

## INTERPOLATION ALGORITHMS

Why:

- Remeshing
- Multi-Disciplinary Code Coupling
- Boundary Conditions from Discrete Data
- Visualization

## BASIC IDEA: SHAPE-FUNCTION VALUES OF COORDINATES

Given:

- Element  $el$  With Shape-Functions/Nodes:  $N^i, \mathbf{x}_i$
- Point With Coordinates  $\mathbf{x}_p$

Then:

$$\mathbf{x}_p = \sum_i N^i \mathbf{x}_i$$

Point In Element Iff:

$$\min(N^i, 1 - N^i) > 0, \quad \forall i$$

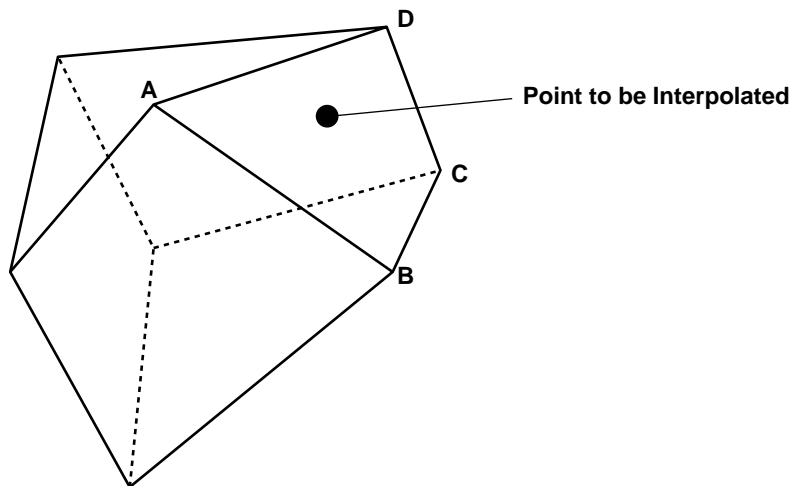


Figure 12.1 Interpolation for a Deformed Brick Element

## BRUTE FORCE

### Given:

- Elements and Points of Known Grid
- Point of Unknown Grid
- Other Info
  - None

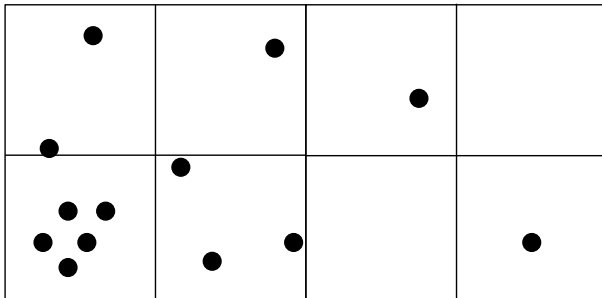
### Then:

- Vector-Loop Over the Elements of Known Grid,  
Checking

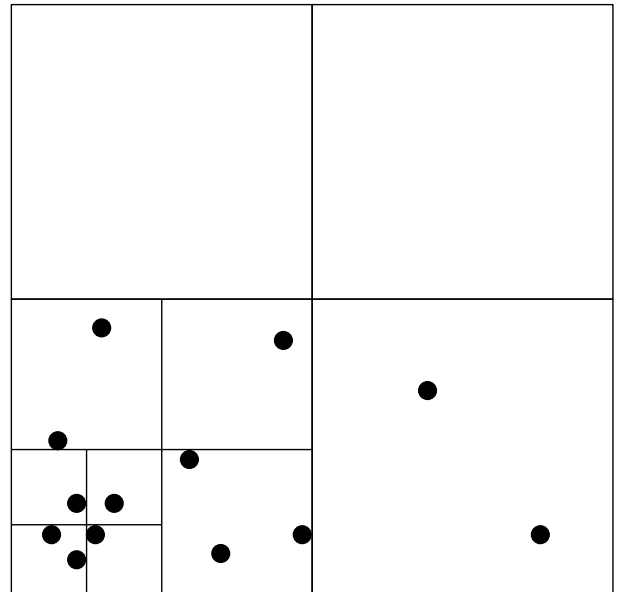
### Remarks:

- Fastest 1-Time Start Algorithm

## FASTEST N-TIME START ALGORITHM: OCTREE SEARCH



a) Bin



b) Quadtree

Algorithms to Determine Spatial Proximity

## FASTEST N-TIME START ALGORITHM: OCTREE SEARCH

### Given:

- Elements and Points of Known Grid
- Point of Unknown Grid
- Other Info:
  - Octree of Points of Known Grid
  - List of Elements Surr. Points of Known Grid

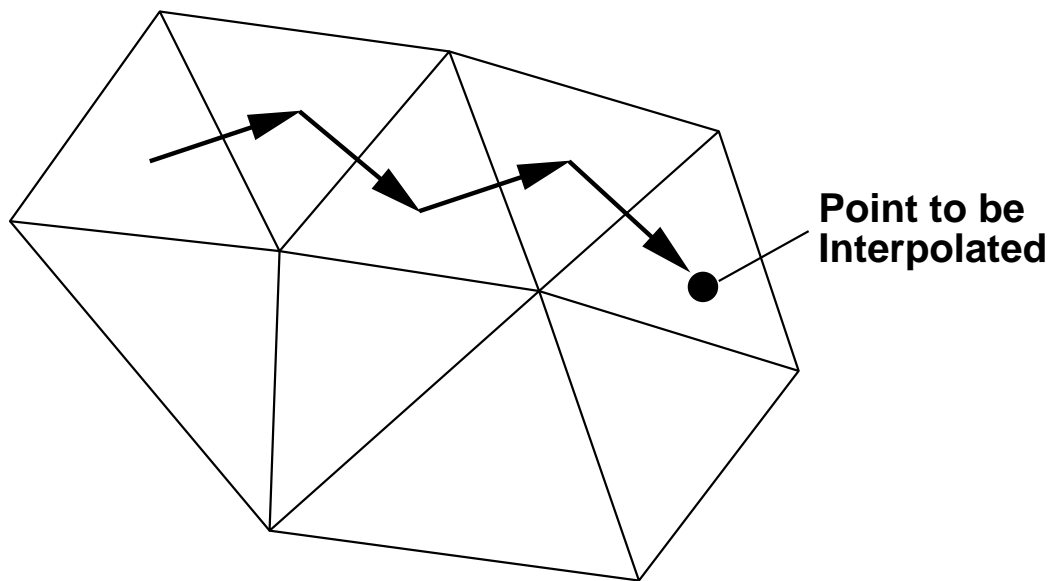
### Then:

- Get Close Points of Known Grid From Octree
- Check Elements Surr. Close Points

### Remarks:

- Fastest N-Time Start Algorithm
- $\Rightarrow$  Fastest Algorithm for Points

## NEIGHBOUR-TO-NEIGHBOUR



Neighbour-to-Neighbour Search

## NEIGHBOUR-TO-NEIGHBOUR

### Given:

- Elements and Points of Known Grid
- Point of Unknown Grid
- Other Info:
  - List of Neighbour Elements of Known Grid
  - Start-Element in Neighbourhood IESTA

### Then:

N.1 Compute Shape-Functions for IESTA

N.2 If Not In IESTA:

