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# CS686: Proximity Queries

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# Presentation Guideline: Expectations

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- **Good summary, not full detail, of the paper**
  - **Just 15 min for the talk + quiz**
  - **Talk about motivations of the work**
  - **Give a broad background on the related work**
  - **Explain main idea and results of the paper**
  - **Discuss strengths and weaknesses of the method**

# High-Level Ideas

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- **Deliver most important ideas and results**
  - Do not talk about minor details
  - Give enough background instead
- **Spend most time to figure out the most important things and prepare good slides for them**
  - **If possible, re-use existing slides/videos with acknowledgement**

# Overall Structure

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- **Prepare an overview slide**
  - **Talk about most important things and connect them well**

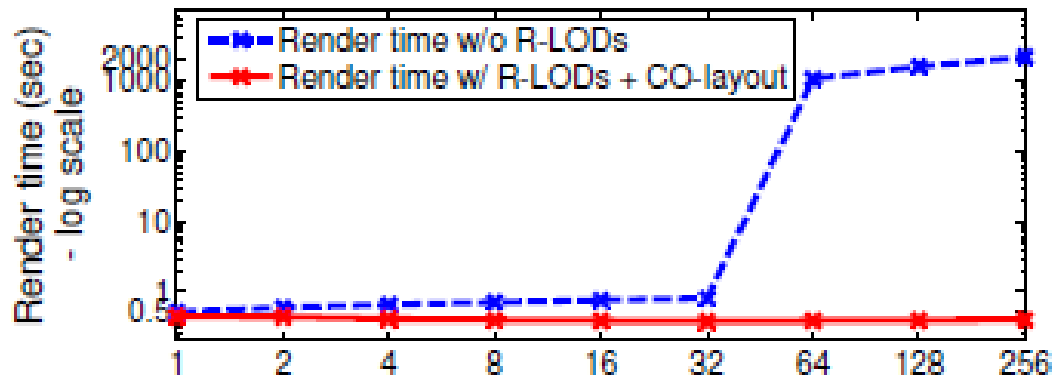
# Be Honest

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- **Do not skip important ideas that you don't know**
  - **Explain as much as you know and mention that you don't understand some parts**
- **If you get questions you don't know good answers, just say it**
  - **In the end, you need to explain them before the semester ends through KLMS**

# Result Presentation

- Give full experiment settings and present data with the related information



- After showing the data, give a message that we can pull of the data
- Show images/videos, if there are

# Prepare a Quiz

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- **Give two simple questions to draw attentions**
  - **Ask a keyword**
  - **Simple true or false questions**
  - **Multiple choice questions**
- **Grade them in the scale of 0 and 10, and send the score to TA**

# Audience feedback form

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<https://forms.gle/tDCDNIJWXNWWQBC56>

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**Date:**

**Talk title:**

**Speaker:**

**A. Was the talk well organized and well prepared?**

**5: Excellent      4: good      3: okay      2: less than average      1: poor**

**B. Was the talk comprehensible? How well were important concepts covered?**

**5: Excellent      4: good      3: okay      2: less than average      1: poor**

**Any comments to the speaker**

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# Science Robotics

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RESEARCH ARTICLE | BY RACHEL BEATTY, KEEGAN L. MENDEZ, ET AL.

**Soft robot-mediated autonomous adaptation to fibrotic capsule formation for improved drug delivery**

RESEARCH ARTICLE | BY DAVID A. HAGGERTY, MICHAEL J. BANKS, ET AL.

**Control of soft robots with inertial dynamics**

RESEARCH ARTICLE | BY DANIEL BRUDER, MORITZ A. GRAULE, ET AL.

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Categories > Engineering & Computer Science > Robotics ▾

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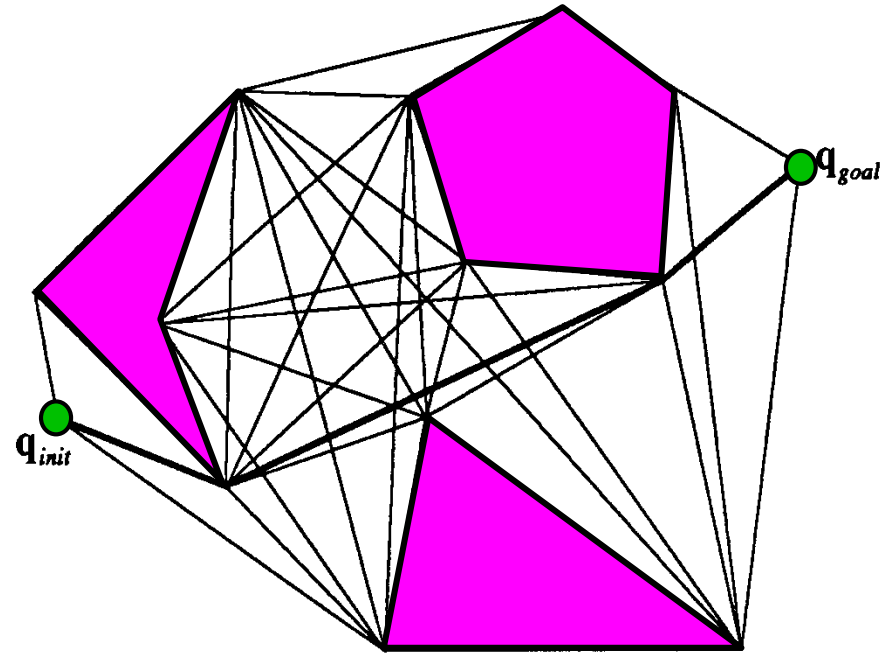
# Class Objectives (Ch. 4)

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- **Understand collision detection and distance computation**
  - **Bounding volume hierarchies**
- **Handle point clouds**
  - **Occupancy map**
  
- **Last time:**
  - **C-obstacle construction using Minkowski sum**
  - **Homotopy**

# Two geometric primitives in configuration space

- **CLEAR( $q$ )**  
Is configuration  $q$  collision free or not?
- **LINK( $q, q'$ )**  
Is the straight-line path between  $q$  and  $q'$  collision-free?



# Problem

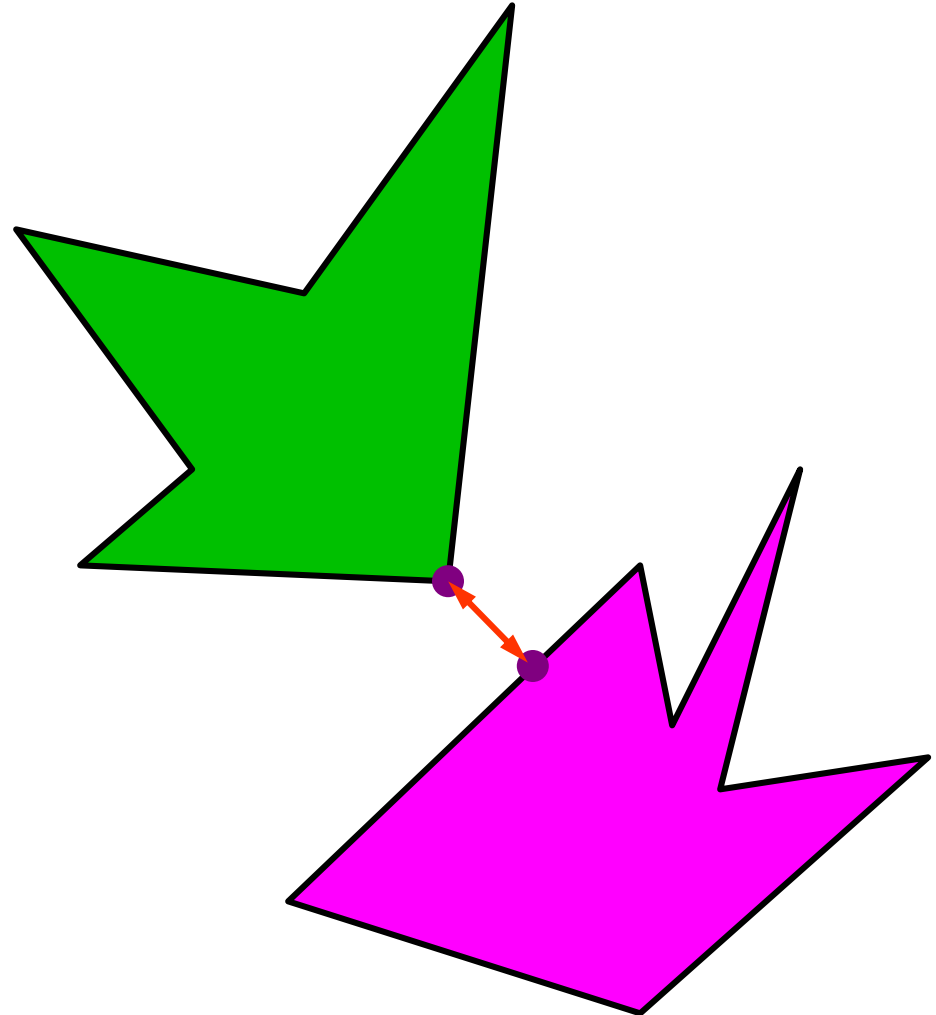
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- **Input: two objects  $A$  and  $B$**
  - **Output:**
    - **Distance computation: compute the distance (in the **workspace**) between  $A$  and  $B$**
- OR
- **Collision detection: determine whether  $A$  and  $B$  collide or not**

