

Further topics (with possible papers to suggest):

- routing
- Travelling Salesman Problem (today)
- Frechet distance and polygon sweeping
- reconfiguration
- online shortest paths
- thick paths, airspace problems
- betweenness centrality
- etc.

Deadline for selecting a paper or suggesting a topic from above: Wednesday October 15.

Schedule:

Mon Oct 6
Wed Oct 8 Hamide

Mon Oct 13 - Thanksgiving
Wed Oct 15 Mustaq Ahmed

Mon Oct 20 Philippe Nathan (or Wed.)
Wed Oct 22 Khaled

Mon Oct 27
Wed Oct 29

Shortest paths through multiple targets — Travelling Salesman and etc.

Travelling Salesman Problem. Given a graph $G=(V,E)$ with weights on edges $w:E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$, find a TSP tour — a cycle C that visits every vertex exactly once and has minimum weight

$$\sum_{e \in C} w(e)$$

Bill Cook, U. Waterloo

<http://www.math.uwaterloo.ca/tsp/>

TSP Home

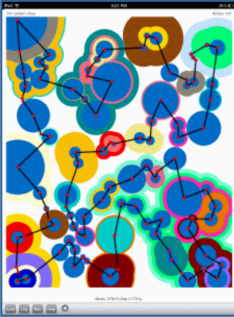
The Traveling Salesman Problem

The Traveling Salesman Problem is one of the most intensively studied problems in computational mathematics. These pages are devoted to the history, applications, and current research of this challenge of finding the shortest route visiting each member of a collection of locations and returning to your starting point.

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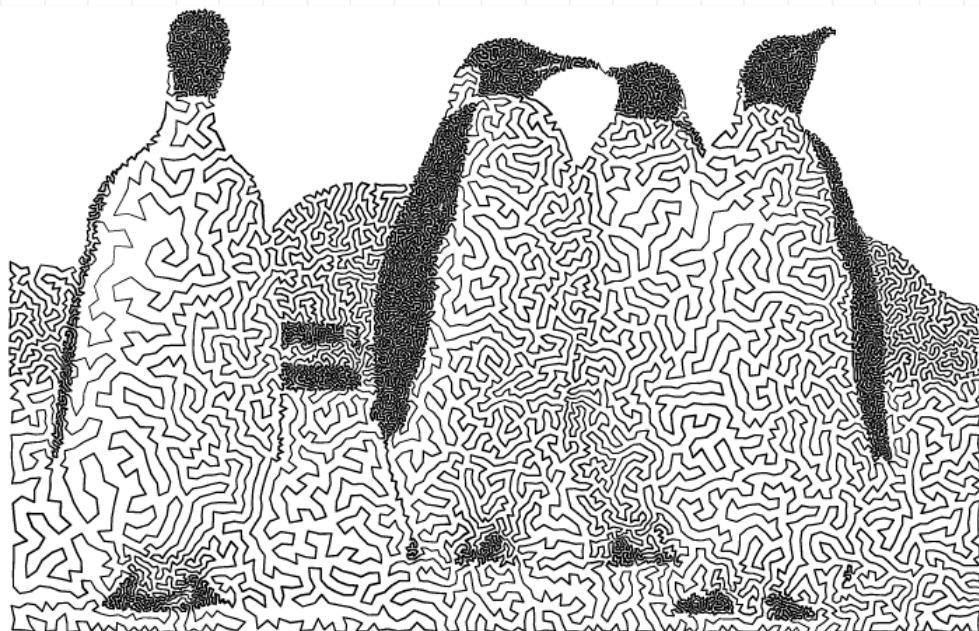
TSP iPhone/iPad App
iTunes Preview
App Support Page
NY Times Article

[United States TSP](#) \$500 Prize for best tour through 115,475 US cities.

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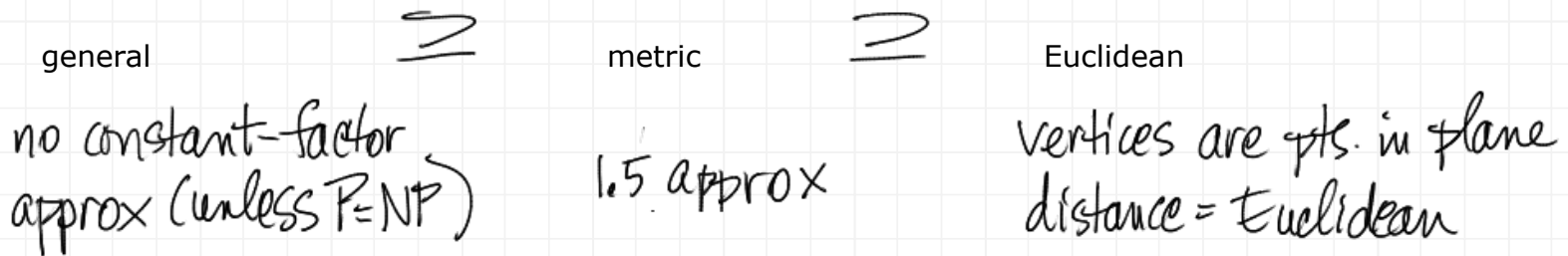
Craig Kaplan



Travelling Salesman Problem.

TSP is NP-complete

Approximation algorithms:



recent progress

PAS - polynomial
time approx scheme
'98 - Mitchell
- Arora

[Approximating graphic TSP by matchings](#)

T Momke, O Svensson - Foundations of Computer Science (..., 2011 - [ieeexplore.ieee.org](#)
Abstract—We present a framework for approximating the metric TSP based on a novel use of matchings. Traditionally, matchings have been used to add edges in order to make a given graph Eulerian, whereas our approach also allows for the removal of certain edges ...
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could present

+ related papers

Travelling Salesman Problem with neighbourhoods.

[Approximation algorithms for TSP with neighborhoods in the plane](#)

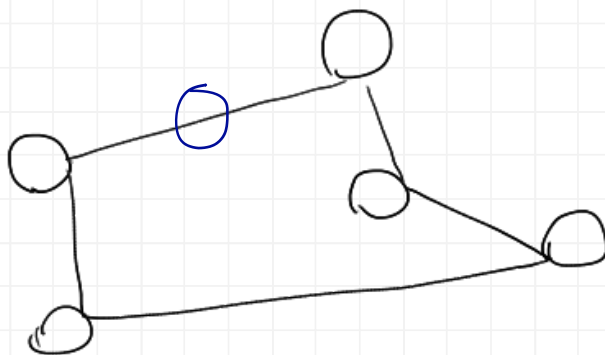
A Dumitrescu, JSB Mitchell - *Journal of Algorithms*, 2003 - Elsevier

In the Euclidean TSP with neighborhoods (TSPN), we are given a collection of n regions (neighborhoods) and we seek a shortest tour that visits each region. As a generalization of the classical Euclidean TSP, TSPN is also NP-hard. In this paper, we present new ...

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+ later papers



Touring a sequence of polygons

Touring a sequence of polygons

[M Dror, A Efrat, A Lubiw, JSB Mitchell](#) - ... of the thirty-fifth annual ACM ... , 2003 - dl.acm.org
Abstract Given a **sequence** of k **polygons** in the plane, a start point s , and a target point t , we seek a shortest path that starts at s , visits in order each of the **polygons**, and ends at t . If the **polygons** are disjoint and convex, we give an algorithm running in time $O(kn \log(n/k))$, ...
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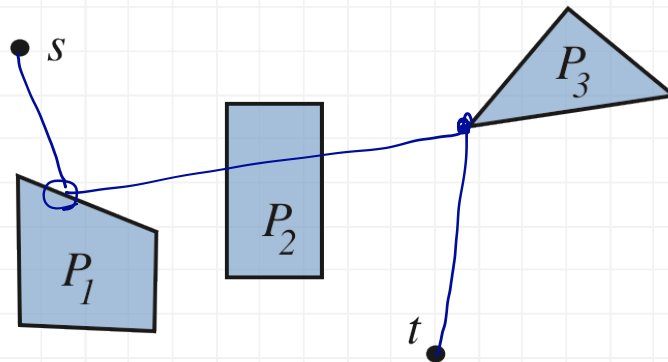
Problem: Given a sequence of k polygons in the plane, a start point s , and a target point t , find a shortest path that starts at s , visits the polygons in order, and ends at t .

