

Efficient Query Processing for Spatial and Temporal Data Exploration

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Urbanization and City Planning

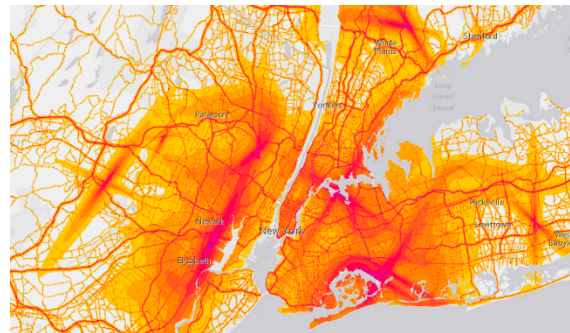


Data Exhaust from Cities

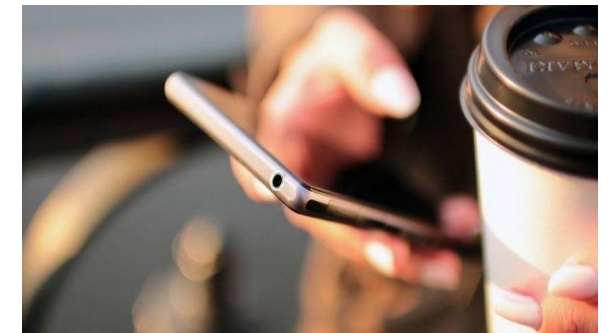
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Environment



People



Understanding Cities through Data

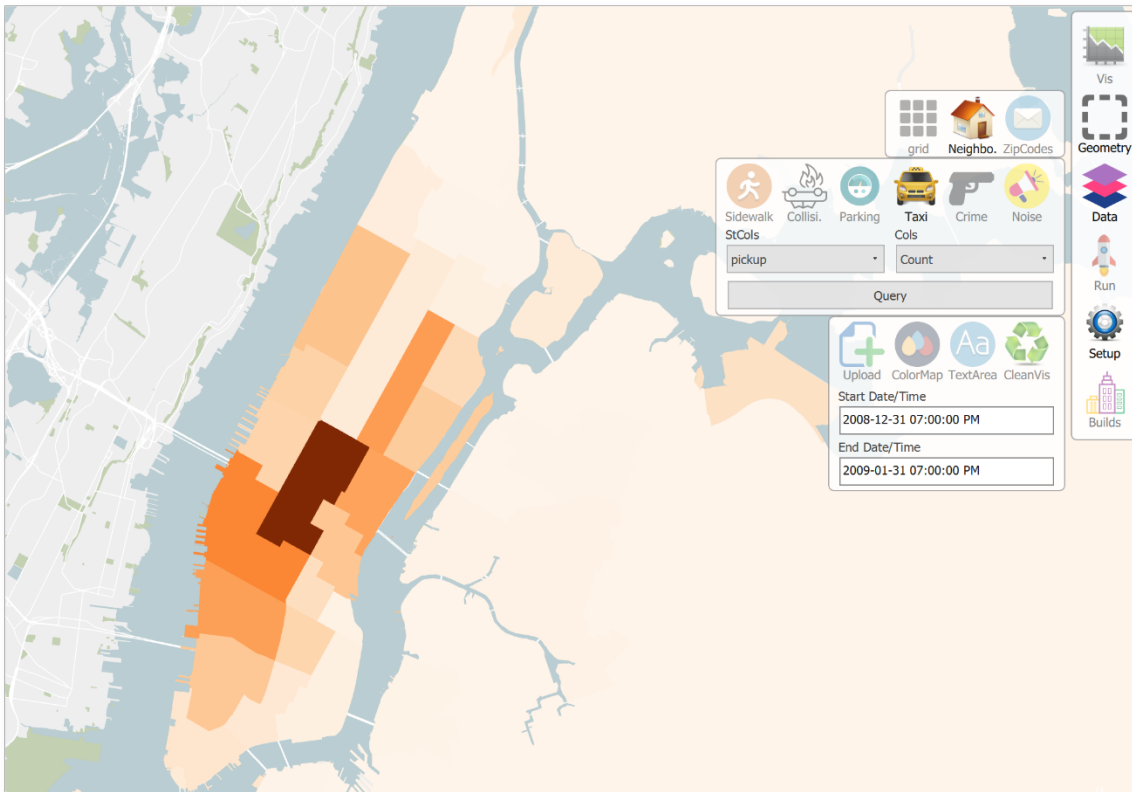
NYC OpenData



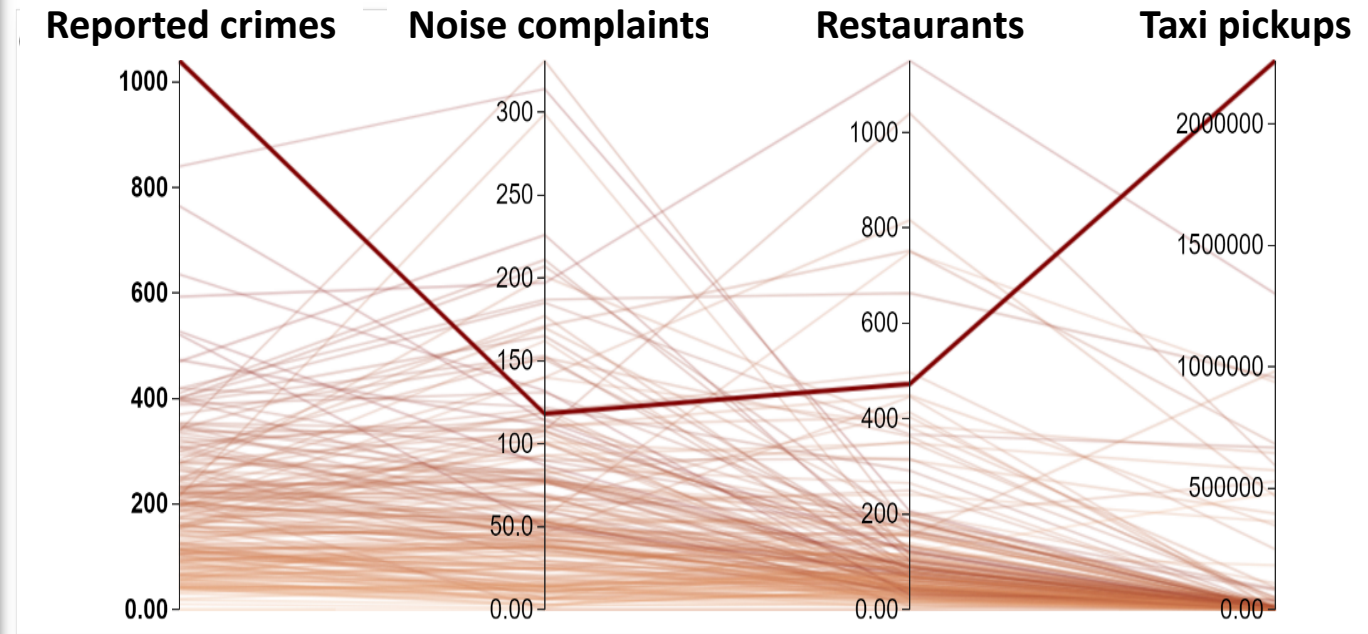
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Opportunity: Data-driven urban planning

Visual Spatial Data Exploration



Distribution of taxi pickups per neighborhood in Manhattan



Comparison of different urban datasets

Need: Interactive response times

Spatial Aggregation Queries

Aggregation

SELECT COUNT(*)

Input

FROM taxi ride T , neighborhoods N

Spatial Join

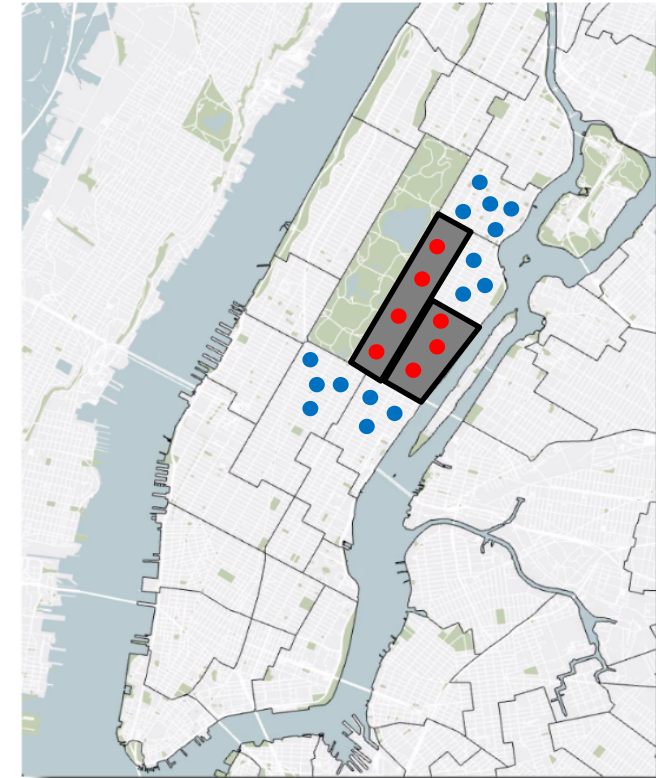
WHERE $T.\text{pickup}$ INSIDE $N.\text{geometry}$