# Collision detection vs. distance computation

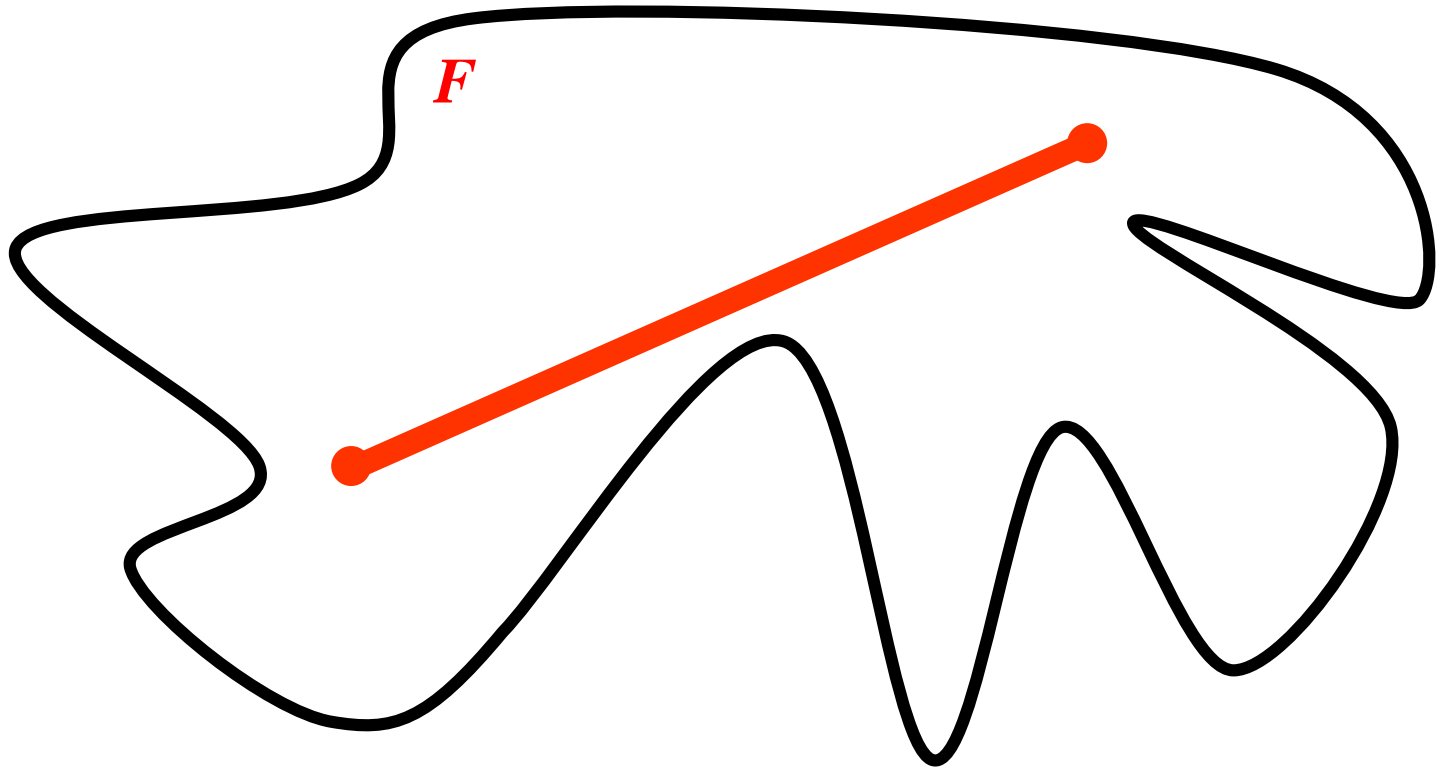
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- **The distance between two objects (in the workspace) is the distance between the two closest points on the respective objects**
- **Collision if and only if distance = 0**



