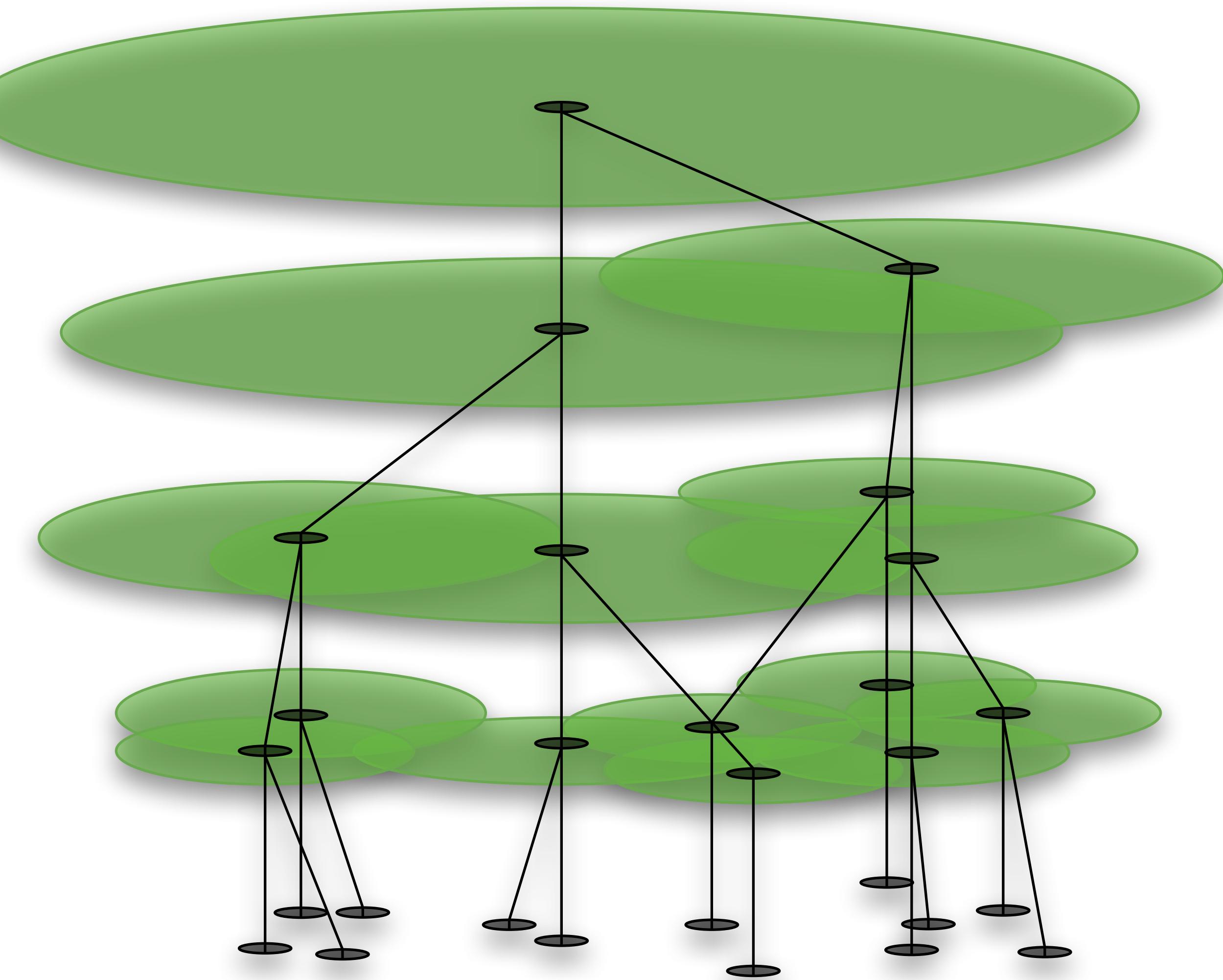


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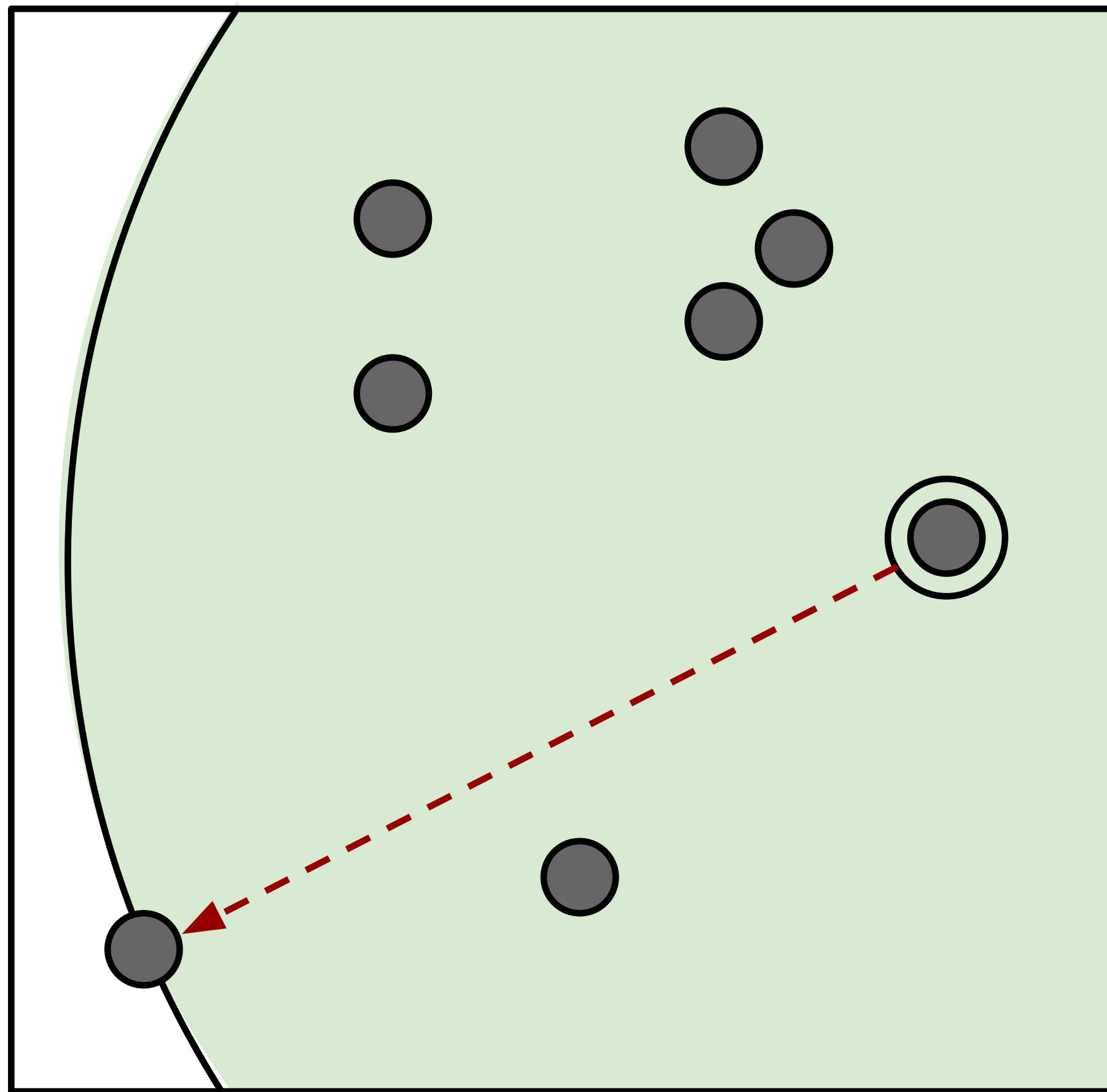
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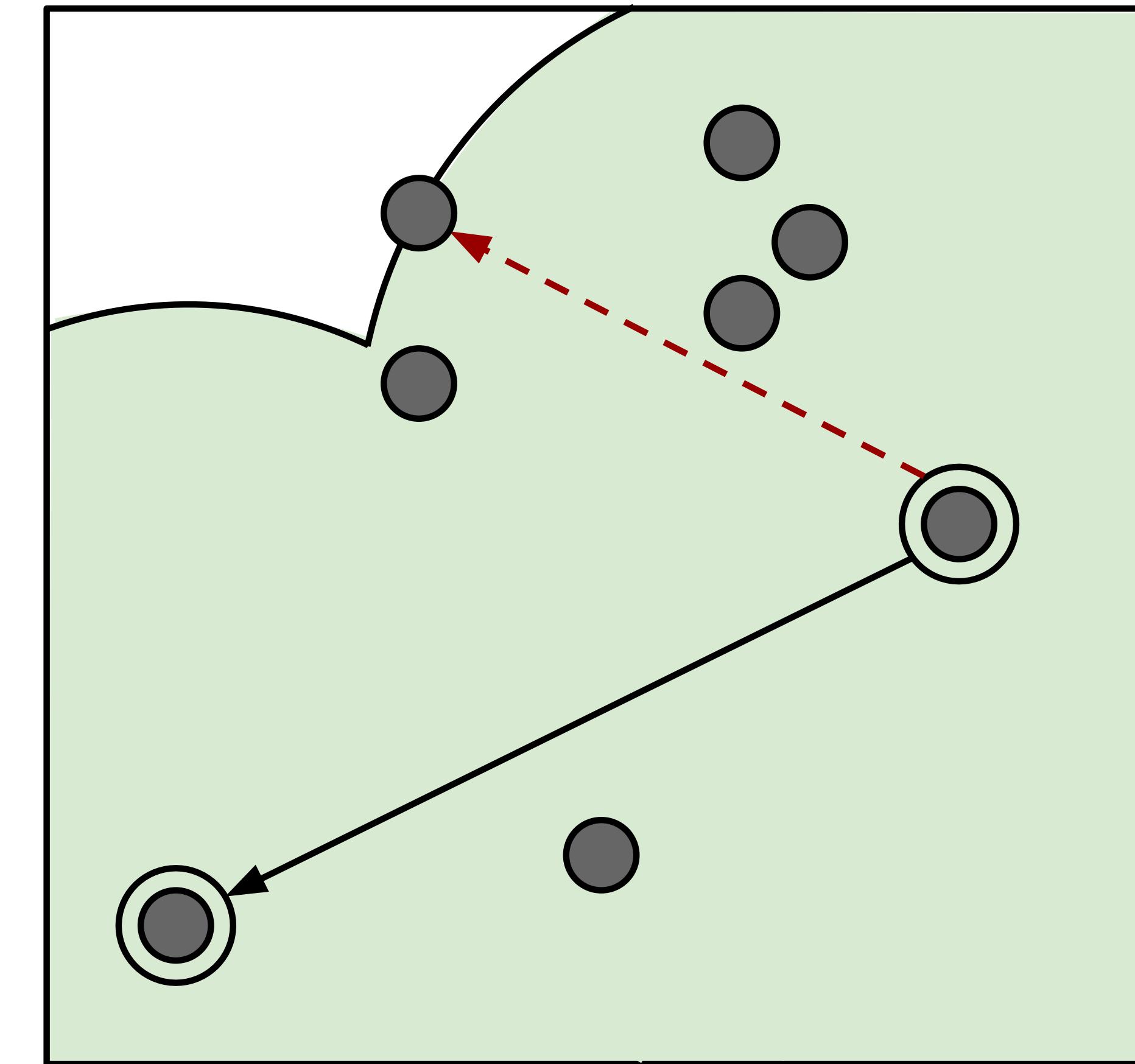
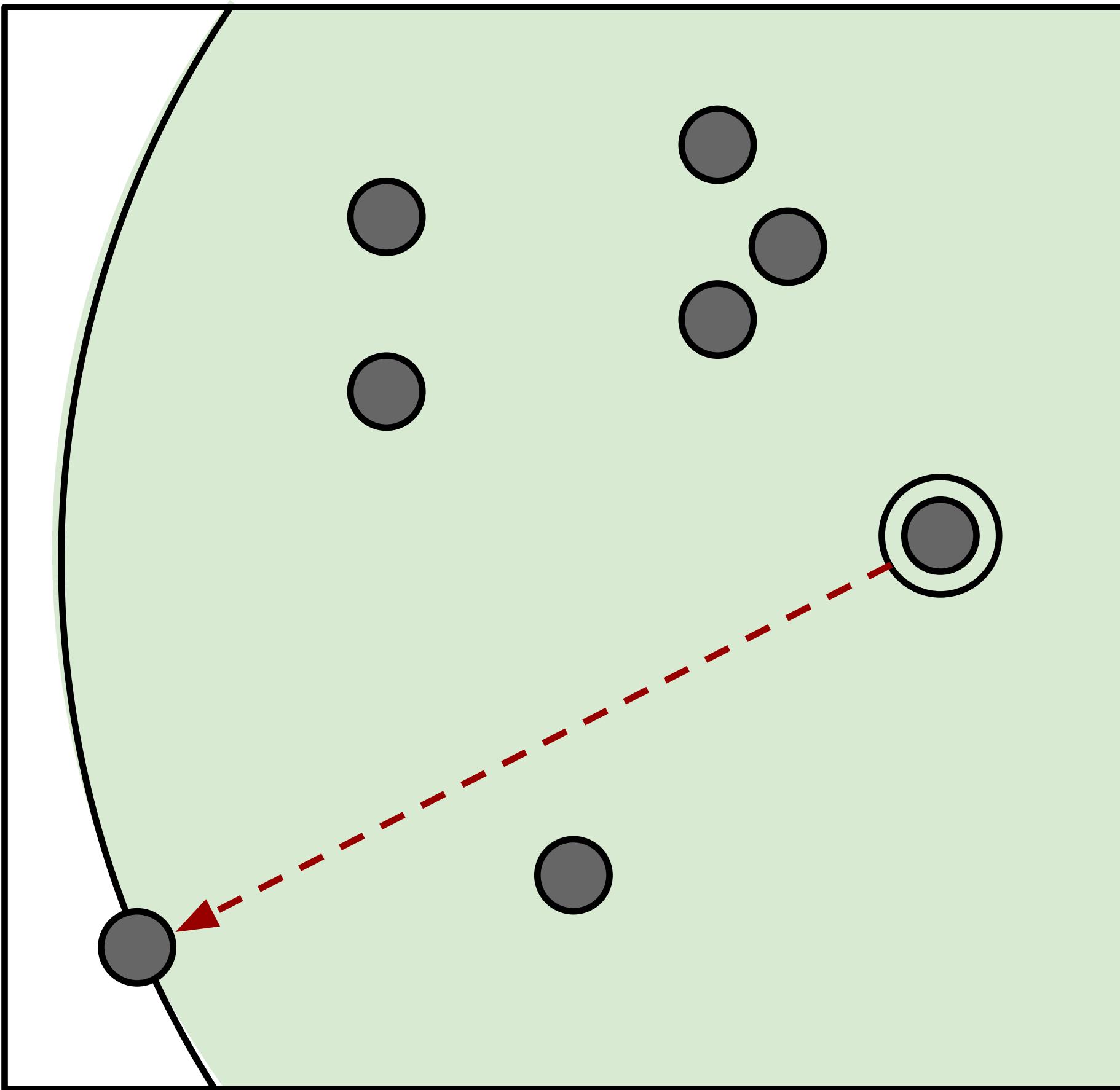
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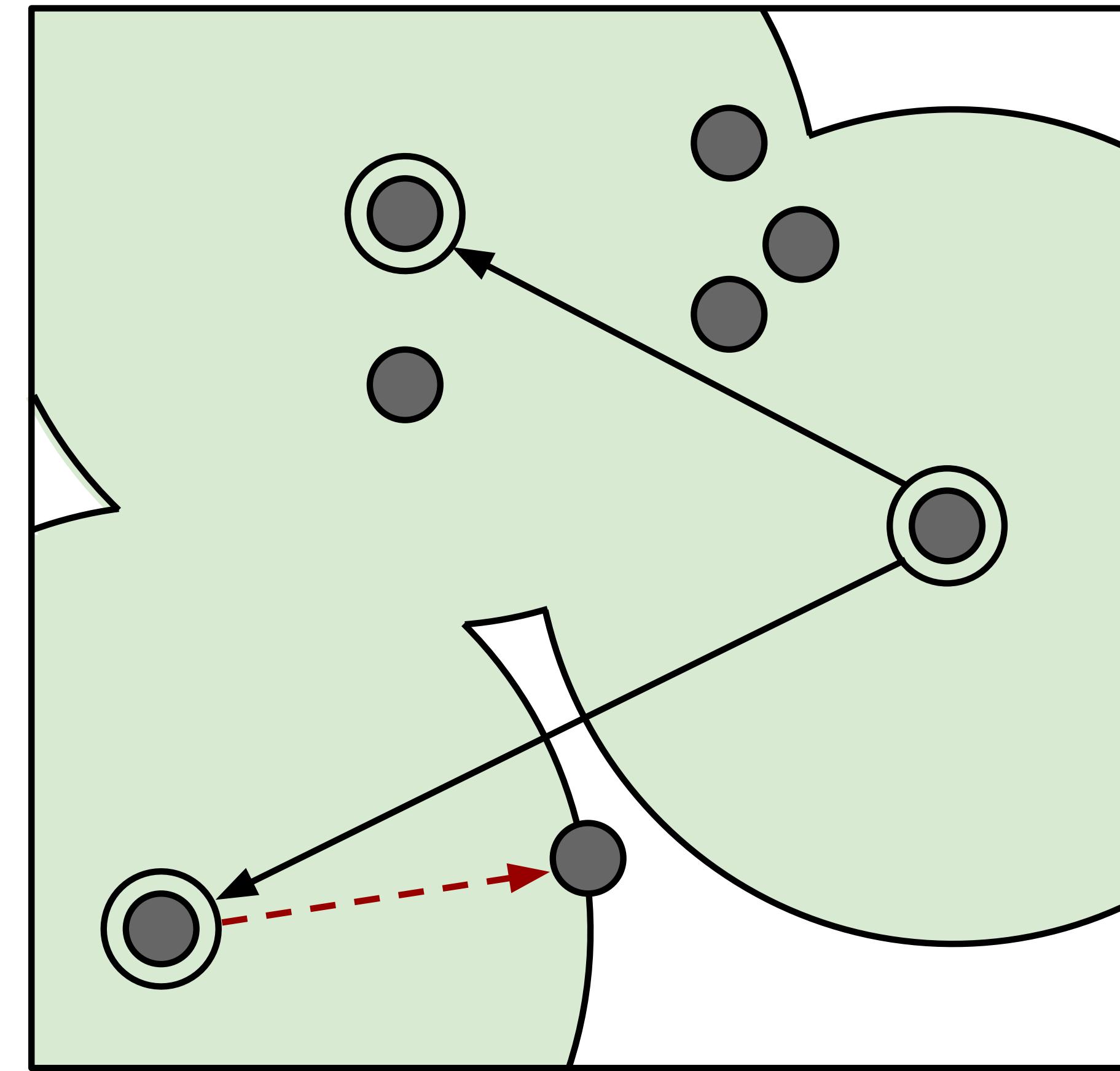
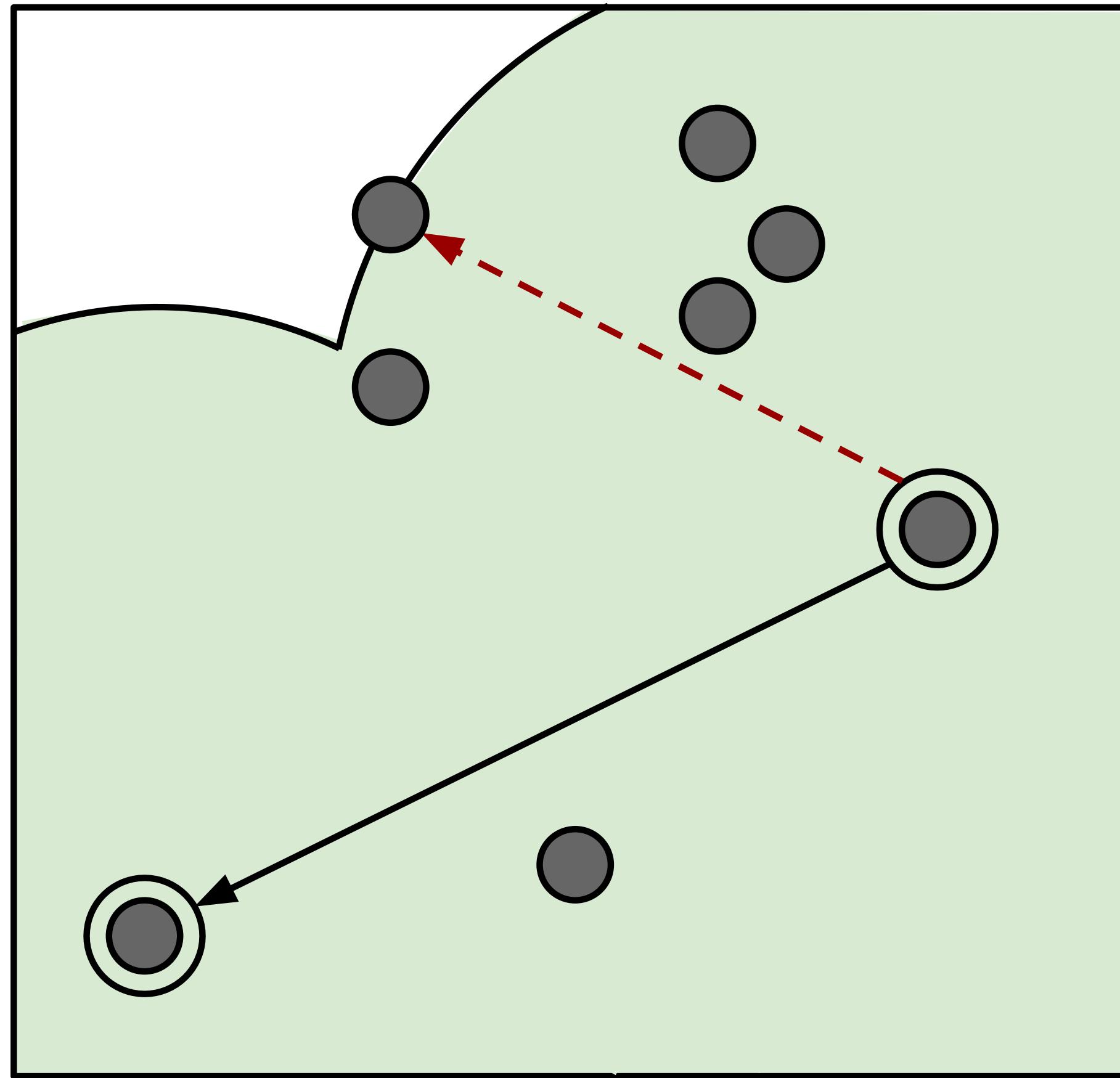
The first point in the permutation can be any point.

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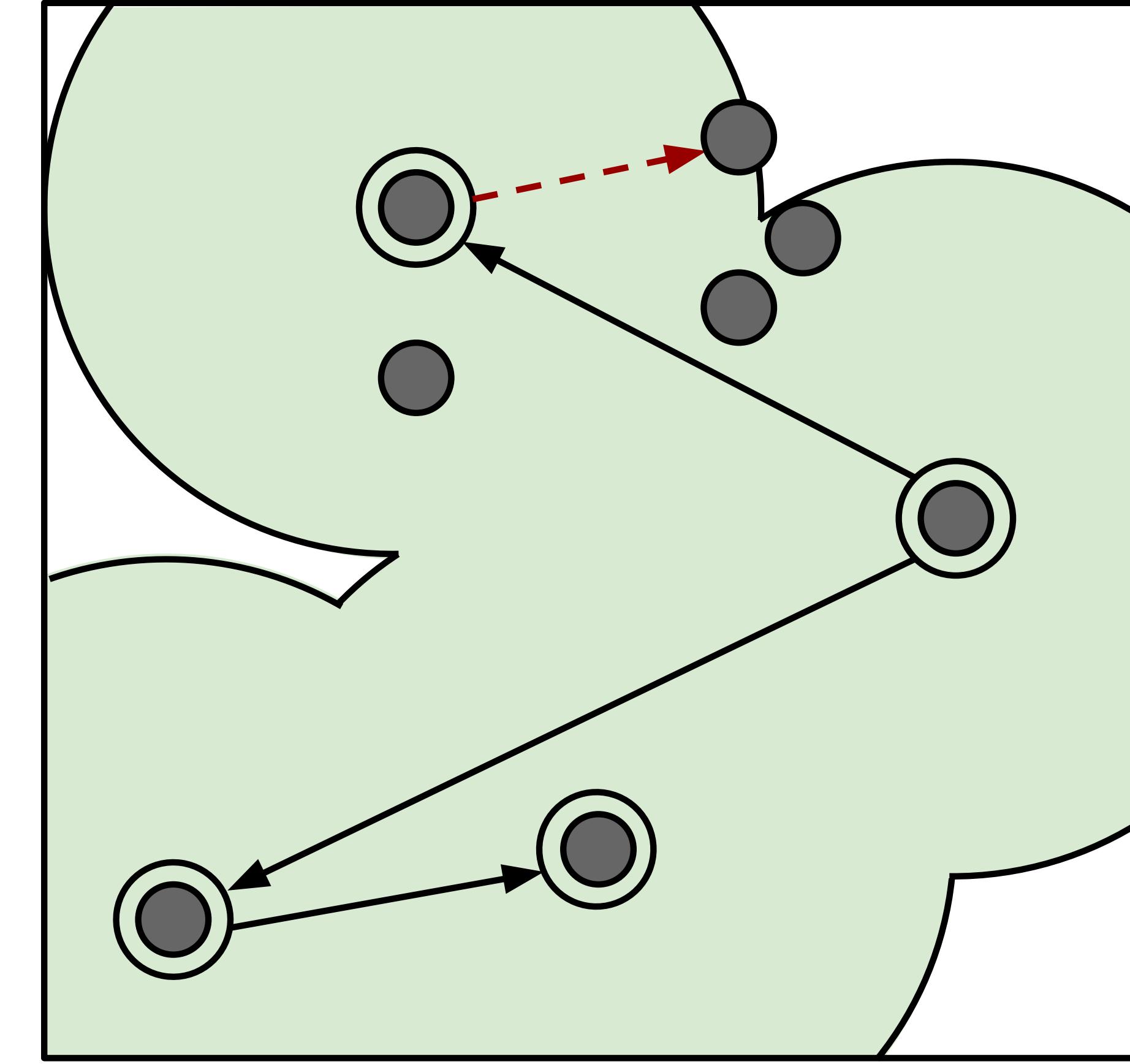
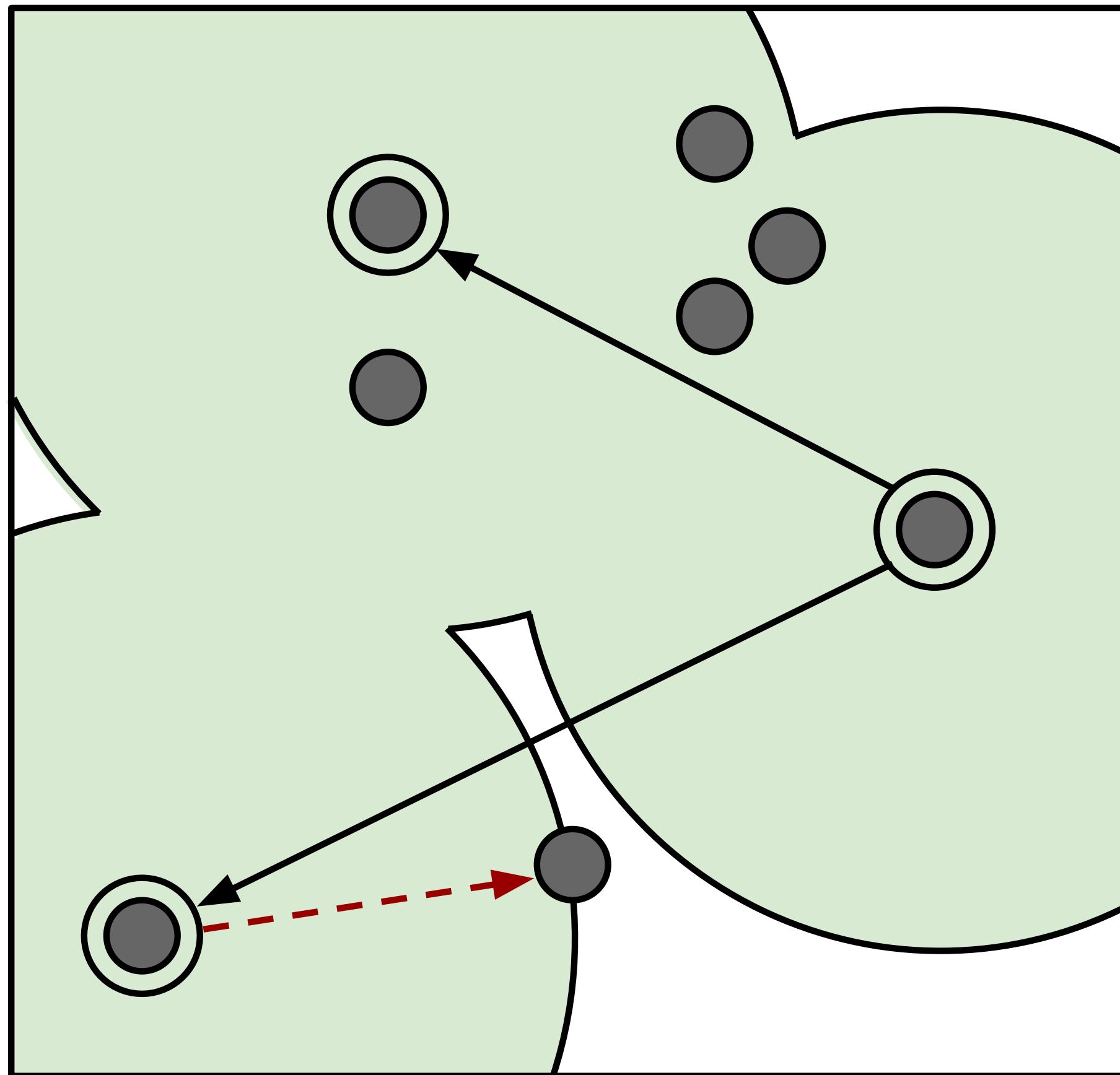
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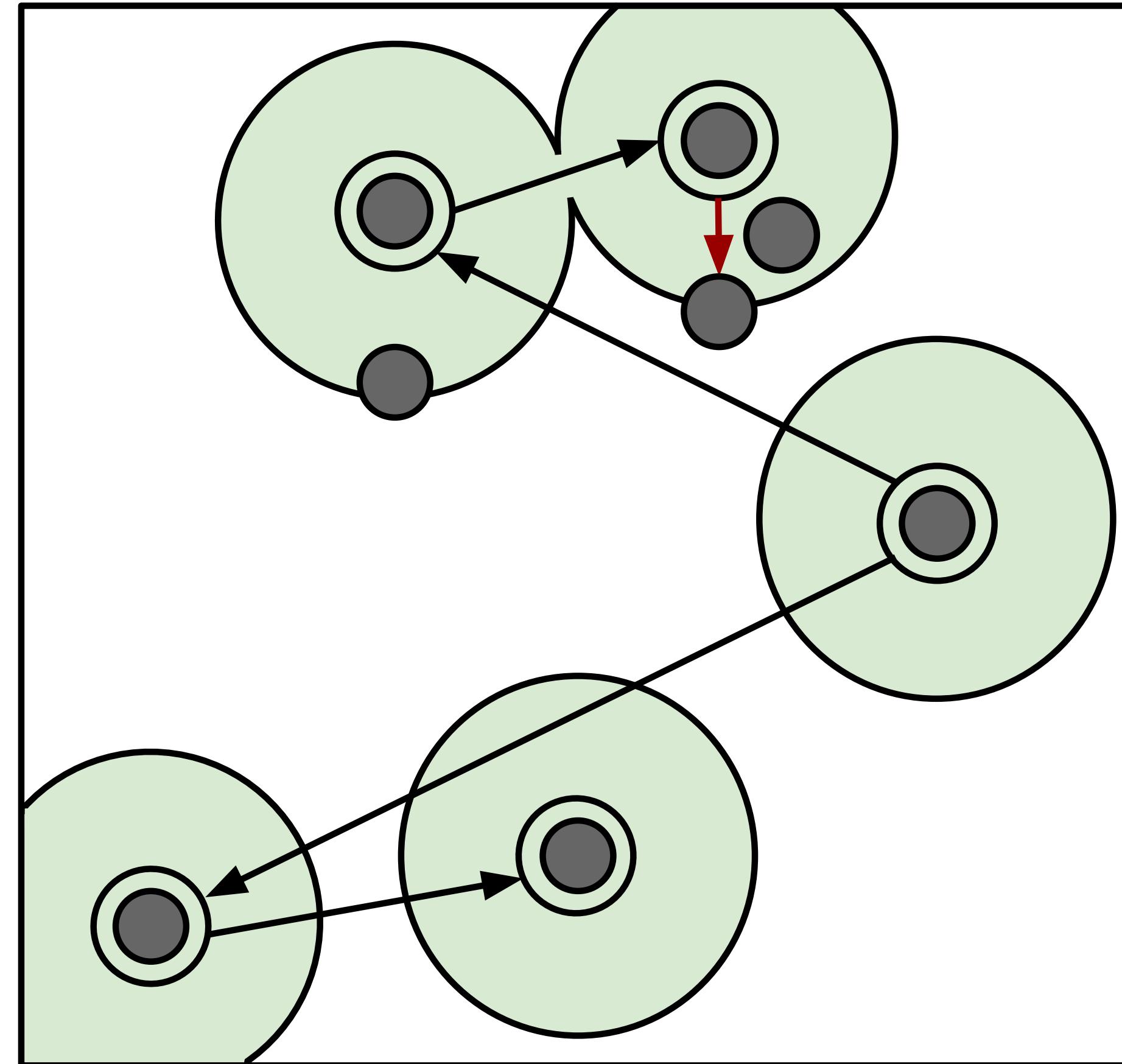
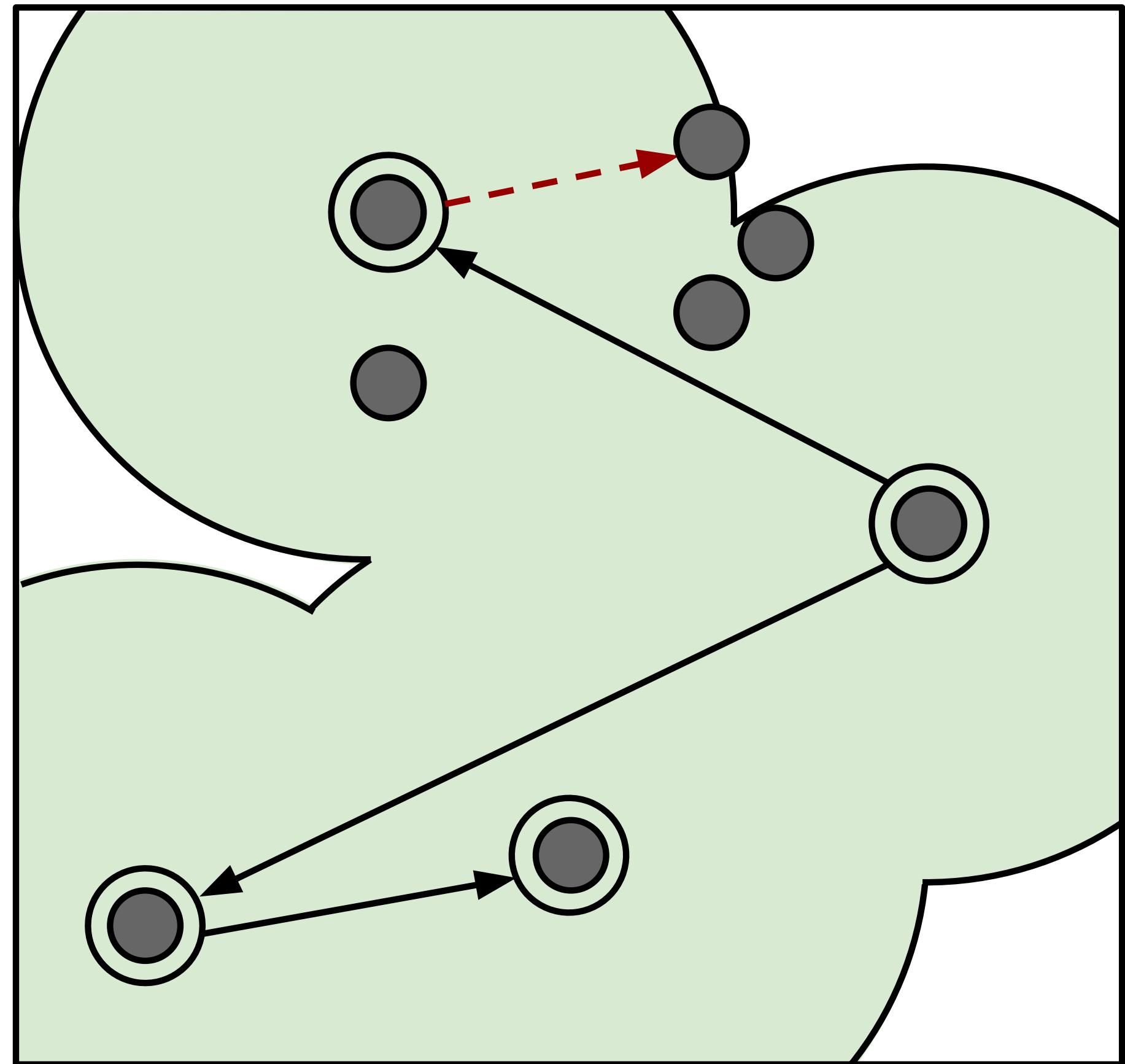
The distance to the next point is also the radius to cover the set.

