

Geometric Structures

4. Bounding Volumes

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Bounding volumes

- Auxiliary set containing one or more objects
- Simple object shape, usually not suitable for exact representation
- Transfer of computation from object to bounding volume



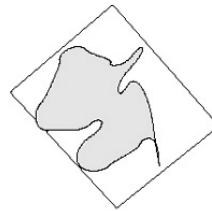
AABB



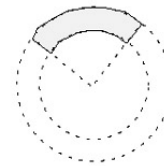
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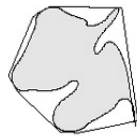
DOP



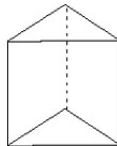
OBB



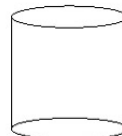
spherical
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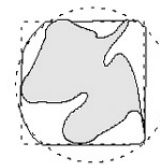
convex hull



prism



cylinder



intersection of
other BVs

Bounding volumes

- <http://www.geometrictools.com/index.html>
- Algorithm prerequisites
 - Creating volume from set of points, ...
 - Volume approximation precision
 - Intersection with other bounding volume
 - Intersection with line
 - Point location
 - Rigid body object transformations (rotation, scale, translation)
 - Union of two volumes, creating new volume

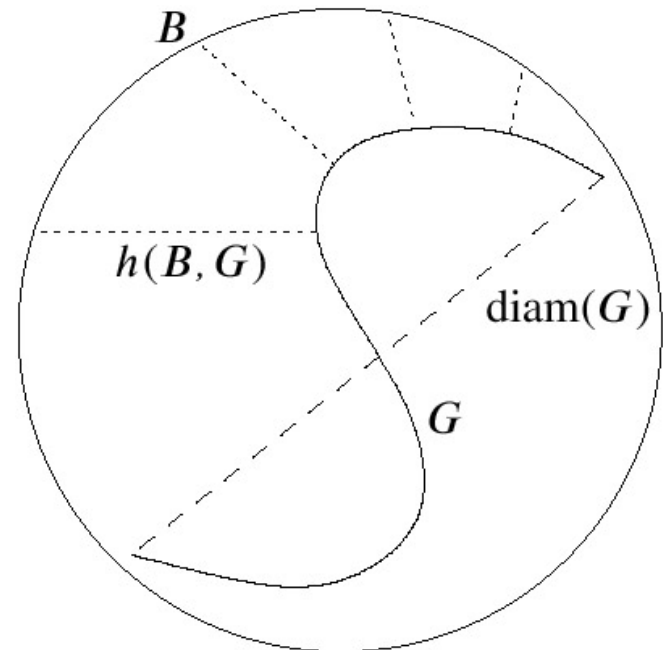
Approximation precision

- Cost, distance function between object and its bounding volume
- Using Hausdorff distance
- Object volume matters

$$h(B, G) = \max_{b \in B} \min_{g \in G} d(b, g)$$

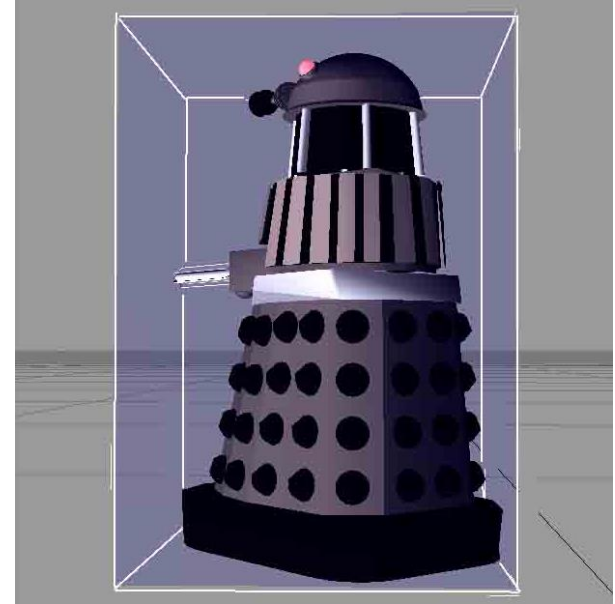
$$\text{diam}(G) = \max_{g, f \in G} d(g, f)$$

$$\tau := \frac{h(B, G)}{\text{diam}(G)}.$$



AABB

- Axis-aligned bounding box
- d-dimensional interval
- Simple volume creation
- Simple intersections
- Complex transformations
- Worst approximation, max. 0.5



AABB

- Creation – finding min-max values
- Intersection – comparing min-max values
- Transformation – recomputations needed

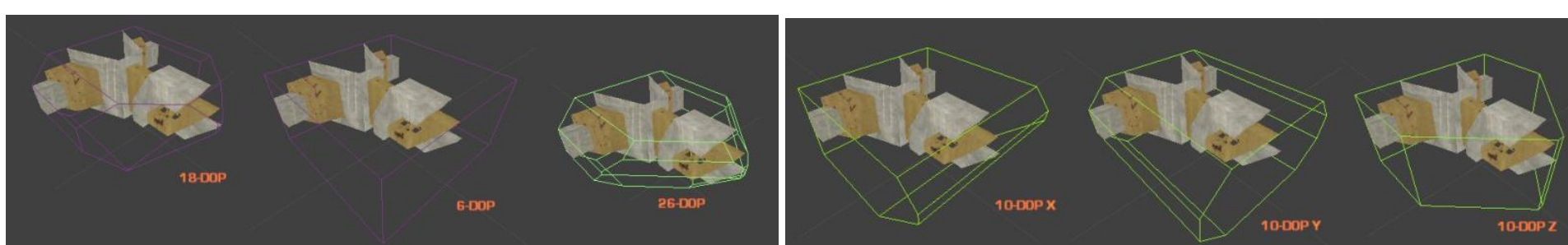
```
struct AABB
{
    float fMinX, fMaxX;
    float fMinY, fMaxY;
    float fMinZ, fMaxZ;
}
```

```
AABBIntersection(AABB v1, AABB v2)
{
    if (v1.fMaxX < v2.fMinX) return false;
    if (v1.fMinX > v2.fMaxX) return false;
    if (v1.fMaxY < v2.fMinY) return false;
    if (v1.fMinY > v2.fMaxY) return false;
    if (v1.fMaxZ < v2.fMinZ) return false;
    if (v1.fMinZ > v2.fMaxZ) return false;
    return true;
}
```

```
CreateAABB(vector<Point3D> points)
{
    AABB result;
    result.fMinX = result.fMinY = result.fMinZ = MAX_FLOAT;
    result.fMaxX = result.fMaxY = result.fMaxZ = MIN_FLOAT;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        if (points[i].x < result.fMinX) result.fMinX = points[i].x;
        if (points[i].x > result.fMaxX) result.fMaxX = points[i].x;
        if (points[i].y < result.fMinY) result.fMinY = points[i].y;
        if (points[i].y > result.fMaxY) result.fMaxY = points[i].y;
        if (points[i].z < result.fMinZ) result.fMinZ = points[i].z;
        if (points[i].z > result.fMaxZ) result.fMaxZ = points[i].z;
    }
    return result;
}
```

