

Time Parameterized Queries in Spatio Temporal Databases

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 - E.g., Which are my nearest gas stations now?

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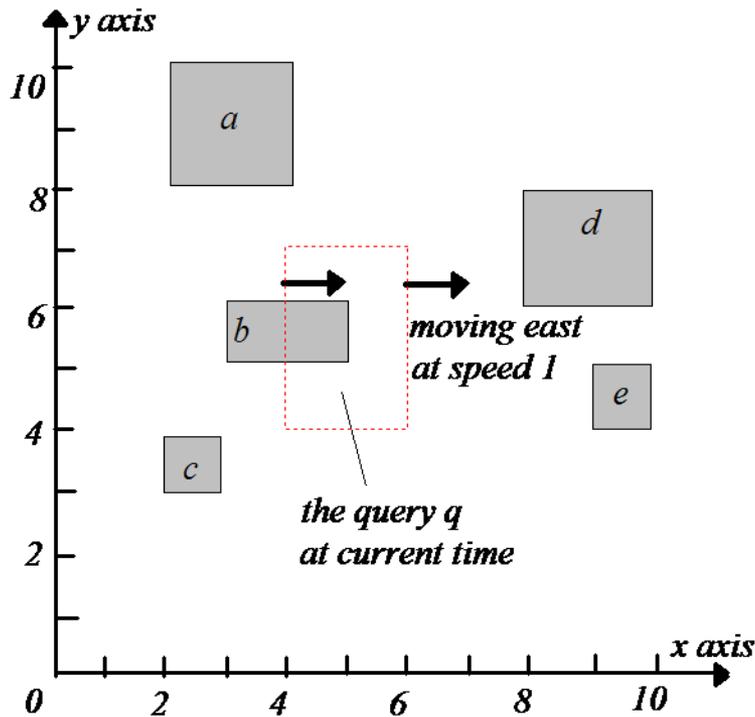
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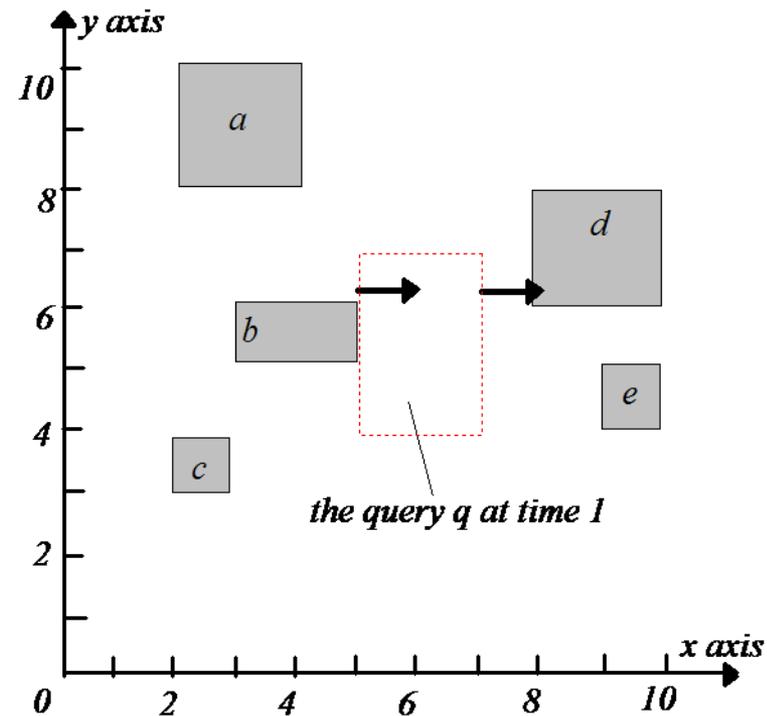
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- Result={b}



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At time 1, *b* would be the nearest neighbor. After that time, the results expire, and *d* would be the new nearest neighbor.



Time Parameterized Queries

- Instead of Updates:
 - Here the objects dynamic behavior does not necessarily require updates but can be stored as a function of time using appropriate indexes.
- All TP queries could be reduced to:
 - Some form of NN search
- Could be applied in
 - Moving object
 - Moving query
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Related Work

- Time Parameterized R-tree (TPR tree)
 - TPR-tree is an extension of an R-tree that can answer prediction queries on dynamic objects.
- Branch and Bound (BaB) Algorithm
 - Using R-tree for NN queries
 - Bound: Min-dist, minmax-dist
 - Different searching manner:
 - Depth first (DF) traversing
 - Best first (BF) traversing

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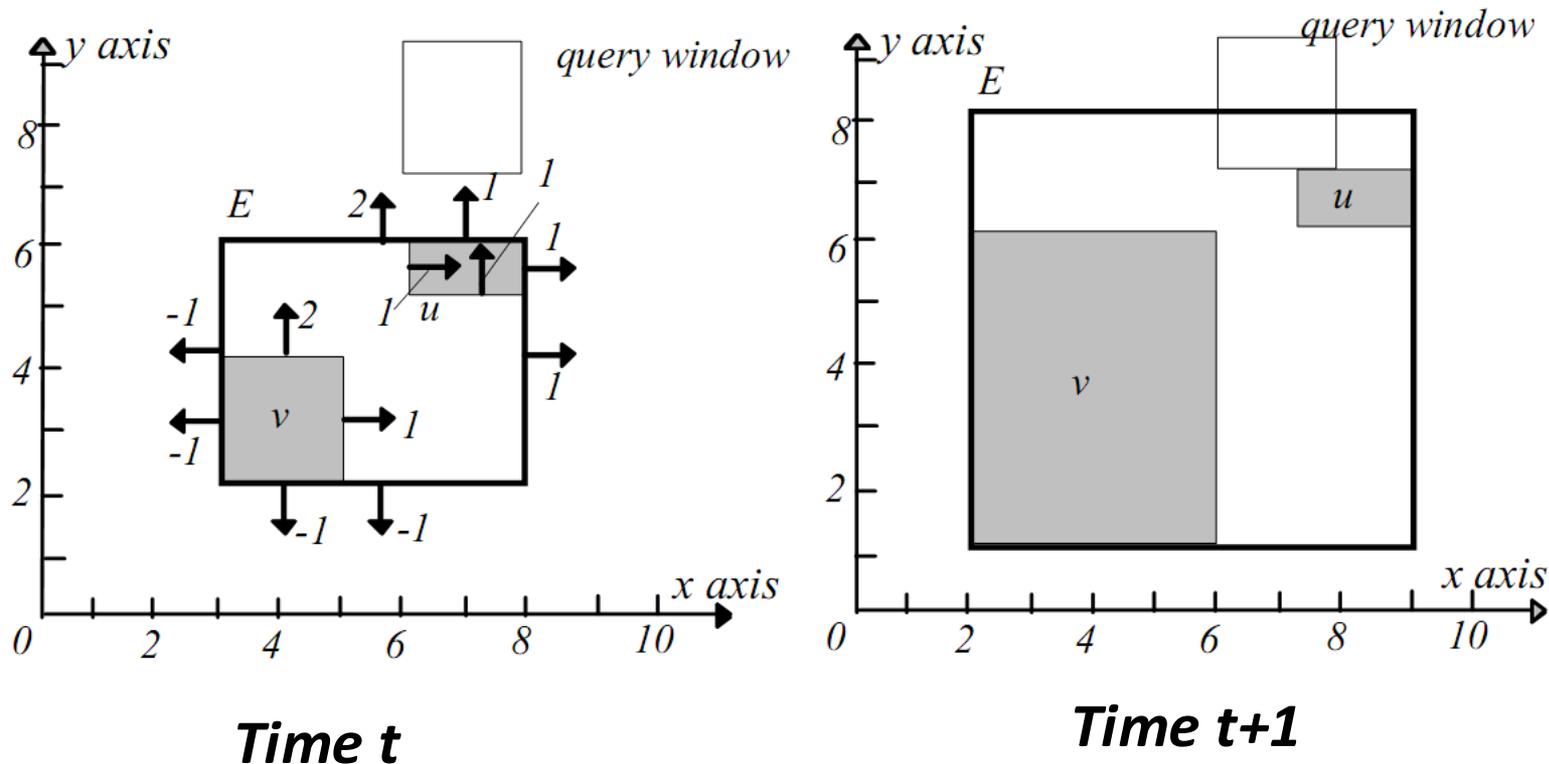
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- Different edge velocities will cause the object to grow or shrink with time.





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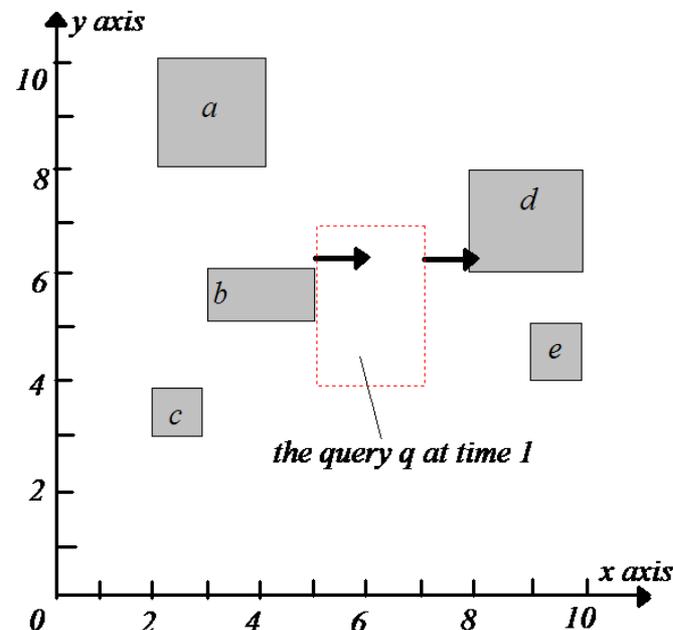
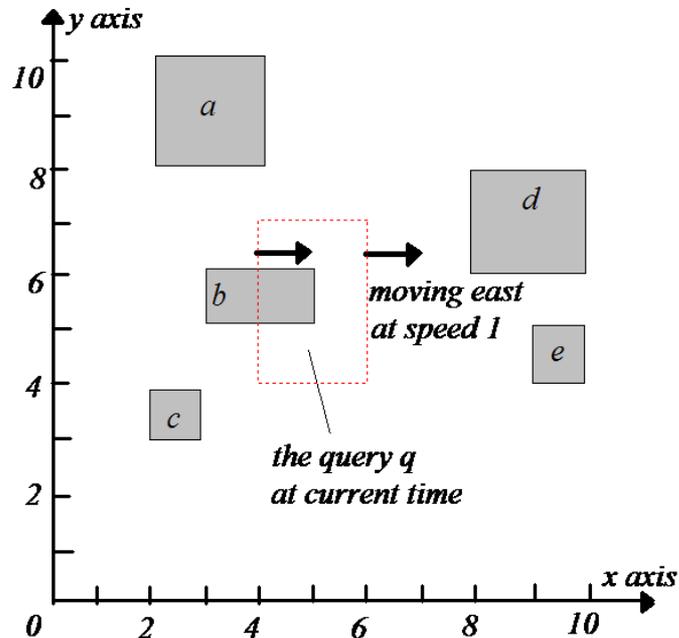


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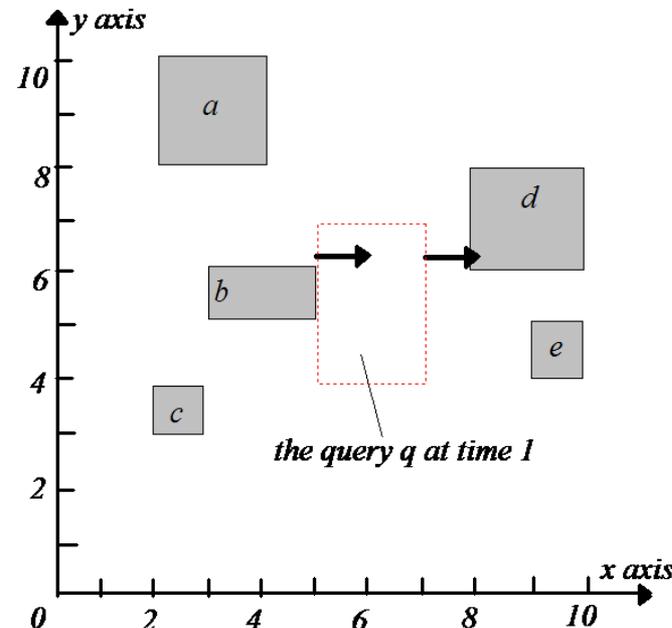
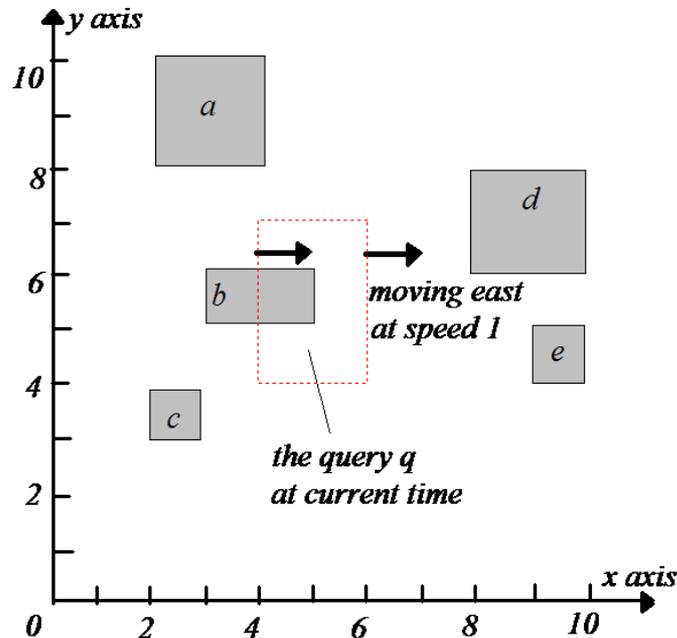
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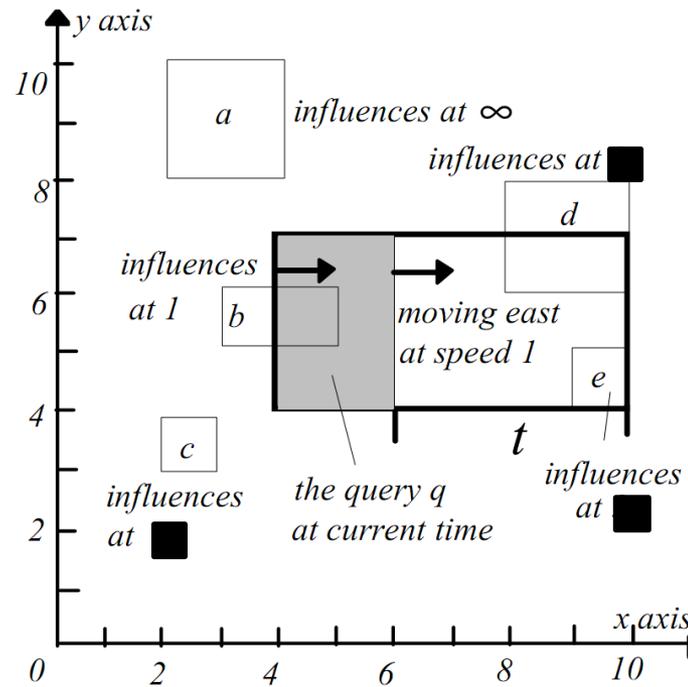


