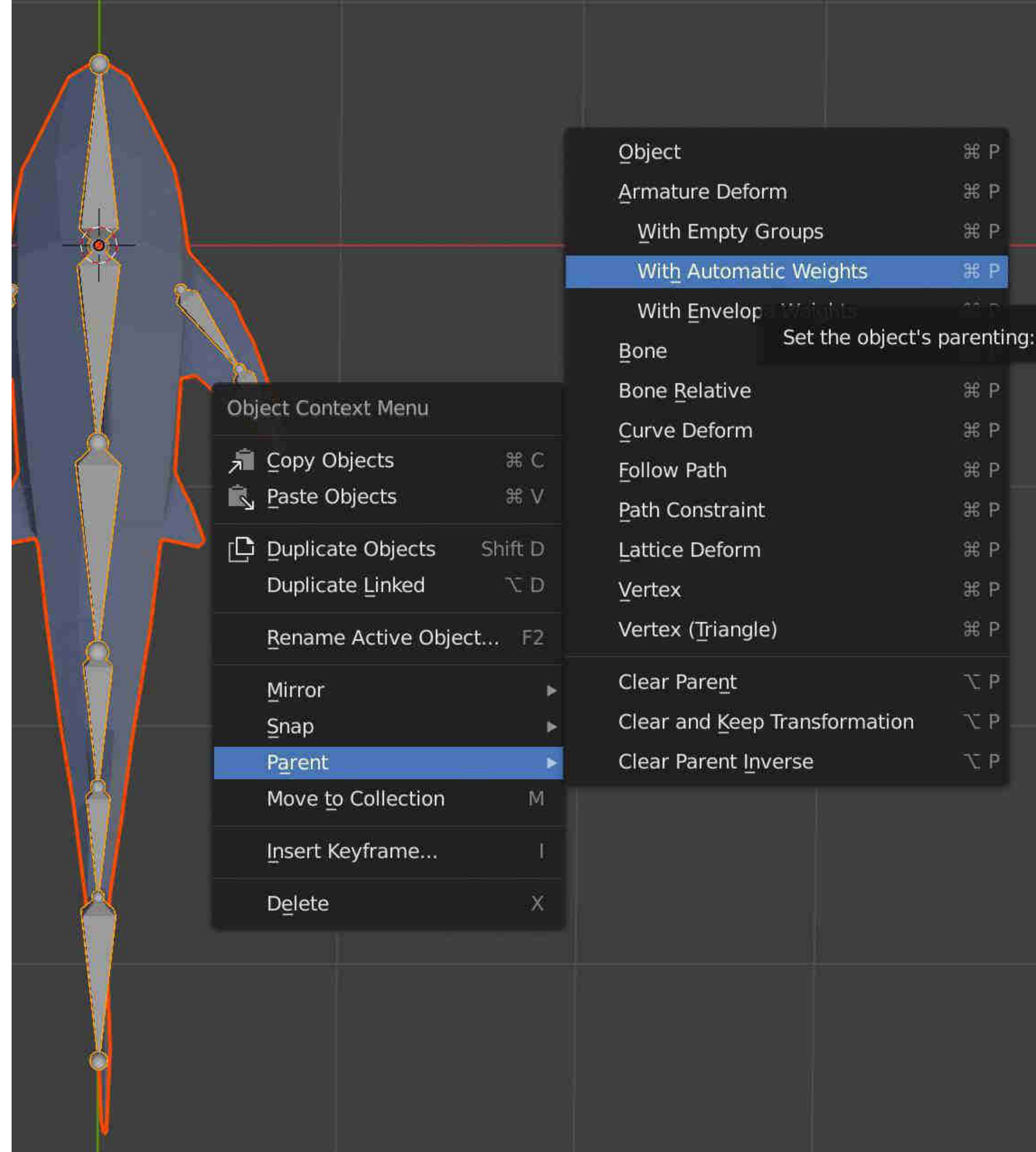


Clear user transforms

- you can't correctly rig posed armature
- solution: transform the armature back to it's original position
- function "clear user transforms"