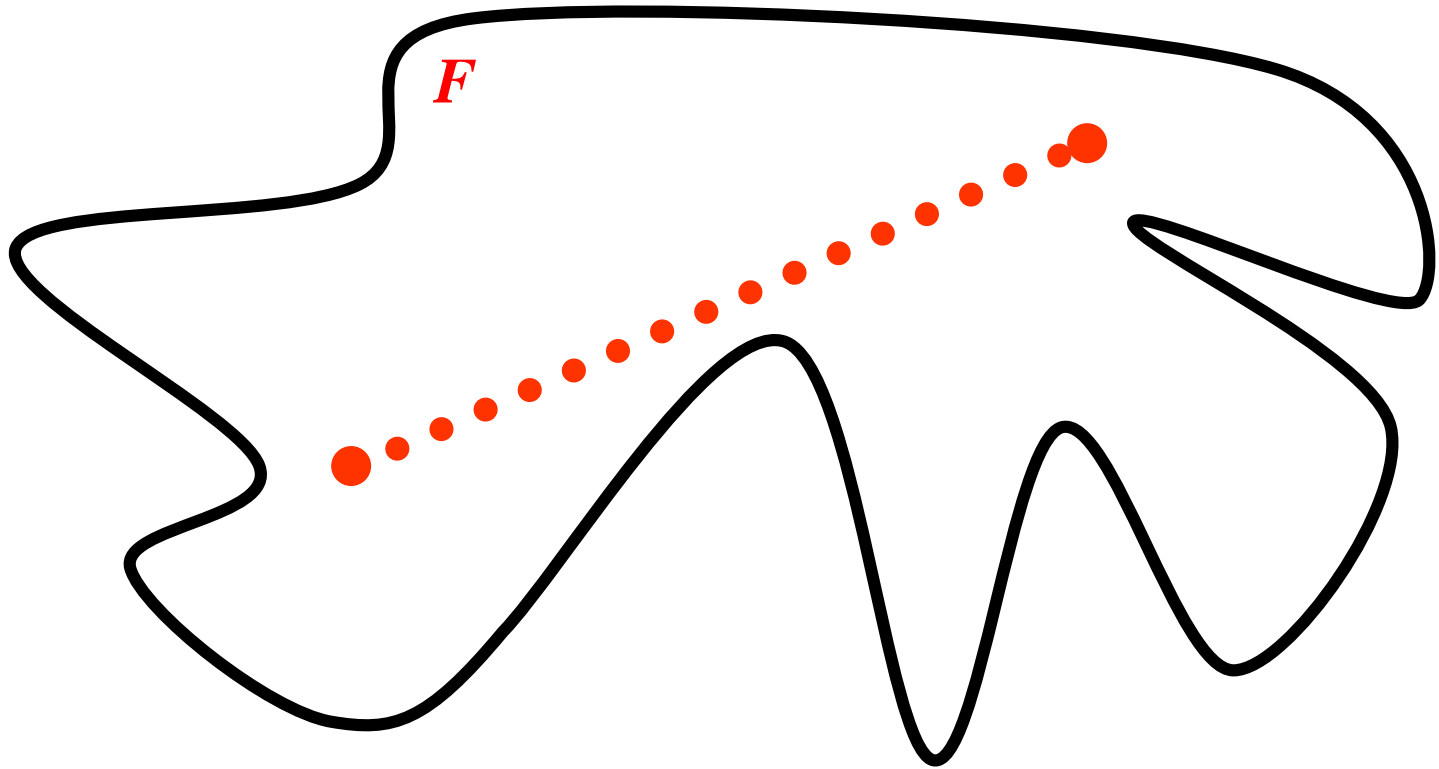
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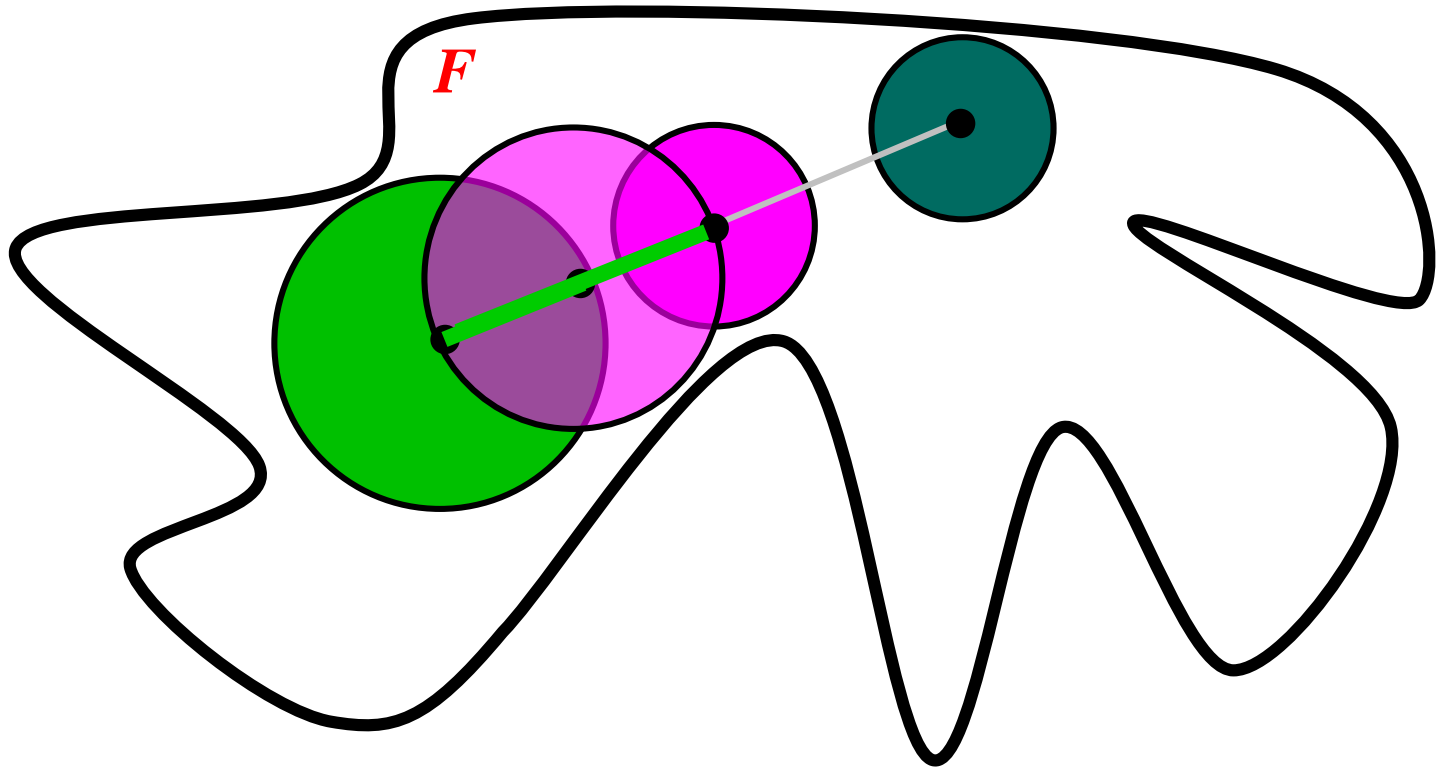


Discrete collision checks



# Use distance to check for free path rigorously

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# Use distance to check for free path rigorously

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Link( $q_0, q_1$ )

1: if  $q_0 \in N(q_1)$  or  $q_1 \in N(q_0)$

2: then

3:     return TRUE.

4: else

5:      $q' = (q_0 + q_1) / 2$ .

6:     if  $q'$  is in collision

7:     then

8:         return FALSE

9:     else

10:         return Link( $q_0, q'$ ) && Link( $q_1, q'$ )

# Applications

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- **Robotics**
  - Collision avoidance
  - Path planning
- **Graphics & virtual environment simulation**
- **Haptics**
  - Collision detection
  - Force proportional to distance



# Collision Detection

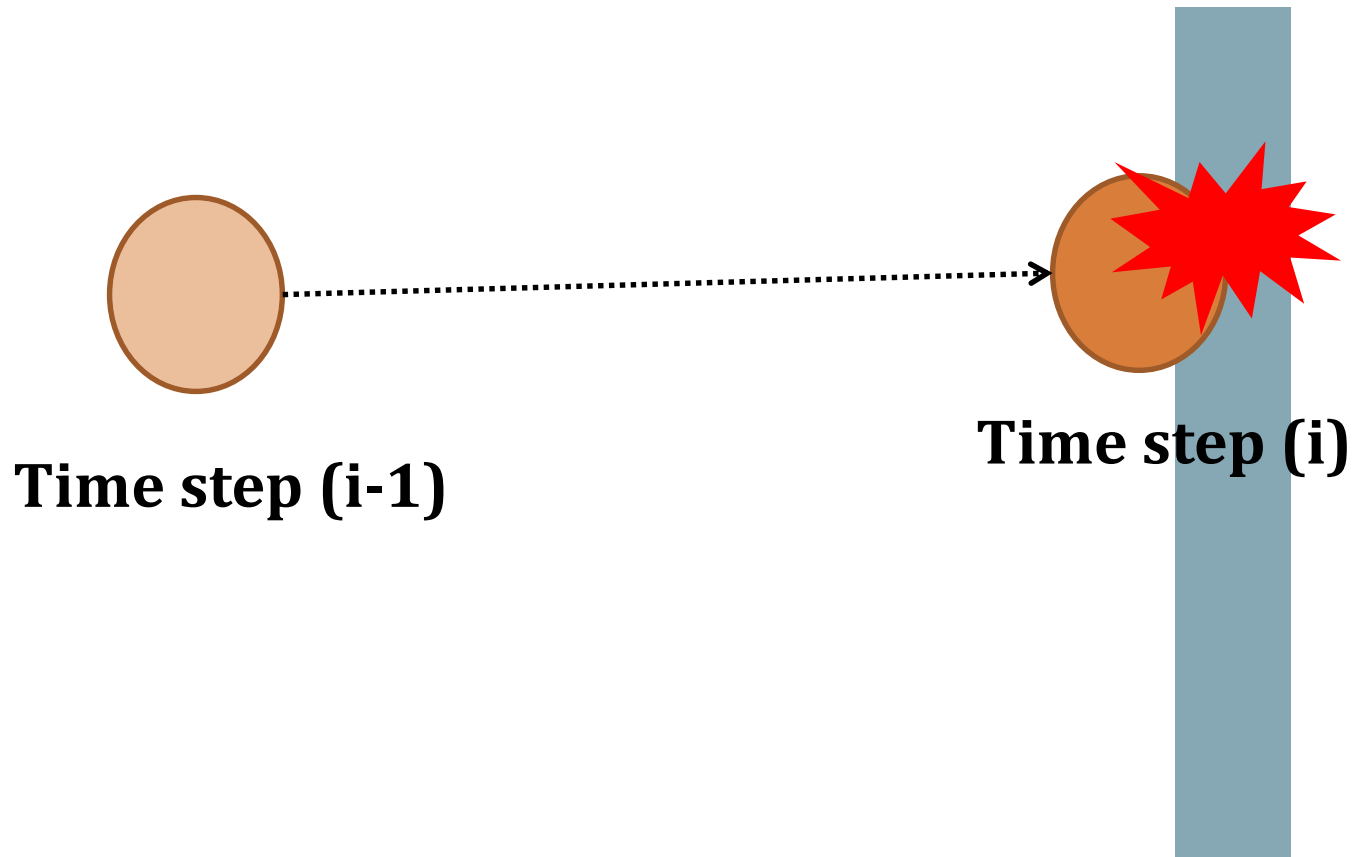
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- **Discrete collision detection**
- **Continuous collision detection**