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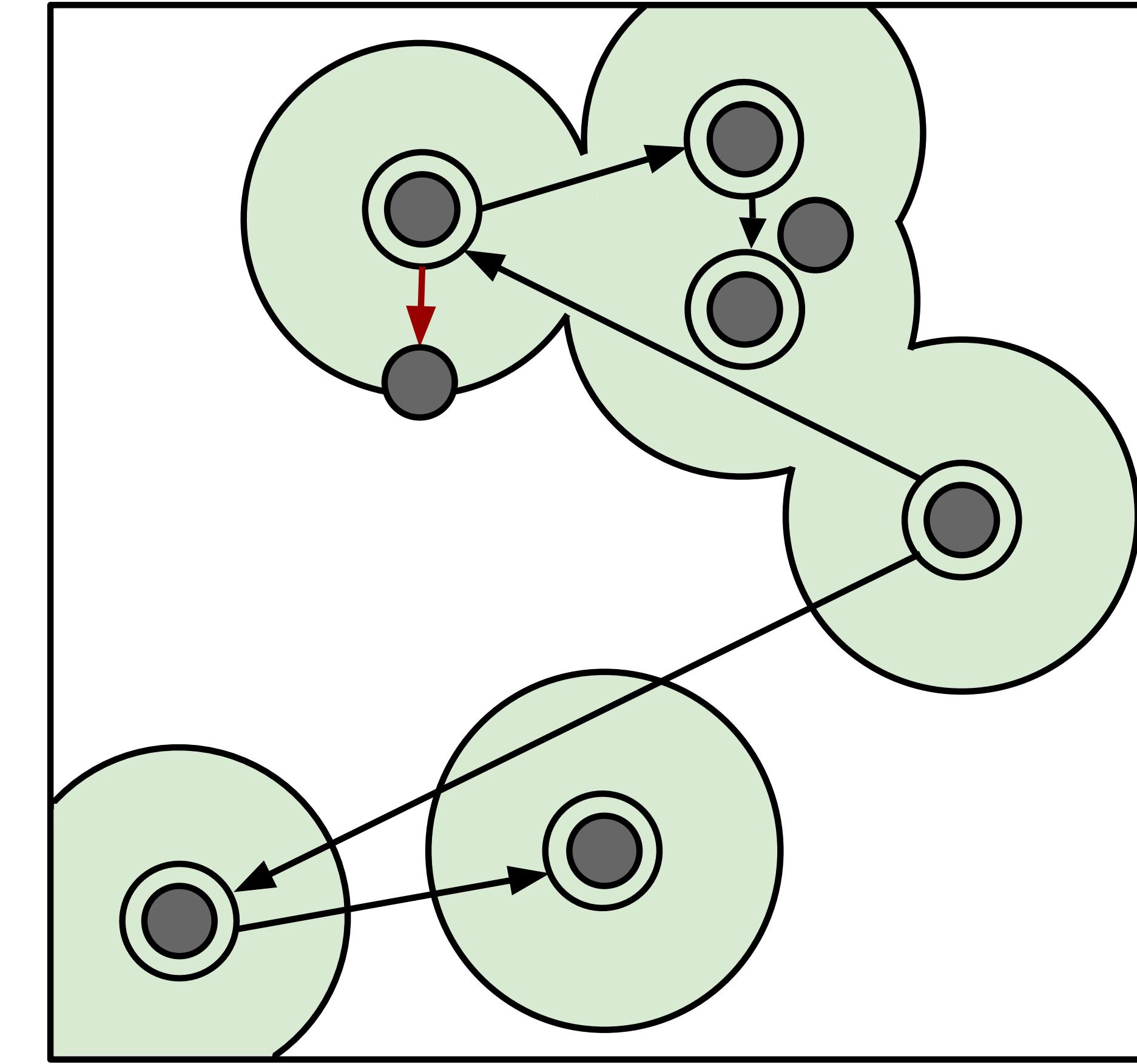
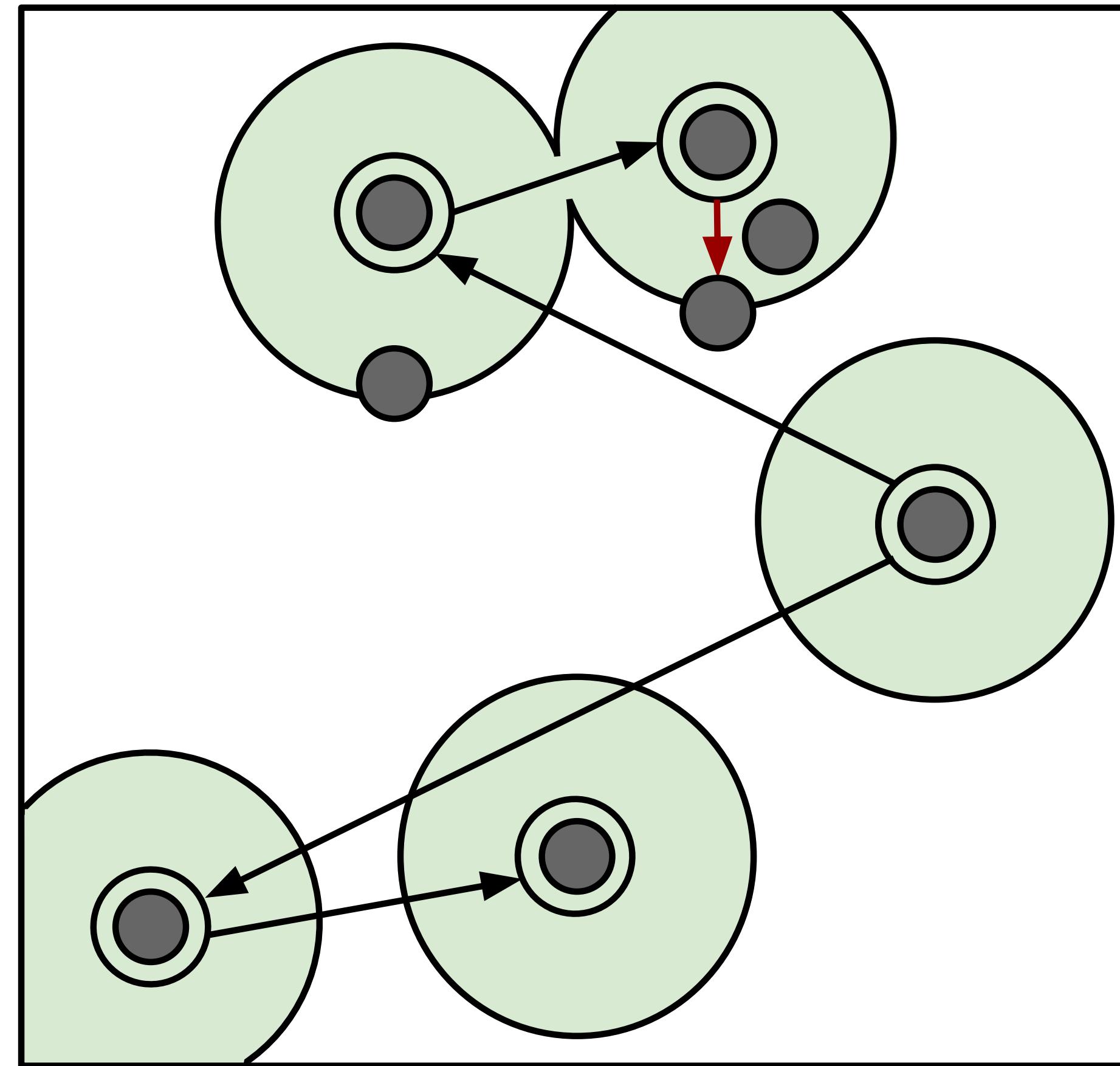
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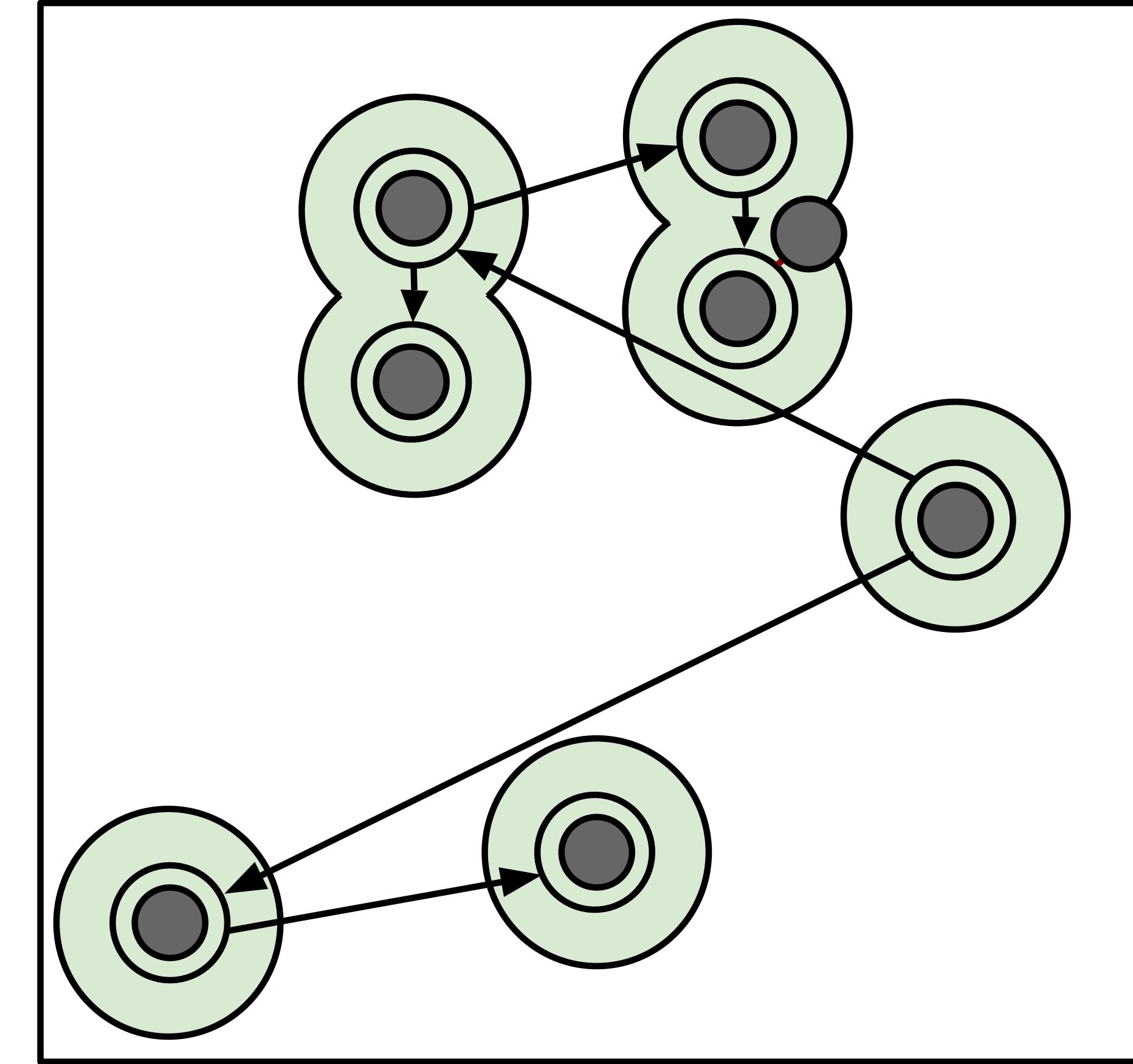
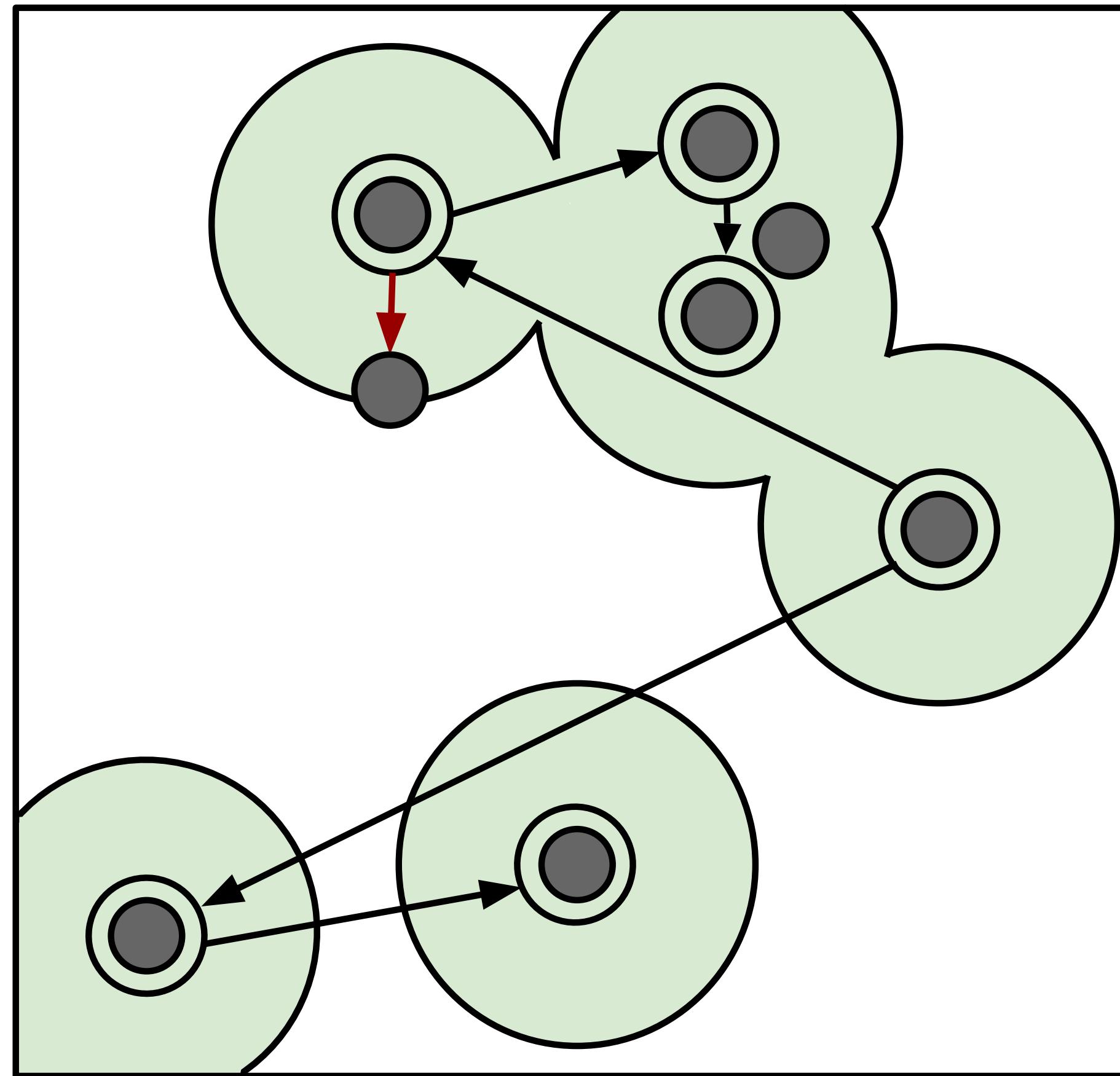
The predecessor of a point is the nearest neighbor in the prefix.

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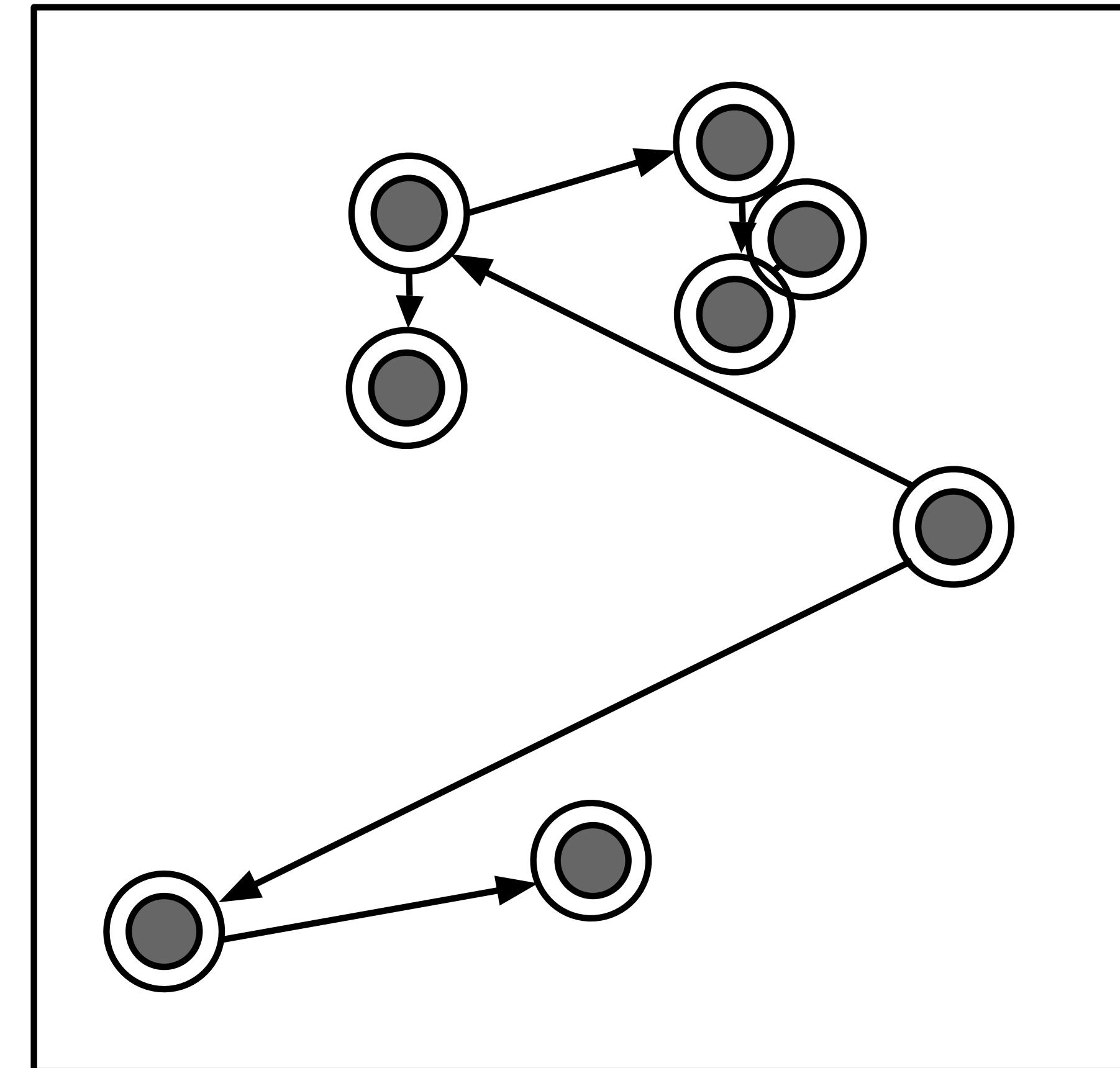
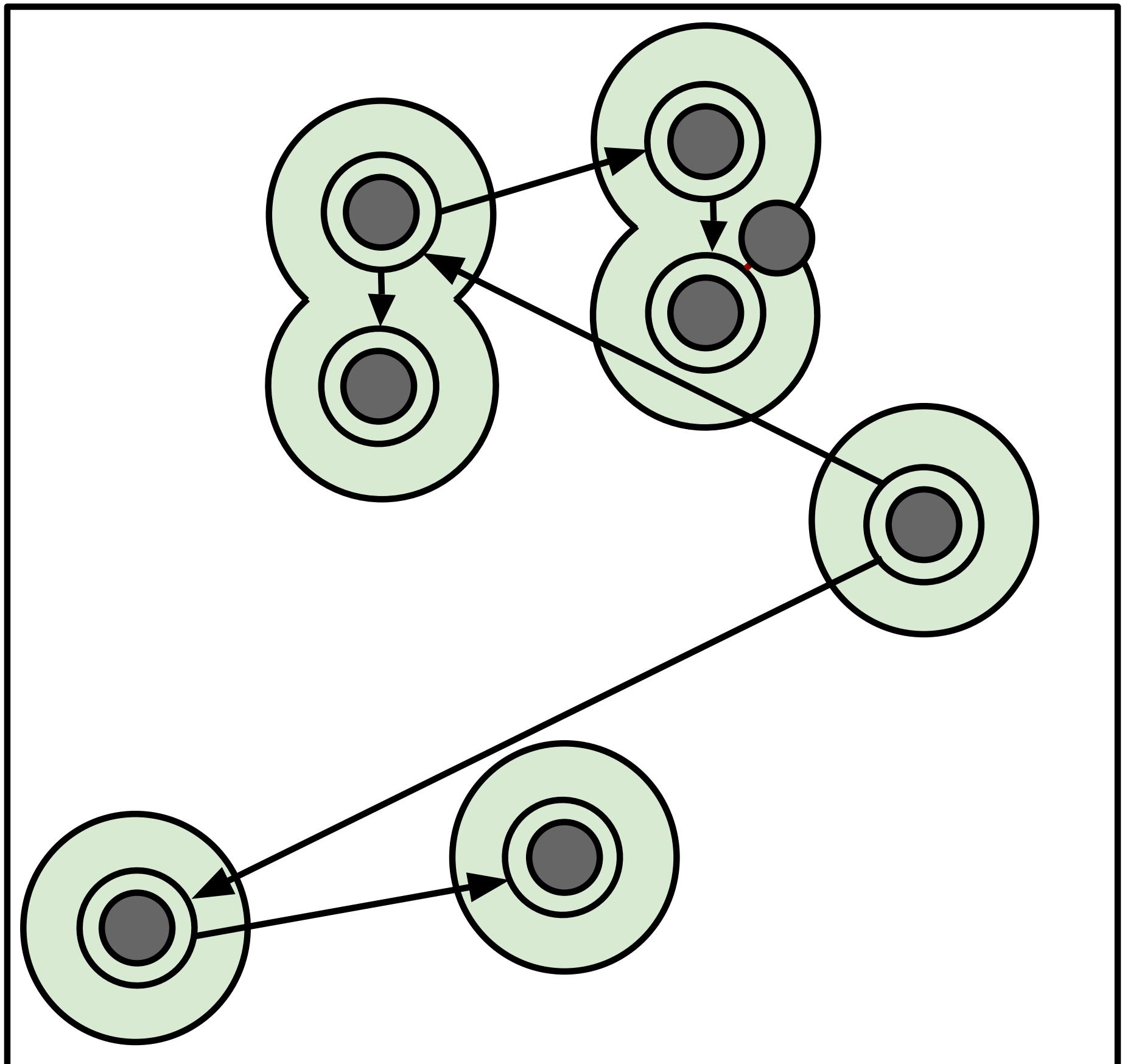
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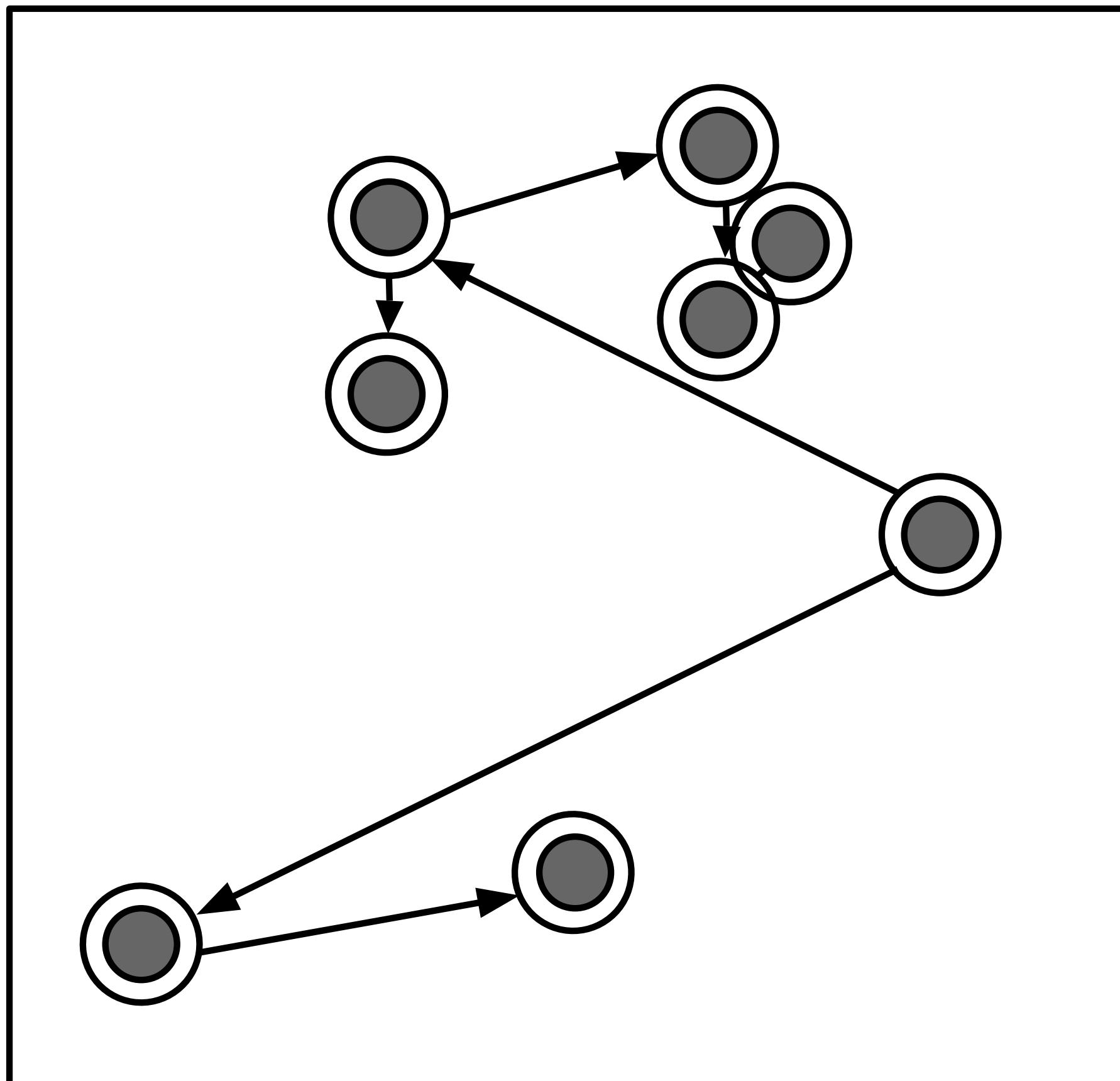


The assignment of points to their predecessor is the predecessor mapping.

