



Collision Detection Based on Fuzzy Scene Subdivision

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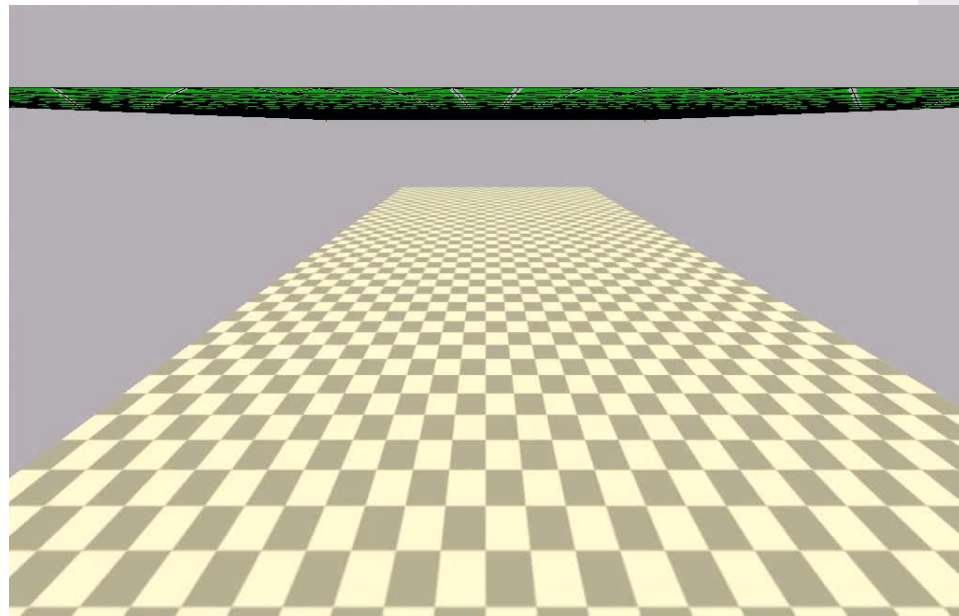
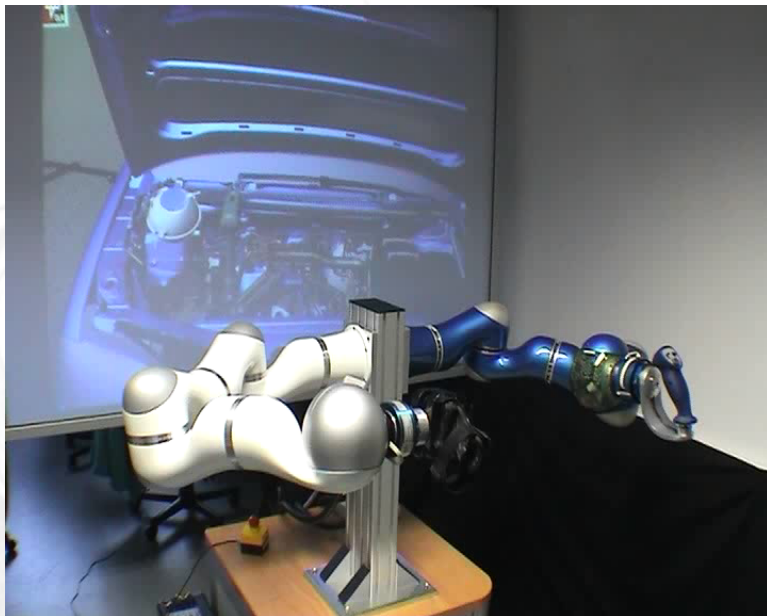
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Motivation for Collision Detection



- Make virtual environments realistic
- Basic component of video games, robotics, medical applications, etc.
- Collision detection is bottleneck in many applications



