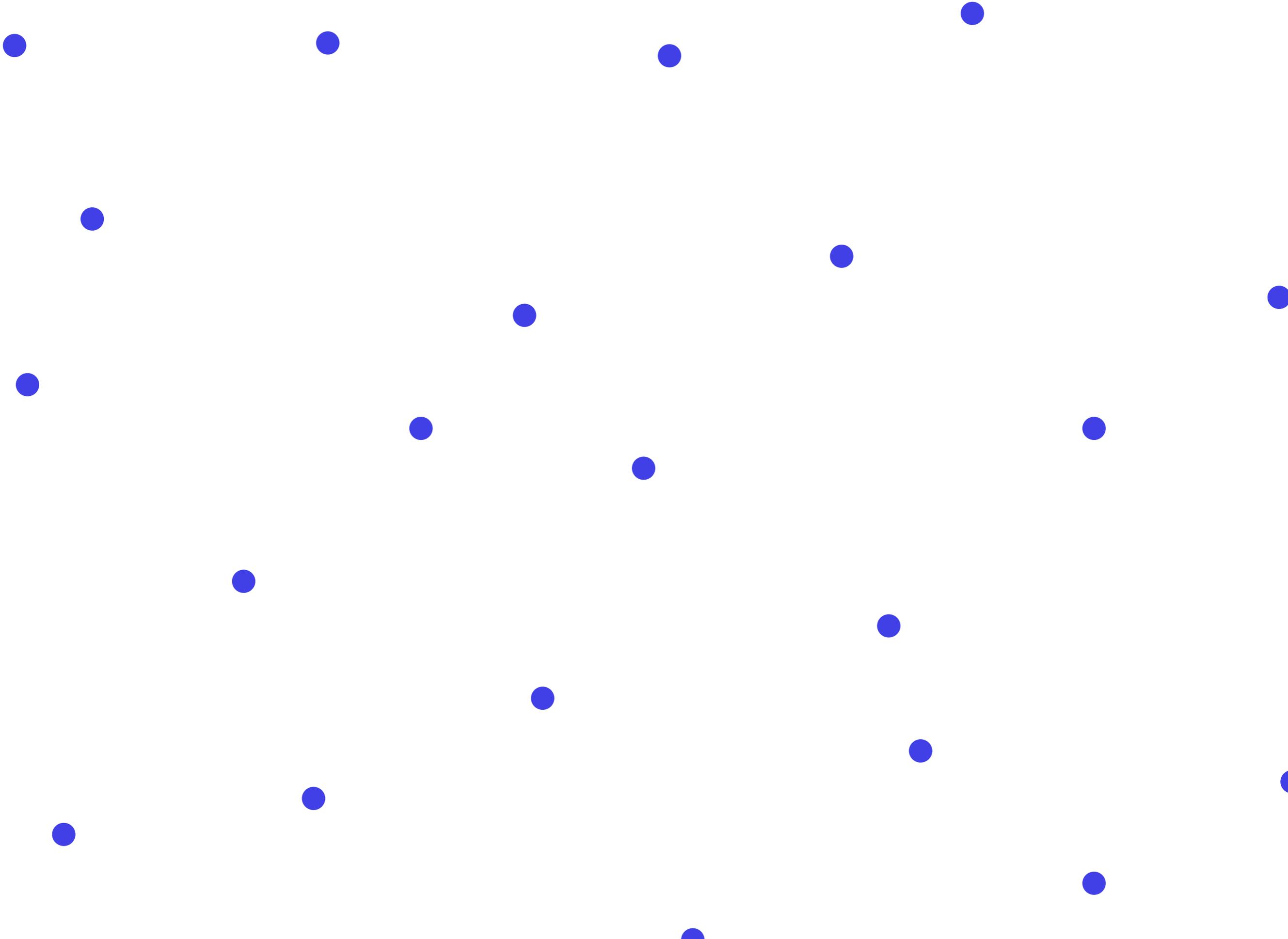


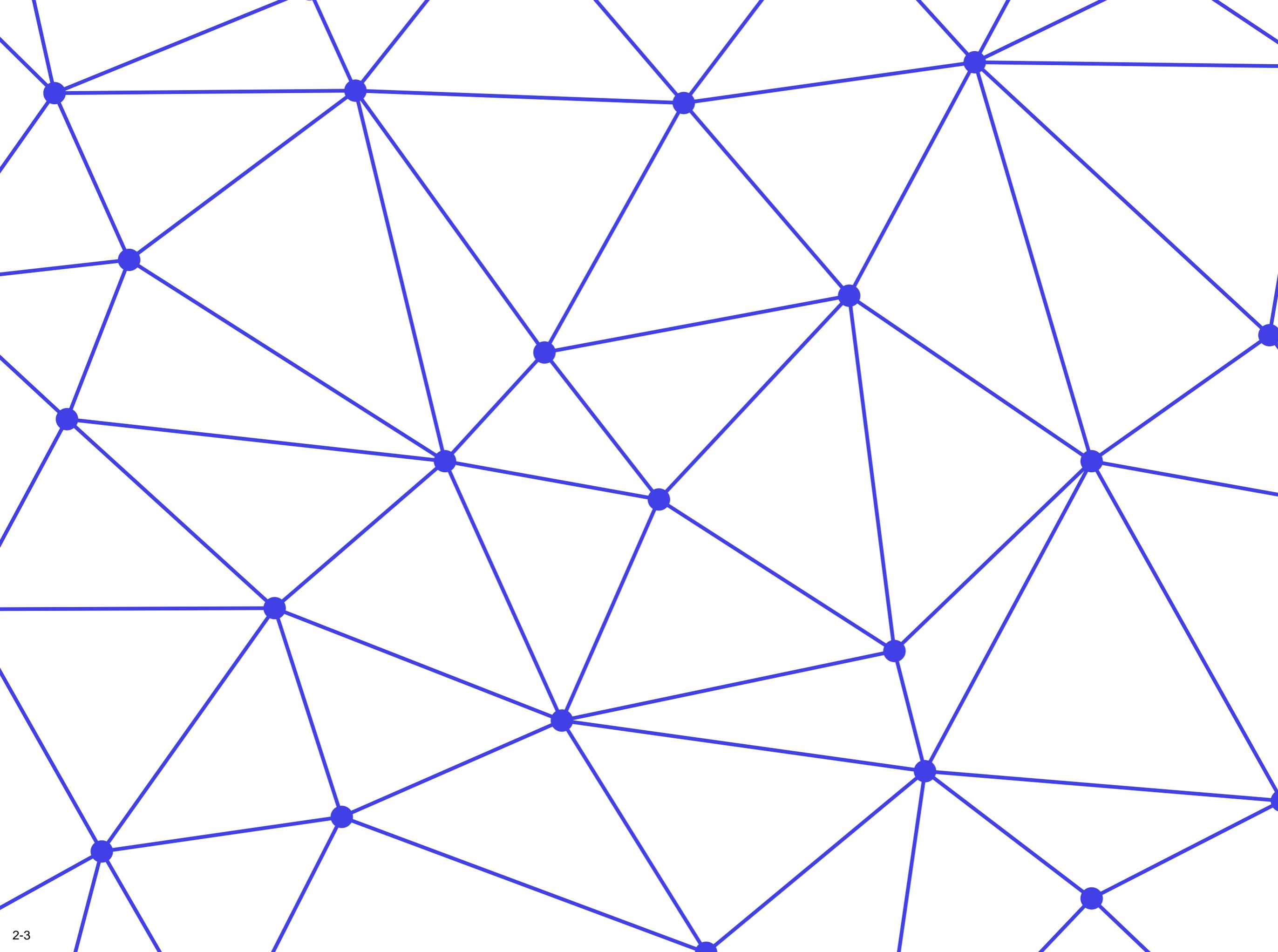
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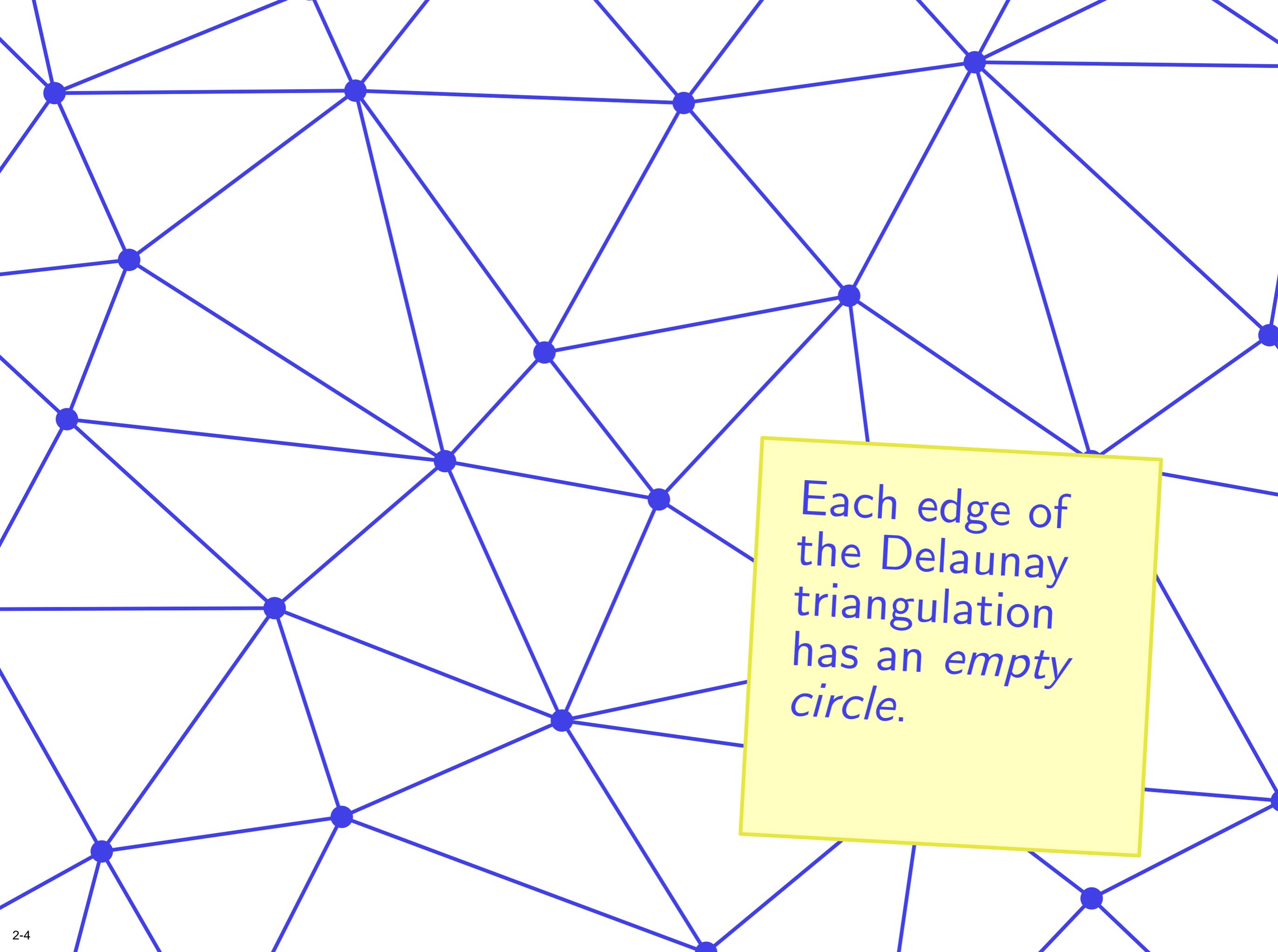
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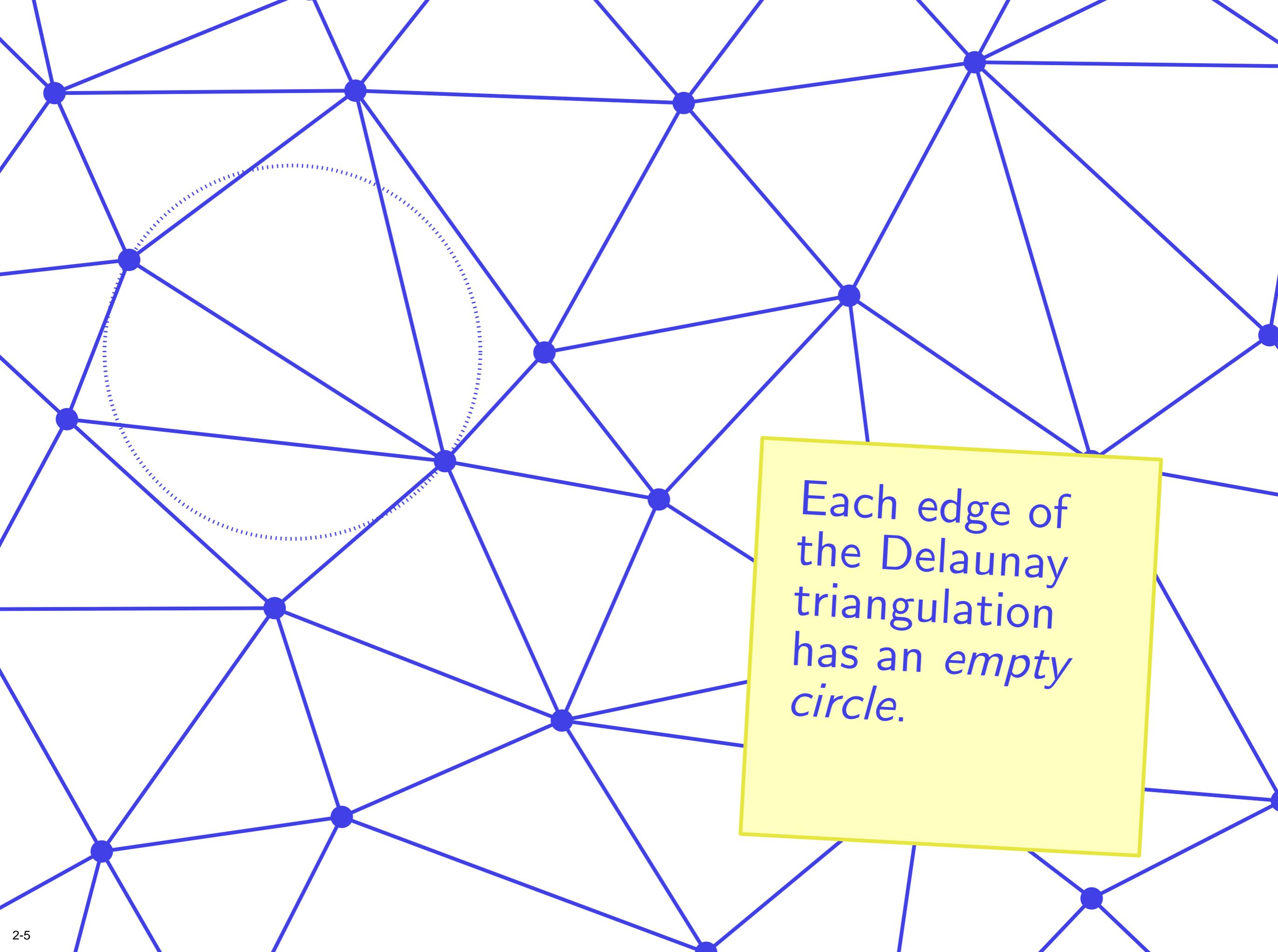
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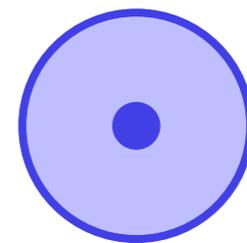
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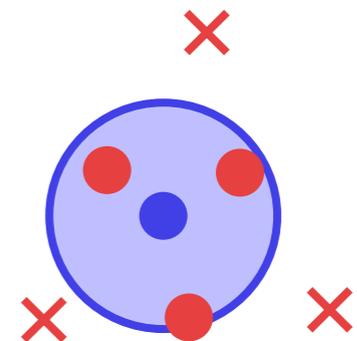
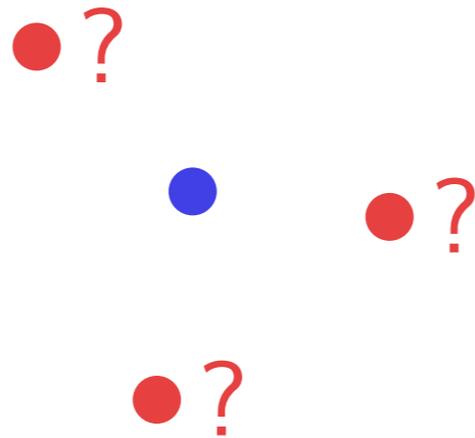
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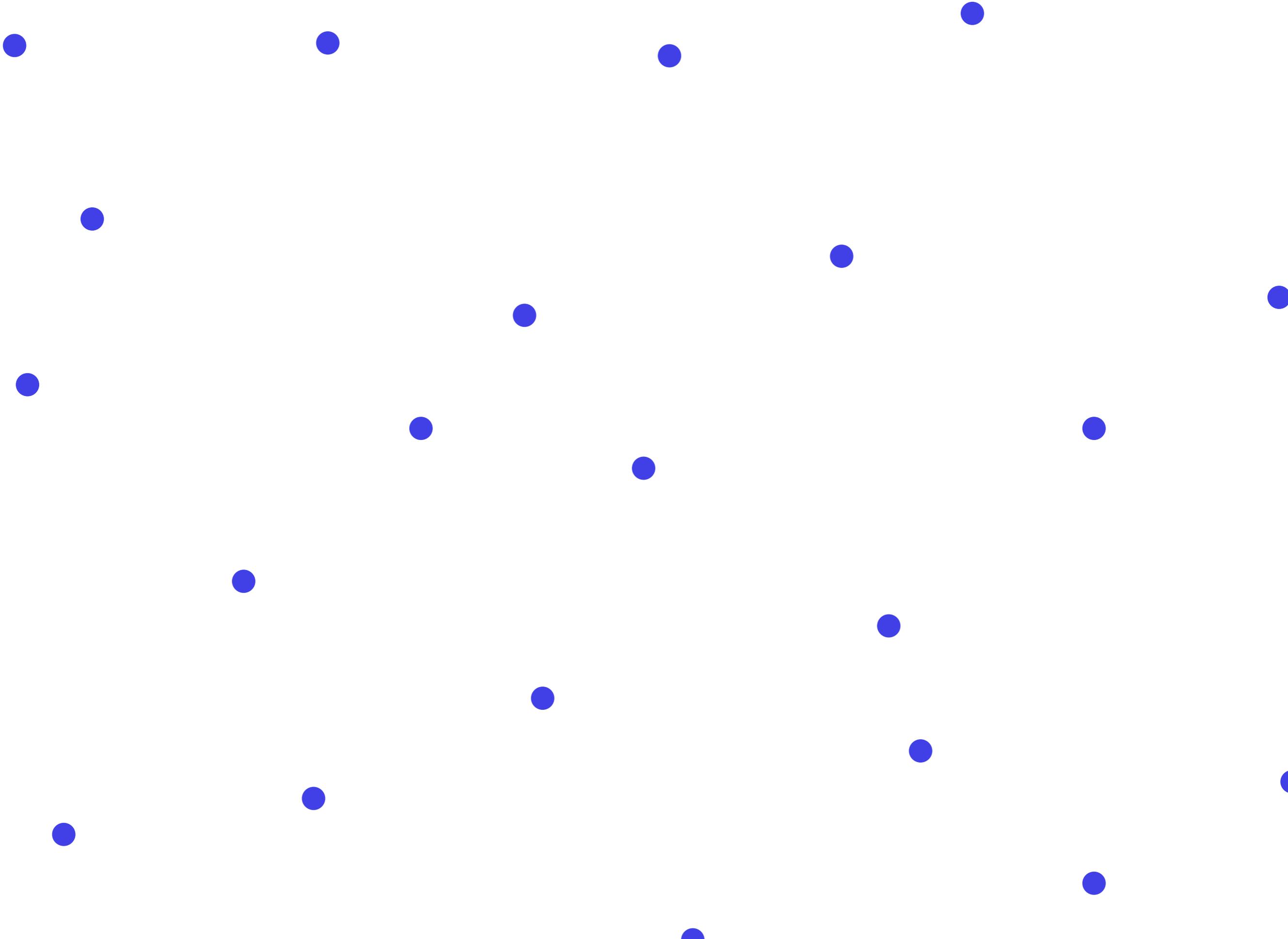
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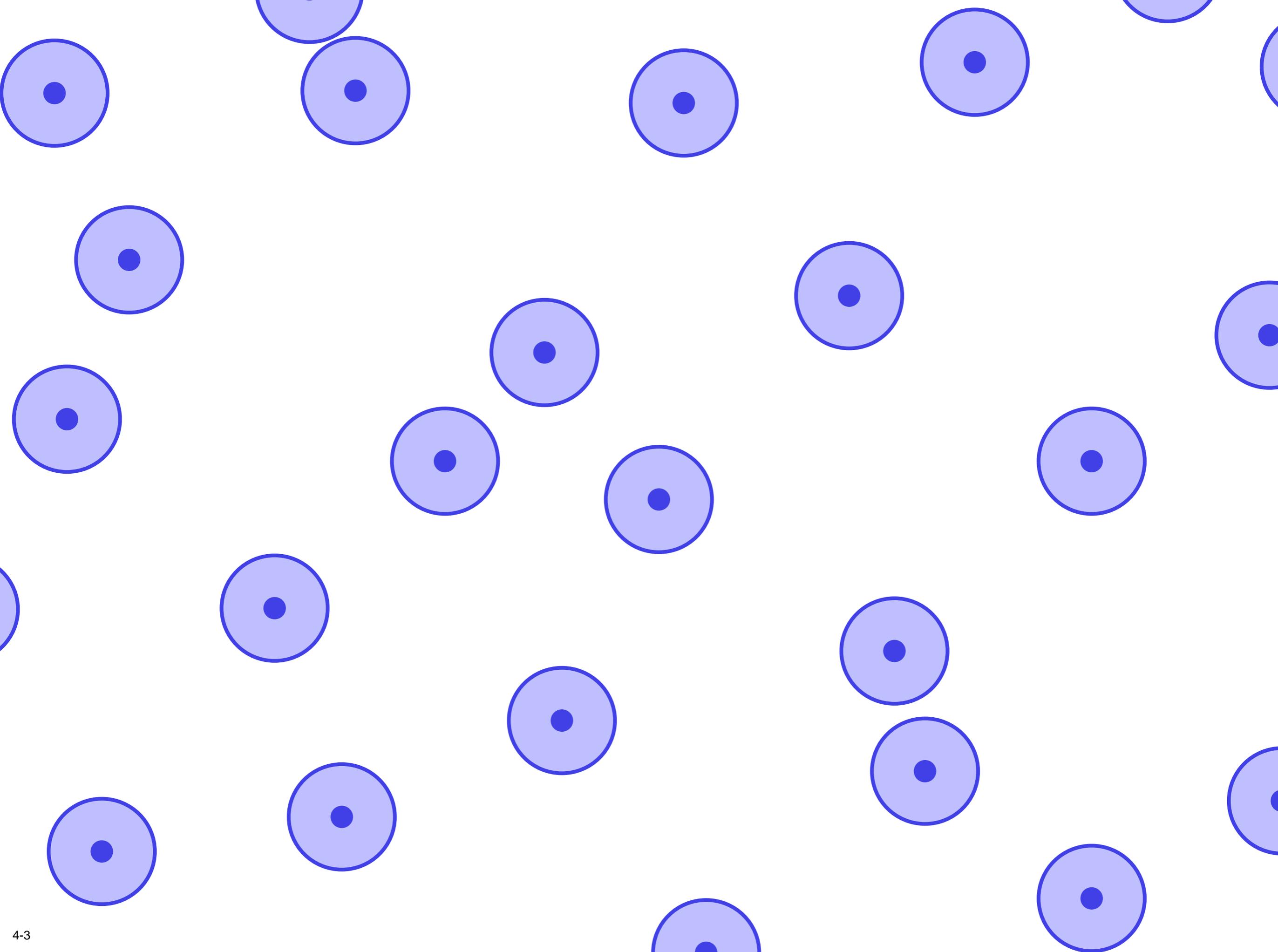
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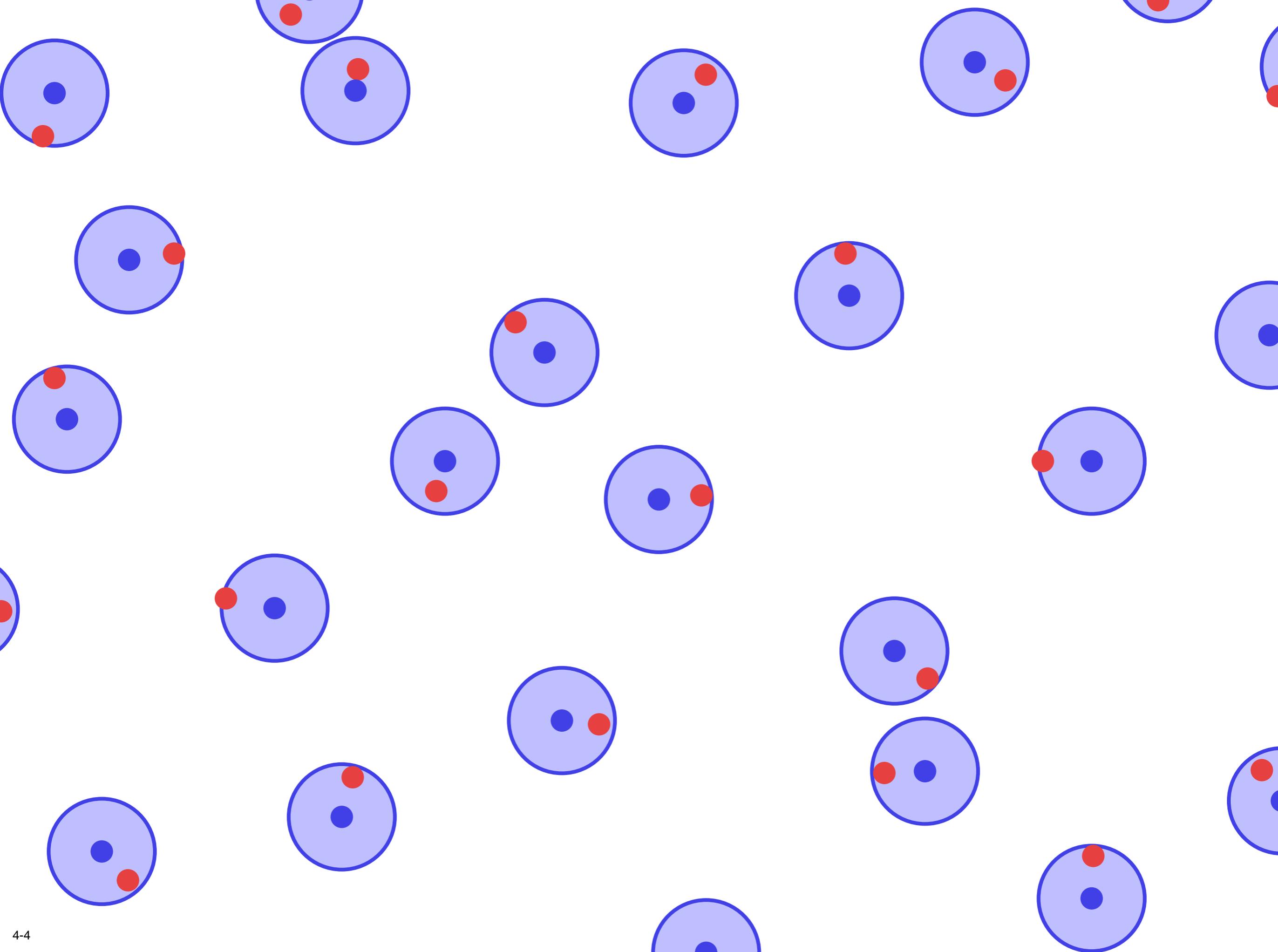
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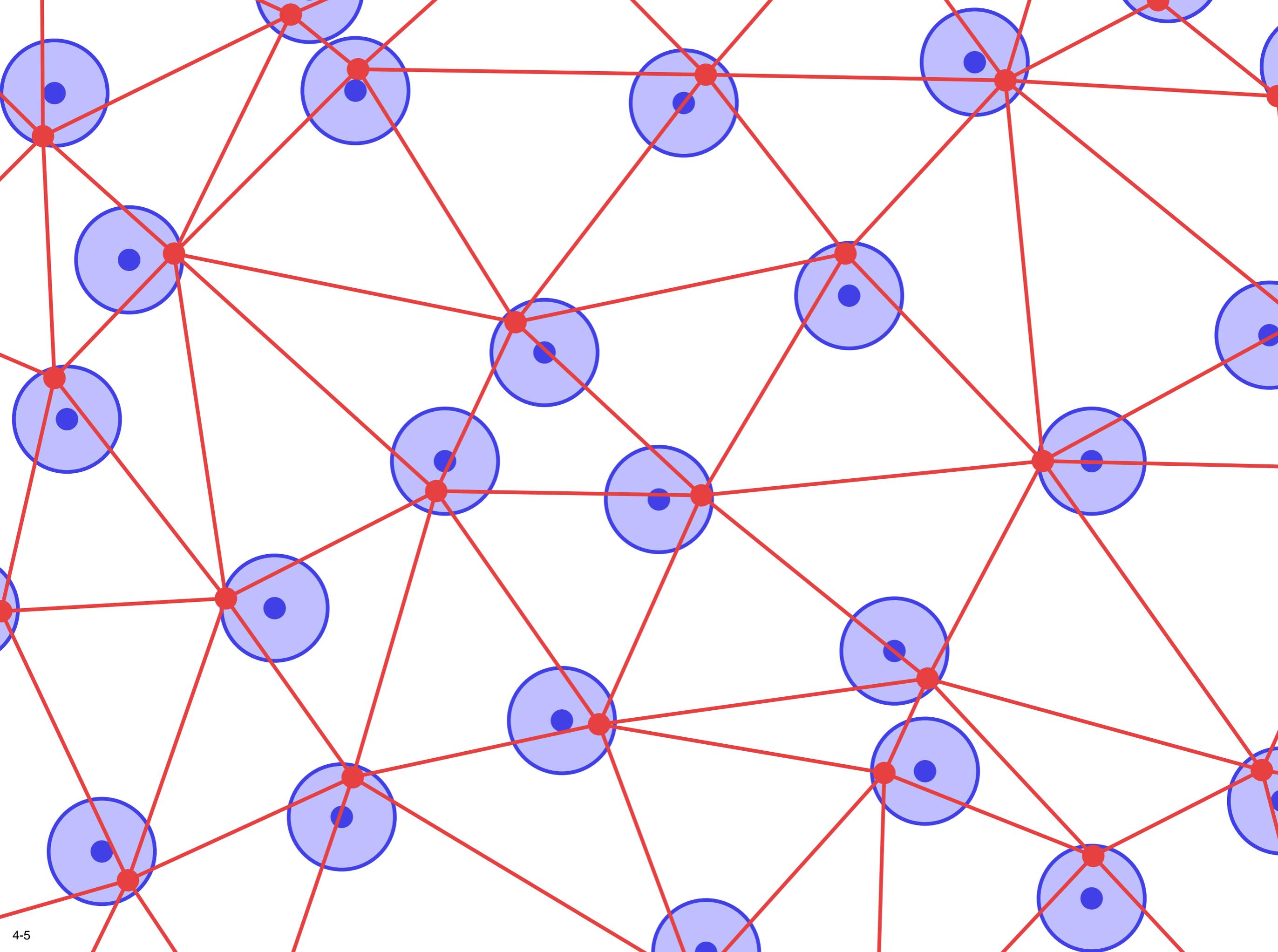


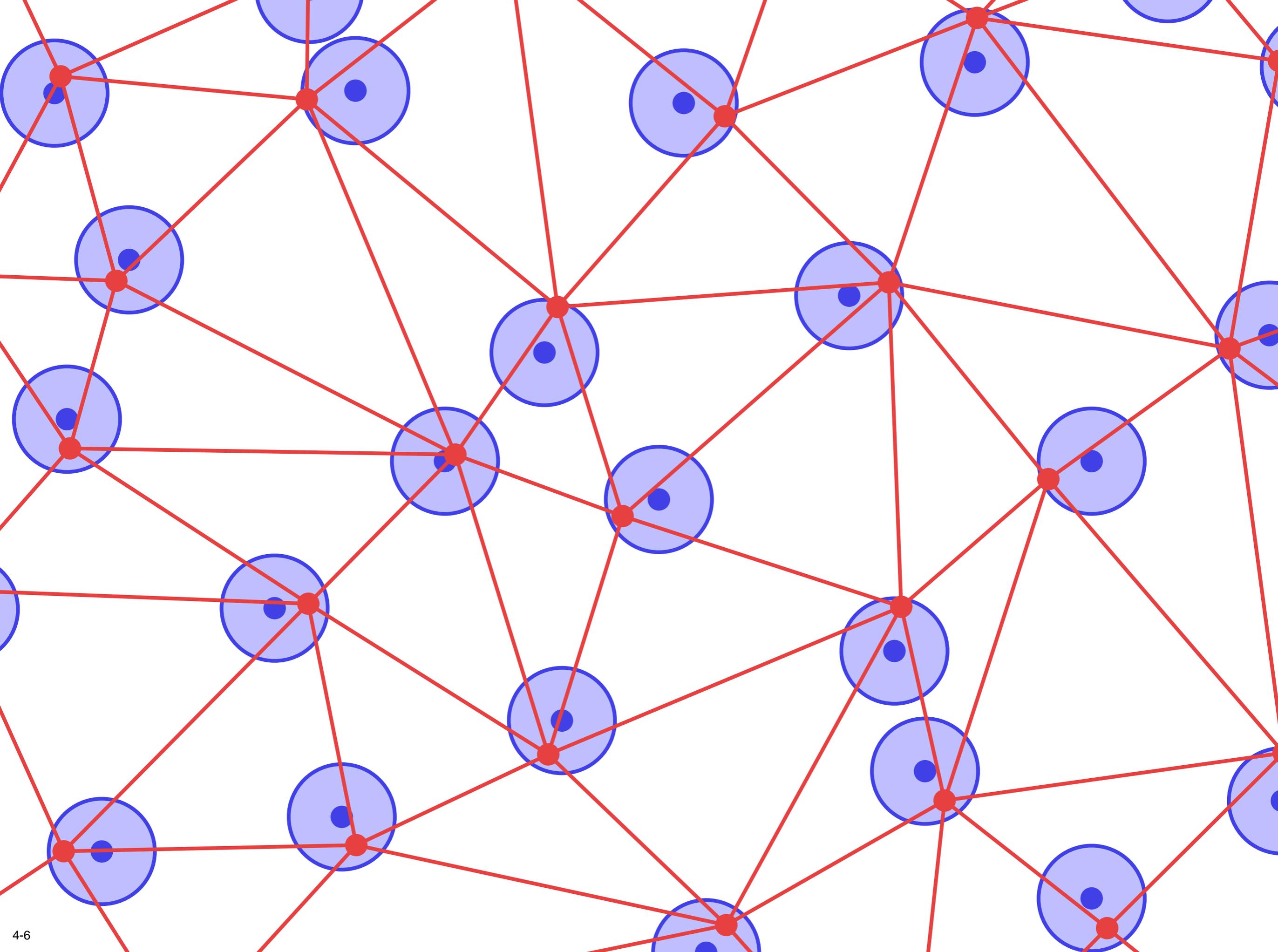
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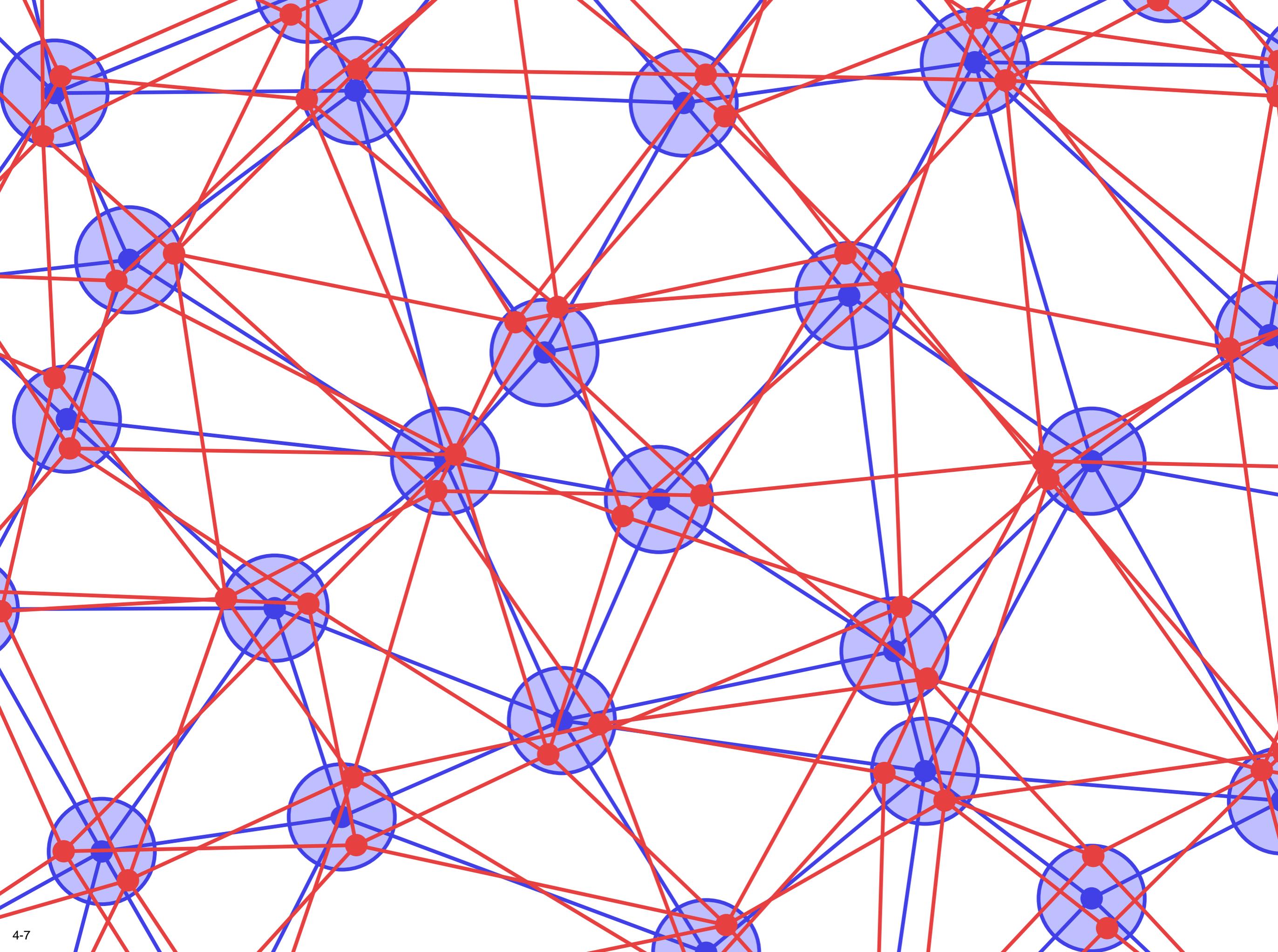


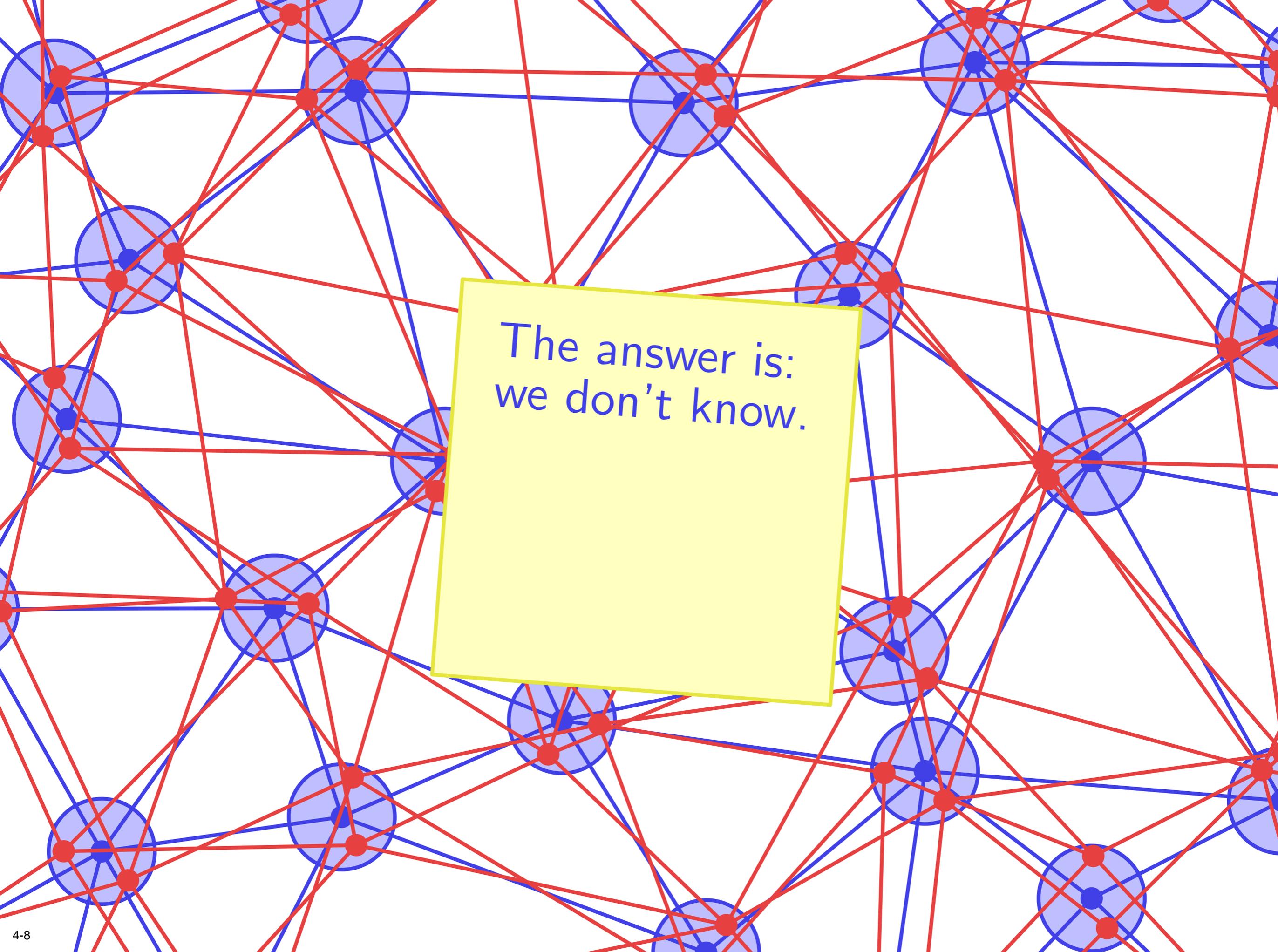










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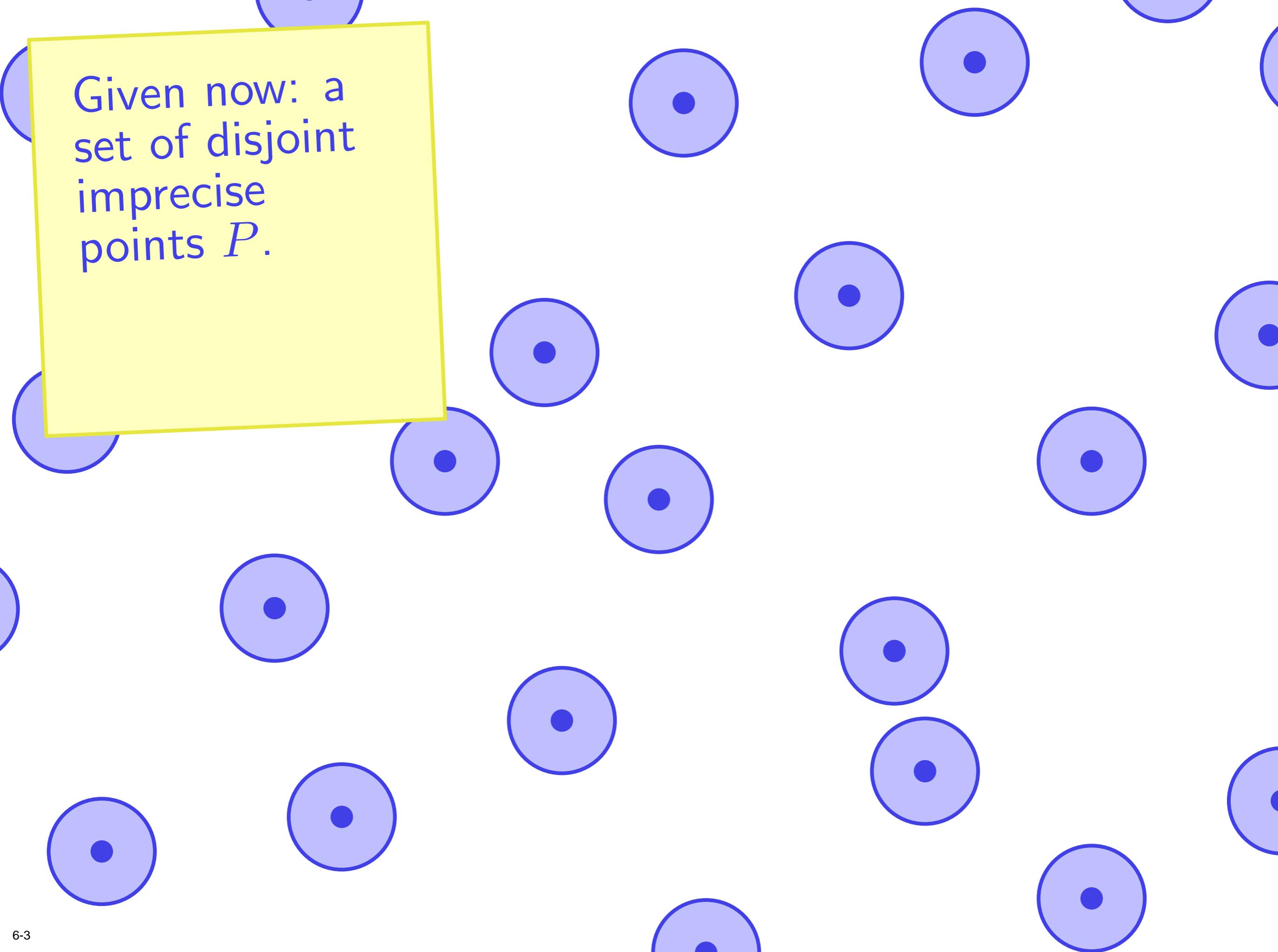
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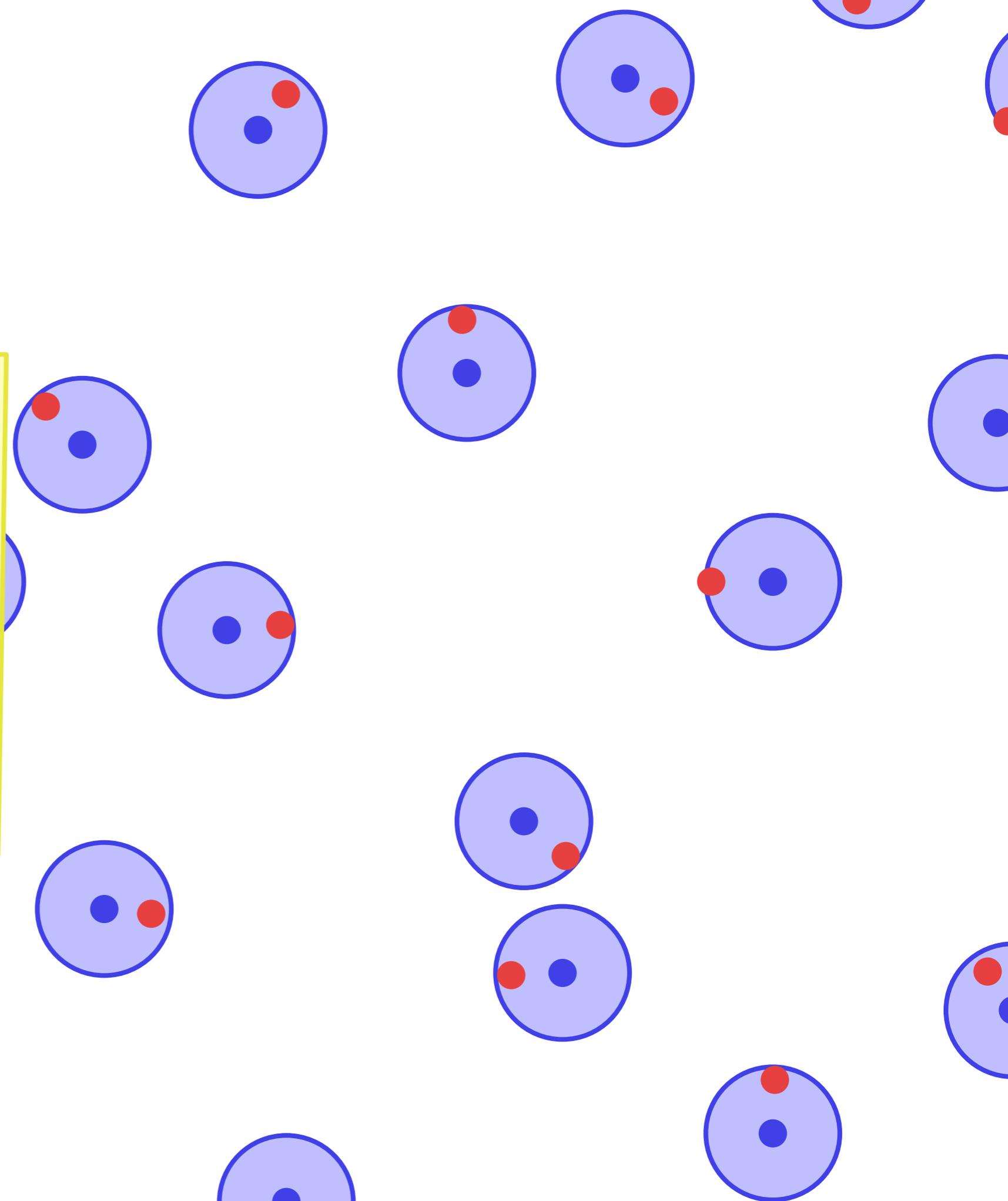


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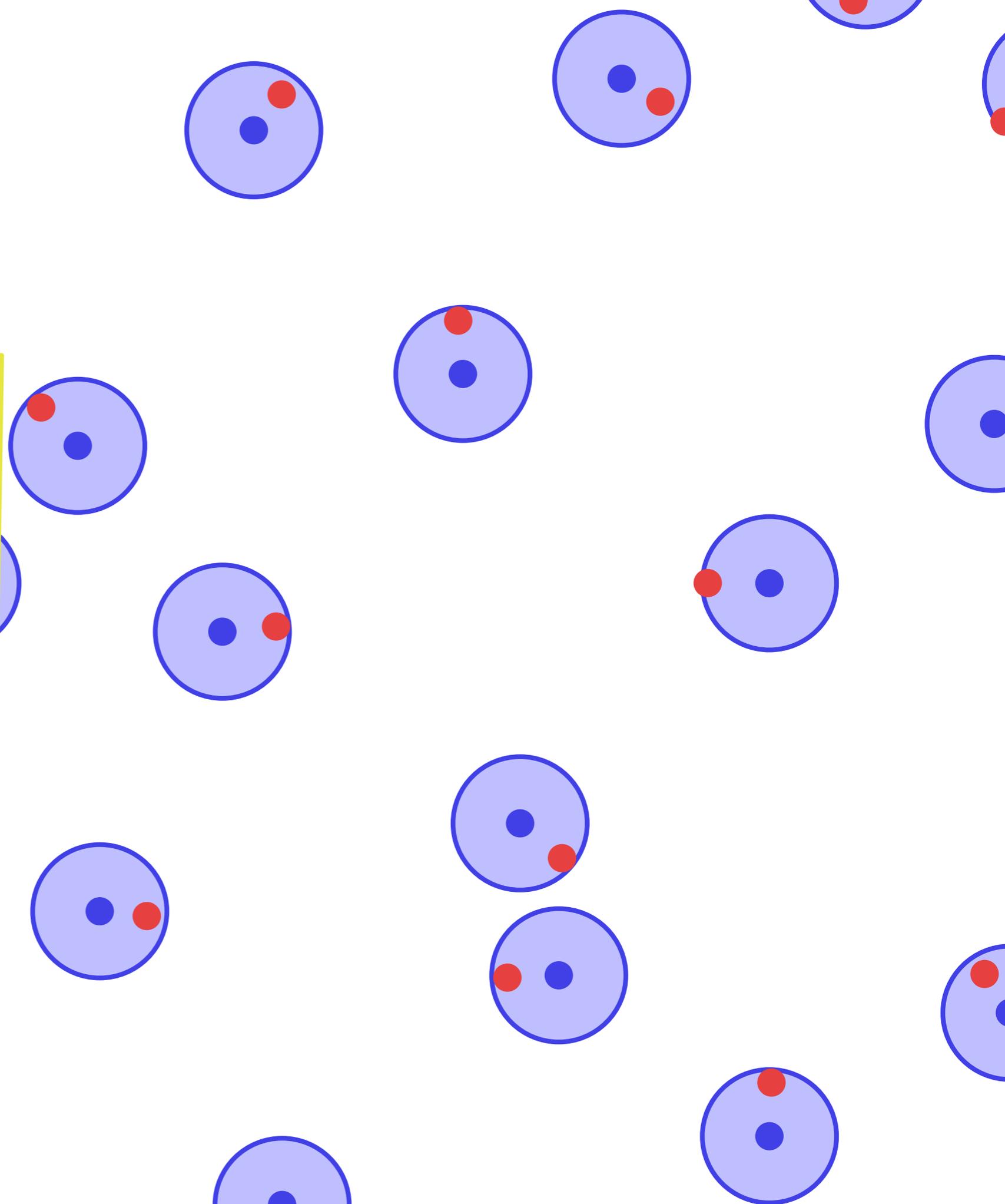


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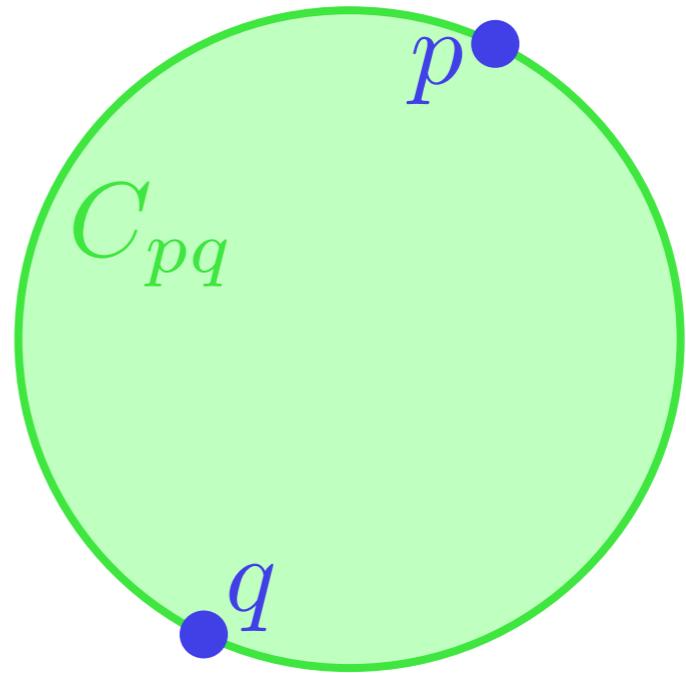
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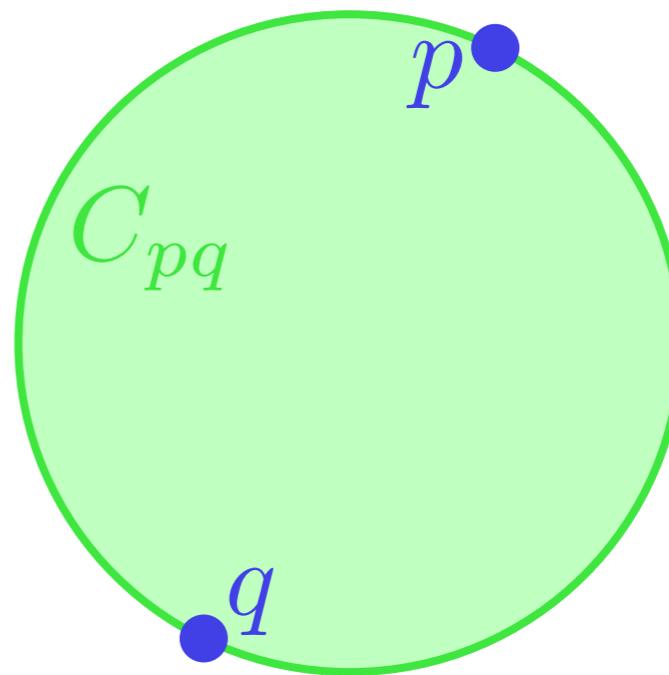
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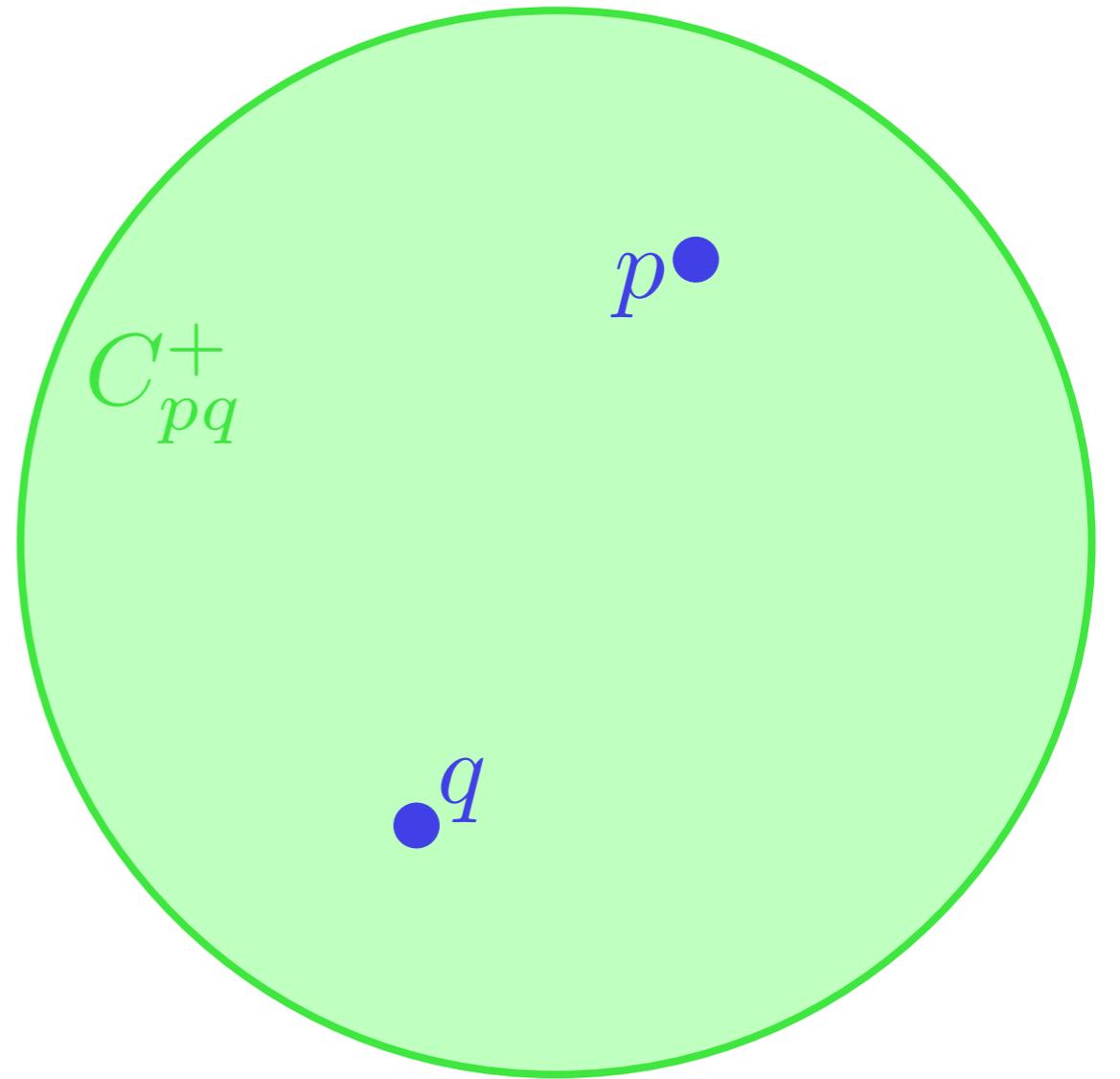
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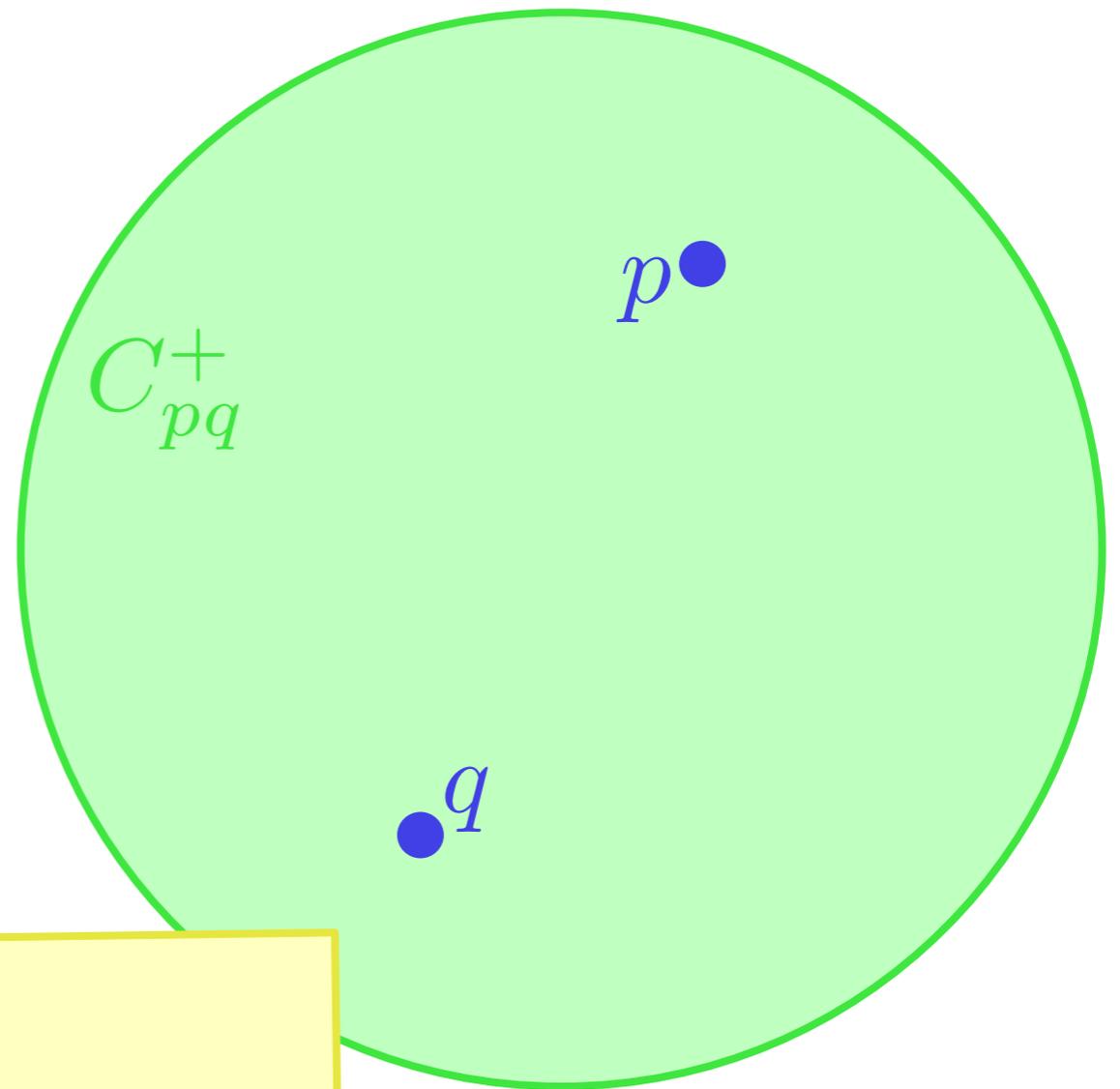