# Discrete VS Continuous

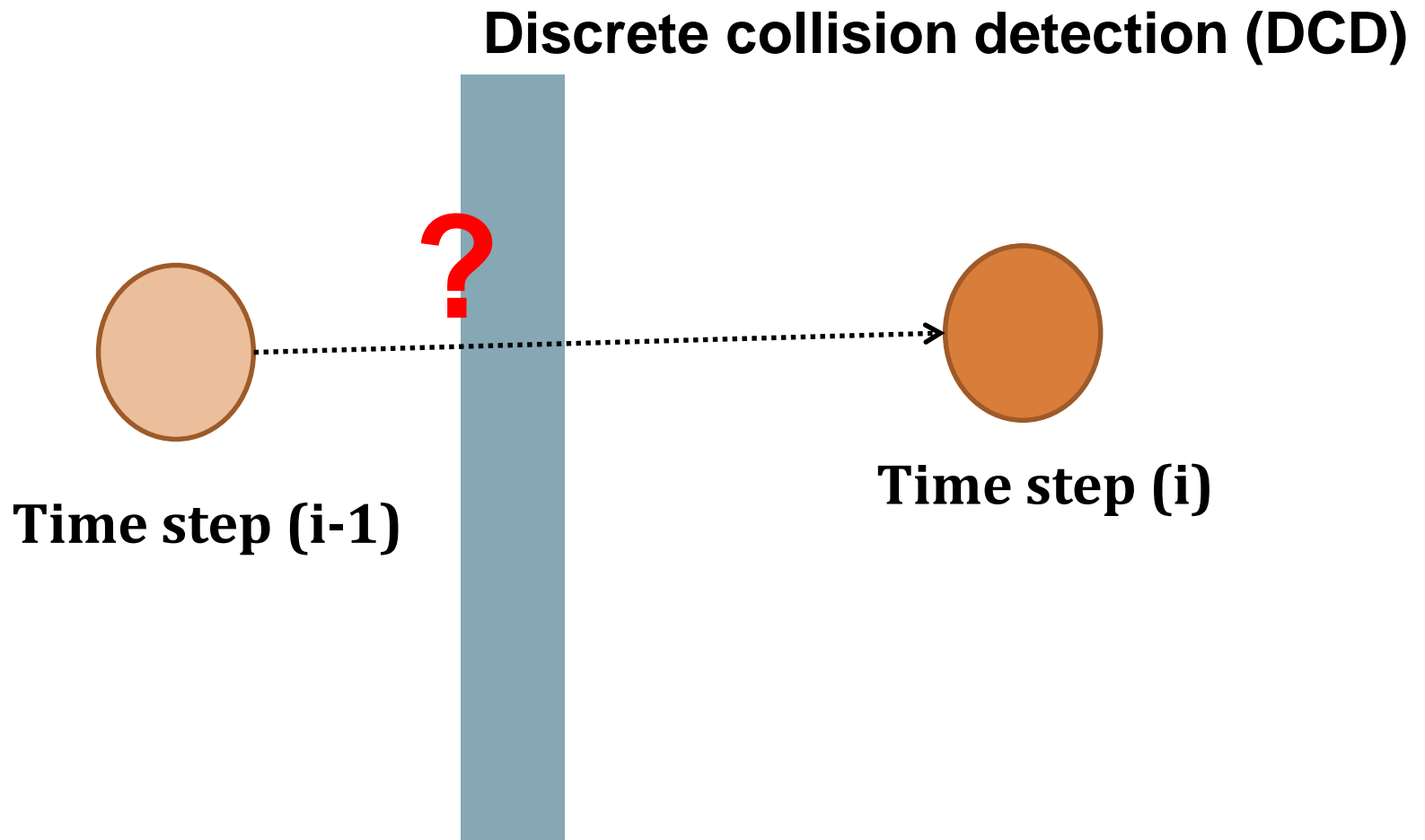
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## Discrete collision detection (DCD)



# Discrete VS Continuous

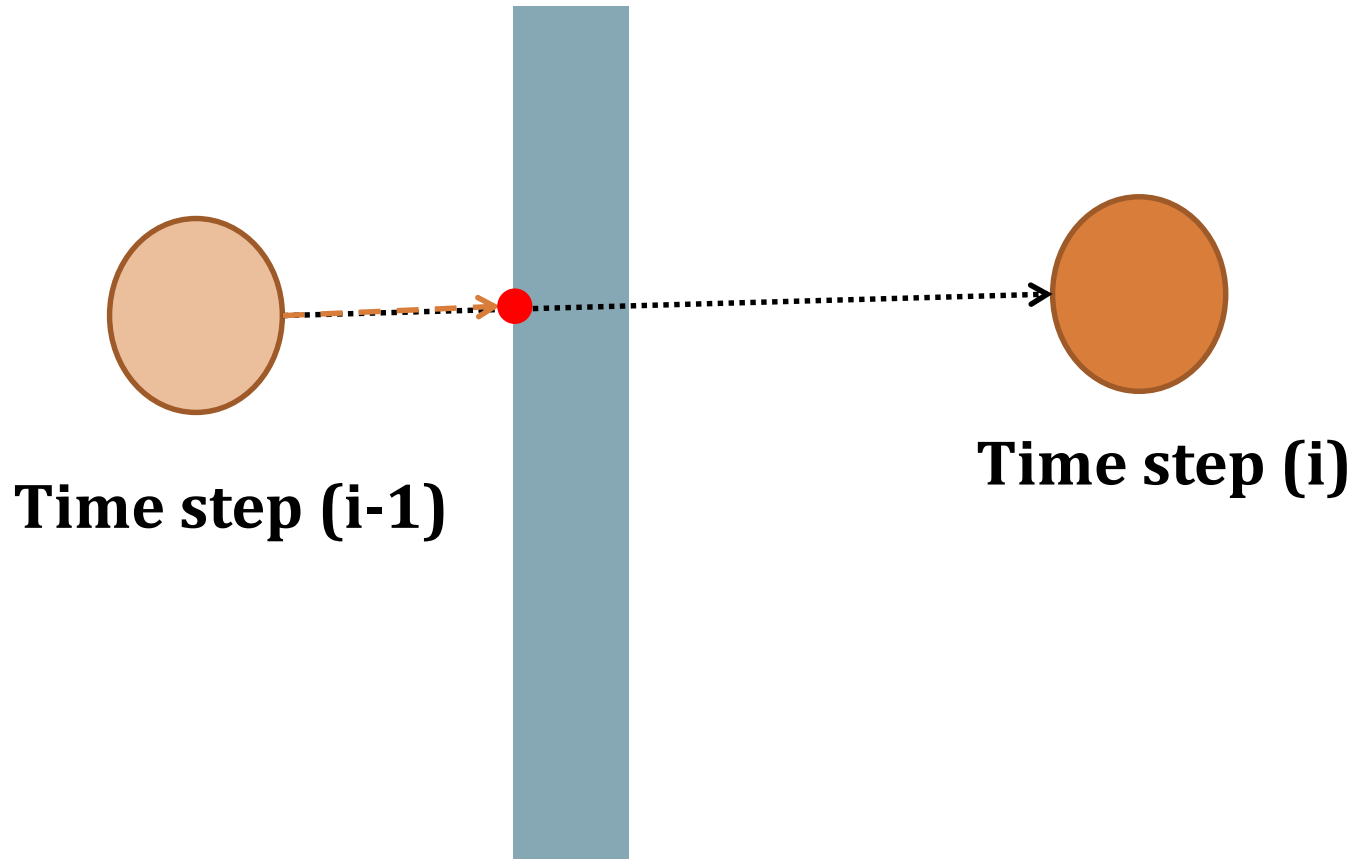
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# Discrete VS Continuous

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Continuous collision detection(CCD)



# Discrete VS Continuous

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	Continuous CD	Discrete CD
Accuracy	Accurate	May miss some collisions
Computation time	Slow	Fast



# Collision Detection

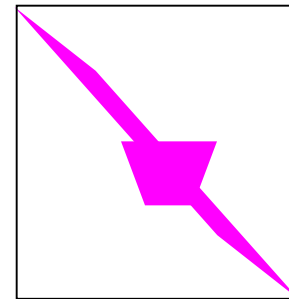
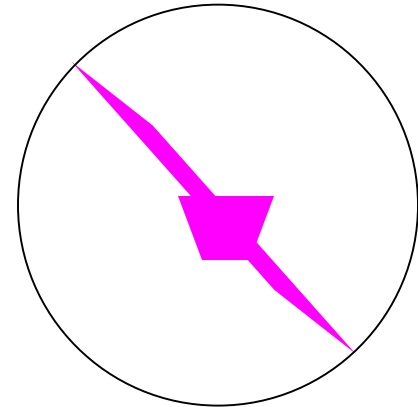
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- **Discrete collision detection**
- **Continuous collision detection**
  
