

Robustness

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Early algorithms [70's]

- Incremental
- Gift wrapping

non-optimal

“simple”

actually coded

motivated by applications (meshes, reconstruction)

Optimal algorithms [80's]

- Divide & conquer
- Plane sweep

worst-case optimal

simple

~~actually coded~~

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computational geometry known as a **purely theoretical** field

A more pragmatic point of view

Randomized algorithms [90's]

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- Conflict graph
- History graph
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→ Robustness issues [95's]

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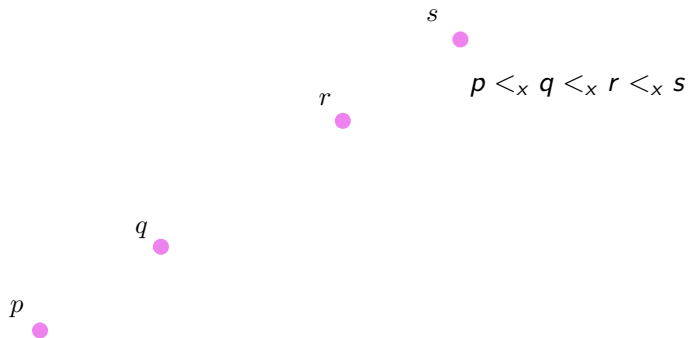
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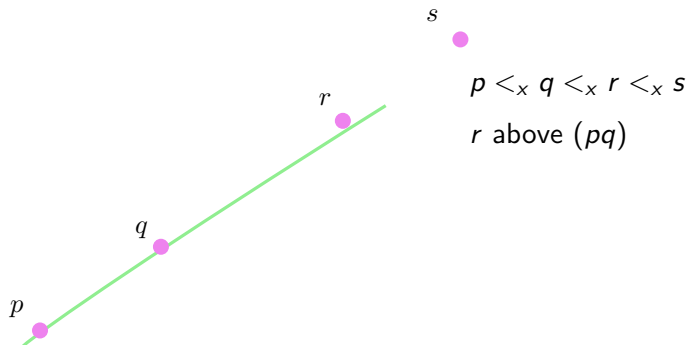
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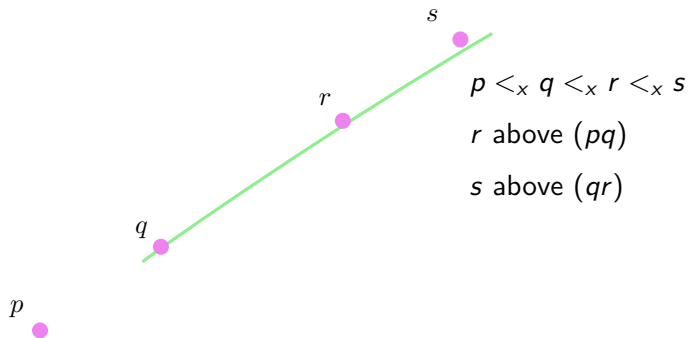
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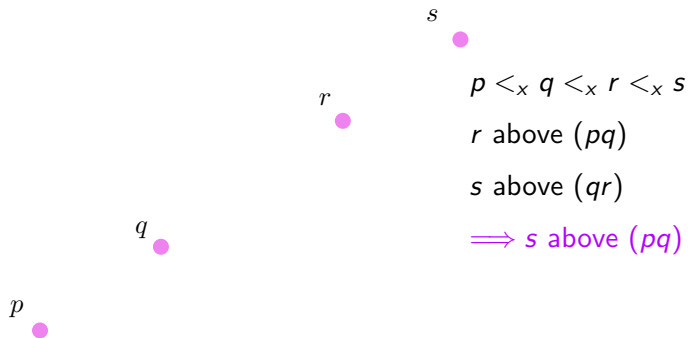
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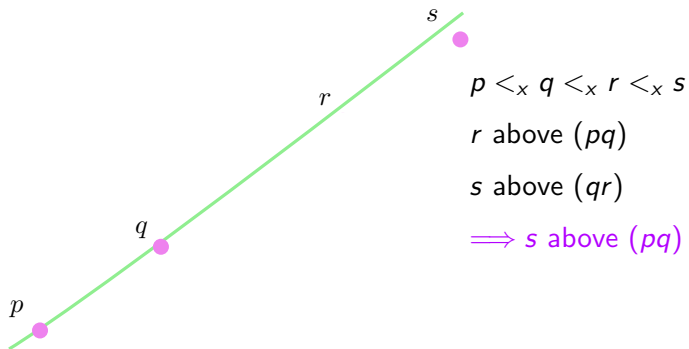
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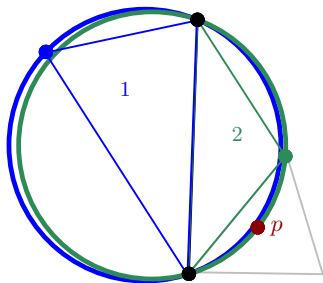


Arithmetic issues



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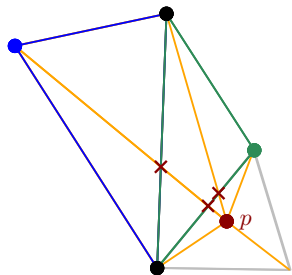
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inconsistencies!
algorithm fails

Arithmetic issues

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⇒ **inconsistencies**

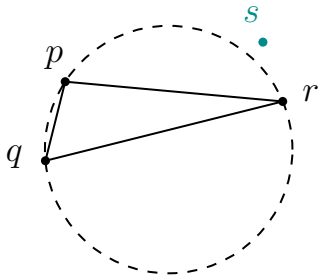
not just imprecisions

⇒ **failure**

see course convex hull

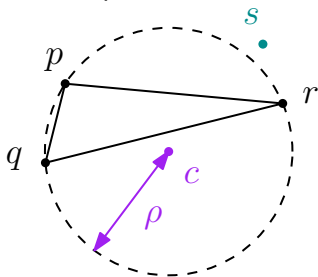
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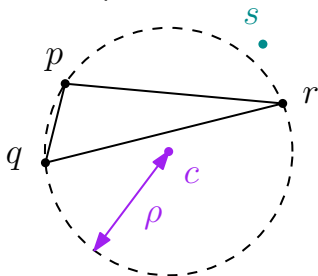
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solve \rightarrow

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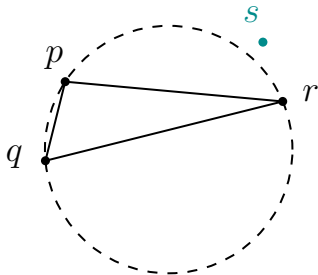
Bad idea...

rounding errors $\leftrightarrow p, q, r \notin \mathcal{C}(c, \rho)$

“random” result for s

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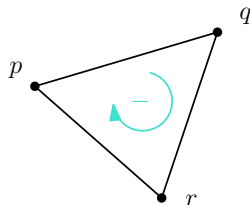
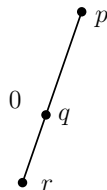
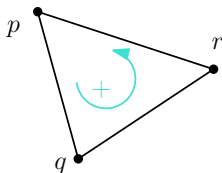
in_disk predicate



$$\text{in_disk}(p, q, r, s) = \text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ p_x & q_x & r_x & s_x \\ p_y & q_y & r_y & s_y \\ p_x^2 + p_y^2 & q_x^2 + q_y^2 & r_x^2 + r_y^2 & s_x^2 + s_y^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

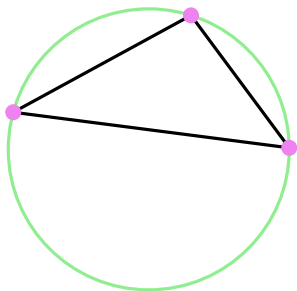
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orientation predicate



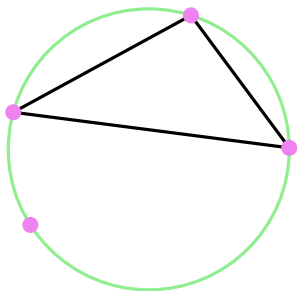
$$\text{orient}(p, q, r) = \text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ p_x & q_x & r_x \\ p_y & q_y & r_y \end{vmatrix}$$

Degenerate cases



Choices

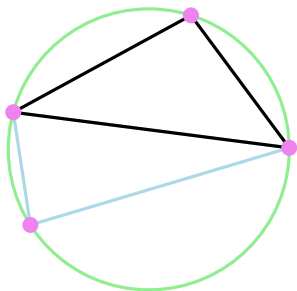
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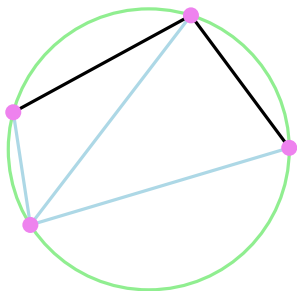
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Choices

