

# **6.Computational Geometry**

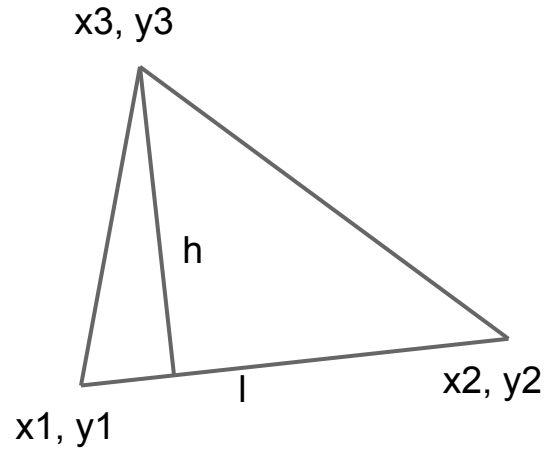
# Computational Geometry

1. Useful for imaging, games etc.
2. Fundamental algorithms
3. Often solution ideas are simple
4. Not easy to implement
  - a. arithmetic errors
  - b. many awkward edge cases

# Polygon Area

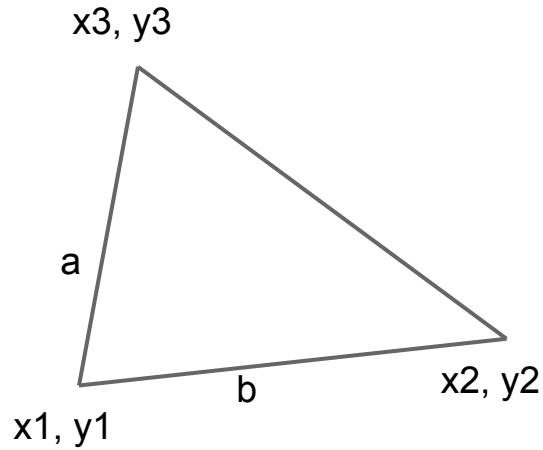
Given a set of points representing the vertices of a polygon, find its area.

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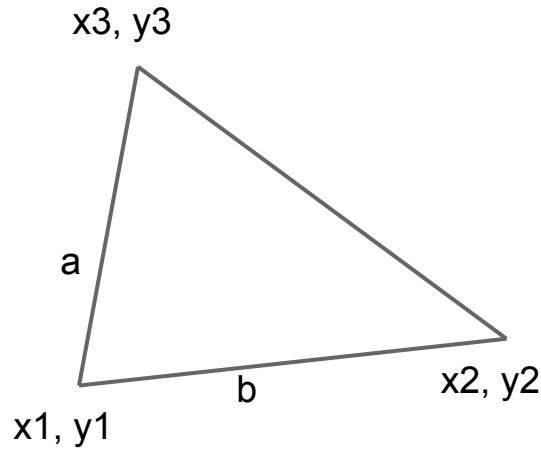
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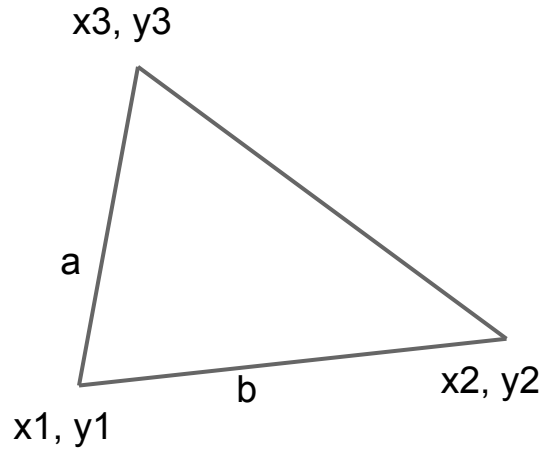
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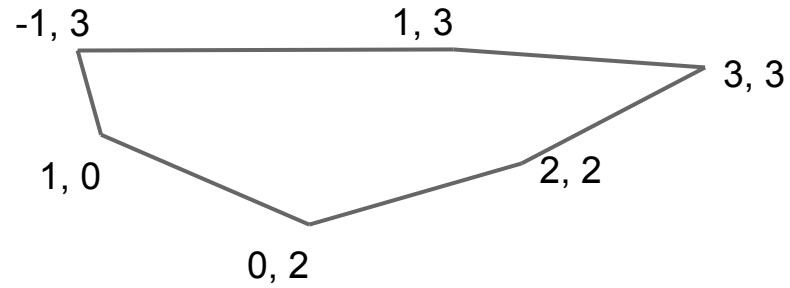
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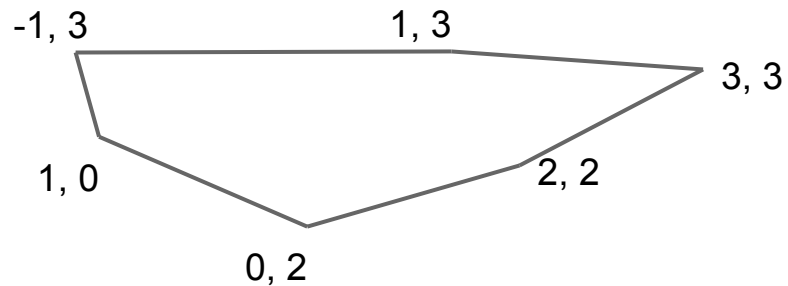
Easiest to use  
when given  
coordinates