Previous Work

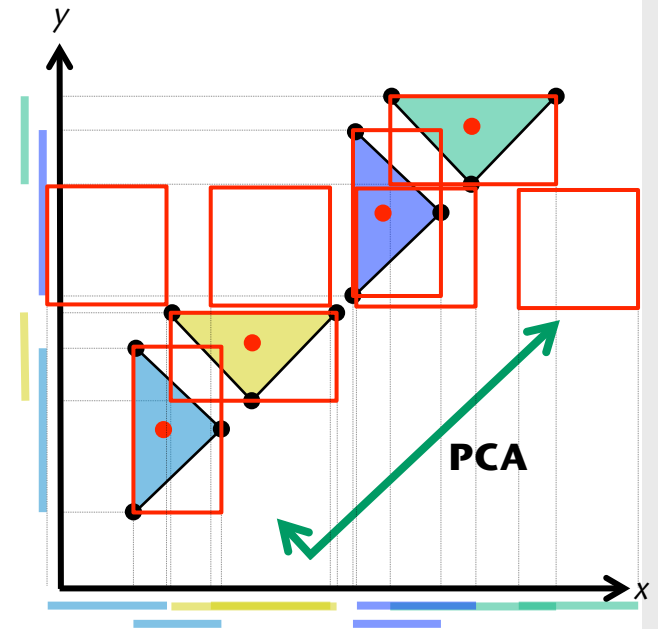


- Algorithm for proximity queries between a closed rigid object and an arbitrary mesh [Morvan 2008]
 - Sampled distance field of rigid object over arbitrary mesh
 - Drawback: one object has to be a rigid body
- Hybrid CPU/GPU technique based on spatial subdivision [Pabst 2010]
 - Prune away non-colliding parts of scene by using an adapted spatial subdivision method
- GPU-based streaming algorithm for collision detection [Tang 2011]
 - Use BVH as culling technique
 - Cannot be easily extended to use more than one GPU



PCA-based Sweep-Plane Technique

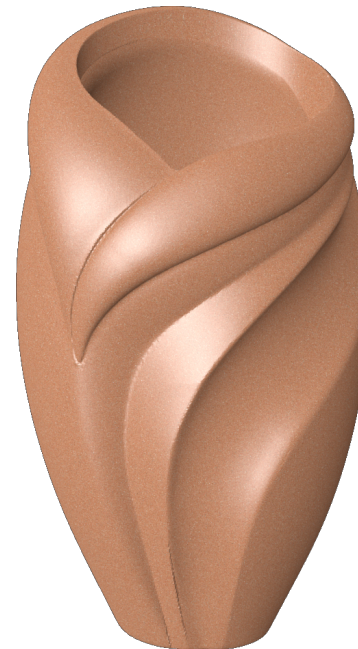
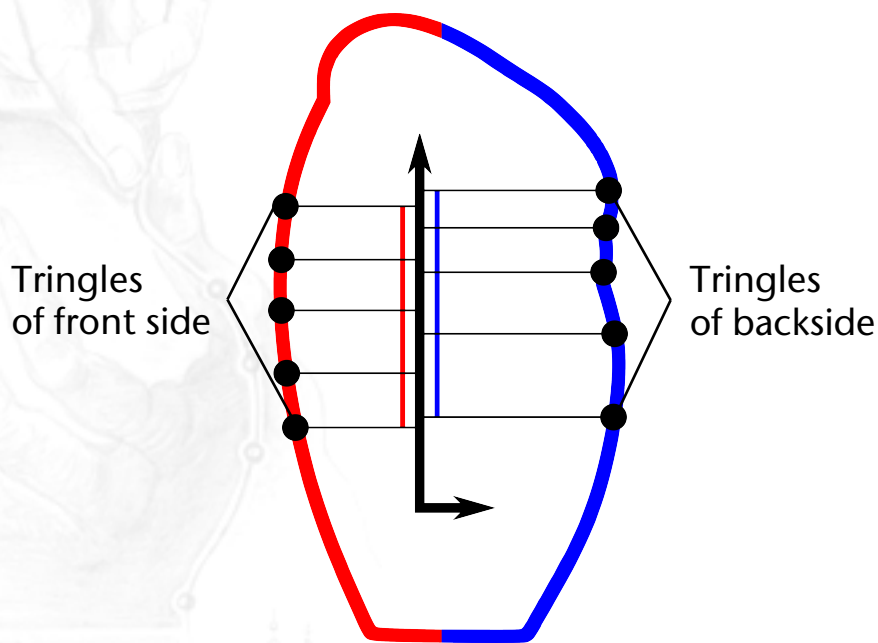
- 1D sweep-plane approach
 - BBox spans an interval on axis
- Sorting intervals
 - Identify possible colliding BBoxes
- Minimize potentially colliding BBoxes
- Best sweep direction separate primitives as much as possible
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 - Compute the **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**



