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# VORONOI DIAGRAM PART II

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# Talk overview

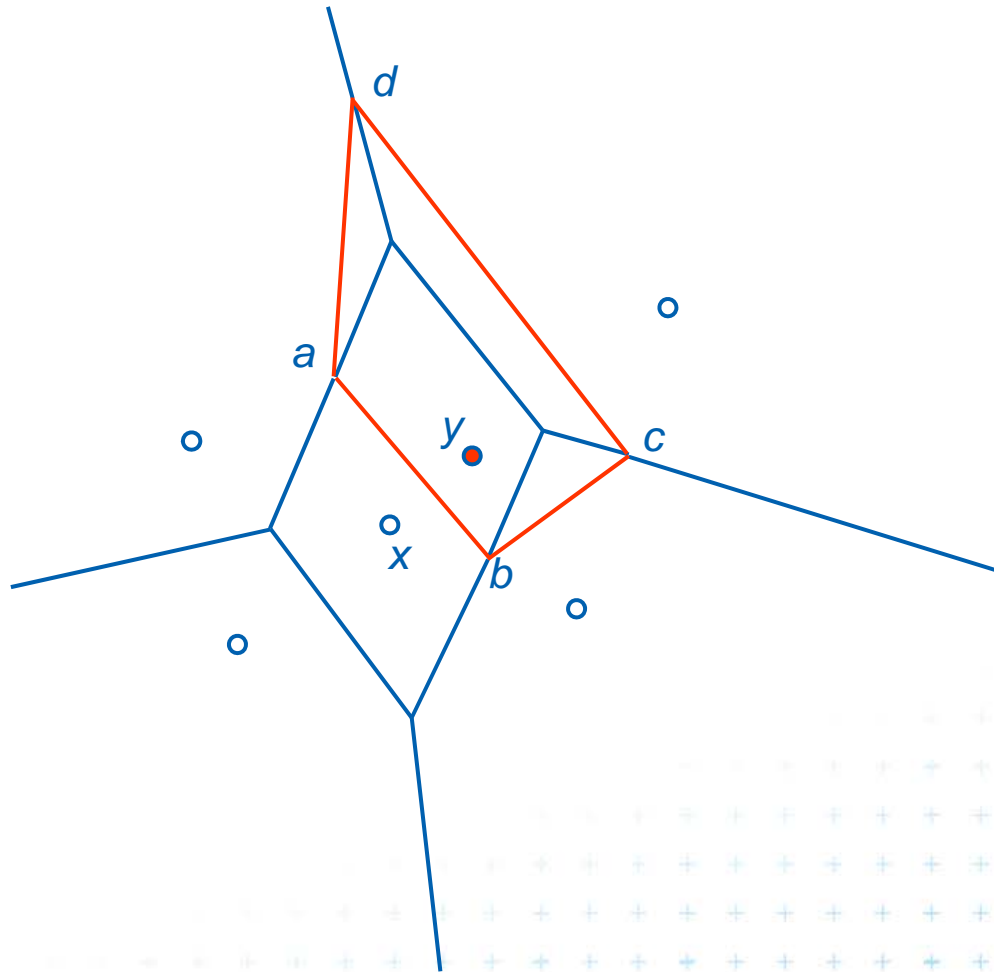
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- Incremental construction
- Voronoi diagram of line segments
- VD of order  $k$
- Farthest-point VD



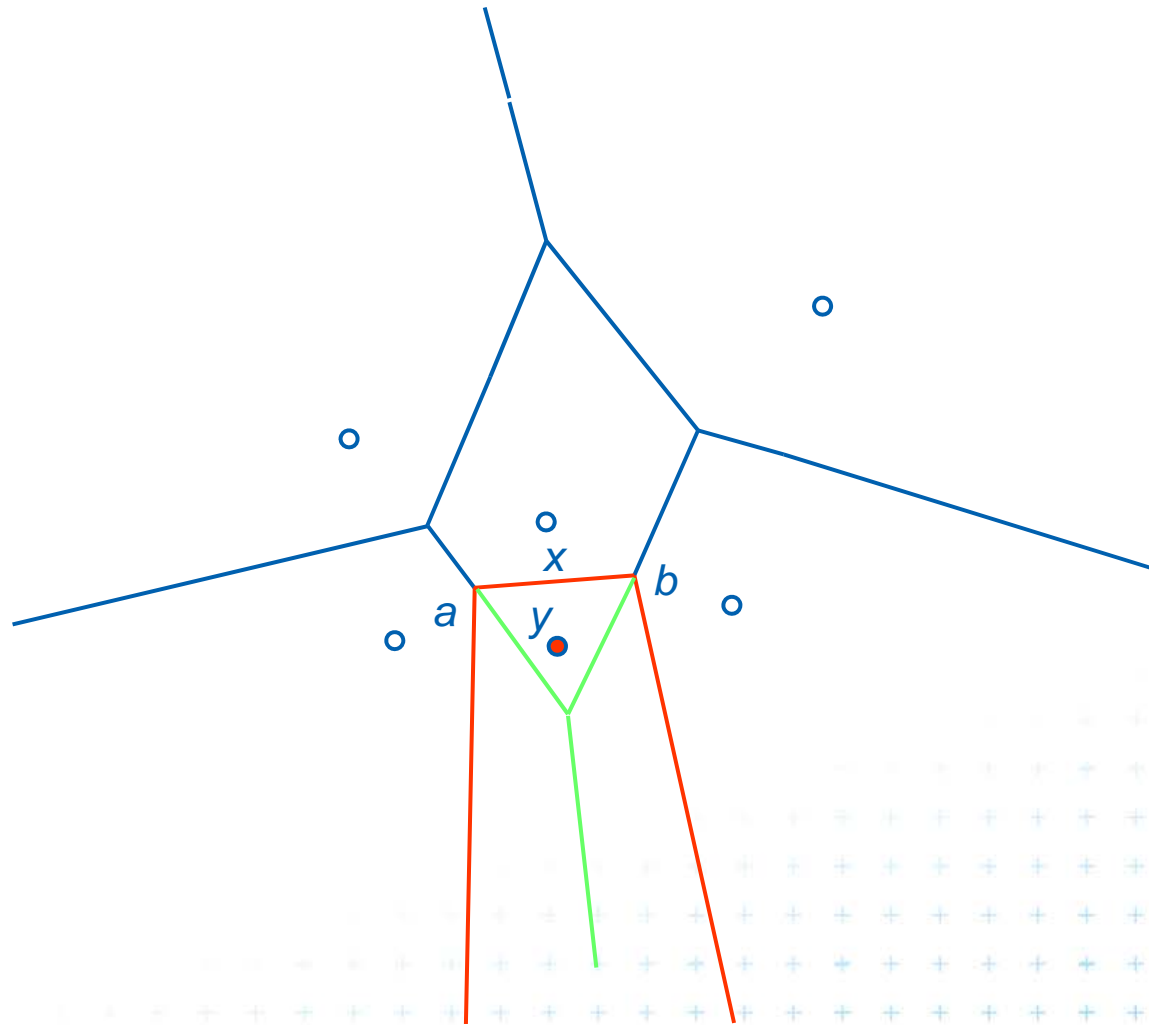
# Incremental construction – bounded cell

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# Incremental construction – unbounded cell

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# Incremental construction algorithm

**InsertPoint(S, Vor(S), y )** ... **y = a new site**

*Input:* Point set S, its Voronoi diagram, and inserted point  $y \in S$

*Output:* VD after insertion of **y**

1. Find the cell  $V(x)$  in which **y** falls, set  $c = \text{undef}$  ...  $O(\log n)$
2. Detect the intersections  $\{a, b\}$  of bisector  $L(x, y)$  with boundary of cell  $V(x)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  \* first edge  $e = ab$  on the border of cells of sites  $x$  and **y** ...  $O(n)$
3. **p = b**, site  $z = \text{neighbor site across the border with point } b$  ...  $O(1)$
4. **while**( exists( $p$ ) and  $c \hat{=} a$  ) // trace the bisectors from **b** in one direction
  - a. Detect the intersection  $c$  of bisector  $L(z, y)$  with  $V(z)$
  - b. Report Voronoi edge  $pc$
  - c.  $p = c$ ,  $z = \text{neighbor site across border with } c$
5. **if**(  $c \hat{=} a$  ) **then** // trace the bisectors from **a** in other direction
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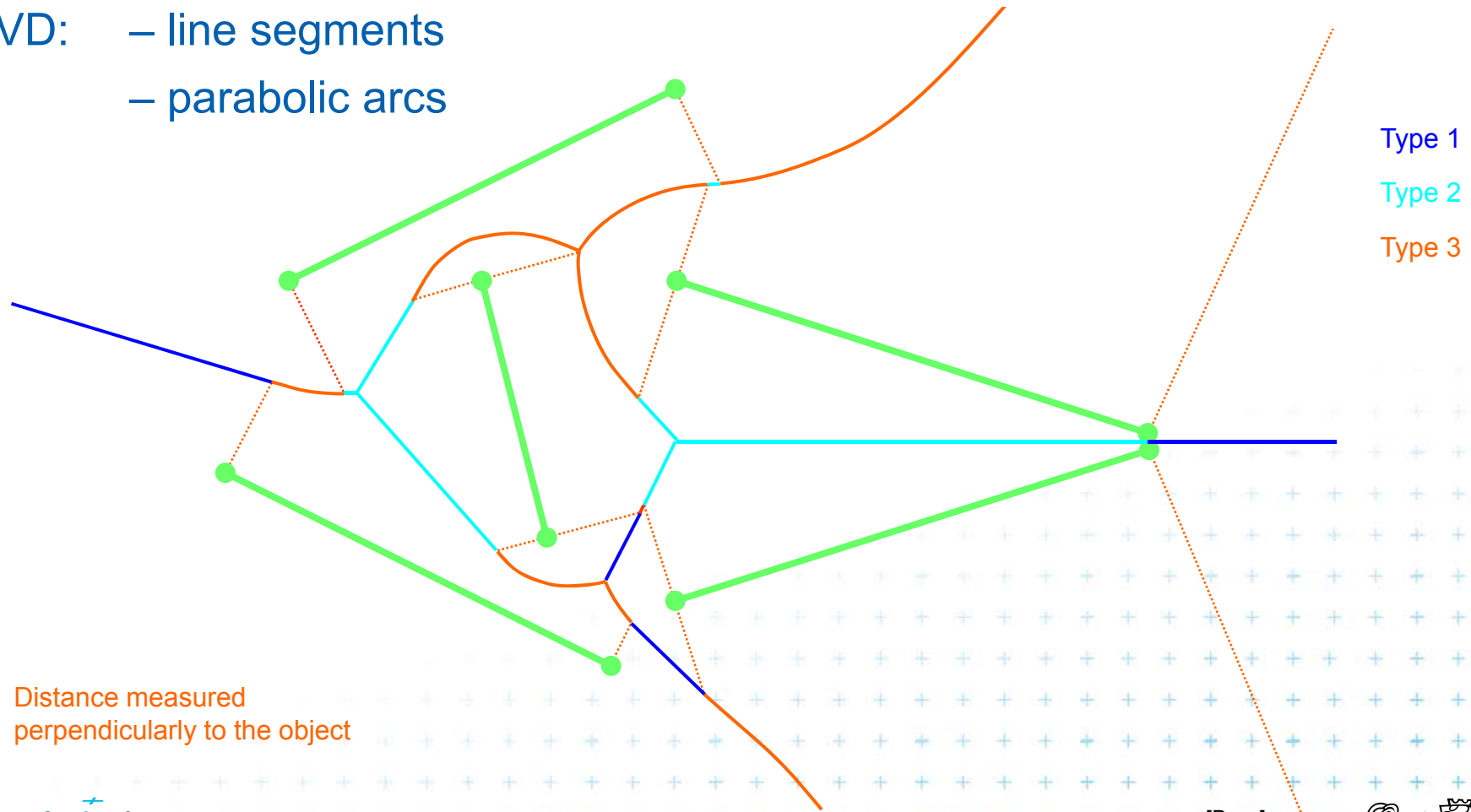
$O(n^2)$  worst-case,  $O(n)$  expected time for some distributions



# Voronoi diagram of line segments

Input:  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_n\}$  = set of  $n$  disjoint line segments (sites)

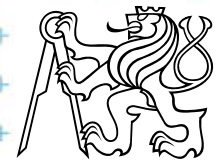
VD: – line segments  
– parabolic arcs



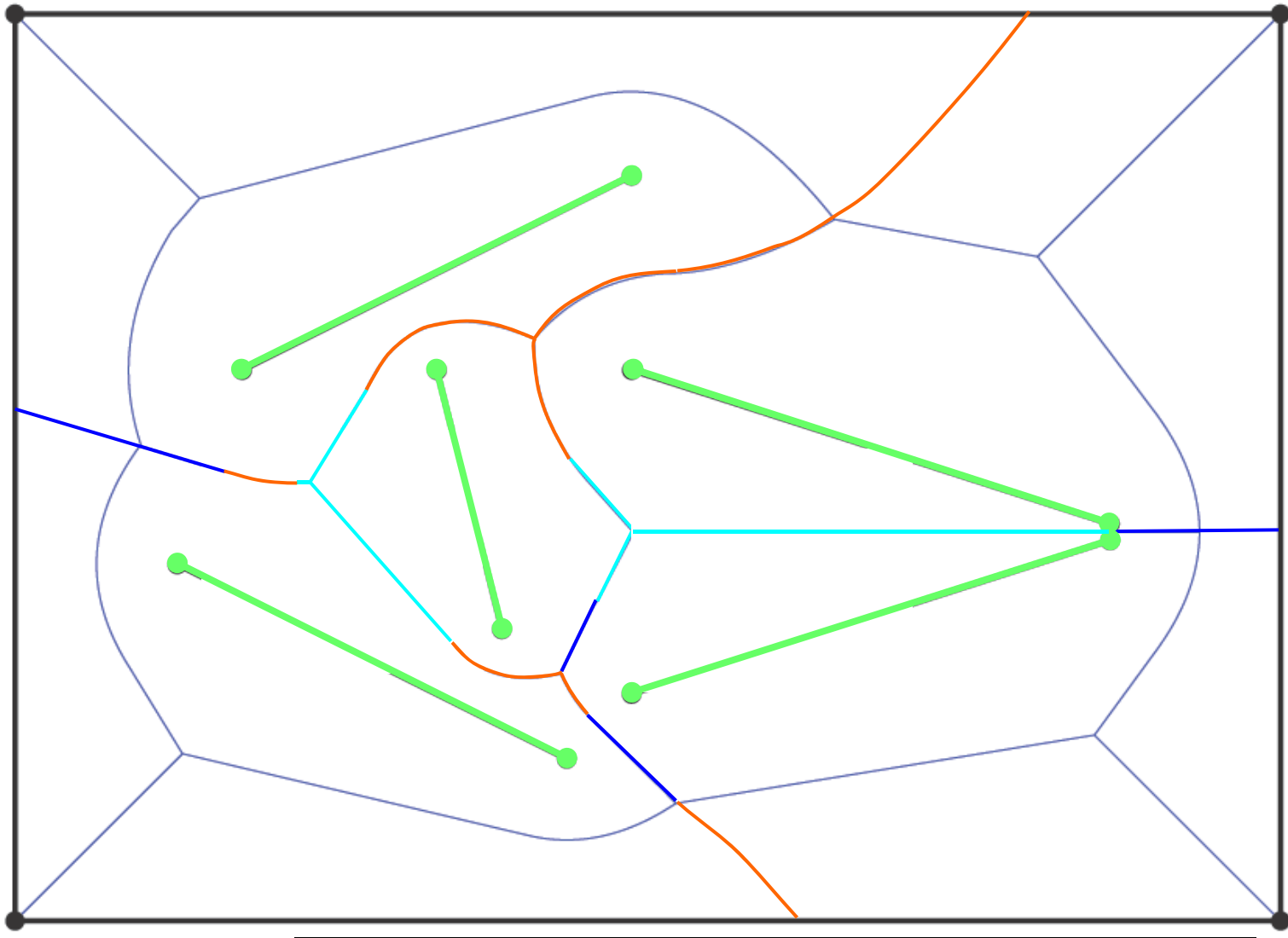
Distance measured  
perpendicularly to the object



