

# Line Arrangements

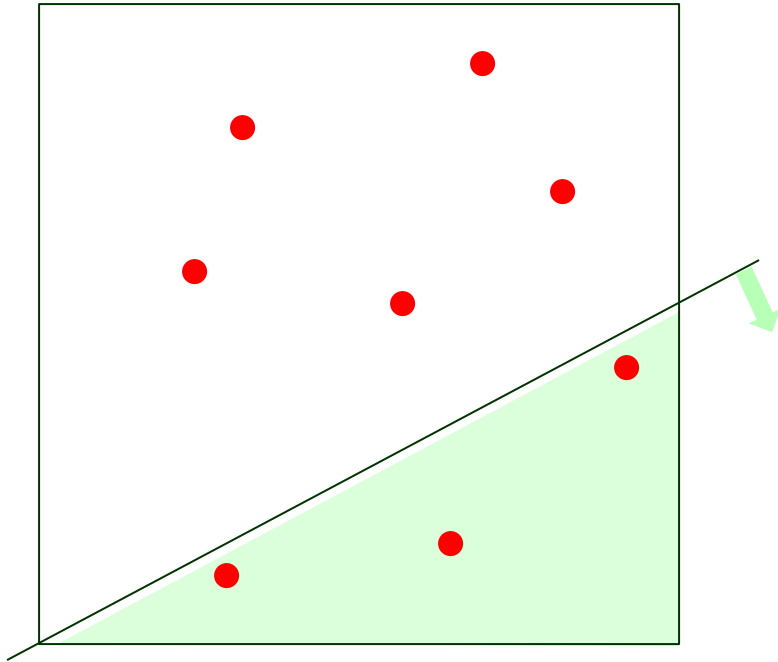
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## Outline:

- I. Geometric complexity of a line arrangement
- II. Incremental construction
- III. Computation of the discrete discrepancy measure

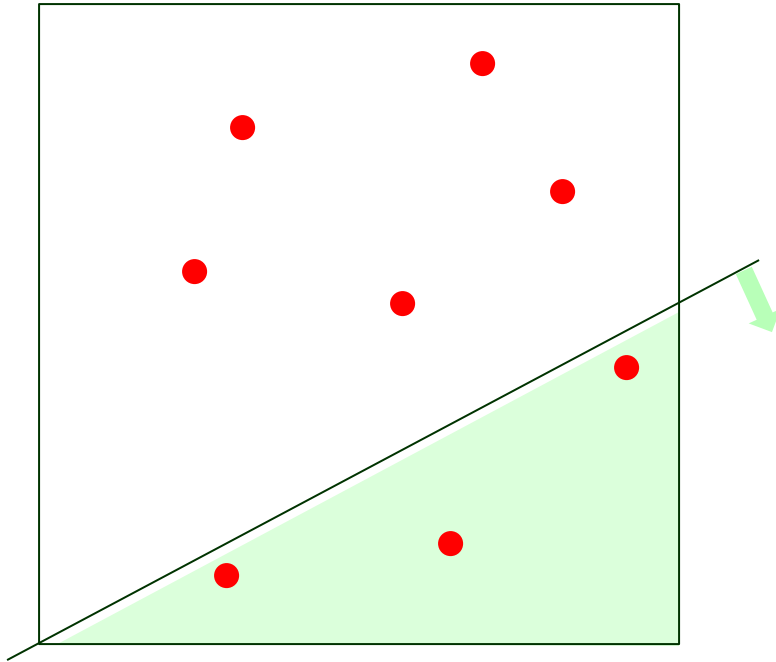
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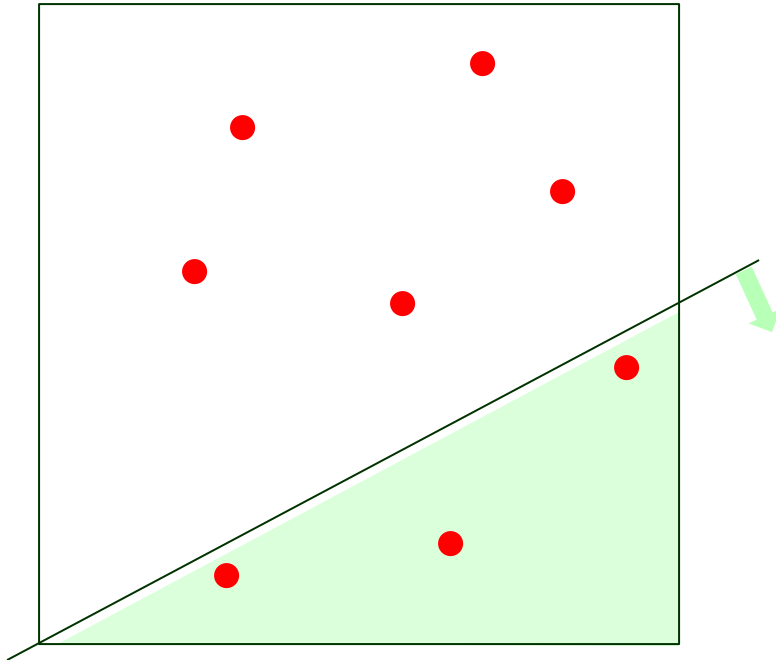
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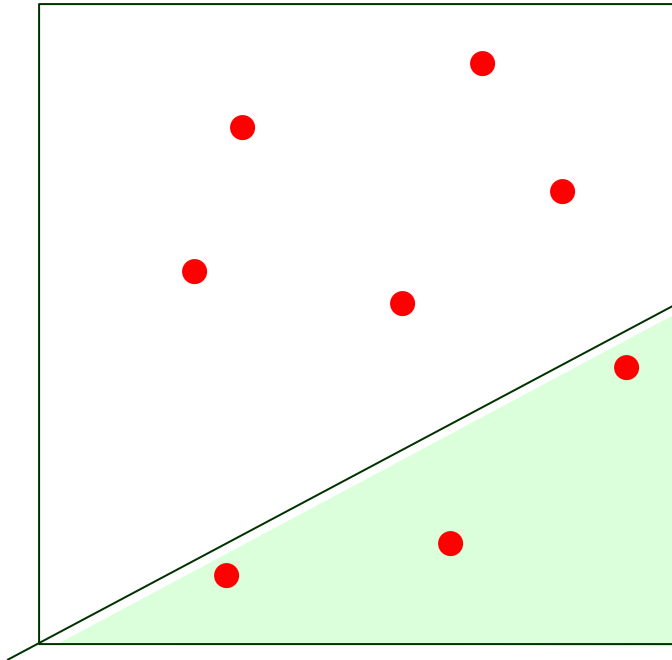


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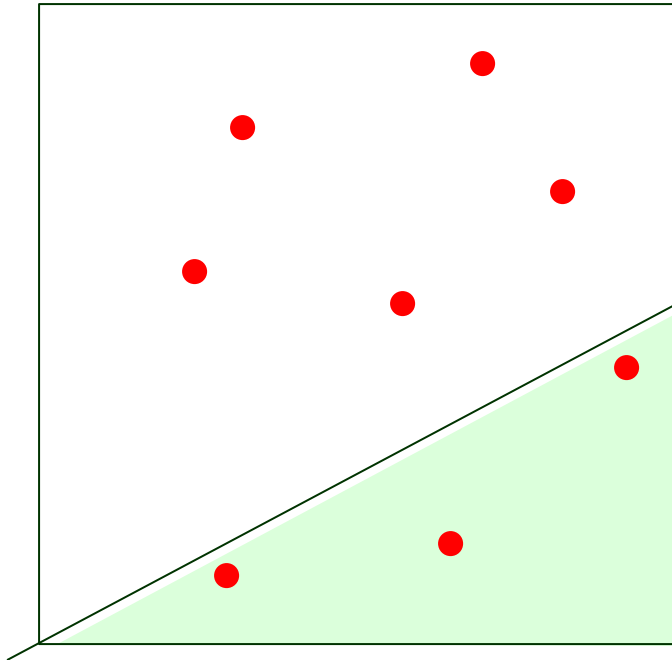
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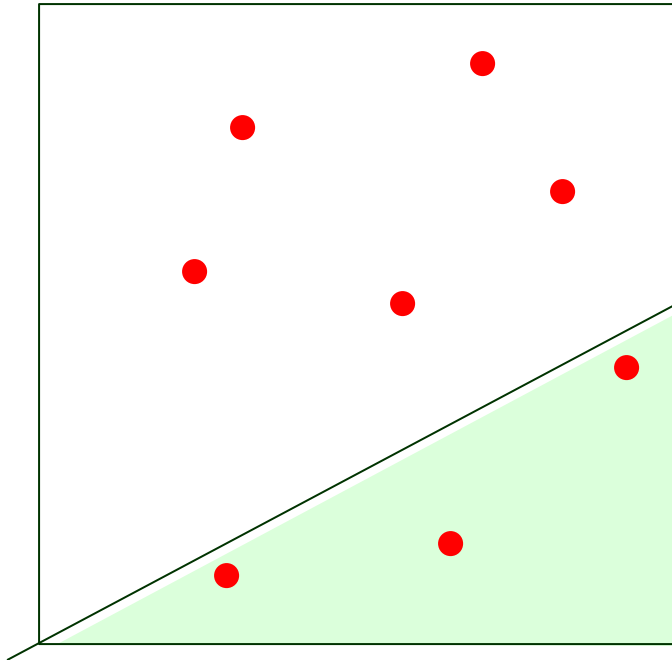
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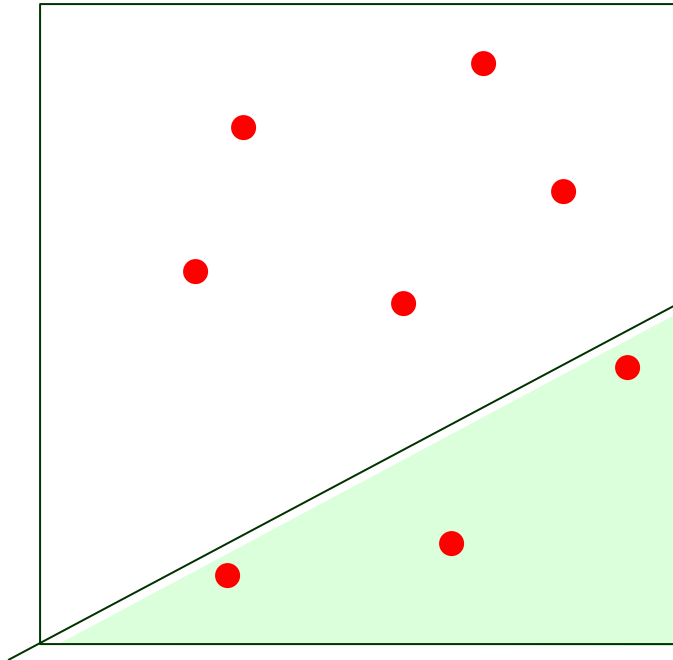
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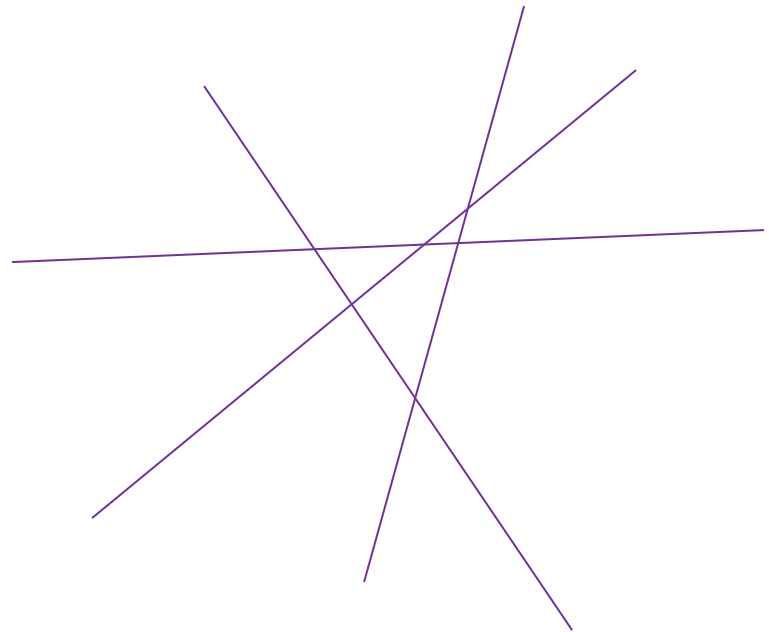
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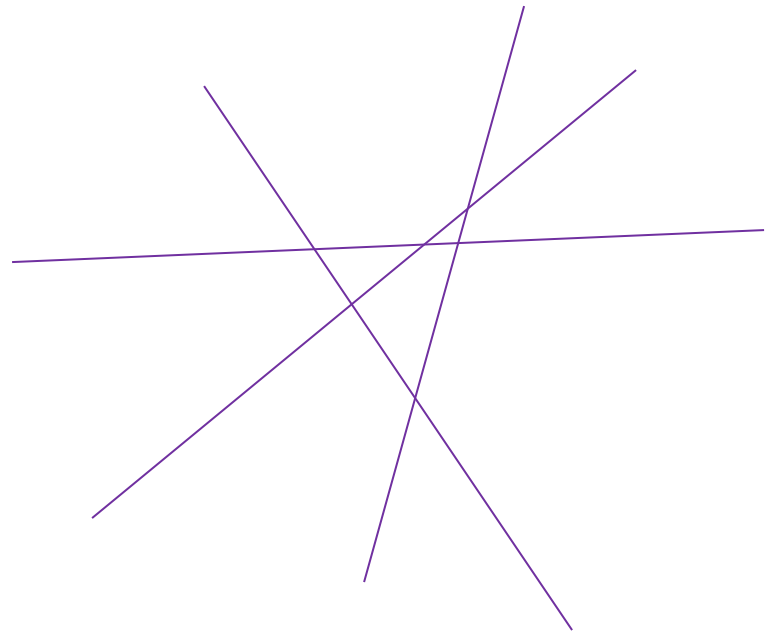


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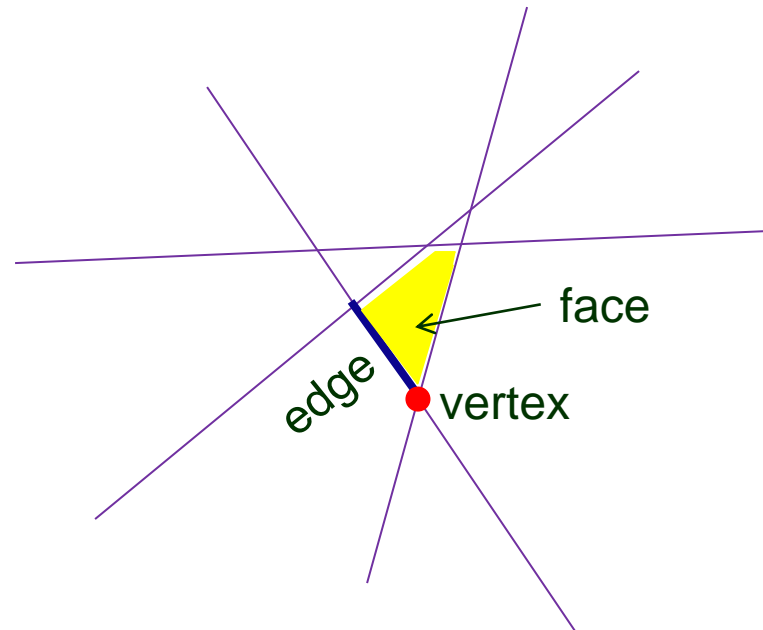


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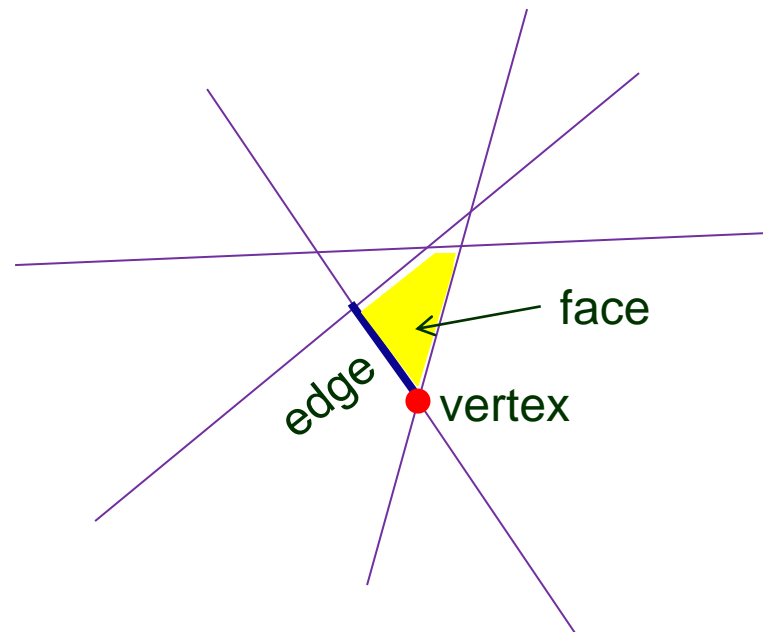
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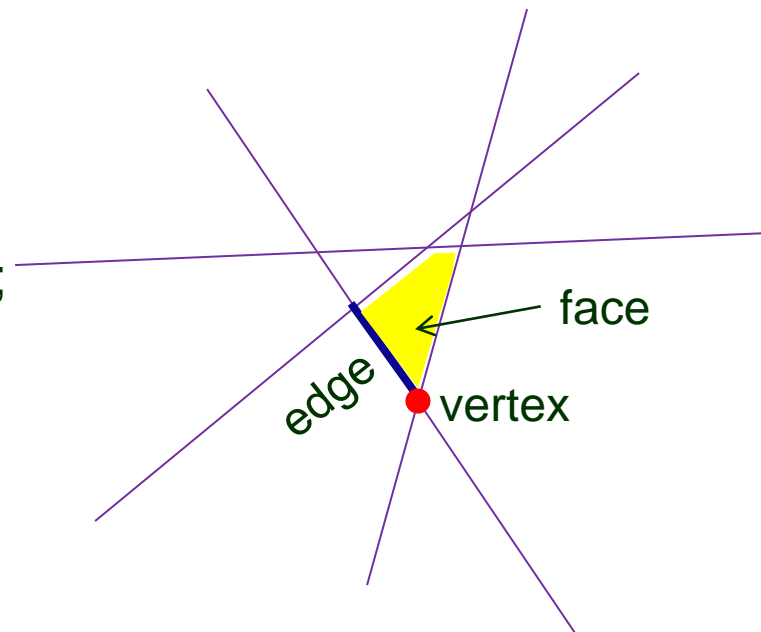
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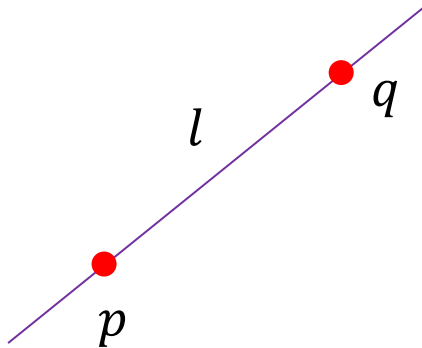
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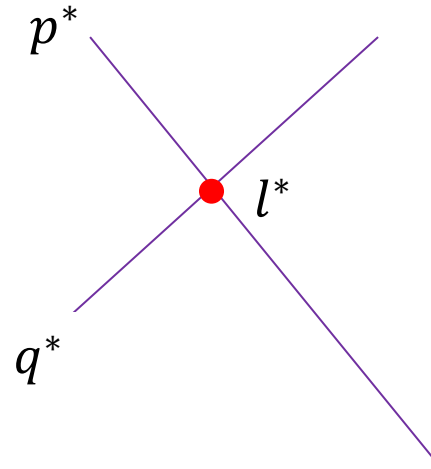
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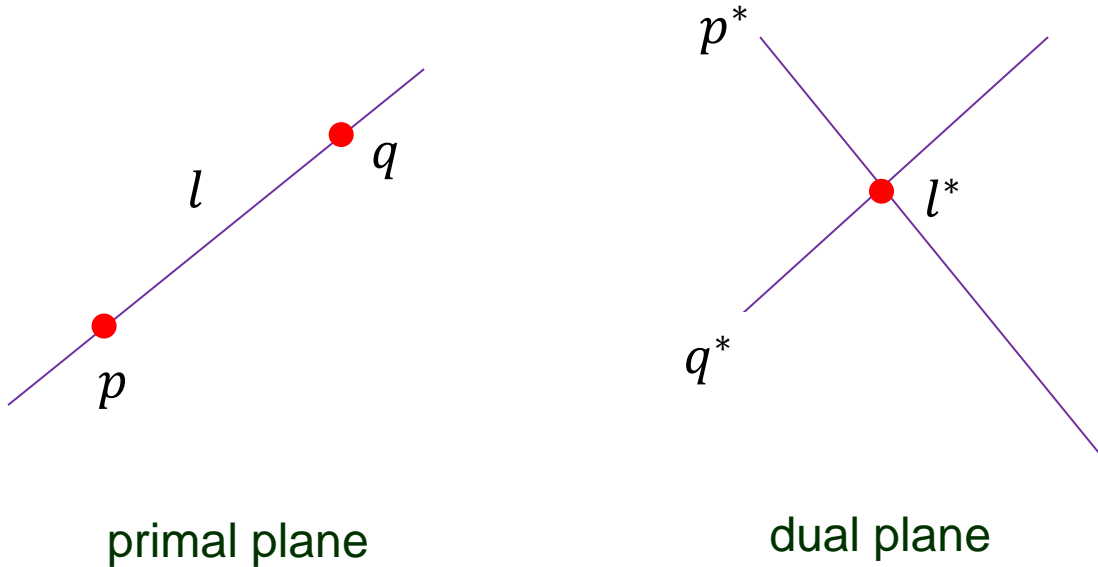


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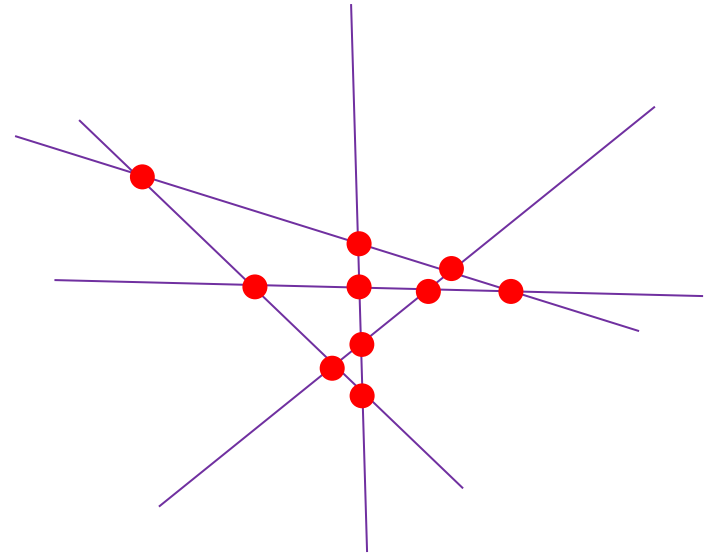


Structure of a line arrangement is **more apparent** than that of a point set.

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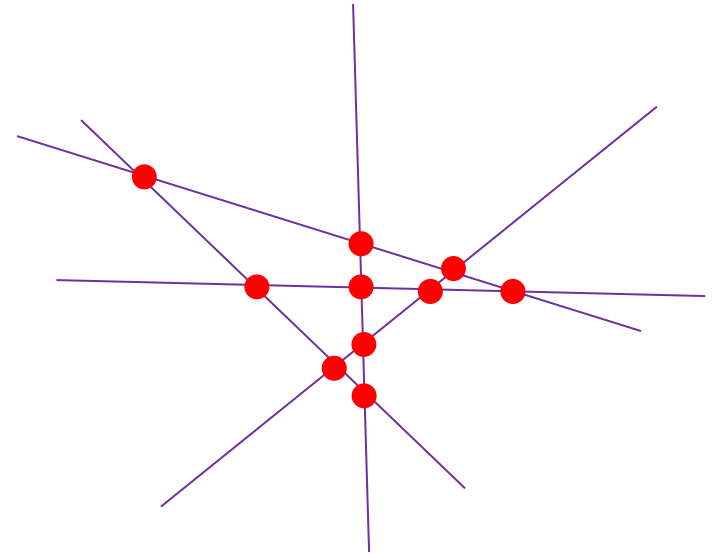




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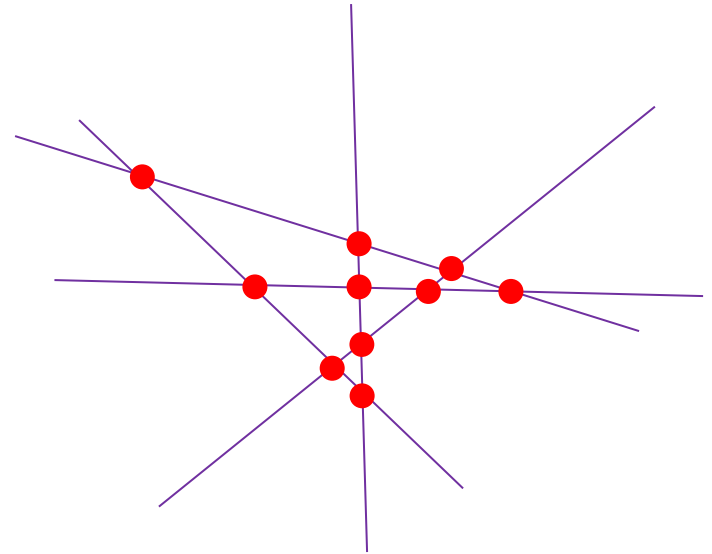


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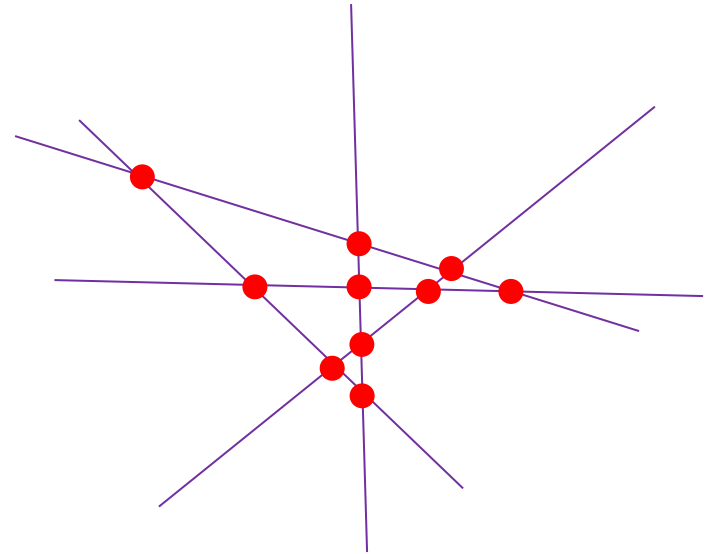
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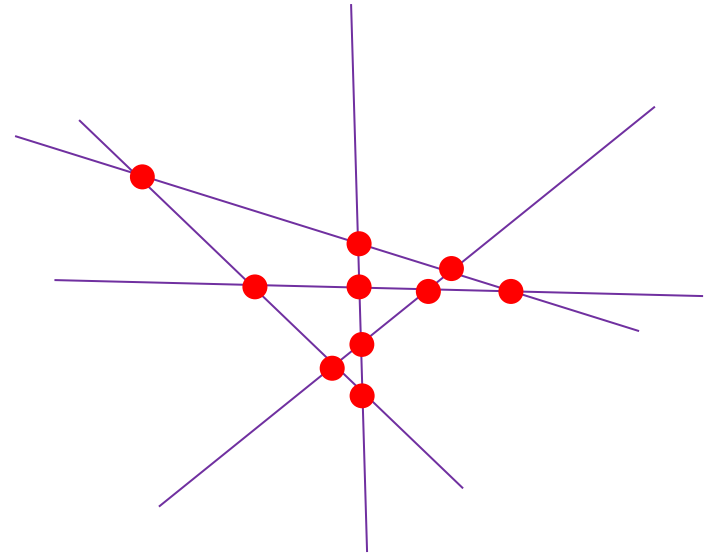
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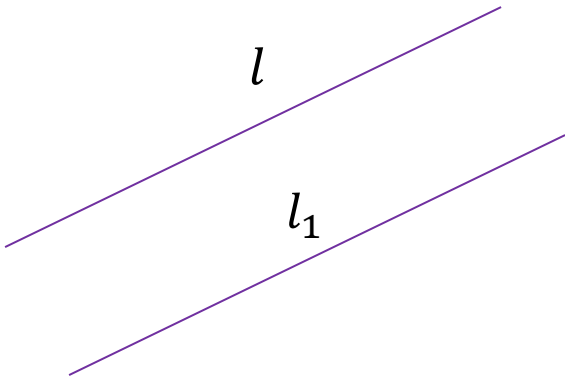
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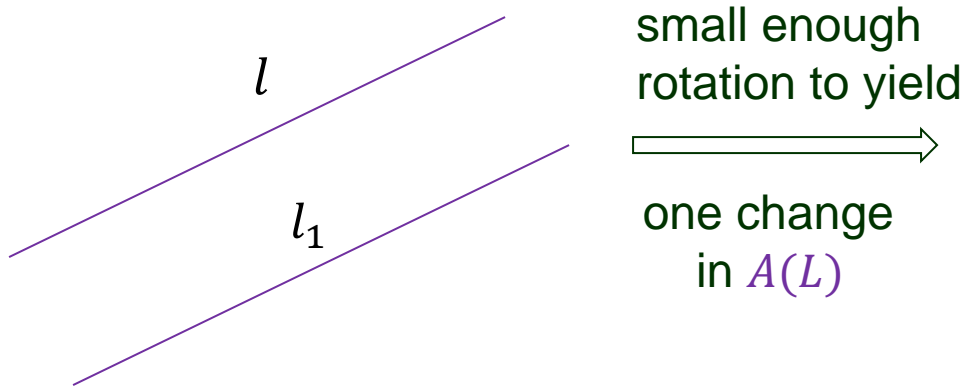


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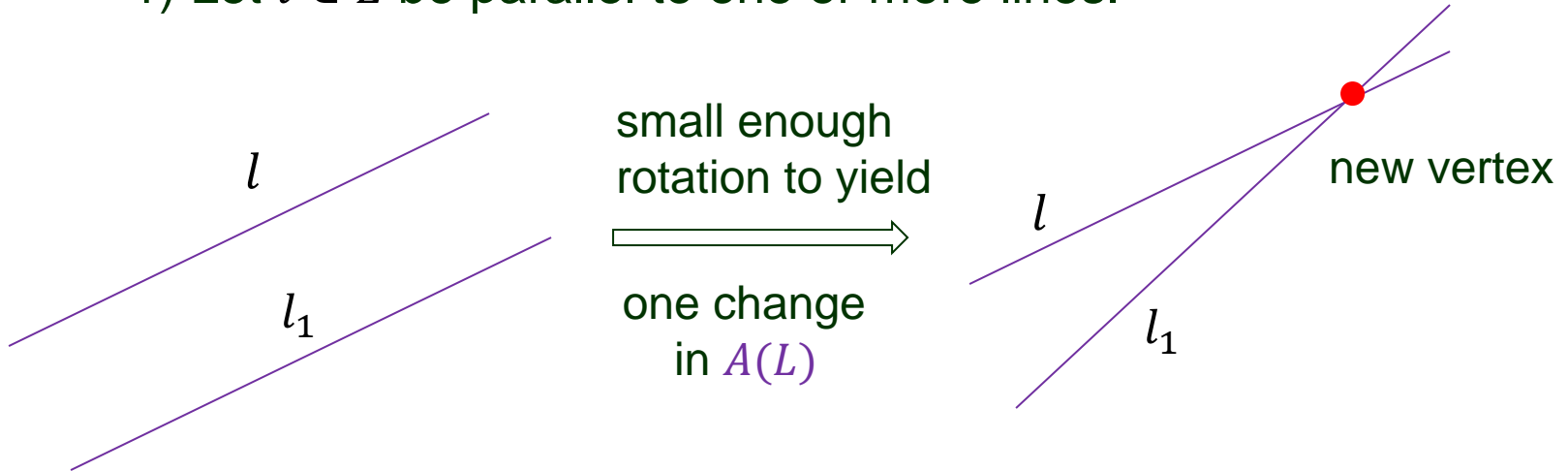


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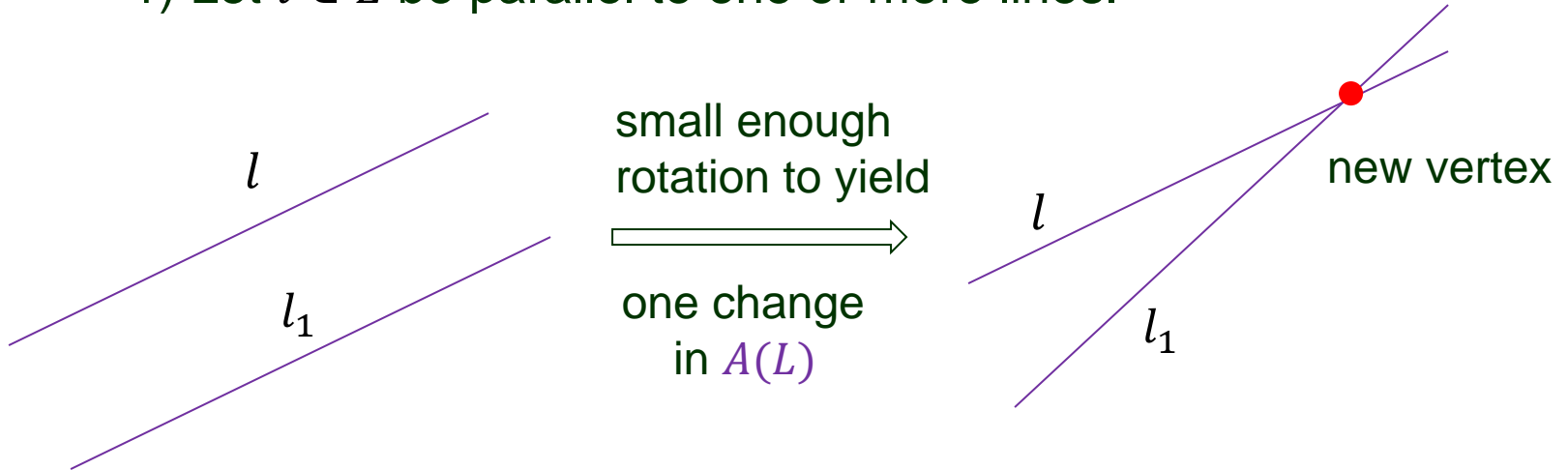


