More Branch and Bound Algorithms

Algorithmic Problems Around the Web #3

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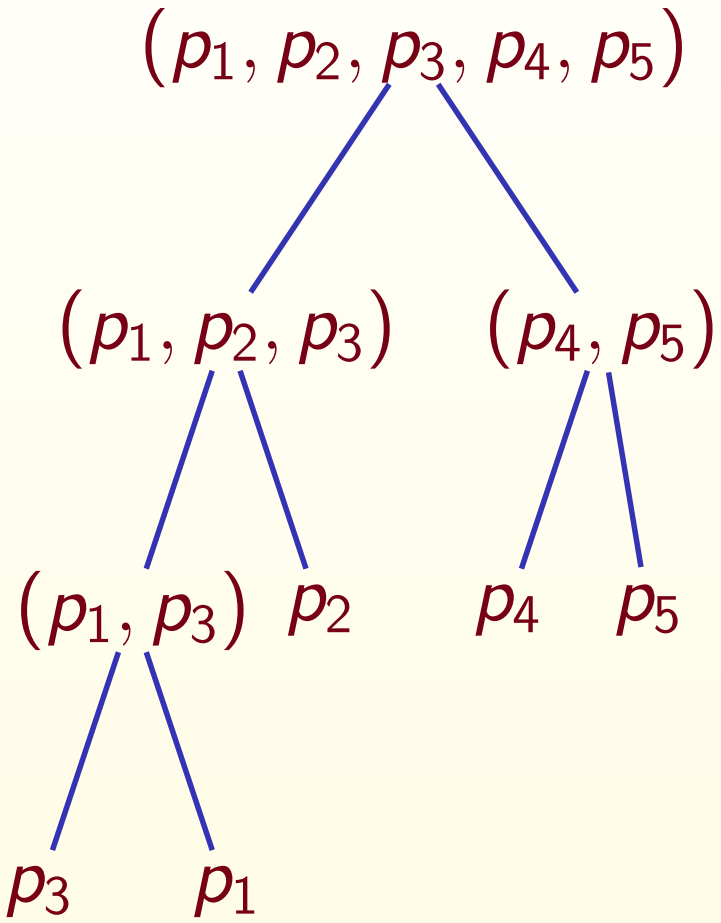
Part I

Variations of Metric Trees

Branch and Bound: Range Search

Task: find all $i \quad d(p_i, q) \leq r$:

1. Make a depth-first traversal of search hierarchy
2. At every node compute the lower bound for its subtree
3. Prune branches with lower bounds above r



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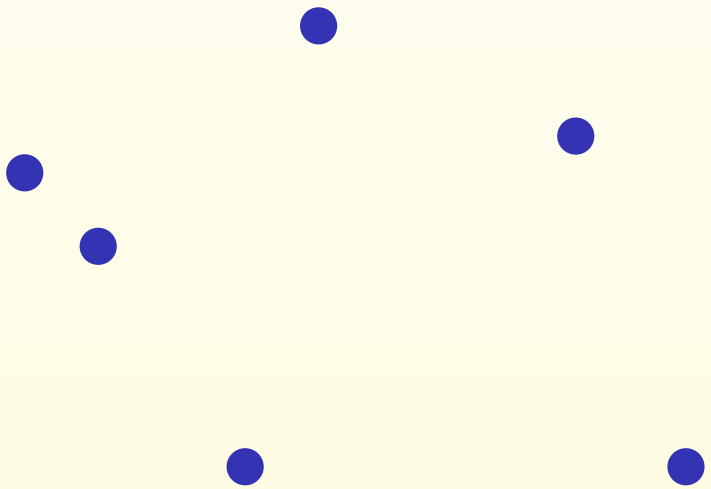

