

TRIANGULATING POLYGONS

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- \cap intersecció de los Δ 's es vacía
- \cup unió de los Δ 's es el polígono

En el interior del polígono es una gráfica plana maximal, sus aristas son segmentos de recta

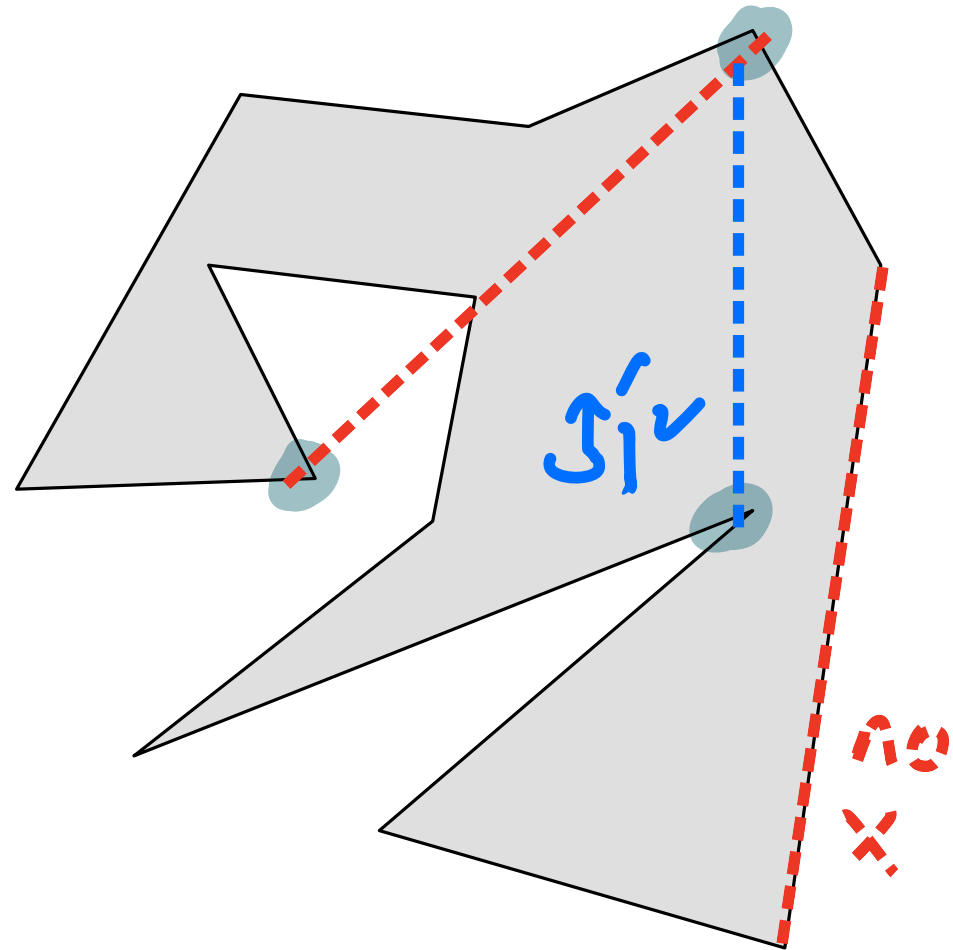
- vértices de Δ 's = vértices del polígono.

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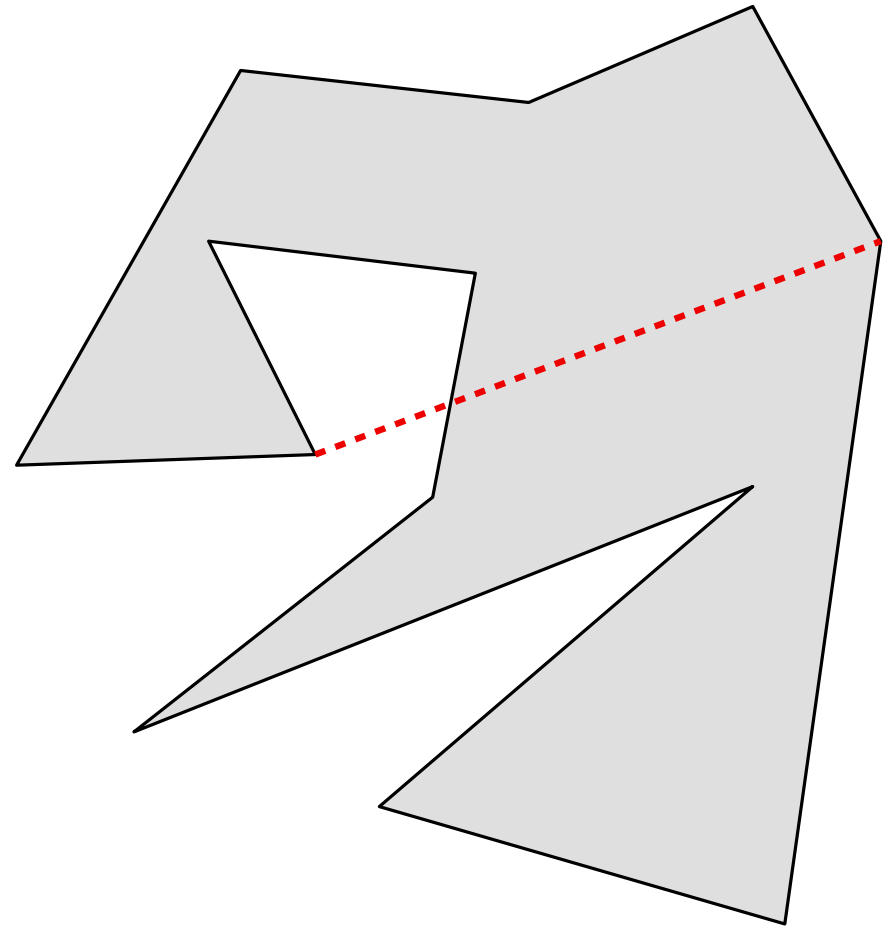


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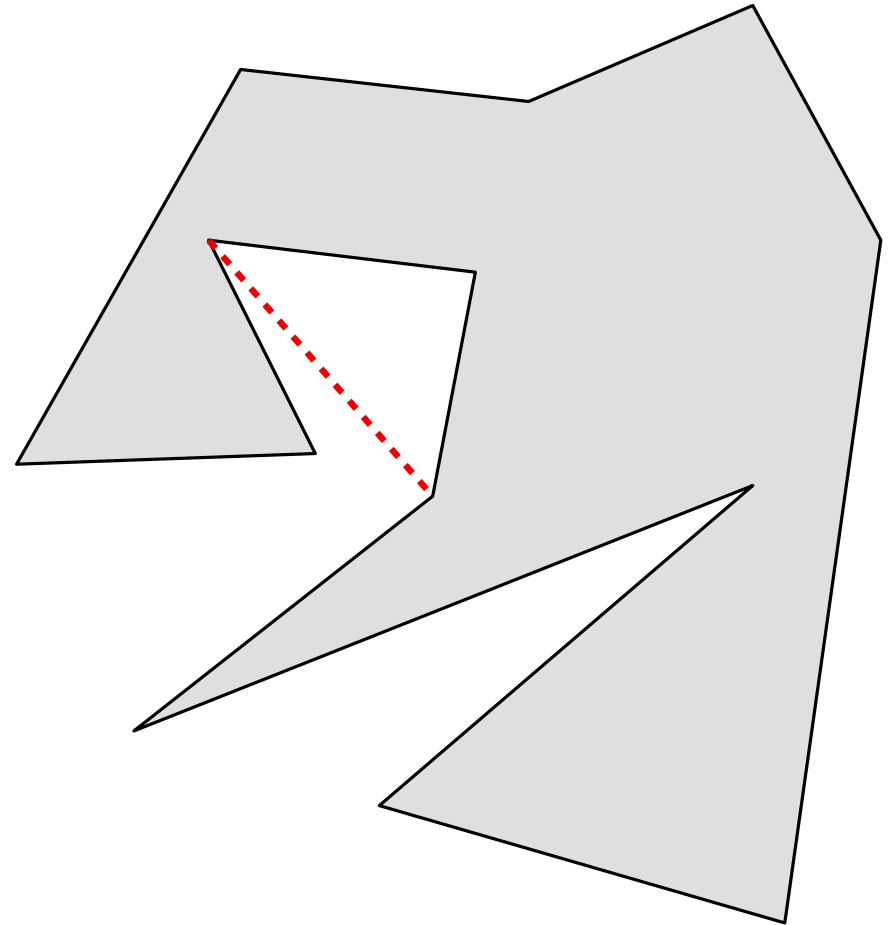


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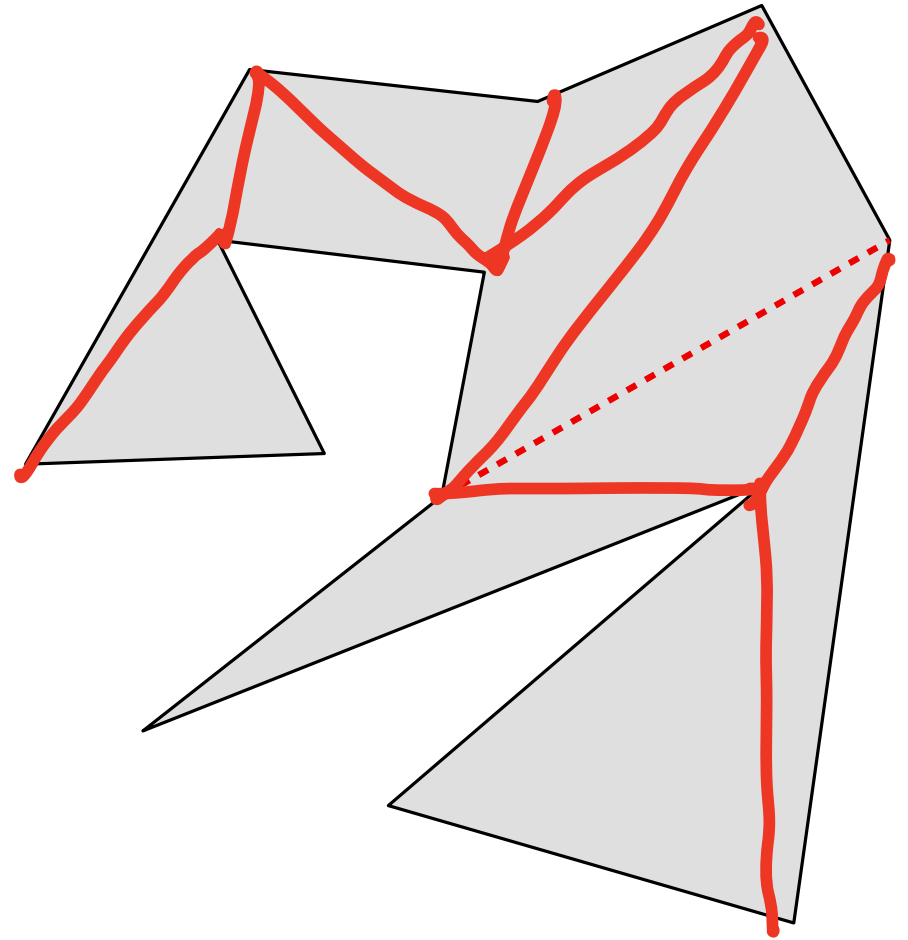
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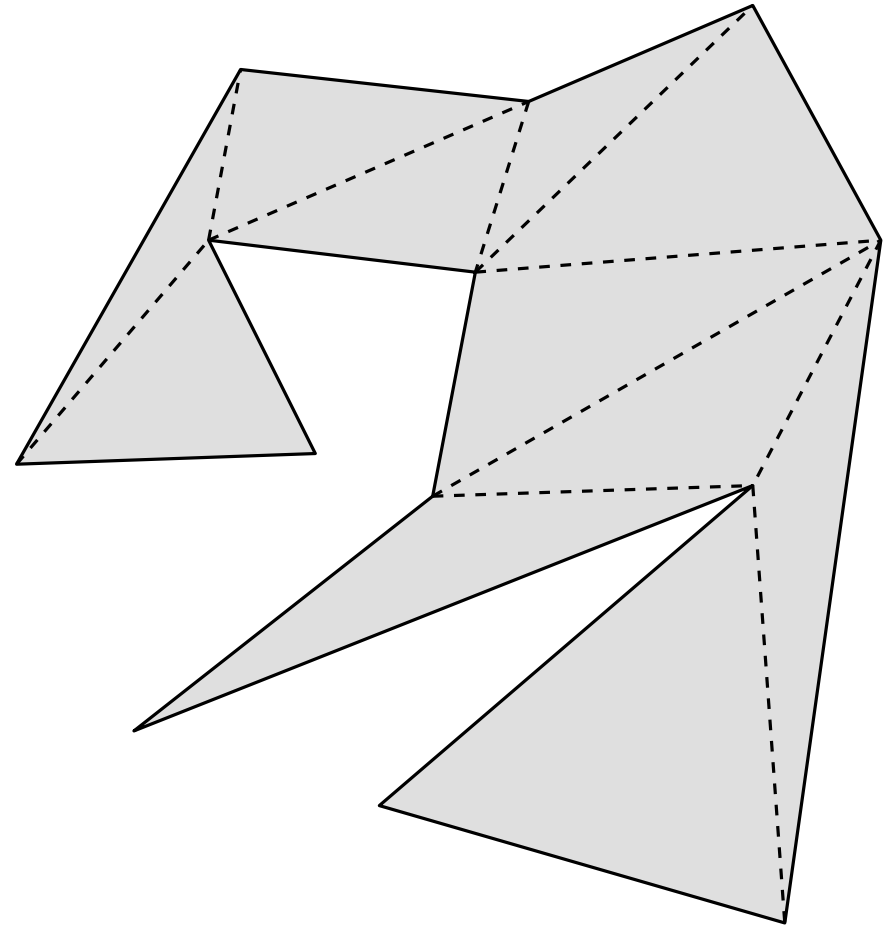


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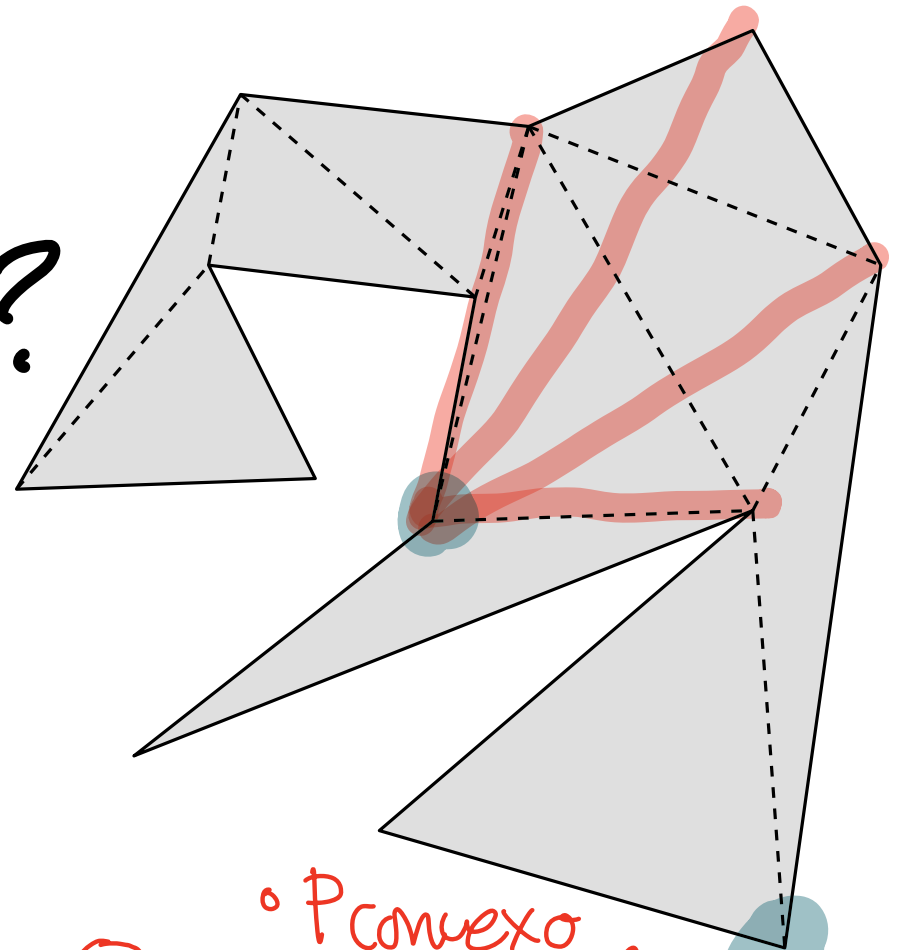
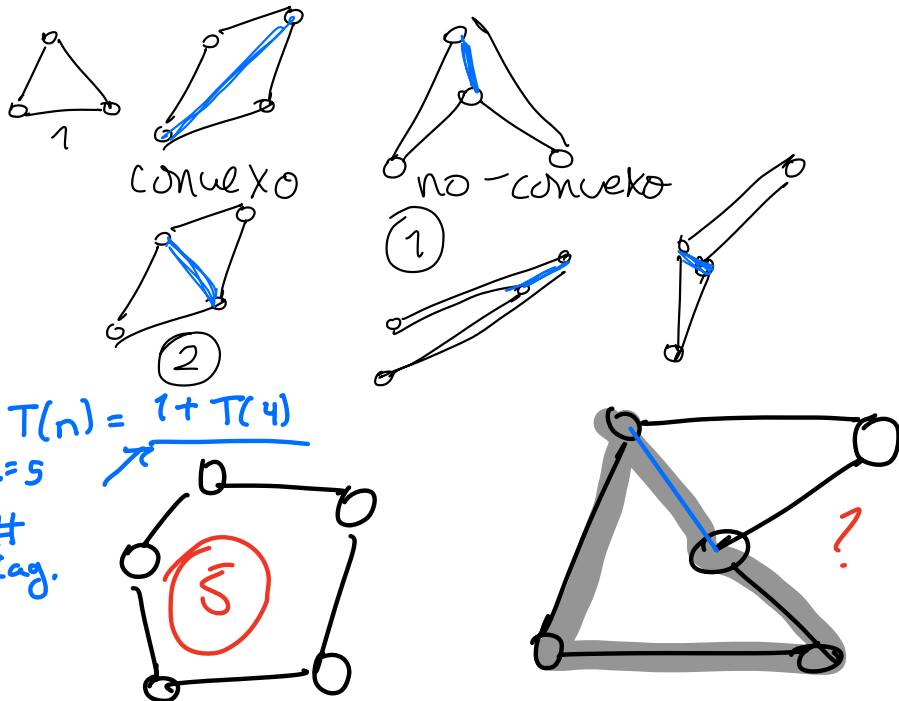
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¿Cuántas Δ 's tiene?



o P convexo
#Catalán — #
exp.

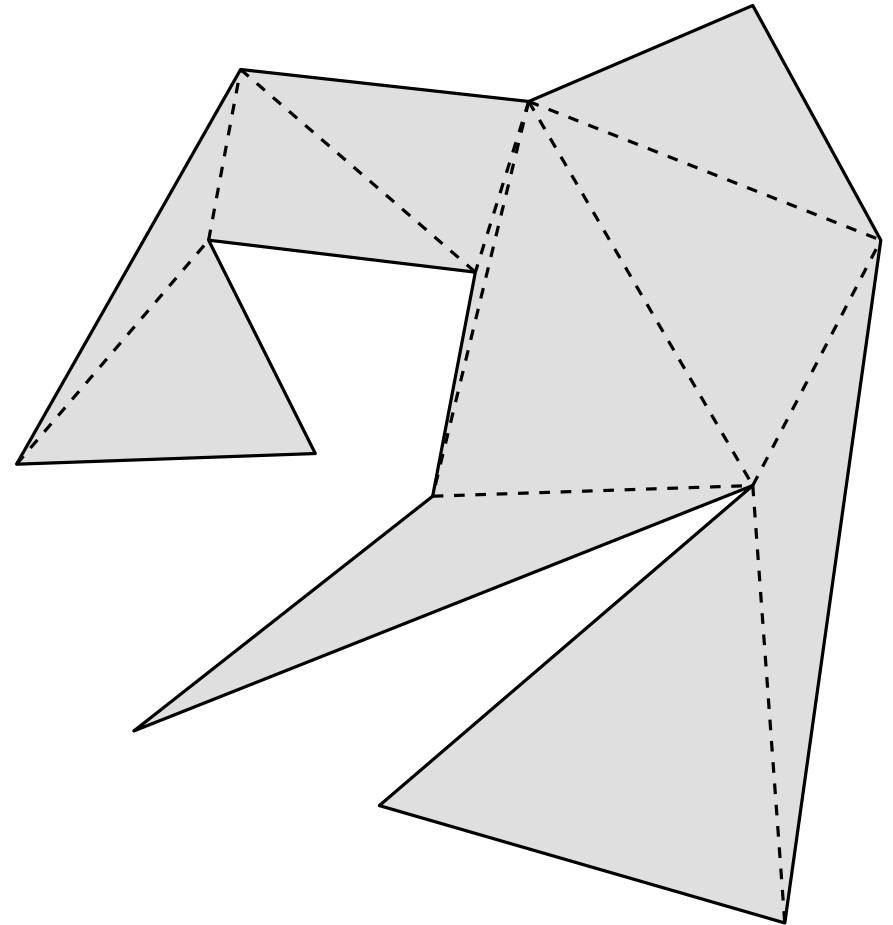
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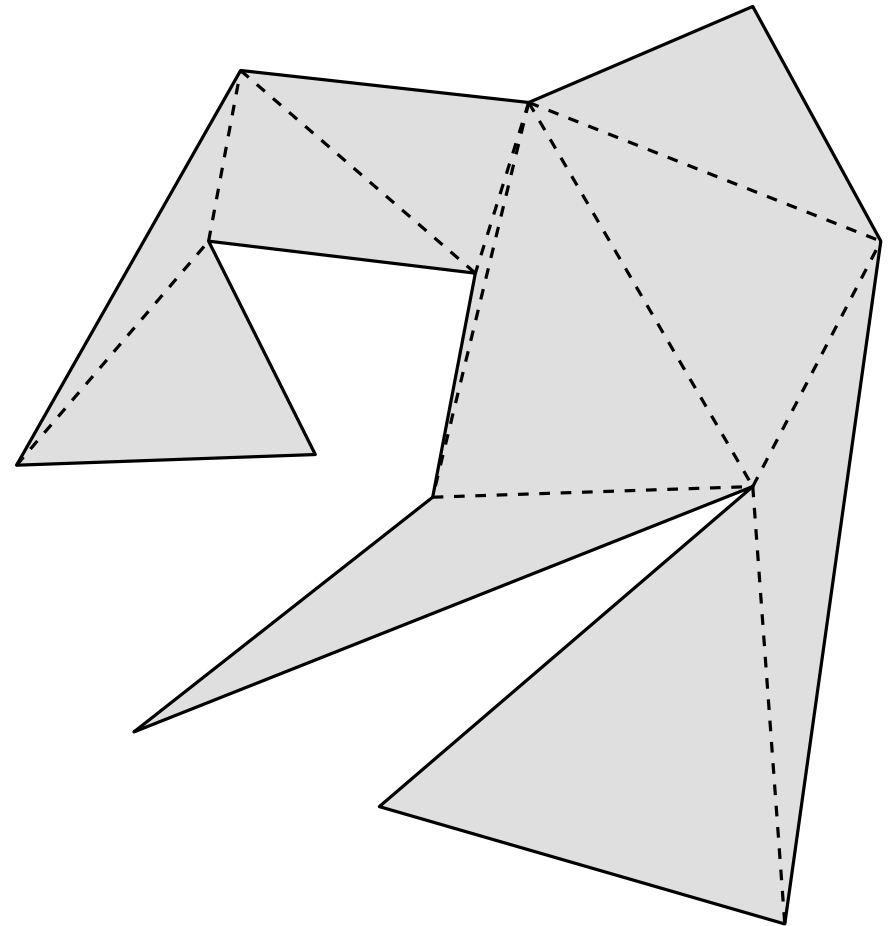
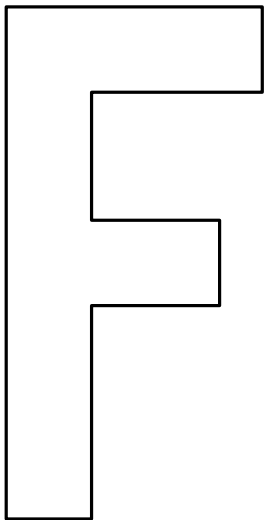
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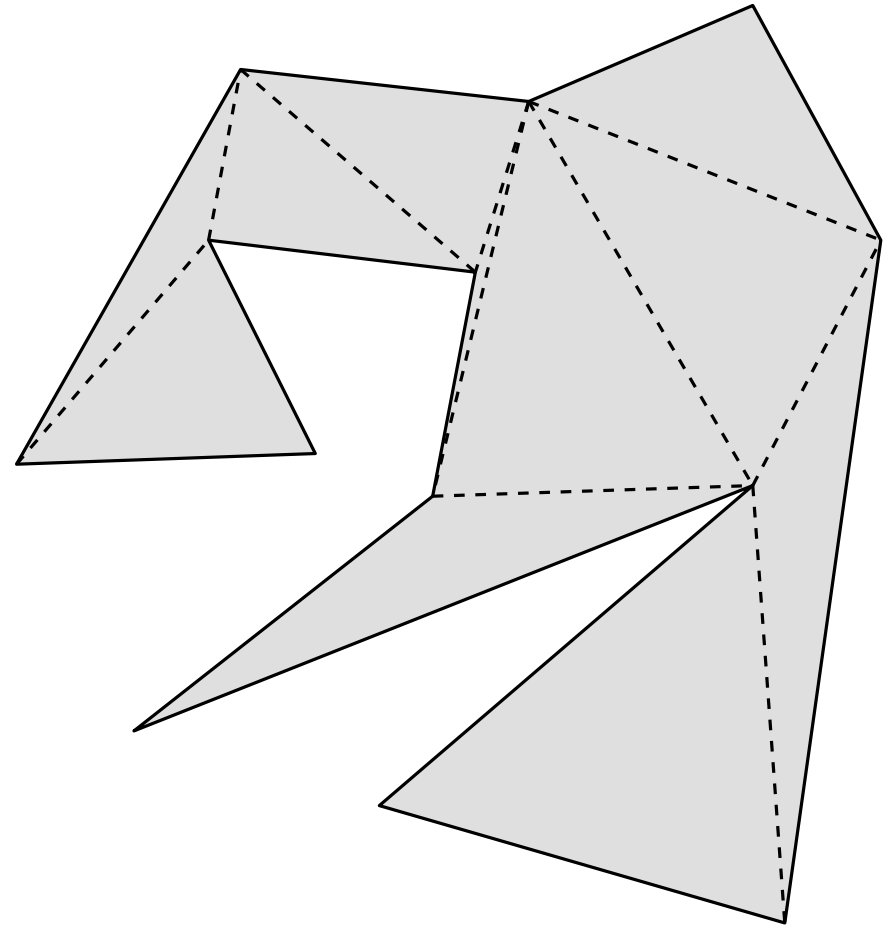
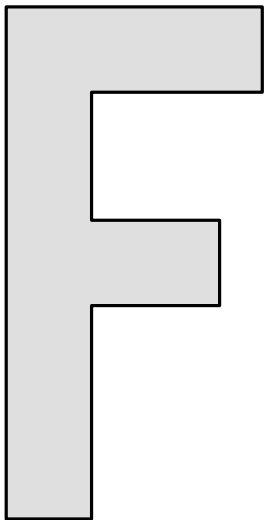
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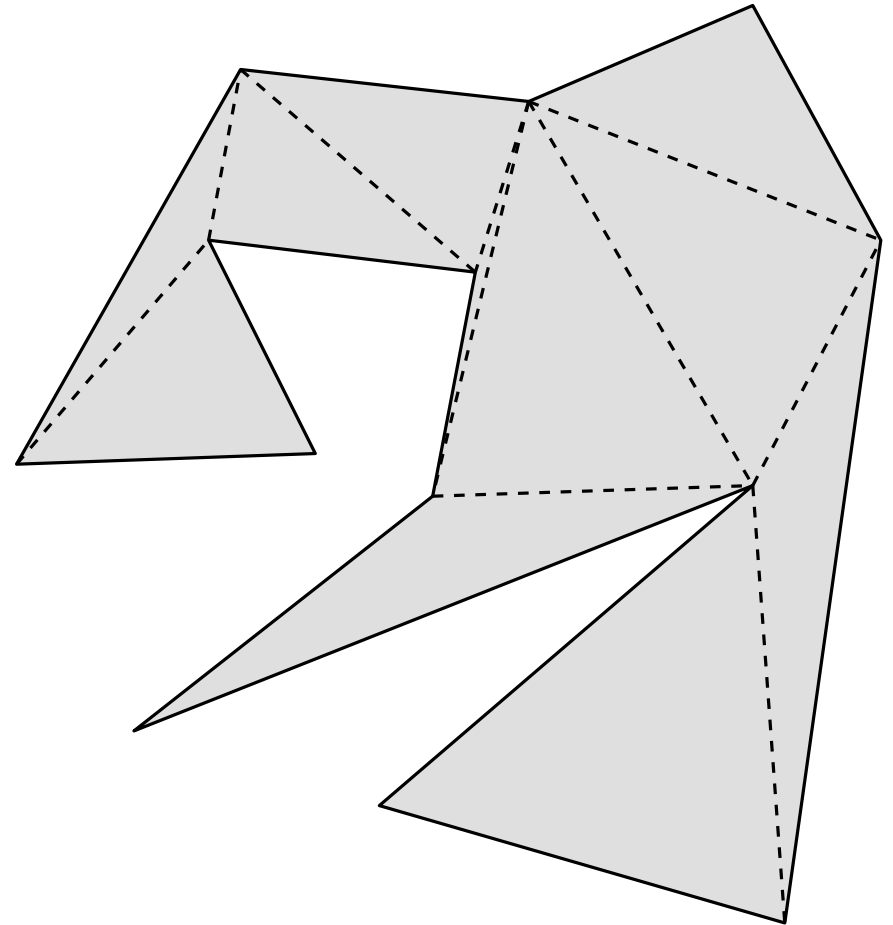
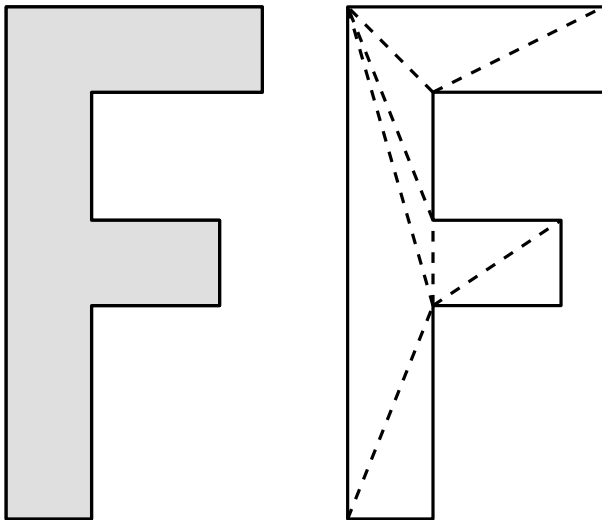
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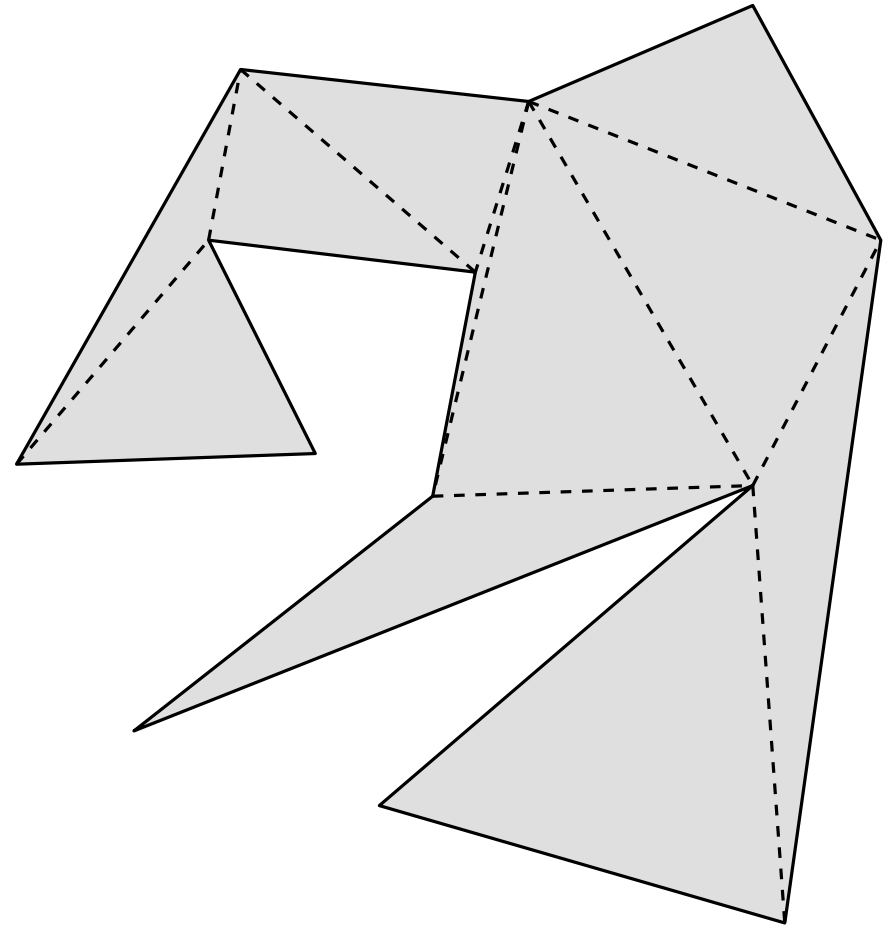
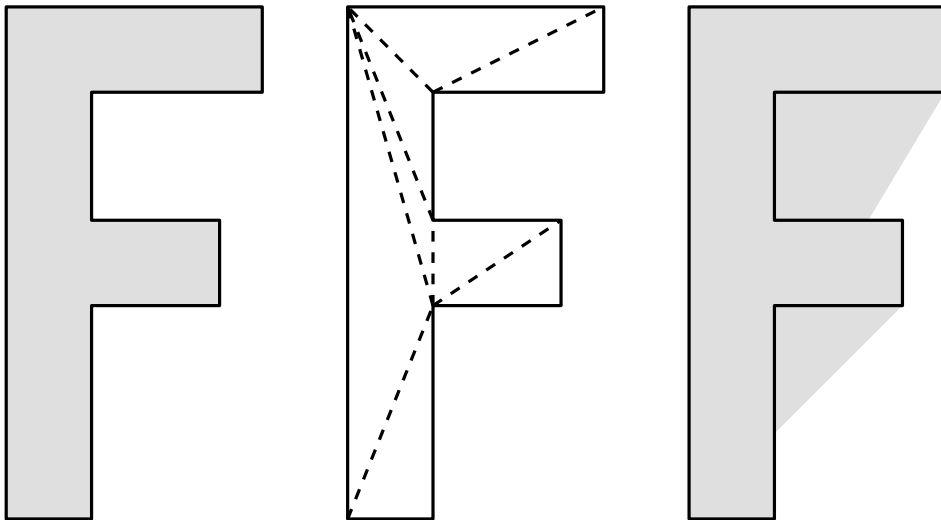
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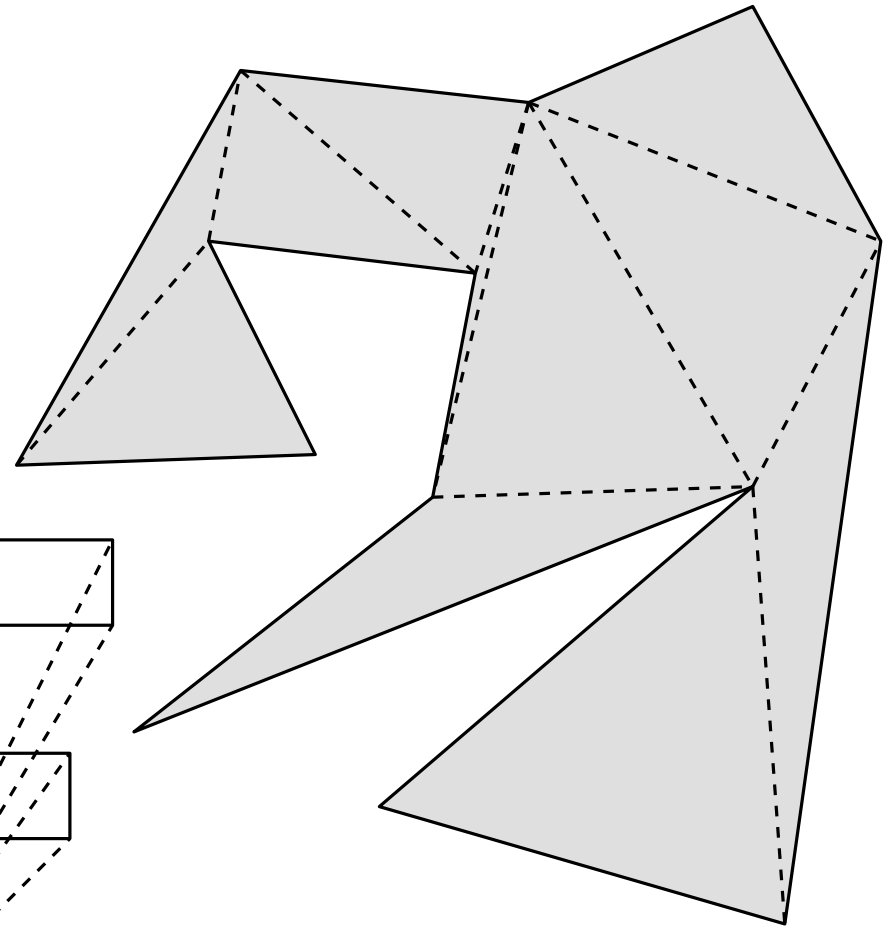
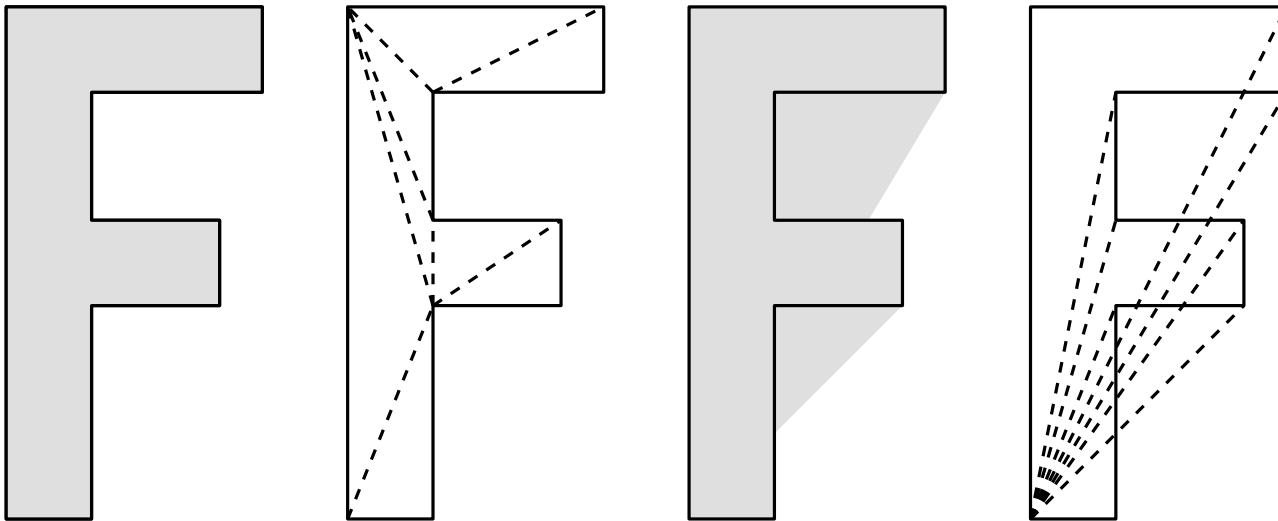
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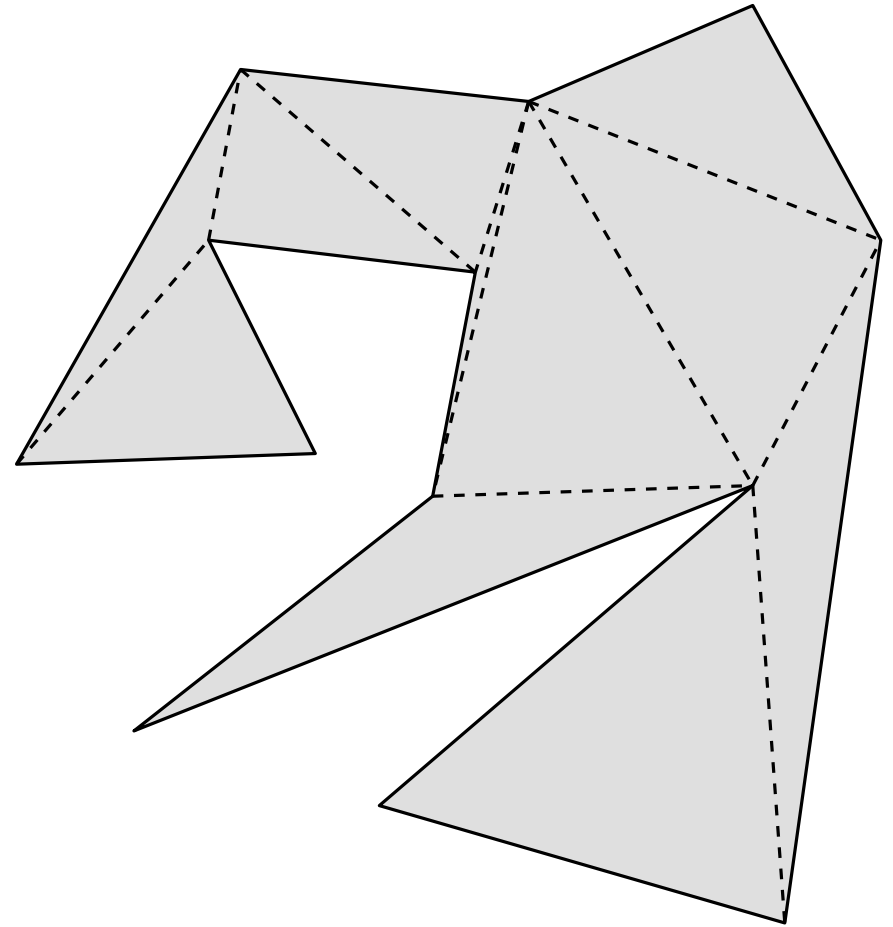
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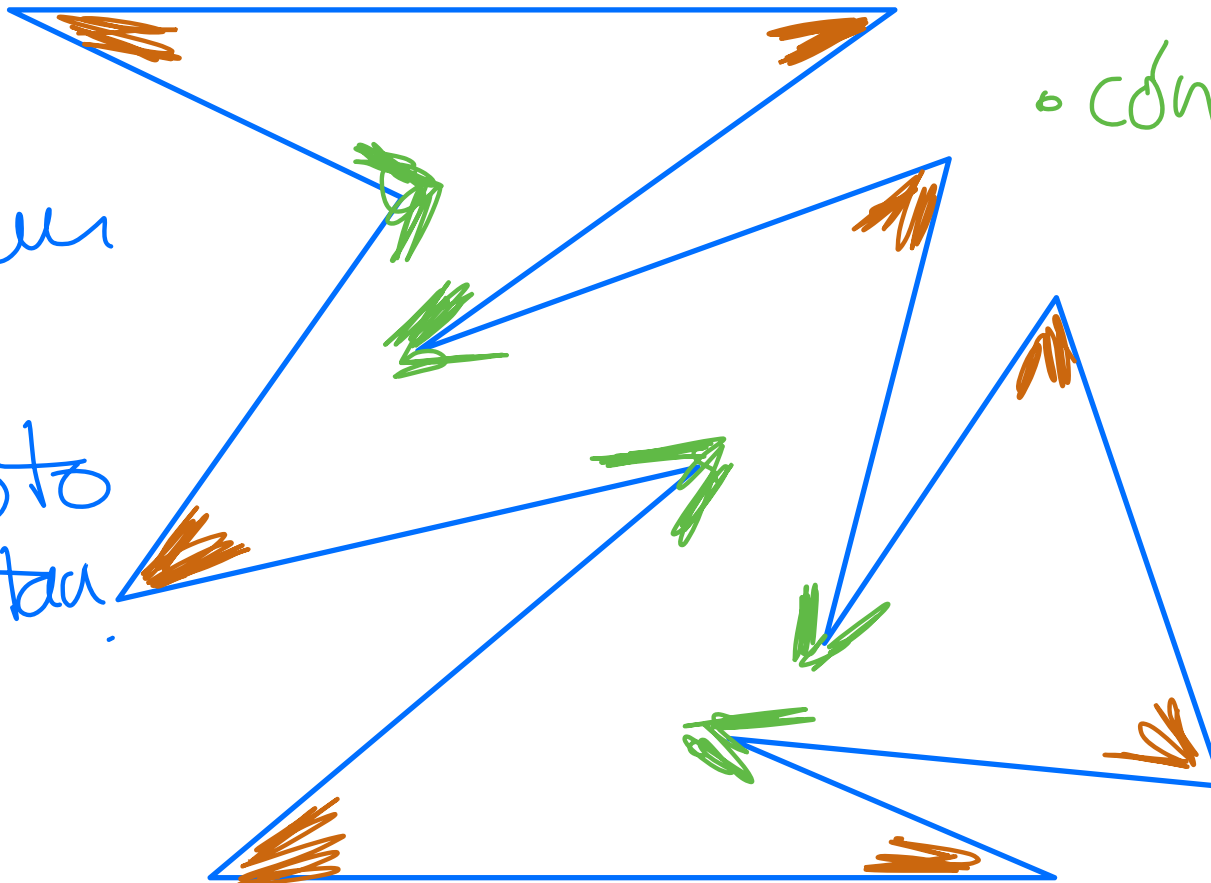
Every polygon admits a triangulation → descomposició en triangles.

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simples:
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hoyos
No se auto
intersectan.



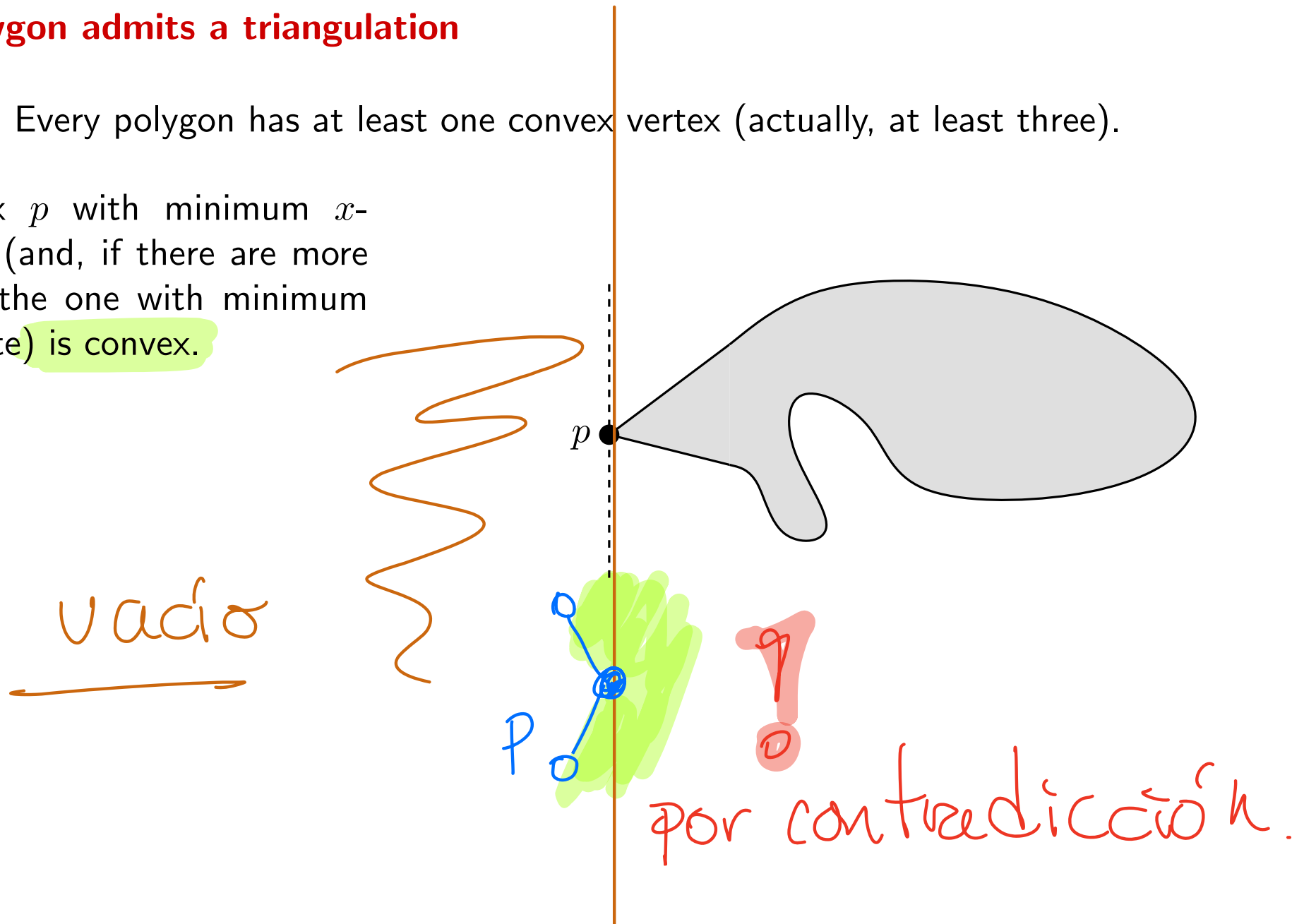
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 $\angle > 180^\circ$

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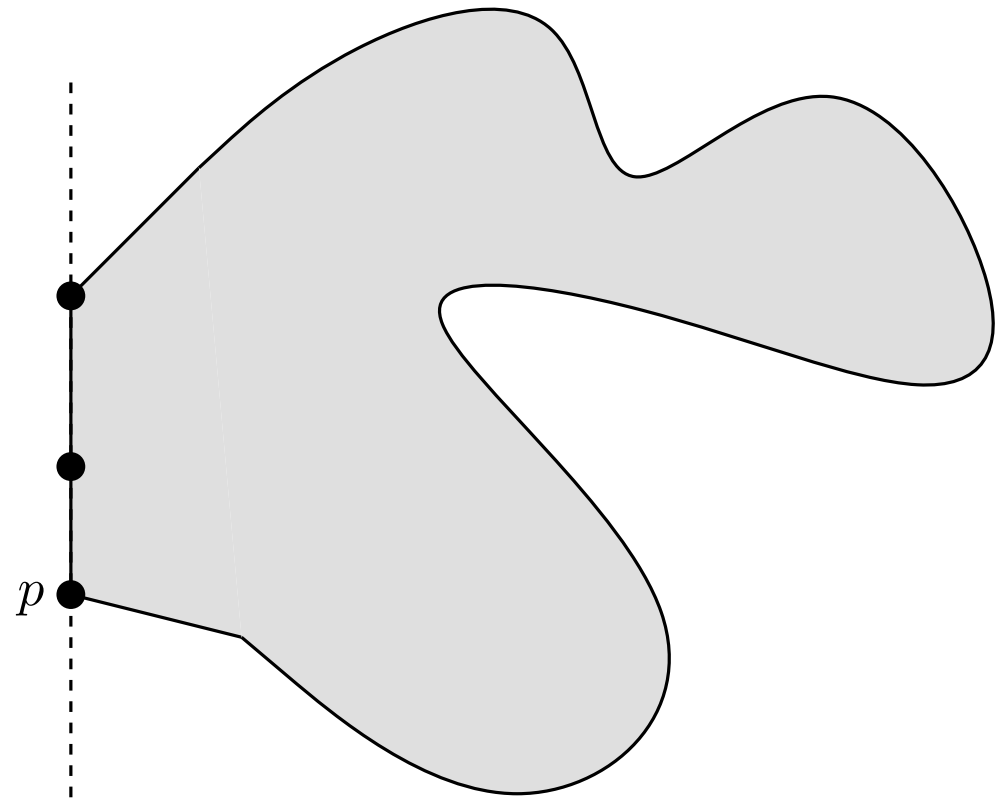


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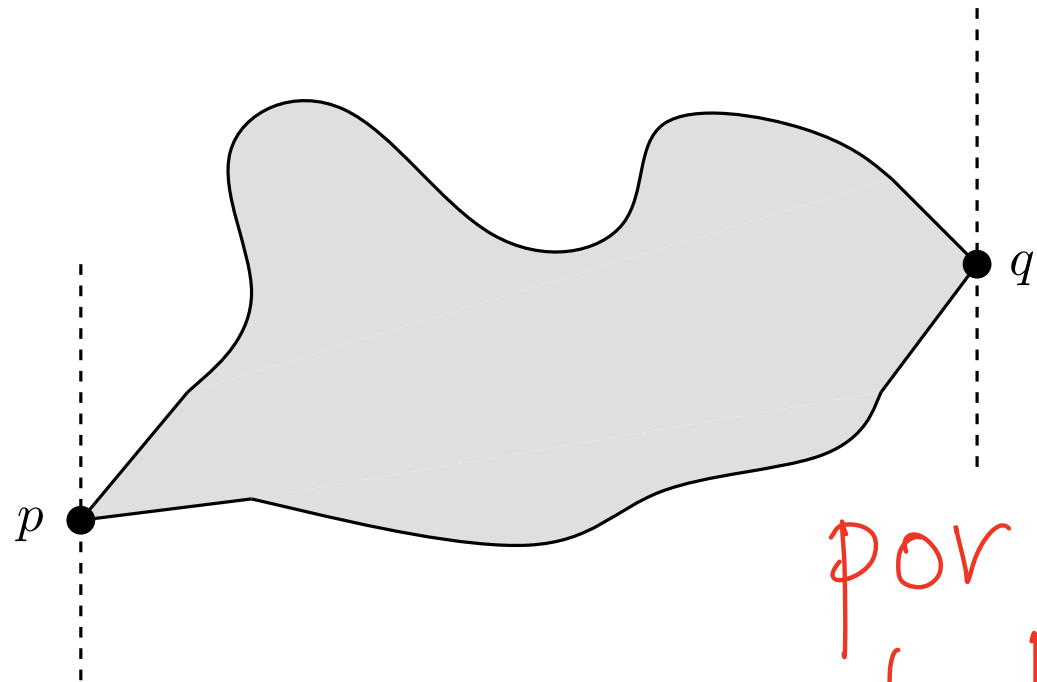
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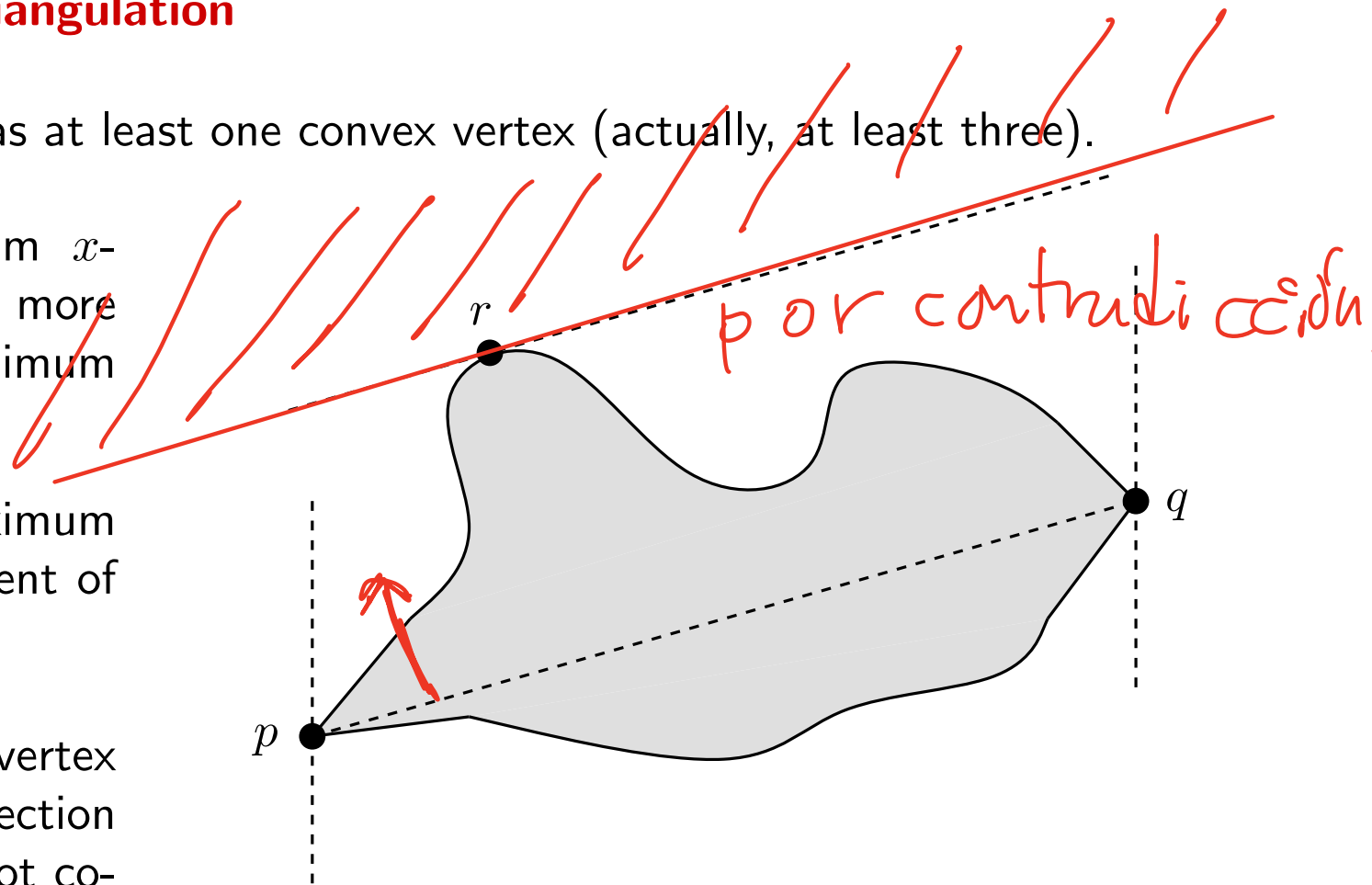
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Finally, there is at least one vertex which is extreme in the direction orthogonal to pq and does not coincide with any of the above. This third vertex r is necessarily convex.



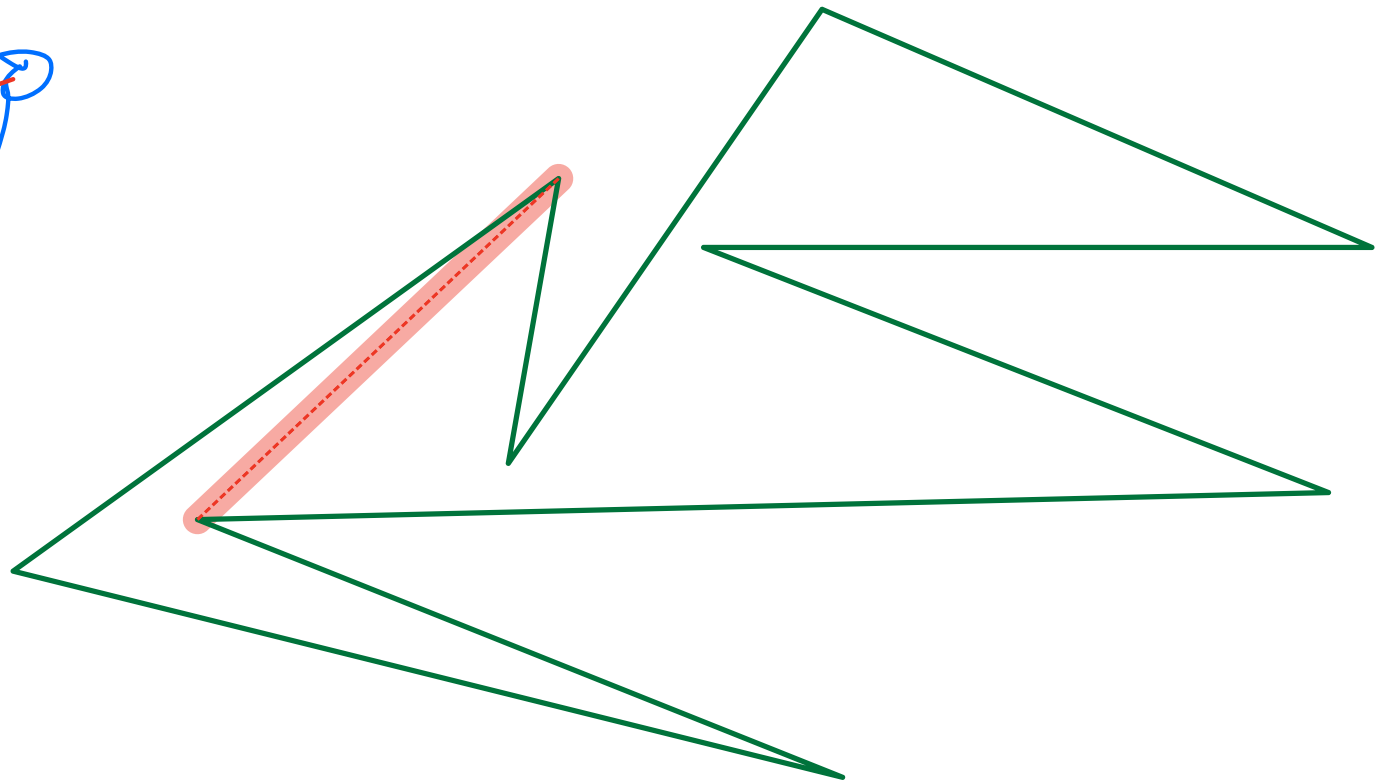
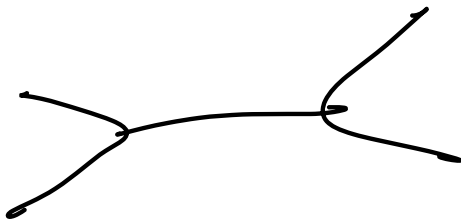
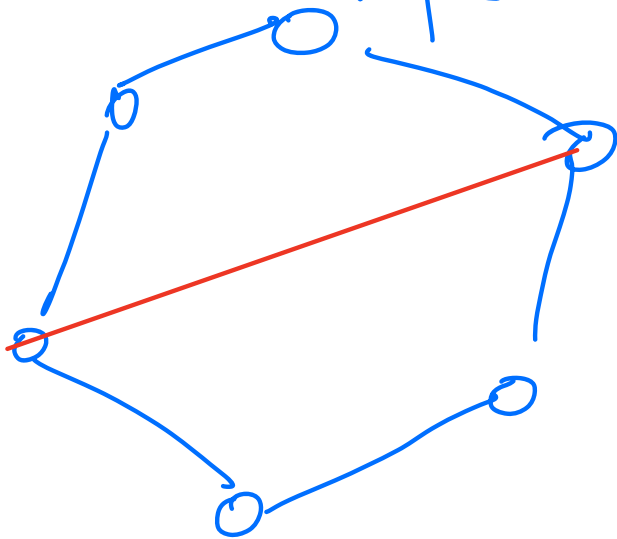
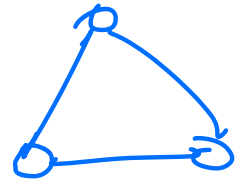
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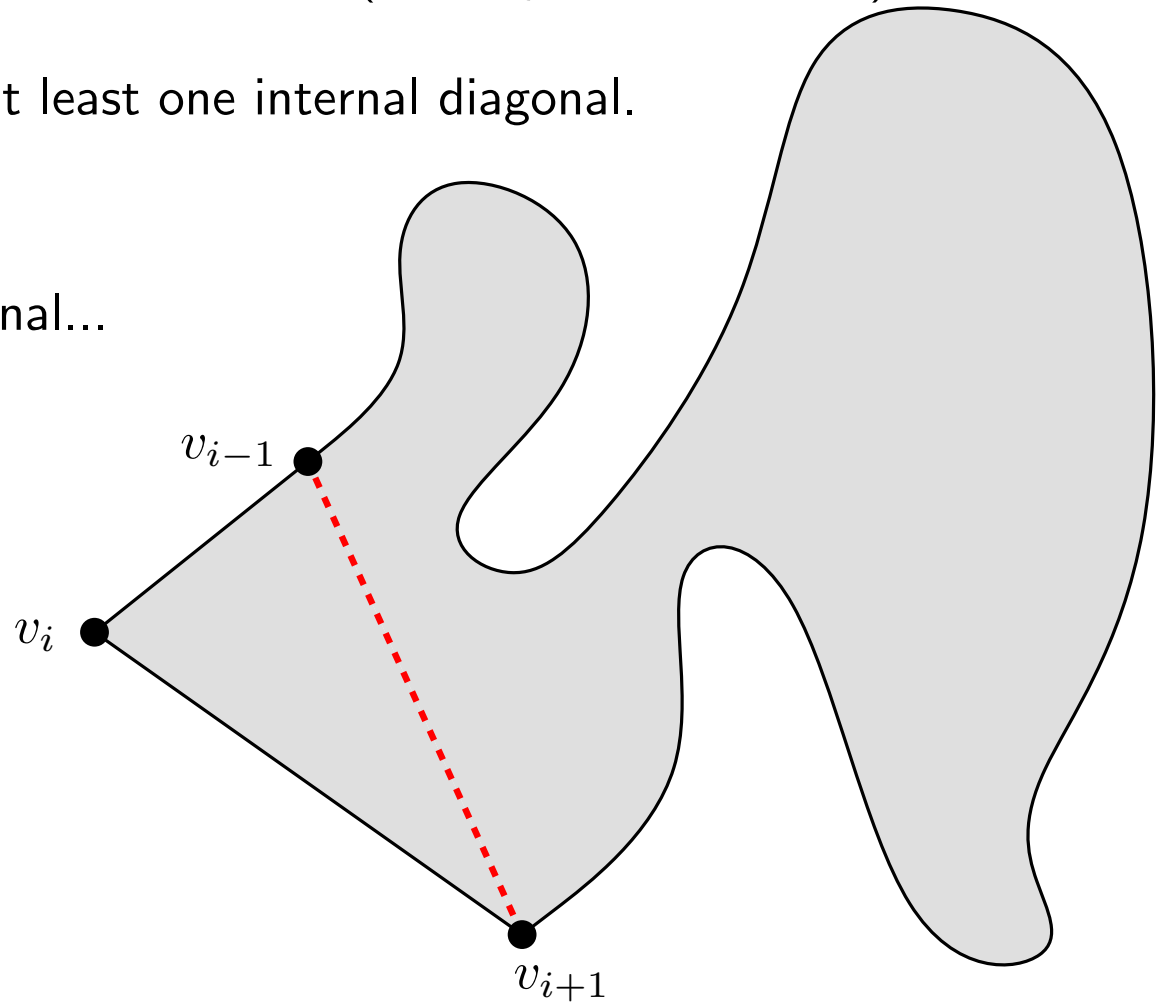
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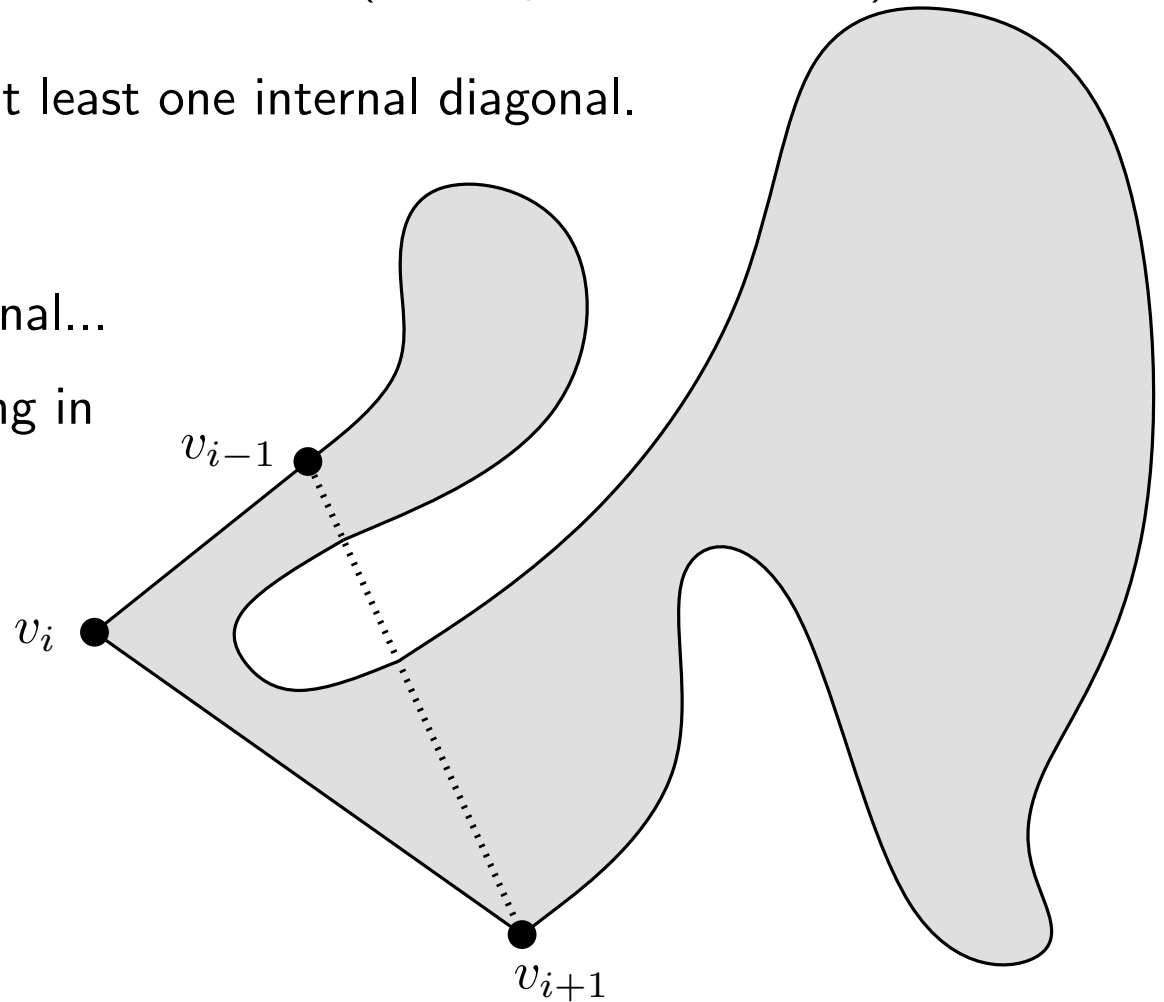
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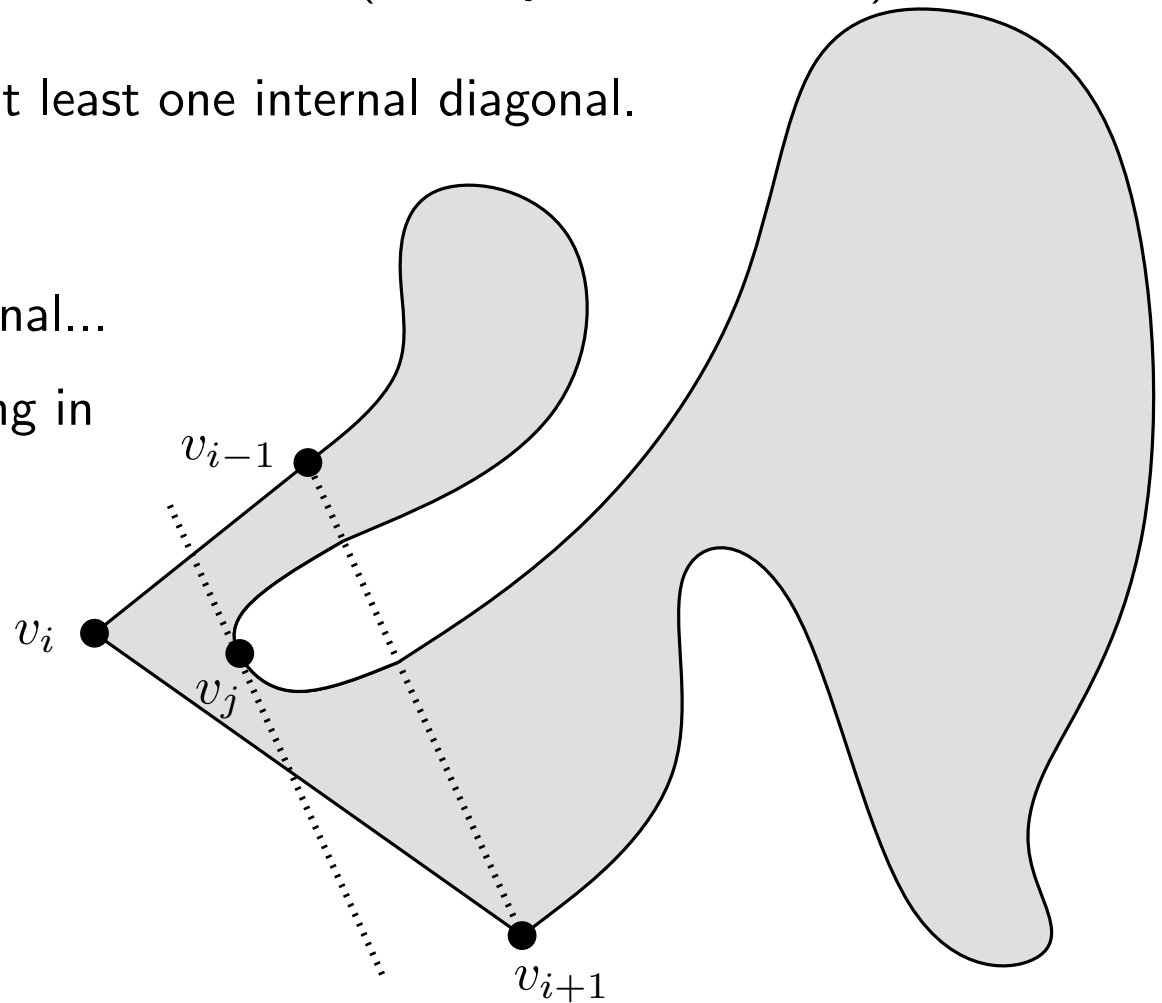
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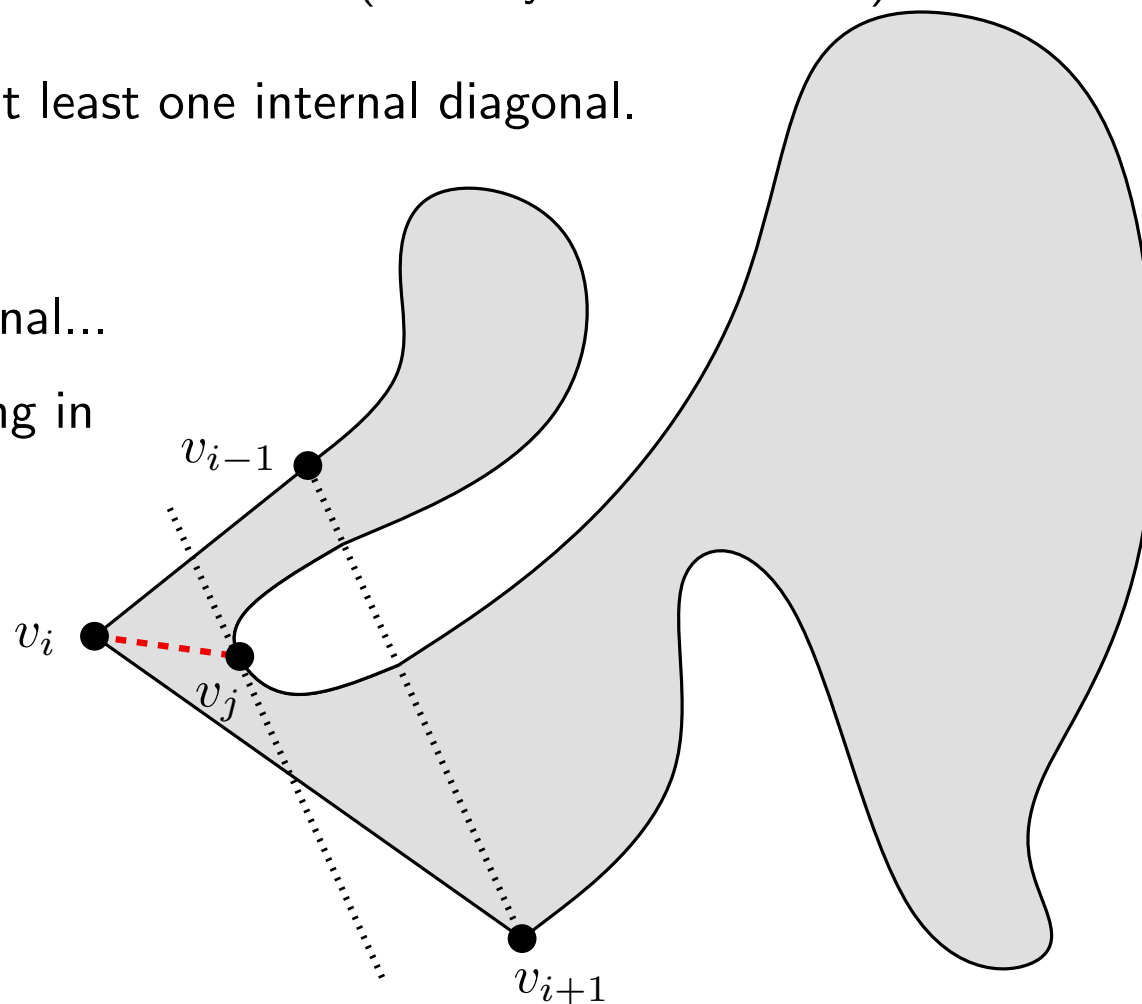
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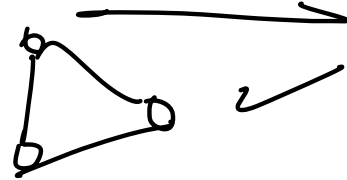
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Corollary. Every polygon can be triangulated. (By induction.)

