

# Algorithmical Geometry: Delaunay Triangulation

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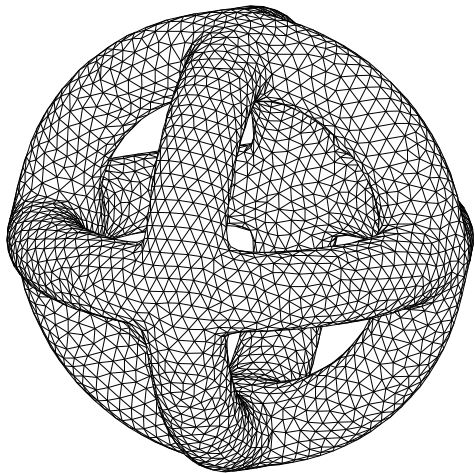
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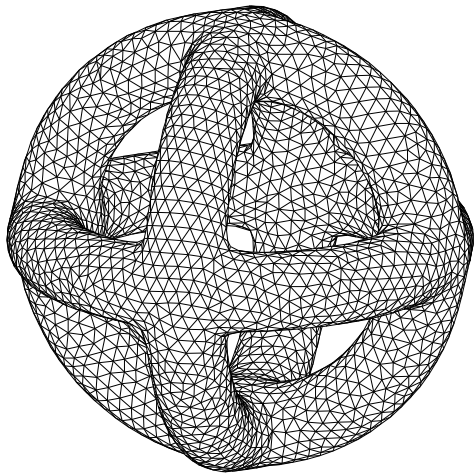
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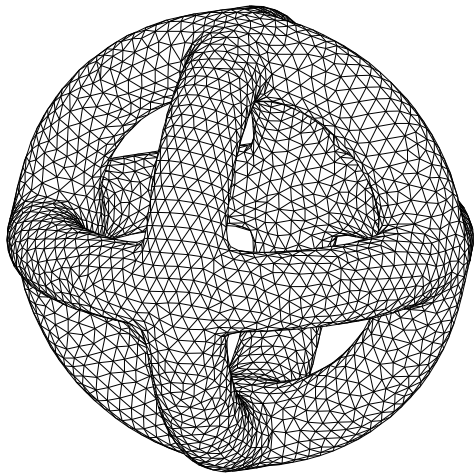
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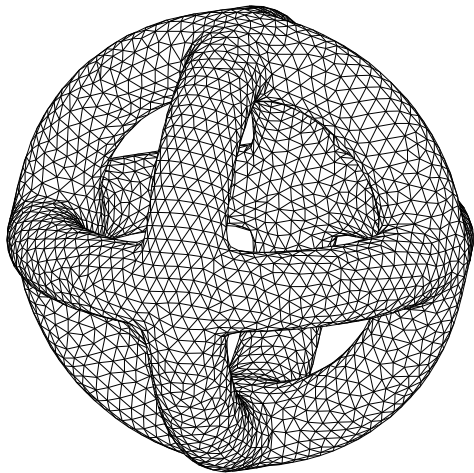
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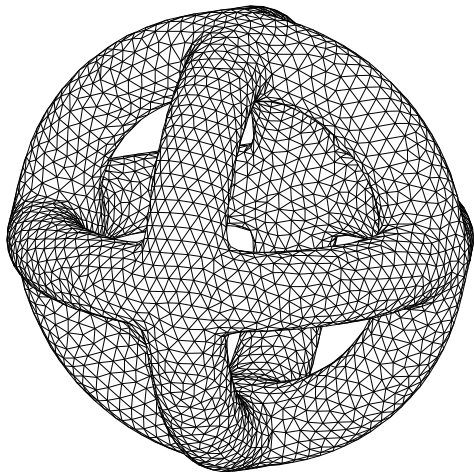