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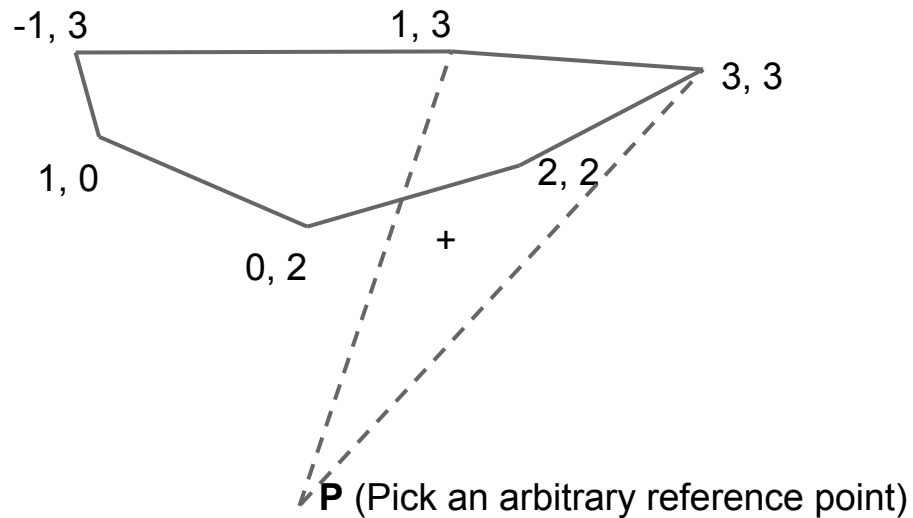


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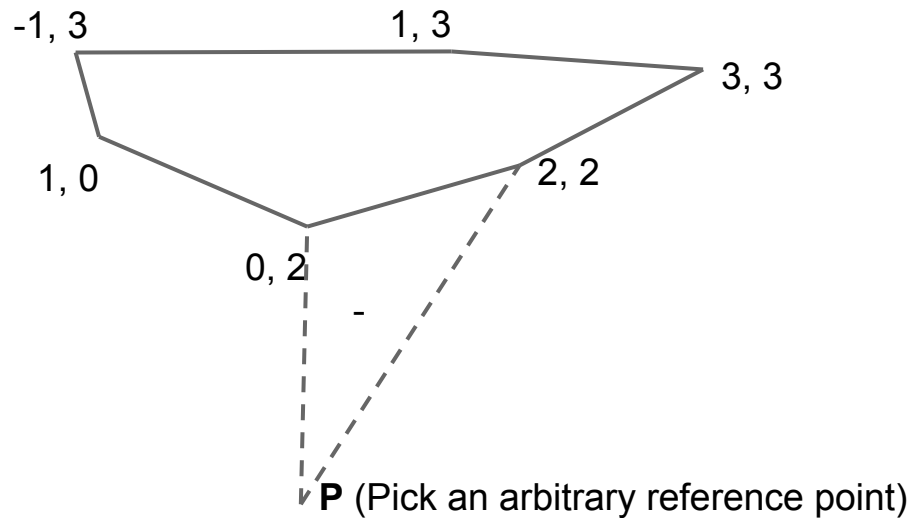


**P** (Pick an arbitrary reference point)

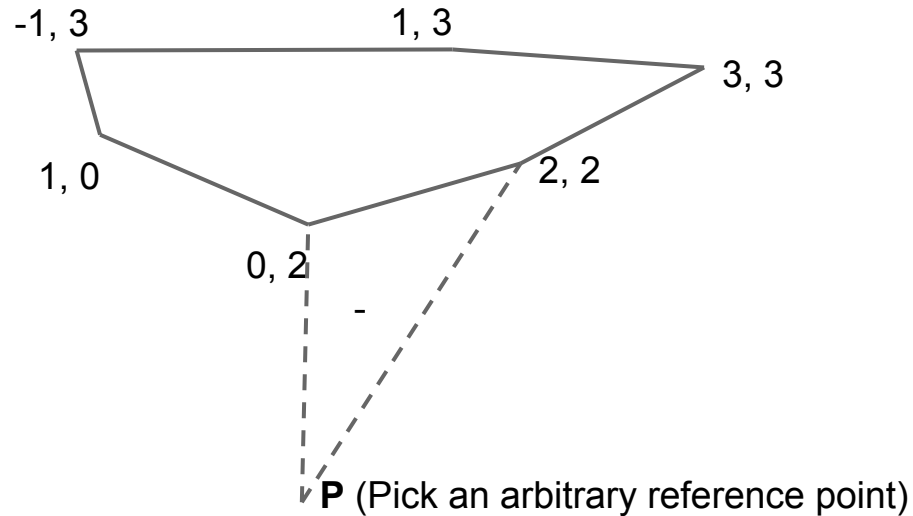
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1. Pick reference Point ( $P = 0, 0$ )
2. Traverse points trigonometrically
3. Sum up signed areas
  - a.  $A += x_1*y_2 - x_2*y_1;$
4. Done!

