

# Implicit Surfaces, Collision Detection, & Volumetric Data Structures



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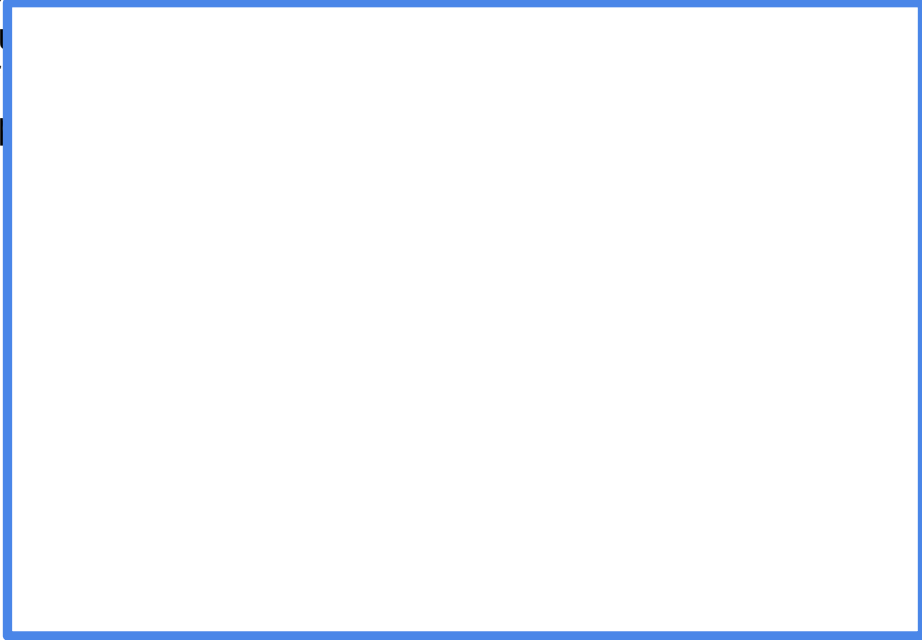
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# Pop Worksheet!

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Sketch the polygonal mesh after performing 2 iterations of  
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## Traveler's Insurance, *Snowball*

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Weta Digital, 2007

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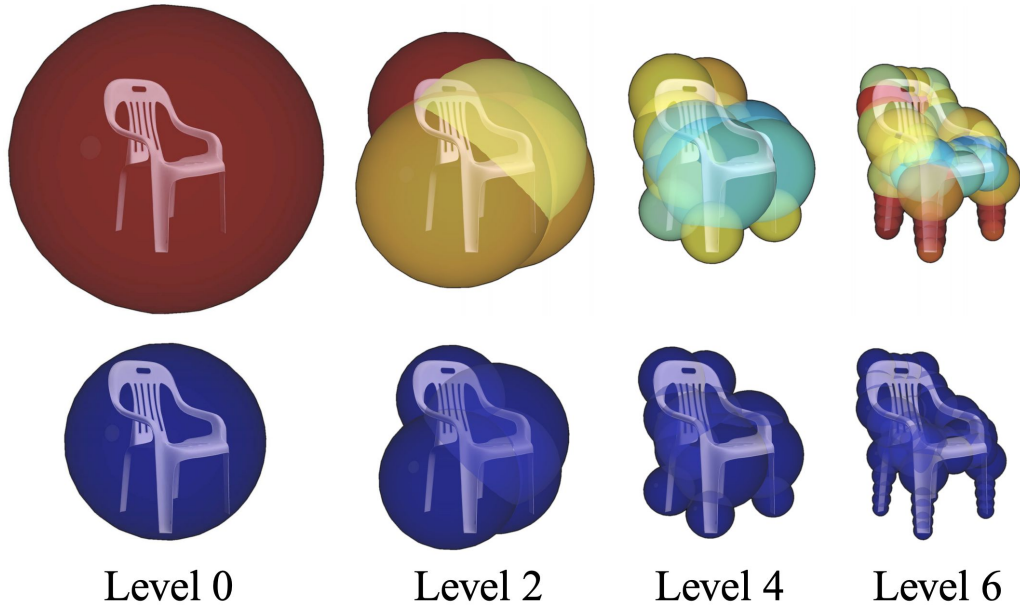
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# Katamari



BANDAI NAMCO Entertainment Inc., 2004-2018

## Output-Sensitive Collision Processing for Reduced-Coordinate Deformable Models



James, Pai, and Twigg, SIGGRAPH 2004

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*Untitled, 1550 chairs stacked, Doris Salcedo, 2003*

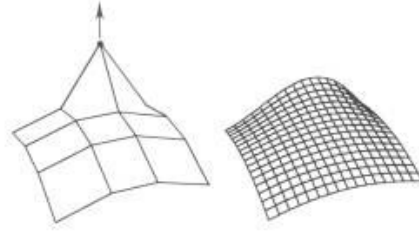


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# Last Time?

