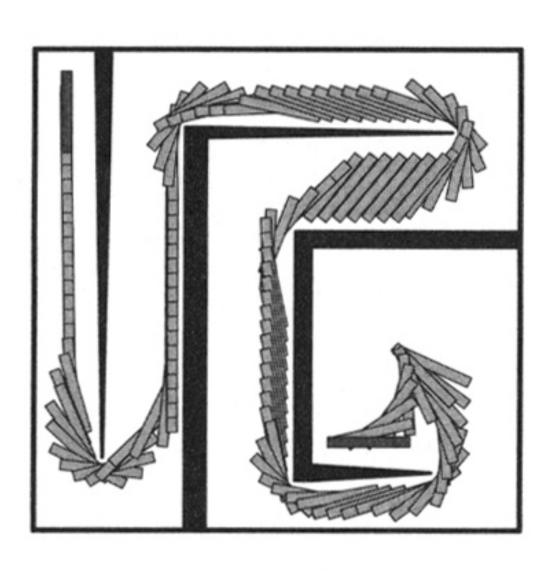
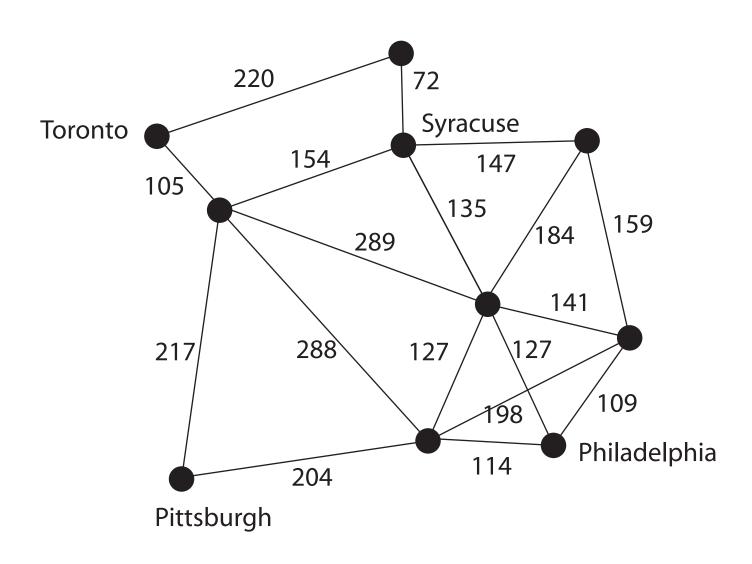
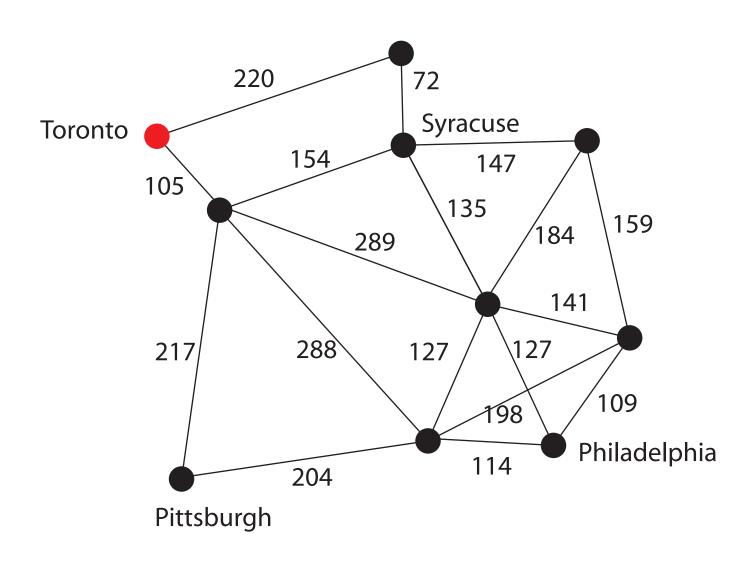
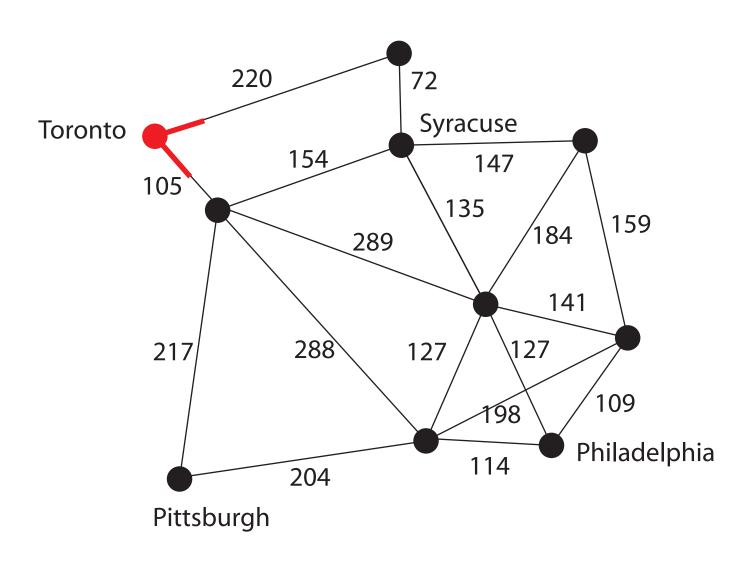
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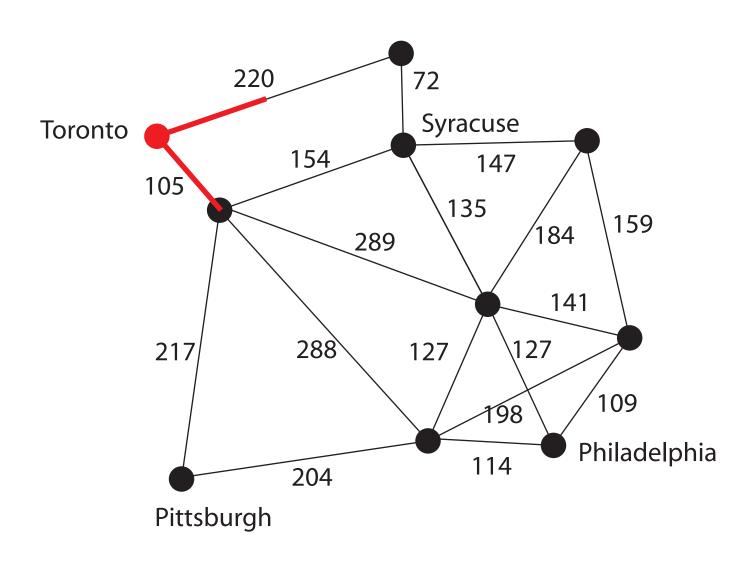
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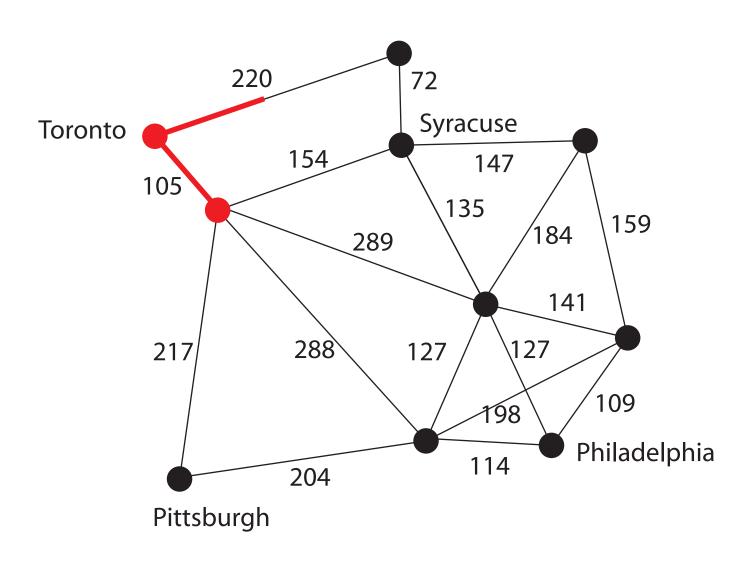