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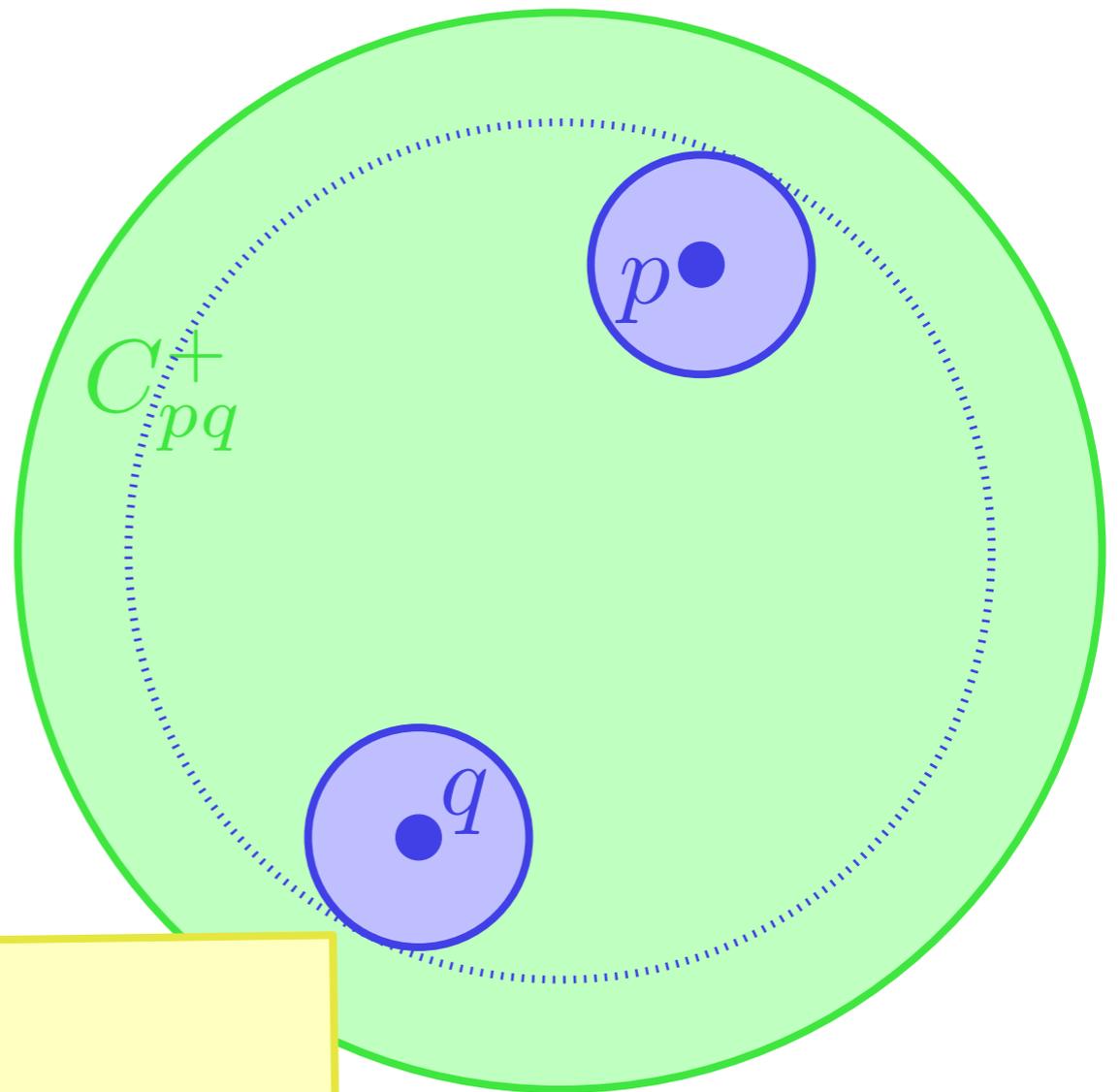


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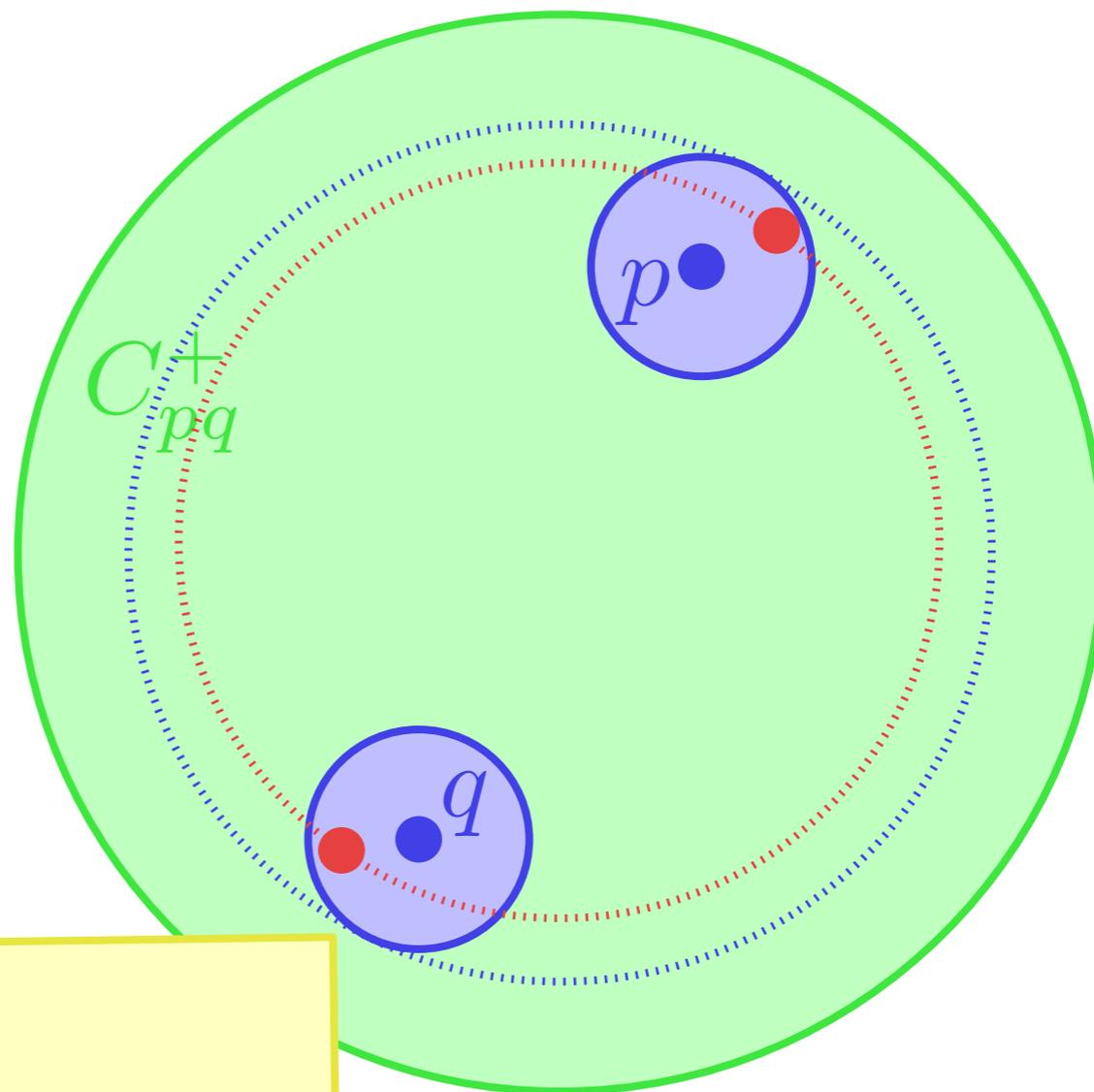


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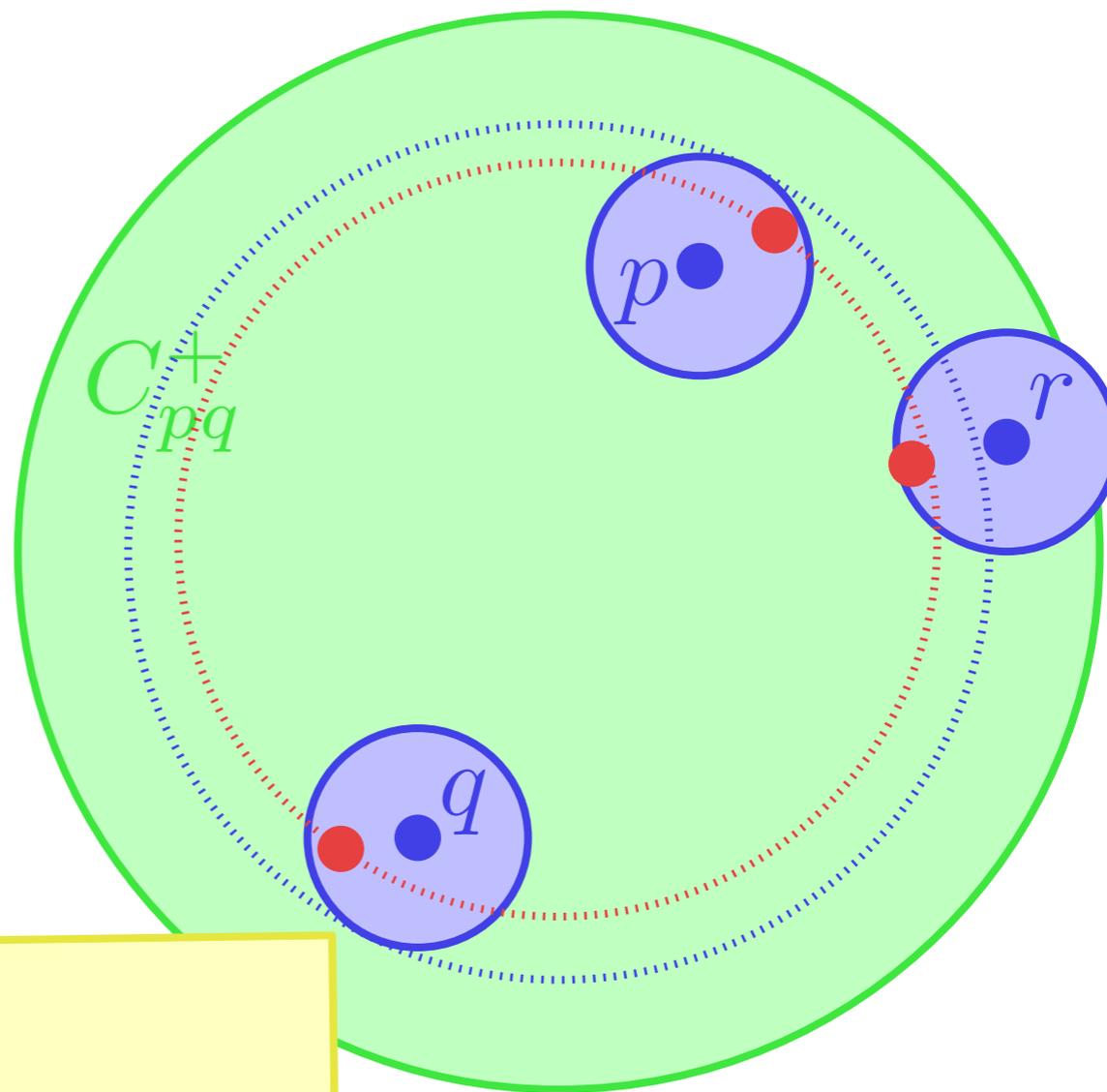
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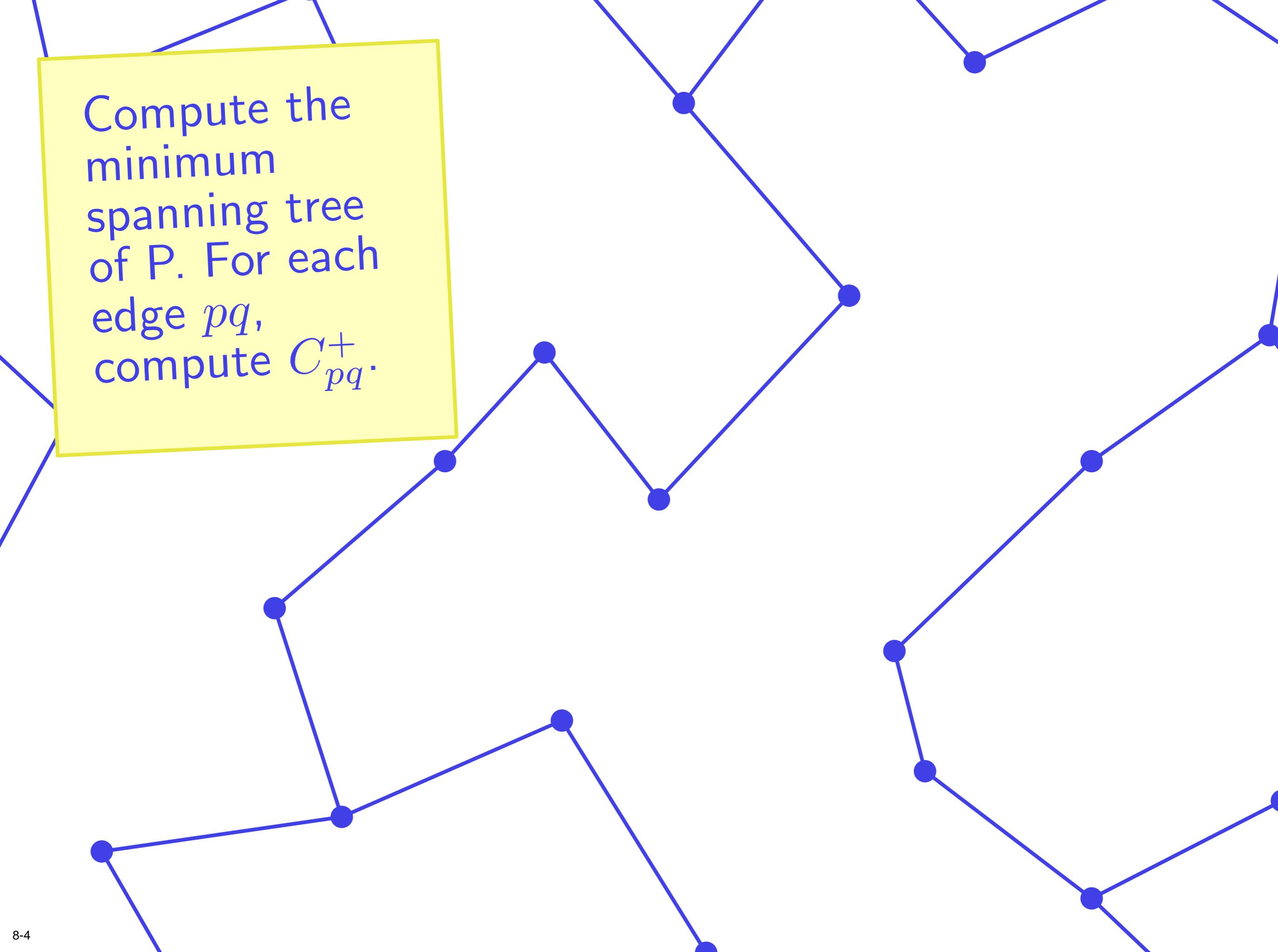
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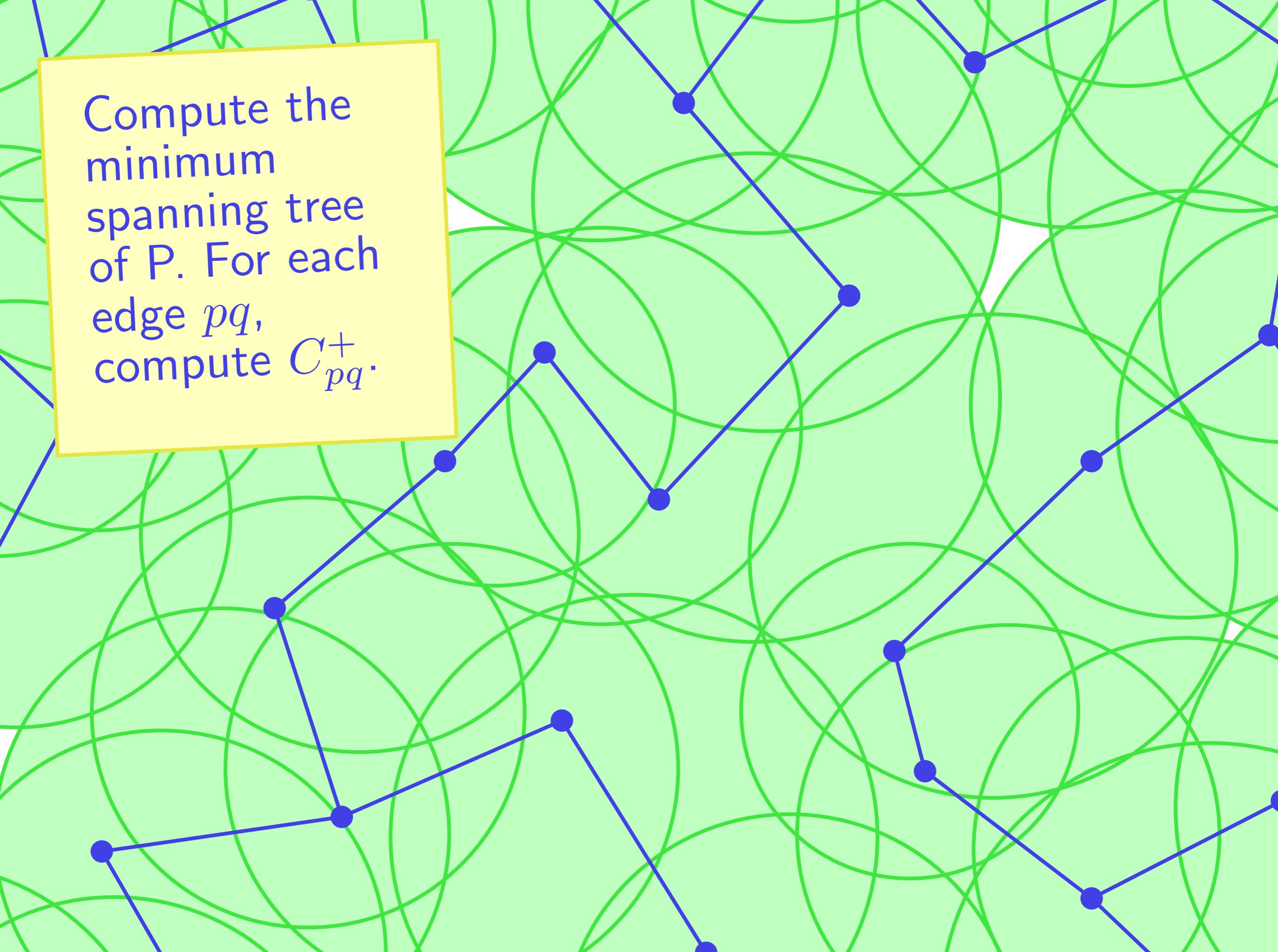
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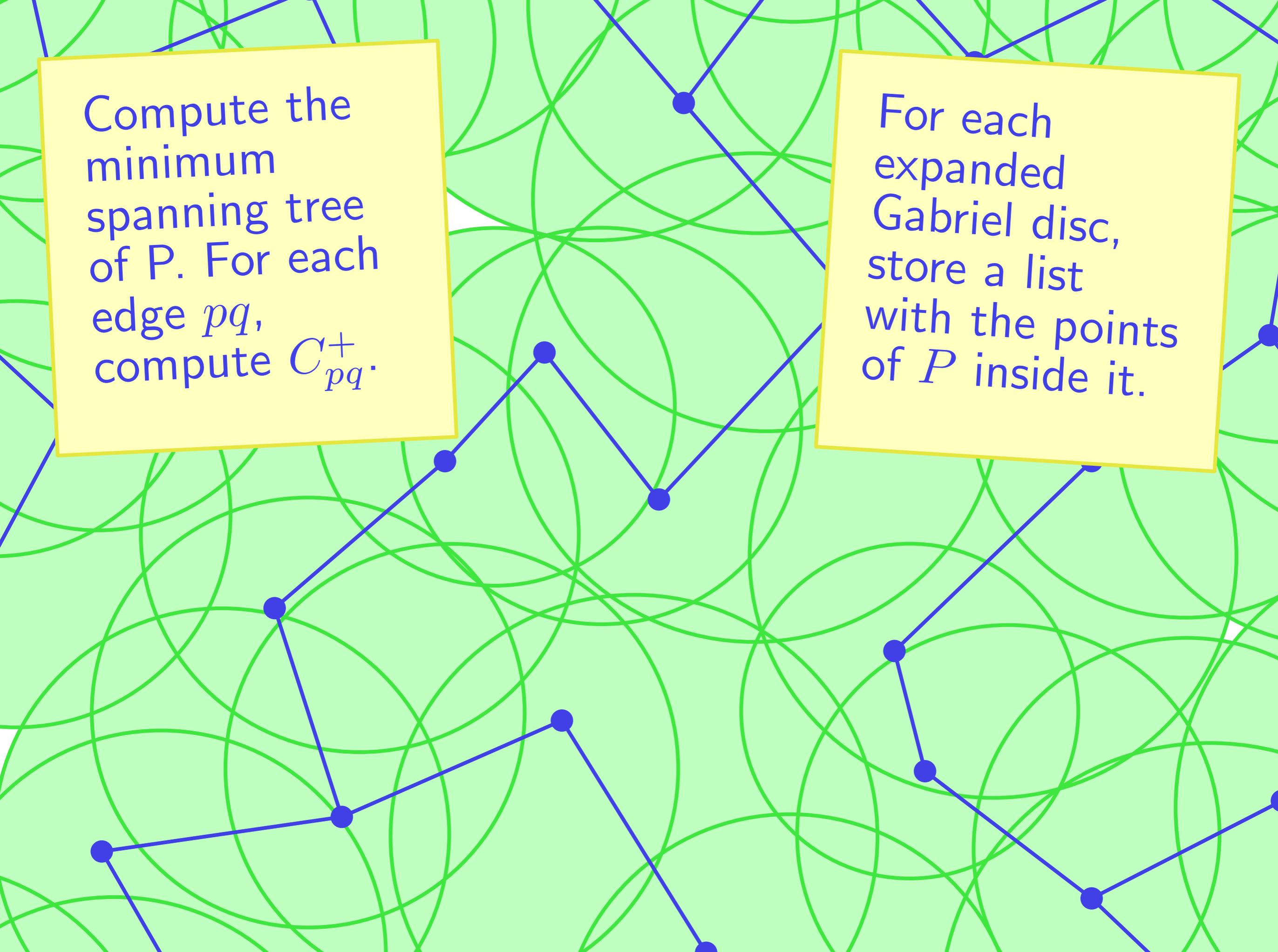


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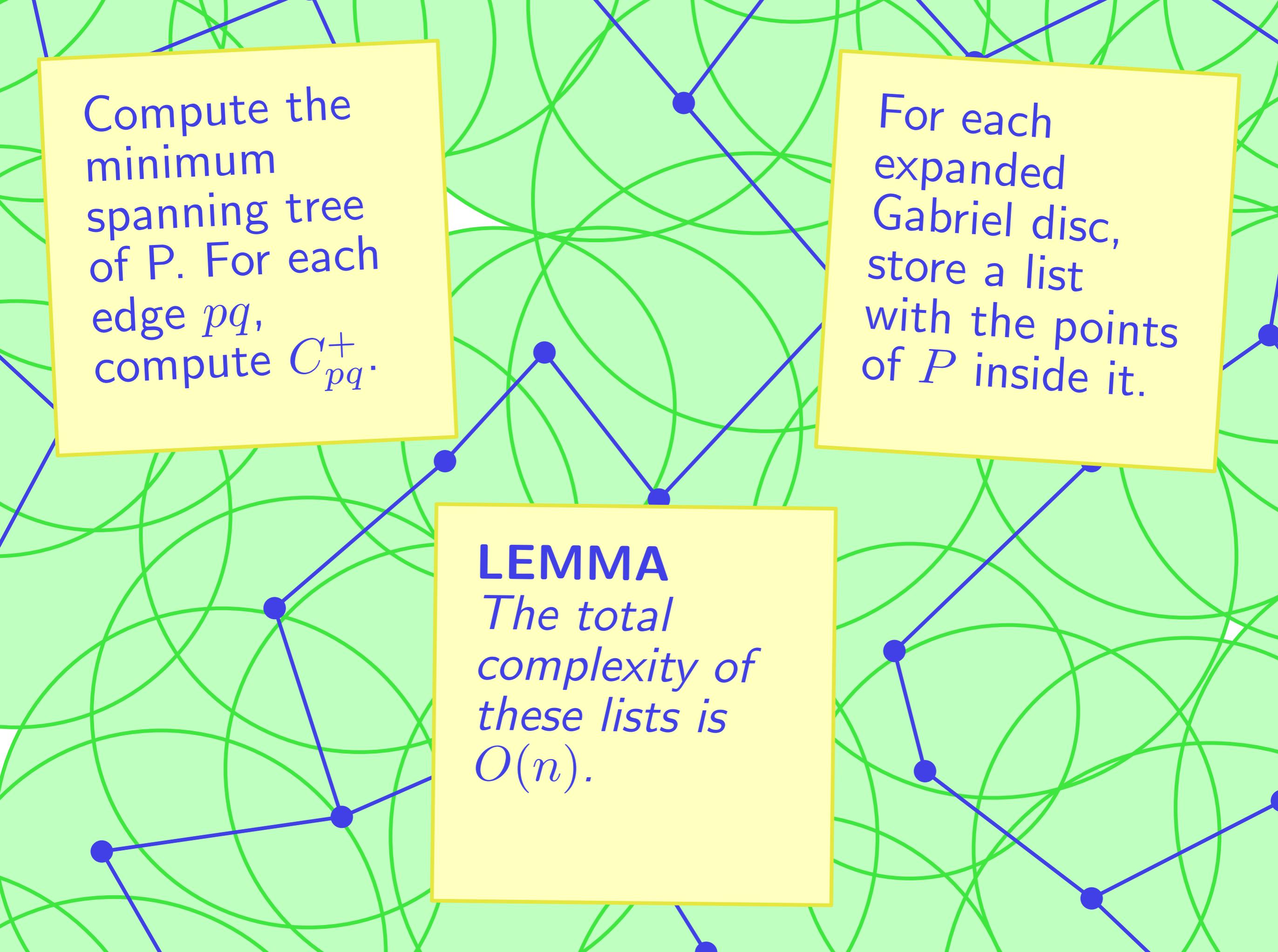




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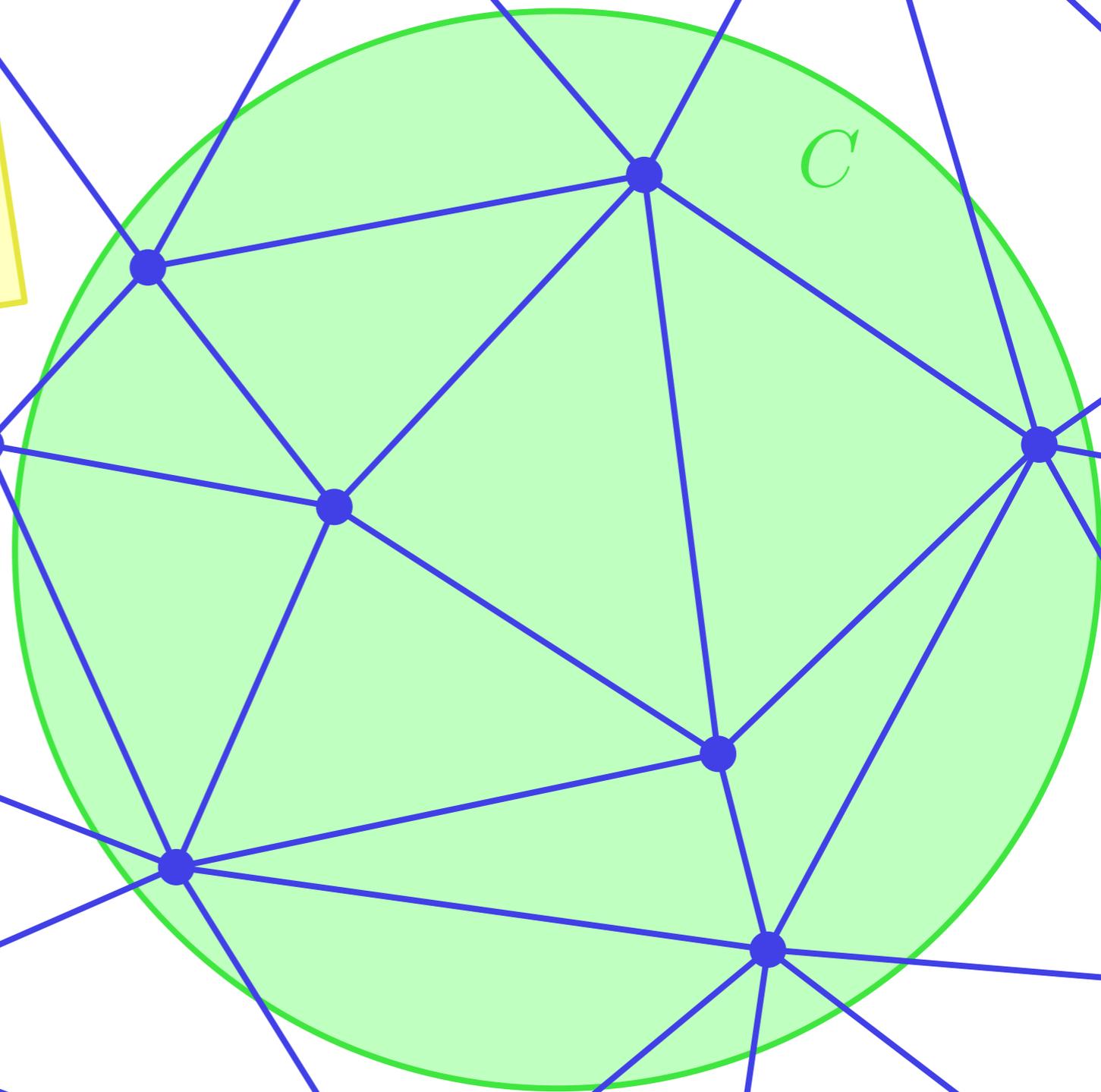
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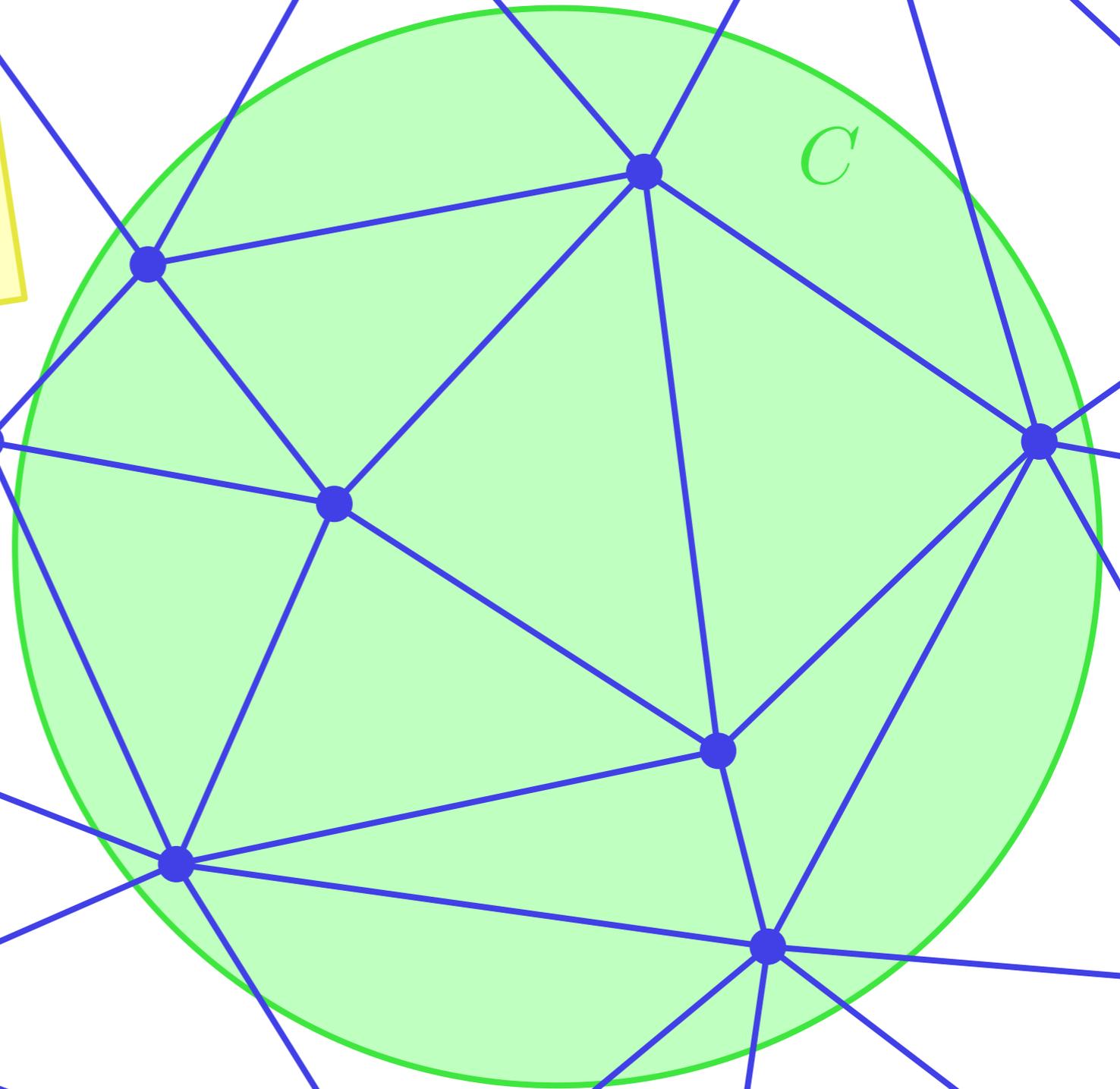
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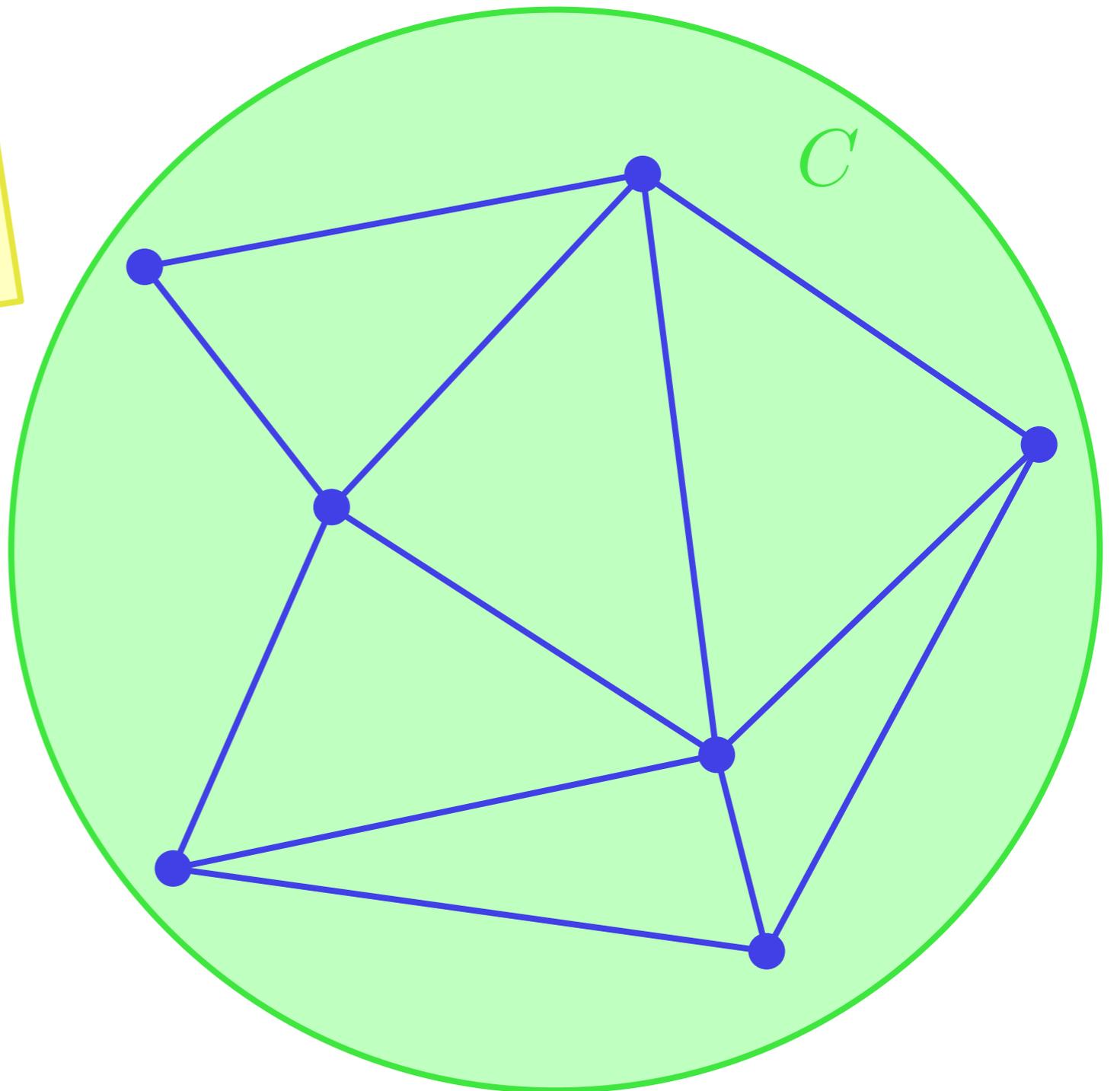
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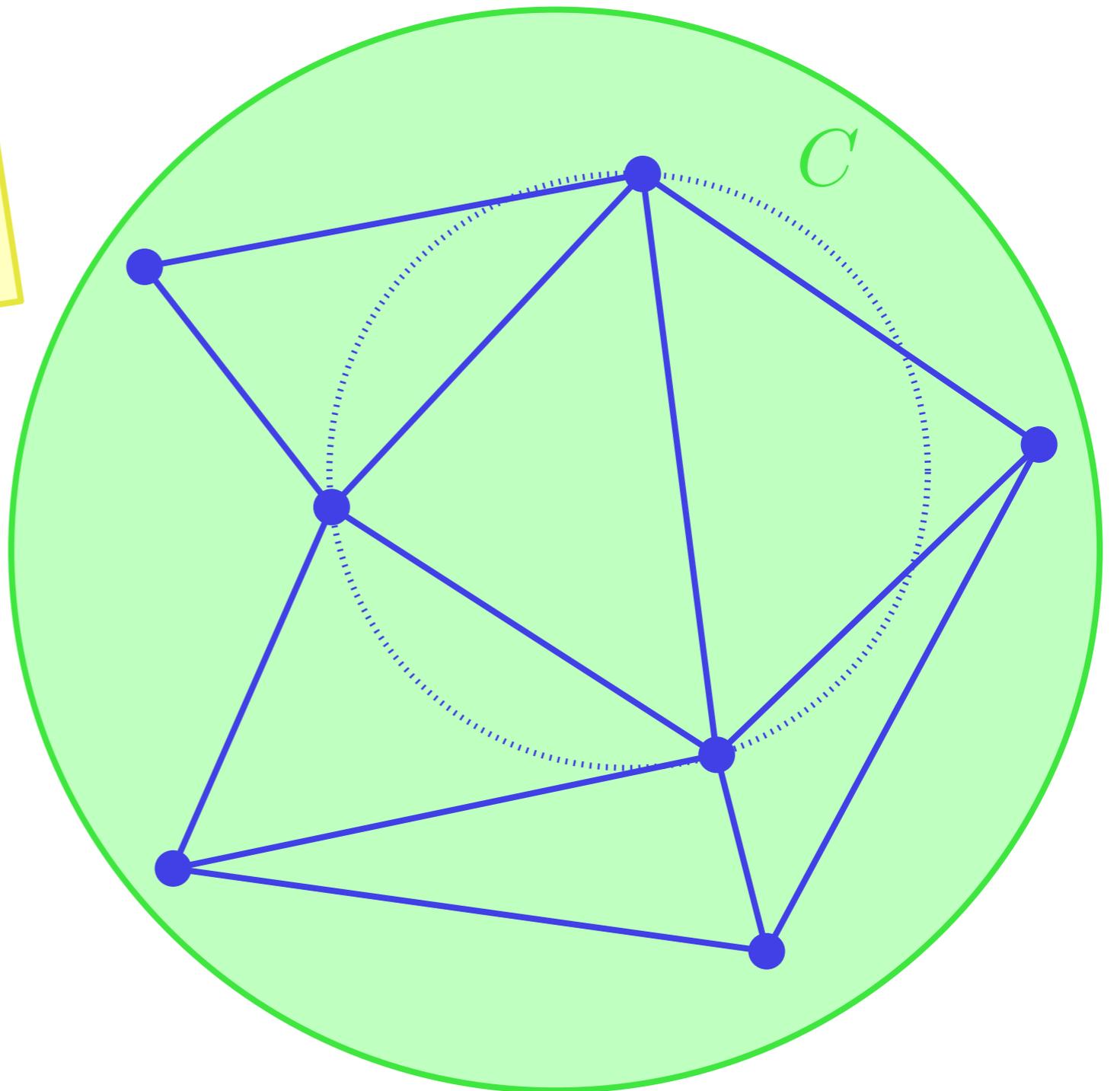
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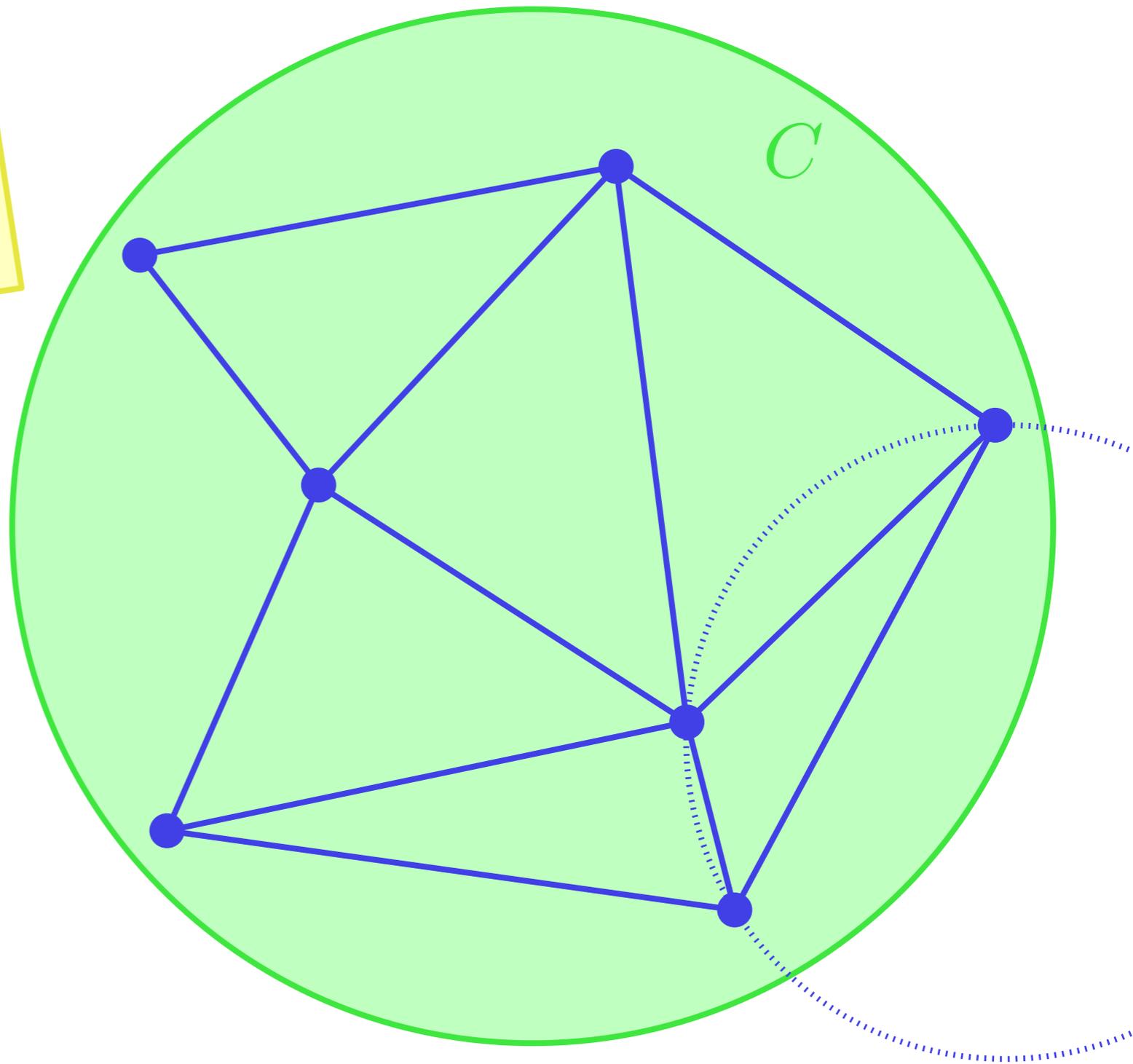
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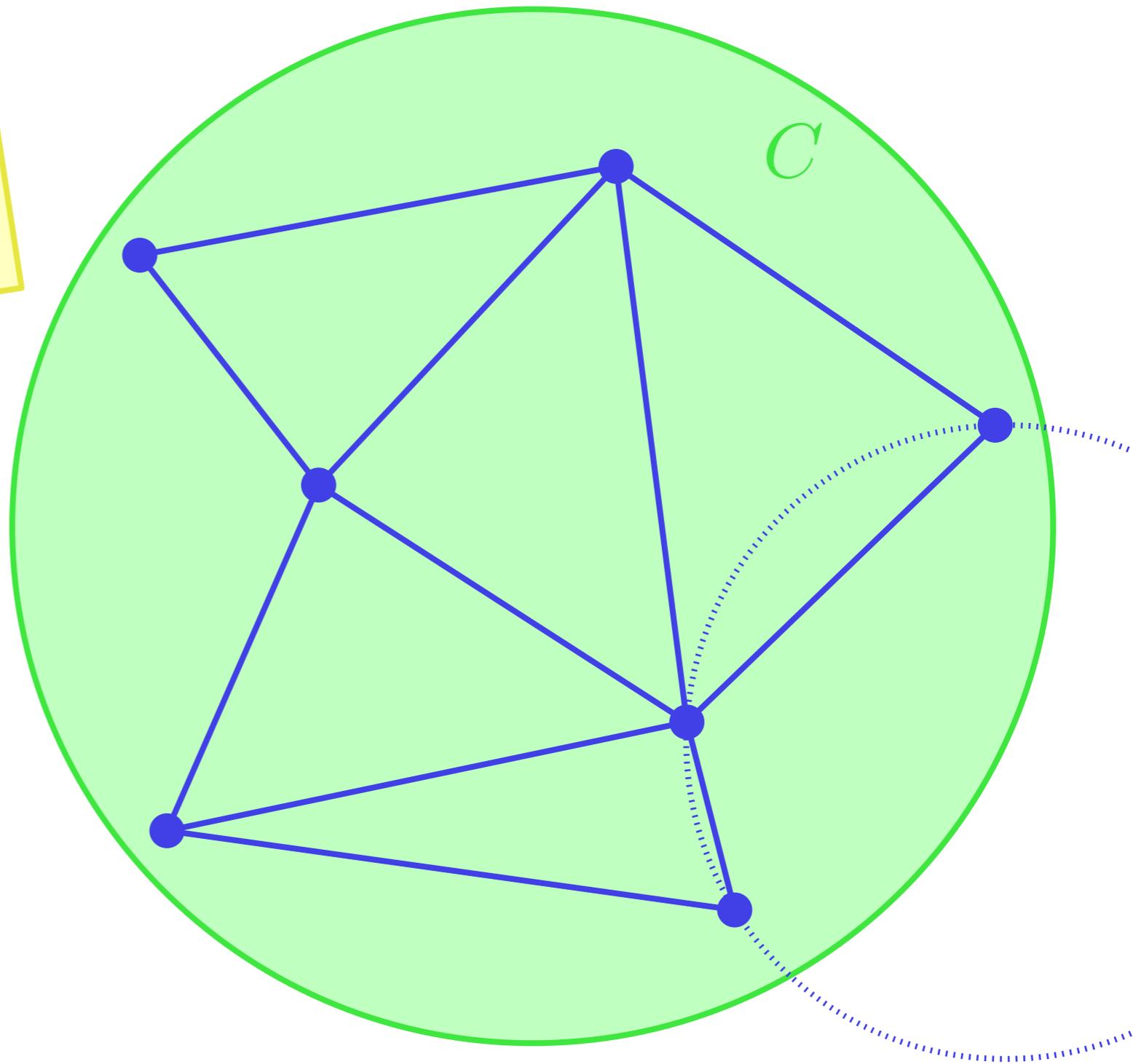
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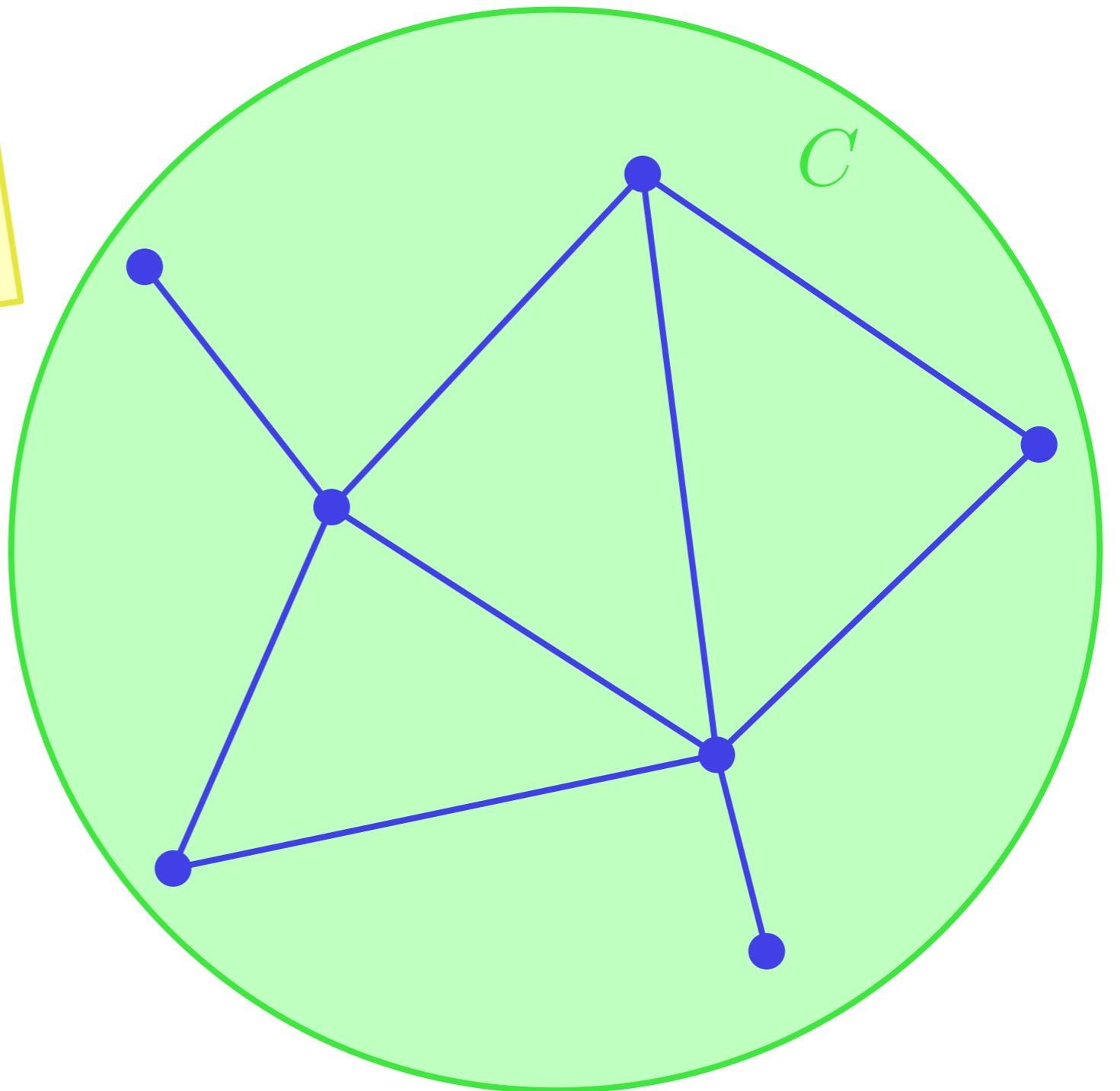
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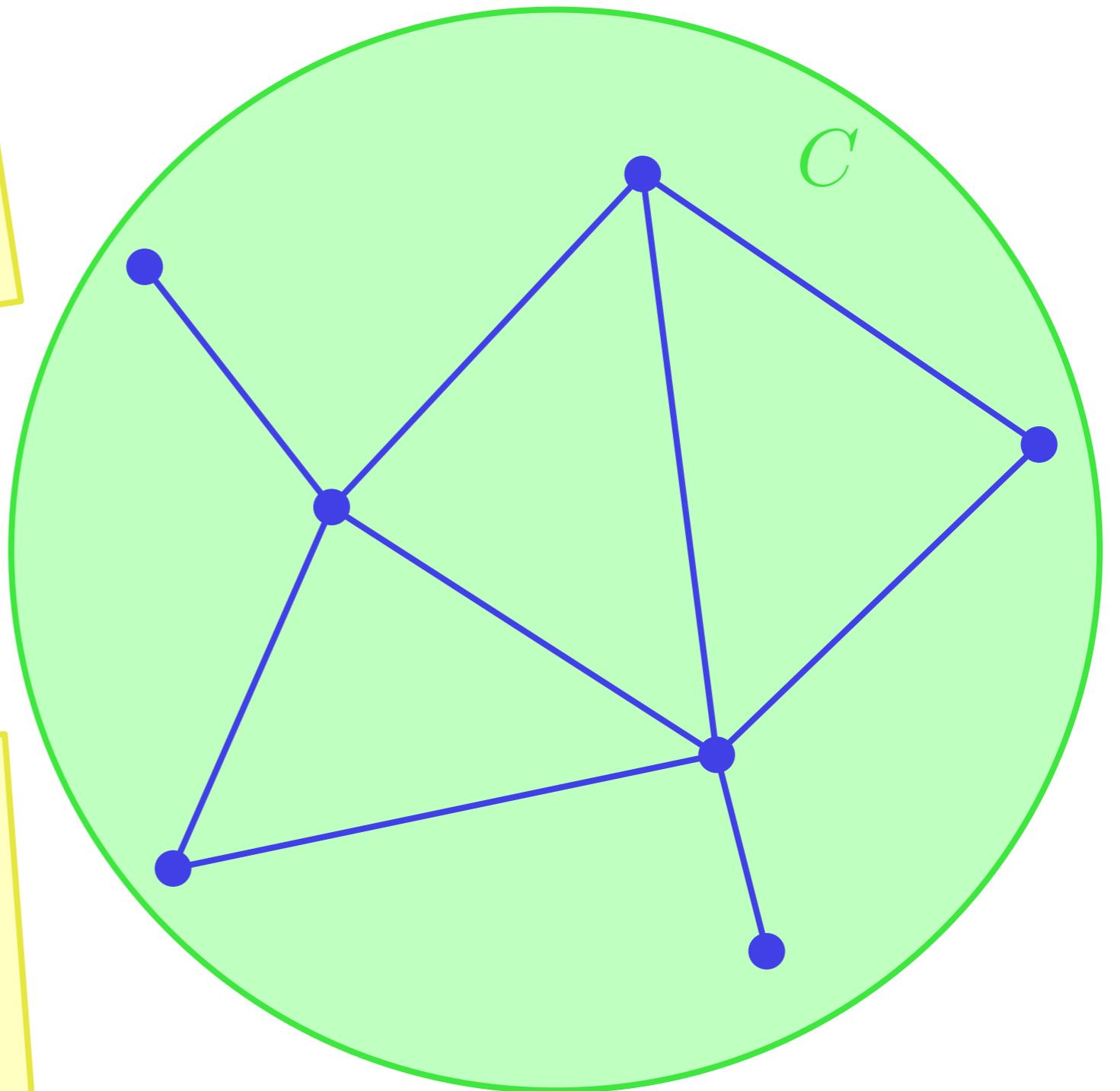


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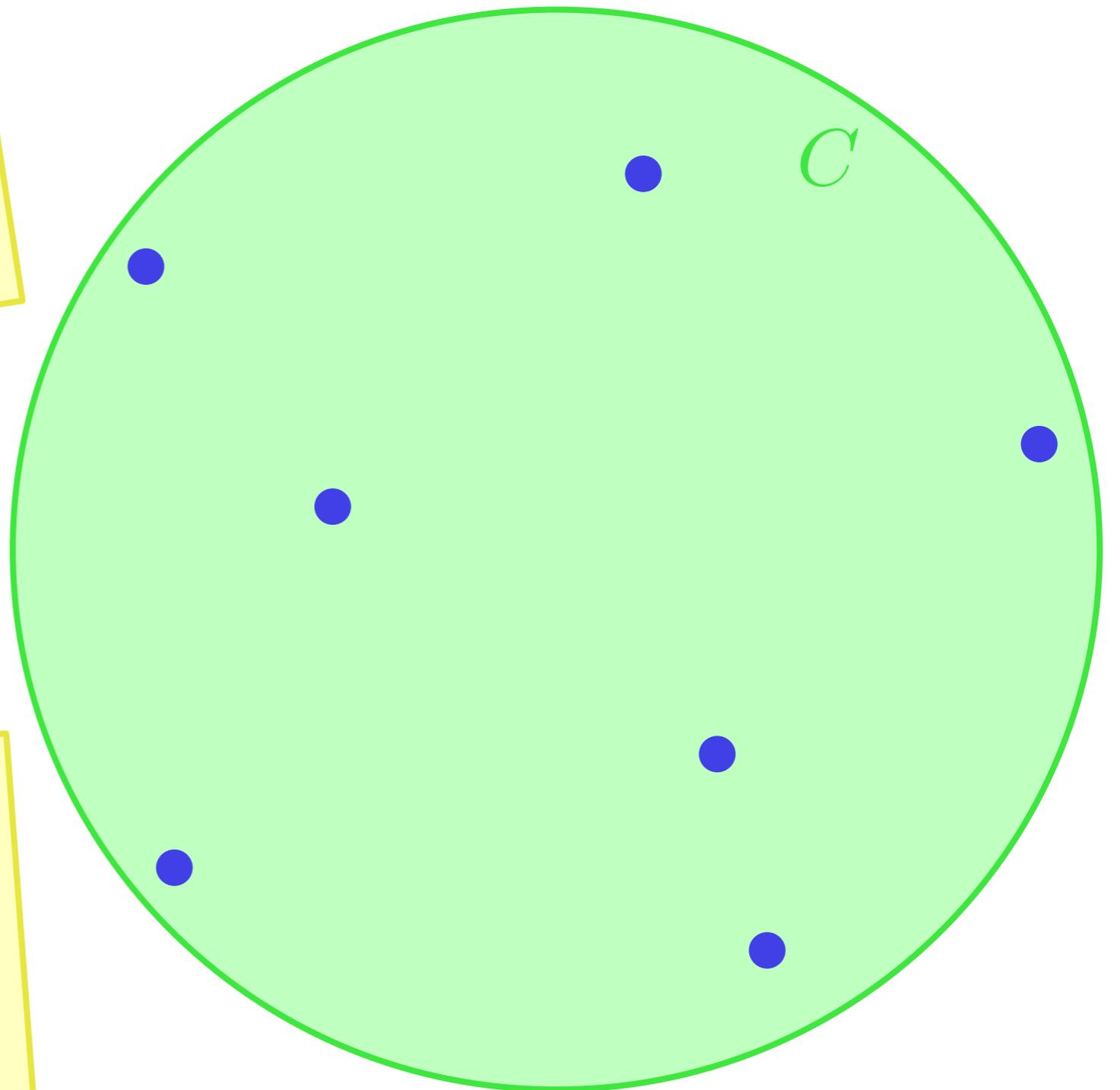


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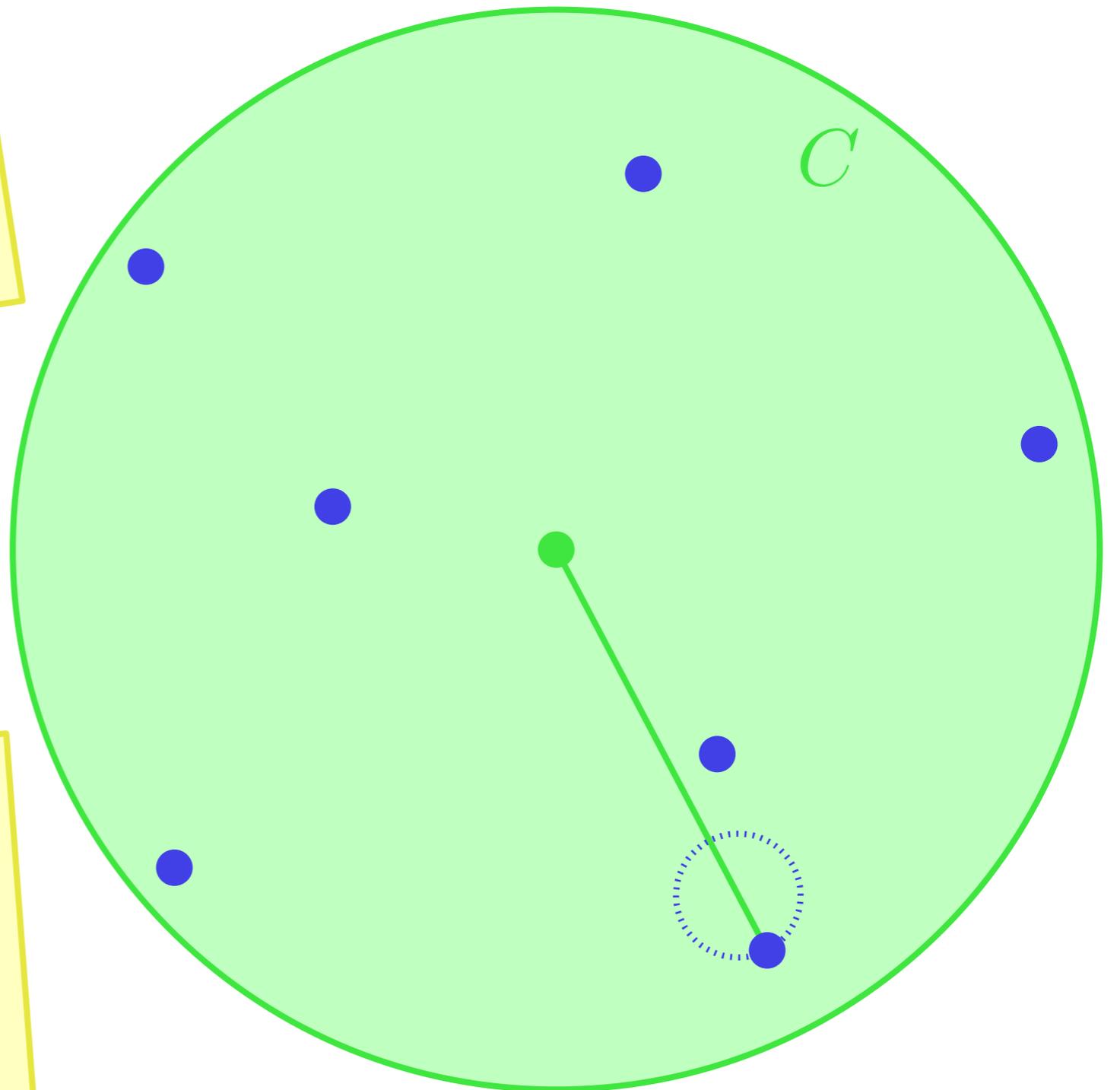


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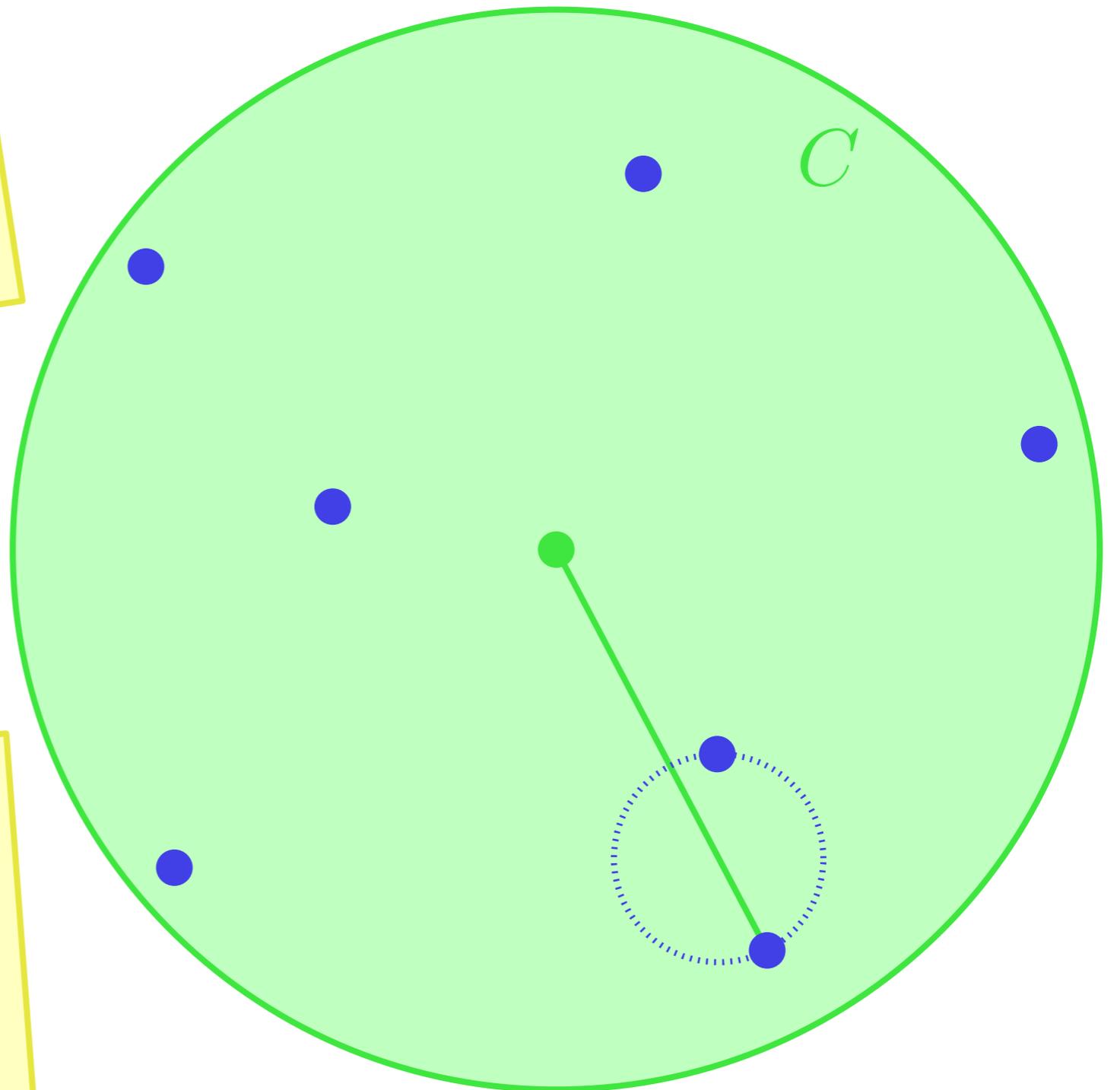


