

# Point Location & Trapezoidal Maps

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## Outline:

I. Query for the face containing a point

II. Trapezoidal map

III. Geometric complexity of the map

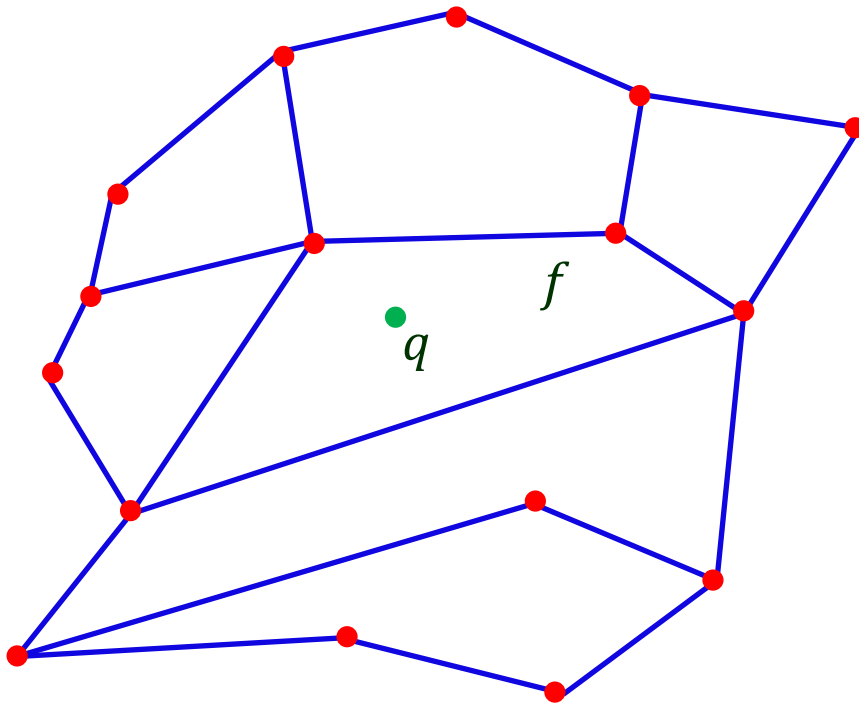
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# I. Query for Containing Face

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$S$ : planar subdivision with  $n$  edges

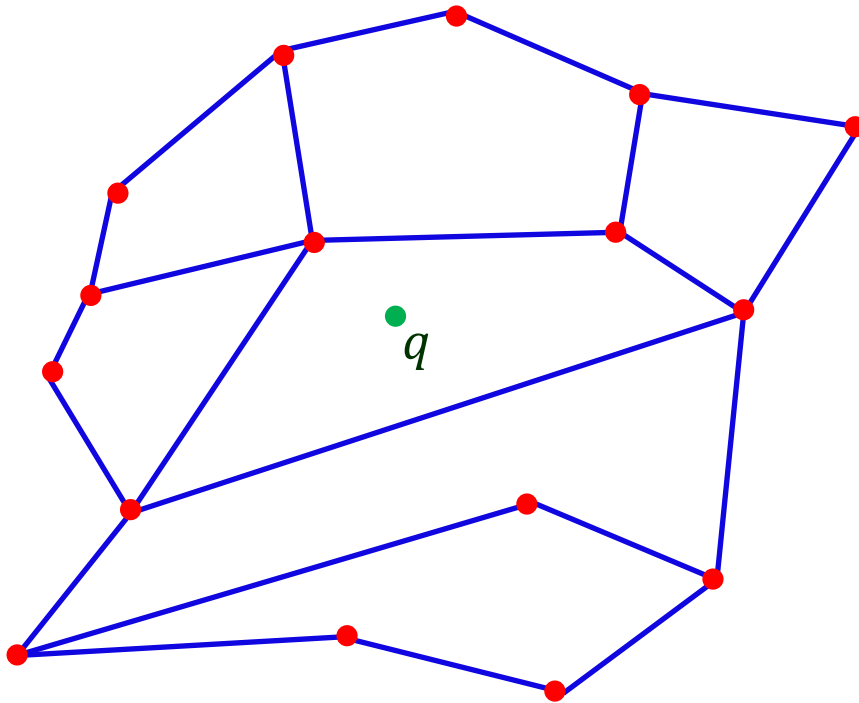
**Query:** Given a point  $q$ , report face  $f$  such that  $q \in f$ .



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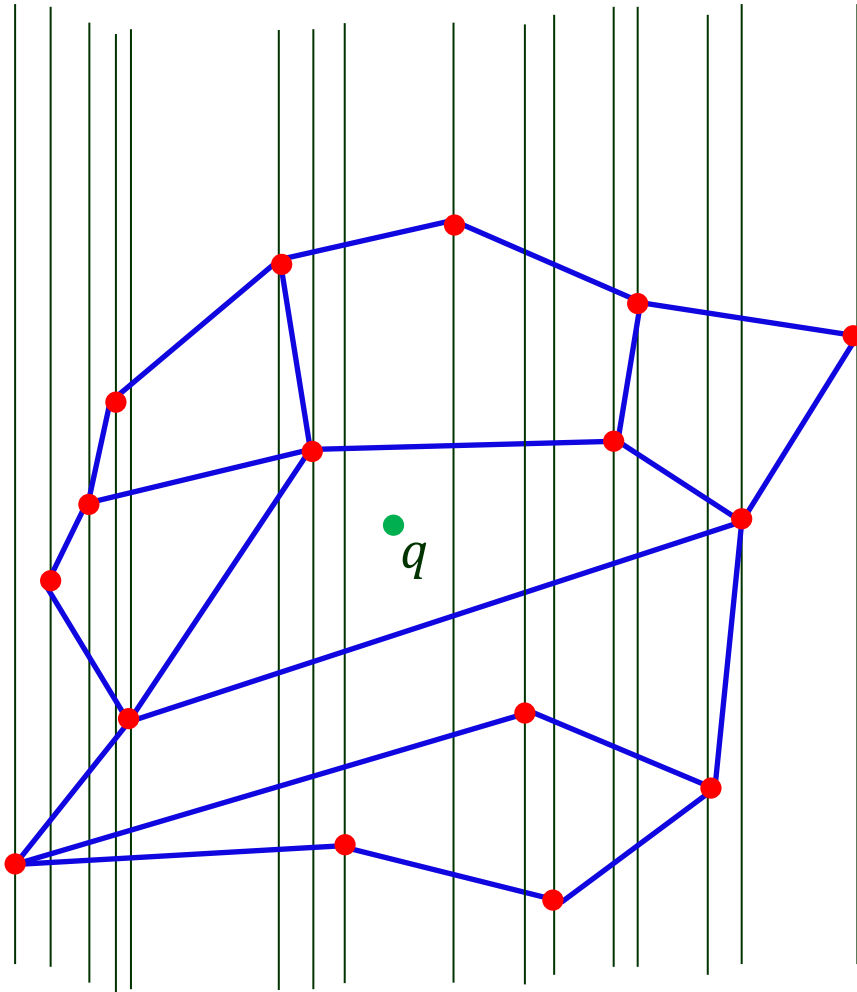
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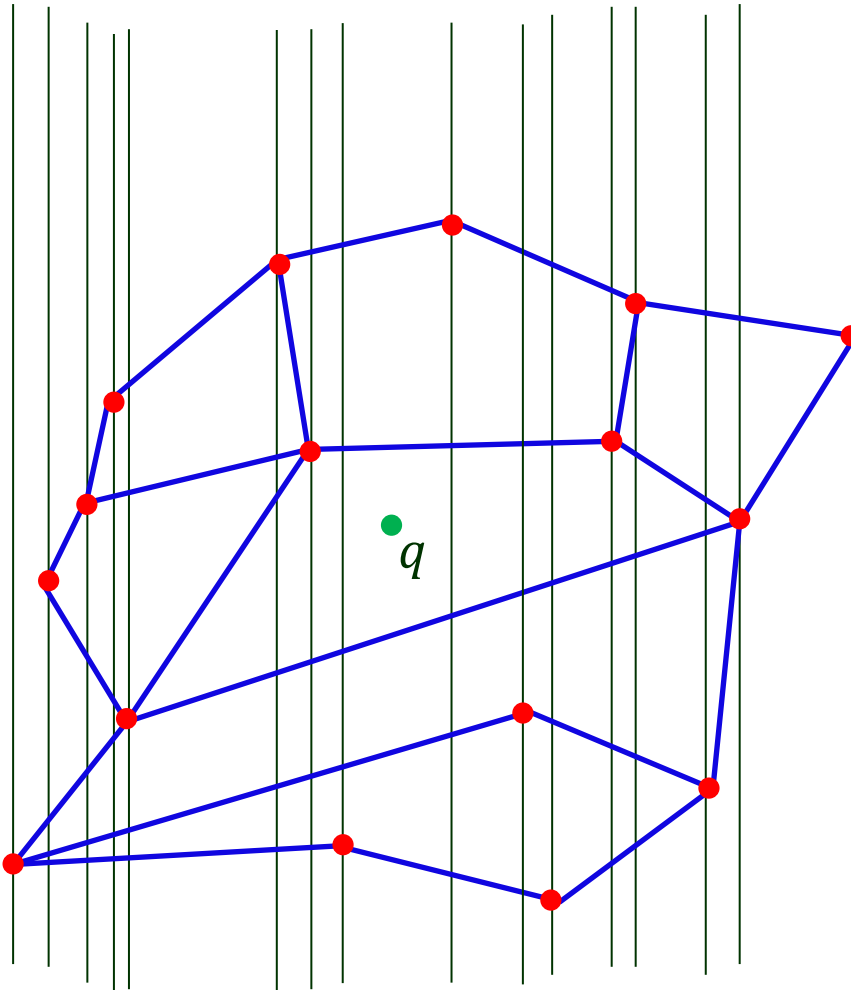
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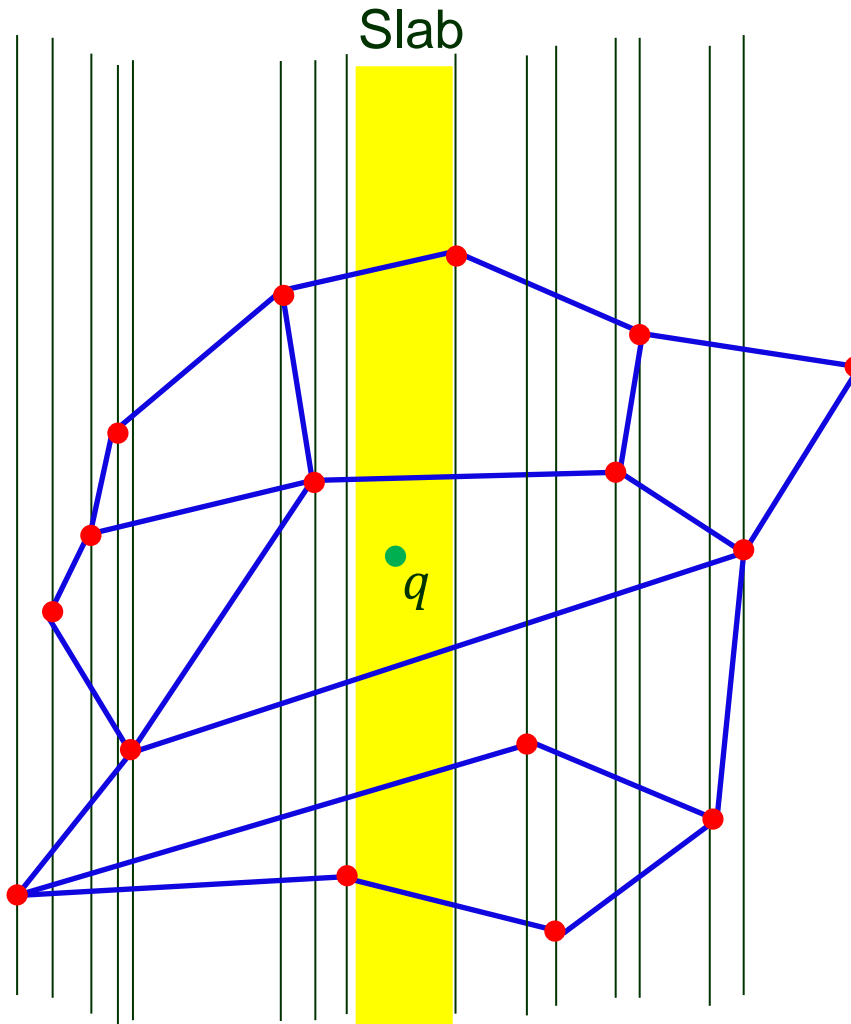
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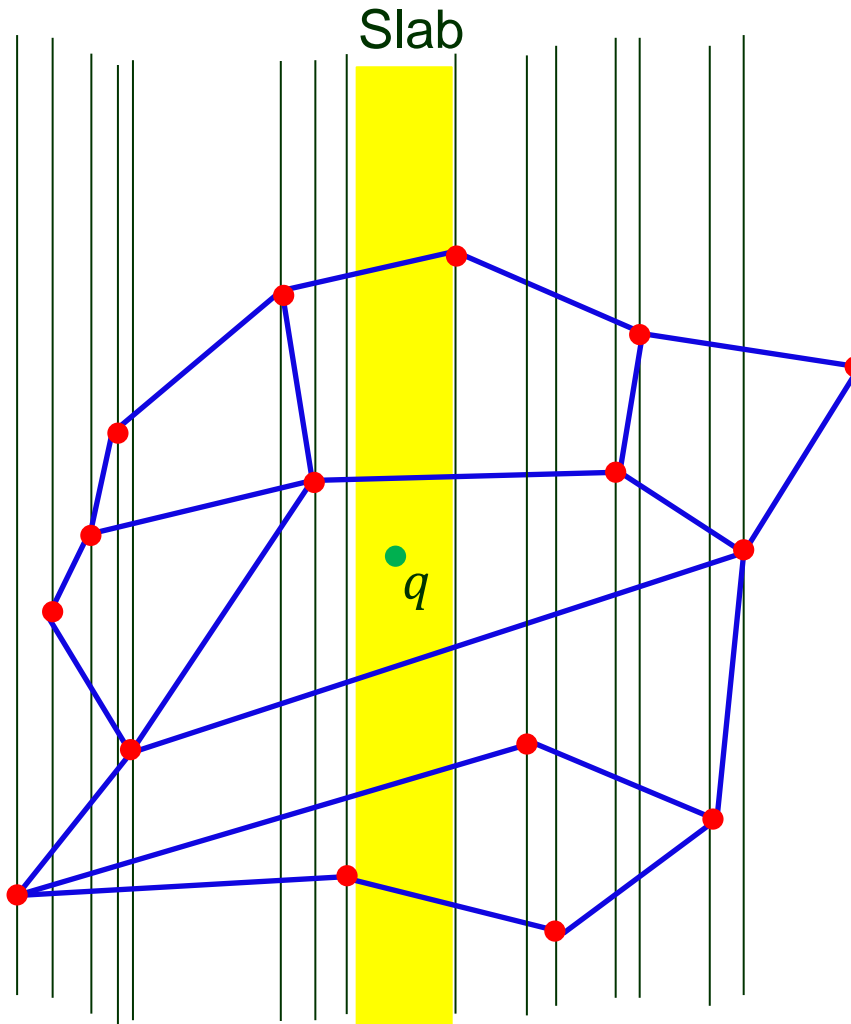
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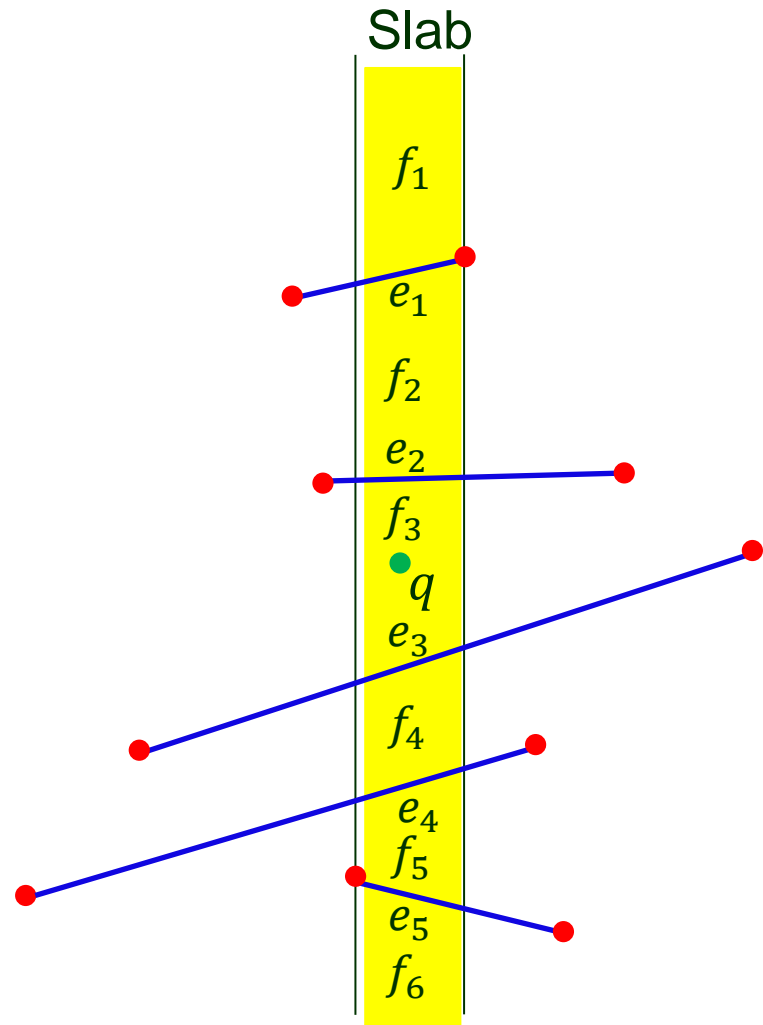