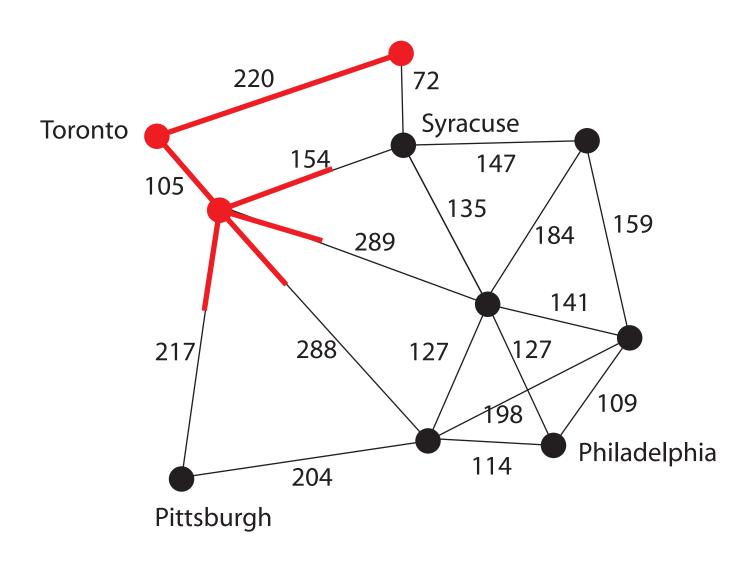


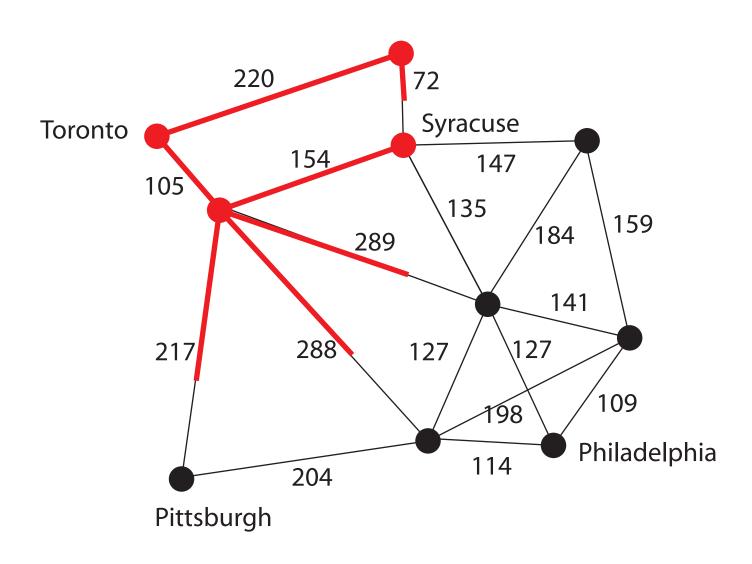


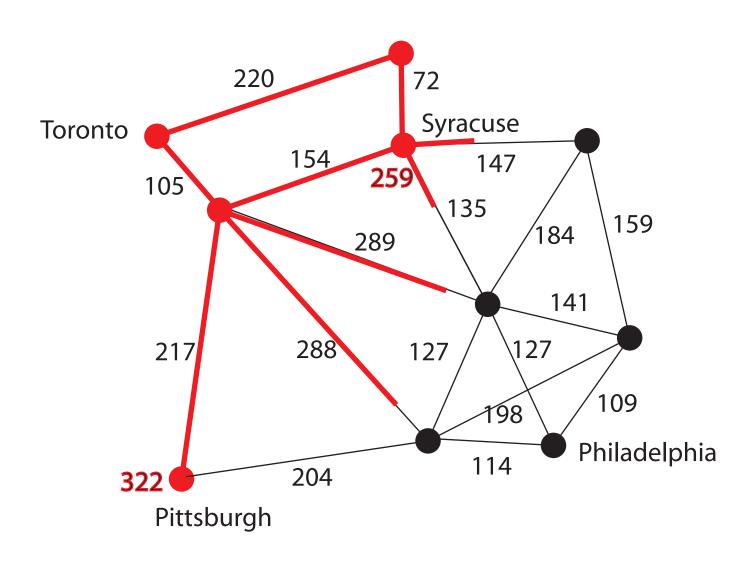


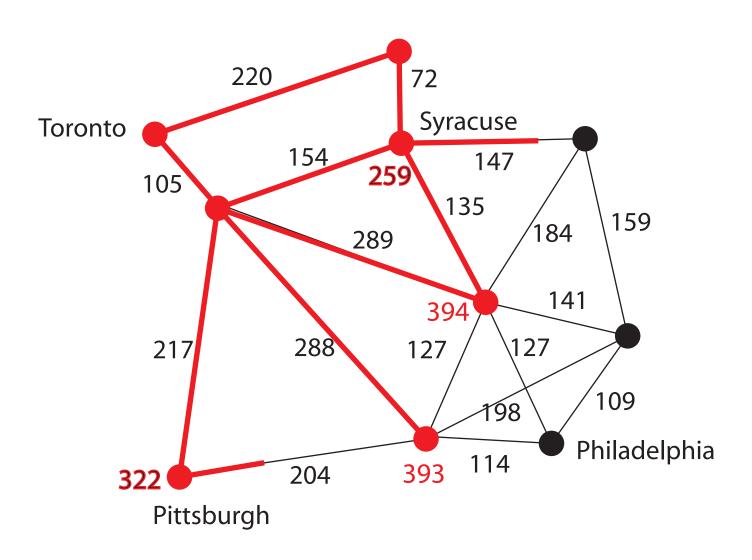


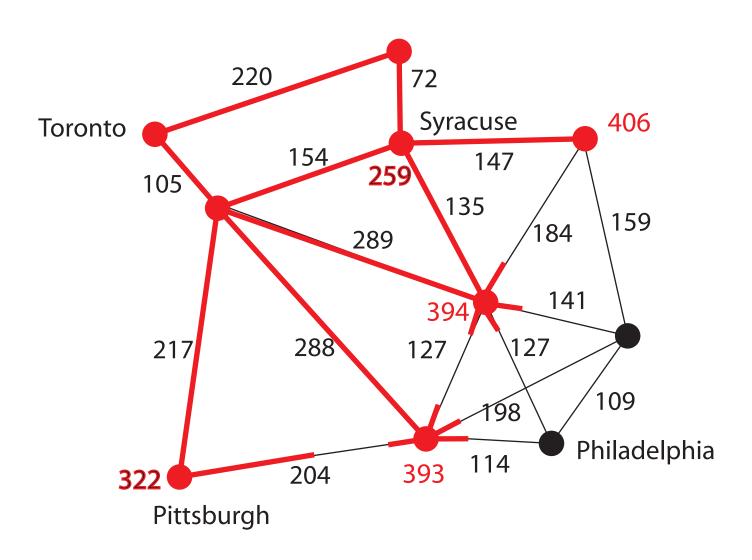




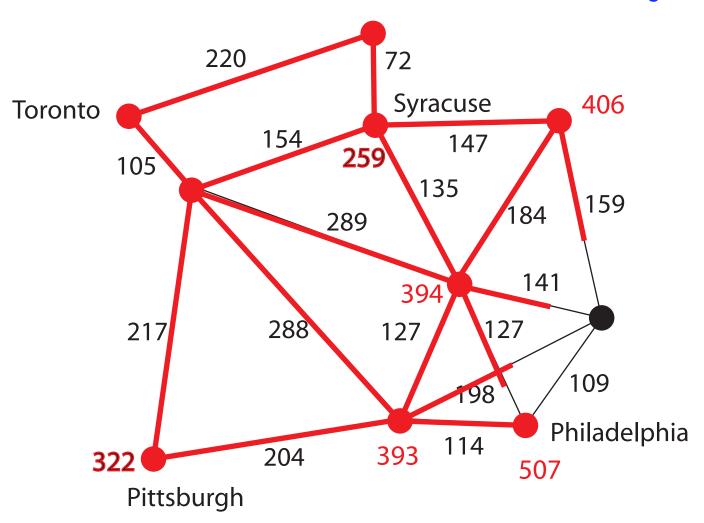






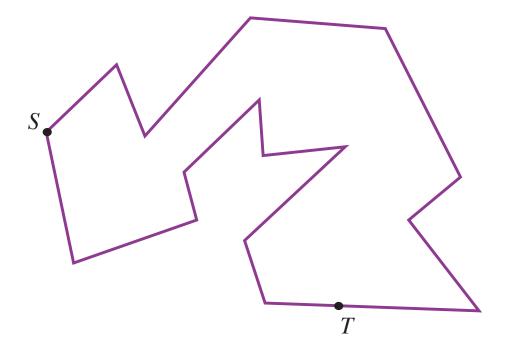


Dijkstra's Algorithm, 1959 -- O(m + n log n) Fredman & Tarjan, 1987 using Fibonacci heaps

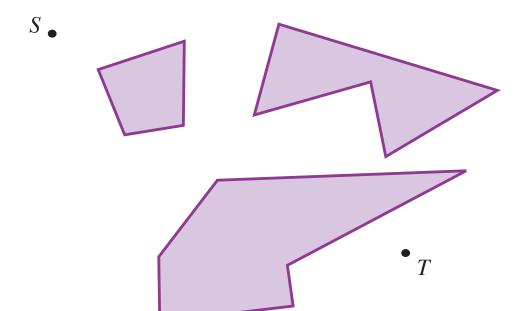


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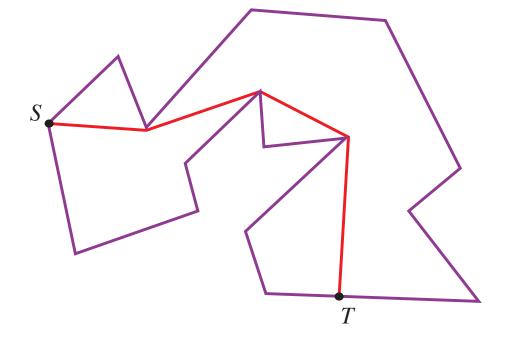


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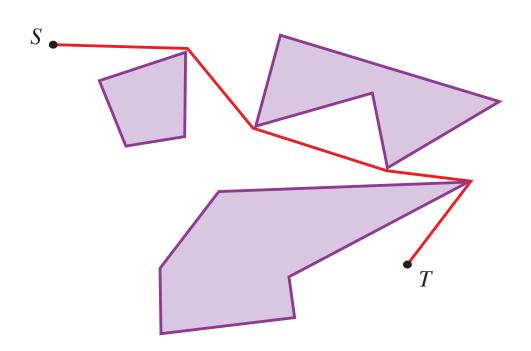


