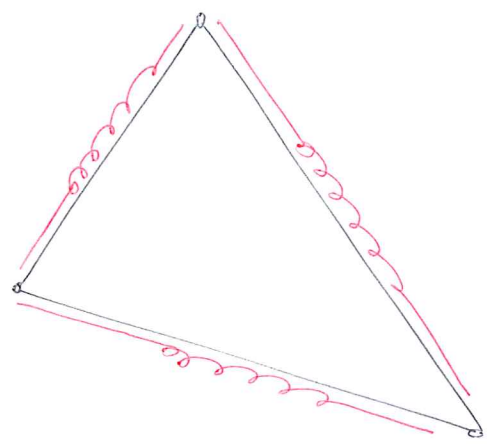
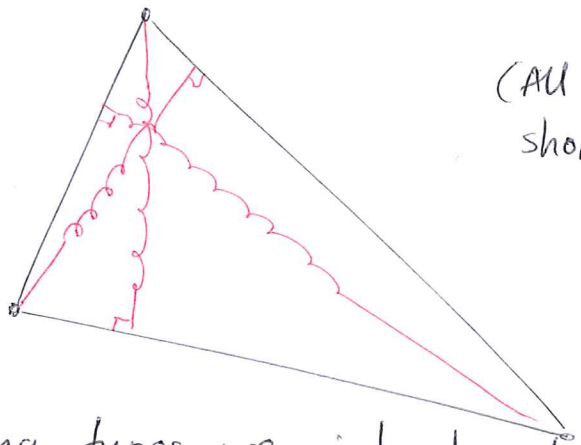


Types of springs employed in constructing cloth models

Edge Springs:

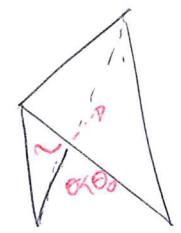
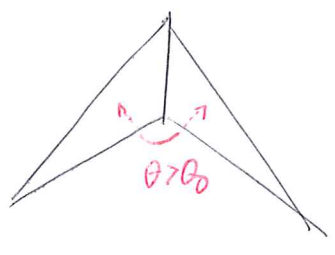
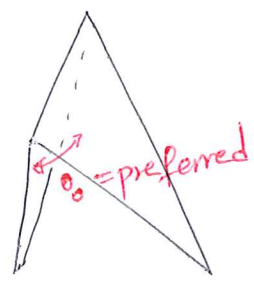


Altitude Springs:



(All three, or just shortest one)

So far, none of the spring types we introduced does anything to discourage "bending" (or impart a "preferred" angle between two triangles)



Approaches:

→ Some sort of "angle spring" i.e. something like $f = -c(\theta - \theta_0)$
(Compare with $f = -k(l - l_0)$)

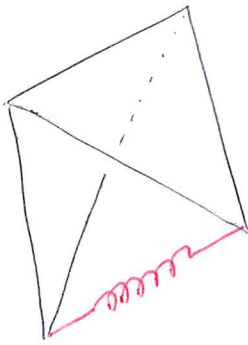
⇒ Reasonable in principle, but

- Unclear where such forces should be applied (on vertices? triangles? edges?)

Any ad-hoc choices for this could easily risk violating conservation of linear or angular momentum (appearing as "ghost" forces that accelerate or rotate an object).

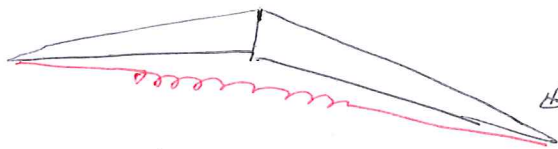
- See Monday's talk for more details.

→ Approximate with "cross-connect" springs



- + Restlength can be easily adjusted to mimic a "preferred" bend angle
- Not purely an "angle" spring; it interferes with in-plane stretch resistance

e.g. (Near flat pair of triangles)



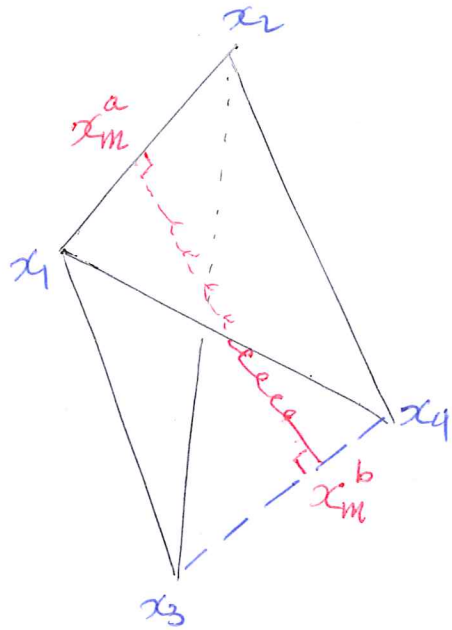
The "bend" spring affects the perceived in-plane response of the triangles to stretching.

