# Interpolation via Barycentric Coordinates

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### BARYCENTER

# Barycenter

• Law of lever:  $w_1 l_1 = w_2 l_2$ 



 $l_1 = p - v_1$  $l_2 = v_2 - p$ 

## **Barycentric coordinates**

$$w_1(v_1-p) + w_2(v_2-p) = 0$$

$$w_1v_1 + w_2v_2 = Wp$$
  
$$b_1v_1 + b_2v_2 = p$$
  
$$w_1 + w_2$$

# **Opposite problem?**



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## CONVEXITY

#### Convexity

A set S is *convex* if any pair of points  $p,q \in S$  satisfy  $pq \subseteq S$ .



### Convex Hull

#### • The convex hull of a set S is:

- The minimal convex set that contains S, i.e. any convex set C such that S ⊆ C satisfies CH(S) ⊆ C.
- The intersection of all convex sets that contain S.
- The set of all convex combinations of p<sub>i</sub>∈S, i.e. all points of the form:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i p_i , \qquad \alpha_i \ge 0, \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i = 1$$





### **Convex Hulls**

•The convex hull of a set is unique, up to collinearities.

• The boundary of the convex hull of a point set is a polygon on a subset of the points.



# BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES FOR SIMPLICES

#### Triangle barycentric coordinates





**Properties:** Constant precision:  $b_1 + b_2 + b_3 = 1$ Linear precision:  $b_1v_1 + b_2v_2 + b_3v_3 = v$ The Lagrange property:  $b_i(v_j) = \delta_{ij}$ Non-negativity:  $b_i \ge 0$  for i = 1, 2, 3Linearity along edges:  $b_i = av + b$  for  $v \in \partial T$ Smoothness:  $b_i \in C^k, \ k > 0$ Closed-form:  $b_i$  are expressed in analytic form

#### Triangle barycentric coordinates



## **Barycentric Coordinates for Simplices**



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d+1 $b_i(\mathbf{p})\mathbf{v}_i$ 

# BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES FOR POINT SETS

## Point Set





# **Barycentric Coordinates?**



# Inverse Distance [Shepard]

$$u(\mathbf{x}) = egin{cases} \displaystyle \sum_{i=1}^N w_i(\mathbf{x}) u_i \ \displaystyle \sum_{i=1}^N w_i(\mathbf{x}) \ \displaystyle \sum_{i=1}^N w_i(\mathbf{x}) \ u_i, & ext{if } d(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}_i) = 0 ext{ for all } i \end{cases}$$

$$w_i(\mathbf{x}) = rac{1}{d(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}_i)^p}$$

## Natural Neighbor Coordinates [Sibson]



Let  $\mathcal{E} = {\mathbf{p_1}, \dots, \mathbf{p_n}}$  be a set of points (so-called sites) in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . We associate to each site  $\mathbf{p_i}$  its Voronoi region  $V(\mathbf{p_i})$  such that:

$$V(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}) = \{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{d} : \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}\| \le \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{j}}\|, \forall j \le n \}.$$



- The collection of the non-empty Voronoi regions and their faces, together with their incidence relations, constitute a cell complex called the **Voronoi diagram** of E.
- The locus of points which are equidistant to two sites pi and pj is called a **bisector**, all bisectors being affine subspaces of IR<sup>d</sup> (lines in 2D).





• A Voronoi cell of a site *pi* defined as the intersection of closed half-spaces bounded by bisectors. Implies: All Voronoi cells are **convex**.





• Voronoi cells may be **unbounded** with unbounded bisectors. Happens when a site pi is on the boundary of the convex hull of E.





- Voronoi cells have faces of different dimensions.
- In 2D, a face of dimension k is the intersection of 3 k Voronoi cells. A
  Voronoi vertex is generically equidistant from three points, and a Voronoi edge is equidistant from two points.



• Dual structure of the Voronoi diagram.

