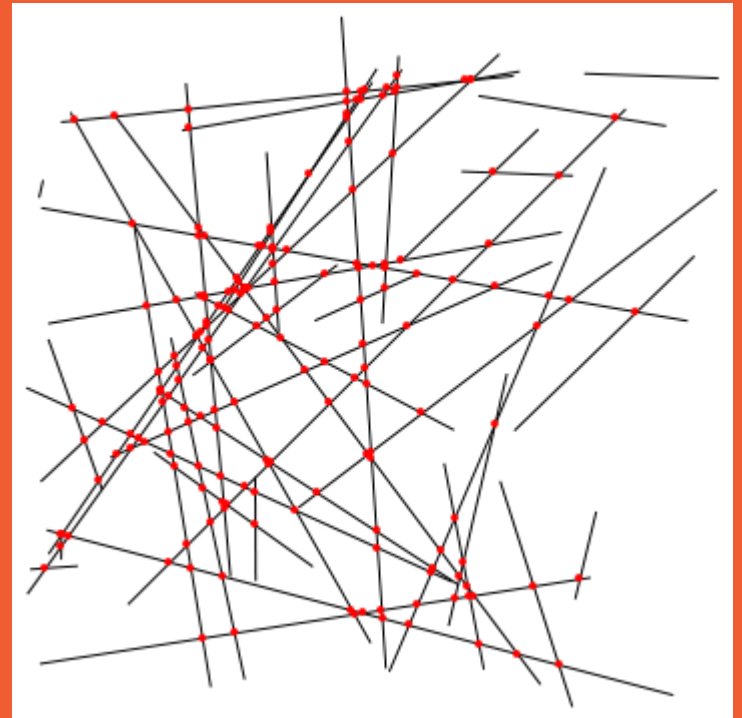


Lecture 5: Sweepline technique (and computational geometry)



General techniques in this course

- › Greedy algorithms [Lecture 3]
- › Divide & Conquer algorithms [Lecture 4]
- › Sweepline algorithms [today]
- › Dynamic programming algorithms [4 and 11 Sep]
- › Network flow algorithms [18 Sep and 9 oct]

Depth of interval

Segment Intersection

Convex Hull using Sweepline

Closest Pair using Sweepline

Visibility

What is computational geometry?

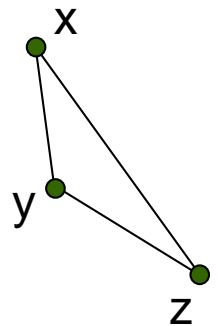
The study of algorithms to solve problems stated in terms of geometry.

The problems we study in this lecture are defined in a **metric space**!

For **every two points x and y in the metric space**, there is a function **$g(x,y) \geq 0$ which gives the distance between them as a nonnegative real number**. A metric space must also satisfy

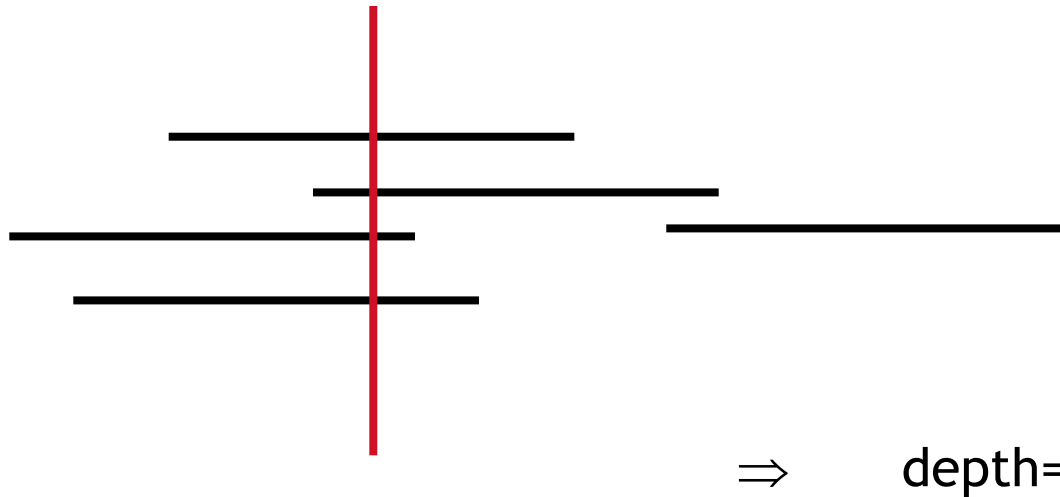
1. **$g(x,y) = 0$ iff $x = y$,**
2. **$g(x,y) = g(y,x)$, and**
3. **the triangle inequality must hold $g(x,y) + g(y,z) \geq g(x,z)$.**

We will consider the Euclidean metric (L_2 -metric).



Given a set S of n intervals (in 1D) compute the depth of S .

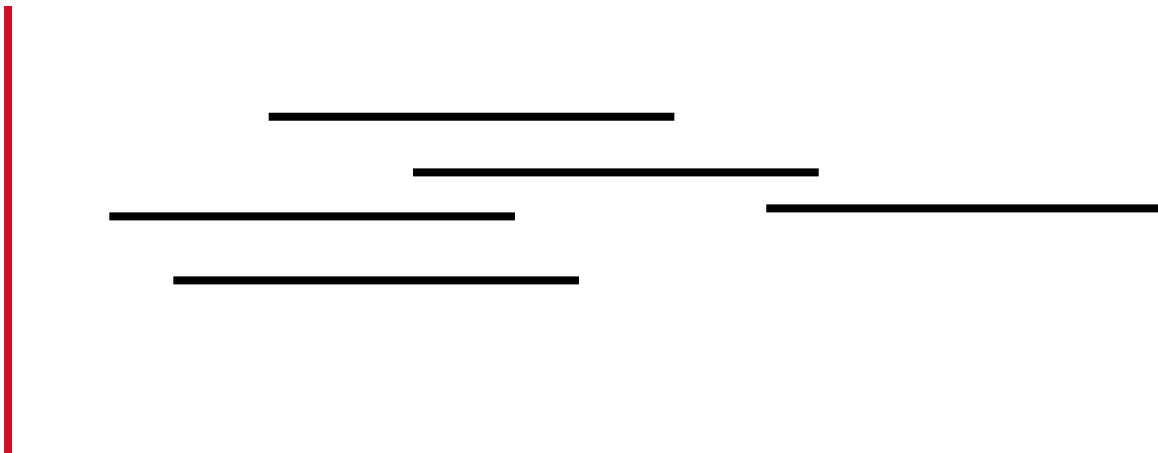
The **depth** of S is the maximum number of intervals passing over any point.



Compute the depth using sweep-line, done in $O(n \log n)$.

How can we compute the depth?

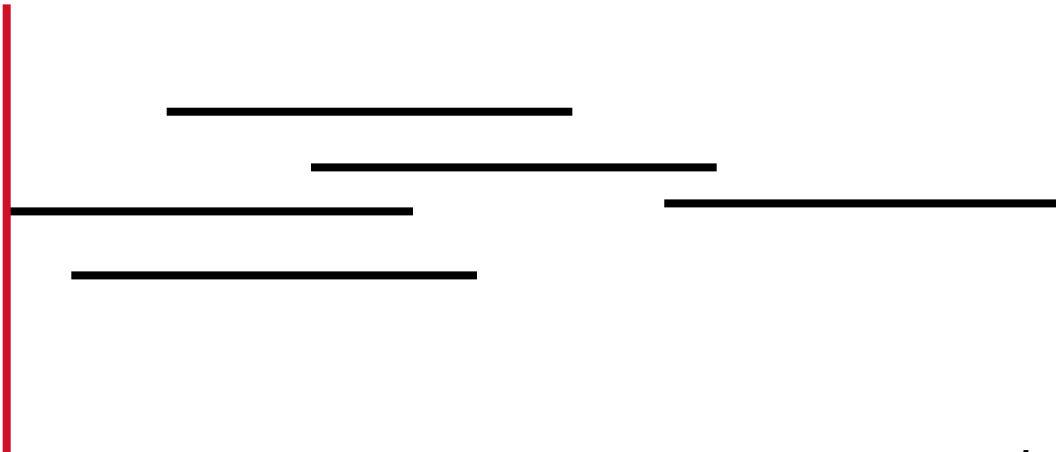
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depth = 1

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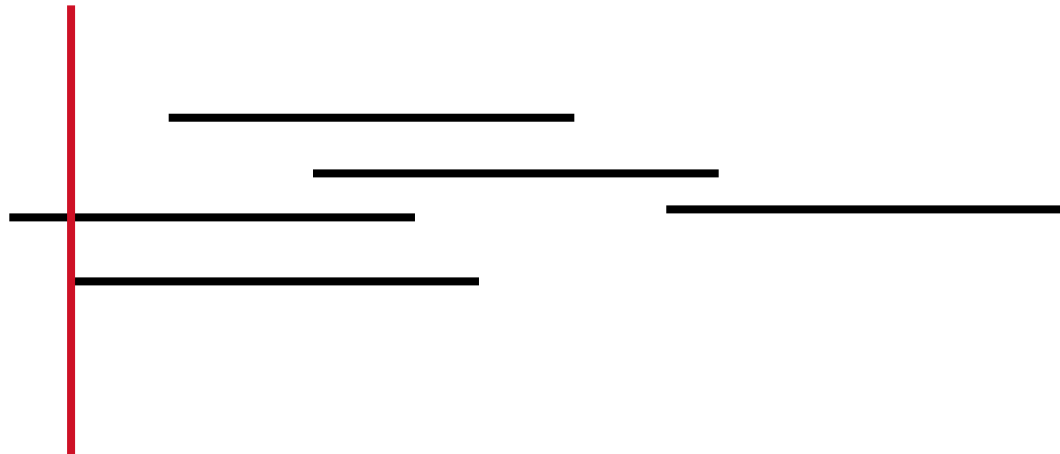
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depth = 2

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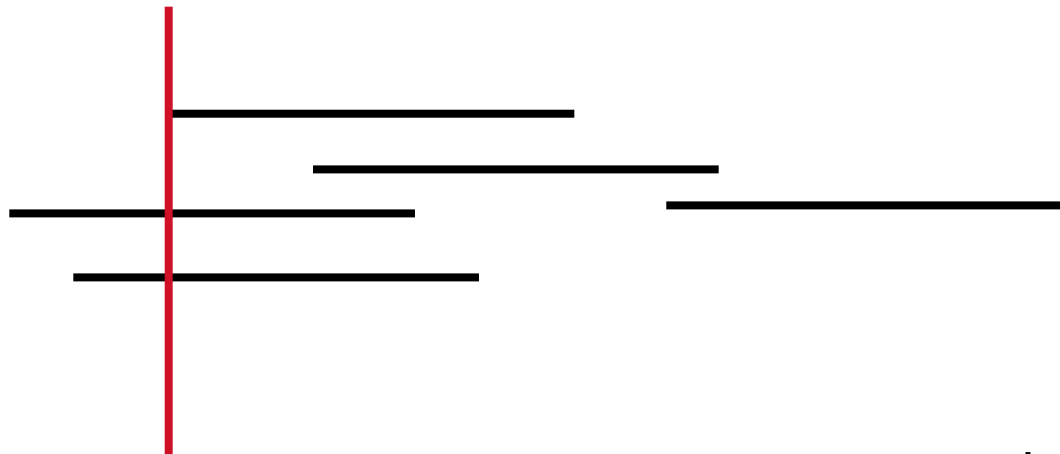
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depth = 3

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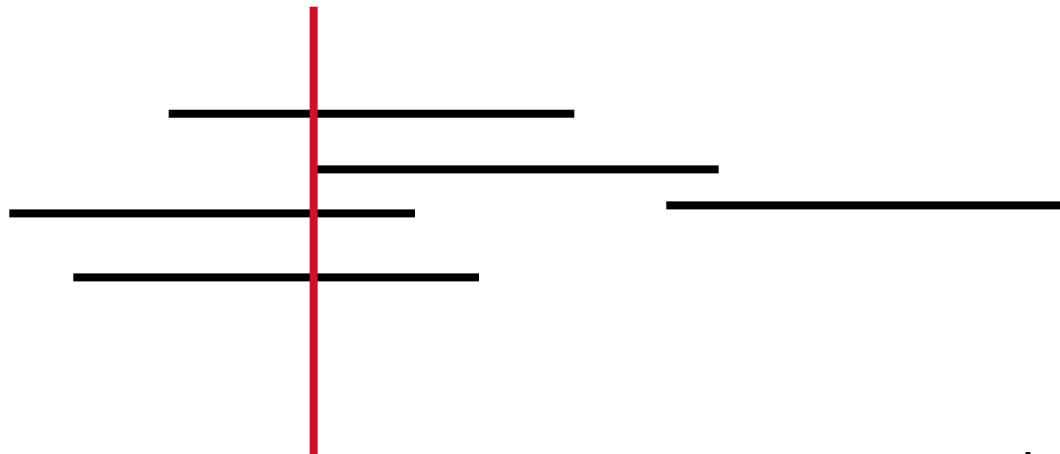
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depth = 4

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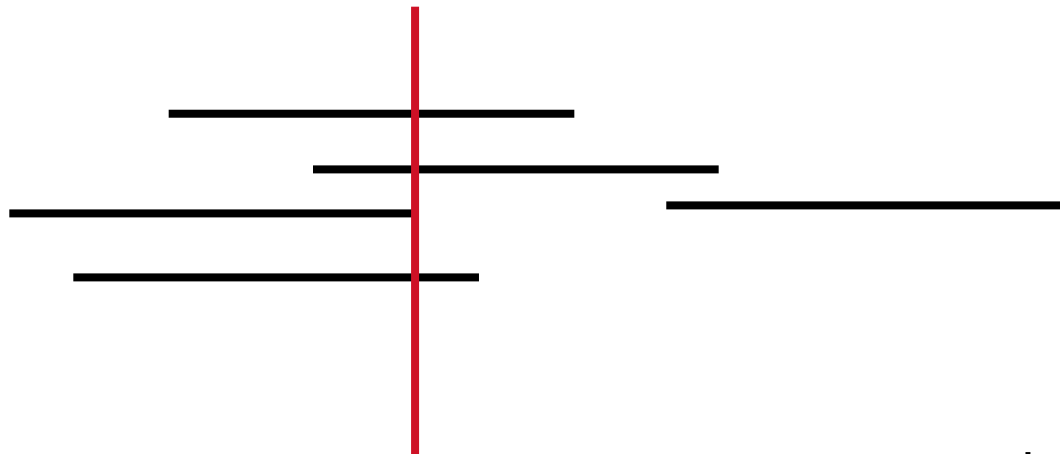
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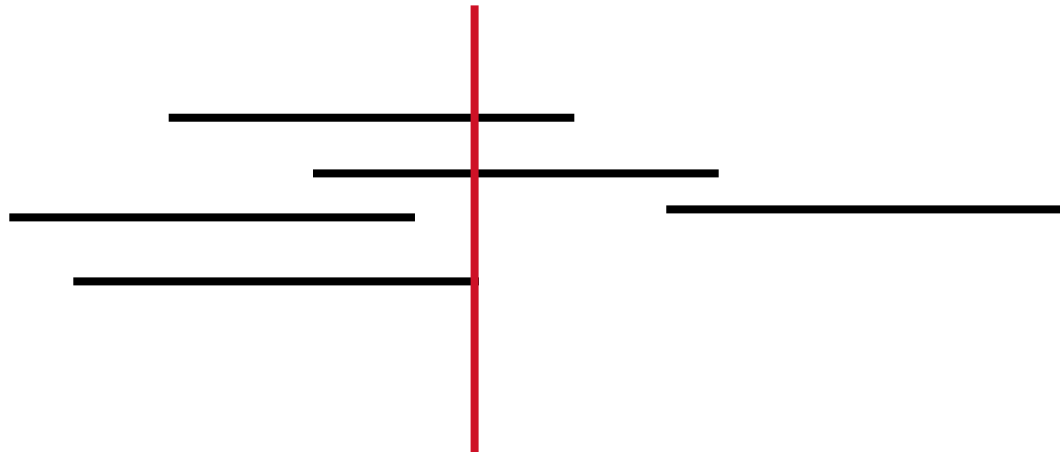
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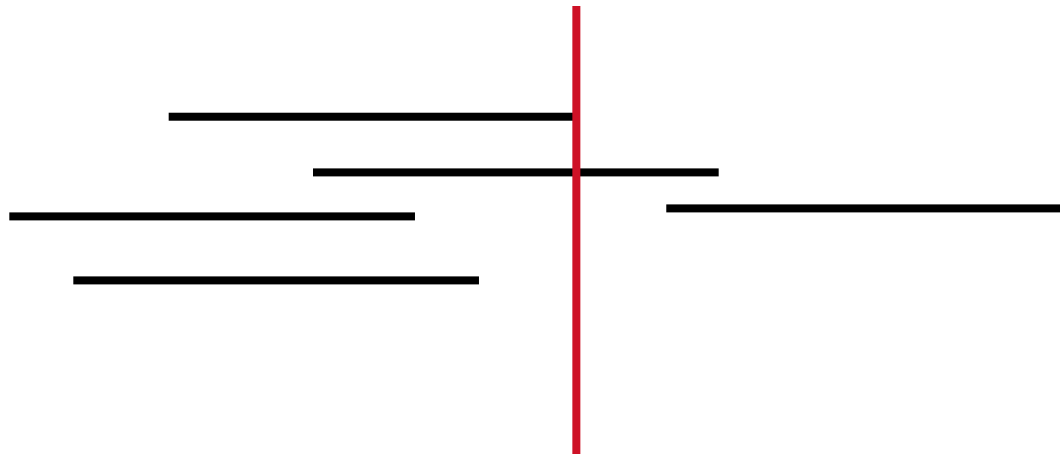
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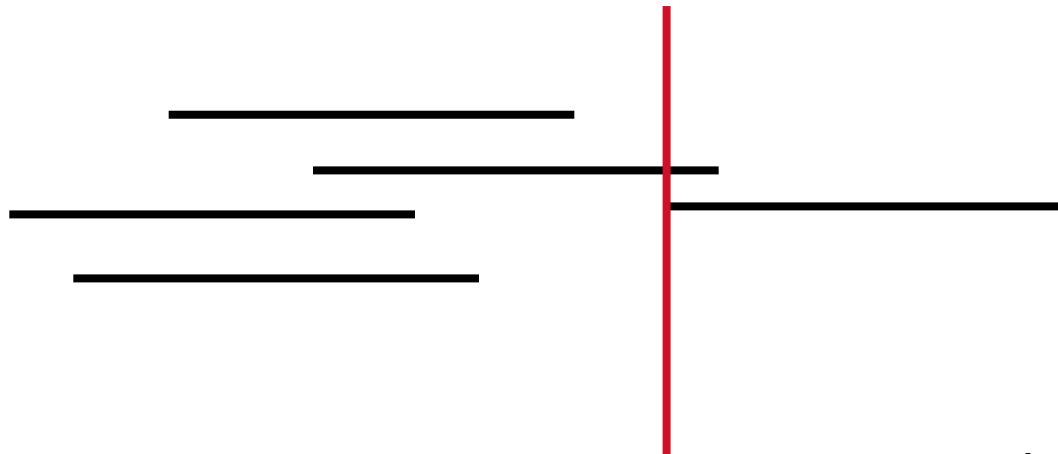
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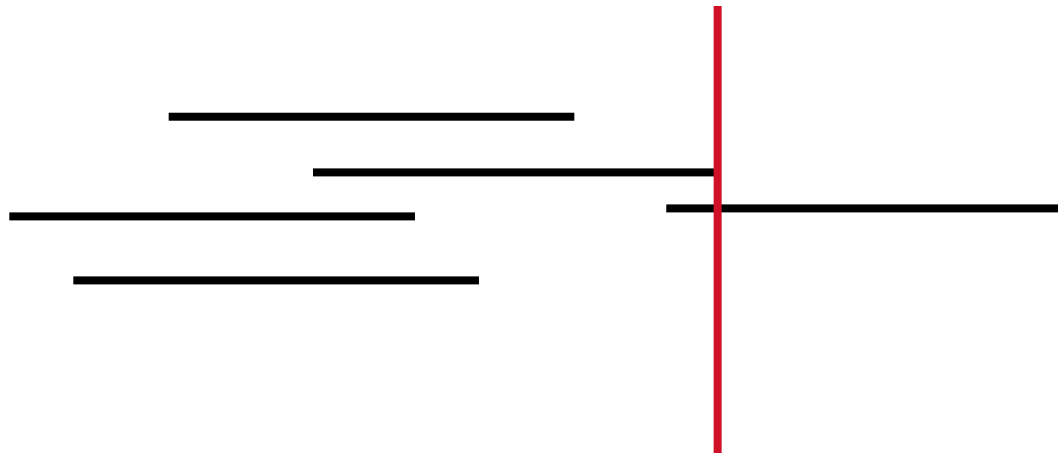
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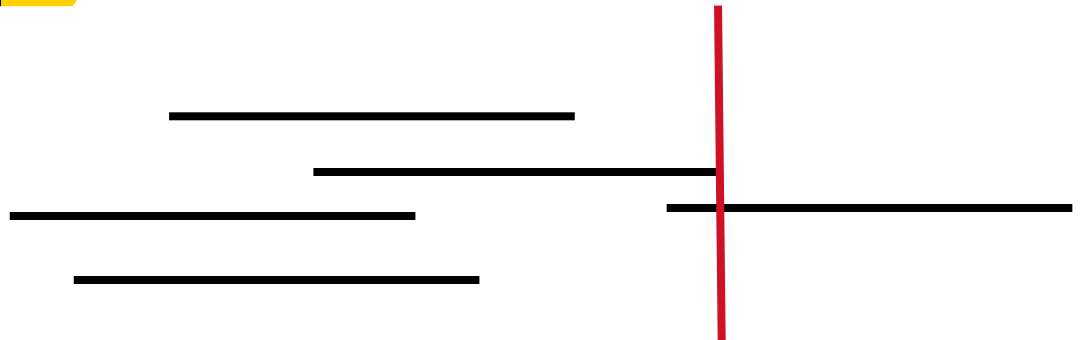
depth = 0

If we can keep track of the current depth then we can easily also find the maximal depth.

