

Linear-size farthest color Voronoi diagrams: conditions and algorithms

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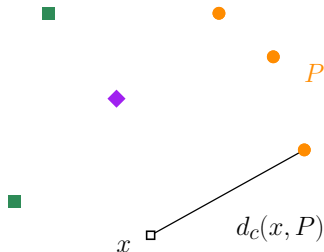
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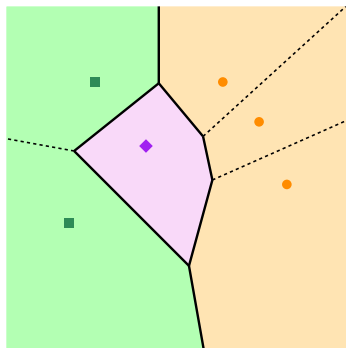
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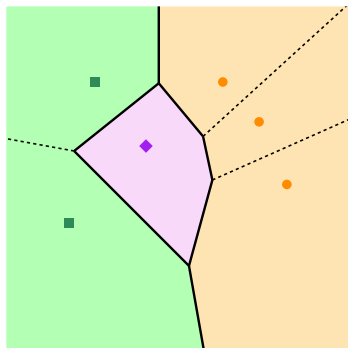
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Nearest Color Voronoi Diagram (NCVD)

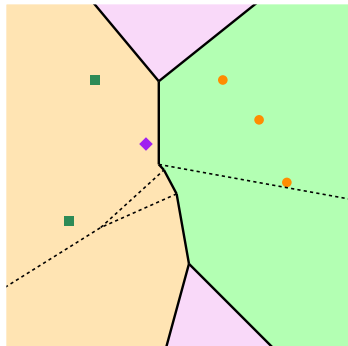
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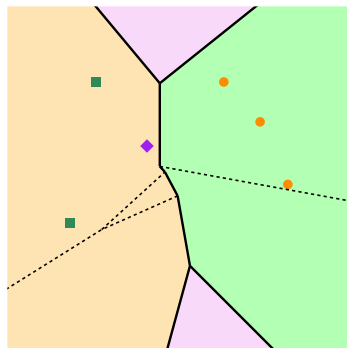
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Motivation - Applications

- **Minimum Hausdorff distance** between two sets of points.
[Huttenlocher et al. 1993]
- **Facility location** with multiple types of facilities.
[Abellanas et al. 2006]
- Euclidean Bottleneck **Steiner tree**. [Bae et al. 2010]
- **Sensor deployment** in wireless networks. [Lee et al. 2010]
- **Stabbing circles** for segments. [Claverol et al. - 2017]

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- FCVD can be computed in $O(n^2)$, by adapting the algorithm of [Edelsbrunner et al. 1989].

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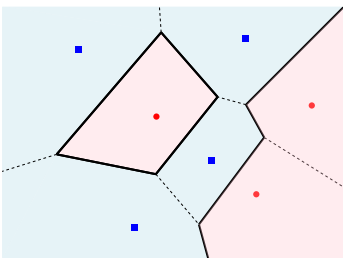
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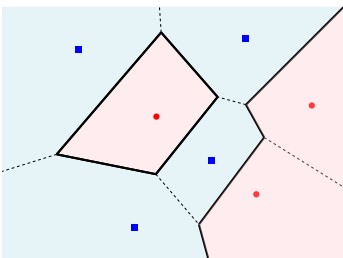
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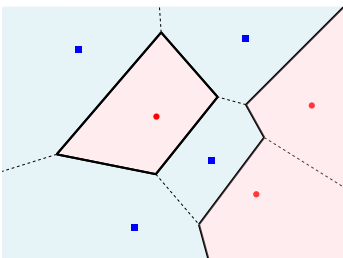