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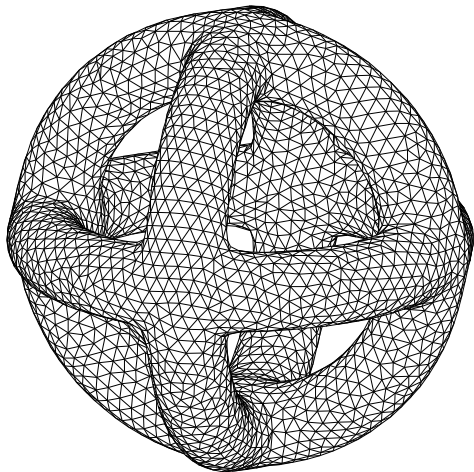
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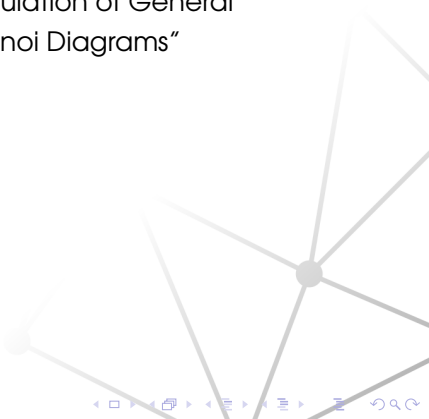
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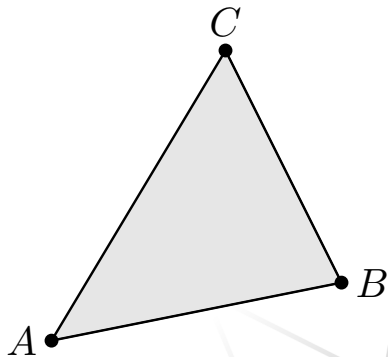
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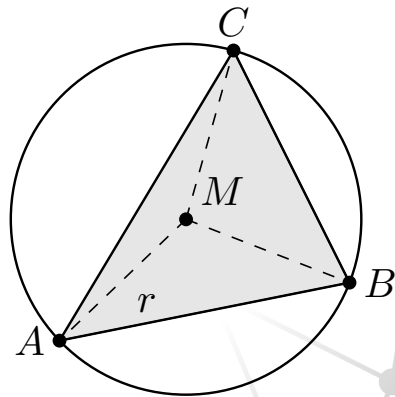
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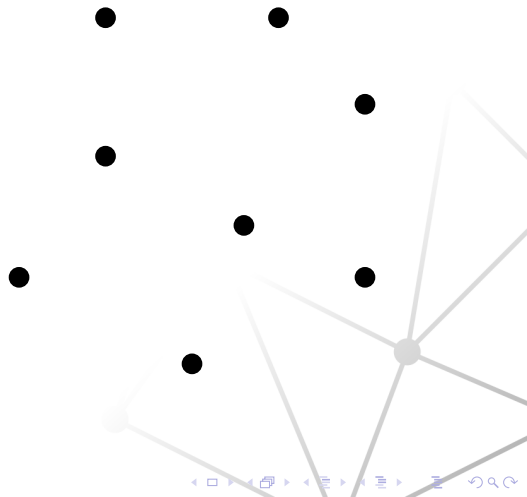
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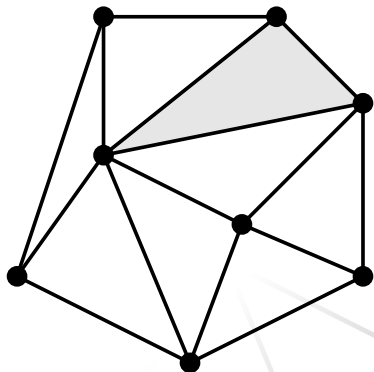
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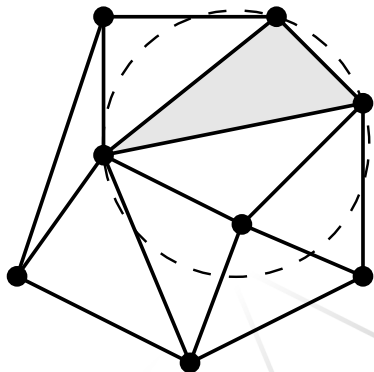
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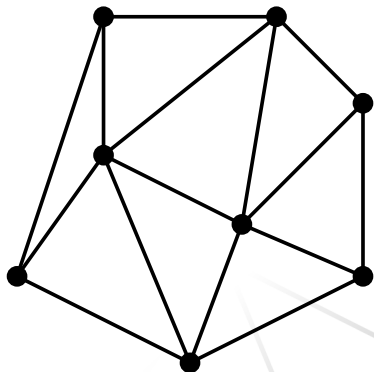
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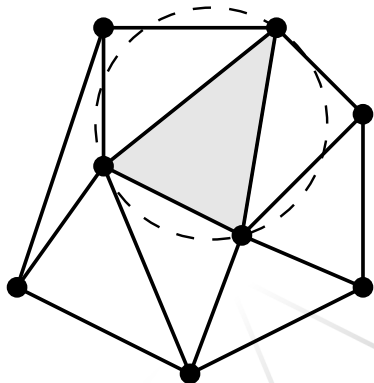
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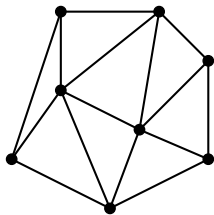
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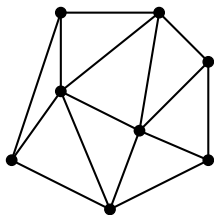
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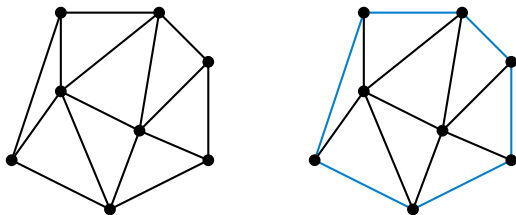