? new point “outside disk”

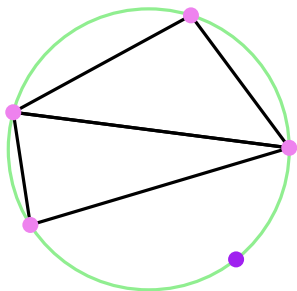
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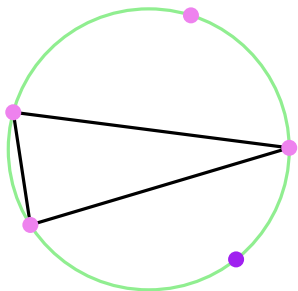
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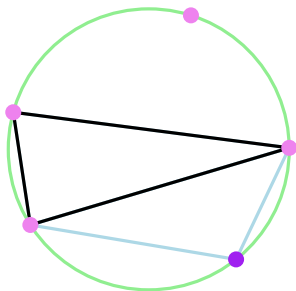
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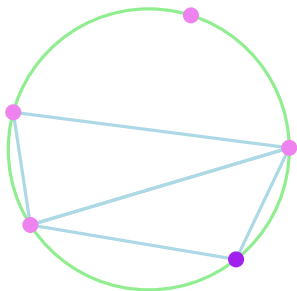
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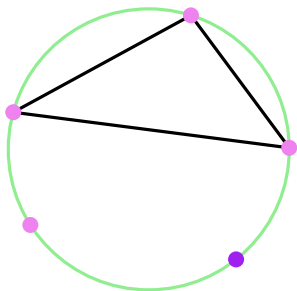
choice: new point “outside”

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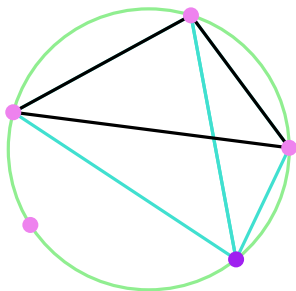
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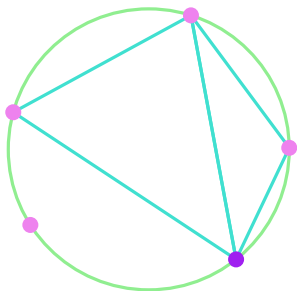
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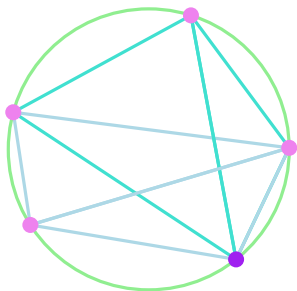
choice: new point “inside”

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inconsistency

decisions must be made
in a consistent way

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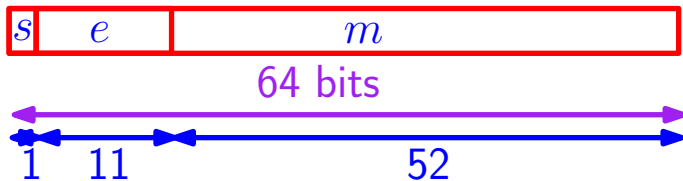
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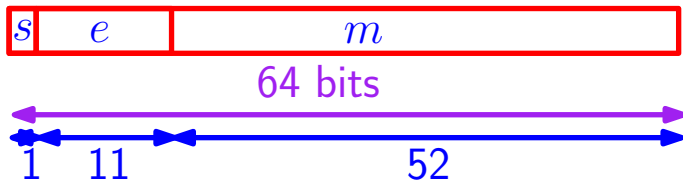
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IEEE 754



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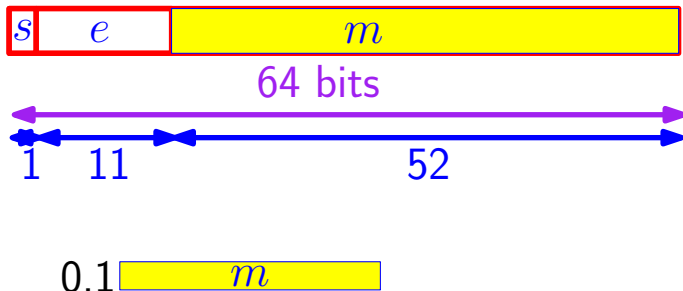
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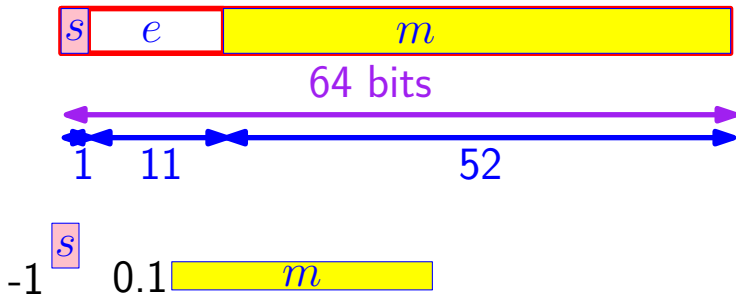
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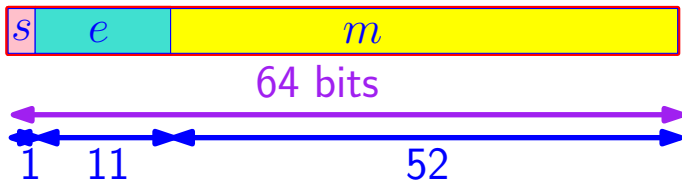
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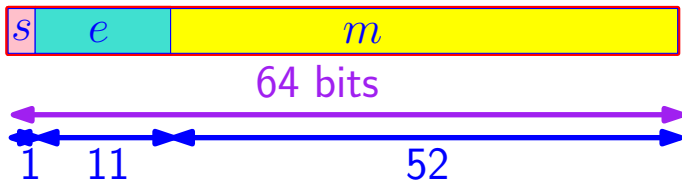
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$$-1^s \cdot 0.1^e \cdot m \cdot 2^{-1024+e}$$

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normalized numbers

Representable Numbers



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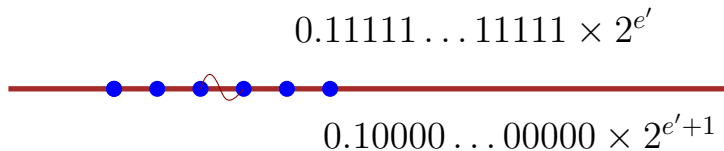
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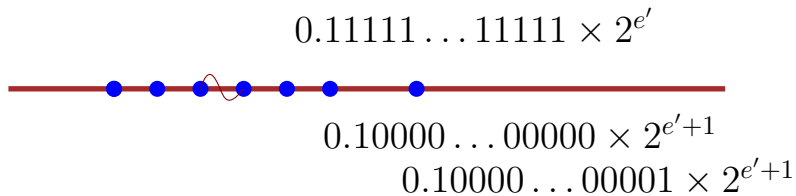
$$0.11111 \dots 11111 \times 2^{e'}$$



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$$0.10000 \dots 00000 \times 2^{e'+1}$$

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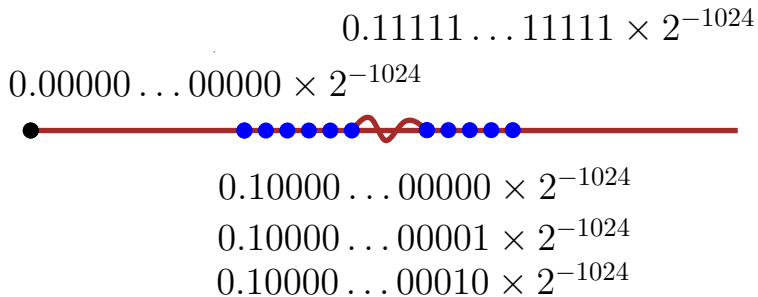


