

# Using orientation tests to solve basic problems on polygons

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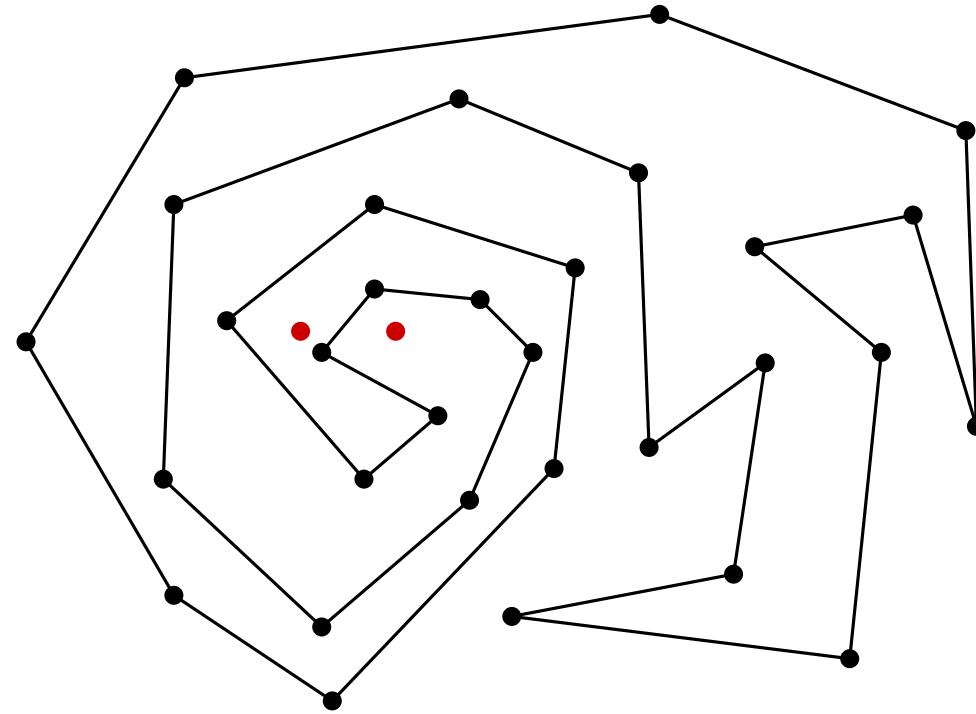
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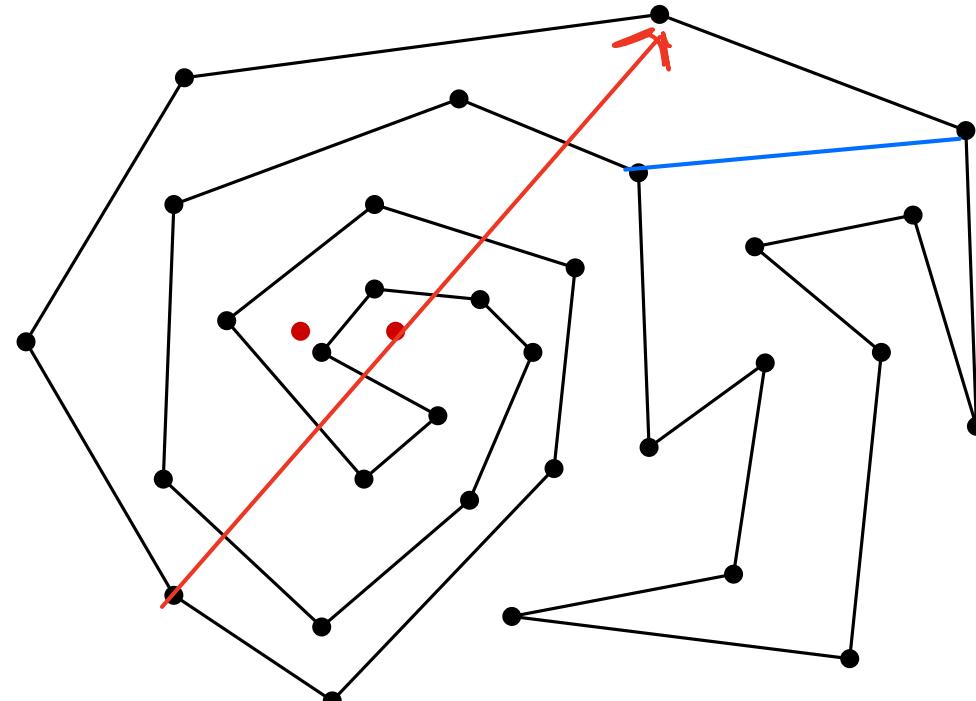
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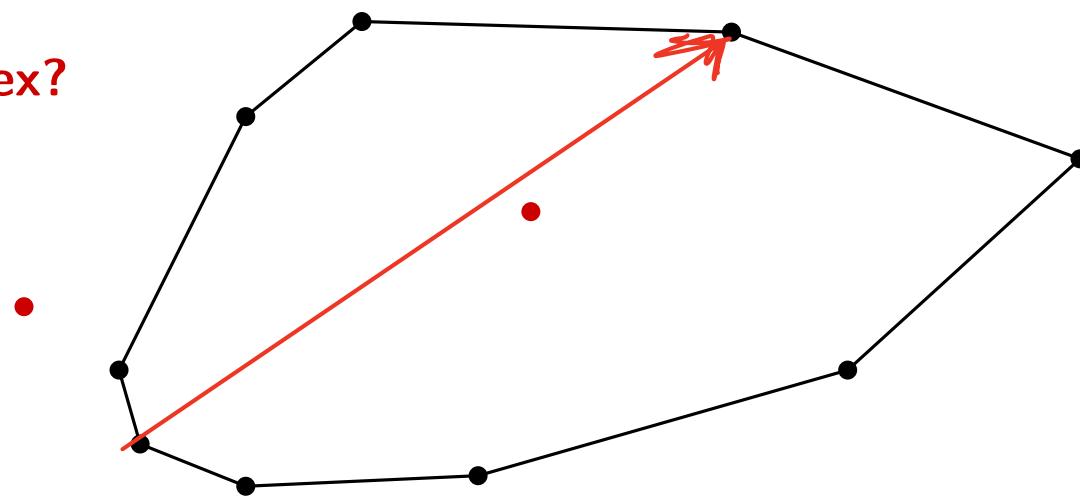
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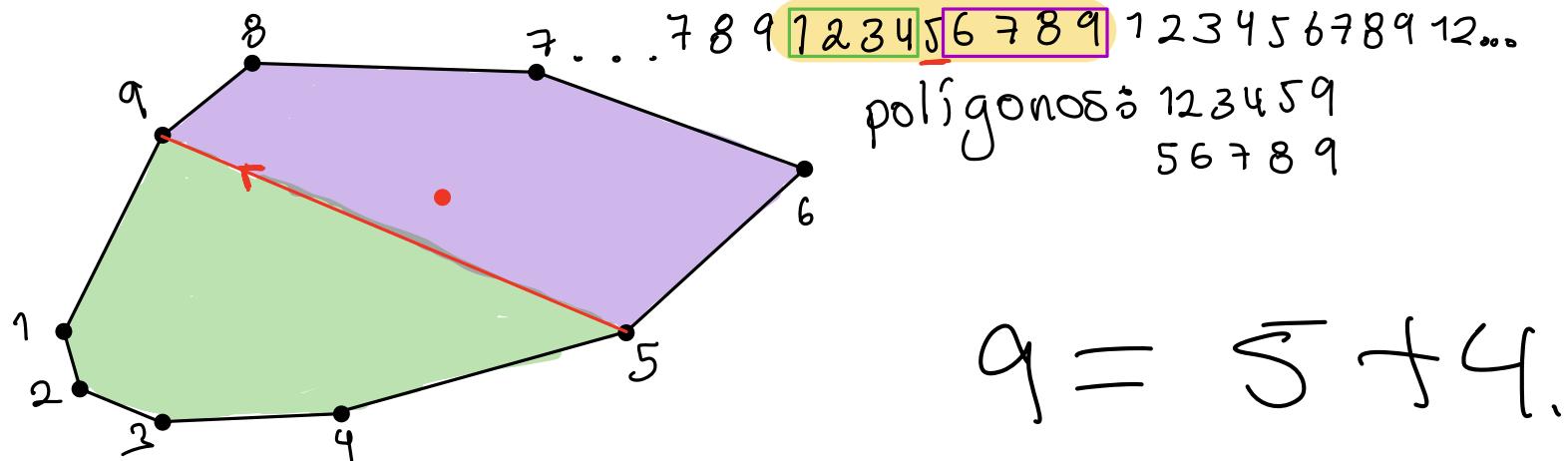
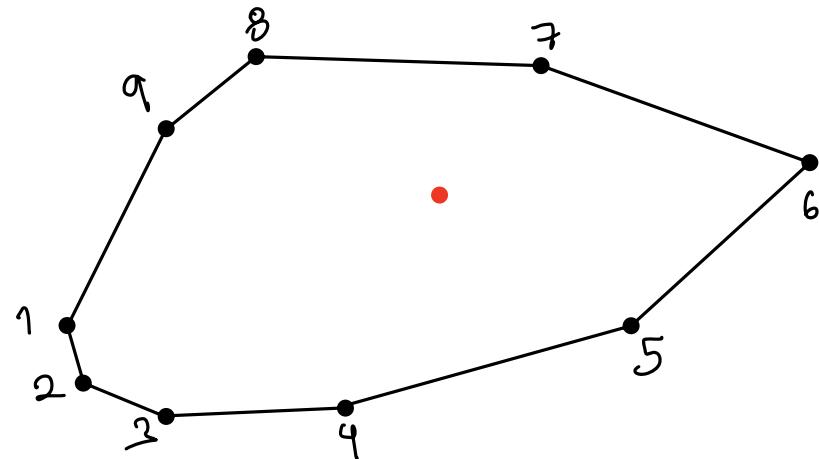


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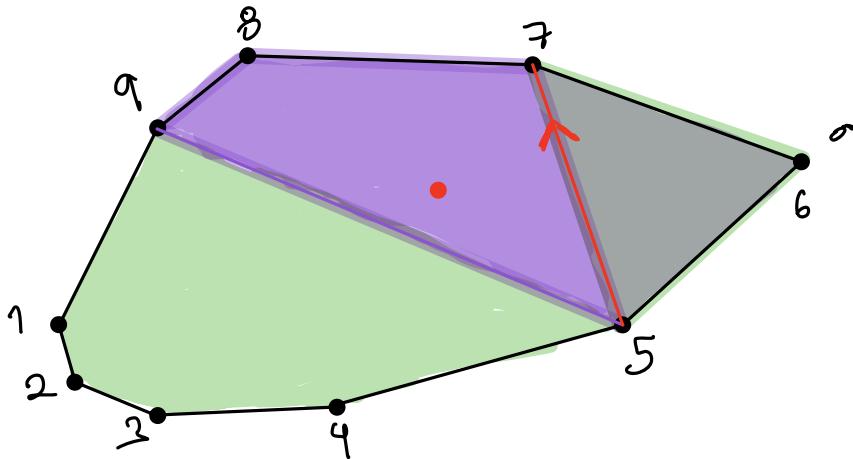


Ejemplo: BB.

