PA199
Advanced Game Design

Lecture 6

Collision Detection

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Motivation

- Techniques for collision detection depend on the type of game
- For many games rough approximations are fine
  - i.e. Arcade-style games
- For more complex games need to be familiar with a variety of techniques ranging from simple to complex
  - i.e. 3D games

Rough Approximations Example

Collision Detection

- Do objects collide/intersect?
  - Static
  - Dynamic
- Picking is simple special case of general collision detection problem
  - Check if ray cast from cursor position collides with any object in scene
  - Simple shooting
    - Projectile arrives instantly, zero travel time

Collision Detection .

- A better solution
  - Projectile and target move over time
  - See if collides with object during trajectory

Collision Detection Applications

- Determining if player hit wall/floor/obstacle and stop them walking through it
  - Terrain following (floor)
  - Maze games (walls)
- Determining if projectile has hit target
- Determining if player has hit target
  - Punch/kick (desired)
  - Car crash (not desired)

Collision Detection Applications .

- Detecting points at which behavior should change
  - Car in the air returning to the ground
- Cleaning up animation
  - Making sure a motion-captured character's feet do not pass through the floor
- Simulating motion
  - Physics, or cloth, or something else

Simulating Motion

Why it is Hard?

- Complicated for two reasons
  - Geometry is typically very complex
    - Potentially requiring expensive testing
  - Naïve solution is O(n2) time complexity
    - Since every object can potentially collide with every other object

Why it is Hard - Example

Basic Concepts

From Simple to Complex

- Boundary check
  - Perimeter of world vs. viewpoint or objects
    - 2D/3D absolute coordinates for bounds
    - Simple point in space for viewpoint/objects
- Set of fixed barriers
  - Walls in maze game
    - 2D/3D absolute coordinate system

From Simple to Complex .

- Set of moveable objects
  - One object against set of items
    - Missile vs. several tanks
  - Multiple objects against each other
    - Punching game: arms and legs of players
    - Room of bouncing balls

Naive General Collision Detection

- For each object i containing polygons p
  - Test for intersection with object j containing polygons q
- For polyhedral objects, test if object i penetrates surface of j
  - Test if vertices of i straddle polygon q of j
    - If straddle, then test intersection of polygon q with polygon p of object i
- Very expensive! O(n2)

Fundamental Design Principles

- Fast simple tests first, eliminate many potential collisions
  - Test bounding volumes before testing individual triangles
- Exploit locality, eliminate many potential collisions
  - Use cell structures to avoid considering distant objects

Fundamental Design Principles .

- Use as much information as possible about geometry
  - Spheres have special properties that speed collision testing
- Exploit coherence between successive tests
  - Things don't typically change much between two frames

Example: Player-Wall Collisions

- 'First person' games must prevent the player from walking through walls and other obstacles
- Most general case
  - Player and walls are polygonal meshes
- Each frame, player moves along path not known in advance
  - Assume piecewise linear
    - Straight steps on each frame
  - Assume player's motion could be fast

Simple Approach

- On each step, do a general mesh-to-mesh intersection test to find out if the player intersects the wall
- If they do, refuse to allow the player to move
- Problems with this approach? how can we improve:
  - In response?
  - In speed?

Collision Response

- Frustrating to just stop
  - For player motions, often best thing to do is move player tangentially to obstacle
- Do recursively to ensure all collisions caught
  - Find time and place of collision
  - Adjust velocity of player
  - Repeat with new velocity, start time, start position (reduced time interval)
- Handling multiple contacts at same time
  - Find a direction that is tangential to all contacts

Typical Approaches

Collision Detection Approaches

- Two basic techniques:
  - Overlap testing
    - Detects whether a collision has already occurred
  - Intersection testing
    - Predicts whether a collision will occur in the future

Overlap Testing

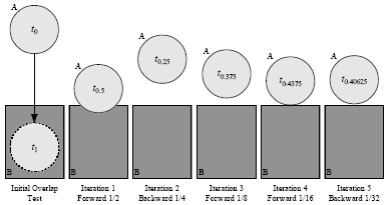
- Facts
  - Most common technique used in games
  - Exhibits more error than intersection testing
- Concept
  - For every simulation step, test every pair of objects to see if they overlap
  - Easy for simple volumes like spheres, harder for polygonal models

Overlap Testing: Useful Results

- Useful results of detected collision
  - Time collision took place
  - Collision normal vector

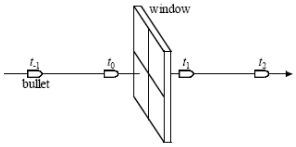
Overlap Testing: Collision Time

- Collision time calculated by moving object back in time until right before collision
  - Bisection is an effective technique



Overlap Testing: Limitations

- Fails with objects that move too fast
  - Unlikely to catch time slice during overlap
- Possible solutions
  - Design constraint on speed of objects
  - Reduce simulation step size

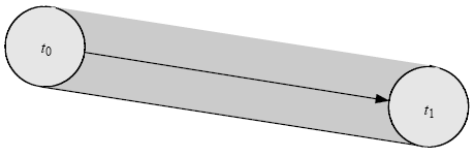


Intersection Testing

- Predict future collisions
- When predicted:
  - Move simulation to time of collision
  - Resolve collision
  - Simulate remaining time step

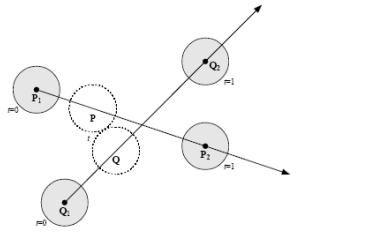
Intersection Testing: Swept Geometry

- Extrude geometry in direction of movement
- Swept sphere turns into a 'capsule' shape



