

Communication Efficiency in Self-stabilizing Silent Protocols

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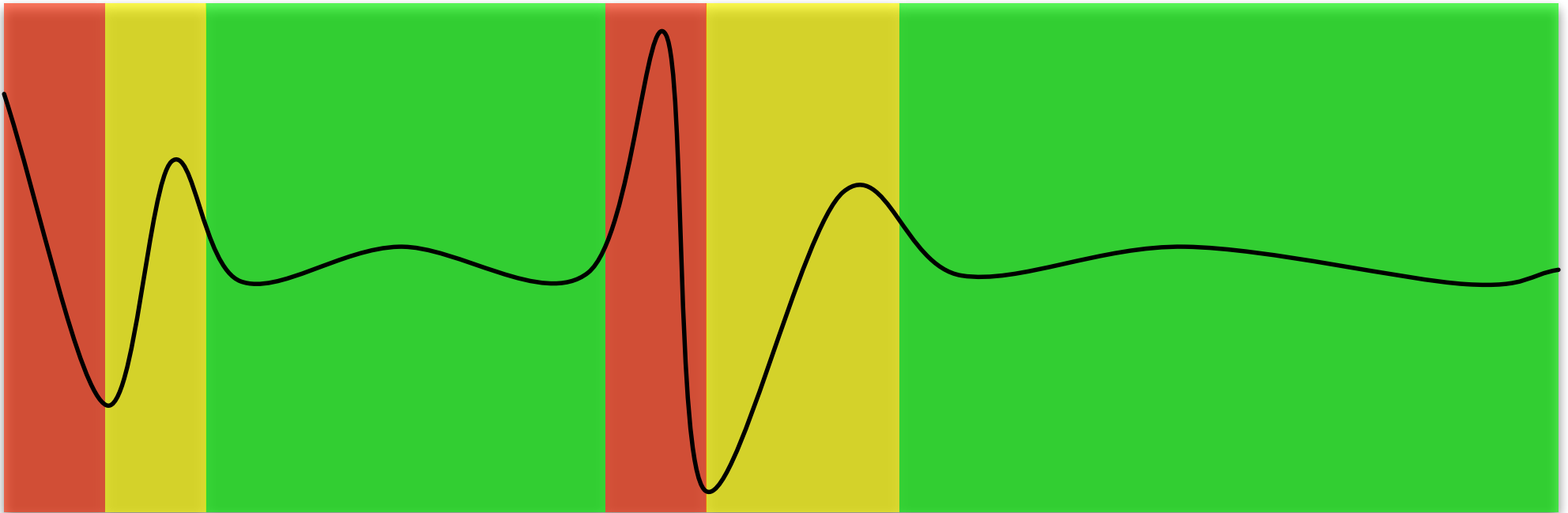
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Self-stabilization



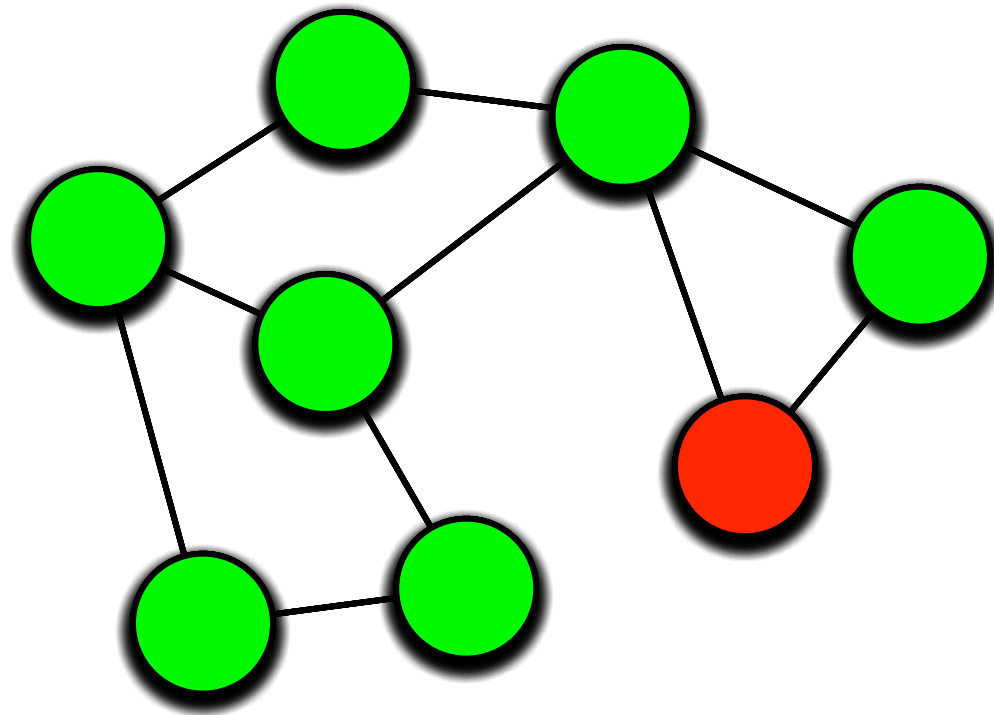
Overhead ?