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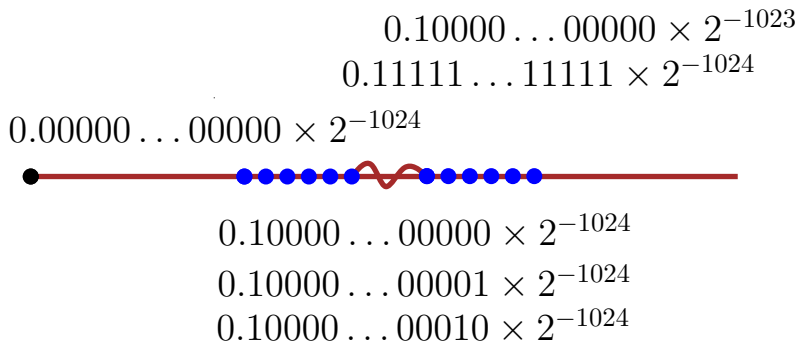
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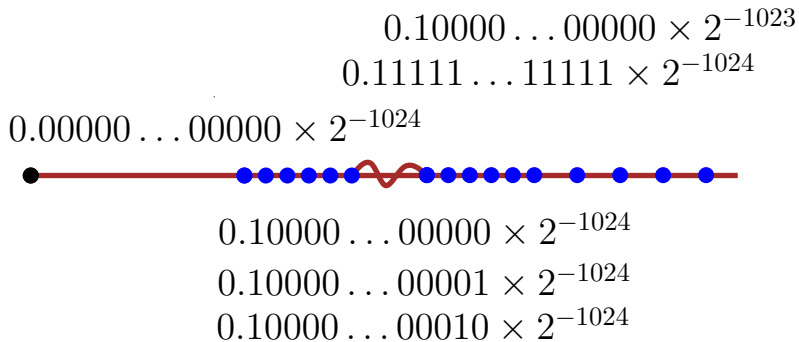
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Denormalized Numbers

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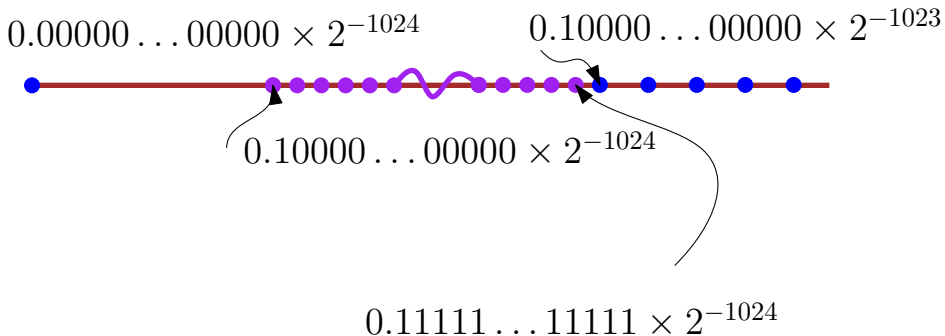
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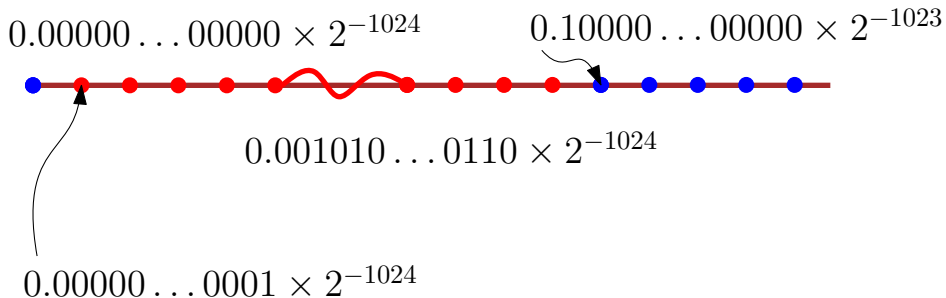
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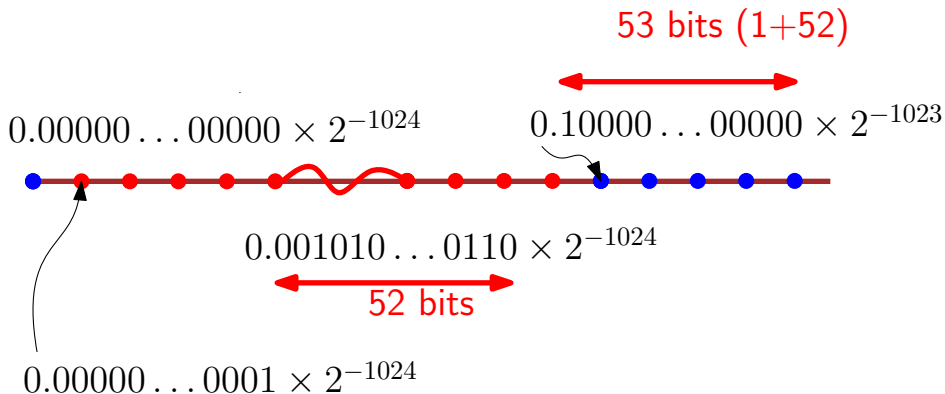
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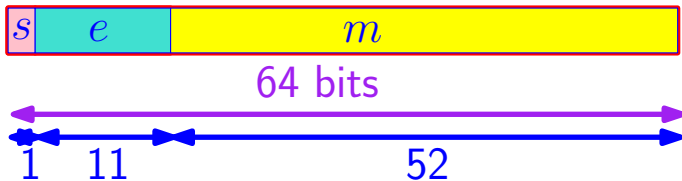


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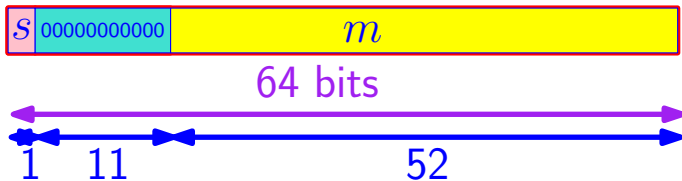
double \rightarrow normalized



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double \rightarrow de-normalized



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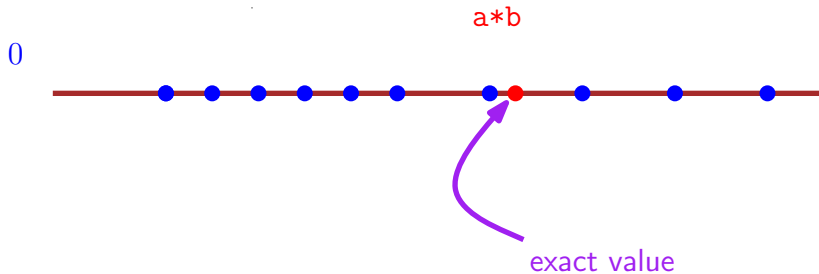
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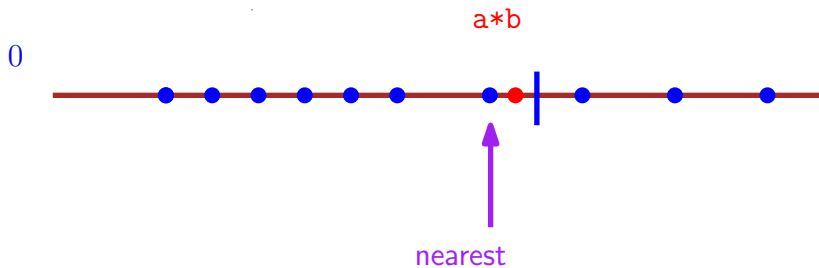
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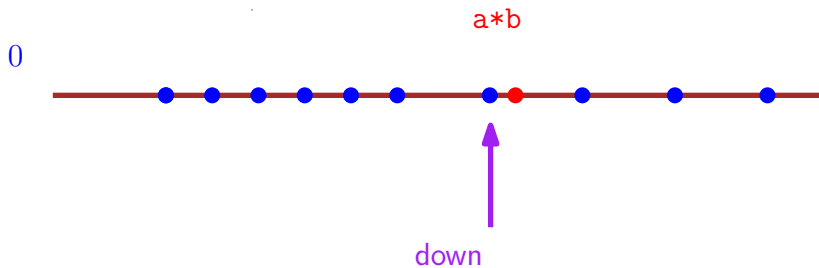
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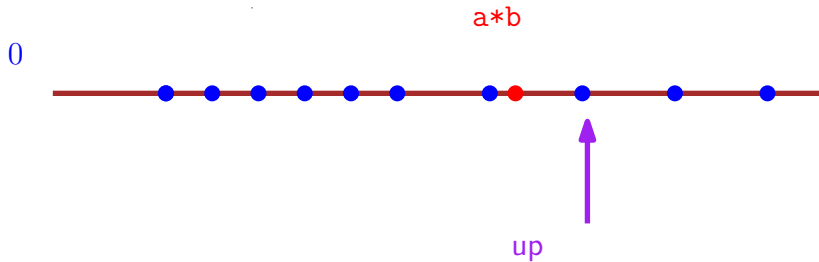
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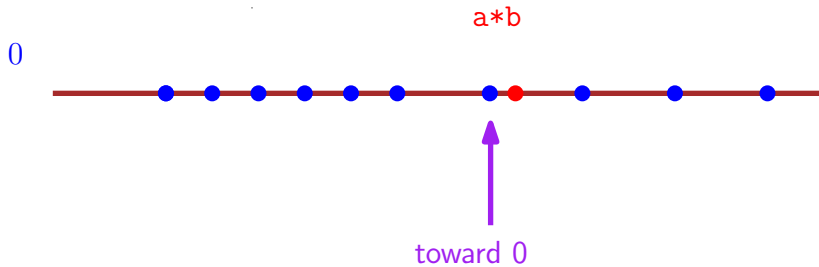
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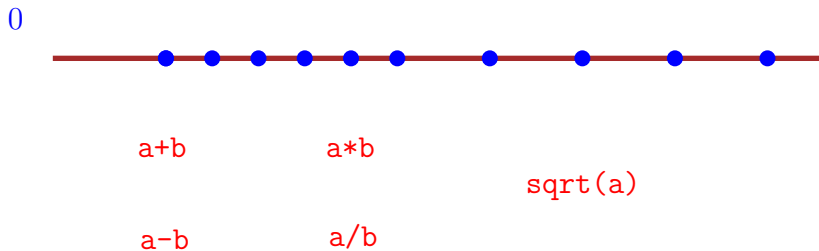
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Arithmetic issues — Consequences

