

Outer Billiard Report

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Abstract

This report gives a briefly look about our code and progress in the “Outer Billiard” project.

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6.1 Function

```
kcmss
1 (*
2 Create a point of reflection over a middle point
3 Usage: reflectPoint[{outPoint},{middlePoint}]]
4 *)
5 reflectPoint[outPoint_?ListQ,middlePoint_?ListQ]:= (
6 xMove = -(outPoint[[1]] - middlePoint[[1]]);
7 yMove = -(outPoint[[2]] - middlePoint[[2]]);
8 {middlePoint[[1]] + xMove, middlePoint[[2]] + yMove}
9 )
```

6.2 Main program

```
kcmss
1 (*-----*)
2 Manipulate[
3 (* Create the first equilateral triangle *)
4 triangle1=Polygon[CirclePoints[3]];
5 xA=0;yA=1; pointA={xA,yA}; textA=Text["A",{0.1,1}];
6 xB=-(Sqrt[3]/2);yB=-(1/2); pointB={xB,yB}; textB =
7   ↳ Text["B",{ -0.92,-0.54}];
8   xC=Sqrt[3]/2; yC=-(1/2); pointC={xC,yC}; textC = Text[
9     ↳ "C",{ 0.92,-0.54}];
10
11 (* Creating a point K randomly *)
12 (*
13 xK=RandomReal[{ -4,4}];yK=RandomReal[{ -4,4}];
14
15 While[(xB<xK<xC) || (yB<yK<yA),
16 xK=RandomReal[{ -4,4}];yK=RandomReal[{ -4,4}];
17 ]
18 *)
19 xK;yK; pointK={xK,yK}; textK=Text["K",{xK+0.1,yK
20   ↳ +0.1}];
21 pointList={pointK};
22
23 (* Add everything to the plot2 initially *)
24 plot2={EdgeForm[Directive[Thick,Blue]], Directive[White
25   ↳ ], triangle1, Directive[Black], Point[pointA], Point
```

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    ↪ [pointB], Point [pointC], textA, textB, textC,
    ↪ PointSize [0.02], Point [pointK], textK};
22 (*Done creating a equilateral triangle*)
23
24 (*Add point to list*)
25 doCtimes; doCtimes=Floor [doCtimes];
26 Do [
27   If [Mod [Length [pointList], 3] == 1,
28     pointList=AppendTo [pointList, reflectPoint [Last [
    ↪ pointList], pointA]]]; ,
29   If [Mod [Length [pointList], 3] == 2,
30     pointList=AppendTo [pointList, reflectPoint [Last [
    ↪ pointList], pointB]]]; ,
31   pointList=AppendTo [pointList, reflectPoint [Last [
    ↪ pointList], pointC]]];
32 ]
33 ]
34 , doCtimes];
35 plot3={Blue, Point [pointList], Black, Line [pointList]};
36 plot4={plot2, plot3};
37
38 (*Export the result*)
39 Show [Graphics [plot4], Axes→ True, AxesStyle→Black]
40 (*—————*)
41
42 ,{{xK, 2, "x-coordinate"}, -5, 5}, {{yK, 2, "y-coordinate"
    ↪ }, -5, 5}, {{doCtimes, 3, "Number_of_movements"
    ↪ }, 0, 10}

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