

Computational Geometry

Organisatorisches

Semester: SS 2010

UnivIS - Lehrveranstaltungsplan

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09:00 - 11:00 GZ AlgGeom. (uKW) (Schirra)	G29-307	09:00 - 11:00 Grundzüge der Algorithmischen Geometrie (uKW) (Mörig)	G22A-203
11:00 - 13:00 Grundzüge der Algorithmischen Geometrie (uKW) (Mörig)			G22A-217
15:00 - 17:00 GZ AlgGeom. (Schirra)	G05-H4		
17:00 - 19:00 Grundzüge der Algorithmischen Geometrie (uKW) (Mörig)		G22A-208	

uKW

Einschreibung in die Übungen: in umlaufende Listen!

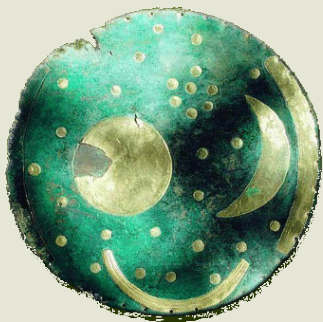
Erfolgreiche Teilnahme an den Übungen:

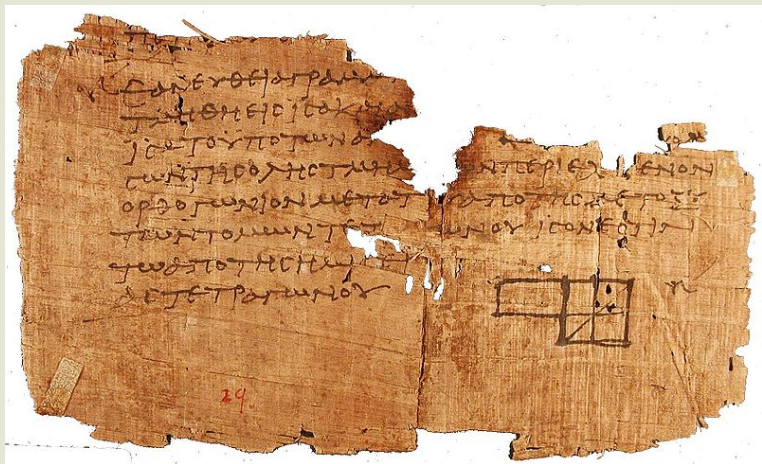
- Votieren vor Beginn der ersten der zugehörigen Übungen
- durch Abgabe einer schriftlichen Lösung (spätestens mittwochs in der Vorlesung)
- für insgesamt mindestens 50% der Aufgaben;
- mindestens einmal erfolgreich vortragen;

Englische Folien (Definitionen, Bilder, ...) + Tafelanschrift

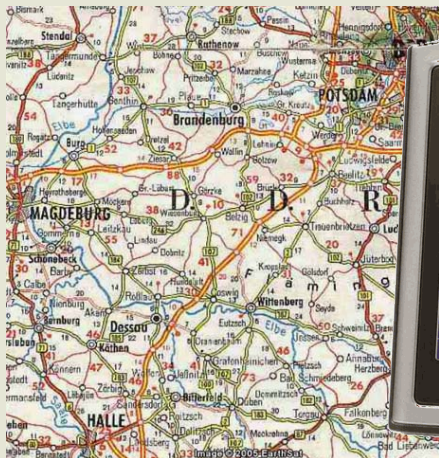
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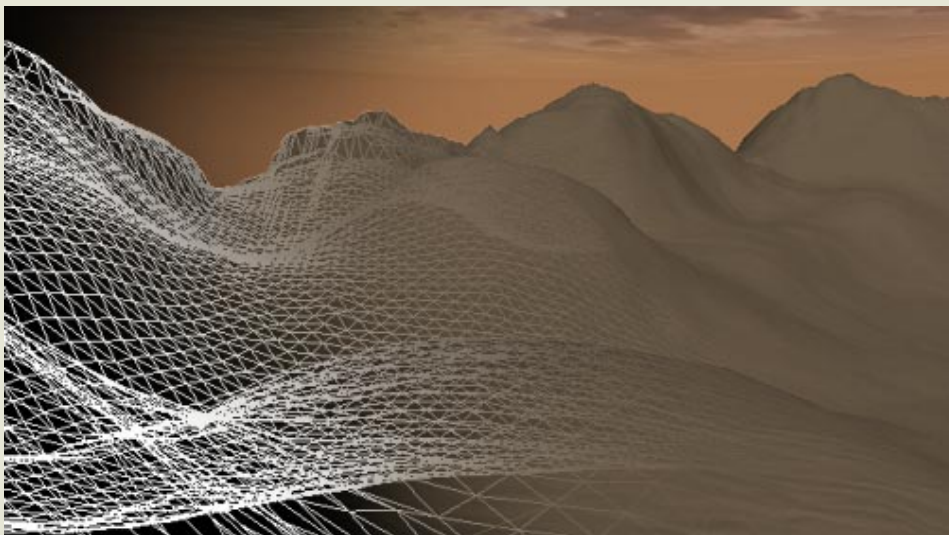
Computational Geometry?











