

COL865: Special Topics in Computer Applications

# **Physics-Based Animation**

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## **9 – Collision response**

# Reading

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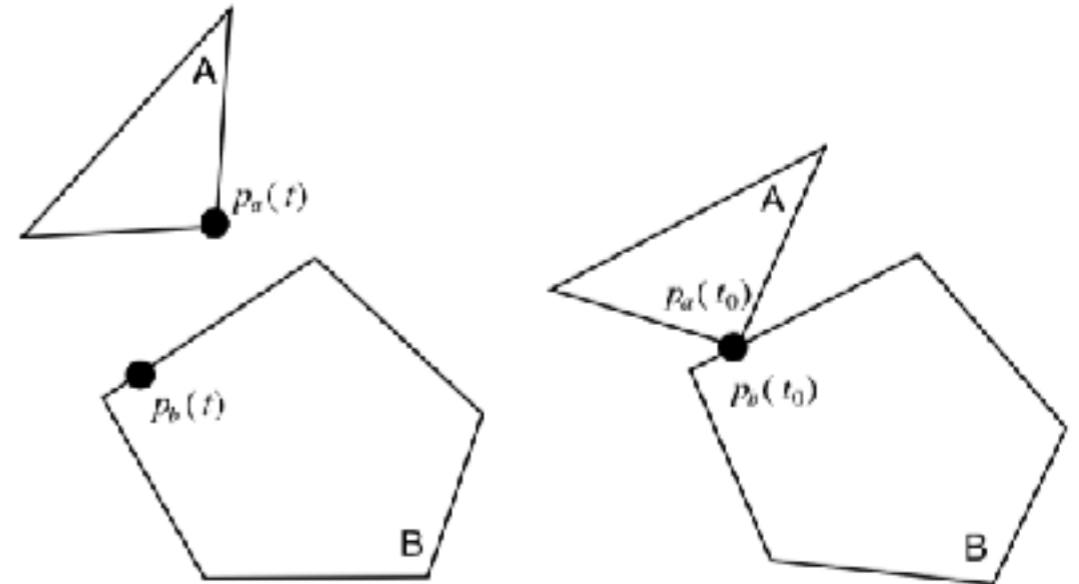
- Witkin and Baraff, *Physically Based Modeling*, Ch. “Rigid Body Simulation” Sec. 6, 8, 9
- Guendelman et al., “Nonconvex Rigid Bodies with Stacking”, 2003

# Collision detection

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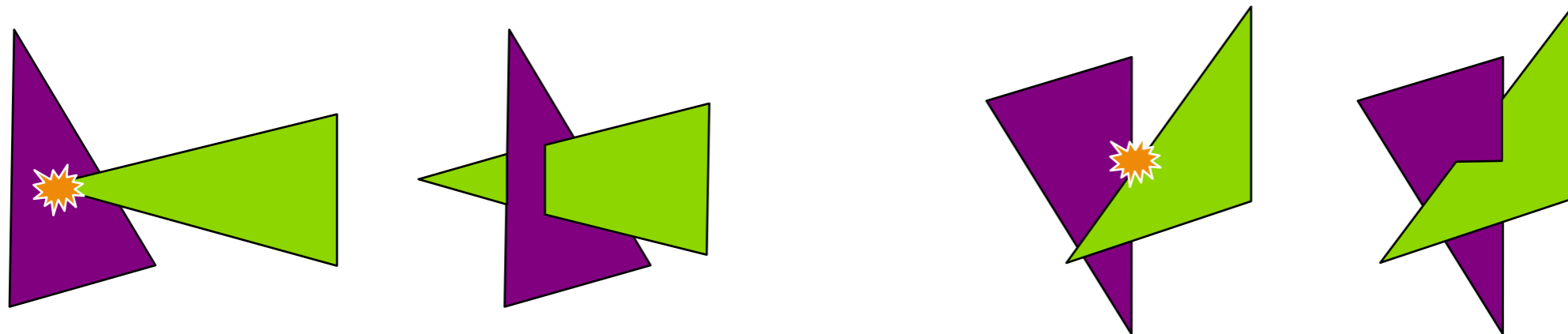
Collision detection routine returns **contact pairs**:

- Point  $\mathbf{p}_1$  on body 1
- Point  $\mathbf{p}_2$  on body 2
- Collision normal  $\mathbf{n}$



[Witkin & Baraff]

In 3D, collision can be vertex-face or edge-edge



# Nonpenetration constraints

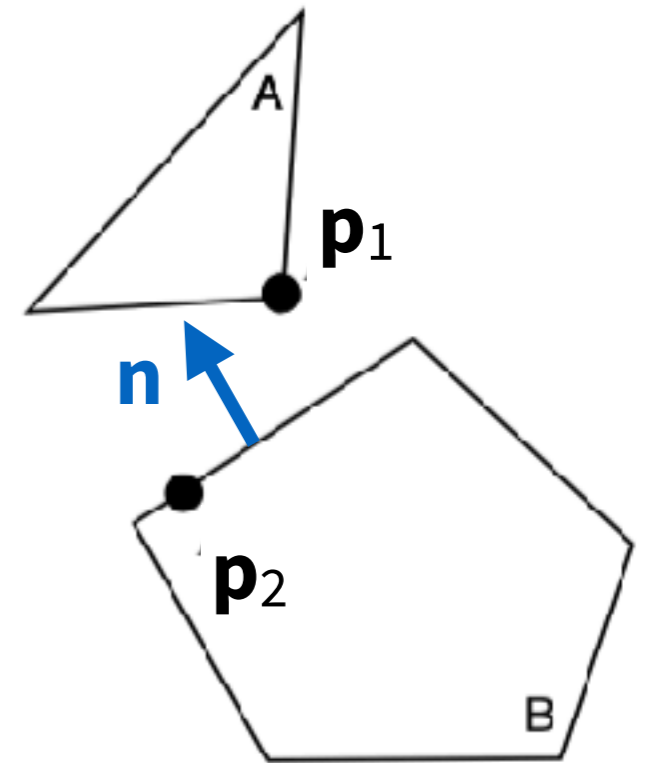
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Define constraint function  $g \geq 0$ :

$$\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2) \geq 0$$

$\mathbf{n} =$

- face normal (if vertex-face collision)
- cross product of edges (if edge-edge)



# A single collision

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$$g = \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2) \geq 0$$

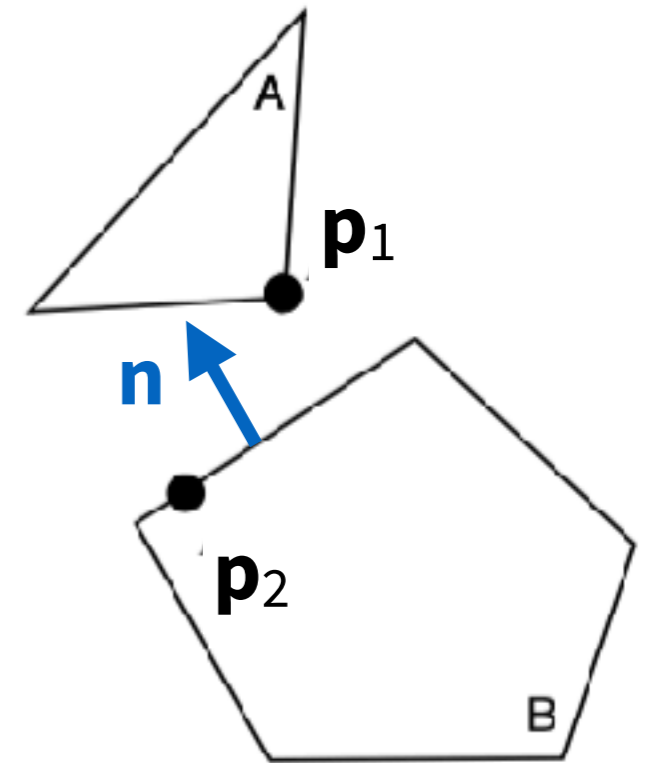
At time of collision,  $\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{0}$