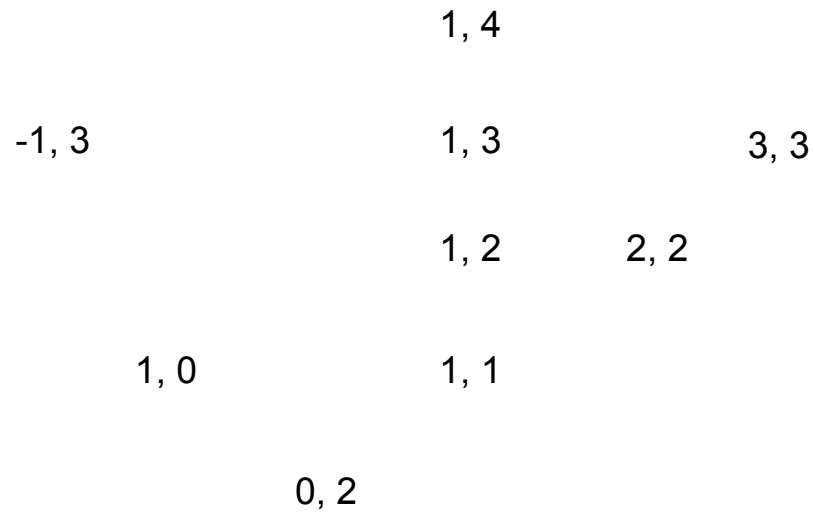
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1. Keep it Simple!
  - a. Use determinant formula
  
2. Double precision may not be enough
  - a. Use long double or BigDecimal

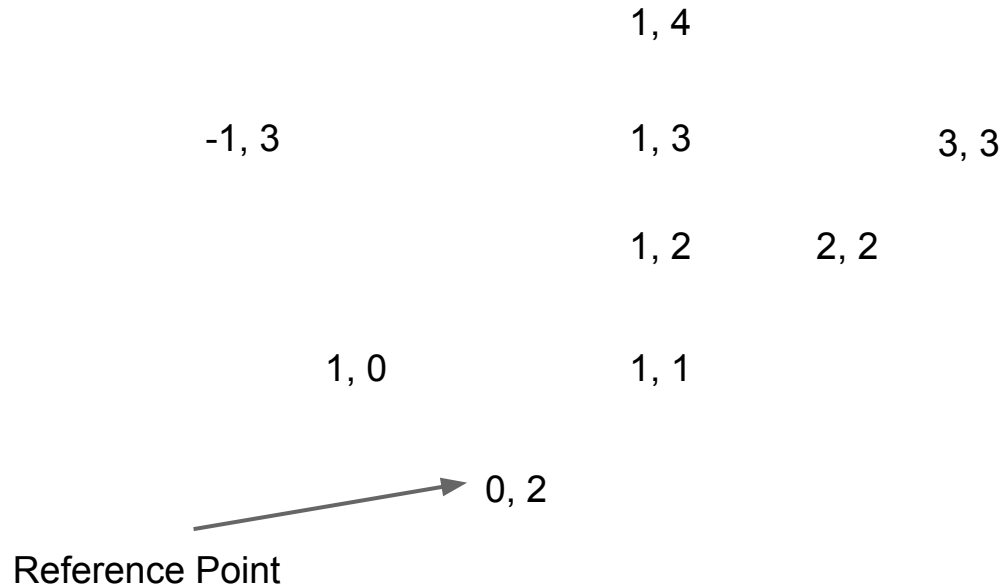
# Convex Hull

Given a set of points find the smallest area polygon that contains all points.

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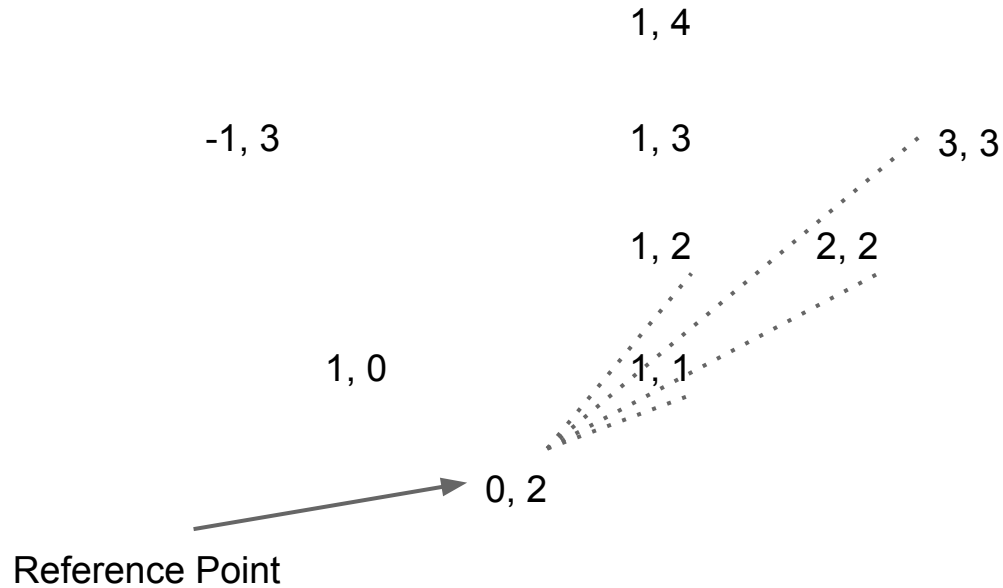


