

# Online Motion Planning MA-INF 1314

## Bug-Algorithm

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# Repetition: Pledge Algorithm with sensor errors

Pledge-like curve!

**Def.**  $\mathcal{K}$  class of curves in  $\mathcal{C}_{\text{frei}} \cup \mathcal{C}_{\text{halb}}$ , with the following conditions:

1. Parameterized curve with turn-angles and position:

$$C(t) = (P(t), \varphi(t)) \text{ mit } P(t) = (X(t), Y(t))$$

2. Curve surrounds obstacle by Left-Hand-Rule

3. Leaves point is a vertex of an obstacle

4.  $\mathcal{C}_{\text{free}}$ -condition holds:

$$\forall t_1, t_2 \in C : P(t_1), P(t_2) \in \mathcal{C}_{\text{free}} \Rightarrow |\varphi(t_1) - \varphi(t_2)| < \pi$$

5.  $\mathcal{C}_{\text{half}}$ -condition holds:

$$\forall h_i, t \in C : P(t) = P(h_i) \Rightarrow \varphi(t) - \varphi(h_i) < \pi$$

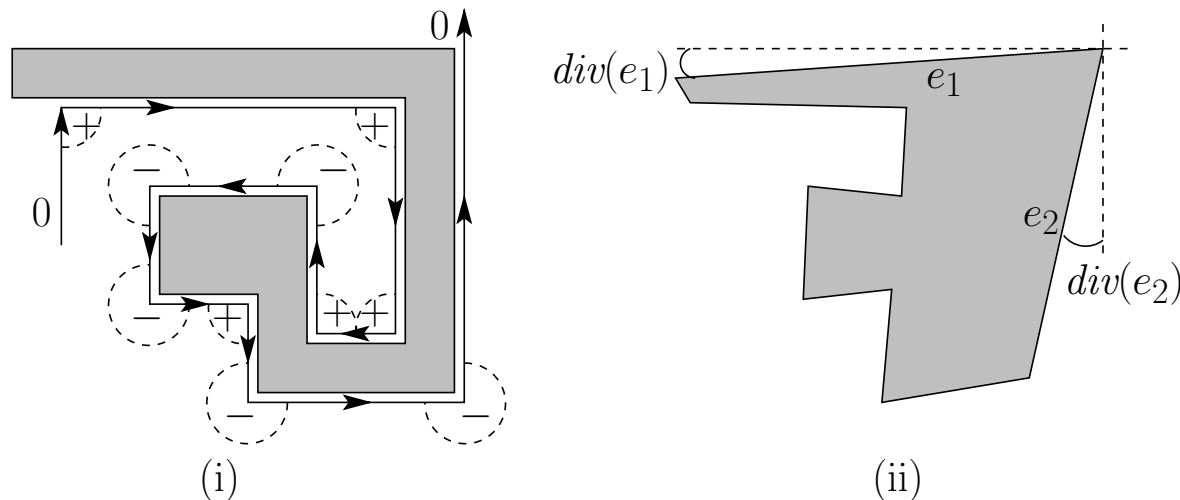
## Rep.: Proof correctness

- **Lemma** Curves from  $\mathcal{K}$  do not self-intersect.■
- **Lemma** Curves from  $\mathcal{K}$  hit any edge once.■
- **Lemma** For any curve from  $\mathcal{K}$ : Obstacle will no longer be left, then the curve is enclosed by the obstacle.■
- **Theorem** Curves from  $\mathcal{K}$  escape, if this is possible.■



# Rep: Pseudo orthogonal

- Small deviations at the vertices! From global coordinates!■
- 1. Condition: Numbers convex vert. = reflex vert. + 4 ■
- Small deviations!■
- $\text{div}(e) : e = (v, w)$  smallest deviation from horizontal/vertical line passing durch  $v$  und  $w$ ■
- $\text{div}(P) := \max_{e \in P} \text{div}(e) \leq \delta$ , **Def.:**  $\delta$ -pseudo orthogonal scene■



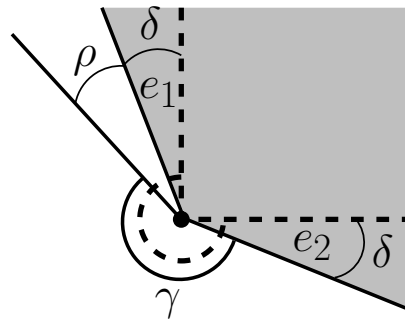
## Rep: $\delta$ -pseudo orthogonal

**Corollary**  $\delta$ -pseudo-orthogonal scene  $P$ . Measure angles with precision  $\rho$  s.th.  $\delta + \rho < \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Deviation in the free space always smaller than  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 2\delta - \rho$  from global starting direction. Escape from a labyrinth is guaranteed■

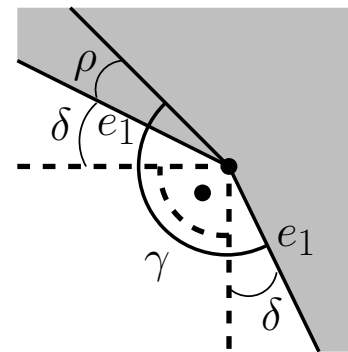
1. Distinguish reflex/convex corners: Counting the turns! ■
2. Max. global deviation of starting direction: Intervall  $\pi$ ■
3. Distinguish: Horizontal/Vertical■

