

Discrete and Computational Geometry, SS 14  
Exercise Sheet “3”: Randomized Algorithms for  
Geometric Structures II  
University of Bonn, Department of Computer Science I

- *Written solutions have to be prepared until **Tuesday 13th of May, 14:00 pm**. There will be a letterbox in the LBH building.*
- *You may work in groups of at most two participants.*
- *Please contact Hilko Delonge, [hilko.delonge@uni-bonn.de](mailto:hilko.delonge@uni-bonn.de), if you want to participate and have not yet signed up for one of the exercise groups.*
- *If you are not yet subscribed to the mailing list, please do so at <https://lists.iai.uni-bonn.de/mailman/listinfo.cgi/lc-dcgeom>*

**Exercise 10: Planar Convex Hull by Conflict Lists (4 Points)**

Given a set  $N$  of  $n$  points in the plane, a convex hull  $H(N)$  of  $N$  is a minimal convex polygon containing  $N$ . Let  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  be a random sequence of  $N$ , and let  $N^i$  be  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_i\}$ . Please develop a randomized algorithm to construct  $H(N)$  by computing  $H(N^3), H(N^4), \dots, H(N^n)$  iteratively using the conflict lists. In other words, for  $i \geq 3$ , obtain  $H(N^{i+1})$  from  $H(N^i)$  by adding  $S_{i+1}$ .

1. Describe the insertion of  $S_{i+1}$
2. Define a conflict relation between an edge of  $H(N^i)$  and a point in  $N \setminus N^i$
3. Prove the expected cost of inserting  $S^{i+1}$  to be  $O(\frac{n}{i+1})$  and the expected cost of construction  $H(N)$  to be  $O(n \log n)$

**Exercise 11:      Triangulation (History Graph)                      (4 Points)**

Given a set  $N$  of  $n$  points in the plane, a triangulation  $H(N)$  of  $N$  is a maximal planar straight-line graph, i.e., every edge is a straight-line segment, and no edge can be added to maintain the planarity. Let  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  be a random sequence of  $N$ , and let  $N^i$  be  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_i\}$ . Please develop a randomized algorithm to construct  $H(N)$  by computing  $H(N^3), H(N^4), \dots, H(N^n)$  iteratively using the history graph. In other words, for  $i \geq 3$ , obtain  $H(N^{i+1})$  from  $H(N^i)$  by adding  $S_{i+1}$ .

1. Describe the parent and child relation in the history graph.
2. Describe the insertion of  $S_{i+1}$  using the history graph.
3. Prove the expected cost of inserting  $S_{i+1}$  to be  $O(\frac{n}{i+1})$  and the expected cost of construction  $T(N)$  to be  $O(n \log n)$

**Exercise 12:      Planar Convex Hull by History Graph (4 Points)**

Given a set  $N$  of  $n$  points in the plane, a convex hull  $H(N)$  of  $N$  is a minimal convex polygon containing  $N$ . Let  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$  be a random sequence of  $N$ , and let  $N^i$  be  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_i\}$ . Please develop a randomized algorithm to construct  $H(N)$  by computing  $H(N^3), H(N^4), \dots, H(N^n)$  iteratively using the history graph. In other words, for  $i \geq 3$ , obtain  $H(N^{i+1})$  from  $H(N^i)$  by adding  $S_{i+1}$ .

1. Describe the parent and child relation in the history graph.
2. Describe the insertion of  $S_{i+1}$  using the history graph.
3. Prove the expected cost of inserting  $S_{i+1}$  to be  $O(\frac{n}{i+1})$  and the expected cost of construction  $T(N)$  to be  $O(n \log n)$