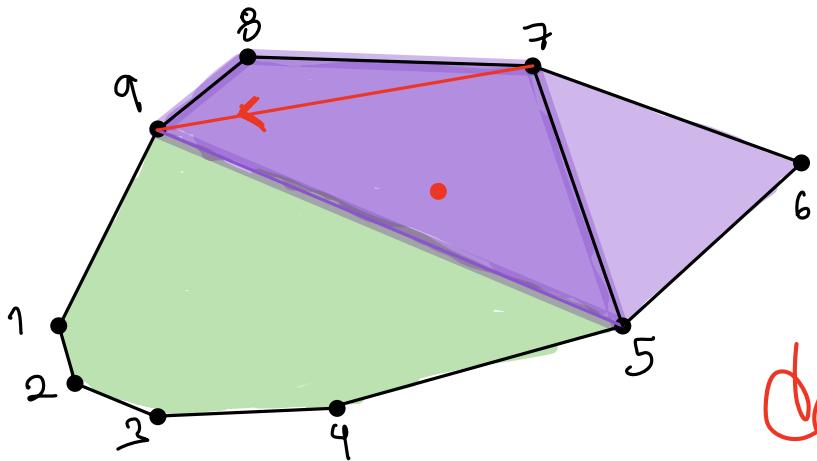
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$$q = 5 + 4.$$



... 789 [567] 895678 ...  
polígonos: 567,  
5789.



... 89 [57] 89578 ...  
polígonos: 579  
789

Caso base: polígono  
de tamaño (3) oreja

¿Cómo dividimos el polígono en  
tiempo constante?

An) pre-pro,  $O(\lg n)$ .  
Shamos:  $O(\lg n)$ .

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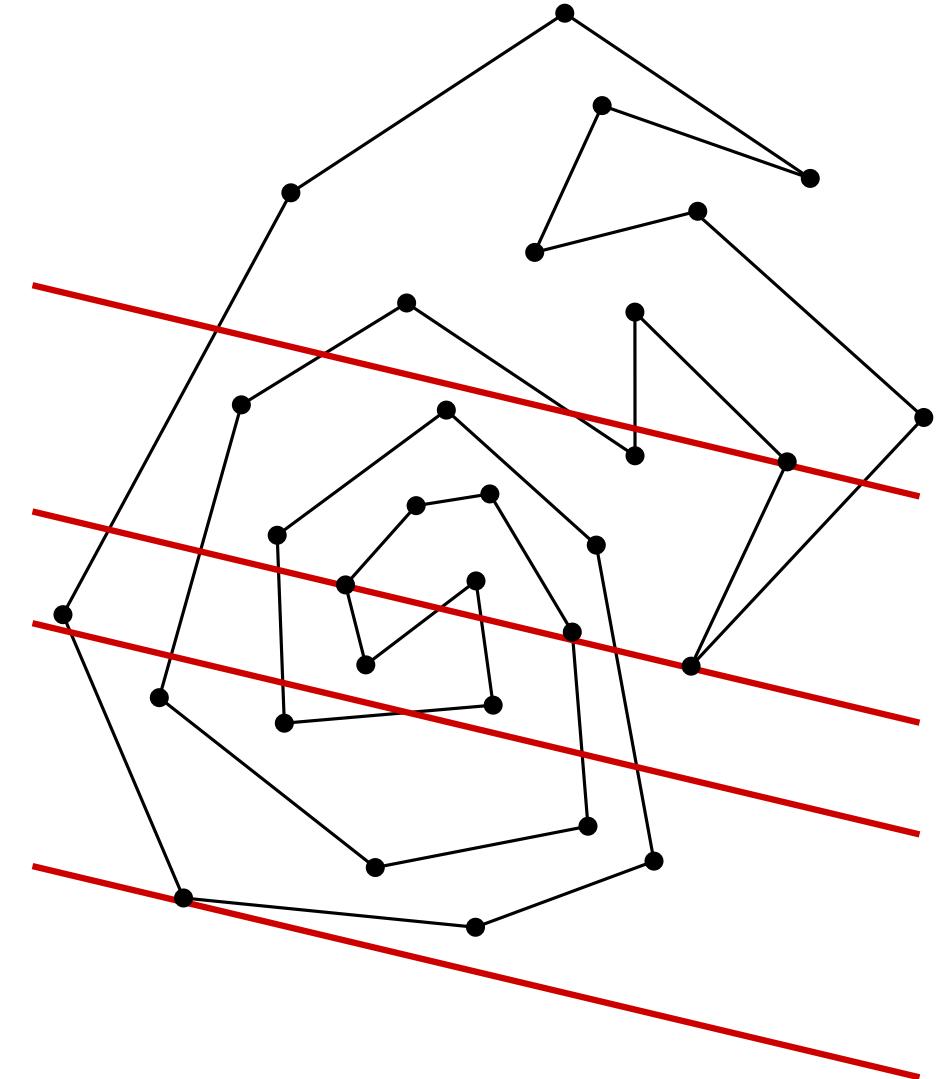
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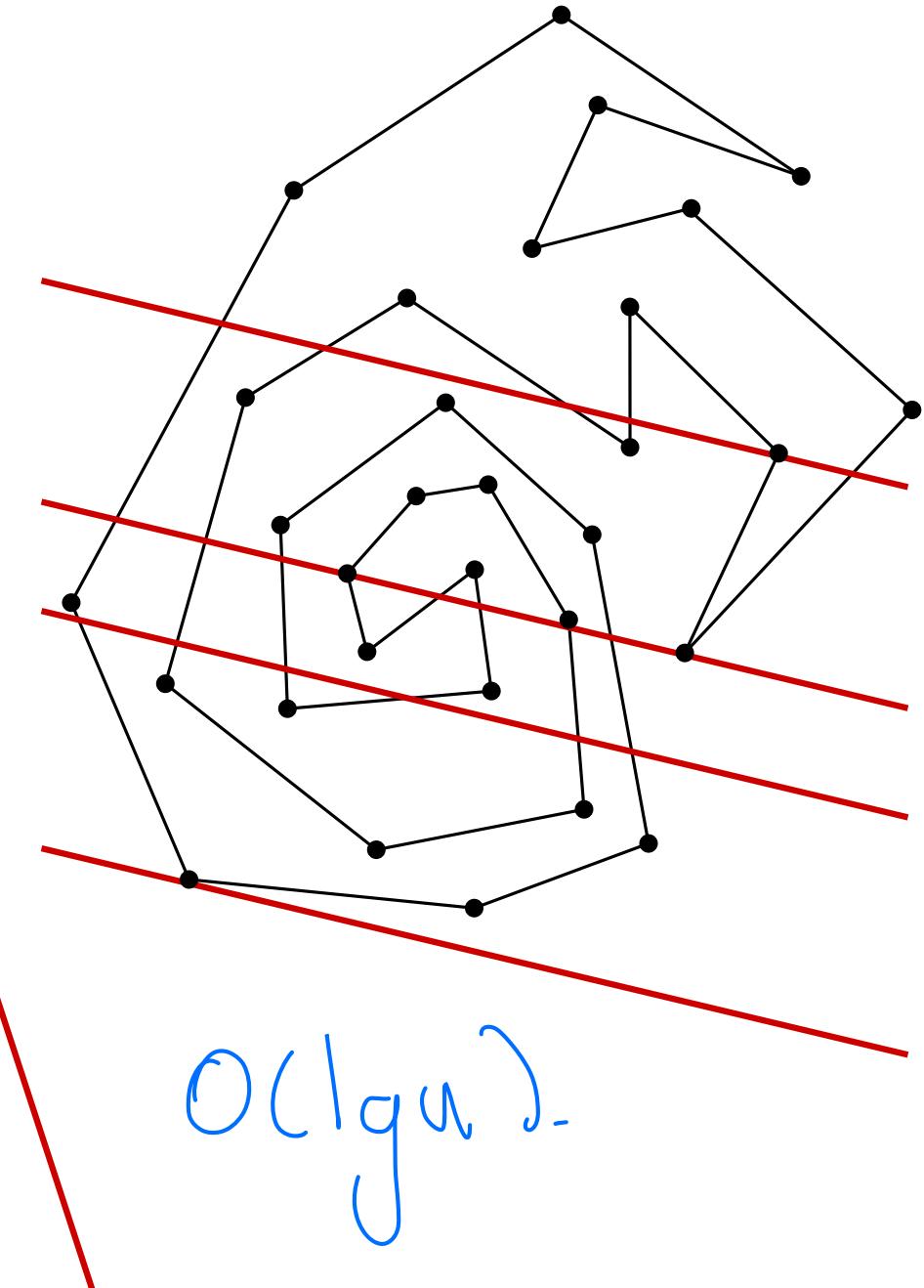
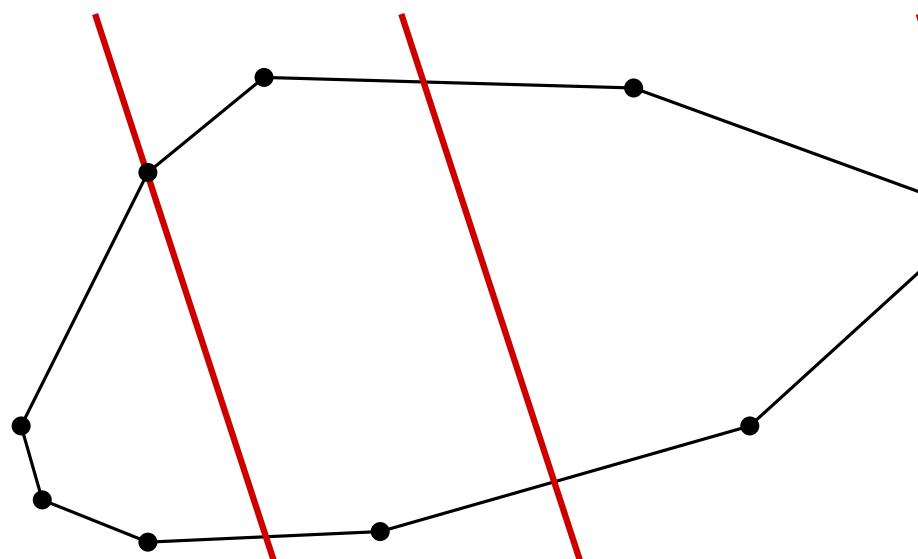
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Problema: Dado un polígono  $P$  con vértices  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  (en sentido anti-horario)

