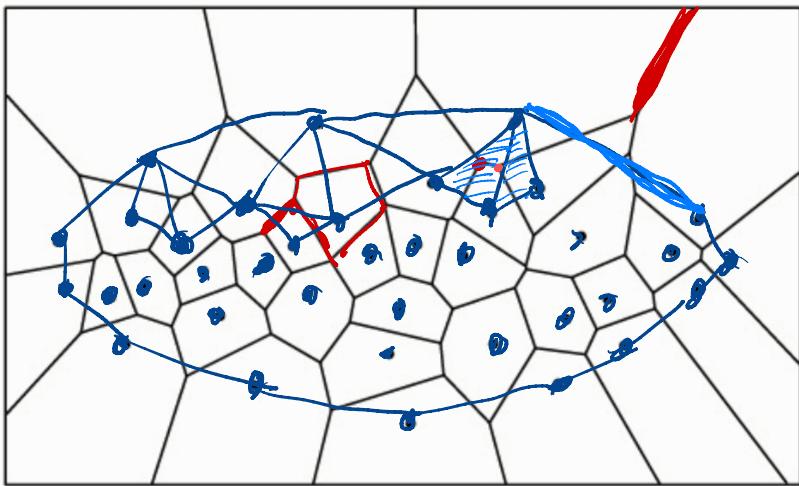


# Delaunay Star (Props)

Delaunay as dual of Voronoi:

- for each face of the voronoi diagram create a vertex (located at center of face)
- for each edge of the voronoi between sites  $p_i, p_j$  at input site add edge connecting the "dual verts"
- for each vertex of the voronoi add a face in the dual

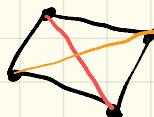


(Gp assumption no more than 3 sites are cocircular)

$\Rightarrow$  Voronoi verts are deg 3

$\Rightarrow$  any face in the dual is a triangle

Result is the Delaunay Star



Props:

- convex hull: boundary of exterior faces of Voronoi diagram  
is convex hull of pointset
- Circumcircle prop: Circumcircle of any  $\Delta$  in the Delaunay diagram is empty of sites from  $P$

If

circle's center is a voronoi vertex

$\Rightarrow$  3 sites defining the vertex

& 3 sites are nearest neighbor

- Empty circle prop:

2 sites  $p_i, p_j$  connected by an edge in Delaunay

$\Leftrightarrow$  empty circle through  $p_i$  and  $p_j$

If (situation)

$p_i, p_j$  are in Delaunay

$\Rightarrow$  cells are neighbors in  $\text{Var}(P)$

$\Rightarrow$  any point on the edge in  $\text{Var}$

is the center of a circle passing through  $p_i$  and  $p_j$   
and empty of points in  $P$

- Closest pair

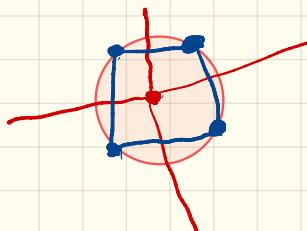
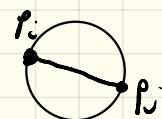
suppose  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  are the closest pair in  $P$

$\Rightarrow$  circle w/  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  w/  $p_i, p_j$  as diameter

$\Rightarrow$  circle cannot contain any other sites from  $P$

$\Rightarrow$  center of the circle is on a voronoi edge

$\Rightarrow p_i$  and  $p_j$  are neighbors in Delaunay



Size

Given  $n$  points in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $h$  verts on the convex hull  
Rel( $P$ ) has:

- $n$  verts
  - $2n - 2 - h$   $\Delta s$
  - $3n - 3 - h$  edges
- use euler's formula  
 $v - e + f = 2$  (for planar graph)

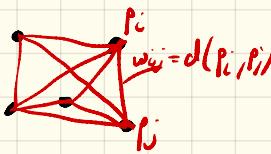
Higher dim:

3d tetrahedra size can be from  $O(n)$  to  $O(n^2)$   
in dim  $d$  # of simp can  $O(n^{\frac{d+1}{2}})$

## Min Spanning tree (MST)

Given  $n$  points in the plane

Euclidean graph is a graph w/  $V$  (vertex set) are our points



$E$  (edge set) are all  $\binom{n}{2}$  pairs of points

w/ weight as the Euclidean dist between  $p_i, p_j$  (for edge  $(p_i, p_j)$ )

MST: is a set of  $n-1$  edges

connecting verts w/ min total weight

Version 1: Kruskal's algo

$n^2$  edges

$\Rightarrow O(n^2 \lg n)$  time (for edge sort)

In the plane we can do better

- Compute Delaunay (via Fortune and take dual) -  $O(n \lg n)$  time
- Run Kruskal's algo on edges of Delaunay -  $O(n \lg n)$

Theorem  $MST \subseteq DT$  (true in any dim)

pf Let  $T$  MST of  $P$

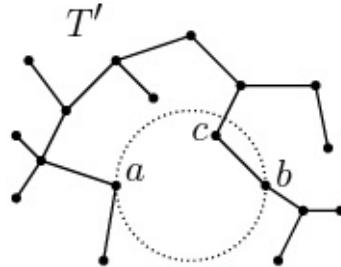
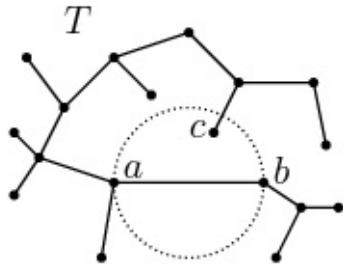
let  $w(T)$  be the weight of  $T$

pf by contradiction

Suppose an edge  $ab$  that is in  $T$  but not  $DT$

$\Rightarrow$  no empty circle through  $ab$

$\Rightarrow$  point  $c$  in the diametric circle of  $ab$



- remove  $ab$  from  $T$  split tree into 2 trees

- wlog assume that  $c$  is in the tree w/  $a$

- remove  $ab$  from MST and add  $bc$

- result is a spanning tree  $T'$  w/ weight

$$w(T') = w(T) + \boxed{\delta(b,c) - \delta(a,b)} < w(T)$$

$\Rightarrow T$  was MST

because  $c$  was  
in diametric circle

$$\text{of } ab \quad \delta(b,c) < \delta(a,b)$$

Max angle & flipping

Delaunay maximizes the min angle over all DTangs

Def angle seq  $(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_m)$

as increasing seq of angles in a DTang

Th among all DTangs of a planar point set

Del DTang has the lexicographically largest & seq  
 $\Rightarrow$  max min  $\angle$

Some geometric facts

Consider circumcircle of 3 points  
for an angle of  $\Delta$

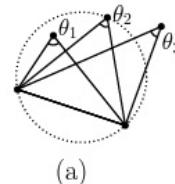
consider angle subtended by point  
w/ other two verts w/ minor arc



PF  $\Delta$  fails the empty circle prop  
we can perform an edge flip  
and increase lex seq or  $\angle$ s



$$\theta_1 > \theta_2 > \theta_3$$



Suppose  $\Delta$  pair violates the empty circle prop  
 $\Rightarrow$  for  $\Delta abc$  if  $d$  in the circumcircle of  $\Delta abc$   
 $\Rightarrow b$  in the circumcircle of  $\Delta abd$

If we flip the resulting  $\Delta$  are  $\Delta abd$  and  $\Delta bcd$   
and new  $\Delta$ s are empty

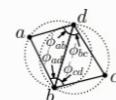
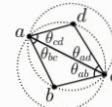
Observe

$$\phi_{ab} > \theta_{ab}$$

$$\phi_{cd} > \theta_{cd}$$

$$\phi_{bc} > \theta_{bc}$$

$$\phi_{ad} > \theta_{ad}$$



Only a finite # of Actions  
process terminates w/ last max Action  
& Action satisfies empty circle prop  $\Rightarrow$  Del Action