← sobre n .

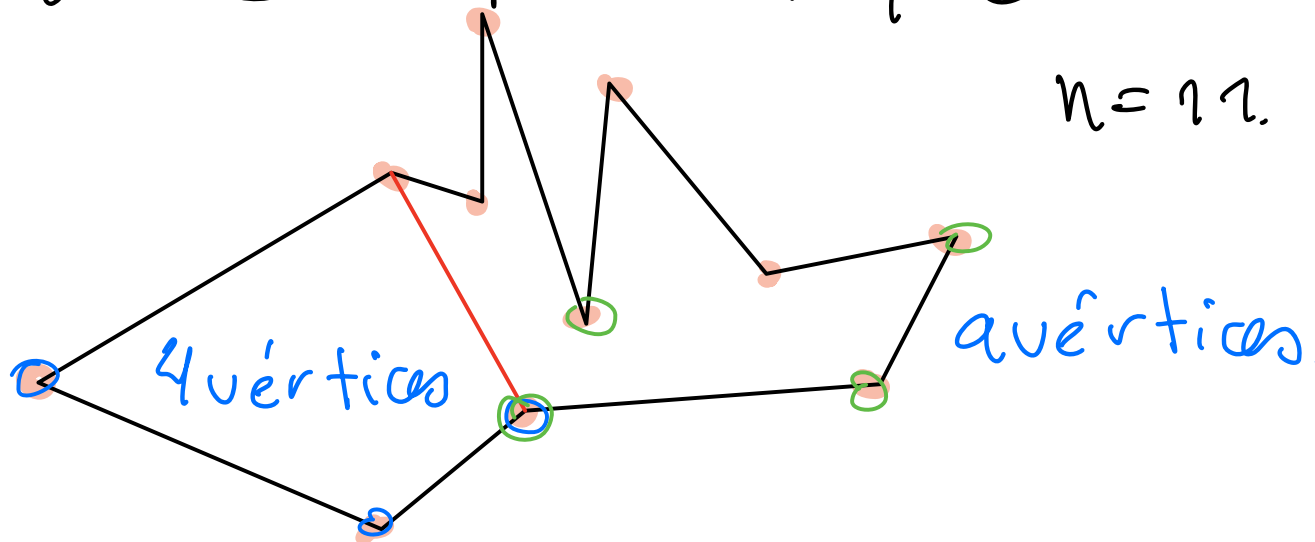
Caso base $n=3$.



Para $n \geq 3$

$$P = P_1 \cup P_2$$

$n=11$.



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Properties of the triangulations of polygons

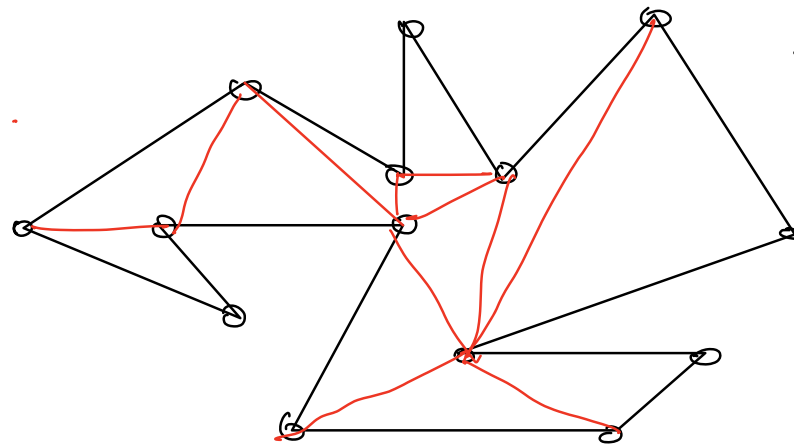
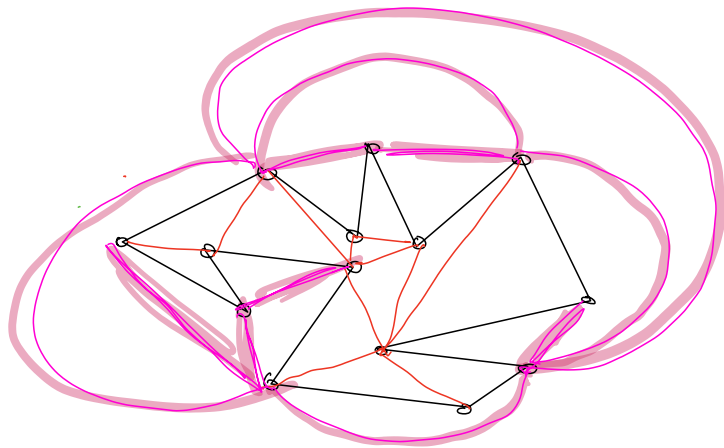
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$$V - E + F = 2$$



aristas = 14

$n = 14$
11 diagonales
12 Δ 'S.

¿ "identidad de Euler" ?

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Proof by induction.

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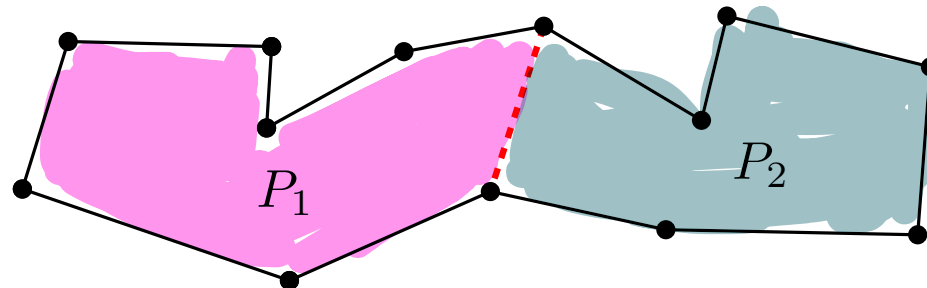
Inductive step: Consider a diagonal of a triangulation T of P , decomposing P into two subpolygons: a $(k + 1)$ -gon P_1 and an $(n - k + 1)$ -gon P_2 . By inductive hypothesis, the number of diagonals of the triangulations induced by T in P_1 and P_2 are:

$$d_1 = k + 1 - 3,$$

$$d_2 = n - k + 1 - 3,$$

therefore, $d = d_1 + d_2 + 1 = k + 1 - 3 + n - k + 1 - 3 + 1 = n - 3$. ✓ ~~the~~

$k+1$
vértices.



$n - k + 1$
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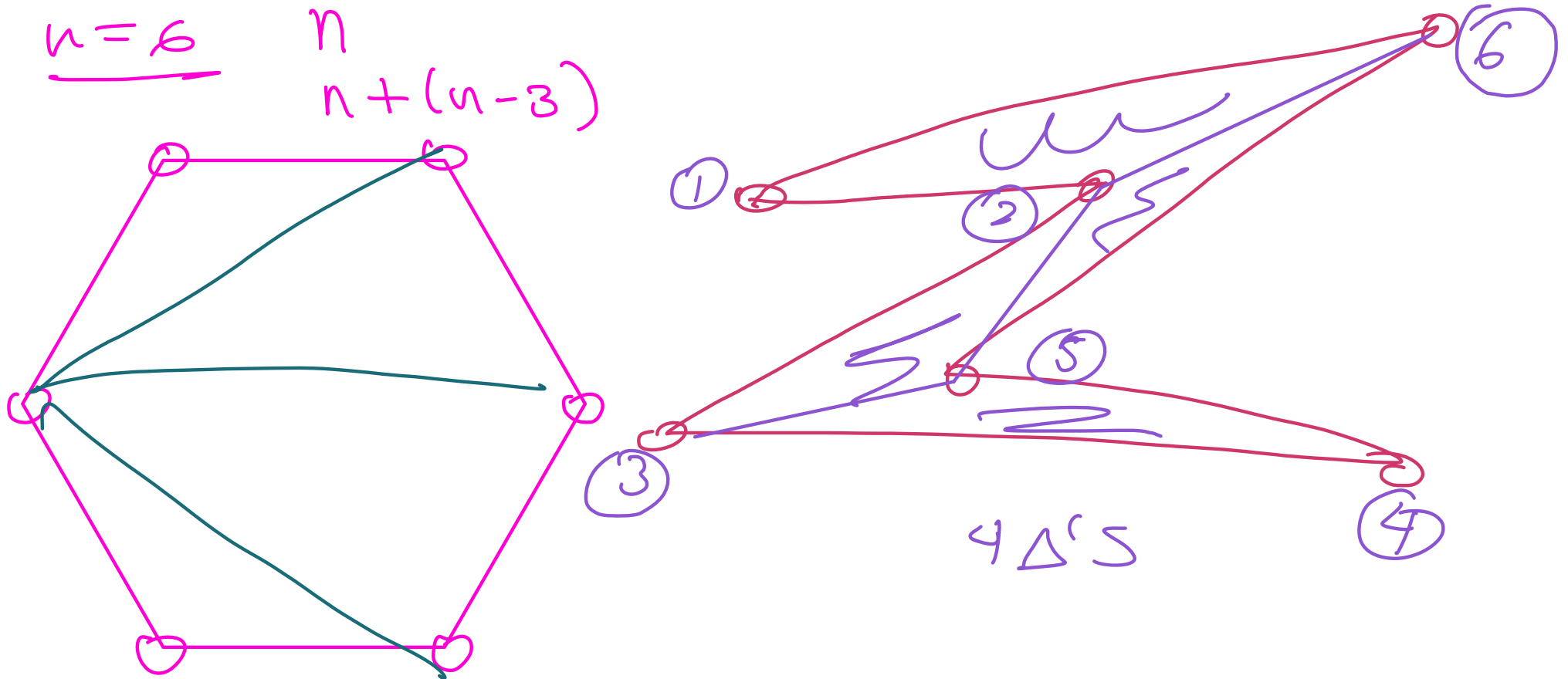
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Teorema. (Identidad de Euler). aplanable

Para cada gráfica conexa con V vértices, E aristas y F caras
Ocorre que:
 $V - E + F = 2$.

Teorema: Si G es una gráfica aplanable con $V \geq 3$ y E aristas, entonces:
 $E \leq 3V - 6$.

Lema. El # de diagonales exteriores en una gráfica plana maximal es $n - 3$.

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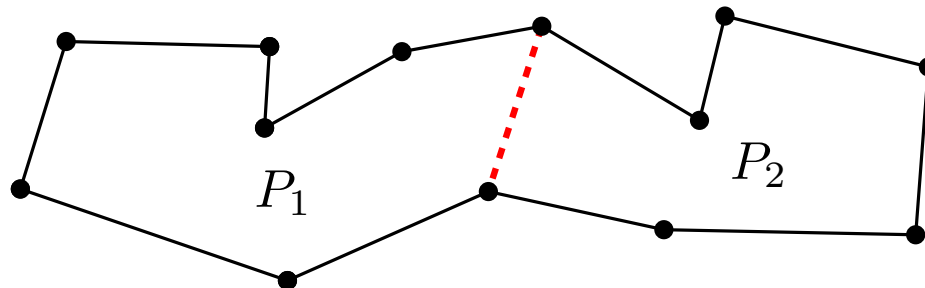
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Inductive step: With the same conditions of the previous proof,

$$\begin{aligned}t_1 &= k + 1 - 2, \\t_2 &= n - k + 1 - 2,\end{aligned}$$

hence,

$$t = t_1 + t_2 = k + 1 - 2 + n - k + 1 - 2 = n - 2.$$



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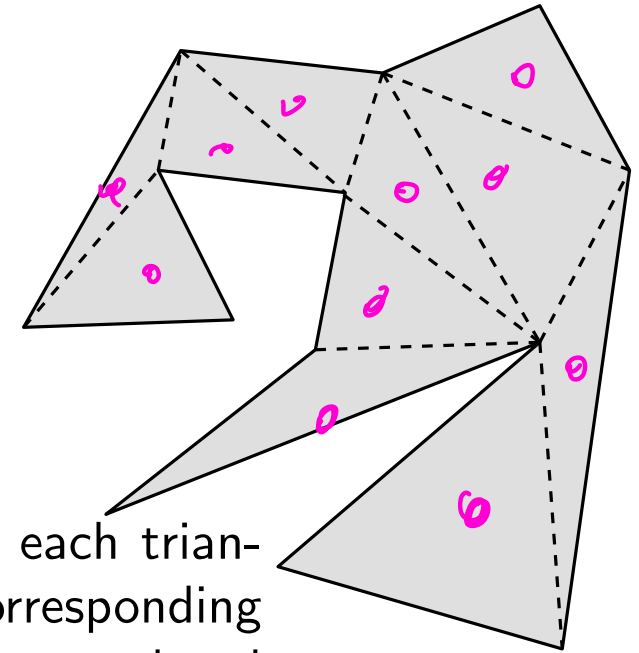
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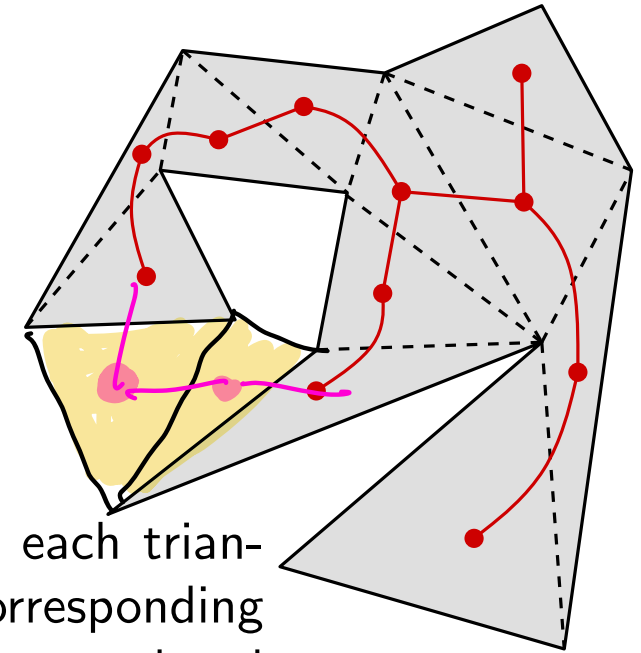
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$V =$ un vértice por cada triángulo
 $E = \{ (v_i, v_j) \mid \text{el triángulo correspond. a } v_i \text{ y el correspond. a } v_j \text{ tienen una diagonal en común} \}$

$$|V| = n - 2 ; |E| = n - 3$$

① conexa
② acíclica. } para demostrar que es un árbol.

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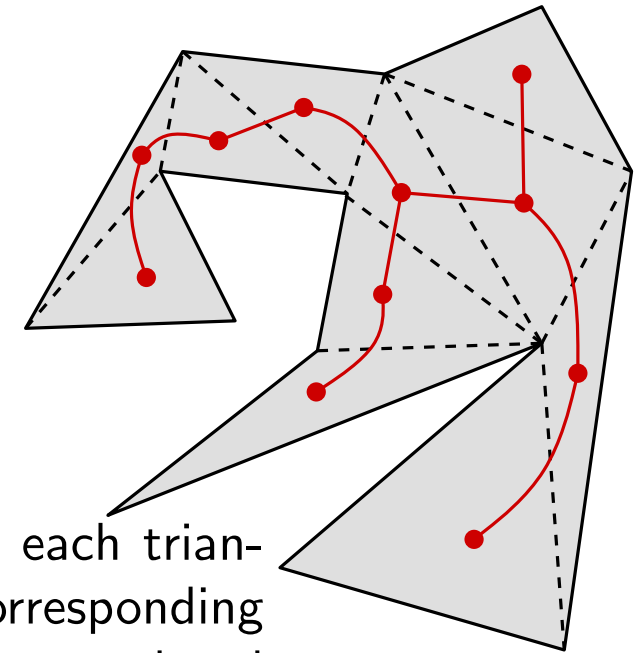
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① conexas \rightarrow desconectado
② acíclica \rightarrow hoyos.

The graph is trivially connected.

About the acyclicity: Notice that each edge of the dual graph “separates” the two endpoints of the internal diagonal of P shared by the two adjacent triangles. If the graph had a cycle, it would enclose the endpoint(s) of the diagonals intersected by the cycle and, therefore, it would enclose points belonging to the boundary of the polygon, contradicting the hypothesis that P is simple and without holes.

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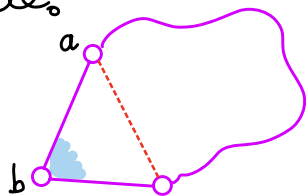
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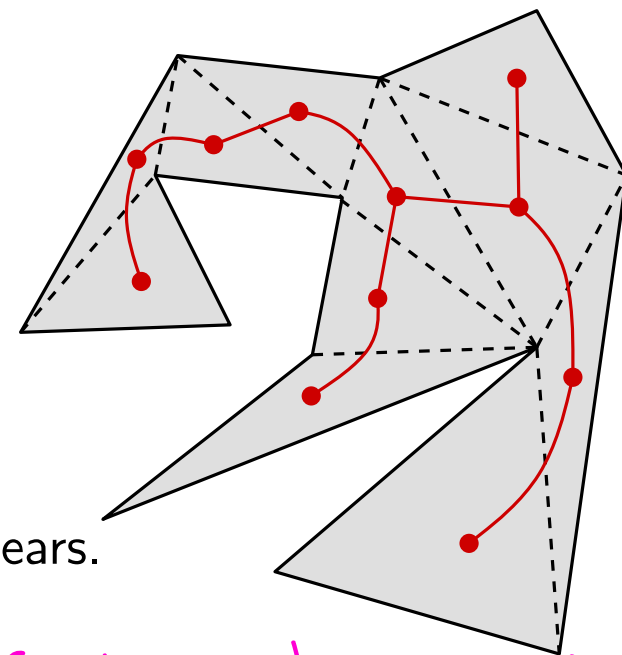
Oreja: Sean a, b, c tres vértices consecutivos de P .
Decimos que a, b, c forman una oreja si \overline{ac} es una diagonal.



al remover el Δ el polígono no se desconecta.

\overline{ab} y \overline{bc} son aristas del polígono

Bastaría con demostrar que todo árbol tiene al menos 2 hojas.



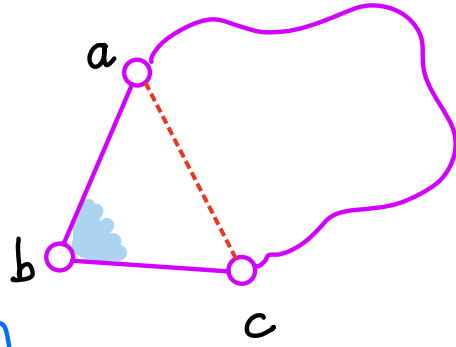
vértice de grado 1 = hoja.

En la gráfica dual corresp. a hojas.

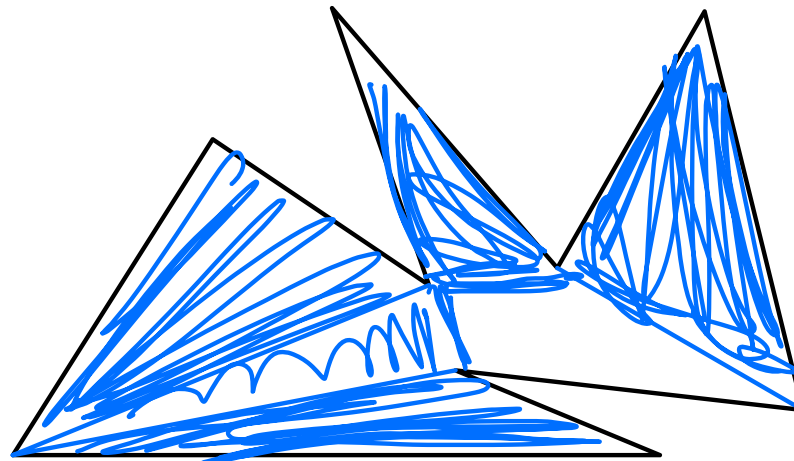
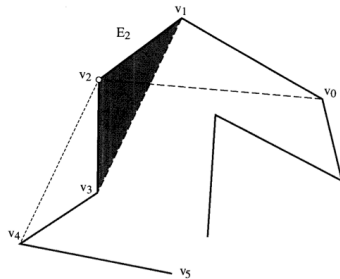
ALGORITHMS FOR POLYGON TRIANGULATION

TRIANGULATING POLYGONS

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- ① no cruza
- ② está en el exterior
- ③ Removerla separa el polígono en un Δ y un polígono de $n-1$ vértices.



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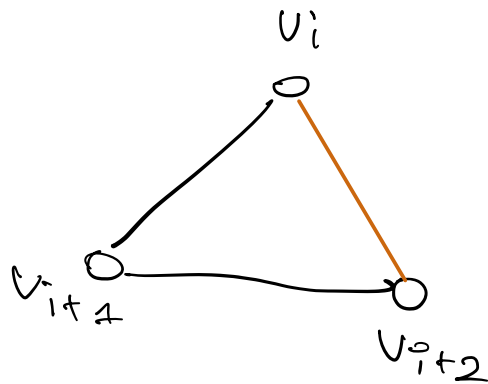
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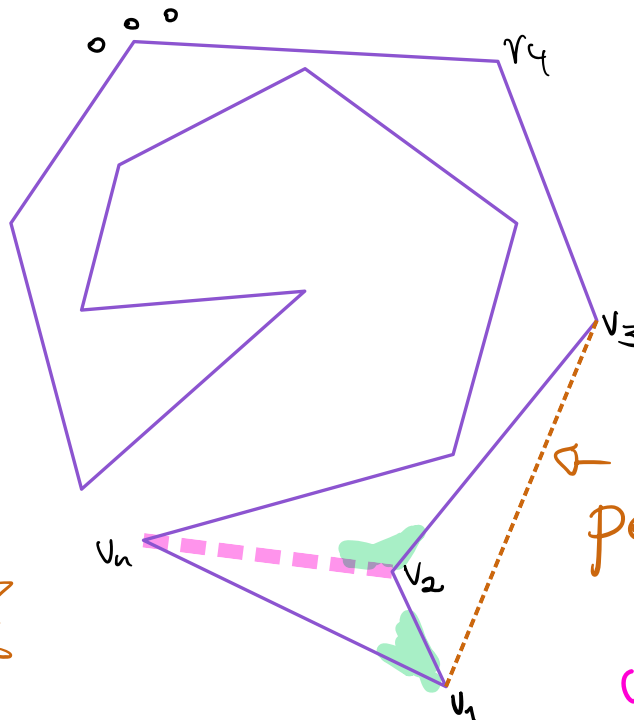
Procedure

1. **Sequentially** explore the vertices until you find an ear
2. Crop it
3. Proceed recursively

únicas tercias a verificar.



$\circ (v_i, v_{i+2})$ es diagonal?
mod n



\circ \times es convexo
 $O(n)$

\circ $O(n)$ para determinarse si es diagonal

\hookrightarrow Revisar todas las aristas del polígono.

\circ (v_3, v_1) es diag. pero no es interior.

no ocurre por la elección de v_i, v_{i-1}, v_{i+1} .

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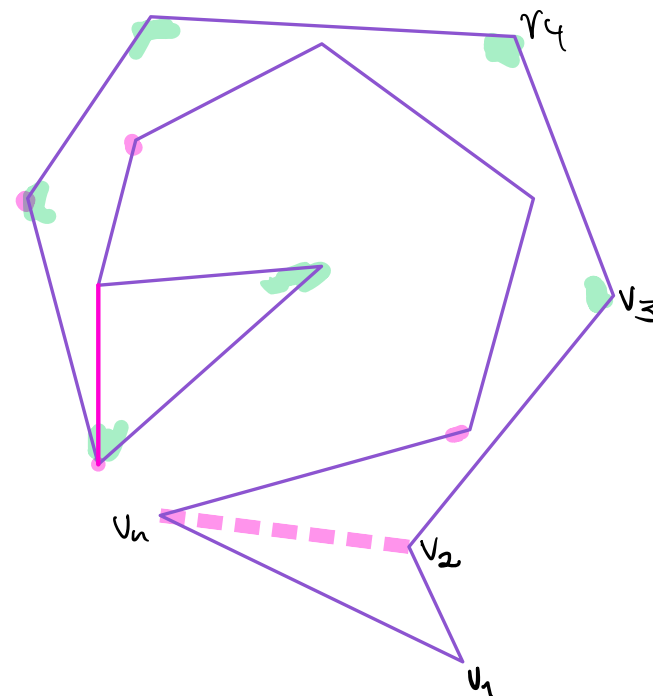
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Overall running time:

$$T(n) = O(n^2) + O((n-1)^2) + O((n-2)^2) + \dots + O(1) = O(n^3).$$

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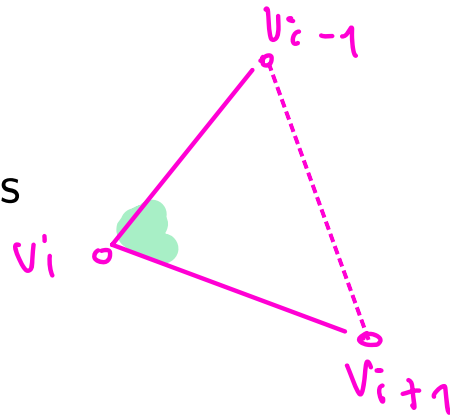
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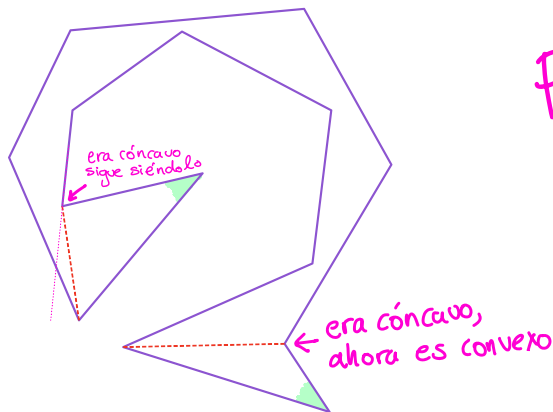
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2. Detect all ears

Next step

1. Crop an ear
2. Update the information of the **convex vertices**
3. Update the information of the ears



- los únicos ángulos afectados son el \angle con ápice en v_{i-1} y con ápice en v_{i+1} .
- Si v_{i-1} (v_{i+1}) era convexo sigue siendo convexo.
- Si v_{i-1} (v_{i+1}) era cóncavo podría ser ahora convexo.



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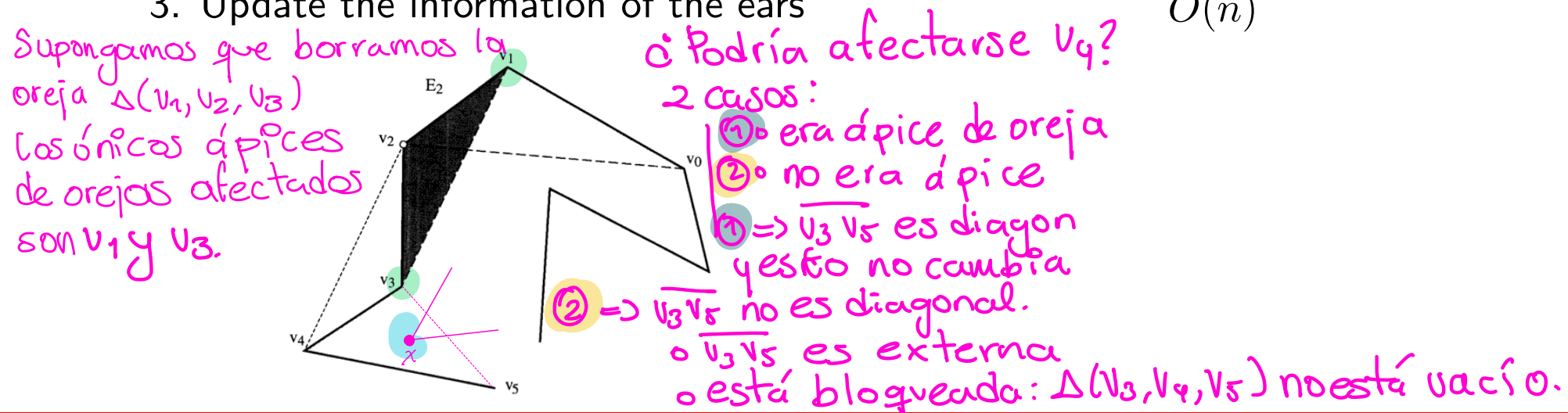
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1. Crop an ear
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Running time

$O(n)$
 $O(n^2)$ Only once

$O(1)$
 $O(1)$ $O(n)$ times
 $O(n)$



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```

$\Delta(v_3, v_4, v_5)$ está bloqueada: $\Delta(v_3, v_4, v_5)$ no está vacío.
Sea x el punto en el interior de $\Delta(v_3, v_4, v_5)$. x es de hecho un ángulo cóncavo. Por lo tanto no podría ocurrir que x fuera eliminado al remover la oreja (borramos un ángulo cóncavo).

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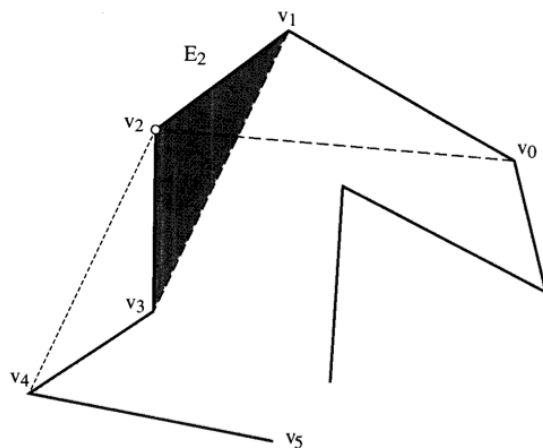
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 $O(n^2)$ Only once