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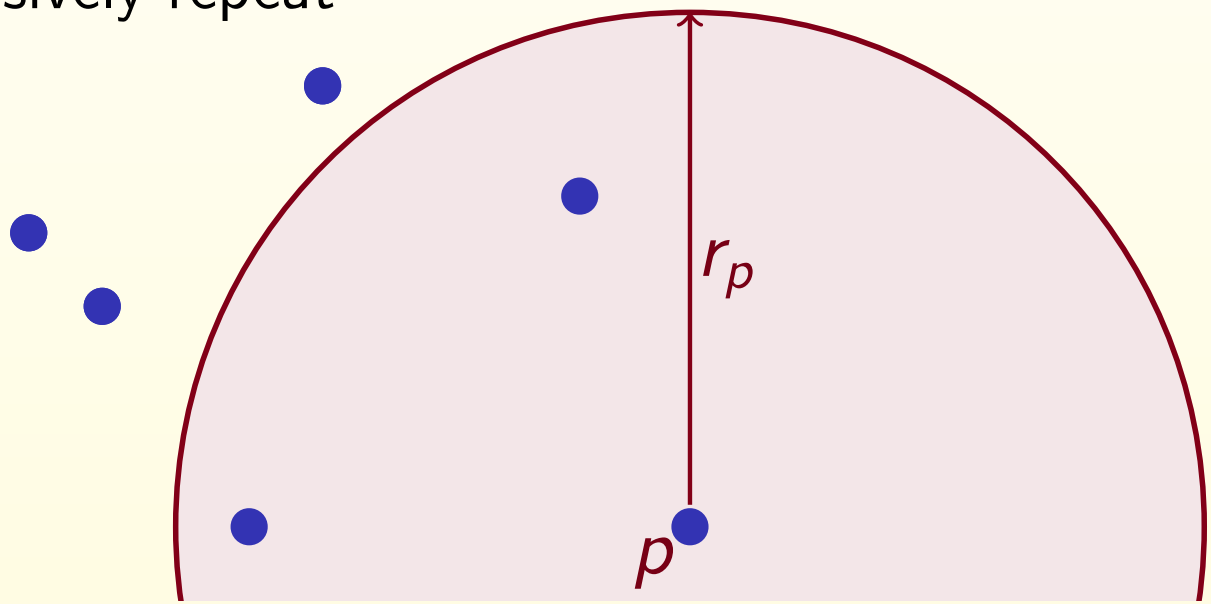

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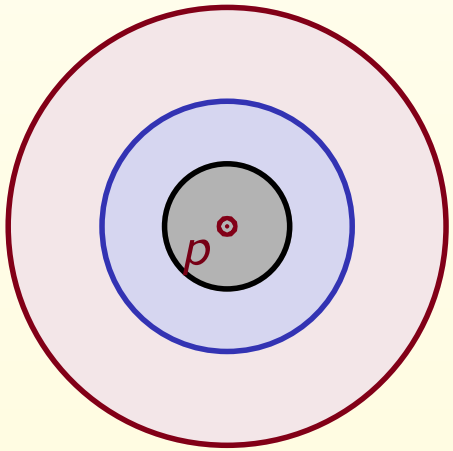

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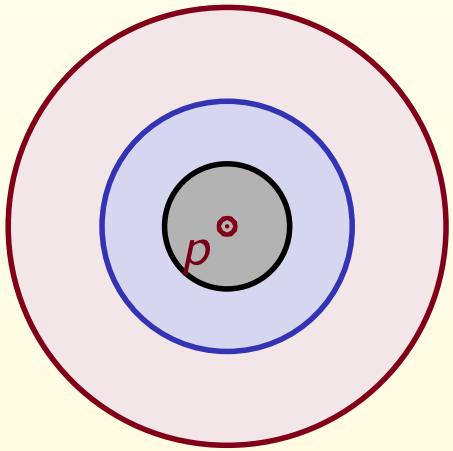