- *Katz, Perry*. Self-stabilizing Extensions for Message Passing Systems. Distributed Computing, 1993.
- *Beauquier, Delaët, Dolev, Tixeuil*. Transient Fault Detectors. Distributed Computing, 2007.
- *Awerbuch, Patt-Shamir, Varghese*. Self-stabilization by Local Checking and Correction. FOCS, 1991.

Rationale

- Checking (eventually) **no** neighbor trivially **prevents** self-stabilization
- Checking **all** neighbors **forever enables** self-stabilization
- Intermediate communication cost ?

Silent Protocols



Communication Efficiency

- *Larrea, Fernandez, Arevalo*. Optimal Implementation of the weakest failure detector for solving Consensus. SRDS 2000.
- *Aguilera, Delporte-Gallet, Fauconnier, Toueg*. On implementing Omega with weak reliability and synchrony assumptions. PODC 2003.

Results

- New measure for communication efficiency of self-stabilizing protocols
- - Neighbor-complete protocols can not be silent self-stabilizing and eventual- k -stable when degree $> k$ (IDs and leader help slightly)
- + It is still possible to have *some* nodes check less than all neighbors for some

k-Efficiency

- **Definition**
 - A protocol is *k-efficient* if at any step, a node reads from at most k neighbors
- ***Intuition***
 - Round-Robin for neighbor checking
 - Local invariants may not be preserved

Communication Stability

- **k-stable**

- In any *execution*, every node communicates with at most k *different* neighbors

- **eventual k-stable**

- In any *execution*, every node *eventually* communicates with at most k *different* neighbors

Neighbor Completeness

- **Definition**

- A protocol is *neighbor complete* if it is

- Self-stabilizing

- Silent

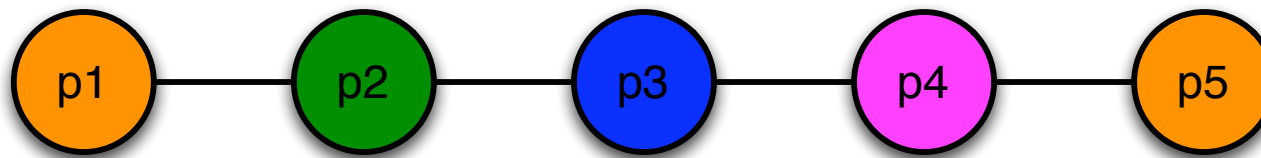
- States  and  can be legitimate

- For every couple of neighbors   

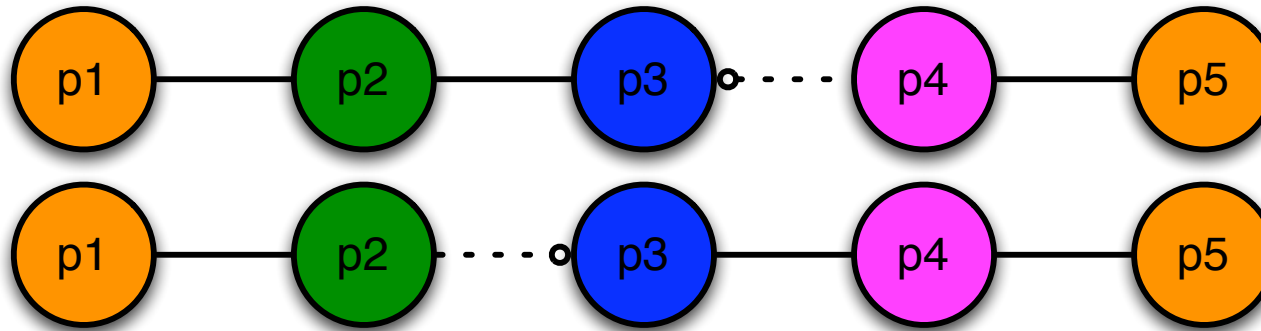
Impossibility I

- **Theorem**
 - There exists **no** eventual k -stable neighbor complete protocol in anonymous networks when degree $> k$