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$O(nk^2 \log n)$ for non-disjoint convex polygons, with boundary constraint on the path

Query for shortest path to t in $O(k \log n + \text{output-size})$



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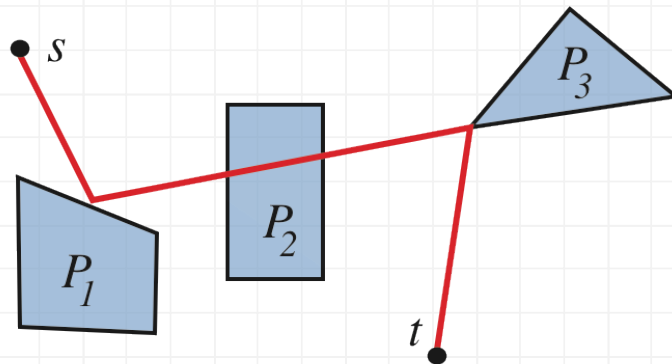
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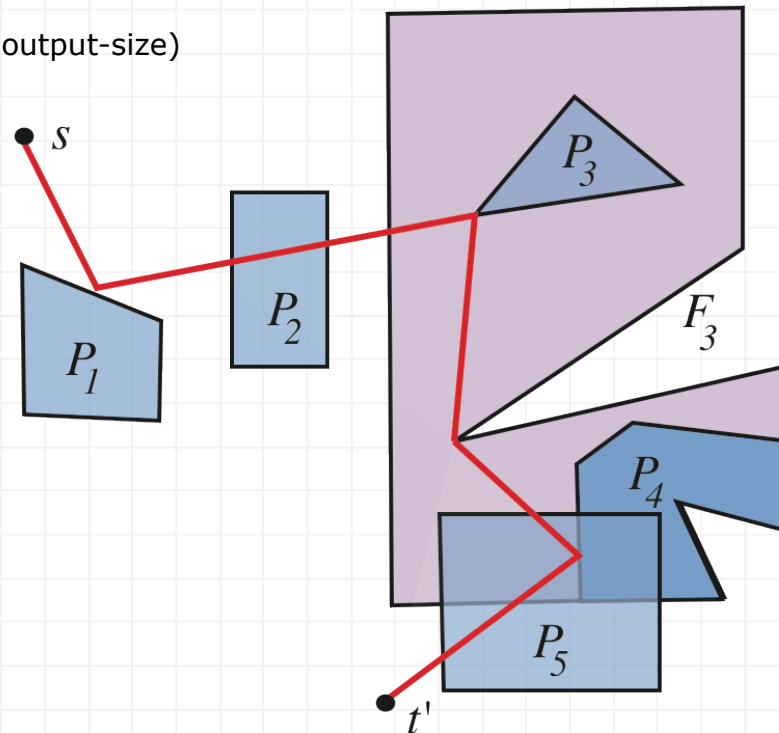
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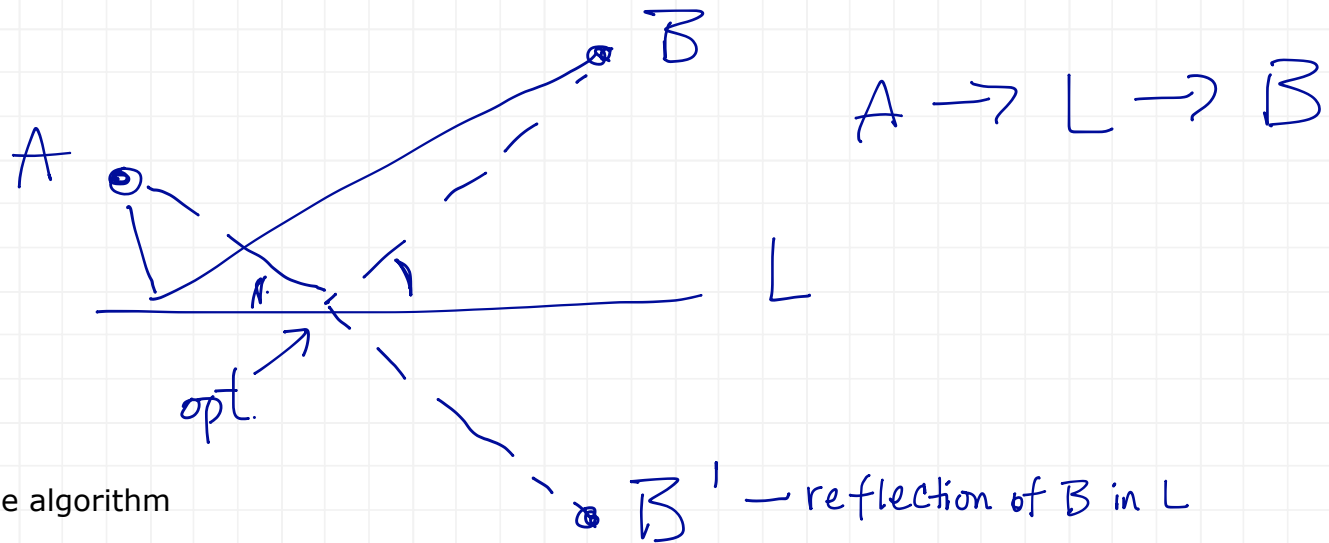
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Touring a sequence of polygons

crucial property — visiting a line

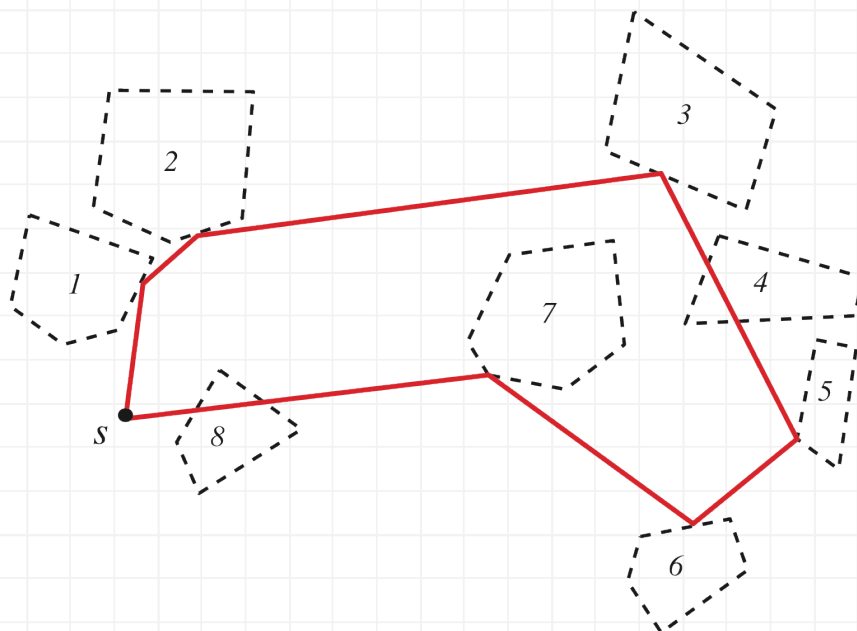


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Touring a sequence of polygons — Applications

