



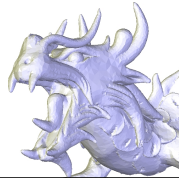
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Mesh and Computational Geometry

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Delaunay triangulation in any dimension n

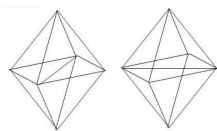
- Paving the convex-hull of the points with n -simplices whose circumscribed sphere is empty
- Warning: Lawson's algorithm is only valid in 2D, because the notion of edge flip is more complicated in larger dimensions

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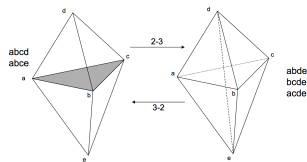
Flip in 3D

- 4-4 flip



4-4 flips

- 2-3 and 3-2 flips



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Geometric algorithms implementation

- Distinction between **exact**, **combinatorial** vs. **approximate** objects
- Input data (considered as exacts) used to construct exact non combinatorial objects
 - points x, y or x, y, z
- Construction of combinatorial objects from the exact ones
- Approximate objects should be constructed for visualisation purpose only

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Algorithmic using predicates

- The progress of an algorithm should only depend on the sign of predicates evaluated accurately
 - Use of a controlled arithmetic
 - No use of inexact objects in the evaluation of predicates

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Algorithmic using predicates

- Without these precautions, there is a risk of aberrant behaviour of a geometric algorithm
- Example: How to express the simple insertion algorithm in a 2D triangulation according to these criteria?

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Algorithmic using predicates

- Algorithm of simple insertion in a 2D triangulation:
 - Using the three points orientation predicate
 - To perform inclusion tests in a triangle
 - To perform visibility tests on an edge of the convex envelope

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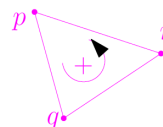
Algorithmic using predicates

- Three 2D points orientation predicate:

$$\text{orientation}(p, q, r) = \text{sign}(((q - p) \times (r - p)).Oz)$$

$$\text{orientation}(p, q, r) = \text{sign}((q_x - p_x)(r_y - p_y) - (q_y - p_y)(r_x - p_x))$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} q_x - p_x & r_x - p_x \\ q_y - p_y & r_y - p_y \end{vmatrix}$$



$$\text{orientation}(p, q, r) = \text{sign}(\det \begin{bmatrix} 1 & p_x & p_y \\ 1 & q_x & q_y \\ 1 & r_x & r_y \end{bmatrix})$$

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Algorithmic using predicates

- How to evaluate this orientation predicate?
 - In the case where the input coordinates belong to the regular grid of integers?
 - In the case where the input coordinates are rationals?

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Algorithmic using predicates

- How to evaluate this orientation predicate?
 - In the case of the input coordinates belong to the regular grid of integers?
 - In the case where the input coordinates are rationals?
 - In both cases the evaluation can be carried out accurately since we benefit from an exact multiplication, addition and subtraction for these types of numbers!

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Algorithmic using predicates

- How to evaluate this orientation predicate?
 - In the case where input coordinates are double?

$$\pm m 2^e \quad -1023 < e < 1024$$

$$m = 1.m_1 m_2 \dots m_{52} \quad (m_i \in \{0, 1\})$$

- The result of the arithmetic operations is rounded to the nearest double

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Algorithmic using predicates

- How to evaluate this orientation predicate?
 - In the case where input coordinates are double?
 - It is only the sign of the predicates that matters

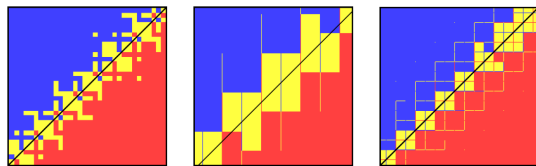
- The case where the three points are almost aligned can be error-prone

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Algorithmic using predicates