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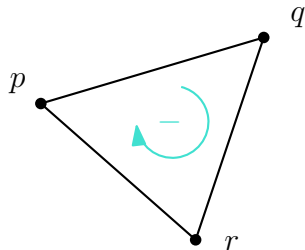
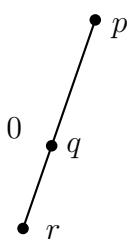
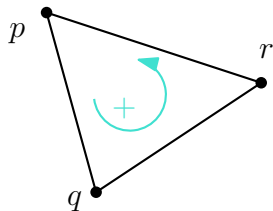
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Orientation predicate



$$\text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} x_p & x_q & x_r \\ y_p & y_q & y_r \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = \text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} x_q - x_p & x_r - x_p \\ y_q - y_p & y_r - y_p \end{vmatrix}$$

Toy model

double

53 binary digits

float

24 binary digits

Toy model

2 decimal digits

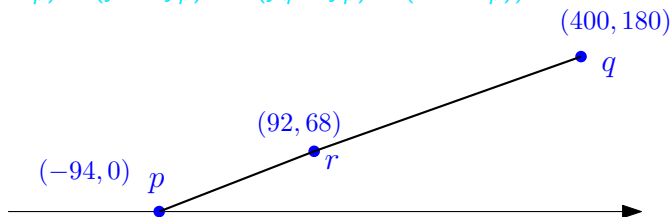
$$35 + 3.7 = 38.7 \text{ exact}$$

$$(35 + 3.3) + 0.4 \approx 38$$

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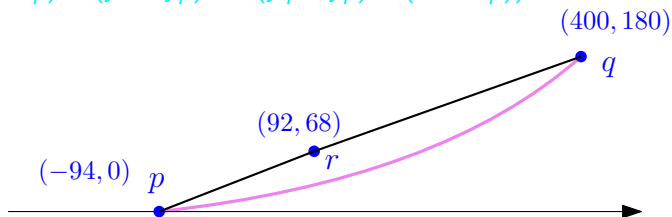
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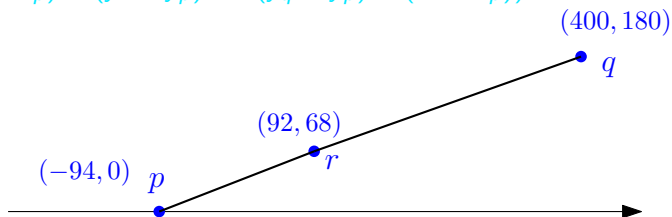
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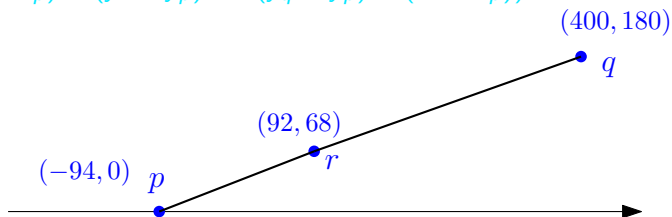


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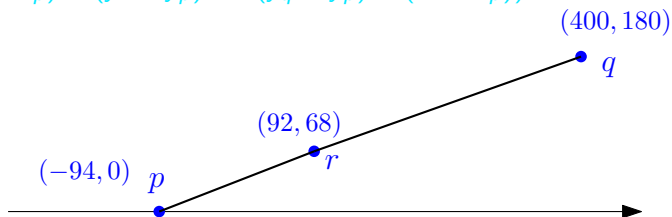
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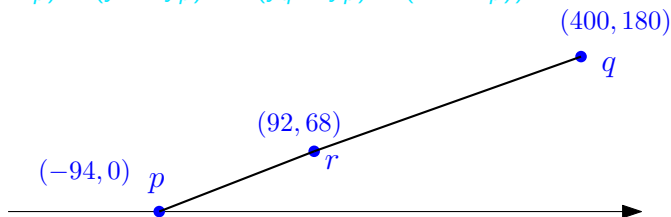


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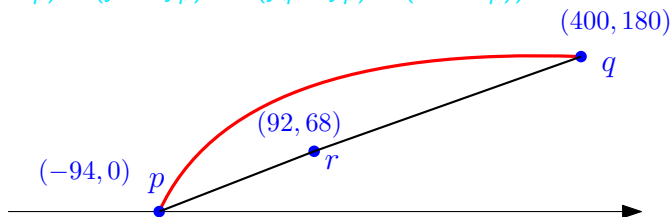
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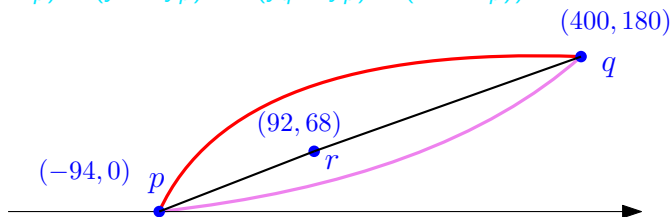


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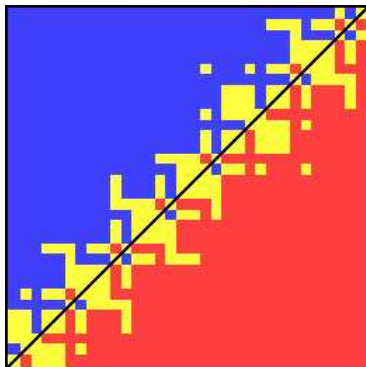
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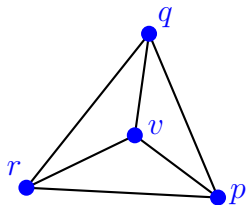
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256 x 256 pixel image