•The Delaunay triangulation of a set of sites E is a simplicial complex such that k+1 points in E form a Delaunay simplex if their Voronoi cells have nonempty intersection





• The Delaunay triangulation of a point set E covers the convex hull of E.





canonical triangulation associated to any point set





#### **Delaunay Triangulation: Local Property**

•Empty circle: A triangulation T of a point set E such that any d-simplex of T has a circumsphere that does not enclose any point of E is a Delaunay triangulation of E. Conversely, any k-simplex with vertices in E that can be circumscribed by a hypersphere that does not enclose any point of E is a face of the Delaunay triangulation of E.





#### An naïve $O(n^4)$ Construction Algorithm

#### Repeat until impossible:

- Select a triple of sites.
- If the circle through them is empty of other sites, keep the triangle whose vertices are the triple.

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### Naive Algorithm?

- Input: point set
- •Output: Delaunay triangles



#### In 2D: « quality » triangulation

- Smallest triangle angle: The Delaunay triangulation of a point set E is the triangulation of E which **maximizes the smallest angle**.
- Even stronger: The triangulation of E whose **angular vector** is **maximal** for the lexicographic order is the Delaunay triangulation of E.



•Thales' Theorem: Let C be a circle, and l a line intersecting C at points a and b. Let p, q, r and s be points lying on the same side of l, where p and q are on C, r inside C and s outside C. Then:



 $\angle arb = 2 \angle apb$ 

 $\angle aqb > \angle asb$ 

### Edge Flipping Algorithm

#### Improving a triangulation:

•In any convex quadrangle, an *edge flip* is possible. If this flip *improves* the triangulation locally, it also improves the global triangulation.

• If an edge flip improves the triangulation, the first edge is called **illegal**.
### **Delaunay Triangulation**

Illegal edges:

•Lemma: An edge *pq* is illegal iff one of its opposite vertices is inside the circle defined by the other three vertices.

• Proof: By Thales' theorem.



•Theorem: A Delaunay triangulation does not contain illegal edges.

•Corollary: A triangle is Delaunay iff the circle through its vertices is empty of other sites (the *empty-circle* condition).

•Corollary: The Delaunay triangulation is not unique if more than three sites are co-circular.

### Locate & Star-hole





**Theorem:** If *a*,*b*,*c*,*d* form a CCW convex polygon, then *d* lies in the circle determined by *a*, *b* and *c* iff:

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} a_x & a_y & a_x^2 + a_y^2 & 1 \\ b_x & b_y & b_x^2 + b_y^2 & 1 \\ c_x & c_y & c_x^2 + c_y^2 & 1 \\ d_x & d_y & d_x^2 + d_y^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} > 0$$

**Proof:** We prove that equality holds if the points are co-circular. There exists a center *q* and radius *r* such that:

$$(a_x - q_x)^2 + (a_y - q_y)^2 = r^2$$

and similarly for *b*, *c*, *d*:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_x^2 + a_y^2 \\ b_x^2 + b_y^2 \\ c_x^2 + c_y^2 \\ d_x^2 + d_y^2 \end{pmatrix} - 2q_x \begin{pmatrix} a_x \\ b_x \\ c_x \\ d_x \end{pmatrix} - 2q_y \begin{pmatrix} a_y \\ b_y \\ c_y \\ d_y \end{pmatrix} + (q_x^2 + q_y^2 - r^2) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

So these four vectors are linearly dependent, hence their det vanishes.

**Corollary:**  $d \in \text{circle}(a,b,c)$  iff  $b \in \text{circle}(c,d,a)$  iff  $c \notin \text{circle}(d,a,b)$  iff  $a \notin \text{circle}(b,c,d)$ 



#### Another naive construction:

- Start with an arbitrary triangulation. Flip any illegal edge until no more exist.
- Requires proof that there are no local minima.
- Could take a long time to terminate.





