
MGS

a DSL for modeling and simulating (DS)²

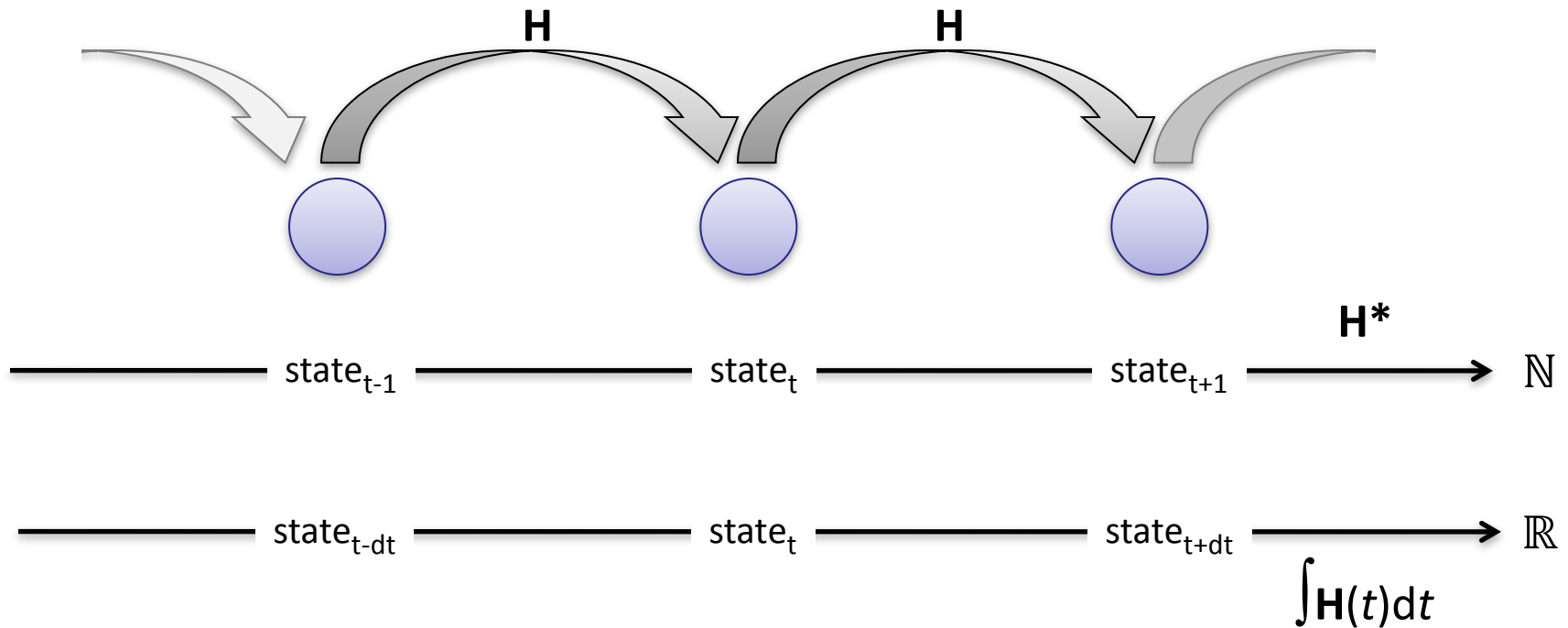
Introduction

[Martin Potier & Antoine Spicher](#)

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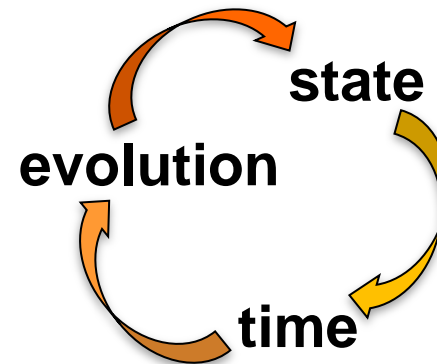
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Simulation of dynamical system...



Specification of

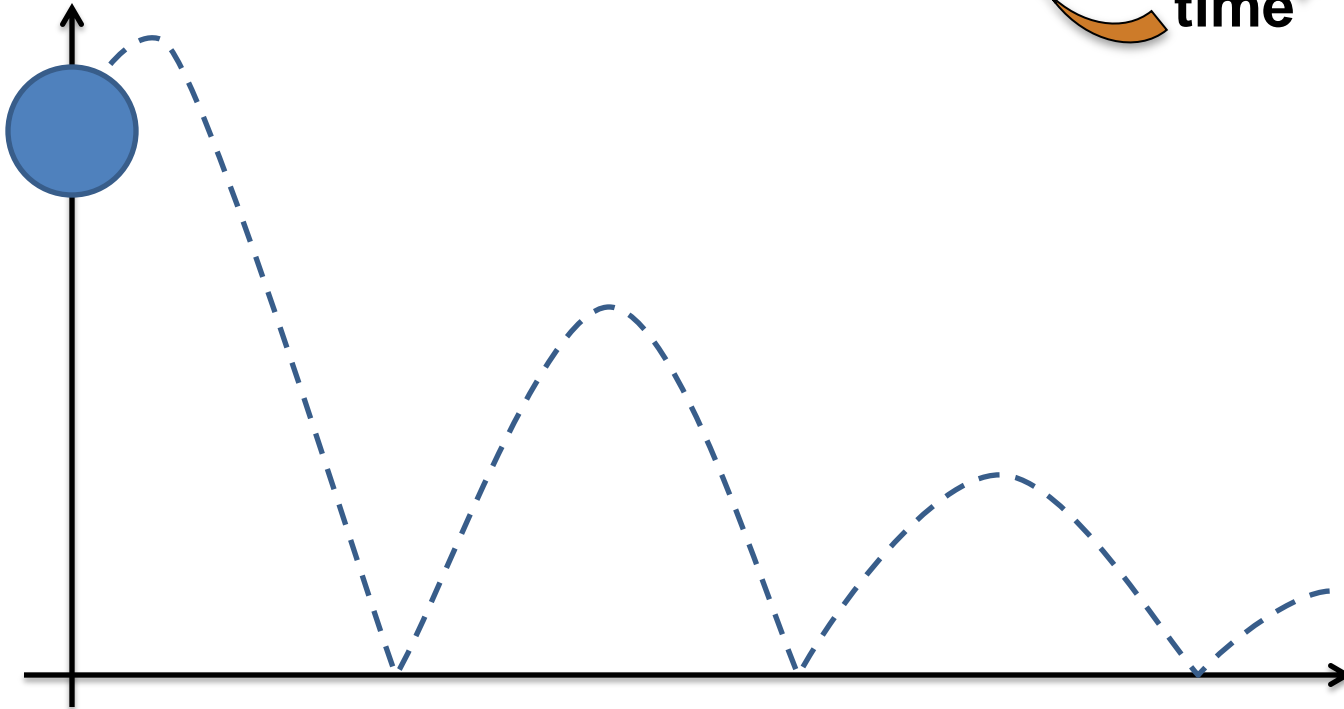
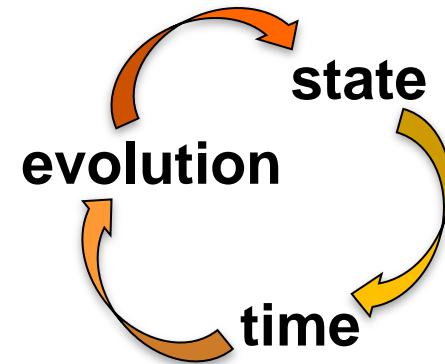
- the state structure
- the model of time
- the evolution function



Simulation of dynamical system...

■ Example: bouncing ball

- State: *position* \mathbf{p} & *speed* \vec{v}
- Time: *continuous*
- Evolution function: *gravity & collision*



Simulation of dynamical system...

■ What about complex systems?

□ Falling ball

At **any** time, the state is defined by *exactly two* vectors (position & speed)

...with a dynamical structure

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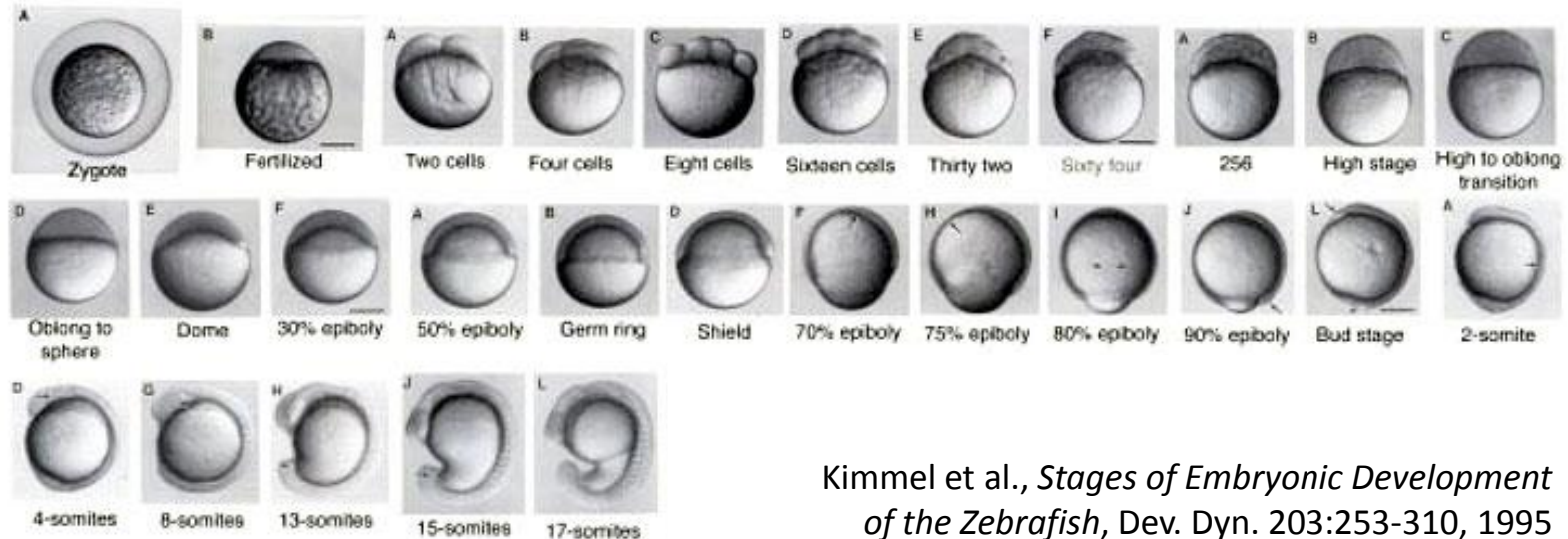
At **any** time, the state is defined by *exactly two* vectors (position & speed)

□ Developing embryo

At a **given** time, the state is defined

□ A variable number of cells (geometry, concentration, ...)

□ A variable organization (division, migration, apoptosis, ...)



Kimmel et al., *Stages of Embryonic Development of the Zebrafish*, Dev. Dyn. 203:253-310, 1995

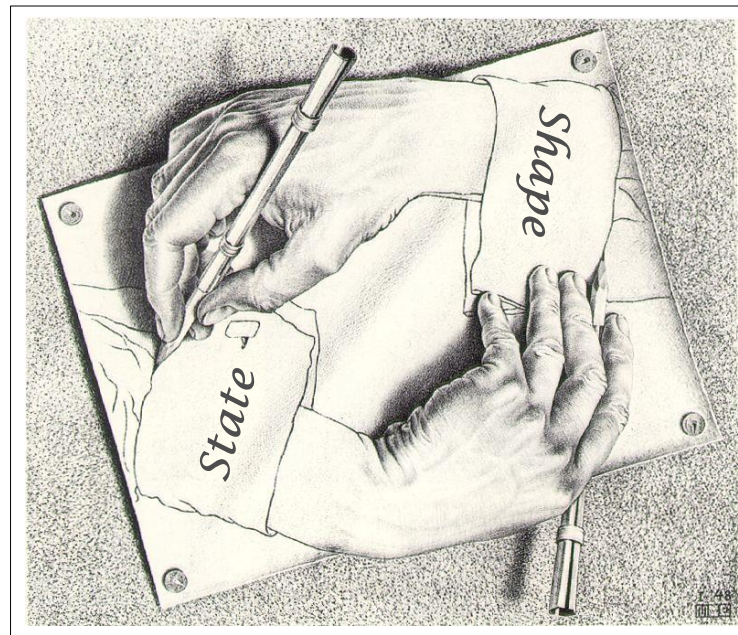
...with a dynamical structure

■ *Dynamical Systems with a Dynamical Structure*

The structure of the system evolves jointly with the system

- *The structure constraints the system evolution which modifies the structure*
- State space cannot be defined *a priori*

Dynamics
ON the shape



Dynamics
OF the shape

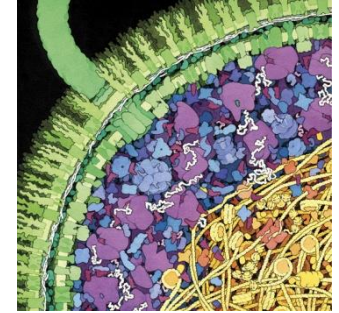
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■ Examples of (DS)²

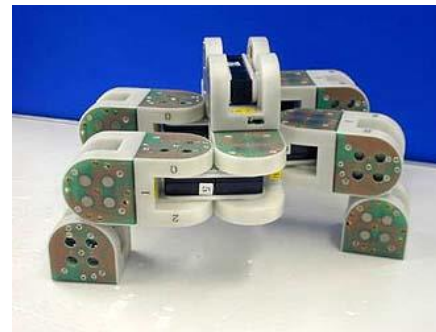
- In biology
 - Molecular bio., developmental bio.
- In physics
 - Soft matter mechanics, multi-scale systems
 - General relativity
- In SHS
 - Urbanism, traffic control
 - Economics
- In computer science
 - Internet, social network
 - Reconfigurable robots



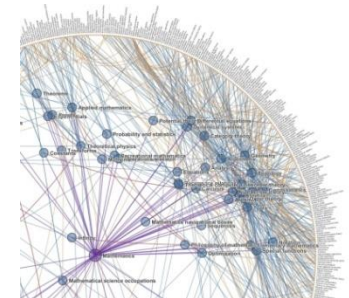
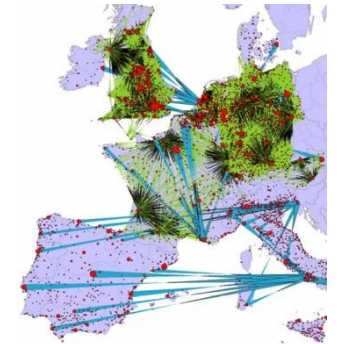
P. Prusinkiewicz



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M. Satoshi



Outline



- Introduction to MGS
 - Interaction-based modeling
 - Presentation of MGS

- Demonstrations
 - Lindemayer Systems
 - Chemical-like Systems
 - Cellular Automata
 - Multi-agent Systems