Informatik, Computervisualistik
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Algorithmik

The calculus and the rich body of mathematical analysis to which it gave rise made modern science possible; but it has been the algorithm that has made possible the modern world.

–David Berlinski, *The Advent of the Algorithm*.

Computational Geometry

algorithmic: new and improved methods of doing geometric computations

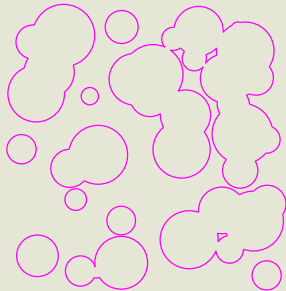
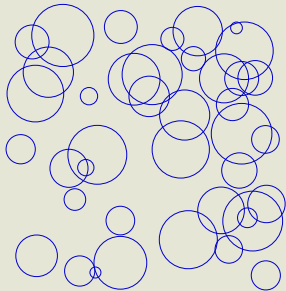
applied: using the new techniques to understand, then solve problems of practice

theoretical: combinatorial insights into the nature of geometric structures

following David Dobkin's invited talk at SoCG'96

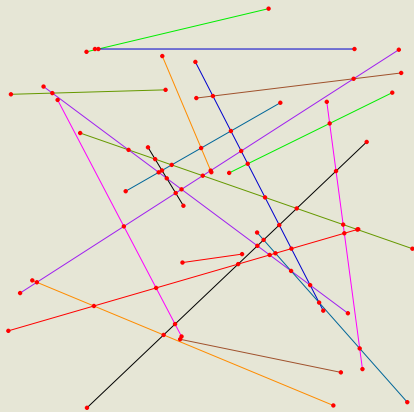
theoretical:

Given a set of n disks in the plane, what is the complexity, i.e., the number of circular arcs, on the boundary of the union of these disks?



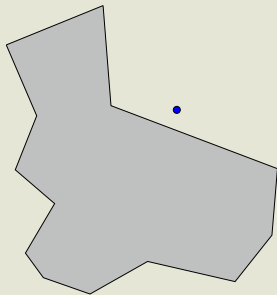
algorithmic:

Given a set of n line segments in the plane, compute all intersection points of these segments!



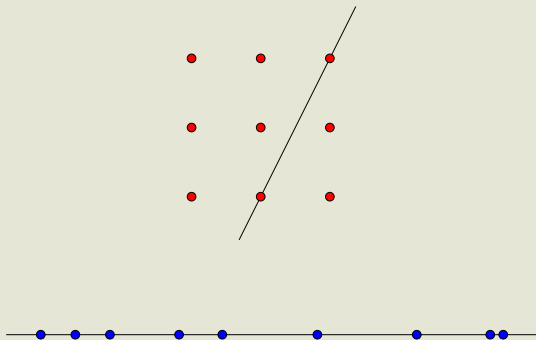
algorithmic:

Given a (simple, closed) polygon P and a query point q ,
does P contain q ?



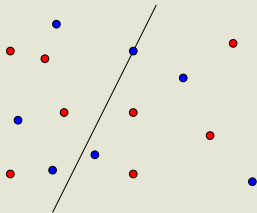
theoretical & algorithmic:

Given a set P of n points in the plane, decide whether there is a line defined by two points in P that contains no third point in P ?



