

Algorithmical Geometry: Delaunay Triangulation

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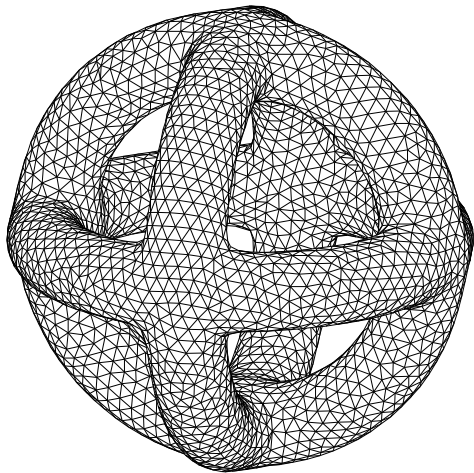
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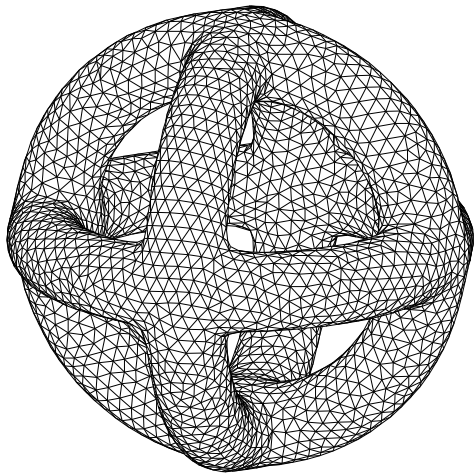
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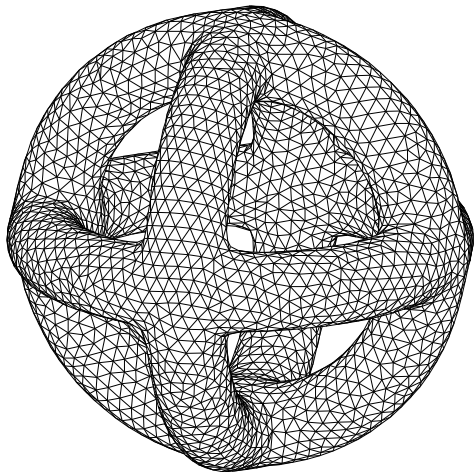
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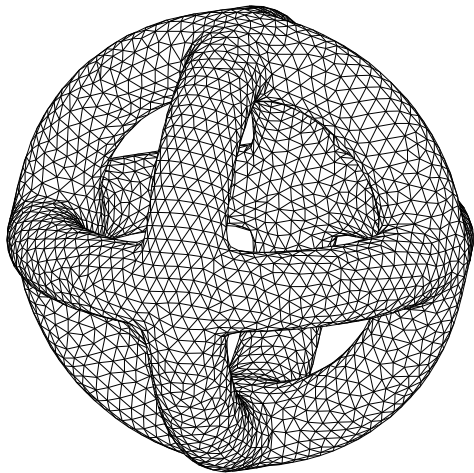
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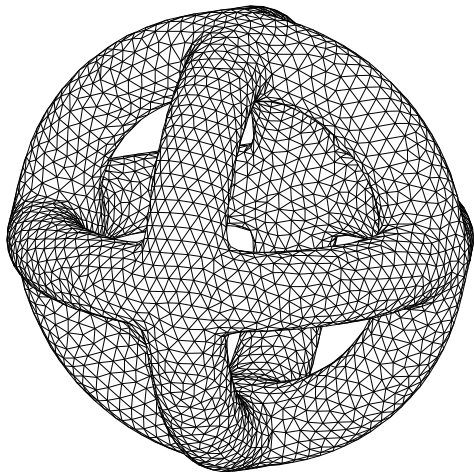
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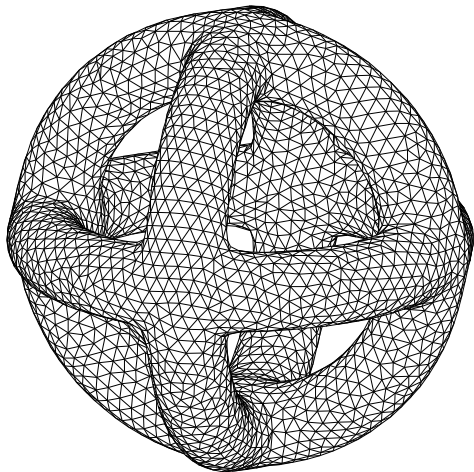
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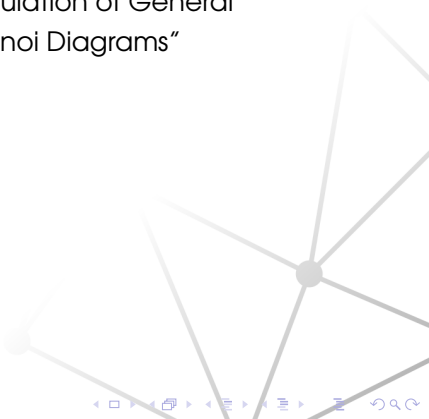
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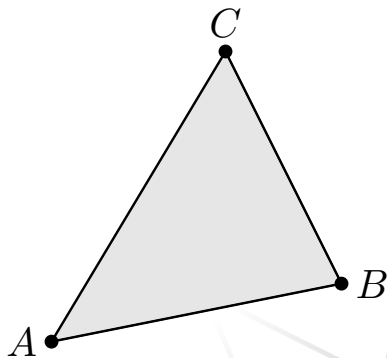