# Rep.: $\delta$ -pseudo orthogonal scene

- Precision  $\rho$  with  $\delta + \rho < \frac{\pi}{4}$
- Free-space max. deviation  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 2\delta - \rho$
- 1. Distinguish reflex/convex corners: Worst-case



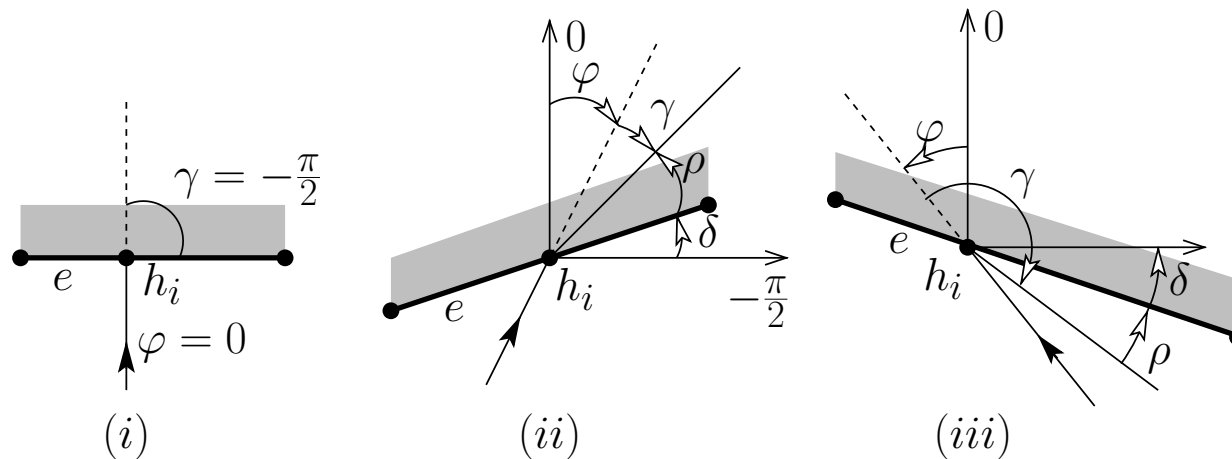
convex vertex



reflex vertex

# Szene $\delta$ -pseudo orthogonal

- Precision  $\rho$  with  $\delta + \rho < \frac{\pi}{4}$
- Free-space max. deviation  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 2\delta - \rho$
- 3. Horizontal/vertical: Worst-case



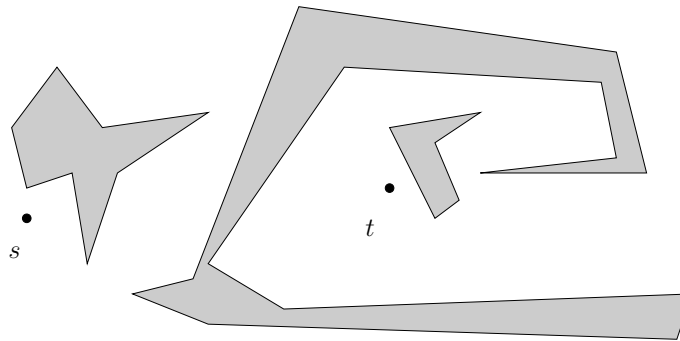


# Szene $\delta$ -pseudo-orthogonal

- Precision  $\rho$  with  $\delta + \rho < \frac{\pi}{4}$
- Free-Space deviation  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 2\delta - \rho$
- 2. Max. global deviation of starting direction: Intervall  $\pi$
- Leave in  $[-\delta, \delta]$
- Deviation for the next hit:  $\frac{\pi}{4} - 2\delta - \rho$