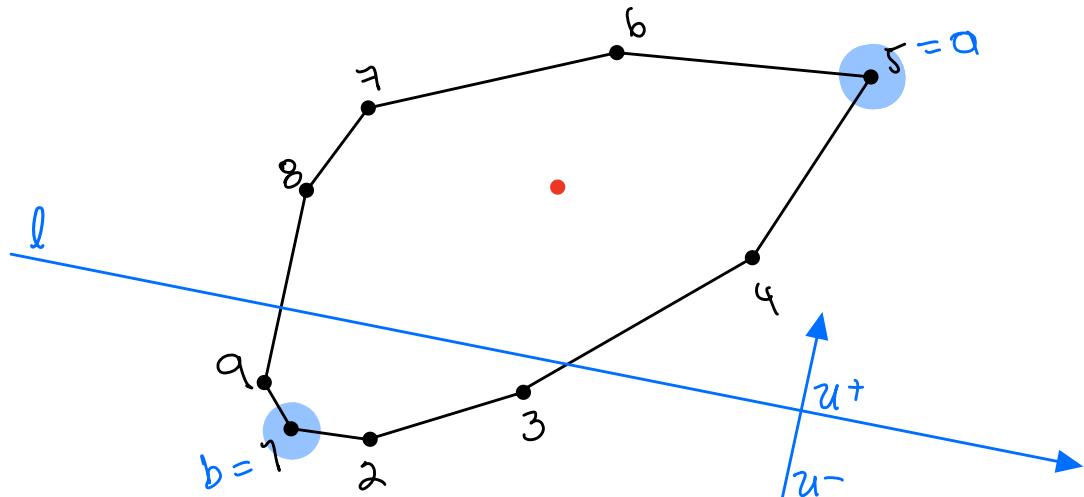
Dada una recta  $l \ni P, q.$

Determinar: Si  $P$  y  $l$  se intersectan.

Idea: 1. Encontrar los **extremos** de  $P$  en dirección  $u^+$  y  $u^-$ . Sean  $a$  y  $b$ .

2. Si  $a$  y  $b$  están del mismo lado de  $l \Rightarrow$  no hay intersección.

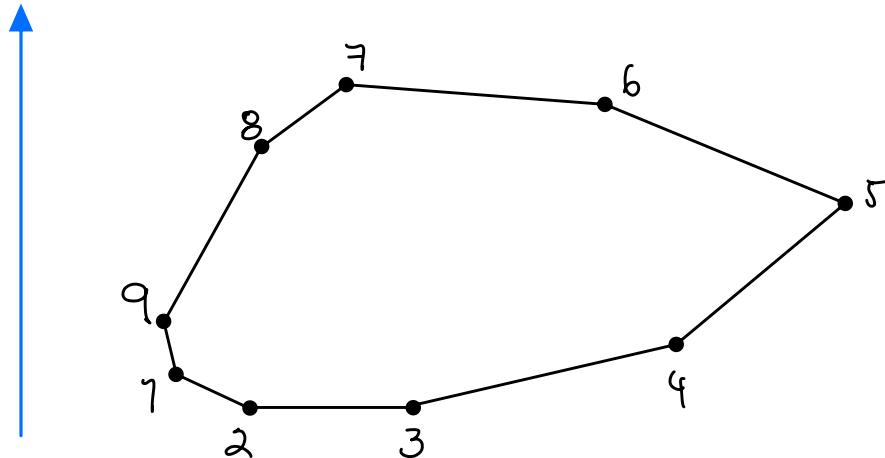
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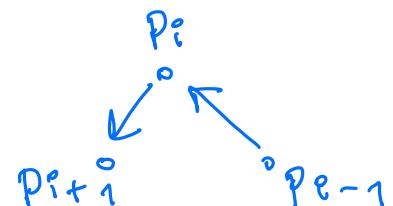
Deseamos  $O(\lg n)$ .

# ¿Cómo encontramos los extremos? (En $O(n \lg n)$ )

Vamos a resolver el problema de encontrar el vértice de  $P$  con mayor coordenada  $y$ . (Suponemos que es único.)



Idea: el vértice más alto necesariamente se ve así:



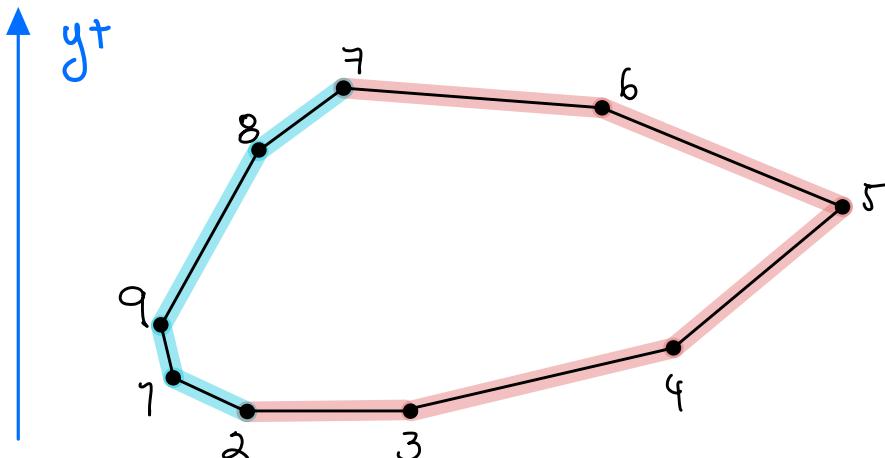
• Recorrer el polígono y descartar subcadenas islandas búsqueda binaria.

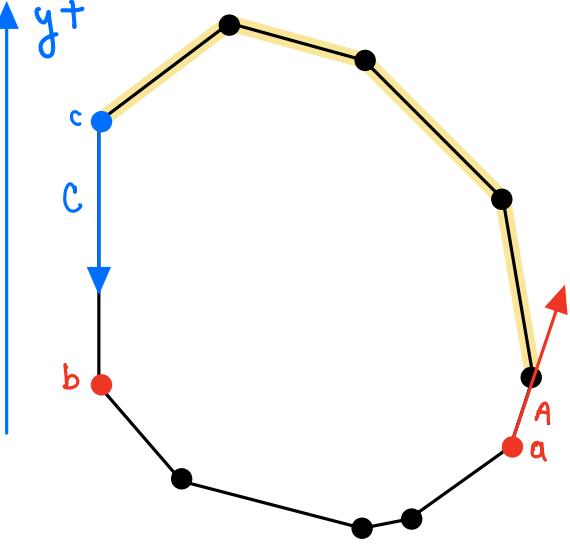
• Criterio de búsqueda:

Defino: 1. Cadena derecha = los vértices entre el punto más bajo y el punto más alto.

2. Cadena izquierda = los vértices entre el punto más alto y el punto más bajo.

Notemos:





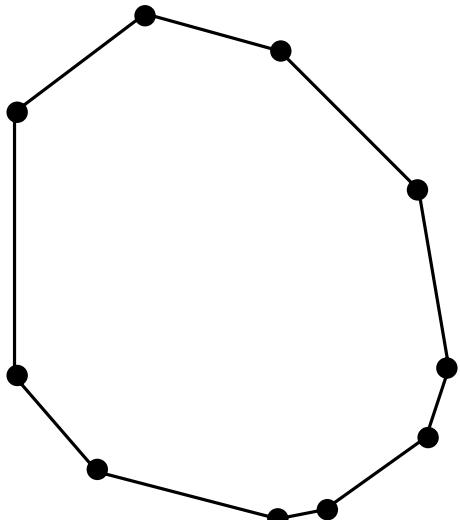
Sean  $a, b$  y  $c$  vértices del polígono, tales que  $c$  está justo ala mitad entre  $a$  y  $b$ .

Sea  $A$  y  $C$  los vectores:

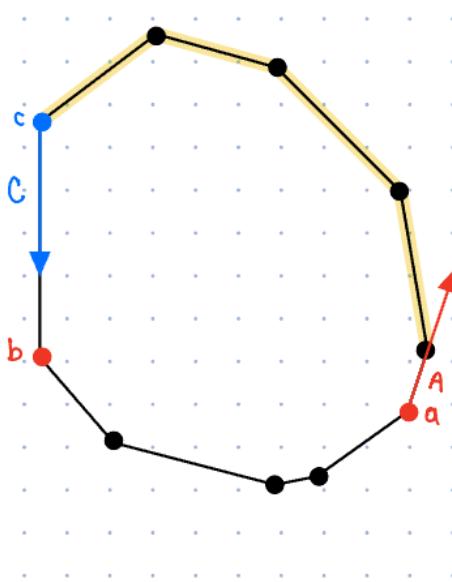
$$A = (a, a+1)$$

$$C = (c, c+1)$$

Considerando las direcciones de  $A$  y  $C$  tenemos 4 posibles casos:



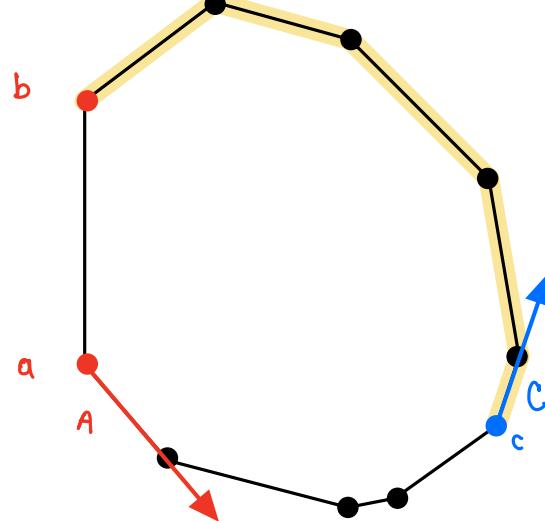
- ①  $A \uparrow, C \downarrow$  (a cadena derecha, c izquierda)
- ②  $A \downarrow, C \uparrow$  (a izquierda, c derecha)
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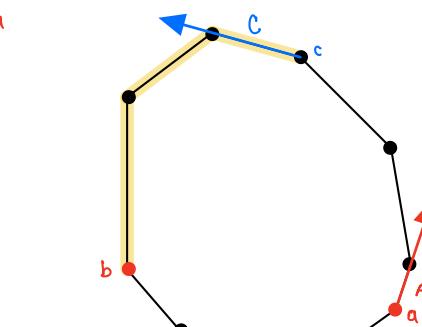
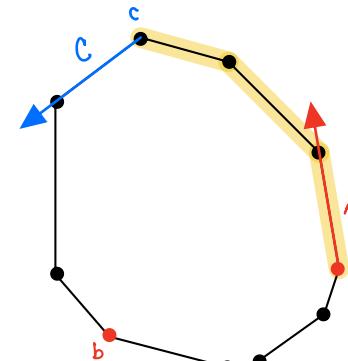
- Un vector  $(\vec{p}, \vec{q})$  apunta hacia arriba si  
 $p_y < q_y$
- apunta hacia abajo si  
 $p_y > q_y$