Velocity constraint:

$$\dot{g} = \mathbf{J} \mathbf{u} \geq 0$$

$$V_{\text{rel},n} = \mathbf{n} \cdot (\dot{\mathbf{p}}_1 - \dot{\mathbf{p}}_2) \geq 0$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{n}^T & (\mathbf{r}_1 \times \mathbf{n})^T & -\mathbf{n}^T & -(\mathbf{r}_2 \times \mathbf{n})^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\omega}_1 \\ \mathbf{v}_2 \\ \boldsymbol{\omega}_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$



# Collision impulse

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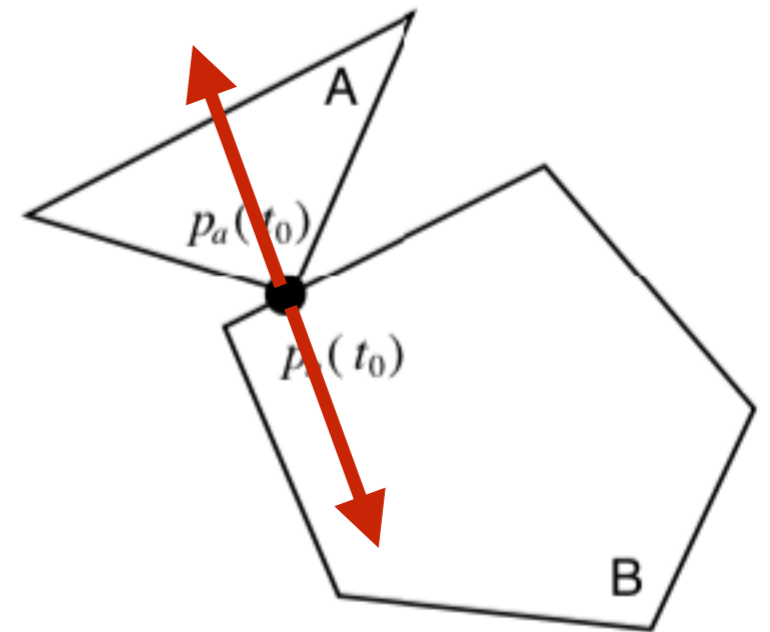
Normal force of magnitude  $f_n$  produces forces and torques  $[\mathbf{f}_1 ; \boldsymbol{\tau}_1 ; \mathbf{f}_2 ; \boldsymbol{\tau}_2] = \mathbf{J}^T f_n$

Collisions require normal **impulse**  $j_n$  which instantaneously changes velocity

$$v_n^+ = v_n^- + \mathbf{J} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T j_n$$

where

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \mathbf{1} & & & \\ & \mathbf{I}_1 & & \\ & & m_2 \mathbf{1} & \\ & & & \mathbf{I}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



**Exercise:** Verify that this is equivalent to applying equal and opposite normal forces  $\pm f_n \mathbf{n}$  to both bodies.

# Collision impulse

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- If  $v_n^- > 0$ , bodies are already separating. Set  $j_n = 0$
- If  $v_n^- = 0$ , sliding or resting contact
- If  $v_n^- < 0$ , collision! Compute  $j_n$  to push bodies away

$$v_n^+ = v_n^- + \mathbf{J} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T j_n$$

What should  $v_n^+$  be?