# Find a target point

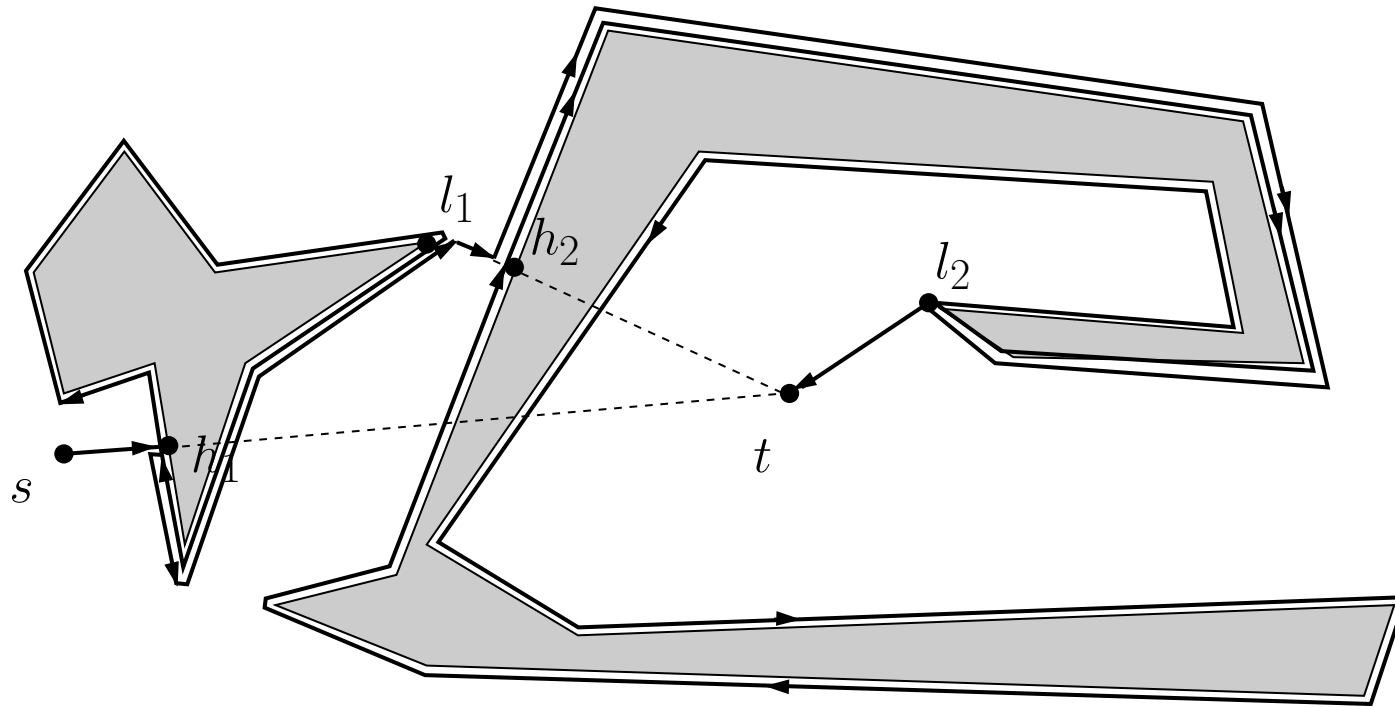
- Searching for a given goal: Navigation■
- Polygonal environment: Finite number of polygons■
- Touch sensor: Hand-Rules■
- Start  $s$ , target  $t$ , coordinates are given ■
- Finite storage: I.e. Own coordinates■
- BUG Algorithms: Sojourner■



# Notations

- $|pq|$  distance between  $p$  and  $q$  ■
- $D := |st|$  distance from start to goal ■
- $\Pi_S$  path of strategy  $S$  from start to goal ■
- $|\Pi_S|$  length of the path  $\Pi_S$  ■
- $UP_i$  perimeter of obstacle  $P_i$ . ■
- Actions: ■
  1. Move into direction of the target ■
  2. Follow the wall ■
- Leave-Points  $l_i$ , Hit-Points  $h_i$  ■

# BUG1 strategy: Lumelsky/Stepanov



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0.  $l_0 := s, i := 1$
1. From  $l_{i-1}$  move into target direction, until
  - (a) Goal is reached: Stop!
  - (b) An obstacle is met at  $h_i$ .
2. Surround the obstacle  $O$  in cw order — continuously calculate and store the point  $l_i$  on  $O$  closest to  $t$  —, until
  - (a) Goal is reached: Stop!
  - (b)  $h_i$  is visited again!
3. Move along the shortest path along  $O$  to  $l_i$ .
4. Increment  $i$ , GOTO 1.

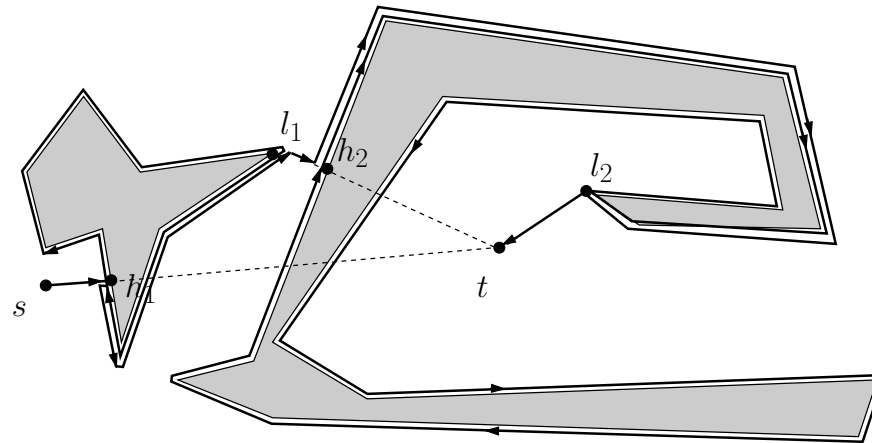


# Correctness BUG1 strategy

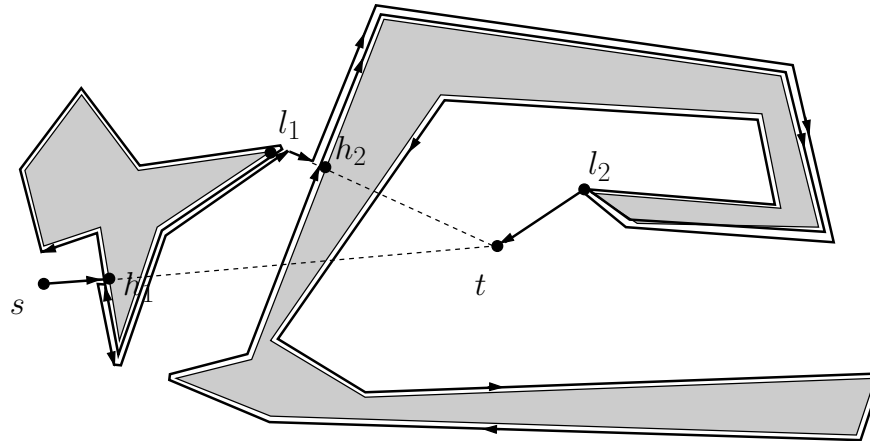
**Theorem** The strategy BUG1 finds a path from  $s$  to  $t$ , if such a path exists.■