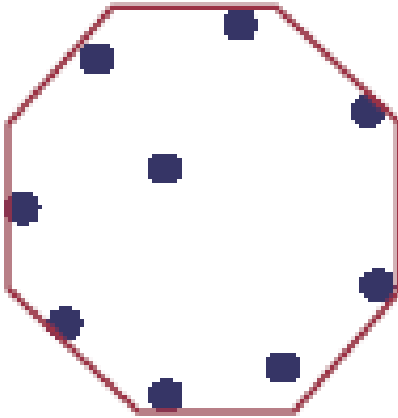
k-DOP

- Discrete Oriented Polytope, Polytop – polygon, polyhedron...
- Intersection of k half-spaces, convex hull is smallest k -DOP
- Usually defined by $k / 2$ directions and represented by min and max values in each direction
- AABB is k -DOP with directions given by coordinate axis

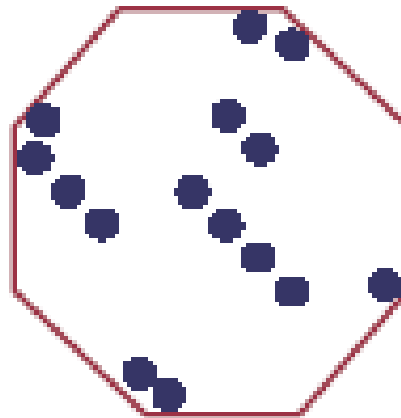


k-DOP

- Better approximation, depends on data
- 2D: $k = 4, 8$; 3D: $k = 6, 18, 26$
- Similar algorithms complexity as for AABB



good choice



quite good choice

```
struct kDOP
{
    static vector<Vector3> directions;
    Point3 center;
    vector<float> min_values;
    vector<float> max_values;
}
```


k-DOP

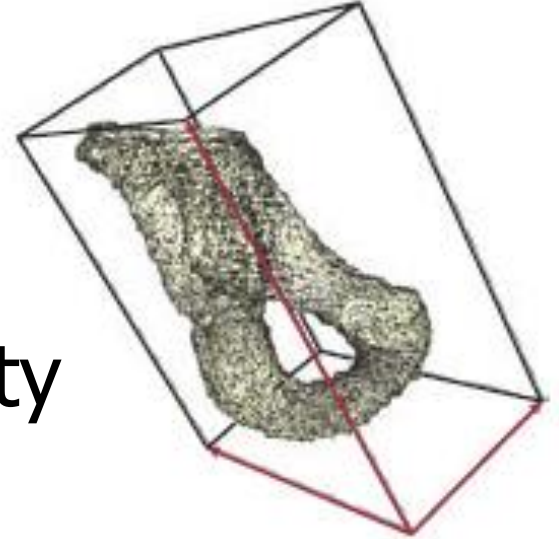
```
CreateKDOP(vector<Point3D> points)
{
    KDOP result;
    result.center.x = result.center.y = result.center.z = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        result.center.x += points[i].x / points.size();
        result.center.y += points[i].y / points.size();
        result.center.z += points[i].z / points.size();
    }
    for (int j = 0; j < result.directions.size(); j++)
    {
        result.min_values[j].push_back(MAX_FLOAT);
        result.max_values[j].push_back(MIN_FLOAT);
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        Point3 X = points[i];
        for (int j = 0; j < result.directions.size(); j++)
        {
            Vector3 v = result.directions[j]; Point3 O = result.center;
            float t = (X.x*v.x+X.y*v.y+X.z*v.z-O.x*v.x-O.y*v.y-O.z*v.z);
            t = t / (v.x*v.x+v.y*v.y+v.z*v.z);
            if (t < result.min_values[j]) result.min_values[j] = t;
            if (t > result.max_values[j]) result.max_values[j] = t;
        }
    }
    return result;
}
```

```
KDOPIntersection(KDOP v1, KDOP v2)
{
    Point3 O1 = v1.center; Point3 O2 = v2.center;
    for (int j = 0; j < v1.directions.size(); j++)
    {
        Vector3 v = v1.directions[j];
        float t = (O2.x*v.x+O2.y*v.y+O2.z*v.z-O1.x*v.x-O1.y*v.y-O1.z*v.z);
        t = t / (v.x*v.x+v.y*v.y+v.z*v.z);
        if (v1.min_values[j] > (v2.max_values[j] + t)) return false;
        if (v1.max_values[j] < (v2.min_values[j] + t)) return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```

```
PointInsideKDOP(KDOP v, Point3 P)
{
    Point3 O = v.center;
    for (int j = 0; j < v.directions.size(); j++)
    {
        Vector3 v = v.directions[j];
        float t = (P.x*v.x+P.y*v.y+P.z*v.z-O.x*v.x-O.y*v.y-O.z*v.z);
        t = t / (v.x*v.x+v.y*v.y+v.z*v.z);
        if (v.min_values[j] > t) return false;
        if (v.max_values[j] < t) return false;
    }
    return true;
}
```

OBB

- Oriented Bounding Box
- Rotated d-dimensional interval
- Better approximation
- Test with higher time complexity
- Better transformations



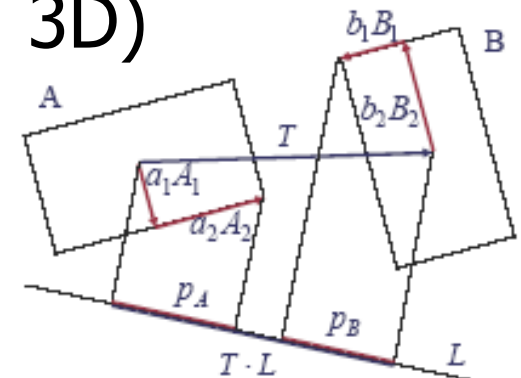
OBB

- Intersection of two OBB – finding „separating axis“
 - Line on which projections of both OBB do not intersect
- Two objects A and B do not intersect if there is some line p such that projections of A and B onto line p do not intersect
- Direction p is defined using boundary polygons orientations of objects A and B and using cross product of edges from A and B (in 3D)

$$p_A = |a_1 A_1 L| + |a_2 A_2 L|$$

$$p_B = |b_1 B_1 L| + |b_2 B_2 L|$$

$$\exists L : |T \cdot L| > p_A + p_B \quad \text{or} \quad \exists L \in \{A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2\} : |T \cdot L| > p_A + p_B$$



OBB