The points where a change of depth may occur are called the **event points** \Rightarrow endpoints of the intervals

End Points: Changes happen

The sweepline **status** is the information stored with the sweepline \Rightarrow current depth.



1. Sort endpoints from left to right p_1, \dots, p_{2n} $O(n \log n)$
 2. currentDepth=0
 3. maxDepth=0
 4. for $i=1$ to $2n$ do
 - if p_i is left endpoint then
 - currentDepth = currentDepth + 1
 - if maxDepth < currentDepth then
 - maxDepth = currentDepth
 - else {if p_i is a right endpoint}
 - currentDepth = currentDepth - 1
 5. end {for}
 6. Report maxDepth
- $O(n)$



Summary: Depth of intervals

Theorem:

The **depth** of a set of n intervals in 1D can be computed in **$O(n \log n)$** time using a **sweepline algorithm**.

Main idea:

Sweep an “imaginary” line L across the plane while

- (1) maintaining the status of L and [current depth]
- (2) fulfilling an invariant. [the maximum depth to the left of L has been computed]
维持一些条件不变

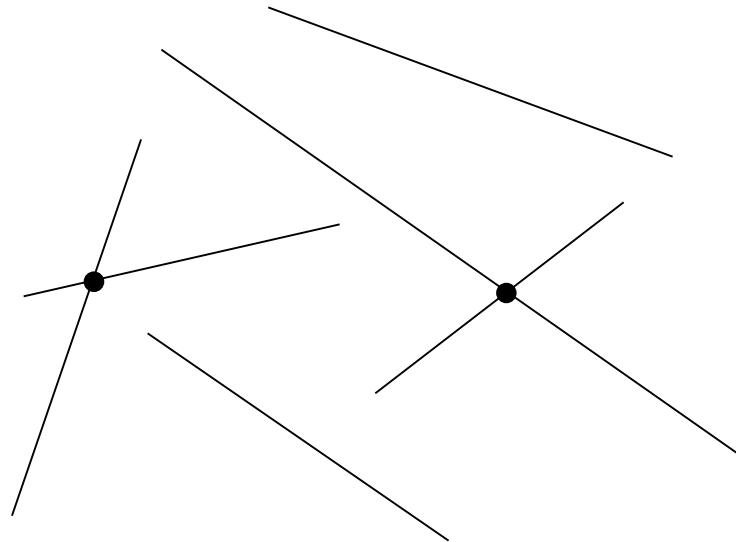
- › The status of L only changes at certain discrete event points.
[endpoints of segments]
- › When the sweep line encounters an event point the status is updated in such a way that the invariant is guaranteed to hold after the event point has been processed.
[updating the depth counter]

Correctness usually follows immediately from the invariant and the event points.

- 1) Prove that the status can't change between two consecutive event points and
[if event points are correctly chosen this is usually trivial]
- 2) prove that the invariant holds before and after an event point is processed.
[depth counter correct before new event and after an event has been processed]



Segment intersection



Segment intersection

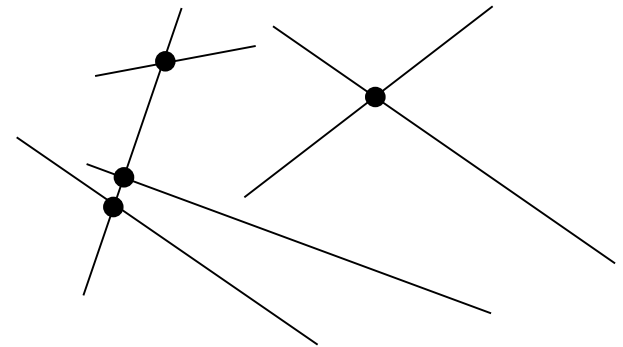
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Find all pairs of segments that intersect.



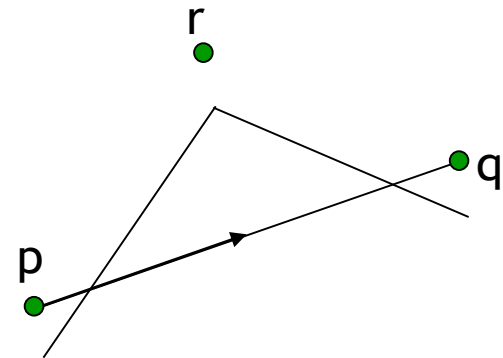
Check left turn a primitive?

How can we check if a point r lies to the left of a line pq ?

\Rightarrow Triangle $\Delta(p,q,r)$ is oriented counter-clockwise.

$p=(p_x,p_y)$, $q=(q_x,q_y)$ and $r=(r_x,r_y)$

$$D(p,q,r) = \begin{vmatrix} p_x & q_x & r_x \\ p_y & q_y & r_y \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{Determinant}$$



$$= (q_x - p_x)(r_y - p_y) - (r_x - p_x)(q_y - p_y) \quad [2 \text{ multiplications, } 5 \text{ subtractions}]$$

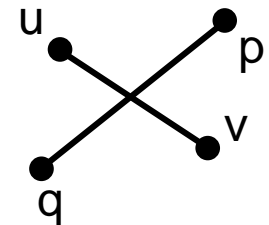
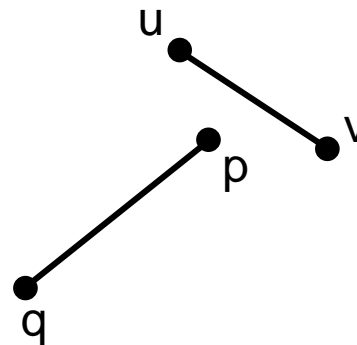
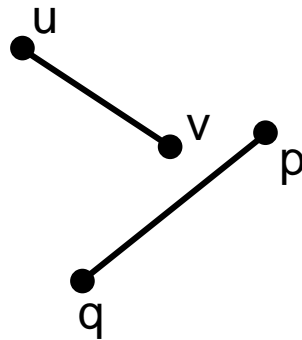
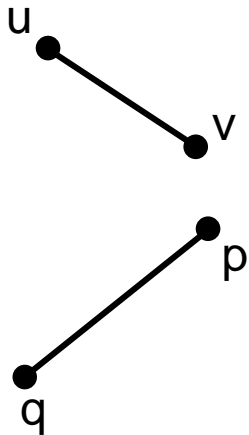
$\Delta(p,q,r)$ is oriented counter-clockwise iff $D(p,q,r) > 0$.

$CCW(p,q,r) = \text{true}$ if $D(p,q,r) > 0$ otherwise false

Segment intersection
Using determinant.