Result: $\langle \{b\}, 1, \{b\} \rangle$

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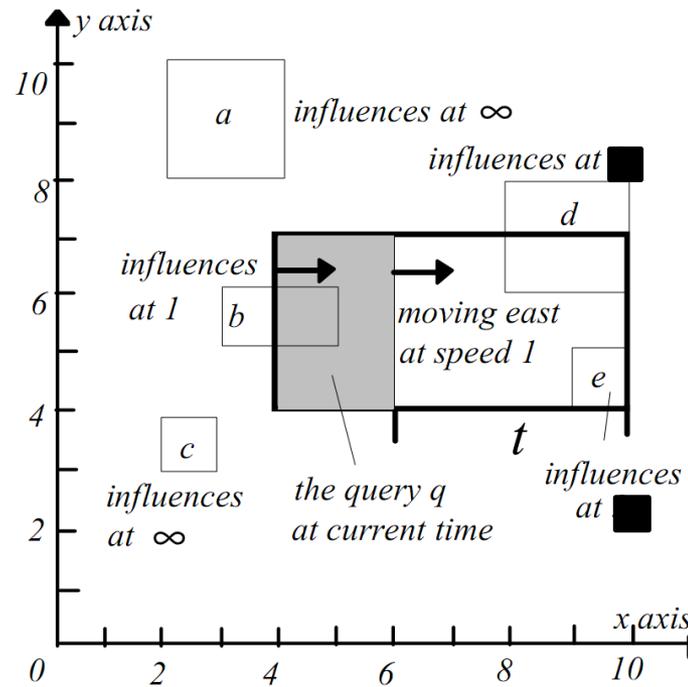
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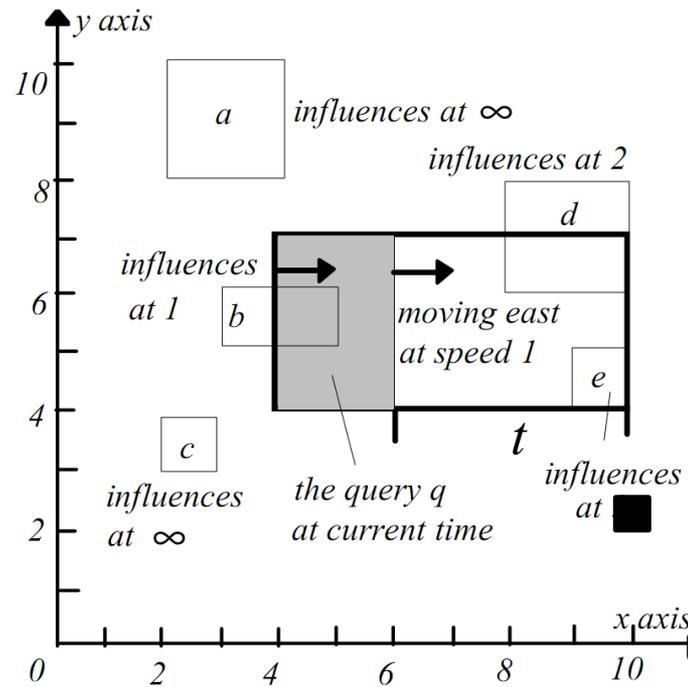
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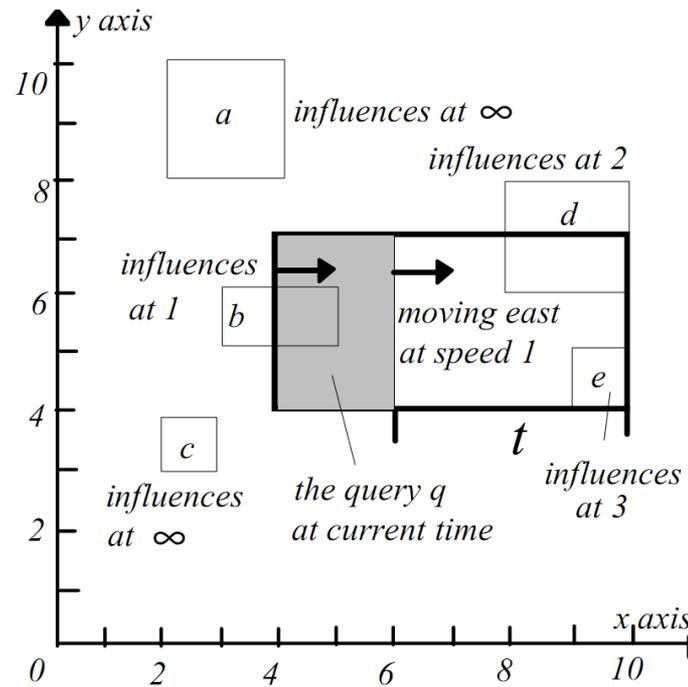
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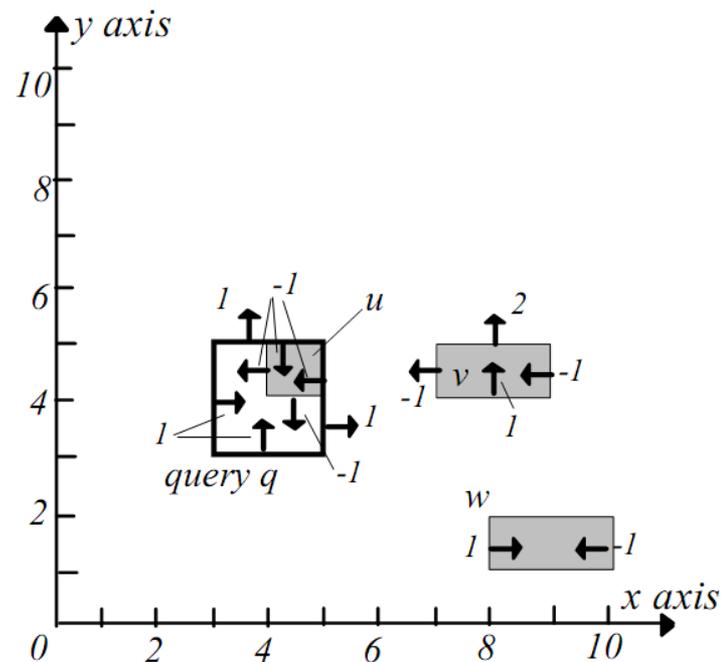
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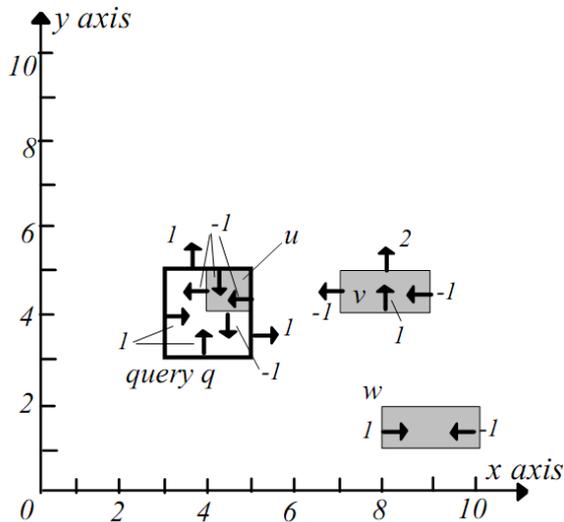
- To find the *influence time* $T_{INF}(o,q)$ of an object o , with the query window q , we need the *intersection period* $[T_s, T_e)$ during which o will intersect q .

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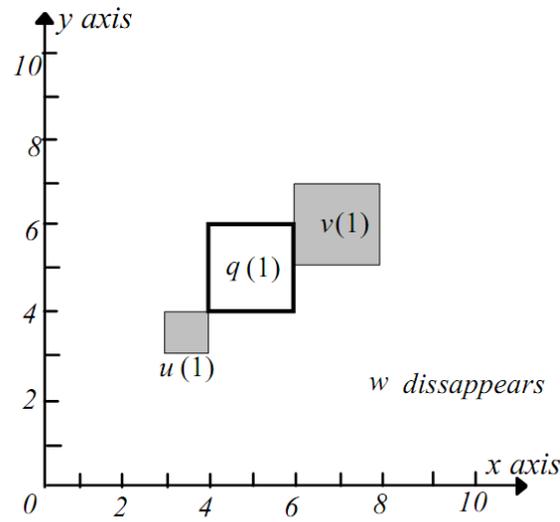