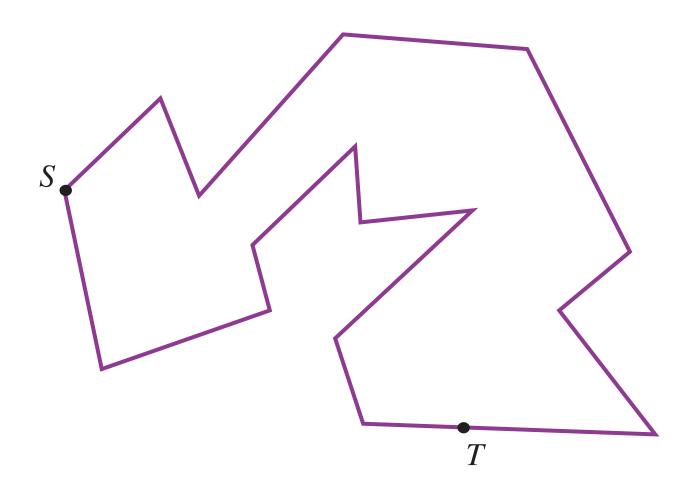
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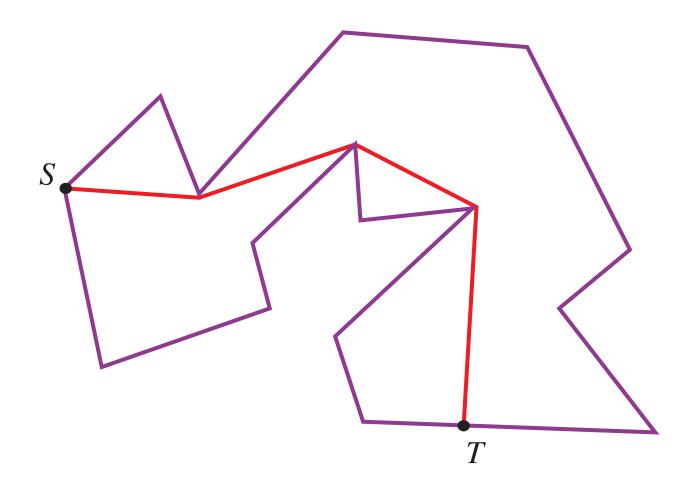
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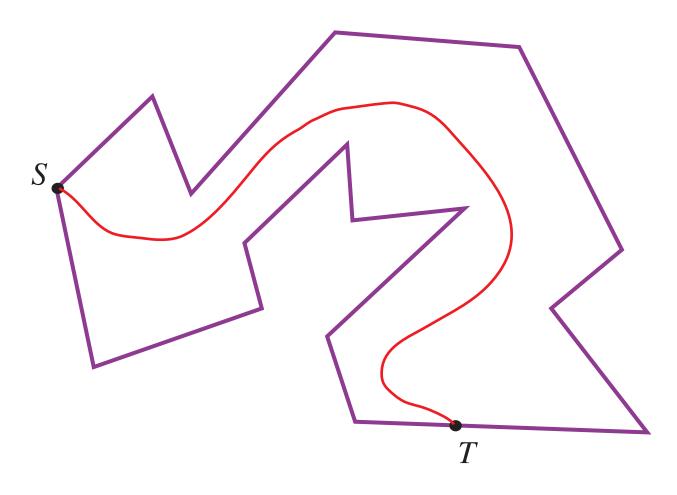


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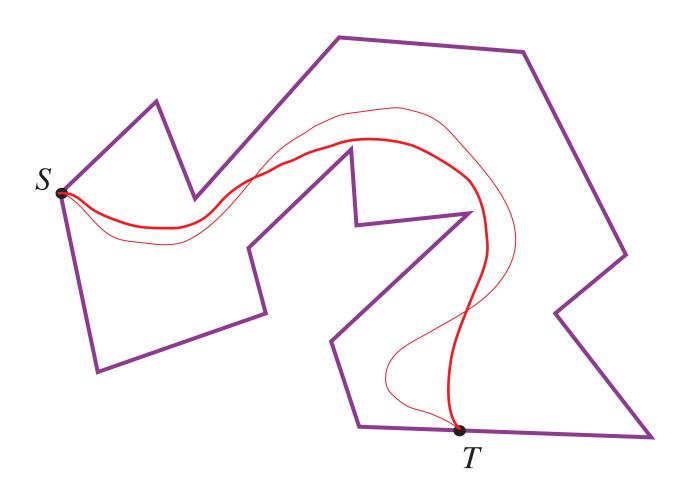




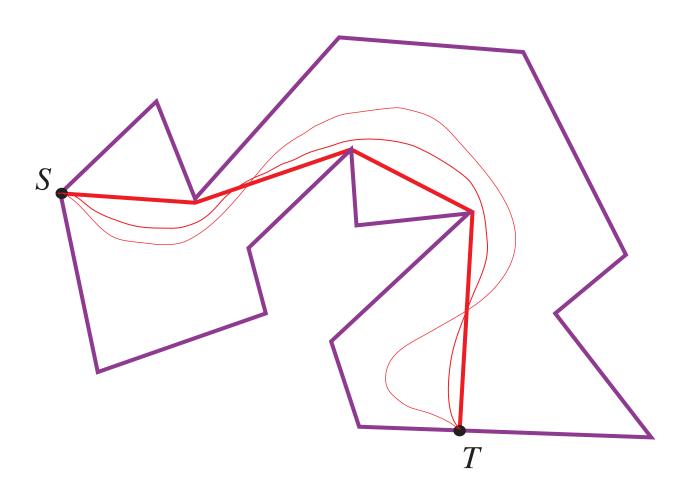




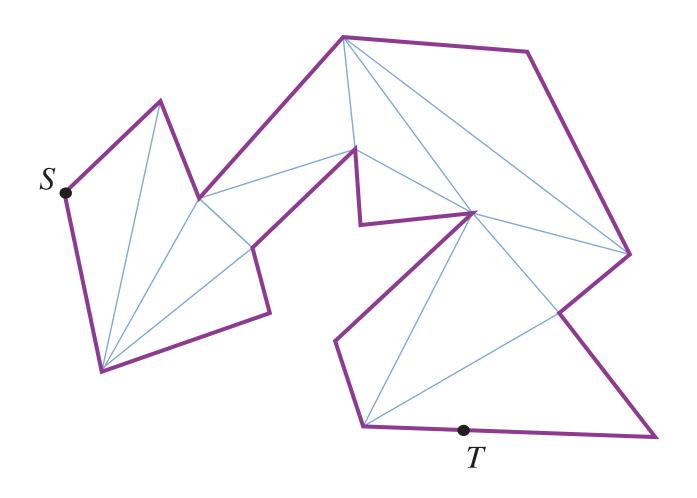
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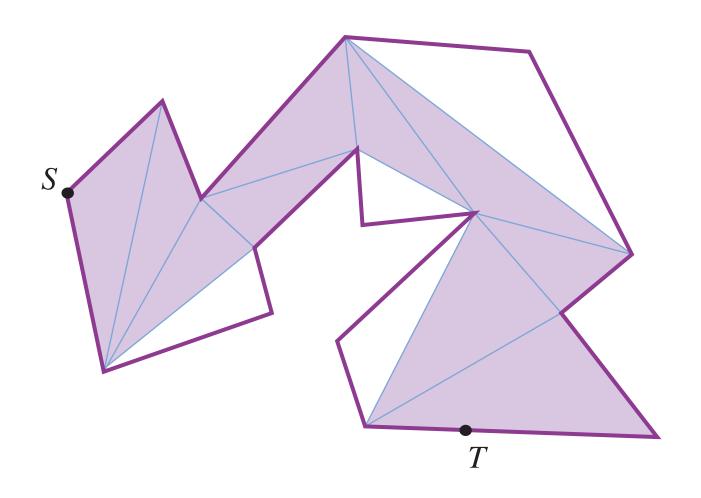


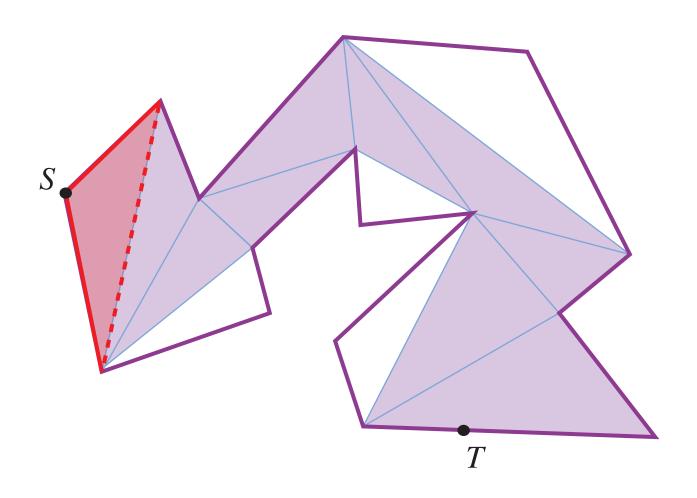
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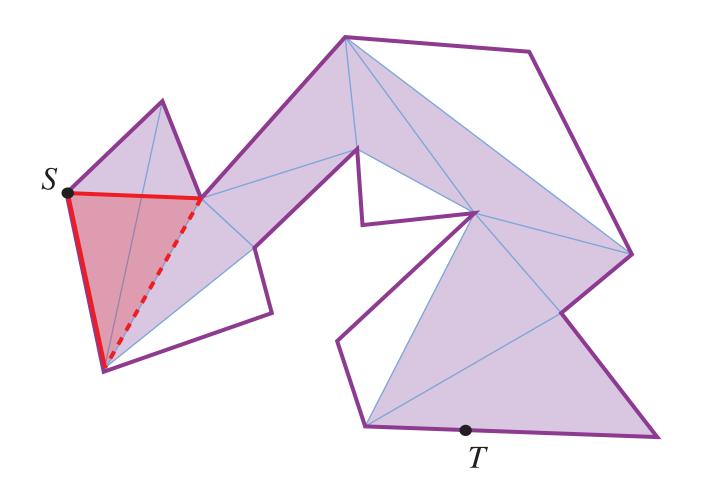