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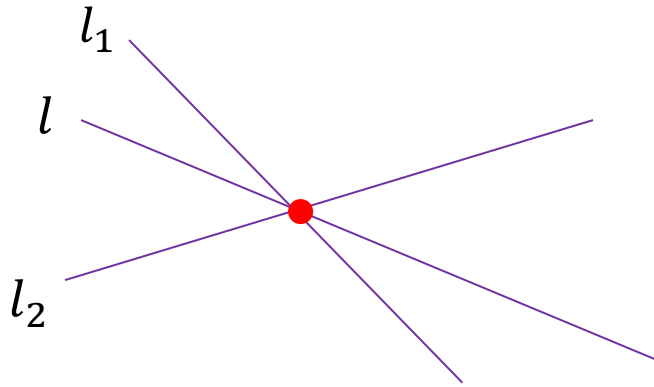


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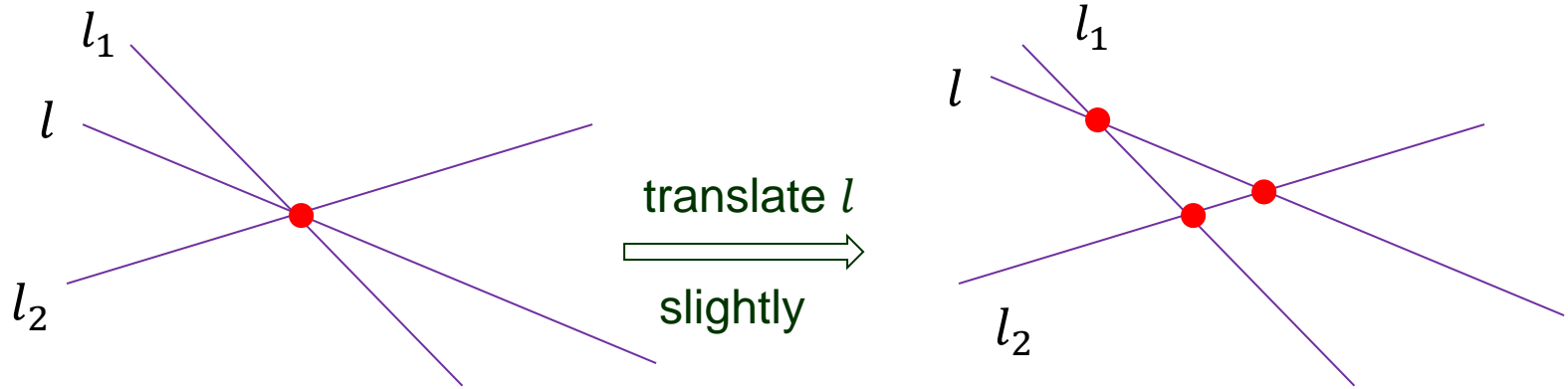
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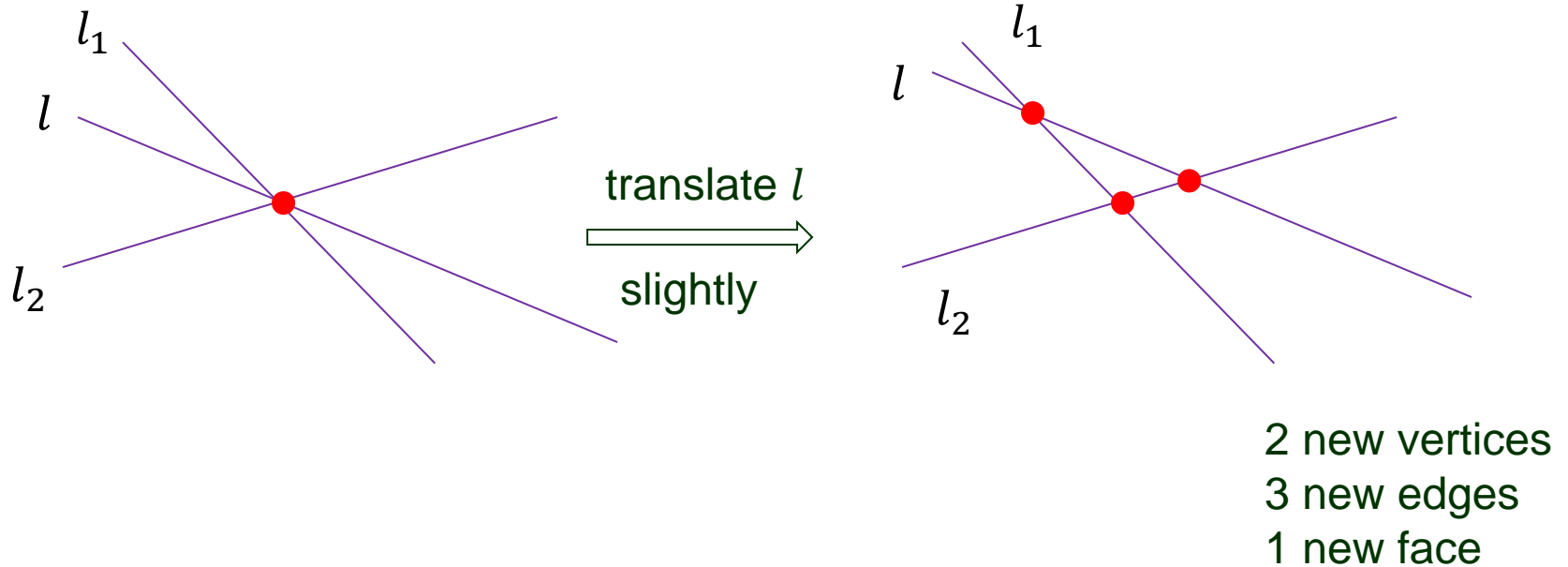
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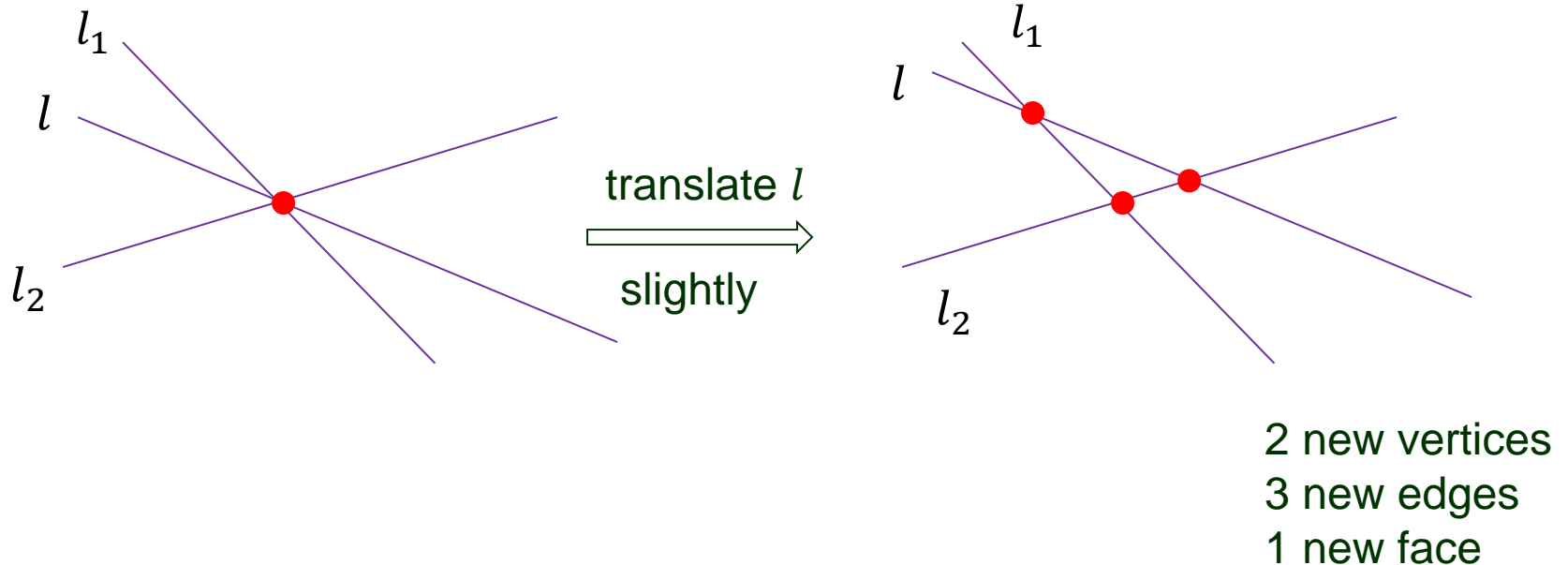
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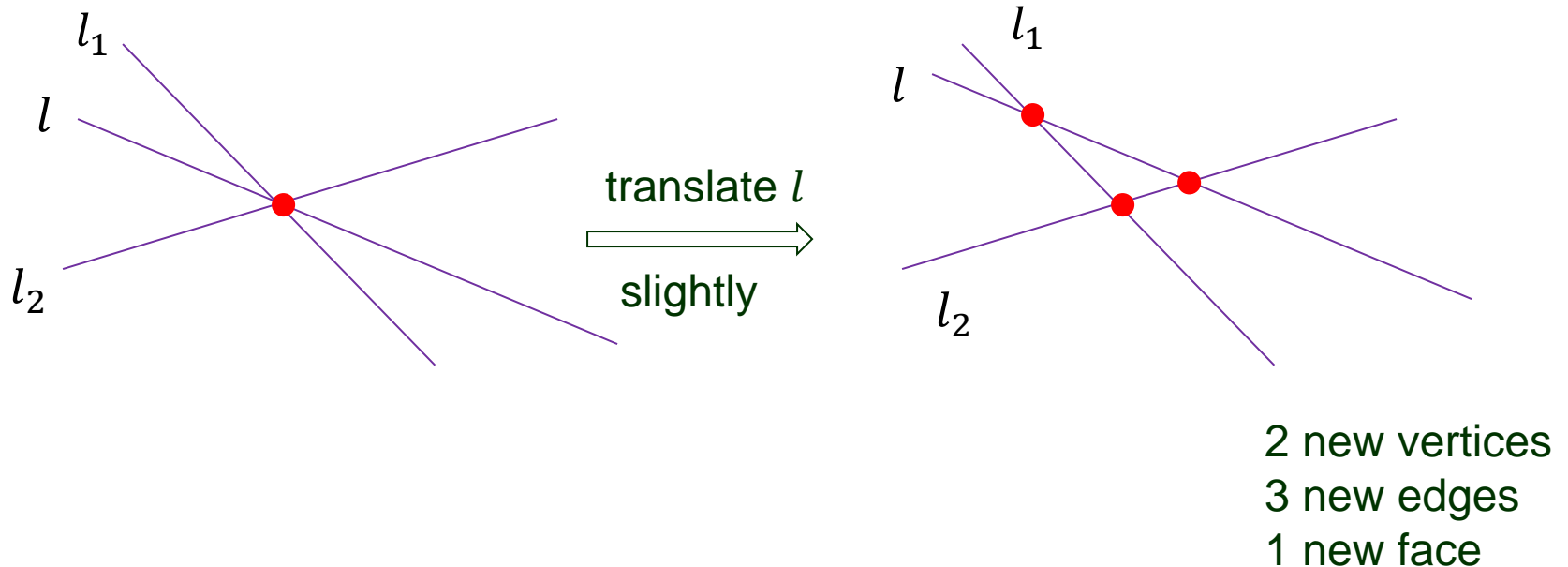
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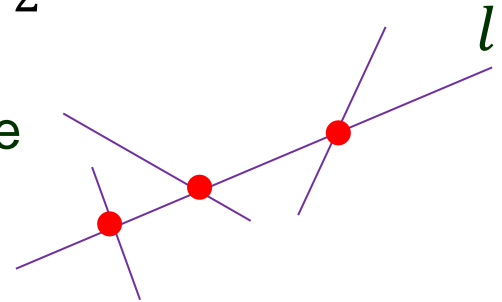
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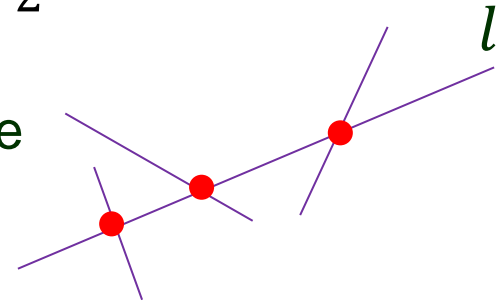
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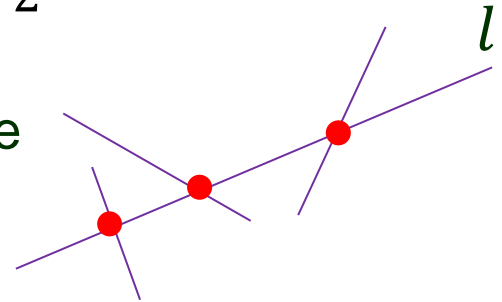
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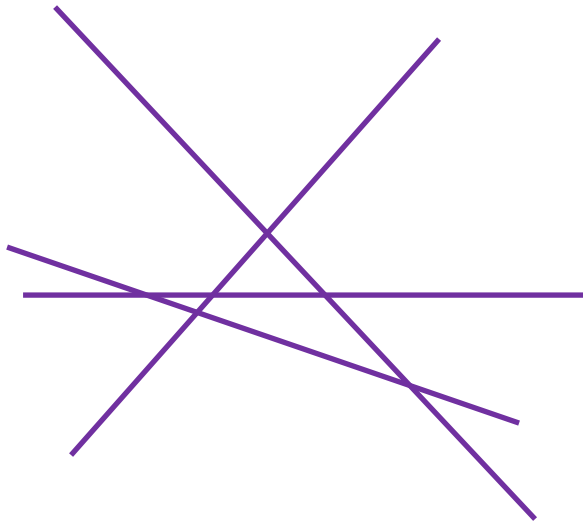
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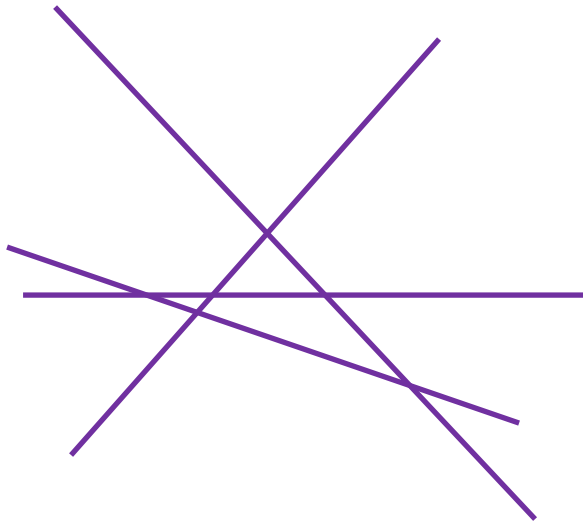
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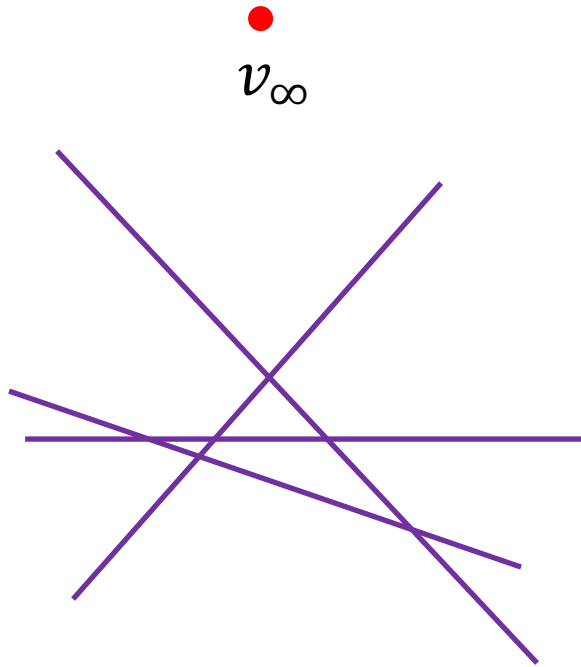
  
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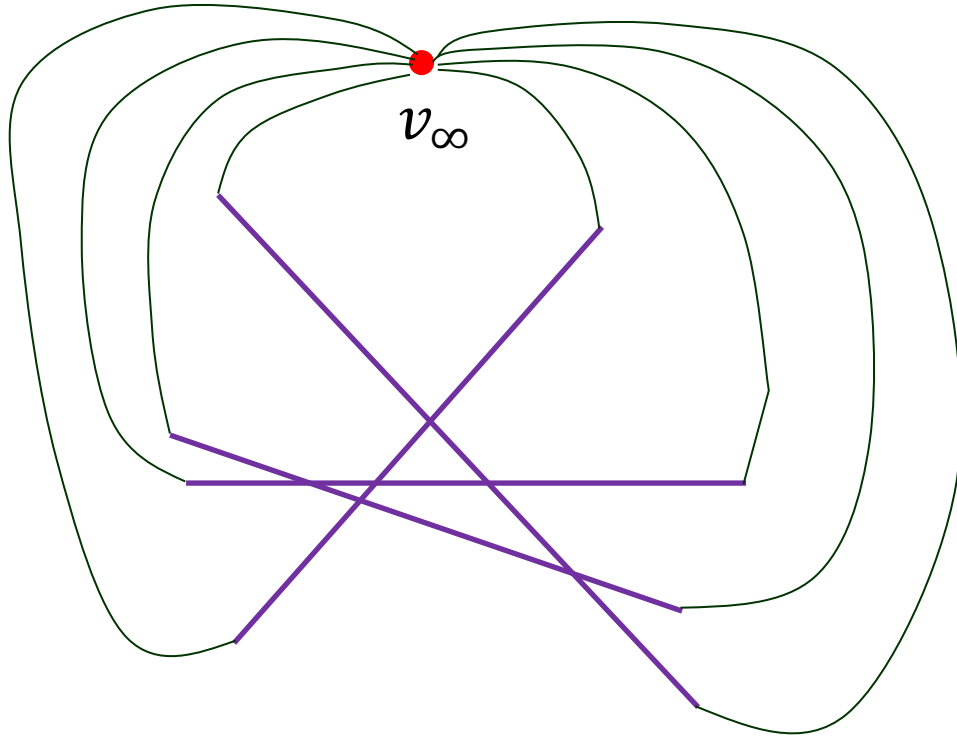
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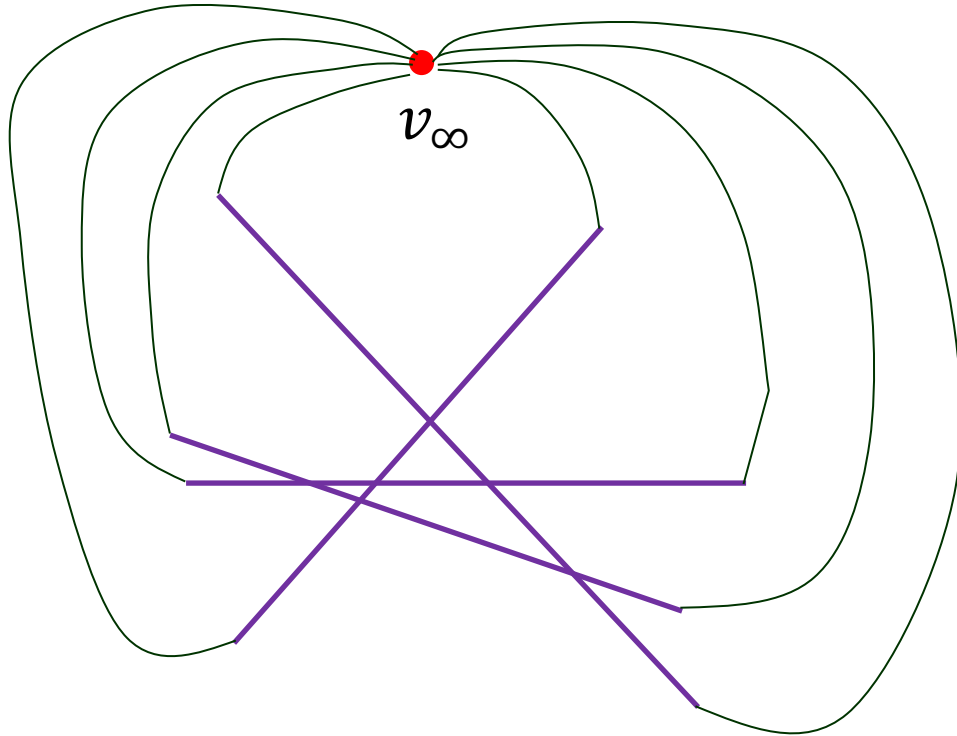


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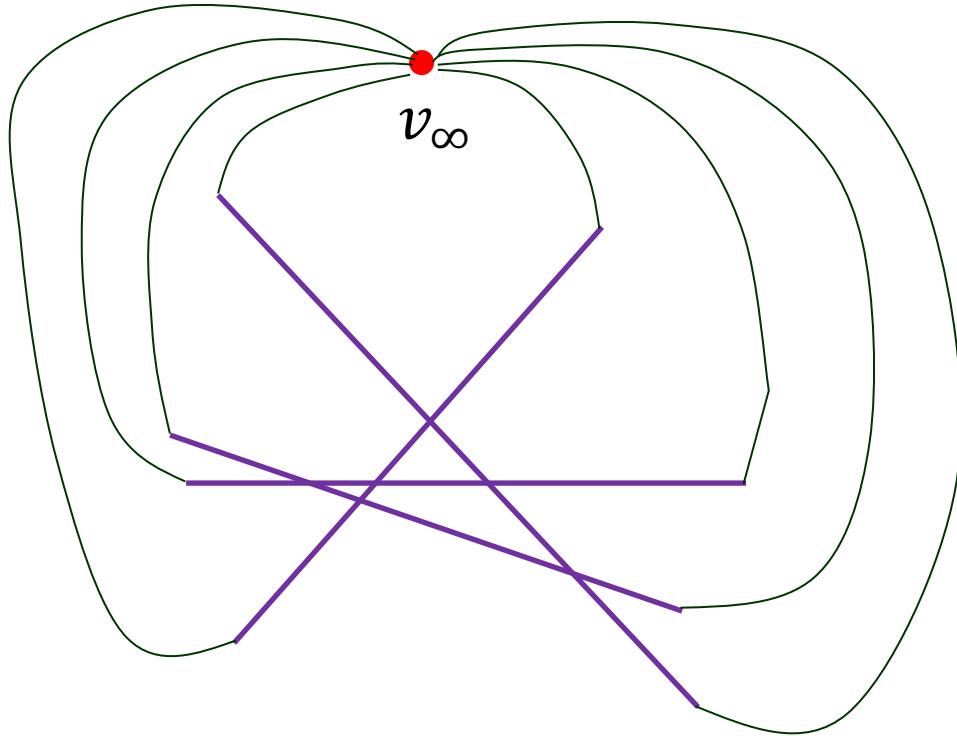
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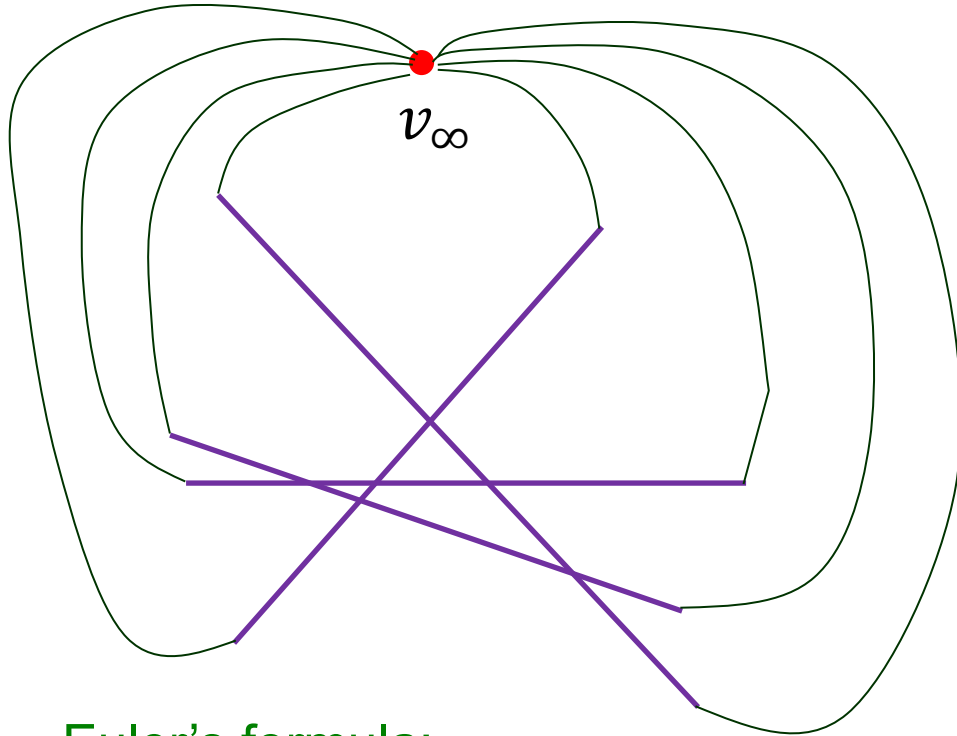
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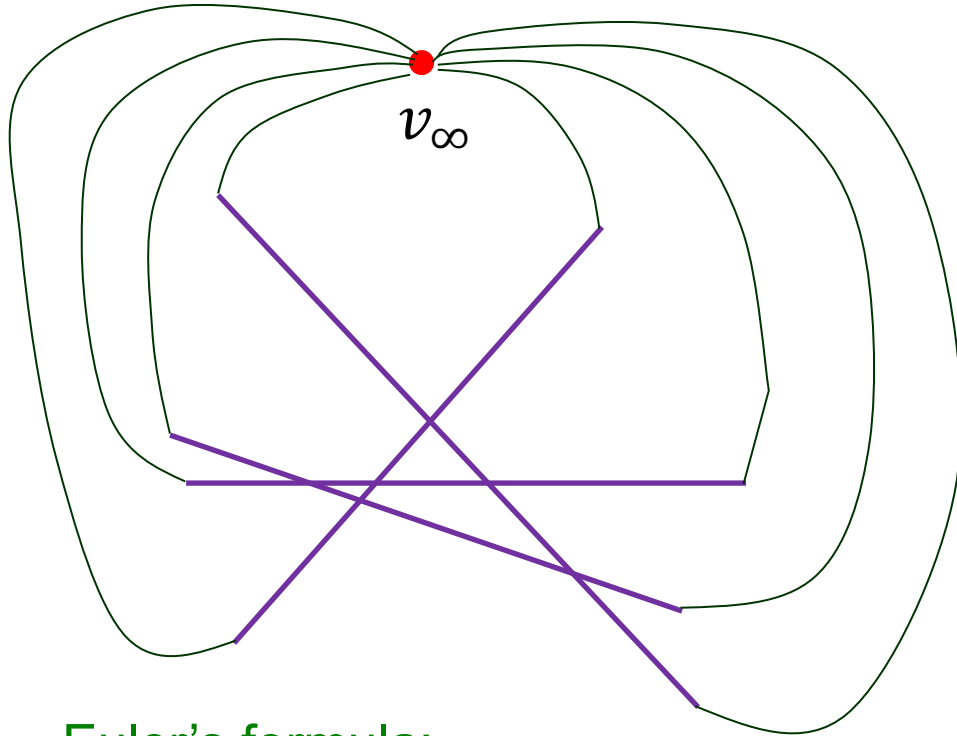


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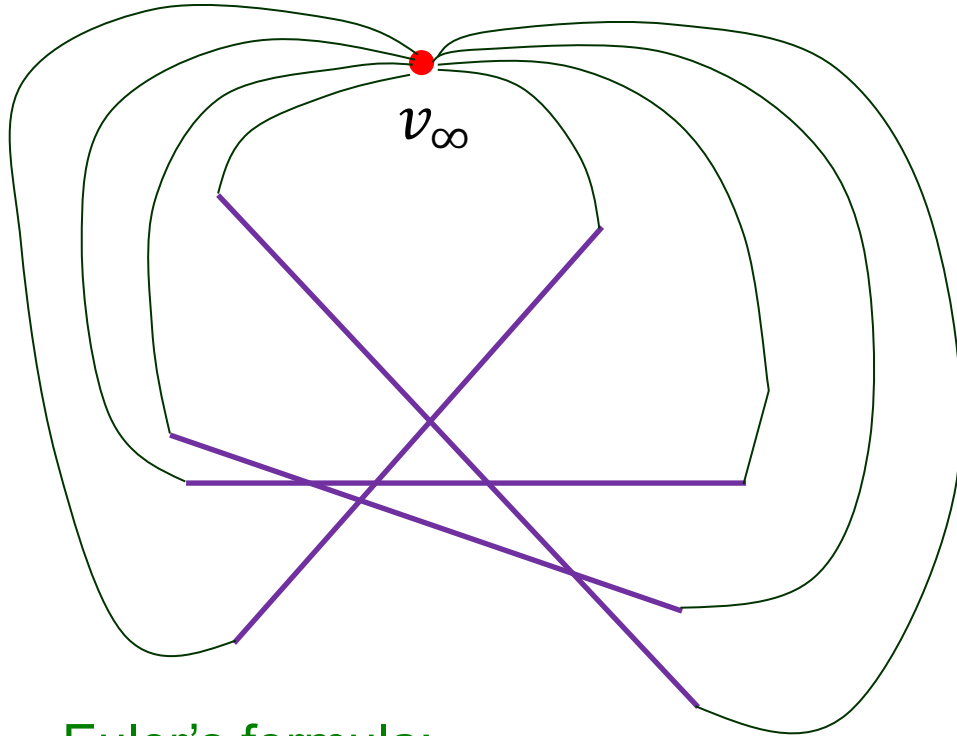
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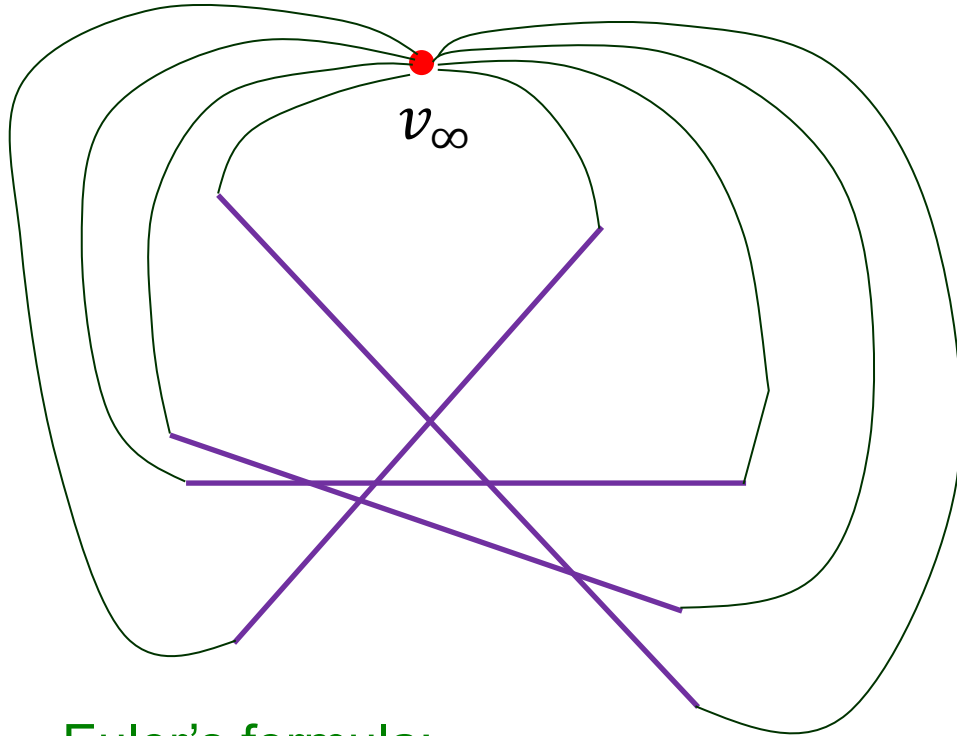
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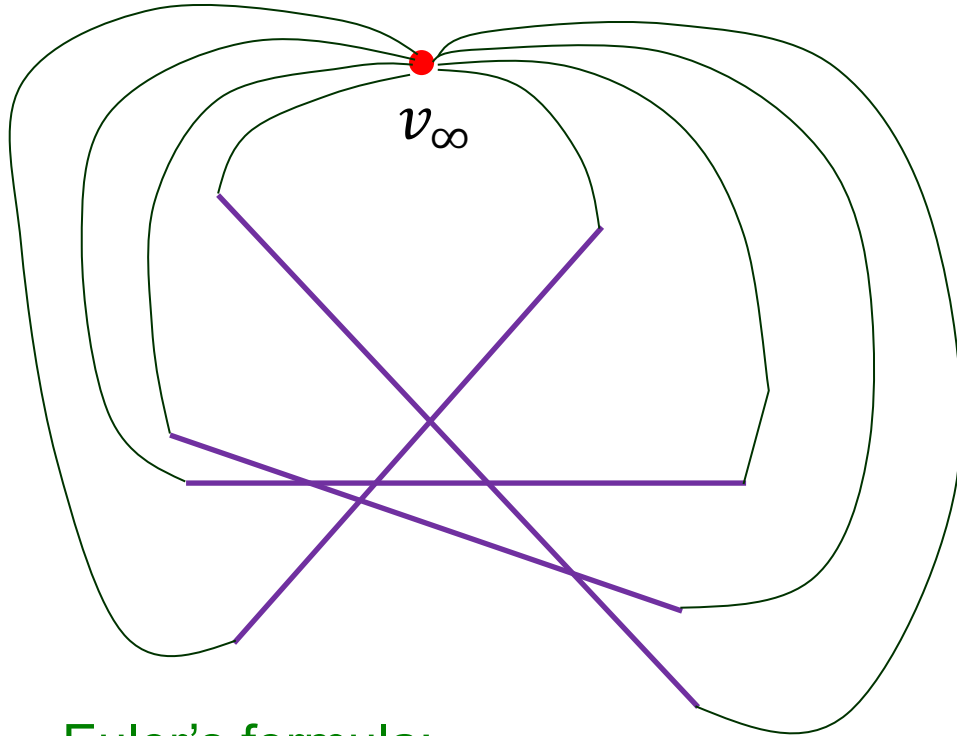