**Newton's hypothesis:**  $v_n^+ = -\varepsilon v_n^-$ , where  $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq 1$

# Deformable body collisions

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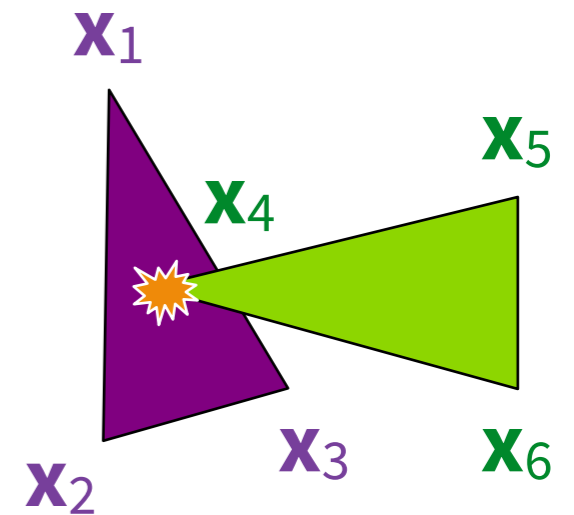
Same applies to deformable bodies!

Take a mass-spring system with springs along triangle edges:

- $\mathbf{p}_1 = b_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + b_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + b_3 \mathbf{x}_3$
- $\mathbf{p}_2 = \mathbf{x}_4$

What are  $\mathbf{J}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  here?

What is  $\mathbf{J} \mathbf{M}^{-1} \mathbf{J}^T$ ?





# Friction

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Friction force is tangential,  
magnitude depends on  $f_n$

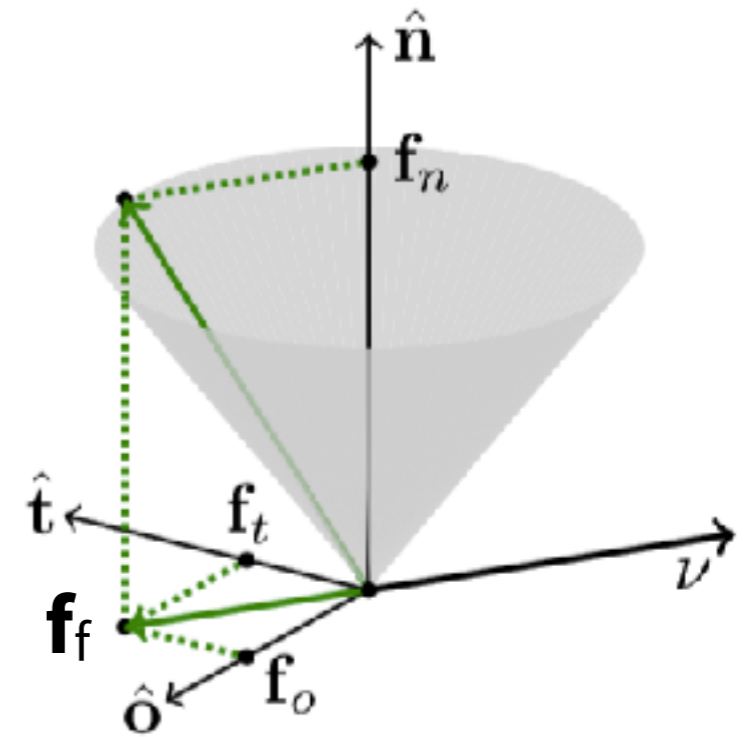
**Coulomb model:**

$$\|\mathbf{f}_f\| \leq \mu f_n$$

**Maximum dissipation principle:**

$$\begin{aligned} \max -\dot{T} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad & \|\mathbf{f}_f\| \leq \mu f_n \\ \Rightarrow & \mathbf{f}_f \parallel -\mathbf{v}_{\text{rel},t} \end{aligned}$$

For impulses, min  $T^+$



[Bender et al. 2012]