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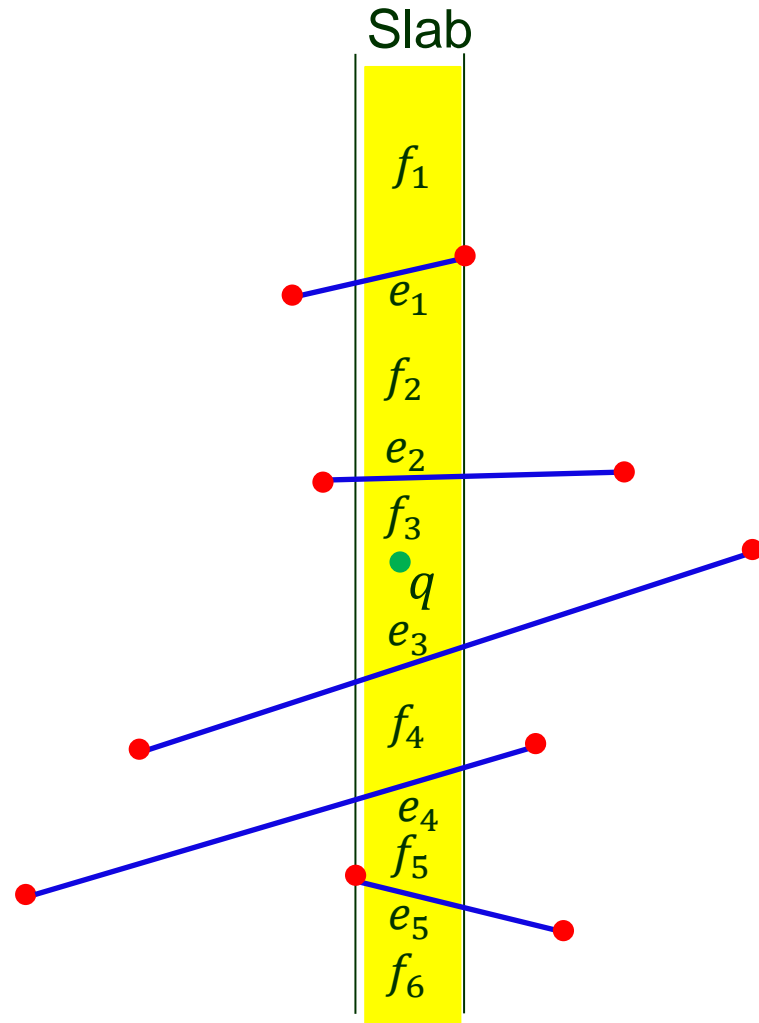




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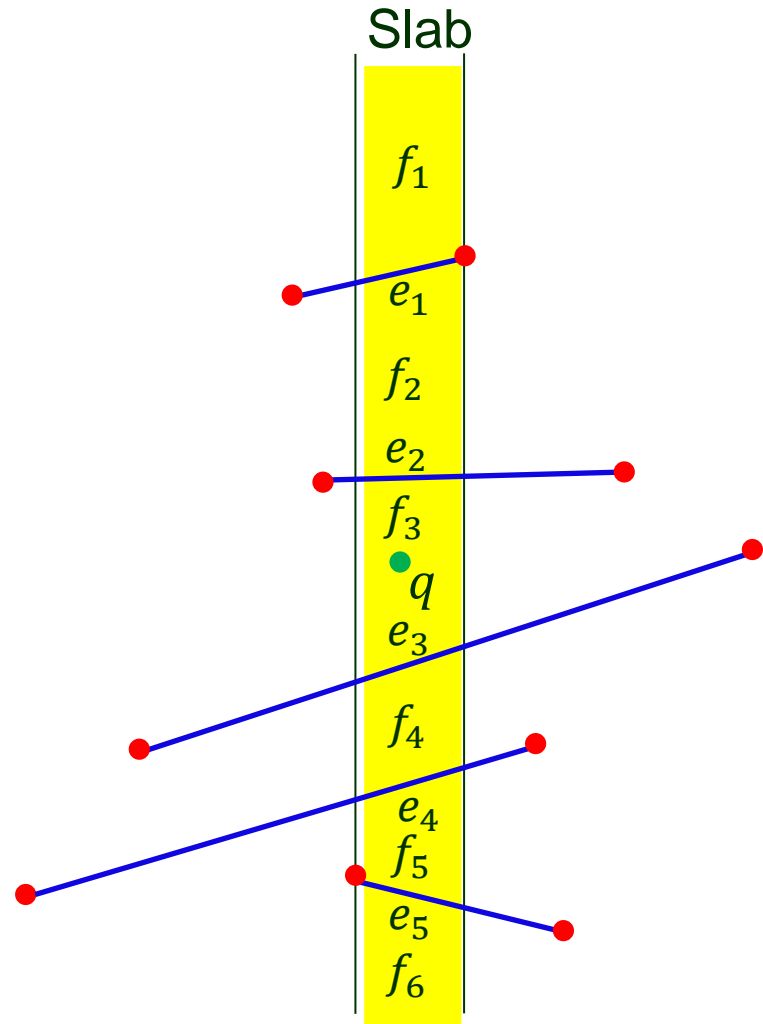
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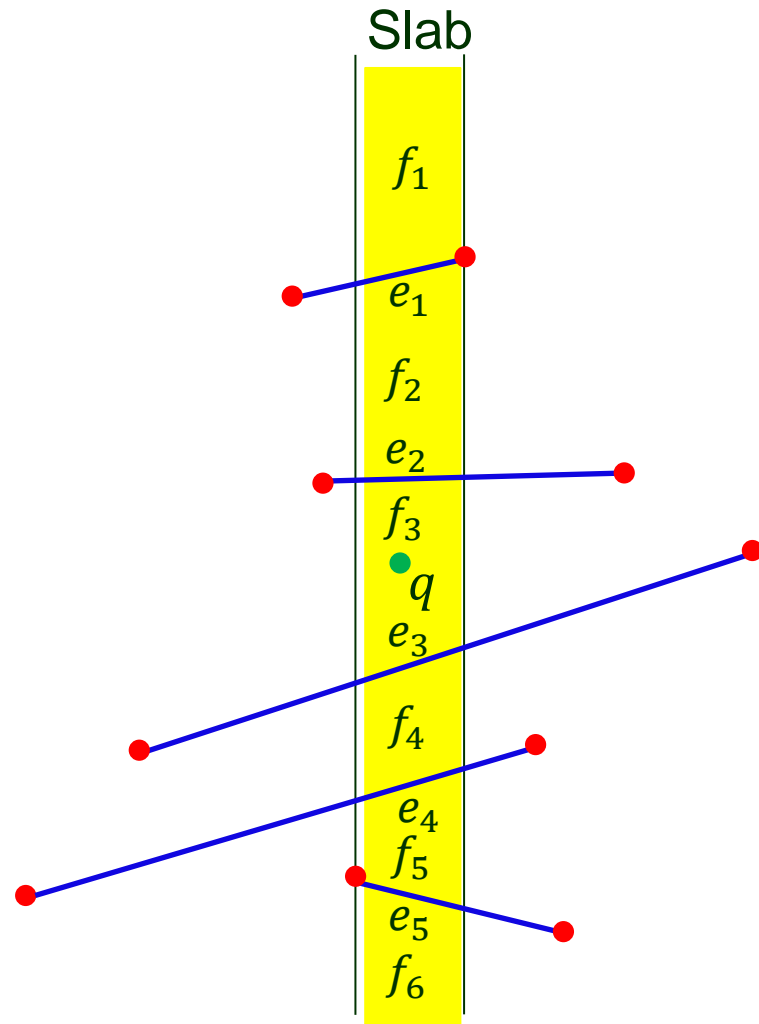
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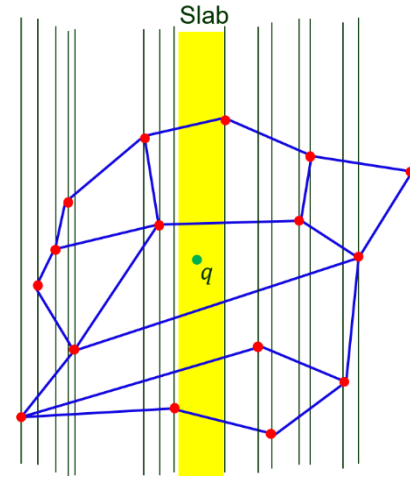


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- Edges don't cross each other.
- ◆ Order them from top to bottom.
  - Store edges intersecting a slab in sorted order (e.g., in an array).
  - Label each edge with the face immediately above.

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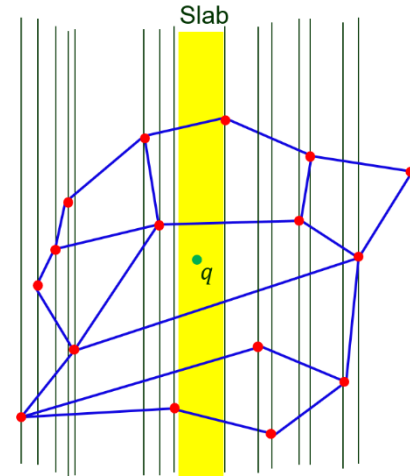
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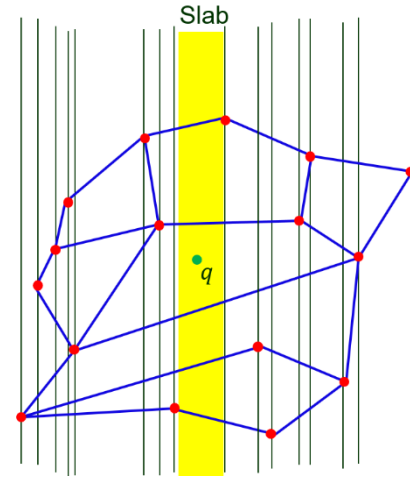
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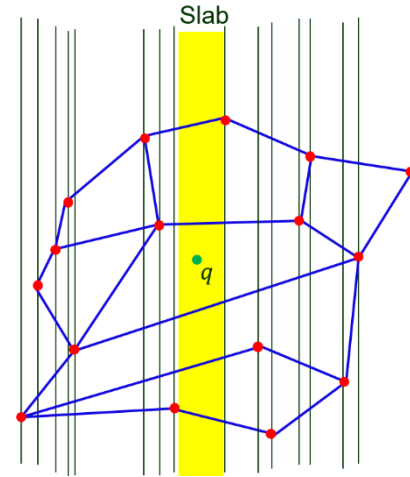


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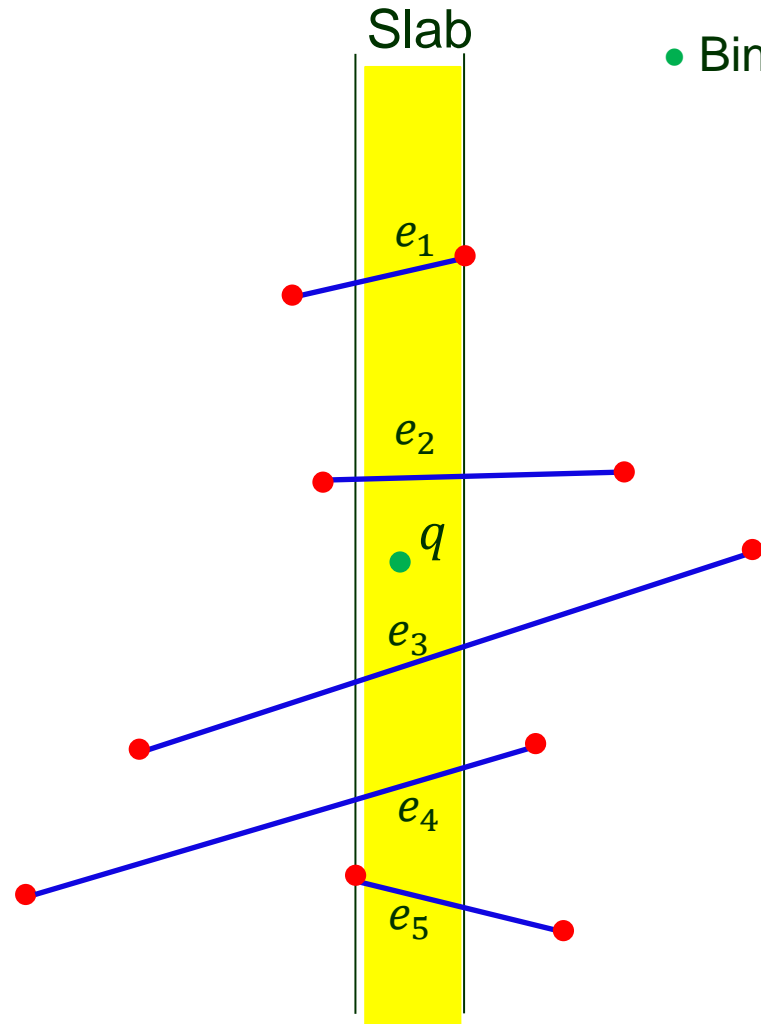
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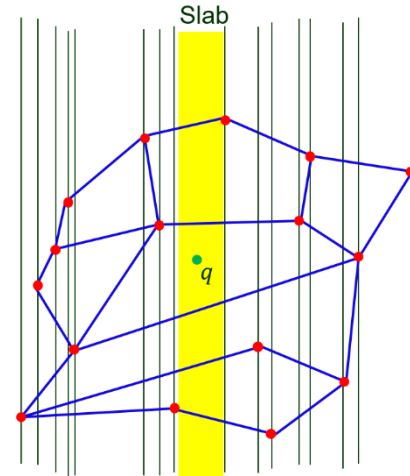


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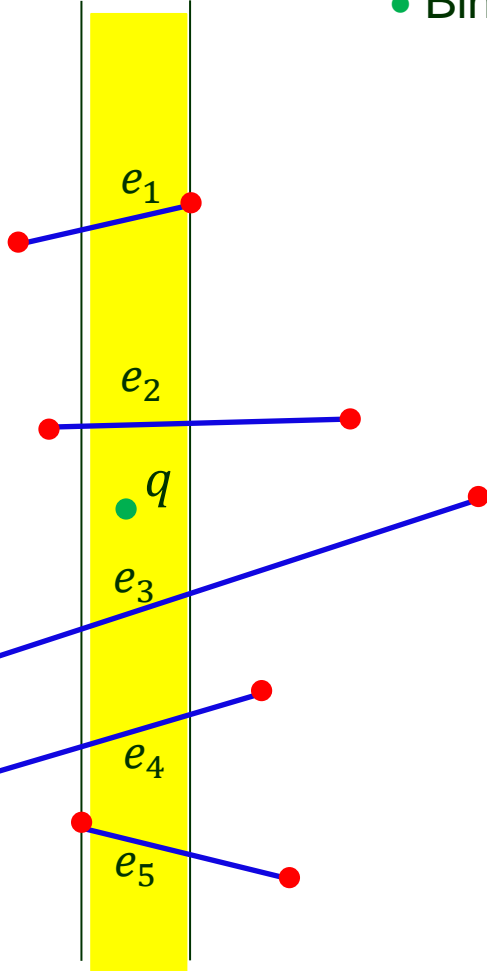
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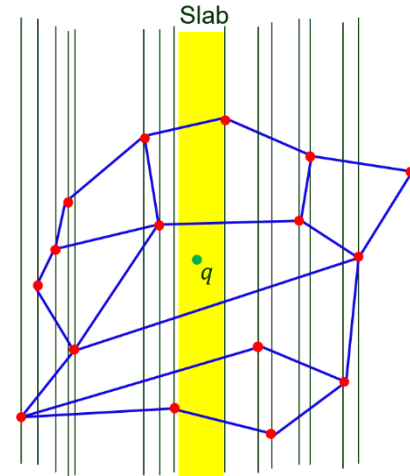