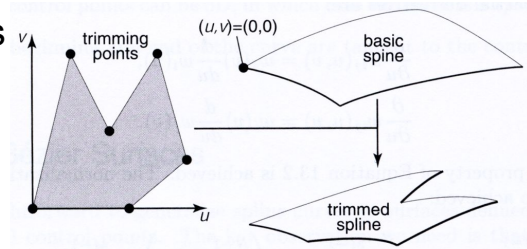
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- Spline Surfaces
  - complex topology is challenging, requires trimming curves

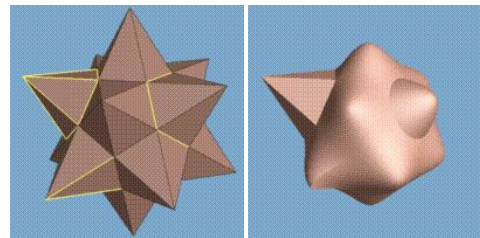
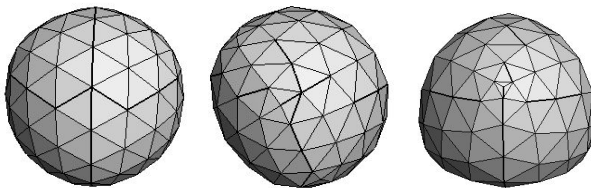


- Subdivision Zoo

- Doo-Sabin
- Loop
- Catmull-Clark



- Subdivision w/ Creases



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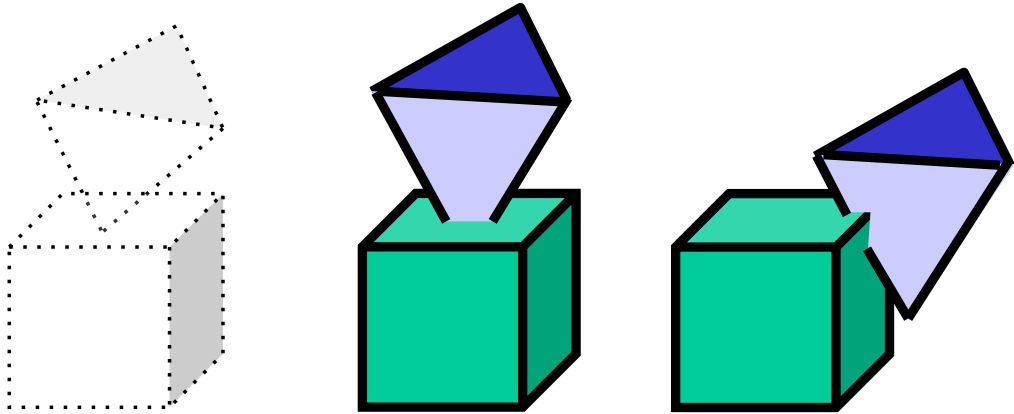
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# Collision Detection for Solids

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- How to detect collision between 2 polyhedra?
- Need an inside/outside test
- Test if a vertex is inside the other polyhedron
- But treat also edge-edge intersection



# Cost of Detection?

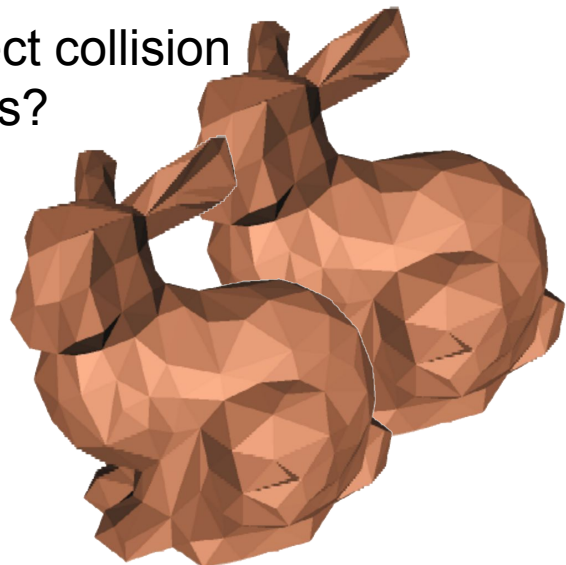
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- Test each edge with each face?

$O(N^2)$

- How would you detect collision between two bunnies?

- $O(N^2)$  is too expensive!
- Let's use a spatial data structure



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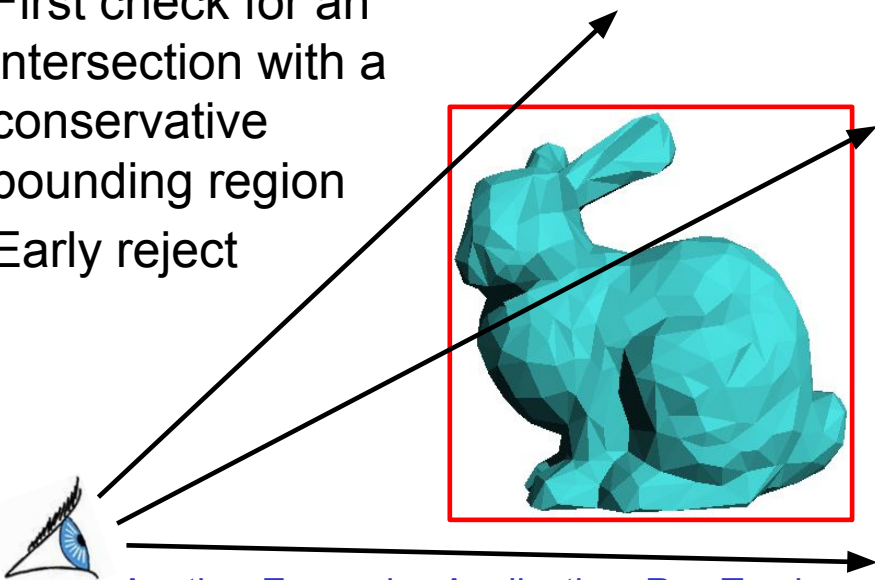
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## Conservative Bounding Region