Still these springs are very popular due to their simplicity.

Implementation: Instance \perp spring per adjacent triangle pair (or \perp spring for each mesh edge neighboring 2 triangles).

→ Another approach: "Modified" Bending Springs

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Place a spring along the shortest segment connecting lines $\overline{x_1x_2}$ and $\overline{x_3x_4}$ (this spring has to be perpendicular to both line segments).

⇒ Less invasive on overall perceived (in-plane) stiffness.

⇒ Need to compute 2 interpolation ratios:

α_1 : For x_m^a w.r.t. (x_1 & x_2)

α_2 : For x_m^b w.r.t. (x_3 & x_4)

⇒ Implementation of forces: similar to altitude springs, i.e.

• Interpolate velocities e.g. $v_m^a = (1-\alpha_1)v_1 + \alpha_1 v_2$ for damping

• Distribute forces, e.g. $f_3 = (1-\alpha_2)f_m^b$

$f_4 = \alpha_2 f_m^b$

Two additional implementation details:

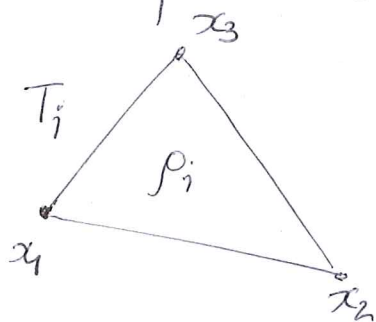
⇒ How to specify mass of particles?

1. Use constant mass for all particles $m_i = \frac{M_{total}}{\#particles} = const$

→ Simple, and CG may actually converge faster!

→ Inaccurate when there's a variety of triangle sizes

2. Compute mass on a triangle-by-triangle basis:

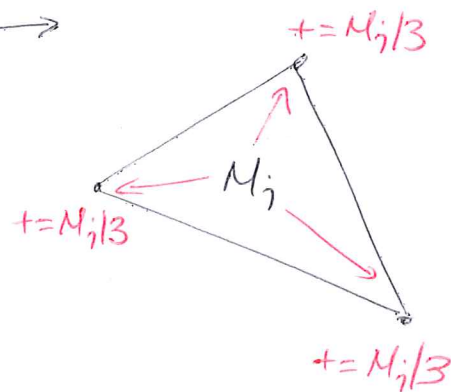


→ Compute Mass of Triangle (M_i)

$$M_i = \rho_i \cdot \text{Area}(x_1 \hat{\Delta} x_2 x_3)$$

$\rho_i = \text{density}$
(mass per unit area)

Distribute $1/3$ to each vertex



foreach (Triangle $T_e = x_i \hat{\Delta} x_j x_k$)

$$\text{Area}_e \leftarrow \frac{1}{2} \| (\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j) \times (\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_k) \|_2$$

$$M_e = \rho_e \cdot \text{Area}_e$$

$$m_i += M_e/3; m_j += M_e/3; m_k += M_e/3$$

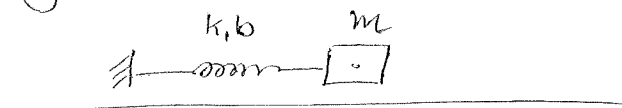
⇒ How to specify damping parameters?

$$\text{Damping force } f^d = -b n \vec{n}^T (v_i - v_j)$$

A constant b for all springs will look odd, if triangles of many different sizes are present

We can gather some intuition from the 1D case:

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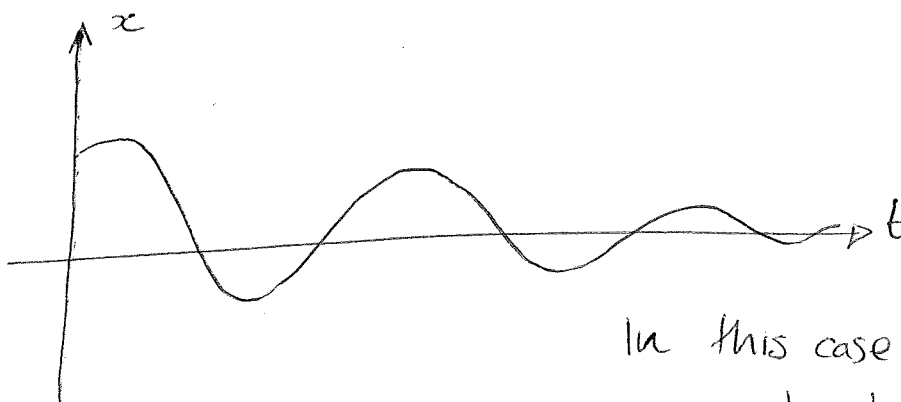
$$f = m x''(t) = -kx(t) - b v(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{m x'' + b x' + k x = 0}$$

This O.D.E. can have 3 "types" of solutions:

→ If $b^2 < 4mk$ the solution is oscillatory

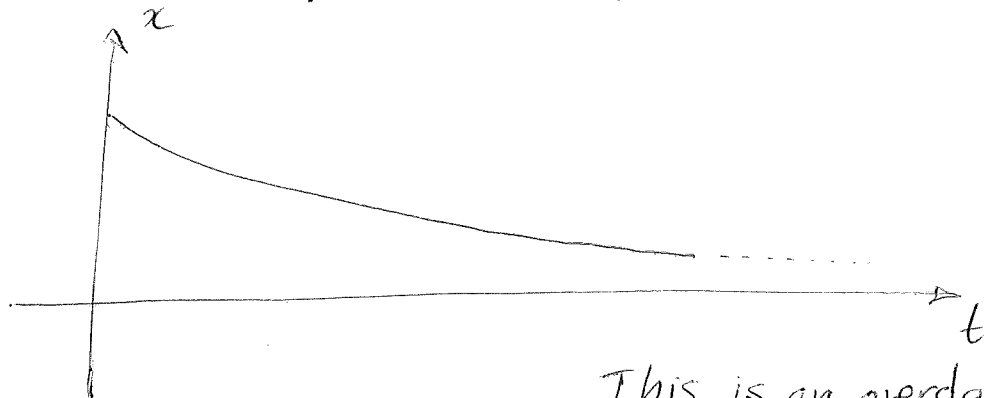
$$x(t) = e^{-\lambda_1 t} \left\{ c_2 \cos(\omega t) + c_3 \sin(\omega t) \right\}$$



In this case the spring is called
underdamped

→ If $b^2 > 4mk$ the solution decays slowly, w/o oscillations:

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{-\lambda_1 t} + c_3 e^{-\lambda_2 t}$$



This is an overdamped spring.

→ If $b^2 = 4mk$ this is called critical damping

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$$x(t) = (c_1 t + c_2) e^{-|c_3| t}$$



⇒ This is the "fastest" decay we can force, without making the motion oscillatory.

⇒ Idea: Define "Critical" $b_0 = 2\sqrt{mk}$

and specify chosen b as $b = \gamma \cdot b_0$

$$\gamma = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{yields critical damping} \\ < 1 & \Rightarrow \text{underdamped (oscillatory)} \\ > 1 & \Rightarrow \text{overdamped (slow decay)} \end{cases}$$

For our 3D spring, the ratio k/l_0 plays the role of

↳ Young's modulus

the "spring constant", so the critical value b_0 is

$$b_0 = 2\sqrt{\frac{mk}{l_0}}$$

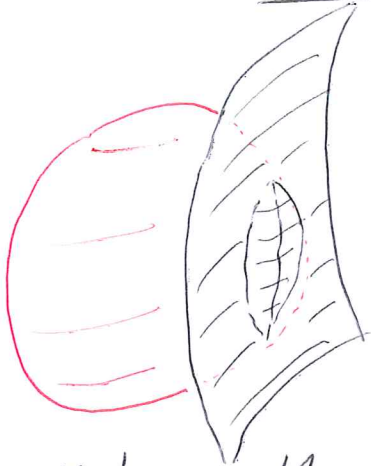
(Note: In practice, we would also have $m \propto l_0$, which is why it may not be so bad to specify b as a "constant".)

⇒ Ultimately, specify just the value of γ , across the cloth model.