**Proof:**■

- Sequence of Hit- and Leave-Points  $h_i, l_i$ ■
- $|st| \geq |h_1t| \geq |l_1t| \dots \geq |h_kt| \geq |l_kt|$ ■



# Theorem Correctness BUG1 strategy



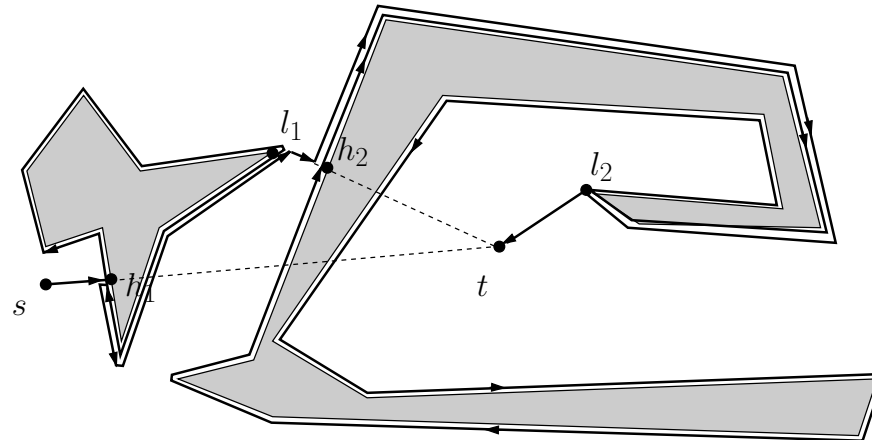
- Point with smallest distance to  $t$ : Leave-Point  $l_i$
- No free movement to  $t \Rightarrow$  enclosed
- $l_i \neq l_j$ , new obstacle!
- Finitely many obstacles  $\Rightarrow$  correctness

# Path length BUG1 strategy

**Theorem** Let  $\Pi_{\text{Bug1}}$  be the path from  $s$  to  $t$ , calculated by the BUG1-strategy. We have:  $|\Pi_{\text{Bug1}}| \leq D + \frac{3}{2} \sum_i \text{UP}_i$ . ■

Proof: ■

- Subdivision: Free space path, surrounding ■
- Surrounding, then shortest path to  $l_i$  ■
- $\frac{3}{2} \sum \text{UP}_i$  ■
- Finally: Path  $D'$  between the obstacles ■





**Theorem**  $|\Pi_{\text{Bug1}}| \leq D + \frac{3}{2} \sum_i \text{UP}_i.$

Proof:  $D'$  between the obstacles

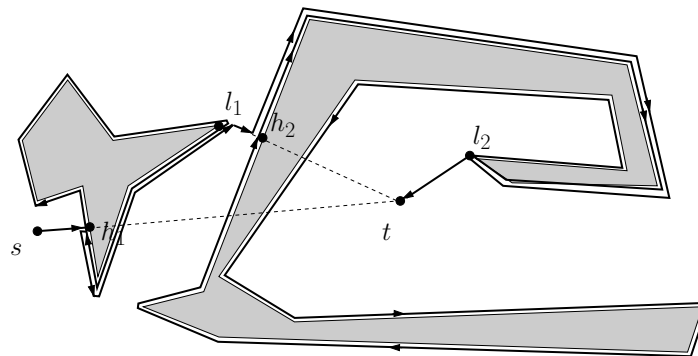
$$D' = |sh_1| + |\ell_1 h_2| + \dots + |\ell_{k-1} h_k| + |\ell_k t|$$

$$\leq |sh_1| + |\ell_1 h_2| + \dots + |\ell_{k-1} h_k| + |h_k t|$$

$$= |sh_1| + |\ell_1 h_2| + \dots + |\ell_{k-1} t|$$

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$$\leq |sh_1| + |\ell_1 t| \leq |sh_1| + |h_1 t| = |st| = D$$



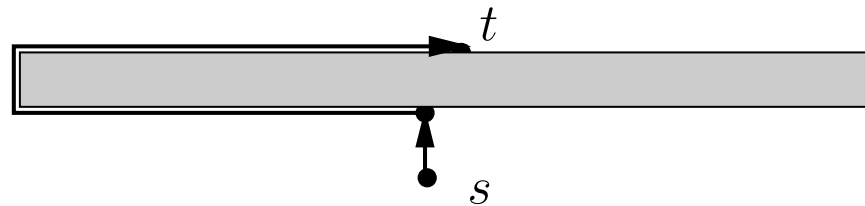
# Lower bound?