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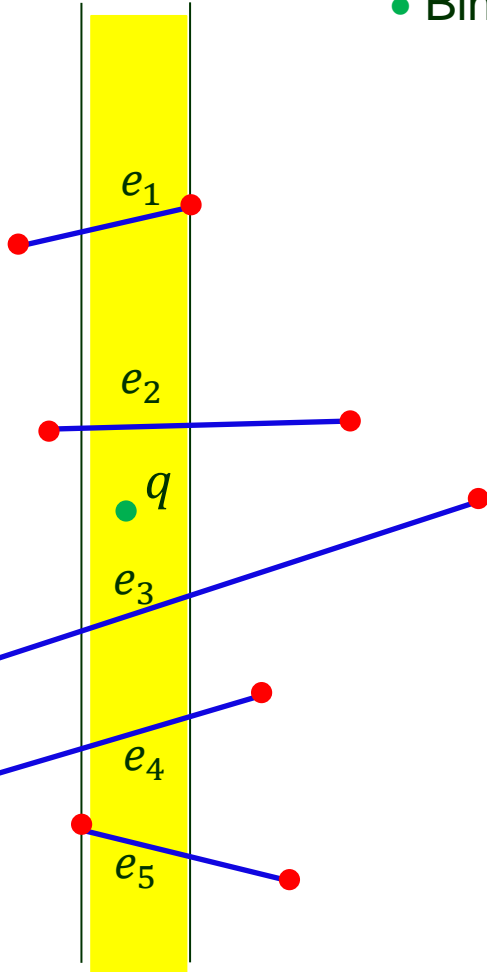
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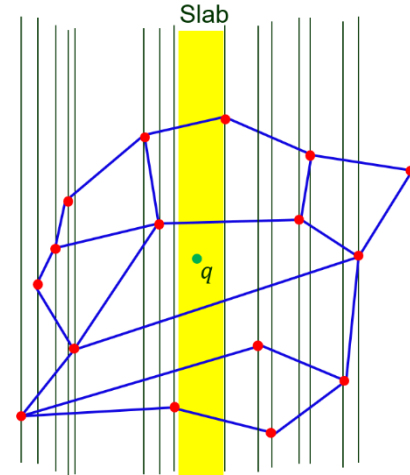
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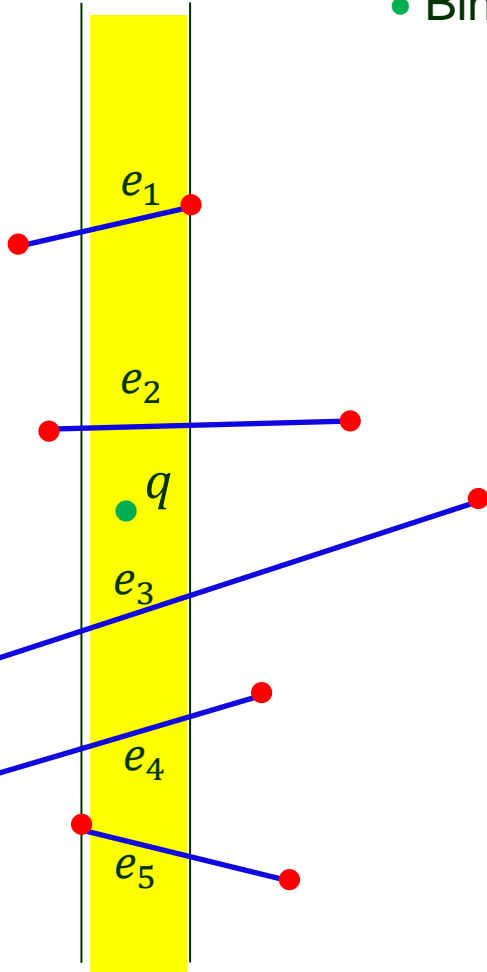
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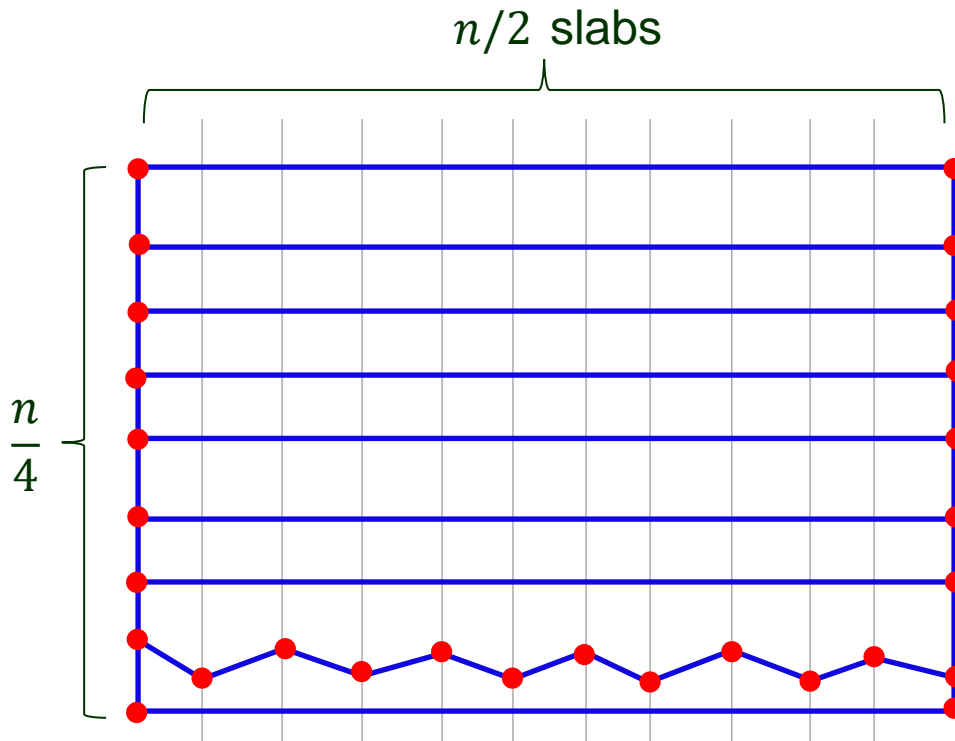
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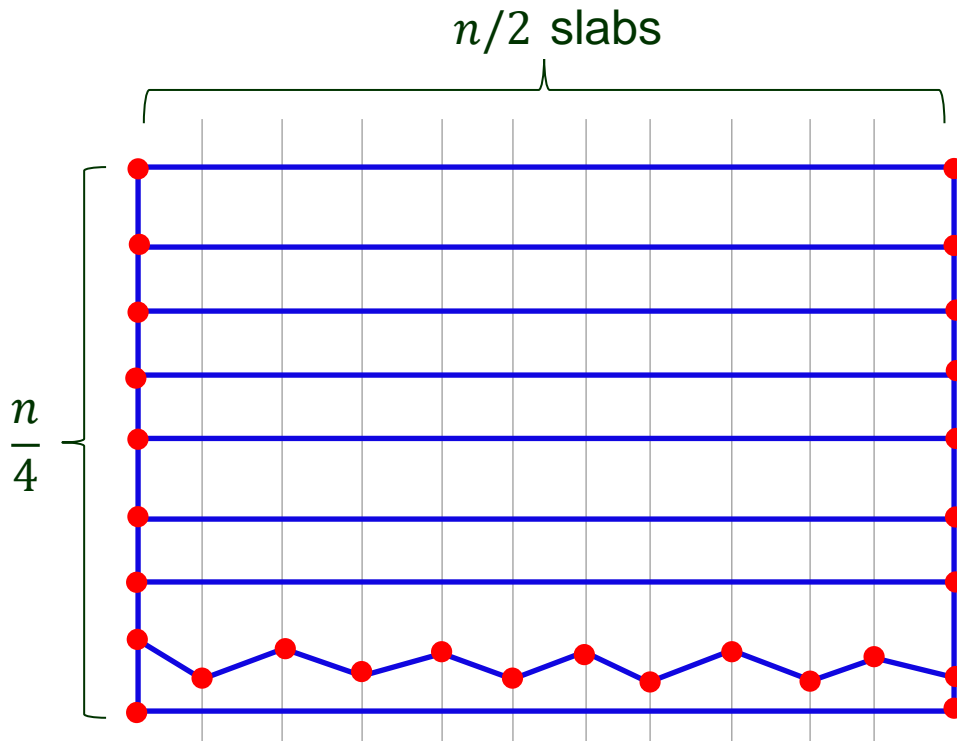
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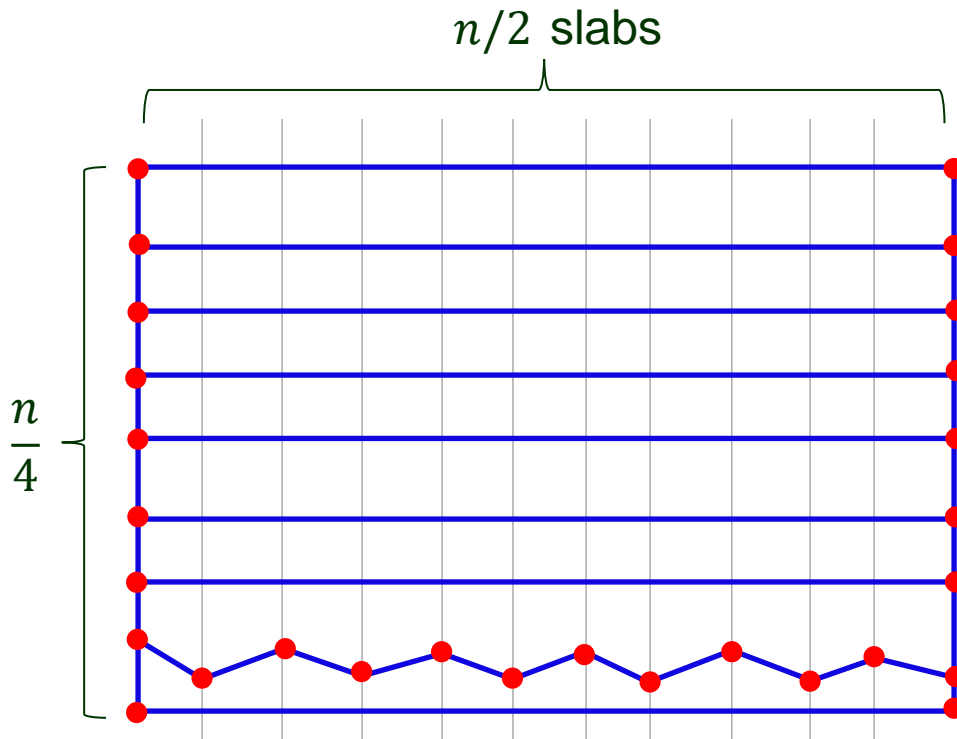


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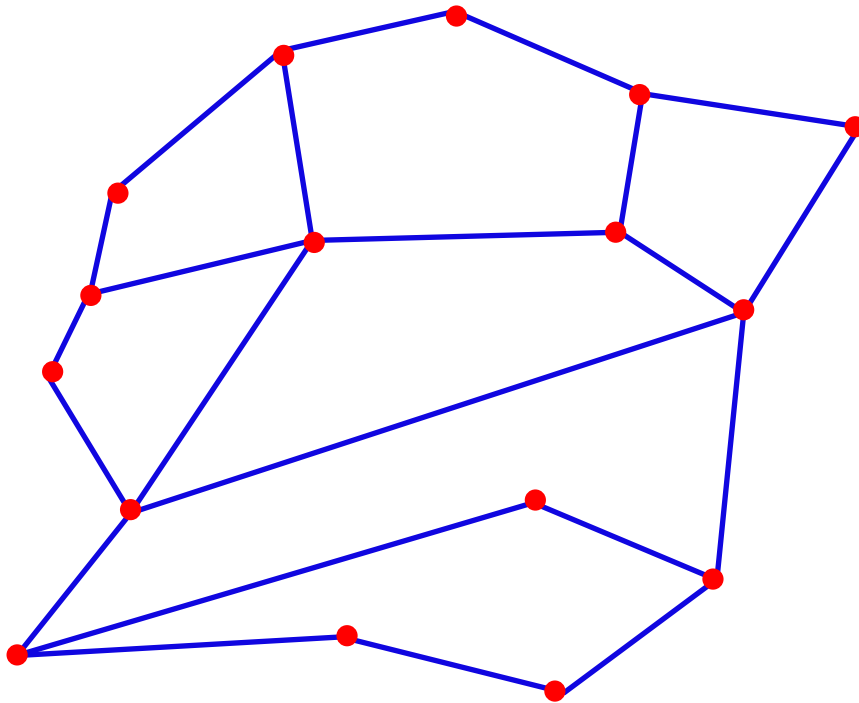
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Over-refinement of  $S$   
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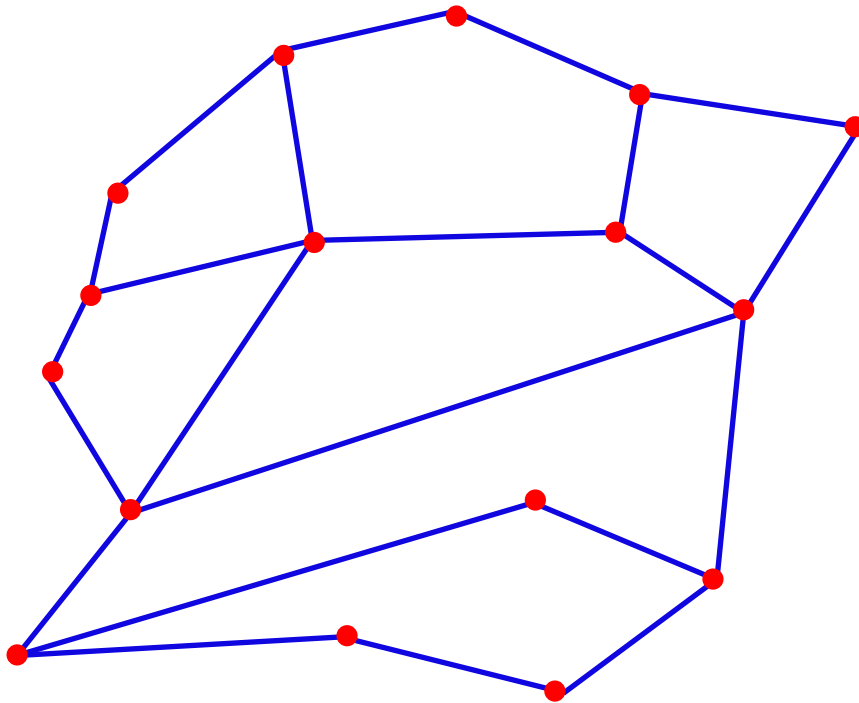