Test if two segments (p,q) and (u,v) intersect.

```
boolean INTERSECT(Points u, v, p, q)
    return [(CCW(u, v, p) xor CCW (u, v, q)) and
            (CCW(p, q, u) xor CCW (p, q, v))]
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Segment intersection

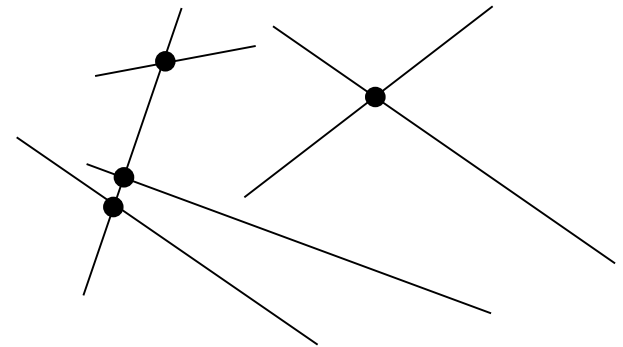
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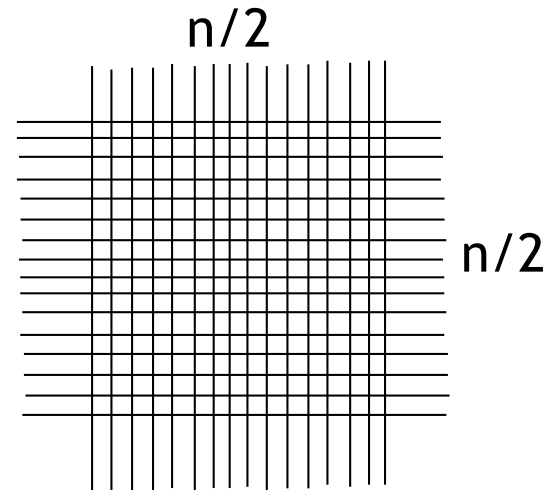
Check every possible pair of segments if they intersect

⇒ $O(n^2)$ time

Can we do better?

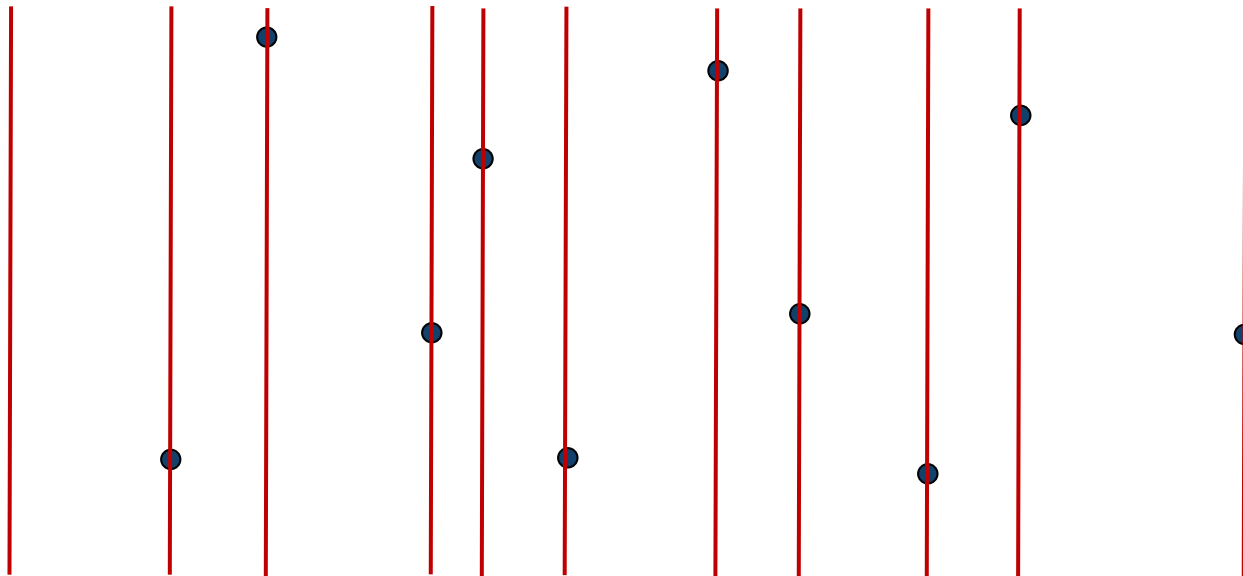
Detection? Maybe!

Reporting? Nope!



However, we can try to make the running time sensitive to the size of the output (h).

- › Simulate sweeping a vertical line from left to right across the plane.
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Algorithm **Generic_Plane_Sweep**:

Initialize **sweep line status** S at time $x=-\infty$

Store initial events in **event queue** Q , a priority queue ordered by x -coordinate
while $Q \neq \emptyset$

 // extract next event e :

$e = Q.\text{extractMin}()$;

 // handle event:

 Update sweep line status

 Discover new upcoming events and insert them into Q

Plane sweep algorithm: intersection detection

Plane sweep (general method):

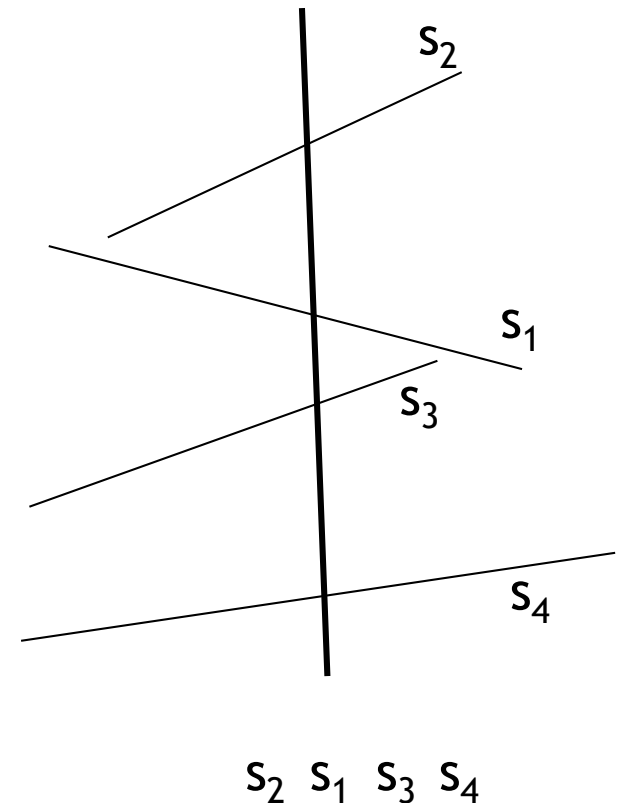
1. Sweep the input from left to right and stop at event points
2. Maintain invariant (status and structure)
3. At each event point restore invariant

Event points?

end points of the segments

Invariant:

- › The order of the segments along the sweep line
- › No intersections among segments encountered by the sweepline



Plane sweep algorithm

l_t : the vertical line at $x=t$

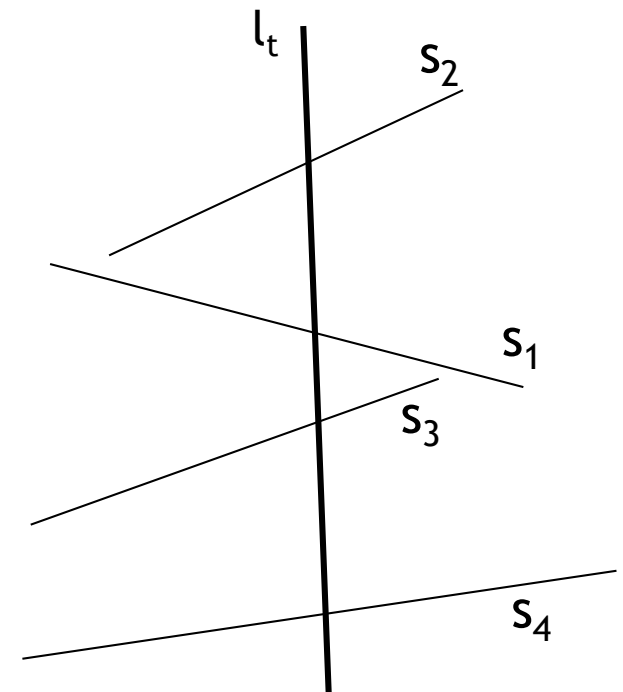
S_t : the sequence of the segments that intersects l_t in order from top to bottom.

Idea:

Maintain S_t while l_t moves from left to right

Invariant:

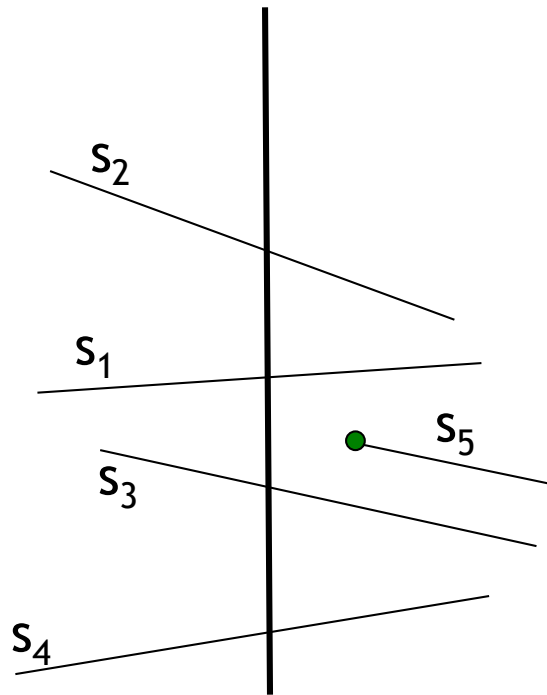
- We know S_t
- No intersections to the left of l_t



S_t : s_2 s_1 s_3 s_4

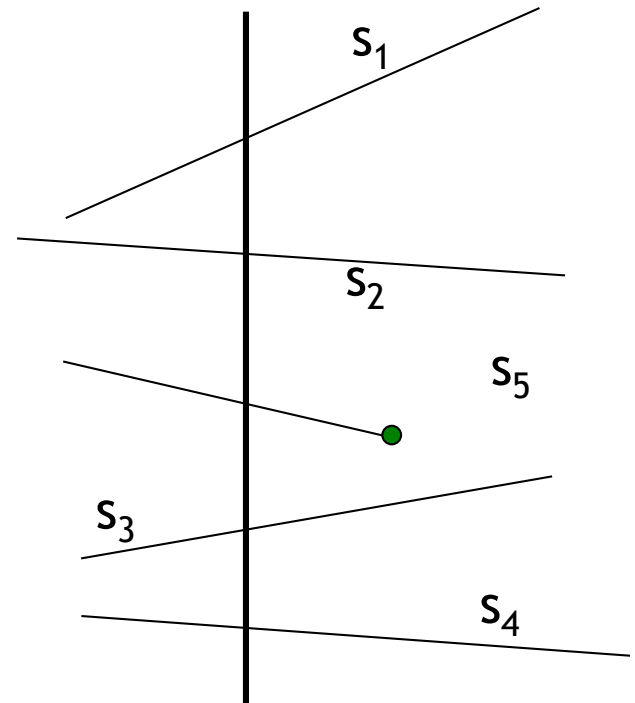
Initially: Let t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{2n} be the x-coordinates of the endpoints

Case 1: t_{i+1} is a left end point



$s_2 \ s_1 \ s_3 \ s_4$

Case 2: t_{i+1} is a right end point



$s_2 \ s_1 \ s_5 \ s_3 \ s_4$

We need to store S_t in a data structure that supports fast insertions and deletions.

Structure: Balanced binary search trees
Each update can be done in $O(\log n)$ time

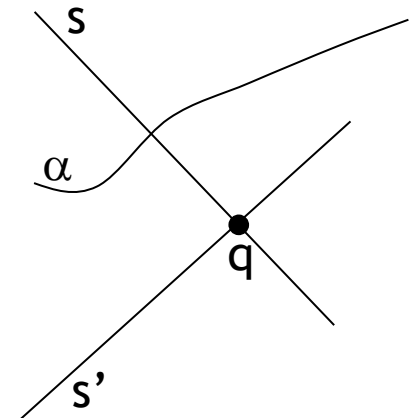
Problem: We did not check intersections!

Observation: Let q be the leftmost intersection point, where q is an intersection point between the segments s and s' with x -coordinate t then s and s' are adjacent in S_t .

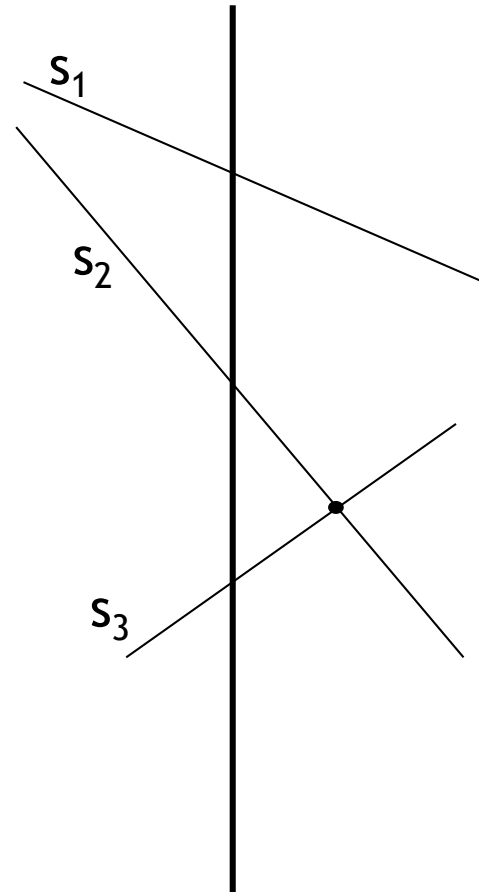
Proof:

Assume the opposite, i.e., $S_t = (\dots s \dots \alpha \dots s' \dots)$

1. Right endpoint of α must be to the right of q .
2. If q below α then α intersects s to the left of q .
 \Rightarrow contradicts that q is leftmost intersection
3. Similarly, q cannot lie above α
 \Rightarrow contradiction!