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```
Algorithm: TRIANGULATION
Initialize the ear tip status of each vertex.
while  $n > 3$  do
  Locate an ear tip  $v_2$ .
  Output diagonal  $v_1 v_3$ .
  Delete  $v_2$ .
  Update the ear tip status of  $v_1$  and  $v_3$ .
```

Algorithm 1.1 Triangulation algorithm.

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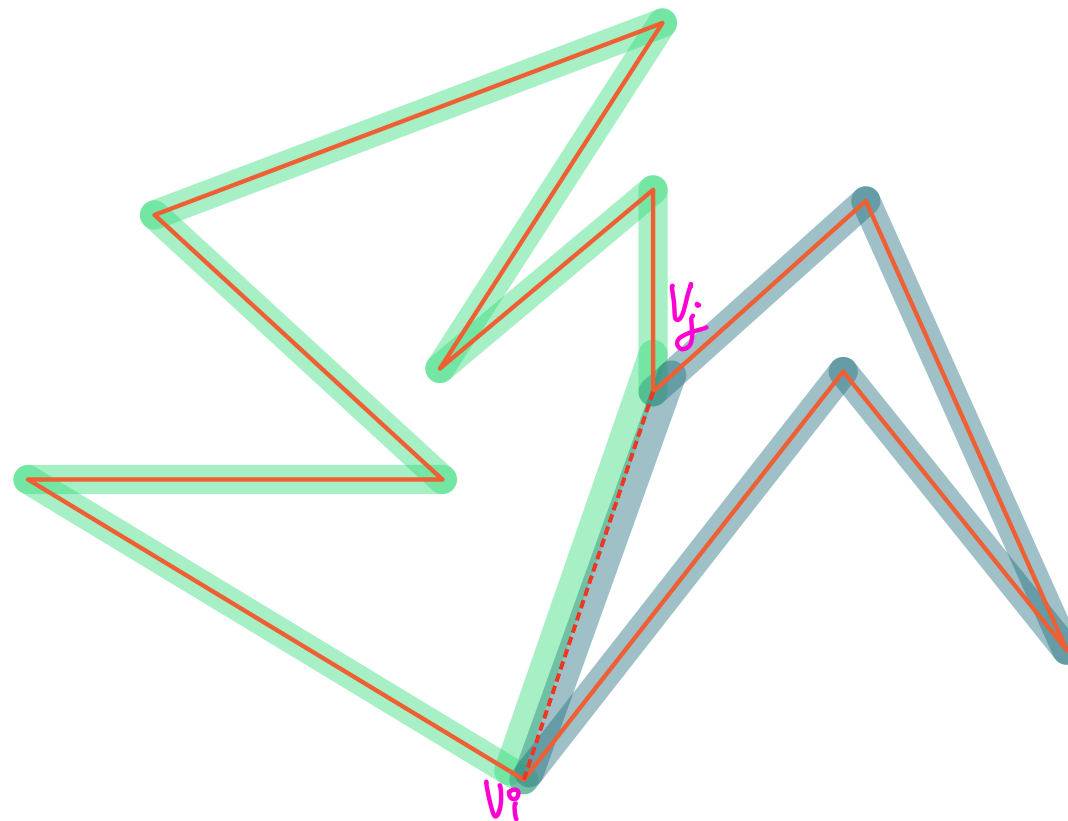
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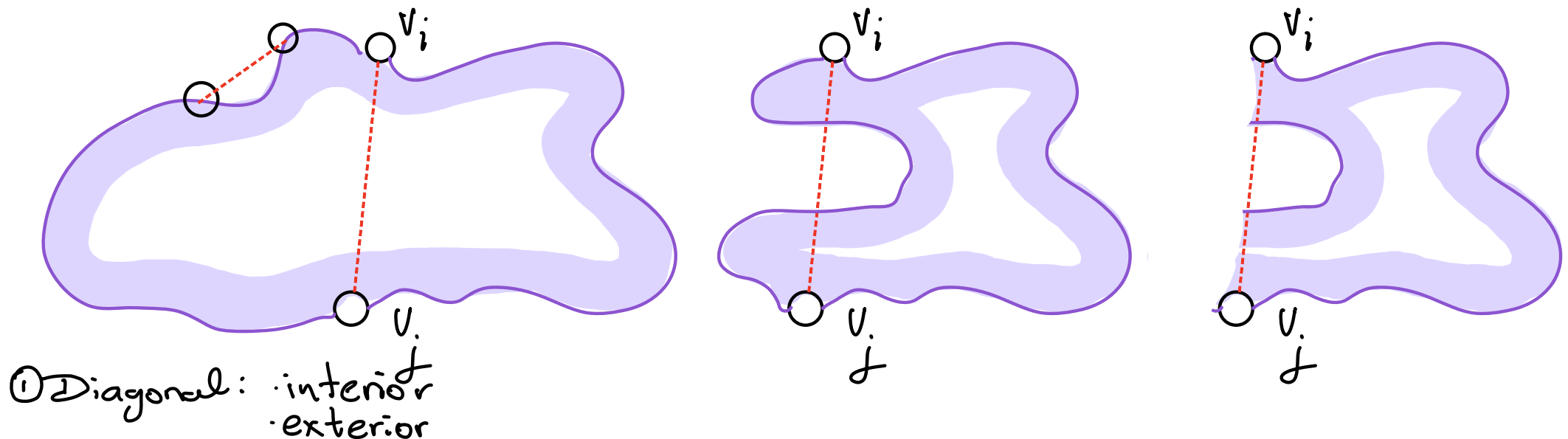
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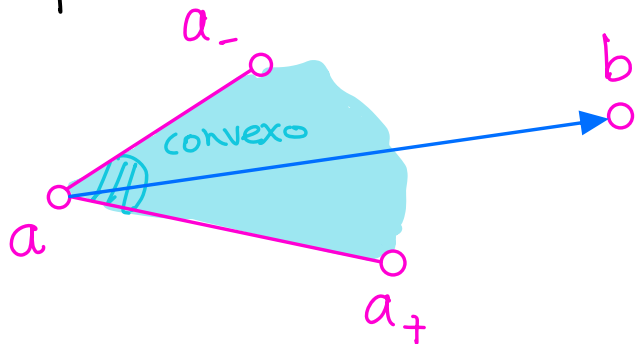
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Is it internal?

Note: que en este caso $v_i v_j$ no necesariamente son consecutivos

¿Cómo podemos determinar si es diagonal interior? (antes sí).



*si a es convexo, ab es interior si:
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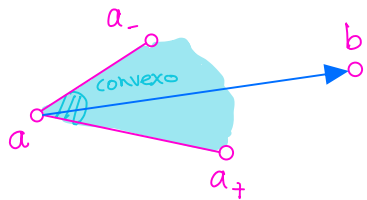
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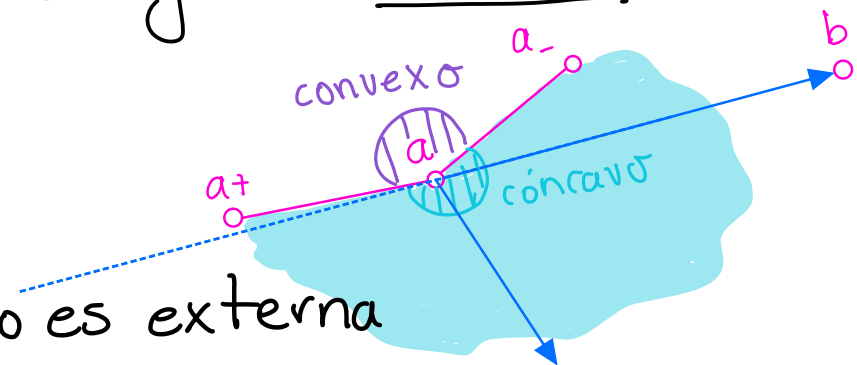
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• ab es interna si no es externa



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Lema El segmento $s = v_i v_j$ es una diagonal interior de P
iff:

① \nexists aristas e de P que nos son adyacentes a v_i ni a v_j
 $s \cap e = \emptyset$

② s es interna a P en una vecindad de v_i y de v_j .

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        return Left( a->v, b->v, a0->v )
            && Left( b->v, a->v, a1->v );

    /* Else a is reflex: */
    return !( LeftOn( a->v, b->v, a1->v )
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Code 1.11 InCone.

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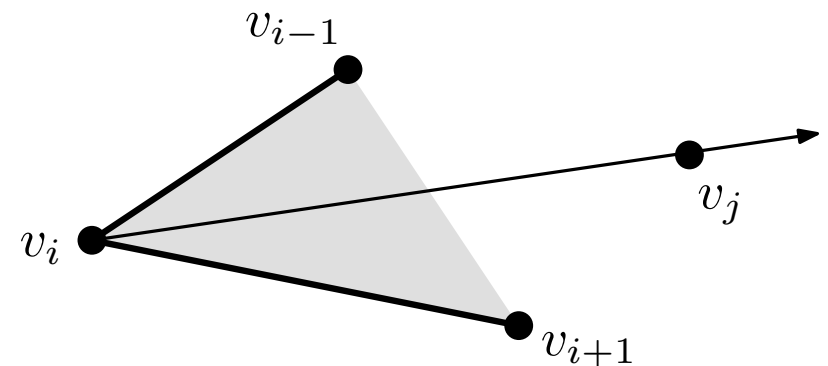
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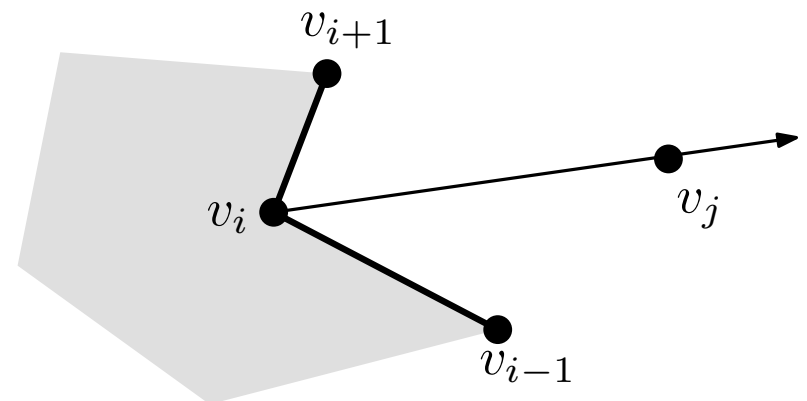
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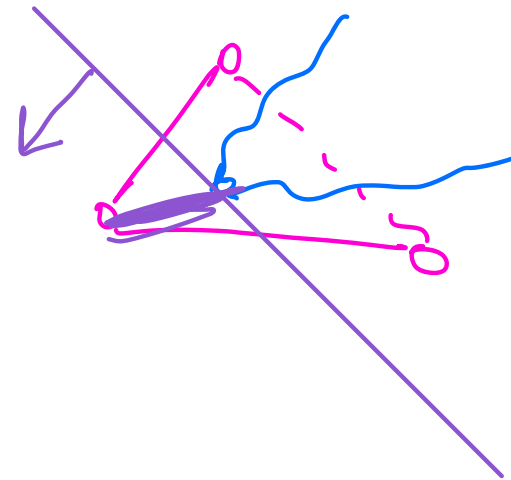
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Testing each candidate takes $O(n)$ time, and there are $\binom{n}{2}$ of them.

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Applying previous results:

1. Find a convex vertex, v_i .
2. Detect whether $v_{i-1} v_{i+1}$ is an internal diagonal.
3. If so, report it.

Else, find the farthest v_k from the segment $v_{i-1} v_{i+1}$, lying in the triangle $v_{i-1} v_i v_{i+1}$.

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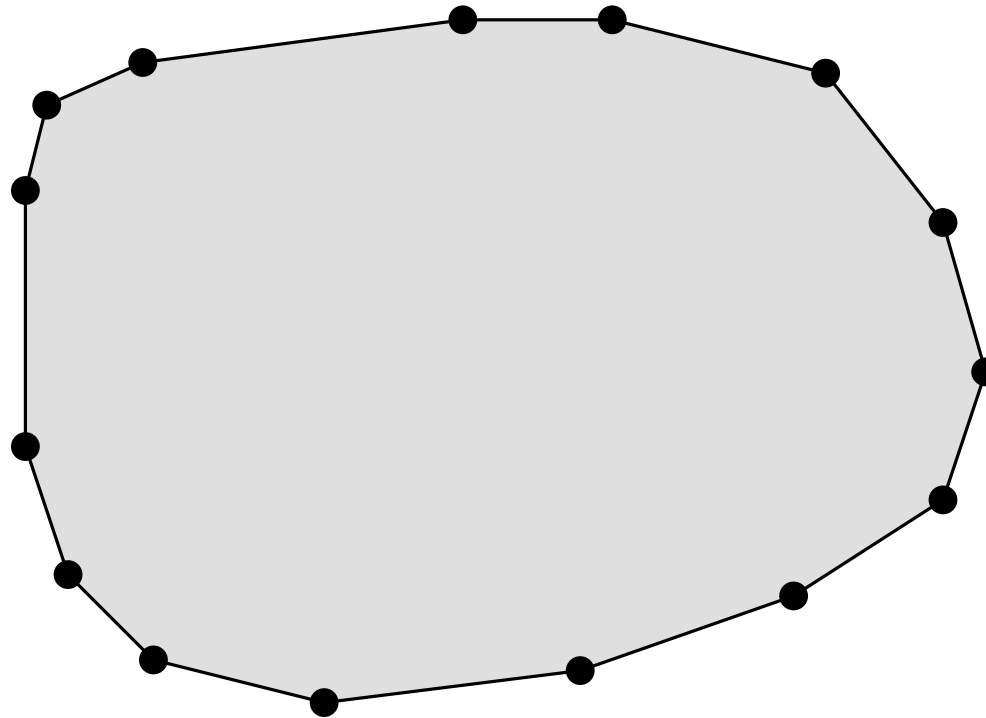
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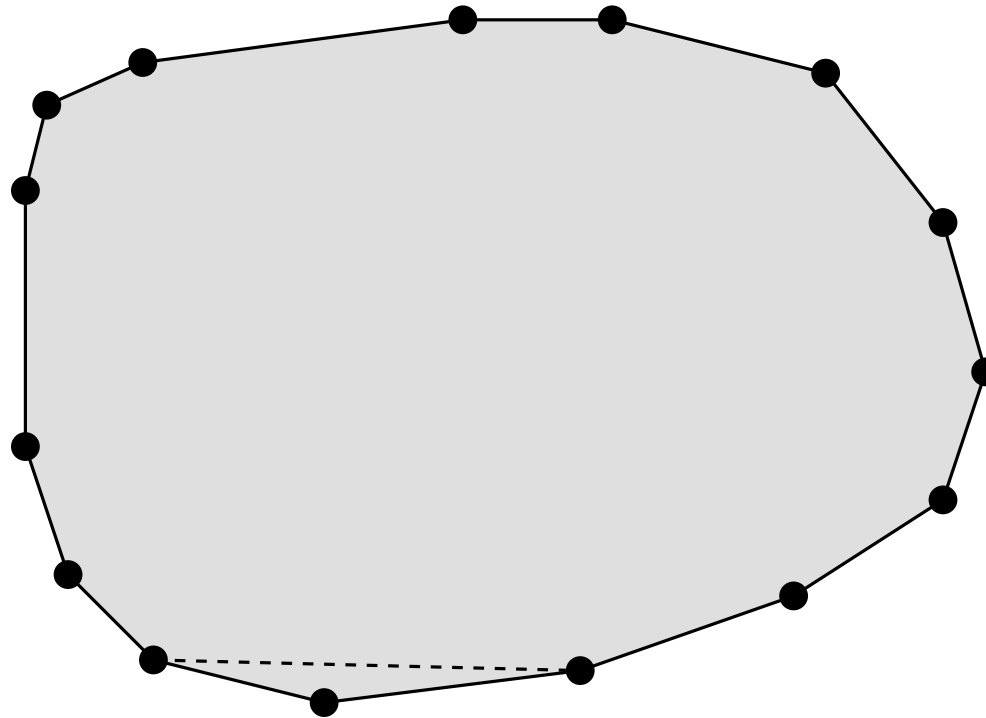


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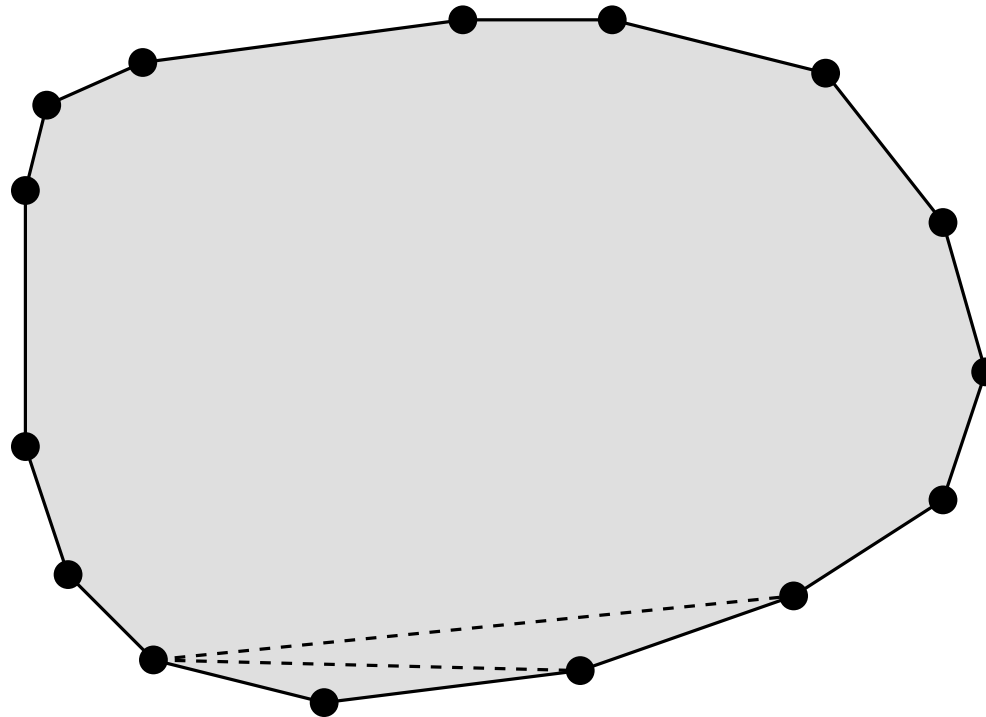


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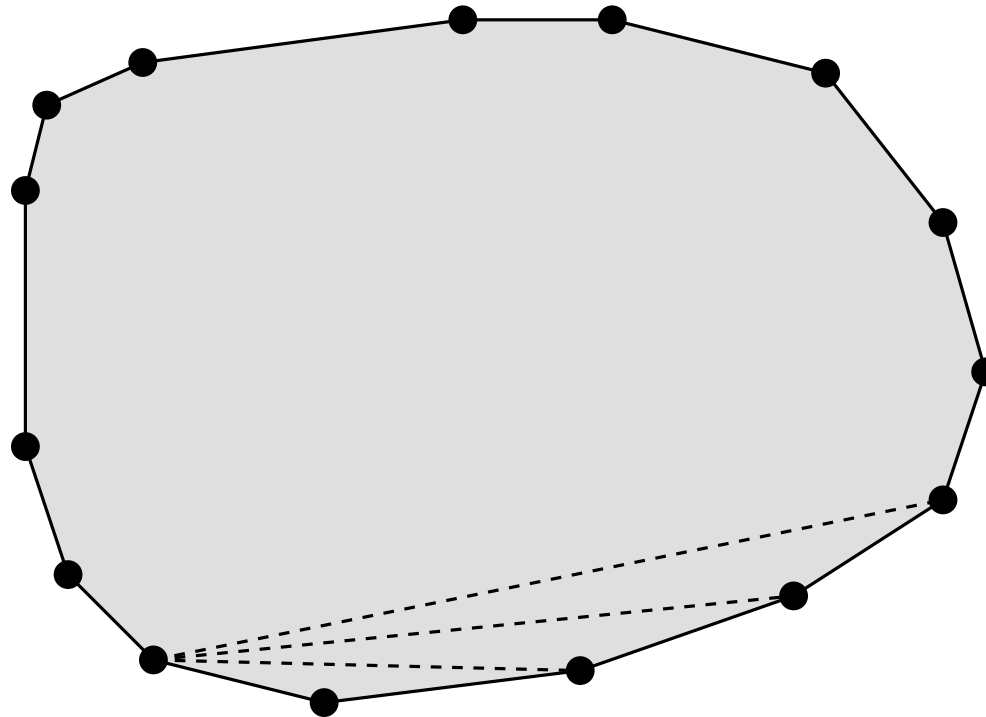


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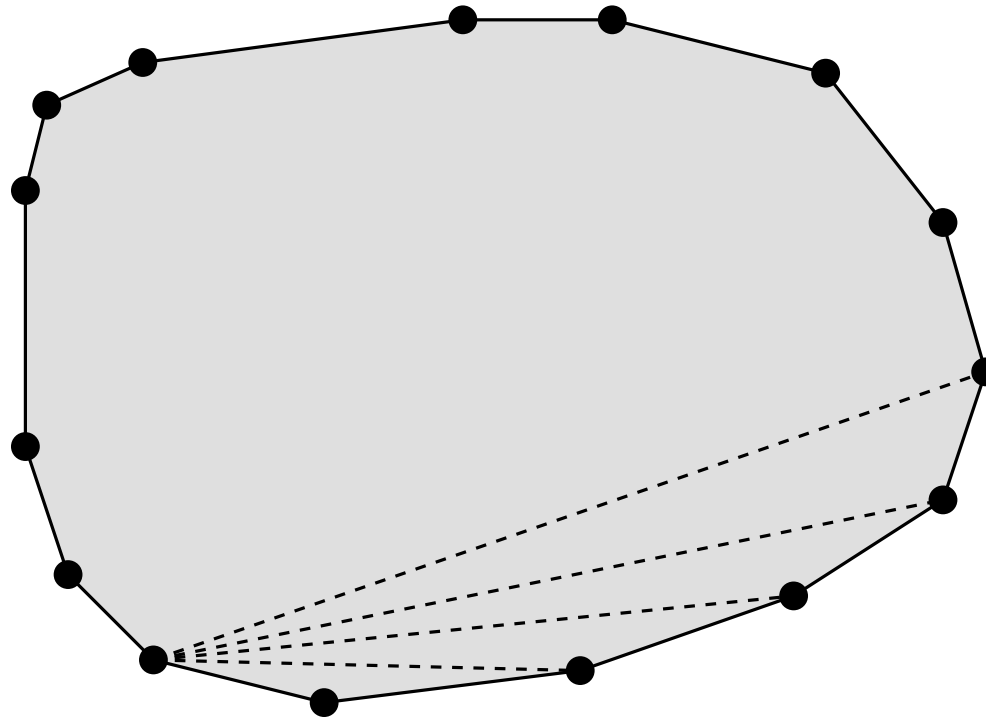


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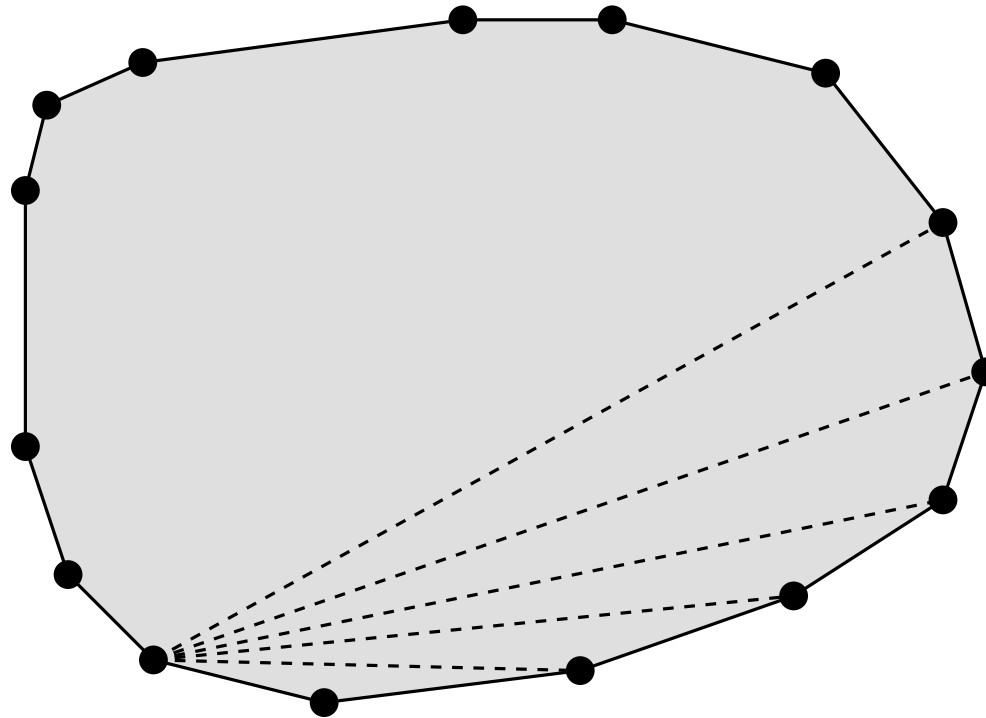


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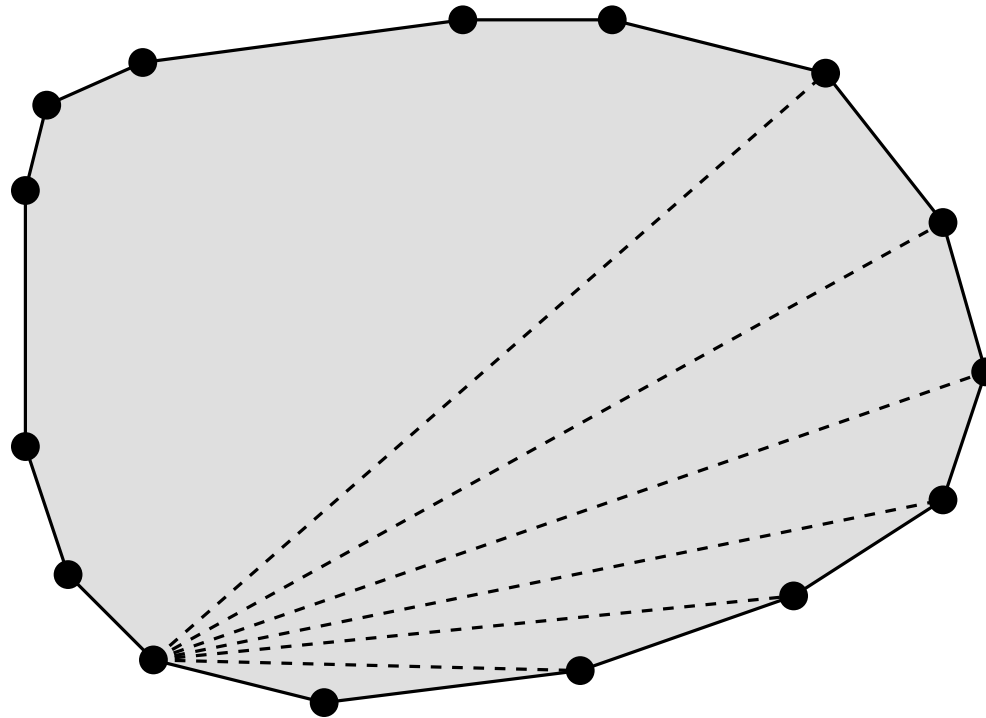


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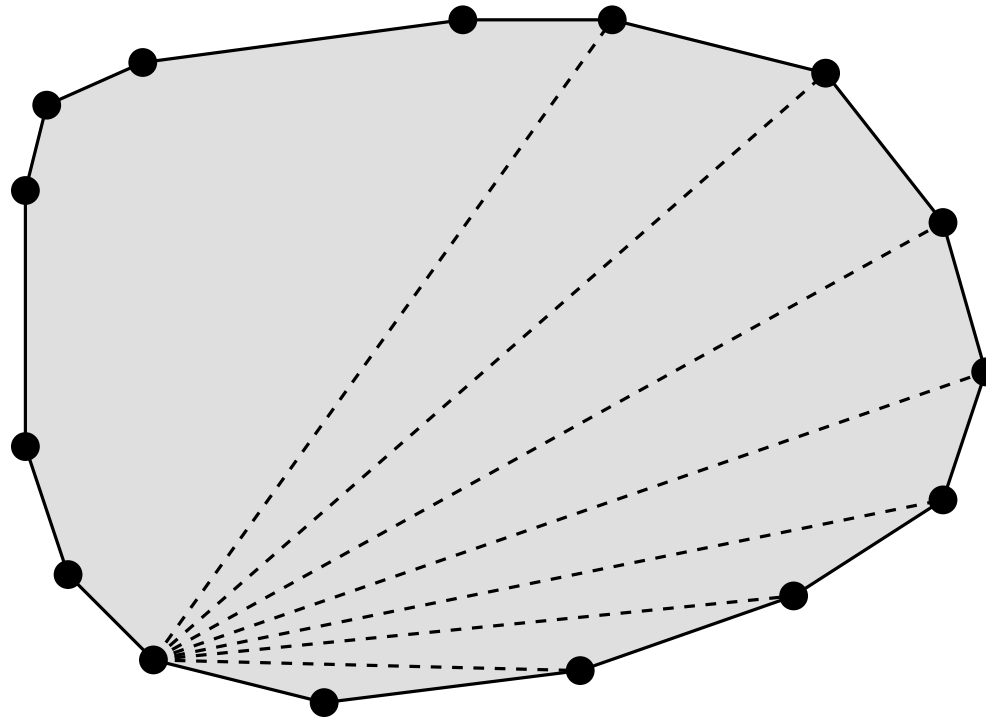


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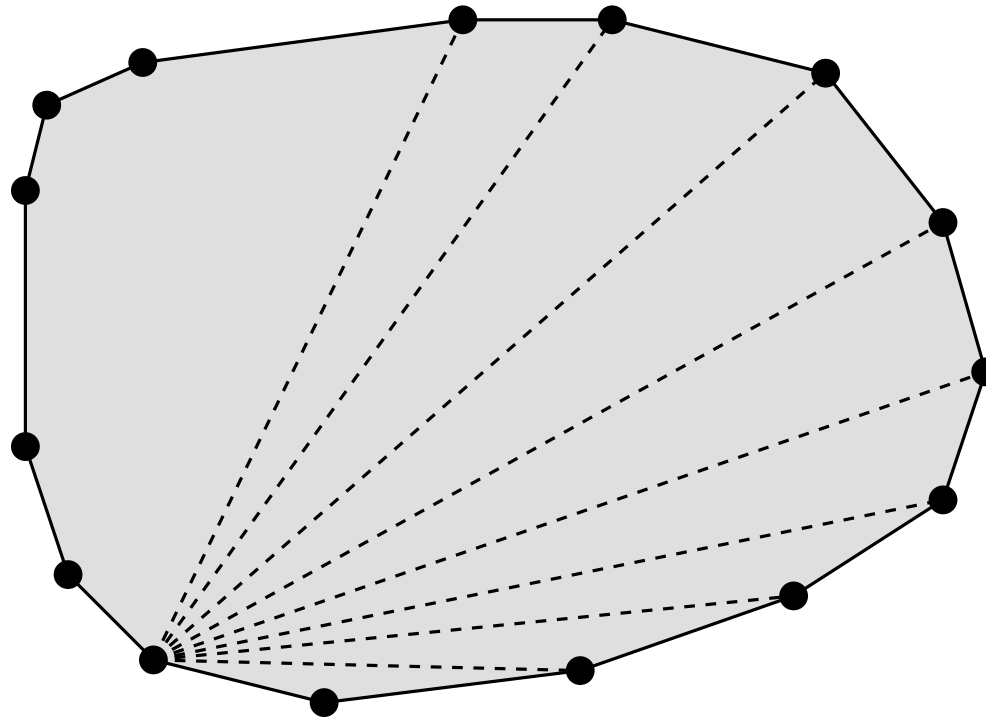


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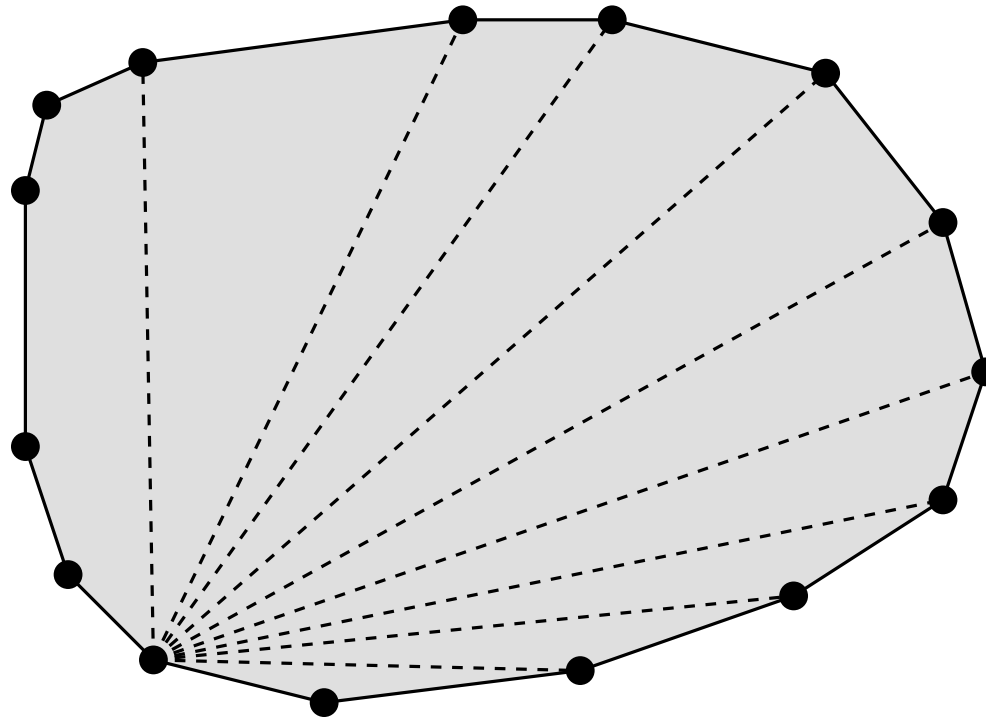


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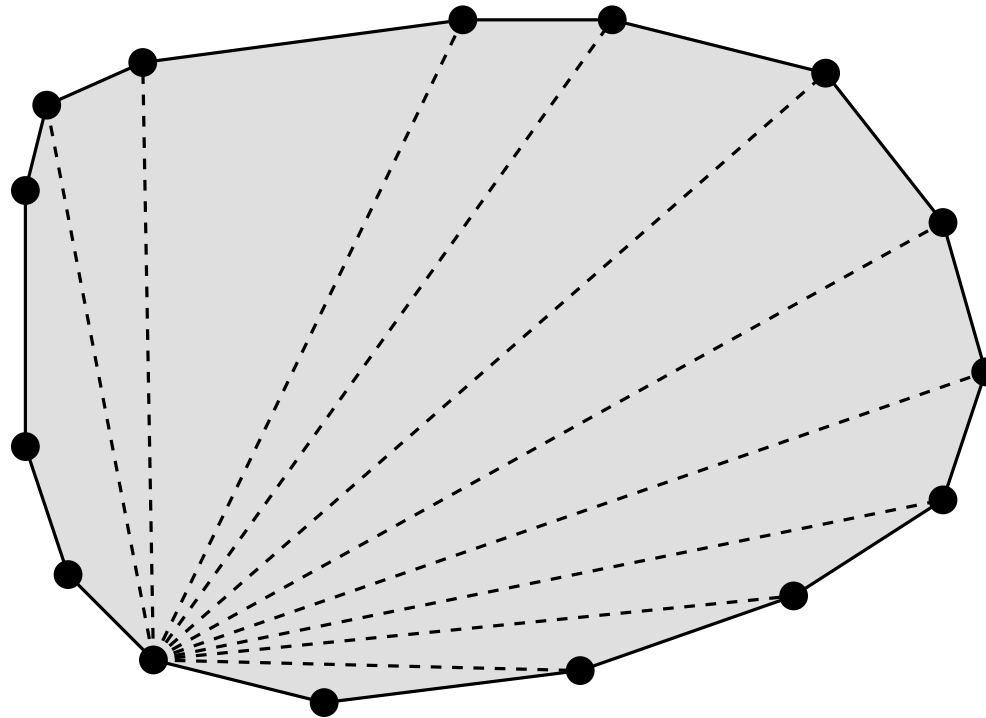


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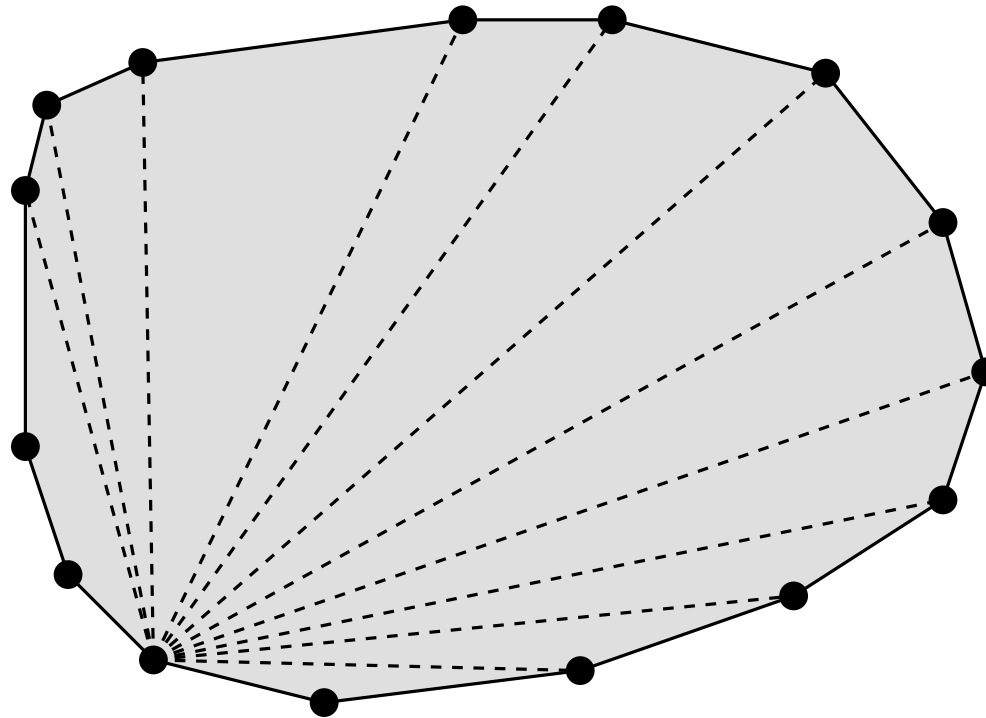


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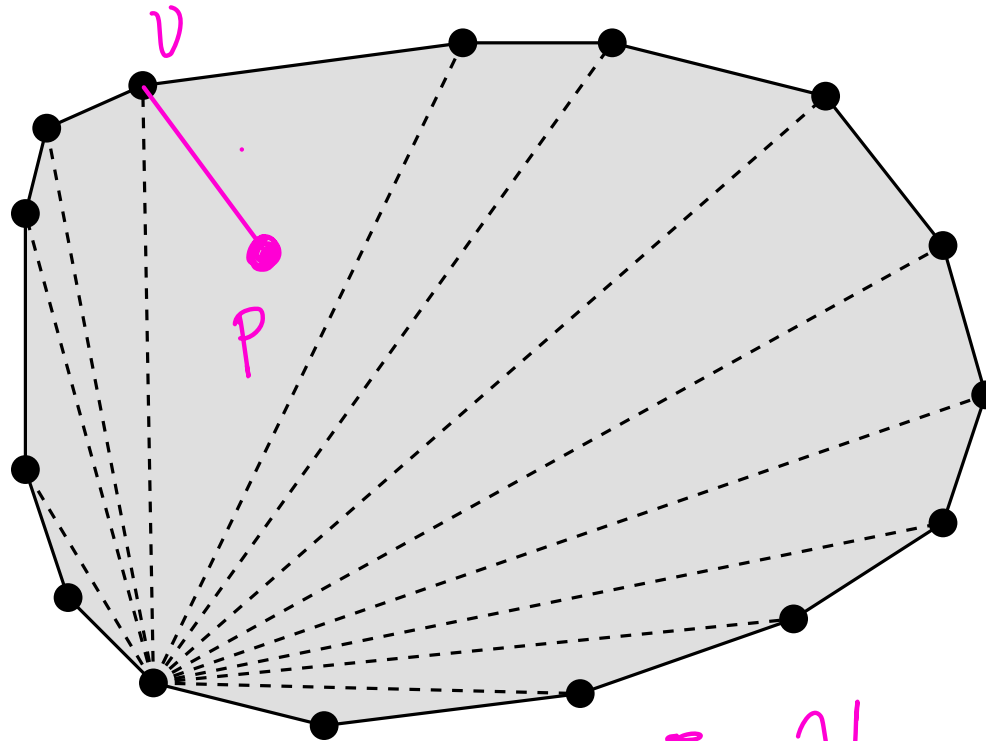


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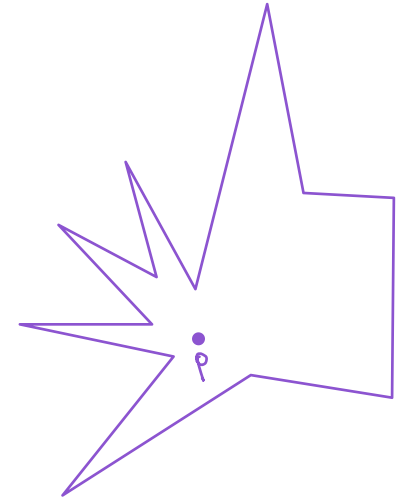
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It can also be done in $O(n)$ time. In the following we will see how.

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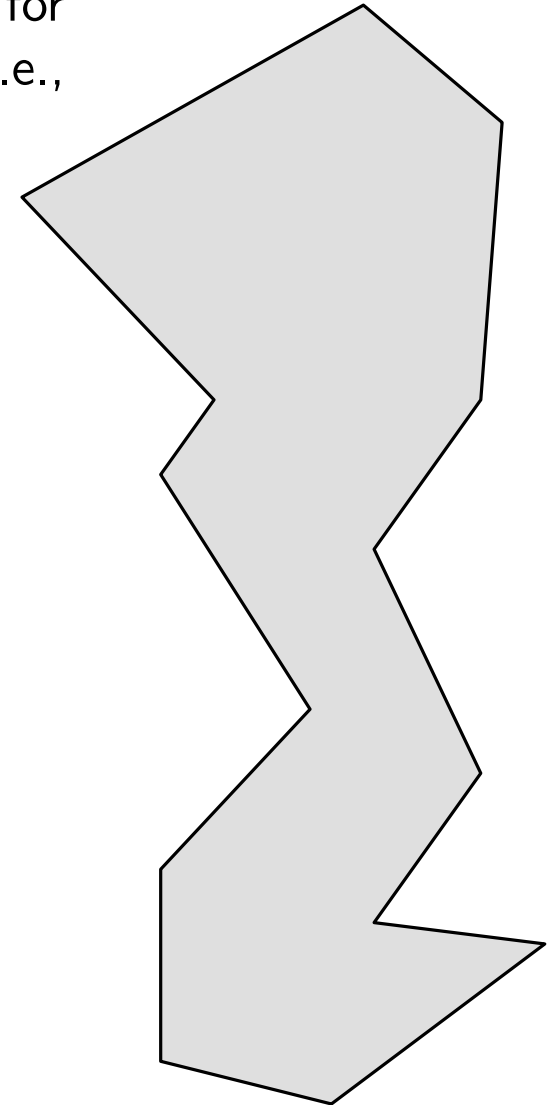
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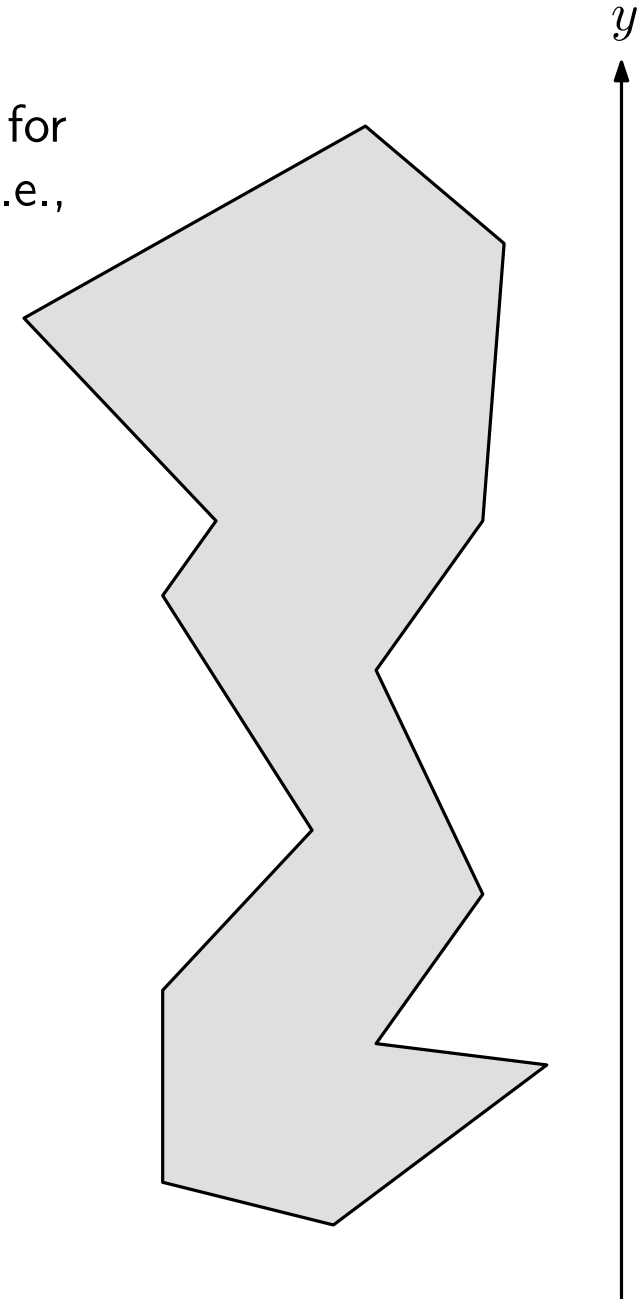
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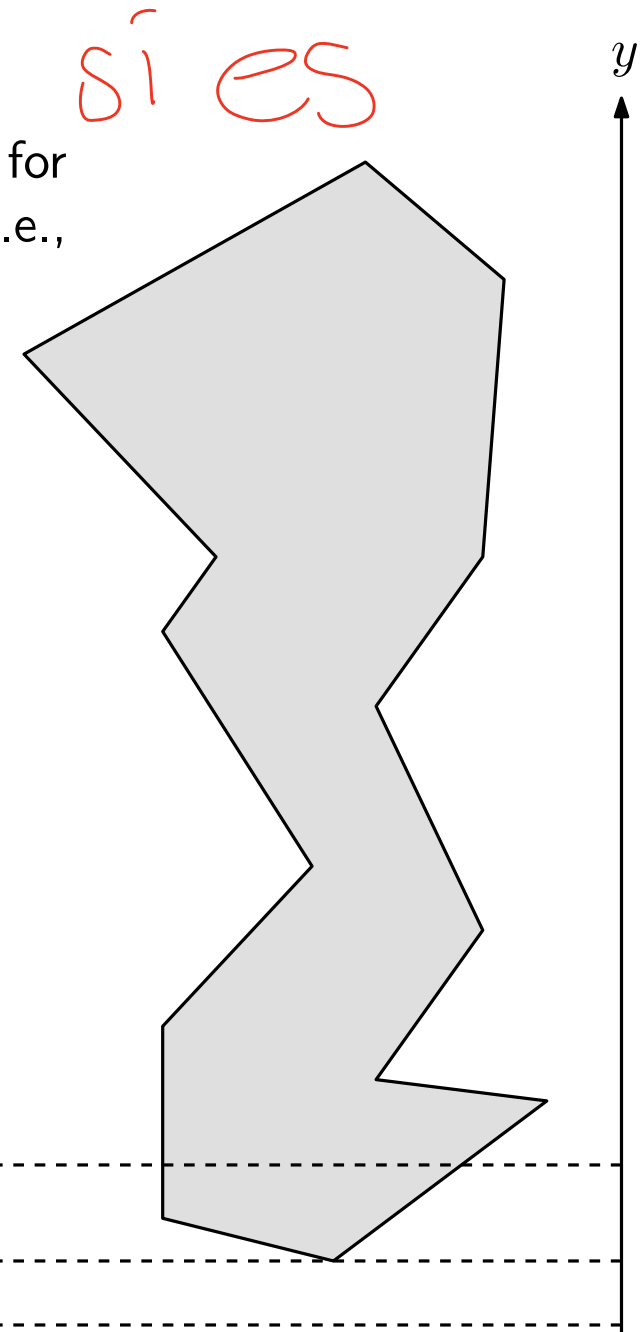
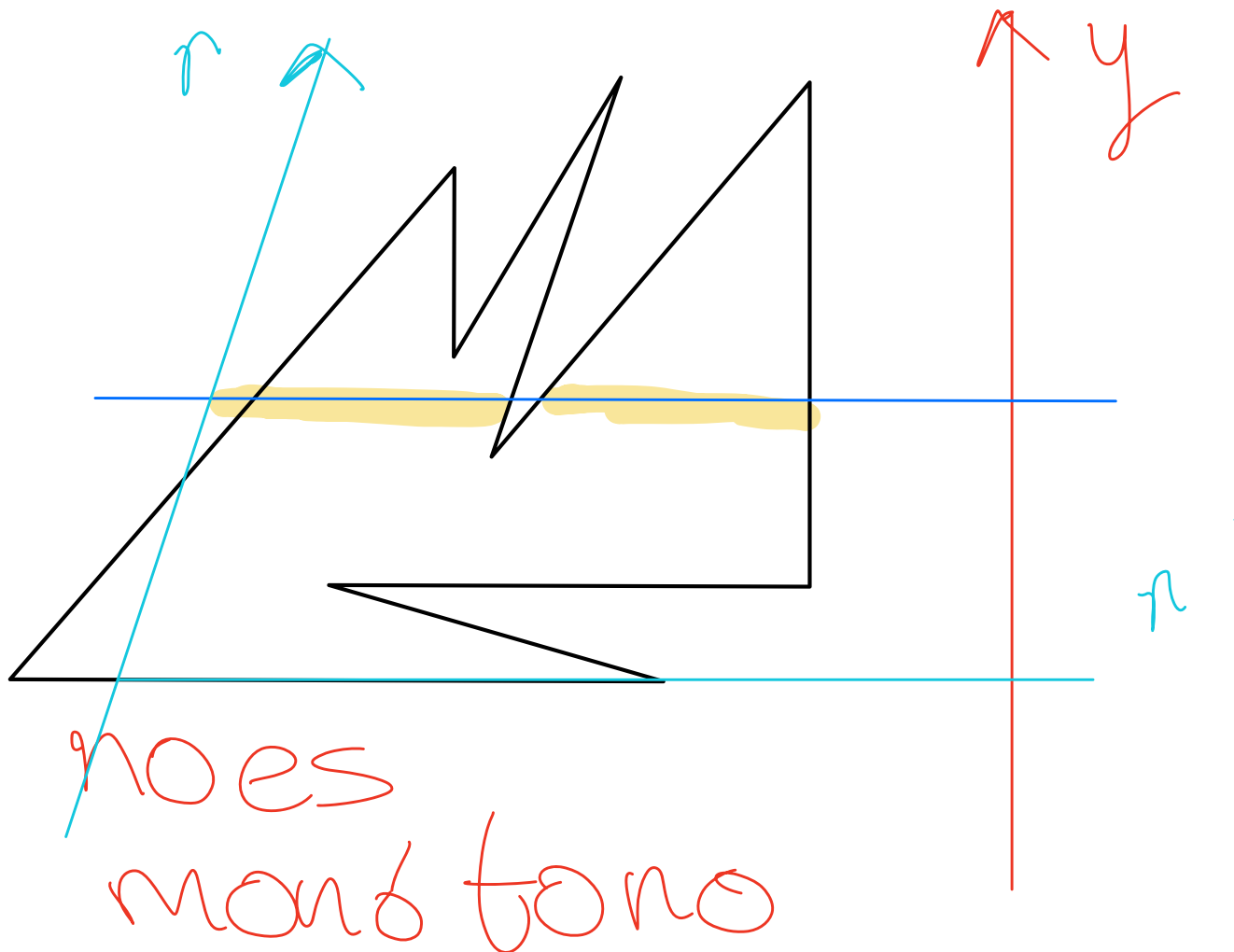
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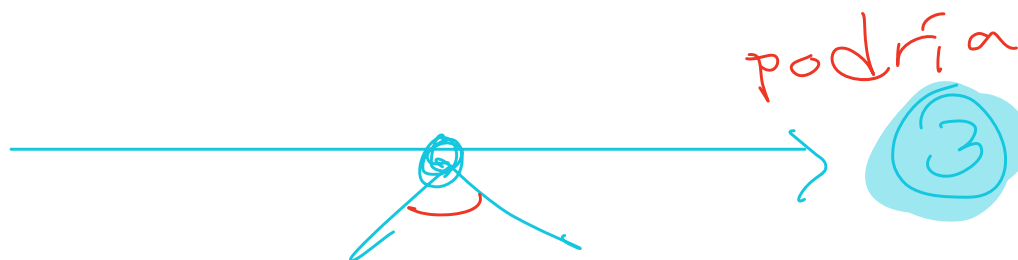
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Dado un vértice  y una recta horizontal  :

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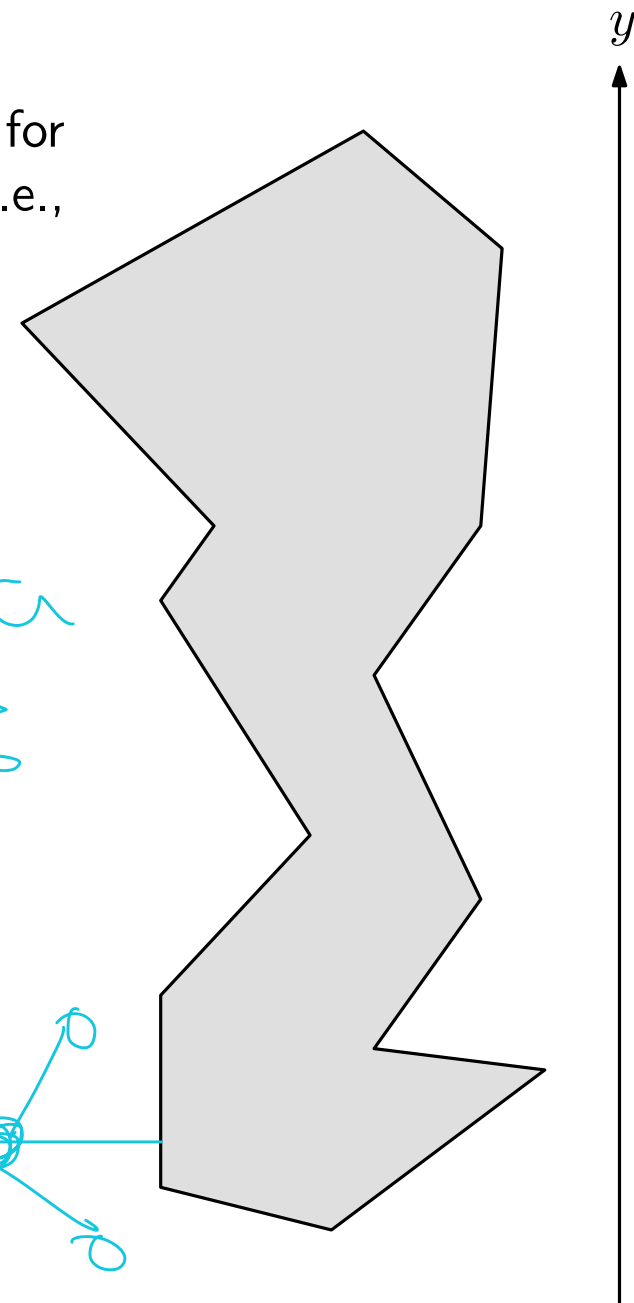
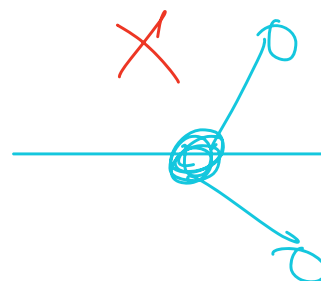


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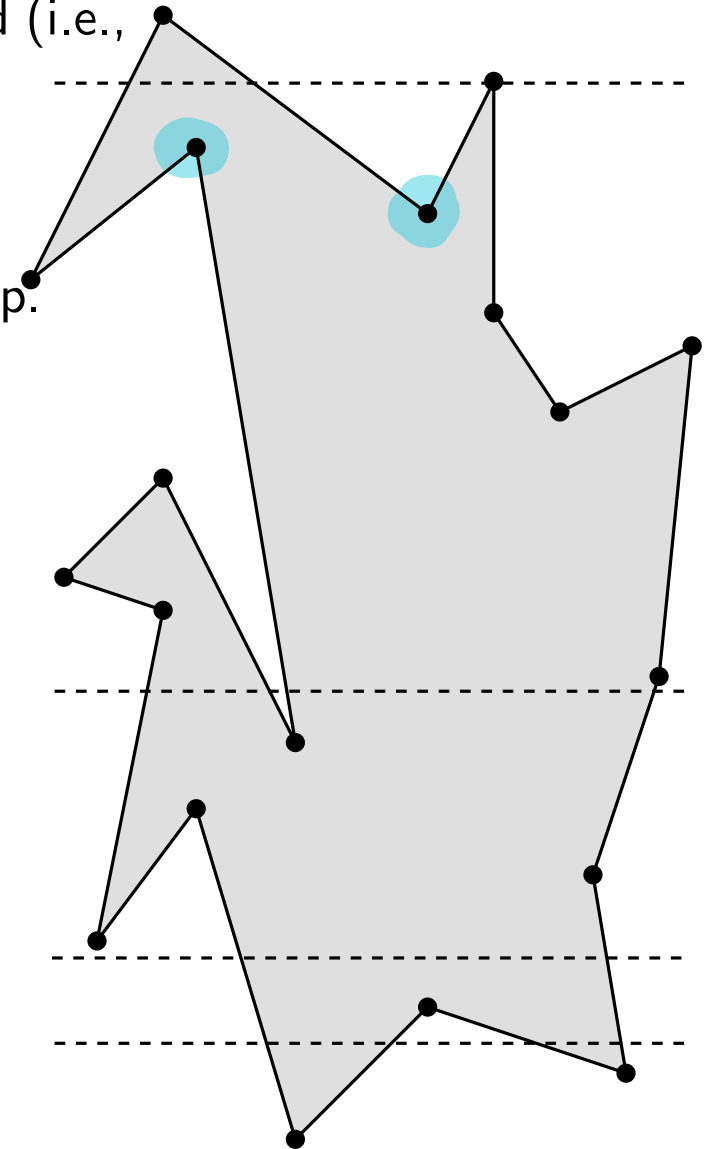
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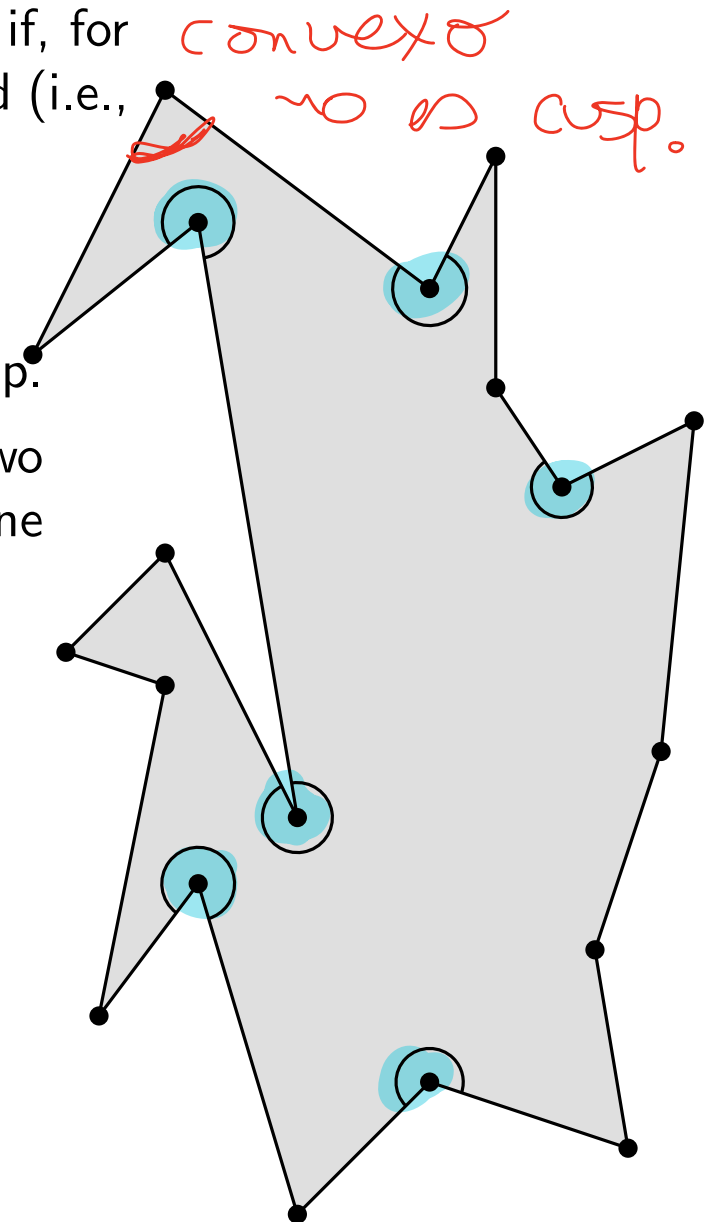
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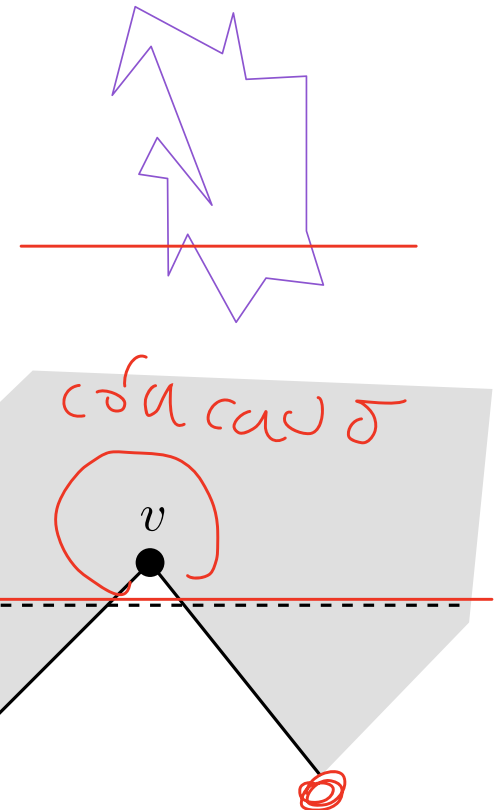