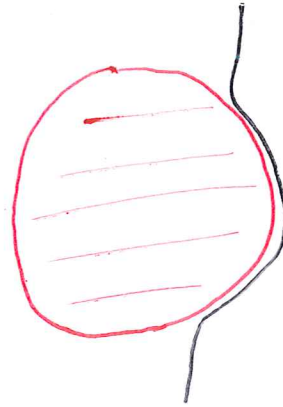
Collisions

Various types, approaches, methods, etc...

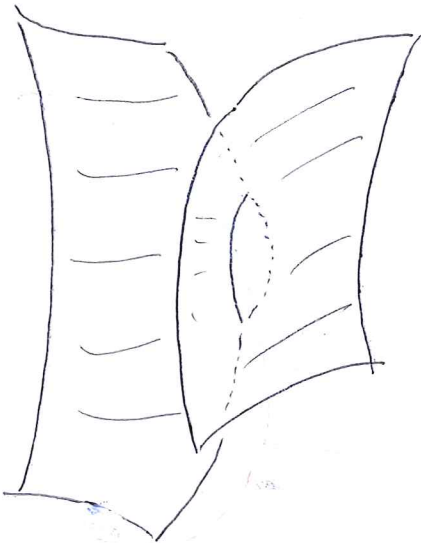
→ Collision with kinematic objects:



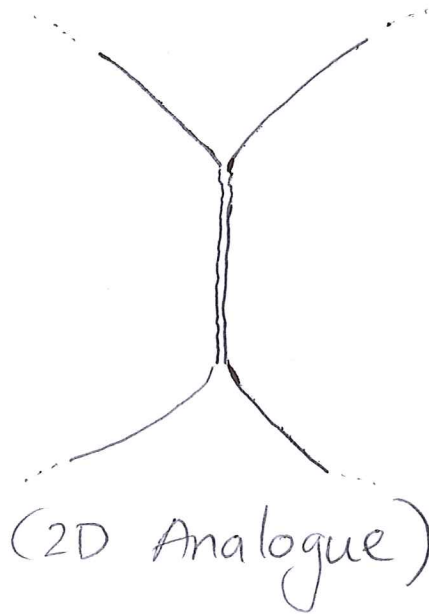
(3D) Cloth collides with kinematic sphere
→ Self collision



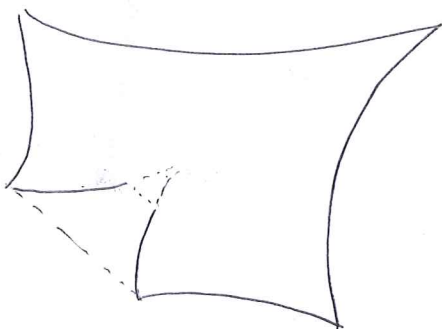
(2D Analogue)



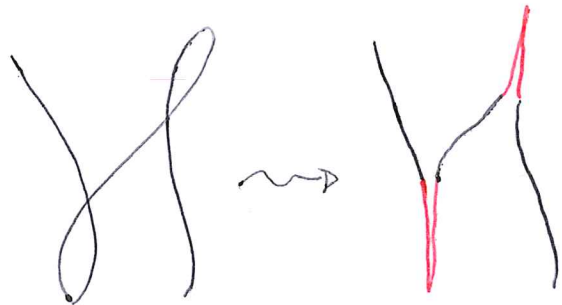
(3D) Two pieces of cloth collide



(2D Analogue)



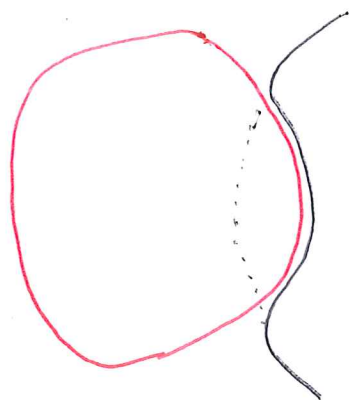
One cloth colliding with itself



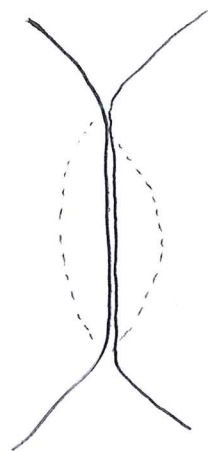
Self-collisions

We will illustrate these aspects in 2D

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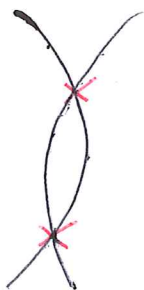
Object collision