Selection

AND $T.\text{picktime}$ in January 2009

Grouping

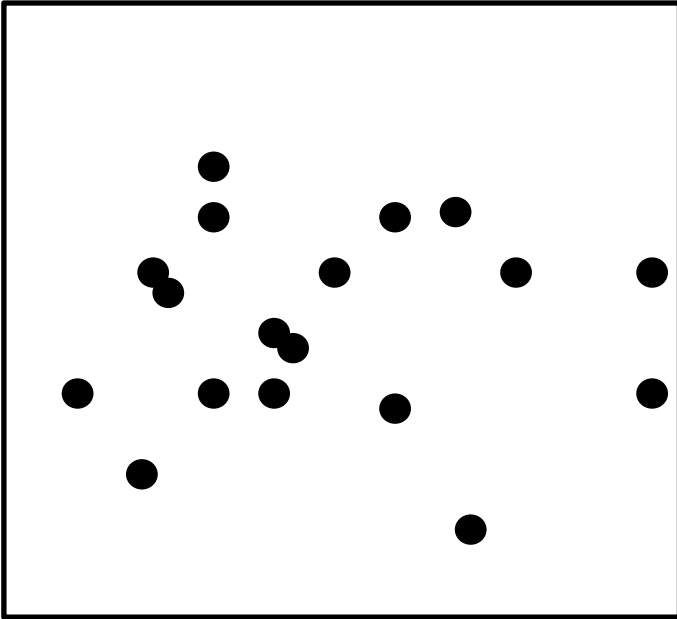
GROUP BY $N.\text{id}$



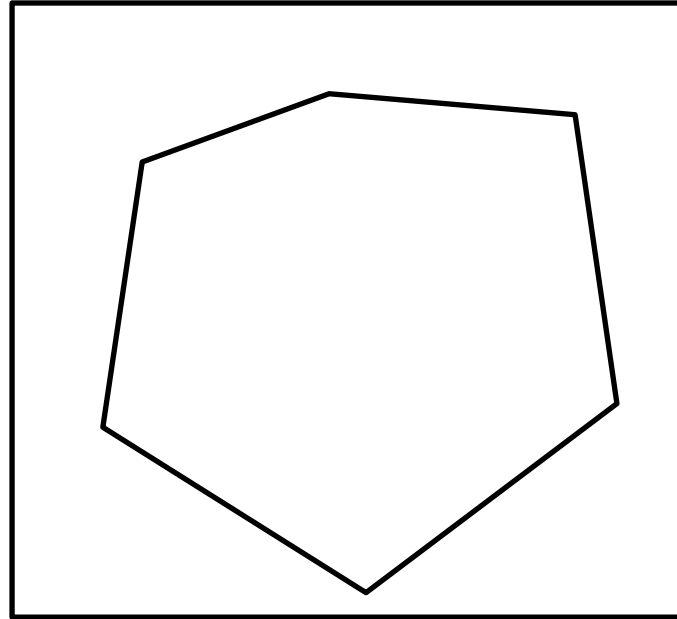
Point-in-Polygon tests

Expensive Point-in-Polygon tests → High latency (minutes)

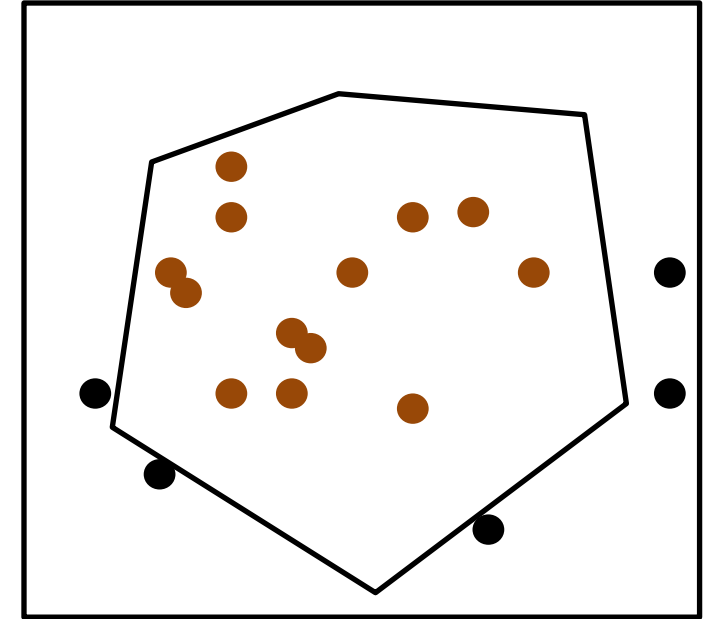
Spatial Aggregation: a Geometric Perspective