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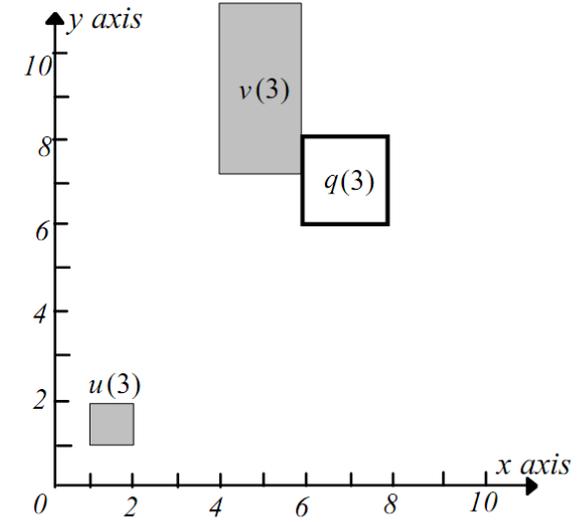
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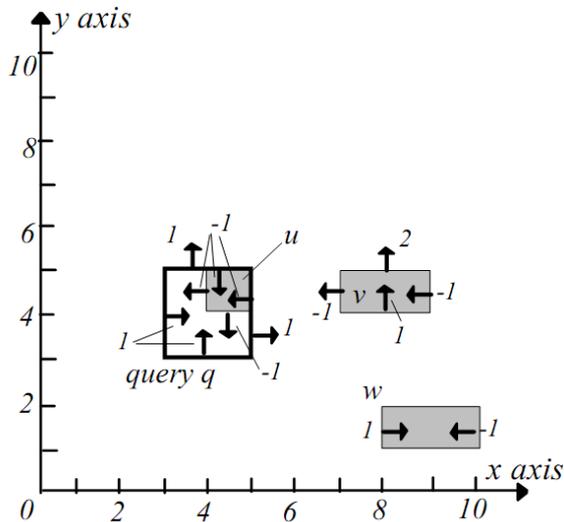
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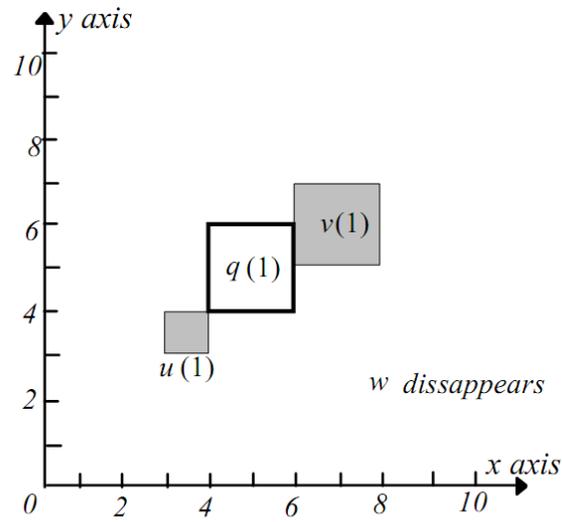
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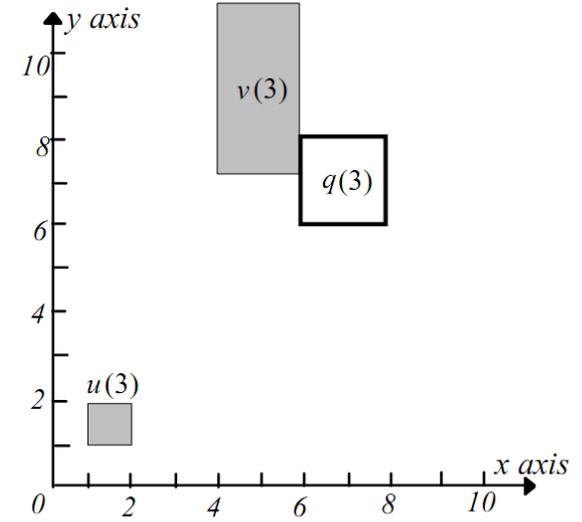
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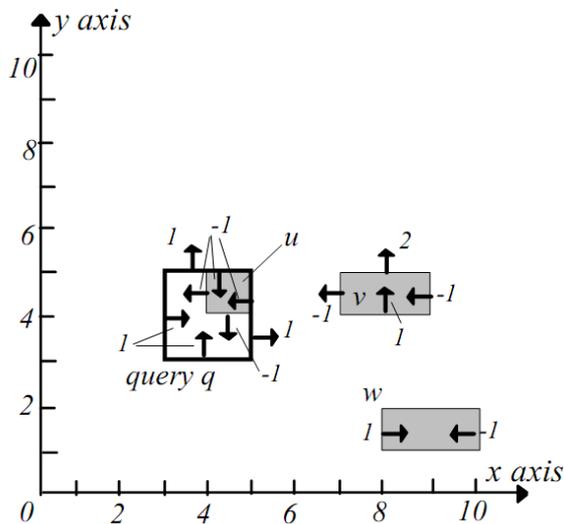
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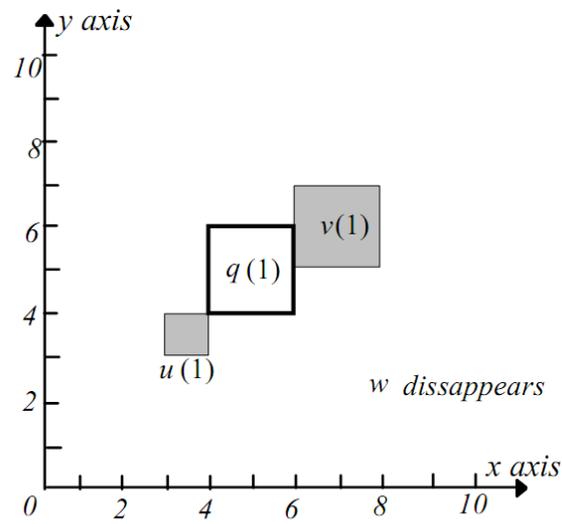
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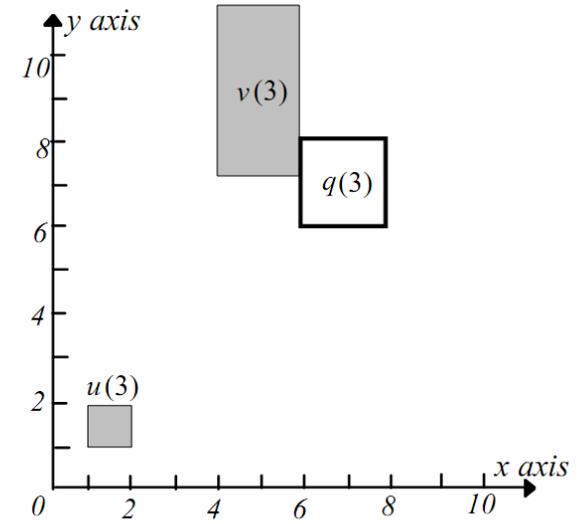
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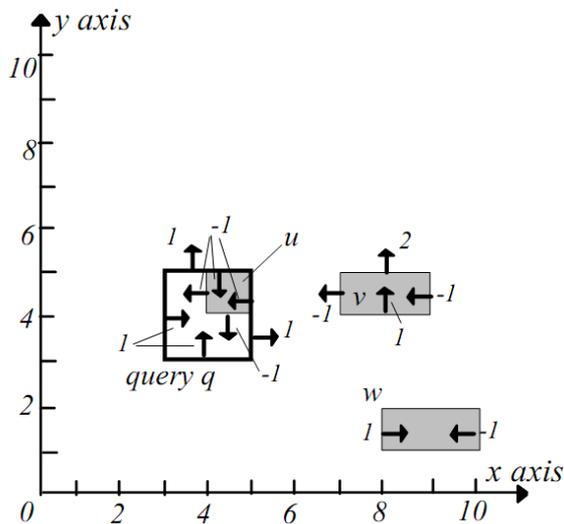
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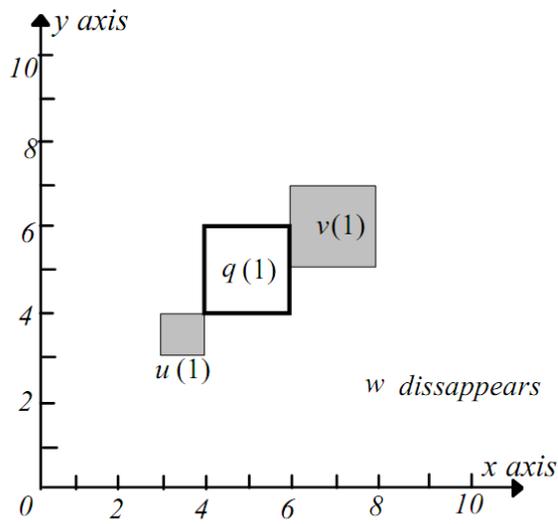
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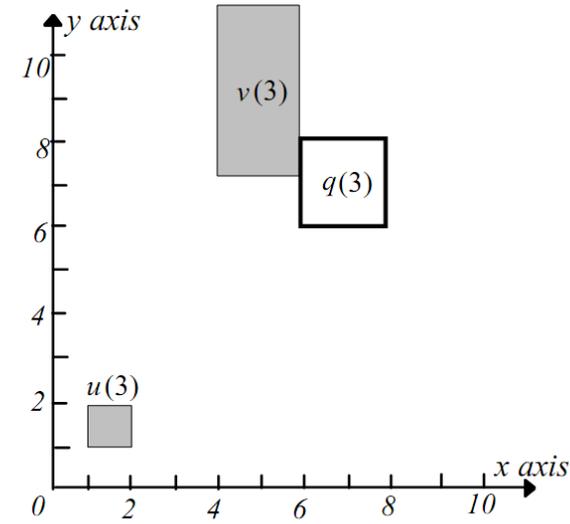
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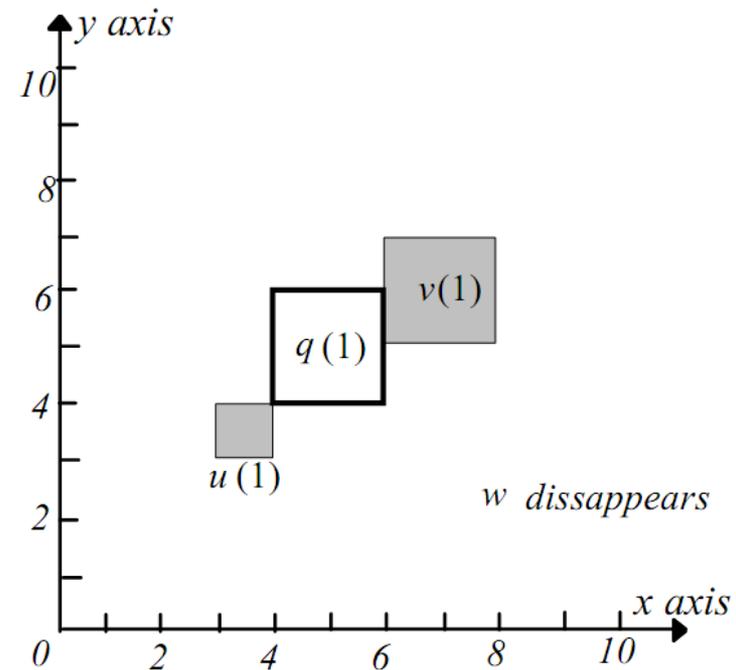
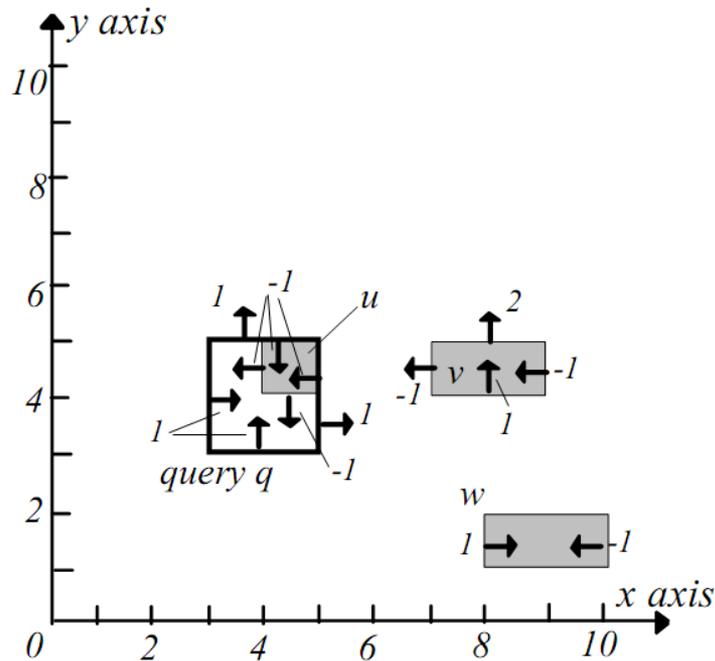
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Example: Disappearance Time ($o.T_{iDSP}$) of w

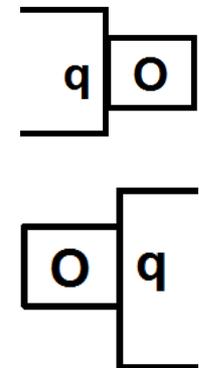


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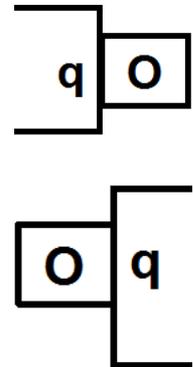


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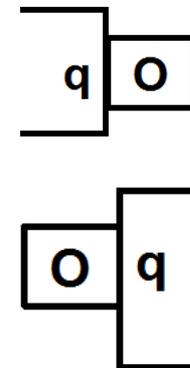


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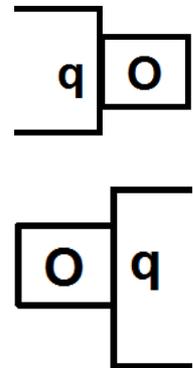


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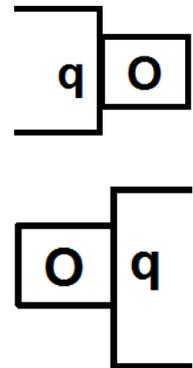


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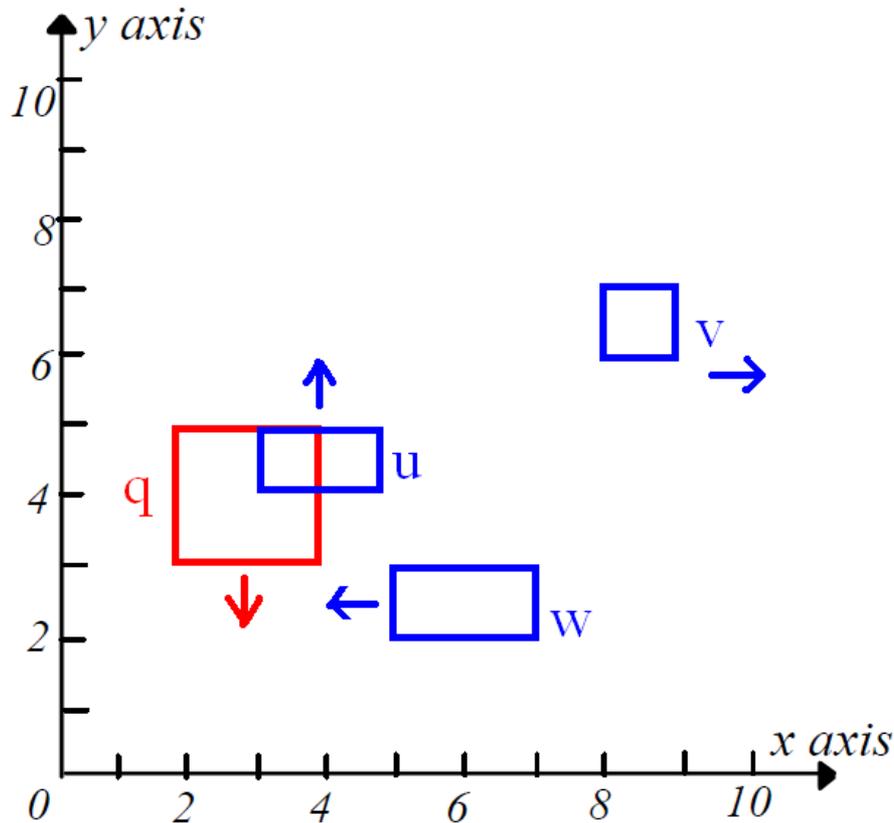