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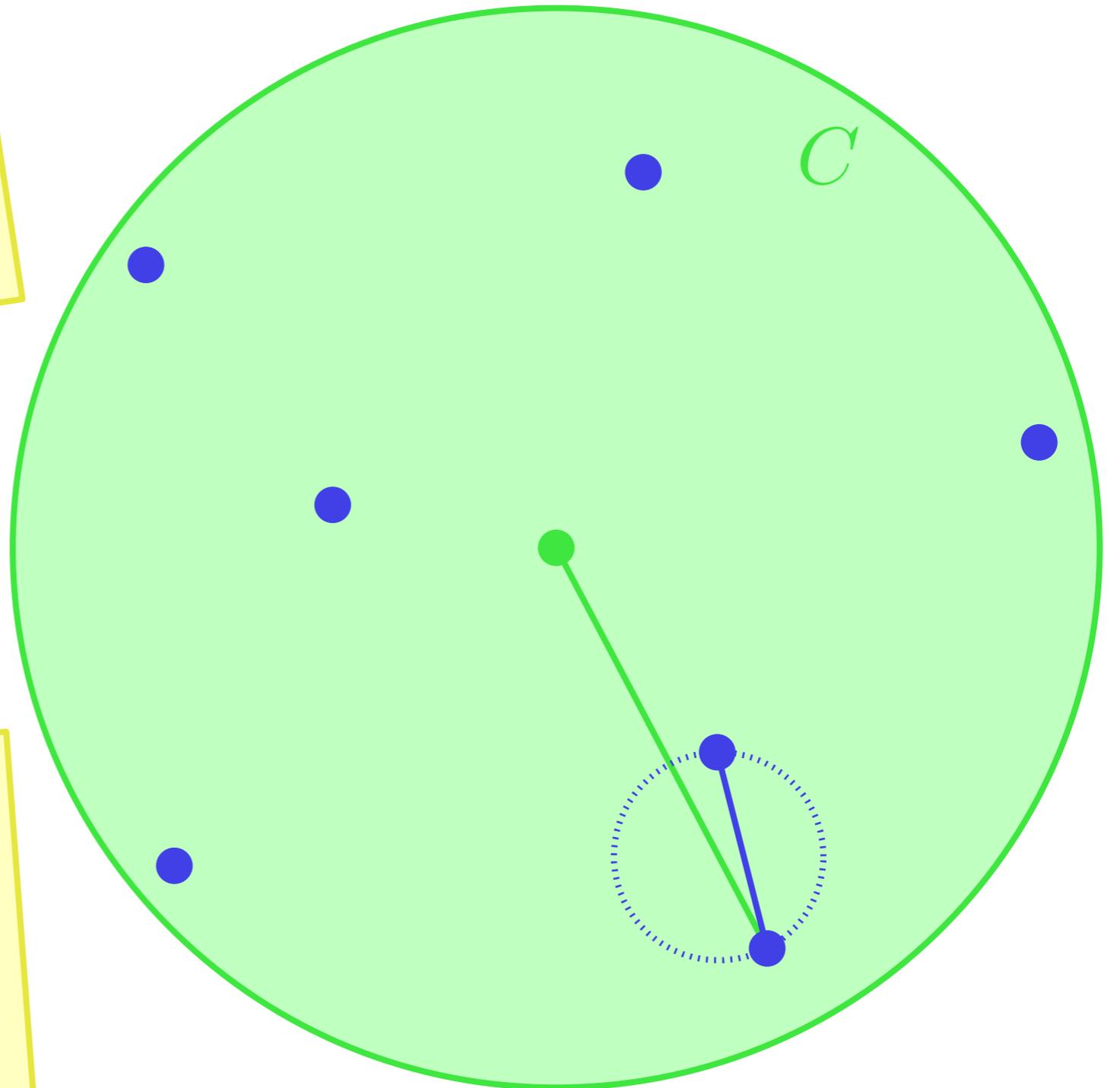


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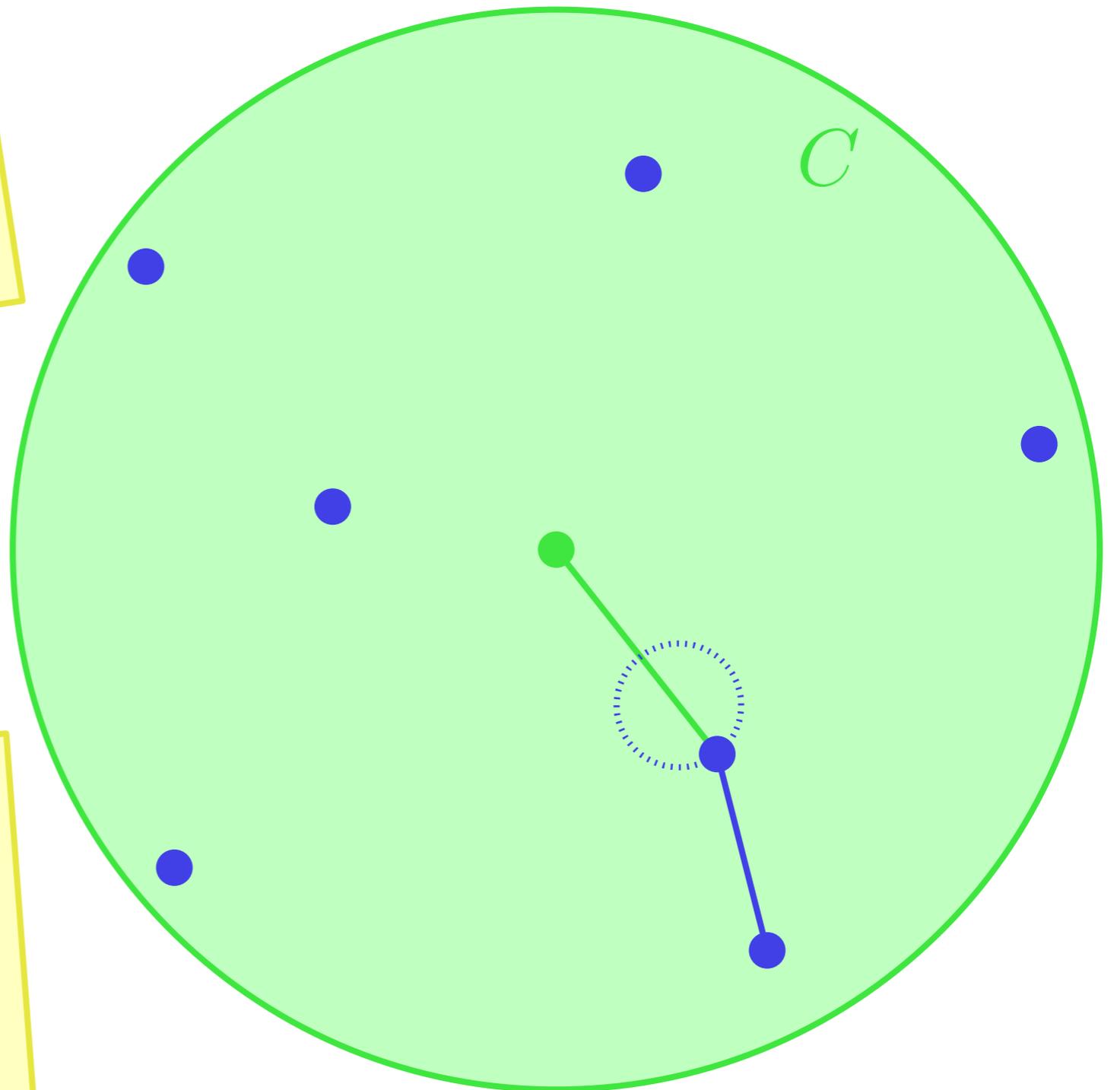


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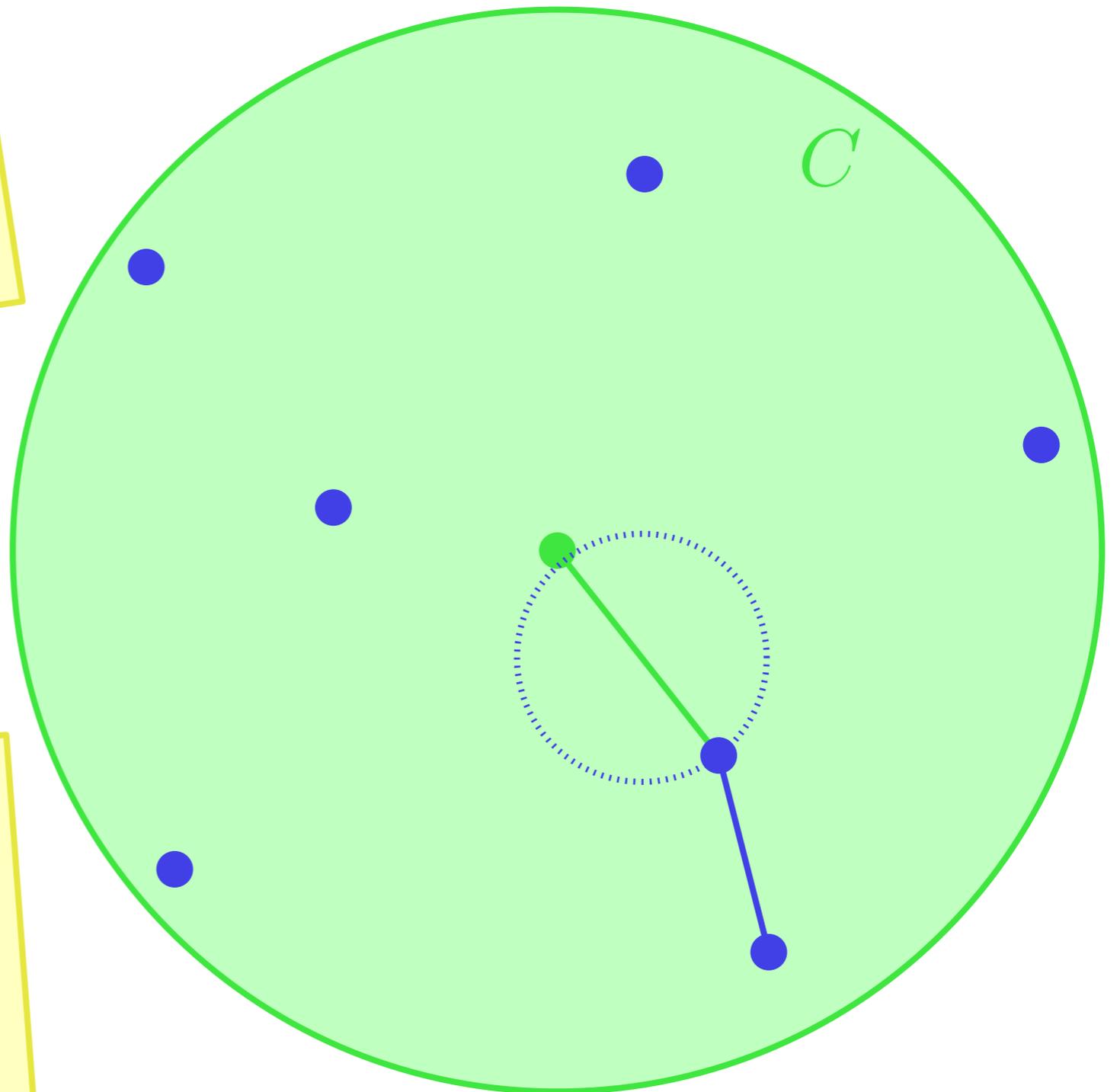


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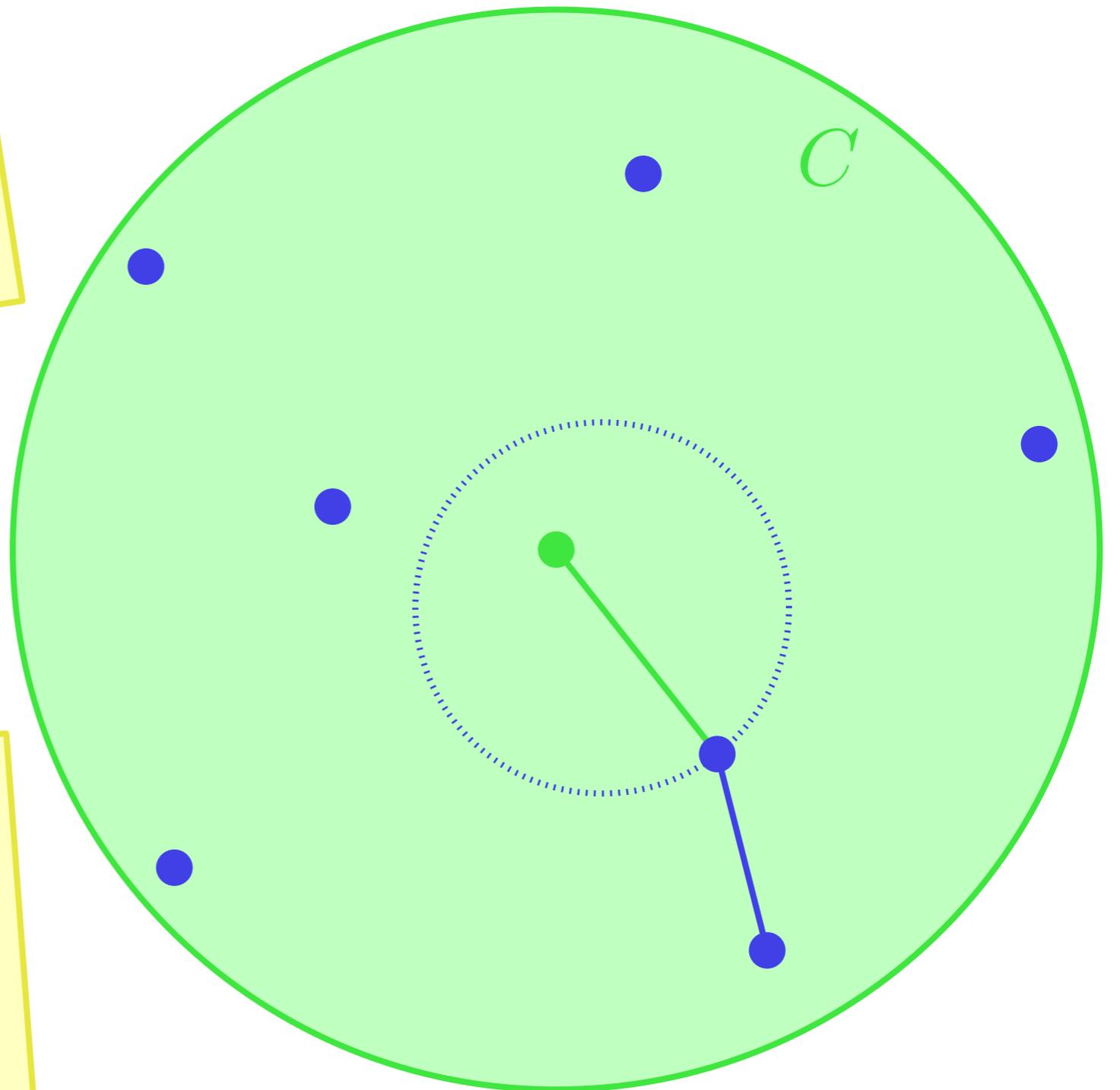


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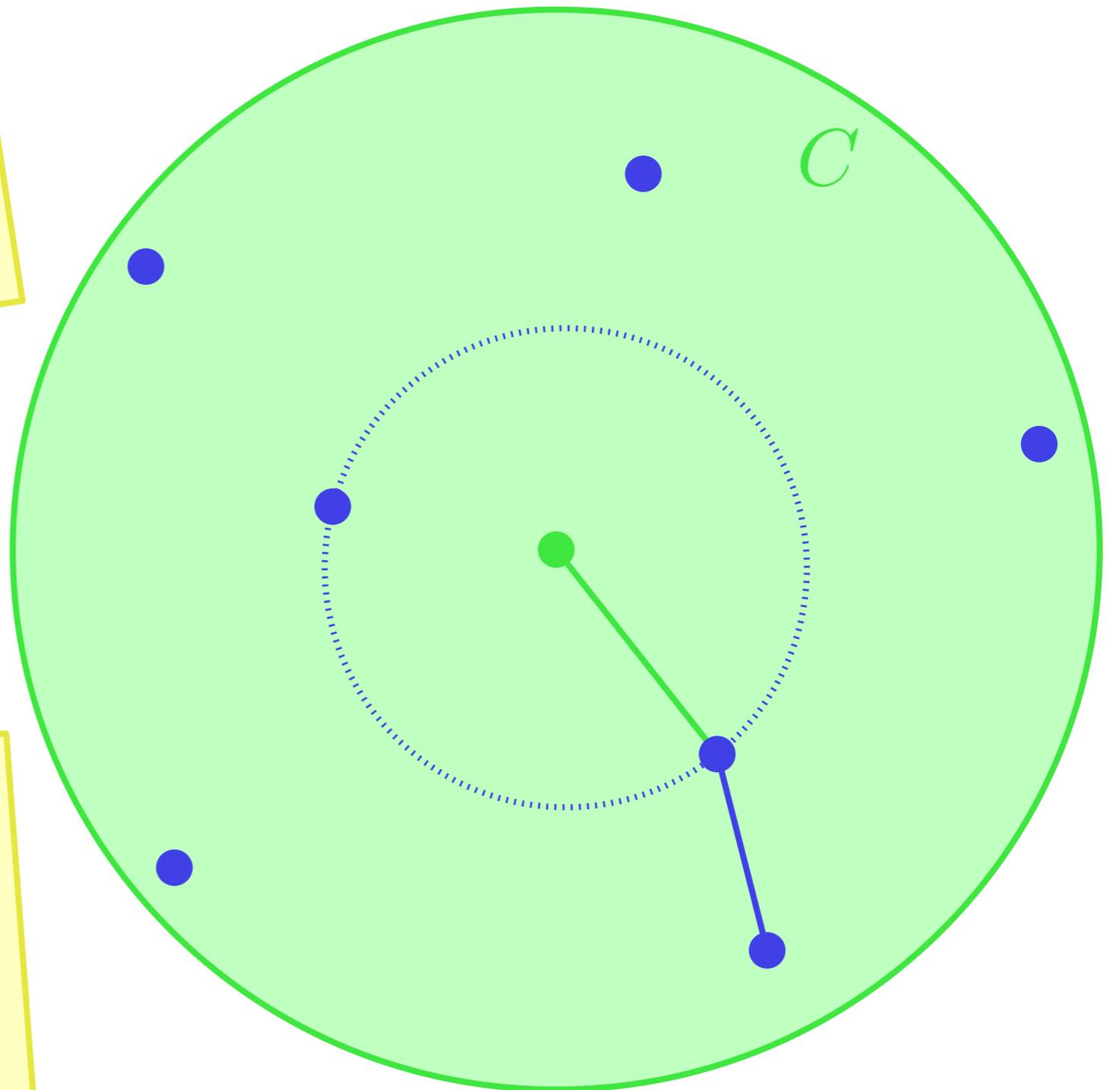


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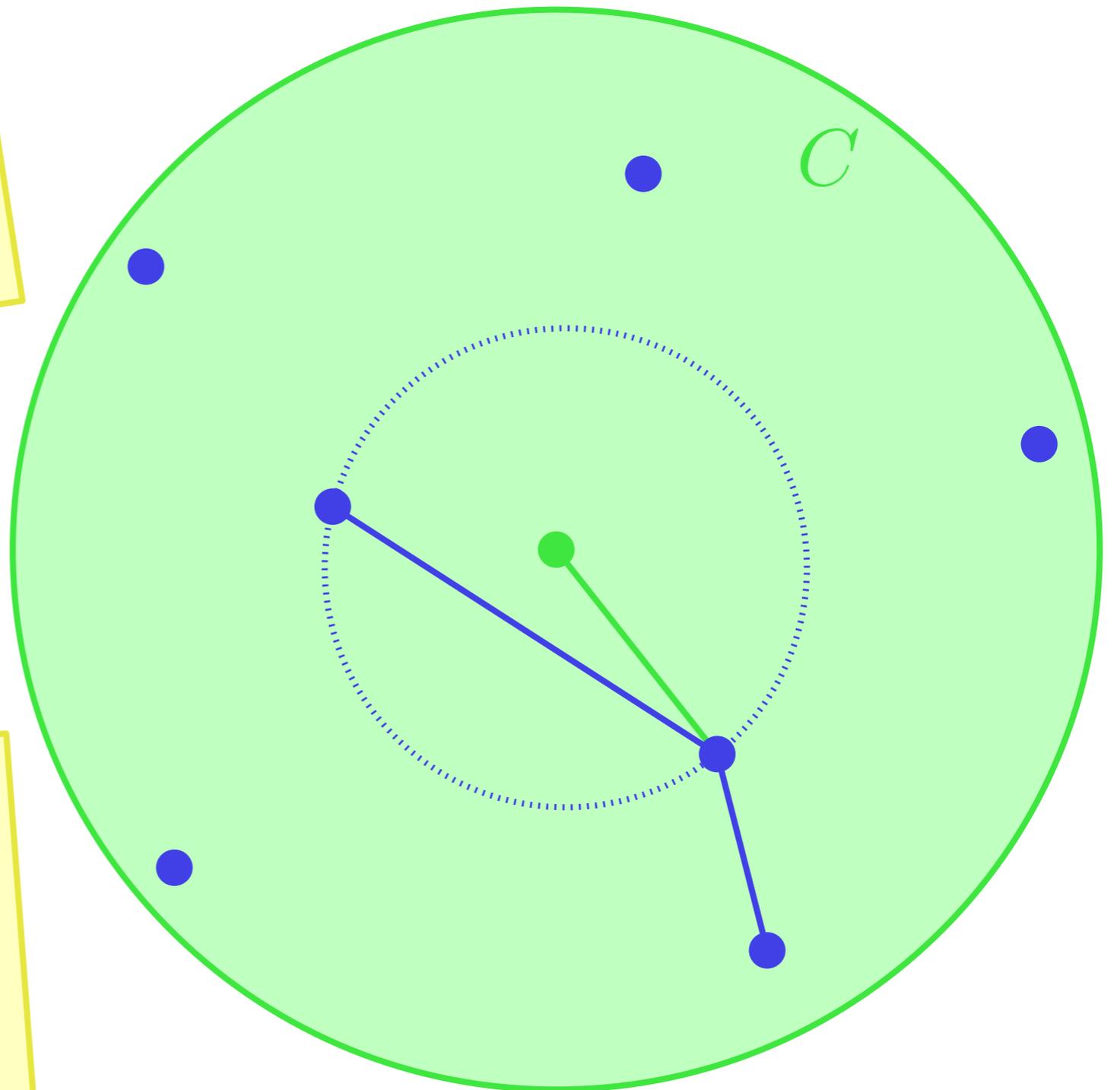


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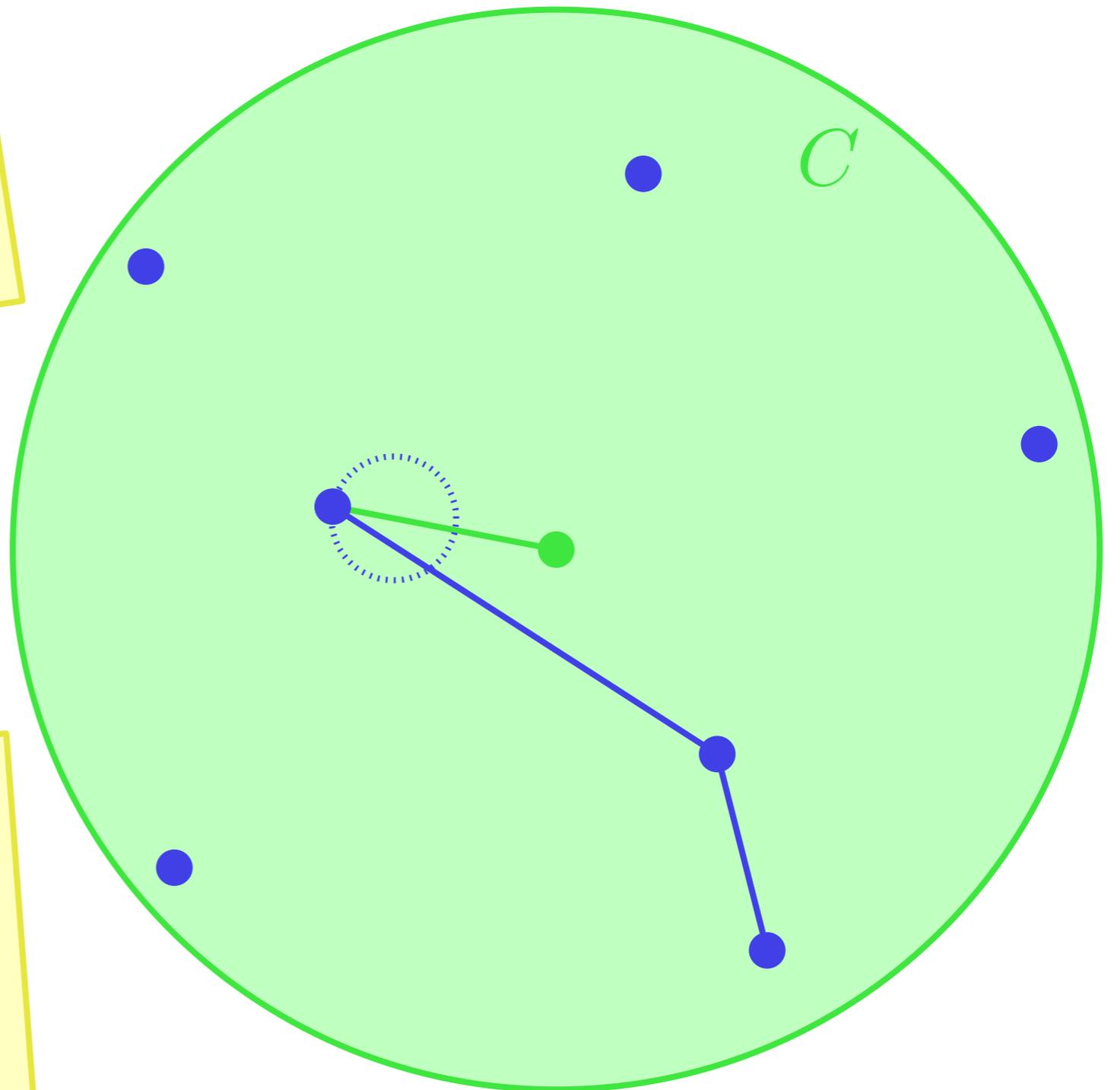


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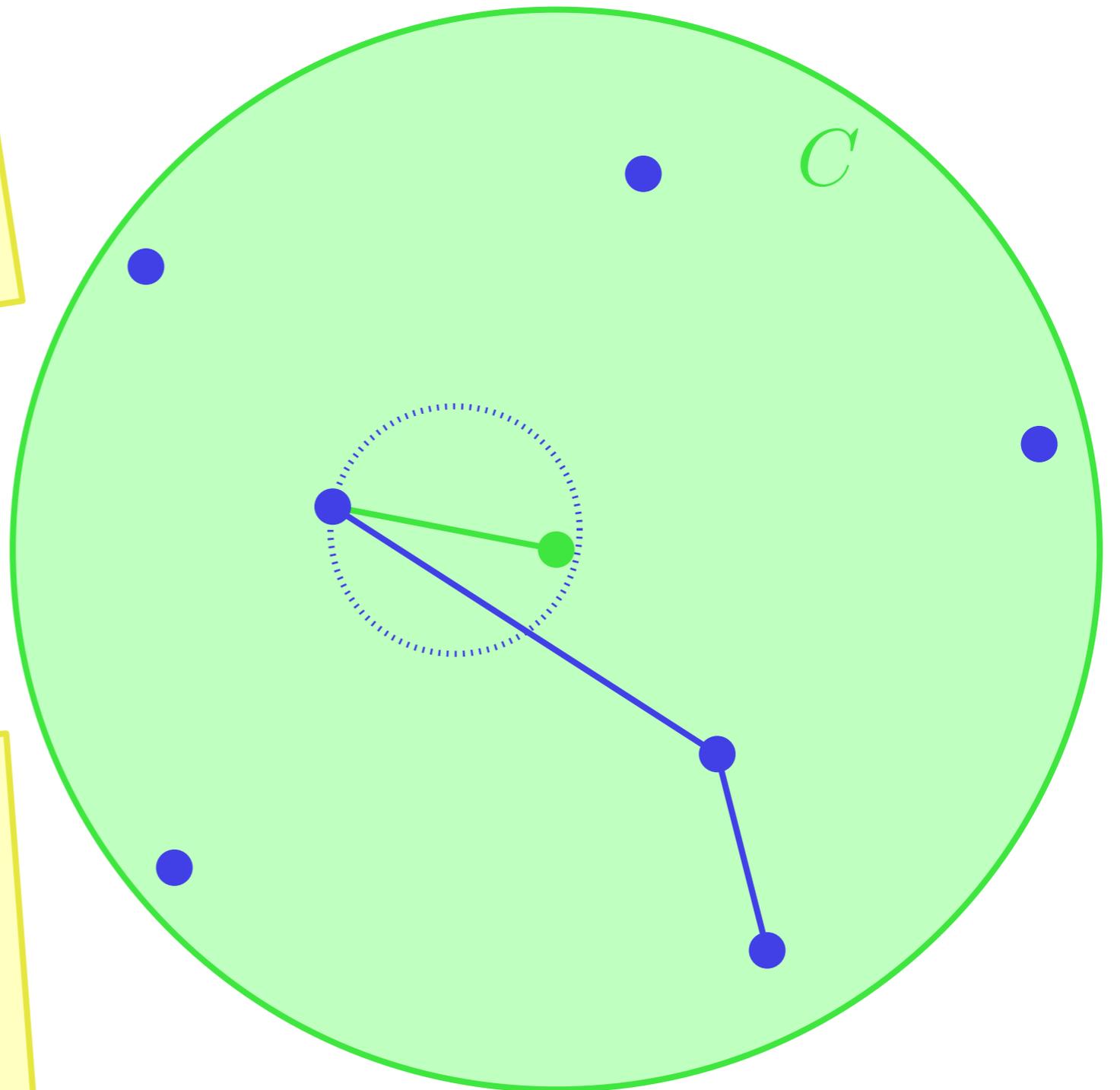


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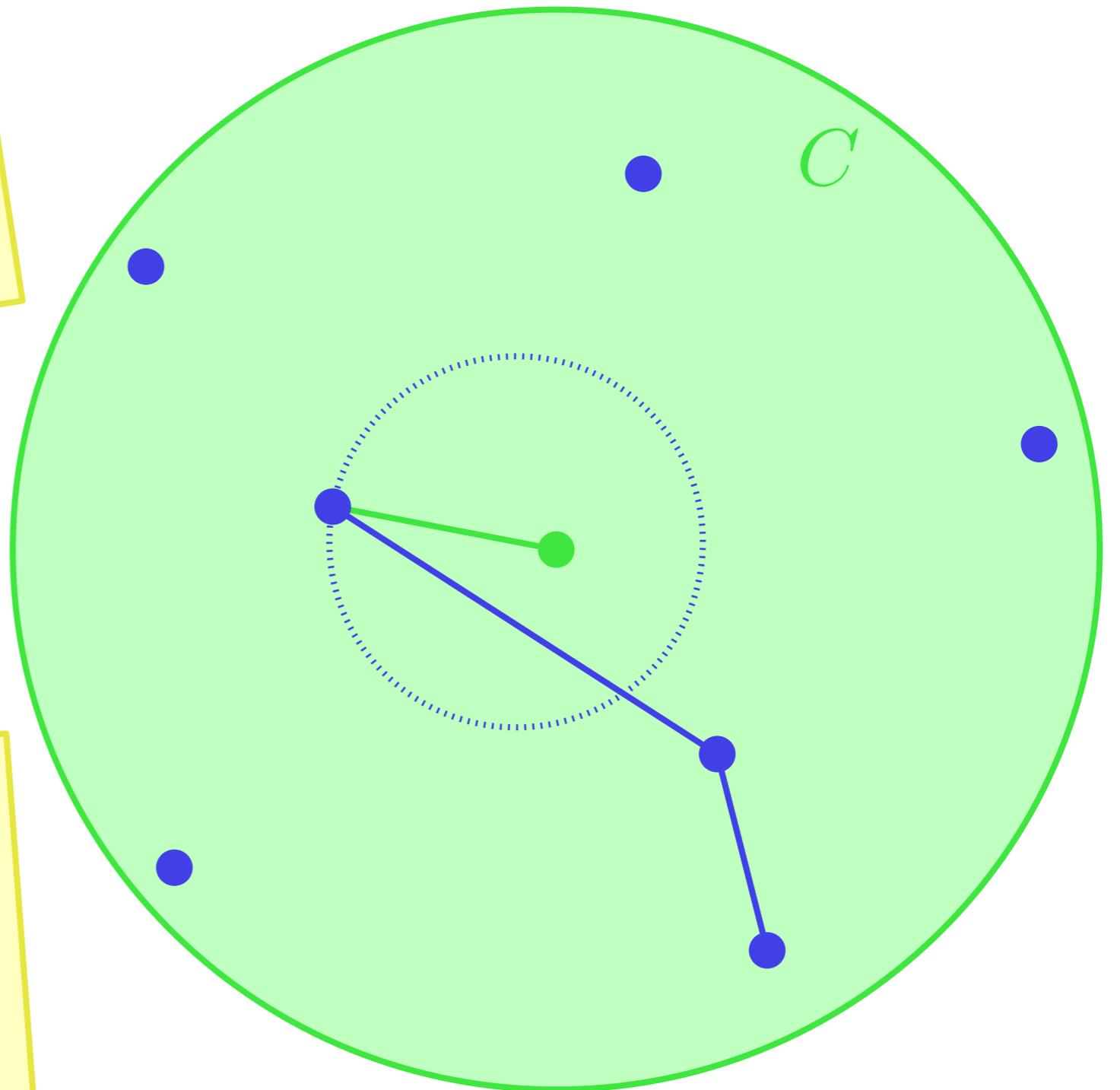


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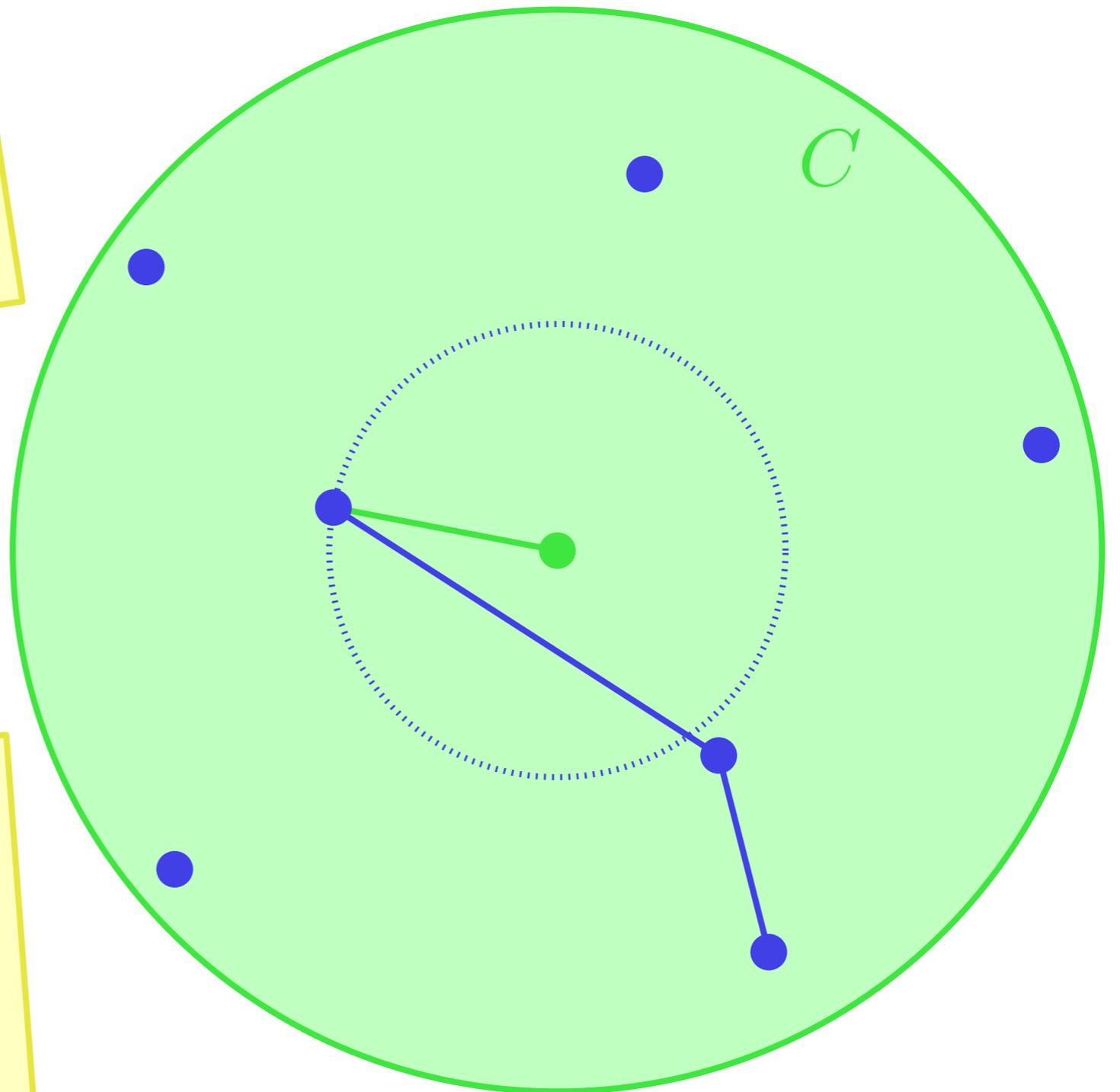


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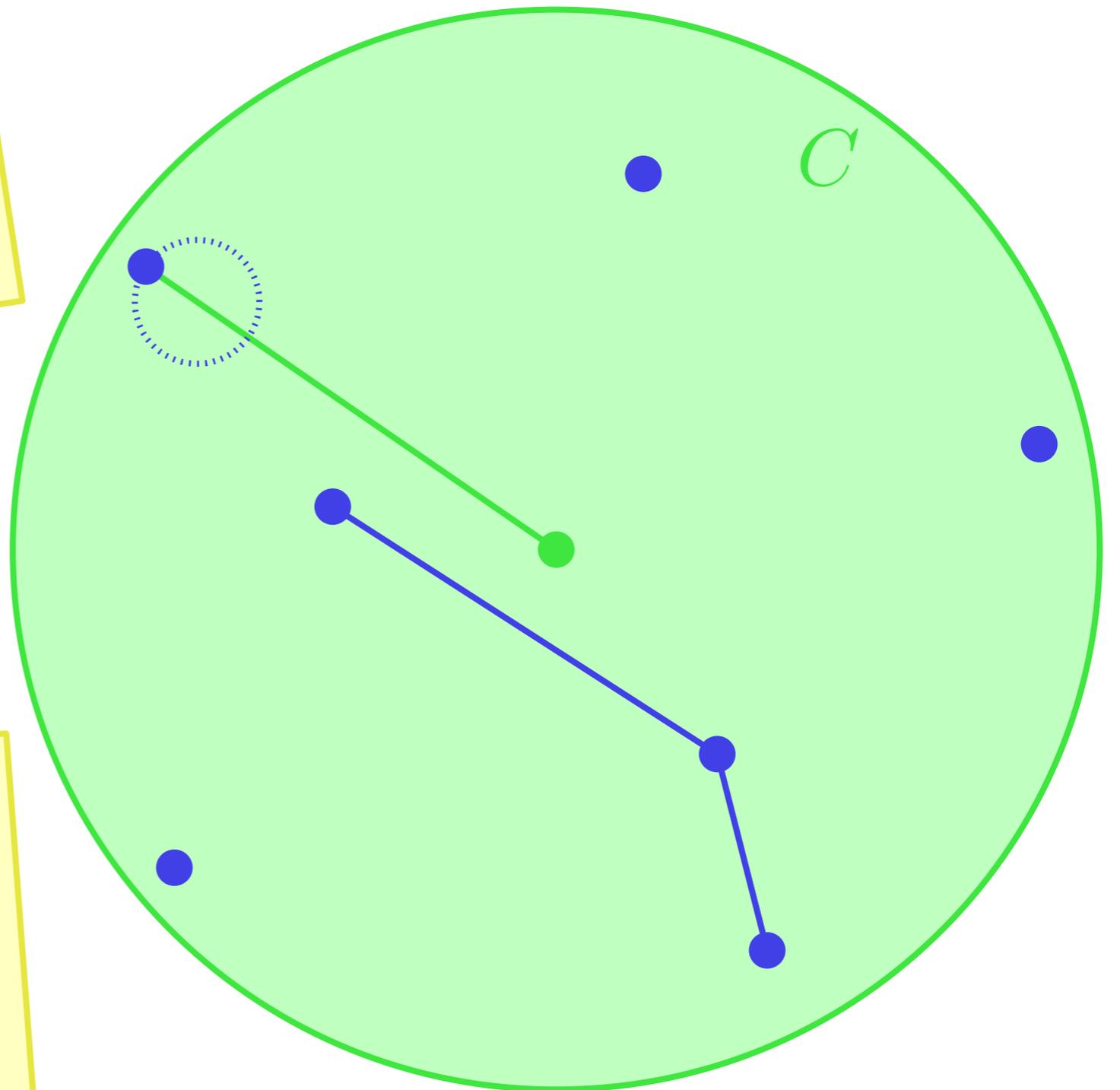


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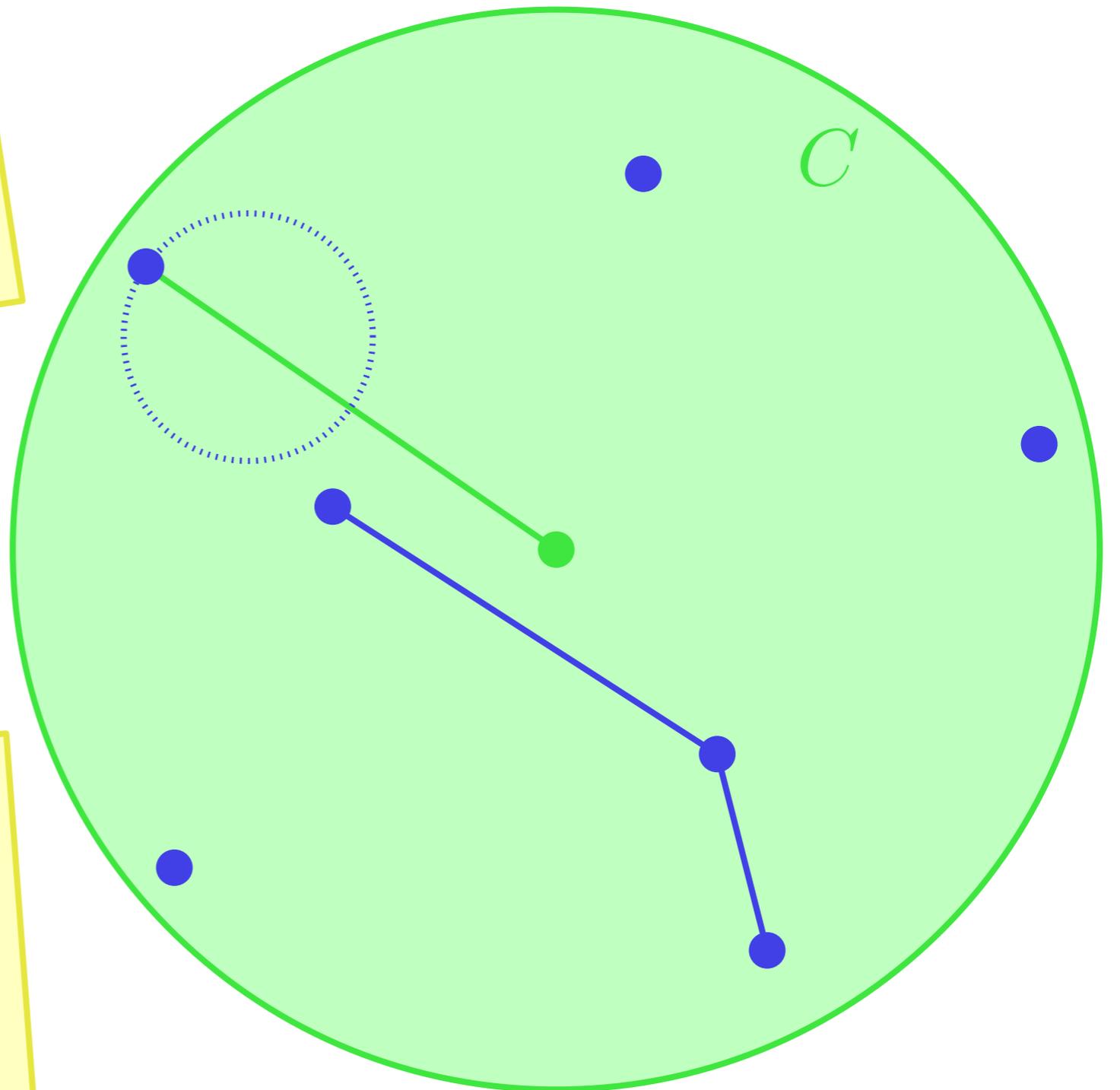


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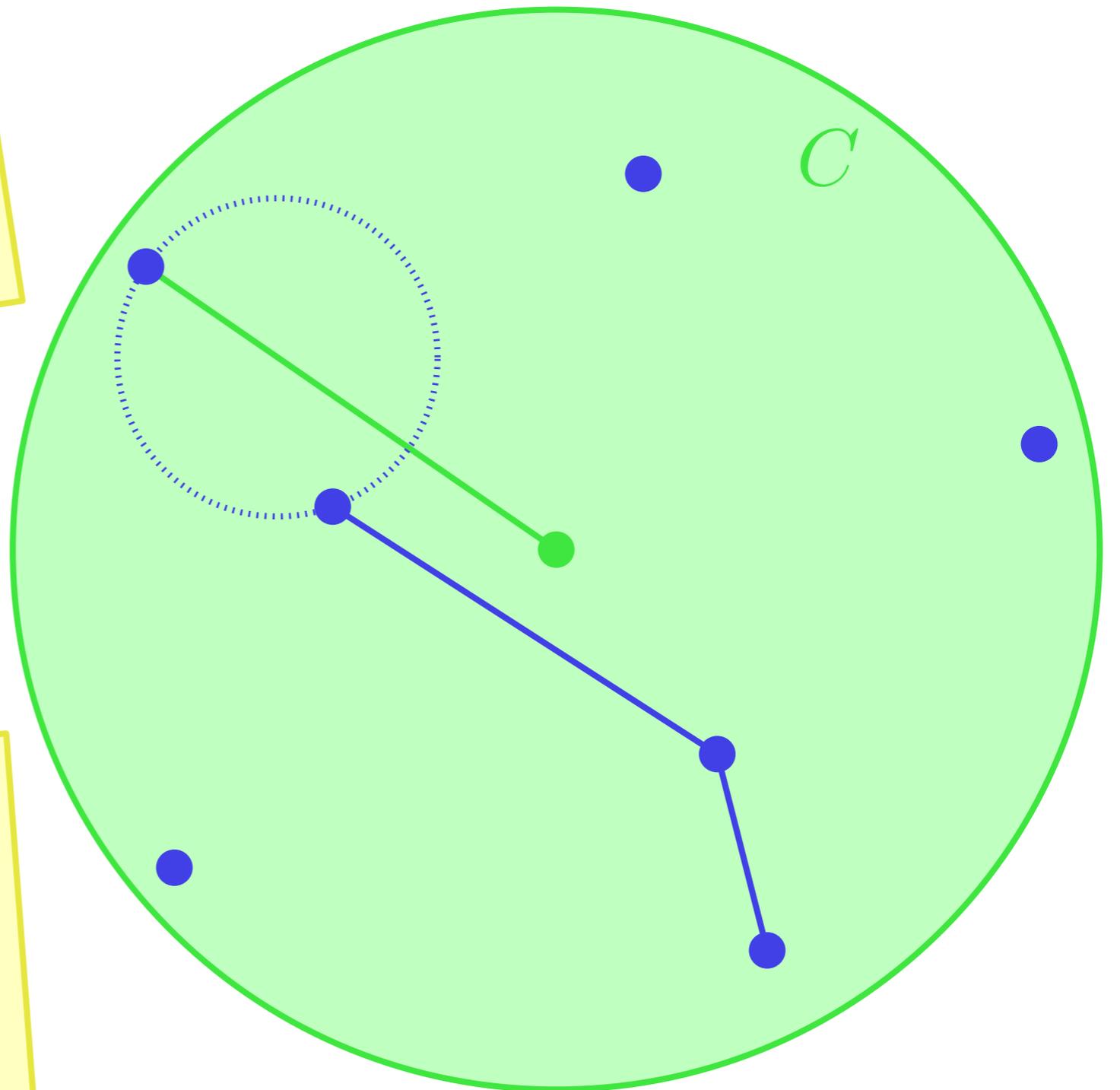


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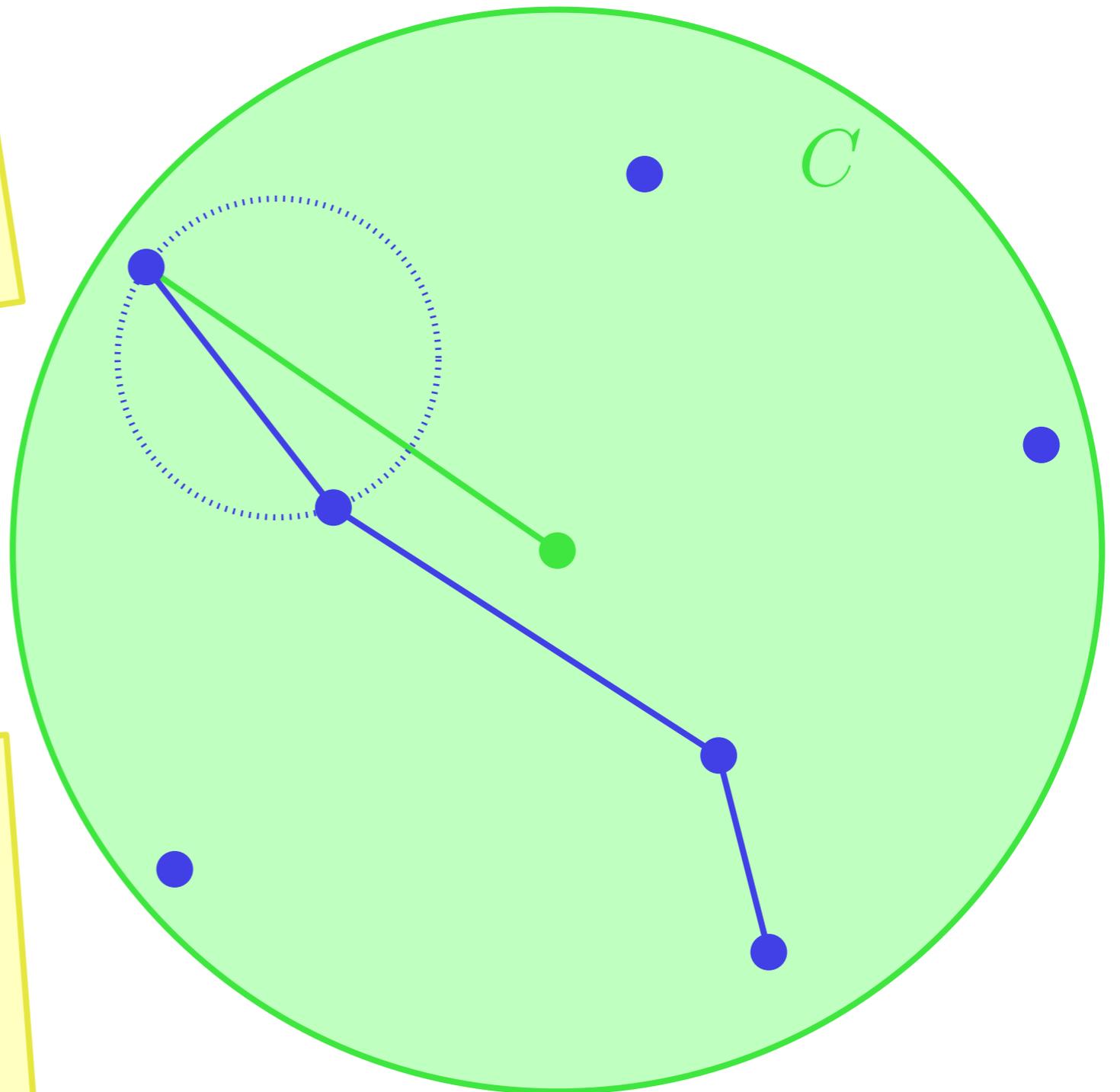


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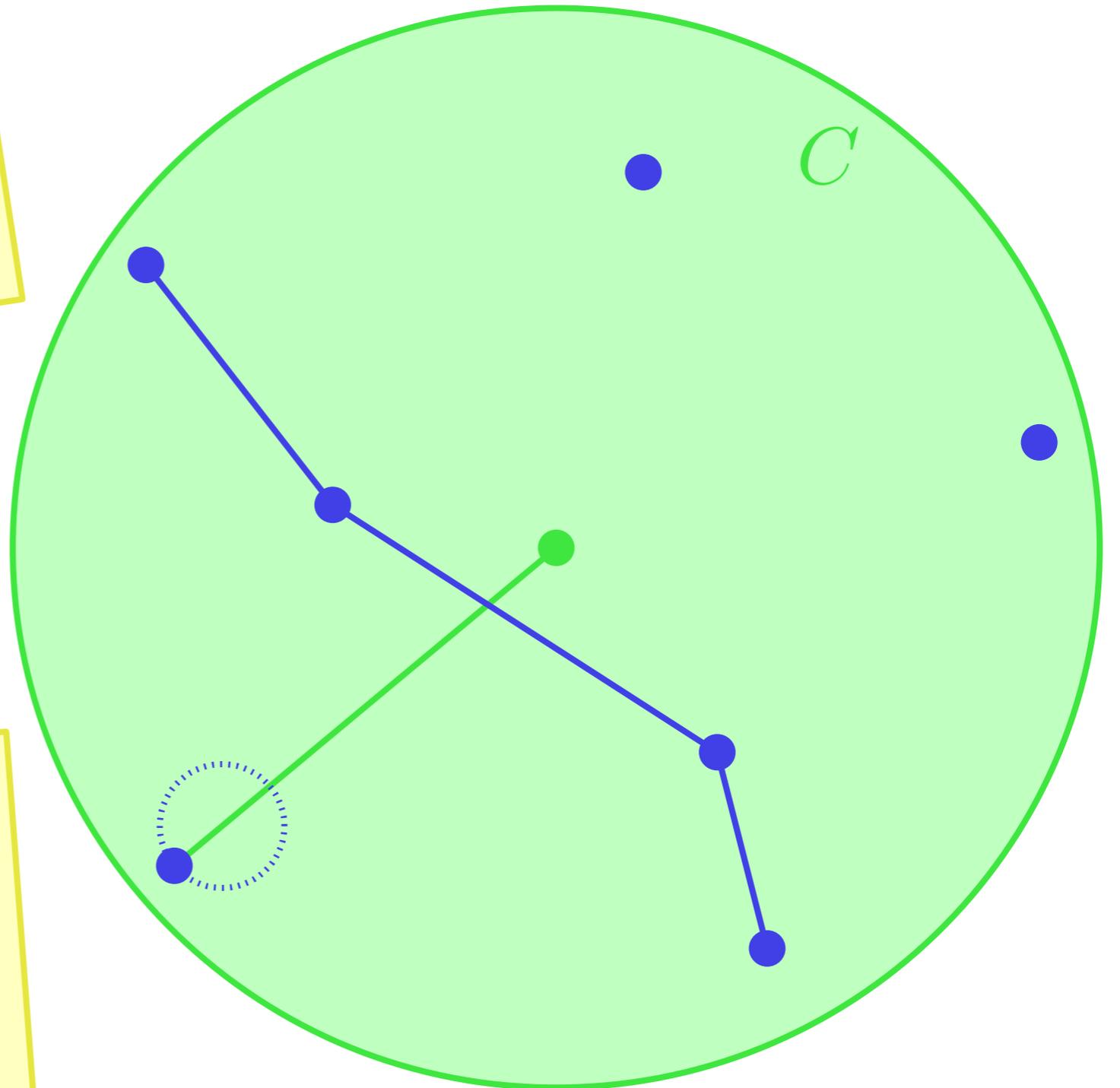


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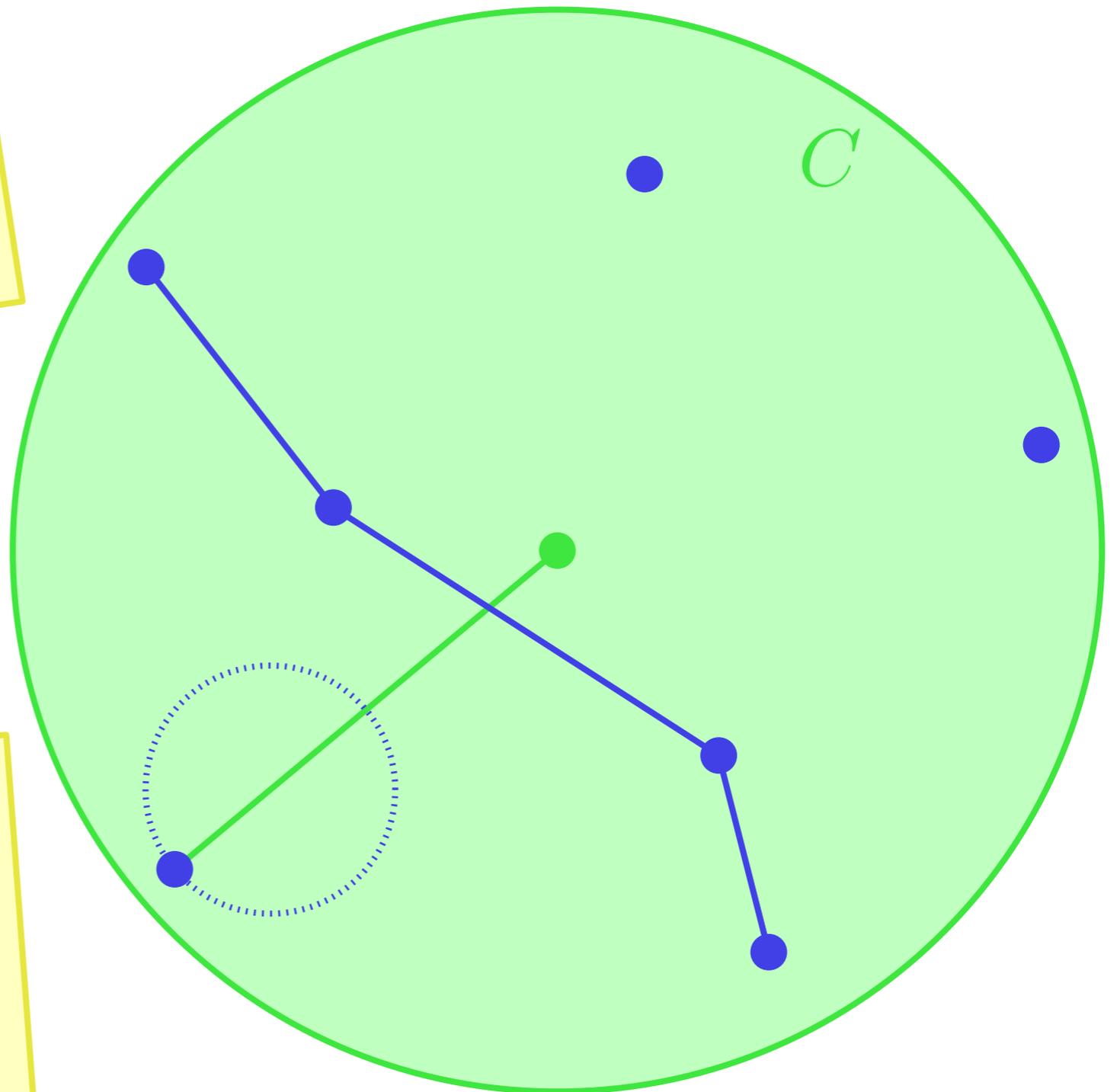


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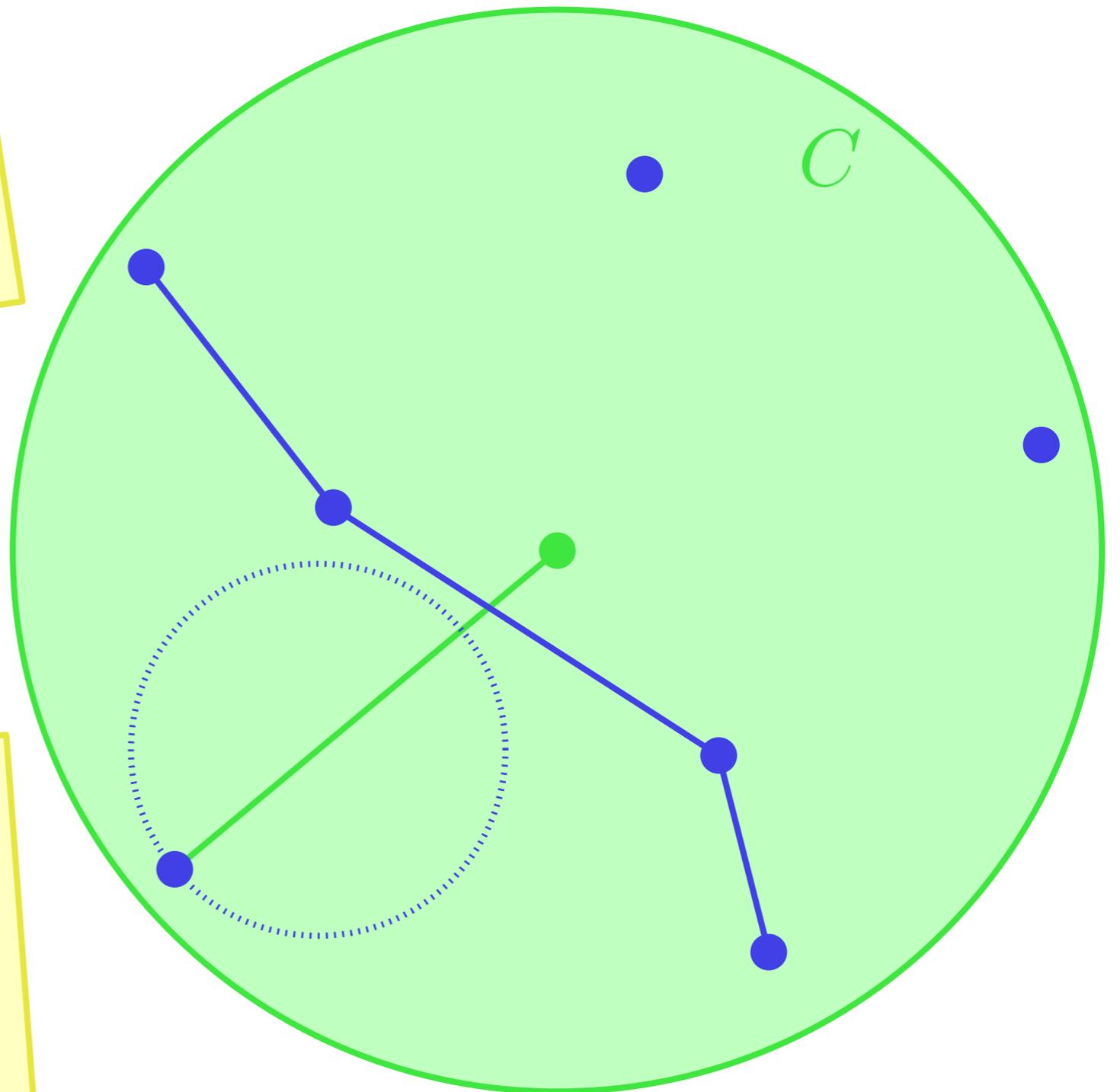