Input points



Input polygon

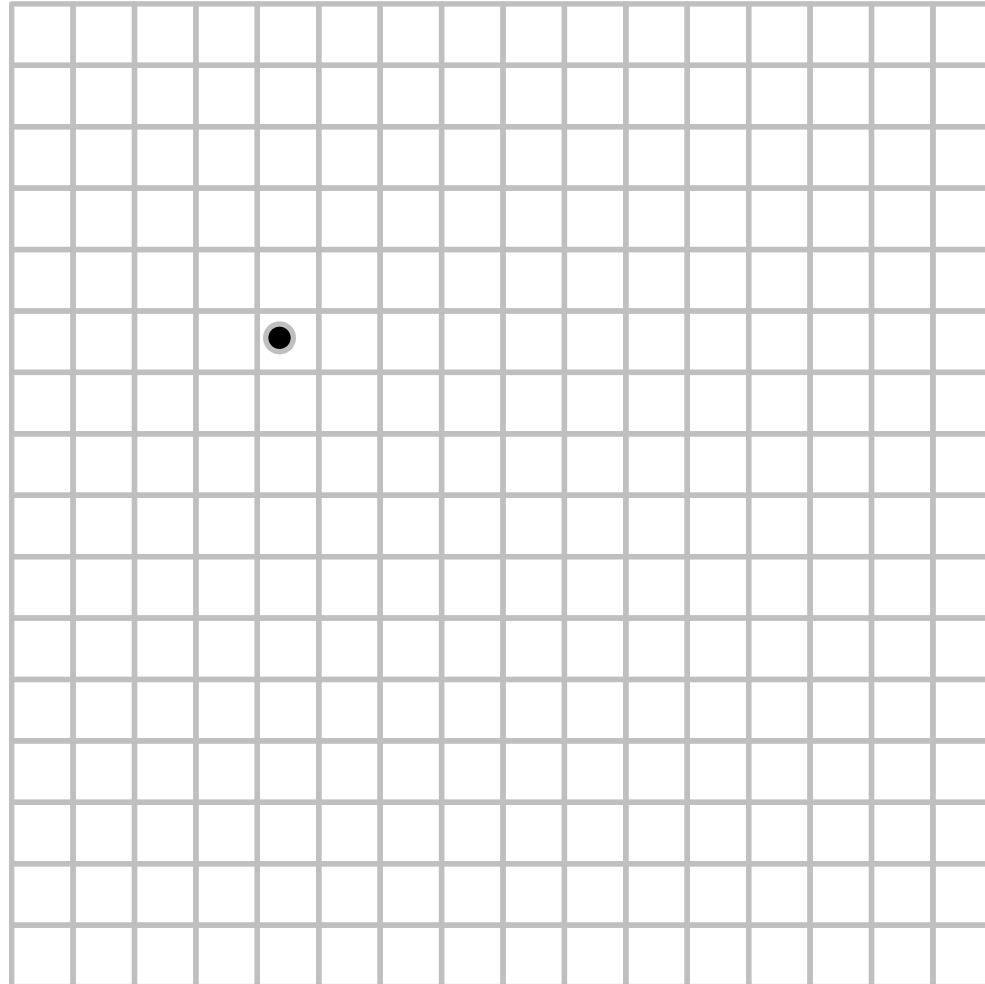


Spatial join

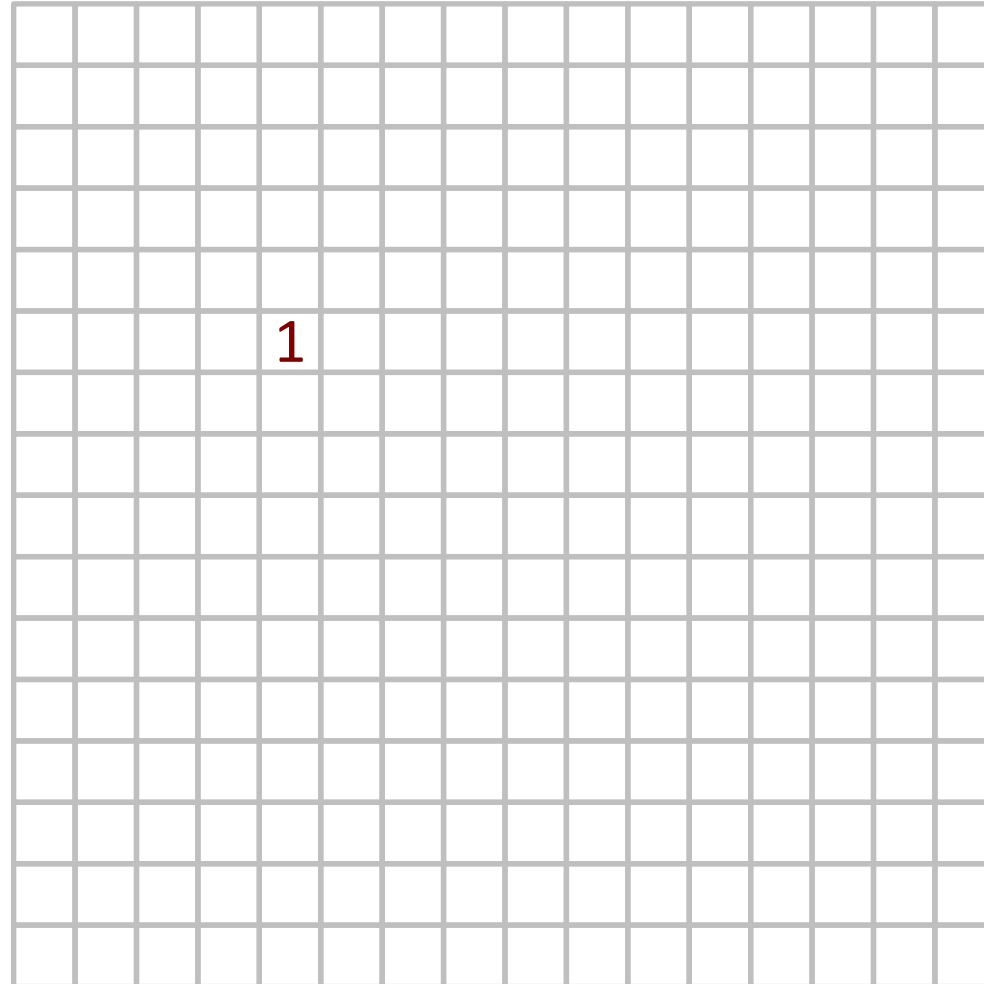
“Drawing” on the same canvas

→ Leverage the graphics pipeline of the GPU

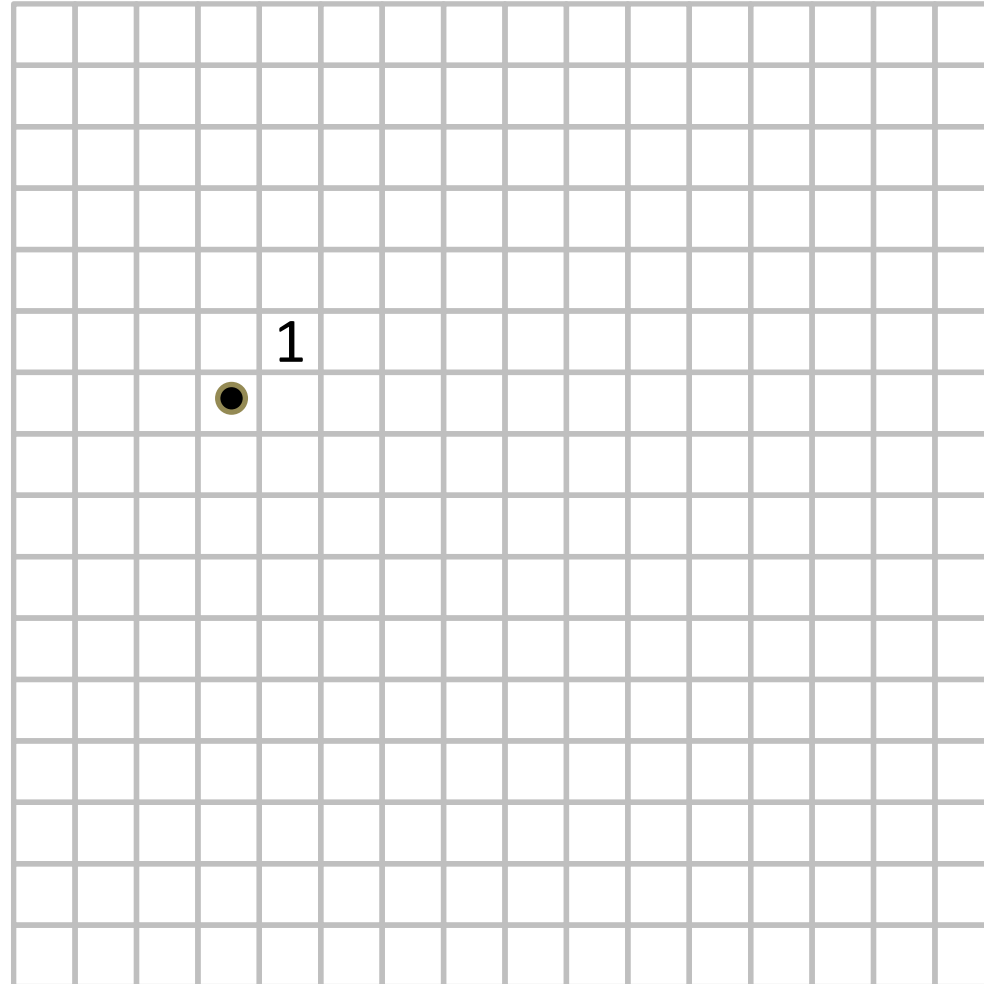