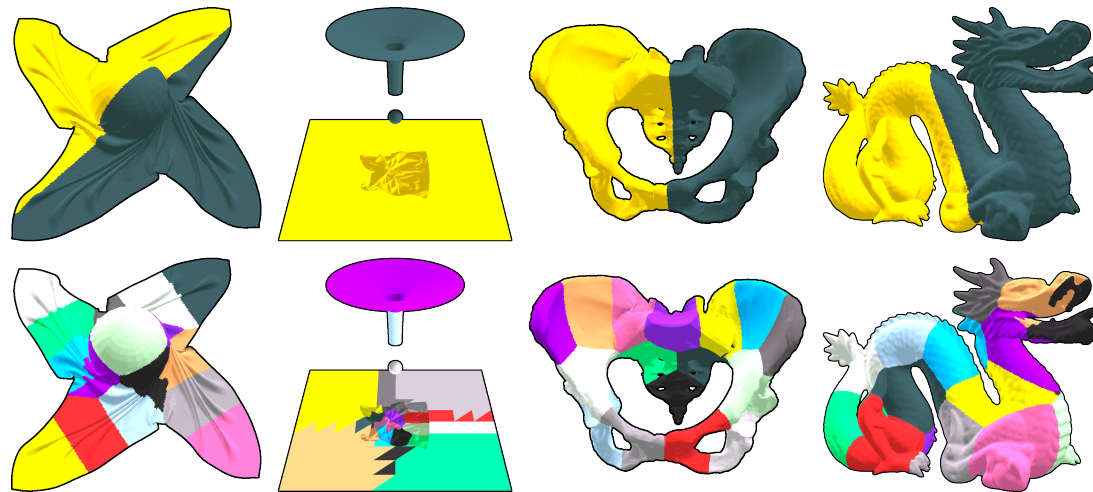
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Problem:

- Sweep-plane step \rightarrow dimensional reduction \rightarrow false positives
 - Primitives of *front side* and primitives of *backside* identified as potentially colliding pairs



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Solution:

- Subdivide scene into components using *clustering* algorithm
- Primitives on border need to be on two (or more) clusters → fuzzy clustering
- Run incrementally → reuse results from previous step → Fuzzy C-Means



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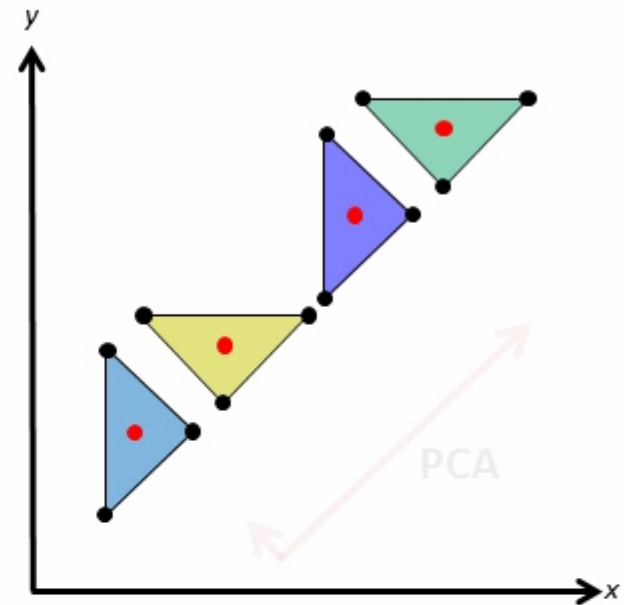
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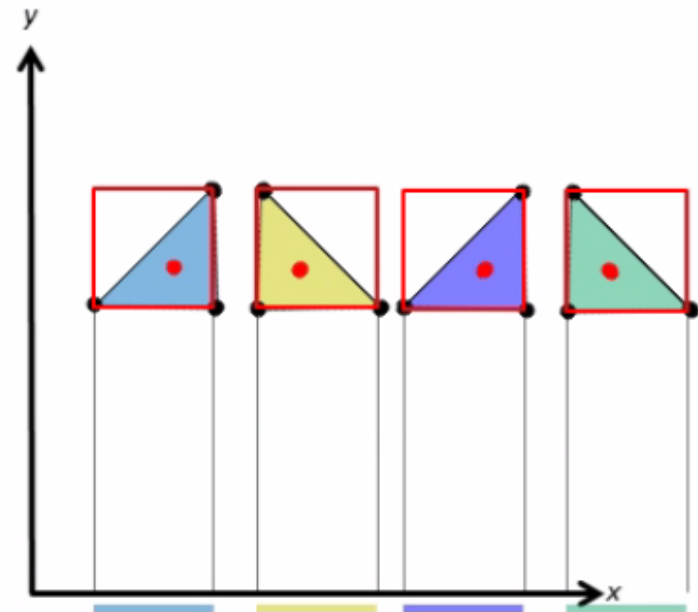
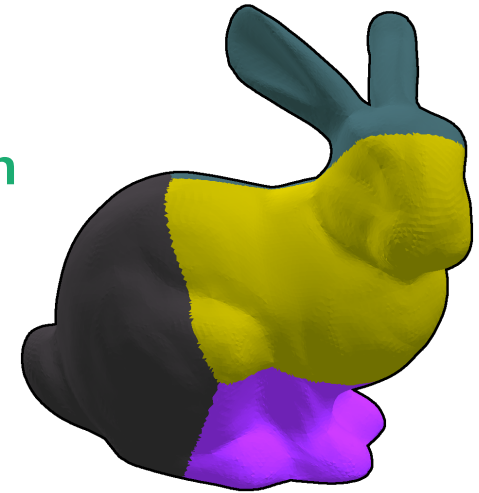
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if AABB intersect along y-axis then