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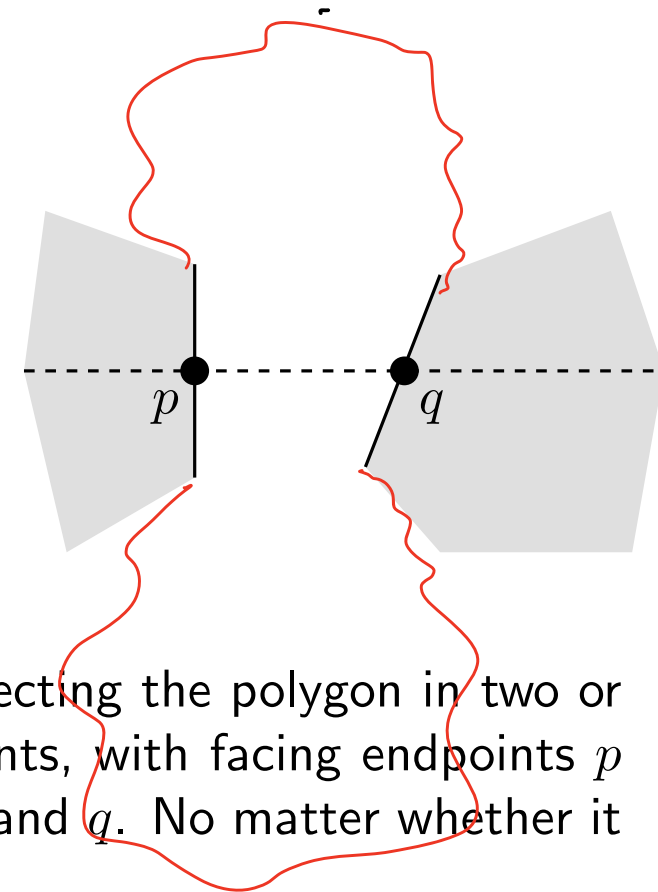
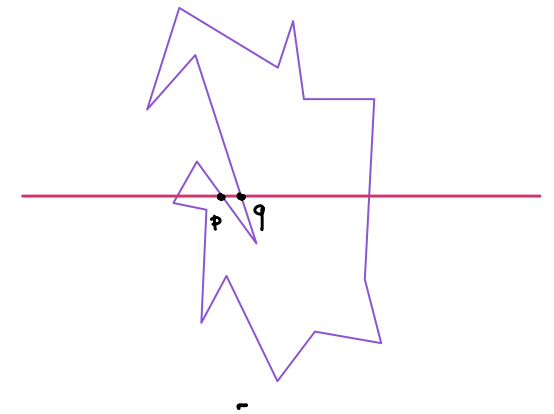
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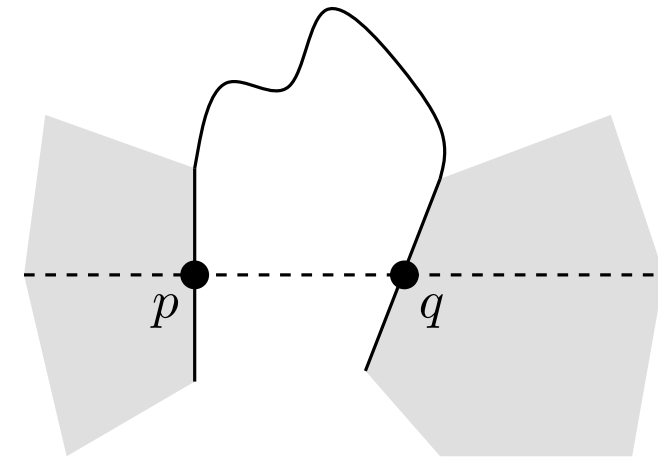
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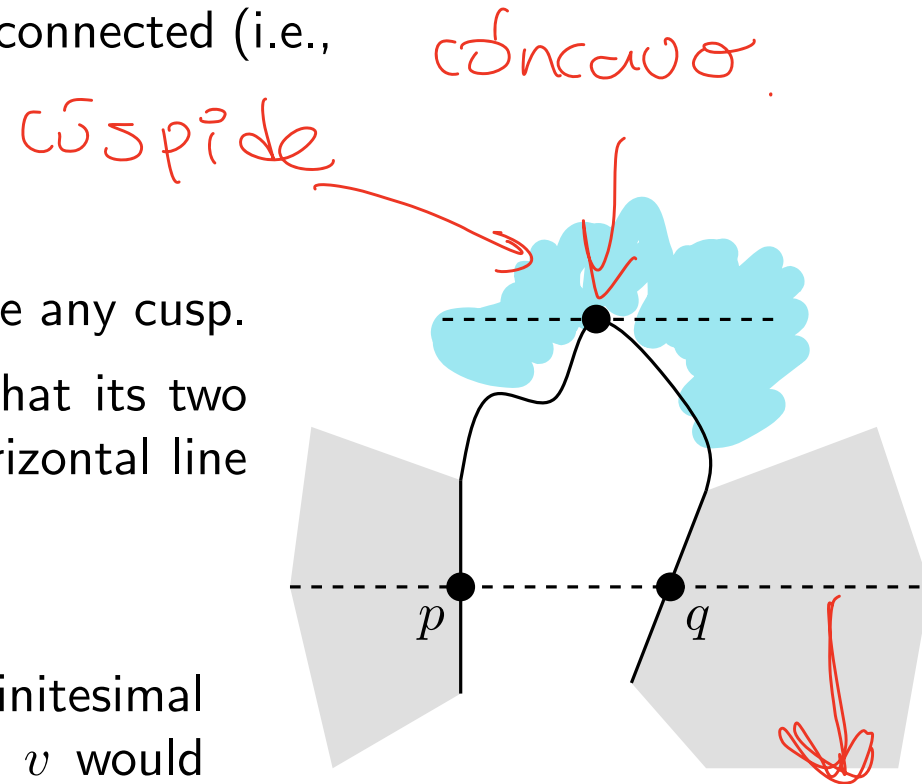
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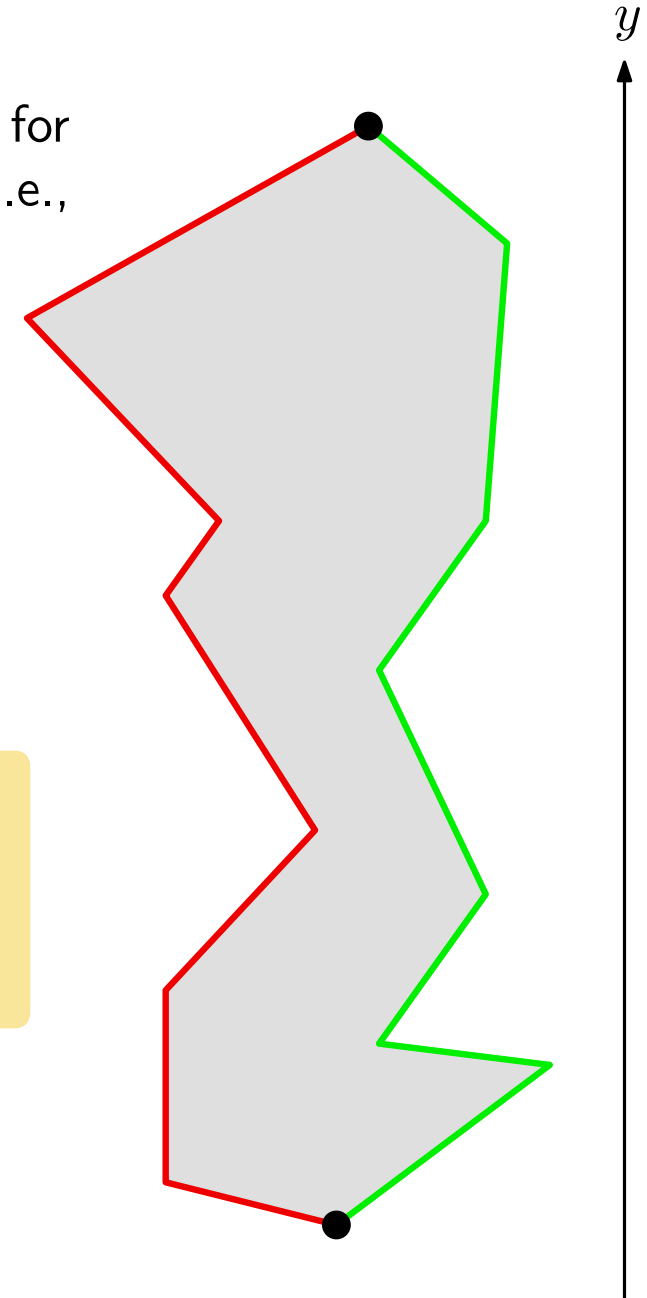
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If a polygon is y -monotone, then it can be decomposed into two y -monotone non intersecting chains sharing their endpoints.



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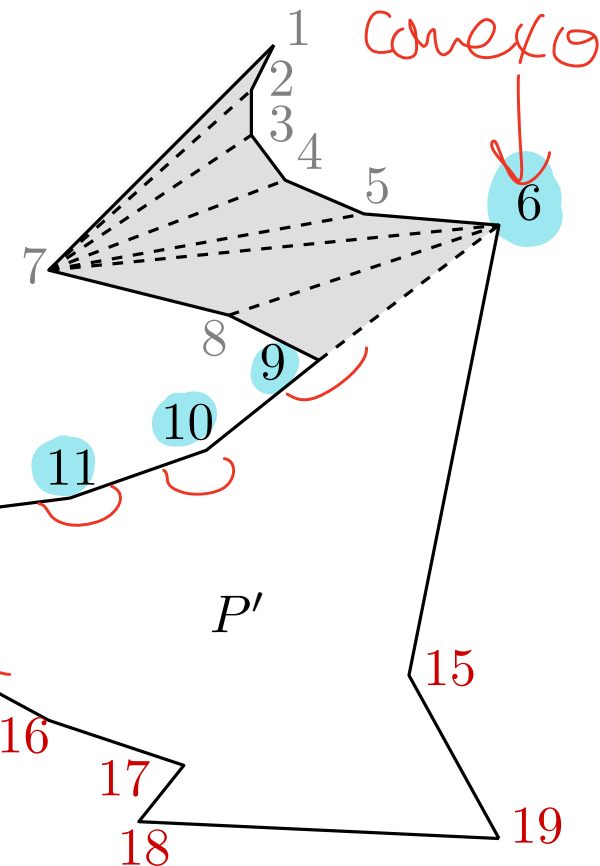
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- All the remaining vertices in Q are reflex.
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Q es una cola que contiene vértices.

Vértices que ya exploré pero que aún no descarté o todavía necesitando diagonales.

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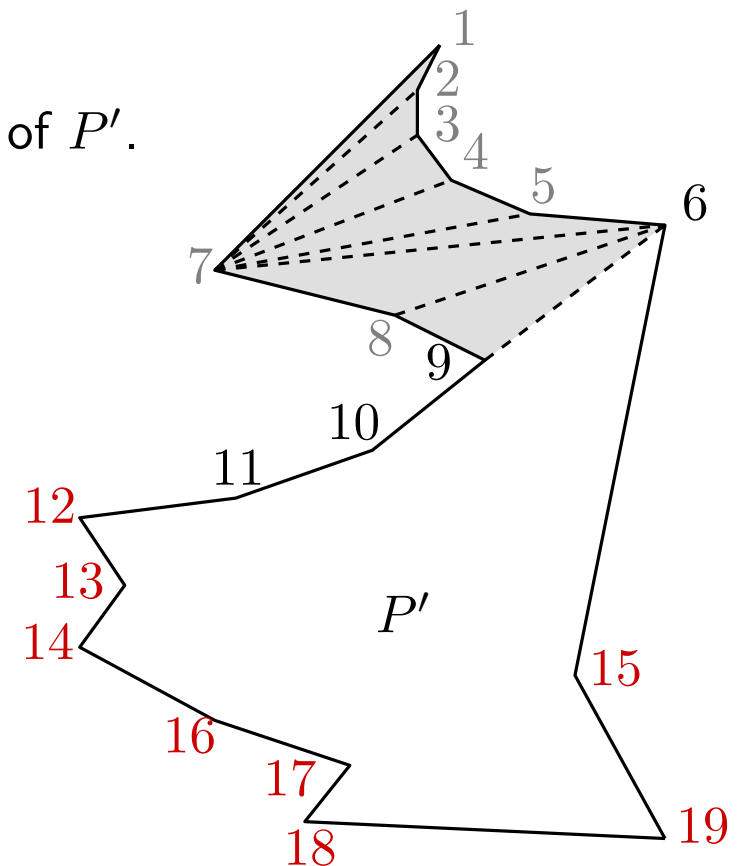
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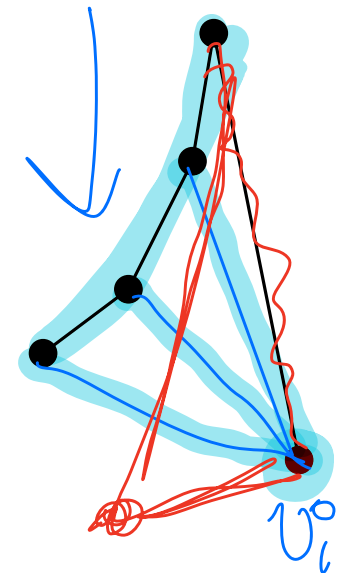
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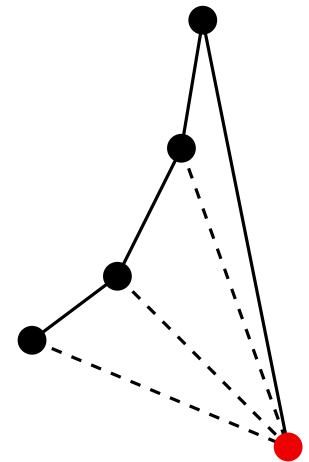
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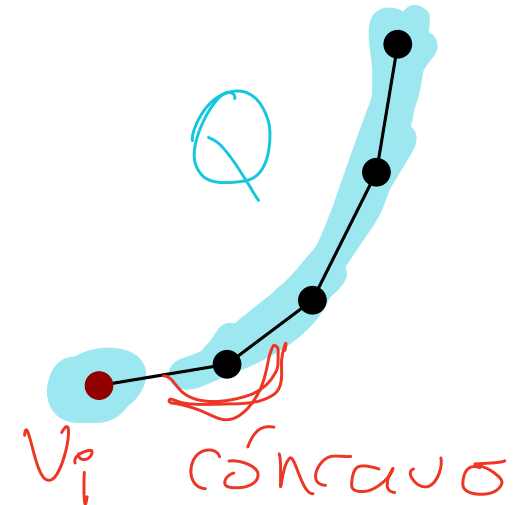
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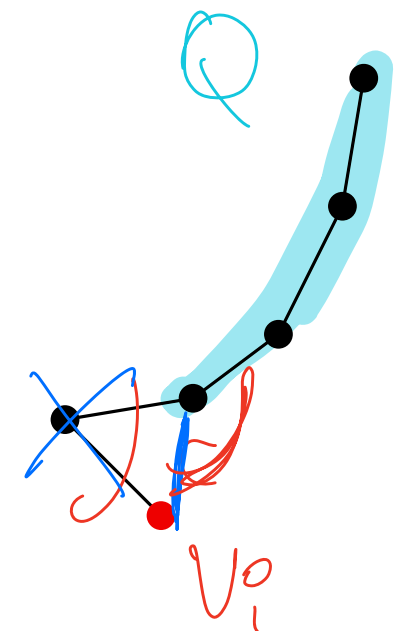
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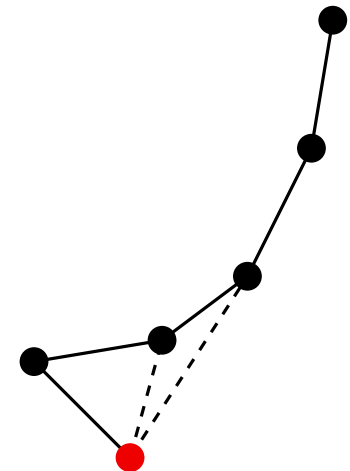
The vertices of the polygon P are processed by decreasing order of their y -coordinate.

During the process a queue Q is used to store the vertices that have already been visited but are still needed in order to generate the triangulation. Characteristics of Q :

- The topmost (i.e., largest y -coordinate) vertex in Q , is a convex vertex of the subpolygon P' still to be triangulated.
- All the remaining vertices in Q are reflex.
- All the vertices in Q belong to the same monotone chain of P' .

Processing a vertex v_i :

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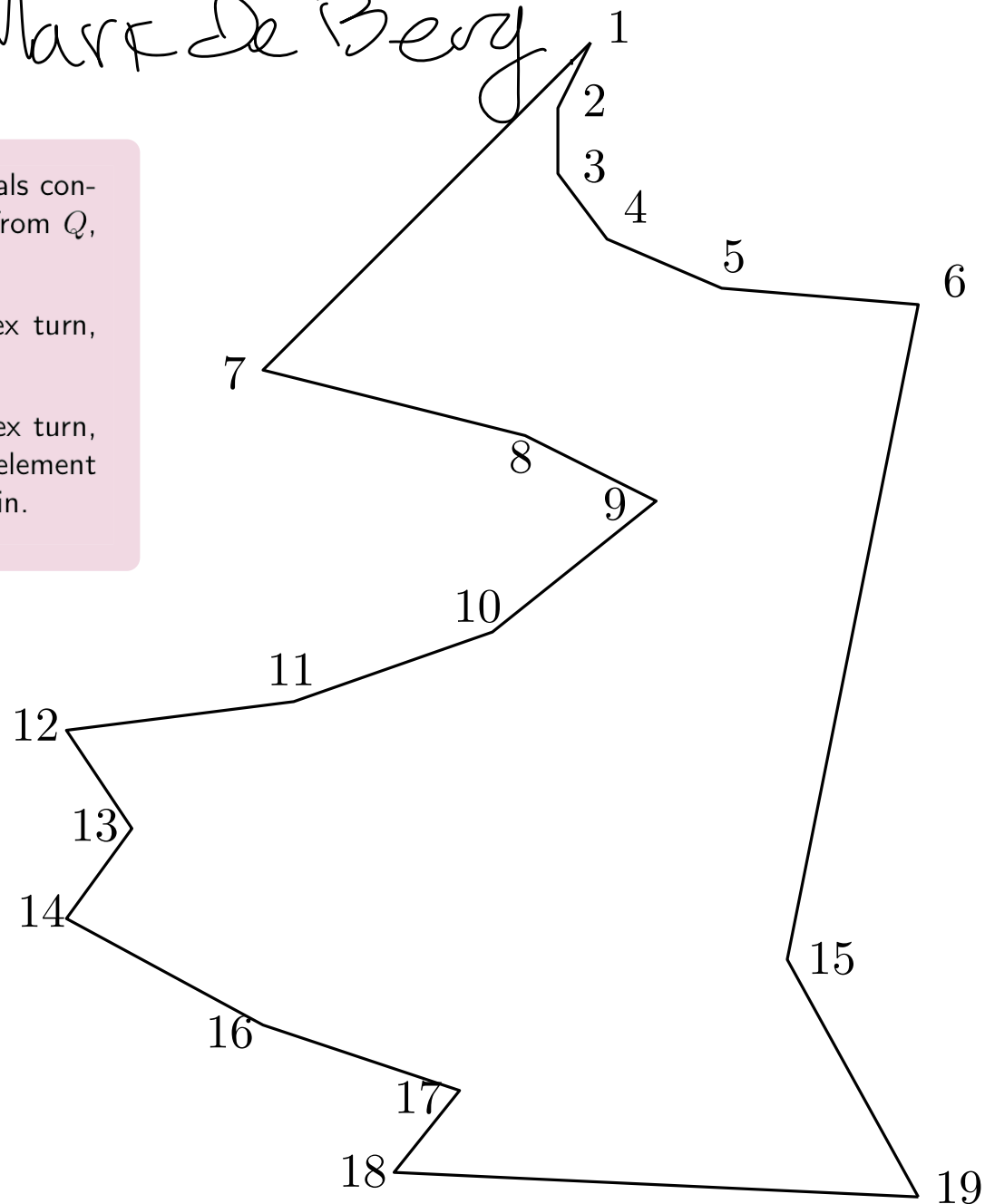


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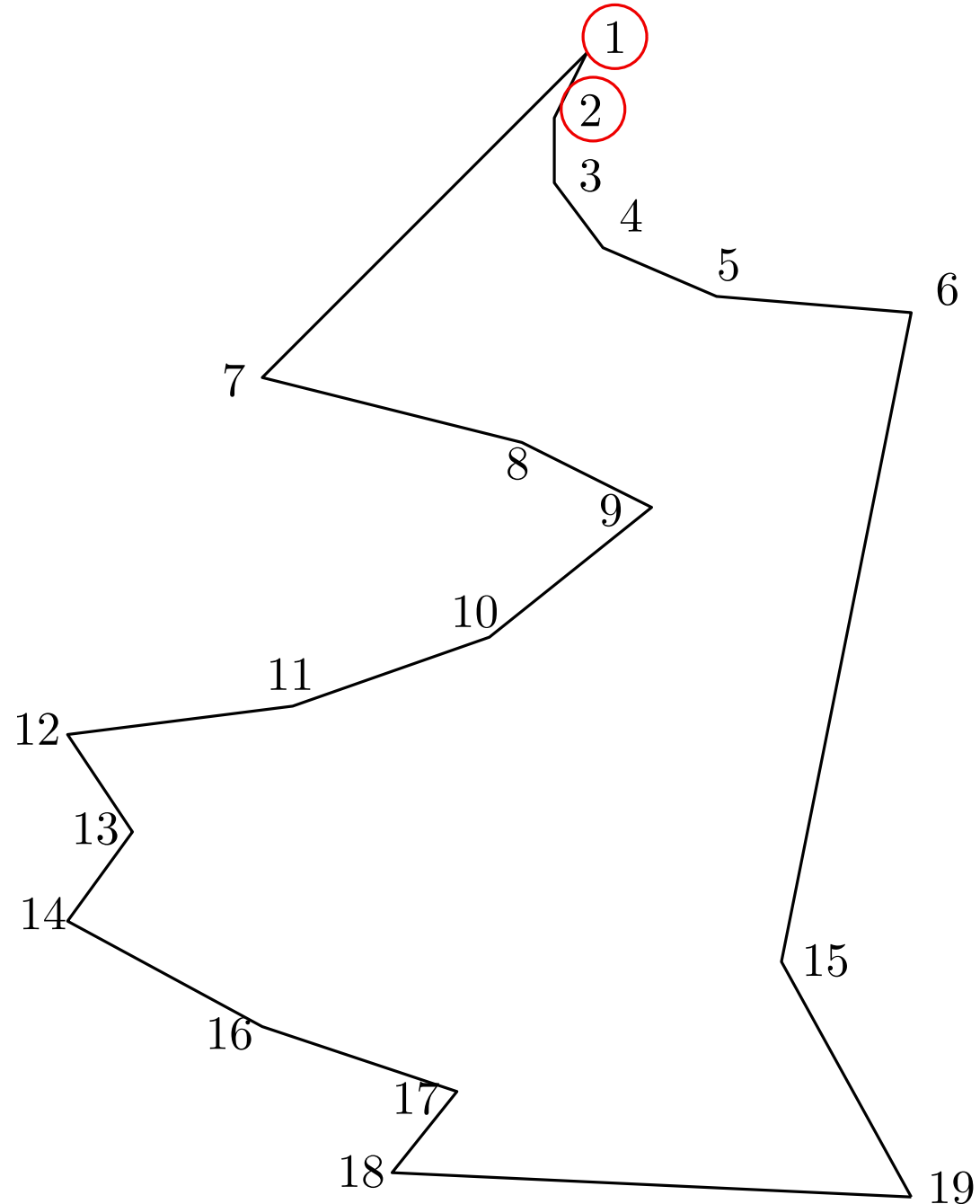
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Queue state

1, 2



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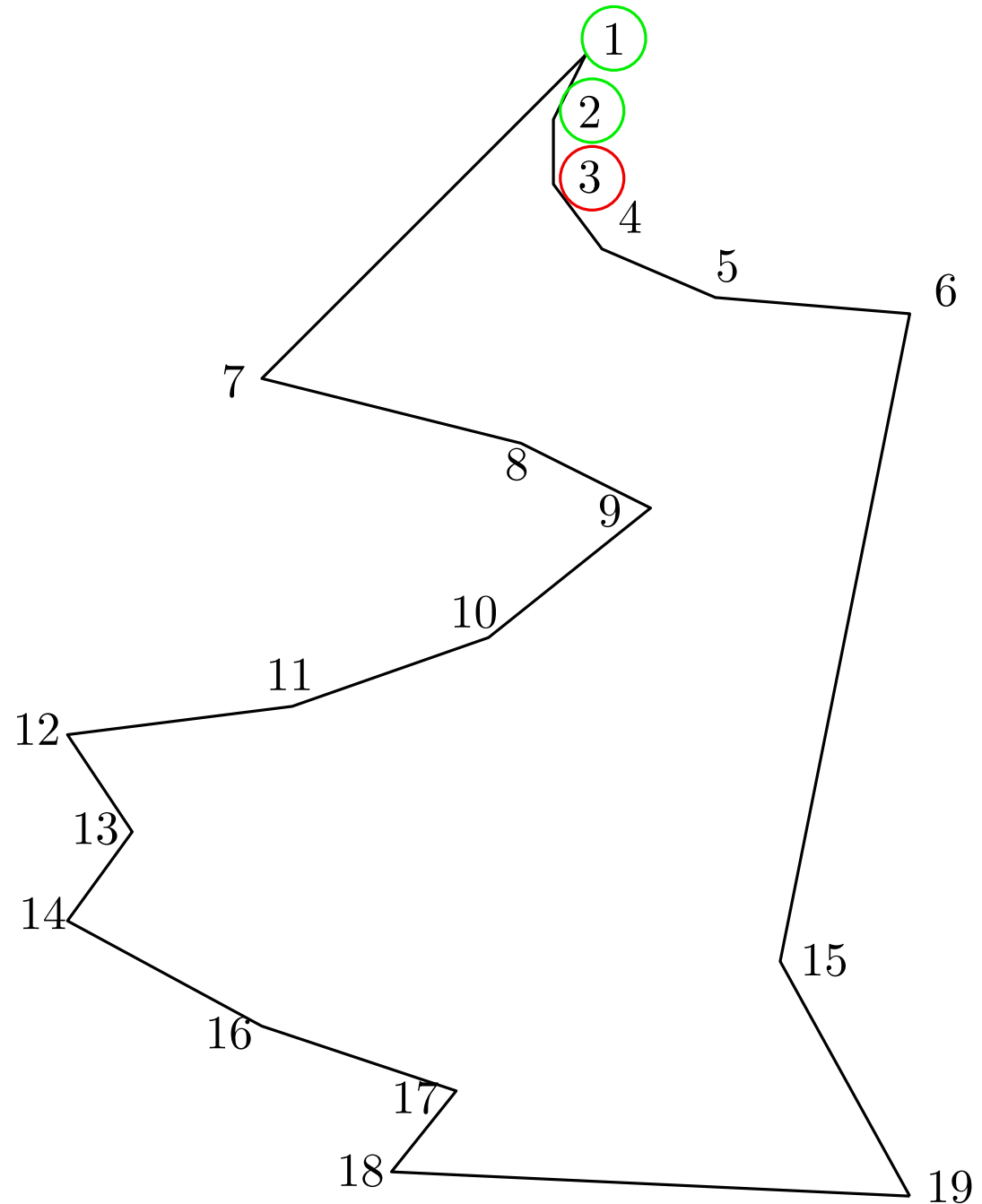
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Current vertex: 3

Add

Queue state:

1, 2, 3



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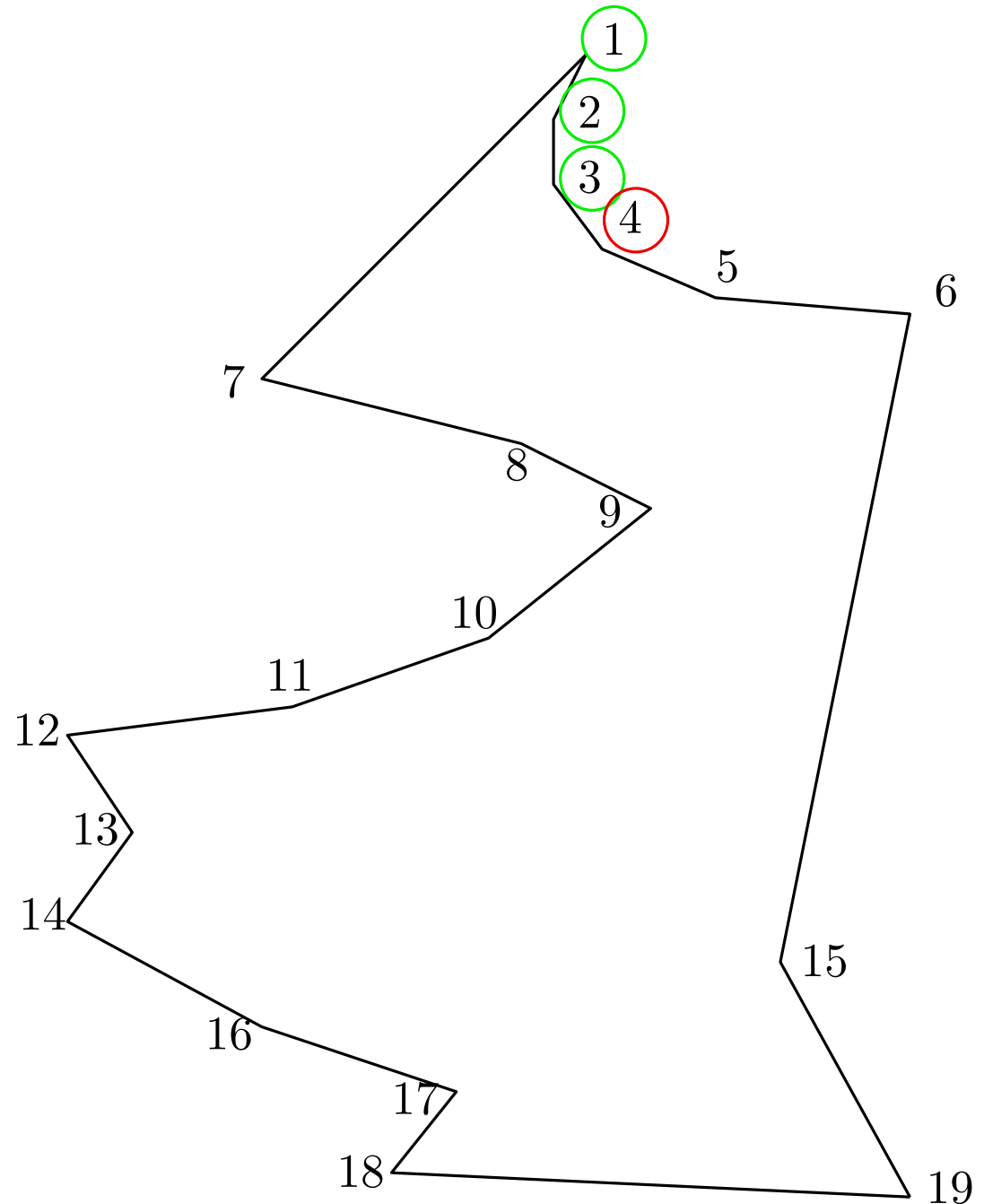
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Current vertex: 4

Add

Queue state:

1, 2, 3, 4



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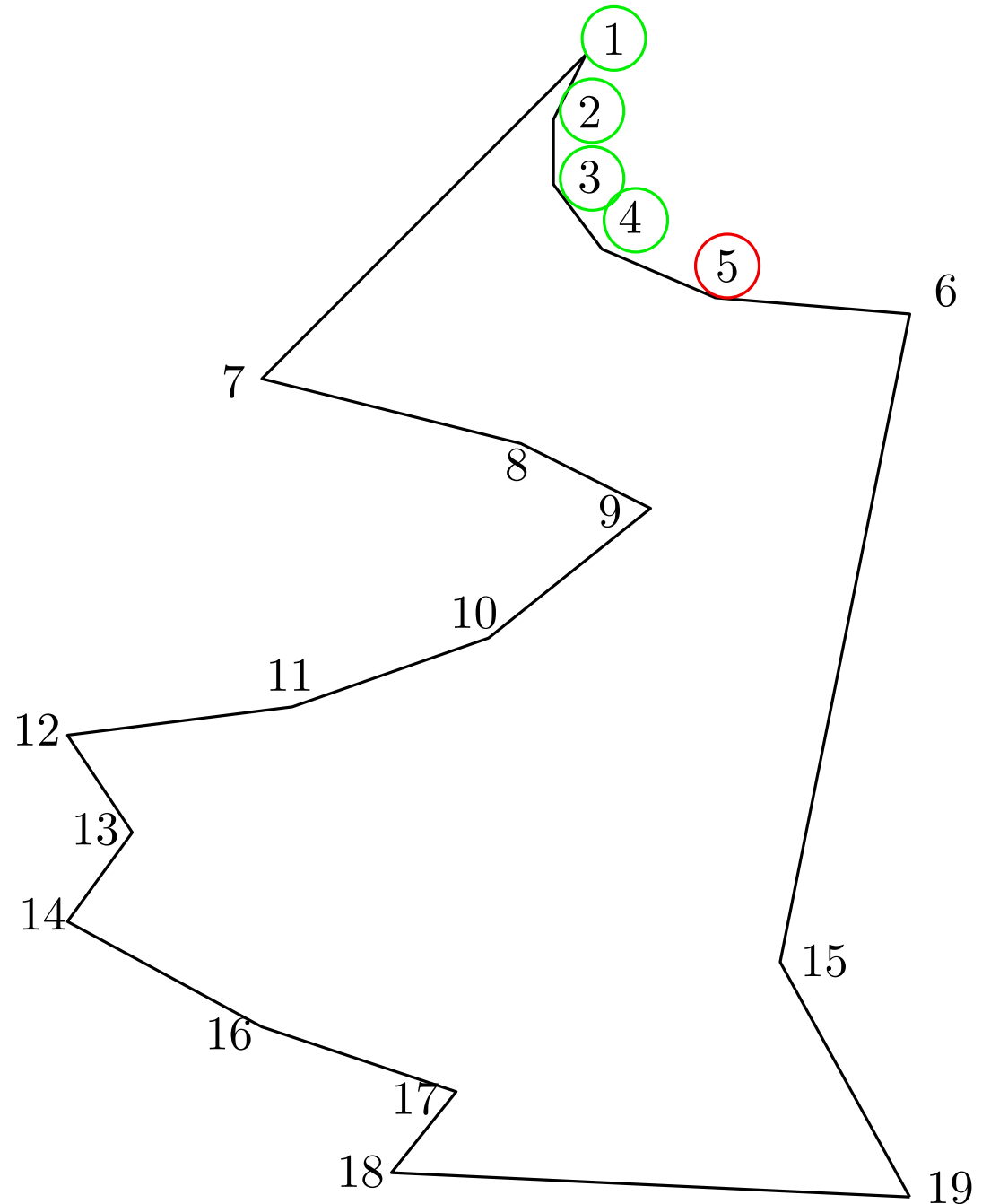
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 5

Add

Queue state:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5



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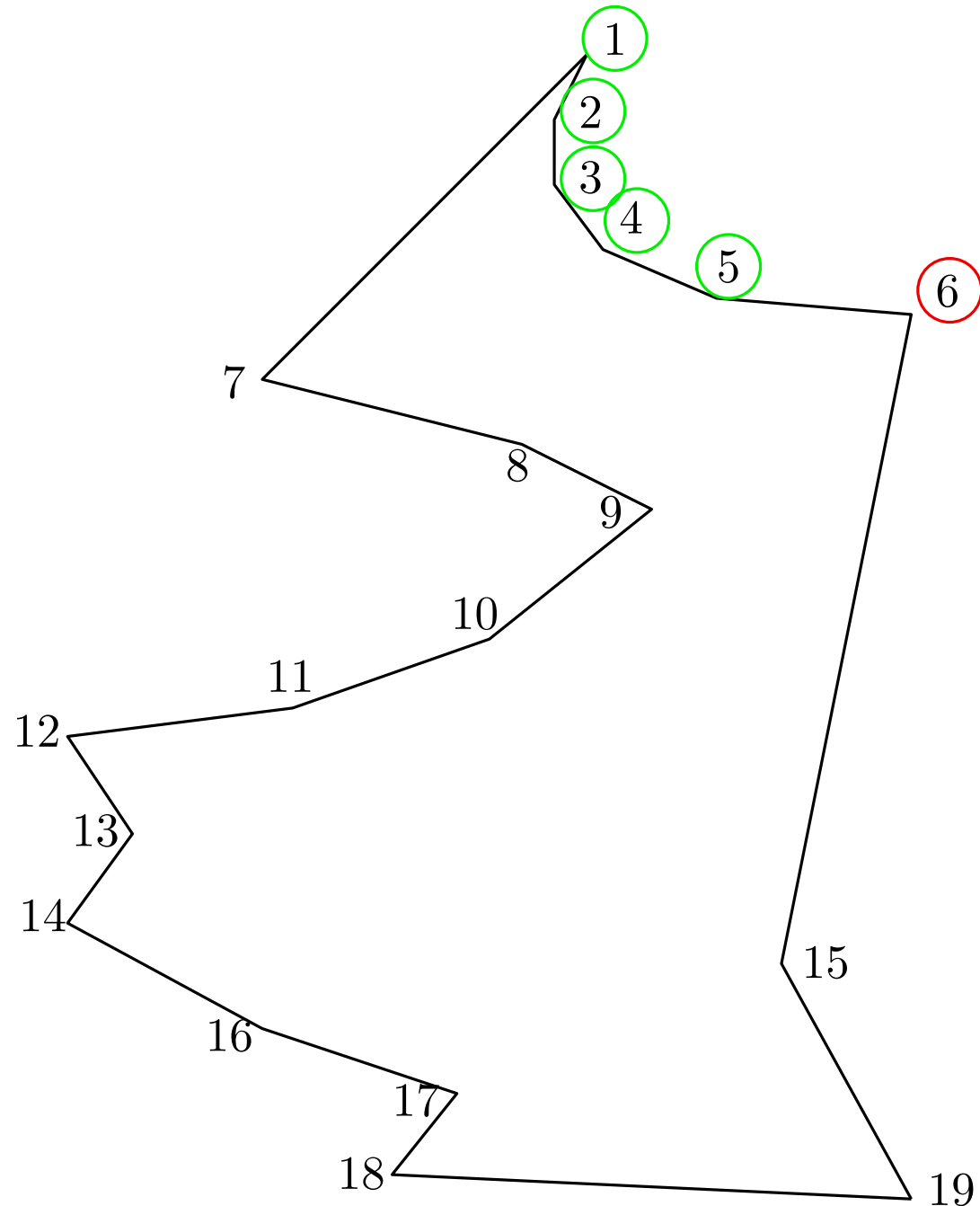
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 6

Add

Queue state:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6



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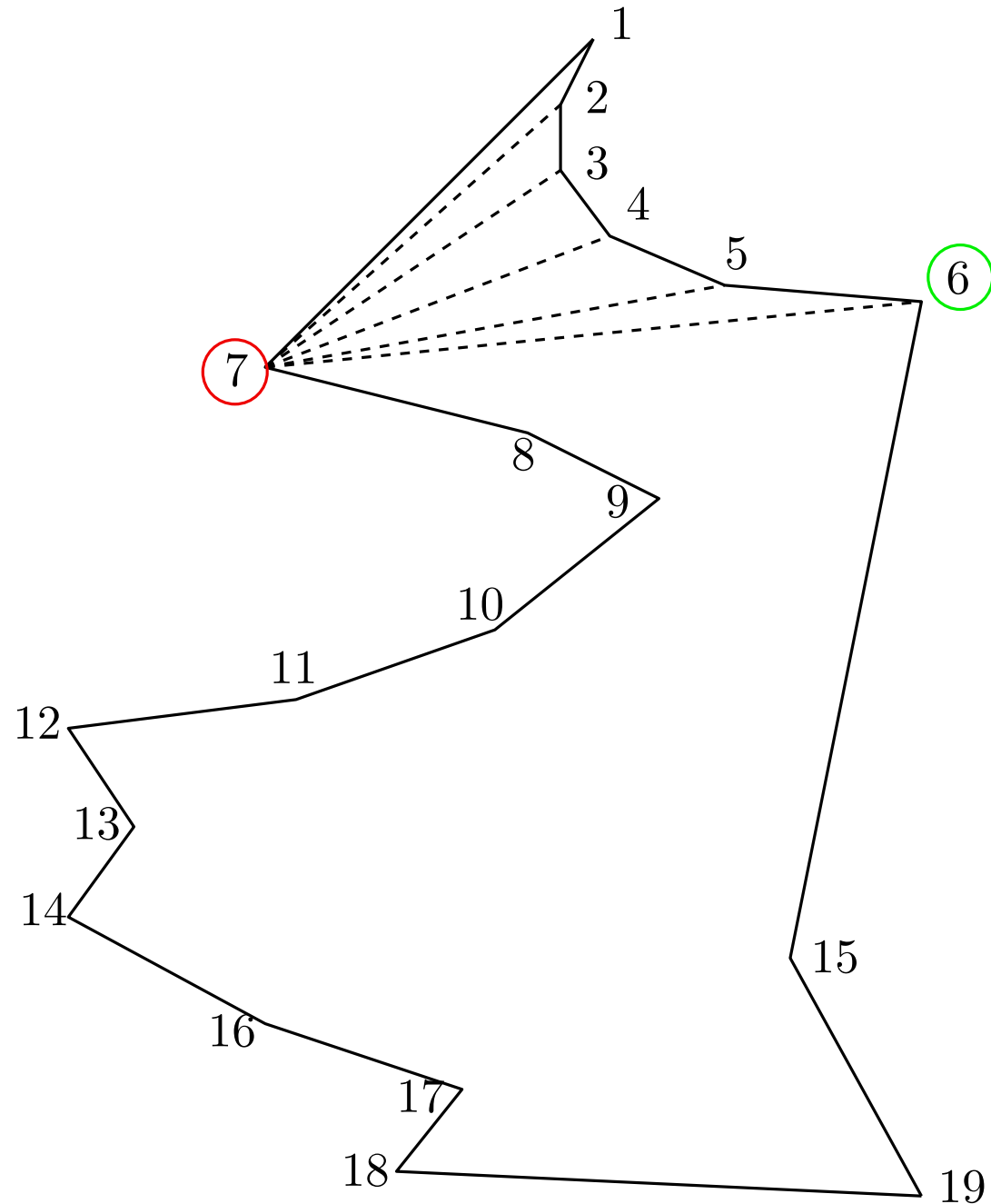
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 7

Opposite chain

Queue state:

6, 7



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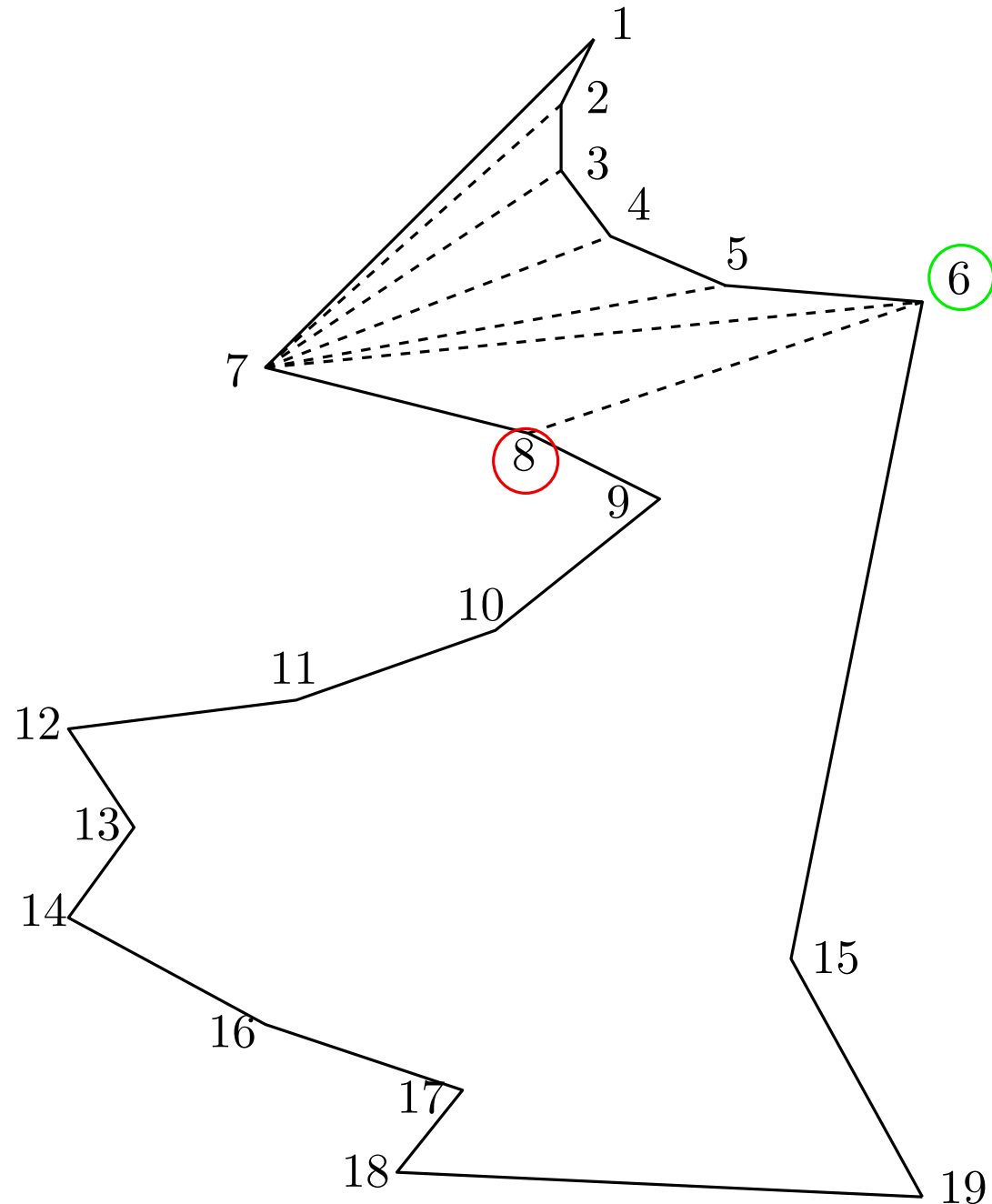
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 8

Ear

Queue state:

6, 8



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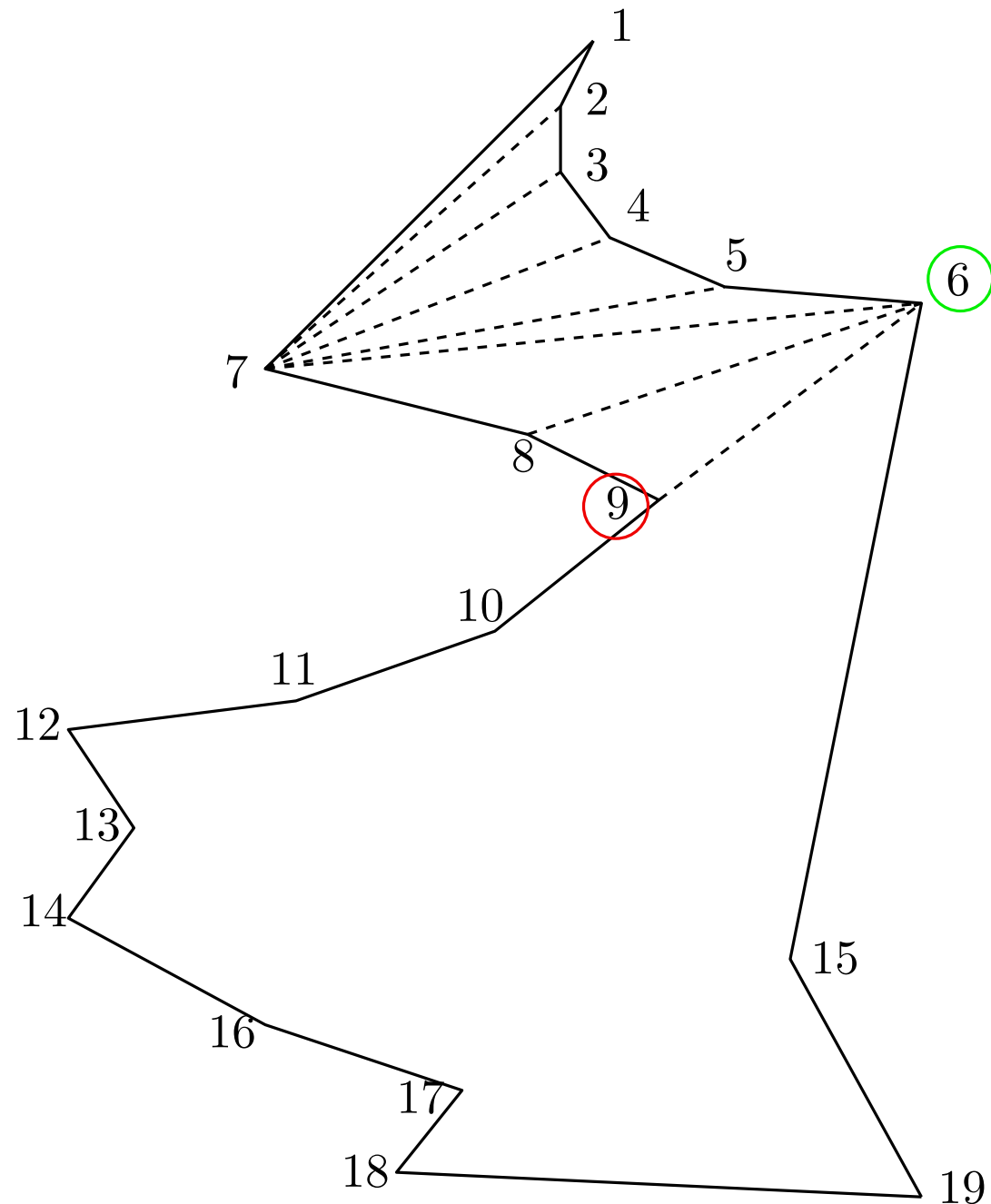
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 9

Ear

Queue state:

6, 9



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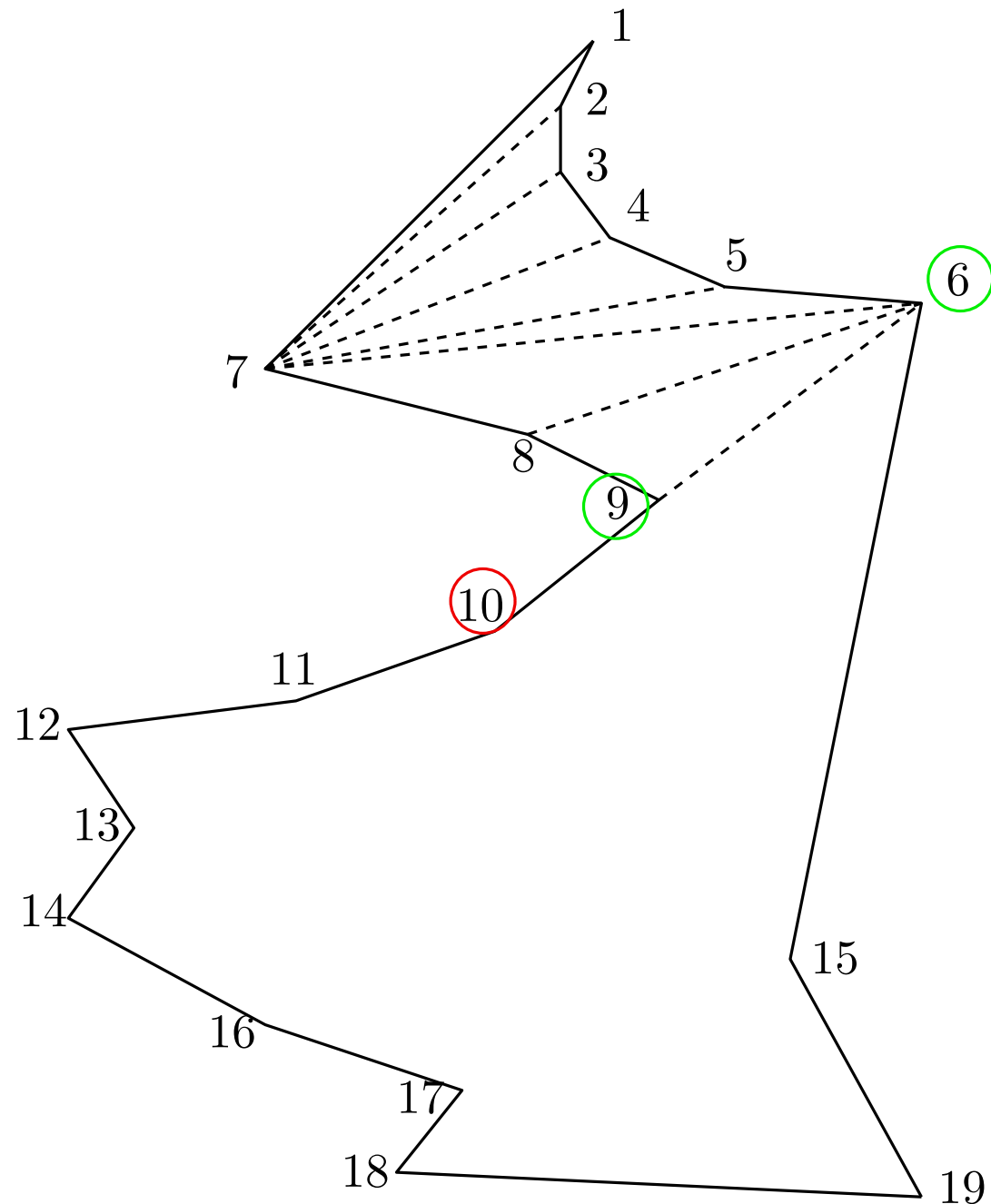
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 10

Add

Queue state:

6, 9, 10



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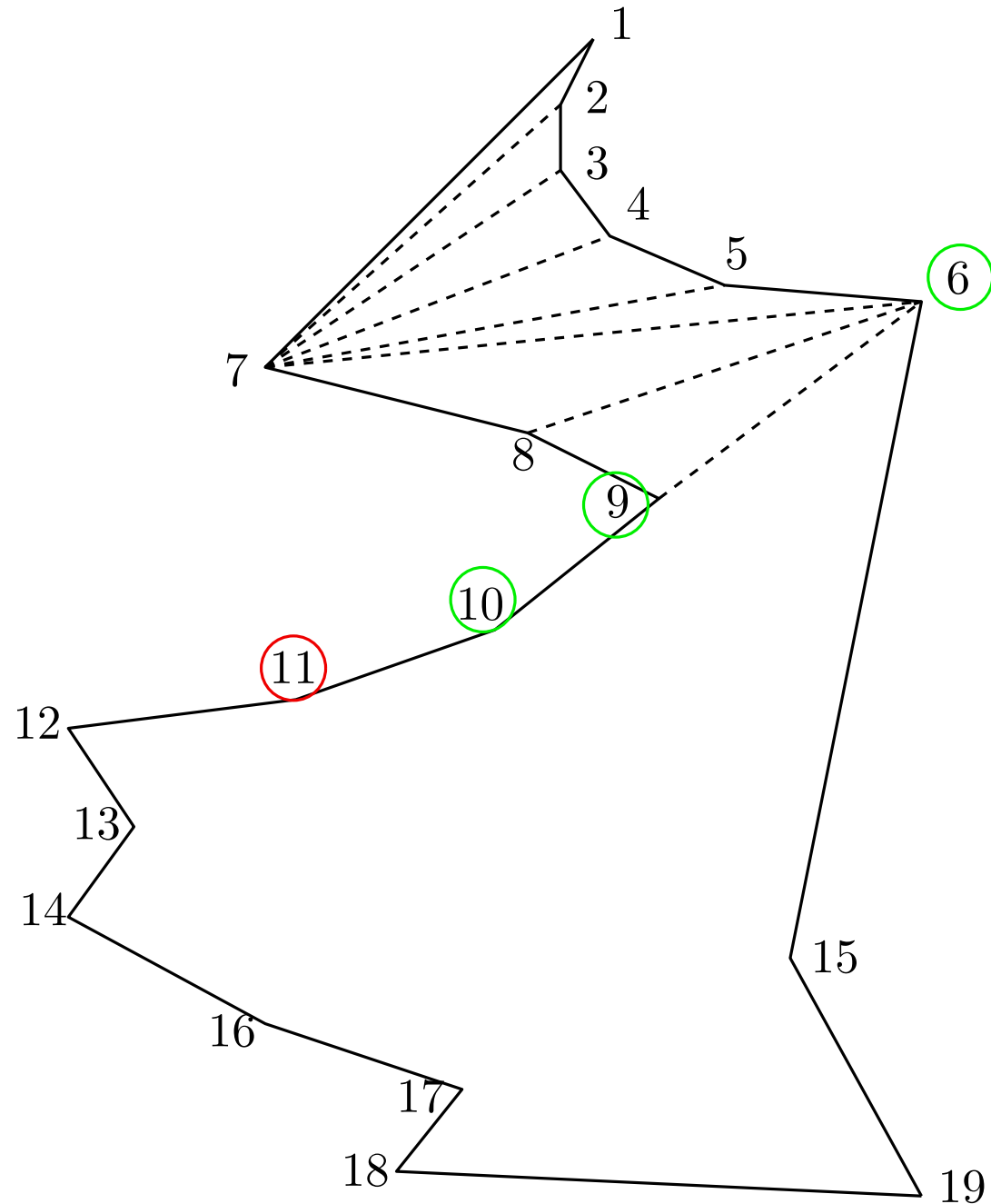
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 11

Add

Queue state:

6, 9, 10, 11



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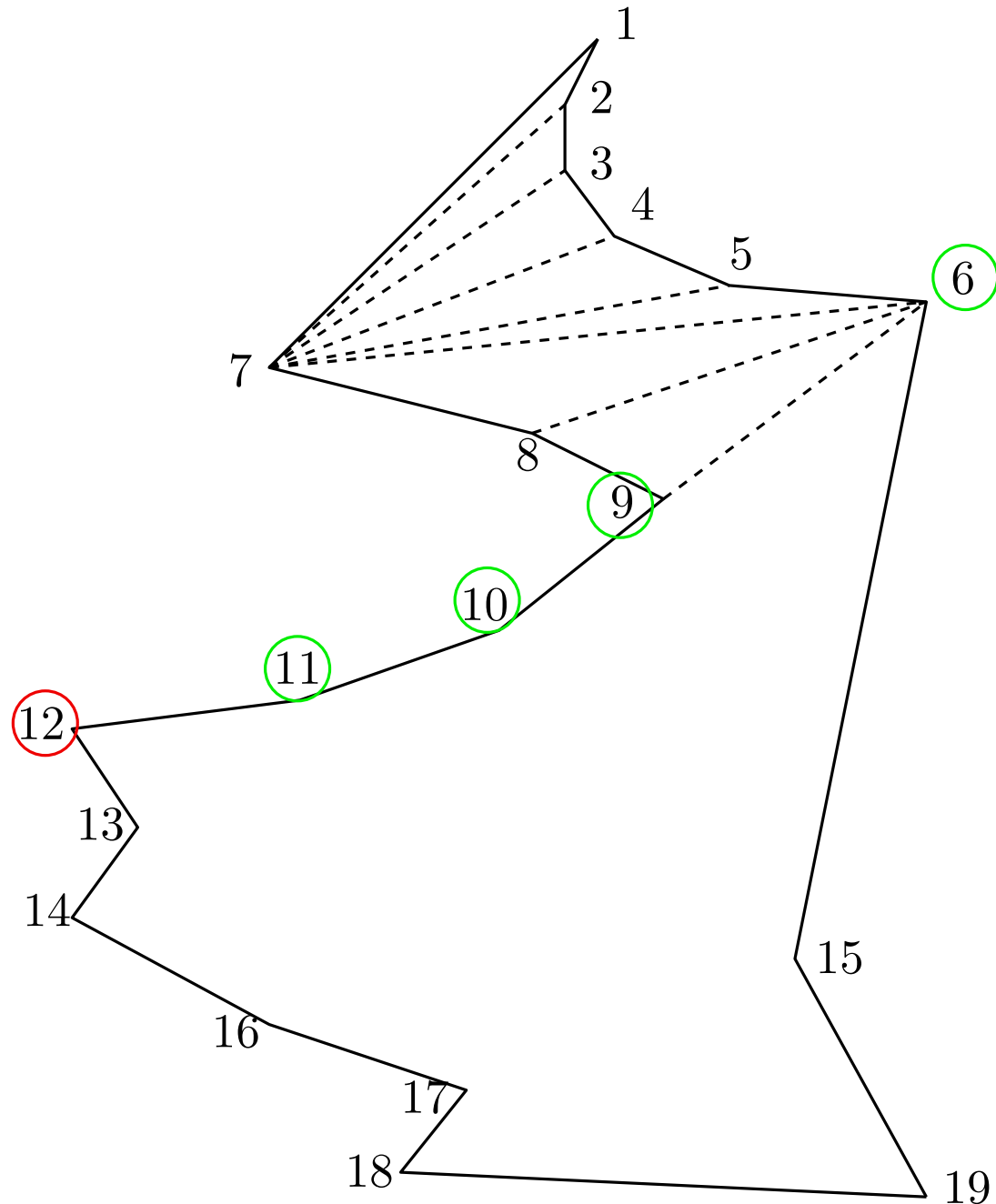
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 12

Add

Queue state:

6, 9, 10, 11, 12



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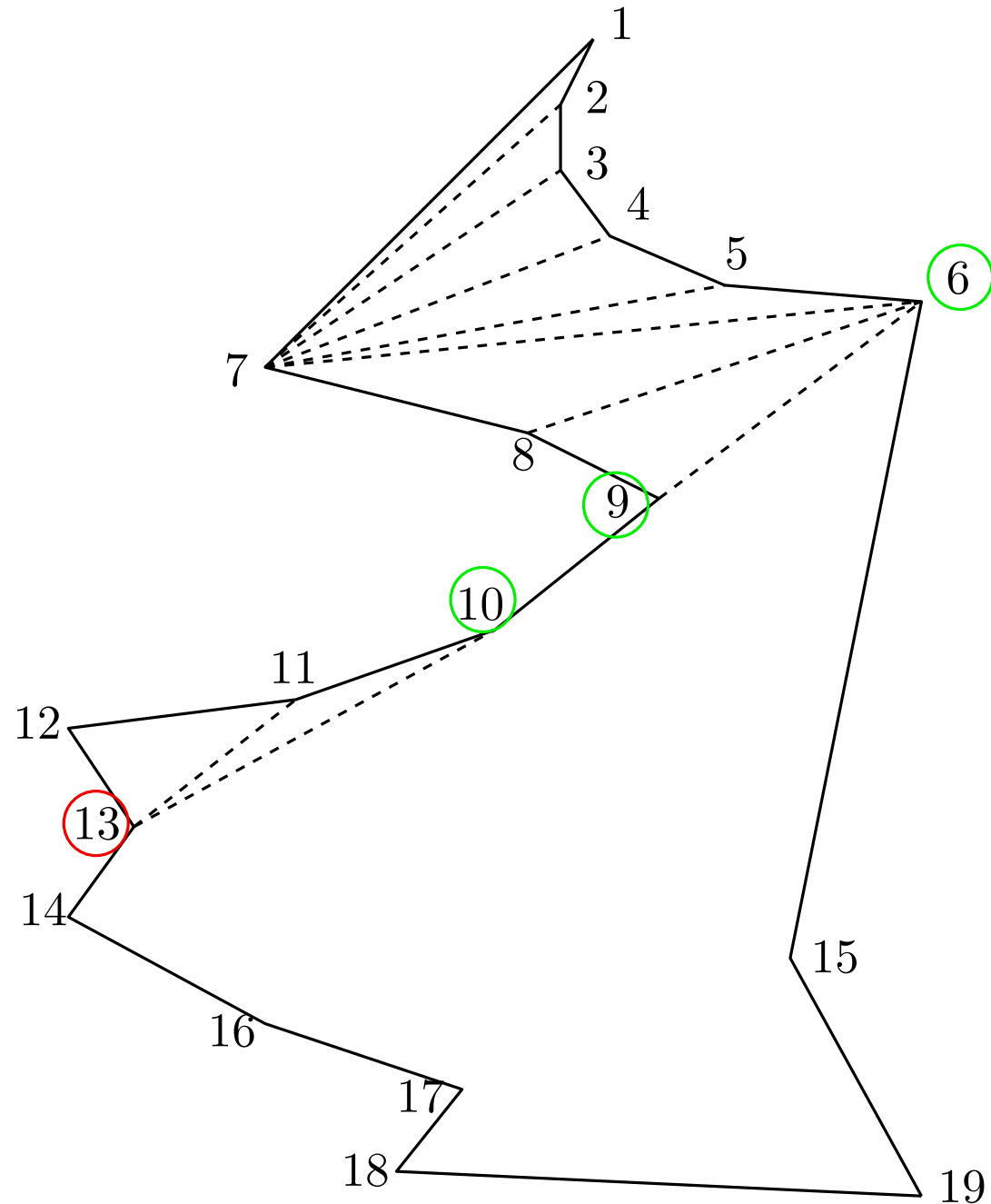
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 13

Ear

Queue state:

6, 9, 10, 13



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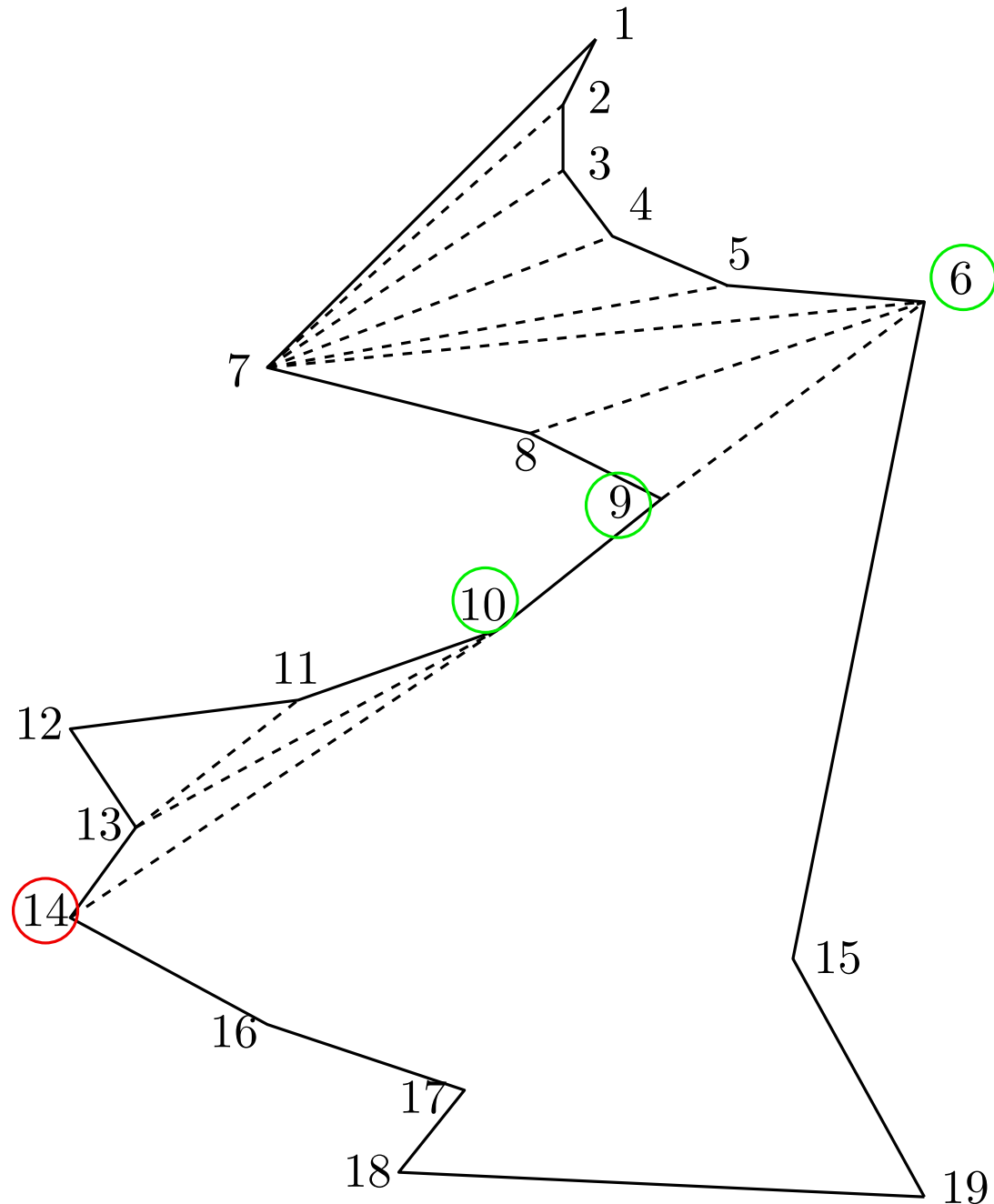
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 14

Ear

Queue state:

6, 9, 10, 14



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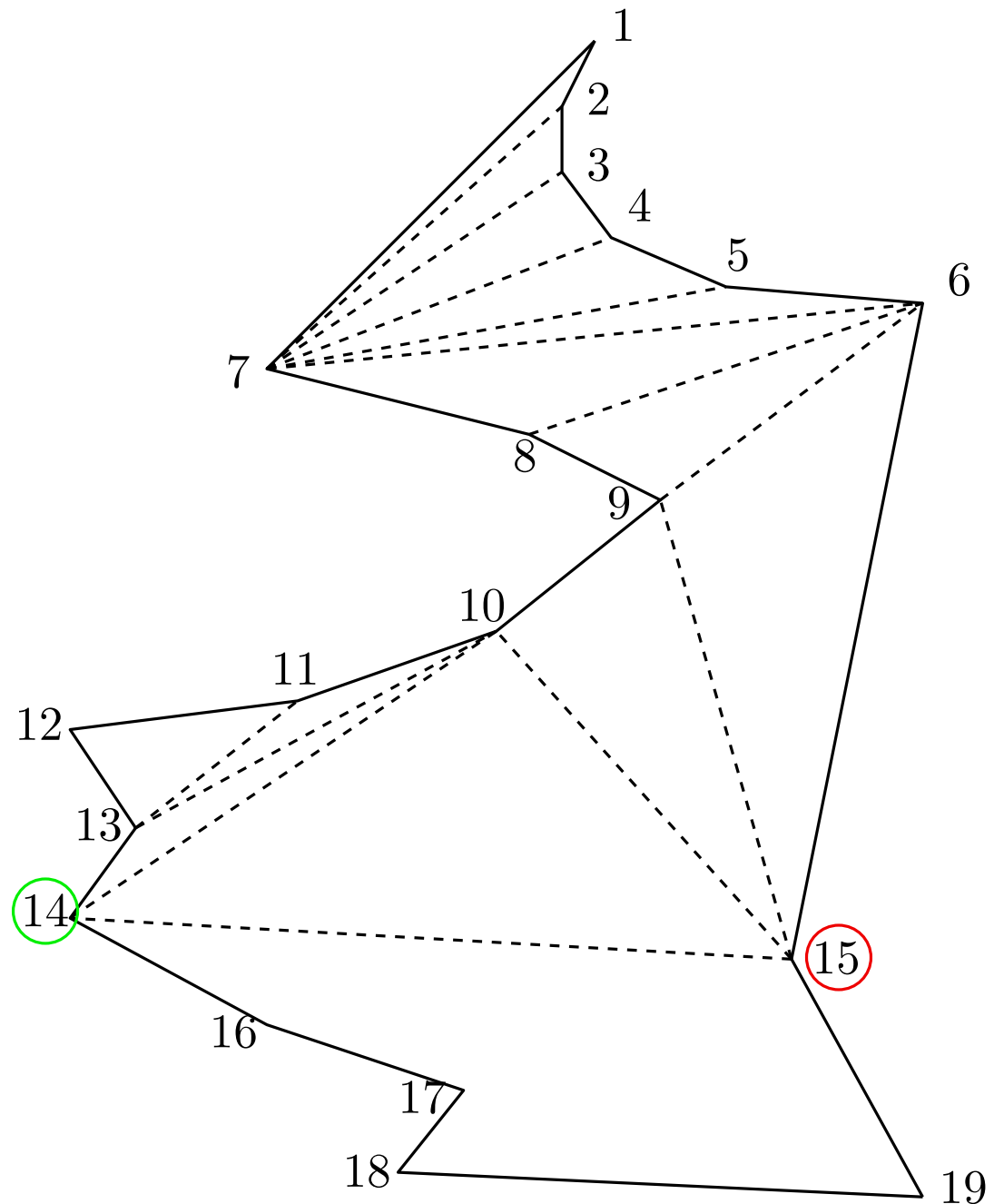
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 15

Opposite chain

Queue state:

14, 15



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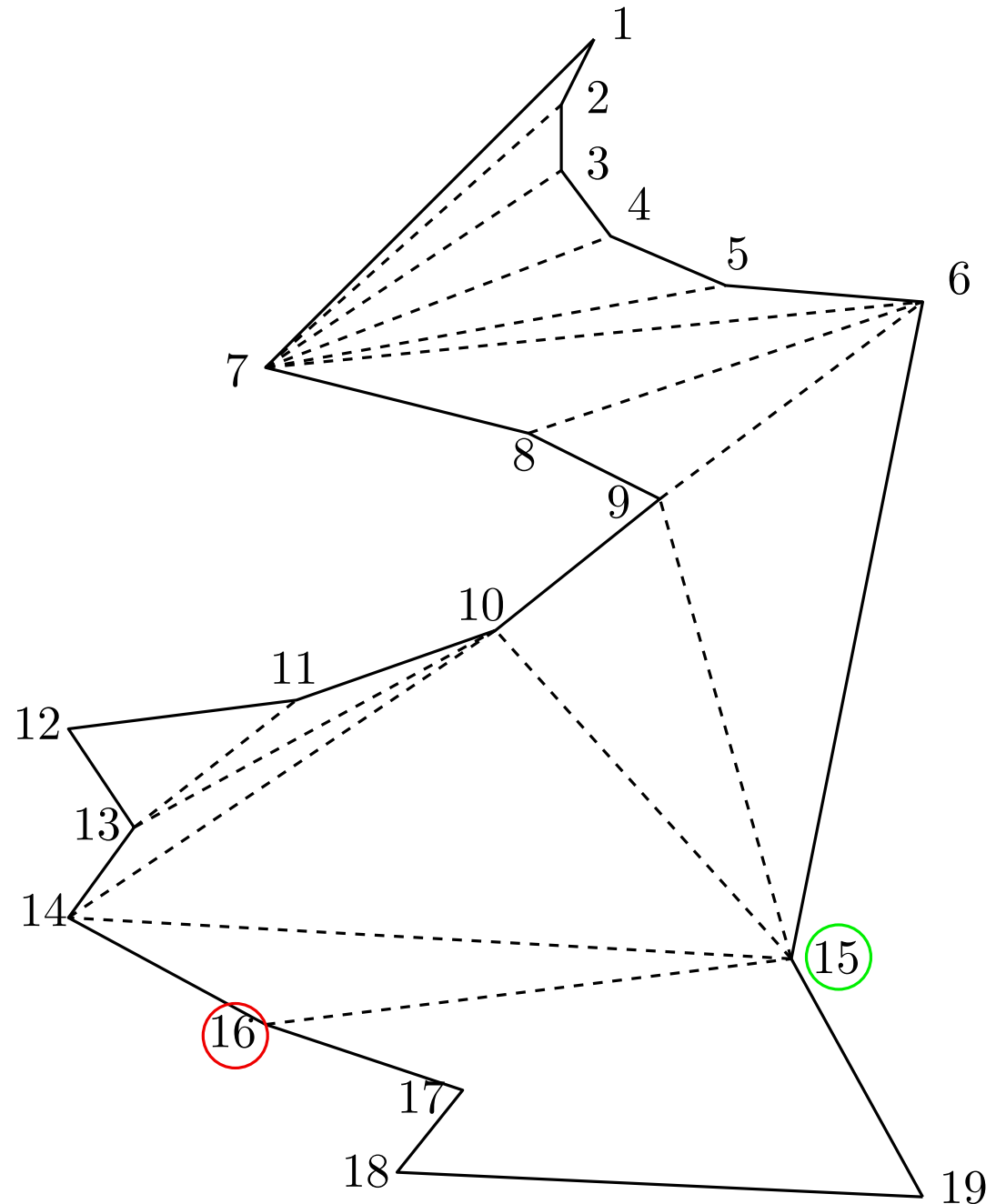
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 16

Opposite chain

Queue state:

15, 16



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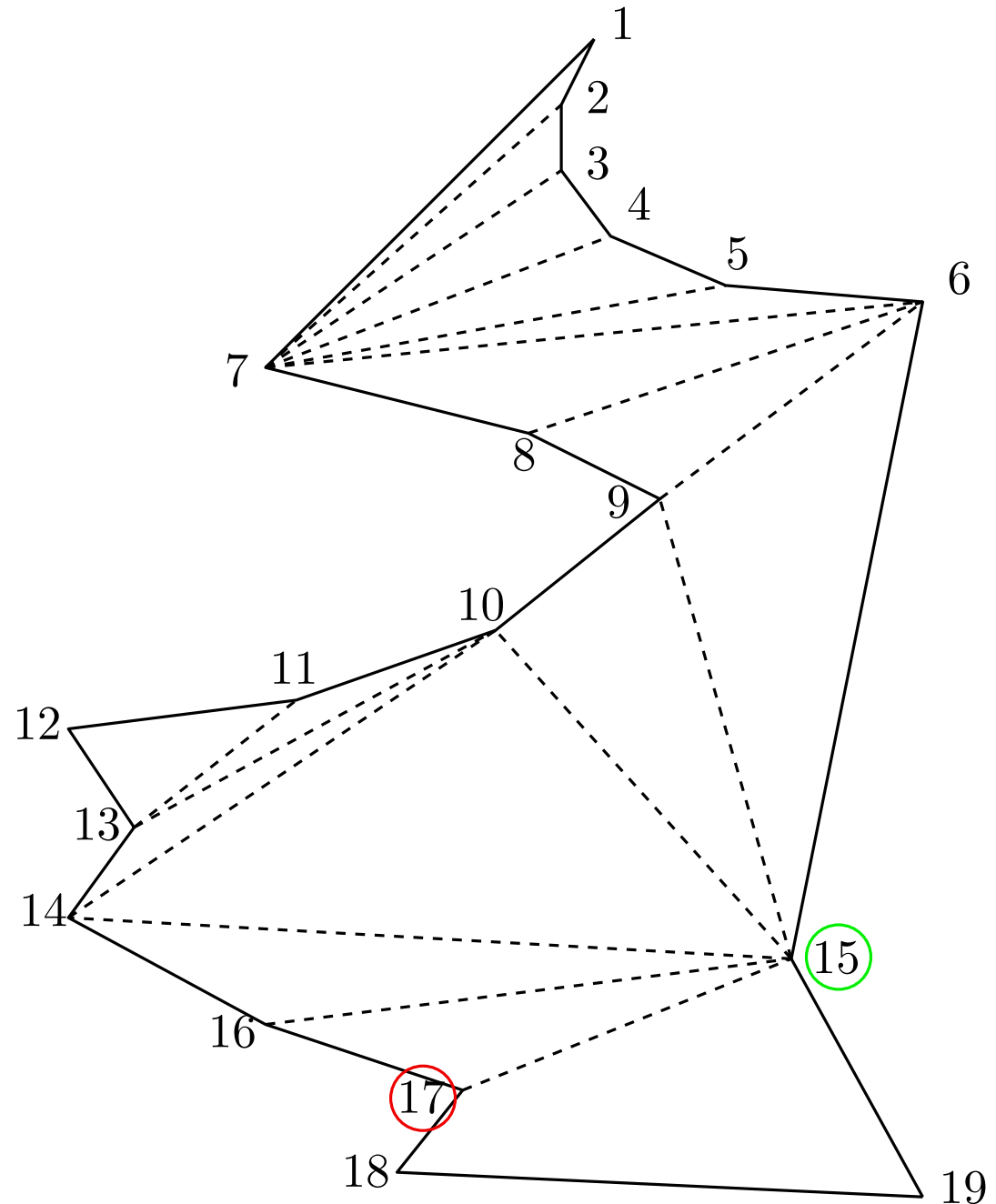
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 17

Ear

Queue state:

15, 17



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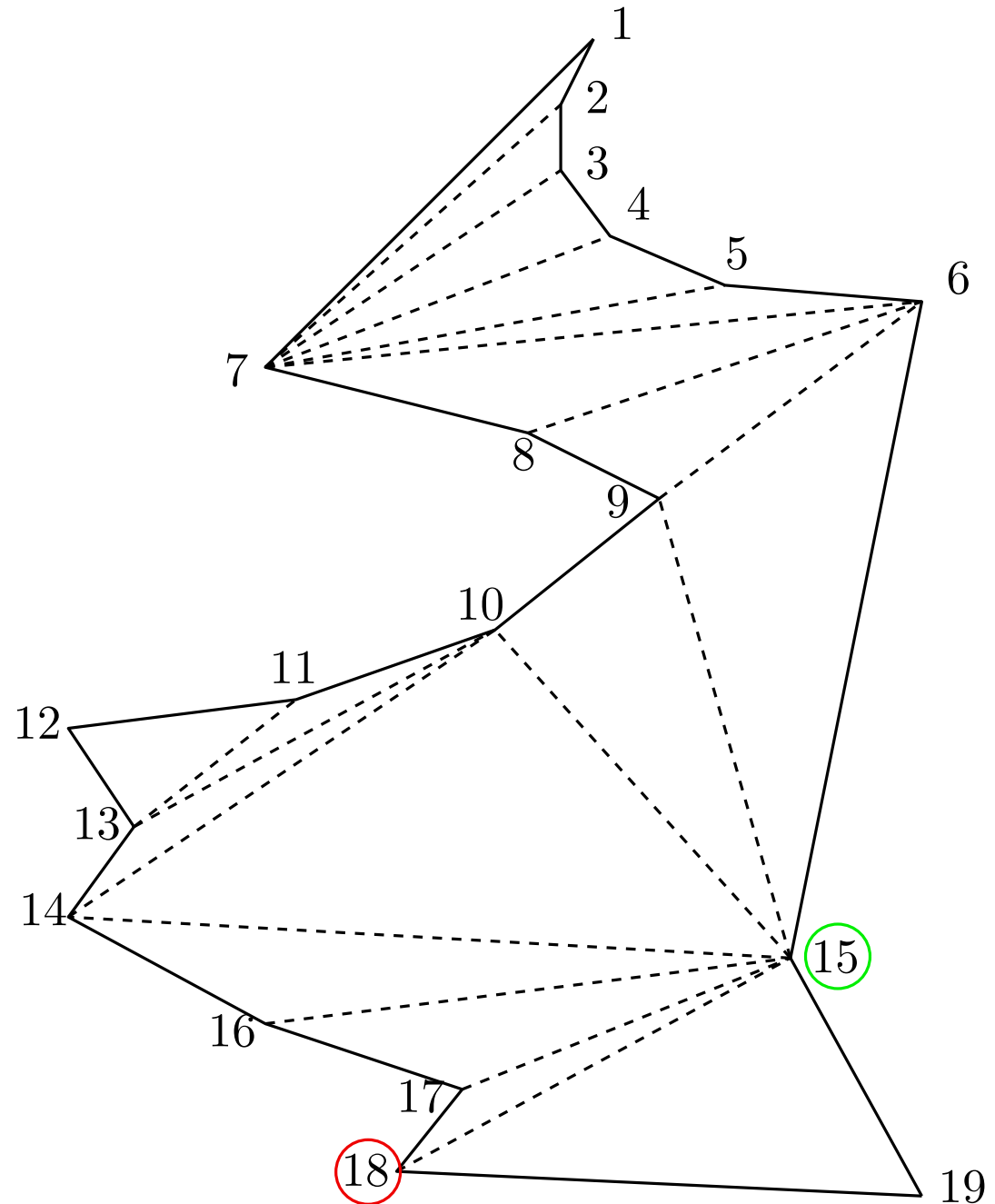
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 18

Ear

Queue state:

15, 18



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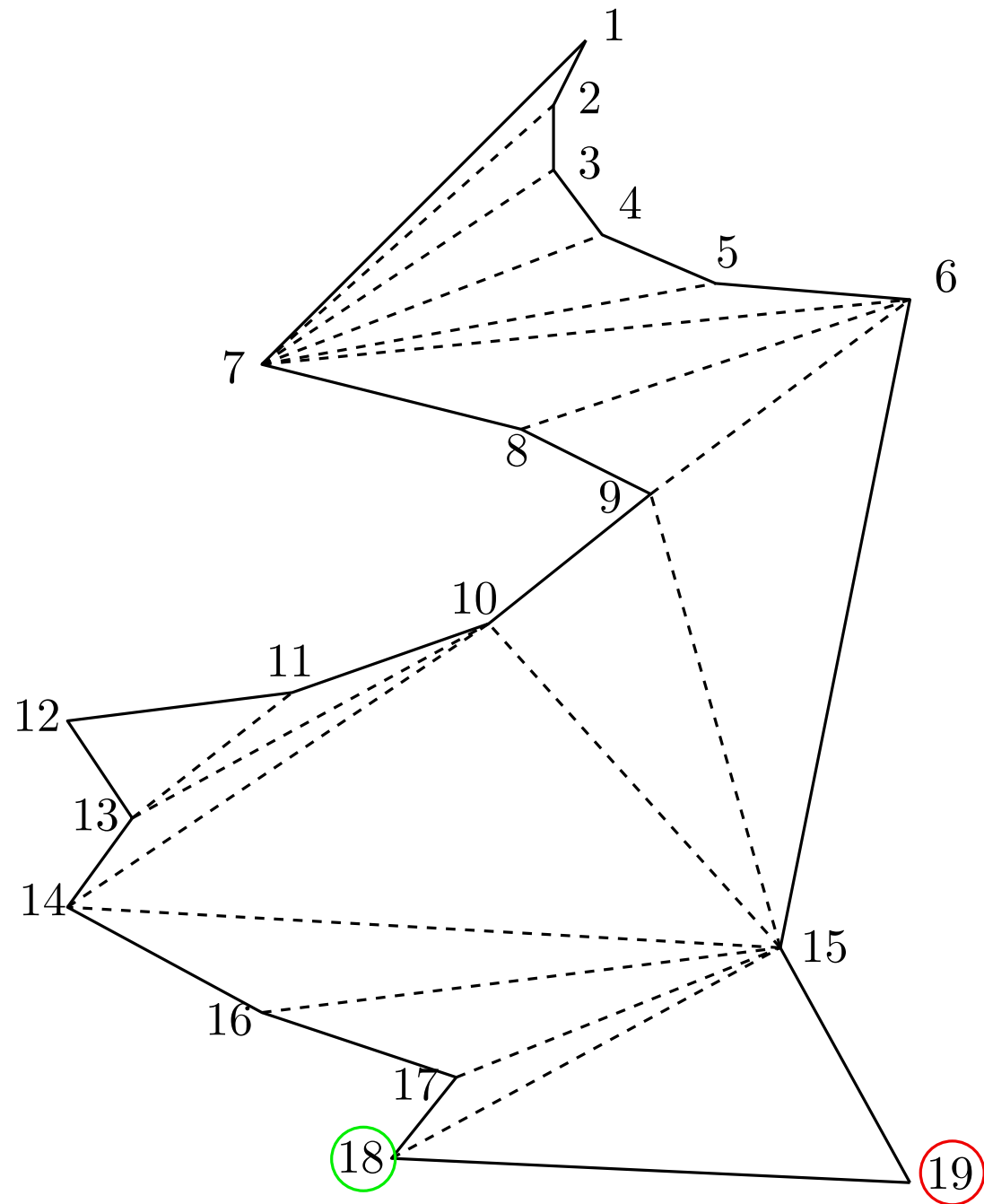
Triangulating a monotone polygon

Current vertex: 19

Opposite chain

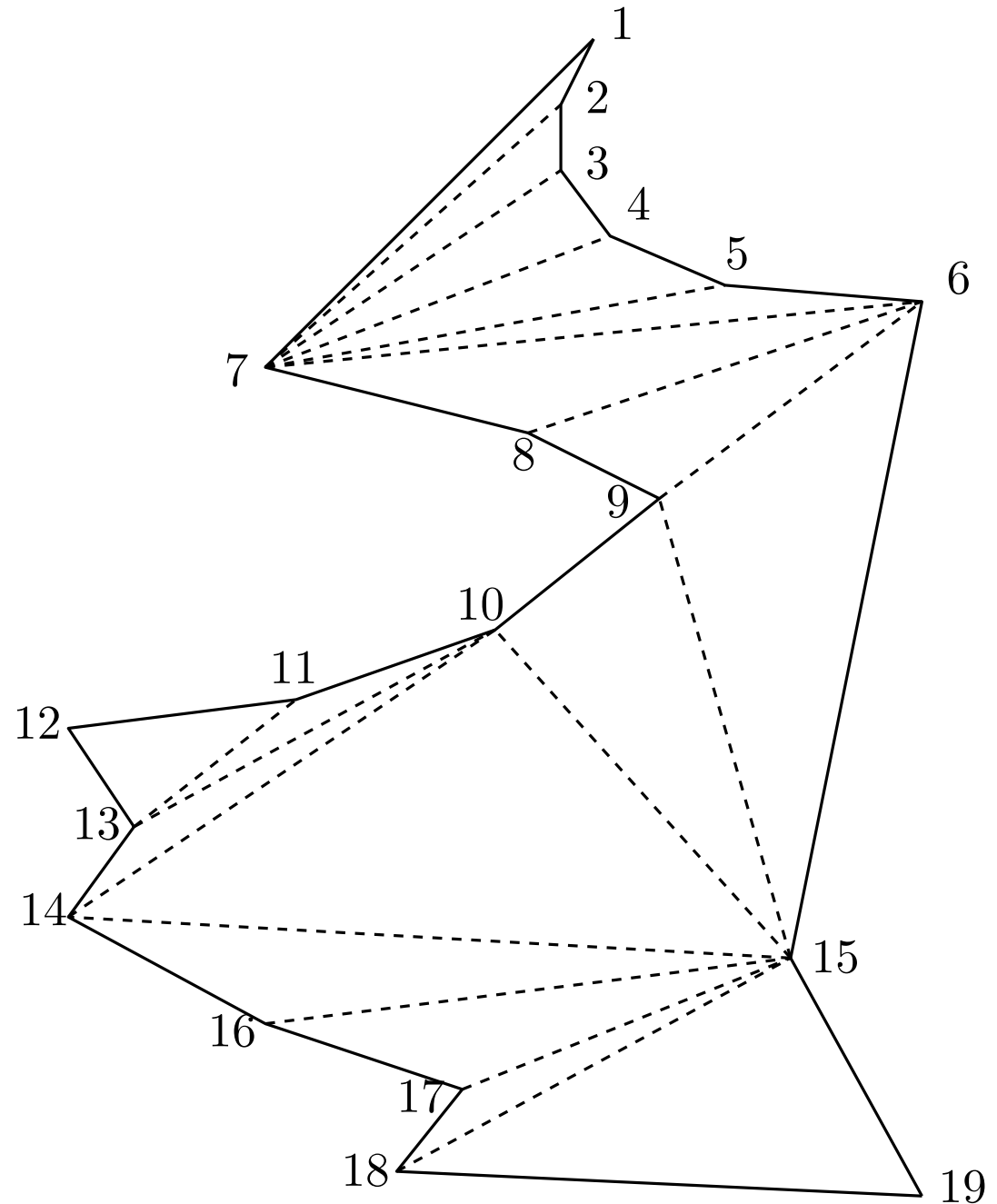
Queue state:

18, 19



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Triangulating a monotone polygon



End

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$$O(n \lg n)$$

Running time: $O(n)$

Each vertex is removed from the queue Q in $O(1)$ time.

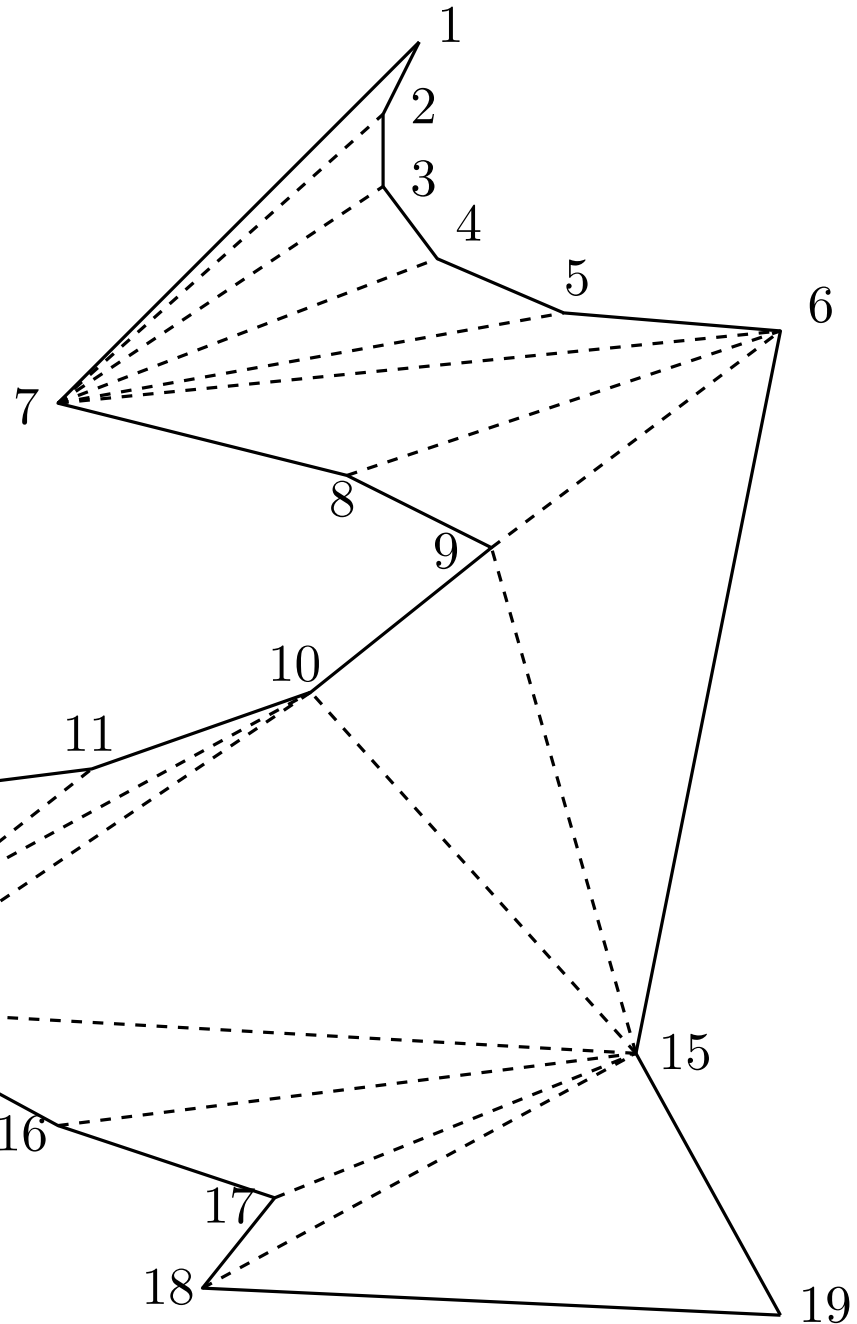
Q priority queue

priority:

coord y_i

Insertar $O(\lg n)$

Extraer $O(\lg n)$



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Summarizing

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$O(n \lg n)$

Si la estructura es una pila $\Rightarrow O(n)$

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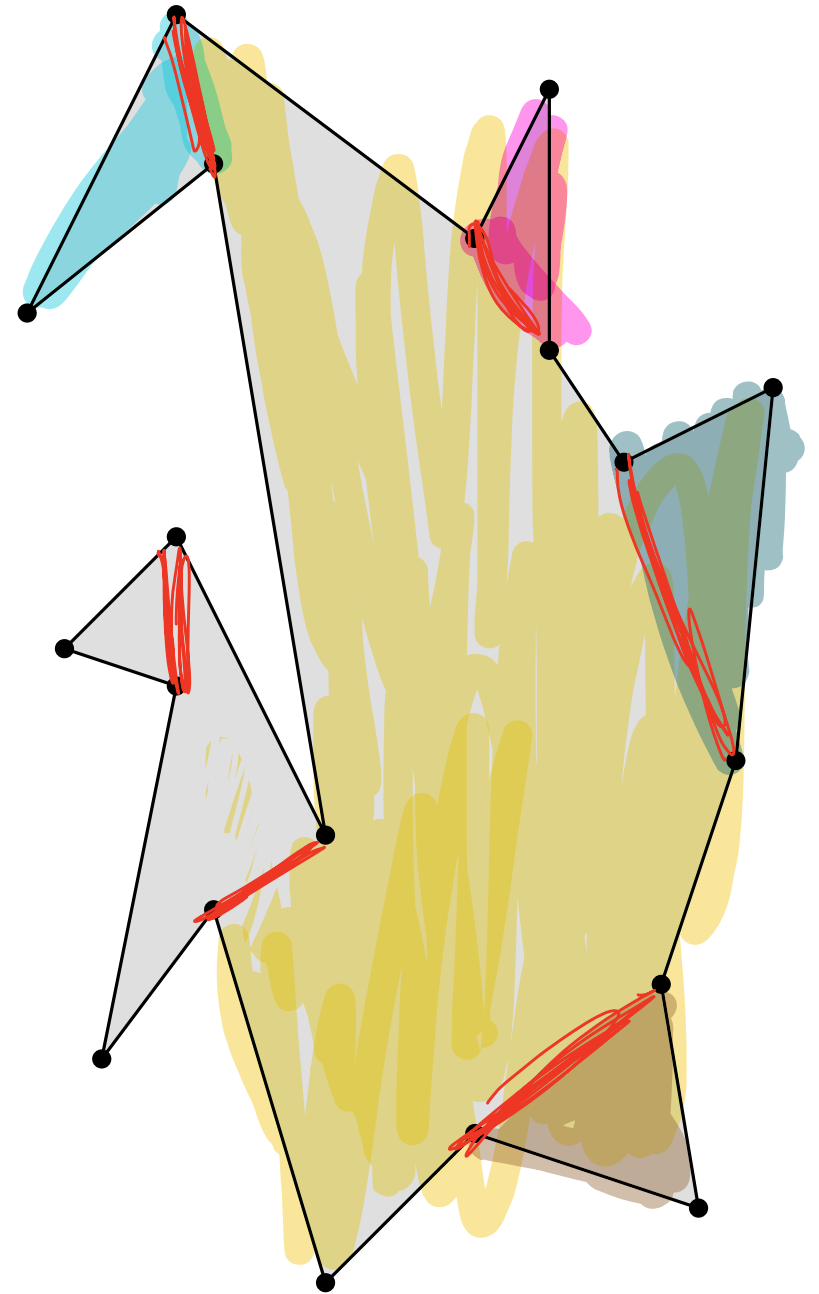
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(+ $O(\log n)$ pre-processor).

Is it possible to be more efficient more general polygons?

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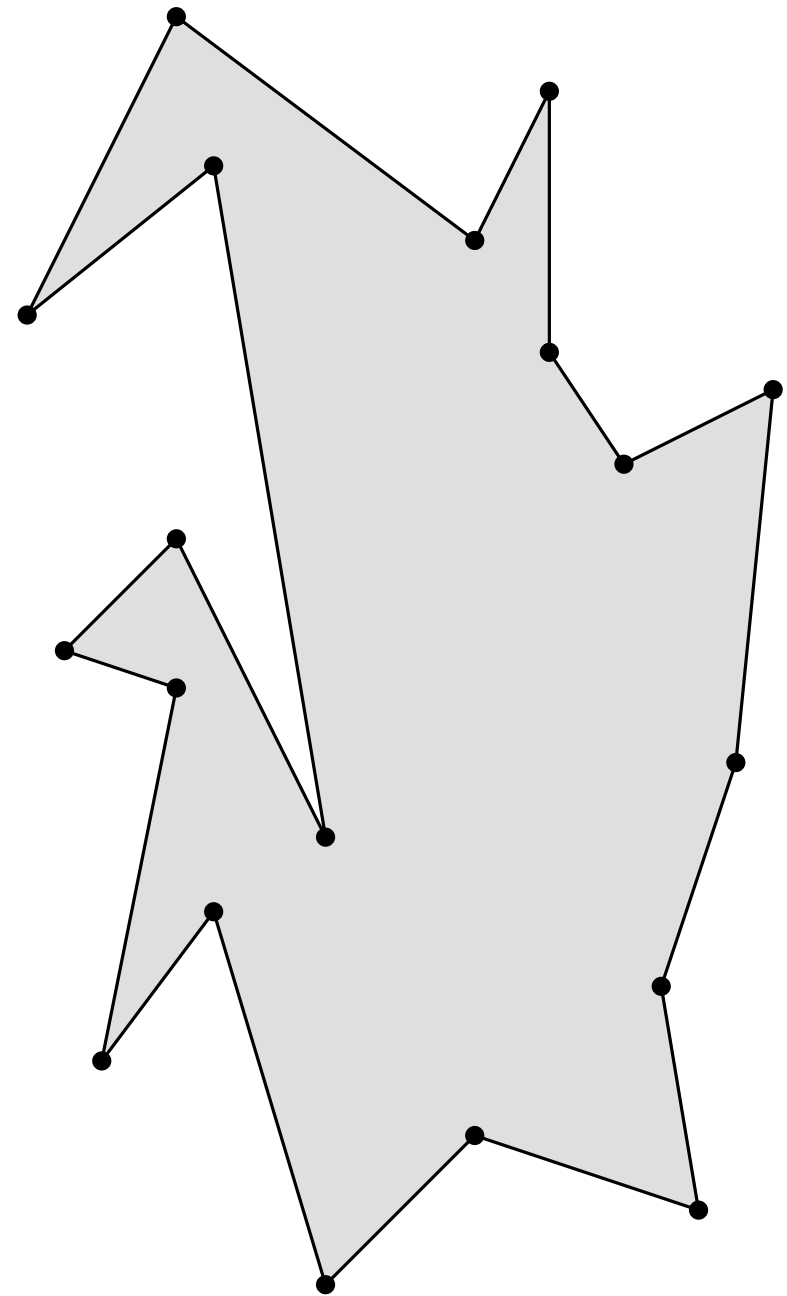
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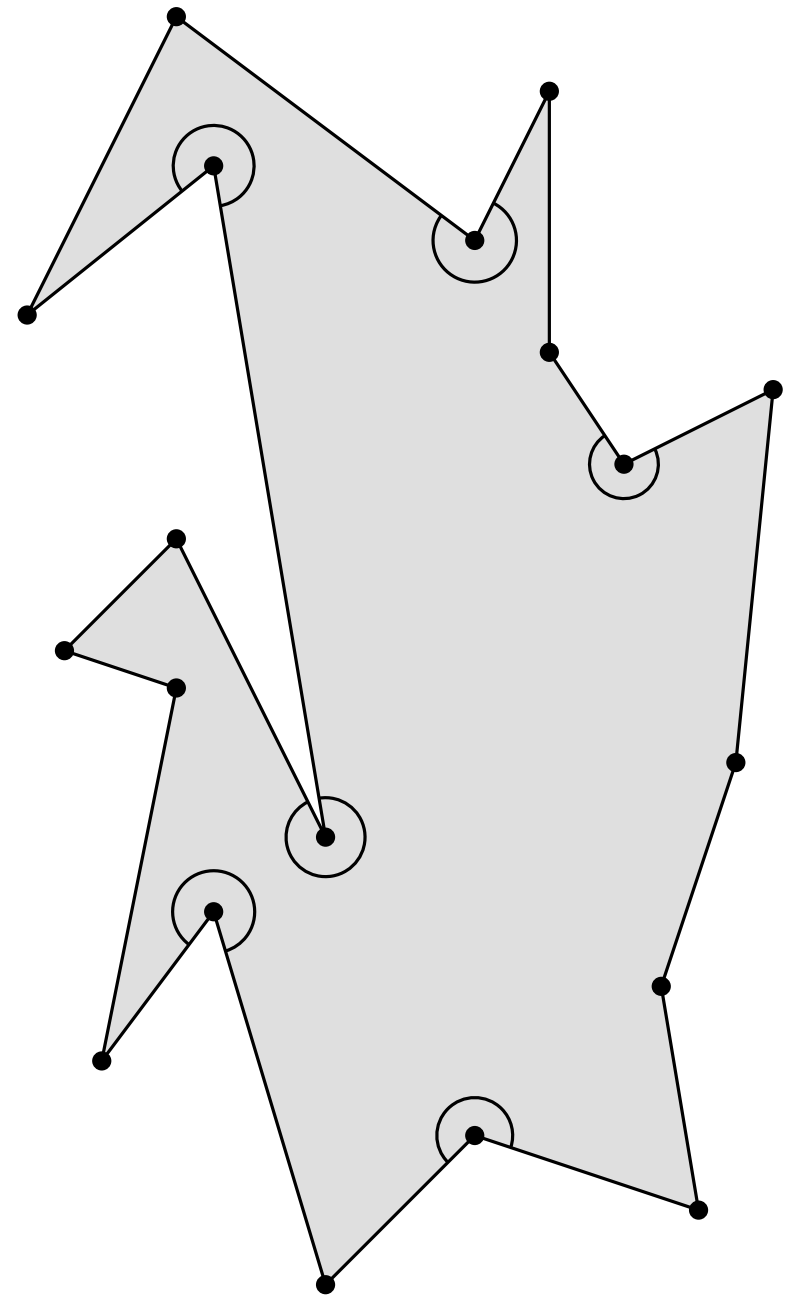
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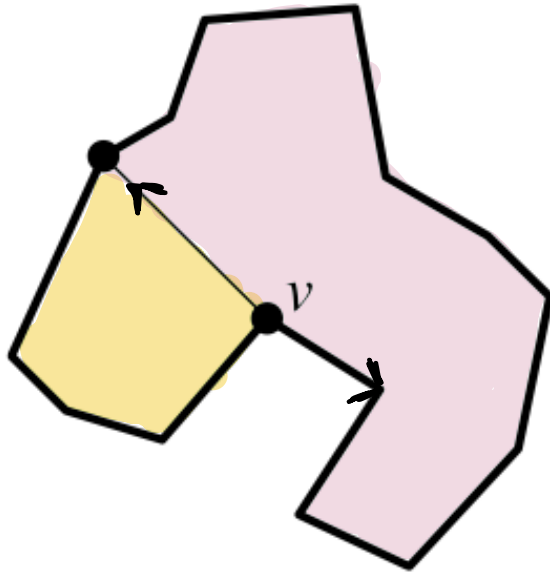
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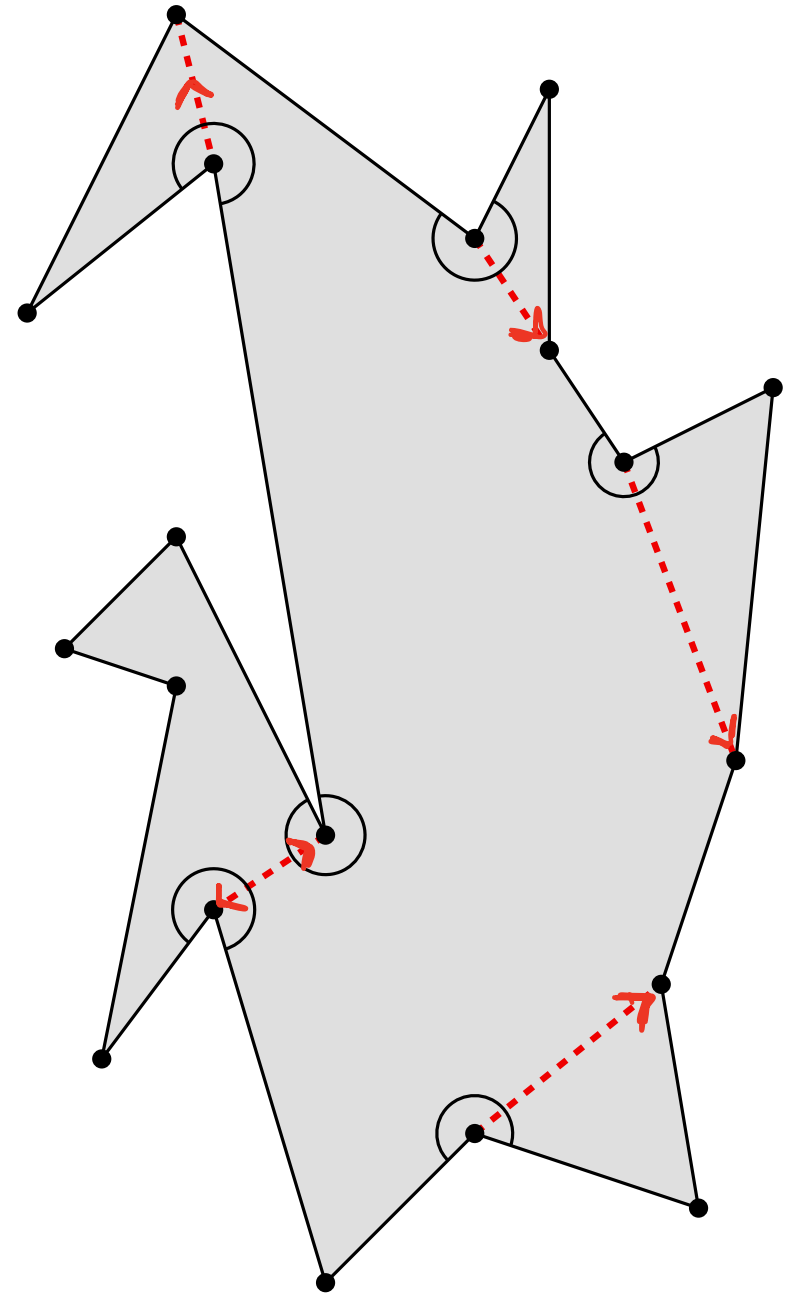
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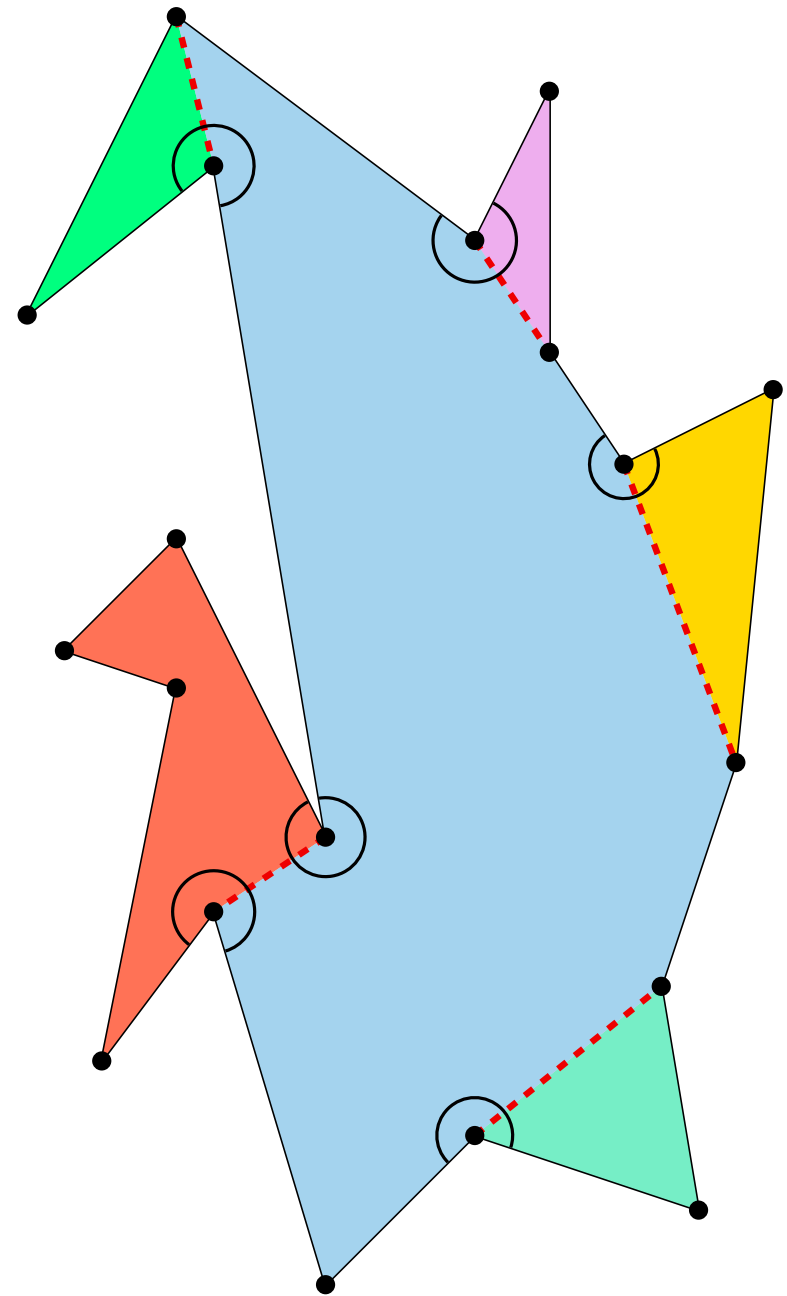
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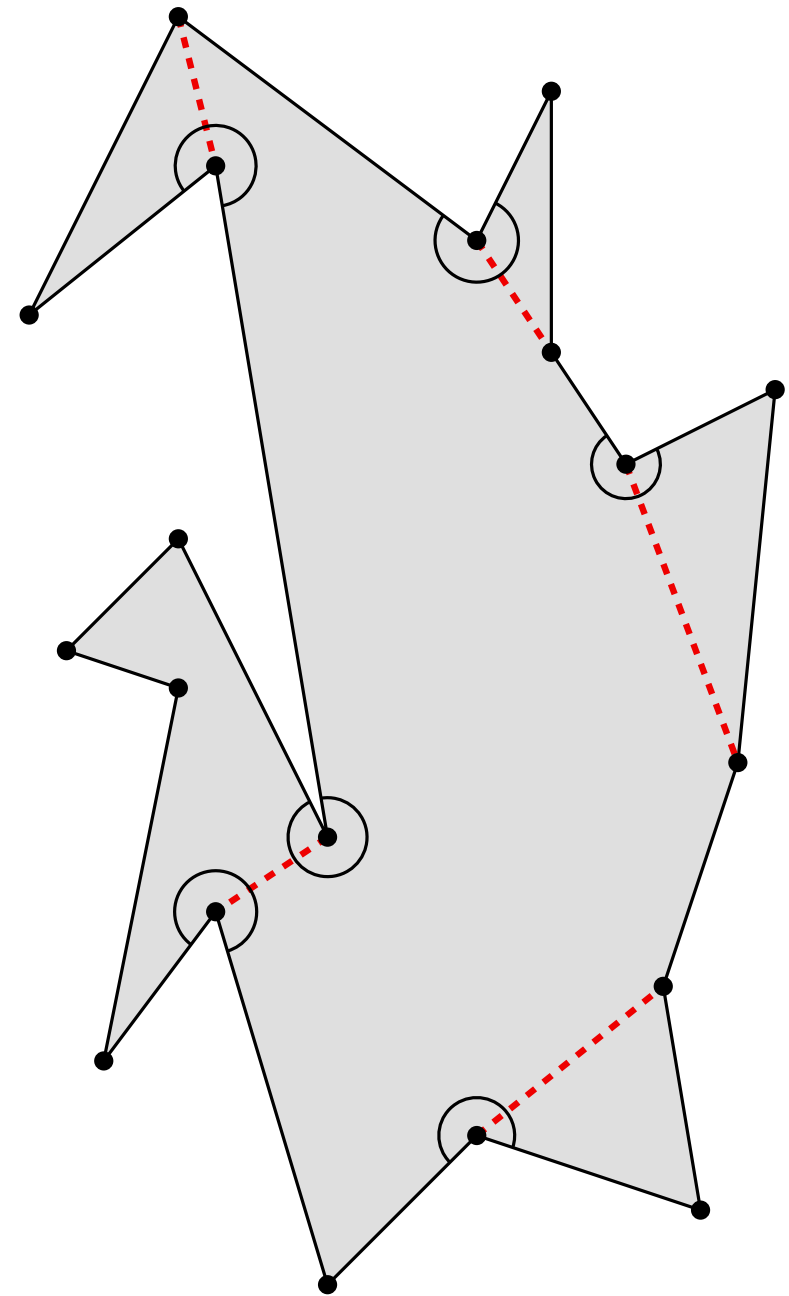


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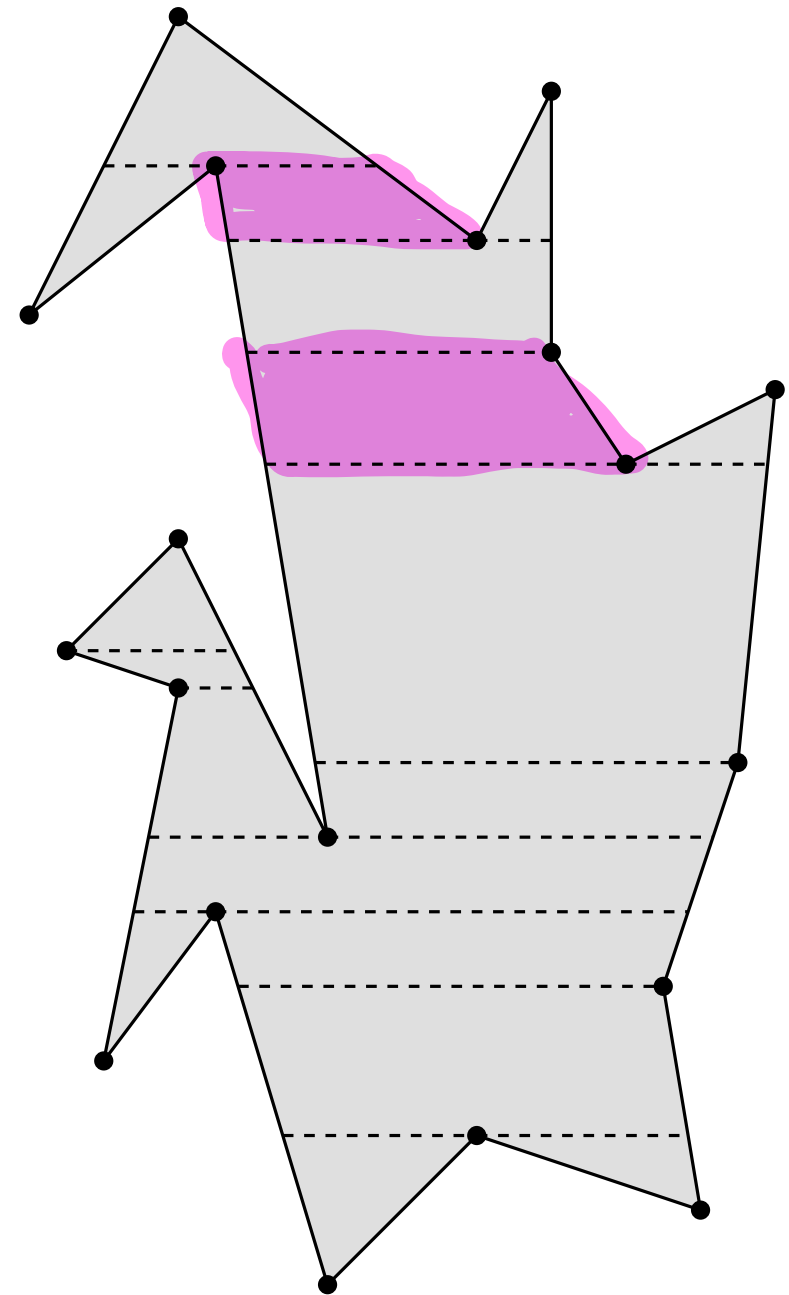


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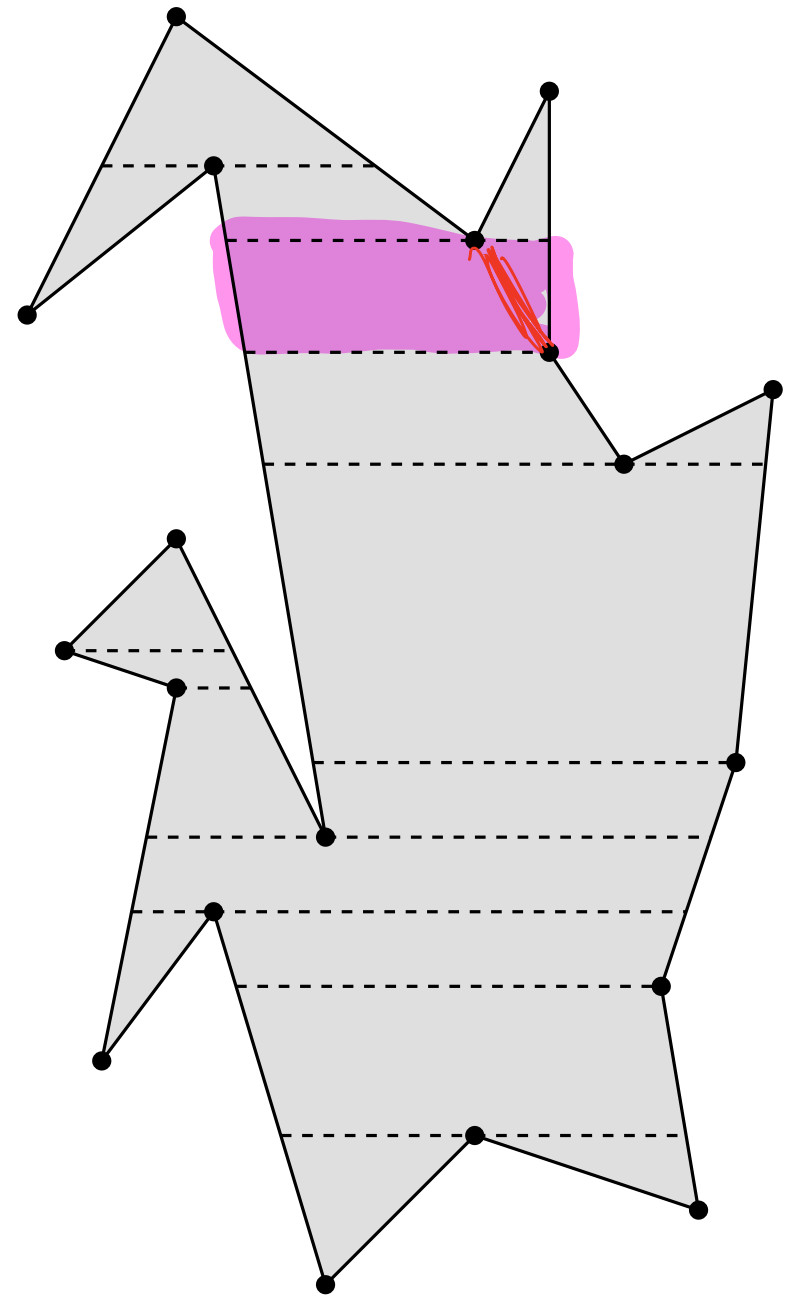
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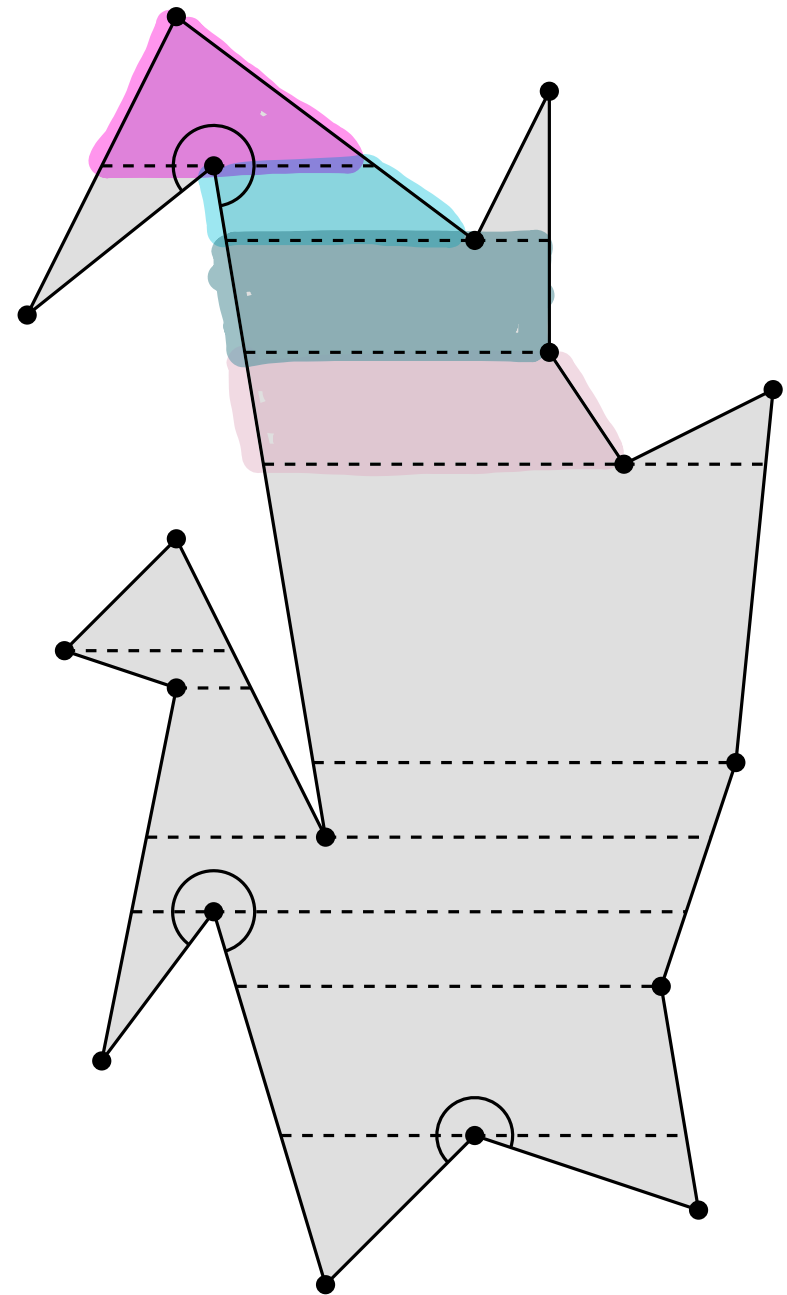
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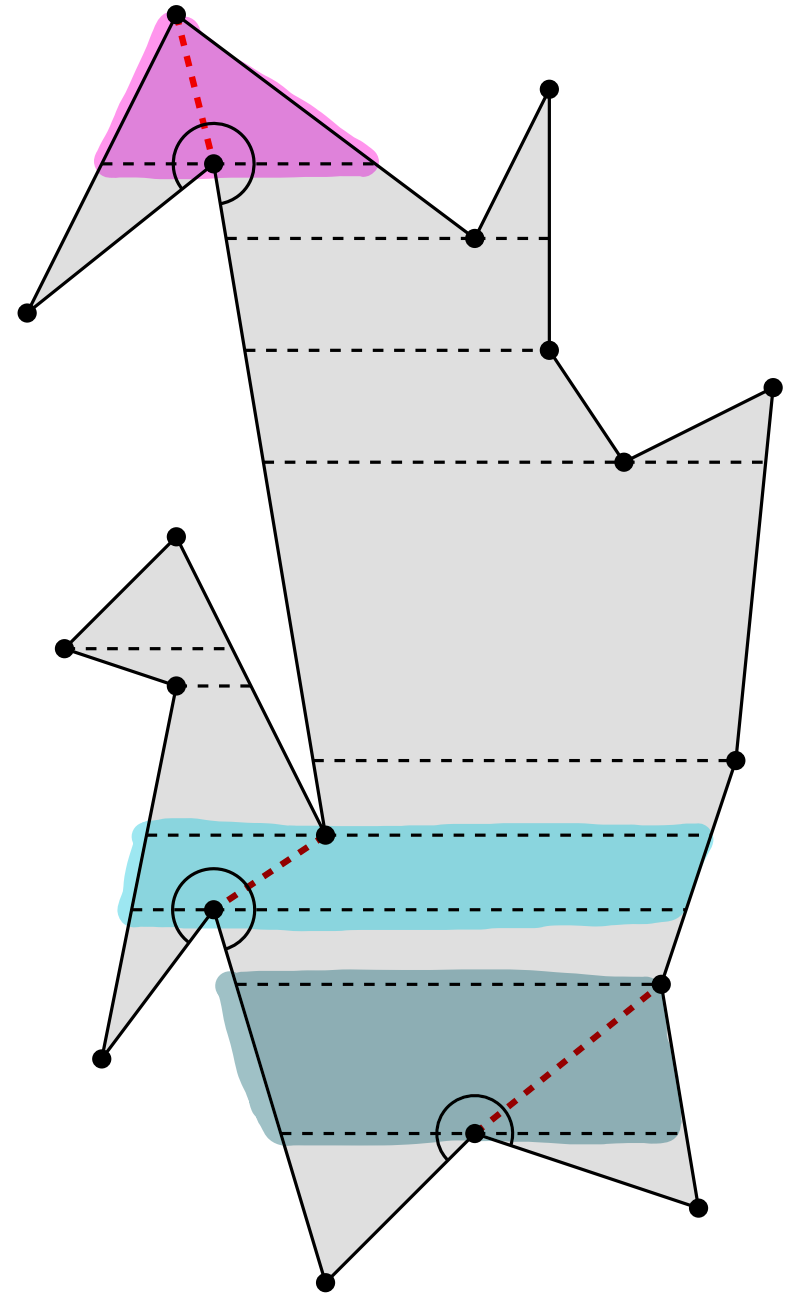
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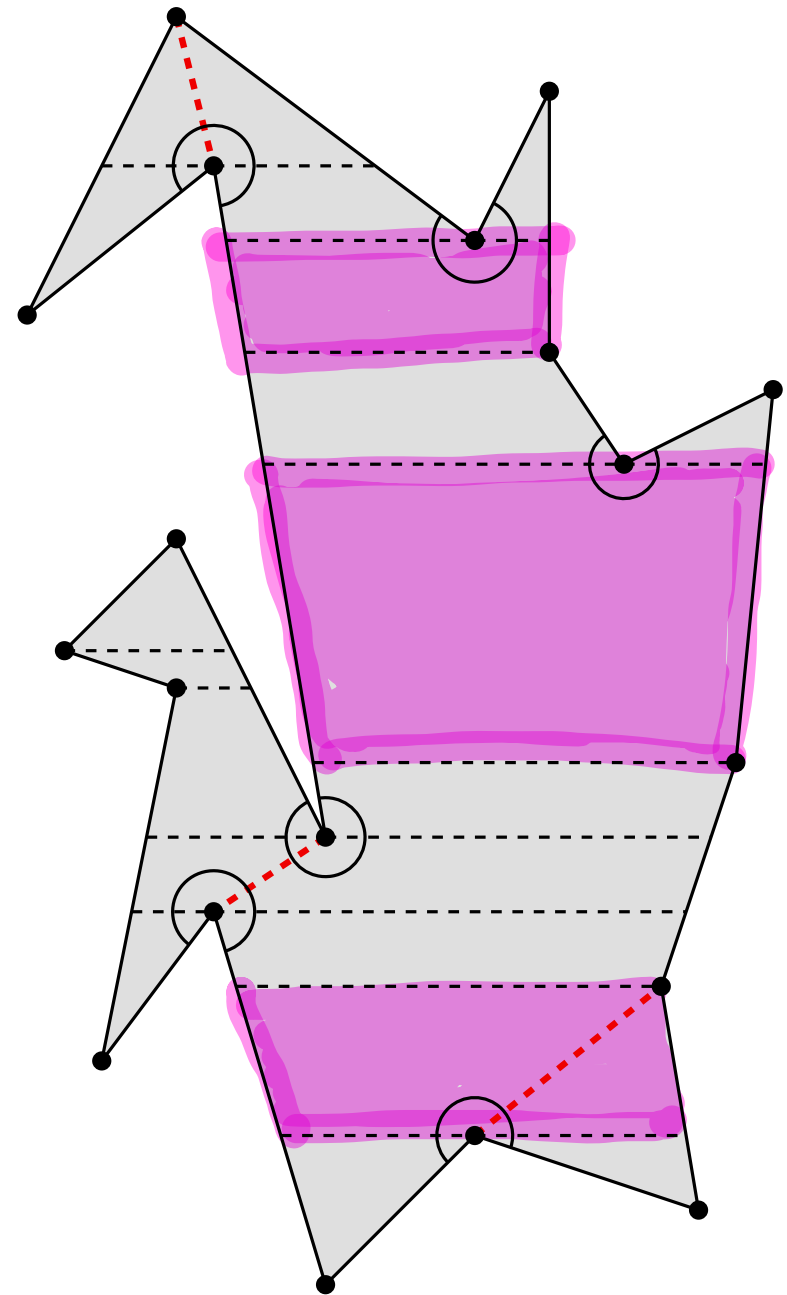
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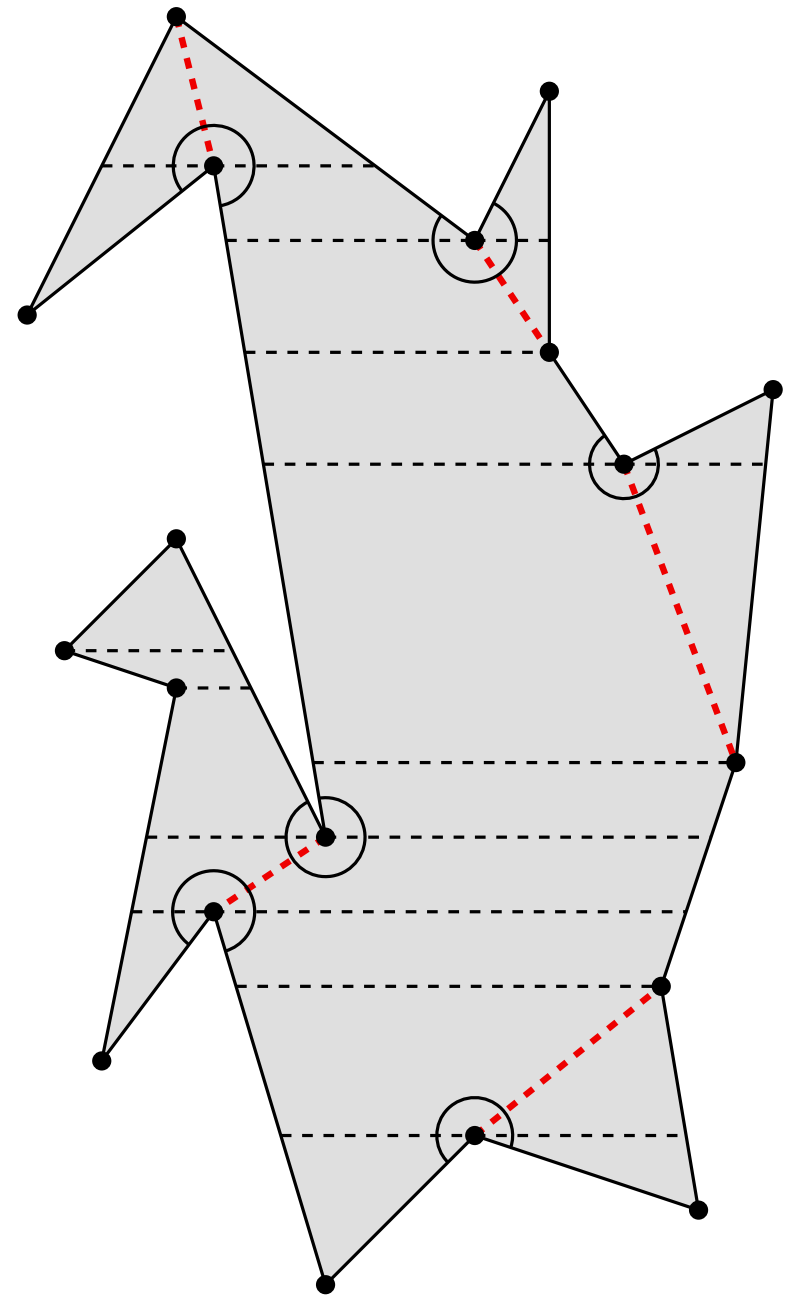
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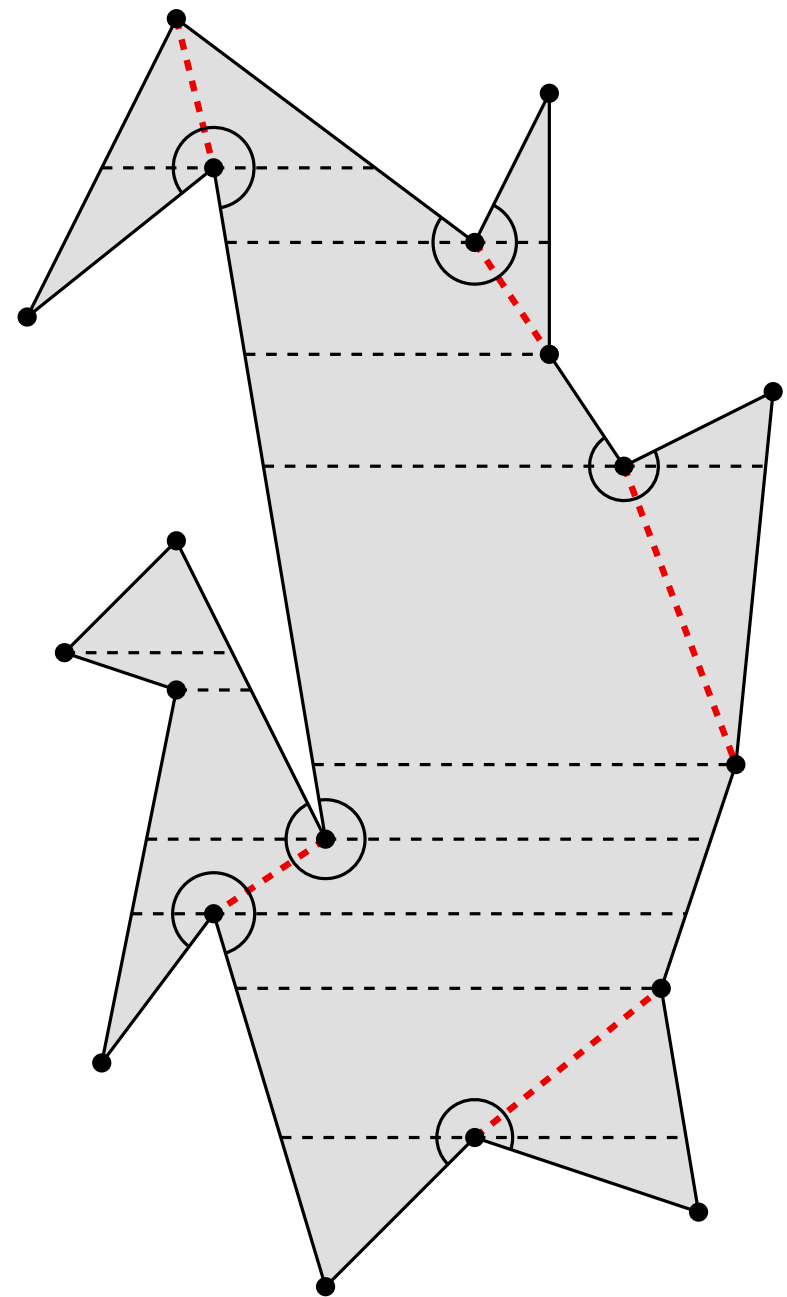
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This gives rise to a correct algorithm:

- The diagonals do not intersect, because they belong to different trapezoids.
- The polygon ends up decomposed into monotone subpolygons.

Sweep line algorithm



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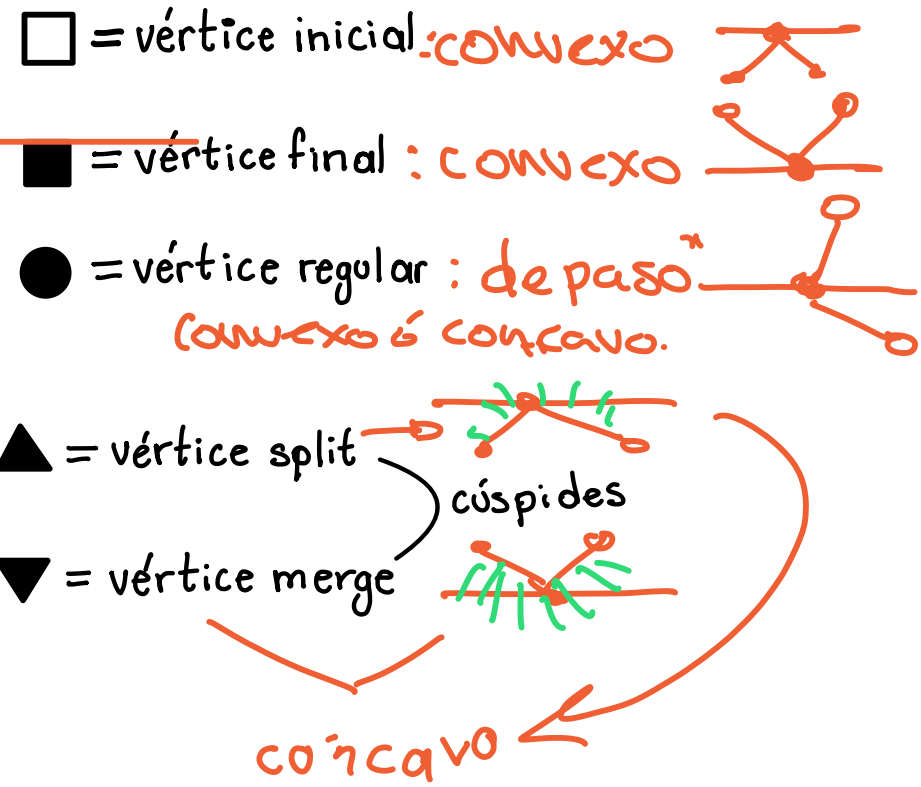
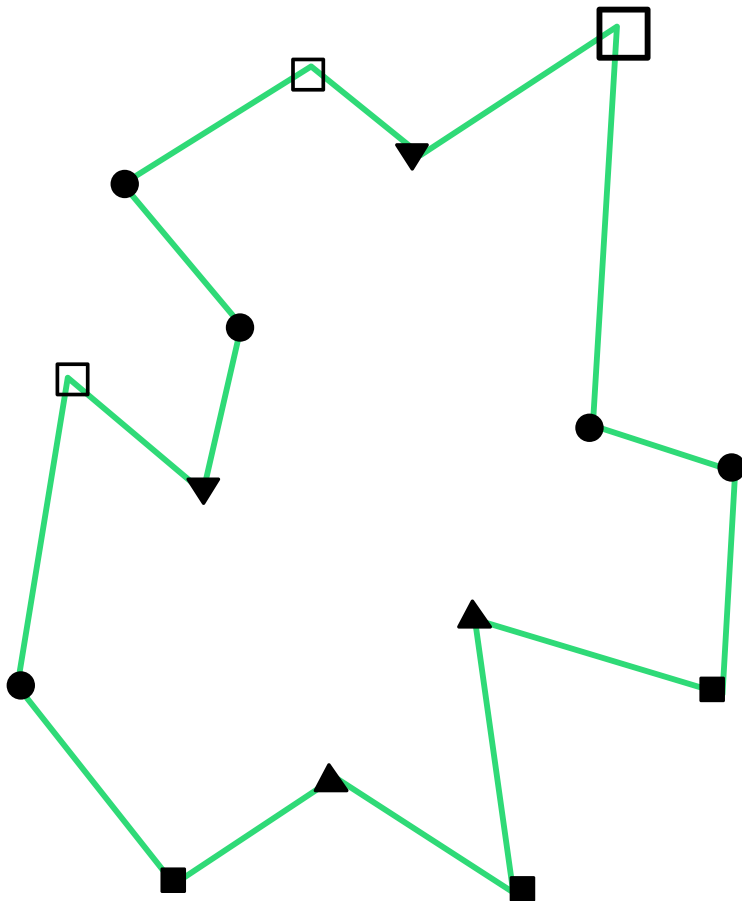
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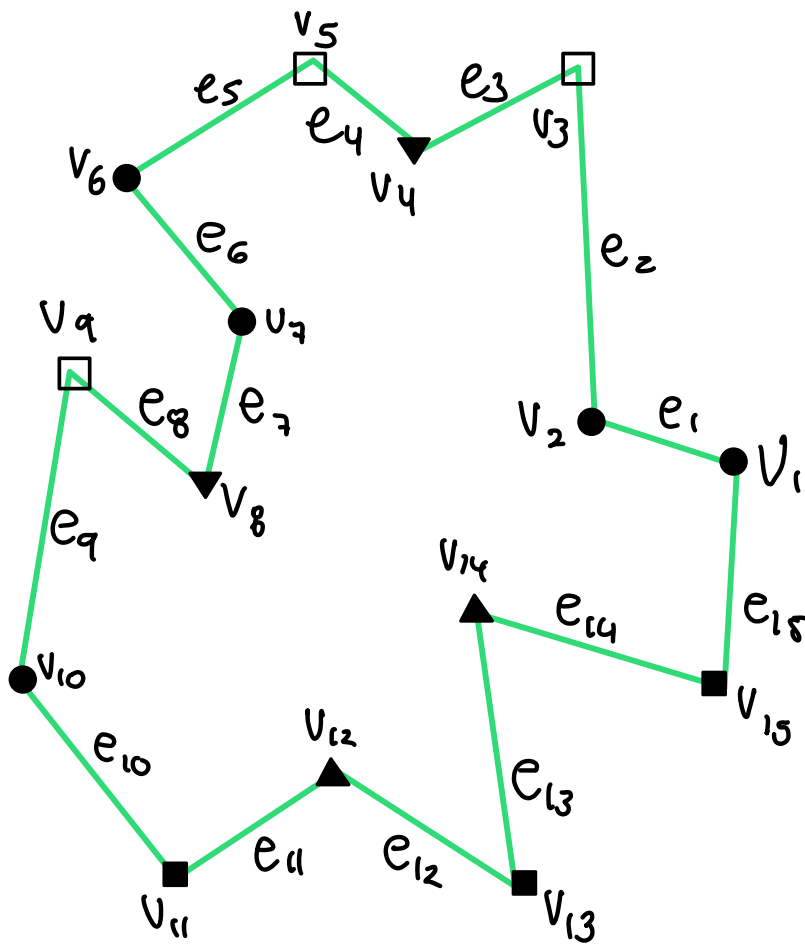
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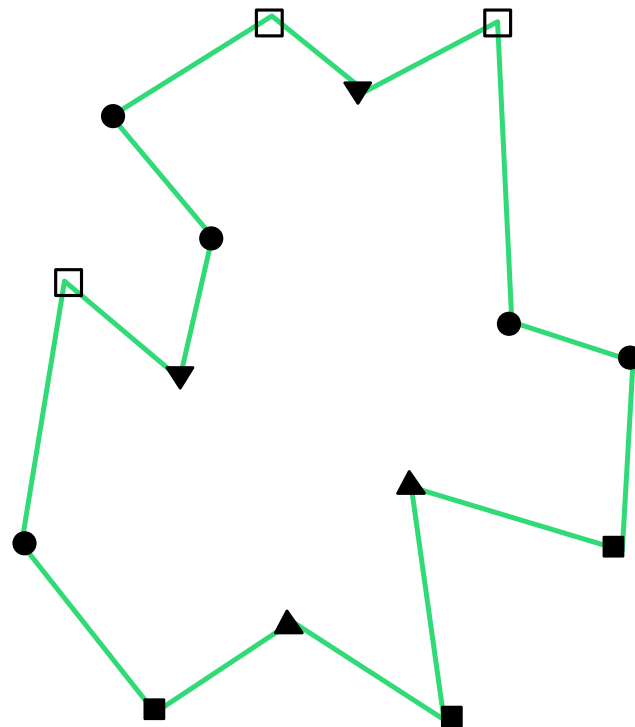


- Eventos: vértices de P . (no se crean eventos durante el barrido.)
- Pila de eventos Q .
- Q es una cola de prioridad, la prioridad de un evento es su coord. y .
- Siguiente evento $O(\lg n)$ si no se ordenan y $O(1)$ si se ordenan.

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¿Cómo agregamos las diagonales?



□ = vértice inicial

■ = vértice final

● = vértice regular

▲ = vértice split

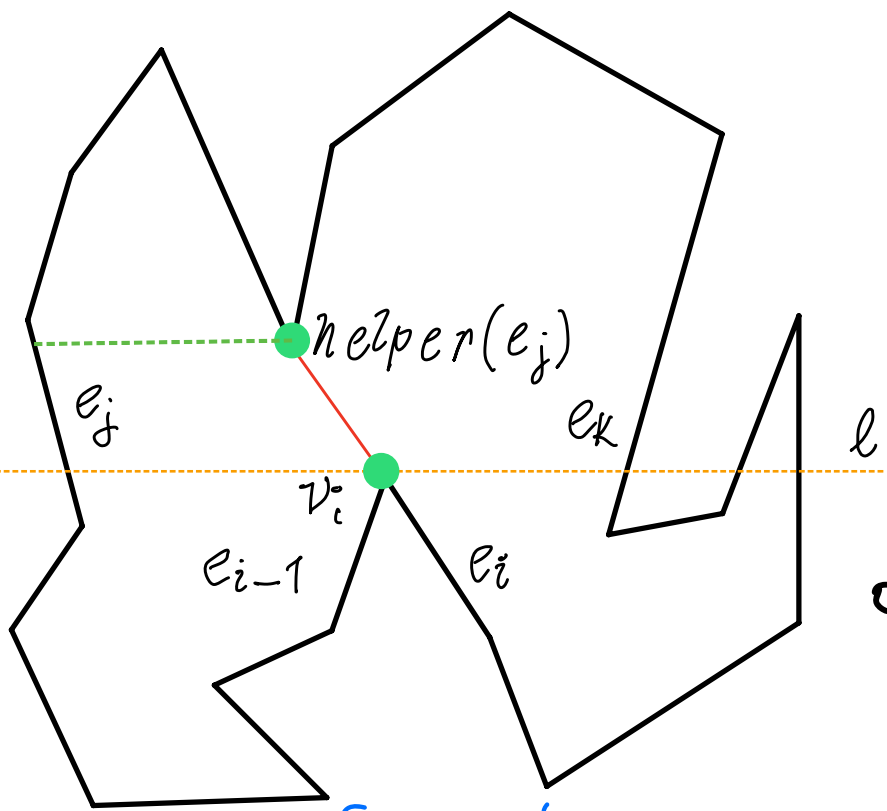
▼ = vértice merge

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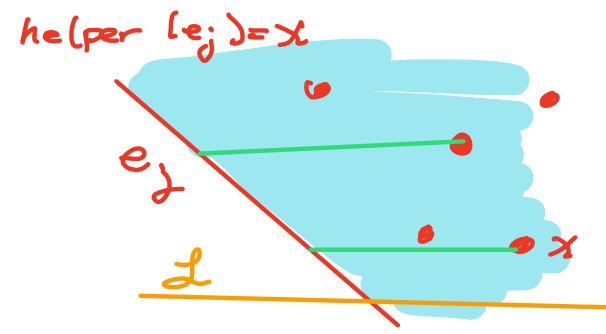
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vértice split



o Agregar diagonales desde cada vértice split hacia un vértice arriba de este.



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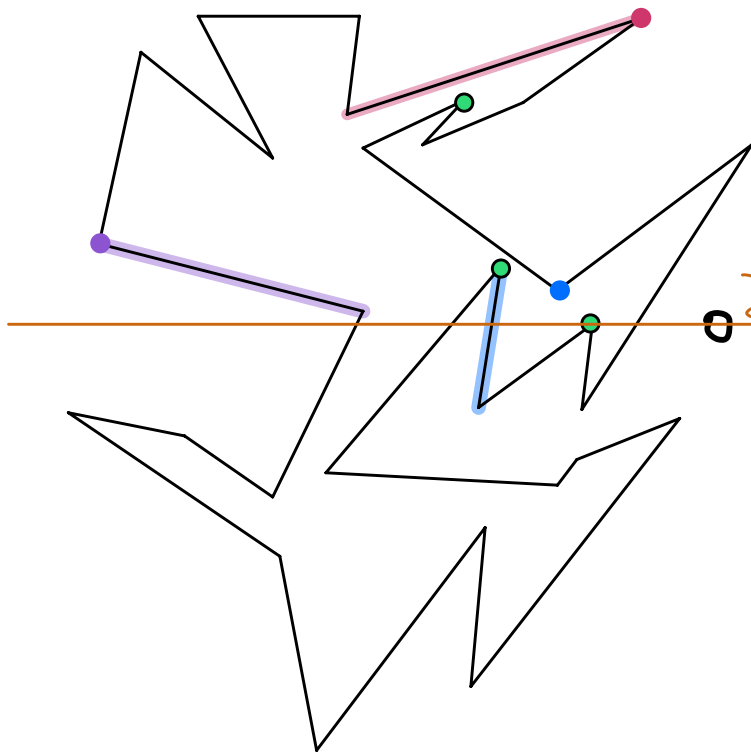
¿Por qué esto es una diagonal?

($helper(e_j)$ podría ser el extremo superior de e_j)

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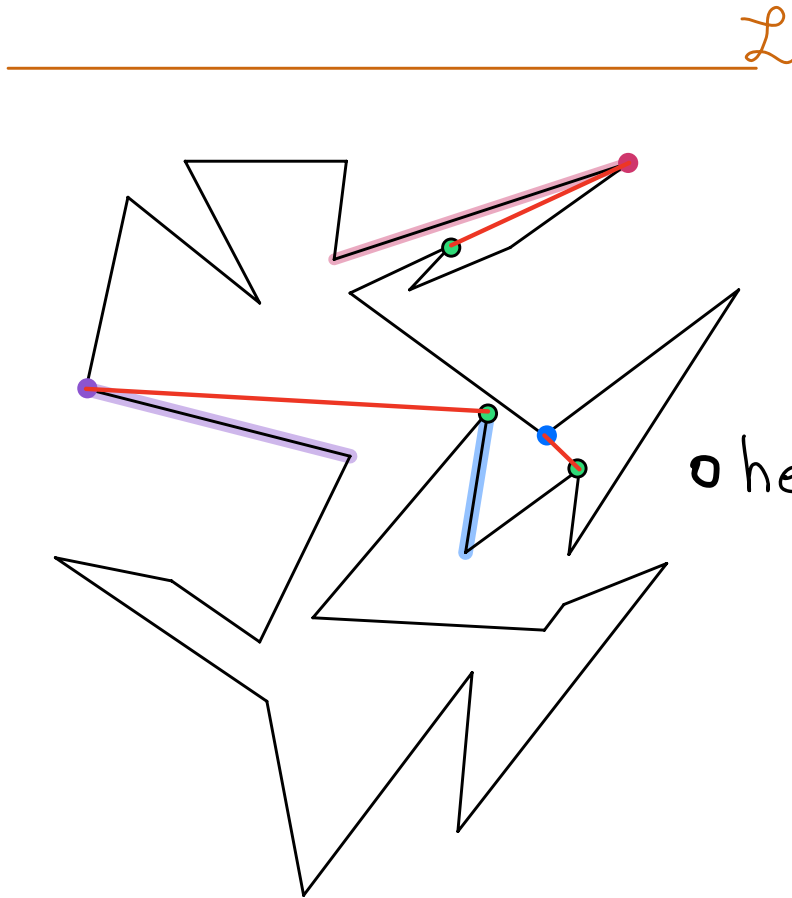


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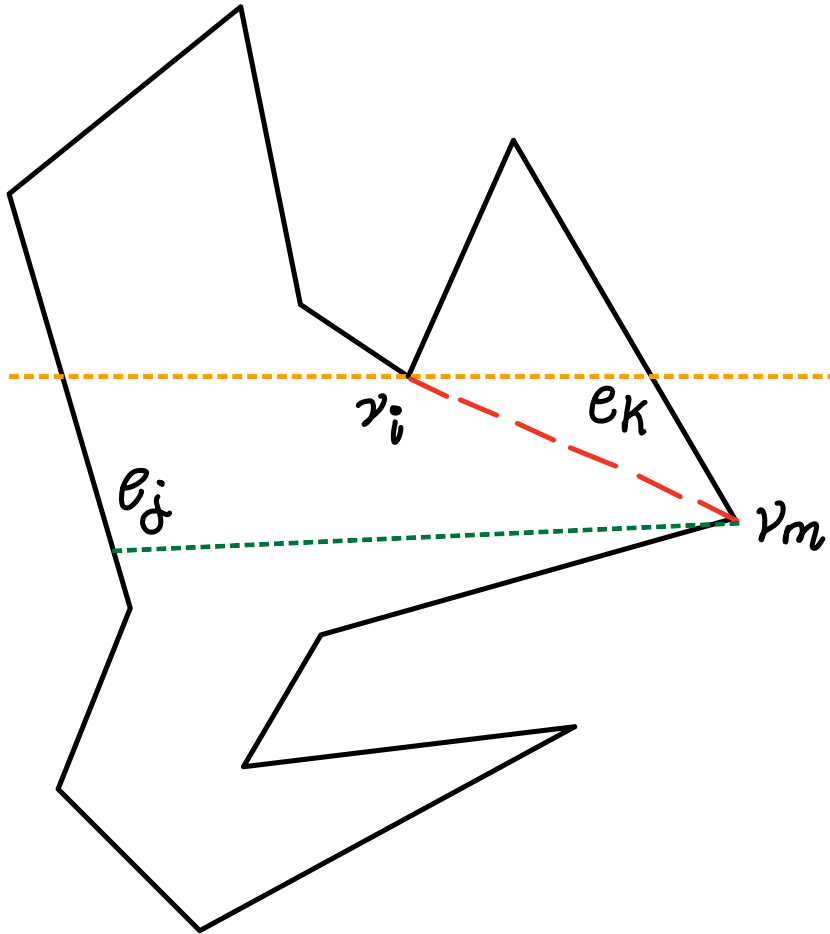
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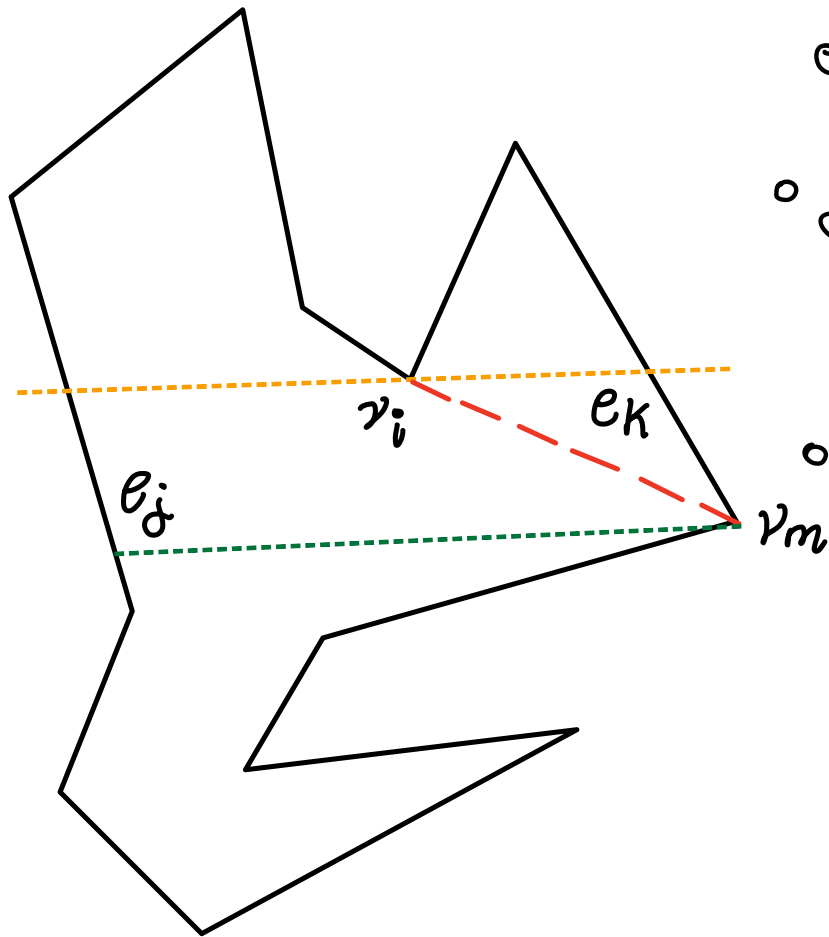
- Agregar diagonales desde cada vértice merge hacia un vértice abajo de este.
- Deseamos conectar v_i con el vértice más alto, entre e_j y e_k , que está por debajo de l , ya que la recta horizontal que lo conecta con e_j queda contenida en el interior de P .