②  $A \downarrow, C \uparrow$  (a izquierda, c derecha)  
 $\rightarrow$  busco en  $[c, b]$



③  $A \downarrow, C \downarrow$  (izquierda)

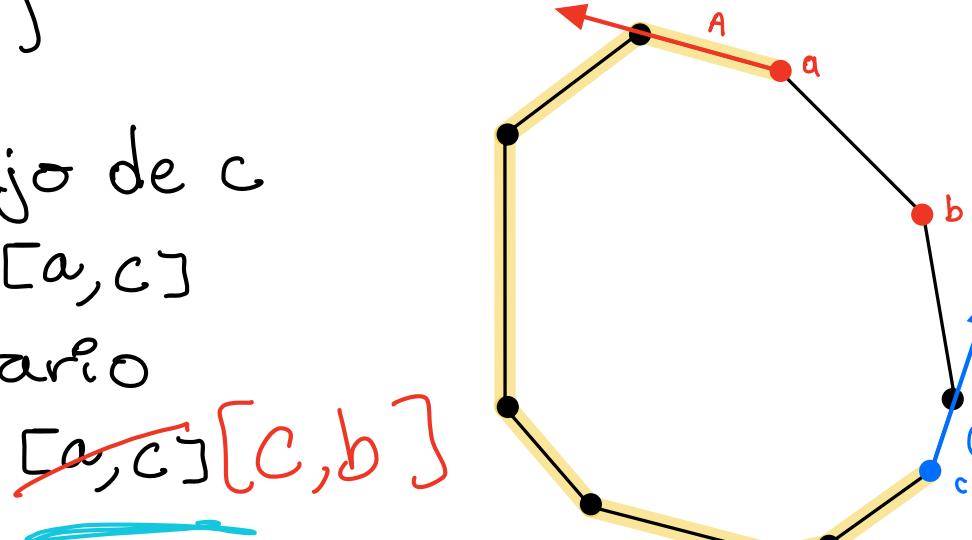
- i. Si  $a$  está encima de  $c$   
→ busco en  $[a, c]$
- ii. de lo contrario  
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Si  $a$  y  $b$   
son adyacentes  
 $\Rightarrow a = c$ .

④  $A \uparrow, C \uparrow$  (derecha)

- i. Si  $a$  está abajo de  $c$   
→ busco en  $[a, c]$
- ii. de lo contrario  
→ busco en  $\cancel{[a, c]} [c, b]$



## = cómo calcular =

```
int Midway( int a, int b, int n )
{
    if (a < b) return ( a + b ) / 2; ← piso
    else        return ( ( a + b + n ) / 2 ) % n; ← piso.
}
```

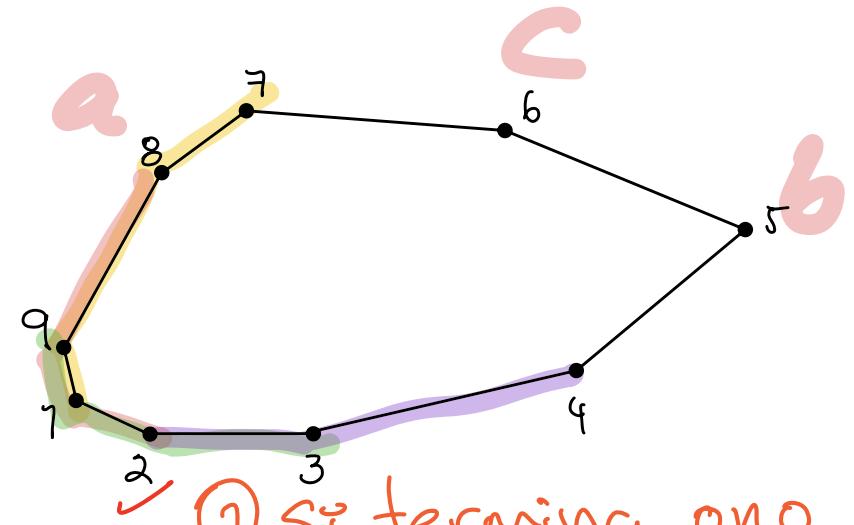
### Algorithm: HIGHEST POINT OF CONVEX POLYGON

Initialize  $a$  and  $b$ .

repeat forever

$c \leftarrow$  index midway from  $a$  to  $b$ .  $\rightarrow O(1)$   
if  $P[c]$  is locally highest then return  $c$   $\rightarrow O(1)$   
if  $A$  points up and  $C$  points down  $\rightarrow O(n)$   
    then  $[a, b] \leftarrow [a, c] \rightarrow O(1)$   
else if  $A$  points down and  $C$  points up  
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Ejemplo :



¿ Cuál es su complejidad ?

① Si termina onto  
② Cuántas veces se repite ?

Si deseas encontrar los extremos en dirección  $u$ , reemplazamos el test sobre un vector  $V$  por:

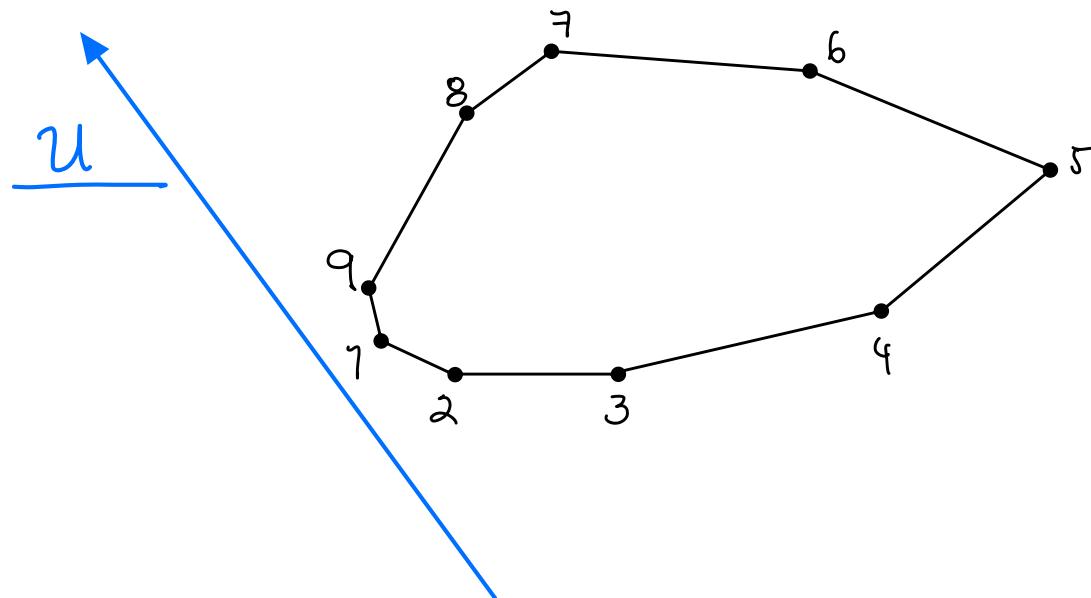
$V$  apunta hacia abajo  $\rightarrow u \cdot V < 0$

$V$  apunta hacia arriba  $\rightarrow u \cdot V > 0$

a arriba de  $c \rightarrow u \cdot (a - c) > 0$

de otra forma  $\rightarrow u \cdot (a - c) \leq 0$

etc...



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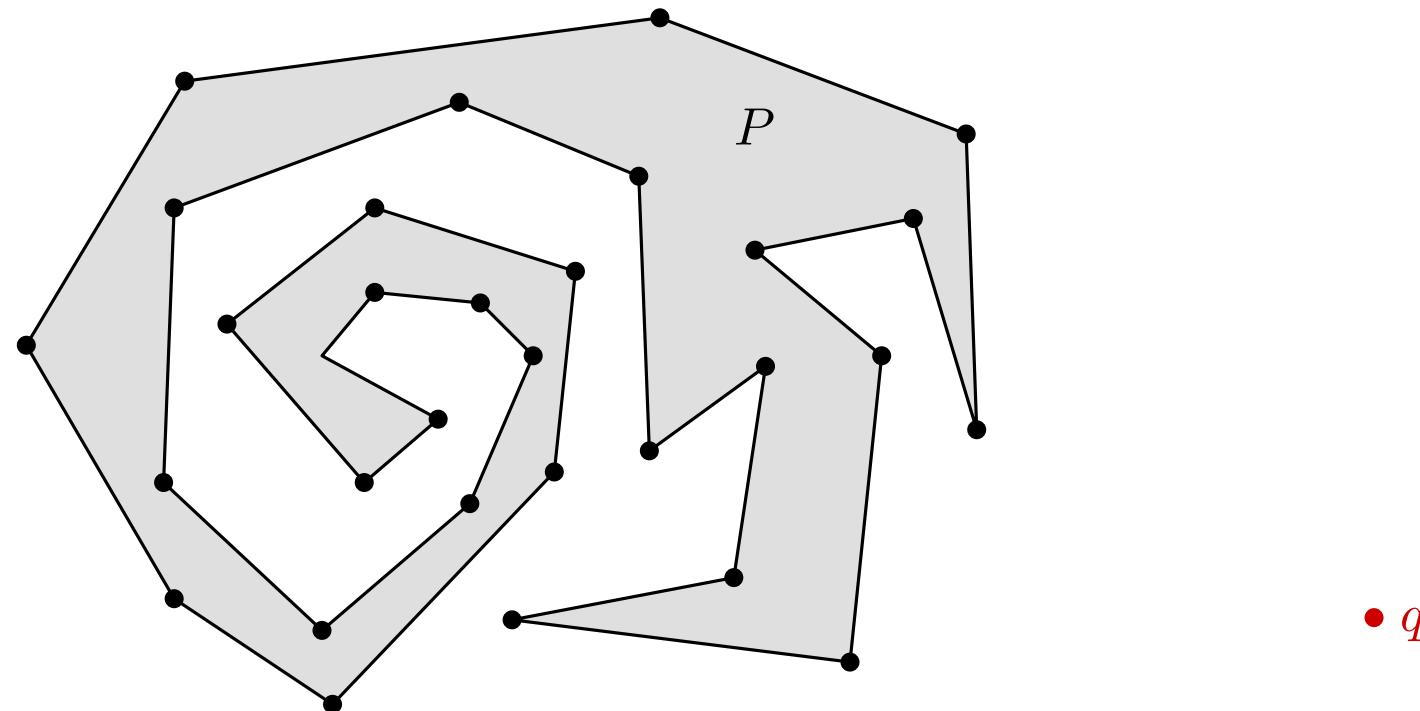
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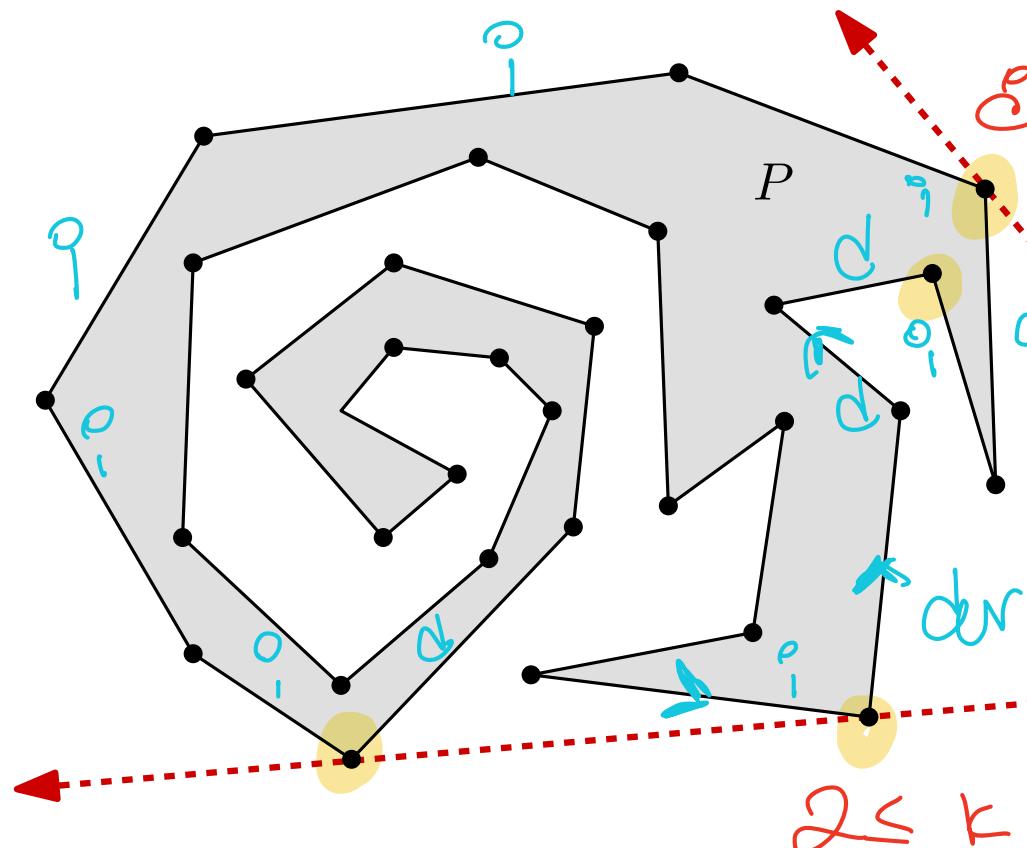
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Algoritmo:

