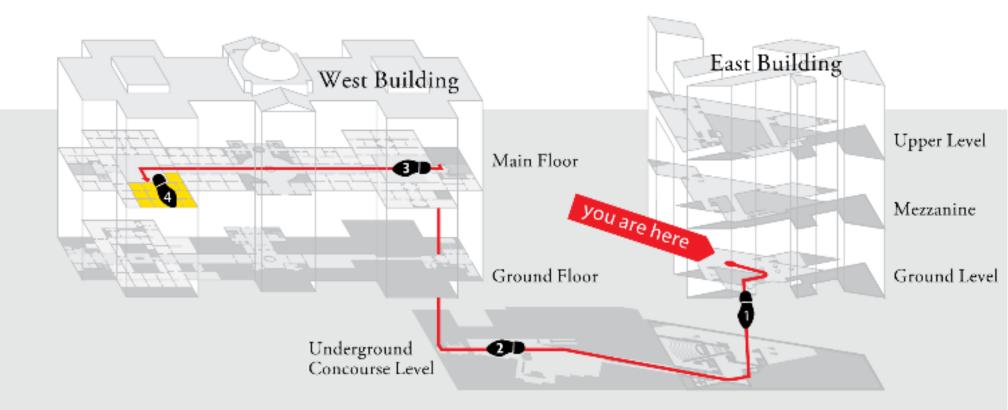
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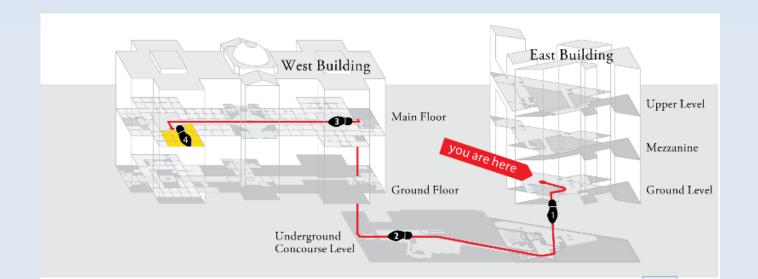
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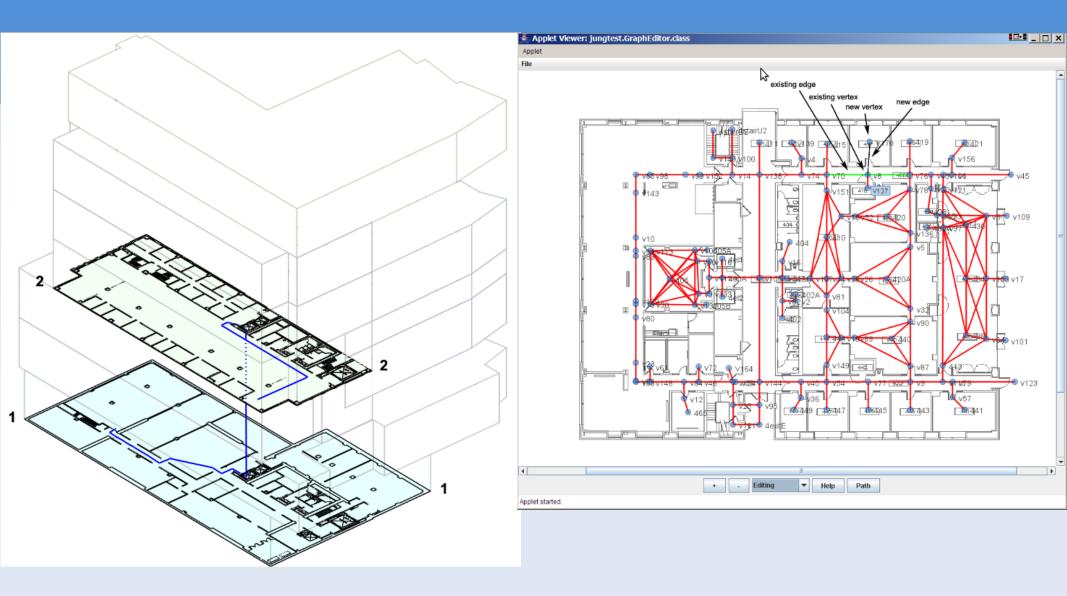
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Project Description

 Generate static and interactive maps showing the path between any two rooms in a 3D architectural environment.



Related Work



Navtej Sadhal The Presentation of 3D Maps of Building Interiors for Easy Way-Finding

Project Description

- Input:
 - •Triangle soup (Quake 3 maps at the moment)
 - •Height of a human navigator
 - •Number of floors (?)