Intersection Testing: Sphere-Sphere Collision

$$t = \frac{-(\hat{\mathbf{A}}\cdot\hat{\mathbf{A}}) - \sqrt{(\mathbf{A}\cdot\mathbf{B})^2 - B^2\left(\hat{A}^2 - (r_P + r_Q)^2\right)}}{B^2}, \quad \begin{aligned}\mathbf{A} &= \mathbf{P}_1 - \mathbf{Q}_1 \\ \mathbf{B} &= (\mathbf{P}_2 - \mathbf{P}_1) - (\mathbf{Q}_2 - \mathbf{Q}_1)\end{aligned}$$



Intersection Testing: Limitations

- Issue with networked games
  - Future predictions rely on exact state of world at present time
  - Due to packet latency, current state not always coherent
- Assumes constant velocity and zero acceleration over simulation step
  - Has implications for physics model and choice of integrator

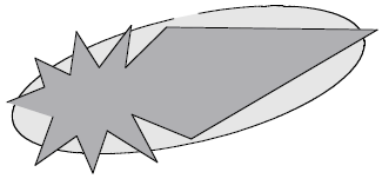
Complexity Issues

Dealing with Complexity

- Two common issues when dealing with complexity:
  - Complex geometry must be simplified
    - Not so easy!
  - Reduce number of object pair tests
    - Varies depending on the types of objects

Simplified Geometry

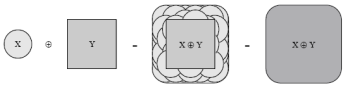
- Approximate complex objects with simpler geometry
  - i.e. Ellipsoid shown below



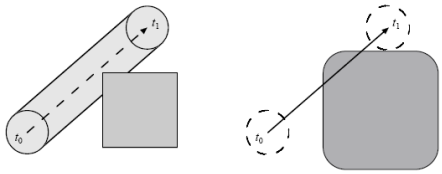
Minkowski Sum

- By taking the Minkowski Sum of two complex volumes and creating a new volume then overlap can be found
  - By testing if a single point is within the new volume

$$X \oplus Y = \{A + B : A \in X \text{ and } B \in Y\}$$



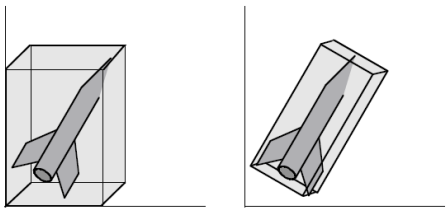
Minkowski Sum Example



Bounding Volumes

- Bounding volume is a simple geometric shape
  - Completely encapsulates object
  - If no collision with bounding volume, no more testing is required
- Most common bounding volumes is box
  - More later on…

Box Bounding Volumes



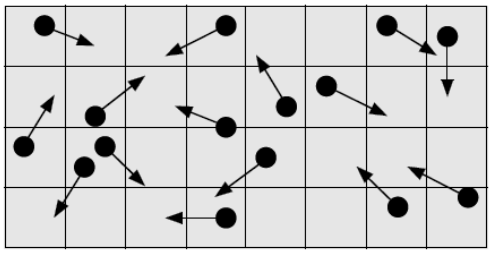
Axis-Aligned Bounding Box

Oriented Bounding Box

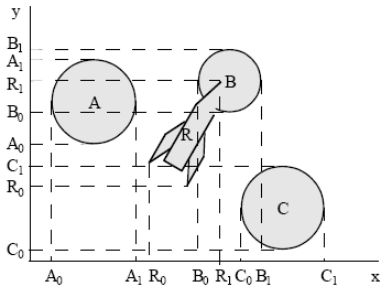
Achieving O(n) Time Complexity

- Possible solutions for O(n) time complexity
  - Partition space
  - Plane sweep algorithm

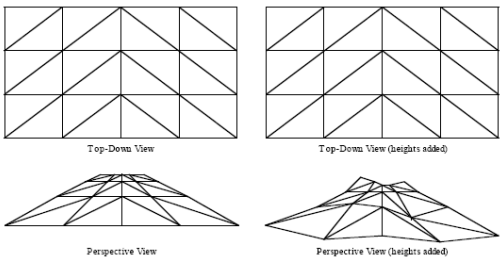
Partition Space Solution



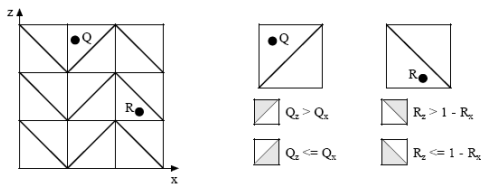
Plane Sweep Algorithm Solution



Terrain Collision Detection



Locate Triangle on Height Field



Collision Resolution: Examples

- Two billiard balls strike
  - Calculate ball positions at time of impact
  - Impart new velocities on balls
  - Play “clinking” sound effect
- Rocket slams into wall
  - Rocket disappears
  - Explosion spawned and explosion sound effect
  - Wall charred and area damage inflicted on nearby characters
- Character walks through wall
  - Magical sound effect triggered
  - No trajectories or velocities affected

Collision Resolution Components

- Resolution has three parts:
  - Prologue
  - Collision
  - Epilogue

Prologue Stage

- Collision known to have occurred
- Check if collision should be ignored
- Other events might be triggered
  - Sound effects
  - Send collision notification messages

Collision Stage

- Place objects at point of impact
- Assign new velocities using either
  - Physics
  - Some other decision logic

Epilogue Stage

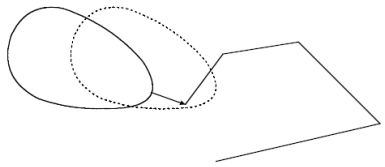
- Propagate post-collision effects
- Possible effects
  - Destroy one or both objects
  - Play sound effect
  - Inflict damage
- Many effects can be done either in the prologue or epilogue

Resolving Overlap Testing

- Four common stages:
  - Extract collision normal
  - Extract penetration depth
  - Move the two objects apart
  - Compute new velocities

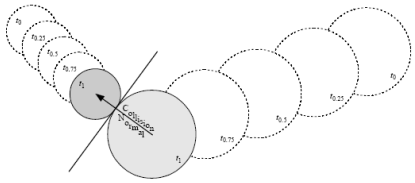
Extract Collision Normal

- Find position of objects before impact
- Use two closest points to construct the collision normal vector



Extract Collision Normal .