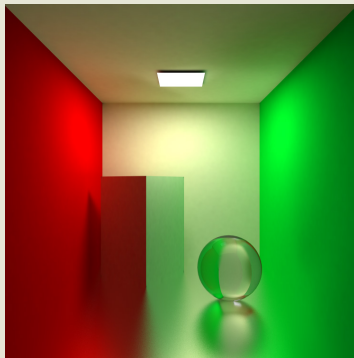
theoretical & algorithmic:

Given a set R of red points and a set B of blue points in the plane, compute a straight line that simultaneously bisects R and B . Such a line is called a ham-sandwich cut.



applied:

Given a ray and a triangle in 3D, do they intersect?



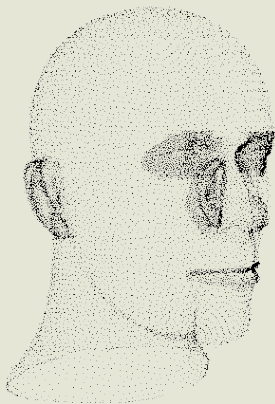
applied:

Collision detection and avoidance in virtual environments.



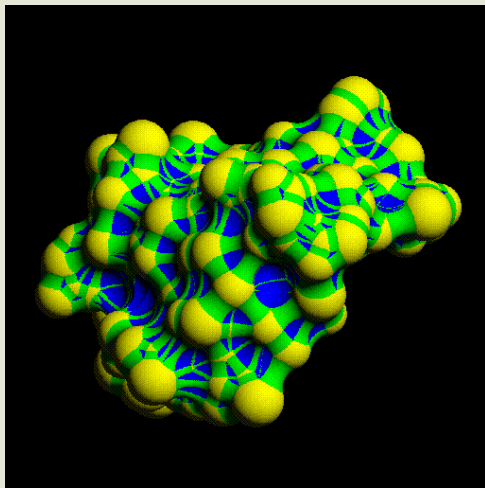
applied:

Given a point cloud in 3D, reconstruct the original surface
(this is not a well-defined task)!



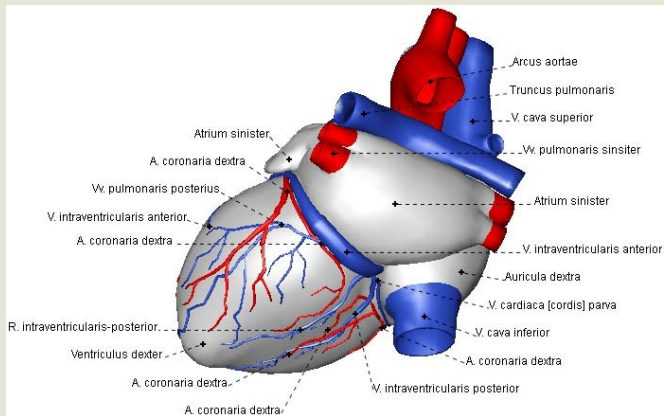
applied:

Given a sphere model of a molecule, compute its Connolly surface!



applied:

Are there any intersections among the annotation lines?



Recommended Textbooks

Mark de Berg, Otfried Cheong, Marc van Kreveld, Mark Overmars.
Computational Geometry, Algorithms and Applications (3rd edition).
Springer-Verlag, 2008.

Rolf Klein.
Algorithmische Geometrie (2. Auflage).
Springer-Verlag, 2005.

Joseph O'Rourke.
Computational Geometry in C (2nd edition).
Cambridge University Press, 1998.