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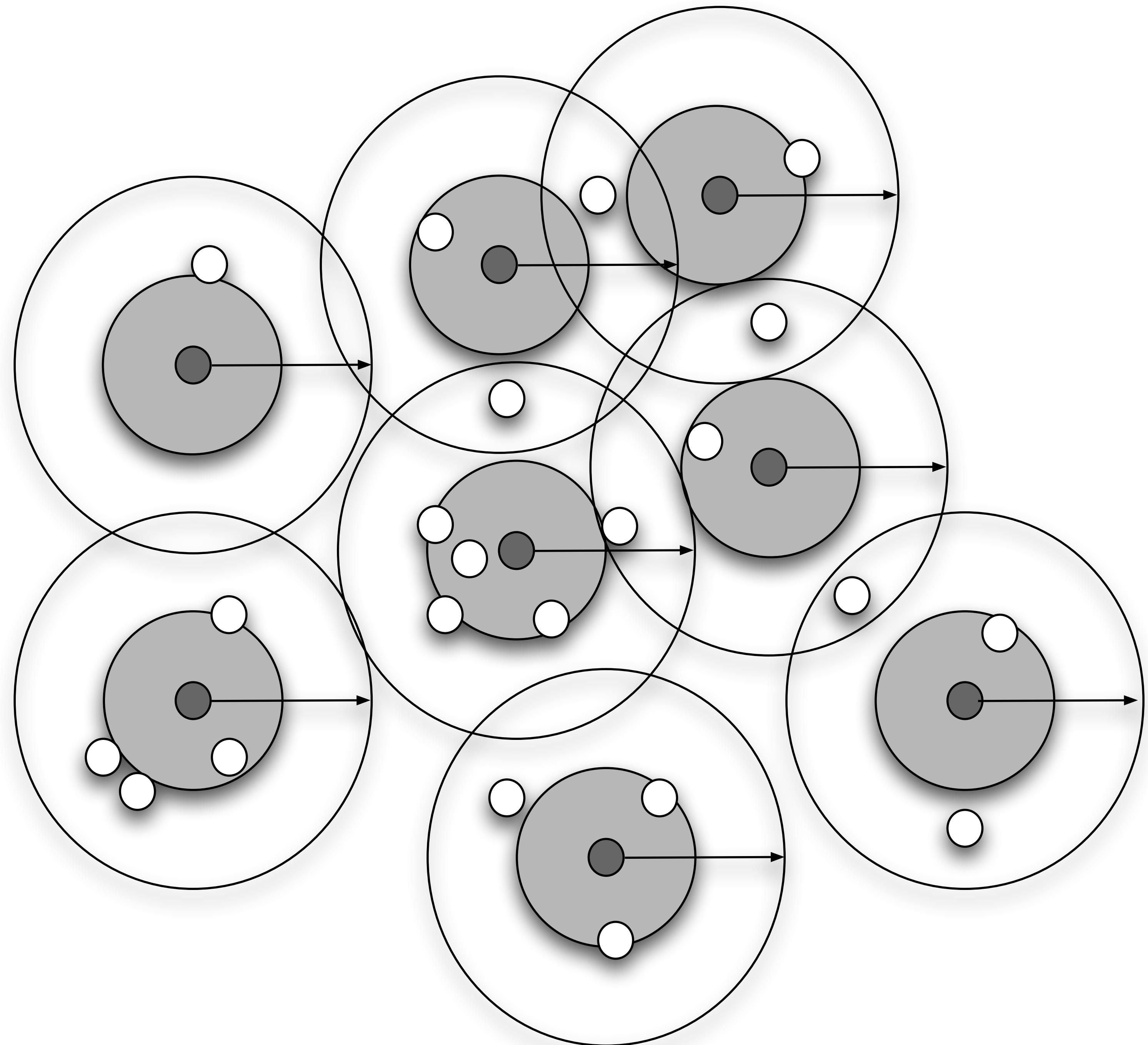
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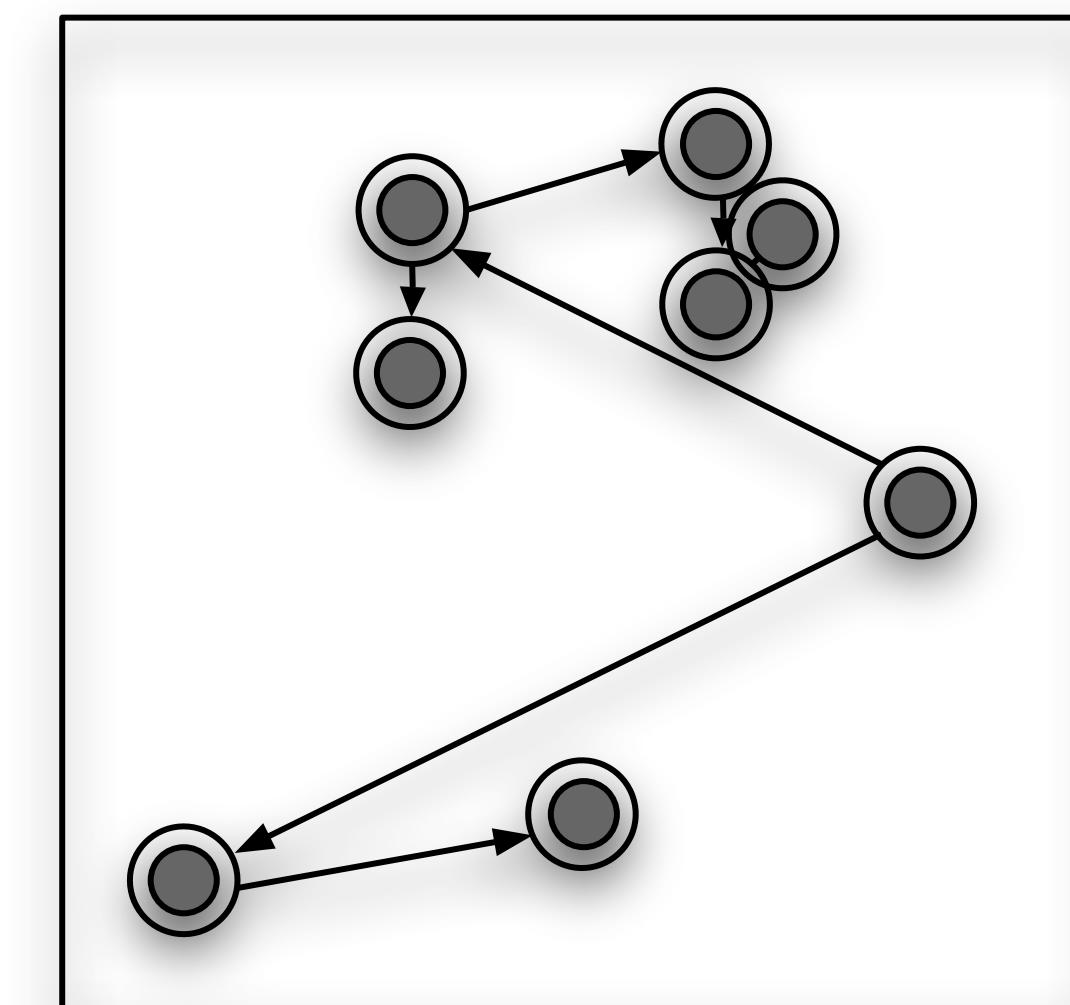
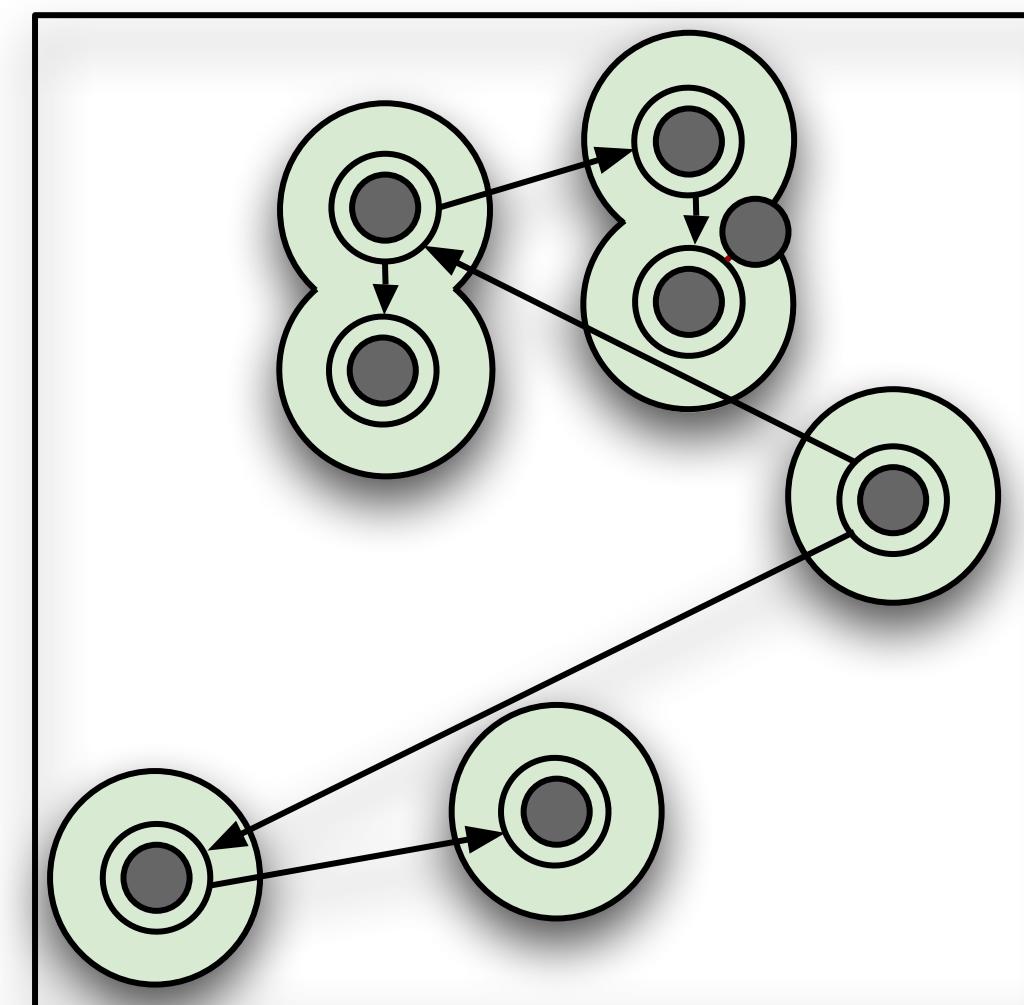
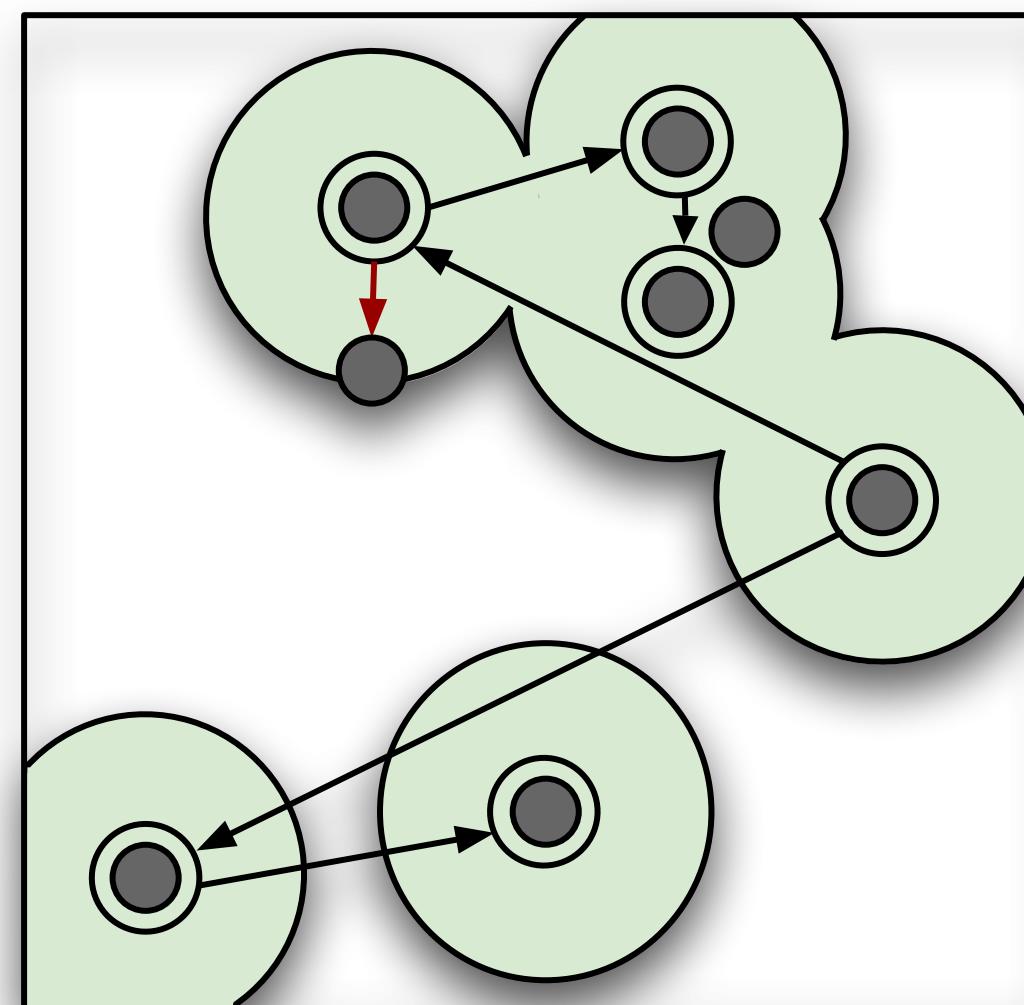
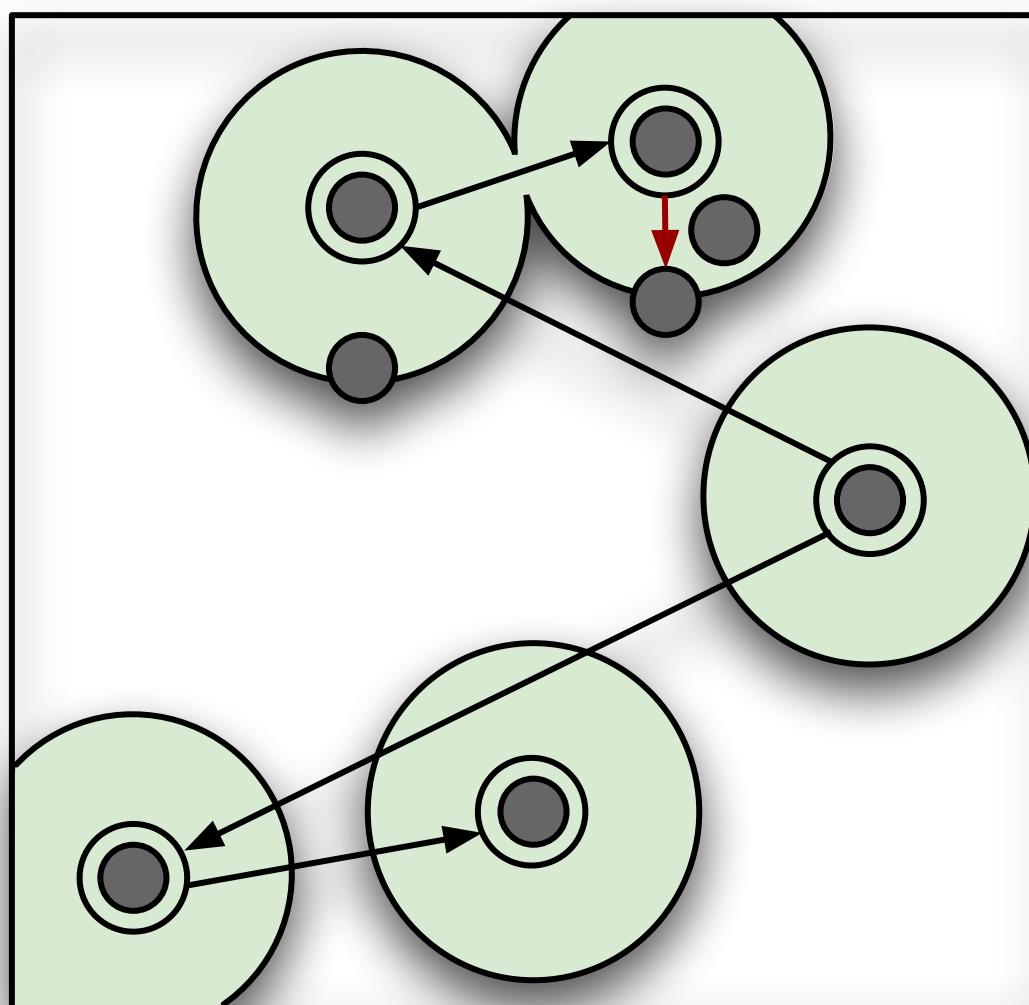
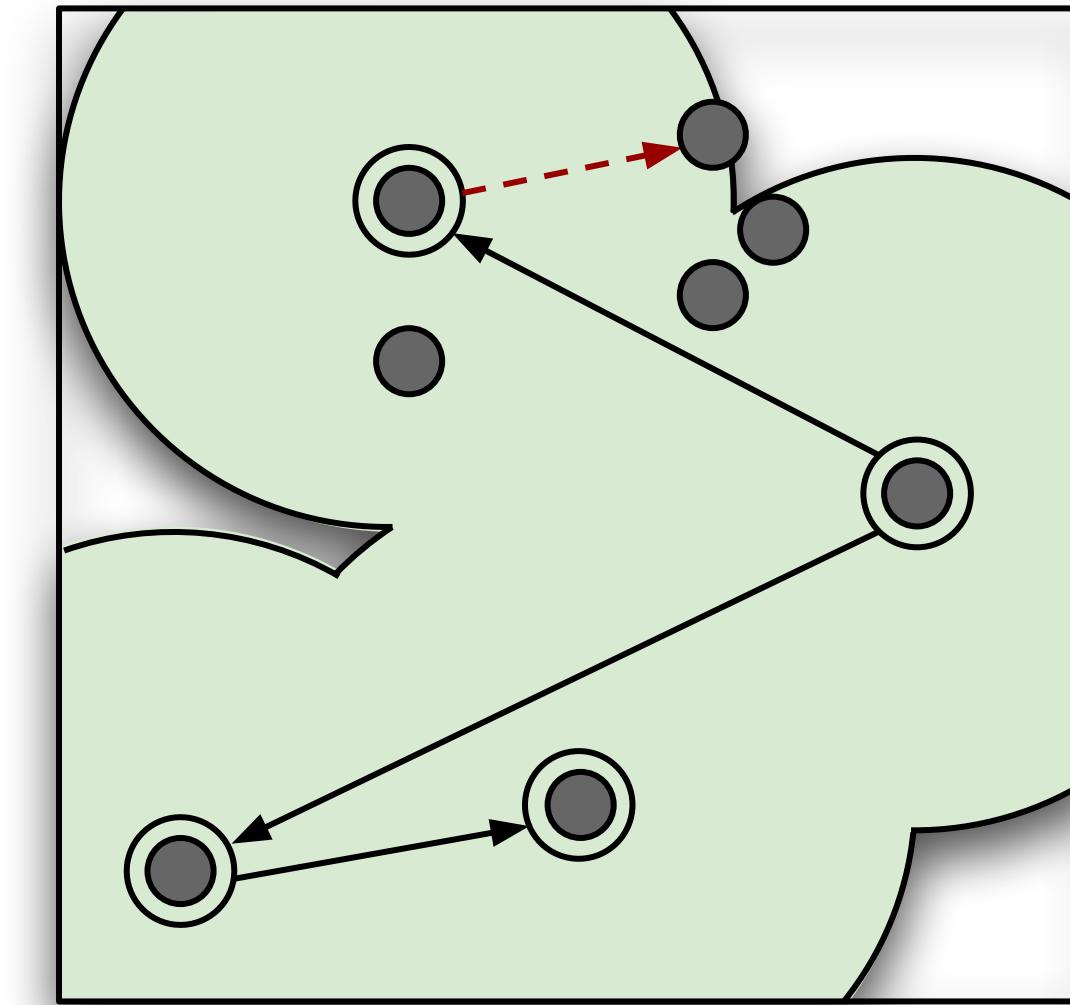
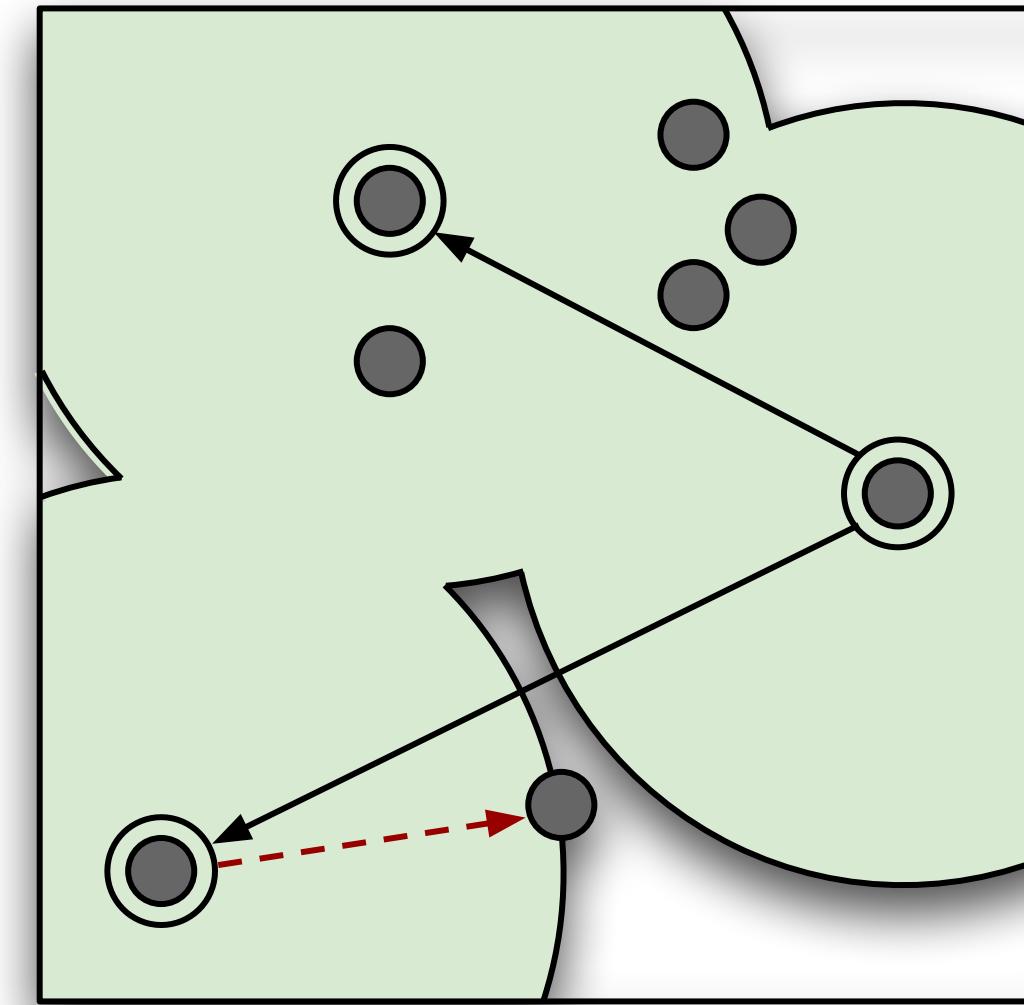
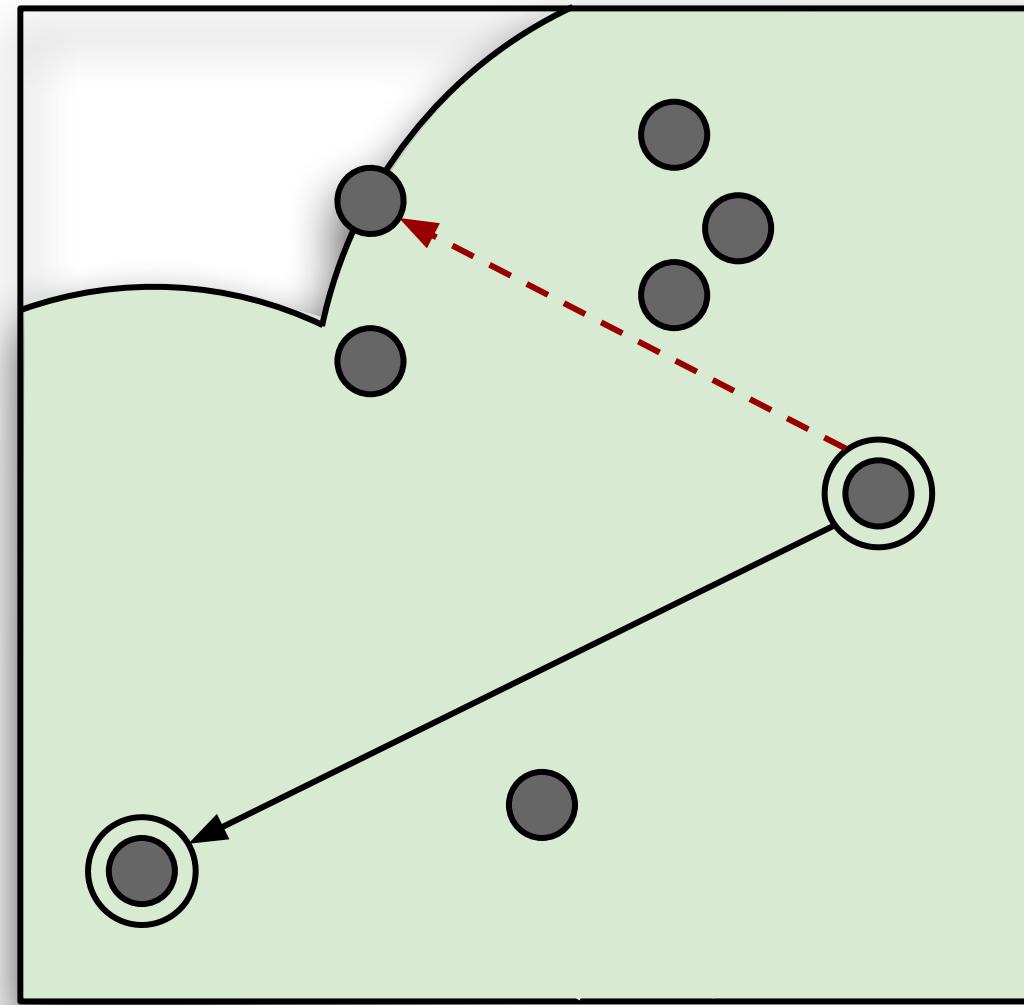
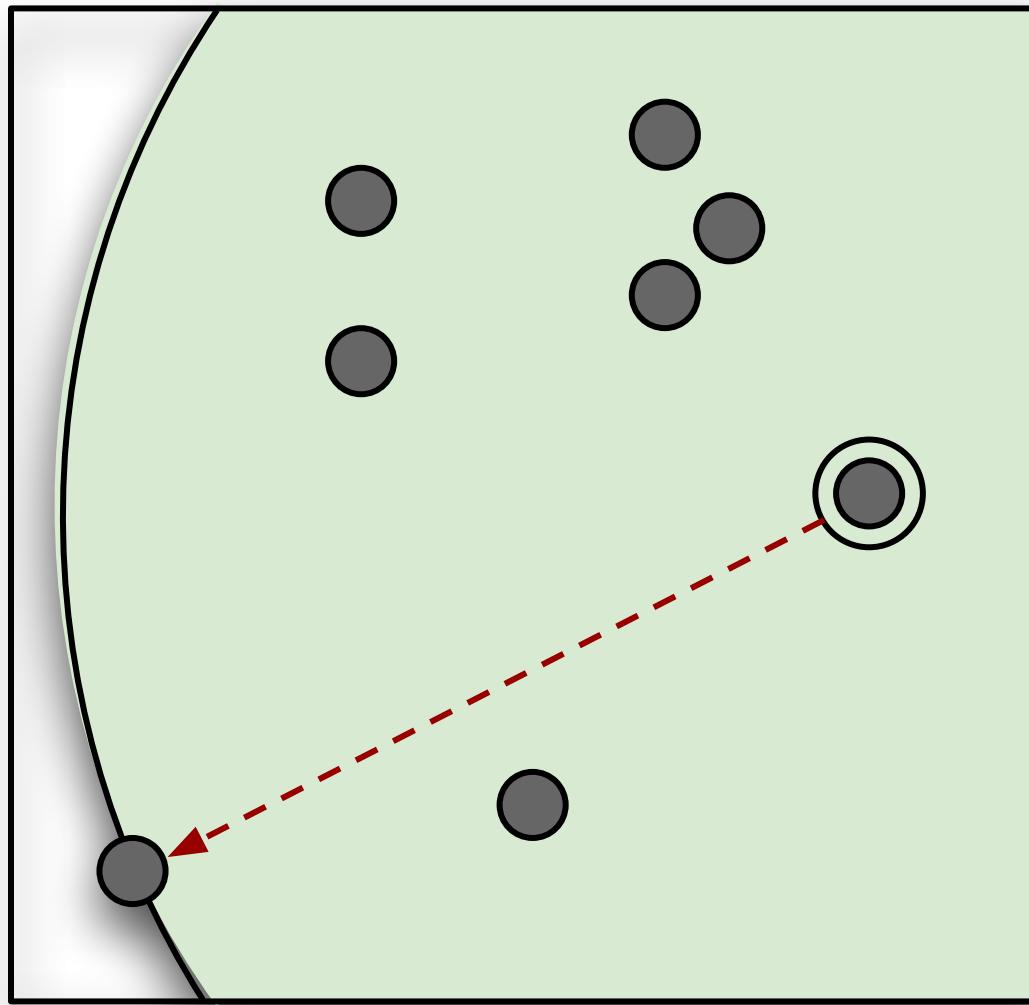
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*(Later we can reframe this in terms of Voronoi diagrams...)*

# Net-trees

***“The net-tree can be thought of as a representation of nets from all scales”***

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- $O(n \log n)$  **space data structure**
- $2^{O(d)} \log n + (1/\varepsilon)^{O(d)}$  **query time**
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(a.k.a. a greedy permutation or Gonzalez ordering)

[Har-Peled and Mendel 2005]

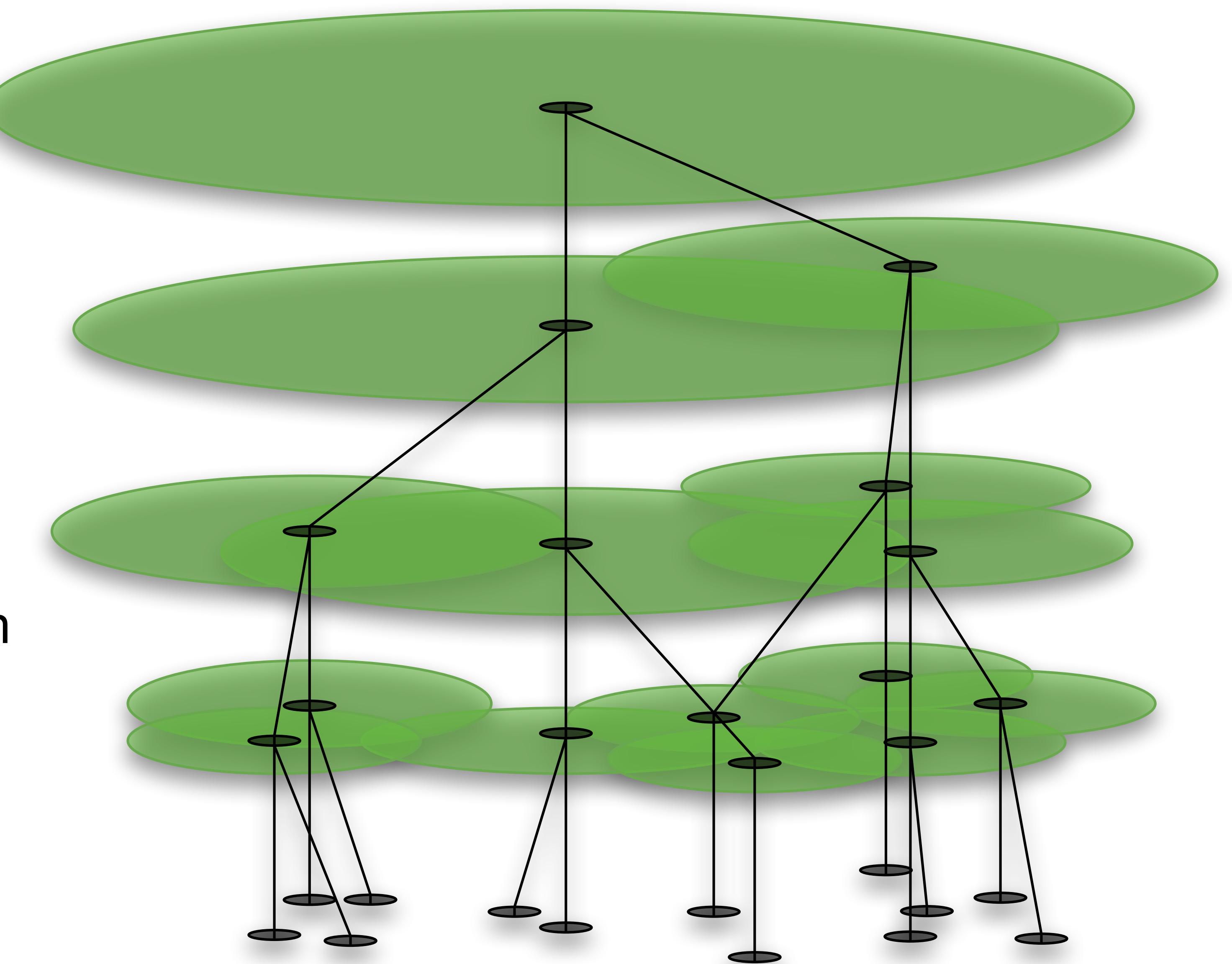
# Summary of Results

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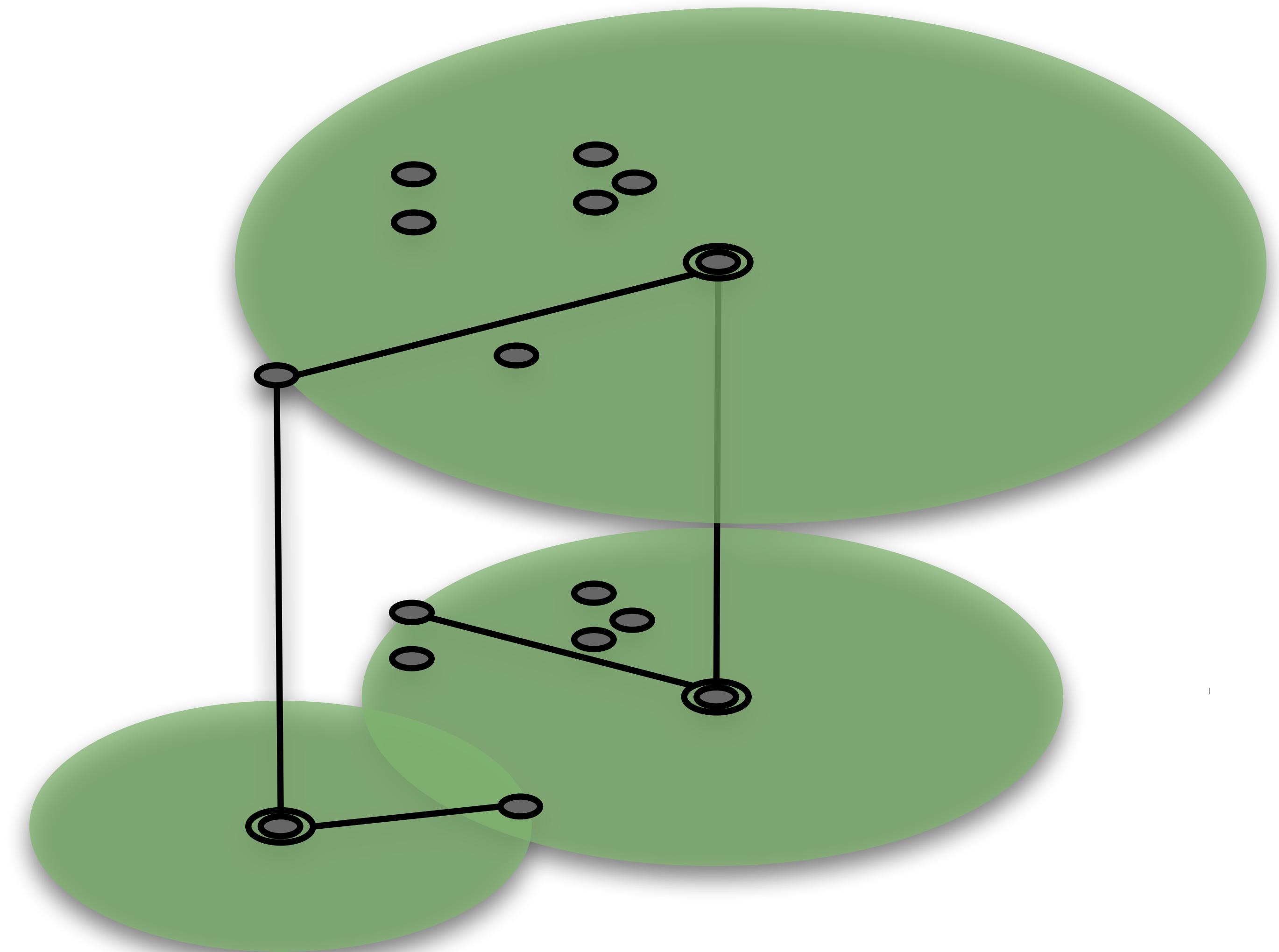
***Goal: match or improve on prior work using a simpler algorithm.***

# Ball Trees

- A binary tree
- Constructed by recursive partitioning of the data set
- Each node covers its partition (the points at the leaves in its subtree) with a ball