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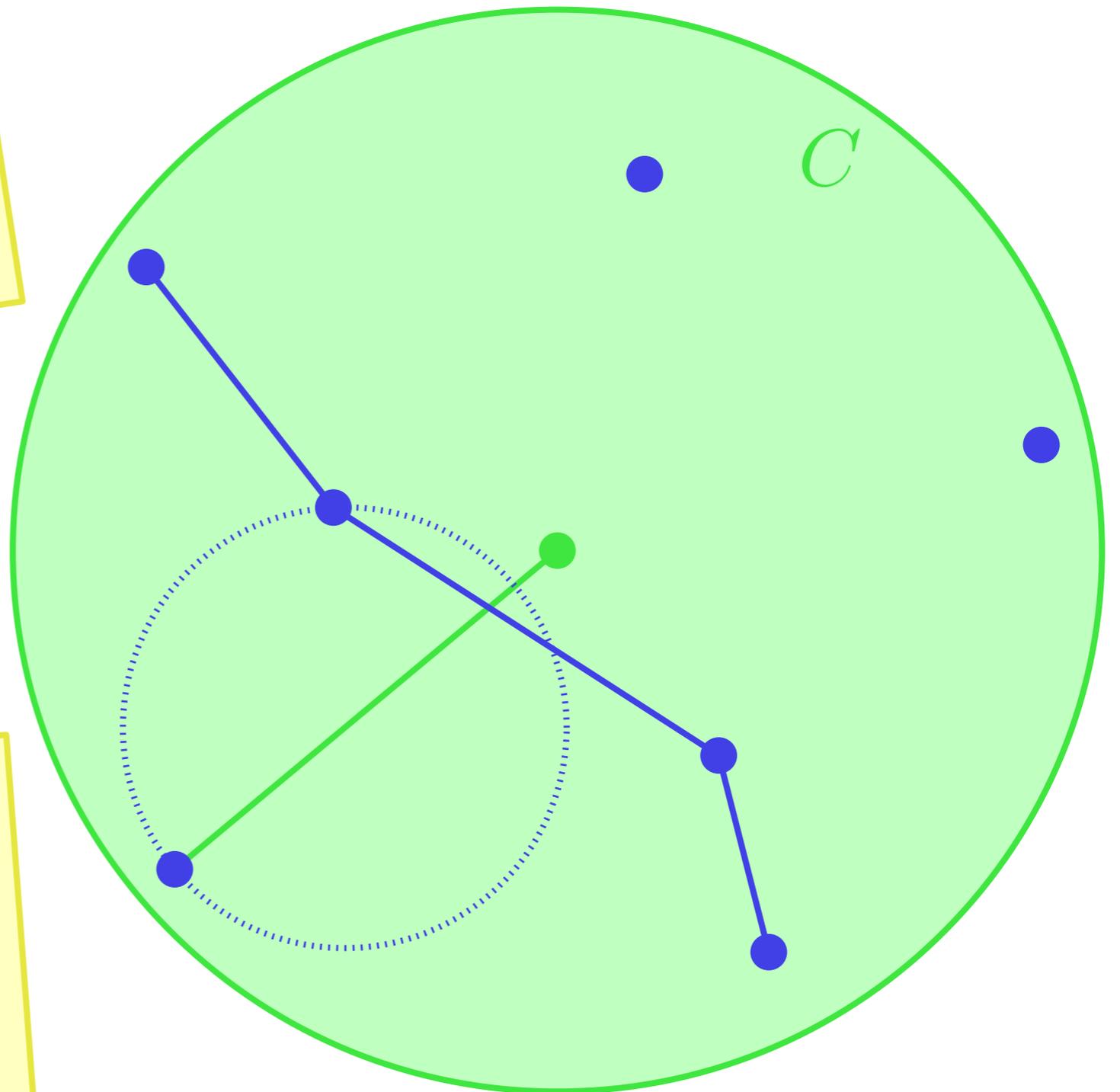


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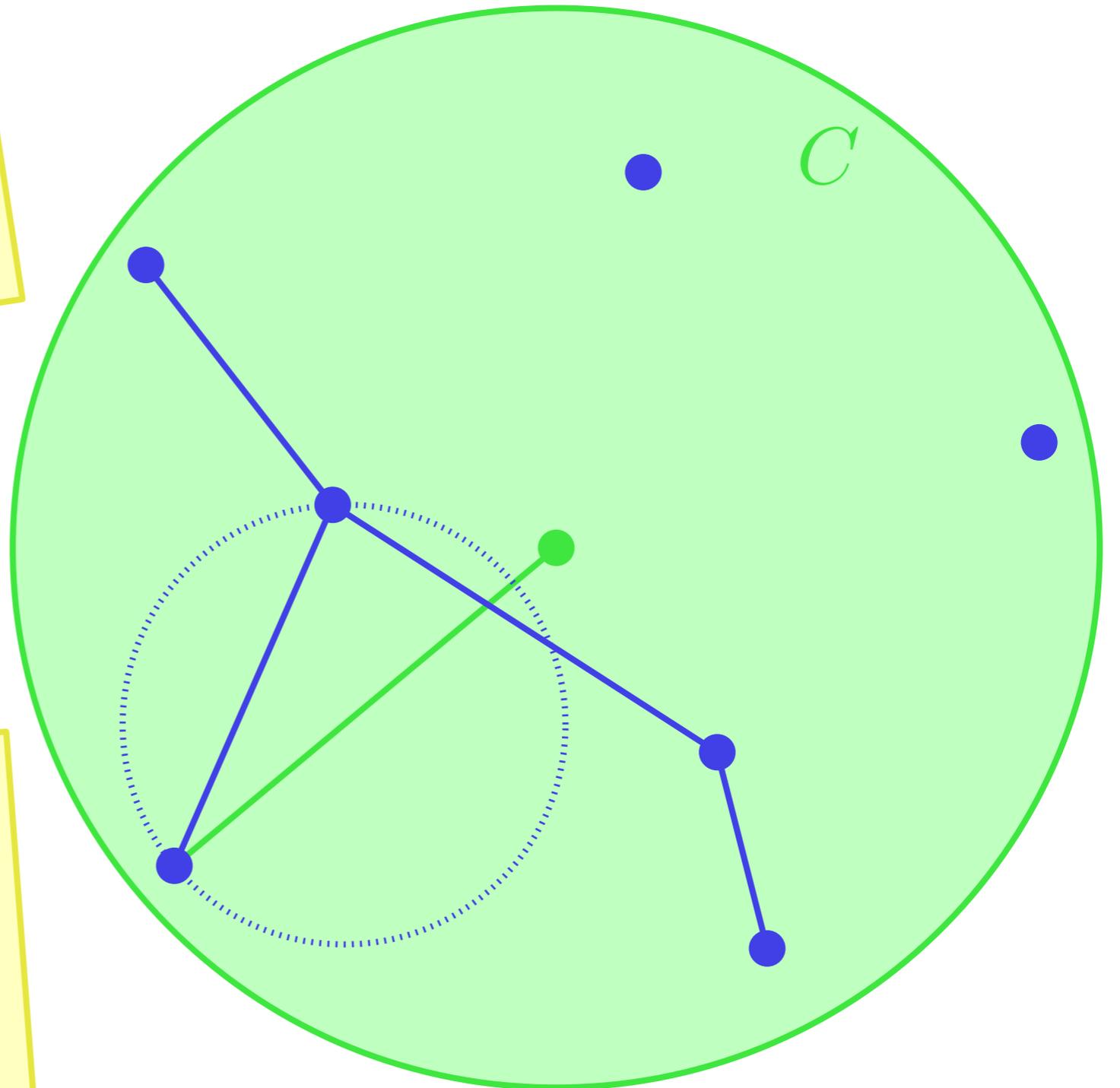


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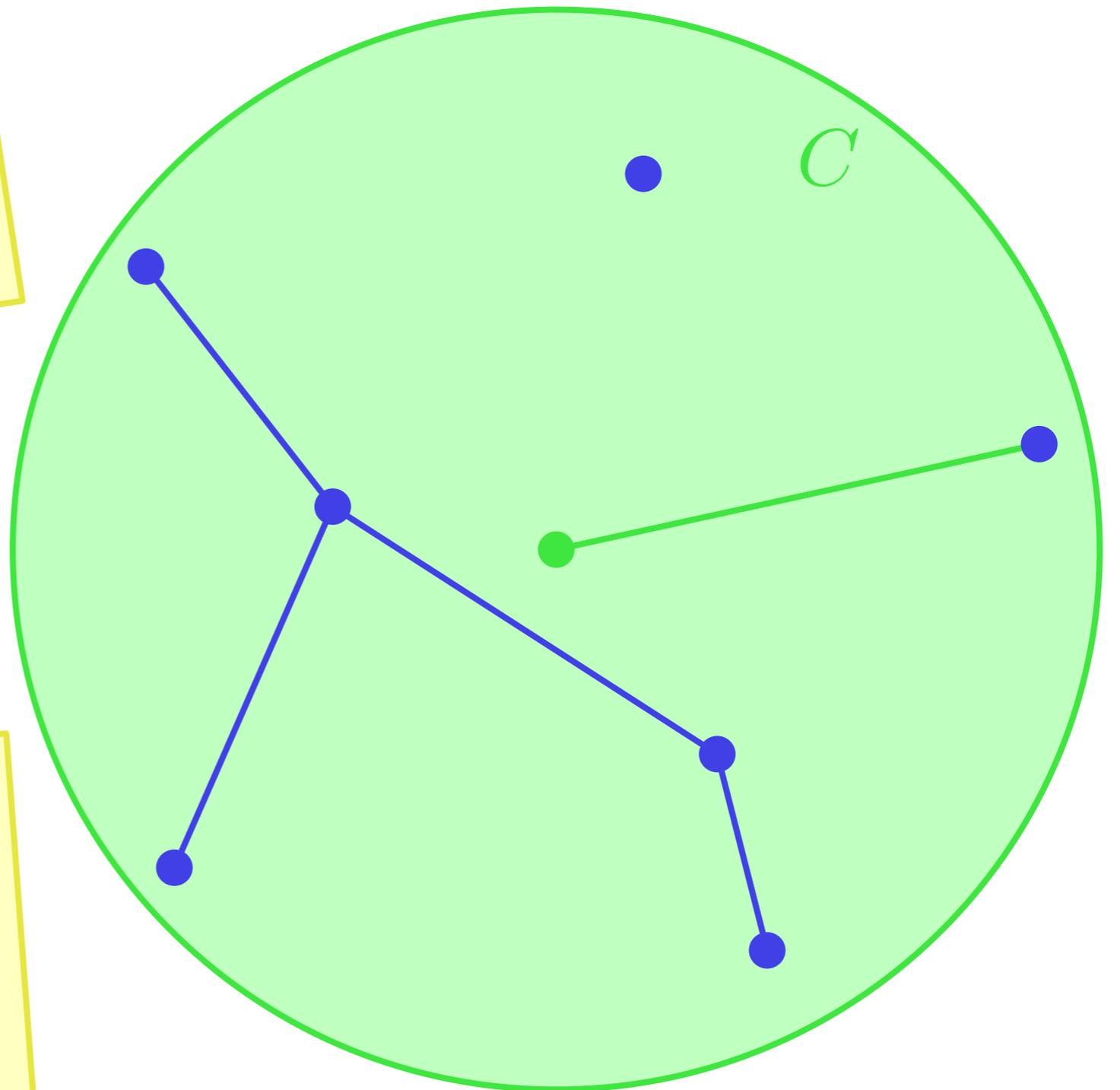


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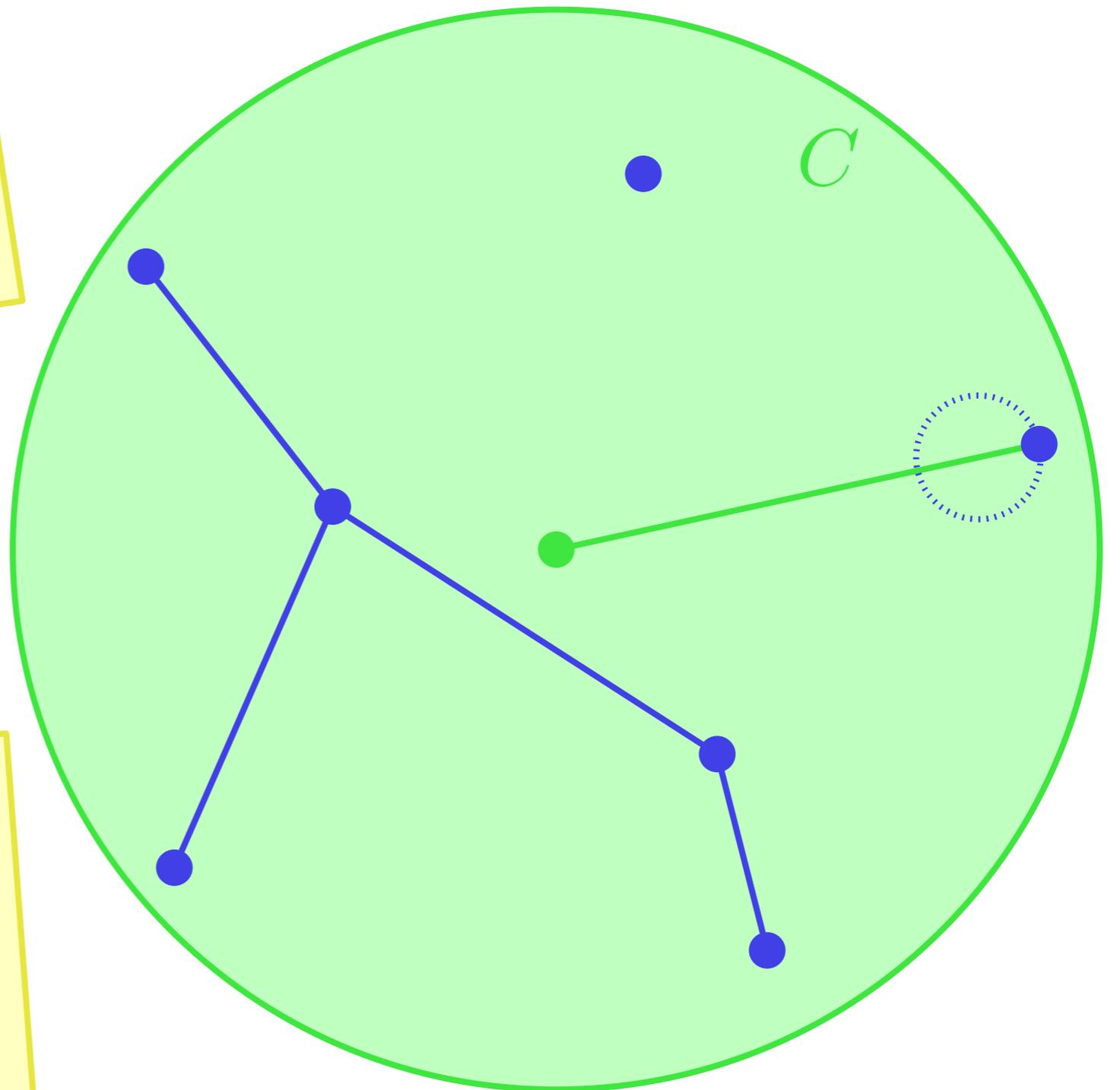


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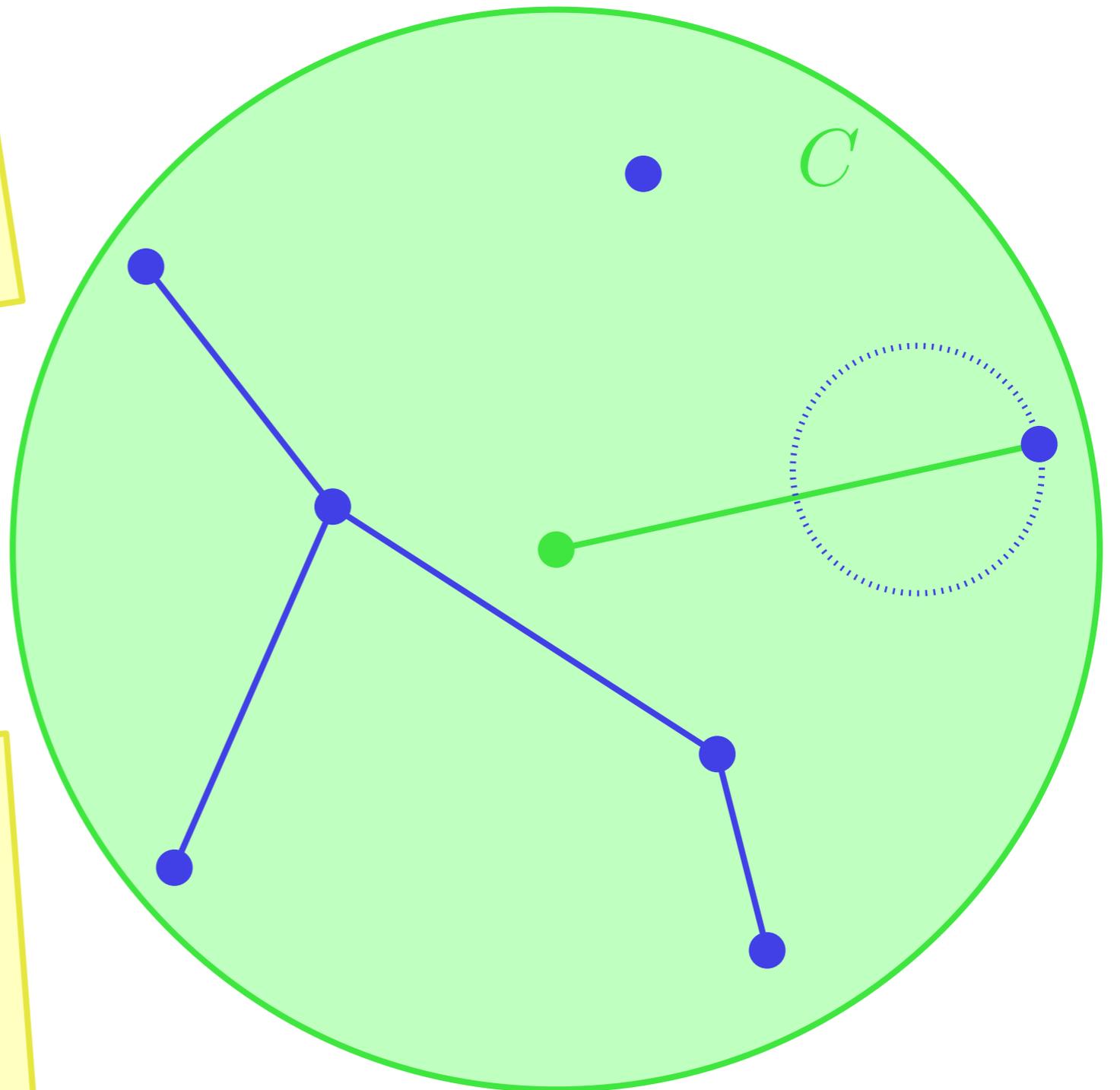


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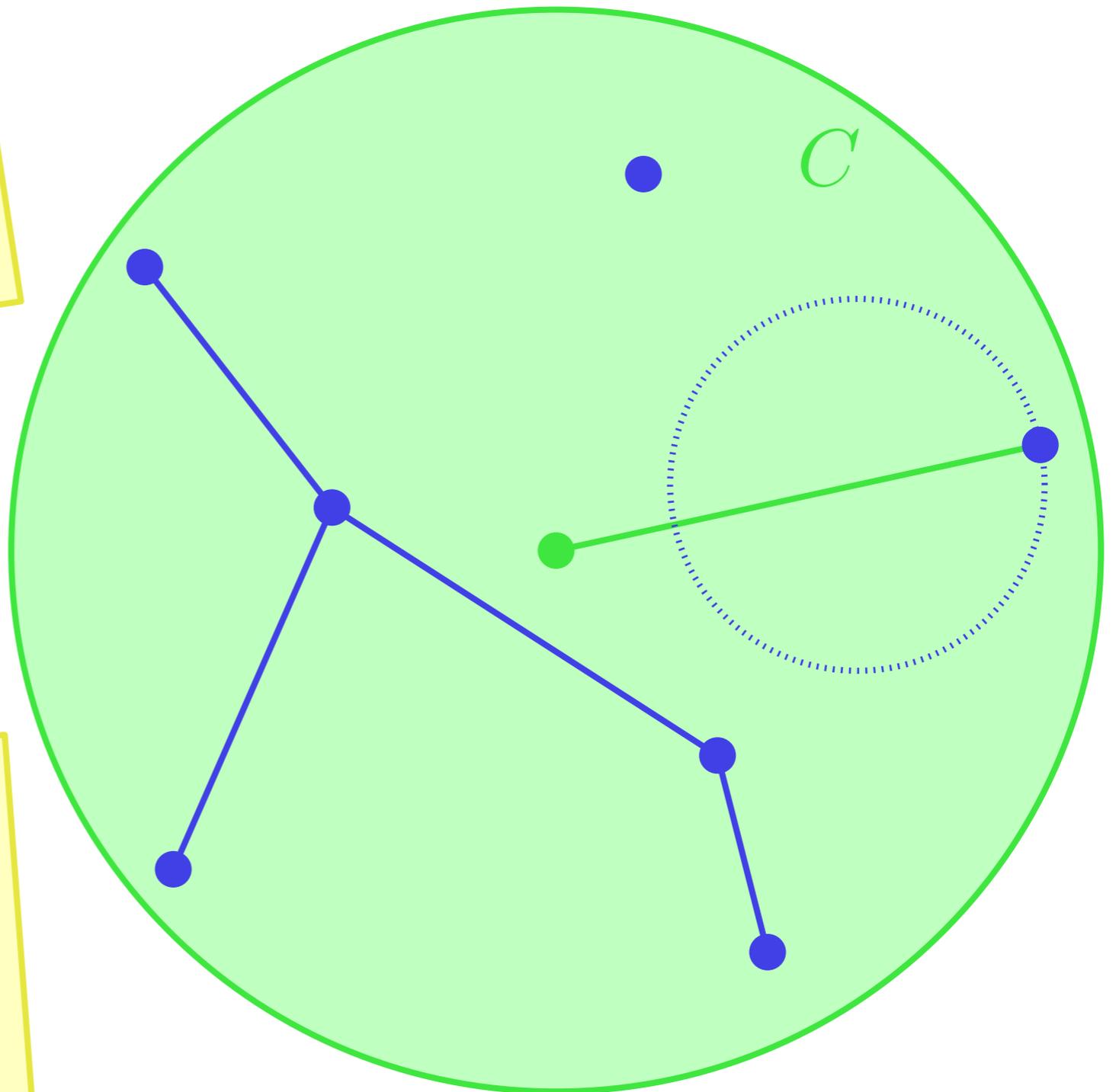


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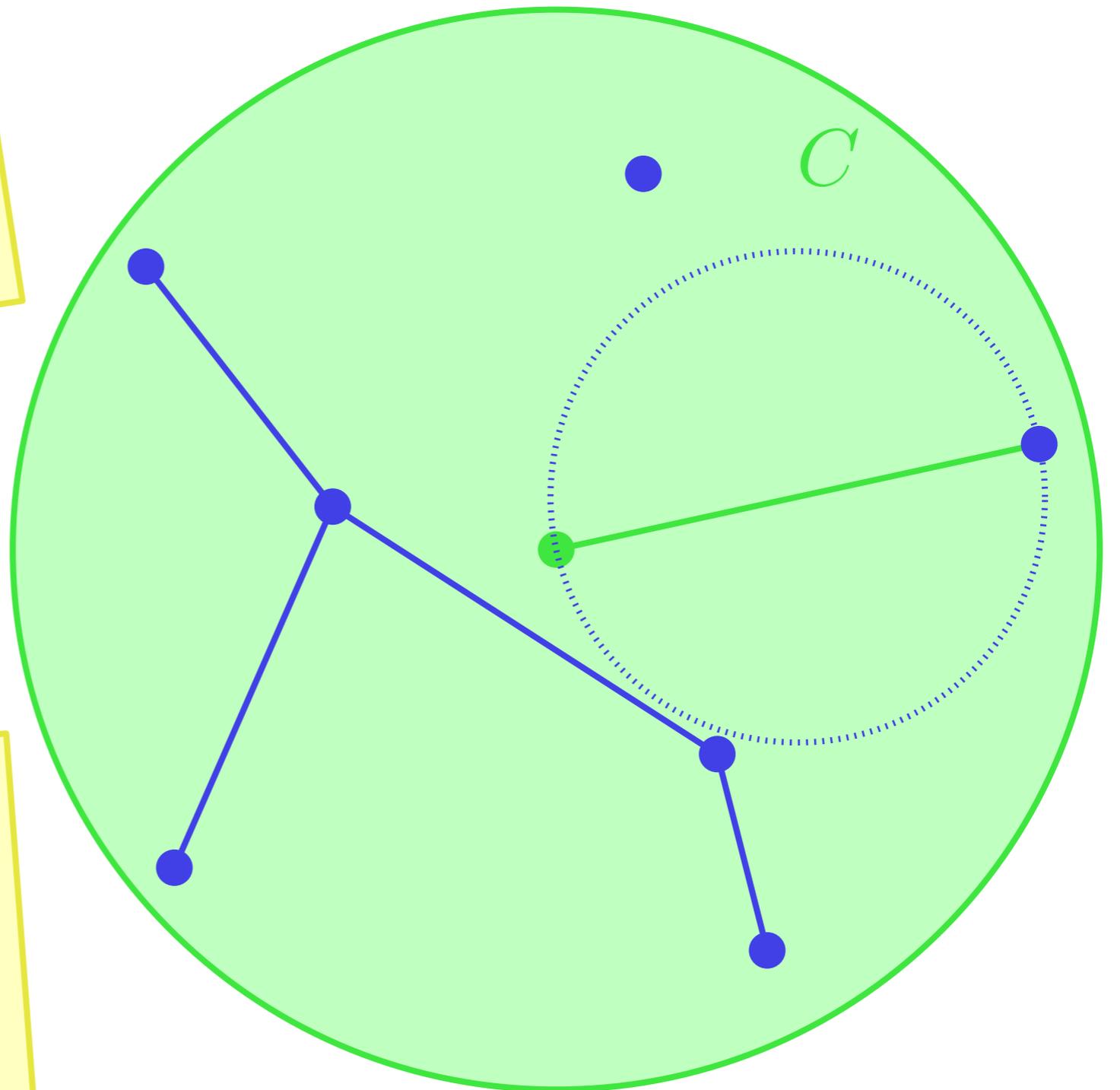


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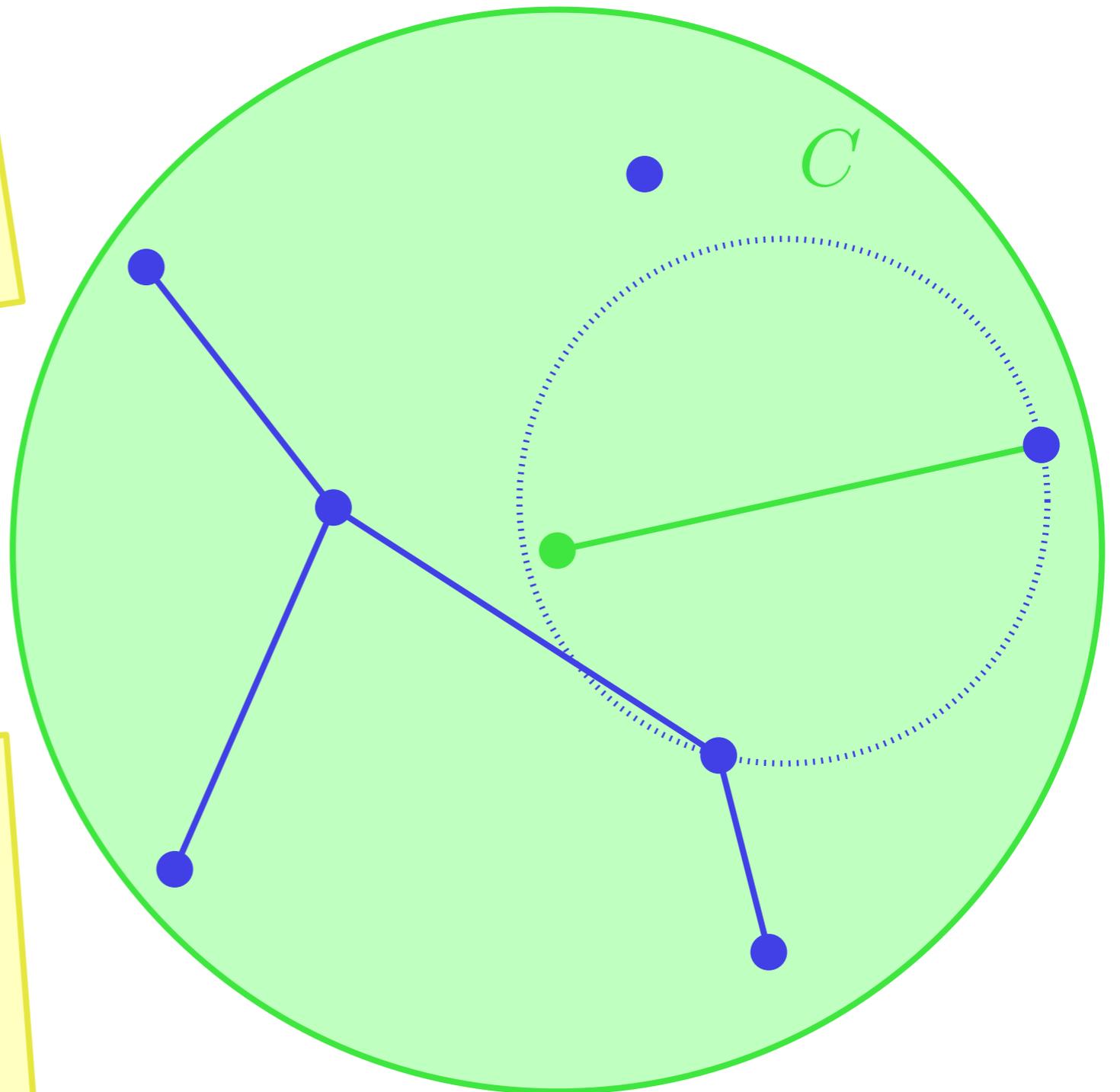


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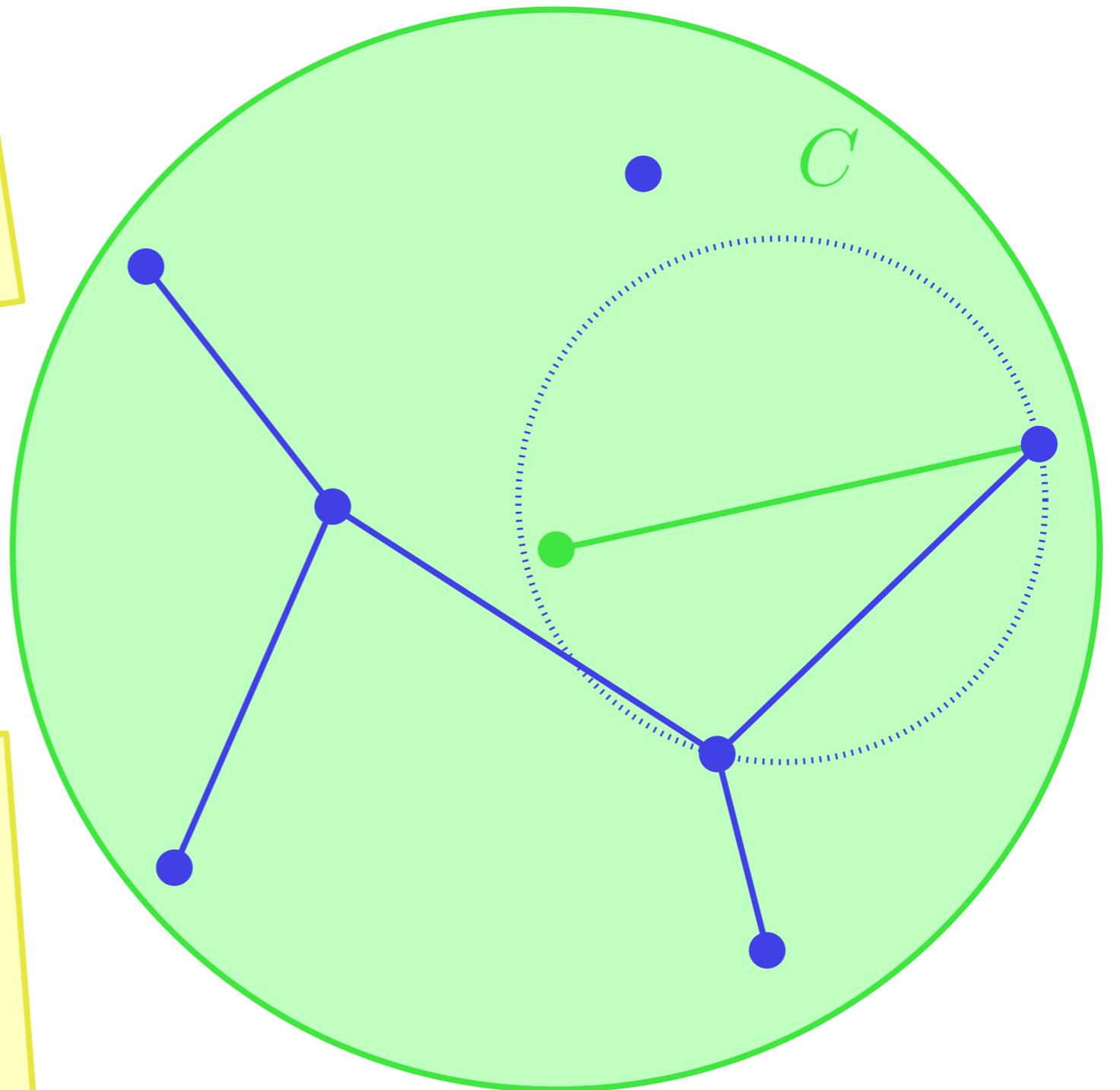


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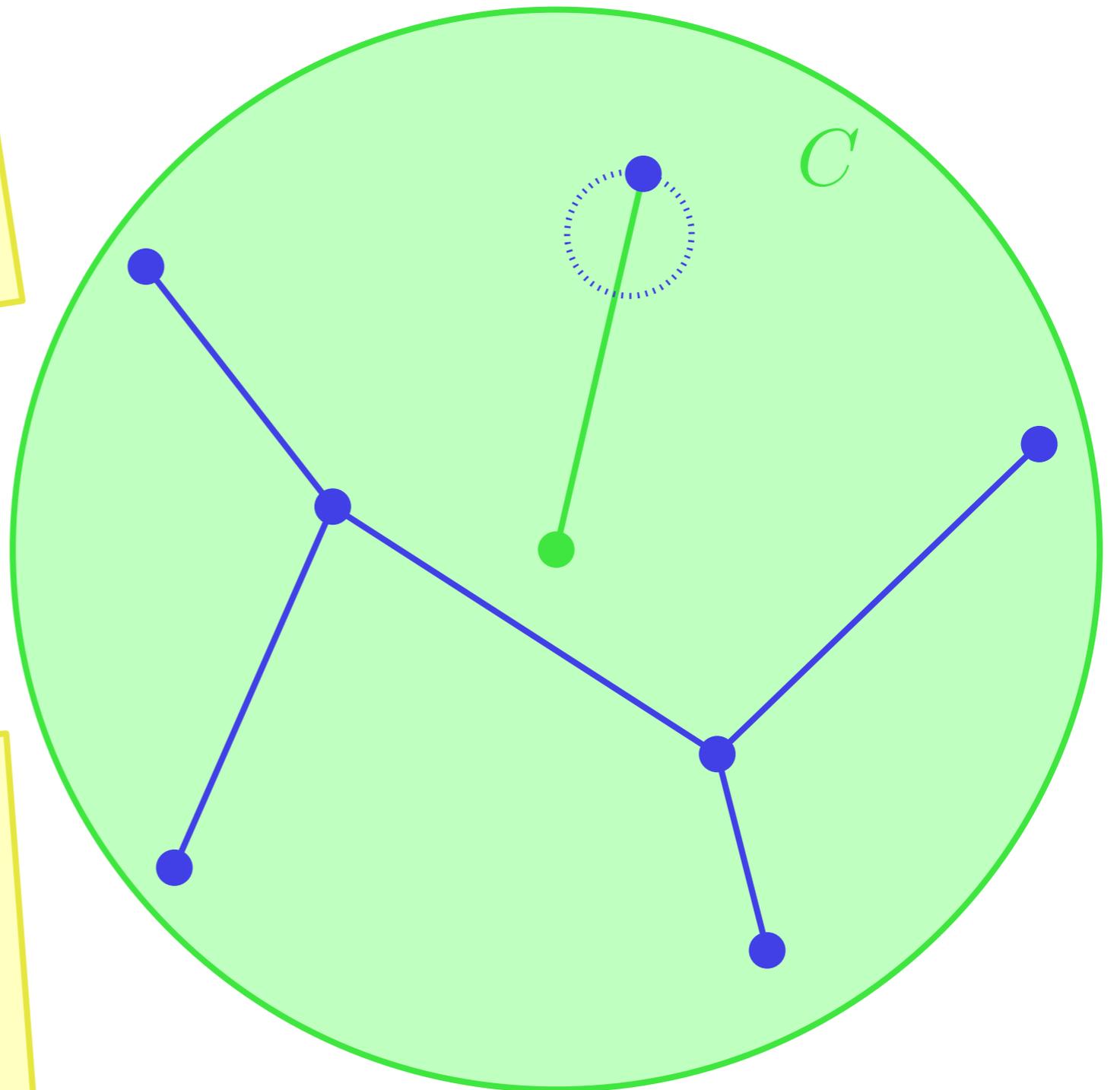


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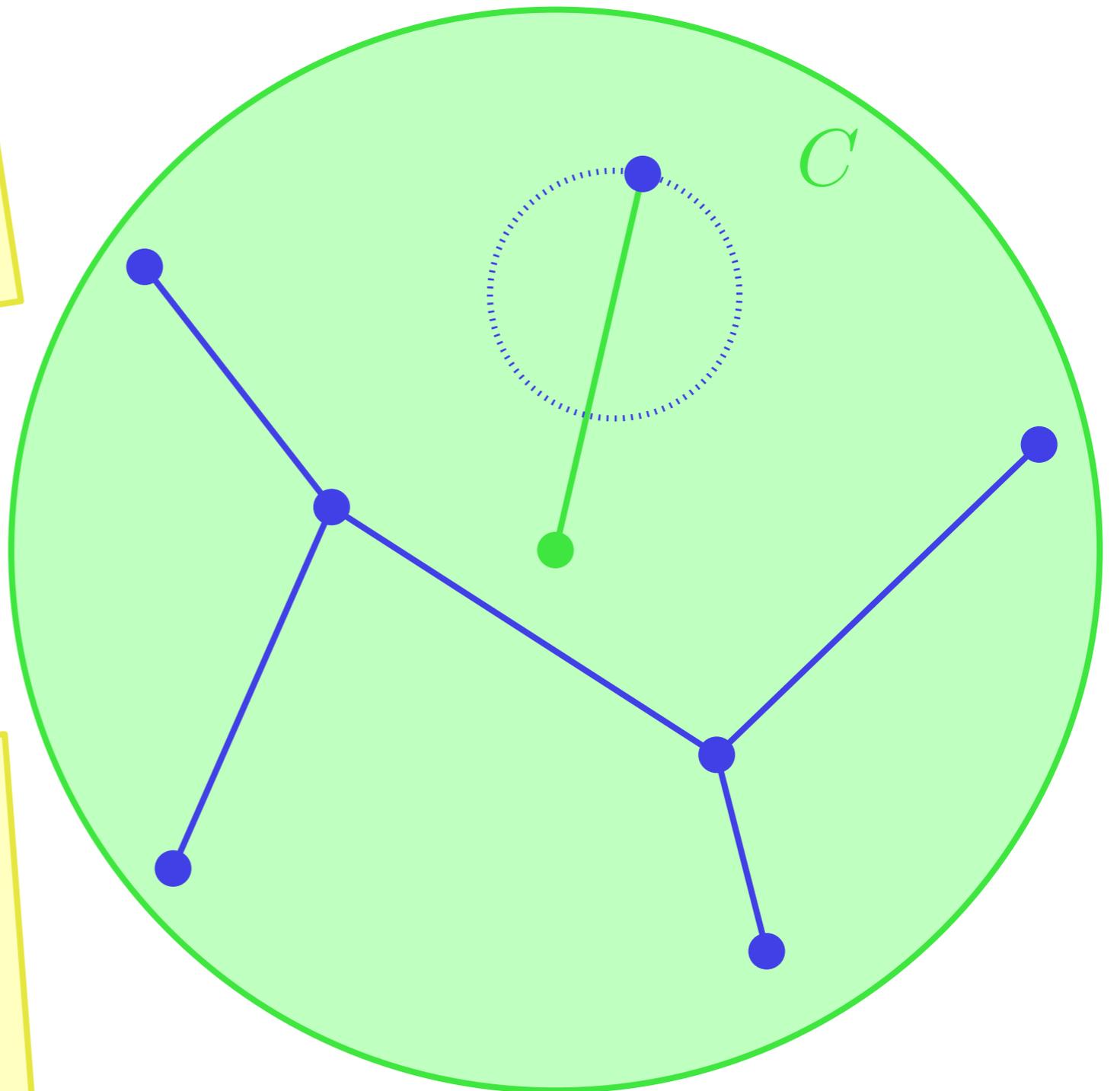


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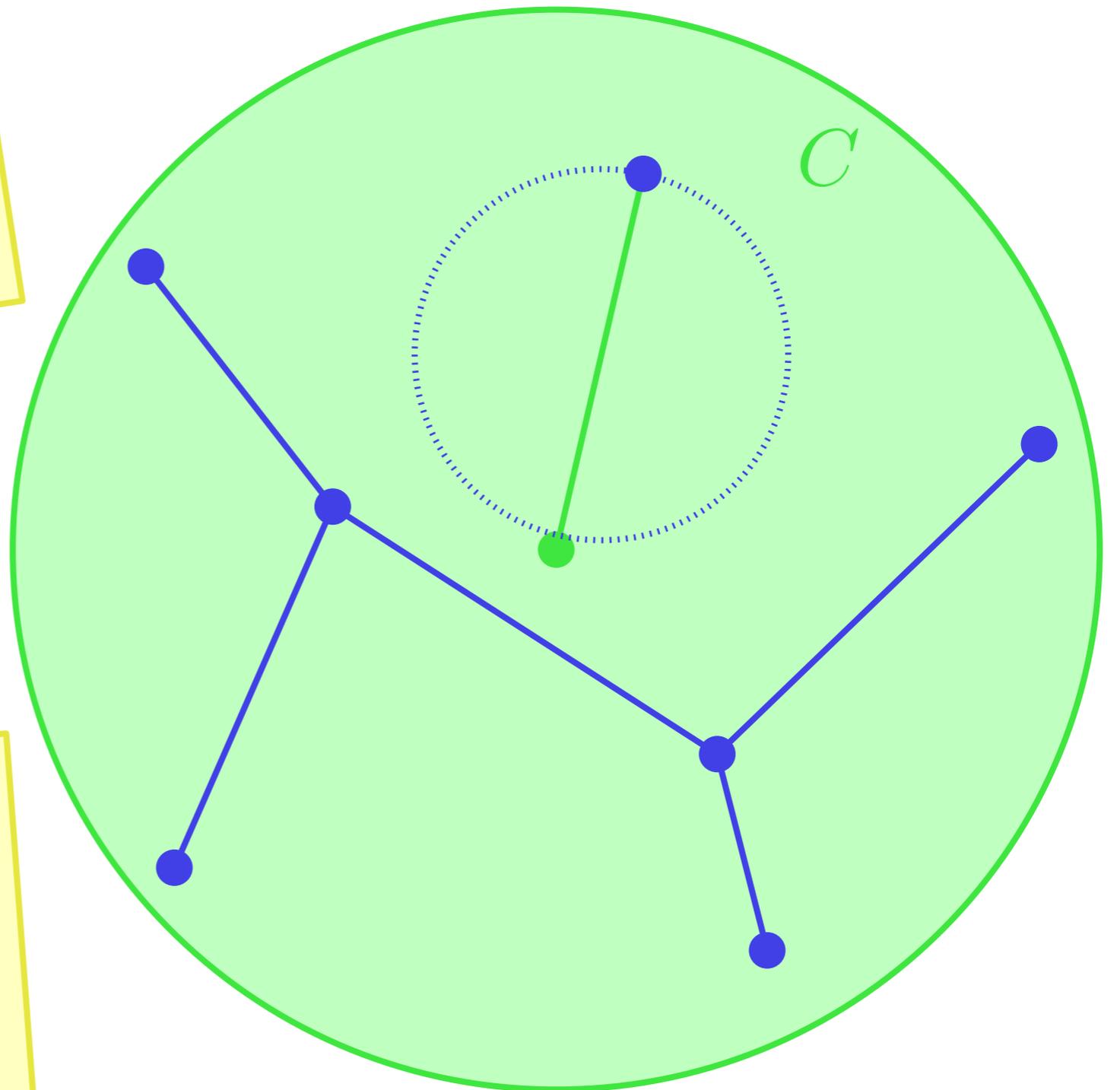


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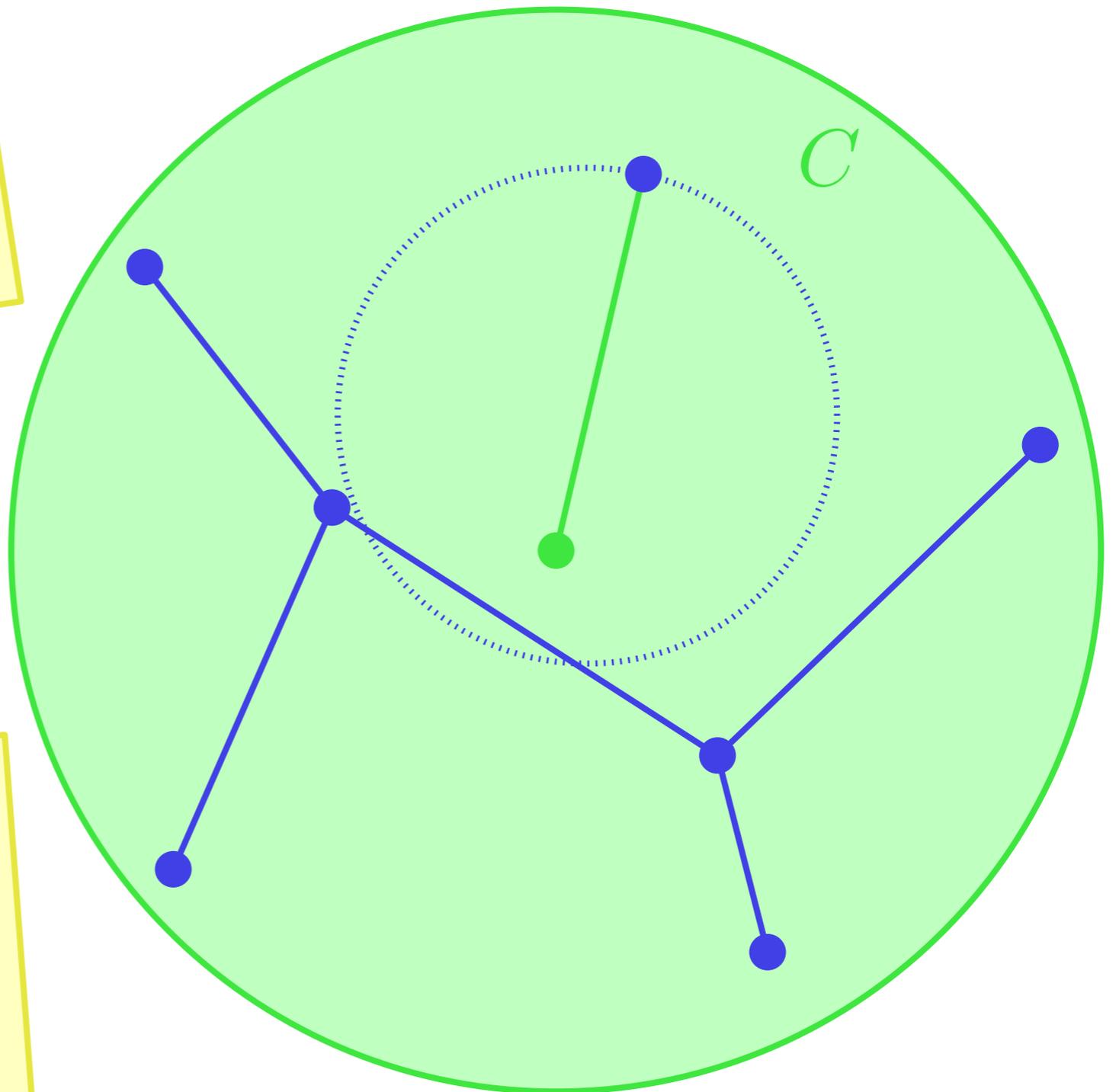


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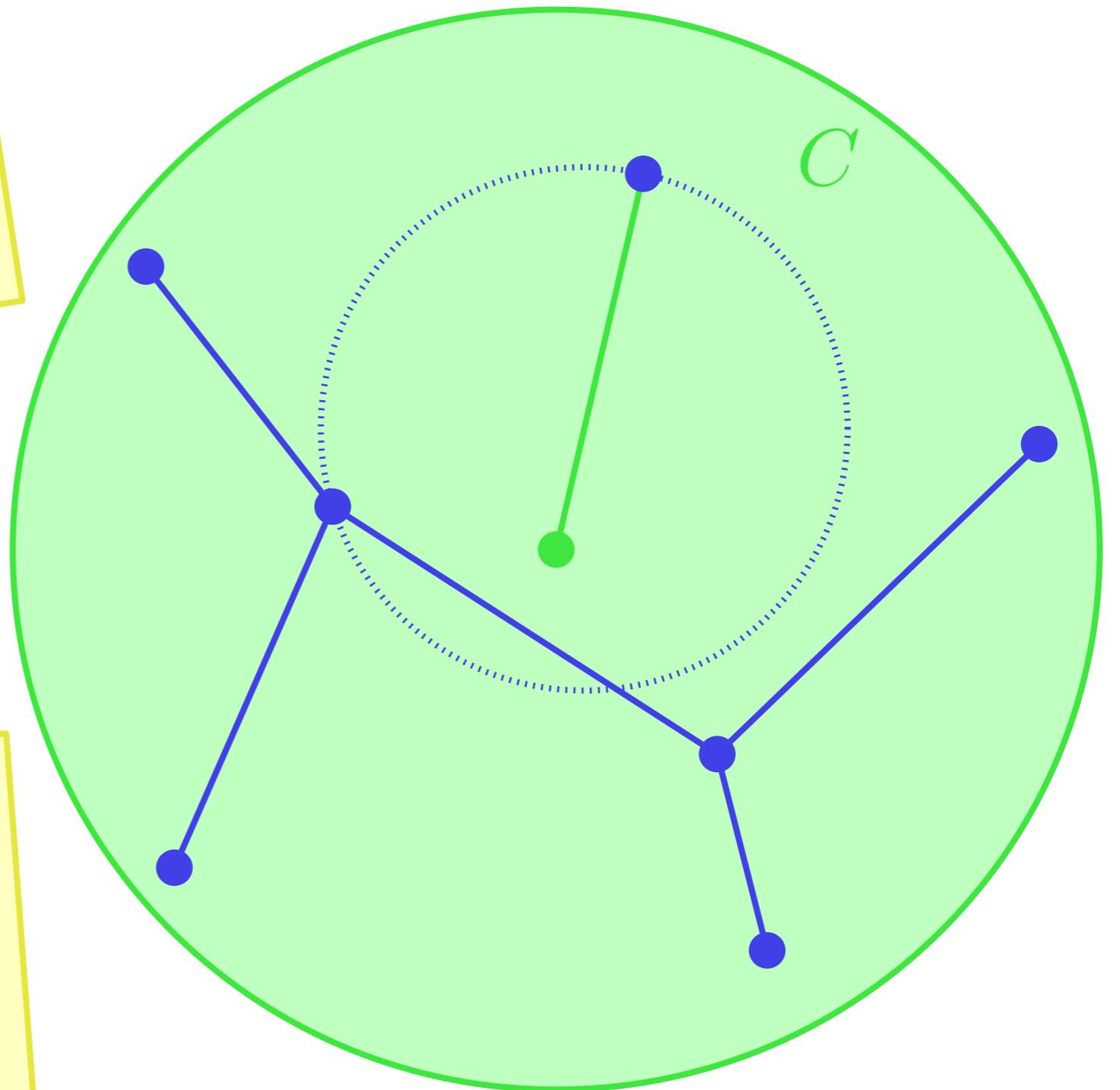


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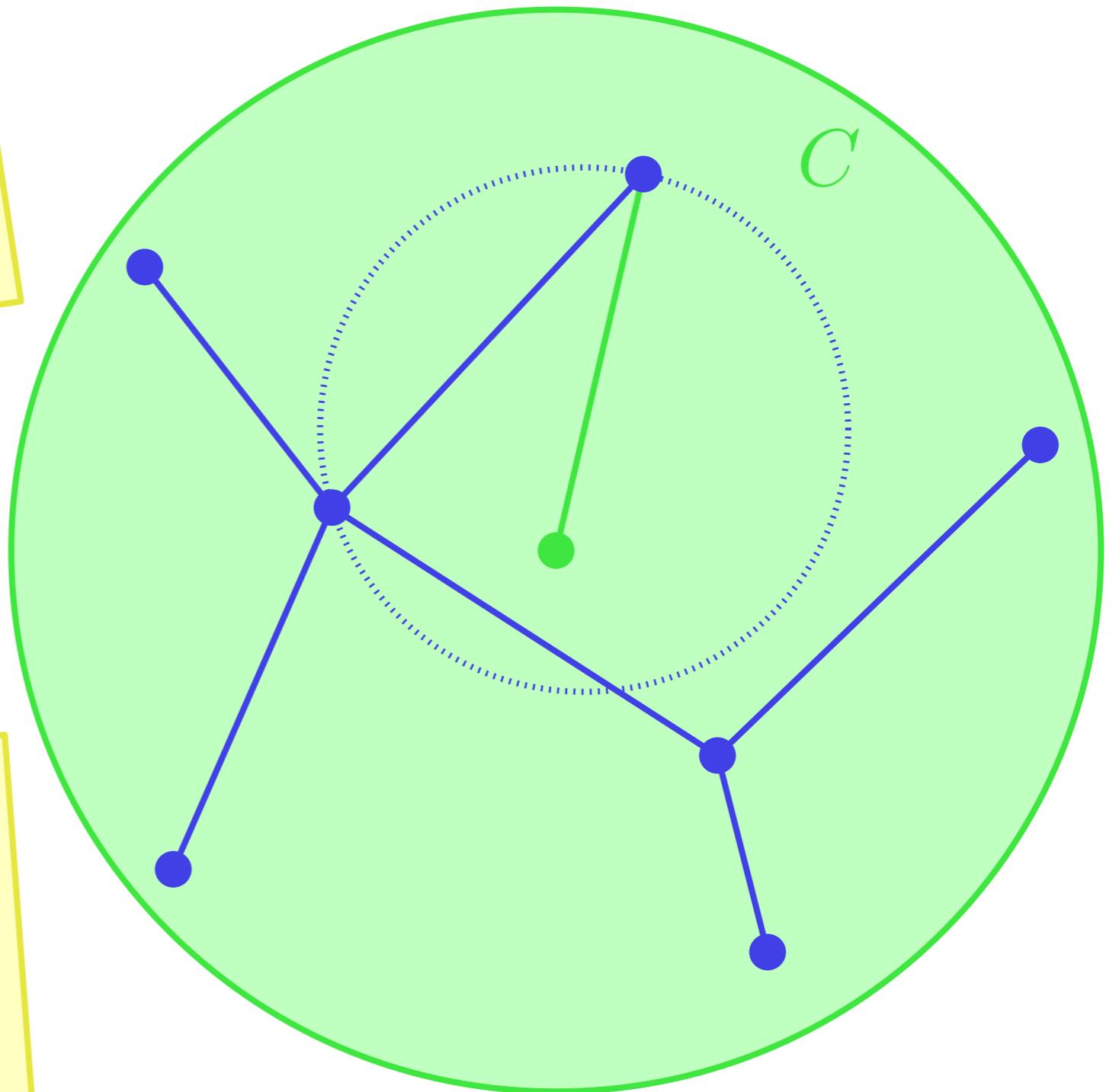


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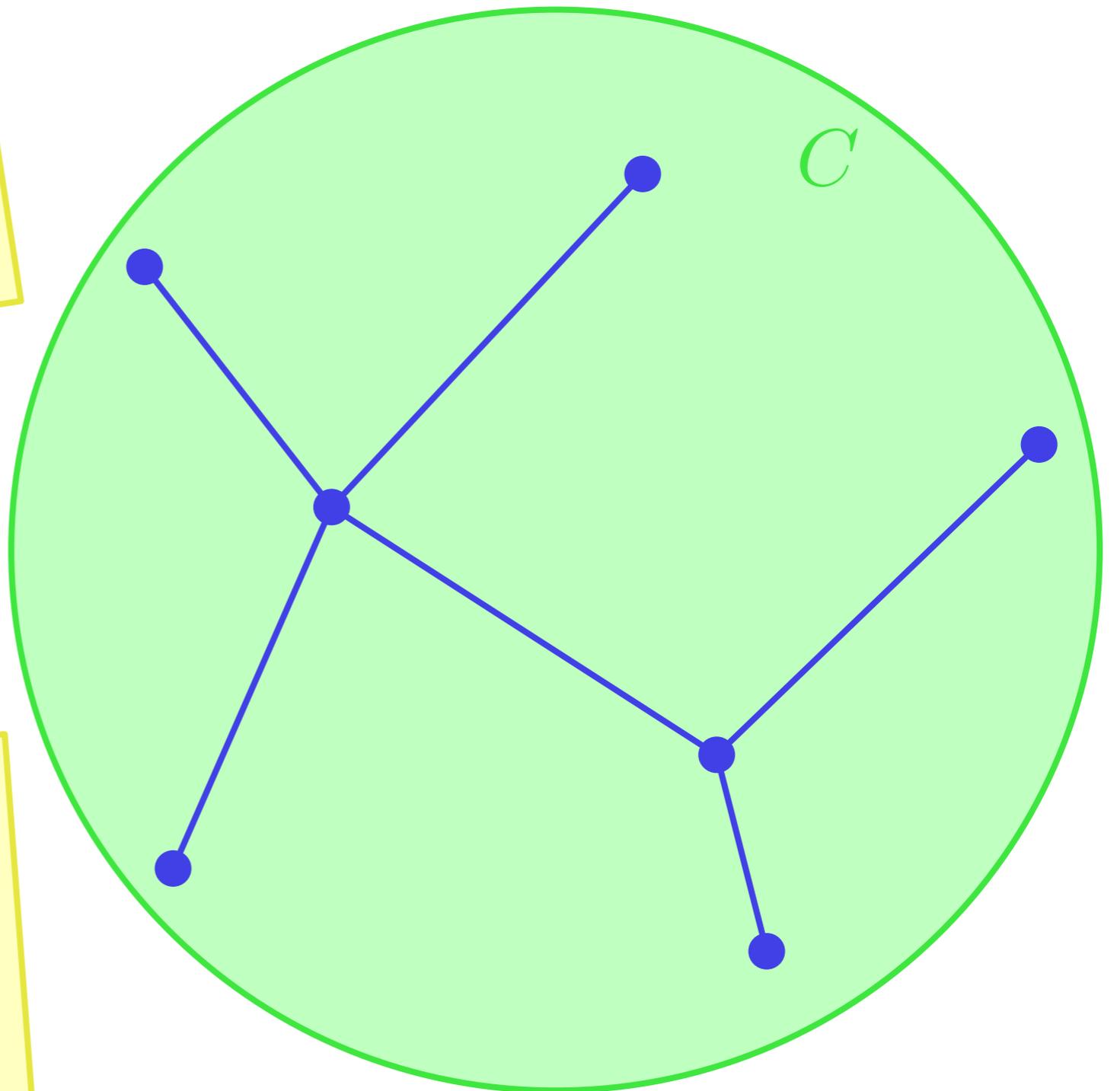