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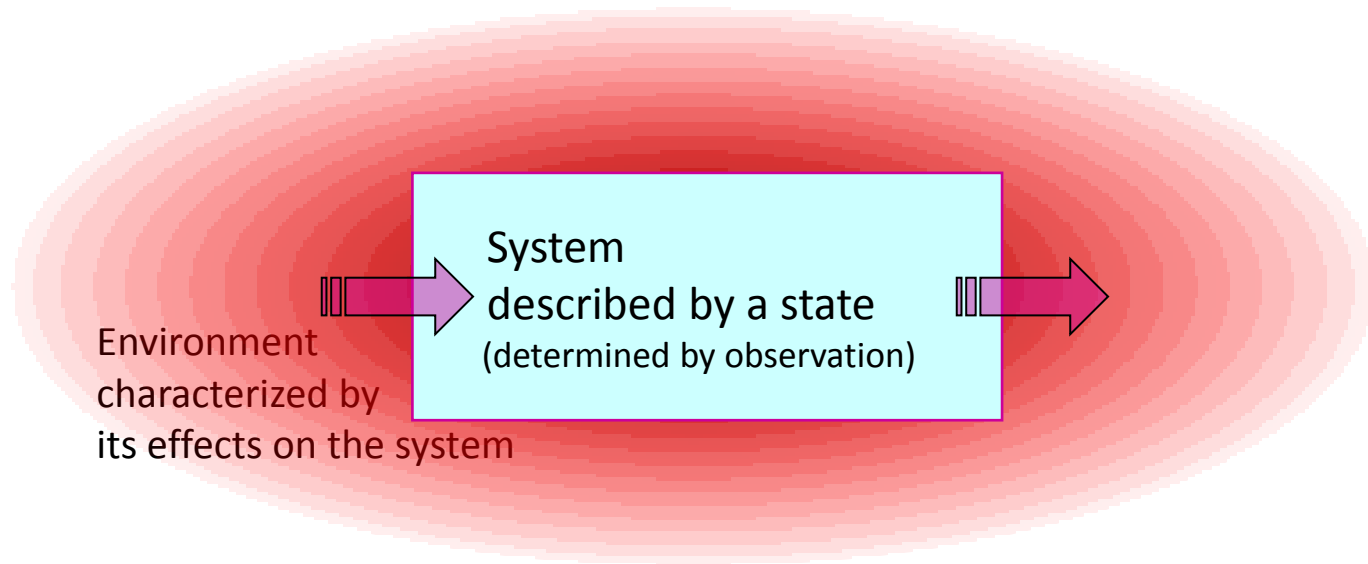
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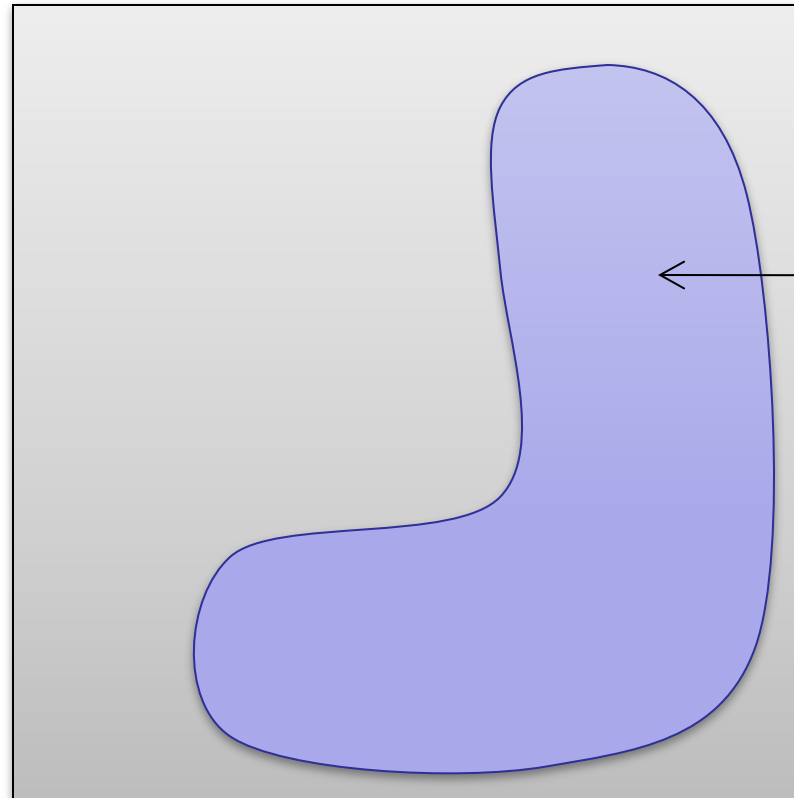
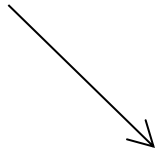
■ Let's observe the system

- State of the system given by observation
- Structure is dynamic \Rightarrow structure is an *observable*



Topology of Interactions

A system in some state

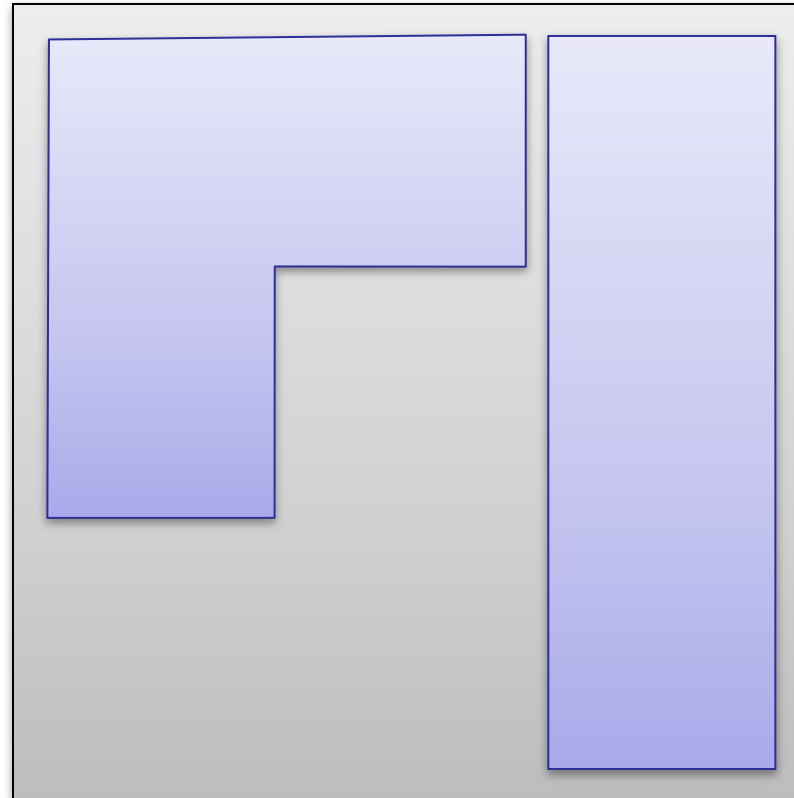


*Part of a system
that evolves.*

*Can be identified
by comparison
with the previous
global state*

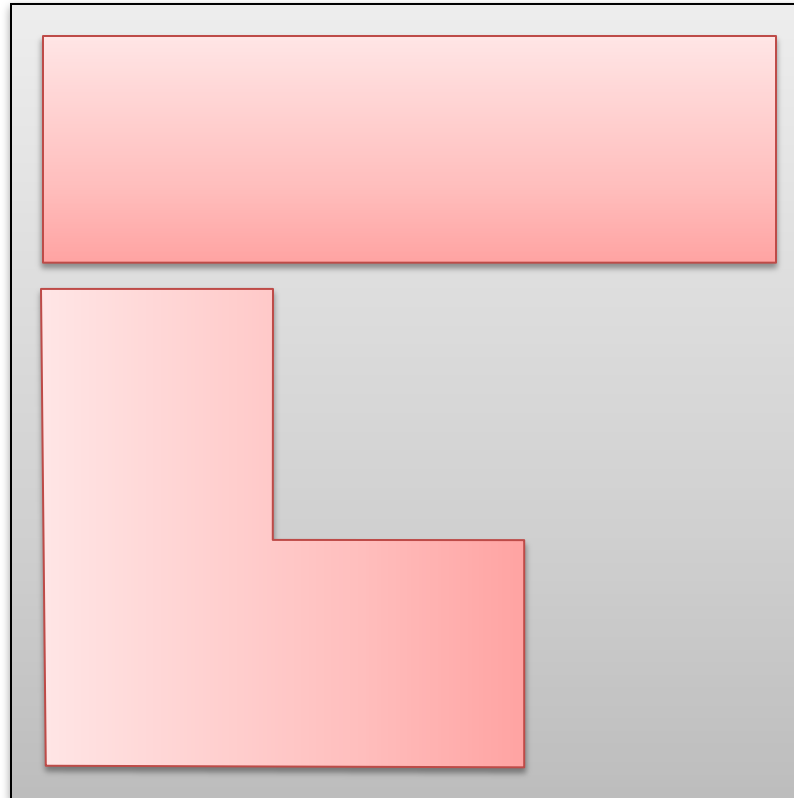
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$t = 1$



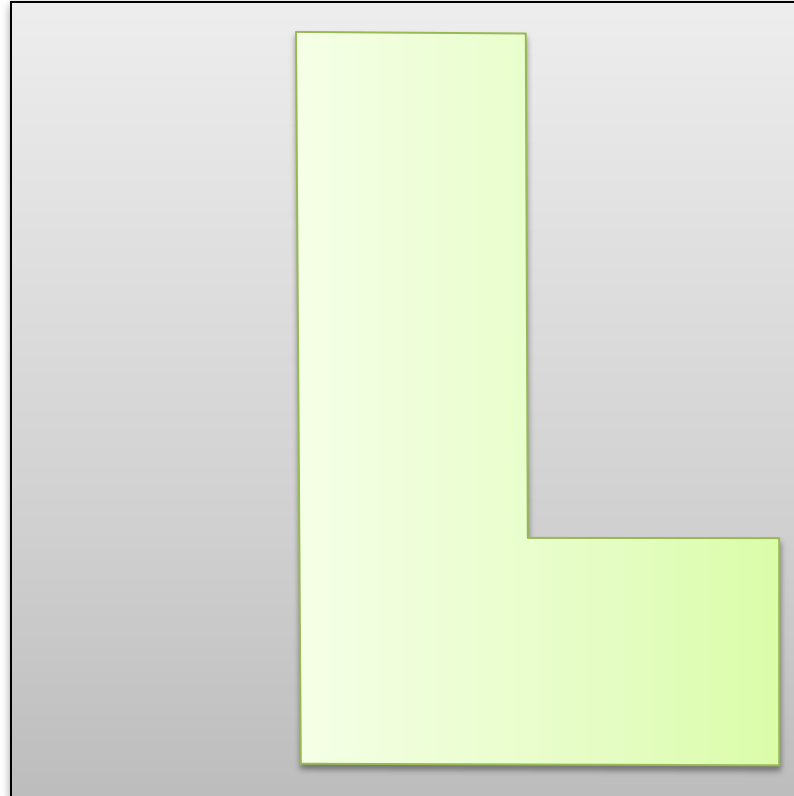
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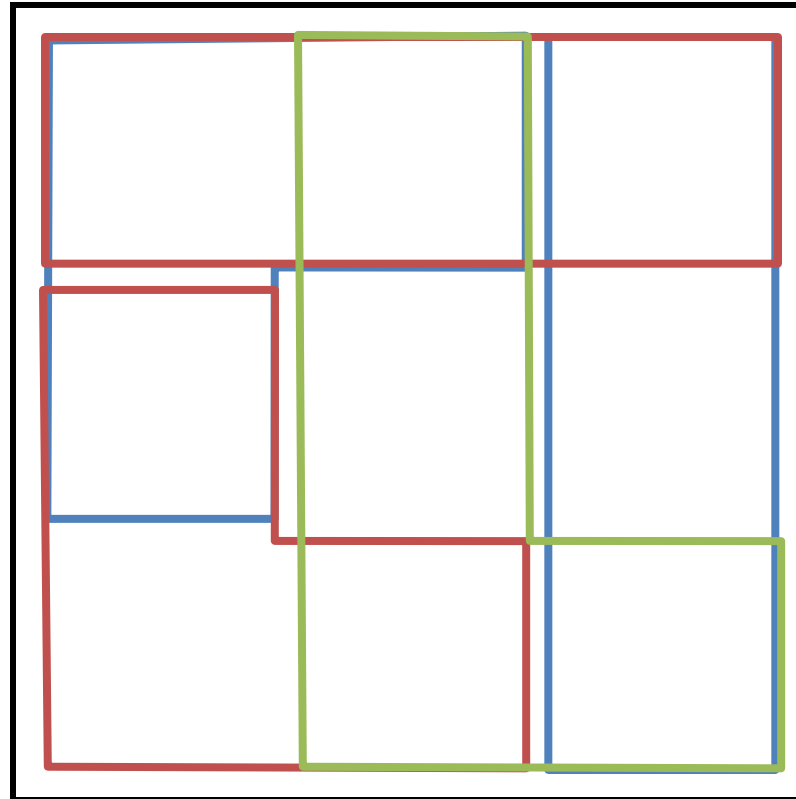
Topology of Interactions

$t = 3$



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- Decompose a system in parts following the interactions

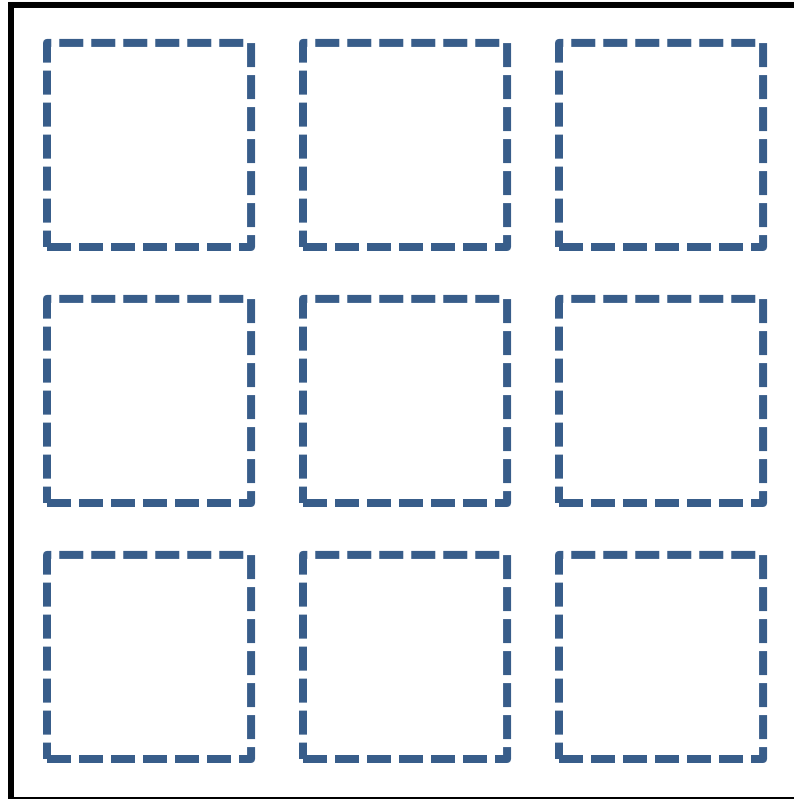


Topology of Interactions

- Decompose a system in parts following the interactions

The interactions decomposes the systems into elementary parts

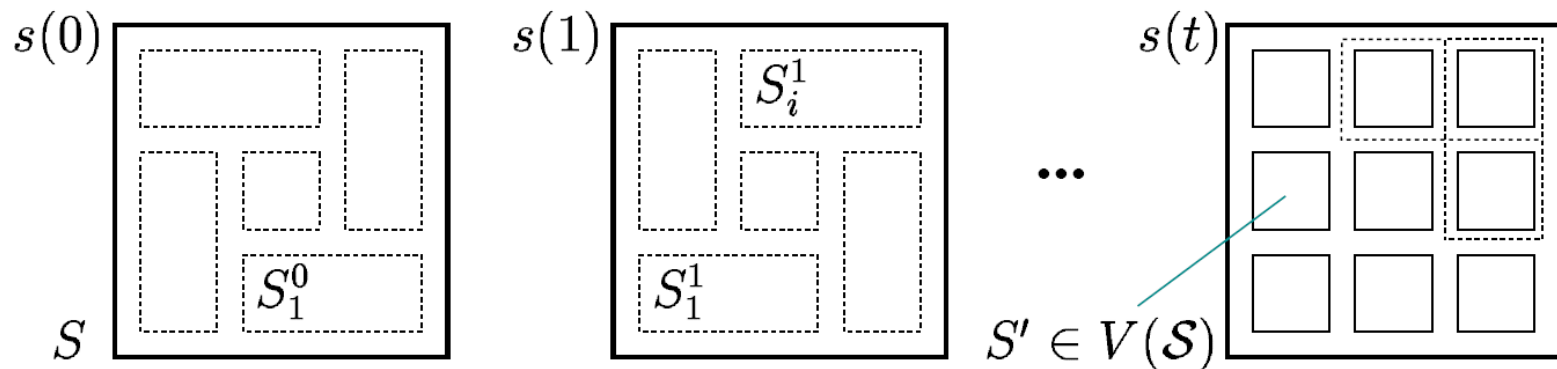
An interaction implies one or several elementary parts