 - No lo hemos explorado.

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vértice merge



- Supongamos que hasta antes de llegar a v_m el ayudante de e_j es v_i .
- Y que cuando lleguemos a v_m este reemplaza a v_i como ayudante de e_j .
- Conectamos a v_i con v_m .

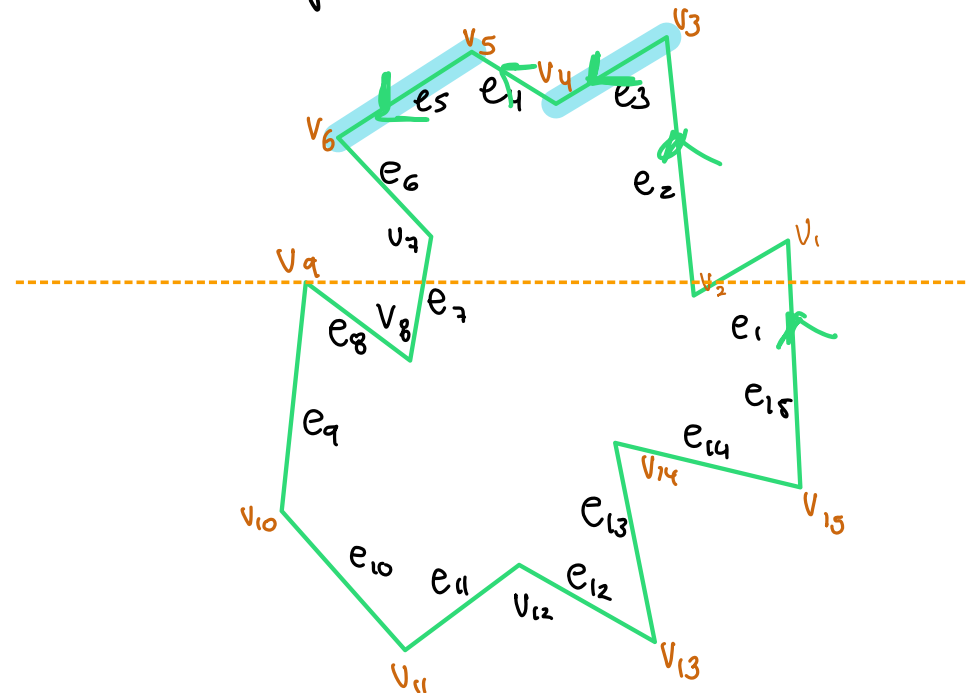
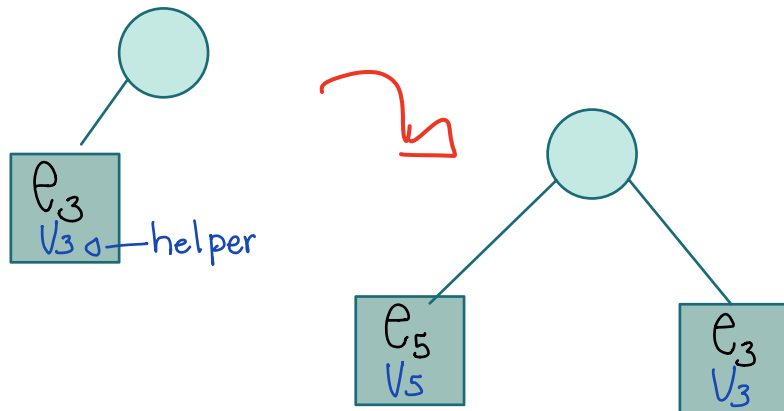
◦ Por qué es una diagonal?

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Monotone partition

- Además de Q necesitamos una estructura para almacenar el status del algoritmo:
La intersección de la recta con P .
- Árbol binario de búsqueda (dinámico).

- Almacena aristas.



No almacenaremos todas las aristas,
únicamente aquellas que dejen el polígono
a su izquierda

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Monotone partition

Algorithm MAKEMONOTONE(\mathcal{P})

Input. A simple polygon \mathcal{P} stored in a doubly-connected edge list \mathcal{D} .

Output. A partitioning of \mathcal{P} into monotone subpolygons, stored in \mathcal{D} .

1. Construct a priority queue \mathcal{Q} on the vertices of \mathcal{P} , using their y -coordinates as priority. If two points have the same y -coordinate, the one with smaller x -coordinate has higher priority.
2. Initialize an empty binary search tree \mathcal{T} .
3. **while** \mathcal{Q} is not empty
4. **do** Remove the vertex v_i with the highest priority from \mathcal{Q} .
5. Call the appropriate procedure to handle the vertex, depending on its type.

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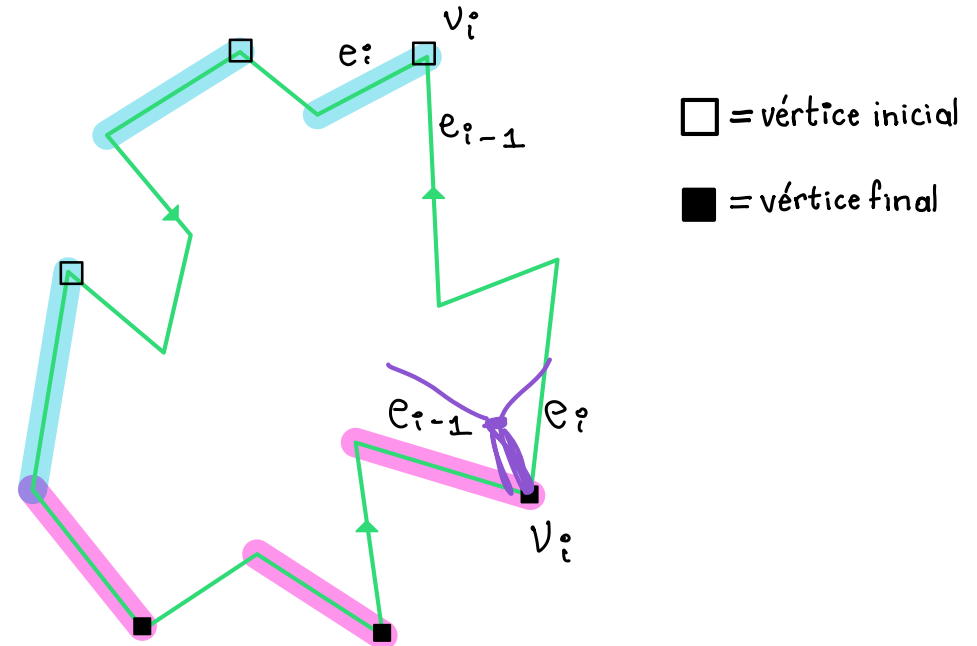
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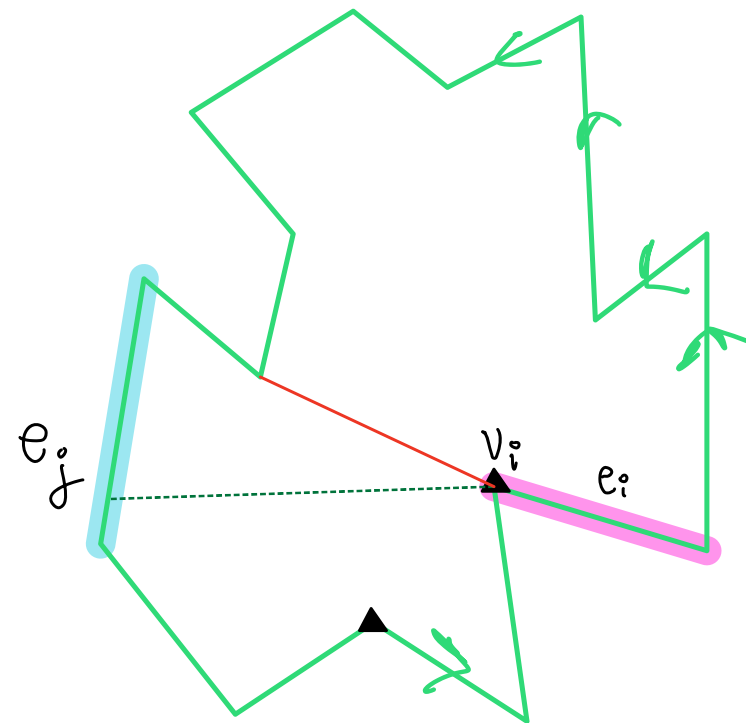
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¿Cómo podemos estar seguros de que e_j está en el árbol?
¿Por qué v_i $helper(e_j)$ es una diagonal?



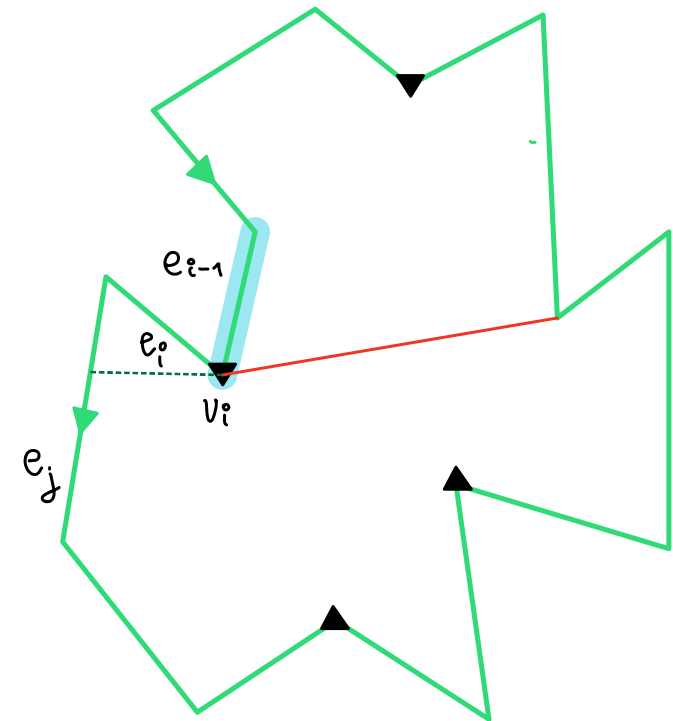
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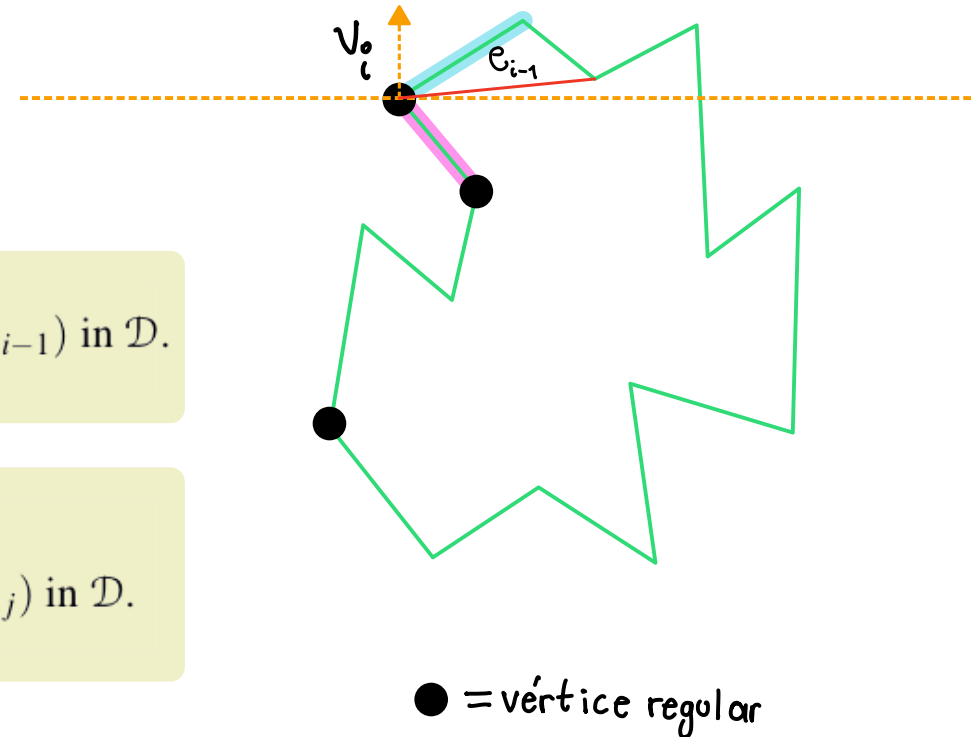
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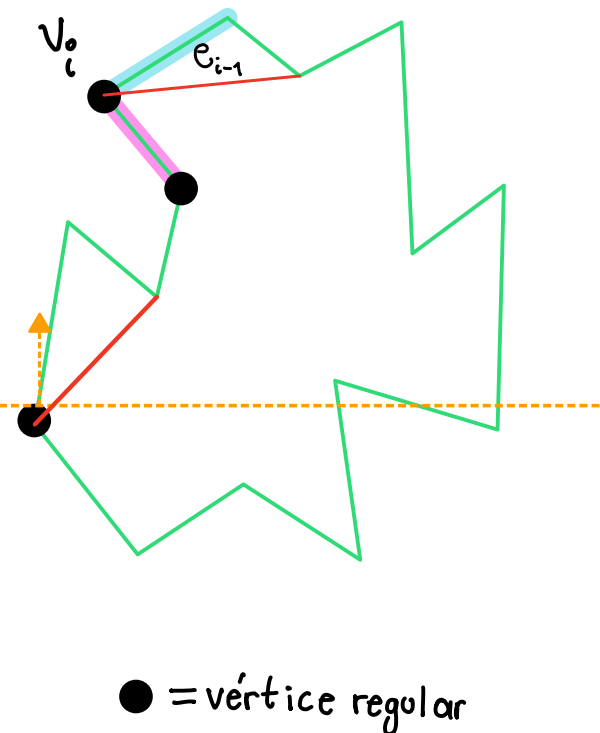
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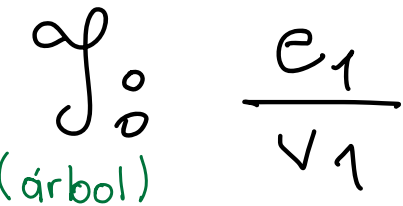
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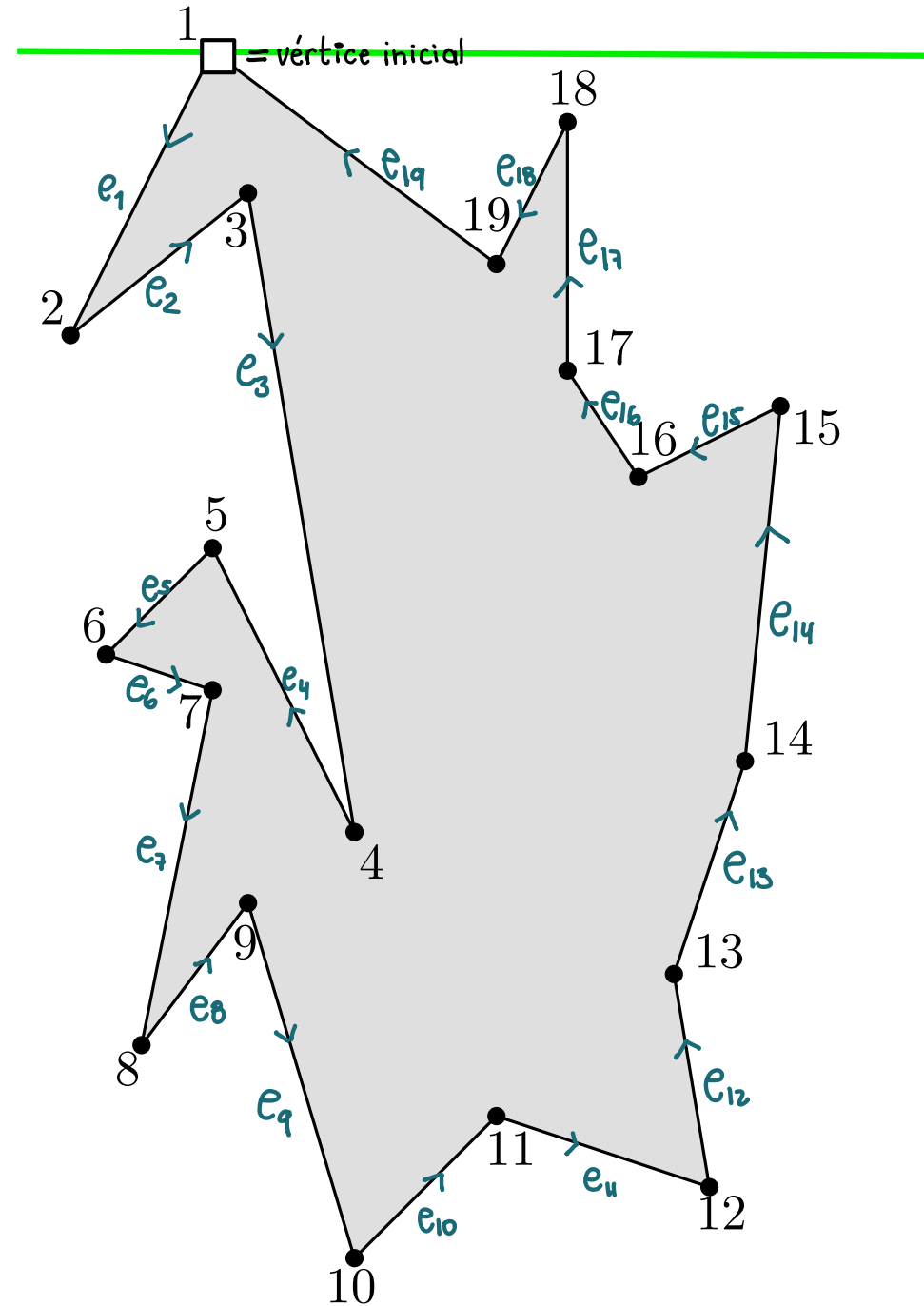
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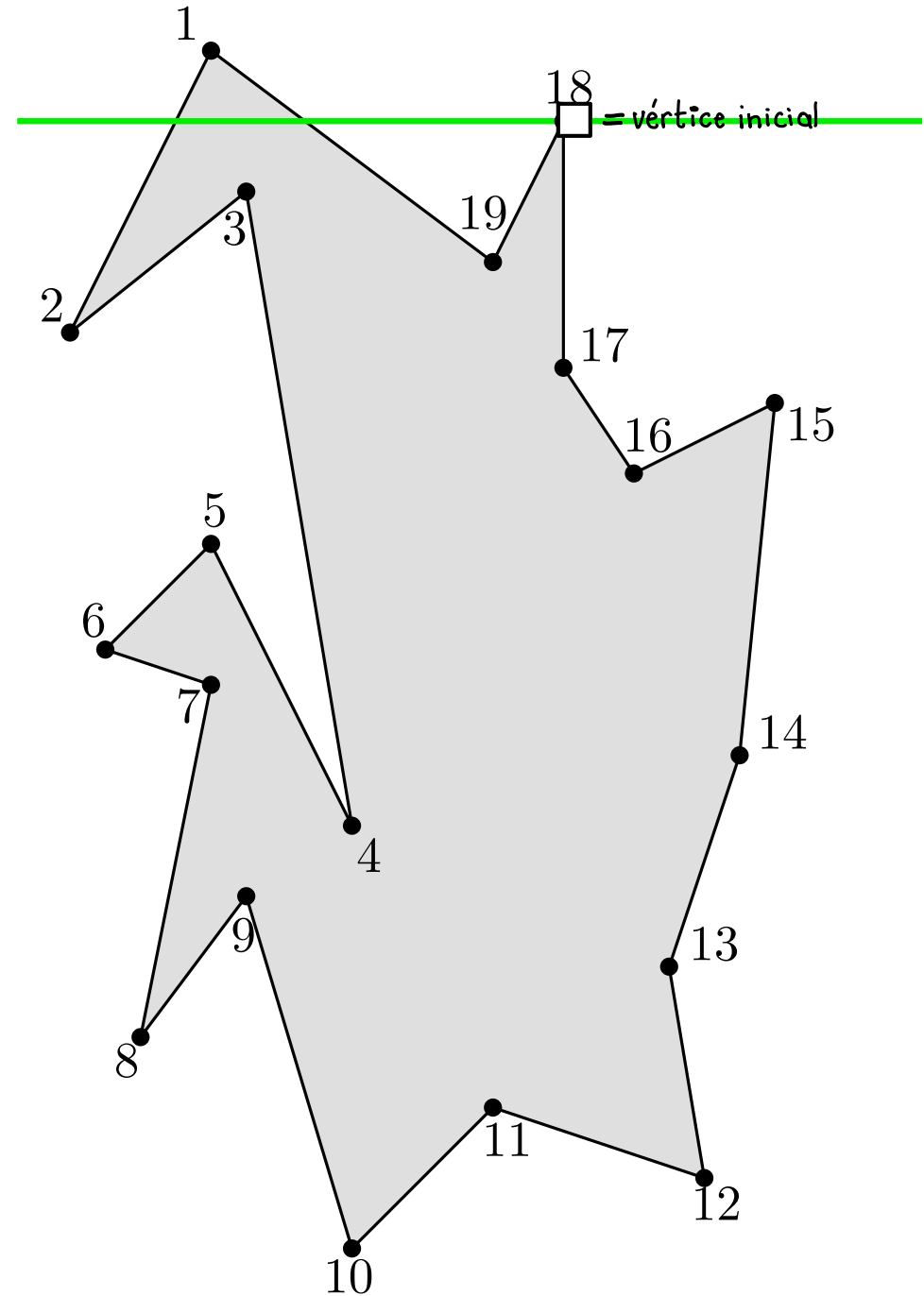
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① :

f_0 $\frac{e_1}{v_1}$; $\frac{e_{18}}{v_{18}}$

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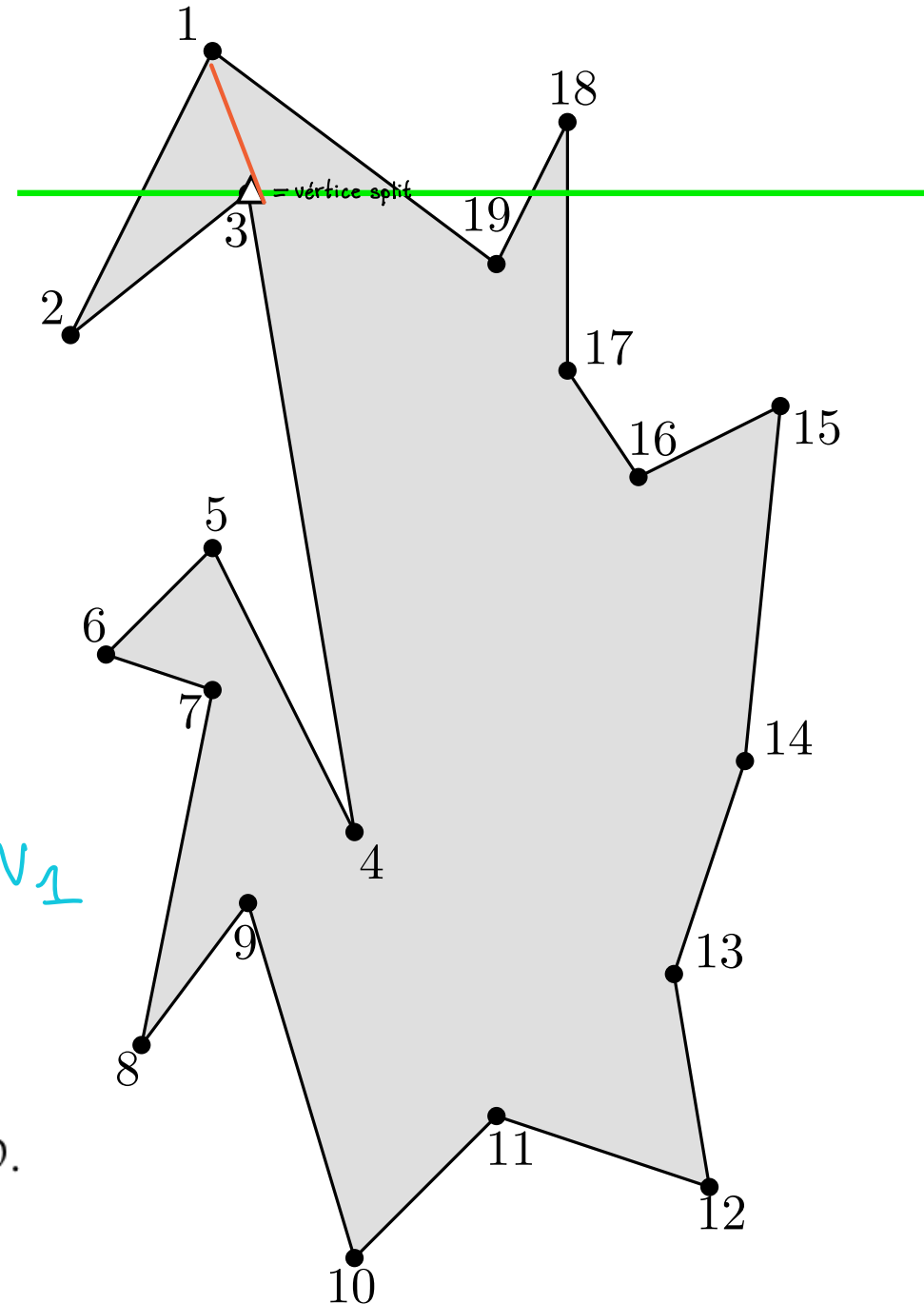
① :

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{e_1}{v_3}, \frac{e_{18}}{v_{18}}, \frac{e_3}{v_3}$$

$$e_j = e_1 \quad \text{helper}(e_1) = v_1$$

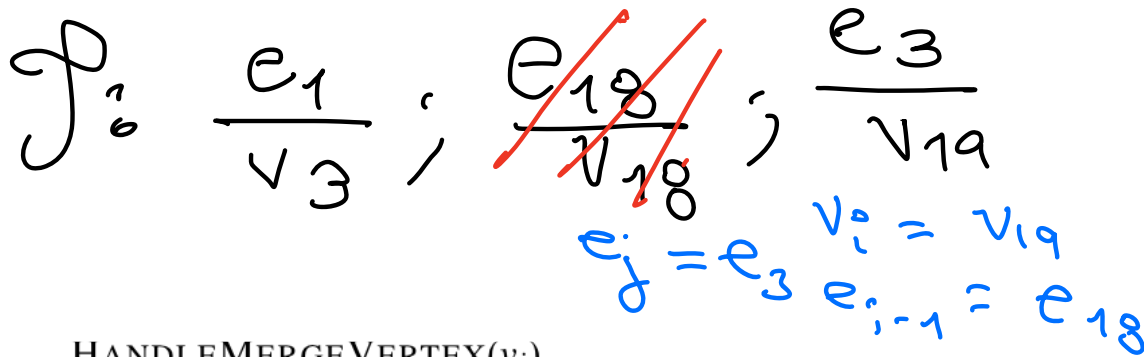
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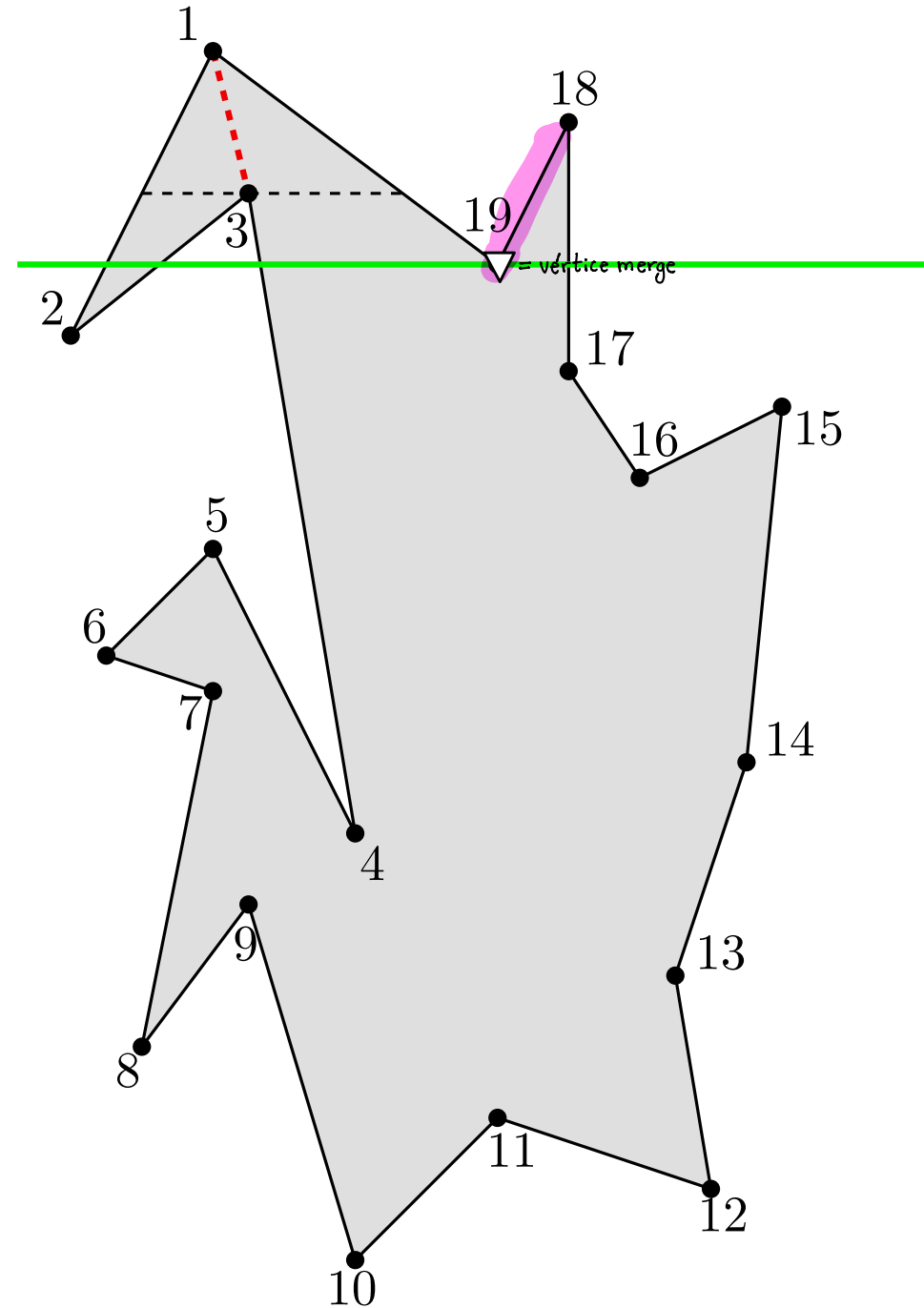
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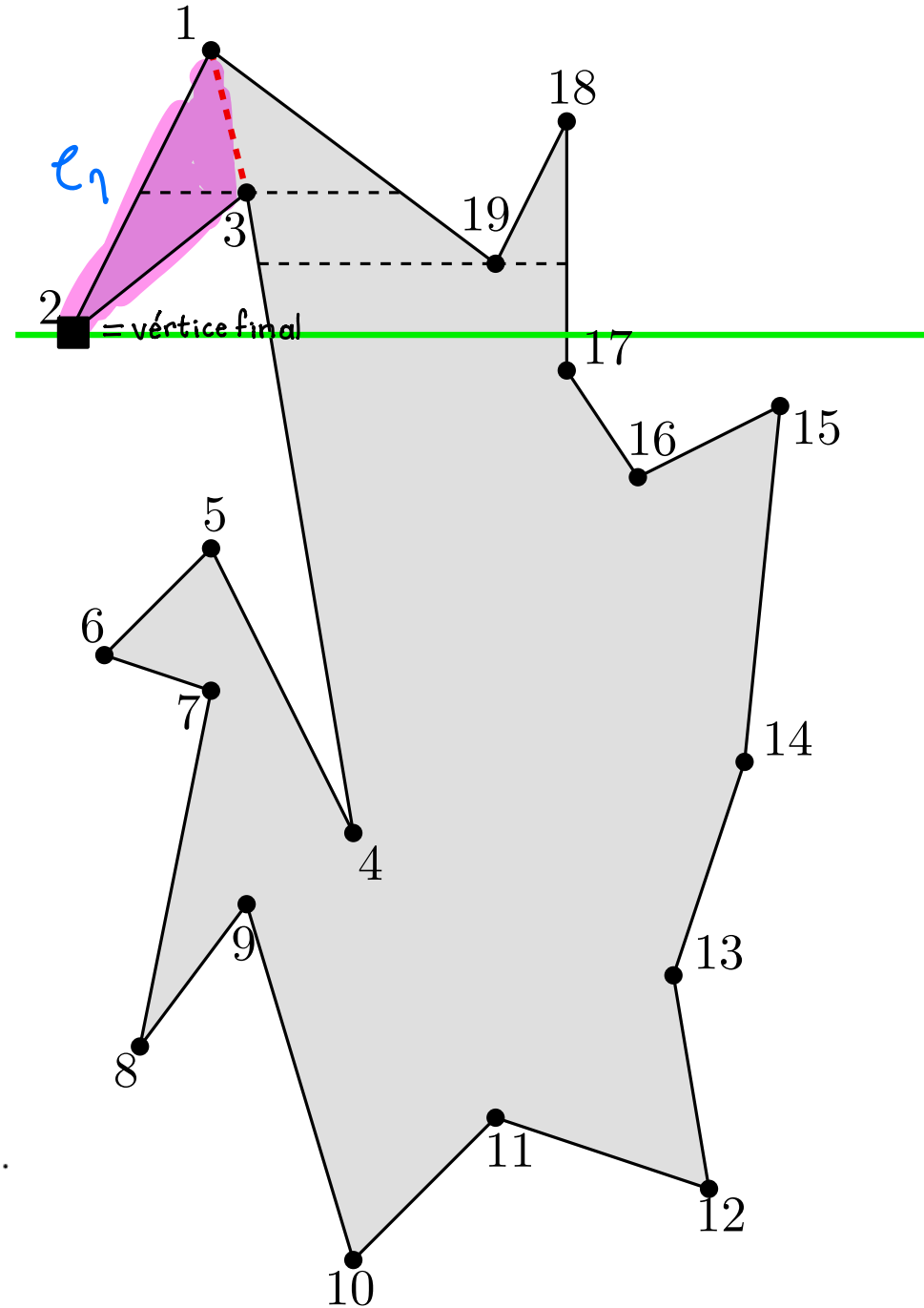
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$\mathcal{D} = (1, 3)$

$\mathcal{J}_i = \frac{e_1}{v_3}, \frac{e_{19}}{v_{10}}; \frac{e_3}{v_{19}}$
 $v_i = 2$
 $e_i = e_2$
 $e_{i-1} = e_1$

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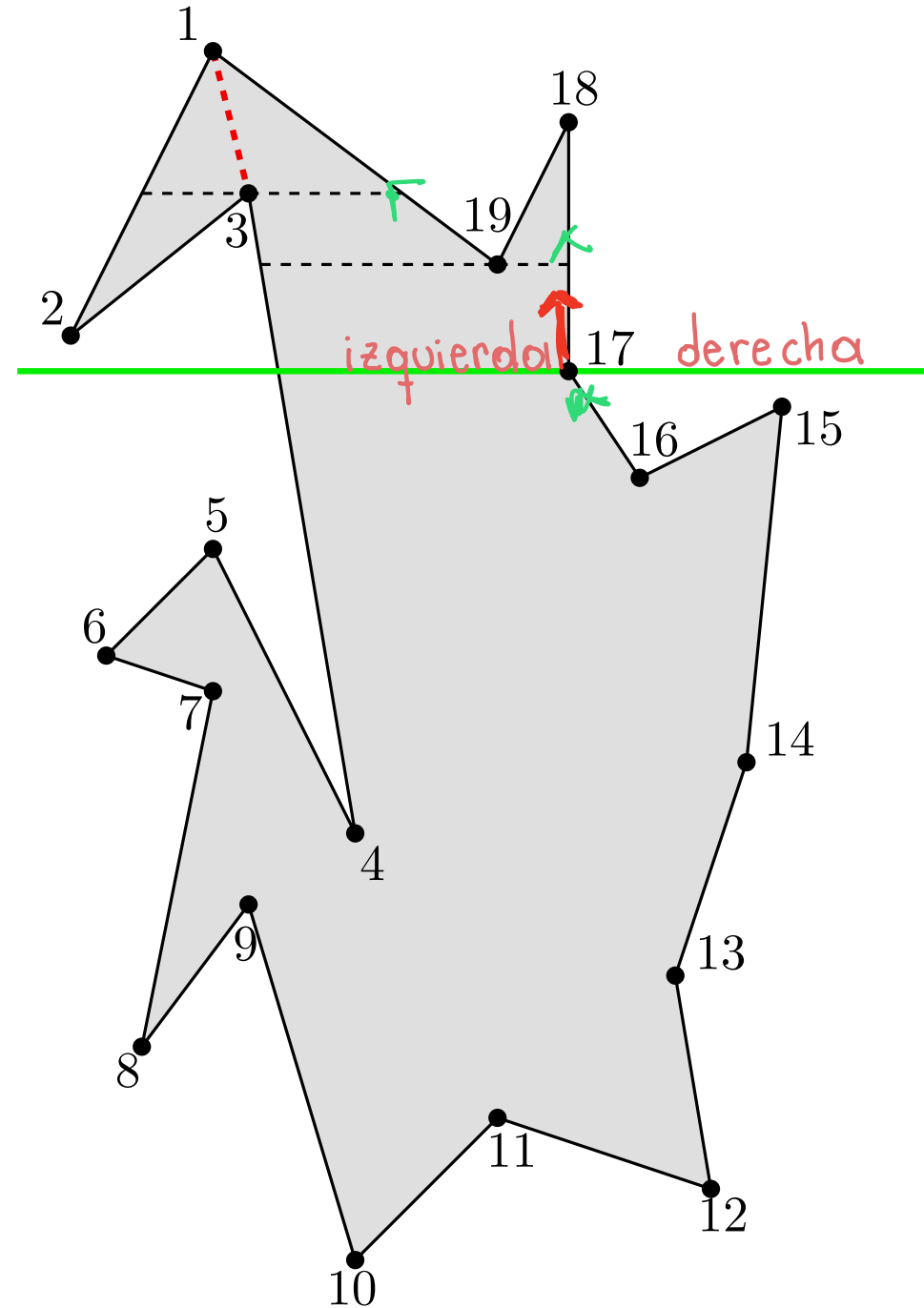
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$$J_i = \frac{e_3}{v_{19}}$$

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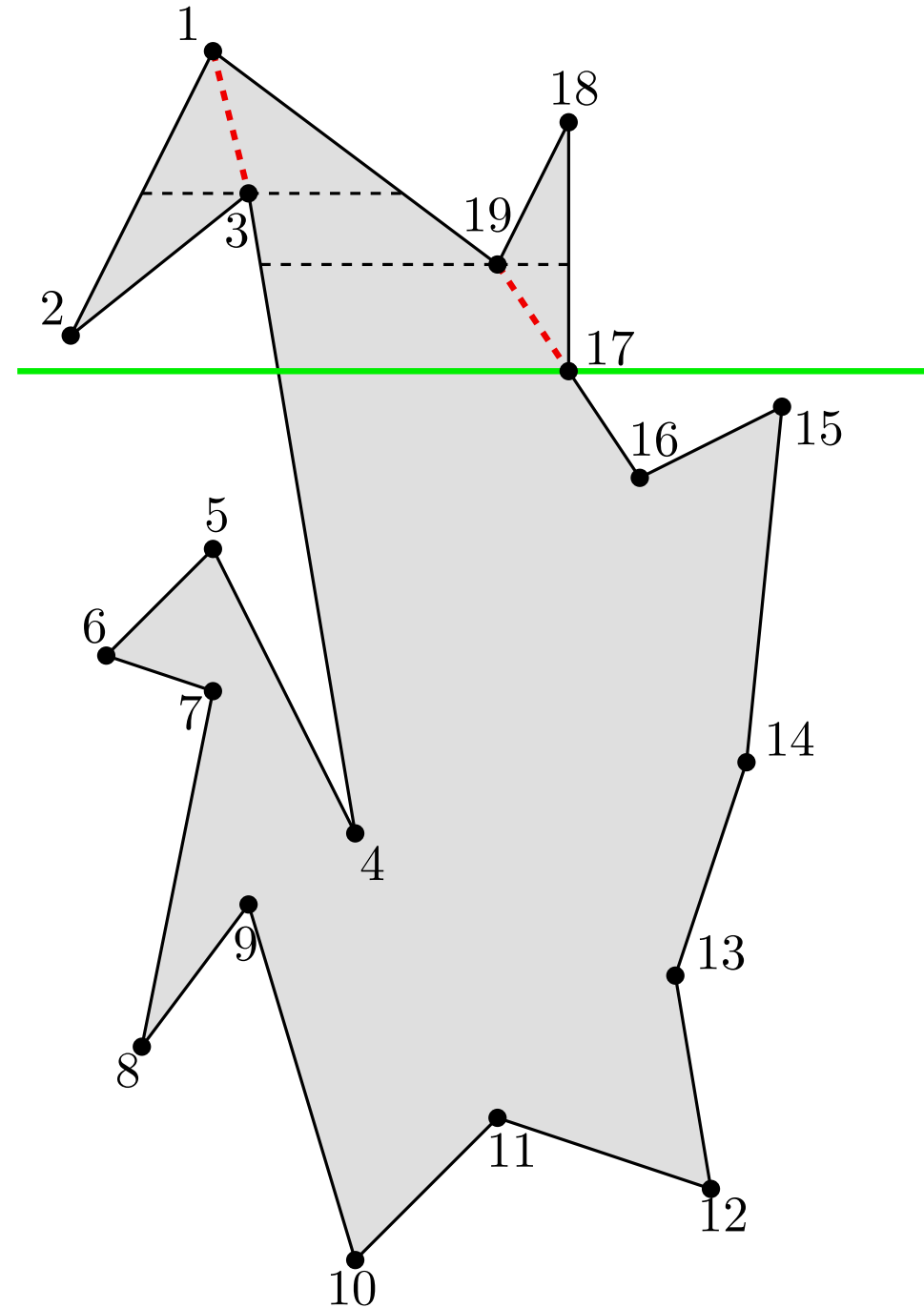
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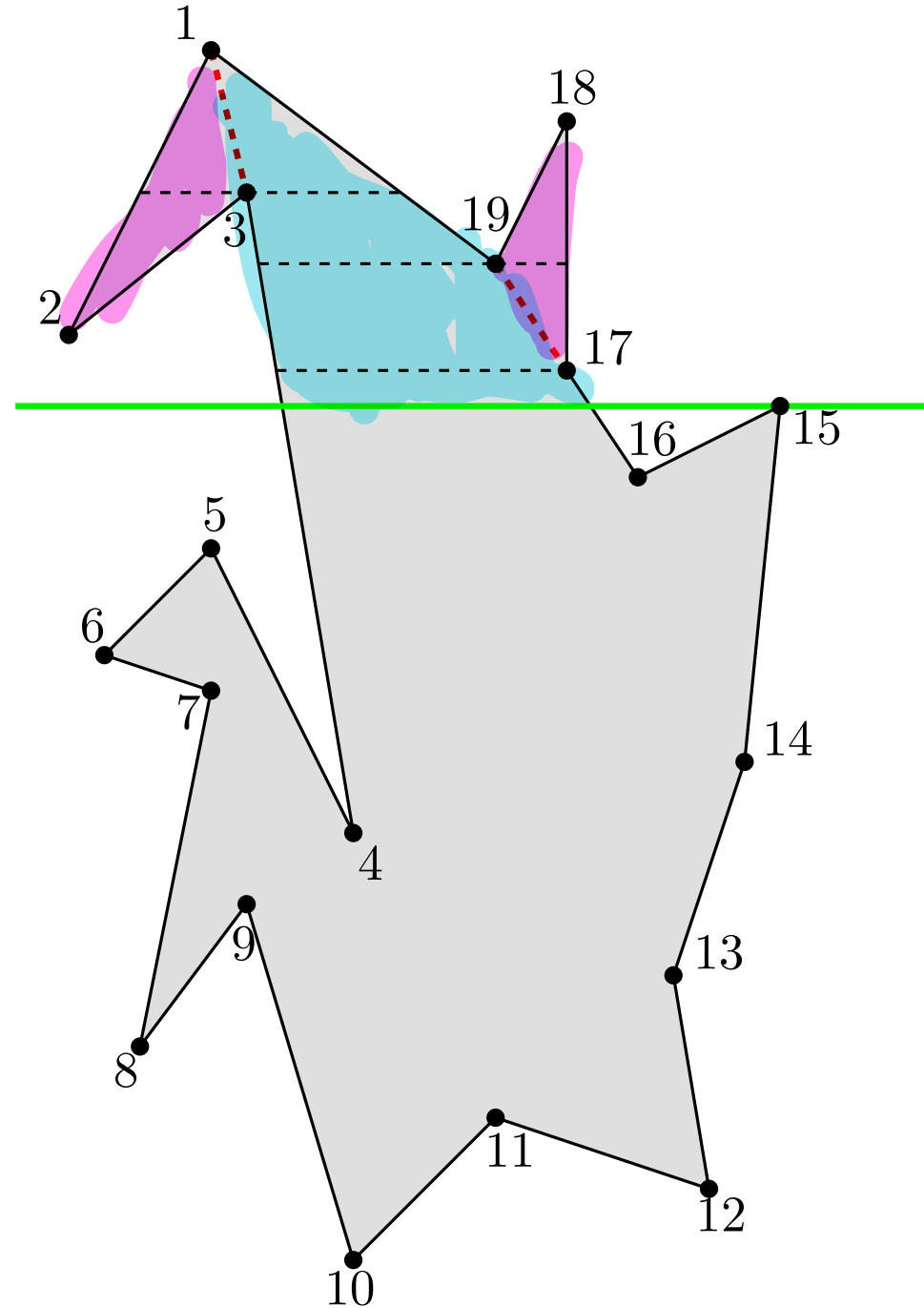
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$$\mathcal{J} := \left(\frac{e_3}{v_{17}} \right) ; \left(\frac{e_{15}}{v_{15}} \right) ;$$

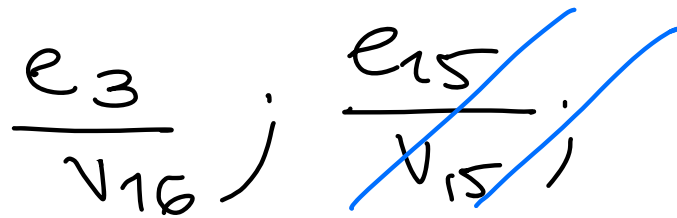
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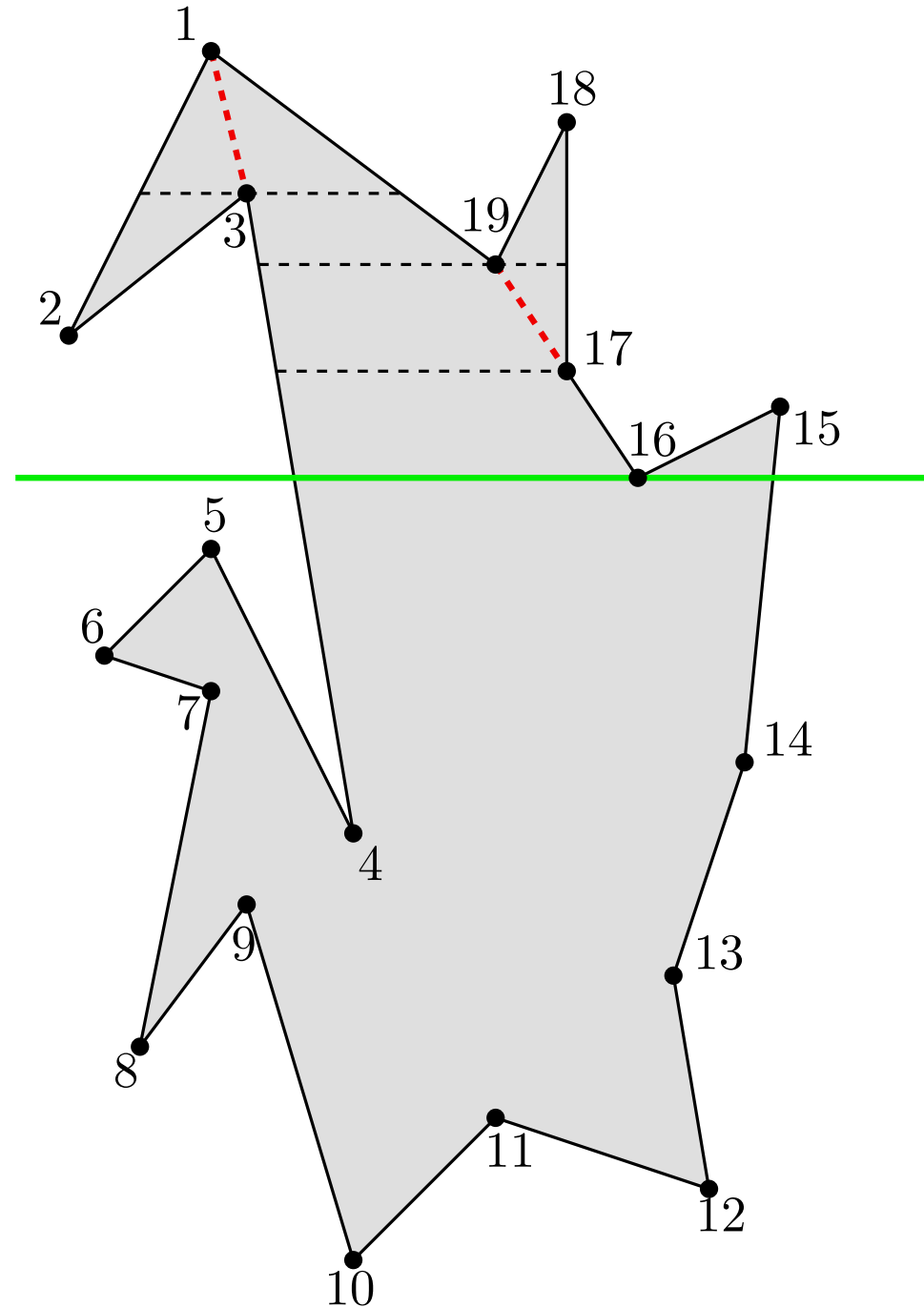
Monotone partition



$$v_i = v_{16}$$
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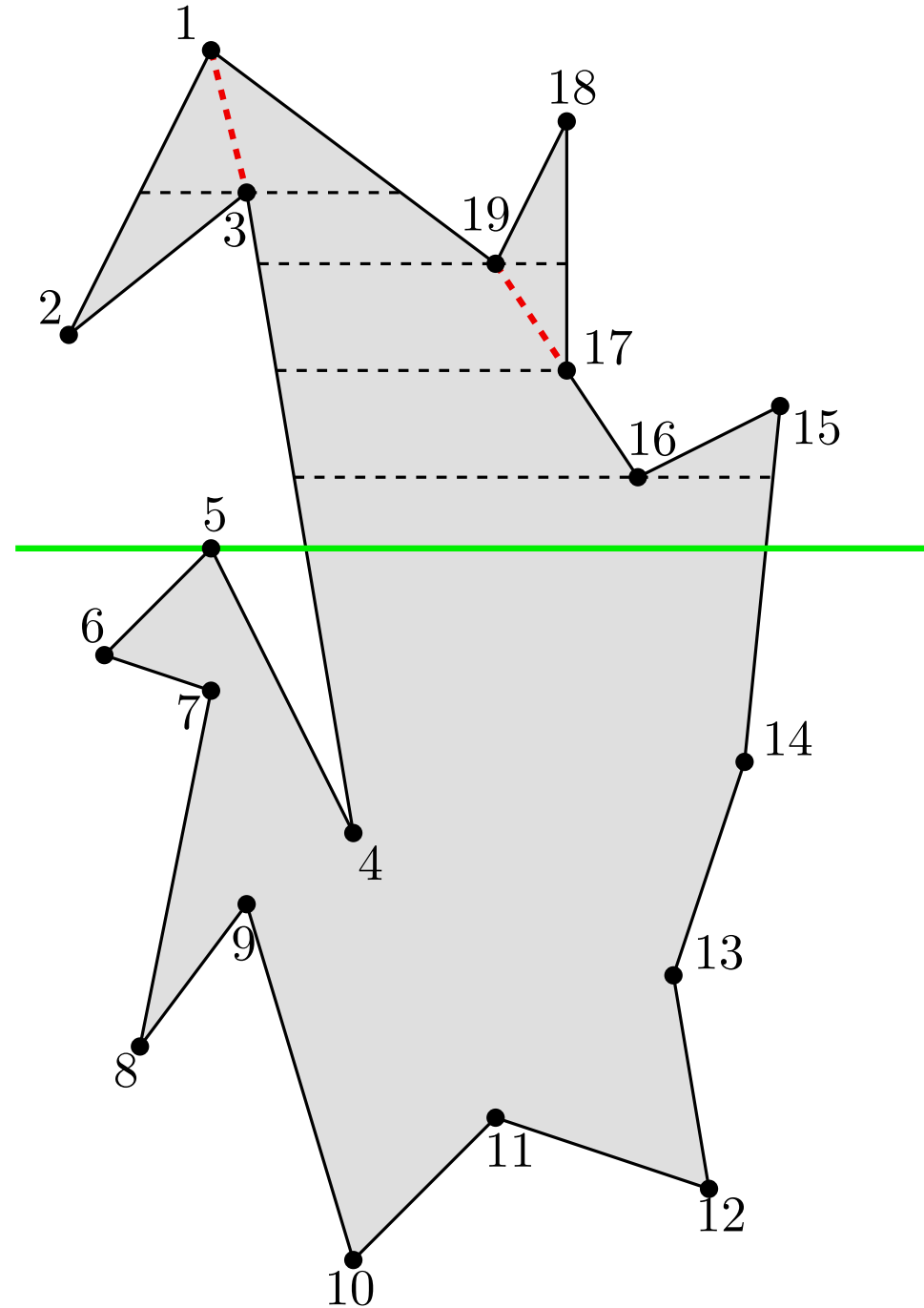
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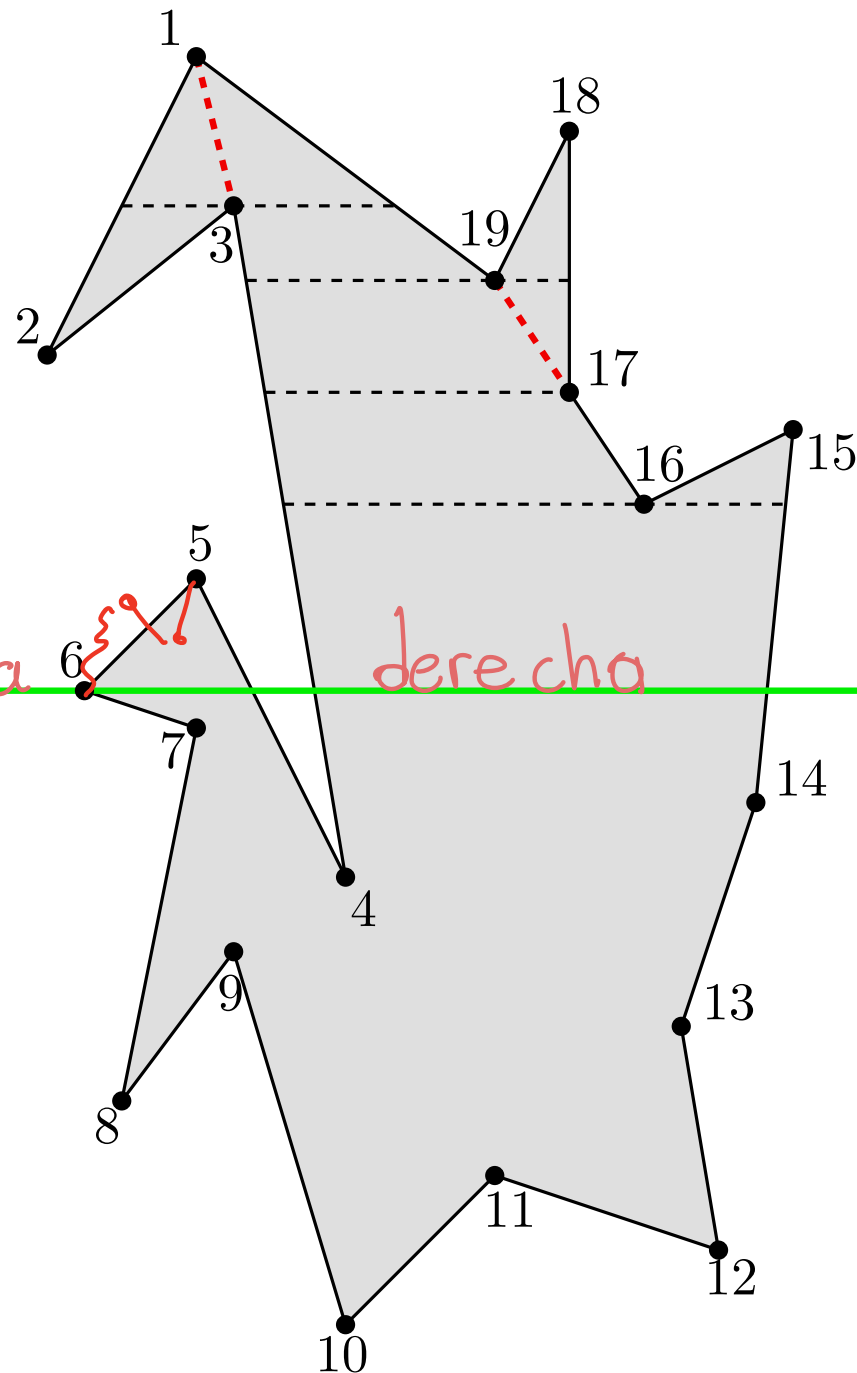


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izquierda derecha



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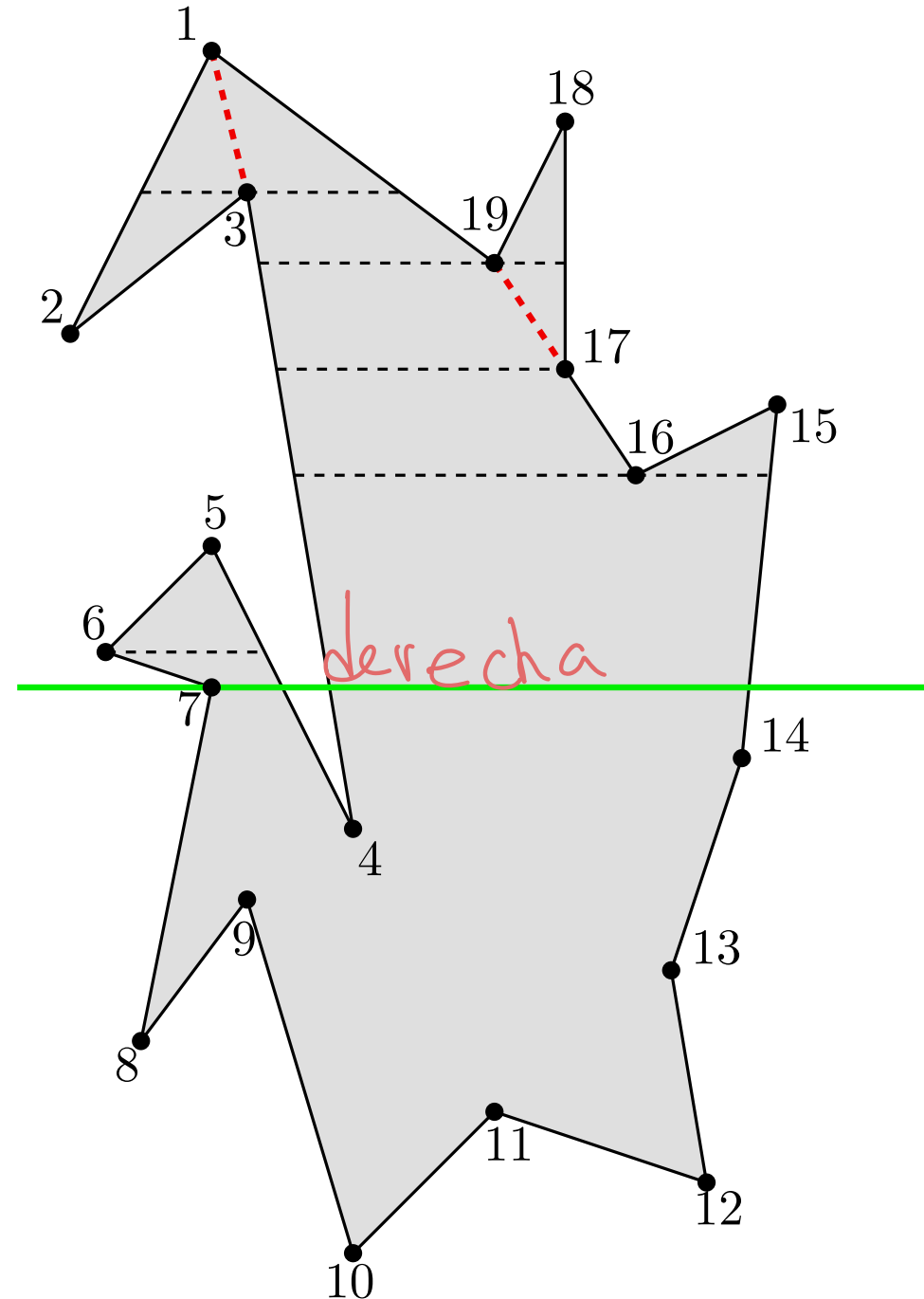
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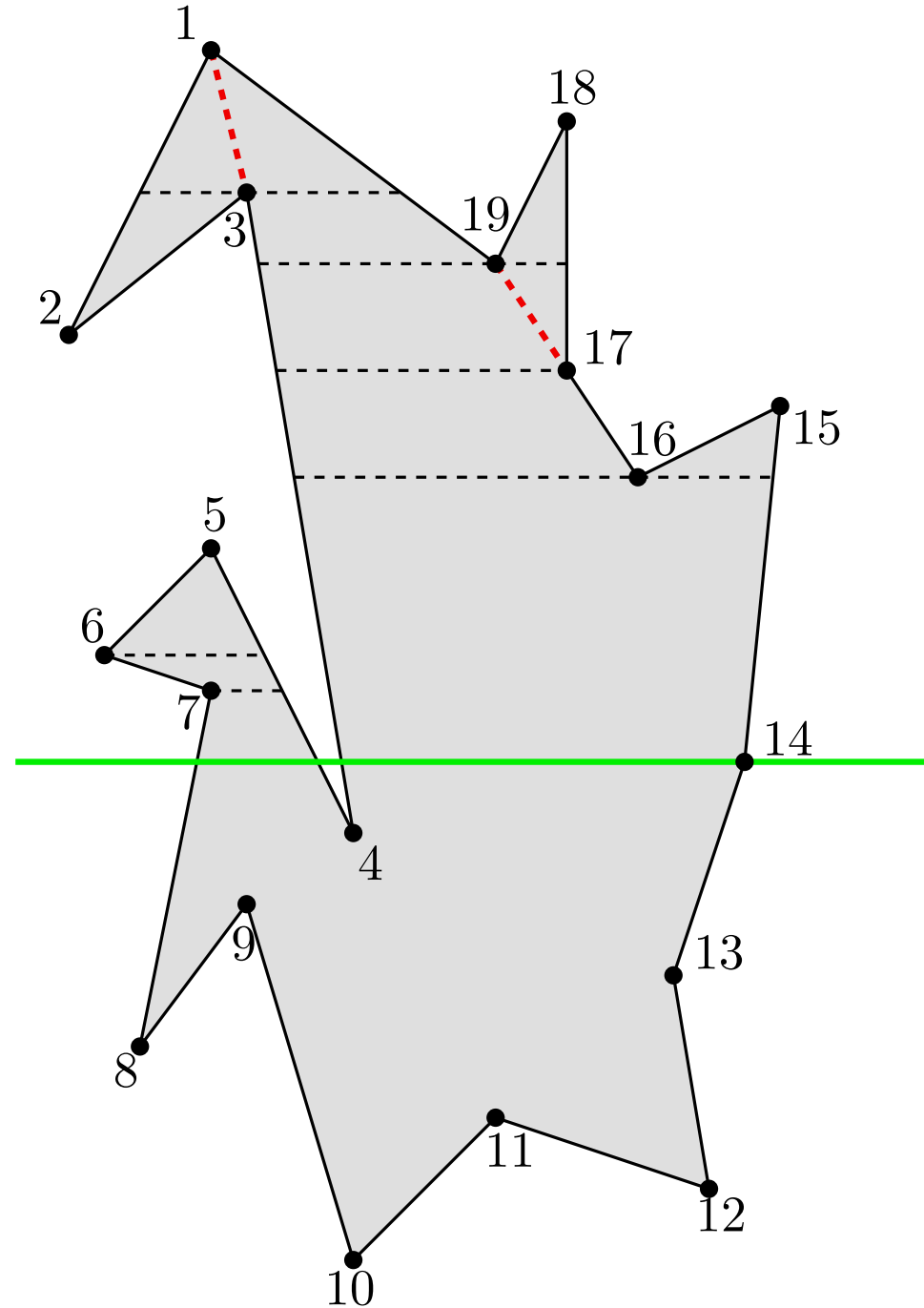
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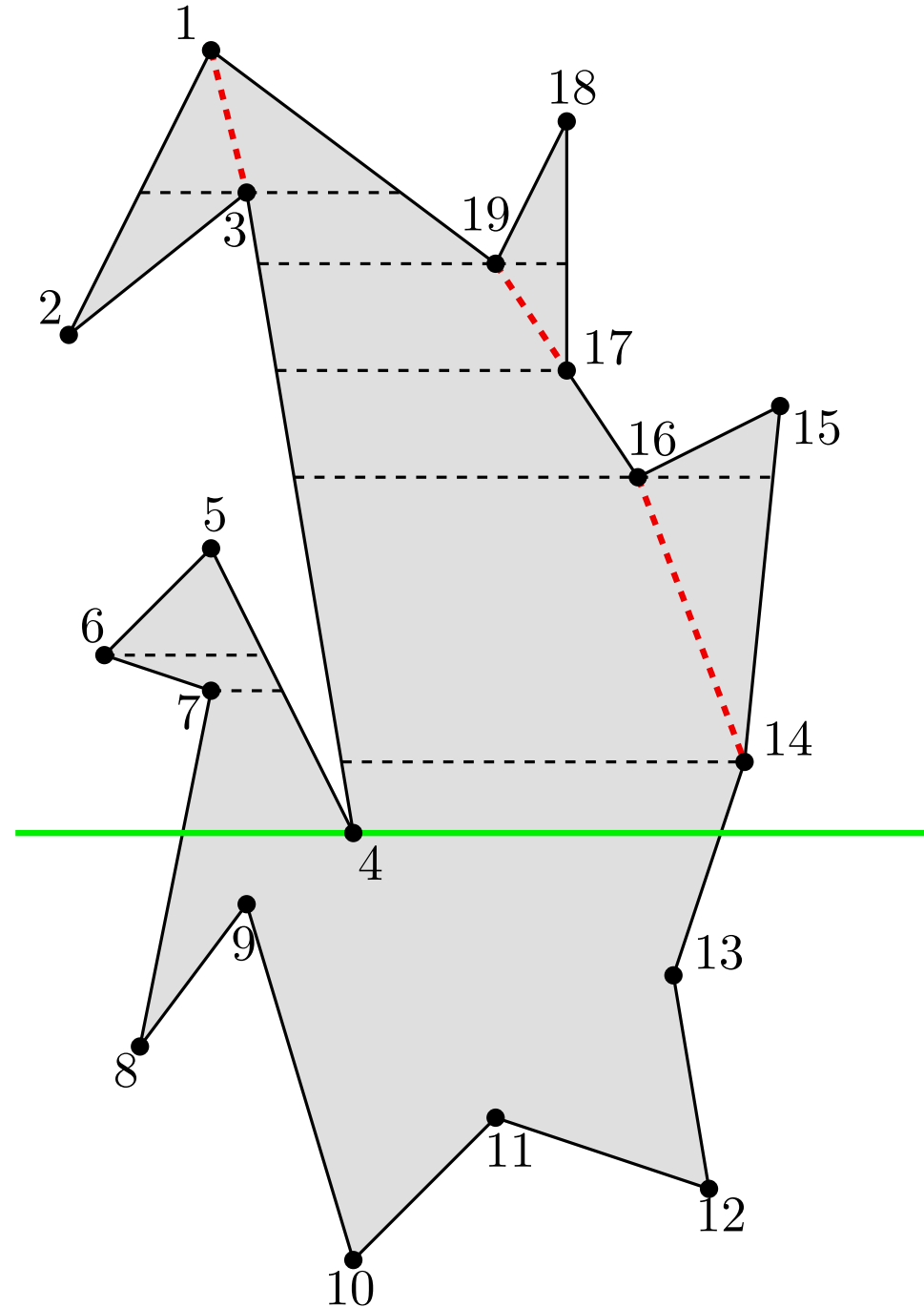


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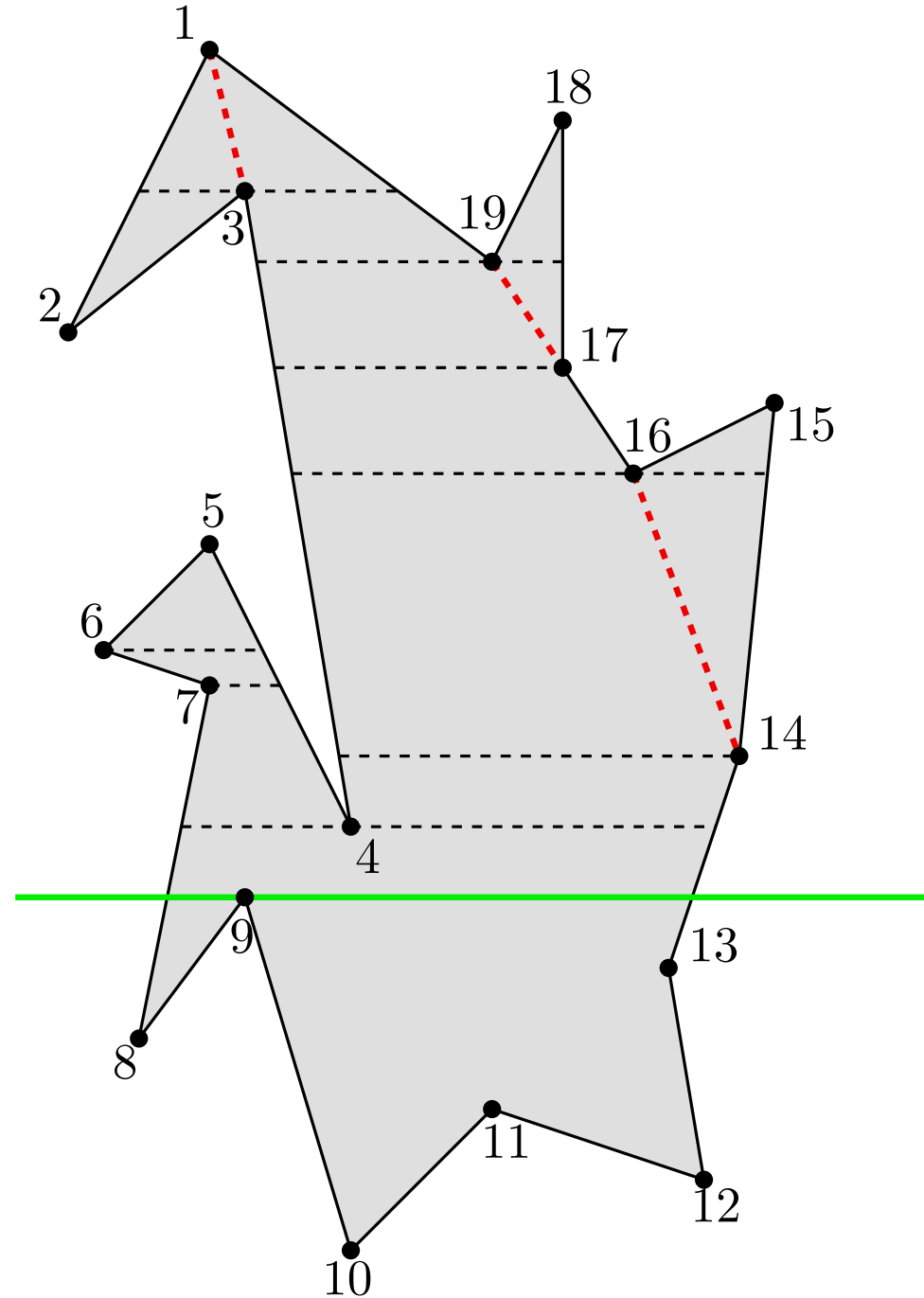


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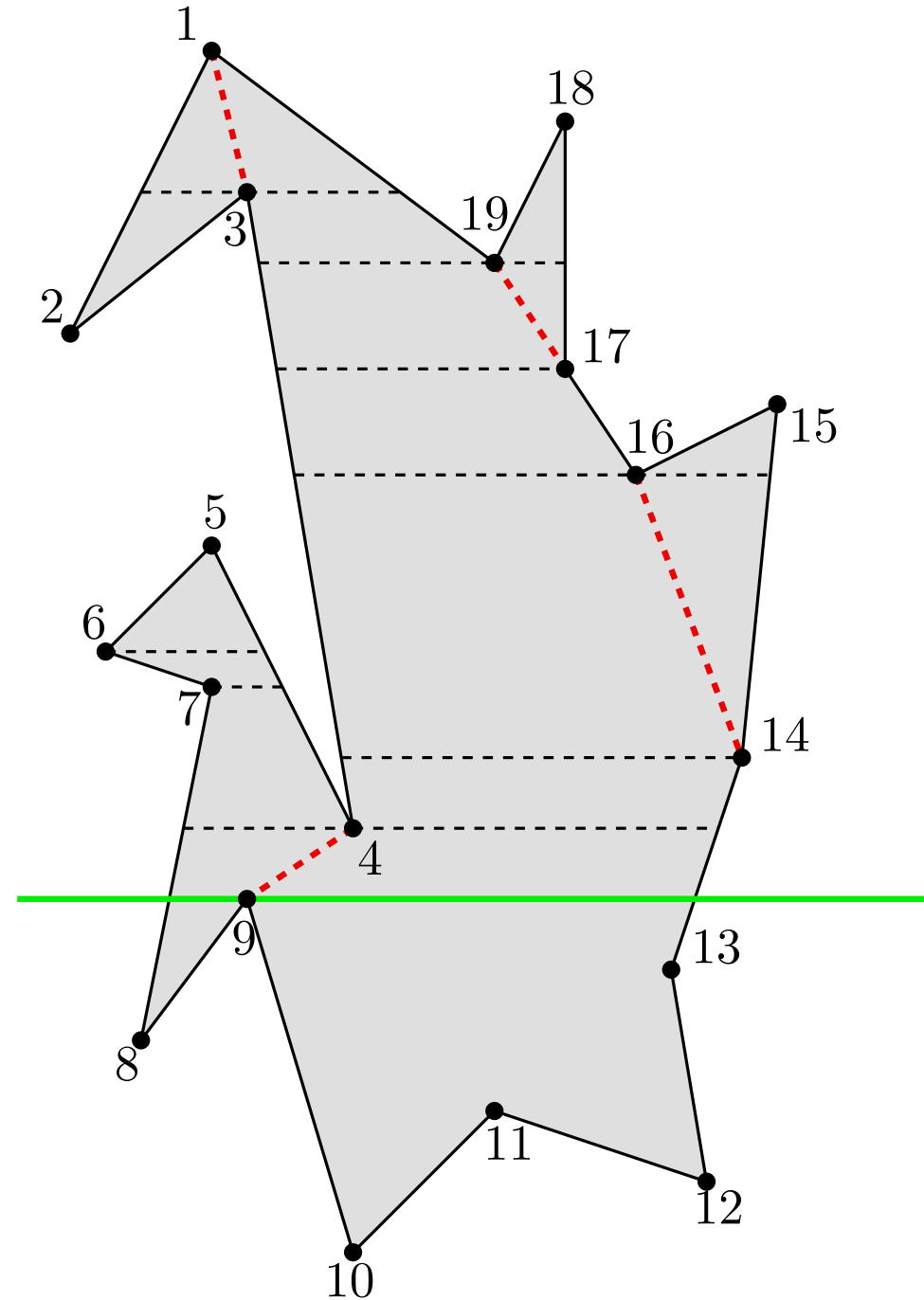


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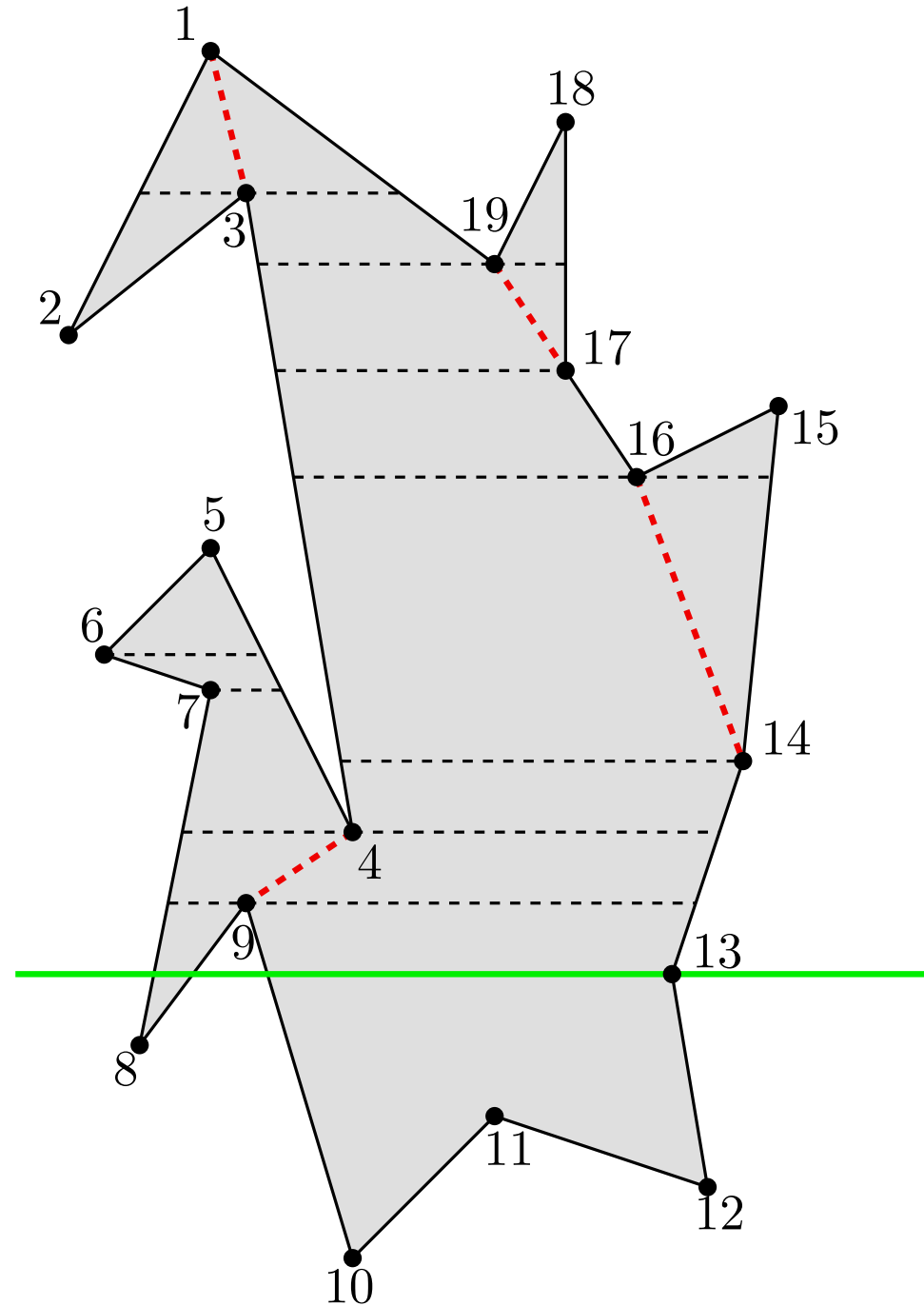


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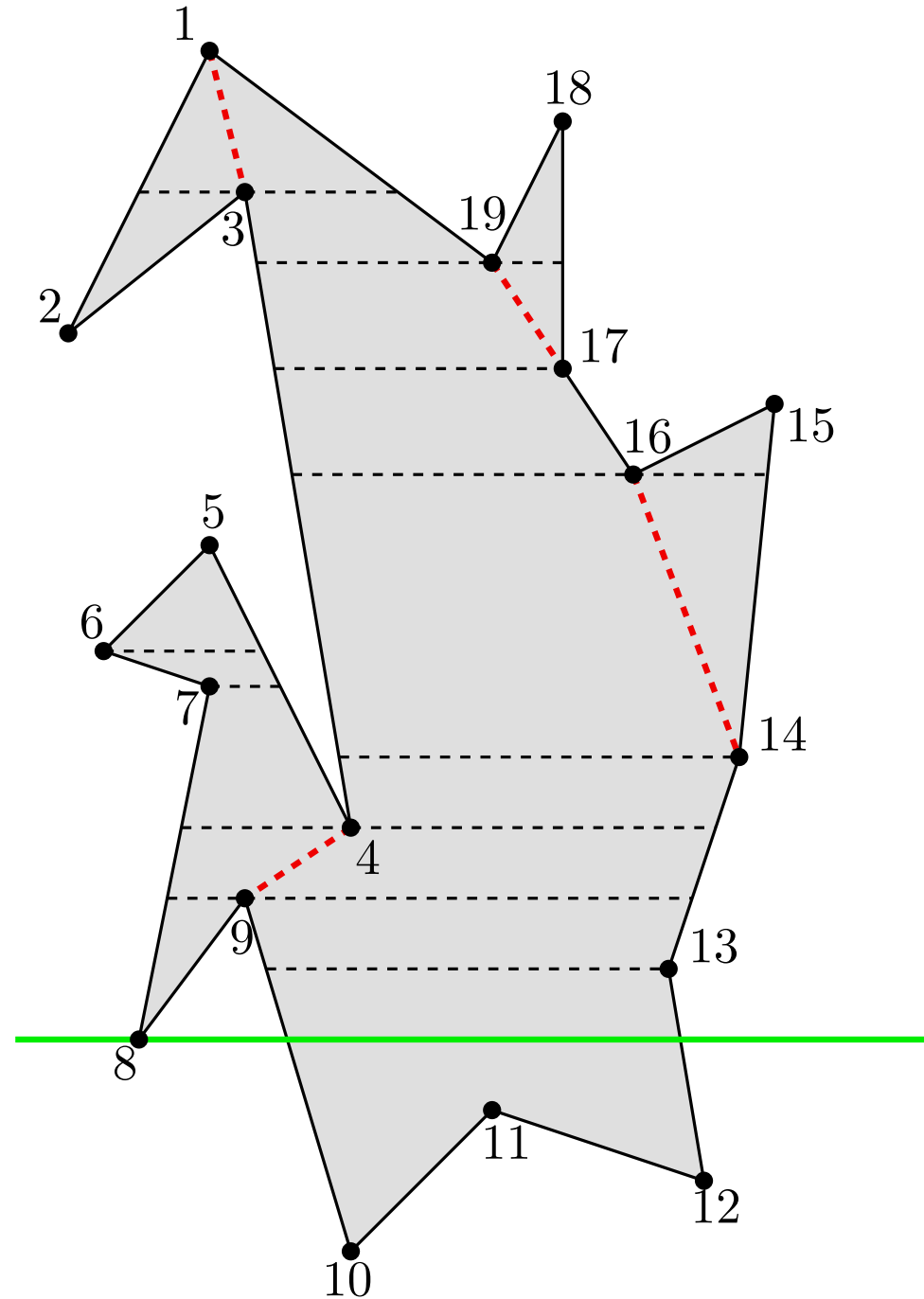
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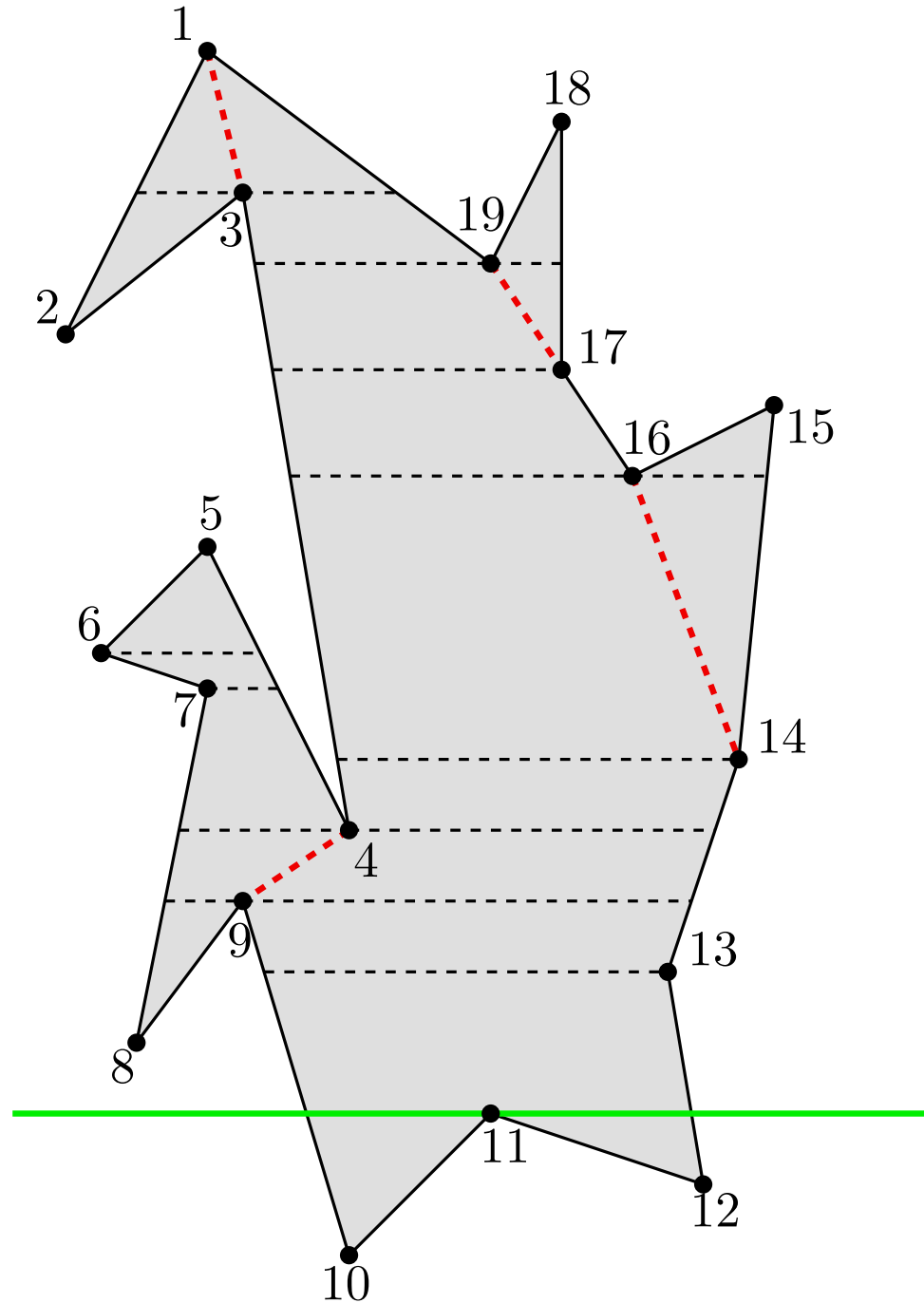