- **These are typically accelerated by bounding volume hierarchies (BVHs)**

# Bounding Volumes

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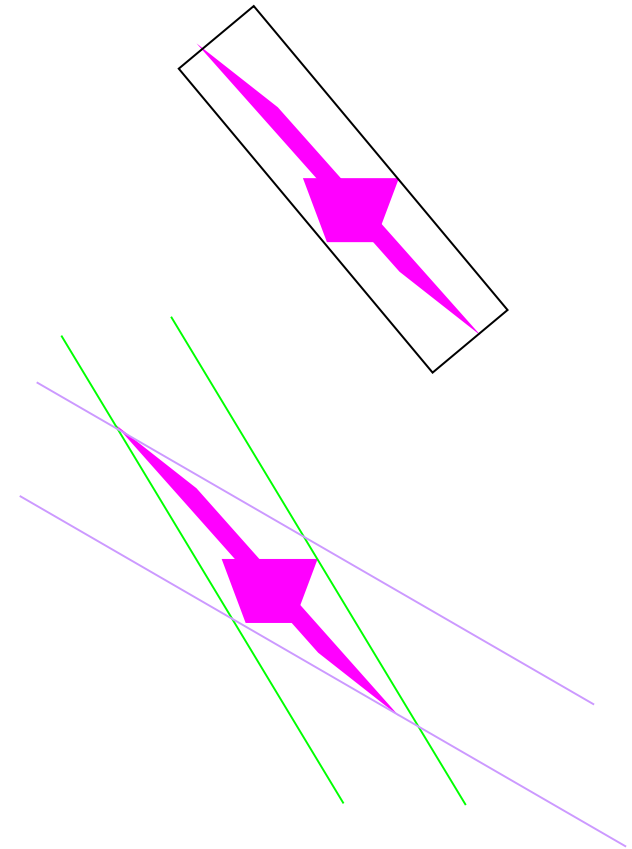
- **Sphere [Whitted80]**
  - Cheap to compute
  - Cheap test
  - Potentially very bad fit
- **Axis-aligned bounding box**
  - Very cheap to compute
  - Cheap test
  - Tighter than sphere



# Bounding Volumes

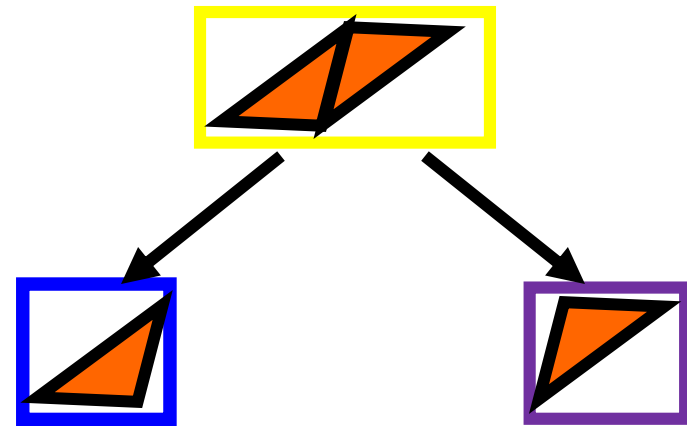
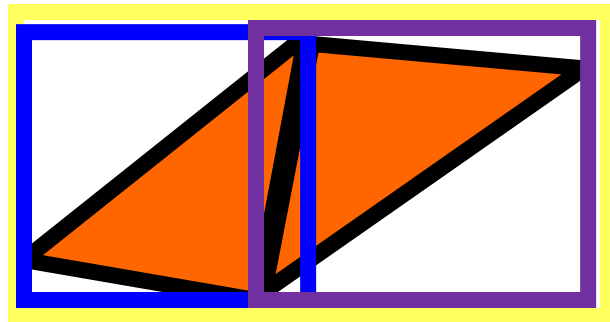
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- **Oriented bounding box**
  - Fairly cheap to compute
  - Fairly cheap test
  - Generally fairly tight
- **Slabs / K-dops**
  - More expensive to compute
  - Fairly cheap test
  - Can be tighter than OBB



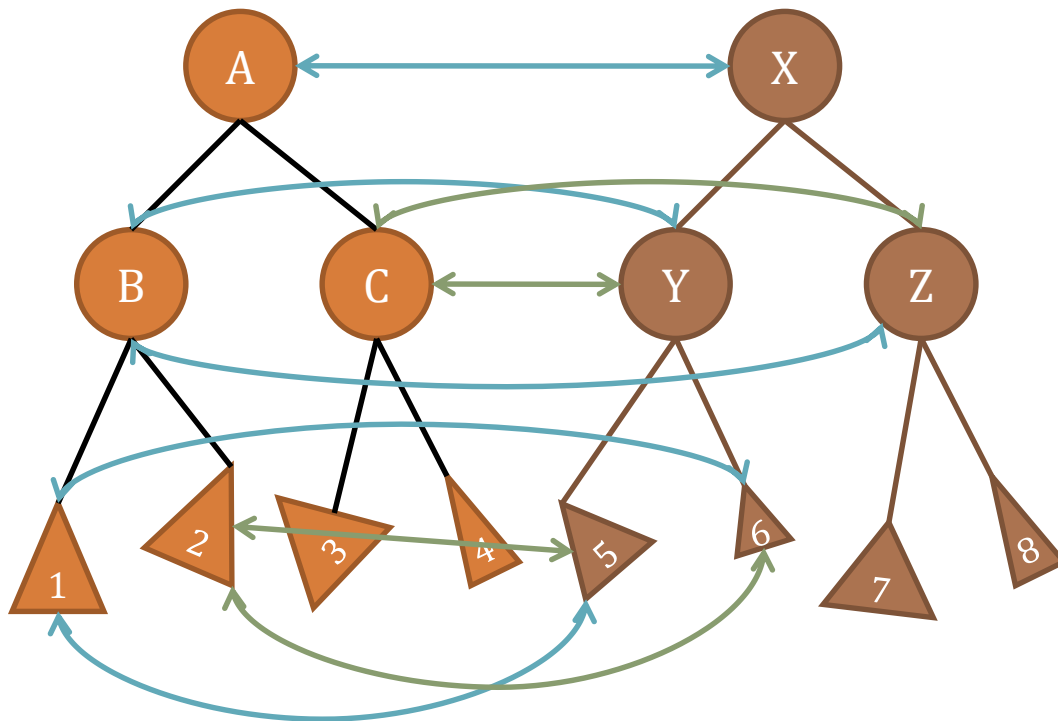
# Bounding Volume Hierarchies (BVHs)

- Organize bounding volumes recursively as a tree
- Construct BVHs in a top-down manner
  - Use median-based partitioning or other advanced partitioning methods

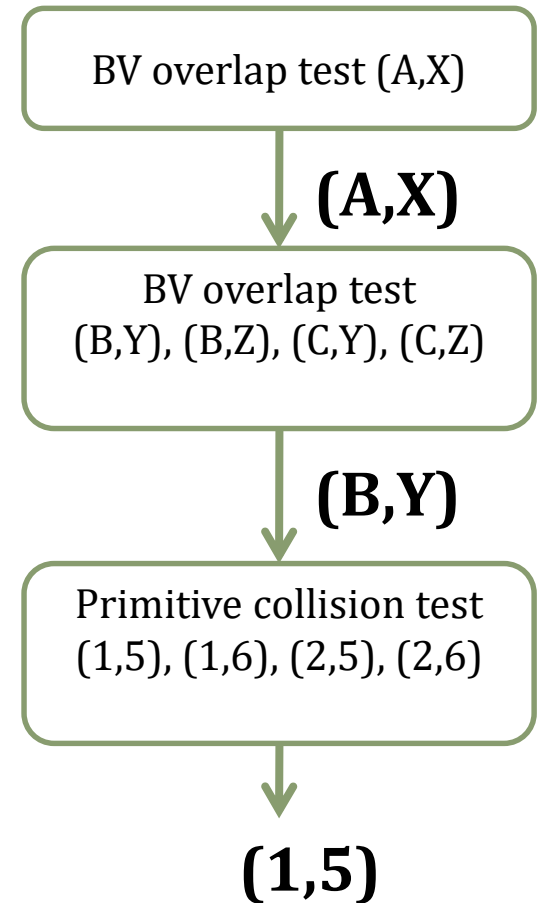


A BVH

# Collision Detection with BVHs



**Triangle 1 and 5 have a collision!**



From Duksu's slides

# Test-Of-Time 2006 Award

## High-Performance Graphics 2015

Los Angeles, August 7–9, 2015

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## RT-DEFORM: Interactive Ray Tracing of Dynamic Scenes using BVHs