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# VD of line segments with bounding box



BBOX  
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standard  
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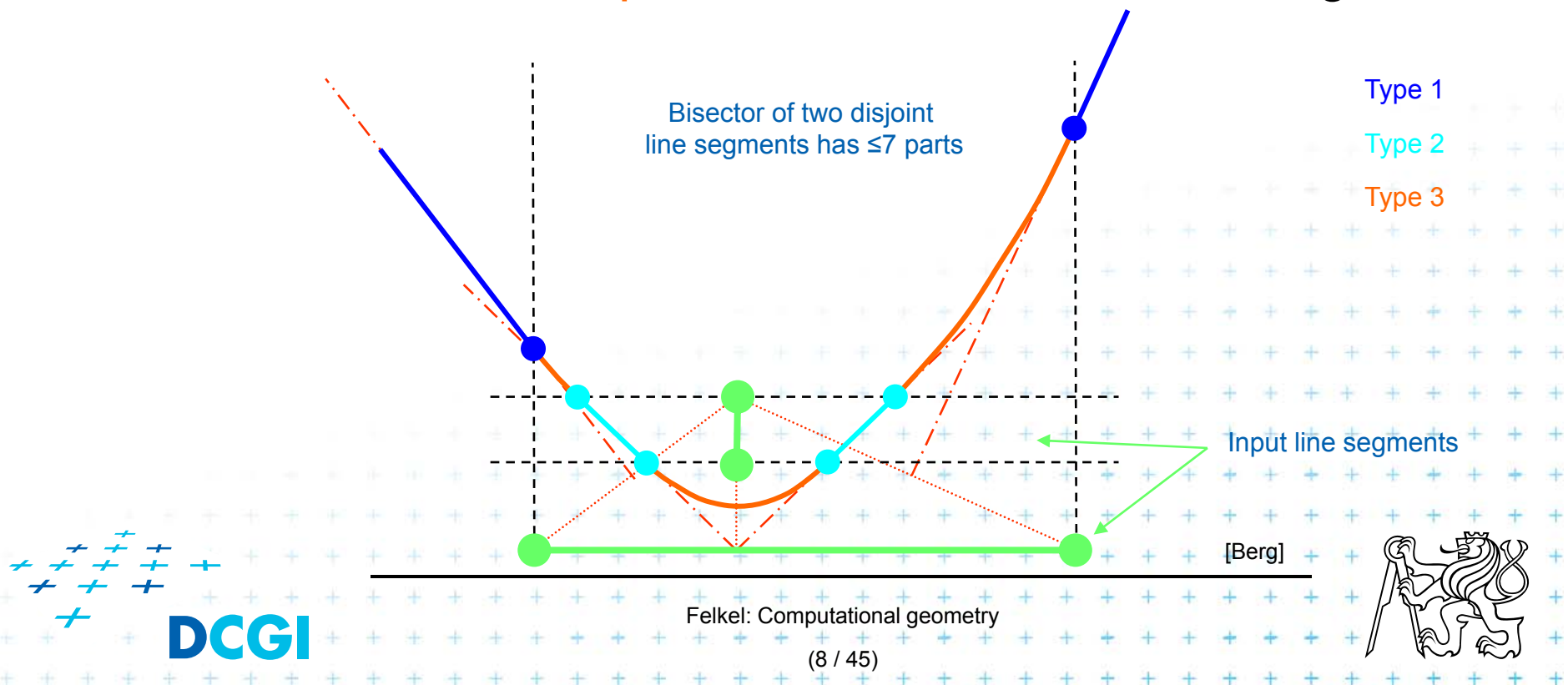


# Bisector of 2 line-segments in detail

- Consists of line segments and parabolic arcs

Distance from point-to-object is measured to the closest point on the object (perpendicularly to the object silhouette)

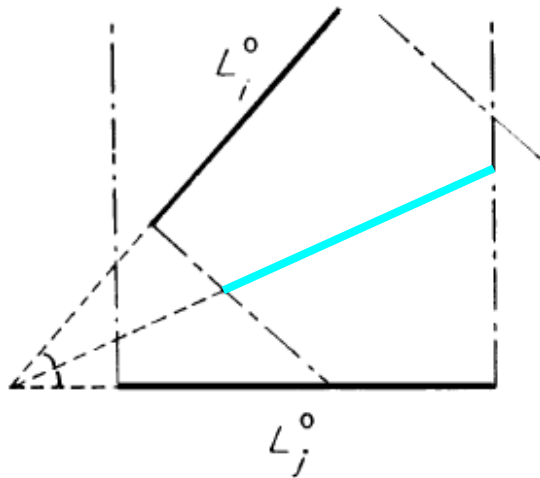
- **Line segment** – bisector of **end-points**<sub>(1)</sub> or of **interiors**<sub>(2)</sub>
- **Parabolic arc** – of **point and interior**<sub>(3)</sub> of a line segment





# Bisector in greater details

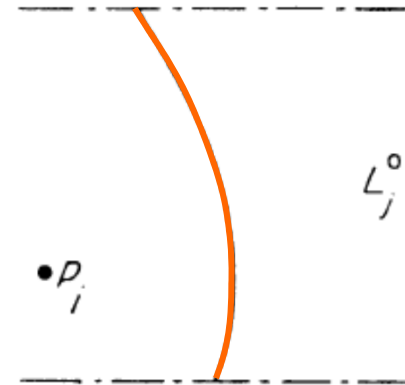
Type 2



Bisector of two  
line segment interiors

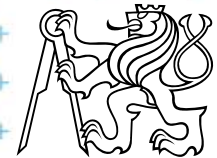
(in intersection of perpendicular slabs only)

Type 3



[Reiberg]

Bisector of (end-)point and  
line segment interior

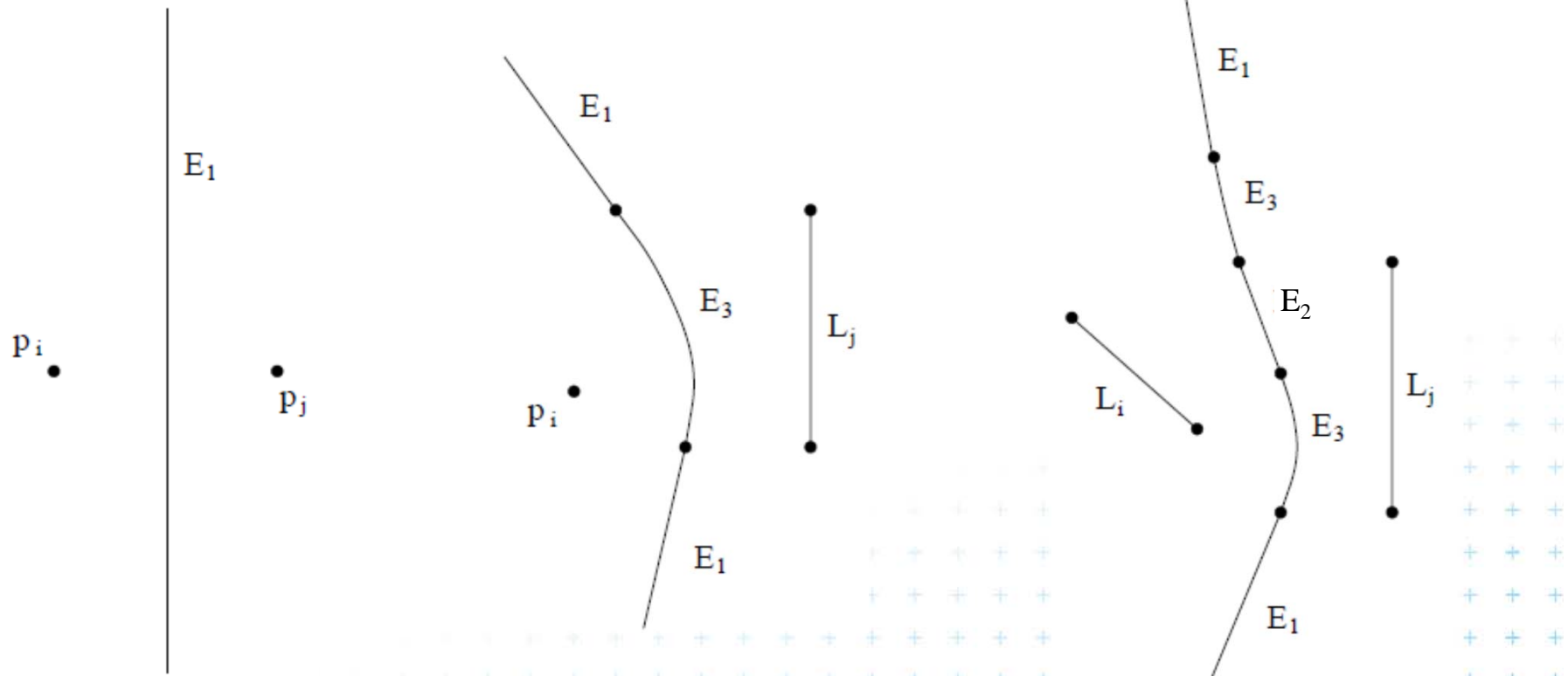


# VD of points and line segments examples

2 points

Point & segment

2 line segments



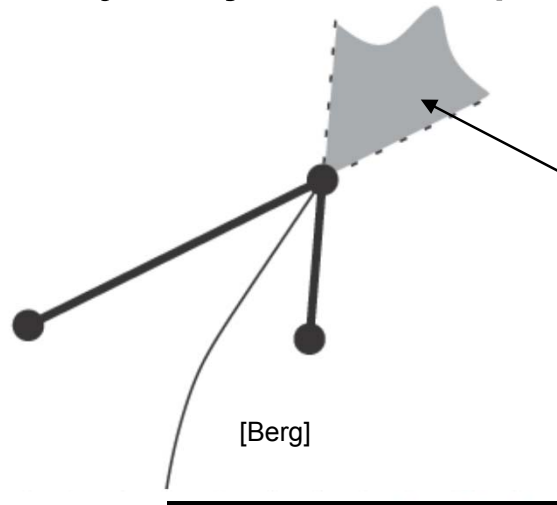
[Reiberg]



# Voronoi diagram of line segments

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- More complex bisectors of line segments
  - line segments and parabolic arcs
- Still combinatorial complexity of  $O(n)$
- Assumptions on the input line segments:
  - non-crossing
  - strictly disjoint end-points (slightly shorten the segm.)



if (we allow touching segments)

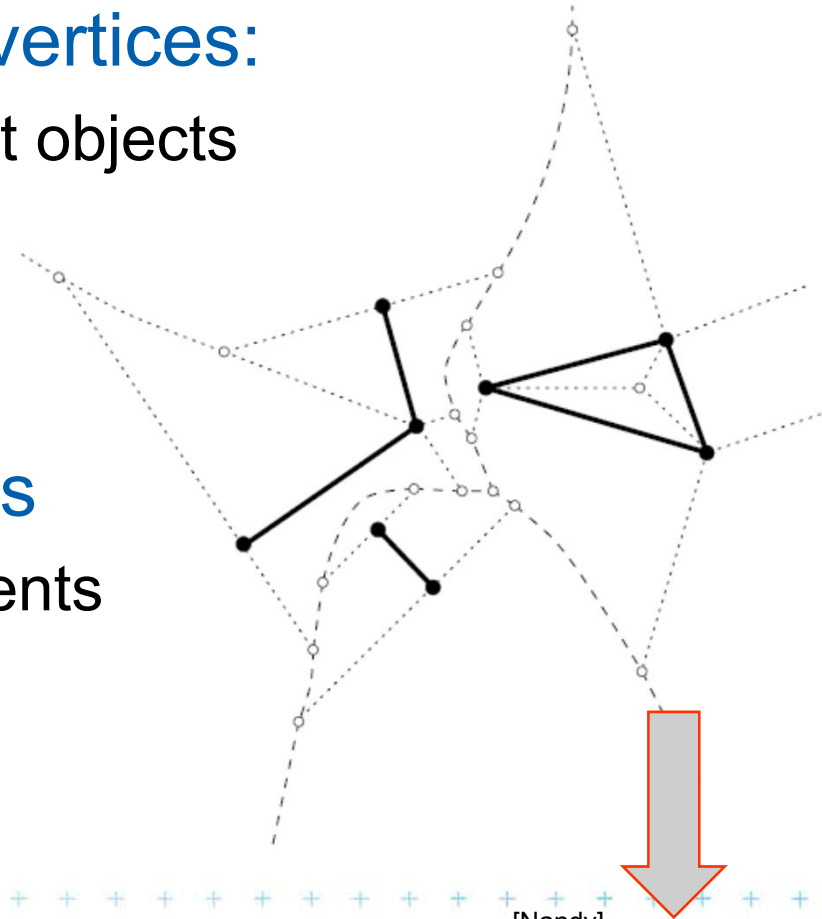
Shared endpoints cause complication:

The whole region is equally close to two line segments



# VD of line segments - touching segments

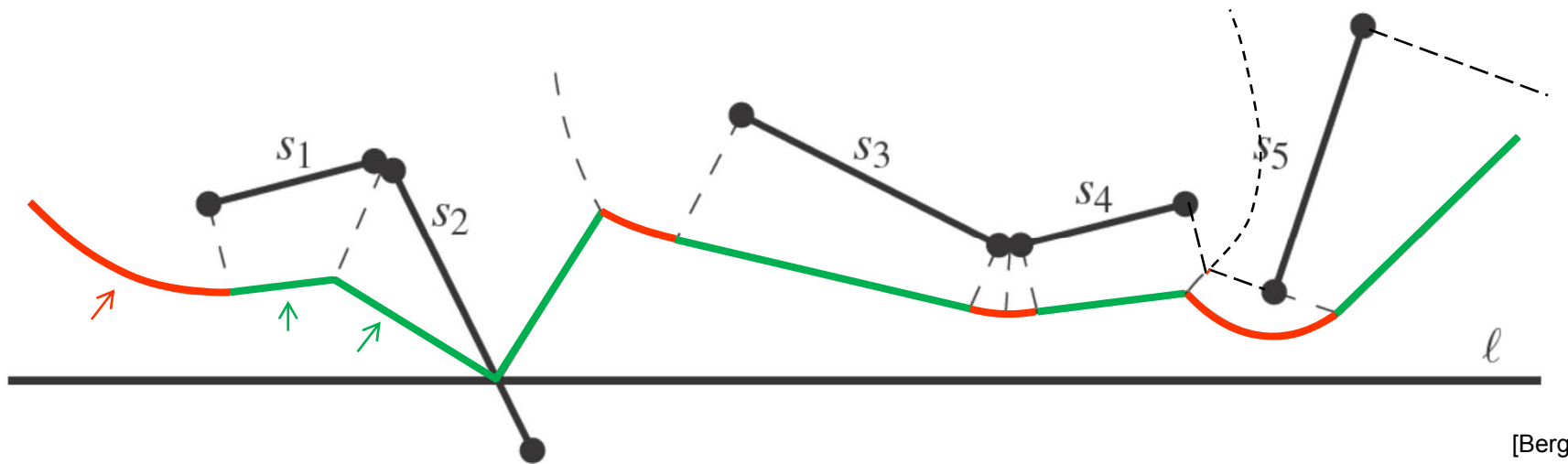
- Variant with touching segments in their end-points
- Two types of Voronoi vertices:
  - Type 3 – three different objects
  - Type 2 – two objects (segment and one of its end-points)
- Contains also 2D areas
  - Not only 1D line segments and parabolic arcs



[Nandy]



# Shape of Beach line for line segments



= Points with **distance** to the closest site above sweep line  $l$  equal to the distance to  $l$

## ■ Beach line contains

- **parabolic arcs** when closest to a site end-point
- **straight line segments** when closest to a site interior (or just the part of the site interior above  $l$  if the site  $s$  intersects  $l$ )

(This is the shape of the beach line)



# Beach line breakpoints types

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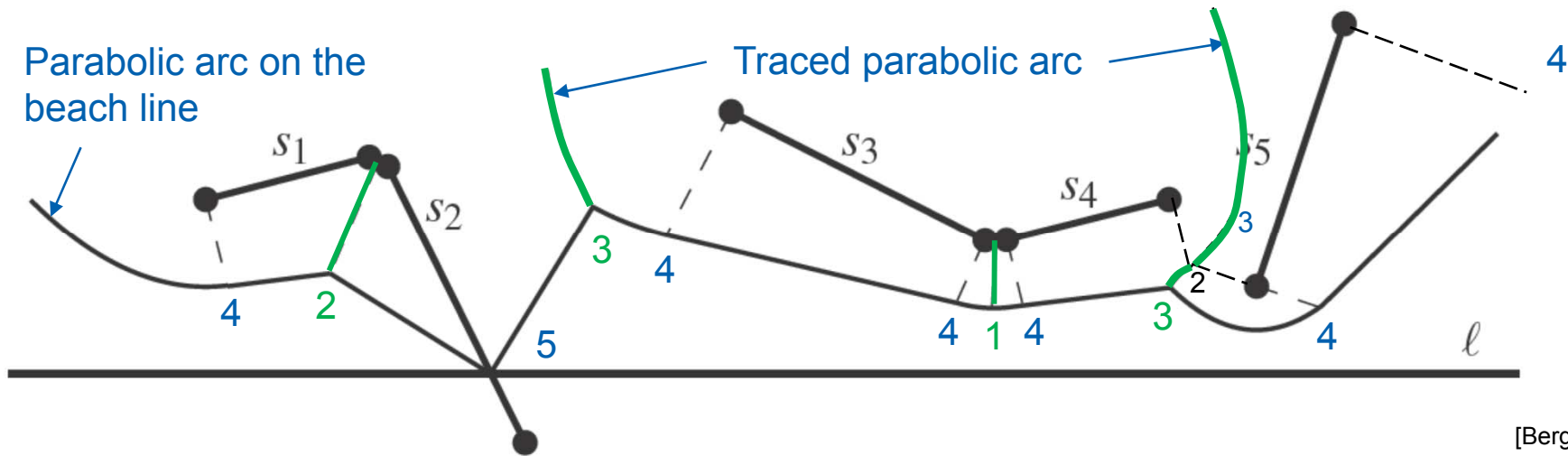
Breakpoint  $p$  is equidistant from  $l$  and equidistant and closest to:

1. two site end-points  $\Rightarrow p$  traces a **VD line segment**
2. two site interiors  $\Rightarrow p$  traces a **VD line segment**
3. end-point and interior  $\Rightarrow p$  traces a **VD parabolic arc**
4. one site end-point  $\Rightarrow p$  traces a line segment  
(**border of the slab**  
perpendicular to the site)
5. site interior intersects the scan line  $l$   $\Rightarrow p =$  intersection, traces the **input line segment**

Cases 4 and 5 involve only one site and therefore do not form a Voronoi diagram edge (are used by alg. only)

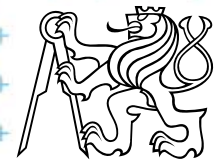


# Breakpoints types and what they trace



- 1,2 trace a Voronoi line segment (part of VD edge) DRAW
- 3 traces a Voronoi parabolic arc (part of VD edge) DRAW
- 4,5 trace a line segment (used only by the algorithm) MOVE
  - 4 limits the slab perpendicular to the line segment
  - 5 traces the intersection of input segment with a sweep line

(This is the shape of the traced VD arcs)

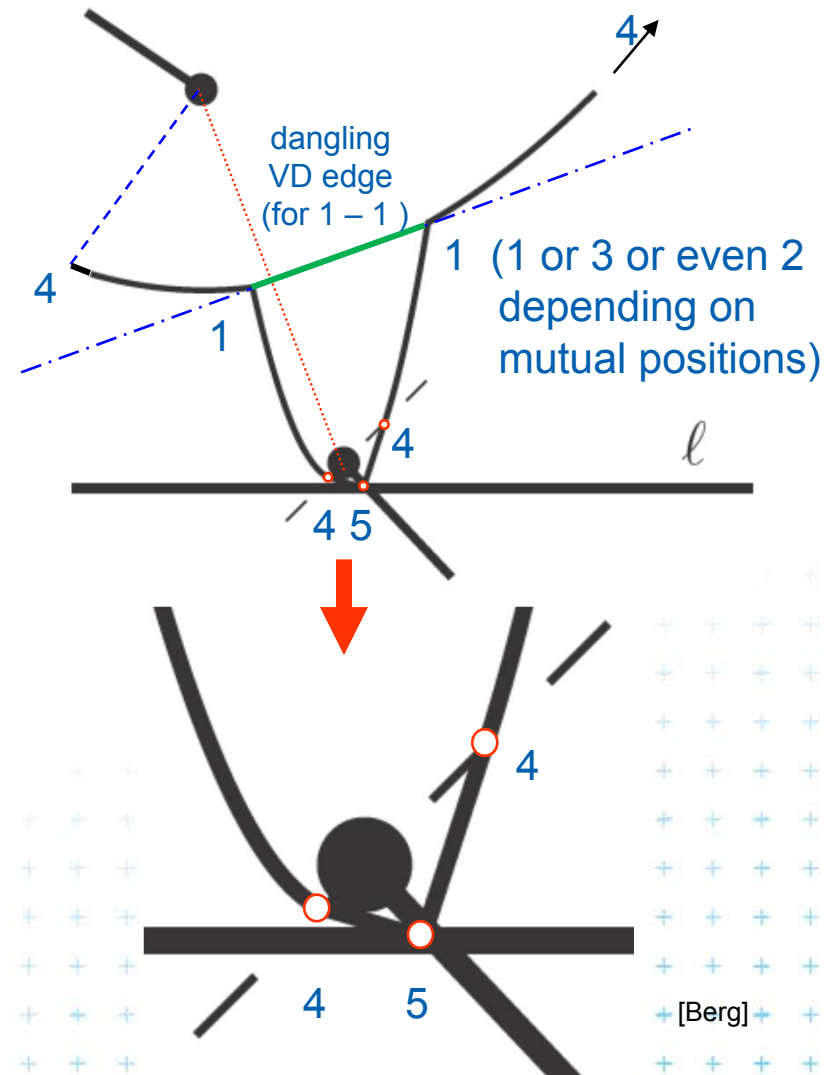




# Site event – sweep line reaches an endpoint

I. At **upper endpoint** of 

- Arc above is split into two
- 4 new arcs are created (2 segments + 2 parabolas)
- Breakpoints for 2 **segments** are of type 4-5-4
- Breakpoints for **parabolas** depend on the surrounding sites
  - Type 1 for two end-points
  - Type 3 for endpoint and interior
  - etc...

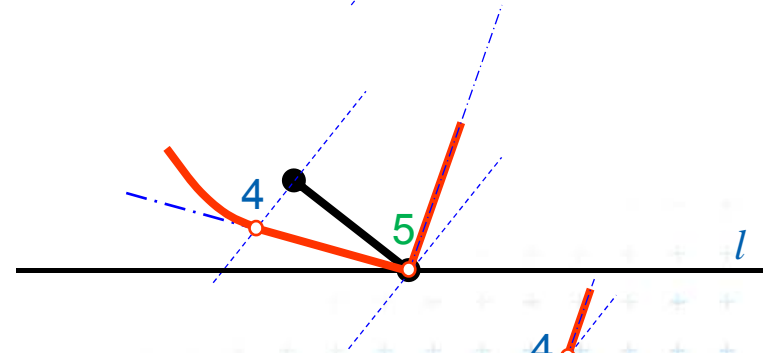
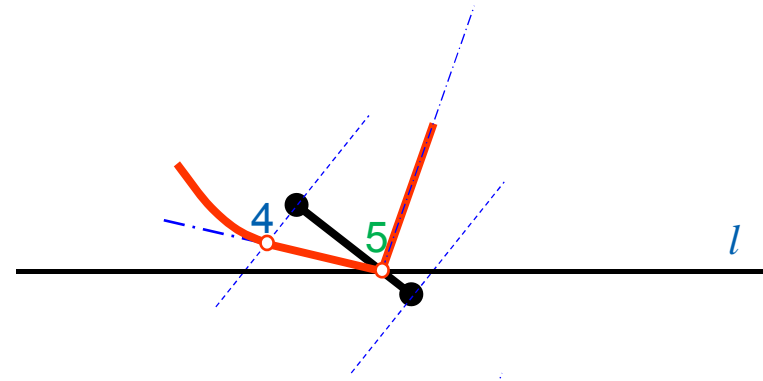




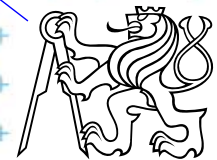
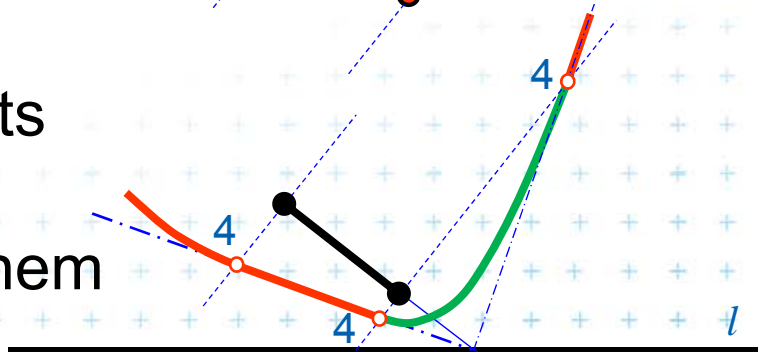
# Site event – sweep line reaches an endpoint

II. At **lower endpoint** of 

- Intersection with interior  
(**breakpoint of type 5**)



- is replaced by two breakpoints  
(of type 4)  
with **parabolic arc** between them



# Circle event – lower point of circle of 3 sites

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- Two breakpoints meet (on the beach-line)
- Solution depends on their type
  - Any of first three types meet
    - 3 sites involved – Voronoi vertex created
  - Type 4 with something else
    - two sites involved – breakpoint changes its type
    - Voronoi vertex not created  
(Voronoi edge may change its shape)
  - Type 5 with something else
    - never happens for disjoint segments  
(meet with type 4 happens before)



# Summary of the VD terms

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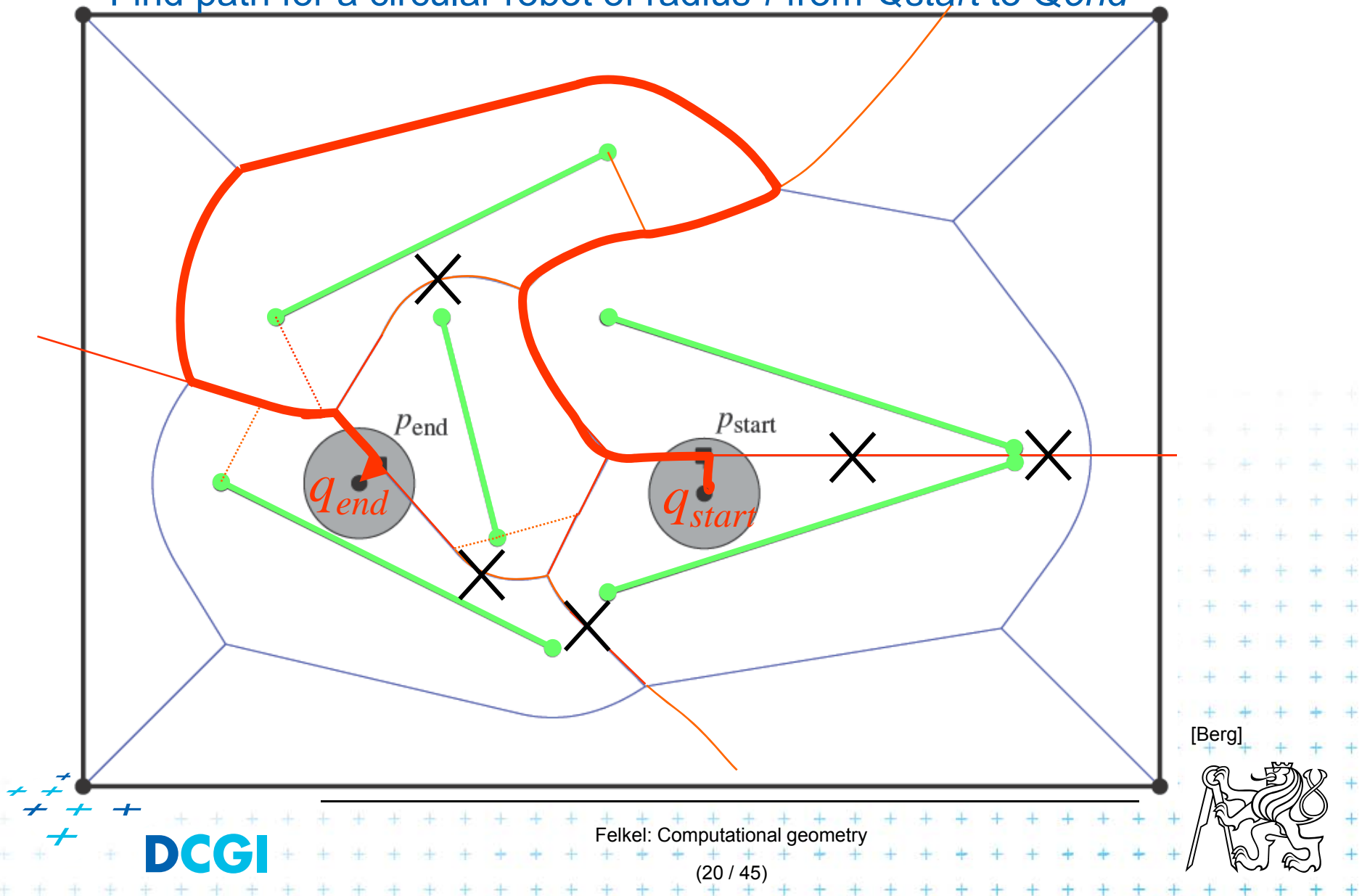
- Site = input point, line segment, ...
- Cell = area around the site, in  $VD_1$  the nearest to site
- Edge, arc = part of Voronoi diagram (border between cells)
- Vertex = intersection of VD edges