Conclusion: To detect an intersection we only need to check adjacent segments in S_t .



Algorithm DetectIntersection(S)

1. Store the segments S_t in a balanced binary search tree T w.r.t. the order along l_t .
2. When deleting a segment in T two segments become adjacent. We can find them in $O(\log n)$ time and check if they intersect.
3. When inserting a segment s_i in T it becomes adjacent to two segments. We can find them in $O(\log n)$ time and check if they intersect s_i .
4. If we find an intersection we're done!

Time complexity?

Every endpoint is an event point $\Rightarrow 2n$ event points

Insert segment s

 Add s to T : $O(\log n)$
 Check neighbours: $2 \times O(\log n)$

Delete segment s

 Remove s from T : $O(\log n)$
 Check new neighbours: $2 \times O(\log n)$

Total: $O(n \log n)$

Intersection reporting

The problem of reporting all intersections between a set of n segments has a lower bound of $O(n^2)$

How can we change the algorithm to report all intersections?

Event points = endpoints plus intersection points

Event Points $S = \{\text{The endpoints of the segments and all segment intersections}\}$

Where does the order along l_t change?

With the new event points we can run the algorithms as before (with minor modifications).

Running time: $O(n \log n + h \log n)$

$h \rightarrow \#$ of output (size of output)

Sweep-line technique

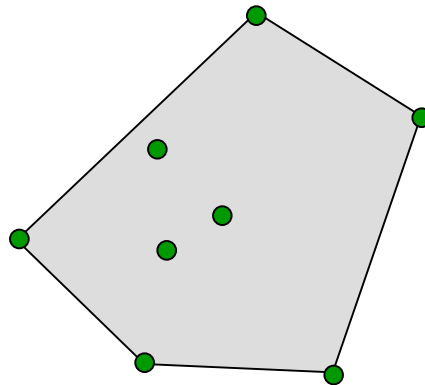
[Shamos & Hoey'75], [Lee & Preparata'77], [Bentley & Ottman'79]

Intersection reporting

- › $O(n \log n + h \log n)$ time [Bentley & Ottmann'79]
- › $O(n \log^2 n / \log \log n + h)$ [Chazelle'86]
- › $O(n \log n + h)$ [Chazelle & Edelsbrunner'88]
- › $O(n \log n + h)$ [Balaban'95]
(also works for curves)

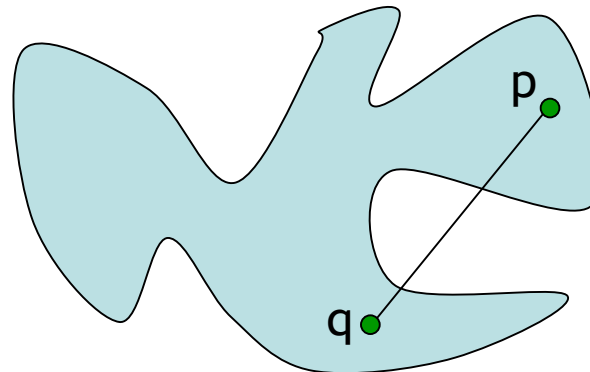
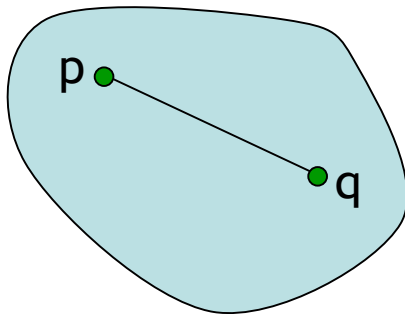


Convex hulls and the sweep line technique





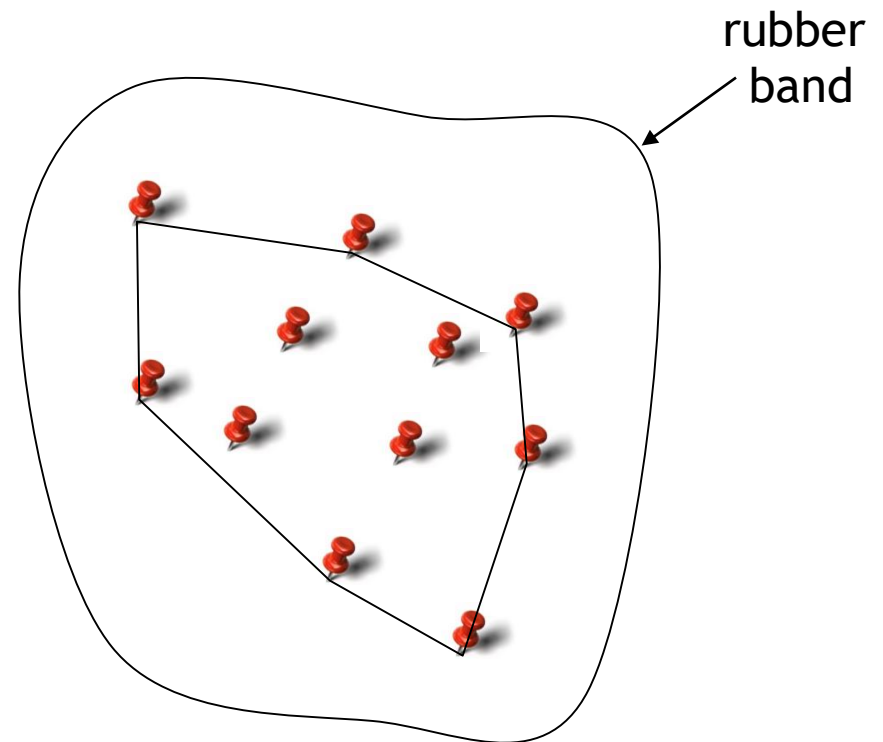
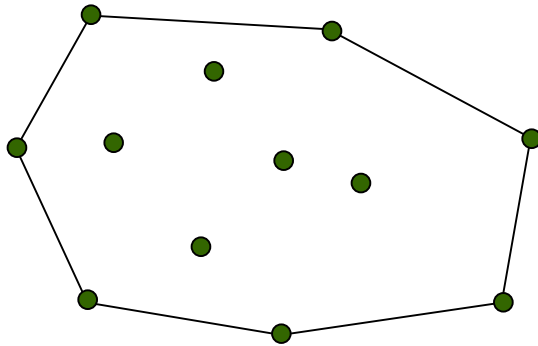
A subset S of the plane is convex if for every pair of points p, q in S the straight line segment pq is completely contained in S .





Convex hull

The **convex hull** of a point set is the smallest convex set containing S .



We only want to find the **hull!** 壳

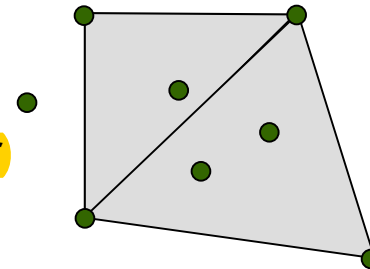
Definition:

The **convex set** of a set of point S in d dimensions is the union of all convex combinations of $(d+1)$ points of S .

$d=2$: Convex combination of 3 points \Rightarrow a triangle!

Definition implies an algorithm:

A point that does not lie in the interior of any triangle of S is a CH vertex.



Algorithm CH1(S)

1. for every possible triple of points x, y, z in S do
2. for every point p in S do
3. if q lies within the triangle (x, y, z) then
4. discard q from S

Time complexity?

Step 1 is performed $O(n^3)$ times

Step 2 is performed n times/iteration

Step 3 and step 4 cost $O(1)$ /iteration

Total time: **$O(n^4)$**

In one iteration a linear number of points along the convex hull computed so far might be visited but on average only a constant number of nodes are visited.



CH algorithm 1: running time