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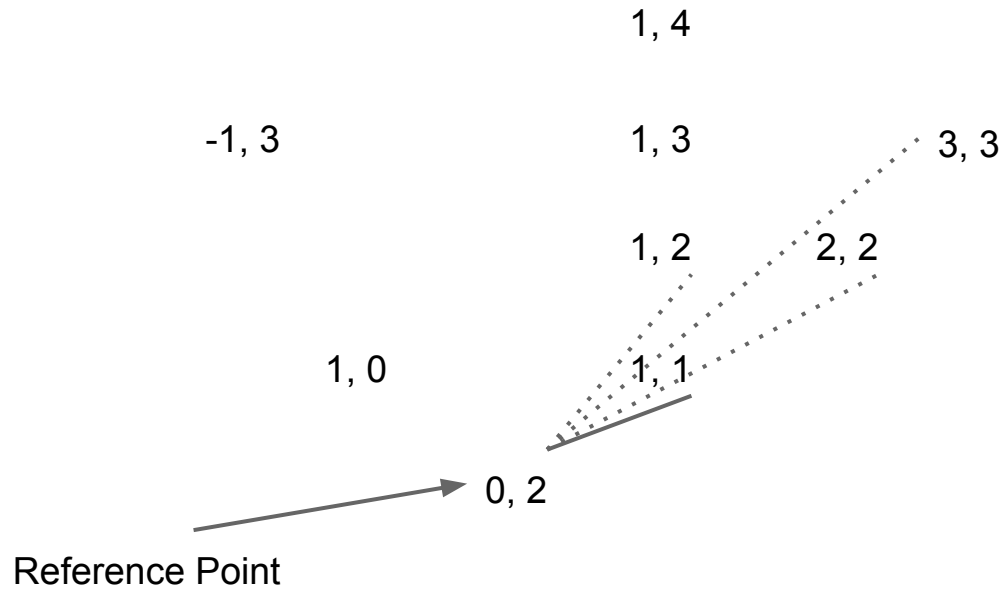