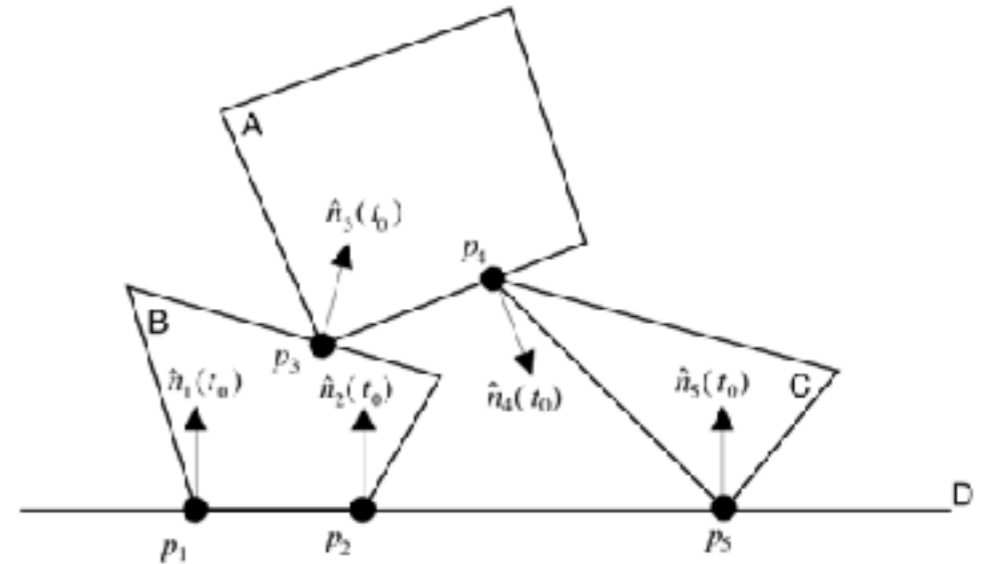
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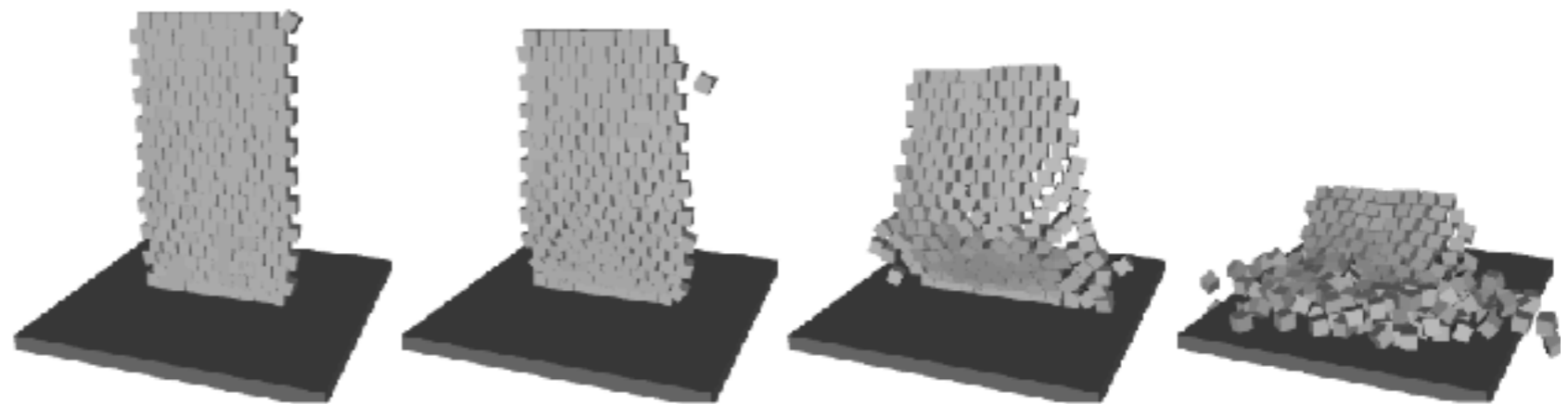
Impulse for one contact affects constraints of other contacts

**Projected Gauss-Seidel:**  
solve one contact at a time



- Solve  $j_{i,n}$  for  $v_{i,n}^+ = -\varepsilon v_{i,n}^-$ , project to nearest  $j_{i,n} \geq 0$  [Witkin & Baraff]
- Solve  $\mathbf{j}_{i,f}$  for  $\mathbf{v}_{i,t} = 0$ , project to nearest  $\|\mathbf{j}_{i,f}\| \leq \mu j_{i,n}$

Slow to converge  
for large stacks!