Assumption: 10^8 instructions per second

Input size: 1 million points = 10^6 points

\Rightarrow running time $\sim n^4/10^8 = 10^{16}$ seconds ~ 317 million years

CH in 1 second: 100 points

Definition:

The CH of S is the intersection of all halfspaces that contain S .

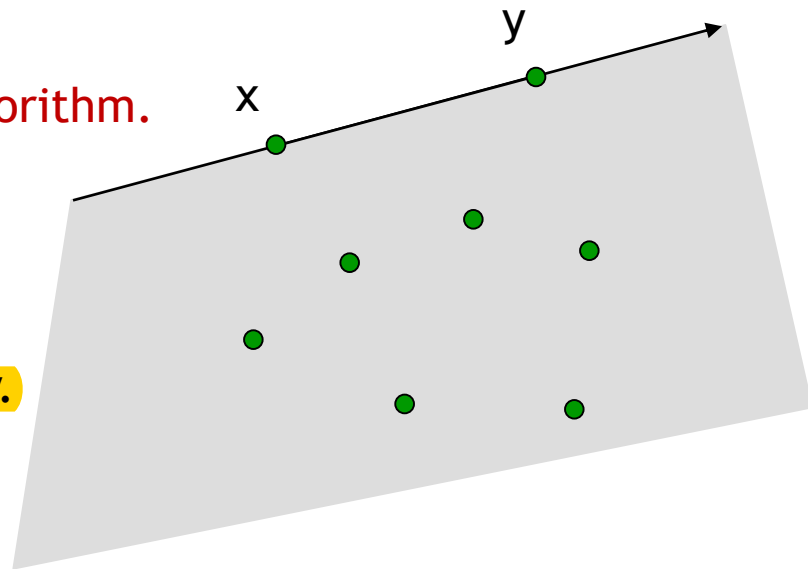
Why is the intersection of two convex sets a convex set? Union?

union of two convex sets is not a convex set.

This definition implies a second algorithm.

Consider an edge xy of $\text{CH}(S)$.

All points of S must lie to the right of the directed line through x and y .

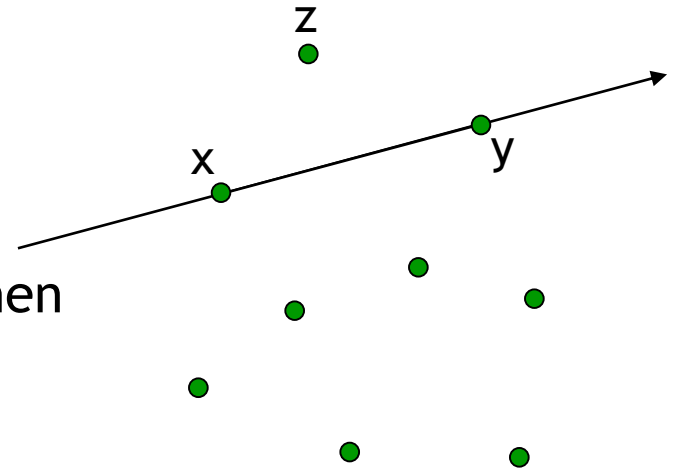




CH algorithm 2

Algorithm CH2(S)

1. for every ordered pair x, y in S do
2. $\text{valid} \leftarrow \text{true}$
3. for every point z in $S - \{x, y\}$ do
4. if z lies to the left of xy then
5. $\text{valid} \leftarrow \text{false}$
6. if valid then
7. add xy to CH
8. Sort the edges in CH



Steps 1-2, 6-7 : $O(n^2)$ times

Steps 3-5 : $(n-2)$ times/iteration

Step 8 : $O(n \log n)$

Time complexity?

Total time: $O(n^3)$



CH algorithm 2: running time

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\Rightarrow running time $\sim n^3/10^8 = 10^{10}$ seconds ~ 317 years

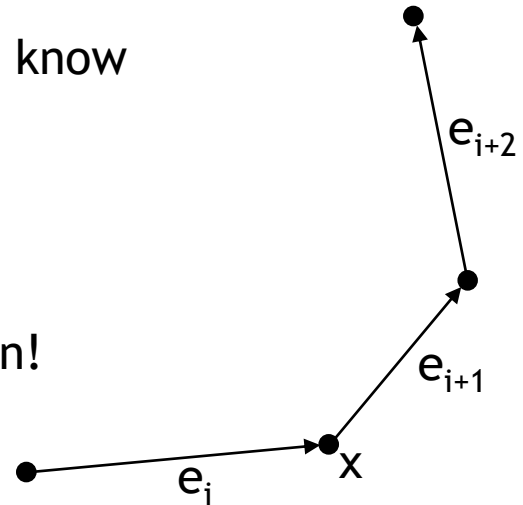
CH in 1 second: 464 points

CH algorithm 3 (Gift Wrapping)

Can we compute the CH faster? Is there anything we know about the CH that we haven't used?

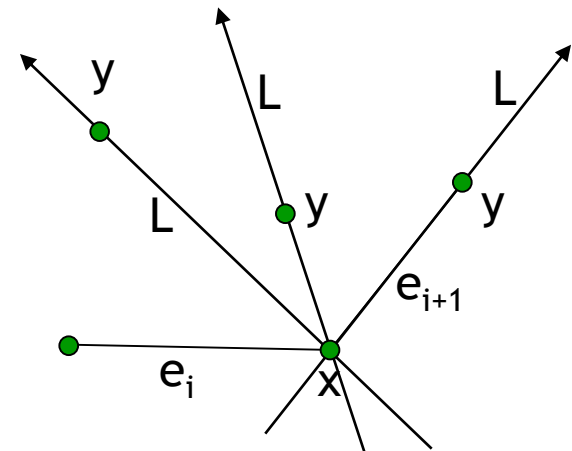
The edges in the CH are linked into a convex polygon!

If we found an edge on the CH with endpoint at x then the next edge must start at x .



Idea:

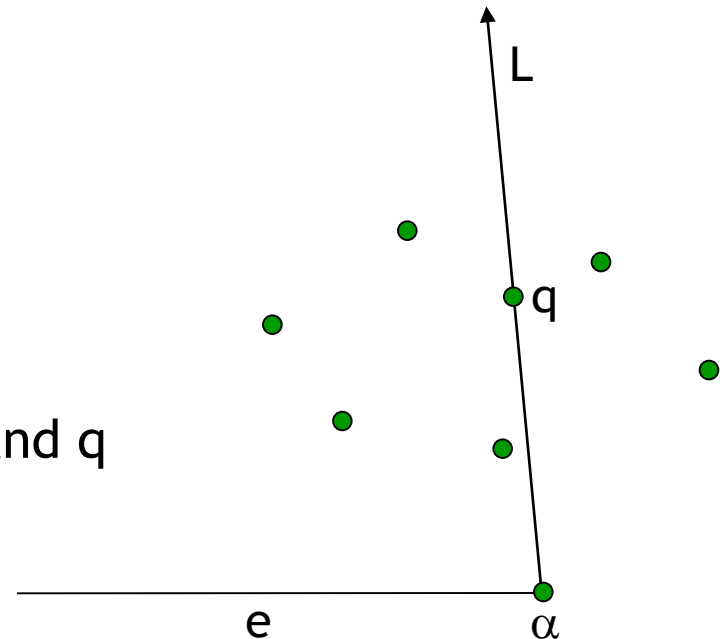
Draw a line L through x and a point y . Are there any points to the right of L ?
If not (x,y) is an edge of CH.



Start point?

Algorithm CH3(S)

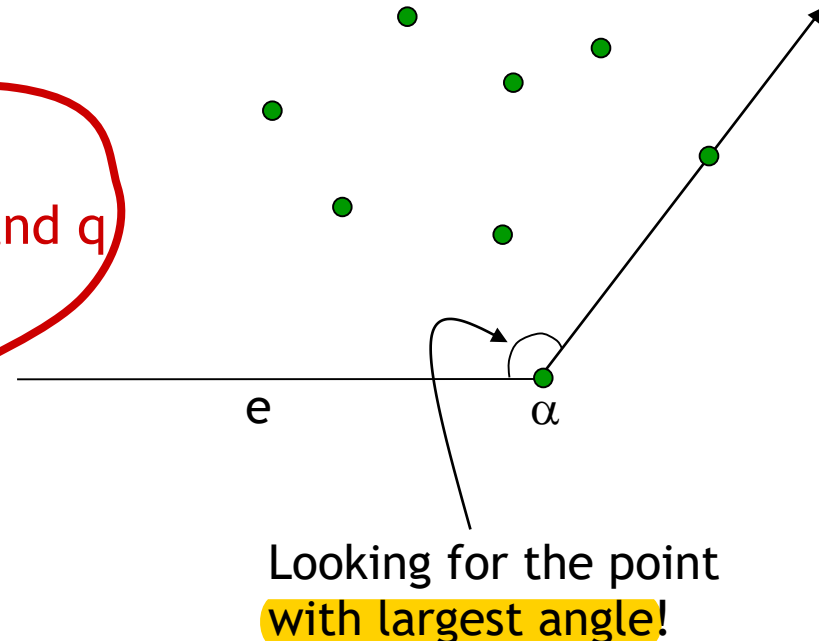
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3. $\alpha \leftarrow p$
4. repeat
5. $\text{valid} \leftarrow \text{true}$
6. for every point q in $S - \{\alpha\}$ do
7. $L \leftarrow$ directed line through α and q
8. for every point r in $S - \{\alpha, q\}$ do
9. if r to the right of L then
10. $\text{valid} \leftarrow \text{false}$
11. if valid then
12. add αq to CH
13. $\alpha \leftarrow q$
14. until $\alpha == p$

Time complexity: **$O(n^3)$**

Algorithm CH3(S)

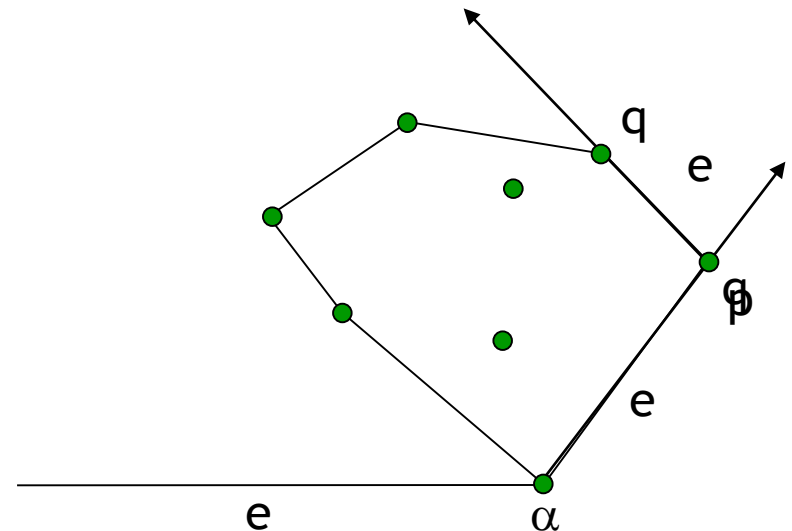
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13. $\alpha \leftarrow q$
14. until $\alpha == p$

Can this be done faster?



Algorithm CH4(S)

1. find lowest point p in S
2. $\alpha \leftarrow (-\infty, p_y)$
3. $e \leftarrow (\alpha, p)$
4. repeat
5. $\text{maxAngle} \leftarrow 0$
6. for every point q in S do
7. if $\angle(e, (p, q)) > \text{maxAngle}$ then
8. $\text{nextPoint} \leftarrow q$
9. $\text{maxAngle} \leftarrow \angle(e, (p, q))$
10. $e \leftarrow (p, \text{nextPoint})$
11. $p \leftarrow q$
12. until $\alpha == p$



Time complexity: $O(n^2)$

What if the number of points on the CH is small?



CH algorithm 4: running time

Assumption: 10^8 instructions per second

Input size: 1 million points = 10^6 points