# Motion planning example - retraction

Rušení hran

Find path for a circular robot of radius  $r$  from  $Q_{start}$  to  $Q_{end}$



# Motion planning example - retraction Rušení hran

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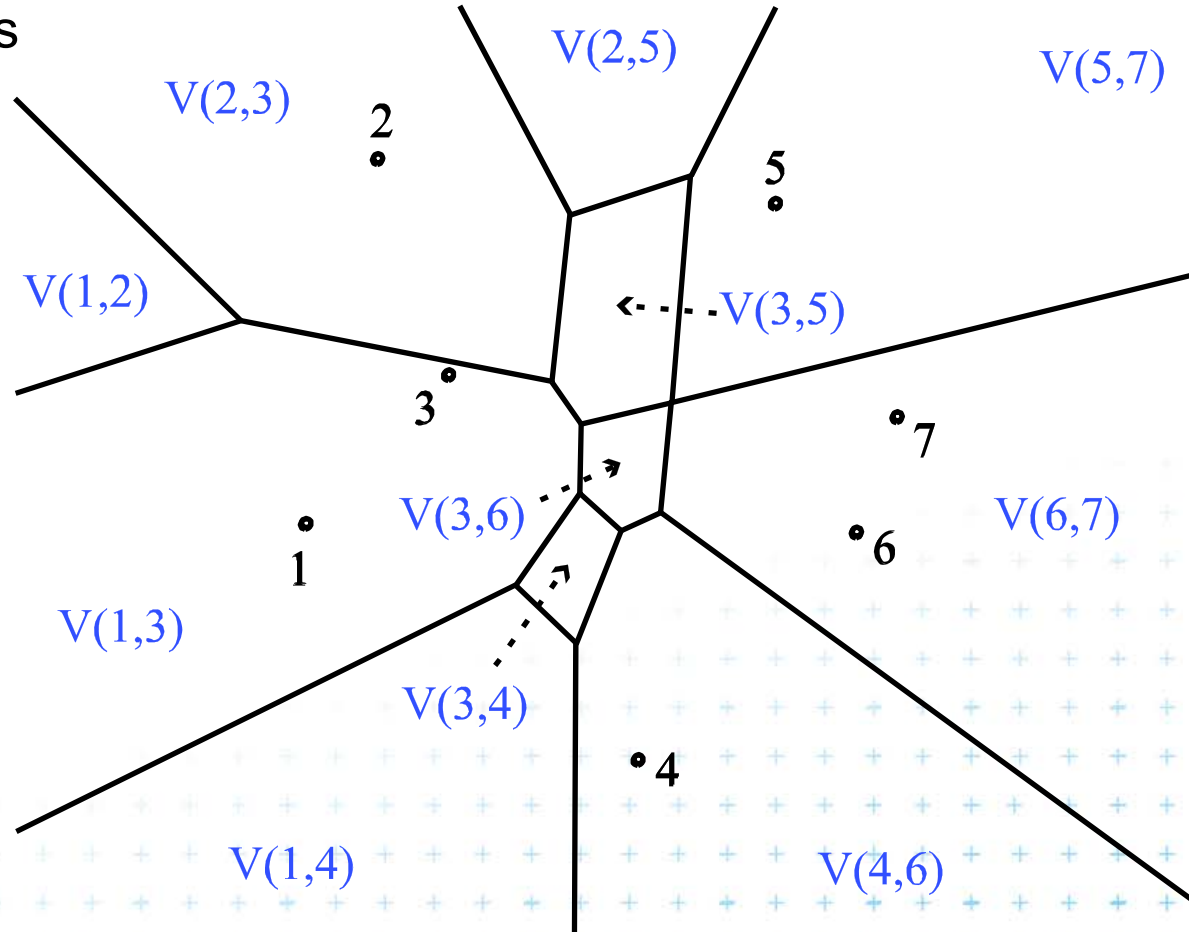
- Create Voronoi diagram of line segments, take it as a graph
- Project  $Q_{start}$  to  $P_{start}$  on VD and  $Q_{end}$  to  $P_{end}$
- Remove segments with distance to sites smaller than radius  $r$  of a robot
- Depth first search if path from  $P_{start}$  to  $P_{end}$  exists
- Report path  $Q_{start} P_{start} \dots path \dots P_{end} Q_{end}$
- $O(n \log n)$  time using  $O(n)$  storage



# Order-2 Voronoi diagram

$V(p_i, p_j)$  : the set of points of the plane closer to each of  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  than to any other site

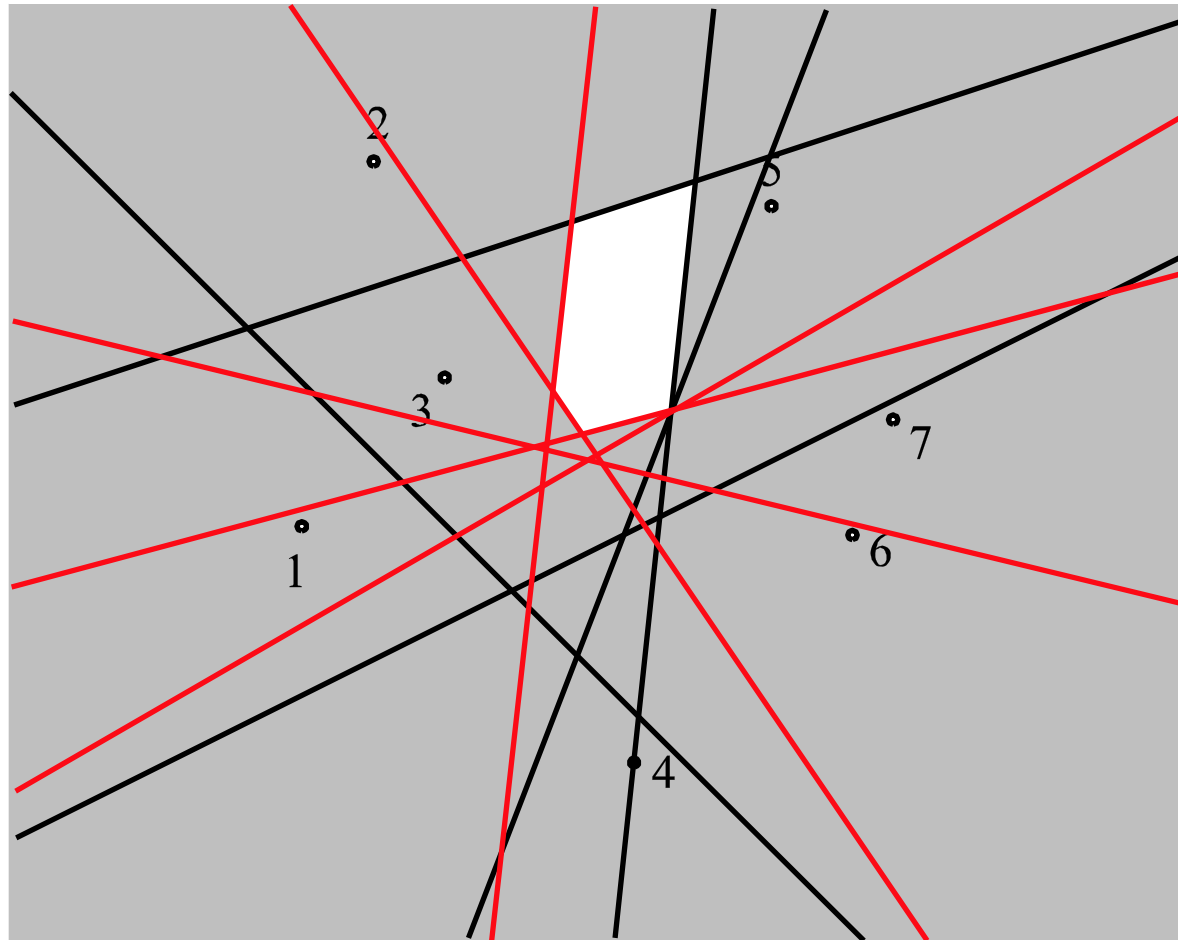
Property  
The order-2 Voronoi regions are convex



[Nandy]



# Construction of $V(3,5) = V(5,3)$



[Nandy]

Intersection of all halfplanes  
except  $H(3,5)$  and  $H(5,3)$

$$\bigcap_{x \neq 5} h(3, x) \cap \bigcap_{x \neq 3} h(5, x)$$

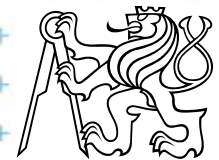
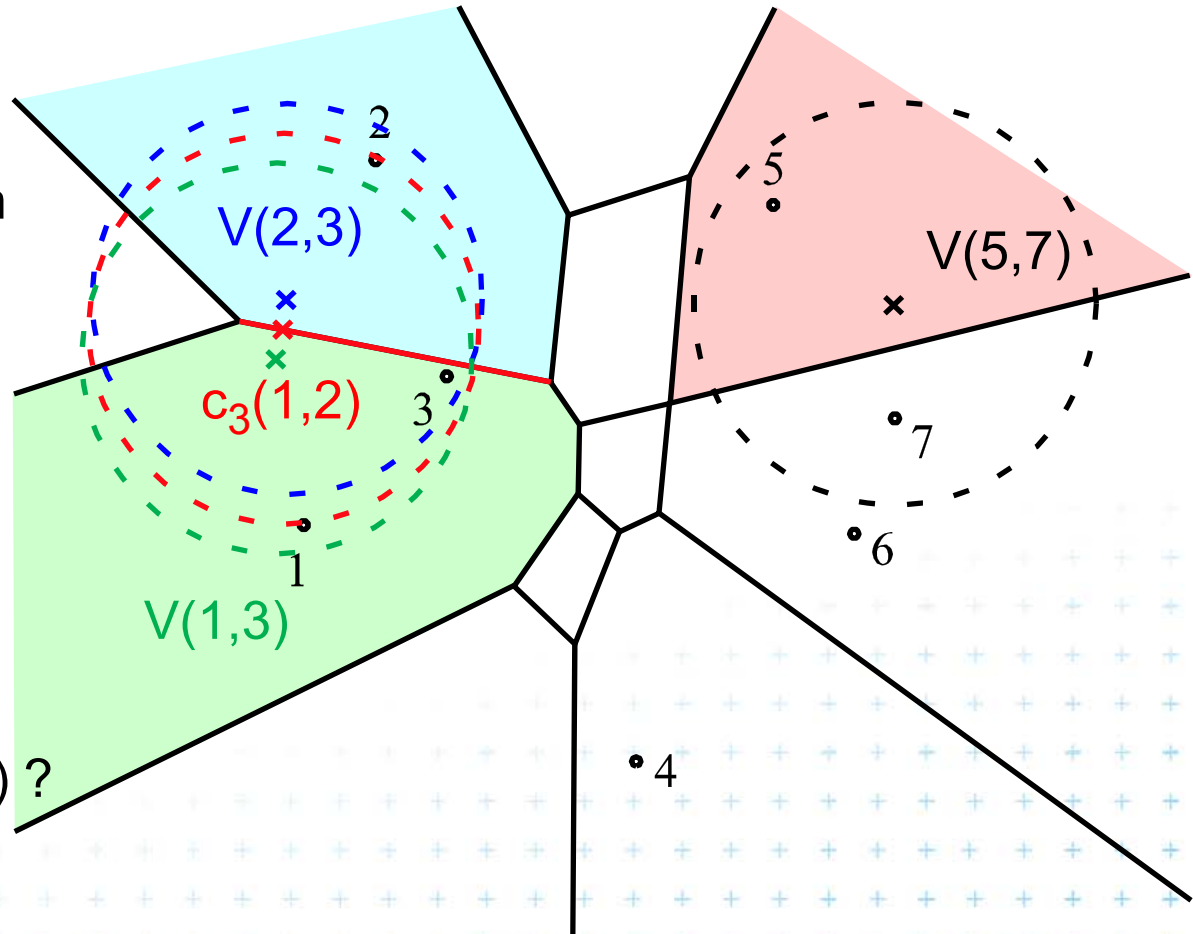




# Order-2 Voronoi edges

edge : set of centers of circles passing through 2 sites  $s$  and  $t$  and containing one site  $p$   
 $\Rightarrow c_p(s,t)$

Question  
Which are the regions on both sides of  $c_p(s,t)$  ?  
 $\Rightarrow V(p,s)$  and  $V(p,t)$