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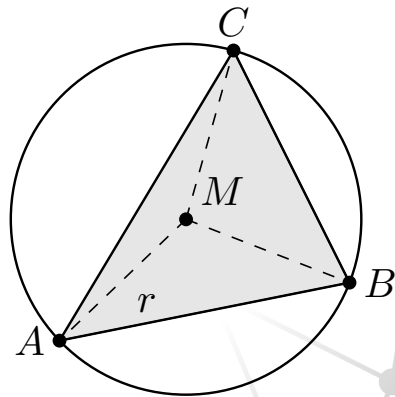
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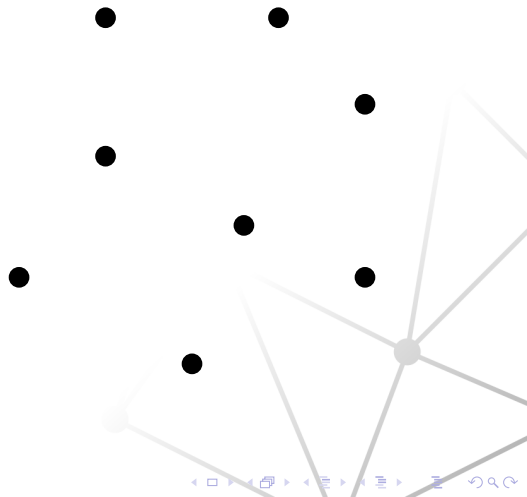
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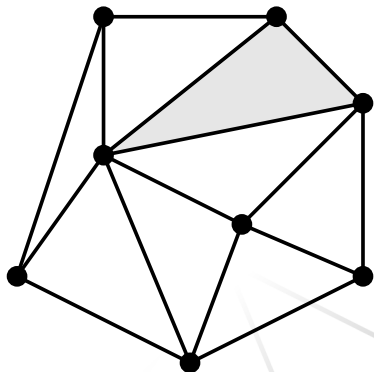
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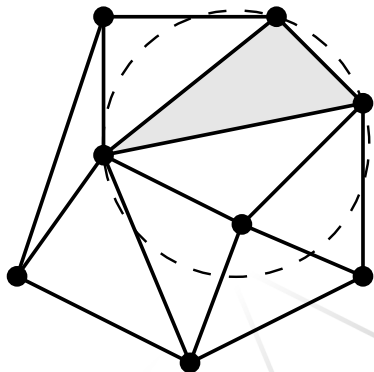
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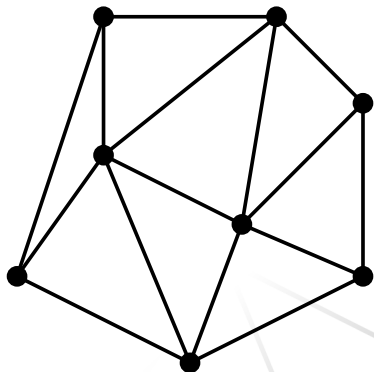
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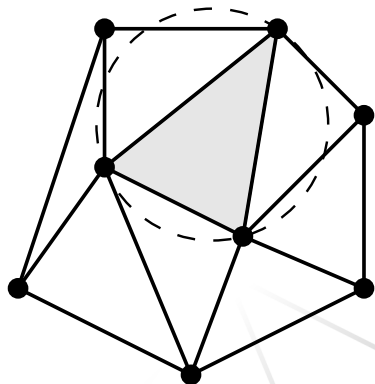
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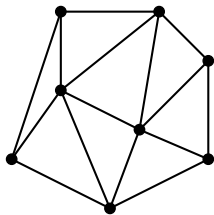
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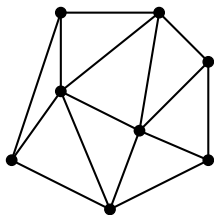
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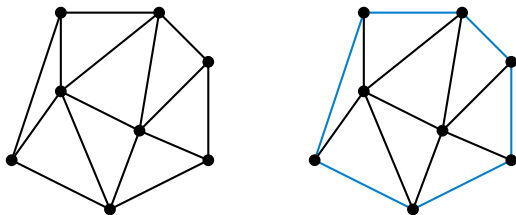