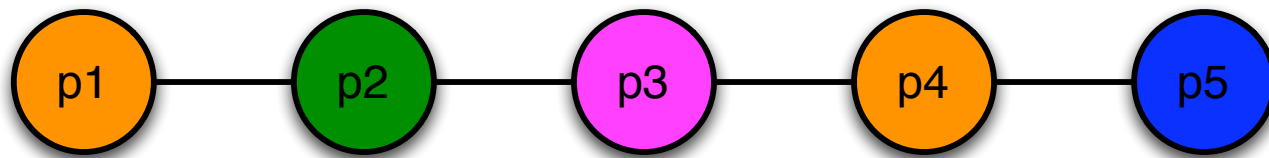
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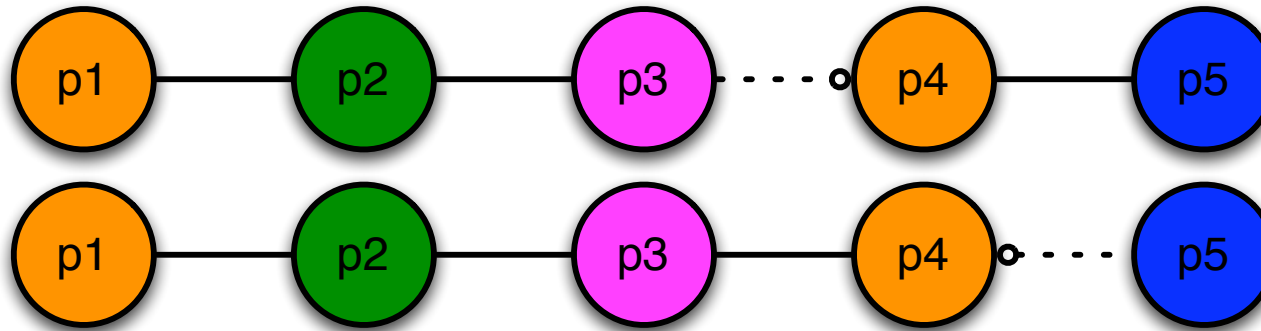