- ① Busco los pts candidatos  
→  $\mathcal{E}$  cuántos candidatos  
     $\nwarrow$  hay un cambio de dirección.
- ② Para cada candidato reviso si es un punto de tangencia o no.  
 $\rightarrow$   $O(kn)$ .

$$2 \leq k \leq n$$

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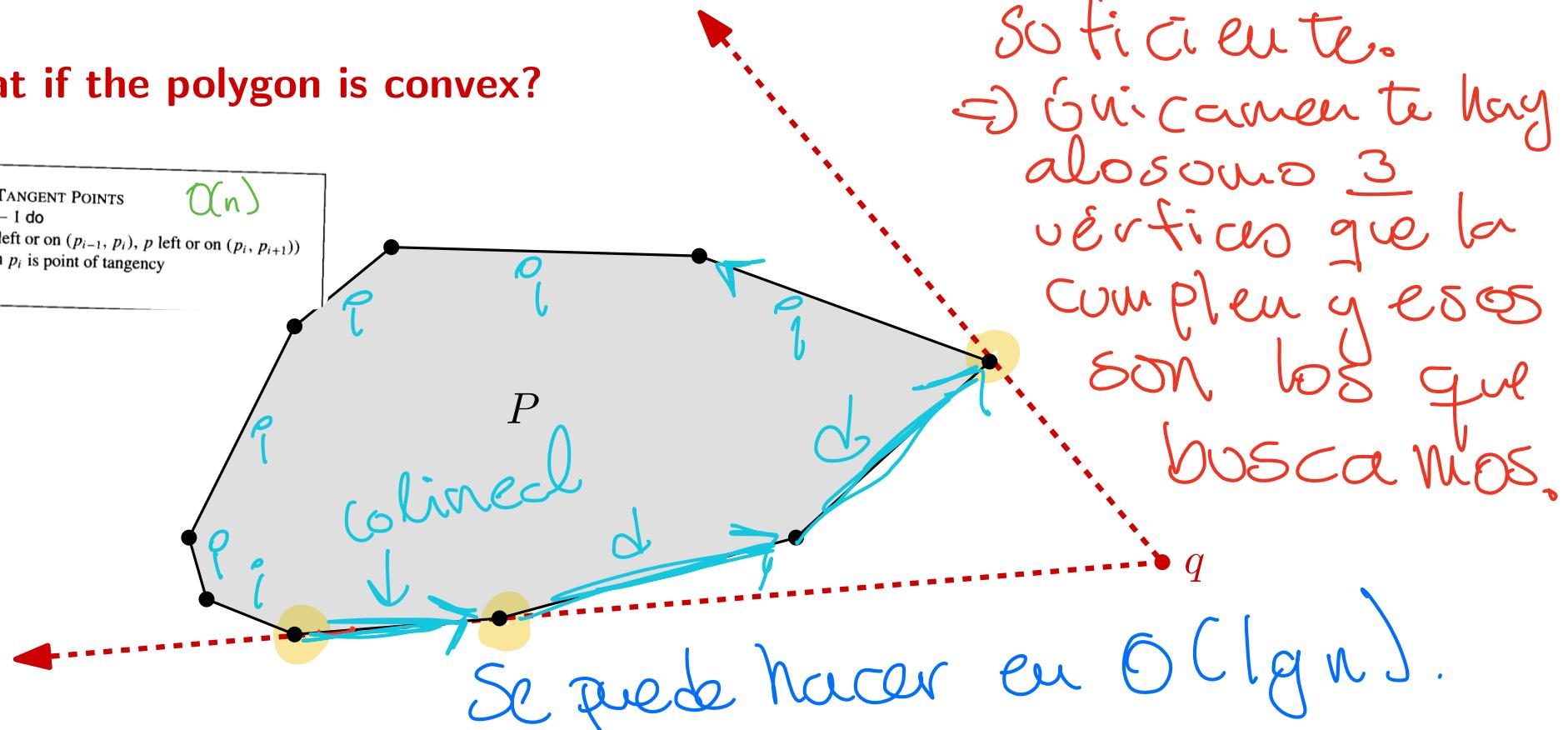
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Algorithm: TANGENT POINTS  
for i = 0 to n - 1 do  
    if Xor (p left or on ( $p_{i-1}, p_i$ ), p left or on ( $p_i, p_{i+1}$ ))  
        then  $p_i$  is point of tangency
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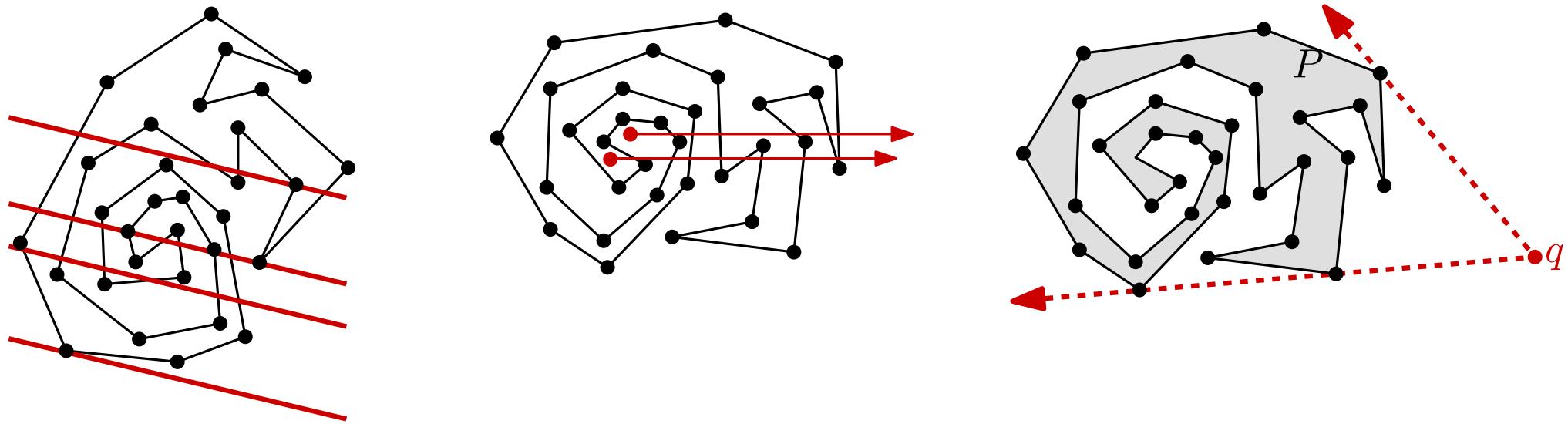


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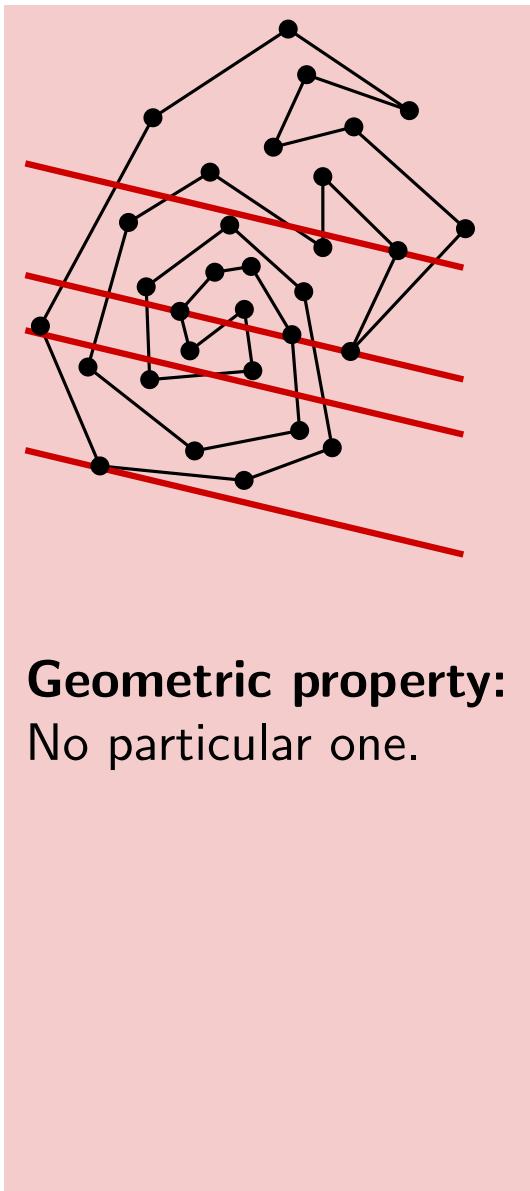
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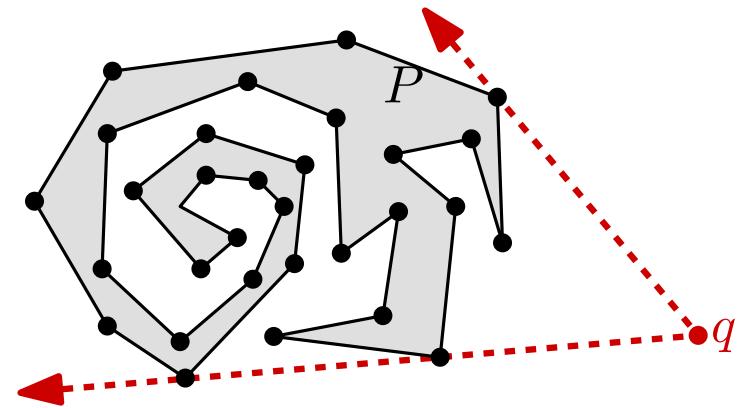
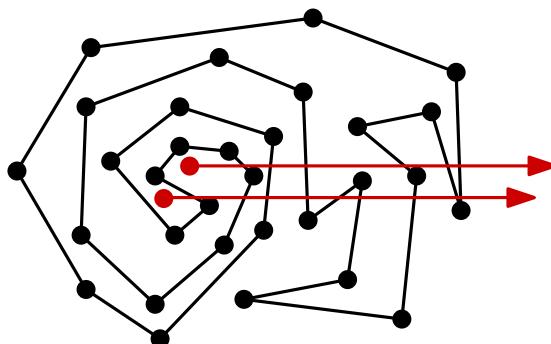


