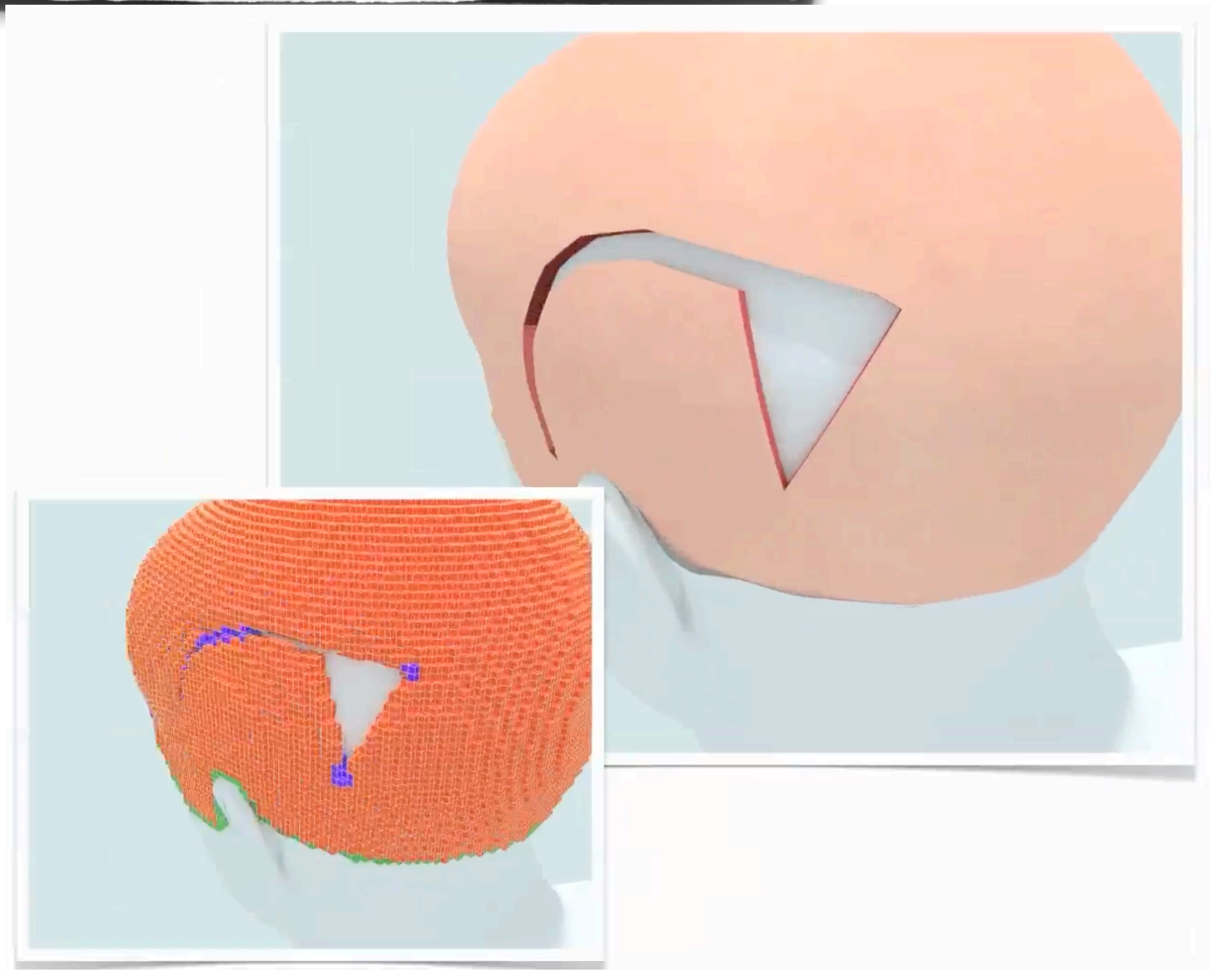
Collision detection (for simulated objects)

- Cannot (easily and efficiently) convert into levelsets to facilitate O(1) collision queries
  - Sometimes we seek collisions between open surfaces, which do not have an *"interior"* to describe as a levelset
- If simulation contains N primitives (particles, segments, triangles, etc) there is a potential for O(N^2) *"candidate"* intersection pairs
  - Brute force check would require O(N^2) cost
  - Every simulation step ideally requires O(N) effort (e.g. with Forward Euler, or BE with fixed CG iterations)
  - Ideally the detection cost should not exceed O(N) by much
- Popular approach : Using axis-aligned bounding box (AABB) queries to accelerate collision detection

Embedded collisions (w/penalty forces)



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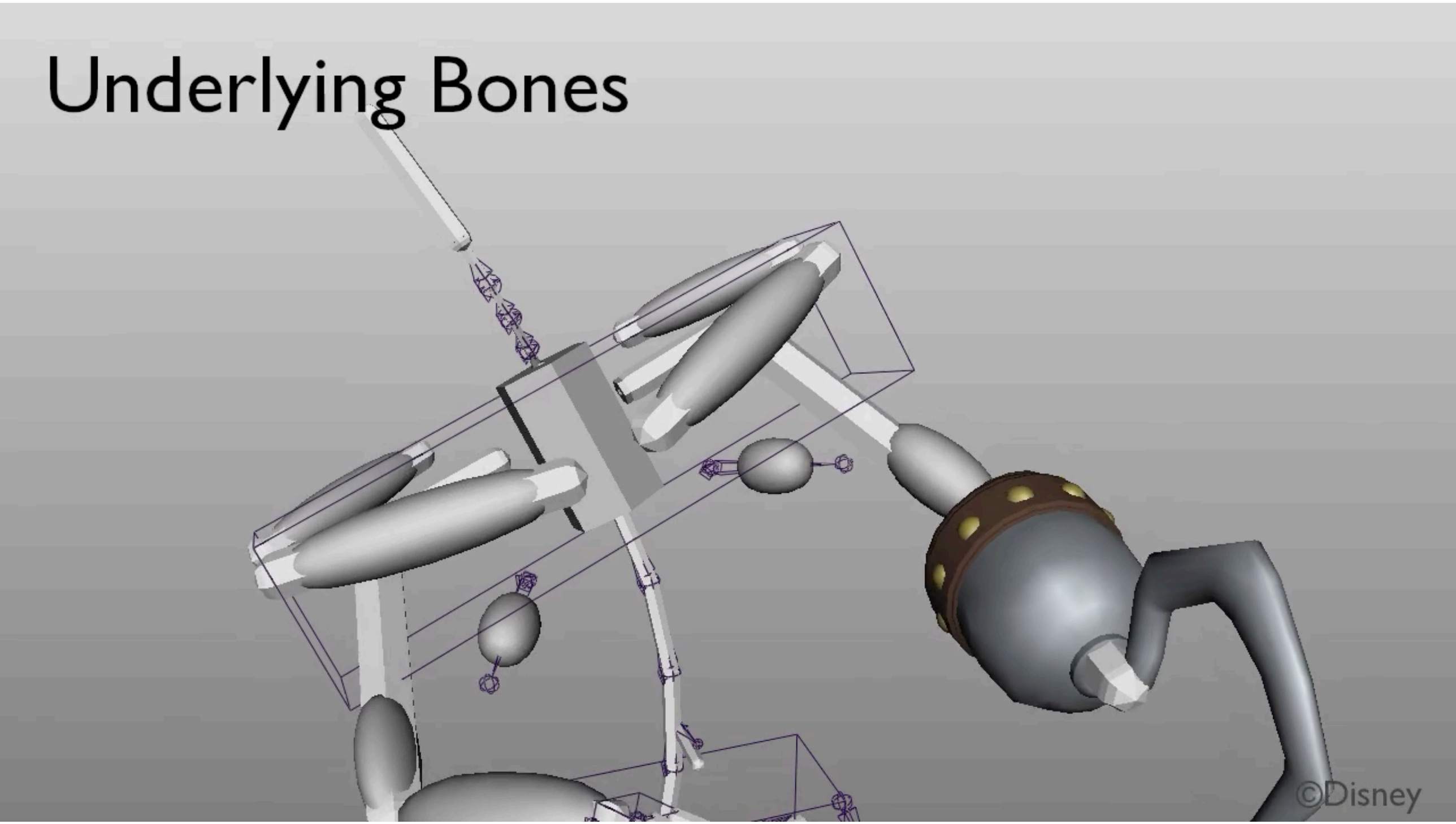

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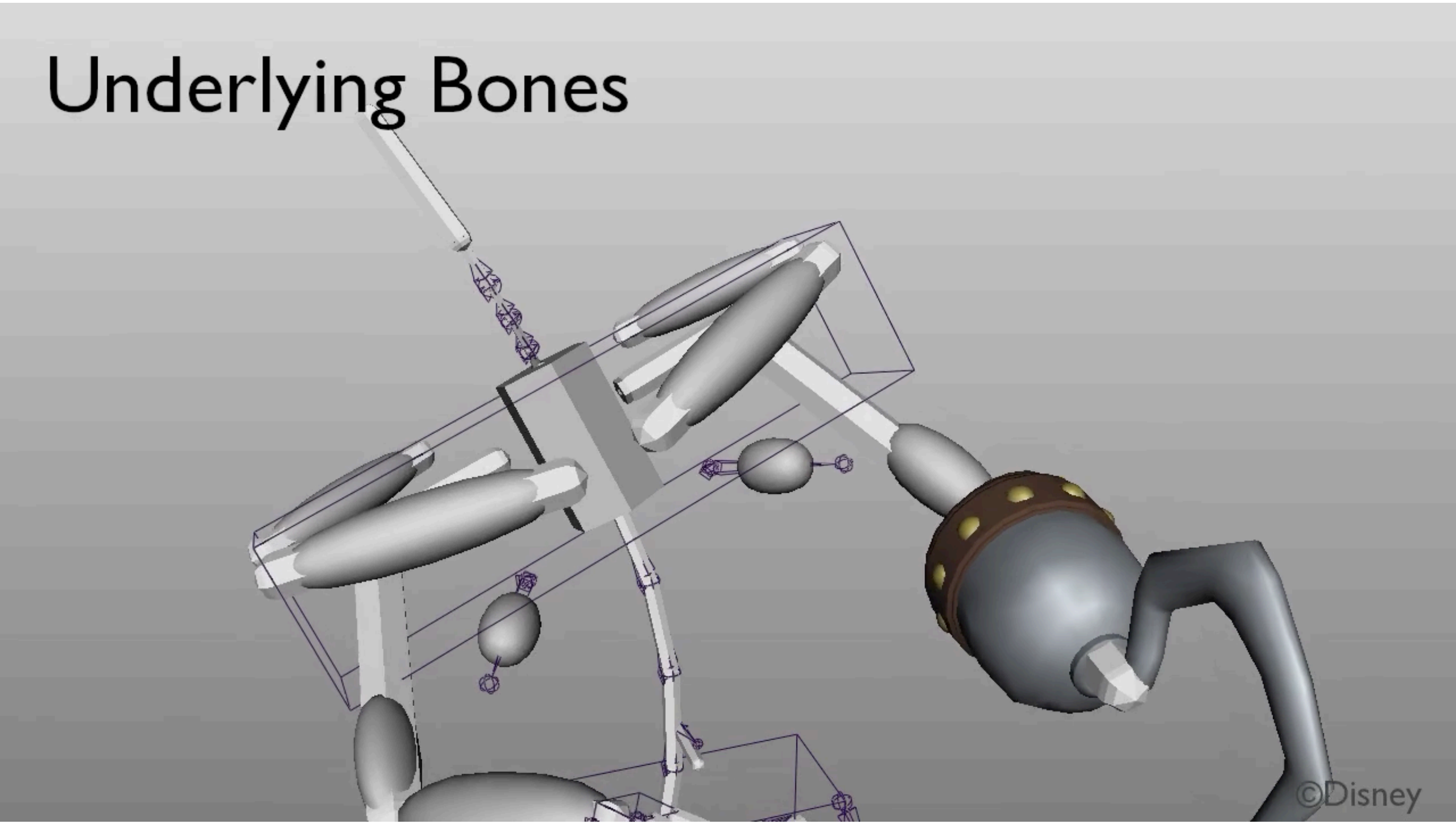

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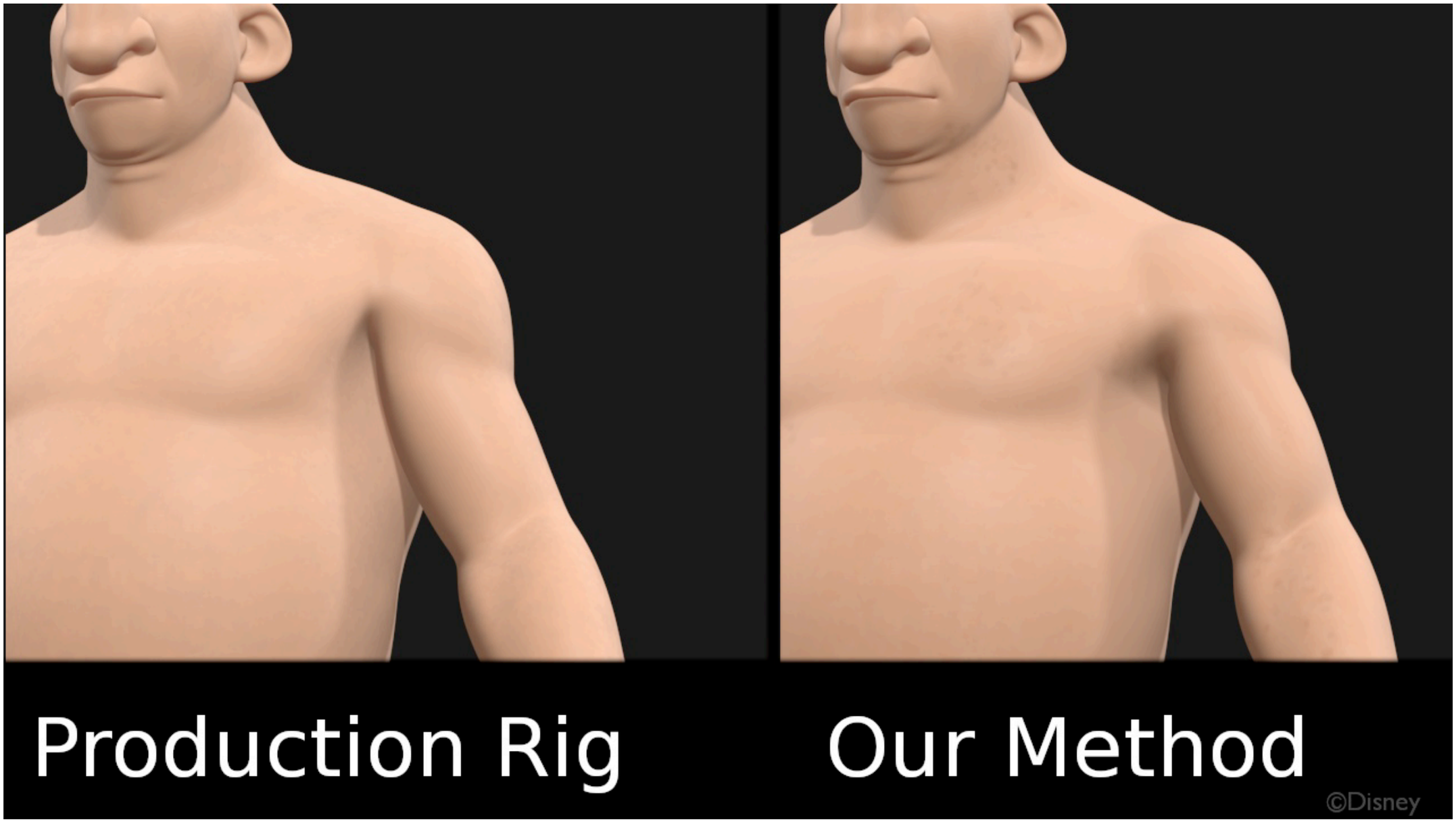

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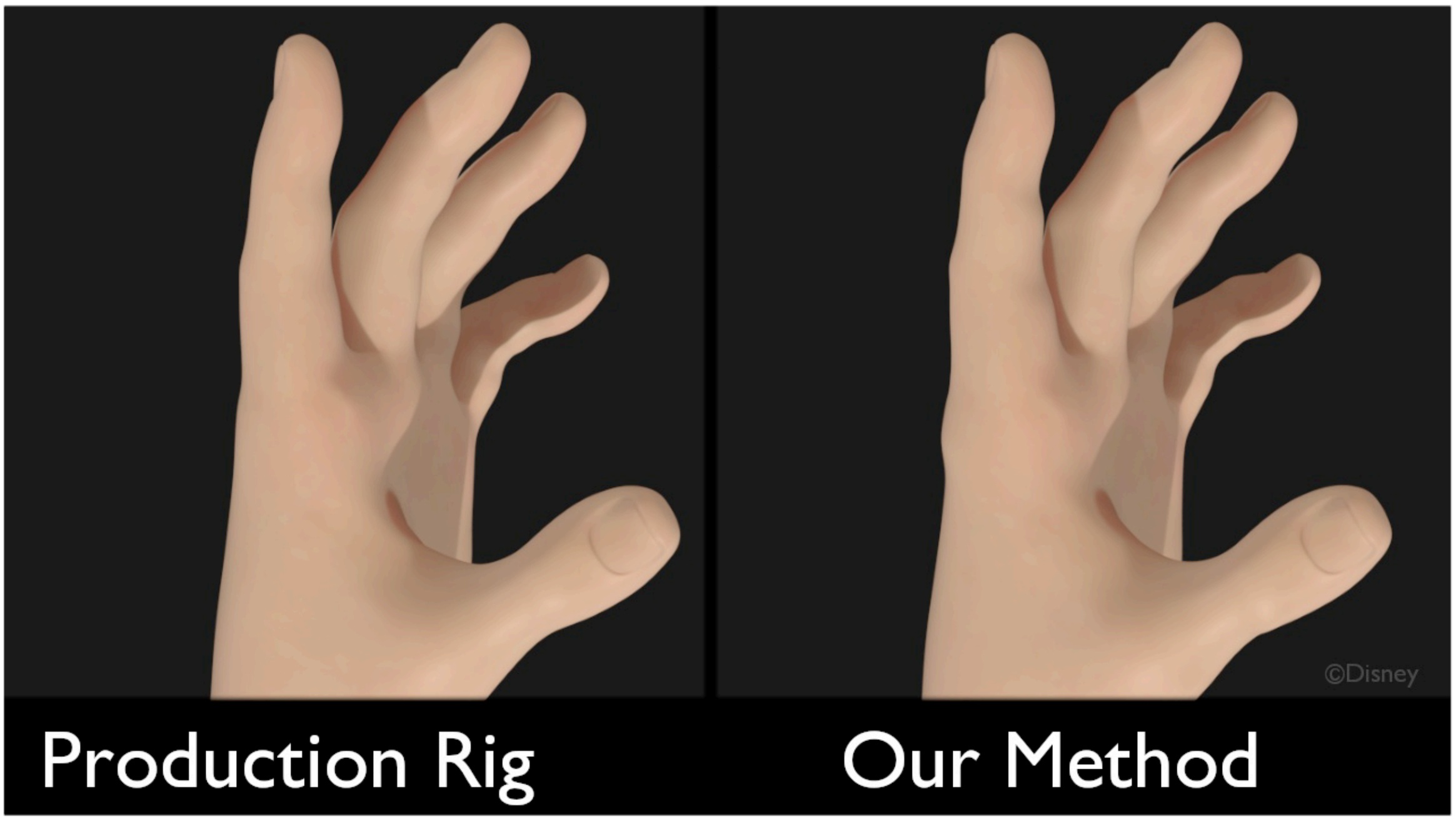
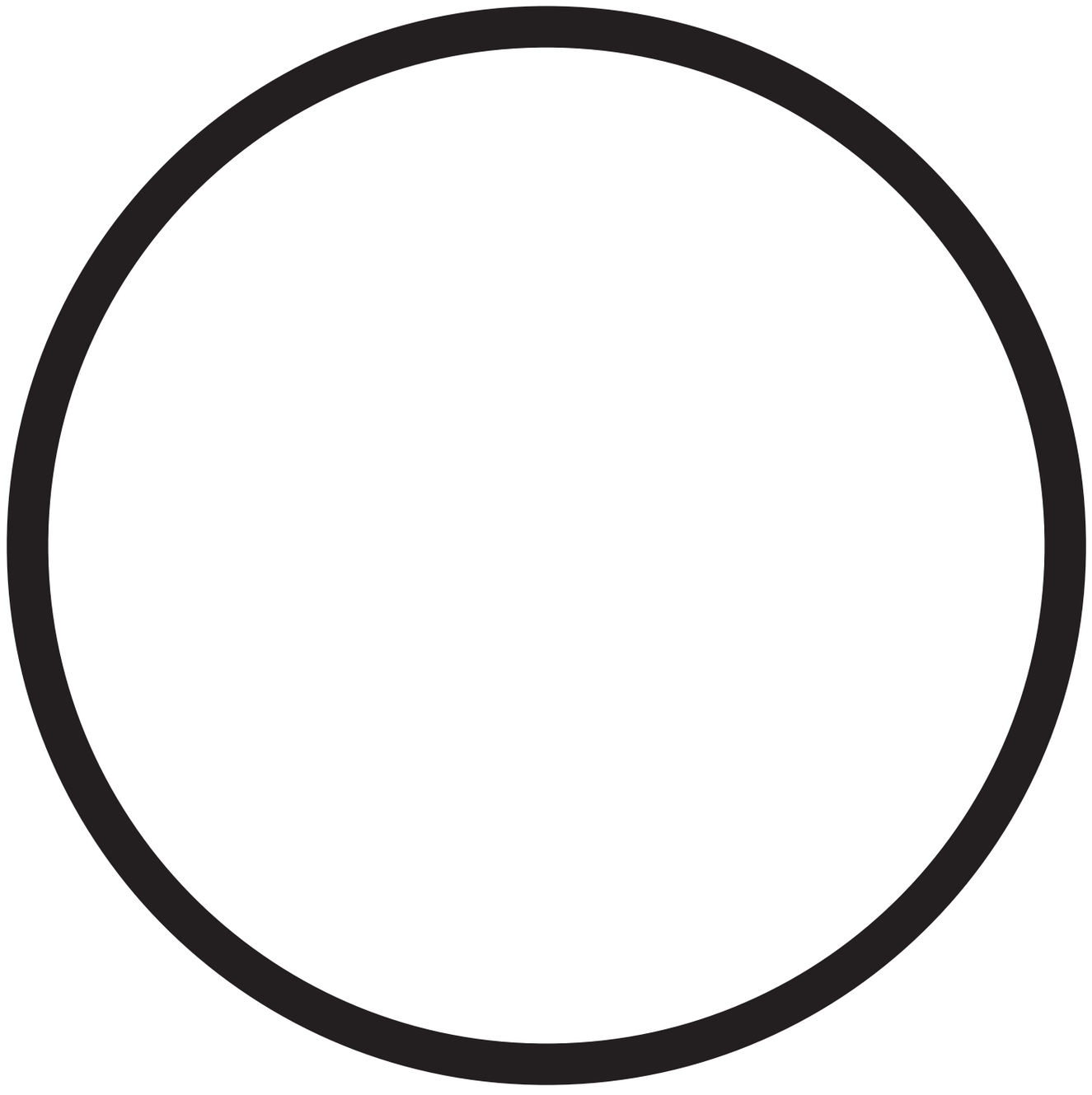
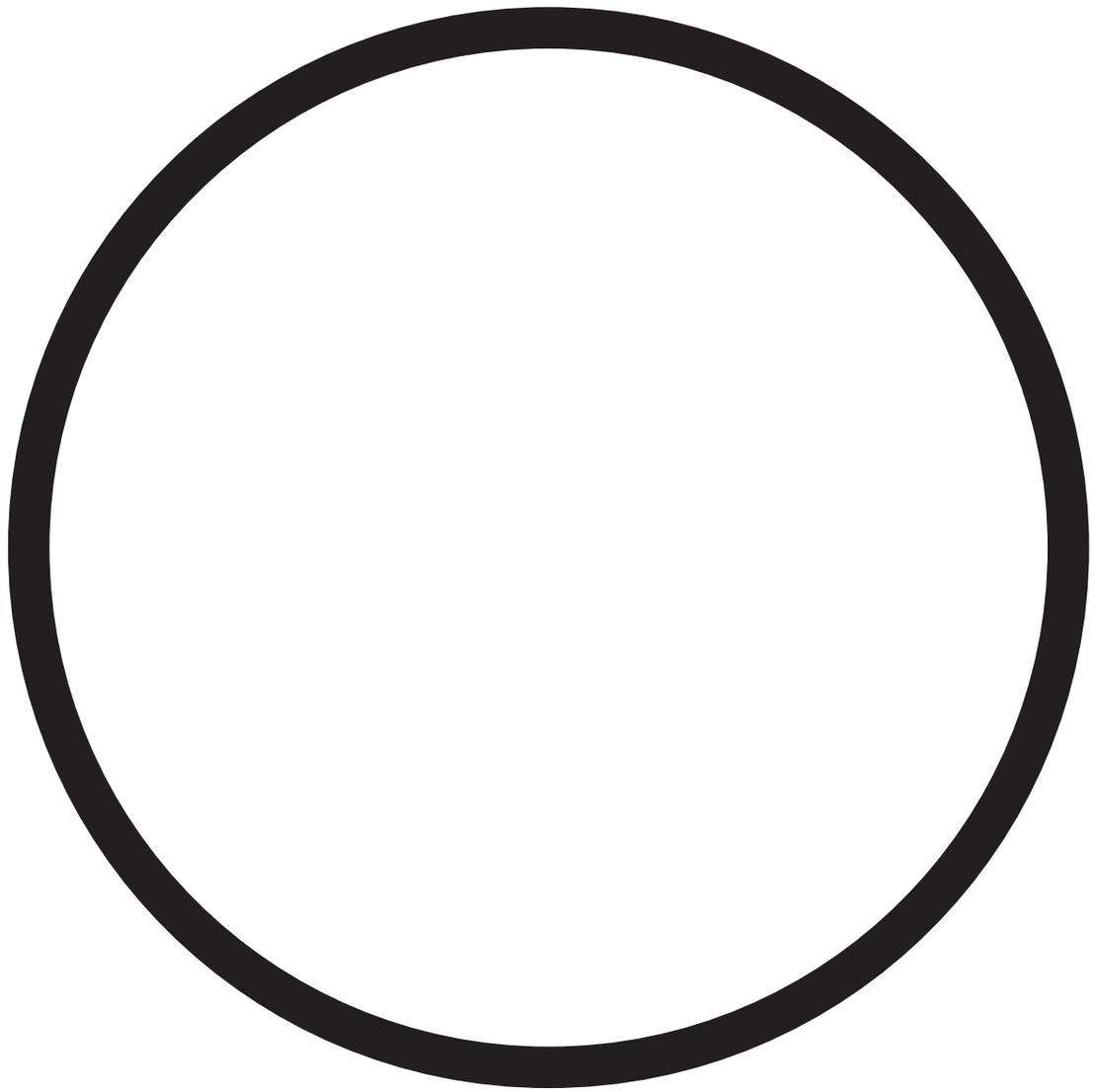