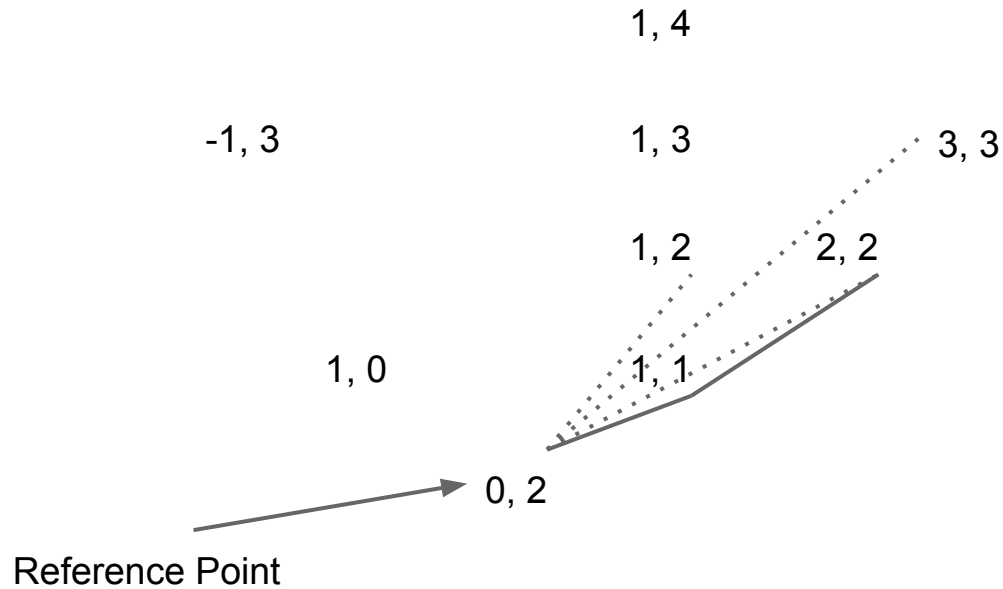
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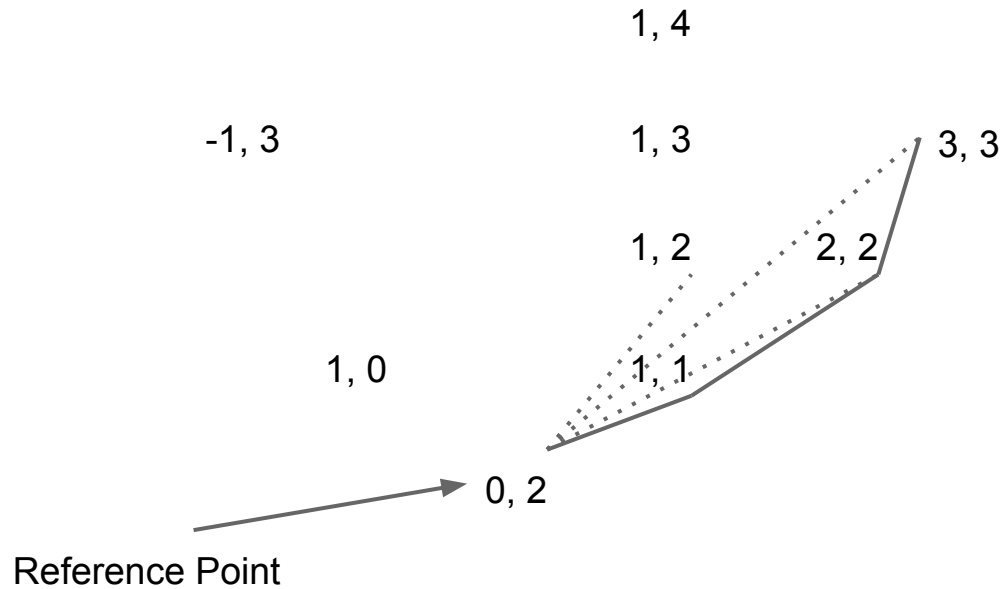
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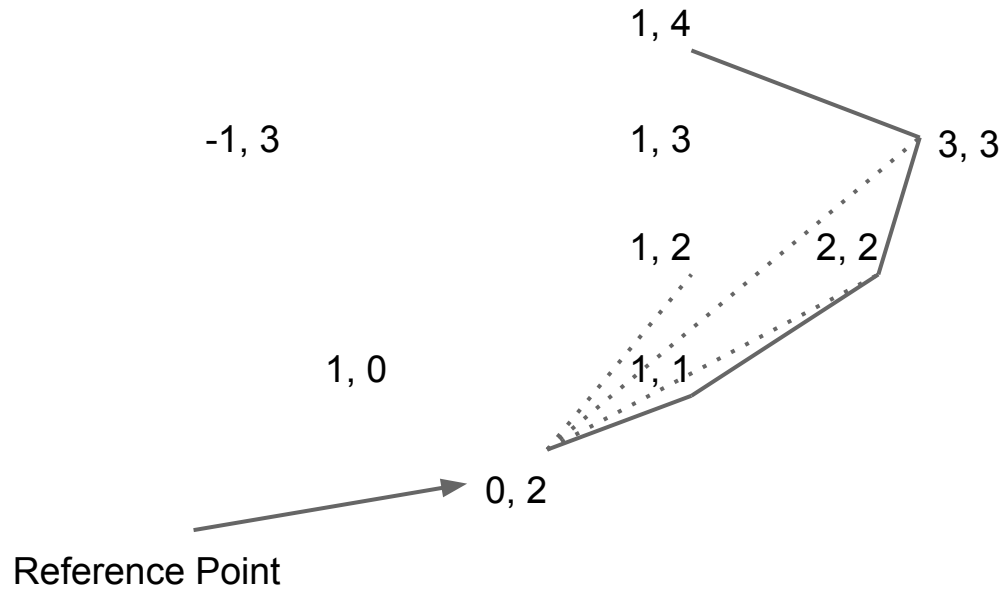
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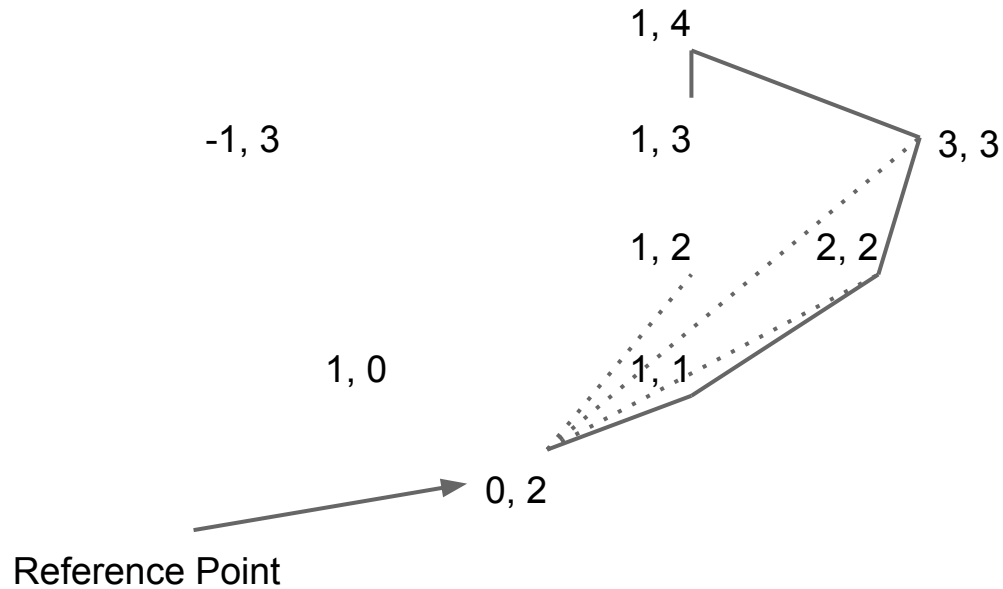
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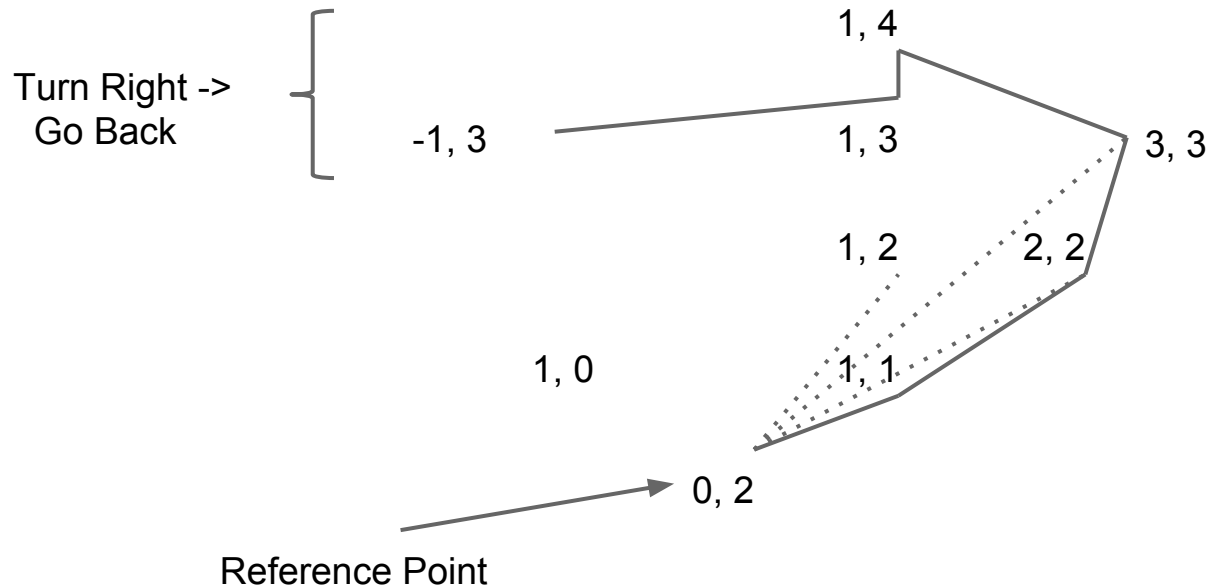
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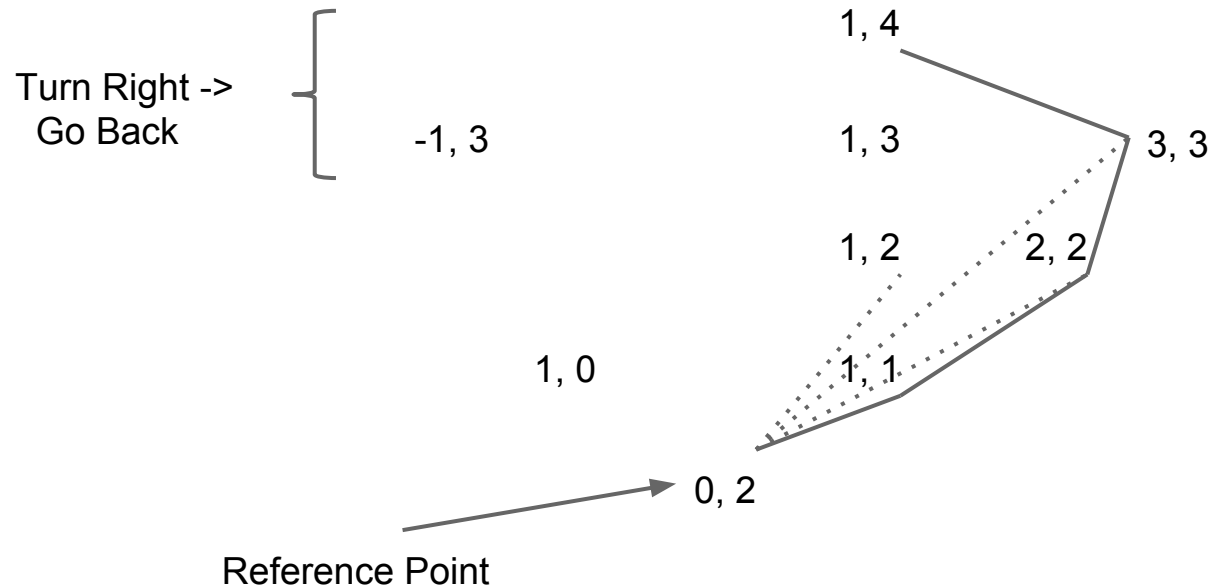
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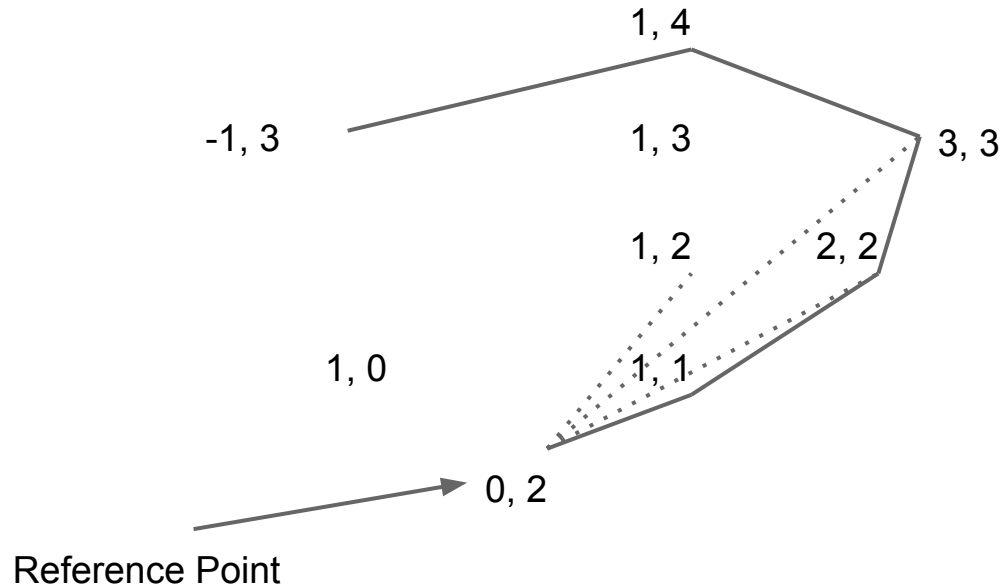