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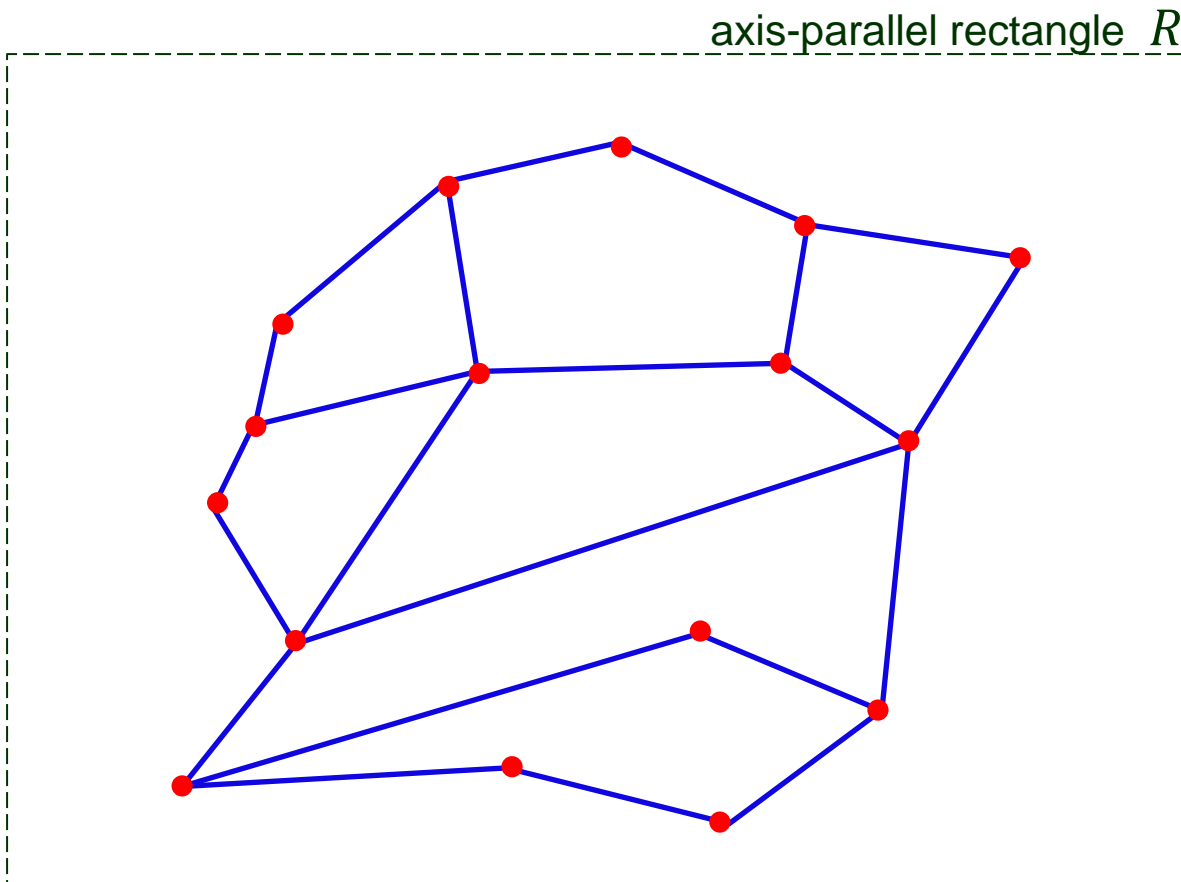
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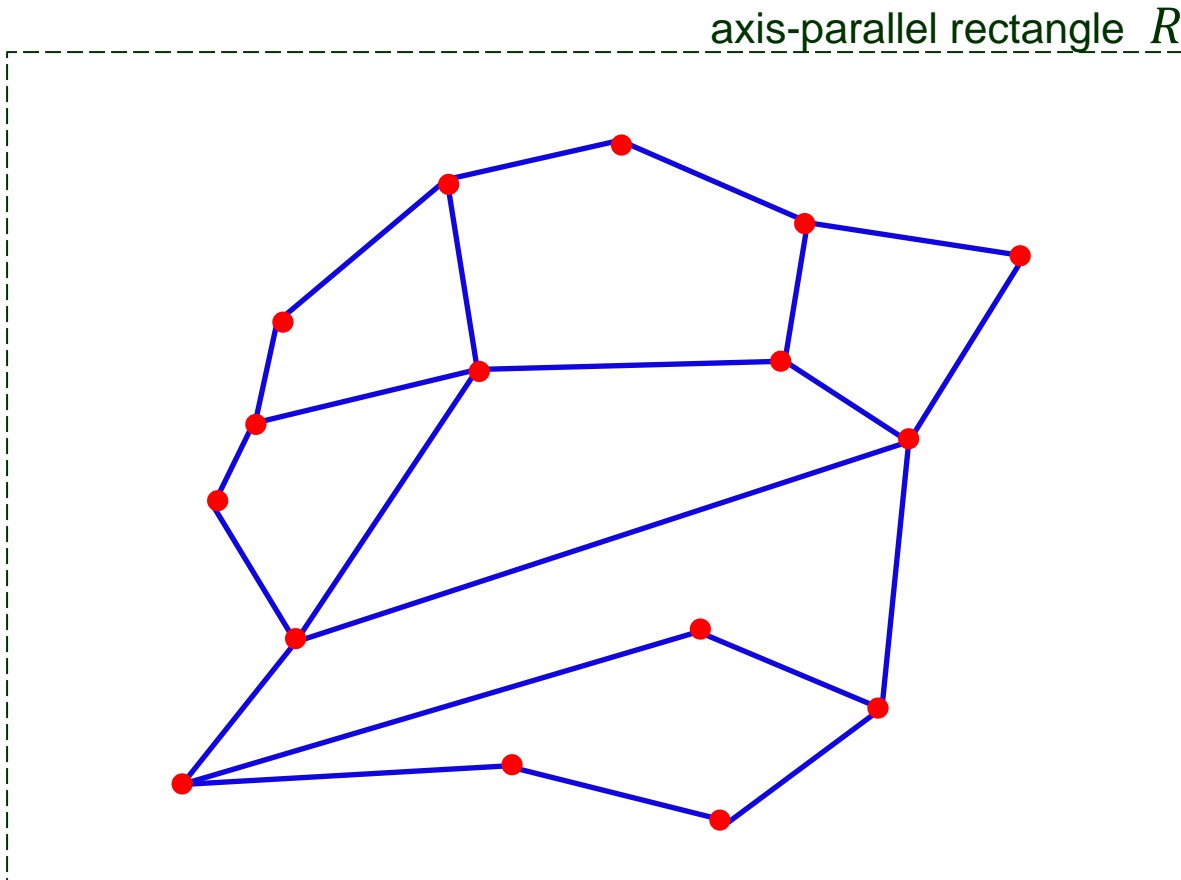


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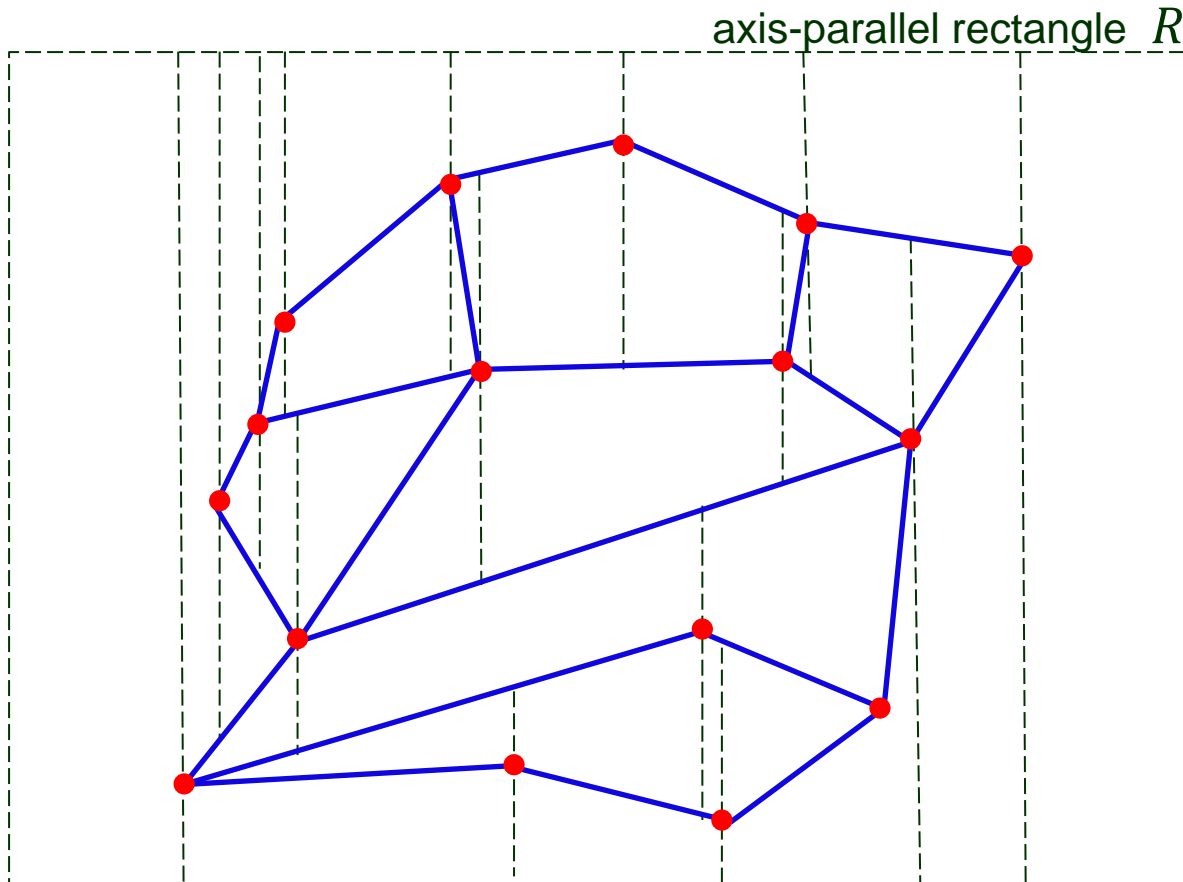


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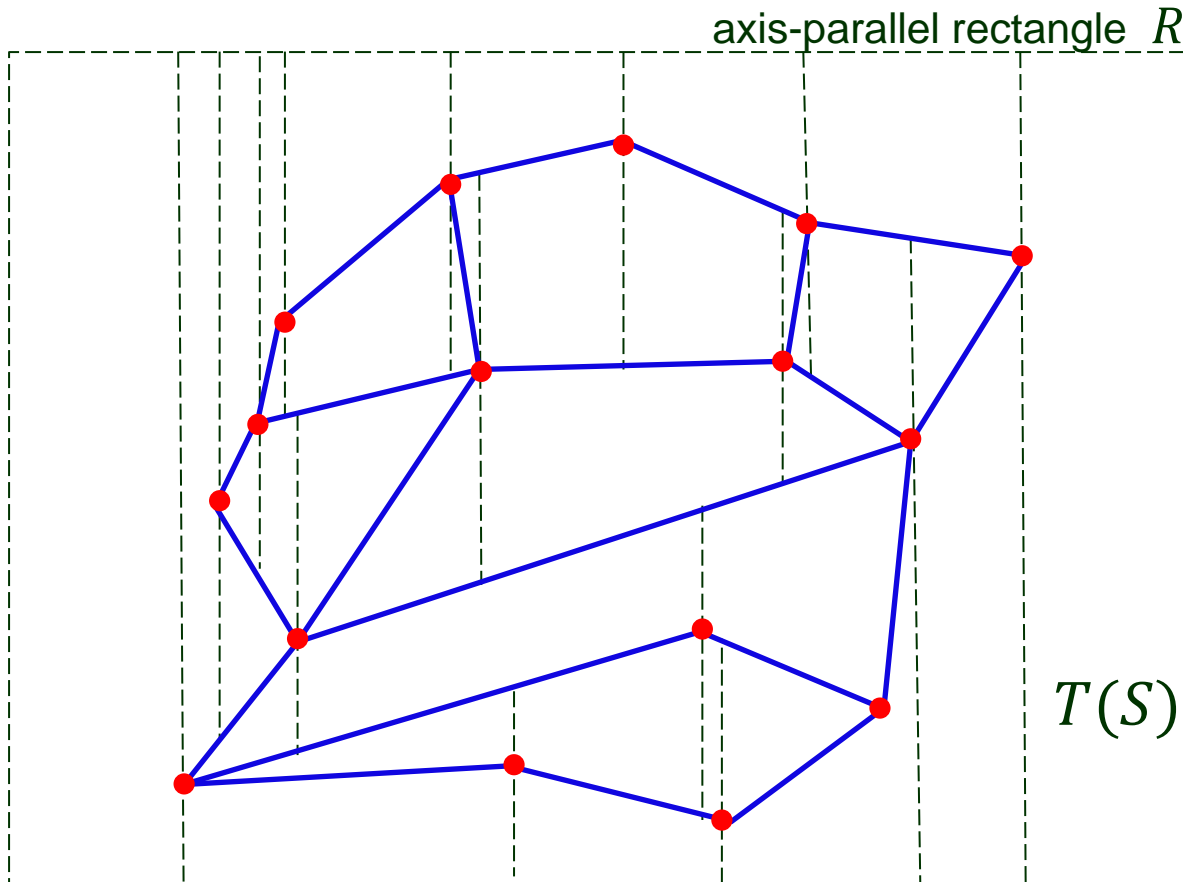


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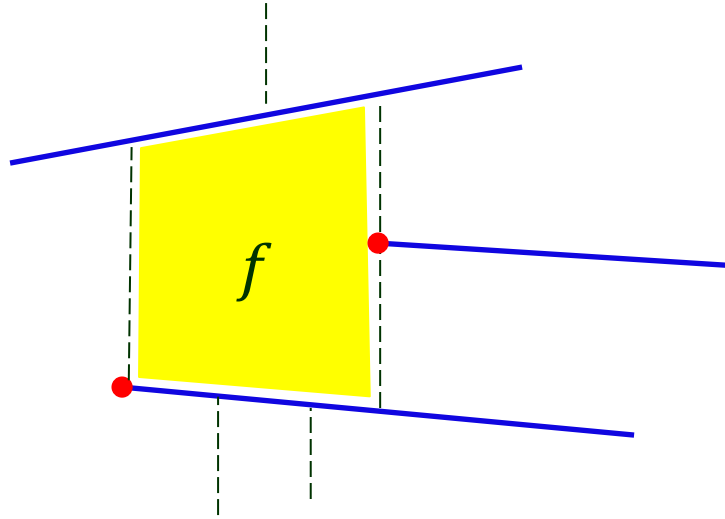
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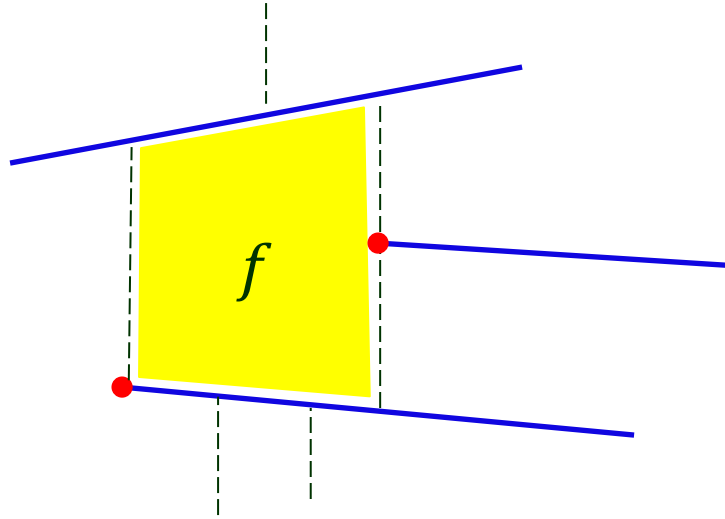


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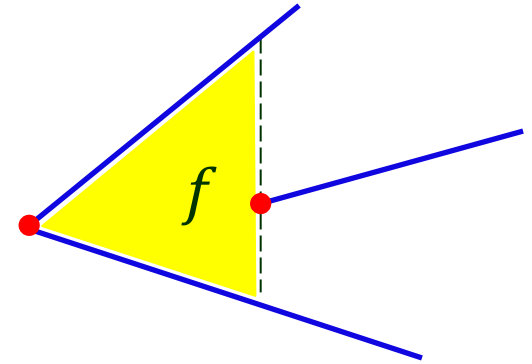