```
struct OBB
{
    Point3 center;
    Vector3 v1, v2, v3;
    float fMin1, fMin2, fMin3;
    float fMax1, fMax2, fMax3;
}
```

```
ComputeDirections(vector<Point3> points)
{
    Point3 center;
    center.x = center.y = center.z = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        center.x += points[i].x / points.size();
        center.y += points[i].y / points.size();
        center.z += points[i].z / points.size();
    }
    Matrix3 C; C[0][0] = C[1][0] = C[2][0] = C[0][1] = C[1][1] = ... = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        C[0][0] += (points[i].x - center.x) * (points[i].x - center.x) / points.size();
        C[1][0] += (points[i].y - center.y) * (points[i].x - center.x) / points.size();
        C[2][0] += (points[i].z - center.z) * (points[i].x - center.x) / points.size();
        C[0][1] += (points[i].x - center.x) * (points[i].y - center.y) / points.size();
        .....
    }
    return C.Eigenvectors();
}
```

```
CreateOBB(vector<Point3> points)
{
    OBB result;
    result.center.x = result.center.y = result.center.z = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        result.center.x += points[i].x / points.size();
        result.center.y += points[i].y / points.size();
        result.center.z += points[i].z / points.size();
    }
    (result.v1, result.v2, result.v3) = ComputeDirections(points);
    result.fMin1 = result.fMin2 = result.fMin3 = MAX_FLOAT;
    result.fMax1 = result.fMax2 = result.fMax3 = MIN_FLOAT;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        Point3 X = points[i];
        float t1 = (X.x*v1.x+X.y*v1.y+X.z*v1.z);
        t1 = t1 / (v1.x*v1.x+v1.y*v1.y+v1.z*v1.z);
        if (t1 < result.fMin1) result.fMin1 = t1;
        if (t1 > result.fMax1) result.fMax1 = t1;
        // .... Same for other two directions
    }
    return result;
}
```

OBB

```
PointInsideOBB(Point3 P, OBB v)
{
    Point3 O = v.origin;
    float t = (P.x*v.v1.x+P.y*v.v1.y+P.z*v.v1.z-O.x*v.v1.x-O.y*v.v1.y-O.z*v.v1.z);
    t = t / (v.v1.x*v.v1.x+v.v1.y*v.v1.y+v.v1.z*v.v1.z);
    if (t < v.fMin1) return false;
    if (t > v.fMax1) return false;
    t = (P.x*v.v2.x+P.y*v.v2.y+P.z*v.v2.z-O.x*v.v2.x-O.y*v.v2.y-O.z*v.v2.z);
    t = t / (v.v2.x*v.v2.x+v.v2.y*v.v2.y+v.v2.z*v.v2.z);
    if (t < v.fMin2) return false;
    if (t > v.fMax2) return false;
    t = (P.x*v.v3.x+P.y*v.v3.y+P.z*v.v3.z-O.x*v.v3.x-O.y*v.v3.y-O.z*v.v3.z);
    t = t / (v.v3.x*v.v3.x+v.v3.y*v.v3.y+v.v3.z*v.v3.z);
    if (t < v.fMin3) return false;
    if (t > v.fMax3) return false;
    return true;
}
```

```
RayPlaneIntersection(Ray r, Vector3 normal, float plane4)
{
    Point3 result;
    float t = -plane4 - normal.x*r.start.x - normal.y*r.start.y - normal.z*r.start.z;
    t = t / (normal.x*v.v1.x+normal.y*v.v1.y+normal.z*v.v1.z);
    result.x = r.start.x + t * v.dir.x;
    result.y = r.start.y + t * v.dir.y;
    result.z = r.start.z + t * v.dir.z;
    return result;
}
```

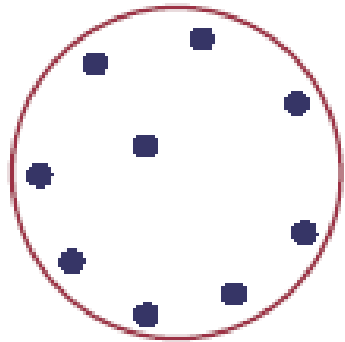
```
struct Ray
{
    Point3 start;
    Vector3 dir;
}
```

```
RayOBBIntersection(Ray r, OBB v)
{
    Point3 plane;
    plane.x = v.origin.x + v.fMin1*v.v1.x;
    plane.y = v.origin.y + v.fMin1*v.v1.y;
    plane.z = v.origin.z + v.fMin1*v.v1.z;
    float d = -v.v1.x*plane.x-v.v1.y*plane.y-v.v1.z*plane.z;
    Point3 I = RayPlaneIntersection(r, v.v1, d);
    if (PointInsideOBB(I, v))
        return true;

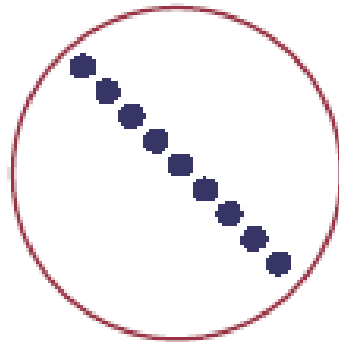
    plane.x = v.origin.x + v.fMax1*v.v1.x;
    plane.y = v.origin.y + v.fMax1*v.v1.y;
    plane.z = v.origin.z + v.fMax1*v.v1.z;
    float d = -v.v1.x*plane.x-v.v1.y*plane.y-v.v1.z*plane.z;
    I = RayPlaneIntersection(r, v.v1, d);
    if (PointInsideOBB(I, v))
        return true;
    // same for remaining two directions v2, v3
    .....
    return false;
}
```

Sphere, ellipse

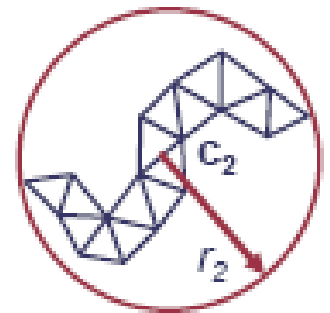
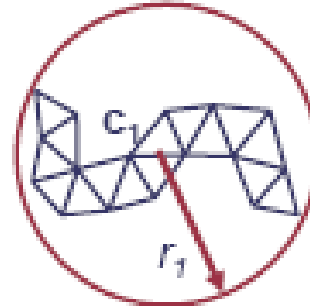
- Good for transformations
- Simple computations, intersections
- Construction: smallest bounding sphere, sphere bounding AABB, OBB



good choice



bad choice



$$(c_1 - c_2)(c_1 - c_2) > (r_1 + r_2)^2$$

Sphere