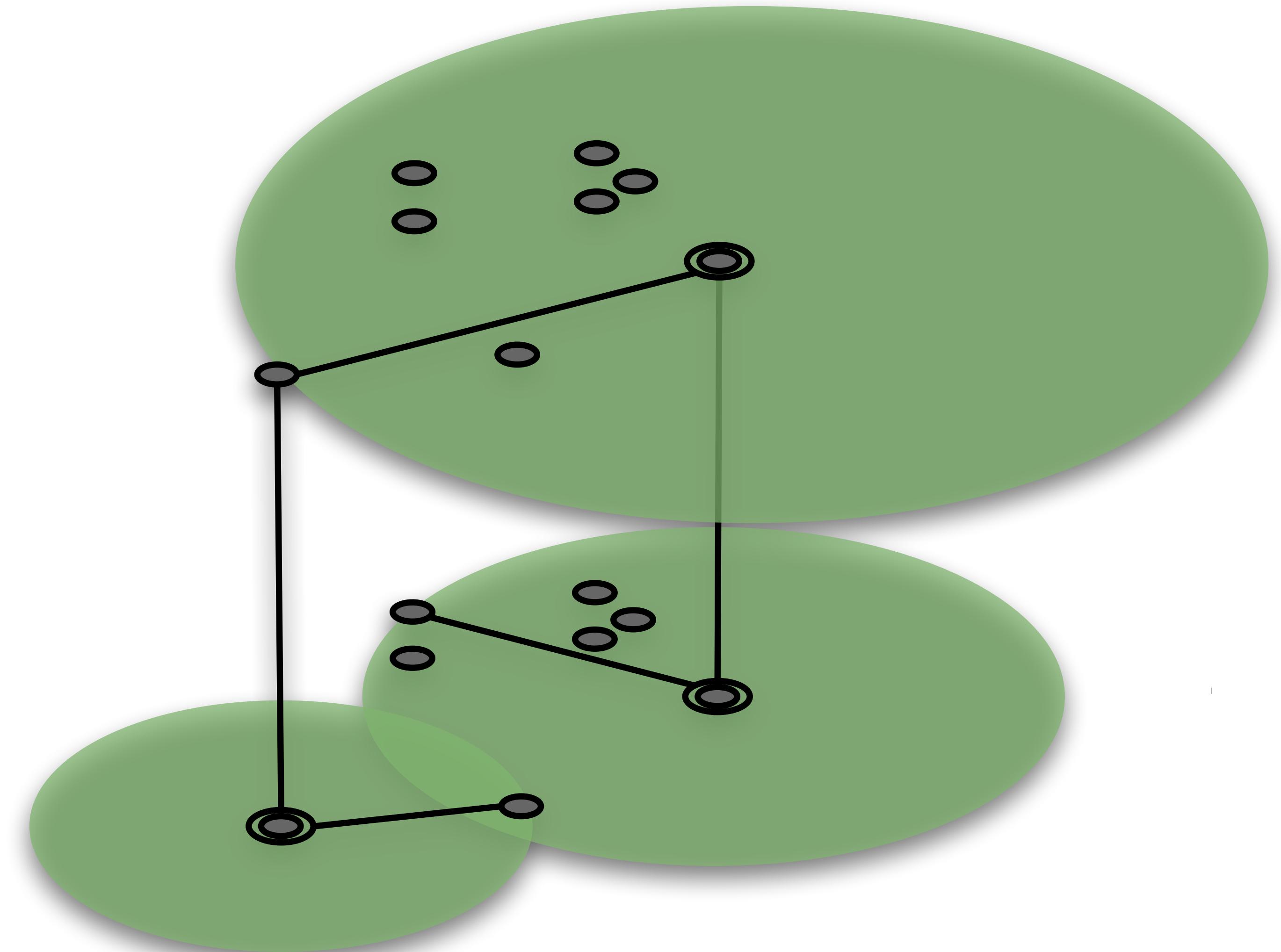


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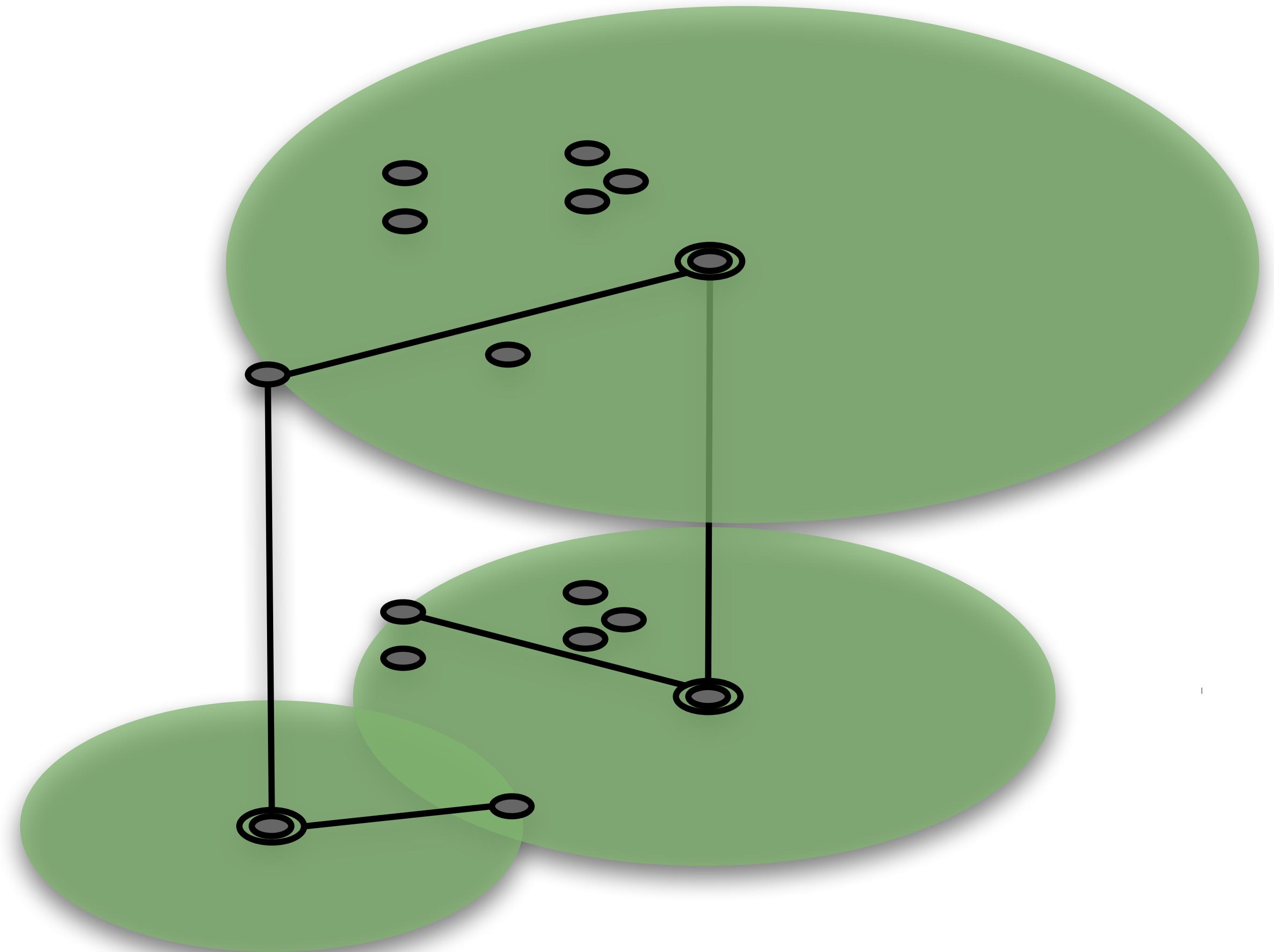
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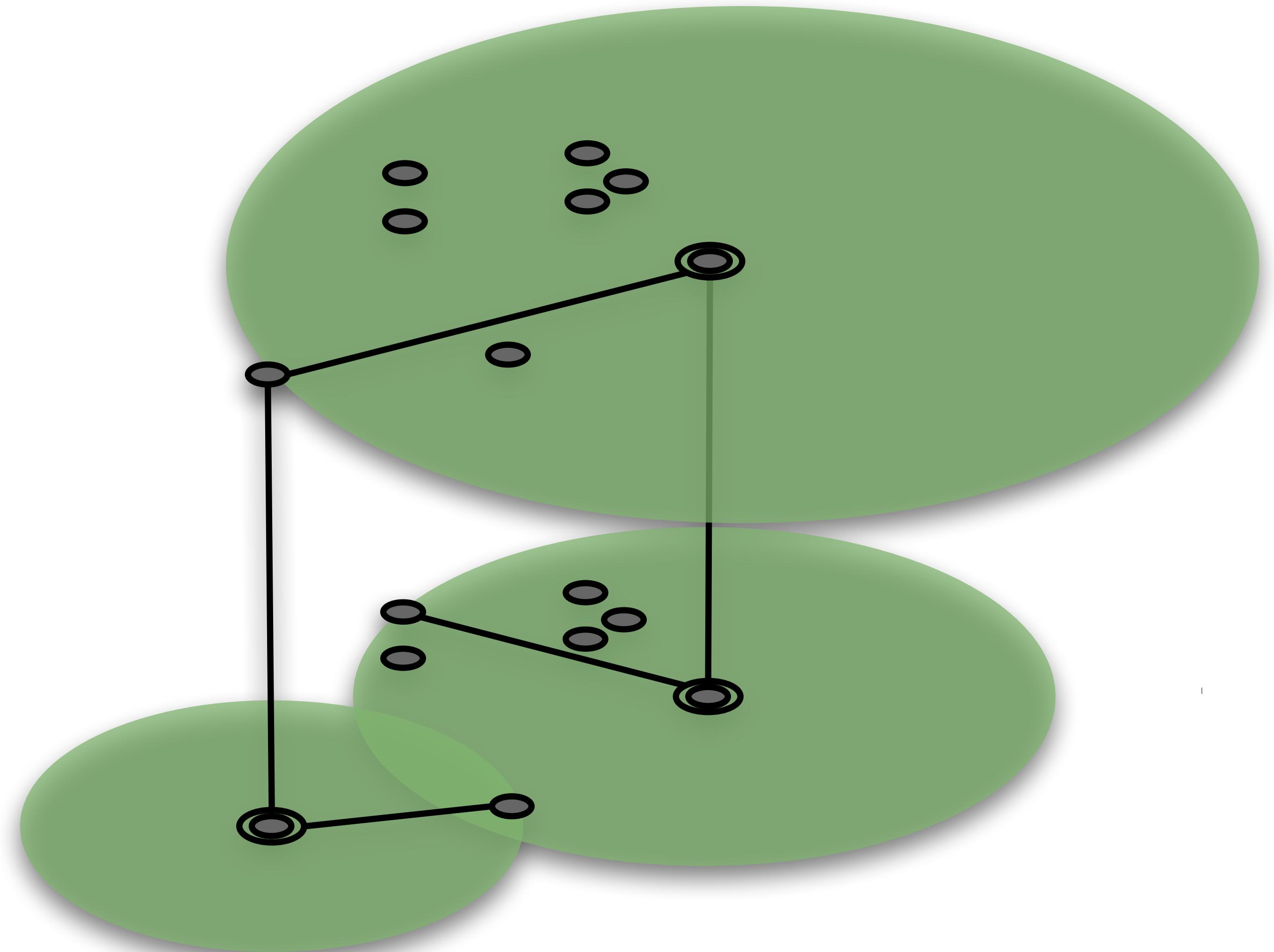
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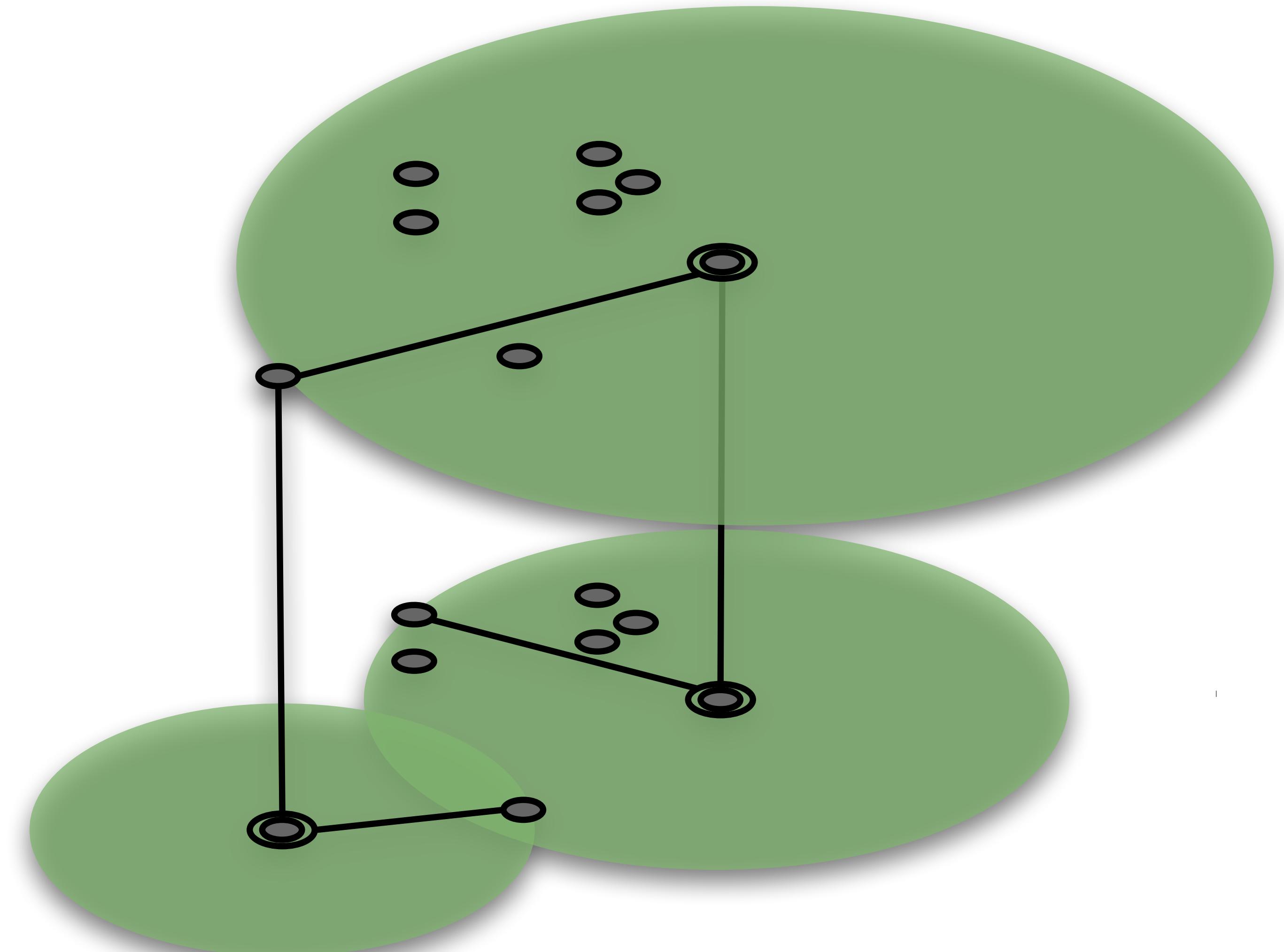
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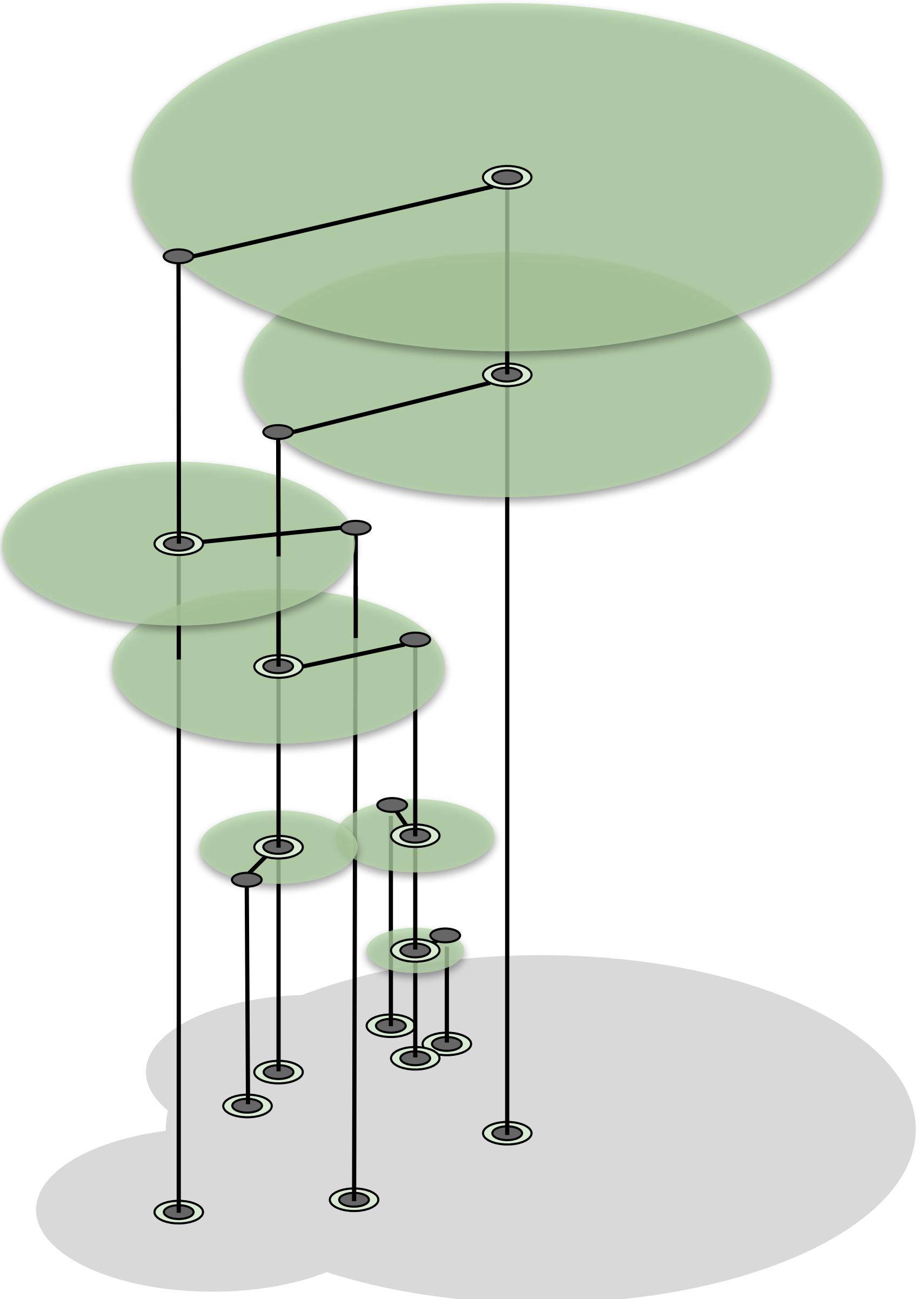
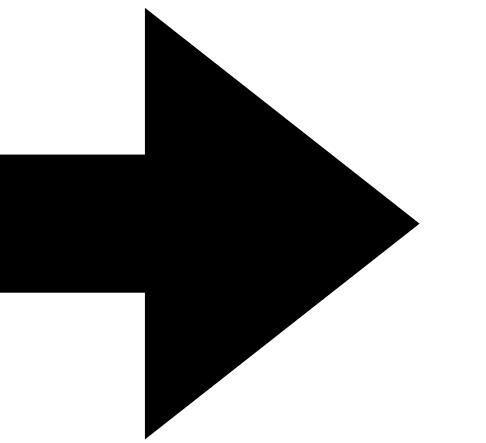
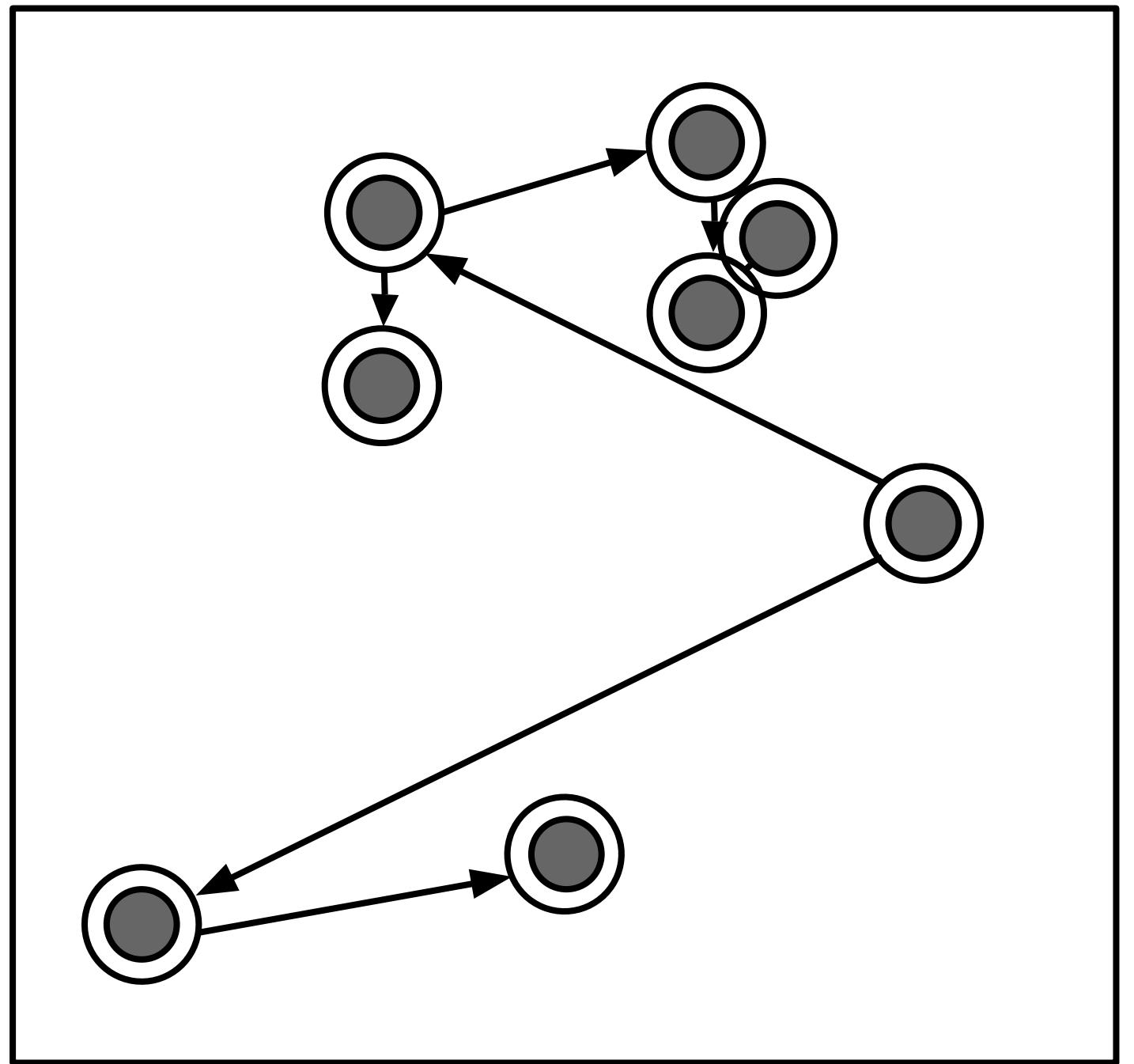
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A ball tree constructed using  
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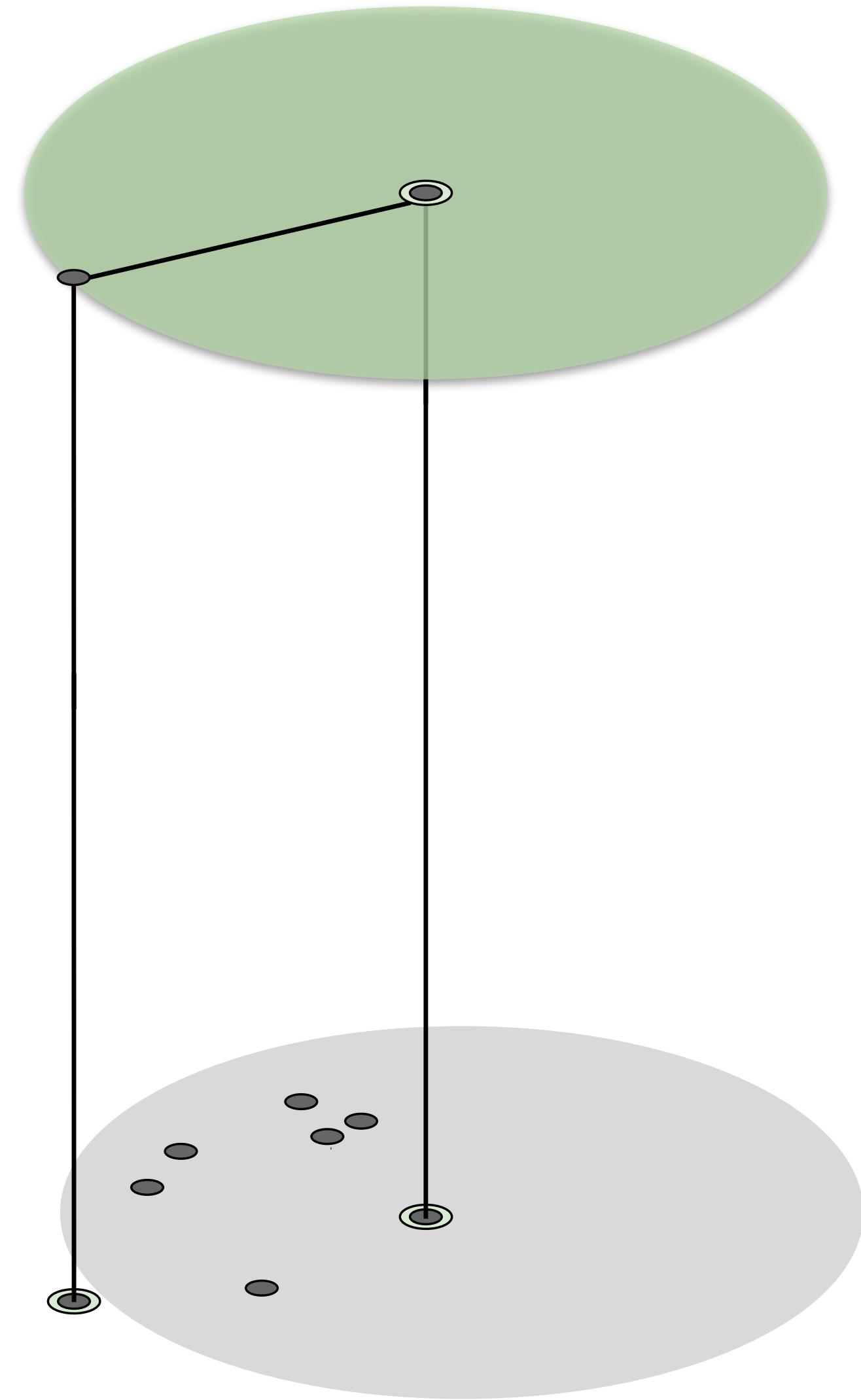
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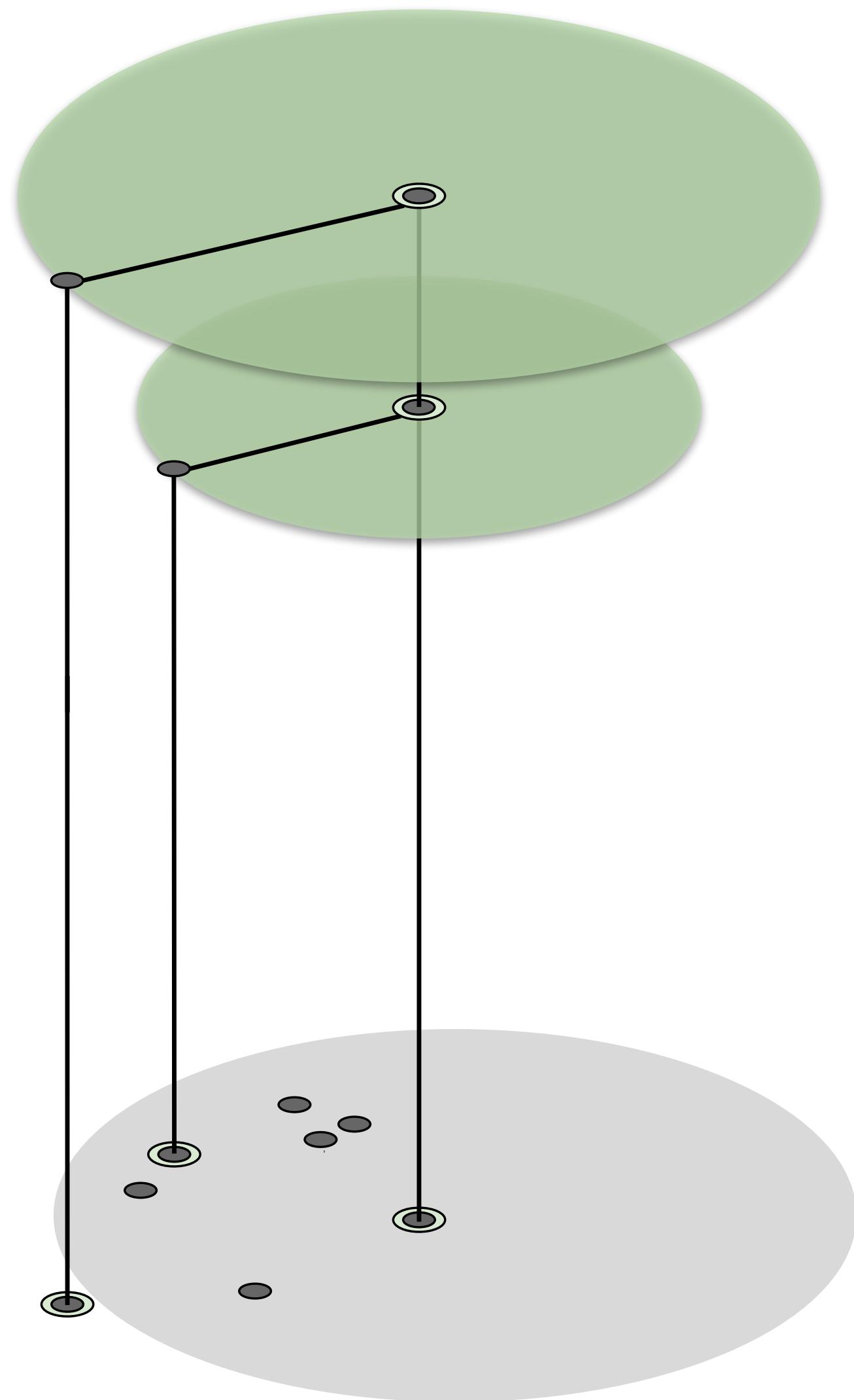
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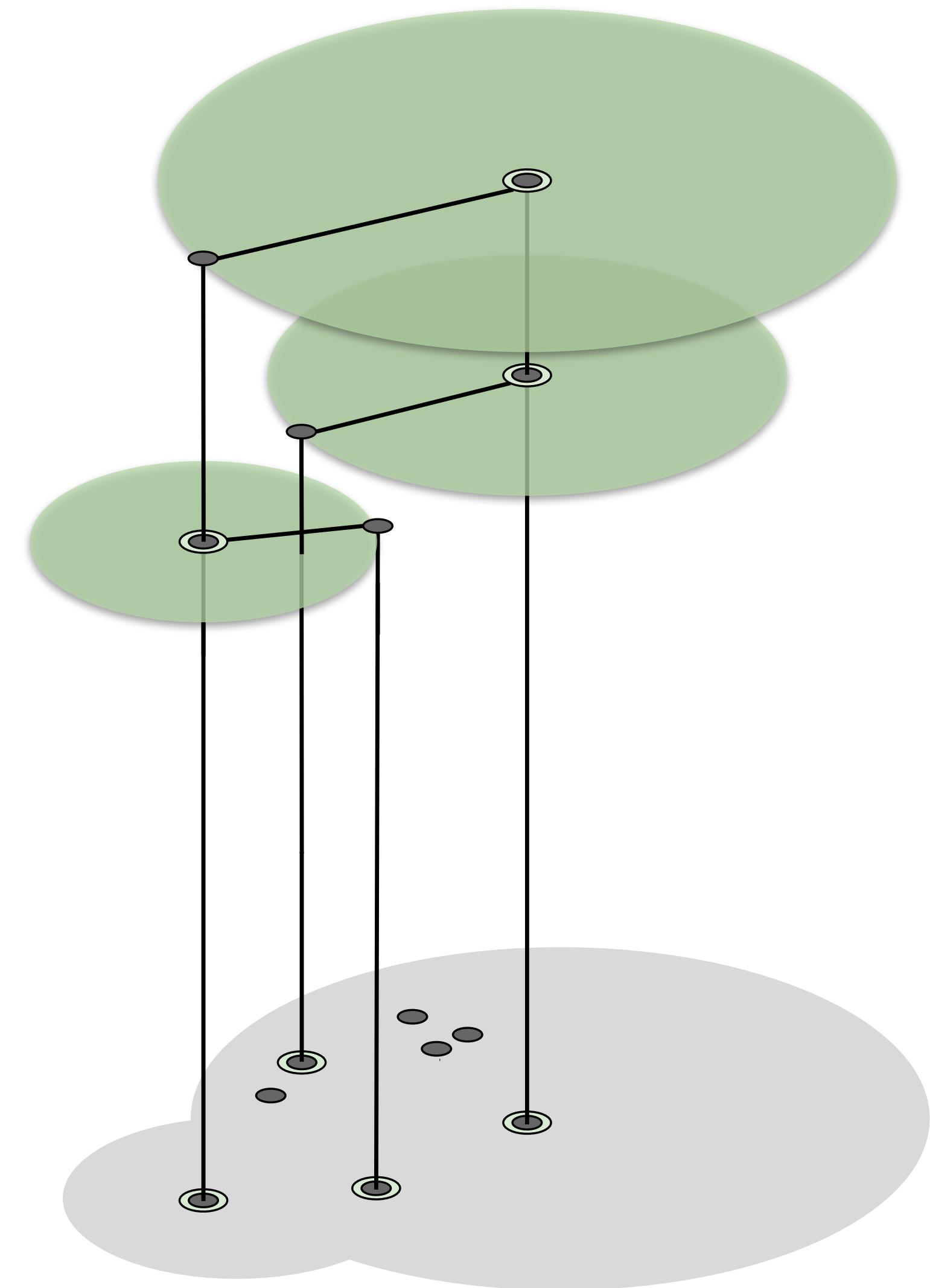
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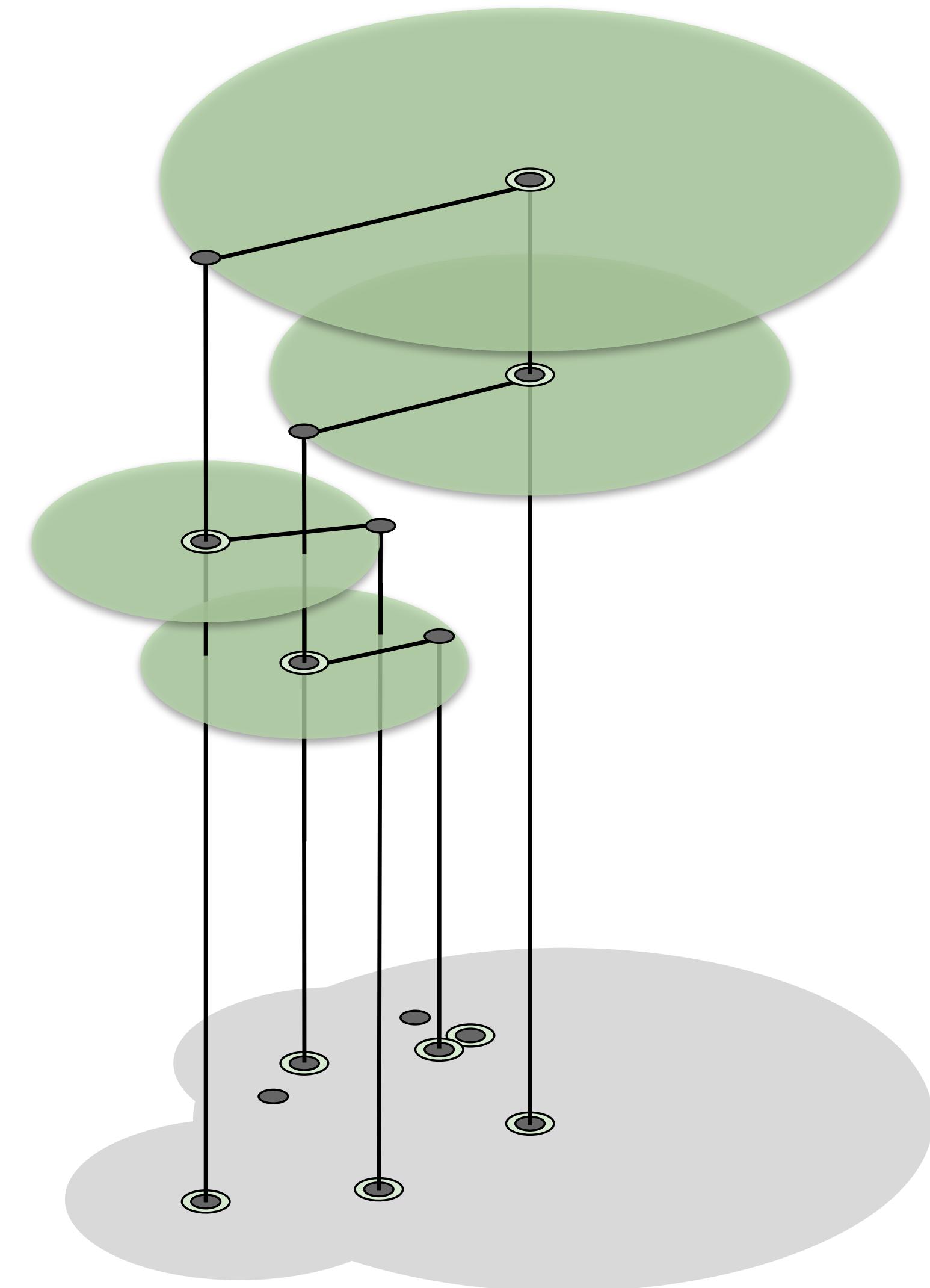
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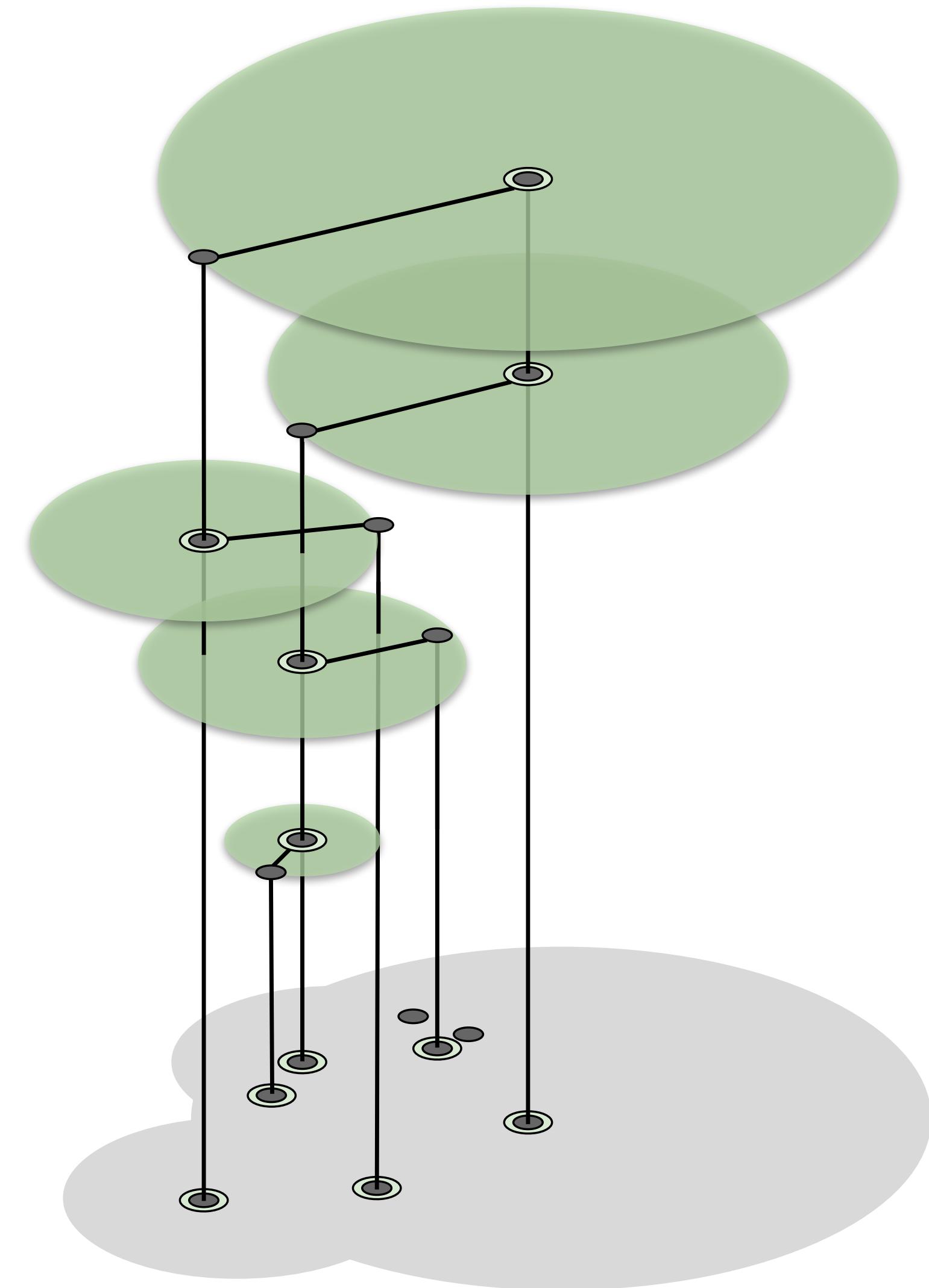
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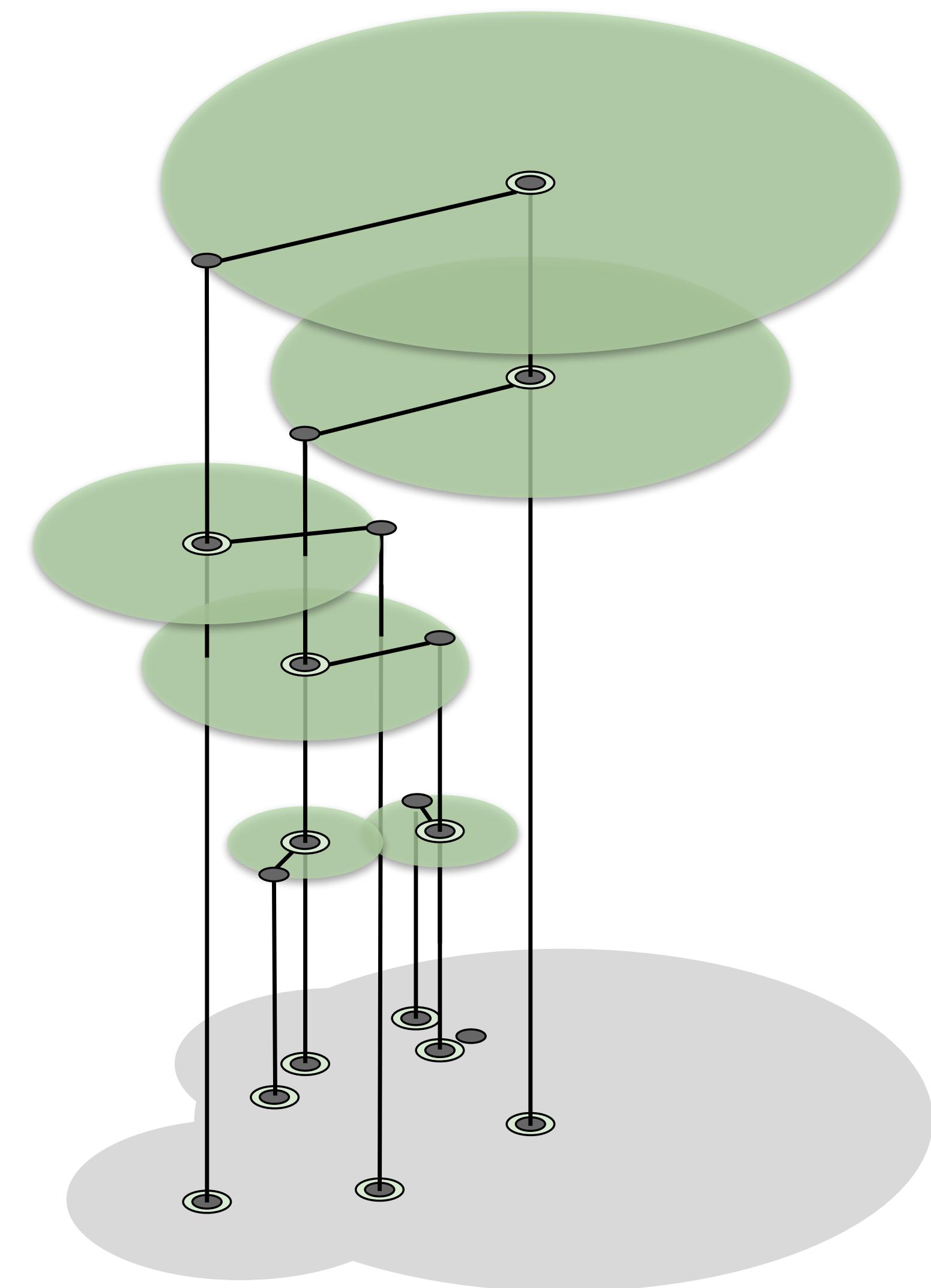
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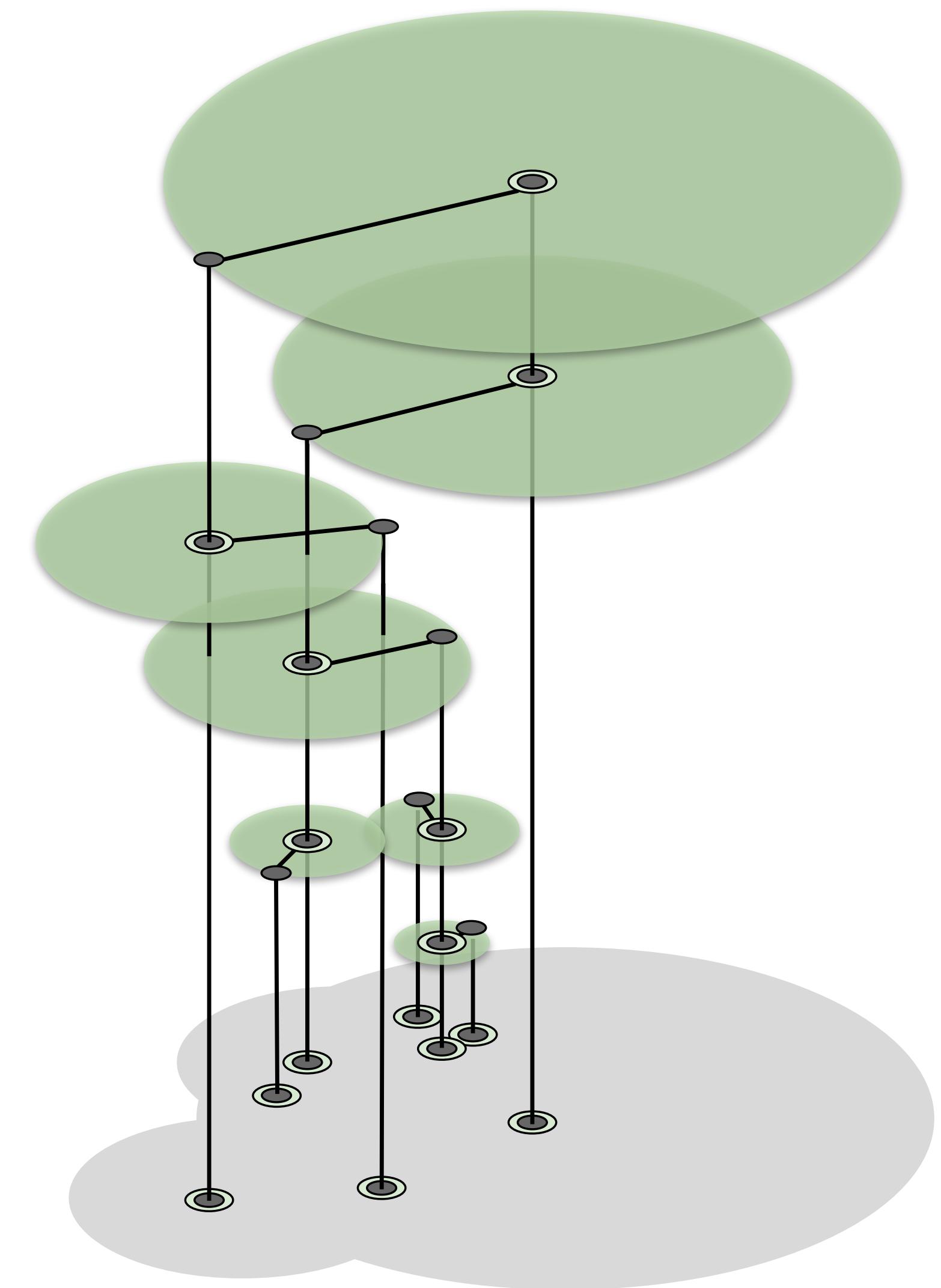
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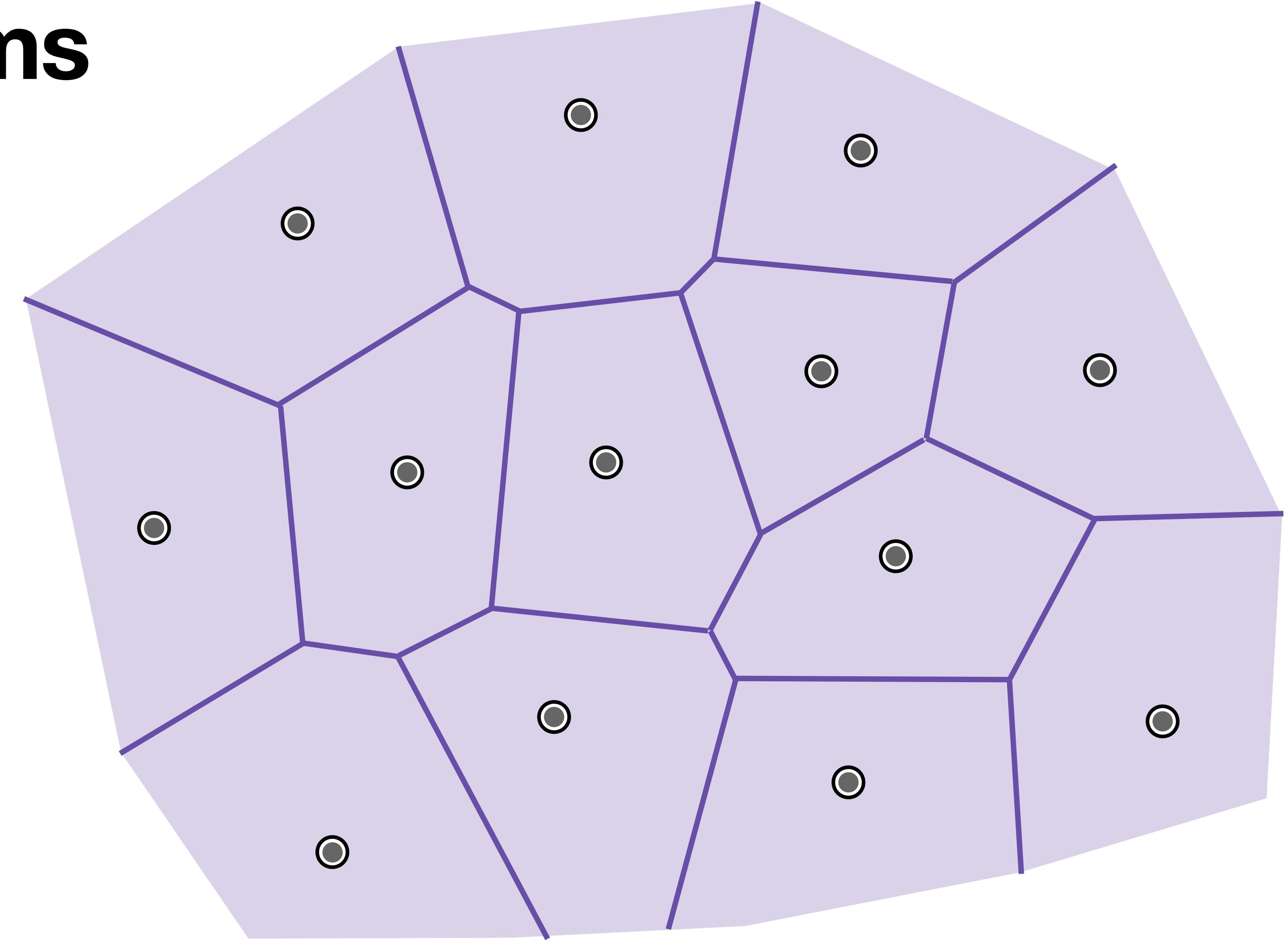