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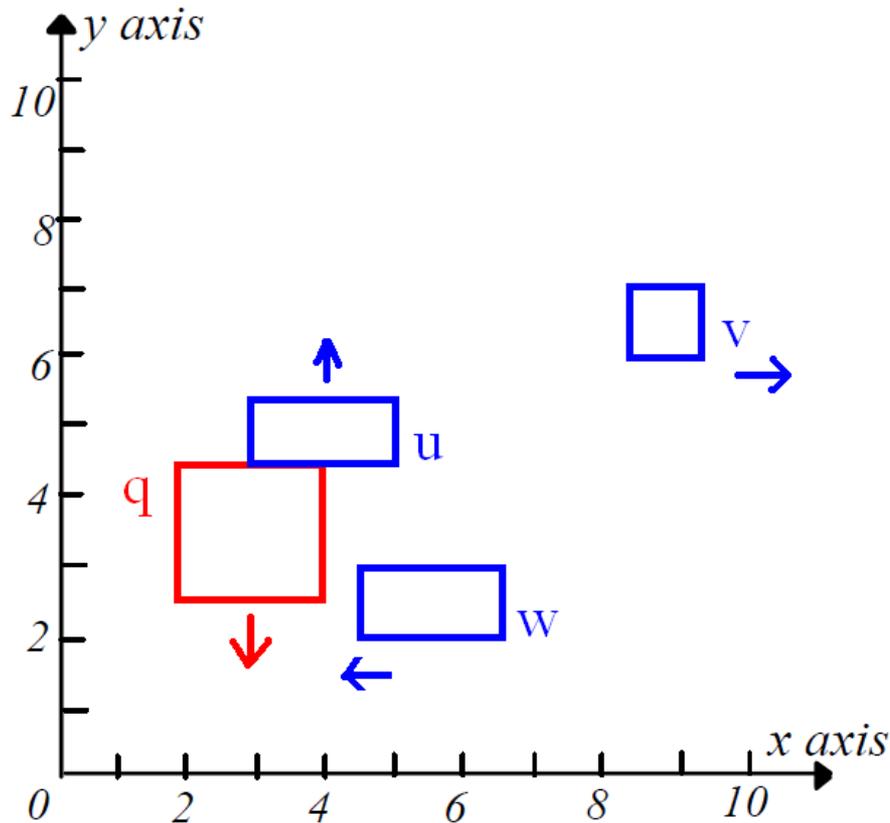
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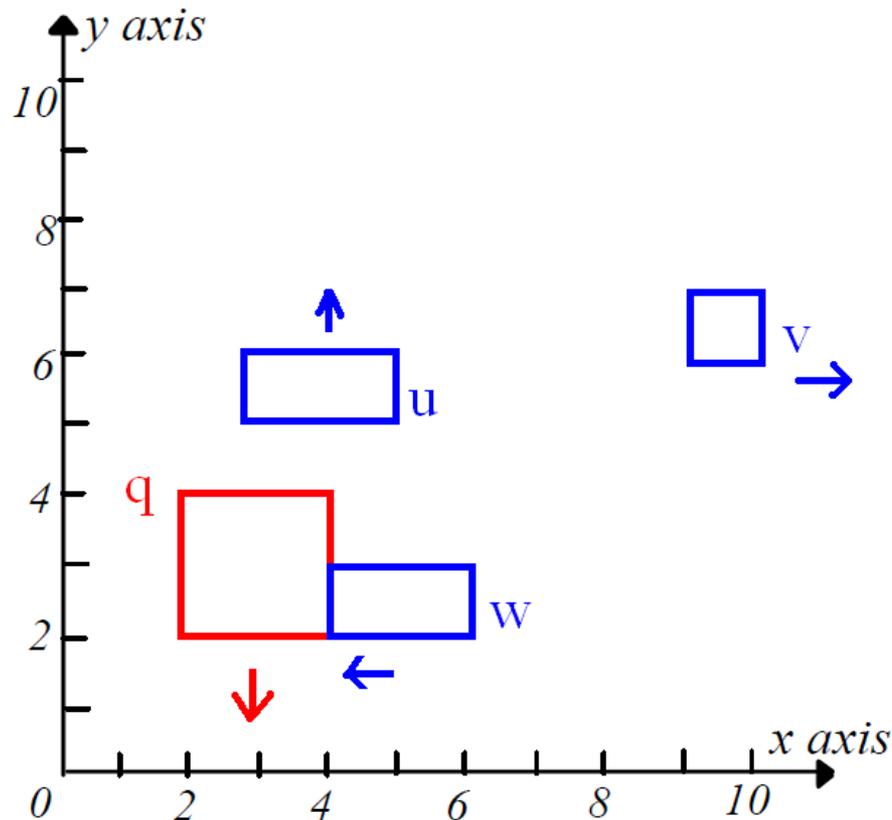
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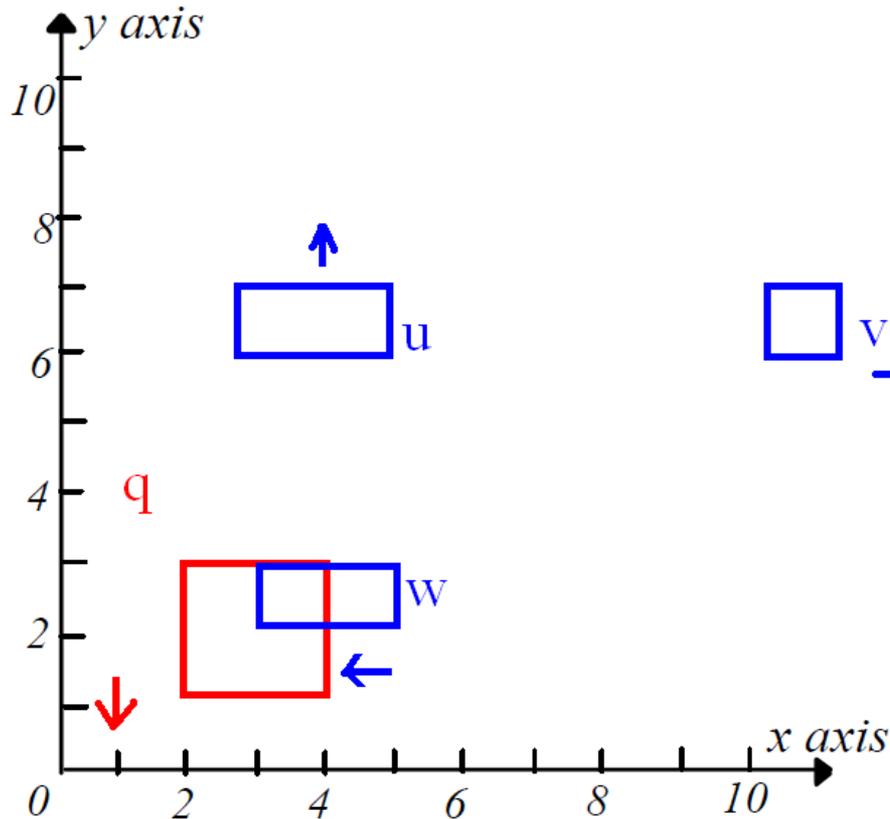
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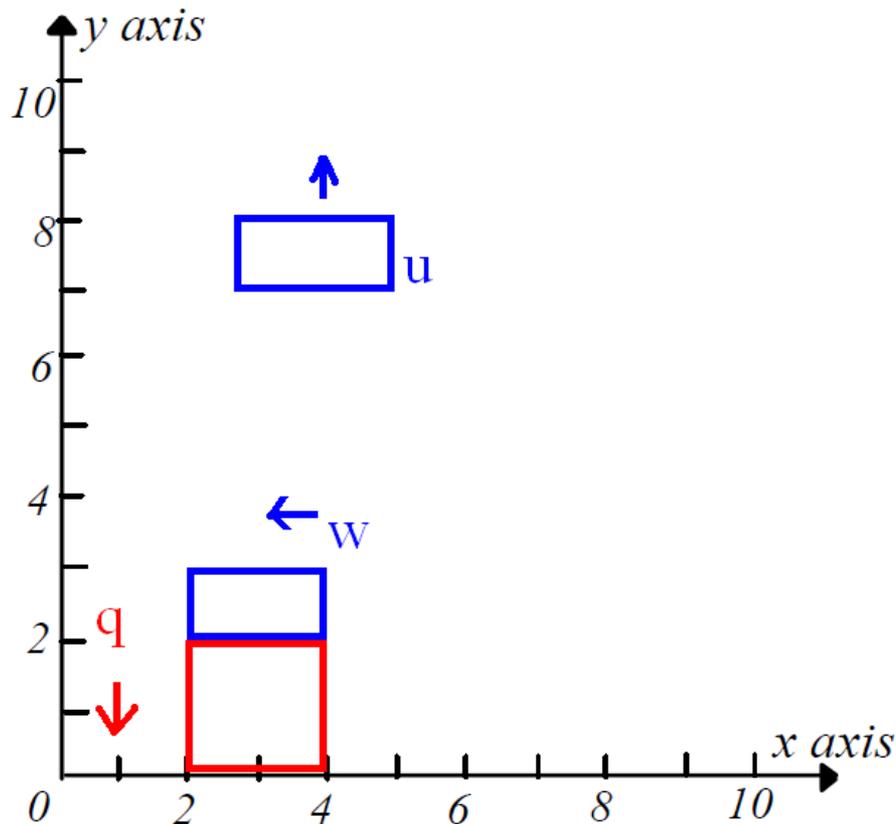
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$t = 2$

Example:

- Assuming their velocity is 1.



Intersect time:

$u: [0,0.5)$

$v: [inf, inf)$

$w: [1,3)$

Query Result for time
 $[0,3)$?

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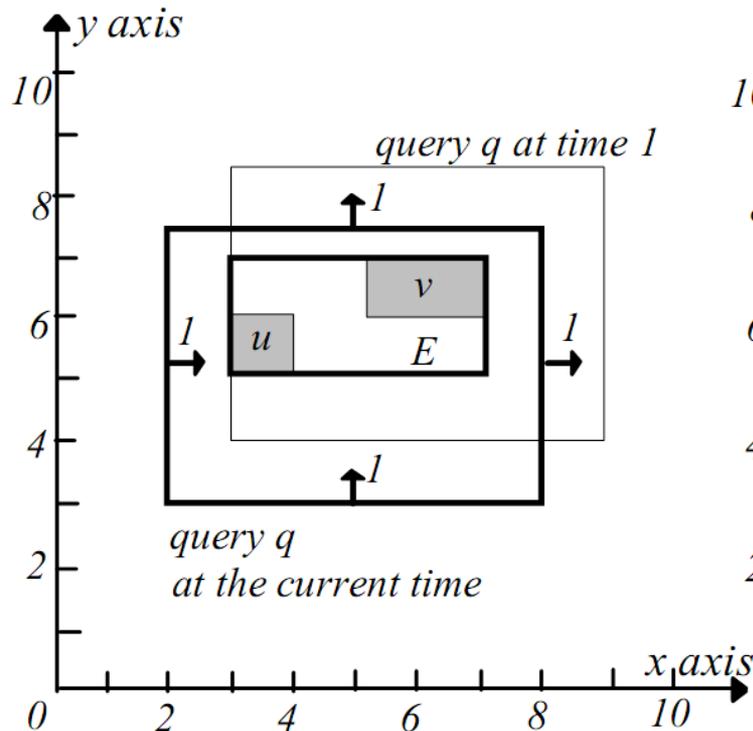
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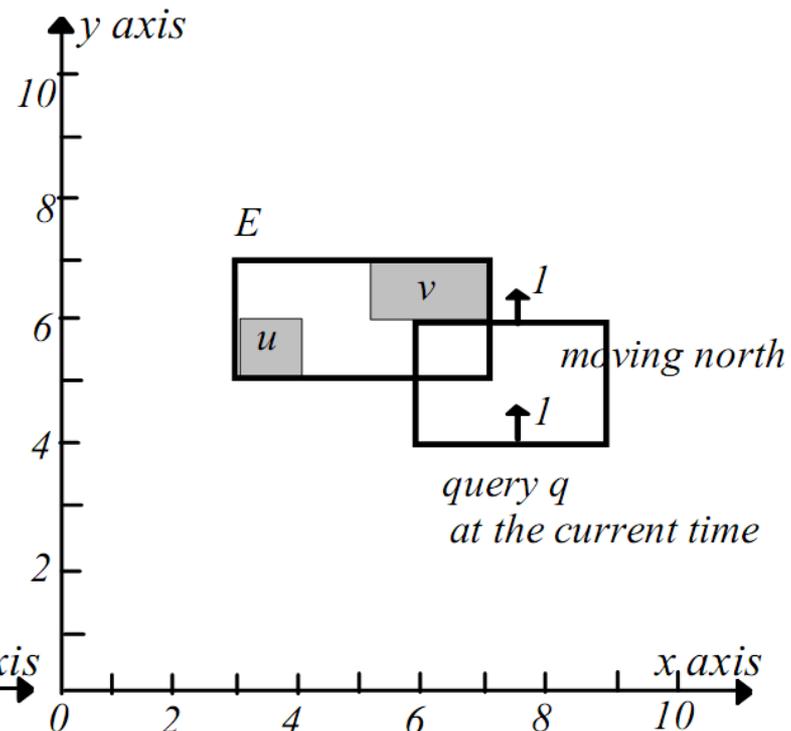
- Influence time of the intermediate Entry E corresponds to the minimum possible influence time of any object in the subtree of E
- If E does not intersect with q , then $T_{INF}(E,q)$ is the time E starts intersecting with q – because this is also the earliest time when any of the objects inside E can intersect (influence) q

TP window query -- Intermediate Node

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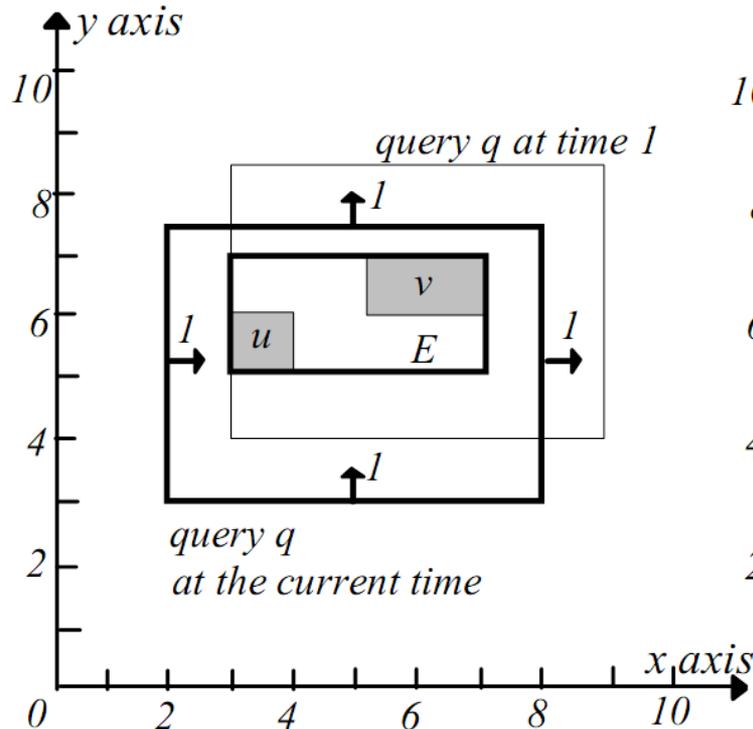
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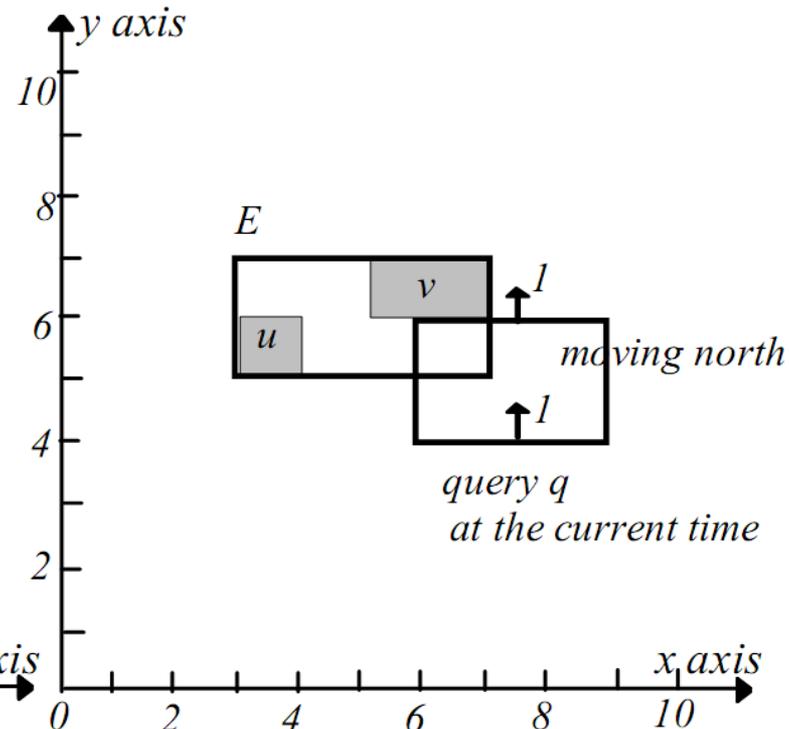
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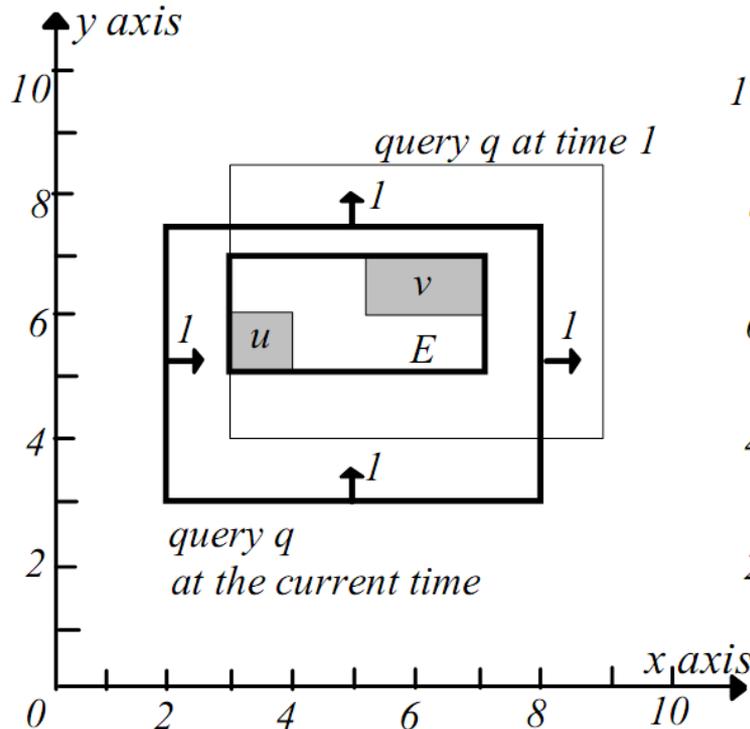