- Sphere collision normal vector
  - Difference between centers at point of collision



Resolving Intersection Testing

- Simpler than resolving overlap testing
  - No need to find penetration depth or move objects apart
- Simply just
  - Extract collision normal
  - Compute new velocities

Acceleration Techniques

Accelerating Collision Detection

- Two kinds of approaches (many others also)
  - Collision proxies / bounding volumes hierarchies
  - Spatial data structures to localize
- Used for both 2D and 3D
- Accelerates many things, not just collision detection
  - Raytracing
  - Culling geometry before using standard rendering pipeline

Collision Proxies vs Spatial data Structures

Collision Proxies:
- **Object centric**
- **Spatial redundancy**

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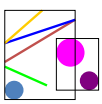

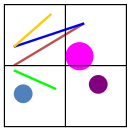

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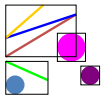

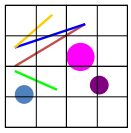

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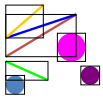
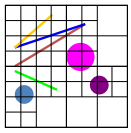




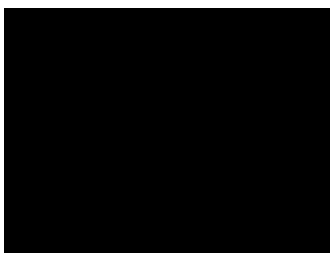
Collision Proxies

- Proxy
  - Something that takes place of real object
  - Cheaper than general mesh-mesh intersections
- Collision proxy (bounding volume) is piece of geometry used to represent complex object for purposes of finding collision
  - If proxy collides, object is said to collide
  - Collision points mapped back onto original object

Collision Proxies .

- Good proxy
  - Cheap to compute collisions for, tight fit to the real geometry
- Common proxies
  - Sphere, cylinder, box, ellipsoid
- Consider
  - Fat player, thin player, rocket, car …

Collision Proxies Example 1



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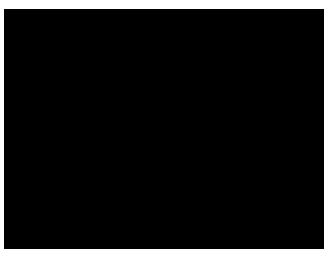
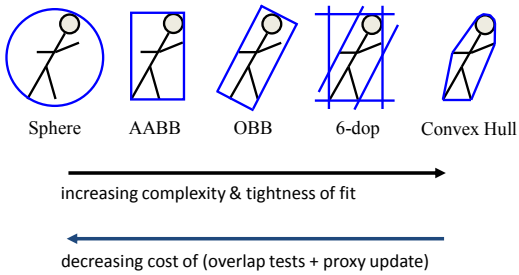


Collision Proxies Example 3

Trade-off in Choosing Proxies



Trade-off in Choosing Proxies .

- AABB
  - Axis aligned bounding box
- OBB
  - Oriented bounding box, arbitrary alignment
- k-dops
  - Shapes bounded by planes at fixed orientations
    - Discrete orientation

Pair Reduction

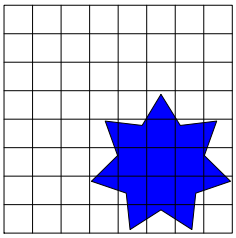
- Want proxy for any moving object requiring collision detection
- Before pair of objects tested in any detail, quickly test if proxies intersect
- When lots of moving objects, even this quick bounding sphere test can take too long:
  - N^2 times if there are N objects
- Reducing this N^2 problem is called pair reduction
  - Pair testing isn't a big issue until N>50 or so…

Spatial Data Structures

- Can only hit something that is close
- Spatial data structures tell you what is close to object
  - Uniform grid, octrees, kd-trees, BSP trees
  - Bounding volume hierarchies
    - OBB trees
  - For player-wall problem, typically use same spatial data structure as for rendering
    - BSP trees most common

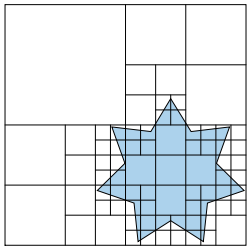
Uniform Grids

- Axis-aligned
- Divide space uniformly



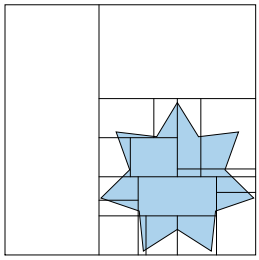
Quadtrees/Octrees

- Axis-aligned
- Subdivide until no points in cell



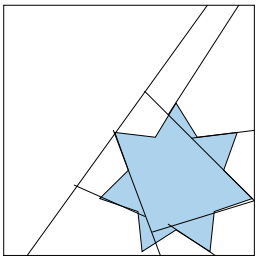
KD Trees

- Axis-aligned
- Sub-divide in alternating dimensions

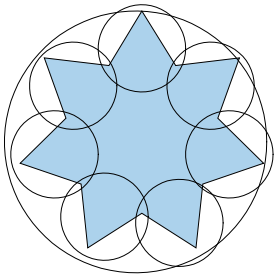


BSP Trees

- Binary Space Partitioning (BSP)
- Planes at arbitrary orientation

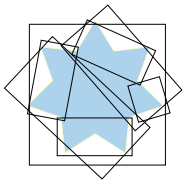


Bounding Volume Hierarchies



OBB Trees

- Oriented bounding box (OBB)
- Applicable to a wide range of problems



BSP Trees Main Idea

- Binary Space Partition (BSP) Tree:
  - Partition space with binary tree of planes
  - Fuchs, Kedem and Naylor `80
- Main idea:
  - Divide space recursively into half-spaces by choosing splitting planes that separate objects in scene

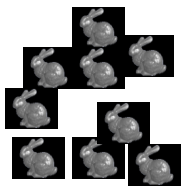
BSP Trees Methods

- More general, can deal with inseparable objects
- Automatic, uses as partitions planes defined by the scene polygons
- Method has two steps:
  - Building of the tree independently of viewpoint
  - Traversing the tree from a given viewpoint to get visibility ordering

BSP Trees Methods .