- Set IESTA To Neighbour Associated With  $\min(N^i)$ ;
- Goto N.1

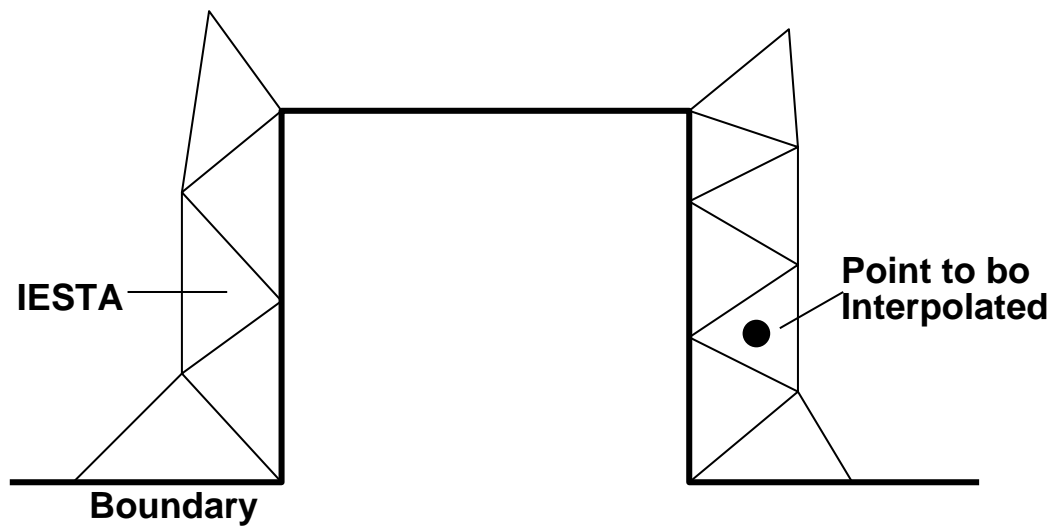
Endif

### Remarks:

- Fastest Algorithm for Known Vicinity
- $\Rightarrow$  Fastest Algorithm for Grid-Grid Transfer

## NEIGHBOUR-TO-NEIGHBOUR

Given:



Internal Boundaries



## ADVANCING FRONT VICINITY ALGORITHM

Idea: If Complete Mesh to Mesh Interpolation Desired:

Advance Interpolation Front Using Fast Neighbour Search

Given:

- Elements and Points of Known Grid
- Elements and Points of Unknown Grid
- Other Info:
  - List of Neighbour Elements of Known Grid
  - List of Elements Surr. Points for Unknown Grid

Then:

- A.1 Mark Elements and Points of Unknown Grid as Untouched
  - A.2 Initialize List of Front Points for Unknown Grid
  - A.3 Select Next Non-Interpolated Point From Front IPUNK
  - A.4 Obtain Starting Element IESTA in Known Grid
  - A.5 Attempt Nearest Neighbour Search for NTRY Attempts;
    - IF Unsuccessful: Use Brute Force
    - IF Unsuccessful: Stop or Skip
- ⇒ IEEND