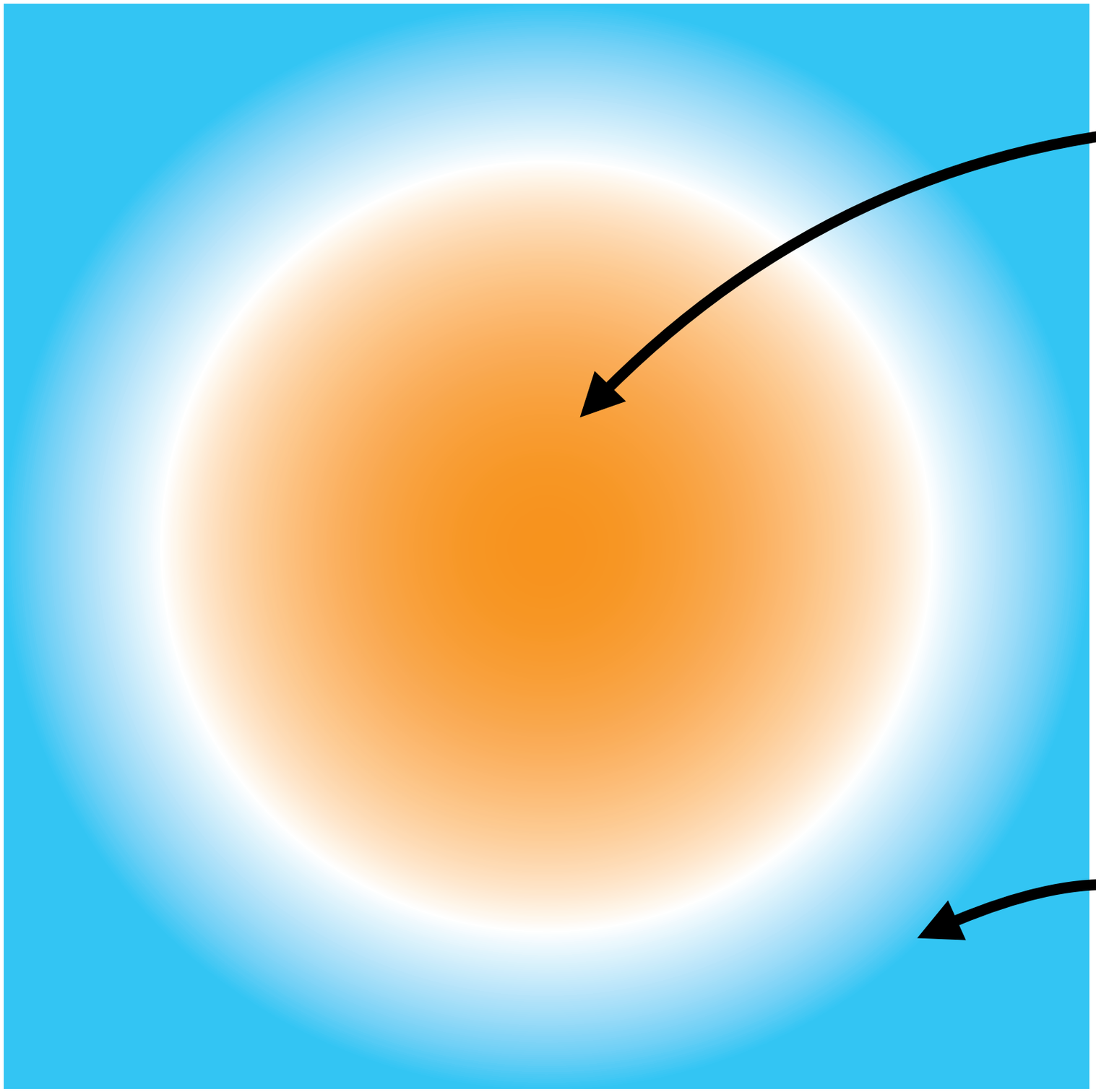


Implicit Surface

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(x, y) | \phi(x, y) = 0\}$$

Signed Distance Field

$$\phi(x, y) = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} - 1$$



Inside

(Negative Φ Values)

Signed Distance Field

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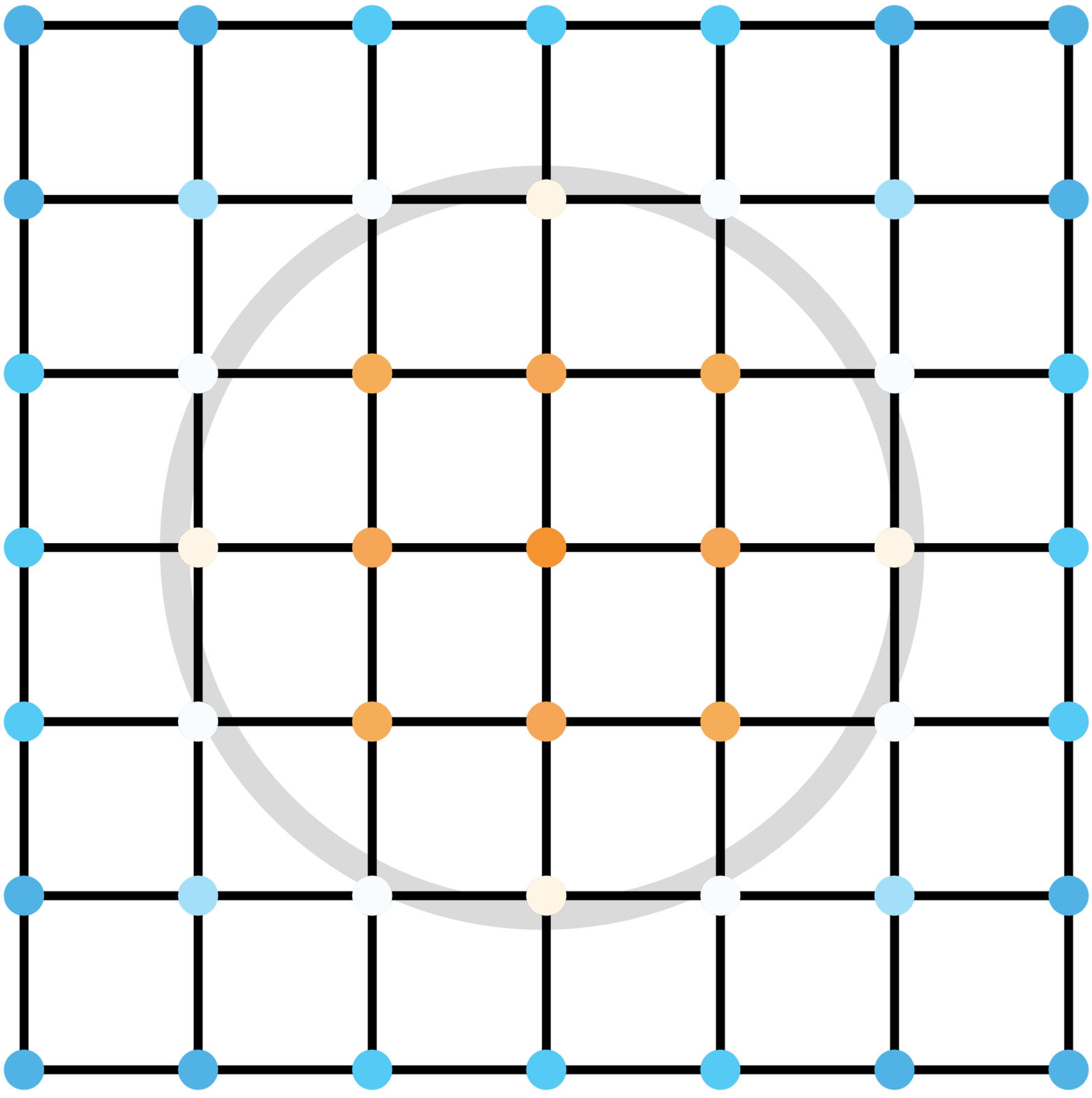
Outside

(Positive Φ Values)



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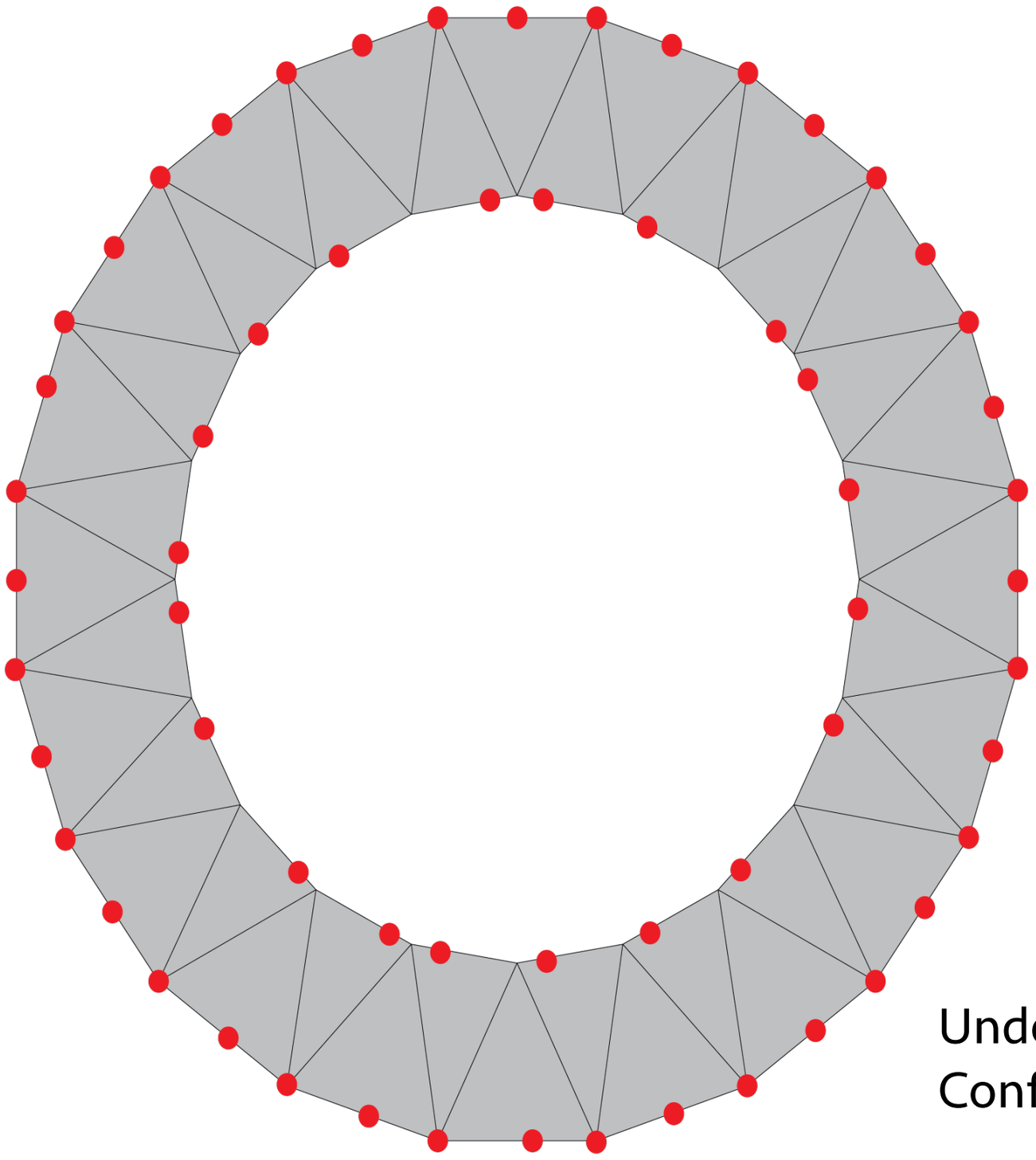

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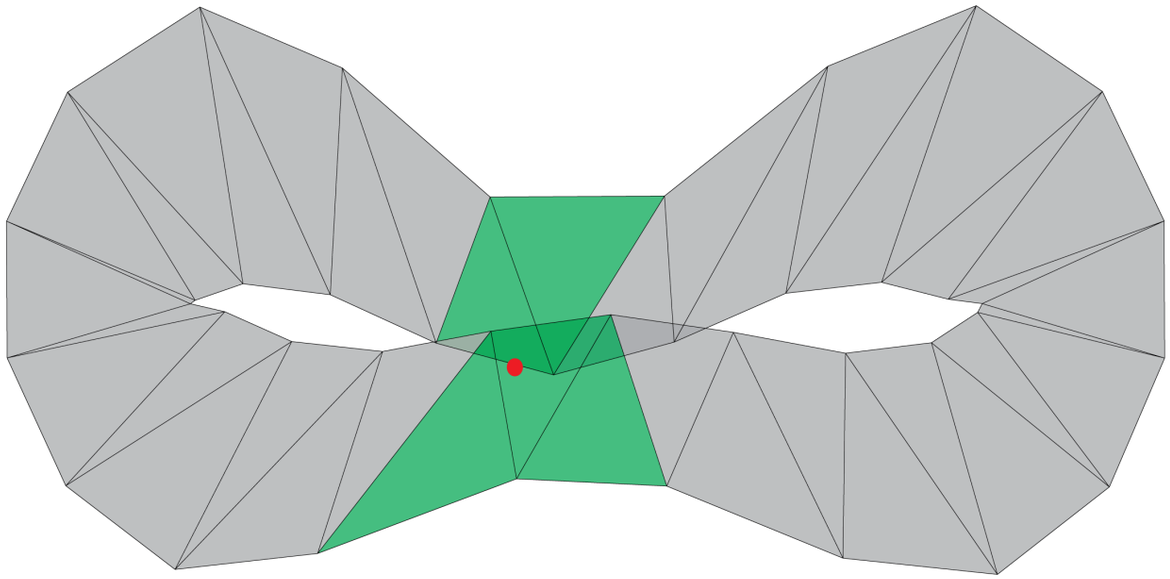

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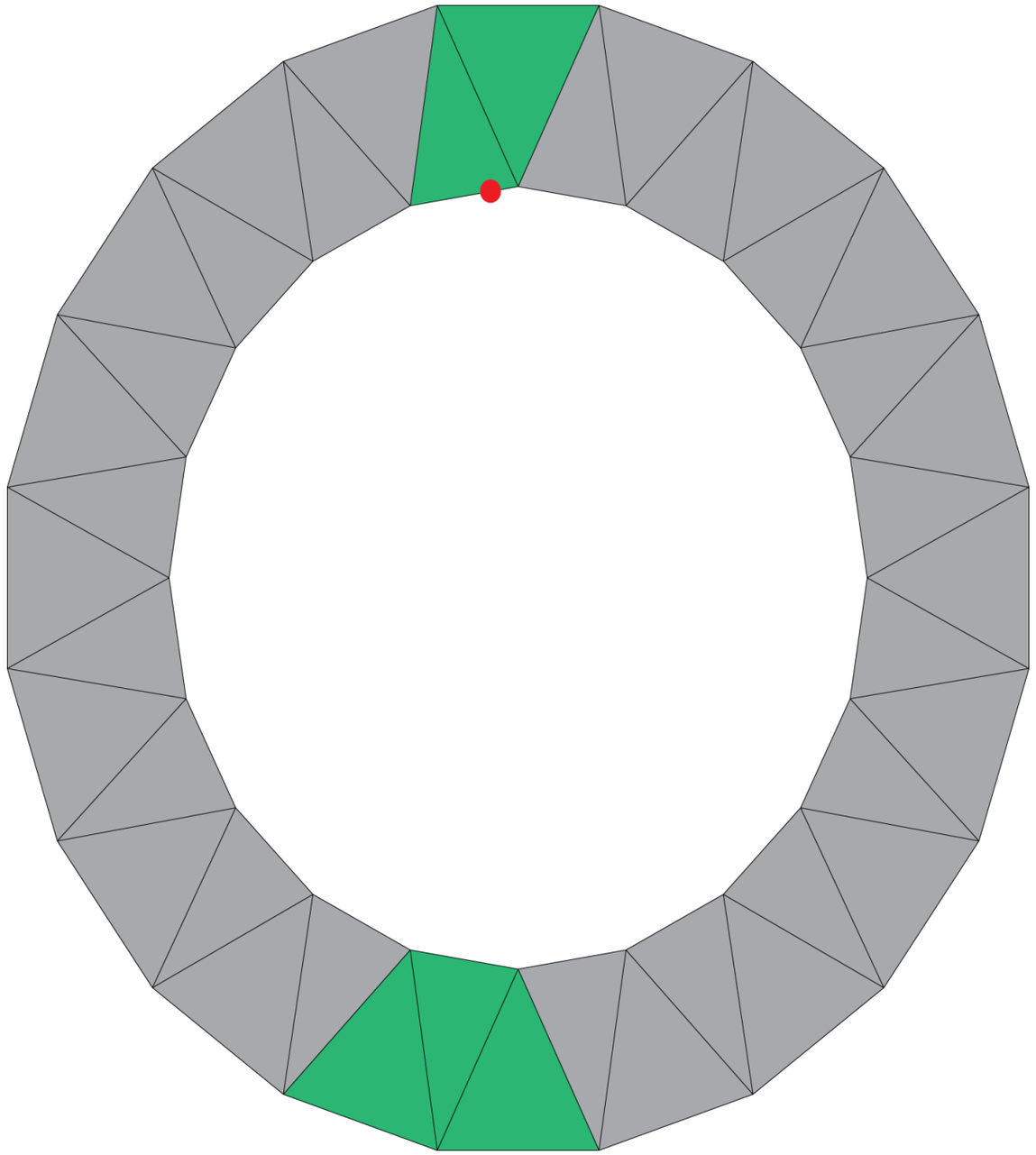

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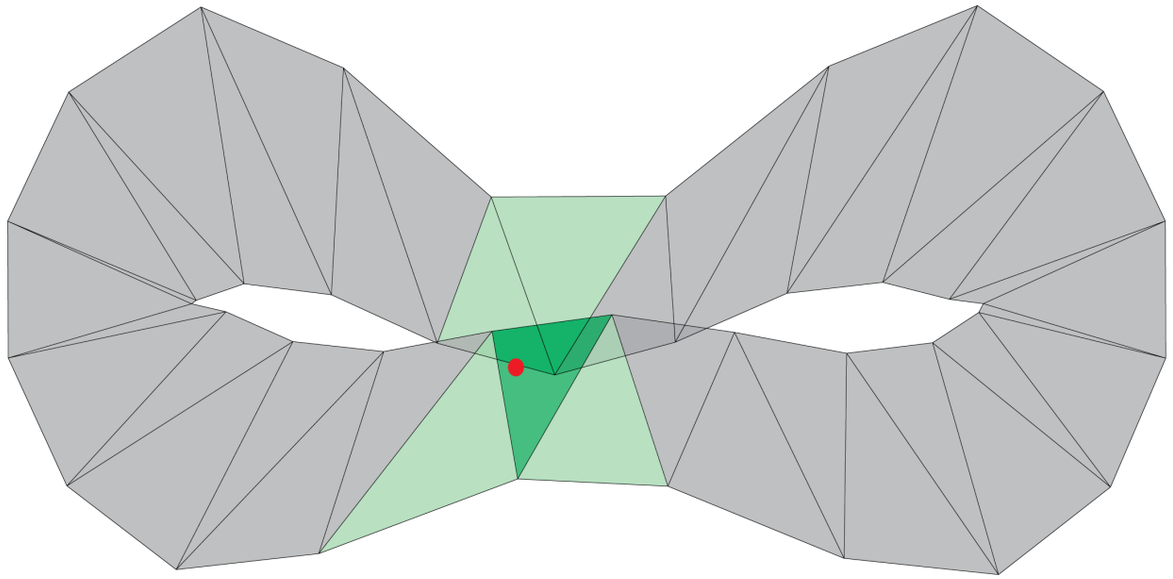

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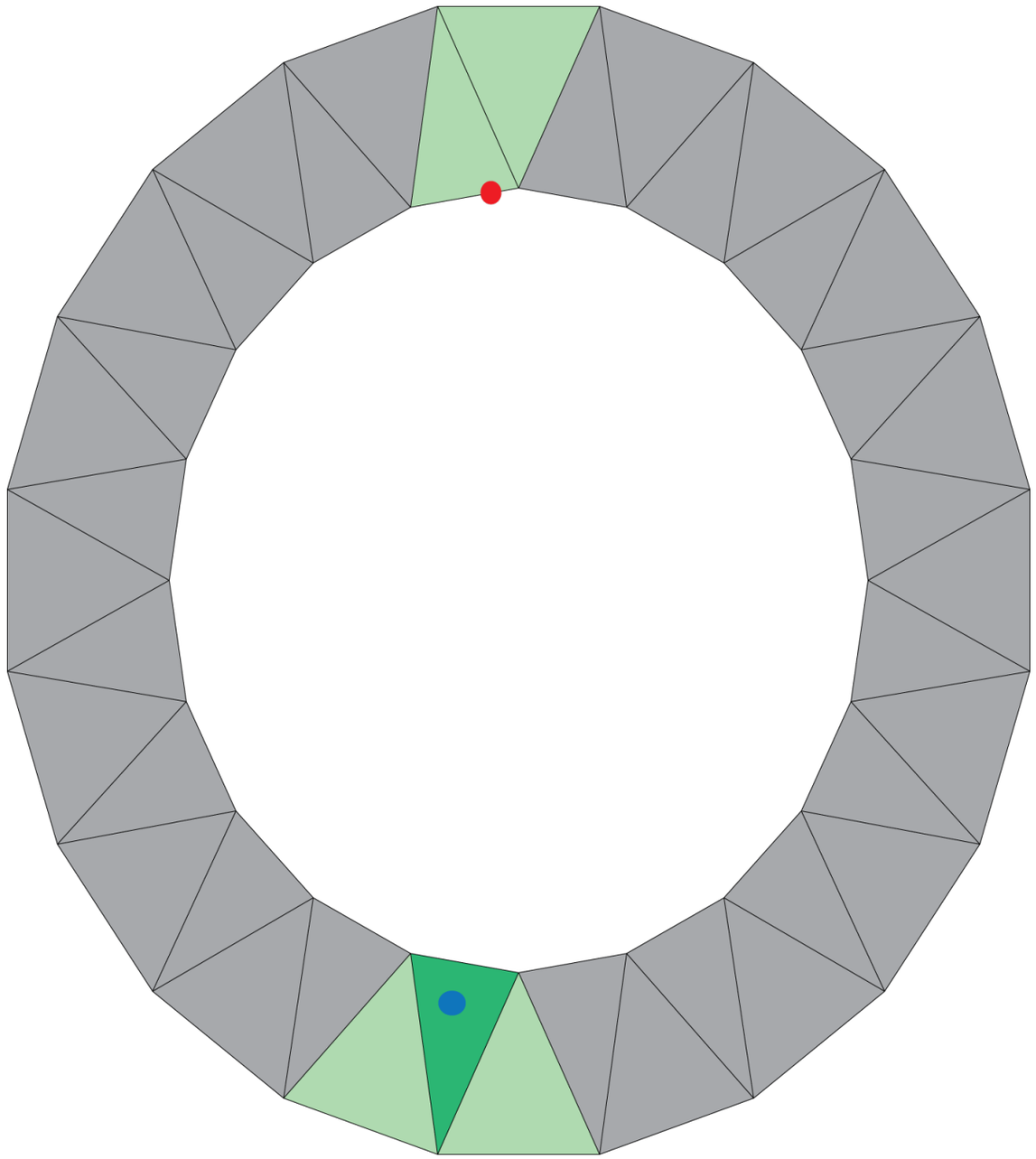

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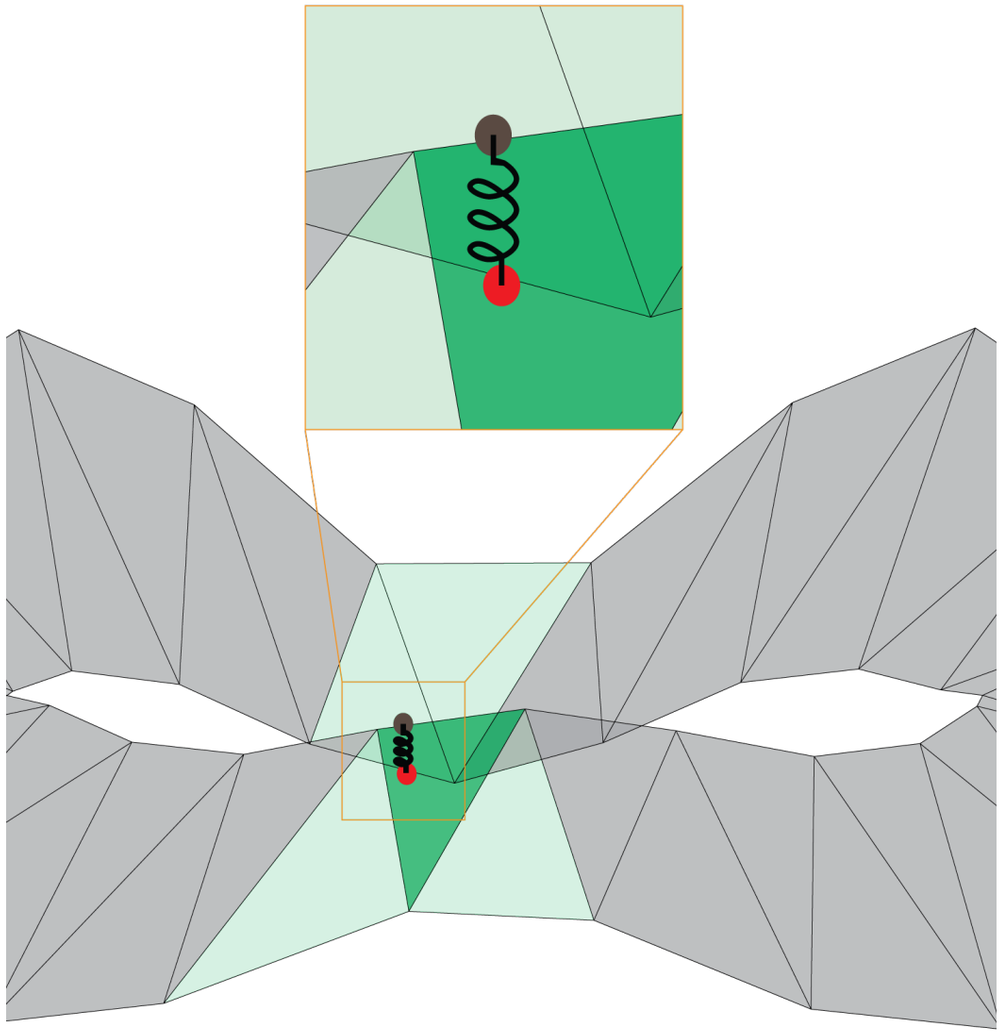