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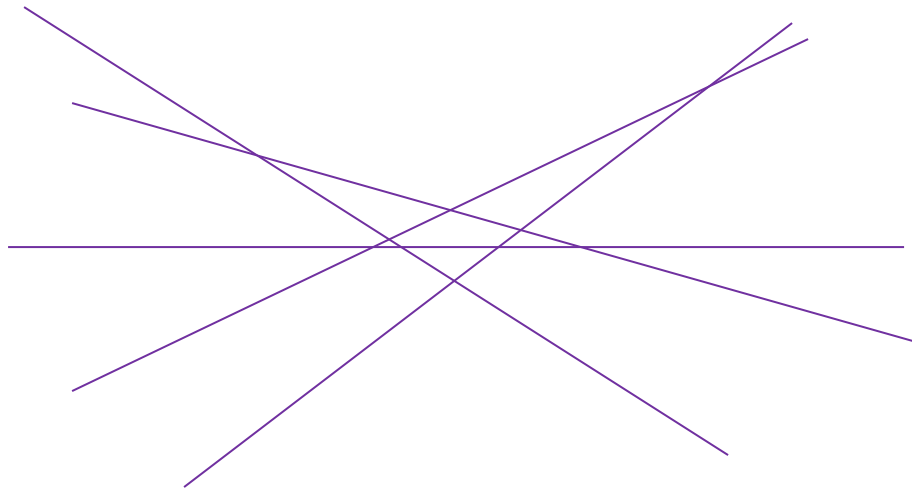
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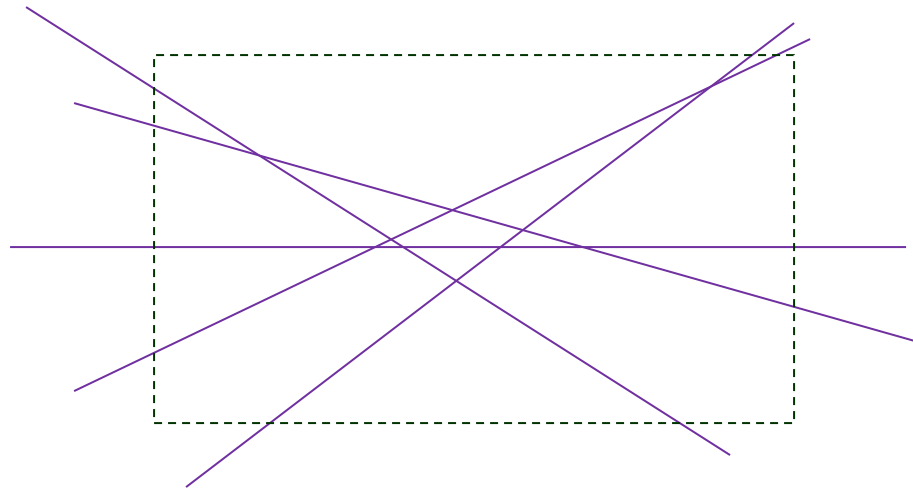


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## Preprocessing

- Compute the bounding box  $B(L)$ .  $\Theta(n^2)$ 
  - $n(n - 1)/2$  intersections.
  - leftmost, rightmost, top, bottom intersections.
  - each line yielding two intersections with  $B(L)$ .
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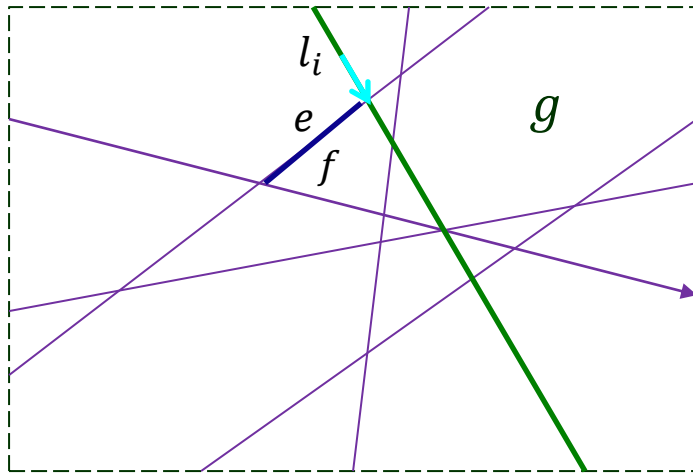
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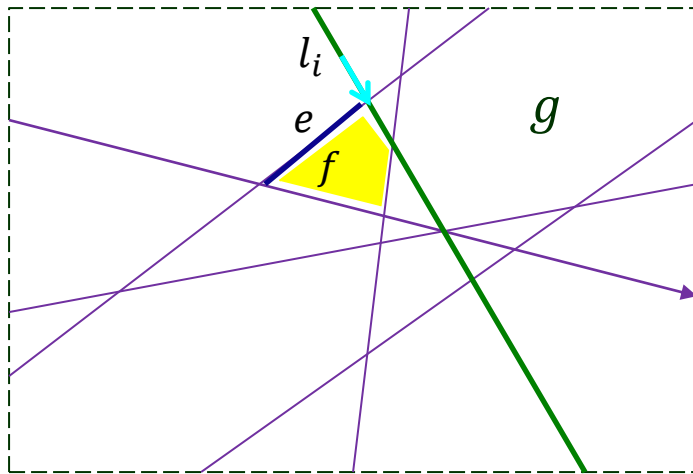
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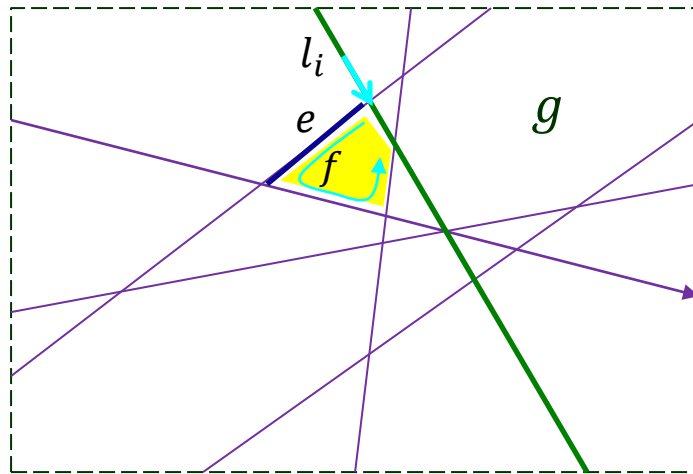
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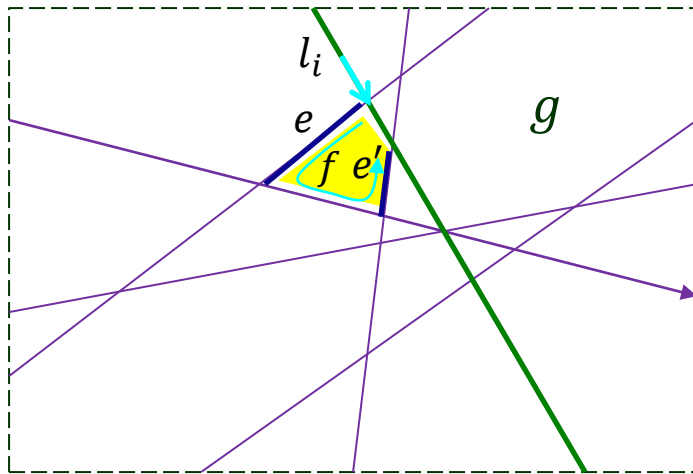
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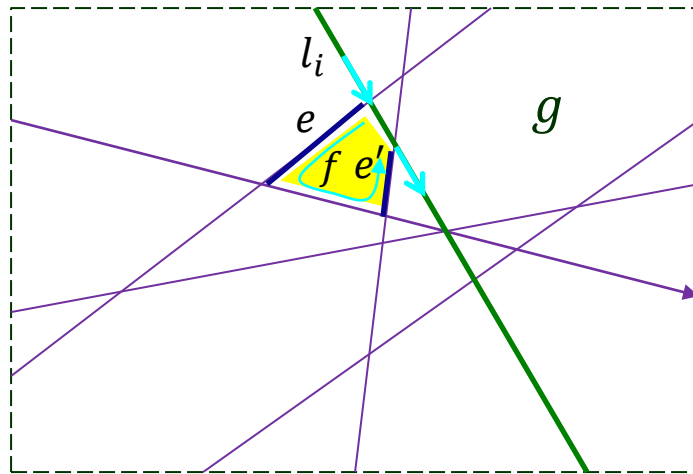
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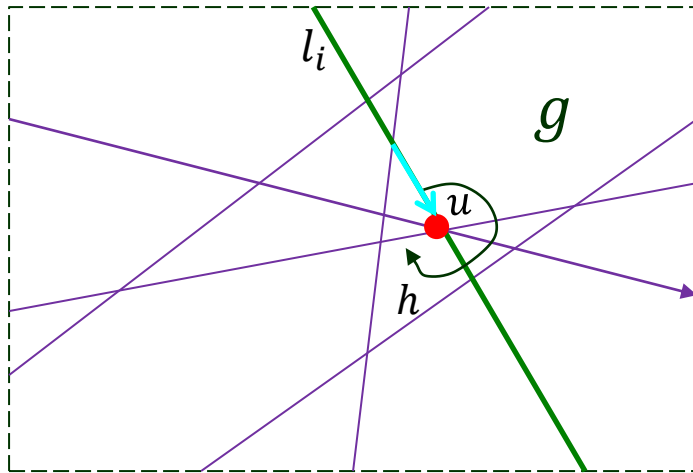
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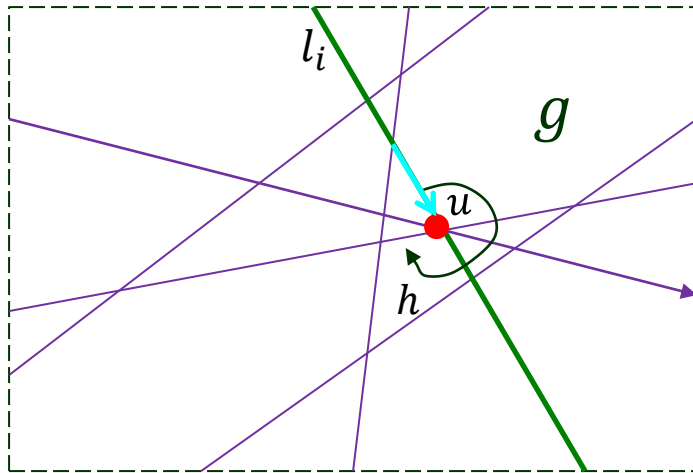
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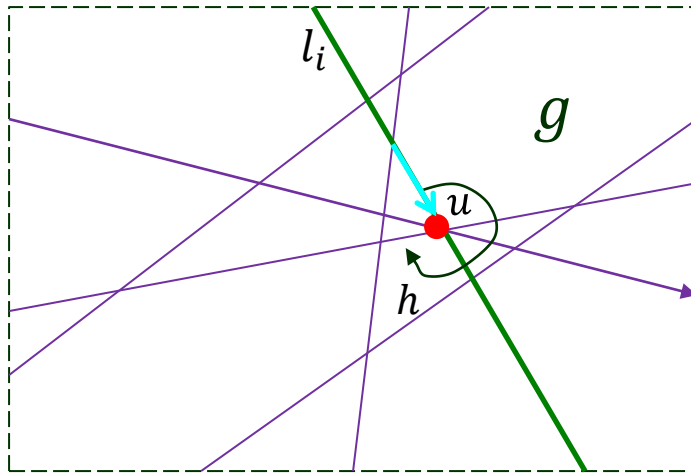


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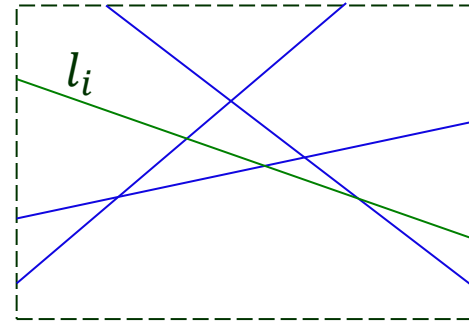
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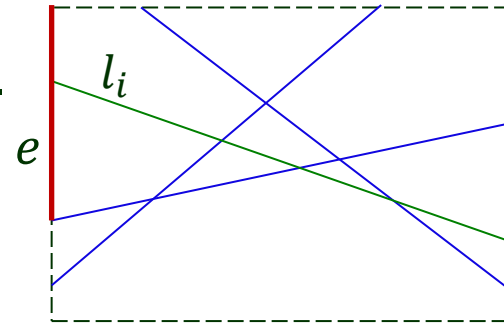


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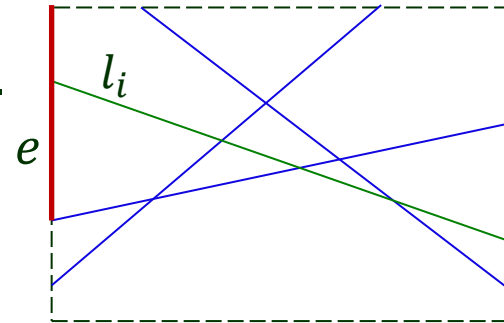


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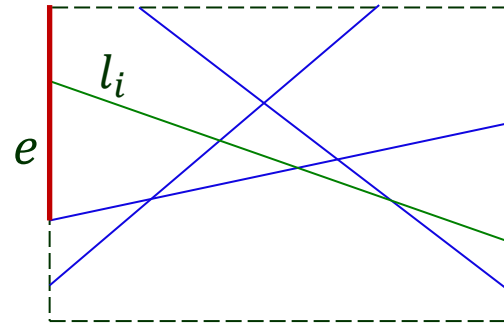


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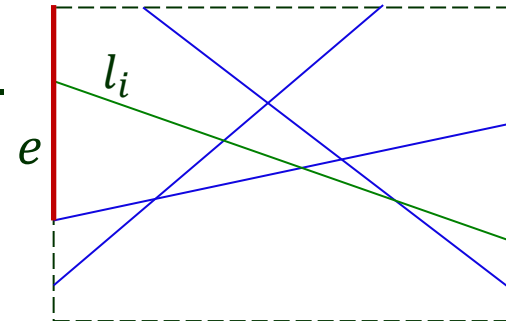
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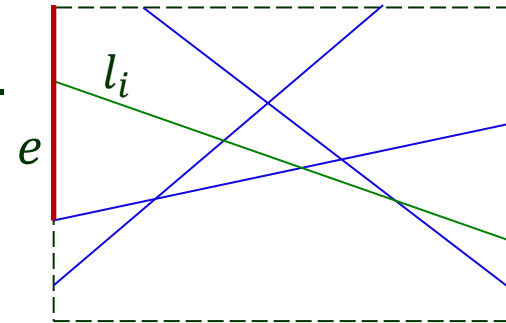


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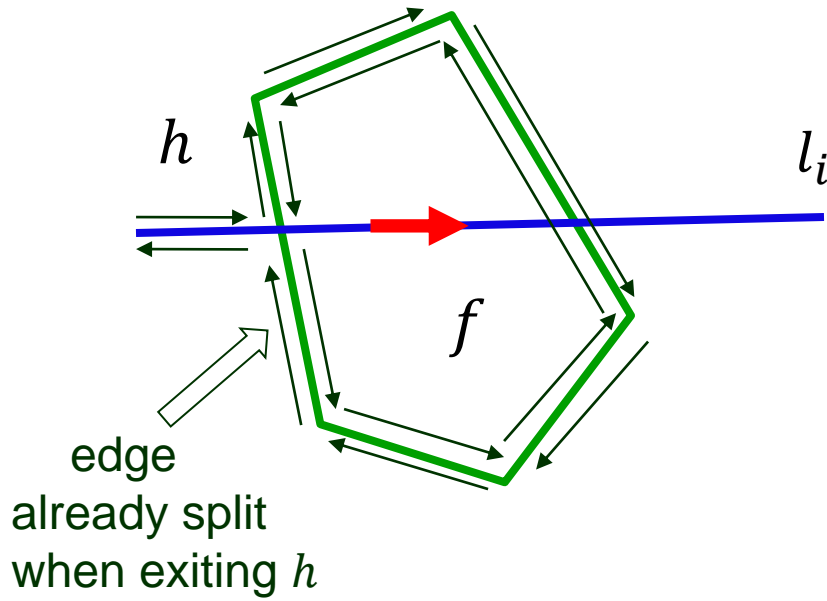


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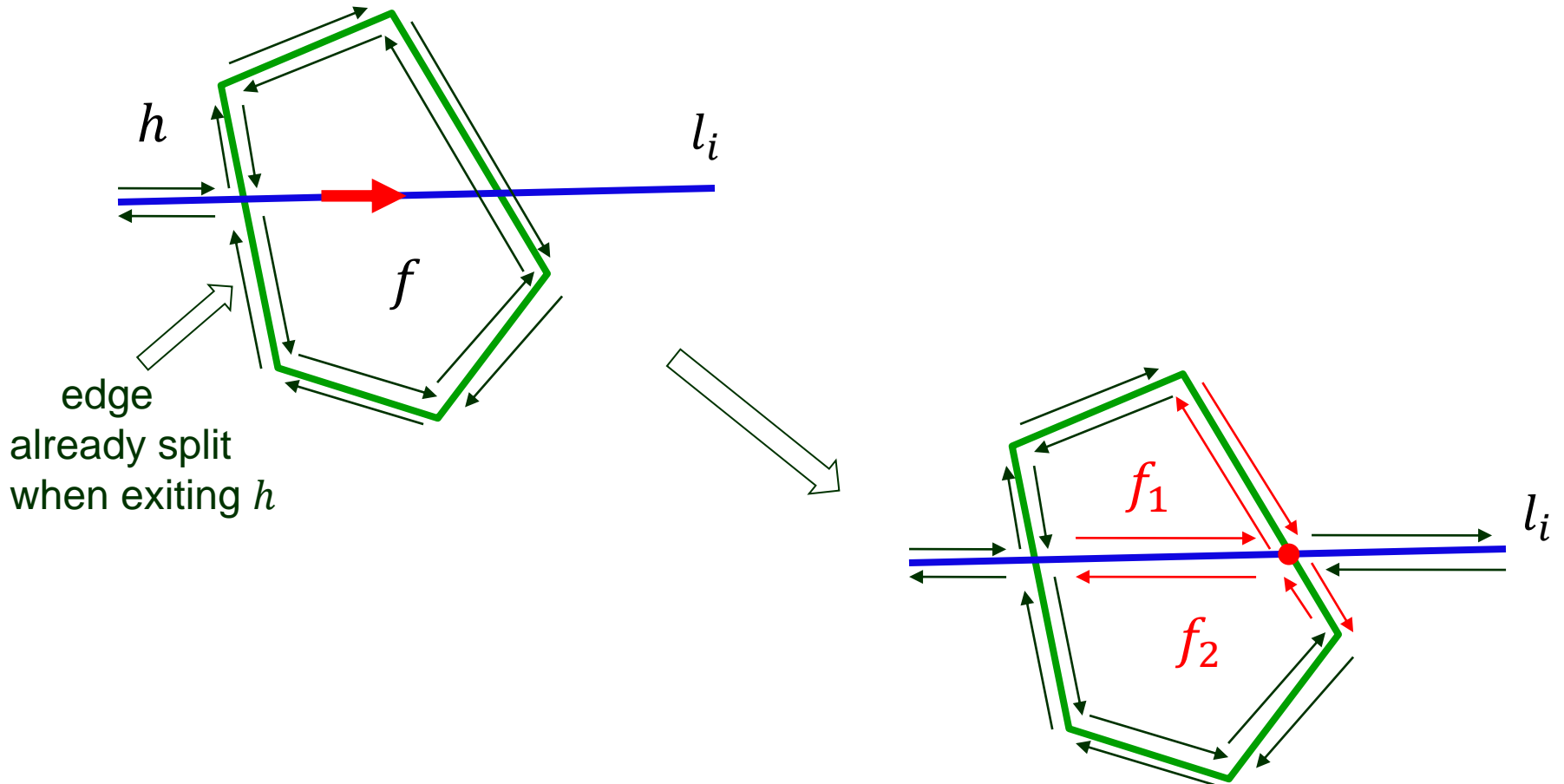
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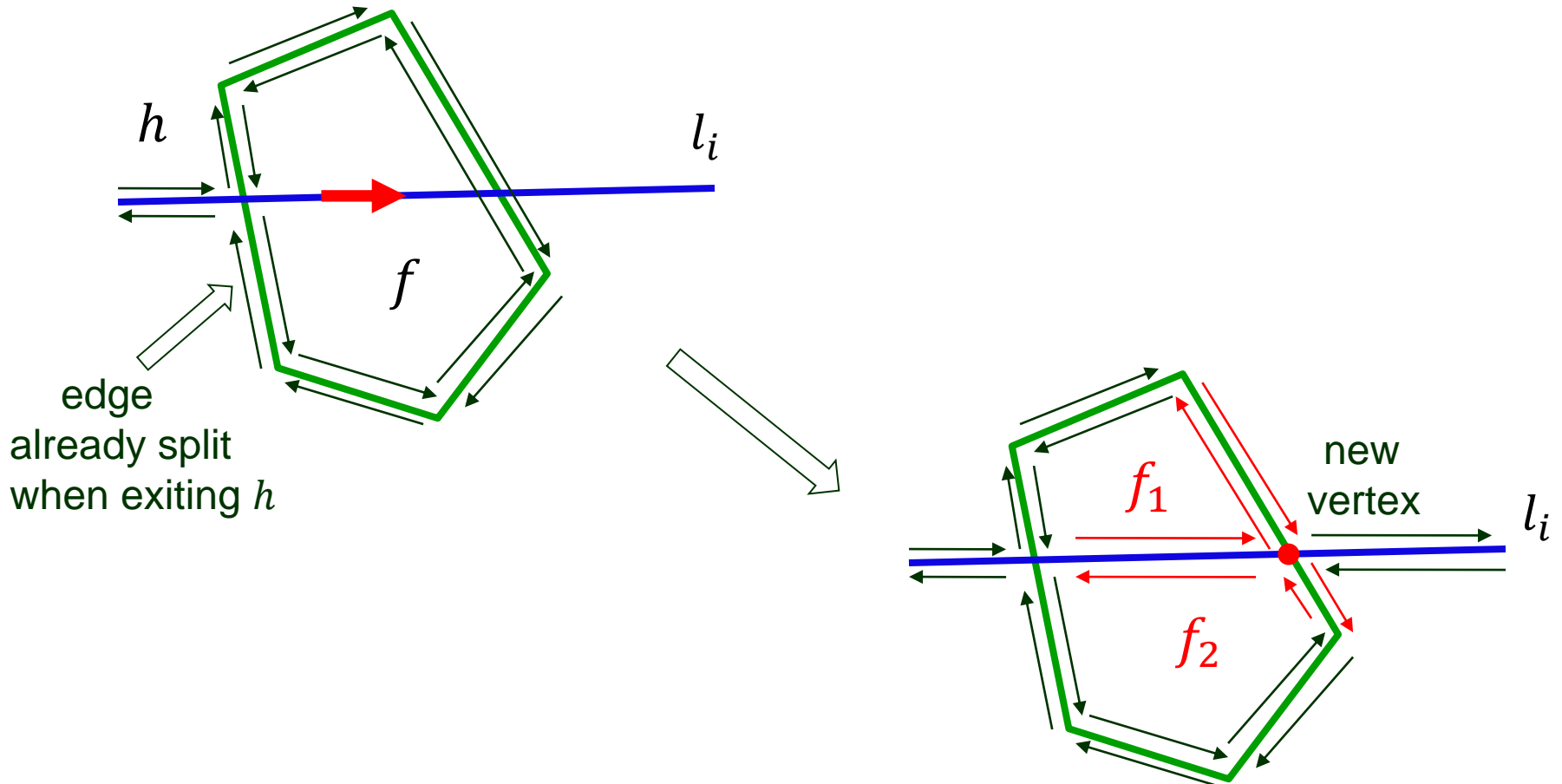
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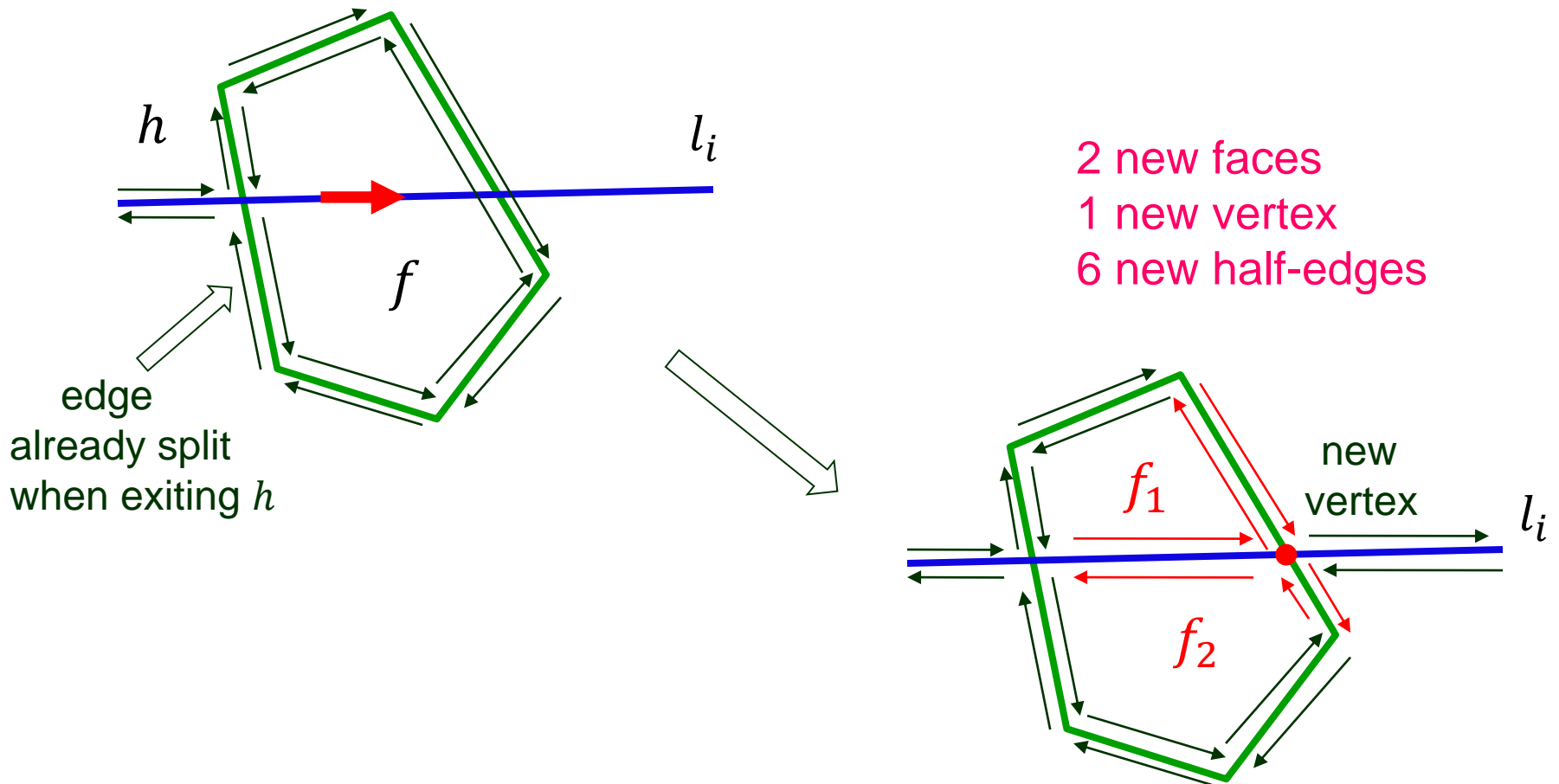