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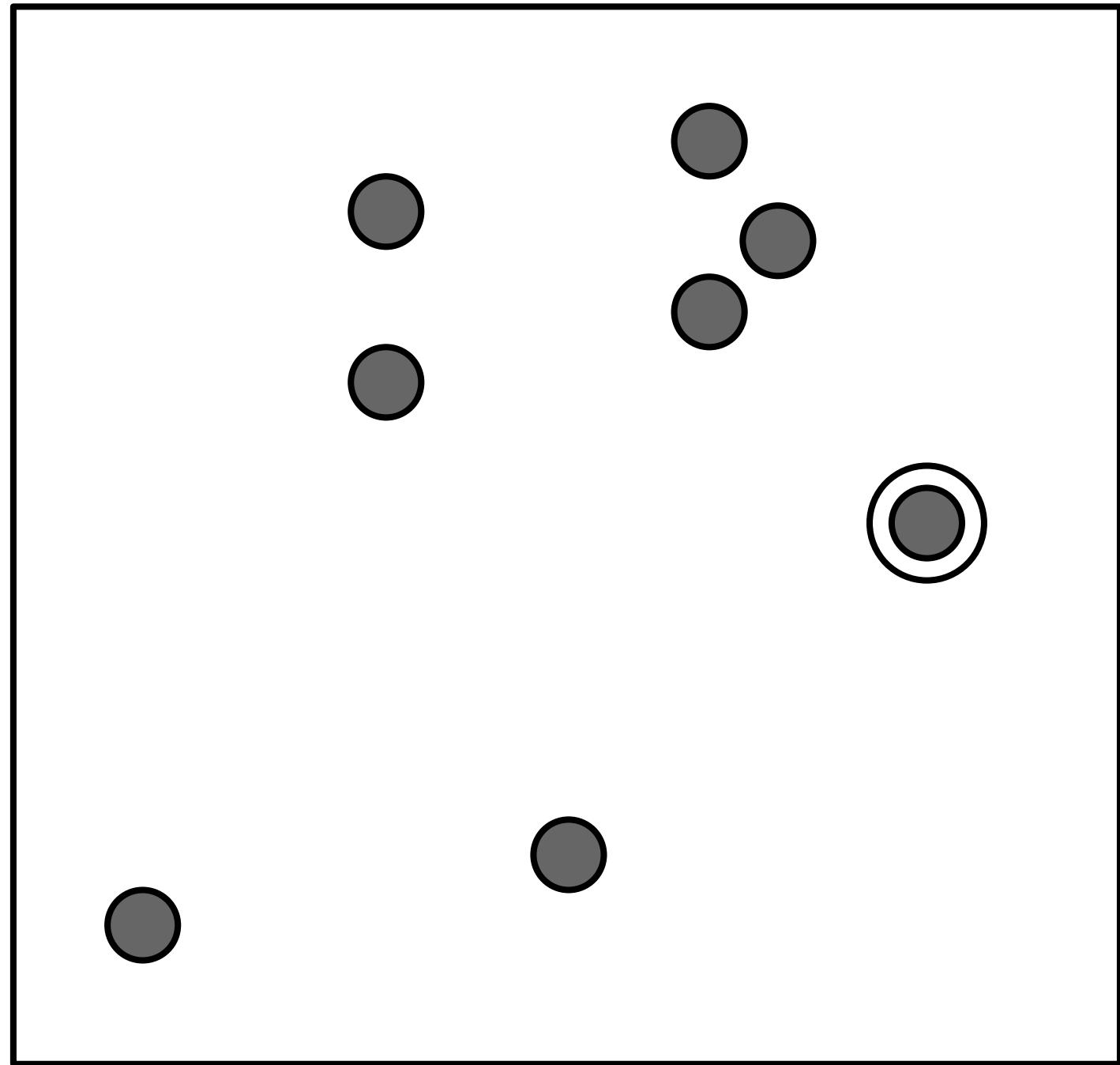
**There is a set of sites.**