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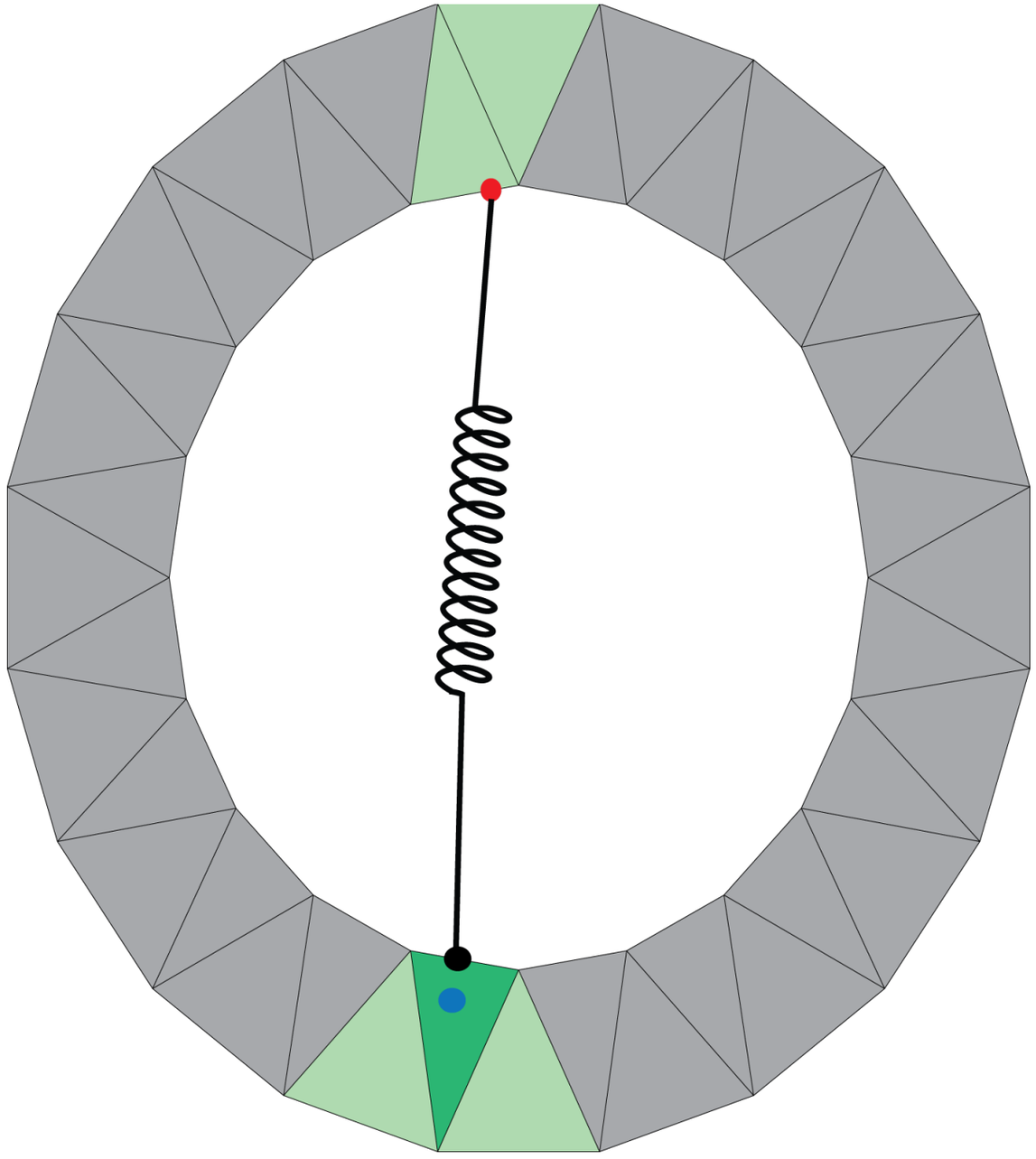

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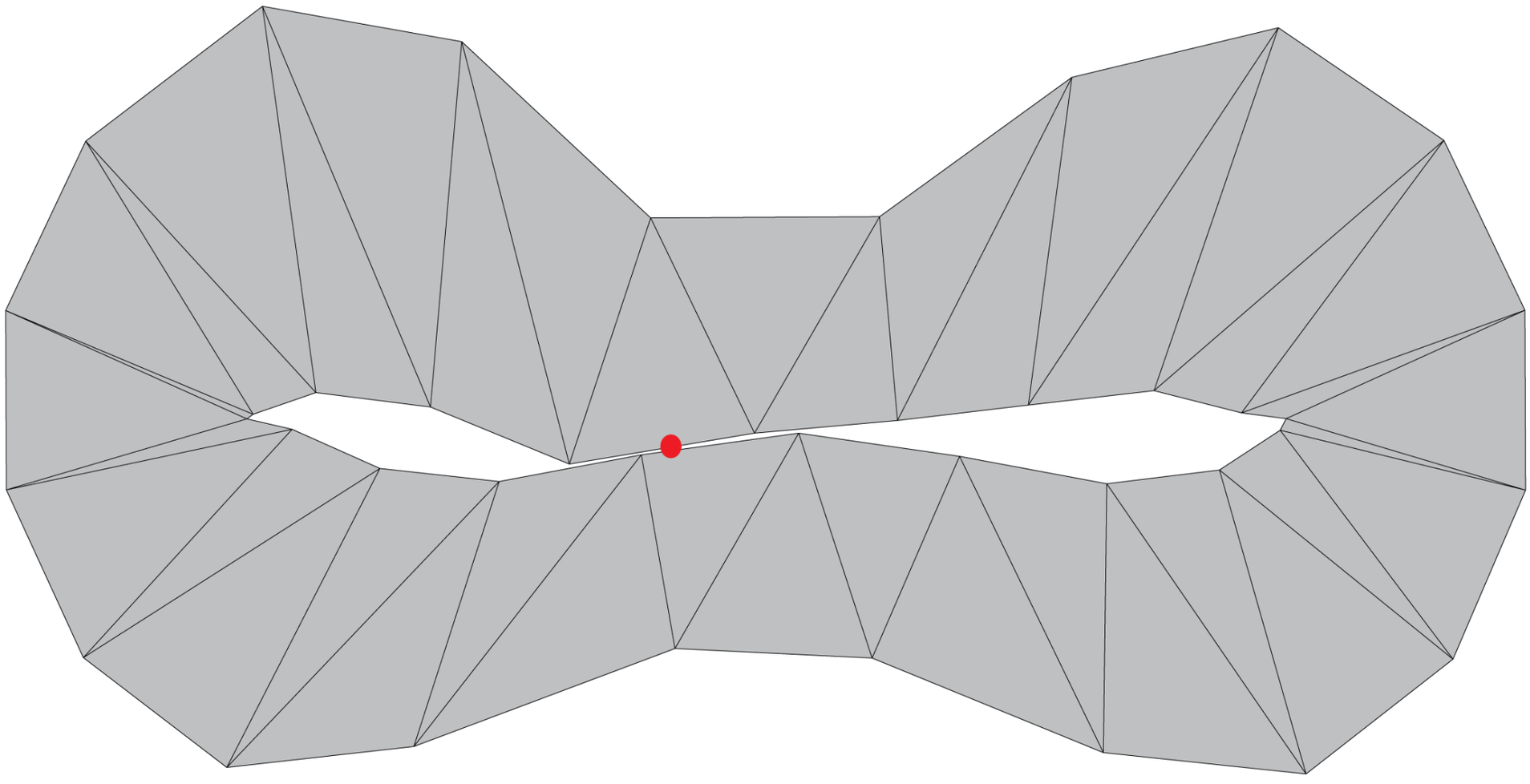

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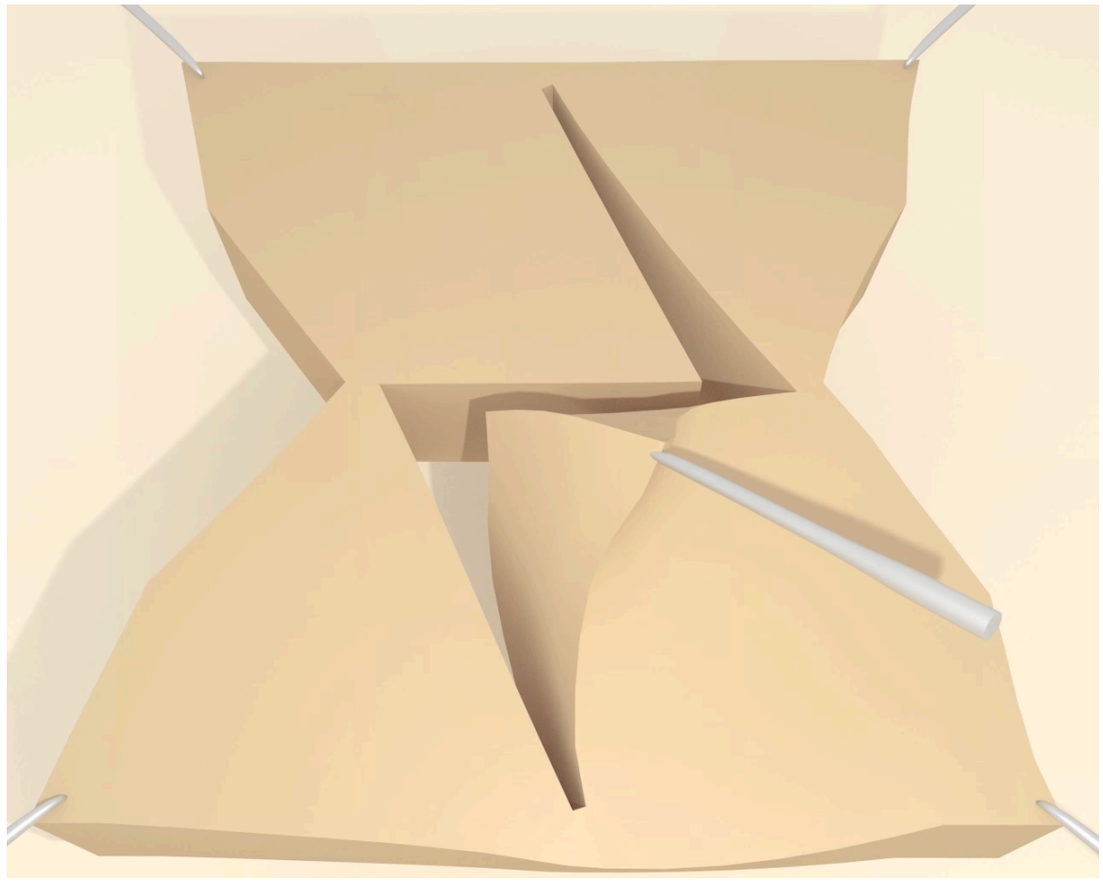

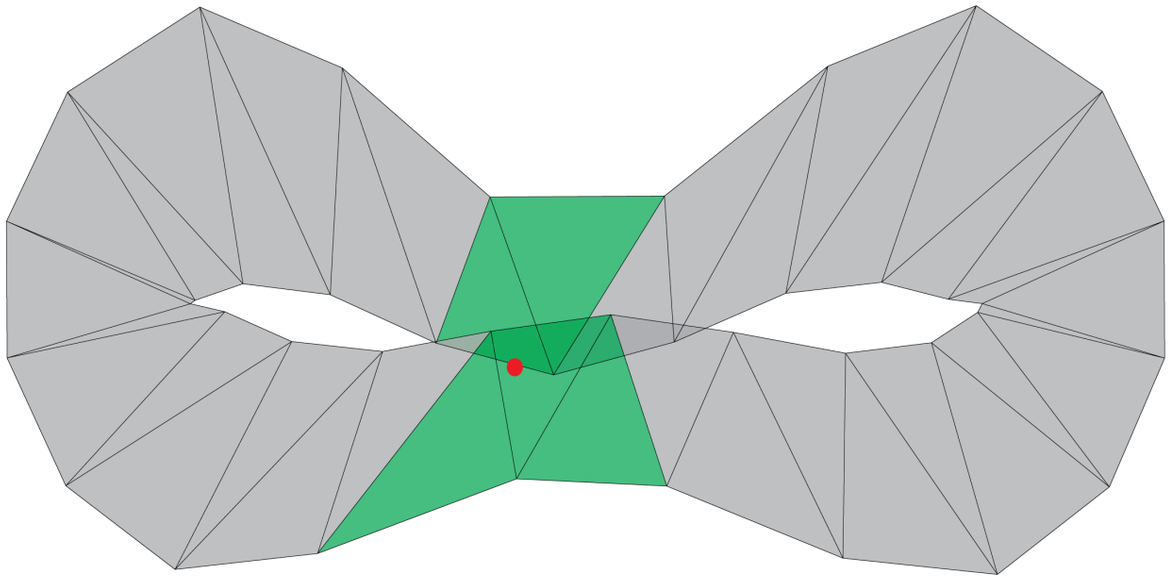

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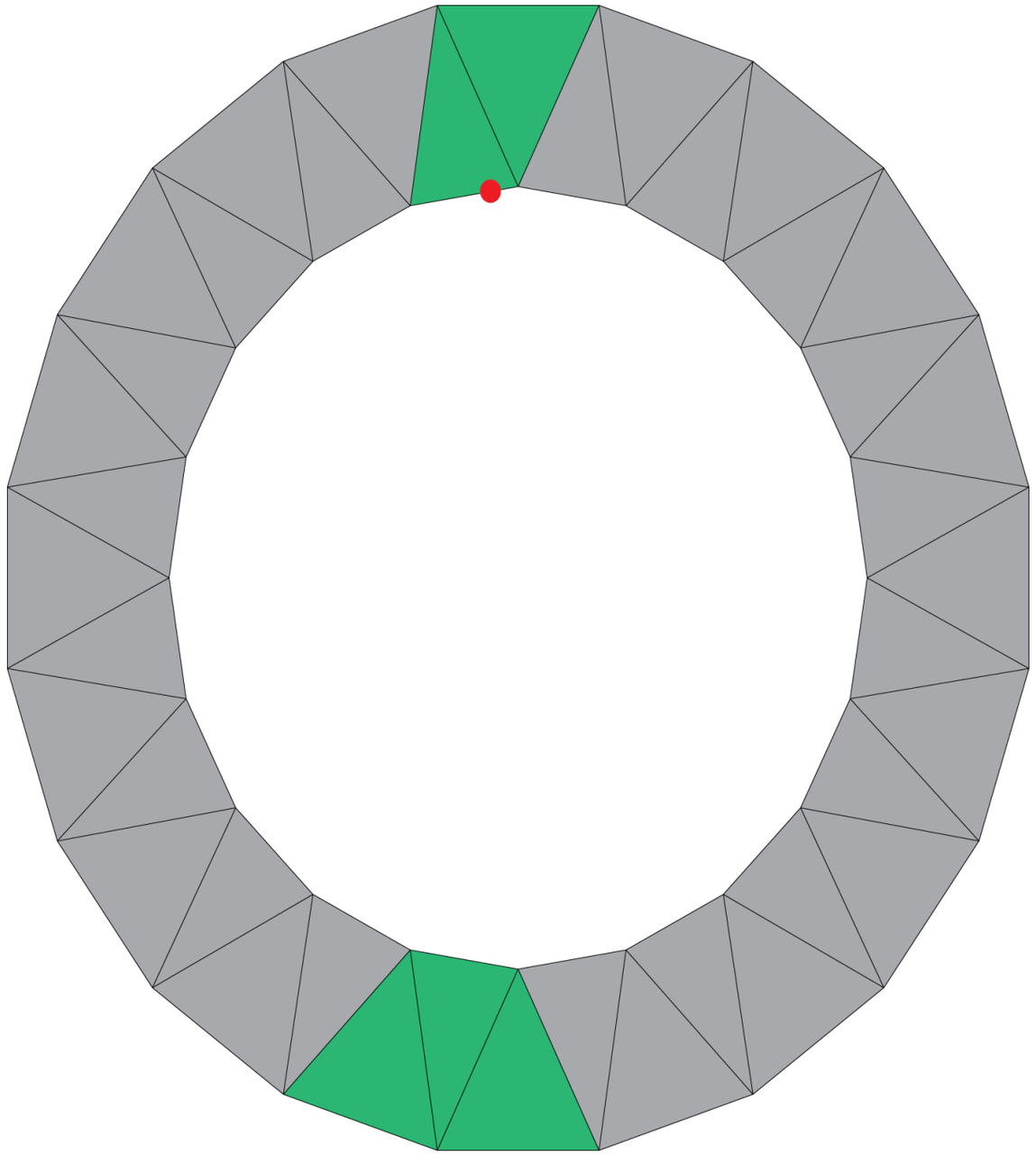

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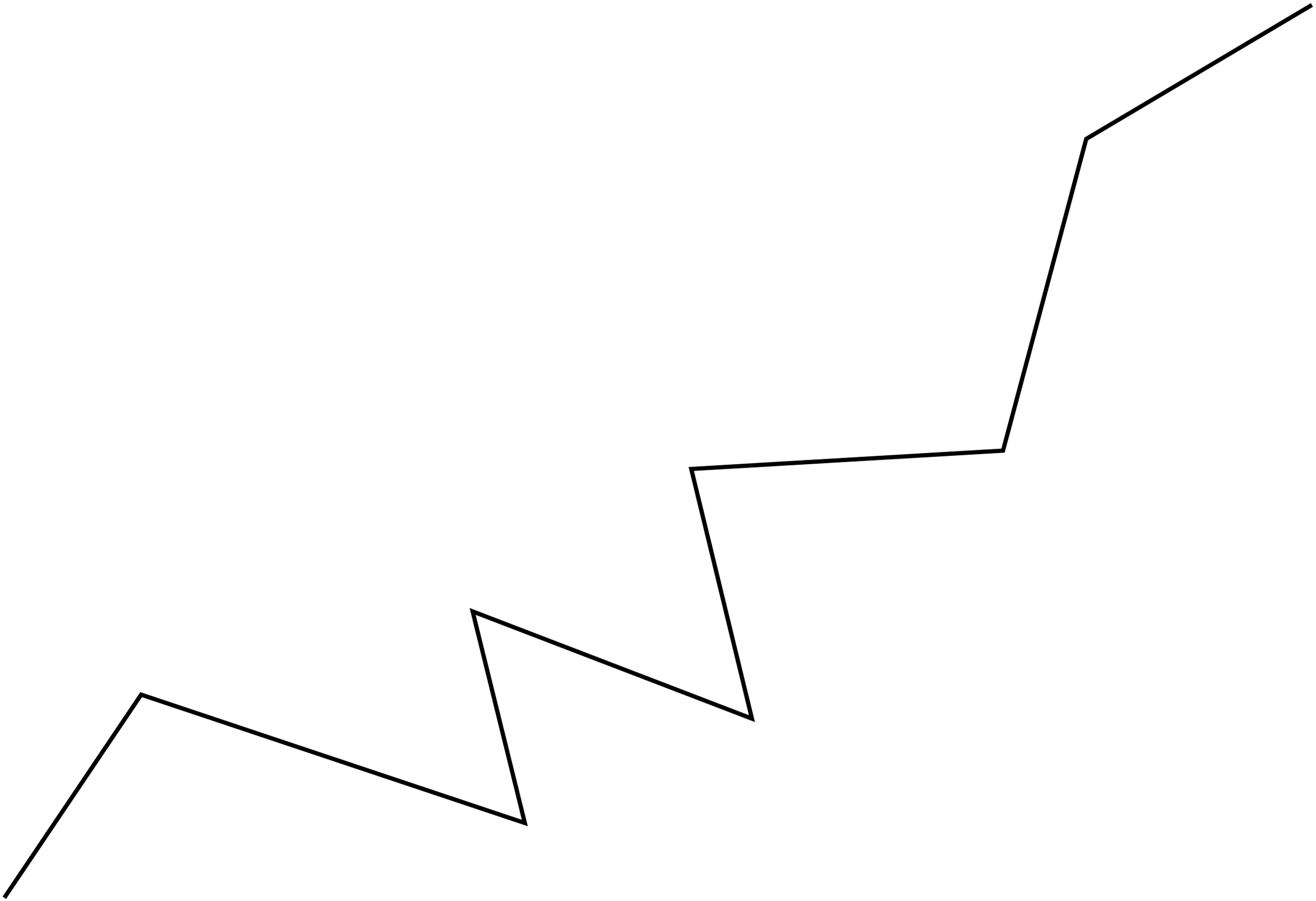