```
struct BoundingSphere
{
    Point3 center;
    float radius;
}
```

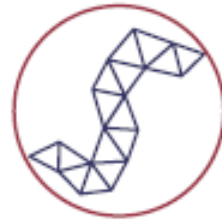
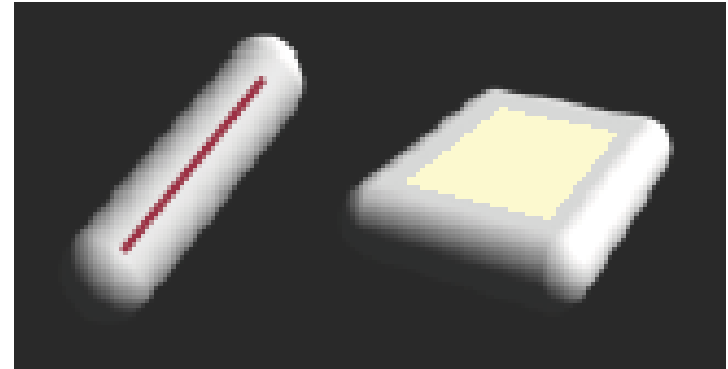
```
CreateBoundingSphere(vector<Point3> points)
{
    BoundingSphere result;
    result.center.x = result.center.y = result.center.z = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        result.center.x += points[i].x / points.size();
        result.center.y += points[i].y / points.size();
        result.center.z += points[i].z / points.size();
    }
    result.radius = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < points.size(); i++)
    {
        float t = (points[i].x - result.center.x)^2 +
                  (points[i].y - result.center.y)^2 +
                  (points[i].z - result.center.z)^2;
        if (t > result.radius) result.radius = t;
    }
    result.radius = sqrt(result.radius);
    return result;
}
```

```
BoundingSphereIntersection(BoundingSphere v1, BoundingSphere v2)
{
    float d = (v1.center.x - v2.center.x)^2 +
              (v1.center.y - v2.center.y)^2 +
              (v1.center.z - v2.center.z)^2;
    if ((v1.radius + v2.radius) > sqrt(d))
        return true;
    else
        return false;
}
```