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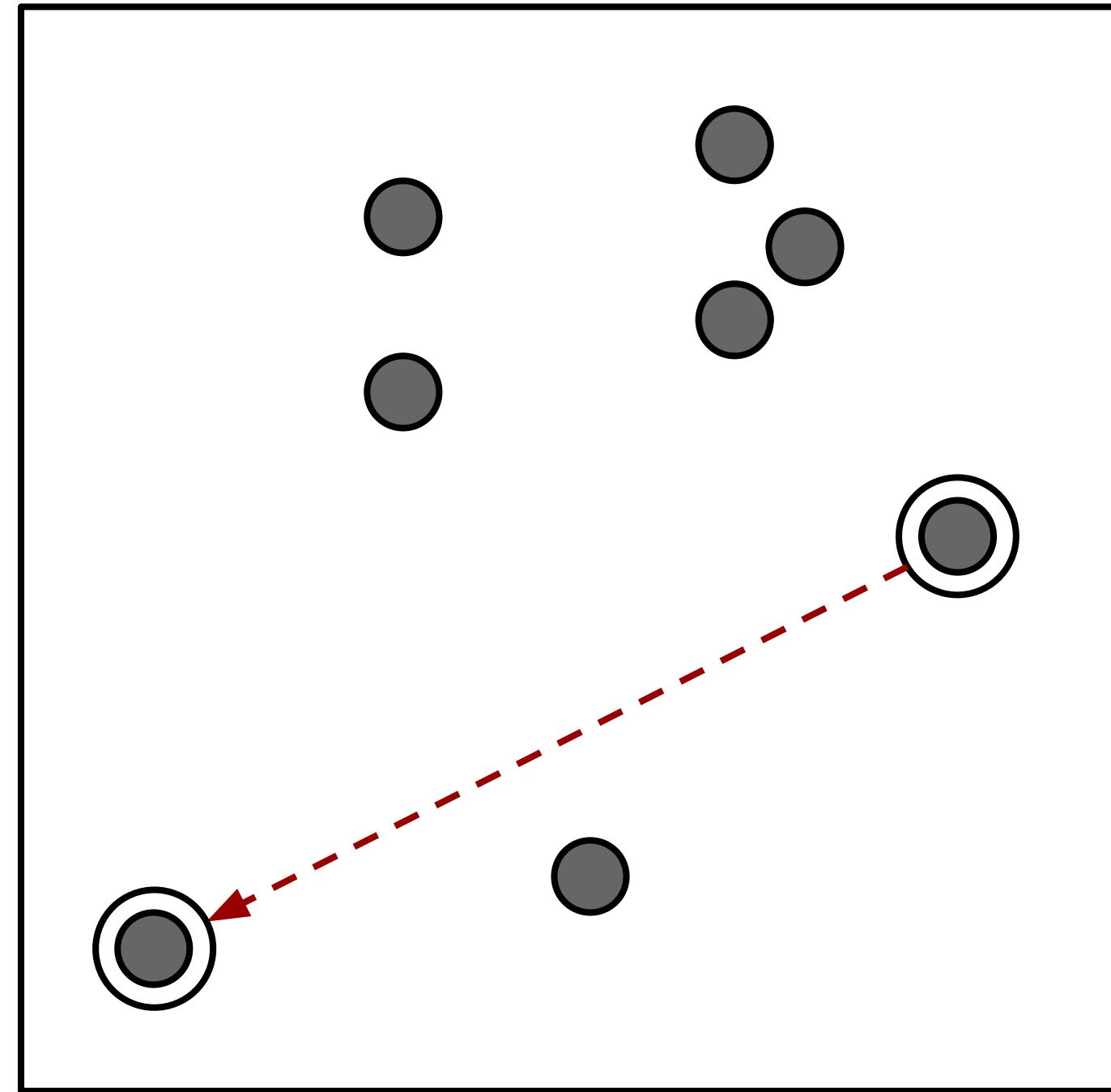
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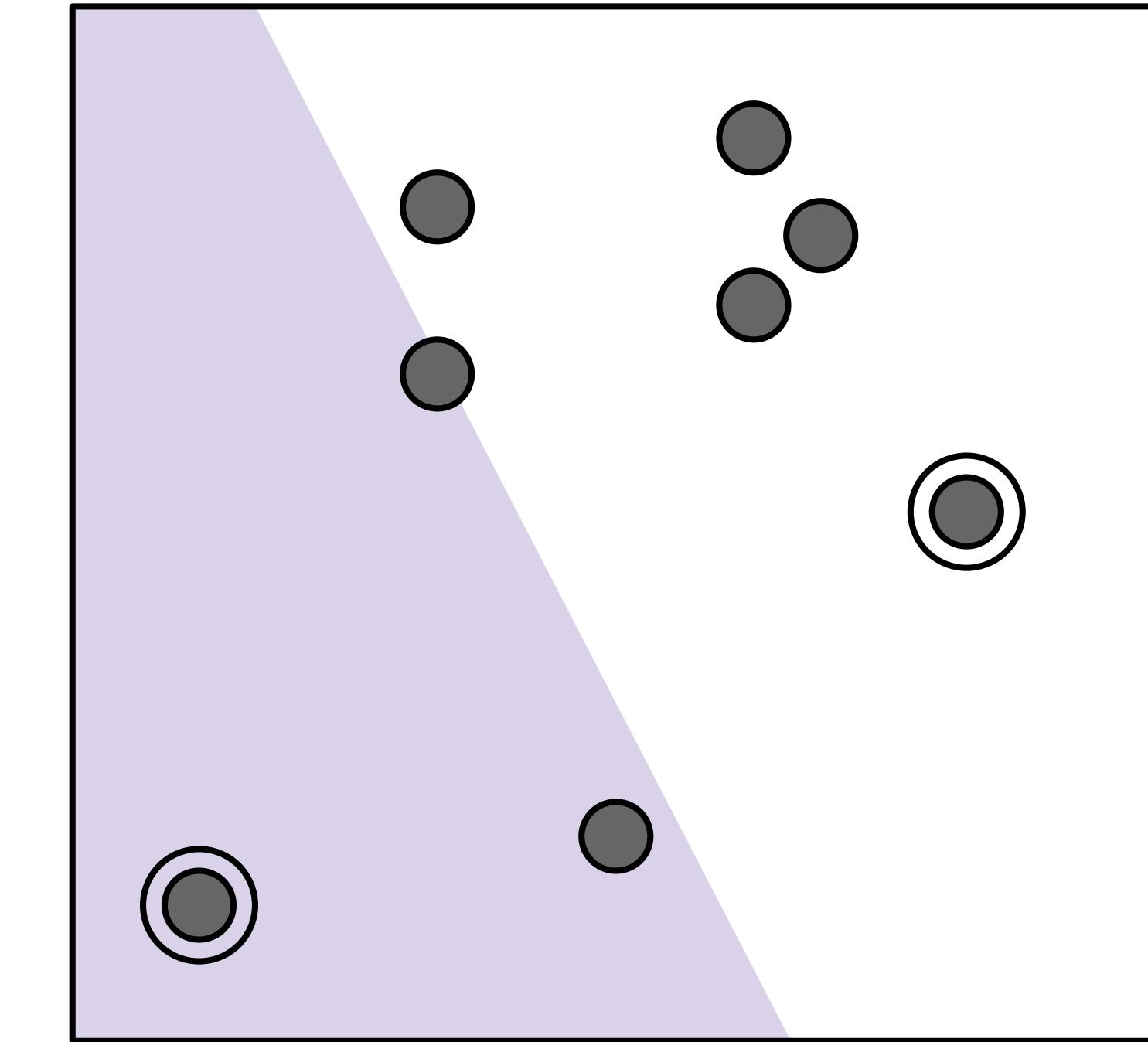
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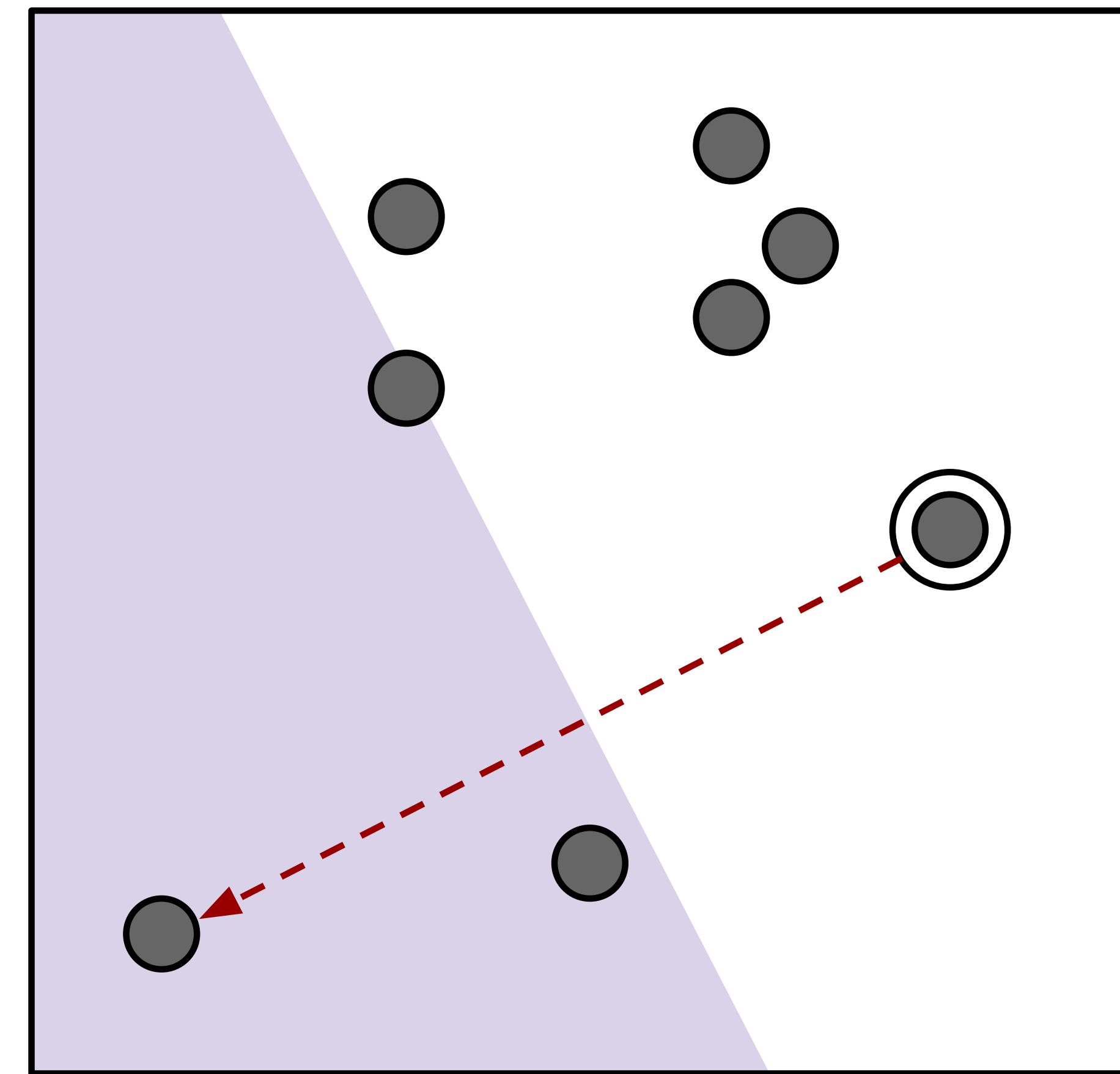
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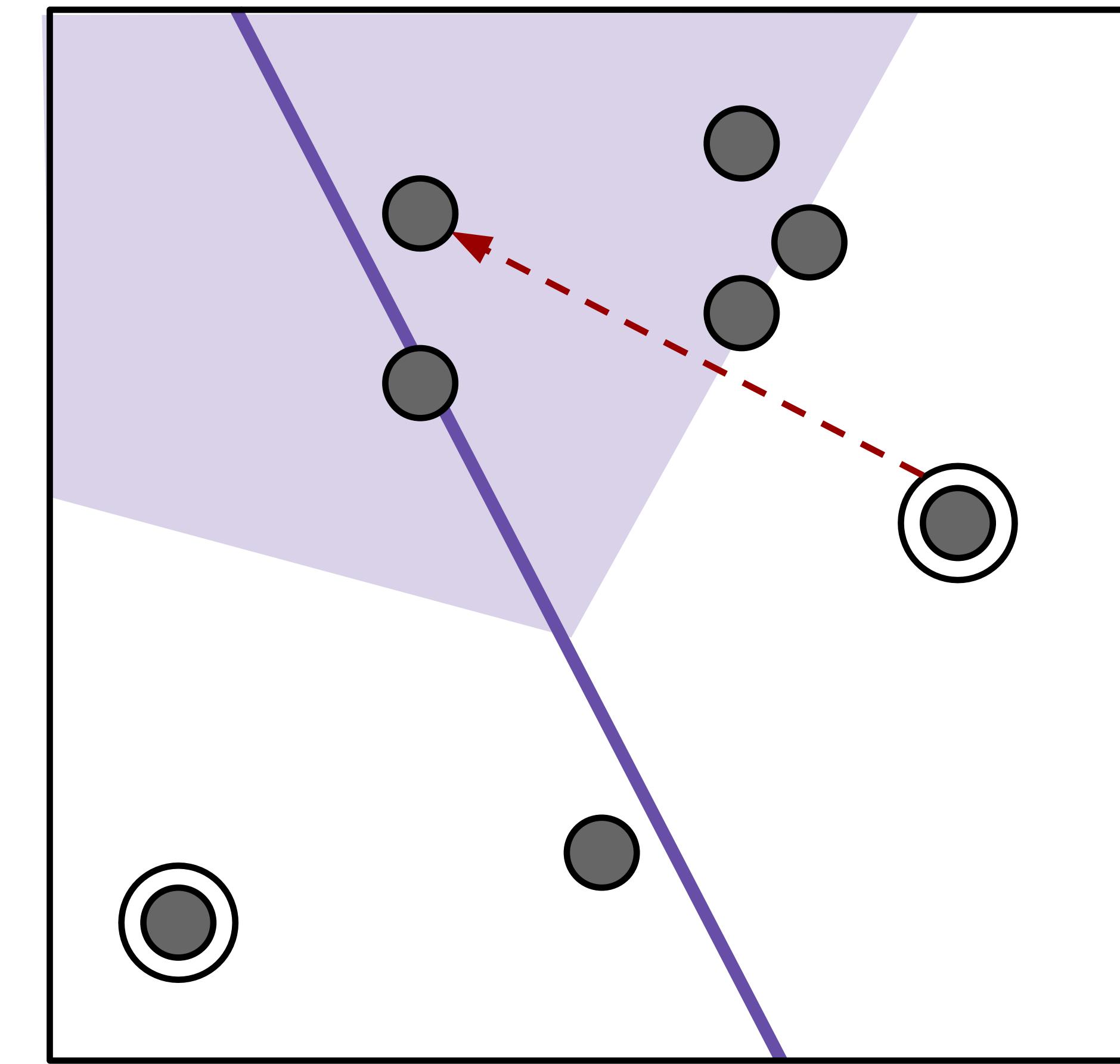
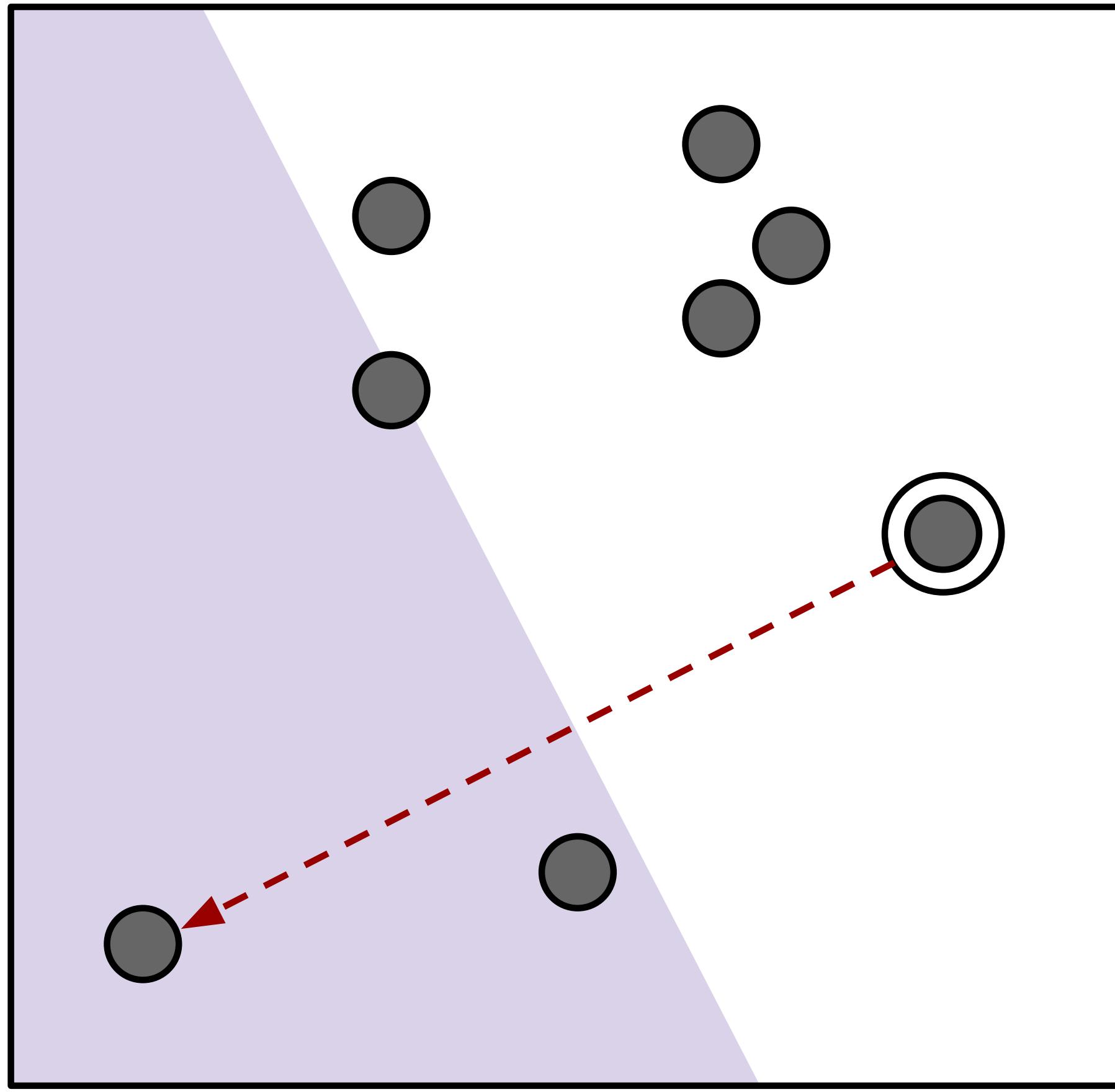
Point location  
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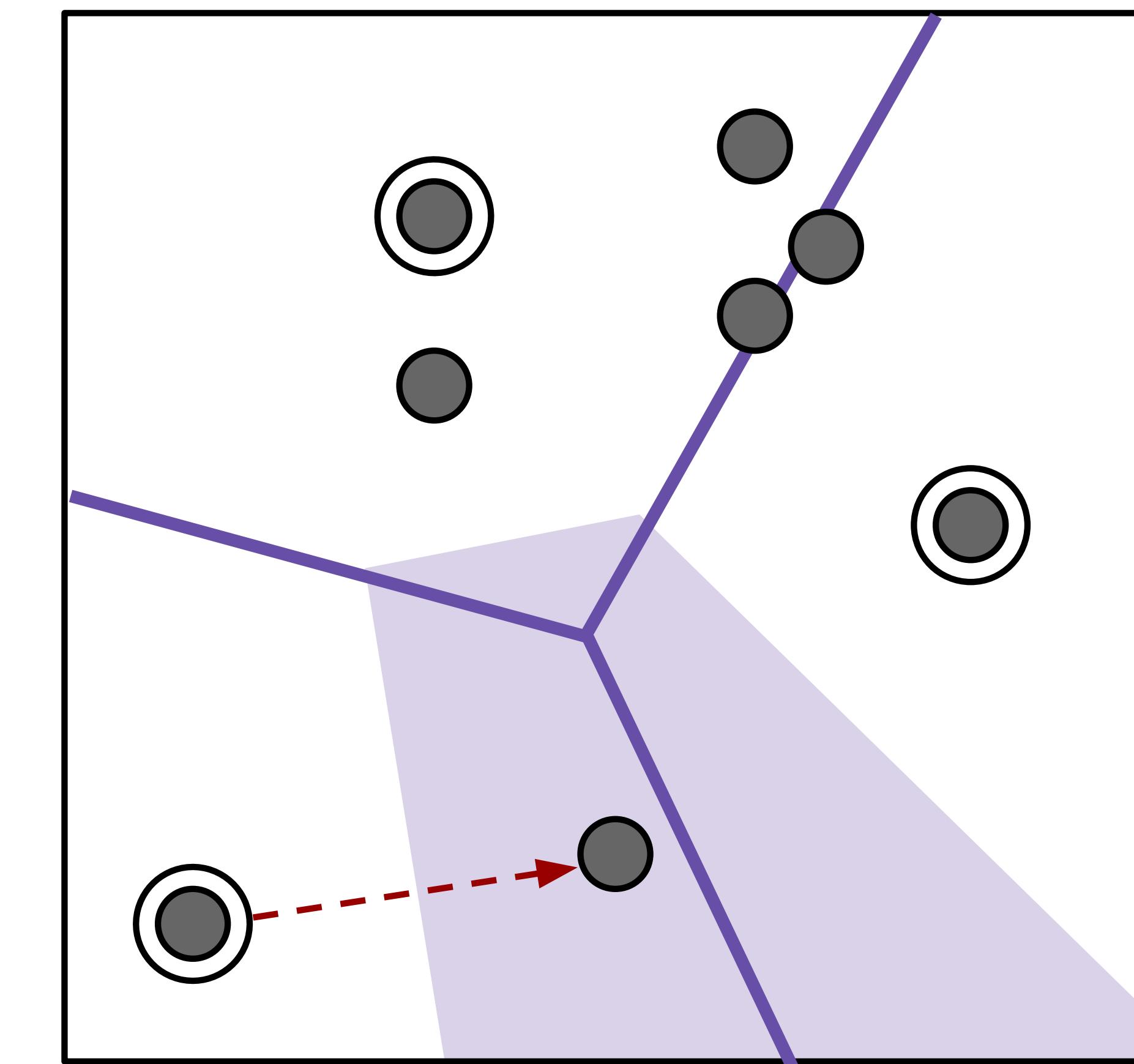
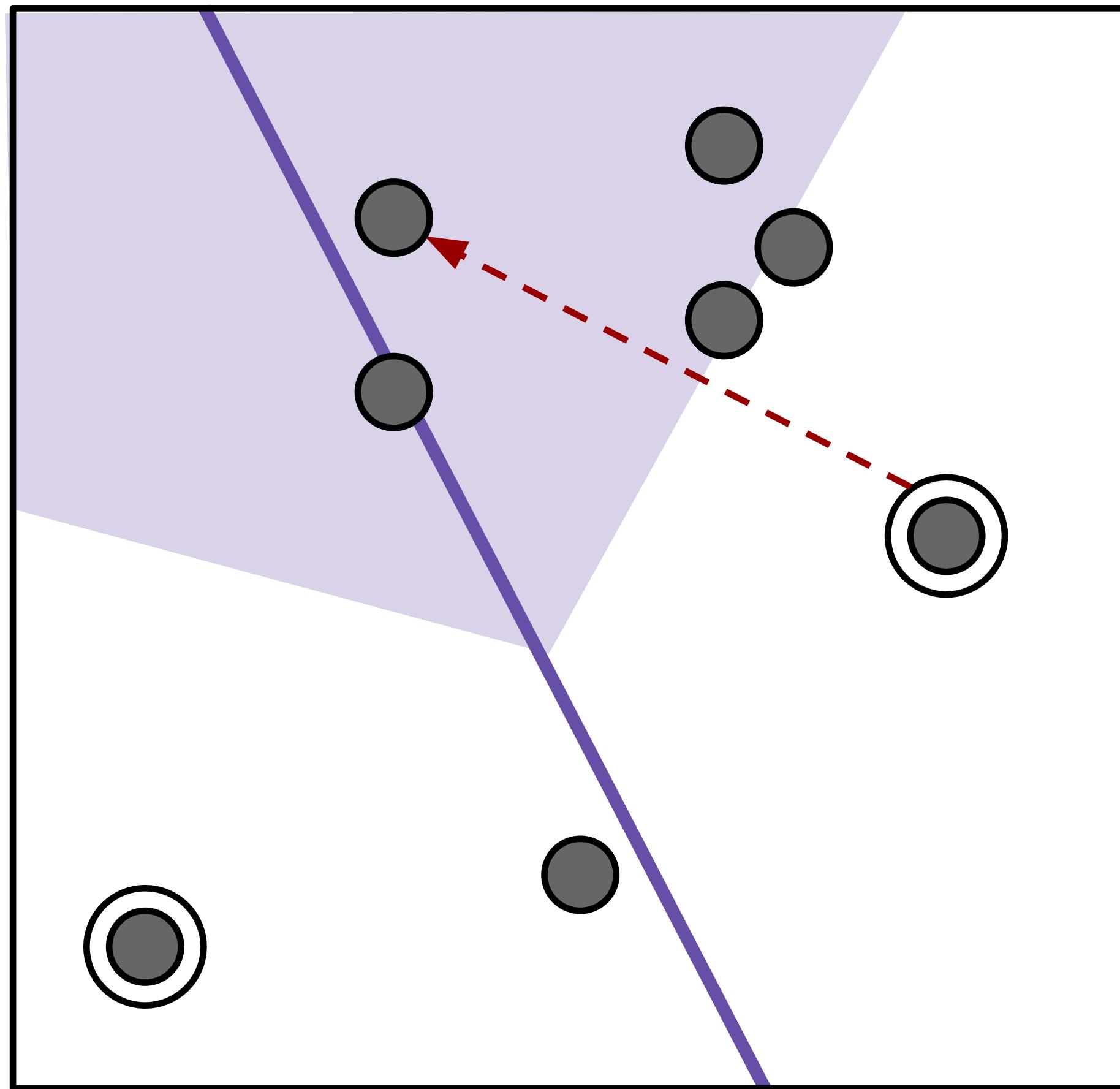
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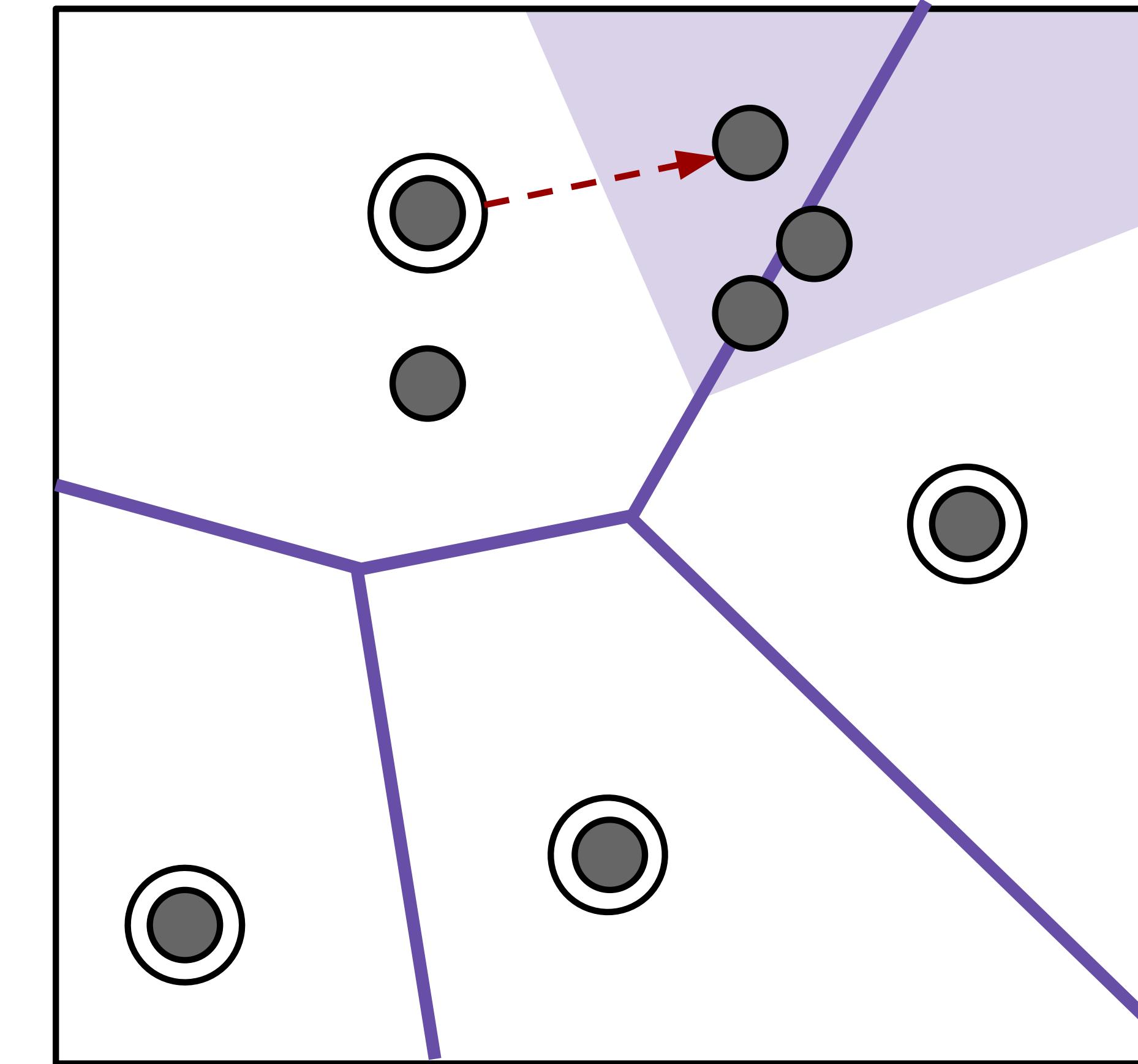
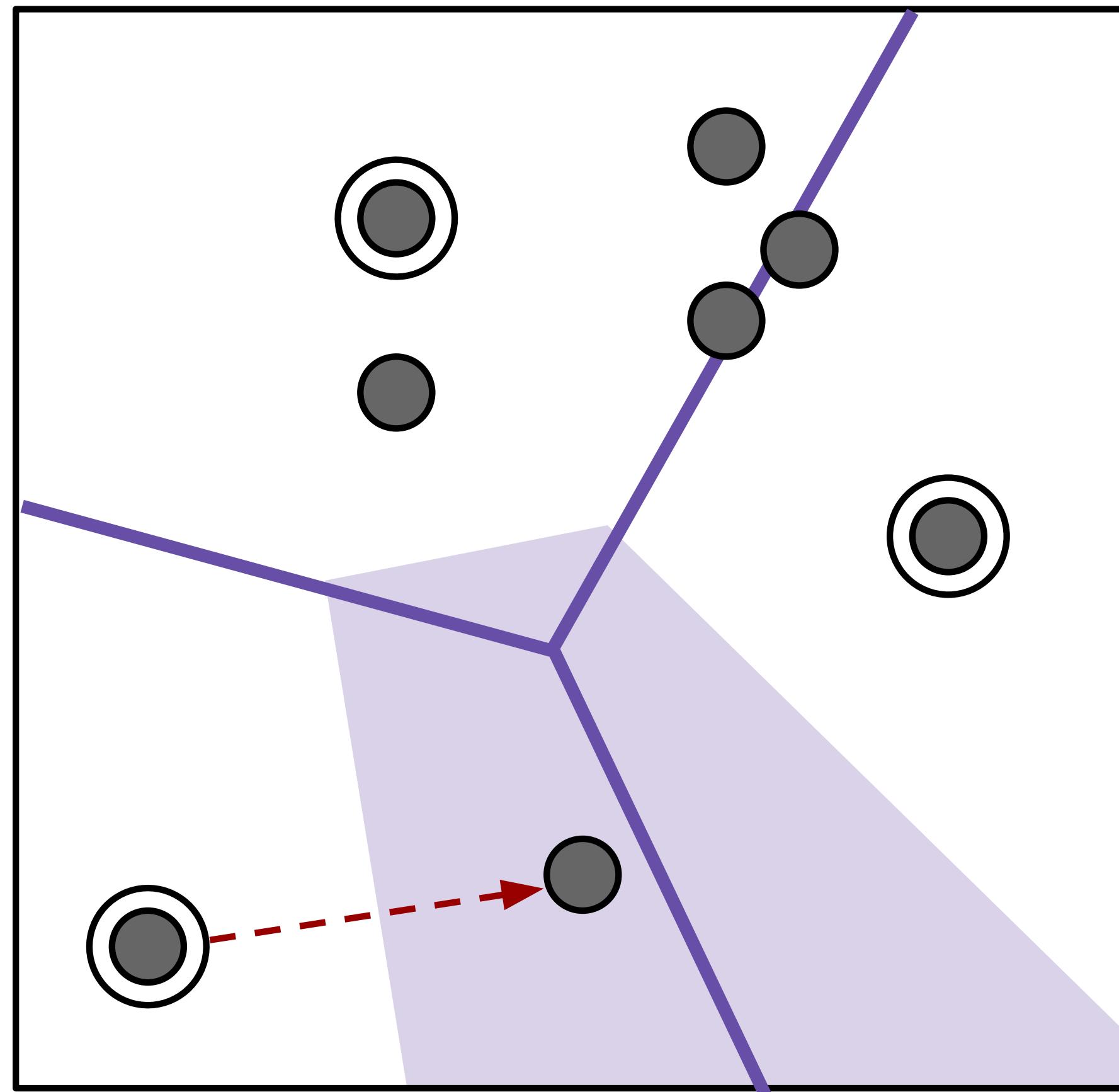
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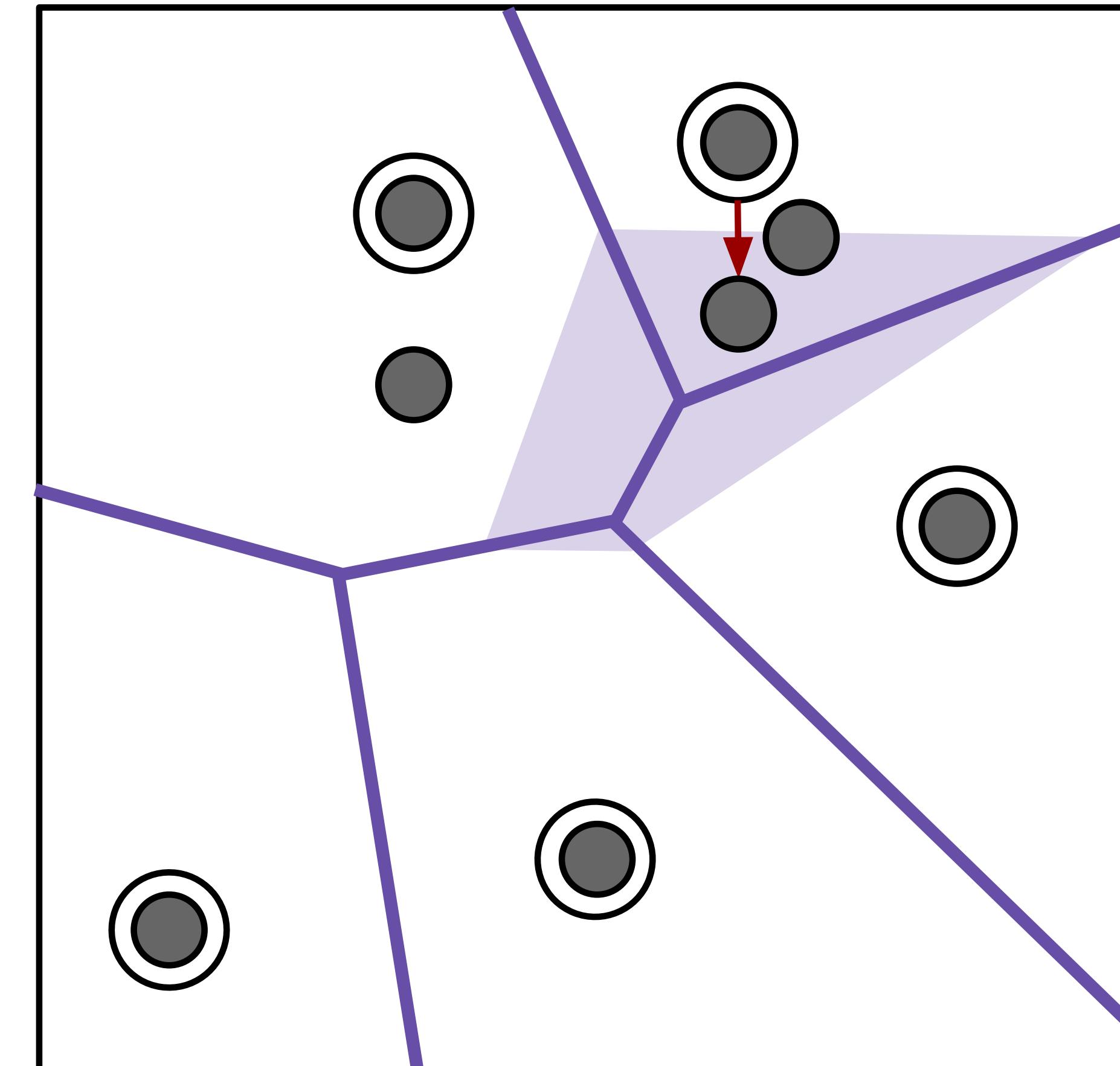
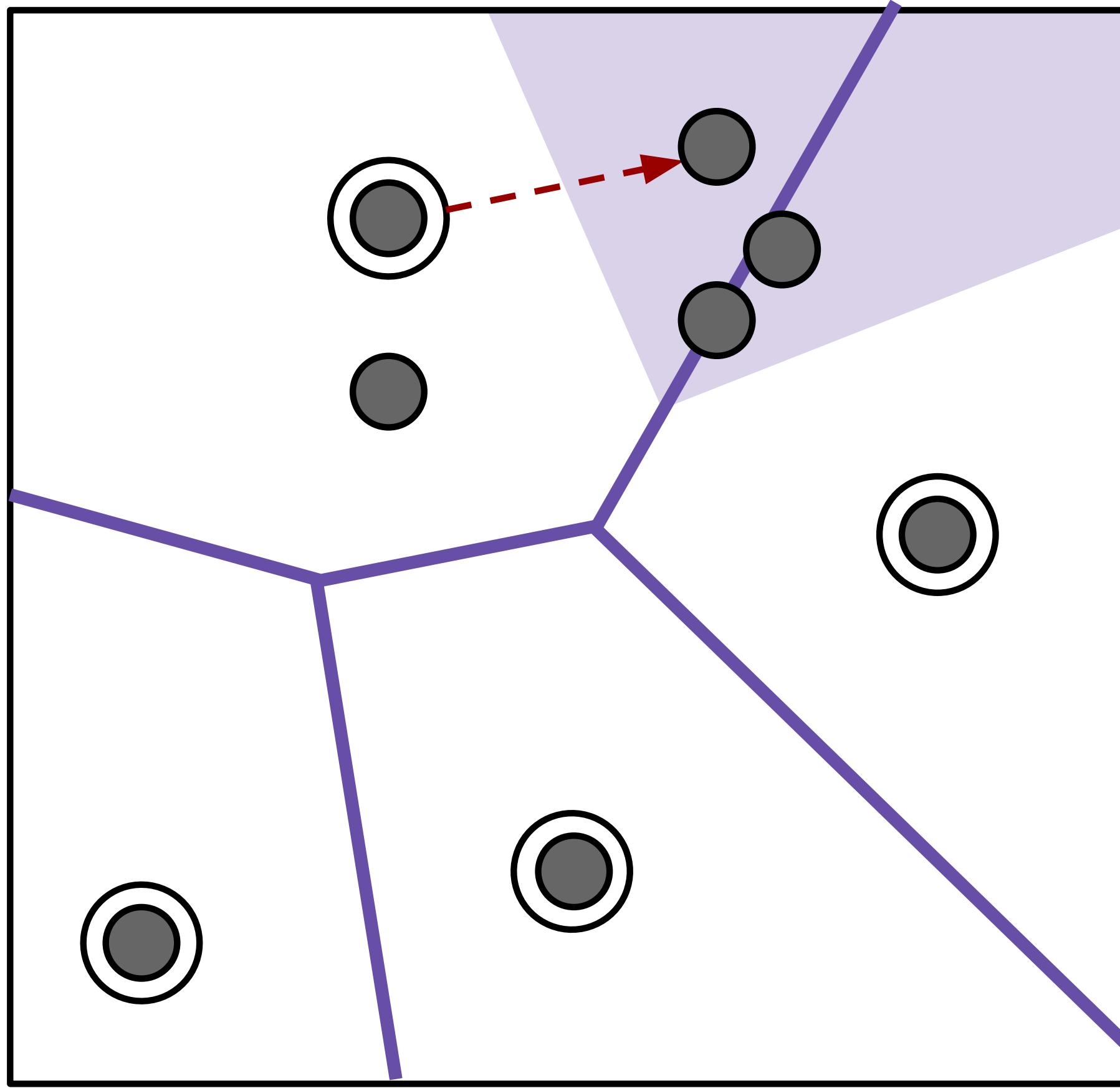
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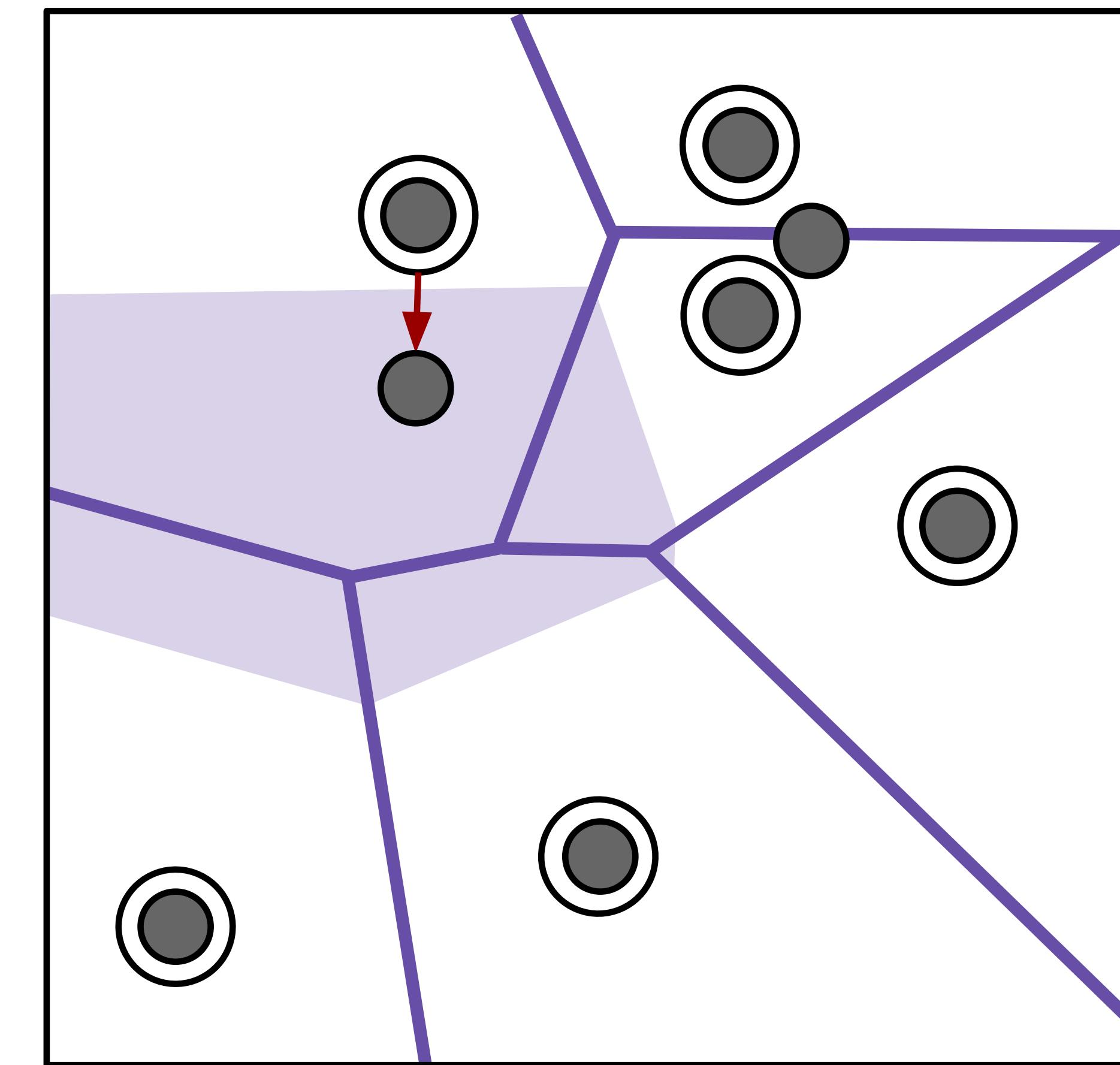
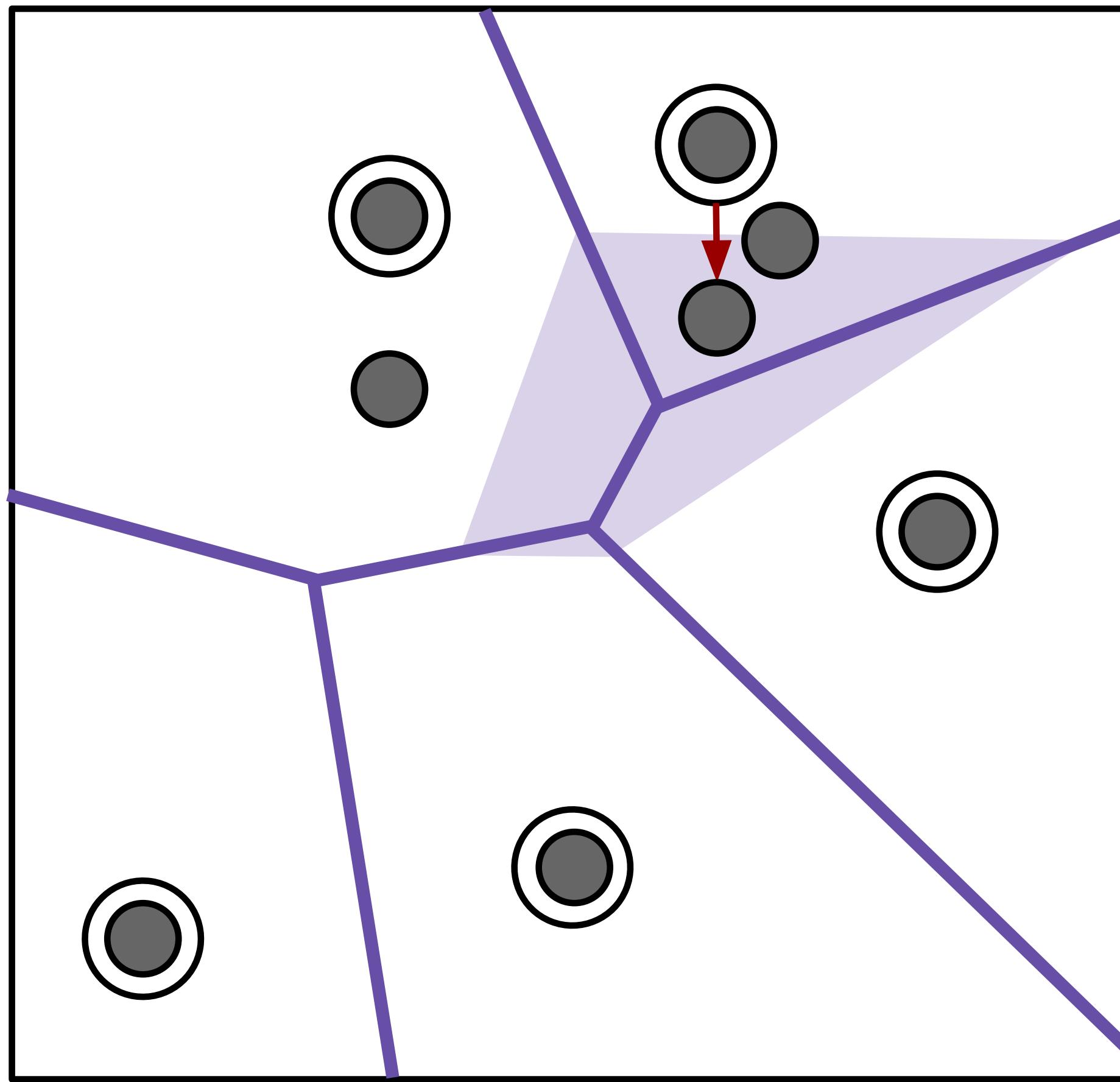
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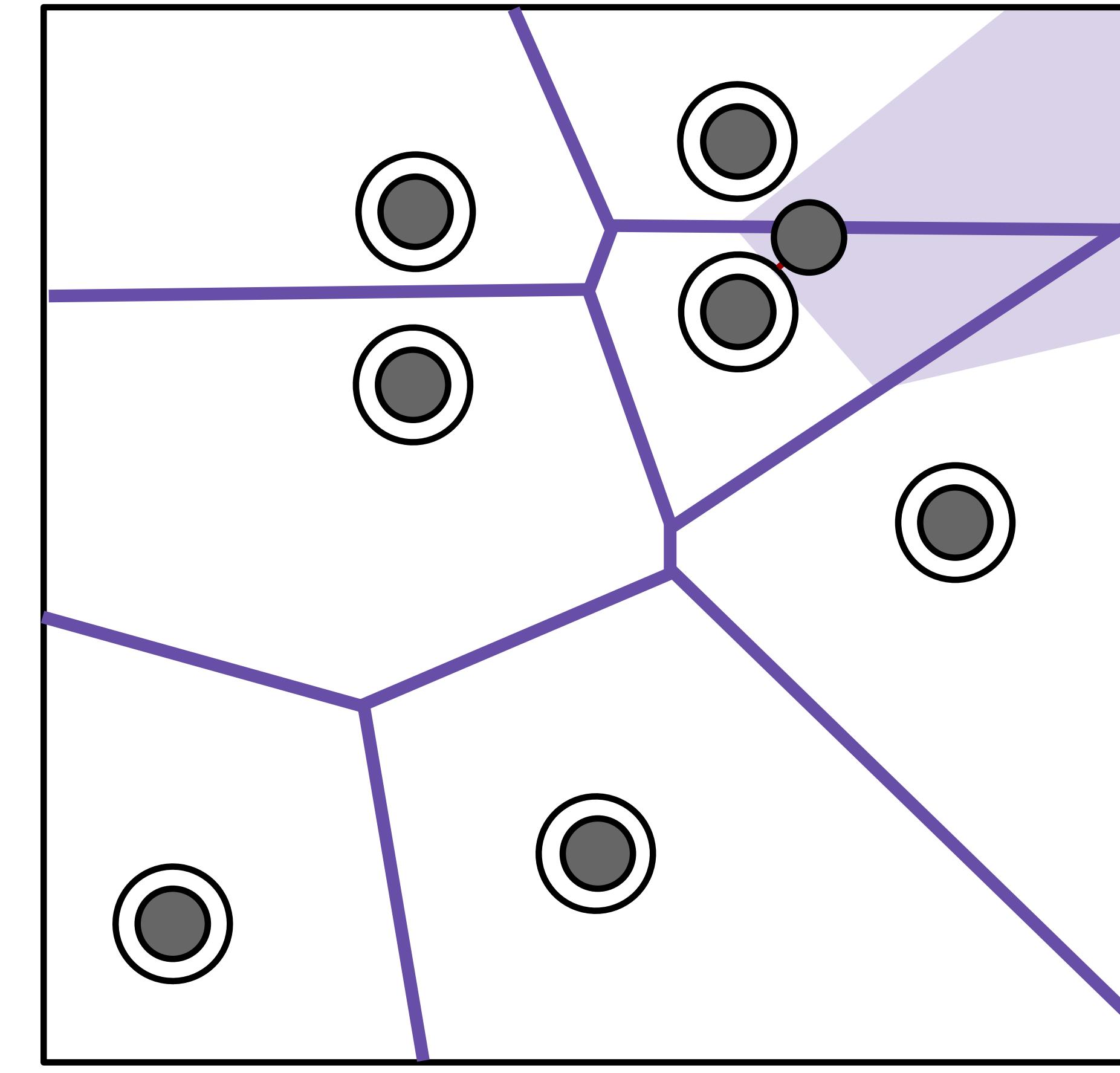
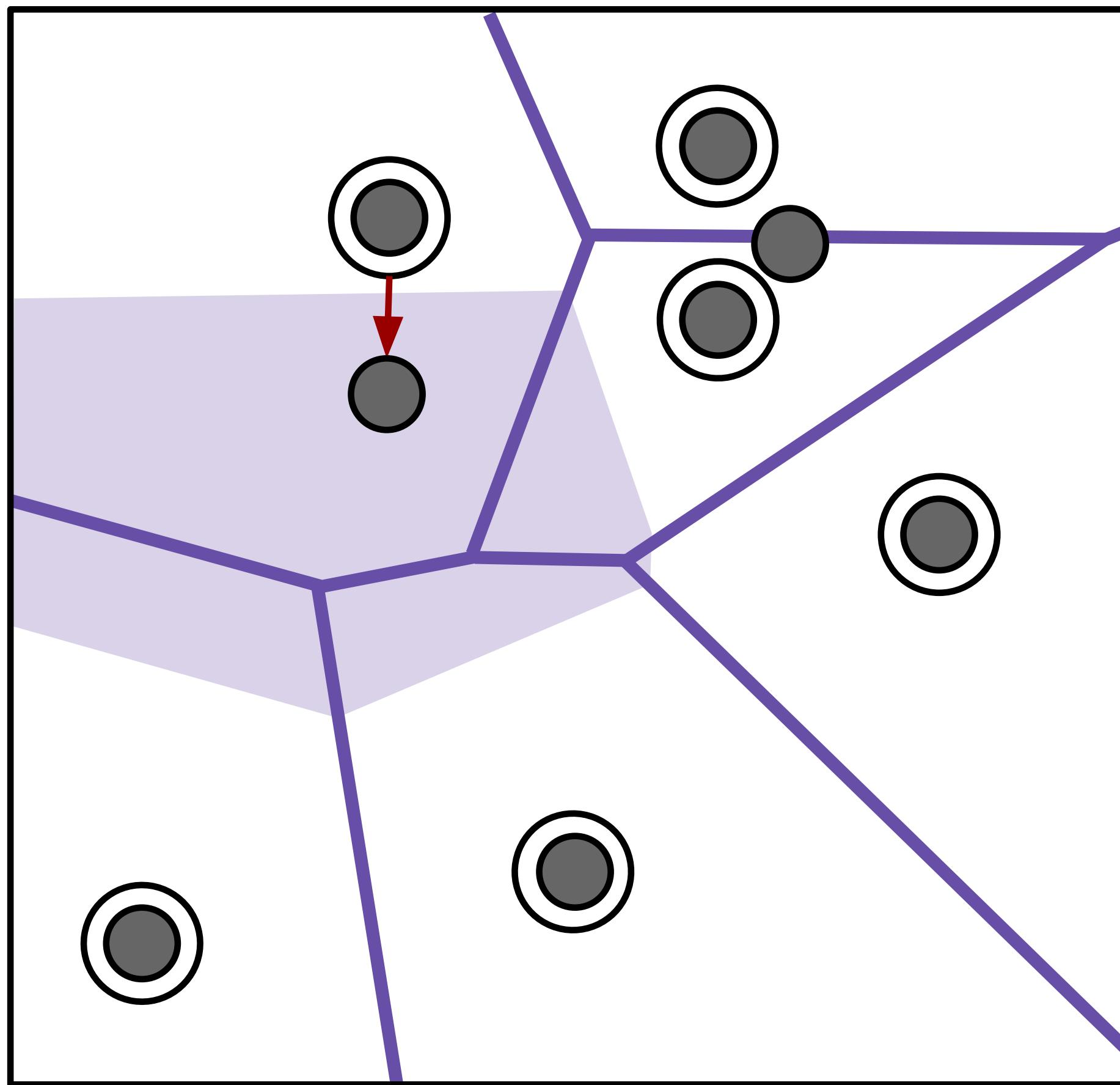
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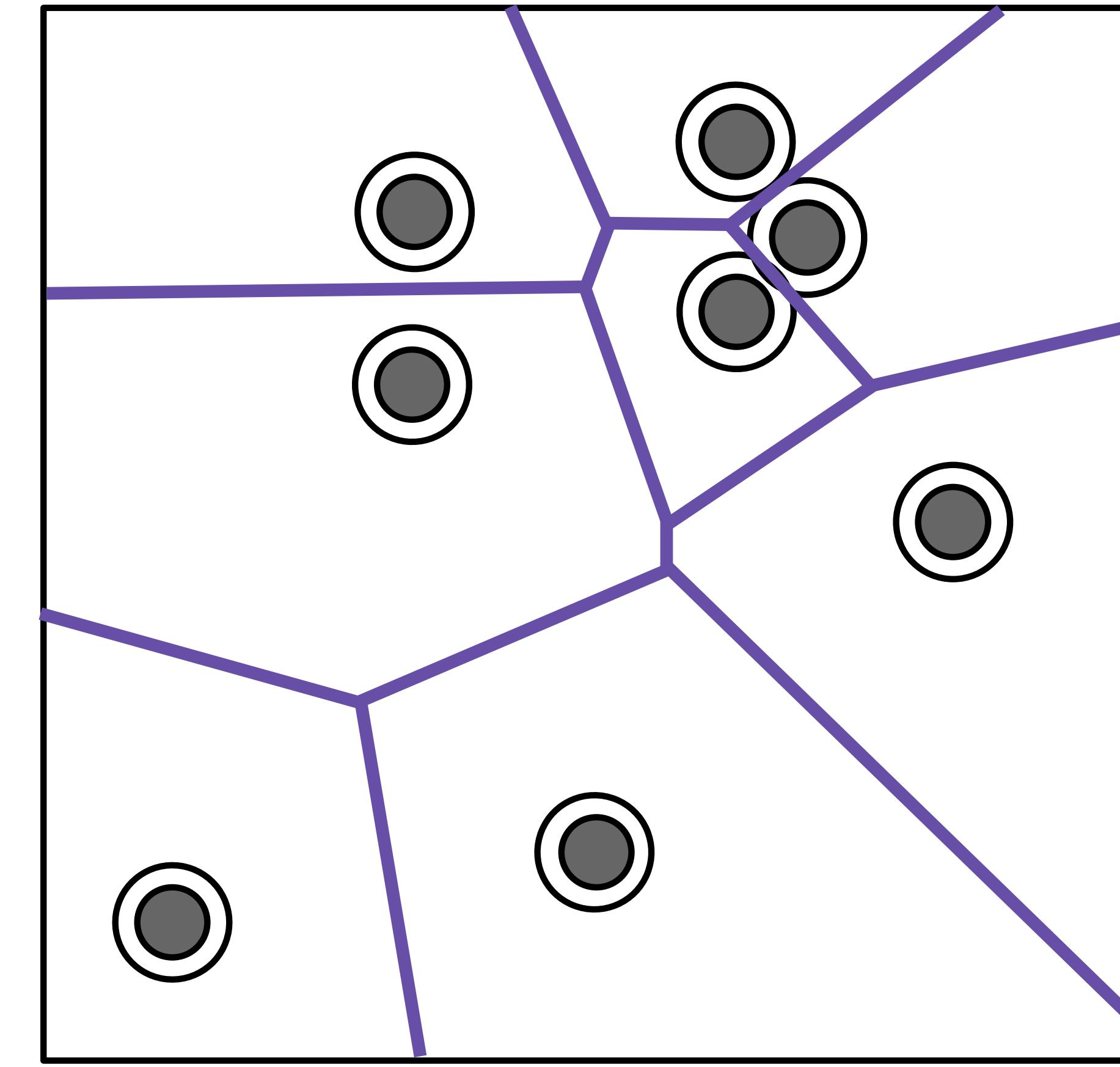
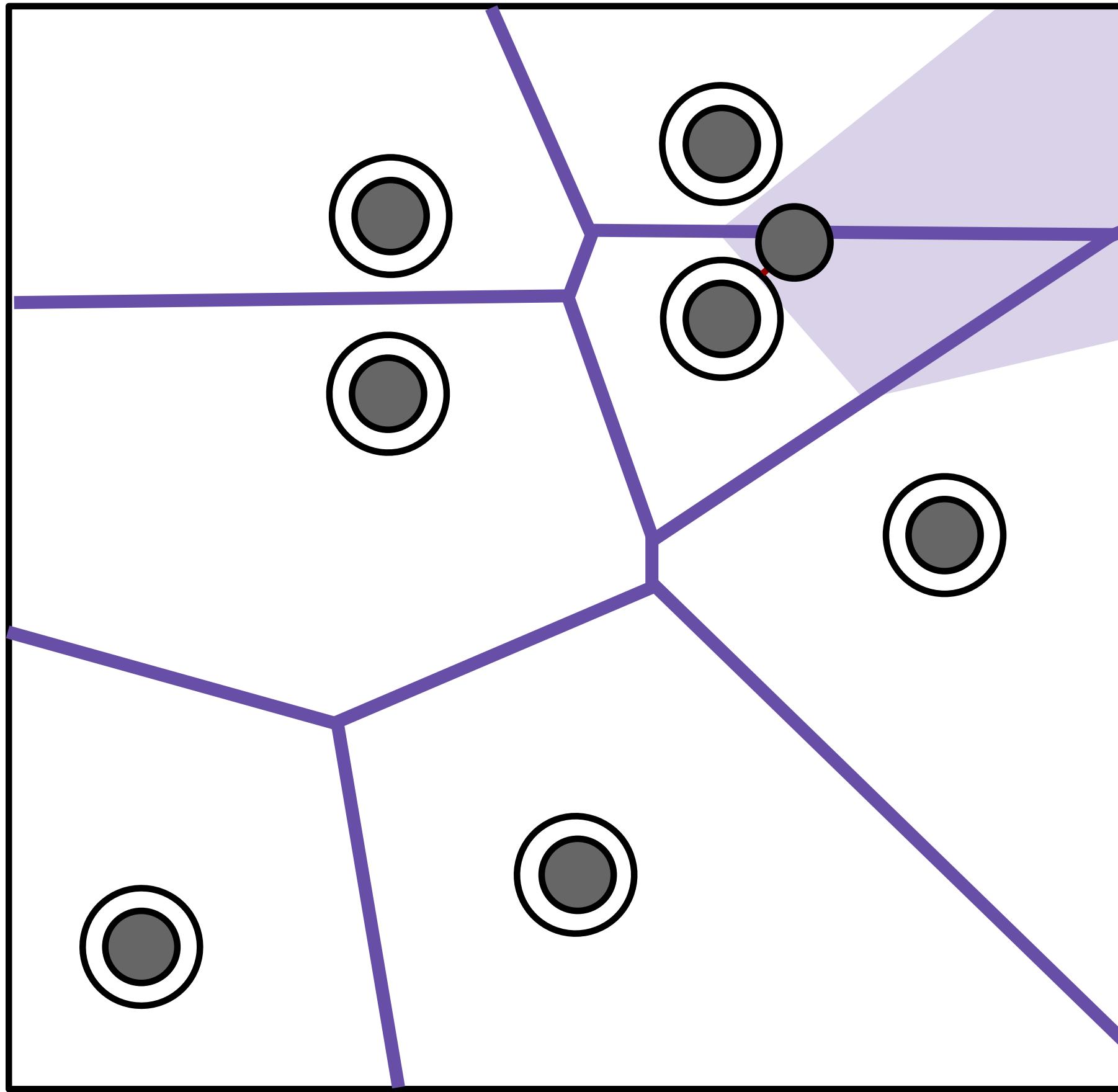
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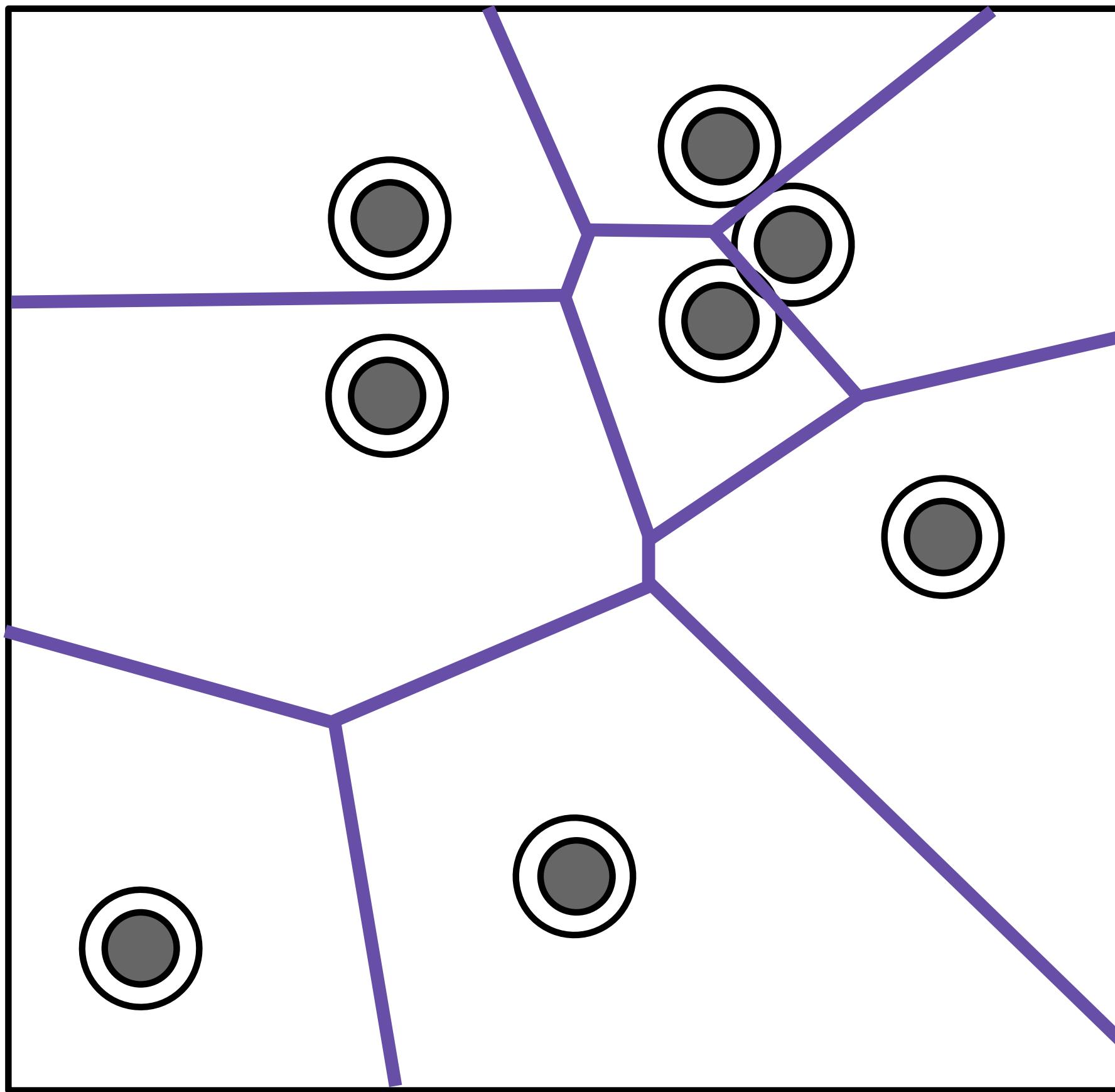
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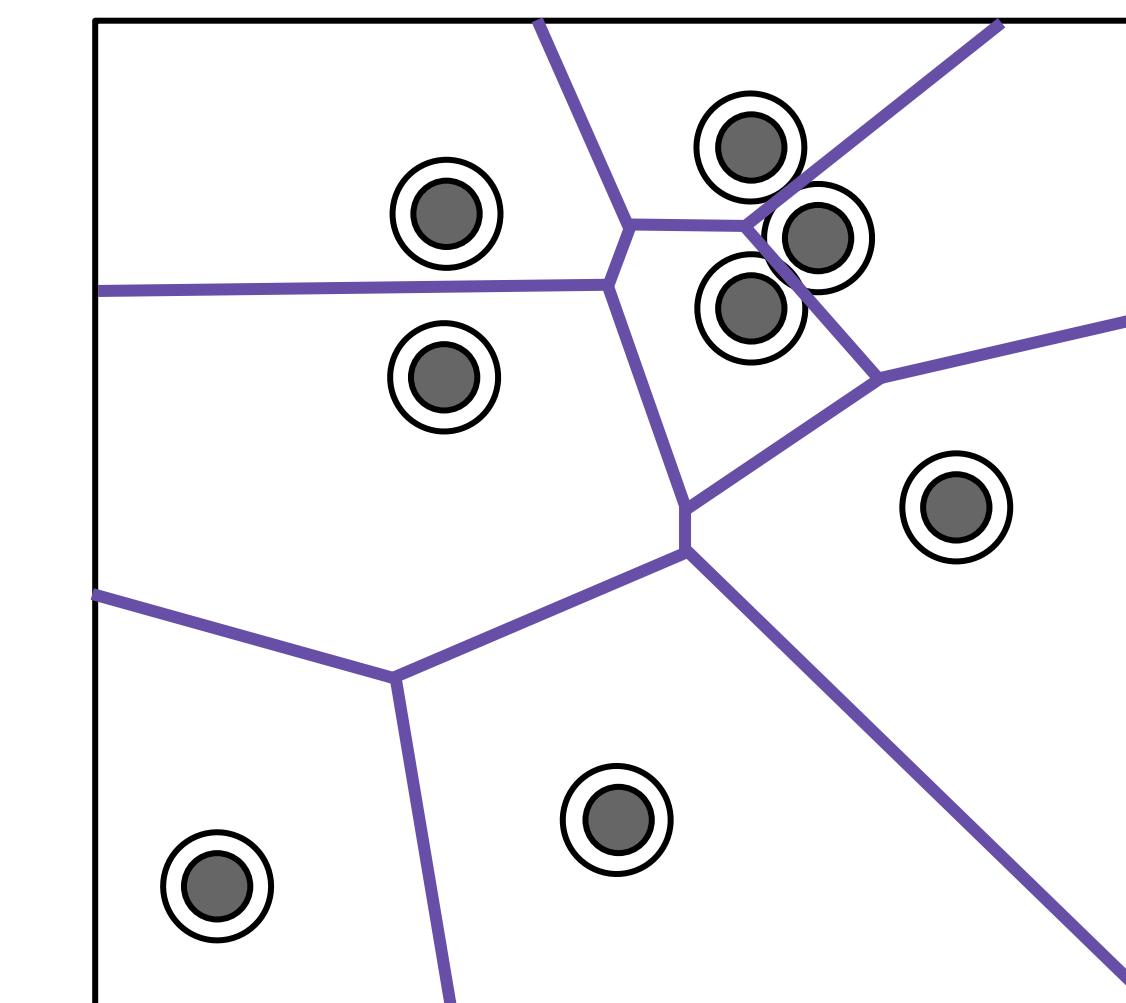
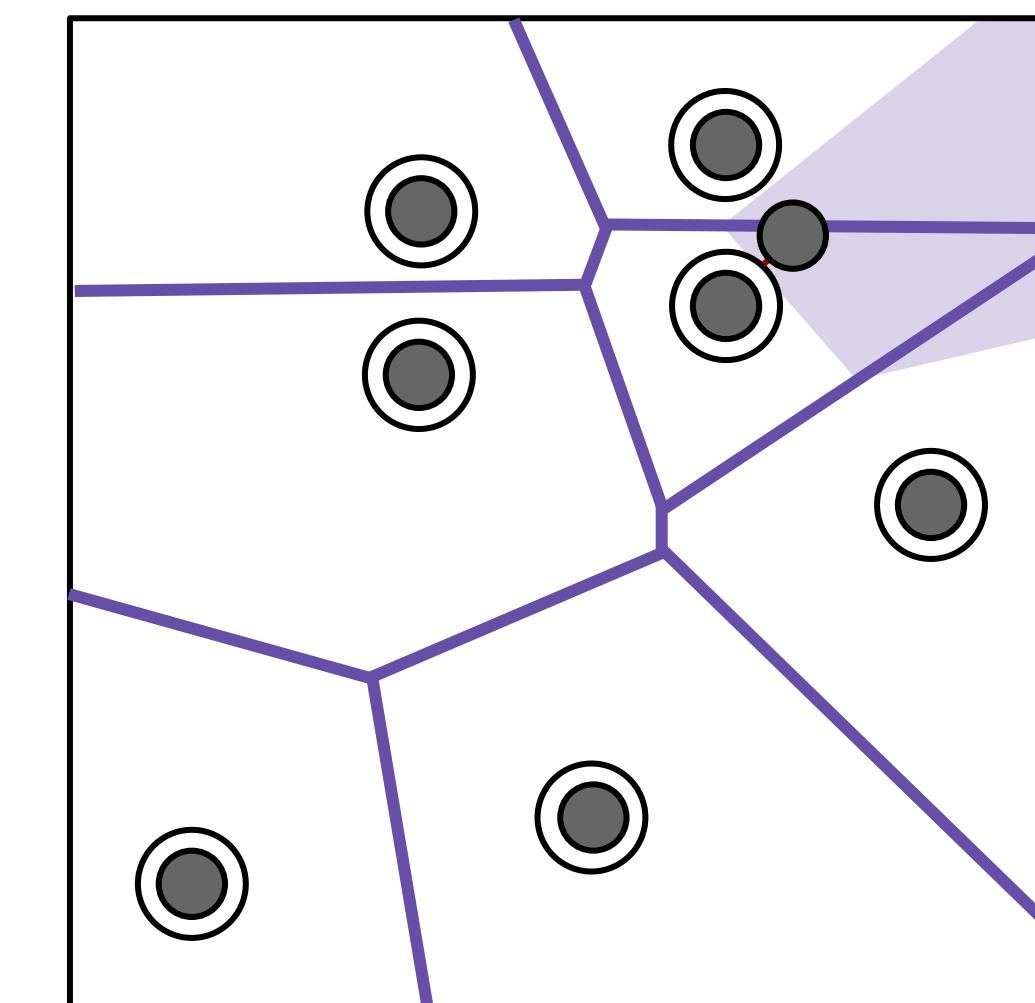
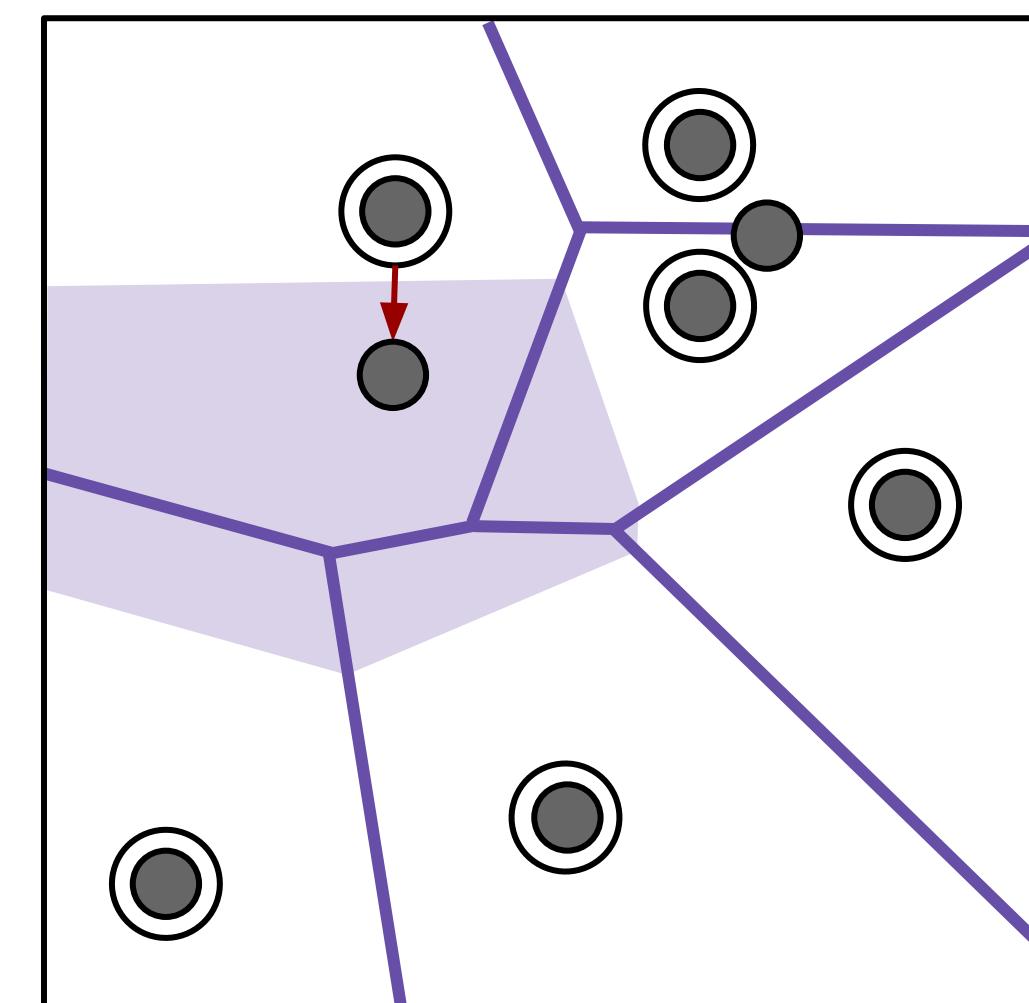
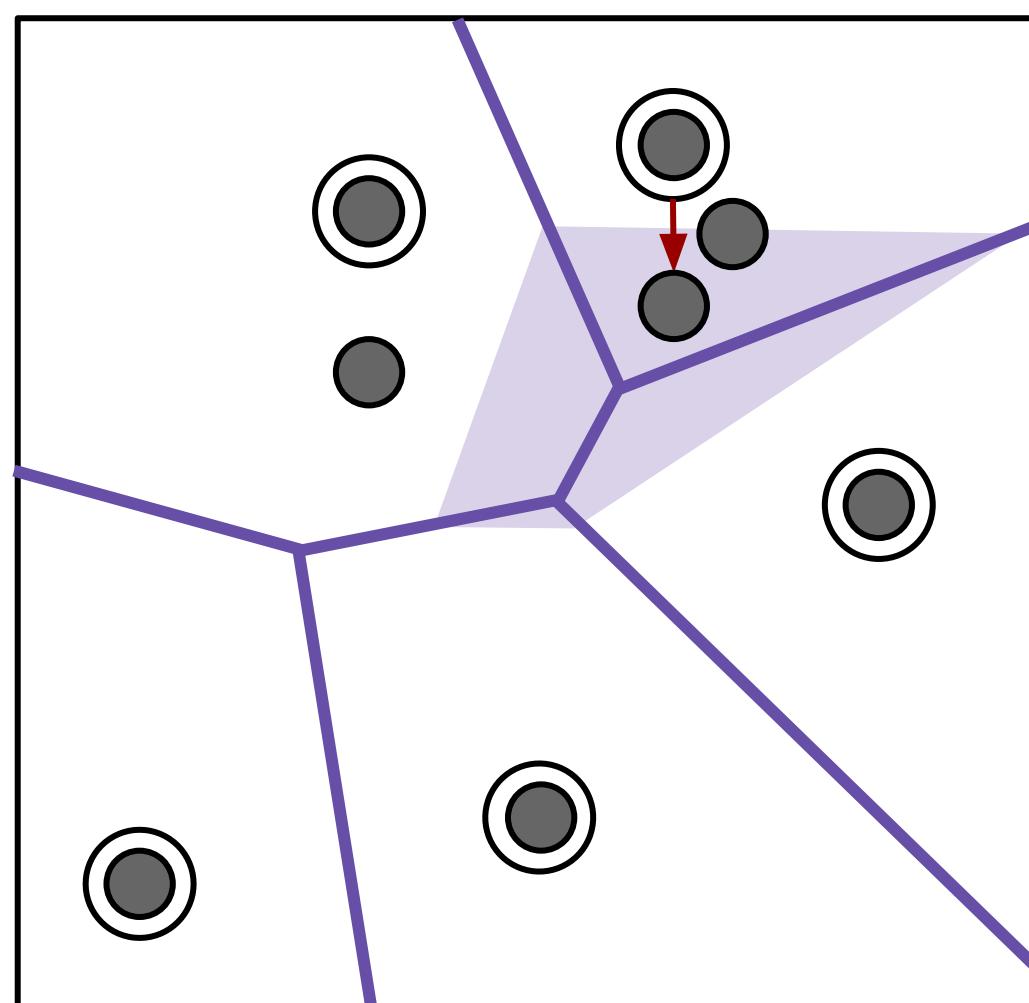
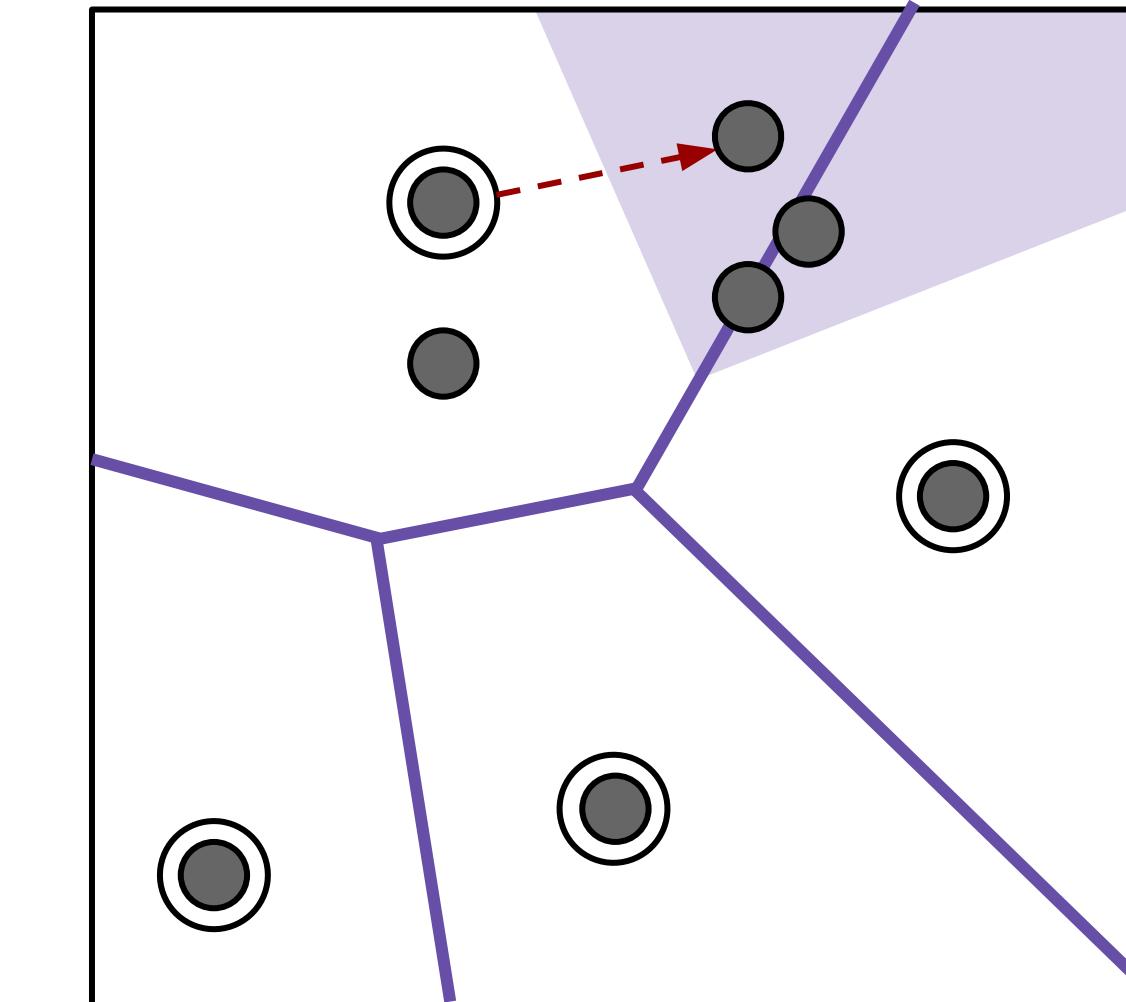
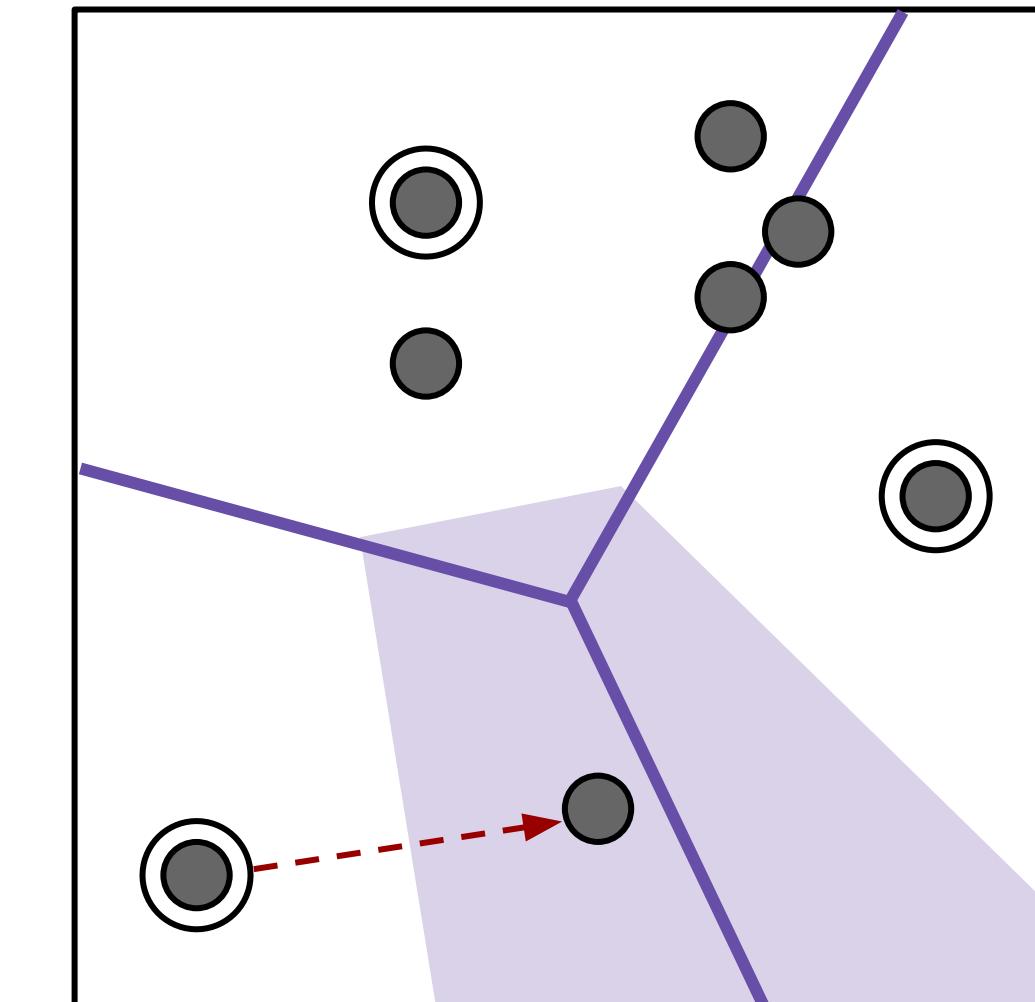
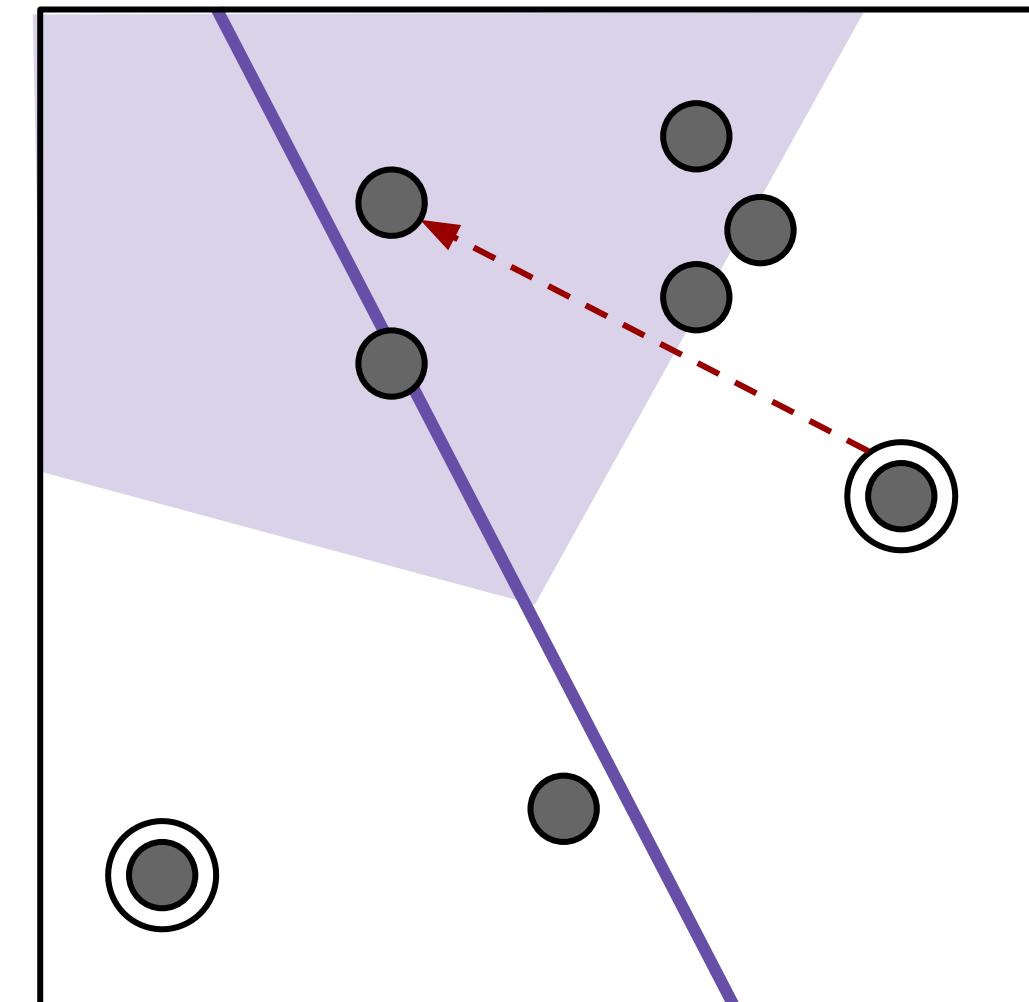
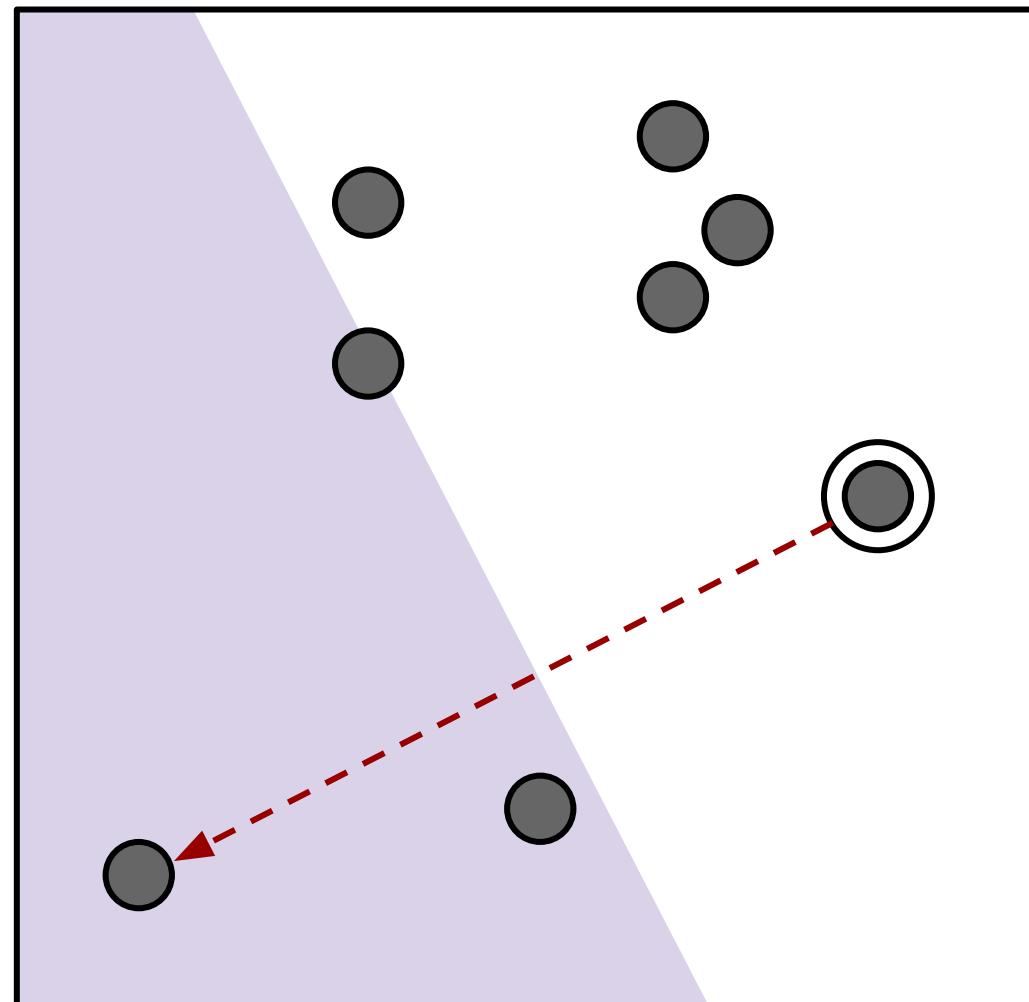