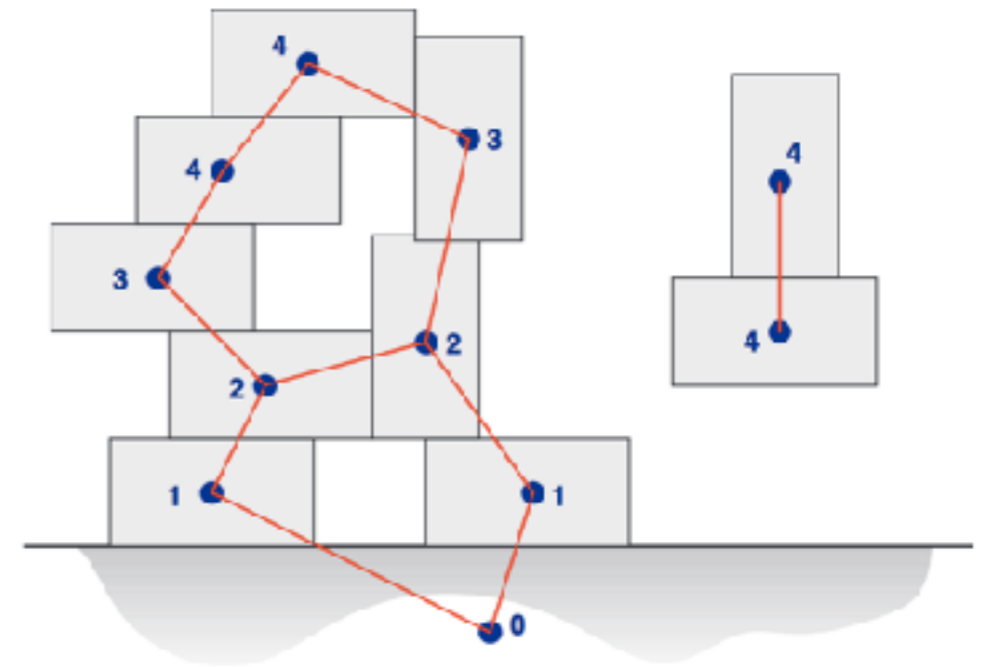
[Erleben 2004]

# Fixing convergence failure

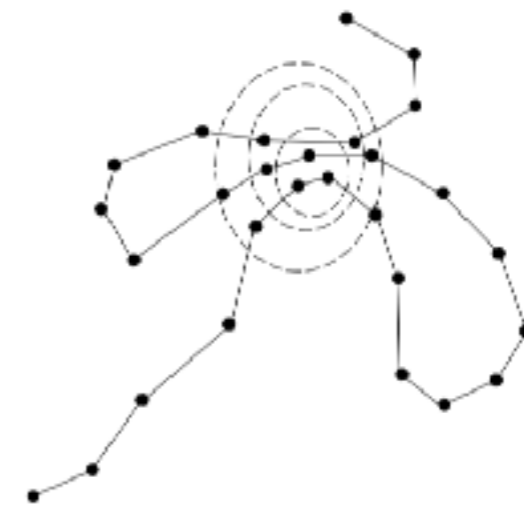
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Freezing methods:

- **Shock propagation** for rigid bodies [Guendelman et al. 2003, Erleben 2007]
- **Impact zones** for cloth [Provot 1997, Bridson et al. 2003, Harmon et al. 2008]



[Erleben 2005]