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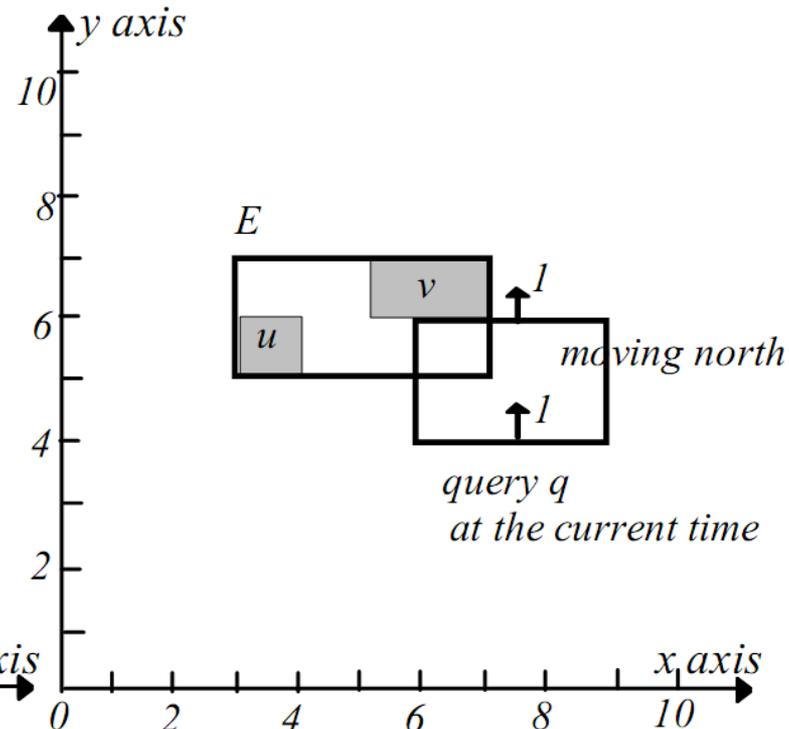
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$T_{INF}(E,q) = 0$, because some object inside E (e.g., v) may influence the result as soon as the query move

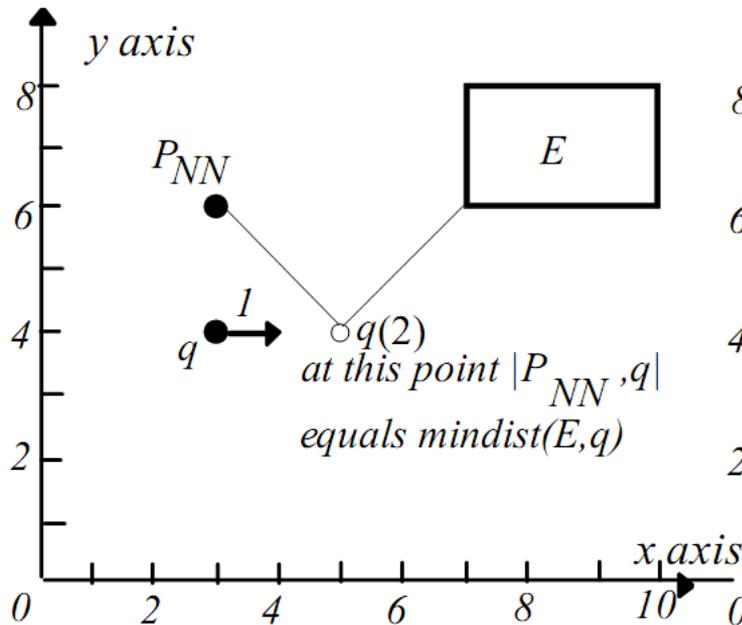


TP NN query

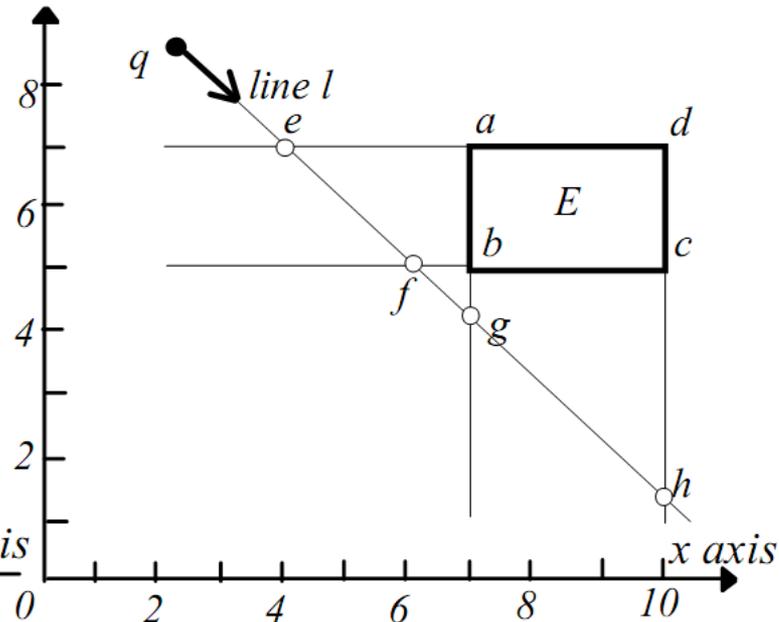
- Start with single NN
 - Influence time is no longer intersection period.
 - Instead, it is the time the object becomes the NN result.
- T_{INF} is the minimum t that satisfies:
 - $\text{Dist}(o(t), q(t)) < \text{Dist}(P_{NN}(t), q(t))$
 - P_{NN} is the current NN of q .

TP NN query

- Influence time of the Intermediate Entry E
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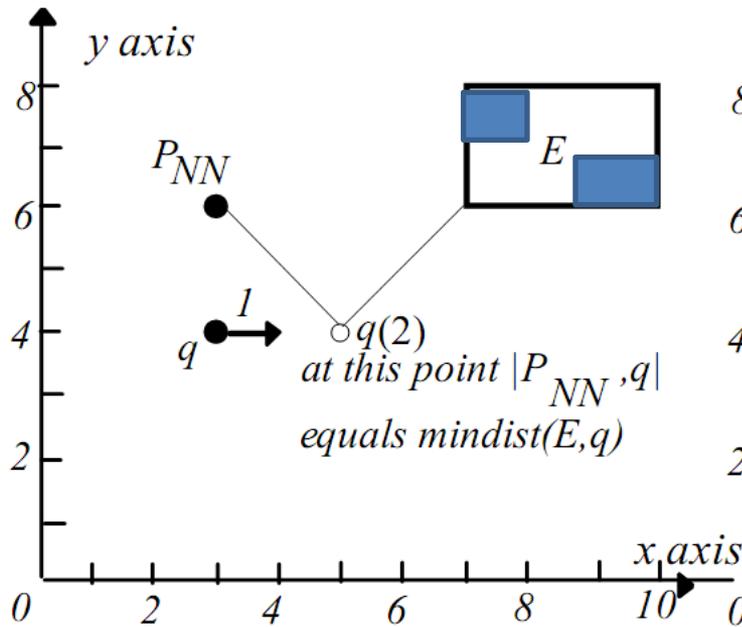
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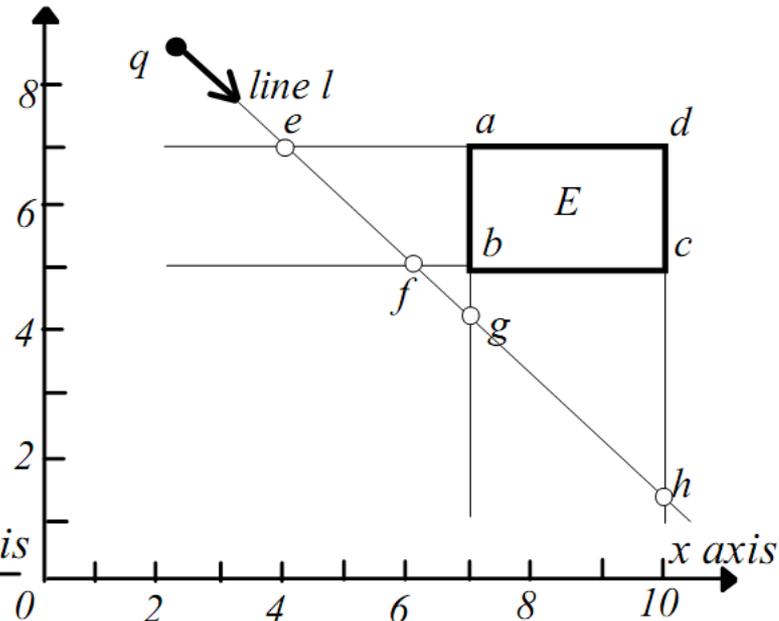
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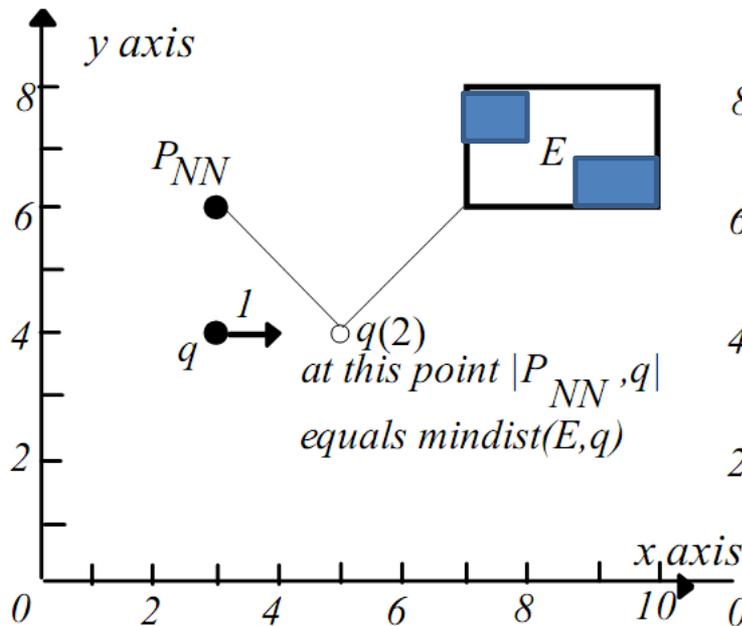
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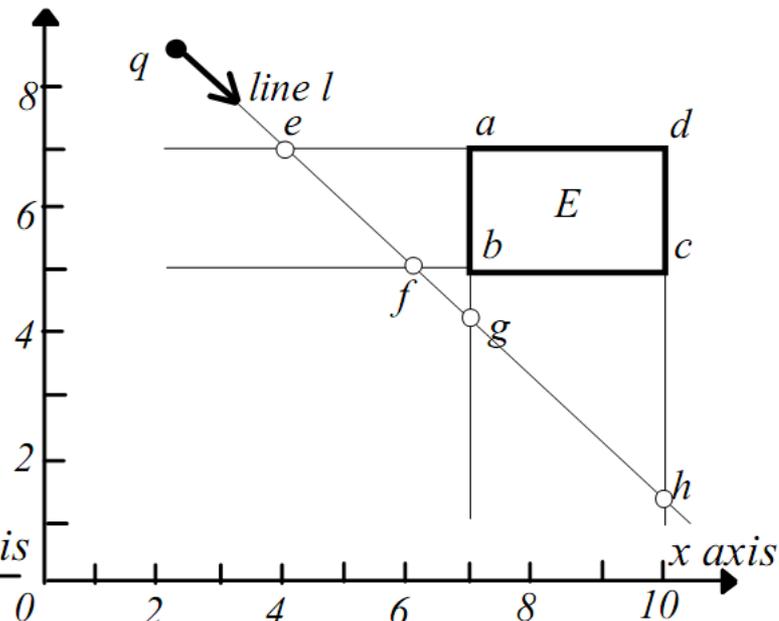
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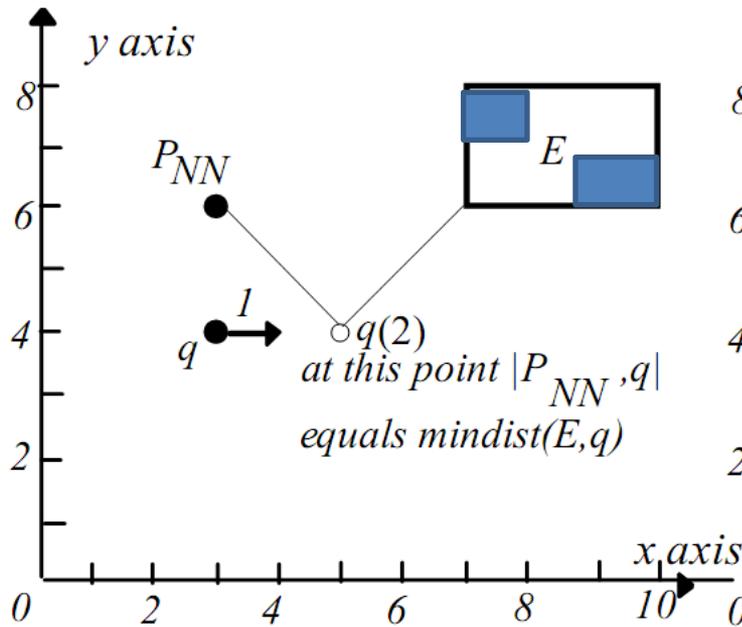