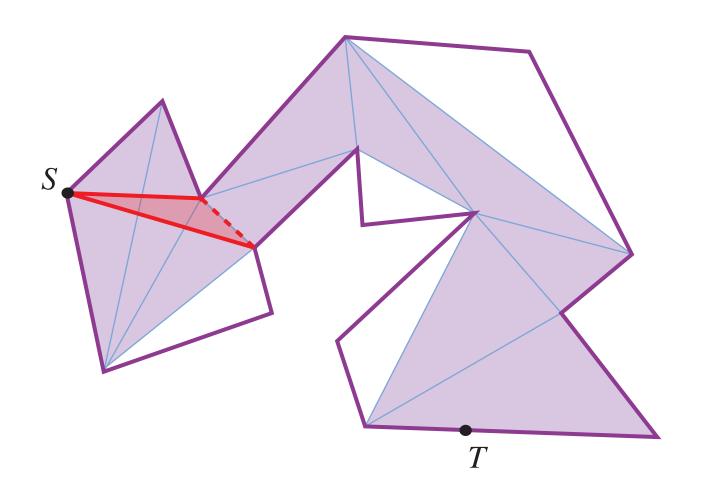
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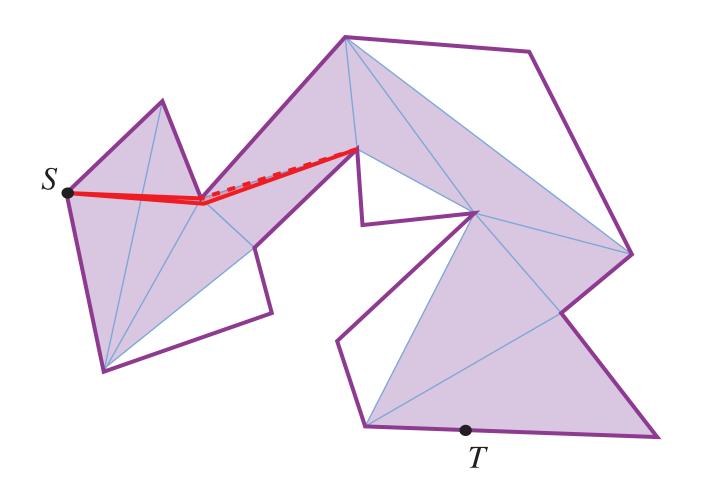