A.6 Store Shape-Functions and Host Elements

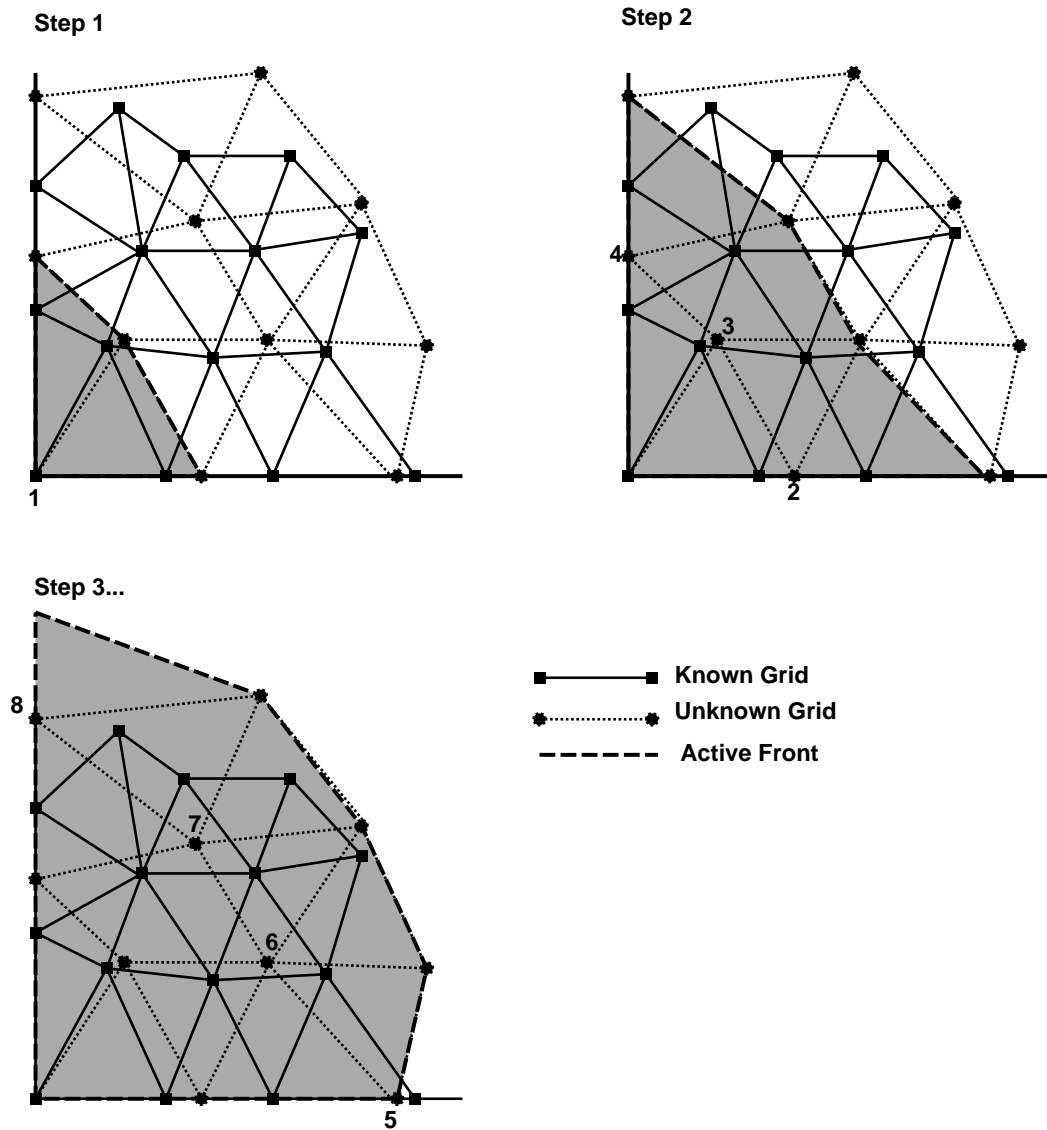
A.7 Loop Over Elements Surrounding IPUNK:

- IF: Element Has Not Been Marked:
  - Mark the Element
  - Loop Over the Points of This Element:
    - IF: the Point Has Not Been Marked:
      - Store IEEND as Starting Element  
For This Point;
      - Include This Point In Front;
  - ENDIF
- ENDIF

A.9 Mark Point IPUNK as Interpolated and

GOTO A.3

# ADVANCING FRONT VICINITY ALGORITHM



Advancing-Front Vicinity Search

## IMPROVEMENTS

- Inside-Out Interpolation
  - Prefer Interior Points
- Vectorization
- Layering of Brute Force Search
  - Octree
  - Brute Force With Boundary Elements
  - Brute Force With Complete Mesh
- Concavity Measures