Parts Cutting

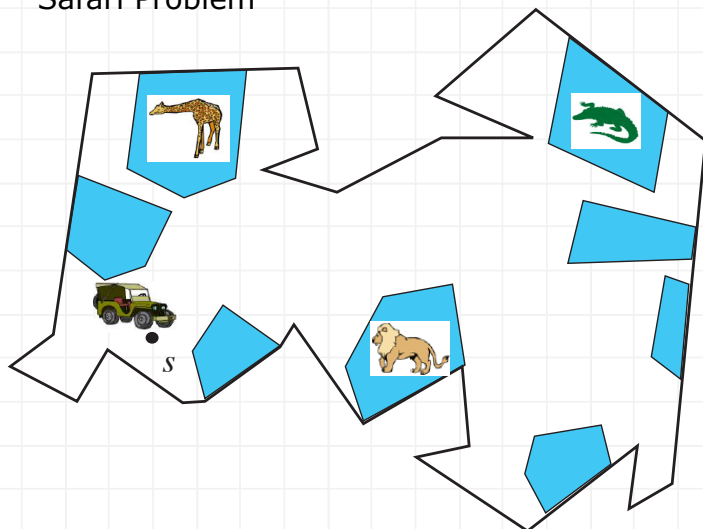


disjoint convex polygons (no boundaries)

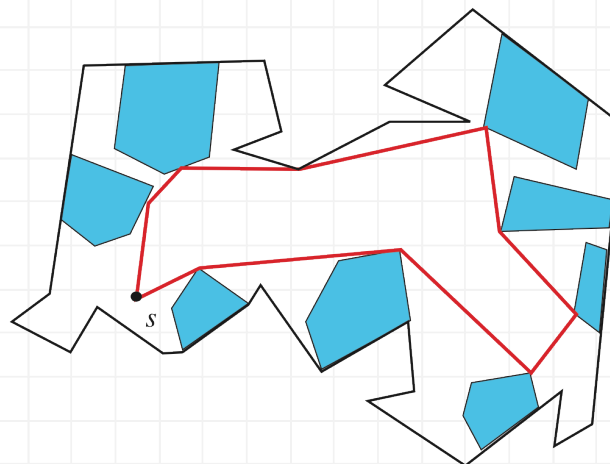
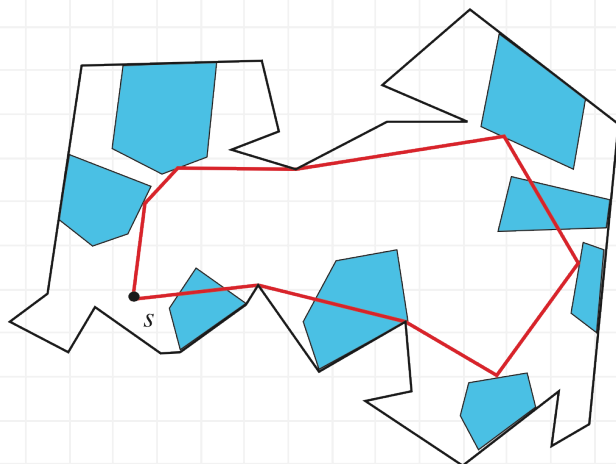
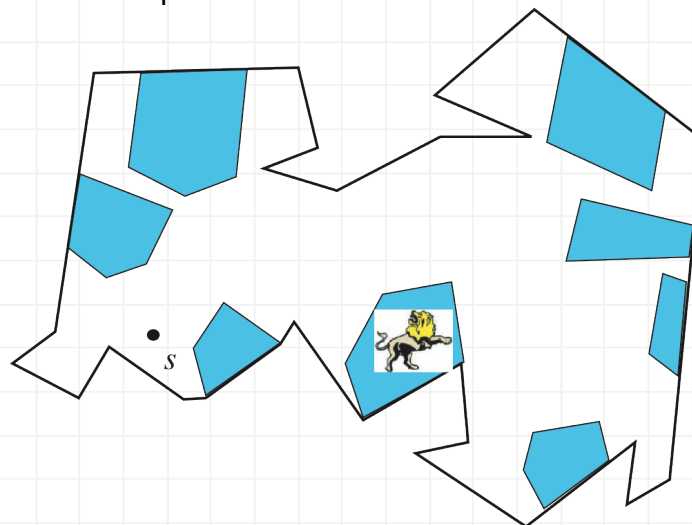
$O(nk \log n)$ $k = \#$ polygons, $n =$ total number of vertices

Touring a sequence of polygons — Applications

Safari Problem

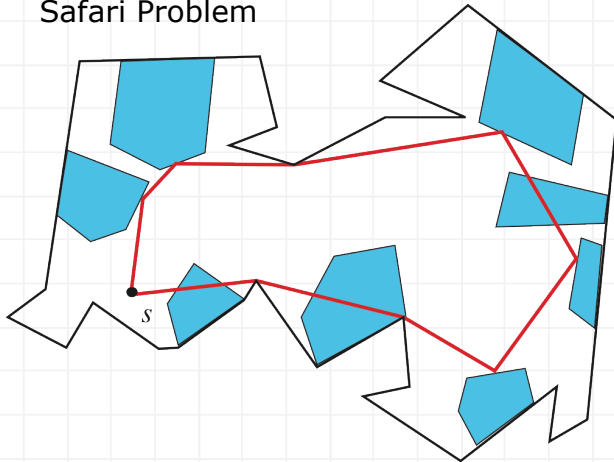


Zookeeper Problem

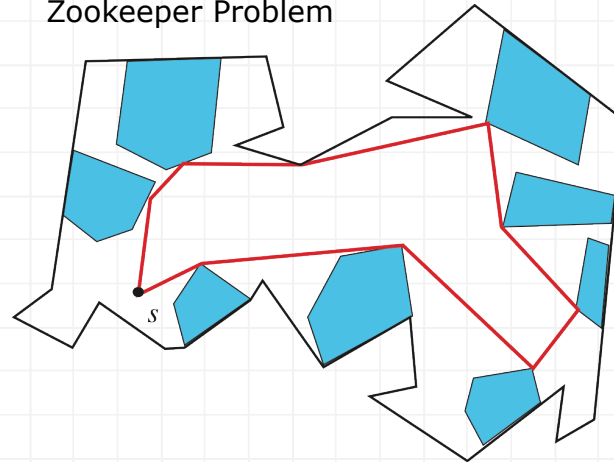


Touring a sequence of polygons — Applications

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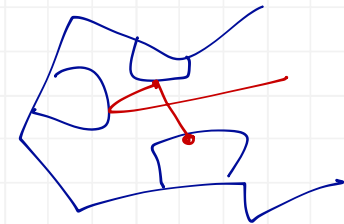
Zookeeper Problem



disjoint convex polygons
 enclosed in one large polygon, and touching its boundary
 order of visit determined by order around polygon