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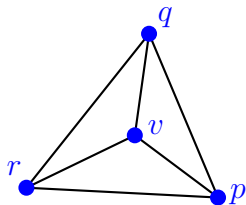
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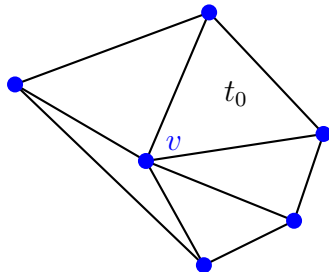
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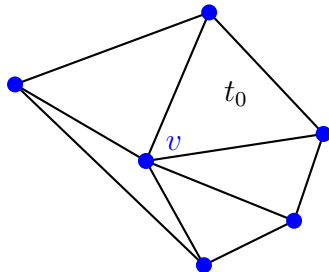
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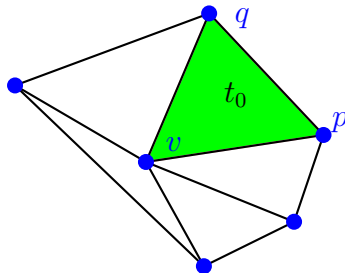
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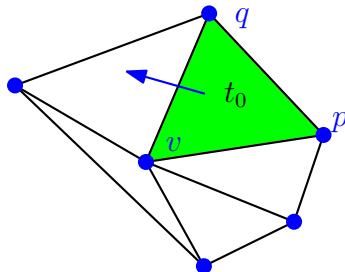
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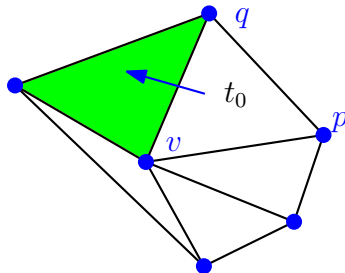
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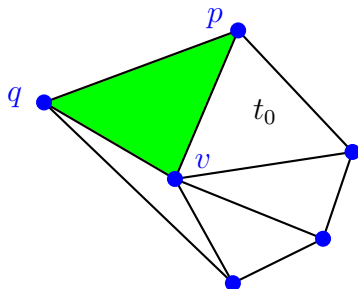
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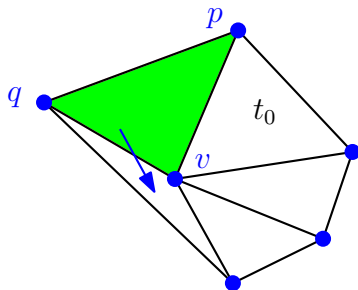
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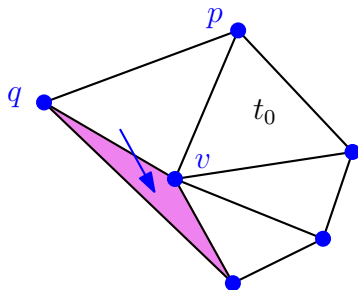
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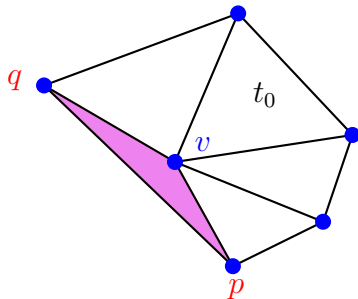
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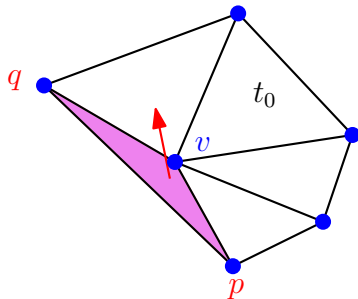
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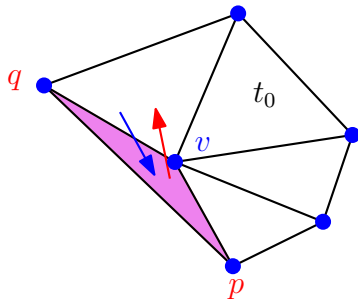
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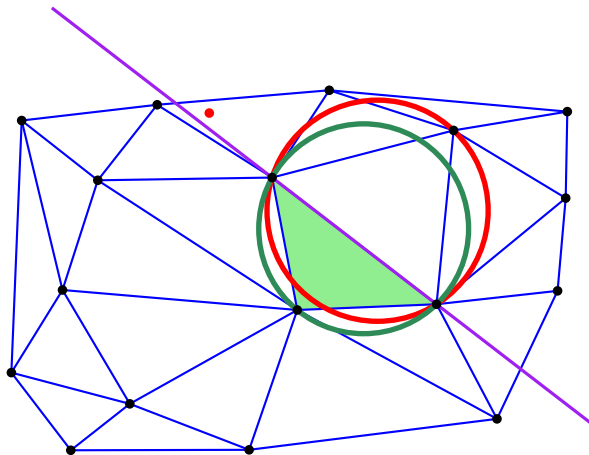
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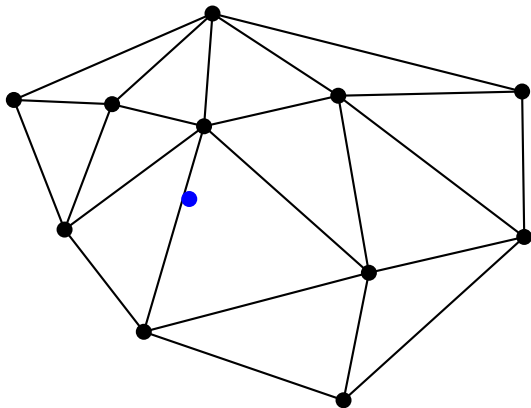


may have **cycles** even in a Delaunay triangulation

see course [Delaunay triangulation](#)

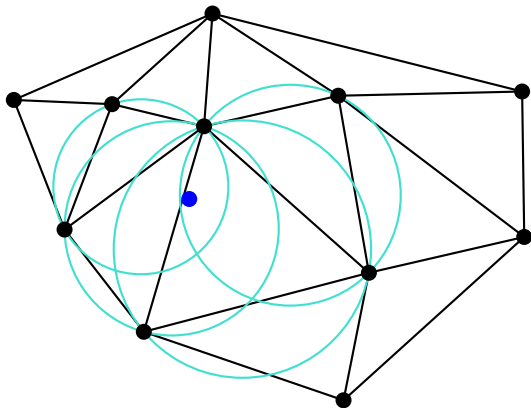
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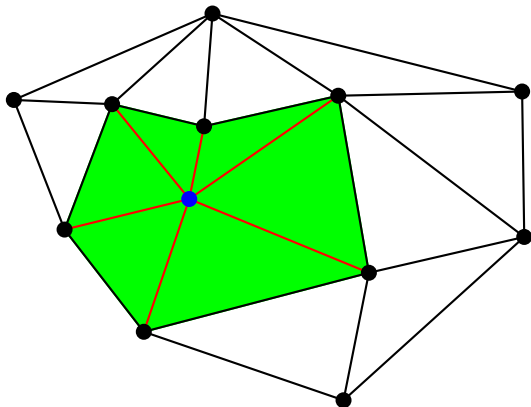
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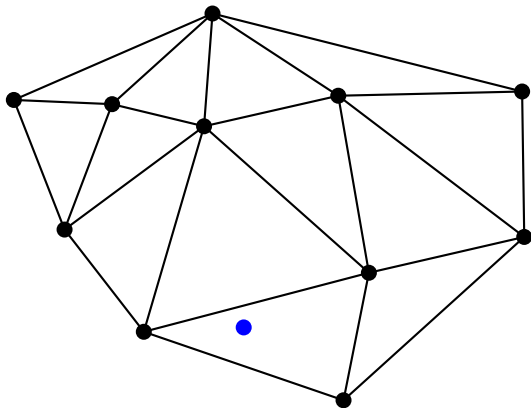


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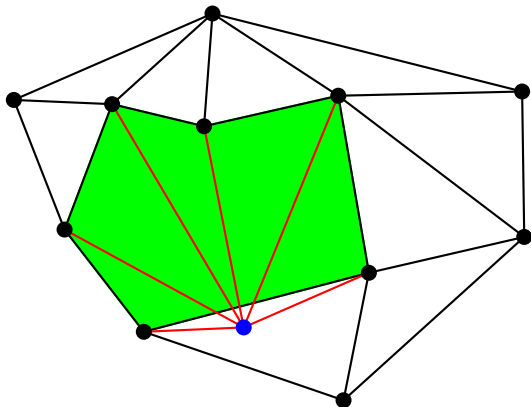
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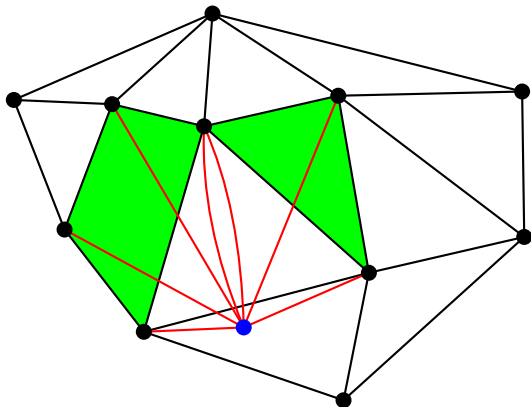


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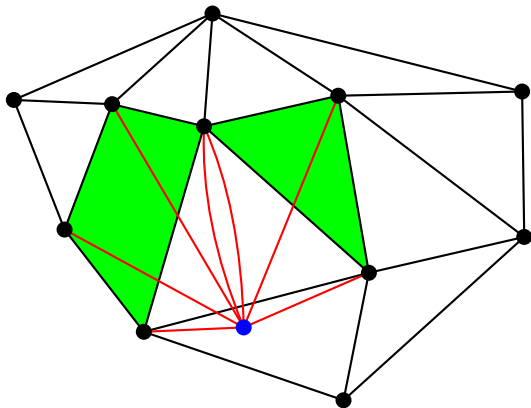


