

Voronoi Diagram

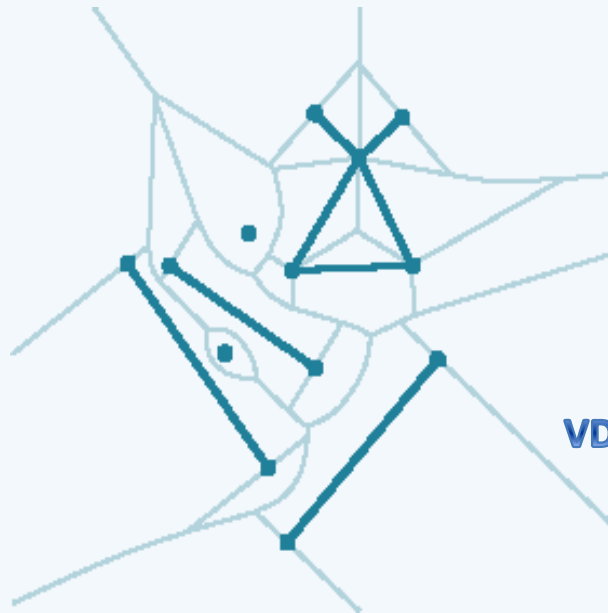
Variations

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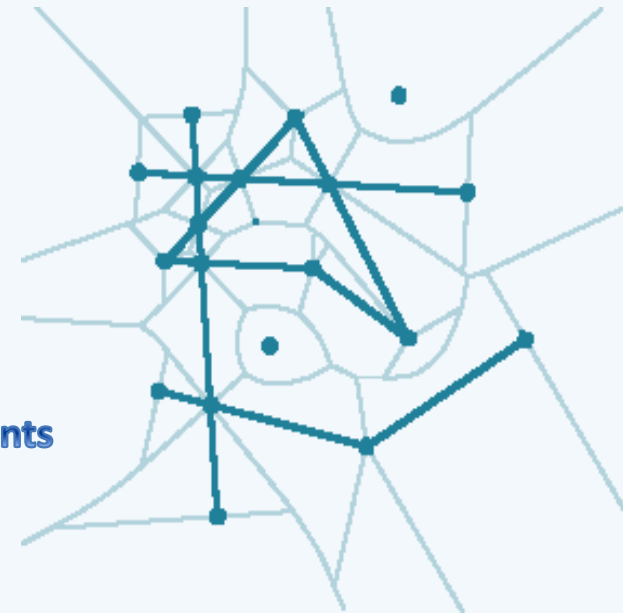
Geometric Primitives

- ❖ Construct $\text{Vor}(S)$ for S a set of geometric primitives of different **dimensions** and **shapes**:
points, segments, rays, lines, arcs,
solid volumes (e.g. polygons, disks), ...