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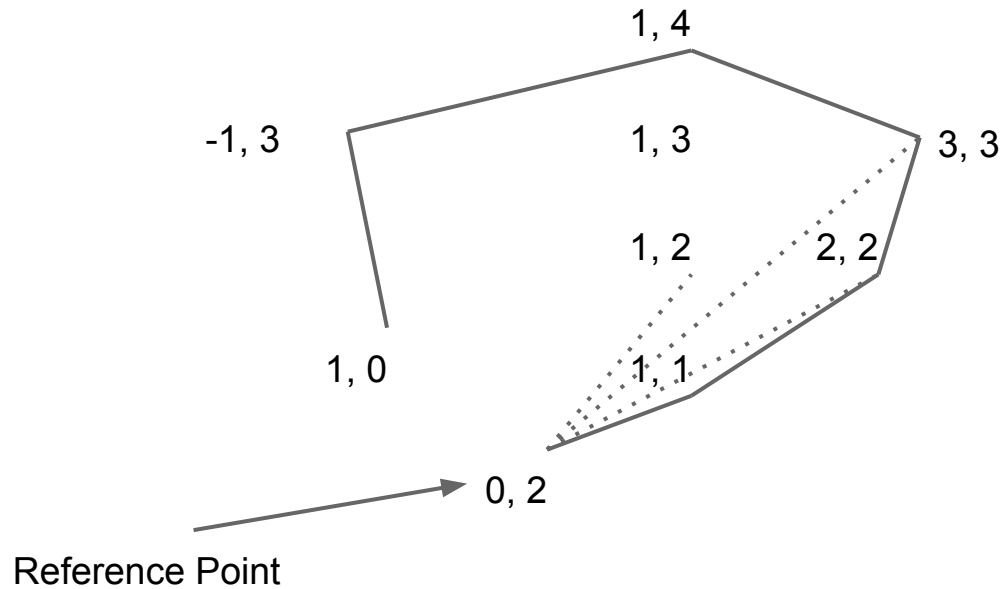