- Show: Bug1 is  $\frac{3}{2}$ -competitive ■
- Surround the obstacles along the path ■
- **Corollary** Bug1 is  $\frac{3}{2}$ -competitive ■
- Adversary strategy for the model ■
- Actions: ■
  1. Move into direction ■
  2. Follow the wall ■
- Leave-Points  $l_i$ , Hit-Points  $h_i$  ■

# Lower bound

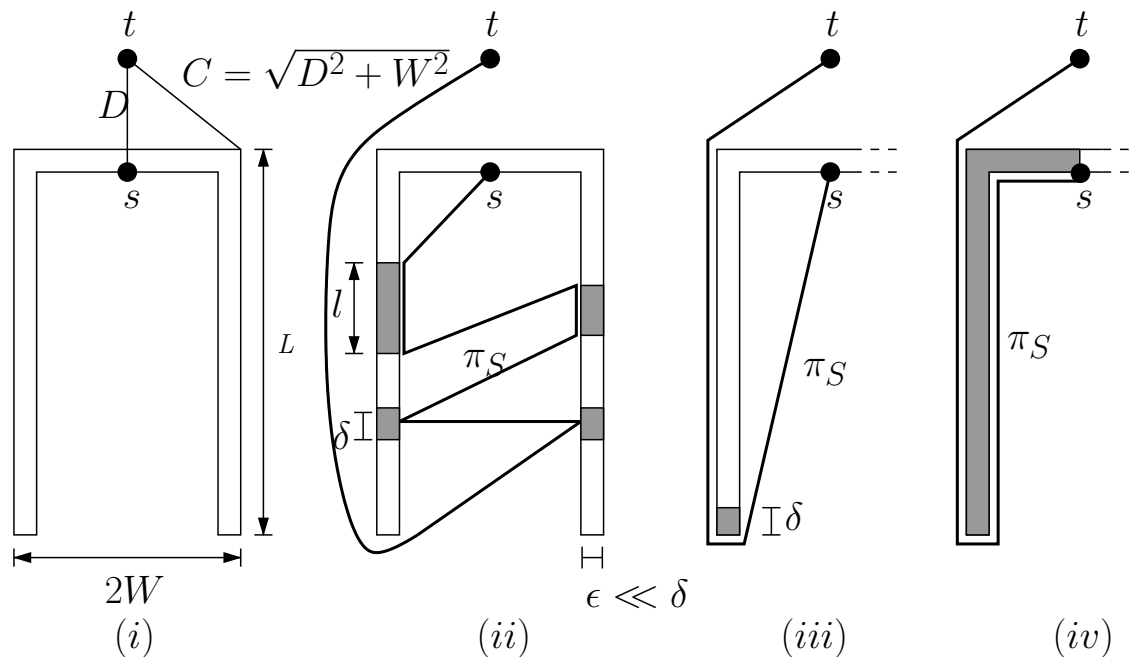
**Theorem** For any strategy  $S$  (due to the action-model), and for any  $K > 0$ , there exist a strategy with arbitrary  $D > 0$ , such that for any  $\delta > 0$ :  $|\Pi_S| \geq K \geq D + \sum \text{UP}_i - \delta$ . ■

Arbitrarily large path!



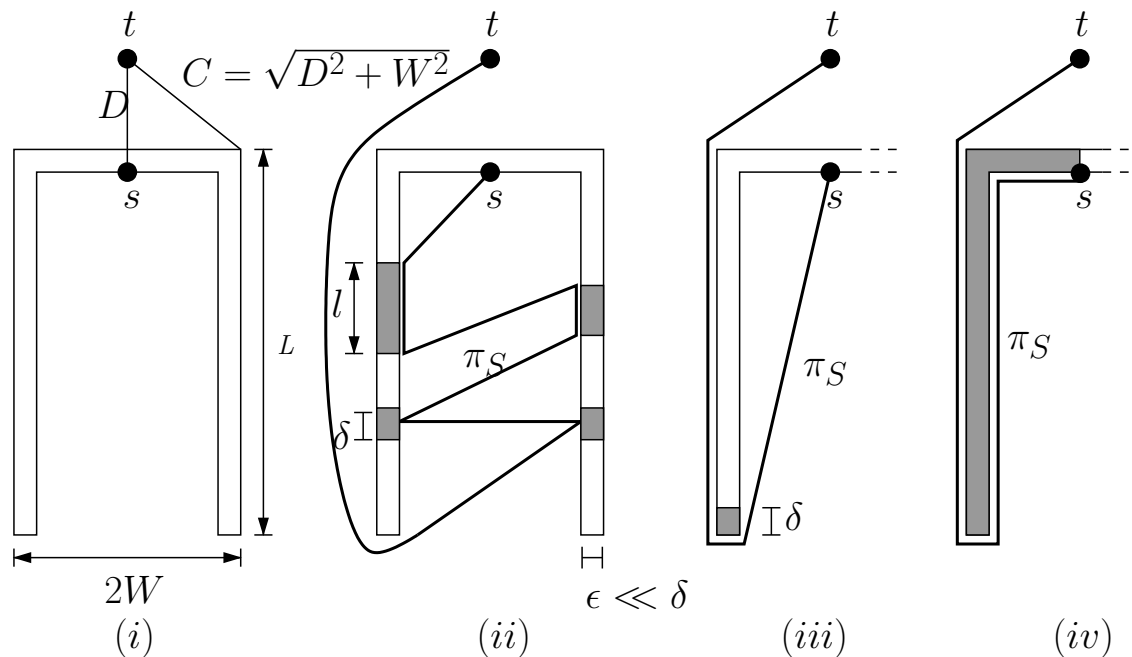
$$|\Pi_S| \geq K \geq D + \sum \text{UP}_i - \delta.$$