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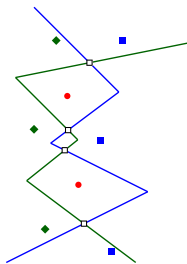
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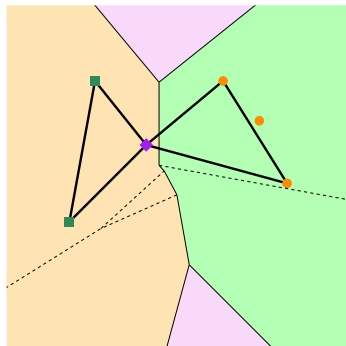
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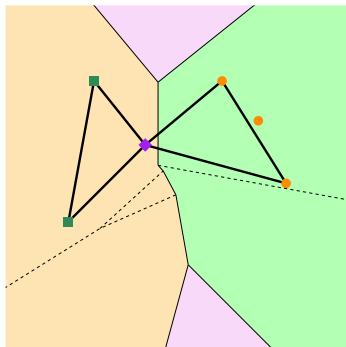


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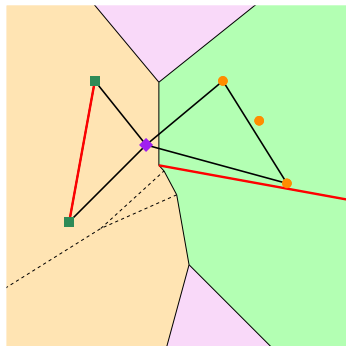
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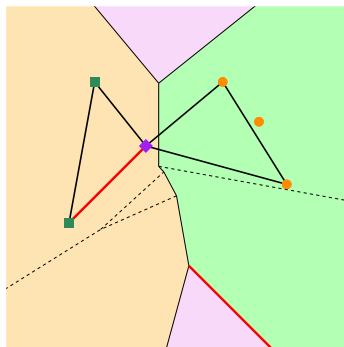
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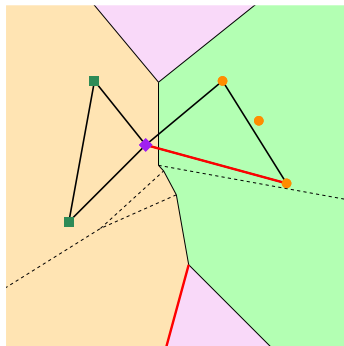
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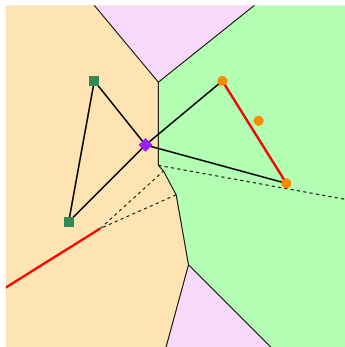
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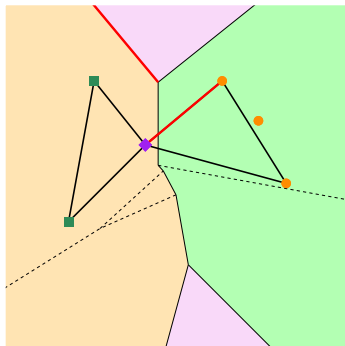
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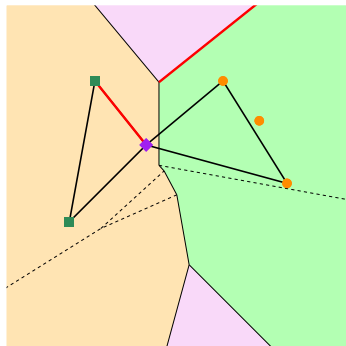
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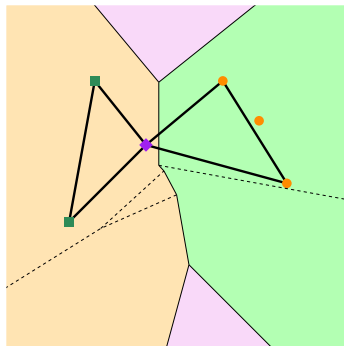
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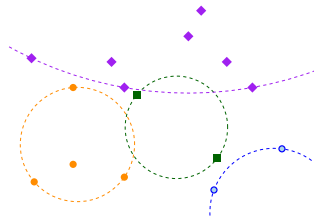
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A family of clusters \mathcal{P} is **disk-separable** if for every $P \in \mathcal{P}$ there exists a disk containing P and no point from other cluster.