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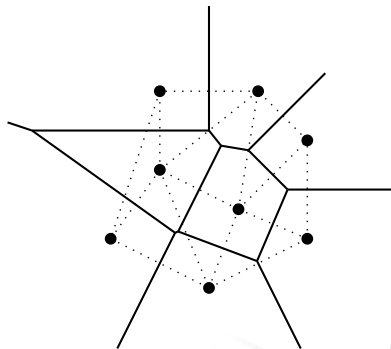
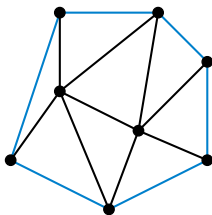
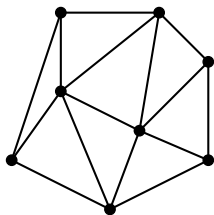
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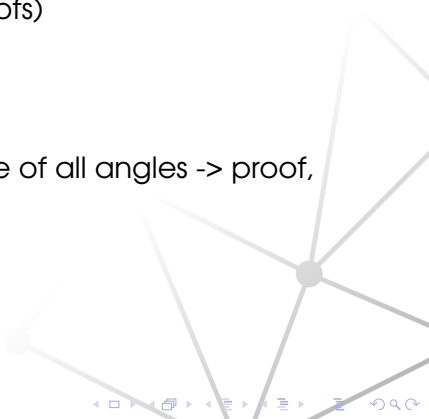
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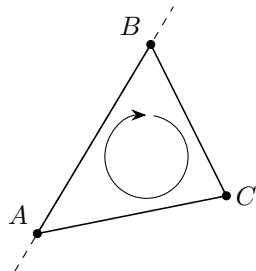
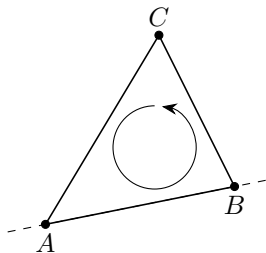
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- ▶ Duality to Voronoi Diagram (also useful for proofs)
- ▶ always exists -> proof
- ▶ If no points are cocircular, unique -> proof
- ▶ optimality: maximization of the minimum angle of all angles -> proof, reason why delaunay is good
- ▶ boundary is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