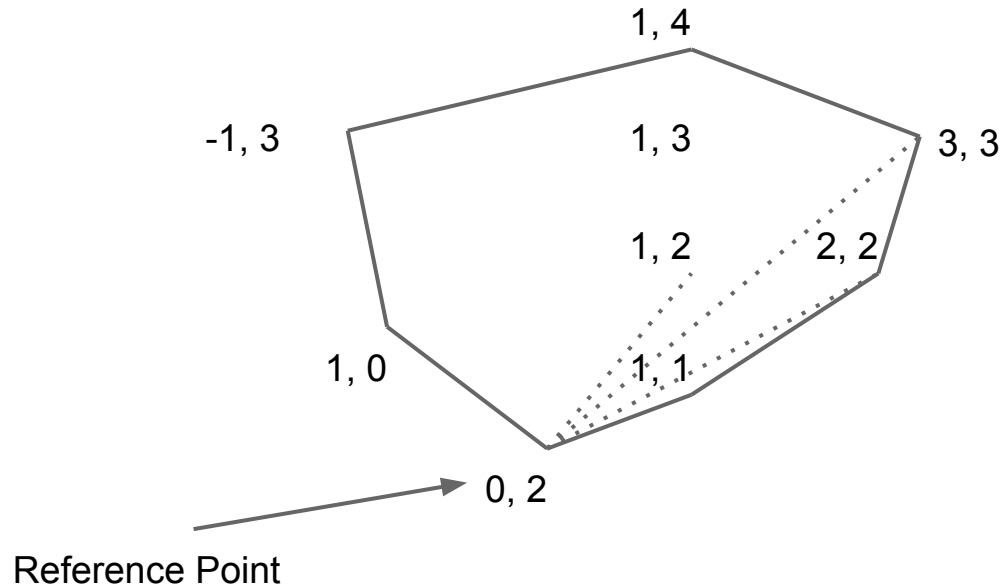
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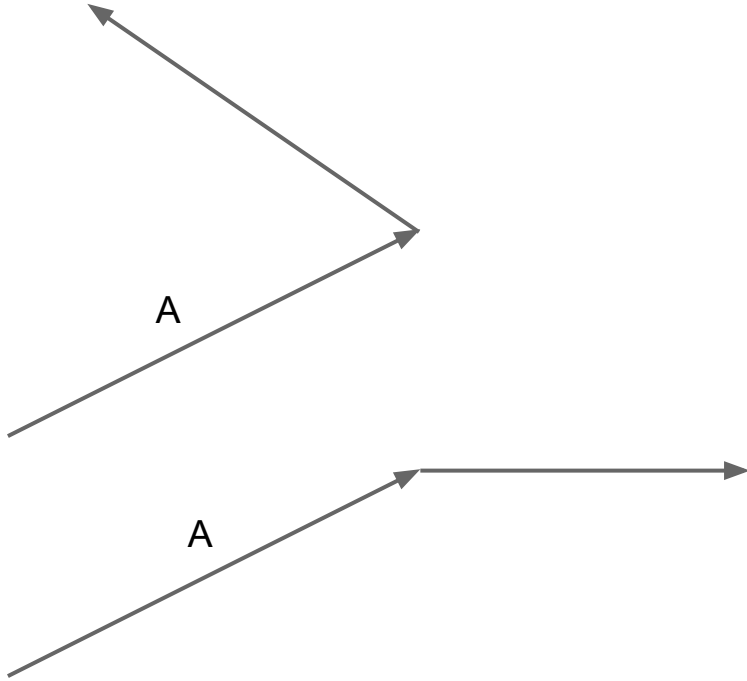
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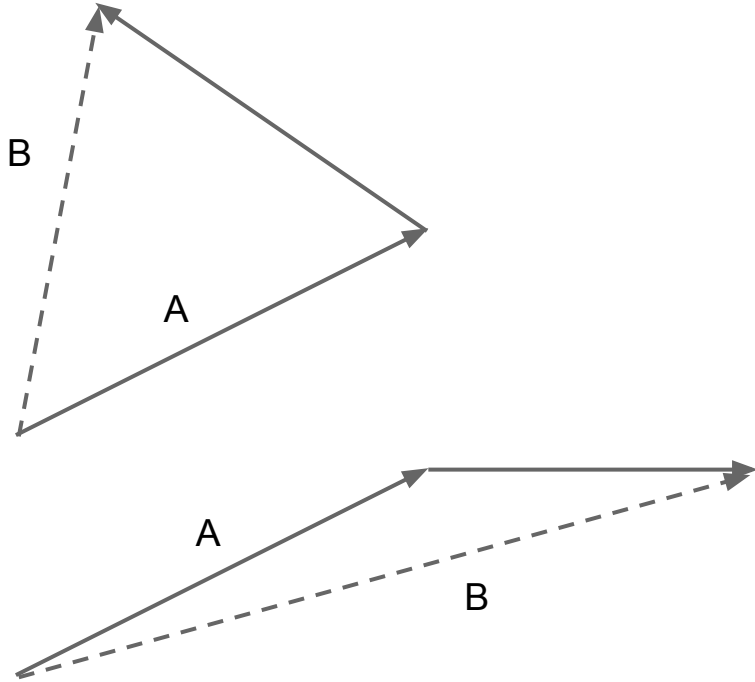
# Graham Scan