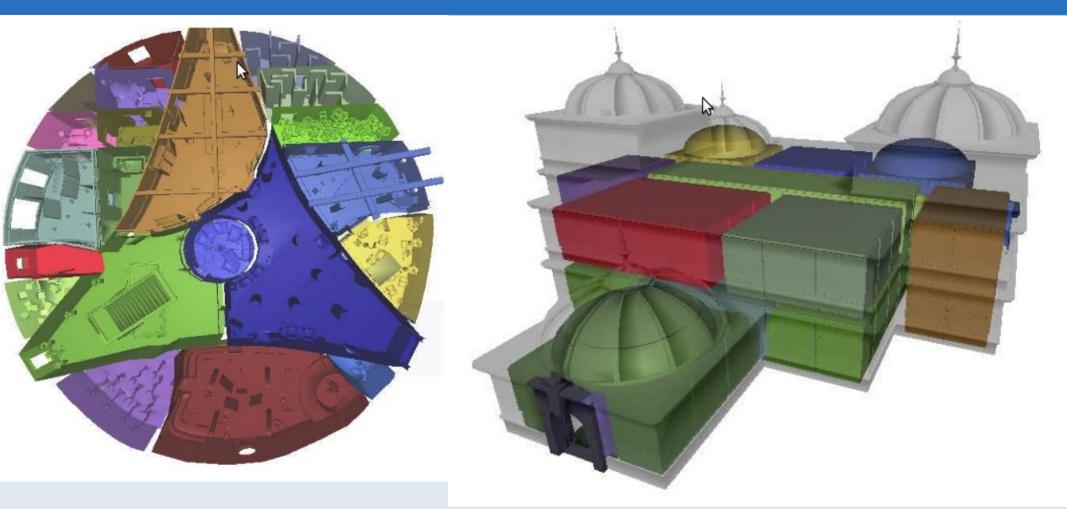


Project Description

Result:

- Environment segmented into rooms.
 - •User may apply labels, edit segmentation by hand.
- User may choose any two rooms from an exploded view and the system will visualize a road map describing the path between them.

Relevant Work



D. Haumont, O. Debeir, F. Sillion Volumetric cell-and-portal generation

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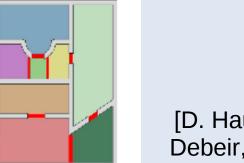


Niederauer, Houston, Agrawala, Humphreys Non-Invasive Interactive Visualization of Dynamic Architectural Environments

Technical Challenges Finding the optimal path between rooms

Identify rooms and connections between them.

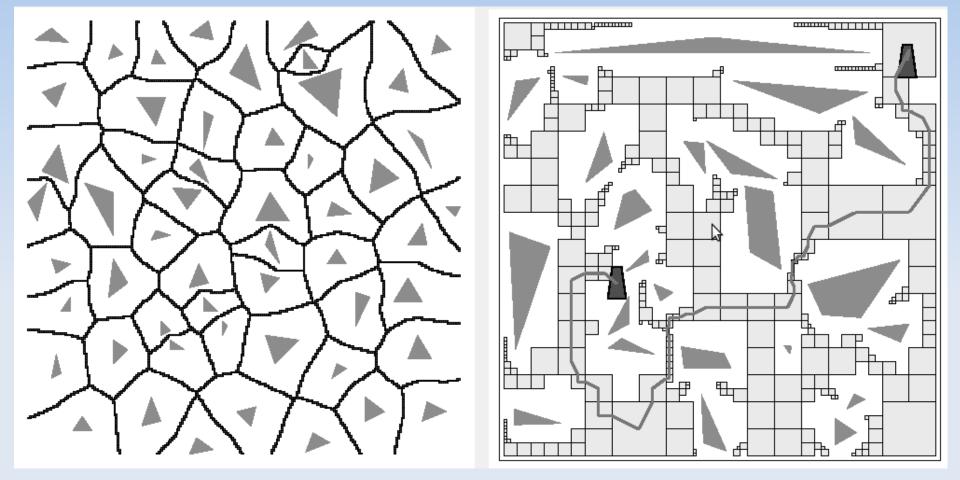




[D. Haumont, O. Debeir, F. Sillion]

Technical Challenges Finding the optimal path between rooms

Construct a 'nice' graph for creating roadmaps.



[Overmars et al.]

Technical Challenges Displaying the building and path in a single view such that the entire path is visible.

- Optimal camera placement
- Optimal explosion distance
- •Good use of transparency
- •Different line styles for a partially occluded path or for certain actions required at a point along the path.

Technical Challenges Finding the right combination of camera angle and visibility techniques

- Employ an optimization technique
 - Minimize path self-intersections in the 2D projection
 - •Make sure direction changes in 3D are mapped to similar angles in 2D.
 - •Minimize path occlusion.
 - •Minimize area of the whole visualization.

Progress

 Geometric analysis Room segmentation Road map extraction Display Floor segmentation Drawing style •Optimization: •Floor separation, camera placement, transparency