Binding model and armature

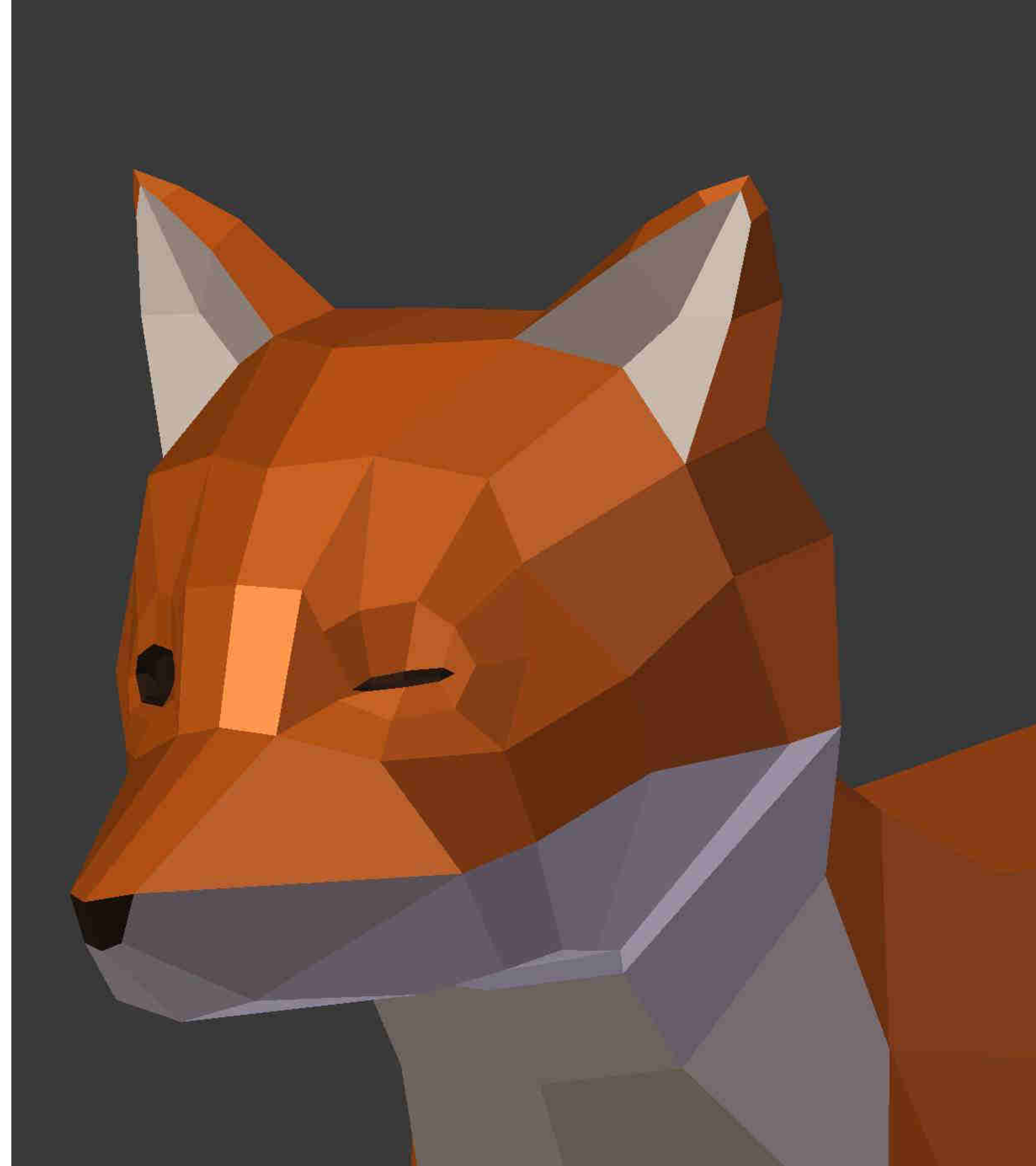
- Select model and then the armature (**SHIFT**)
- Join them (**right click -> parent -> with automatic weights**)
- check bound model in POSE mode