## VECTORIZATION (1)

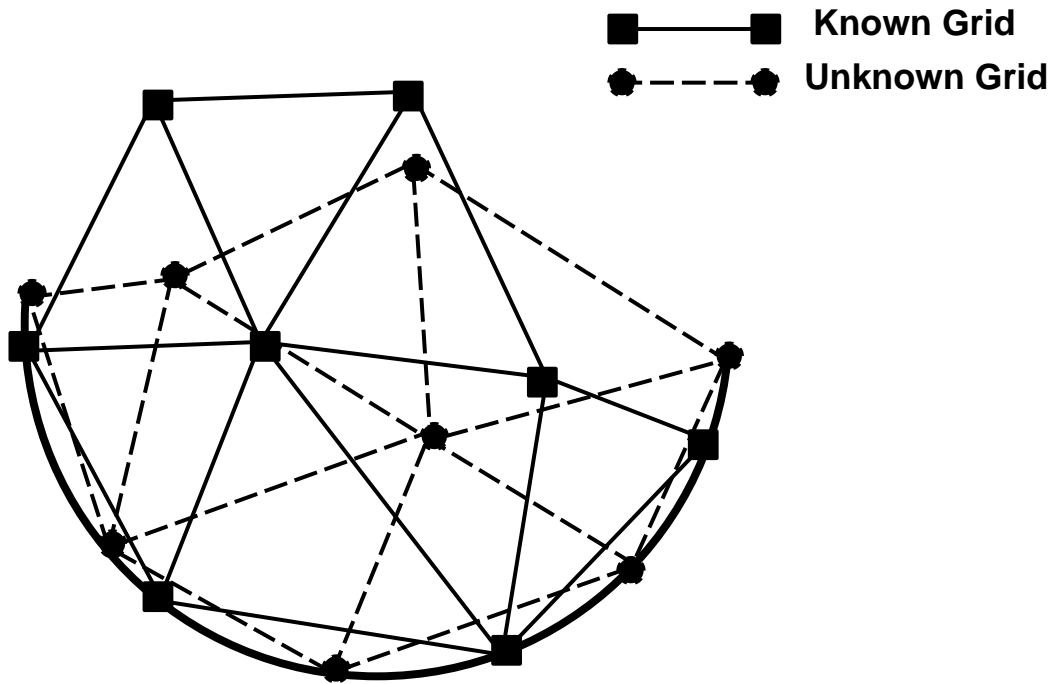
### Key Ideas

- Interpolate Many Points At the Same Time
- Advance in Layers
- Work on ‘Remaining List of Points’
- Refresh List When Depleted

## VECTORIZATION (2)

- V.0 Set Remaining Number of Points  $\text{NPREM} = \text{NPFRT}$
- V.1 Perform Interpolation Checks in Vector Mode for  $\text{NPREM}$
- V.2 Write the  $\text{NPNXT}$  Points with No Host Elements into  $\text{LPCUR}(1:\text{NPNXT})$ ;  
If  $\text{NPNXT} = 0$ : Stop.
- V.3 Write the  $\text{NPREM} - \text{NPNXT}$  Points with Host Elements into  $\text{LPCUR}(\text{NPNXT} + 1 : \text{NPREM})$
- V.4 Reorder Arrays with  $\text{LPCUR}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Remaining Points in  $1:\text{NPNXT}$
- V.5 Set  $\text{NPREM} = \text{NPNXT}$  and go to V.1.

## CONCAVE BOUNDARIES



Problems at Concave Boundaries

## MEASURING CONCAVITY

Why: Concave Surfaces  $\Rightarrow O(N_b^2)$ -Search

Idea: Measure Concavity and Proximity

- Measure Used: Visibility of Neighbouring Faces

$$d = \alpha |\min(0, \mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{x}_i))| \quad , \quad 0.5 < \alpha < 1.5$$