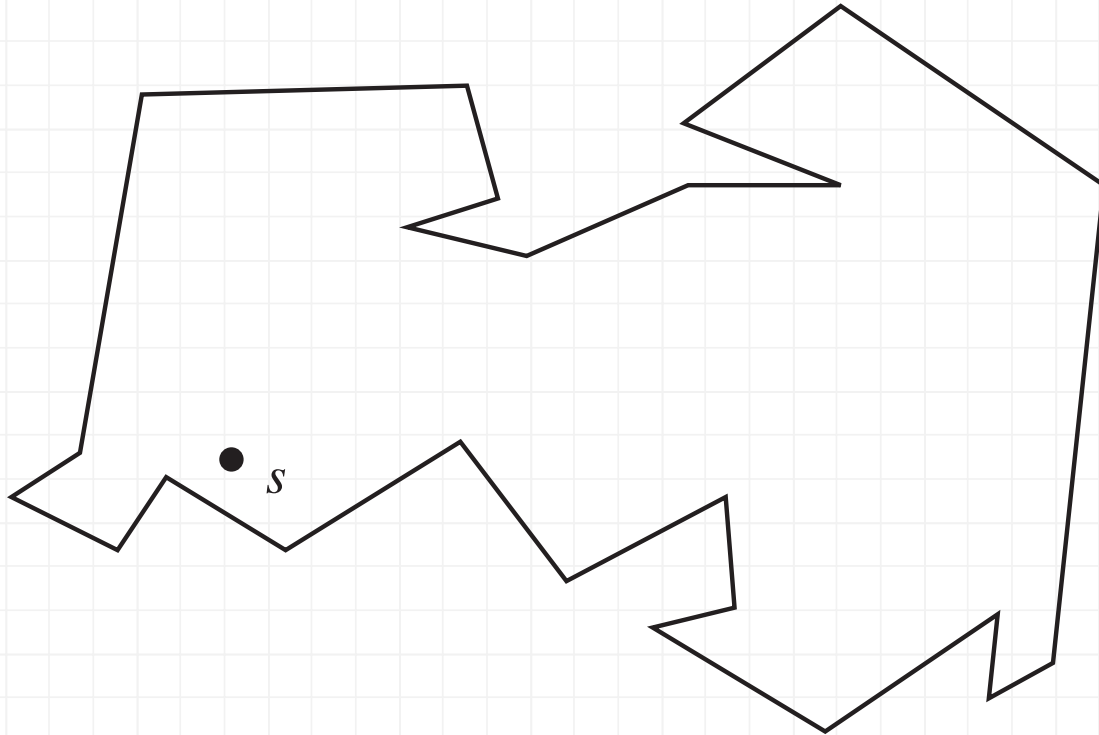
to prove

$O(nk \log n)$
 this improved previous algorithms for Safari problem
 (zookeeper has an $O(n \log n)$ algorithm)



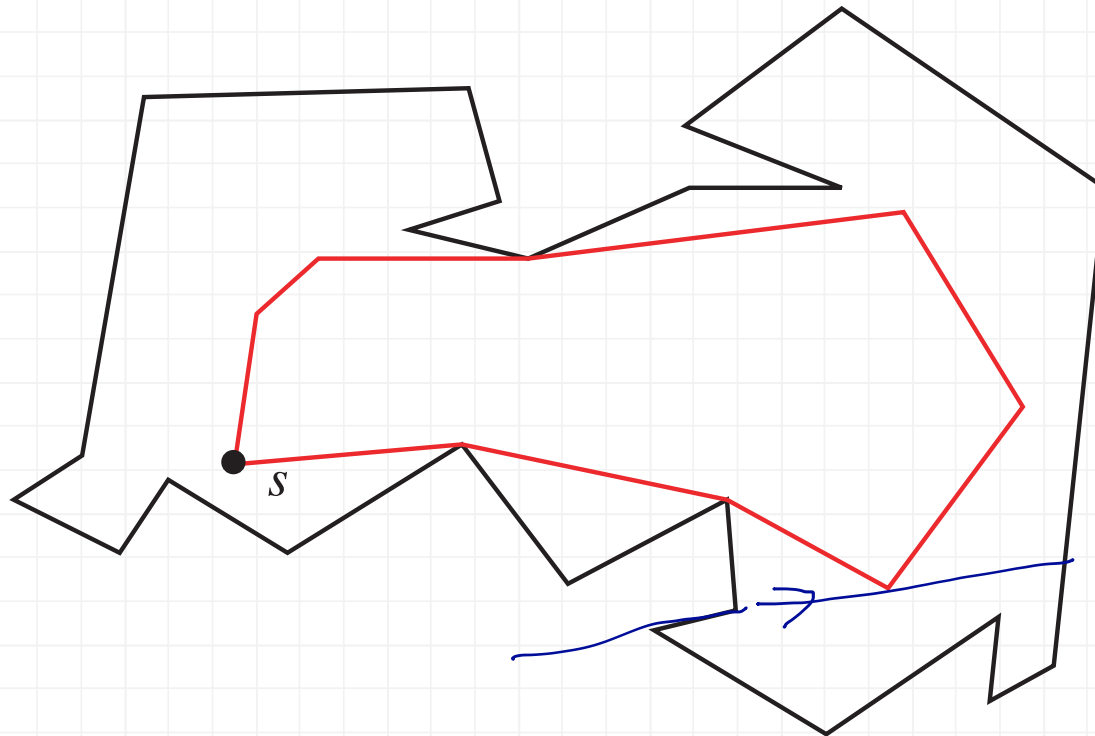
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Watchman route — find shortest tour from s s.t. every point on the polygon boundary is visible from some point on the tour



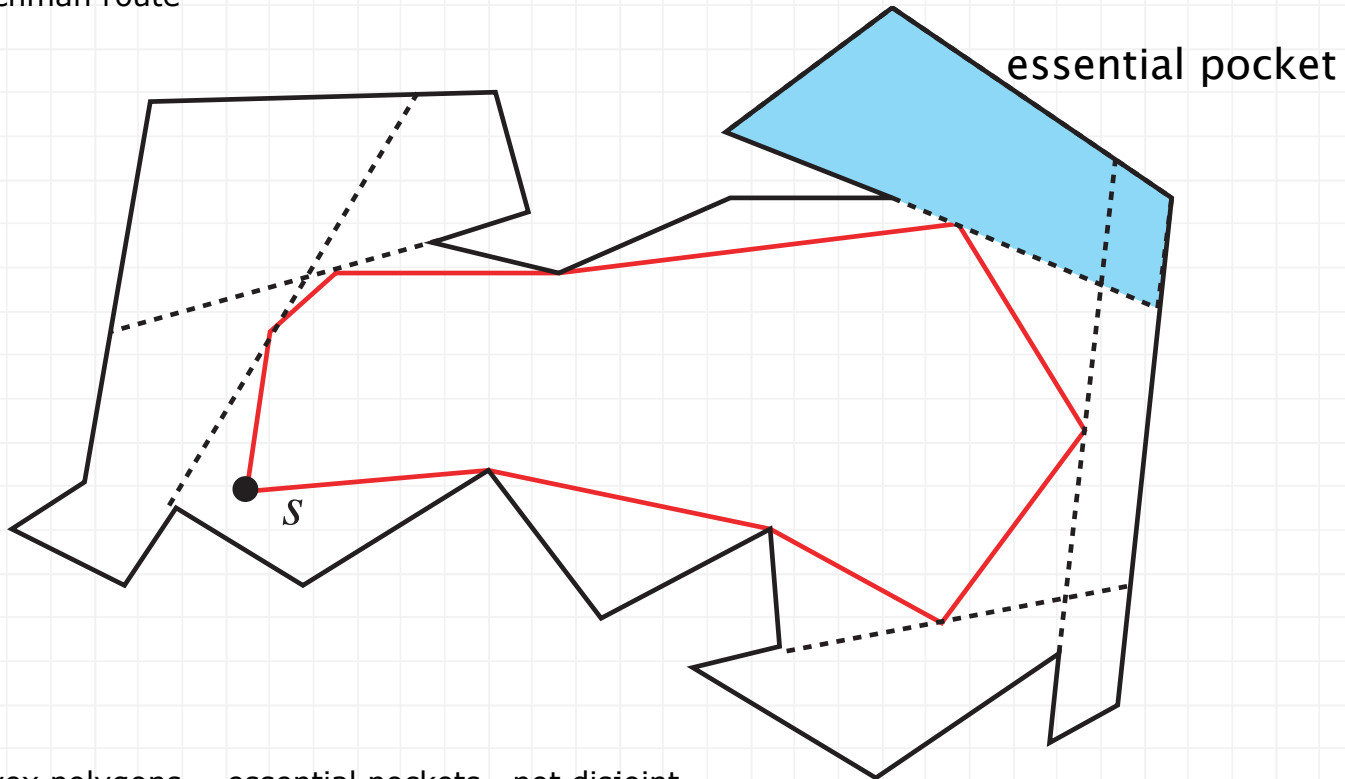
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Touring a sequence of polygons — Applications

Watchman route



convex polygons = essential pockets. not disjoint
enclosed in one large polygon, and touching its boundary
order of visit determined by order around polygon