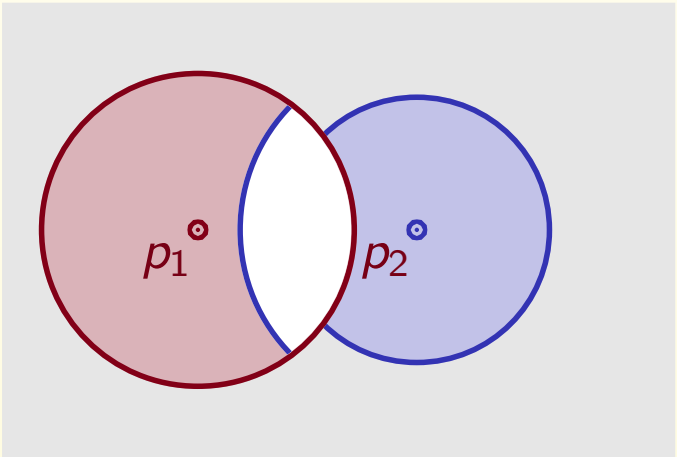

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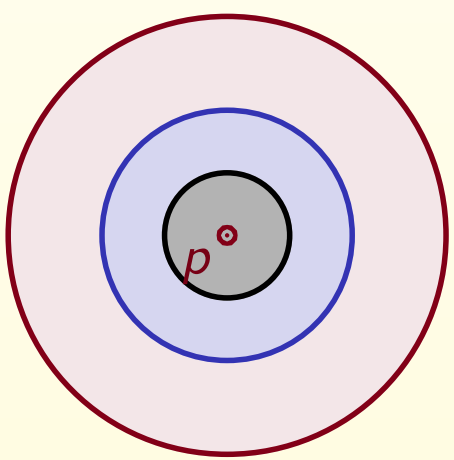