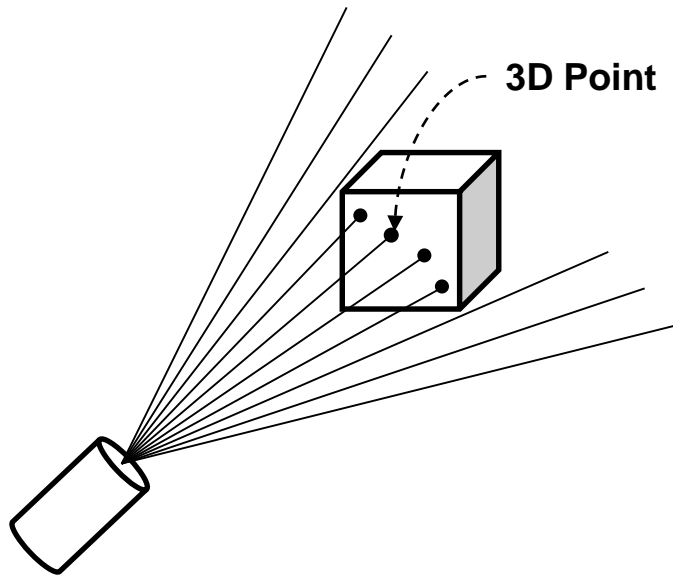
Christian Lauterbach, **Sung-eui Yoon**, David Tuft,  
Dinesh Manocha

IEEE Interactive Ray Tracing, 2006

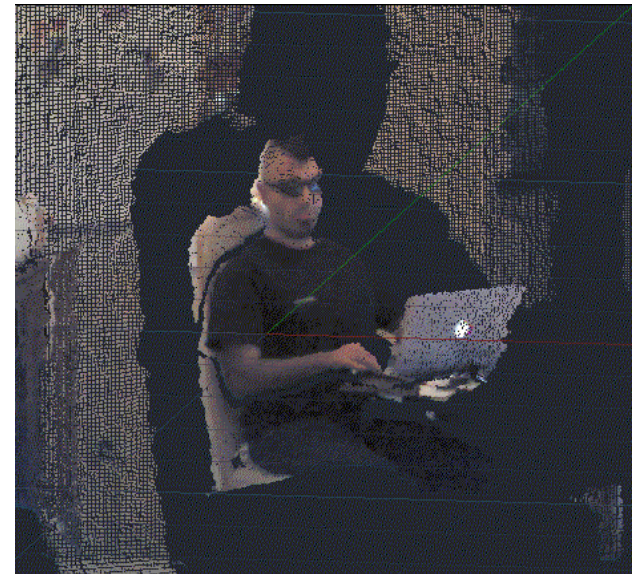


# 3D Sensor & Point Cloud Data

- **3D sensor generates excessive amount of points with some noise periodically**
  - **300K points / 30FPS with Kinect**



**3D Sensor Model**



**Point Cloud Data**

# Sensor-based Path Planning

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- Navigation using 3D depth sensor

## Real-Time Navigation in 3D Environments Based on Depth Camera Data

Daniel Maier    Armin Hornung    Maren Bennewitz

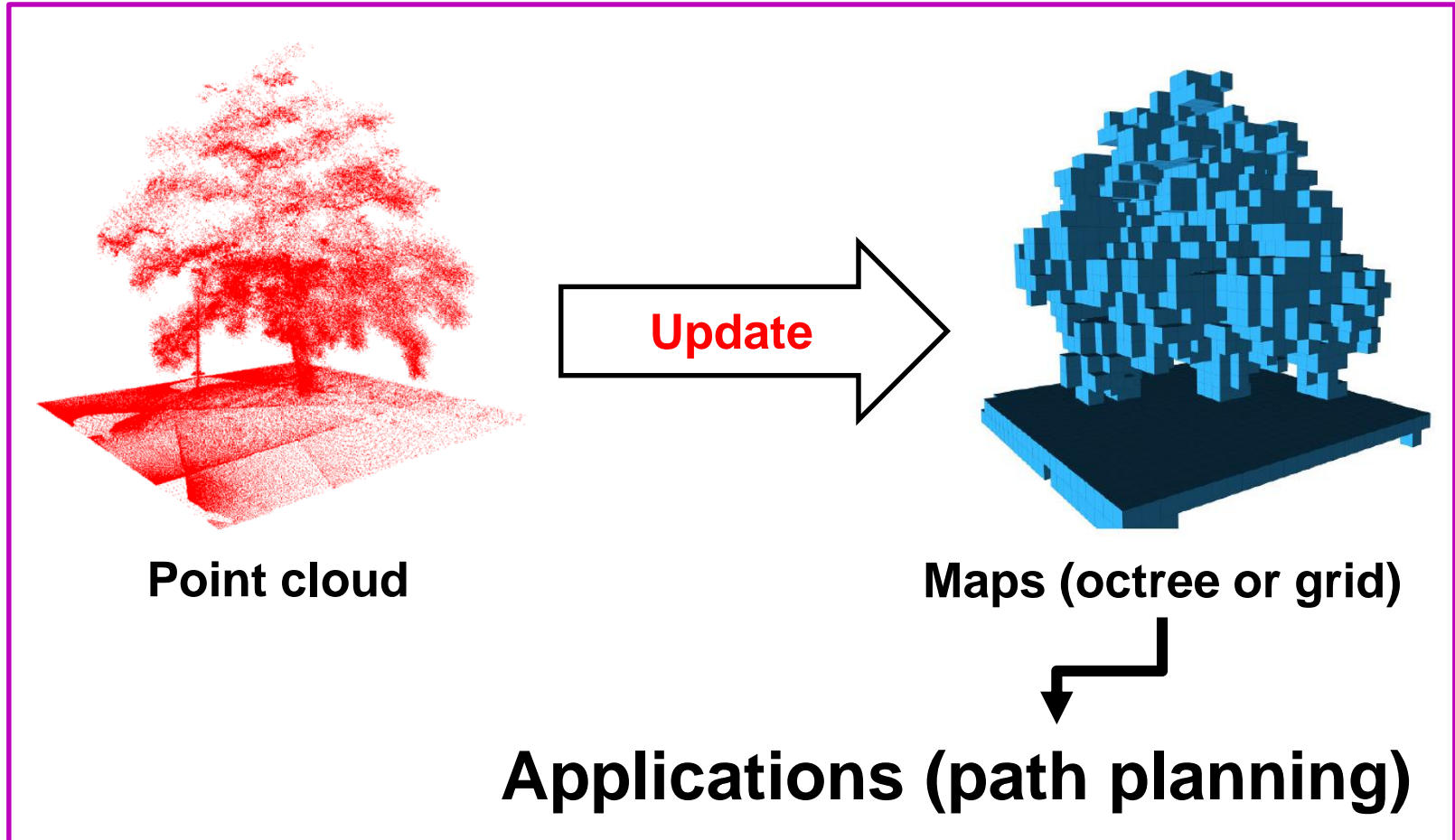
Humanoid Robots Laboratory, University of Freiburg