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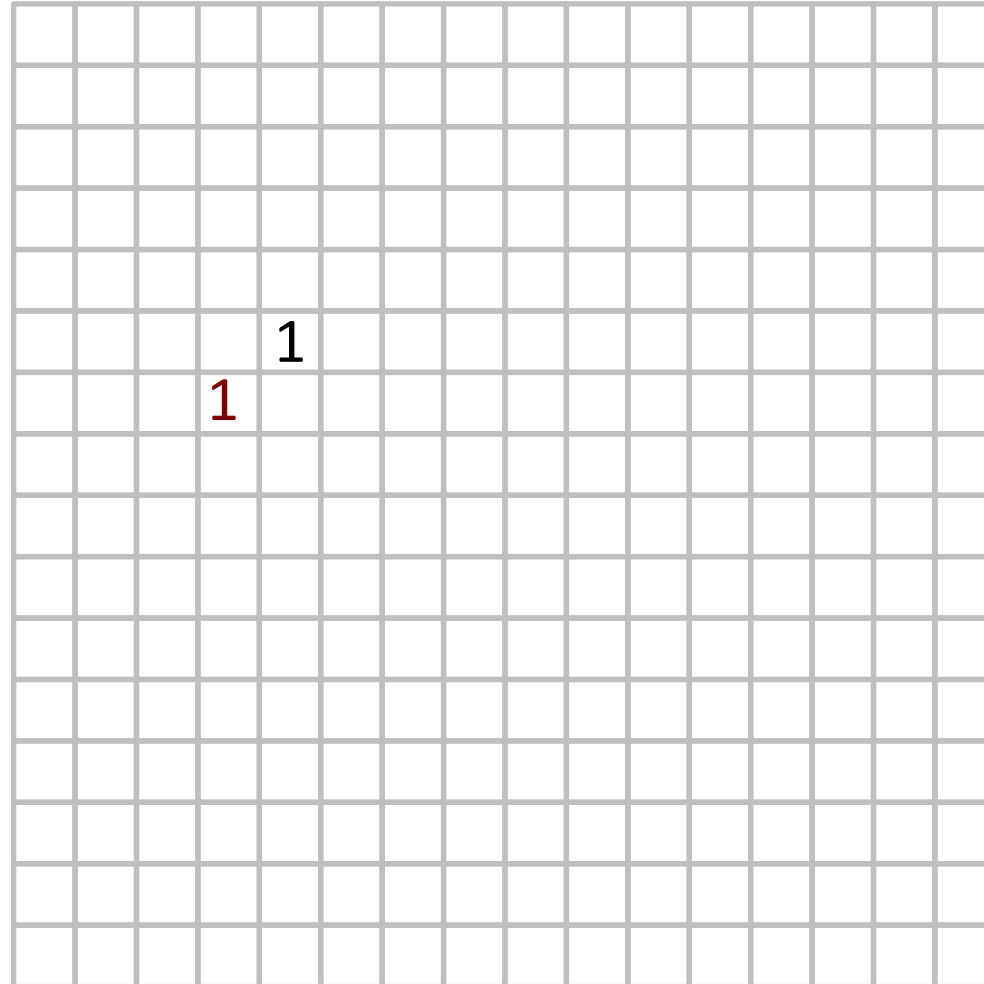
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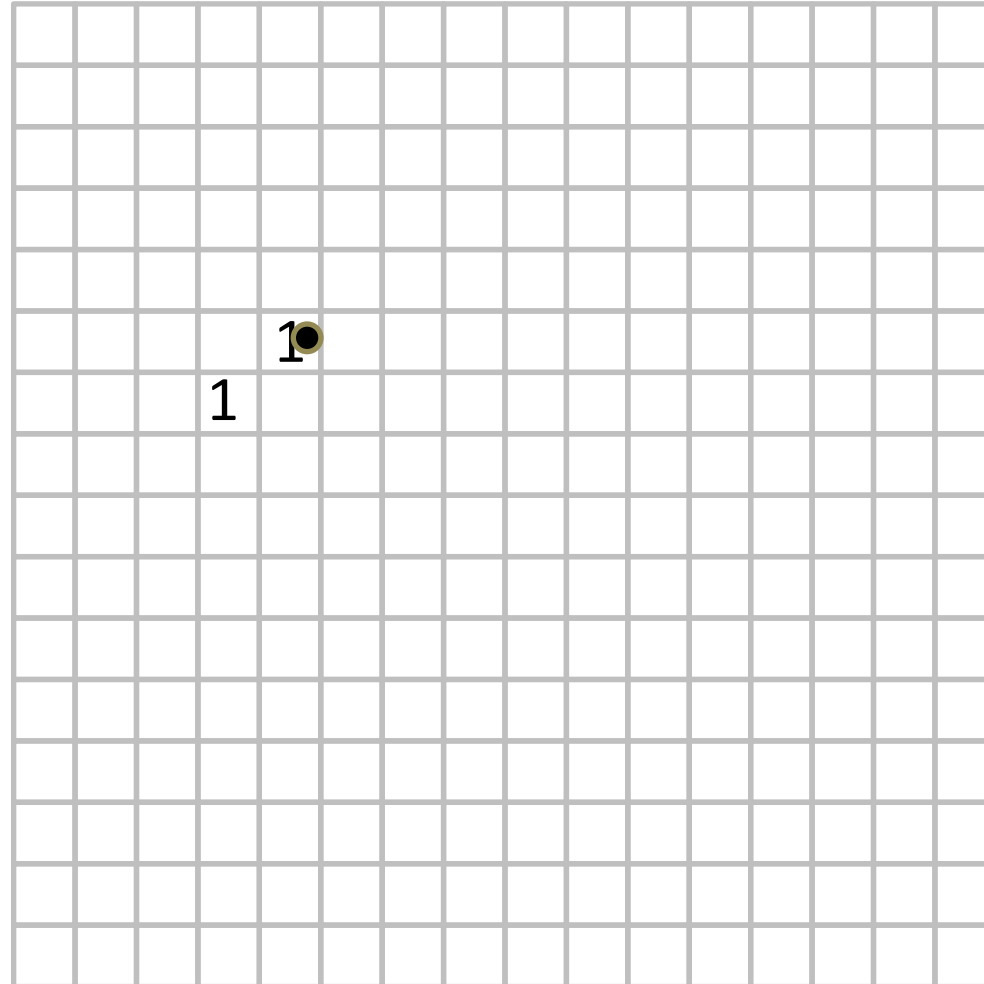
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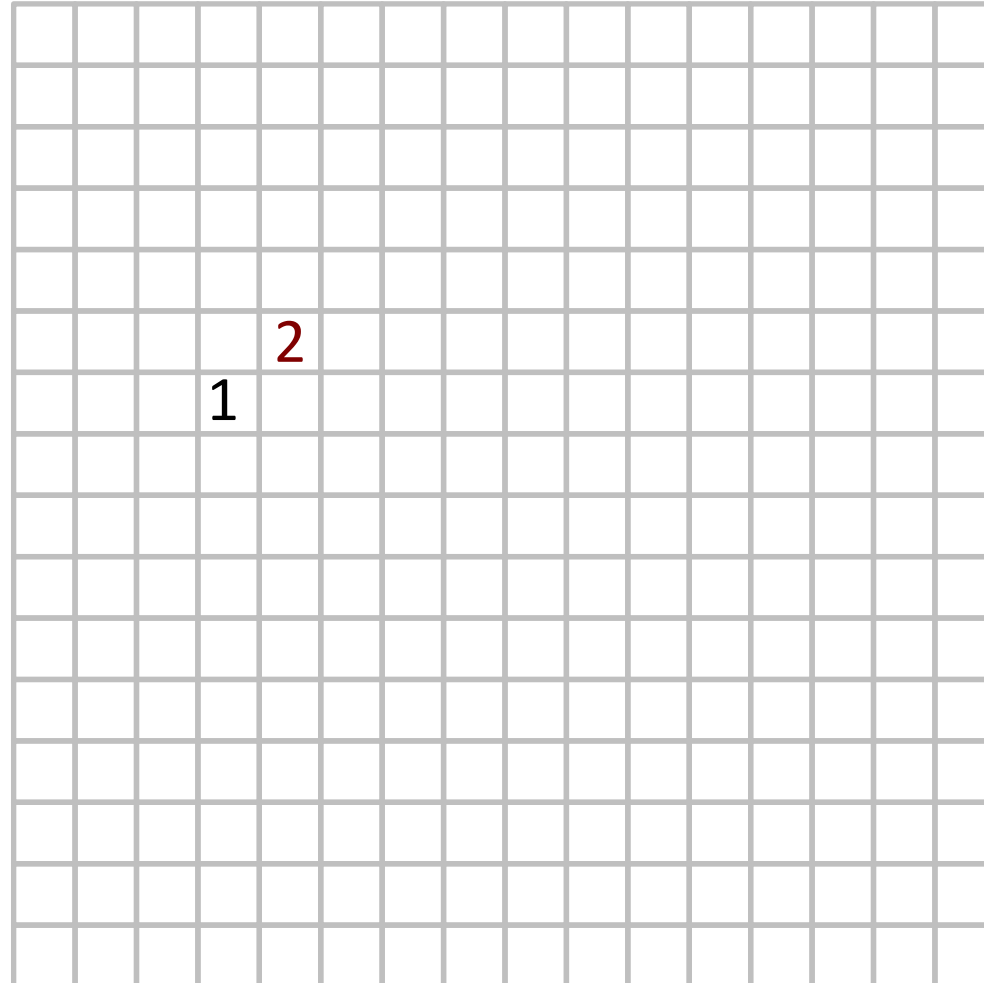