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- First check for an intersection with a conservative bounding region
- Early reject

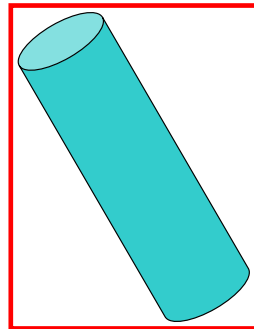
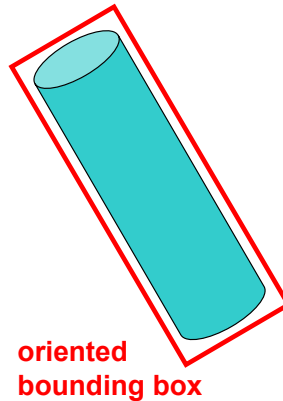


Another Expensive Application: Ray Tracing  
Intersect object & ray... *more later this semester!!*



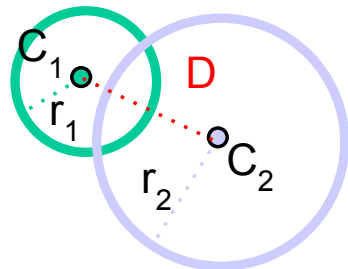
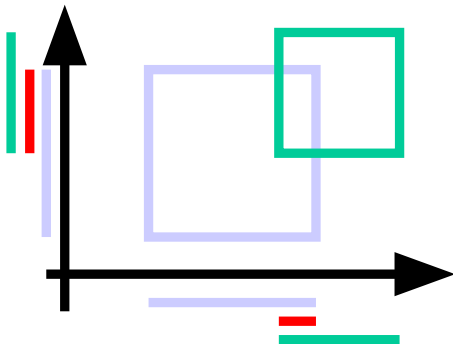
# Conservative Bounding Regions

- tight → avoid false positives
- fast to intersect
- easy/fast/perfect construction  
(*less important*)



# Overlap Test

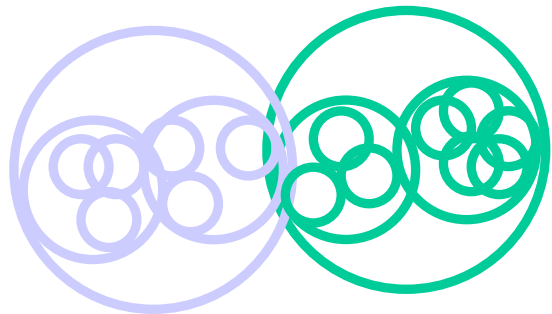
- Overlap between two axis-aligned boxes?
  - Check if the intervals along the 3 dimensions overlap
- Overlap test between two spheres?
  - $D(\text{center}_1, \text{center}_2) < r_1 + r_2$



# General Collision Detection

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- Put a hierarchy around your objects
- Use the fast overlap test recursively
- Handle exact case at the leaves (when necessary)
- More difficult for self-collision (e.g. cloth)
  - Because there is more overlap



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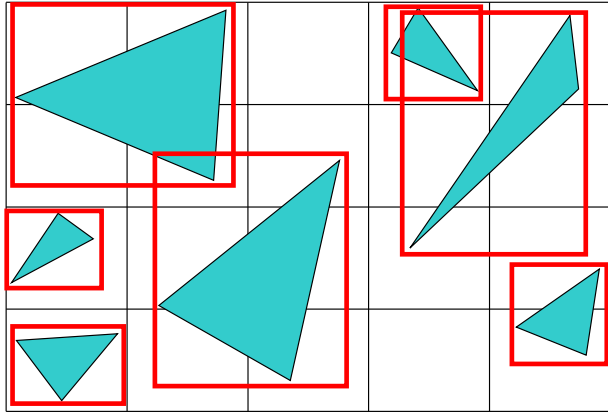
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# Fixed/Uniform/Regular Grid

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- Separate geometry into regions
- Reduces pairwise comparisons
- Primitives that overlap multiple cells?