- Virtual horse-shoe, Width  $2W$ , Thickness  $\epsilon \ll \delta$ , Length  $L$ , Distance  $D$  ■
- Virtual gets precise: Touch the wall! ■
- For any strategy  $S$  ■



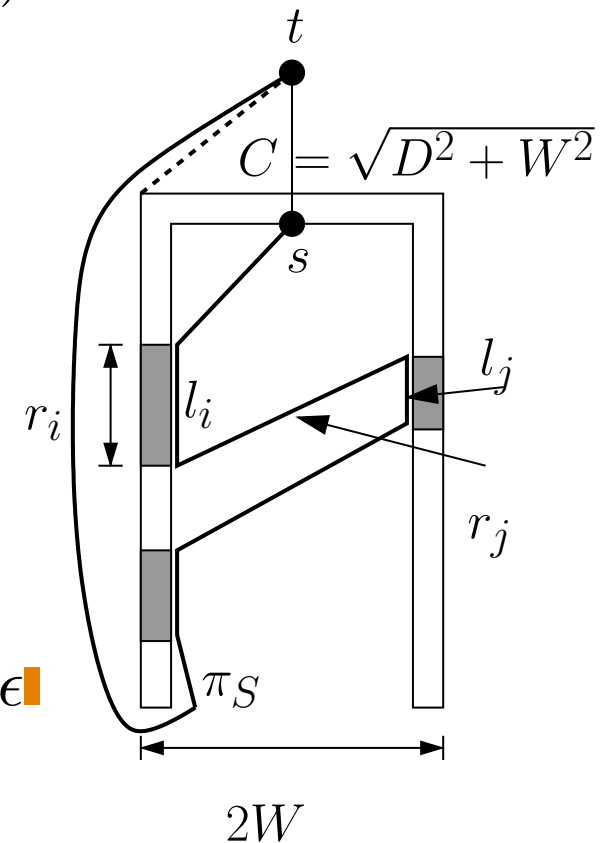
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- Idea:  $D + W - \sqrt{D^2 + W^2} \leq \delta/2$  and
- $L + W - \sqrt{L^2 + W^2} \leq \delta/2$ ,  $L, W$  large enough!
- $|\Pi_S| \geq \sqrt{L^2 + W^2} + L + \sqrt{D^2 + W^2}$   
 $\geq D + W + L + W - \delta = D + 2(L + W) - \delta$  ■



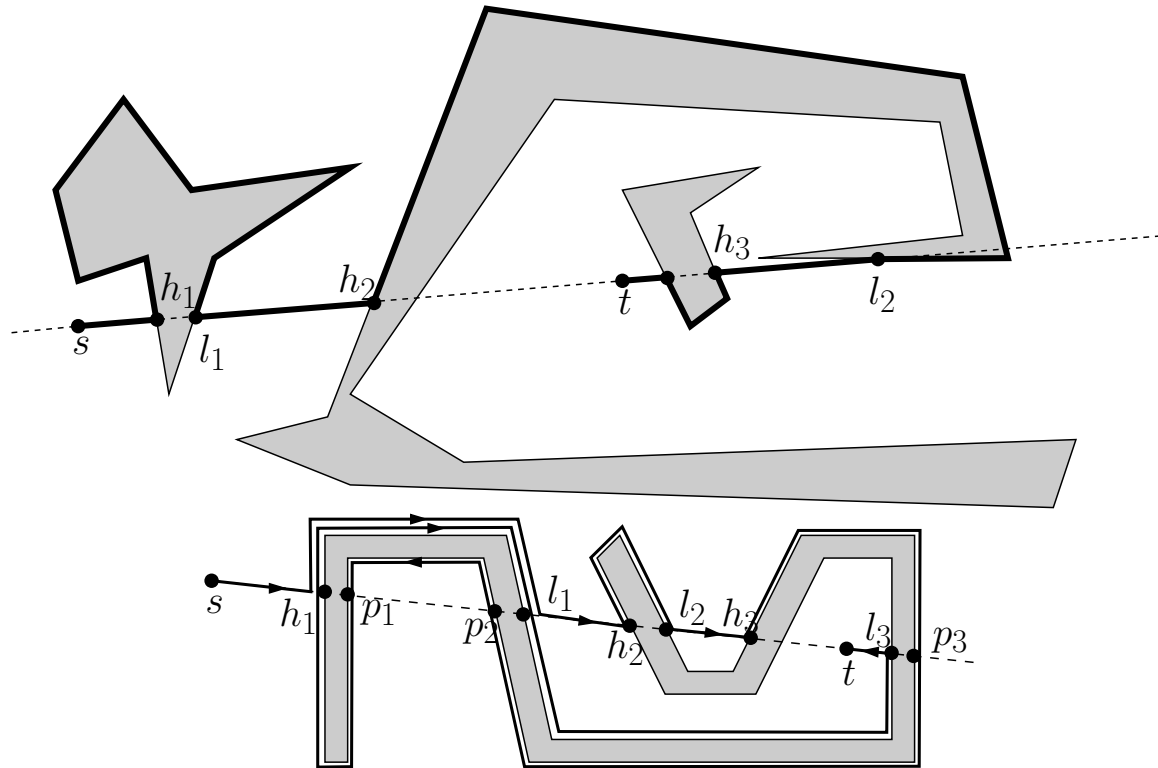
$$|\Pi_S| \geq K \geq D + \sum UP_i - \delta.$$