- If the orientation predicate is evaluated using double arithmetic :
 - Result of orientation(p, q, r) with $p(p_x + X u_x, p_y + Y u_y)$
 $0 \leq X, Y \leq 255 \quad u_x = u_y = 2^{-53}$



$$\begin{array}{l} p: \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 12 \\ 12 \end{pmatrix} \\ q: \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 12 \\ 24 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \\ r: \begin{pmatrix} 24 \\ 24 \\ 24 \\ 24 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \begin{pmatrix} 0.50000000000000002531 \\ 0.5000000000000000171 \\ 17.30000000000000000001 \\ 17.300000000000000001 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 24.00000000000000005 \\ 24.000000000000000517765 \end{pmatrix} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 8.80000000000000007 \\ 8.80000000000000007 \end{pmatrix} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 12.1 \\ 12.1 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

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Algorithmic using predicates

- If the orientation predicate is evaluated using double arithmetic :
 - There are still values for which the sign is unambiguously certified (need to control the threshold)
 - Otherwise :
 - Consider the coordinates of p , q and r as rational (with a finer precision than that usually considered) and make the exact calculation

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Algorithmic unsing predicates

- Example : How to express Lawson algorithm using predicates?

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Algorithmic using predicates

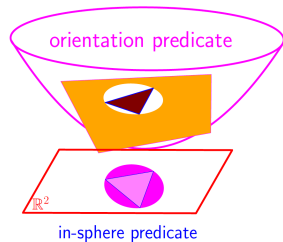
- Lawson Algorithm :
 - **Do not** base the evaluation of a predicate on the construction of an inaccurate temporary object (e. g. the centre of a circumscribed circle)
 - An AB edge should be flipped if the circle circumscribed to one of its 2 incident triangles ABC contains point D located on the other side

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Algorithmic using predicates

- Reminder: the in-circle inclusion test can be expressed as an orientation test in a space of higher dimension (space of spheres)



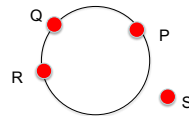
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Algorithmic using predicates

- Predicate of inclusion of a point s in a circle circumscribed at p, q and r (orientation of the 4 points lifted on the paraboloid centered at p)



- $\text{In_circle}(p,q,r,s)$
 $= -\text{signe}(((\Phi(q)-\Phi(p)) \times (\Phi(r)-\Phi(p))), (\Phi(s)-\Phi(p)))$

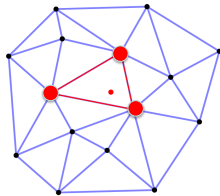
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Back to Delaunay triangulation

- How to modify the incremental algorithm of insertion into a simple triangulation to obtain an incremental algorithm of insertion into a Delaunay triangulation?

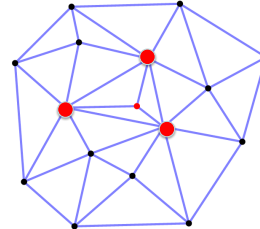


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Incremental insertion into a Delaunay triangulation

- First perform a simple insertion :



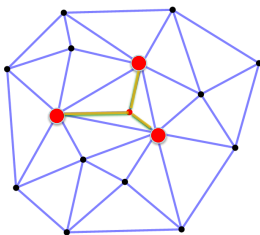
- Use Lawson flips
- Is it necessary to test all the edges?

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Delaunay incremental insertion

- Let Δ be the triangle in which P was inserted
 - After the simple insertion, the triangle is star-shaped with respect to P

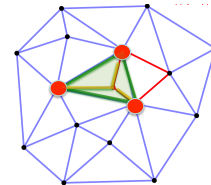


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Incremental Delaunay insertion

- Let Δ be the triangle in which P was inserted
 - After the simple insertion, only the 3 edges of Δ are likely to be candidates for flipping
 - The 3 new edges incident to P could not be flipped
 - The others have not changed their pair of incident triangles

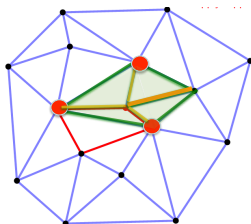


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Incremental Delaunay insertion