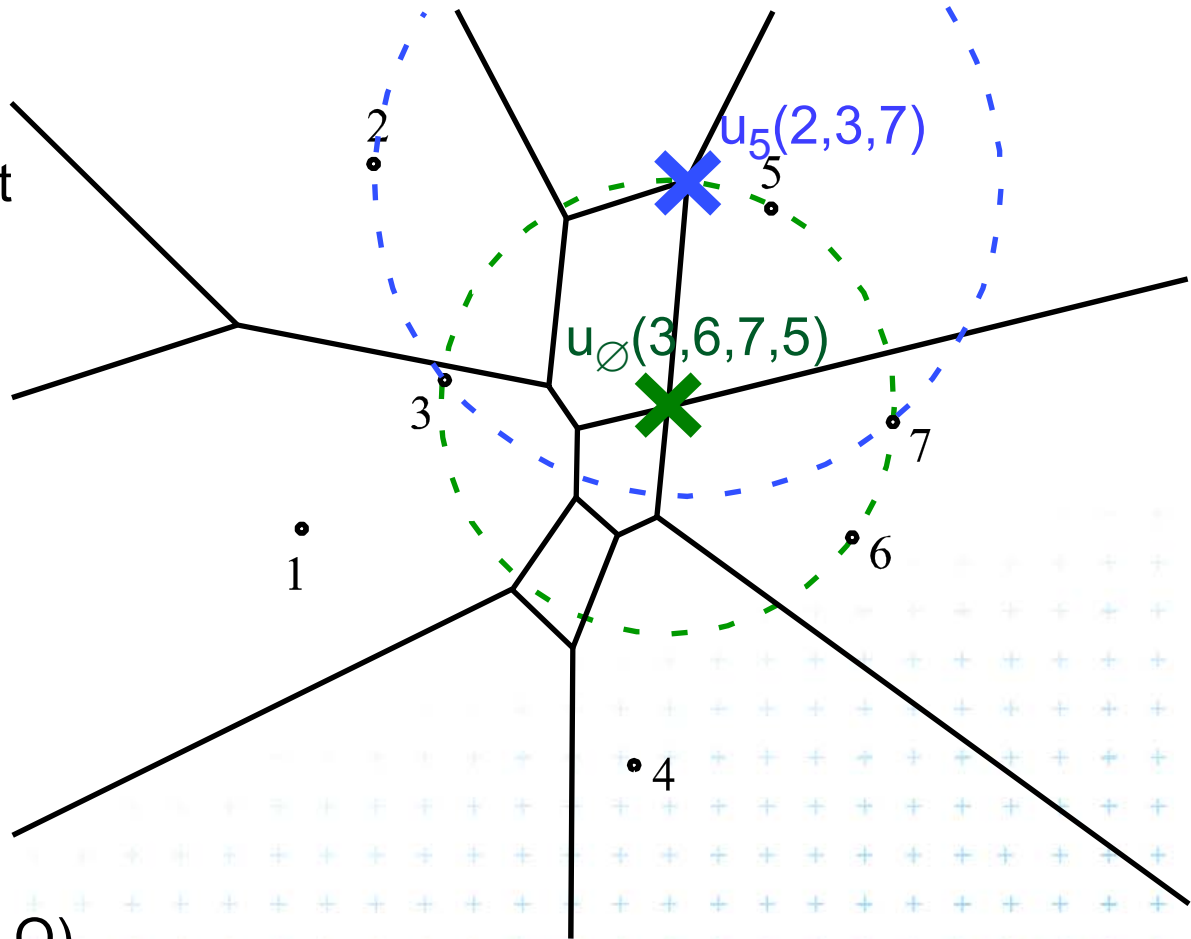




# Order-2 Voronoi vertices

vertex : center of a circle passing through at least 3 sites and containing either site  $p$  or nothing

$\Rightarrow u_p(Q)$  or  $u_\emptyset(Q + p)$   
 $u_5(2,3,7), u_\emptyset(3,6,7)$



(circle circumscribed to  $Q$ )



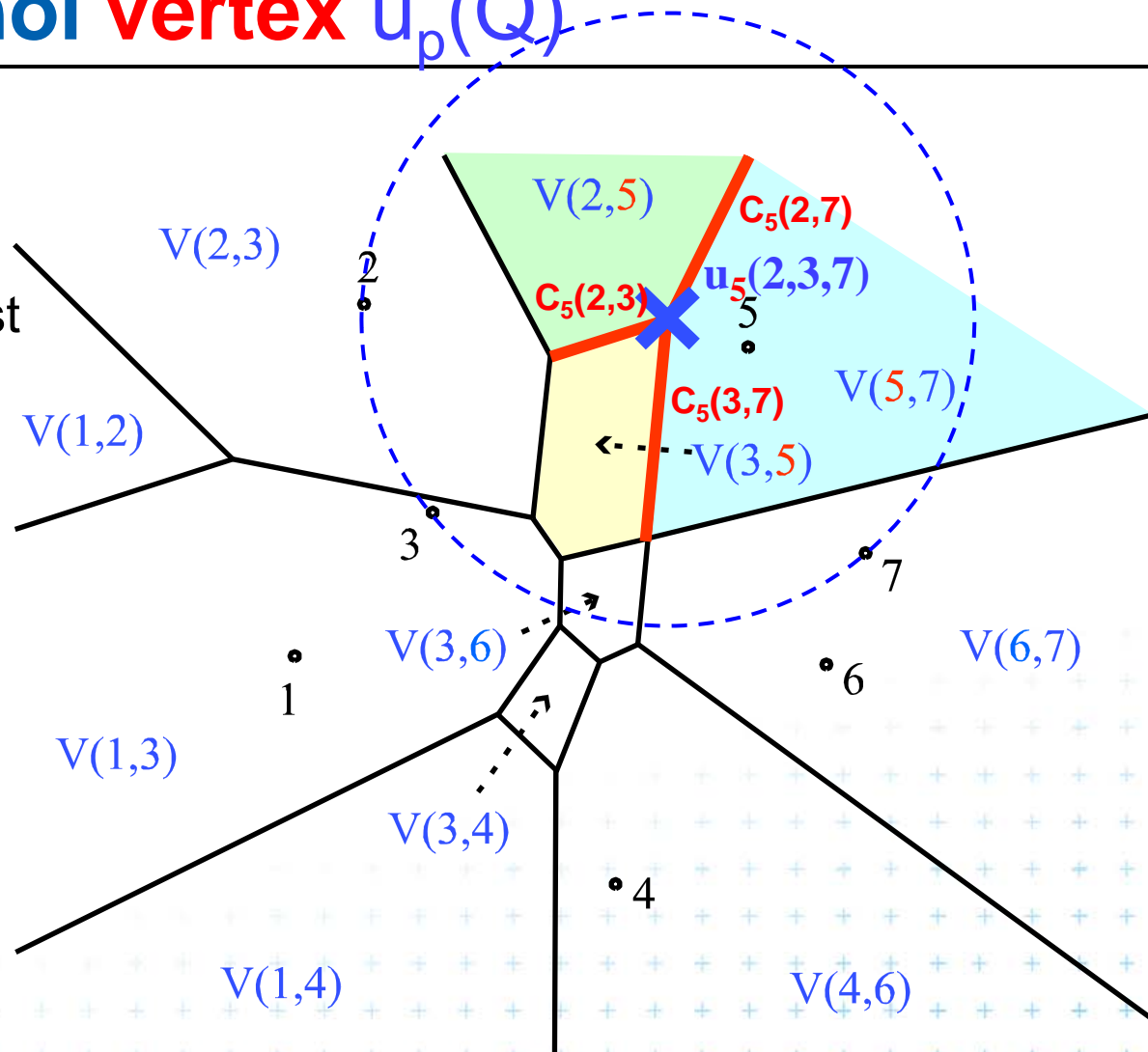
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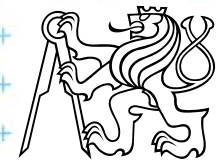
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Case  $u_p(Q)$   
 $u_5(2,3,7)$



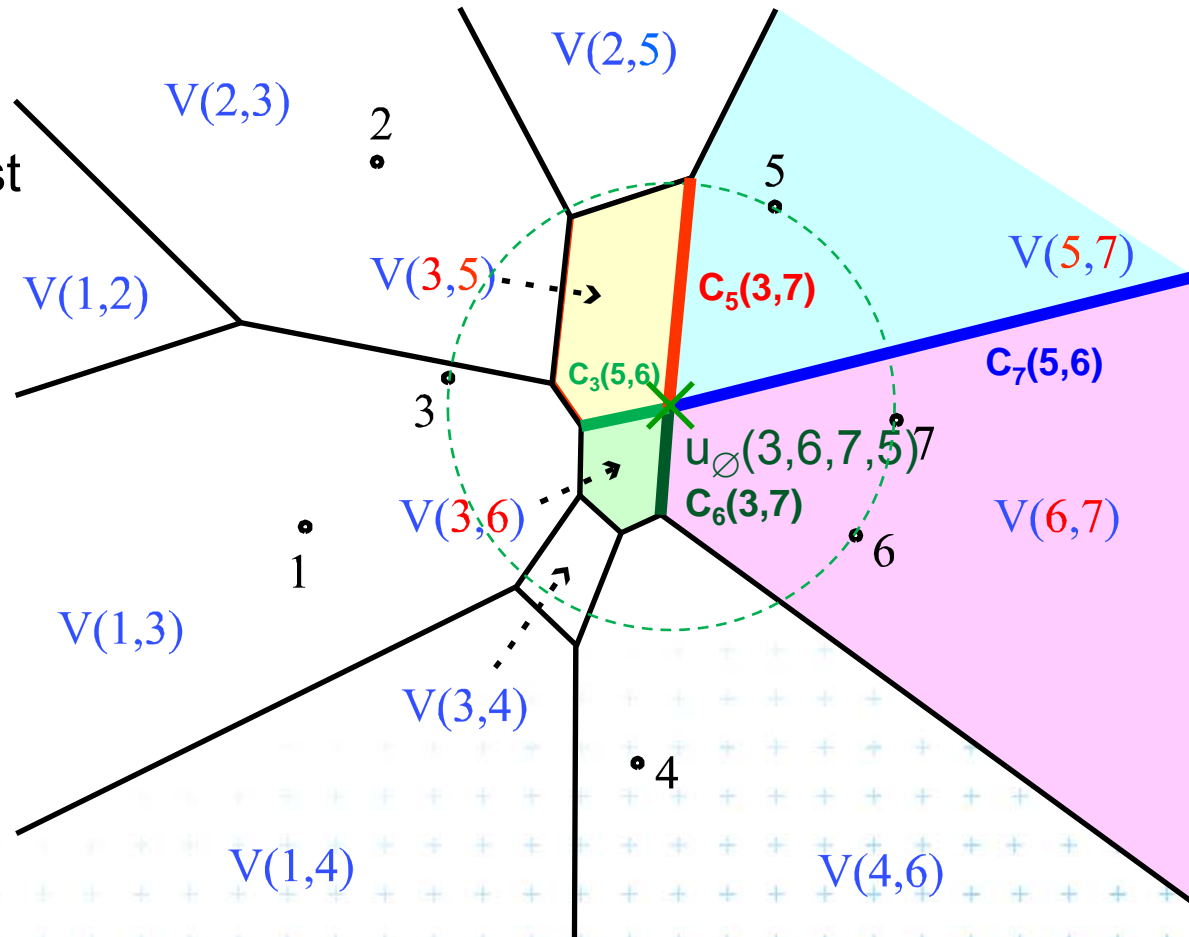
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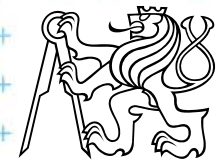
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 $u_{\emptyset}(3,6,7,5)$



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# Order-k Voronoi Diagram

Theorem věta

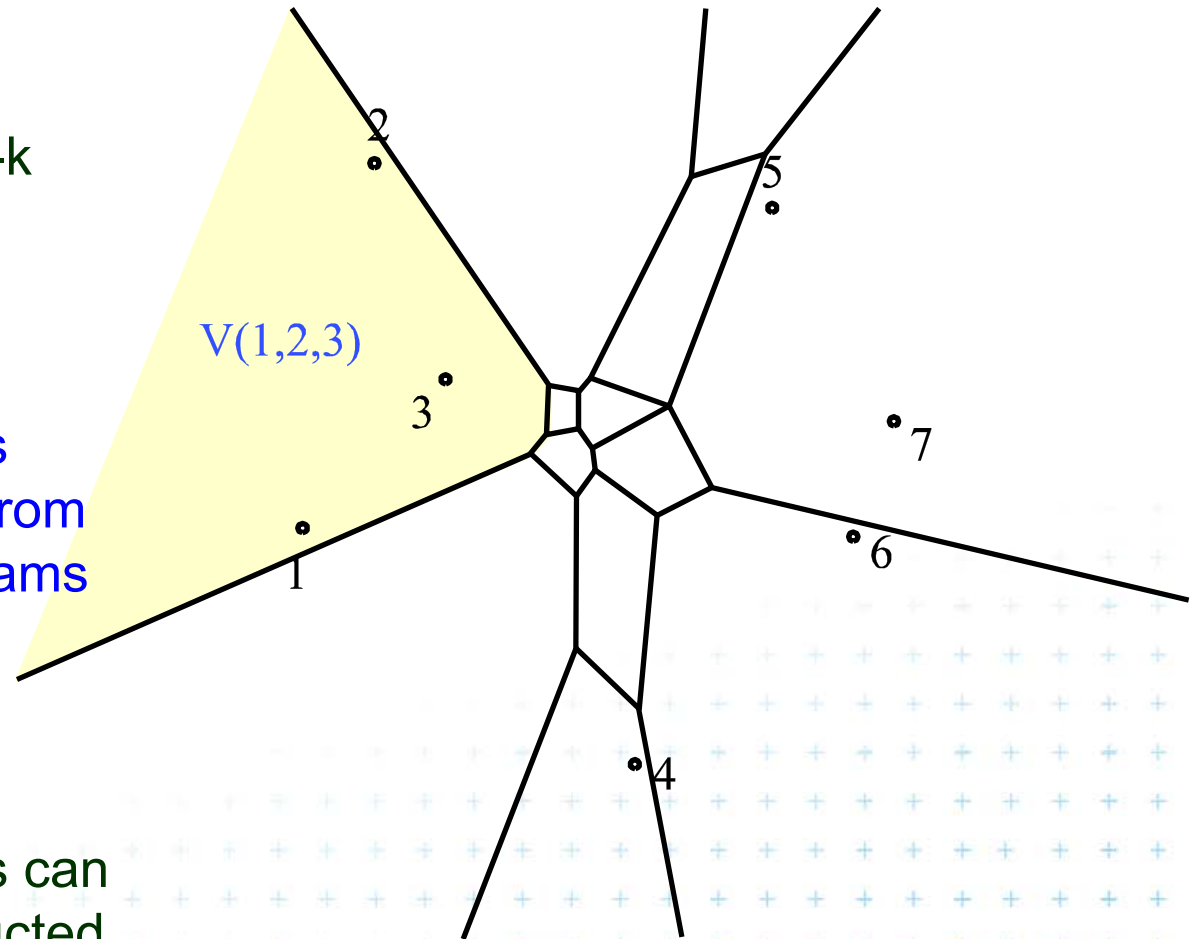
The size of the order-k diagrams is  $O(k(n-k))$

Theorem věta

The order-k diagrams can be constructed from the order-(k-1) diagrams in  $O(k(n-k))$  time

Corollary důsledek

The order-k diagrams can be iteratively constructed in  $O(n \log n + k^2(n-k))$  time