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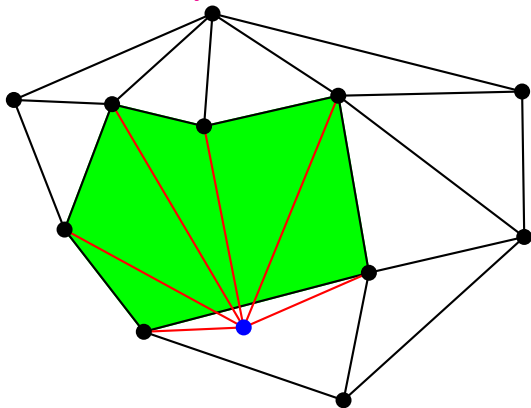


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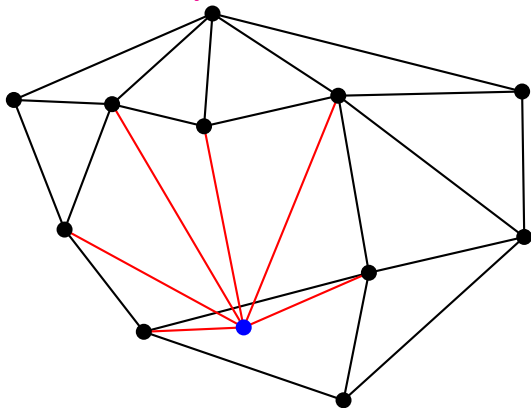
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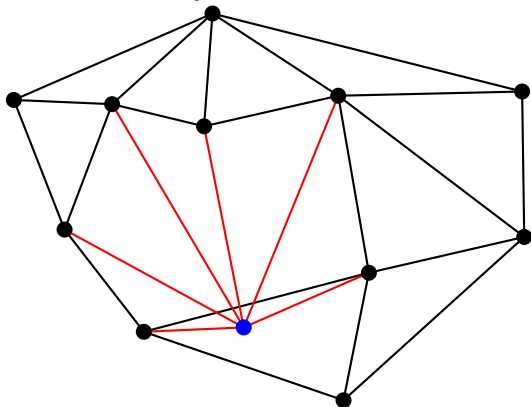


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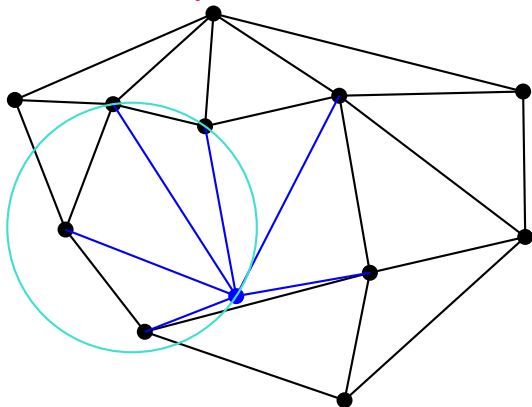


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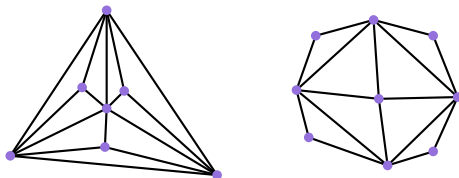


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It may be non combinatorially (strictly) Delaunay

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- hardly ever used
- not used any more

Solution 2 - Pretend that we can compute on real numbers

Maybe use a subset of the real numbers

- rational numbers
- algebraic numbers
- ...?

Exact geometric computing

Arithmetic issues — Exact Geometric Computing

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- (Simplified) history
- Robustness: Two main issues

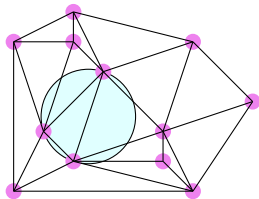
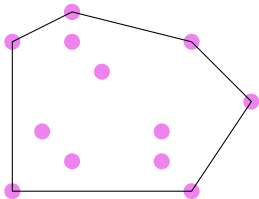
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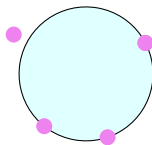
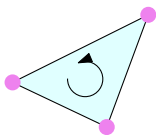
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Predicates

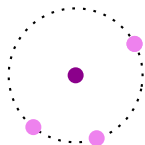
Result of a combinatorial algorithm



depends on **decisions** based on the evaluation of **predicates**:
 set of points $\mapsto \{-1, 0, 1\}$



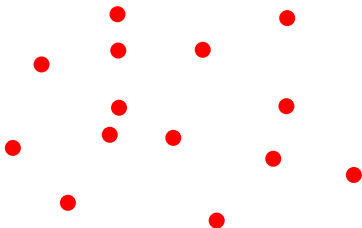
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construction of a new geometric object

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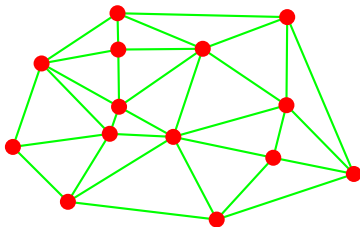
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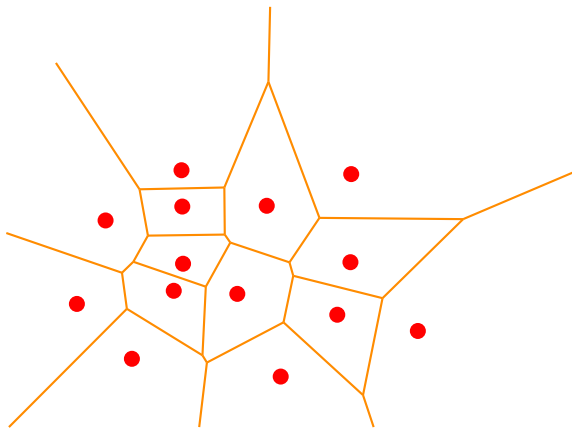
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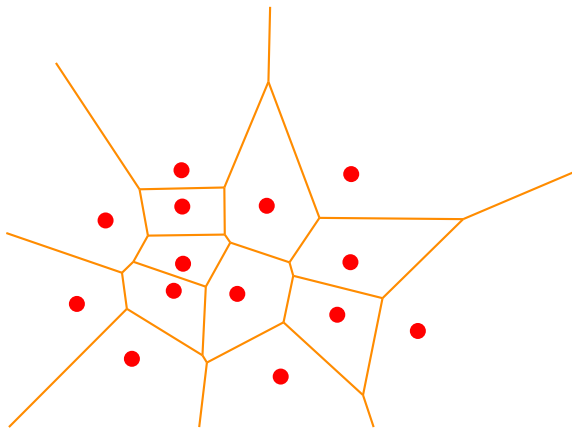
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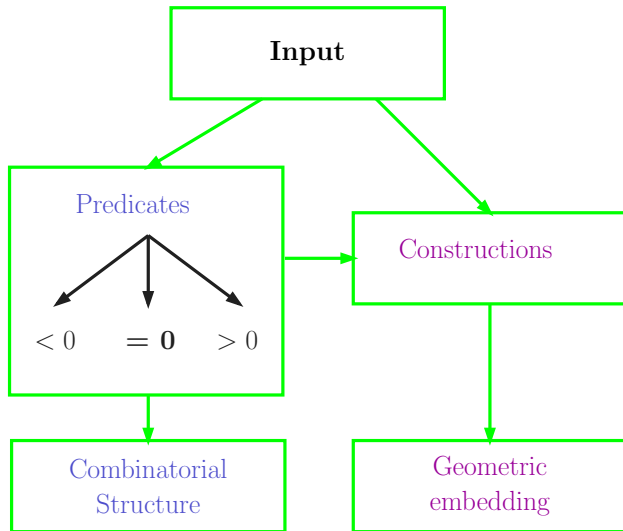
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→ the underlying combinatorial structure only needs **predicates**

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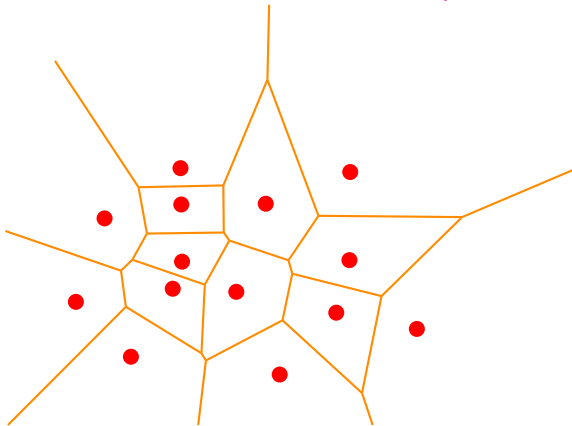


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Exact arithmetics ?