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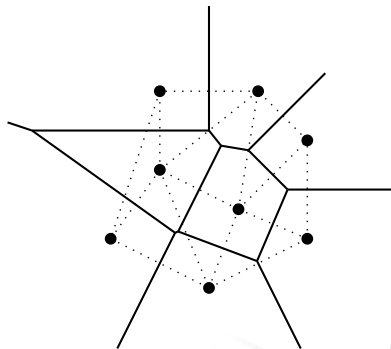
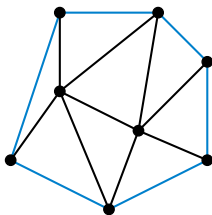
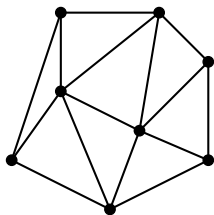
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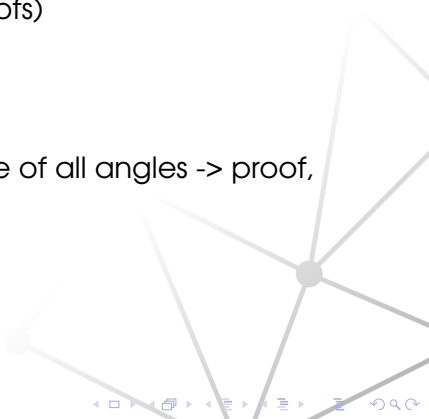
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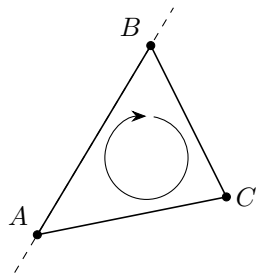
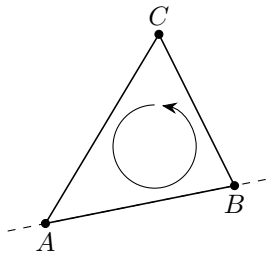
# Mathematical Preliminaries: Properties of Delaunay Triangulation

- ▶ Duality to Voronoi Diagram (also useful for proofs)
- ▶ always exists -> proof
- ▶ If no points are cocircular, unique -> proof
- ▶ optimality: maximization of the minimum angle of all angles -> proof, reason why delaunay is good
- ▶ boundary is convex hull



