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Geometrical Aspects Of kksamurai Face

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Perhaps readers might find useful my quick preliminary workup on the geometry of the area around the new kksamurai Face, which I've been working on since Terry James first announced it a few weeks ago.

The work on my page is done freehand at present, and is still in progress, but what it seems to show is a possible heptagonal nature to the crater around the Face, with the straight shadow line Nathan mentions being parallel to one of the heptagon walls.

Another line of the heptagon also has a parallel orientation with a line coming off the shadow line, possibly indicating that the Face area is part of a polygon nested within another figure, with some sides parallel. See my page on it at:

<http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Dreamworld/3913/heptagon.html>

I understand what some have been saying about the geometric nature of basaltic uprising. However, from the examples I've seen, features such as the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland which exhibit the phenomena have a much smaller size than any that would be visible on Mars images, and are only roughly hexagonal, some being pentagonal and others being random polygons. In my work on the Albertane area of Cydonia:

<http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Dreamworld/3913/albertane.html>

I have found a network that is perfectly gridded, with lines that not only are perfectly parallel but perfectly perpendicular. I would be happy to receive leads on geological sites on Earth that fit the same criteria, and which are on anything remotely resembling that scale.

The beauty of this Face is that one doesn't need to go through sophisticated work on it to get an image. Running it through the photo editing program that most printers or PCs come with these days and simply adjusting the contrast brings it out. While one side is still somewhat shadowed, the features are still strongly structured within the shadows, and quite appropriate for a human face. Robert Shepherd has just made a census of the available images of the kksamurai Face (though I don't agree with his conclusions) at:

<http://universe.magnificent.com/sol/mars/newface/> .

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