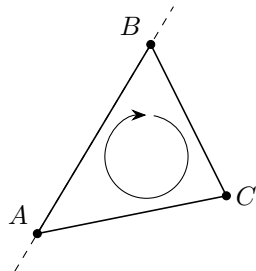
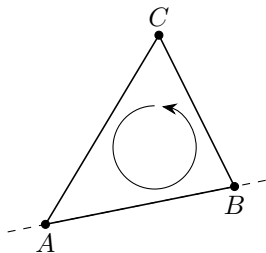
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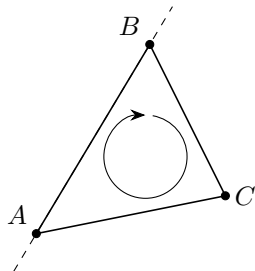
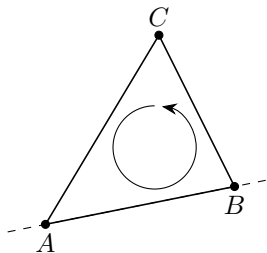
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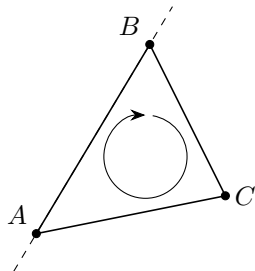
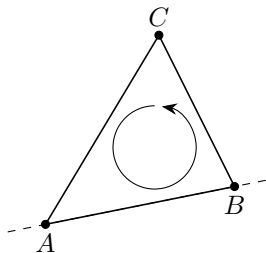
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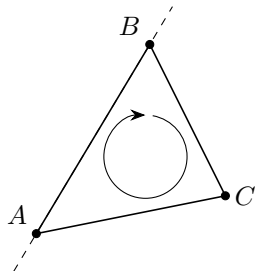
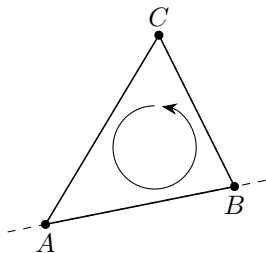