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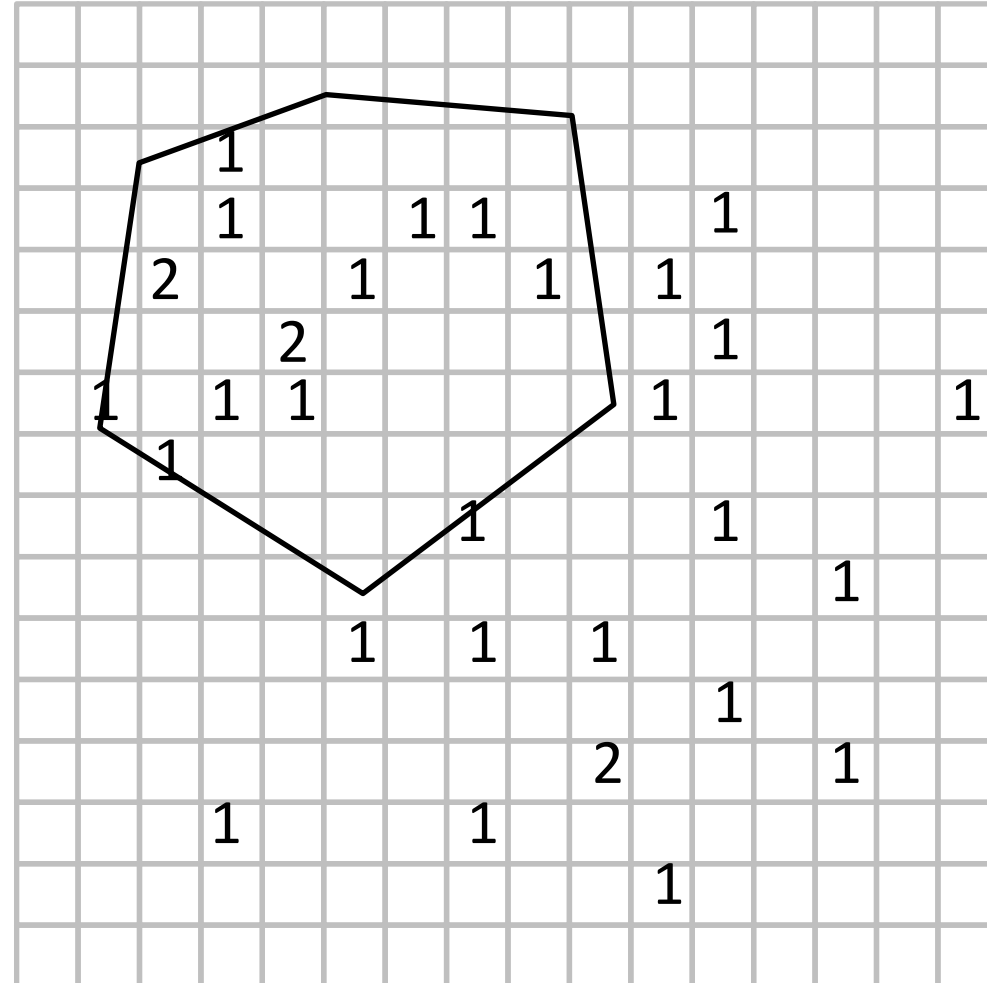
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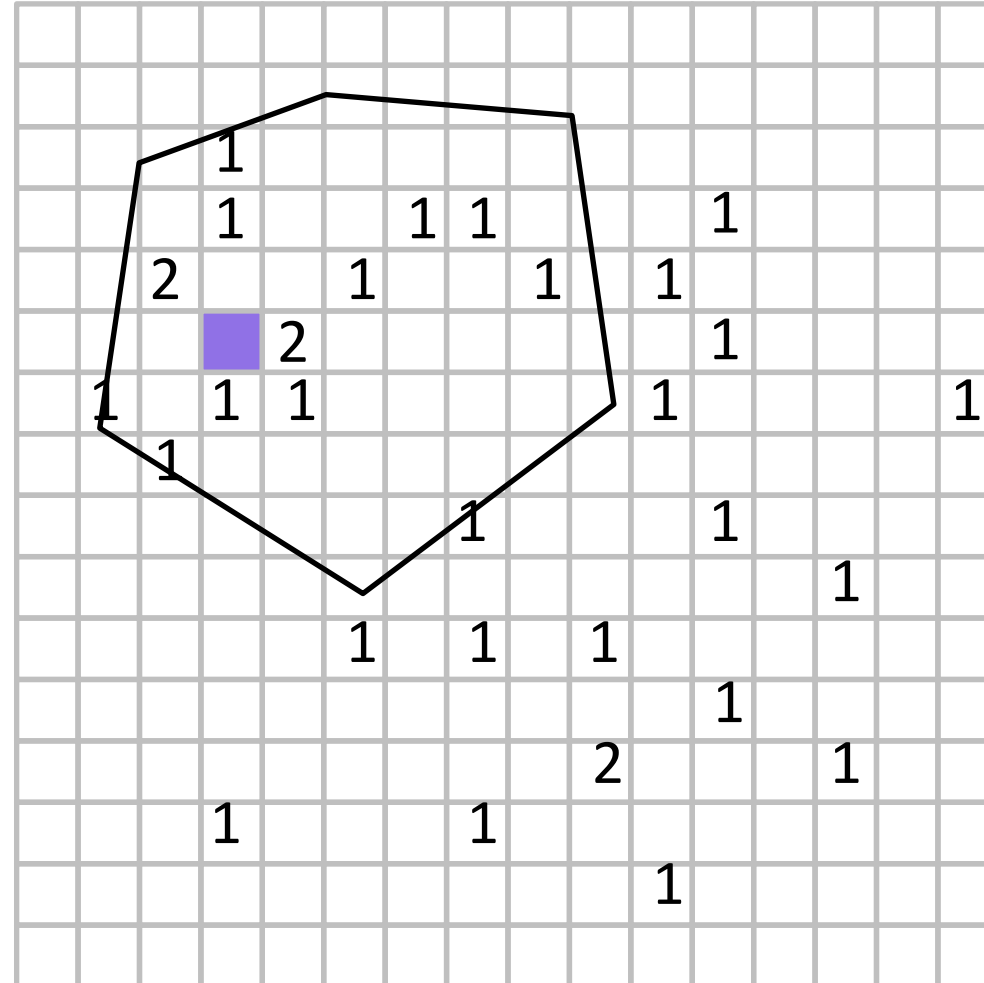
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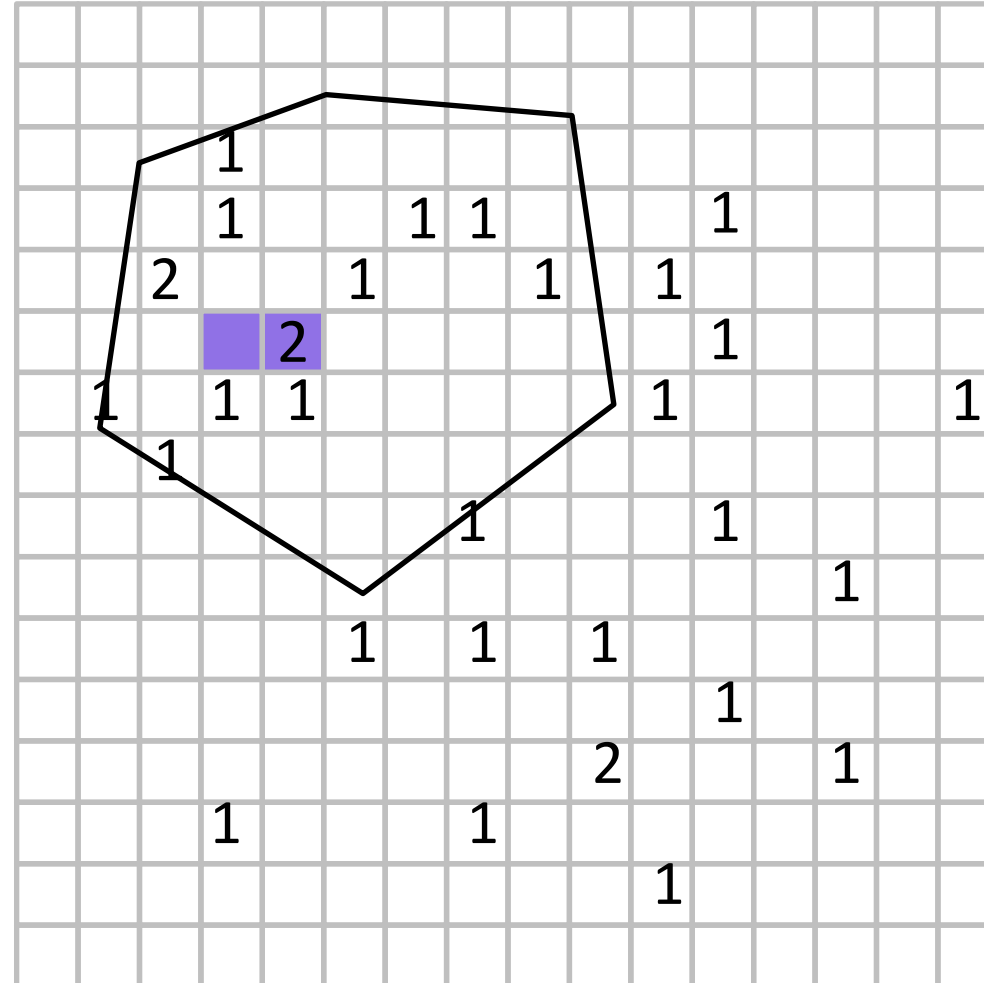