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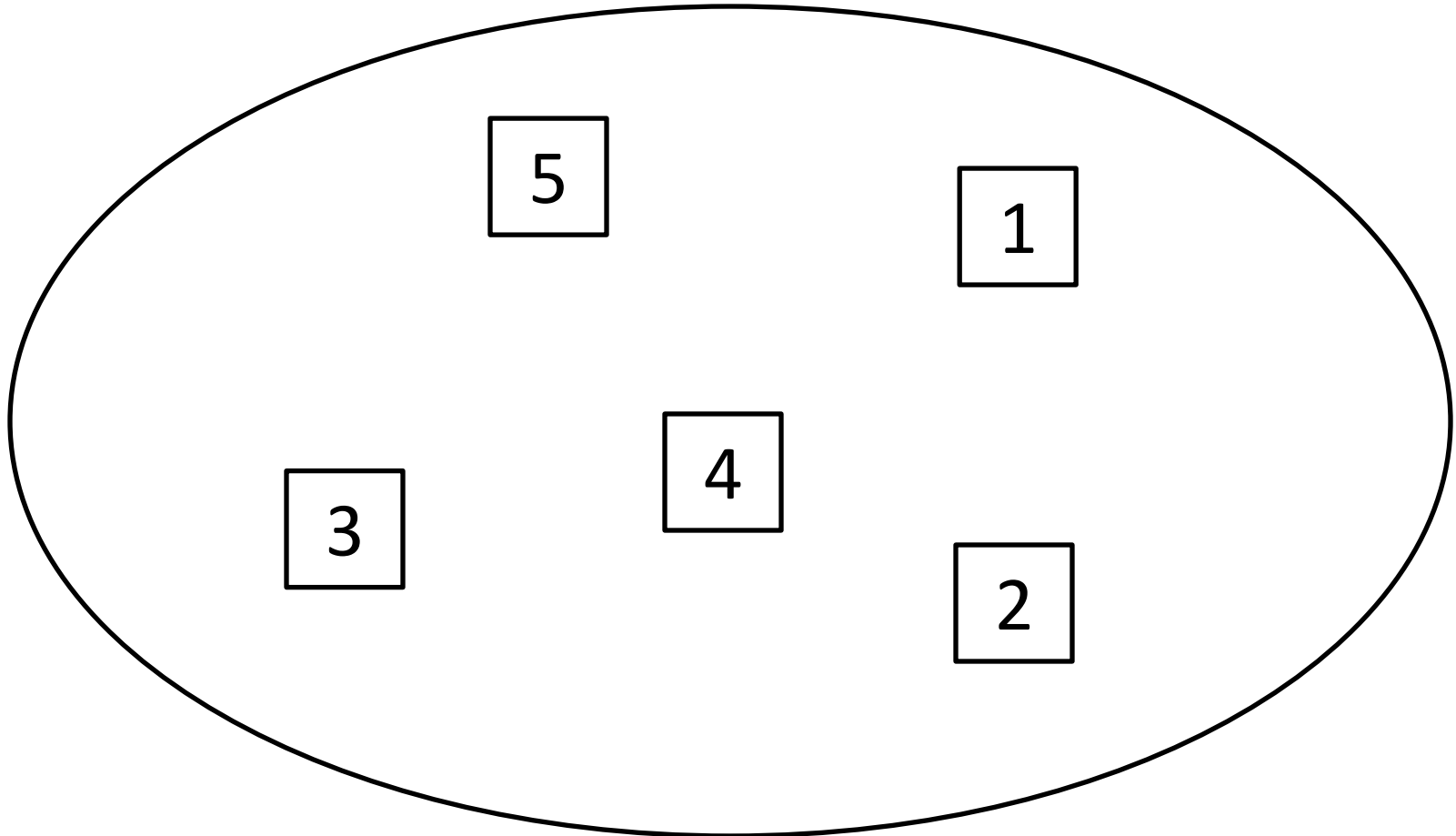
■ *Interaction* based modeling/simulation

- Interactions in dynamical system
 - $s(t)$: state of the system at time t
 - S_i^t : i^{th} *sub-system where an interaction occurs* at time t
- The successive partitions give rise to a topology on S
 - Basic elements in interaction: **points**
 - Spatial organization of the interactions: **topology of interactions**
 - Different kinds of interaction: **local evolution laws**



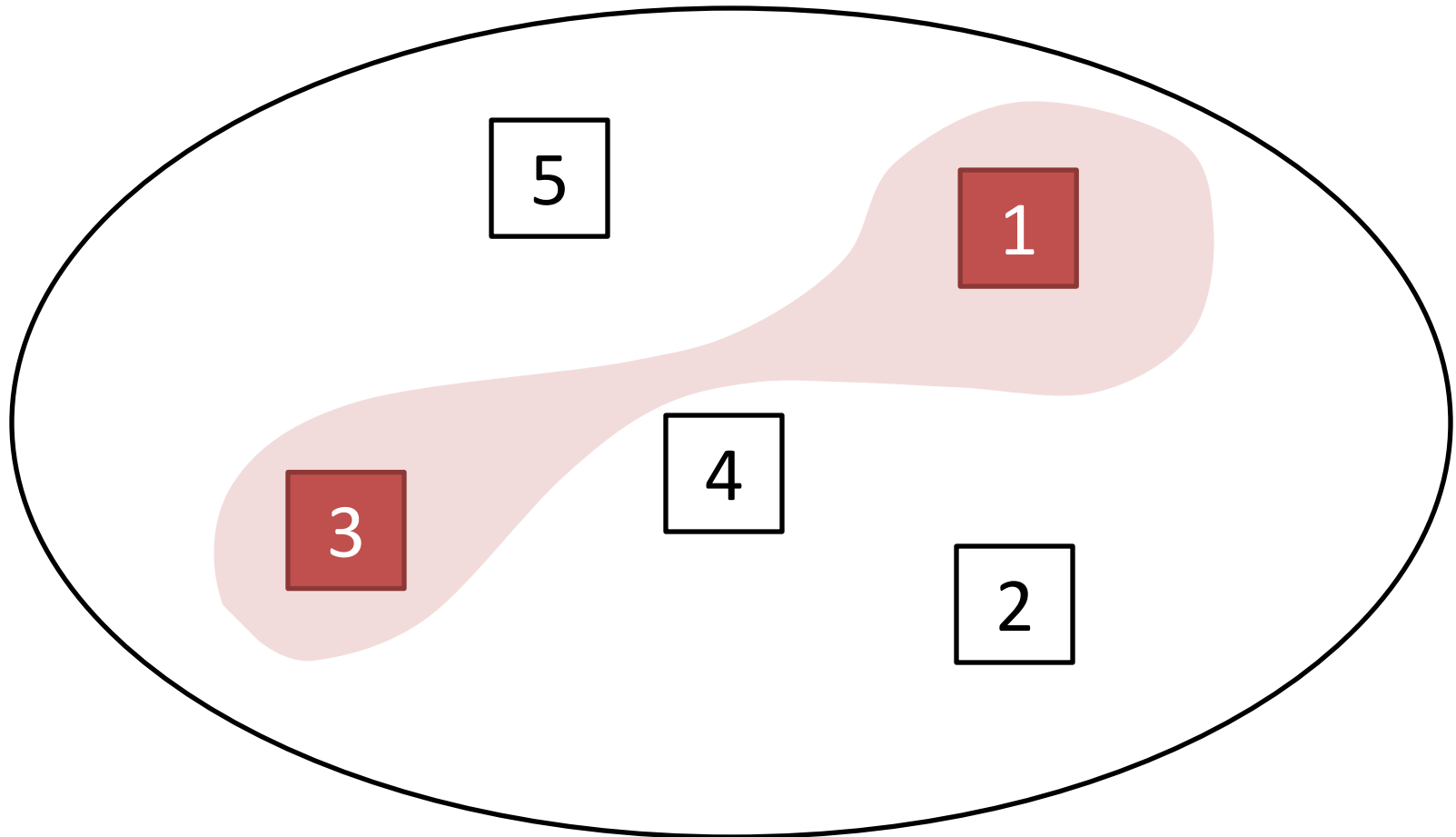
Topology of Interactions

■ Initial State



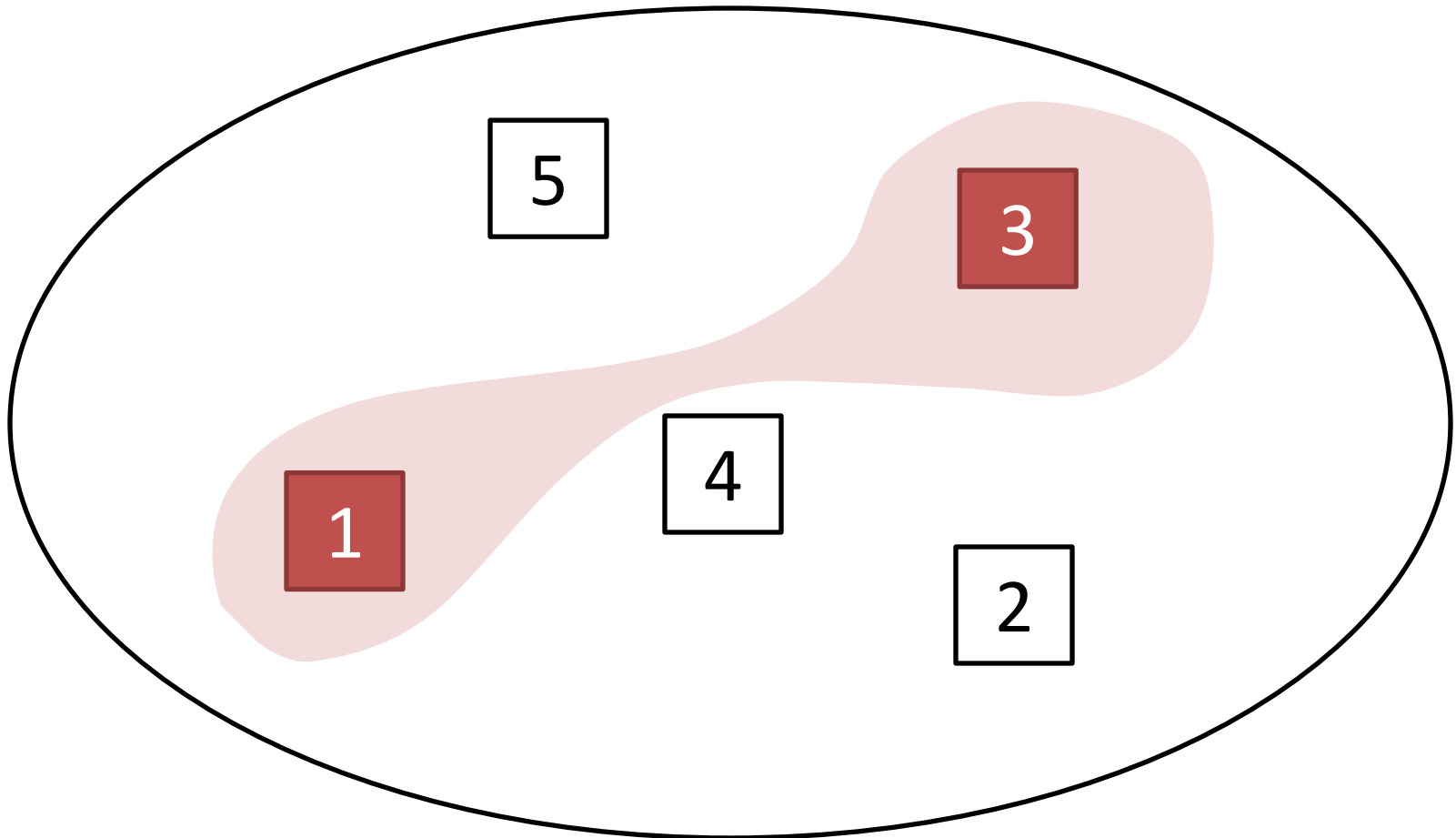
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■ Interaction 1



