

# Computational Geometry: Triangulation

Analysis and Design  
of Advance  
Algorithms

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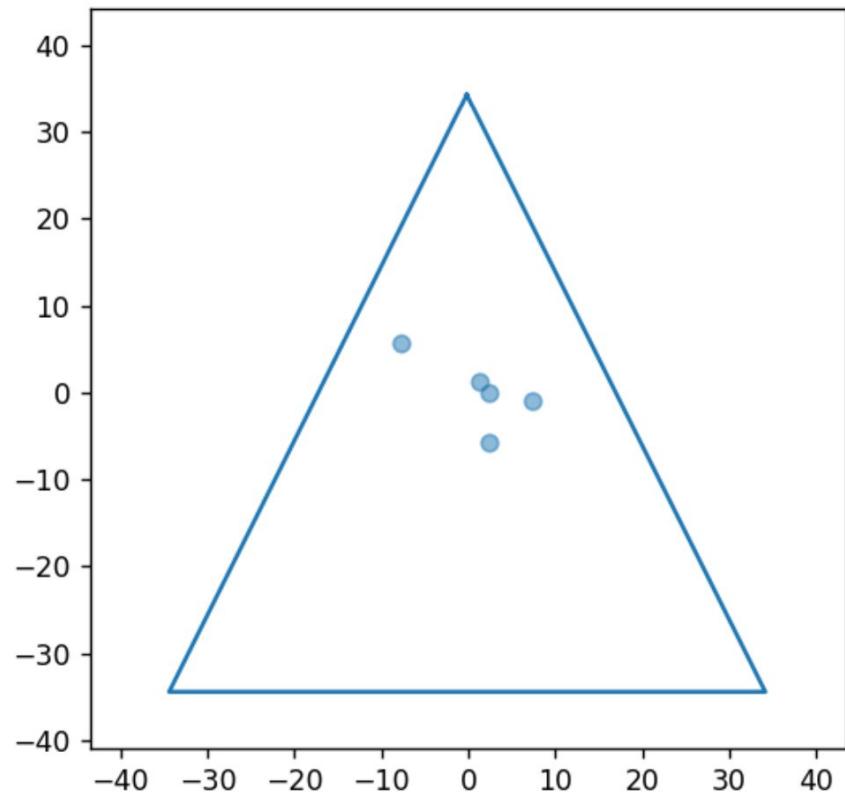
# Problem 1: Points and triangles

The problem:

With a set of points with coordinates  $x, y$

How would you create a triangle so that all the points are found inside?