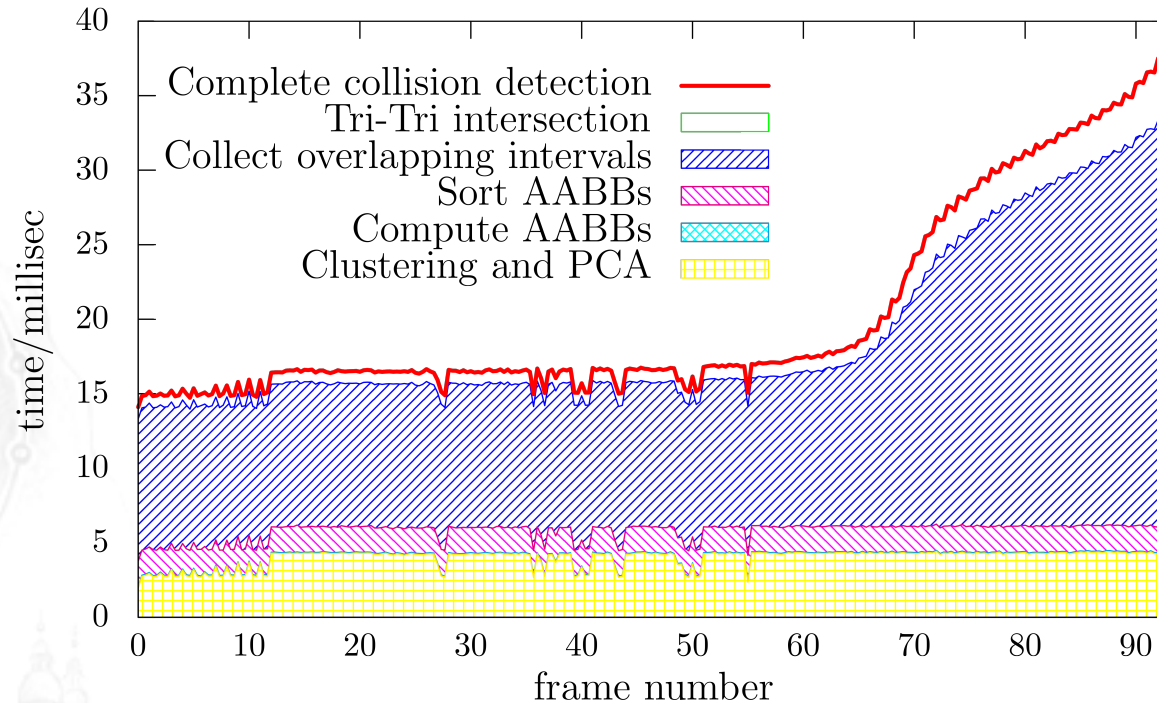
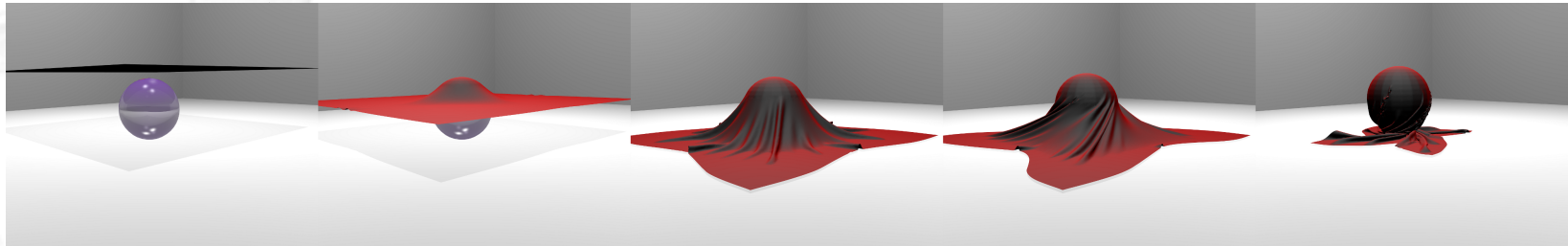
do primitive-primitive intersection test