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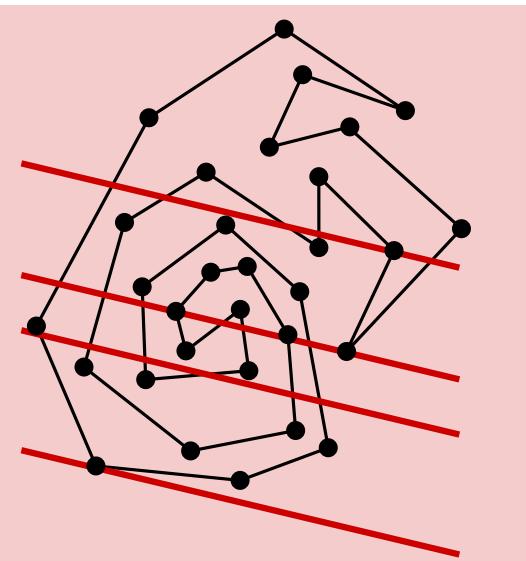


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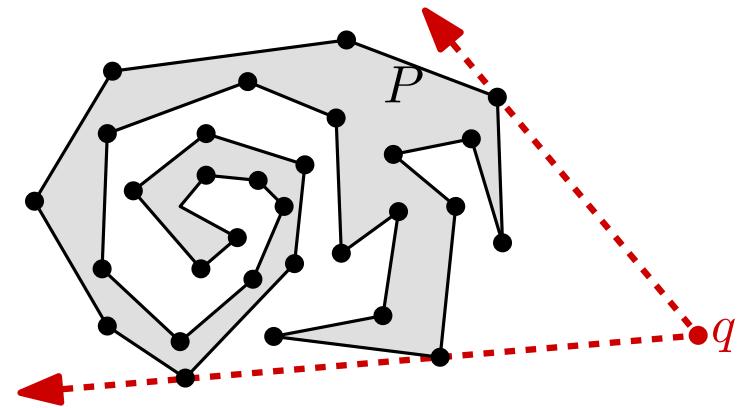
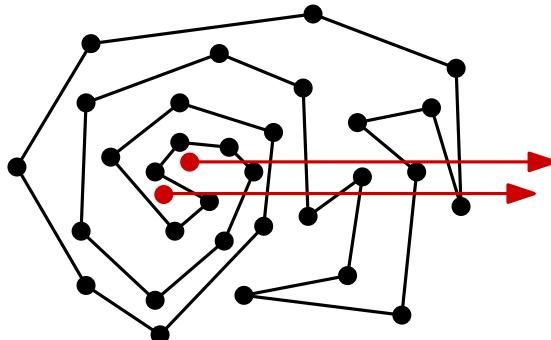
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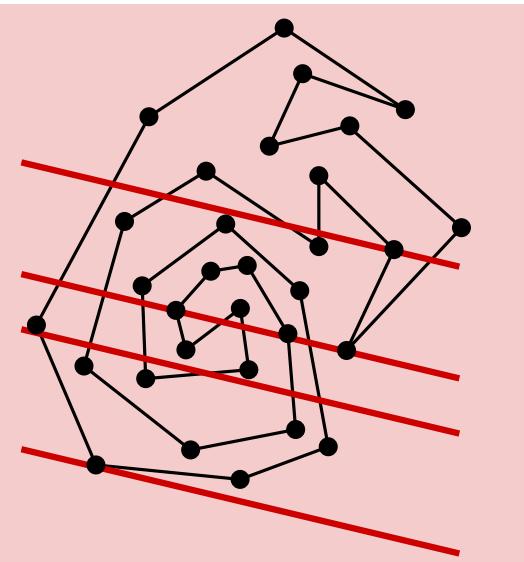
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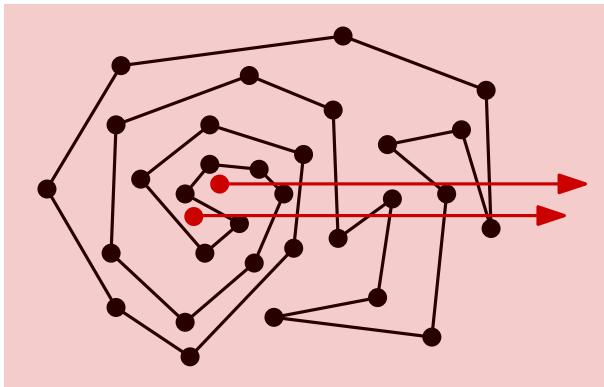
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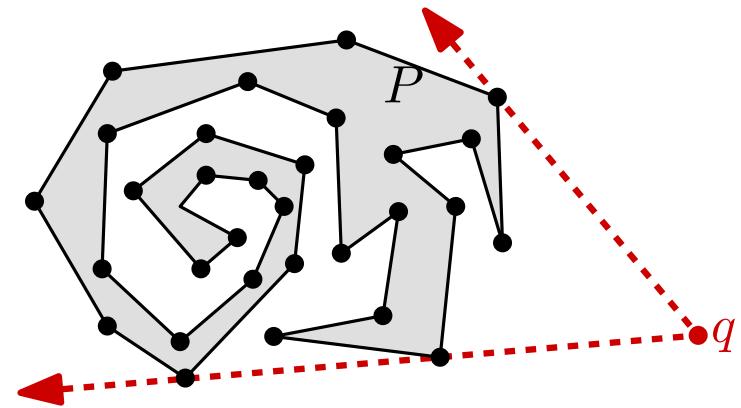
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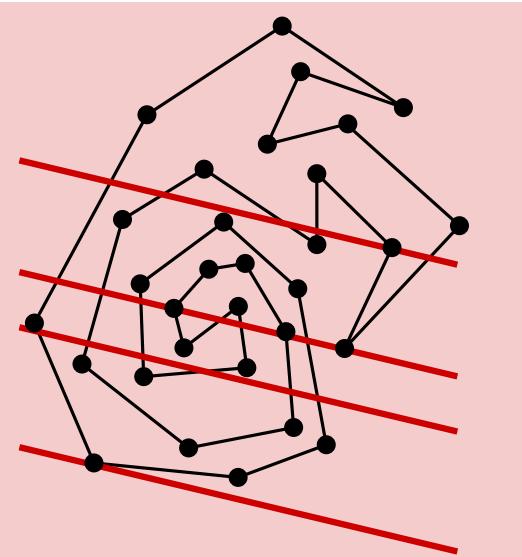


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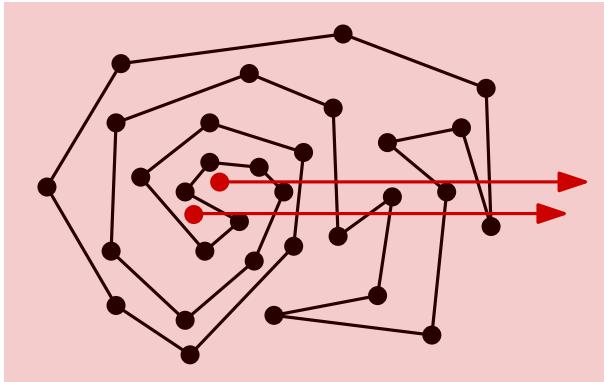


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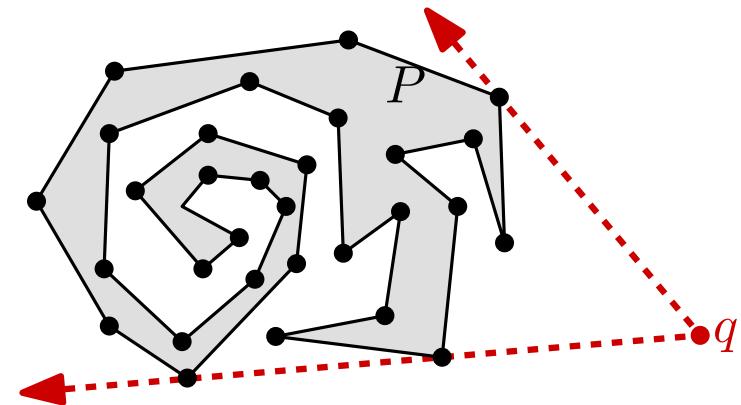


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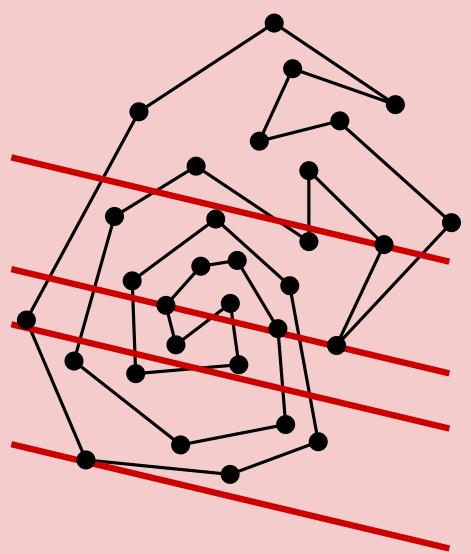
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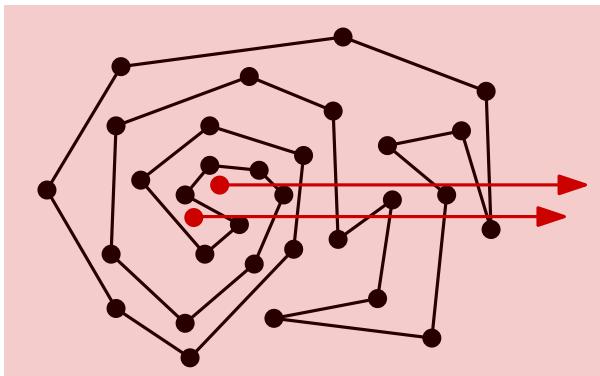