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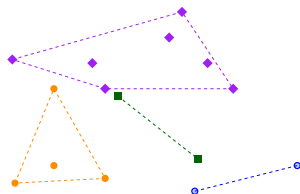
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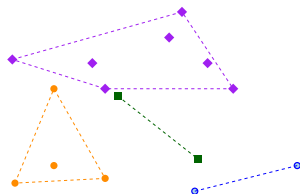


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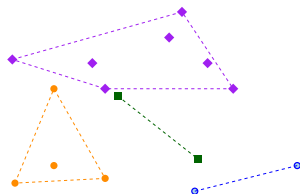
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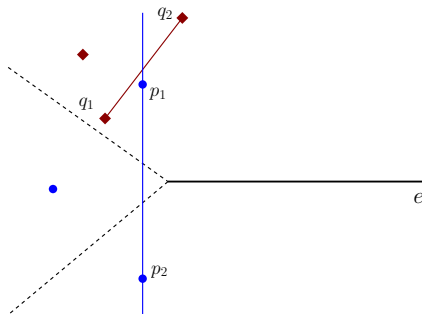
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A diagram showing a vertex where two dashed lines meet. One dashed line extends from the top-left towards the vertex, and the other extends from the bottom-left towards the vertex. A solid line extends horizontally to the right from the vertex, labeled with the letter e . Two blue dots are placed near the vertex: one above the top dashed line labeled p_1 , and one below the bottom dashed line labeled p_2 . A third blue dot is located on the left side of the vertex, between the two dashed lines.

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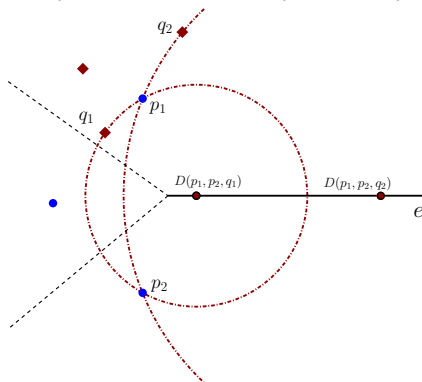
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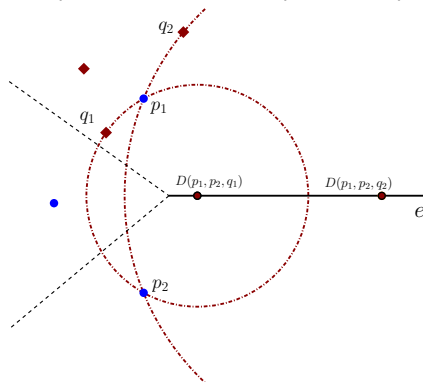


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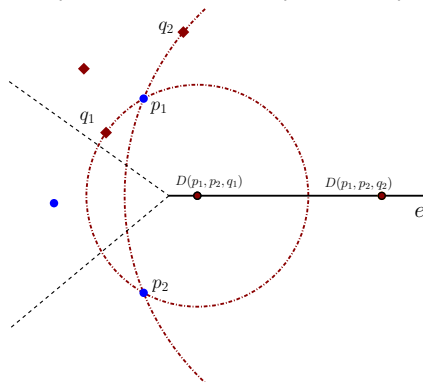
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Future work

- **Settle FCVD complexity** of linearly-separable families.
→ We conjecture it is $\Theta(mn)$ in the worst case.
- **Design $o(n^2)$ algorithm** when FCVD has $O(n)$ complexity.

Thank you for your attention!

