

COURSE ON Computational Geometry

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Computational Geometry is about geometric problems and their efficient algorithmic solution on computers. Such geometric problems occur, for instance, in computer graphics, image processing, robotics, geographic information systems etc. But there are also many non-geometric problems that can be interpreted in a geometric way and thus allowing for solutions by Computational Geometry. This course of eight hours introduces into the following two-dimensional problems and their efficient solution using in Computational Geometry:

- Convex Hulls
- Line Segment Intersection
- Linear Programming (in 2D)
- Point Location
- Basic Robot Motion Planning

The course consists of lectures as well as exercises and will be held on four days. On the first three days, there will be exercise assignments which will be discussed at the beginning of the following day.

Dates: May 9, 10, 11, 14

Hours: 9:00 – 11:00

Place: Dipartimento di Informatica - edificio F (ex -stecca 7), sezione di fronte edificio F2, II piano, stanza n. 11 (http://web.unisa.it/vivere-il-campus/unisa-experience/campus-map)

The course is based on the following book which is highly recommended:

M. de Berg, M. van Kreveld, M. Overmars, O. Schwarzkopf: Computational Geometry: Algorithms and Applications. Third Edition, Springer, Berlin, 2008. ISBN 978-3-540-77973-5, DOI 10.1007/978-3-540-77974-2.http://www.springer.com/us/book/9783540779735

Short bio

Prof. Mark Minas holds Diploma and Doctoral degrees in Computer Science from the Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany. In 2000, he was awarded the postdoctoral university lecturing qualification (Habilitation) in Computer Science.

Prof. Minas works in the areas of visual languages and graph transformations. He applies concepts of graph grammars in order to specify and generate graphical diagram editors, which may be used with a traditional user interface or using gesture-based and sketch-based interaction. These concepts have been realized in the tools DiaGen and DiaMeta (https://go.unibw.de/diagen). Analyzing diagrams based on graph grammars requires efficient graph parsing. Recent work on the tool Grappa (https://go.unibw.de/grappa) applies well-known concepts from string parsing to graph grammars, yielding highly efficient parsers.

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