- First step
  - Preprocessing
    - Create binary tree of planes
- Second step
  - Runtime
    - Correctly traversing this tree enumerates objects from back to front

Creating BSP Trees: Objects



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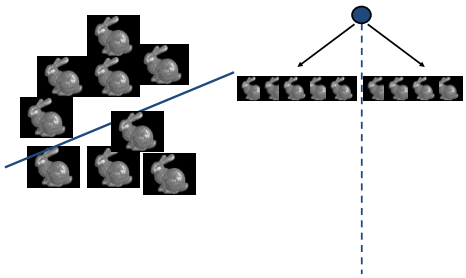

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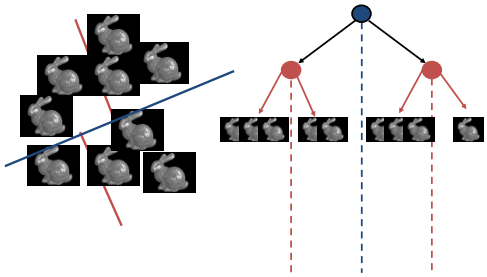

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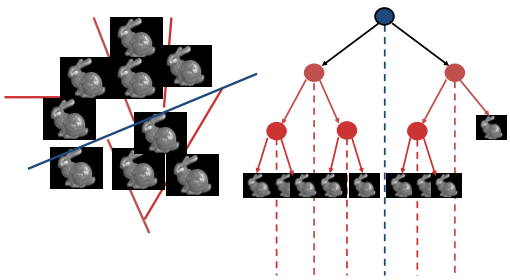

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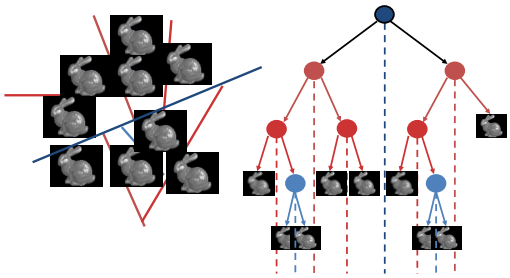
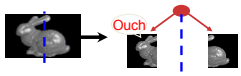


Splitting Objects

- No bunnies were harmed in previous example
- But what if a splitting plane passes through an object?
  - Split the object; give half to each node



Traversing BSP Trees

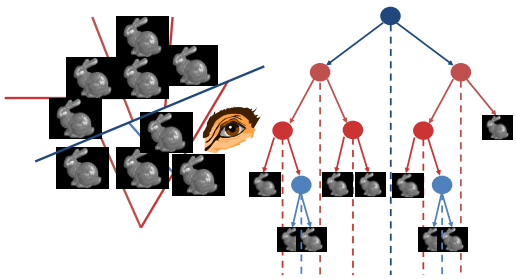
- Tree creation independent of viewpoint
  - Preprocessing step
- Tree traversal uses viewpoint
  - Runtime, happens for many different viewpoints
- Each plane divides world into near and far
  - For given viewpoint, decide which side is near and which is far
    - Check which side of plane viewpoint is on independently for each tree vertex
    - Tree traversal differs depending on viewpoint!
  - Recursive algorithm
    - Recurse on far side
    - Draw object
    - Recurse on near side

Traversing BSP Trees Pseudo Code

- Query: given a viewpoint, produce an ordered list of (possibly split) objects from back to front

```
renderBSP(BSPtree *T)
  BSPtree *near, *far;
  if (eye on left side of T->plane)
       near = T->left; far = T->right;
  else
       near = T->right; far = T->left;
  renderBSP(far);
  if (T is a leaf node)
       renderObject(T)
  renderBSP(near);
```

BSP Trees: Viewpoint A



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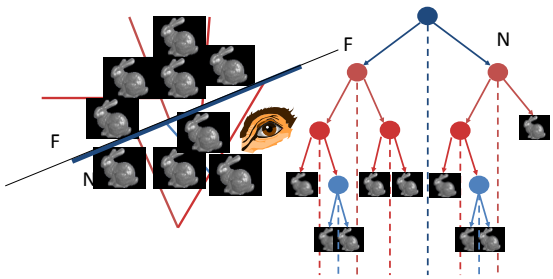

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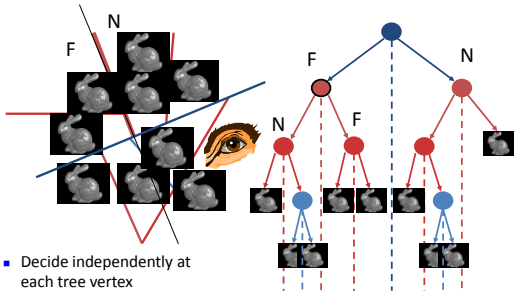

- Decide independently at each tree vertex
- Not just left or right child!