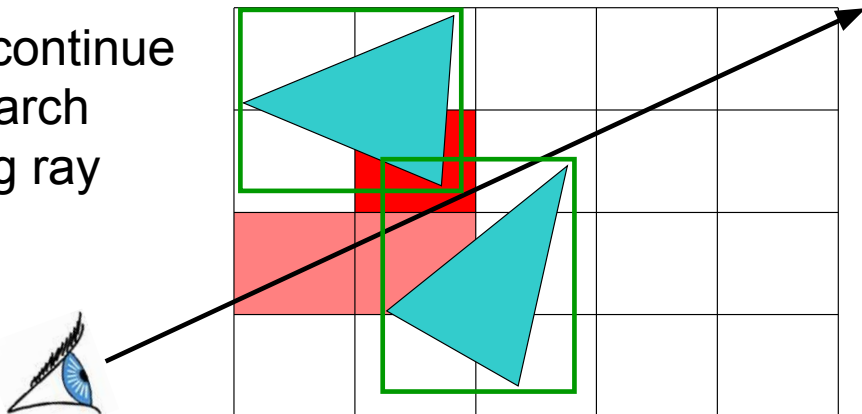
Insert into  
multiple cells  
(use pointers)



# For Each Cell Along a Ray

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- Does the cell contain an intersection?
- Yes: return closest intersection
- No: continue to march along ray



# Fixed/Uniform Grid Discussion

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- Advantages?
  - easy to construct
  - easy to traverse
- Disadvantages?
  - may be only sparsely filled
  - geometry may still be clumped

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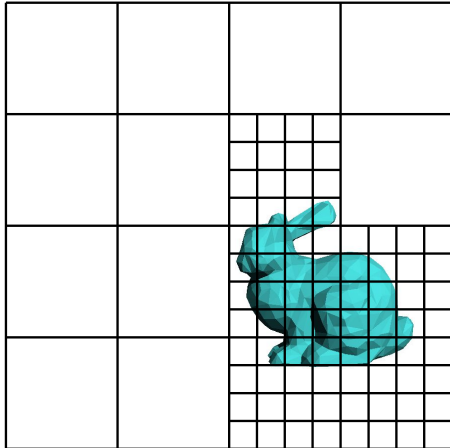
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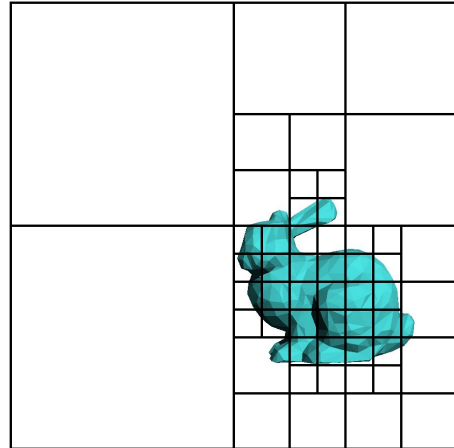
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Nested Grids

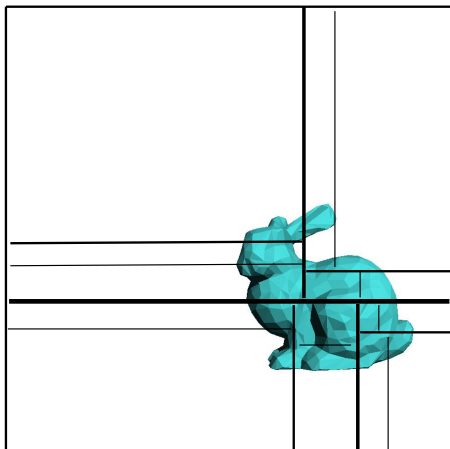


Octree/(Quadtree)

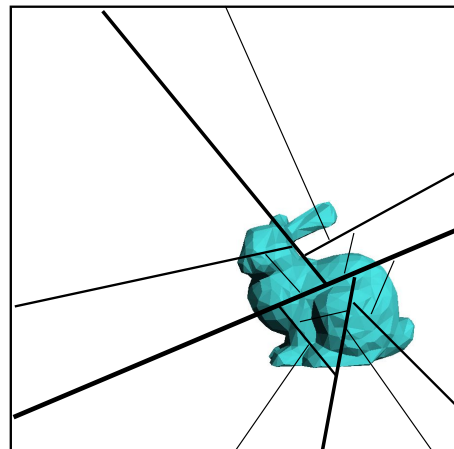
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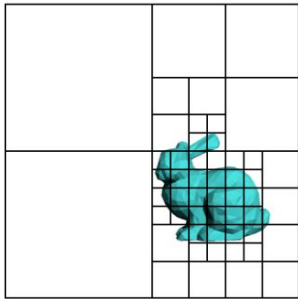
K-D Tree



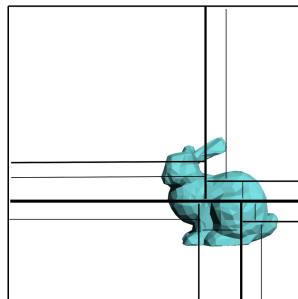
Binary Space Partition (BSP)