Raster Join - Step 2: Draw the Polygons



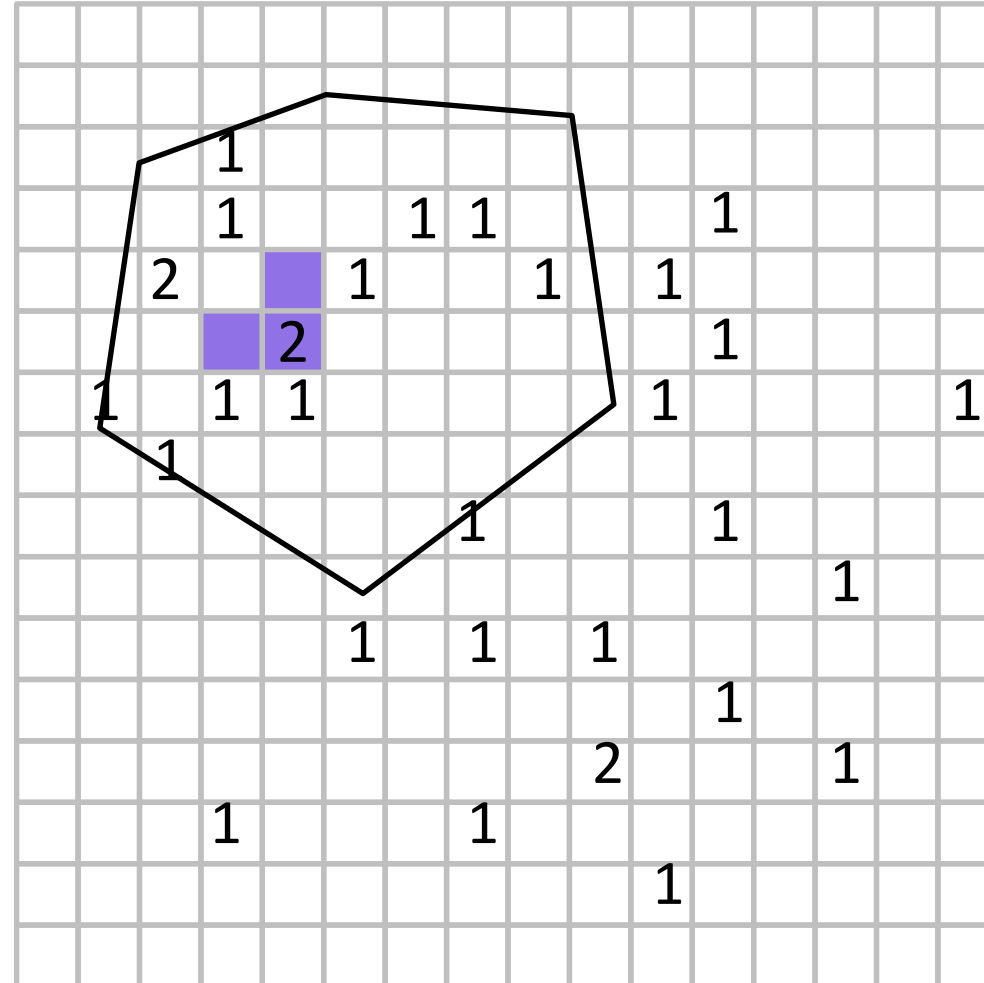
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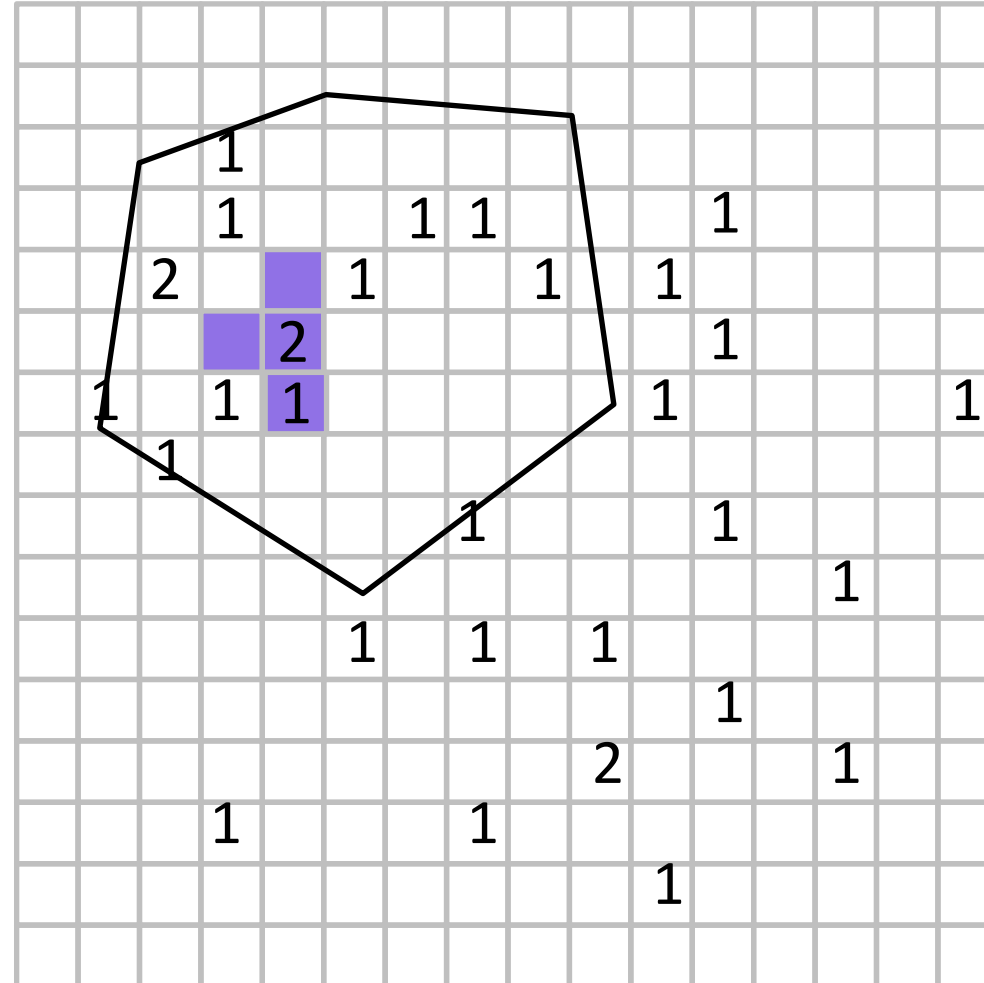
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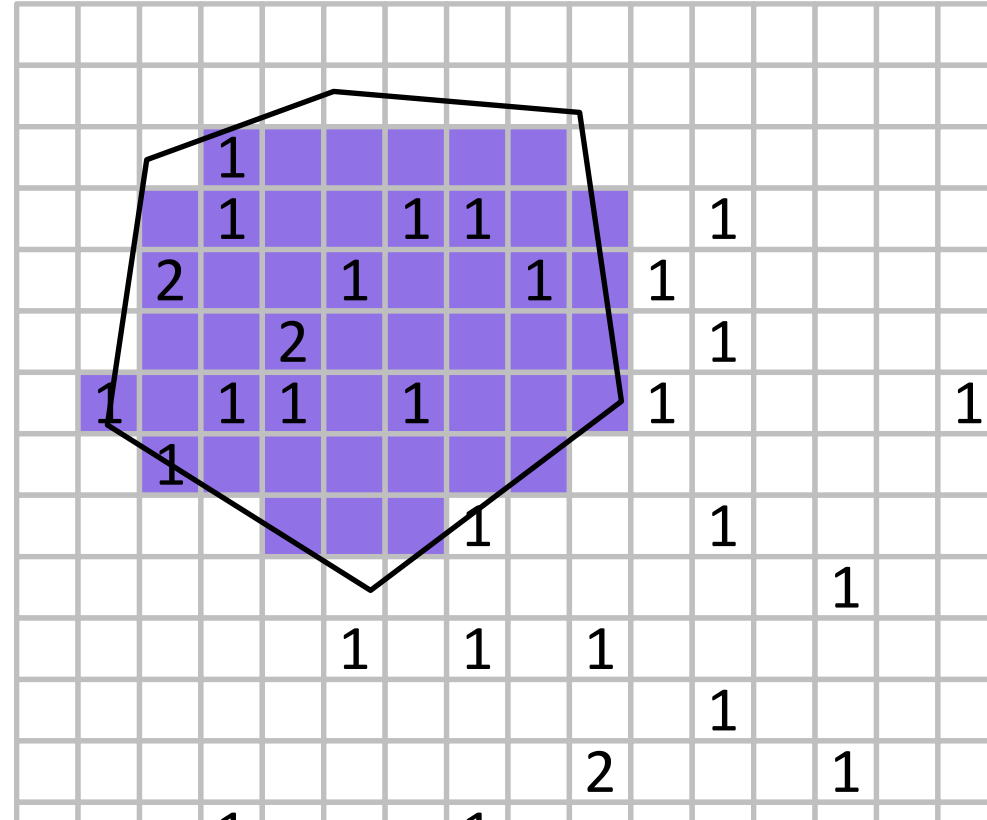
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Raster Join - Step 2: Draw the Polygons



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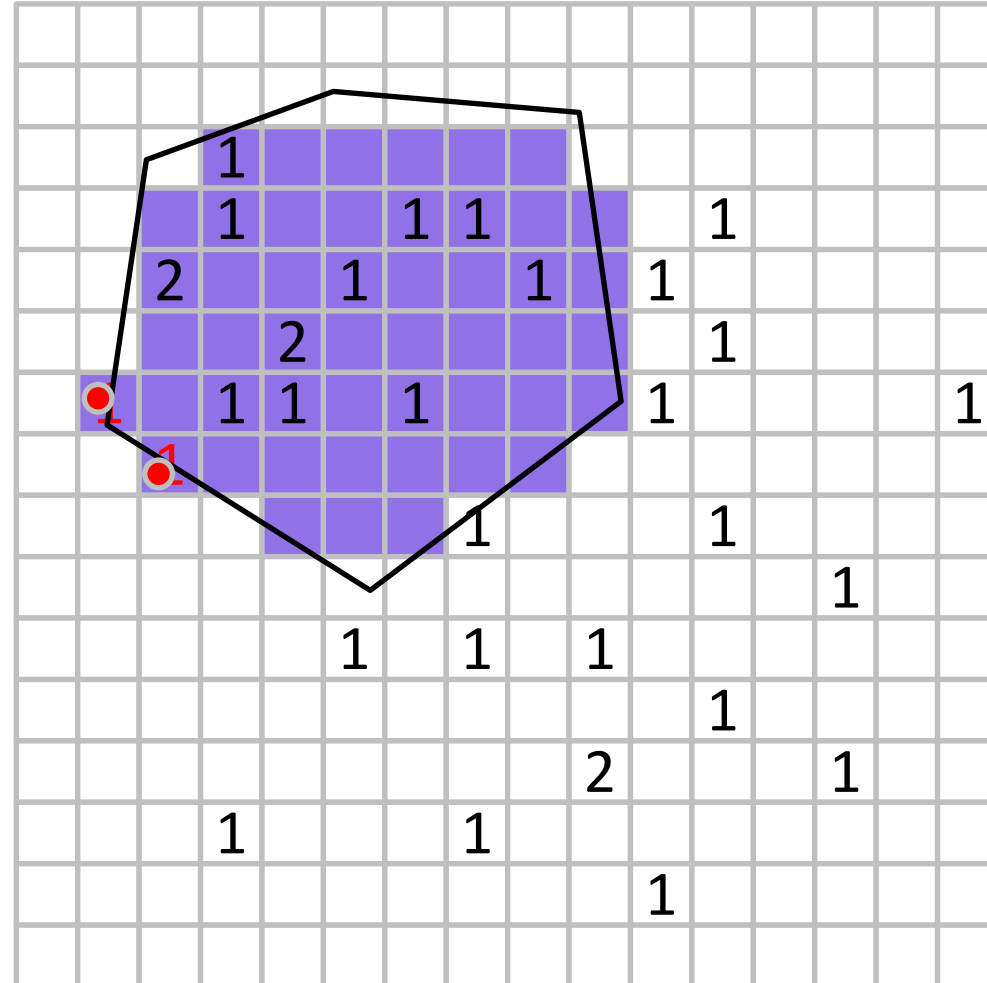
Uses native support for drawing in GPUs
Combines the aggregation with the join operation
No Point-in-Polygon tests

Bounding the Approximation Error

- Bound the Hausdorff distance between the approximate (purple) and the original polygon.

$$H(P_q, P) \leq \varepsilon$$

- Smaller pixel size \rightarrow higher accuracy.