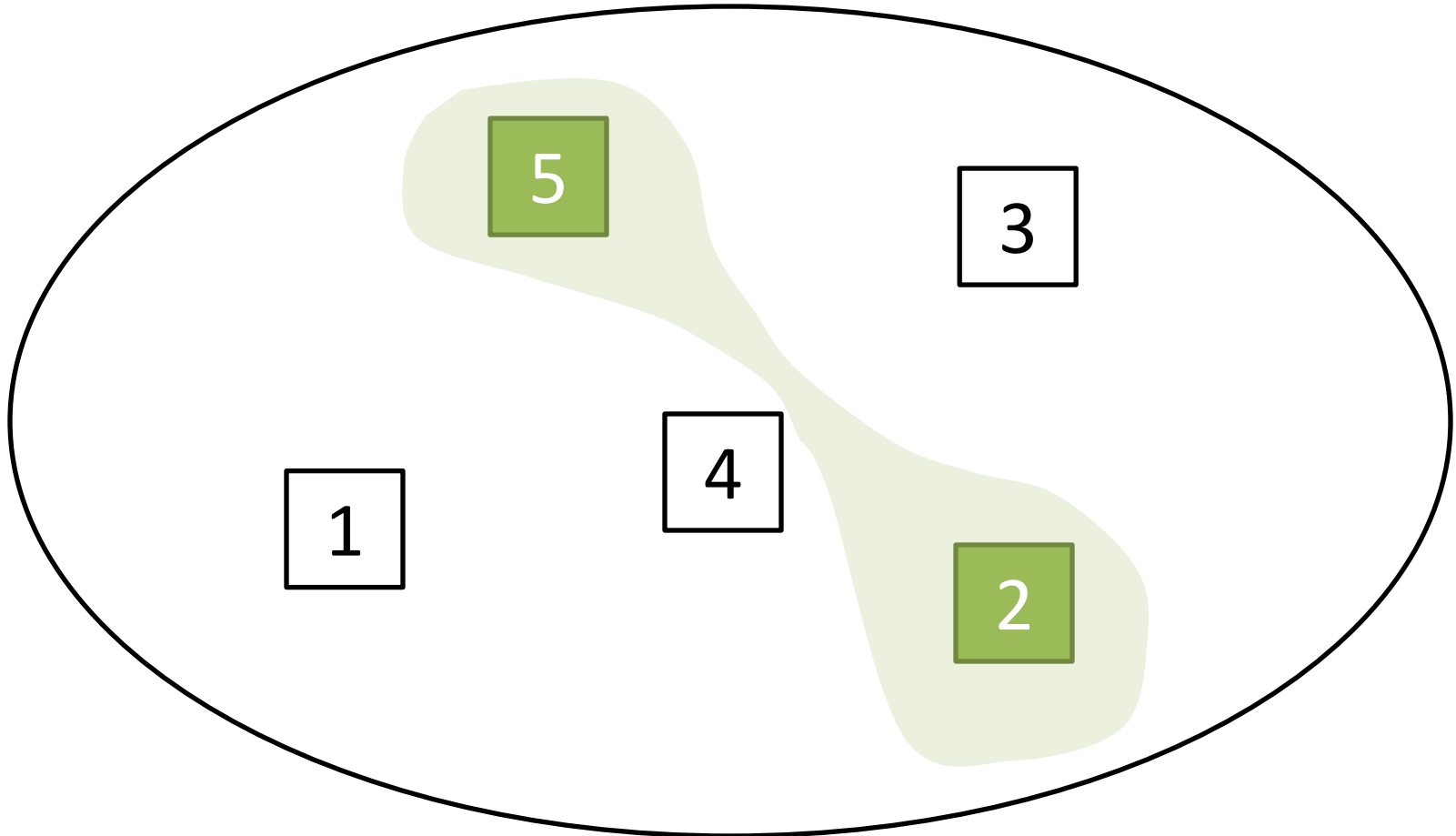
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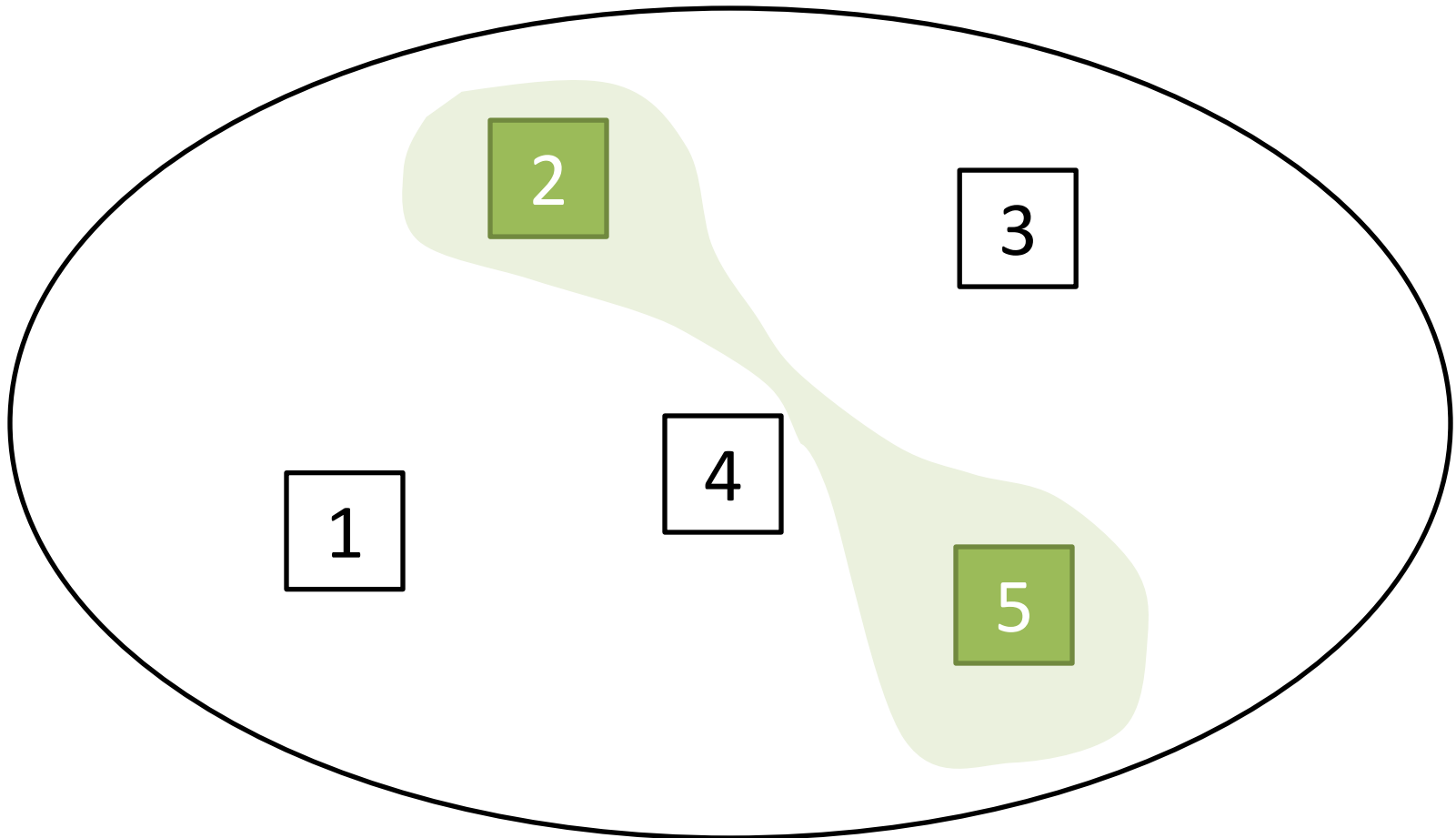
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■ Interaction 2



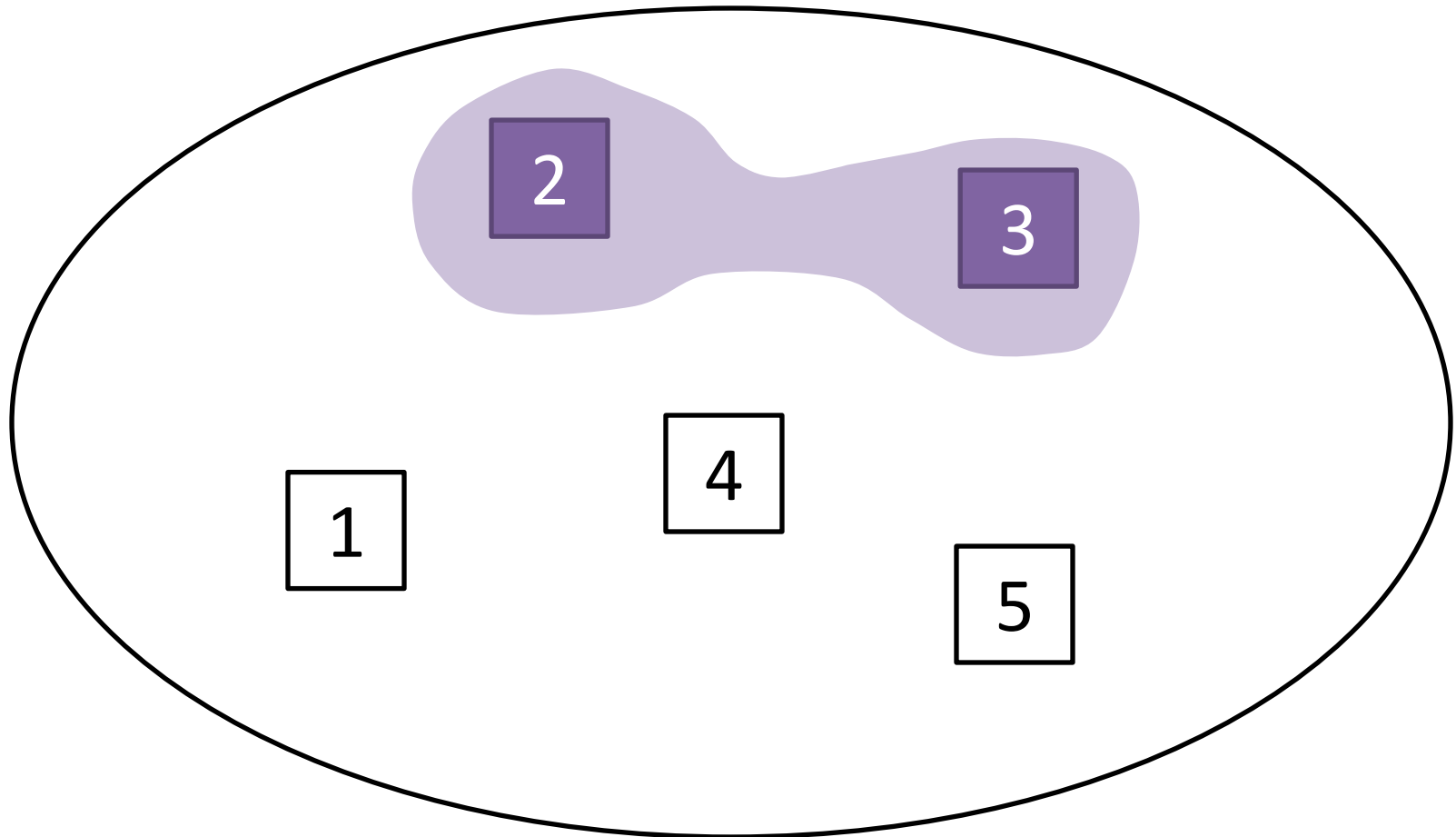
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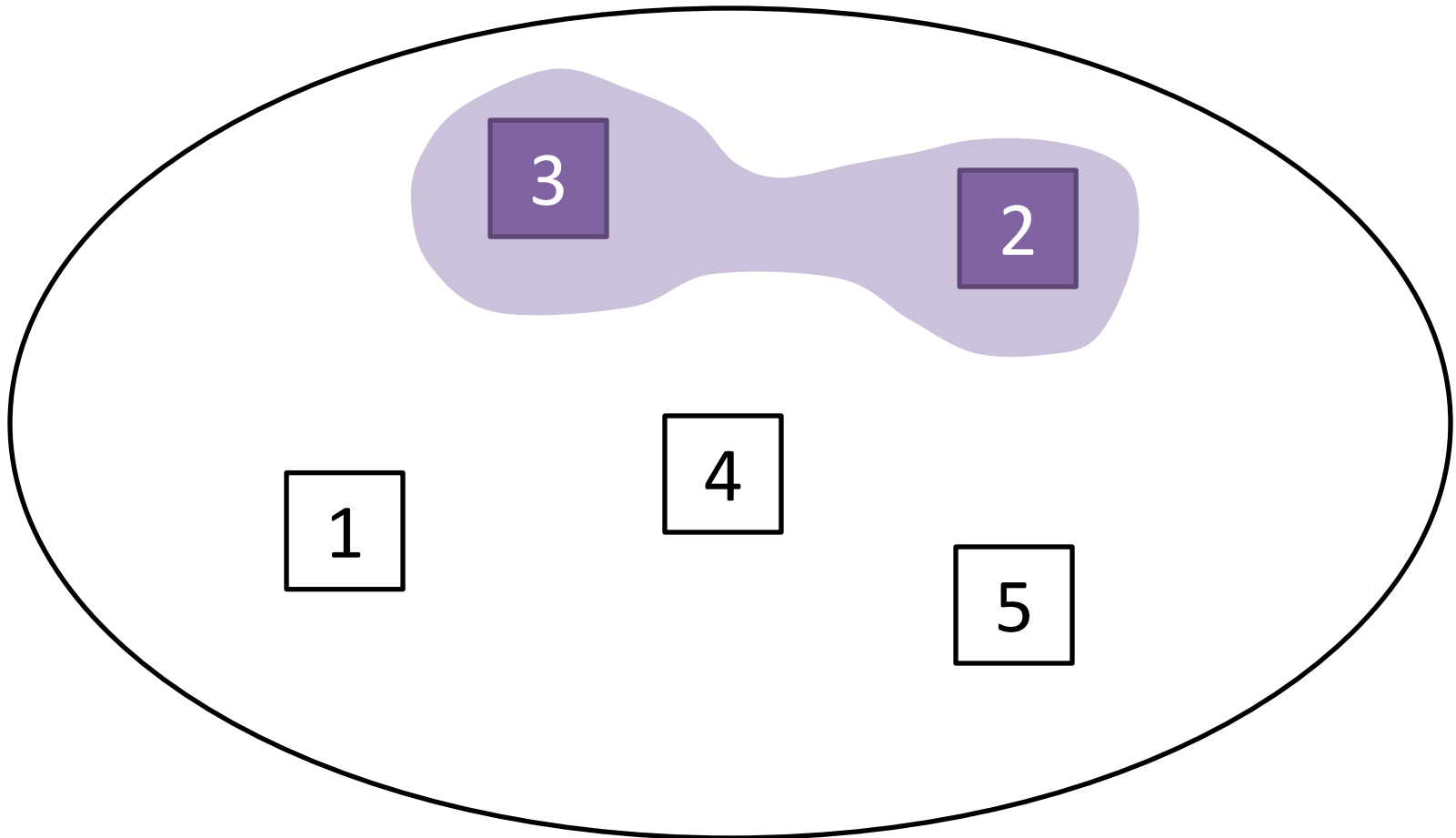
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■ Interaction 3