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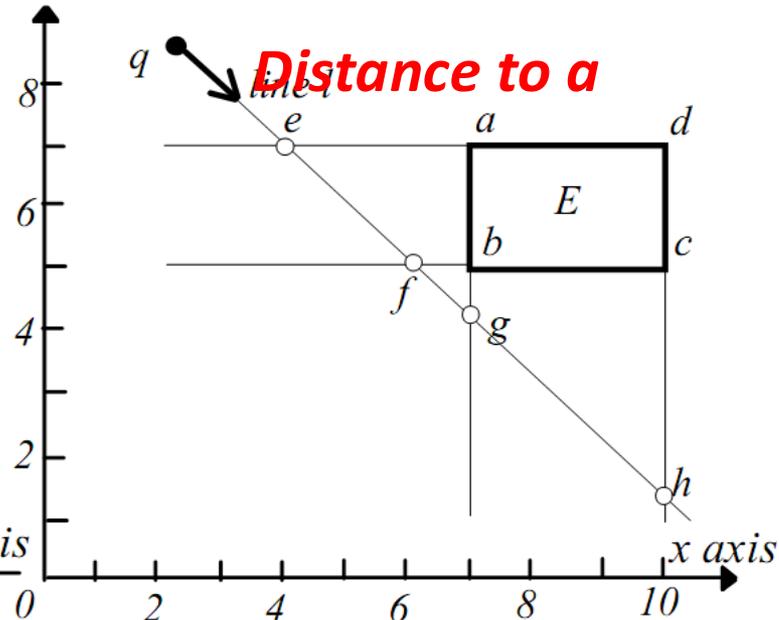
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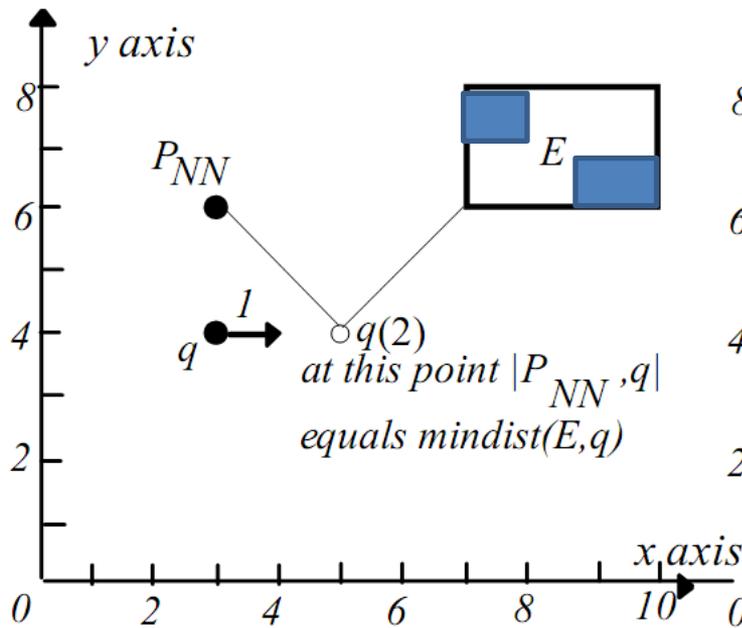


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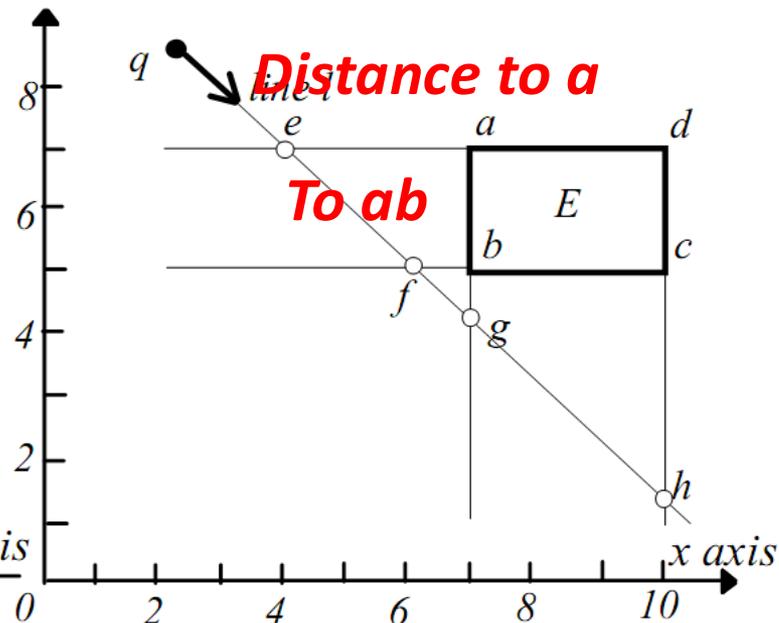
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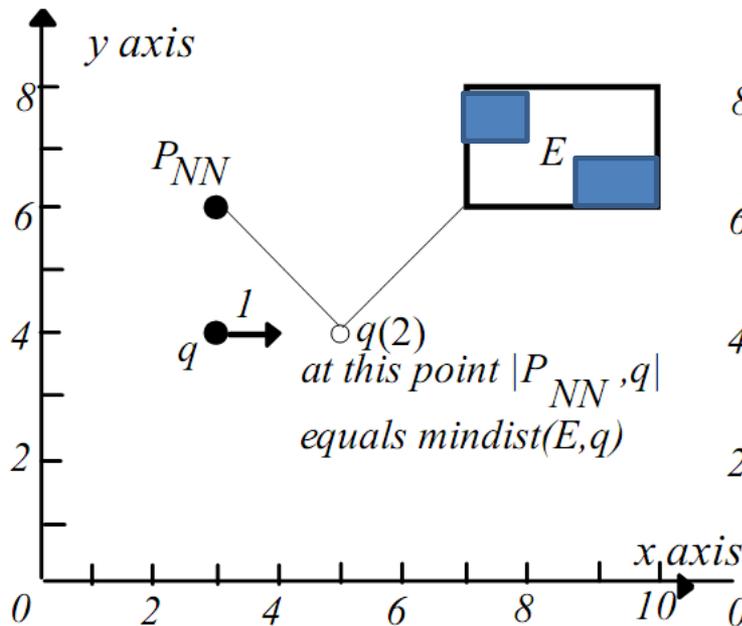


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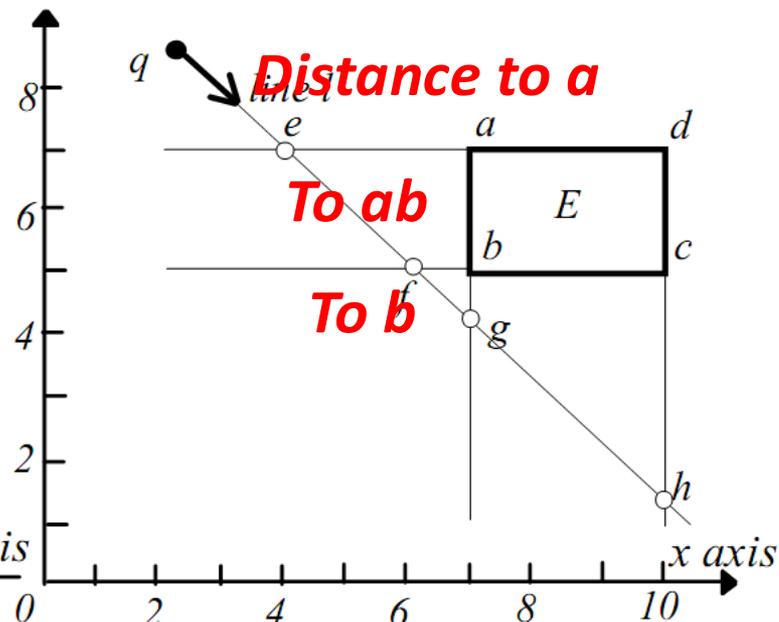
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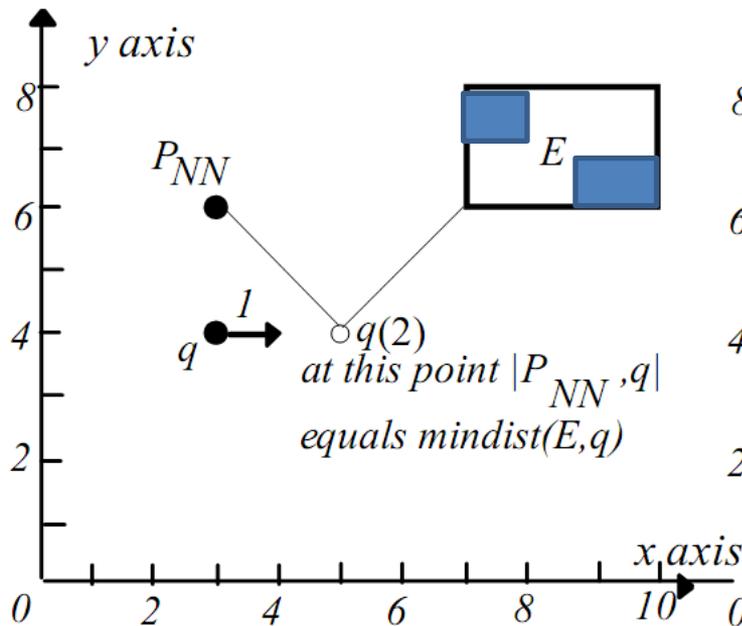


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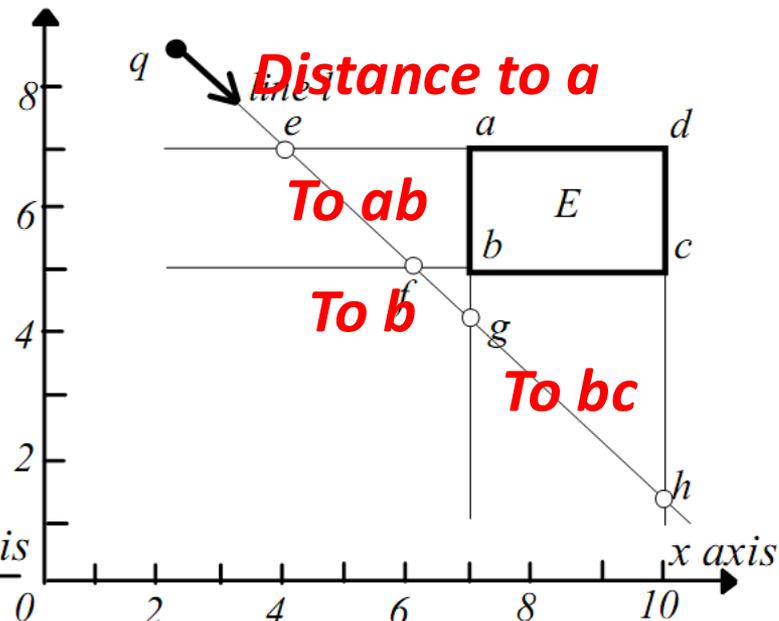
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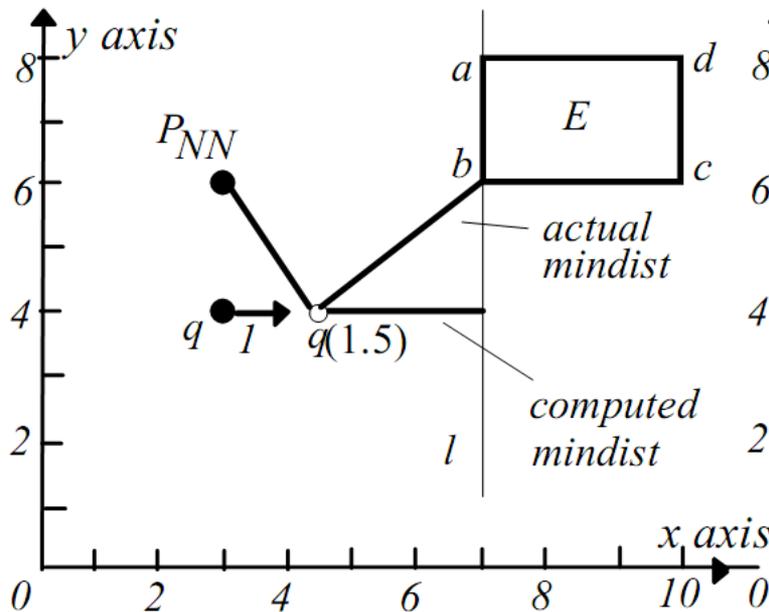


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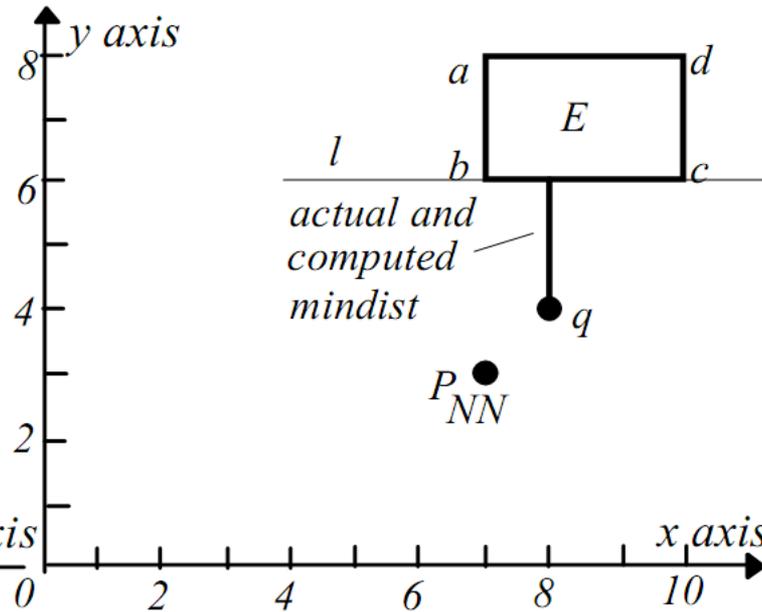
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TP NN query

- Simpler Calculation (underestimates *mindist* (to ensure the correctness of BaB algorithms).