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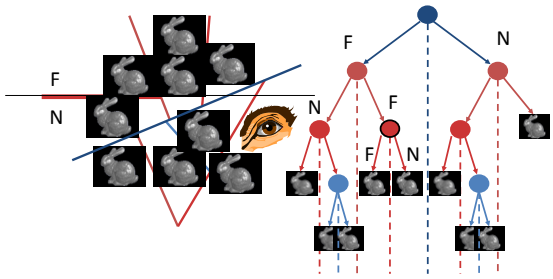

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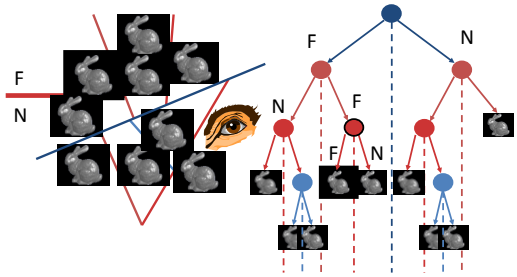

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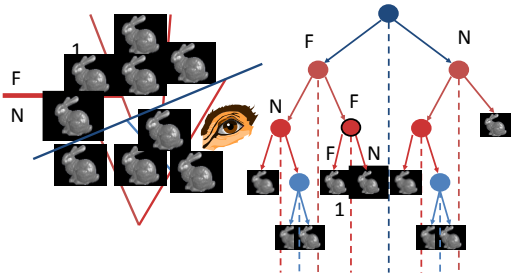

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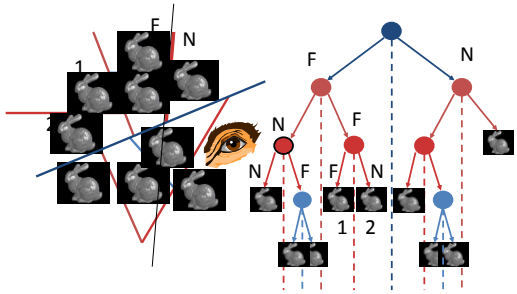

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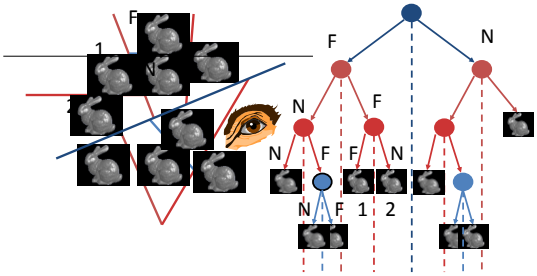

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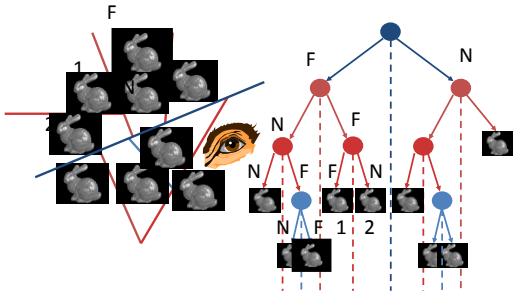

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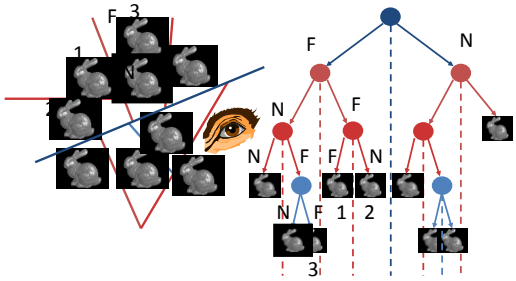

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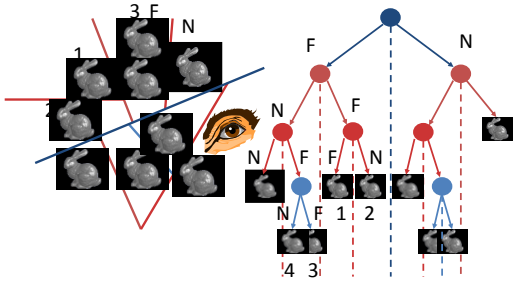

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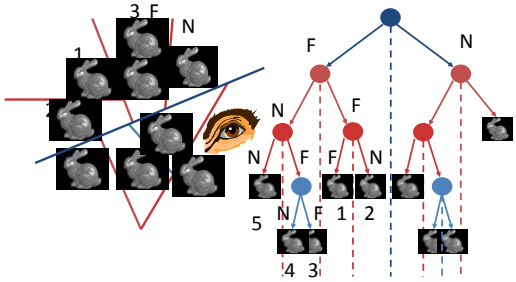

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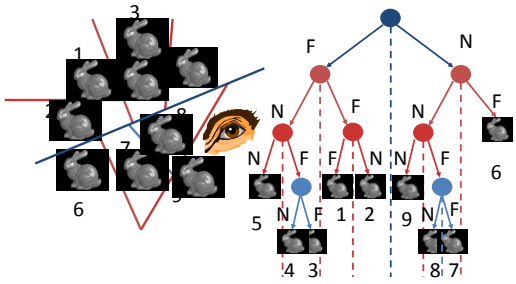

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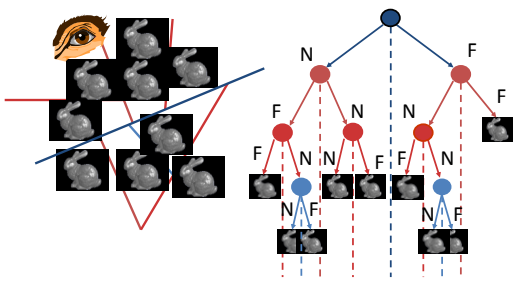

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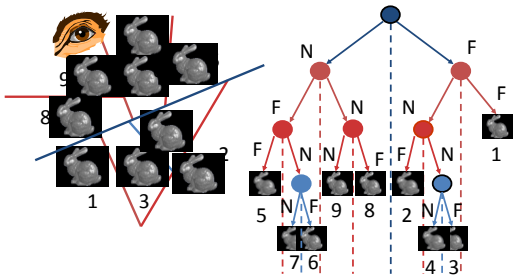
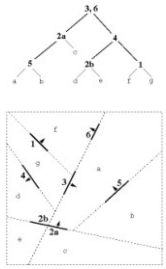