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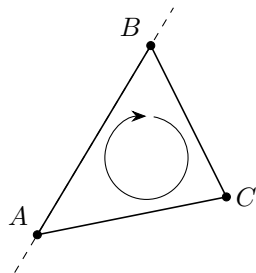
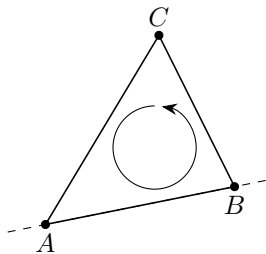
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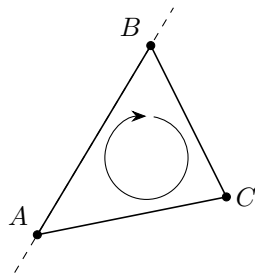
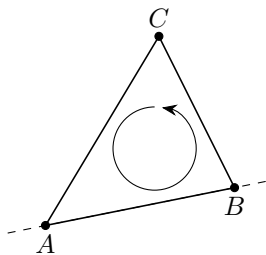


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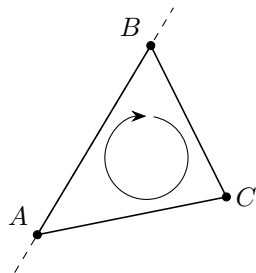
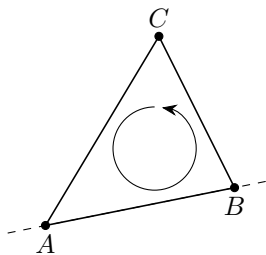
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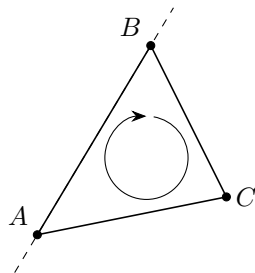
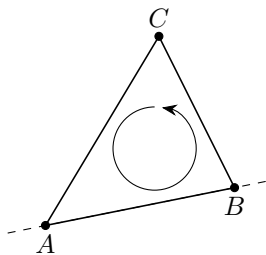
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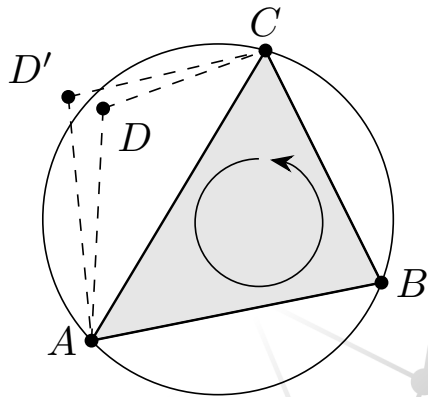
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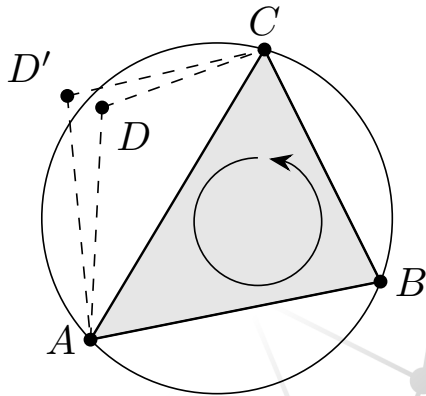
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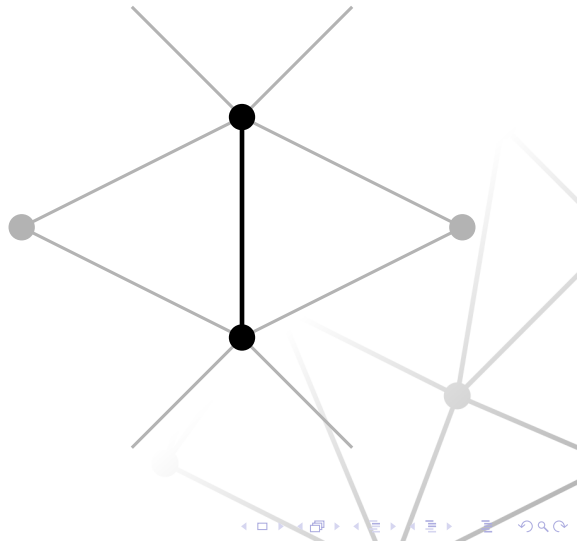
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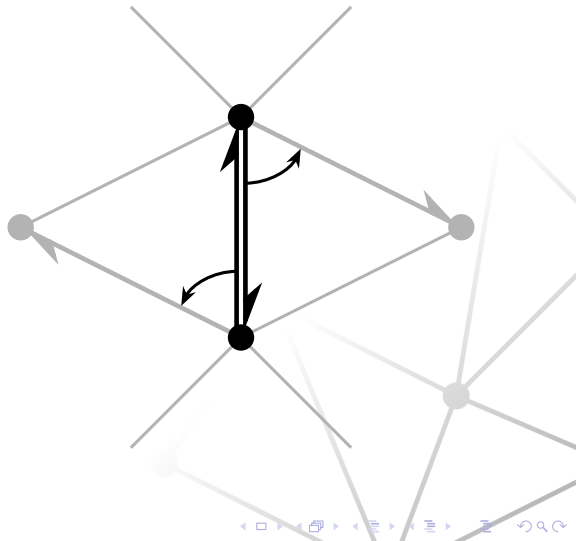