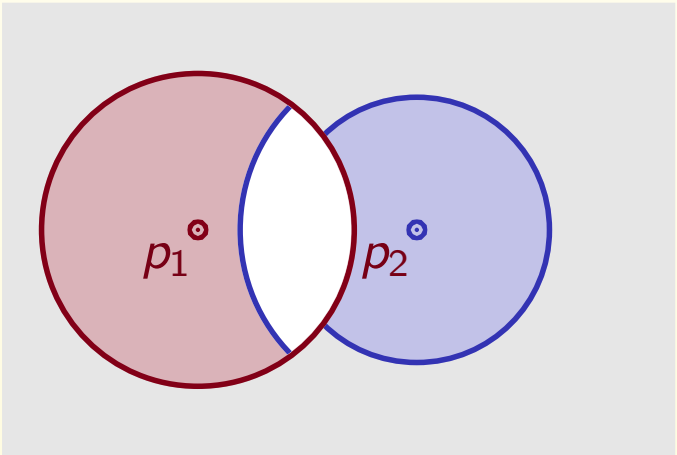

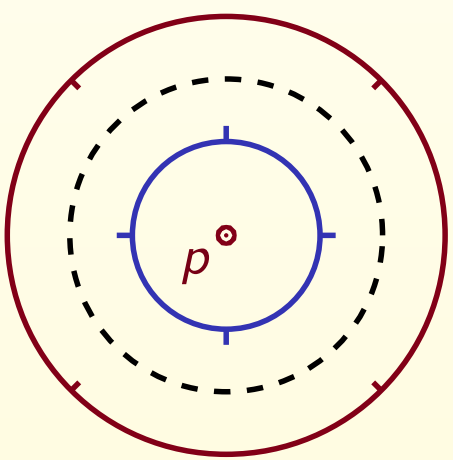

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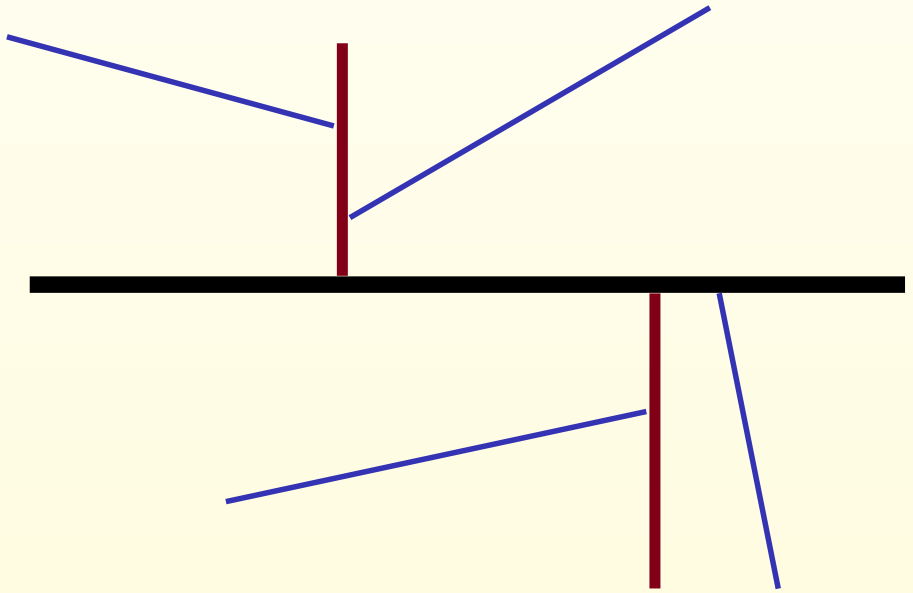

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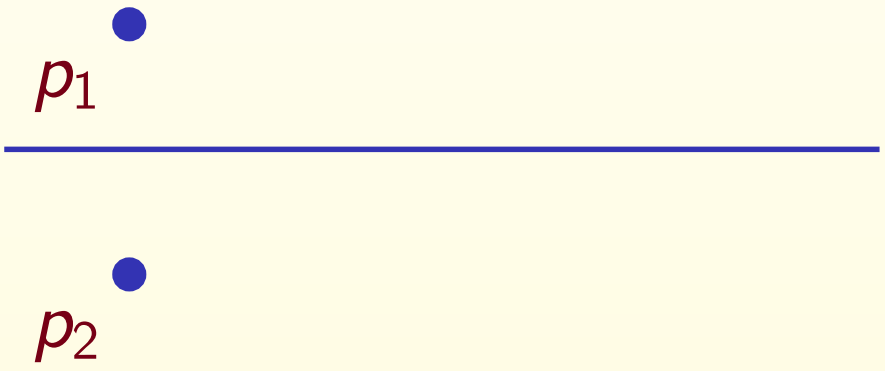

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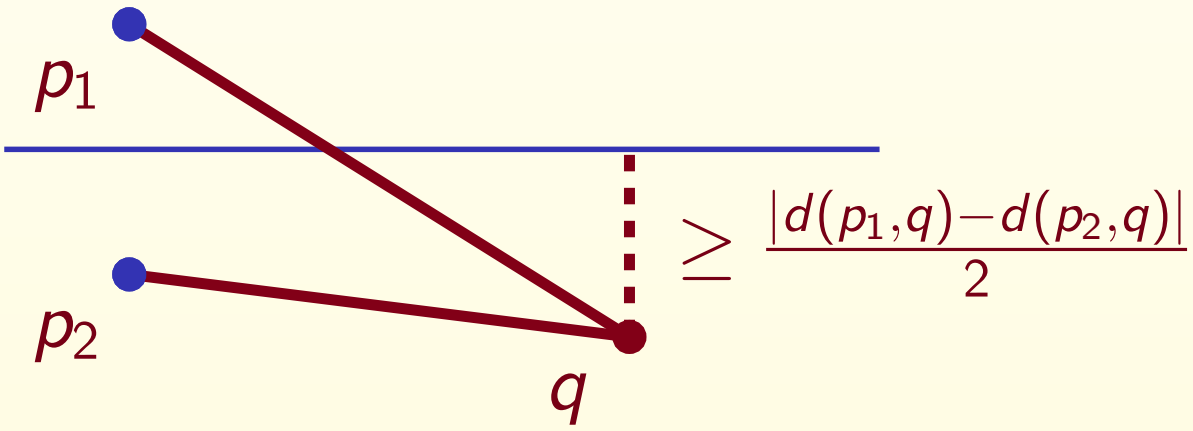