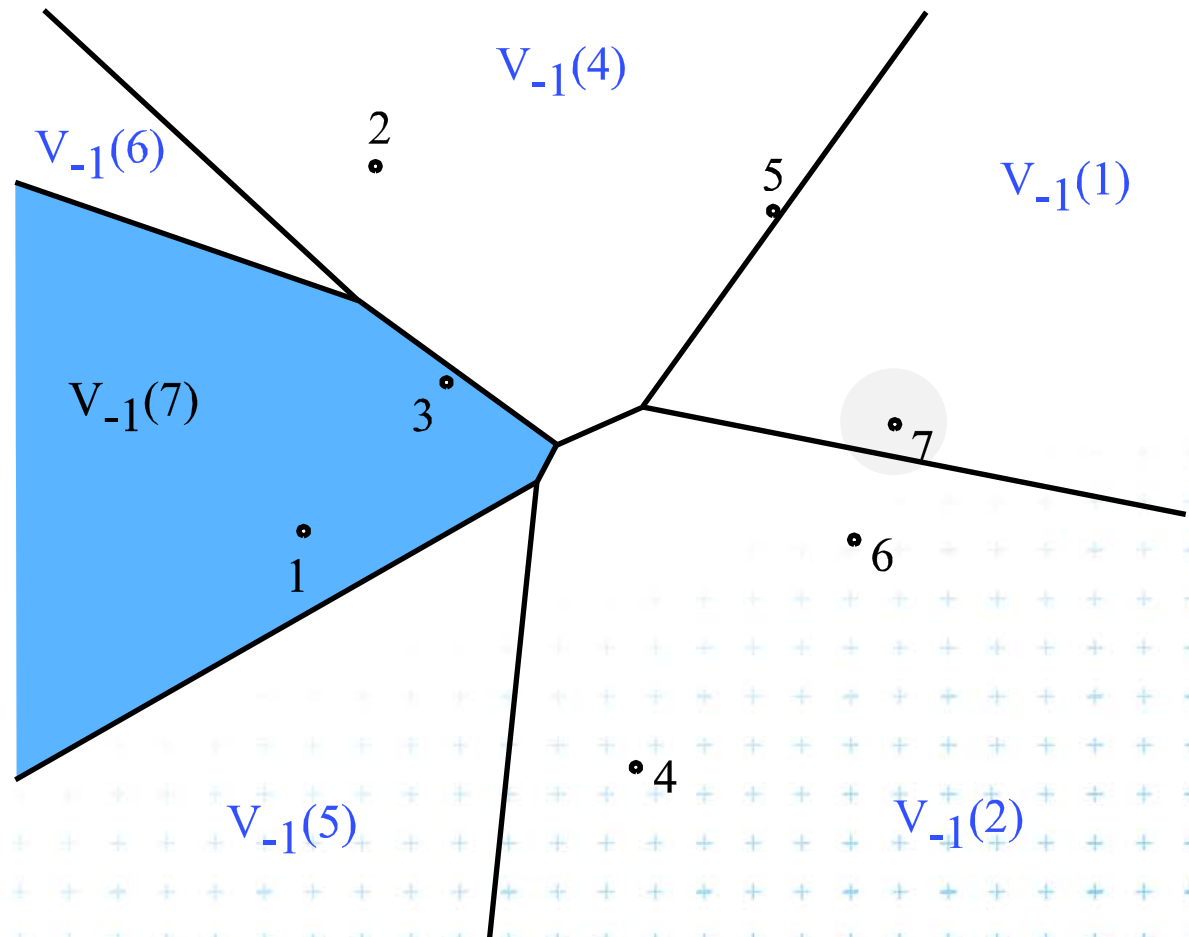
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# Order n-1 = Farthest-point Voronoi diagram

cell  $V_{-1}(7) = V_{n-1}(\{1,2,3,4,5,6\})$   
= set of points in the plane farther from  $p_i=7$  than from any other site

$\text{Vor}_{-1}(P) = \text{Vor}_{n-1}(P)$   
= partition of the plane formed by the farthest point Voronoi regions, their edges, and vertices

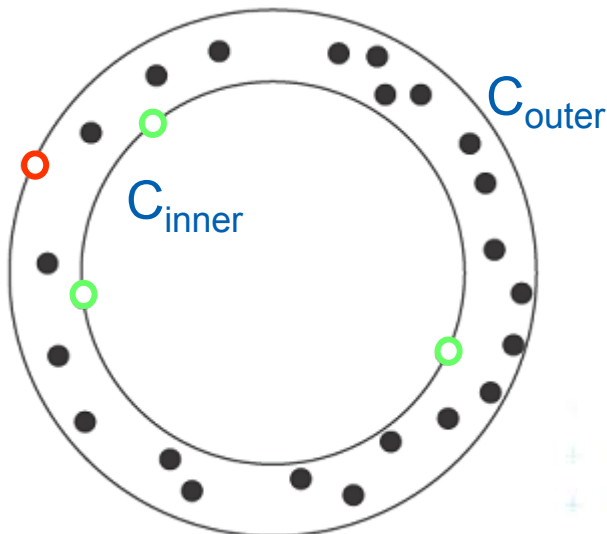


# Farthest-point Voronoi diagrams example

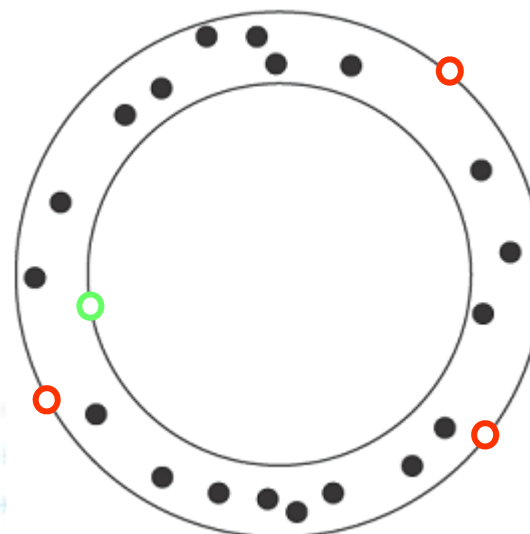
## Roundness of manufactured objects

- Input: set of measured points in 2D
- Output: width of the smallest-width annulus mezikruží s nejmenší šířkou (region between two concentric circles  $C_{inner}$  and  $C_{outer}$ )

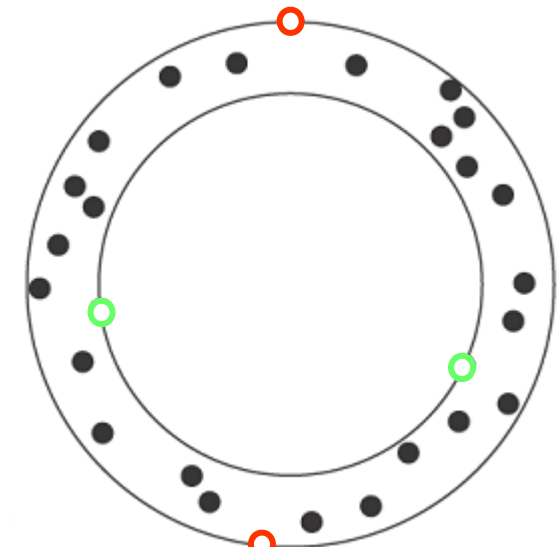
Three cases to test – one will win:



a) 3 in – 1 out



b) 1 point in – 3 out



c) 2 in – 2 out

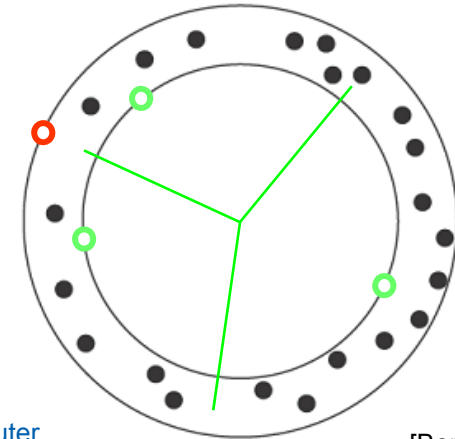




# Smallest width annulus – cases with 3 pts

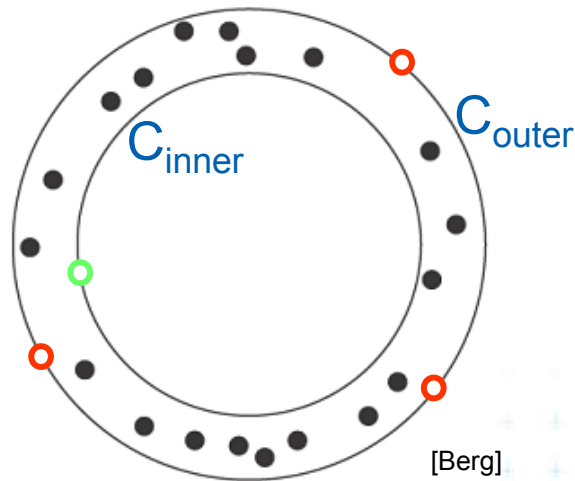
a)  $C_{inner}$  contains at least 3 points

- Center is the *vertex of normal Voronoi diagram (1<sup>st</sup> order VD)*
- The **remaining point** on  $C_{outer}$  in  $O(n)$  for each vertex
  - ⇒ not the largest (inscribed) empty circle - as discussed on seminar as we must test all VD vertices in combination with point on  $C_{outer}$
  - ⇒  $O(n^2)$



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3 in – 1 out



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1 point in – 3 out

b)  $C_{outer}$  contains at least 3 points

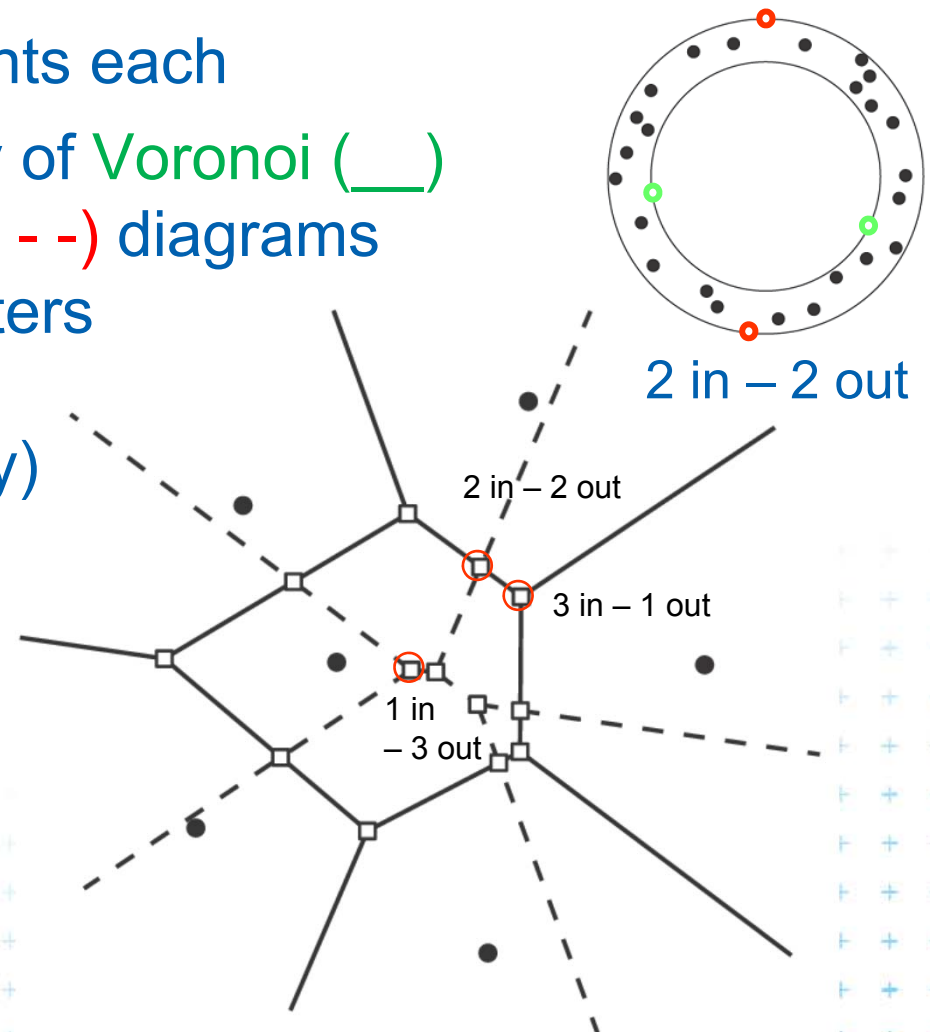
- Center is the *vertex of the farthest Voronoi diagram*
- The **remaining point** on  $C_{inner}$  in  $O(n)$ 
  - ⇒ not the smallest enclosing circle - as discussed on seminar as we must test all vertices **in combination** with point on  $C_{inner}$
  - ⇒  $O(n^2)$



# Smallest width annulus – case with 2+2 pts

c)  $C_{inner}$  and  $C_{outer}$  contain 2 points each

- Generate vertices of overlay of Voronoi (—) and farthest-point Voronoi (---) diagrams  
 $\Rightarrow O(n^2)$  candidates for centers  
 (we need only vertices, not the complete overlay)
- annulus computed in  $O(1)$  from center and 4 points (same for all 3 cases)
- $O(n^2)$



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# Smallest width annulus

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## Smallest-Width-Annulus

*Input:* Set  $P$  of  $n$  points in the plane

*Output:* Smallest width annulus center and radii  $r$  and  $R$  (roundness)

1. Compute Voronoi diagram  $Vor(P)$  and farthest-point Voronoi diagram  $Vor_{-1}(P)$  of  $P$
2. For each vertex of  $Vor(P)$  ( $r$ ) determine the farthest point ( $R$ ) from  $P$   
 $\Rightarrow O(n)$  sets of four points defining candidate annuli – case a)
3. For each vertex of  $Vor_{-1}(P)$  ( $R$ ) determine the closest point ( $r$ ) from  $P$   
 $\Rightarrow O(n)$  sets of four points defining candidate annuli – case b)
4. For every pair of edges  $Vor(P)$  and  $Vor_{-1}(P)$  test if they intersect  
 $\Rightarrow$  another set of four points defining candidate annulus – c)
5. For all candidates of all three types chose the smallest-width annulus