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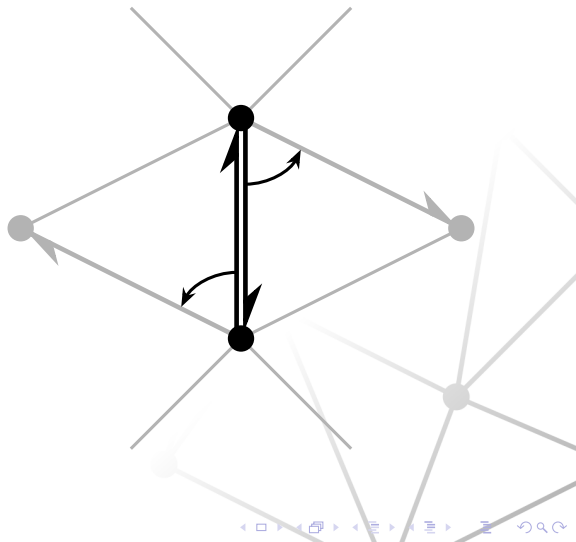
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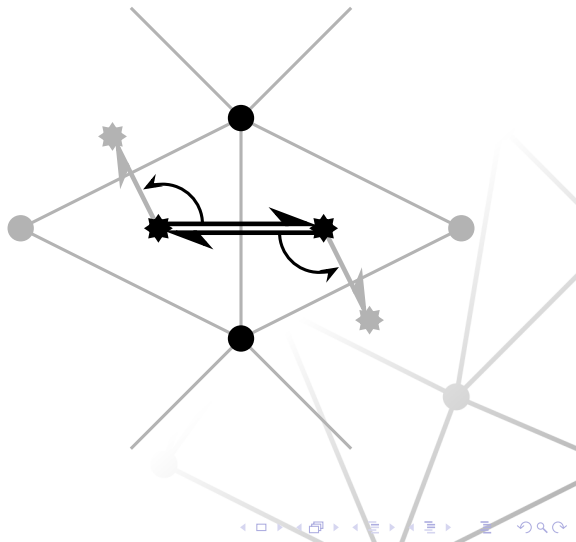
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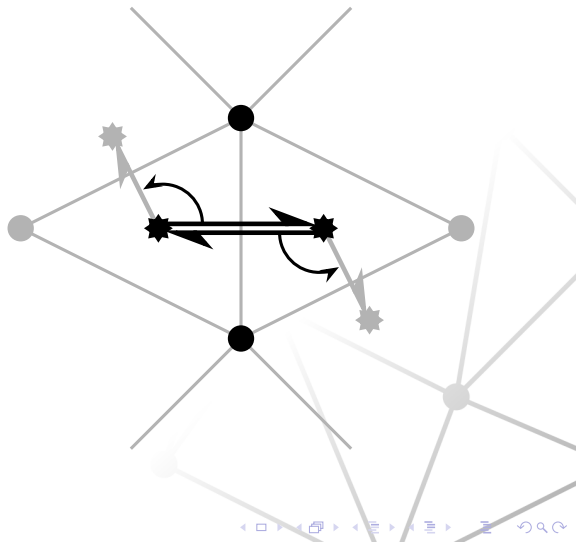
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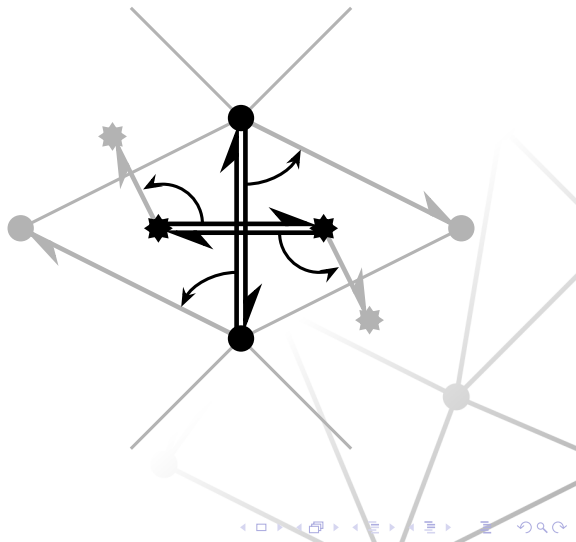