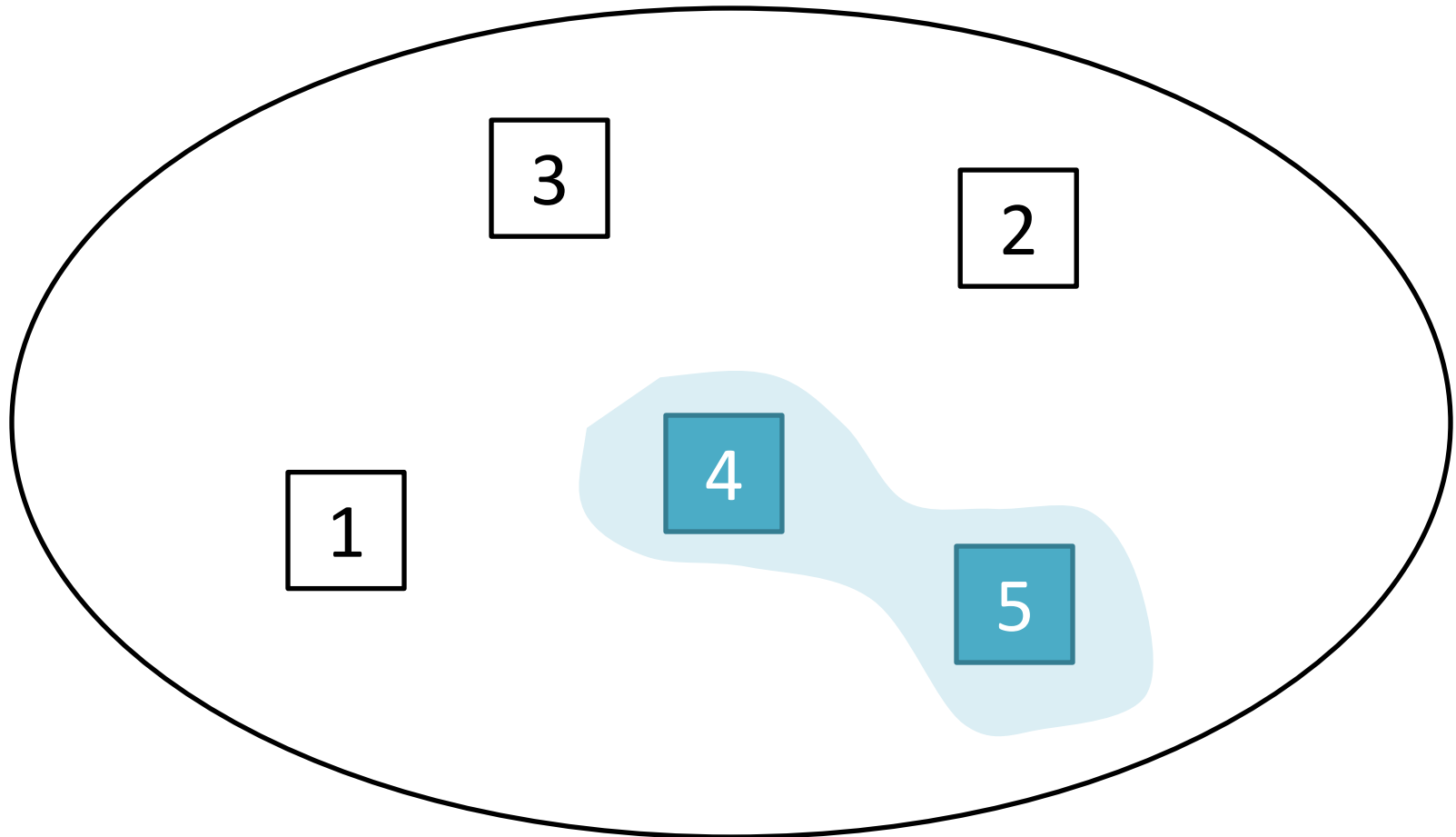
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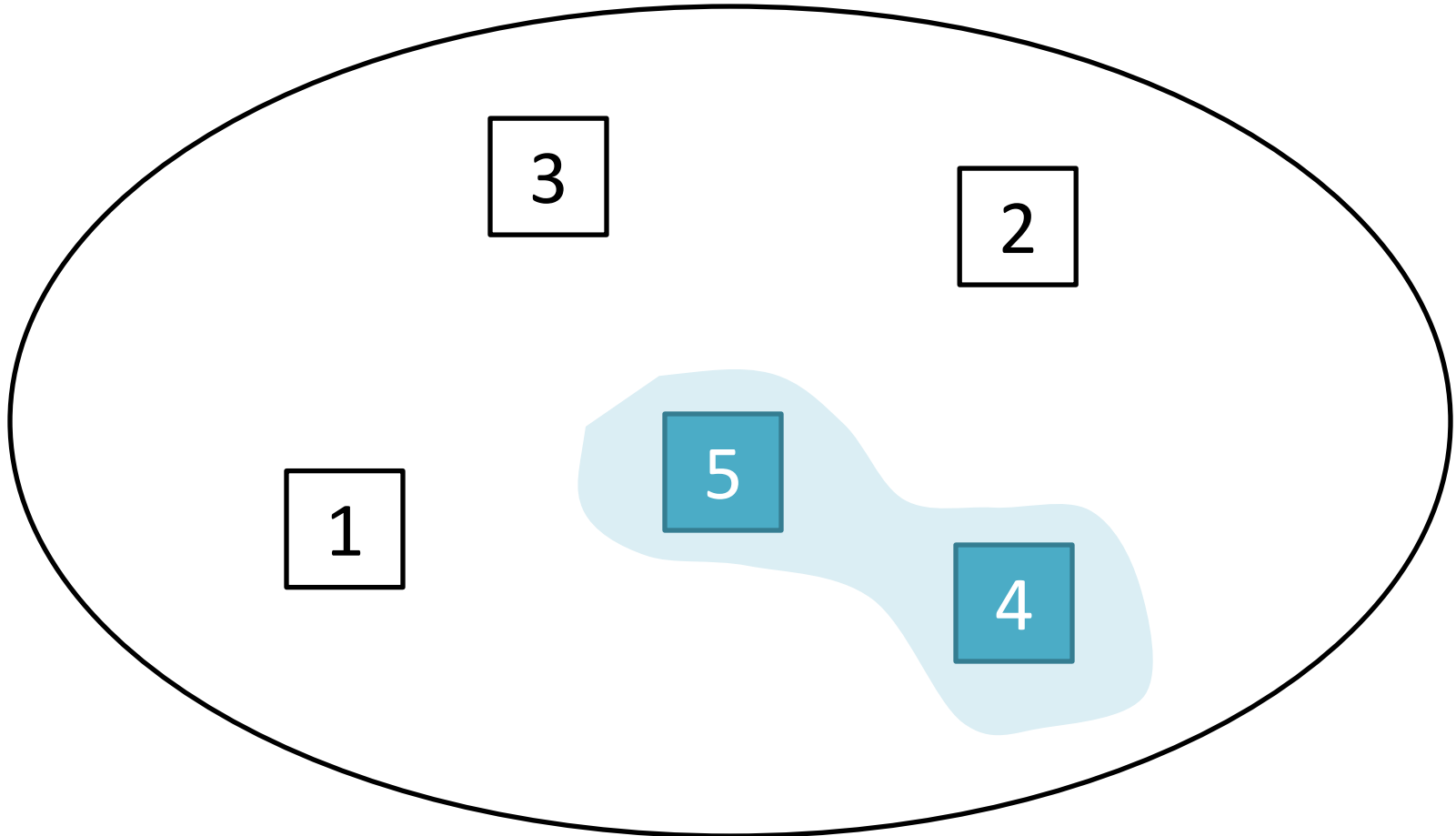
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■ Interaction 4



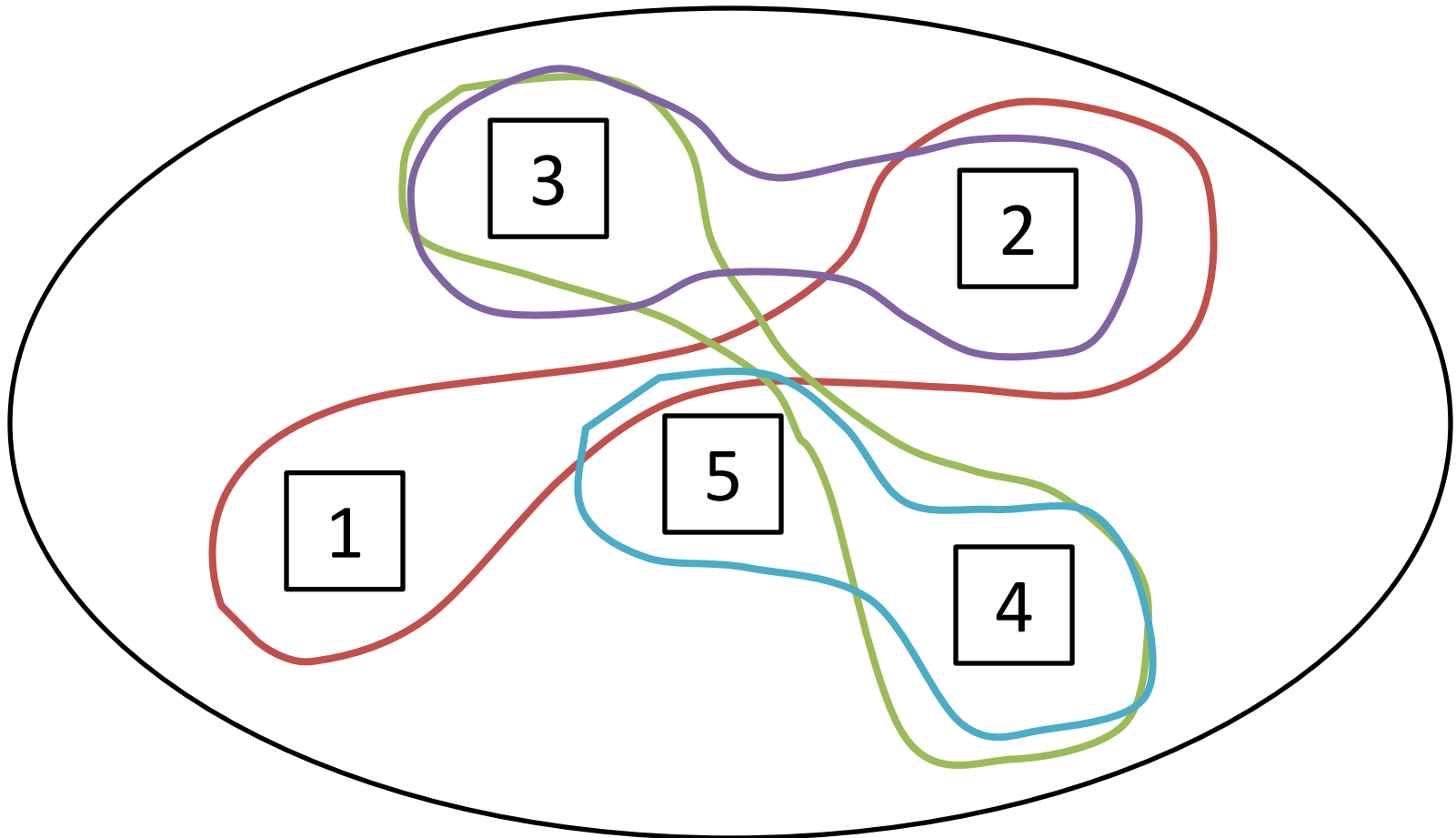
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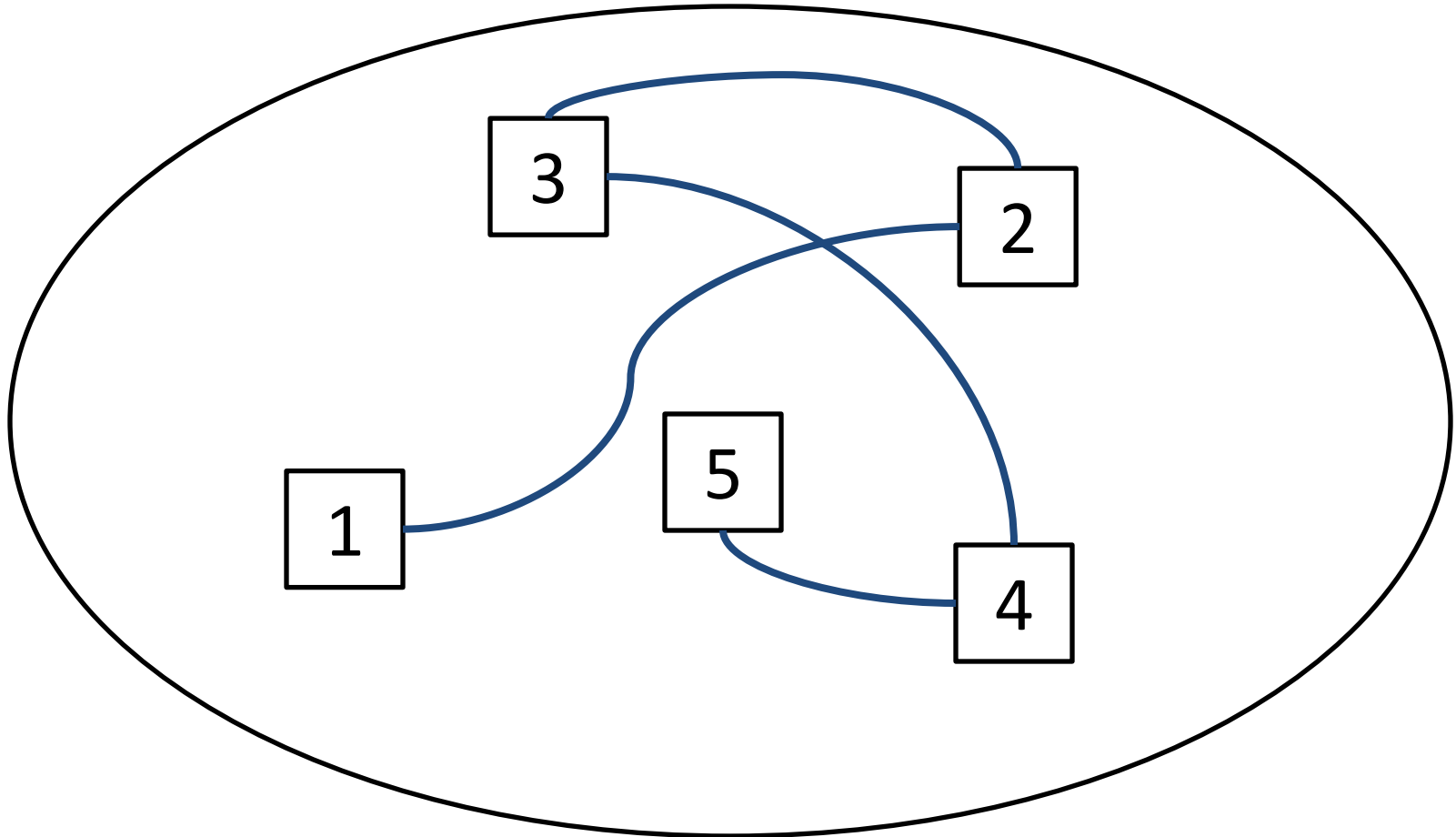
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- Partition Based on Interacting Regions