# Variations of Adaptive Grids

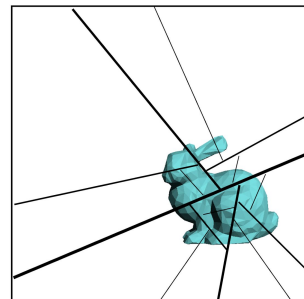
- **When to split?** When a cell contains “lots” of geometry, but has not yet reached the max tree depth
- **Where to split?**
  - Quadtree/Octree: split *every* dimension in half, always axis aligned
  - kd-tree: choose *one* dimension (often the largest dimension) and split it axis aligned (but not necessarily at the midpoint)
  - Binary Space Partition (BSP): choose an *arbitrary* cut plane
- **Which one is best?** *It depends.... Often they are all equally good!*



Quadtree/Octree



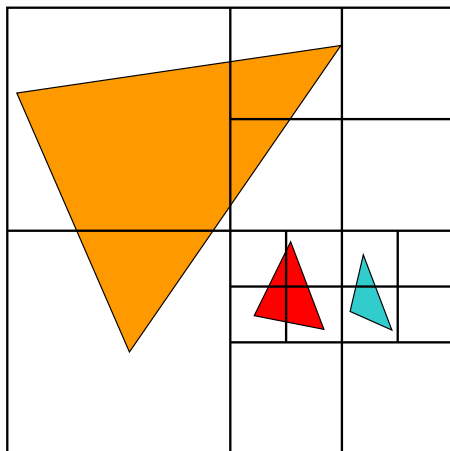
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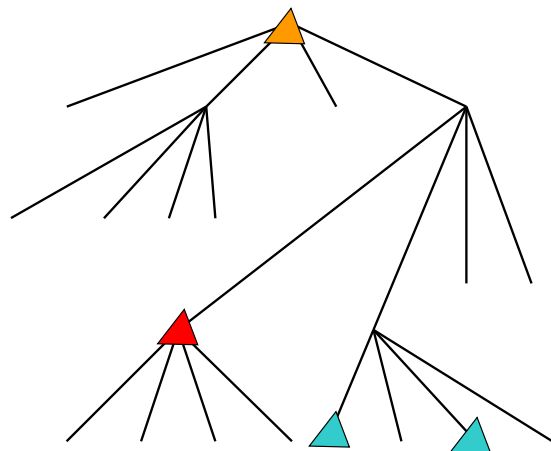
BSP Tree

# Primitives in an Adaptive Grid

- Can live at intermediate levels, or be pushed to lowest level of grid



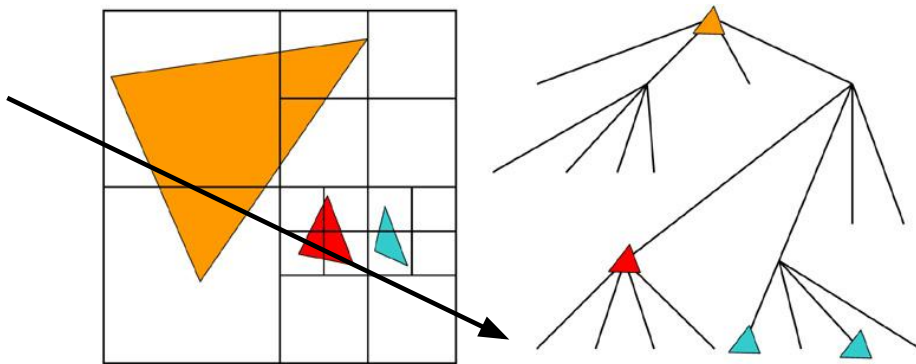
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# Adaptive Grid Discussion

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- Advantages?
  - grid complexity matches geometric density
- Disadvantages?
  - more expensive to traverse (binary tree, lots of pointers)