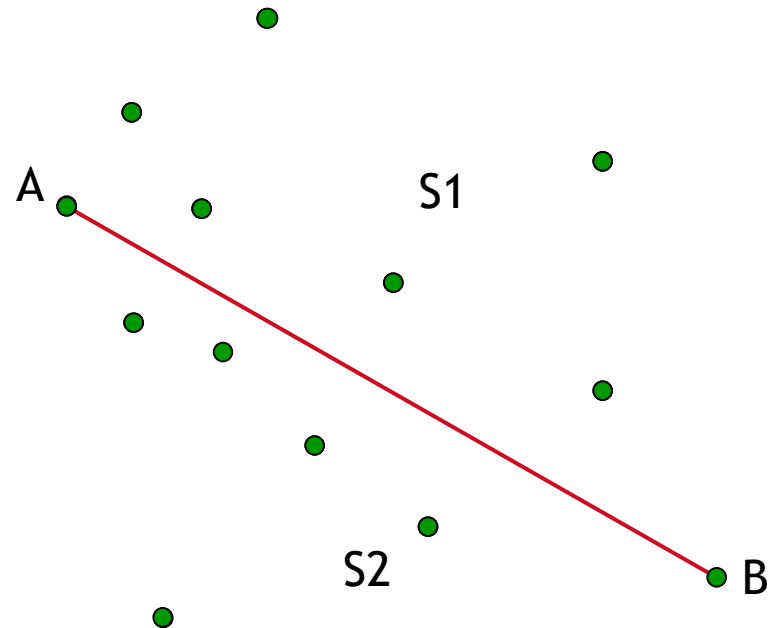
\Rightarrow running time $\sim n^2/10^8 = 10^4$ seconds ~ 3 hours

CH in 1 second: 10,000 points

Divide-and-Conquer approach

QuickHull(S)

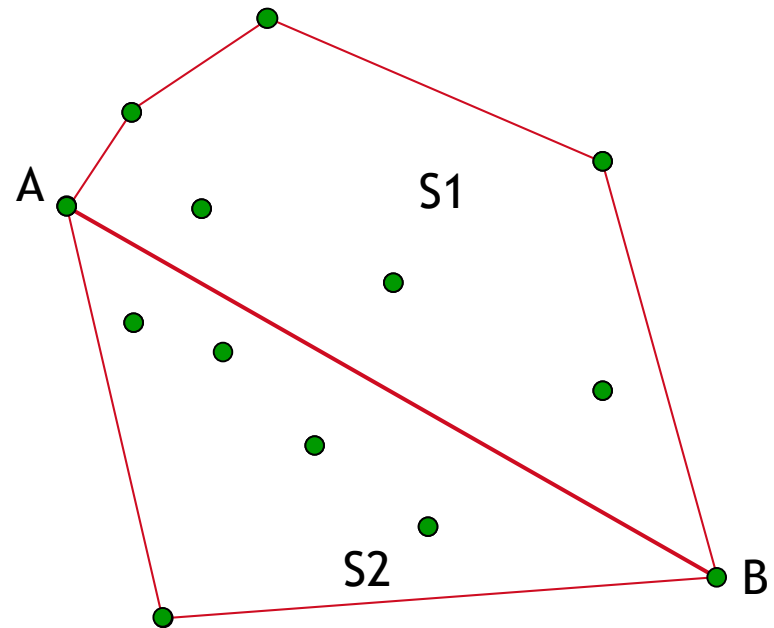
1. A = leftmost point of S
2. B = rightmost point of S
3. $S1 = \{\text{points in } S \text{ above } AB\}$
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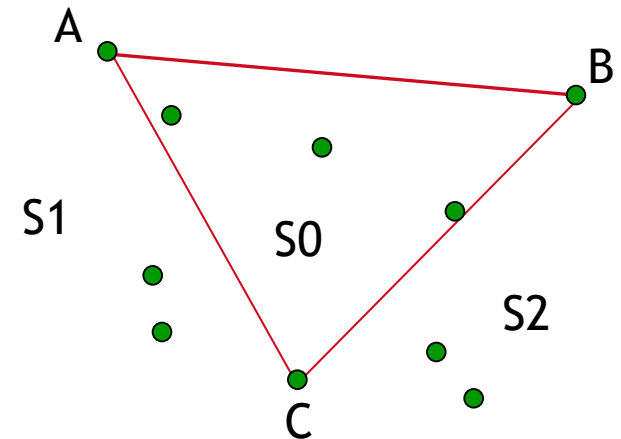
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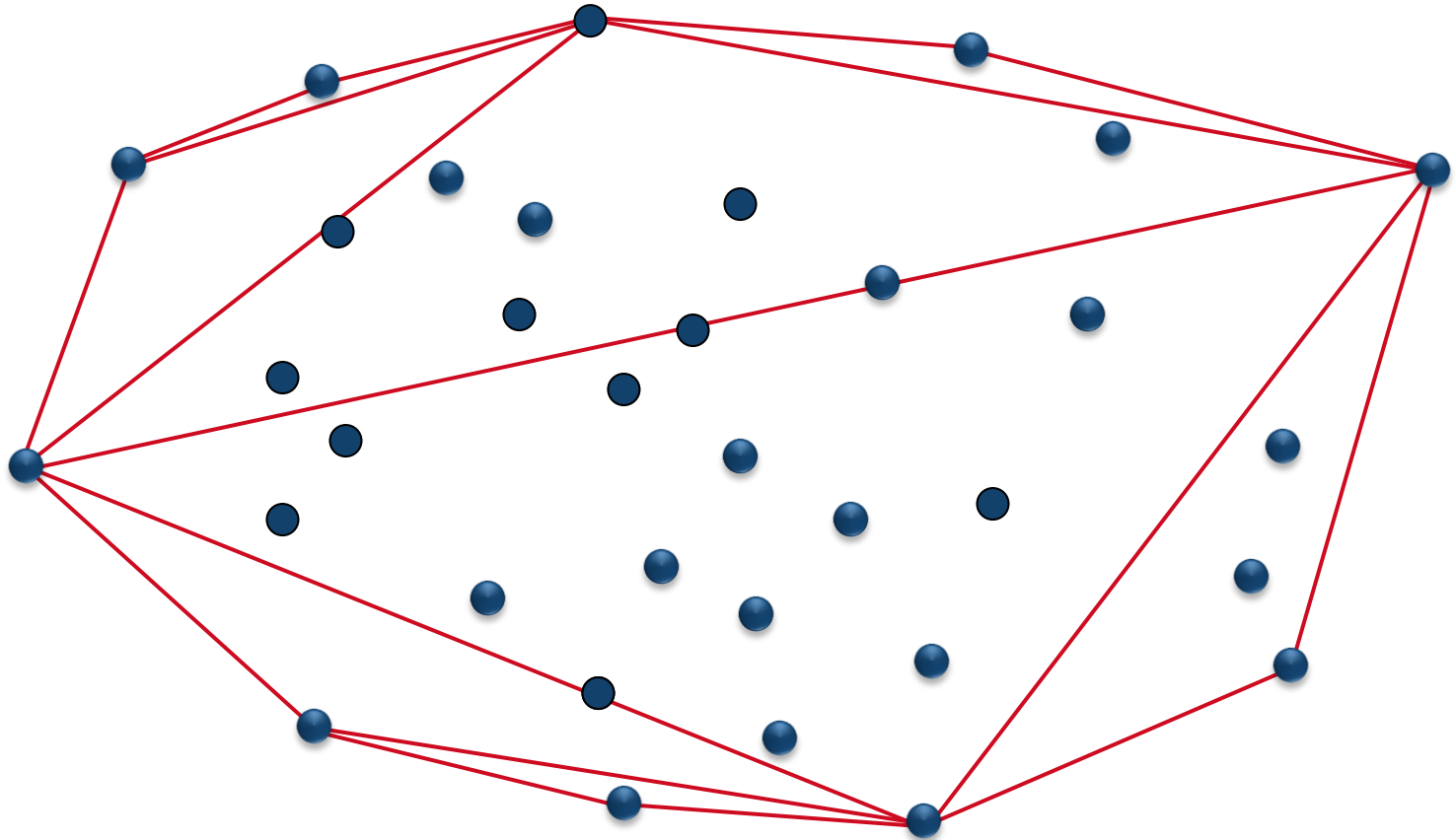
If S not empty then

1. Find farthest point C in S from AB
2. Add C to convex hull between A and B
3. $S_0 = \{\text{points inside } ABC\}$
4. $S_1 = \{\text{points to the right of } AC\}$
5. $S_2 = \{\text{points to the right of } CB\}$
6. FindHull(S_1 , A, C)
7. FindHull(S_2 , C, B)



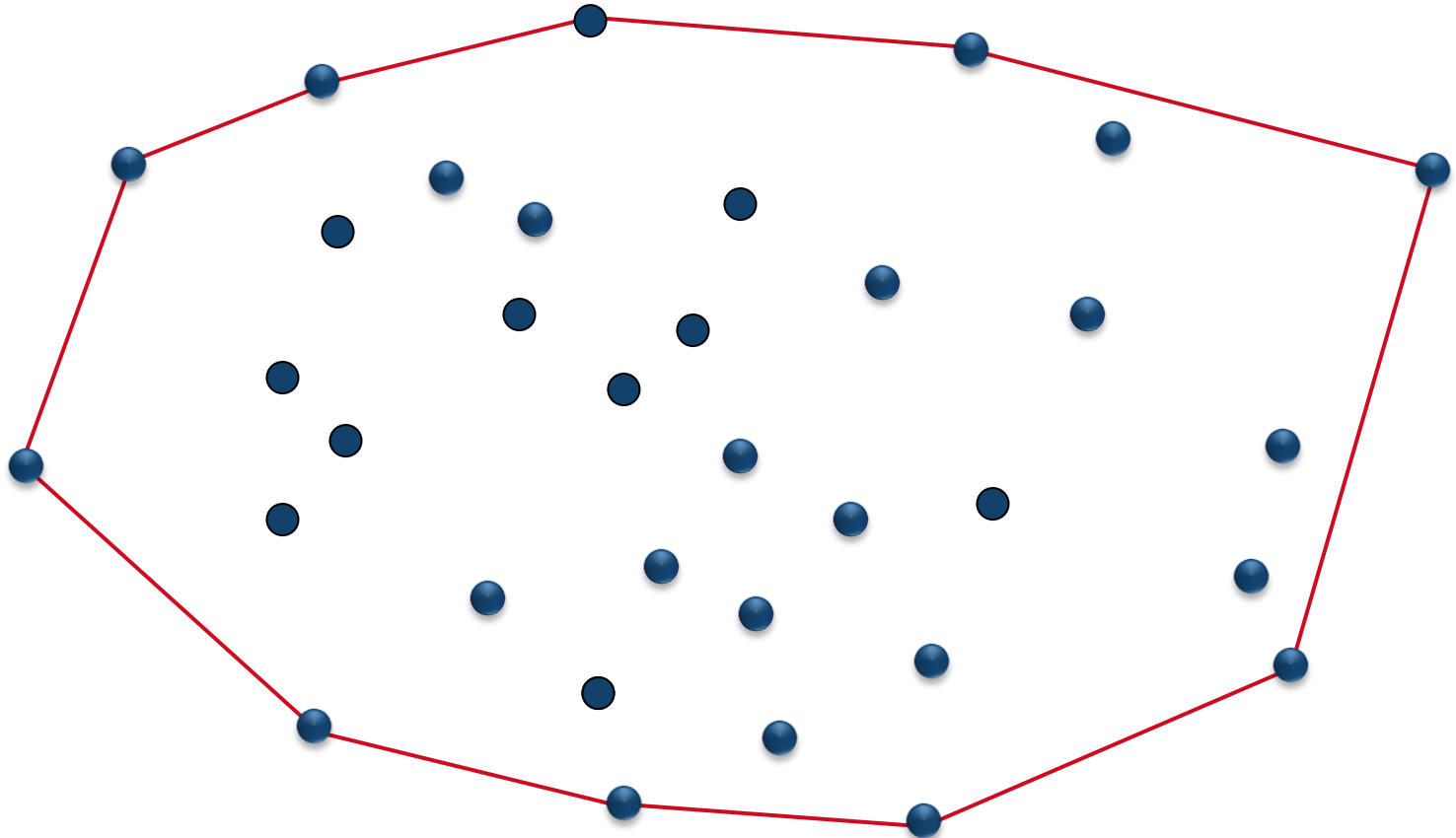


CH algorithm 5 - QuickHull





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QuickHull

- Compute A and B $O(n)$ time
 - FindHull(S_1, A, B) $T(|S_1|)$ time
 - FindHull(S_2, B, A) $T(|S_2|)$ time
- $$\left. \begin{array}{l} O(n) \text{ time} \\ T(|S_1|) \text{ time} \\ T(|S_2|) \text{ time} \end{array} \right\} T(n) = T(|S_1|) + T(|S_2|) + O(n)$$

Worst Case:

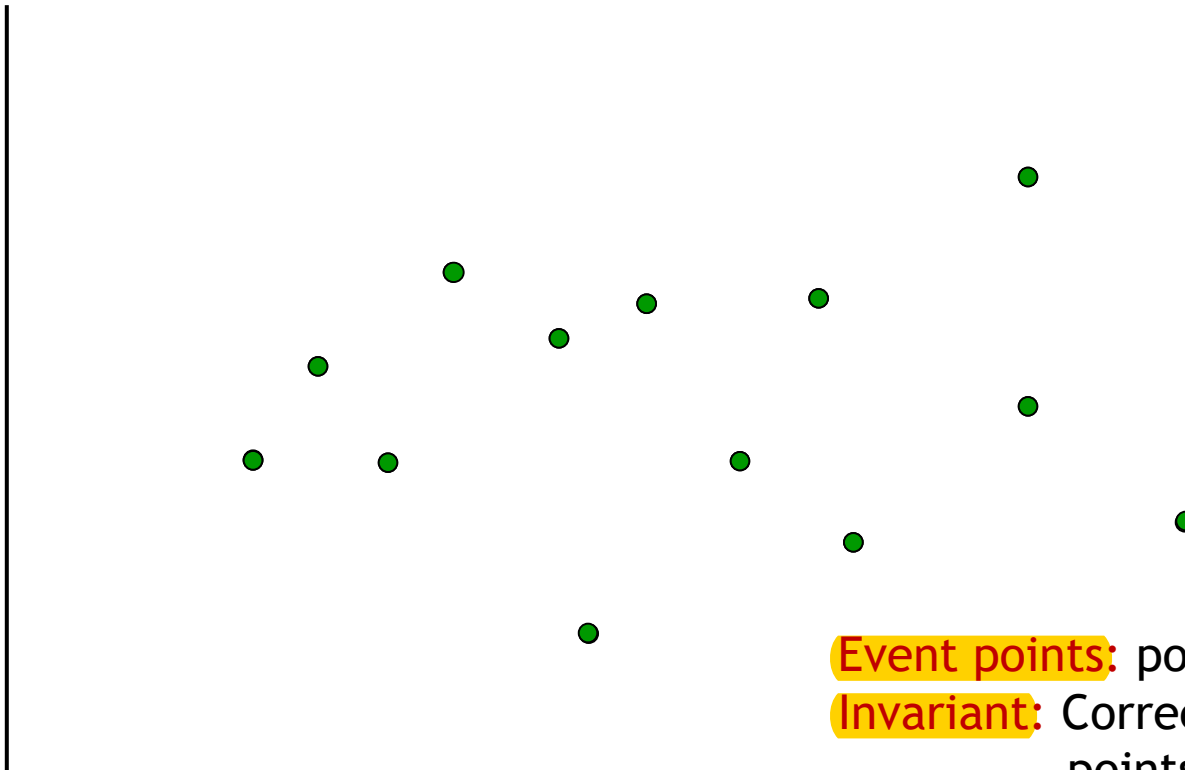
$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= T(n-2) + O(n) \\ &= T(n-3) + O(n) + O(n) \\ &= \dots = O(n^2) \end{aligned}$$

What if points are “nicely” distributed?

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &< T(n/2) + T(n/2) + O(n) \\ &= O(n \log n) \quad \text{Why?} \end{aligned}$$

CH algorithm 6 - sweep line approach

Idea: Maintain hull while adding the points one by one, from left to right \Leftrightarrow sweep the point from left to right



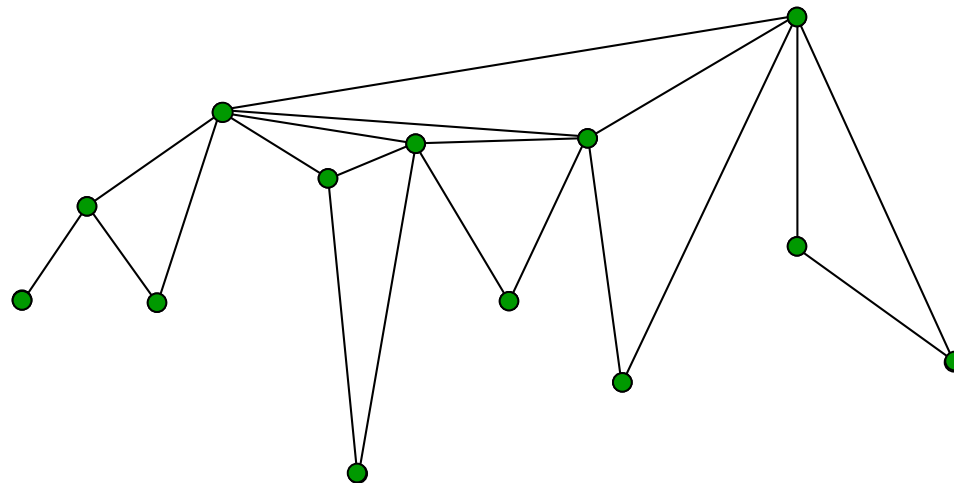
Event points: points

Invariant: Correct upper CH of points to the left of L



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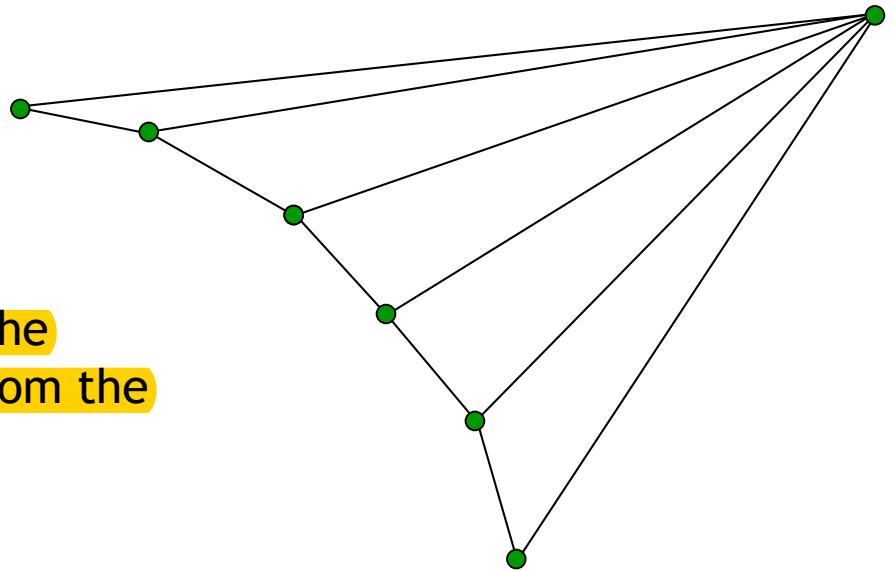
CH algorithm 6 - sweep line approach

Running time?

$O(n)$ per insertion $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$ in total

Can it be that bad?

A point is only added to the hull once and removed from the hull once!



Algorithm CH6(S)

1. sort the points in S from left to right $\langle p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n \rangle$
2. $L_{\text{upper}} \leftarrow \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle$
3. for $i \leftarrow 3$ to n do
4. append p_i to L_{upper}
5. while $|L_{\text{upper}}| > 2$ and the last three
 points (q_1, q_2, q_3) turn left do
6. Delete q_2 from L_{upper}
7. $L_{\text{lower}} \leftarrow \langle p_1, p_2 \rangle$
- ...
13. $L \leftarrow \text{join}(L_{\text{upper}}, L_{\text{lower}})$
14. return L

Time complexity: $O(n \log n)$



CH algorithm 6: running time

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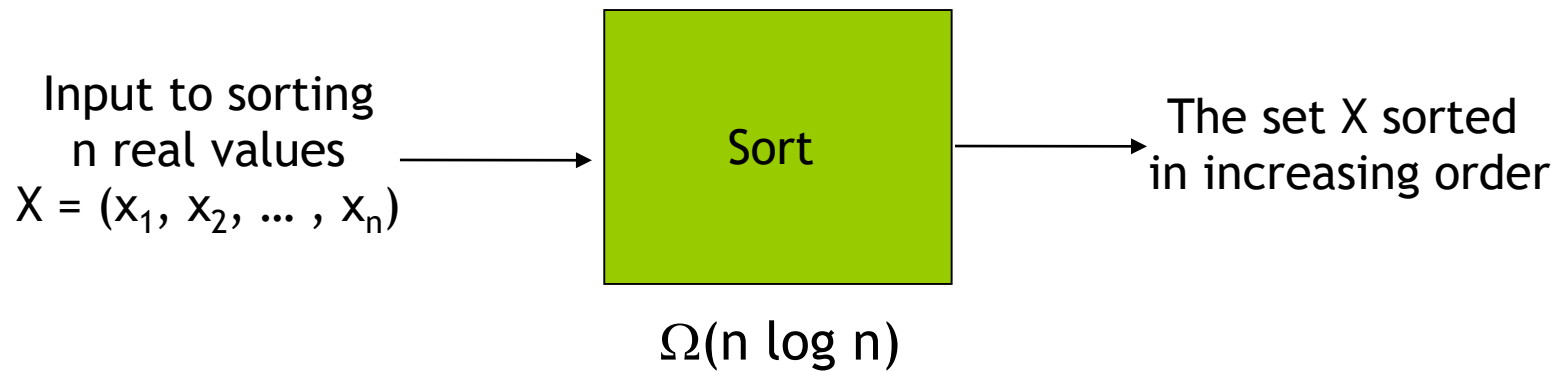
Input size: 1 million points = 10^6 points
 \Rightarrow running time $\sim n \log n / 10^8 = 0.2$ seconds

CH in 1 second: 4.5M points

Can we do better than $O(n \log n)$?