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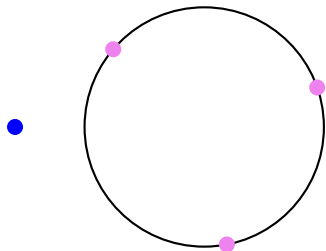


sufficient to get a correct underlying combinatorial structure
constructions can be approximate

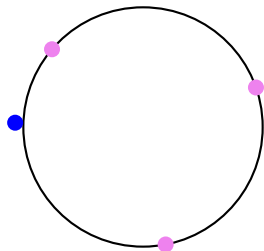
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filtered computations



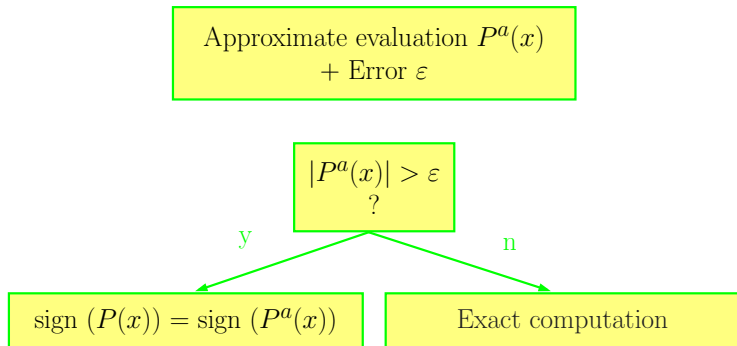
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difficult cases
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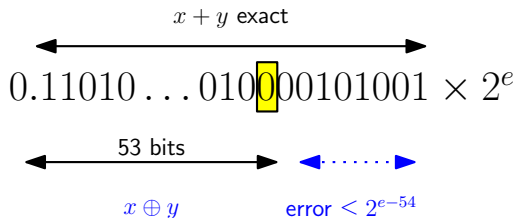
Predicate = sign of a polynomial expression $P(x)$
 (x = coordinates)



easy cases are more frequent

\implies cost \simeq cost of approximate (double) computation

Controlling the error



$$x + y = x \oplus y + \varepsilon_{x+y}$$

$$2^{e-1} \leq |x + y| < 2^e \leq 2|x + y| \implies$$

$$\varepsilon_{x+y} \leq 2^{e-54} \leq |x + y| 2^{-53}$$

and similarly for other operations

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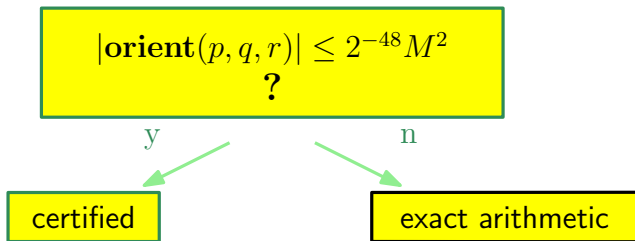
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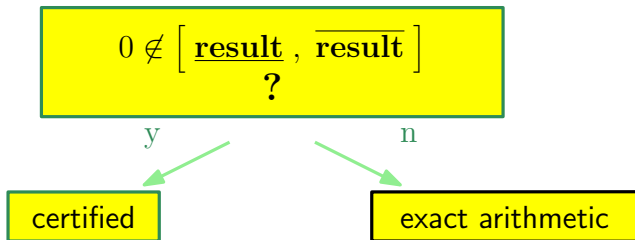
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Programming