```
RayBoundingSphereIntersection(BoundingSphere s, Ray r)
{
    Point3 S = s.center;
    Vector3 v = r.dir;
    Point3 O = r.start;
    float dis = v.x*(O.x-S.x)+v.y*(O.y-S.y)+v.z*(O.z-S.z);
    dis = dis*dis;
    dis = dis - (v.x*v.x+v.y*v.y+v.z*v.z)*
               ((O.x-S.x)^2+(O.y-S.y)^2+(O.z-S.z)^2-s.radius^2);
    if (dis < 0)
        return false;
    else
        return true;
}
```

Other bounding volumes

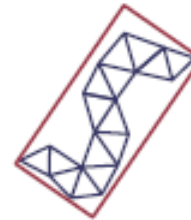
- Ellipsoids
- Cylinders, boxes
- Convex hulls
- Extended spherical volumes
- Combinations



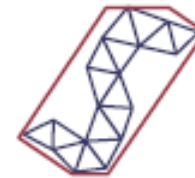
sphere



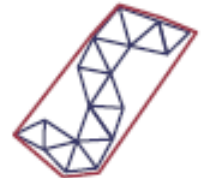
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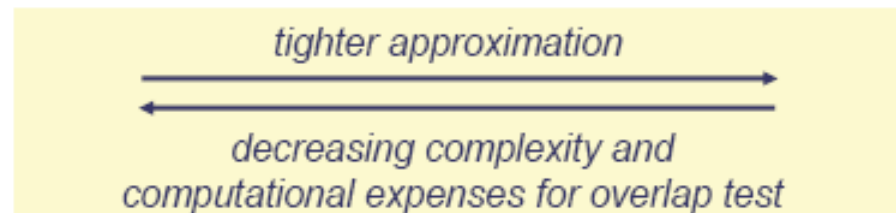
OBB



6-DOP

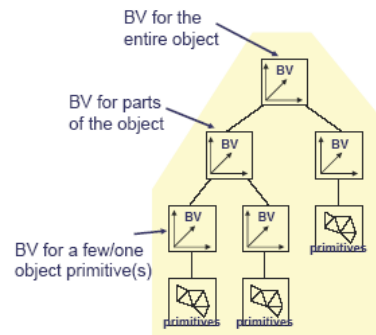


convex
hull

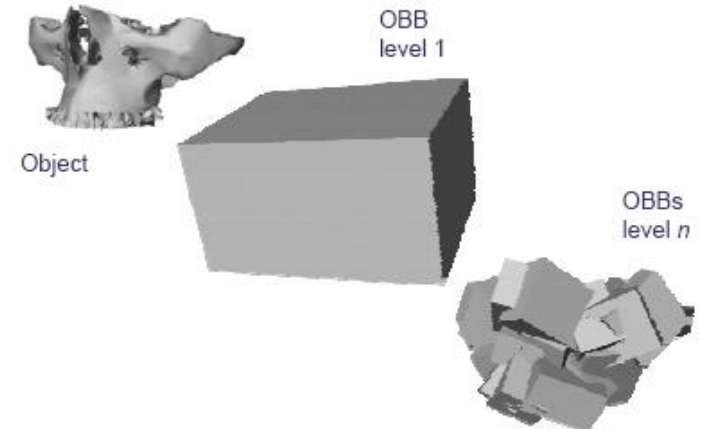
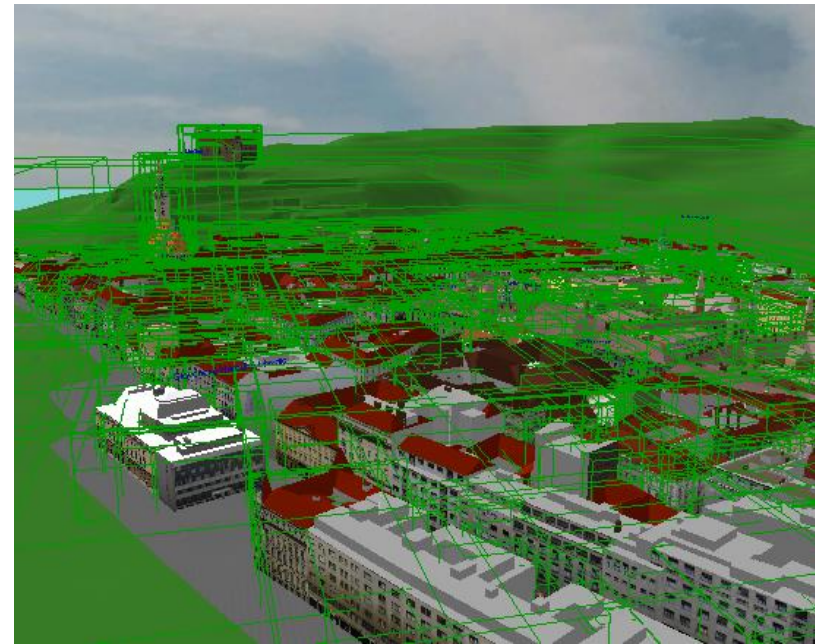
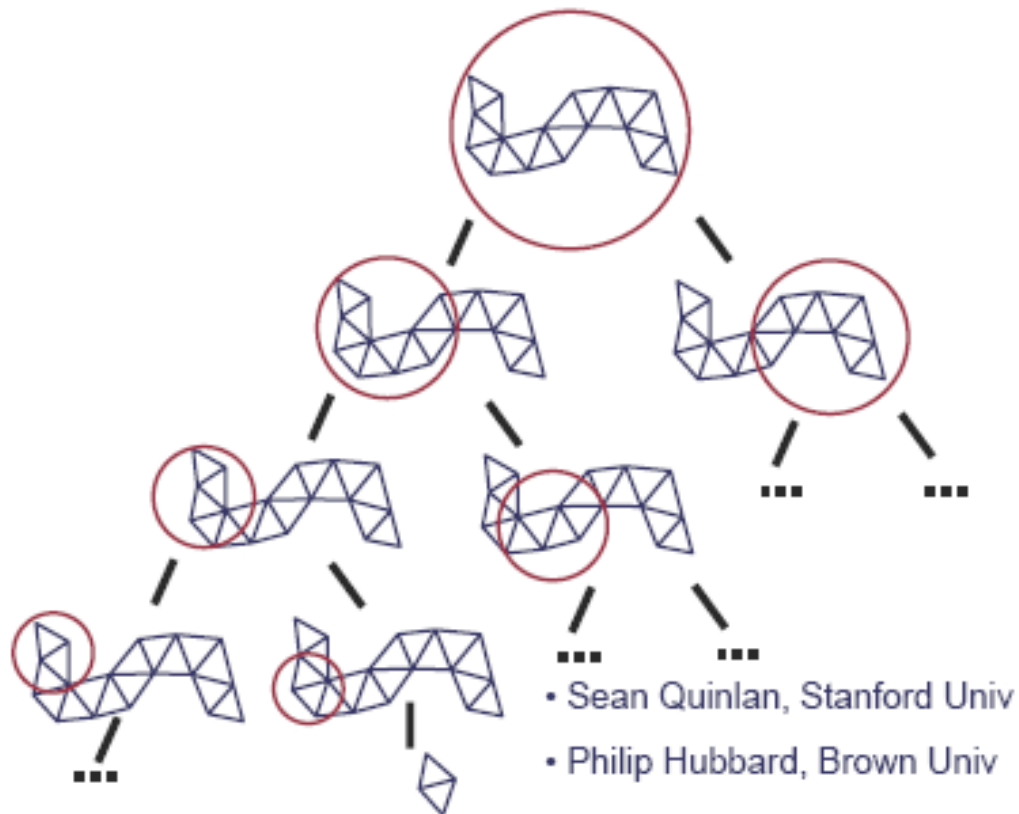


Bounding Volumes Hierarchy

- Tree of bounding volumes
- Let $O = \{o_1, \dots, o_n\}$ is the set of objects
- Then BVH for set O is defined:
 - if $|O| \leq e$, then $BVH(O)$ is leaf that stores O and also stores bounding volume of O
 - if $|O| > e$, then $BVH(O)$ is node with m siblings v_i , $i=1, \dots, m$, where v_i are $BVH(O_i)$ created using sets of objects O_i , $O = \cup O_i$, $BVH(O)$ also stores bounding volume of O



BVH examples

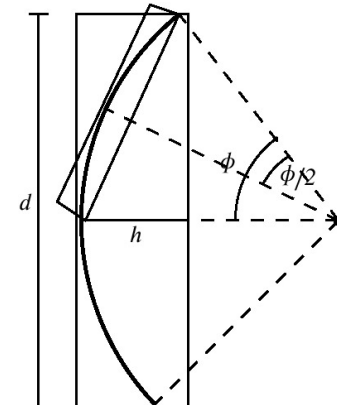
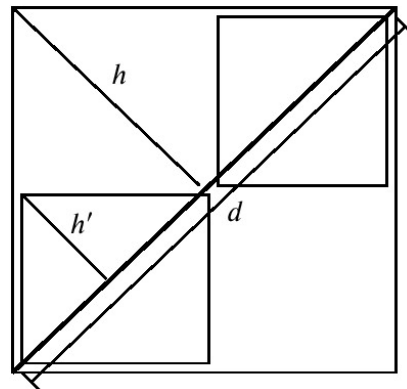


BVH approximation precision

- Volumetric tightness
- $C(v)$ are siblings of v , $L(v)$ are leafs of v

$$\tau := \frac{\text{Vol}(v)}{\sum_{v' \in C(v)} \text{Vol}(v')}, \quad \tau := \frac{\text{Vol}(v)}{\sum_{v' \in L(v)} \text{Vol}(v')},$$

- For AABB, tightness does not change very much, based on geometry orientation
- For OBB, tightness is growing, based on curvature



BVH construction criteria

- Balanced tree
- Dividing volumes or objects
- How to divide volumes or objects
- Redundancy minimization (if the object is stored in multiple nodes or not)
- Number of object primitives in leafs
- Type of geometry search
- Cost functions for nodes of tree

BVH construction

- Bottom-up:
 - Starting with separate objects
 - Create bounding volume for each object
 - Recursively cluster bounding volumes and objects into bigger parts
 - First creating leafs of tree, then, traversing up
 - Last node created is root storing bounding volume for all objects

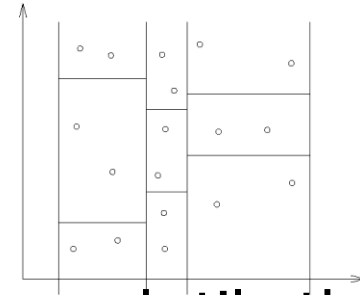
Clustering

- Greedy:

- Sort volumes based on distance from each other
- In order choose first k volumes and create new parent in hierarchy for those k nodes

- Tiling:

- For each volume compute center