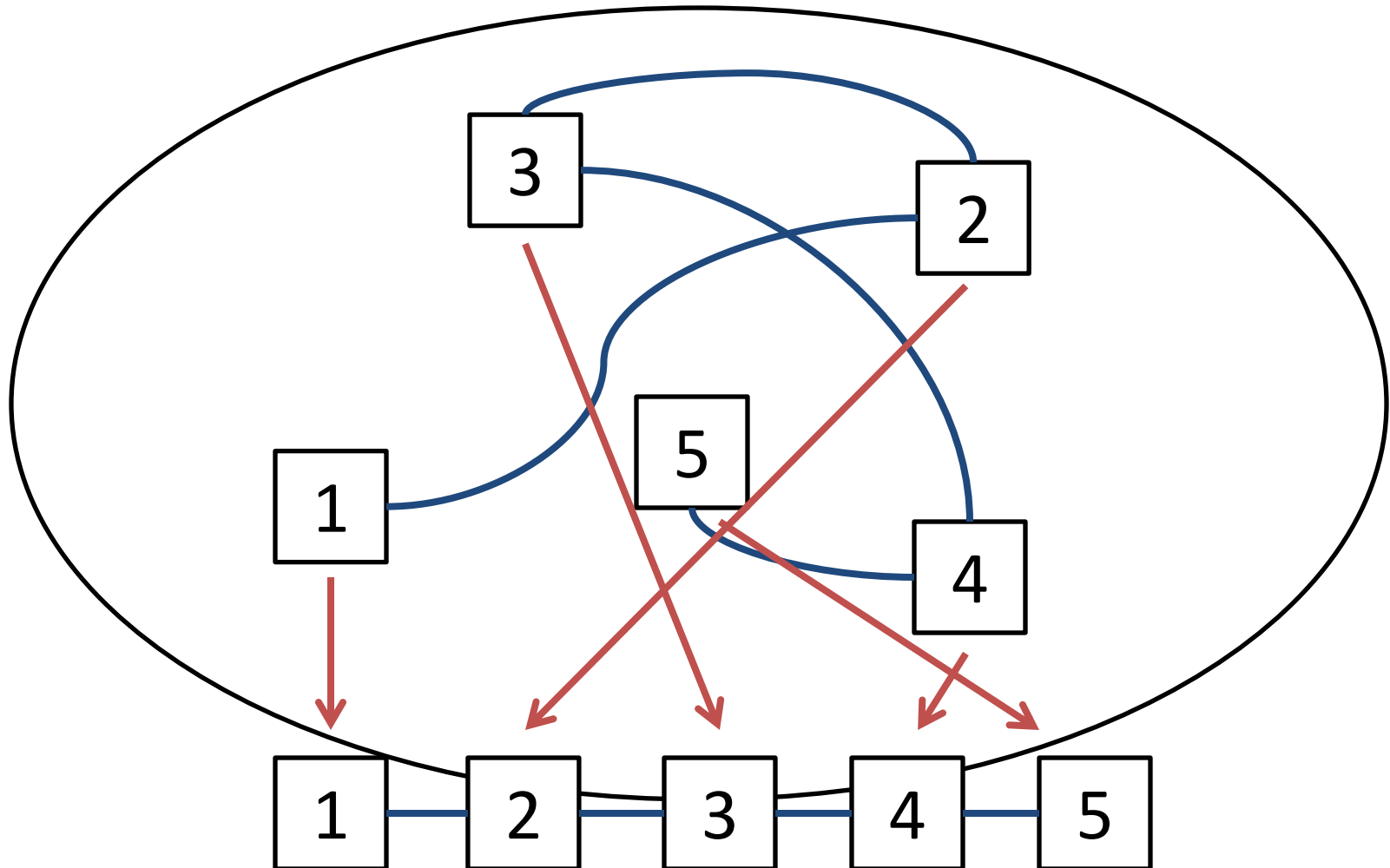
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■ Induced Neighborhood Relationship



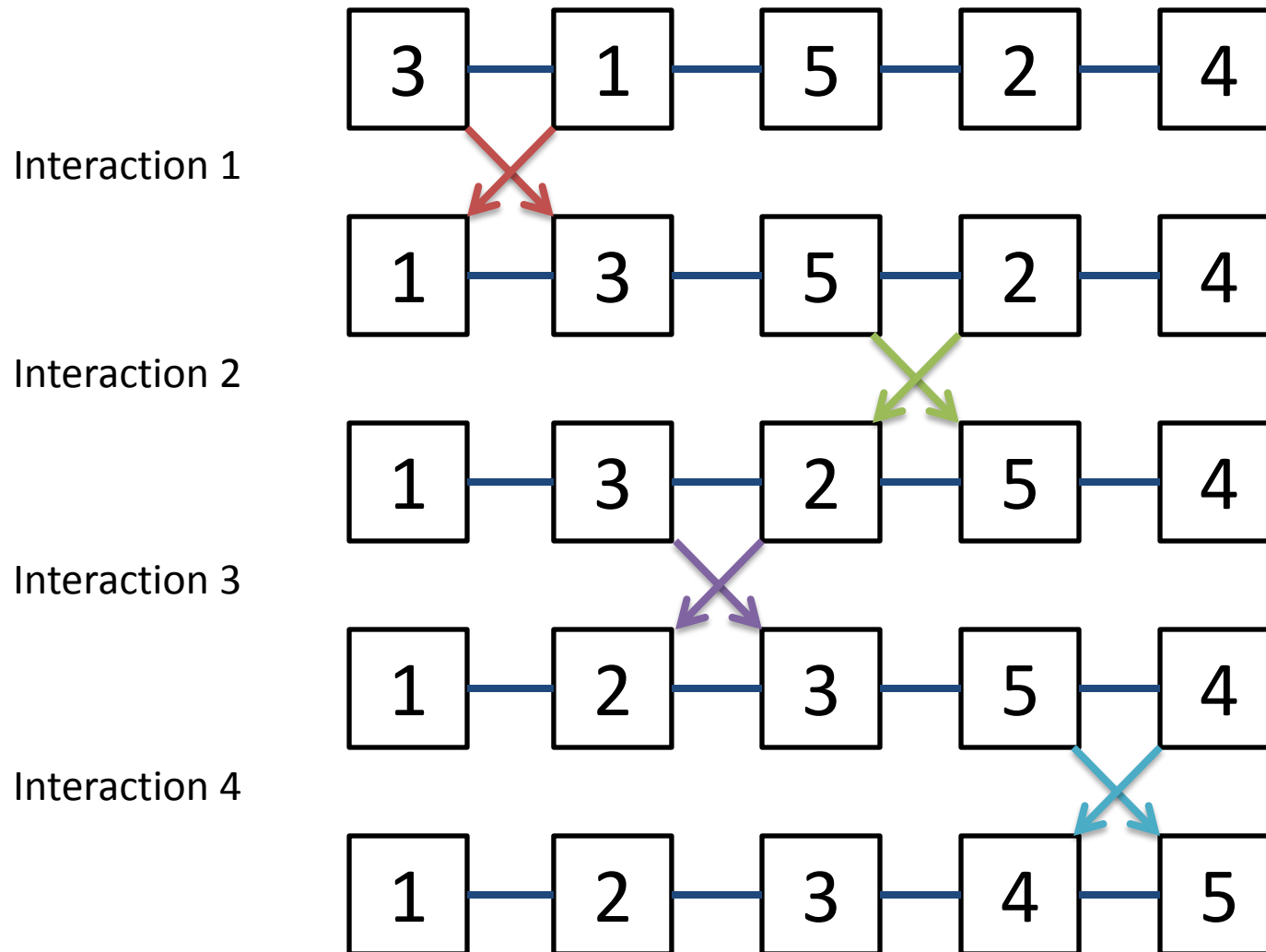
Topology of Interactions

■ Topology of Sequence



Topology of Interactions

■ Evolution Analysis



Topology of Interactions



■ Big picture

1. Describe a dynamical system through its parts
2. Two parts are neighbors if they can potentially interact
3. Each part is characterized by a (local) state
4. The global state of the system is the “sum” of its local states and their topological organization
5. An interaction makes evolve a (small) subset of local states
6. An interaction potentially changes the topological organization of state

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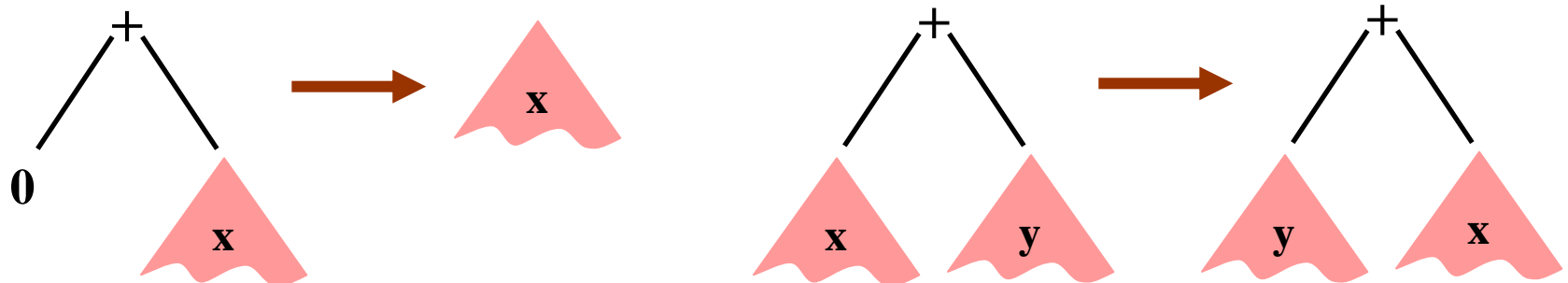
MGS: a DSL for (DS)²

■ Requirements

- **Discrete**: representation of *populations of entities*
- **Local**: the global behavior *emerges* from local interactions
- **Declarative**: close to a *mathematical* specification

■ *Rewriting* Techniques

- Formalization of the equational reasoning
Substitution of a sub-part of an object by another one
- Example: simplification of arithmetical expressions



MGS: a DSL for (DS)²

Dynamical Systems

Rewriting Techniques

Model

Definition

State (*space/topology of interactions*)

hierarchical organizations
arbitrary organizations

Evolution Function

interaction \Rightarrow product
local evolution laws

Data Structure

formal trees (terms)
graph, *topological collection*

Rewriting System

$\alpha \Rightarrow \beta$ α : pattern, β : expression
set of rules, *transformation*

Simulation

Application

Trajectories

Derivations

Time Modeling

Rule Application Strategies

discrete, event based,
synchronous/asynchronous/...

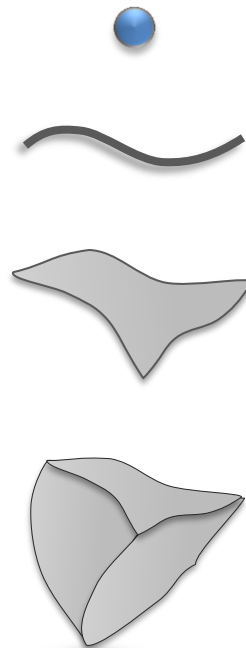
maximal-parallel/sequential/
stochastic/...

MGS: Collection

■ Topological Collection

□ Structure

- A collection of *(topological) cells*
- An *incidence relationship (neighborhood)*

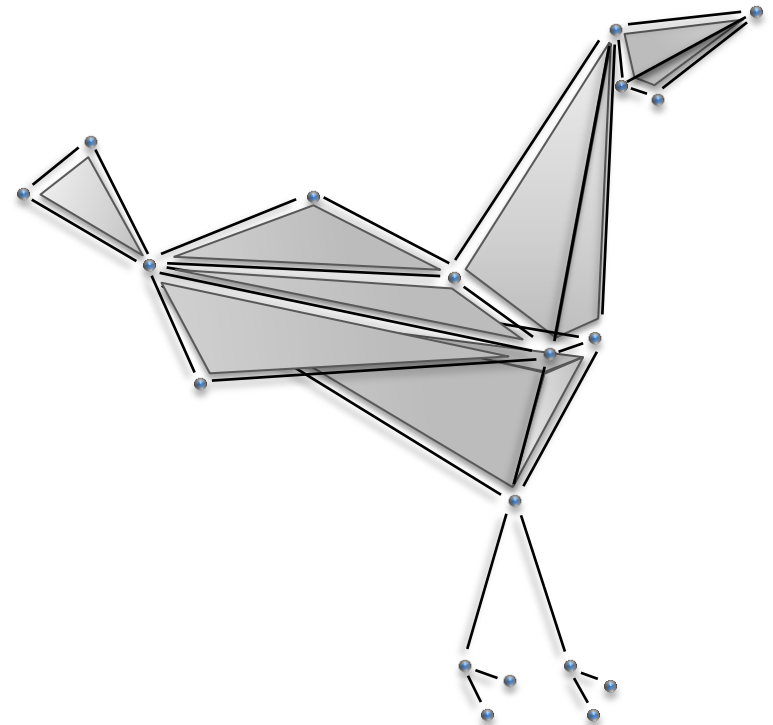


0-cell

1-cell

2-cell

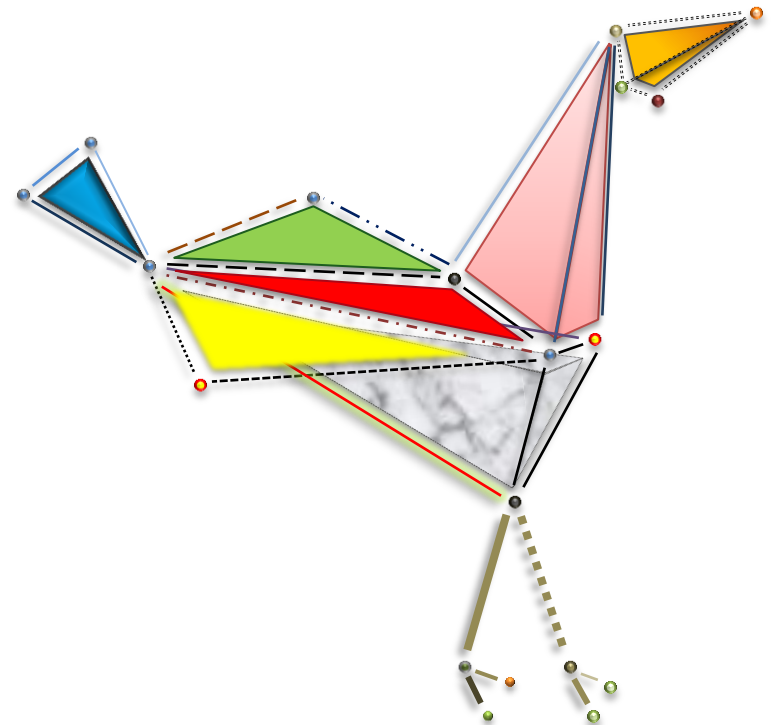
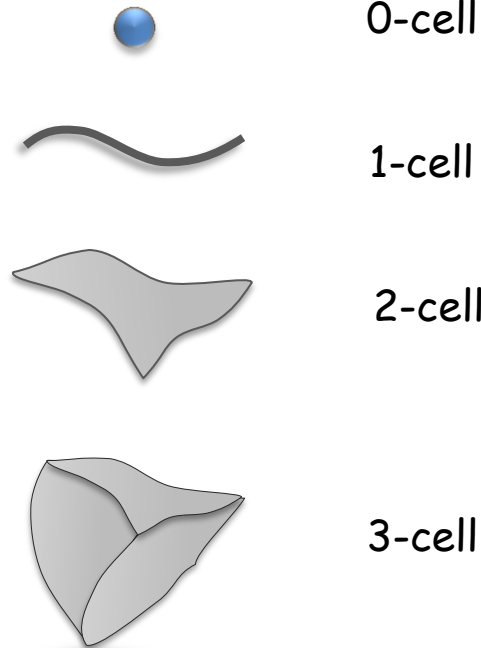
3-cell