The points given are NOT part of any of the vertices of the triangle



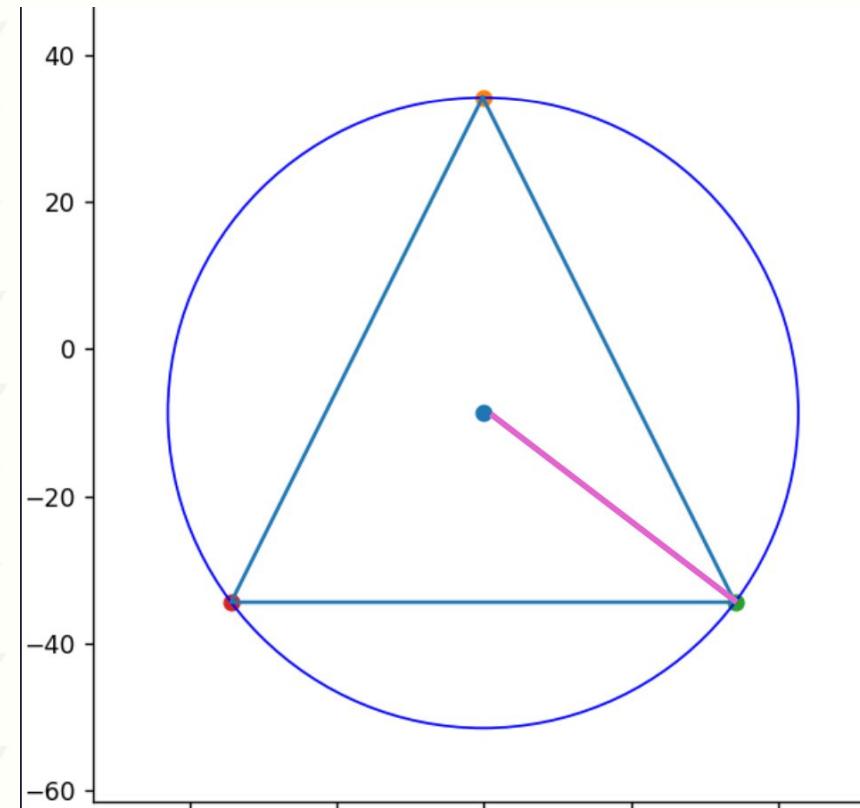
## Problem 2: The circumscribed circle

The problem:

Given 3 points.

How would you create a circle so that the 3 points are PART of the circumference?

Note that the center of the circle could be outside of the triangle formed by the 3 points.



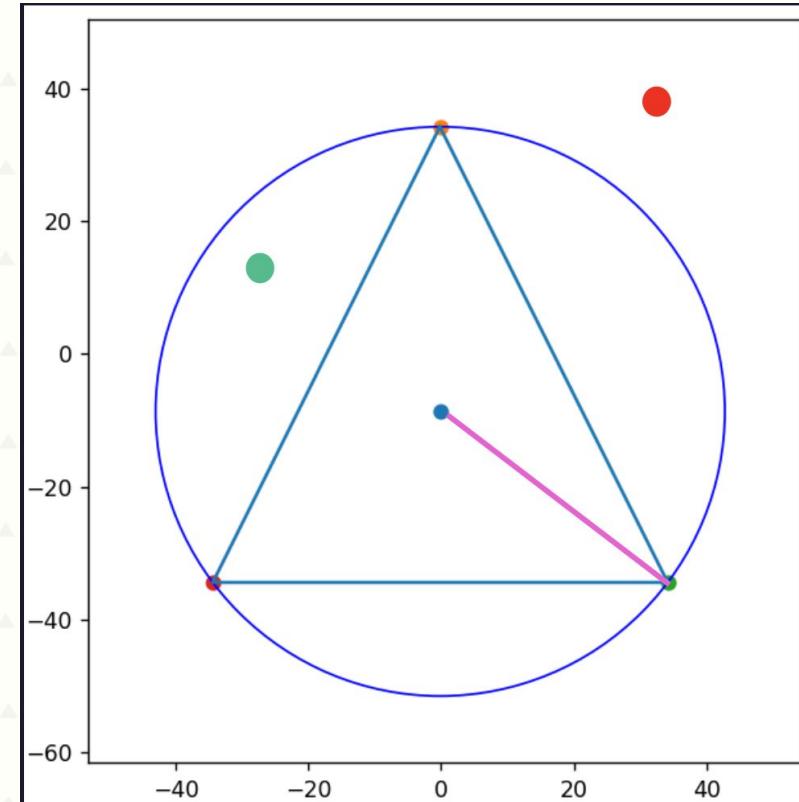
# Problem 3: Points inside of circles.

## The problem:

Given several triangles, each one with its respective circle (calculated from problem 2) and a point.

How would you create a list of triangles whose circles contain a given point?

Example: the green point is inside the circle, the red one is not.