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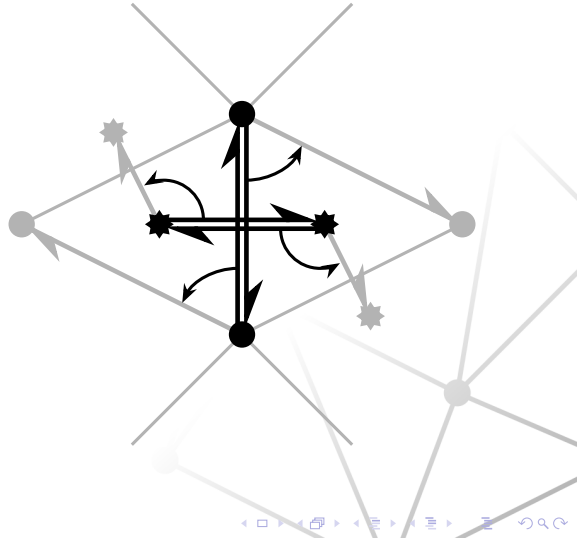
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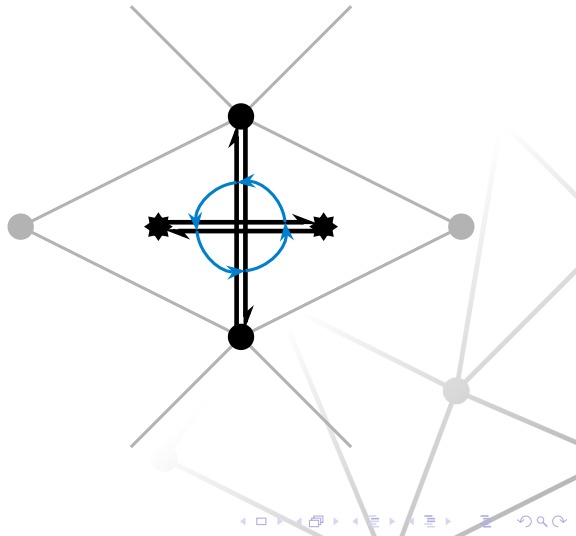
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struct quad_edge_algebra {  
    struct edge {  
        size_t next;  
        size_t data;  
    };  
  