- Each flip generates a new edge incident to P and two edges are added to the boundary of the modified area (in green)
- Green edges are likely to be flipped (since one of their incident triangle has been modified)

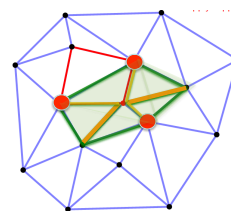


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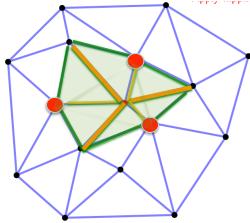


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Incremental Delaunay Algorithm

- The complexity of each insertion directly corresponds to the final number i of edges incident at the new vertex.
 - Every flipped edge gave birth to an edge incident to P
->there are $i-3$ flips
 - The flipping test was checked on each edge that was effectively flipped, and also on the green boundary of the resulting modified area (i edges)

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Incremental Delaunay Algorithm

- An insertion outside the convex envelope also starts as the simple insertion into a triangulation
 - Additional flips can be performed on the boundary of the modified area

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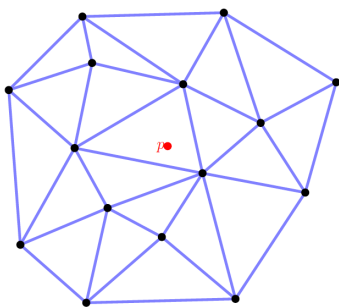
Delaunay incremental insertion (Alternative version)

- We just showed that the modified area of the triangulation is star-shaped around the inserted point P
- Alternative approach for incremental Delaunay :
 - Delete all the triangles whose circumscribed circle contains point P
 - Those triangles are said to be "in conflict" with P
 - Triangulate the conflict zone by star-shaping the conflict area around P

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Incremental Delaunay Algorithm (Alternative Version)

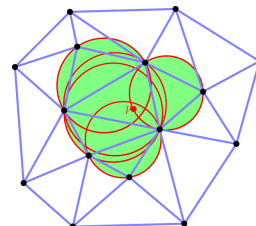


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Delaunay incremental algorithm (Alternative Version)

- Determine the in-conflict triangles
 - Using breadth-first search (or depth-first search) on the adjacency graph of triangles starting from Δ

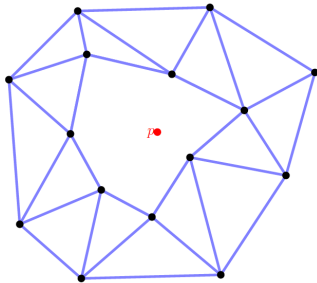


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Delaunay incremental algorithm (Alternative Version)

- Conflict zone determination

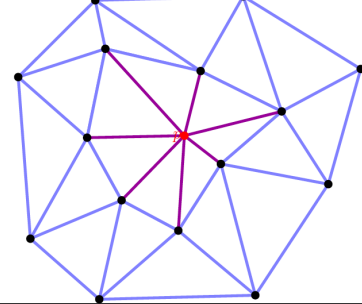


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Delaunay incremental algorithm (Alternative Version)

- Star-shaping of the conflict area



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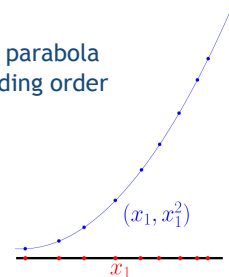
- Star-shaping of the conflict area
- Validity of this algorithm in higher dimension
 - In 2D, the **edges of the boundary** of the conflict zone get connected to the inserted point by constructing new triangles
 - In 3D, the Delaunay triangulation is composed of tetrahedrons. The **triangles of the boundary** of the conflict zone get connected to the inserted point by constructing new tetrahedrons

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Incremental Delaunay Algorithm

- Complexity analysis
- Worst case :
 - Points distributed on a parabola and inserted in descending order of abscissa.