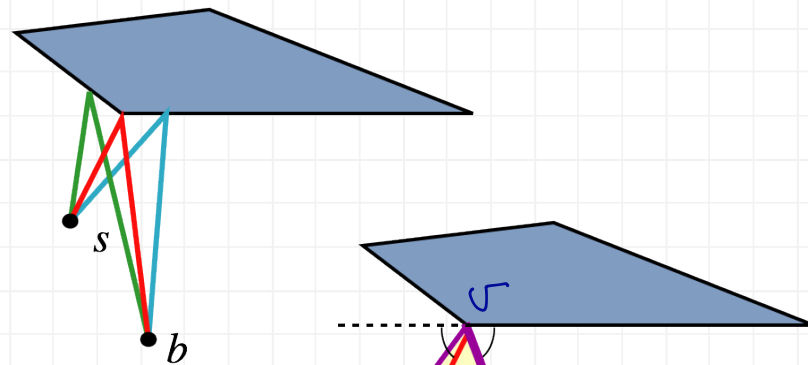
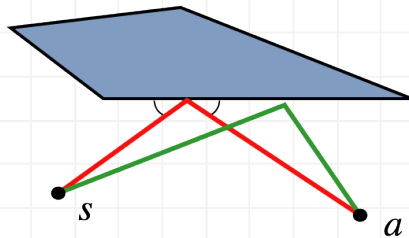
$O(n^3 \log n)$ — better than previous algorithms

Touring a sequence of polygons

Two main ideas for the algorithm

- locally shortest paths are unique
- although the shortest path map is too big, we can use a "last step shortest path map"

A path is locally shortest if moving any one bend of the path does not improve it



Locally shortest \Rightarrow globally shortest

because locally shortest paths are unique
(as the algorithm will show)

easy to find
using equal
angle property

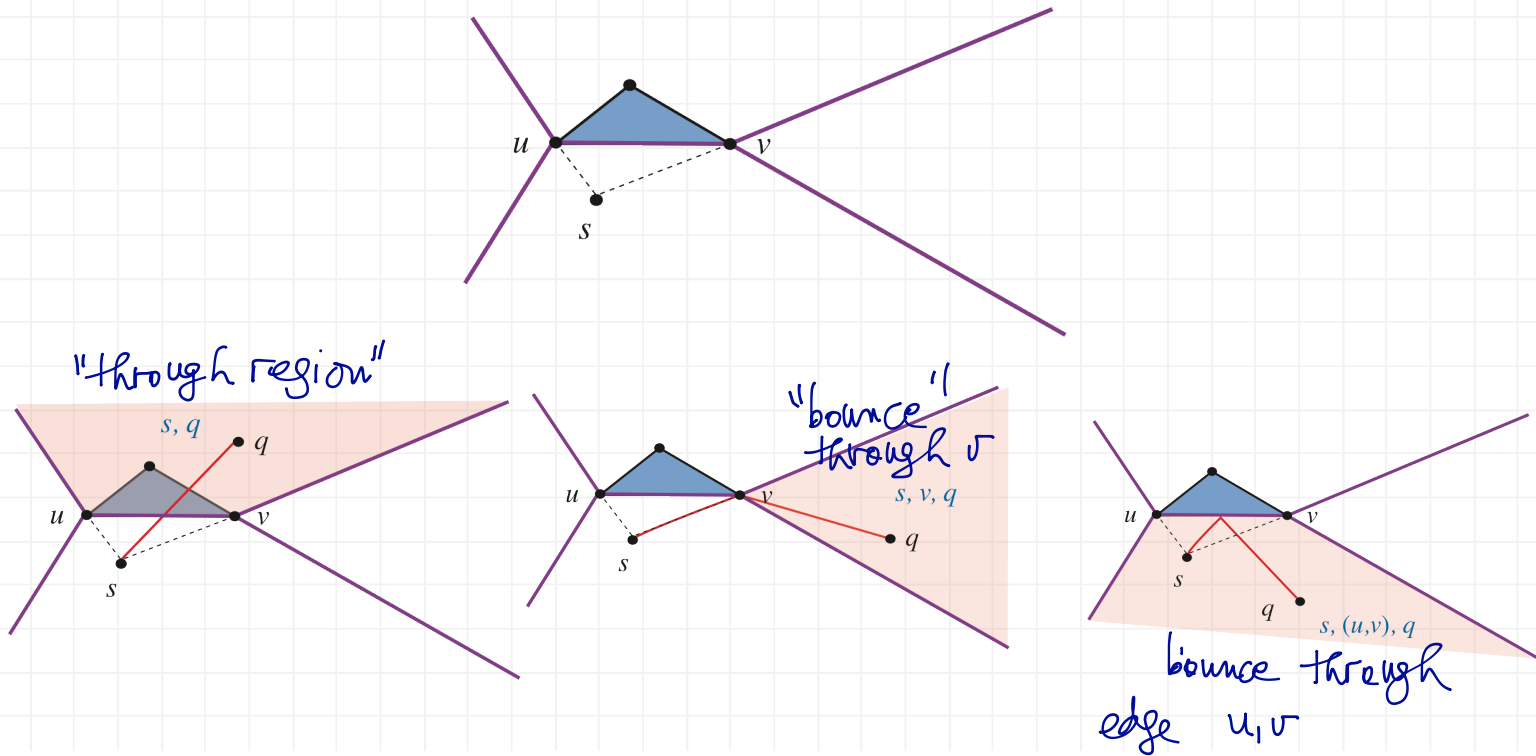
for t in this
cone best path is $s \rightarrow v \rightarrow t$
rather than bouncing off edge.

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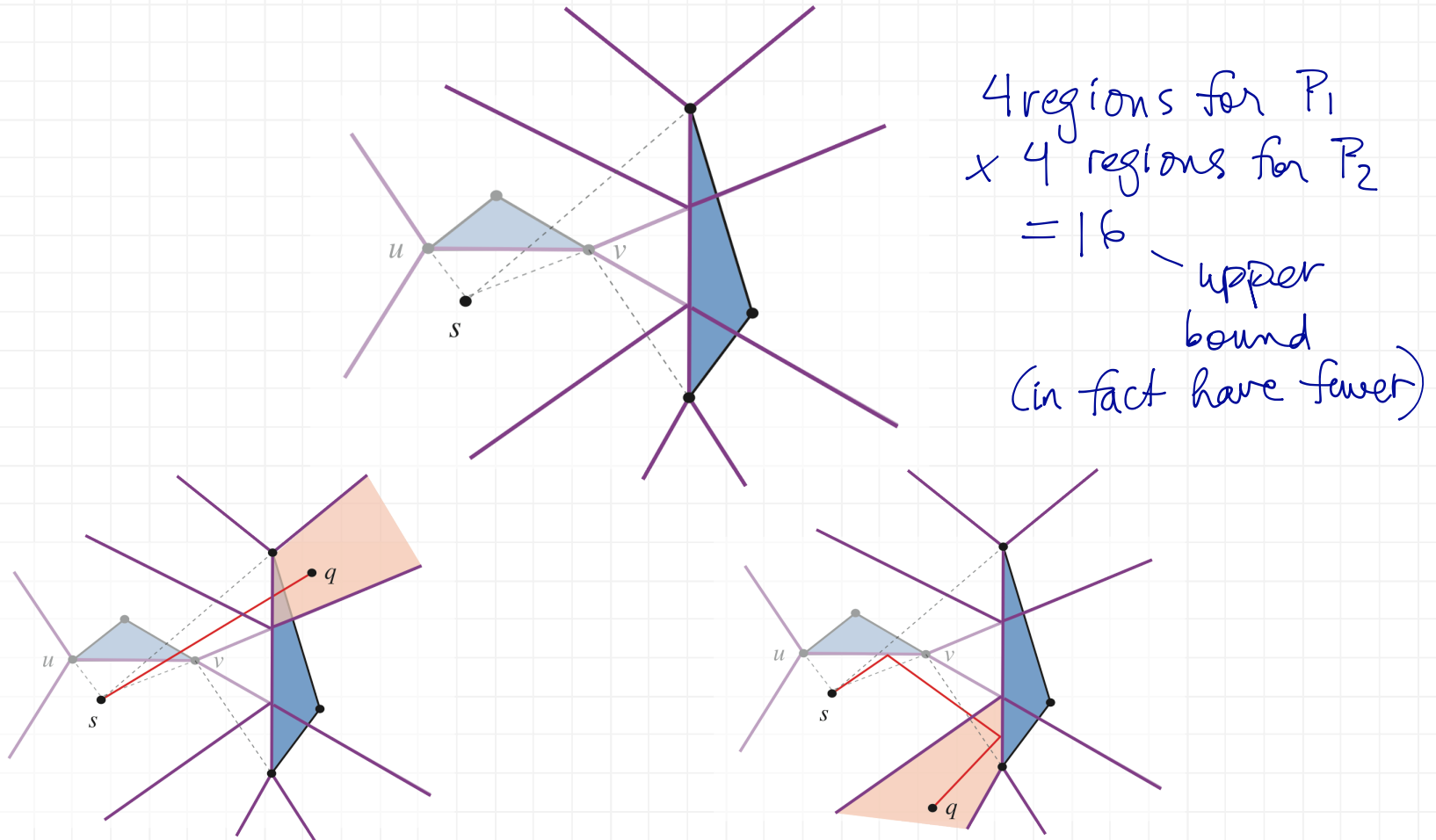
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shortest path map — divide plane into regions by combinatorics of shortest path



