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**AZURE PROJECT IN ACTION - ADRIA SAILS, CROATIA SEASCAPE 18 EUROPEANS - SILVER MEDAL**

Vedran Rozic (Adria Sails) usually produces cruising sails for charter fleets. Having chosen **AzureProject** as his sail design tools, he decided to start developing racing sails!

To enter this new market segment, he got in touch with **Francesco, our support engineer**. Together, they designed a set of **high performance sails** for the Seascapes 18 class. After excellent results with a first set of sails in Dacron, Vedran then produced a second set using a laminate cloth.



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He says that the interaction with Francesco led him to develop winning sails. With the tools available in **AzureProject** he was able to create the desired shape and achieve excellent results - **Vedran won the silver medal at the Europeans!**

Congratulations Vedran, and good luck in your next race!

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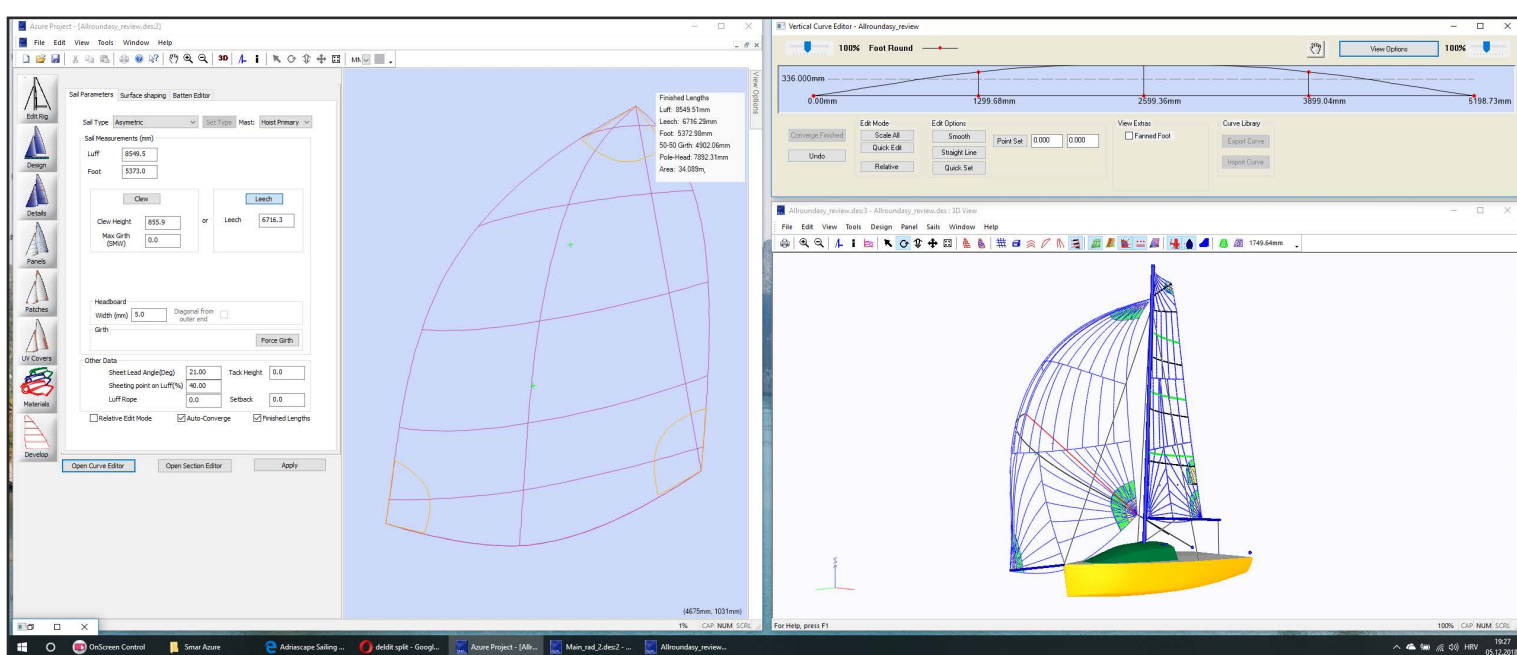
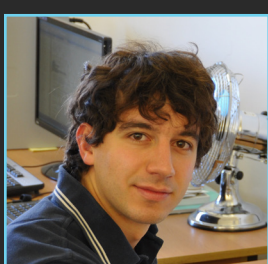
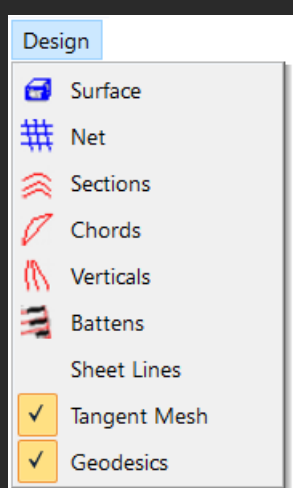


