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# 1 Definitions

**Definition 1.** A Voronoi diagram is a subdivision of a  $n \times m$  table equipped with a greedy braid into regions such that

- 1) Left boundary of each region is composed of a single braid strand and possibly a piece of the boundary;
- 2) Right boundary of each region is composed of several pieces  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_k$  of braid strands, such that
  - (a) the pieces  $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_k$  cross no strand from left to right,
  - (b) the strand containing  $e_i$  crosses the strand containing  $e_{i+1}$  from left to right at the point where  $e_i$  meets  $e_{i+1}$ , i = 1, ..., k-1.

**Lemma 1.** The following are equivalent:

- 1) Point p belongs to the Voronoi cell  $f_i$  of a Voronoi site  $s_i$ ;
- 2) Site  $s_i$  is the leftmost site such that there is a path from  $s_i$  to p that crosses no braid strand from left to right.

### 2 Notation

- 1)  $\mathcal{B}$  for the greedy braid of the  $\frac{n}{2} \times m$  table;
- 2) VD for the Voronoi diagram of  $\mathcal{B}$
- 3)  $\mathcal{B}^*$  for the upward  $\frac{n}{2} \times m$  greedy braid;
- 4)  $\mathcal{B}^{-h}$  for the  $(\frac{n}{2} + h) \times m$  greedy braid that starts h rows above the middle line;
- 5)  $VD^{-h}$  for the Voronoi diagram corresponding to  $\mathcal{B}^{-h}$ ;
- 6)  $s_0, \ldots, s_{m+n}$  for the sites of the Voronoi diagram;
- 7)  $f_0, \ldots, f_{m+n}; f_0^{-h}, \ldots, f_{m+n}^{-h}$  for the Voronoi cells of VD and VD<sup>-h</sup> correspondingly;
- 8)  $c_0, \ldots, c_{m+n}; c_0^{-h}, \ldots, c_{m+n}^{-h}$  for the lower right corners of the Voronoi cells of VD and  $VD^{-h}$  correspondingly.

# 3 Query

# Lemma 2. The following are equivalent:

- 1) Point p belongs to the Voronoi cell  $f_i^{-h}$  of  $VD^{-h}$ ;
- 2) There is a path from  $s_i$  to  $c_i^{-h}$  passing through p that crosses no strand of  $\mathcal{B}$  twice.

