# Sibson's formula for higher order Voronoi diagrams

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Thus, each cell  $f(P_k)$  of  $V_k(S)$  is defined by a subset  $P_k$  of k elements of S.



Voronoi diagram of order 3 of a set S of n = 10points in the plane. Corresponding indices of the three nearest neighbours are written in each region.

#### Sibson's formula

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For a bounded cell  $f(\{Q_l\})$  of  $V_1(S)$ ,

$$Q_{l} = \sum_{j \neq l} \frac{\sigma\left(f\left(\{Q_{l}, Q_{j}\}\right) \cap f\left(\{Q_{l}\}\right)\right)}{\sigma\left(f\left(\{Q_{l}\}\right)\right)} Q_{j}$$

Where  $\sigma$  denote the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

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Sibson's algorithm uses the closest subset of the input set  $S \setminus \{Q_l\}$ , that we call its **natural neighbours**, to interpolate the function value of a query point,  $Q_l$ , and applies weights based on the ratios of volumes provided by Sibson's formula.



#### Aurenhammer's formula

#### **THEOREM**

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$$\sum_{\substack{f(P_{k-1})\in V_{k-1}(S)\\Q_i\in P_k\setminus P_{k-1}}}\sigma\big(f(P_{k-1})\cap f(P_k)\big)Q_i = \sum_{\substack{f(P_{k+1})\in V_{k+1}(S)\\Q_j\in P_{k+1}\setminus P_k}}\sigma\big(f(P_{k+1})\cap f(P_k)\big)Q_j$$

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#### What can we say about this point *H*?

#### **PROPERTY**

Given a quadrilateral cell  $\Box(C_{123}C_{124}C_{134}C_{234}) \text{ of } V_k(S), \text{ the four}$ corresponding points  $Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4$  of Sthat participate in the perpendicular bisectors that define  $\Box(C_{123}C_{124}C_{134}C_{234}), \text{ also form a convex}$ quadrilateral,  $\Box(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4)$ .





The regions  $R_k(l)$ 

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## Sibson's formula for higher order

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Let  $1 \le k \le n-2$  and let  $R_k(l)$  be a bounded región. Then,

$$Q_{l} = \sum_{\substack{f(P_{k})\in R_{k}(l) \\ Q_{j}\in P_{k+1}\setminus P_{k}}} \sum_{\substack{f(P_{k+1})\in V_{k+1}(S) \\ Q_{j}\in P_{k+1}\setminus P_{k}}} \frac{\sigma(f(P_{k+1})\cap f(P_{k}))}{\sigma(R_{k}(l))}Q_{j}$$

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#### Interpolation

Sibson's algorithm use the natural neighbours of the query point in the Voronoi diagram of order 1.



Use the neighbours of the query point in the Voronoi diagram of order k.

#### Interpolation Example



In green, Sibson's original interpolation, used only  $R_1(x)$ . Only two points are used.

The blue segment shows the interpolation using  $R_2(x)$ . Four points are used.

The red segment shows the interpolation using  $R_3(x)$ . The six points are used.

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