SHAPE KEYS

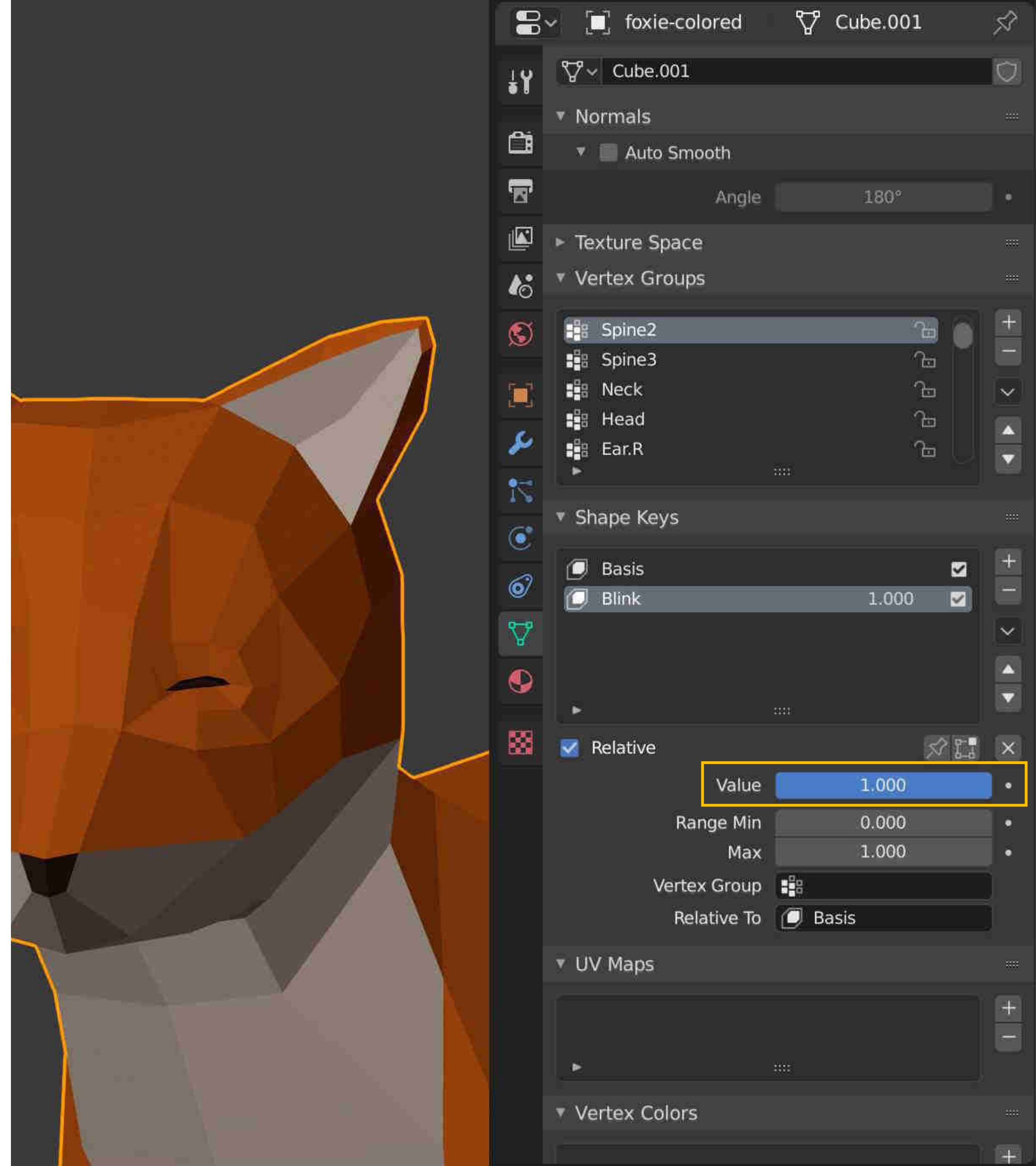
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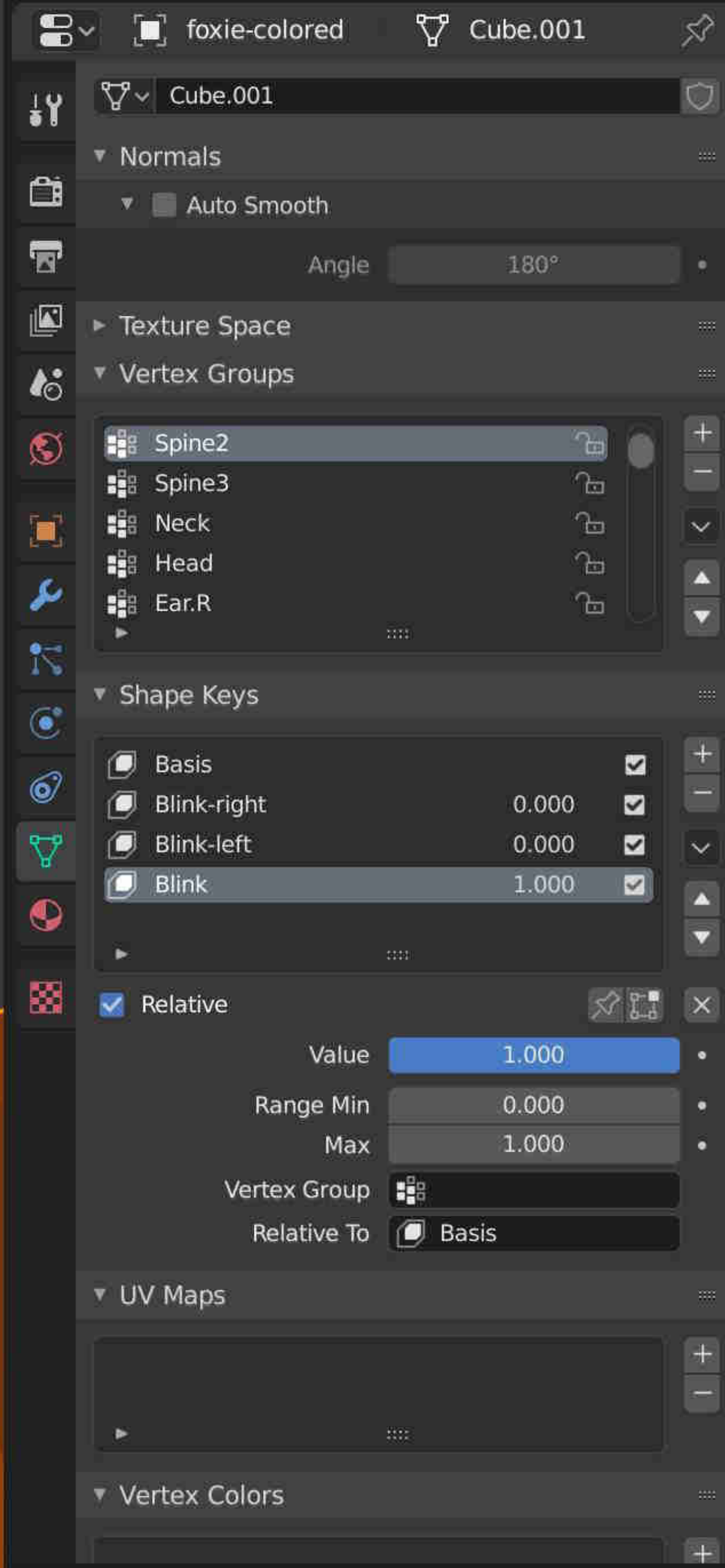
- deforming object in new shapes
- storing positions of vertices
- creating facial expressions
- fixing artefacts
- original polygon mesh => basis shape