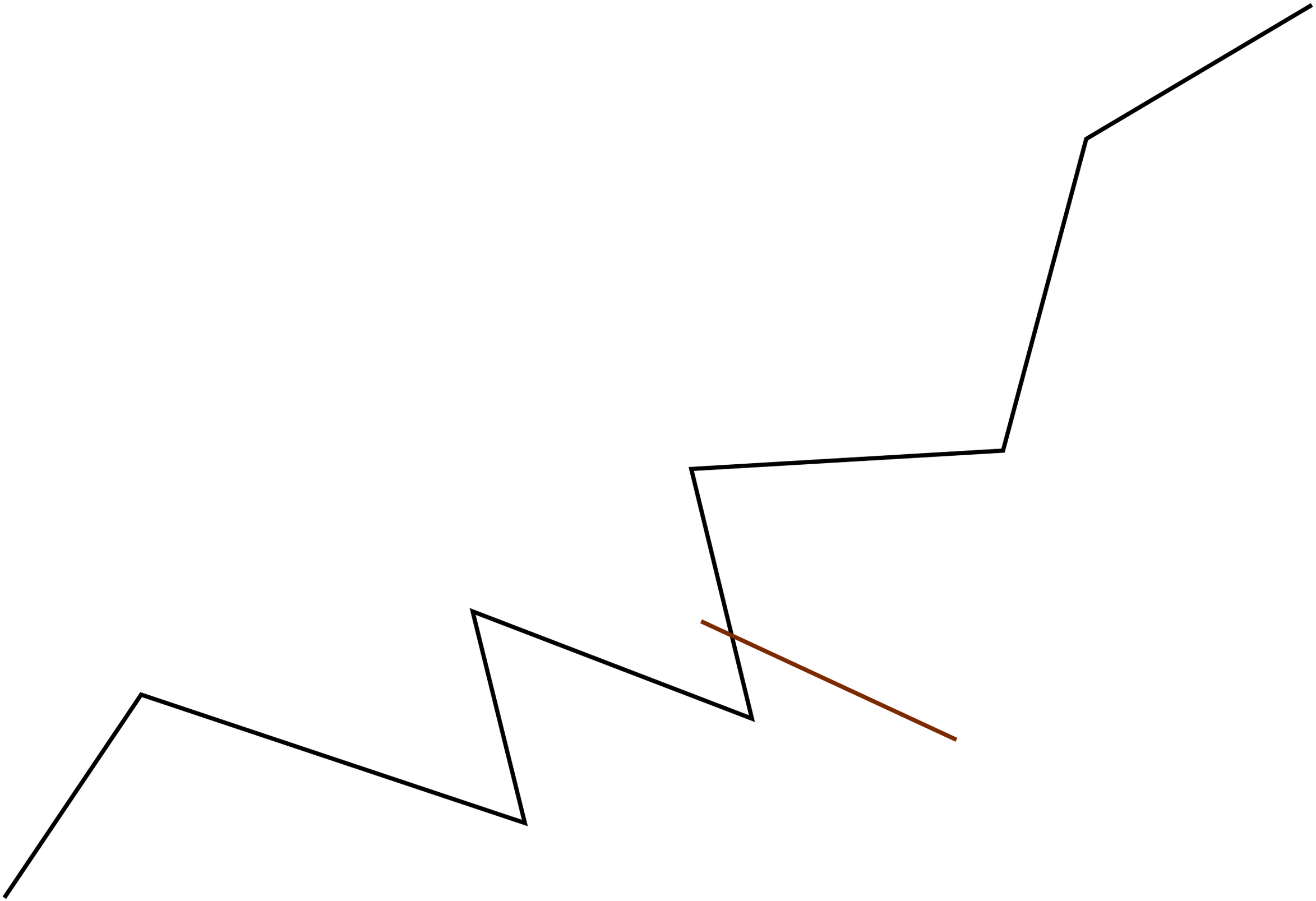

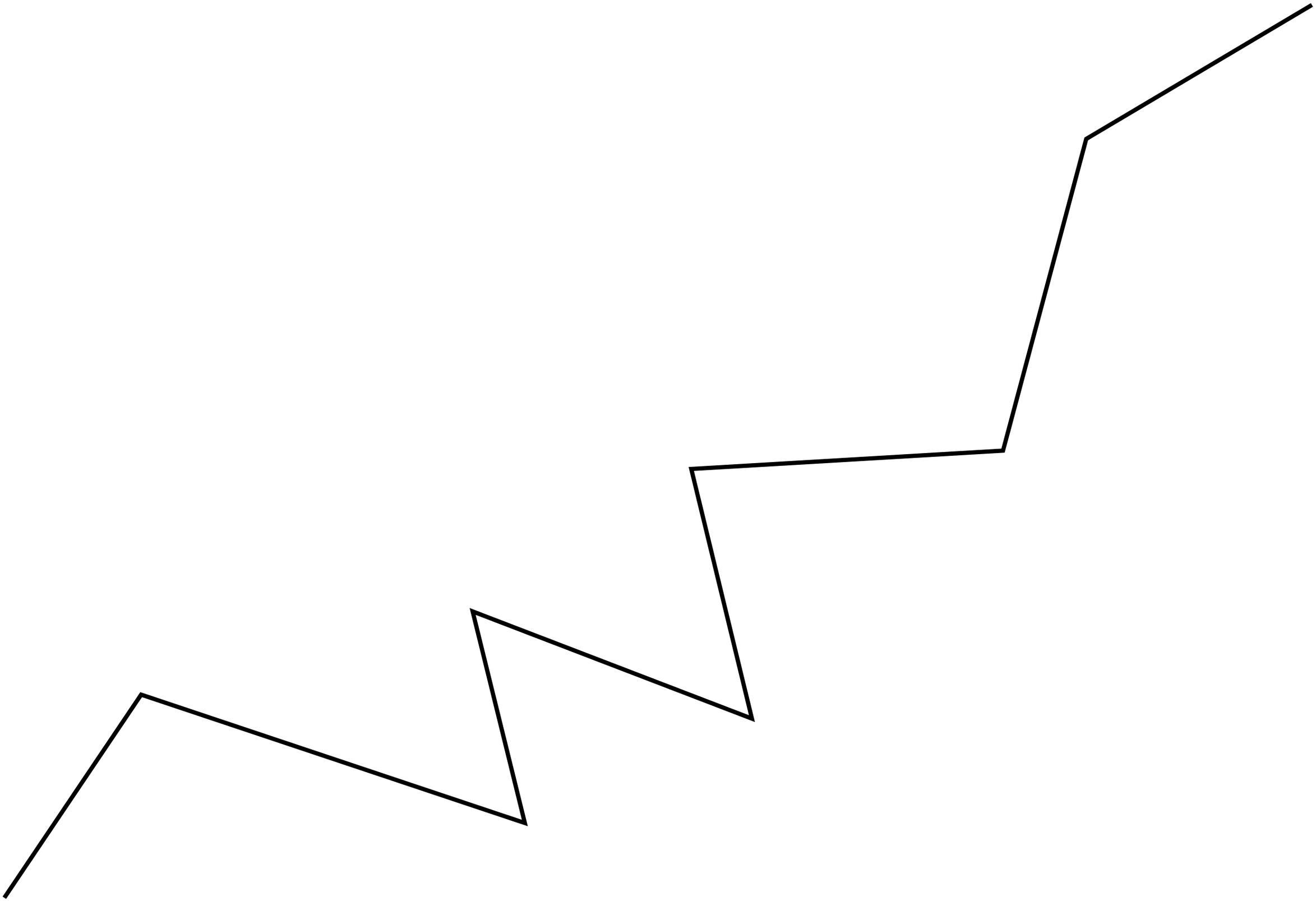

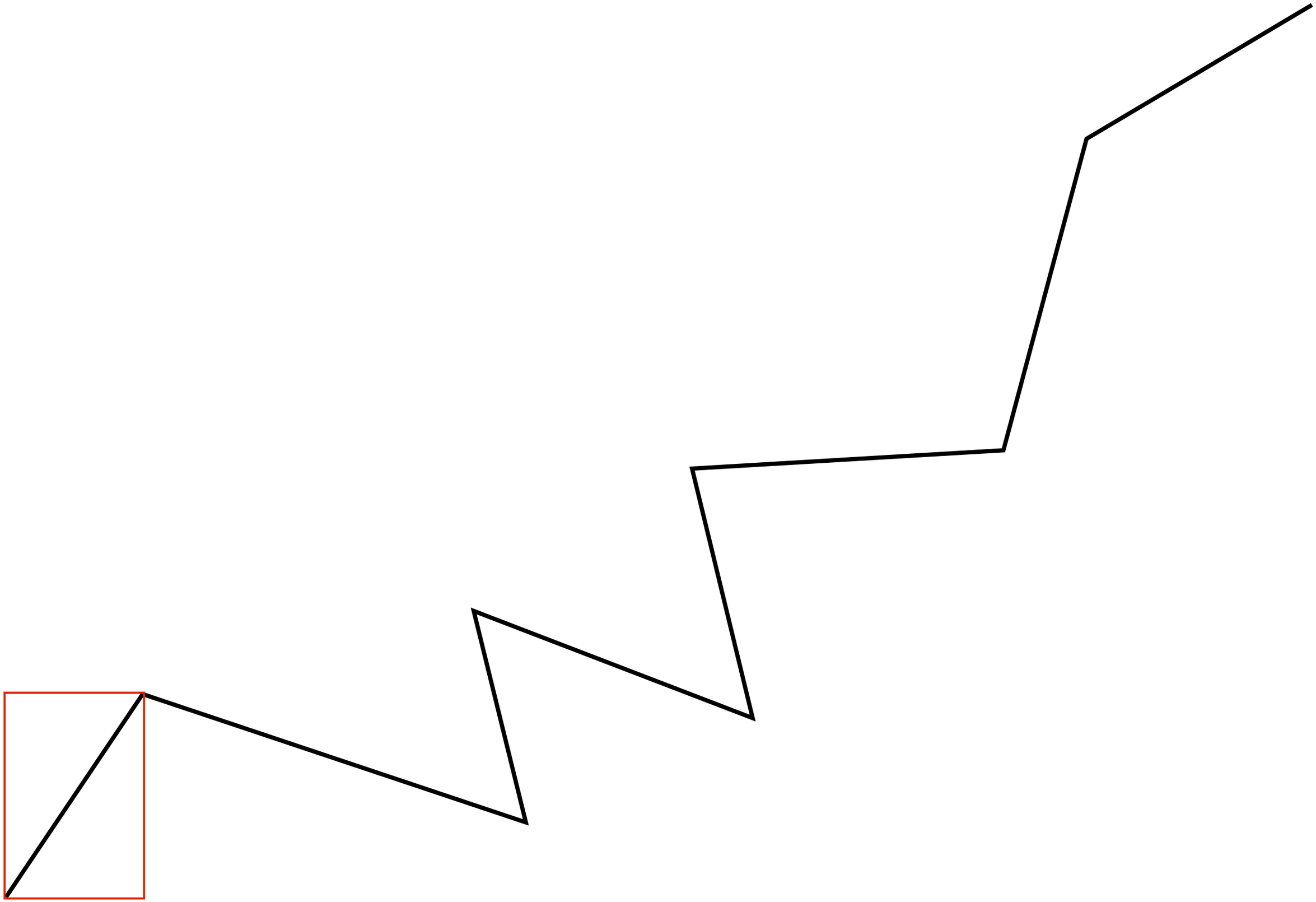

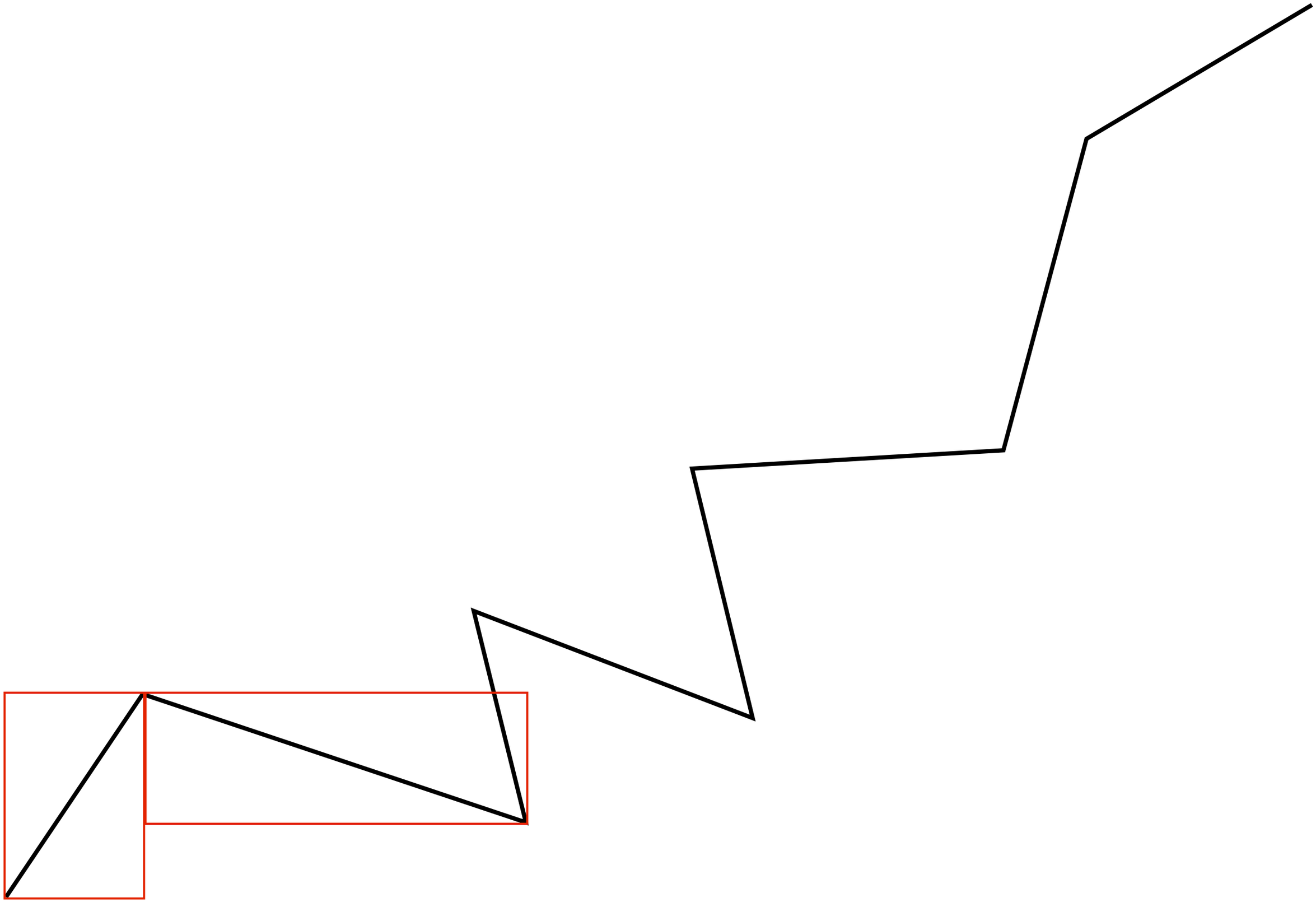

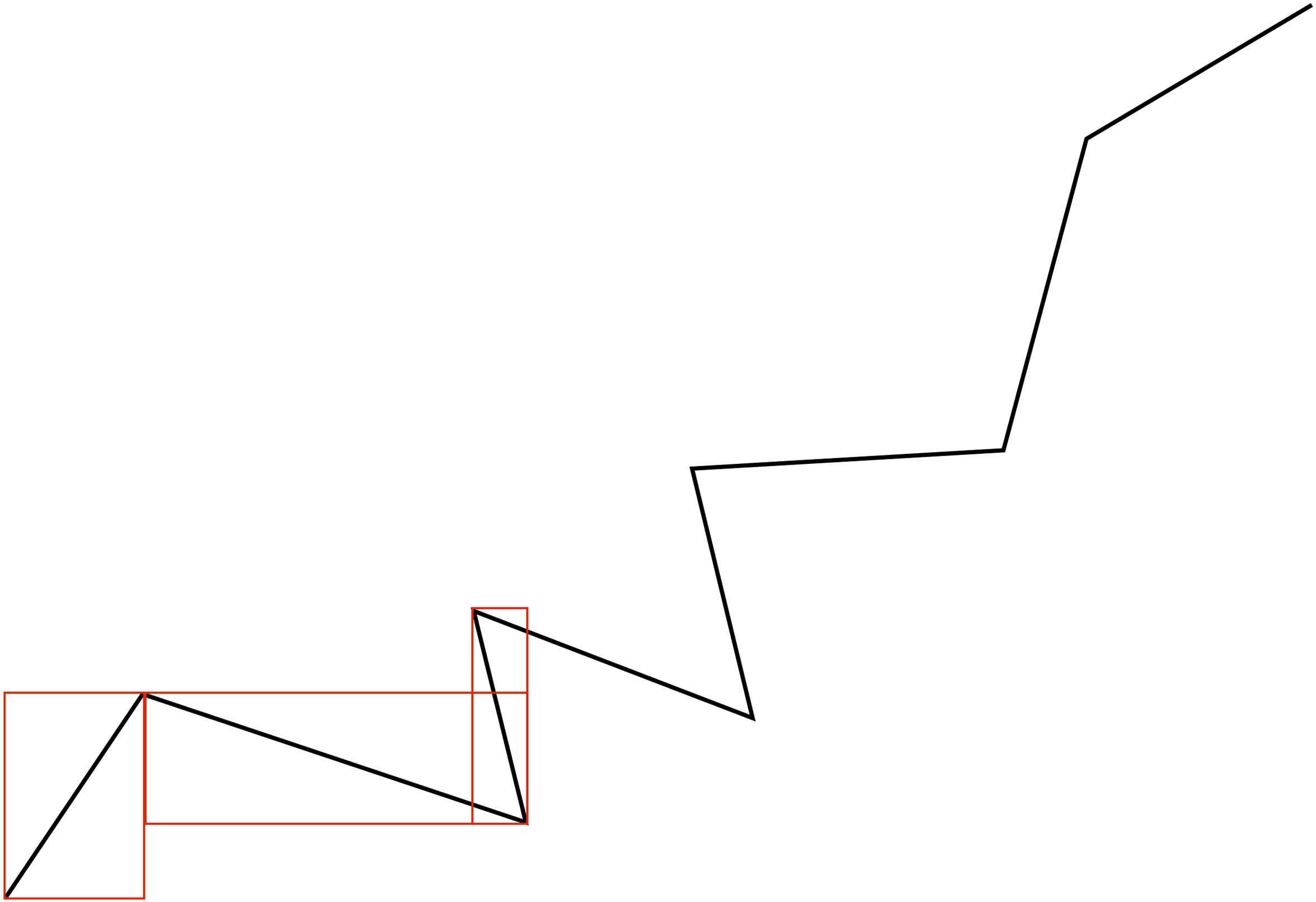

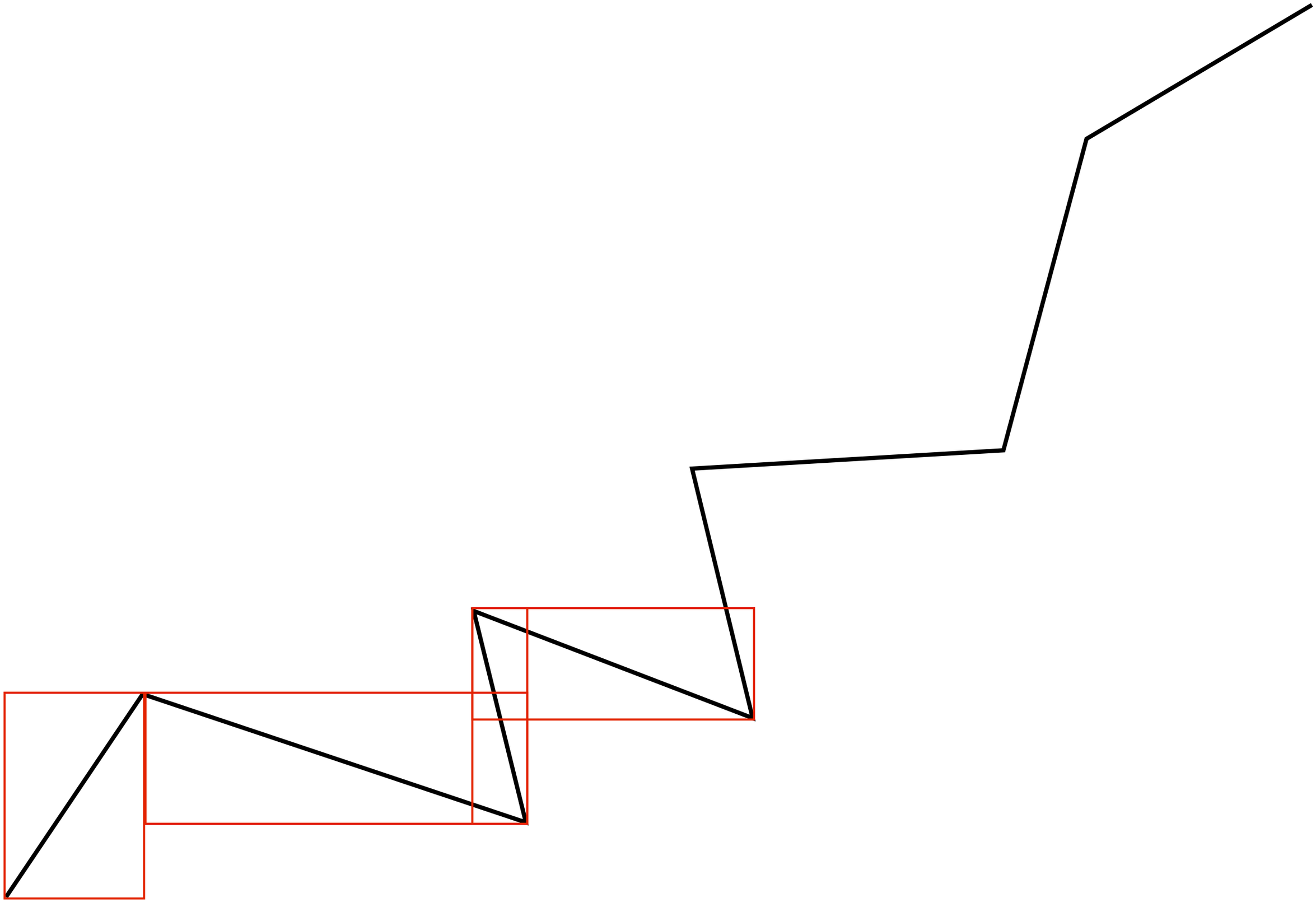

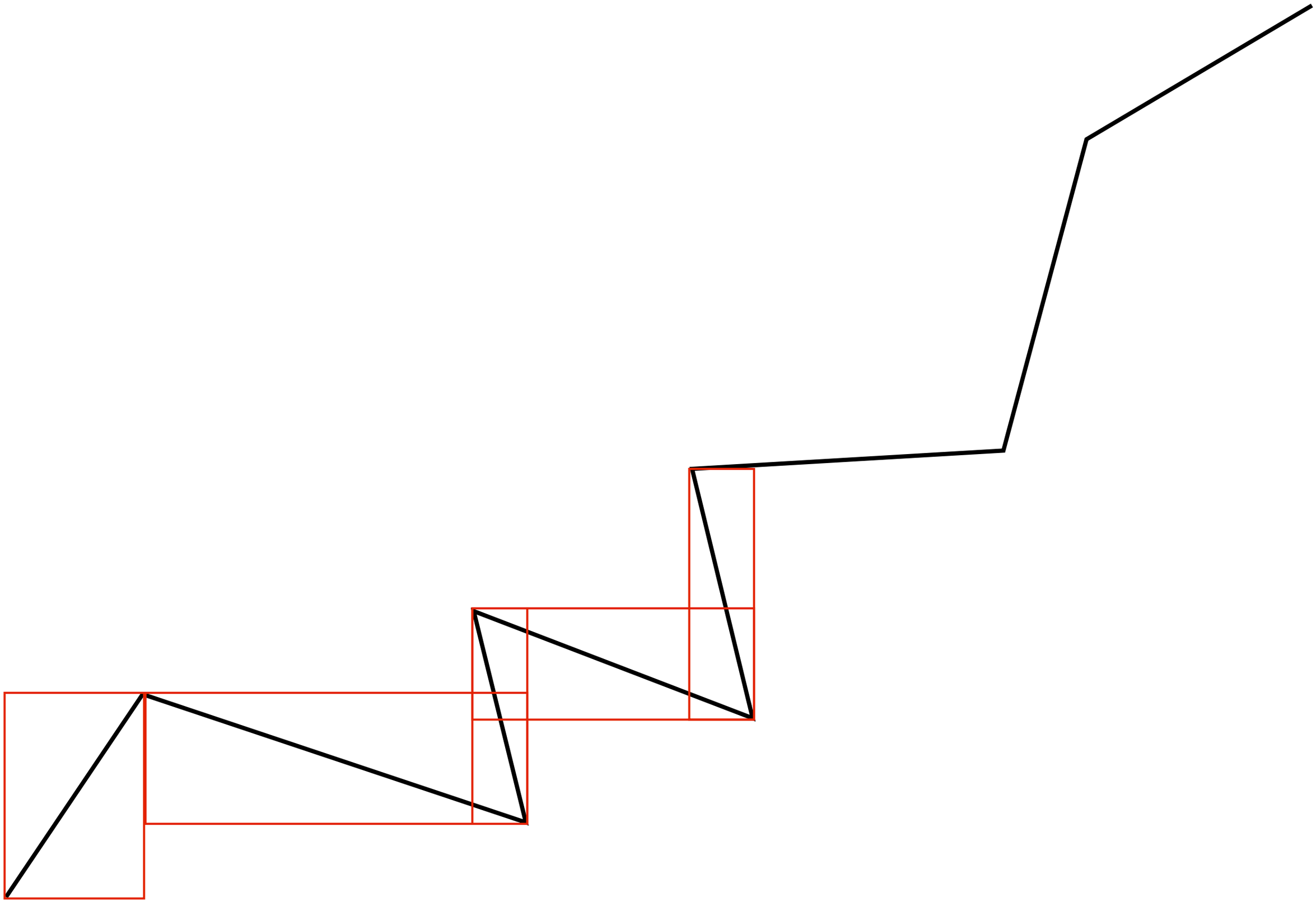

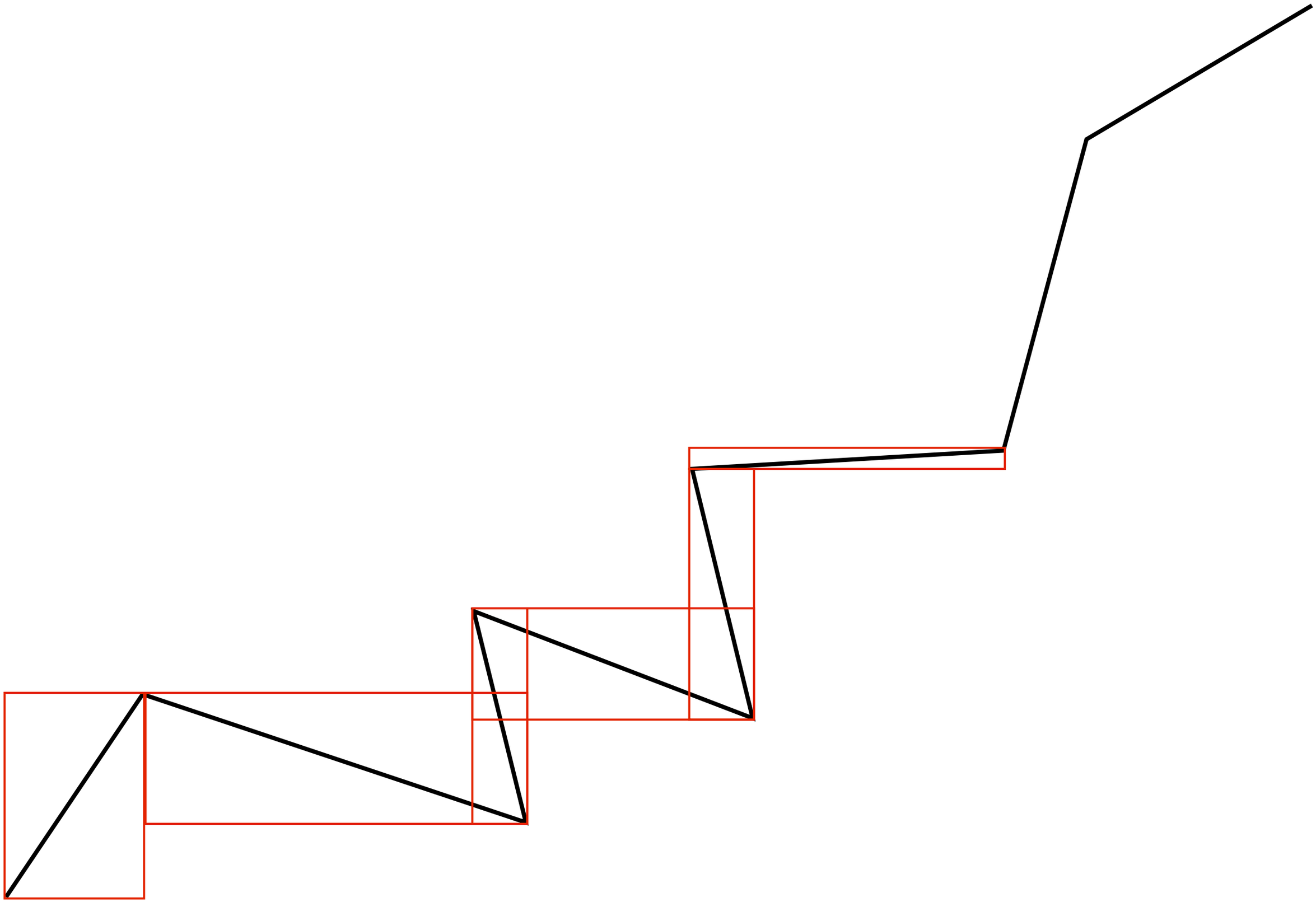

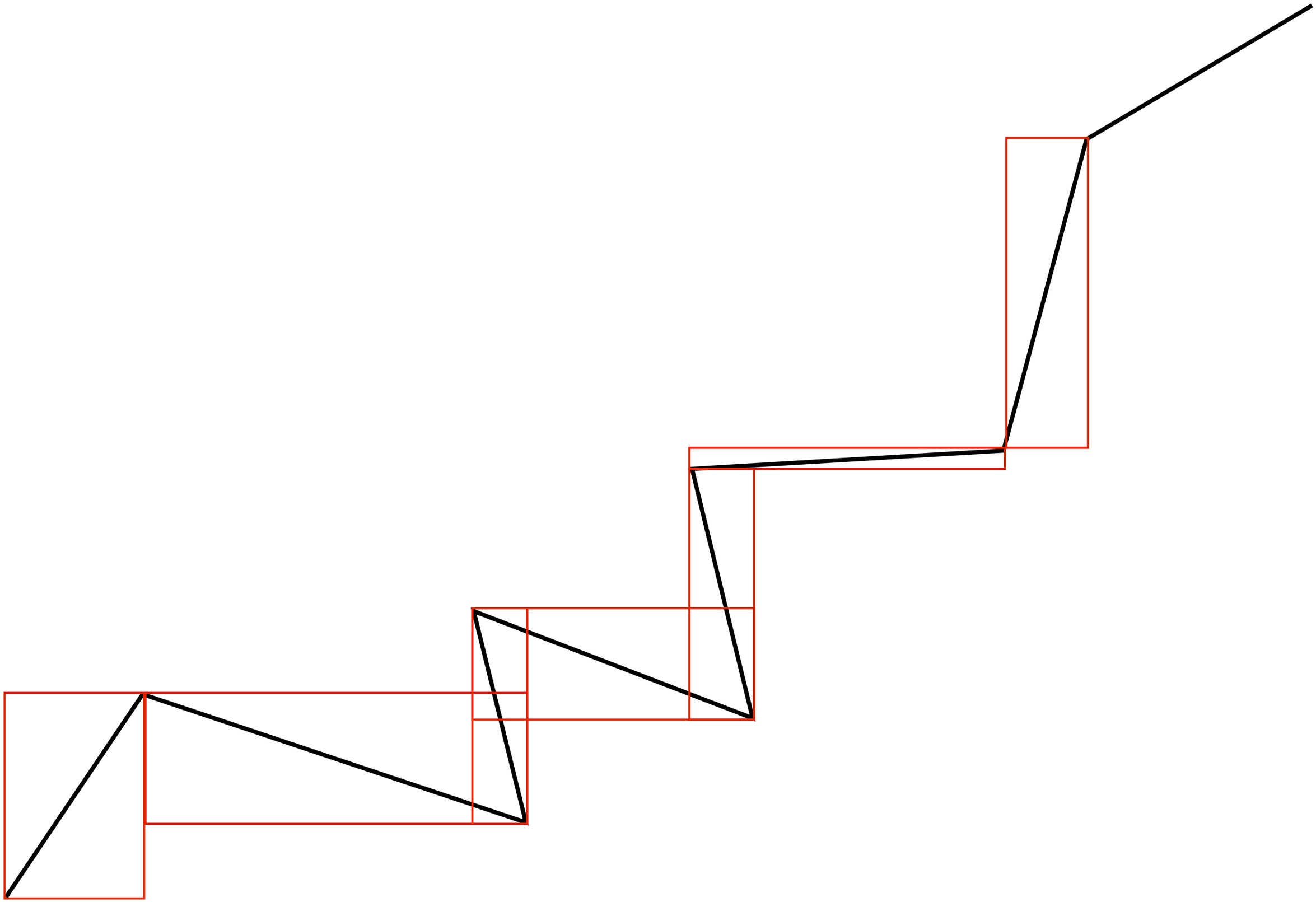

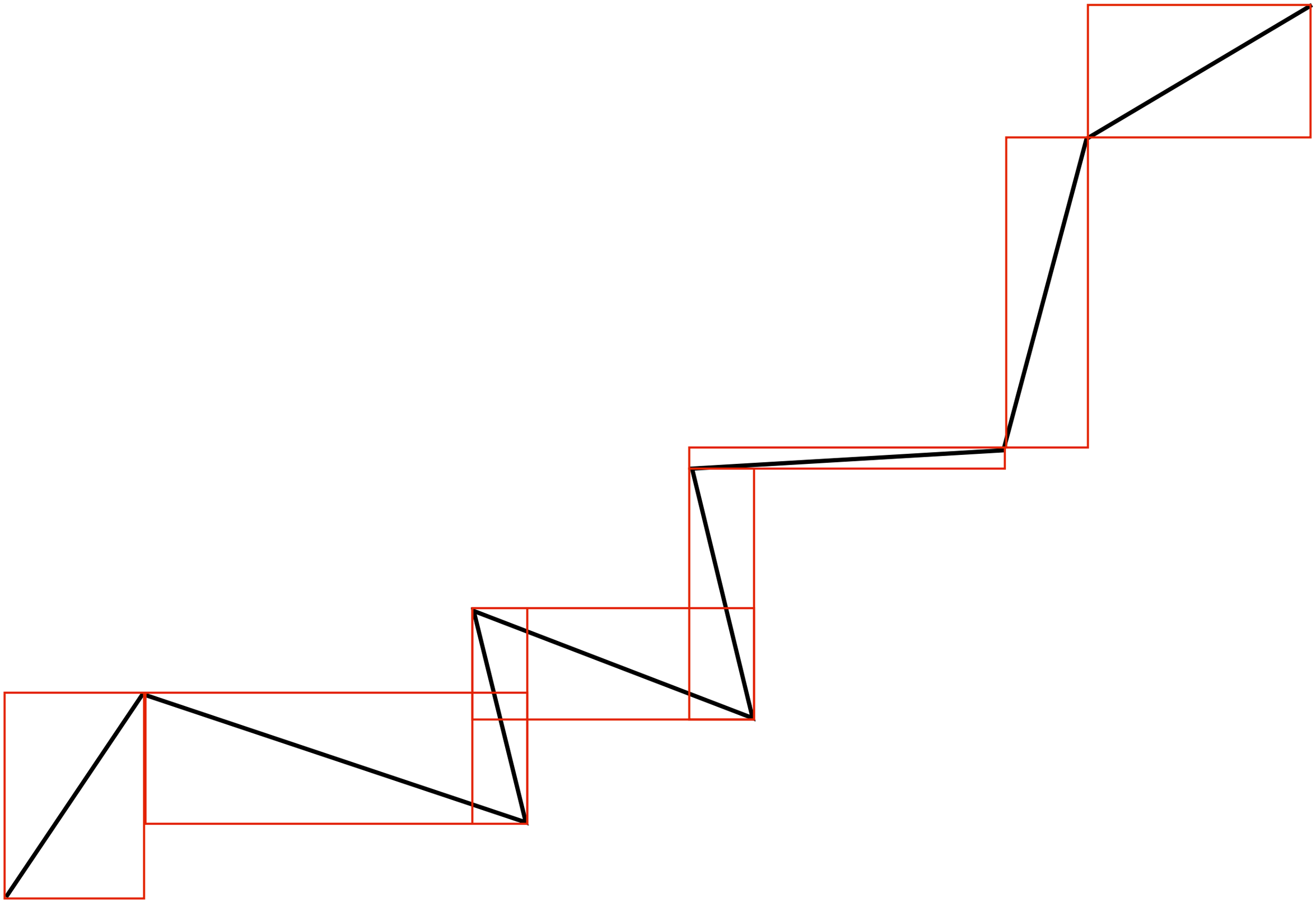

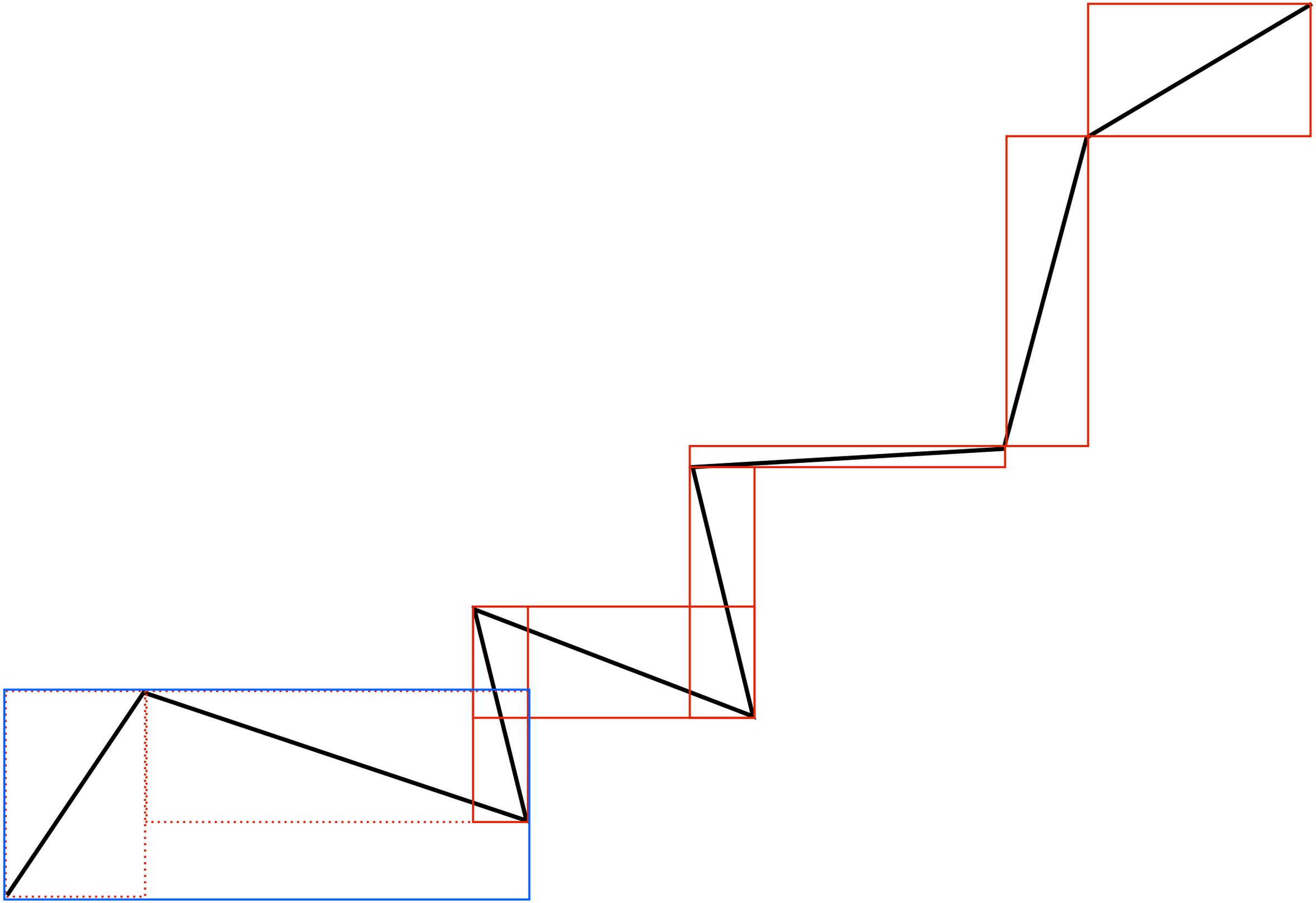