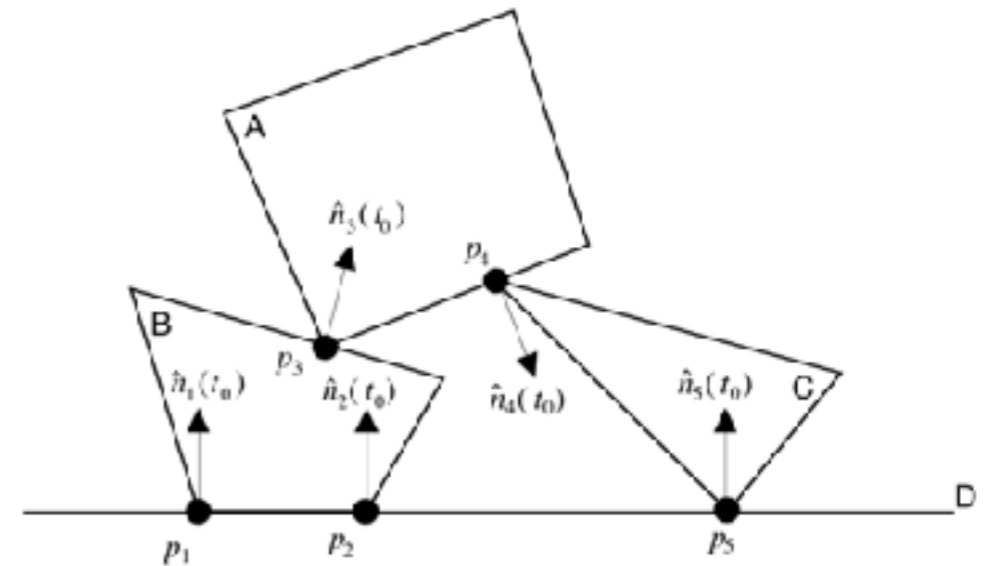
[Provot 1997]

# Multiple contacts

Impulse for one contact affects constraints of other contacts

**Complementarity:**

$$0 \leq v_{i,n}^+ \perp j_{i,n} \geq 0$$



[Witkin & Baraff]

System of complementarity conditions for impulses  $j_{i,n}$ ,  $\mathbf{j}_{i,f}$

$$0 \leq v_{1,n}^+ \perp j_{1,n} \geq 0$$

$$0 \leq \|\mathbf{v}_{1,t}^+\| \text{ “}\perp\text{” } \|\mathbf{j}_{1,f}\| \leq \mu j_{1,n}$$

$$0 \leq v_{2,n}^+ \perp j_{2,n} \geq 0$$

$$0 \leq \|\mathbf{v}_{2,t}^+\| \text{ “}\perp\text{” } \|\mathbf{j}_{2,f}\| \leq \mu j_{2,n}$$