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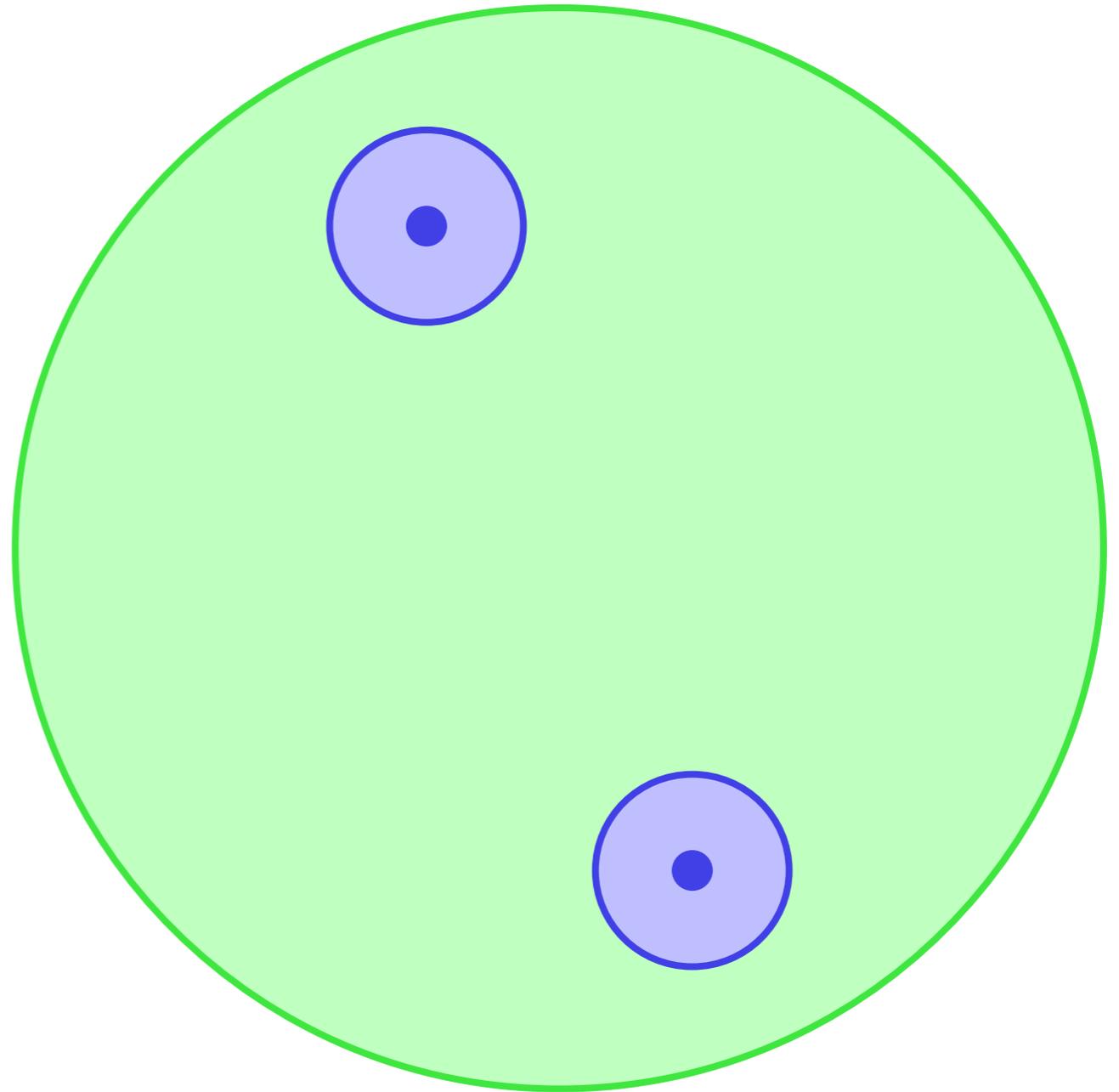
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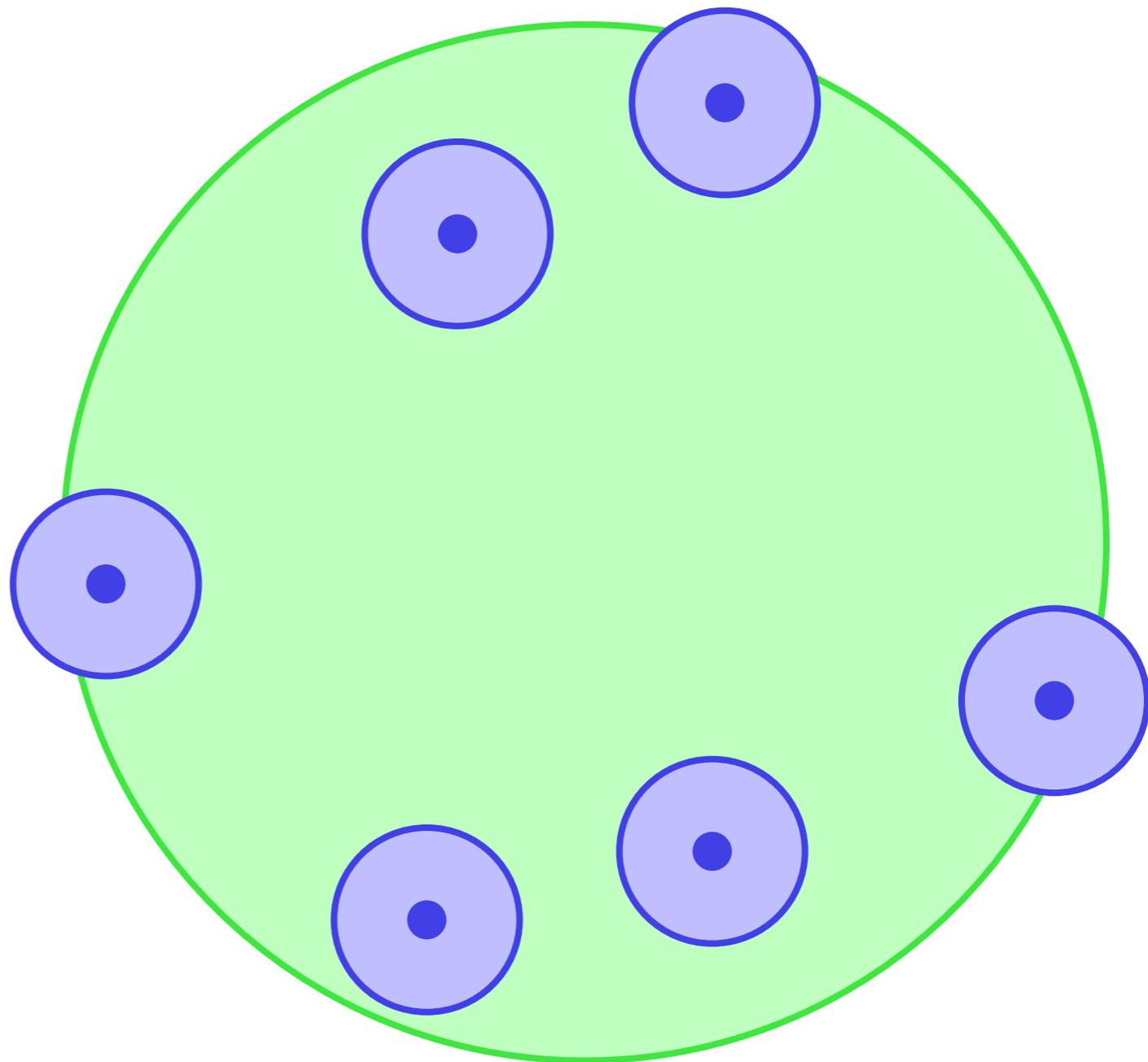
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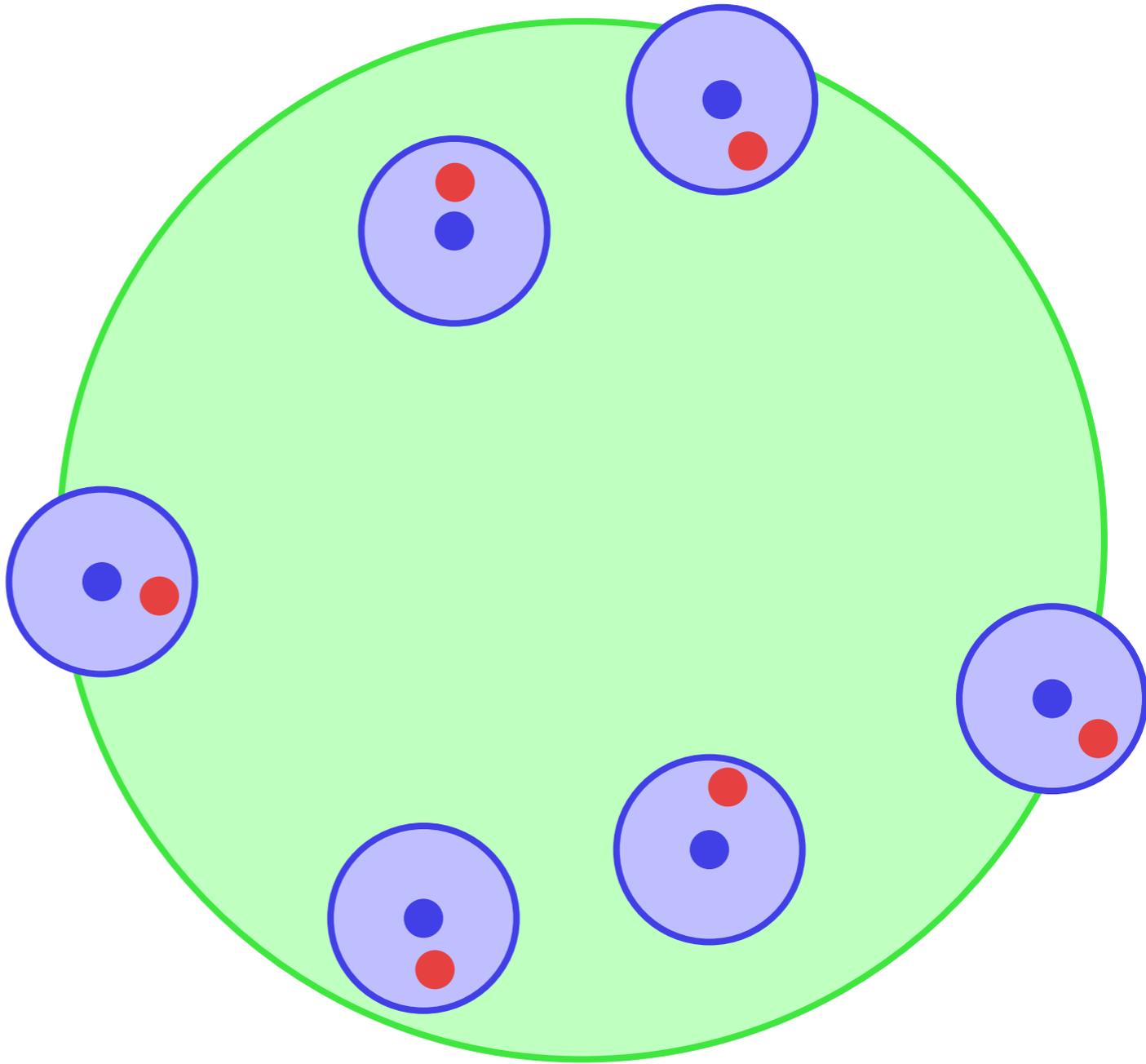
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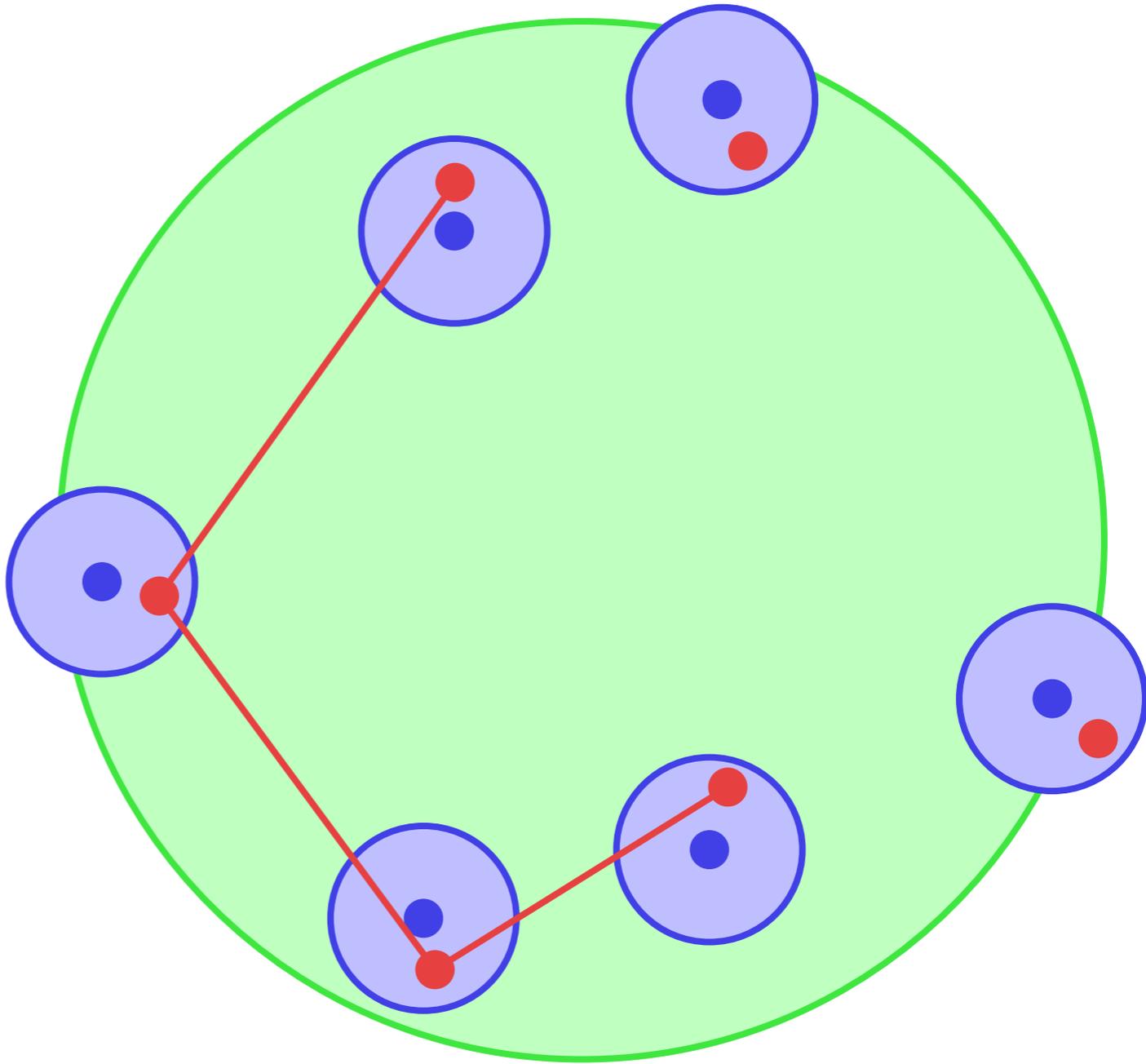
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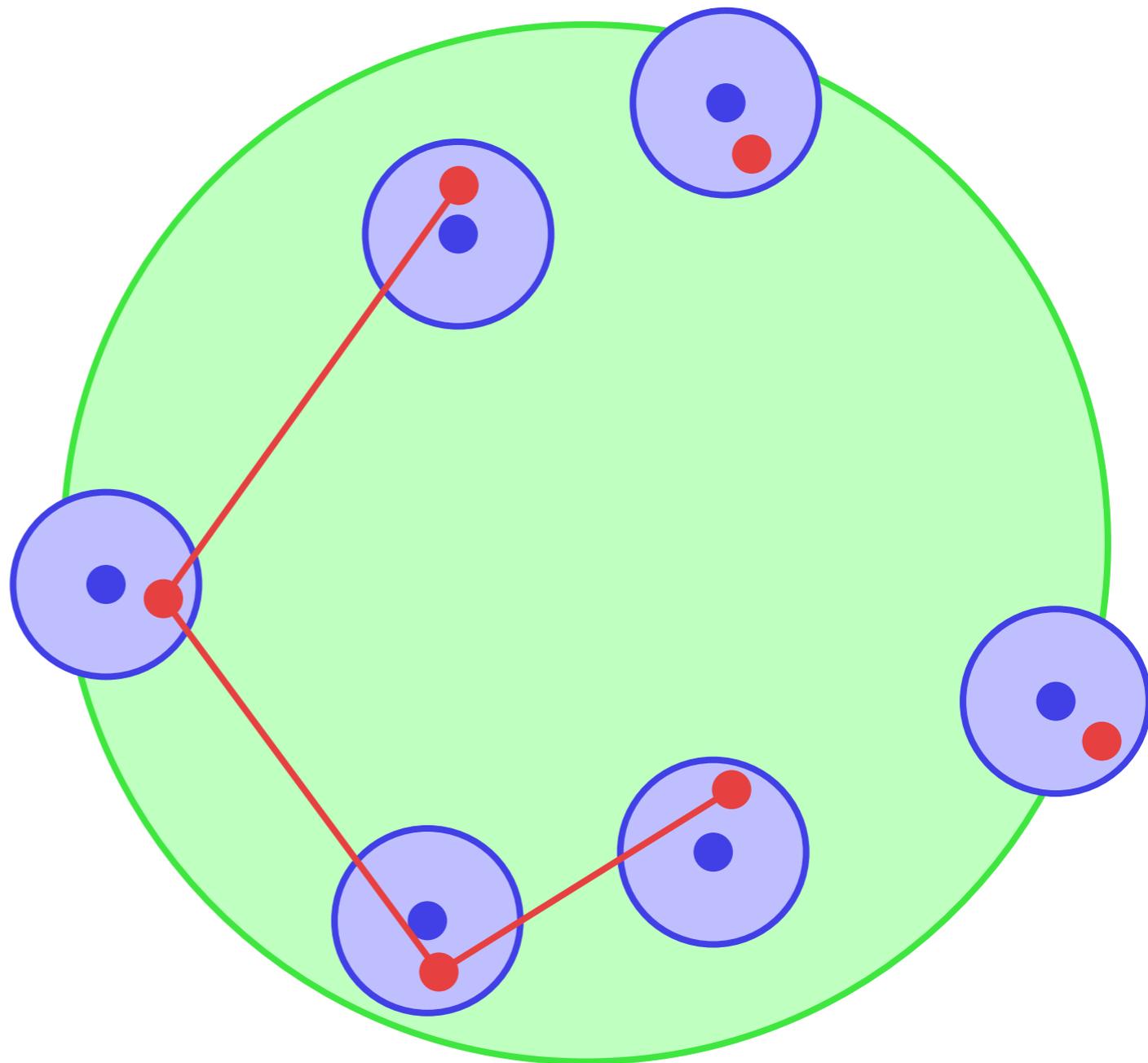