- Problem: Left and right part! Peri.  $4(L + W)$
- Inside horse-shoe:  $|\Pi_{I_1}| \geq \sum \frac{1}{2}UP_i$   
non-overlapping
- $|\Pi_{I_2}| \geq \sum UP_j$  overlapping,  
 $r_j$  path back
- Outside horse-shoe:  $|\Pi_A| \geq L + C$   
with  $C = \sqrt{D^2 + W^2}$
- $L_{A_1} \geq \sum \frac{1}{2}UP_i$  for non-overlapping
- Altogether:  $|\Pi_S| \geq \sqrt{D^2 + W^2} + \sum UP_i - 2n\epsilon$
- $n \leq \frac{2L}{\delta}$ ,  $\epsilon \leq \delta^2 / (4L)$  gives  $2n\epsilon \leq \delta/2$
- $|\Pi_S| \leq D + W + \sum UP_i - \delta$



# BUG2 strategy

Line  $G$  passing  $st$ , target direction, surround obstacle, shortest curr. distance on  $G$ , move to target



## BUG2 strategy

0.  $l_0 := s, j := 1$

1. From  $l_{j-1}$  move toward target, until

(a) Goal is reached: Stop!

(b) Obstacle is met at  $h_j$ .

2. Surround obstacle cw order, until

(a) Goal is reached: Stop!

(b) Line  $G$  passing  $st$  is visited at  $q$ ,  $|qt| < |h_jt|$  and  $\overline{qt}$  locally free for a move

$l_j := q, j := j + 1$  and GOTO 1.

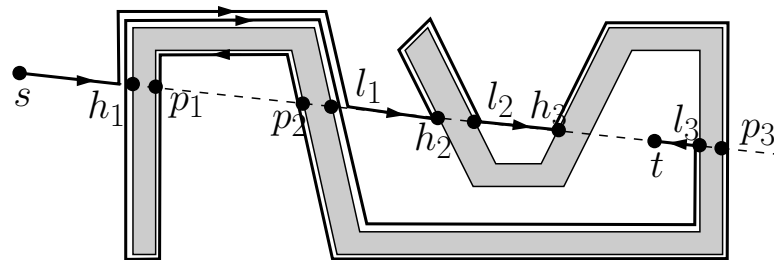
(c)  $h_j$  is reached again, no point  $q$  of case b) was found.  
Reaching the goal is impossible.



# BUG2 strategy: Analysis

- Structural properties ■
- Correctness and performance ■
- **Lemma** Bug2 visits finitely many obstacles ■

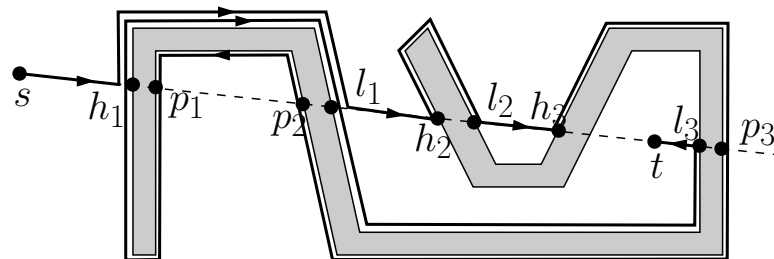
Proof, by precondition for the scene! ■



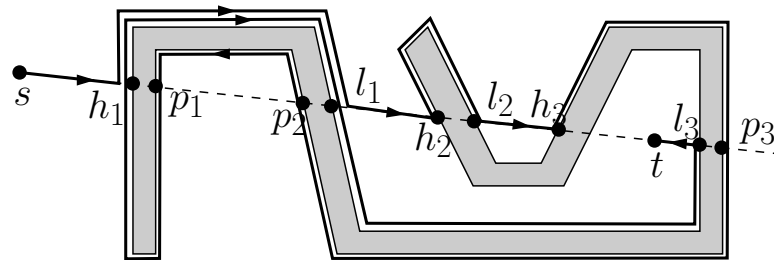
# BUG2 strategy: Property

**Lemma** Let  $n_i$  denote the number of intersections between  $G$  (line passing  $st$ ) and the obstacle  $P_i$ . Any boundary point of  $P_i$  is visited at most  $\frac{n_i}{2}$  time.■

- Bug2 defines pairs  $(h_j, l_j)$  of hit- and leave points■
- Jumping cond.:  $|h_j t| > |l_j t| > |h_{j+1} t|$ .■
- Any intersection with  $P_i$  is only once a leave or a hit point■
- Meet current hit point  $\Rightarrow$  Stop■