BSP as a Hierarchy of Spaces

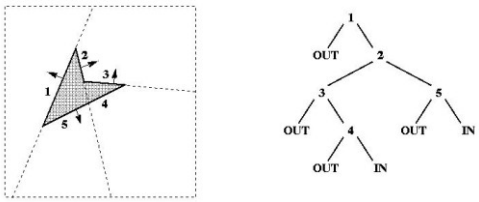
- Each node corresponds to a region of space
  - The root is the whole of R^n
  - The leaves are homogeneous regions



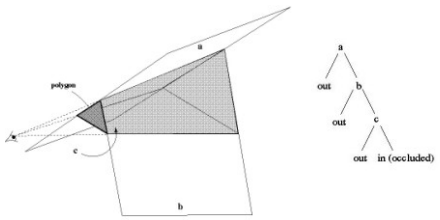
BSP Tree Traversal: Polygons

- Split along the plane defined by any polygon from scene
- Classify all polygons into positive or negative half-space of the plane
  - If a polygon intersects plane, split polygon into two and classify them both
- Recurse down the negative half-space
- Recurse down the positive half-space

Representation of Polygons



Representation of Polyhedra



BSP Trees for Dynamic Scenes

- When an object moves the planes that represent it must be removed and re-inserted
- Some systems only insert static geometry into the BSP tree
- Otherwise must deal with merging and fixing the BSP cells

BSP Trees Pos

- Simple, elegant scheme
- Correct version of painter's algorithm back-to-front rendering approach
- Popular for video games

BSP Trees Cons

- Slow to construct tree
  - O(n log n) to split, sort
- Splitting increases polygon count
  - O(n2) worst-case
- Computationally intense preprocessing stage restricts algorithm to static scenes

BSP Demo

- http://www.symbolcraft.com/graphics/bsp/

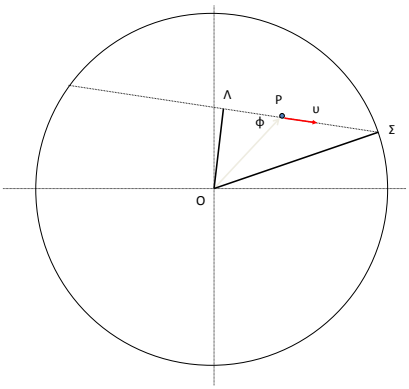
BSP Videos

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WAd7vzwknF0
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jF2a4imSuvI
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JJjyXRvokE4

Collision Detection Approach

Introduction to 3D Breakout

- Most important thing is ball-wall collision detection
- Can be used in:
  - Ball-wall collisions
  - Ball-bat collisions
    - Apart from some cases
  - Ball-Well collisions
    - Apart from some cases (similarly to ball-bat)



Calculate Collision With Wall

- We are interested in finding the
  - Distance travelled (PΣ)
  - Collision time ($t_{collision}$)
  - Final velocity (υ_{final})

From the previous diagram:

$$P\Sigma = \Lambda\Sigma - \Lambda P \qquad \text{eq. 1}$$

Pythagoras Theorem

- From Pythagoras:

$$O\Sigma^2 = O\Lambda^2 + \Lambda\Sigma^2 \rightarrow$$
$$\Lambda\Sigma^2 = O\Sigma^2 - O\Lambda^2 \rightarrow$$
$$\Lambda\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - O\Lambda^2) \qquad \text{eq. 2}$$

Calculate Distance Travelled

- Also:

$$\Lambda P = OP\cos\phi \qquad \text{eq. 3}$$

- So from eq. 1, eq. 2 and eq. 3:

$$P\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - O\Lambda^2) - OP\cos\phi \qquad \text{eq. 4}$$

Calculate Distance Travelled .

- But:

$$\sin\phi = O\Lambda/OP \rightarrow$$
$$O\Lambda = OP\sin\phi$$

- And:

$$O\Lambda^2 = OP^2\sin\phi^2 \qquad \text{eq. 5}$$

Calculate Distance Travelled ..

- From eq. 4 and eq. 5

$$P\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - OP^2\sin\phi^2) - OP\cos\phi \qquad \text{eq. 6}$$

- Also from:

$$\sin\phi^2 + \cos\phi^2 = 1 \rightarrow \sin\phi^2 = 1 - \cos\phi^2 \qquad \text{eq. 7}$$

Calculate Distance Travelled …

- From eq. 6 and eq. 7

$P\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - OP^2 + OP^2\cos\phi^2) - OP\cos\phi$

- Since $OP \bullet \upsilon = (OP)\upsilon/|\upsilon|\cos\phi$, so the above equation will become:

$P\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - OP^2 + (OP\upsilon/|\upsilon|\cos\phi)^2) - (OP)\upsilon/|\upsilon|\cos\phi$

Calculate Distance Travelled ….

- From the dot product the previous equation will become

$P\Sigma = \text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - OP^2 + (OP \bullet \upsilon/|\upsilon|)^2) - OP \bullet \upsilon/|\upsilon|$ eq. 8

- Must take absolute value in case $\phi > 90$

$P\Sigma = |(\text{sqrt}(O\Sigma^2 - OP^2 + (OP \bullet \upsilon/|\upsilon|)^2) - OP \bullet \upsilon/|\upsilon|\ |$ eq. 9

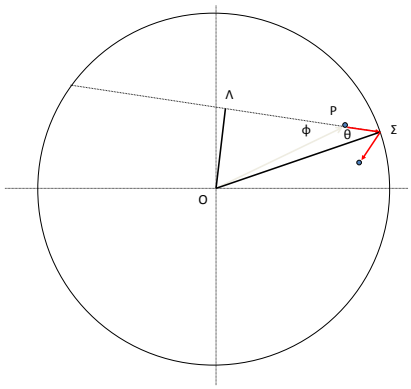
Calculate Collision Time

- From motion equation:

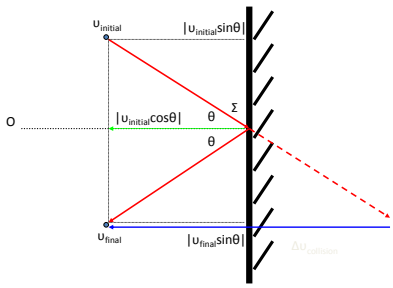
$$S = \upsilon_{collision}\, t_{collision}$$

- But $S = P\Sigma$, so:

$$P\Sigma = \upsilon_{collision}\, t_{collision} \rightarrow$$
$$t_{collision} = P\Sigma/\upsilon_{collision} \qquad \text{eq. 10}$$



Calculate Final Velocity



Calculate Final Velocity .

- The change in ball velocity from the collision:

$$|\Delta\upsilon_{collision}| = |\upsilon_{final} - \upsilon_{initial}| \qquad \text{eq. 11}$$

- From the above figure:

$$|\Delta\upsilon_{collision}| = 2|\upsilon_{initial}\cos\theta| \text{ or} \qquad \text{eq. 12}$$
$$|\Delta\upsilon_{collision}| = 2\upsilon_{initial} \bullet (O\Sigma/|O\Sigma|) \qquad \text{eq. 13}$$

Calculate Final Velocity ..

- But $\Delta\upsilon$ is anti-parallel to $O\Sigma$ and we want to make $\Delta\upsilon_{collision}$ a vector
- From eq. 12 we do:

$$\Delta\upsilon_{collision} = -2|\upsilon_{initial}\cos\theta|(O\Sigma)/|O\Sigma|\rightarrow$$

- From eq. 13 we do:

$$\Delta\upsilon_{collision} = -2(O\Sigma)\,(\upsilon_{initial}\bullet O\Sigma)/|O\Sigma|^2$$

Assignment Tips

Some Tips

- Important 3D objects for collision detection in 3D Breakout Assignment
  - Invisible ground (optional)
  - Ball
  - Bat
  - Well

Class TBall.h

```
class TBall
{
    public:
        double _radius;          // defines the radius of the ball
        TVector _position;       // defines the position of the ball
        TVector _velocity;       // defines the velocity v0 of the ball

        // Constructors
        TBall();
        TBall(const double& Radius, const TVector& Position, const
                        TVector& Velocity)
        {_radius=Radius; _position=Position; _velocity=Velocity;};
```

Class TBall.h .

```
        // Selectors
        double GetBallRadius()    const {return _radius;};
        TVector GetBallPosition() const {return _position;};
        TVector GetBallVelocity() const {return _velocity;};

        void DrawBall();          // Draws the ball

        void CalculateVelocity(const TVector& velocity, const double&
                seconds);         // Assigns the ball a velocity

        TVector CalcDistanceTravelled(const double& seconds) const;
                // Calculates the distance traveled

        void MoveBall(const double& seconds); // Moves the ball
};
```

Default Constructor for the Ball

```
TBall::TBall()
{
    // Assign default values for the attributes
    // of the ball
    _radius = 4.0;
    _position = TVector(0.0, 0.0, 0.0);
    _velocity = TVector(1.0, 0.0, 0.0);
}
```

Function to Draw the Ball

```
void TBall::DrawBall()
{
        glPushMatrix();
                glTranslatef(_position.X(),
                _position.Y(), _position.Z());
                glutSolidSphere(_radius, 20, 20);
        glPopMatrix();
}
```

More Functions

- Functions for the TBall Class:
  - CalculateVelocity
  - CalcDistanceTravelled
  - MoveBall
- Function for TDisplayImp
  - Idle
- TBat Class

CalculateVelocity Function

```
void TBall::CalculateVelocity(const TVector&
   velocity, const double& seconds)
{
        _velocity = velocity;
}
```

CalcDistanceTravelled Function

```
TVector TBall::CalcDistanceTravelled(const double&
   seconds) const
{
   TVector new_velocity, new_position;

   new_velocity = _velocity;
   new_position = _position +
   new_velocity*seconds;

   return new_position;
}
```

MoveBall Function

```
void TBall::MoveBall(const double& seconds)
{
   _position = CalcDistanceTravelled(seconds);
}
```

Idle Function

```
void TDisplayImp::idle(void)
{
   // Set the time for the simulation
   _scene->CalculateSimulations();

   glutPostRedisplay();
}
```

Class TBat

```
class TBat
{
 public:
      TVector _points[16];              // points for the
first bat
      TVector _normal[15];       // normal of the ground

public:
      // Default constructor
      TBat(){};
      TBat(double rotation_angle);
```

Class TBat .

```
void DrawBat();          // Draws the bats

void MoveBatRight();     // Moves bat on the right

void MoveBatLeft();      // Moves the bat on the right

int BatCollisions(const TBall &ball, const double&
                                        seconds);

int BatCollisionsSides(const TBall &ball, const double&
                                        seconds);

int BatCollisionsEdges(const TBall &ball, const double&
                                        seconds);
```

Class TBat ..

```
      TVector Bat_Faces_Reflection(TBall
&ball, const                  double& seconds,
const double&                           distance);

      TVector Bat_Left_Side_Reflections(TBall
&ball,              const double& seconds,
const double&                     parameter);

      TVector
Bat_Right_Side_Reflections(TBall &ball,
      const double& seconds, const double&
                  parameter);
```

Class TBat …

```
      TVector Bat_Edge12_Reflections(TBall &ball,
                        const double& seconds);

      TVector Bat_Edge15_Reflections(TBall &ball,
                        const double& seconds);

      TVector Bat_Edge13_Reflections(TBall &ball,
                        const double& seconds);

      TVector Bat_Edge11_Reflections(TBall &ball,
                        const double& seconds);
};
```