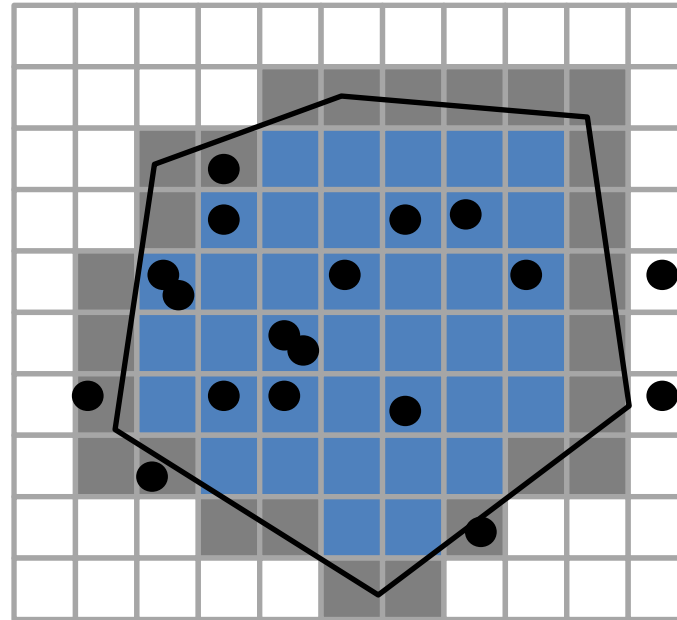


Trade accuracy for response time

Hybrid Raster Join: an Accurate Technique

Blue pixels - completely inside the polygon: store count

Grey pixels - polygon boundary: Point-in-Polygon (PiP) tests



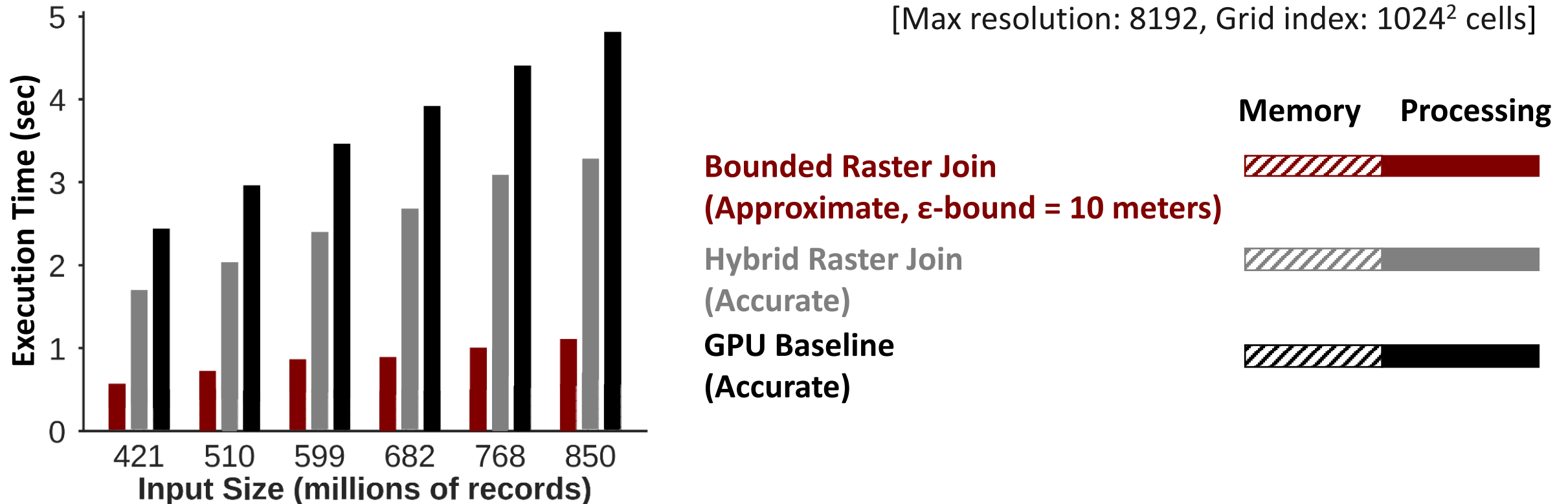
Extra computation: identifying the boundary & performing PiP tests

Scaling with Increasing Data Sizes

COUNT Taxi rides (points) GROUP BY NYC Neighborhoods (260 polygons)

[Intel Core i7 Quad-Core CPU @ 2.80GHz, 16GB RAM, NVIDIA GTX 1060 GPU, 6GB memory (using only 3GB)]

[Max resolution: 8192, Grid index: 1024² cells]

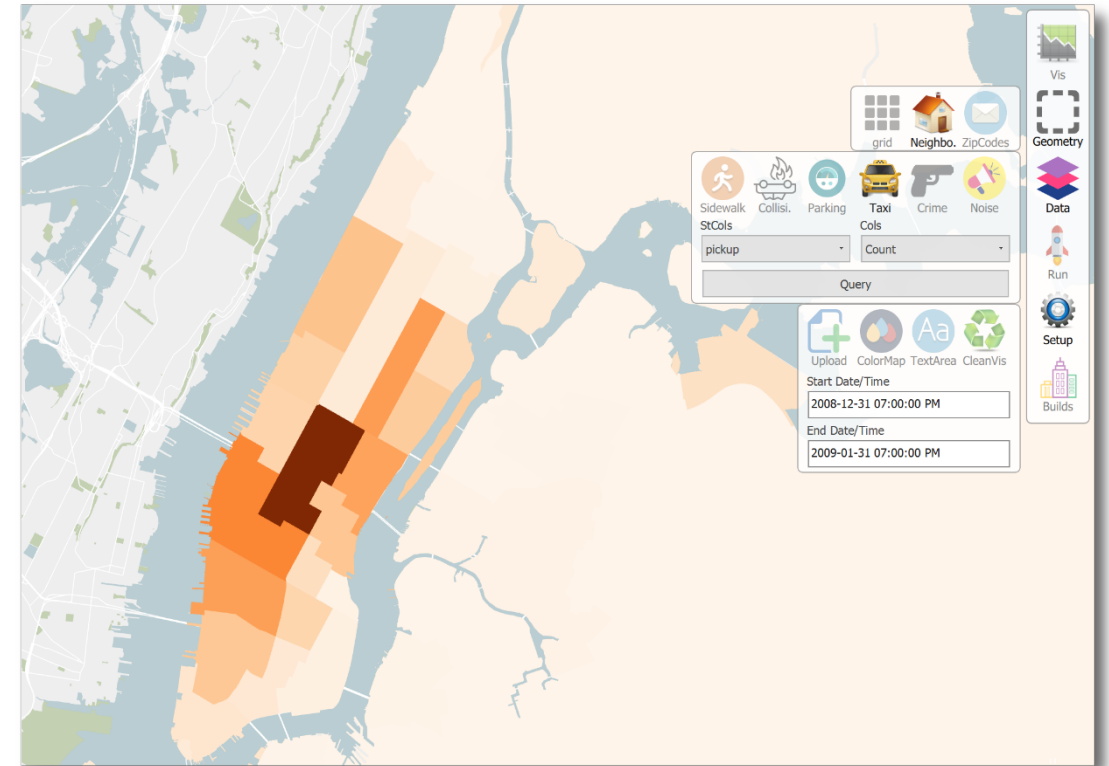


Bounded Raster Join is 4X faster than GPU Baseline
CPU-GPU data transfer takes a significant amount of time

GPU Rasterization enables Interactive Spatial Queries

[VLDB18, SIGMOD18]

- Express queries as graphics primitives and use modern GPUs
- Aggregating 850M taxi records over NYC neighborhoods in ~1 second

