

# Comp Sci 418 HW1

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## Question 1.3

So basically the Graham scan algorithm can be used.

Step 1: Take all points from every edge in  $E$  and put it into a list  $P$

Step 2: From  $S$  pick the point with the lowest  $Y$  value,  $p_0$

Step 3: With respect to the selected point,  $p_0$ , sort all other points based on the polar angle from the selected point.

In the event of a tie in polar values, use the point with the highest distance from  $p_0$

Step 4: Scan every point in the list in ascending order of polar value

In the event of a left turn, add the new point onto a stack

In the event of a right turn, pop the new point and compare the next point with the point on the top of the stack.

Step 5: repeat until back to  $p_0$ , the resulting stack will be in counterclockwise order.

Runtime: All steps other than the sorting will take  $O(n)$ , skip all points from every edge in  $E$  and put it into a list

Note: Since the polygon is already found, after step 3 you can just add all the points to the polygon list in ascending polar angle and that will be the polygon as there will not be any right turns.

## Question 1.8

- a. Assume  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are oriented horizontally from each other. To combine the two,

Step 1: Find the right most point of  $p_1$ ,  $p$ , and the left most point of  $p_2$ ,  $q$ .

Step 2: take the line  $\overline{pq}$  and rotate the point  $q$  clockwise to the next point such that the clockwise neighbor of  $q$  makes a left turn to the newly rotated point on  $p_2$

Step 3: repeat step 3 until the clockwise neighbor of  $q$  makes a right turn,  $q$  will now be at the high tangent of  $p_2$

Step 4: rotate  $p$  up in the same manner, checking that the counterclockwise neighbor makes a right turn and finishing when it turns left

$\overline{pq}$  is now the upper tangent line of the combined polygon

Step 5: find the lower tangent line in the same way as upper just reversing the turning to go down till arriving at the lower tangent line.

Step 6:  $p, q$  will be the left most and right most point of  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  respectively

$q$  will rotate down if the counterclockwise neighbor makes a right turn, and  $p$  will rotate down if the clockwise neighbor makes a left turn.

Step 6: Using the two found tangents the new combined polygon will be formed.

Runtime: All points will be seen at most once in the worst case, so  $O(n)$

b.

Step 1: First take the  $n$  points and find the vertical median line on the x axis,

Step 2: The points to the left of the line will be in one group and the points to the right will be in another

Step 3: Run this division recursively on every resulting group until the groups size is either 2 or 3 points.

Step 4: Time for merging of the points,

Since the points were split on the median line, the two polygons to merge will always be to the left or right of each other.

Take the left polygon  $p_0$  and right polygon  $p_1$  and run the algorithm found in part a.

Step 5: merge up all polygons until the result is the final fully merged polygon.

Runtime: The division and algo will take  $O(n)$  and the merging will take  $O(\log n)$  resulting in  $O(n \log n)$

## Question 1.9

To show that  $S$  can be sorted in  $O(n) + O(n \log n)$  we can do these steps.

Step 1: Take every point in  $S$  and create a new list  $S'$  with the construction of  $S(x) = S'(x, x^2)$

this results in a list that if everyone point was plotted, a exponential graph would be formed

Step 2: Then run this new list  $S'$ , which is still unsorted, through the CONVEXHULL algorithm.

Step 3: The resulting polygon will be a sorted list of  $S'$ , all left turns as well if starting from  $(0,0)$ , or the bottom points.

Step 4: To get the sorted list of  $S$  simply take the x value of  $S'$

Runtime: Converting the list  $S$  to  $S'$  will take  $O(n)$  and the runtime of CONVEXHULL is  $O(n \log n)$