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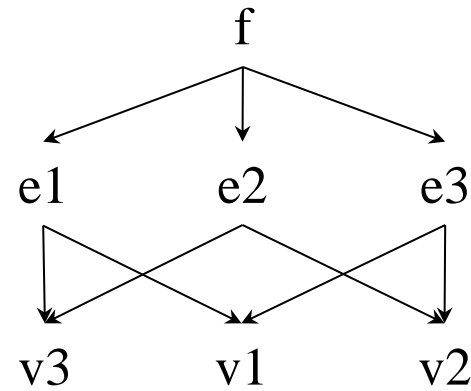
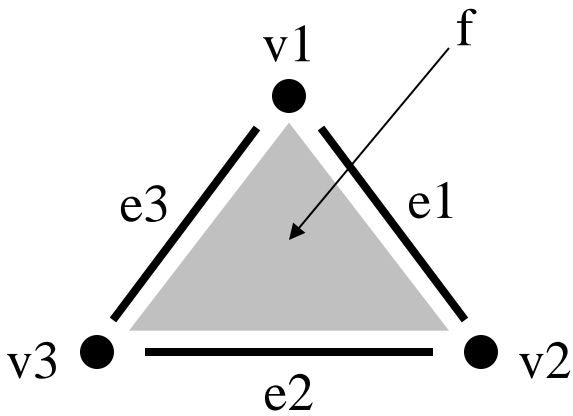
- Structure
 - A collection of *(topological) cells*
 - An *incidence relationship (neighborhood)*
- Data *associated with the cells*



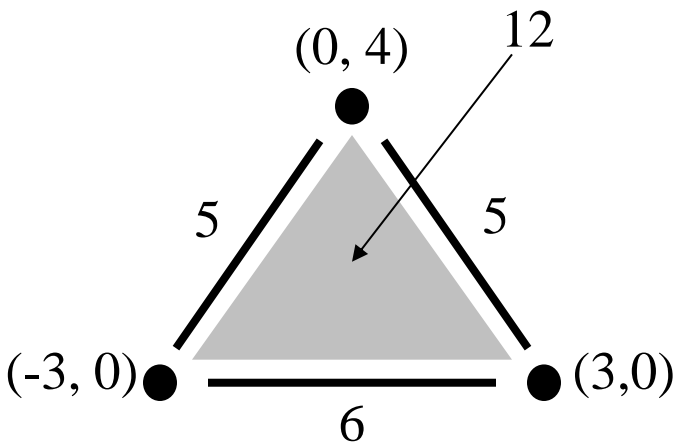
MGS: Collection

■ Topological Collection

- More formally... but still graphically



Ranked partially ordered set of cells



$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \cdot v_1 + \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot v_2 + \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot v_3 + 5 \cdot e_1 + 6 \cdot e_2 + 5 \cdot e_3 + 12 \cdot f$$

Partial finite function labeling cells

MGS: Transformation

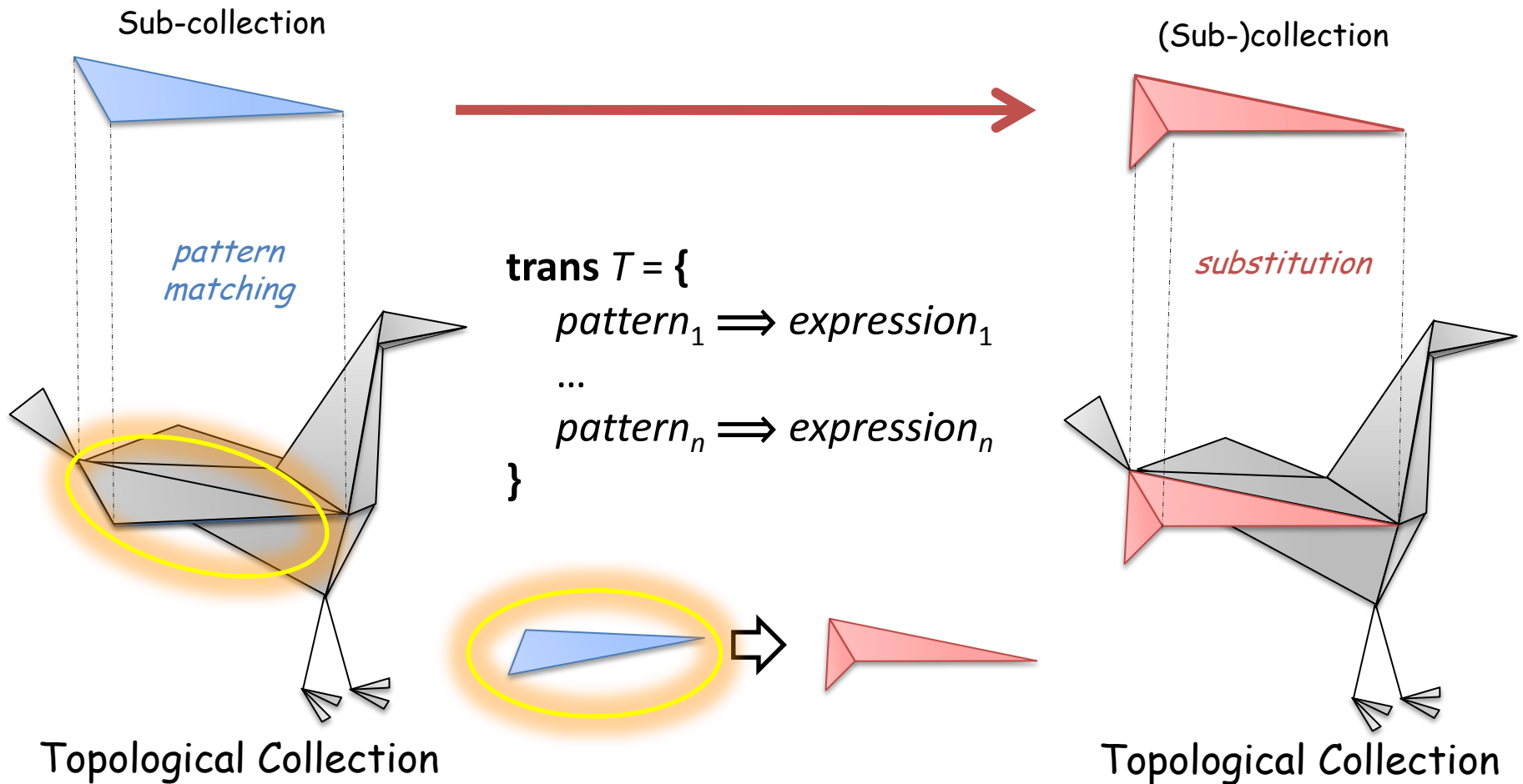
■ Transformation

- Functions defined by case on collections
Each case (pattern-) *matches* a sub-collection
- Rewriting relationship: *topological rewriting*

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trans T = {  
    pattern1 ⇒ expression1  
    ...  
    patternn ⇒ expressionn  
}
```

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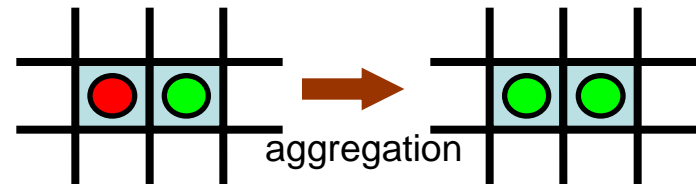
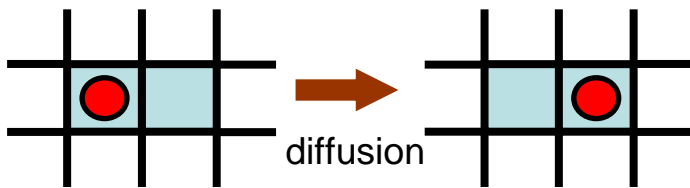
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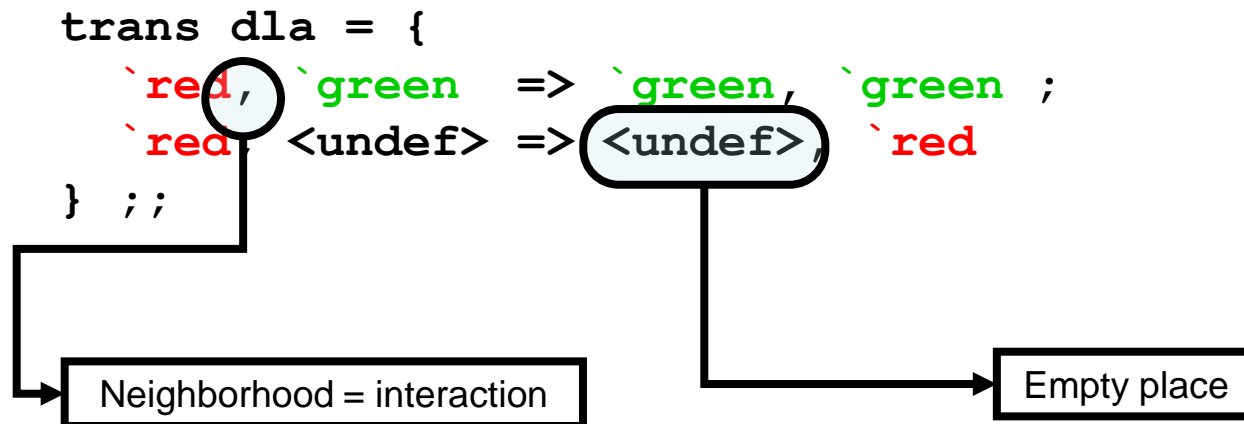
MGS Examples: *dynamic on shape*

■ Diffusion Limited Aggregation

- Local evolution laws

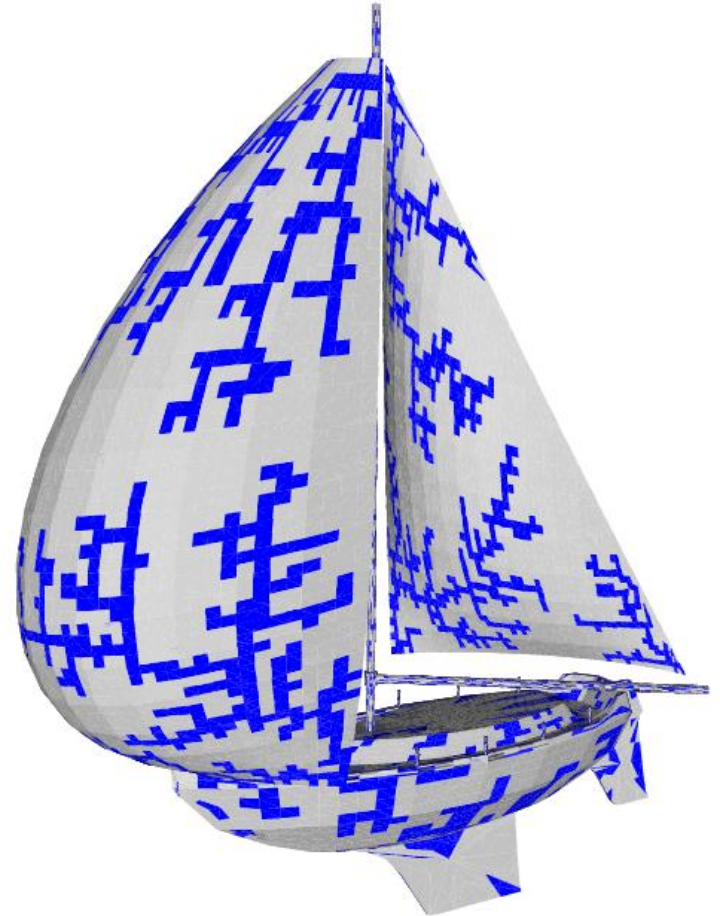
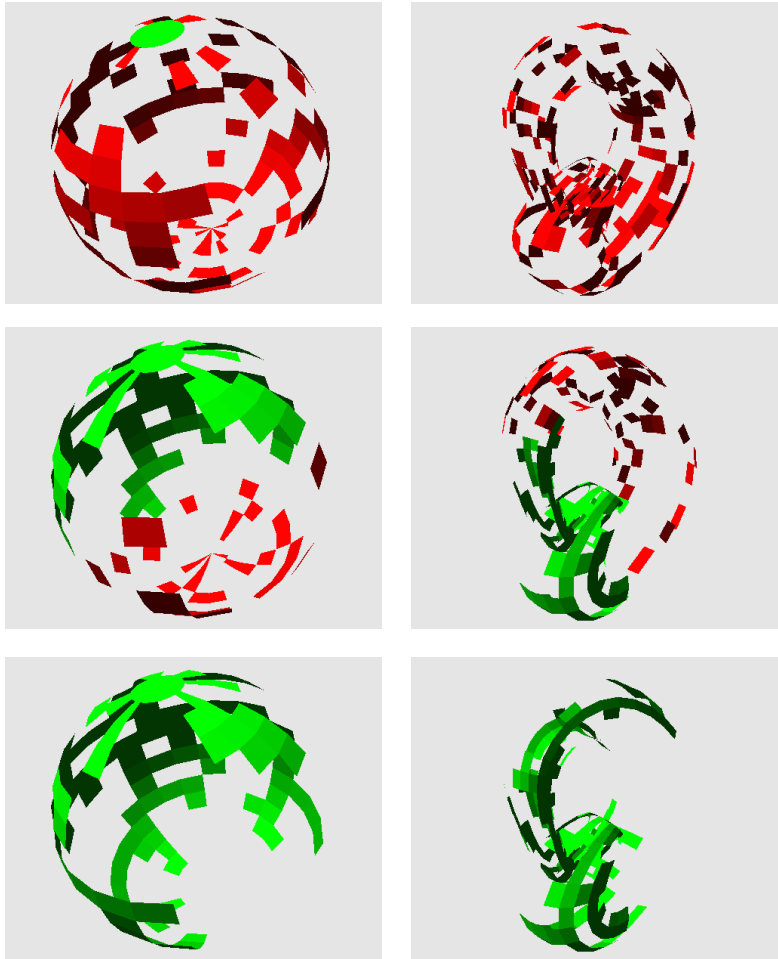


- MGS specification



MGS Examples: *dynamic on shape*

■ Diffusion Limited Aggregation



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■ Topological modification

Splitting an edge by insertion of a vertex

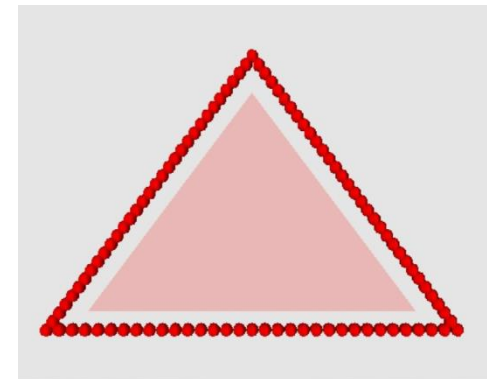
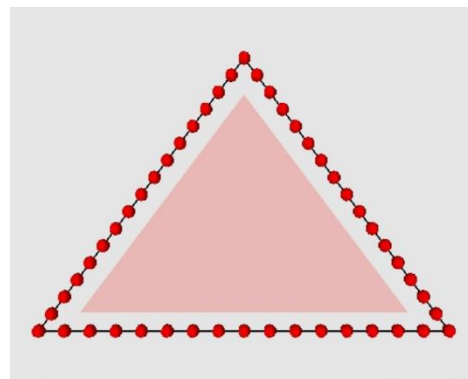
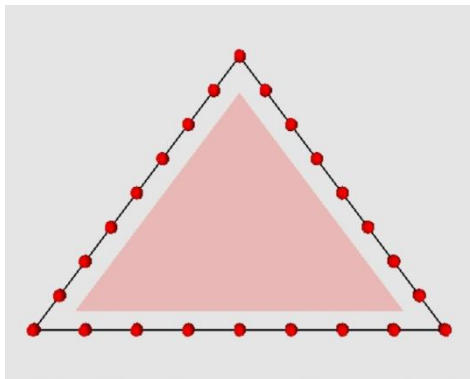
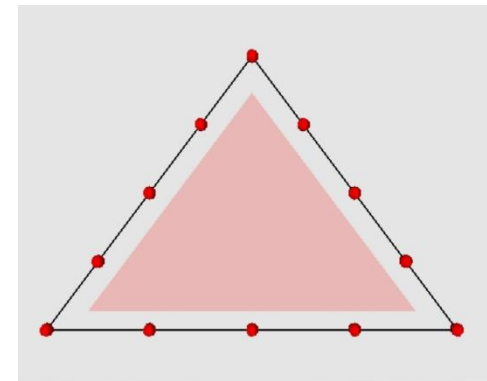
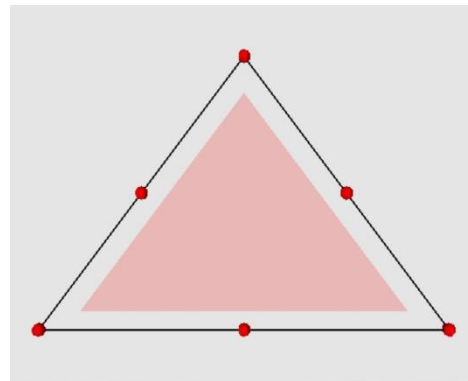
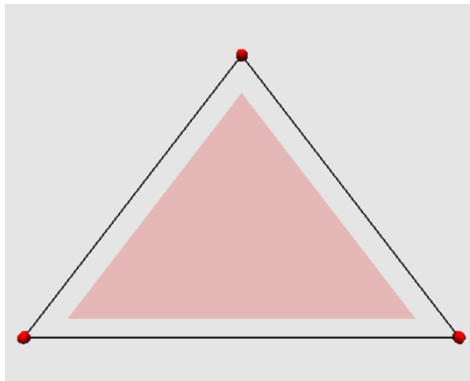


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trans insert_vertex = {  
  ~v1 < e: [ dim = 1 ] > ~v2  
  =>  
    letcell v = new_cell 0 () ()  
    and e1 = new_cell 1 (^v1, v) (cofaces ^e)  
    and e2 = new_cell 1 (^v2, v) (cofaces ^e)  
    in  
      (some expression) * v  
}
```