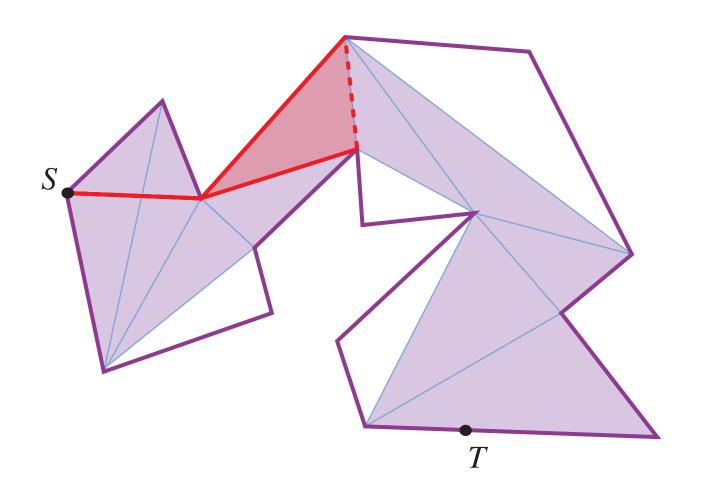


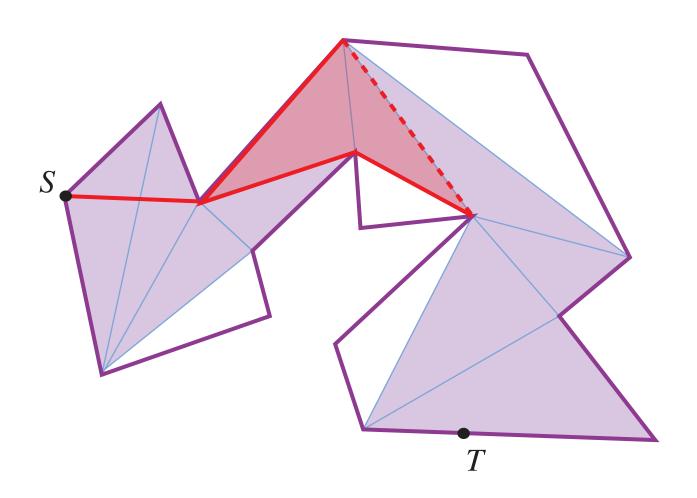


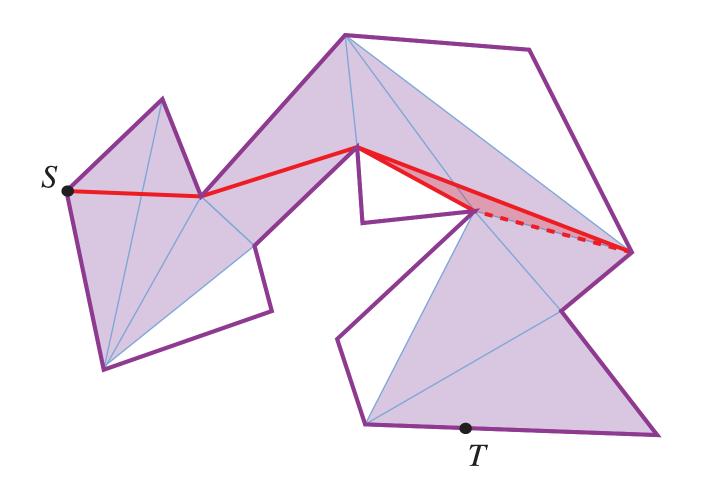




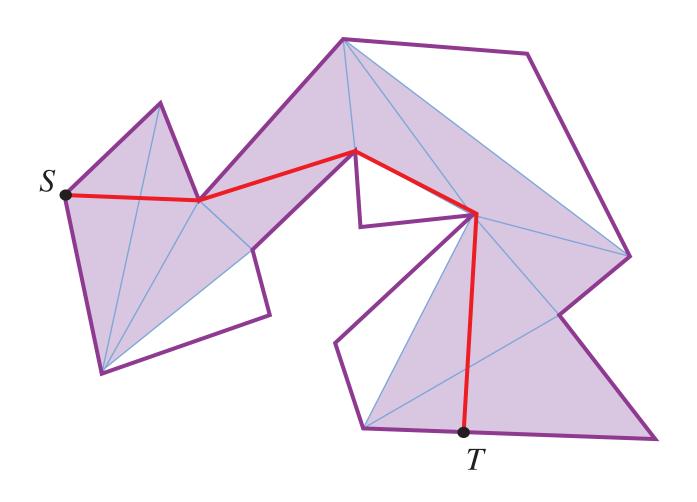


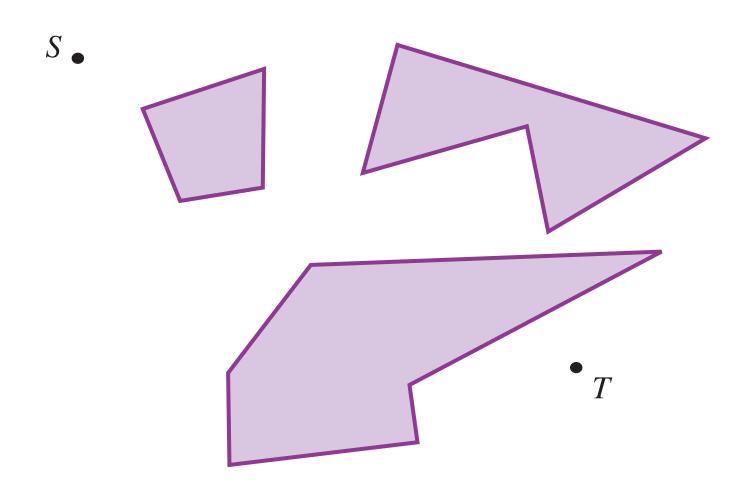


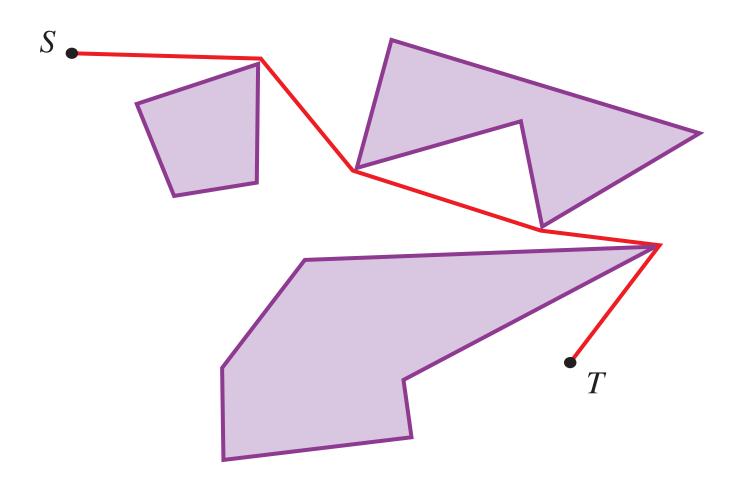




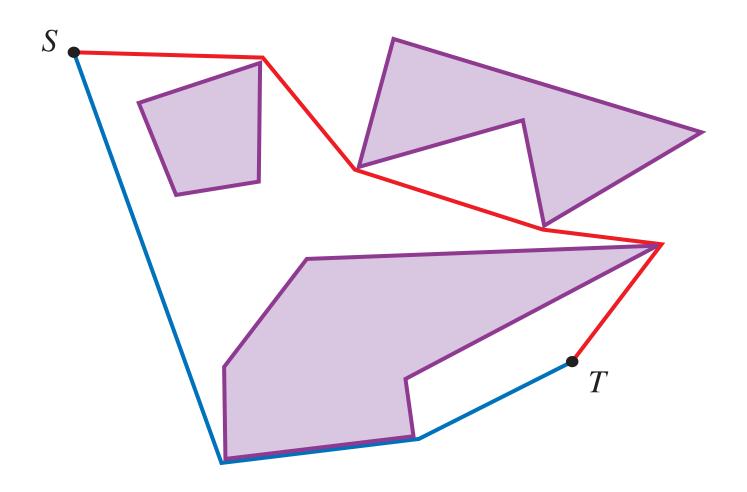
Funnel Algorithm -- O(n) Guibas, Lee & Preparata, early '80's





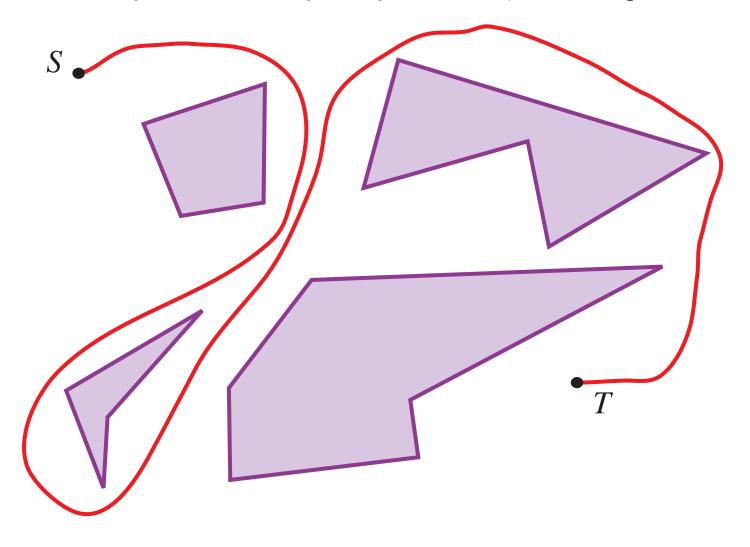


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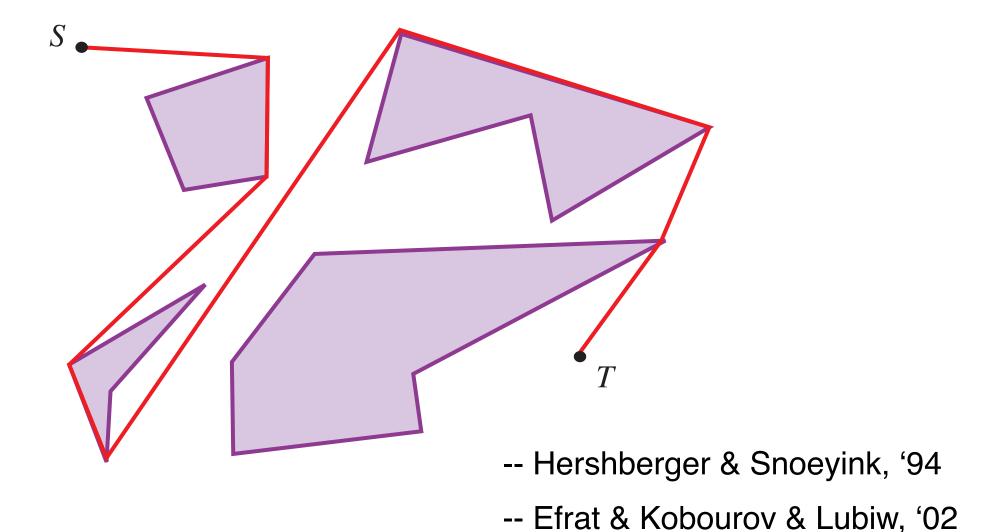


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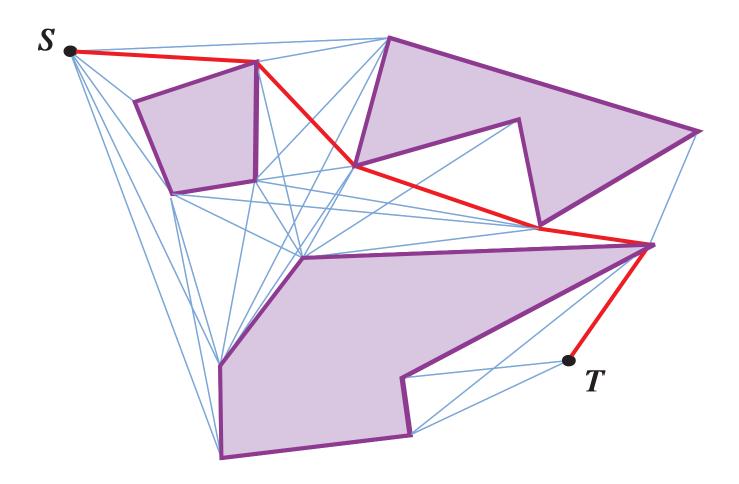
homotopic shortest path problem (shrinking an elastic band)



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reducing to a graph problem

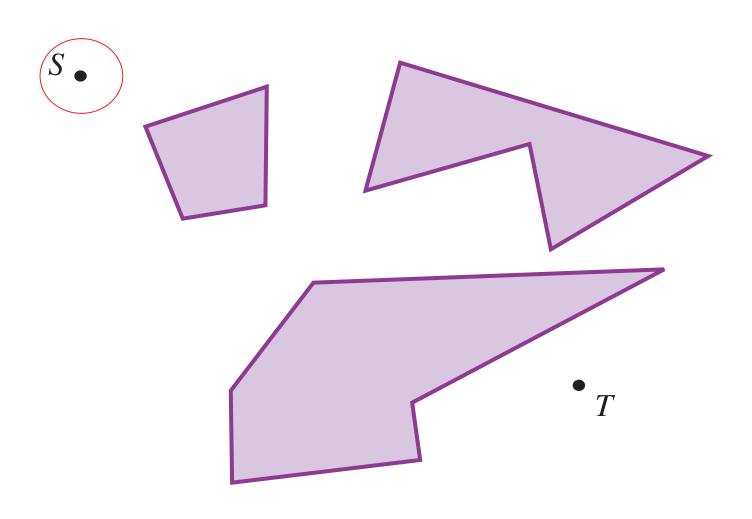


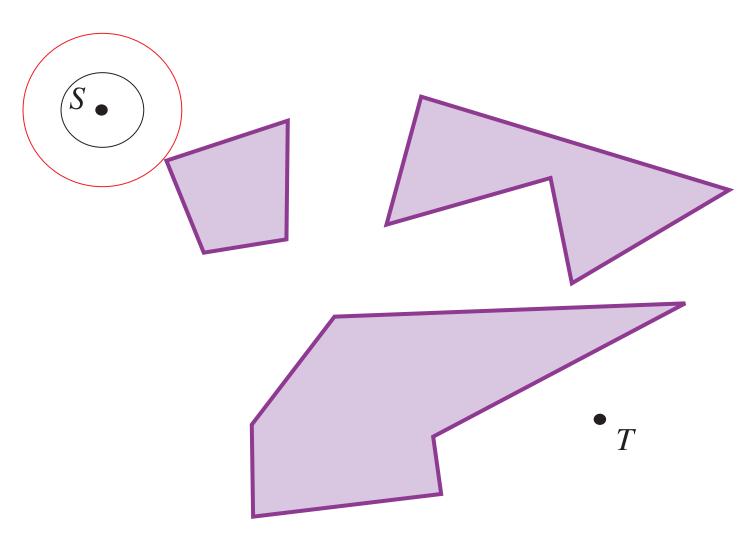
- construct visibility graph
- apply Dijkstra's graph algorithm