1. Start with lowest point
2. Sort all points according to the angle they make with this point
3. Traverse points in angle order
  - a. keep a list of current points in the hull
  - b. add point to list if “left turn”
  - c. remove points until a “left turn” is possible

# Graham Scan: Find Direction



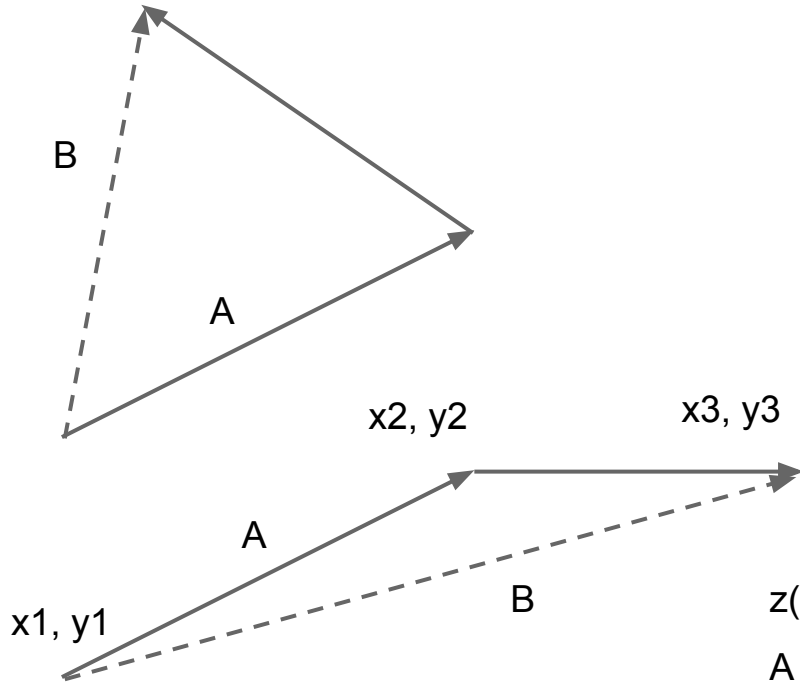
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$$z((u_1, u_2, u_3) \times (v_1, v_2, v_3)) = u_1v_2 - u_2v_1$$

$$A = (x_2 - x_1, y_2 - y_1, 0), B = (x_3 - x_1, y_3 - y_1, 0)$$

$$\Rightarrow z(A \times B) = (x_2 - x_1)(y_3 - y_1) - (x_3 - x_1)(y_2 - y_1)$$

**Questions?**