- Split the space on $\sqrt[d]{n/k}$ tiles such that in each tile there is same count of primitives k (first in x direction, then y)
- Created tiling has k nodes (volumes) in each tile, for each tile create new parent node with siblings given by nodes in tile
- Recursively traverse till root node is processed



BVH construction

- Insertion

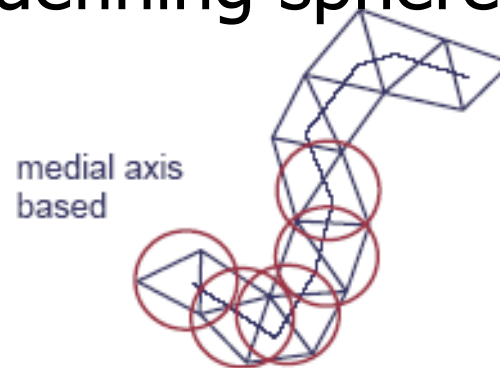
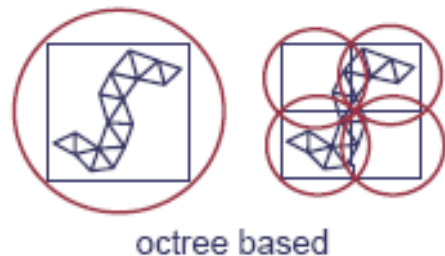
```
void BVH_Insert (B)
{
    while (|B| > 0)
    {
        b = B.pop; v = root; // vybratie dobreho b je dolezite
        while (!v.IsLeaf())
        {
            choose child v', so that insertion of b into v' causes minimal increase in the
            costs of the total tree;
            v = v';
        }
    }
}
```

BVH construction

- Top-down
 - Starting with whole scene (or object)
 - Creating bounding volume for whole scene
 - Volume (objects) split in k parts
 - Recursive subdivision
 - Finishing when current volume (node) has primitives count less than given threshold

Spherical BVH construction

- Creation of top-down BVH using octree structure
- Hubbard, O'Sullivan:
 - Approximating each object or primitive using sphere and create BVH tree bottom-up
 - Create homogenous structure of nodes for redundancy removal
 - Compute medial axis for defining sphere centers



Cost functions

- Raytracing: cost function based on bounding volume area, $a = x, y, z, \dots$

$$k^a = \min_{j=0 \dots n} \left\{ \frac{\text{Area}(b_1, \dots, b_j)}{\text{Area}(B)} j + \frac{\text{Area}(b_{j+1}, \dots, b_n)}{\text{Area}(B)} (n - j) \right\}$$

- Frustum culling: using volume instead of area
- Collision detection: comparing multiple trees and its parts, minimalizing $C(A, B)$

$$C(A, B) = 4 + \sum_{i,j=1,2} P(A_i, B_j) \cdot C(A_i, B_j),$$

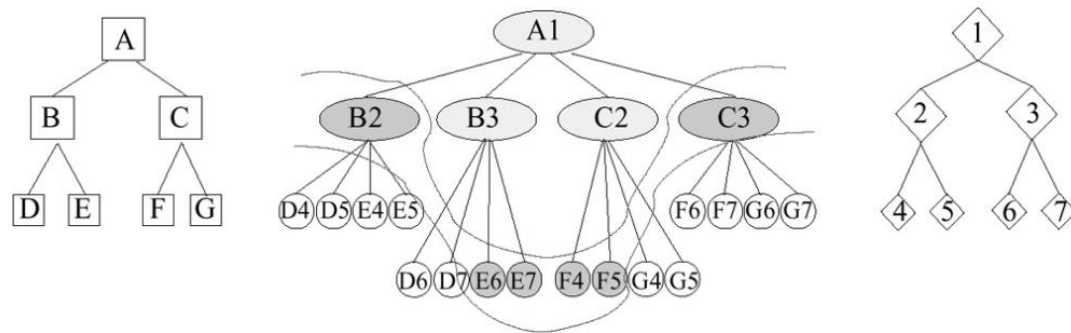
$$C(A, B) \approx 4(1 + P(A_1, B_1) + \dots + P(A_2, B_2)).$$

$$P(A_1, B_1) \approx \frac{\text{Vol}(A_1) + \text{Vol}(B_1)}{\text{Vol}(A) + \text{Vol}(B)}.$$

Collision detection

- Checking if some objects intersect → checking intersection of its simple primitives
- Traversing two trees
- Creating *bounding volume test tree* (BVTT)
- Usage of coherence

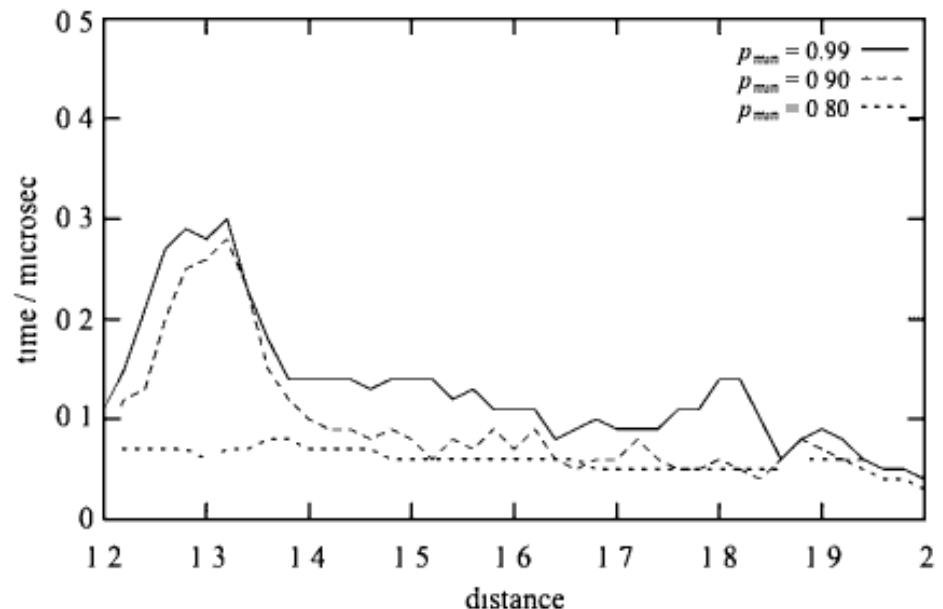
```
traverse(A,B)
{
    if ( $A \cap B == 0$ )
        return NULL;
    if (A.IsLeaf() && B.IsLeaf())
        return A.primitives  $\cap$  B.primitives;
    for (all children A[i] and B[j])
        traverse(A[i],B[j]);
}
```



Stochastic collision detection

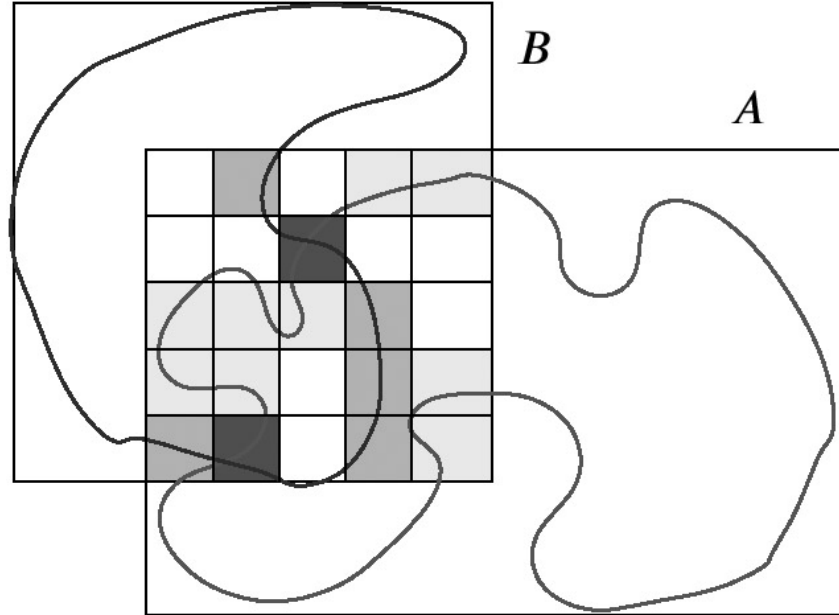
- Finding parts of tree that will be handled with higher priority
- Intersection probability → external description of primitives in volume