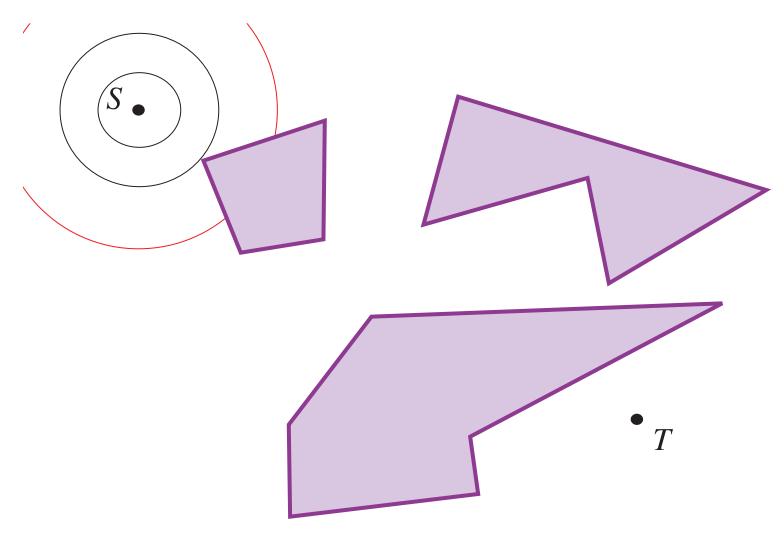
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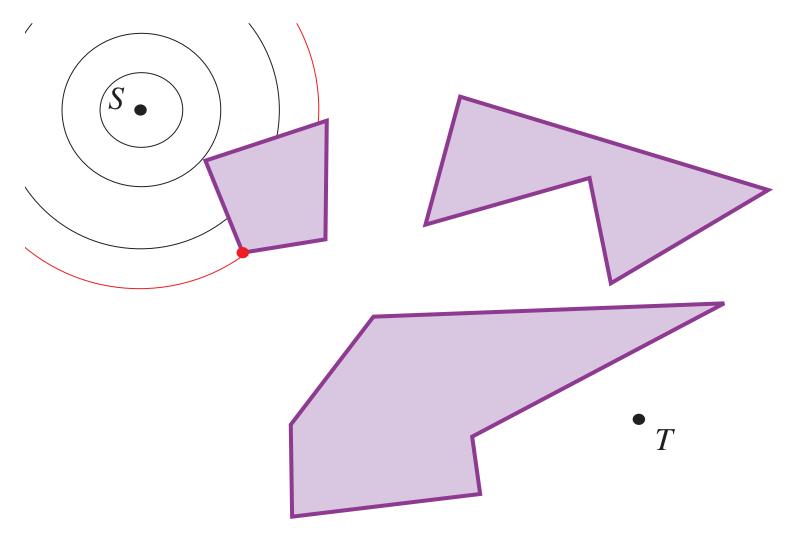
Pocchiola & Vegter, Riviere, '95