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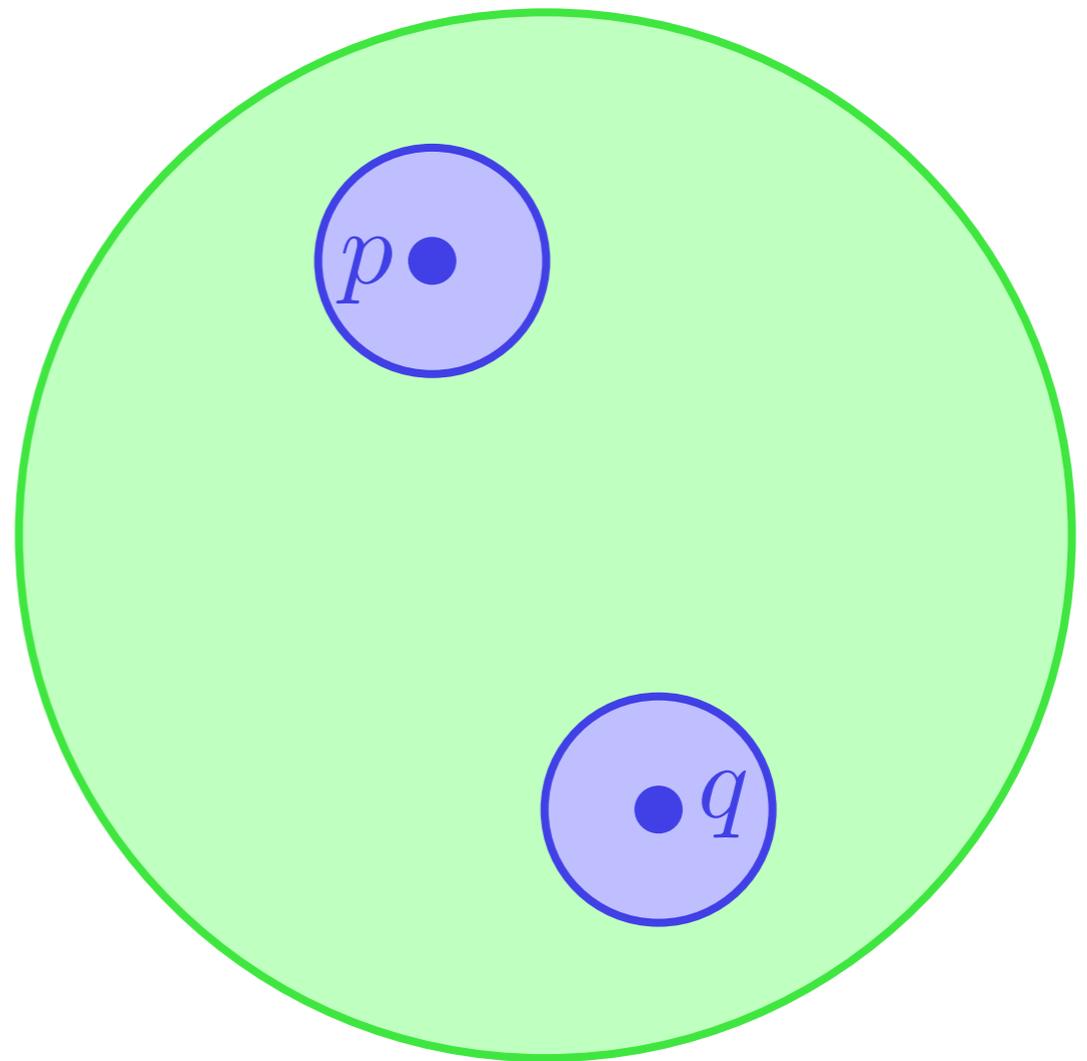
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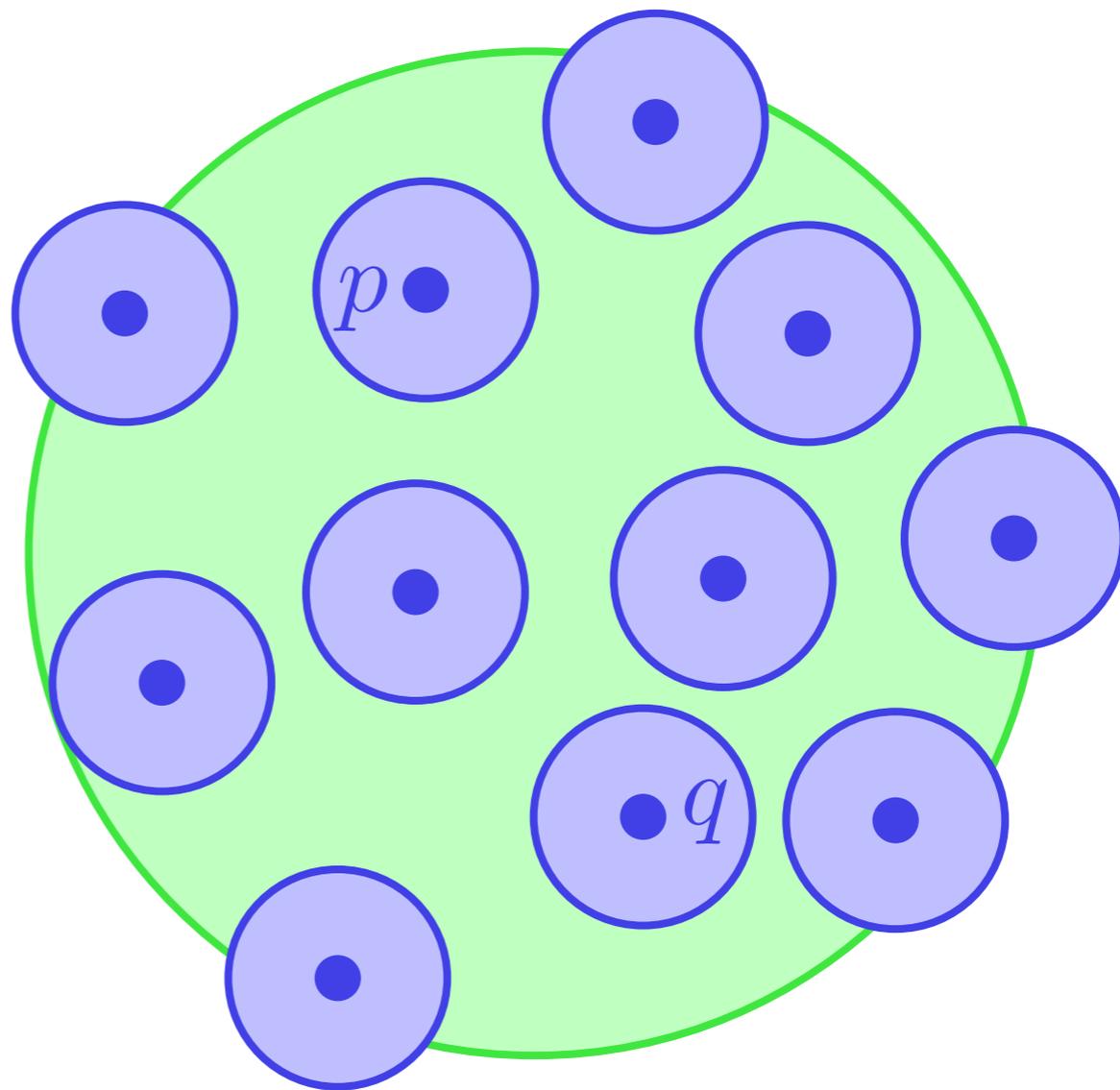
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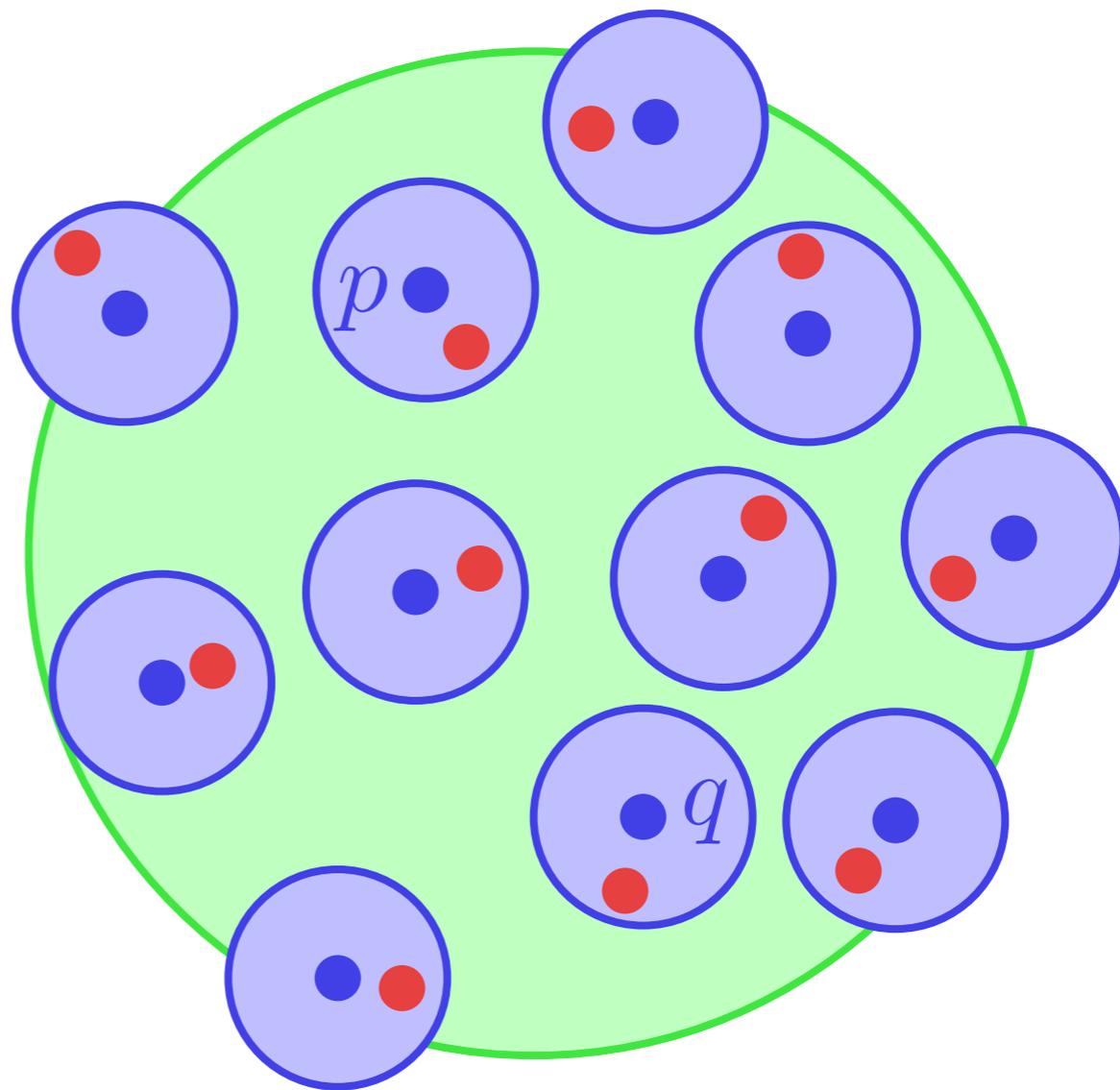
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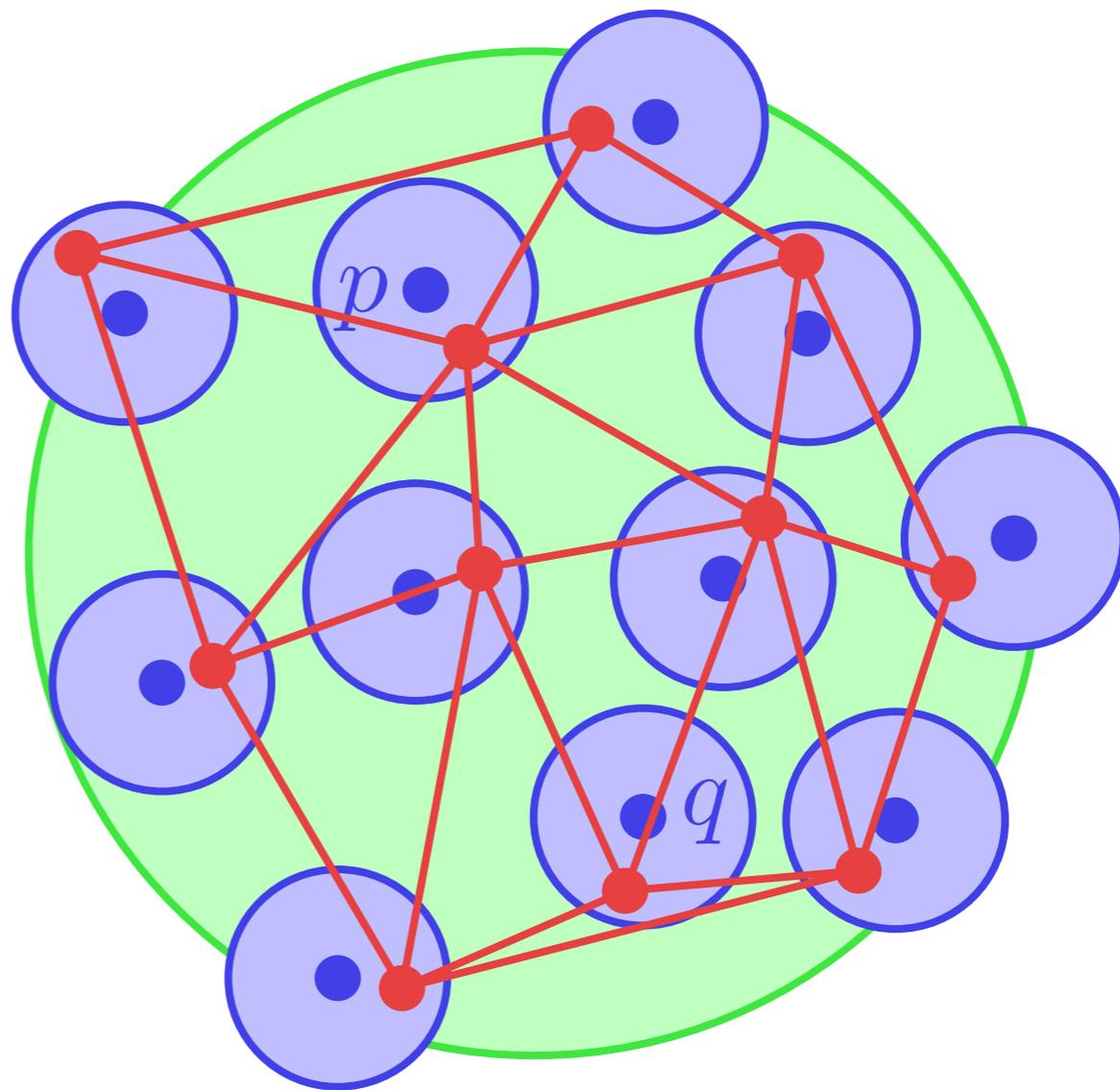
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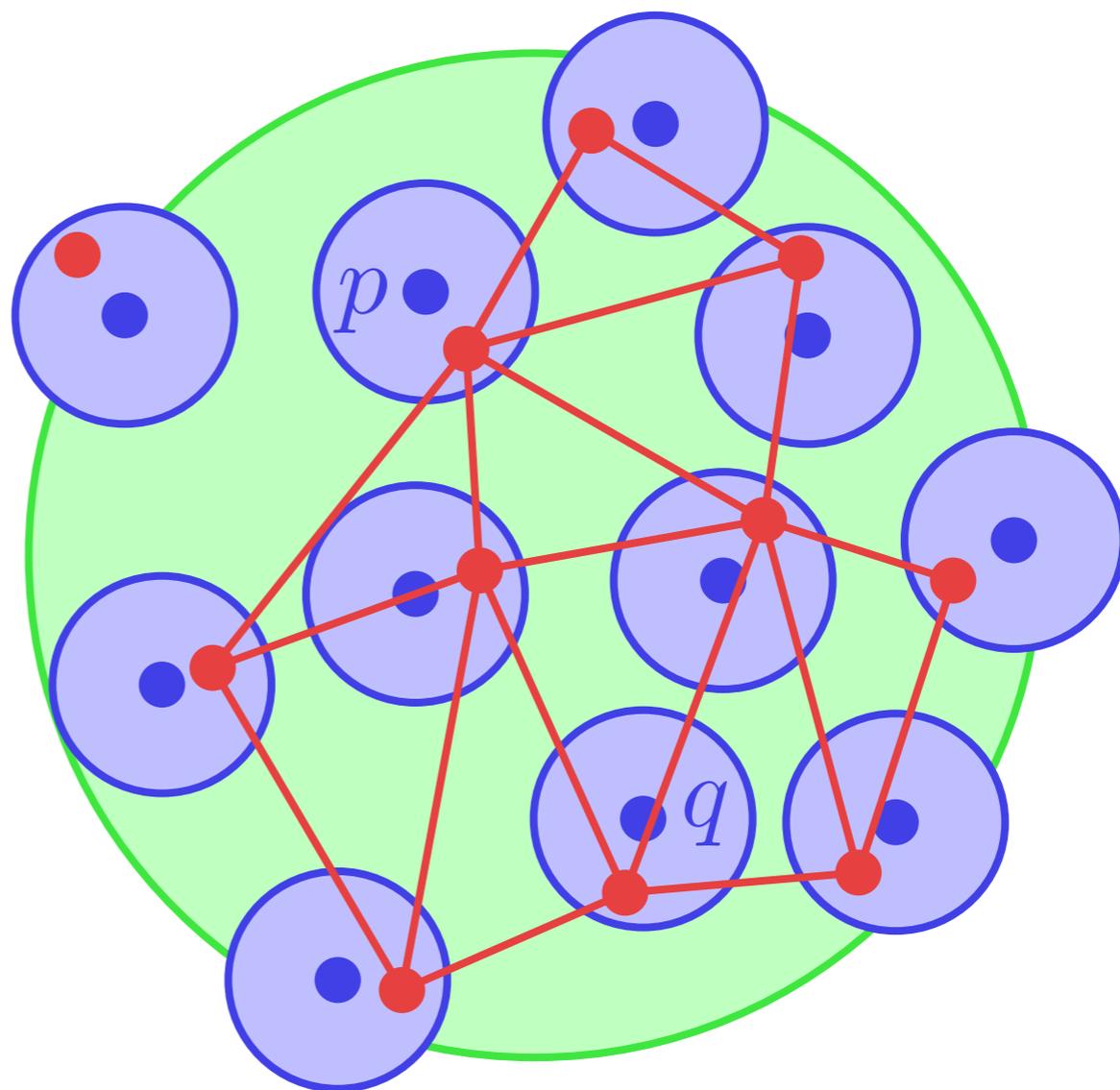
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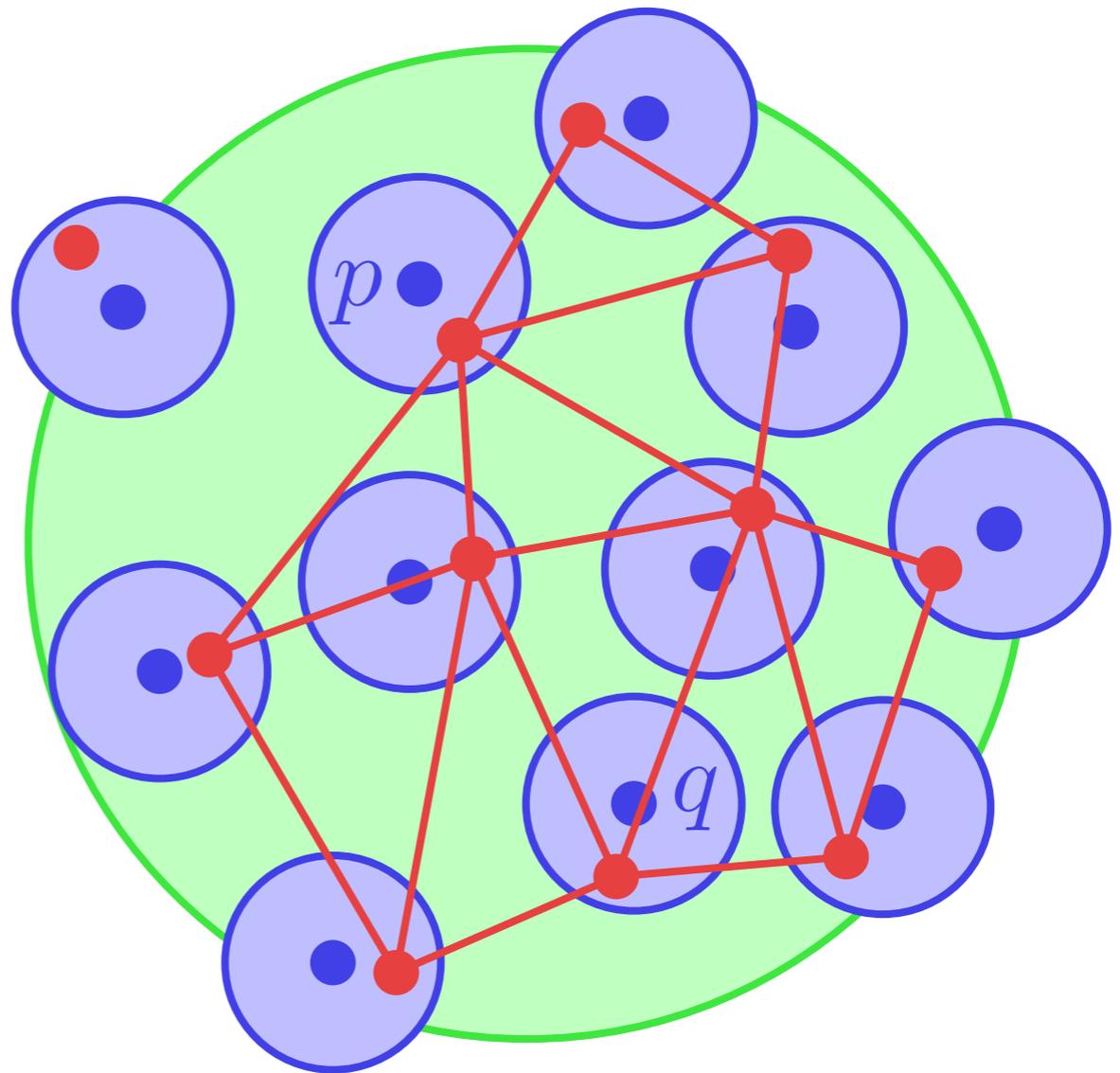
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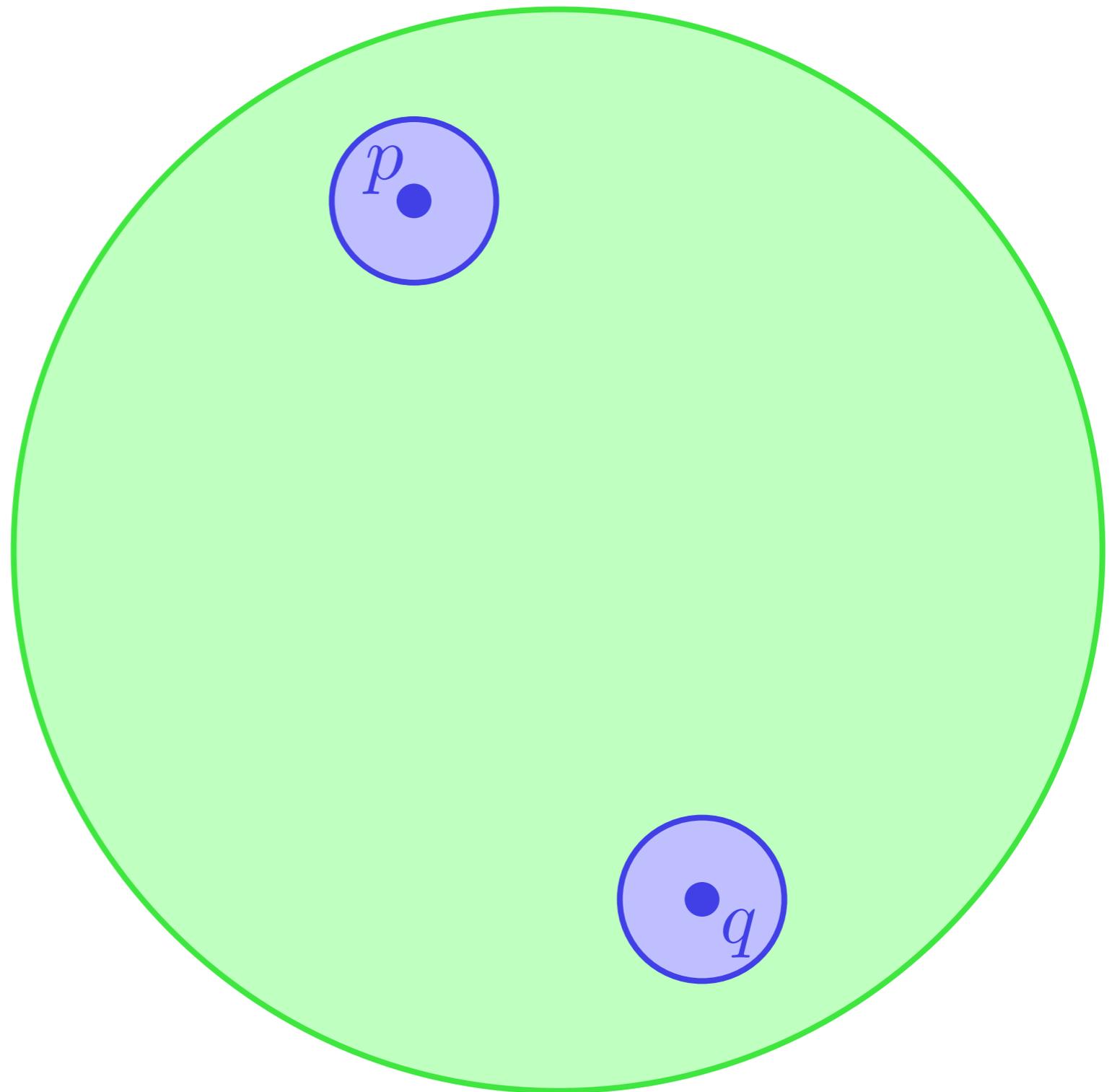
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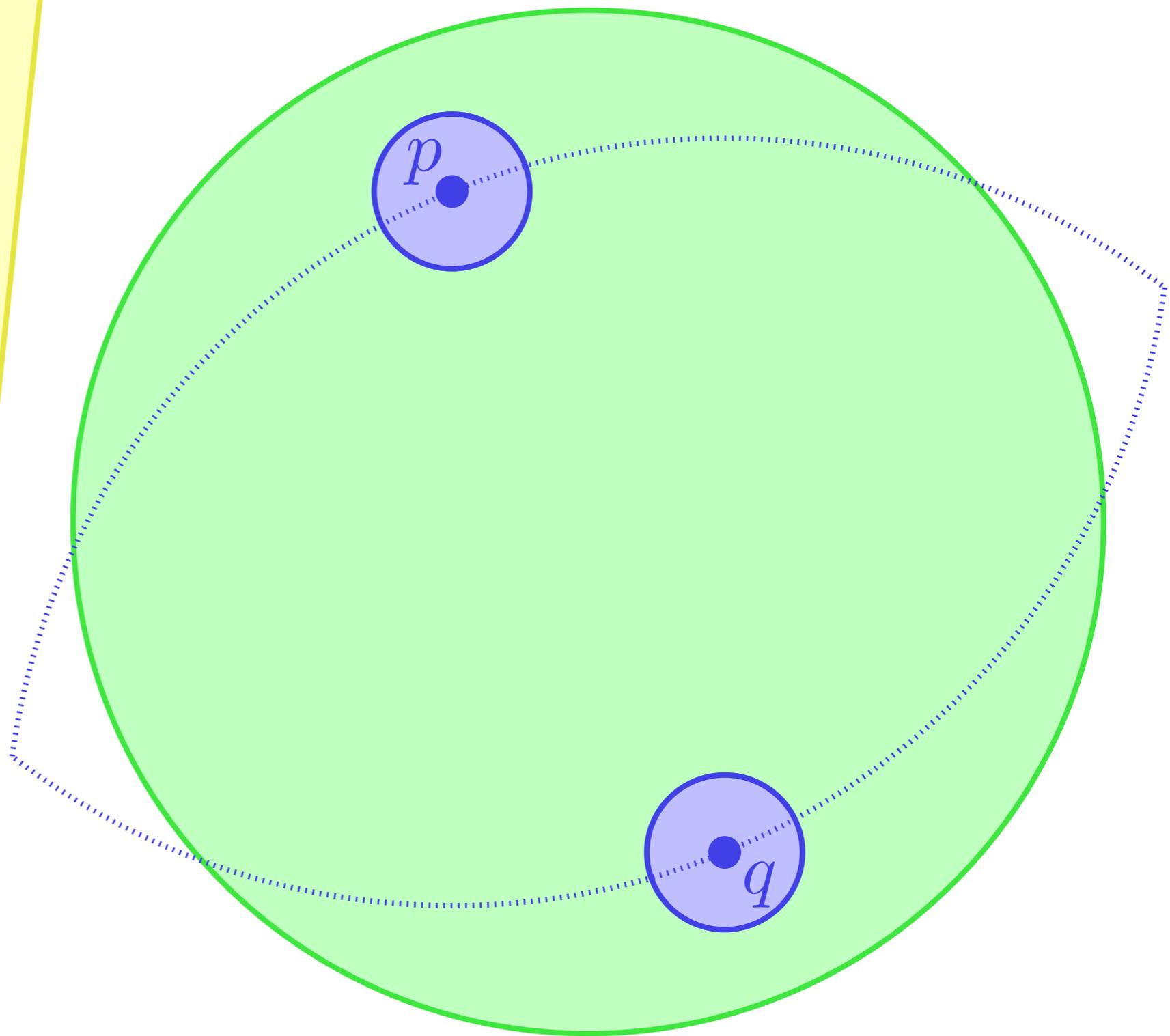
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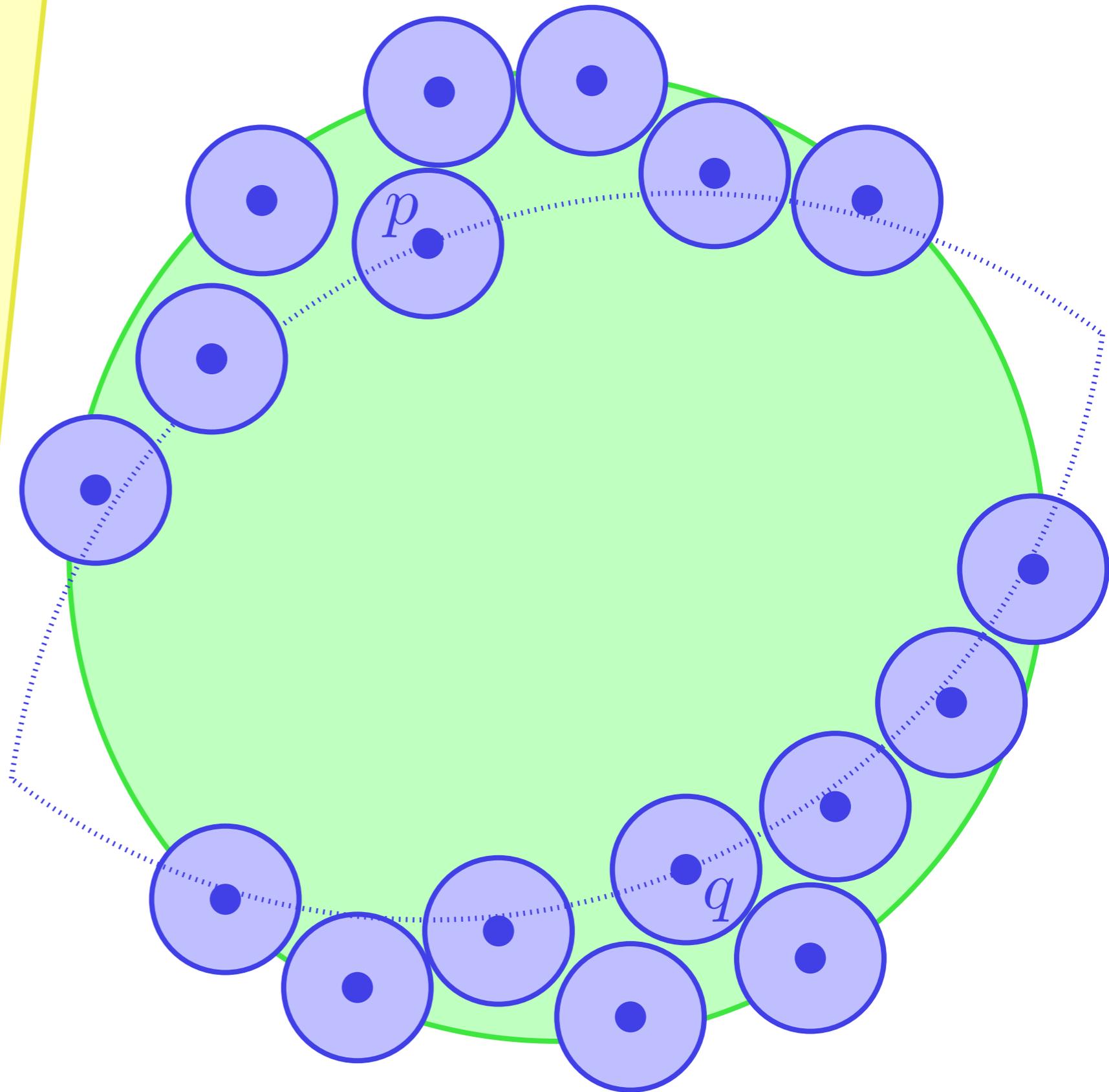
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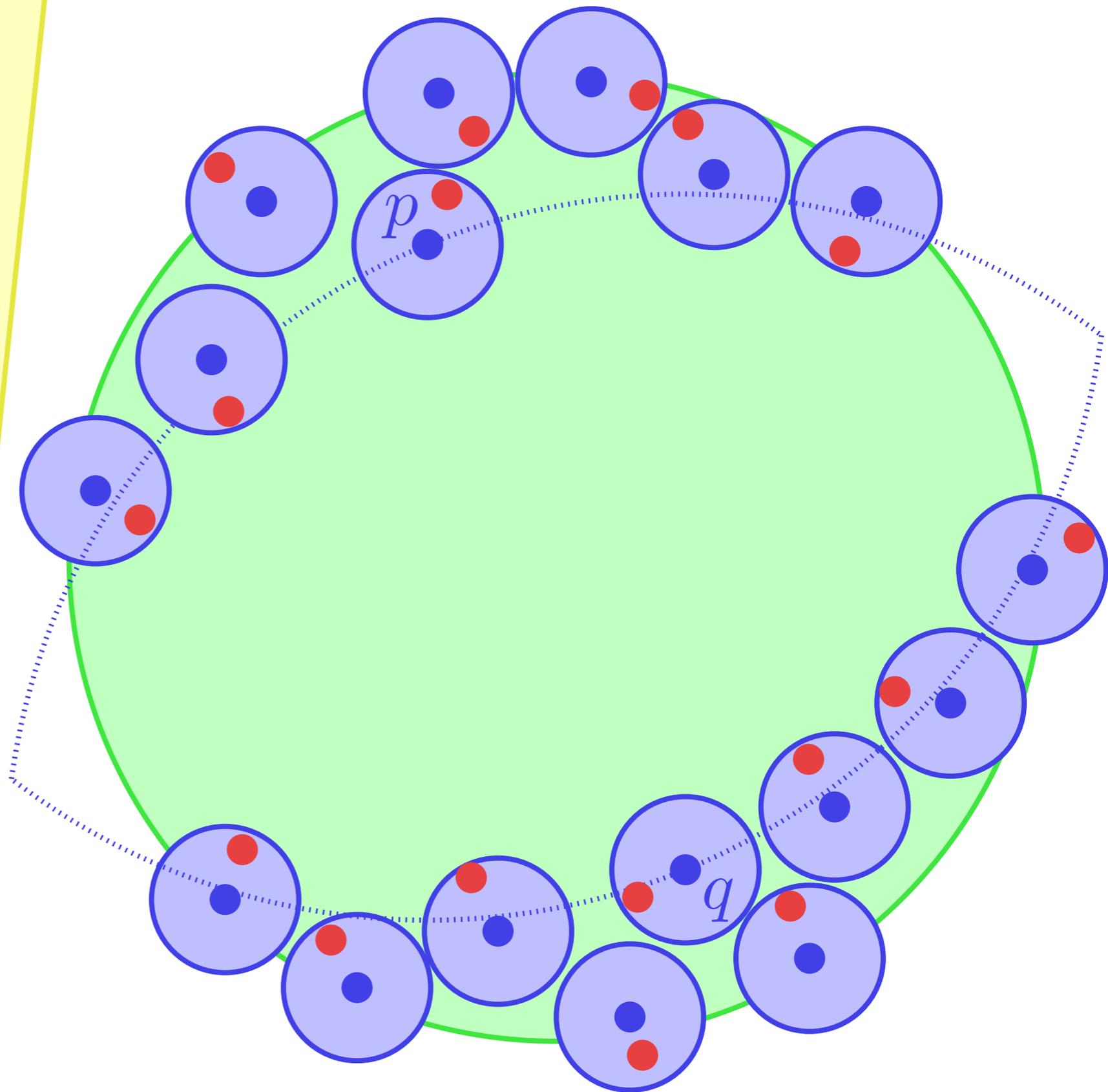
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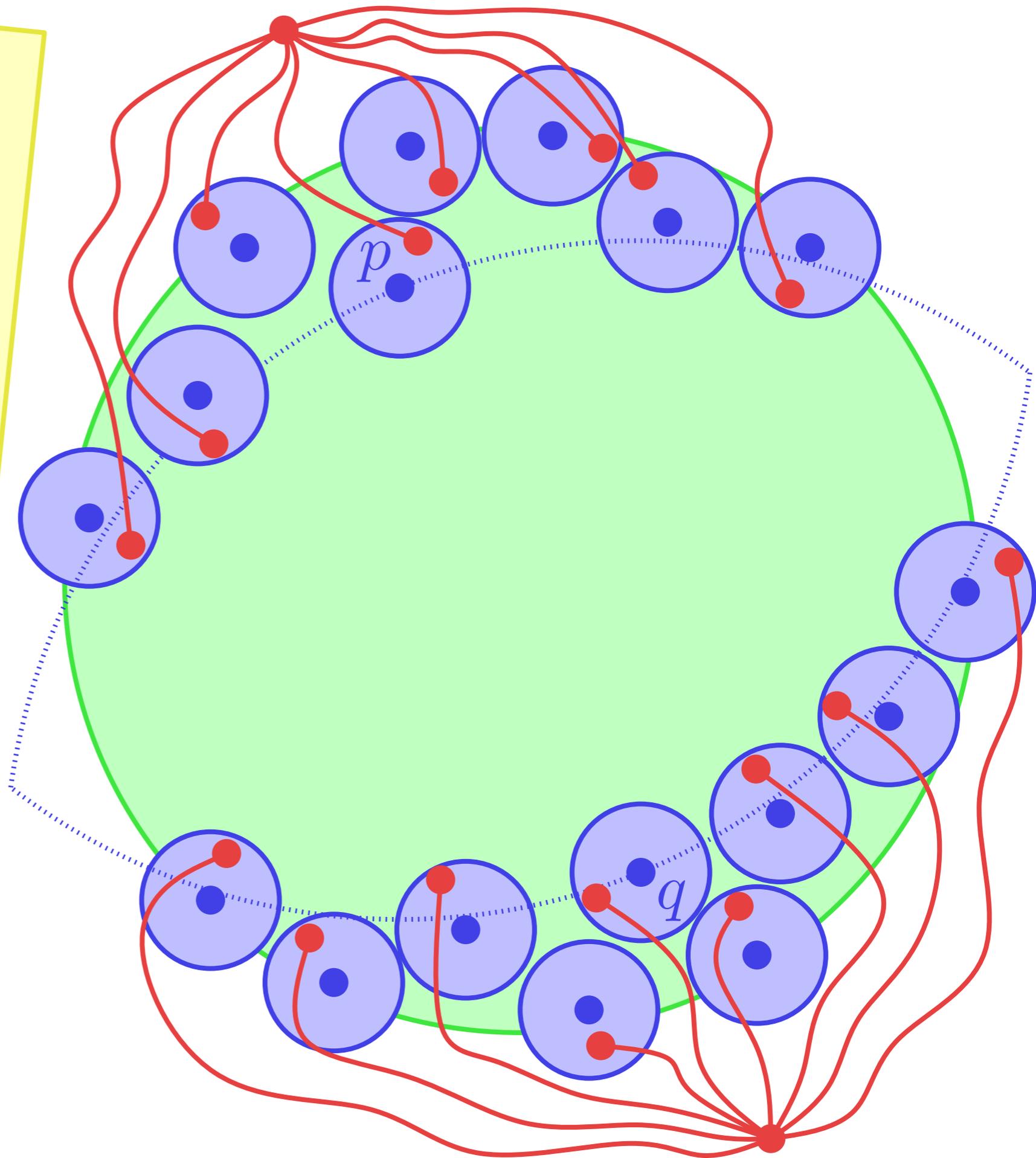
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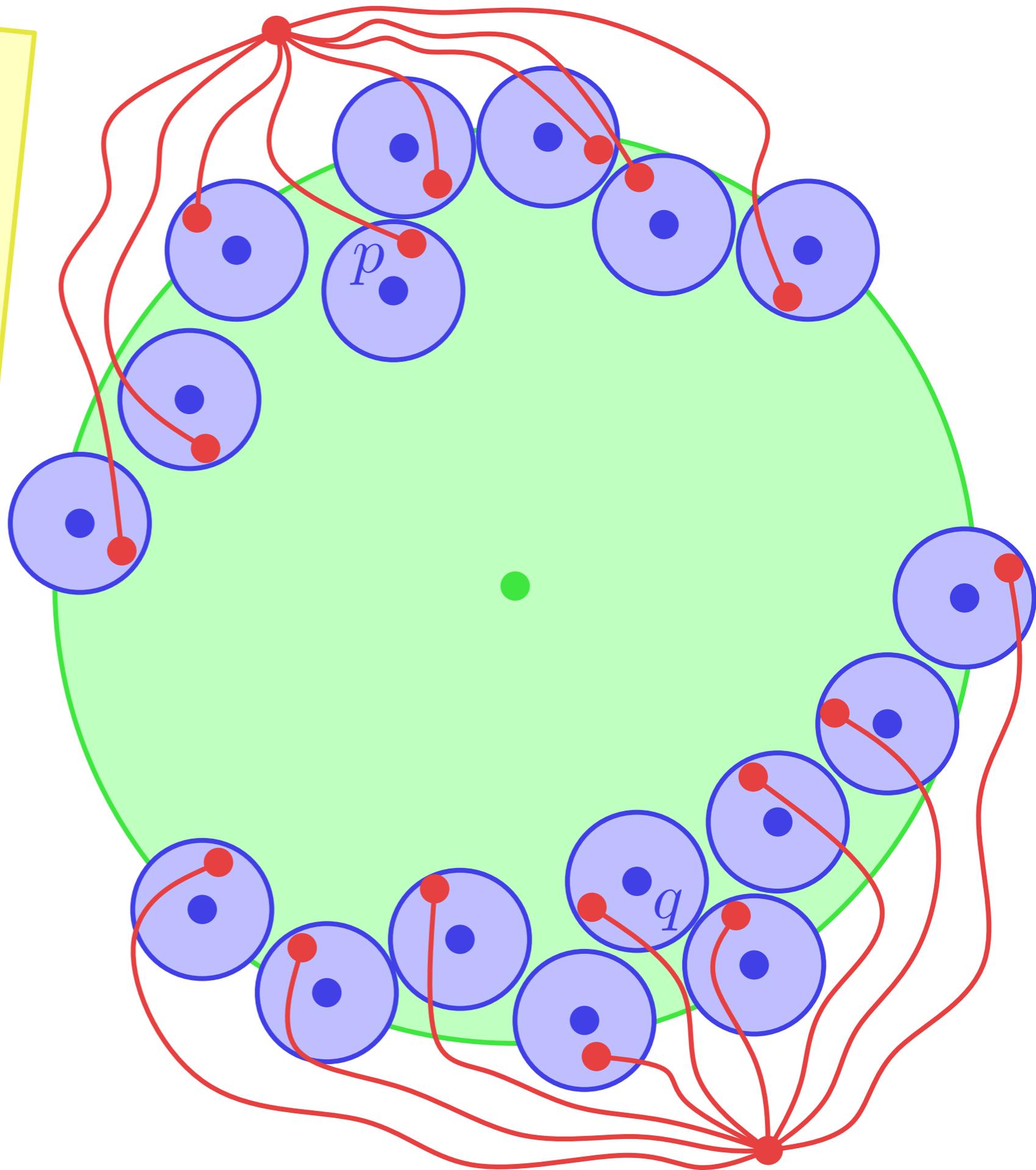
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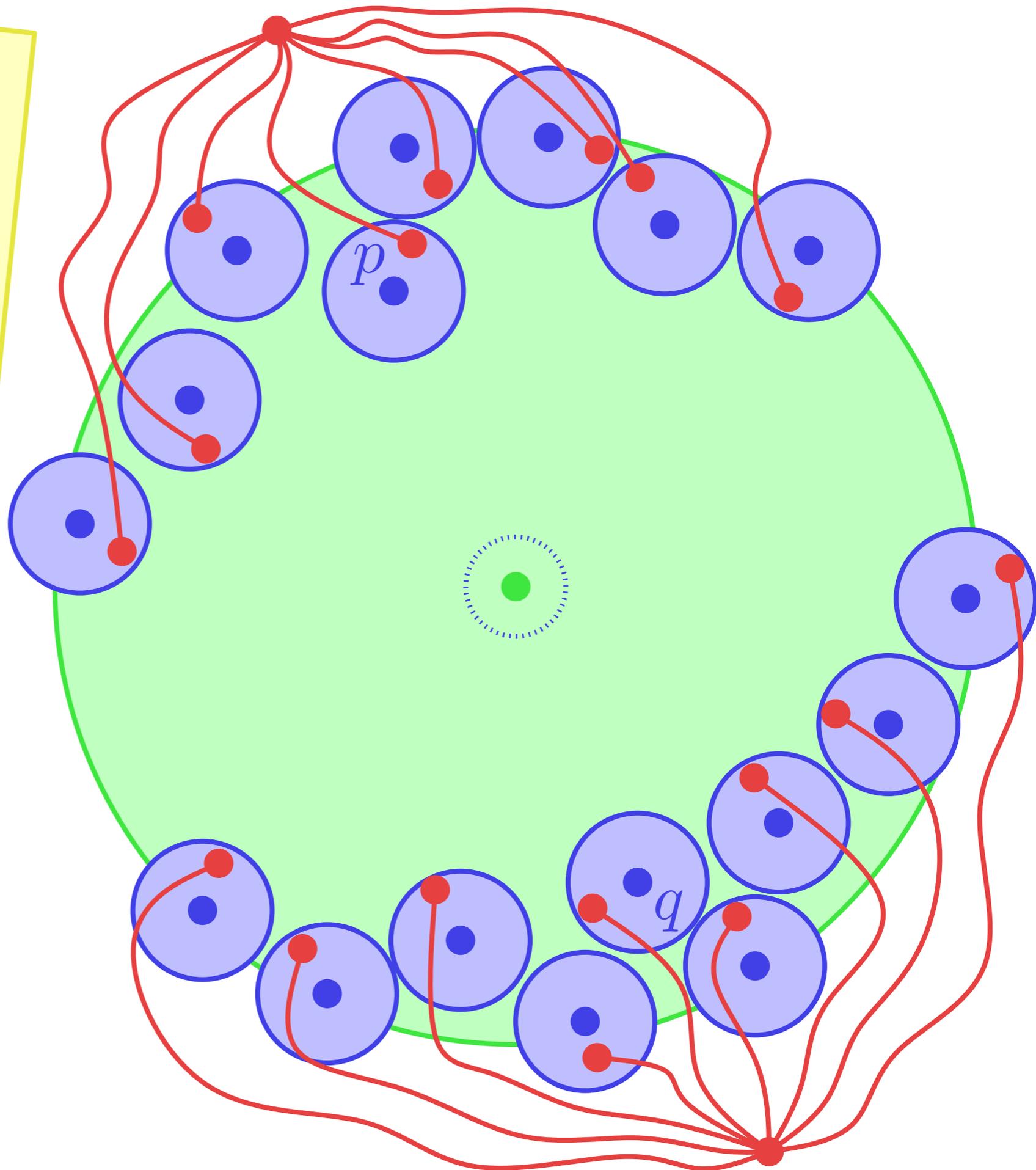
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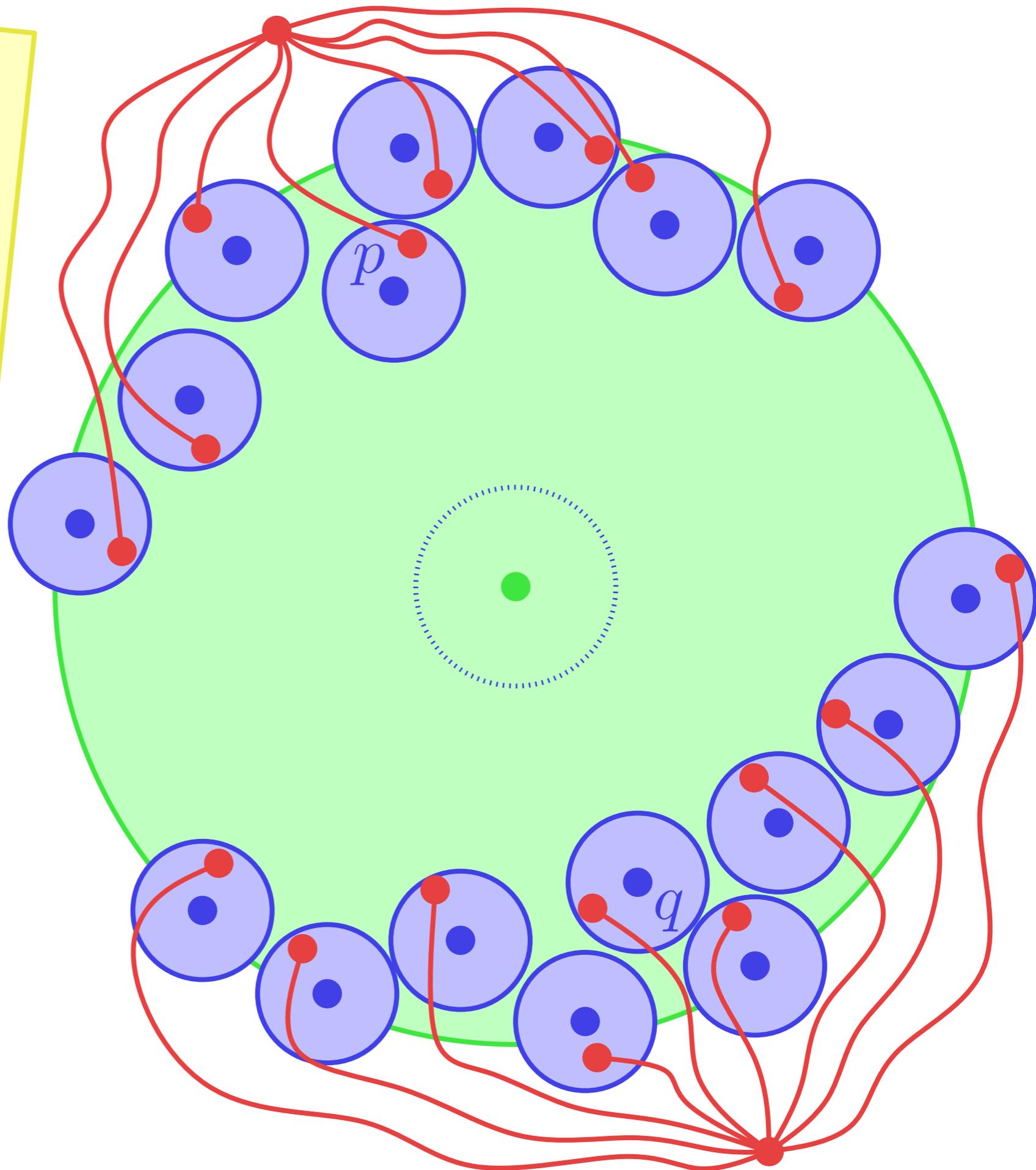
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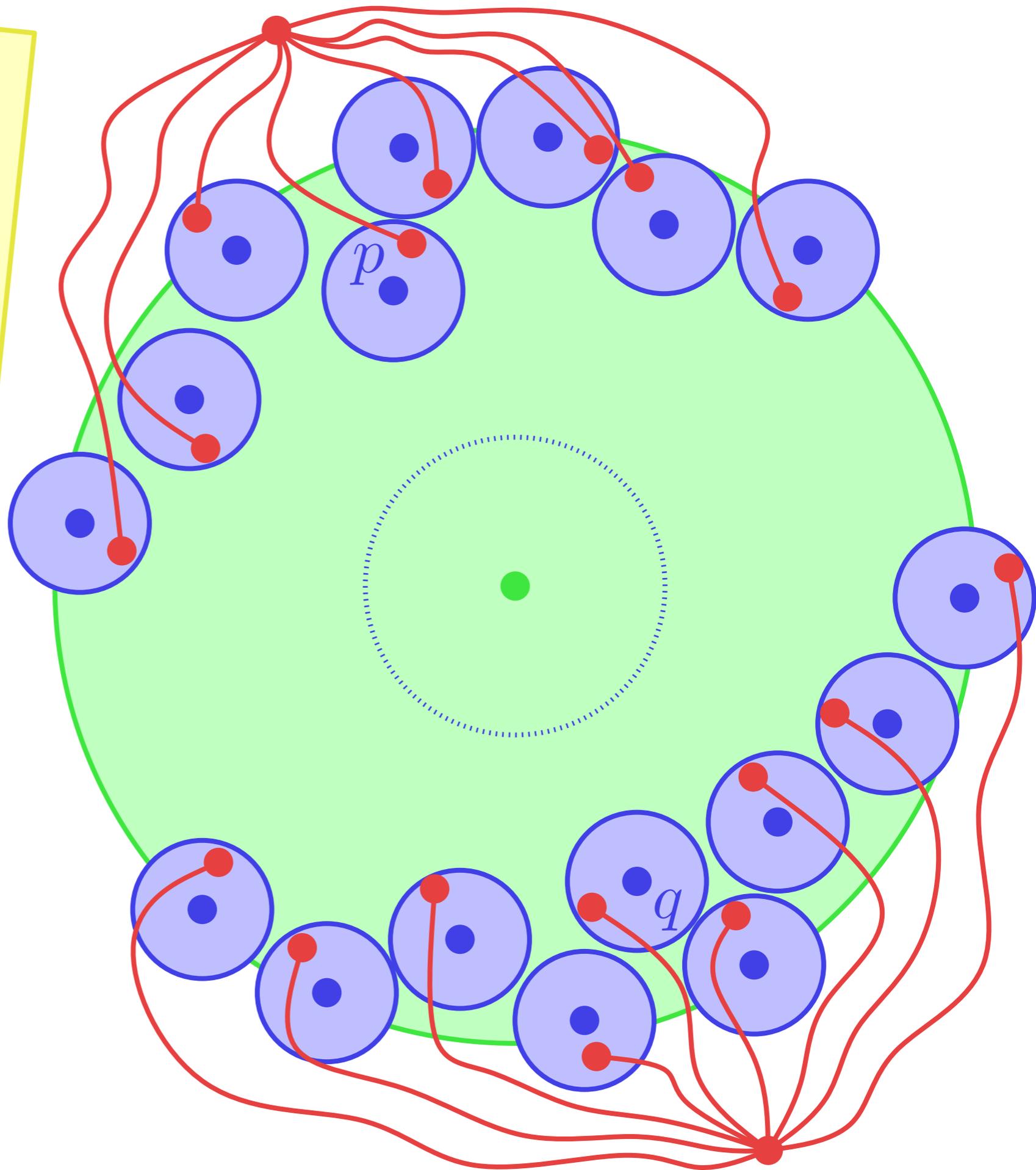
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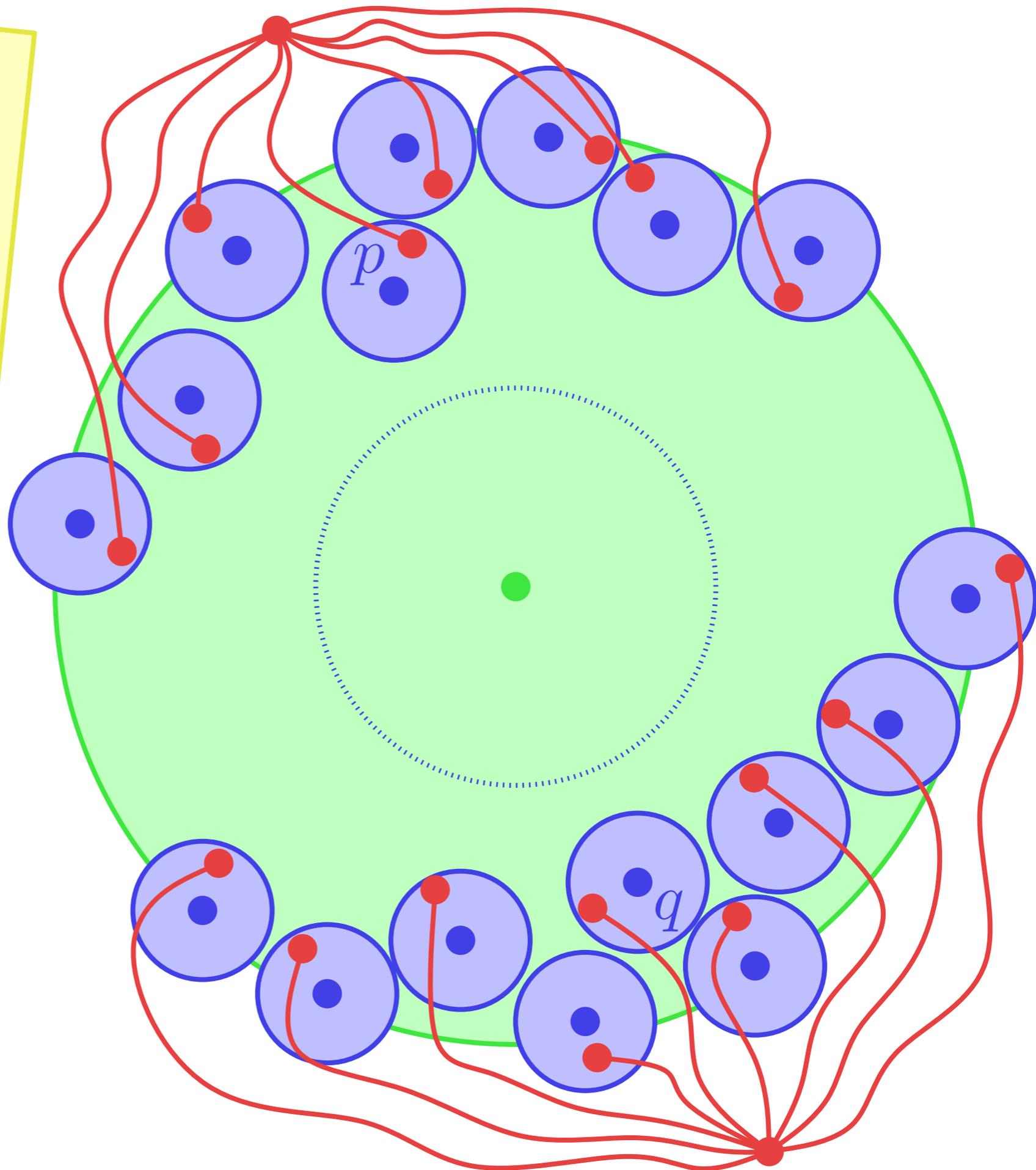
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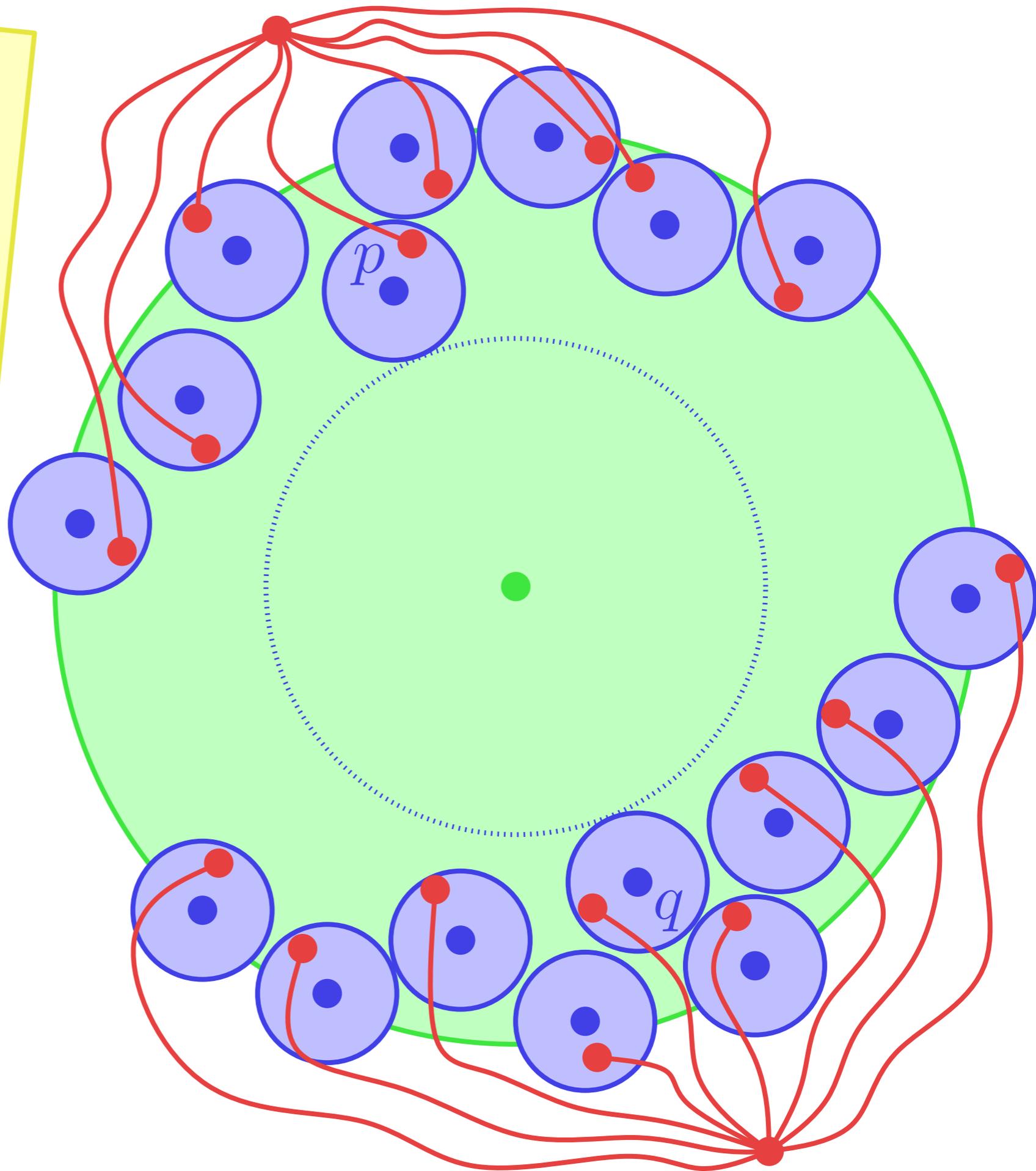
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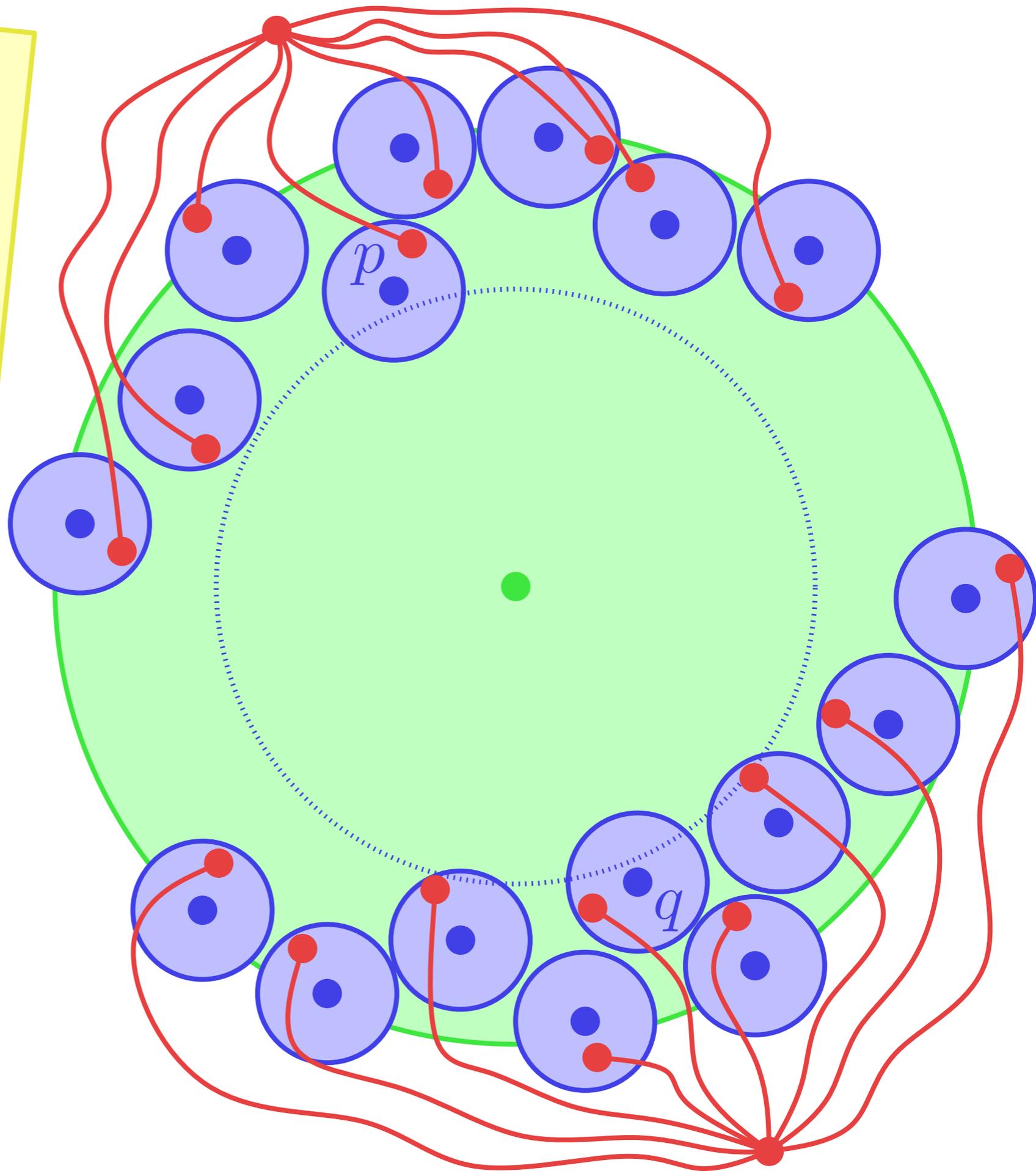
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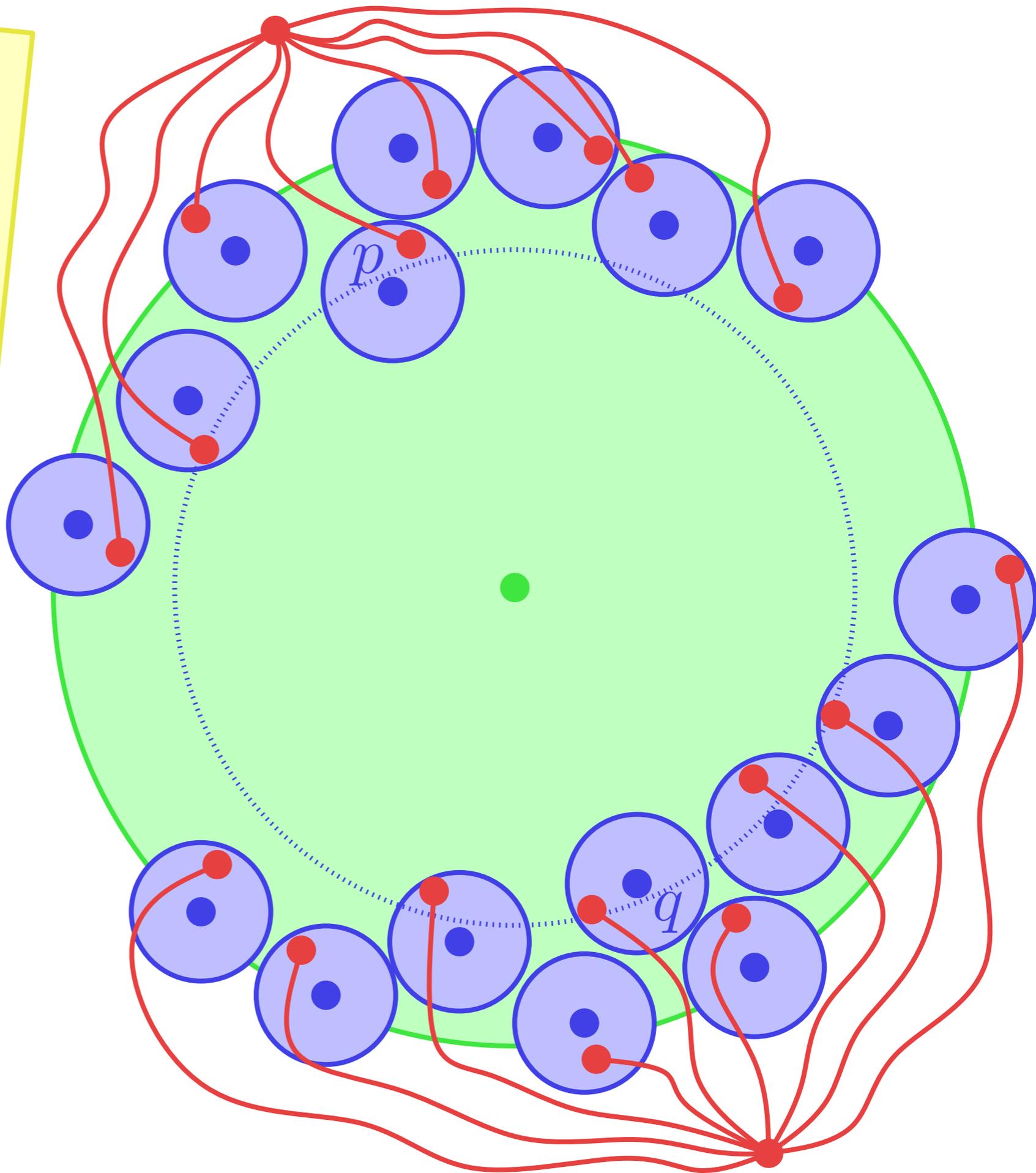
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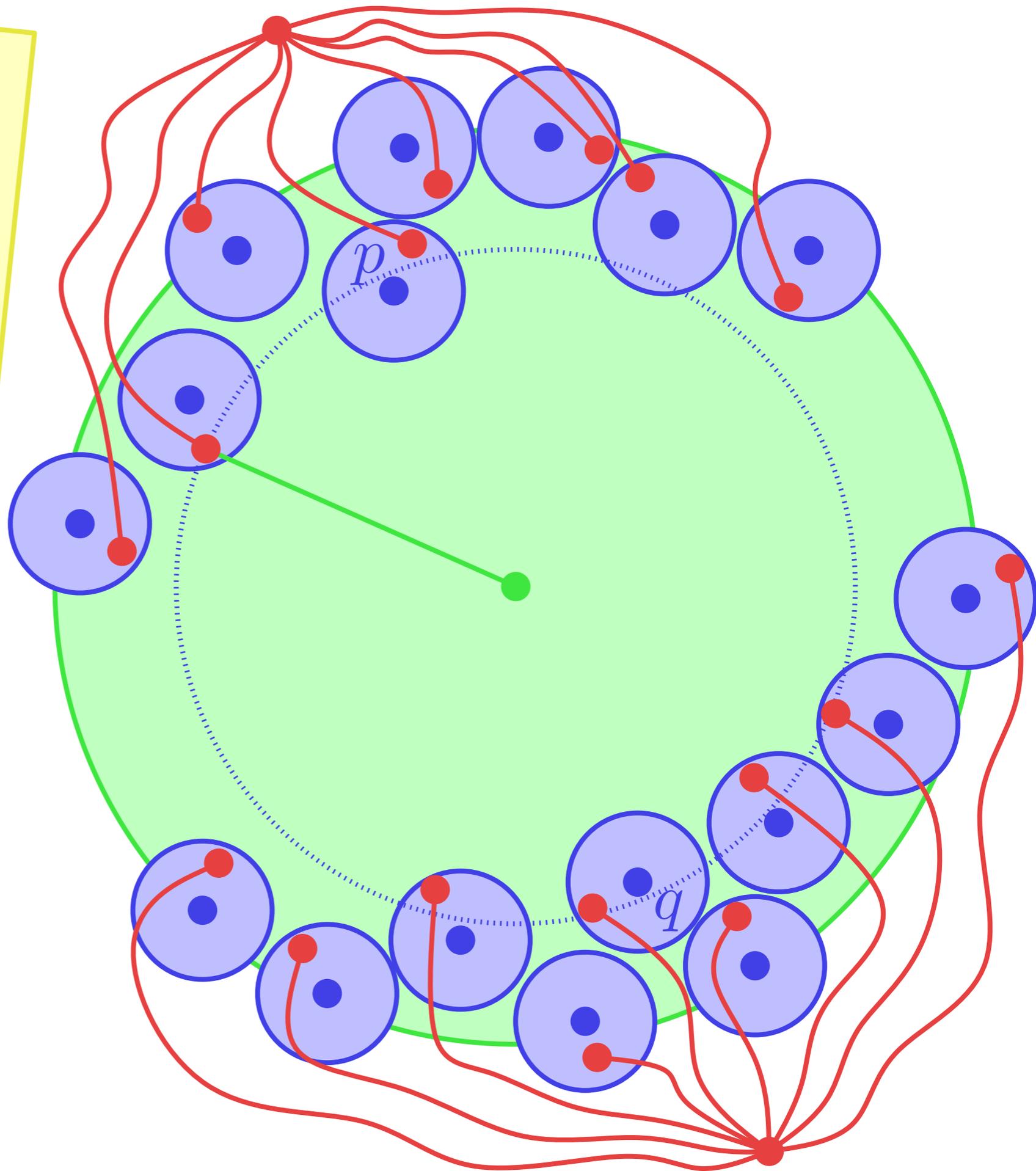
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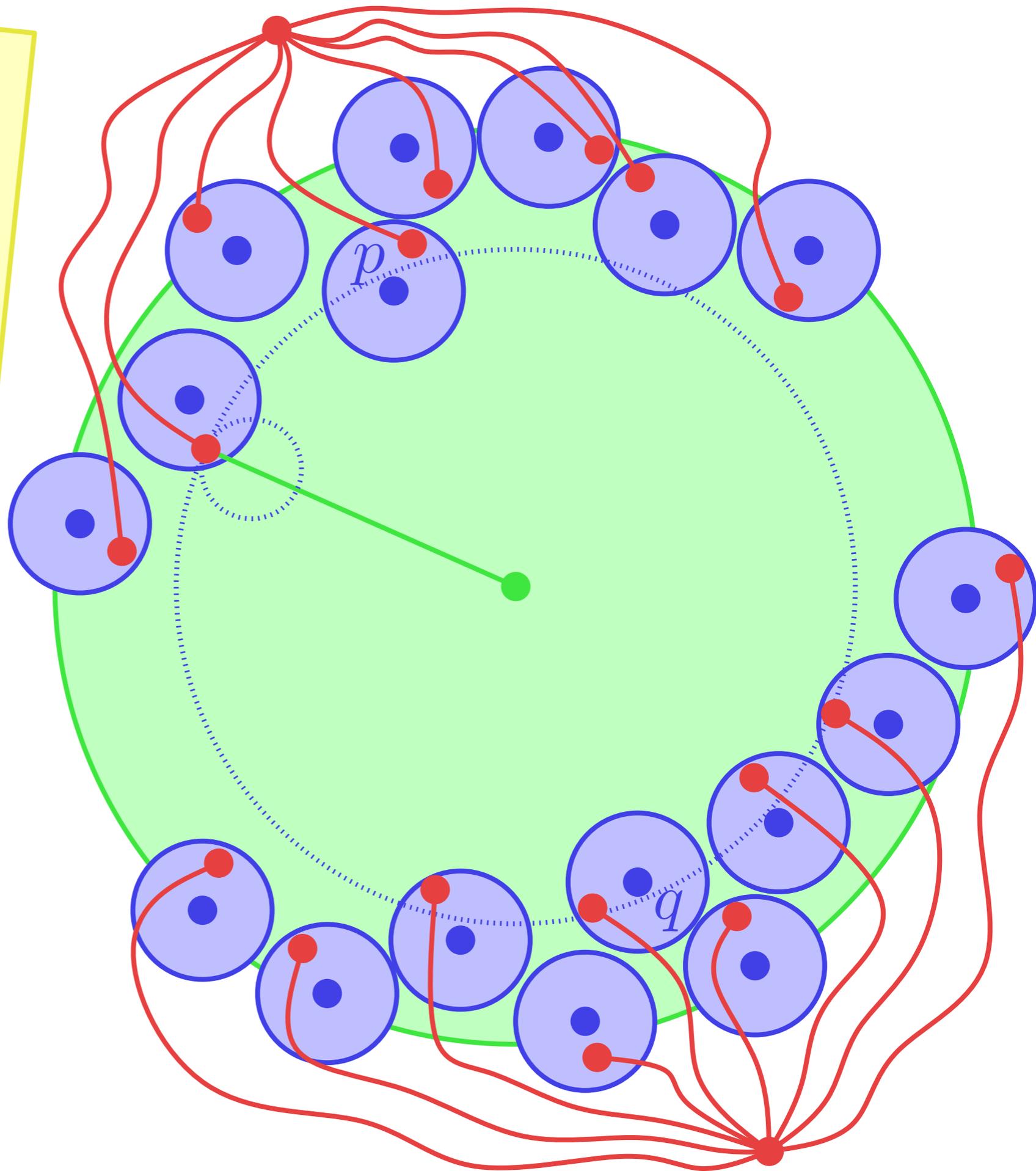
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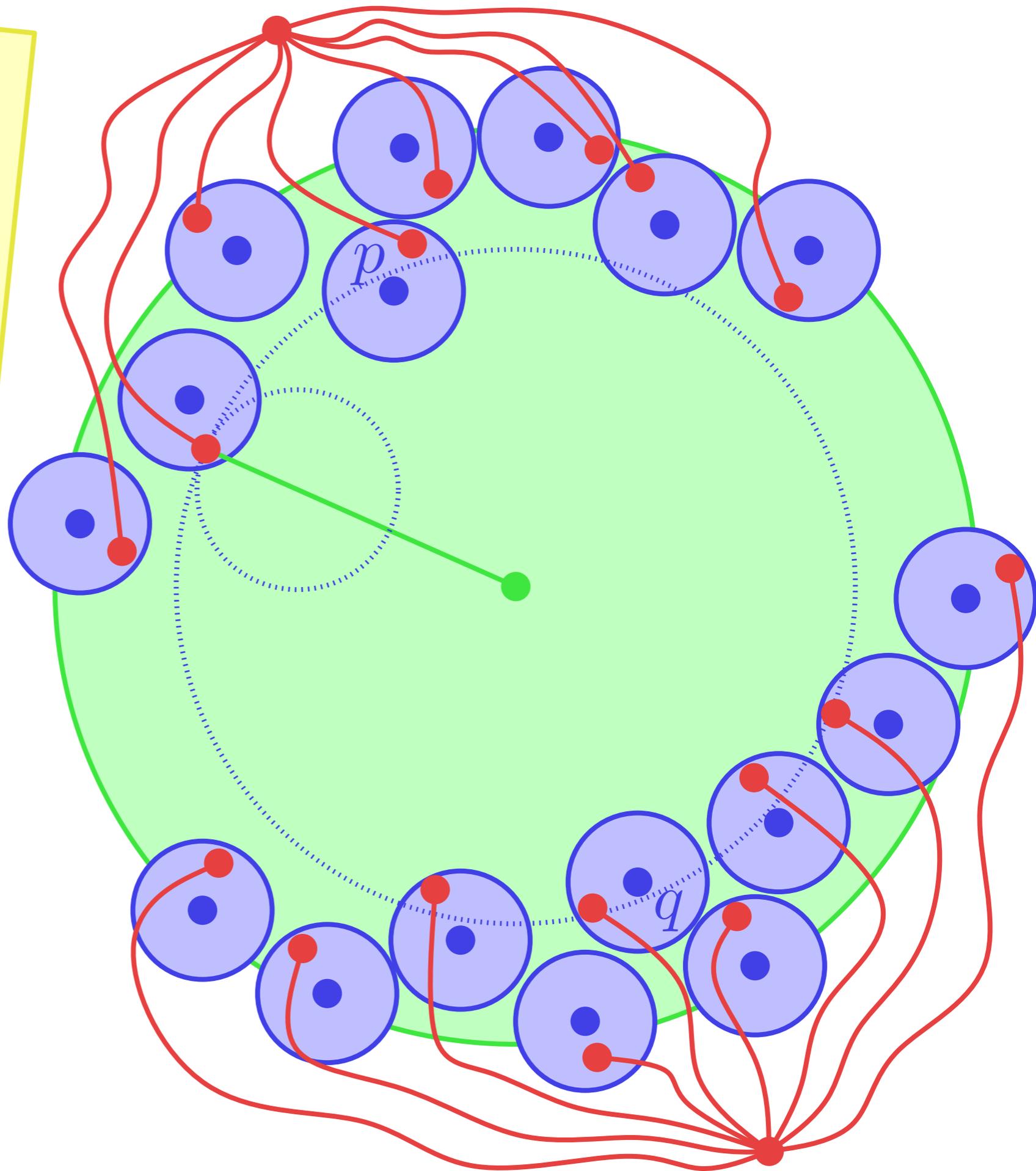
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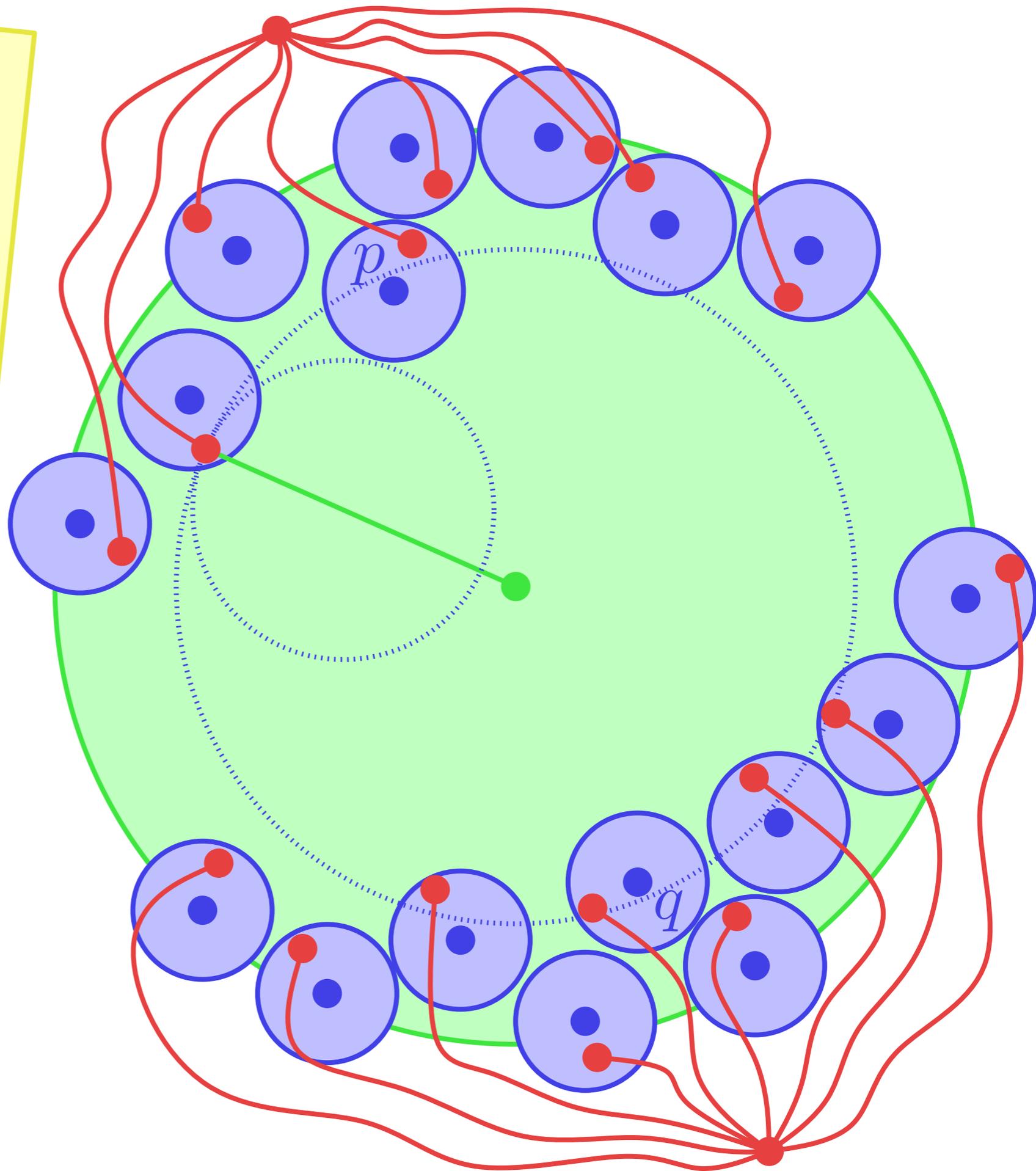
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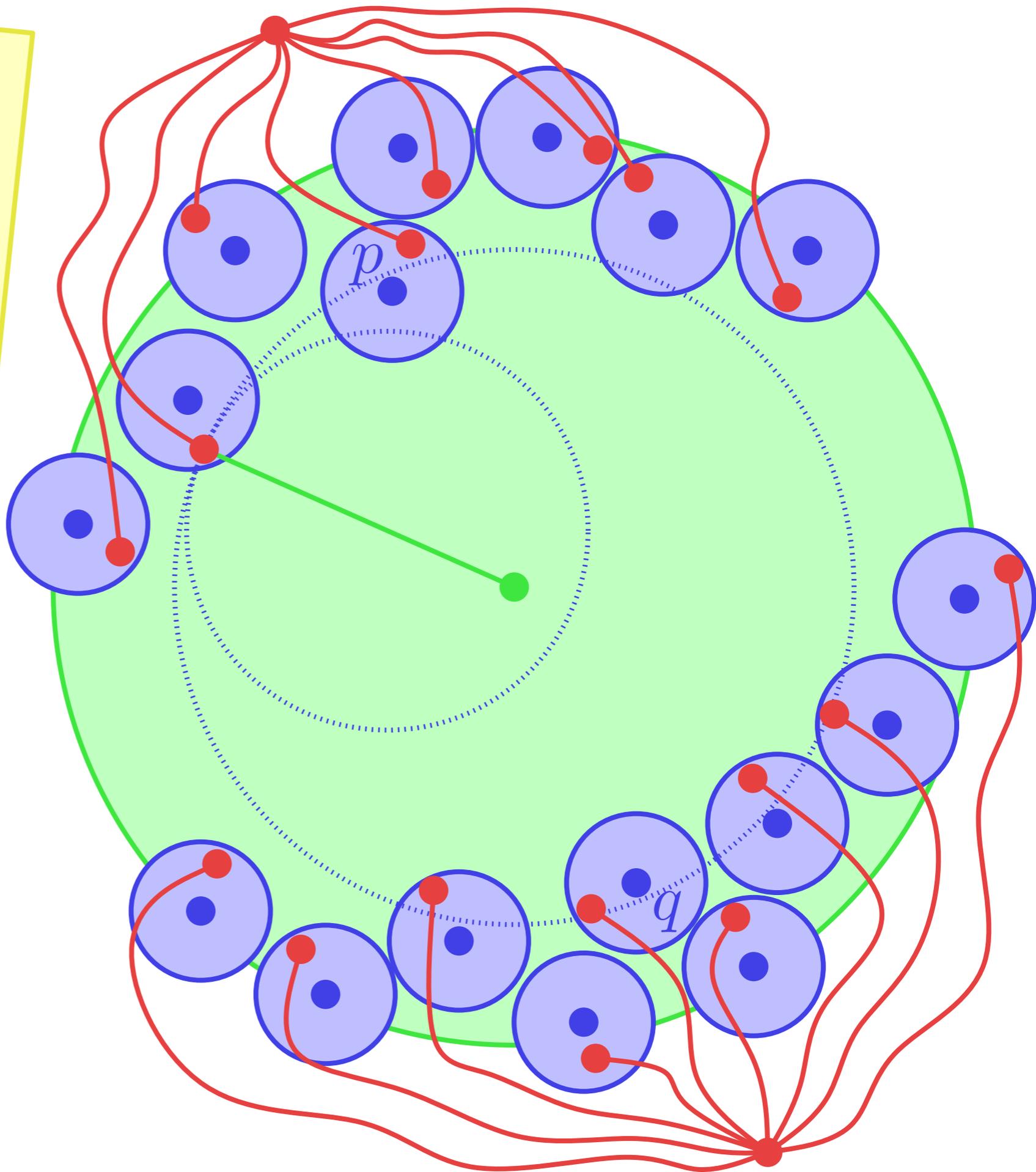
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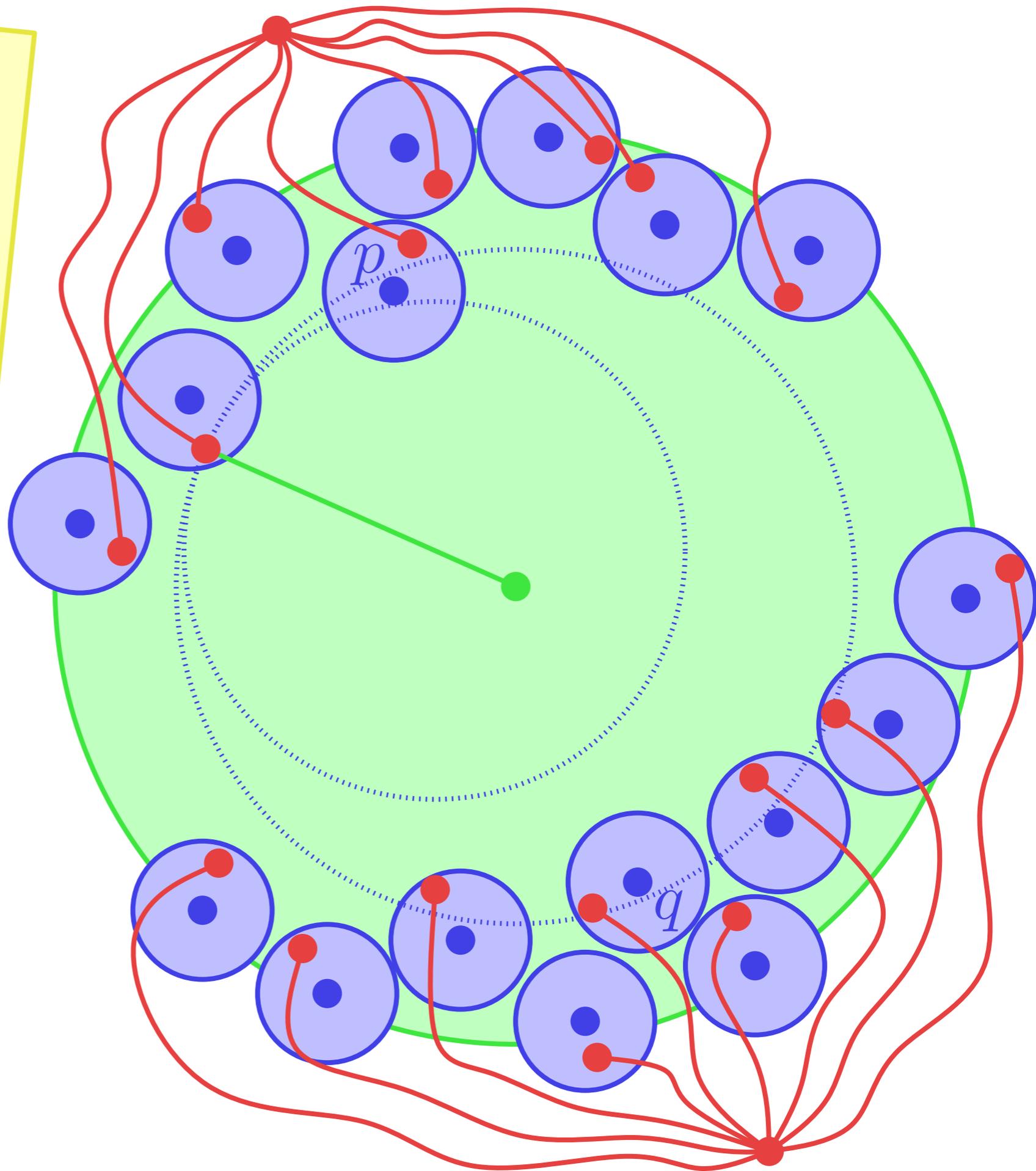
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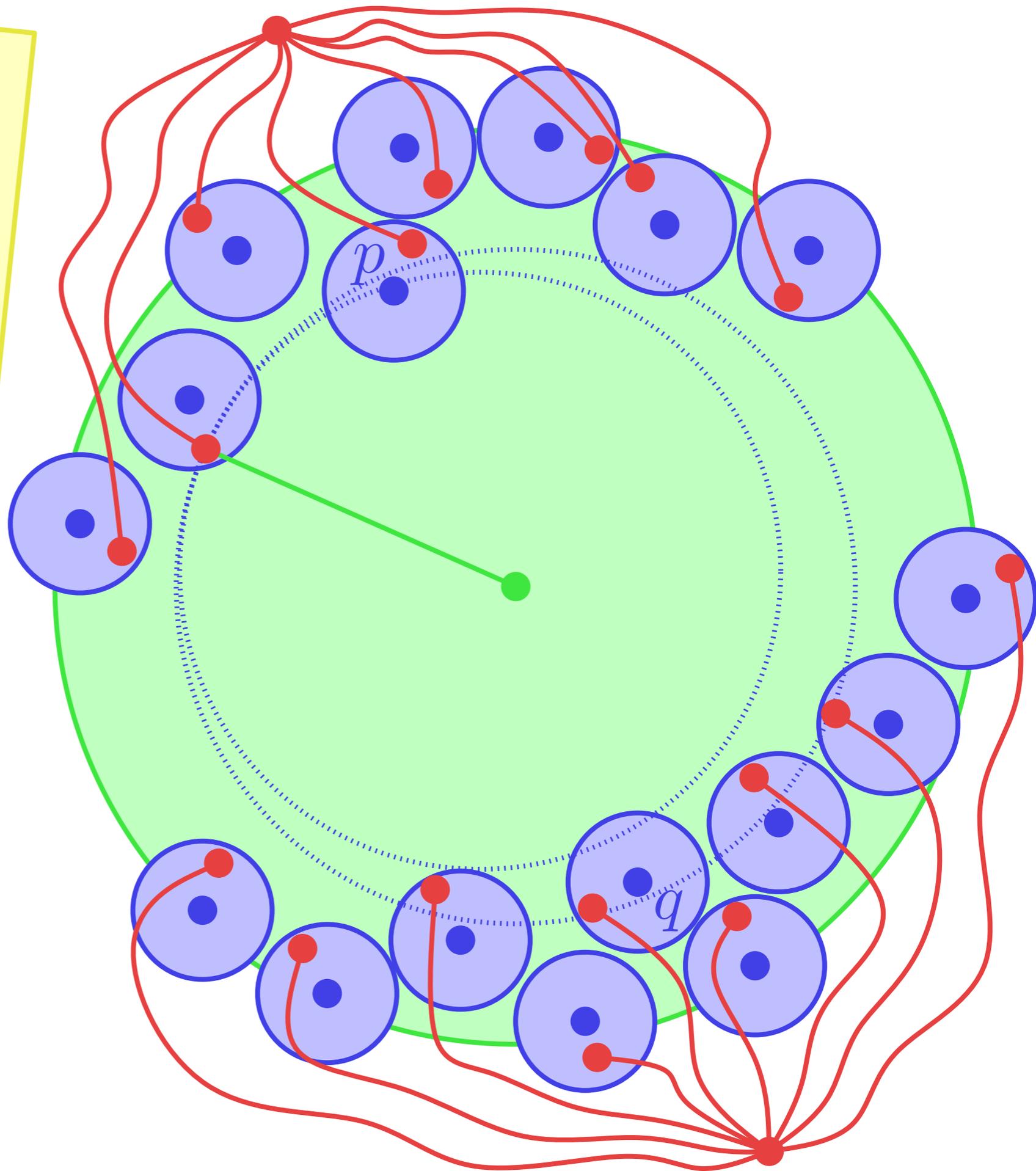
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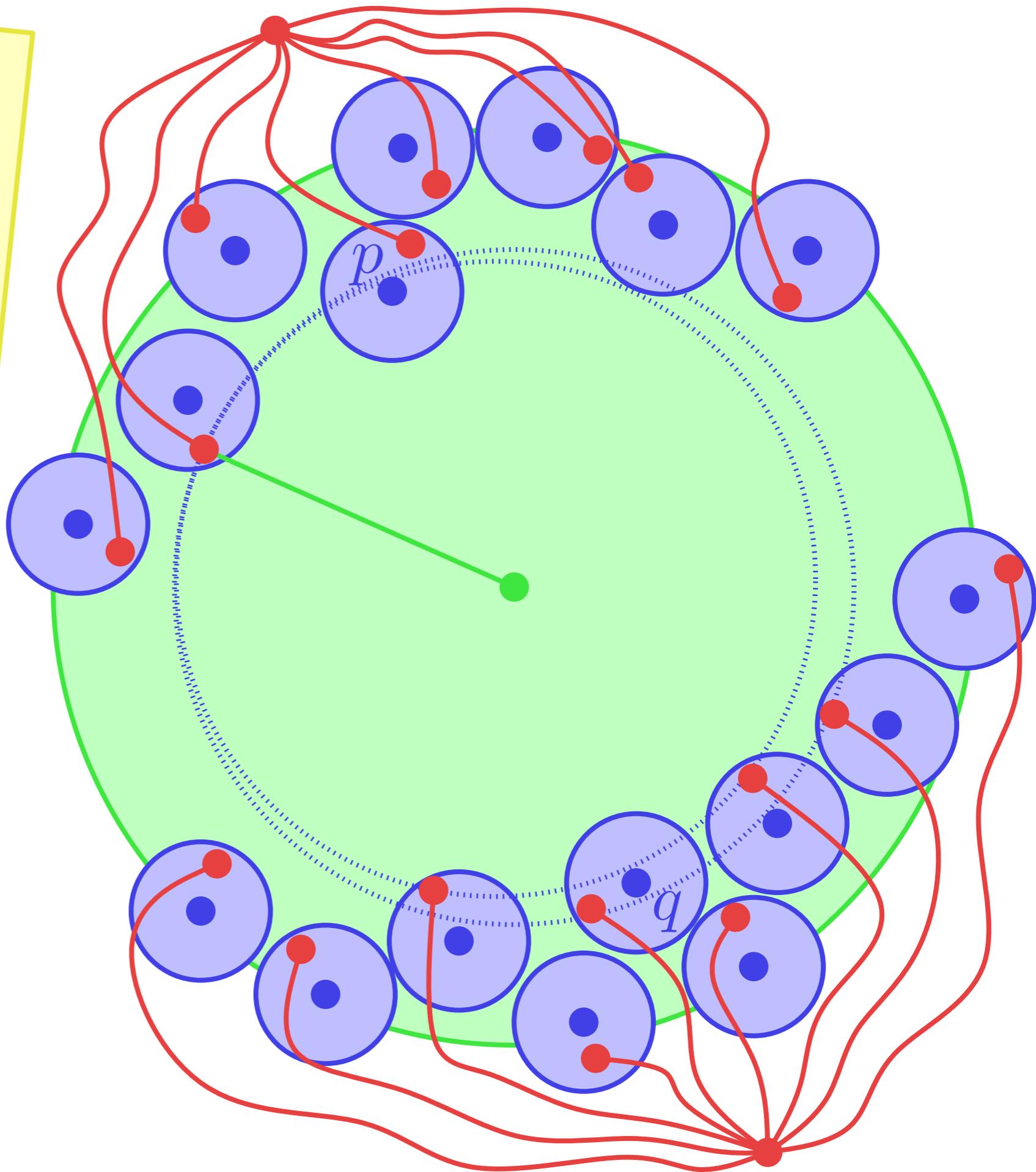
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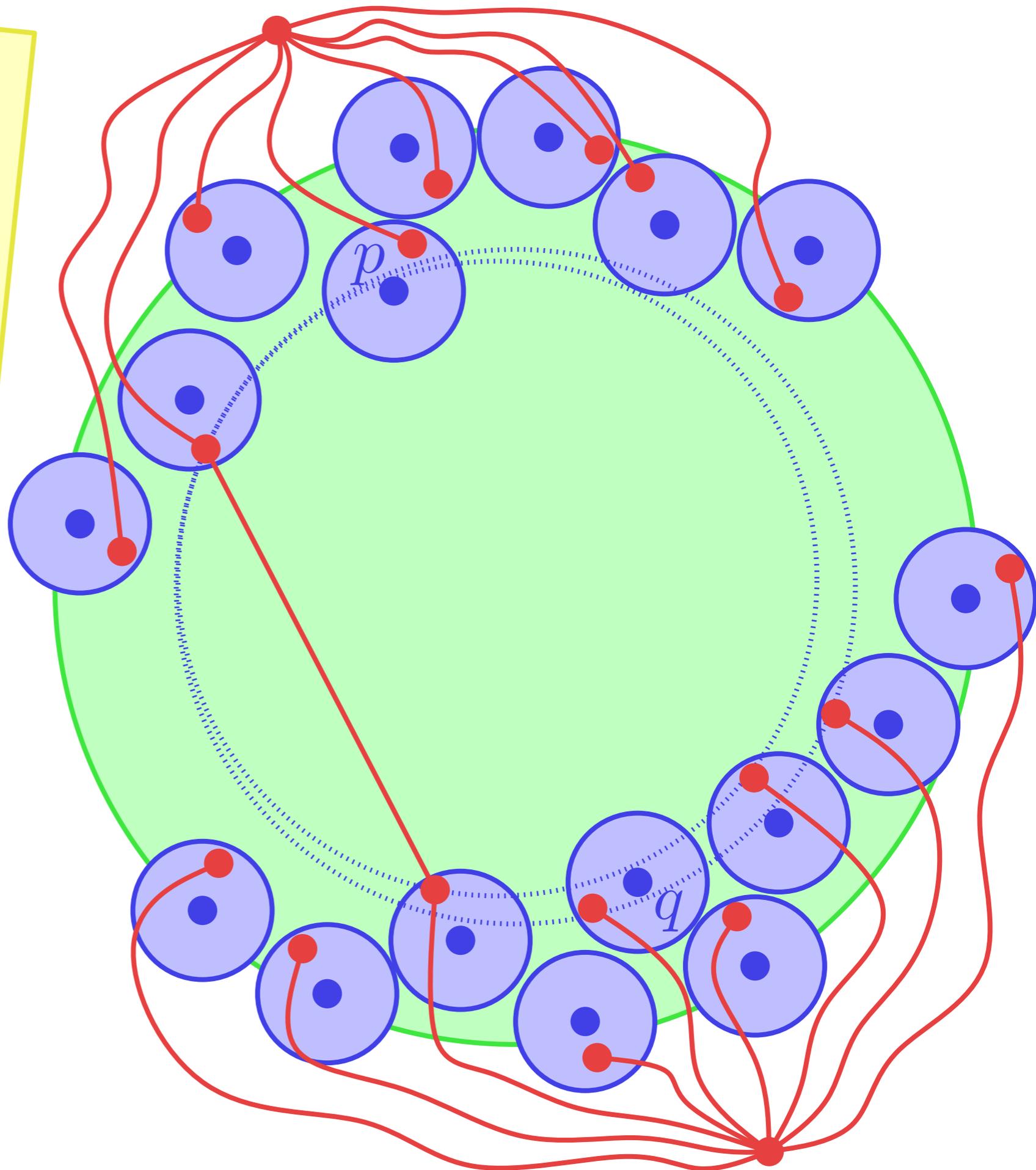
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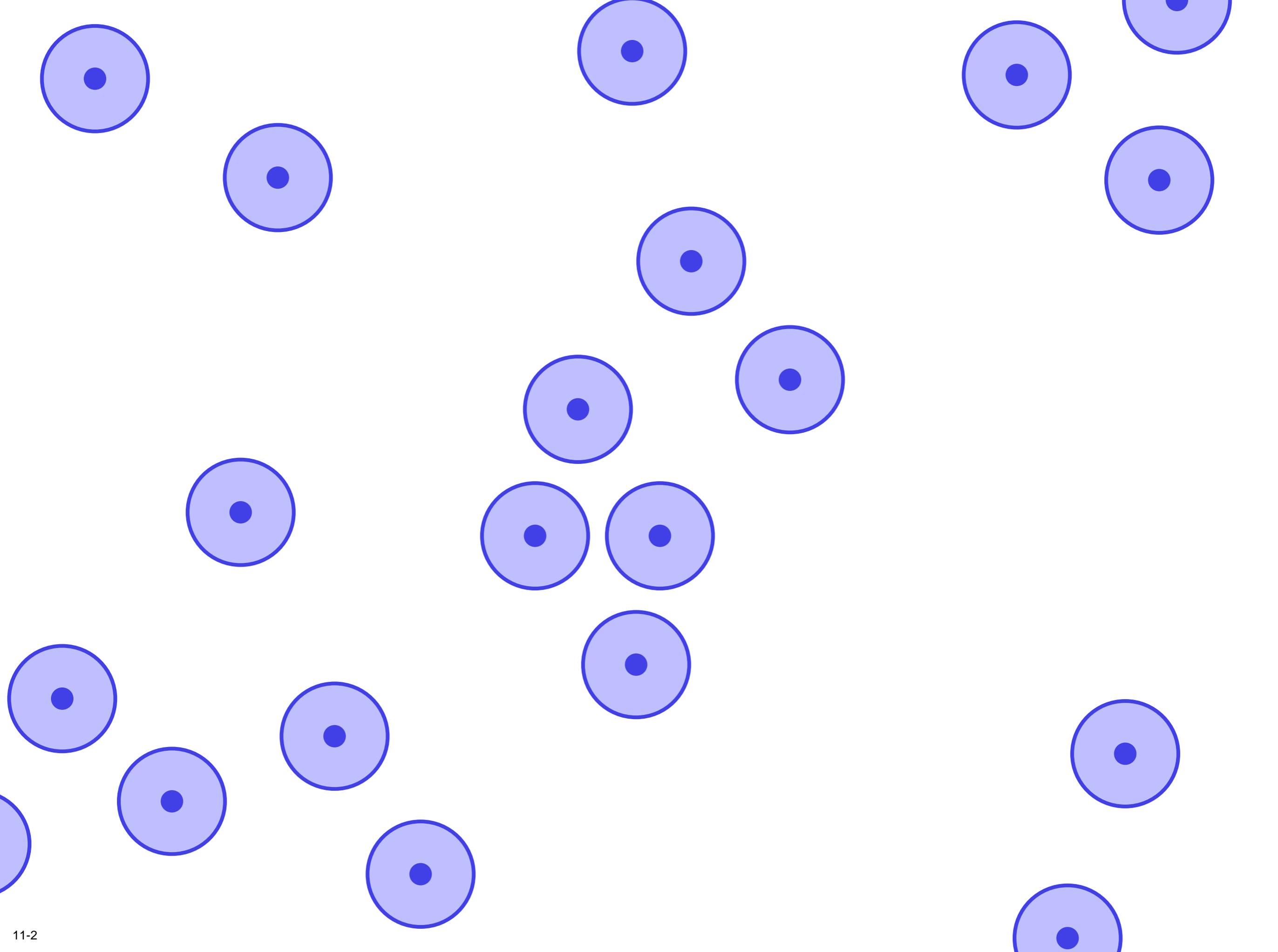
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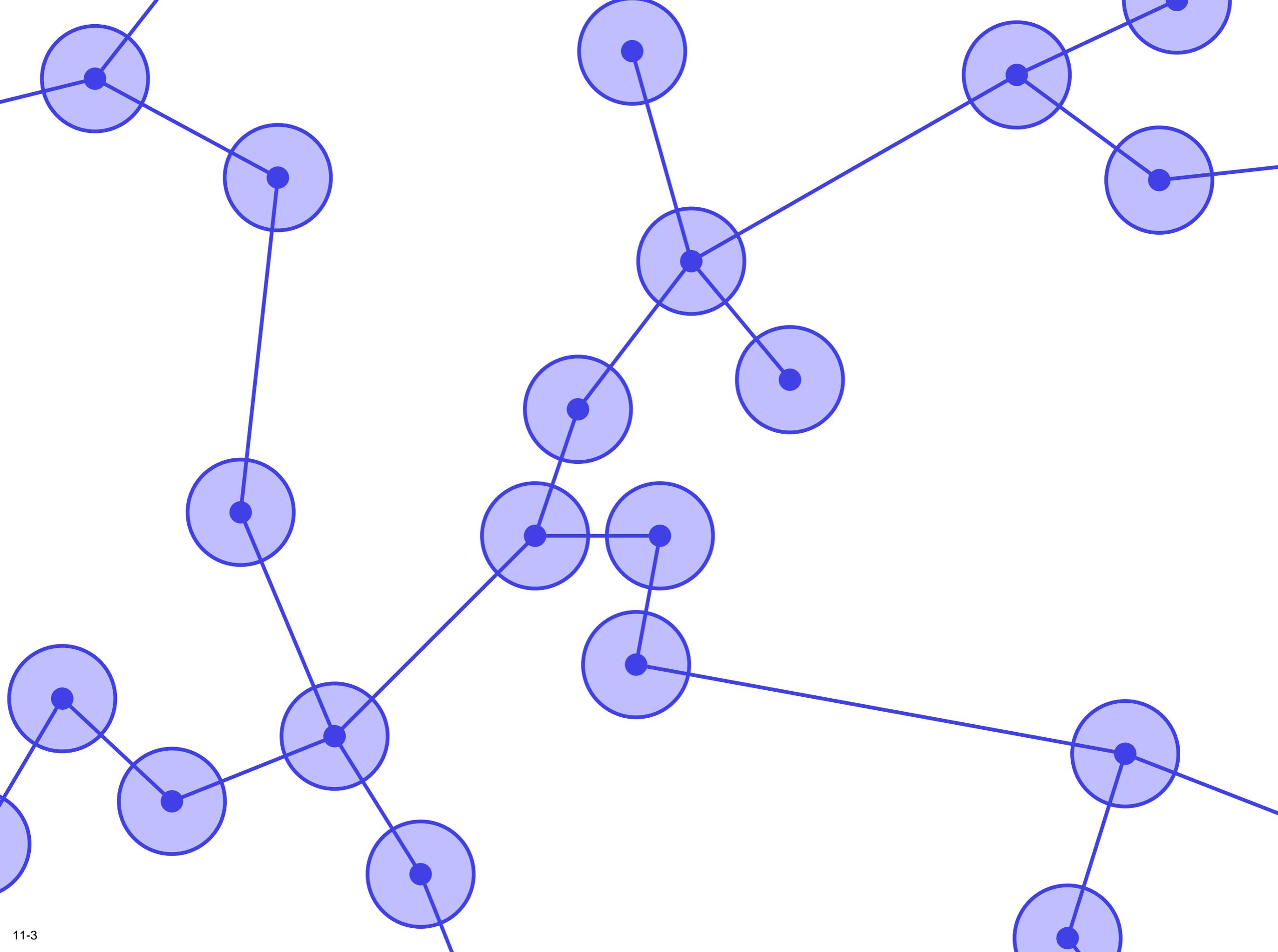
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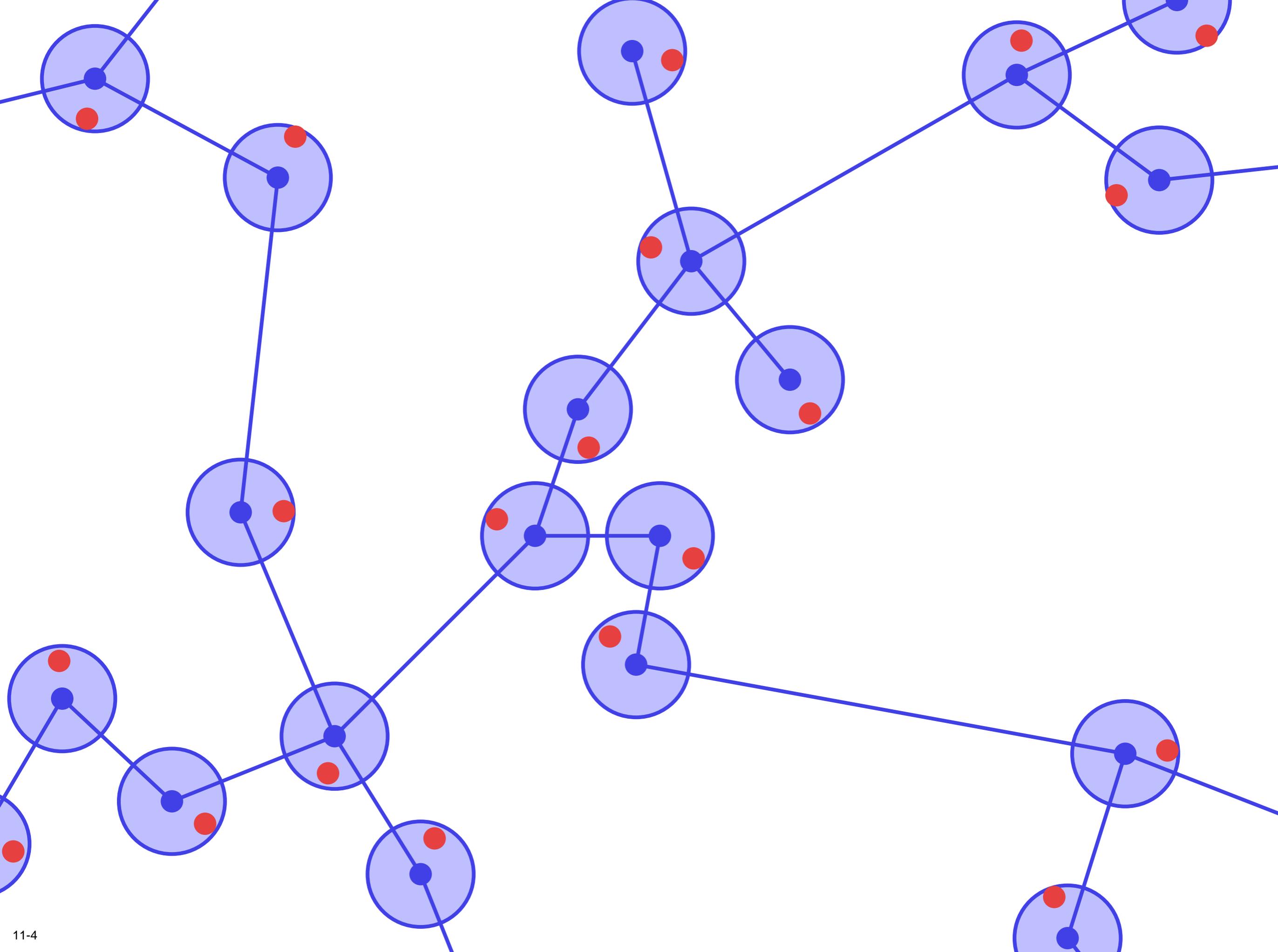
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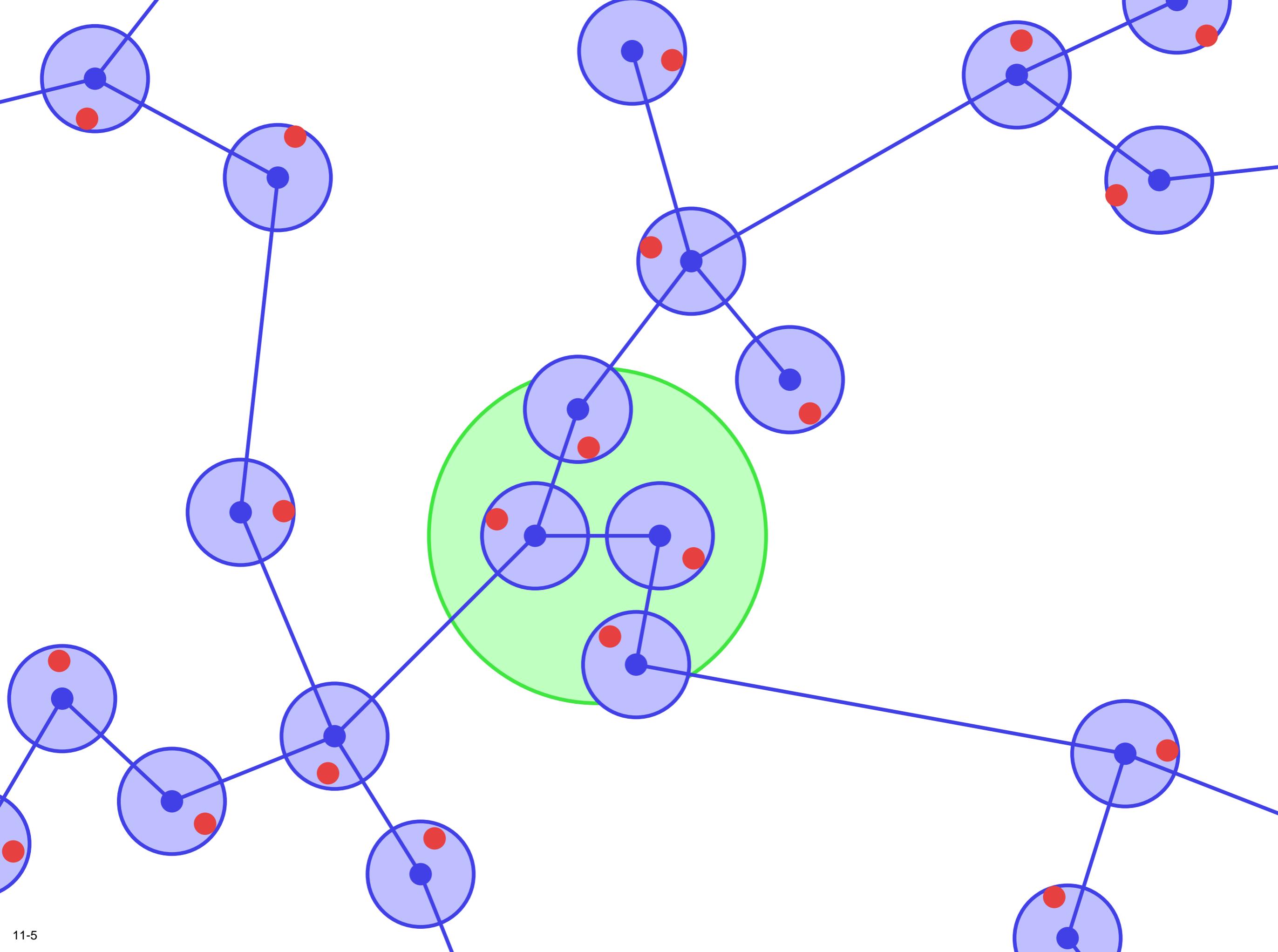