Prove a **lower bound**! Use a reduction from Sorting.

Sorting = $\Omega(n \log n)$ in the algebraic decision tree model

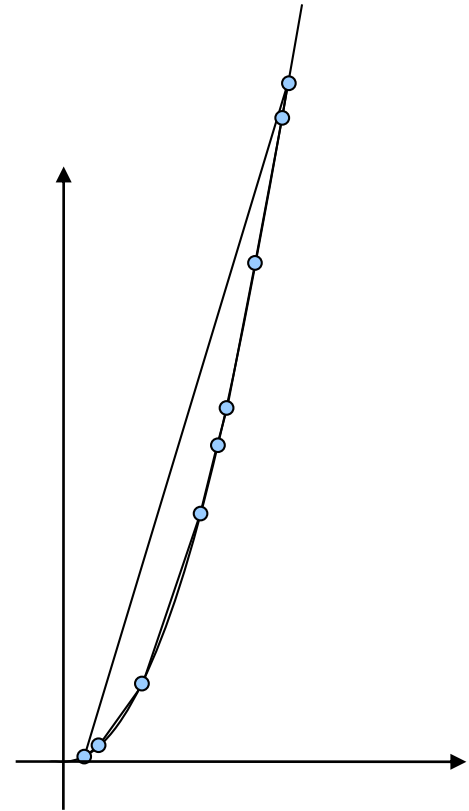


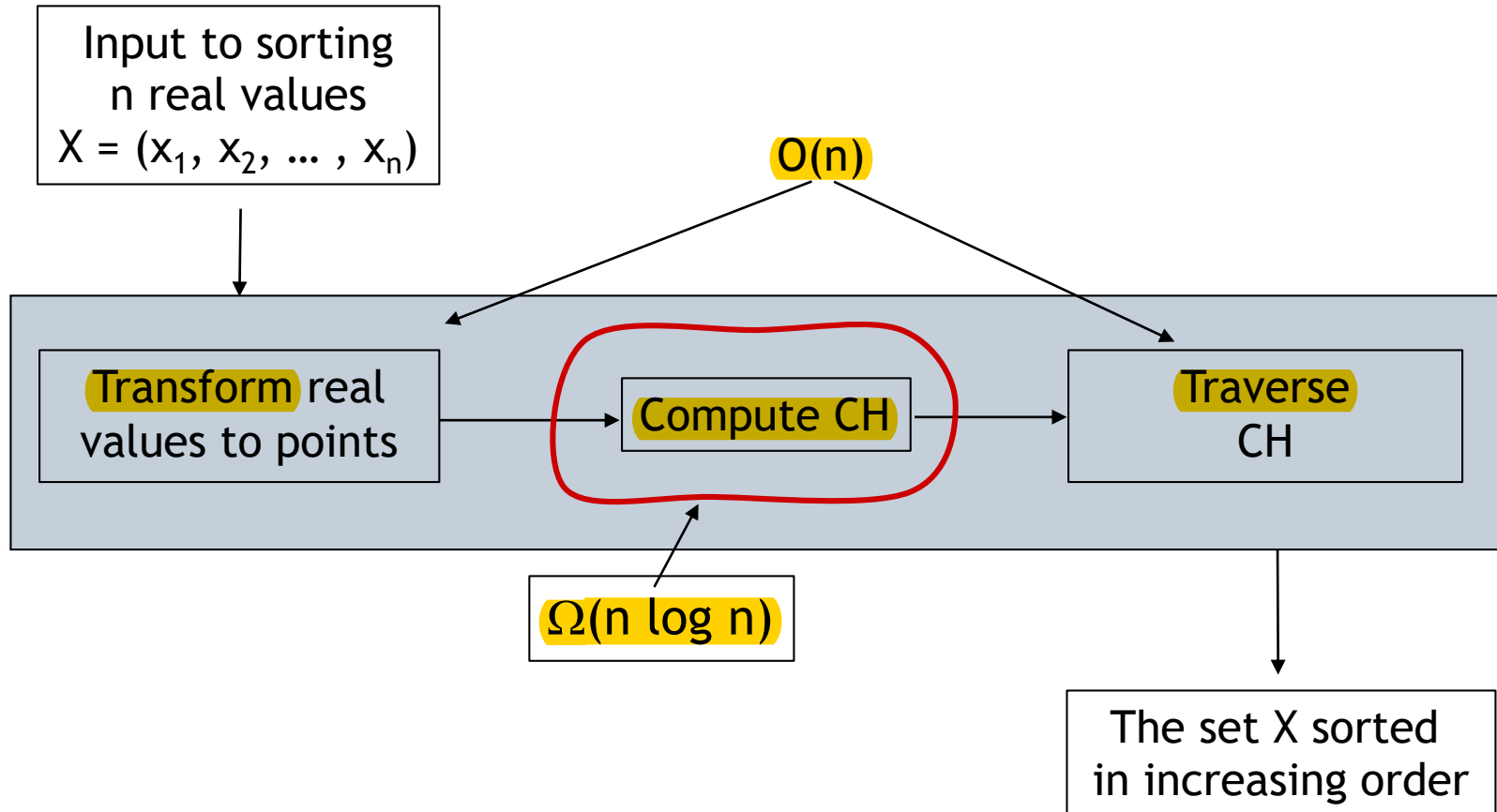
For each value x_i in X construct a point
 $p_i = (x_i, x_i^2)$

$P = (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$

Compute CH of P

Find the leftmost point p in the CH.
Traverse the CH counter-clockwise from p
and output the vertices in the order they
are encountered. -> Points in sorted order!





Preparata & Hong'77 $O(n \log n)$

Kirkpatrick & Seidel'86 $O(n \log h)$

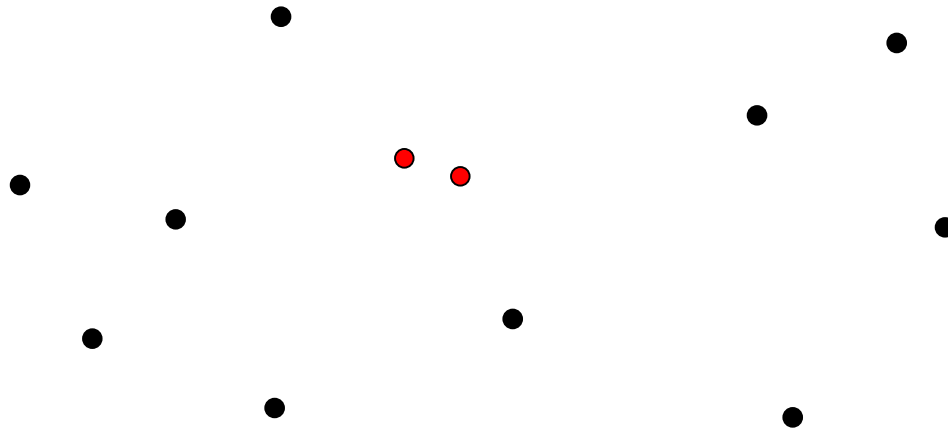
Dynamic convex hull
Brodal & Jacob'02 $O(\log n)$ time/update

[This was an open problem since 1981]

d dimensions
Chazelle'93 $\Theta(n \log n + n^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor})$



Closest pair using a sweepline approach

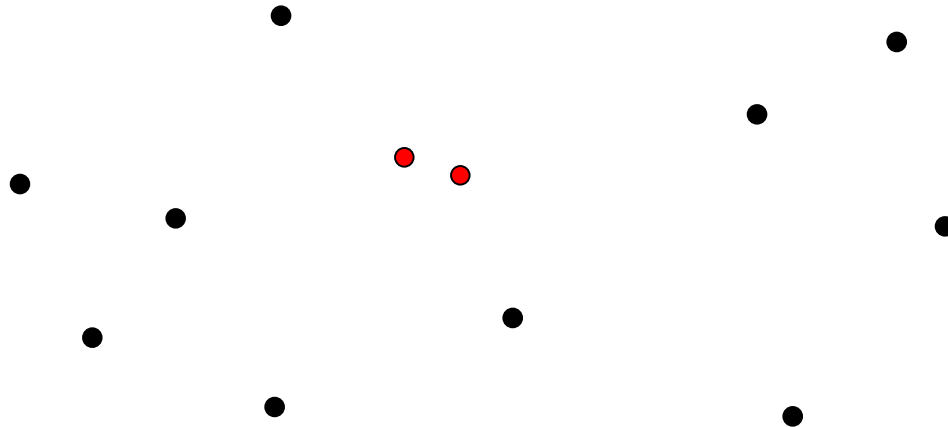


Time Complexity $O(n \log n)$



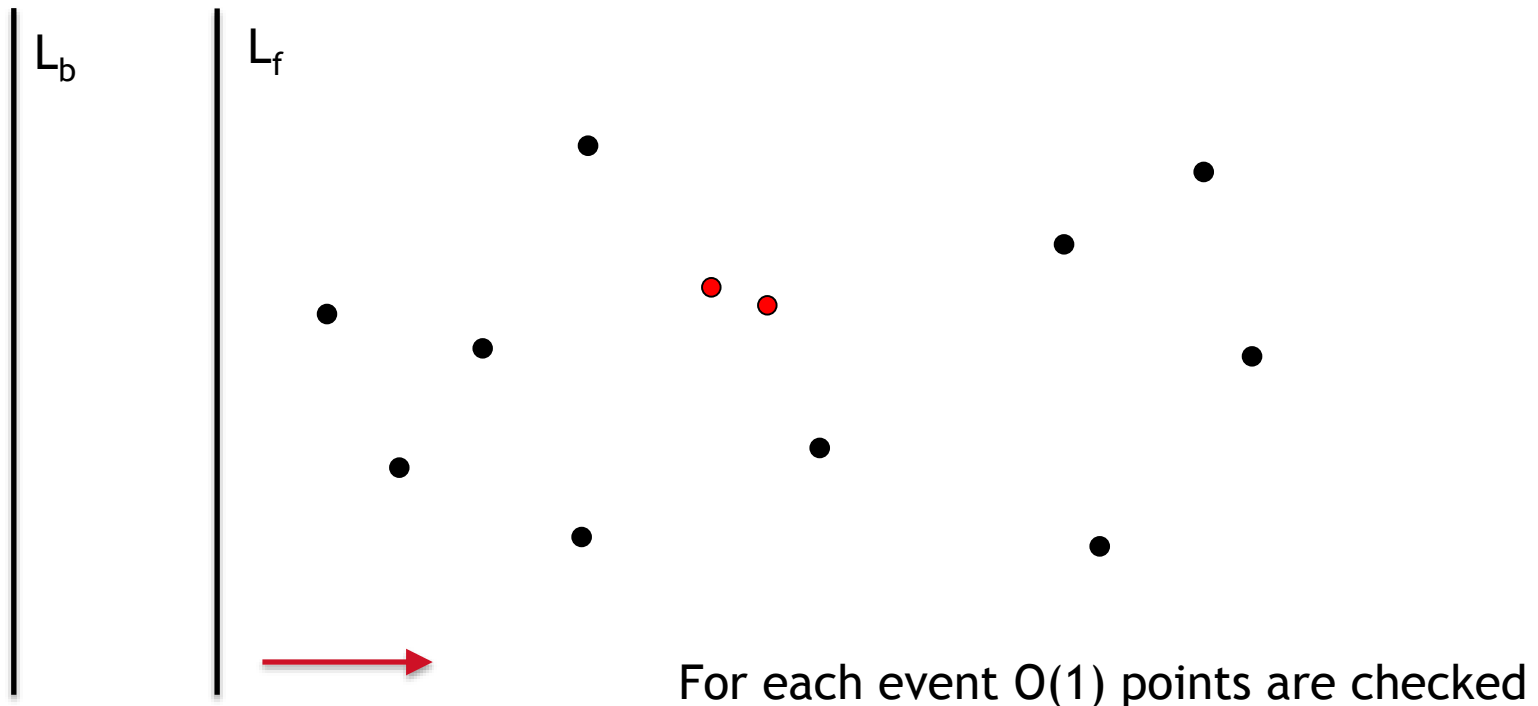
Input: A set of n points $S = \{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n\}$ in the plane.

Aim: Report the closest pair in S .



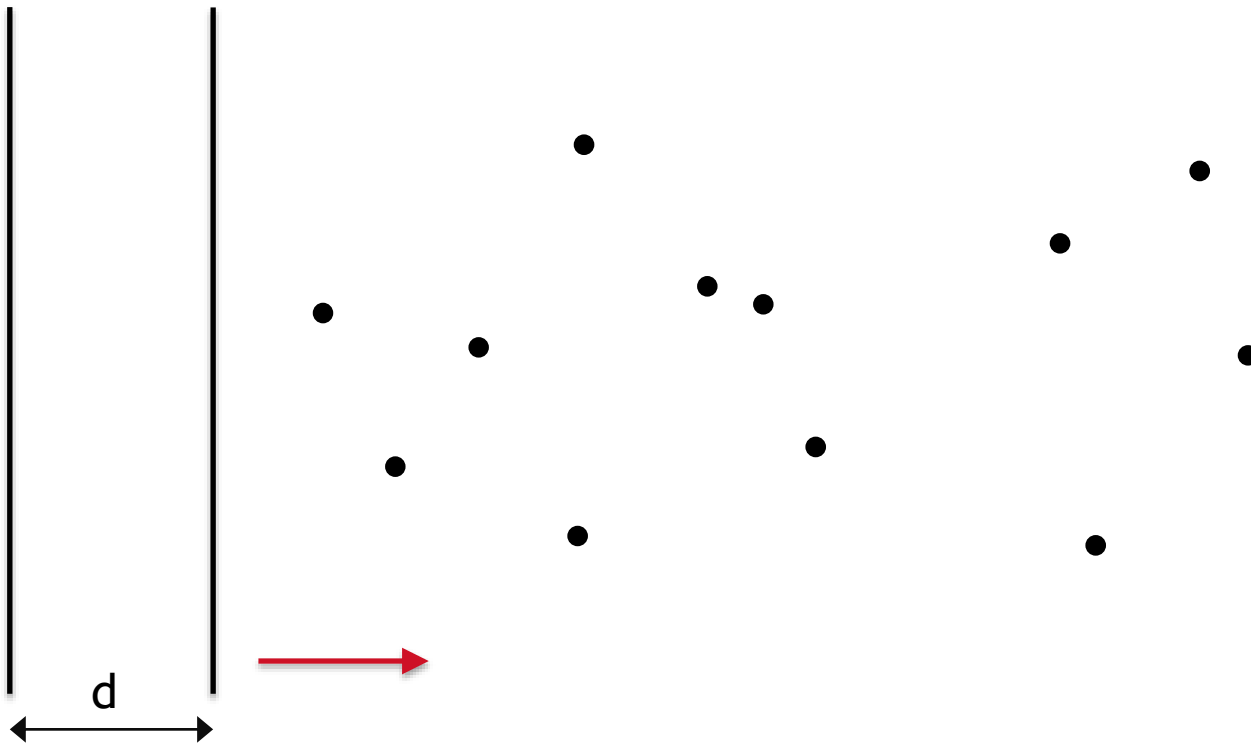
The sweepline algorithm utilies two sweeplines

Idea: We will use two parallel vertical sweep-lines: the front L_f and the back L_b .



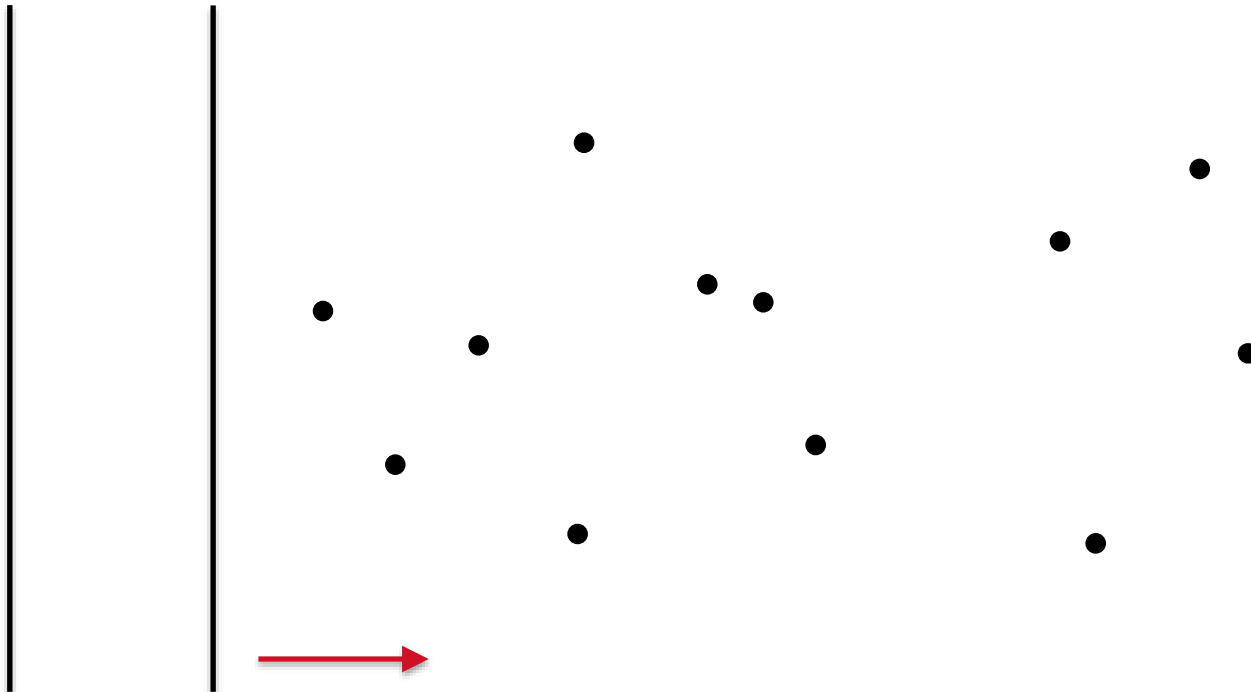


Invariant 1: The closest pair among the points to the left of L_f , and the distance d between this pair.



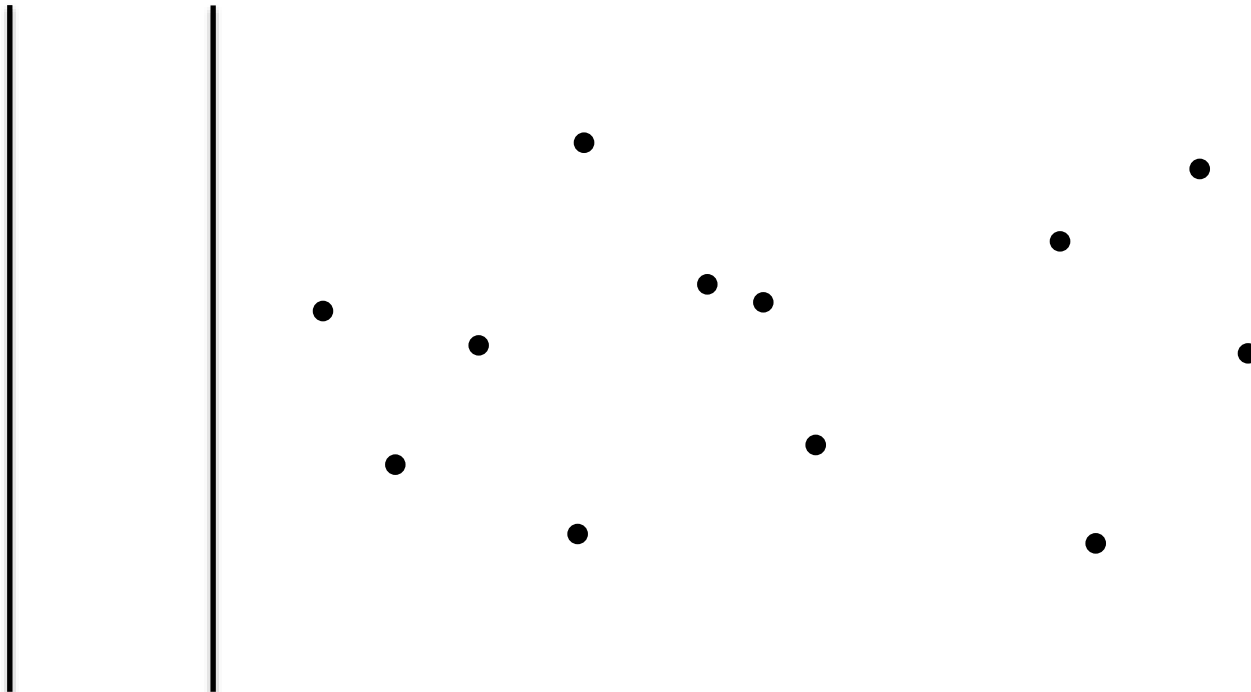


Invariant 2: A balanced binary search tree T storing all the points in S between L_f and L_b ordered from top to bottom. (status structure)





Initialise: $T = \emptyset$ and $d = \infty$.

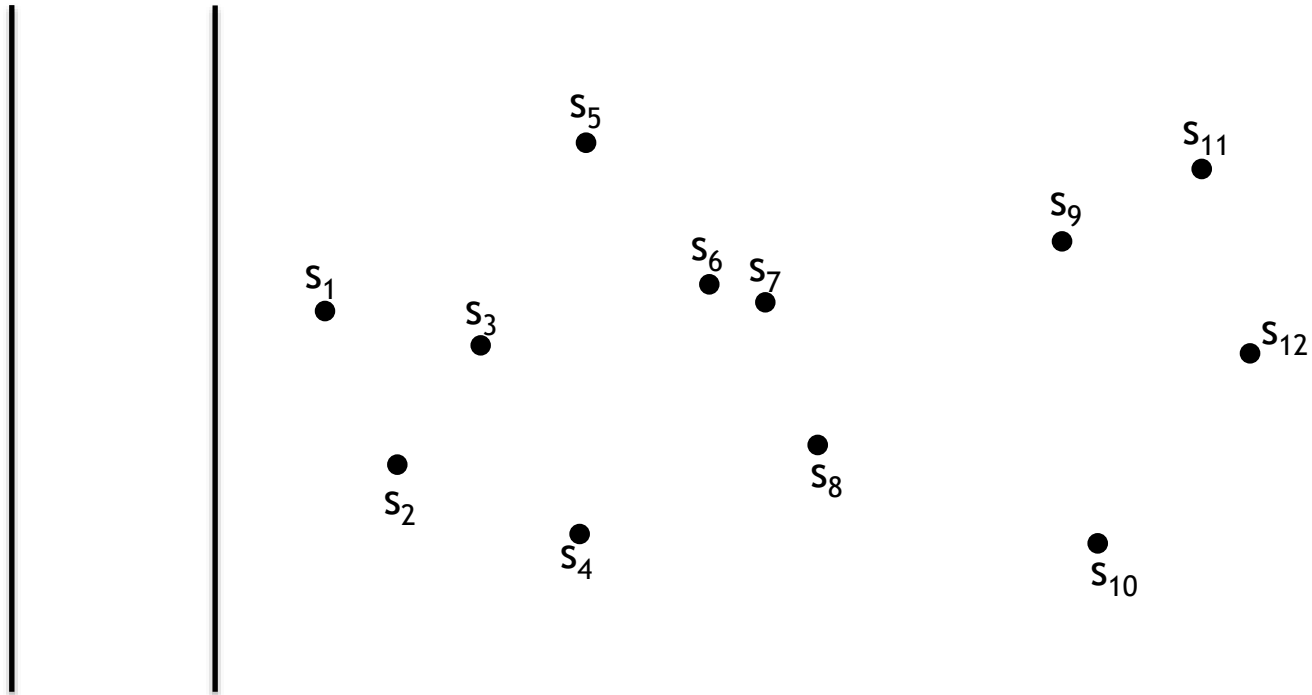




Closest Pair

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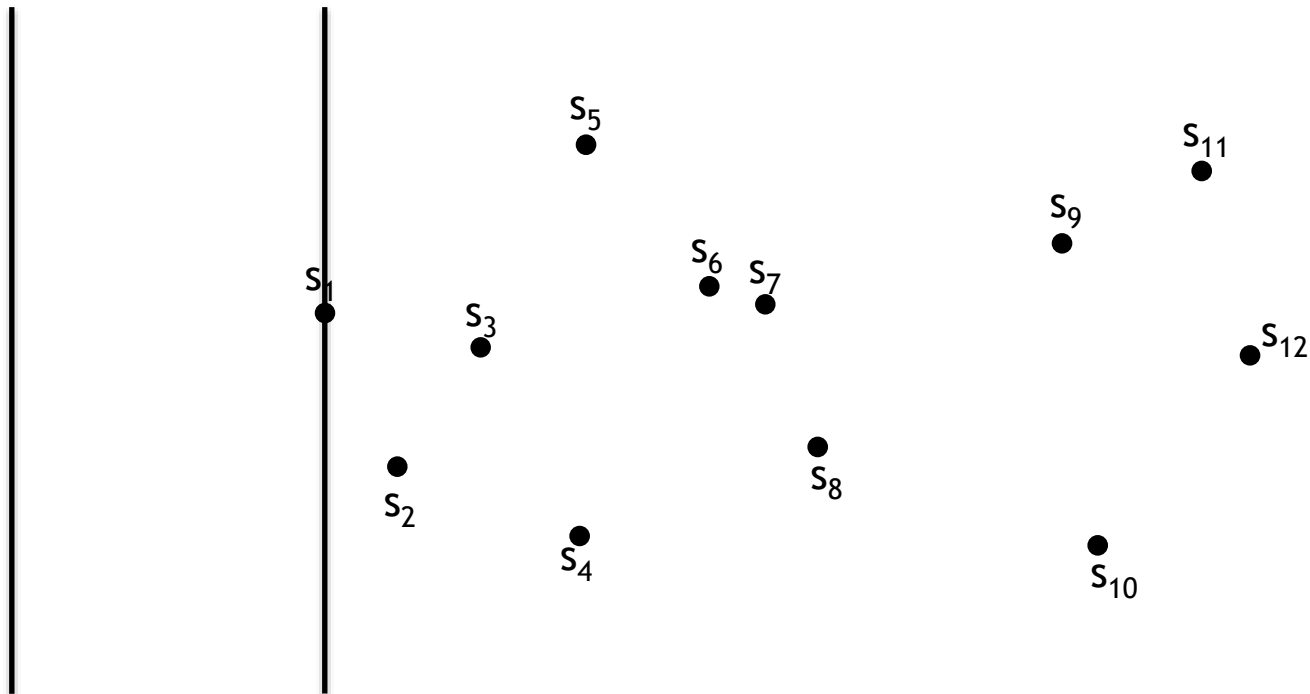
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Closest Pair

$T = s_1$
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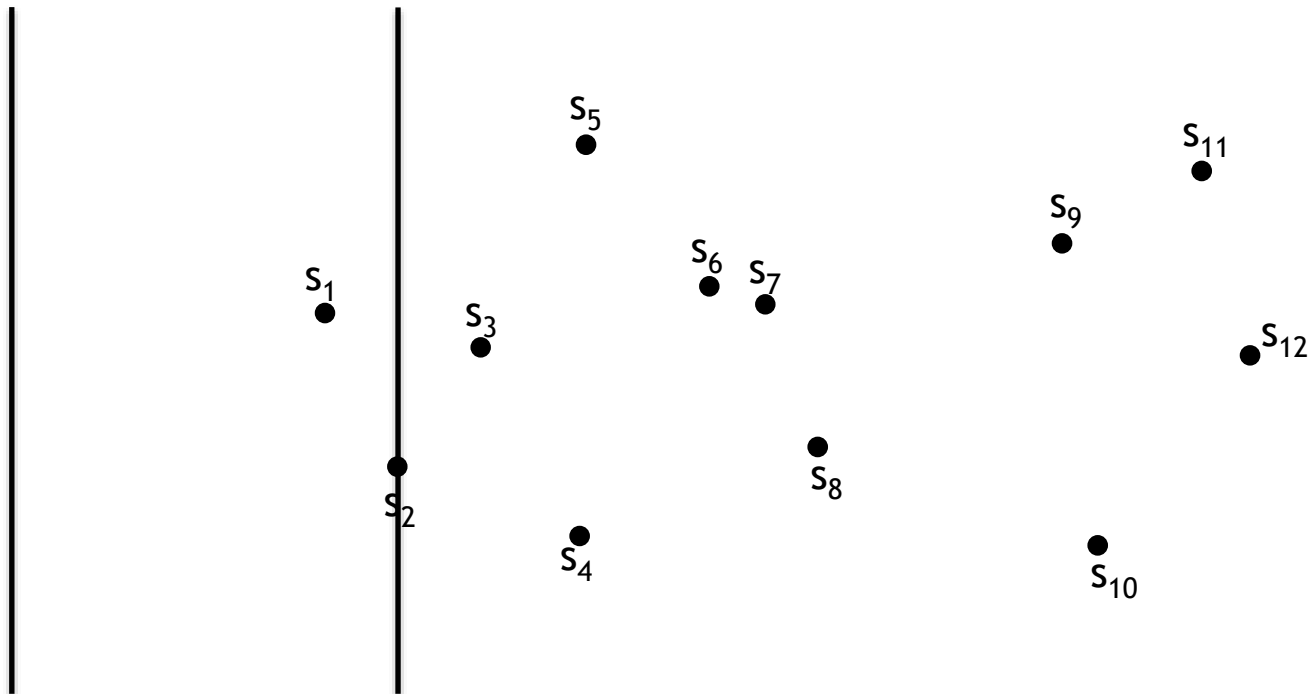




Closest Pair

$$T = s_1 s_2$$

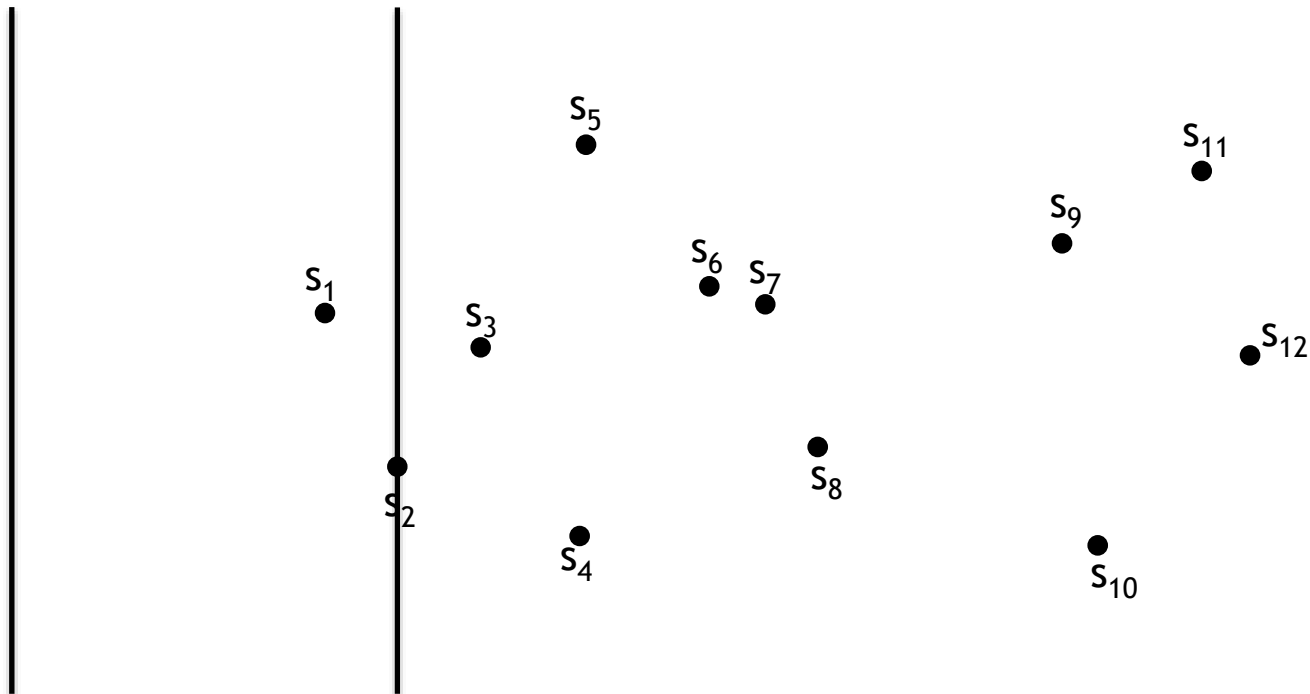
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$$d = |s_1 s_2|$$





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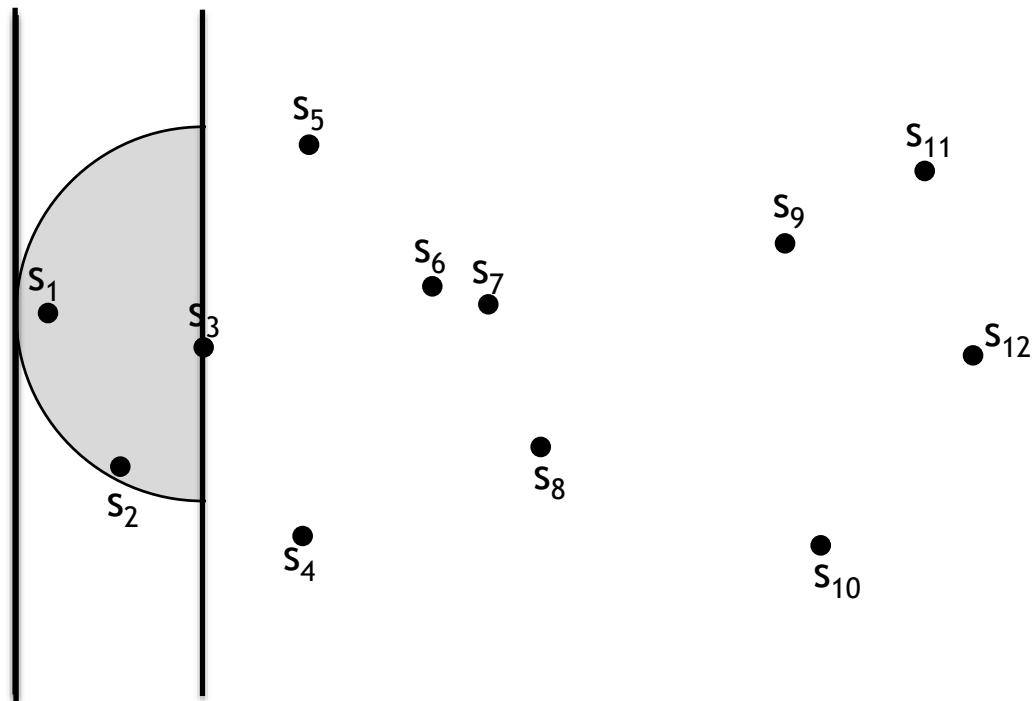
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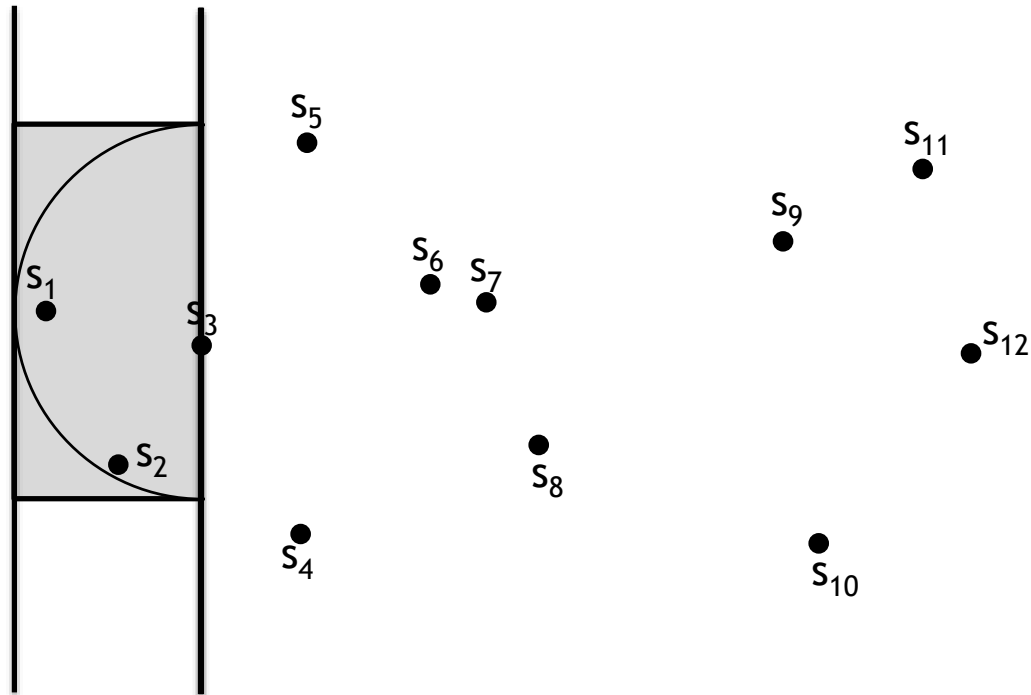
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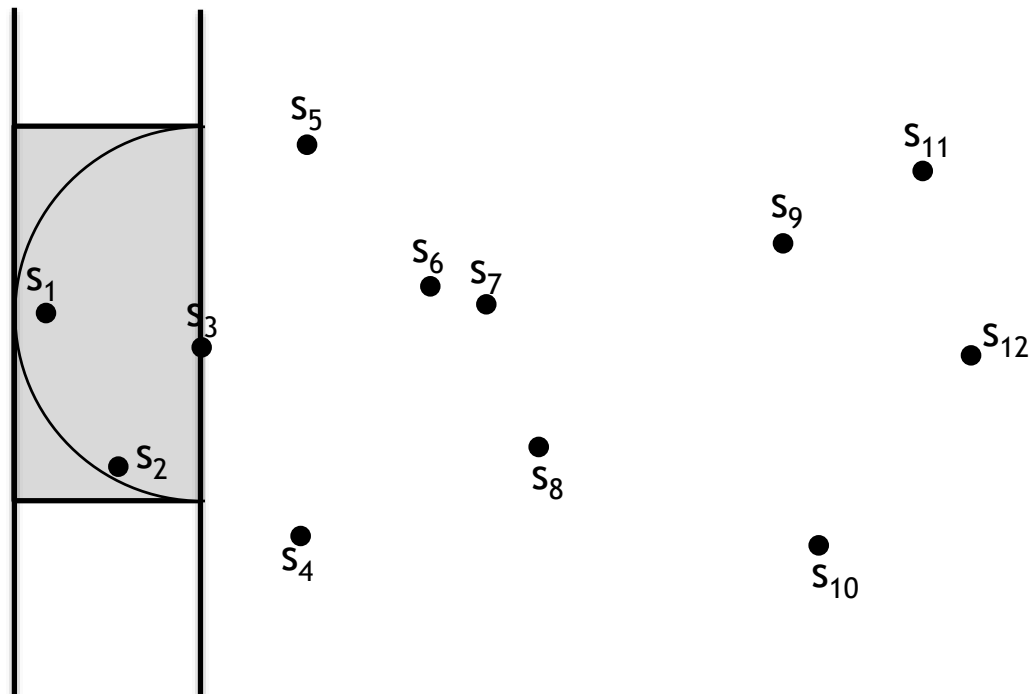
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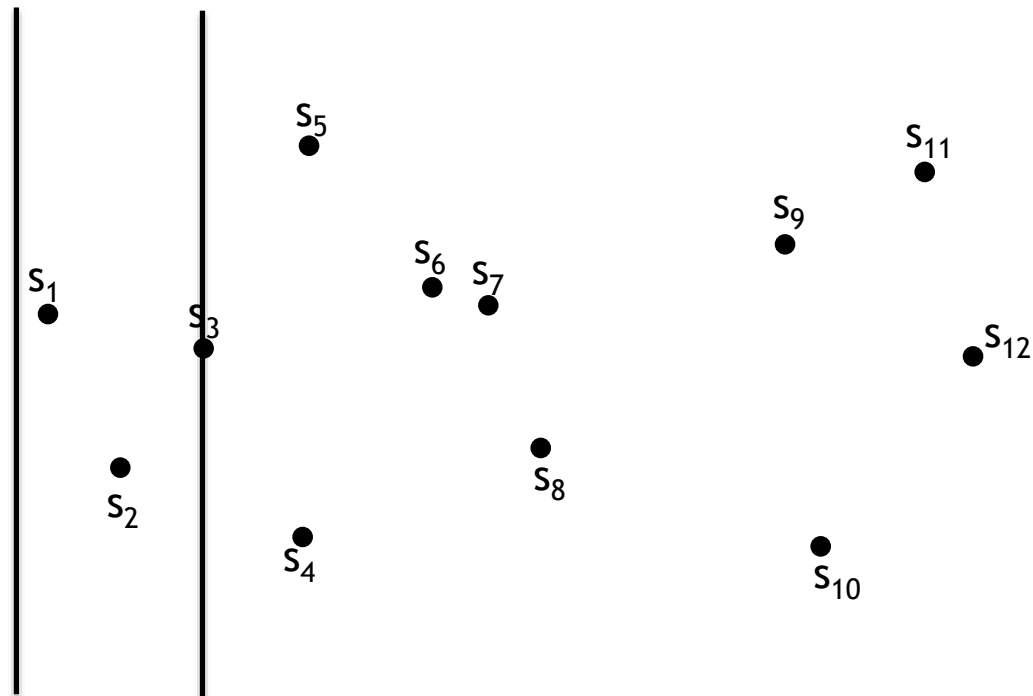
$$T = s_1 s_2$$
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Check all points in T within vertical distance d of s_3 .





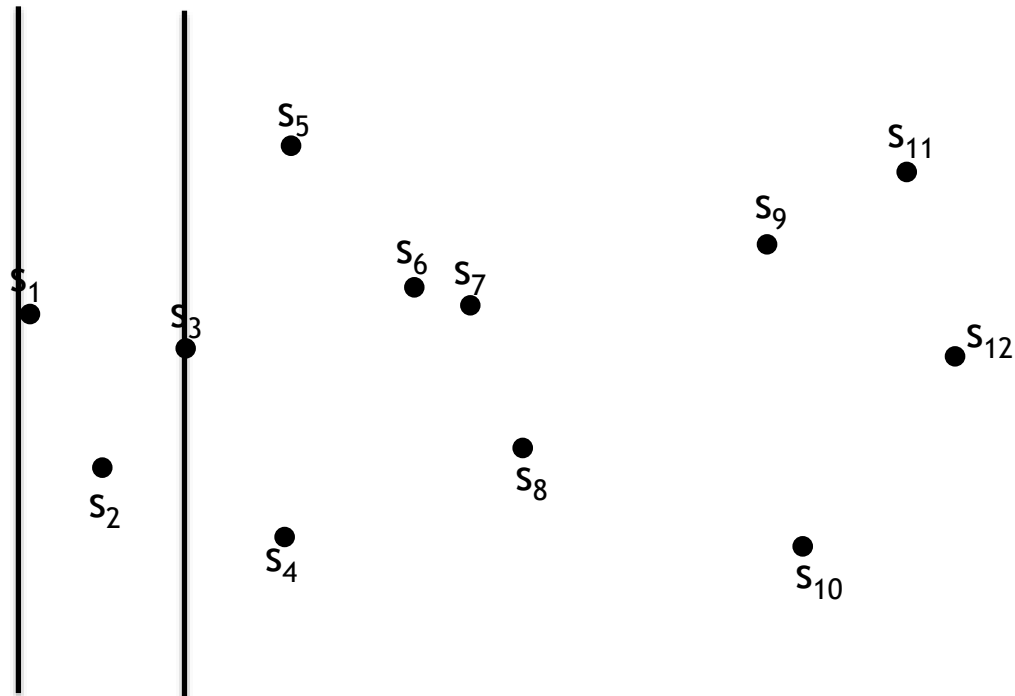
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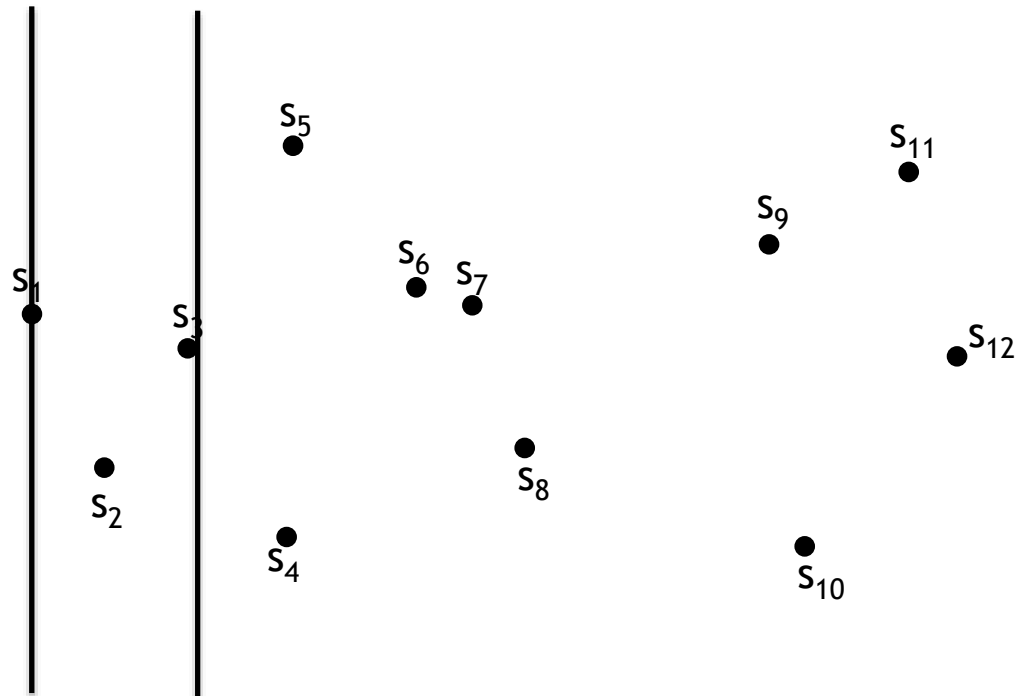
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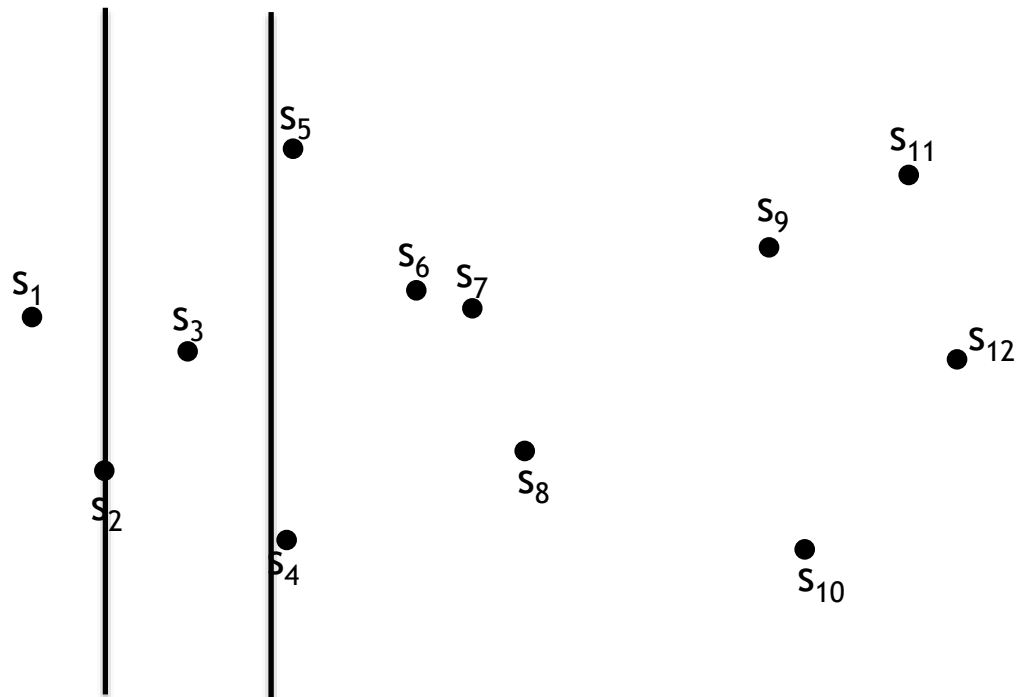
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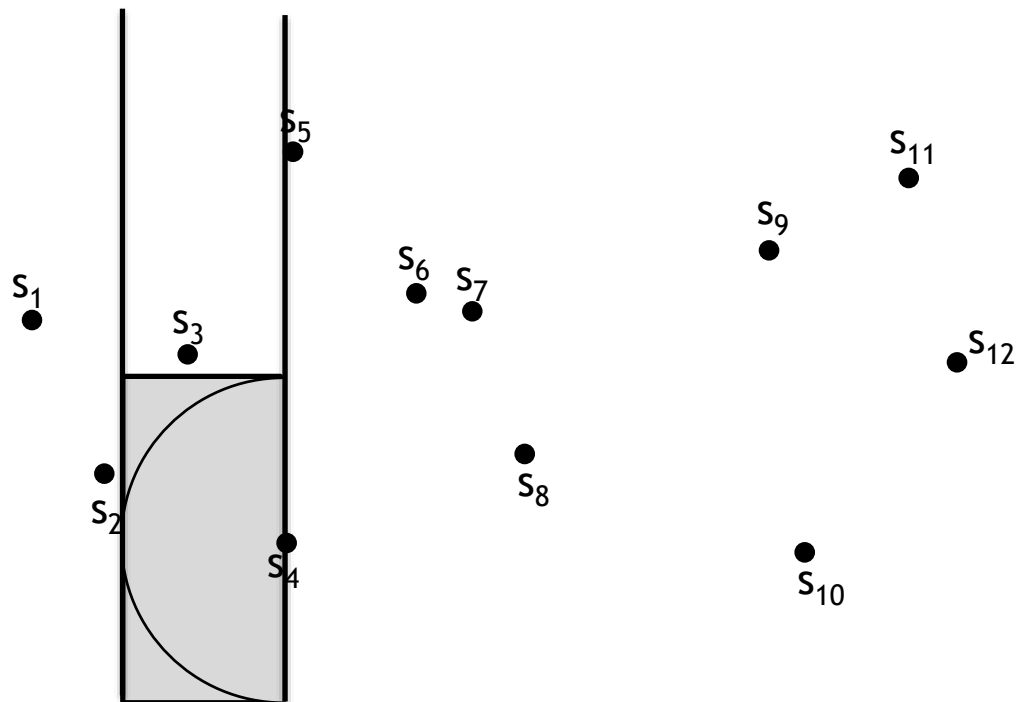