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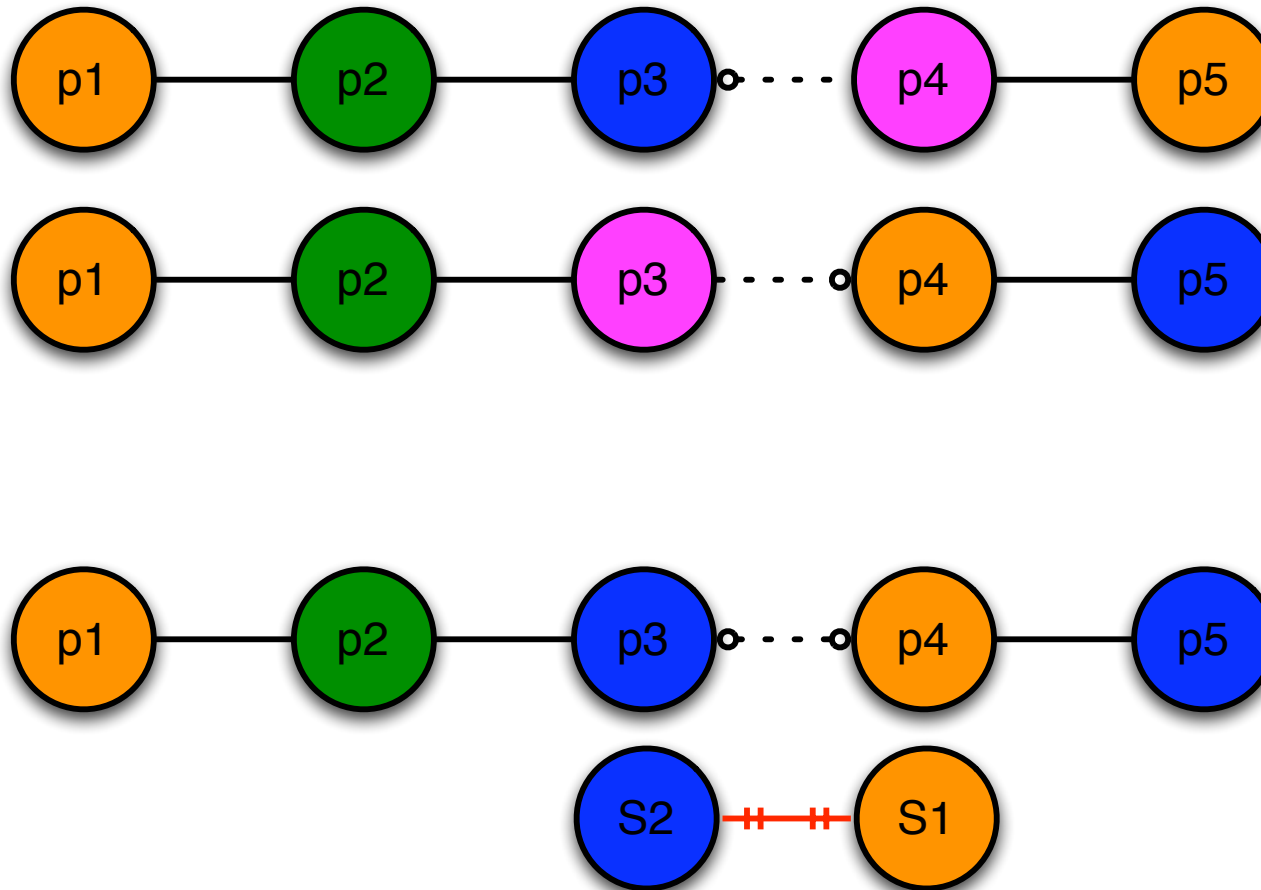
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