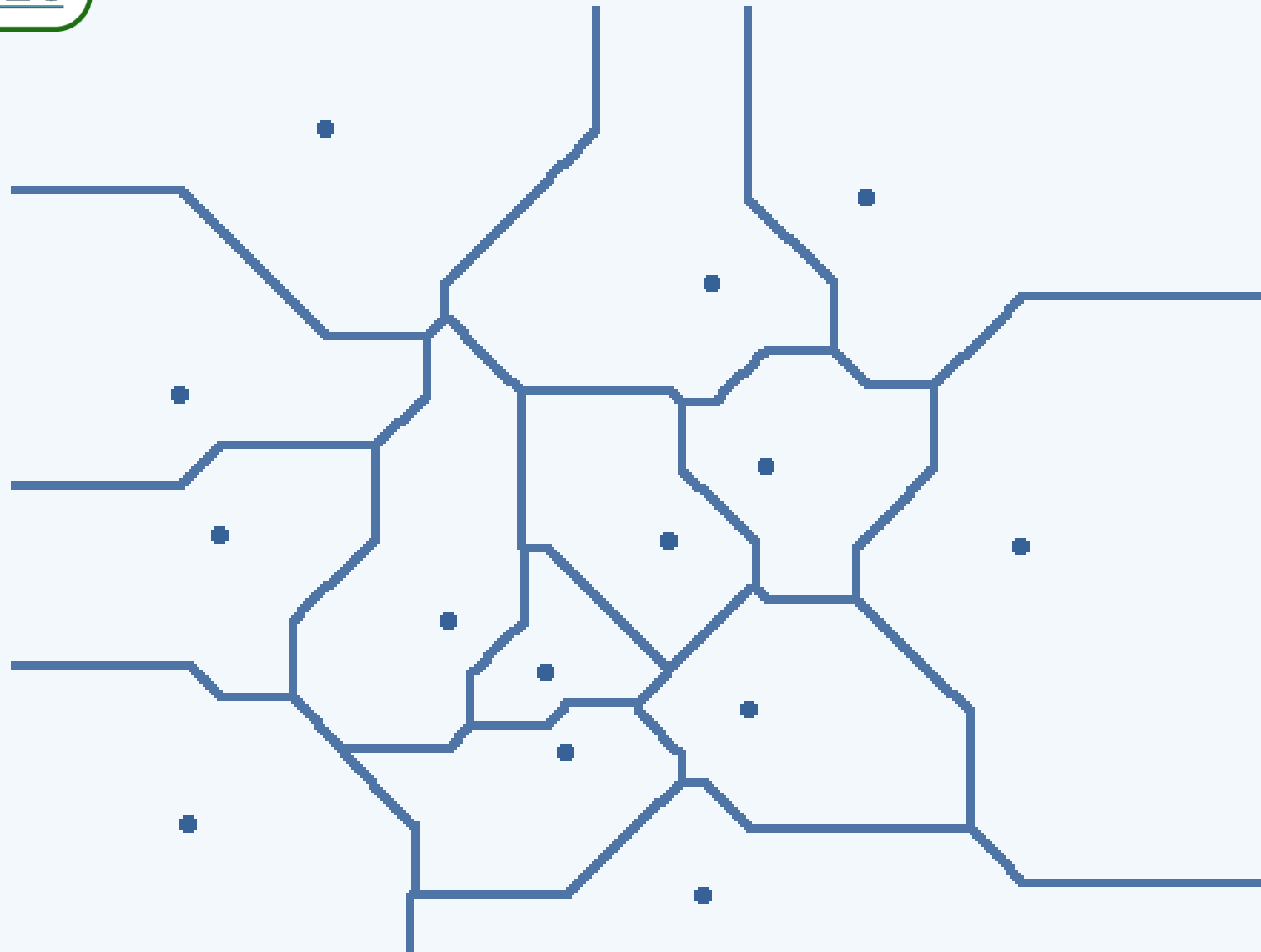
weakly intersecting sites

VD of 2 points and 8 segments



strongly intersecting sites

L_k -Metric



Voronoi diagram of 14 points in L1-metric

Higher-Order Voronoi Diagrams

❖ Let S be a set of n sites in the plane

❖ For an integer k , $1 \leq k < n$,

the k^{th} -order VD of S is a partition of the plane

into (connected) cells s. t.

any point within a fixed cell has the same k closest sites

// The 1st-order Voronoi diagram is the normal Voronoi diagram

❖ The maximum complexity of the k^{th} -order VD of n sites in the plane

is $\Theta(k*(n-k))$

Higher-Order Voronoi Diagrams

❖ The currently best algorithm for constructing 2-D k^{th} -order VD is [Be97]

❖ [de Berg et al]

The k^{th} -order VD of n sites in the plane can be constructed

in $O(n \log^3 n + k(n-k))$ time

❖ M. de Berg et. al.

Computational Geometry: Algorithms and Applications

Springer-Verlag, Germany, 1997

❖ What is the lower bound

for constructing k^{th} -order VD (in the plane or \mathcal{E}^d)?

// TTBOMK, remains open ...

Furthest Point Voronoi Diagrams (FPVD)

- ❖ The $(n-1)$ -order VD is also called the furthest point Voronoi diagram
- ❖ A site of S has a non-empty cell in FPVD iff it lies on $CH(S)$
- ❖ The FPVD of a set of n points can be computed in $O(n \log n)$ time



The FPVD of 12 points consists of 5 cells, each for an EP

Minimum Enclosing Circle

❖ One of the applications of FPVD is to construct the MEC

❖ [MEC] // also known as the 1-circle problem

Find the minimum circle s.t. no point of S lies exterior to the circle

❖ [Bhattacharya & Toussaint, 1985]

The MEC of a set of n points in \mathcal{E}^2 can be constructed in $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ time

❖ Note that the brute-force MEC algorithm runs in $\mathcal{O}(n^4)$ time

❖ On the other hand, however,

Seidel presented an optimal and easy-to-implement MEC algorithm

❖ [Seidel, 1990]

The MEC of a set of n points in \mathcal{E}^2 can be constructed in $\mathcal{O}(n)$ time!