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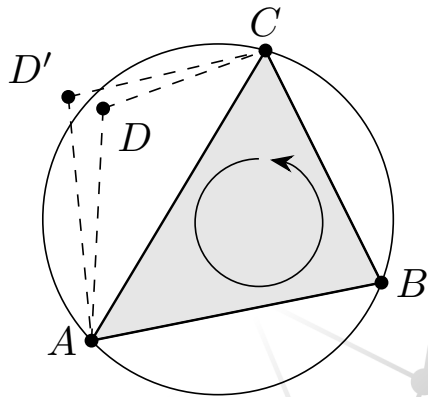
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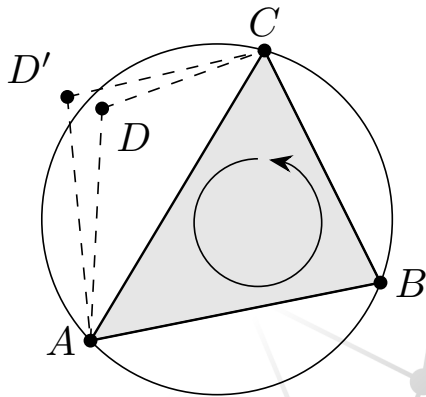
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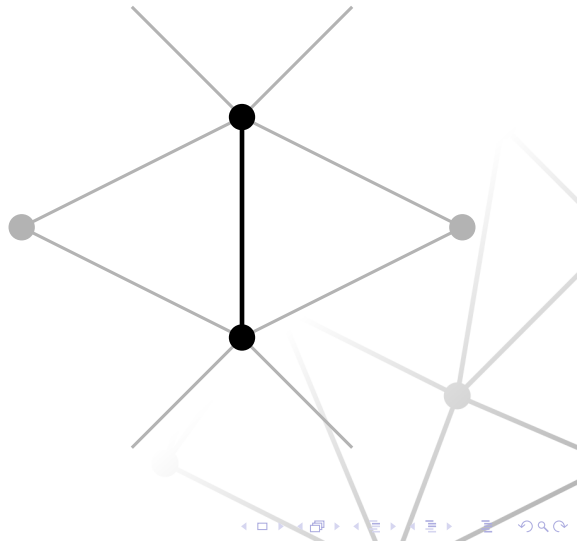
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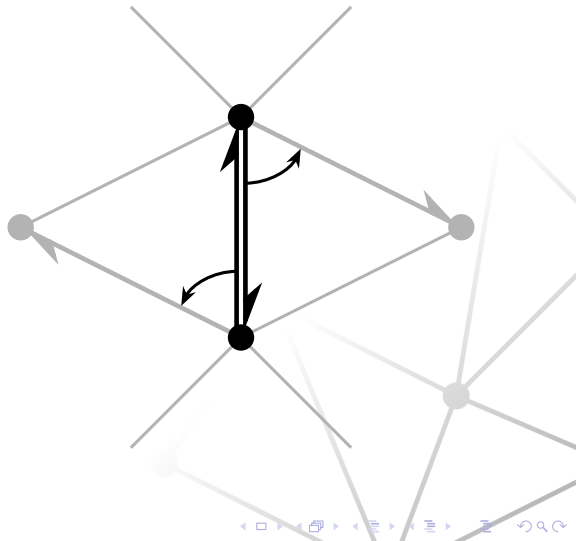
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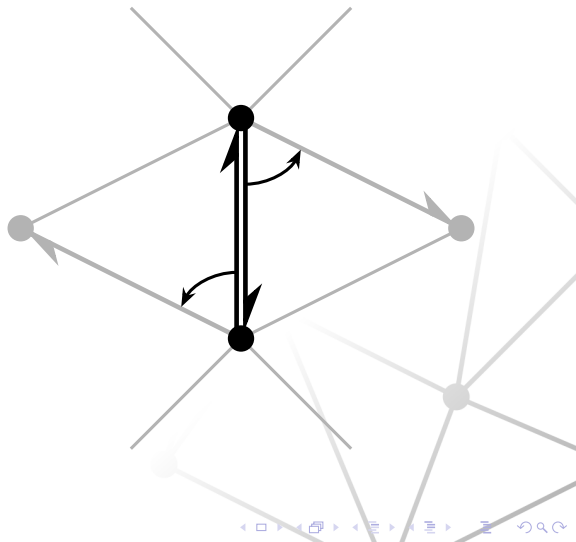
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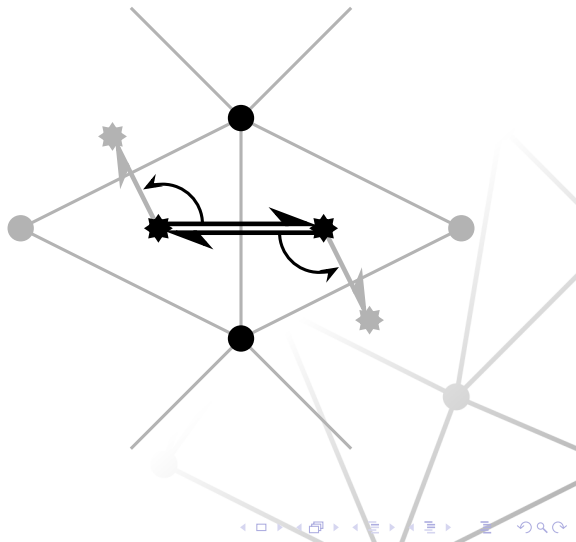