Video

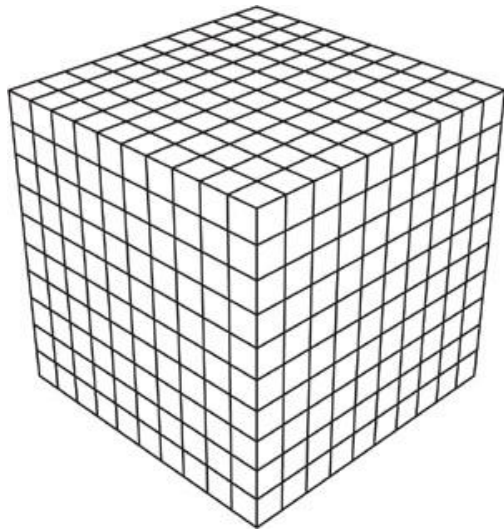


# General Flow of Using Point Clouds

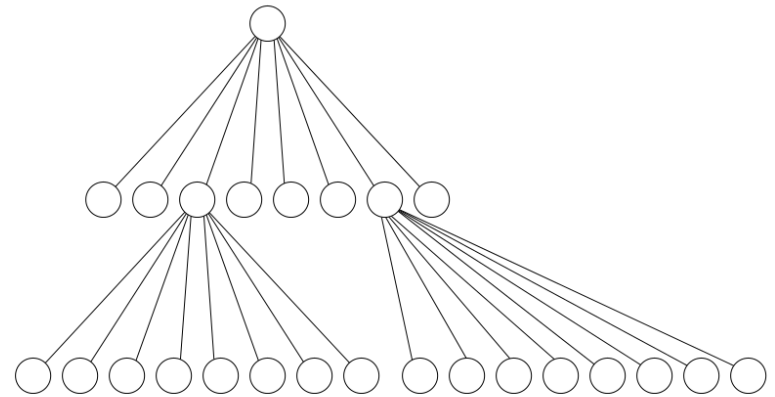
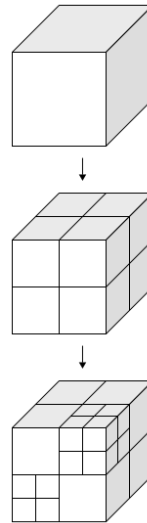


# Map Representations

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**3D Grid Map**



**Octree Data Structure**

# Occupancy Map Representation

- **OctoMap [Wurm et al., *ICRA, 2010* ]**
  - **Encode an occupancy probability of cell  $n$  given measurement  $z_{1:t}$**

$$L(n | z_{1:t}) = L(n | z_{1:t-1}) + L(n | z_t)$$

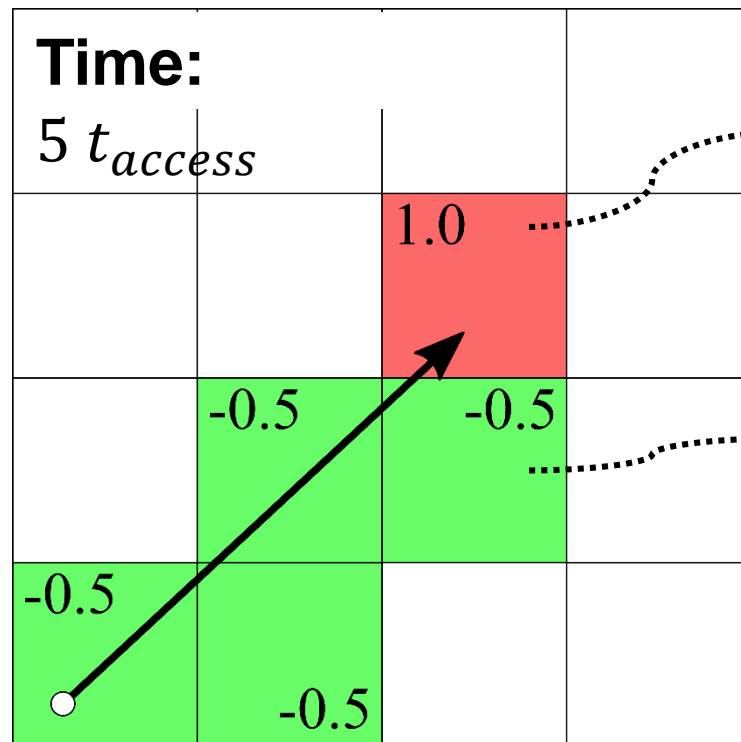
Occupancy probability of the  
cell  $n$  at time step  $t - 1$

New sensor measurement  $z_t$   
to be updated at time step  $t$

$$L(n | z_t) = \begin{cases} l_{occ} & \text{occupied state} \\ l_{free} & \text{free state} \end{cases}$$

# Update Method

- Traverse and update cells
  - Bresenham algorithm [Amanatides et al., *Eurographics, 1987*]



**Updated cell to occupied state**

$$L(n | z_t) = l_{occ} = 1.0$$



**Updated cell to free state**

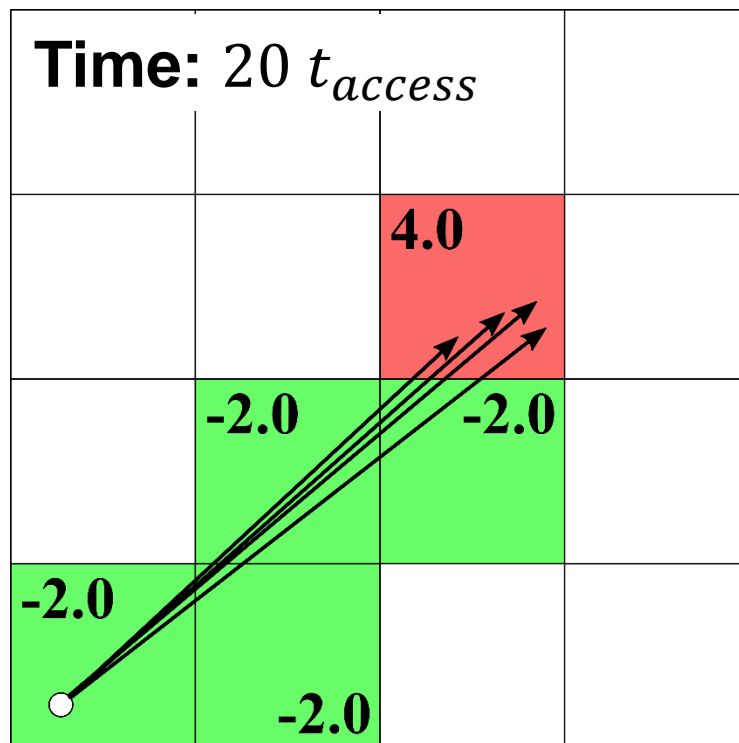
$$L(n | z_t) = l_{free} = -0.5$$



$t_{access}$ : time to update a cell

# Update Method

- Traverse and update cells
  - Bresenham algorithm [Amanatides et al., *Eurographics, 1987*]
  - Can be very slow, with many points



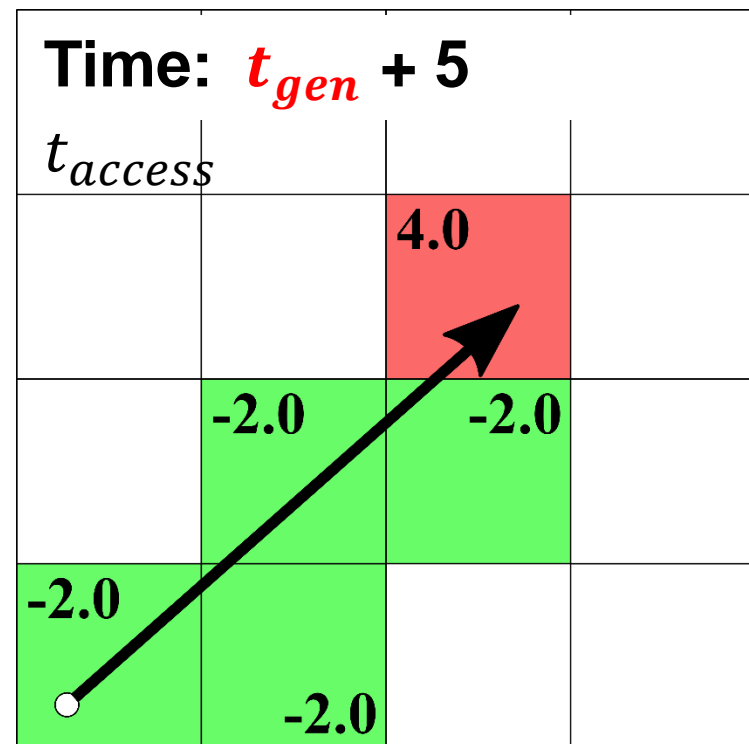
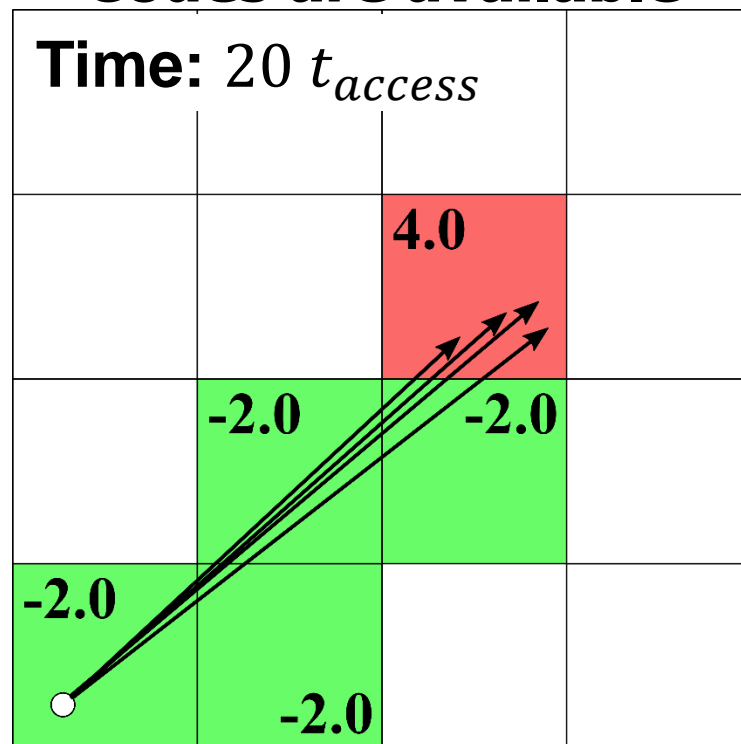
- Visit **the same cells multiple times** for multiple rays