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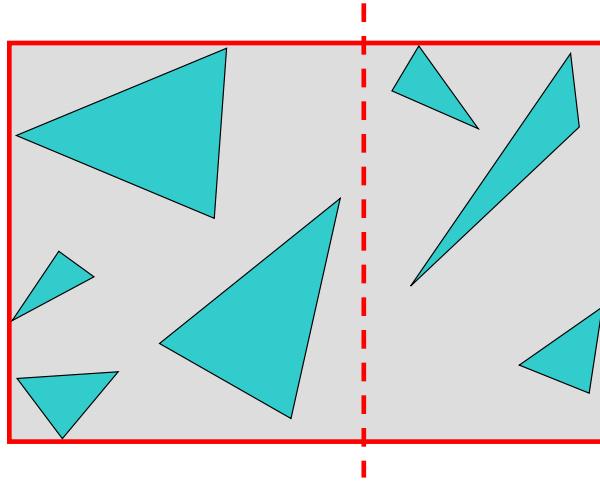
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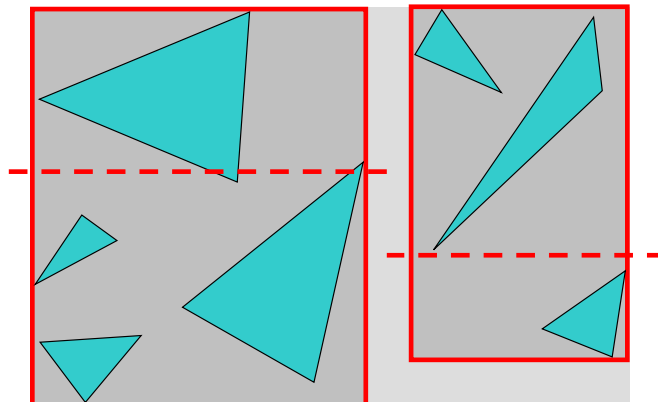
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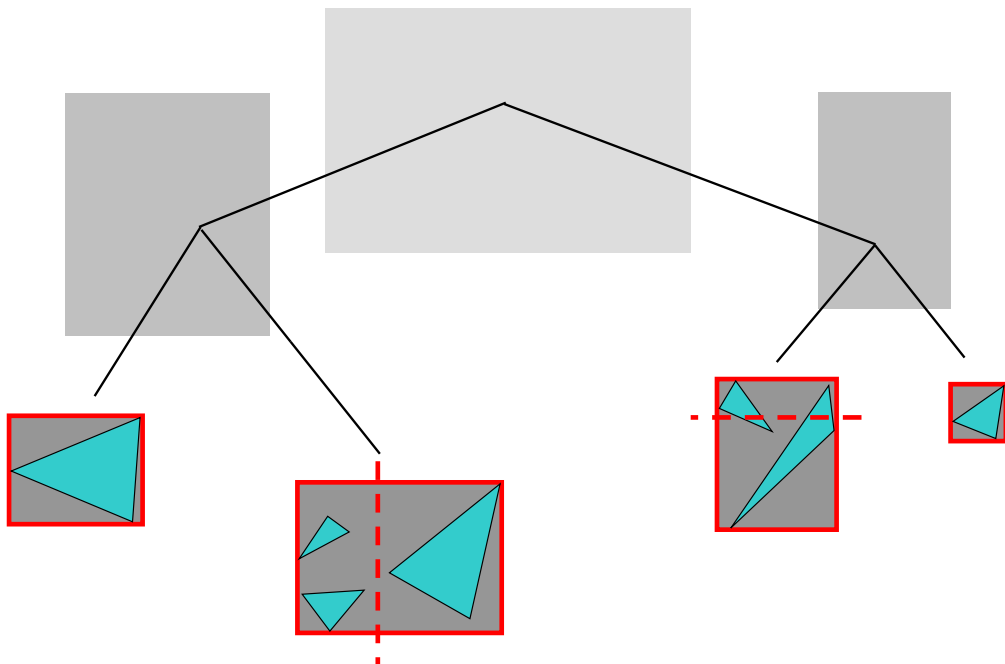
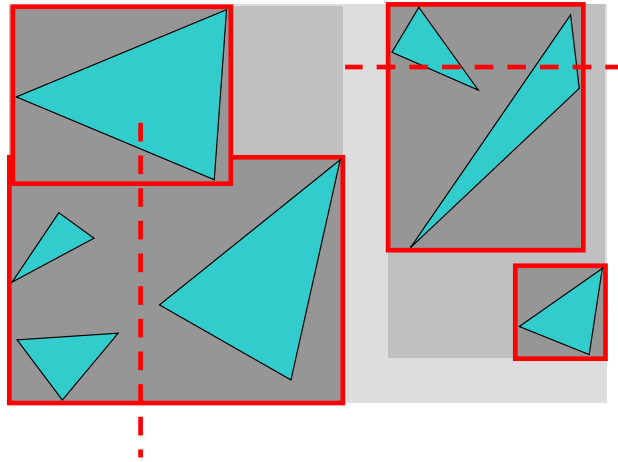




# Where to split objects?

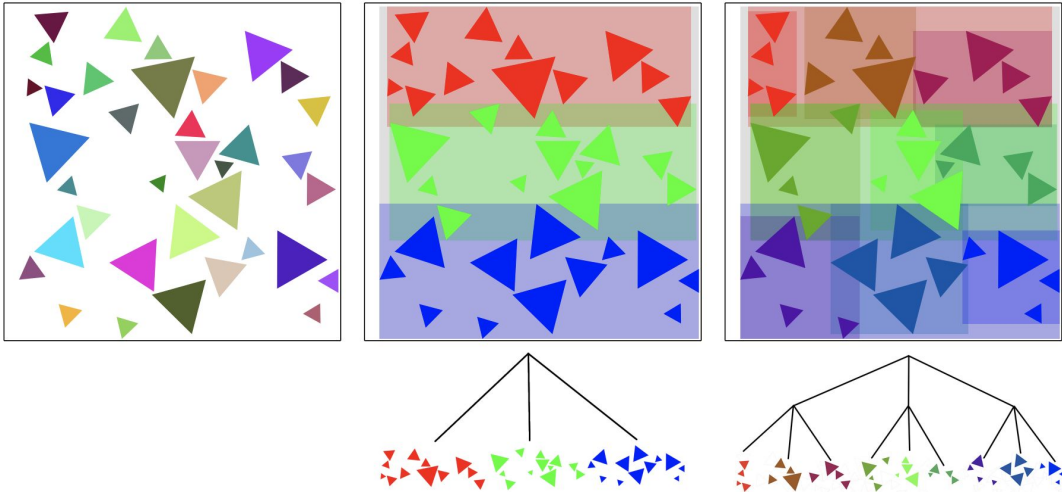
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- At midpoint OR
- Sort, and put half of the objects on each side OR
- Use modeling hierarchy