    struct quad_edge {  
        edge data[4];  
    };  
  
    vector<quad_edge> quad_edges{};  
    vector<size_t> free_edges{};  
};
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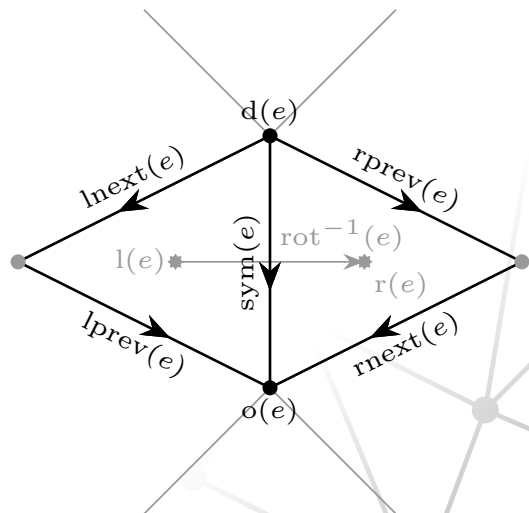
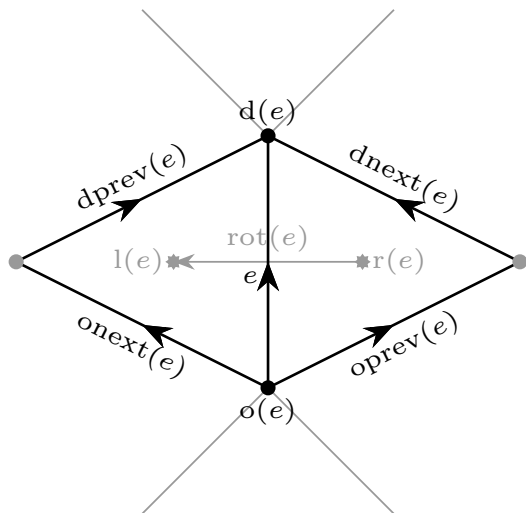


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struct quad_edge_algebra {  
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    static constexpr size_t edge_type_mask =  
        sizeof(quad_edge) / sizeof(edge) - 1;  
    static constexpr size_t quad_edge_mask =  
        ~edge_type_mask;  
  
    auto rot(size_t e, int n = 1) const -> size_t {  
        const size_t t = e + n;  
        return (e & quad_edge_mask) |  
            (t & edge_type_mask);  
    }  
  
    auto onext(size_t e) const -> size_t {  
        return ((edge*)quad_edges.data() + e)->next;  
    }  
};
```



# Data Structure: Quad-Edge Functions





# Data Structure: Quad-Edge Operations

- ▶ edge functions
- ▶ create edge
- ▶ splice
- ▶ connect
- ▶ delete edge



# Algorithm

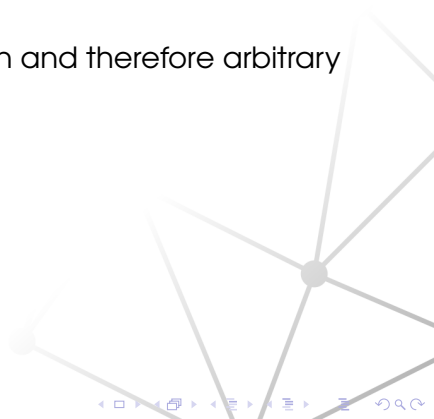
# Algorithm: Overview

1. Sort points by increasing  $x$  coordinate
1. If number of points is less than four, create an edge or a triangle.
2. Separate points into left and right half
3. Compute the lower common tangent and make it a cross edge
4. Merge Loop to insert crossing edges until upper tangent is reached
5. Return left and right convex hull edge
1. Remove edges from left partition that fail circle test
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- ▶ Geometric Primitives need exact computation and therefore arbitrary precision



# Applications

## Conclusions

Thank you for Your Attention!



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