$t_{access}$ : time to update a cell

# Super Rays [Kwon et al., ICRA16]

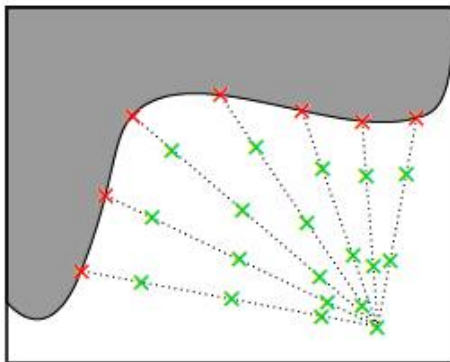
- **Benefits of our approach**

- **Faster performance with the same representation accuracy**
- **Codes are available**

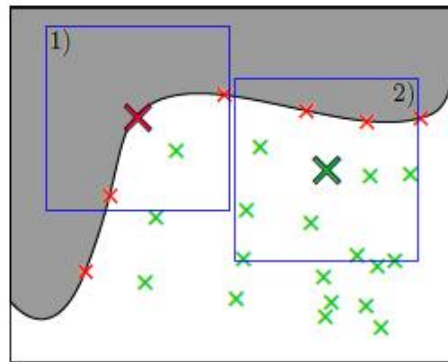


# Learning based Approaches

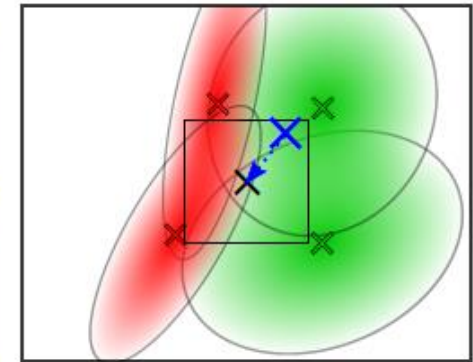
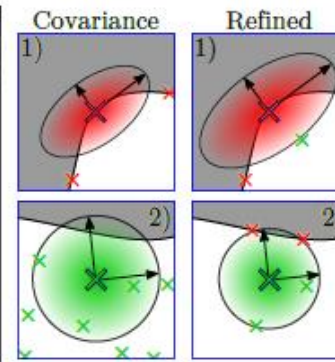
- **Unobserved regions due to occlusion and sensor errors**



(a) Occupancy sampling



(b) Adaptive bandwidth selection

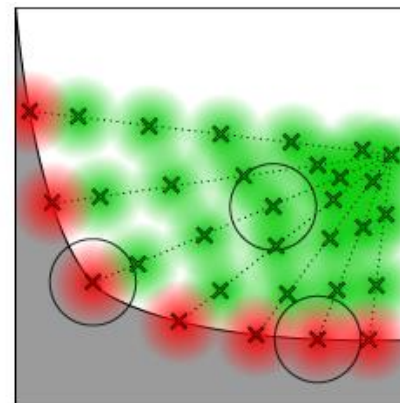


(c) Kernel estimation update

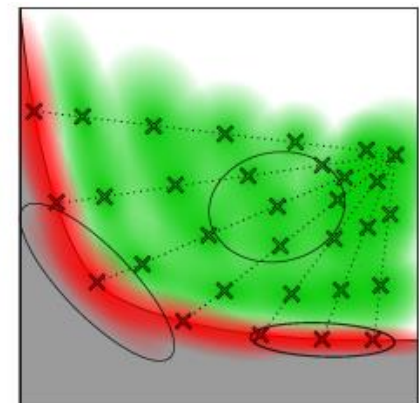
- **Estimate status of such regions based on learning techniques**

- [Kwon et al., IROS 20]

<https://sgvr.kaist.ac.kr/~yskwon/papers/iros20-akimap/>



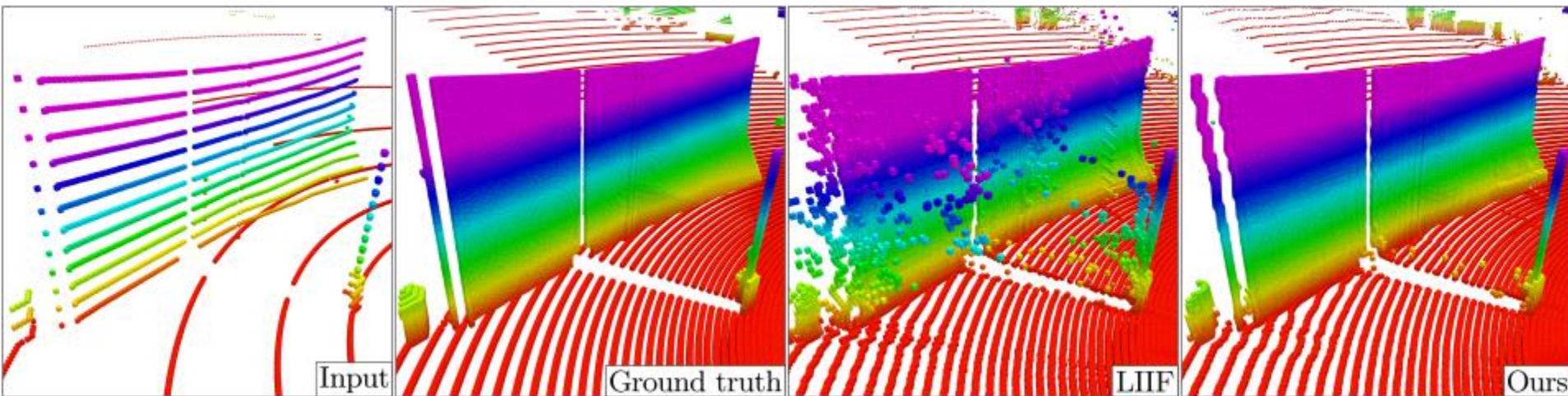
(a) Fixed kernel inference



(b) Adaptive kernel inference

# LiDAR Super-Resolution

- **Implicit LiDAR Network: LiDAR Super-Resolution via Interpolation Weight Prediction, ICRA 22**



<https://sgvr.kaist.ac.kr/~yskwon/papers/icra22-iln/>



# Class Objectives were:

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- **Understand collision detection and distance computation**
  - **Bounding volume hierarchies**
- **Handle point clouds**
  - **Occupancy map**
- **Ch. 4 of my book**

# Next Time...

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- **Probabilistic Roadmaps**

# Homework

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- **Submit summaries of 2 ICRA/IROS/RSS/CoRL/TRO/IJRR papers**
- **Go over the next lecture slides**
- **Come up with two questions before the mid-term exam**