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template <class FT>
Orientation orientation
    ( FT px, FT py, FT qx, FT qy, FT rx, FT ry)
{
    return sign( (qx-px)*(ry-py)-(rx-px)*(qy-py) );
}
```

FT = “any” number type, including interval

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Conclusion

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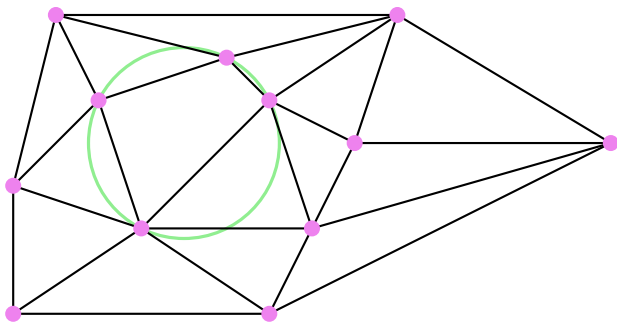
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- does not mean exact arithmetic

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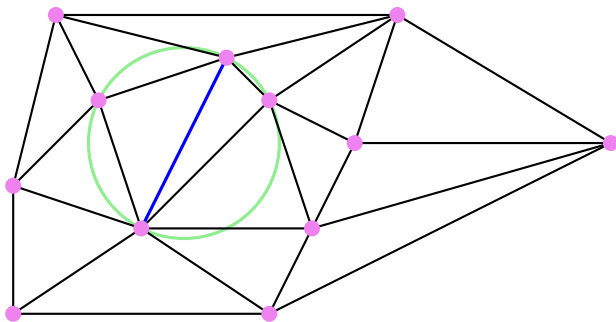


would require to treat all degenerate cases explicitly
and more general data structures \rightsquigarrow non-constant access

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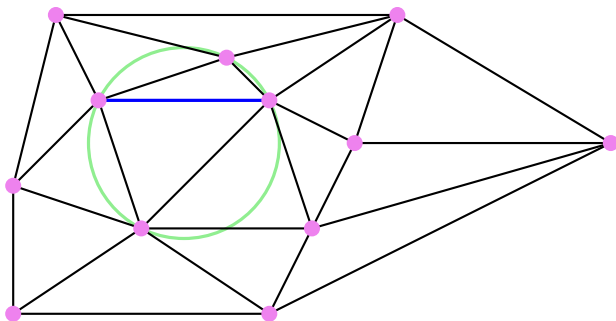


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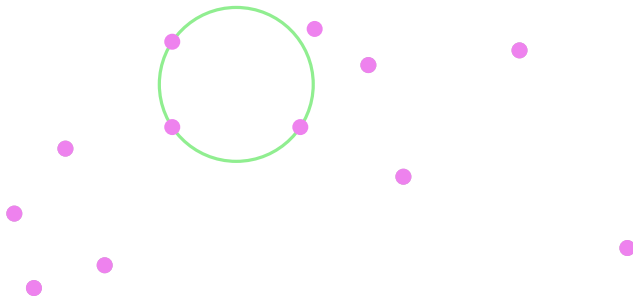
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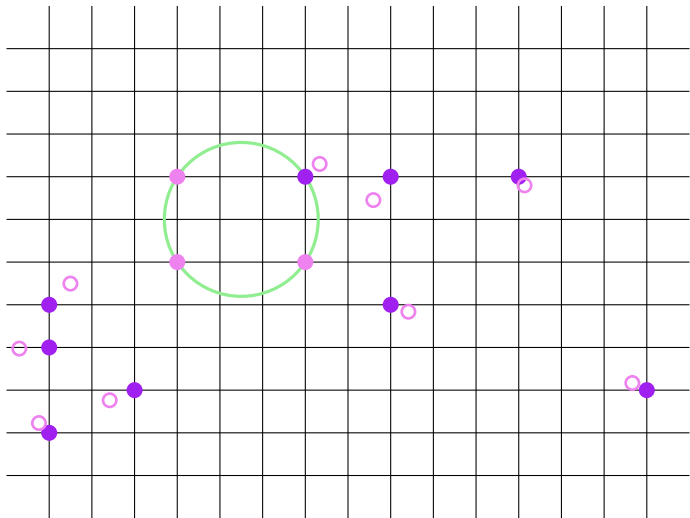
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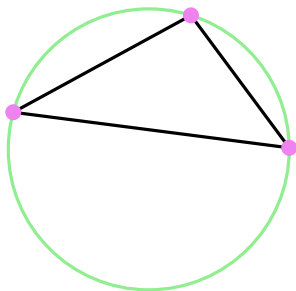


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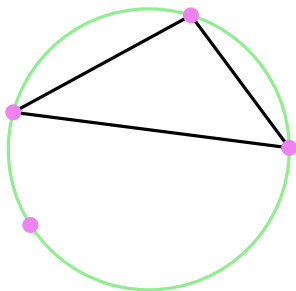
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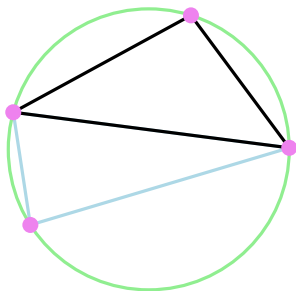


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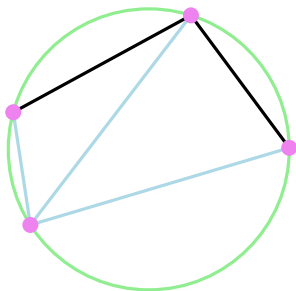
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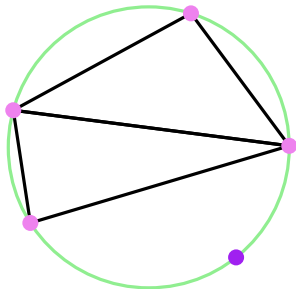
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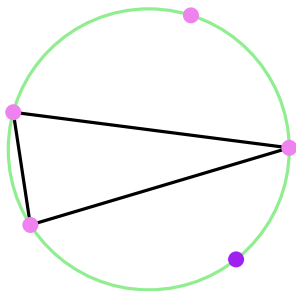
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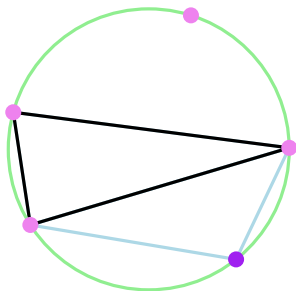
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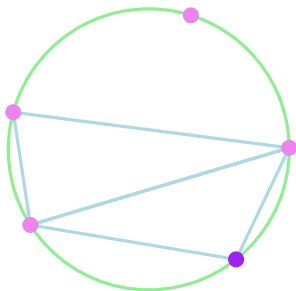
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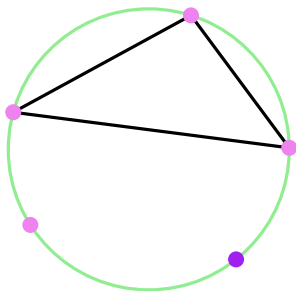
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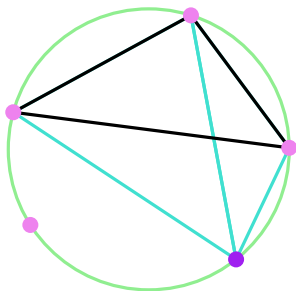
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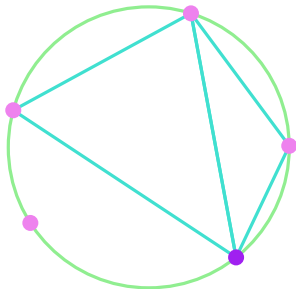
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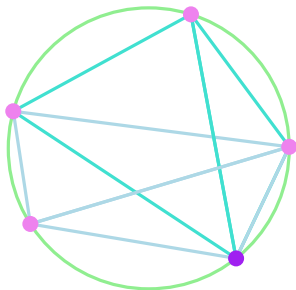
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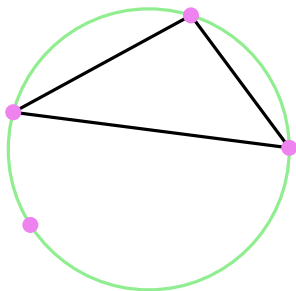
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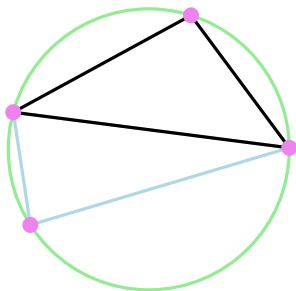
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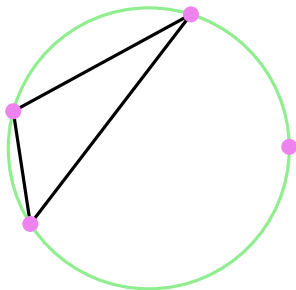
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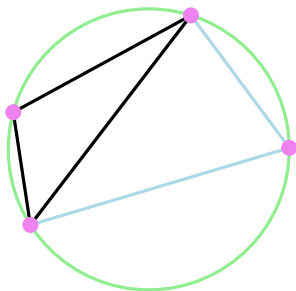
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→ different results

(and still sometimes inconsistencies)

Controlled perturbations

A way to ensure consistent choices

Degenerate input

Data perturbed by small epsilons

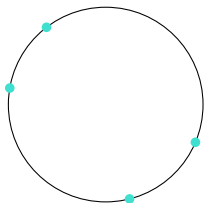
Requires careful control of epsilons
to ensure that perturbed data is non-degenerate

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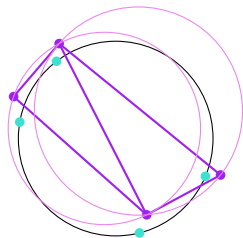


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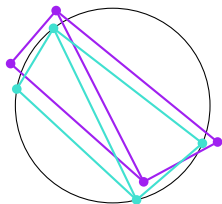


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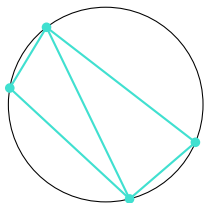
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$$\text{Example: orient}(O, p_i, p_j) = \text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} x_i & x_j \\ y_i & y_j \end{vmatrix}$$

$$i = 3, j = 1, \text{sign} \begin{vmatrix} x_3 & x_1 \\ y_3 & y_1 \end{vmatrix}$$

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non-null polynomial

sign = sign of first non-null coefficient

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- requires to check that it works for each necessary predicate
- heavy
- depends on an indexing of the points

Perturbing the world

Example: comparison of abscissae
 $\text{sign}(x_2 - x_1)$

$$(x, y) \mapsto (x + \varepsilon y, y)$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_2 - x_1 &\mapsto (x_2 + \varepsilon y_2) - (x_1 + \varepsilon y_1) = \\ &(x_2 - x_1) + \varepsilon(y_2 - y_1)\end{aligned}$$

non-null polynomial (except for equal points)

Perturbing the world for Delaunay

Orientation predicate

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p^*, q^*, r^* : projections of p, q, r on the unit paraboloid

null polynomial \implies the projections of p^*, q^*, r^*

- on the (x, y) -plane
- on the (x, z) -plane
- on the (y, z) -plane

are collinear $\implies p^*, q^*, r^*$ are collinear

\implies 2 points among p^*, q^*, r^* are equal

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p, q, r, s cannot be both collinear and cocircular

→ contradiction

the perturbed in_disk polynomial is non-null

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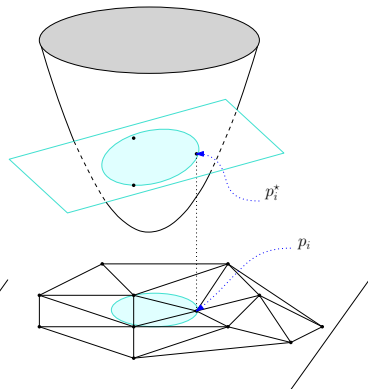
Main drawback for Delaunay

All predicates are perturbed by all the above perturbations

including orientation

↳ these perturbations can lead to flat tetrahedra

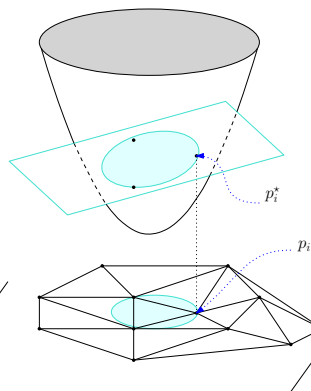
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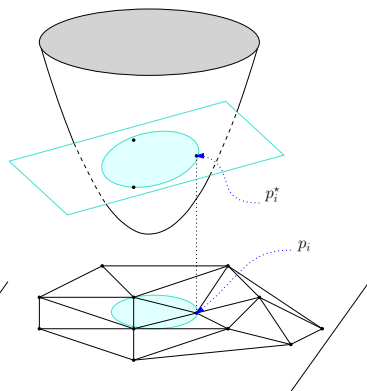
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point with highest index
in the disk of the other 3

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Perturbing points in the $d + 1^{th}$ dimension

global indexing = lexicographic order

Delaunay triangulation **uniquely defined**

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- **NO flat simplex**
- easy to implement
- does not need points to be globally sorted
- lighter computations

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- result is not (always) the Delaunay triangulation of a non-degenerate set of points
weighted Delaunay triangulation instead