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It is shown that for every set of $k$ disjoint convex polygonal obstacles in the plane with a total of $n$ vertices, there is a partition of the free space around the obstacles into $n-k+1$ convex cells whose dual graph is 2 -edge connected. Every convex cell corresponds to a node in the dual graph, and every vertex of an obstacle corresponds to an edge between two incident convex cells. Questions about the dual graph of a convex partition are motivated by the geometric disjoint compatible matching conjecture.
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