If mindist to a point, then distance to farther edge (ab) containing the point



If mindist to an edge, then mindist at current time

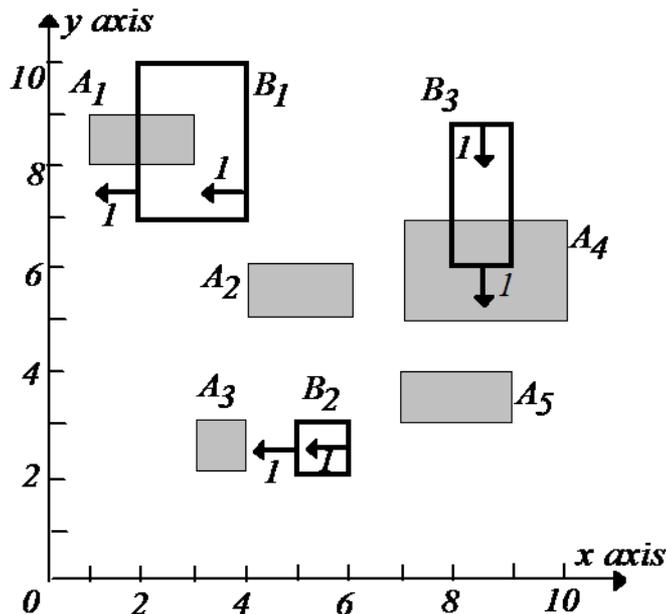


TP join query

- A Join query returns all pairs of objects from two datasets that satisfy some spatial condition. (e.g., Intersection)
- A join result can change in the future when,
 - A pair of objects in the current result ceases to satisfy the join condition
 - New objects start satisfying the join condition
- TP join can be regarded as a closest pair query by treating $T_{INF}(o1,o2)$, instead of $T_{INF}(q,o)$

TP join query

- Influence time of object pairs



	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
B_1	3	∞	∞	∞	∞
B_2	∞	∞	1	∞	∞
B_3	∞	∞	∞	4	2

- The expiry time is the minimum influence time (i.e., $T_{INF}(A_3, B_2) = 1$).



Conclusion

- Introduction of the novel concept of time-parameterized queries.
- Techniques for transforming the most common spatial queries to their TP counterparts.
- Development of efficient processing methods.

- Drawbacks?

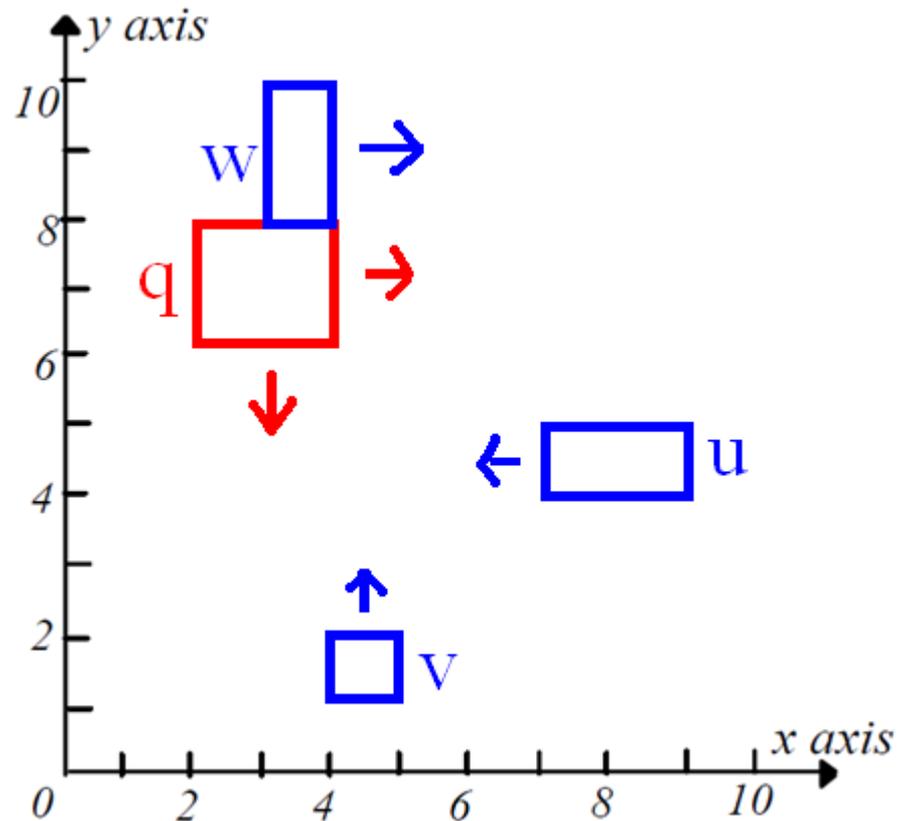


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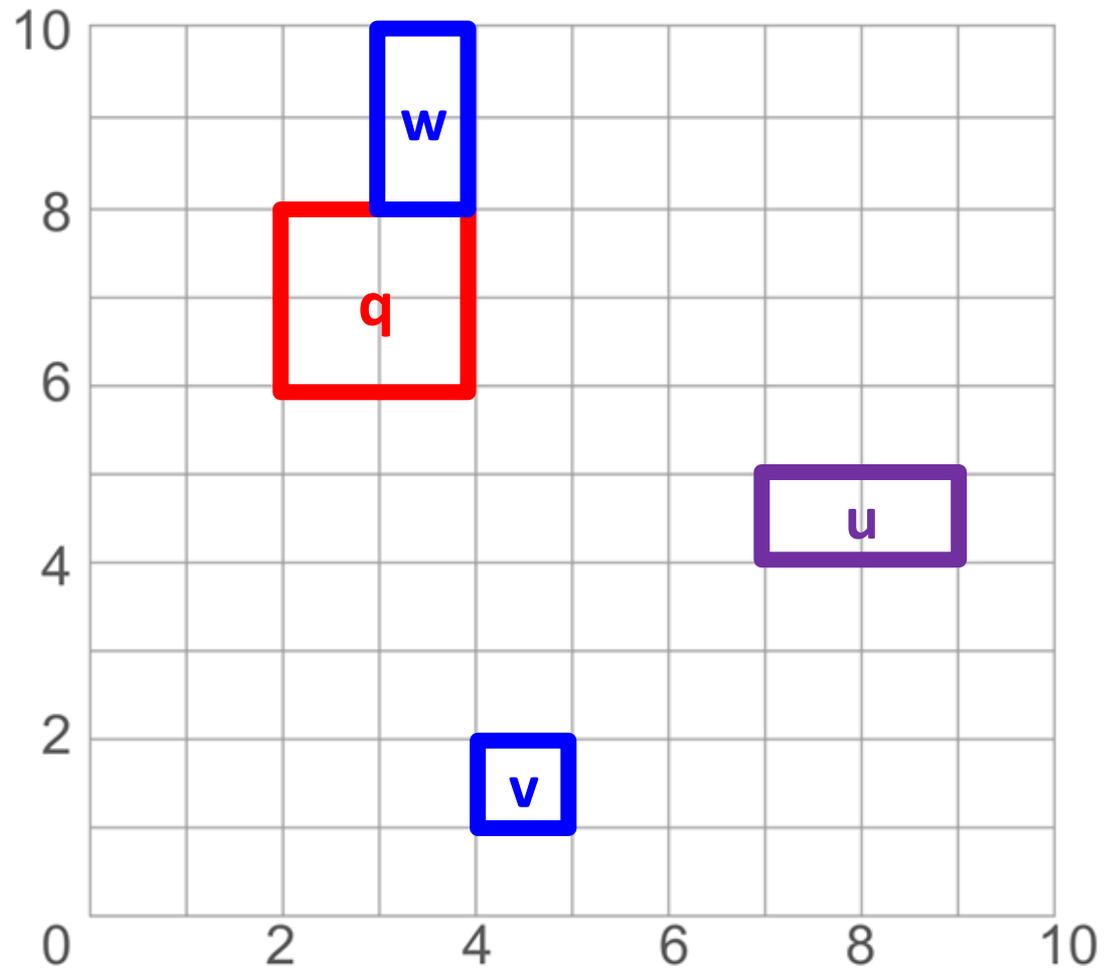
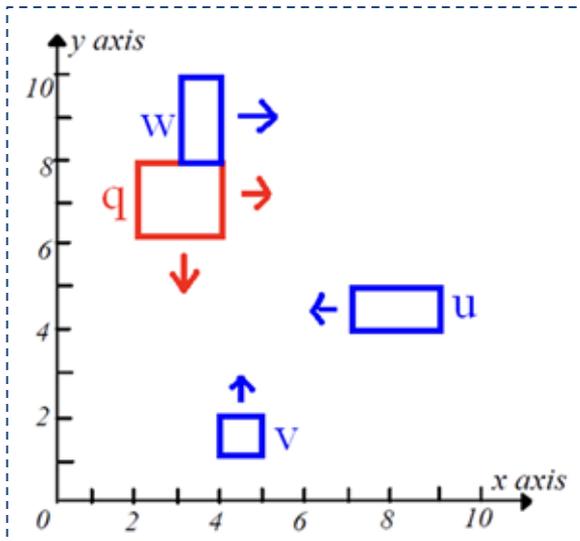
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Practice

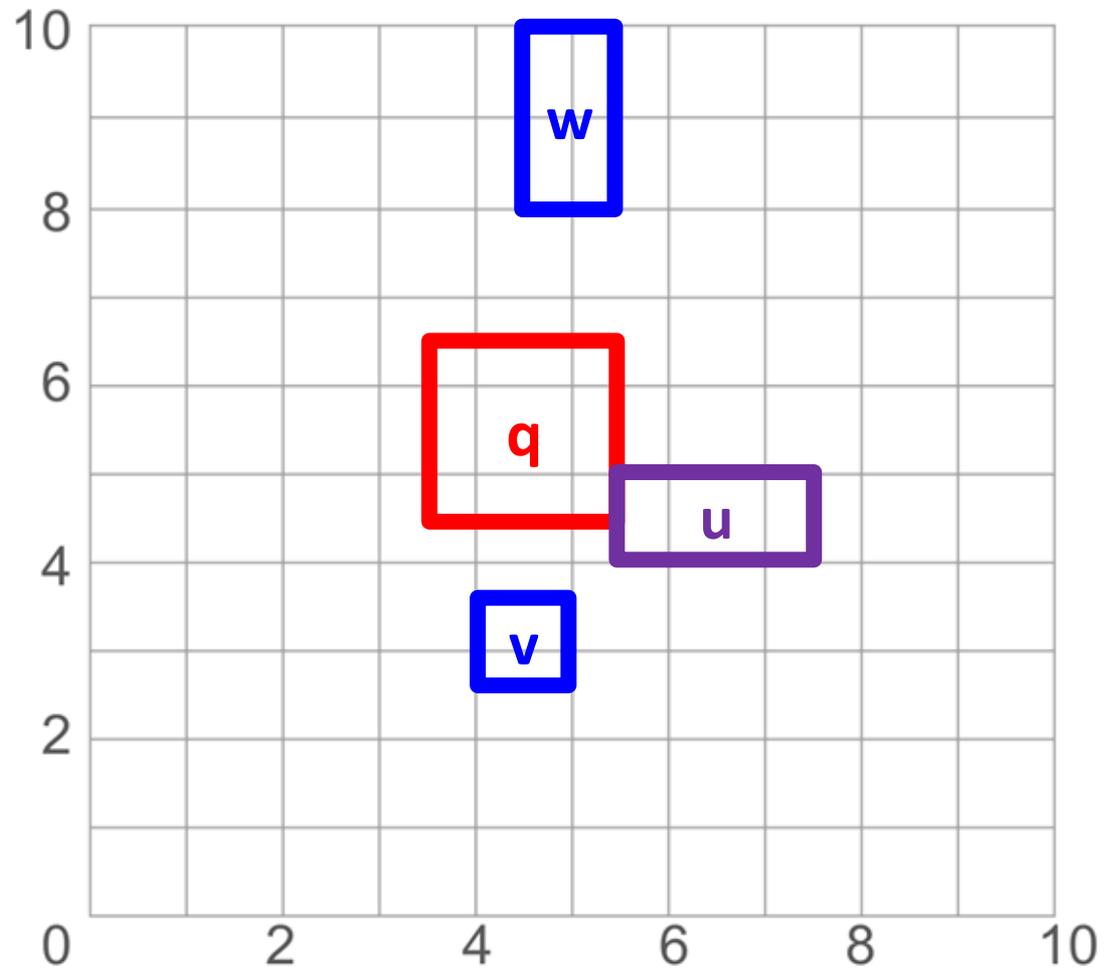
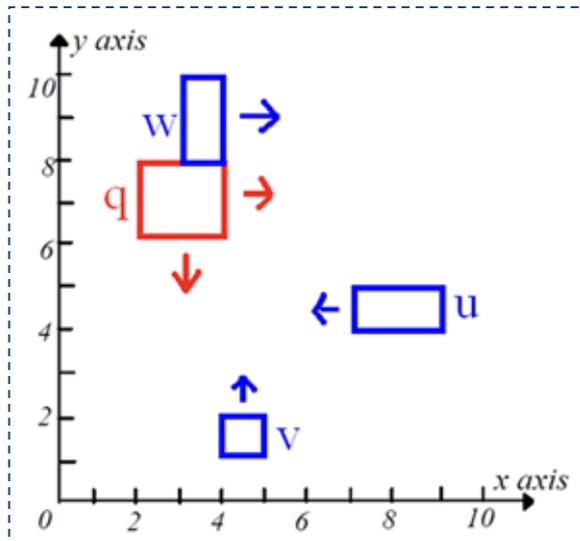
- Queries / objects are aligned with integer coordinates
 - All arrows mean 1 grid/time velocity
- Questions:
 - What is the Influence time of all objects?
 - What is the query result using TP strategy during time $[0, 3.5)$?