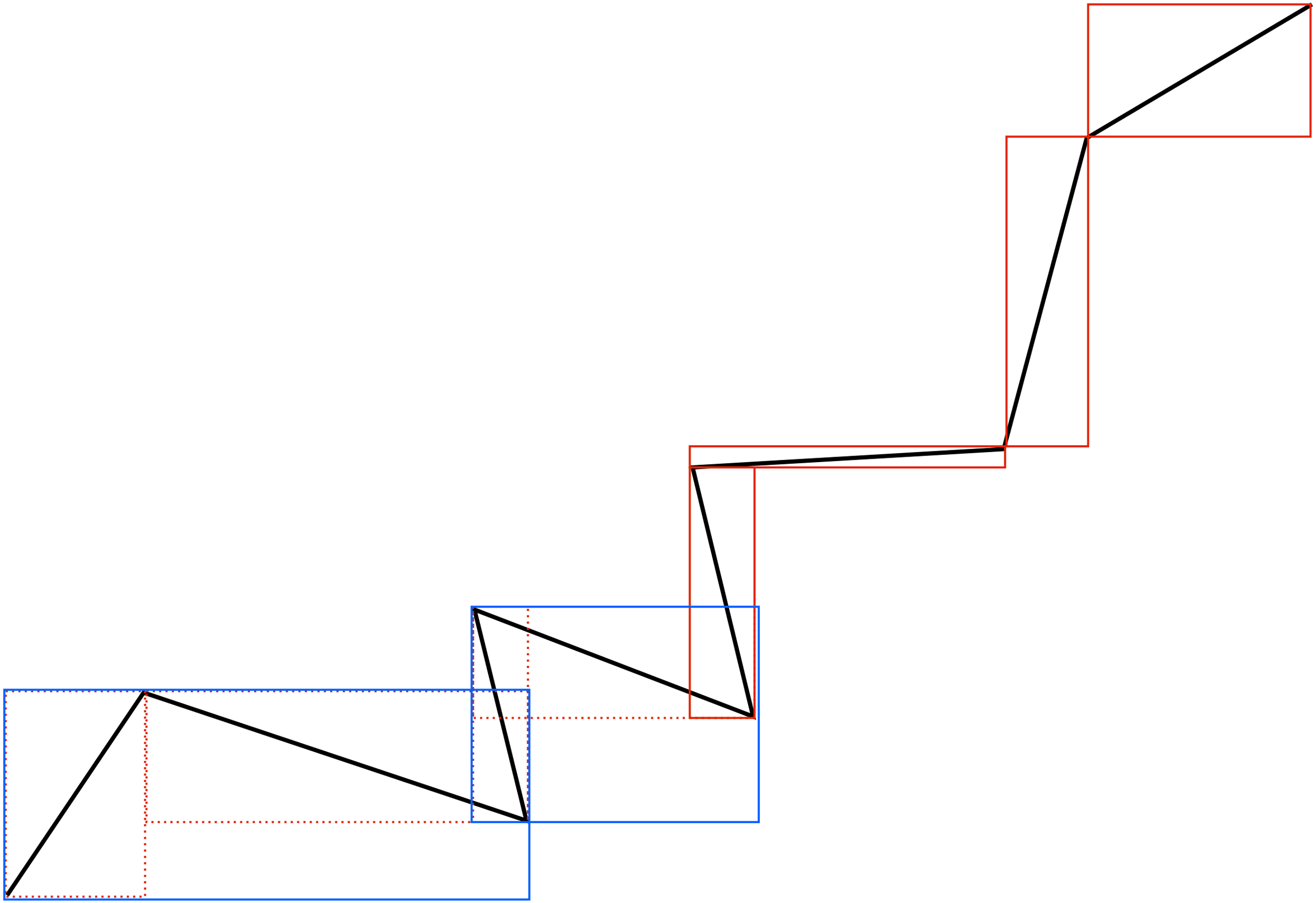

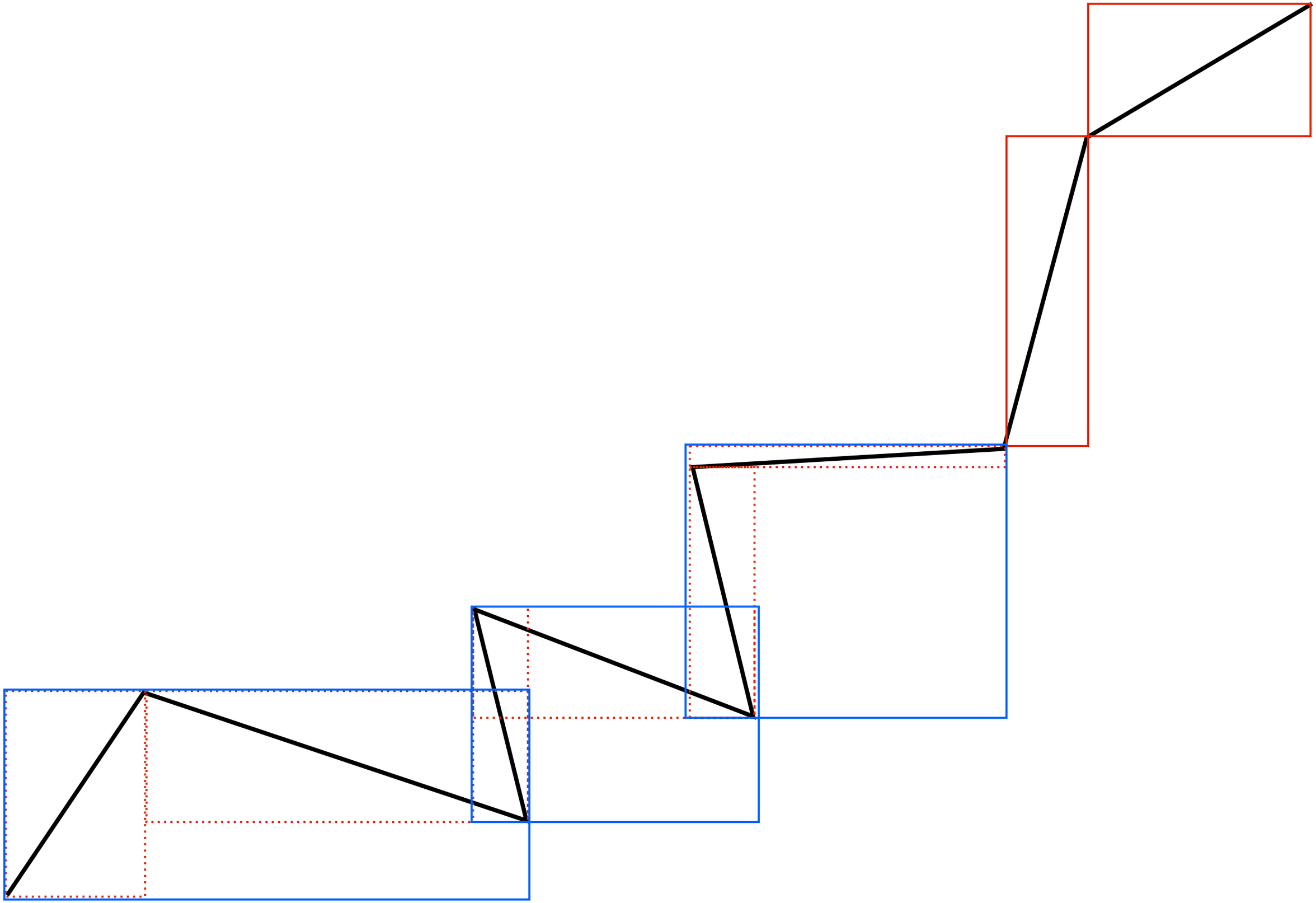

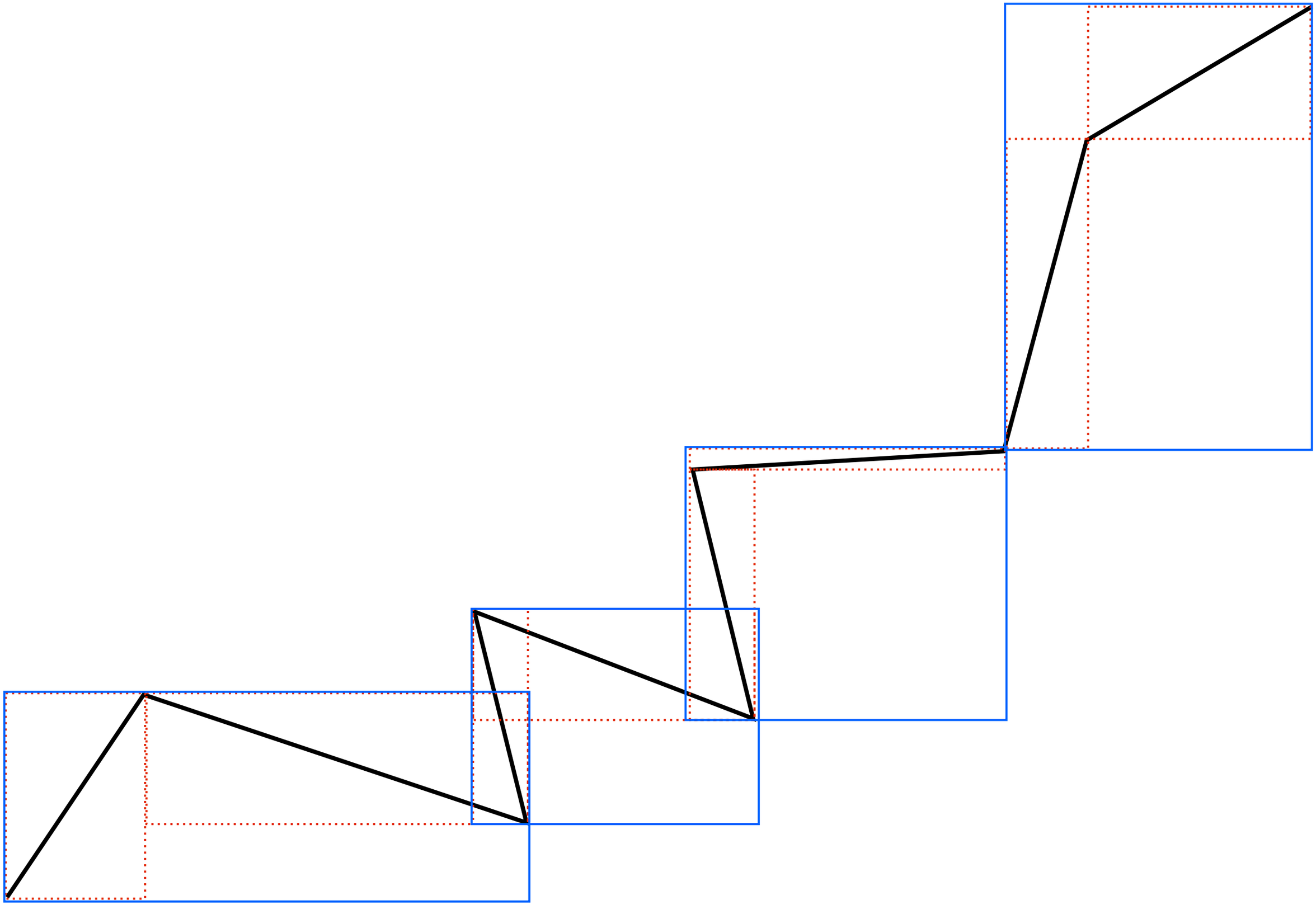

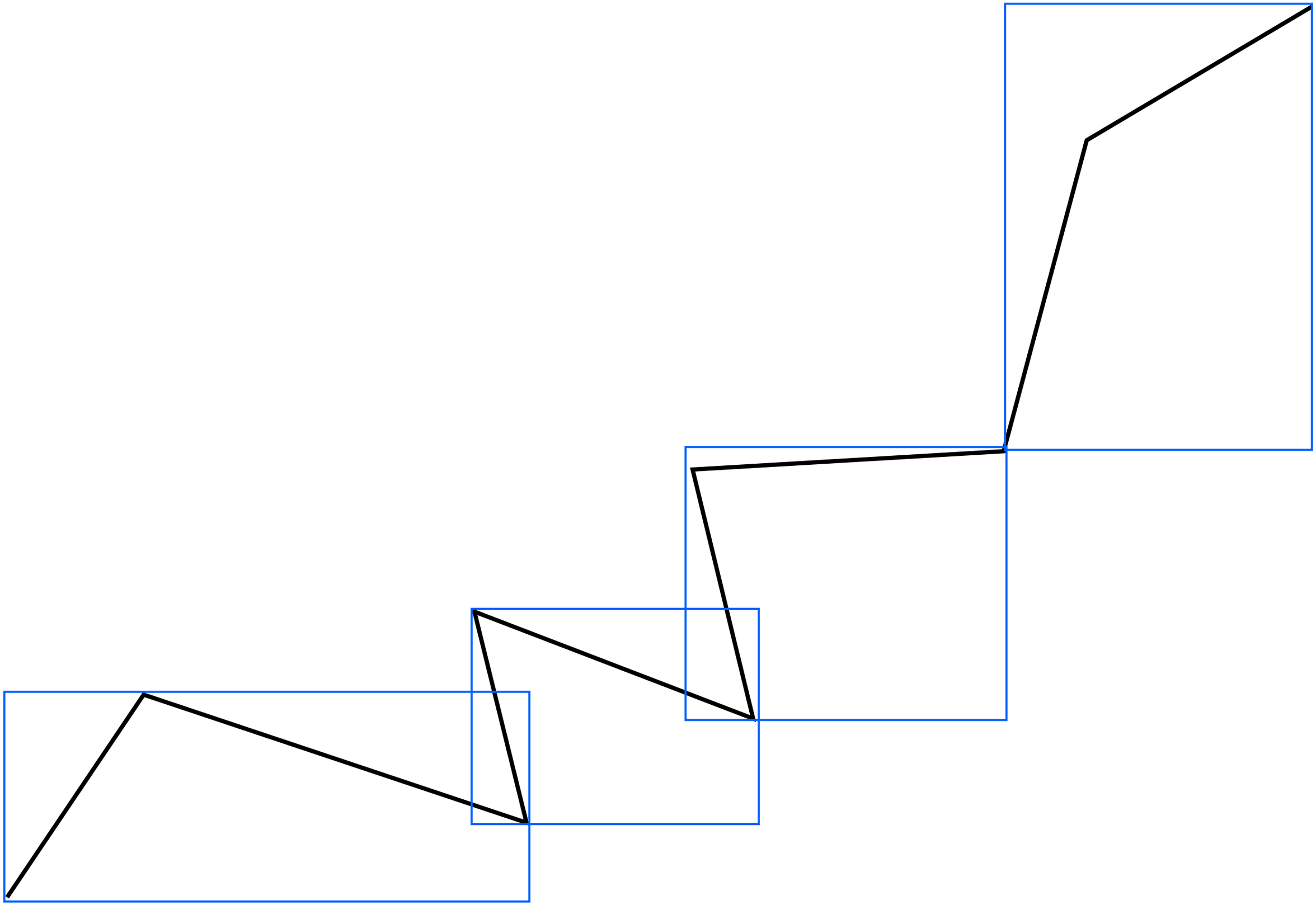

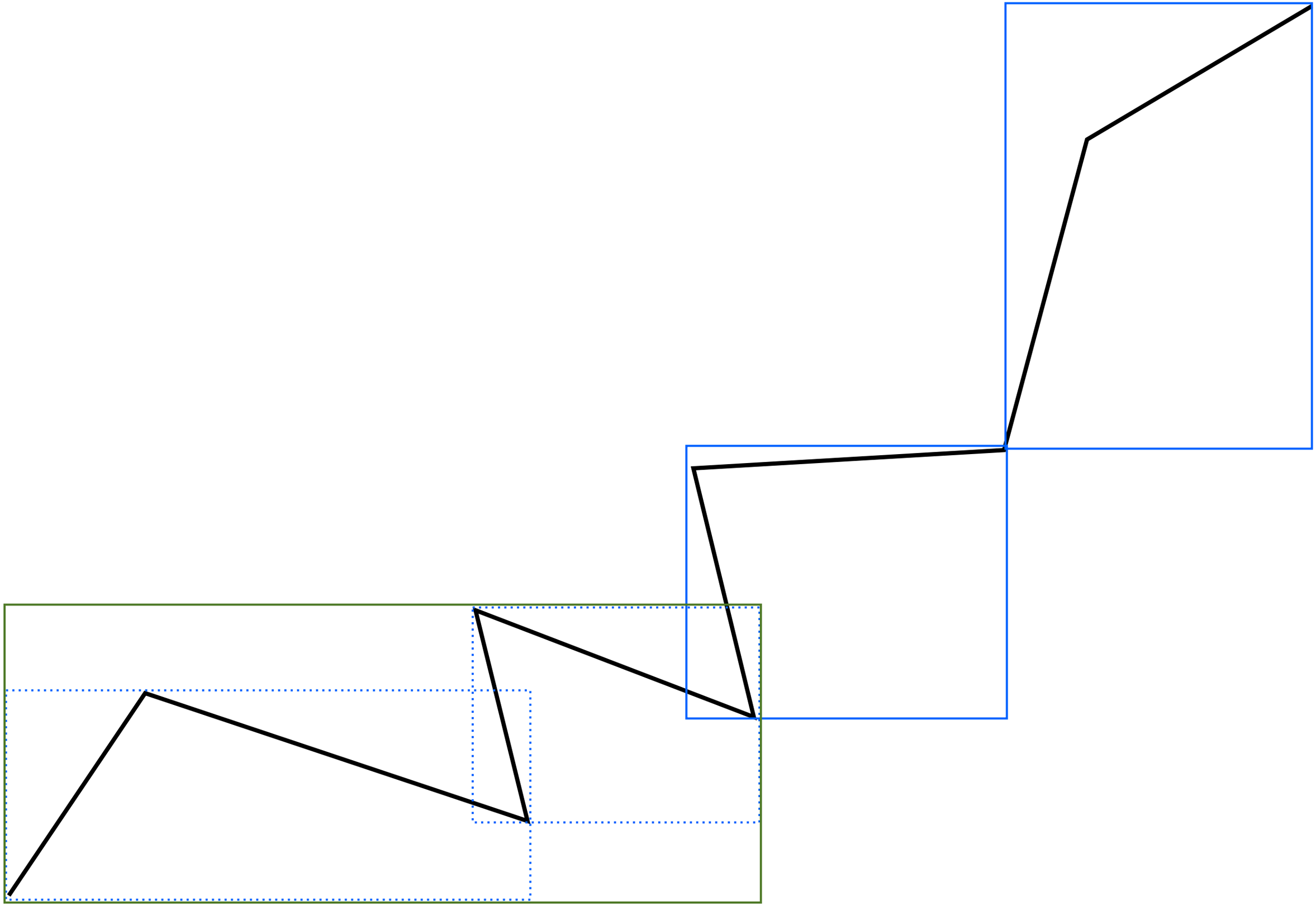

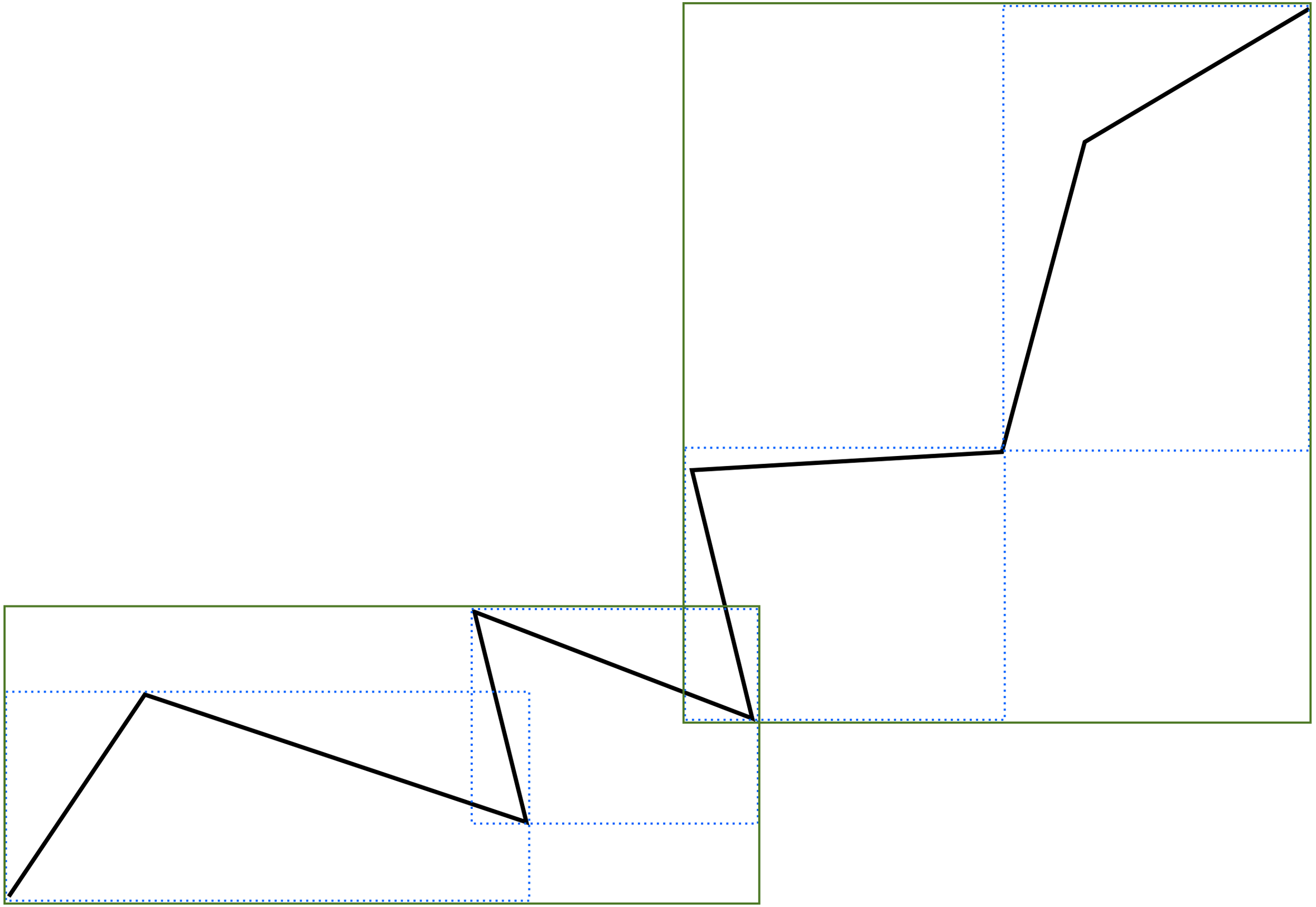

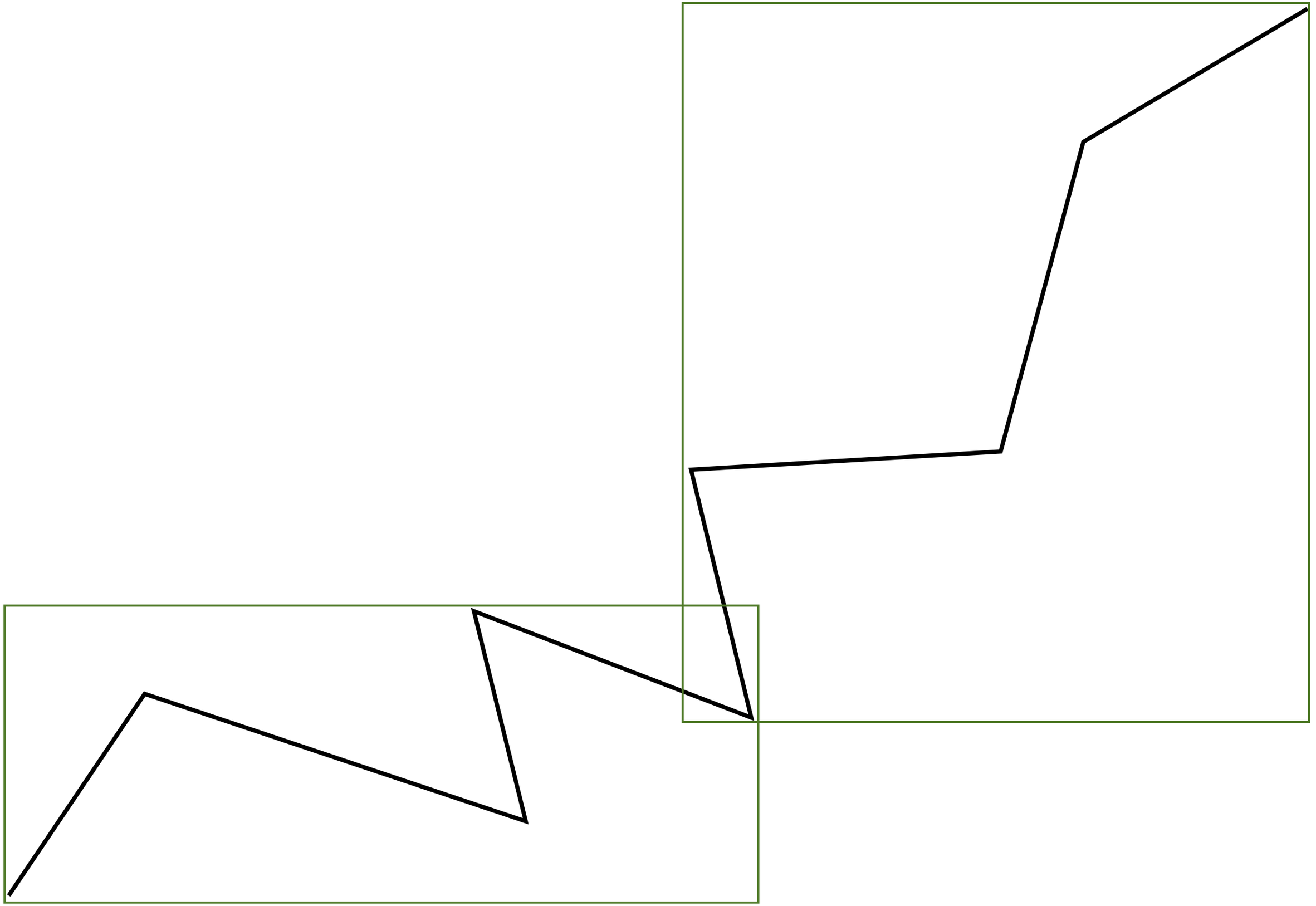

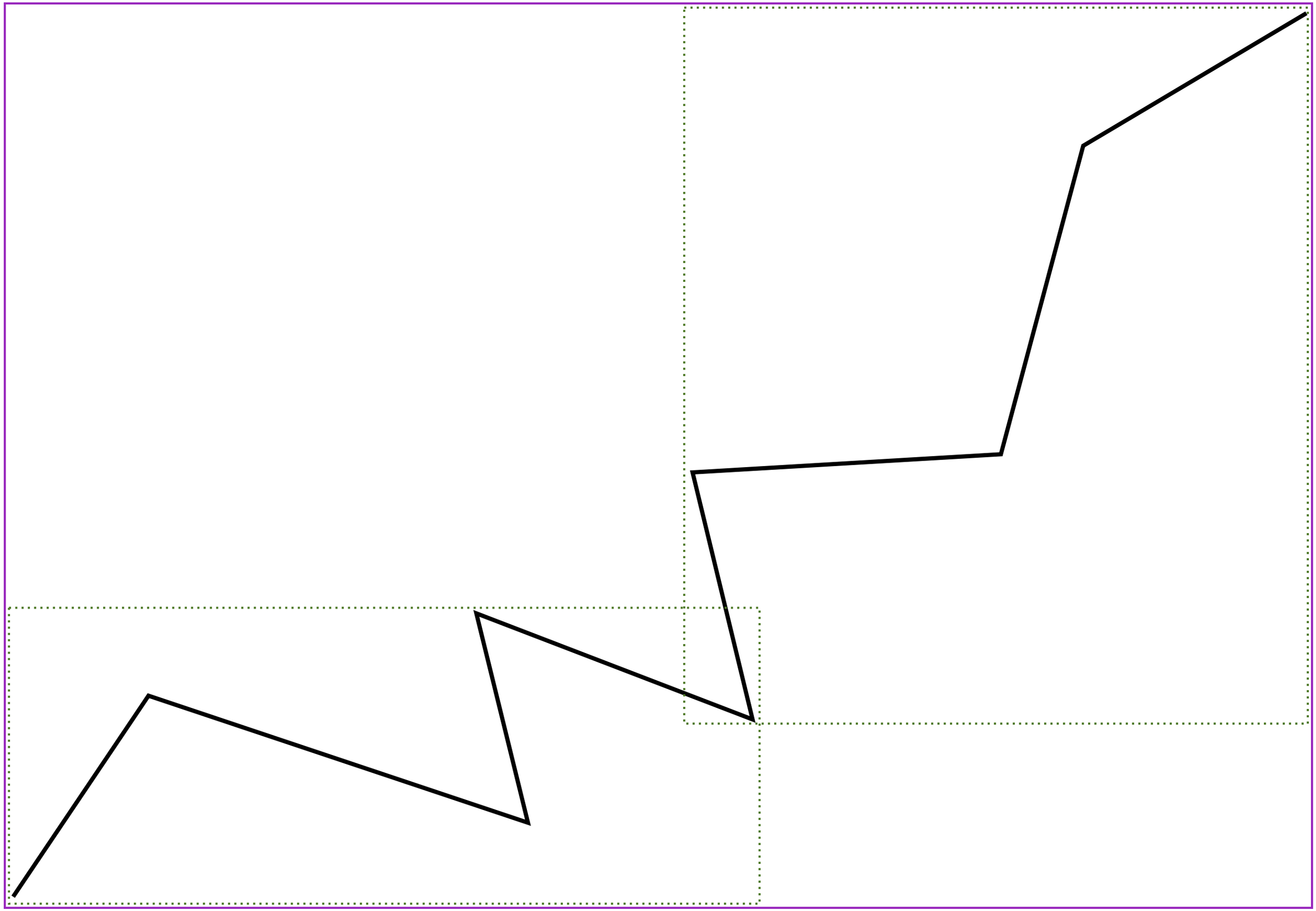

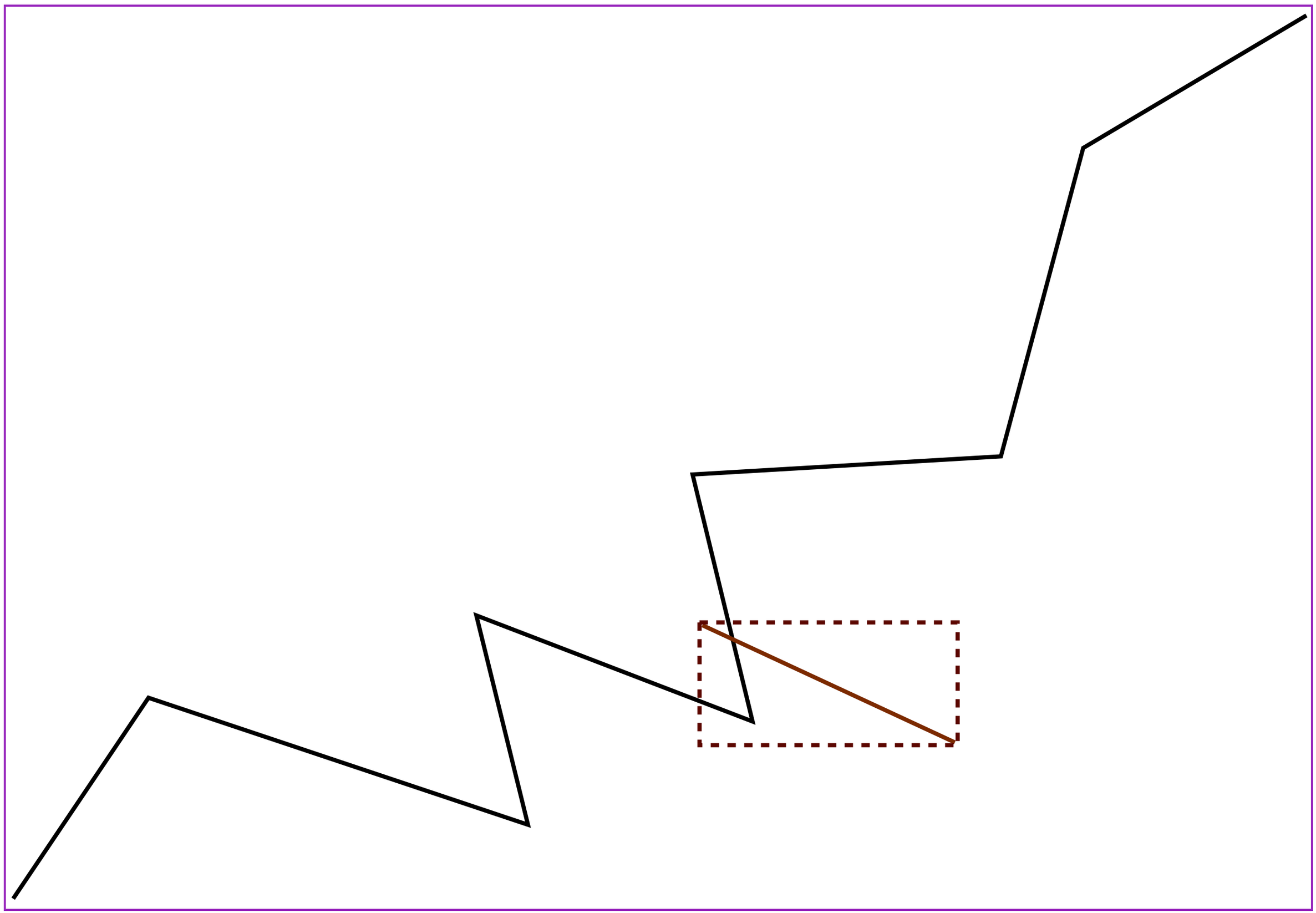

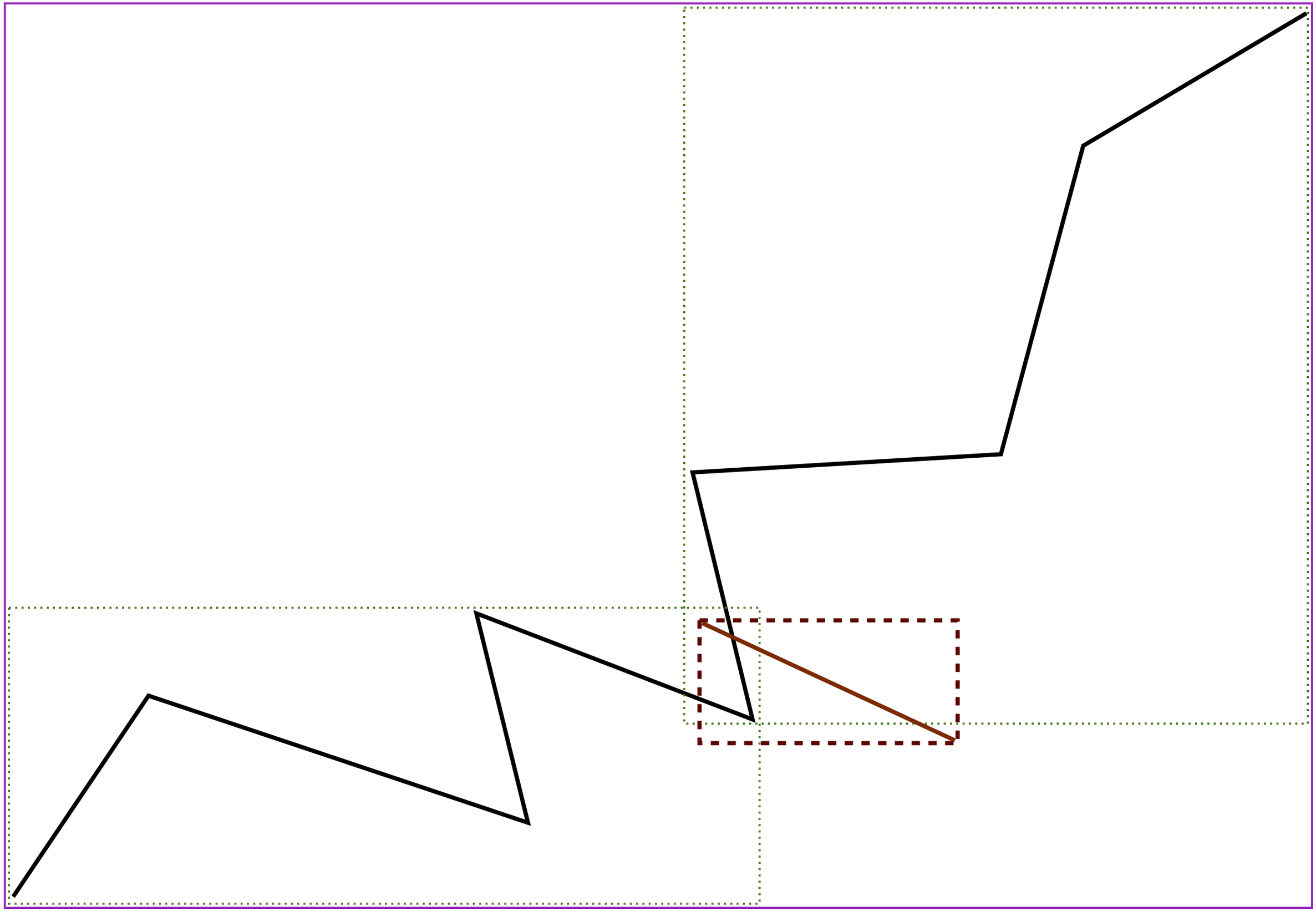