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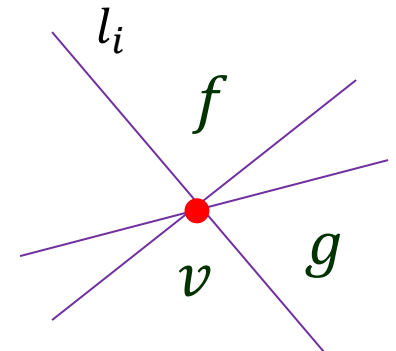
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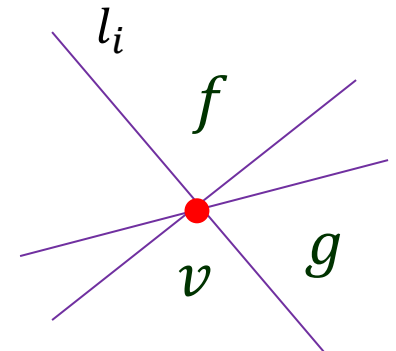
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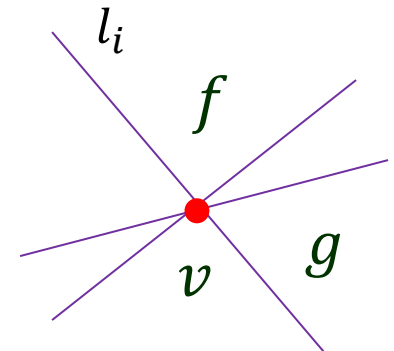
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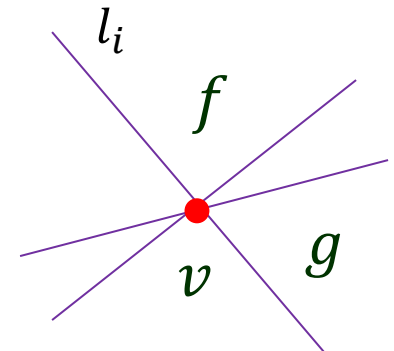
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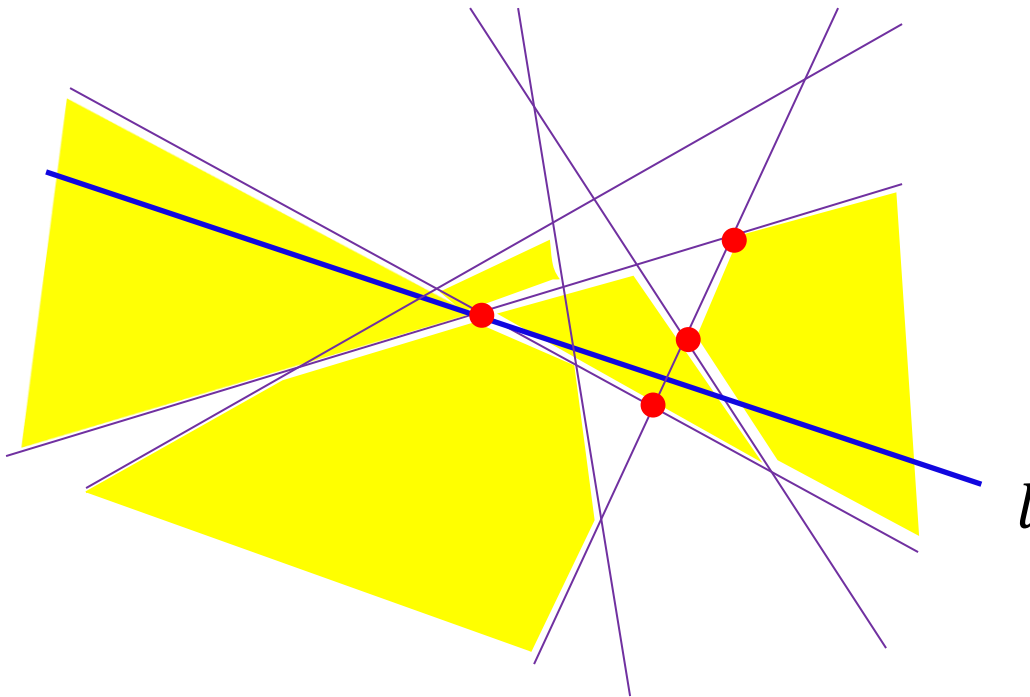
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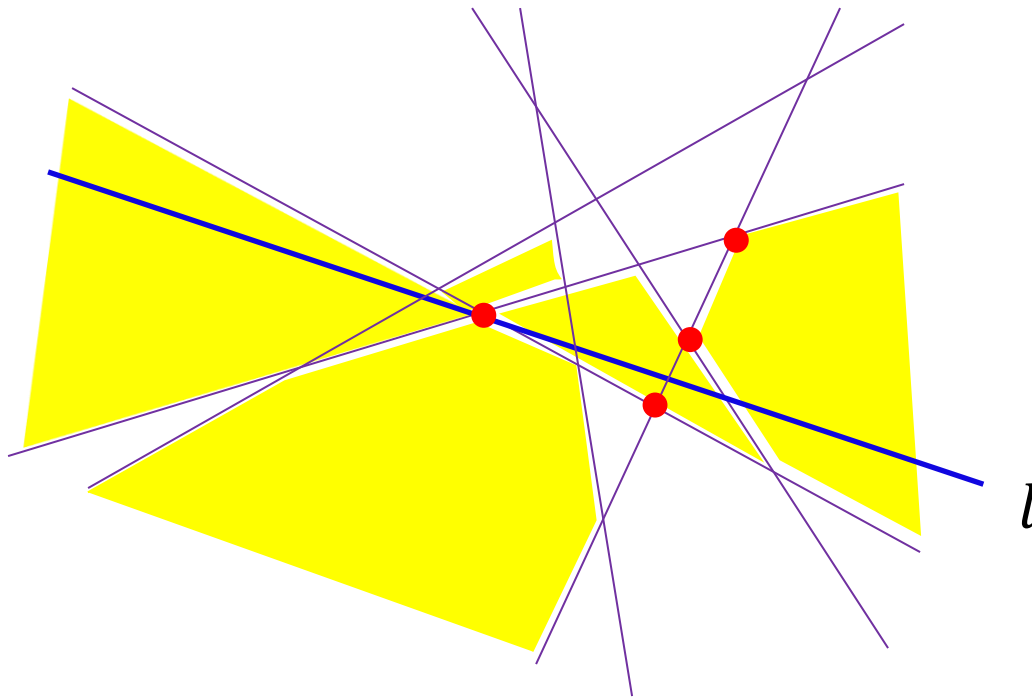
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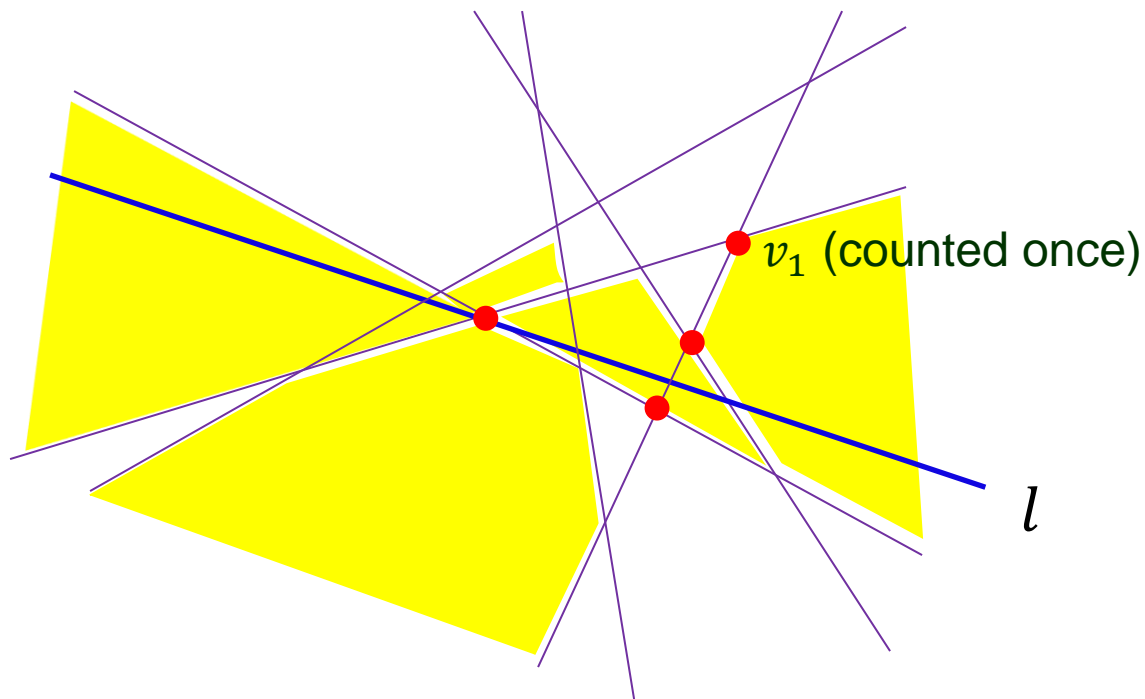


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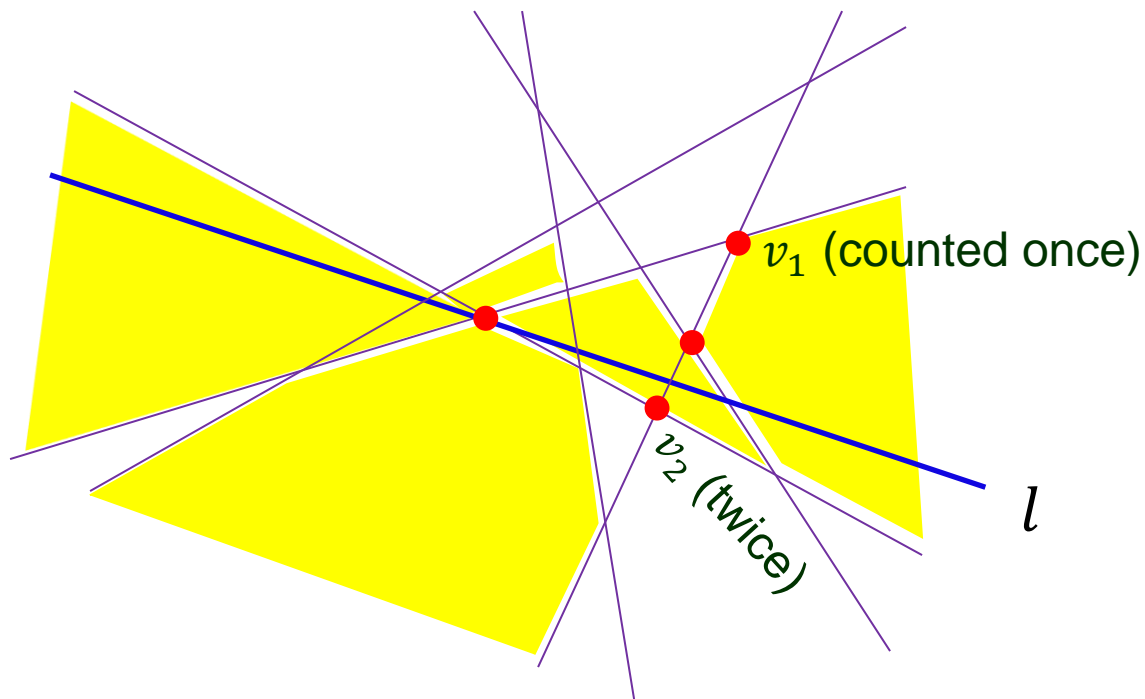


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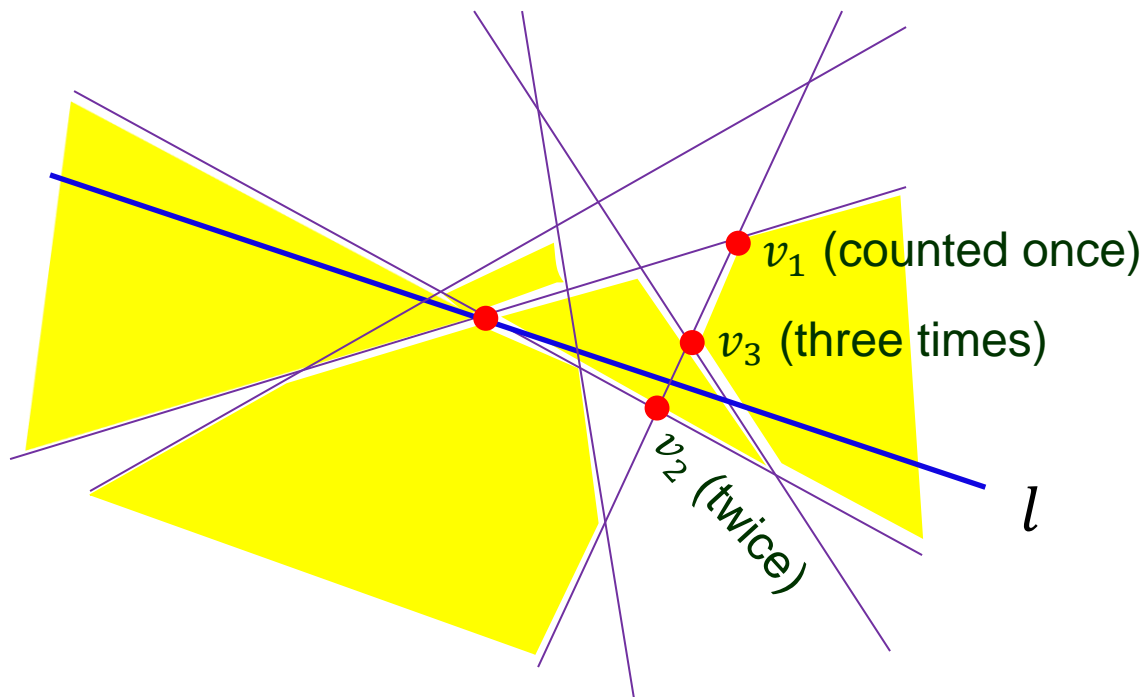


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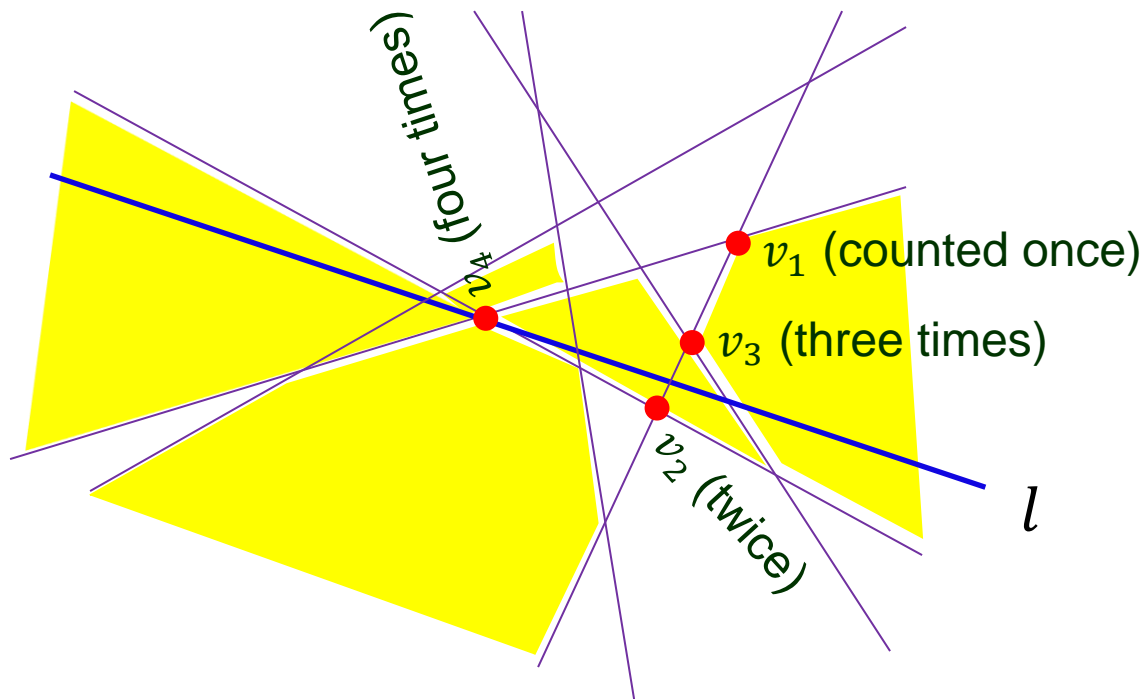
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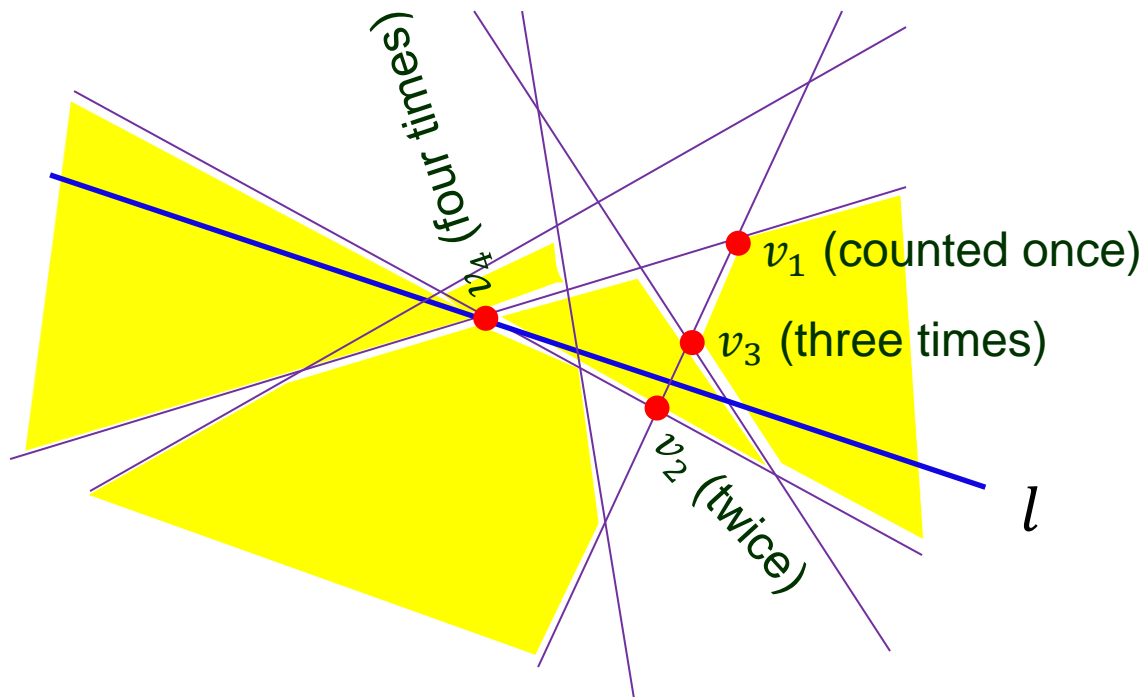


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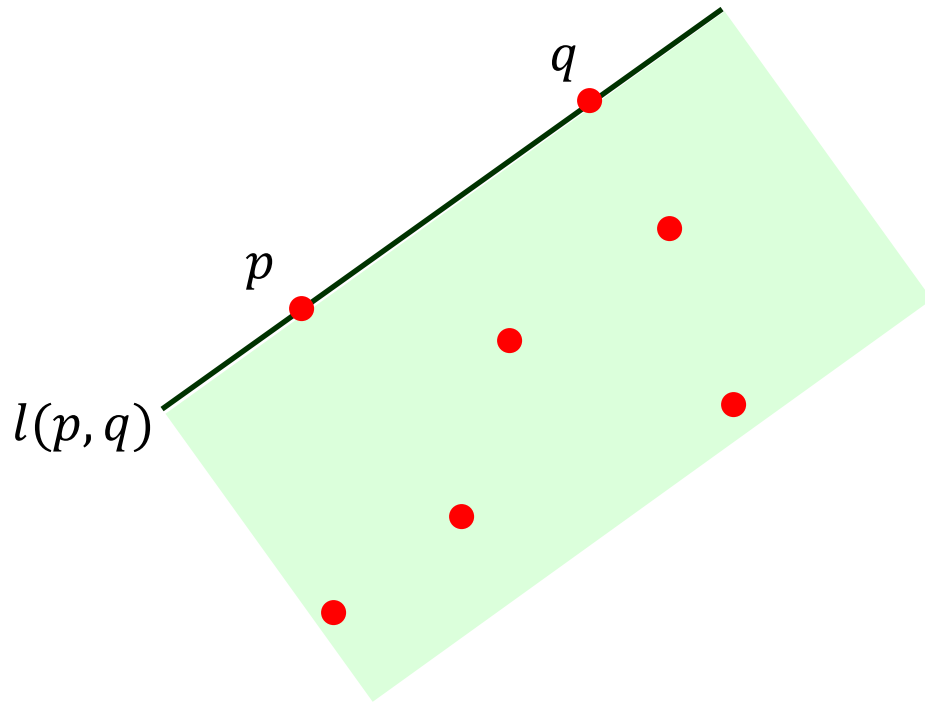
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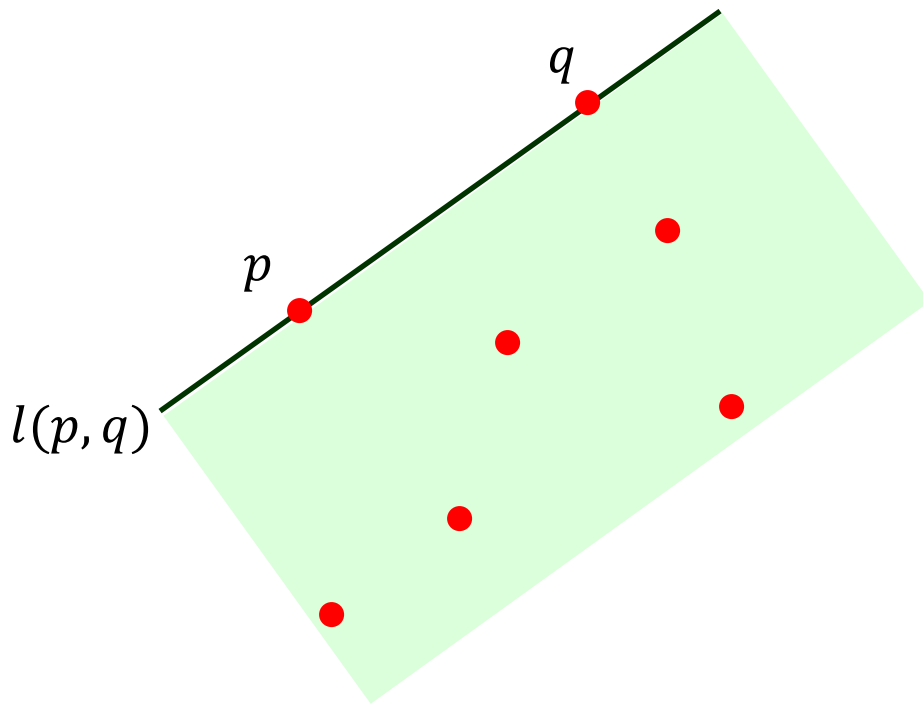
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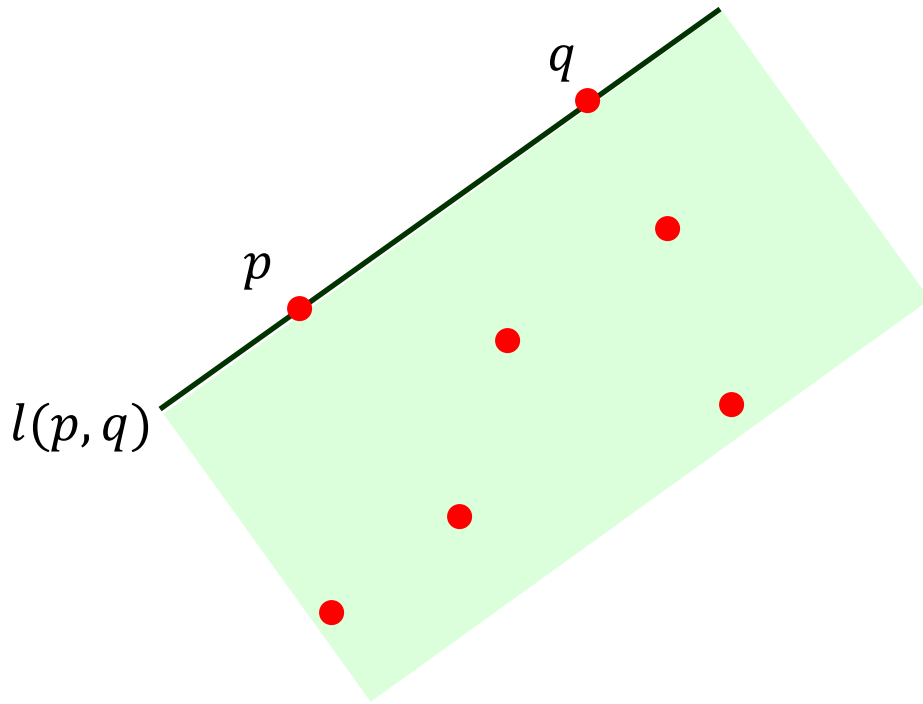
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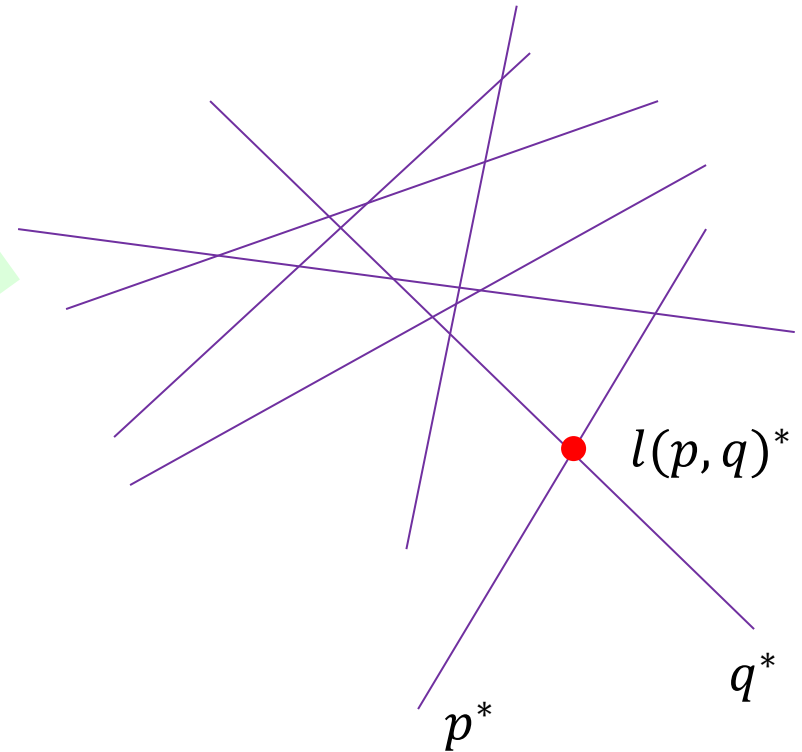
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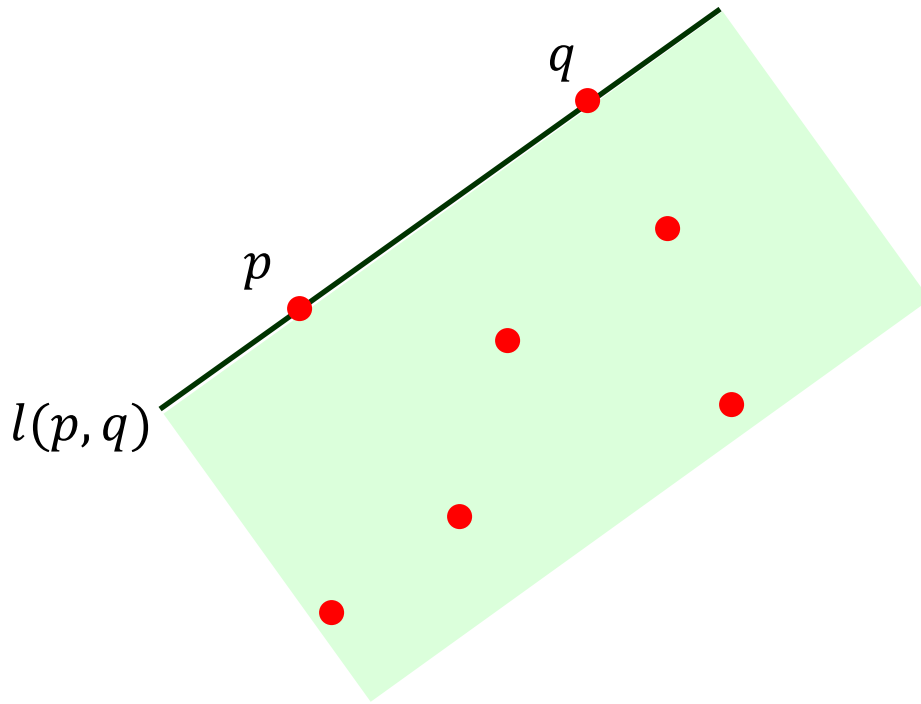
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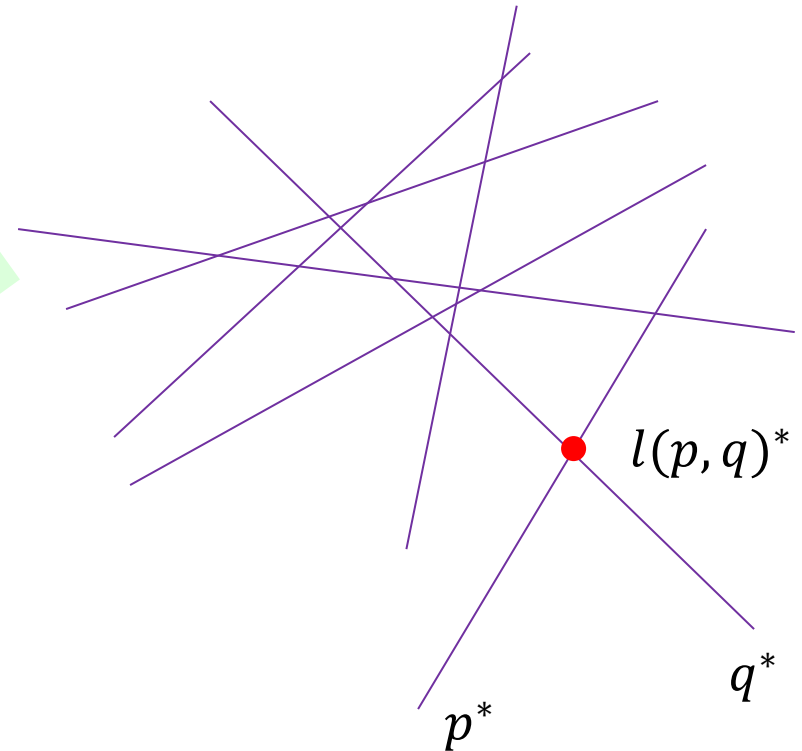
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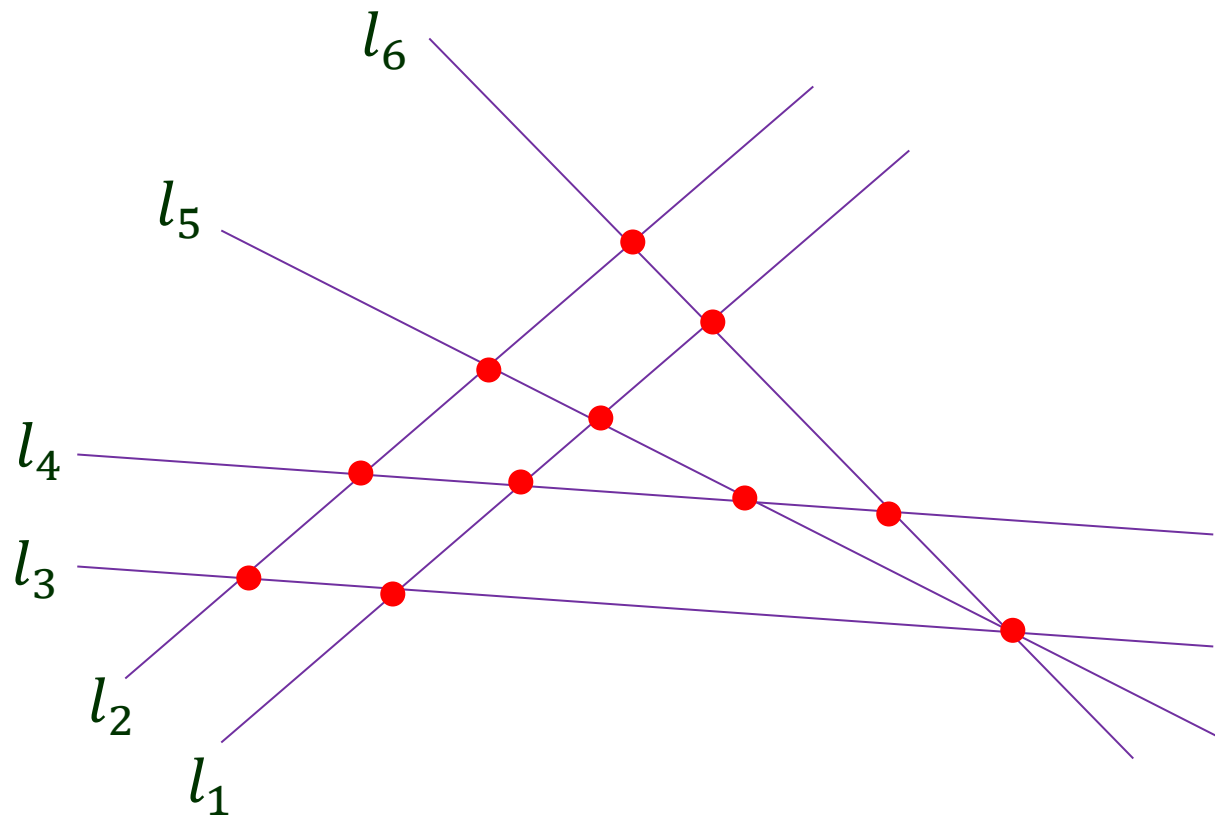
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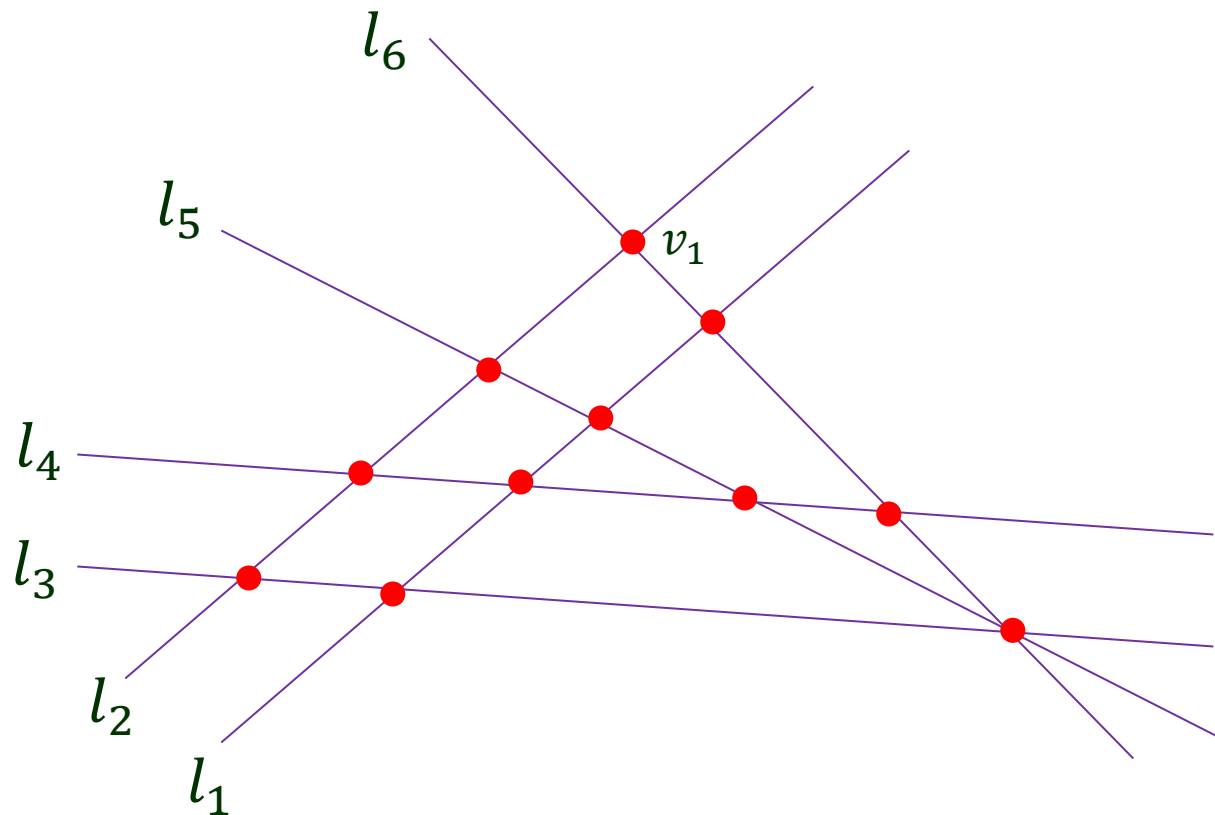