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# Complementarity

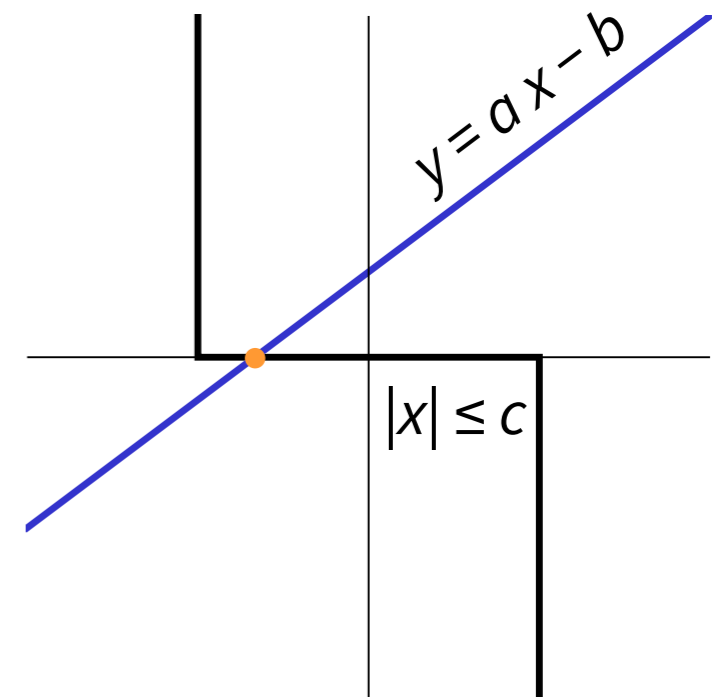
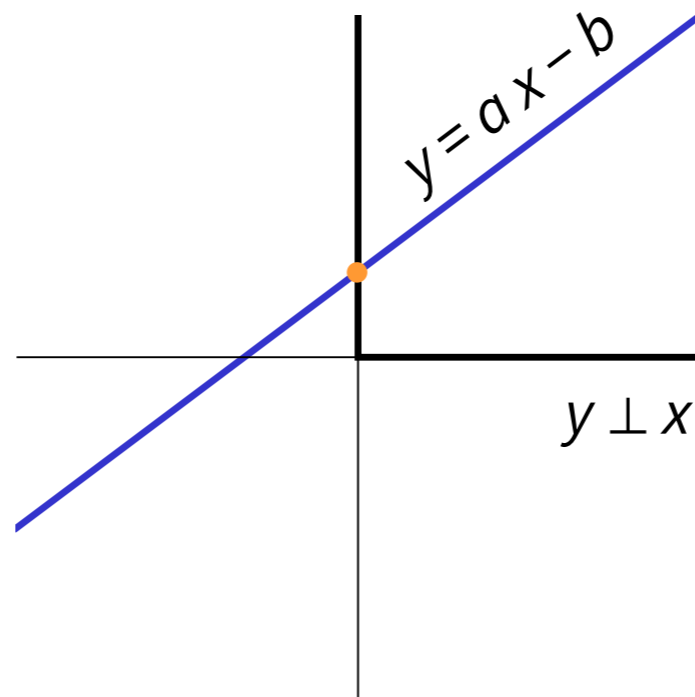
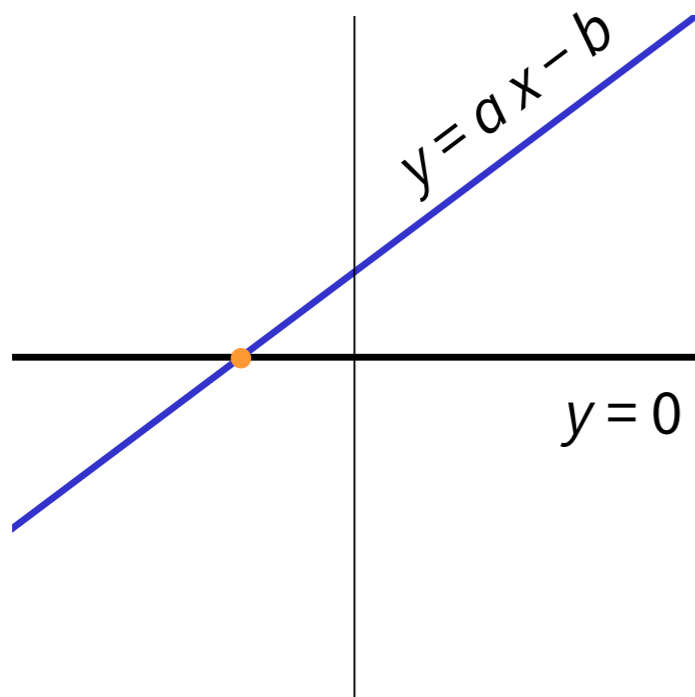
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Linear system:

$$\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$$

Linear complementarity problem:

$$\mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b} \perp \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}$$



# Next week

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- ***This Saturday***: no class
- ***Monday***: Collision detection (guest lecture by Prof. Kalra)
- ***Wednesday***: Independence Day
- ***Thursday***: Paper discussions  
[Provot 1997, Weinstein et al. 2006]
  - Assignment 1 due at midnight!