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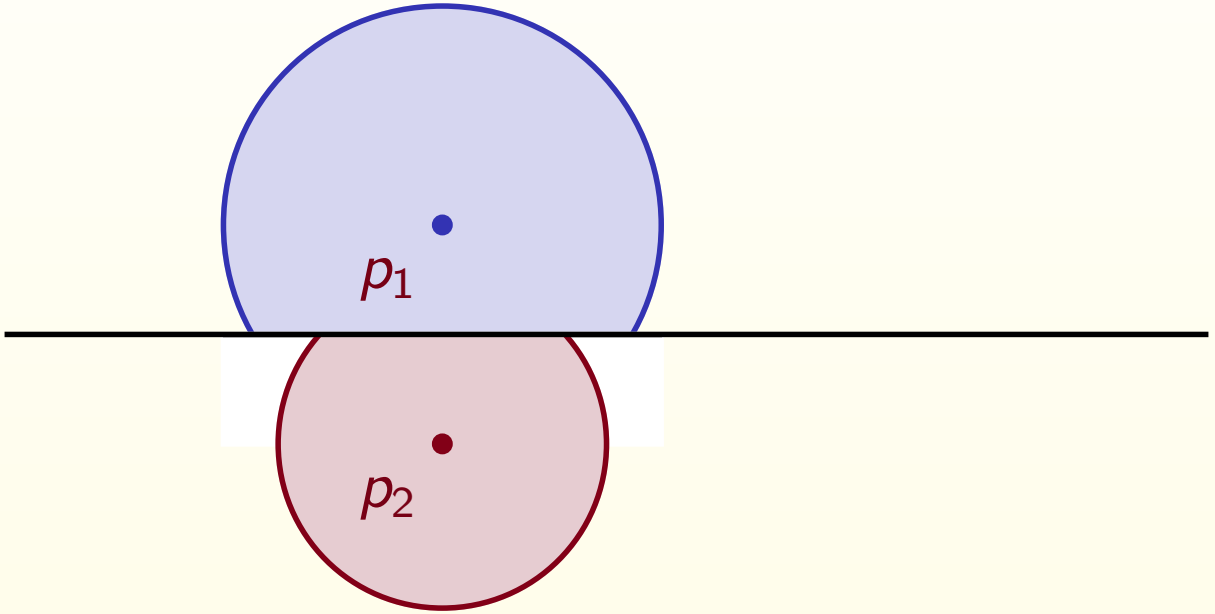

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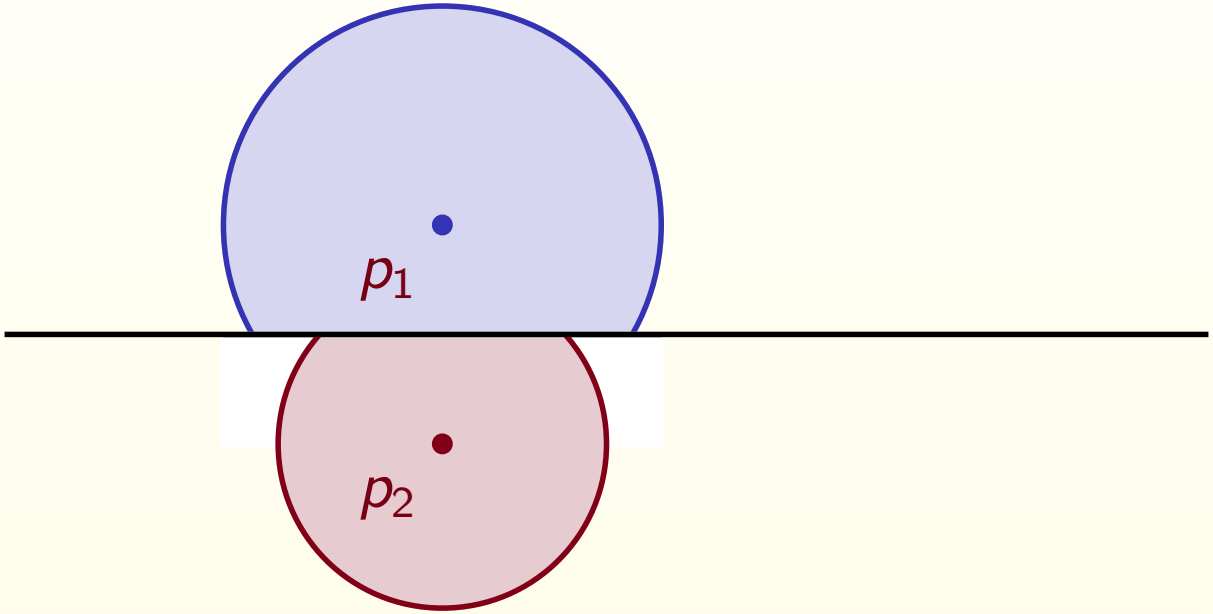