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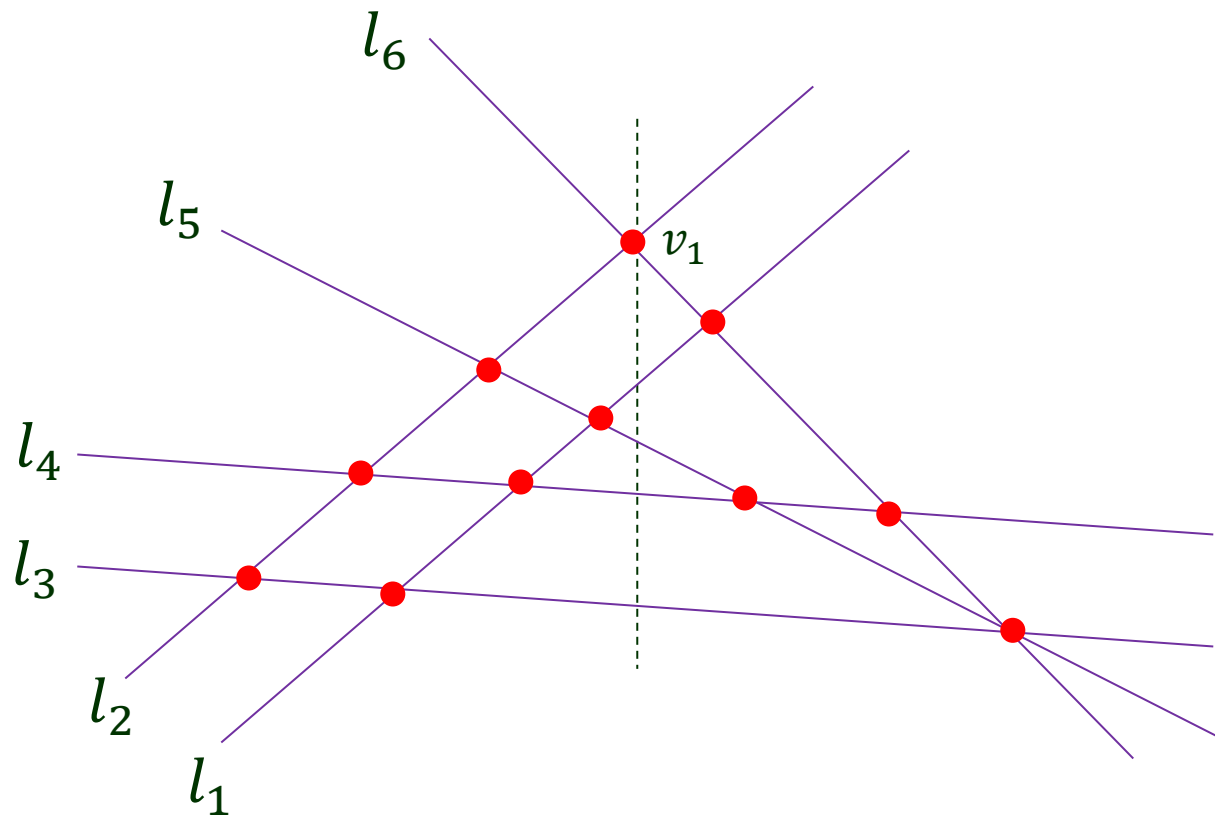


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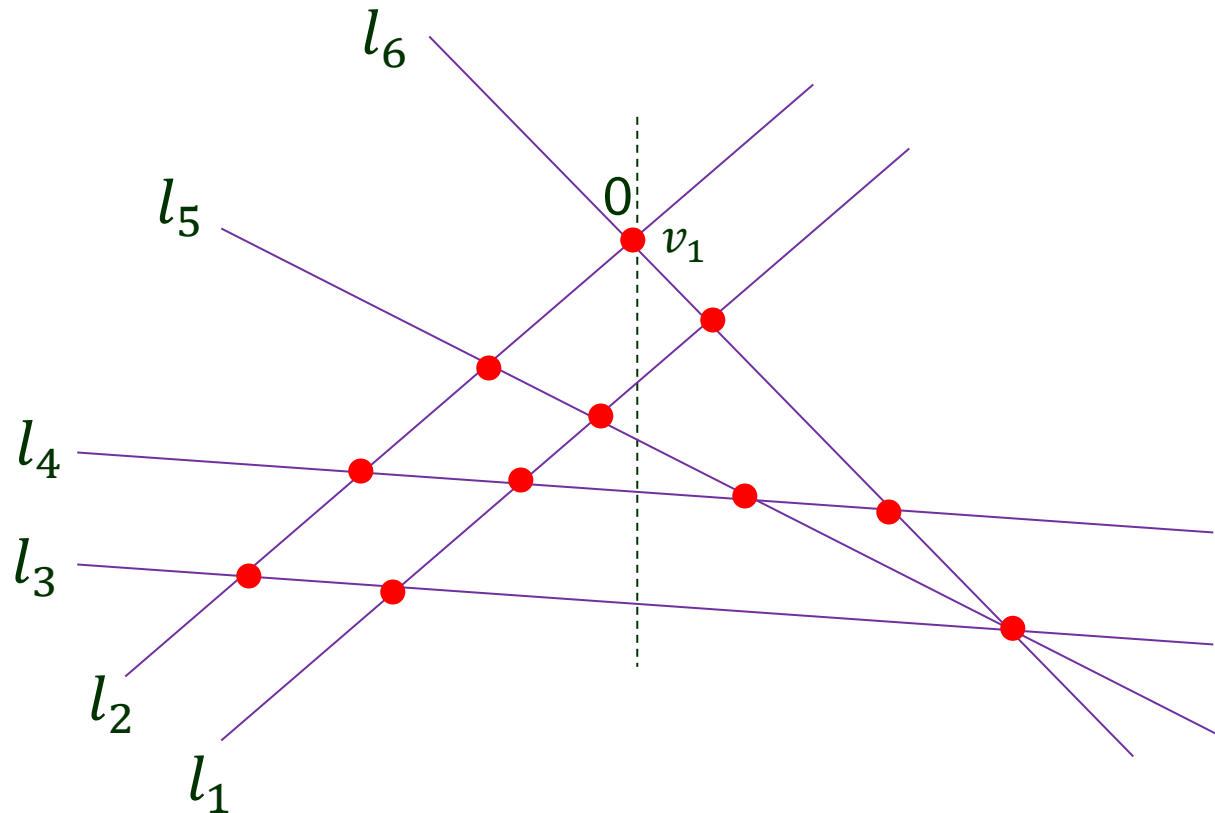
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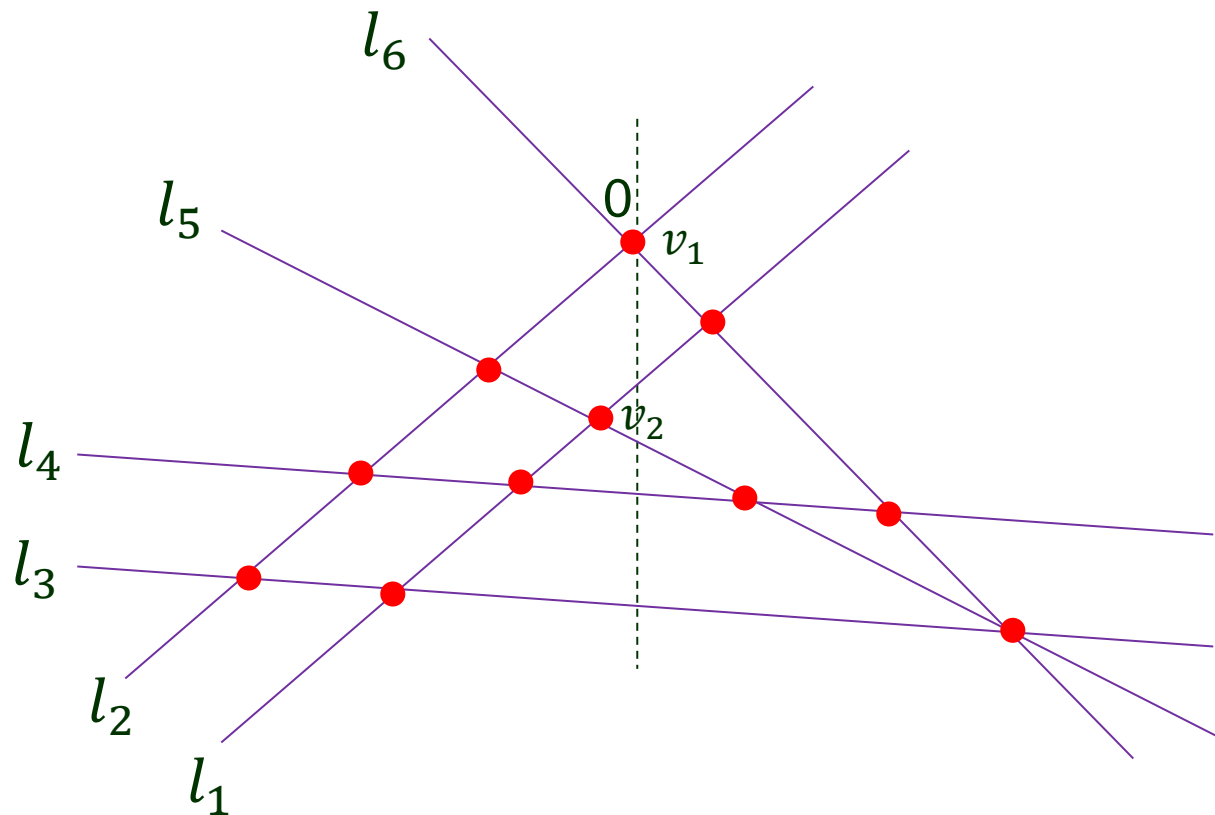
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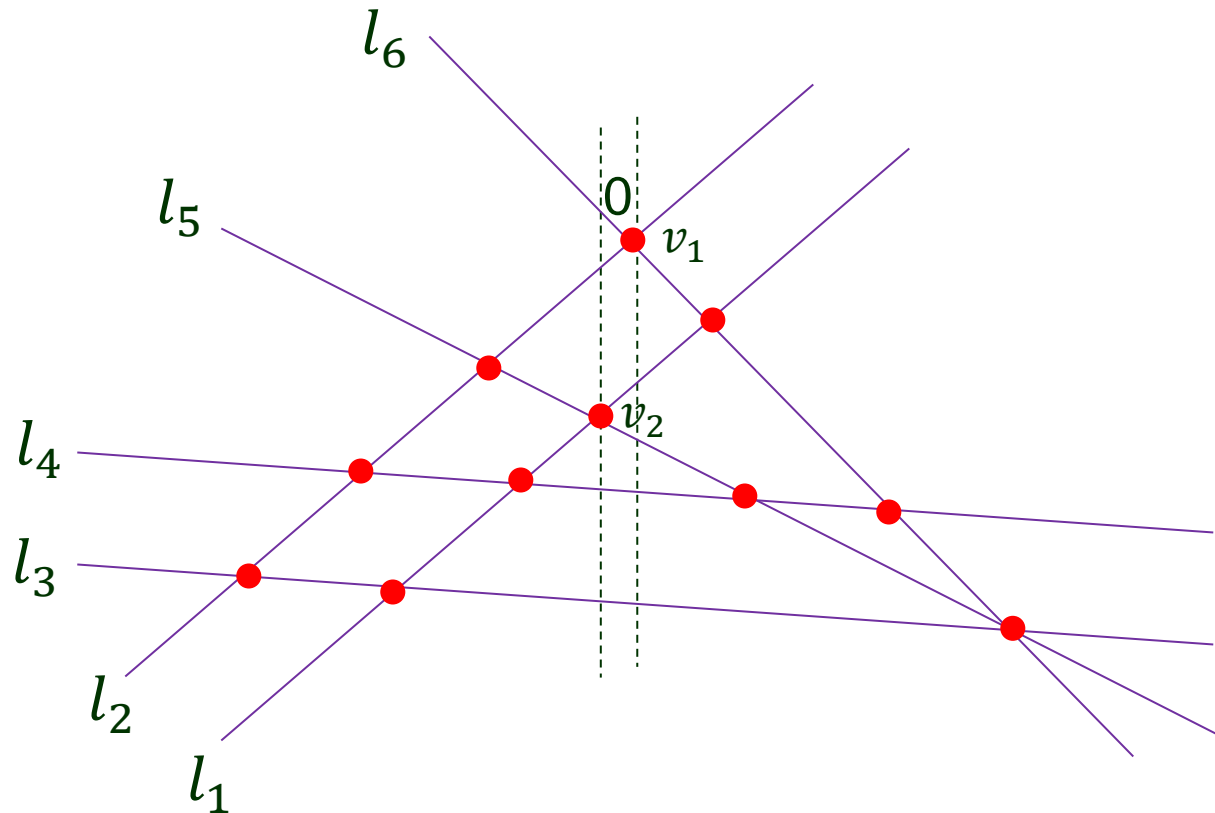


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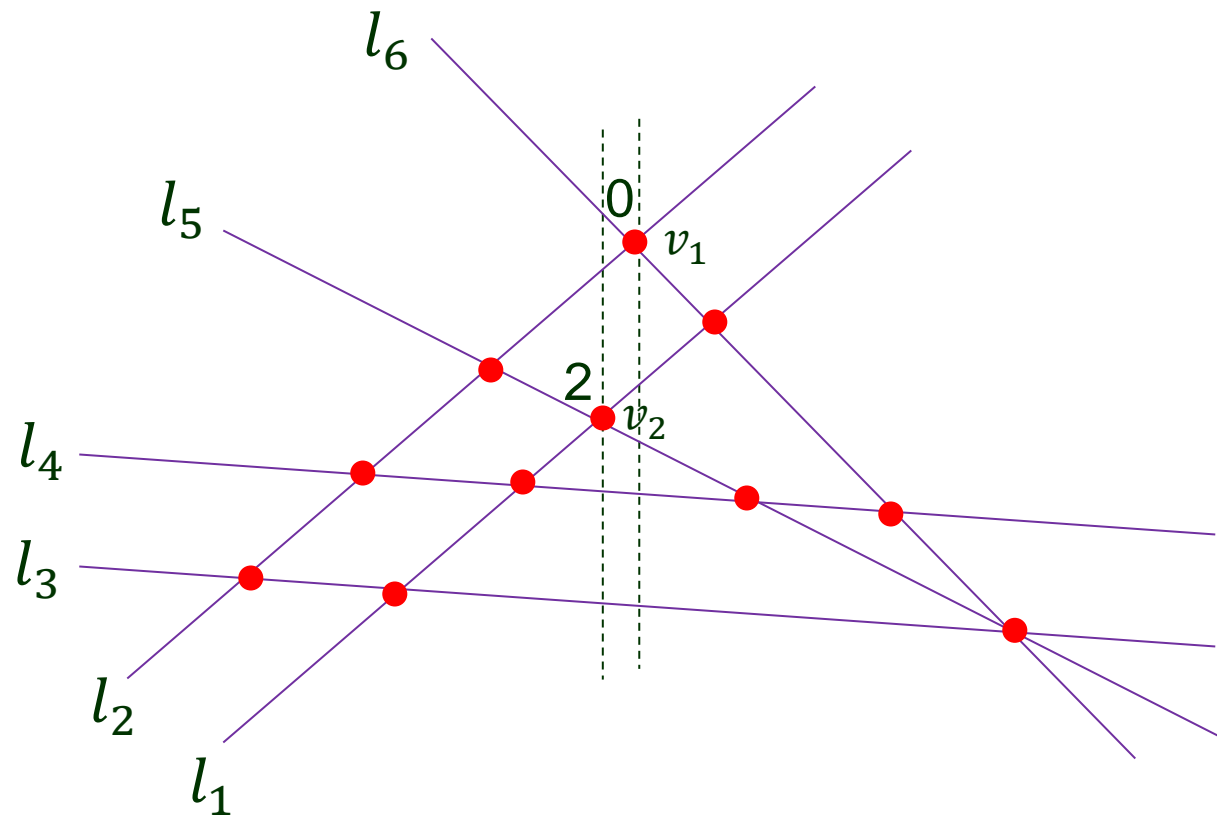


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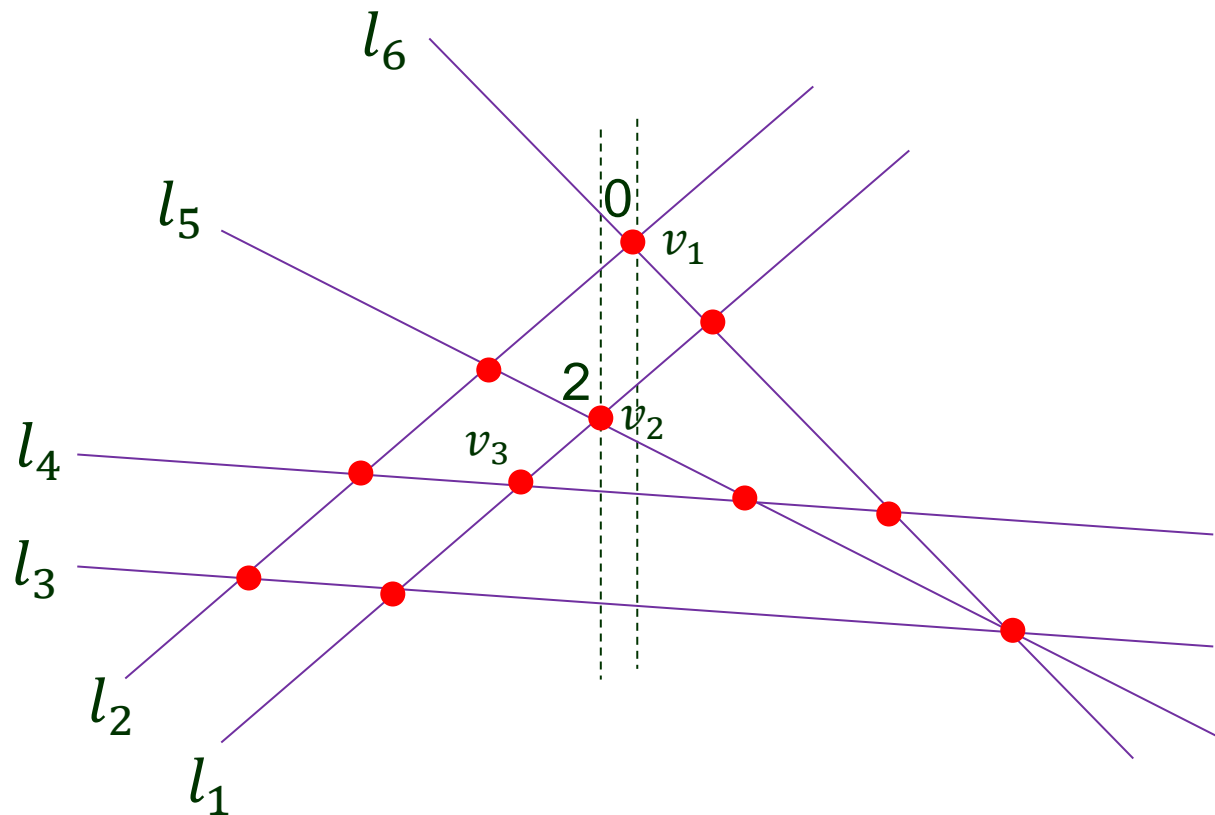
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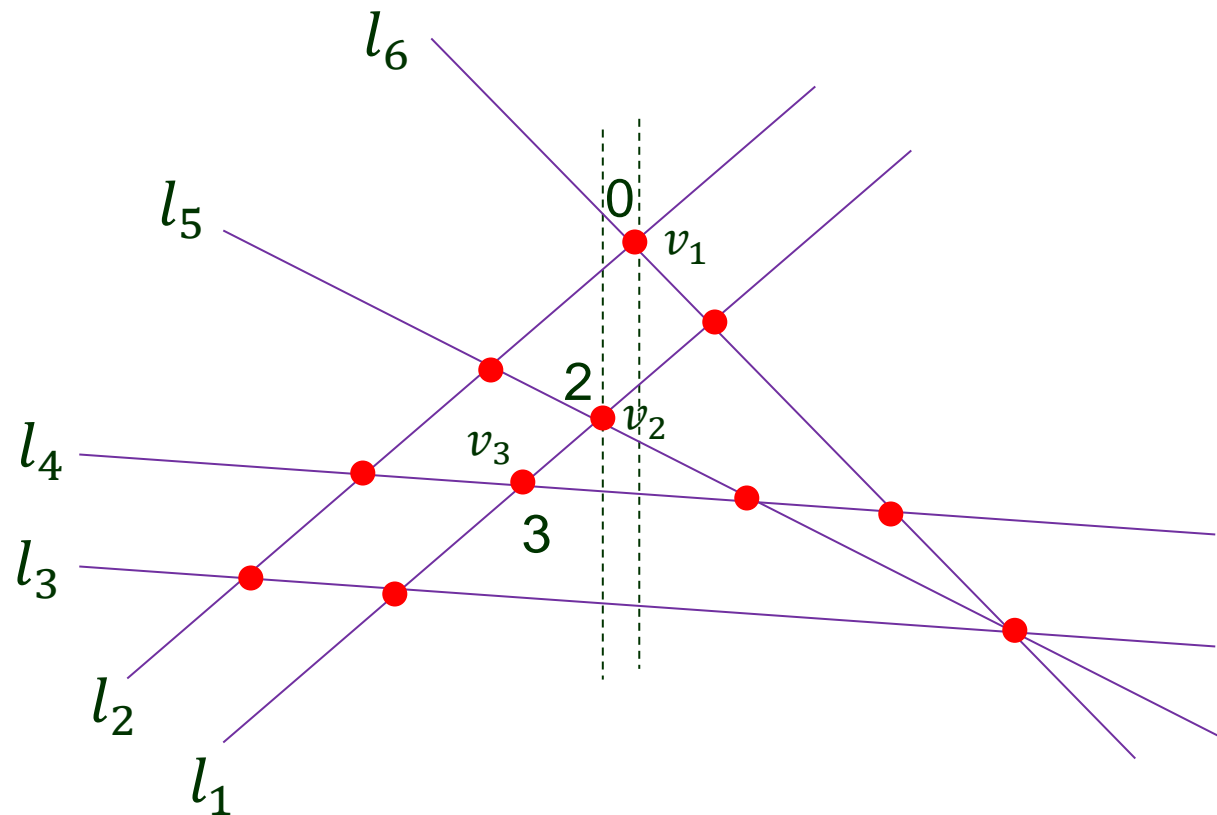
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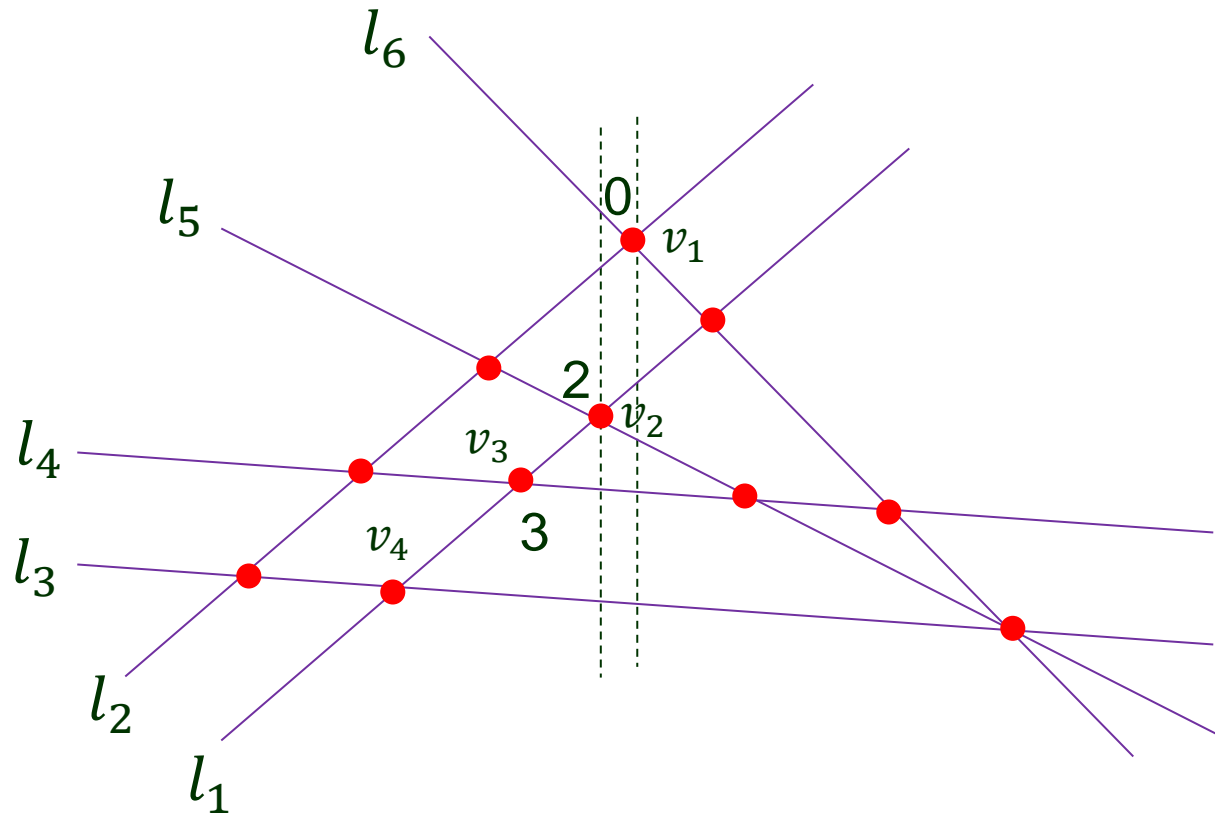
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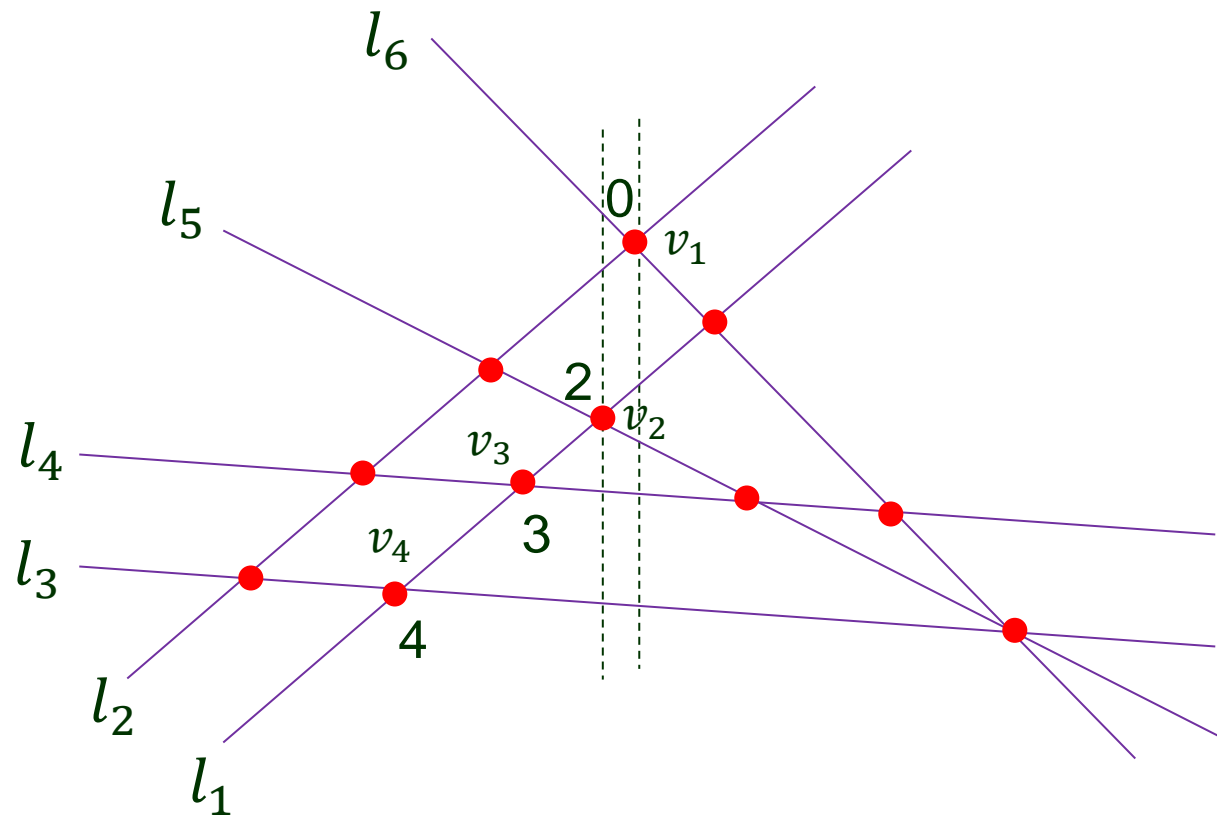
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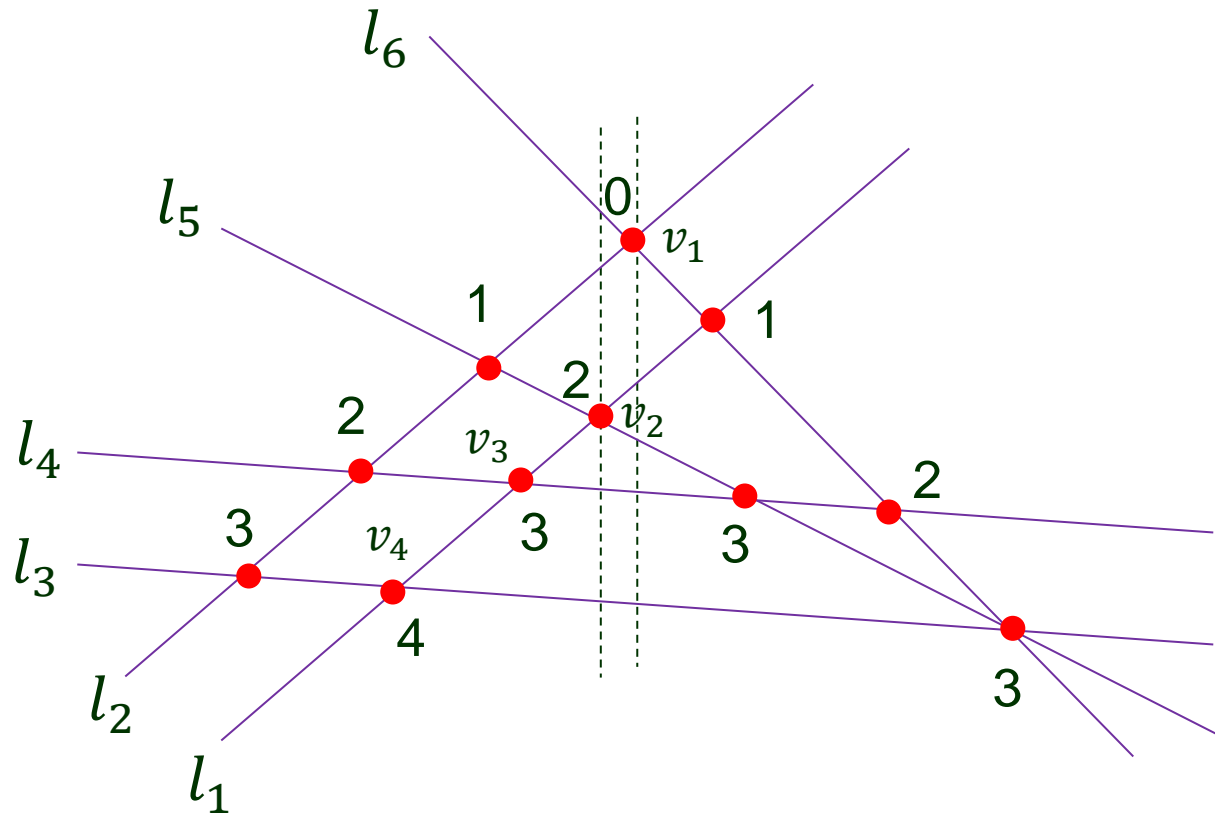
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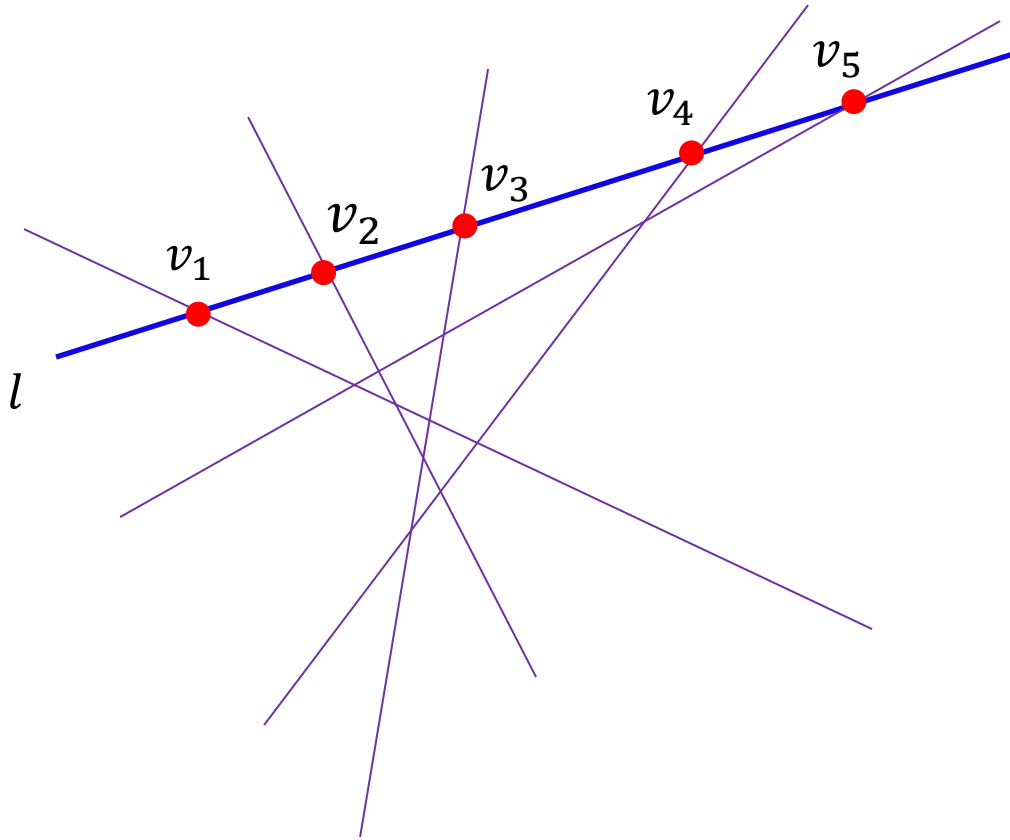
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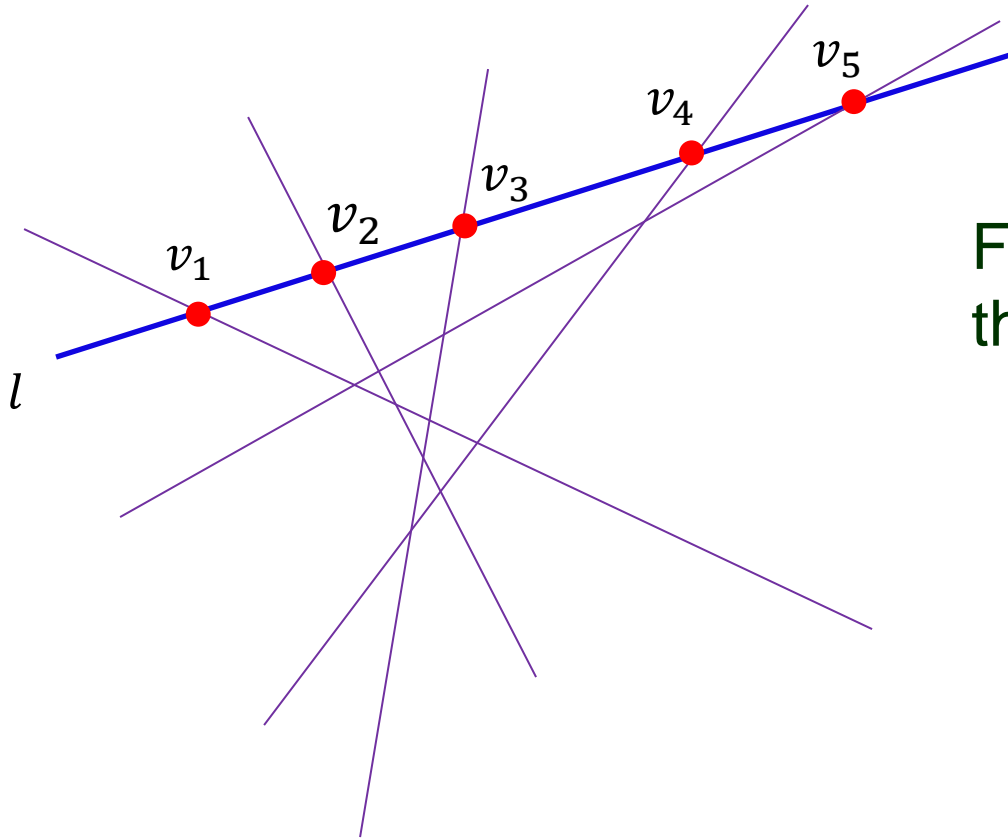
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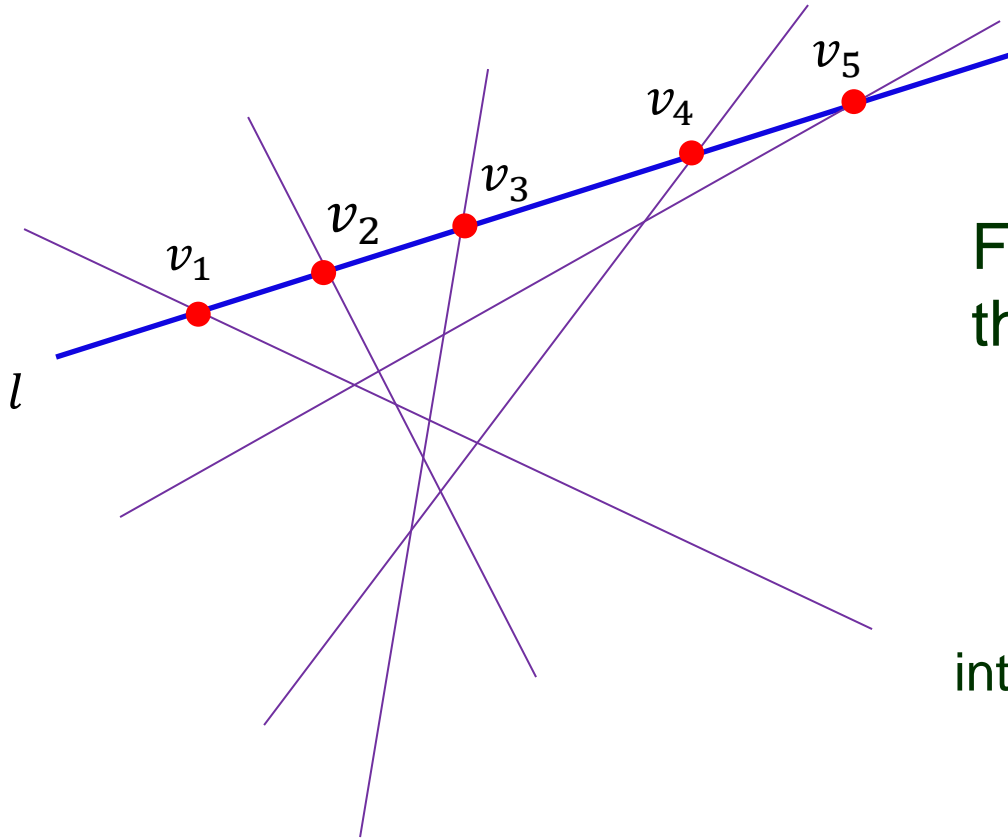
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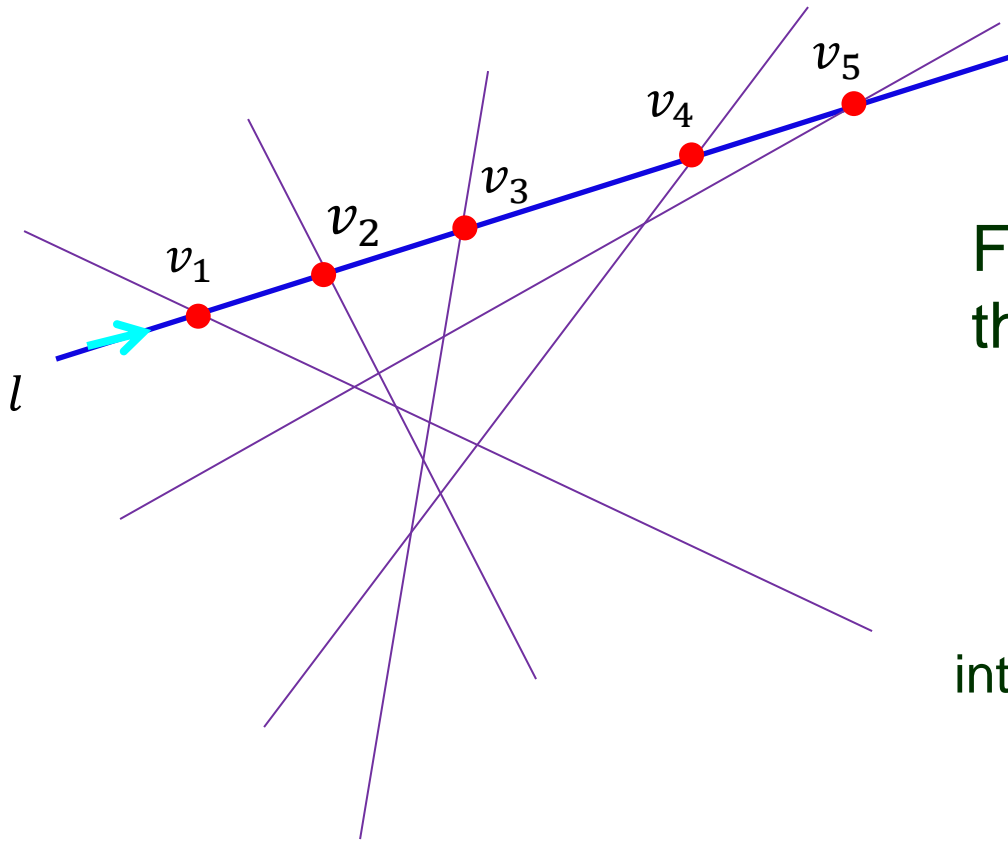
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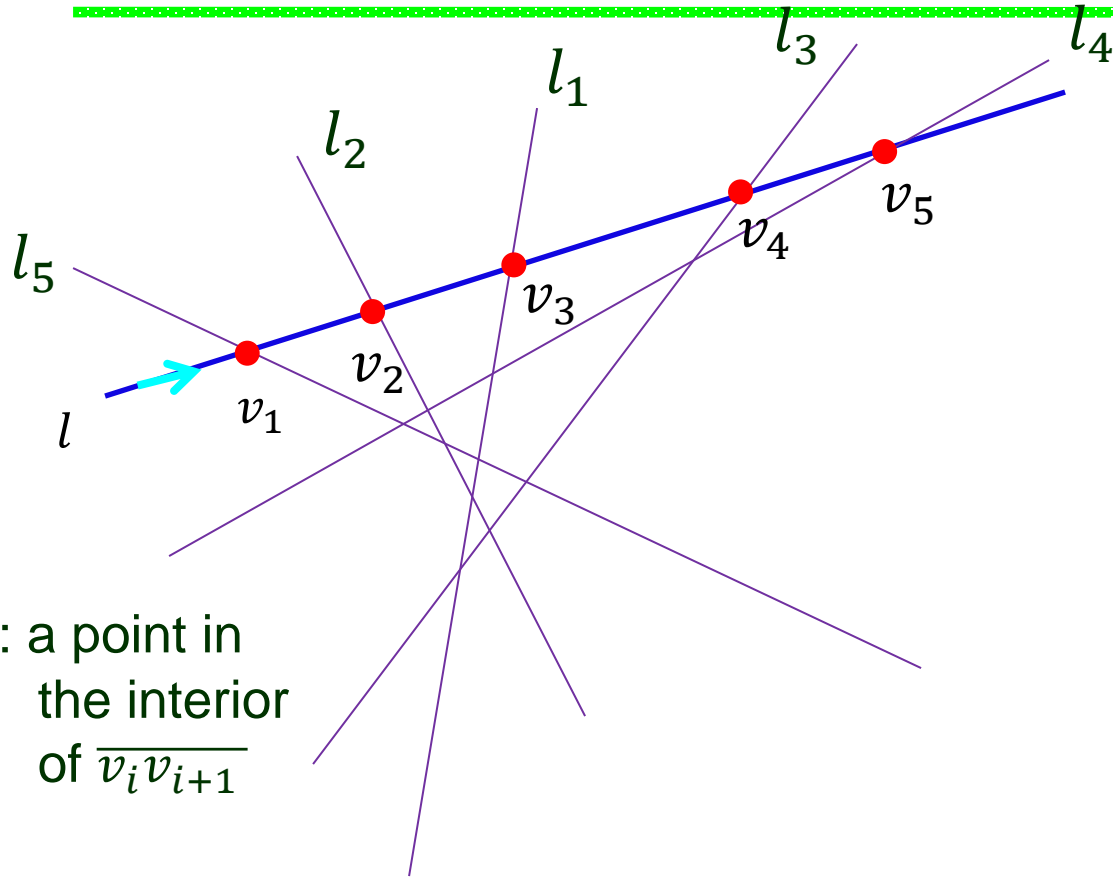
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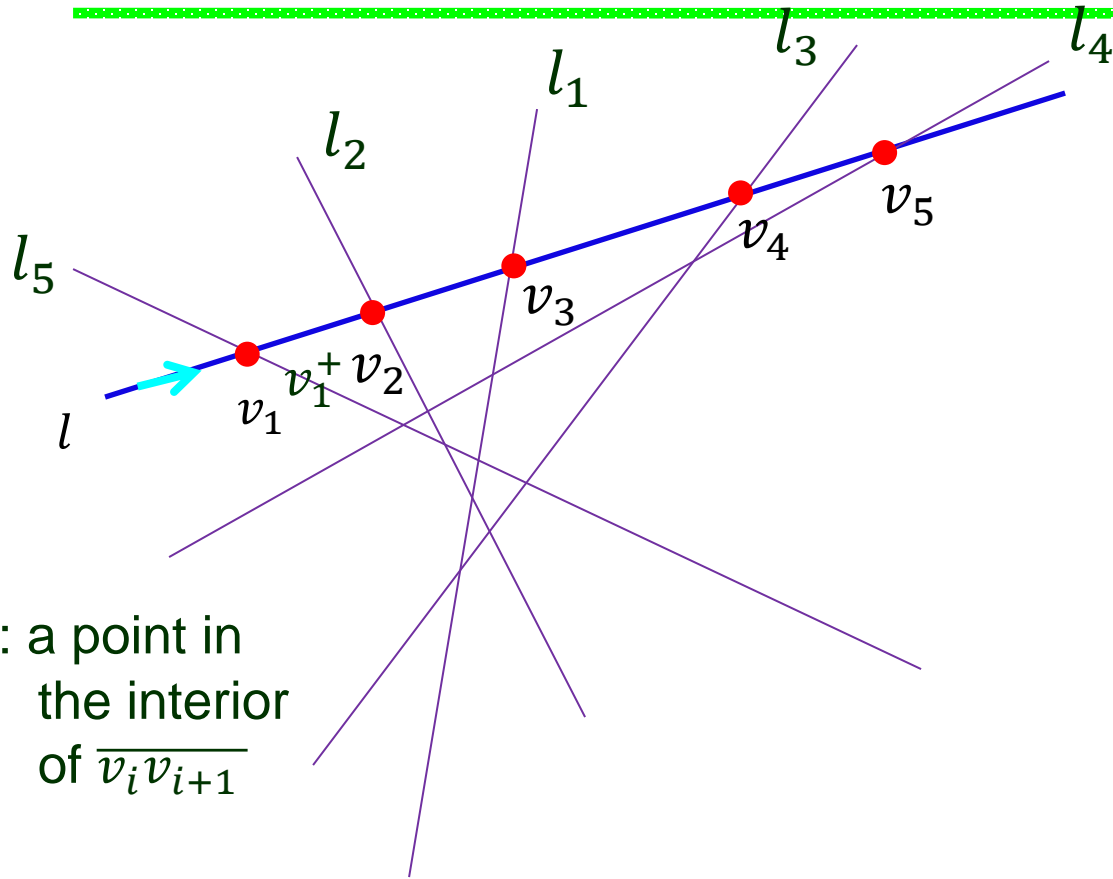
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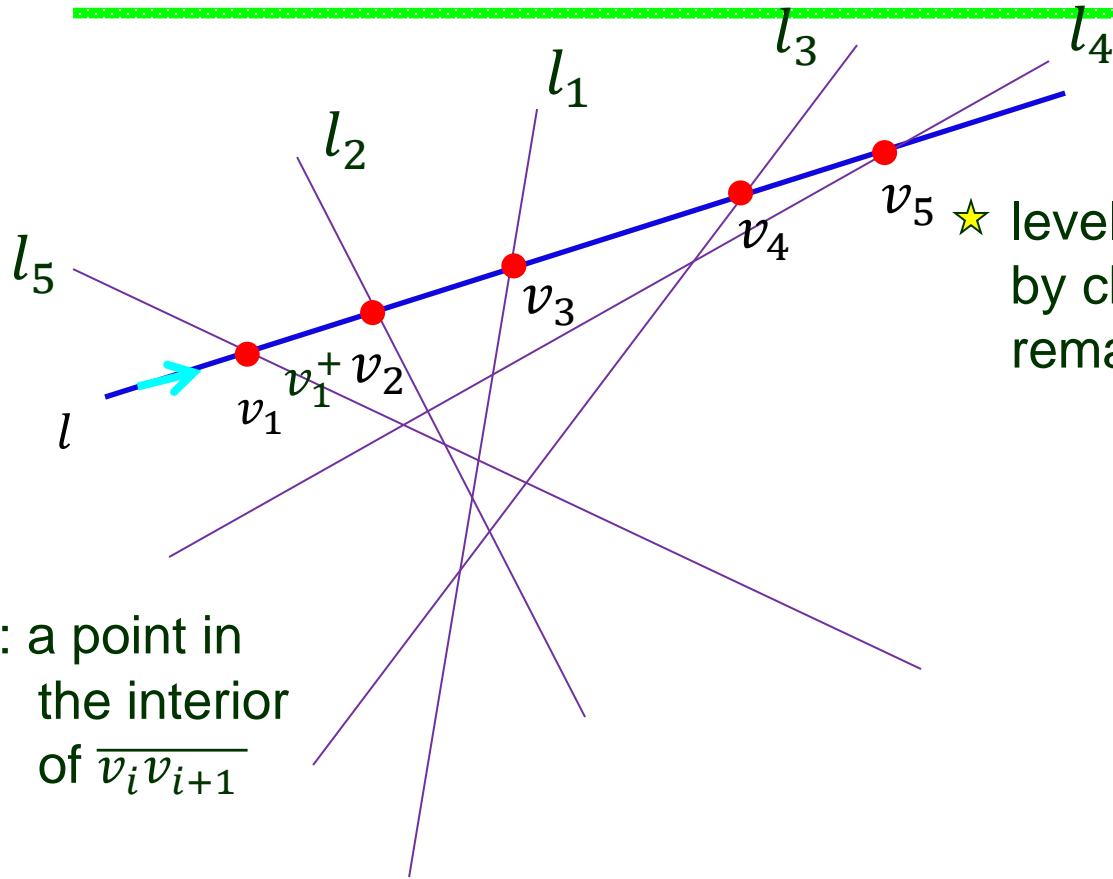