```
traverse(A, B)
{
    q.insert(A, B, 1);
    while (!q.isEmpty())
    {
        (A, B) = q.pop();
        for (all children  $A_i$  and  $B_j$ )
        {
             $p = P[A_i, B_j]$ ;
            if ( $p > \text{thresh}$ )
                return "collision";
            else if ( $p > 0$ )
                q.insert( $A_i, B_j, p$ );
        }
    }
}
```



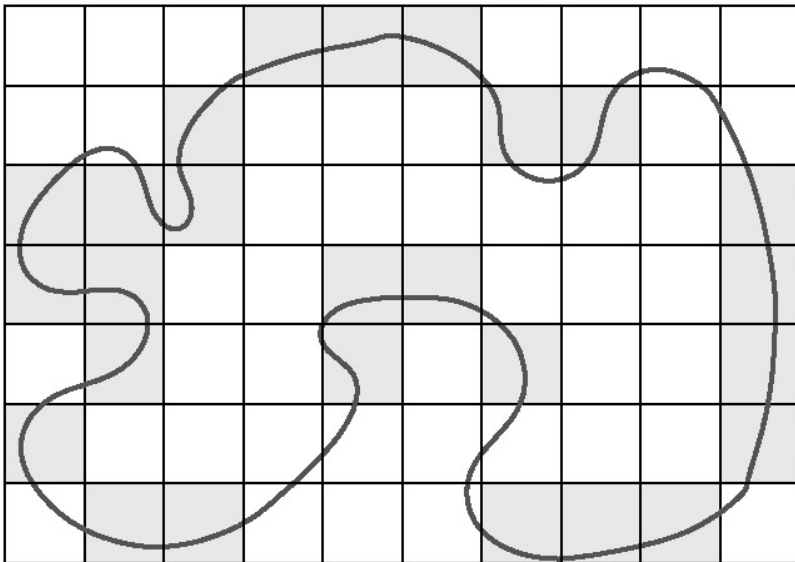
Intersection probability

- Use regular grid in $A \cap B$
- In each cell of grid, compute density of primitives of A and B
- Compute count of probable collision cells



Stochastic solution

- When creating volume for one object
- Represent volume using regular grid
- Compute number of cells with higher density and store this value with volume - s_A



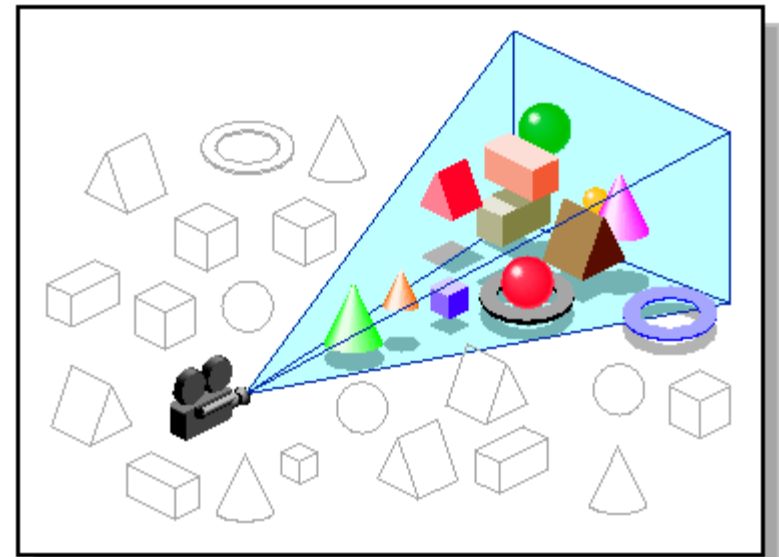
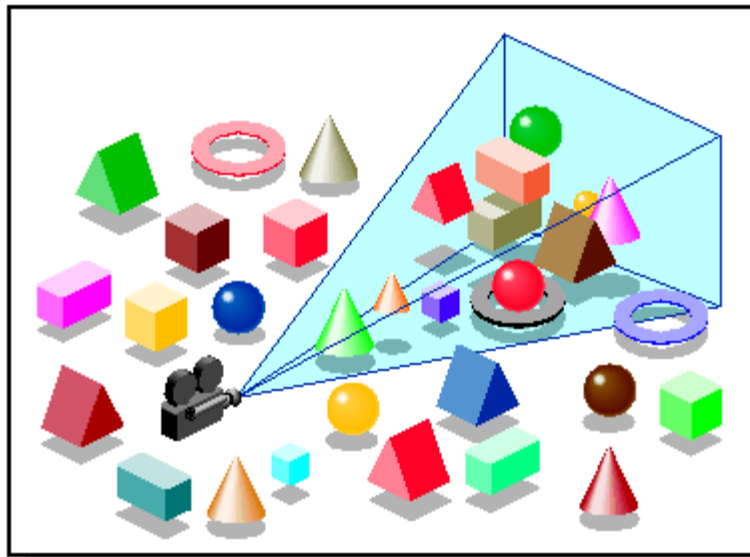
$$s'_A = s_A \frac{\text{Vol}(A)}{\text{Vol}(A \cap B)},$$

$$P[c(A \cap B) \geq x] = 1 - \sum_{t=0}^{x-1} \frac{\binom{s_A}{t} \binom{s - s_A}{s_B - t}}{\binom{s}{s_B}}.$$

Probability, that in intersection of A and B is at least x cells with higher density

Frustum culling