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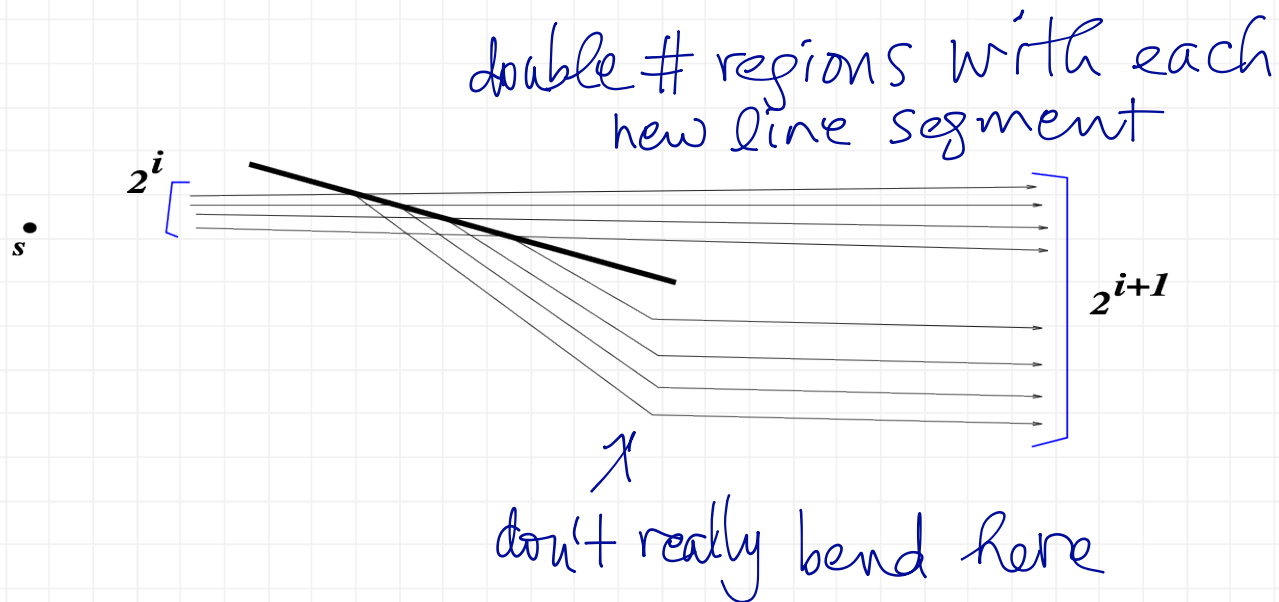
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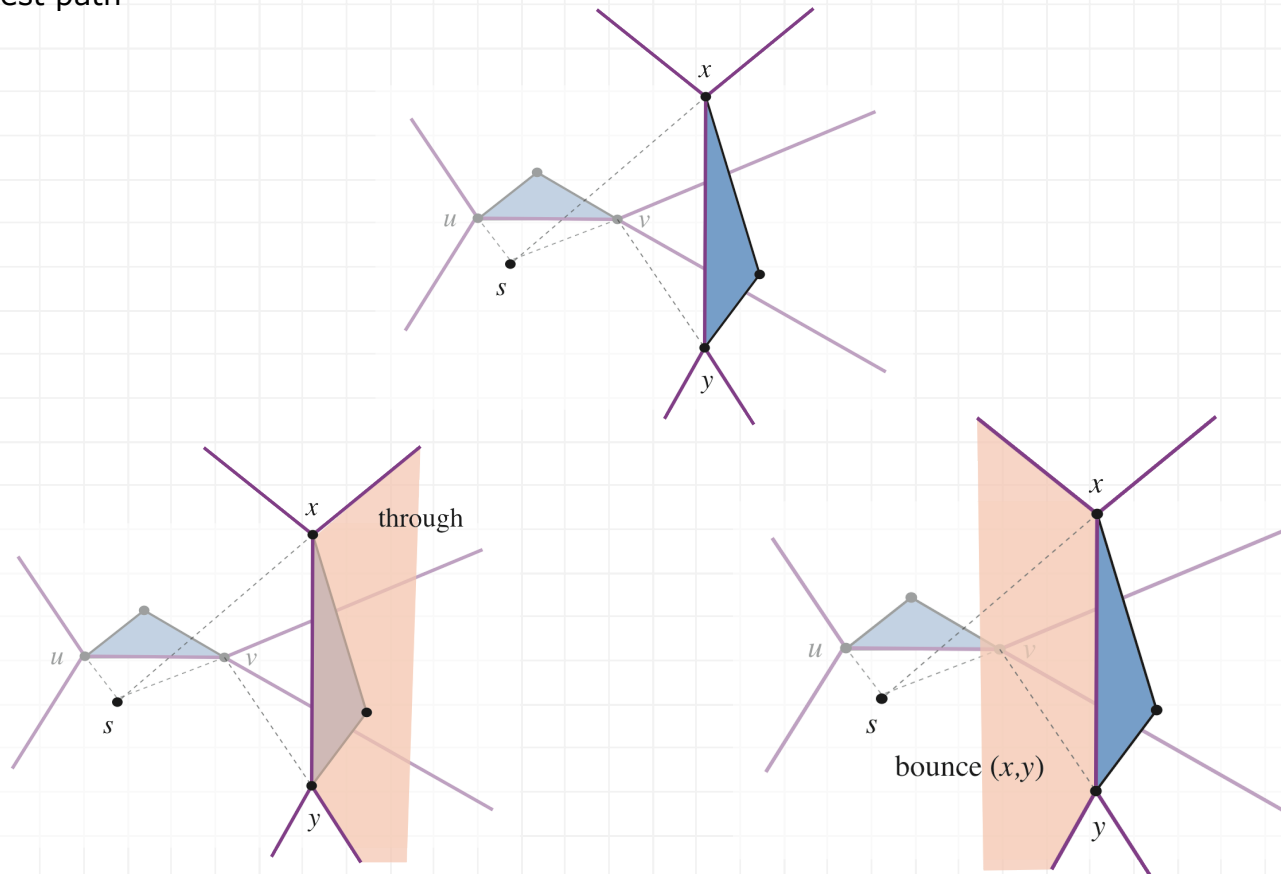
Theorem. The complexity of the shortest path map for n line segments can be 2^k