# Data Structures Homework 8

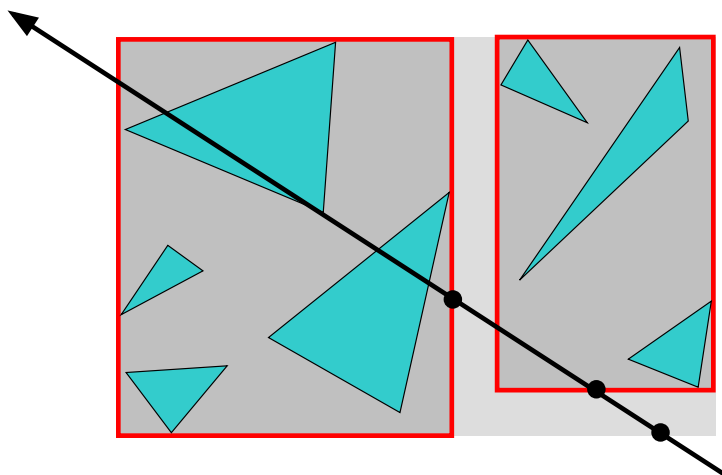
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## Intersection with BVH

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- Check sub-volume with closer intersection first



# Bounding Volume Hierarchy Discussion

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- Advantages
  - easy to construct
  - easy to traverse
  - binary
- Disadvantages
  - may be difficult to choose a good split for a node
  - poor split may result in minimal spatial pruning

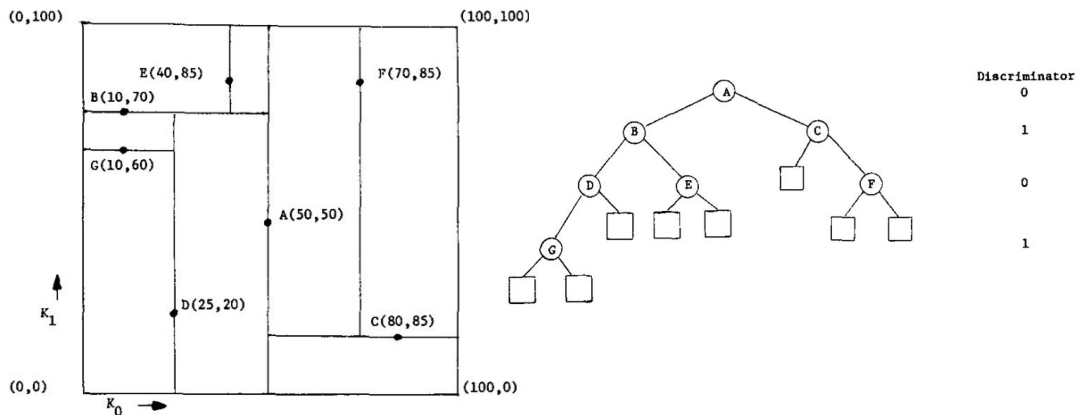
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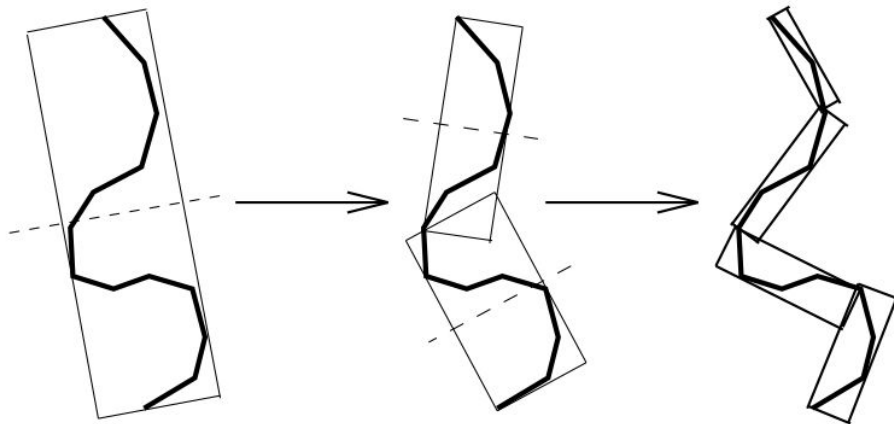
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"Multidimensional Binary Search Trees  
Used for Associative Searching",  
Bentley, Communications of the ACM, 1975