# Bug2 visits boundary points $\max \frac{n_i}{2}$ times

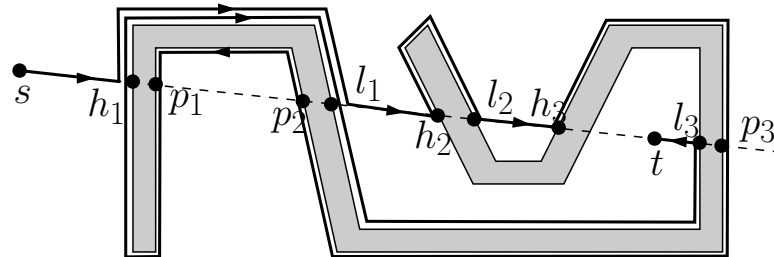


- Pairs  $(h_j, l_j)$  of hit-leave points
- $\frac{n_i}{2}$  pairs  $(h_j, l_j)$
- Only then a surrounding is started
- Point on the boundary only  $\frac{n_i}{2}$  times

# BUG2 strategy: Correctness

**Corollary** Bug2 visits the goal, if this is possible. ■

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- Finitely many visits, finitely many surroundings! ■
- Either goal is found or current hit point is visited again ■
- Current hit point  $\Rightarrow$  no free path from a better point on the boundary. Goal is enclosed! ■

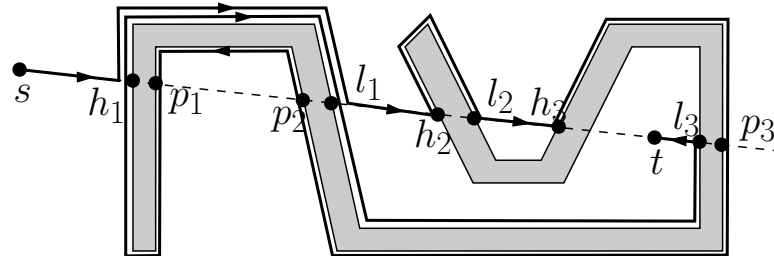


# BUG2 strategy: Performance

**Theorem** Let  $\Pi_{\text{Bug2}}$  denote the path from  $s$  to  $t$  designed by BUG2.

■ We have  $|\Pi_{\text{Bug2}}| \leq D + \sum_i \frac{n_i \text{UP}_i}{2}$ . ■ Proof: ■

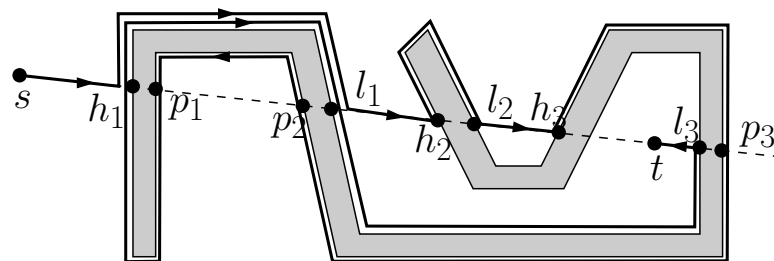
- Subdivision: Surroundings, Free path ■
- $\sum_i \frac{n_i \text{UP}_i}{2}$  follows from the **Lemma** ■
- Length  $D'$  between obstacles ■



# BUG2 strategy: Performance

- Length  $D'$  between obstacles
- Analogously **BUG1 Theorem**  $D' \leq D$
- Altogether:

$$|\Pi_{\text{Bug2}}| \leq D + \sum_i \frac{n_i \text{UP}_i}{2}.$$

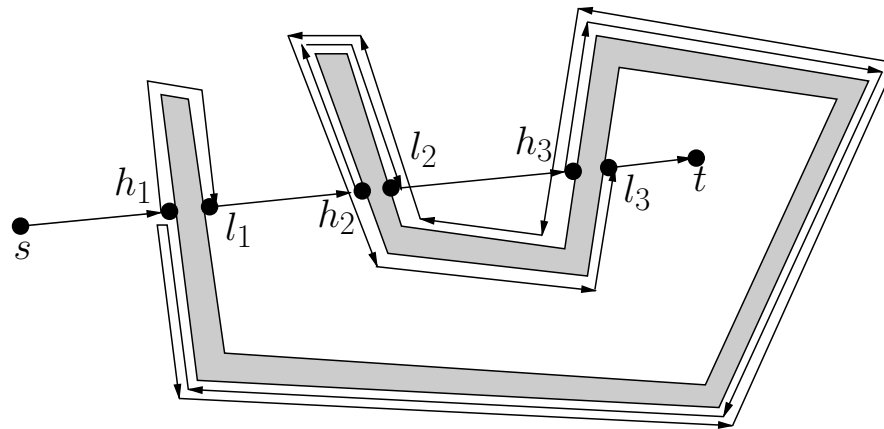


# Compare BUG2 and BUG1

- BUG2 not always better, sometimes worse (Exercise) ■
- Convex polygons: Optimal ■
- Many further variants! ■
- Visibility/Local improvements! ■

# Change I

- Bug1 fully surrounds ■
- Bug2 avoids, but visits many times ■
- Change make use of old Leave/Hit Points, **One** order change! ■





# Pseudocode: Change I

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- (c) A hit- or leave point  $h_j$  or  $\ell_j$  with  $j < i$  is met. Move back to  $h_i$ , use ccw order until (a), (b) oder (d) happens.
- (d)  $h_j$  is reached again, no point  $q$  of case b) was found.  
Reaching the goal is impossible.