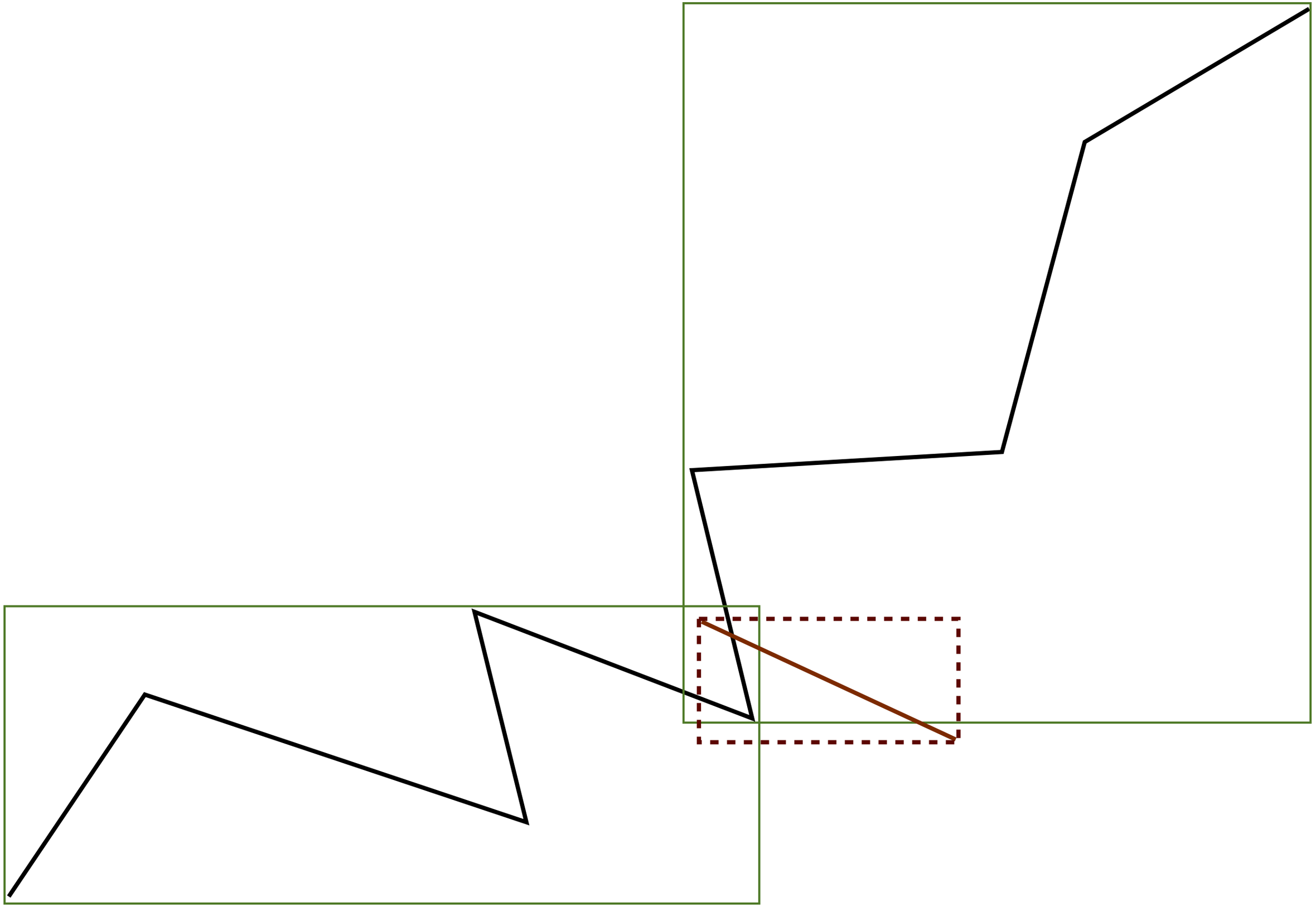

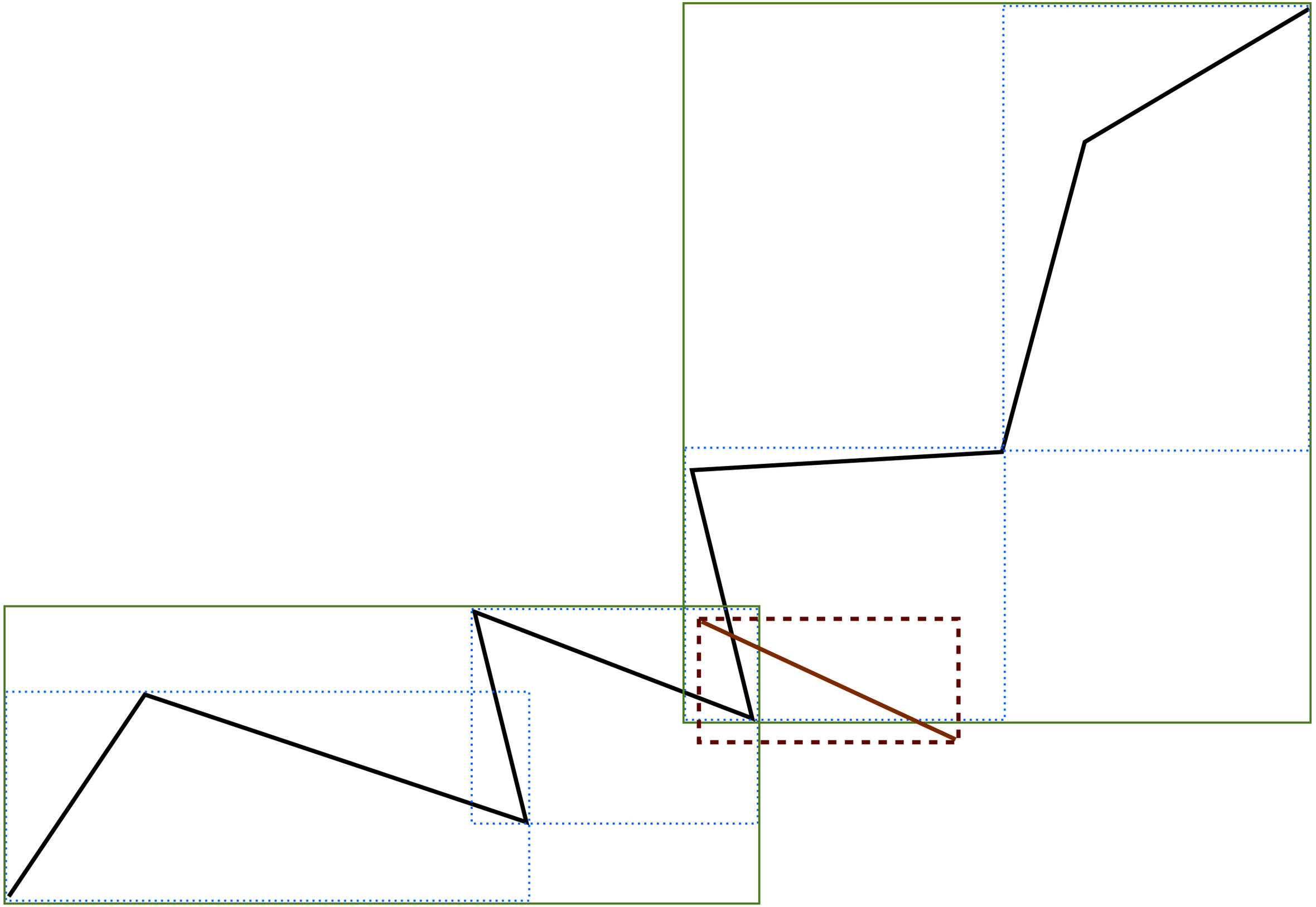

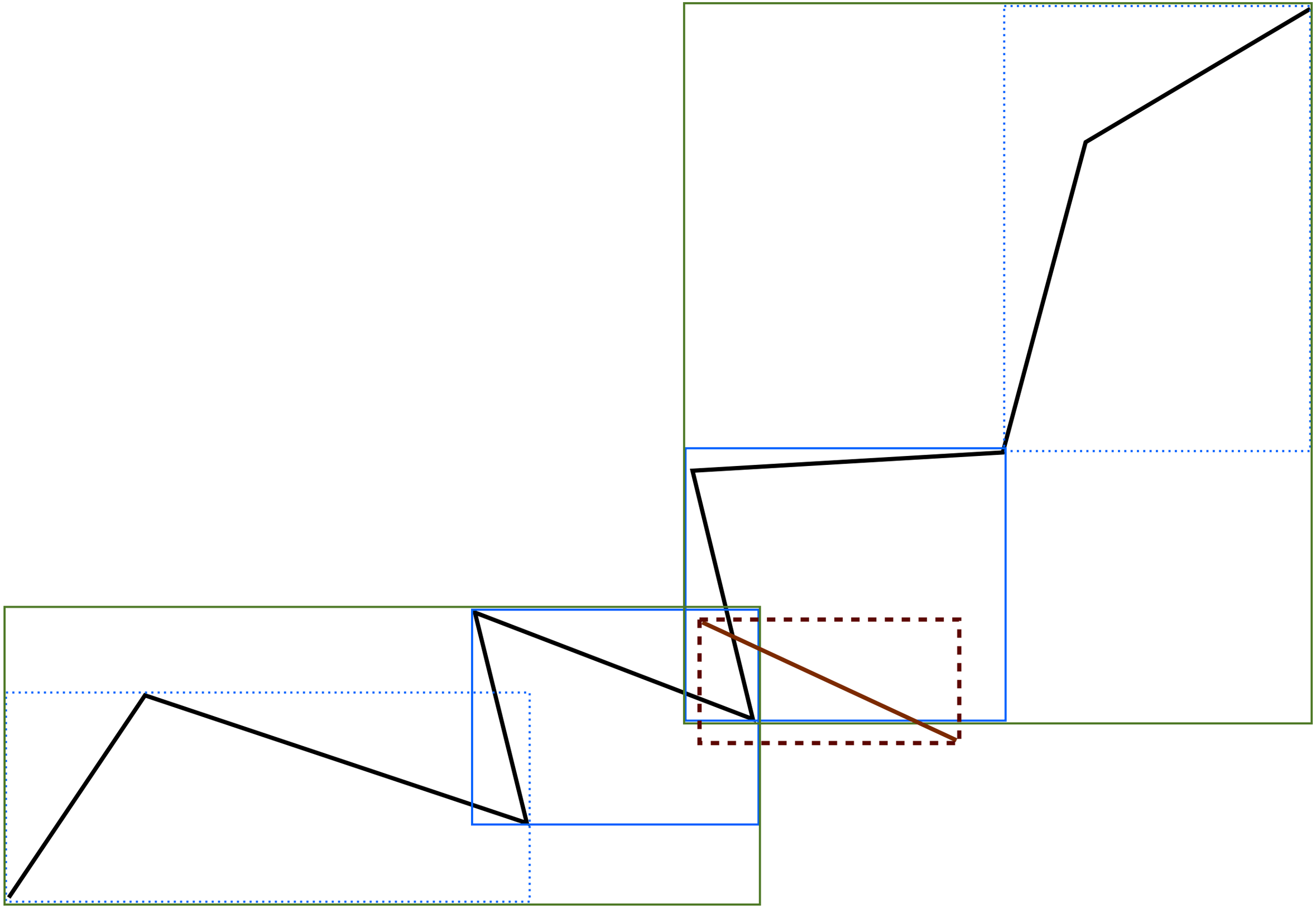

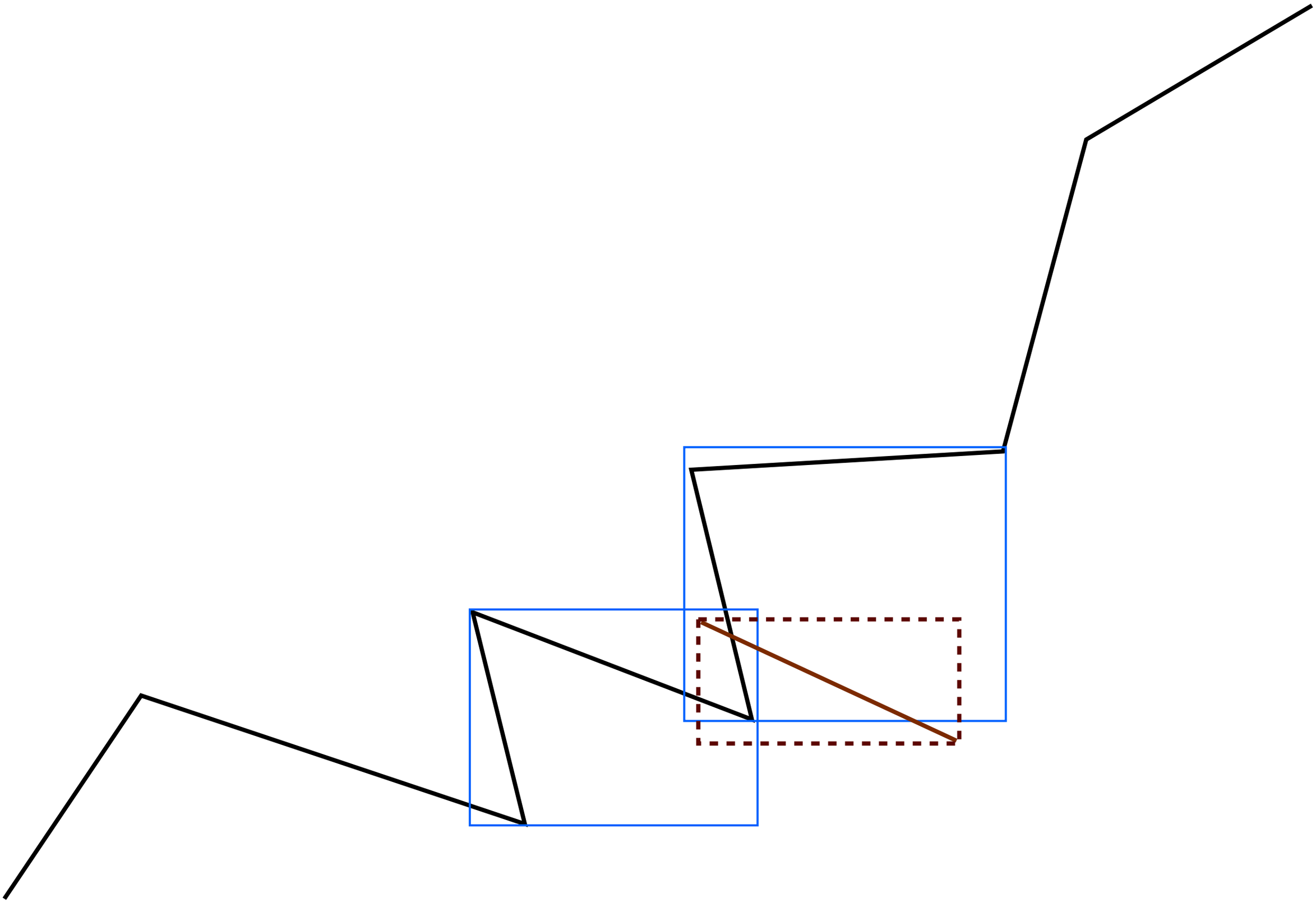

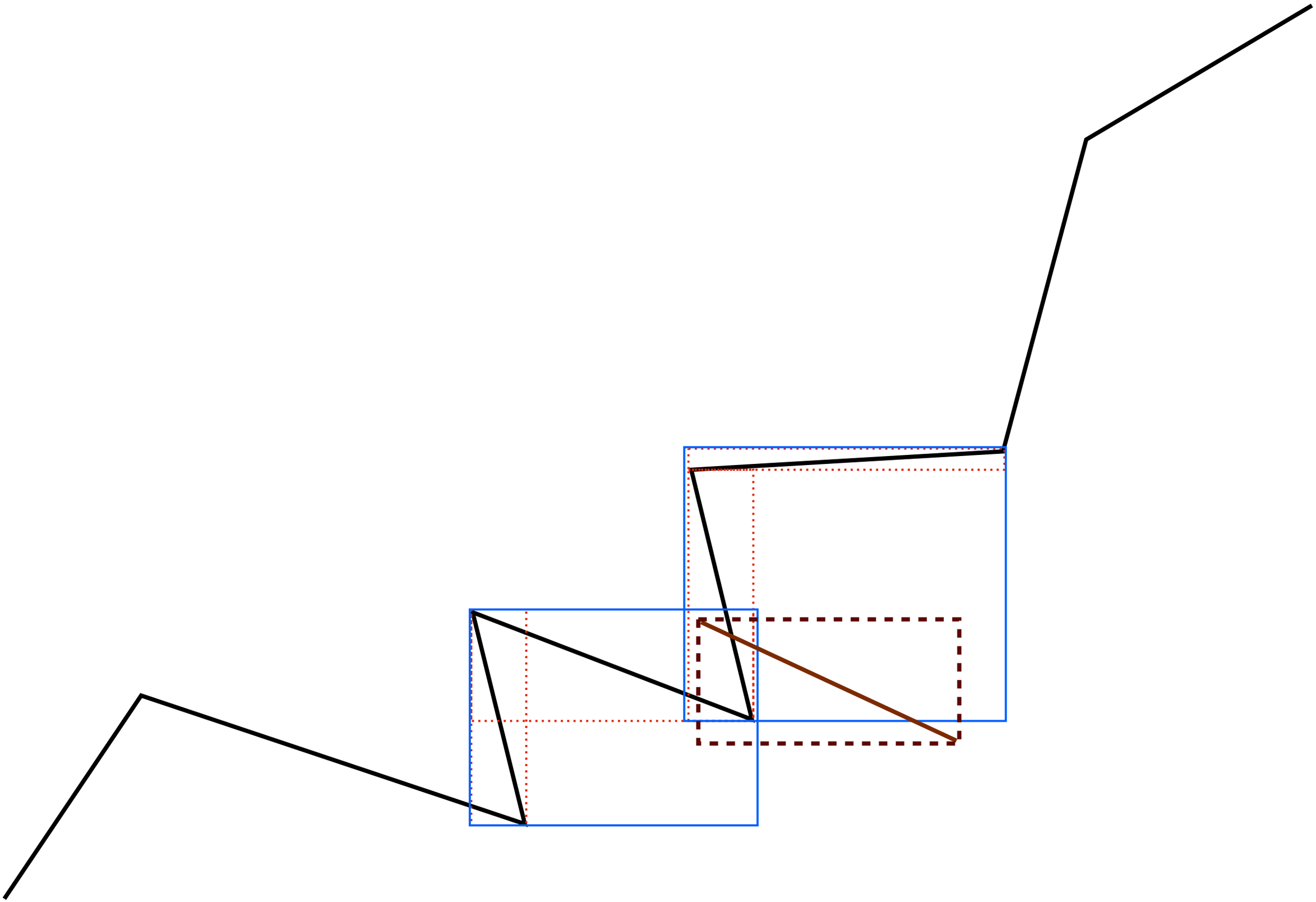

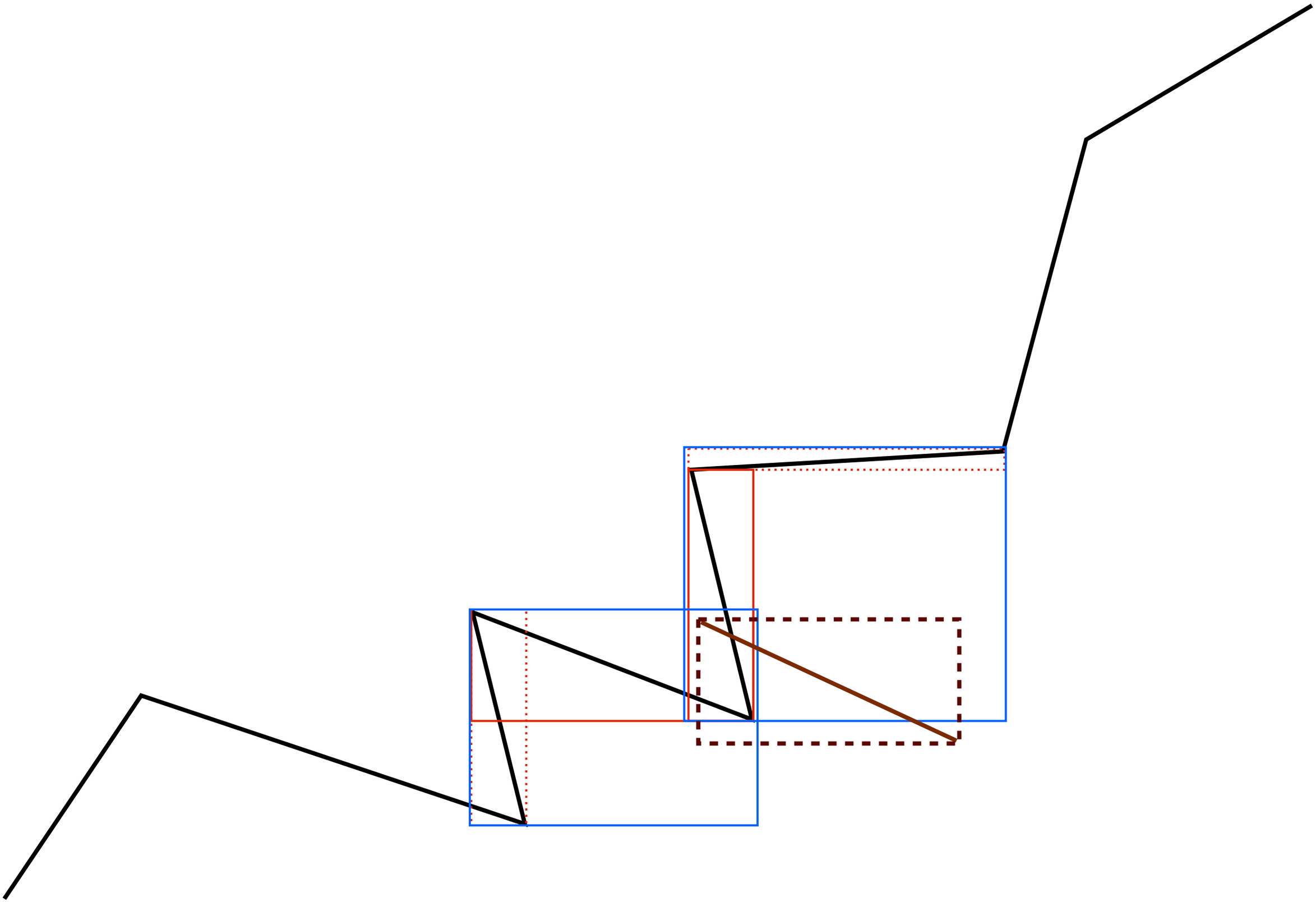

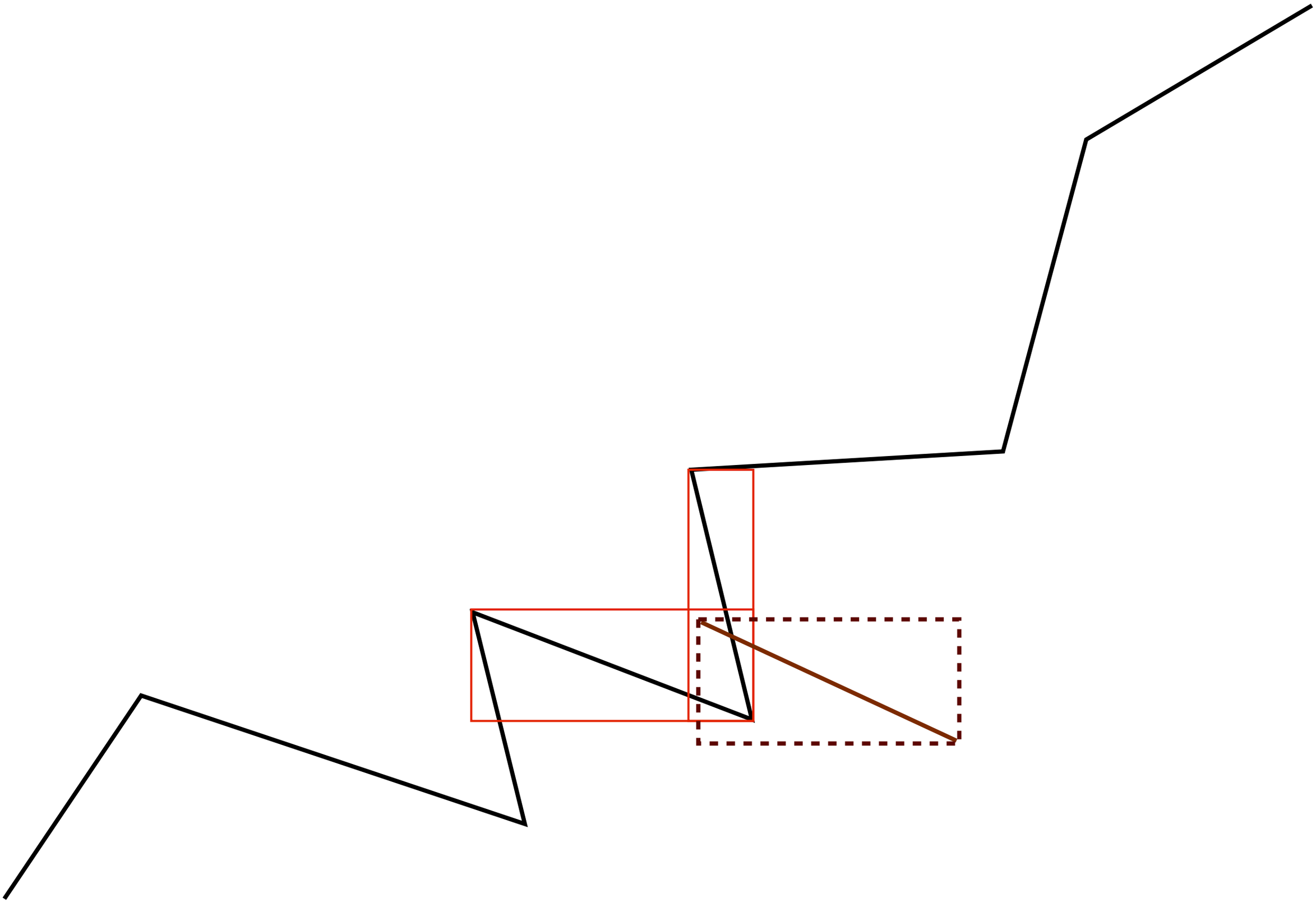

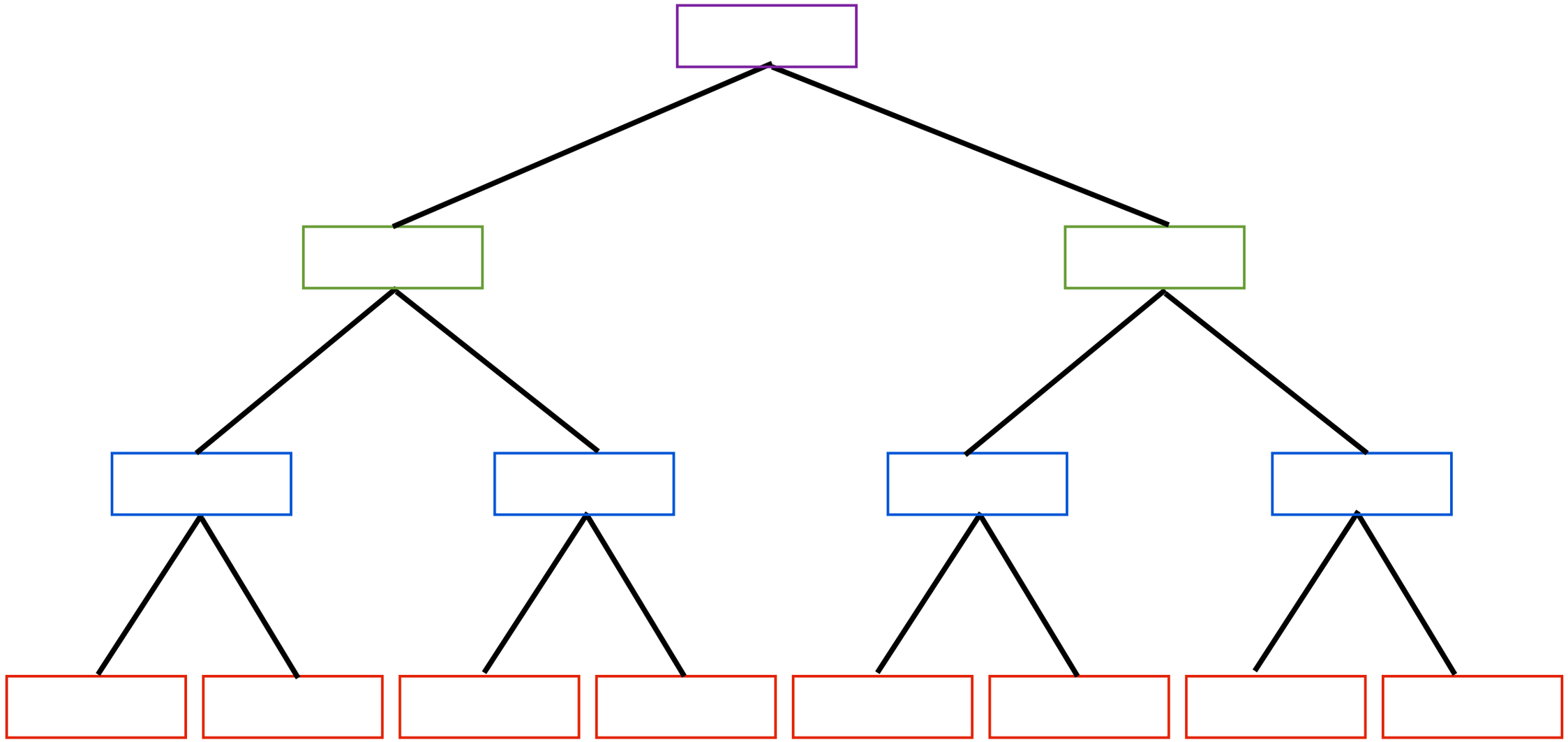

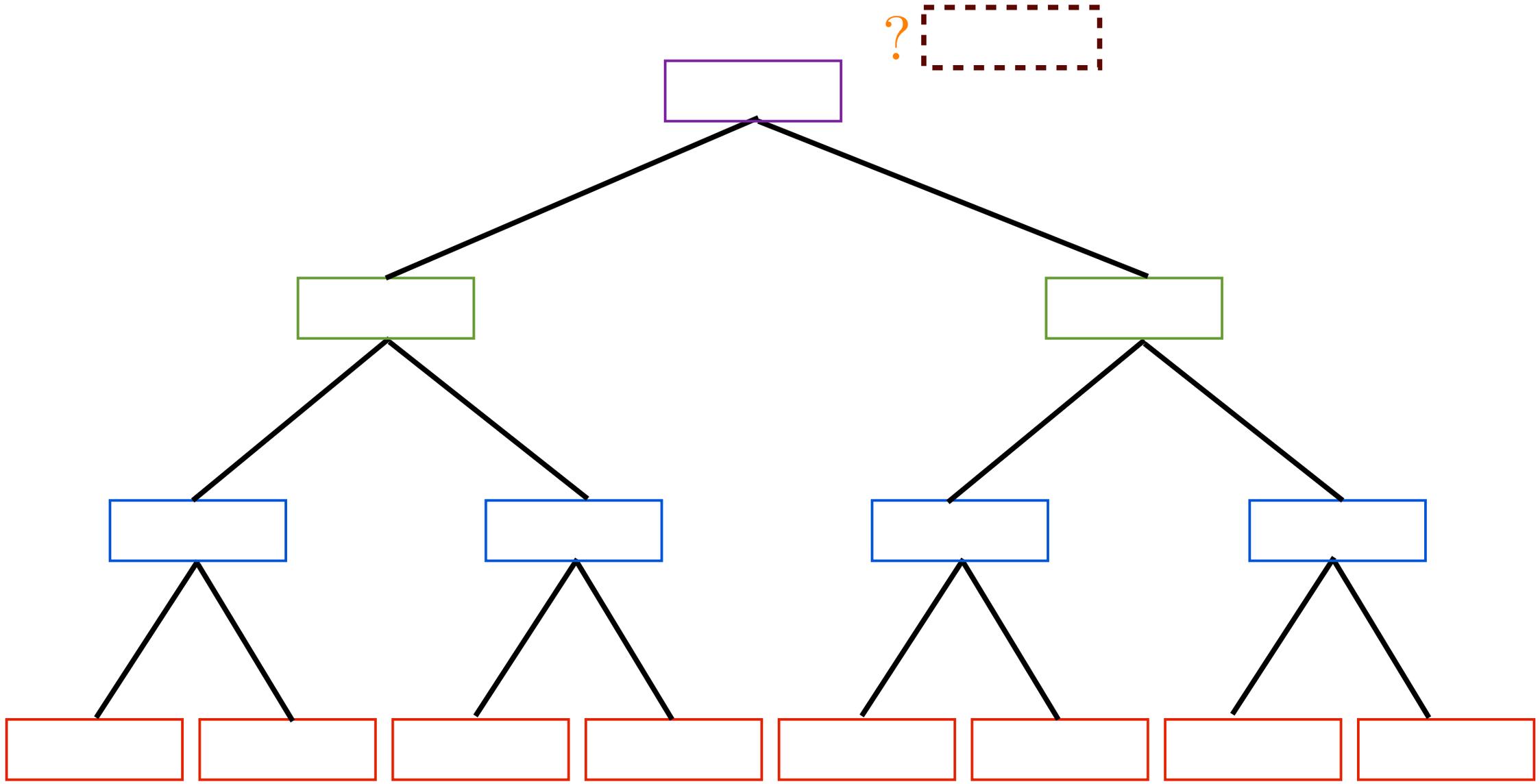

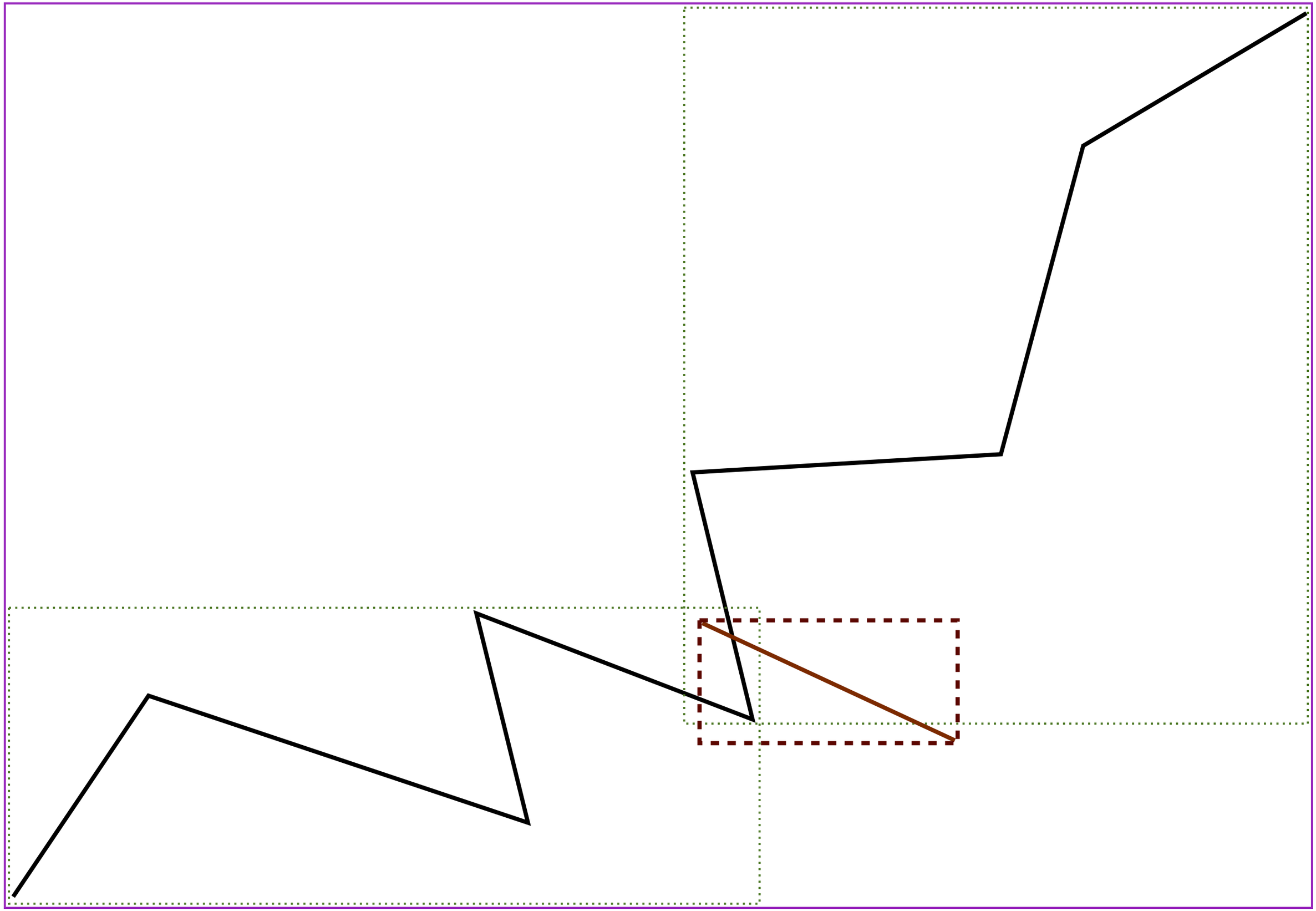

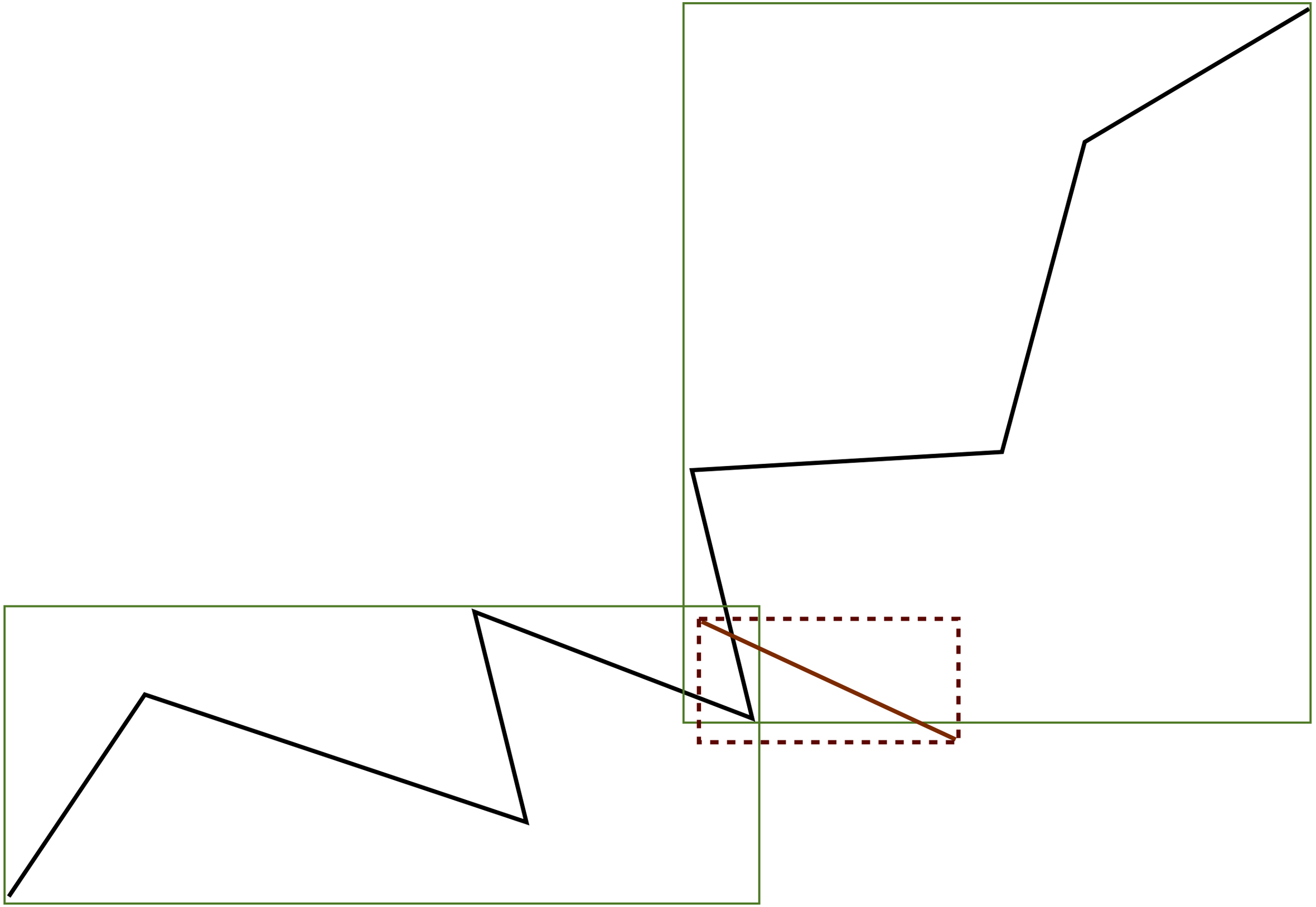