1.  $O(n \log n)$
2.  $O(n^2)$
3.  $O(n^2)$
4.  $O(n^2)$
5.  $O(n^2)$

$O(n^2)$  time using  $O(n)$  storage



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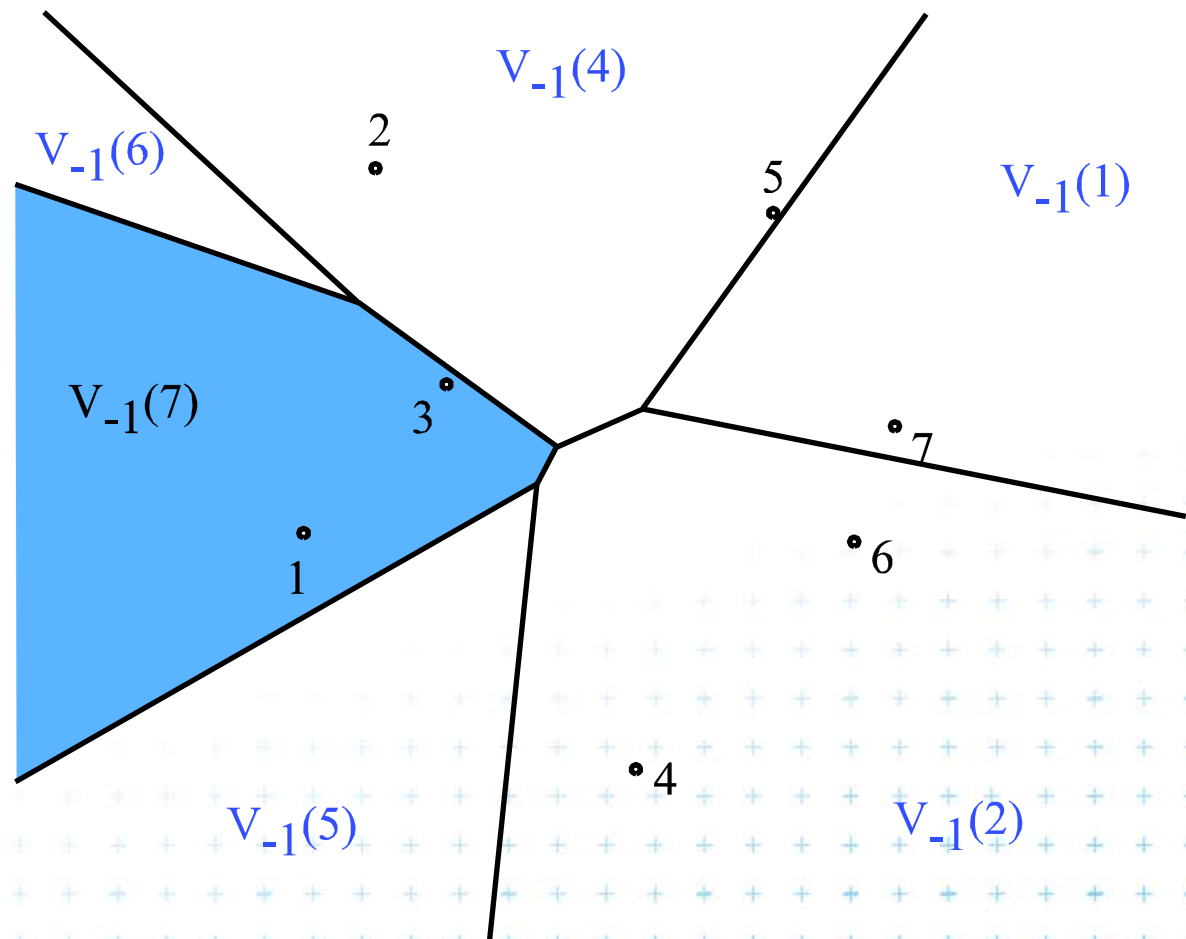
# Farthest-point Voronoi diagram

$V_{-1}(p_i)$  cell

= set of points in the plane farther from  $p_i$  than from any other site

$\text{Vor}_{-1}(P)$  diagram

= partition of the plane formed by the farthest point Voronoi regions, their edges, and vertices



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# Farthest-point Voronoi region (cell)

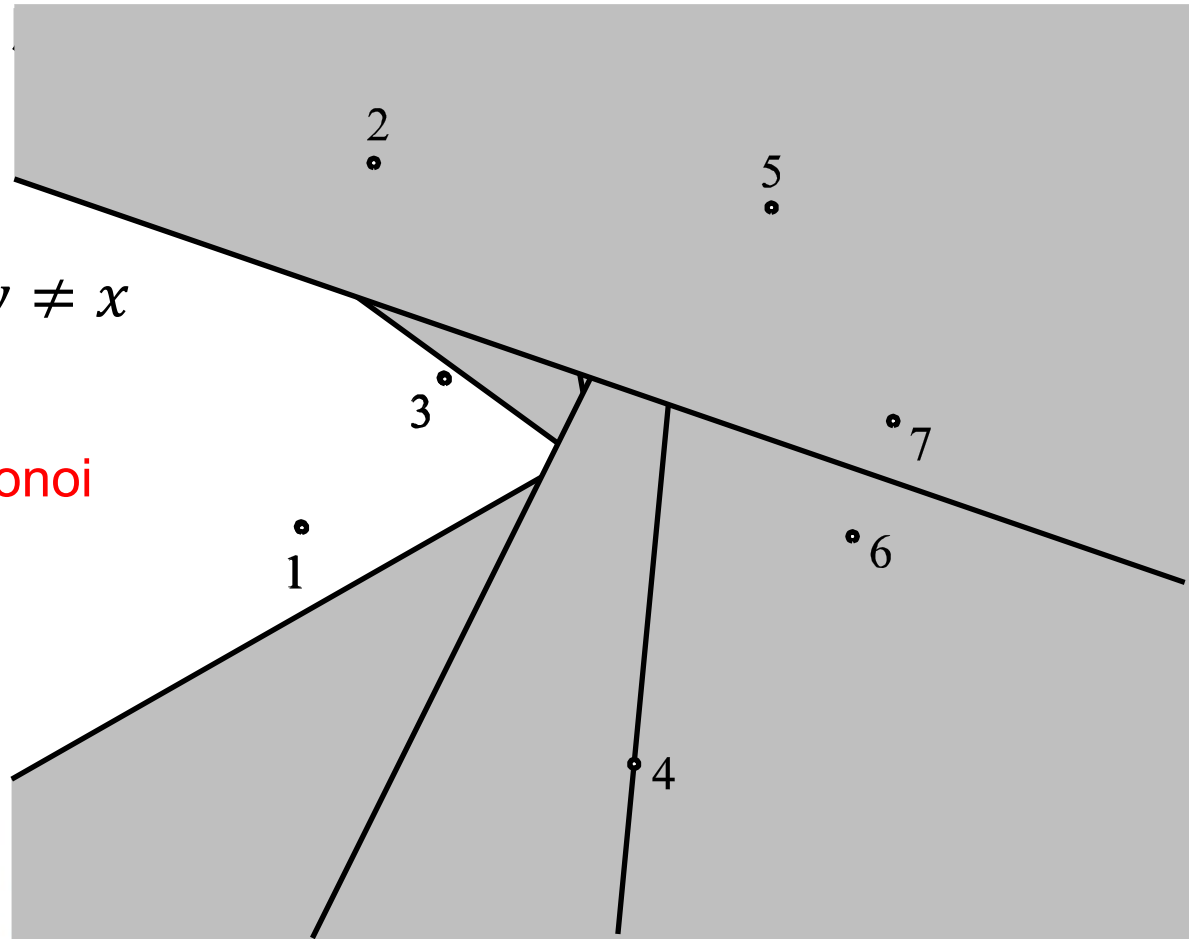
Computed as intersection of halfplanes, but we take “other sides” of bisectors

Construction of  $V_{-1}(7)$

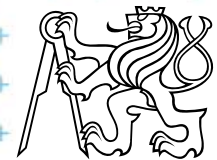
$$V_{-1} = \bigcap_{x=1}^n h(y, x), y \neq x$$

Property

The farthest point Voronoi regions are convex and unbounded



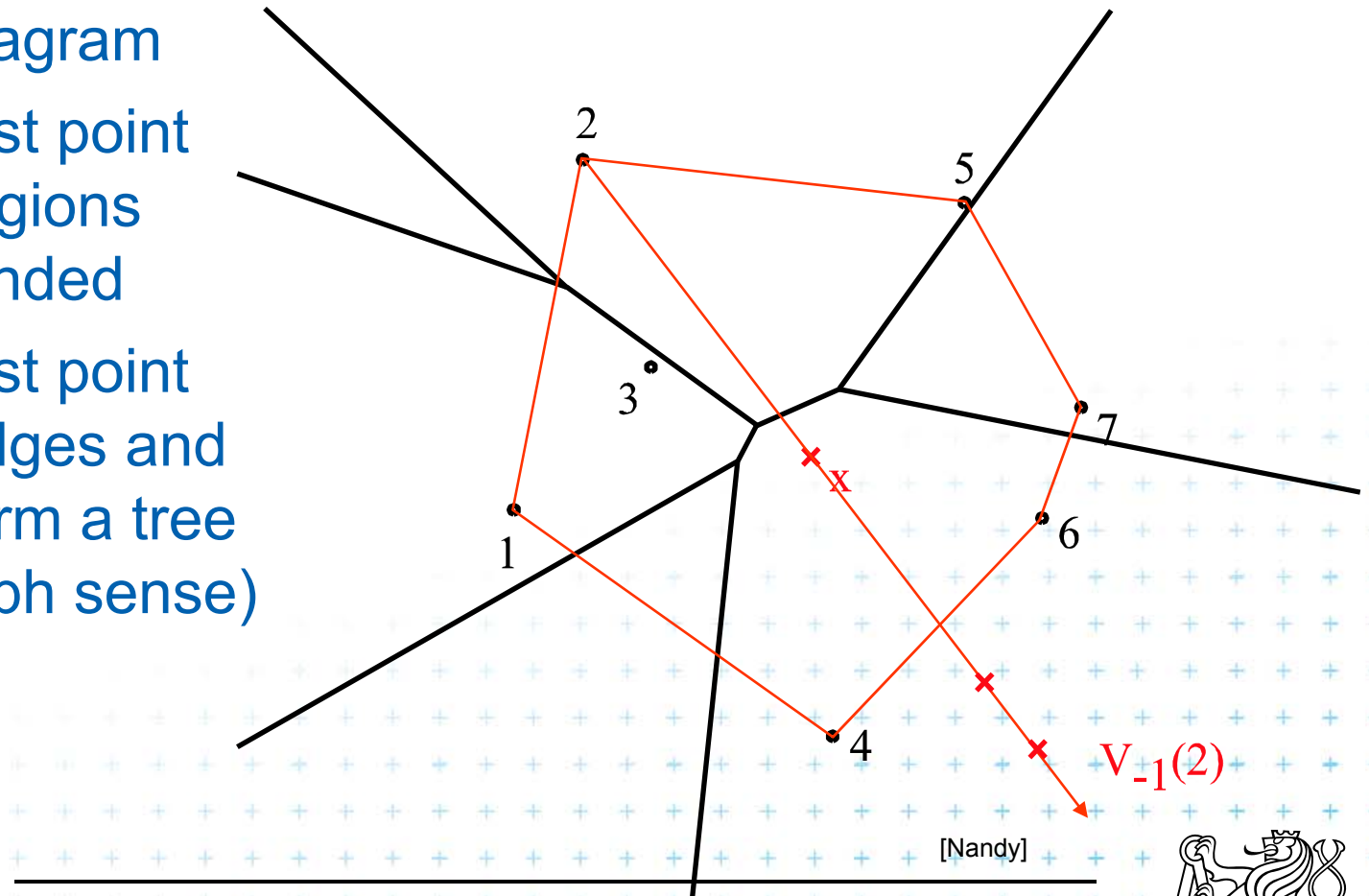
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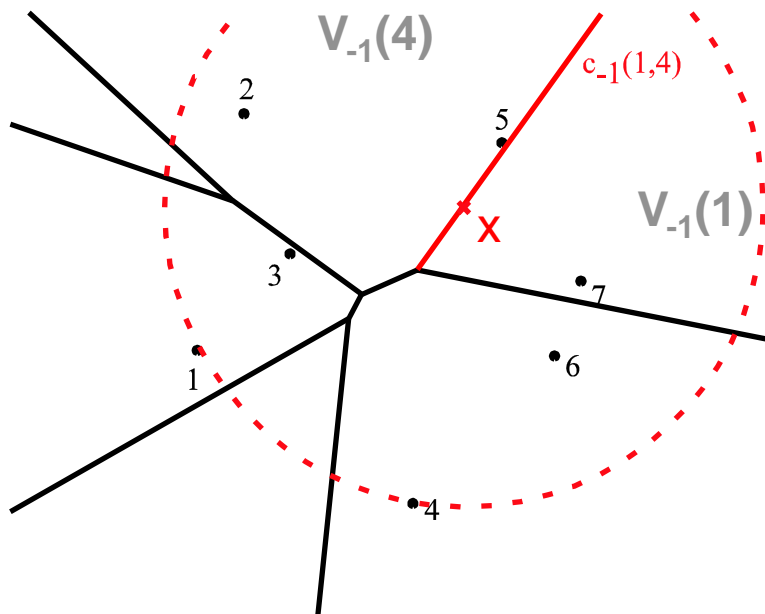
# Farthest-point Voronoi region

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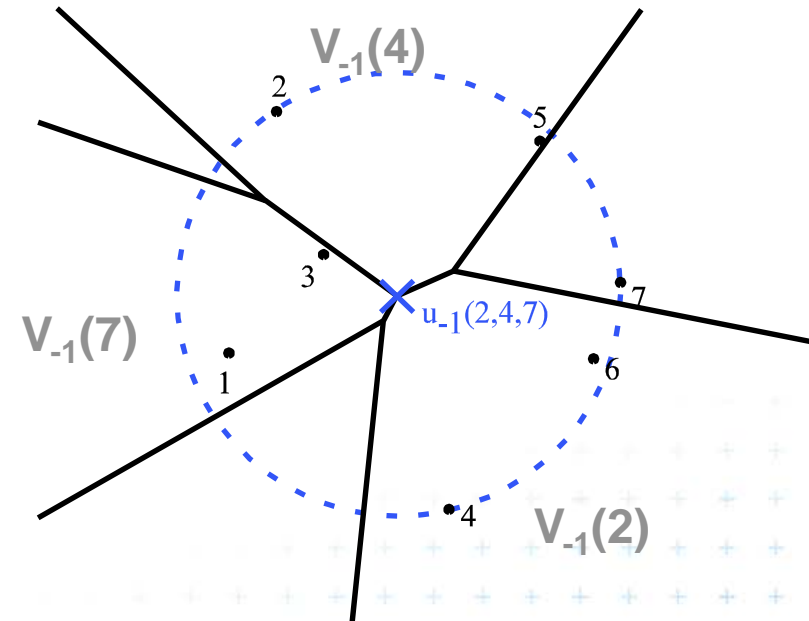
- Only vertices of the convex hull have their cells in farthest Voronoi diagram
- The farthest point Voronoi regions are unbounded
- The farthest point Voronoi edges and vertices form a tree (in the graph sense)