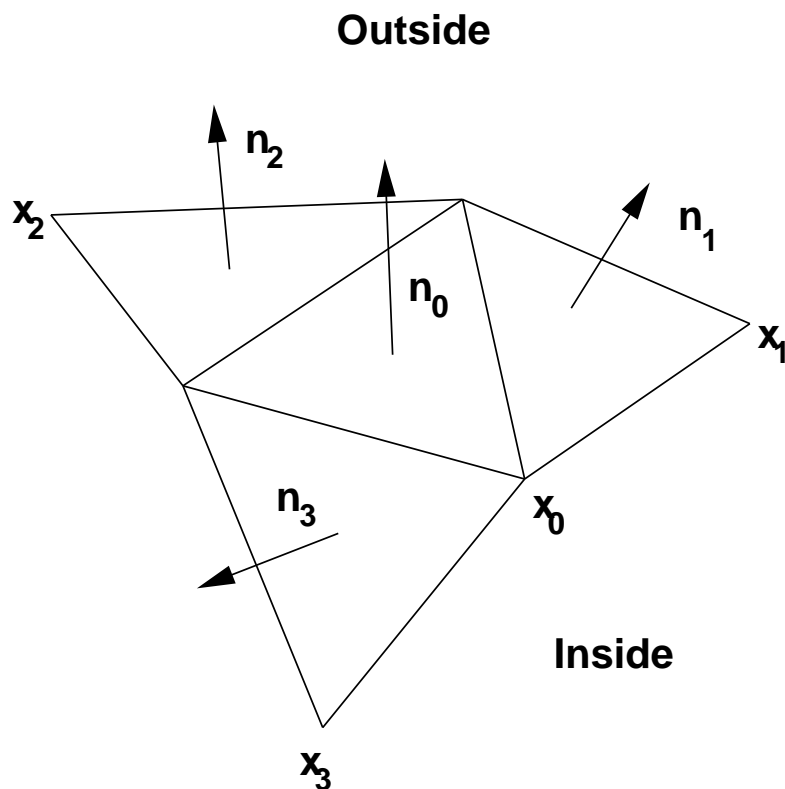
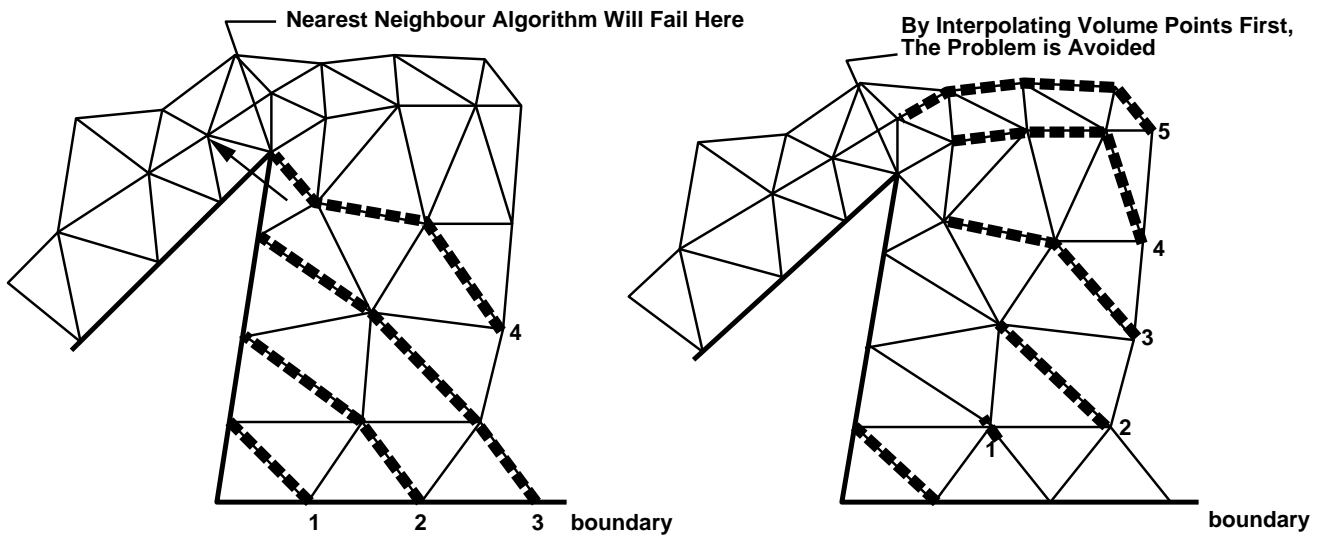


Figure 12.9 Measuring Concavity



## INSIDE-OUT INTERPOLATION



Inside-Out Interpolation

**Table 1** Interpolation Timings

Case	NELEM <sub>1</sub>	NELEM <sub>2</sub>	# BFS	CPU-scalar	CPU-vector	Sp
Cube <sub>1</sub>	34,661	30,801	0	0.1399	0.0283	4.9
Cube <sub>2</sub>	34,661	160,355	0	0.5360	0.1104	4.8
Train <sub>1</sub>	180,670	243,068	31	1.1290	0.3405	3.3
Train <sub>2</sub>	180,670	243,068	0	0.9905	0.2020	4.9