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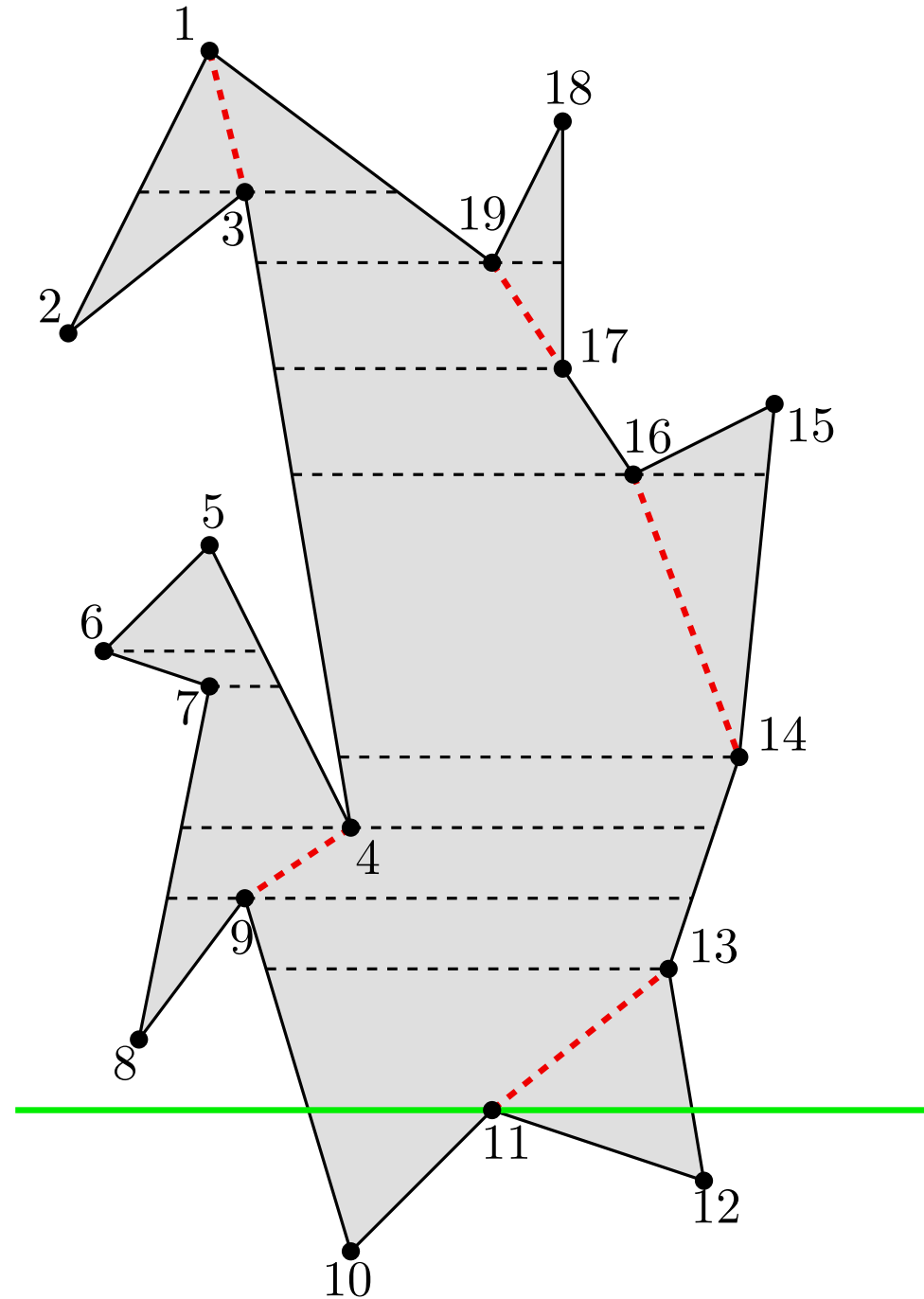
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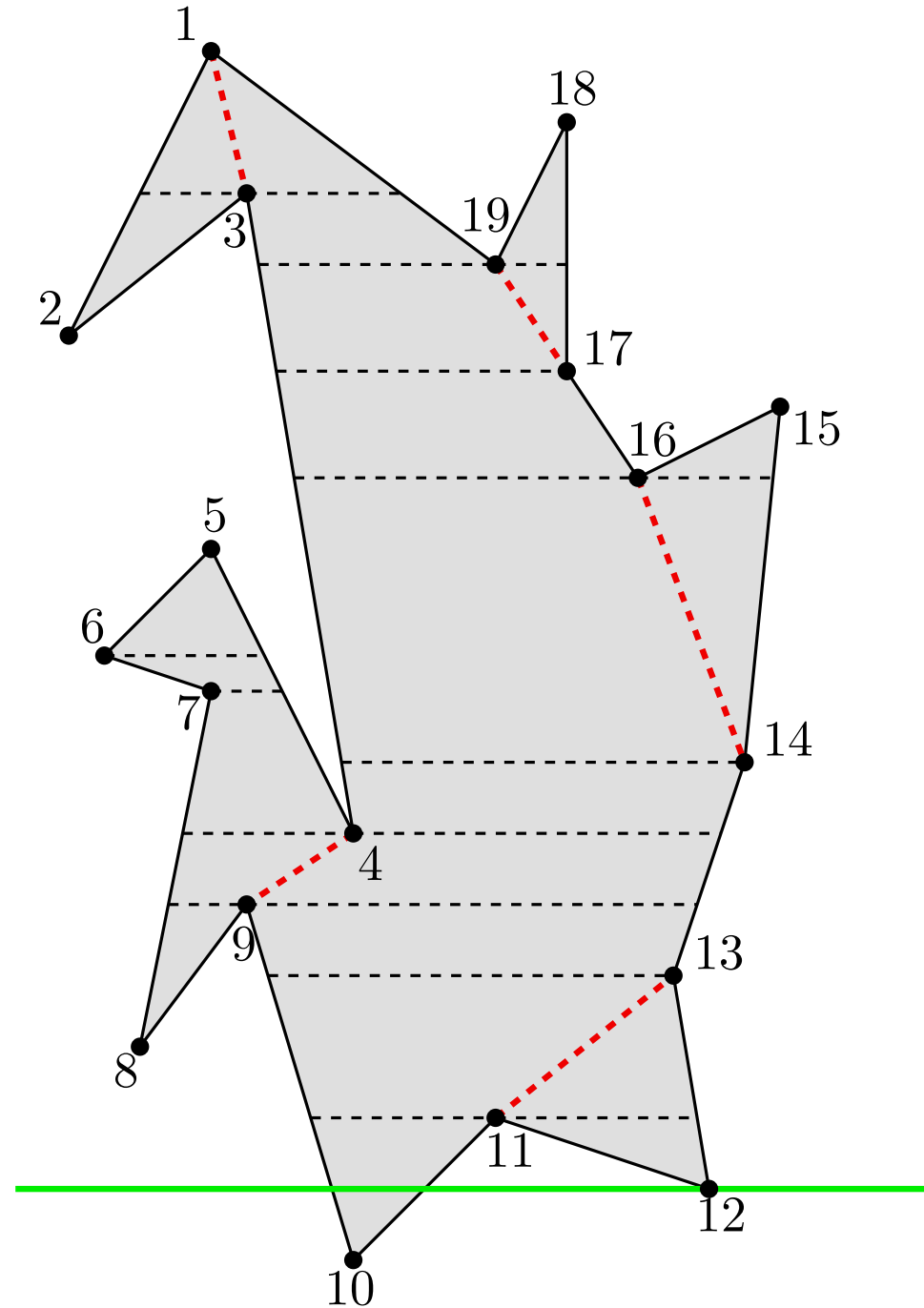
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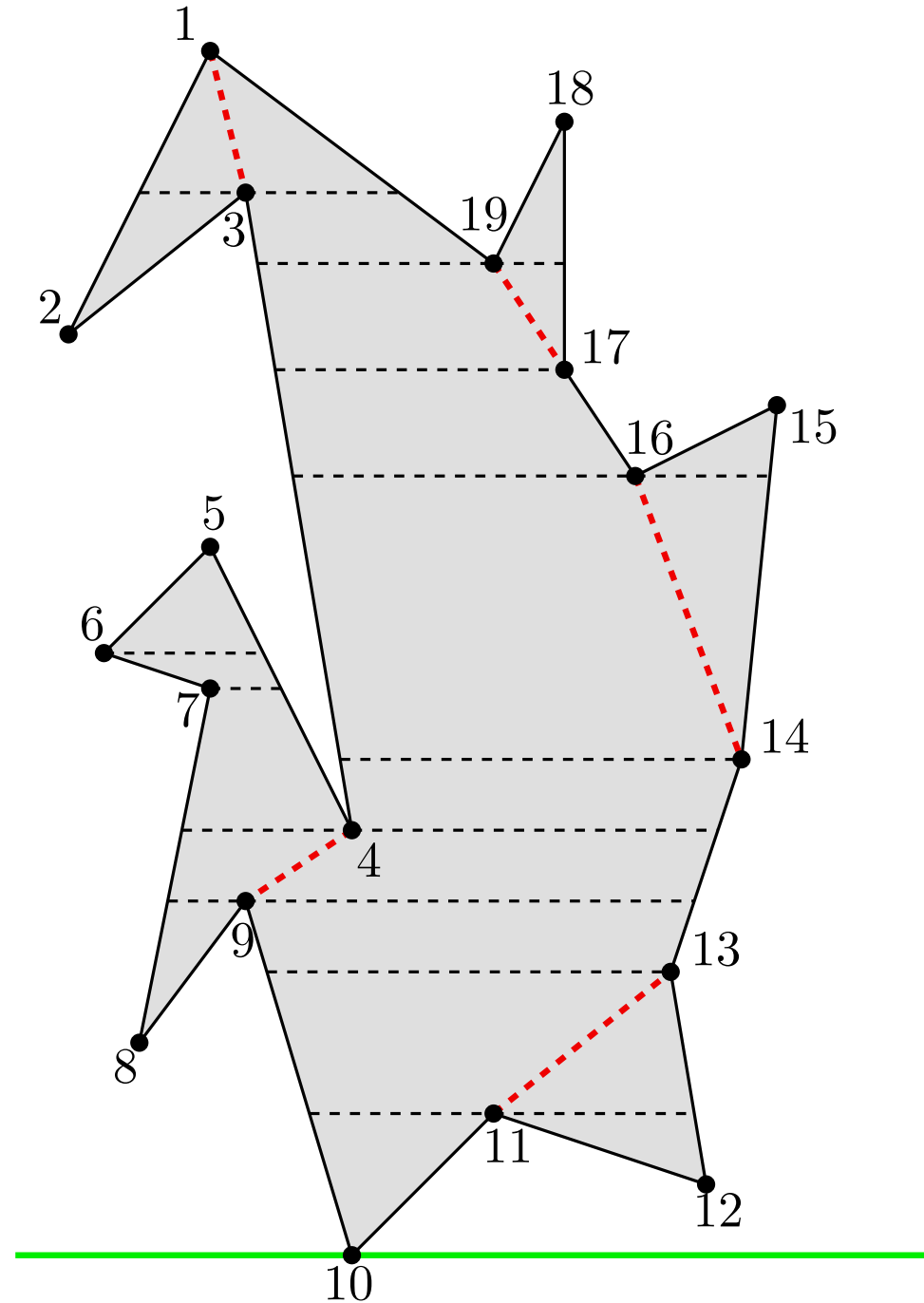
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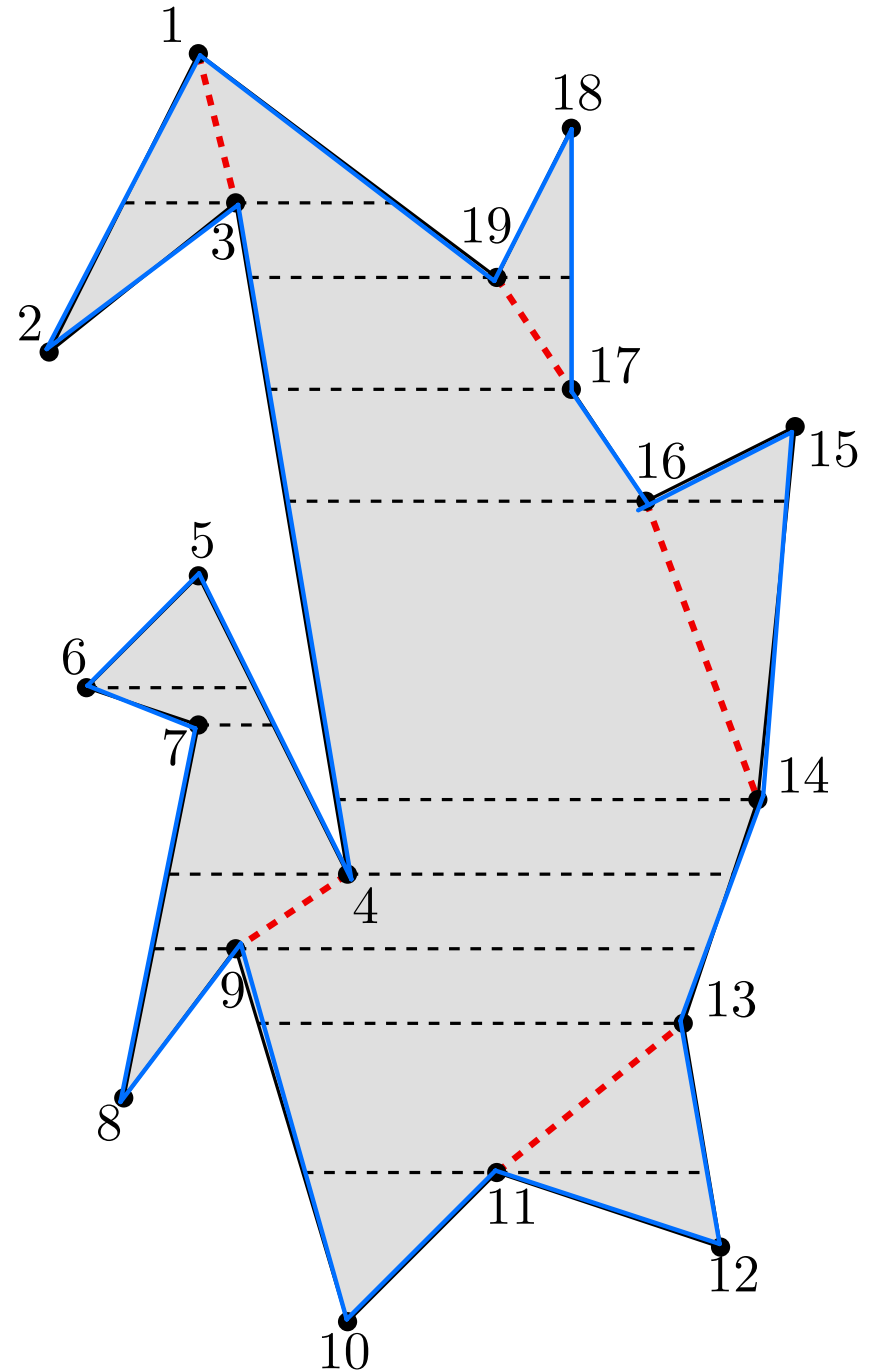
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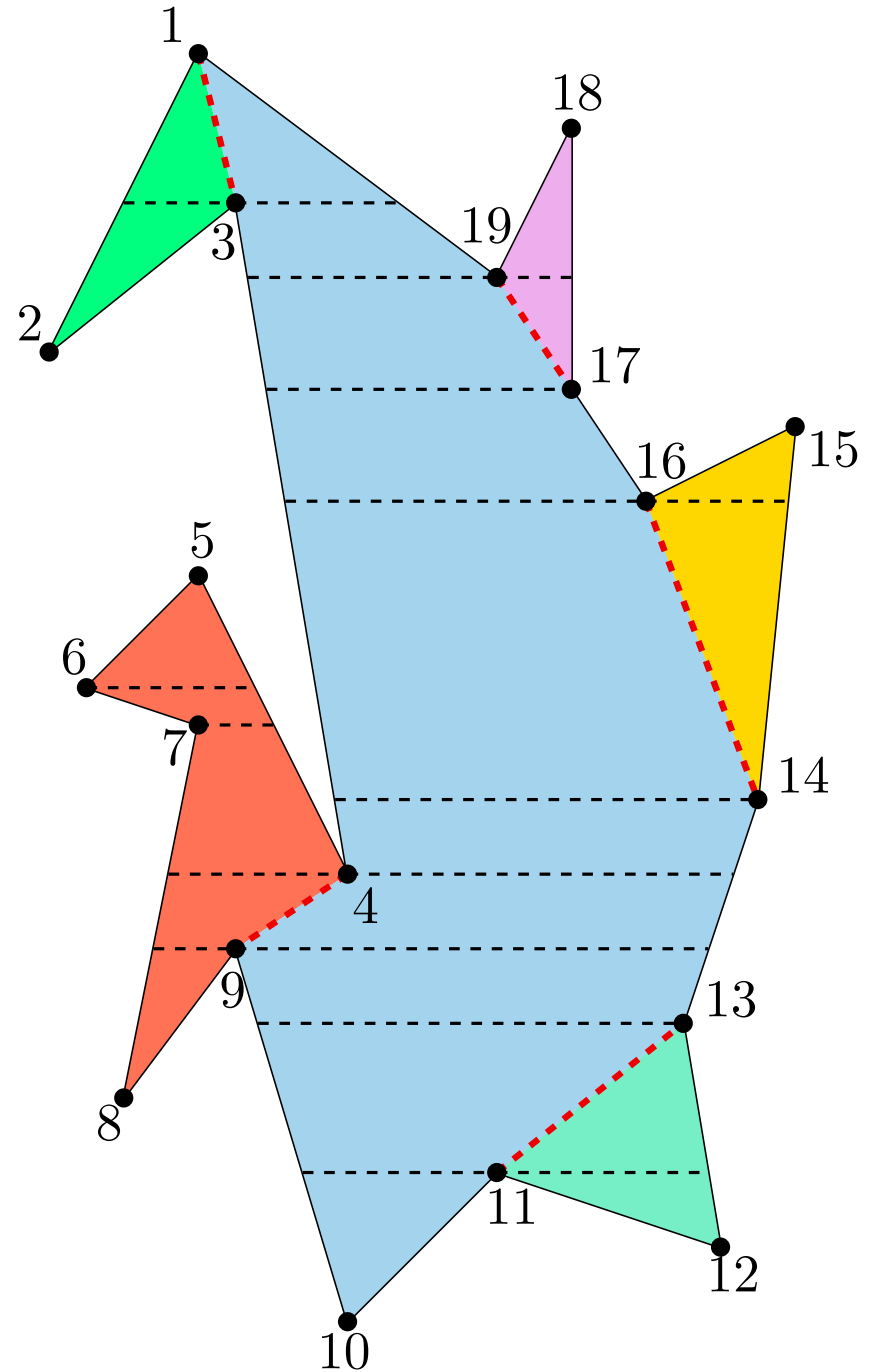
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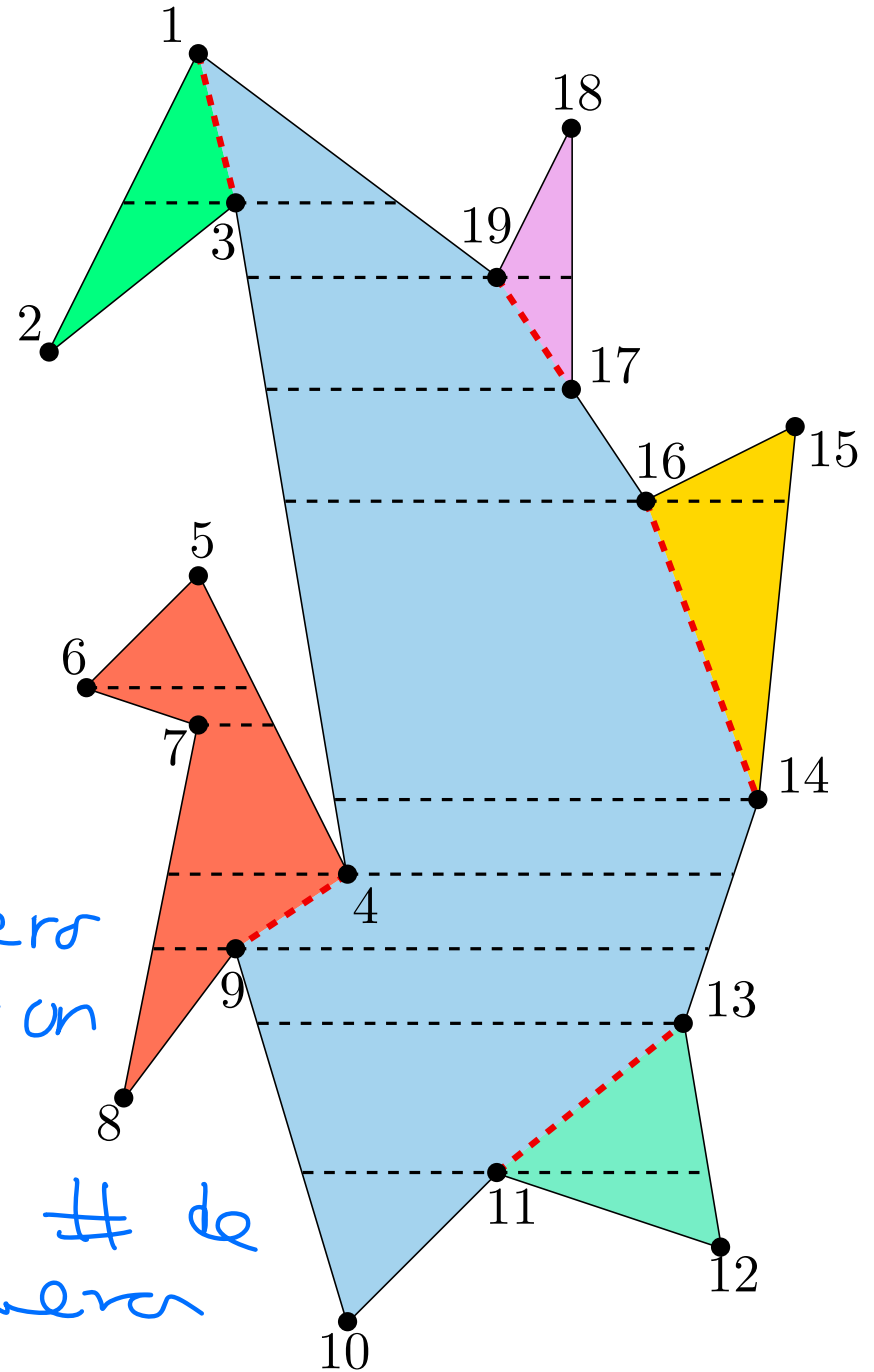
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Running time:

- Sorting the vertices in the event queue: $O(n \log n)$ time.
- On each event, update sweep line: replace, insert or delete vertices or edges in $O(\log n)$ time each.
- There are n events.

The algorithm runs in $O(n \log n)$ time.

¿Cuál es el máximo número de cuspids que puede tener un polígono?
i.e. ¿cuál es el máximo # de piezas monótonas que genera este algoritmo?



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Yes.

There exists an algorithm to triangulate an n -gon in $O(n)$ time, but it is too complicated and, in practice, it is not used.

STORING THE POLYGON TRIANGULATION

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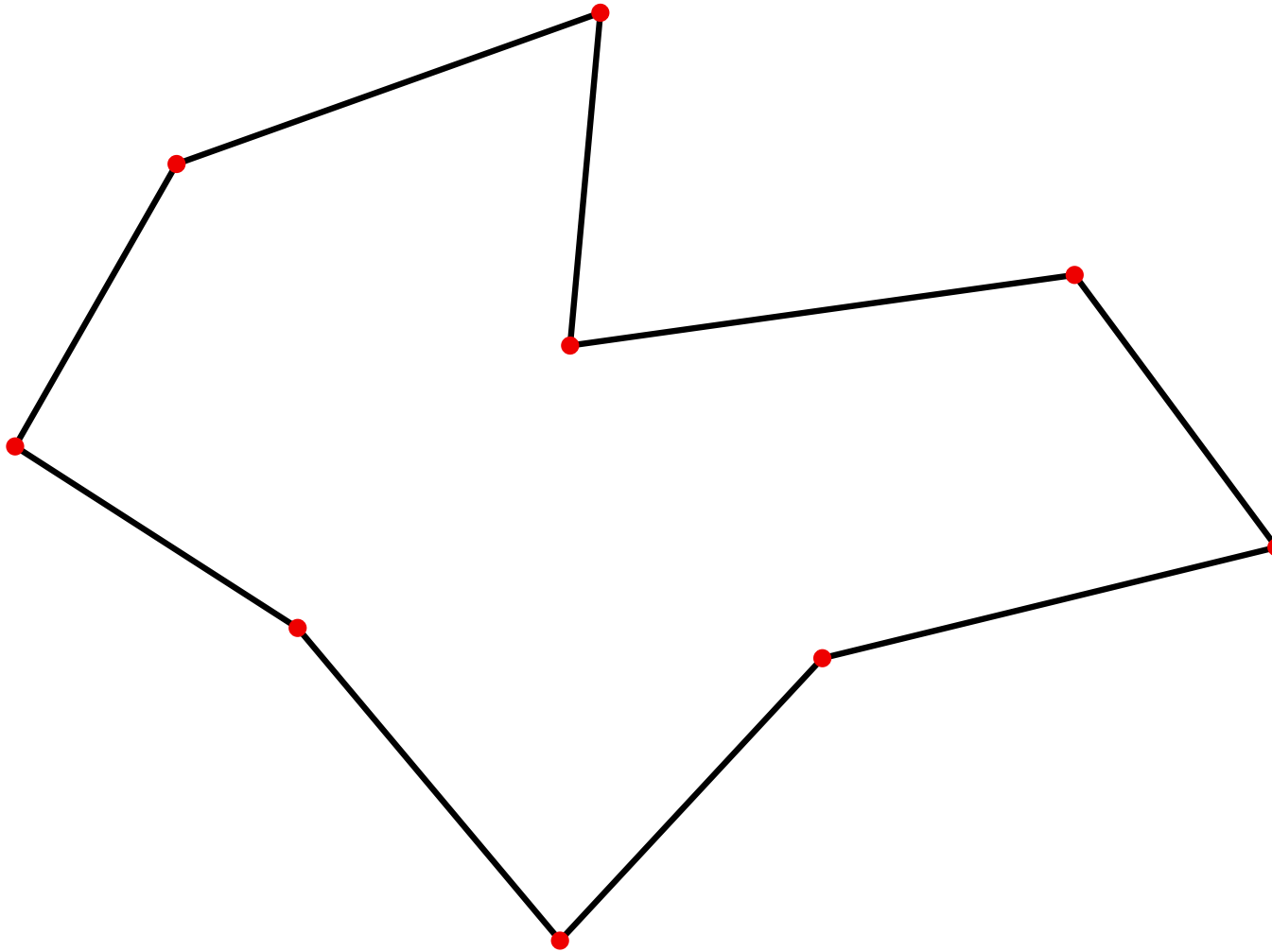
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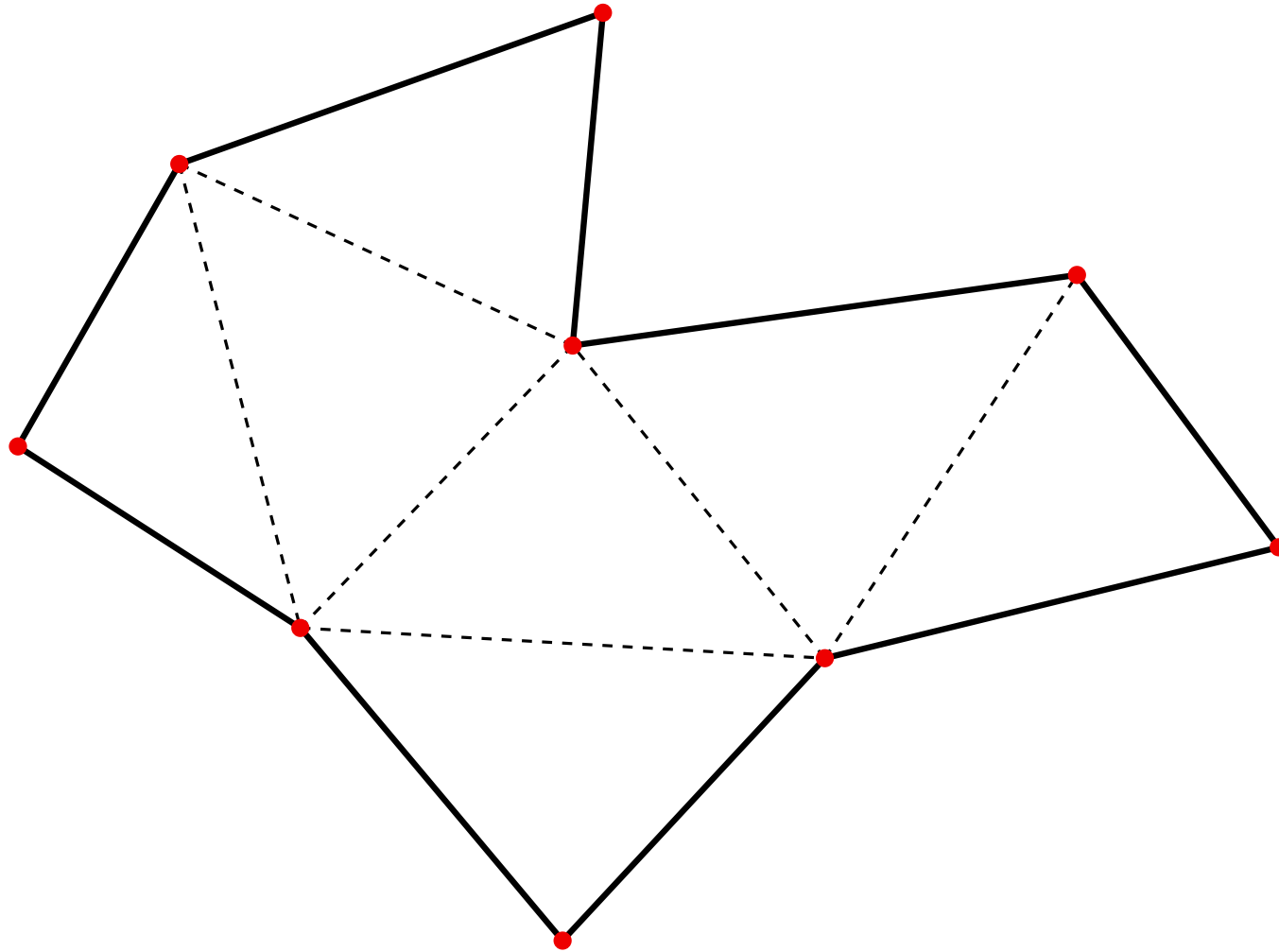
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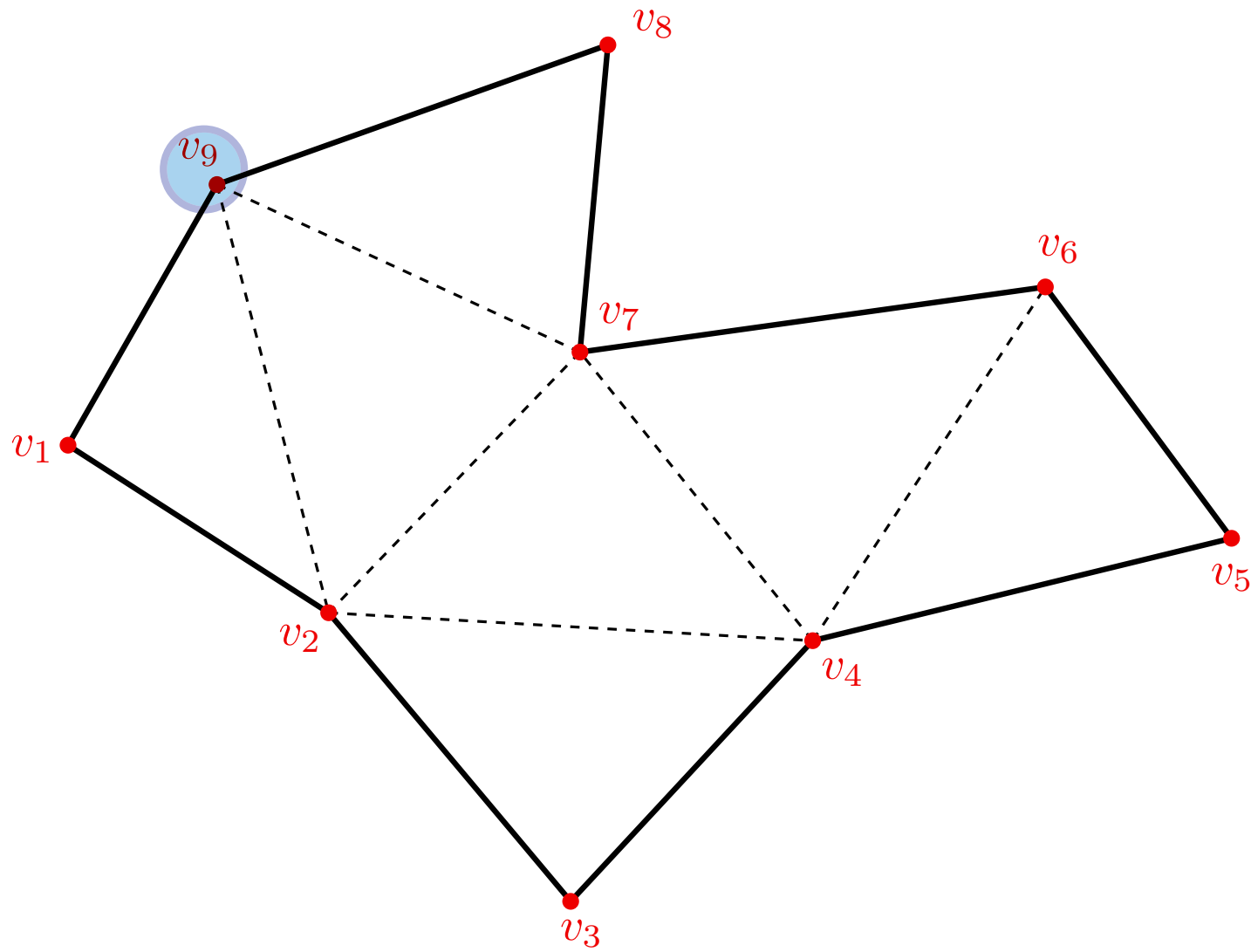
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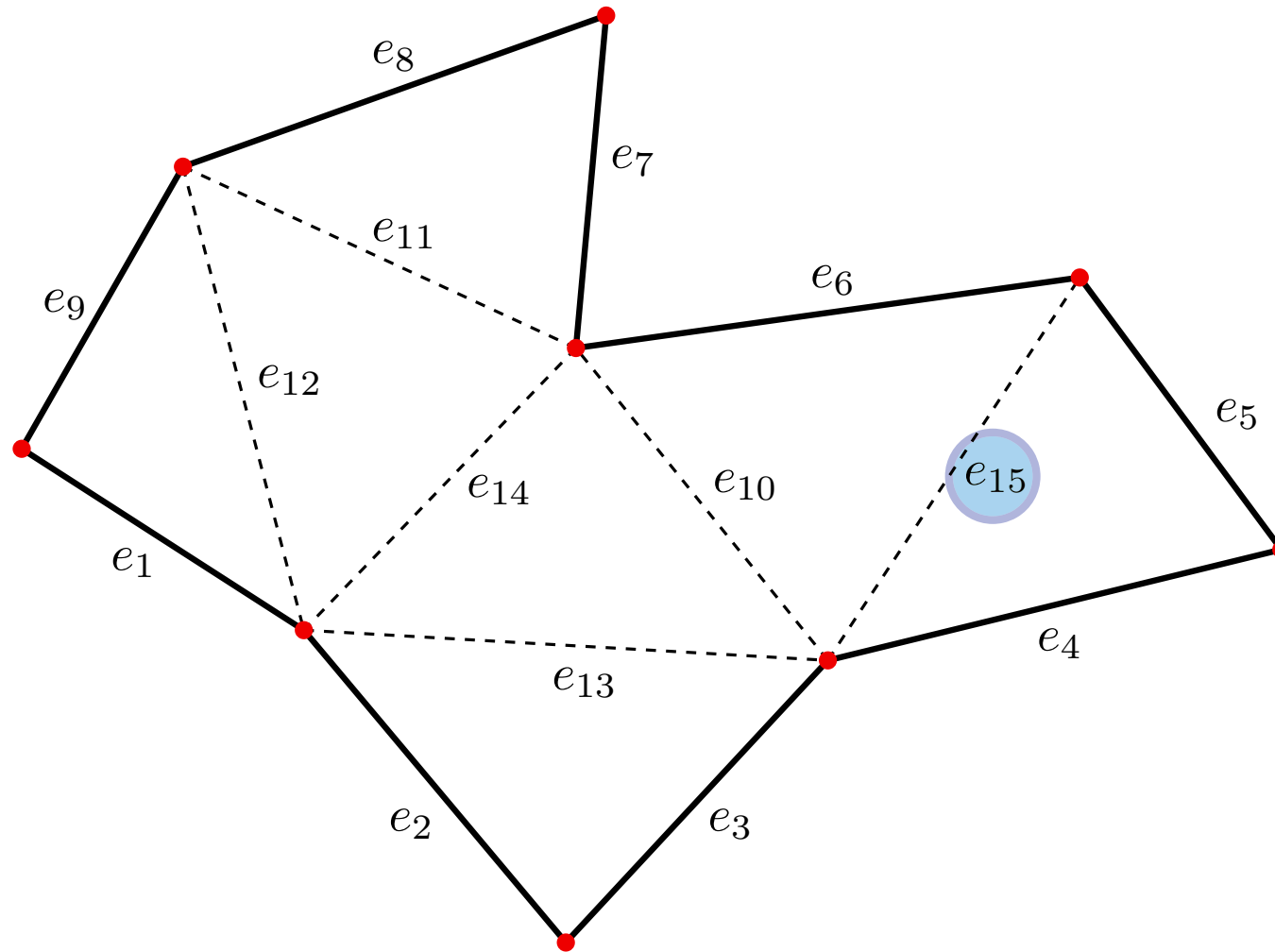
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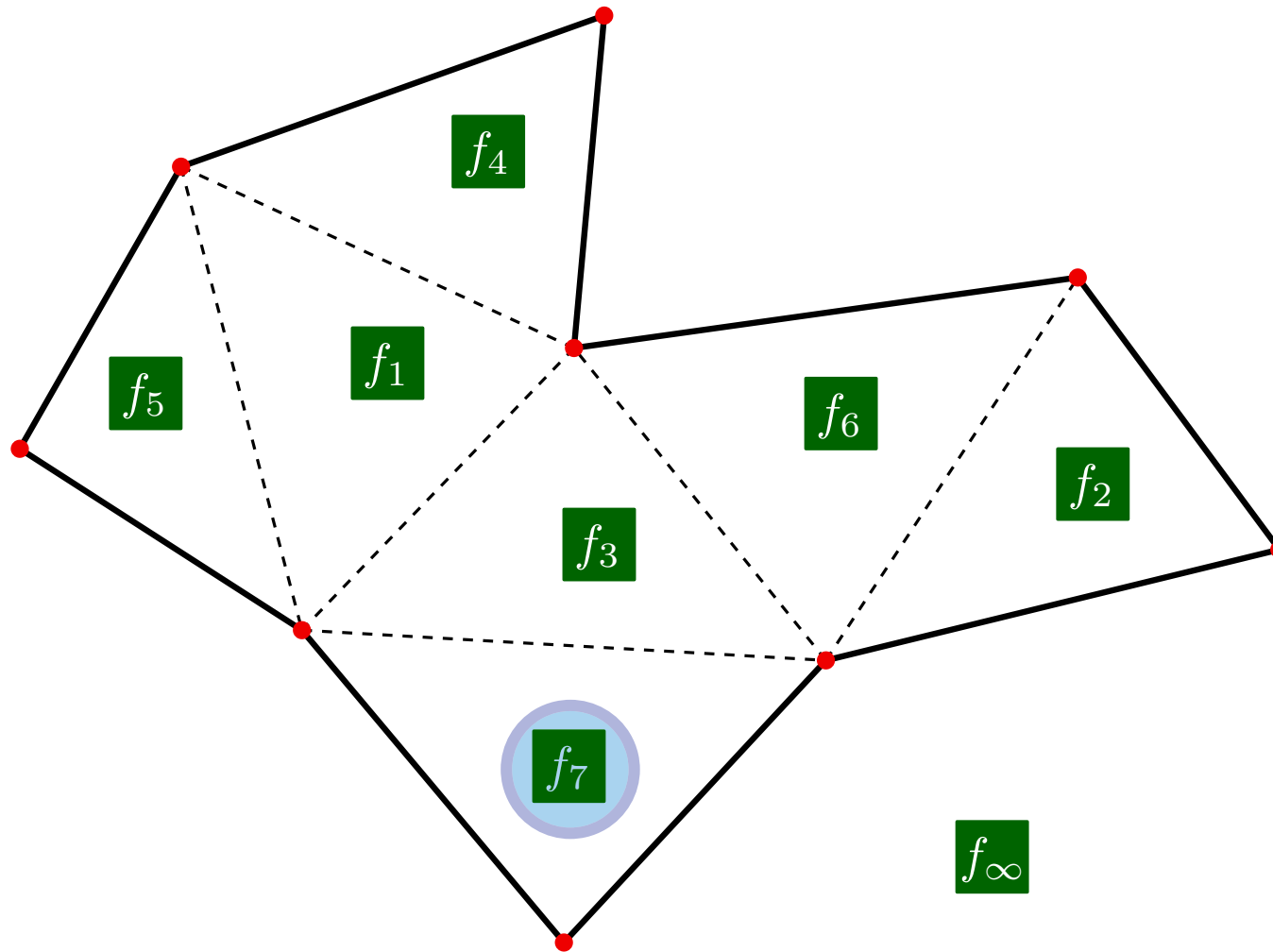
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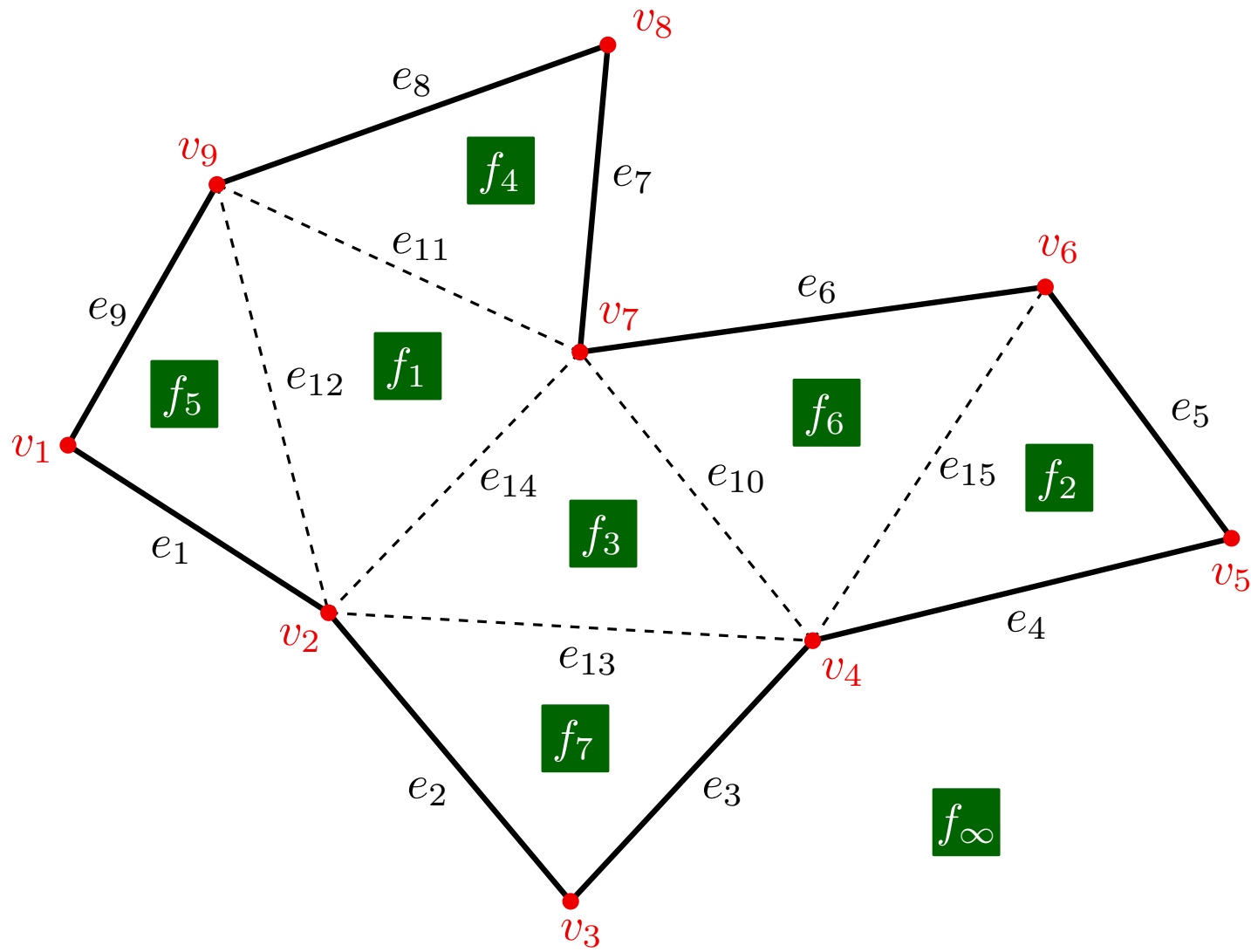
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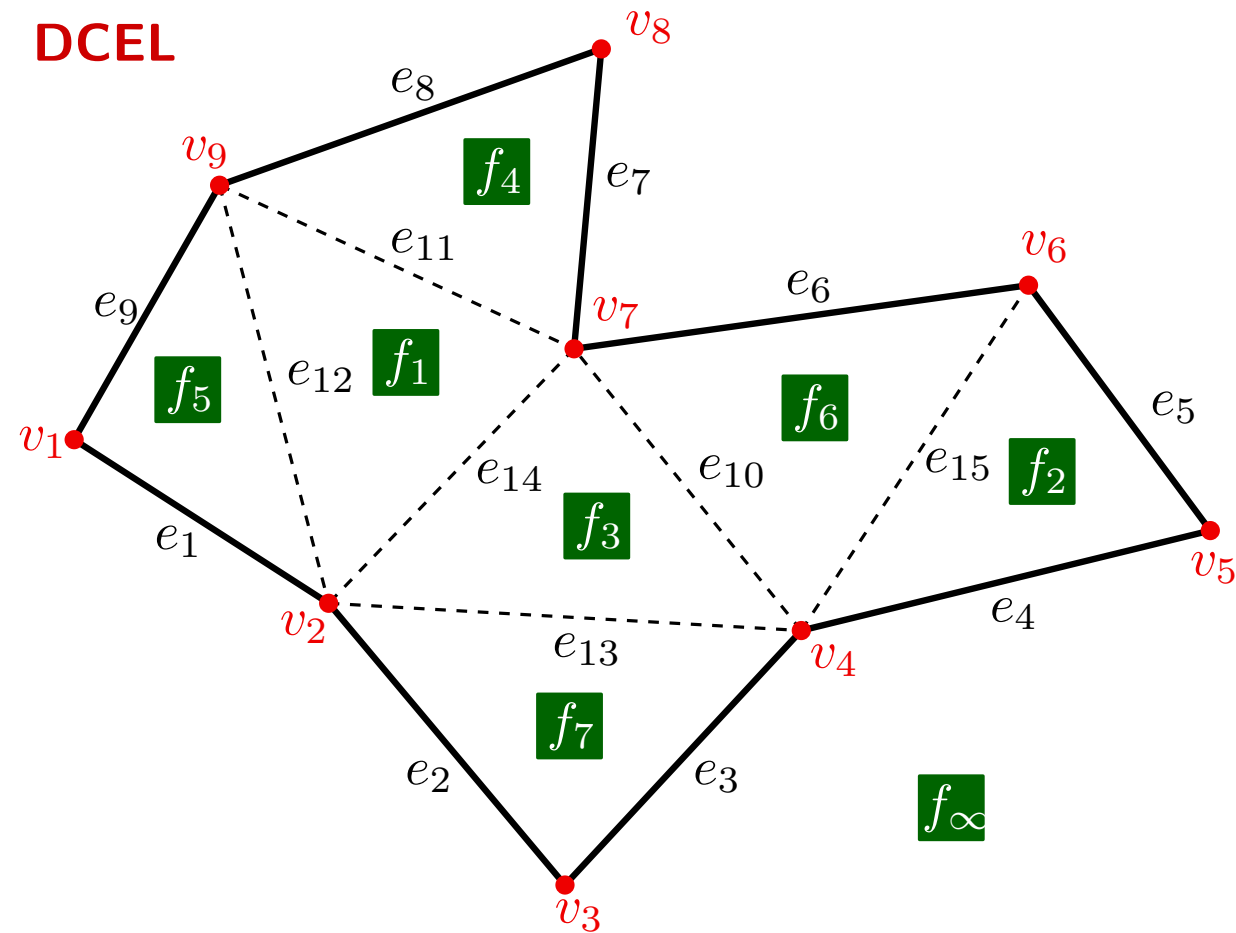


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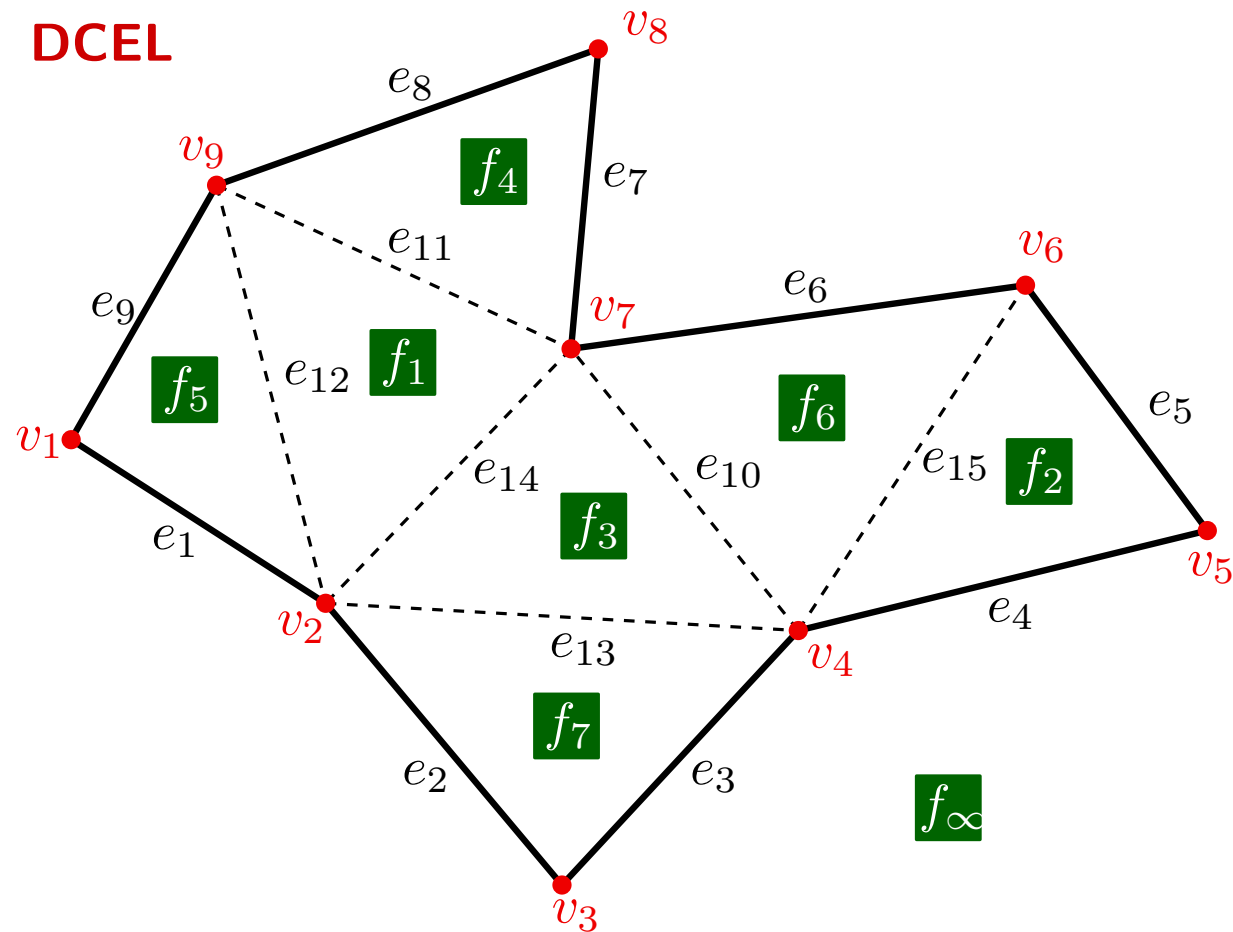
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Table of vertices

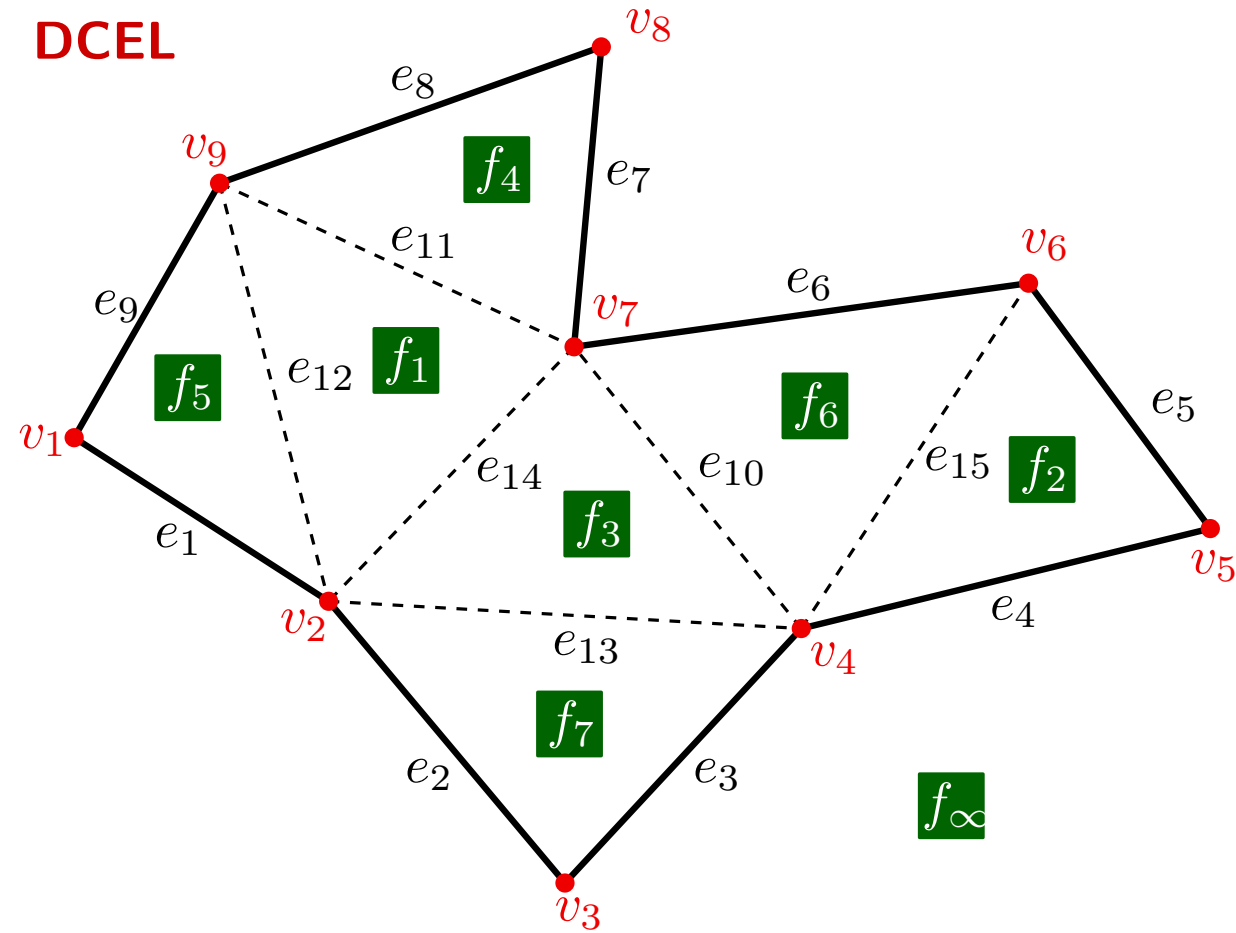
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7	x_7	y_7	10
8	x_8	y_8	8
9	x_9	y_9	9



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Table of faces

f	e
1	11
2	4
3	10
4	11
5	1
6	6
7	2
∞	9

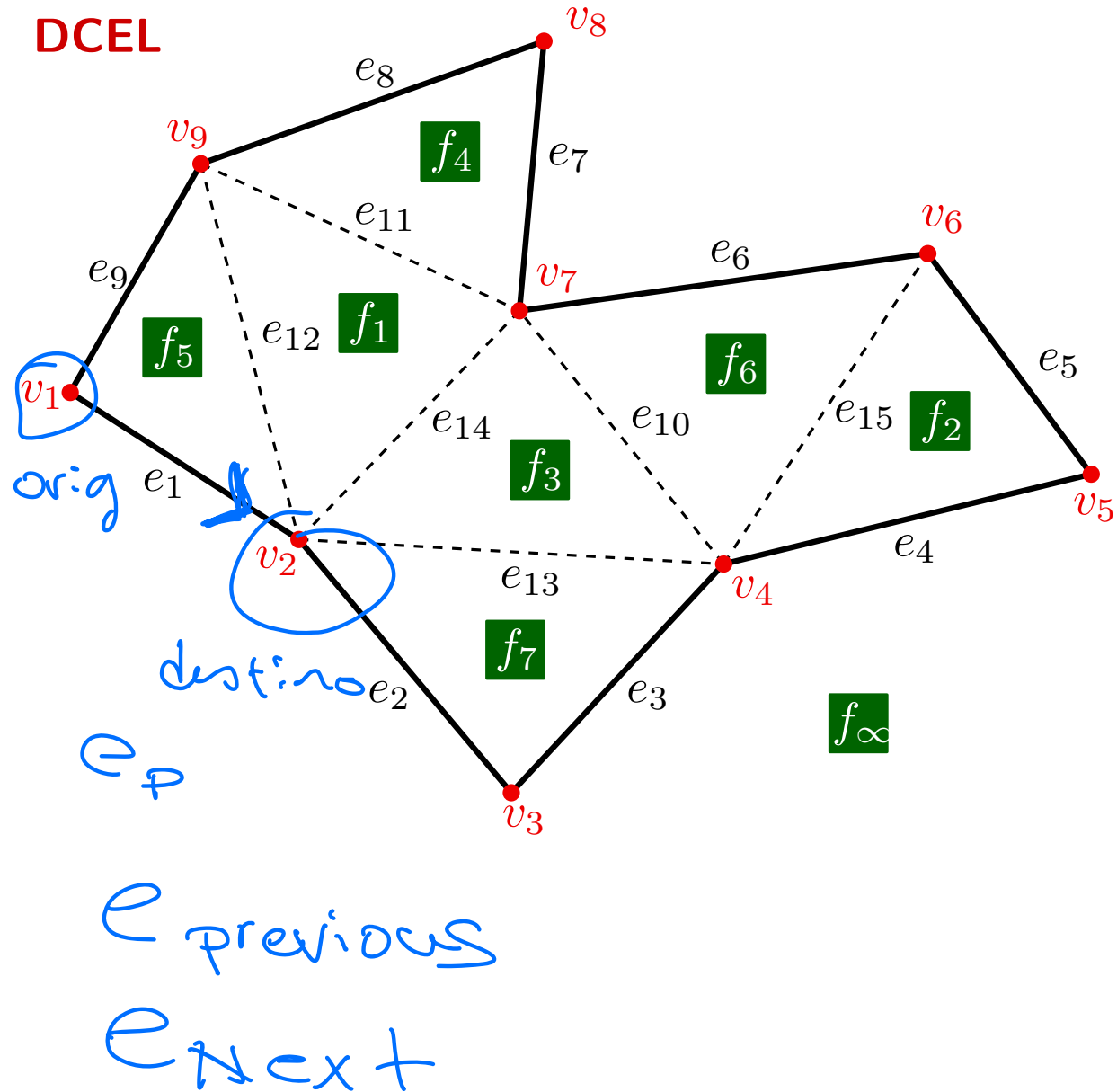


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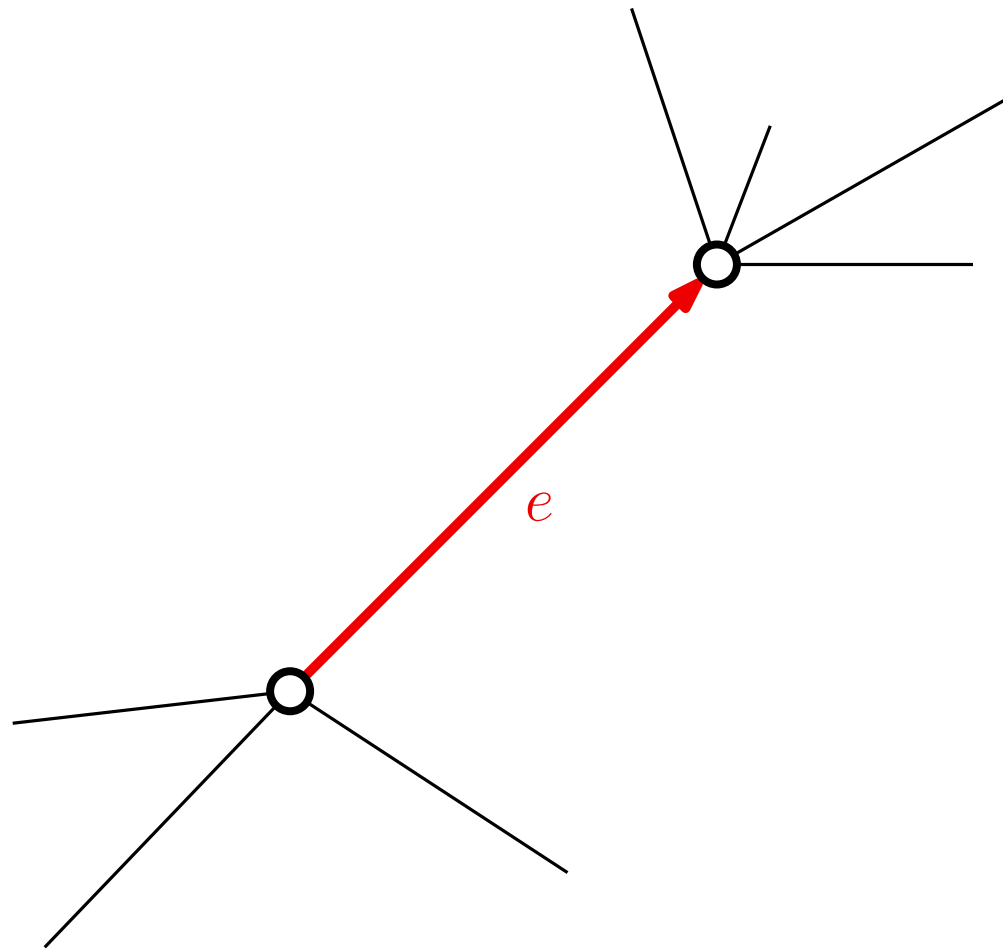
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4	4	5	2	∞	15	5
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Left Right



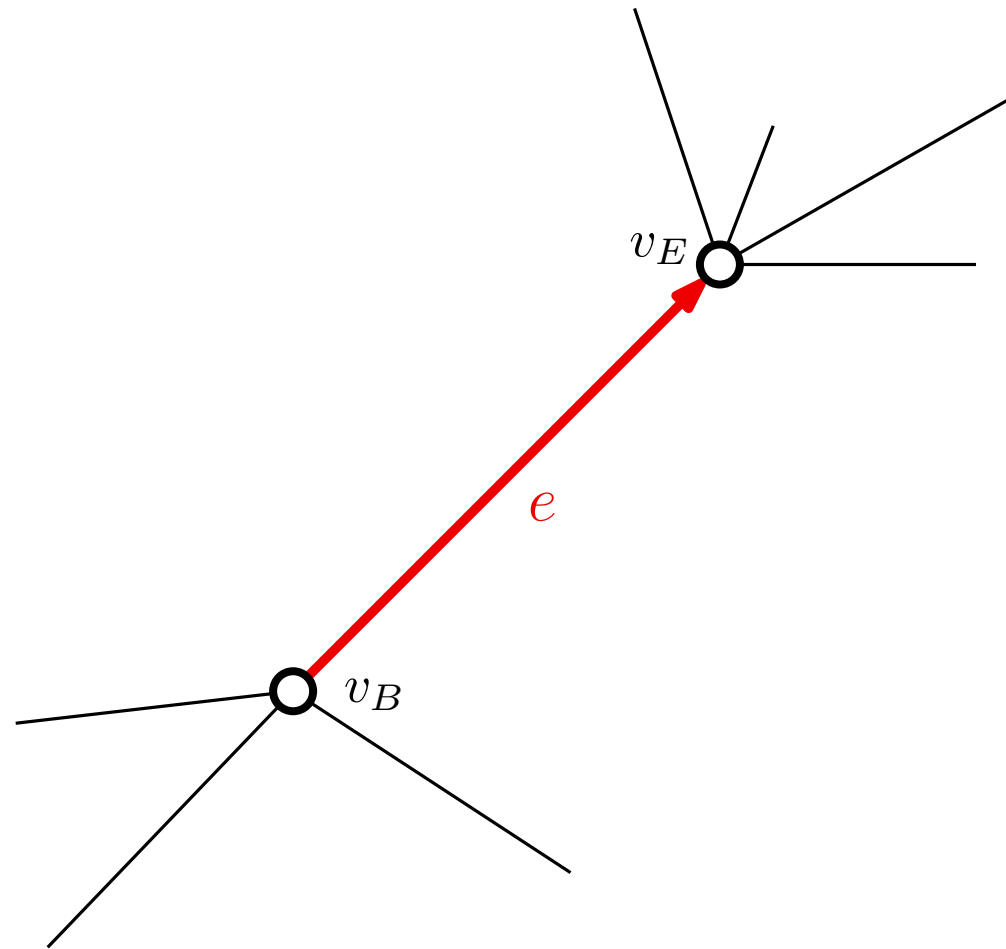
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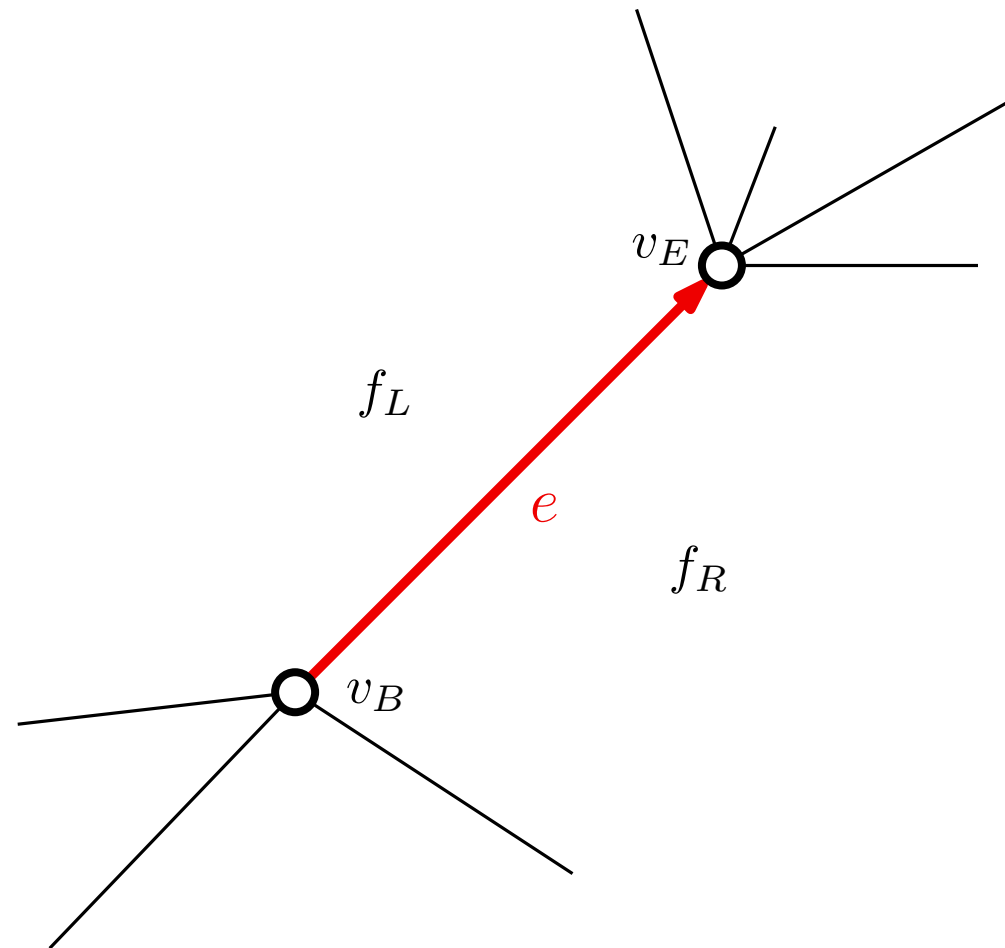
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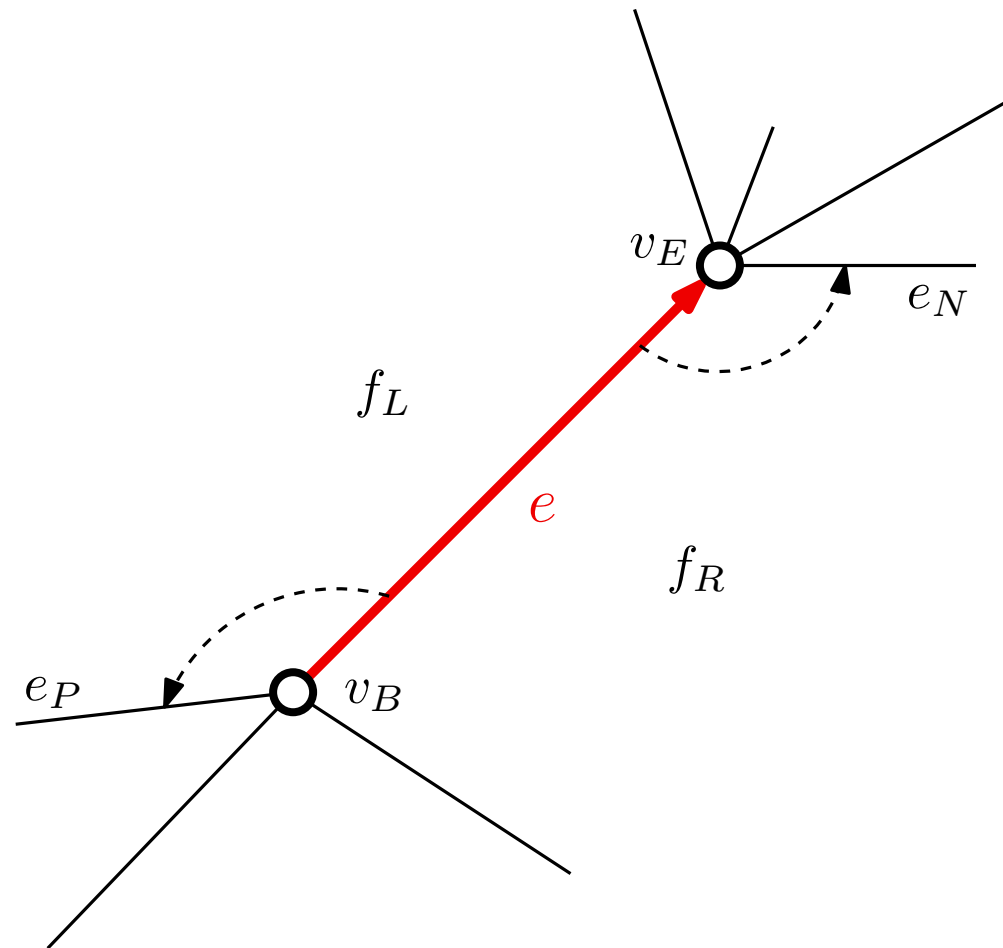
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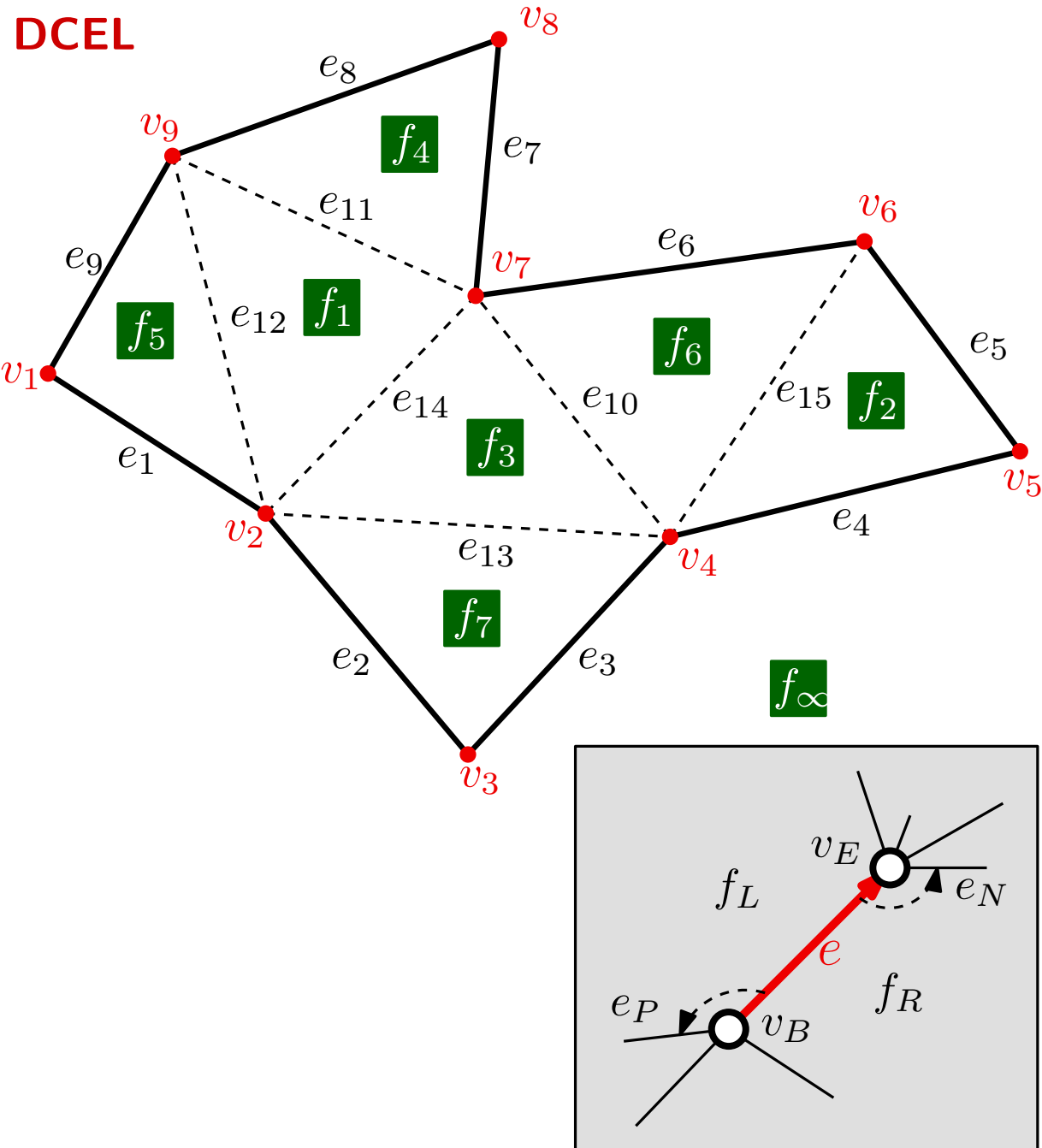
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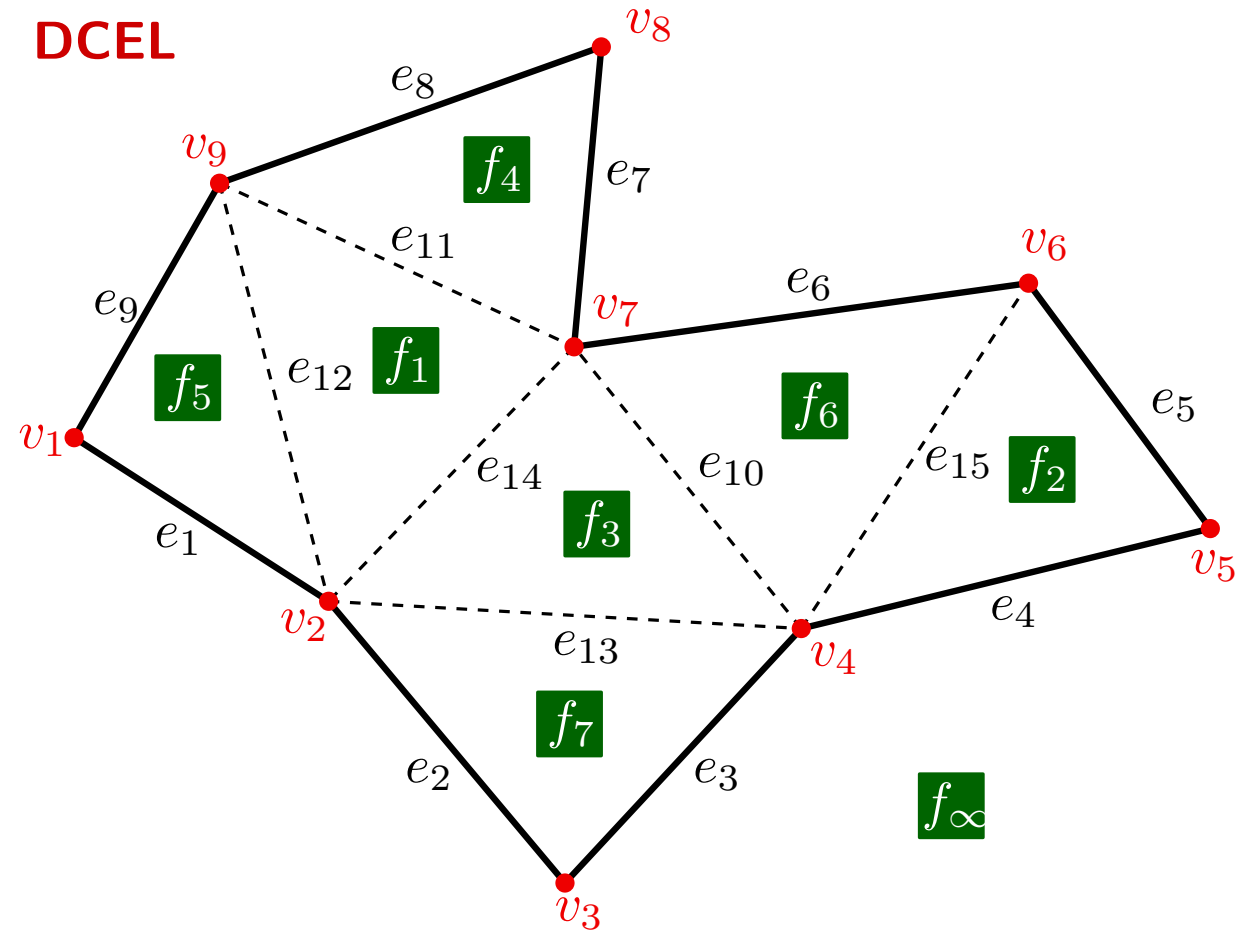


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Storage space

- For each face:
1 pointer
- For each vertex:
2 coordinates + 1 pointer
- For each edge:
6 pointers

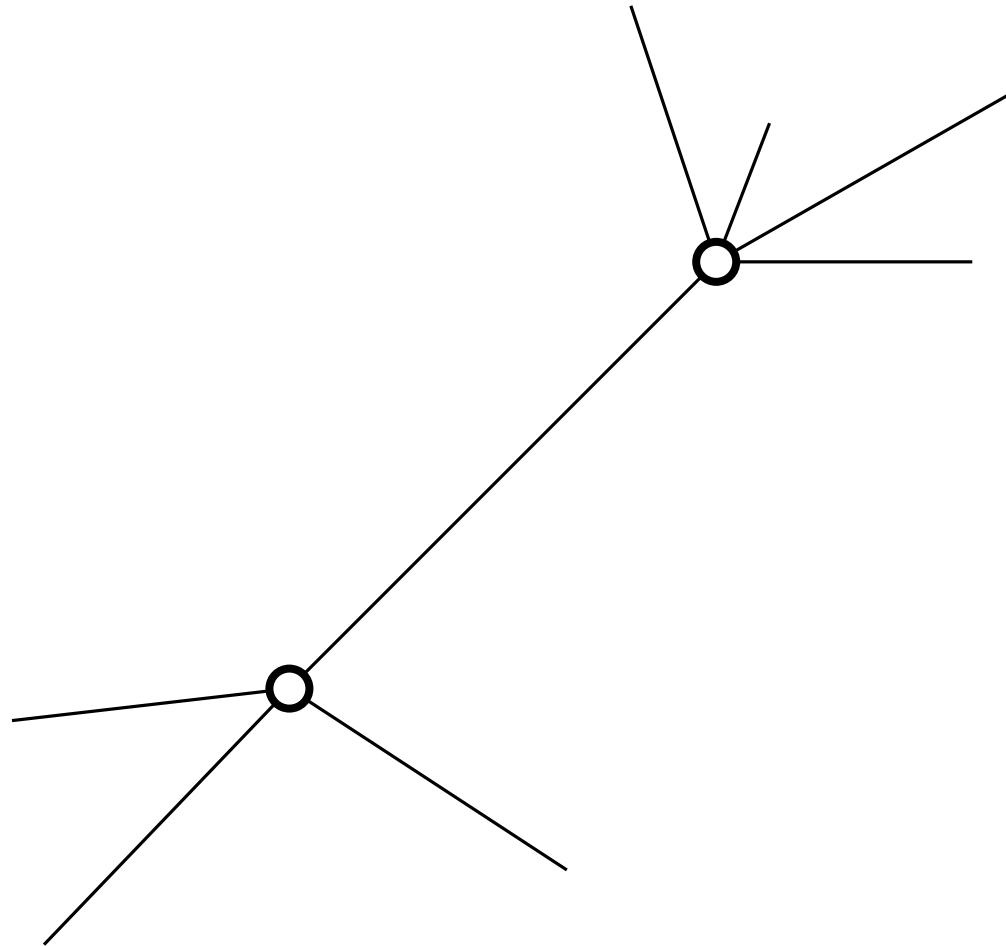
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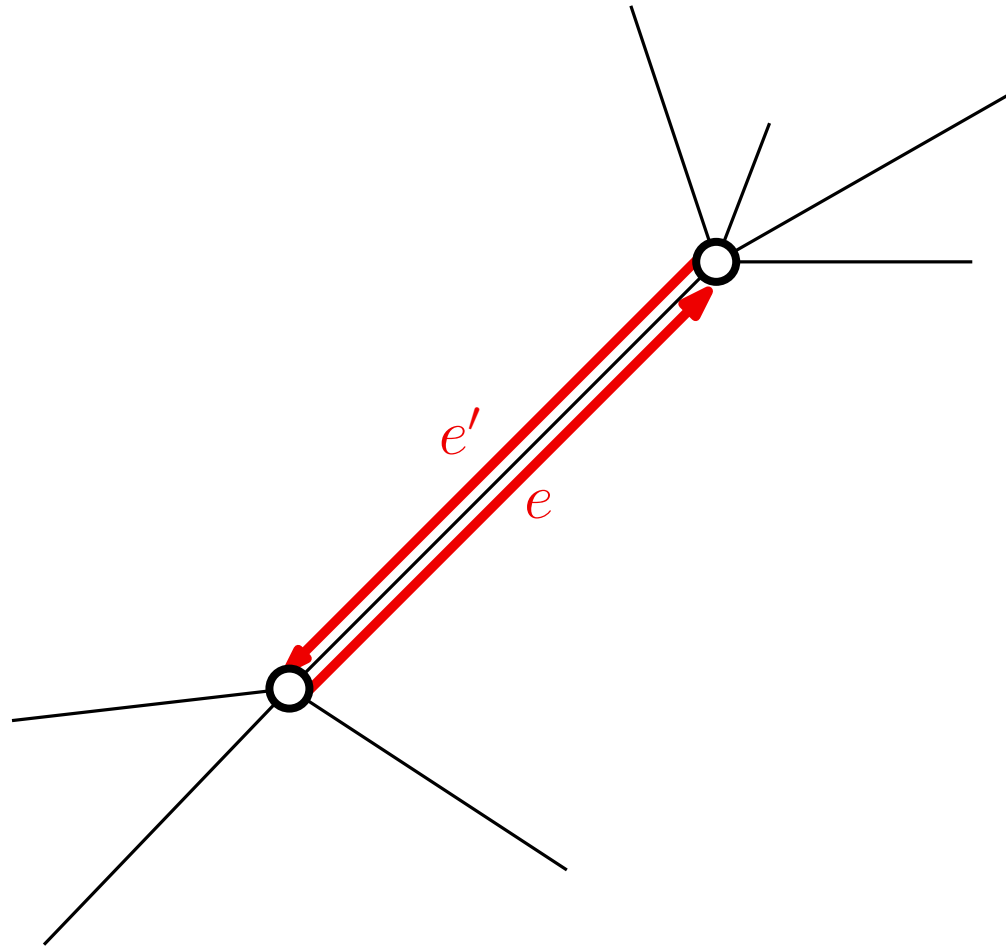
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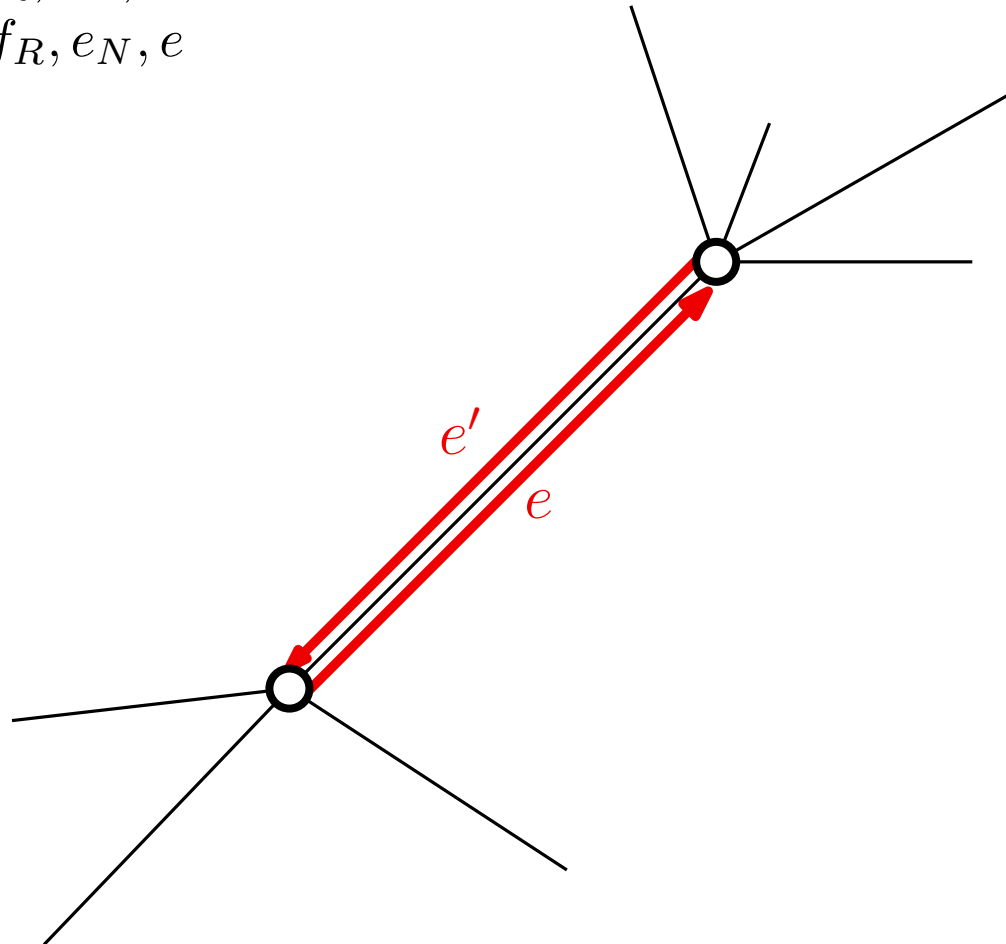
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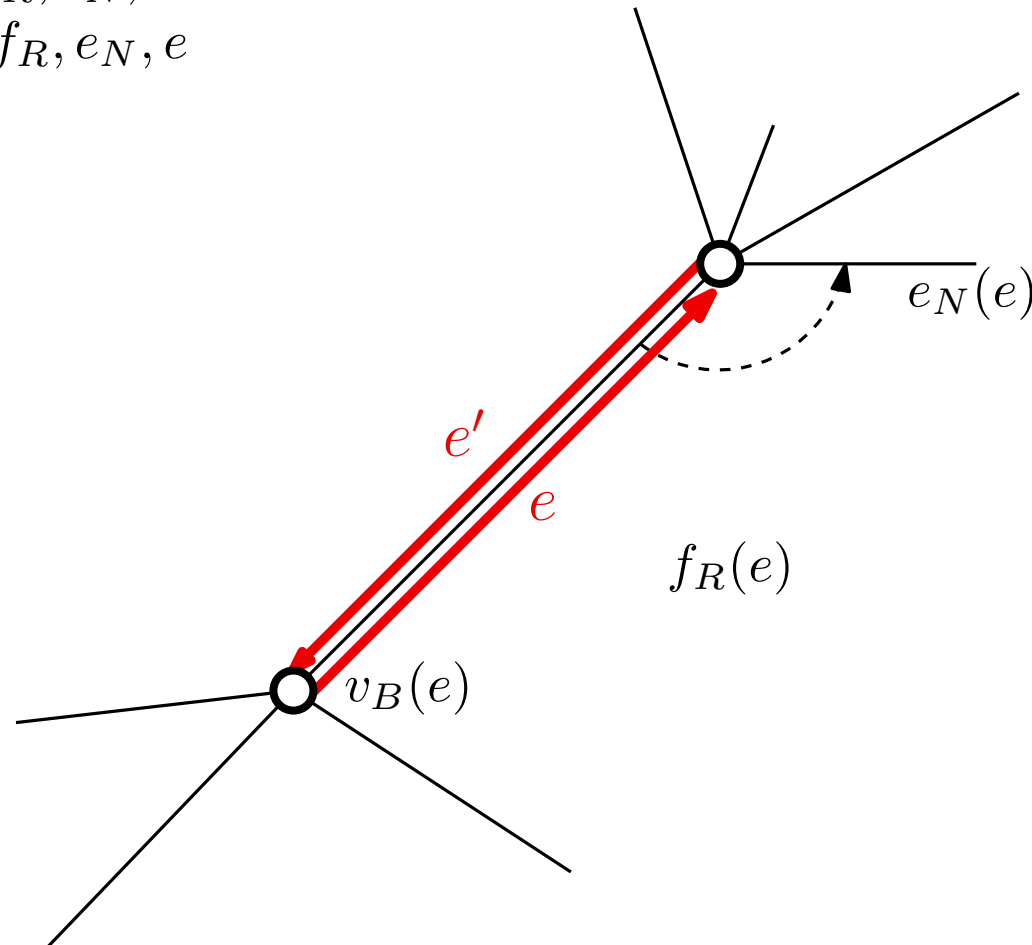


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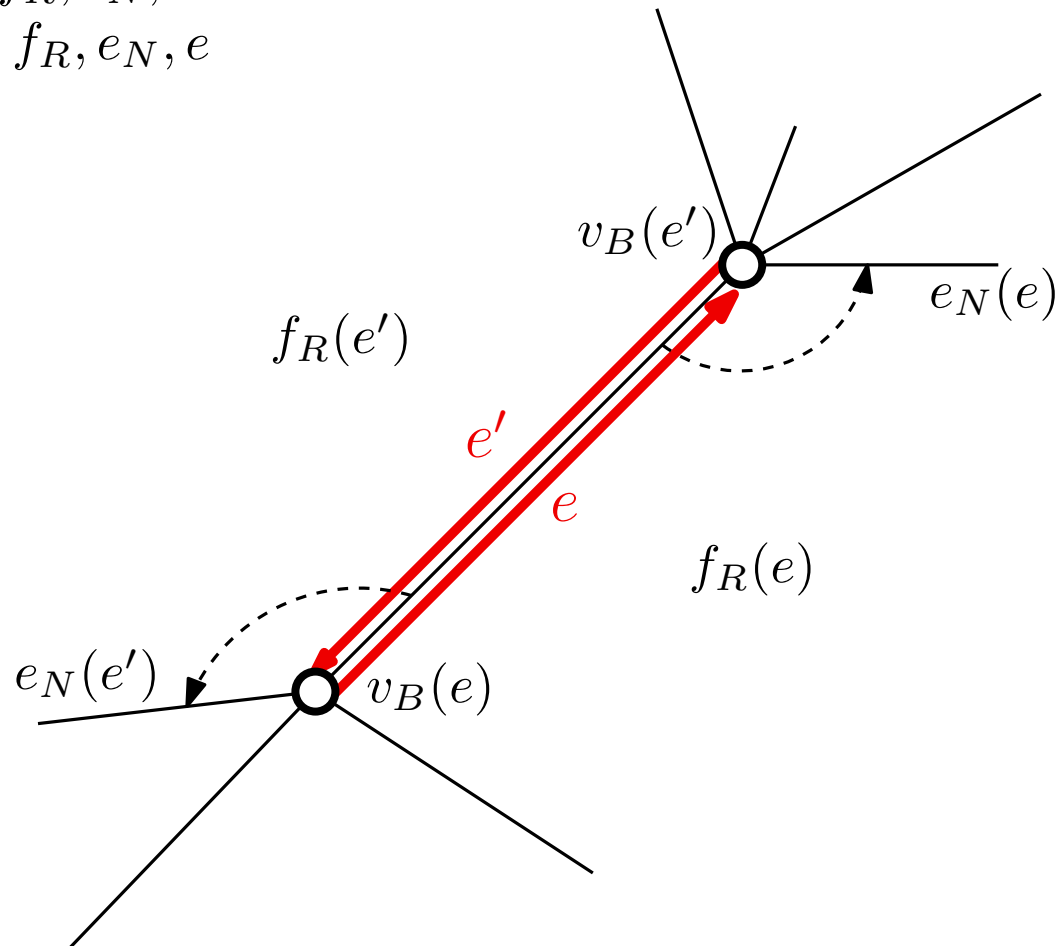


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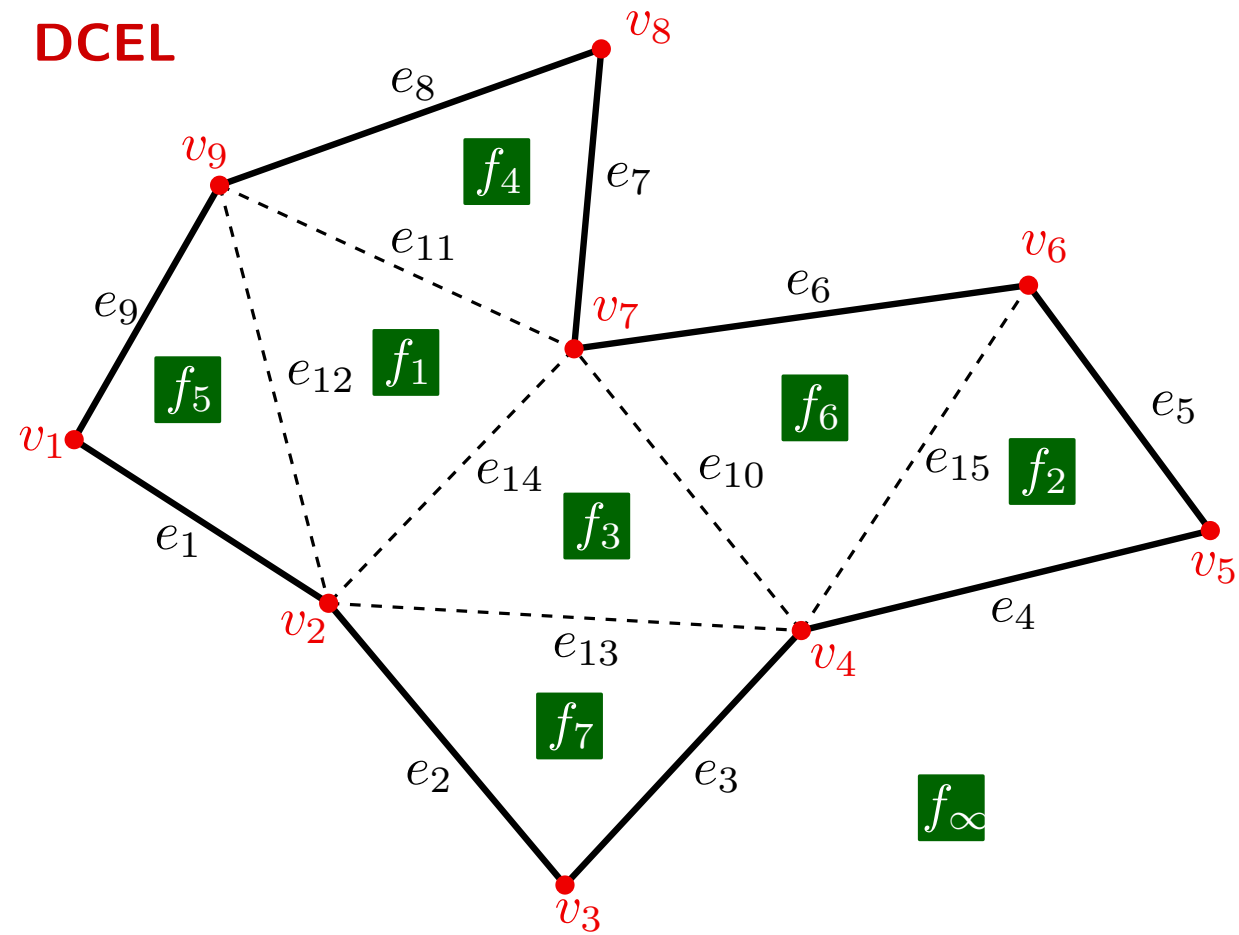
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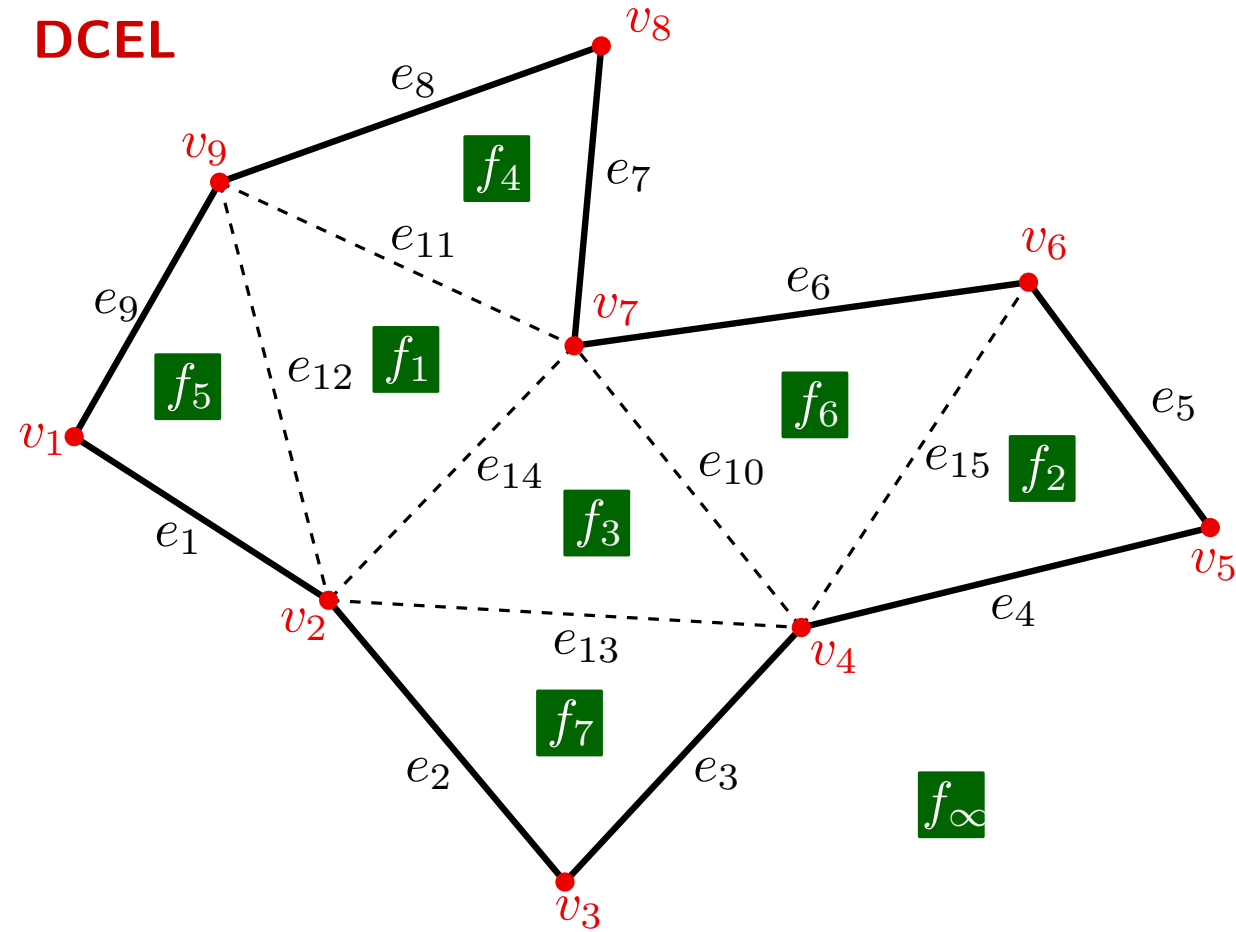


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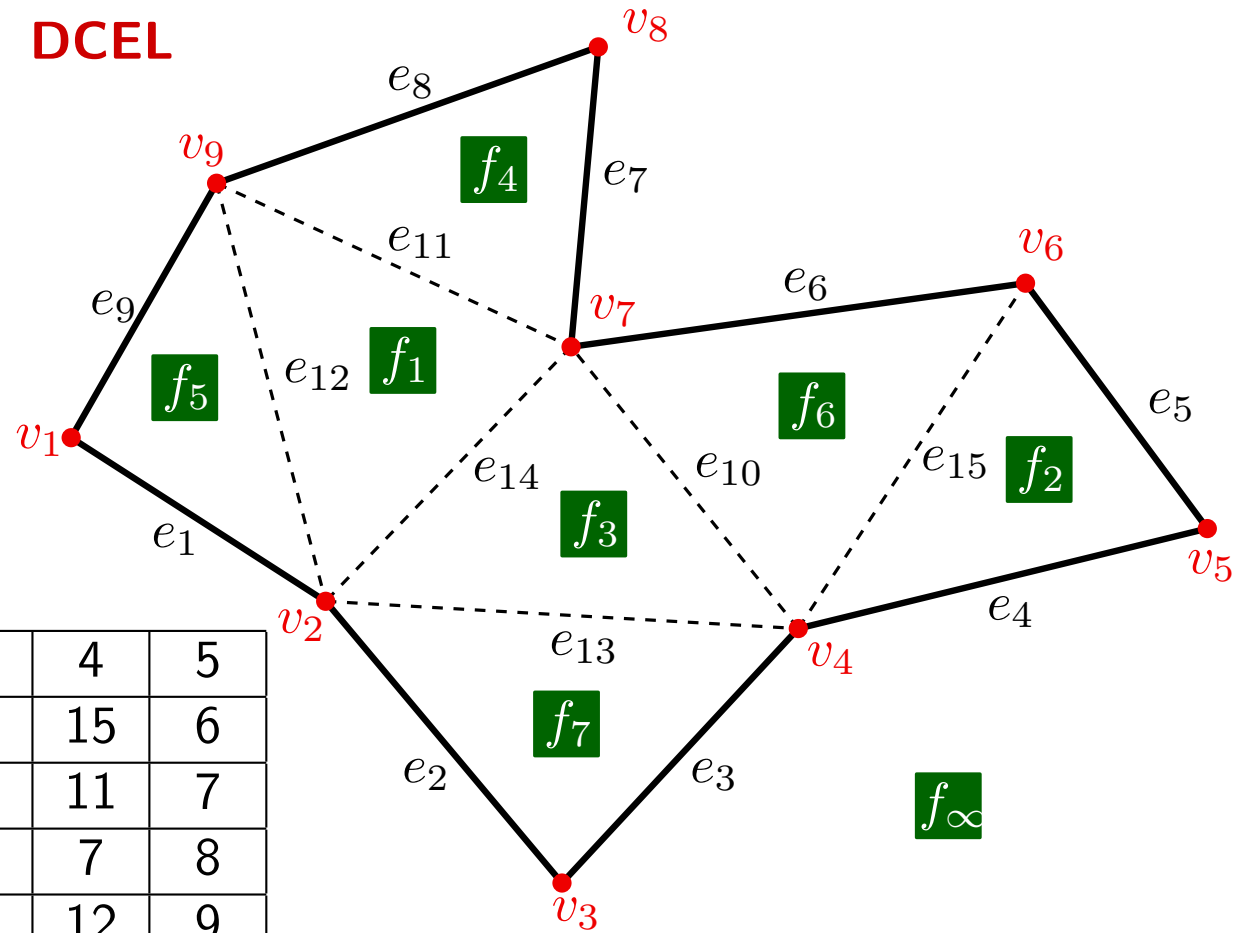
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13	2	7	3	13'
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15	4	2	5	15'
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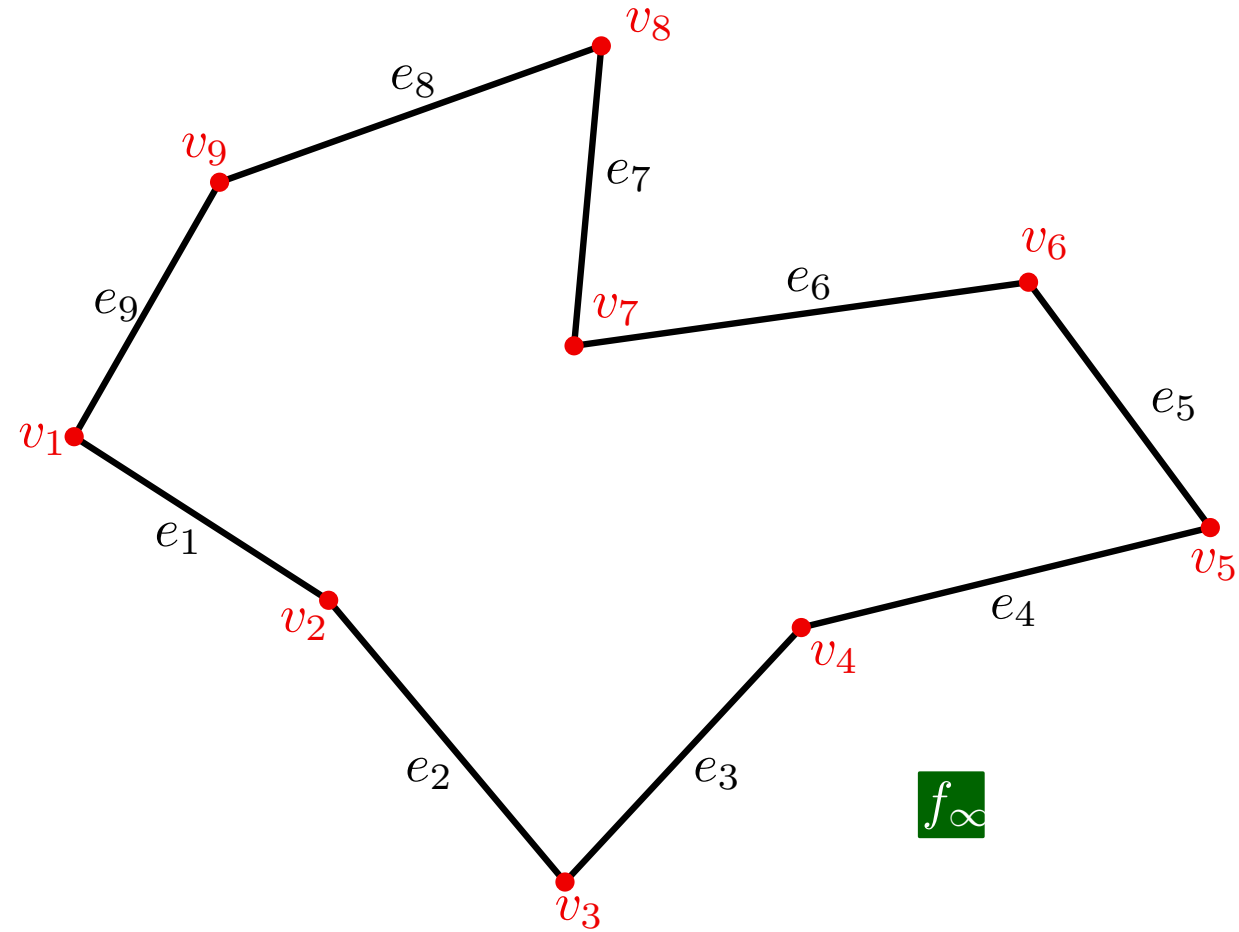
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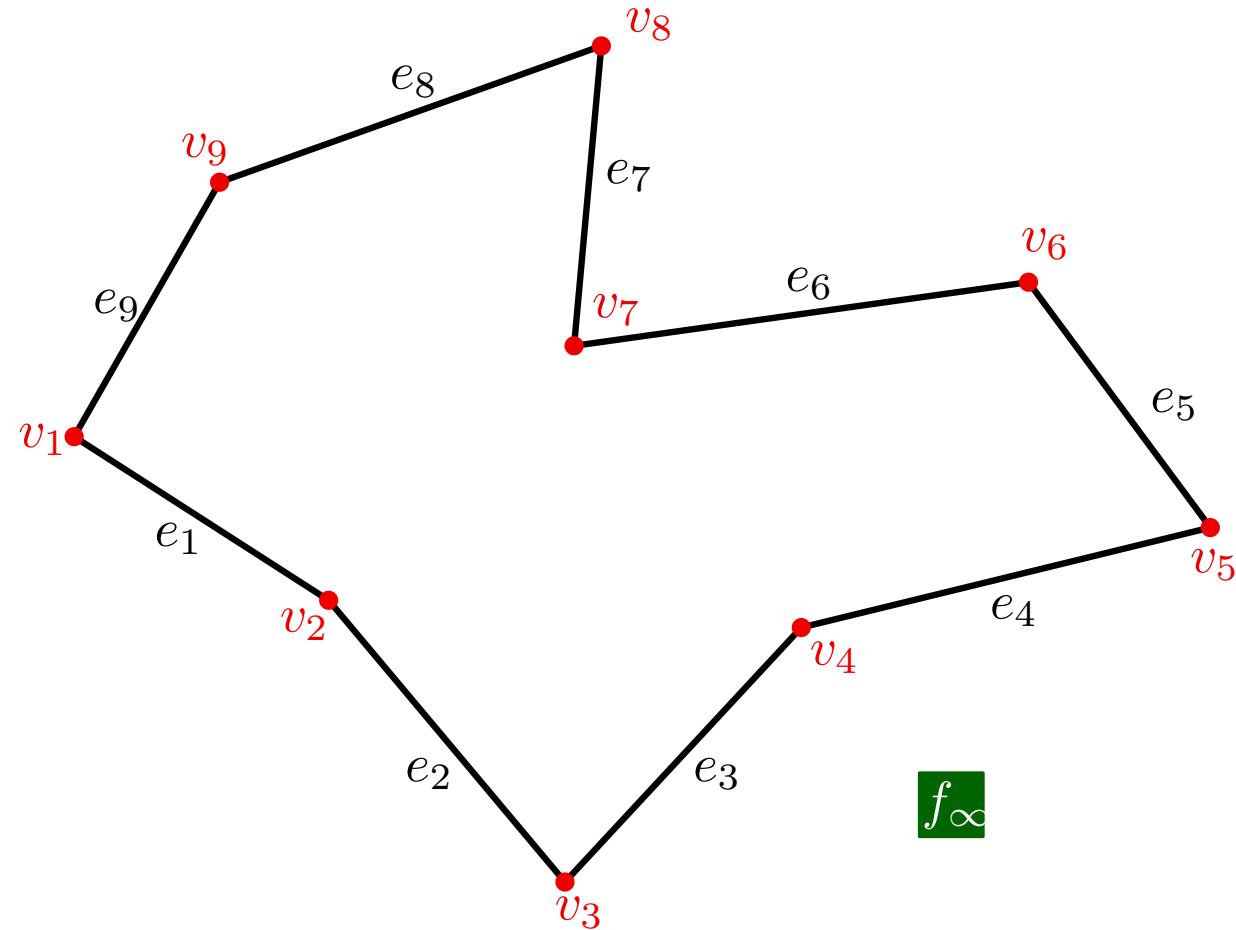


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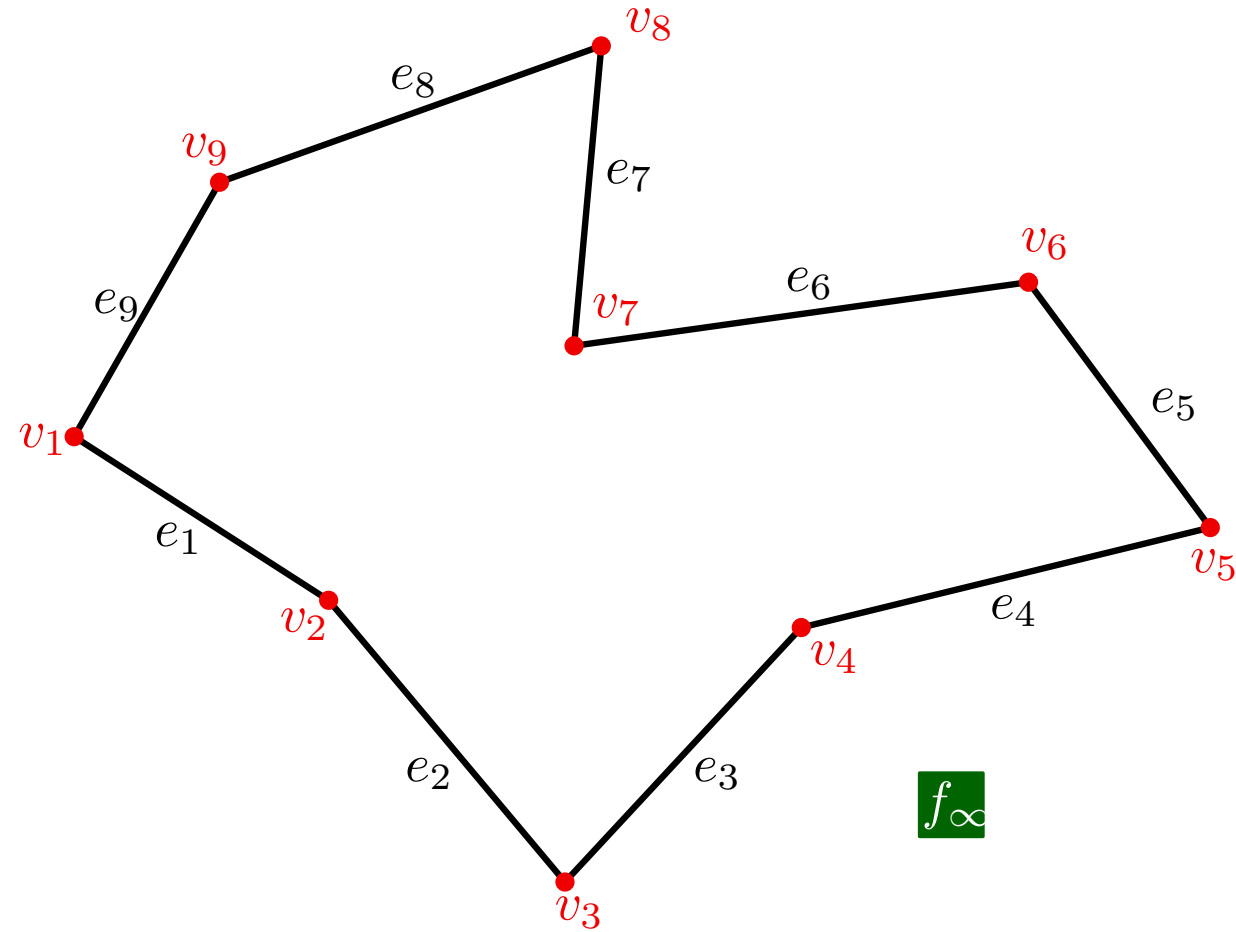
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Table of vertices

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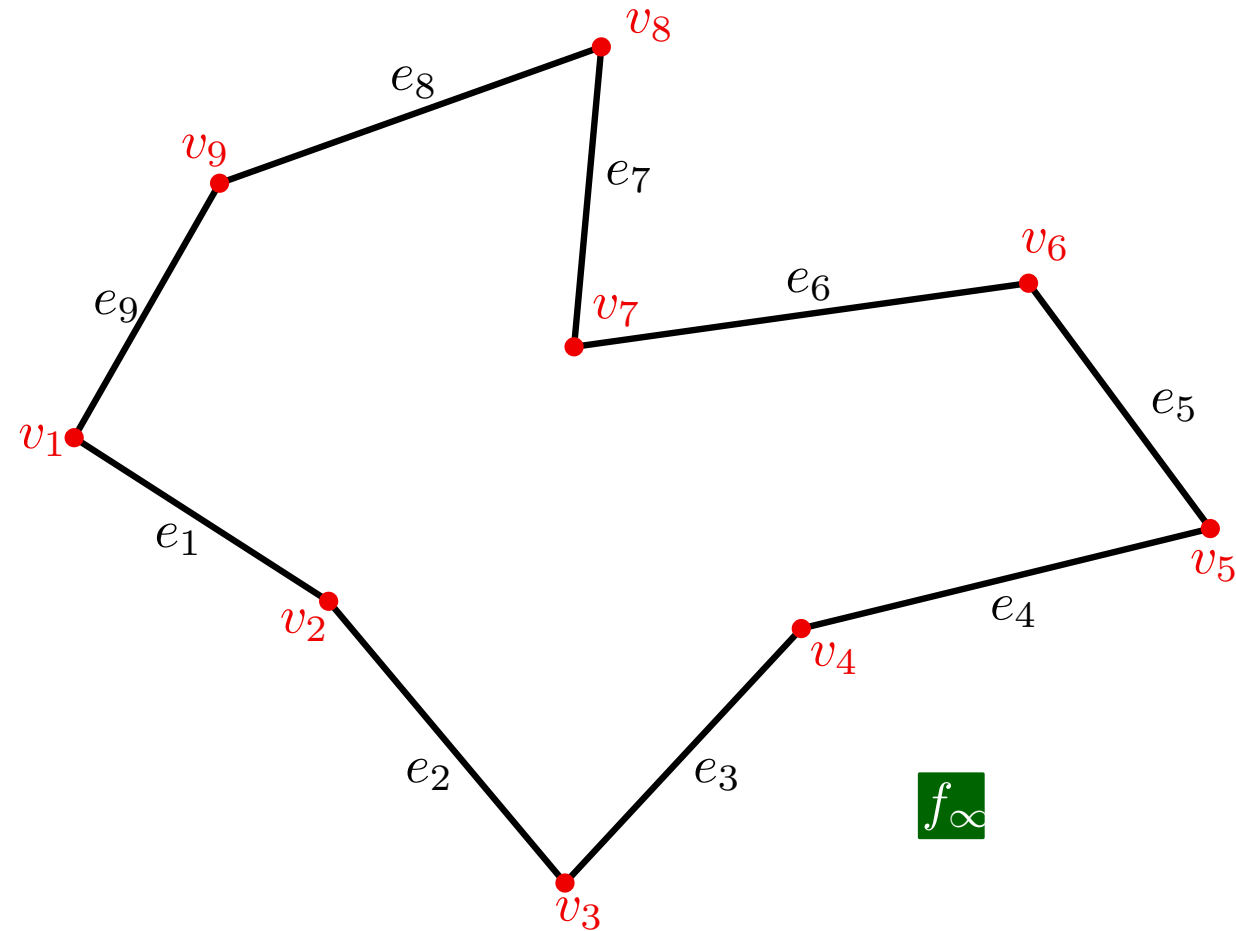
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Table of faces

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∞	9



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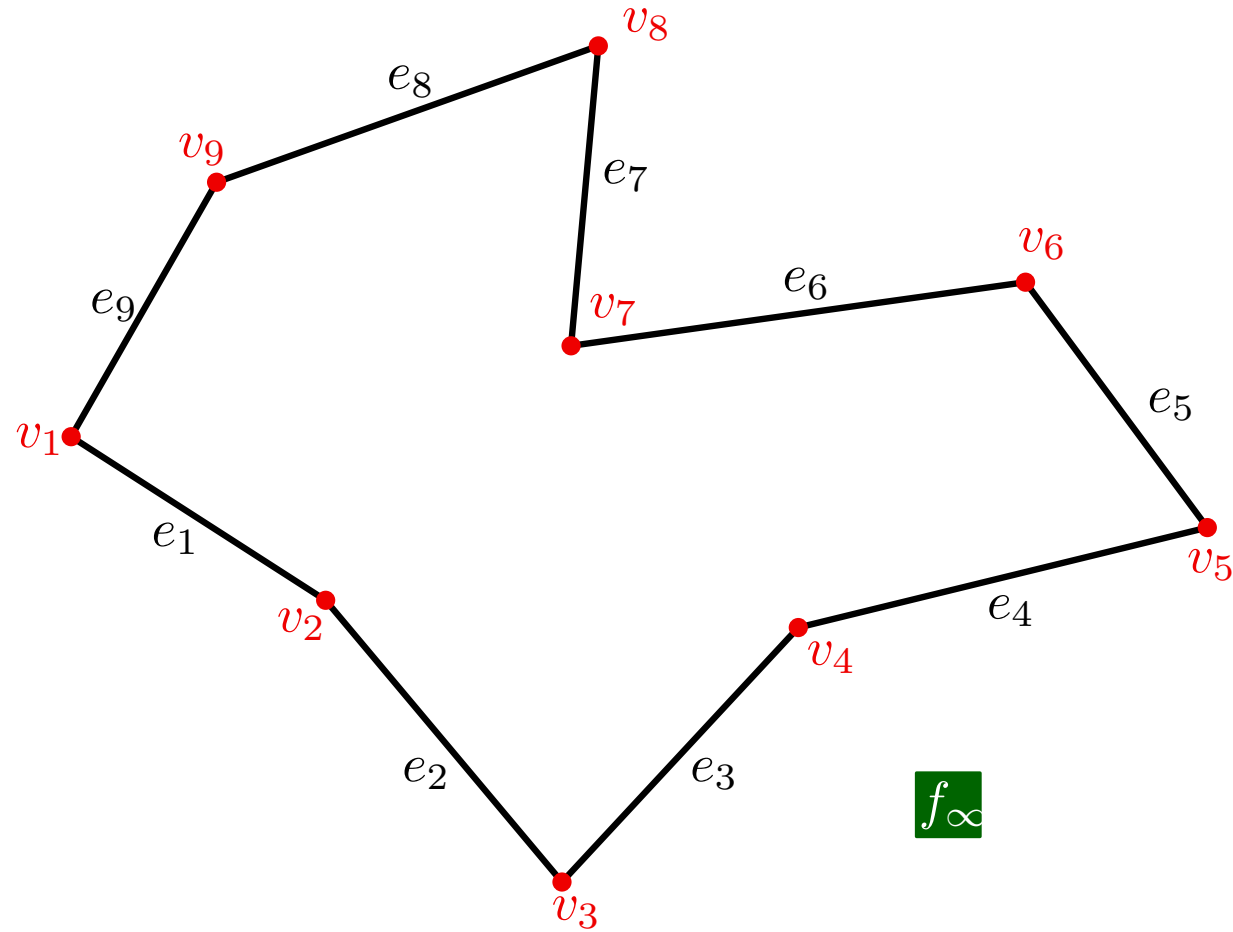
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5	5	6		∞		6