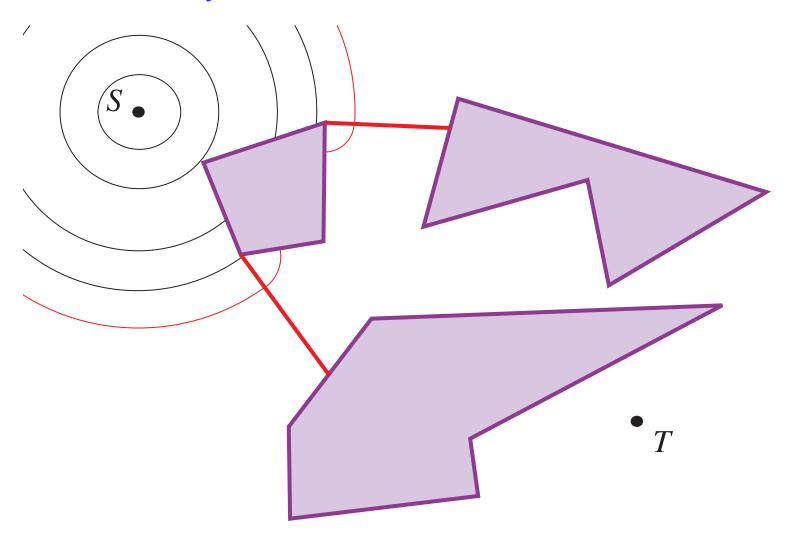
Continuous Dijkstra

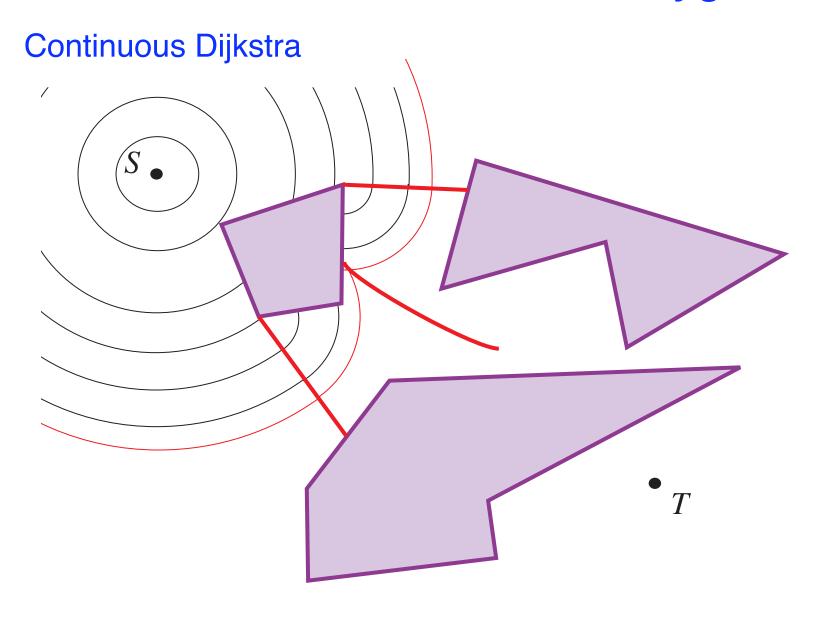


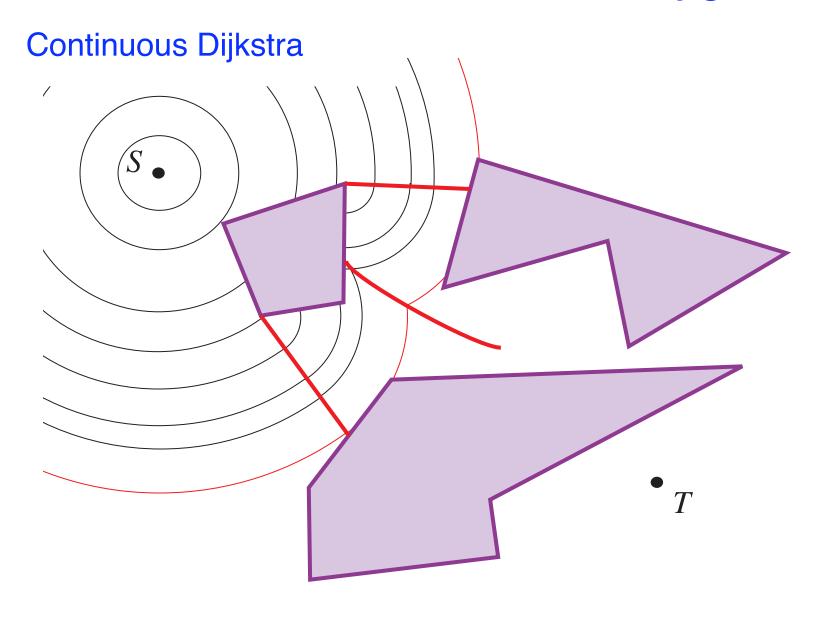


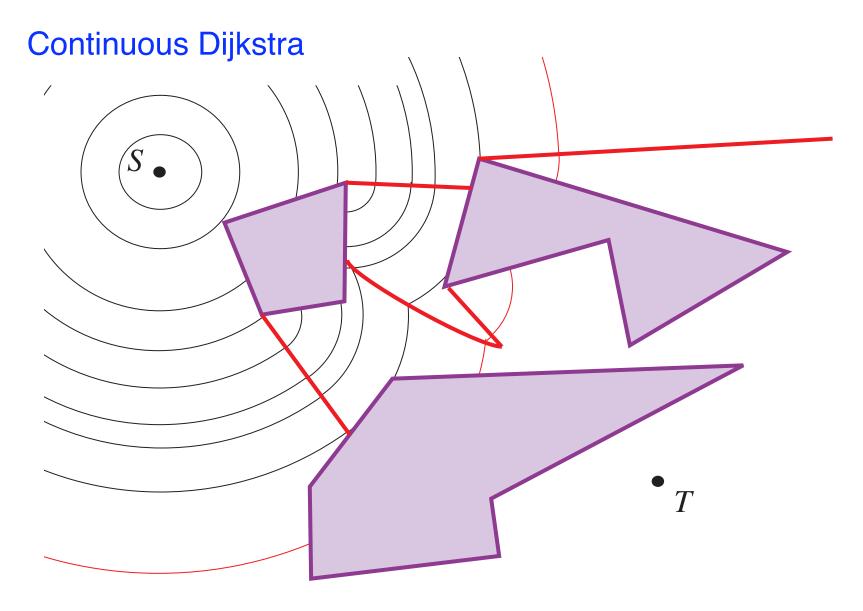


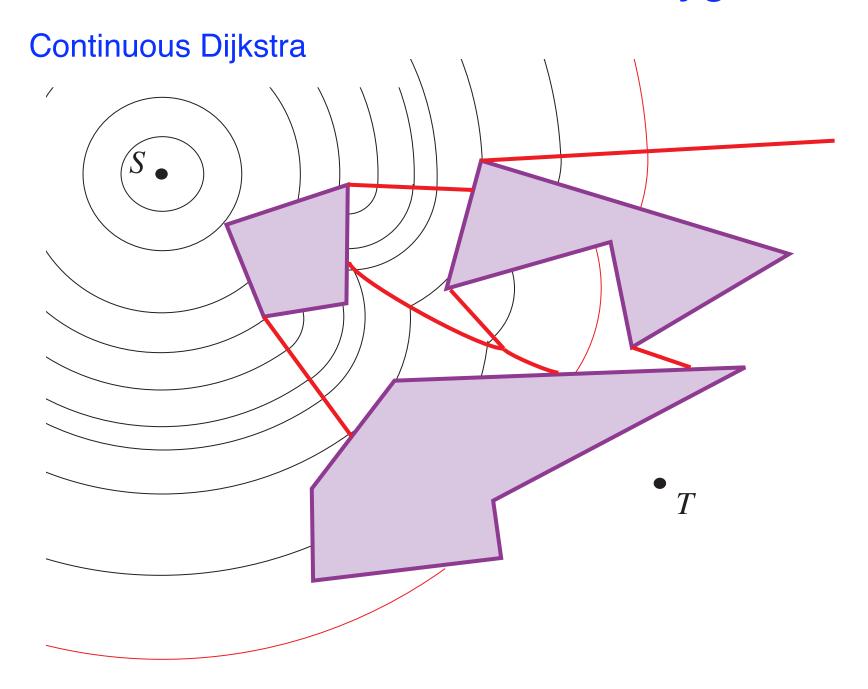


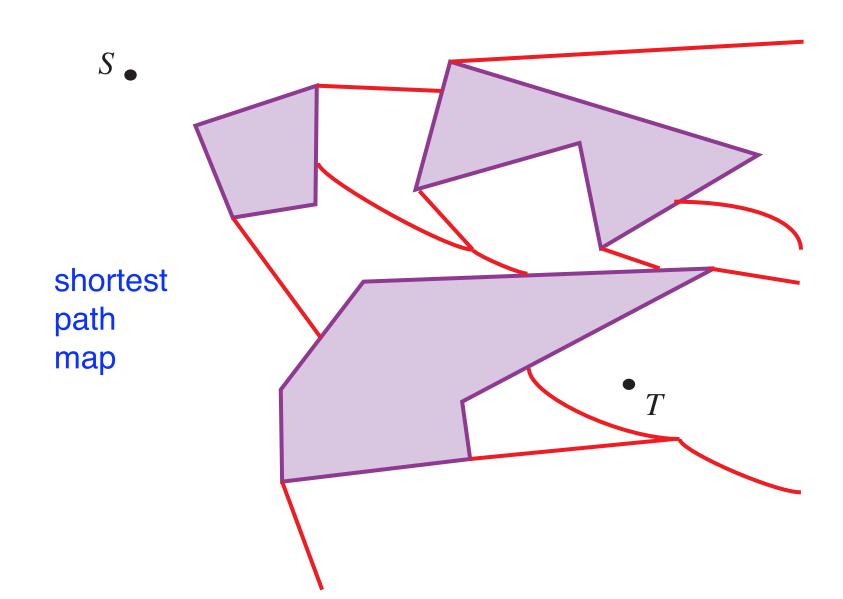


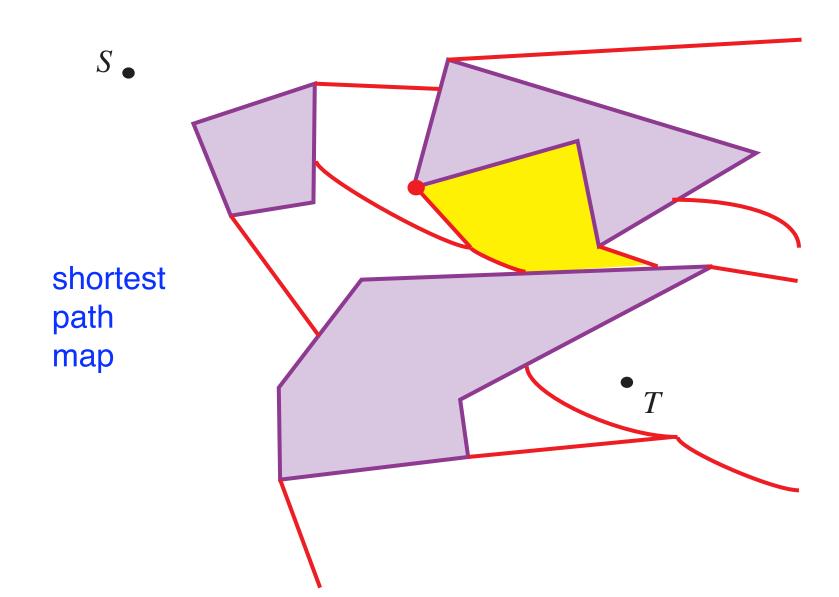


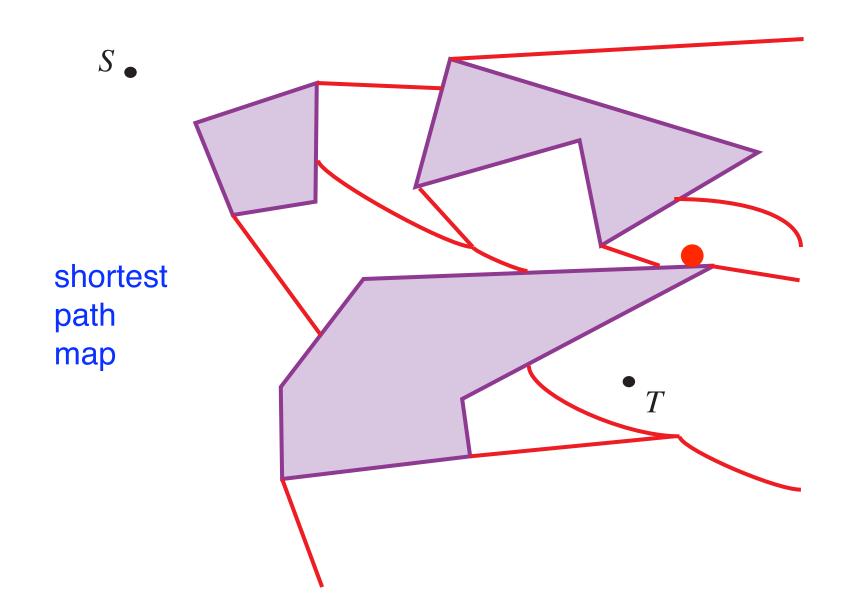


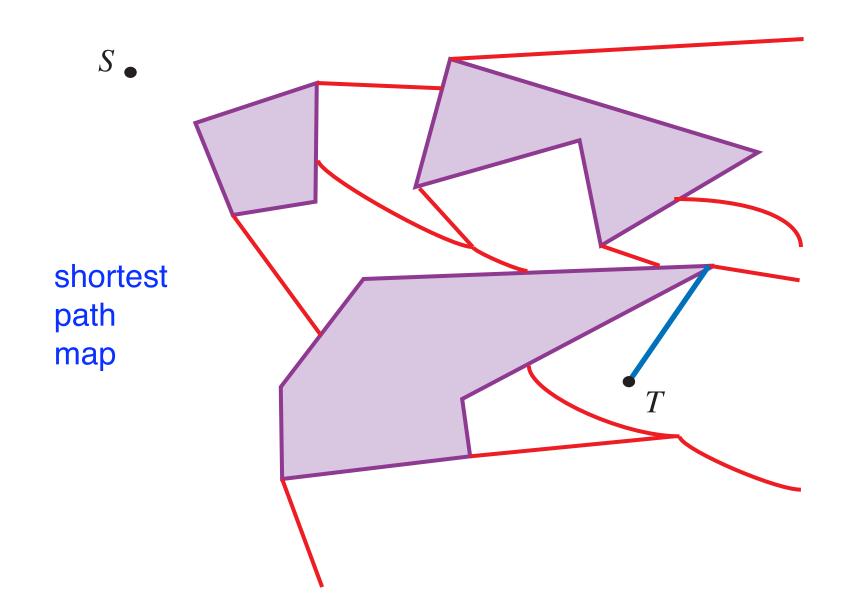




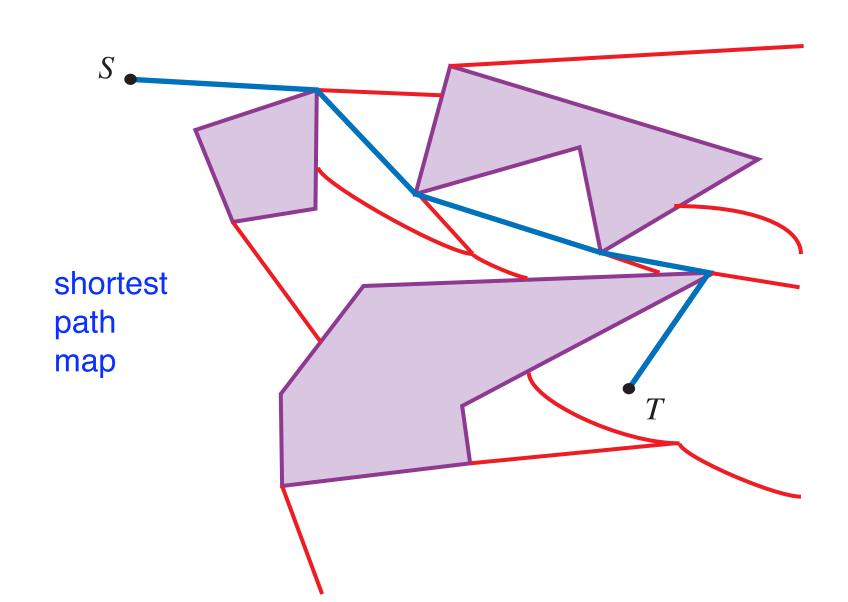






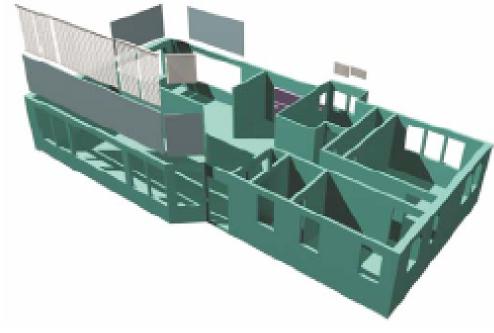


Continuous Dijkstra - O(n log n) Mitchell, Hershberger & Suri, '93



the general problem



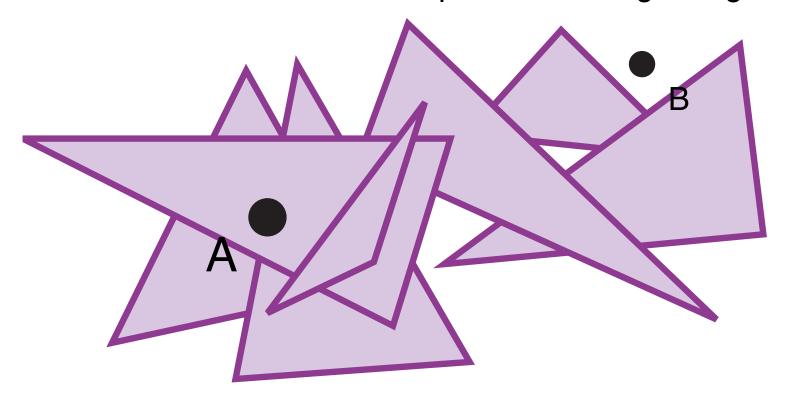


- NP-hard
- PSPACE algorithm, Canny '88
- approximation algorithms
- efficient algorithm for paths on polyhedral surfaces

the general problem

NP-hard -- Canny & Reif, 1987