#### Incremental algorithm:

- Form bounding triangle which encloses all the sites.
- Add the sites one after another in random order and update triangulation.
- If the site is inside an existing triangle:
  - Connect site to triangle vertices.
  - Check if a 'flip' can be performed on one of the triangle edges. If so - check recursively the neighboring edges.
- If the site is on an existing edge:
  - Replace edge with four new edges.
  - Check if a 'flip' can be performed on one of the opposite edges. If so - check recursively the neighboring edges.



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- A new vertex p<sub>r</sub> is added, causing the creation of edges.
- The legality of the edge p<sub>i</sub>p<sub>j</sub> (with opposite vertex) p<sub>k</sub> is checked.
- If p<sub>i</sub>p<sub>j</sub> is illegal, perform a flip, and recursively check edges p<sub>i</sub>p<sub>k</sub> and p<sub>j</sub> p<sub>k</sub>, the new edges opposite p<sub>r</sub>.
- Notice that the recursive call for p<sub>i</sub>p<sub>k</sub> cannot eliminate the edge p<sub>r</sub> p<sub>k</sub>.
- Note: All edge flips replace edges opposite the new vertex by edges incident to it!







- Theorem: The expected number of edges flips made in the course of the algorithm (some of which also disappear later) is at most 6n.
- Proof: During insertion of vertex p<sub>i</sub>, k<sub>i</sub> new edges are created: 3 new initial edges, and k<sub>i</sub>-3 due to flips.

**Backward analysis:**  $E[k_i] =$  the expected degree of  $p_i$  after the insertion is complete = 6 (Euler).



- Point location for every point: O(log n) time.
- Flips:  $\Theta(n)$  expected time in total (for all steps).
- Total expected time: O(n log n).
- Space:  $\Theta(n)$ .







### Sibson Coordinates



 $w_i = \operatorname{Area}[C_i \cap C_p], \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$ 

## Sibson Coordinates



- Well define over convex hull
- Local support
- Satisfy Lagrange property
- C<sup>1</sup> continuity, except at points p<sub>i</sub> (only C<sup>0</sup>)

## GENERALIZED BARYCENTRIC COORDINATES

### Quadrilateral?



 $b_1(p) = (1-s)(1-t), \quad b_2(p) = s(1-t), \quad b_3(p) = st, \quad b_4(p) = (1-s)t$ 

**Bilinear interpolation** 

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Bilinear map on unit square

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Image of bilinear map on unit square

# Unified Formula! [Floater]



$$G_i = 2A_i - B_i - B_{i+1} + \sqrt{B_1^2 + B_2^2 + 2A_1A_3 + 2A_2A_4},$$
 signed area



**Properties:** Constant precision Linear precision The Lagrange property Non-negativity Linearity along edges Smoothness Closed-form

#### Interpolation



$$b_i = \frac{w_i}{W}$$
, where  $W = \sum_{j=1}^n w_j$ 

Different weights -> different coordinate functions

- Wachspress coordinates [Wachspress, 1975]
- Discrete harmonic coordinates [Pinkall and Polthier, 1993]
- Mean value coordinates [Floater, 2003]
- Metric coordinates [Malsch et al., 2005]
- Harmonic coordinates [Joshi et al., 2007]
- Maximum entropy coordinates [Hormann and Sukumar, 2008]
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• Three-point coordinates [Floater et al., 2006]

$$p \in \mathbb{R}, \quad w_i = \frac{r_{i-1}^p A_i - r_i^p B_i + r_{i+1}^p A_{i-1}}{A_{i-1} A_i}$$











#### Mean value coordinates



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Positive mean value coordinates [Lipman et al., 2007]



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#### Harmonic coordinates



#### Biharmonic vs Harmonic





Harmonic
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## Barycentric mapping



## Complex barycentric mapping



Three-point coordinates are generalized to complex three-point coordinates

Green coordinates are members of complex three-point coordinates [Lipman et al., 2008] Induce conformal mappings





Harmonic

## **APPLICATIONS**



## Image warping