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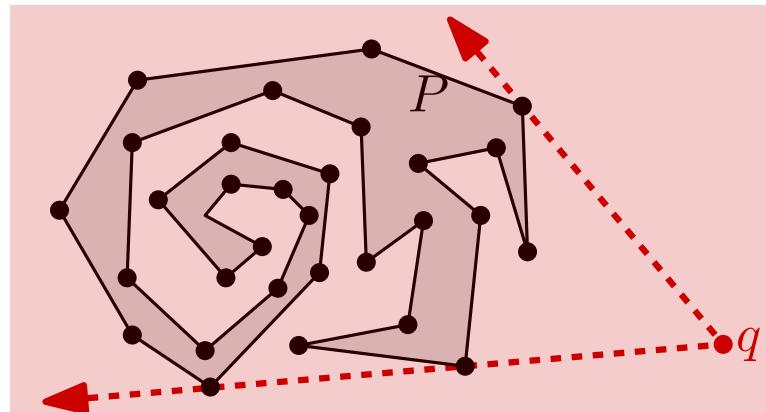


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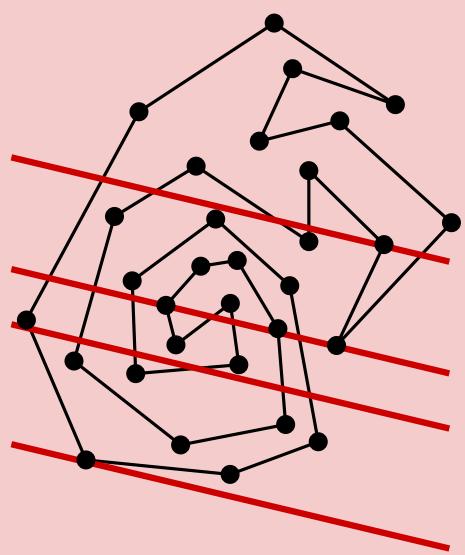
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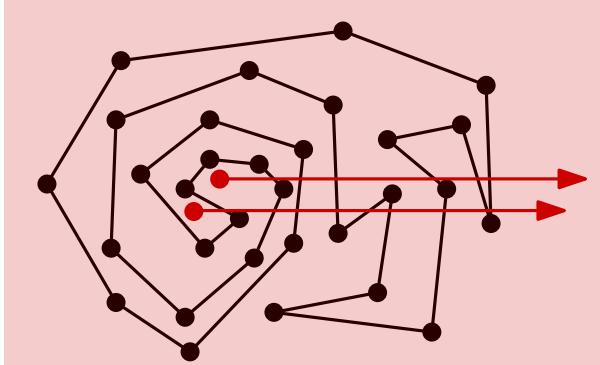


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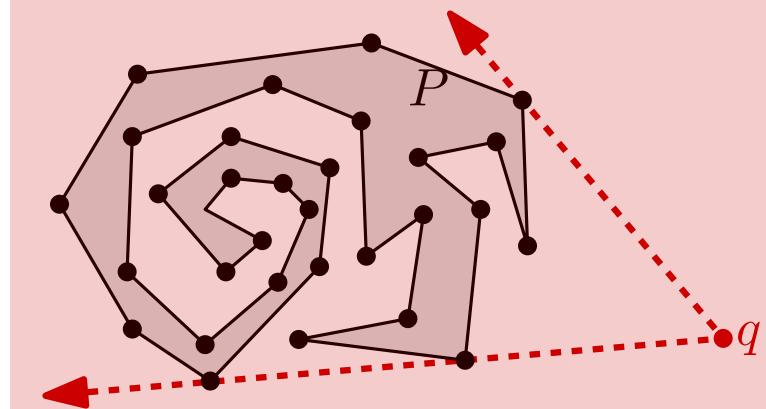


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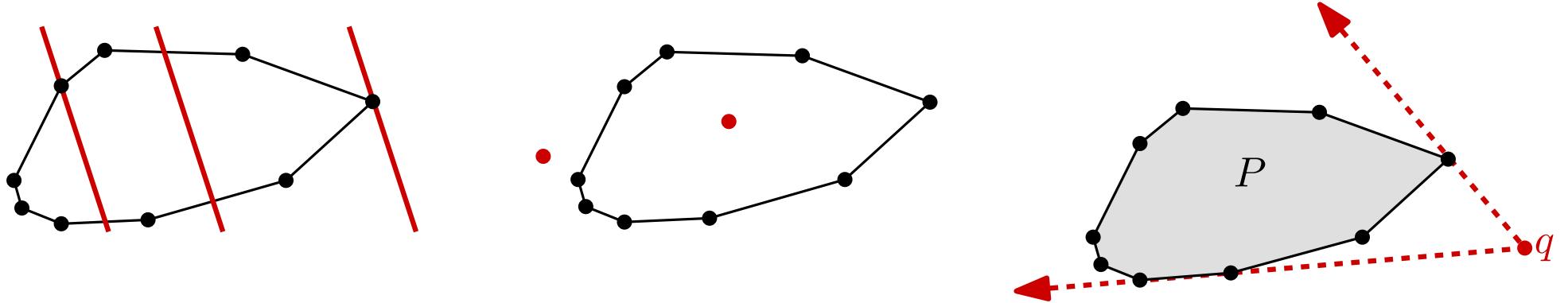


Use a max/min algorithm

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 $O(n)$  space

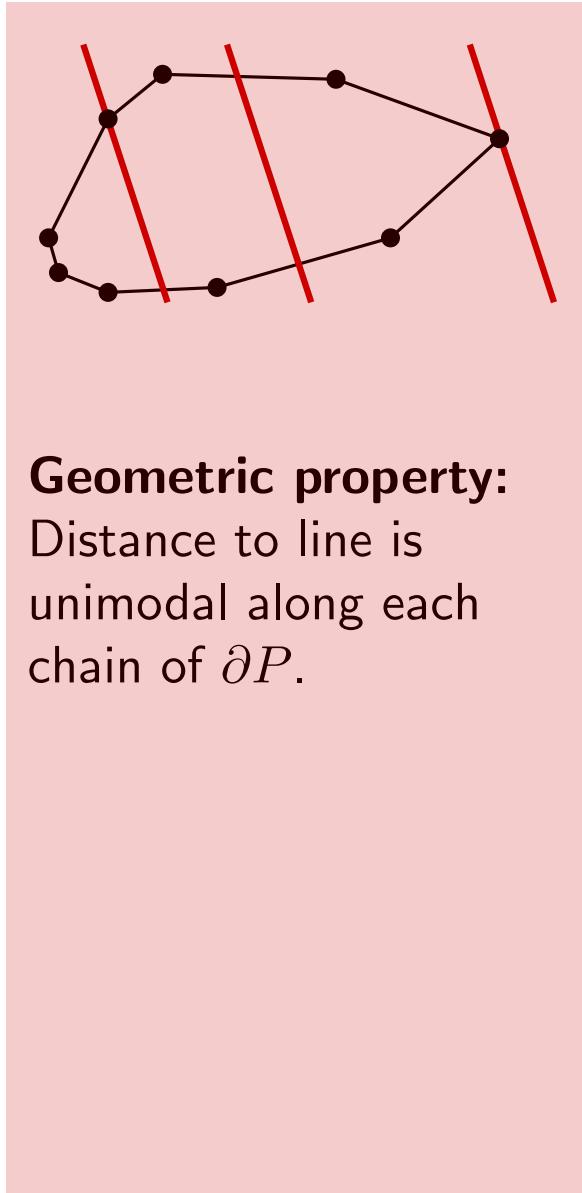
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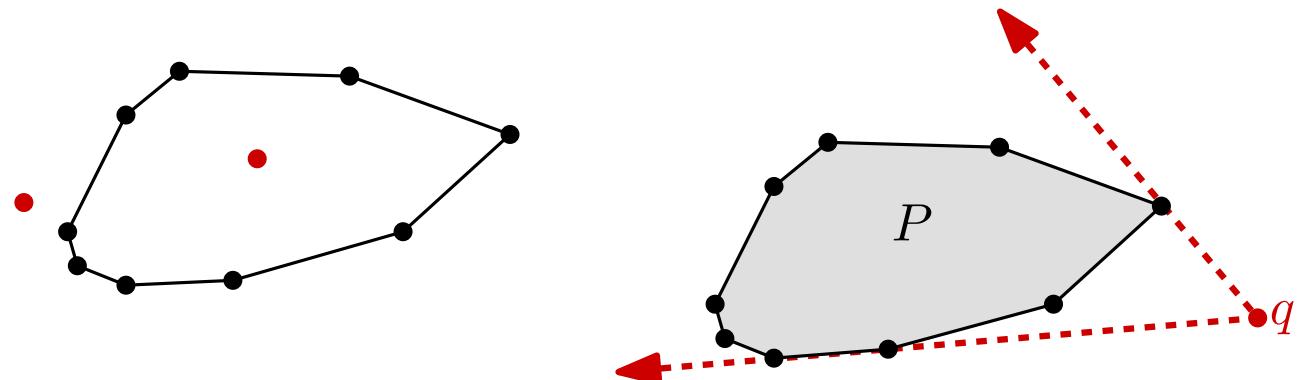