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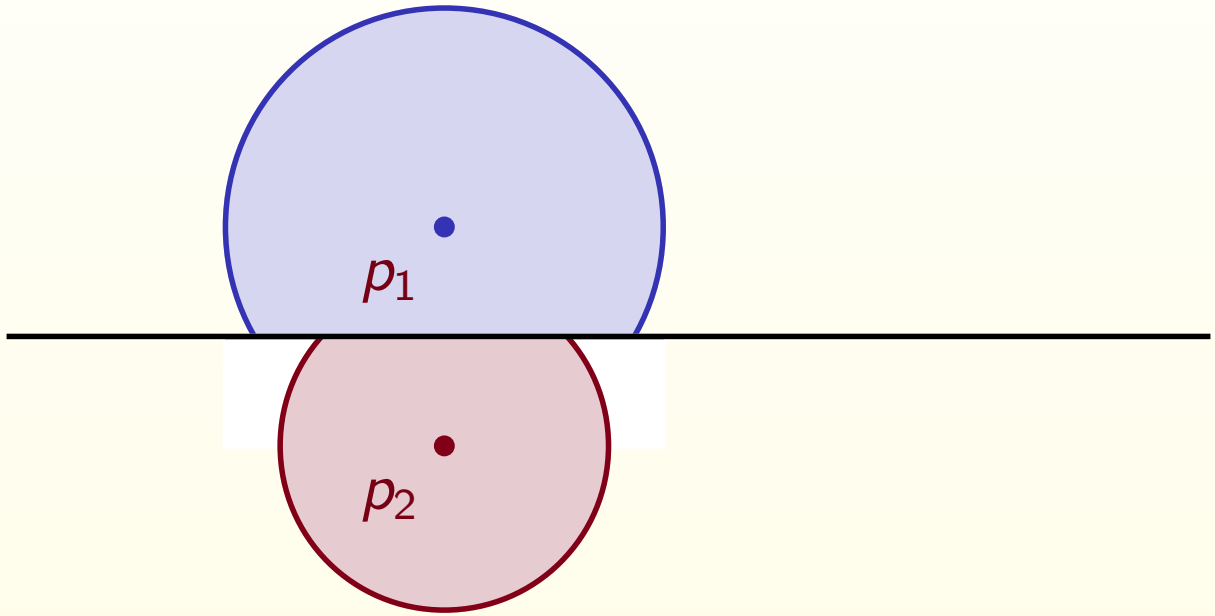

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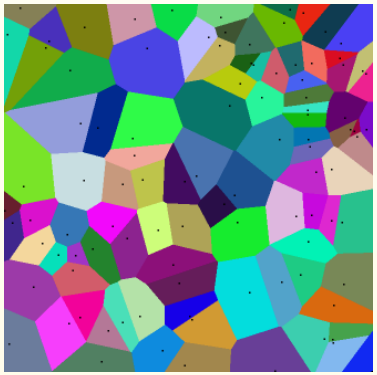
Exercise: prove that covering radii are monotonically decrease in mb-trees