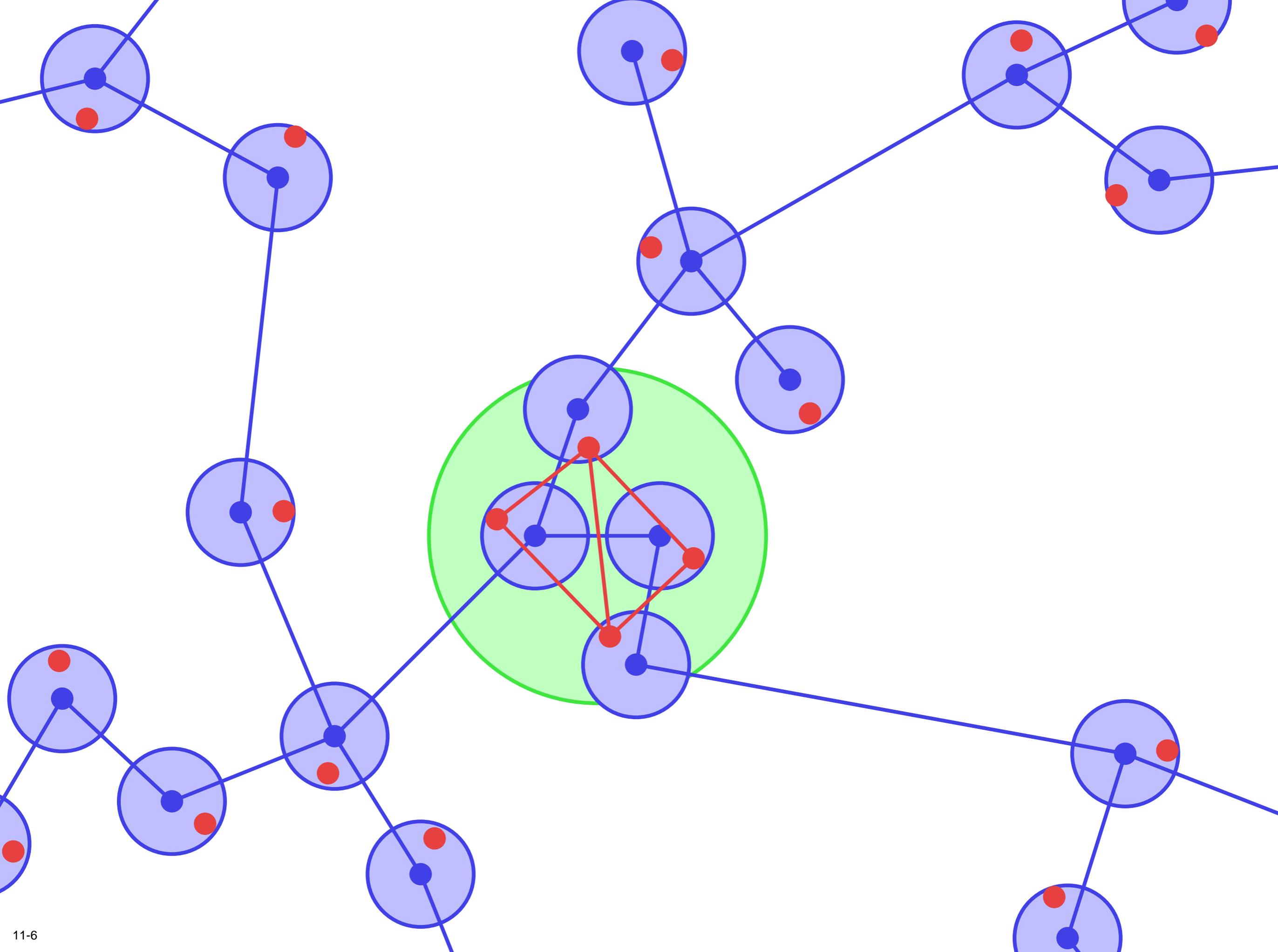
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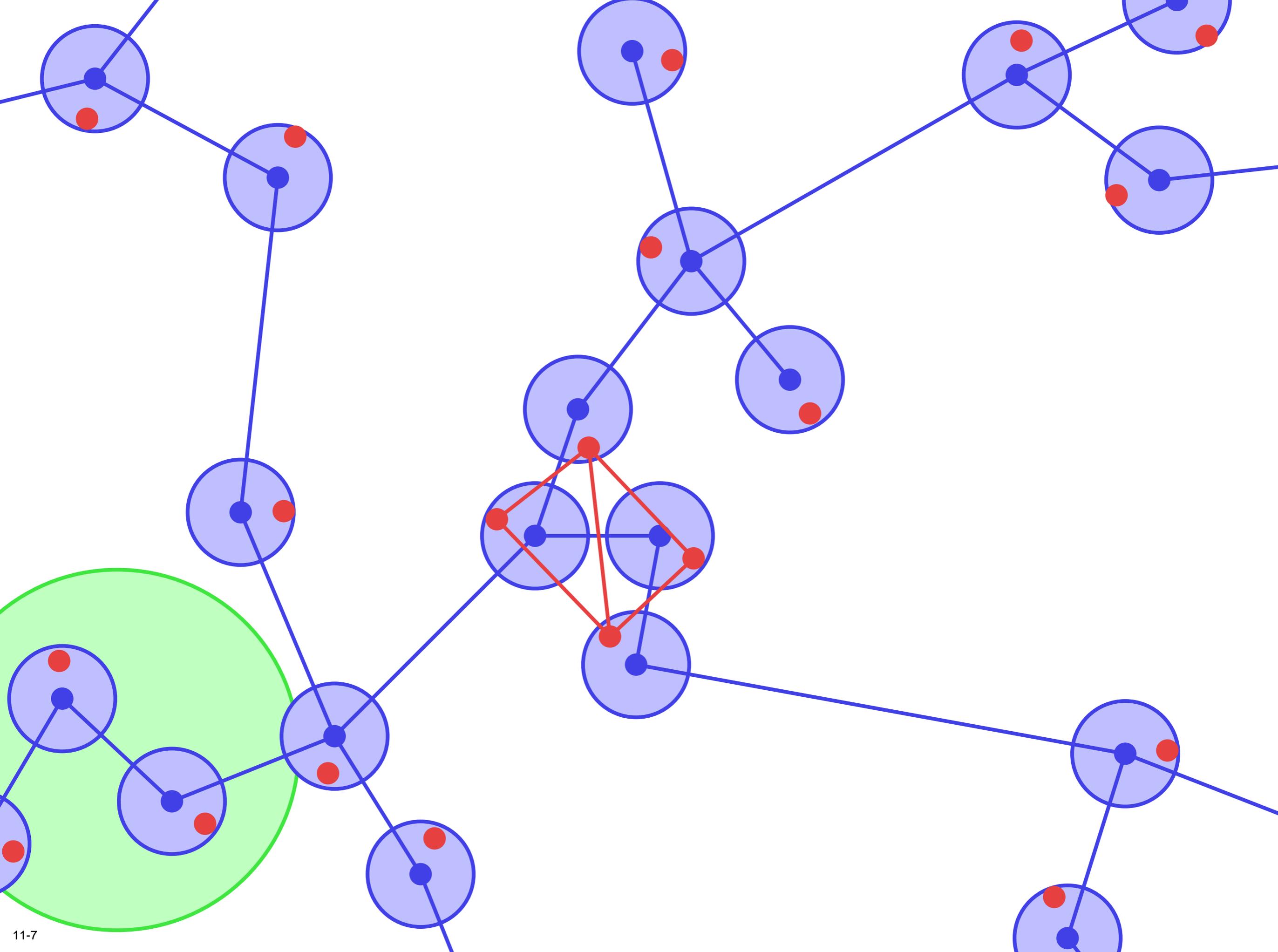