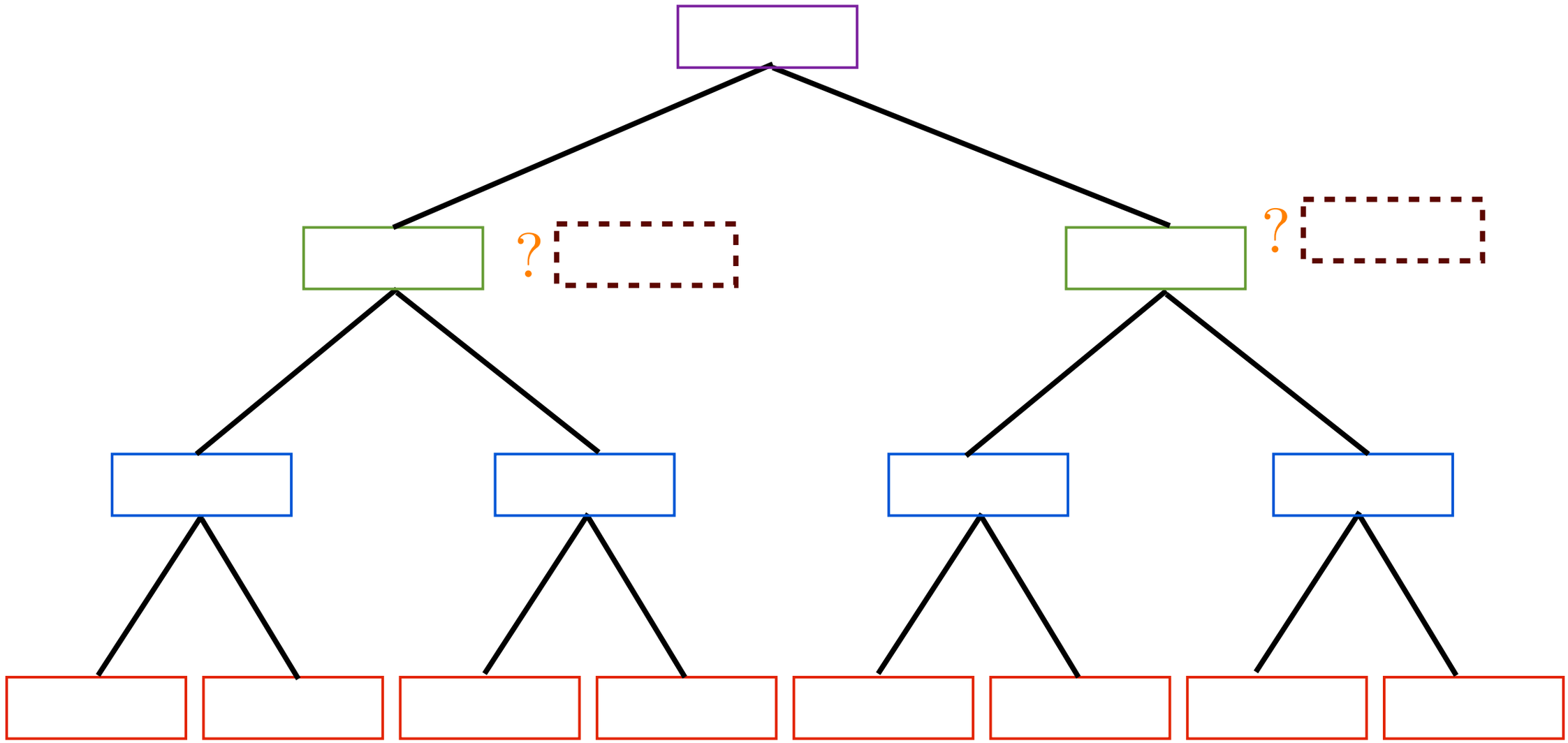

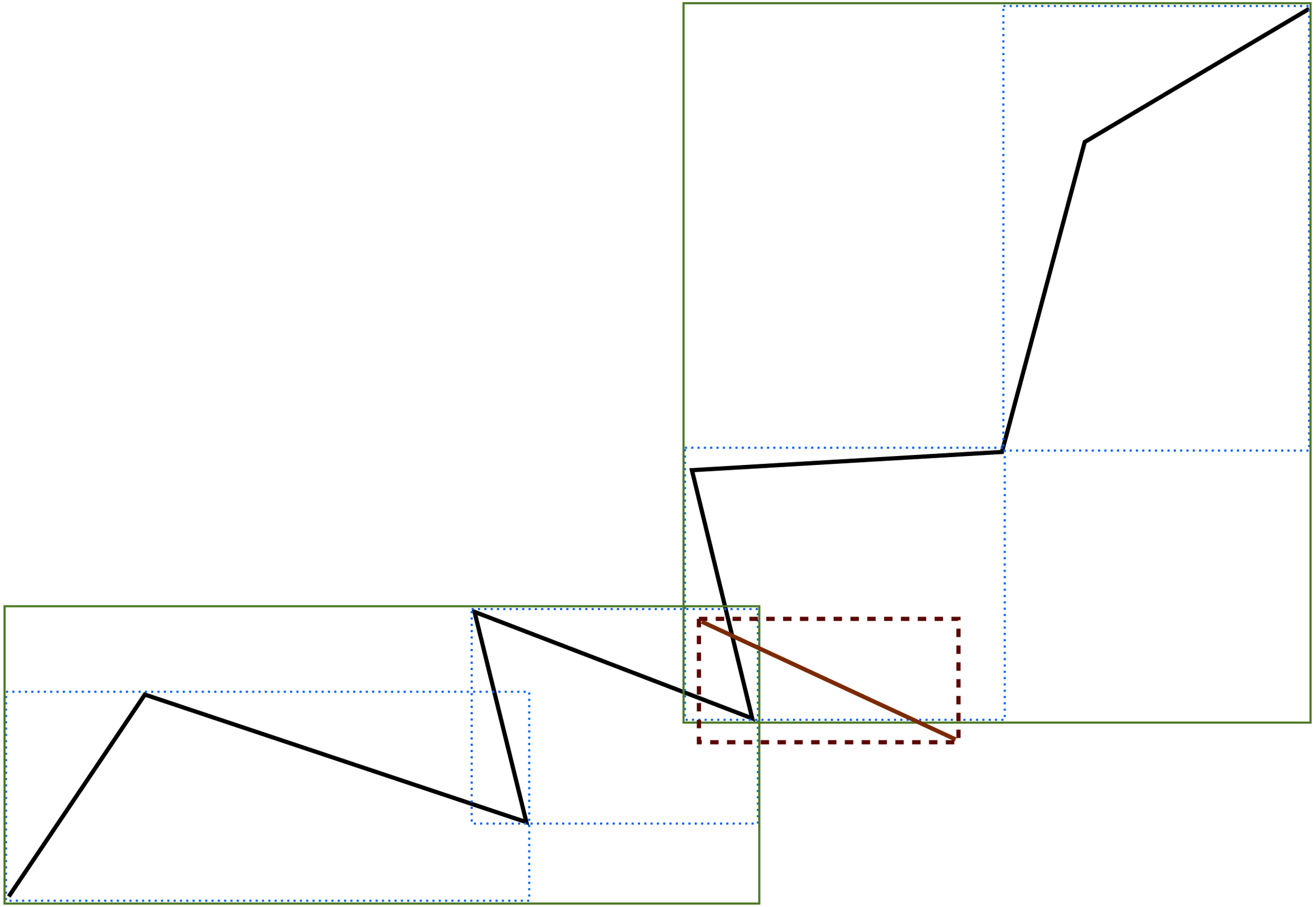

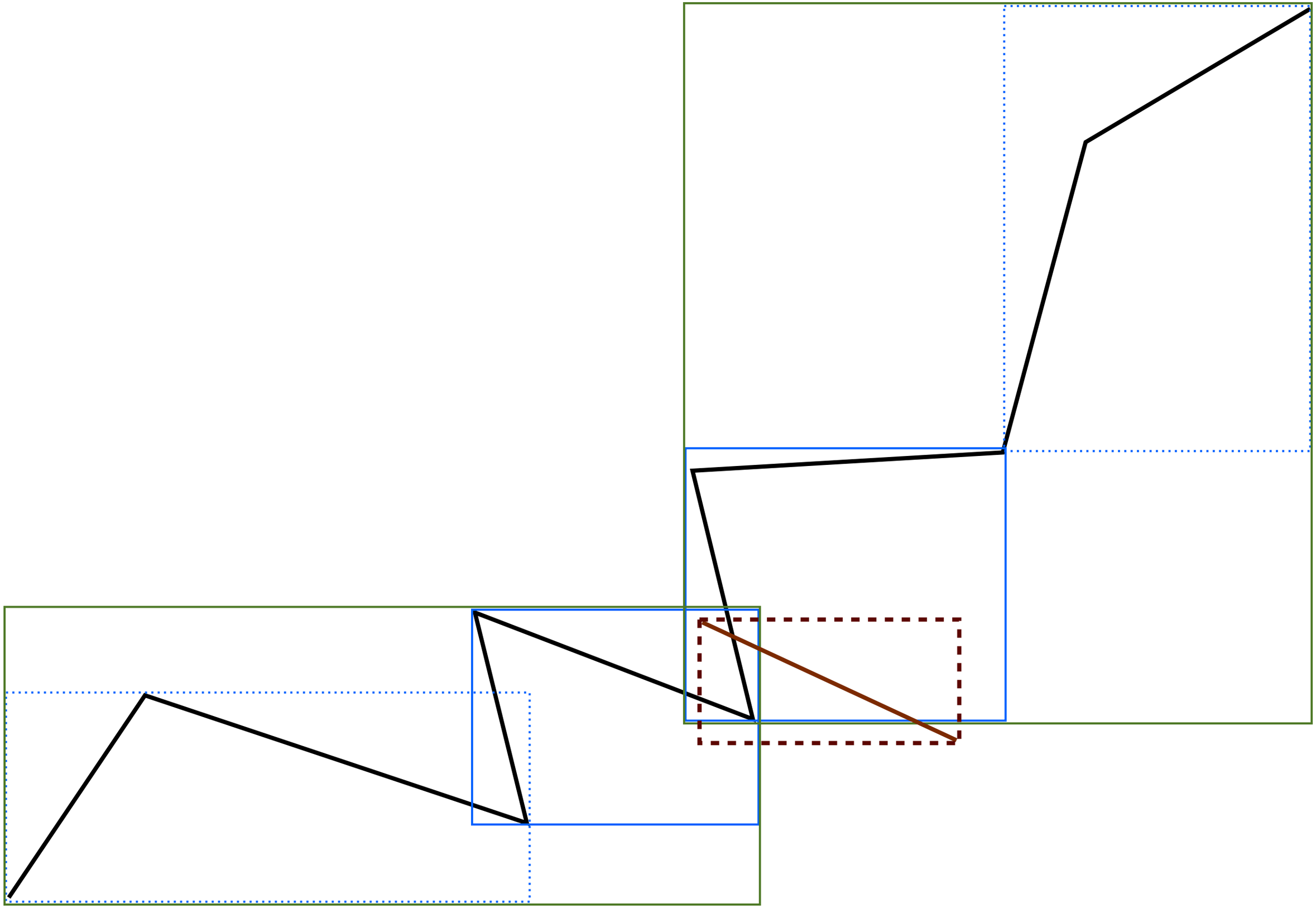

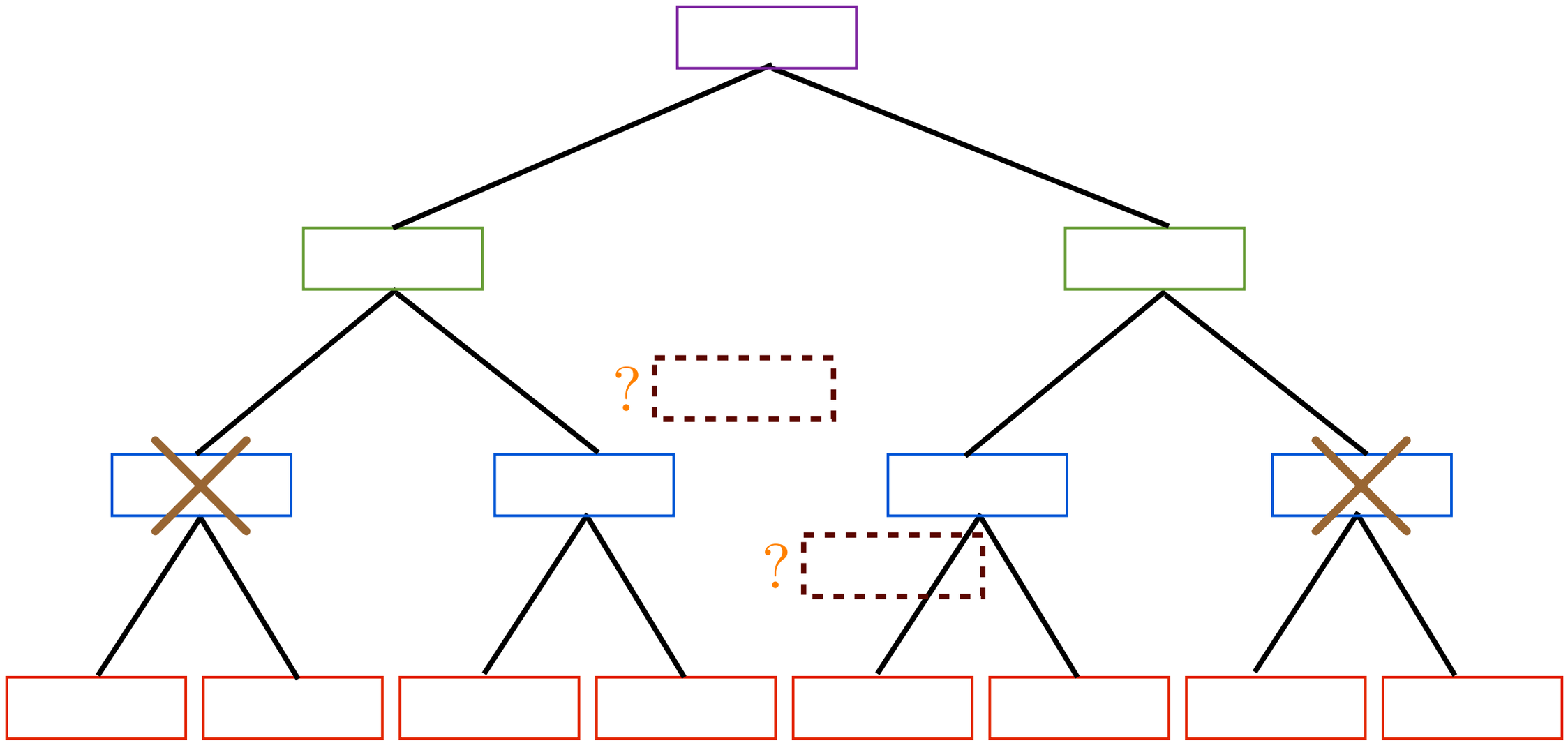

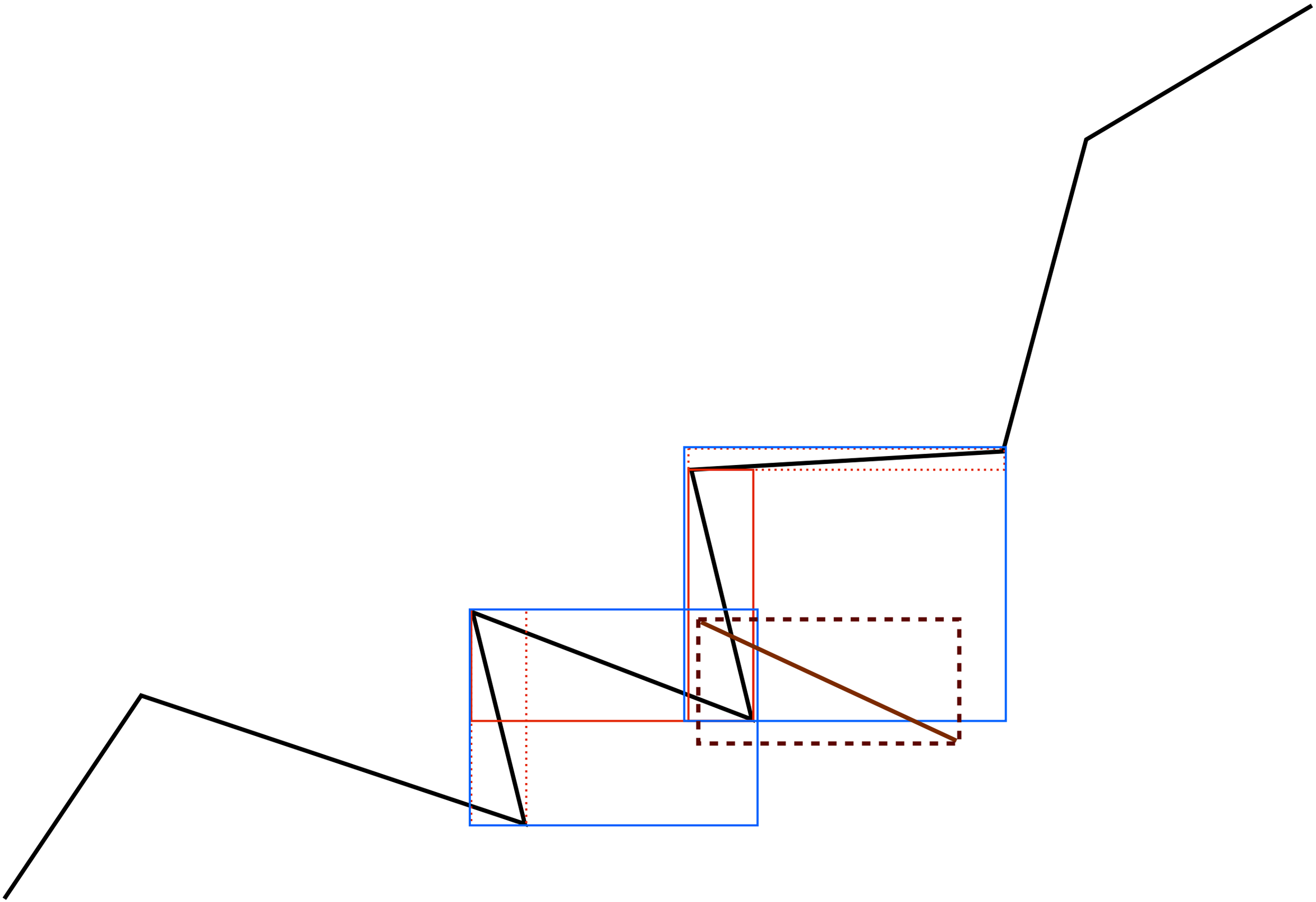

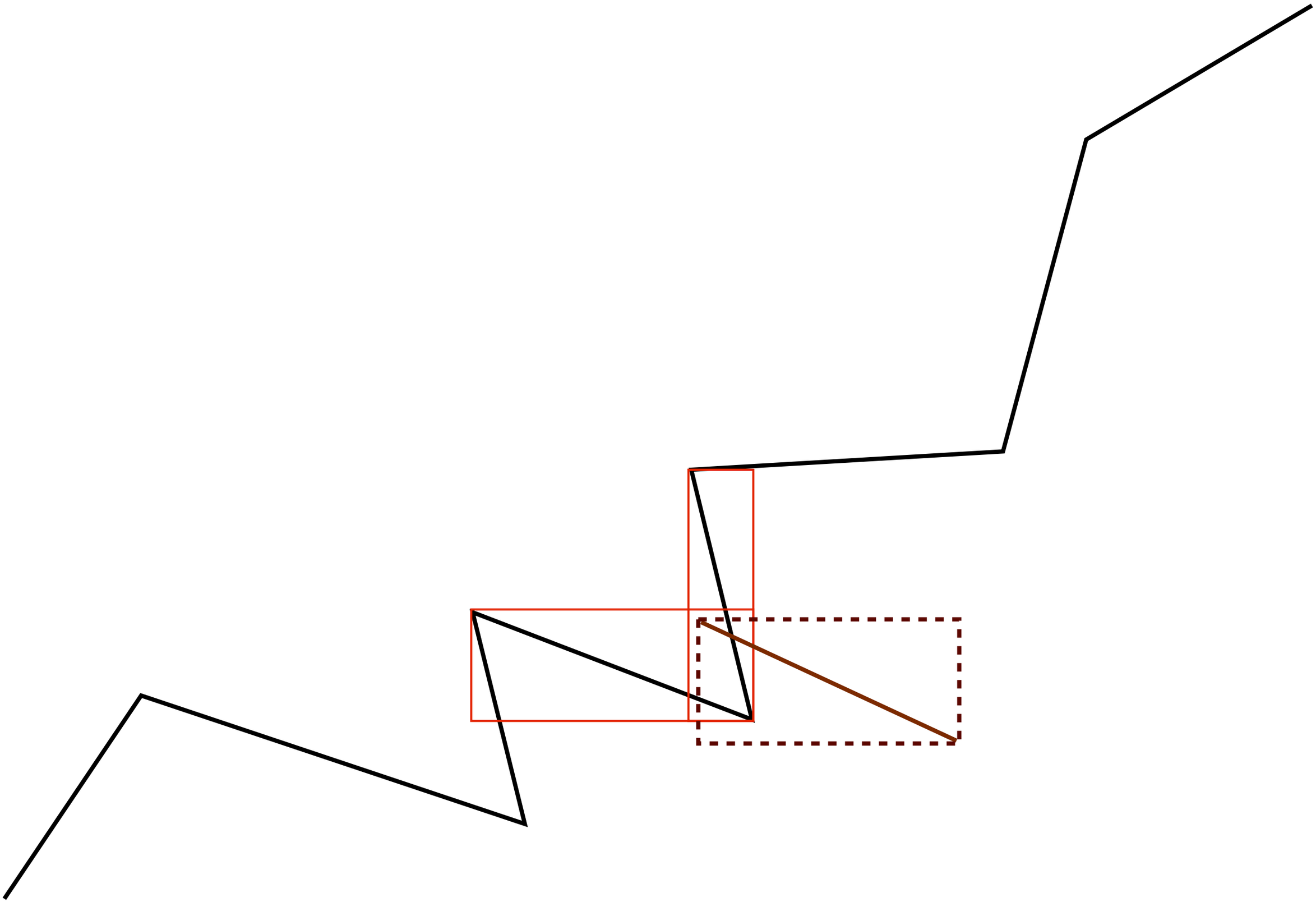

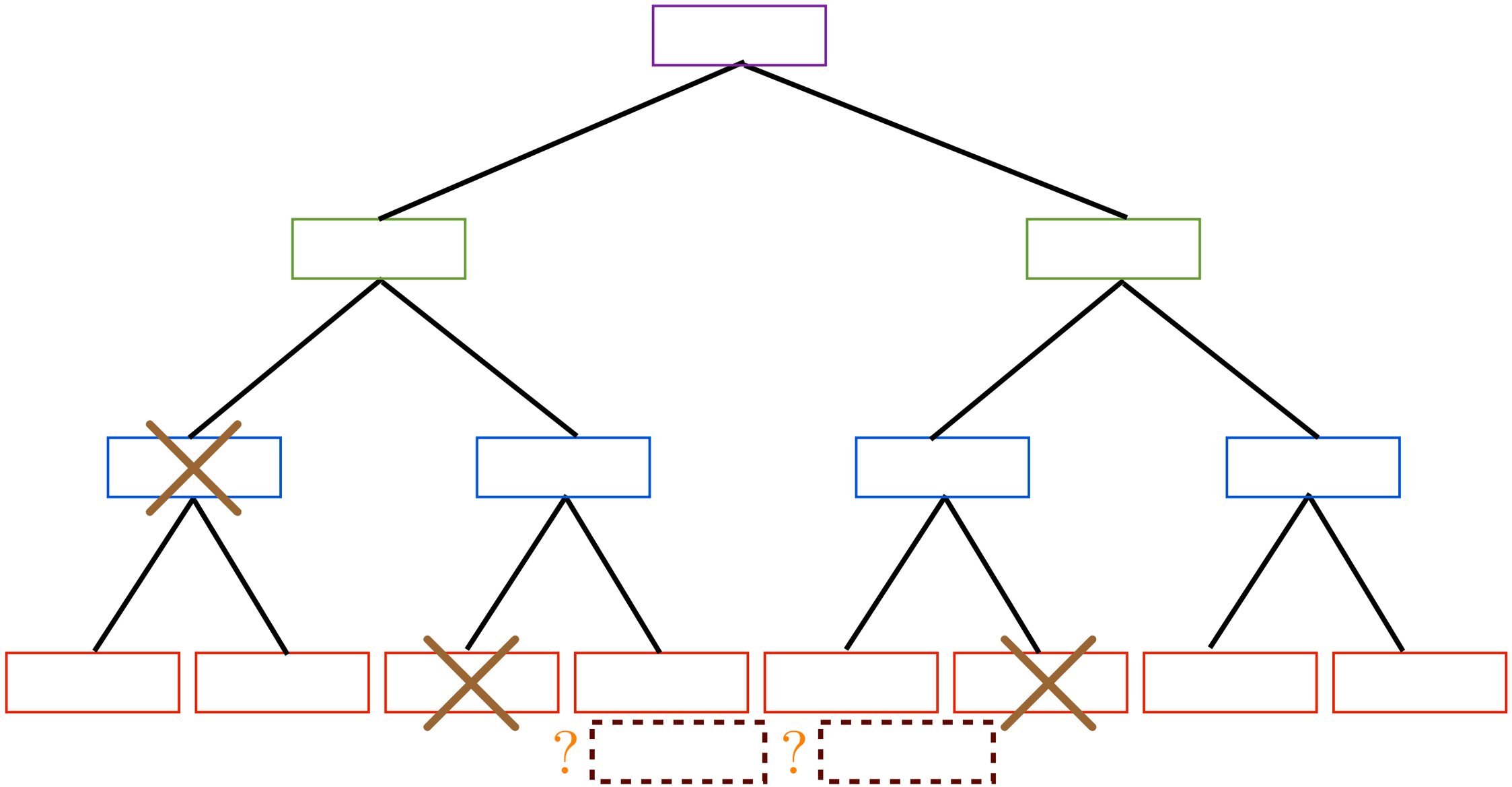

Collision detection (for simulated objects)

- Popular approach : Using axis-aligned bounding box (AABB) queries to accelerate collision detection
  - Prunes away most of the *"faraway"* collisions
  - Cost to check one primitive, against a box B-tree hierarchy with k leaves : O(logk) in the best case
  - Cost will increase if the box hierarchy is not optimally constructed (i.e. if we chose to merge faraway boxes)
  - Quality of hierarchy will degrade as object moves : May choose to re-build the hierarchy from scratch every few time steps
  - KD-Tree or Quad-/Oct-trees can be used to generate box hierarchies