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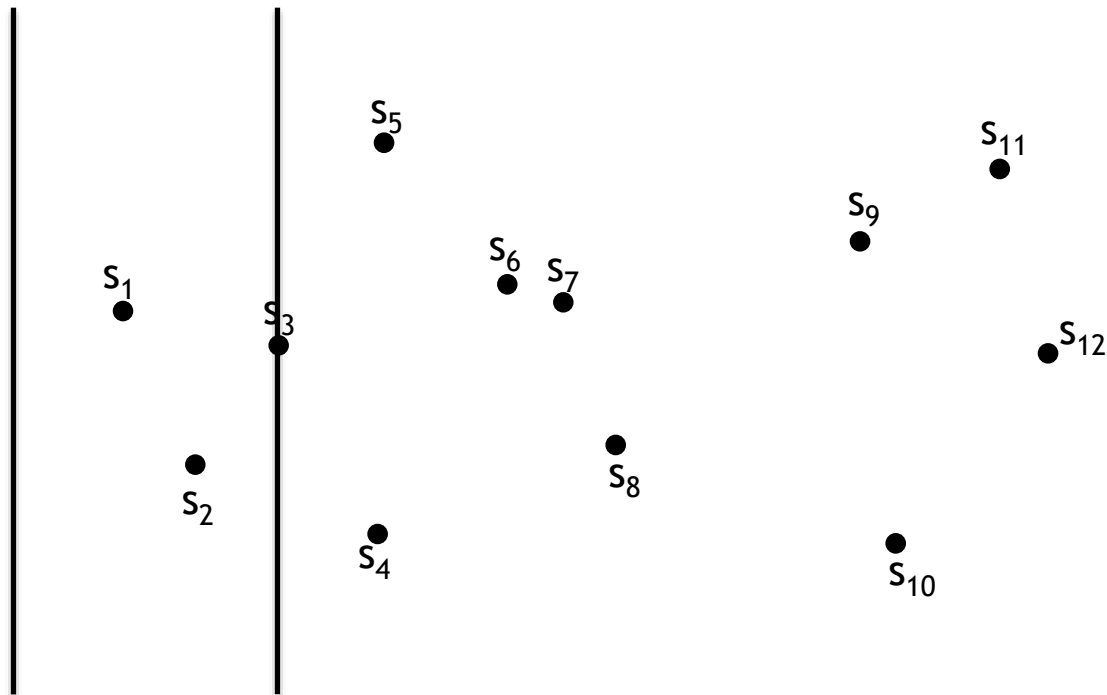
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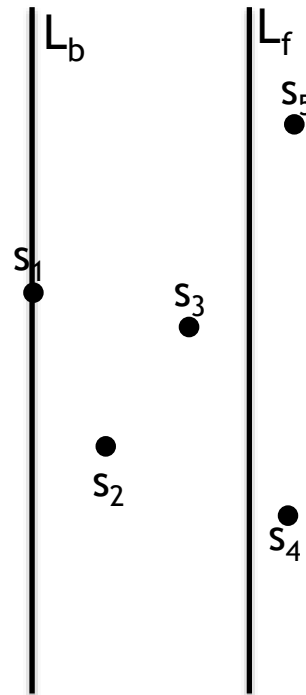




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Remove s from T .



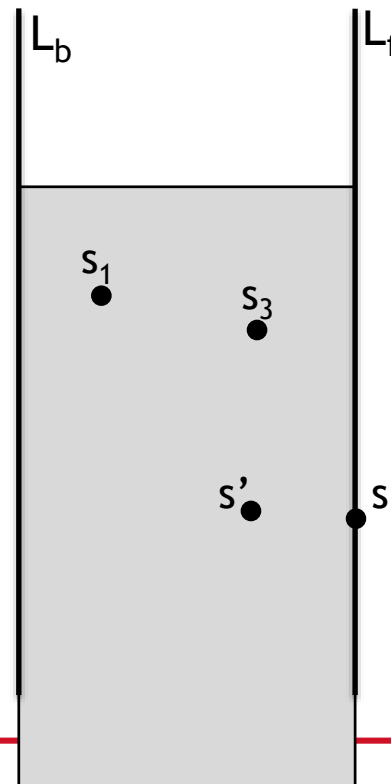


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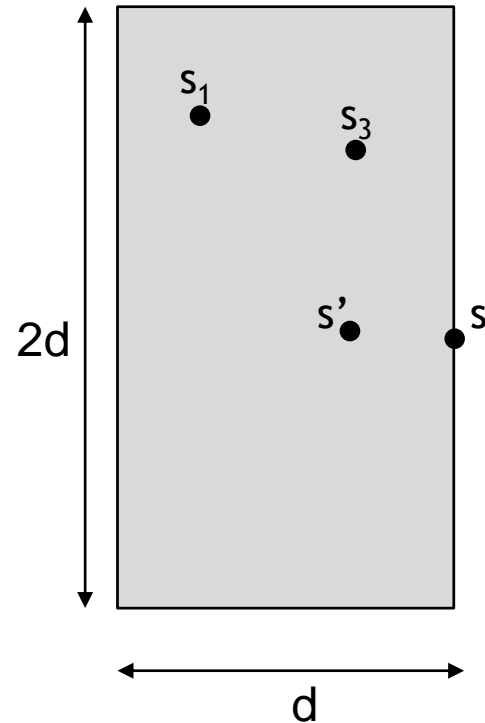
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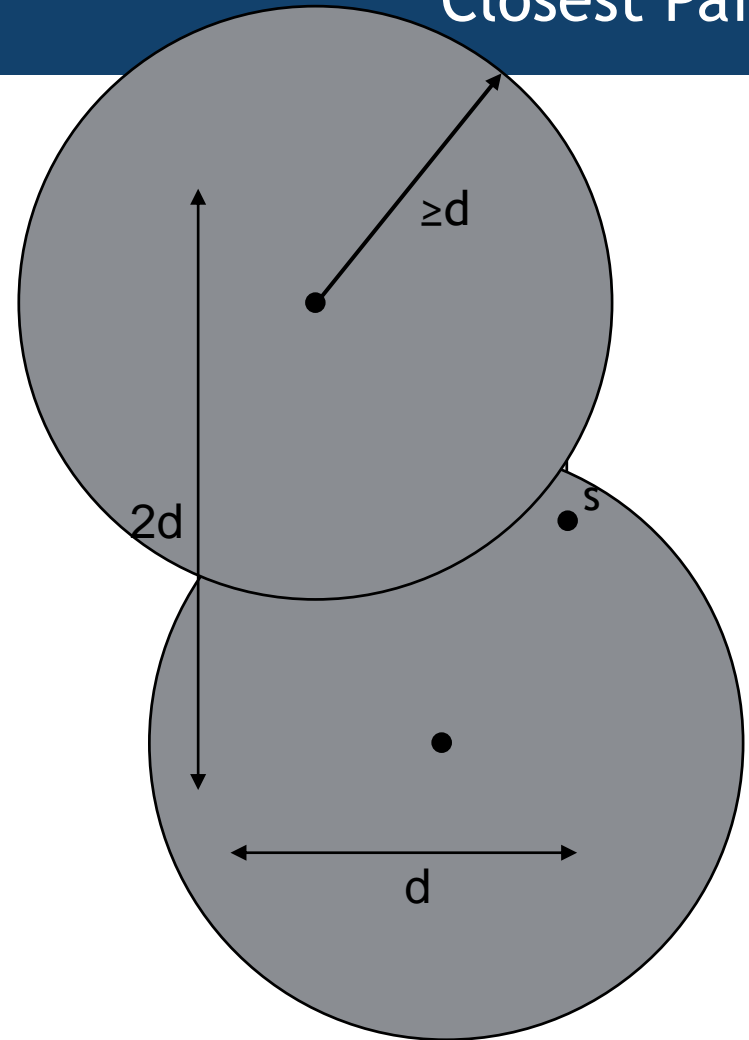




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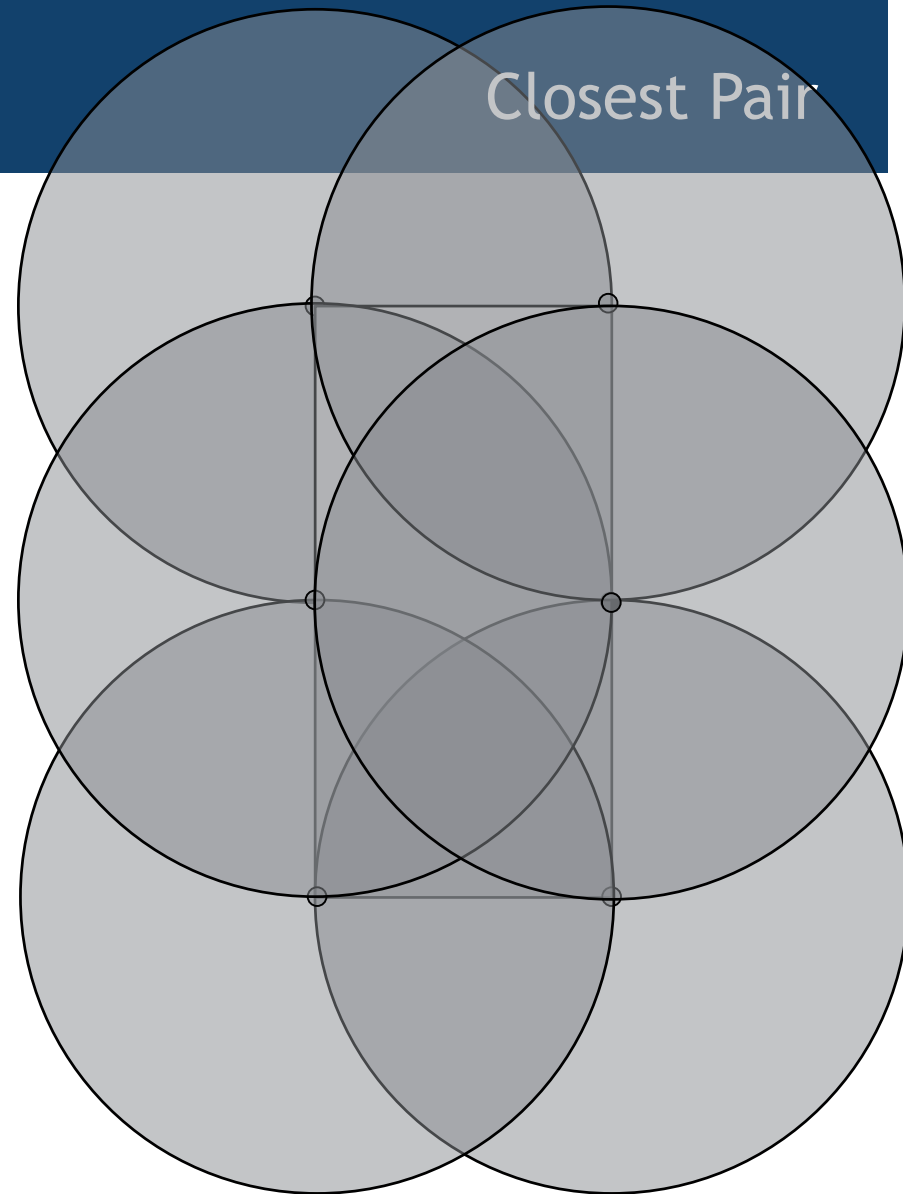


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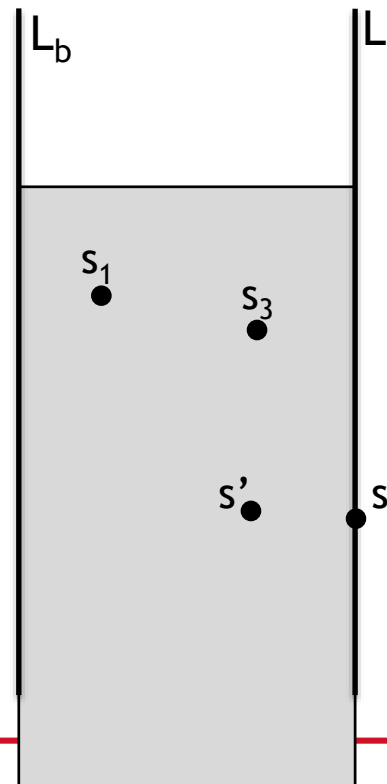


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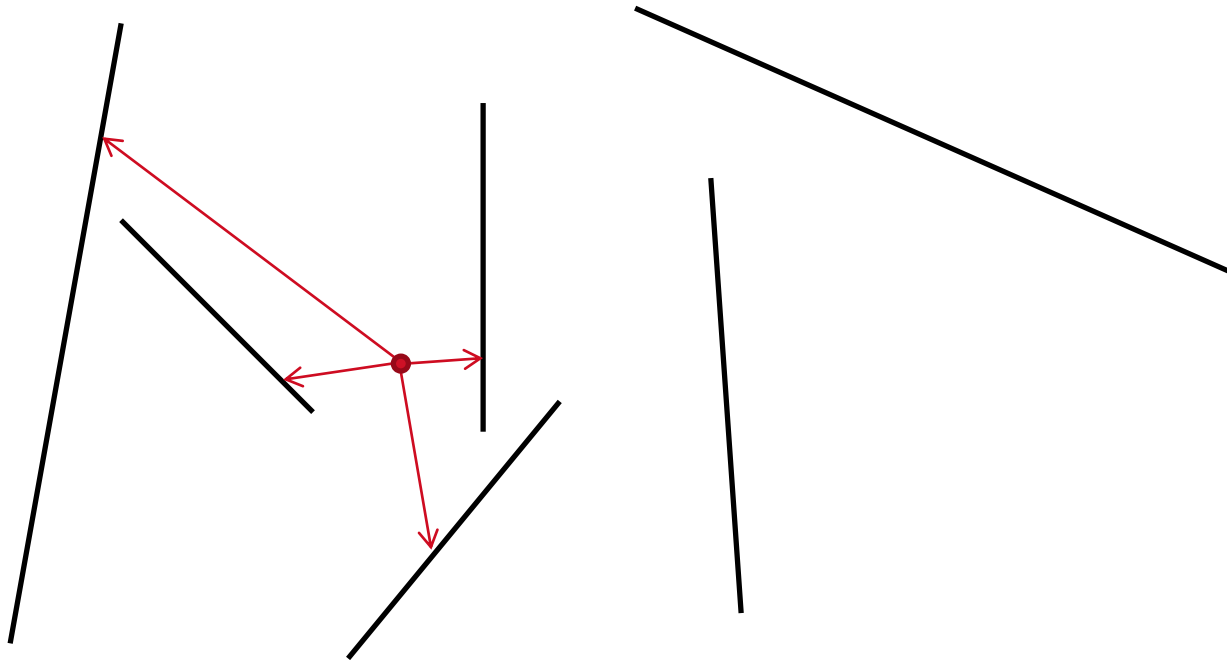


Theorem:

Given a set S of n points in the plane, the closest pair in S can be computed in $O(n \log n)$ time.

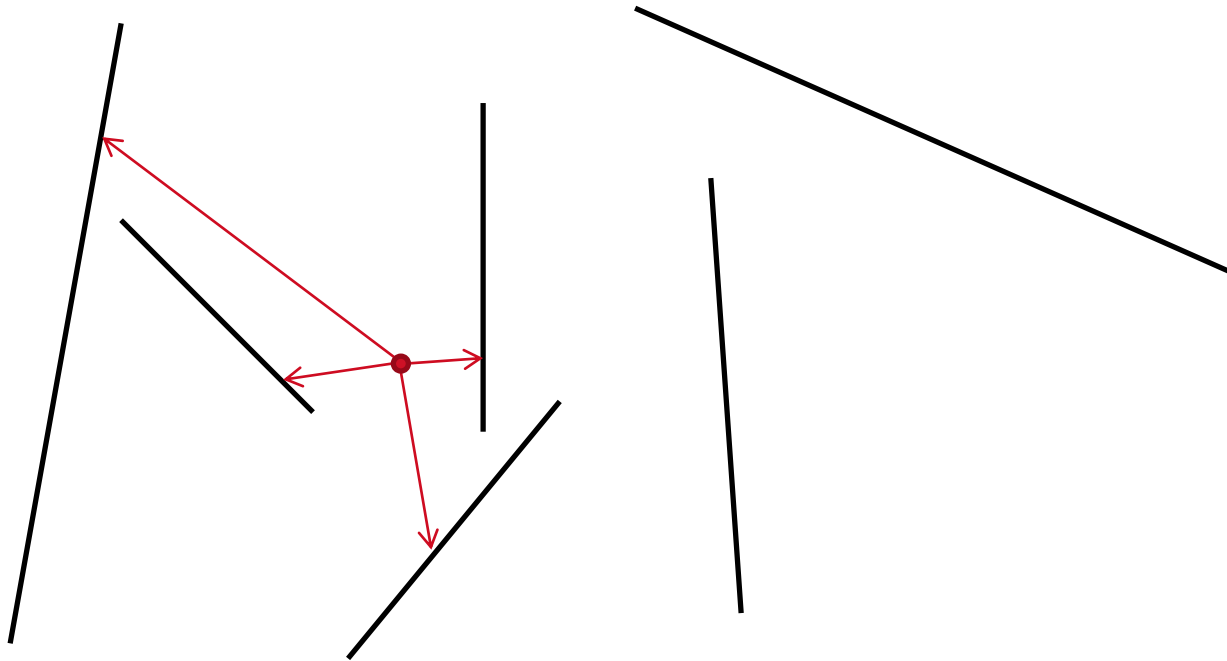


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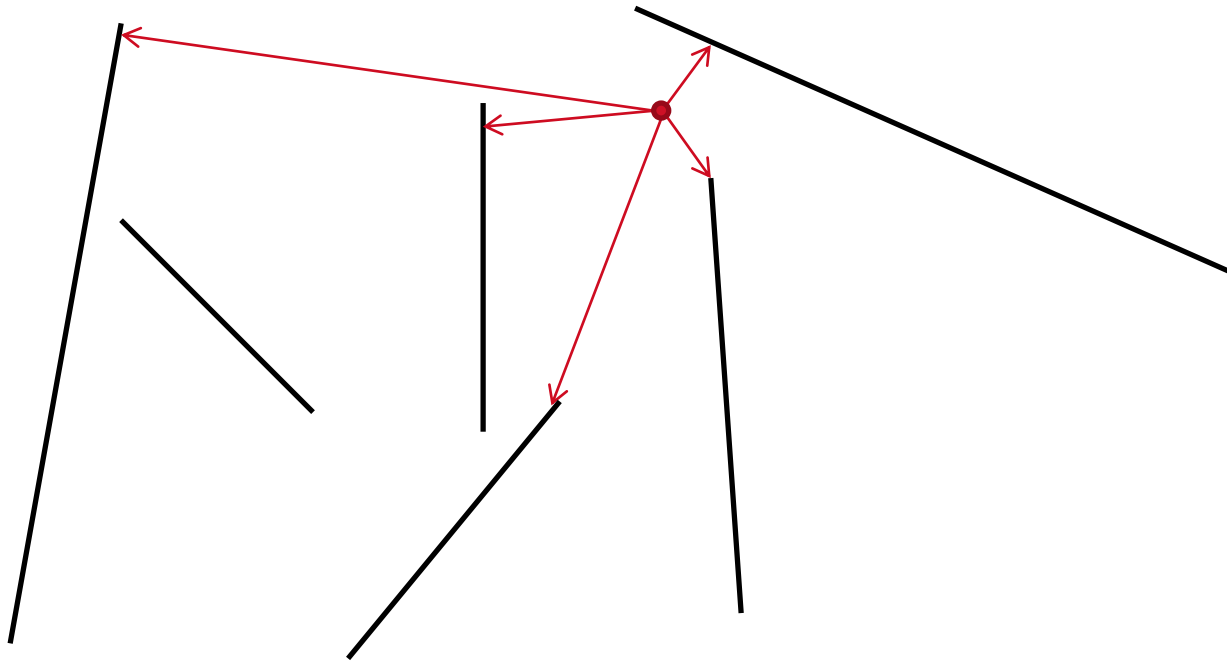
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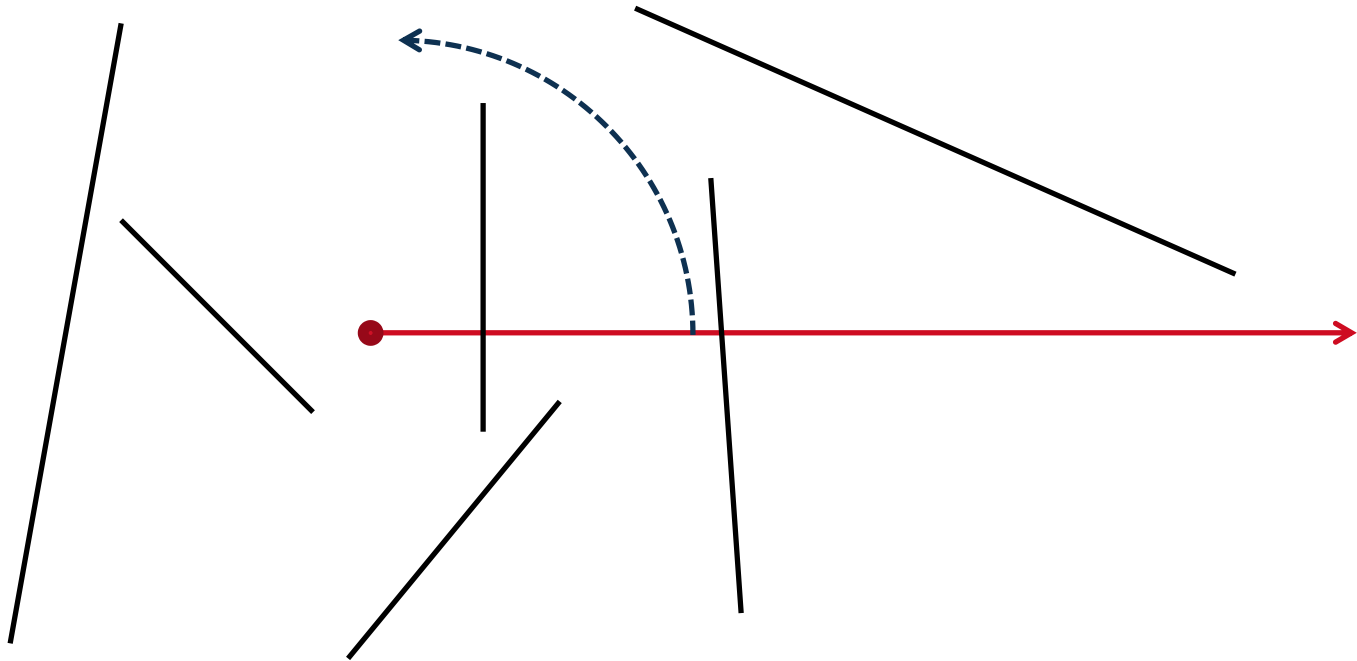
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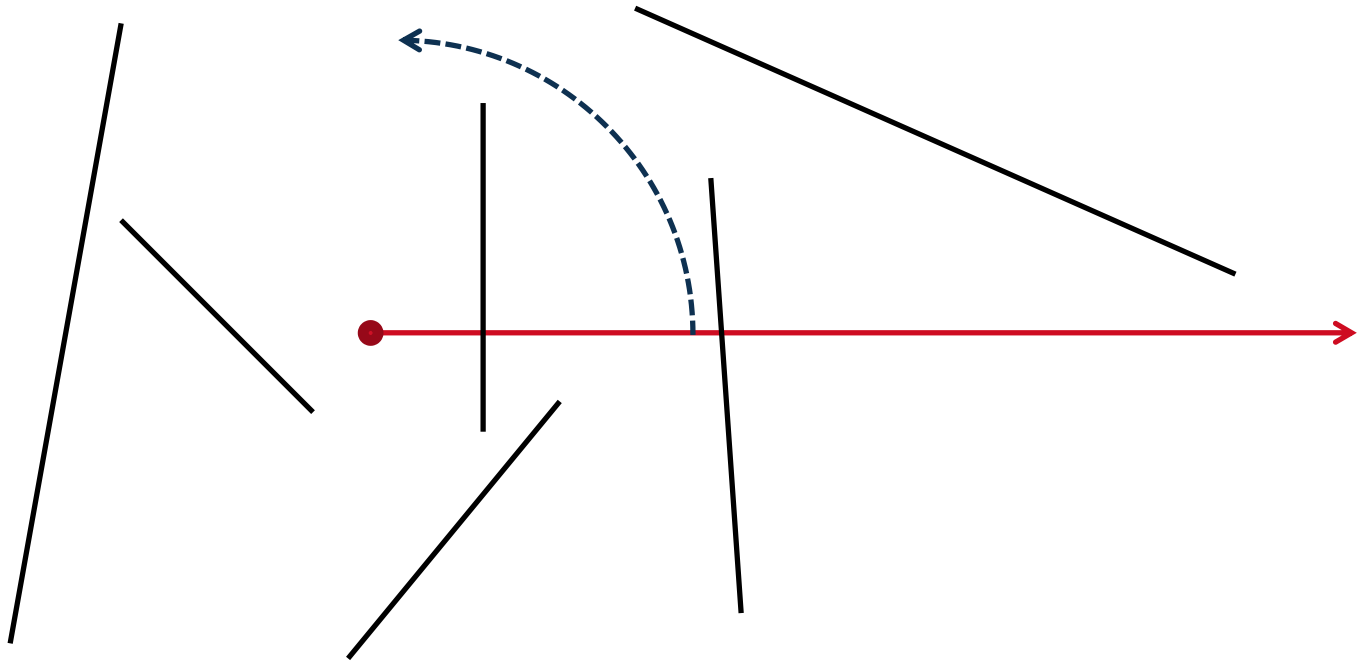
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Use sweepline approach. How?



Event points?

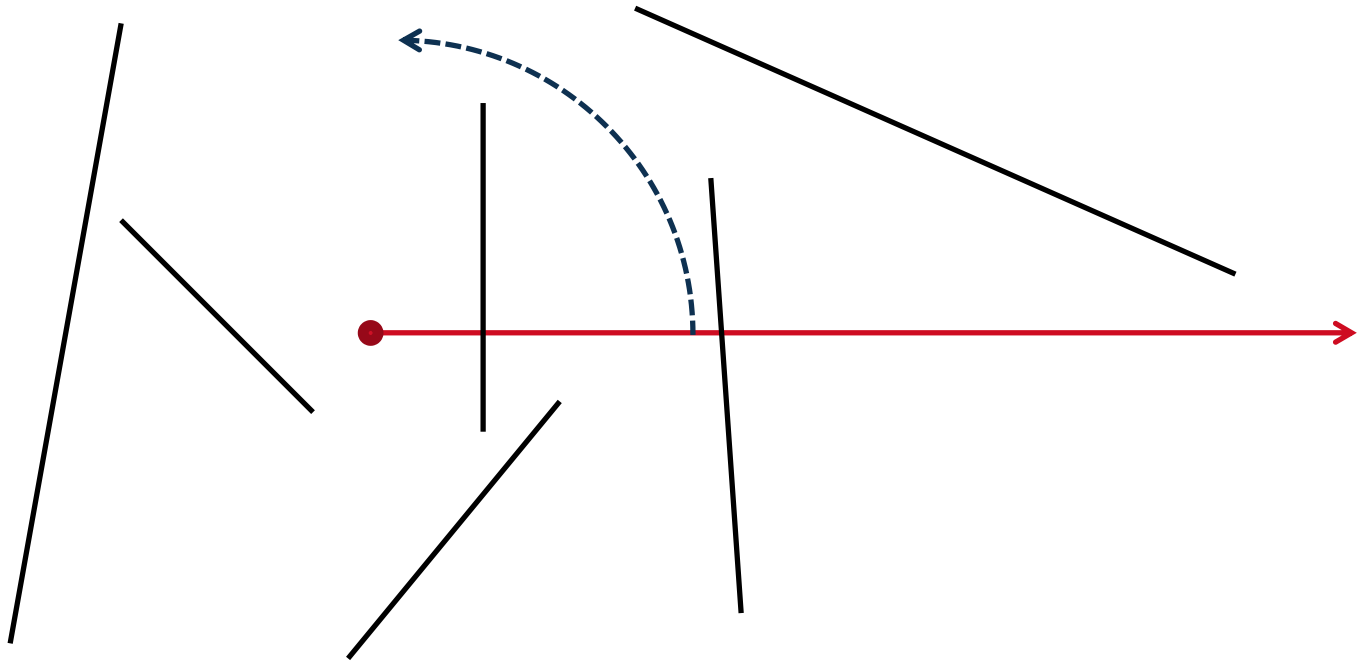
Consider a **radial sweep**. When can q see a new segment?



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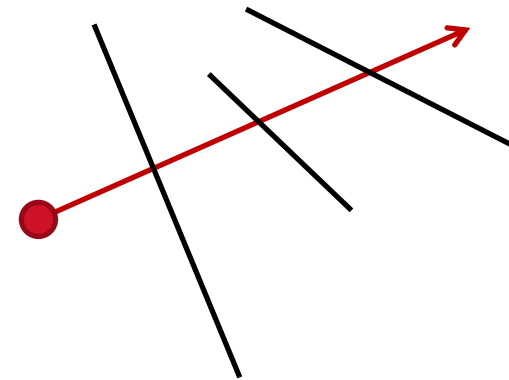
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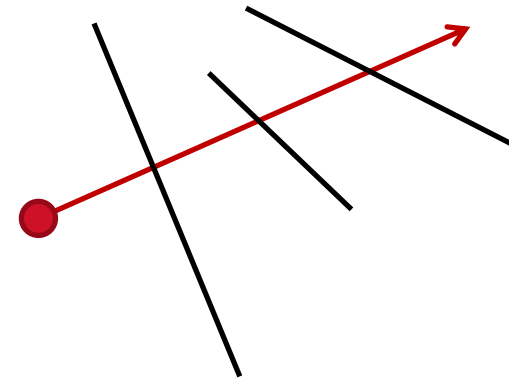
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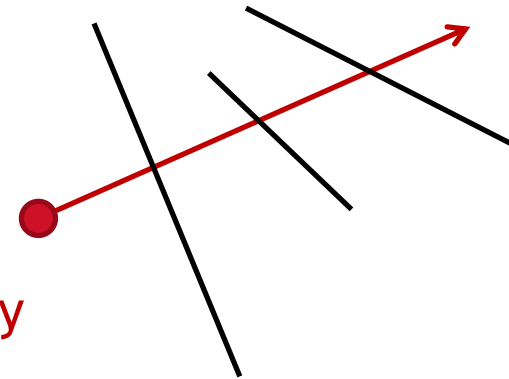
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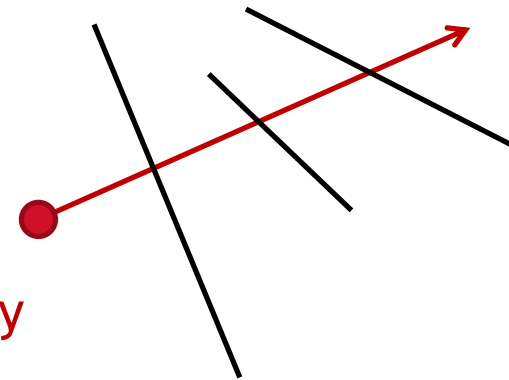
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Two cases:

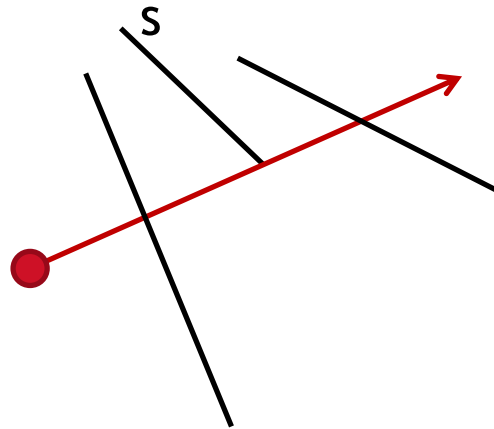
first endpoint of segment

last endpoint of segment

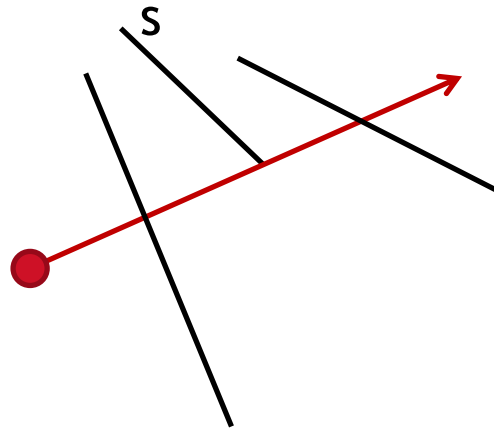


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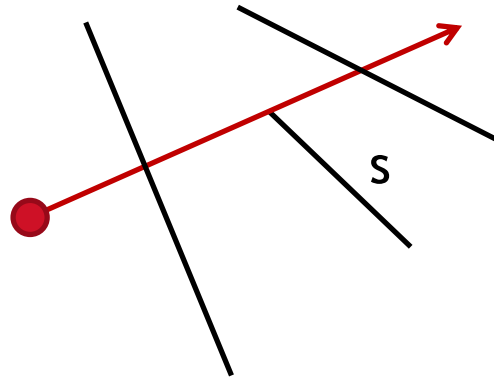


1. Insert new segment s in D .
2. If s is the first segment hit by the ray then report s .

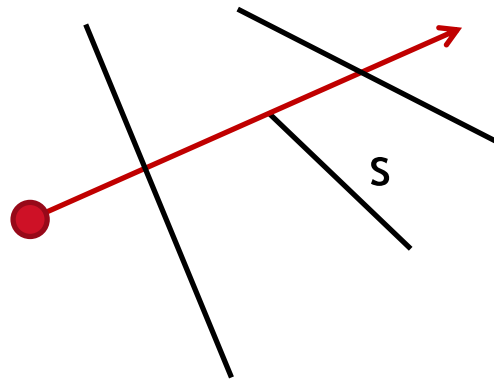


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Second endpoint: Assume order of segment along the ray is stored in a data structure D.



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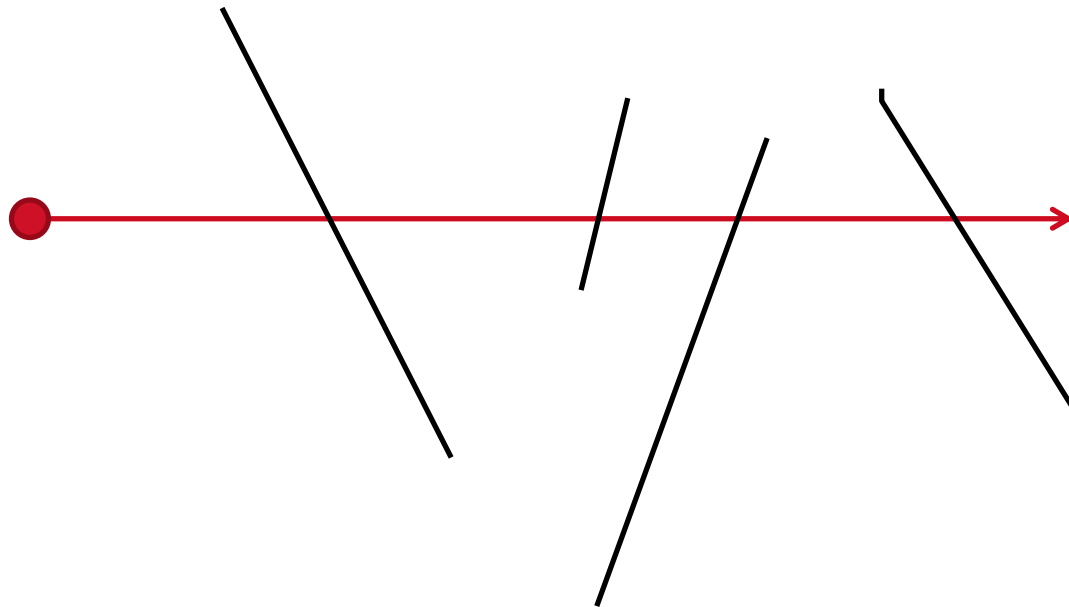
Second endpoint: delete + query = $O(\log n)$

Total: $O(n \log n)$

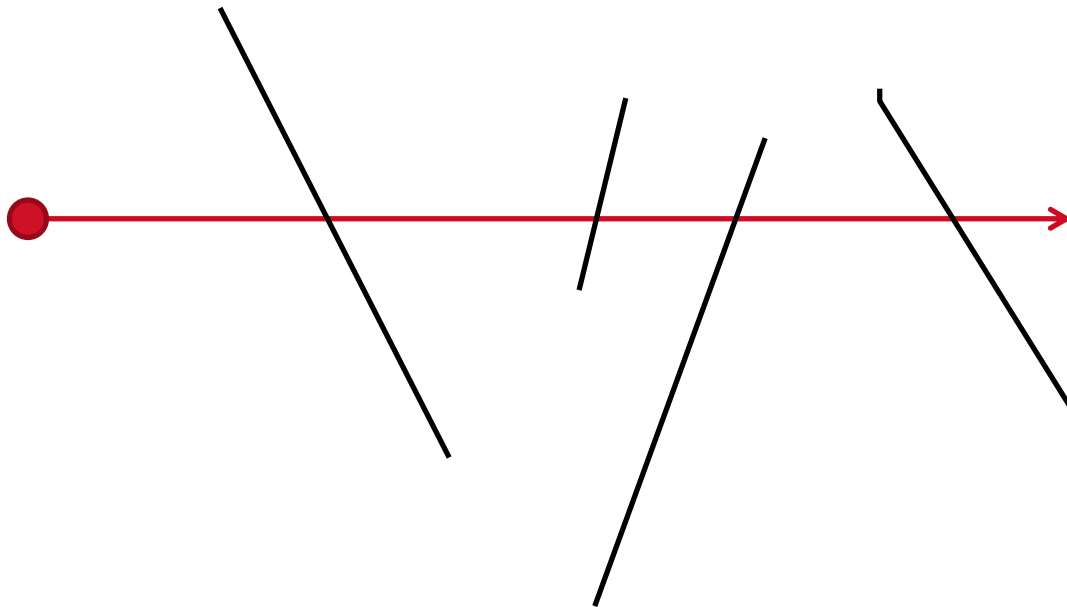


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Find all segments intersecting the ray. Sort wrt distance from q .

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› Segment intersection

http://www.cs.tufts.edu/comp/163/notes05/seg_intersection_handout.pdf

› Closest pair

<http://www.cs.mcgill.ca/~cs251/ClosestPair/ClosestPairPS.html>

› Convex hull

<https://www.cs.duke.edu/courses/fall08/cps230/Lectures/L-20.pdf>

and Section 1.6 in

<http://jeffe.cs.illinois.edu/teaching/compgeom/notes/01-convexhull.pdf>