Geometric Near-Neighbor Access Tree

Brin'95:

- Use m pivots
- Branch i consists of objects for which p_i is the closest pivot
- Stores minimal and maximal distances from pivots to all "brother"-branches



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    2. Both pivots are added to the node's parent, which may cause it to be split, and so on

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k-d Trees, R-trees

Advantages of Euclidean Space

- Rich mathematical formalisms for defining a boundary of any set

  Examples: rectangles, hyperplanes, polynomial curves

- Easy computation of lower bound on distance between query point and any set boundary

- Easy definable mappings to smaller spaces

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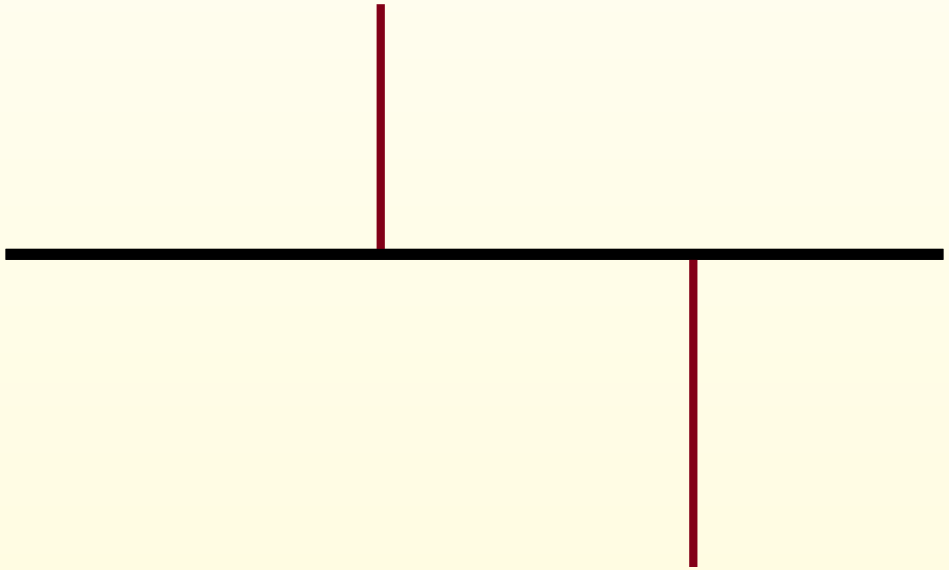

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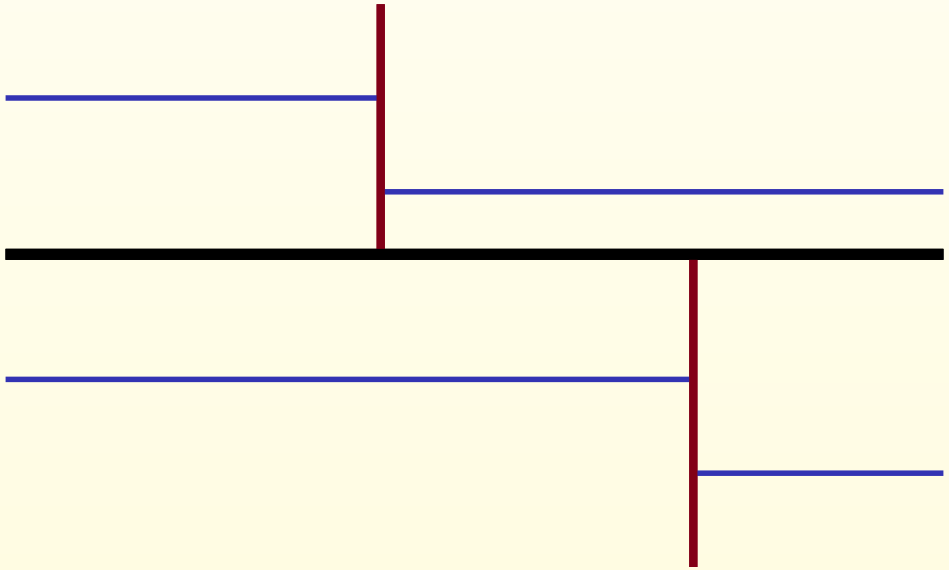