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**FRANCESCO'S CORNER: AZURE PROJECT TIPS**  
**HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR DESIGNS USING THE TANGENT MESH AND GEODESIC LINES**

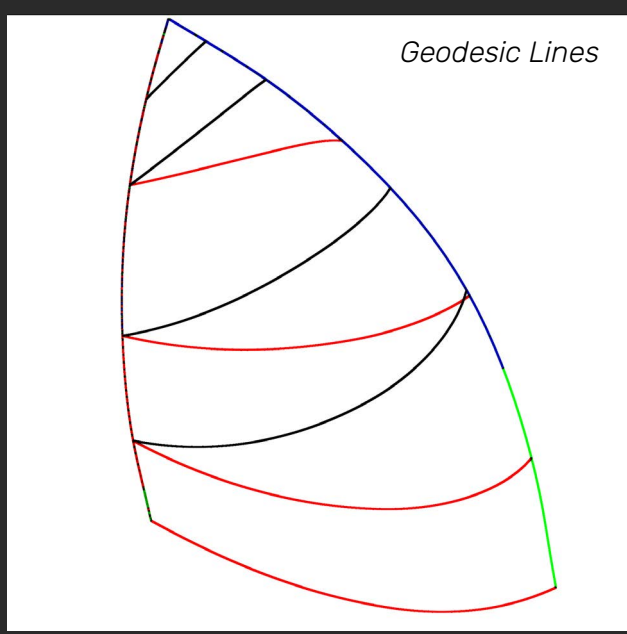
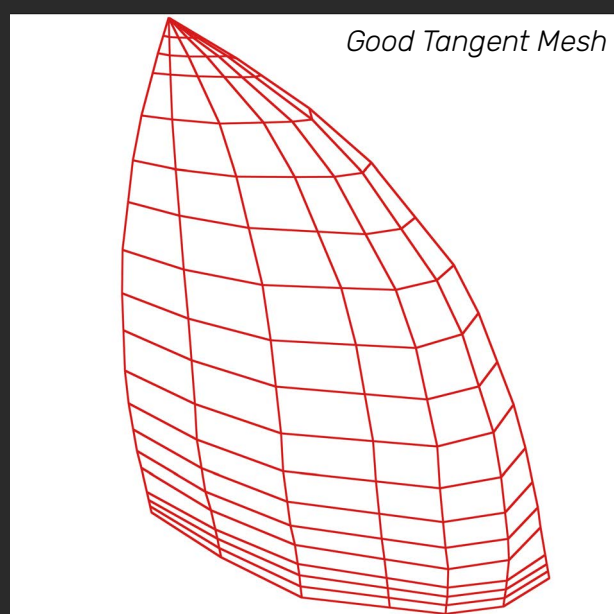
You will find the **tangent mesh** and **geodesic lines** in the the design menu in the 3D window toolbar. These tools are key to check the sail shape and of **particular use for spinnaker design** and other sails with lots of shape.



**WHAT DOES THE TANGENT MESH DO?**

The tangent mesh is a great tool to assist in getting a smooth sail shape: subtle errors in the sail surface design are easily found and can then be corrected.

The more **regular** the tangent mesh, the **smoother** the result will be. Handle lengths are used to refine the horizontal uniformity of the mesh, while camber, entry and exit angles are used to ensure a smooth surface.



**HOW DO THE GEODESIC LINES HELP?**

A **geodesic line** is the shortest path connecting two points on a surface. The geodesic lines shown on the sail are connecting the corner of the sails and the measurement points on the leech. When designing a symmetric or asymmetric spinnaker it is **useful to check the geodesic lines along the luff and leech to ensure they run on the edge of the sail and not inside the surface, to avoid instability**. Custom measurements are visible together with the other geodesic lines and allows to check the correct placement of the measurement points.

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