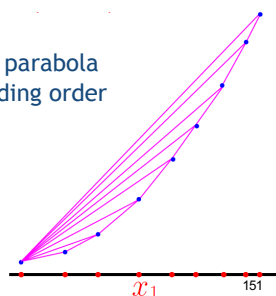


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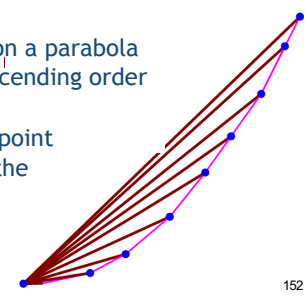
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Incremental Delaunay Algorithm

- Complexity analysis
- Worst case :
 - Points distributed on a parabola and inserted in descending order of abscissa.
 - Each new inserted point conflicts with ALL the triangles

$$\Omega(n^2)$$



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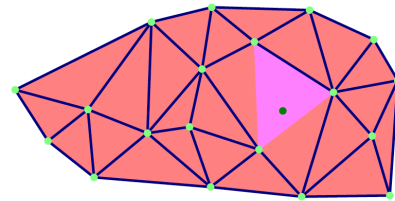
Incremental Delaunay Algorithm

- Complexity analysis
- In average :
 - Complexity dependent on the strategy used to locate the triangle containing the point to be inserted

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Location strategies

- Exhaustive search among all the triangles



$O(n)$

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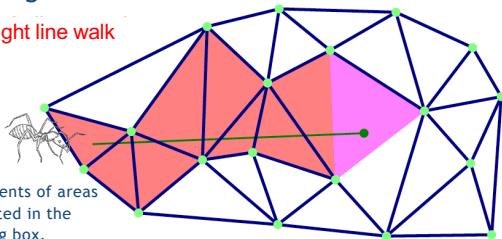
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Location strategies

- Search from a first randomly selected triangle

Straight line walk



3n elements of areas distributed in the bounding box, therefore $\sqrt{3n}$ elements encountered on average on a straight line

$O(\sqrt{n})$ on average

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Location strategies

- Search from a first randomly selected triangle
 - Straight walk
 - Requires a predicate of segments intersection

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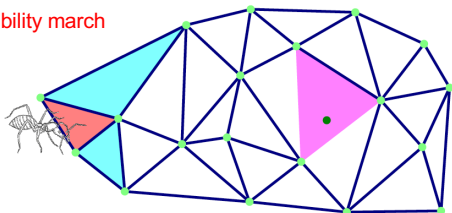
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Location strategies

- Search from a first randomly selected triangle
 - Some minor deviations from the straight line walk

Visibility march

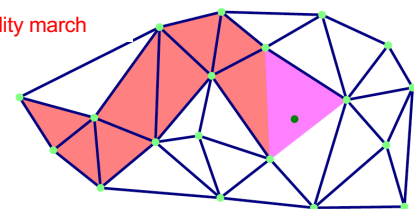


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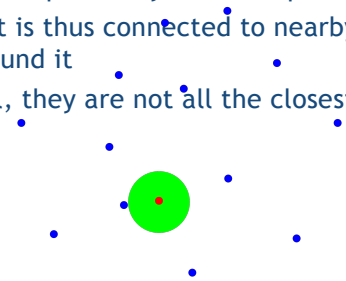
- Search from a first randomly selected triangle
 - Visibility walking
 - Only requires an orientation predicate to find the next triangle to walk in

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Delaunay and proximity in space

- Delaunay triangulation allows to model the notion of proximity between points
- Each point is thus connected to nearby points around it
- Be careful, they are not all the closest!