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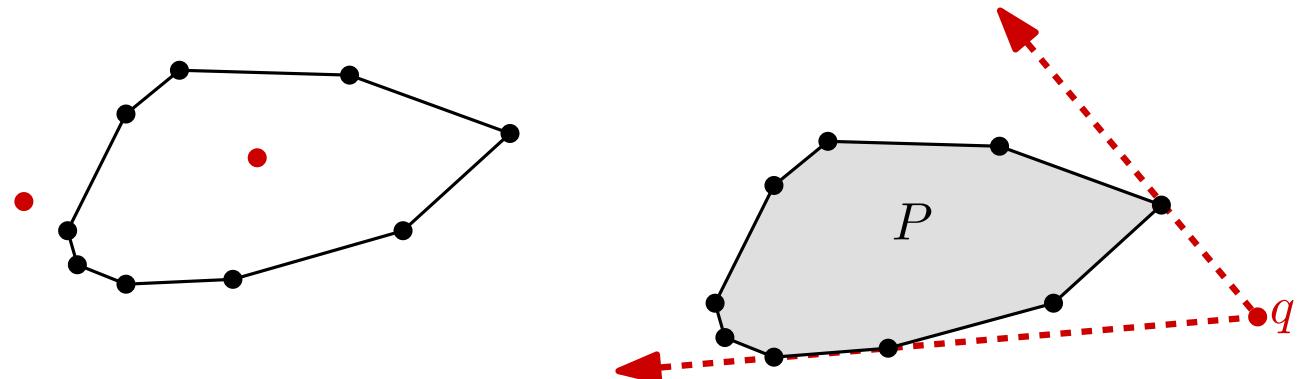
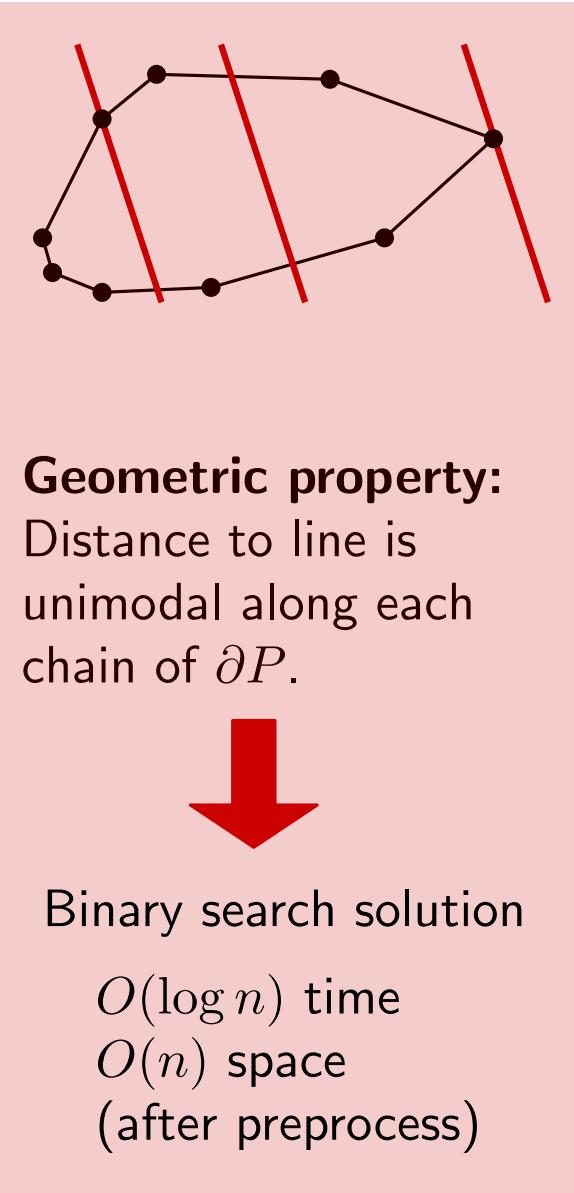


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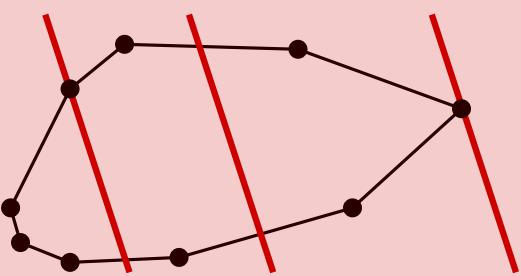
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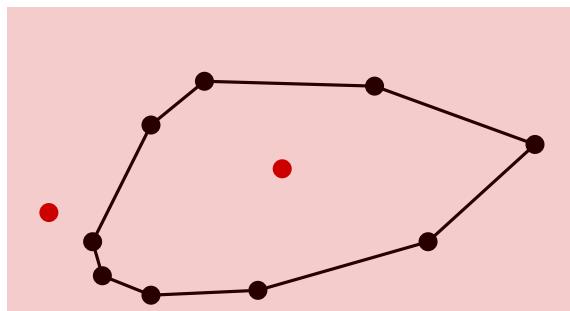


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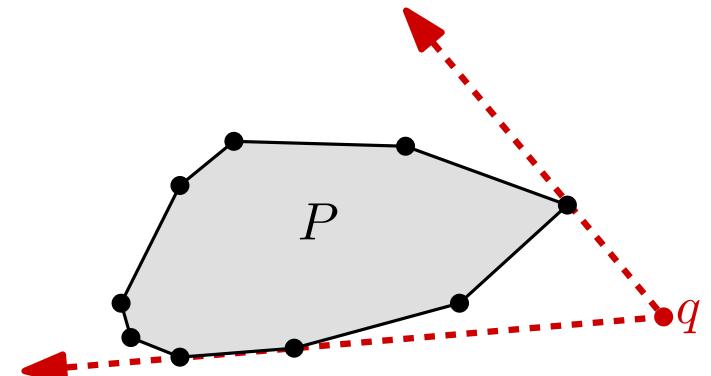


Binary search solution

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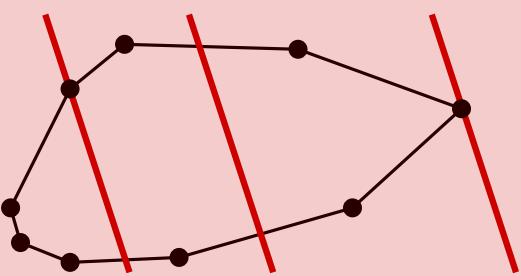


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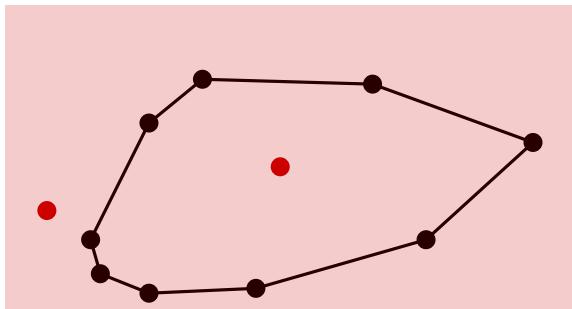


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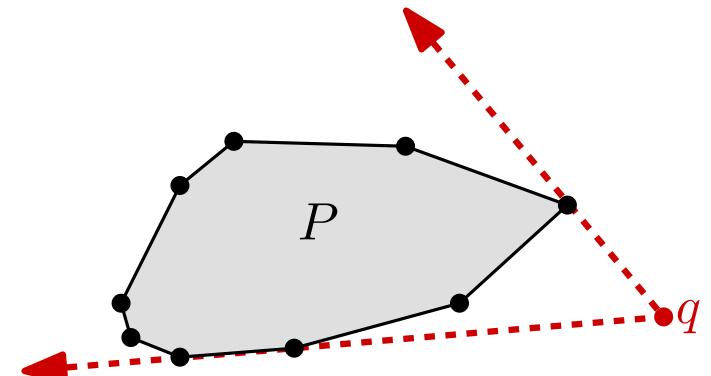


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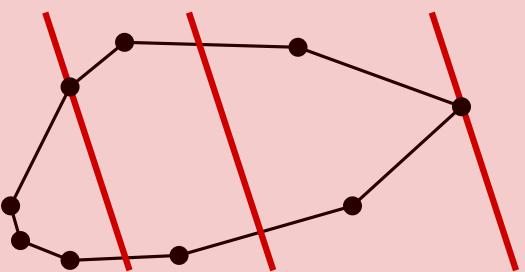
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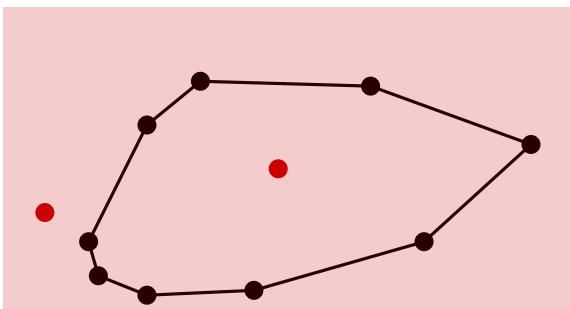


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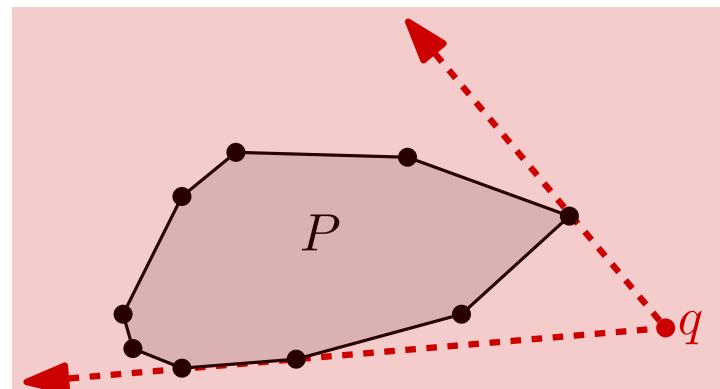


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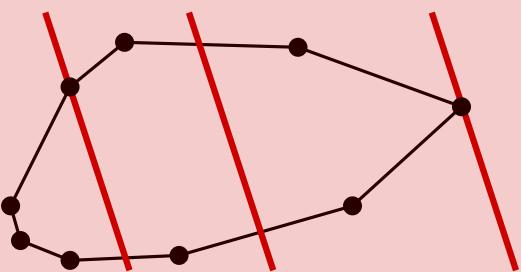
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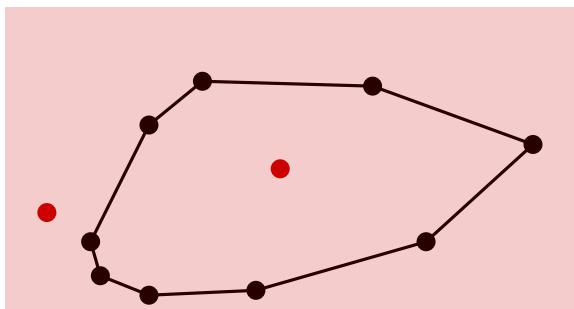


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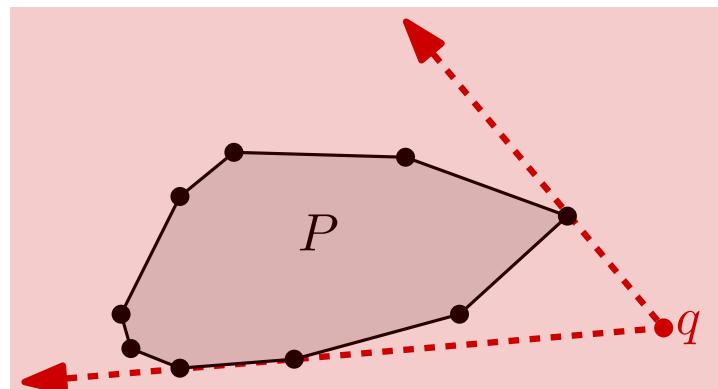


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