TBat Constructor

```
TBat::TBat(double rotation_angle)
{
   TVector initial_vector, upper_vector,
   construction_vector;

   // Define a vector for the construction of the
   ground points of the bats
   initial_vector = TVector(1.0, 0.0, 0.0);

   // Define a vector for the construction of the
   upper points of the bats
   upper_vector = TVector(0.0, 10.0, 0.0);
```

TBat Constructor .

```
// Define the rotation axis
TVector rotation_axis(0.0,1.0,0.0);

// Define the three rotation matrices for the bats
TMatrix33 bat_construction = TMatrix33(rotation_axis,
rotation_angle);

// Define the vector used for the construction of the bats
construction_vector = bat_construction*initial_vector;

// Define the rotation matrix for the constuction of the bats
TMatrix33 bat_rotation = TMatrix33(rotation_axis, angle);
```

TBat Constructor ..

```
    // Construct the 16 points of the bats
    _points[0] = construction_vector*bat_radius1;
    _points[1] = bat_rotation*_points[0];
    _points[2] = bat_rotation*_points[1];
    _points[3] = bat_rotation*_points[2];
    _points[7] = construction_vector*bat_radius2;
    _points[6] = bat_rotation*_points[7];
    _points[5] = bat_rotation*_points[6];
    _points[4] = bat_rotation*_points[5];
    _points[8]  = _points[0] + upper_vector;
    _points[9]  = _points[1] + upper_vector;
    _points[10] = _points[2] + upper_vector;
    _points[11] = _points[3] + upper_vector;
    _points[15] = _points[7] + upper_vector;
    _points[14] = _points[6] + upper_vector;
    _points[13] = _points[5] + upper_vector;
    _points[12] = _points[4] + upper_vector;
}
```

Drawing Front Side of Bats

```
glBegin(GL_QUAD_STRIP);

// Front face, normal of first surface
_normal[0] = ((_points[8] - _points[0])*(_points[1] - _points[0])).unit();
glNormal3f(_normal[0].X(), _normal[0].Y(), _normal[0].Z());

// Construct first quad
glVertex3f(_points[0].X(), _points[0].Y(), _points[0].Z());
glVertex3f(_points[8].X(), _points[8].Y(), _points[8].Z());

// Front face, second surface
_normal[1] = ((_points[9] - _points[1])*(_points[2] - _points[1])).unit();
glNormal3f(_normal[1].X(), _normal[1].Y(), _normal[1].Z());
```

Drawing Front Side of Bats .

```
    // Construct second quad
    glVertex3f(_points[1].X(), _points[1].Y(), _points[1].Z());
    glVertex3f(_points[9].X(), _points[9].Y(), _points[9].Z());

    // Front face, third surface
    _normal[2] = ((_points[10] - _points[2])*(_points[3] - _points[2])).unit();

    glNormal3f(_normal[2].X(), _normal[2].Y(), _normal[2].Z());

    // Construct third quad
    glVertex3f(_points[2].X(), _points[2].Y(), _points[2].Z());
    glVertex3f(_points[10].X(), _points[10].Y(), _points[10].Z());
    glNormal3f(_normal[2].X(), _normal[2].Y(), _normal[2].Z());

    // Construct fourth quad
    glVertex3f(_points[3].X(), _points[3].Y(), _points[3].Z());
    glVertex3f(_points[11].X(), _points[11].Y(), _points[11].Z());

glEnd();
```

Drawing the Rest of the Bats

- In the same way you will have to draw the:
  - Left side of the bat
  - Back side of the bat
  - Right side of the bat
  - Up side of the bat

Bat Collisions

- At least three checks:
  - Check for collisions between the ball and the three bats like ball-wall
  - Check for collisions between the ball and the side of the bats
  - Check for collisions between the ball and the edges of the bats
- Repeat the same procedure for reflections of the ball after collisions

Calculate the reflection of the ball after collision

```
double TBounds::Ball_Reflection(TBall &ball, const
   double& seconds)
{
   TVector ball_velocity_after_collision,
   previous_ball_position, collision_vector, final_velocity;

   // Perform calculations for the previous time step
   previous_ball_position = ball.GetBallPosition() -
   ball.GetBallVelocity()*seconds;

   double absBallVelocity =
   sqrt(ball.GetBallVelocity().dot(ball.GetBallVelocity()));
```

Calculate the reflection of the ball after collision .

```
// Calculate the Ri*V to calculate the collision time
double RV = previous_ball_position.dot(ball.GetBallVelocity())/absBallVelocity;

// Absolute RV
double abs_RV = abs(RV);

// Define the initial distance = 100 - 4 = 96
double initial_distance = 100.0 - ball.GetBallRadius();
```

Calculate the reflection of the ball after collision ..

```
// Calculate the determinant
double Determinant = ((RV*RV) - previous_ball_position.dot(previous_ball_position) + initial_distance*initial_distance);

// Calculate the collision time
double collision_time = abs(-abs_RV + sqrt(Determinant))/absBallVelocity;

// Calculate the collision vector (normal vector) from: R = r + v*t
collision_vector = previous_ball_position + ball.GetBallVelocity()*collision_time;

// Make the collision vector (normal vector) unit vector
TVector unit_collision_vector = TVector::unit(collision_vector);
```

Calculate the reflection of the ball after collision …

```
// Define velocity by: Vreflected = (Vinitial*Normal.unit)*Normal.unit
ball_velocity_after_collision = unit_collision_vector*(ball.GetBallVelocity().dot(unit_collision_vector));

// Calculate the velocity of the ball after collision with the invisible wall
final_velocity = ball.GetBallVelocity() - ball_velocity_after_collision*2.0;

ball.CalculateVelocity(final_velocity, collision_time);

return collision_time;
}
```

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