# Sibson's formula for higher order Voronoi diagrams 

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## Sibson's formula

## LOCAL COORDINATES PROPERTY.

For a bounded cell $f\left(\left\{Q_{l}\right\}\right)$ of $V_{1}(S)$,

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

For a bounded cell $f\left(P_{k}\right)$ of $V_{k}(S)$,

$$
\sum_{\substack{f\left(P_{k-1}\right) \in V_{k-1}(S) \\ Q_{i} \in P_{k} \backslash P_{k-1}}} \sigma\left(f\left(P_{k-1}\right) \cap f\left(P_{k}\right)\right) Q_{i}=\sum_{\substack{f\left(P_{k+1}\right) \in V_{k+1}(S) \\ Q_{j} \in P_{k+1} \backslash P_{k}}} \sigma\left(f\left(P_{k+1}\right) \cap f\left(P_{k}\right)\right) Q_{j}
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Each side of the equation describes a point $H$ that is a convex combination of points from $S$.

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What can we say about this point $H$ ?

## Geometric Interpretation

## PROPERTY

Given a quadrilateral cell $\square\left(C_{123} C_{124} C_{134} C_{234}\right)$ of $V_{k}(S)$, the four corresponding points $Q_{1}, Q_{2}, Q_{3}, Q_{4}$ of $S$ that participate in the perpendicular bisectors that define
口 $\left(C_{123} C_{124} C_{134} C_{234}\right)$, also form a convex quadrilateral, $\square\left(Q_{1}, Q_{2}, Q_{3}, Q_{4}\right)$.


## Geometric Interpretation



## The regions $R_{k}(l)$

The region $R_{k}(l)$ consists of all the points of the space that have point $\mathrm{Q}_{l} \in S$ as one of their $k$ nearest neighbors from $S$.


## Sibson's formula for higher order

## THEOREM

Let $1 \leq k \leq n-2$ and let $R_{k}(l)$ be a bounded región. Then,

$$
Q_{l}=\sum_{f\left(P_{k}\right) \in R_{k}(l)} \sum_{\substack{f\left(P_{k+1}\right) \in V_{k+1}(S) \\ Q_{j} \in P_{k+1} \backslash P_{k}}} \frac{\sigma\left(f\left(P_{k+1}\right) \cap f\left(P_{k}\right)\right)}{\sigma\left(R_{k}(l)\right)} Q_{j}
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## Proof Idea



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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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