Minimum Enclosing Circle

❖ Algorithm ConstructMECbyFPVD() //Bhattacharya & Toussaint

 Compute CH(P), the convex hull of the P: CH(P) // $O(n \log n)$

 Compute diam(CH(P)), the diameter of CH(P) // $O(n)$

 If diam(CH(P)) defines the MEC then exit with the MEC // $O(n)$

 Compute FPVD(P), the FPVD of the point set // $O(n \log n)$

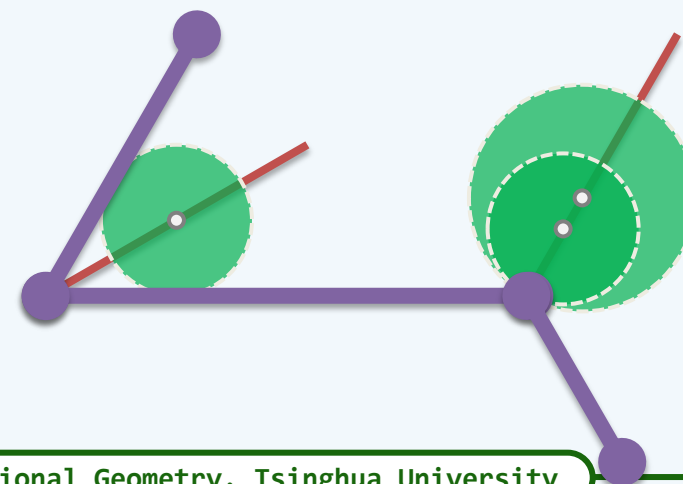
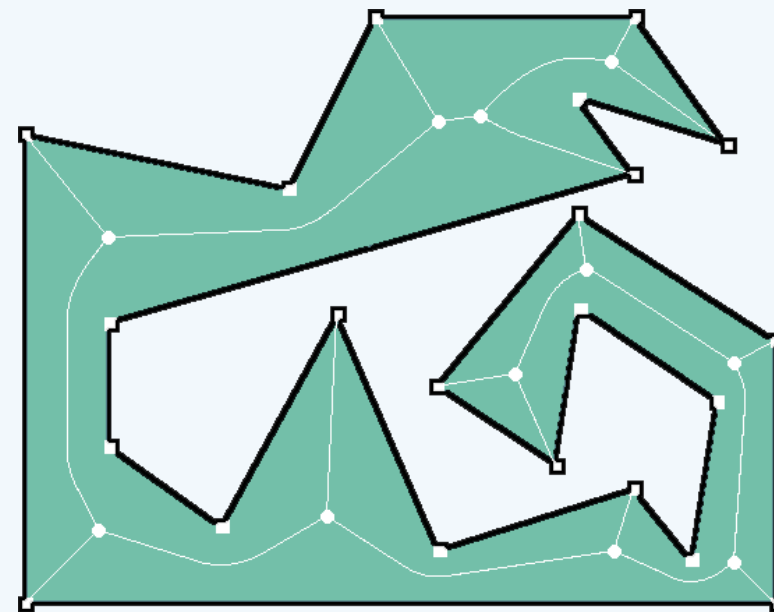
 For every vertex in FPVD(P) // $O(n)$

 check the spanning circle, and

 exit with the smallest such circle found

Skeleton & Medial Axis

- ❖ A disc (or ball) B is said to be maximal in a set A if
 - $B \subseteq A$ and
 - another disc D contains B only if $D \not\subseteq A$
- ❖ The skeleton of a shape A is the set
 - of centers of all maximal discs in A ,
or equivalently,
 - of centers of the discs that touch the ∂A in two or more points



Medial Axis Algorithms

❖ [1982, D. T. Lee]

The medial axis of an n -gon can be constructed in $O(n \log n)$ time

❖ [1989, A. Aggarwal et al]

The medial axis of a convex polygon can be constructed in linear time

❖ [1992, O. Devillers]

A randomized algorithm constructs the medial axis of an n -gon

in $O(n \log^* n)$ time

❖ [1995, F. Chin et al]

The medial axis of an n -gon can be constructed in $O(n)$ time

VD of Subsets

❖ [B. Chazelle, 2002]

Splitting a Delaunay triangulation in linear time,

Algorithmica, 34(1): 39-46

❖ Given $VD(P)$ of P a planar set of n points,

for any subset S of P , $VD(S)$ can be computed

in expected linear time

❖ Given S and T two planar point sets,

if $VD(S + T)$ is known, then

both $VD(S)$ and $VD(T)$ can be computed

in expected linear time