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Planar point location

Manifold and surface reconstruction

Shape matching

Approximate shortest path

Prove theorems.

Sometimes complement the theorems with software.



Which state am I in? There are O(n) space and O(log n) query time solutions.



What if the access frequencies of the states are different and changing?



What are the largest subsets that can be overlaid under translation and rotation so that the bottleneck distance is smaller than eps? Find subsets A and B such that $|A| = |B| \ge \text{optimal size}$ such that the bottleneck distance is at most $(1 + \eta)\varepsilon$.

• In
$$O\left(\frac{n^2m^2}{\eta}(n+m)\log n\right)$$
 time for rigid motions in the plane.

• In
$$O\left(\frac{nm}{\eta^5}(n+m)^{1.5}\log n\right)$$
 time for translations in \mathbb{R}^3





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Task-parallel implementation of 3D shortest path raytracing for geophysical applications

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Seismometer array		
for imaging	Earthquake source region Mantle	
seismic ray pa	aths	

Efficient Polynomial-Time (1+eps)-Approximation Algorithms

Approx. shortest descending path, SODA13

Approx. shortest path in the plane with direction-dependent travel costs, SODA07

Approx. shortest path on a terrain with a linear combination cost of length and total ascent, STOC14

Approx. shortest path through weighted regions, SODA15