Shape keys

- properties => data => shape keys
- create BASIS shape key
- new shape key (+) & rename
- EDIT mode => move the vertices
- OBJECT mode => slider (0-1)



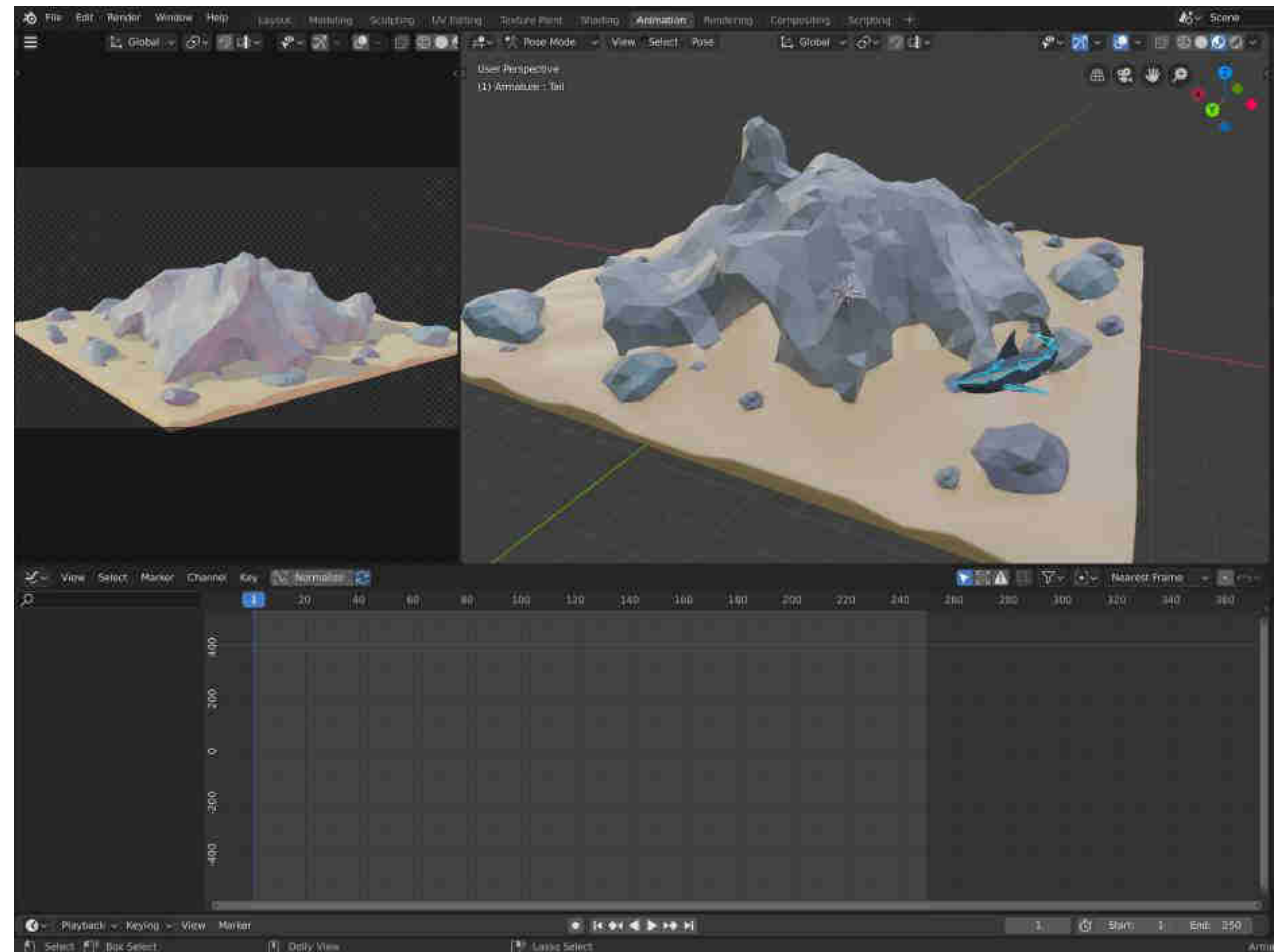


Additional options

- mirroring shape keys
 - shape key => value to 1
 - triangle => new shape from mix
 - triangle => mirror shape key
- combining shape keys
 - multiple shape keys => value to > 0
 - triangle => new shape from mix