MGS Examples: *dynamic of shape*

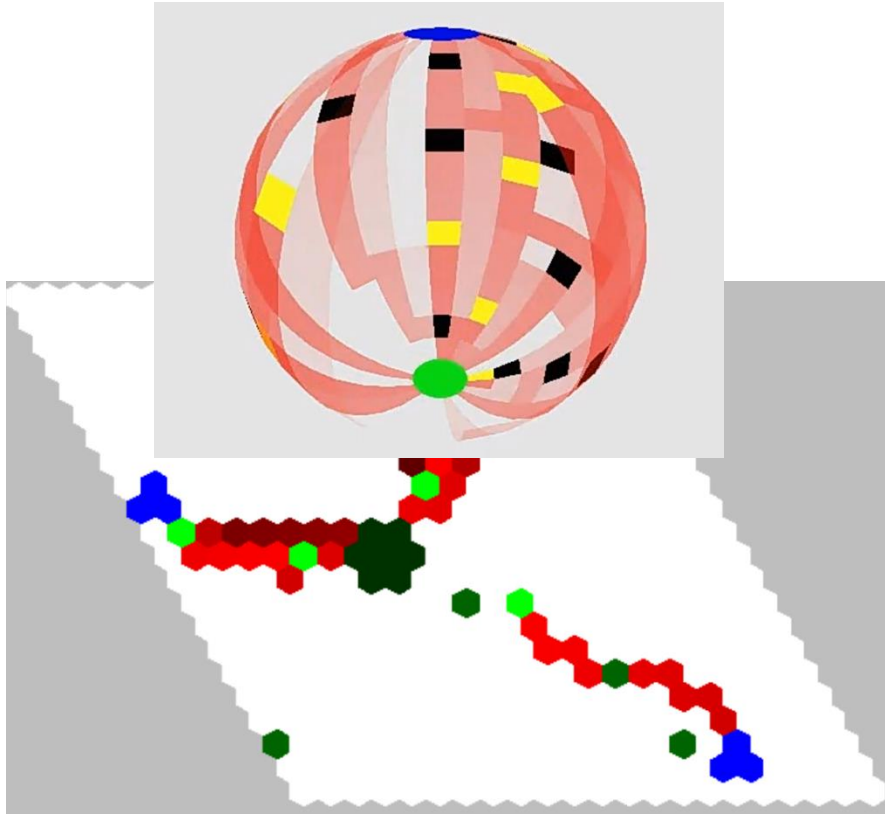
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■ Multi-Agents Systems



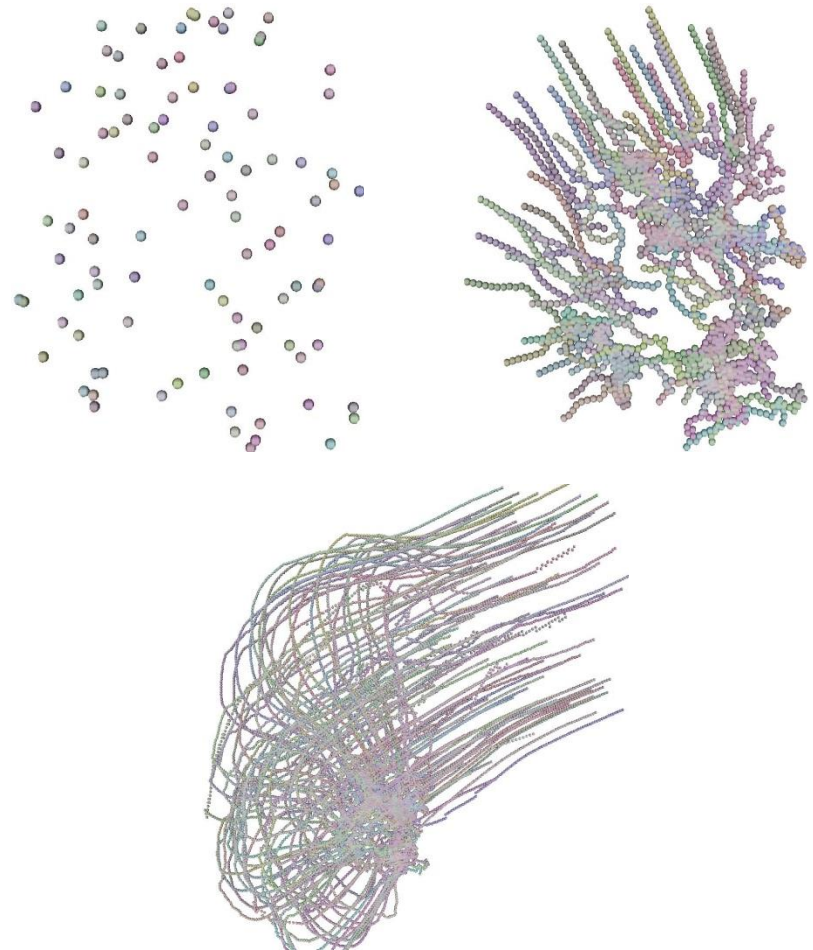
Ants foraging

One transformation, different topologies

polytypism

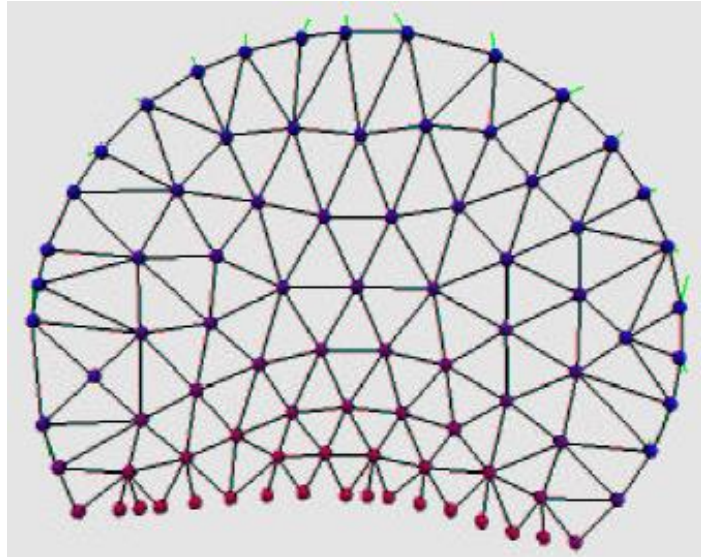
Boids (Reynolds, 86)

No leader, 3 evolution rules, coherent global behavior



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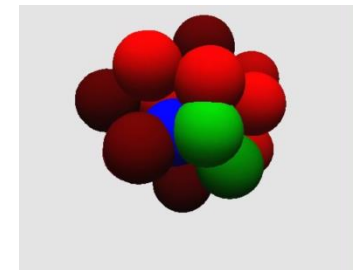
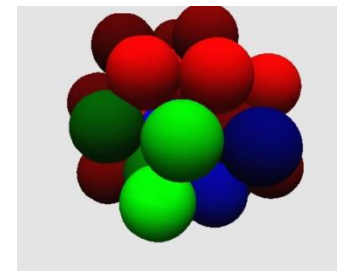
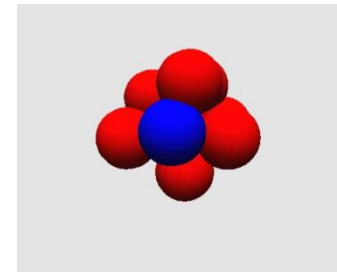
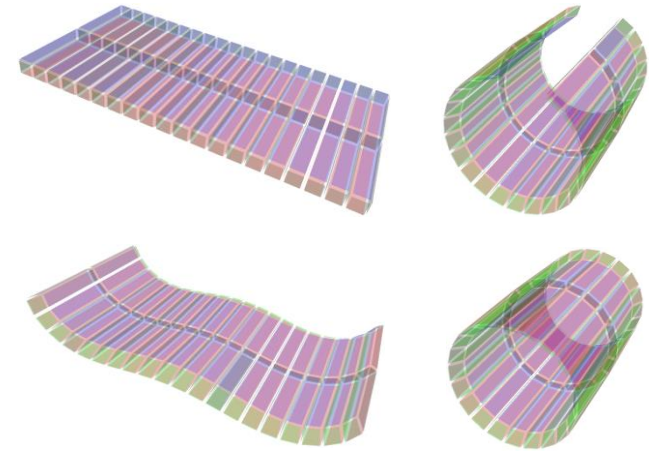
■ Integrative Biology



Cellular motility
Adaptive mesh

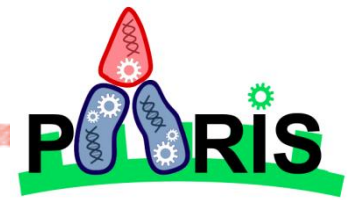
Neurulation

Topological
surgery



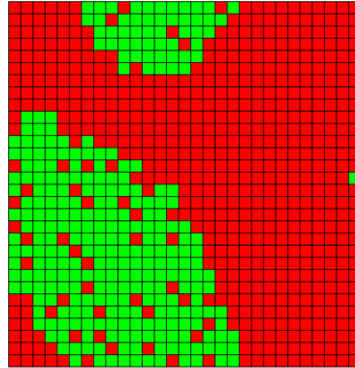
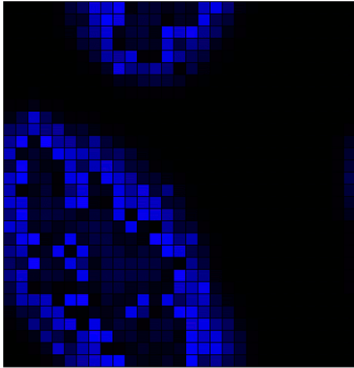
Tumor
growth

MGS Examples: *synthetic biology*

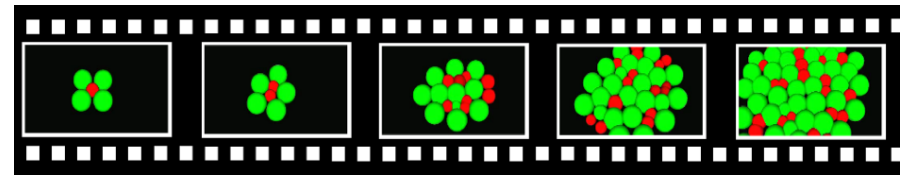


Qualitative models

Differentiation & survival



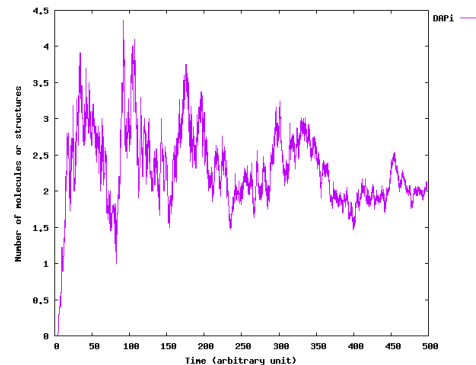
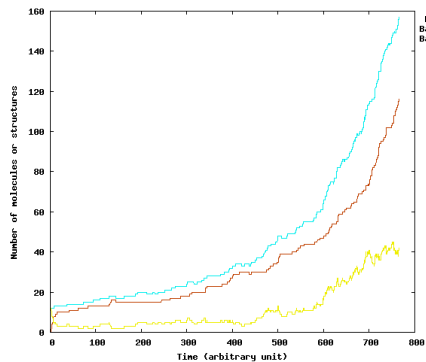
Spatial evolution of the population



Mass/spring system

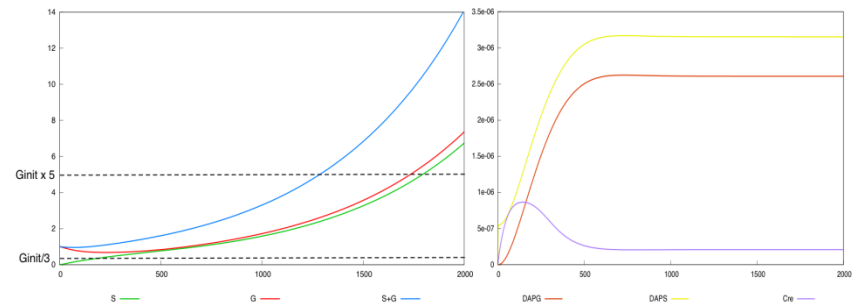
Cellular automata

Noise sensibility



Quantitative models

Robustness



Gillespie's SSA

Kinetics model (ODE/PDE)

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