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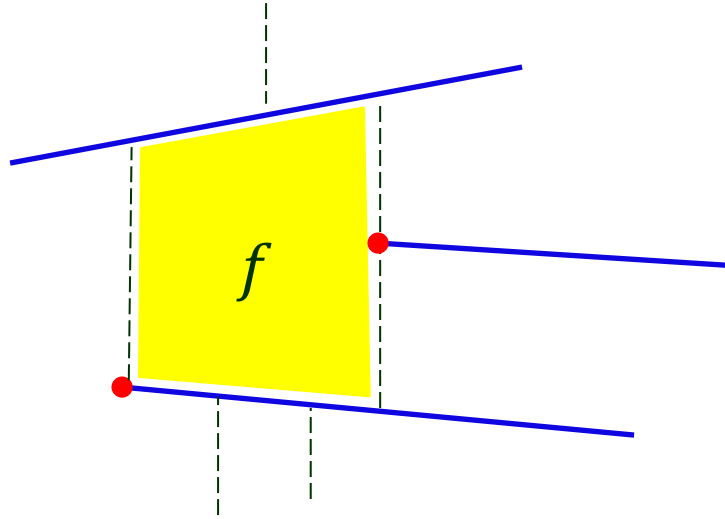


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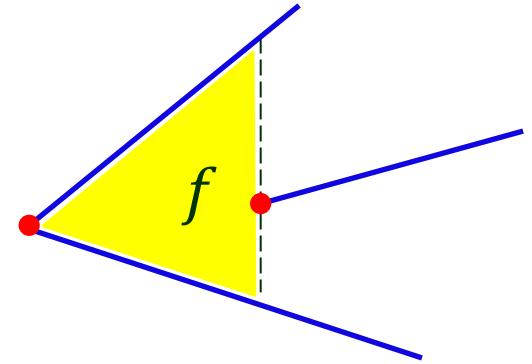


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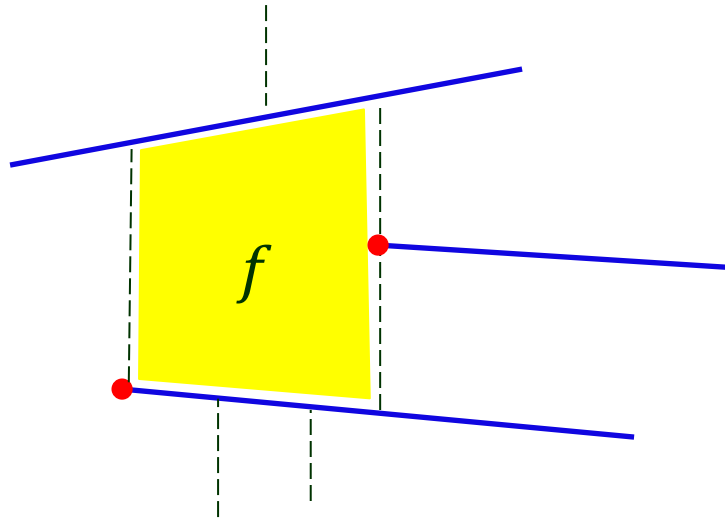
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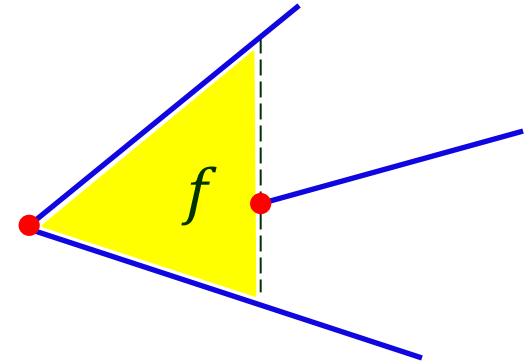
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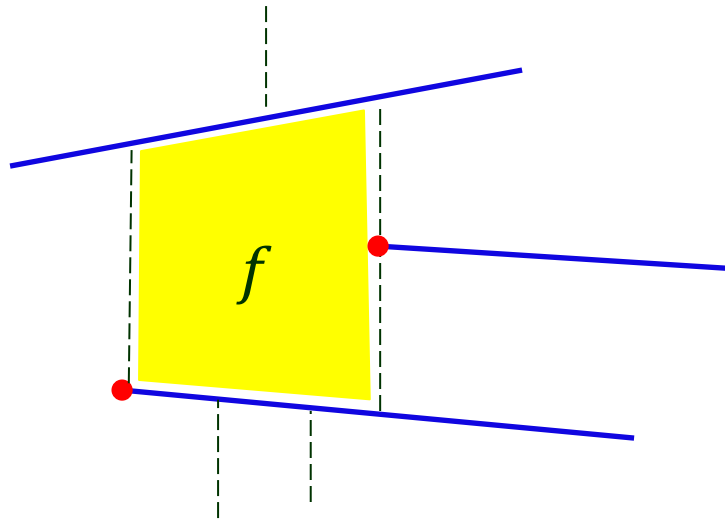
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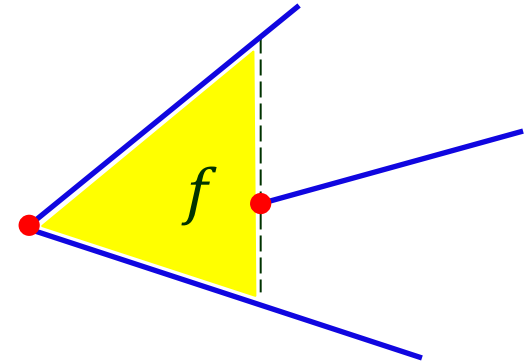
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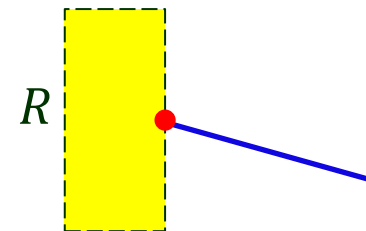


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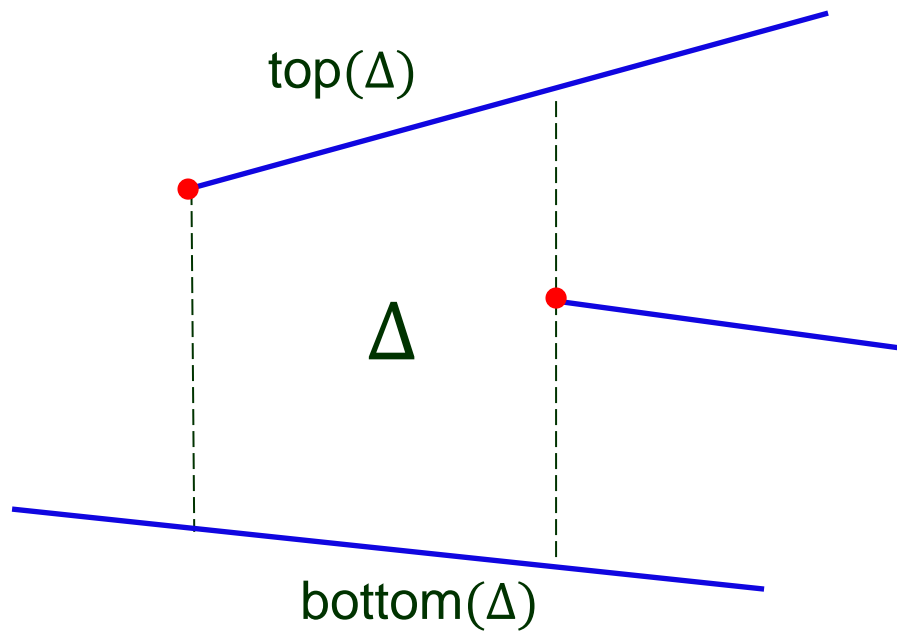
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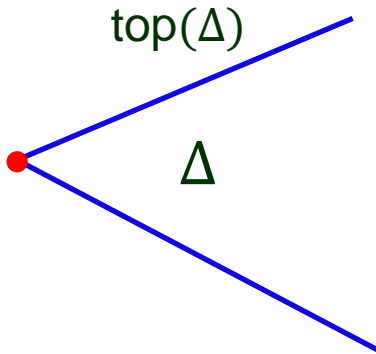
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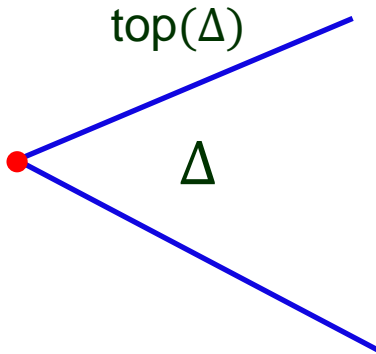
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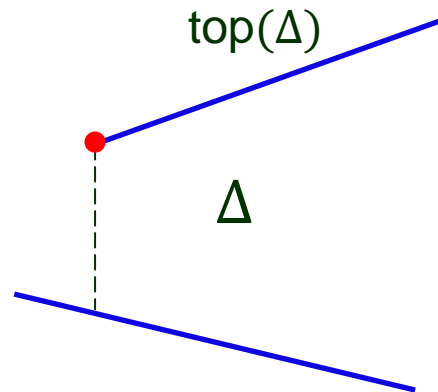
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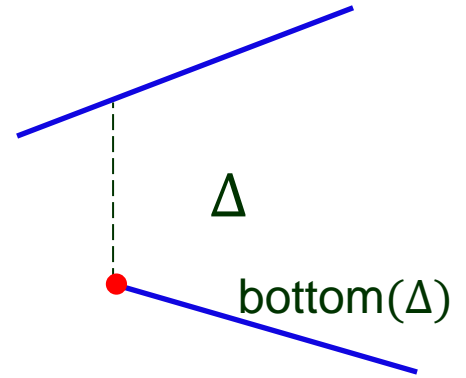
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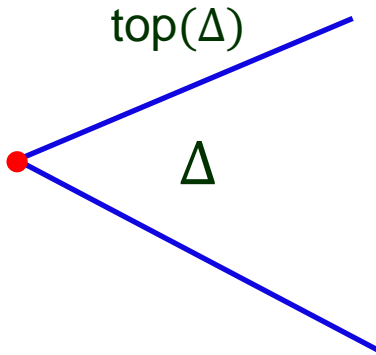
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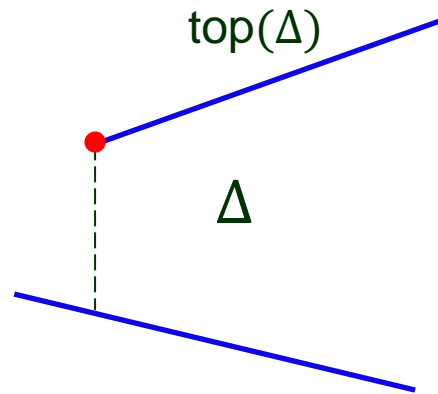
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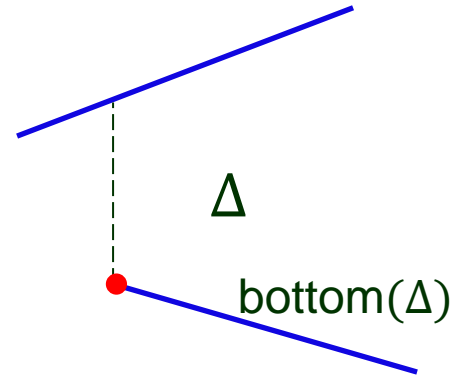
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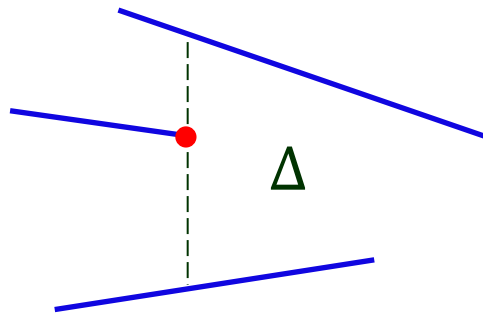
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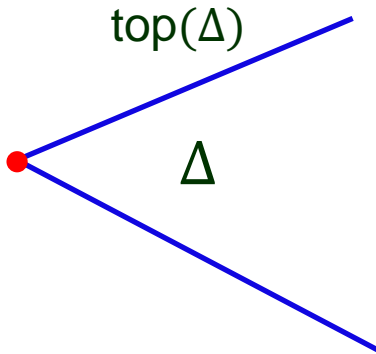


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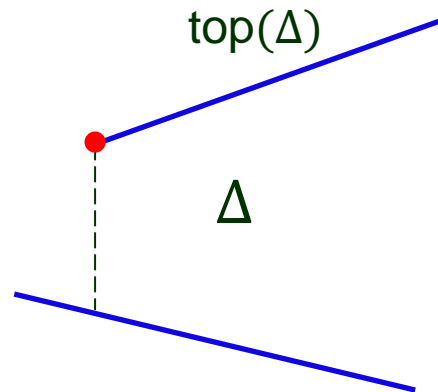


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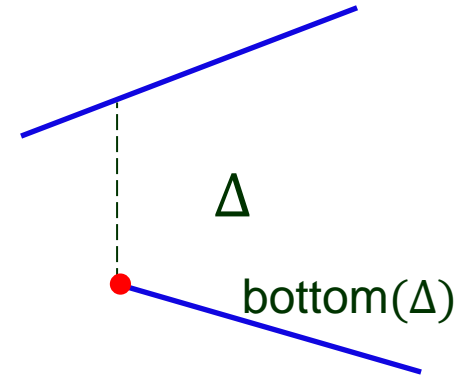
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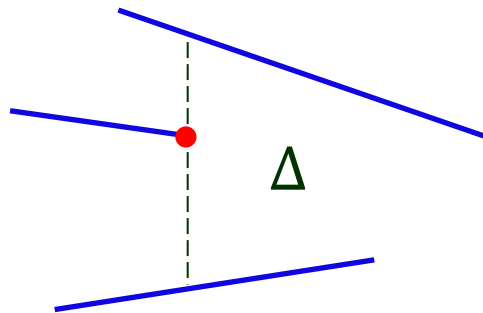
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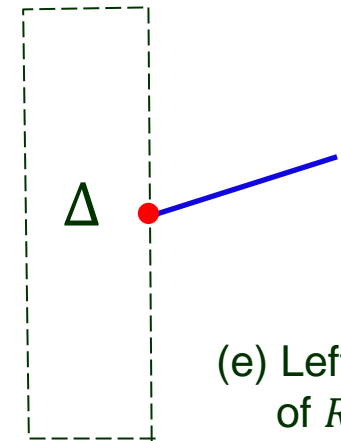
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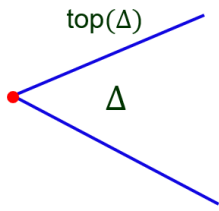


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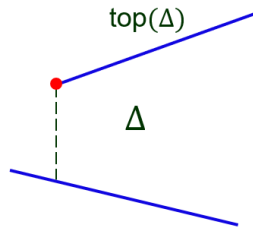


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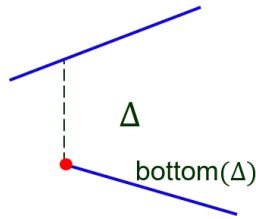
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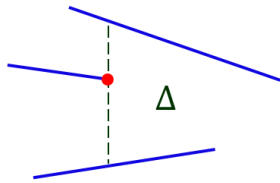
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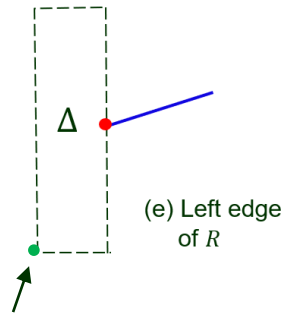
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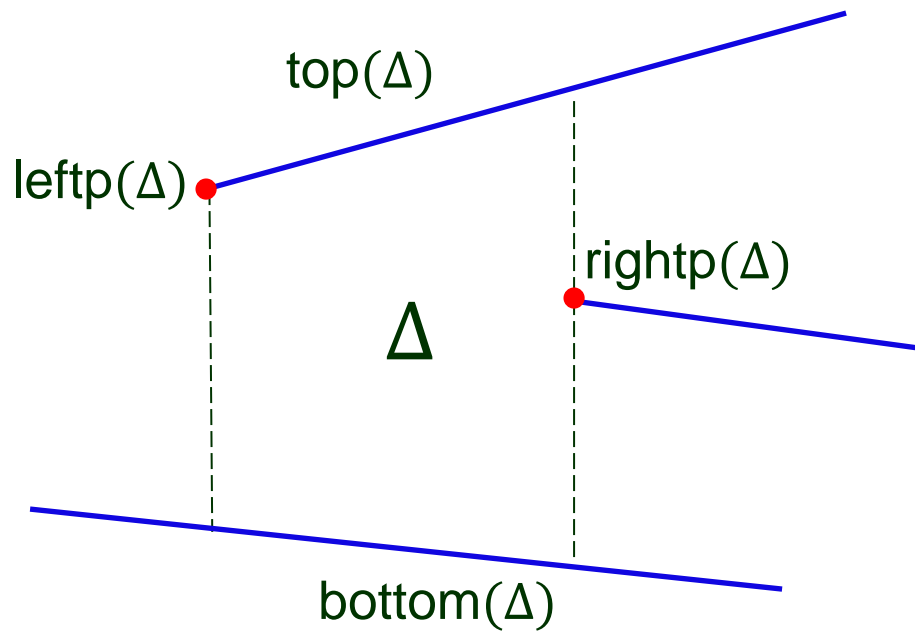
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$\text{rightp}(\Delta)$  can be similarly defined.

