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Voronoi Diagram

Construction

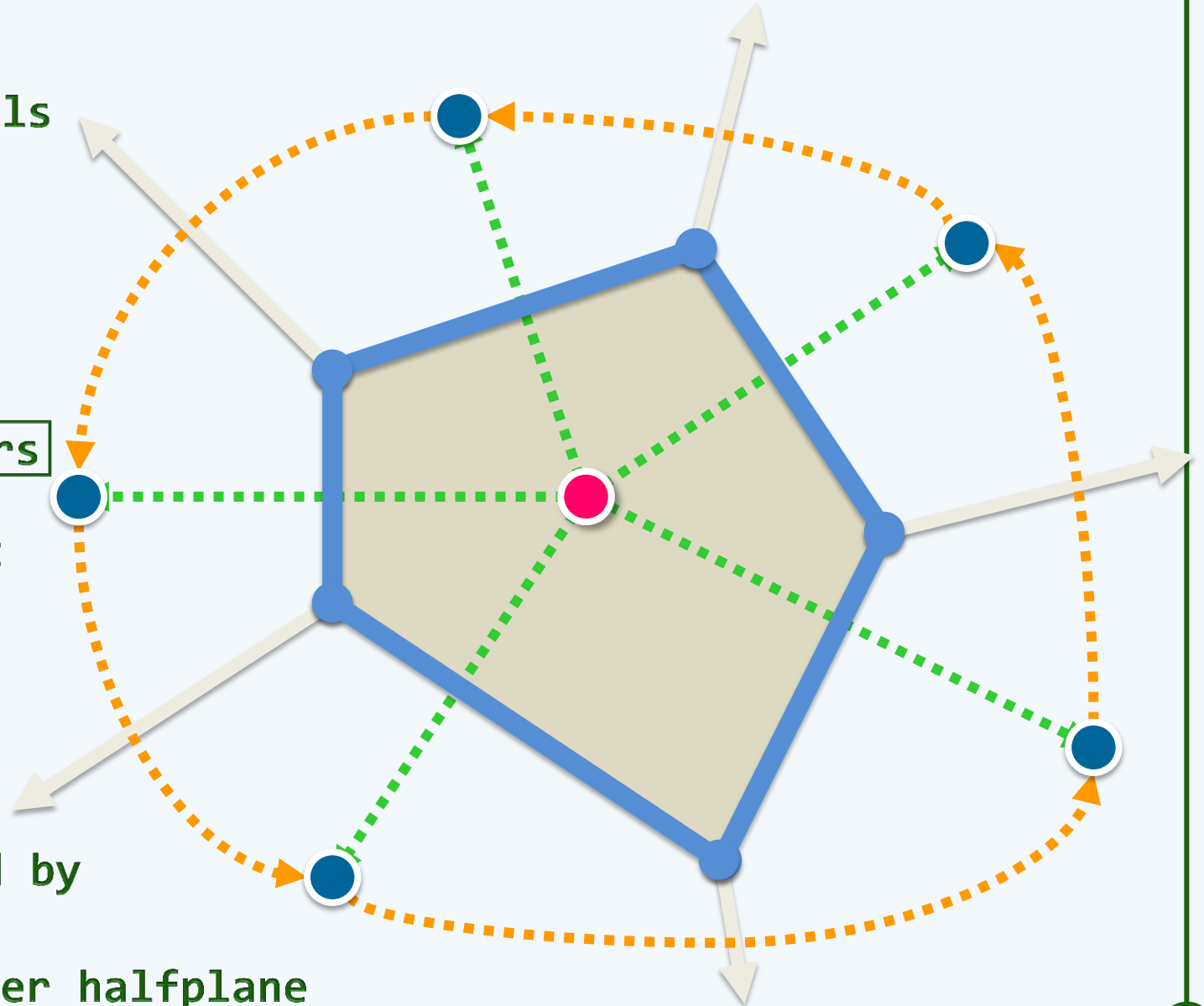
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Idea

- ❖ Compute all the Voronoi cells
one after another ...
- ❖ For each cell,
we introduce the **bisectors**
(potentially) defining it
in an incremental manner
- ❖ For each bisector,
the cell would be refined by
intersecting with a proper halfplane



Algorithm

❖ Initialize VD as an empty VD, represented as a list of Voronoi cells

For each $p \in S$

 initialize VC, the Voronoi Cell for p , as the entire plane

 for each $q \in P \setminus \{p\}$

 find $b(p, q)$ the bisector between p and q

 //let $h(p, q)$ be the halfspace bounded by $b(p, q)$ and containing p

 refine VC by intersecting it with $h(p, q)$

 append VC to VD

return(VD)

Complexity

- ❖ 1) each refinement iteration costs $O(n)$ time
 - 2) each cell needs $O(n)$ refinement iterations; and
 - 3) there are altogether $O(n)$ cells //It follows that ...
- ❖ The brute-force algorithm constructs a VD of n sites in $O(n^3)$ time
//this is far from the lower bound
- ❖ Using linear programming,
the brute-force algorithm constructs a VD of n sites
in $O(n^2 \log n)$ time //this is, however, just a small improvement