- Finding and rendering only objects lying inside viewing frustum volume
- Recursive testing for intersection of bounding volume and viewing frustum

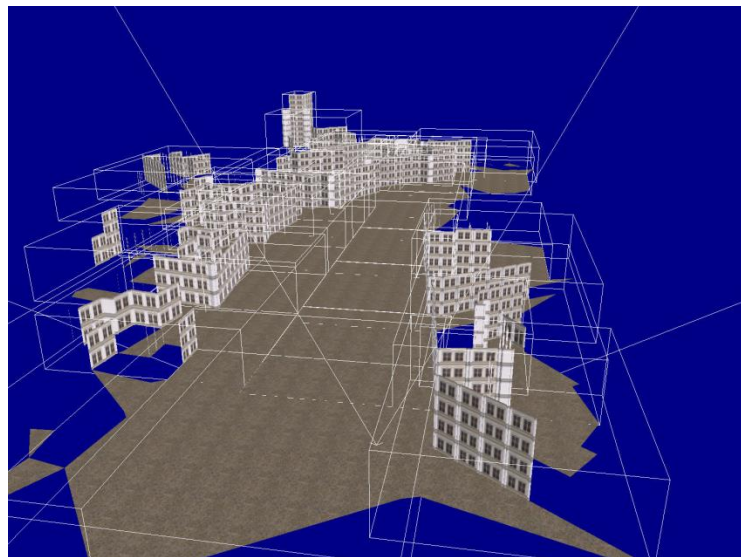
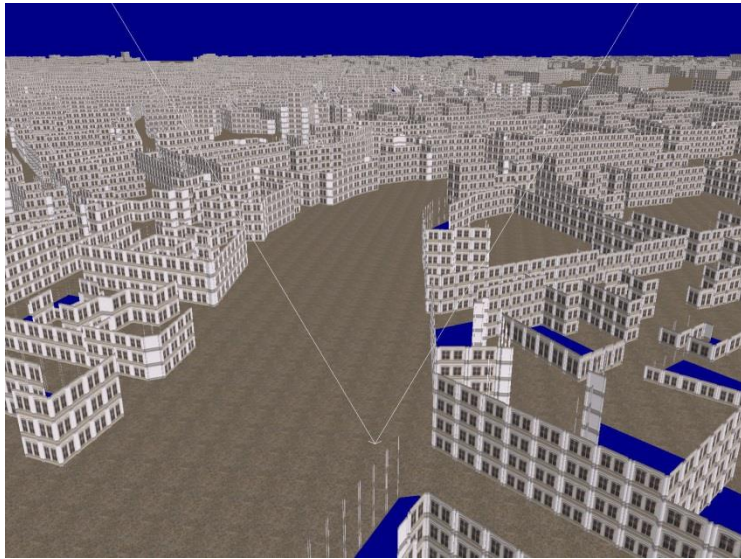


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Occlusion culling

- Rendering only really visible objects, dropping objects that are fully occluded by other objects
- Needed to compute number of visible pixels on screen for some rendered object
- Algorithm:
 - Render large objects near camera
 - Render only bounding volume of other objects, if volume has some visible pixels on screen, then render also whole object
 - Usually also using front-to-back rendering (BSP)

Occlusion culling

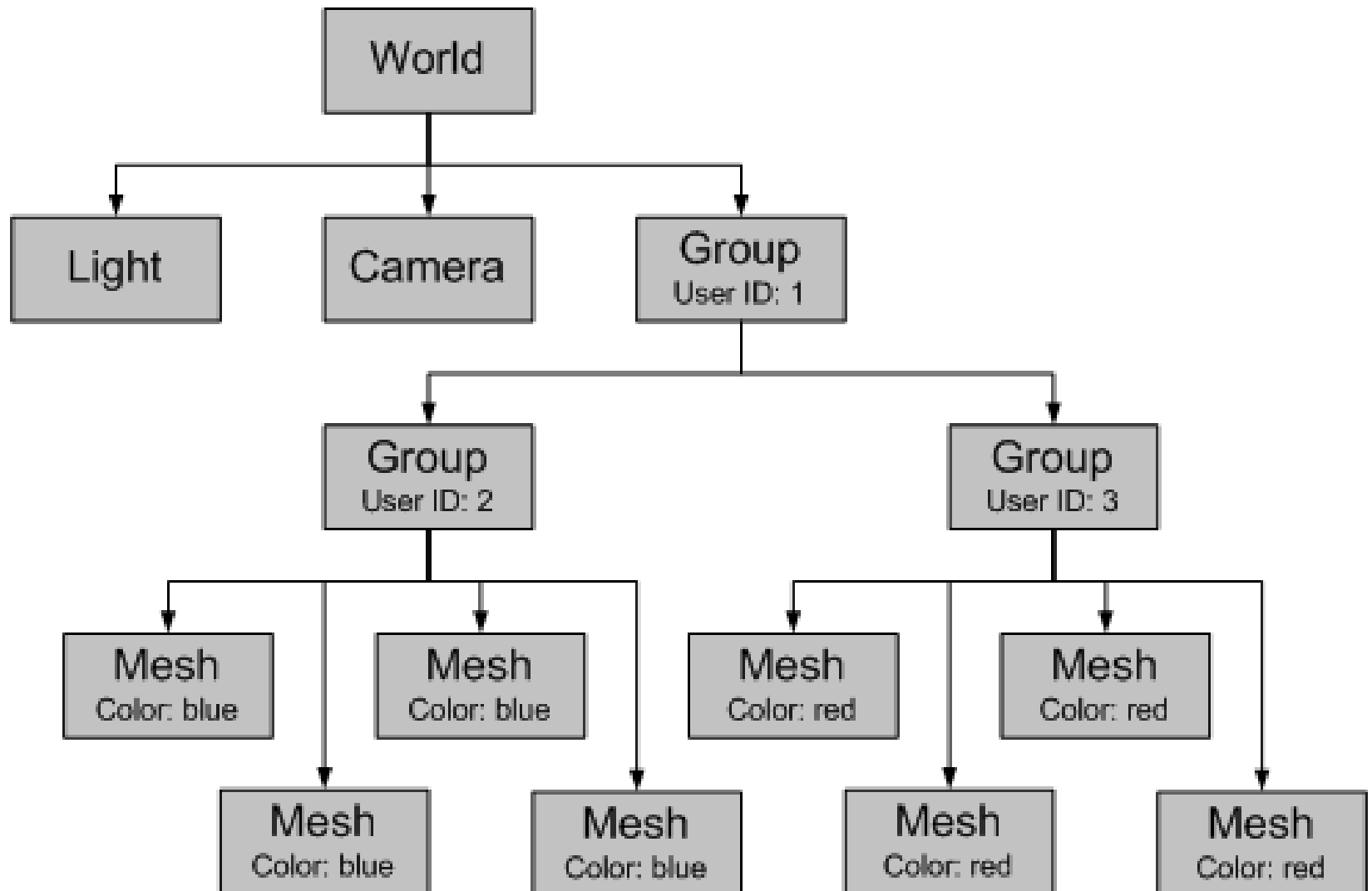


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Scene graph

- Simulating hierarchies of objects in scene
- Better and faster access of data
- Can be combined with bounding volumes
- Dynamic scenes: bottom-up update
- Each scene graph node has several parameters:
 - local, global transformation
 - rendering attributes
 - bounding volume

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Questions?