# Face Description

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A trapezoid is uniquely determined.



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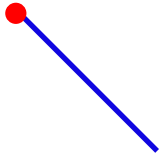
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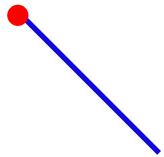
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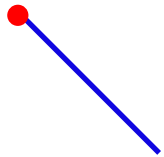
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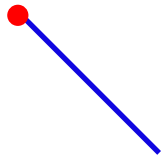
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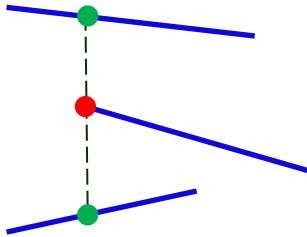
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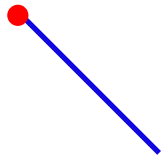
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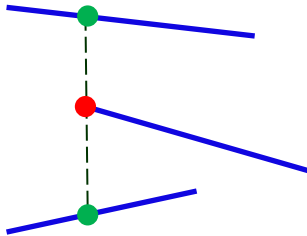
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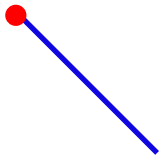
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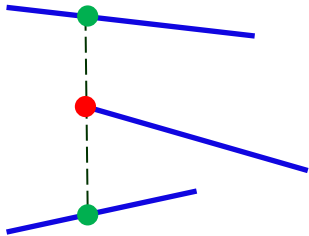
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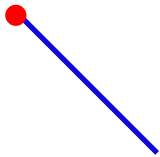
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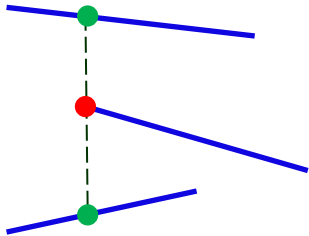
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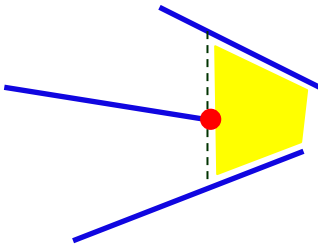
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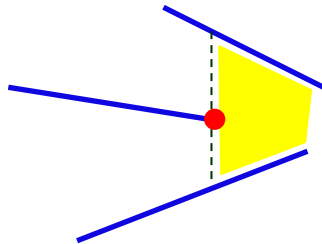
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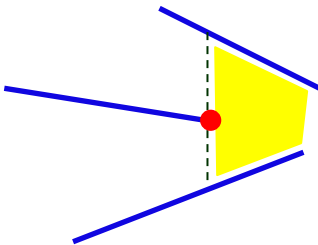
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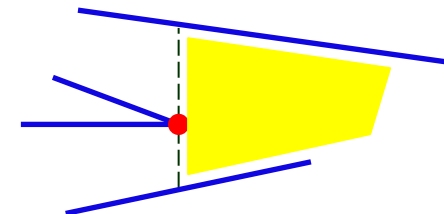
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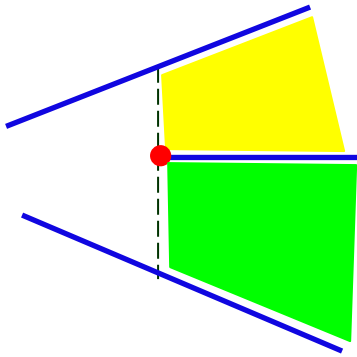
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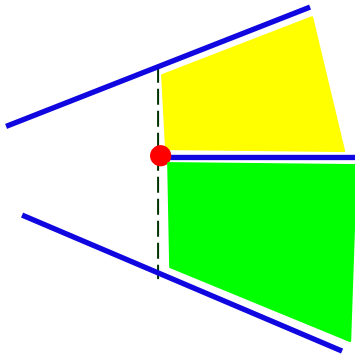


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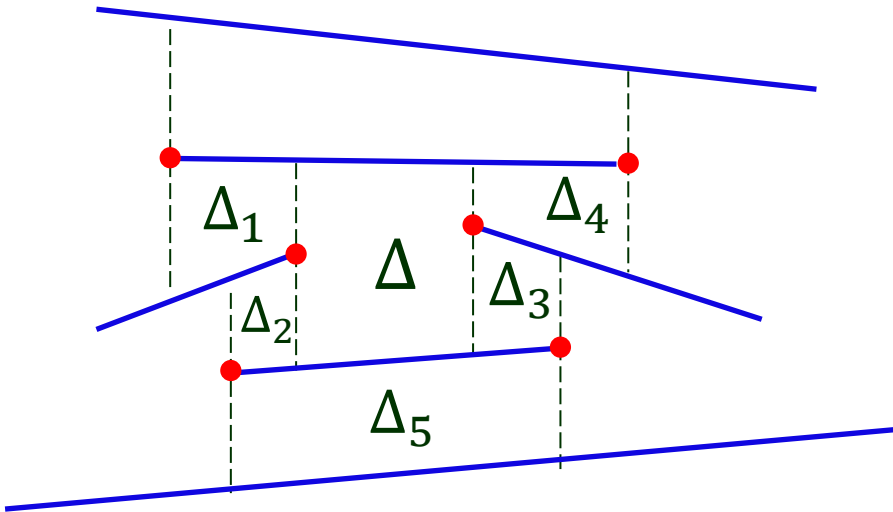
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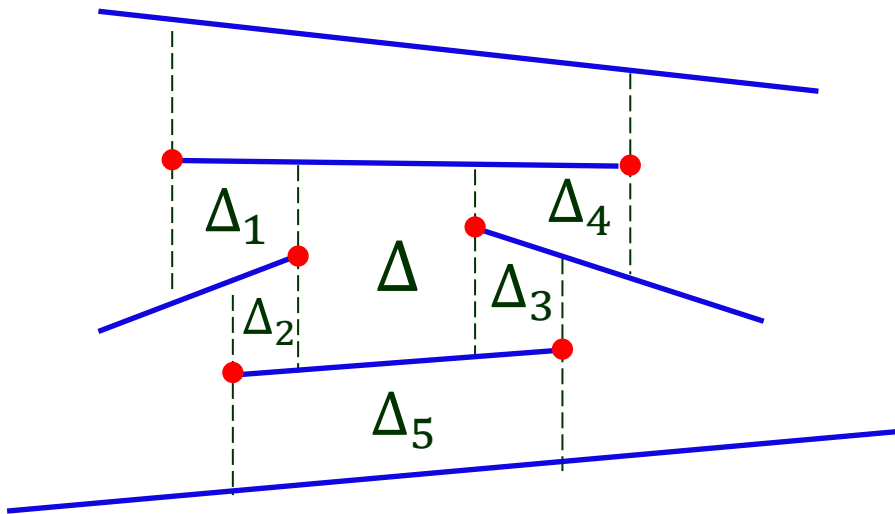
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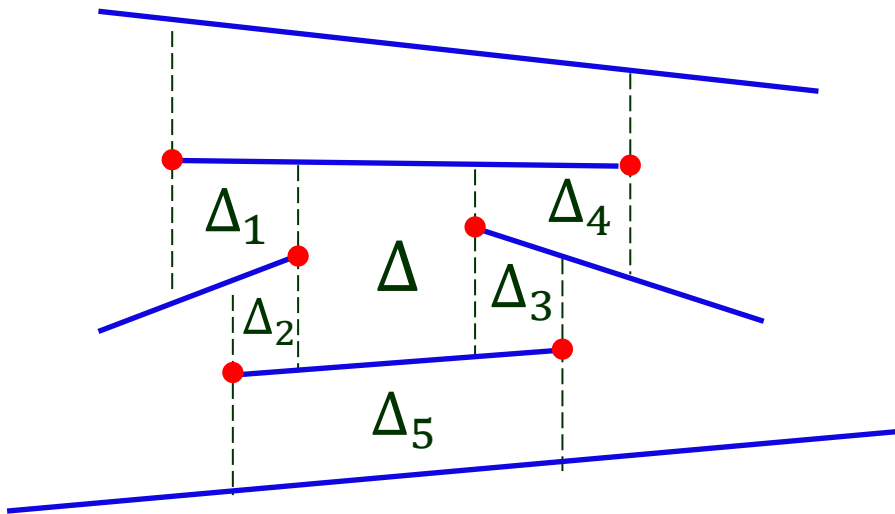
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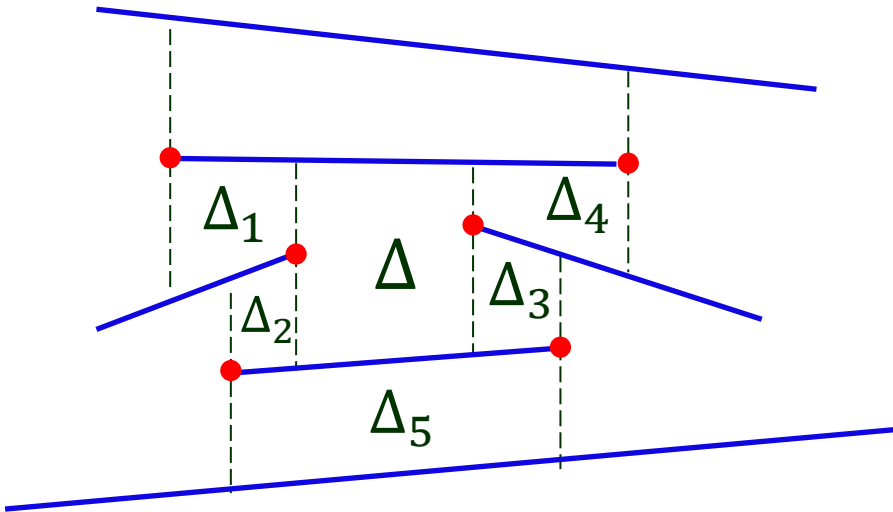
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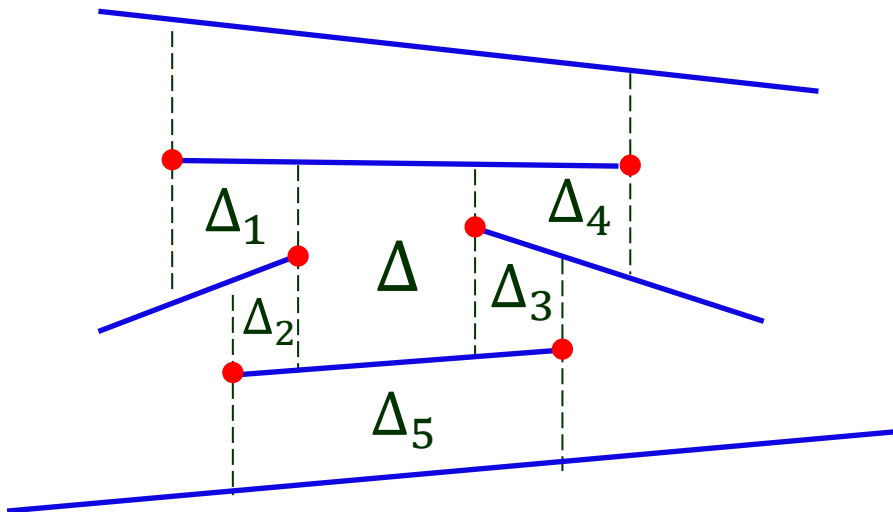
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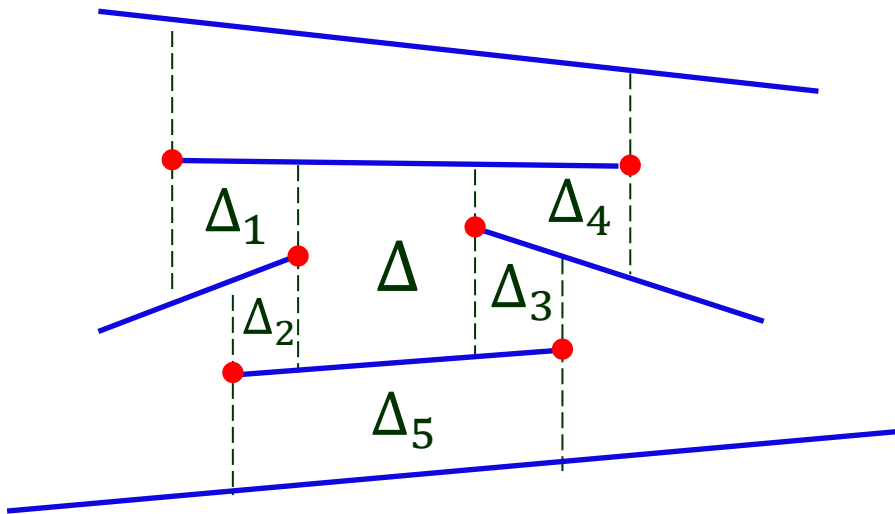
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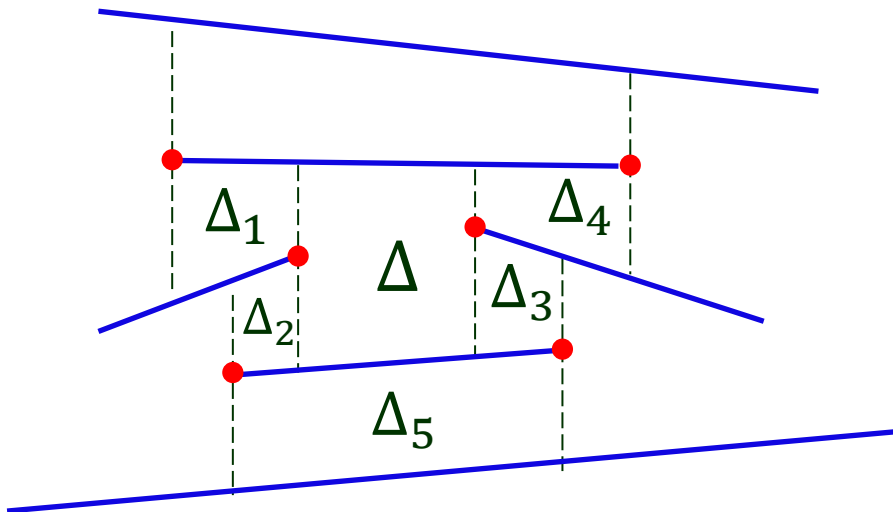
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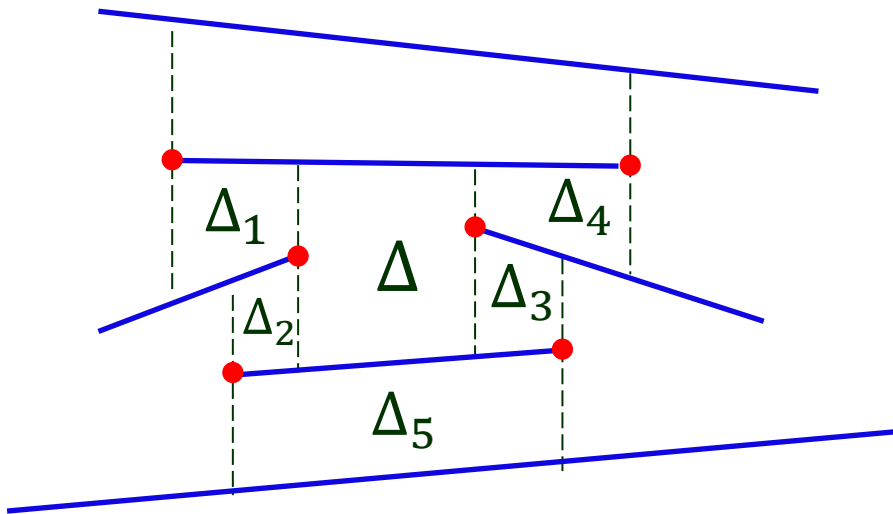