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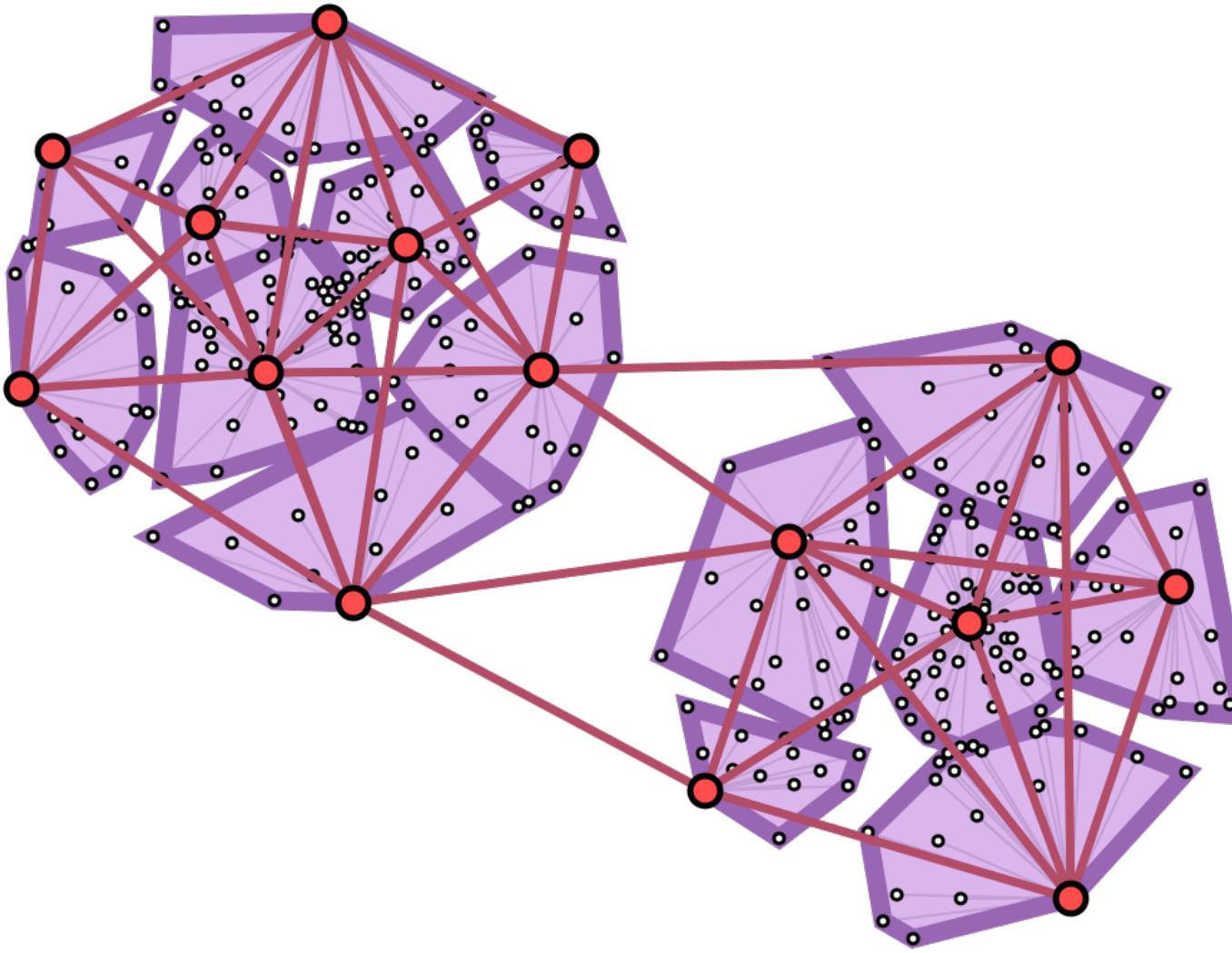
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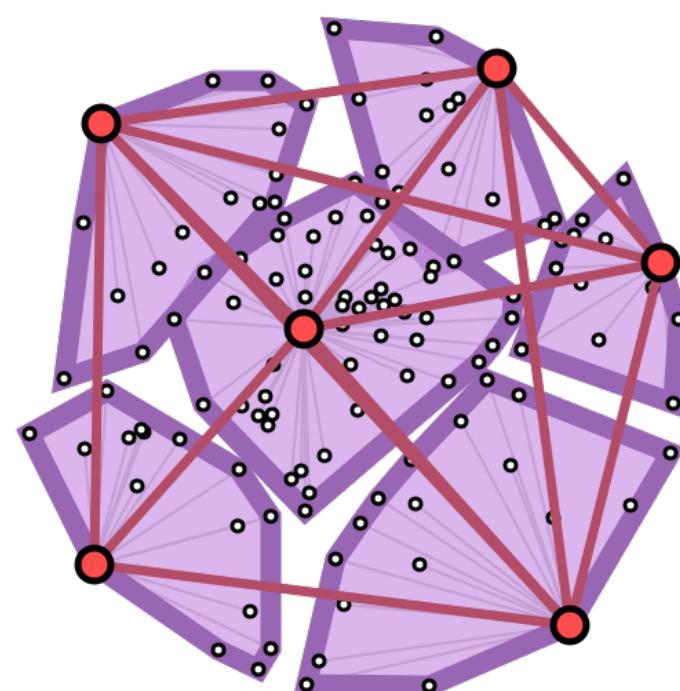
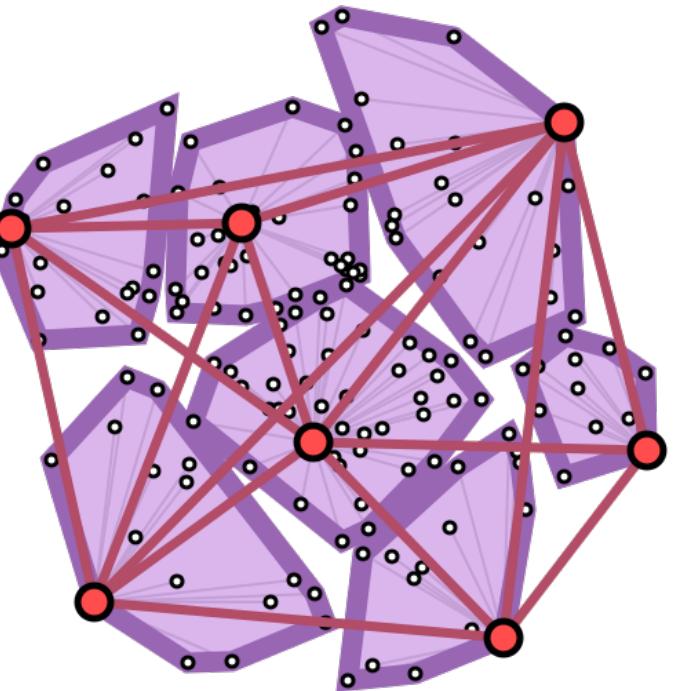
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- In Clarkson's sb data structure, “close enough” information is stored as edges in a graph.
- Har-Peled and Mendel show that Clarkson's algorithm runs in  $O(n \log \Delta)$ .
  - $\Delta$  is the ratio of the diameter to distance of the closest pair

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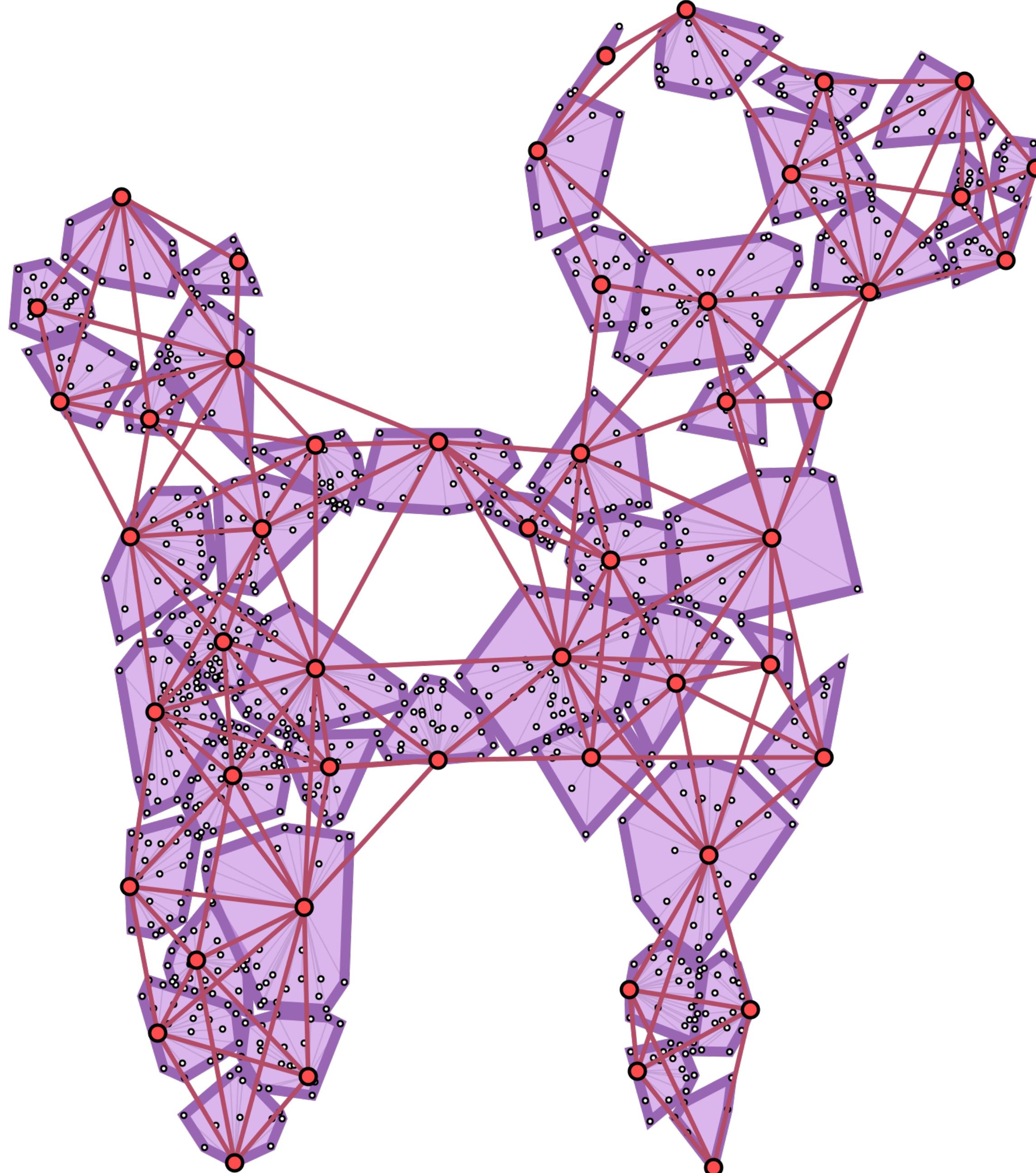