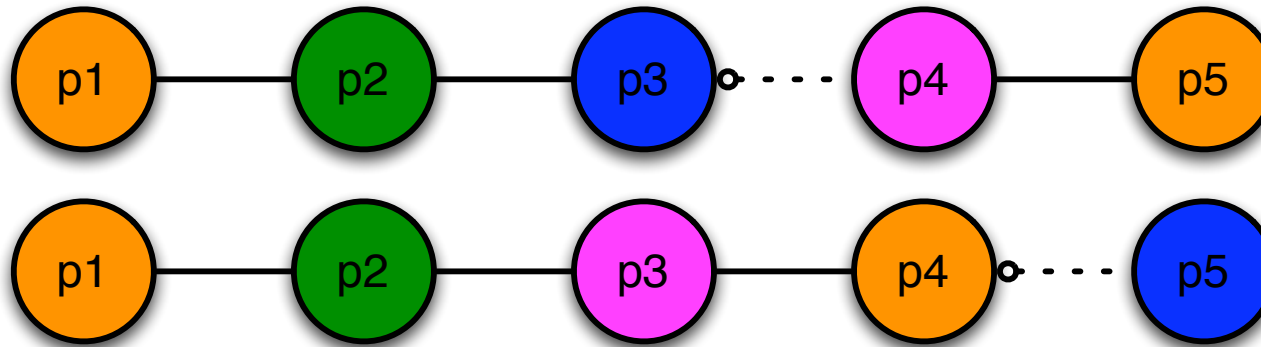
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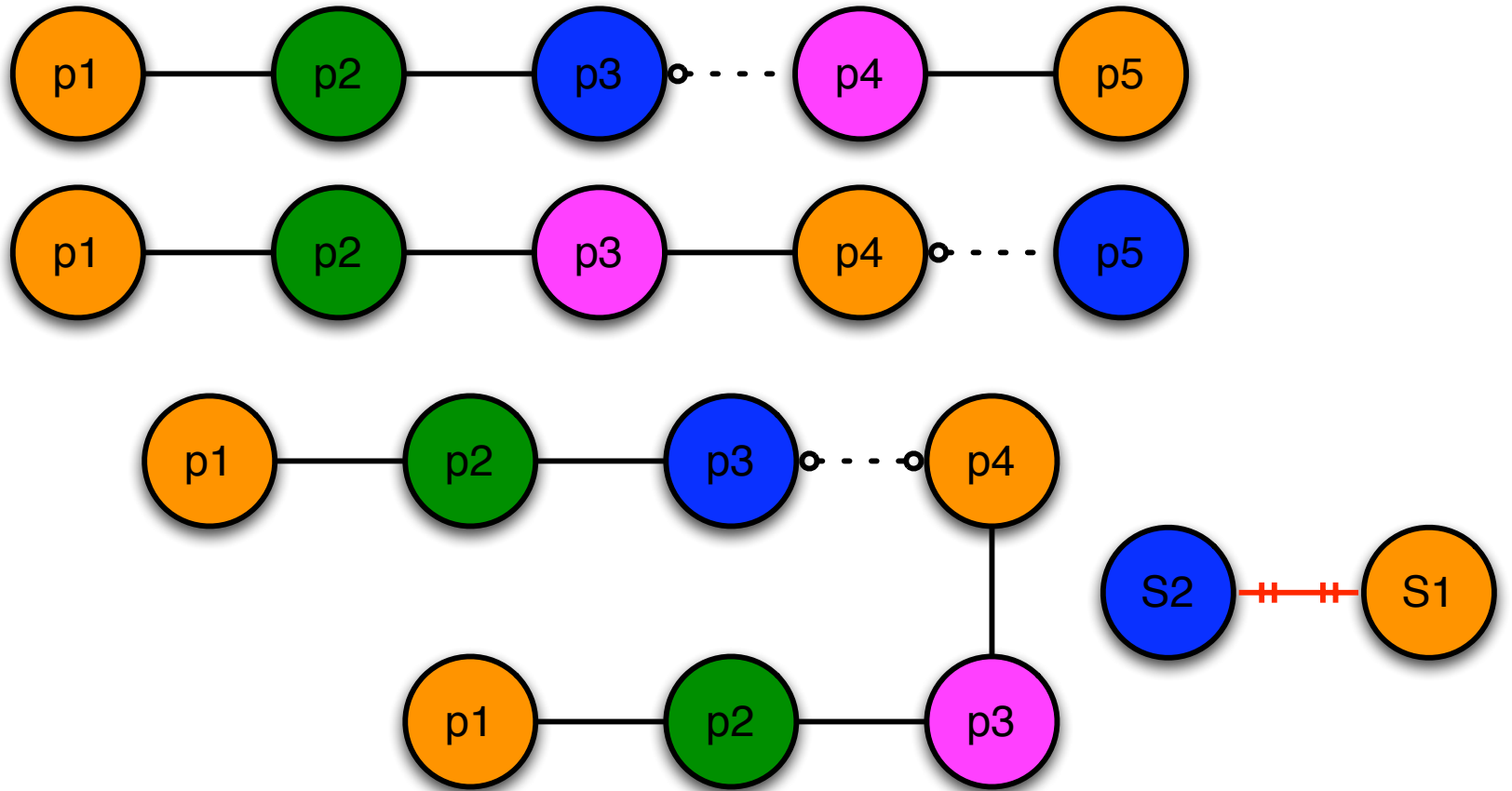