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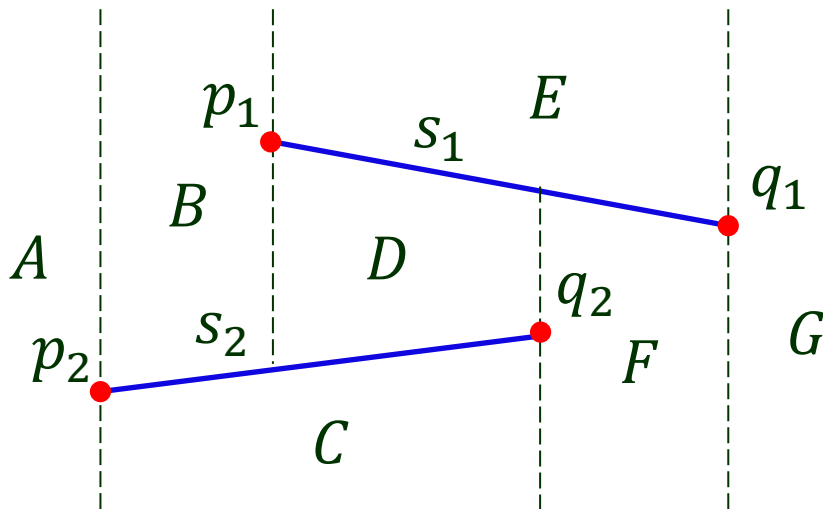


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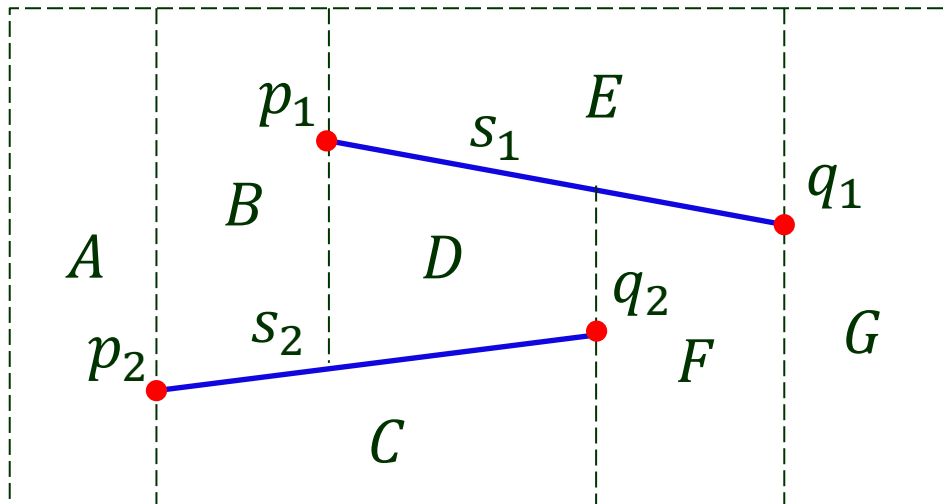