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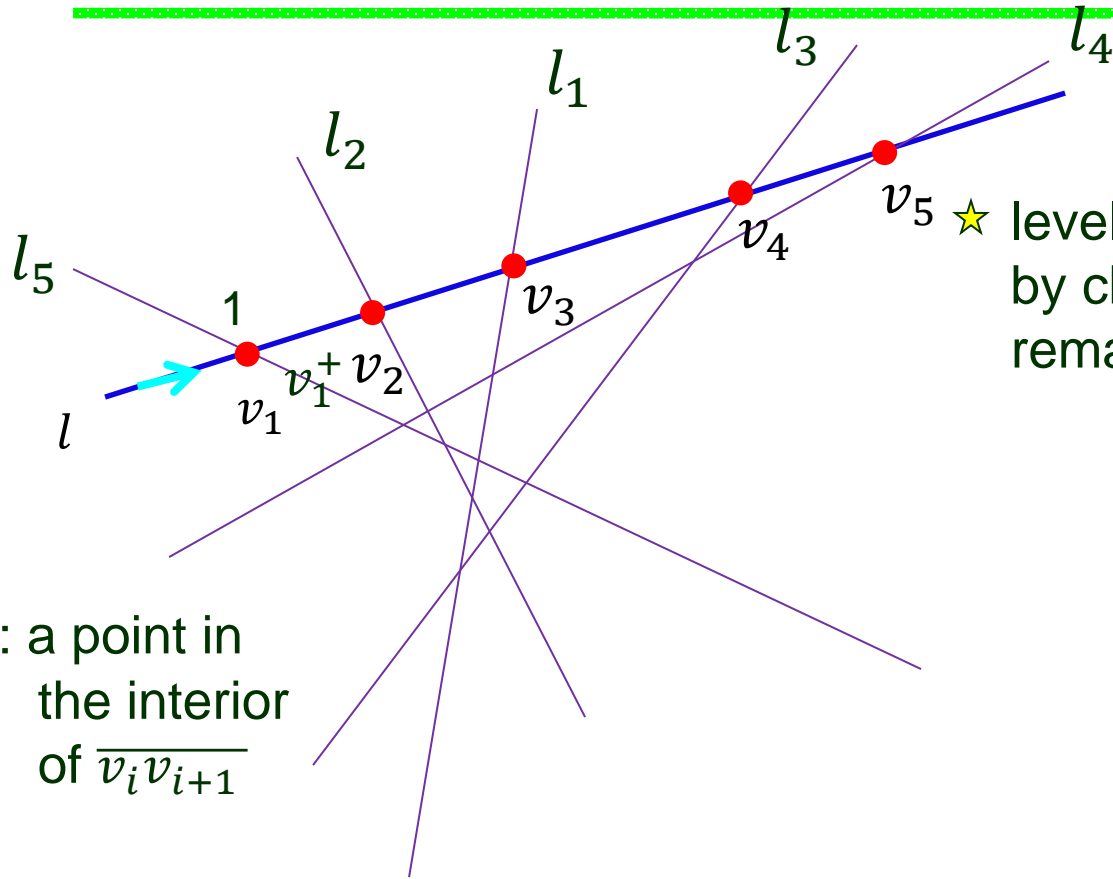
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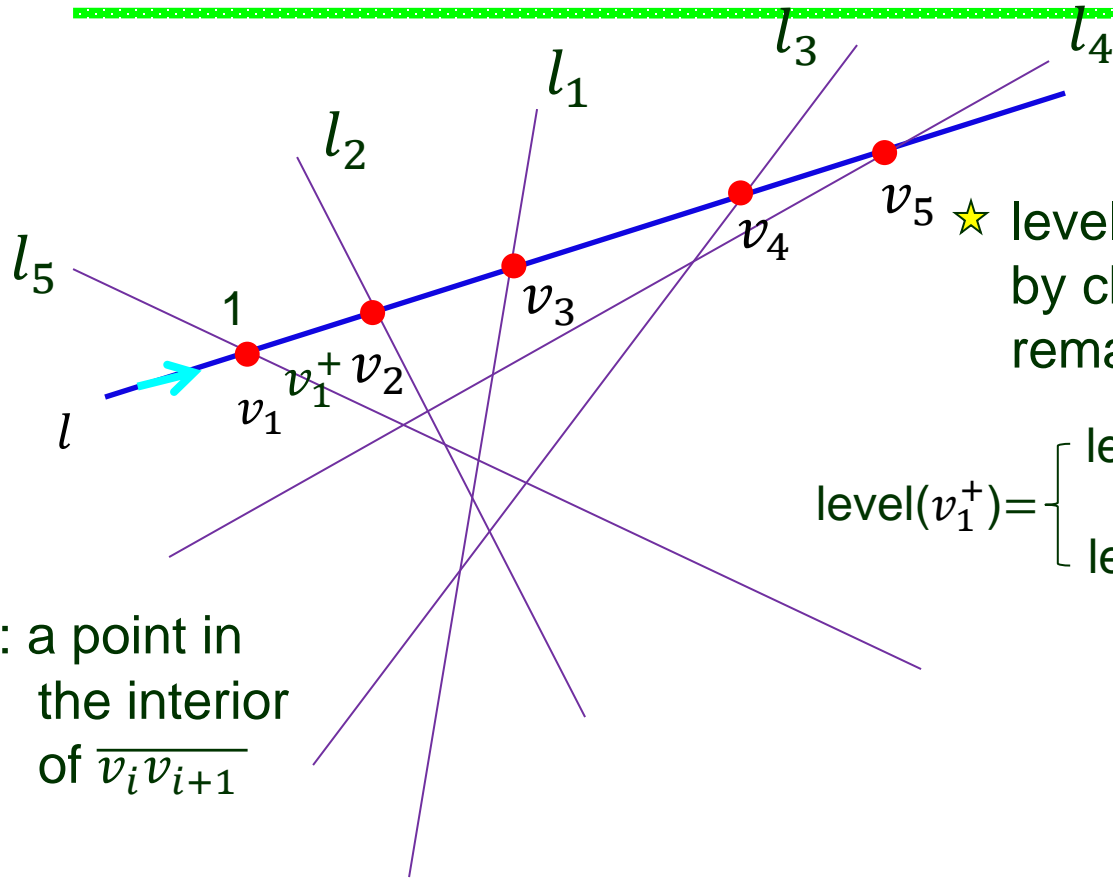
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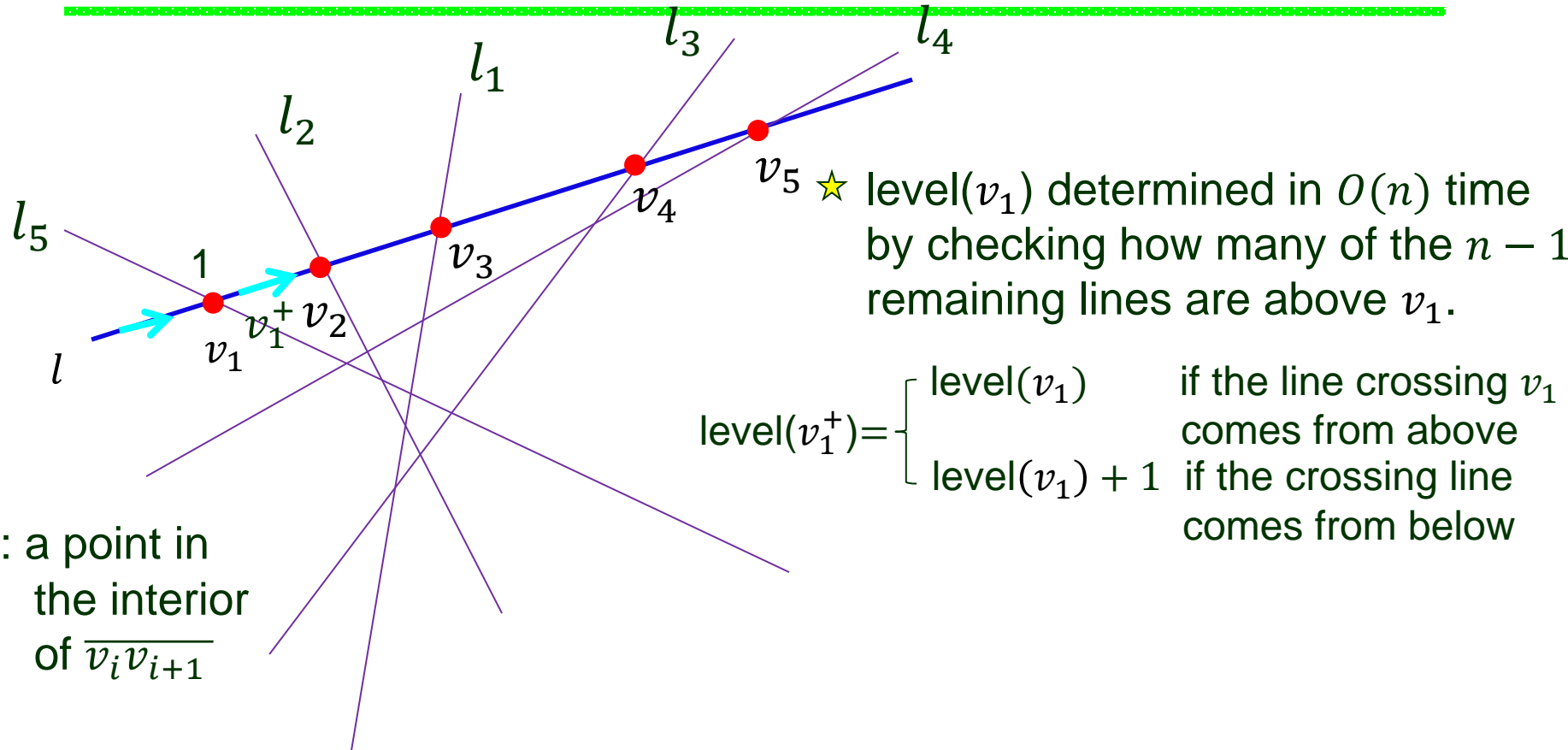
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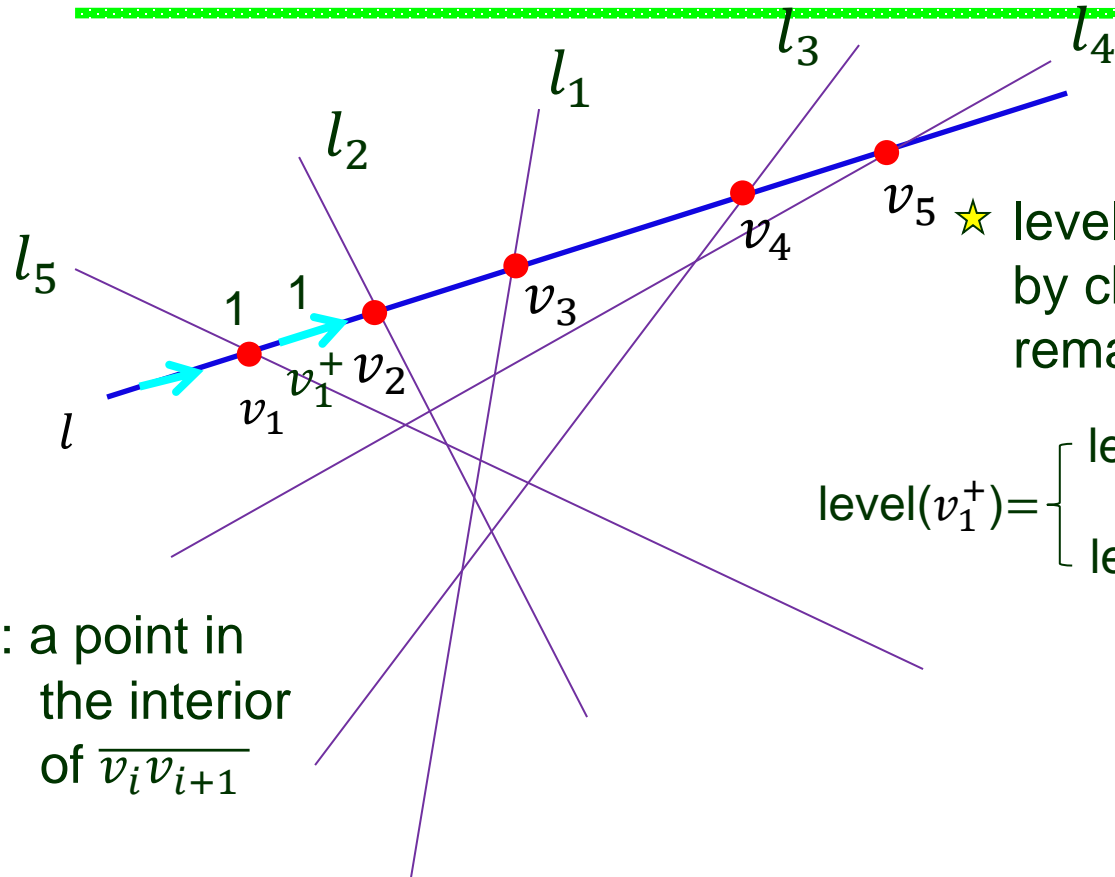
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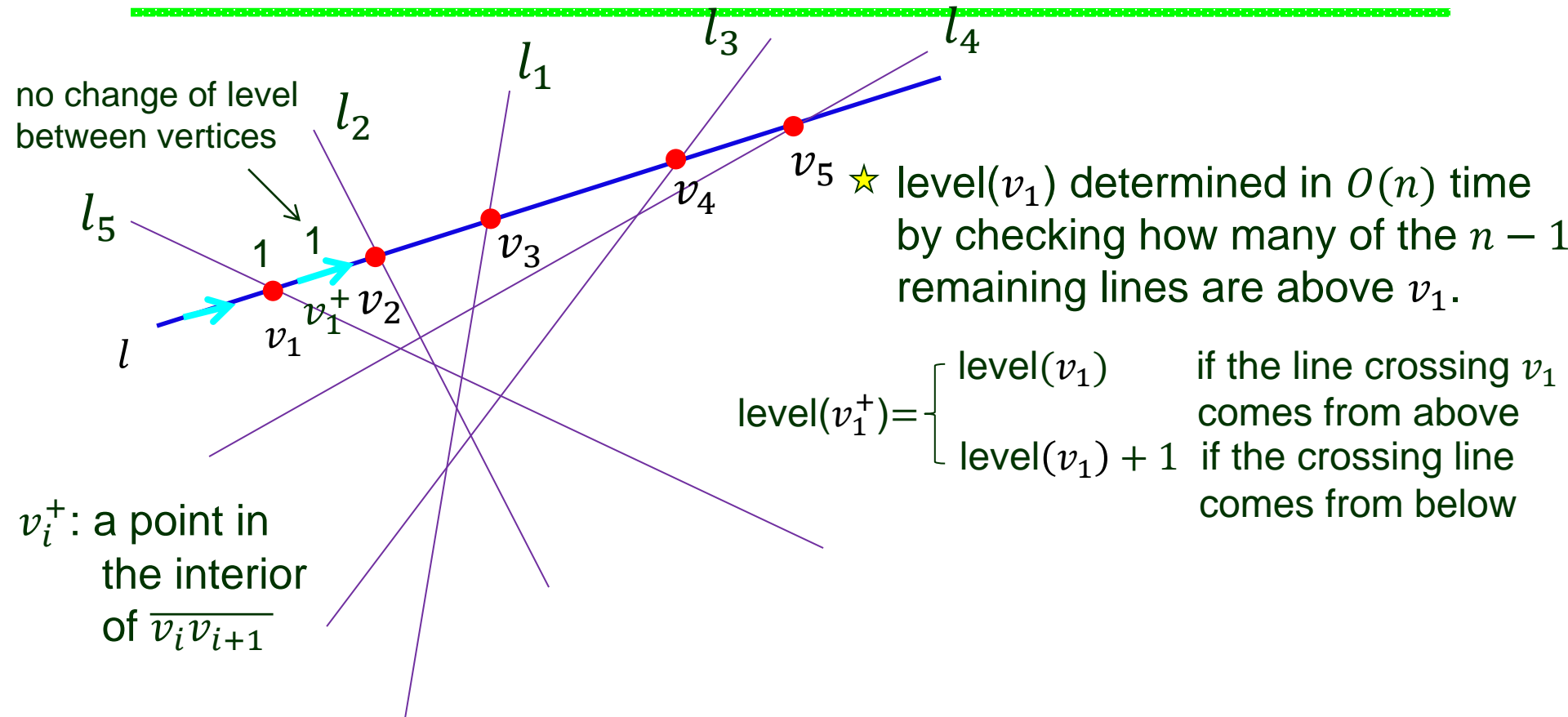