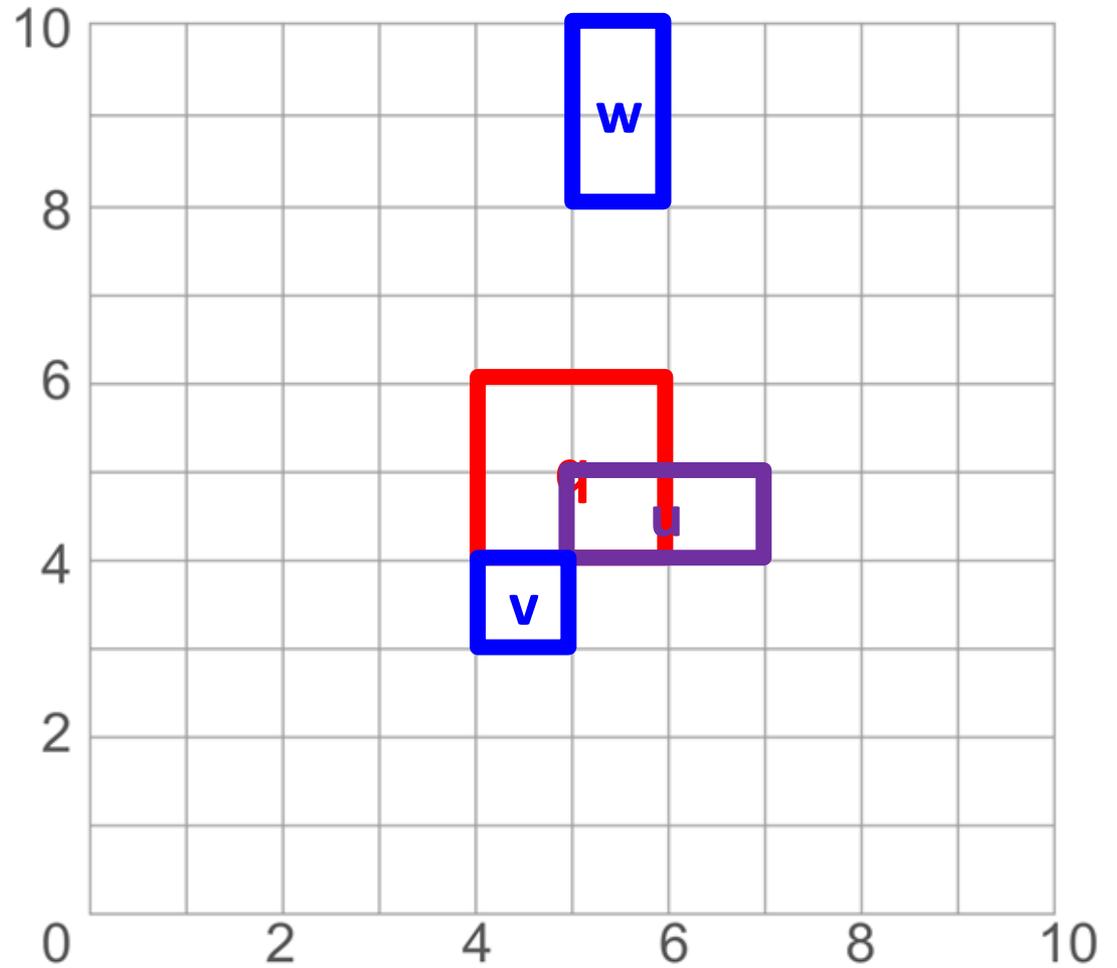
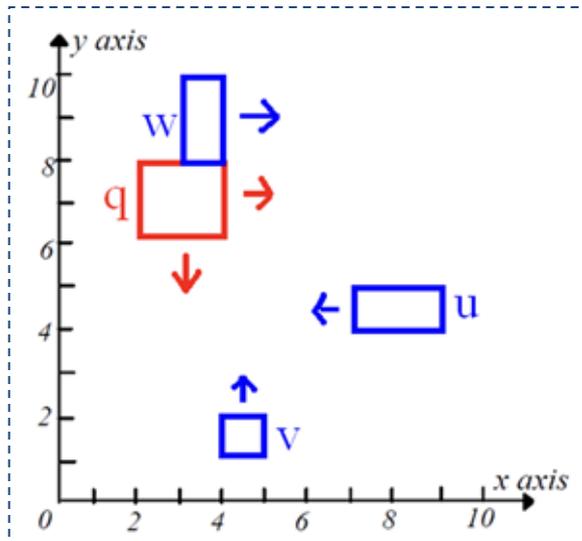
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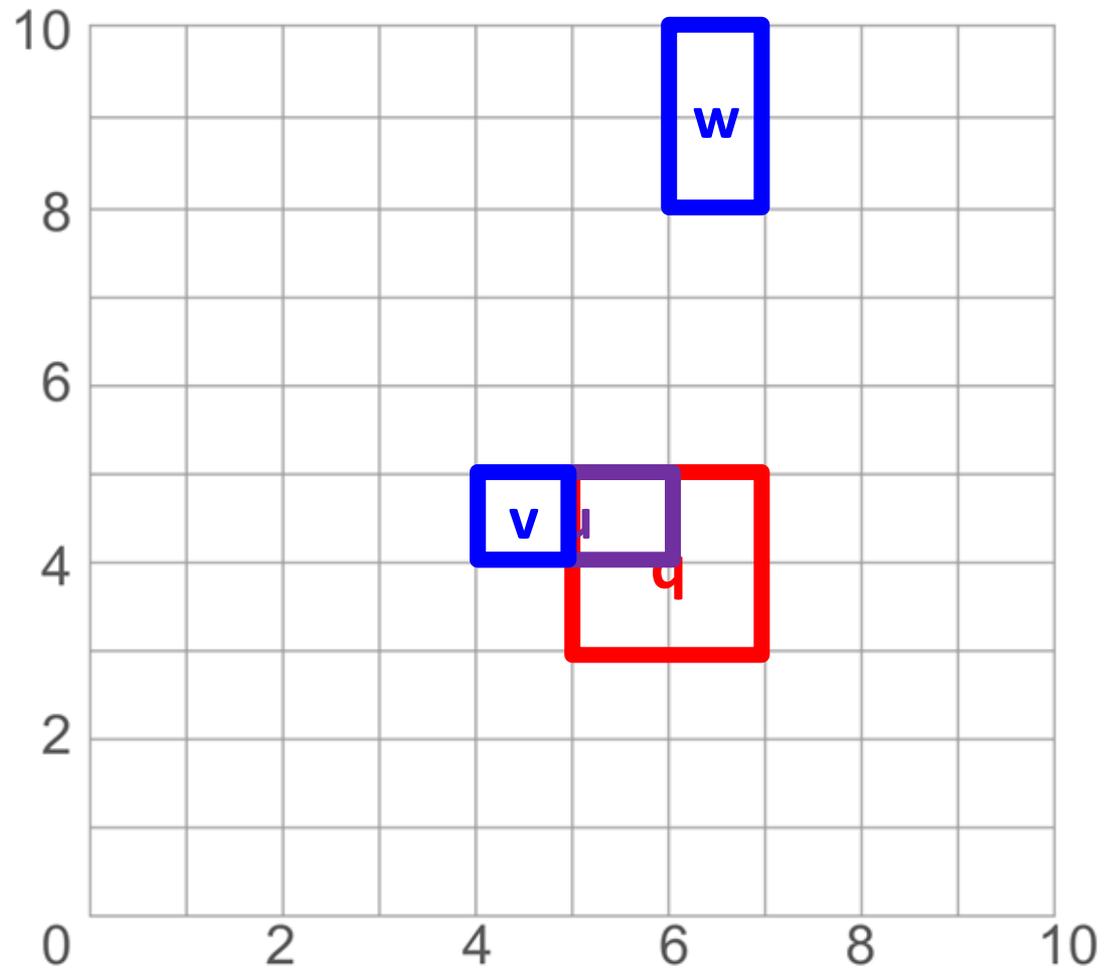
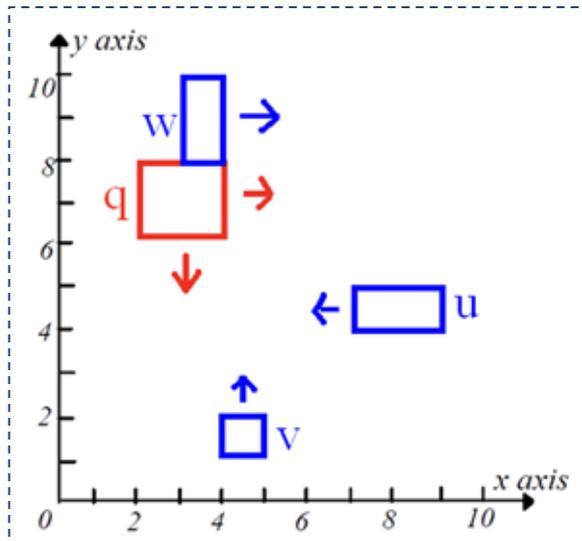
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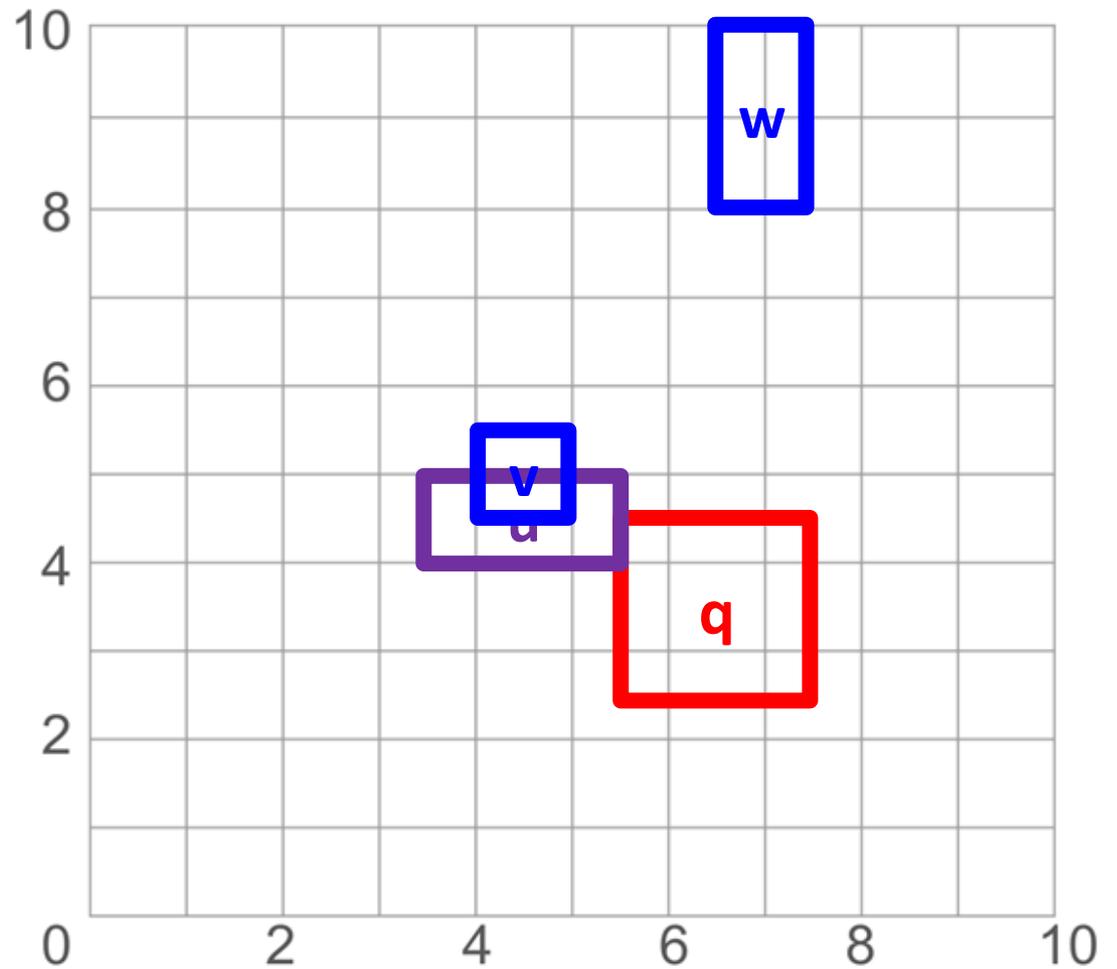
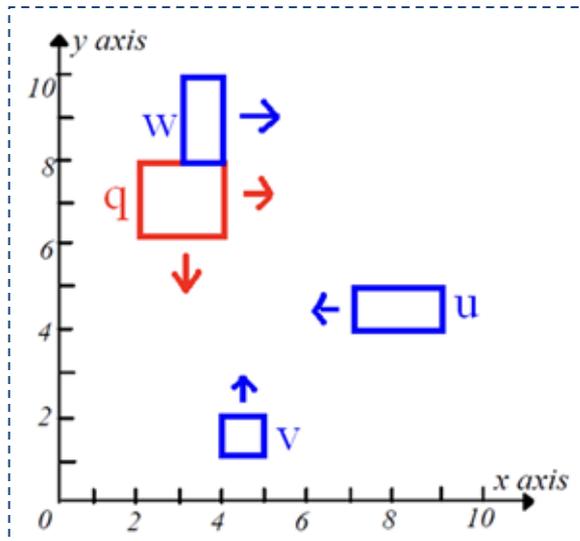
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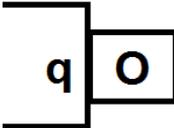
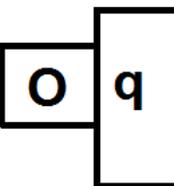
t=3



$t=3.5$



Notation Table

o	An object
q	A query (e.g. window)
$T_{INF}(o, q)$	Influence time := when o will influence q
$[T_s, T_e)$	Intersection period
T_{DSP}	Disappearance time
Subscript i	For dimension i
T_{LR}	Time 
T_{RL}	Time 

TP Queries Output Form $\langle R, T, C \rangle$

- R : current result
- T : expiry time
- C : objects that will affect R at time T