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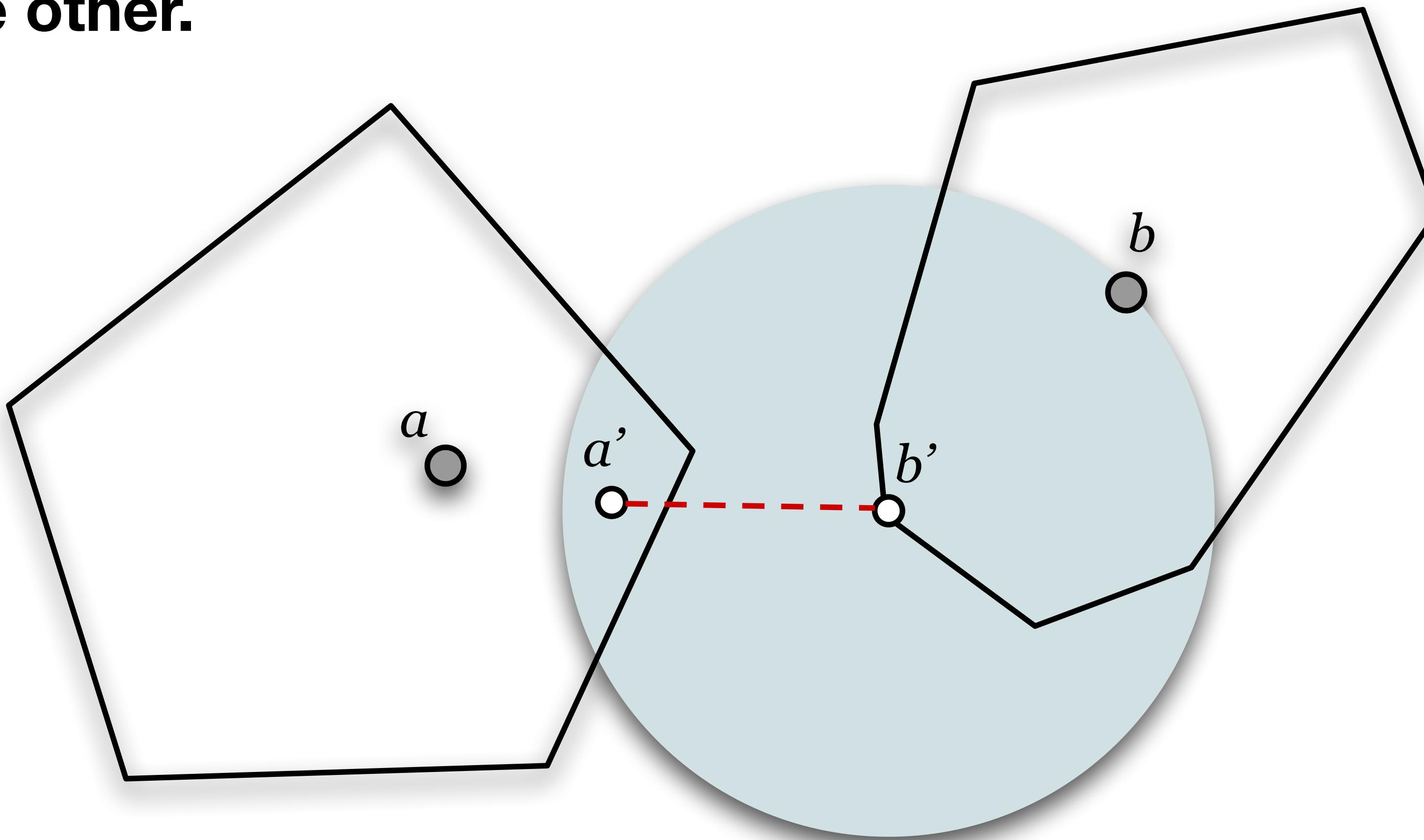
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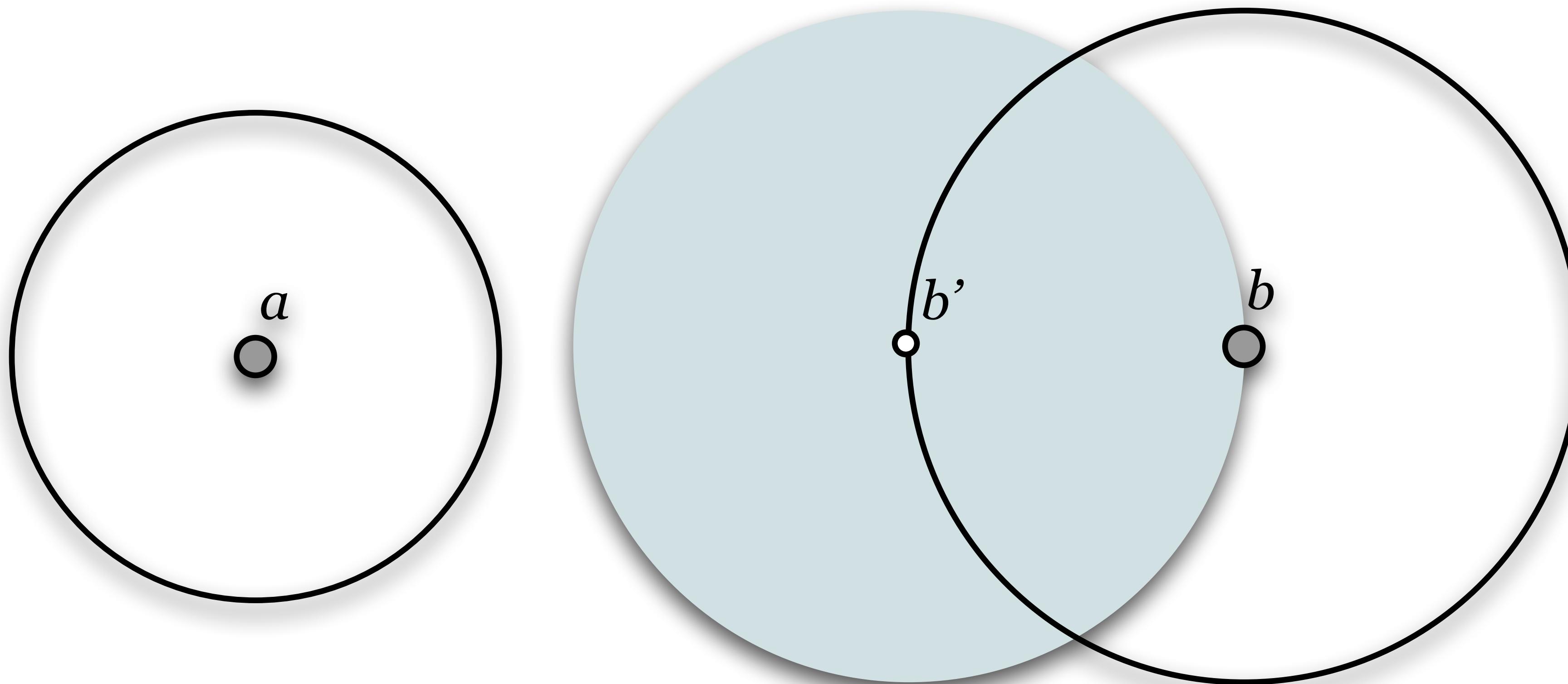
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- Keep an edge if inserting a point from one cell would cause a point to move in the other.



# Pruning Condition

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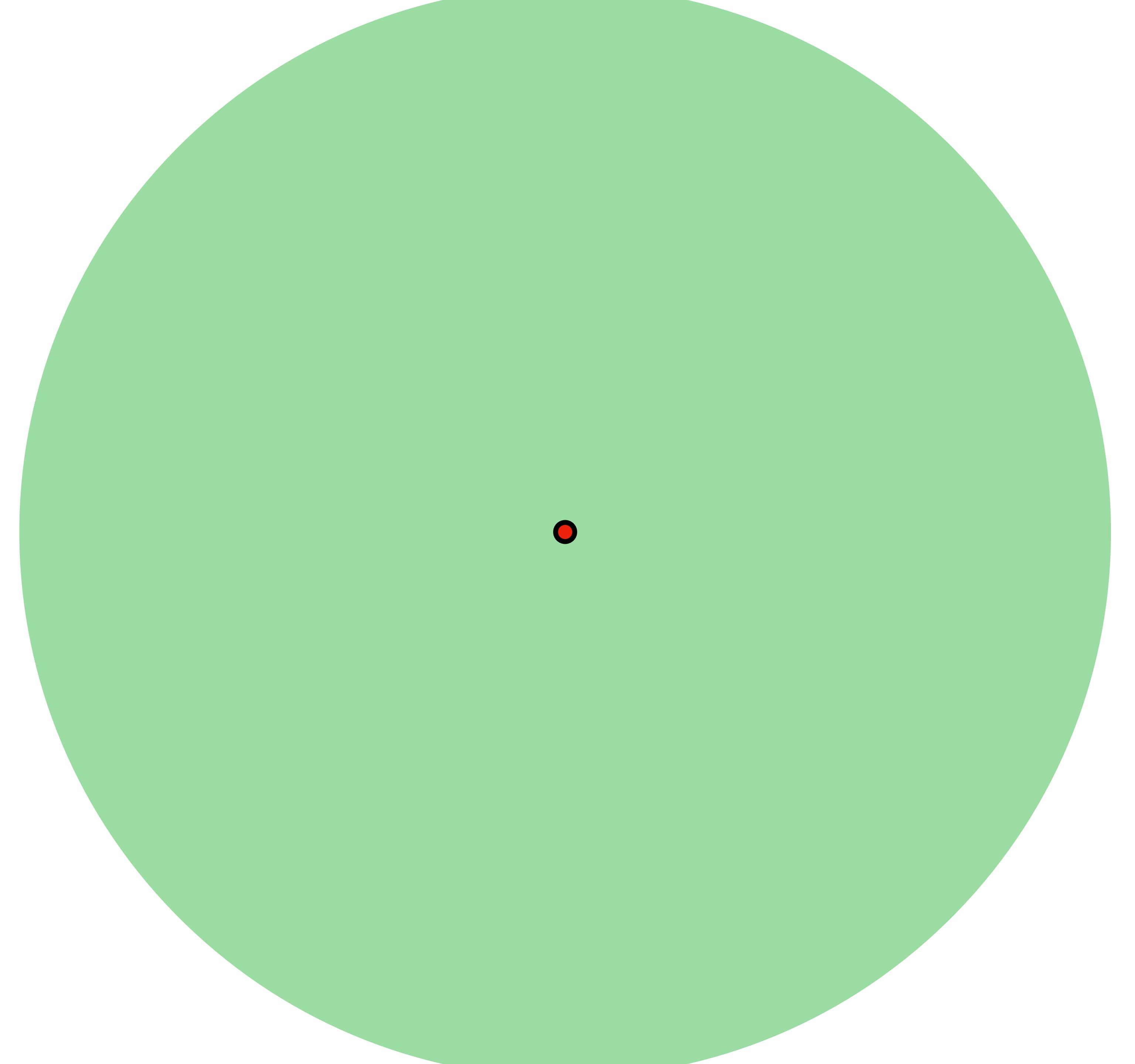
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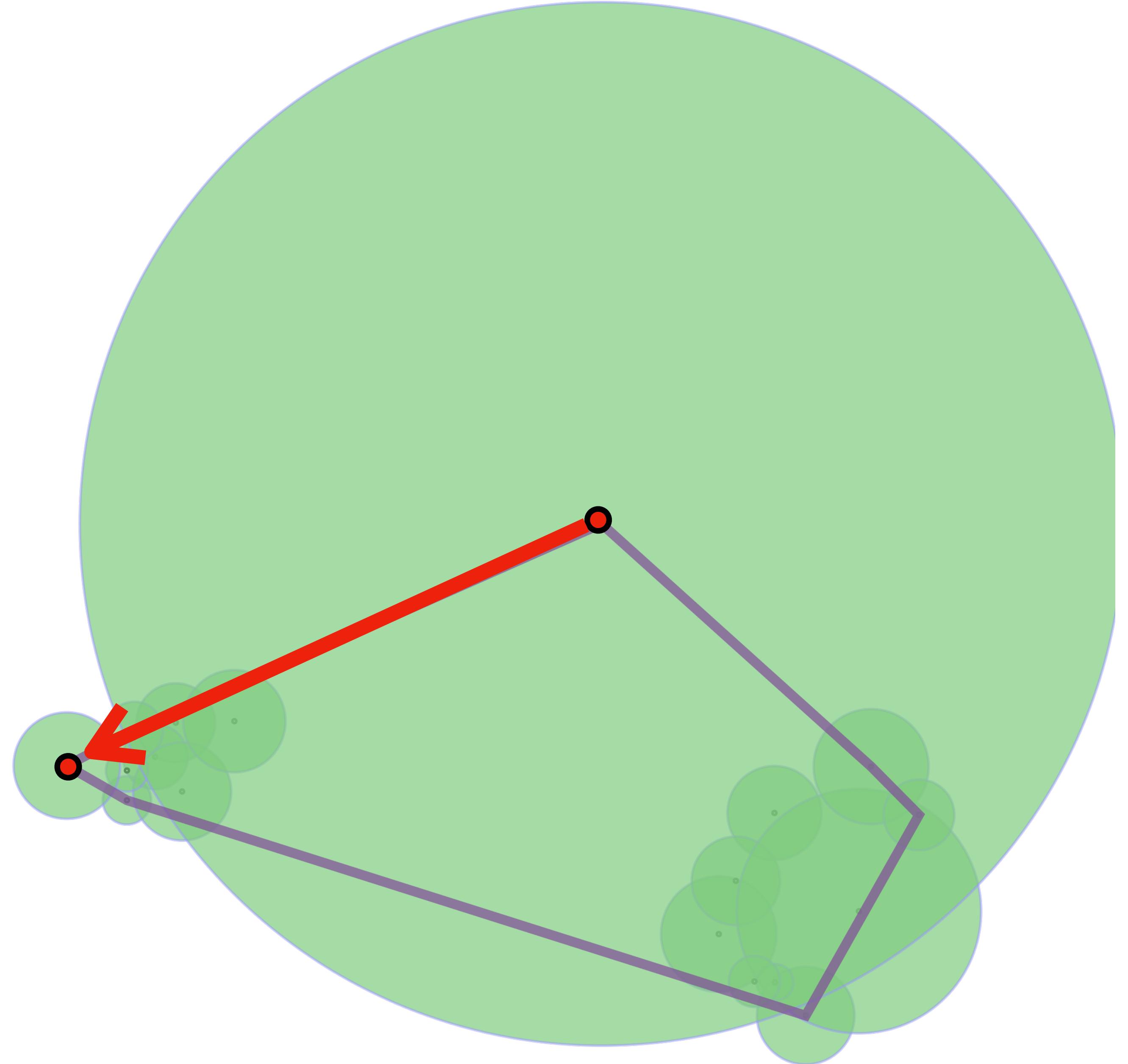
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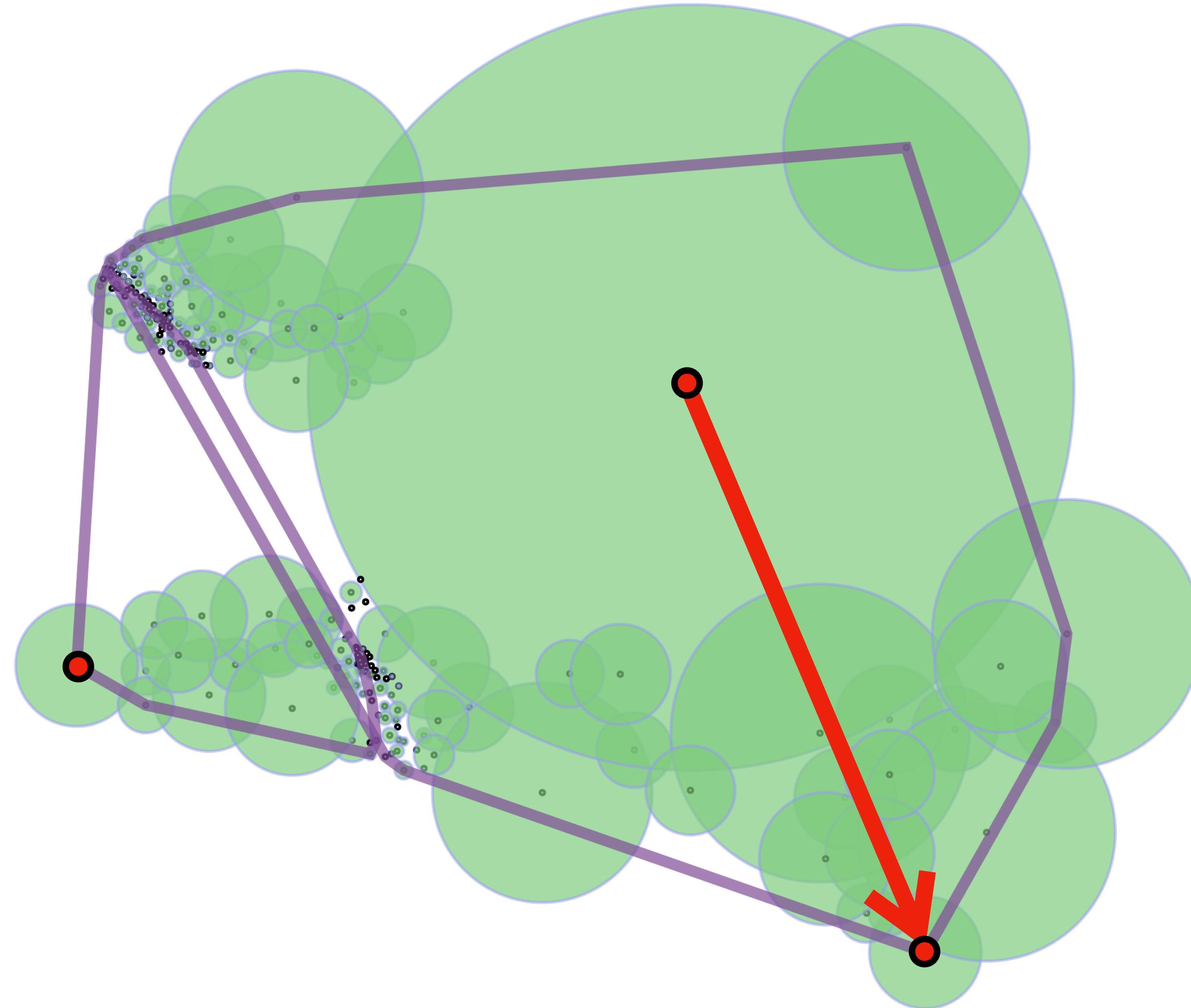
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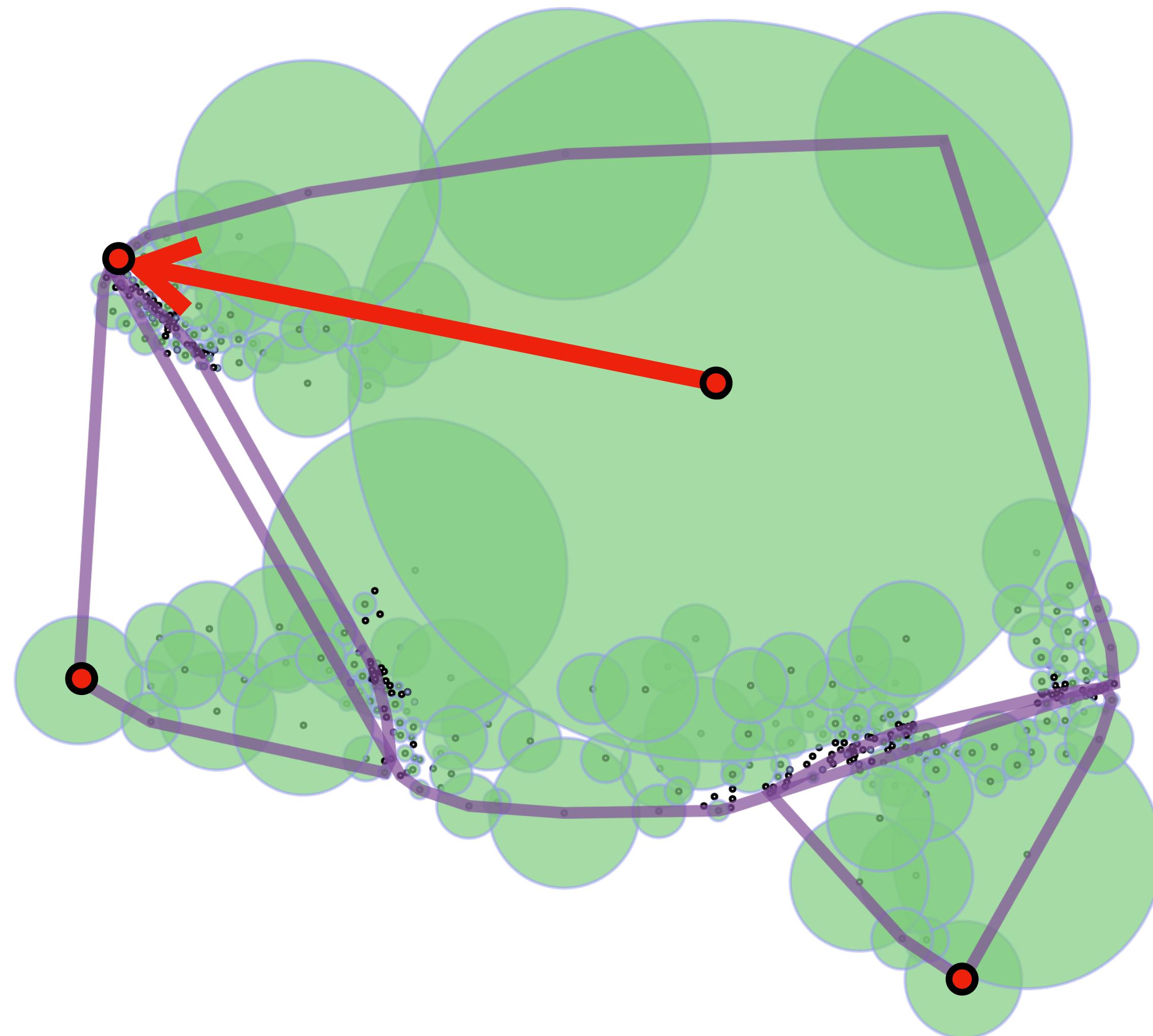
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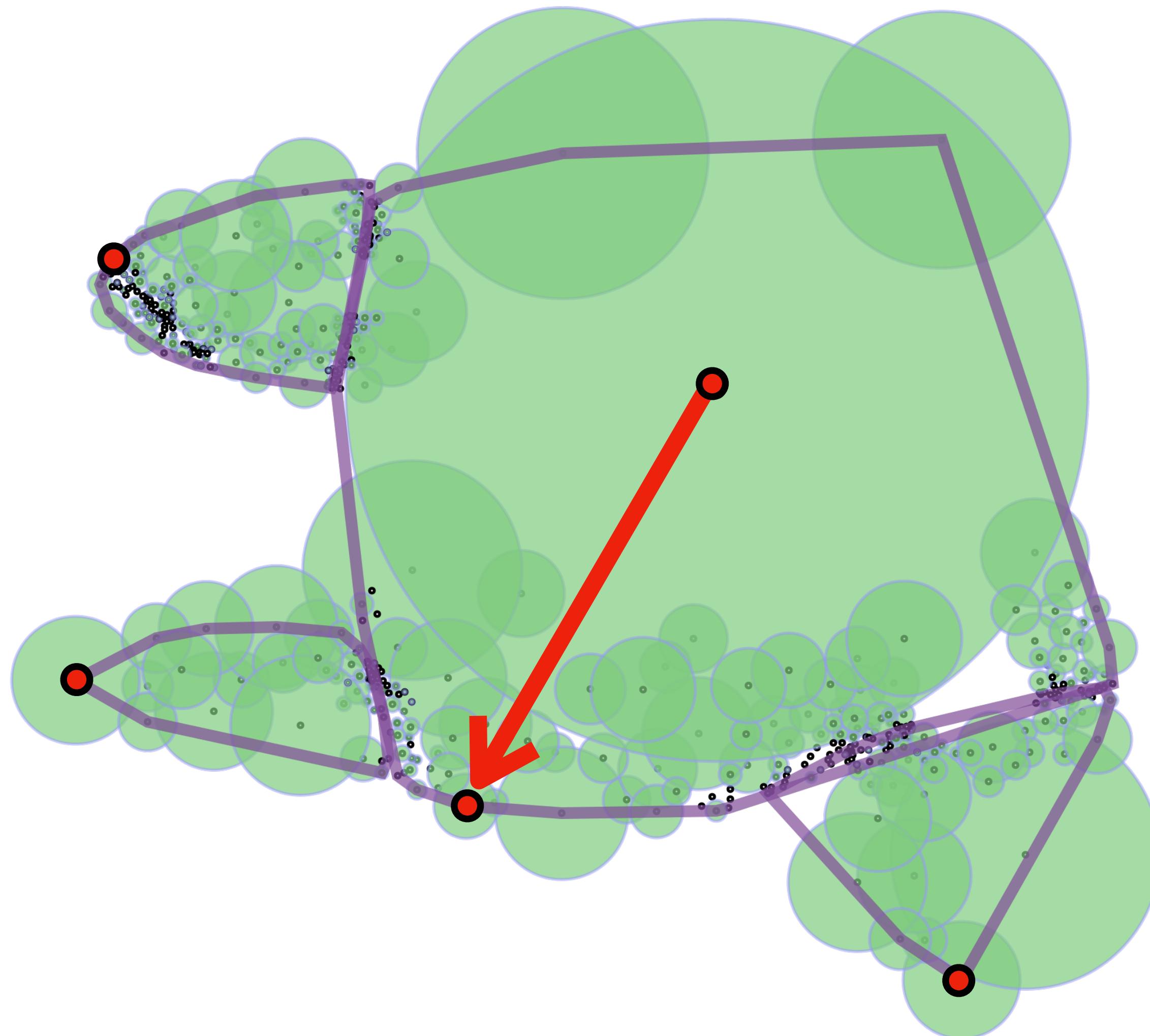
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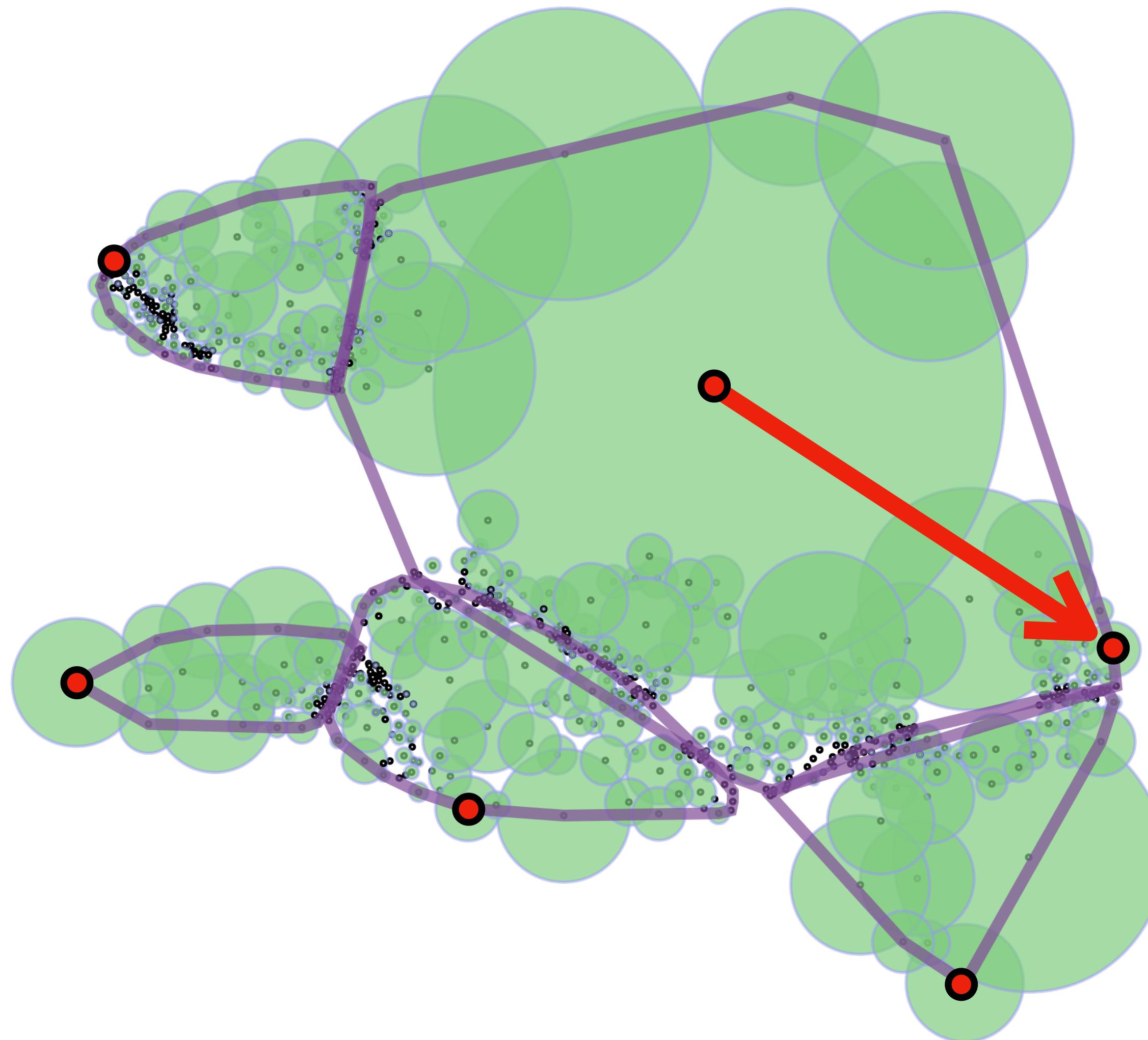
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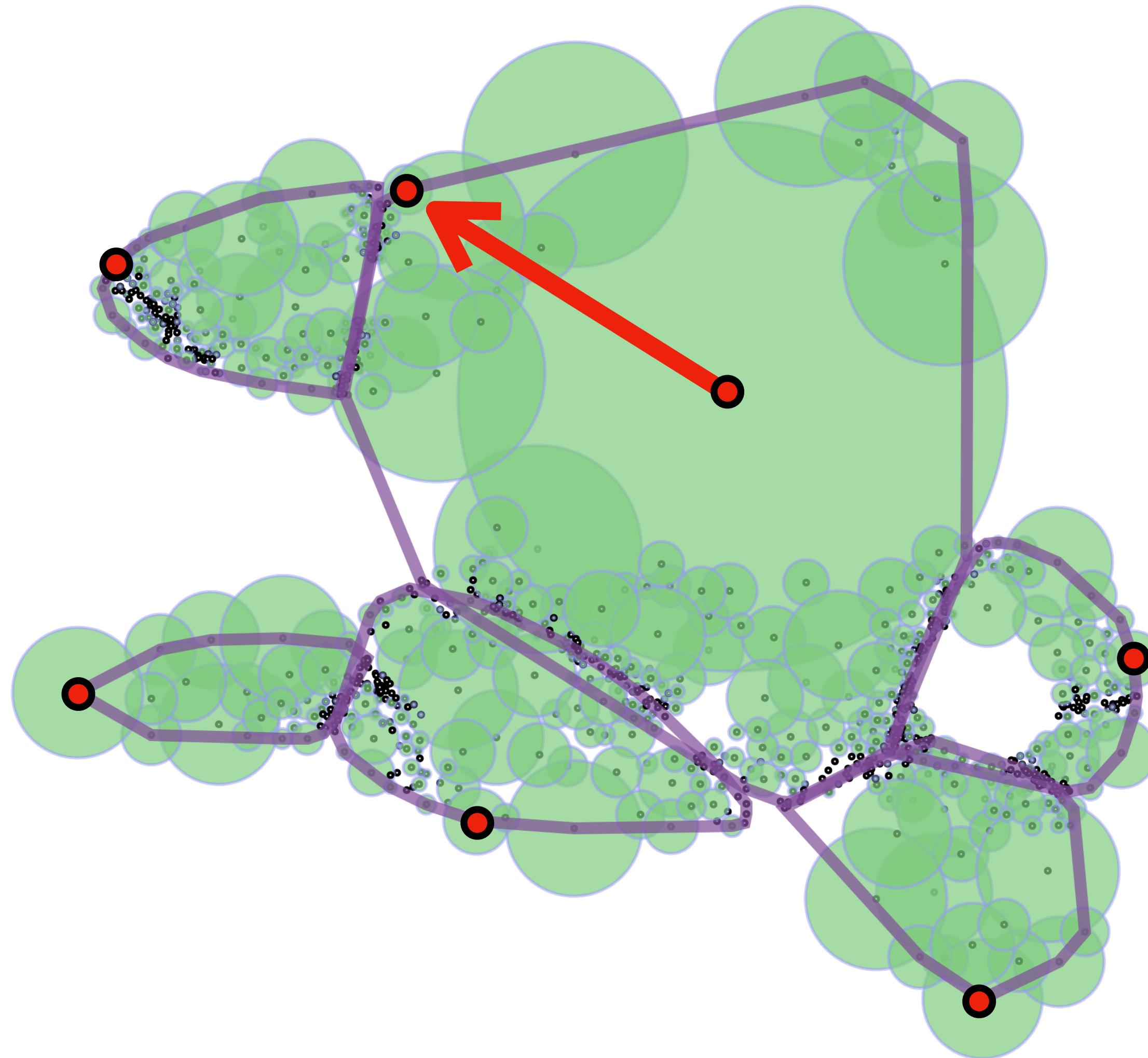
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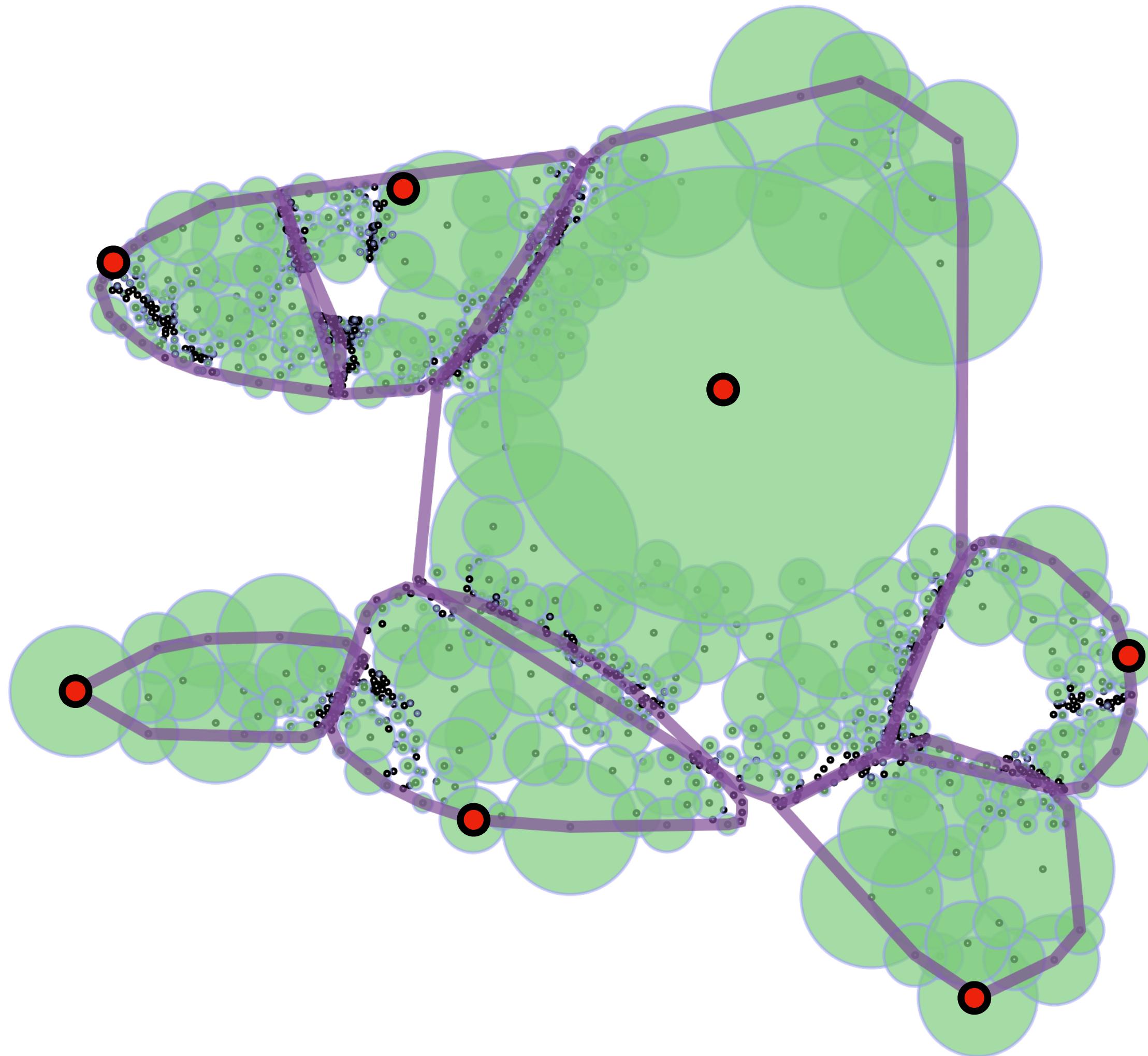
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*This gives us a divide and conquer algorithm.*

# Conclusion

**Theorem:**

**Using a recursive algorithm, a greedy permutation can be constructed deterministically in  $O(n \log n)$  time, and in  $O(n)$  space.**

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