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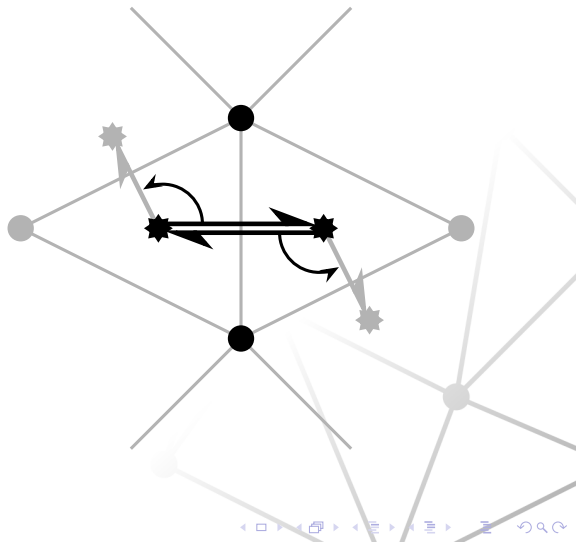
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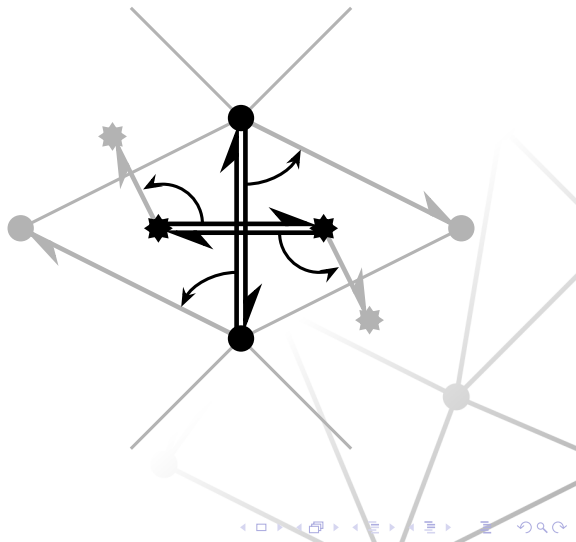
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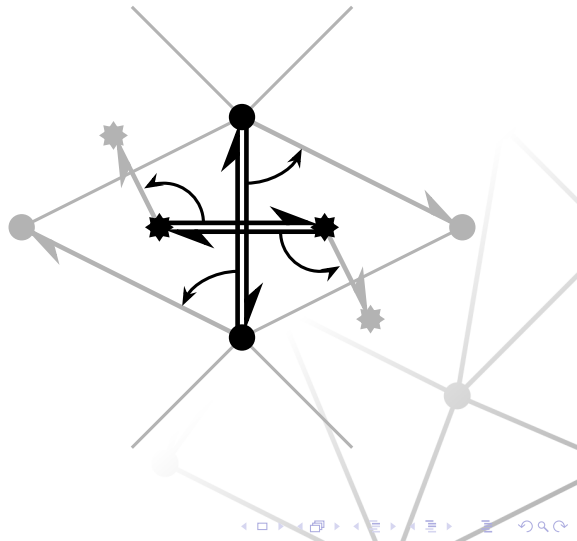
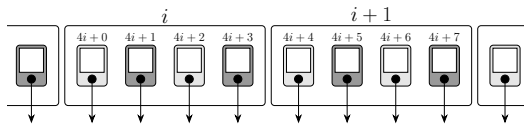
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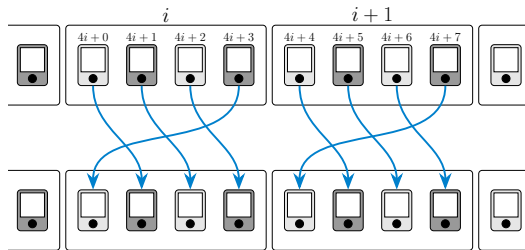
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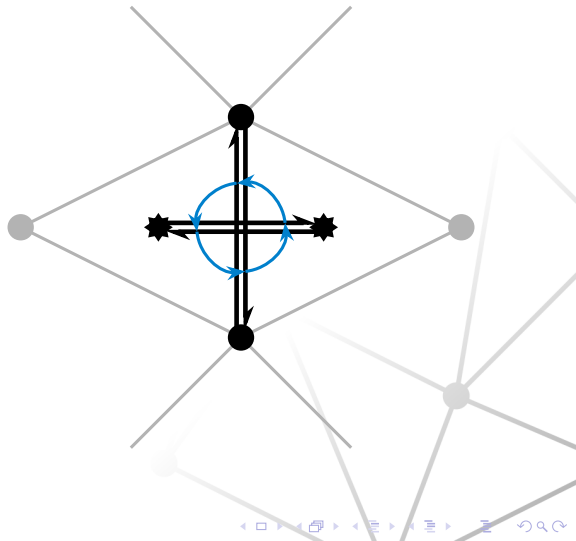