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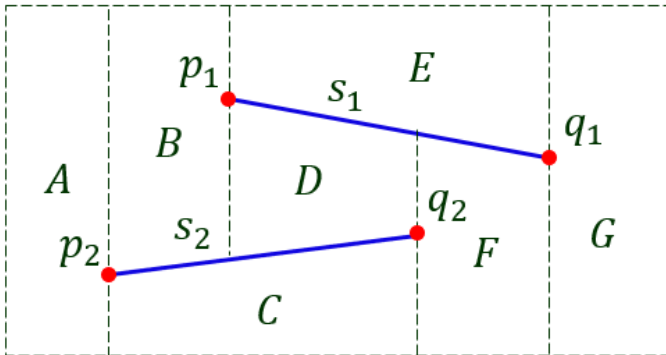
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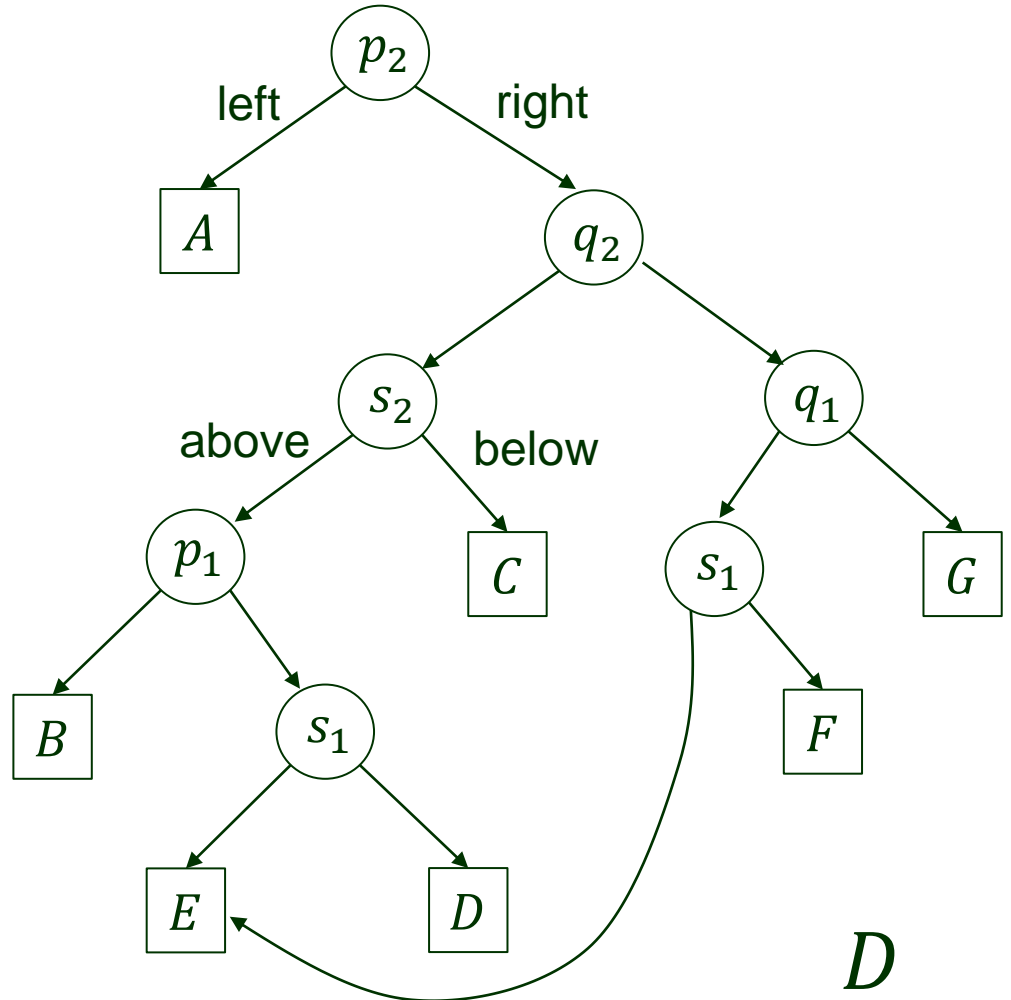
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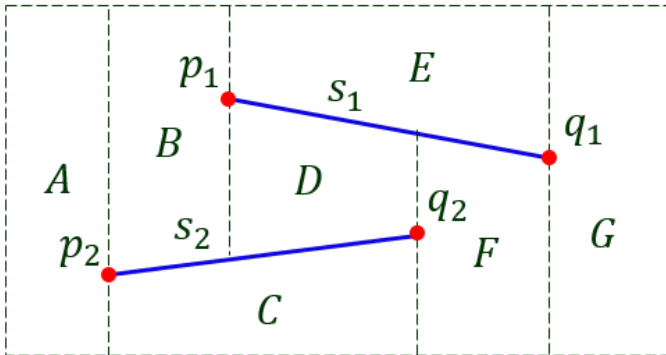
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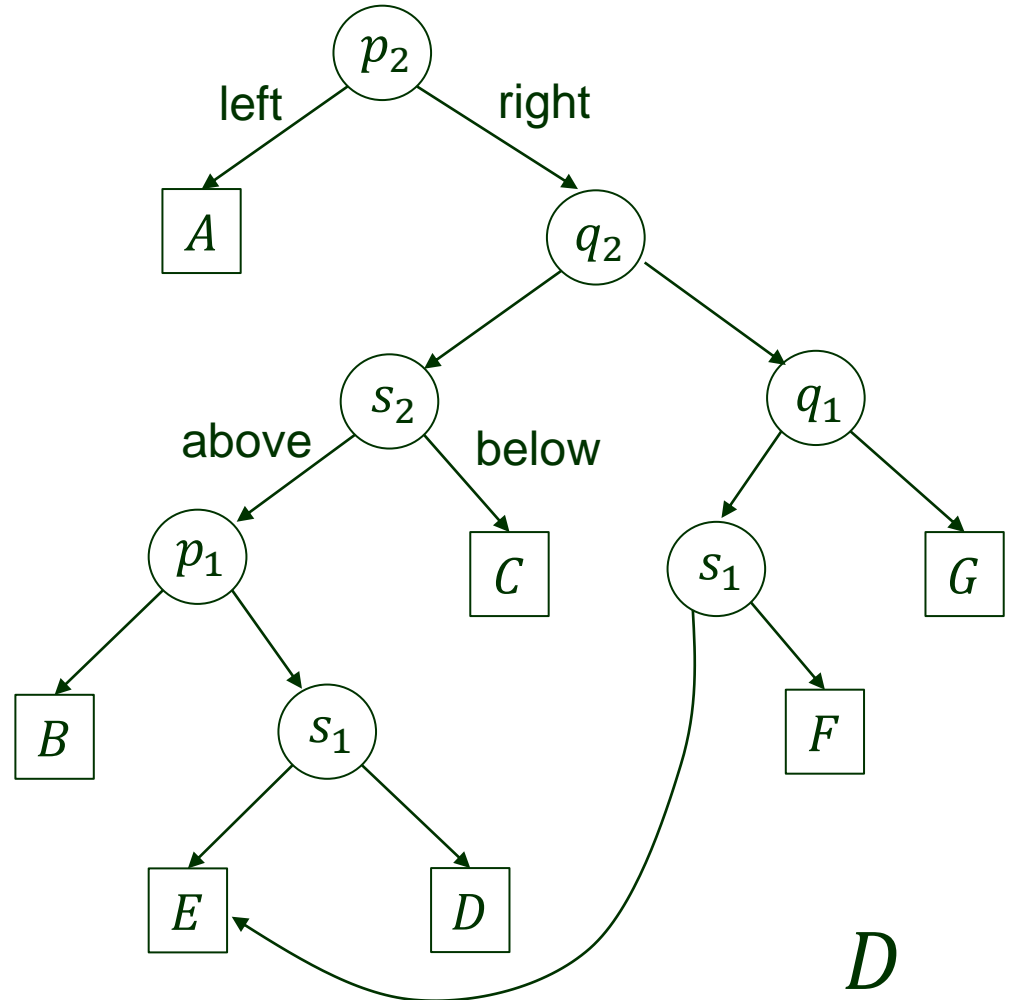
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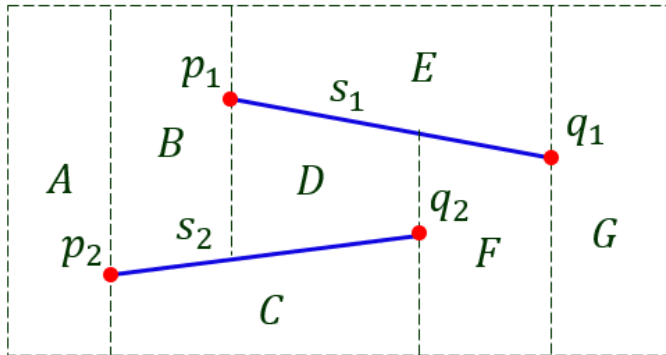
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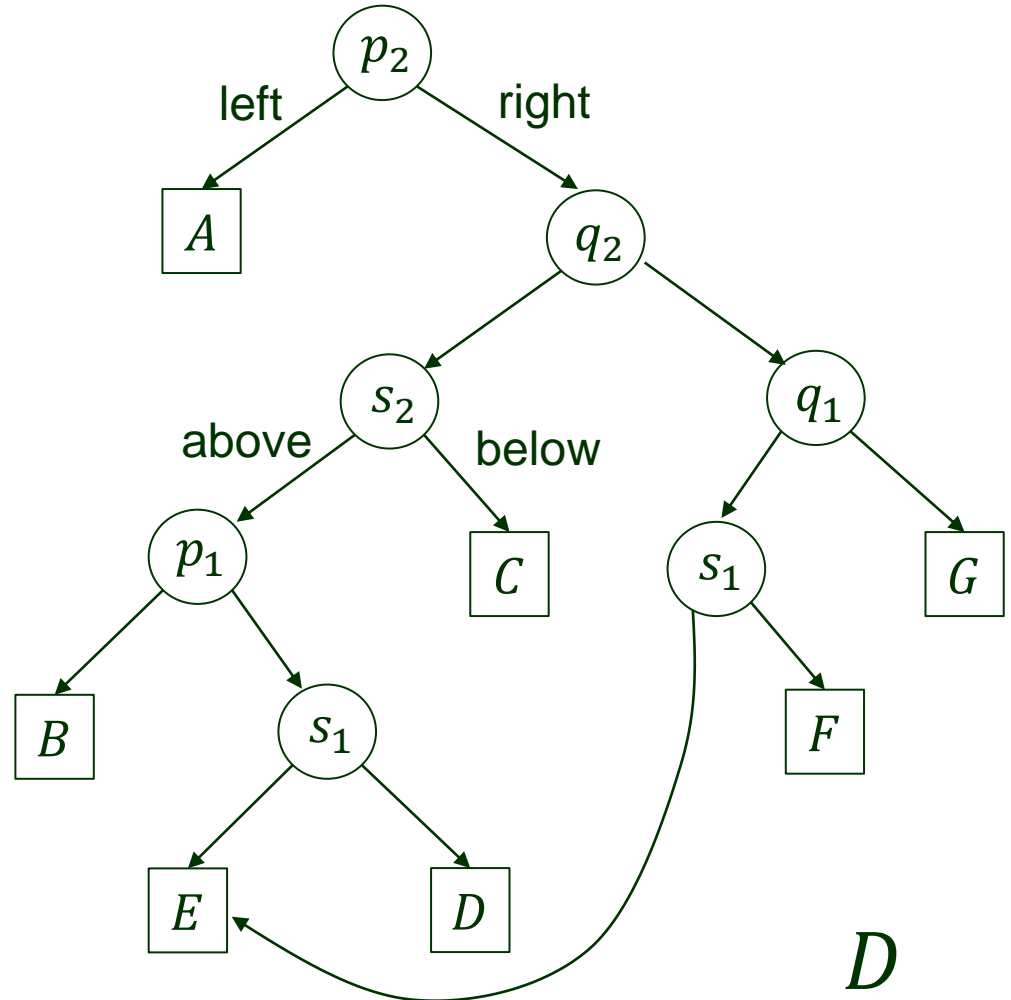
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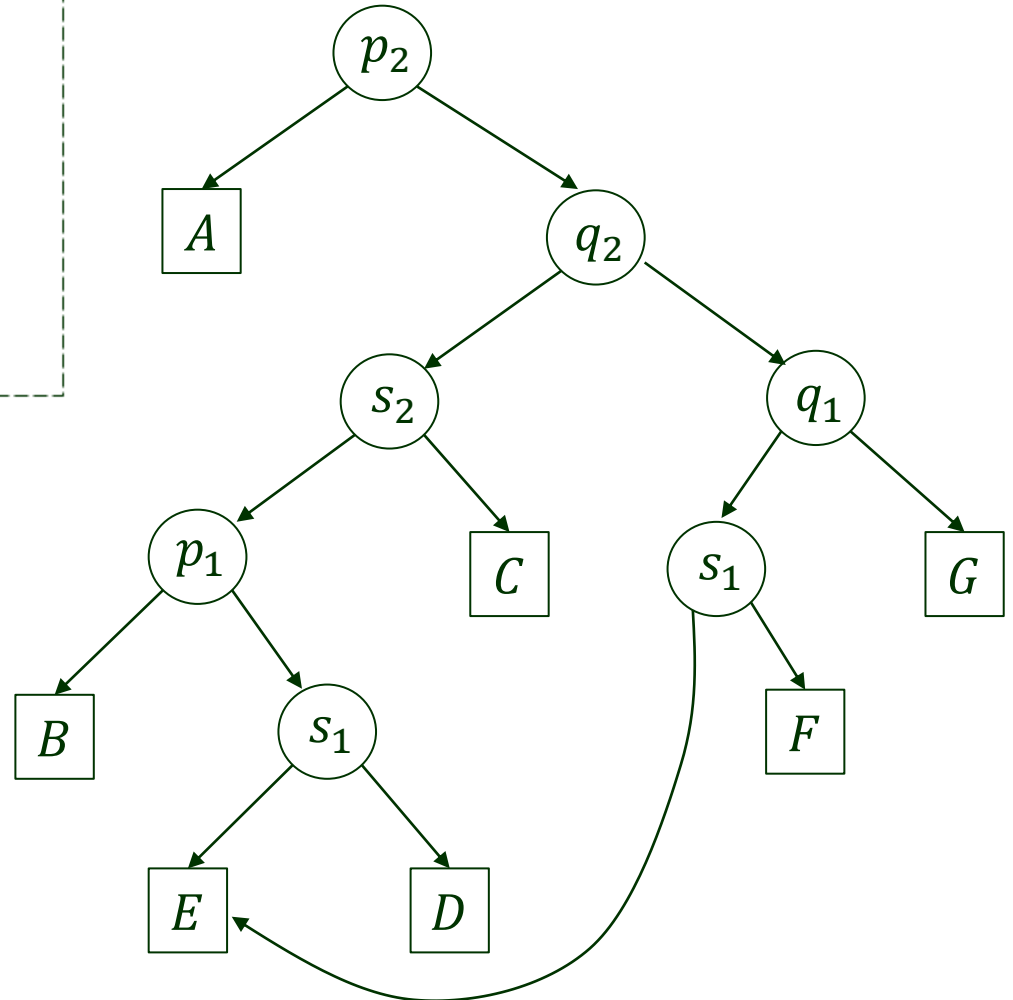
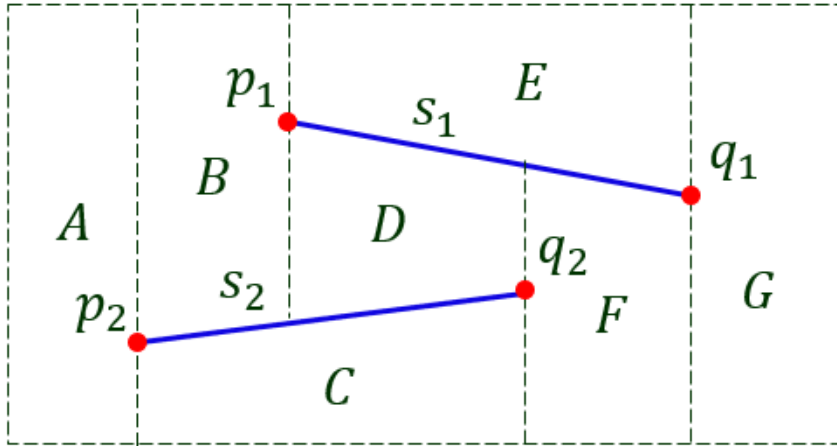
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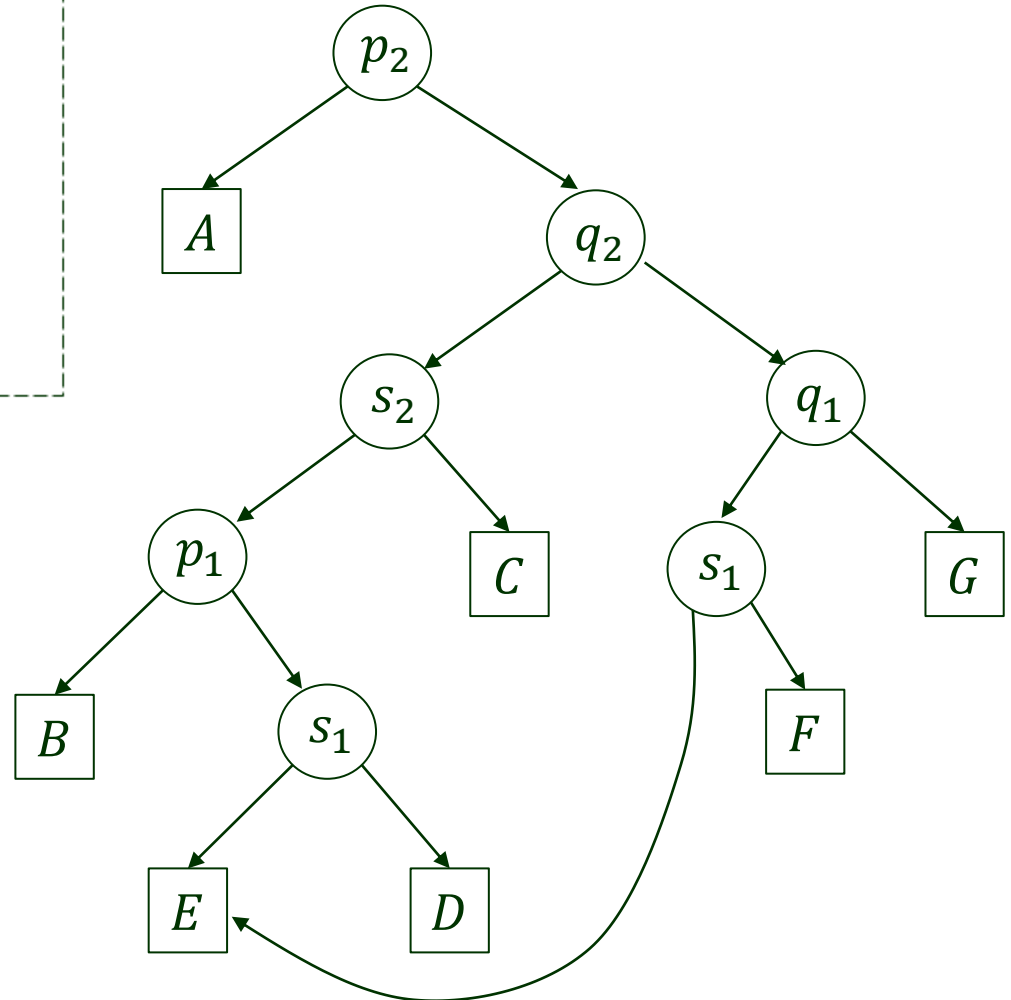
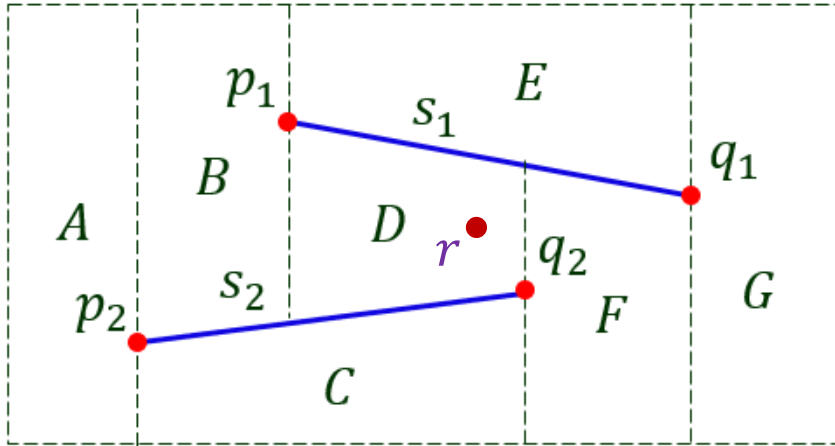
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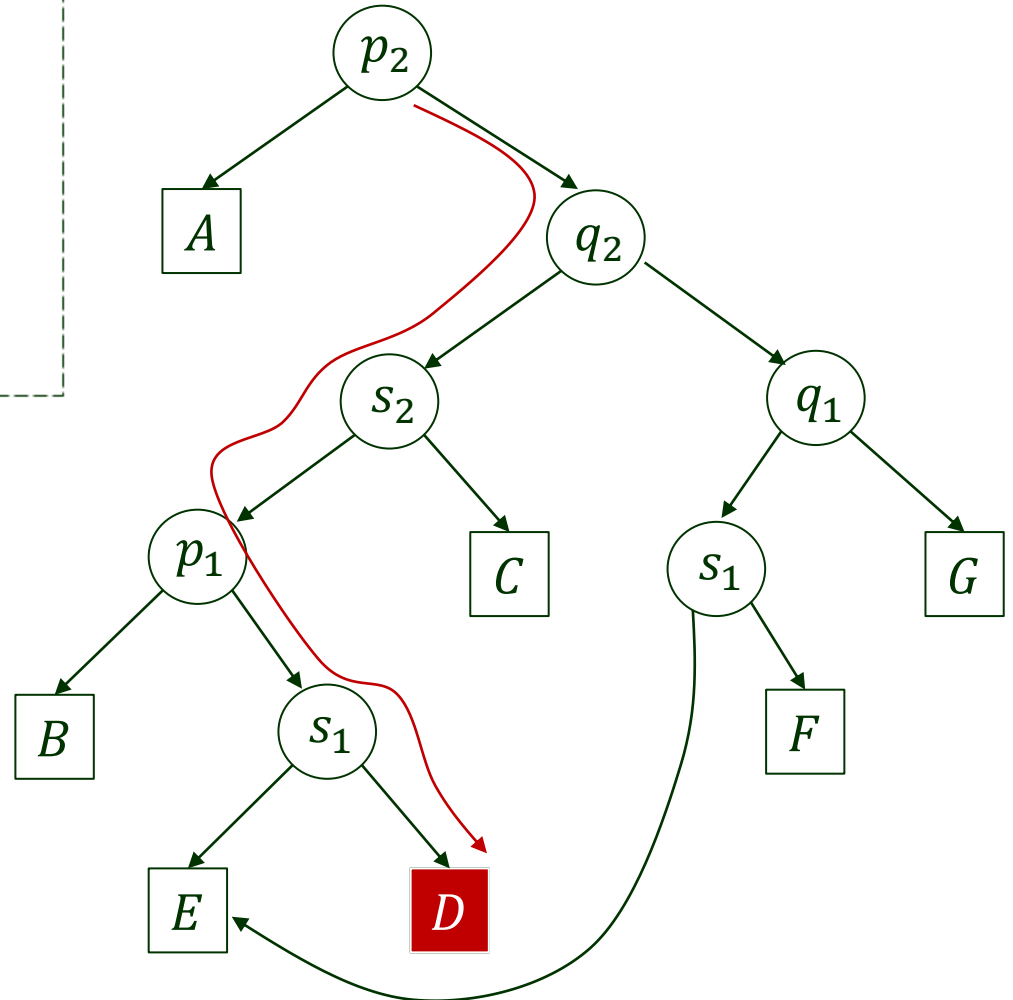
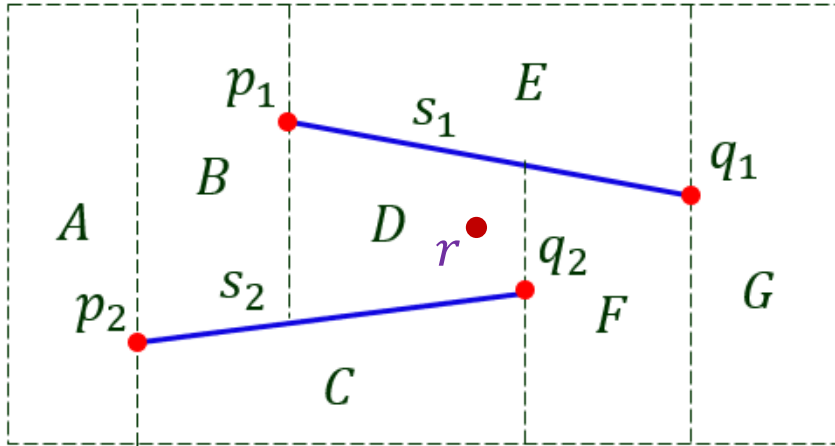
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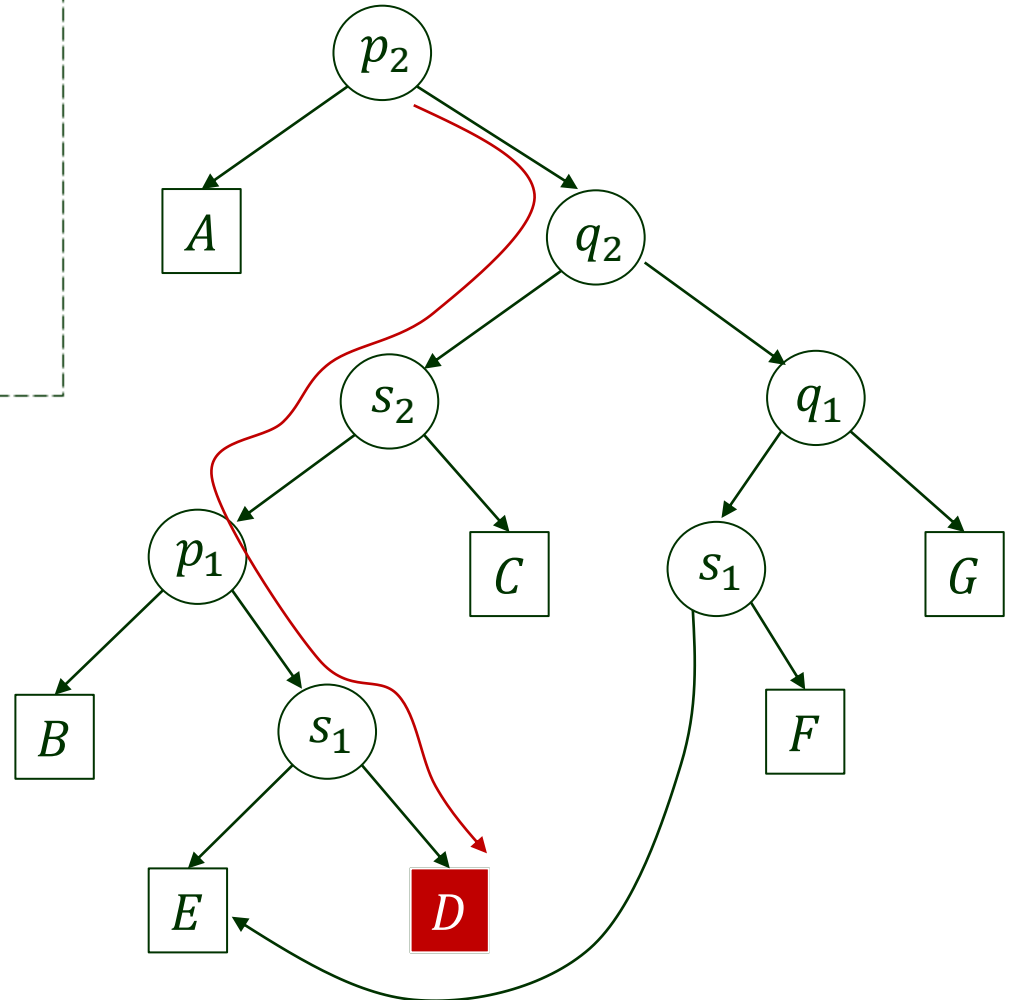
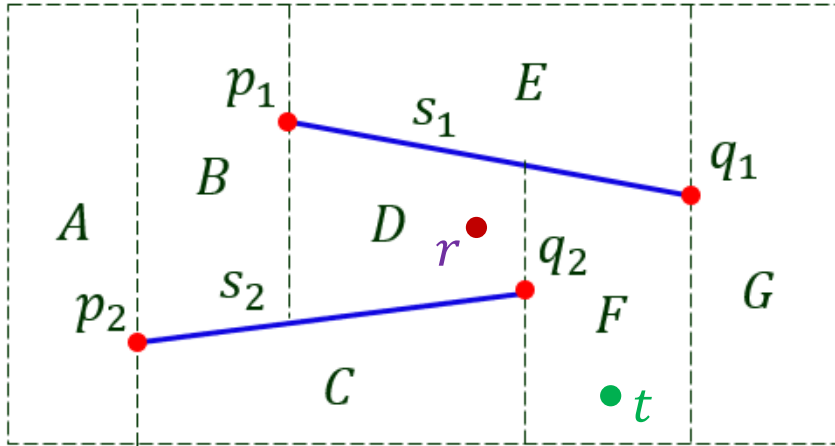


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