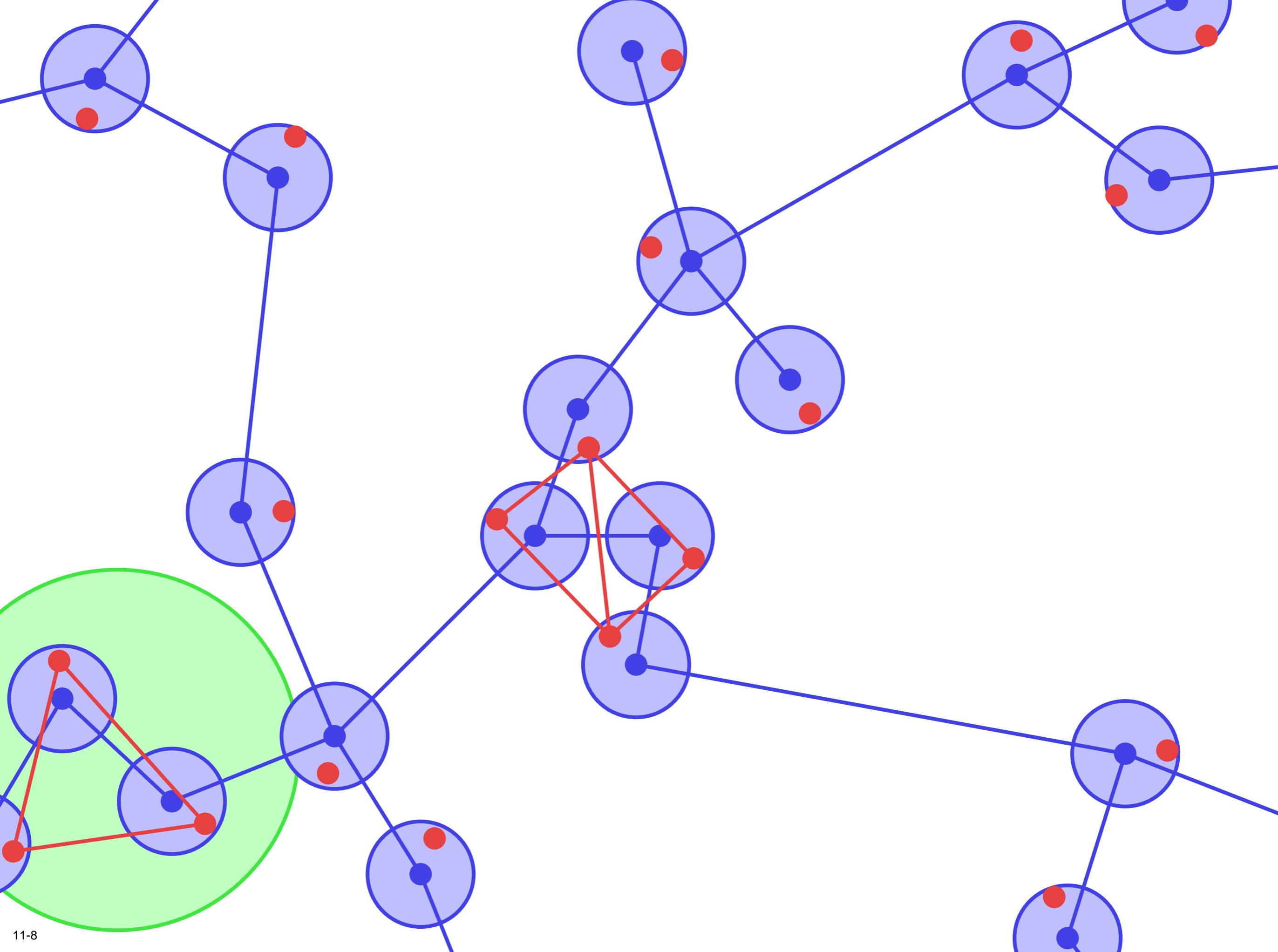


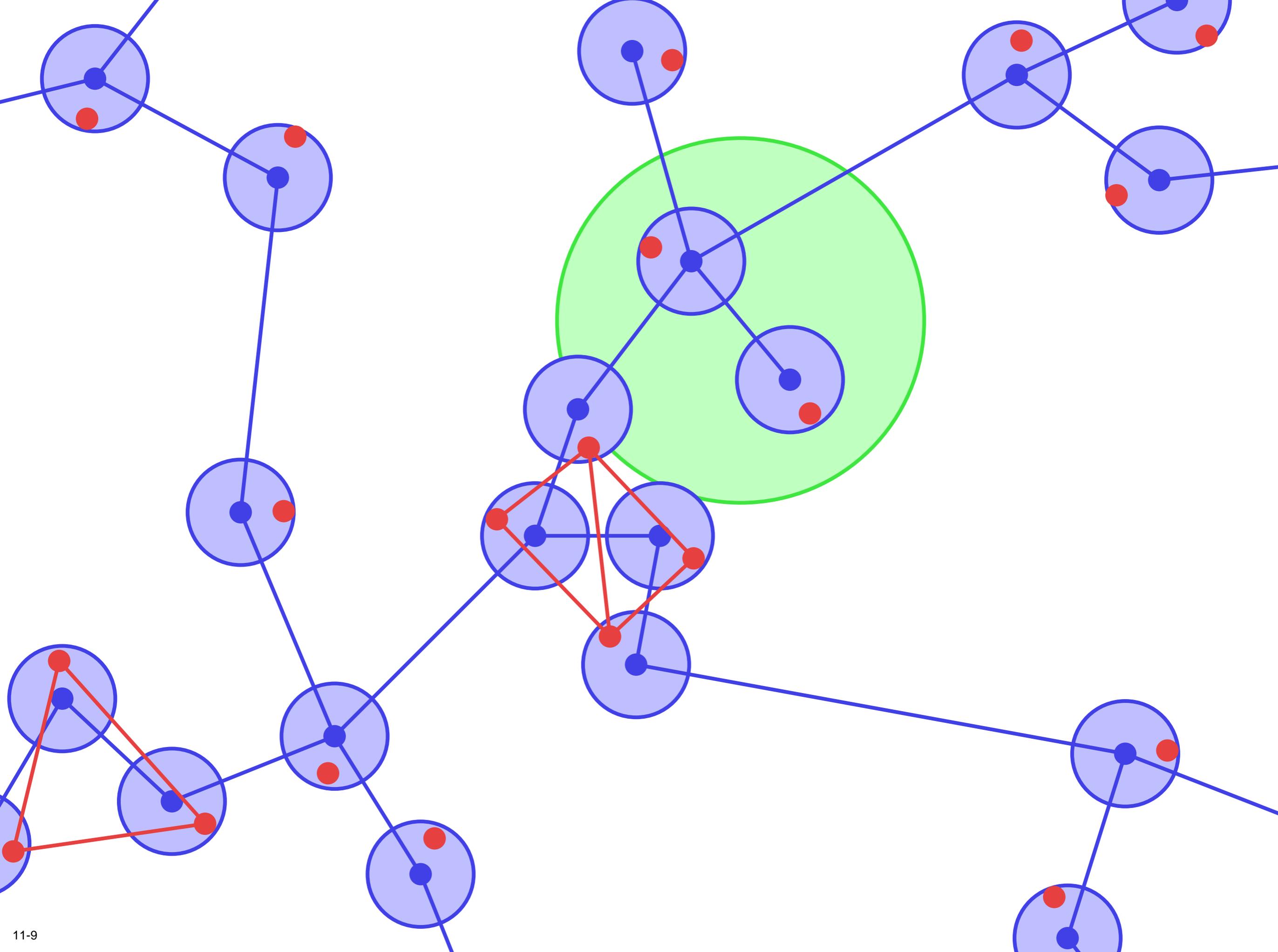


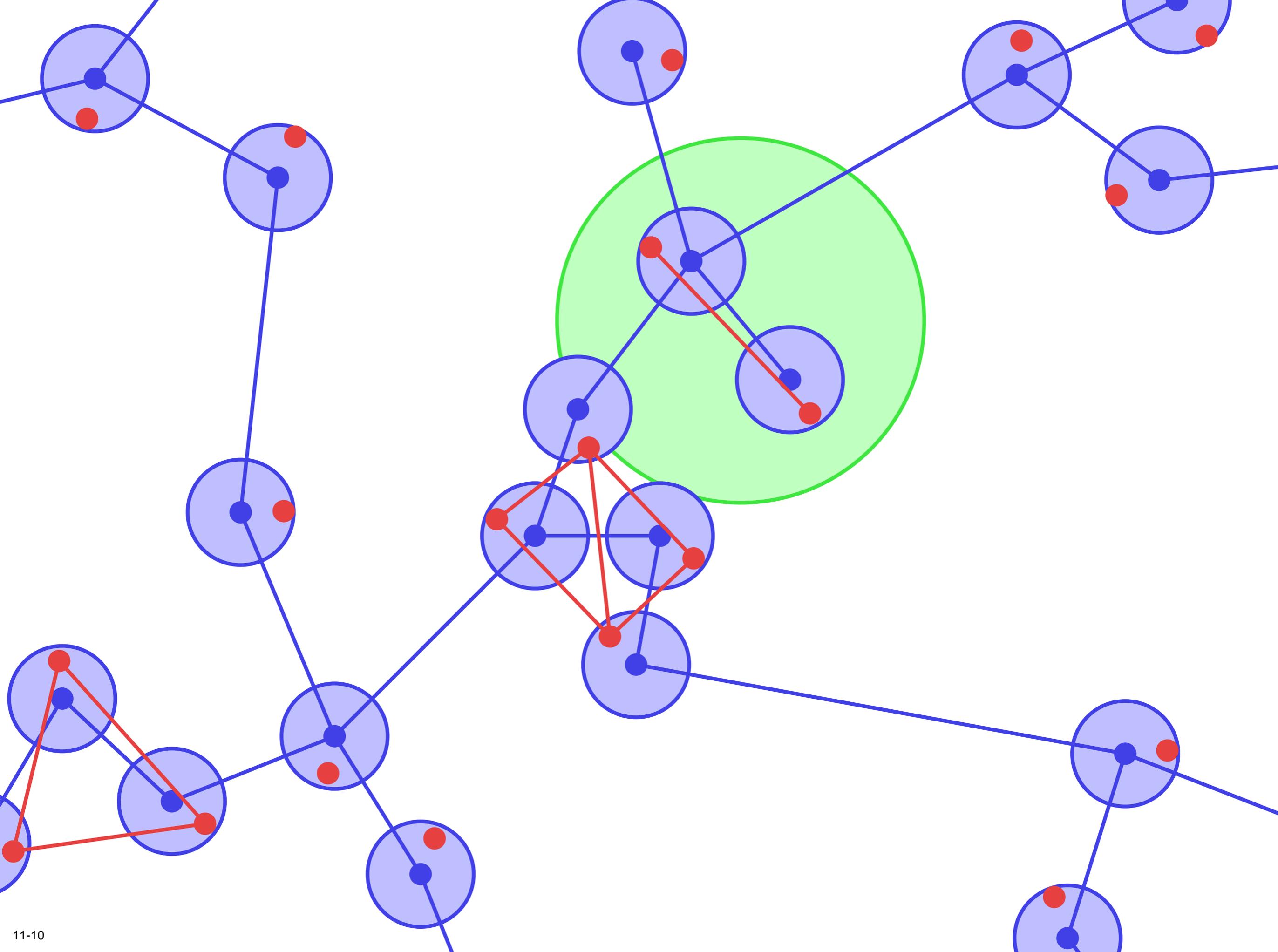


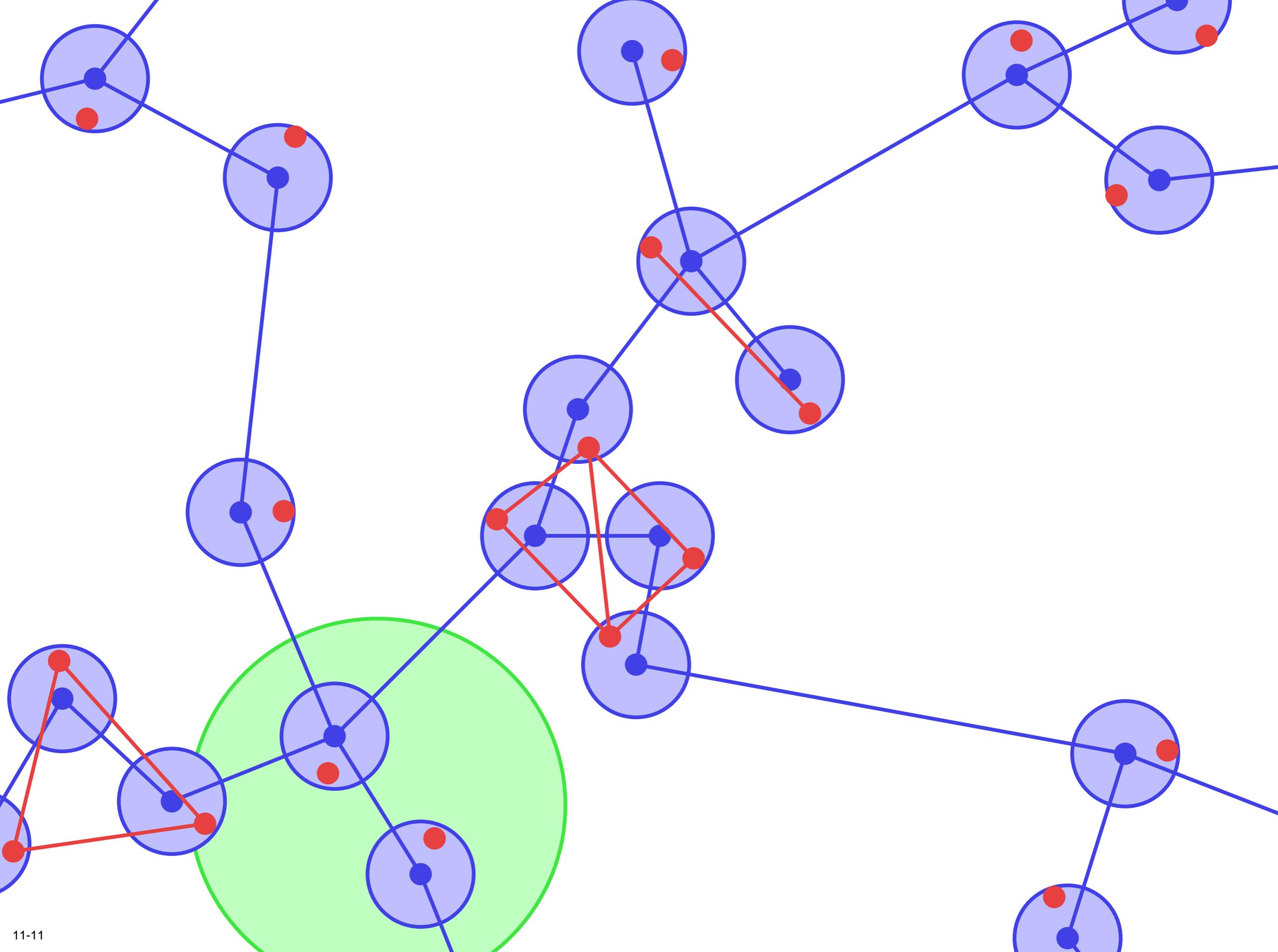


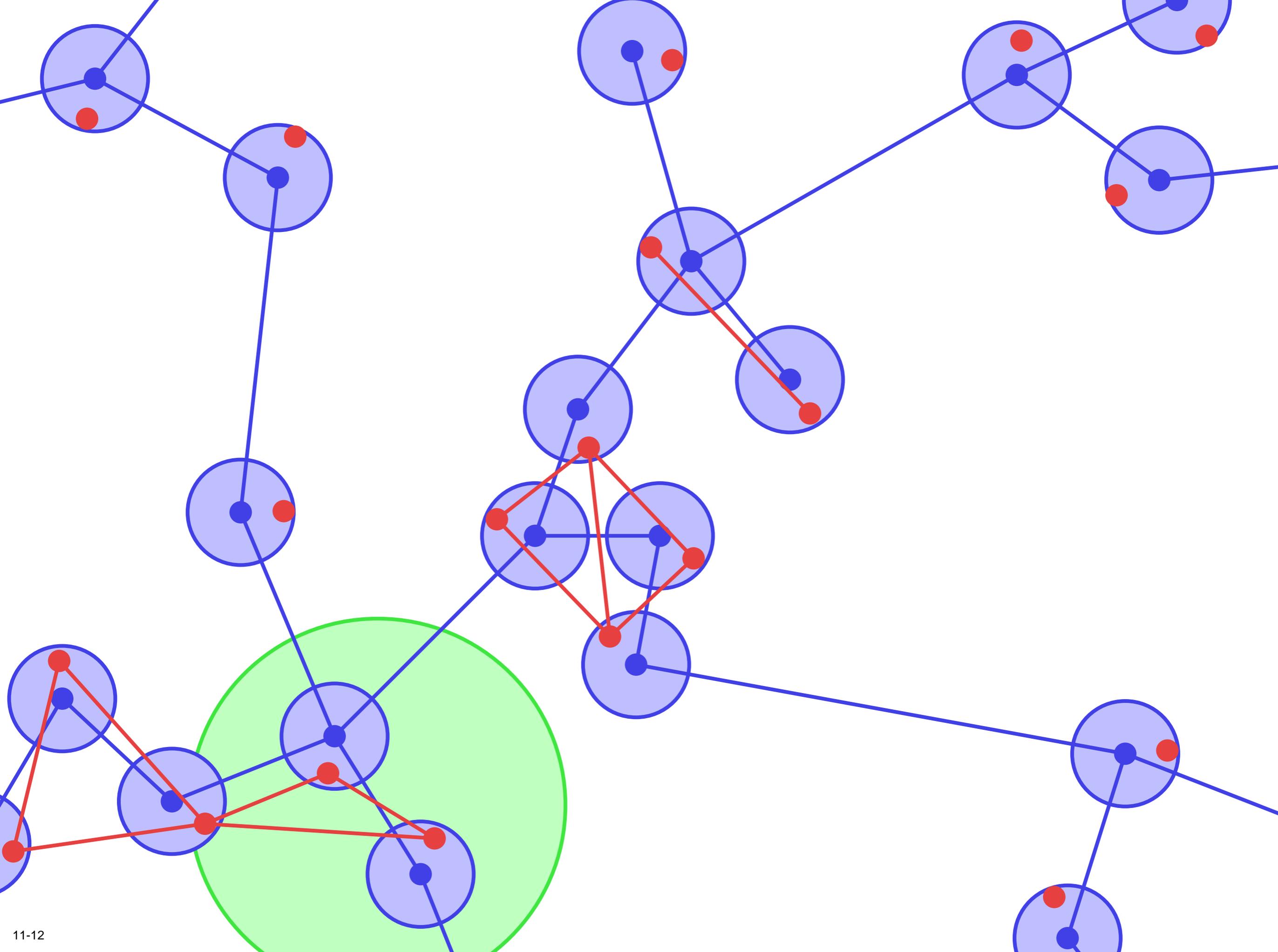


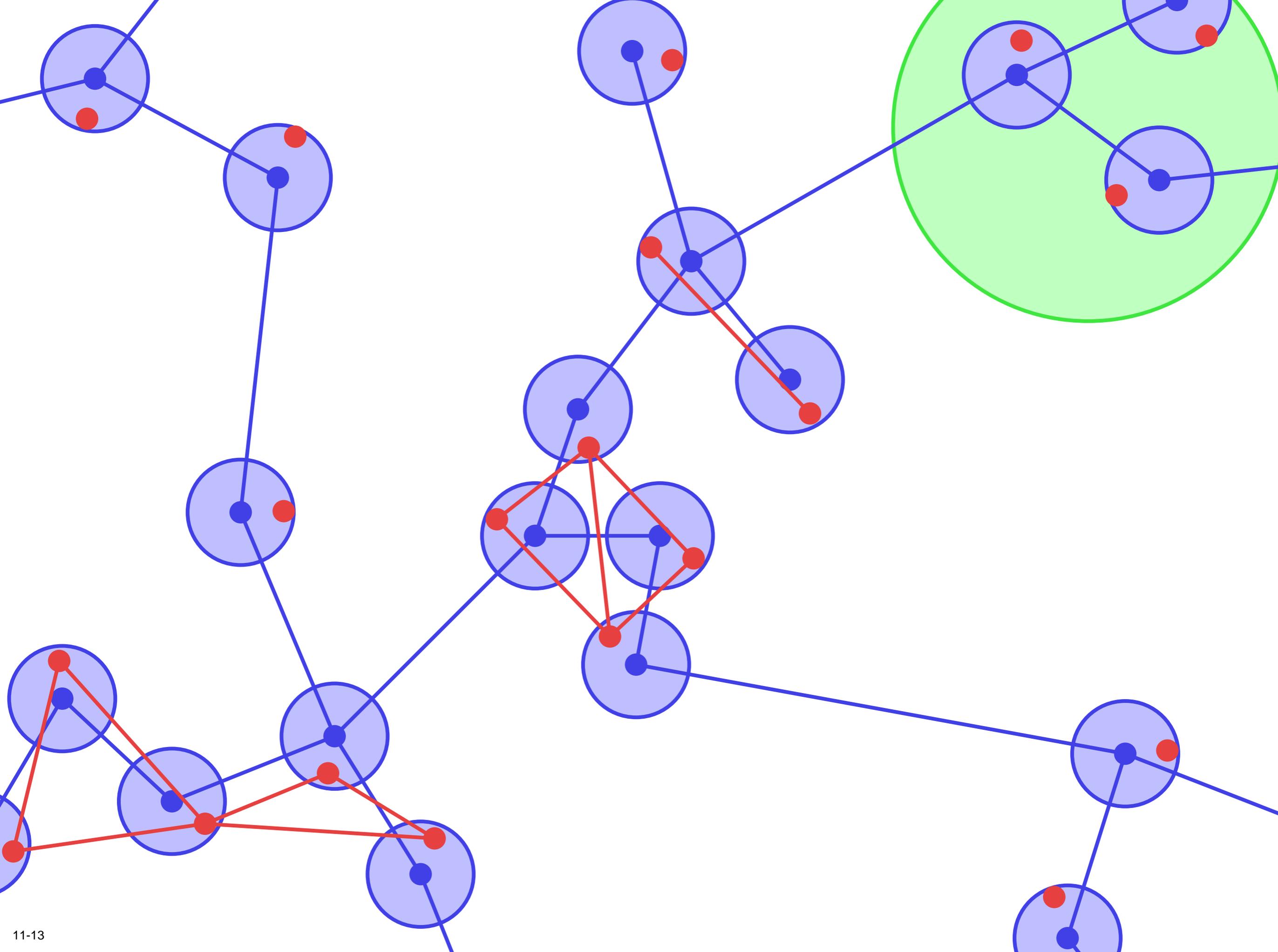


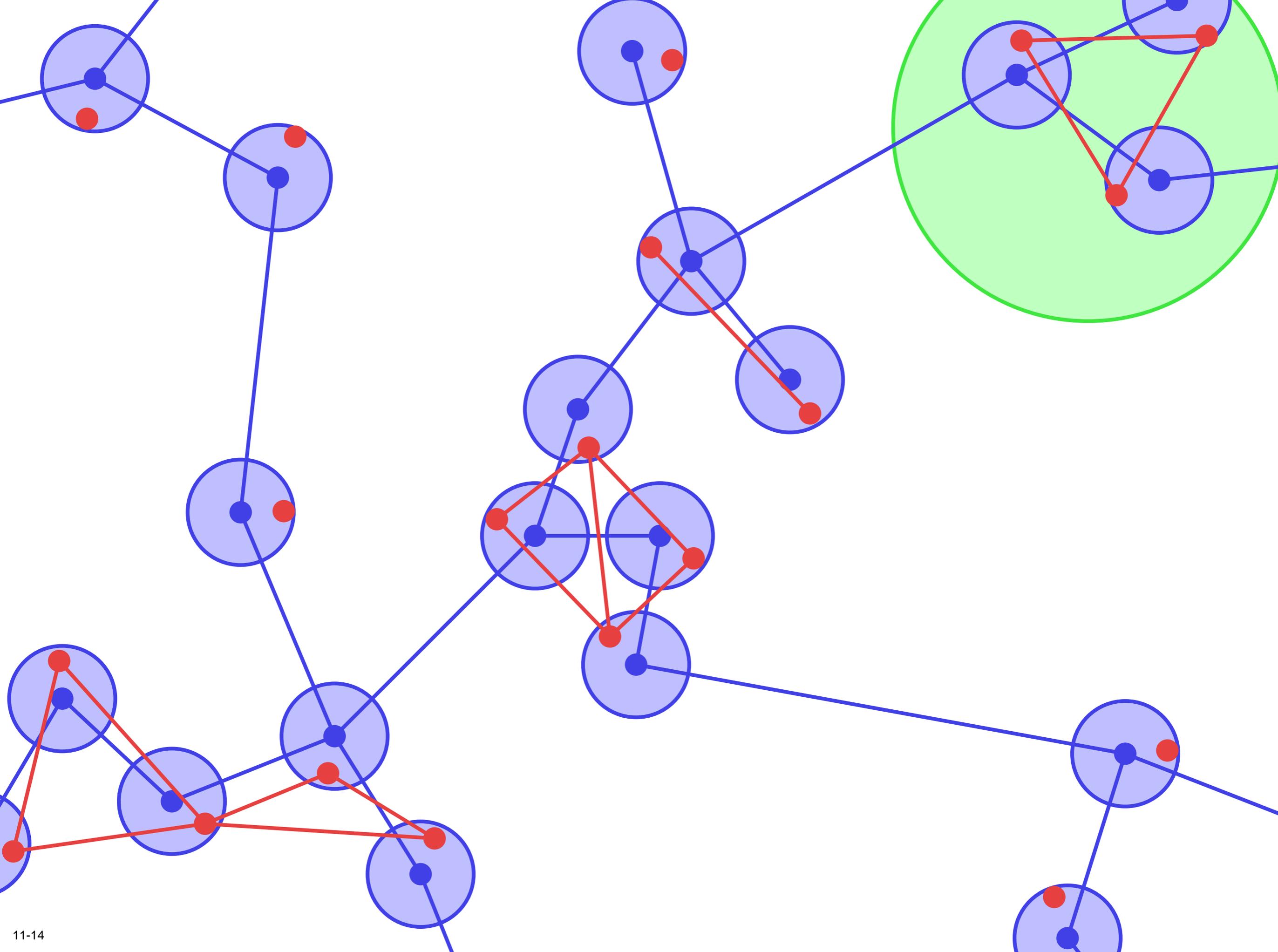


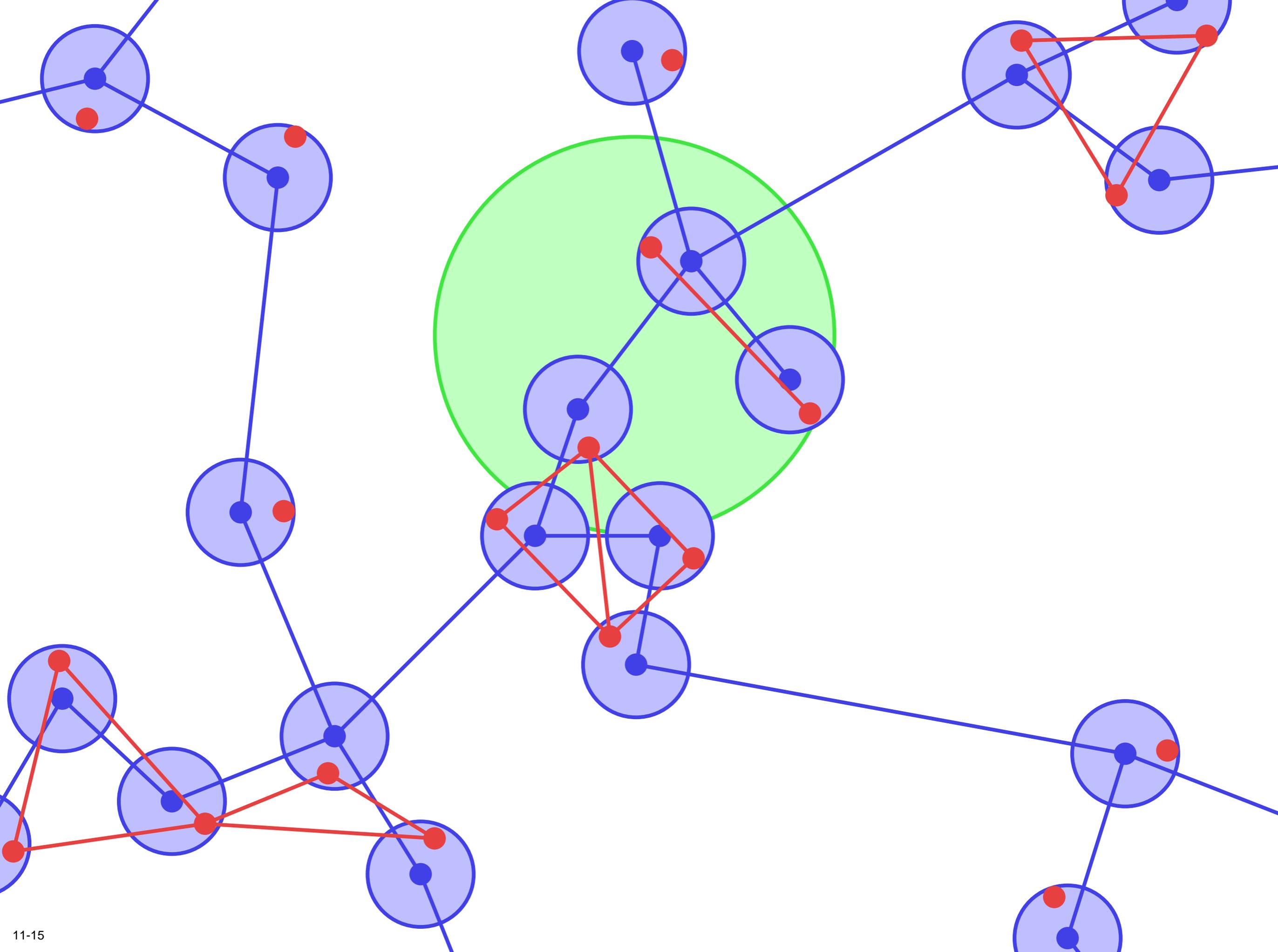


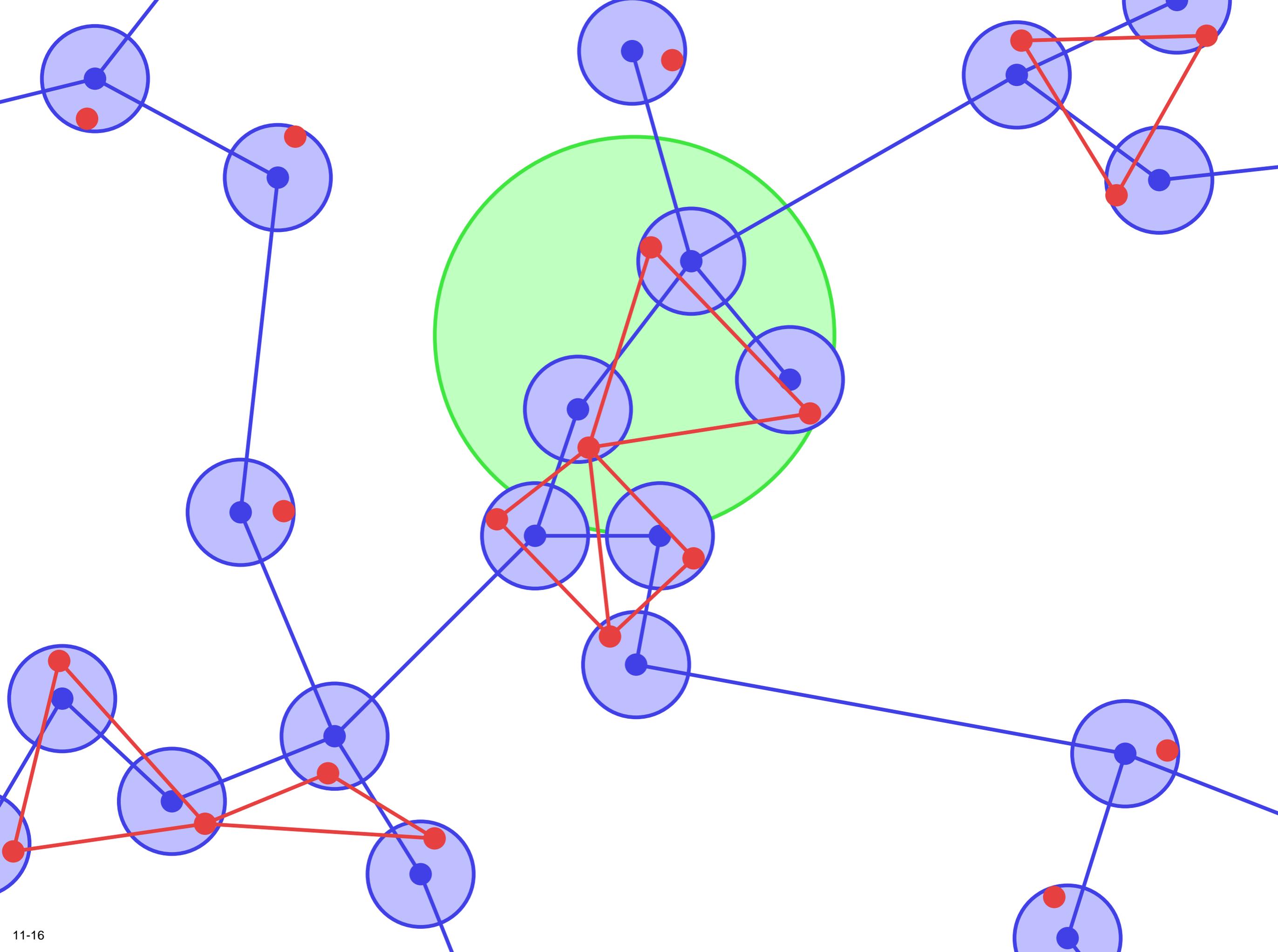


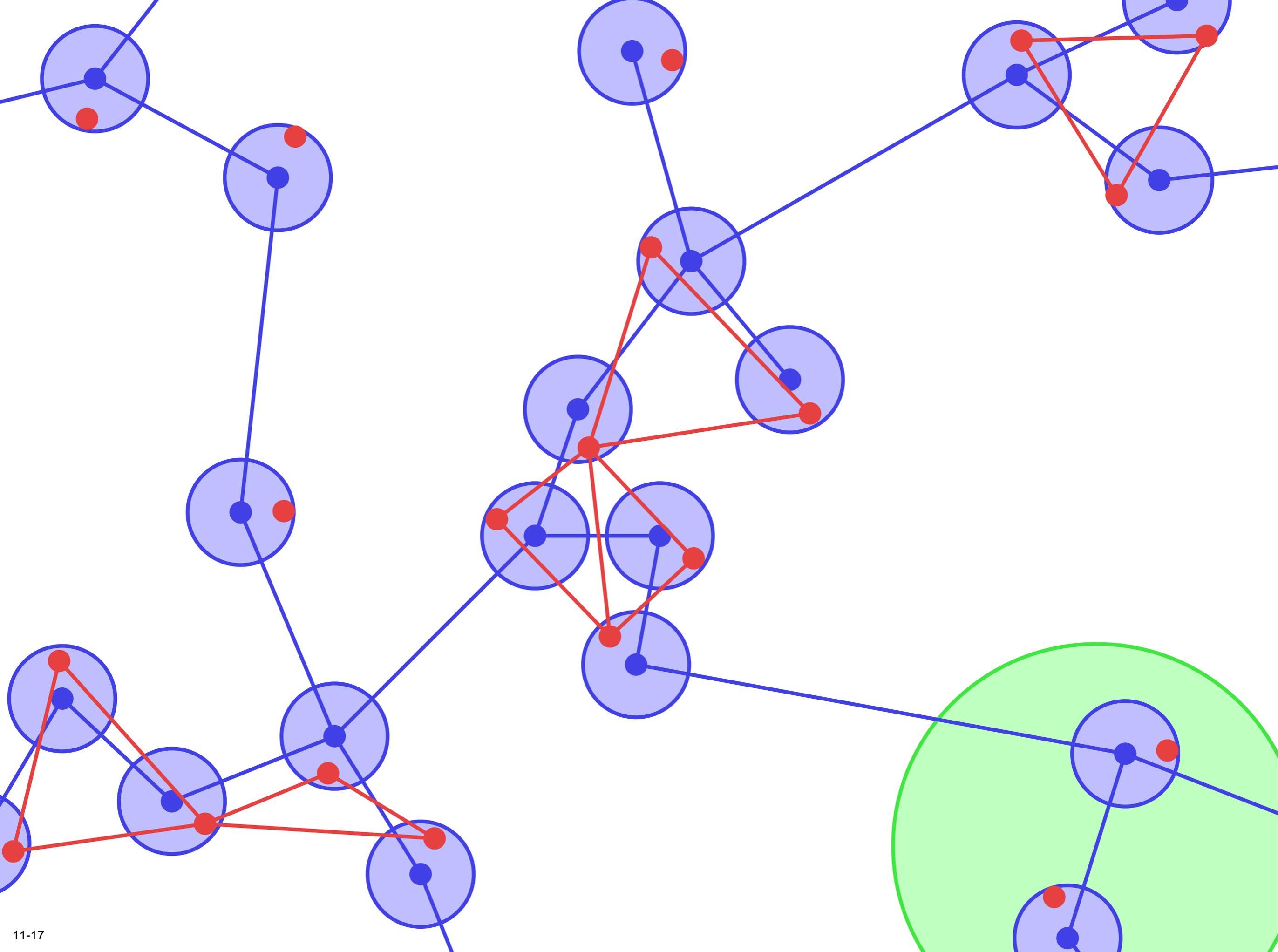


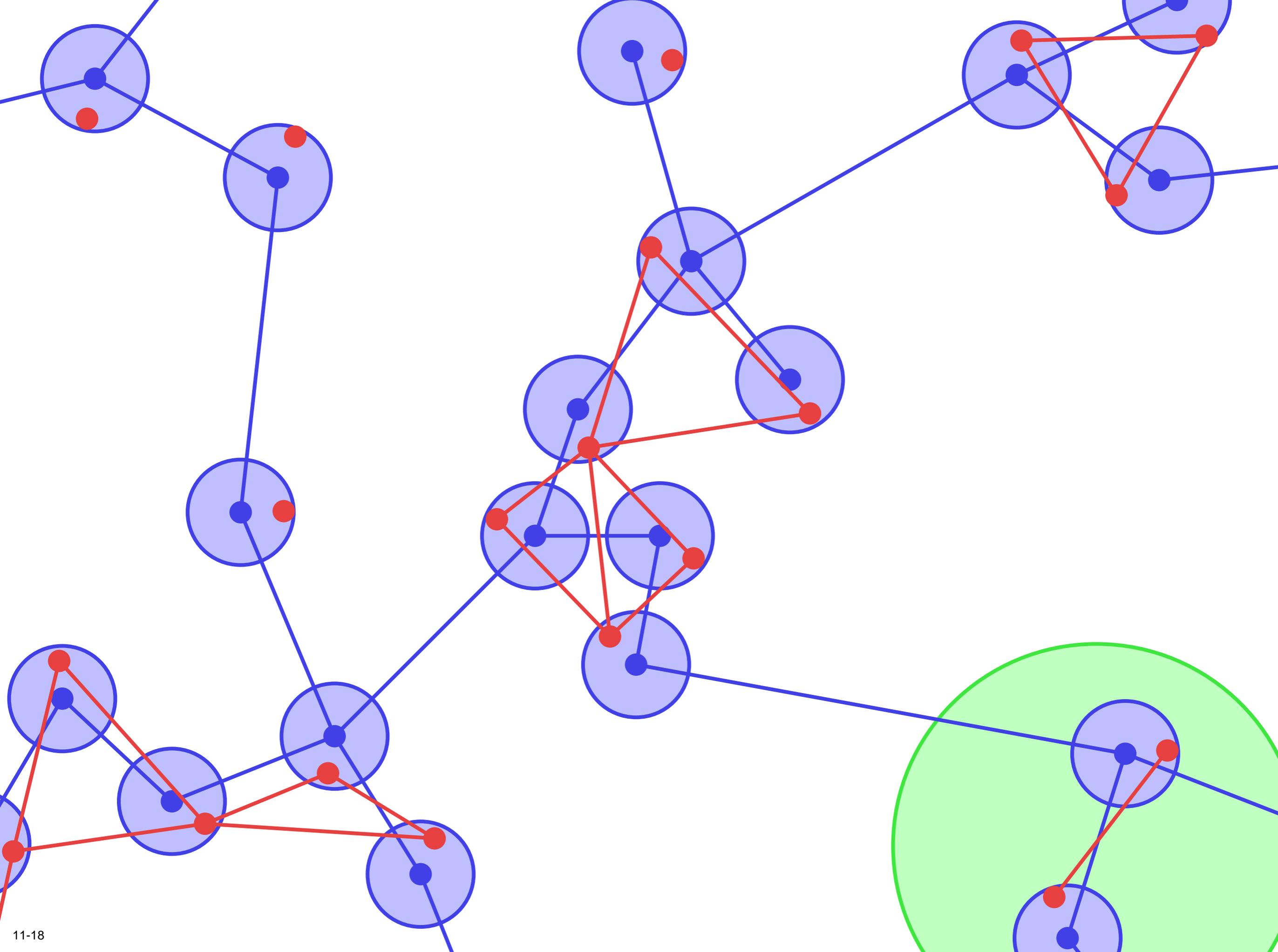


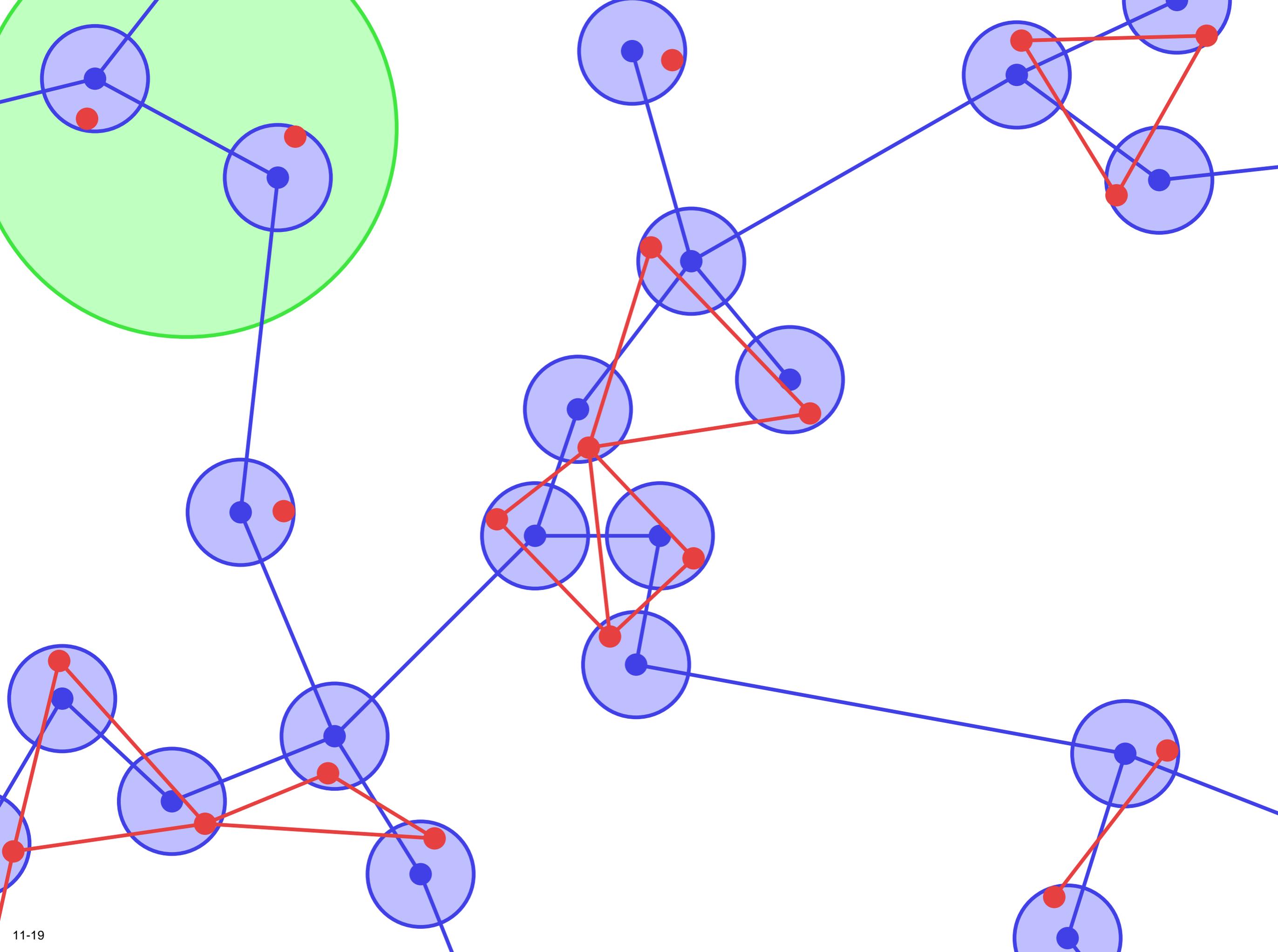


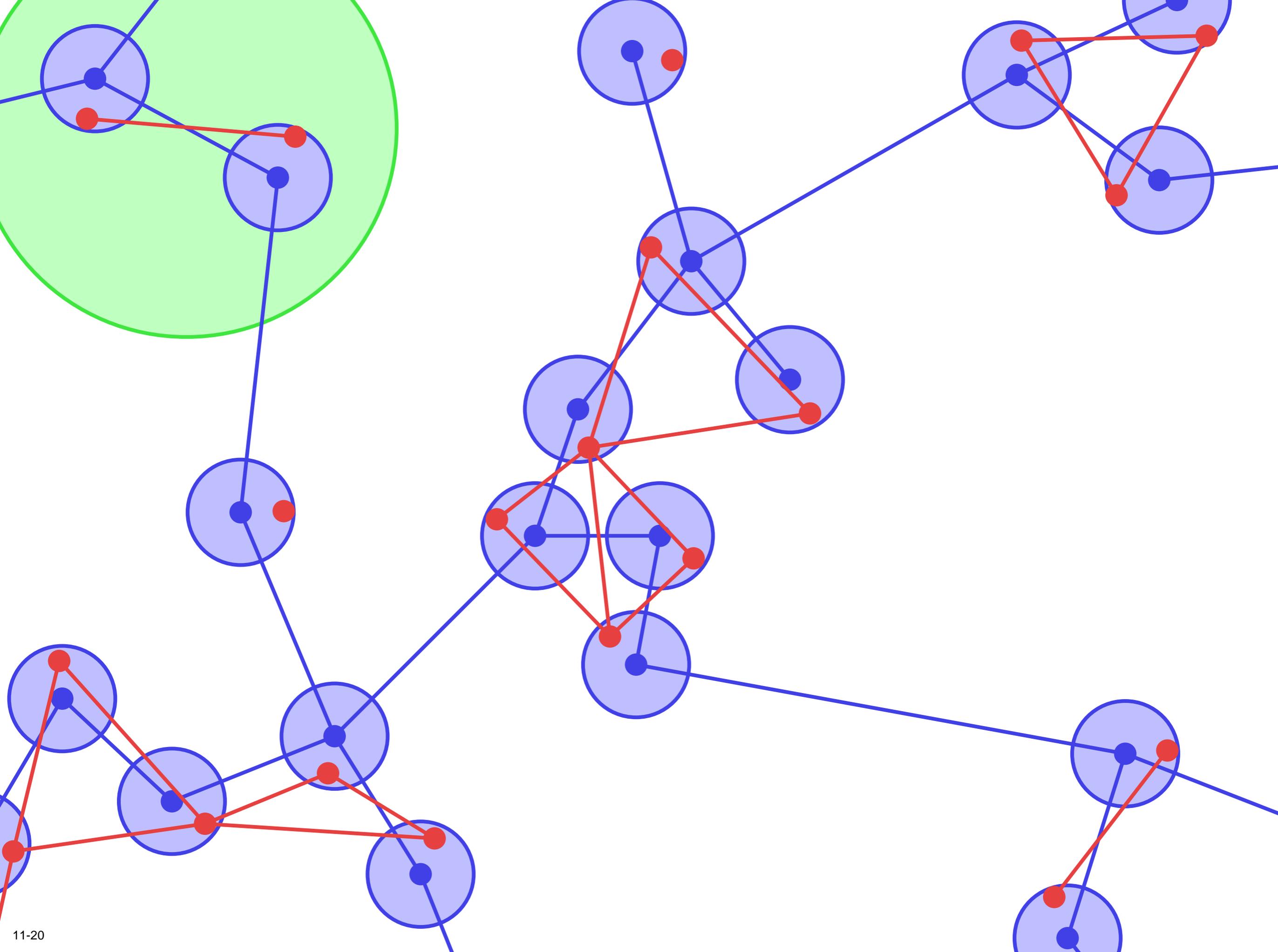


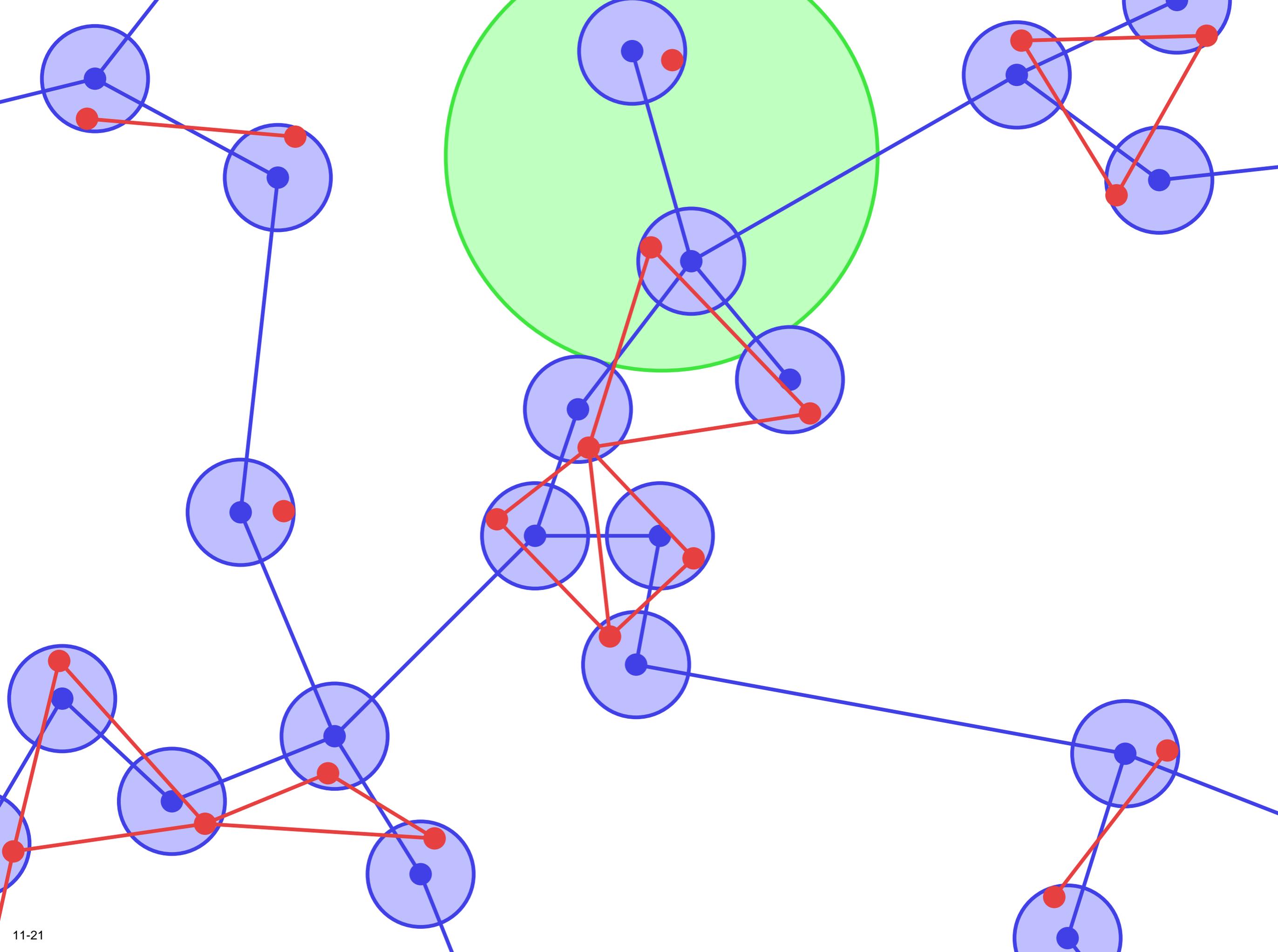


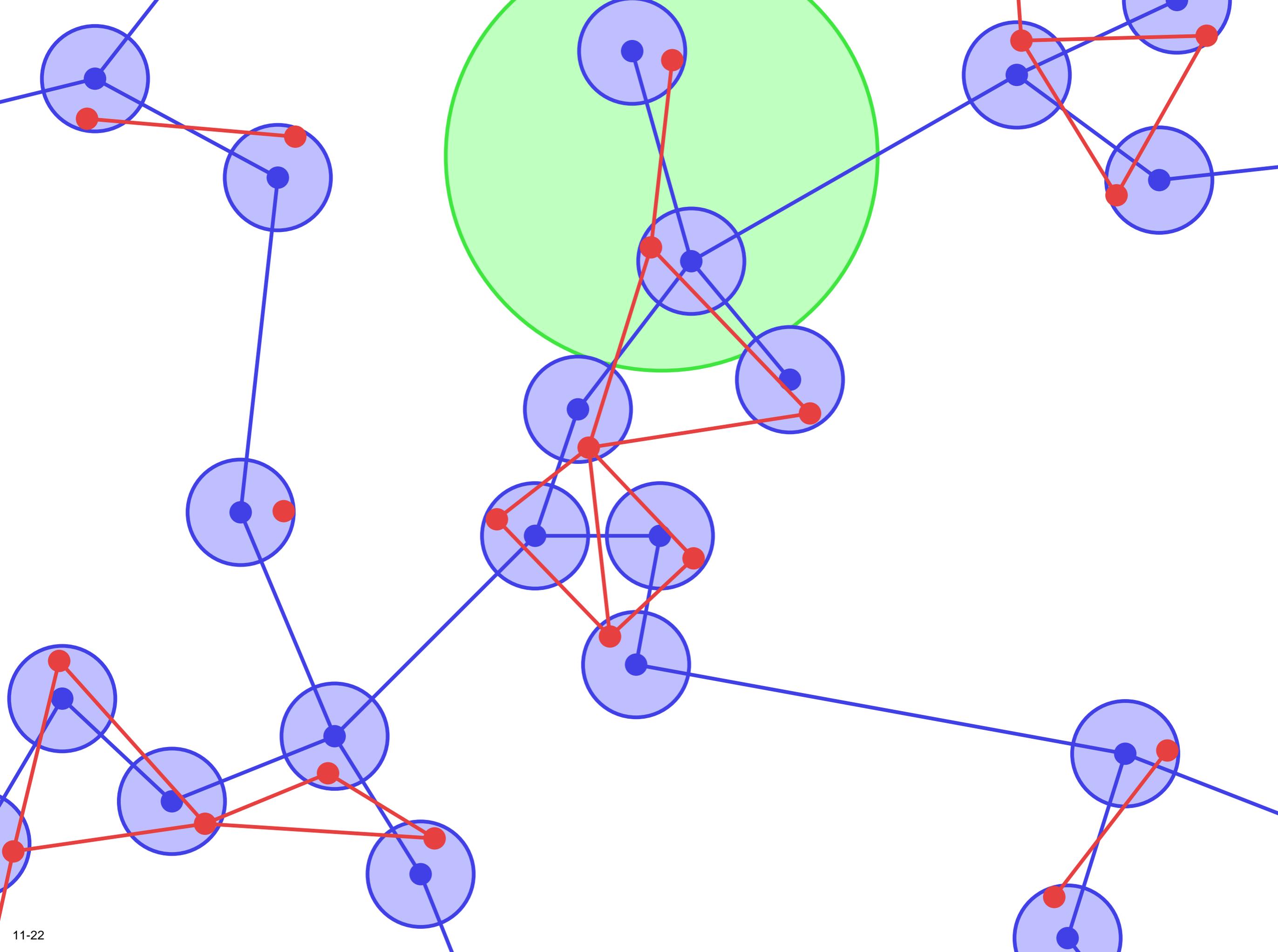


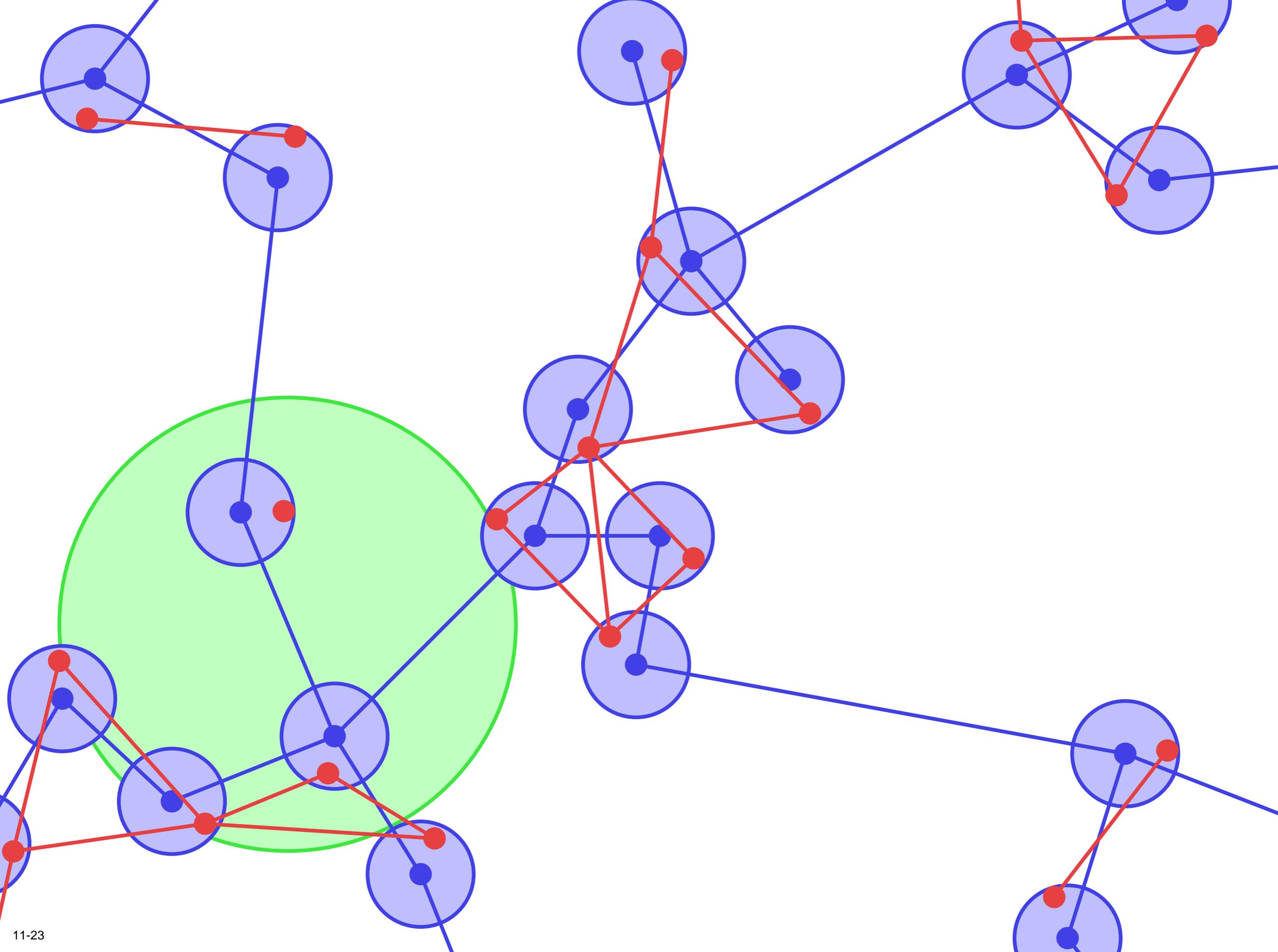


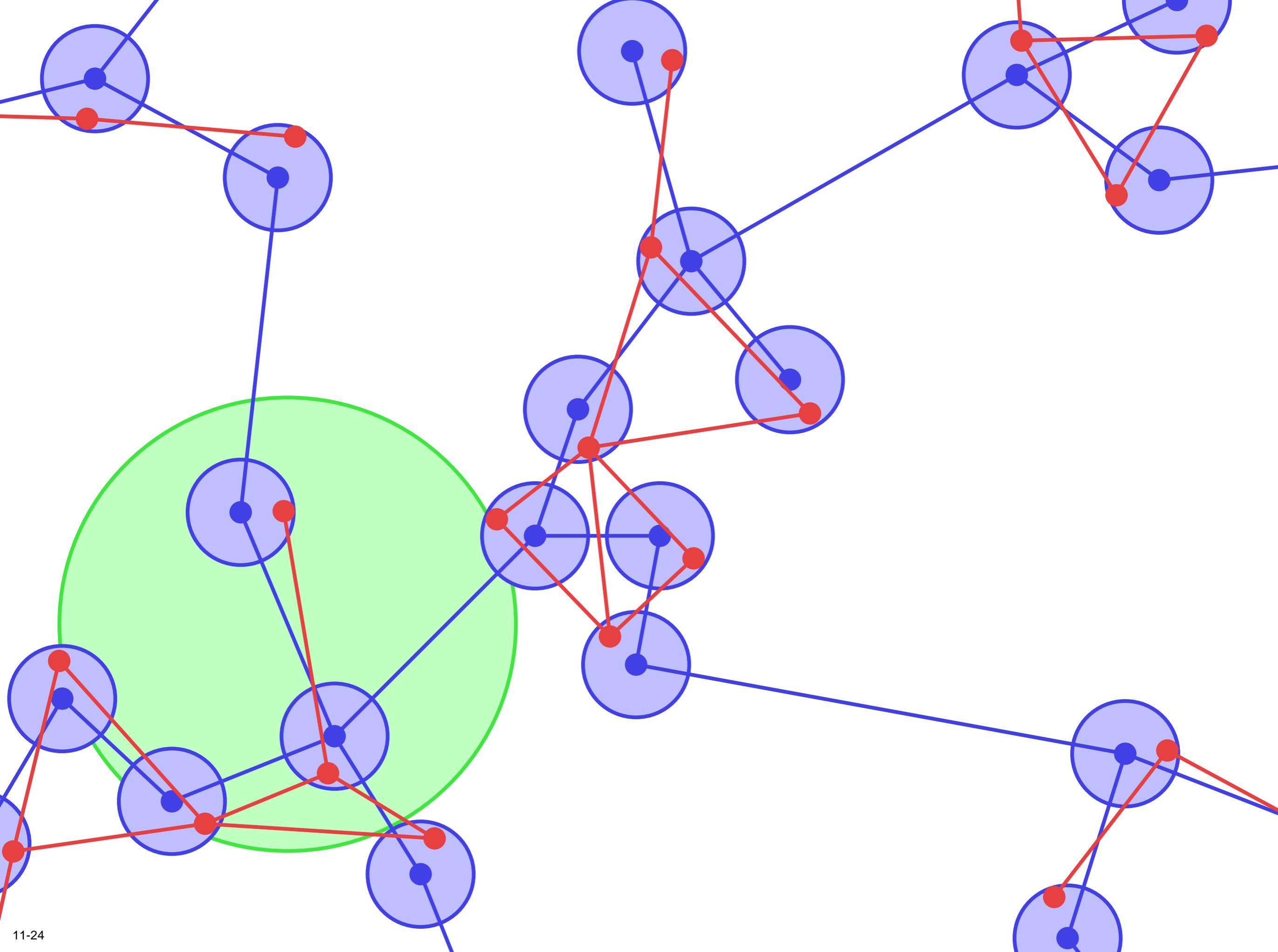


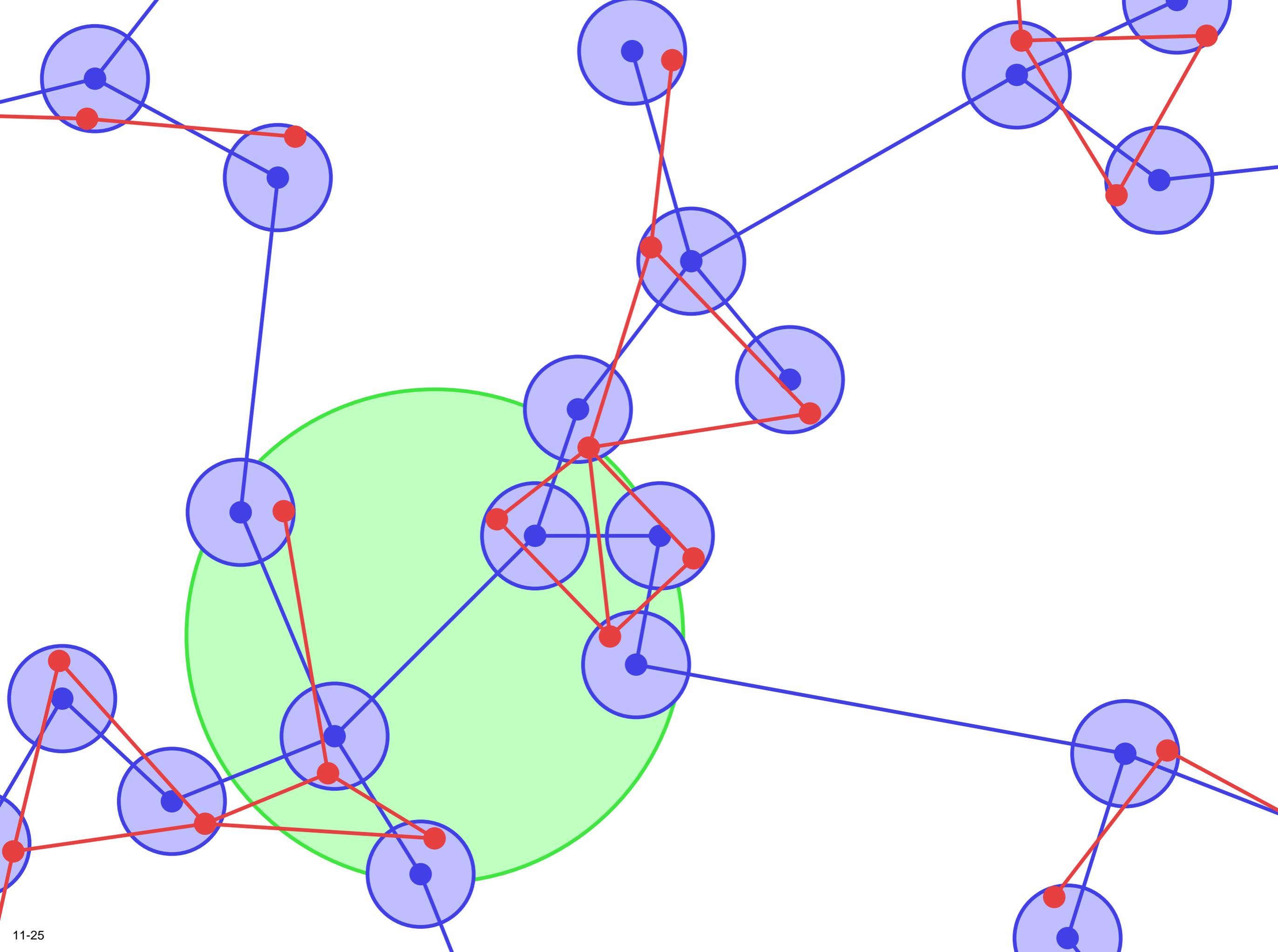


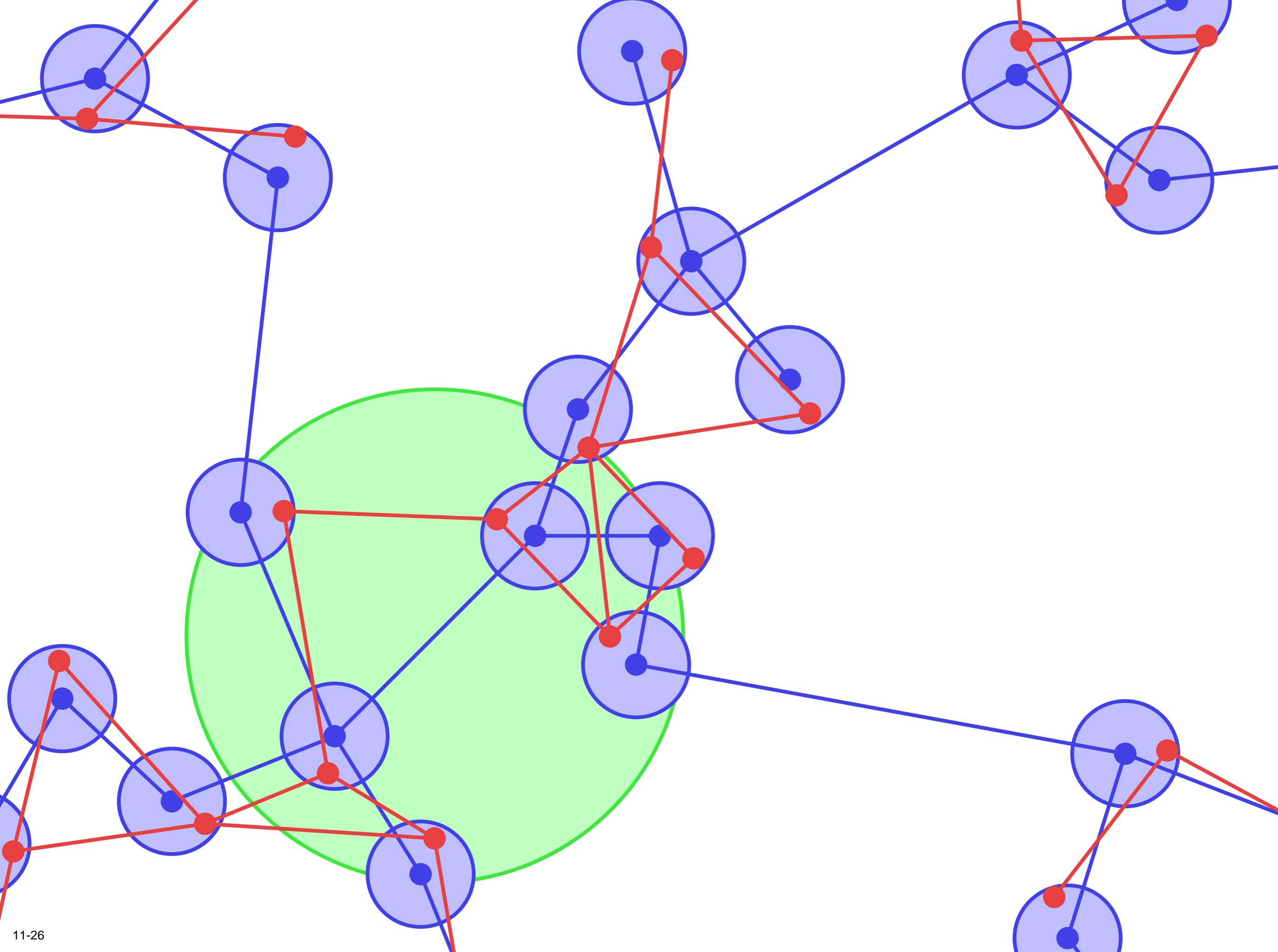


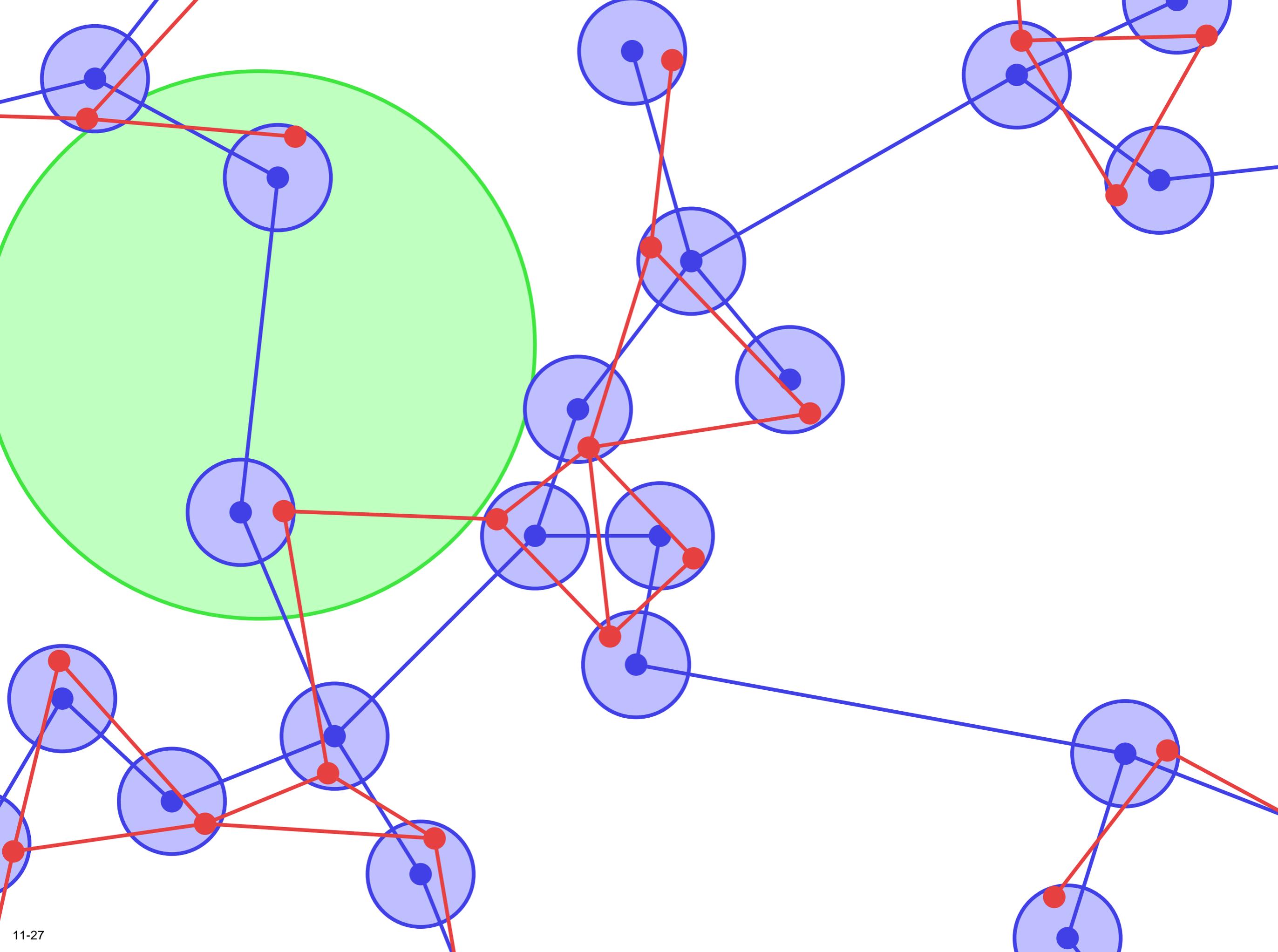


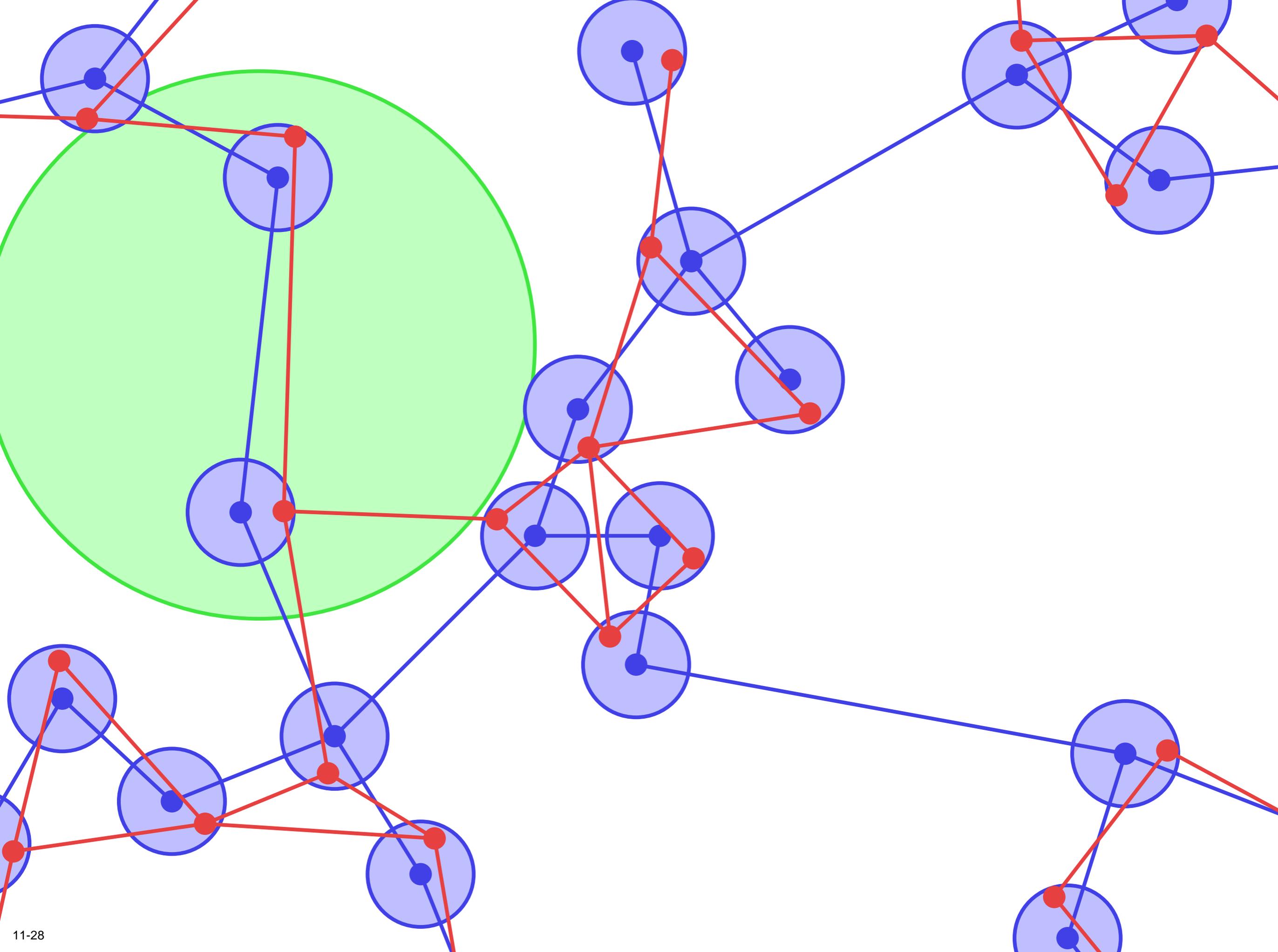


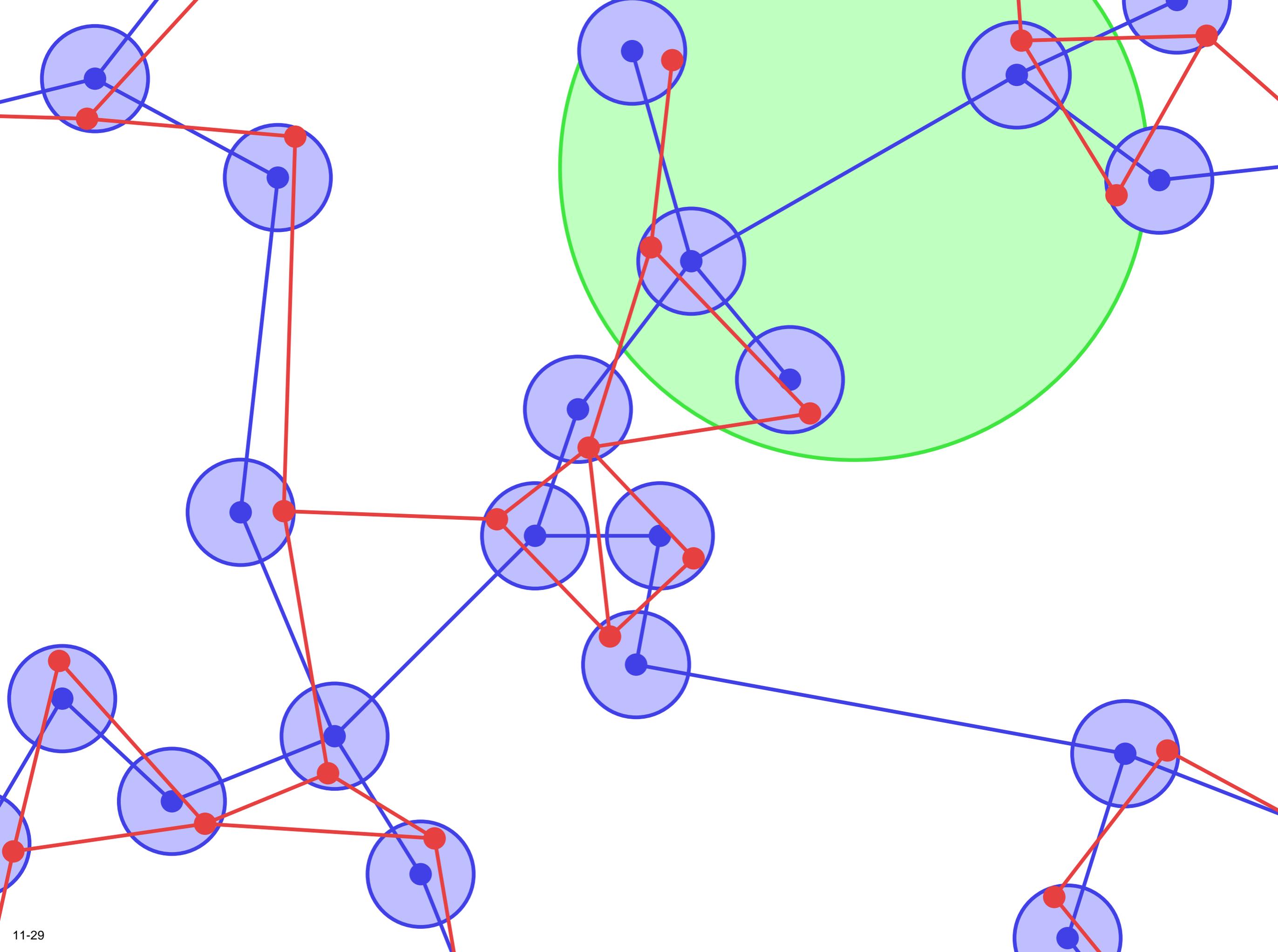


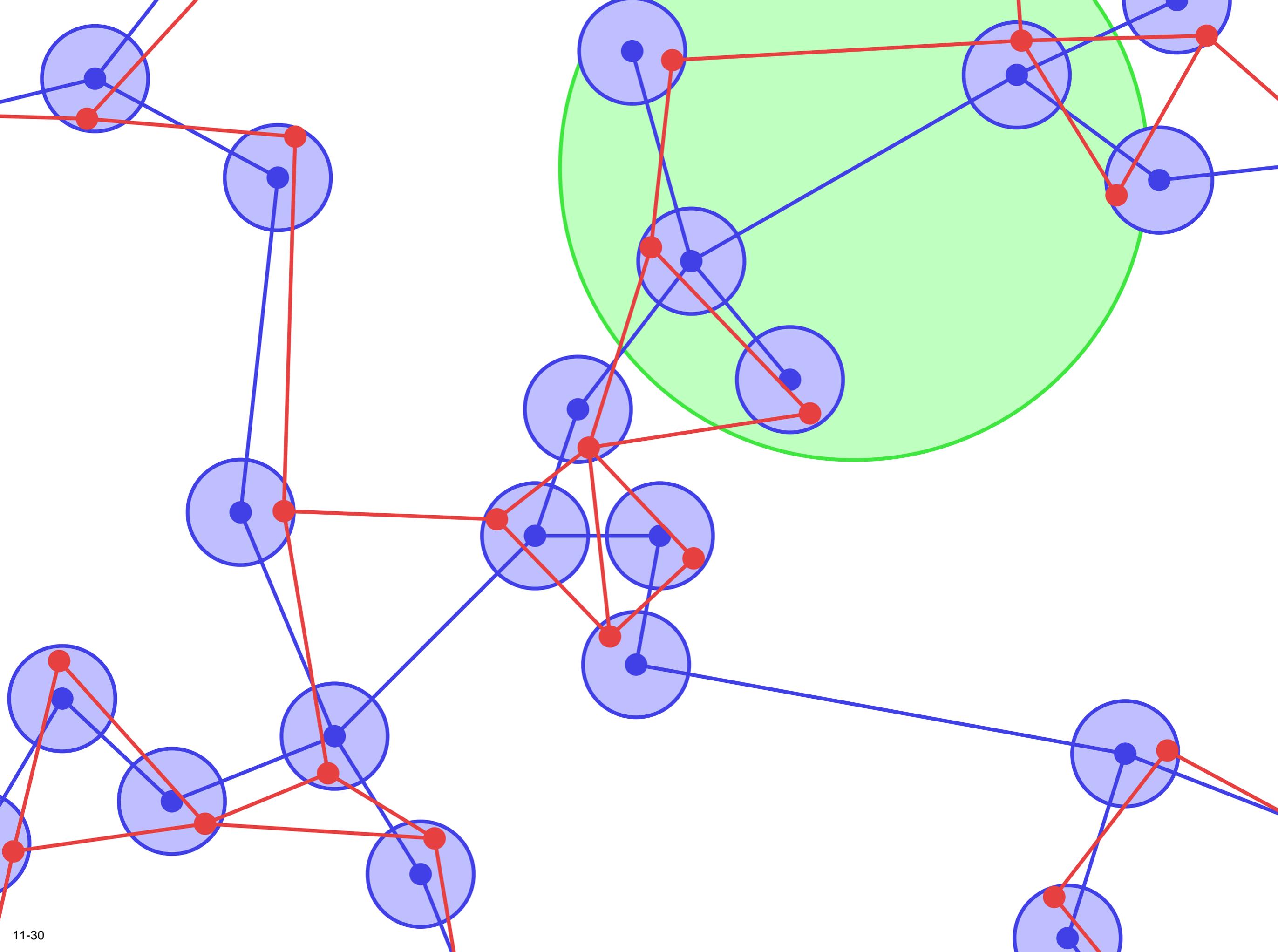


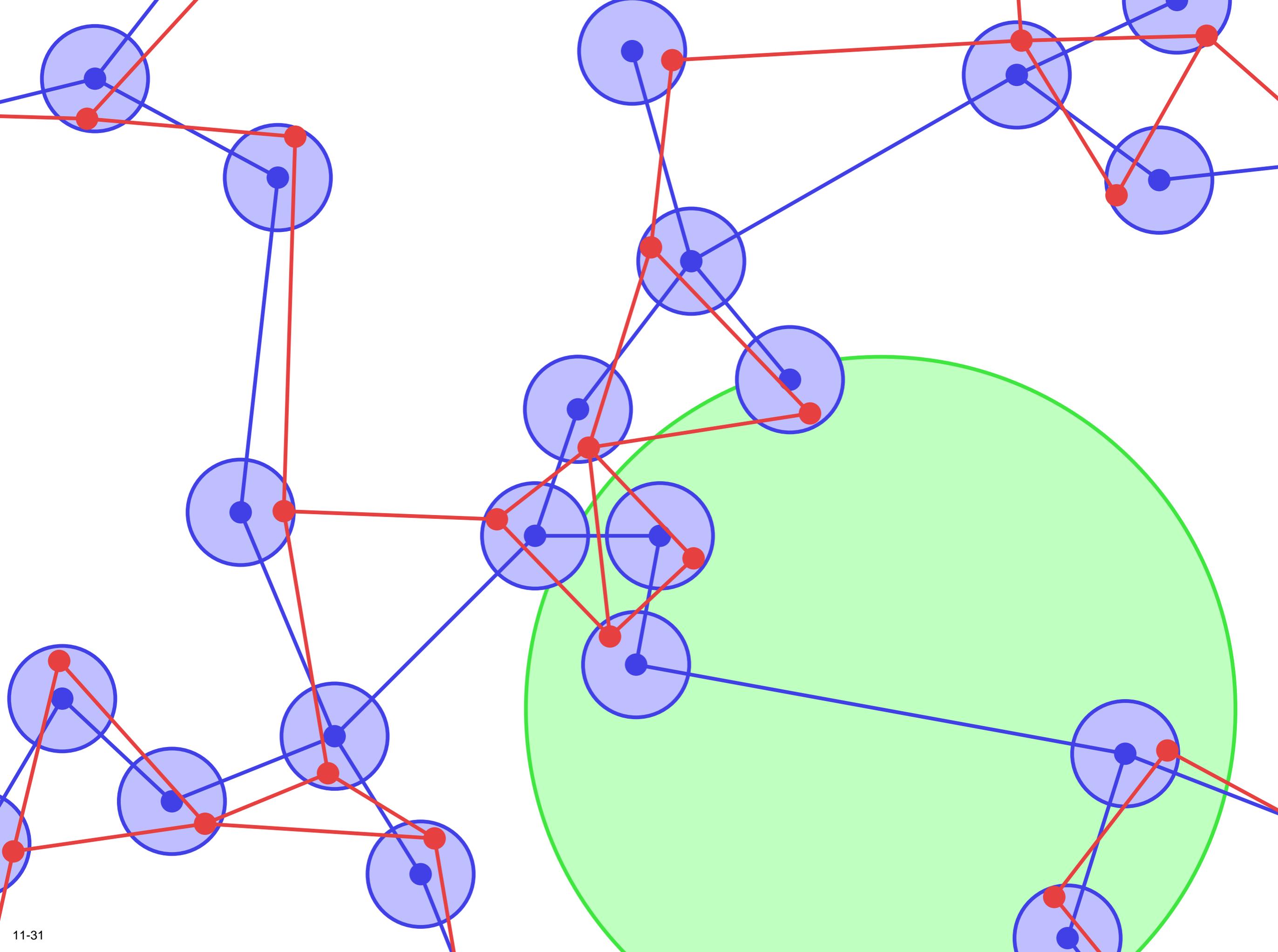


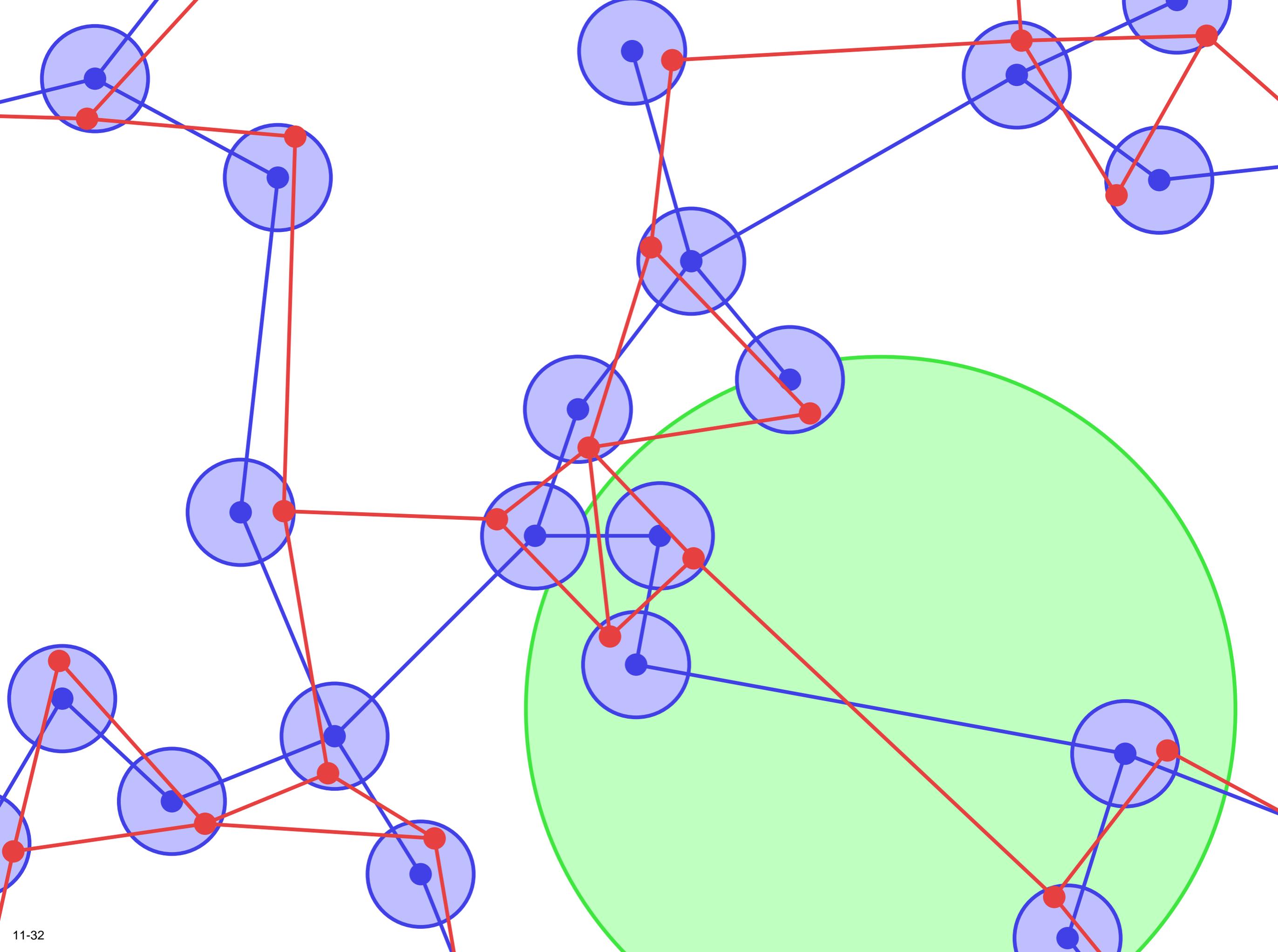


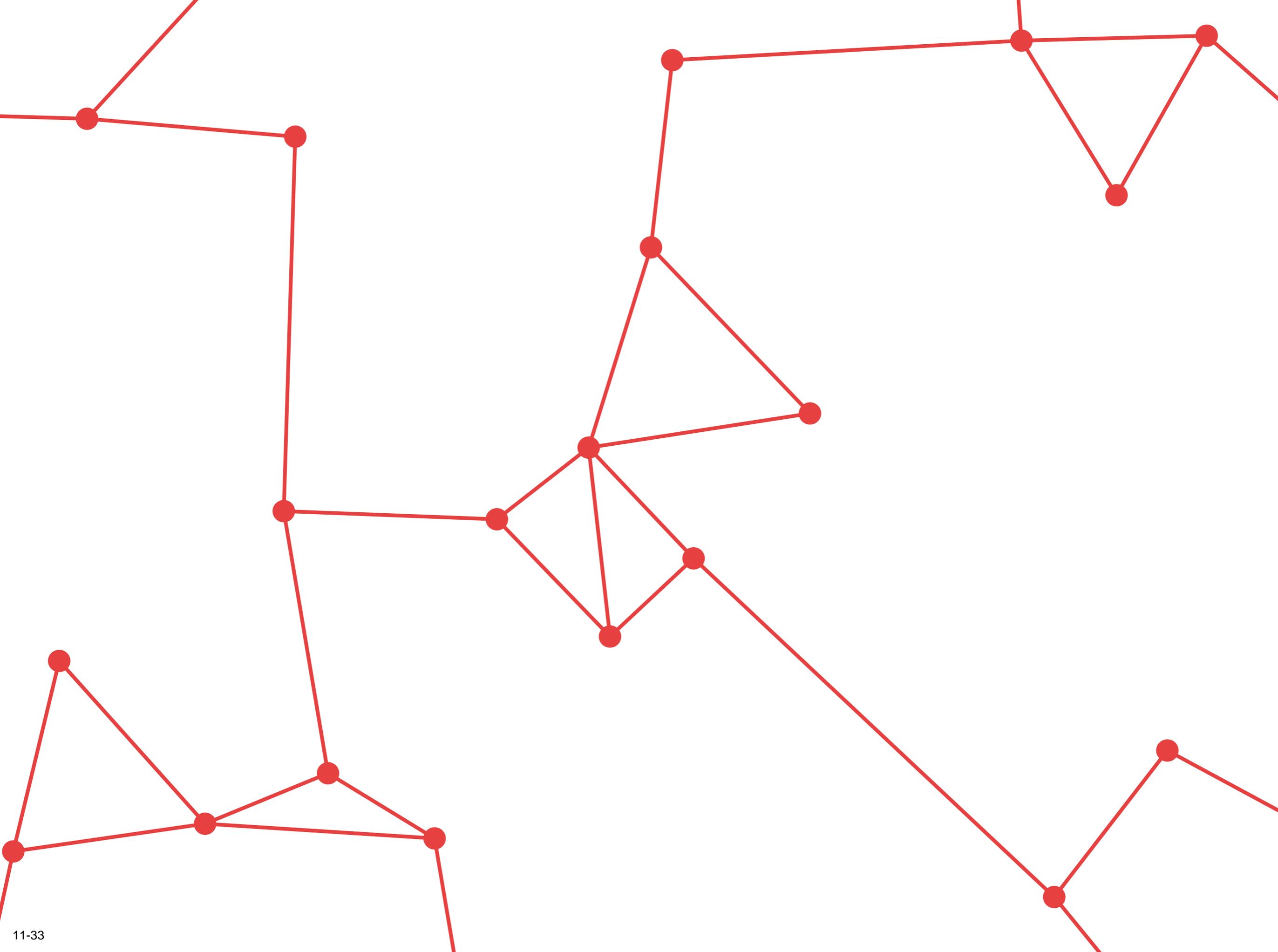


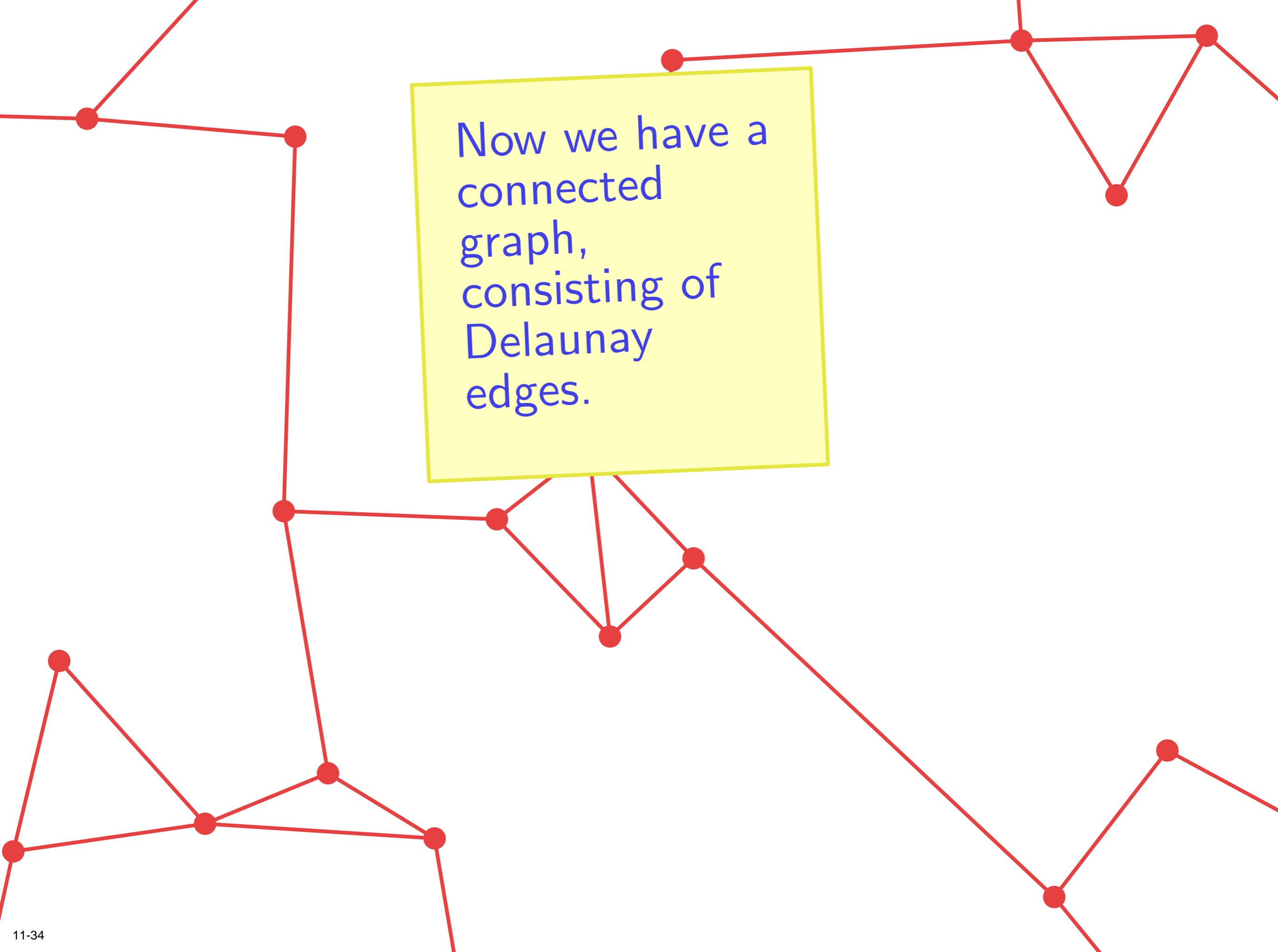




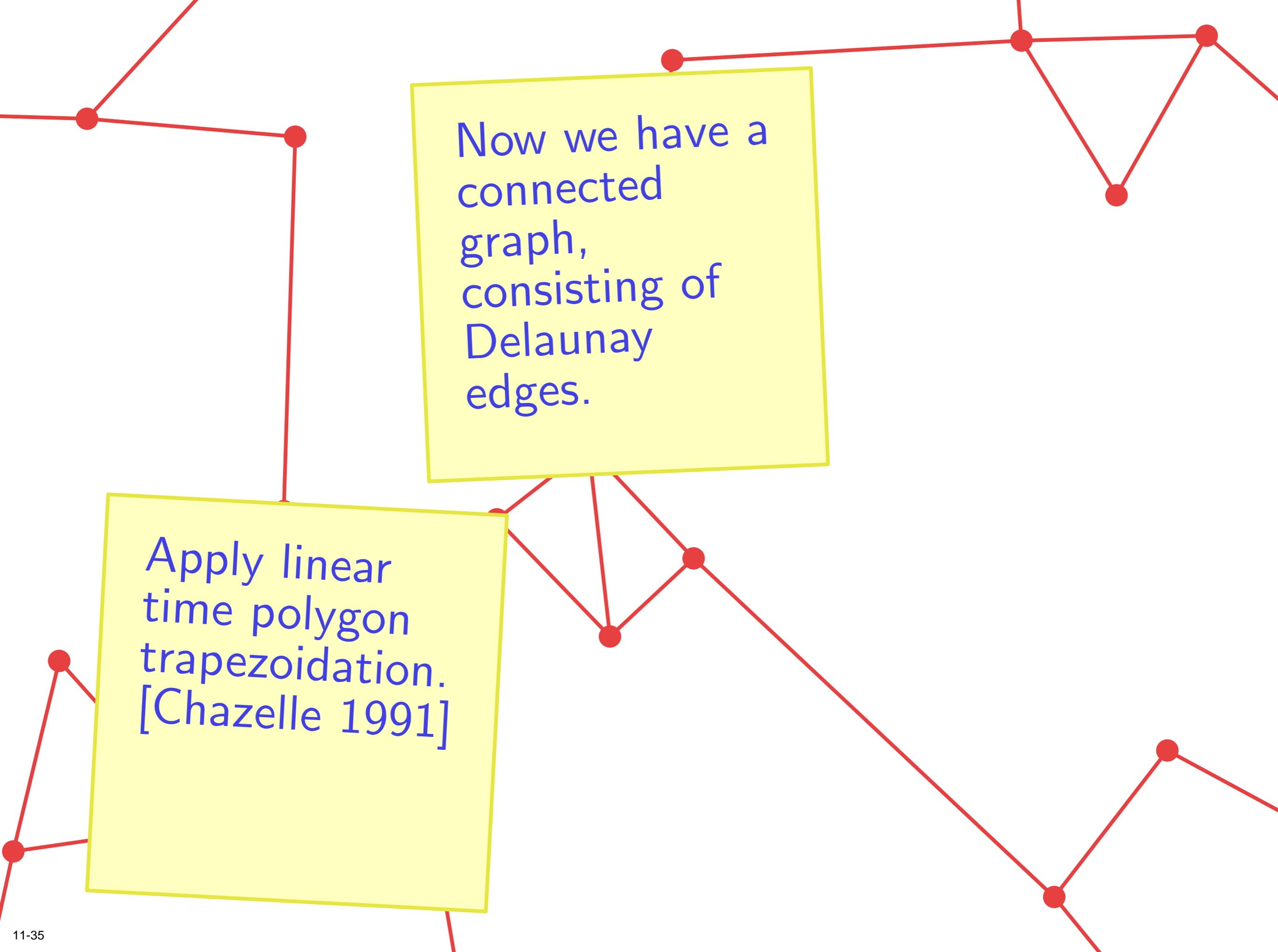








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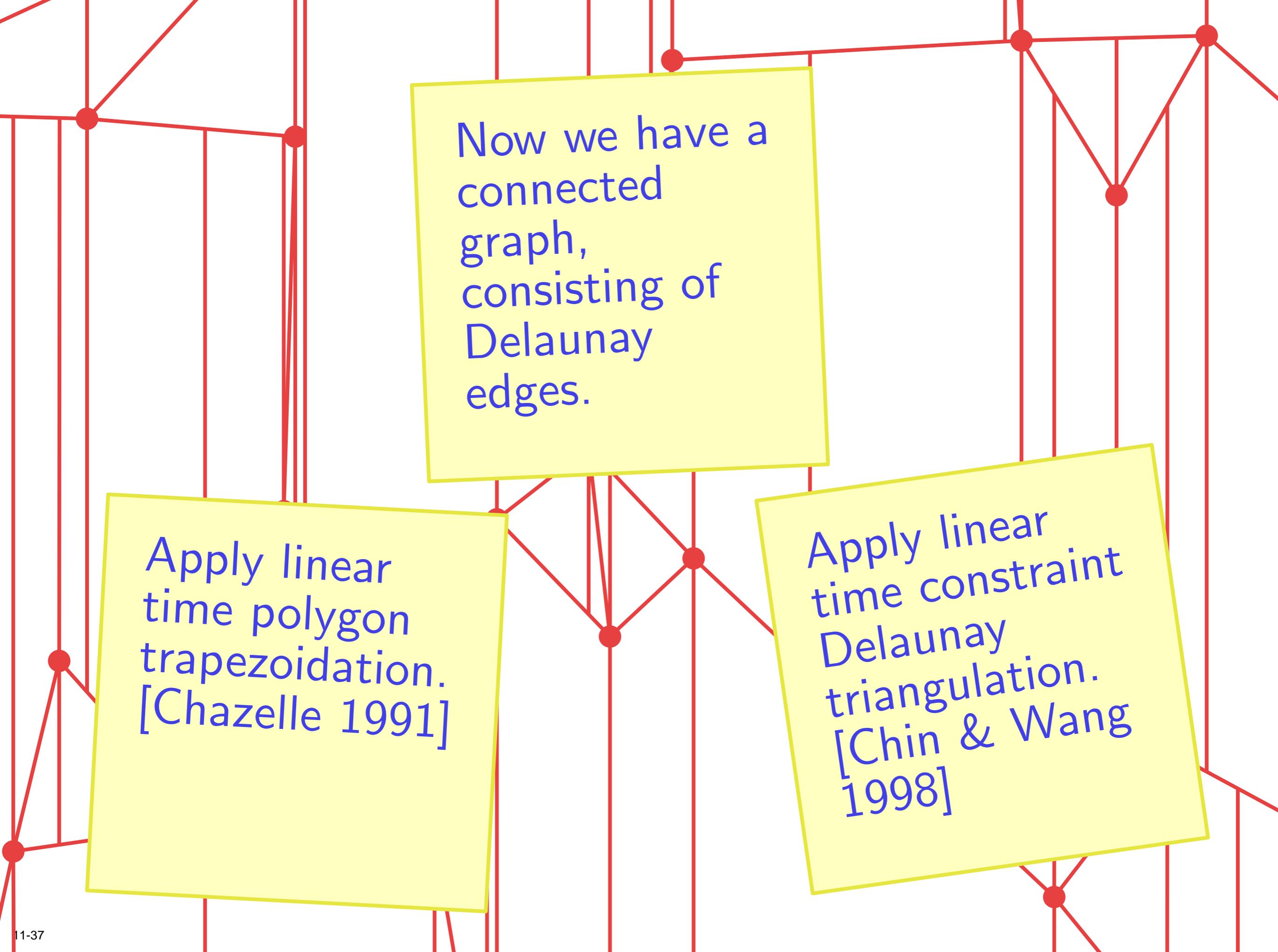


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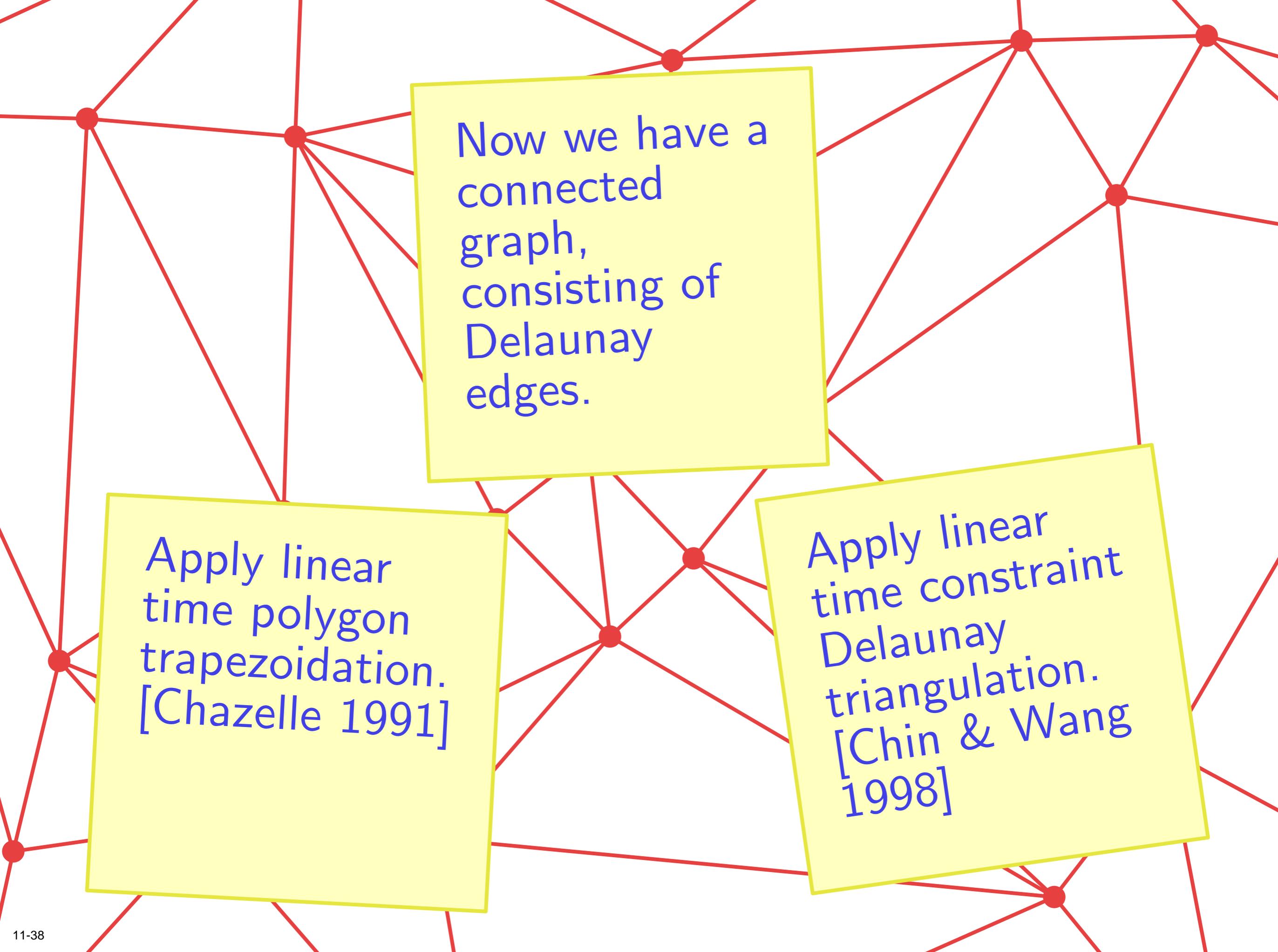
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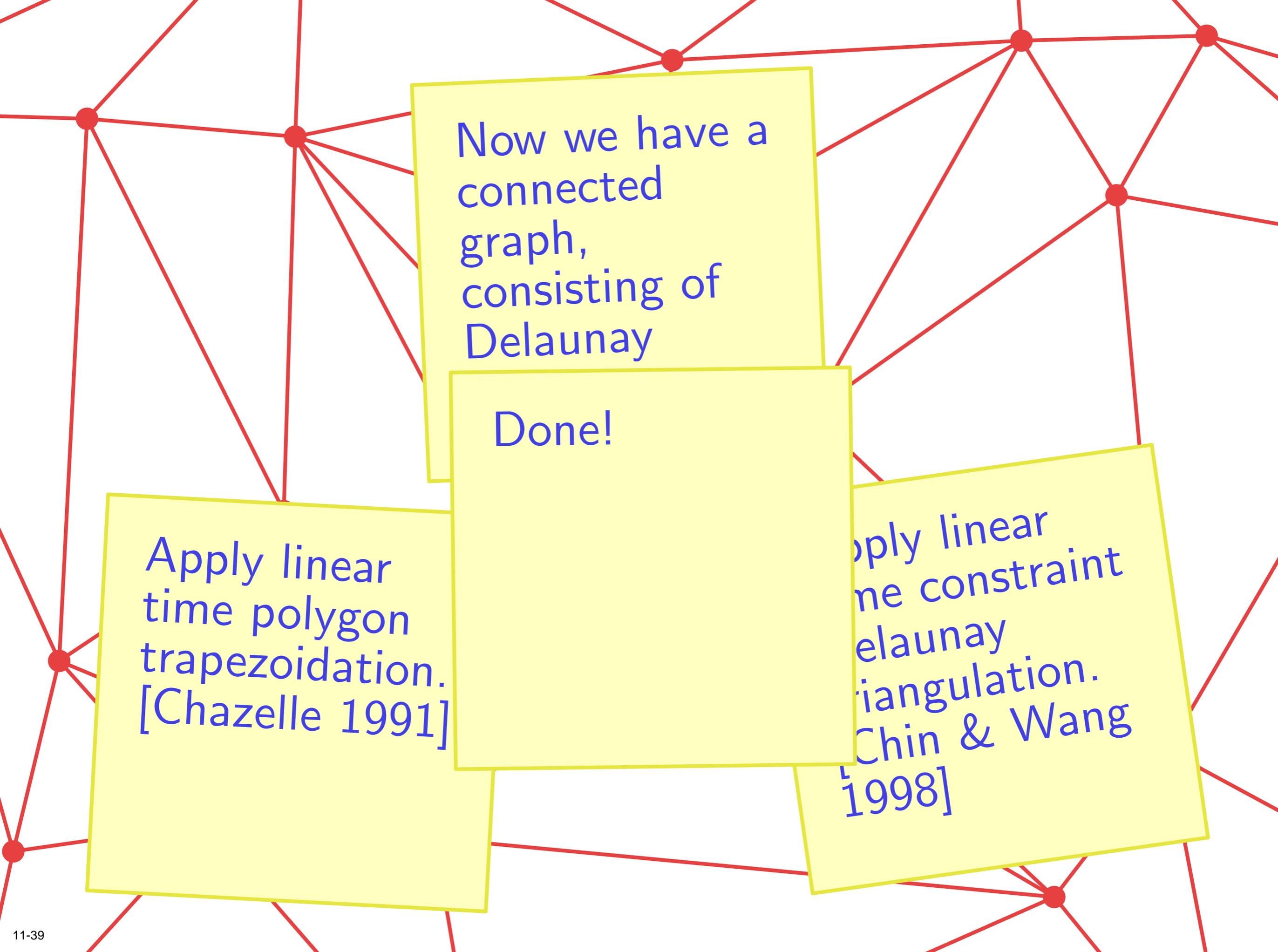
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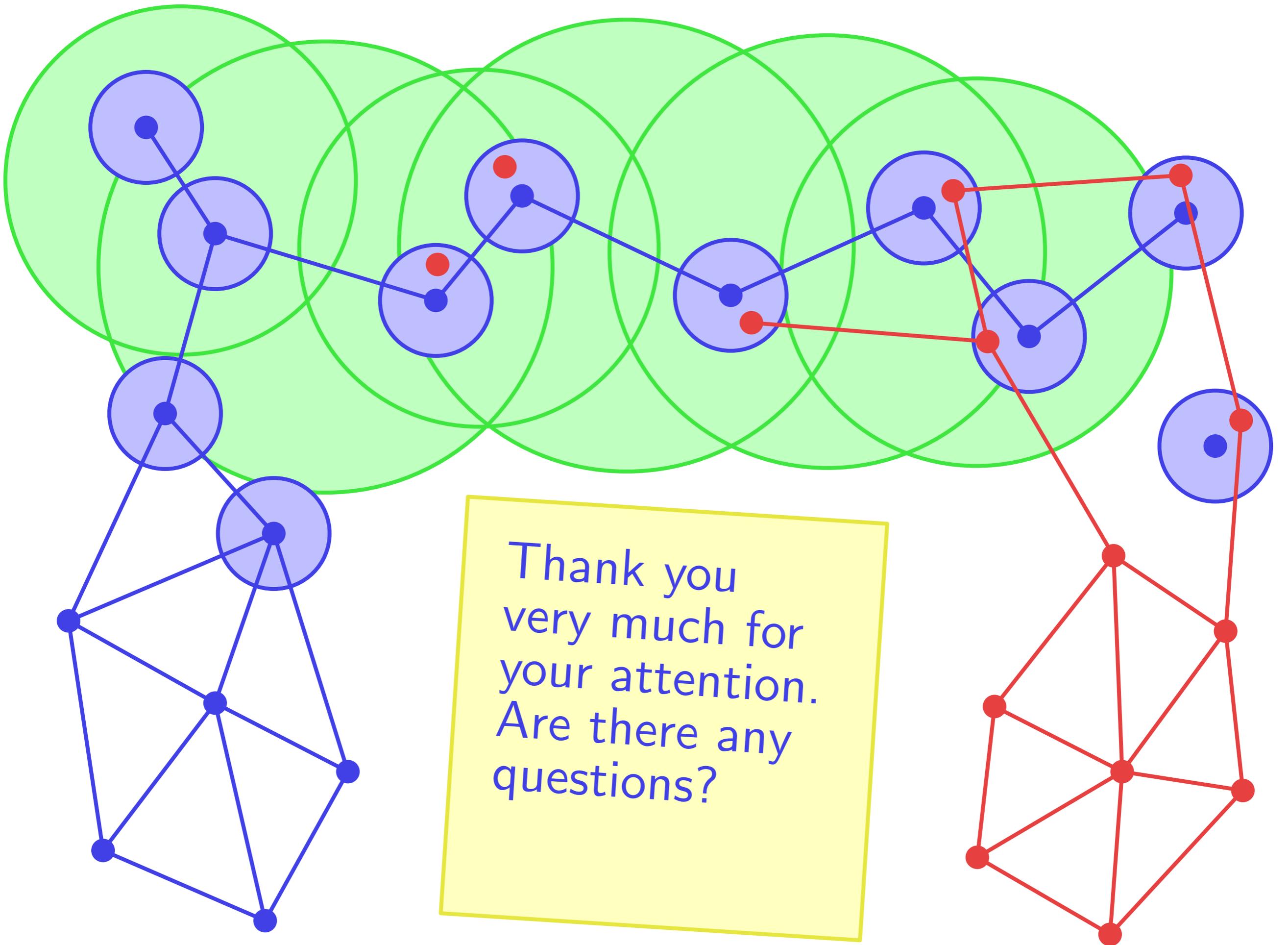
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Thank you very much for your attention. Are there any questions?