Overview

- geometric structures
 - convex hull
 - triangulation
 - Voronoi diagrams
 - Delaunay diagrams
 - arrangements
- geometric algorithm design paradigms
 - incremental construction
 - divide & conquer
 - plane-sweep
 - geometric transformations
 - randomized incremental construction
 - prune & search

Convex Hull

Definition

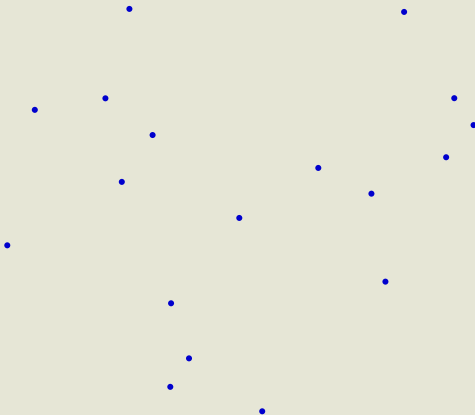
$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is called *convex*, if for any two points p and q in S , the straight line segment \overline{pq} joining p and q is entirely contained in S .

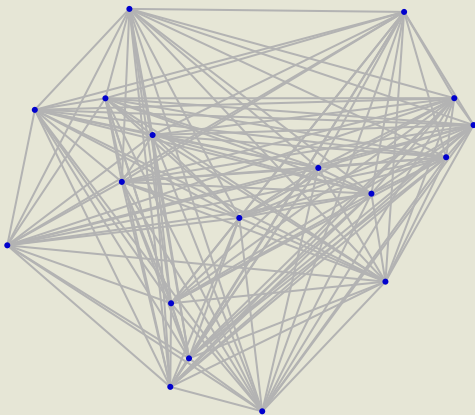
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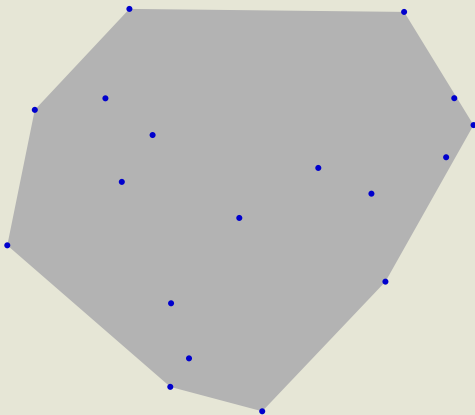
The *convex hull* of $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is the smallest (w.r.t. set inclusion) convex set containing S .

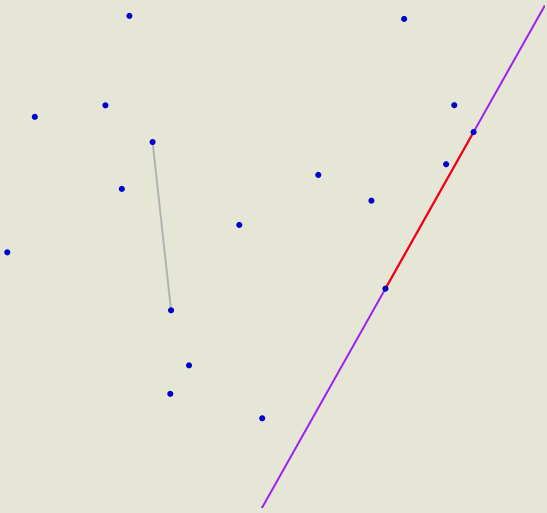
Lemma

Let C_1 and C_2 be convex sets. Then $C_1 \cap C_2$ is a convex set.









The *convex hull* of $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is the intersection of all convex sets containing S . We use $CH(S)$ to denote the convex hull of S .

Let S be a finite set of points in the plane.
Then $CH(S)$ is a convex polygon.

Problem (2D Convex Hull)

Given a finite set S of points in the plane, compute the circular sequence of vertices of $CH(S)$ in counterclockwise order.

Let $S = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ be a finite set of points in the plane. A point in S which is a vertex of $CH(S)$ is called an *extreme point* with respect to S .

Problem (2D Extreme Points)

Given a finite set S of points in the plane, compute the vertices of the convex hull polygon $CH(S)$, i.e., compute the smallest subset T of S , such that $CH(T) = CH(S)$.

Triangulation

Let $S = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ be a finite set of points in the plane.
Let $E(S)$ be the set of all line segments with endpoints in S .

Definition

A *triangulation* of S is a maximal subset of $E(S)$ whose line segments do not contain any point in S in their relative interior and are pairwise disjoint except for common endpoints.

Observation: Edges on the boundary of $CH(S)$ which contain no point of S in their relative interior are part of every triangulation of S .