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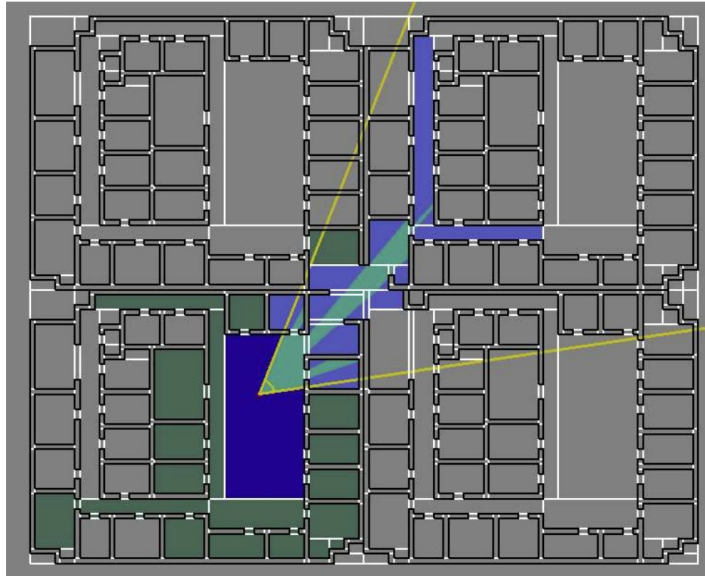
"OBB-Tree: A Hierarchical Structure for Rapid Interference  
Detection", Gottschalk, Lin, & Manocha, SIGGRAPH 1996.



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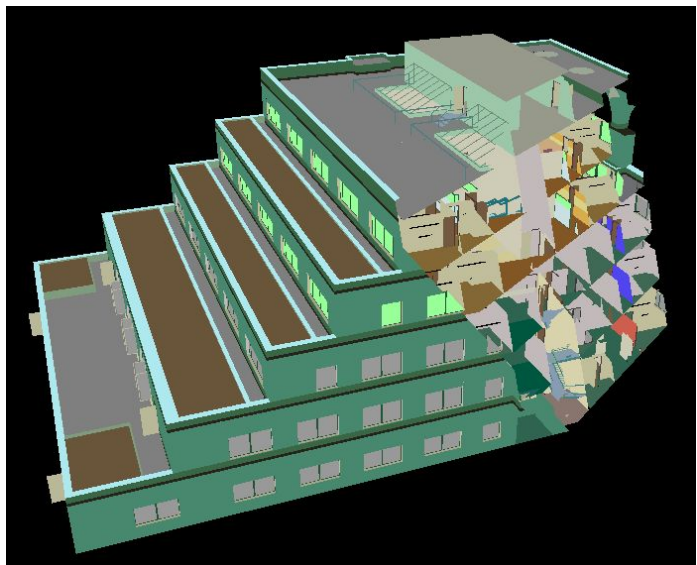
“Visibility Preprocessing For Interactive Walkthroughs”,  
Teller & Sequin, SIGGRAPH 1991.



## Motivation: Architectural Walkthrough

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- UC Berkeley’s new Computer Science Building
- Pre-construction visualization
- Very large dataset!
- Interactive/real-time camera motion!



Seth Teller, PhD thesis, 1992, Berkeley Soda Hall walkthrough



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- Performance requirement: Interactive vs real time
- Conservative visibility: overestimate of polygons that might be visible (neither “exact” nor “underestimate”)
- Input assumptions - parallel to x or y axis & integer grid coordinates
- subdivide space into ‘cells’ (rooms) & identify ‘portals’ between cells
- Portal sequences, sightlines, & stab tree
- Worst case quadratic storage not expected in typical architectural scenarios
- temporal coherence (re-use/cache recent computations)
- 3D is challenging, windows made of many small panes of glass challenges scalability

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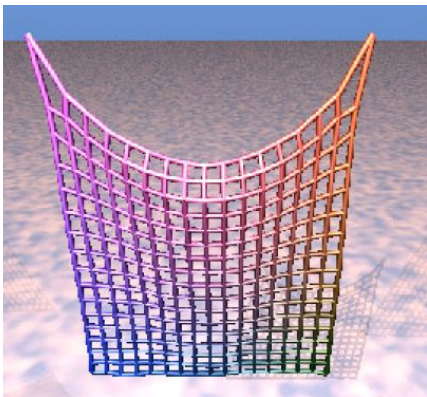
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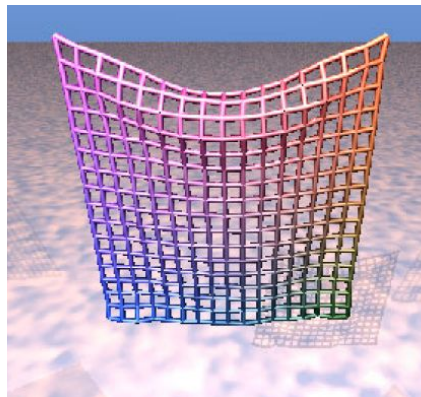
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Everyone should read this  
(simple cloth model used in HW2)

- “Deformation Constraints in a Mass-Spring Model to Describe Rigid Cloth Behavior”, Provot, 1995.



Simple mass-spring system



Improved solution

# Cloth in Practice (w/ Animation)

OPTIONAL READING FOR NEXT TIME

- Baraff, Witkin & Kass  
*Untangling Cloth*  
SIGGRAPH 2003