# Problem 4: nonshared sides.

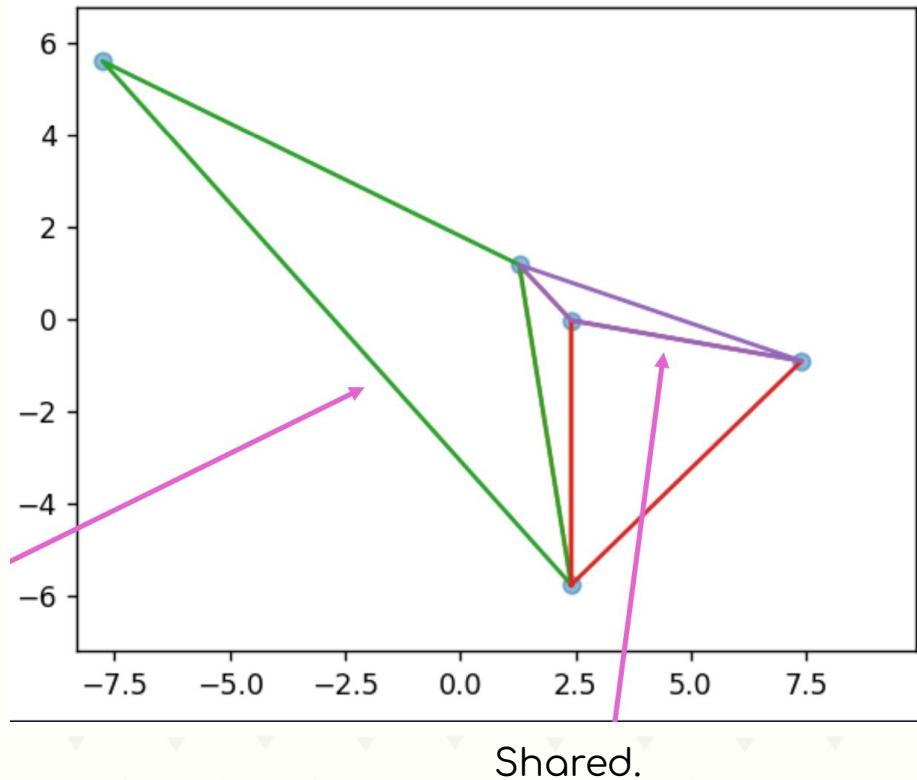
The problem:

Given several triangles, each one formed by 3 segments...

How would you identify which of the segments are NOT shared by other triangles?

Create a list of segments that meet this characteristic.

Not  
shared.



# Problem 5: Graphics

The problem:

How do you graph the results?

Create a function to help you easily visualize the results and save them as images.

For example in matplotlib:

For points: scatter

For lines: plot

For circles: circle, gca, add\_path

For ratio of graph and limits

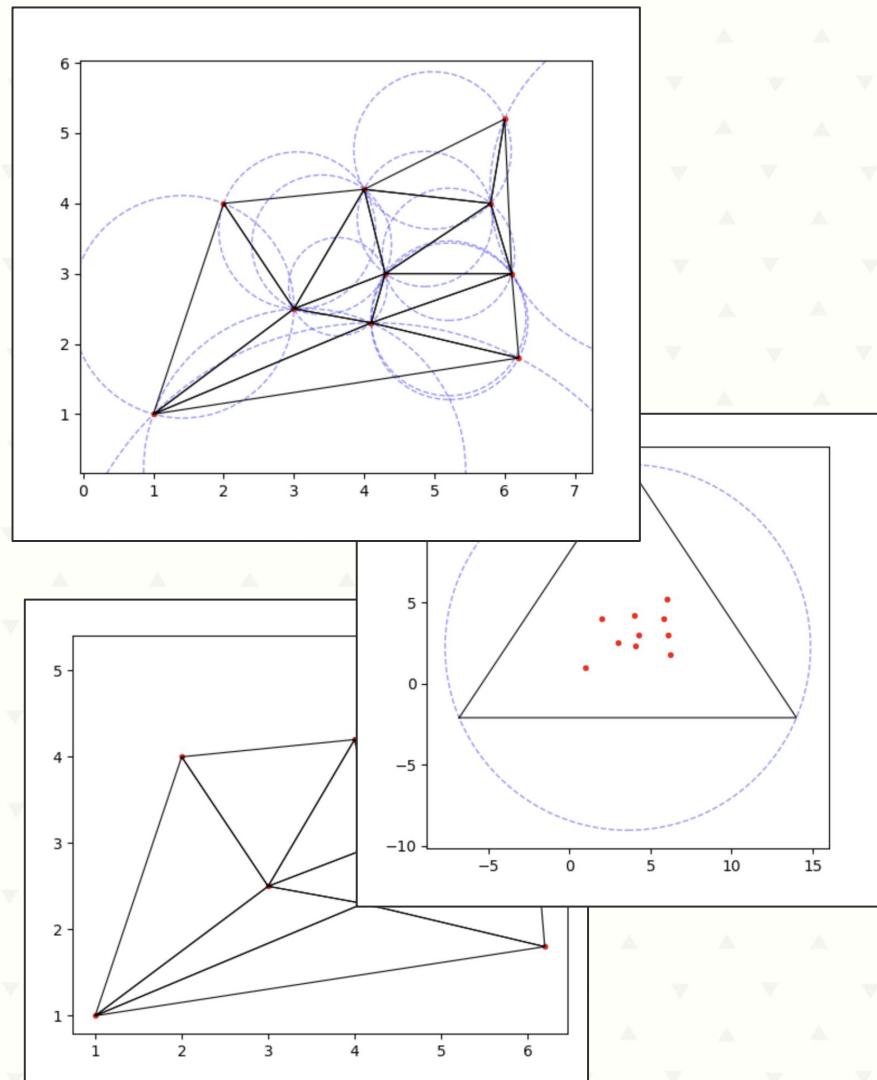
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plt.aces().set_aspect('equal')
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plt.ylim(-150, 150)
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plt.xlim(-150, 150)
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To save:

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savefig
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# Problem 6: Delaunay Triangulation

The problem:

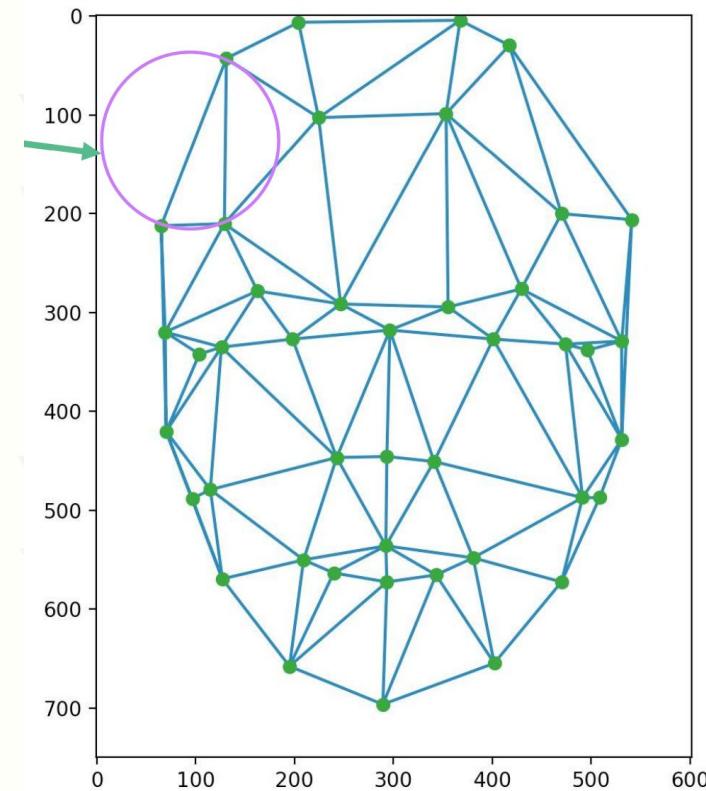
Given a set of points:

The delaunay triangulation is a set of triangles such that the circumscribed circle of any of them contains no points.

This holds true for all triangles

How is it calculated?

Bowyer-Watson Algorithm, which uses the answers of the prior problems.



# Problem 6: Delaunay Triangulation

## Bowyer-Watson

```
big_triangle = a triangle that contains all the points  
tris = list of triangles, initialized with only big_triangle  
  
for each point p:  
    bad_tris = list of triangles in tris whose circumcircle  
    contains p  
  
    uniques = list of edges from triangles in bad_tris that are  
    not shared by any other triangle in bad_tris  
  
    remove all bad_tris from tris  
  
    for each edge in uniques:  
        new_tri = triangle formed by connecting point p with the  
        two vertices of edge  
  
        Add new_tri to tris  
  
remove from tris all triangles that include any vertex from  
big_triangle  
  
return tris
```

Problem 1

Problem 2 and 3

Problem 4

Problem 5: Graph the results to check.