Self collision

Another classification:

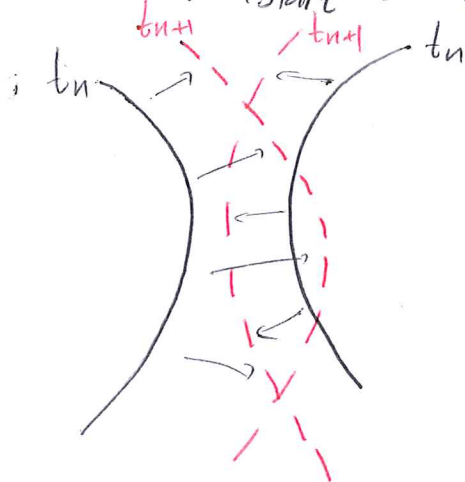
⇒ Static collision "Do objects collide now?"



⇒ Dynamic collision (or moving collision)

"At their current trajectories, will objects collide between

$t = t_{start}$ & $t = t_{end}$?"



The "typical" stages of collision handling are:

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⇒ I. Collision detection

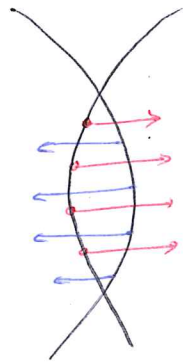
⇒ Determine if a collision is happening now, or if it is imminent (within the next interval dt)

⇒ II. Collision response

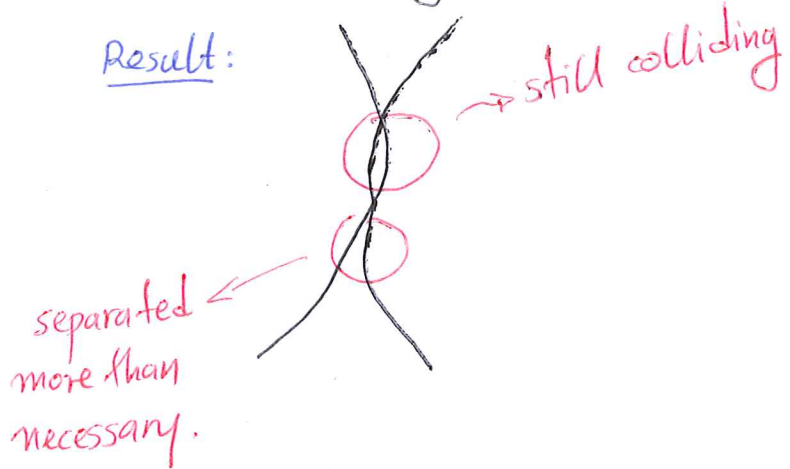
⇒ Try to fix or lessen the collision

↳ General approaches:

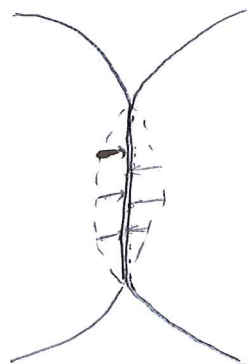
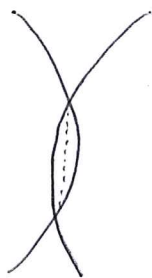
1. Penalty methods: Apply repulsive forces that try to push objects "out" of a colliding state



Result:



2. Impulse / projection methods: "Instantaneously" fix the collision



Pros: Tight contact
"May" generate collision-free state
Cons: Hard to make always work
(Repulsion is more forgiving).

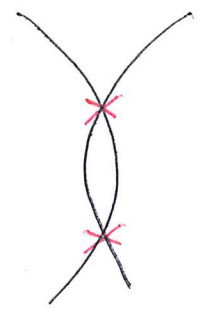
3. Do nothing during simulation, fix as a post-process (w/ some projection method)

Pros: Cheapest

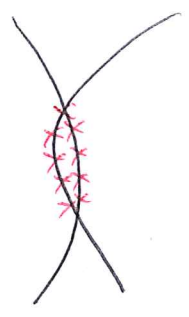
Cons: Unrealistic physics (volume loss, absence of friction, sliding, etc).

Collision DETECTION, in detail:

?? WHAT is colliding?



or



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Continuous vs. discrete detection/handling