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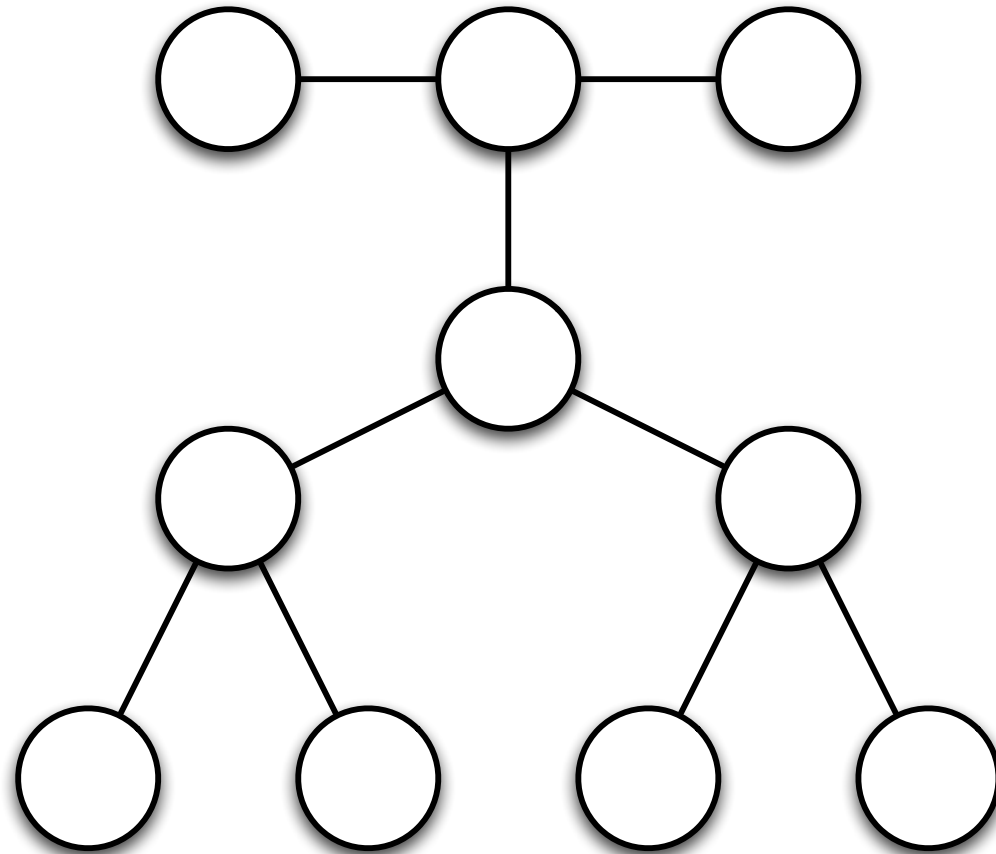
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