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Point Location in Trapezoidal Maps

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Outline

- Trapezoidal map
 - map layout
 - trapezoids
 - map structure
- Incremental construction
 - search structure
 - incremental algorithm
- 3 Computation costs
 - point location
 - storage
 - preprocessing





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Planar *point location* problem

• For a planar subdivison *S* with *n* edges

• Given a query point q

- Report the face *f* (edge *e*, vertex *v*) of *S* such that *q* ∈ *f* (*q* ∈ *e*, *q* = *v*)
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Naïve trapezoidal map of a planar subdivision



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Naïve trapezoidal map of a planar subdivision



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Naïve trapezoidal map of a planar subdivision: slab



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Point location

• Binary search for the *slab* containing the query point q

 Binary search within the slab for the *trapezoid* containing the query point q

- No more than 2n + 1 slabs and n + 1 trapezoids within a slab
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Heavy data structure

Easy to figure out worst-case arrangements requiring $O(n^2)$ raw storage



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- Provisional general position assumption: no two vertices of S with the same x
- Upward and downward *vertical extensions* from each vertex of *S*
- The extensions stop when they meet an edge of *S* or a wall of the bounding box *B*
- *Trapezoidal map* of *S* = subdivision induced by *S*, *B* + *upper* and *lower* vertical extensions

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- *n* original edges and $\Theta(n)$ original vertices
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- Regions between two original segments (above/below) and two vertical extensions (left/right)
- Possibly one degenerate vertical wall \rightarrow point
- Possibly bounding box's wall(s) instead of original segment(s) or vertical extension(s)
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Items defining a trapezoid

Trapezoid τ :

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- Bottom edge: b_{τ}
- Left vertex: I_{τ}
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Classification based on left boundary





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Classification based on left boundary



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• Events: O(n) vertices of the original subdivision S

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Point-location structure

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Trapezoidal map and related DAG





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Search through the DAG





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• Edges are added one at a time

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Finding trapezoids in conflict with a new edge

• Point location of *e*'s left endpoint (current DAG)

- \rightarrow leftmost trapezoid au_1 in conflict with e
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In summary: Locate leftmost endpoint of new edge...





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In summary: Start from leftmost trapezoid in conflict





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In summary: Update trapezoid...





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In summary: ... and walk along edge





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In summary: Split & merge new trapezoids...





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In summary: ... up to the rightmost endpoint





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In summary: At the end Map and DAG are updated





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Outline

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- For given planar subdivision S and query point q
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Point location costs: Trapezoid τ_i is created at step *i*



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Point location costs: Step *i* contributes N_i nodes on π



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... But may not contribute nodes on a different path


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• Let us choose a particular set of *i* edges

- Also the resulting subdivision S_i is then fixed
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- \rightarrow Number of DAG's leaves = O(n)
- Then size of DAG

$$= O(n) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\{inner nodes created at step i\}|$$

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$$\Rightarrow x' \leq x \leq x'' \quad (\epsilon \text{ small})$$



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