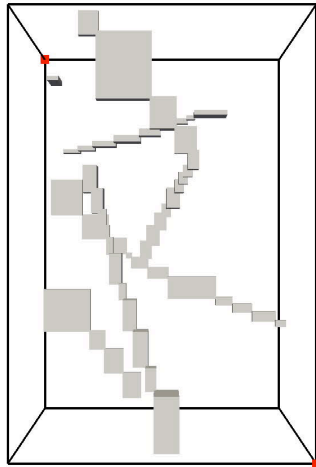


Clipped Minimum Bounding Boxes for Efficient Spatial Indexing

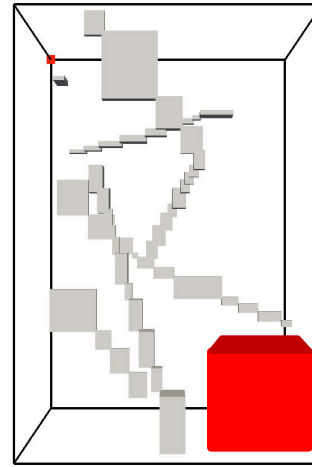
[ICDE18]

Improve precision by subtracting out empty bounded areas

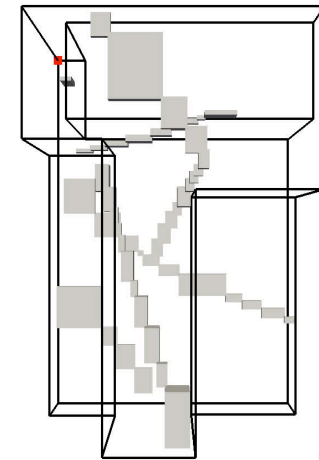
➔ Answering a spatial range query on 1B objects in less than 200ms



Minimum Bounding Box



**Empty space ➔
Ineffective filtering**



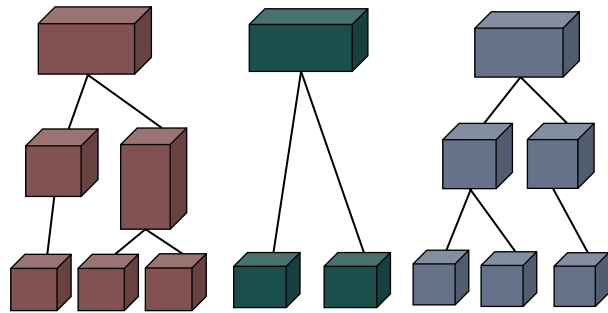
Clipped Bounding Box

Workload-Aware Indexing enables Ad-hoc Spatial Queries

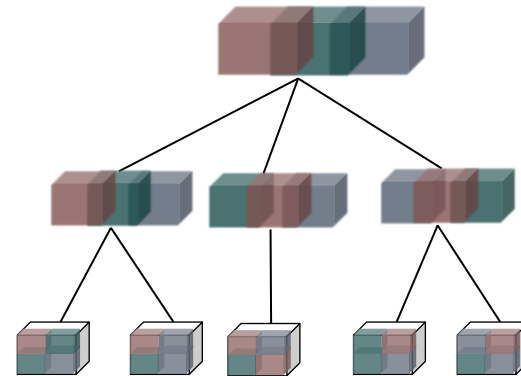
[ExploreDB16]

Category-aware spatial data organization

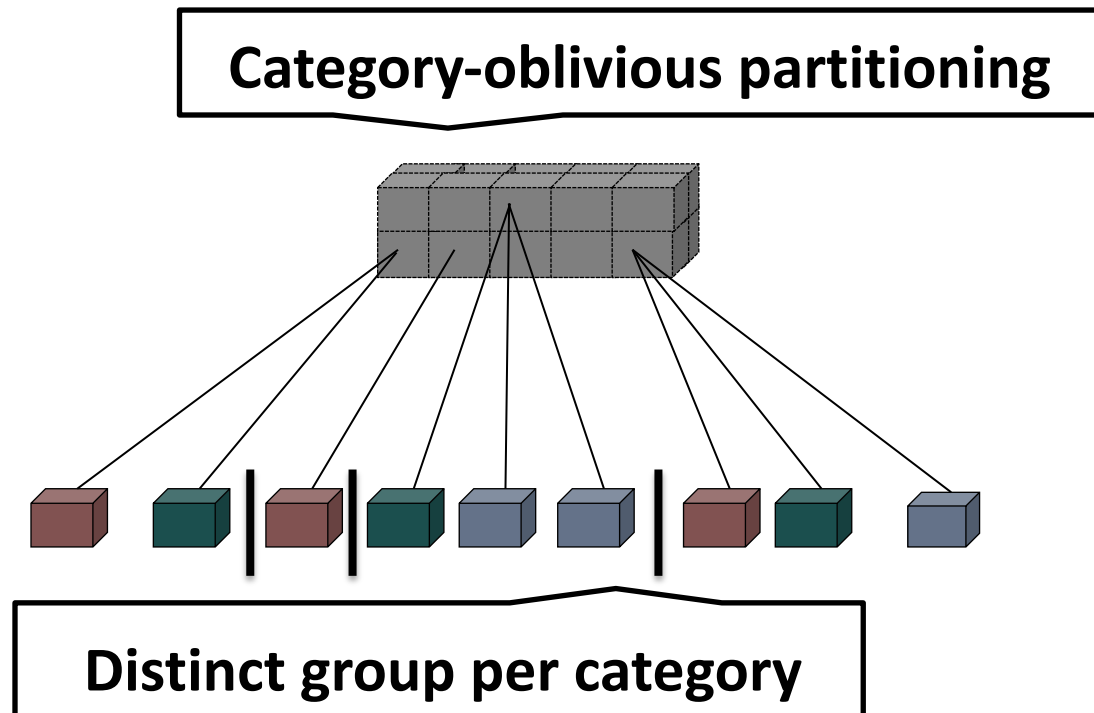
➔ Up to 12.3X faster queries on 10 different neuron categories



Index per category



Index over union

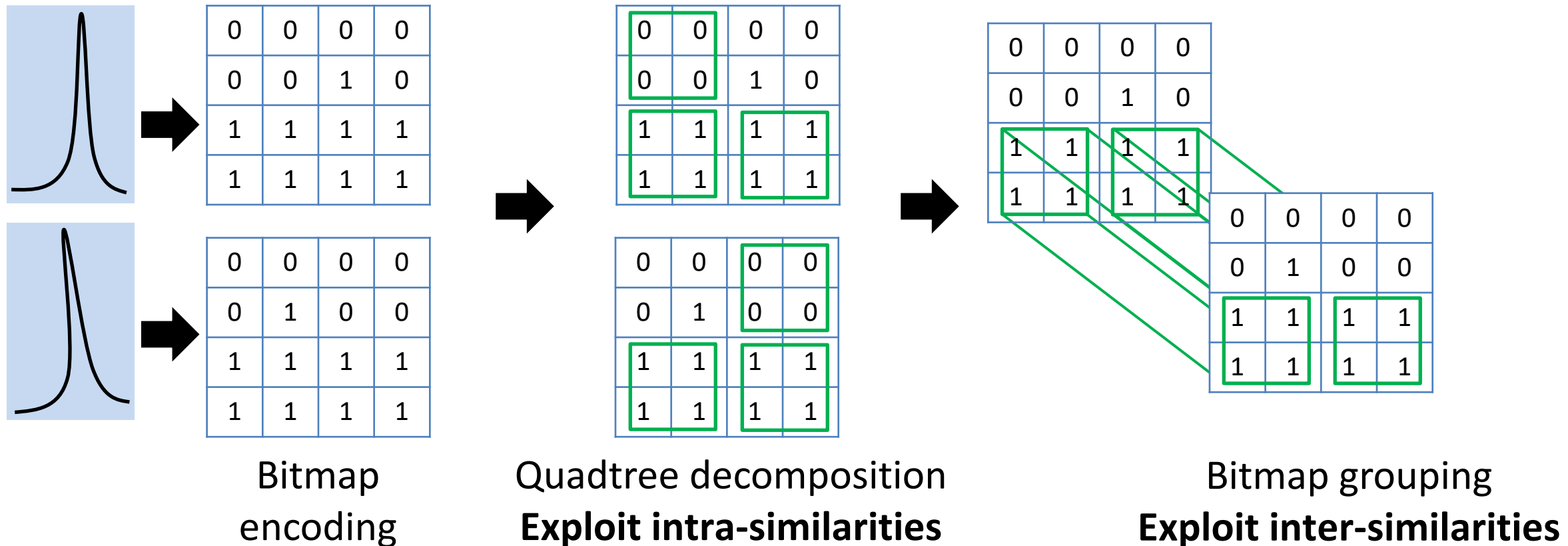


Quadtree Bitmap Decomposition for Scalable Time Series Indexing

Value-time searches exploiting space-time similarity

[SSDBM15]

➔ From 9X to 23X faster queries on neuroscience data



Thesis Statement

Modern applications need to explore large amounts of spatial and temporal data at interactive speeds, challenging traditional query processing techniques that rely on time-consuming computations and inefficient access methods.

Query operators that exploit **specialized hardware** and **workload-aware access methods** enable scalable and interactive exploration of spatial and temporal data.

Looking Ahead

- **Approximation-based spatial data processing**
 - Fine-grained approximations and omission of exact geometric tests
 - Distance-based error bound
 - Trade precision / storage space for performance
- **Utility of graphics techniques for spatial data processing**
 - GPU rasterization for real-time approximation
 - 3D Join → Collision Detection

Thank you!