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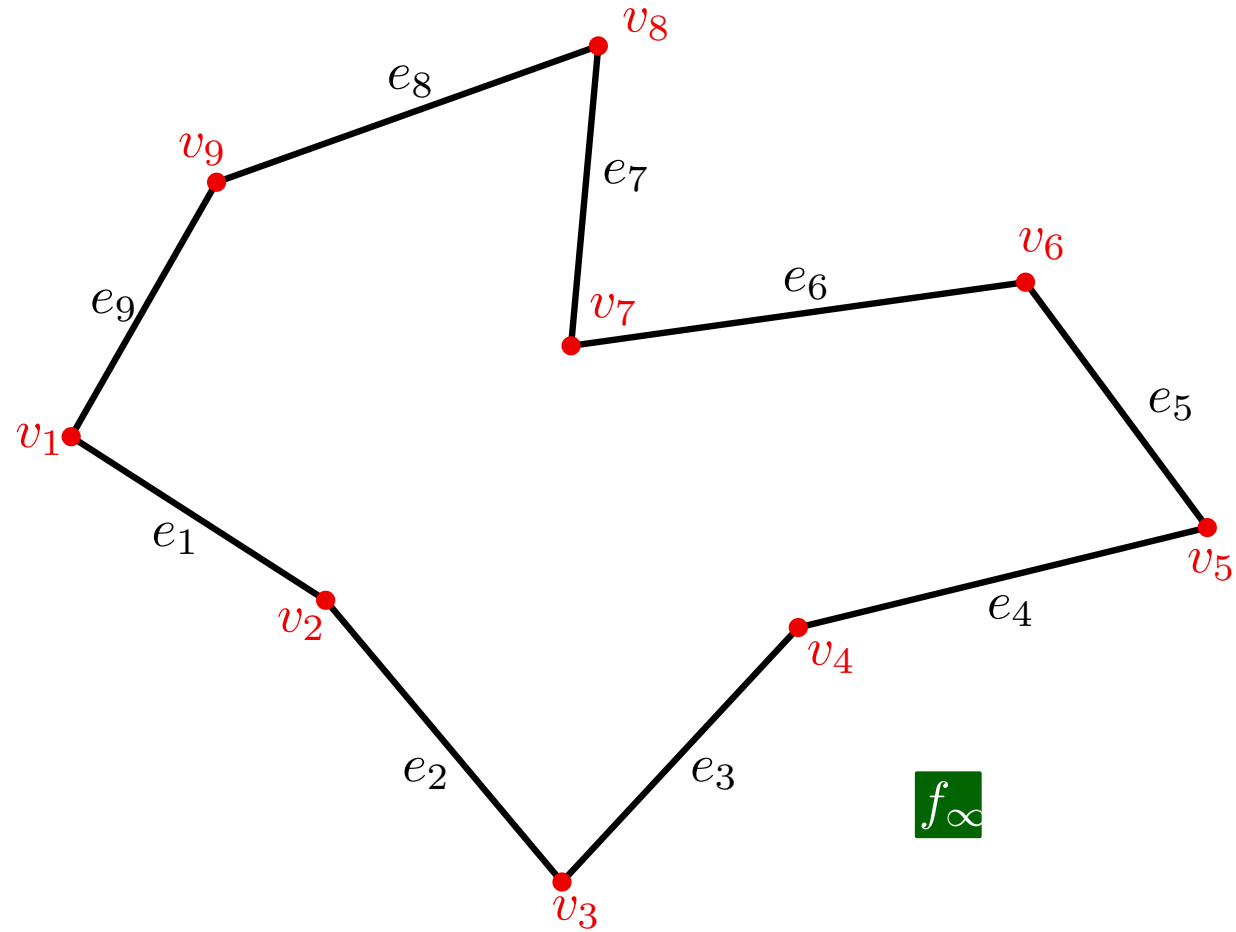
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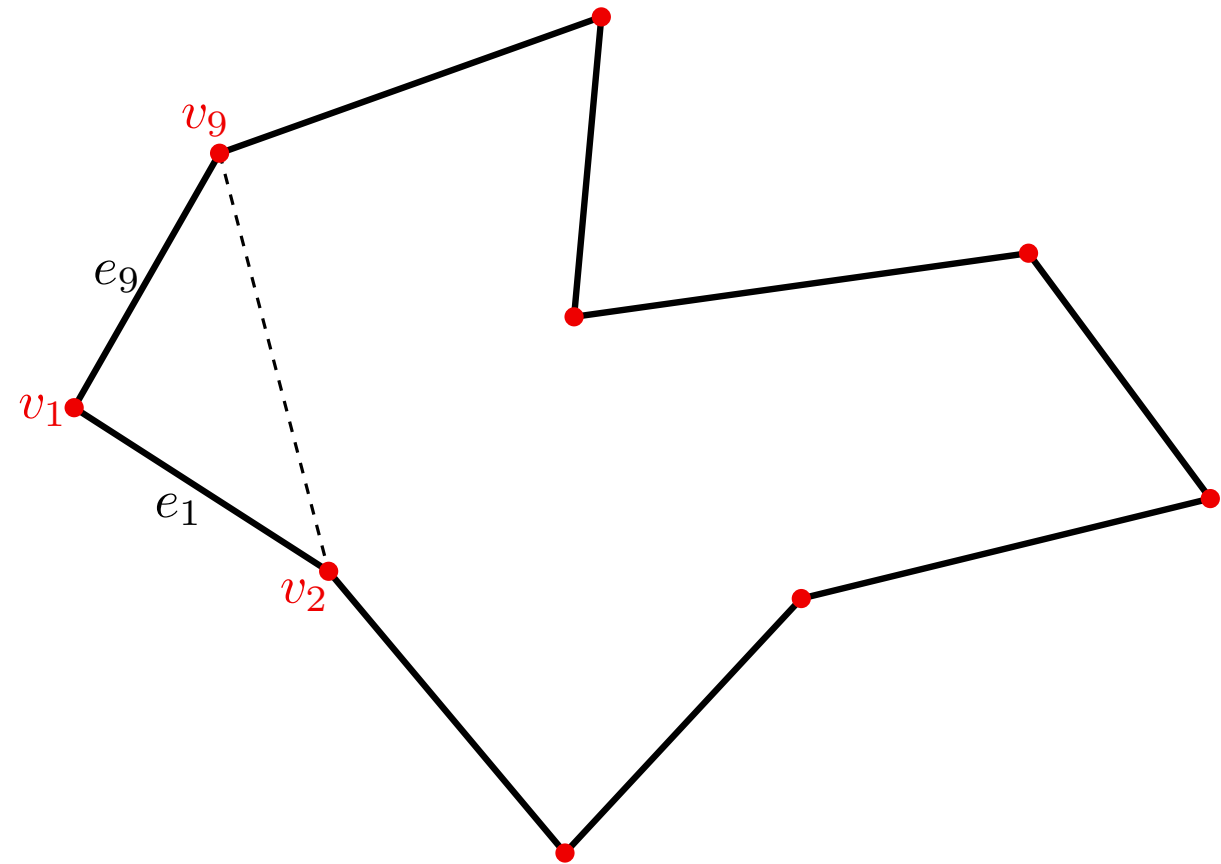


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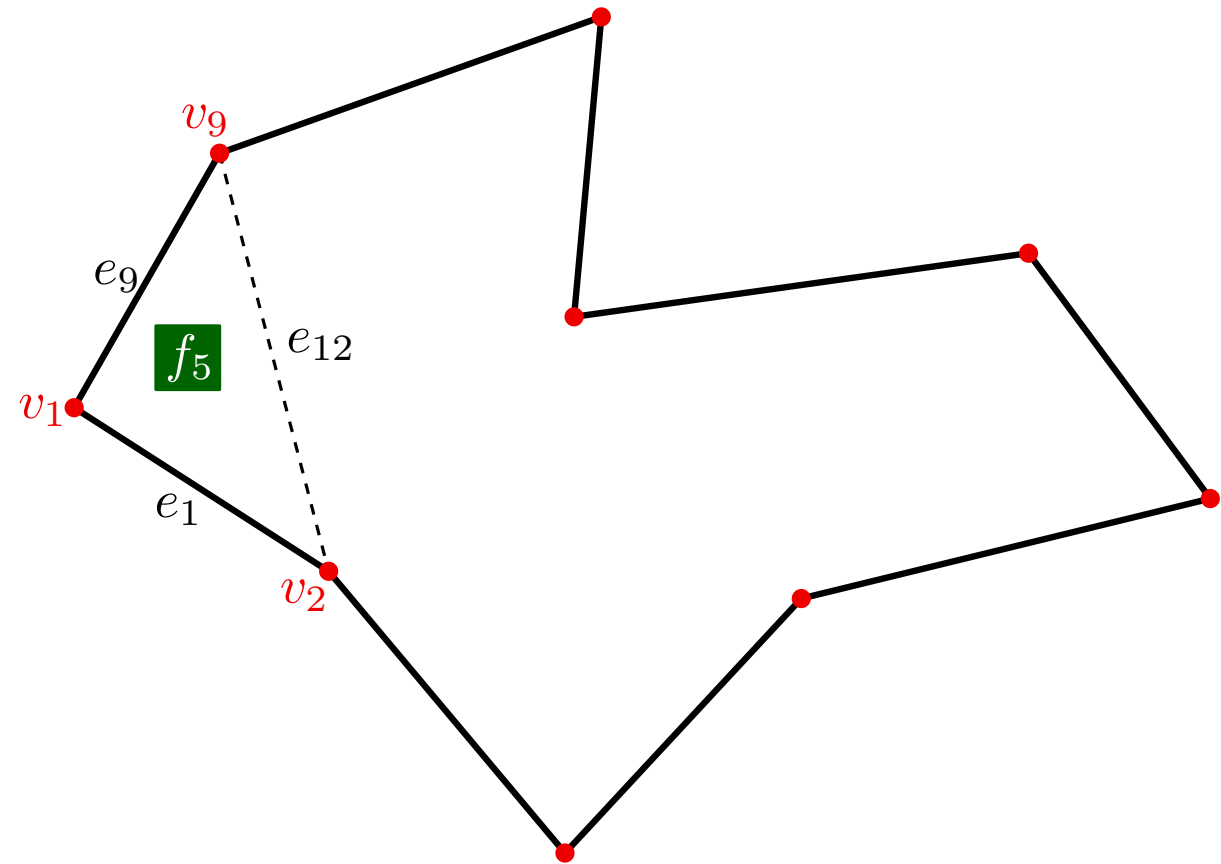


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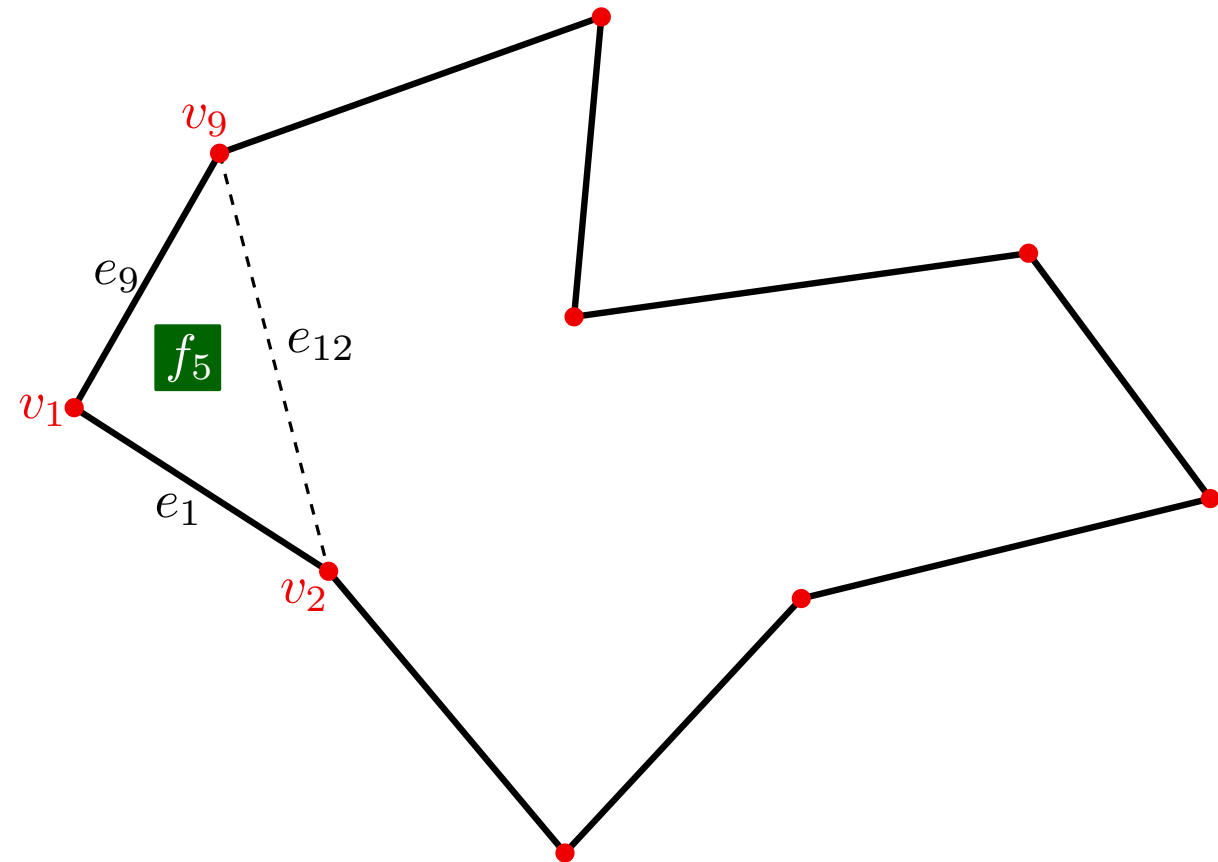
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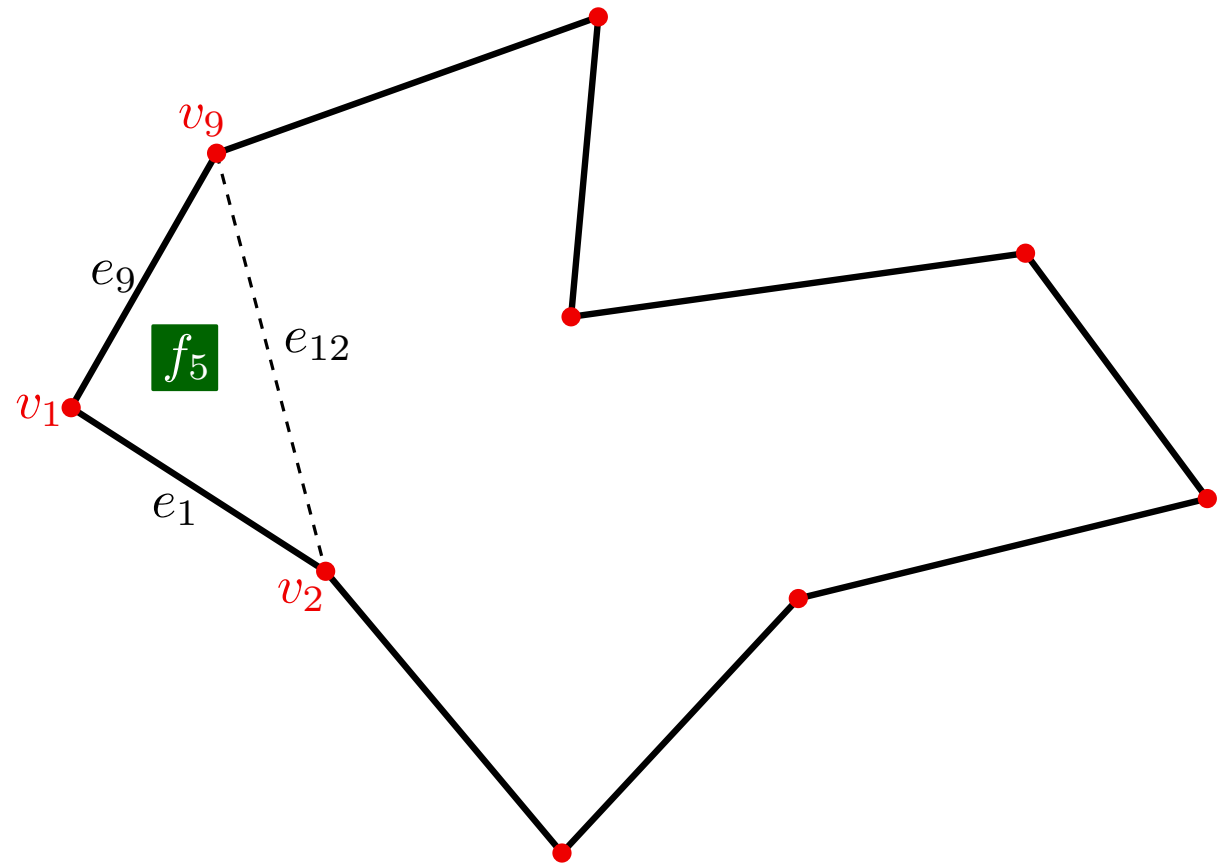
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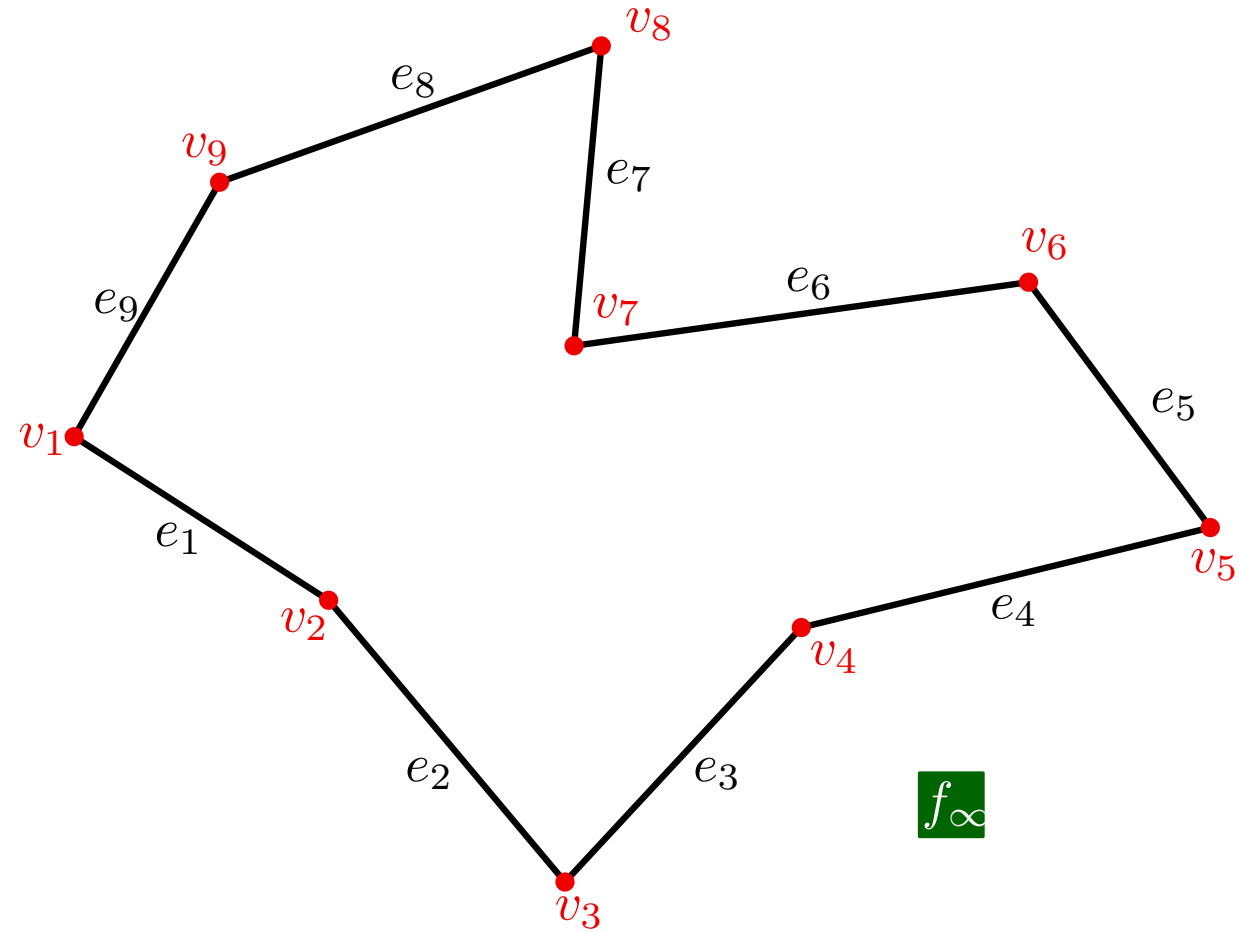
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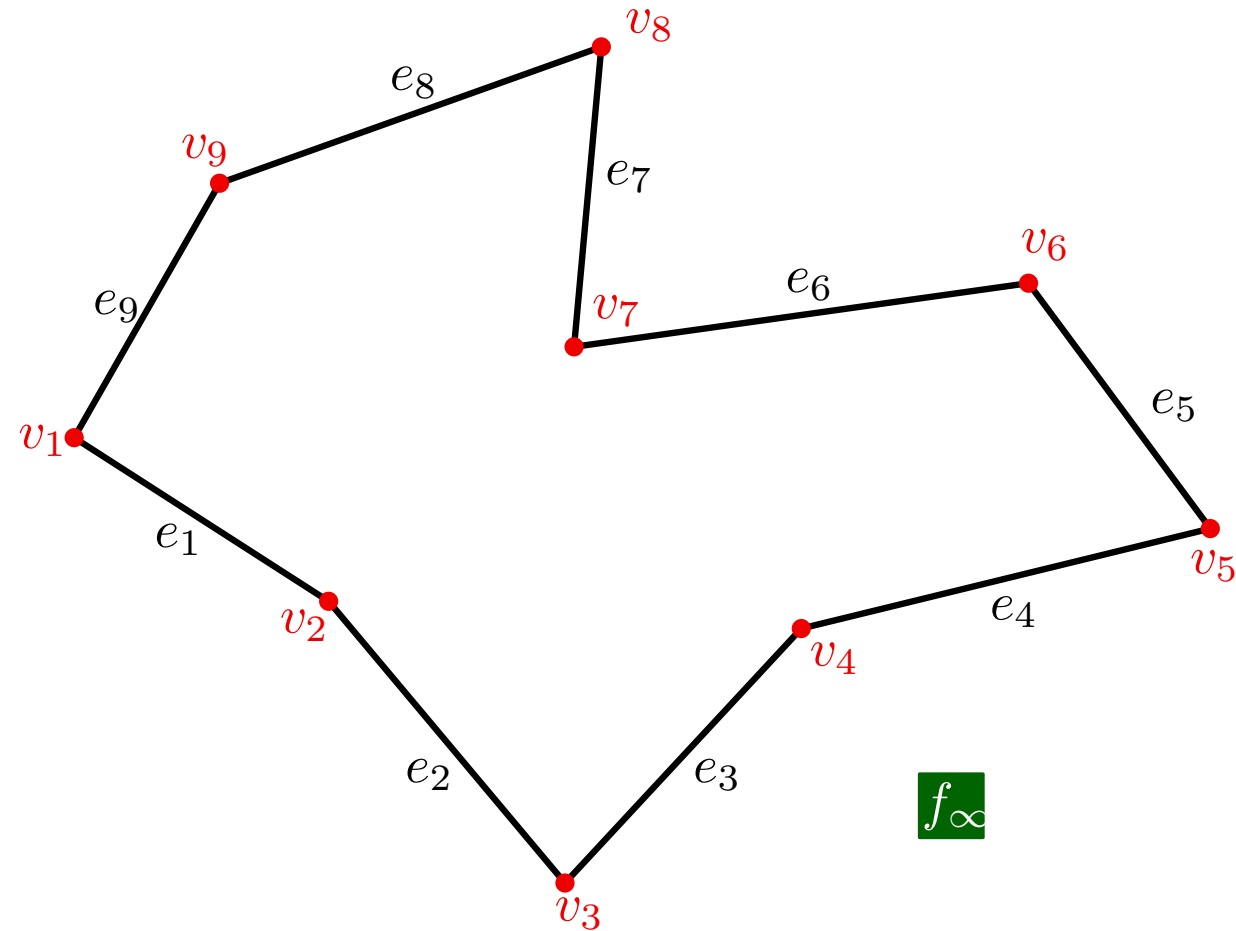


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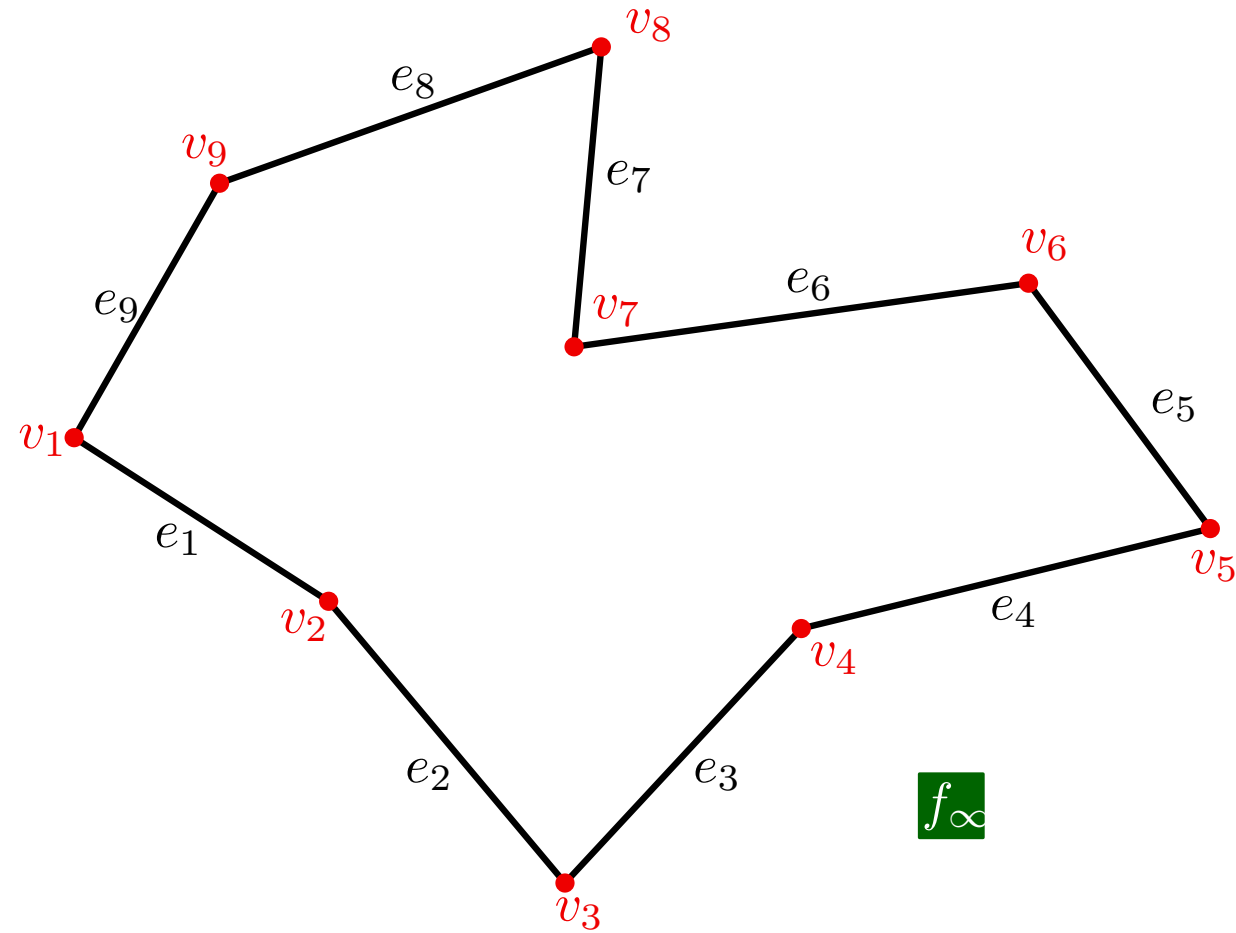
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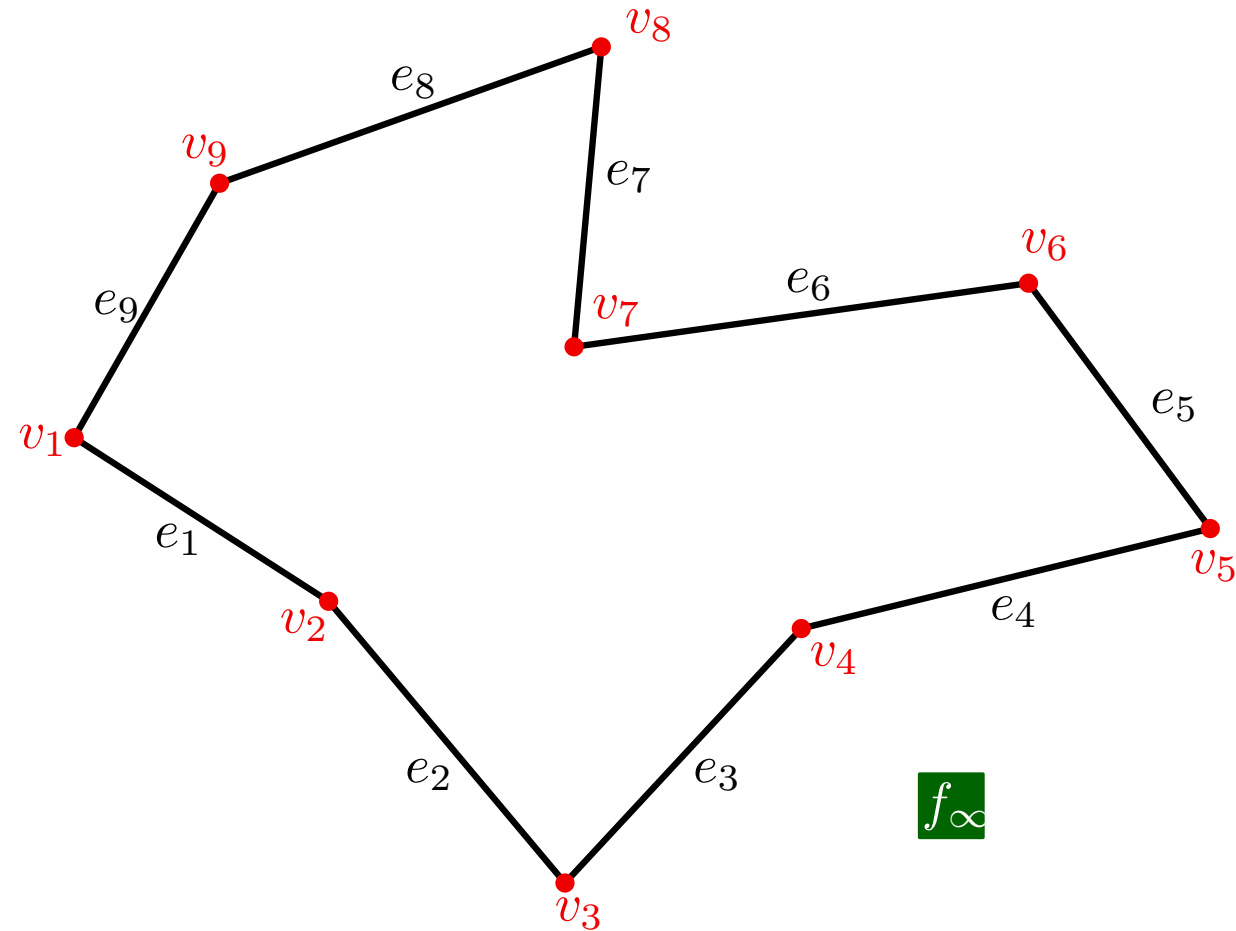
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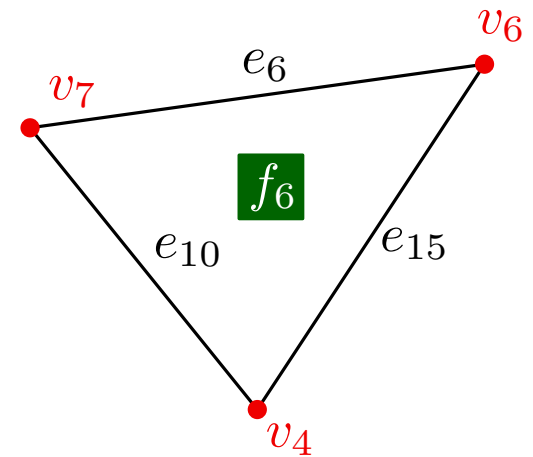


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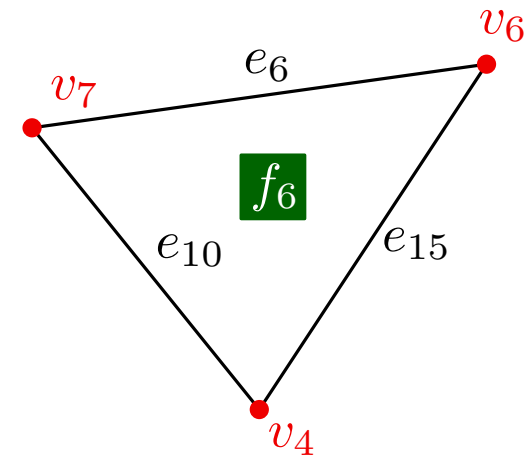
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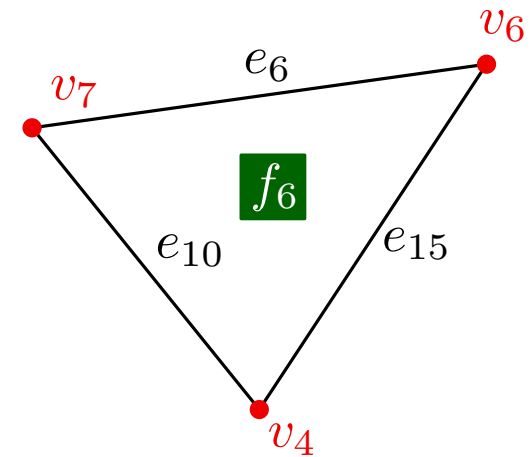
Base step

Table of faces

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6	10

DCEL

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10	7	4	6	∞	6	15
15	4	6	6	∞	10	6

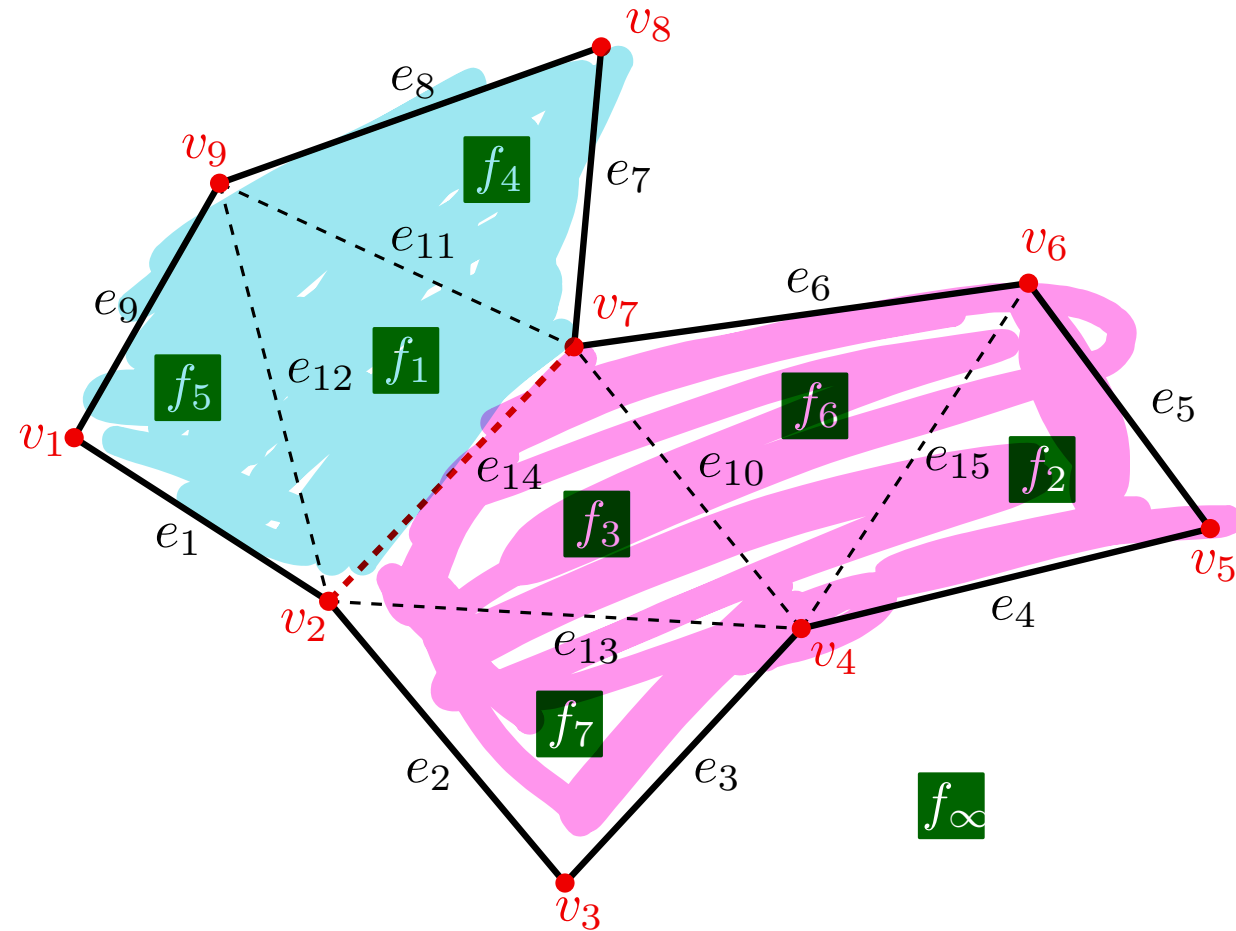


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Merge step



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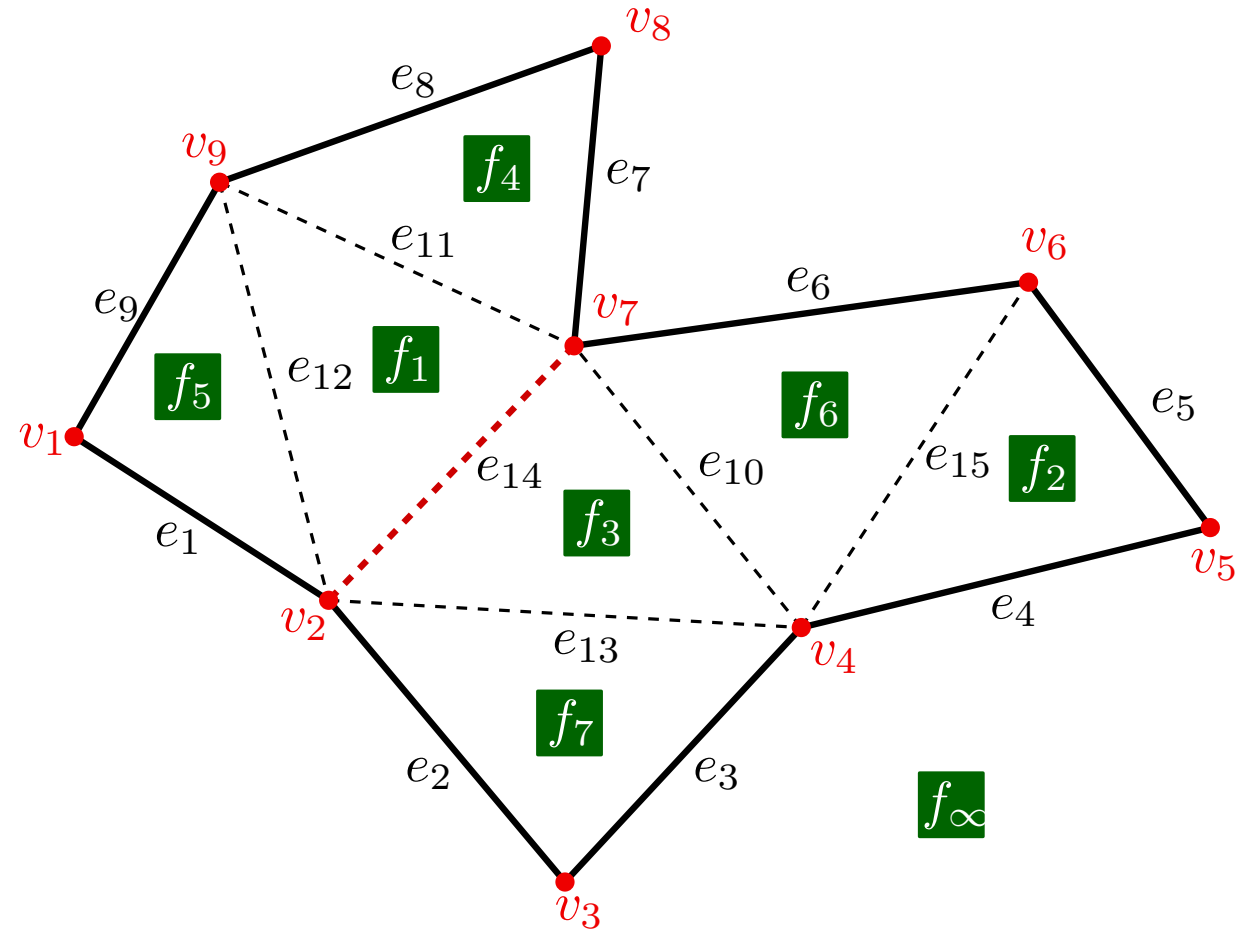
Merge step

DCEL 1

e	v_B	v_E	f_L	f_R	e_P	e_N
1	1	2	5	∞	9	14
14	2	7	1	∞	12	7

DCEL 2

e	v_B	v_E	f_L	f_R	e_P	e_N
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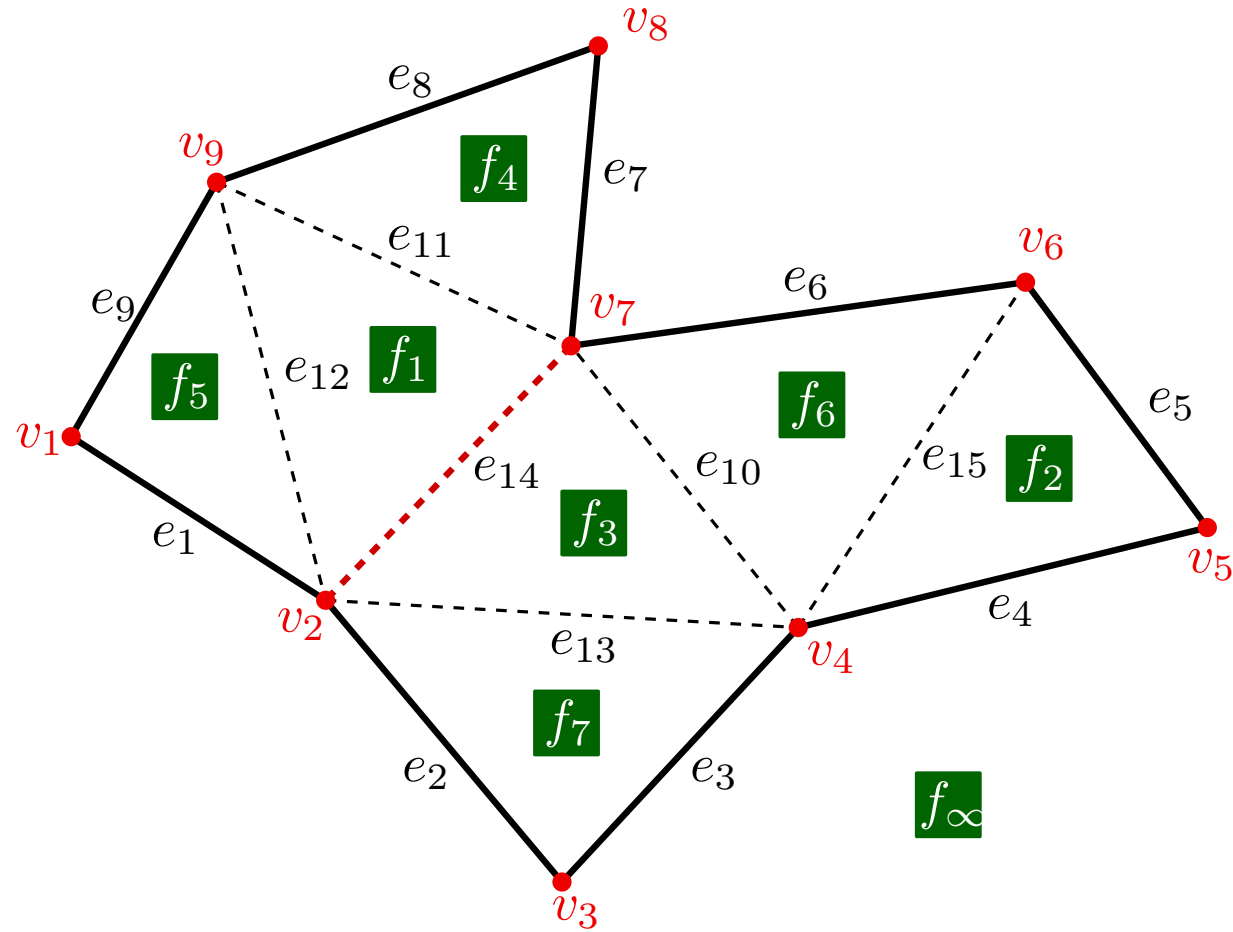
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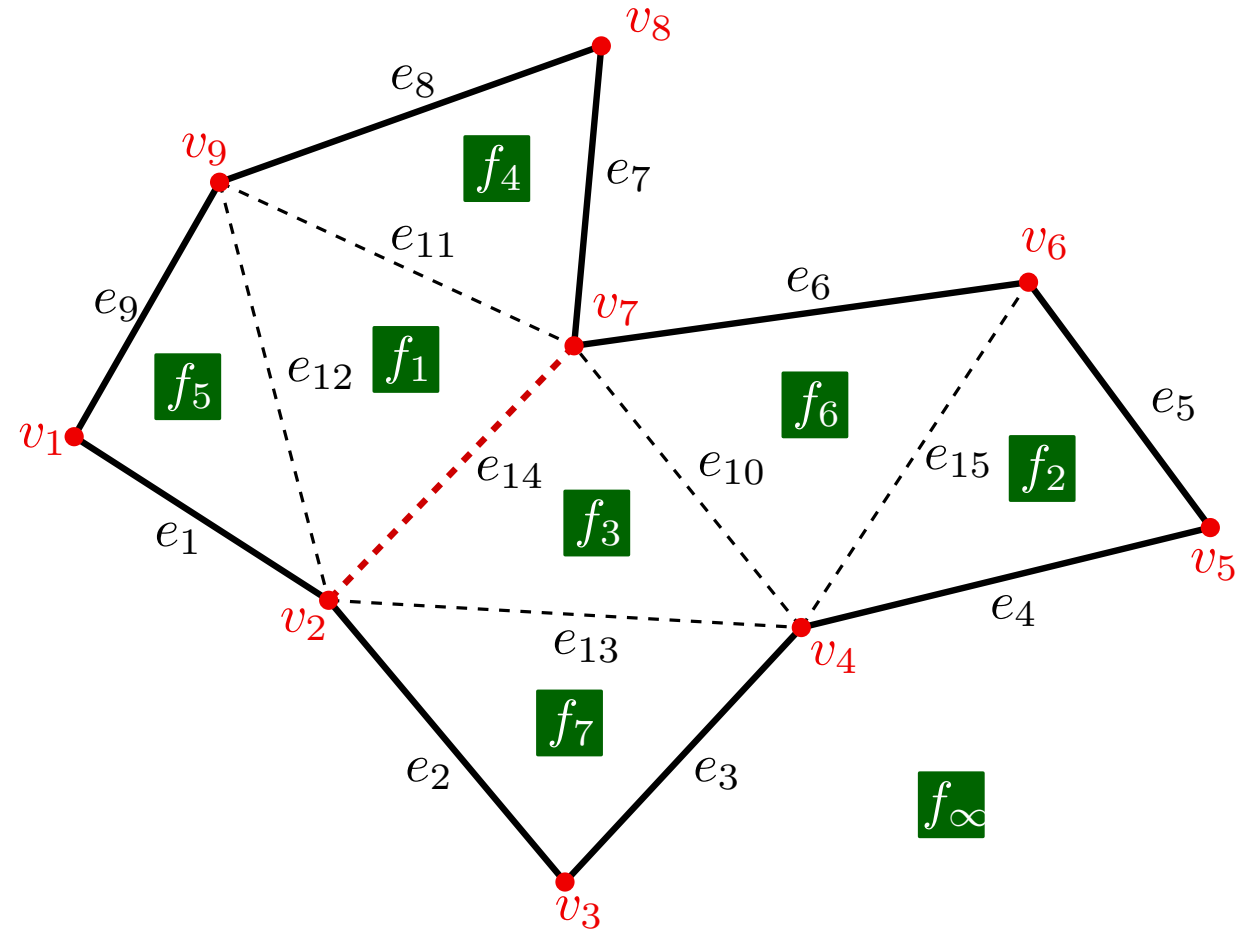
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DCEL 2

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Merged DCEL

e	v_B	v_E	f_L	f_R	e_P	e_N
1	1	2	5	∞	9	2
6	6	7	6	∞	15	7
14	2	7	1	3	12	10



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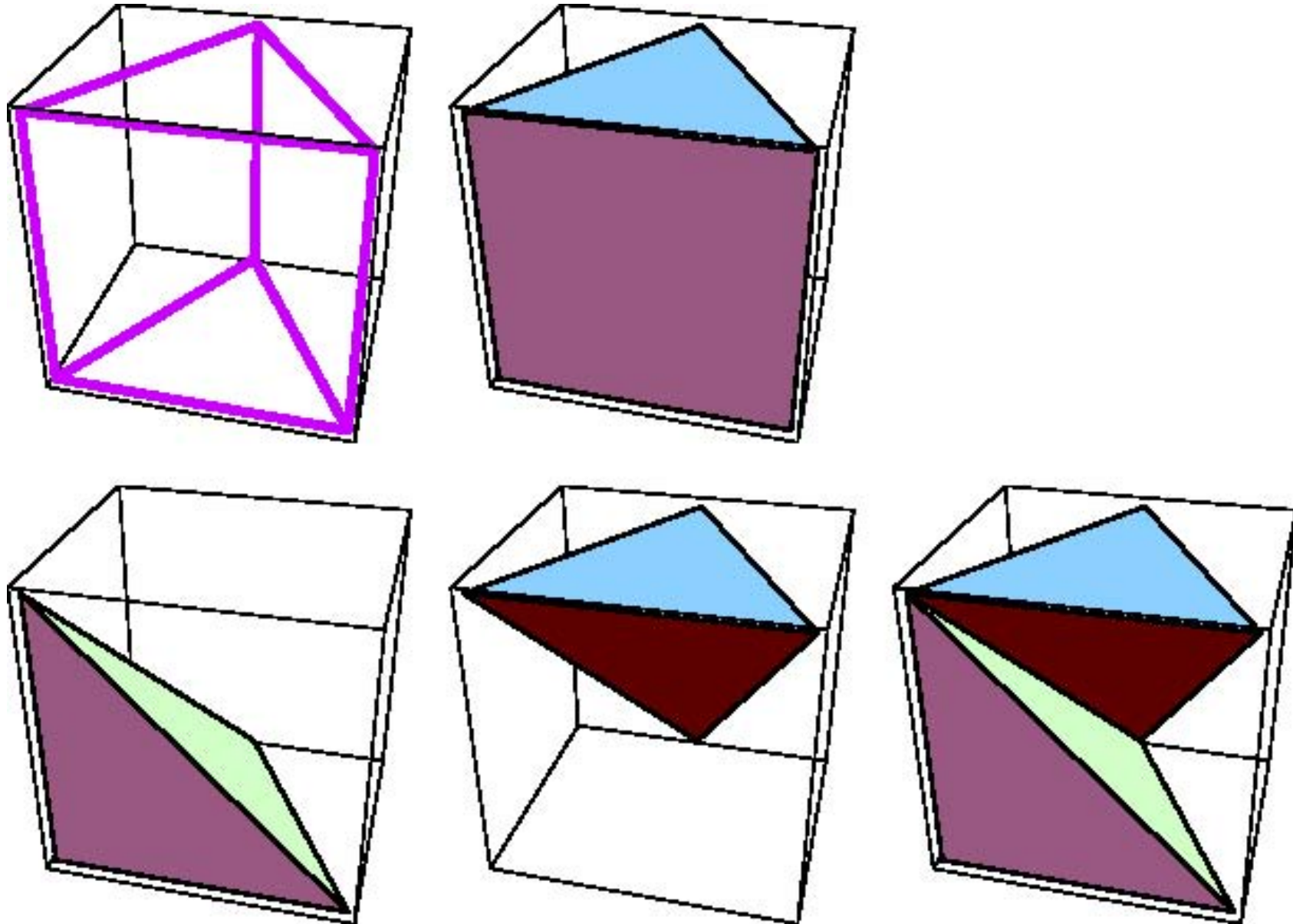
Computing the DCEL is done by combining previous strategies:

- Separating ears for triangulating each monotone subpolygon.
- Merging DCELs for putting together the monotone pieces.

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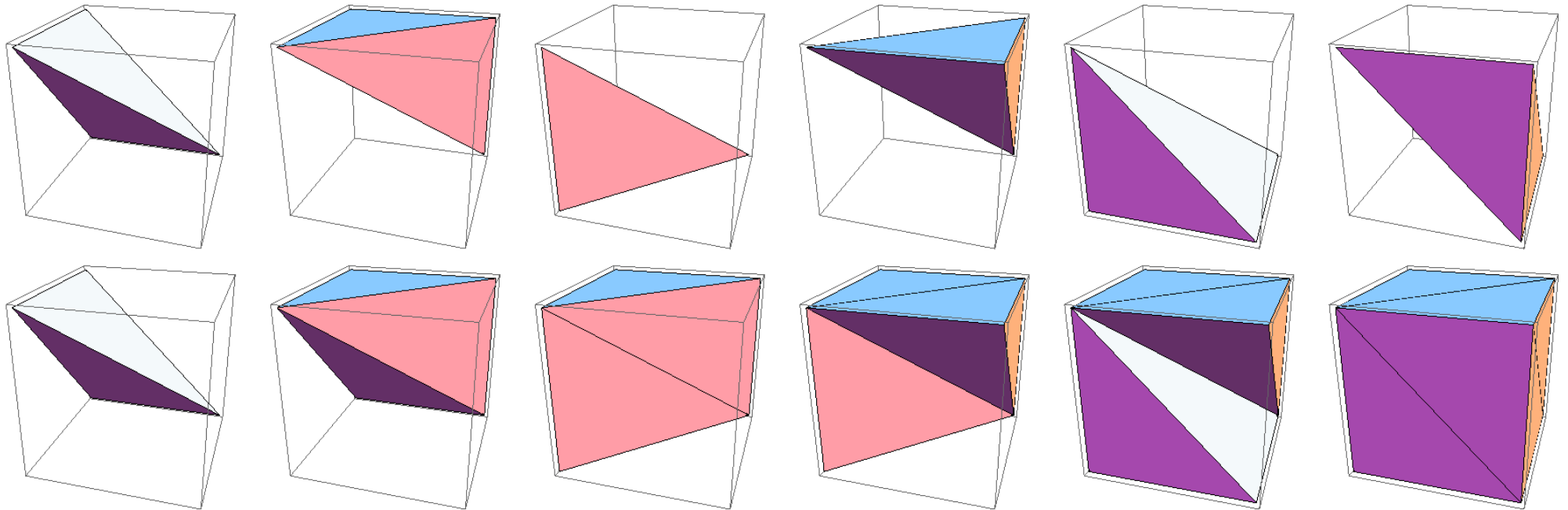
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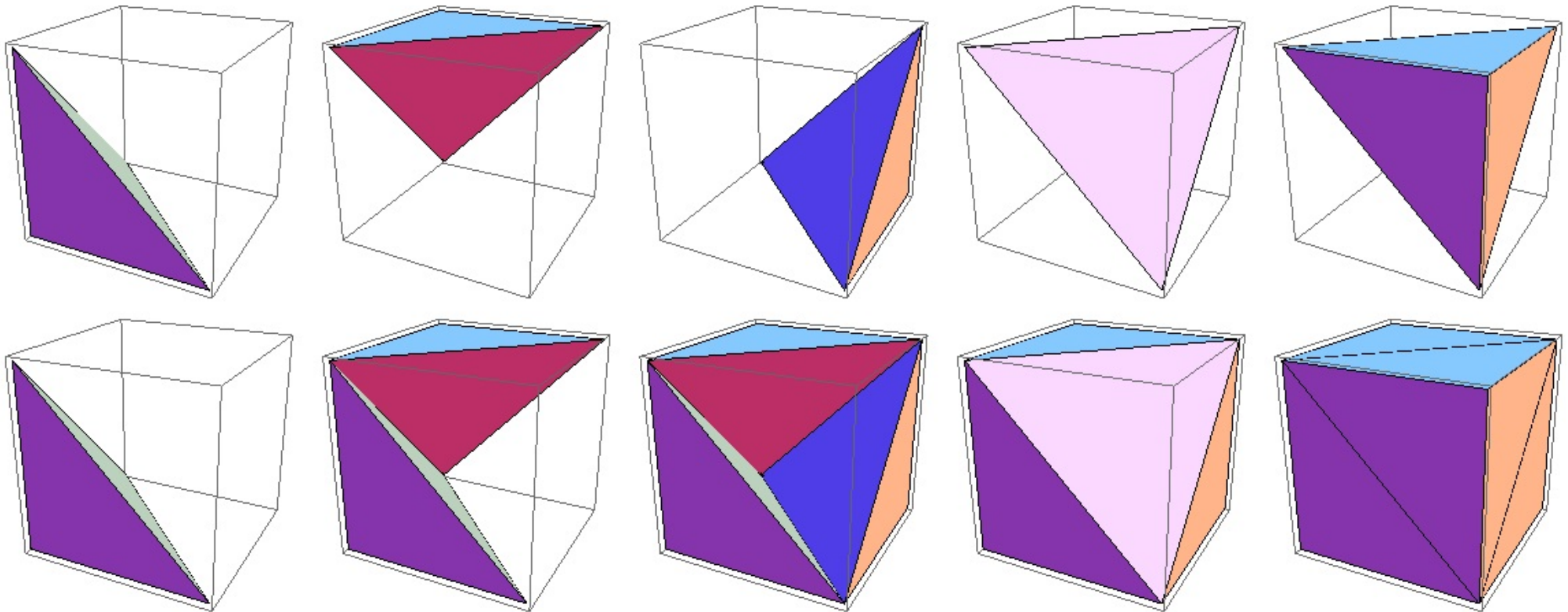
A cube can be decomposed into 6 tetrahedra...



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but also into 5!



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A polyhedron that cannot be tetrahedralized:

Schönhardt polyhedron

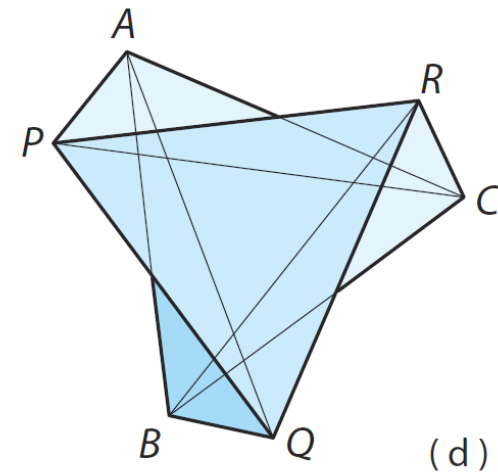
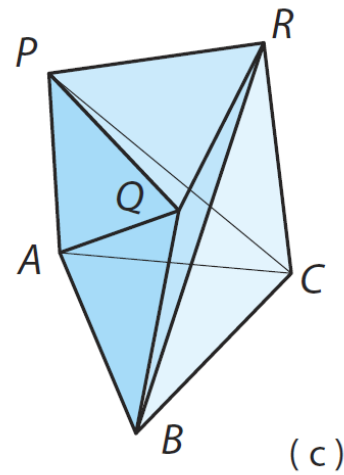
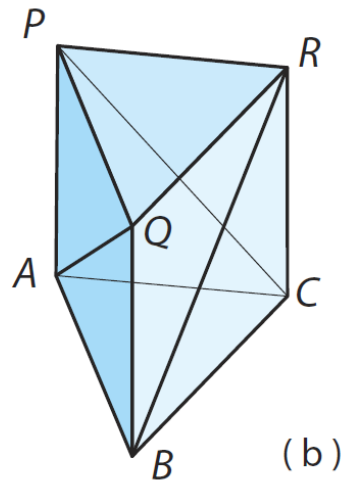
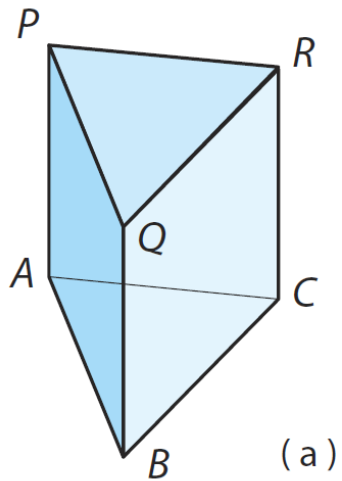


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Smallest polyhedron that cannot be tetrahedralized

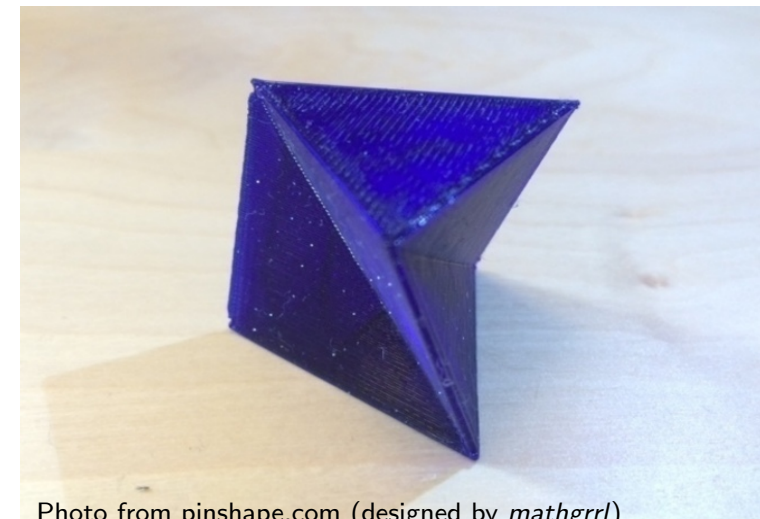


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A NICE APPLICATION

The art gallery theorem

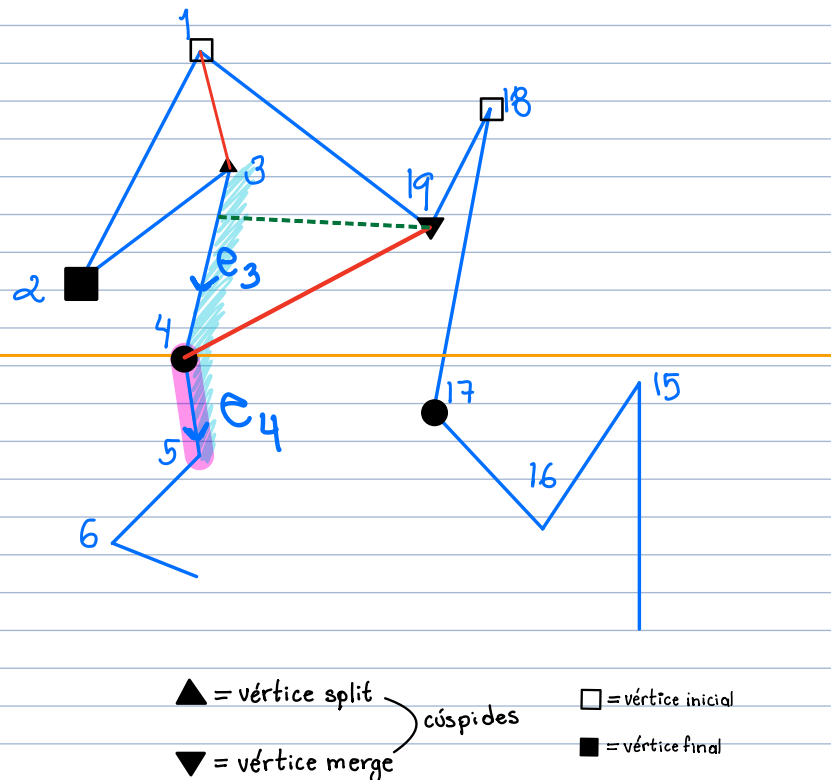
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Manejar vértices de paso

Consideremos el vértice de paso v_4 . Al llegar a dicho punto termina la arista e_3 y empieza la arista e_4 .
Desecamos reflejar esto en \mathcal{J} .
[Sabemos que $e_3 \in \mathcal{J}$ porque el interior de \mathcal{P} está a su izquierda]
Antes de borrar e_3 debemos verificar si su ayudante es de tipo merge, si es así, repararlo.

Entonces:

if the interior of \mathcal{P} lies to the right of v_i
then if $helper(e_{i-1})$ is a merge vertex
then Insert the diagonal connecting v_i to $helper(e_{i-1})$ in \mathcal{D} .
Delete e_{i-1} from \mathcal{T} .
Insert e_i in \mathcal{T} and set $helper(e_i)$ to v_i .



Por otra parte, si el interior del polígono está a la izquierda de P , entonces termina la arista e_i y empieza la arista e_{i-1} .

Ambas aristas dejan el interior de P a la derecha, con lo cual sabemos que no están en \mathcal{J} .

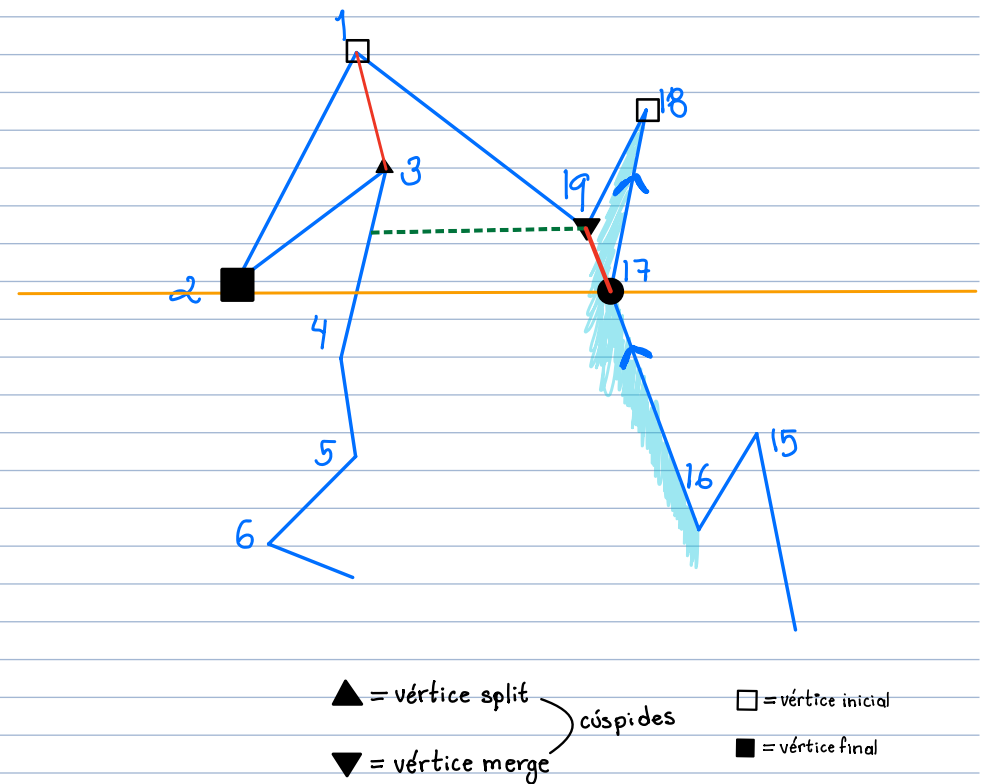
Entonces, la única actualización importante de v_i ocurriría si hay algún vértice merge que v_i deba reparar.

Notemos que por las condiciones mencionadas arriba, e_j existe en \mathcal{J} . Le preguntamos a e_j si su ayudante es tipo Merge y reparamos. Finalmente v_i es el nuevo ayudante de e_j .

Entonces:

6. **else** Search in \mathcal{T} to find the edge e_j directly left of v_i .
7. **if** $helper(e_j)$ is a merge vertex
8. **then** Insert the diagonal connecting v_i to $helper(e_j)$ in \mathcal{D} .
9. $helper(e_j) \leftarrow v_i$

Algoritmo con
indentación correcta \longrightarrow



HANDLEREGULARVERTEX(v_i)

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