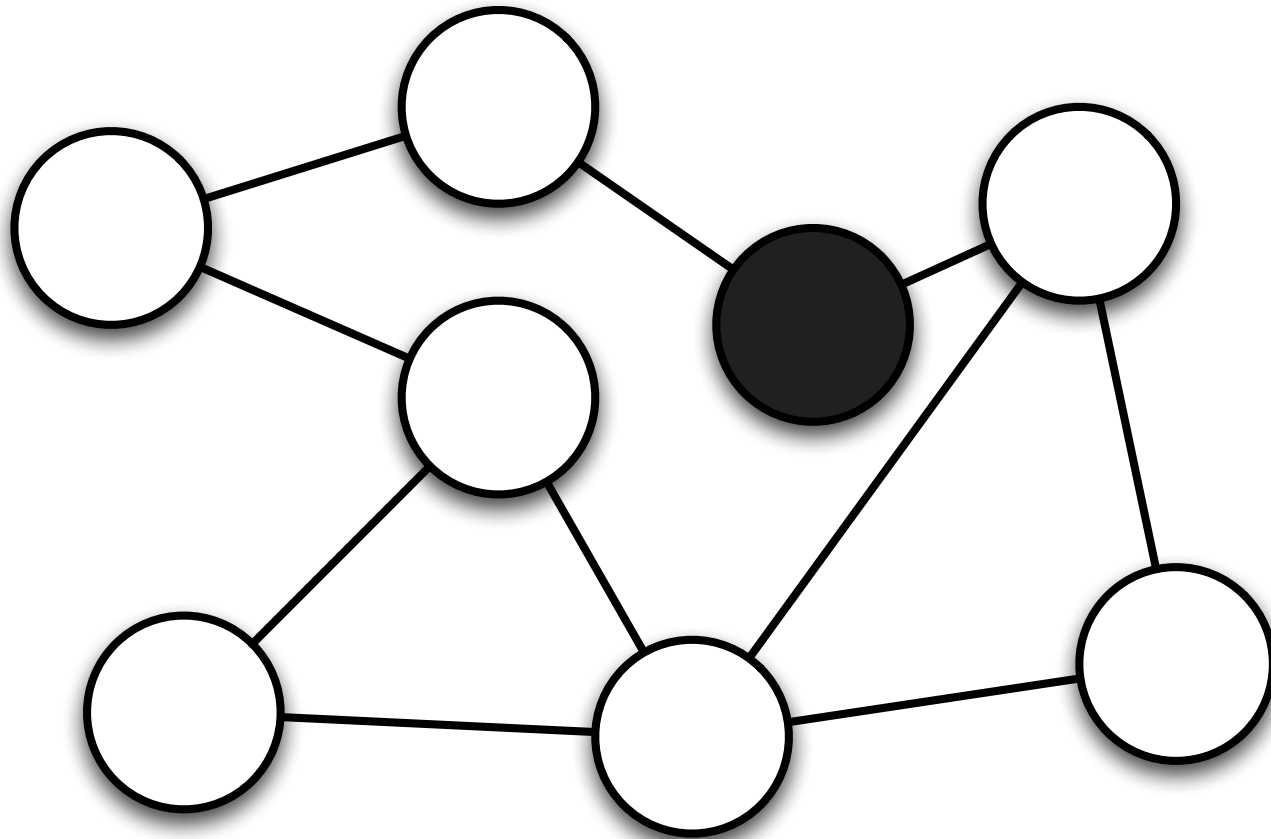
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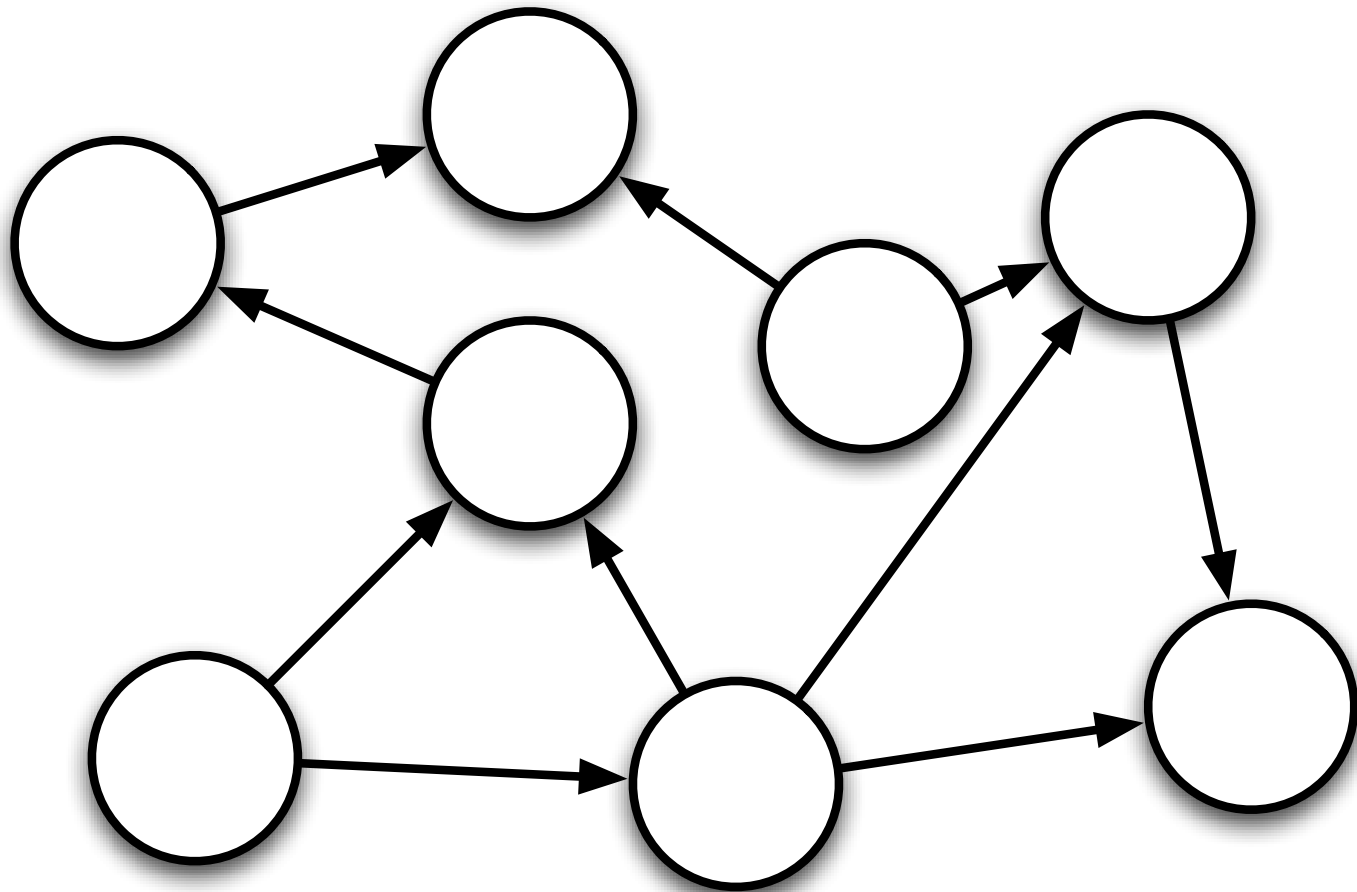
Impossibility II

