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# Delaunay properties of digital straight segments 

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## Outline

Definitions: patterns and Delaunay triangulation

Observation: Delaunay triangulation of patterns?

## Characterization: proof

Conclusion: new output-sensitive algorithms

## Digital straight line (DSL)

## Standard DSL

The points ( $x, y$ ) $\in \mathbb{Z}^{2}$ verifying $\mu \leq a x-b y<\mu+|a|+|b|$ belong to the standard $\operatorname{DSL} D(a, b, \mu)$ of slope $\frac{a}{b}$ and intercept $\mu(a, b, \mu \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $\operatorname{pgcd}(a, b)=1)$.

Example: $D(2,5,-6)$


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## Delaunay triangulation

Triangulation of a finite set of points $\mathcal{S}$
Partition of the convex hull of $\mathcal{S}$ into triangular facets, whose vertices are points of $\mathcal{S}$.

Delaunay condition
The interior of the circumcircle of each triangular facet does not contain any point of $\mathcal{S}$.

always exists and is unique (without 4 cocircular points)

## Delaunay triangulation of patterns

Pattern of slope 5/9


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Pattern of slope 5/8


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Pattern of slope 2/5


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3. the Delaunay triangulation of some patterns contains the Delaunay triangulation of subpatterns.

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## Main facet of a pattern (remark 2)

## Main facet $=$ triangle $U B U^{\prime}$

Let $B$ the Bezout point of $U U^{\prime}$ and let

- $\left[q_{0} ; \ldots, q_{i}, \ldots, q_{n}\right]$ (with $q_{n}>1$ ) be the quotients and
- $\left(b_{0}, a_{0}\right), \ldots,\left(b_{i}, a_{i}\right), \ldots,\left(b_{n}, a_{n}\right)$ be the convergent vectors of the continued fraction expansion of $\frac{a}{b}$.

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\overrightarrow{U U^{\prime}}=\overrightarrow{U B}+\overrightarrow{B U^{\prime}}=\left(b_{n}, a_{n}\right)+\left(\left(q_{n}-1\right)\left(b_{n}, a_{n}\right)+\left(b_{n-1}, a_{n-1}\right)\right)
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Equivalent to the splitting formula [Voss, 1993] only expressed in terms of quotients.

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## Main result

## Theorem

The facets $\mathcal{F}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ of the pattern $U U^{\prime}$ is a triangulation of $\mathcal{H}^{+}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ such that each facet has points of $U U^{\prime}$ as vertices and satisfies the Delaunay property, i.e. $\mathcal{F}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)=\mathcal{T}^{+}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$.
the (upper part of the) Delaunay triangulation of a pattern is characterized by the continued fraction expansion of its slope

## Sketch of the proof

We have to show that:

1. the set of facets $\mathcal{F}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ is a triangulation of $\mathcal{H}^{+}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ (easy part)
2. the interior of the circumcircle of each facet of $\mathcal{F}\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ does not contain any point of $U U^{\prime}$ (let us focus on that part)

## Lemma 1

Let $\mathcal{D}$ be a disk whose boundary passes through $U$ and $U^{\prime}$ and whose center is located above $\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$. The interior of $\mathcal{D}$ contains a lattice point below or on $\left(U U^{\prime}\right)$ if and only if it contains (at least) $B$, the Bezout point of $U U^{\prime}$.


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## Lemma 2

Let $\mathcal{D}$ be a disk whose boundary $\partial \mathcal{D}$ is the circumcircle of $U B U^{\prime}$. The interior of $\mathcal{D}$ contains none of the background points of $U U^{\prime}$ (lattice points below straight lines $(U B)$ or $\left(B U^{\prime}\right)$ ).


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DSS of slope $8 / 5$


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- Convex digital object

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## Perspectives

New linear-time and output-sensitive algorithms to compute geometrical structures from specific sets of lattice points.

- study more geometrical structures:
- Delaunay triangulation, Voronoï diagram
- $\alpha$-hull, $\alpha$-shape
- medial axis, skeleton
- study other sets:
- patterns, DSSs
- convex digital objects
- two consecutive maximal segments
- convex digital boundaries


## C'est fini!