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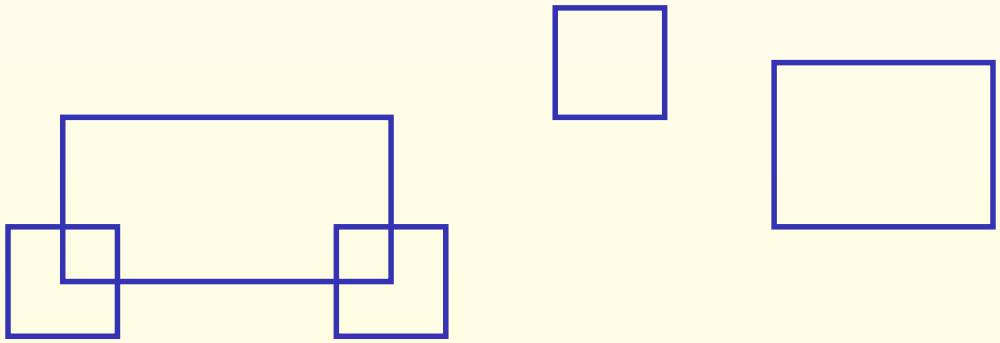

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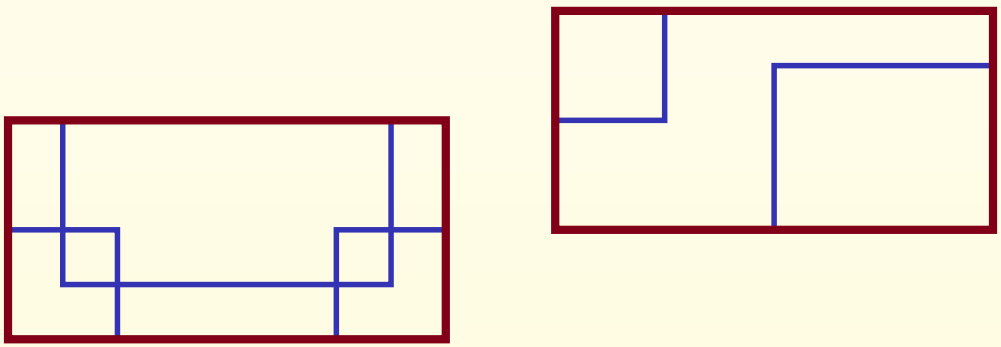

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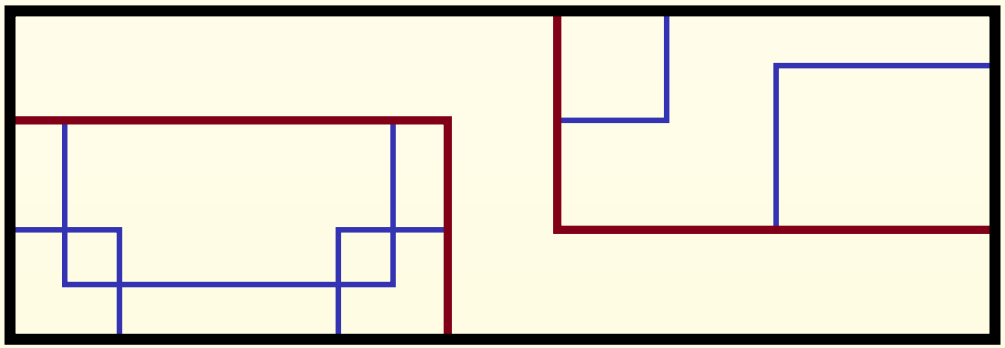

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