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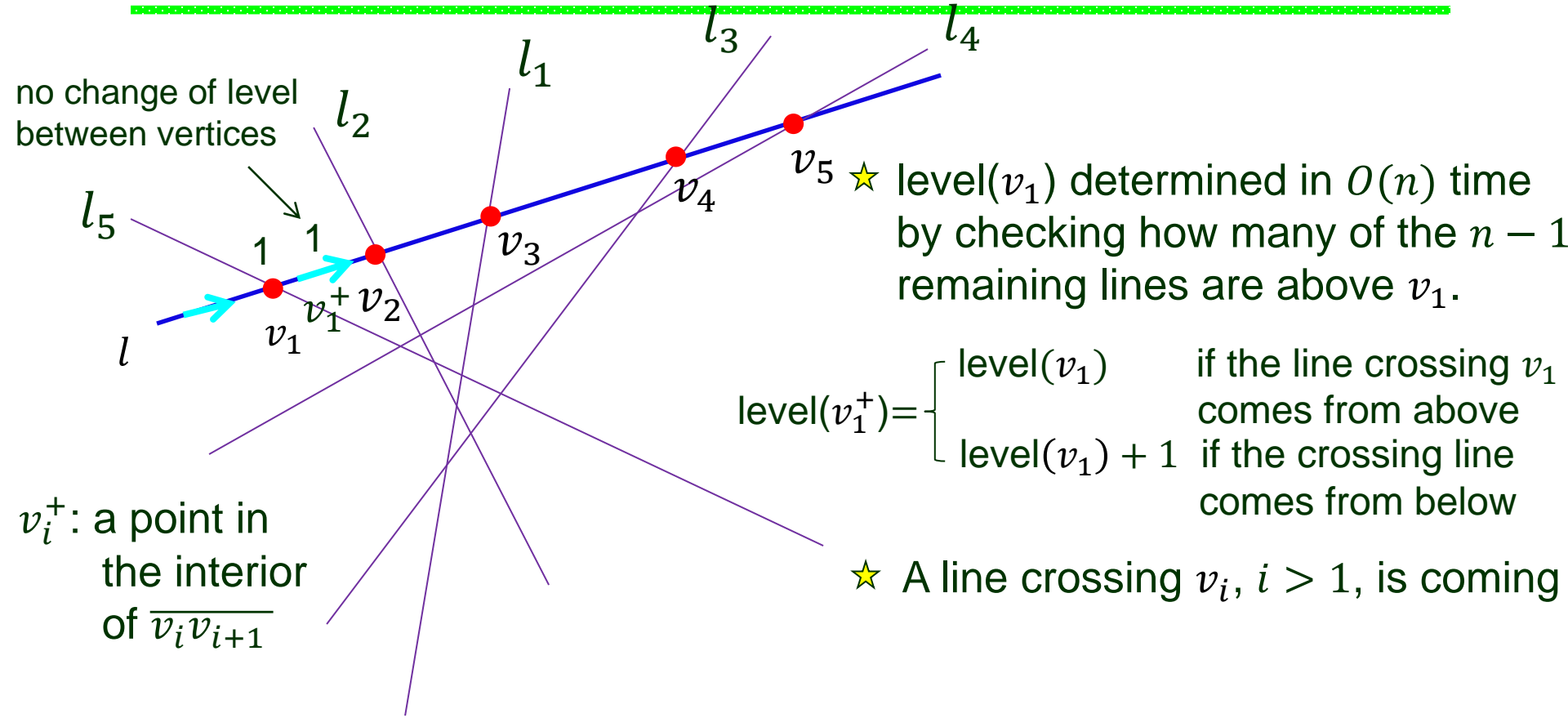
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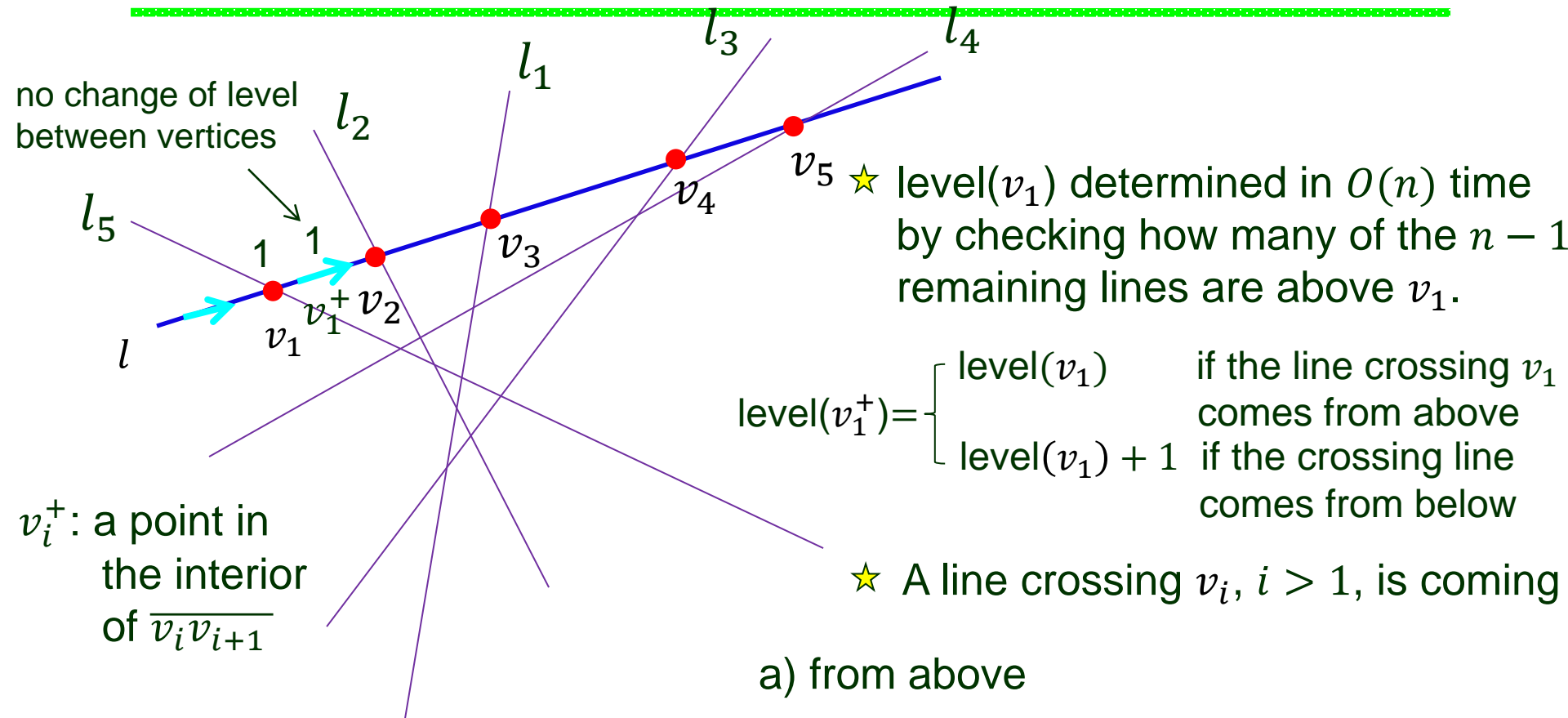
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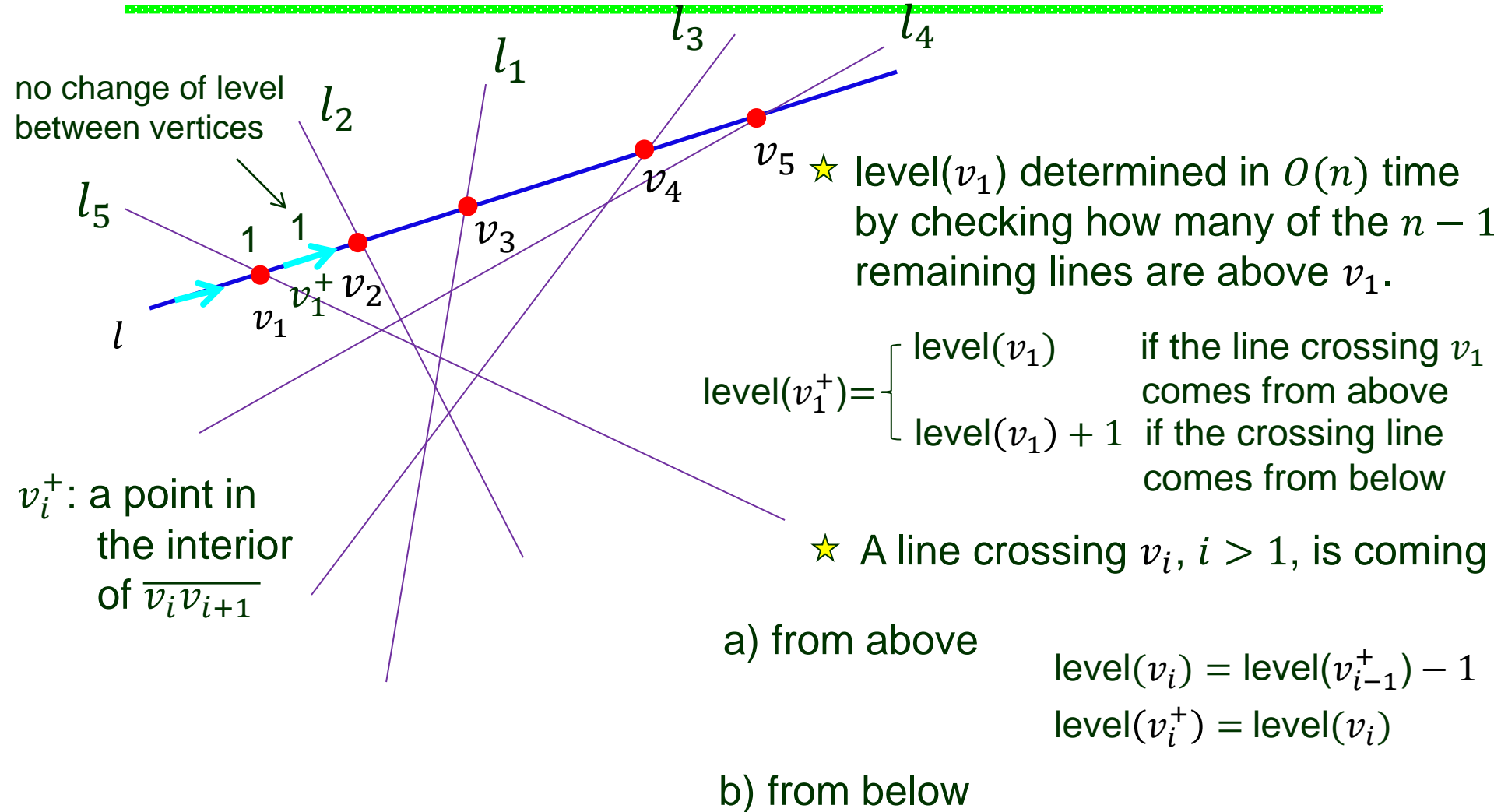
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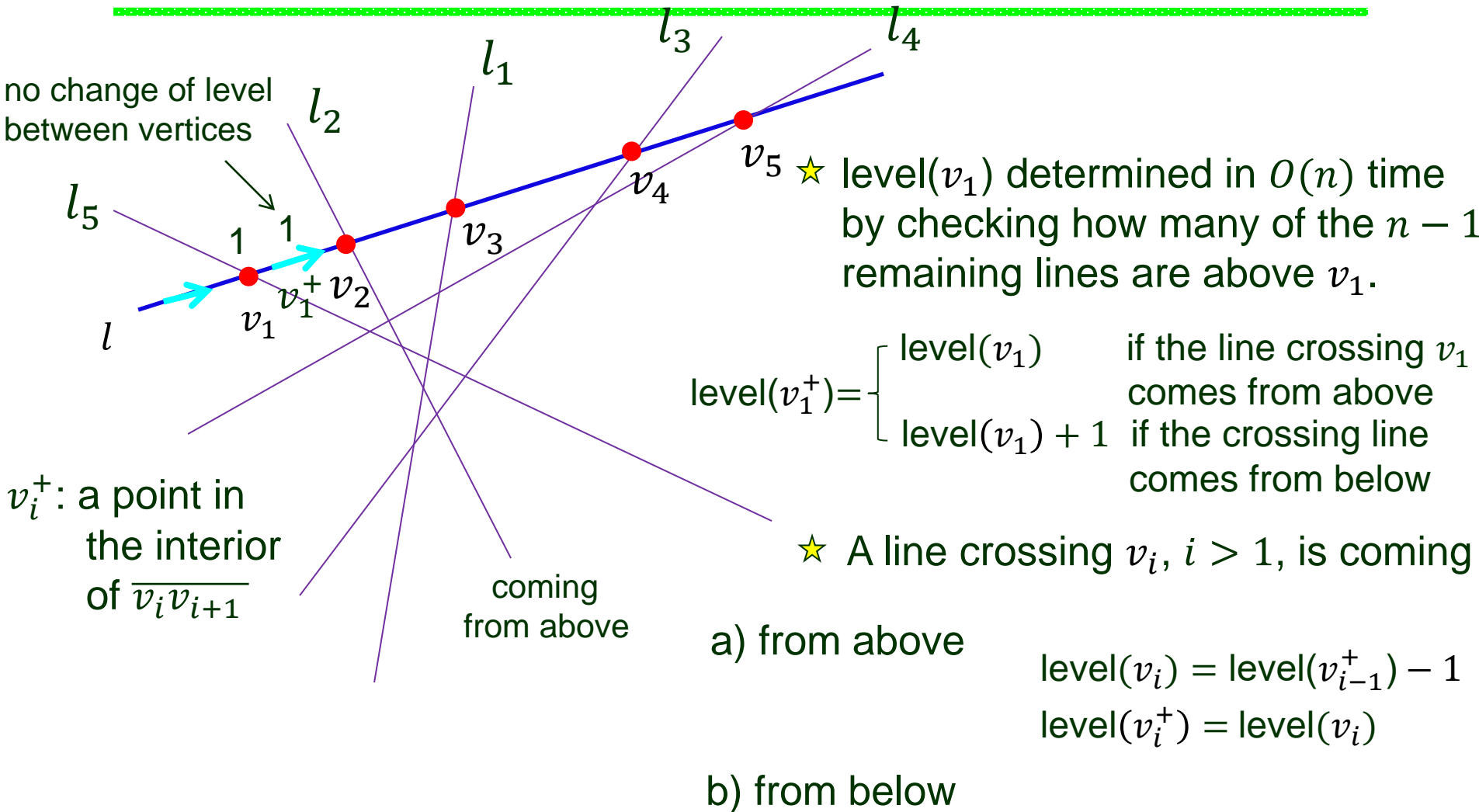
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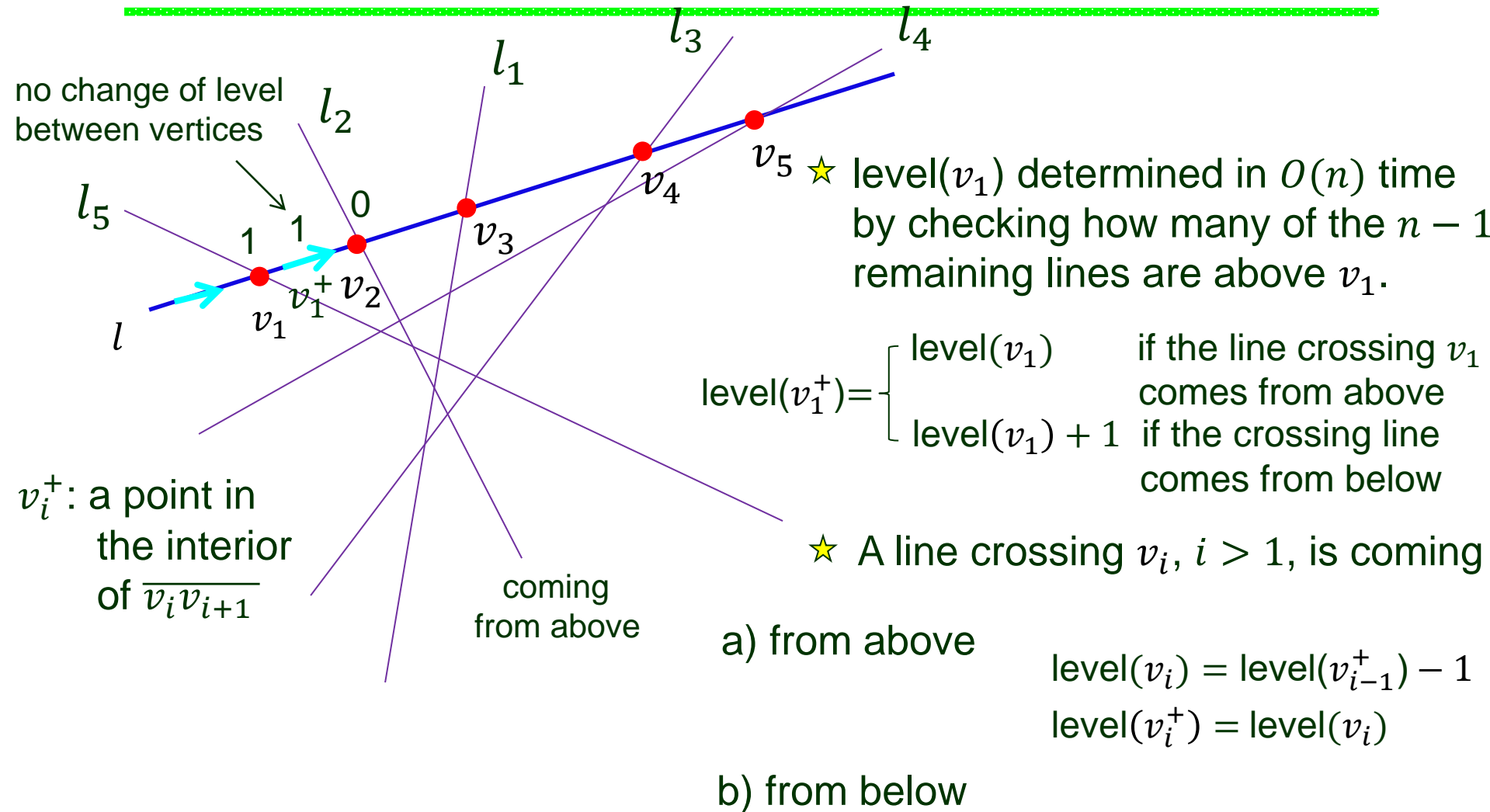
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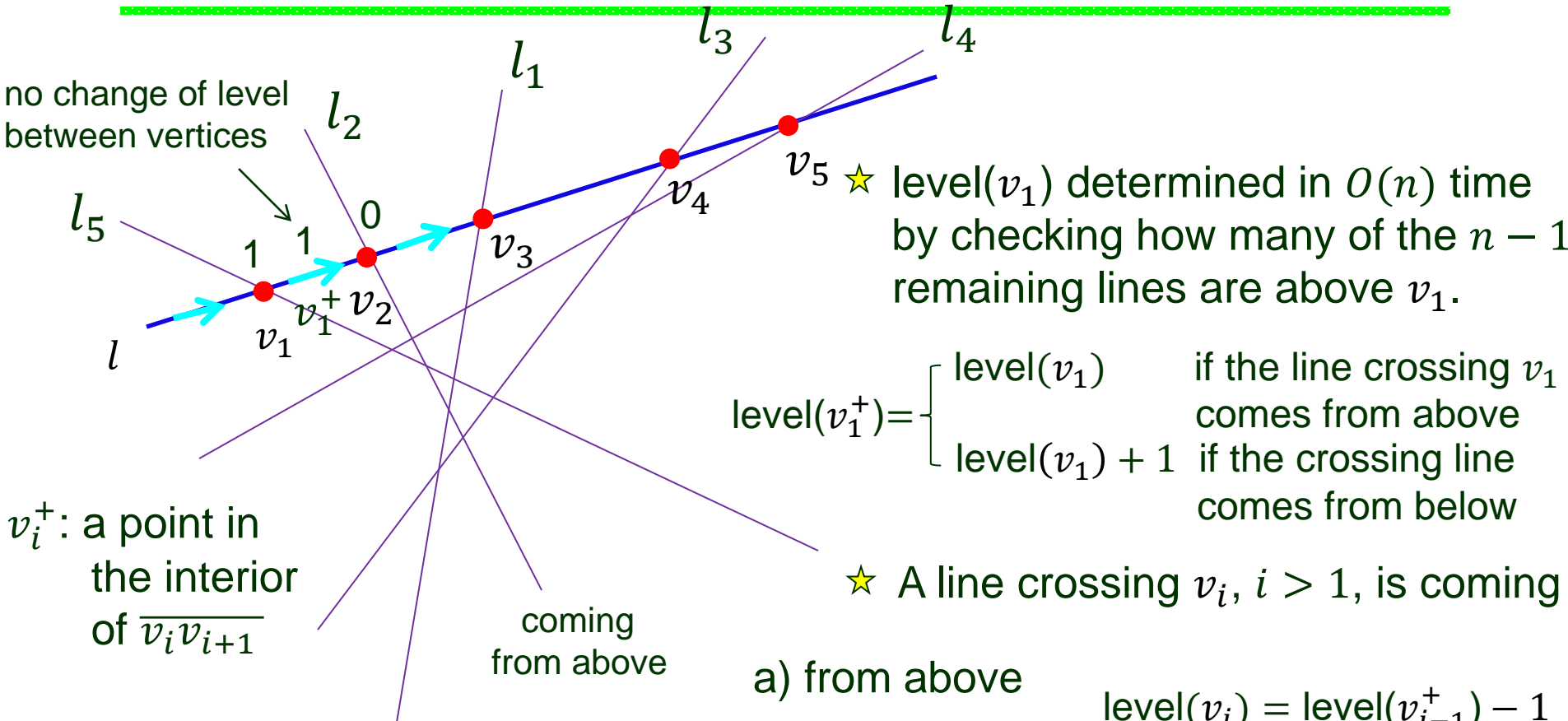