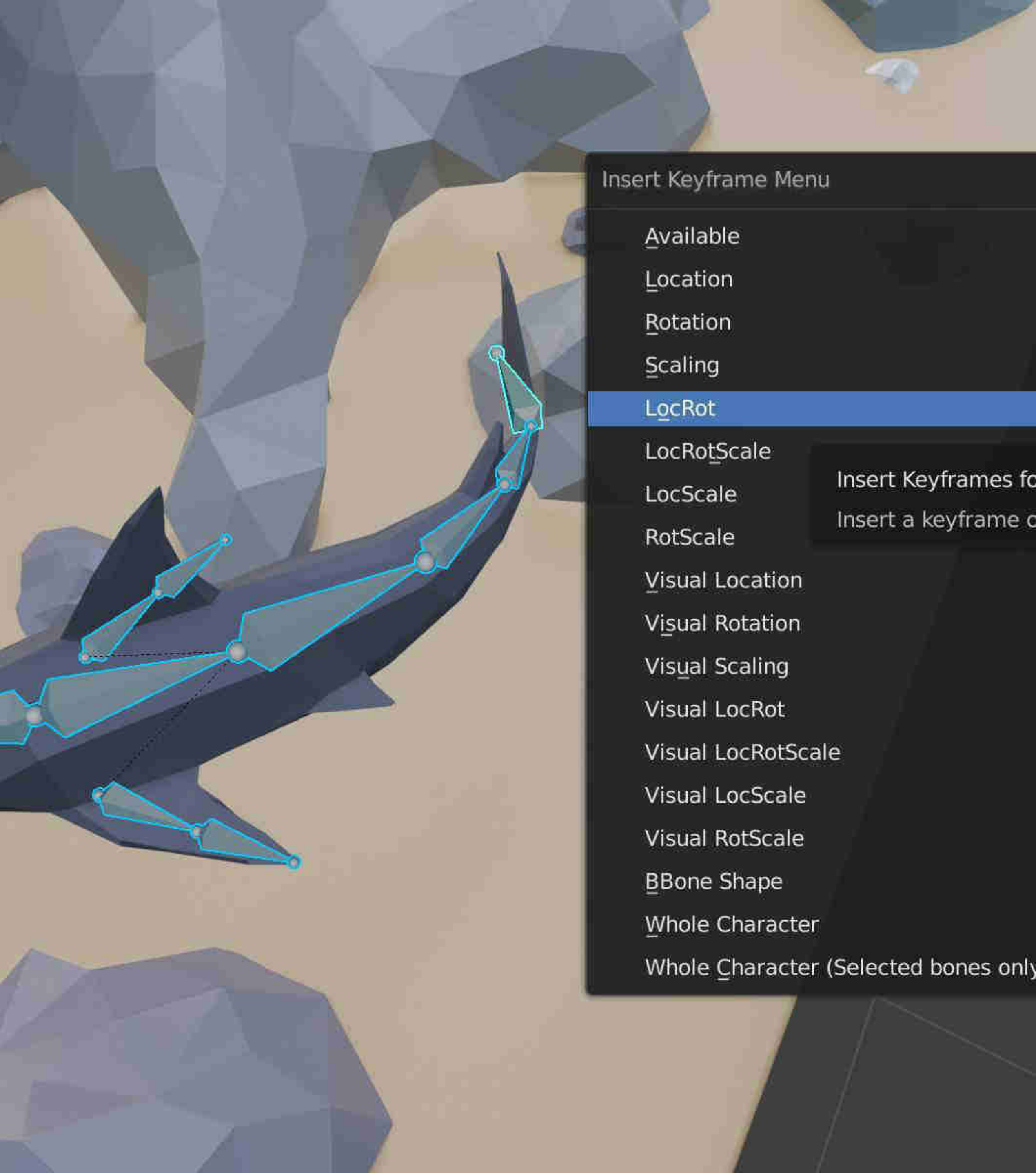
Animation

- changing the object over time
- achieved with use of keyframes
- KEYFRAME = marker of time which stores information
- interpolated animation



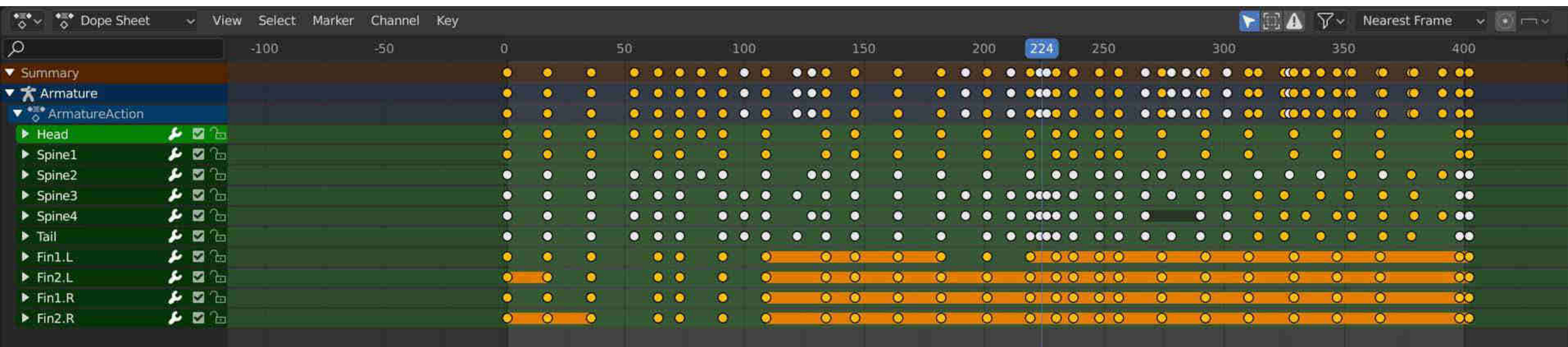
Keyframes

- add keyframe (**I -> LocRot**)
- delete keyframe (**X**)
- editing keyframes in
 - graph editor
 - dope sheet



Animation process

- first / last frame
- rough animation, fine animation, adding details
- checking progress => play / pause on timeline



Shape key animation

- properties => data => shape keys
- set value on slider
- hover the mouse over slider
- add keyframe (I)