Touring a sequence of polygons

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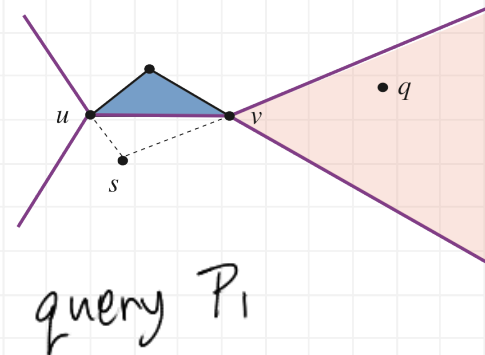
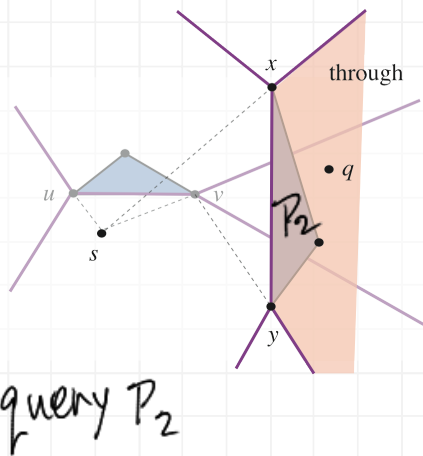
last step shortest path map — divide plane into regions by combinatorics of the last step of the shortest path



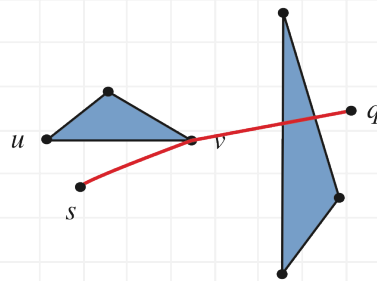
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answering queries using the last step shortest path map — Example 1



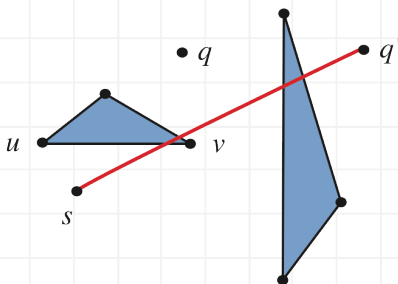
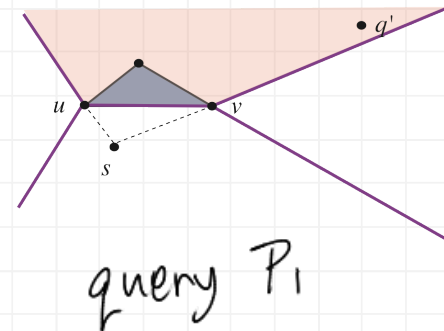
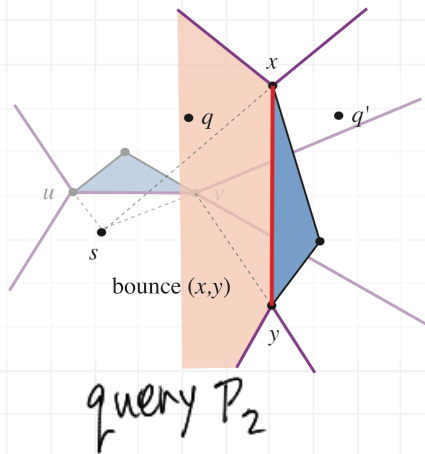
final result



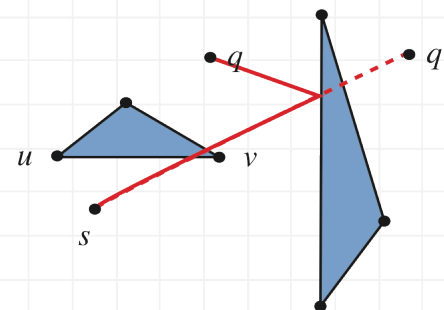
Touring a sequence of polygons

last step shortest path map — divide plane into regions by combinatorics of the last step of the shortest path

answering queries using the last step shortest path map — Example 2



final result



Example 3 — bounce off vertex y for $P_2 \Rightarrow$ query y for P_1

Touring a sequence of polygons

last step shortest path map — divide plane into regions by combinatorics of the last step of the shortest path

answering queries using the last step shortest path map

$O(k \log n)$ to find shortest path length

$O(k \log n + \text{output-size})$ to find shortest path

need:

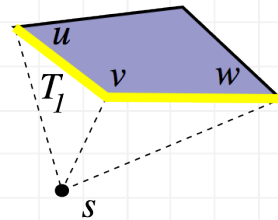
planar point location

reflect point in line

don't need distance computations to find shortest path (so no square roots)

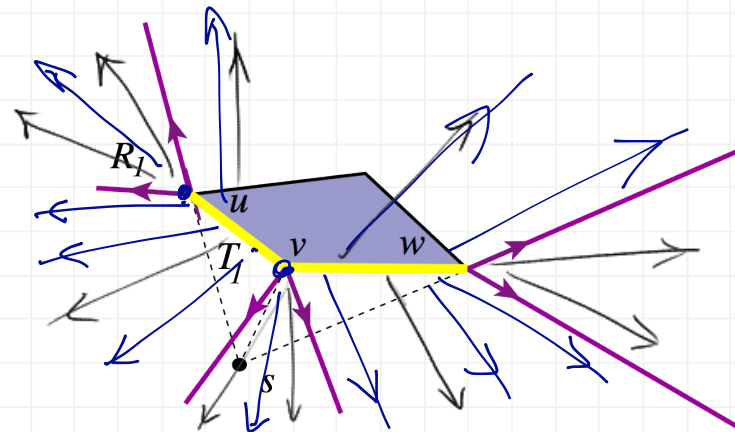
Touring a sequence of polygons — Algorithm

Add polygons one by one, computing the last step shortest path map for each



find T = “first contact” points of P

Claim. T forms a chain.



find the rays leaving vertices of T

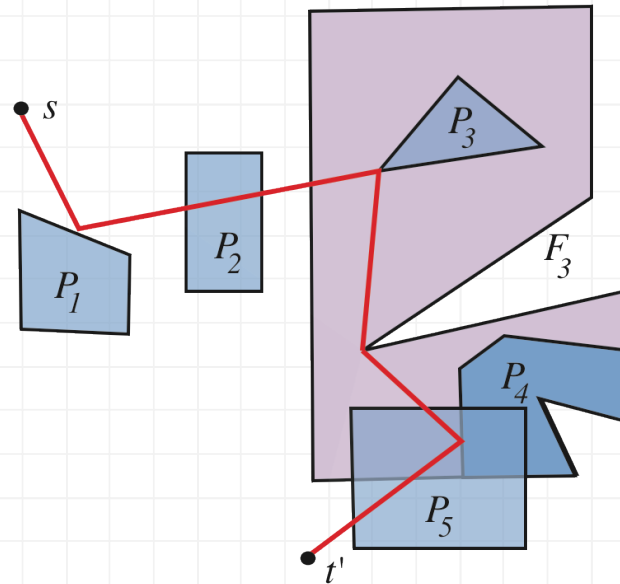
Claim. rays leaving T form a “starburst”, i.e. there is a unique ray to each point in the plane

Thus locally shortest paths are unique

Just need to query every vertex of P_i with respect to polygon sequence $P_1 \dots P_{i-1}$
 $O(k \log n)$ per query. Total $O(nk \log n)$.

