

Report for Computer GraphicII, HW2

2D Skeleton extraction by Chordal Axis Transform (CAT)

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You should answer the questions in **English**

You can choose C++ or Python, and no restrictions on programming framework. You can freely use frameworks such as OpenGL.

The **report** submits as a PDF file to gradscope, the programming part should package all the files include code, input files, executable file, readme.txt, and report. The **package** name is **your_student_name+student_id.zip**.

You will get Zero if the code not passing the plagiarism check.

1 2D Skeleton extraction by CAT

1.1 Delaunay Triangulation (40 points)

Implement 2D Delaunay Triangulation for any given sampling points. You are required to provide at least five examples (sample on the contours of some 2D shapes) and corresponding DT visualization.

Solution: The algorithm is from the paper¹ and refer to the note². Pseudo code is as fig. 1 shown.

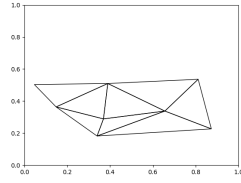
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subroutine triangulate
input : vertex list
output : triangle list
    initialize the triangle list
    determine the supertriangle
    add supertriangle vertices to the end of the vertex list
    add the supertriangle to the triangle list
    for each sample point in the vertex list
        initialize the edge buffer
        for each triangle currently in the triangle list
            calculate the triangle circumcircle center and radius
            if the point lies in the triangle circumcircle then
                add the three triangle edges to the edge buffer
                remove the triangle from the triangle list
            endif
        endfor
        delete all doubly specified edges from the edge buffer
        this leaves the edges of the enclosing polygon only
        add to the triangle list all triangles formed between the point
        and the edges of the enclosing polygon
    endfor
    remove any triangles from the triangle list that use the supertriangle vertices
    remove the supertriangle vertices from the vertex list
end
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Figure 1: The pseudo code of DT, which is from the paper¹.

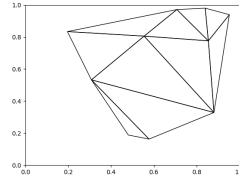
The result as fig. 2 shown, it contains five examples figs. 2a to 2e, which are generated by DT with different numbers of random points.

¹<http://paulbourke.net/papers/triangulate/>

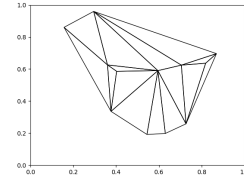
²<https://www.jianshu.com/p/172749e6116a>



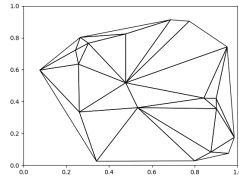
(a) DT with 8 random points.



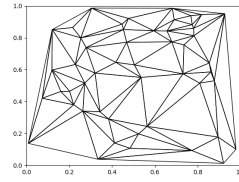
(b) DT with 10 random points.



(c) DT with 12 random points.



(d) DT with 20 random points.



(e) DT with 50 random points.

Figure 2: Five examples of DT.

1.2 CAT (30 points)

Implement CAT and visualize the skeleton results of the above examples.

Solution: The implementation uses *Triangle*³ module to help generating input data, implementing CDT algorithm and visualization.

The implementation have four step.

- (1) Use *Triangle* to generate the input data which is a face.
- (2) Use *Triangle.triangulate()* to generate CDT.
- (3) Traverse⁴ the triangles and divide them into three kinds. They independently have one, two, or three edges on the boundary.
- (4) Use the CAT algorithm in the 3rd slide to connect the middle points of the edges.

³<https://rufat.be/triangle/>

⁴The algorithm refers to the 10th page of the paper: <https://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/download?doi=10.1.1.57.3204&rep=rep1&type=pdf>

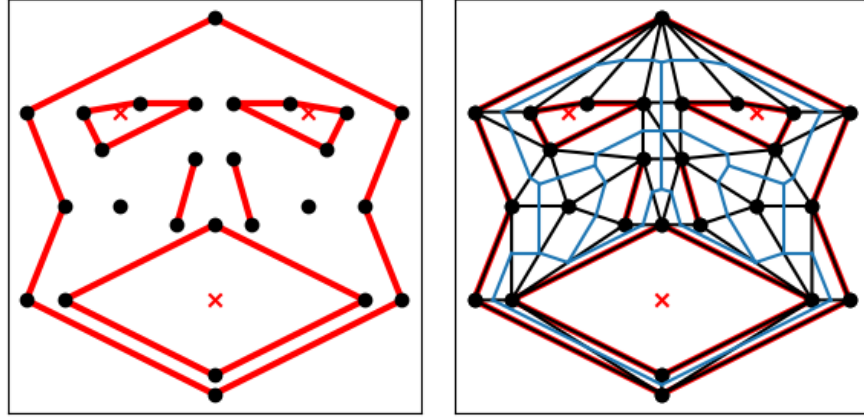
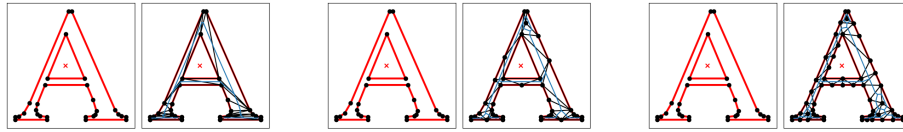


Figure 3: The result of Q2.

1.3 Comparison (30 points)

Compare and analyze the skeleton generated by CAT and by the connected centers of circumcircles of DT triangles on different sampling densities on the contours of 2D shapes.

Solution: By using *Triangle* to generate different numbers of triangles. The result as figs. 4 and 5 shown, by limiting the minimum angle of triangles, we could obtain the different numbers of triangles. And the result figure out that more triangles do not necessarily lead to the best results. CAT can achieve better results with the least number of triangles.

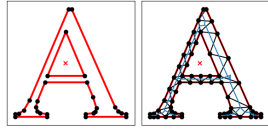


(a) The result of CDT with 29 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 0.

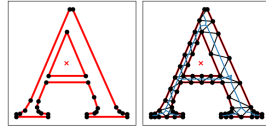
(b) The result of CDT with 43 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 10.

(c) The result of CDT with 77 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 20.

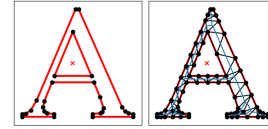
Figure 4: CAT: The different numbers of triangles by limiting the minimum angle of triangles.



(a) The result of DT with 66 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 0.



(b) The result of DT with 66 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 10.



(c) The result of DT with 82 triangles and the minimum angle of triangles is 20.

Figure 5: DT: The different numbers of triangles by limiting the minimum angle of triangles.