Results: Cloth on Ball Benchmark

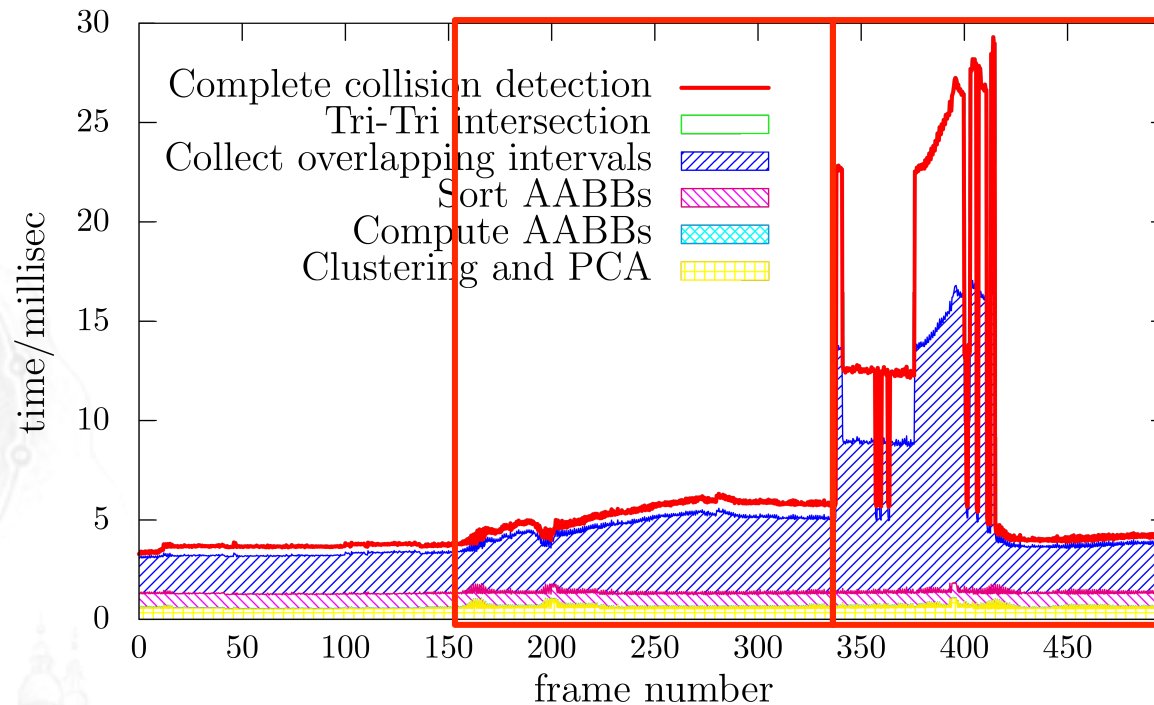
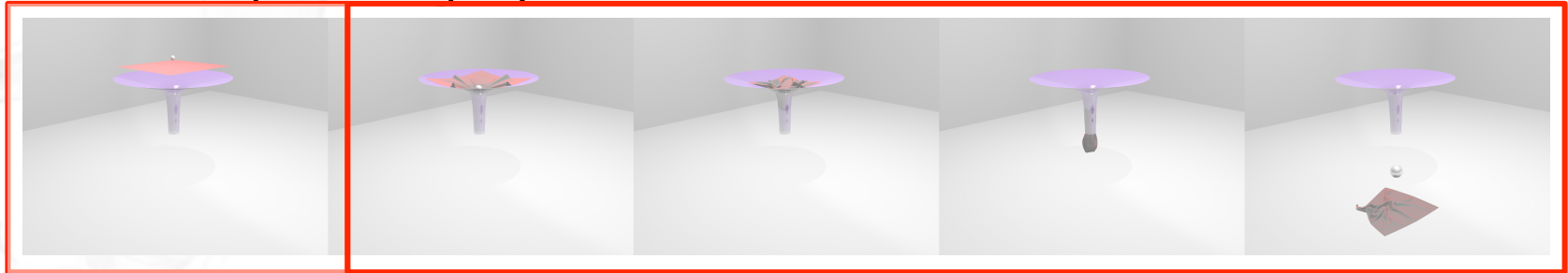
- Cloth (92k triangles) drops down on a rotating ball (760)





Results: Funnel Benchmark

- Ball (1.7k triangles) passes a cloth (14.4k triangles) through a funnel (2k triangles)





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- Improving the PCA process \rightarrow reduce number of false positives
- Virtual subdivision for extremely large triangles
- Extend to perform other proximity queries