even for the case of parallel floating triangles

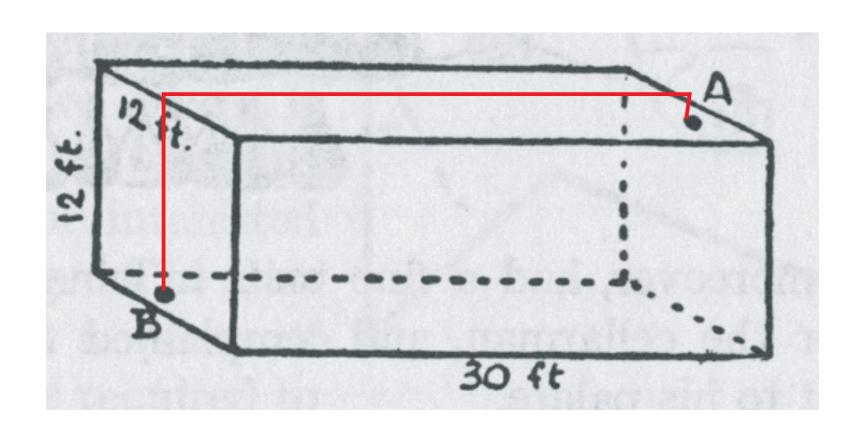


there are good approximation algorithms

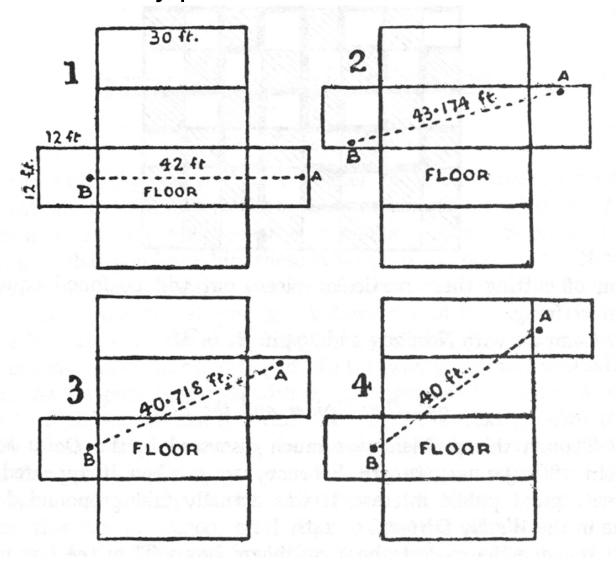
Shortest Path Problem on a Polyhedral Surface

the spider and the fly problem

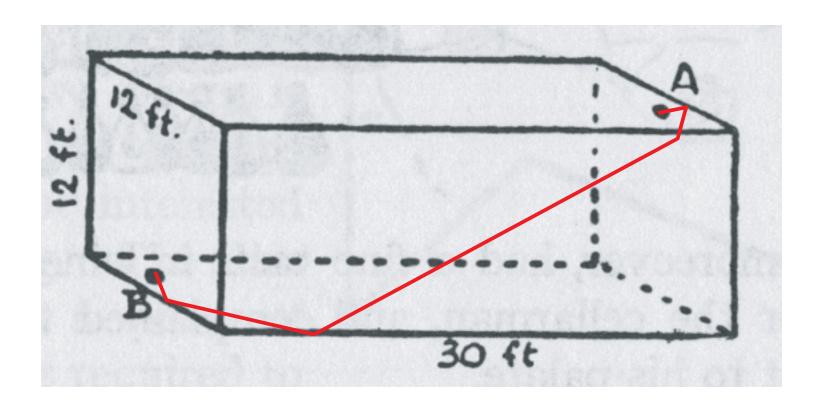
Dudeney, The Canterbury Puzzles, 1958



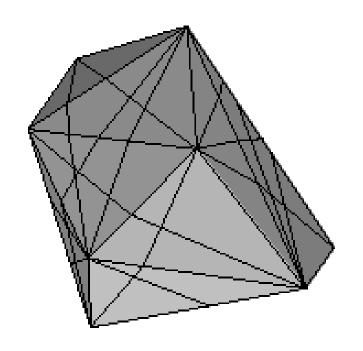
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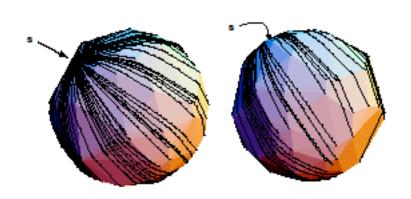


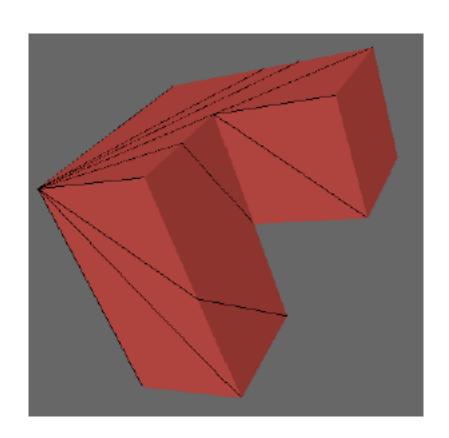
paths on polyhedral surfaces



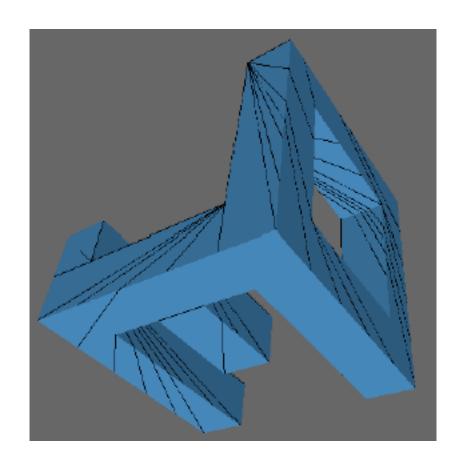
- -- O(n⁵) O'Rourke, Suri, Booth, '85
- -- $O(n^2)$ Chen, Han, '96
- -- O(n log²n) Kapoor, '99
- -- approximation algorithms

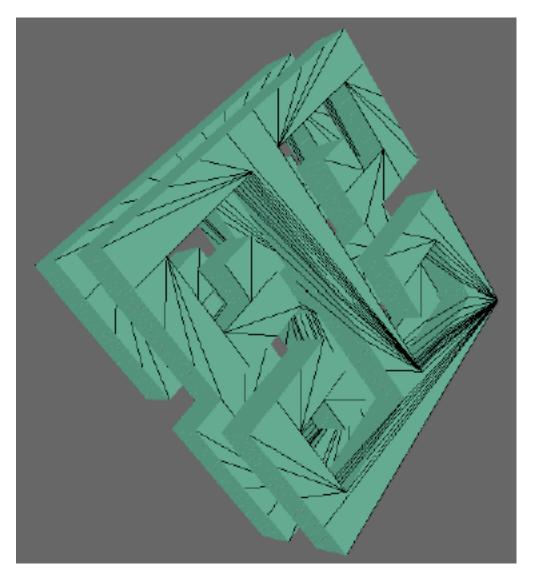
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