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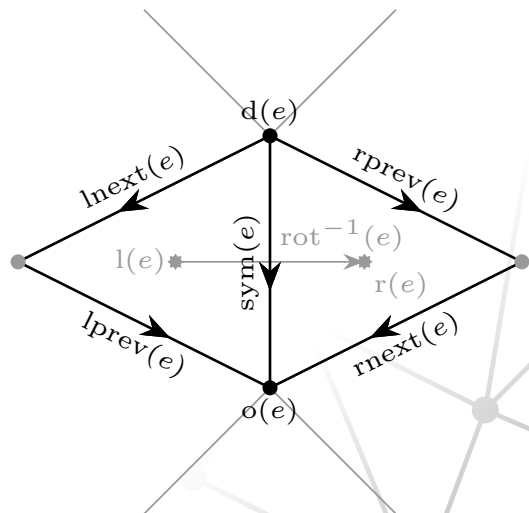
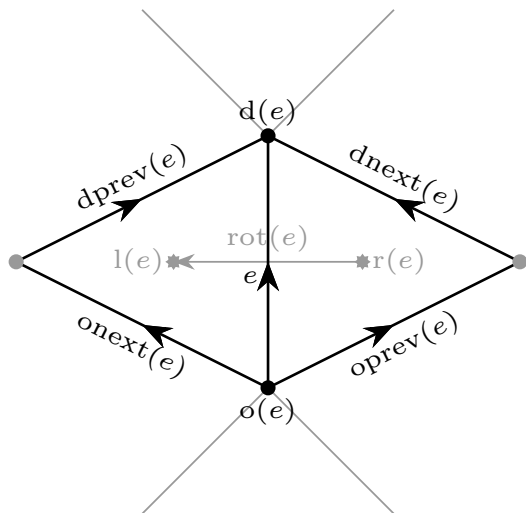


$$\text{rot}: \mathbb{N}_0 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$$

$$\text{rot}(x) = 4 \cdot \left\lfloor \frac{x}{4} \right\rfloor + (x \bmod 4)$$



Data Structure: Quad-Edge Functions



Data Structure: Quad-Edge Operations

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



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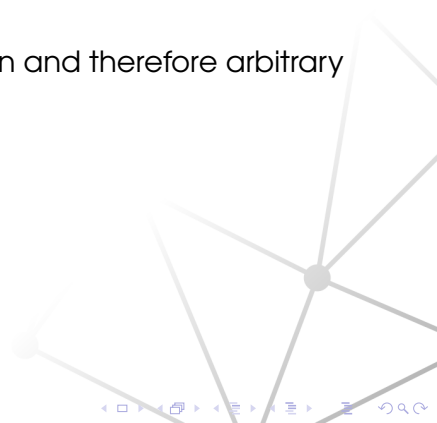
Algorithm: Overview

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
2. Remove edges from right partition that fail circle test
3. Check for upper tangent
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- ▶ Geometric Primitives need exact computation and therefore arbitrary precision



Applications

Conclusions

Thank you for Your Attention!

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