Touring a sequence of polygons

general problem: non-disjoint convex polygons, with boundary constraints on the path

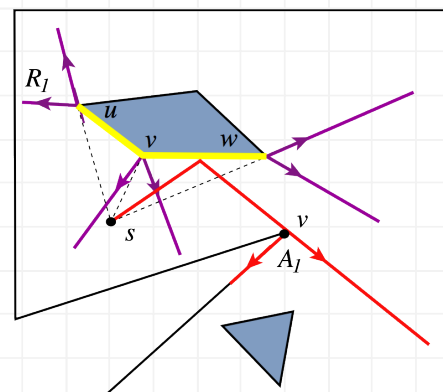
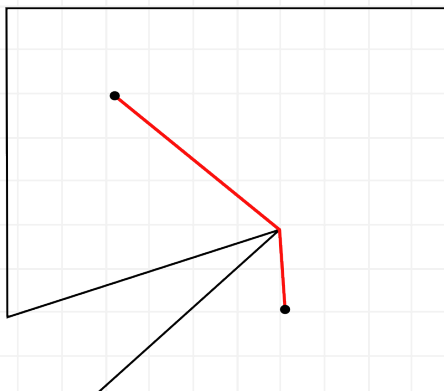


algorithm and analysis are more complicated — will just give top-level ideas

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boundary constraints

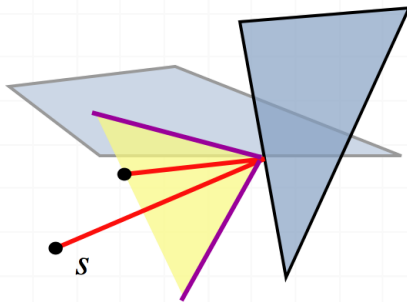


construct shortest path map from the
starburst rays leaving P

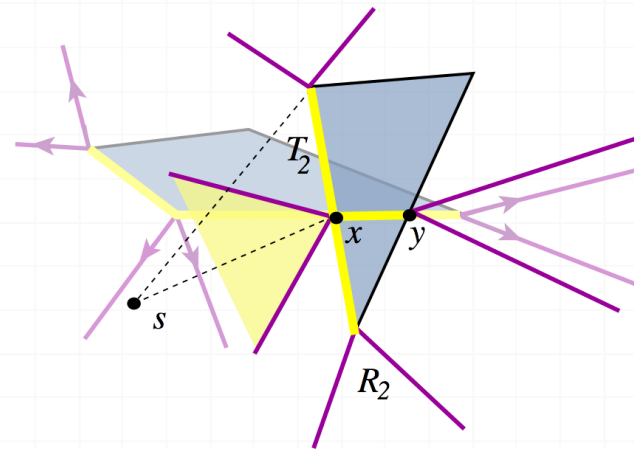
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general problem: non-disjoint convex polygons, with boundary constraints on the path

intersecting polygons



shortest paths may "bounce"
from intersection points



"first contact" set becomes a tree
rays leaving P still form a starburst
so locally shortest paths are unique

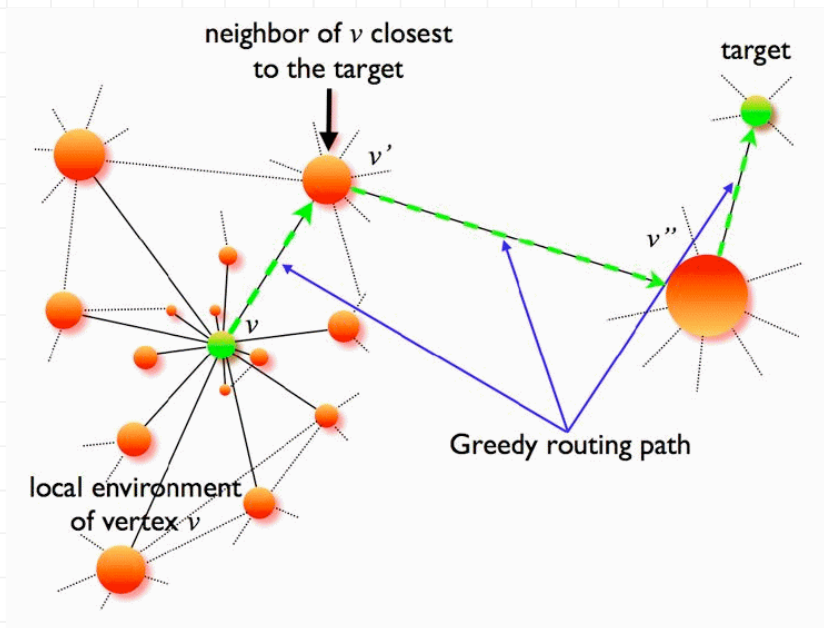
Running time increases to $O(nk^2 \log n)$

routing

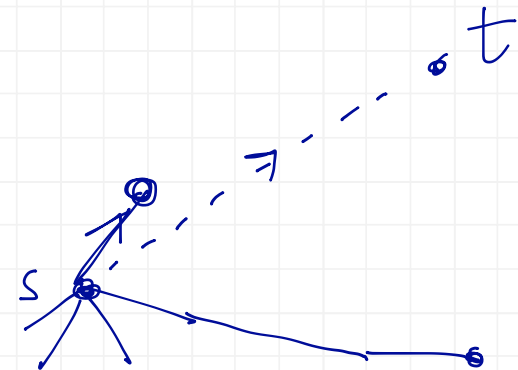
Find a path from s to t in a [geometric] graph without knowing the graph.
Use local information.

geometric routing — graph G embedded in the plane

Greedy routing



compass routing



geometric routing

[Routing with guaranteed delivery in ad hoc wireless networks](#)

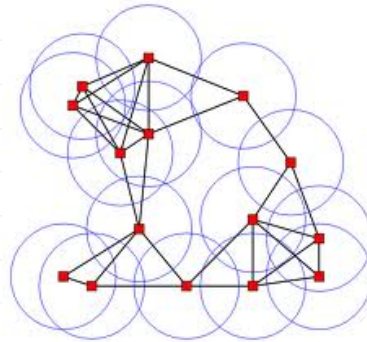
[P. Bose, P. Morin, I. Stojmenović, J. Urrutia](#) - *Wireless networks*, 2001 - dl.acm.org

... In contrast, our algorithms always guarantee that a packet will be **delivered** to (all of) its intended recipient(s) so long as the unit graph $U(S)$ is static and connected during the time it takes to route a message. ... Page 3. **ROUTING WITH GUARANTEED DELIVERY IN AD HOC ...**

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in unit disk
graph.

[Online routing in triangulations](#)

[P. Bose, P. Morin](#) - *SIAM journal on computing*, 2004 - SIAM

We consider **online routing** algorithms for **routing** between the vertices of embedded planar straight line graphs. Our results include (1) two deterministic memoryless **routing** algorithms, one that works for all Delaunay **triangulations** and the other that works for all regular ...

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- planar triangulations

routing

for an abstract graph, we can embed it using "virtual coordinates" and use geometric routing

[HTML] [On a conjecture related to geometric routing](#)

[CH Papadimitriou](#), [D Ratajczak](#) - Theoretical Computer Science, 2005 - Elsevier

We **conjecture** that any planar 3-connected graph can be embedded in the plane in such a way that for any nodes s and t , there is a path from s to t such that the Euclidean distance to t decreases monotonically along the path. A consequence of this **conjecture** would be that ...

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— conj: any 3-connected graph can be embedded s.t. greedy routing works

[Some results on greedy embeddings in metric spaces](#)

[T Leighton](#), [A Moitra](#) - Discrete & Computational Geometry, 2010 - Springer

Abstract Geographic Routing is a family of routing algorithms that uses geographic point locations as addresses for the purposes of routing. Such routing algorithms have proven to be both simple to implement and heuristically effective when applied to wireless sensor ...

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— positive results but # bits for coords. too high (routing tables better)

[Succinct greedy drawings do not always exist](#)

[P Angelini](#), [G Di Battista](#), [F Frati](#) - Networks, 2012 - Wiley Online Library

Abstract A **greedy drawing** is a graph **drawing** containing a distance-decreasing path for every pair of nodes. A path (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_m) is distance-decreasing if $d(v_i, v_m) < d(v_{i-1}, v_m)$, for $i = 1, \dots, m$. **Greedy drawings** easily support geographic **greedy** routing. Hence, a ...

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— for trees

competitive online routing

want length of path found using local routing
 $\leq c \cdot$ shortest path

[HTML] [Competitive online routing in geometric graphs](#)

[P Bose, P Morin](#) - Theoretical Computer Science, 2004 - Elsevier

We consider **online routing** algorithms for finding paths between the vertices of plane

graphs. Although it has been shown in Bose et al. (Internat. J. Comput. Geom. 12 (4) (2002) 283) that there exists no **competitive routing** scheme that works on all triangulations, we ...

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