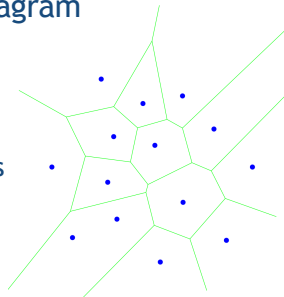


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Voronoi diagram

- Voronoi's cell of a site P_i is the set of points closer to this site than to other sites



$$V_i = \{P \in \mathbb{R}^k \text{ t. que } PP_i < PP_j \text{ pour tout } j \neq i\}$$

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Voronoi diagram

- Given a set E of points in \mathbb{R}^k , the partitioning of \mathbb{R}^k into cells composed of points having the same nearest neighbour in E is called a Voronoi diagram of E

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Voronoi diagram

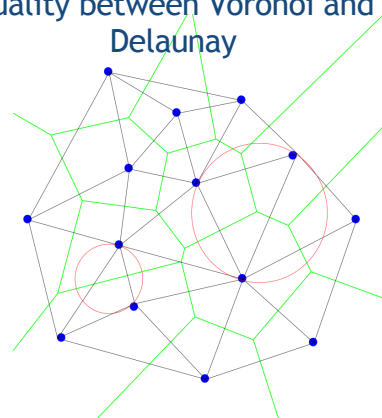
- Possible construction:
 - V_i : intersection of half-spaces h_{ij}^i where h_{ij} is the mediator of segment $P_i P_j$ and h_{ij}^i is the half-space delimited by h_{ij} containing P_i

In practice we will proceed differently!

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Duality between Voronoi and Delaunay



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Duality between Voronoi and Delaunay

- Each Voronoi vertex is located at the center of the circumscribed circle of a Delaunay triangle
- Two Voronoi vertices are connected if they are associated with adjacent triangles

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Coordinates of the centre of the circle circumscribed to a triangle ABC

- Useful for displaying the Voronoi diagram
- 1st possibility:
 - Write the equation of the mediator for each edge
ex: For the edge AB, set of points M such that $MA^2=MB^2$
 - Solving a system of 2 equations with 2 unknowns (it is enough to take 2 mediators)
 - Numerically unstable

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Coordinates of the centre of the circle circumscribed to a triangle ABC

- 2nd possibility :
 - Let's consider the angles
 $\hat{A} = \widehat{CAB}$ $\hat{B} = \widehat{ABC}$ $\hat{C} = \widehat{BCA}$
 - Then the barycentric coordinates of the centre H of the circumscribed circle with respect to A, B and C are elegantly expressed :

$$H(\tan\hat{B}+\tan\hat{C}, \tan\hat{C}+\tan\hat{A}, \tan\hat{A}+\tan\hat{B})$$

- Reminder :

$$\tan(\widehat{ABC}) = \frac{\sin(\widehat{ABC})}{\cos(\widehat{ABC})} = \text{sign}((\vec{BC} \times \vec{BA}) \cdot \vec{k}) \frac{\|\vec{BC} \times \vec{BA}\|}{\vec{BC} \cdot \vec{BA}}$$

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Coordinates of the centre of the circle circumscribed to a triangle ABC

$$H = \text{Barycenter}((A, \tan\hat{B} + \tan\hat{C}), (B, \tan\hat{C} + \tan\hat{A}), (C, \tan\hat{A} + \tan\hat{B}))$$

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$$\text{Barycenter}((A, \alpha a), (B, \alpha b), (C, \alpha c))$$

$$= \text{Barycenter}((A, a), (B, b), (C, c))$$

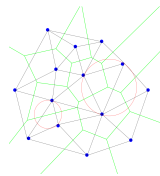
- Ensure to have no more denominators in the expression of your barycentric coordinates (normalization performed afterwards)

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Duality between Voronoi and Delaunay

- Each Delaunay vertex is dual to one Voronoi cell
- Each Delaunay edge is dual to a Voronoi edge
- Each Voronoi vertex is dual to a Delaunay triangle



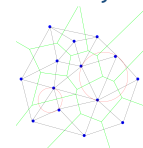
- What about Delaunay, Voronoi and their duality in 3D?

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Duality between Voronoi and Delaunay

- Which data structure for Voronoi?
 - Walking around a Voronoi face is performed by walking through the faces/edges incident at a Delaunay vertex.
 - To move from one Voronoi cell to an adjacent cell is like moving from a Delaunay vertex to an adjacent vertex.



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