# Farthest point Voronoi edges and vertices



**edge** : set of points equidistant from 2 sites and closer to all the other sites



**vertex** : point equidistant from at least 3 sites and closer to all the other sites

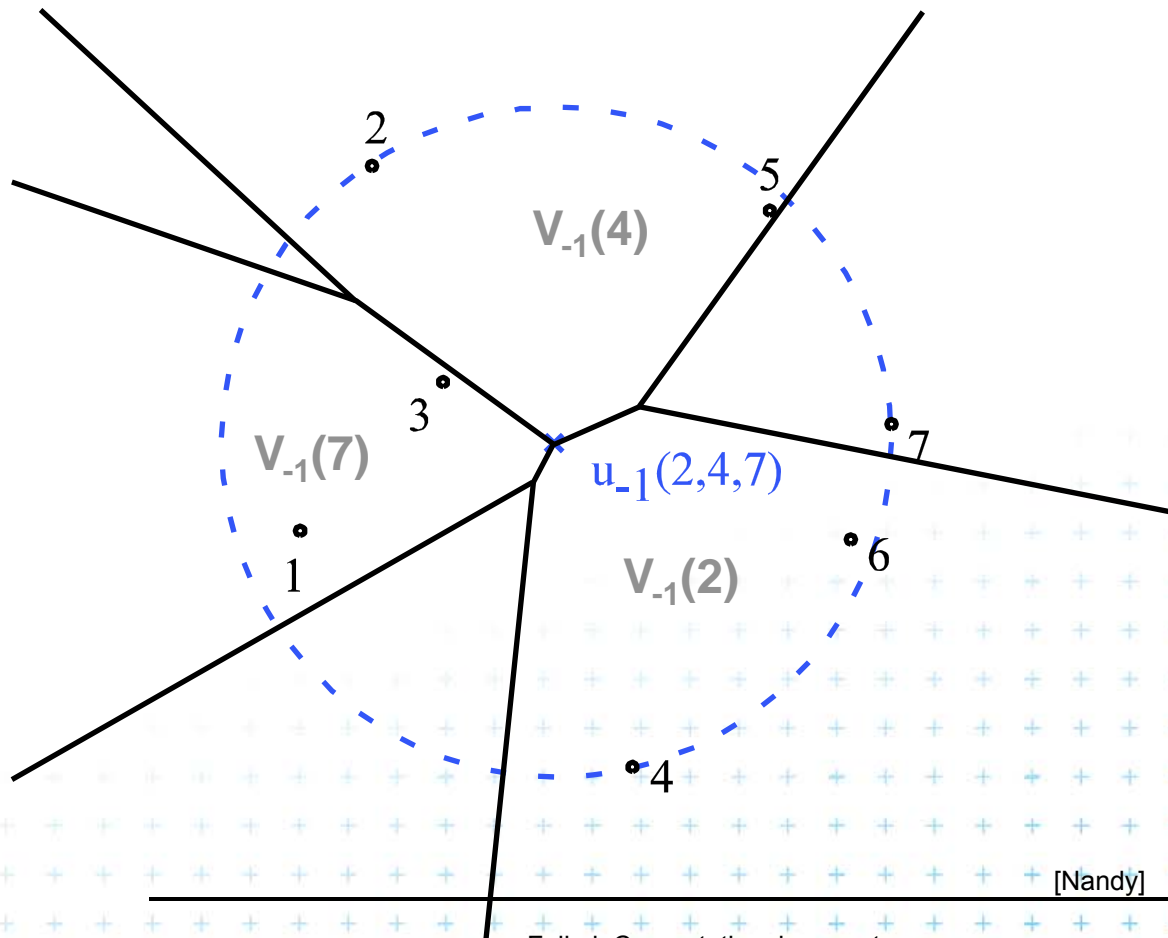


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# Application of $\text{Vor}_{-1}(P)$ : Smallest enclosing circle

- Construct  $\text{Vor}_{-1}(P)$  and find minimal circle with center in  $\text{Vor}_{-1}(P)$  vertices or on edges

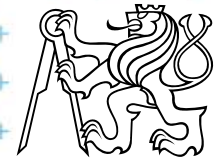
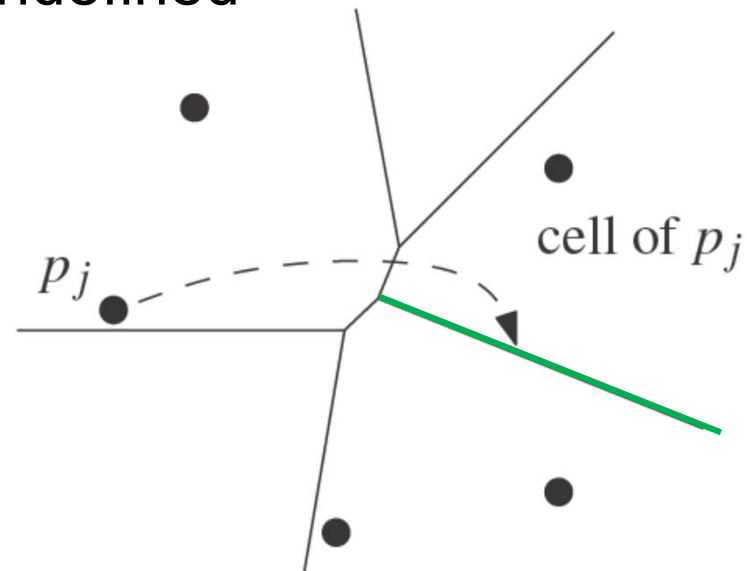


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# Modified DCEL for farthest-point Voronoi d

- Half-infinite edges  $\rightarrow$  we adapt DCEL
- Half-edges with origin in infinity
  - Special vertex-like record for origin in infinity
  - Store **direction** instead of coordinates
  - Next(e) or Prev(e) pointers undefined
- For each inserted site  $p_j$ 
  - store a **pointer to the most CCW half-infinite half-edge** of its cell in DCEL

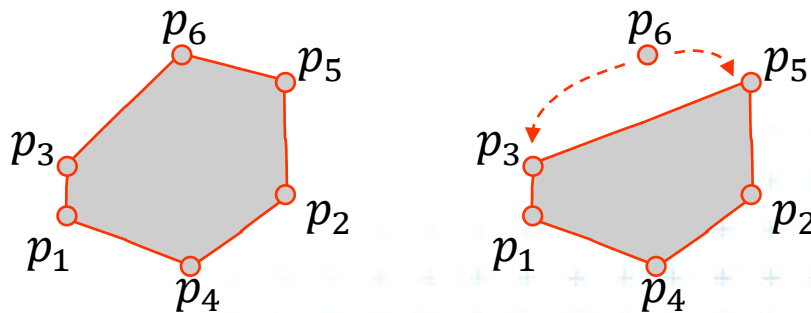




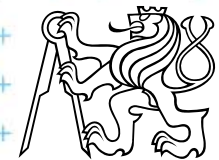
# Idea of the algorithm

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1. Create the convex hull and number the CH points randomly
2. Remove the points starting in the last of this random order and store  $cw(p_i)$  and  $ccw(p_i)$  points at the time of removal.
3. Include the points back and compute  $V_{-1}$



$p_i$	$ccw(p_i)$	$cw(p_i)$
$p_6$	$p_3$	$p_5$
$p_5$	$p_3$	$p_2$
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# Farthest-point Voronoi d. construction

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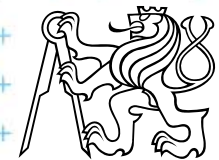
## Farthest-point Voronoi

$O(n \log n)$  time in  $O(n)$  storage

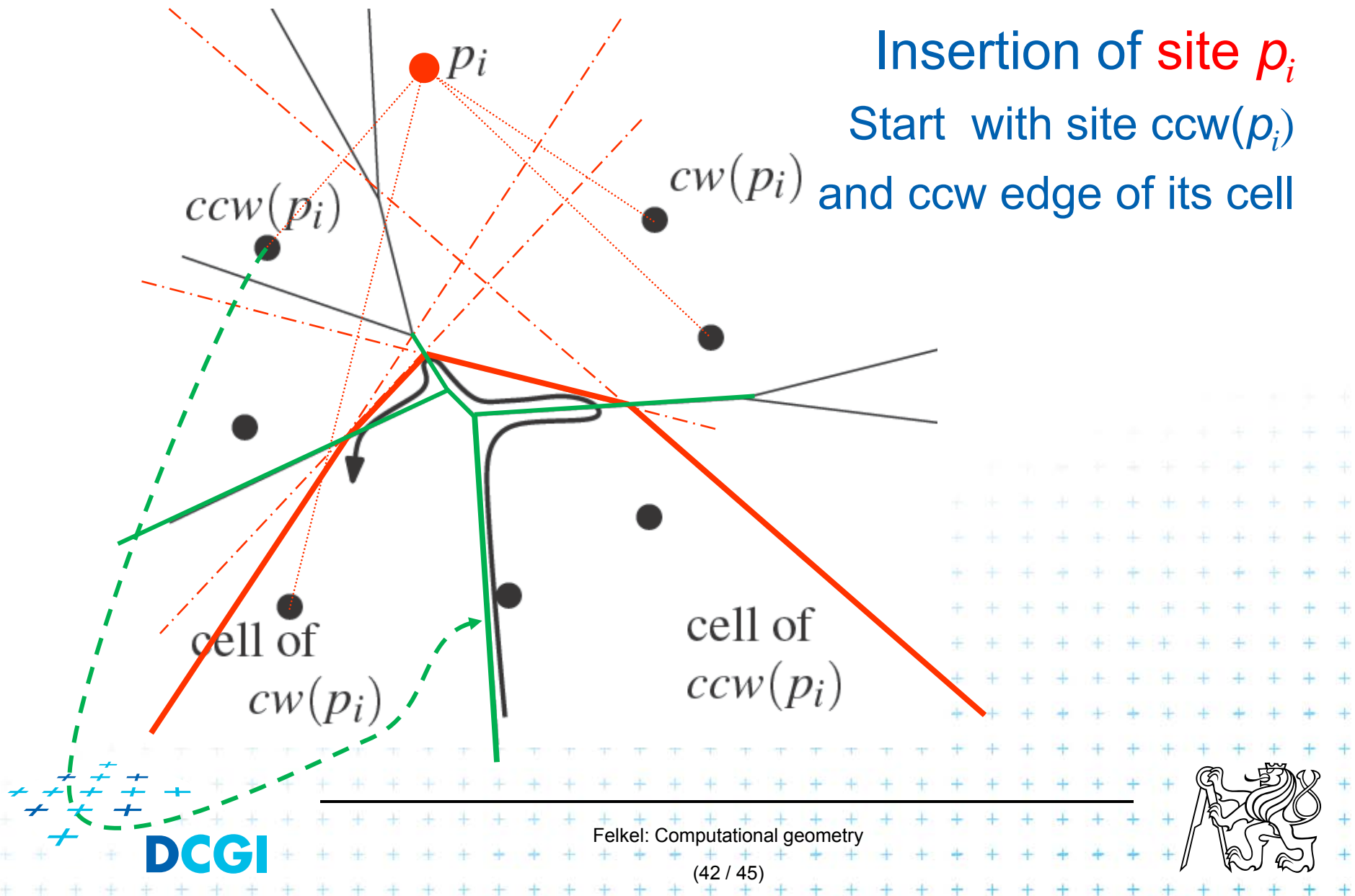
*Input:* Set of points  $P$  in plane

*Output:* Farthest-point VD  $\text{Vor}_{-1}(P)$

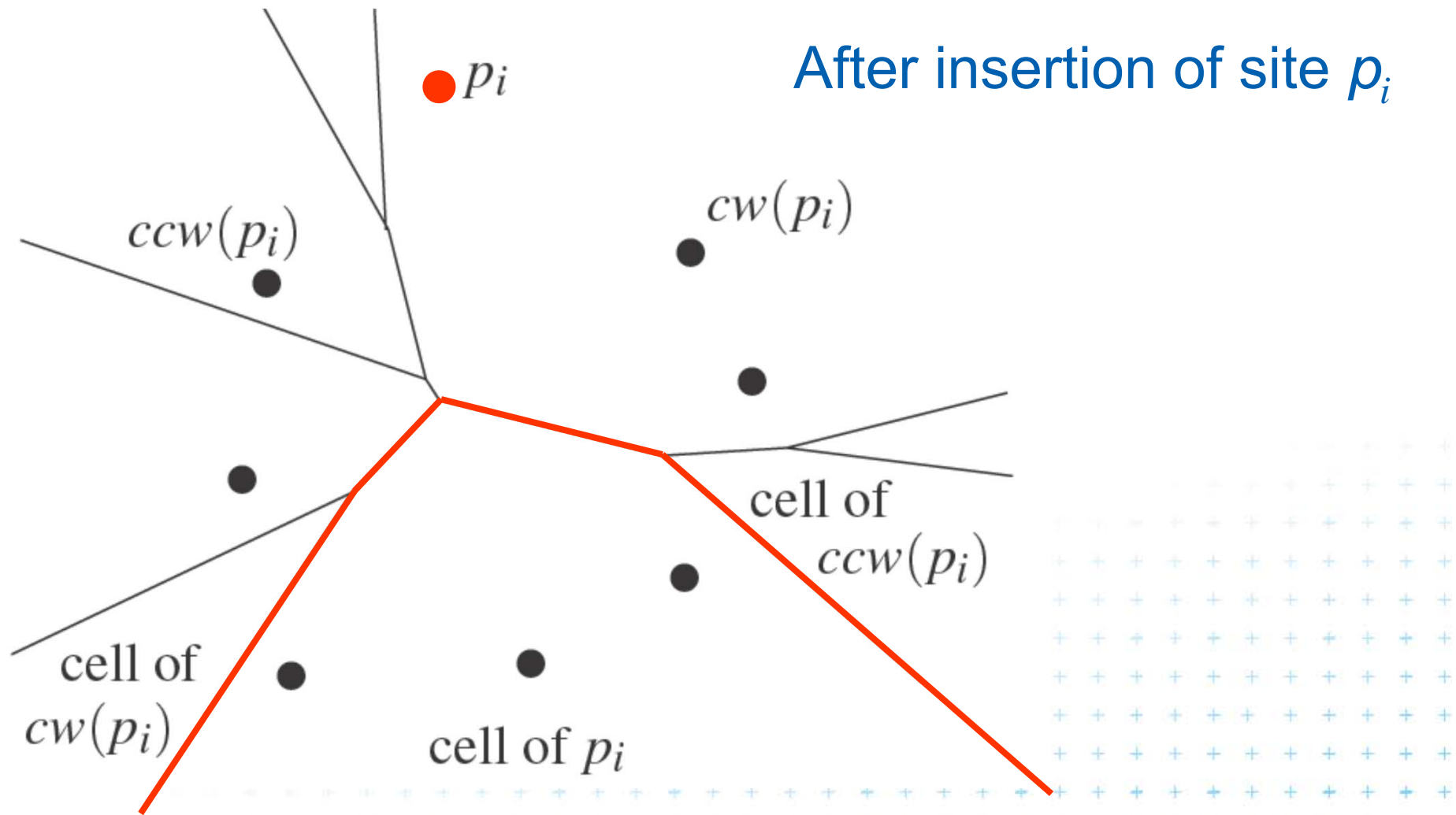
1. Compute convex hull of  $P$
2. Put points in CH( $P$ ) of  $P$  in random order  $p_1, \dots, p_h$
3. Remove  $p_h, \dots, p_4$  from the cyclic order (around the CH).  
When removing  $p_i$ , store the neighbors:  $cw(p_i)$  and  $ccw(p_i)$  at the time of removal. (This is done to know the neighbors needed in step 6.)
4. Compute  $\text{Vor}_{-1}(\{p_1, p_2, p_3\})$  as init
5. **for**  $i = 4$  **to**  $h$  **do**
6.     Add site  $p_i$  to  $\text{Vor}_{-1}(\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{i-1}\})$  between site  $cw(p_i)$  and  $ccw(p_i)$
7.         - start at most CCW edge of the cell  $ccw(p_i)$
8.         - continue CW to find intersection with bisector( $ccw(p_i), p_i$ )
9.         - trace borders of Voronoi cell  $p_i$  in CCW order, add edges
10.        - remove invalid edges inside of Voronoi cell  $p_i$



# Farthest-point Voronoi d. construction



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