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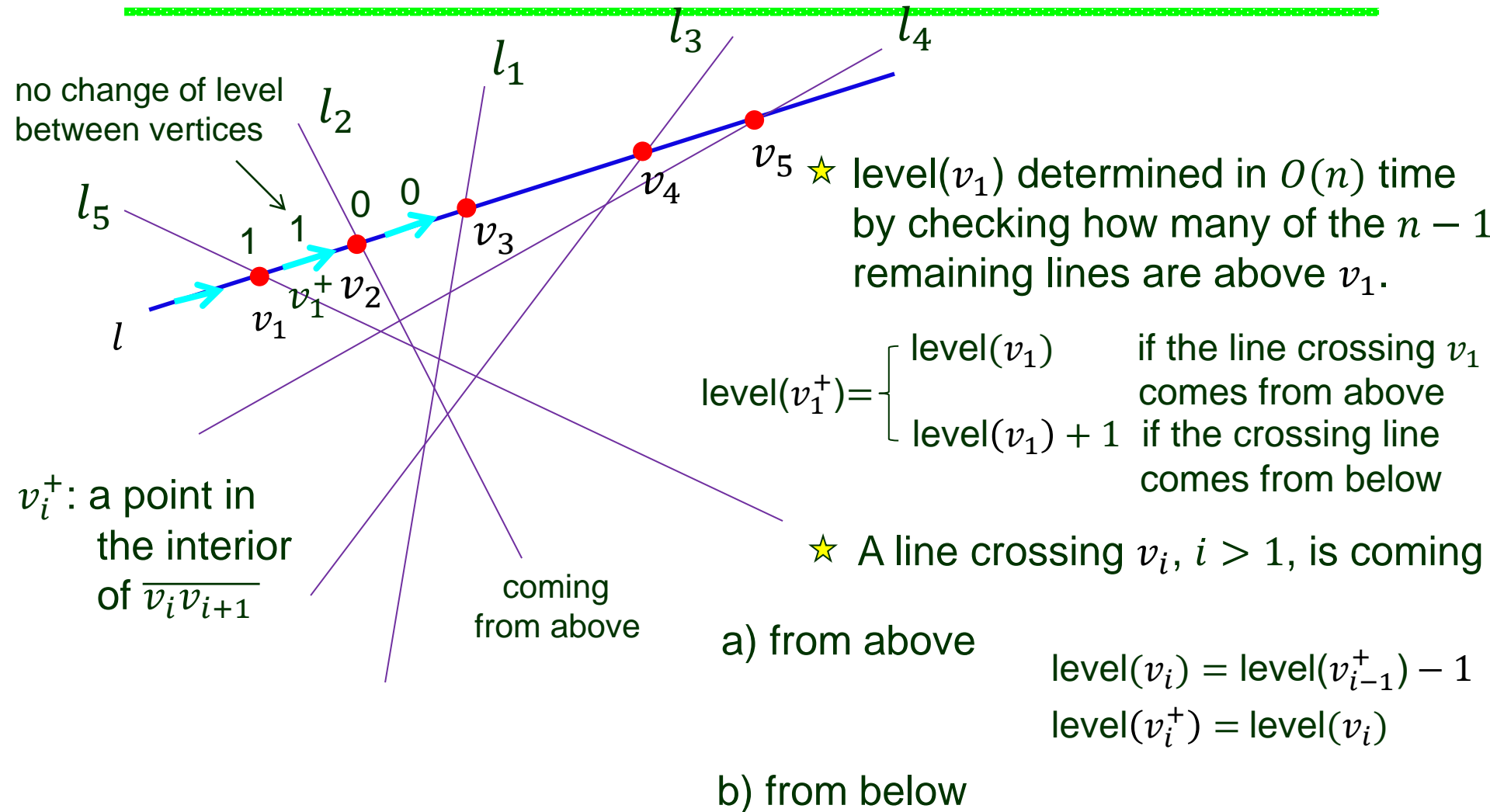
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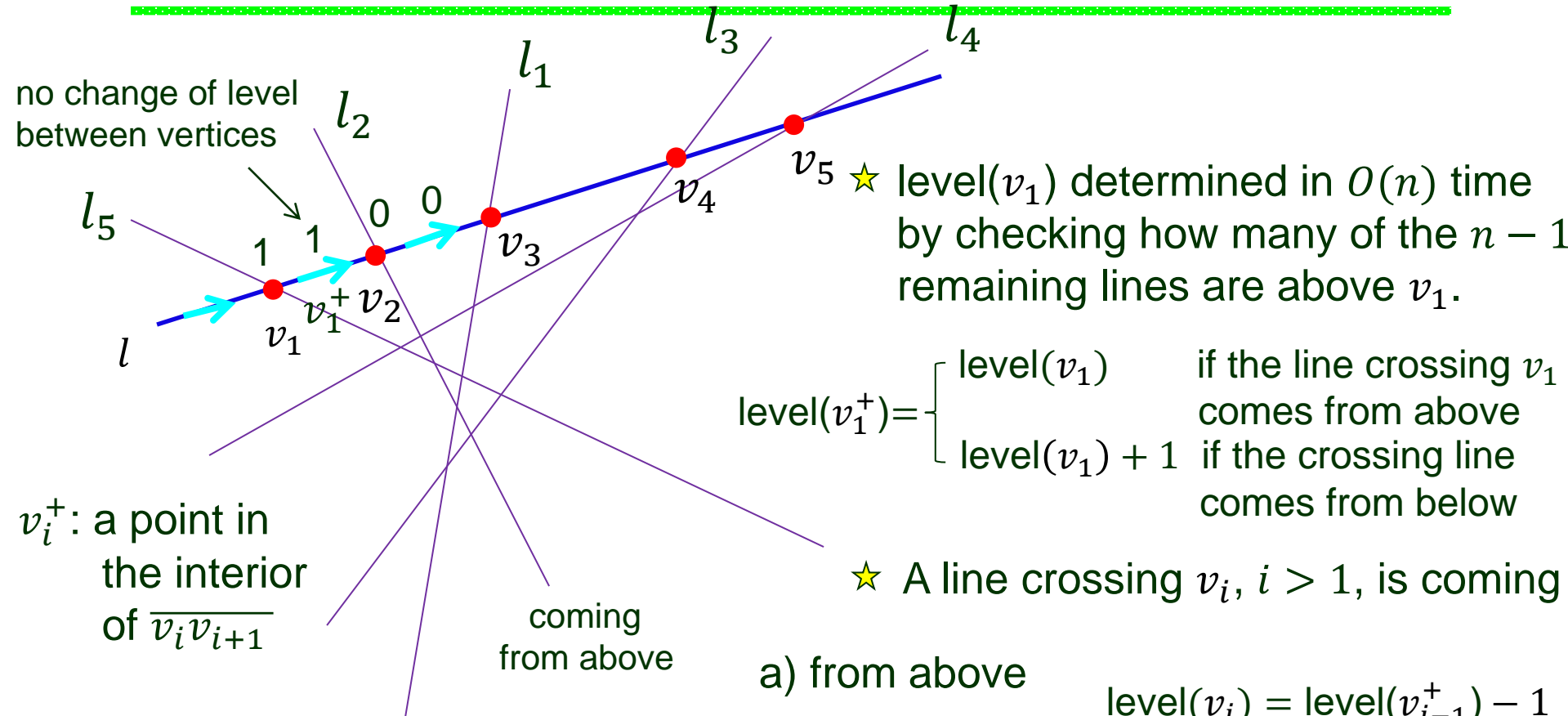
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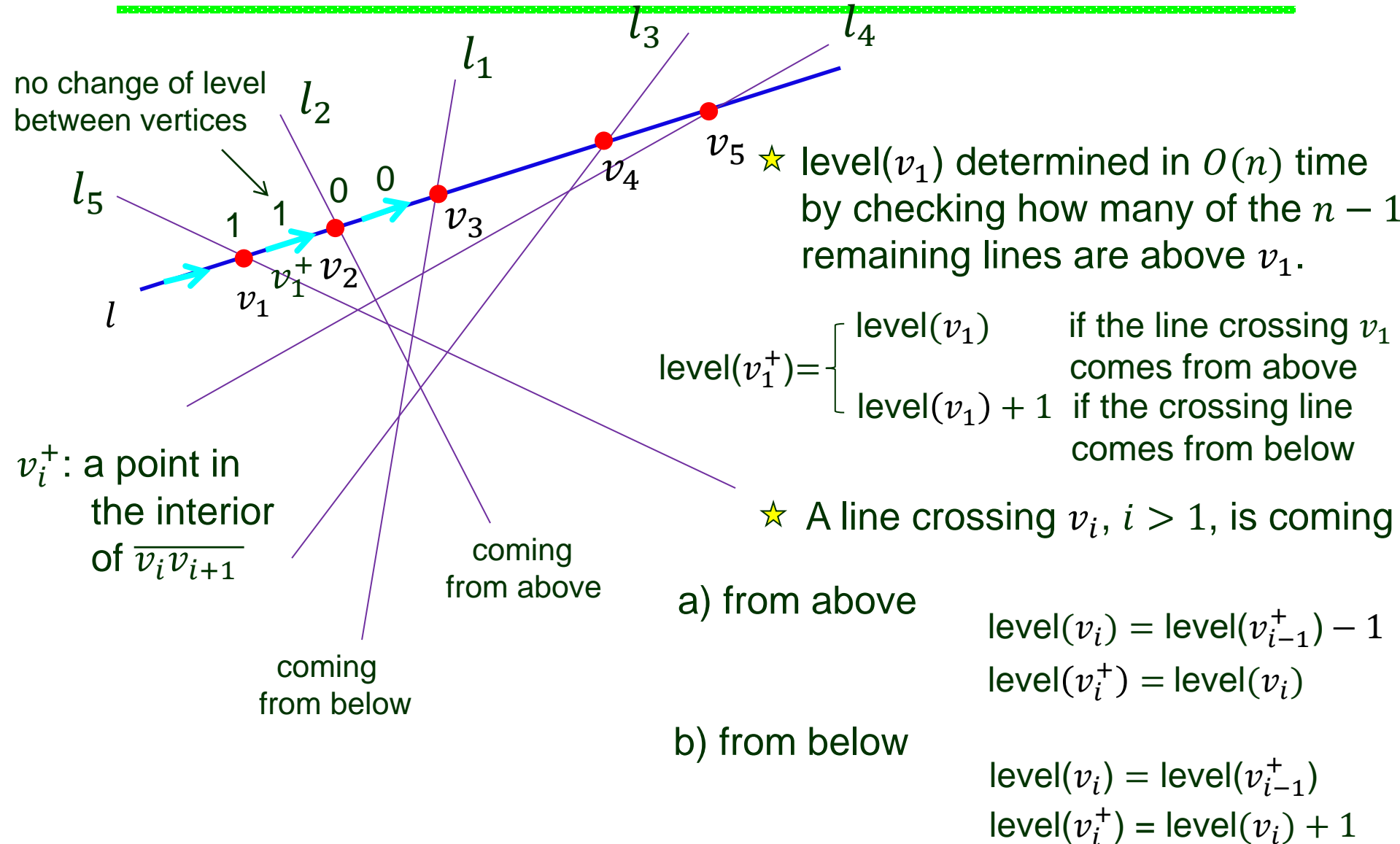
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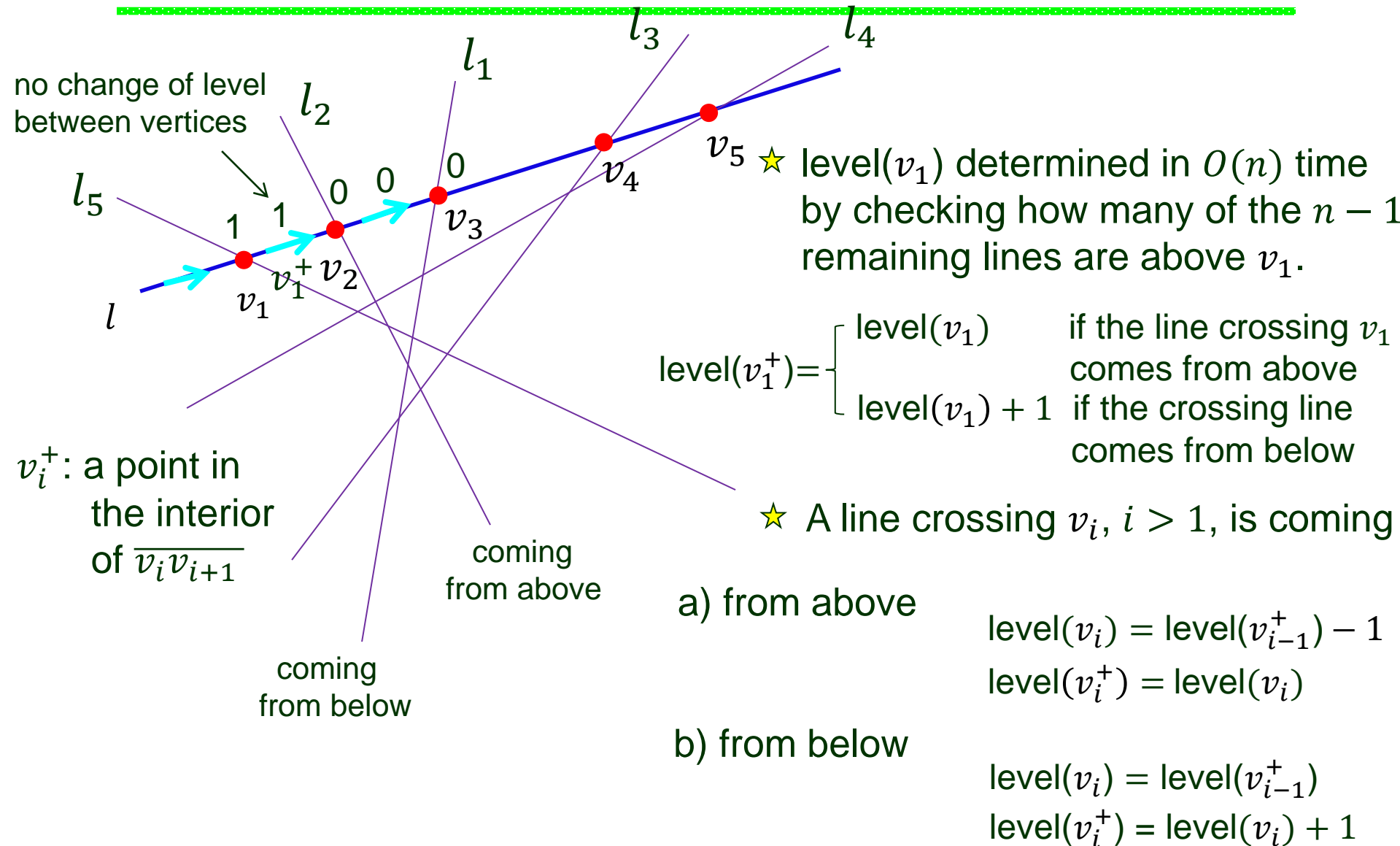
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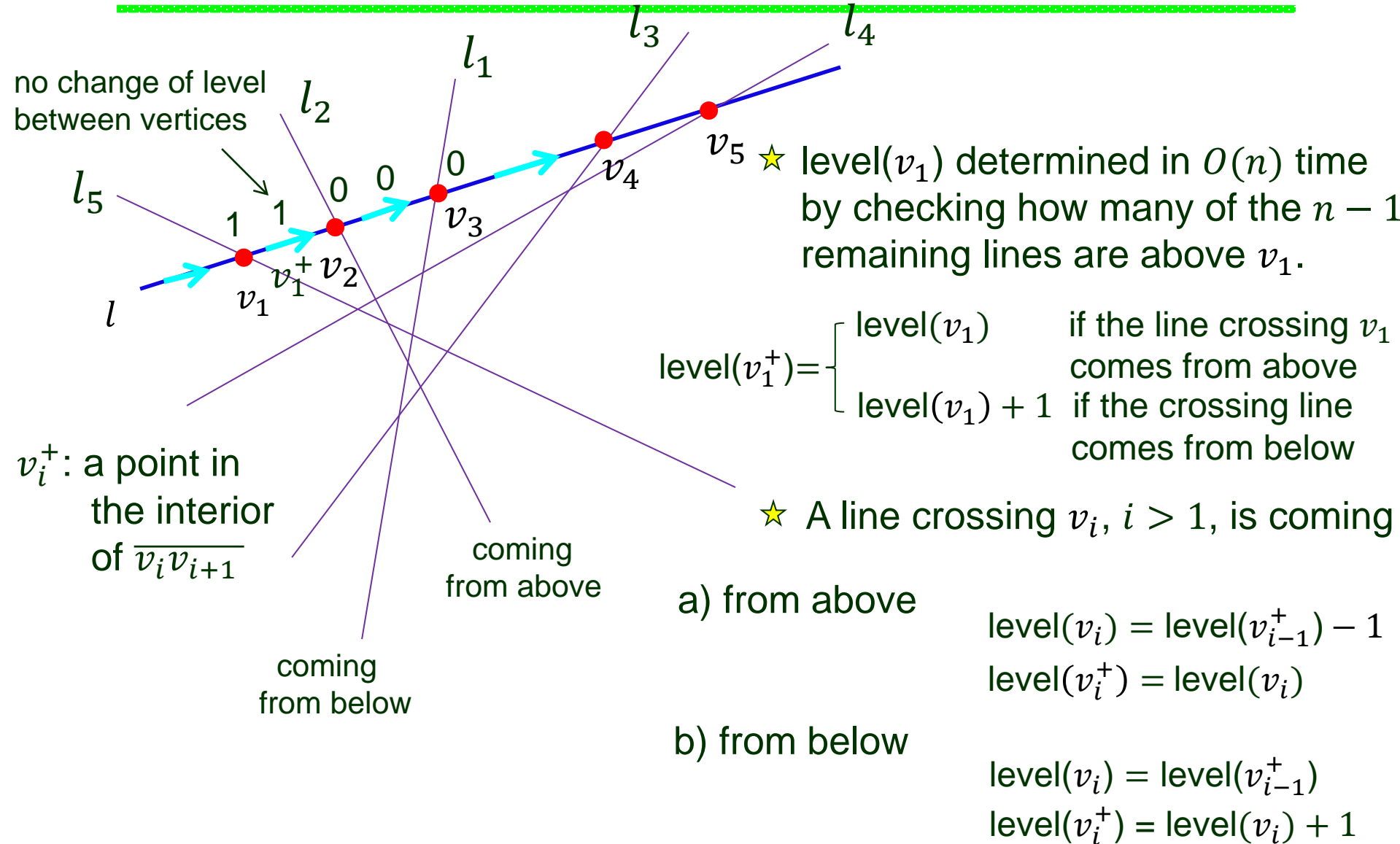
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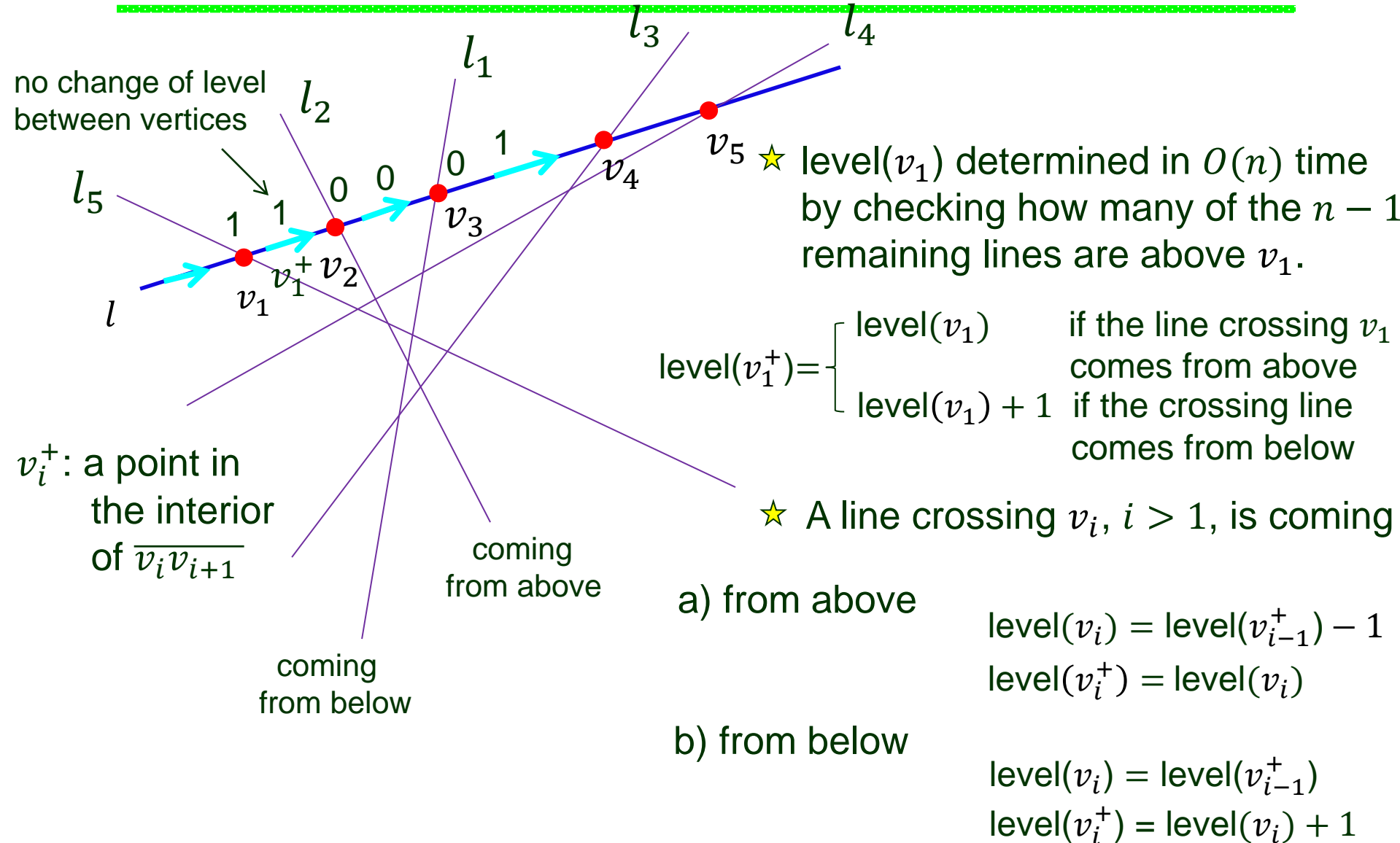
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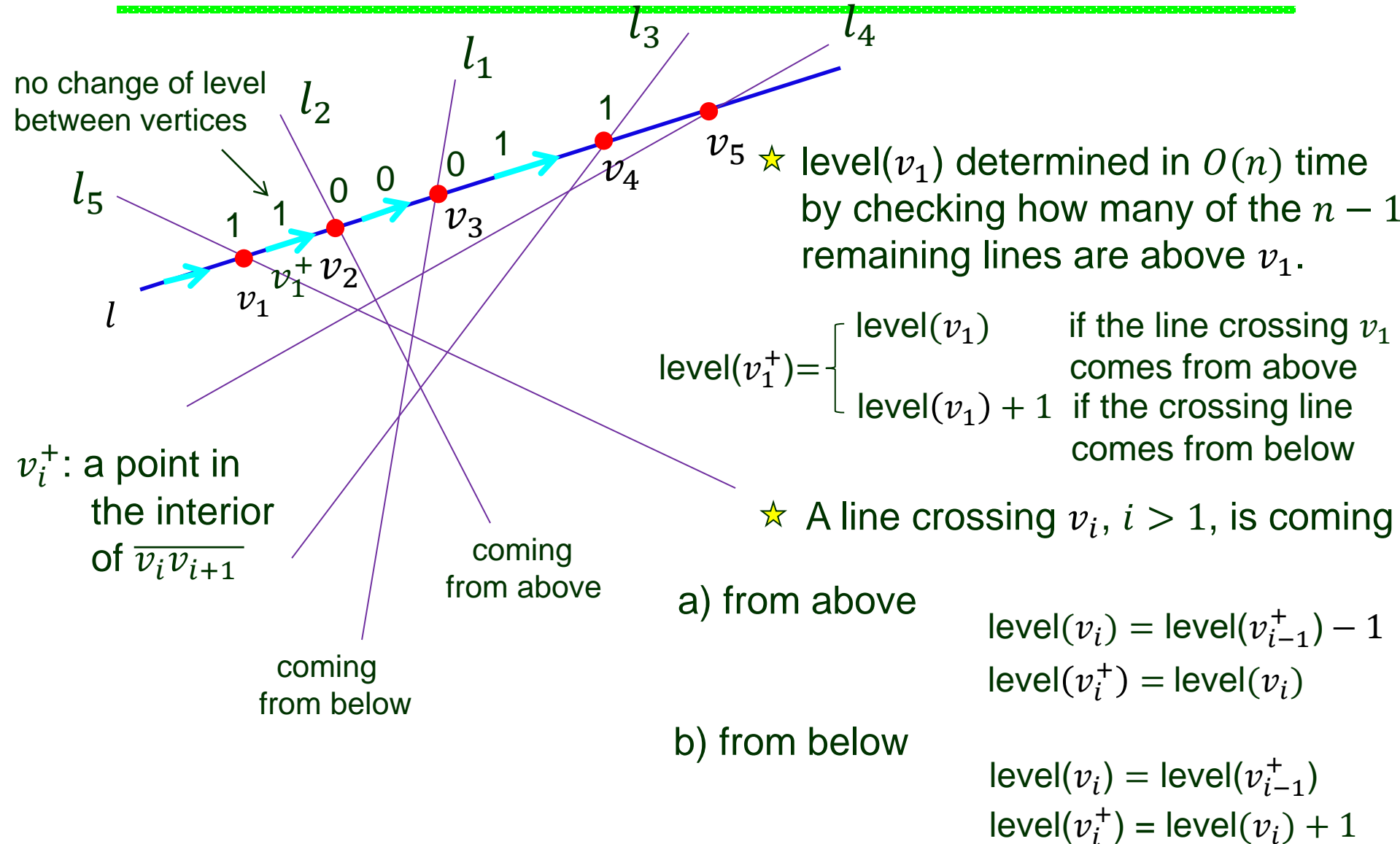
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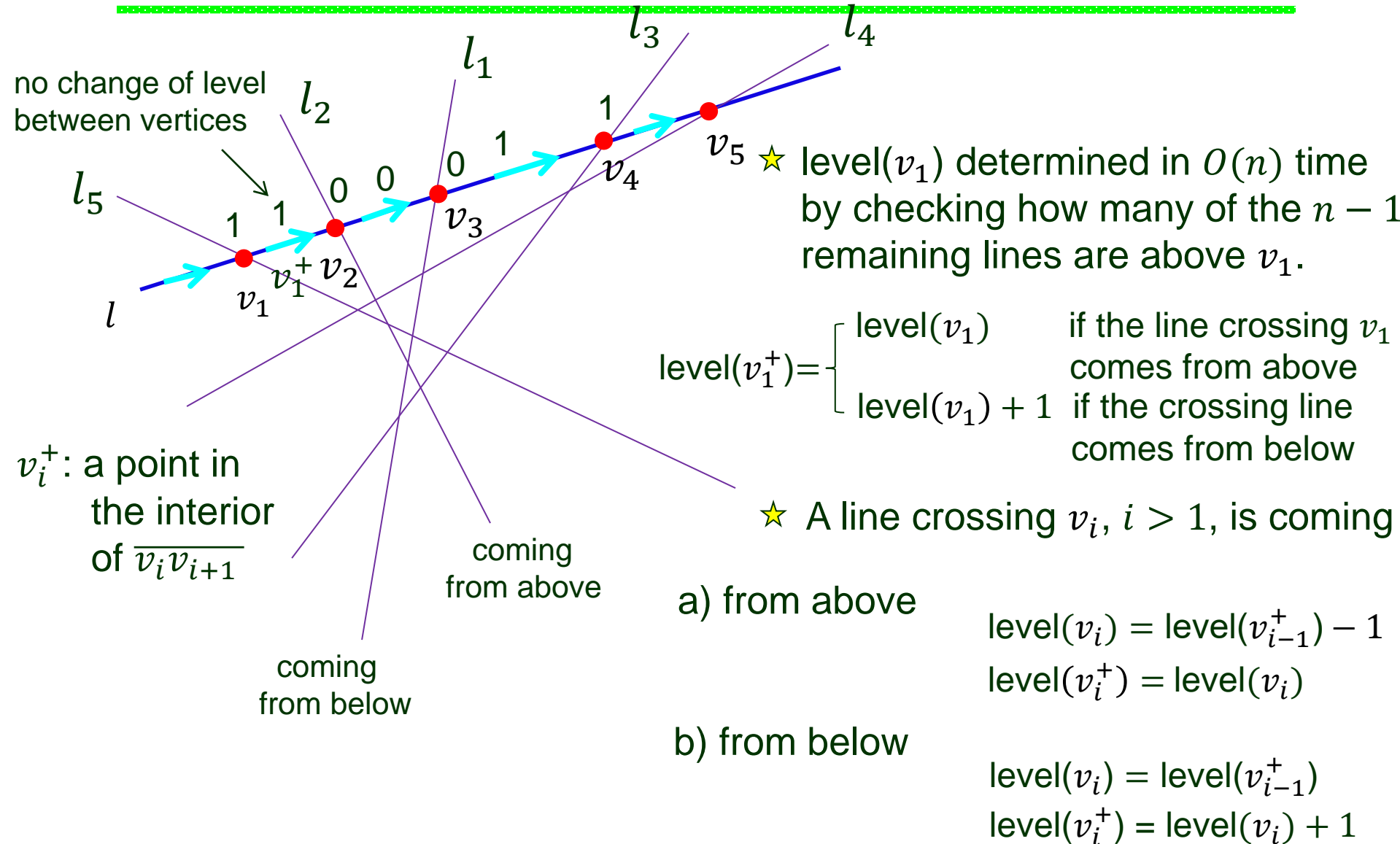


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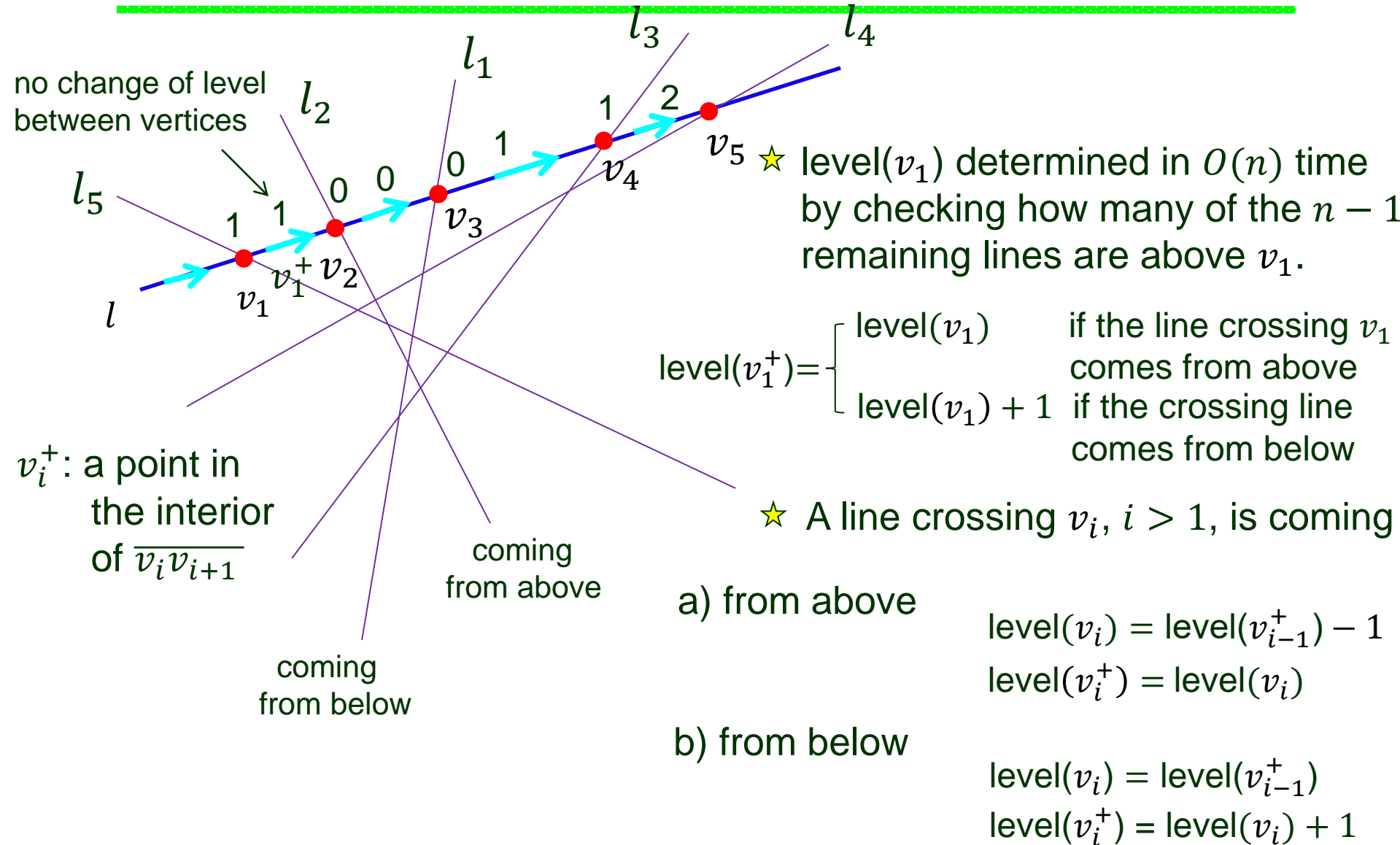




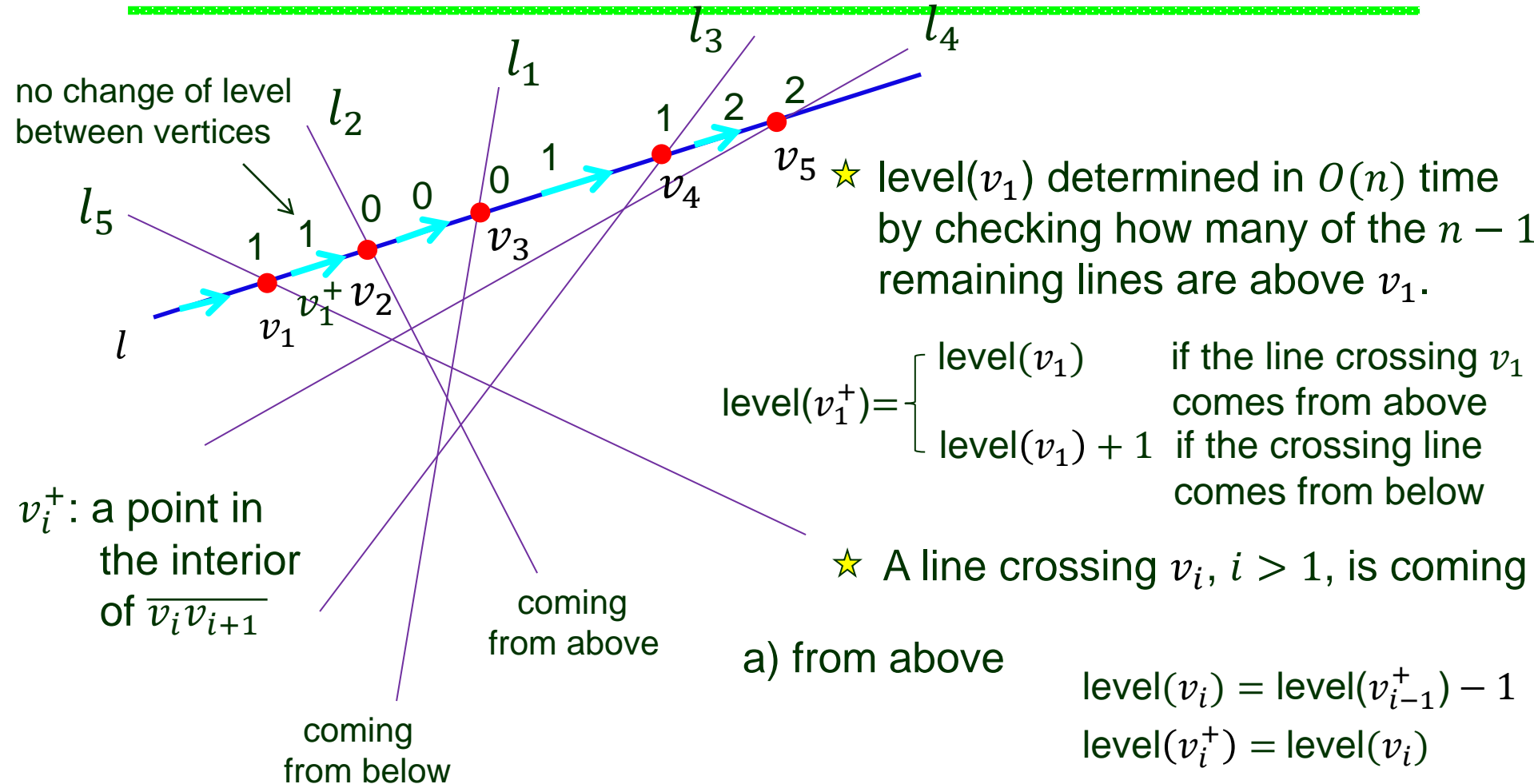
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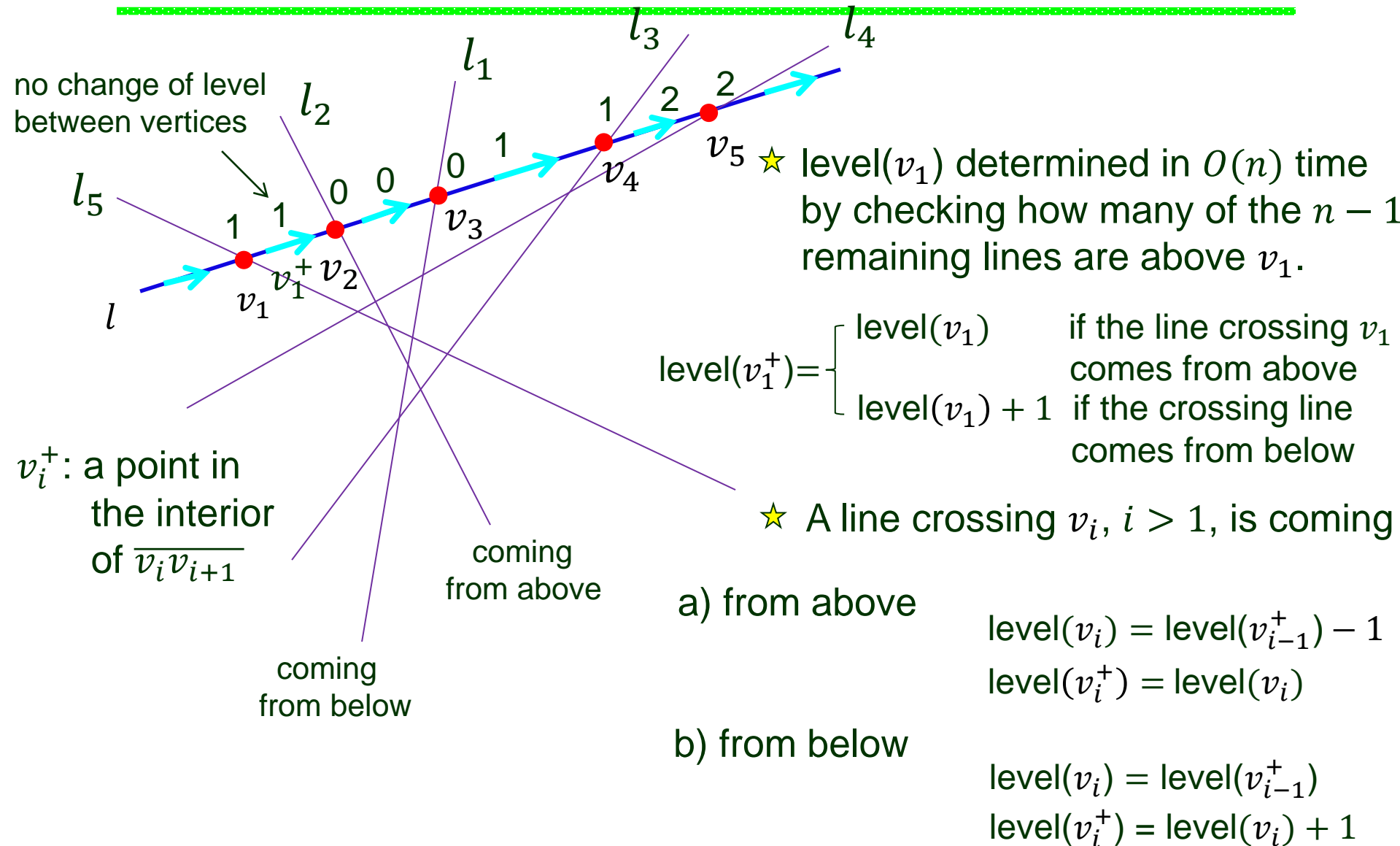
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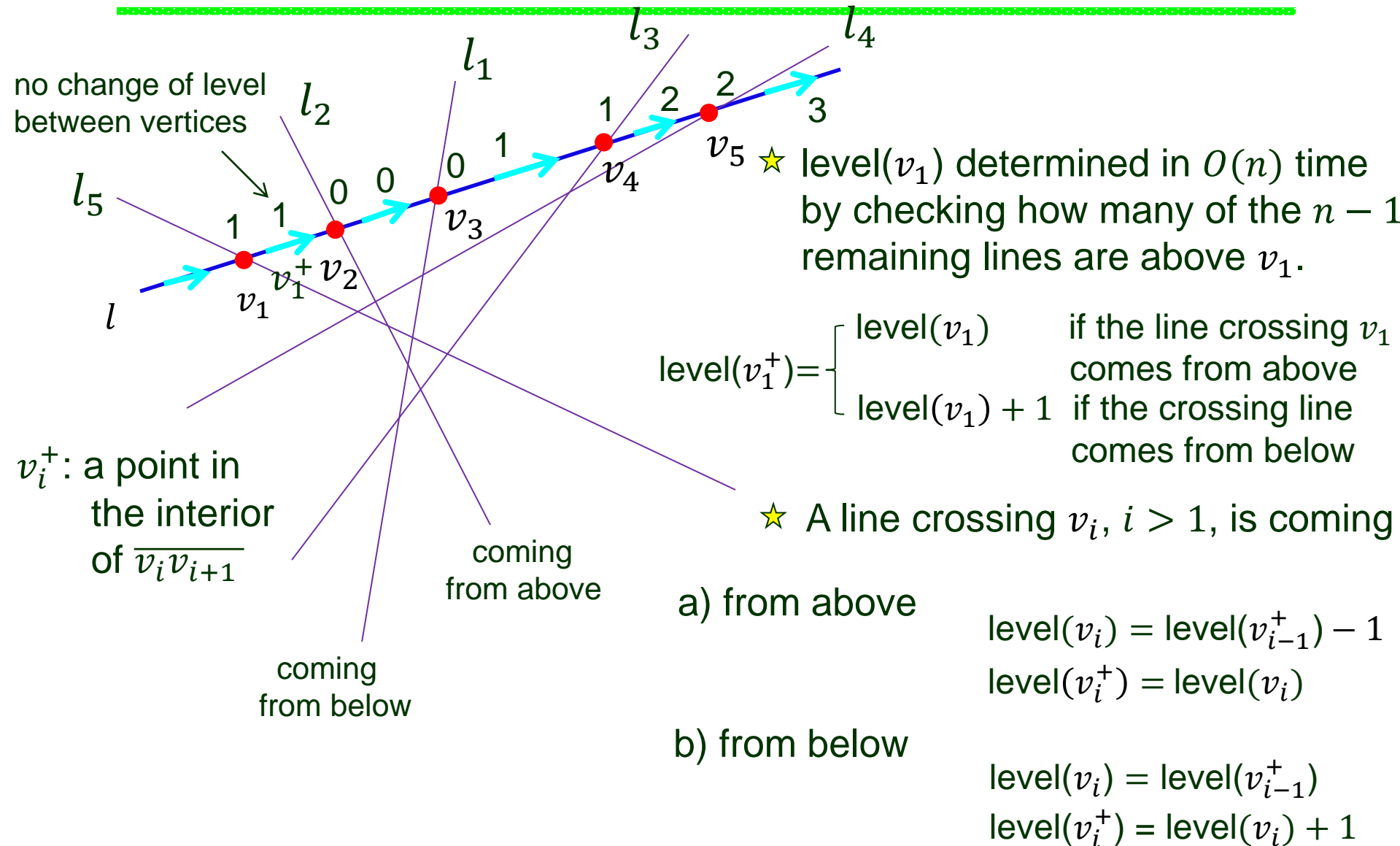
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