- **Theorem**
 - There exists **no** k -stable neighbor complete protocol in *rooted and/or DAG-oriented* networks when $\text{degree} > k$

Rooted Networks



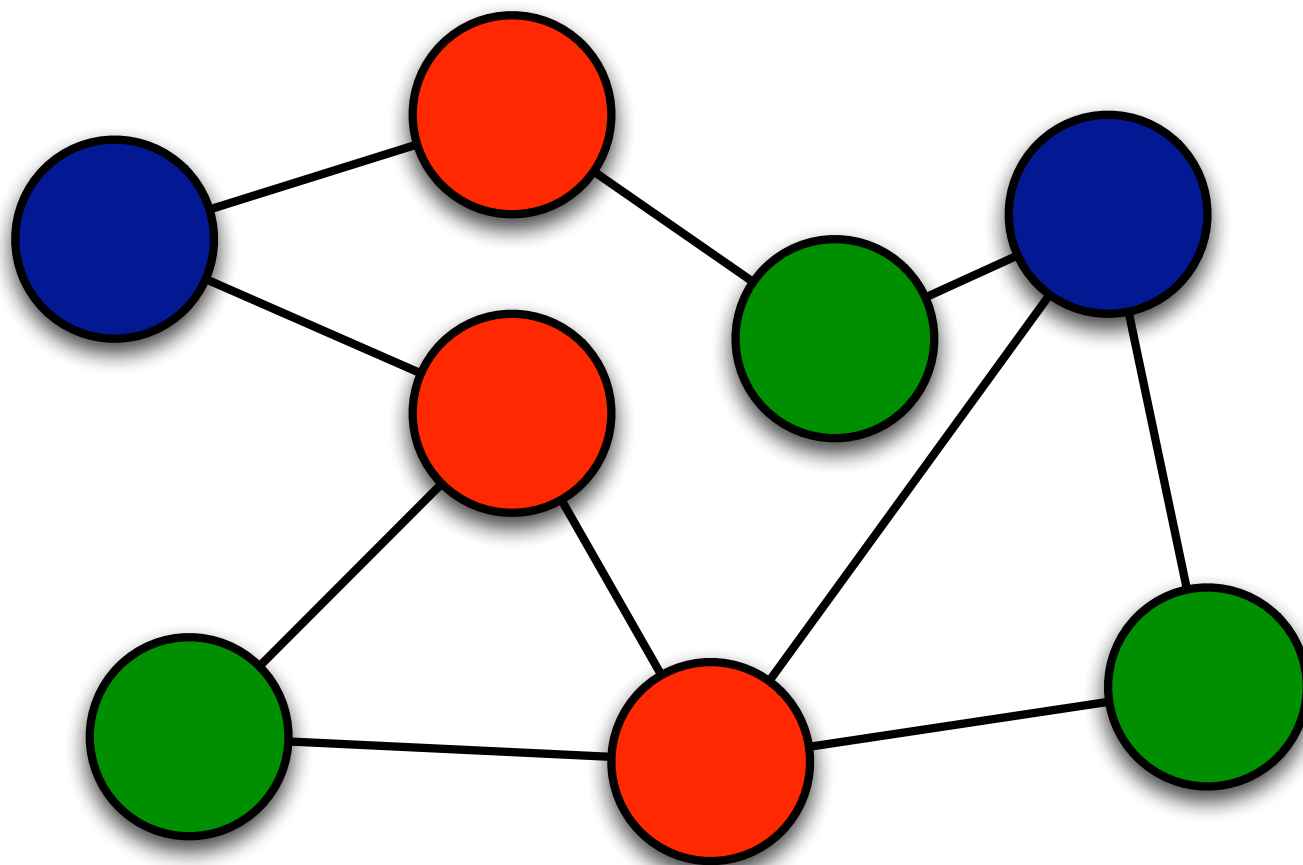
DAG-oriented Networks



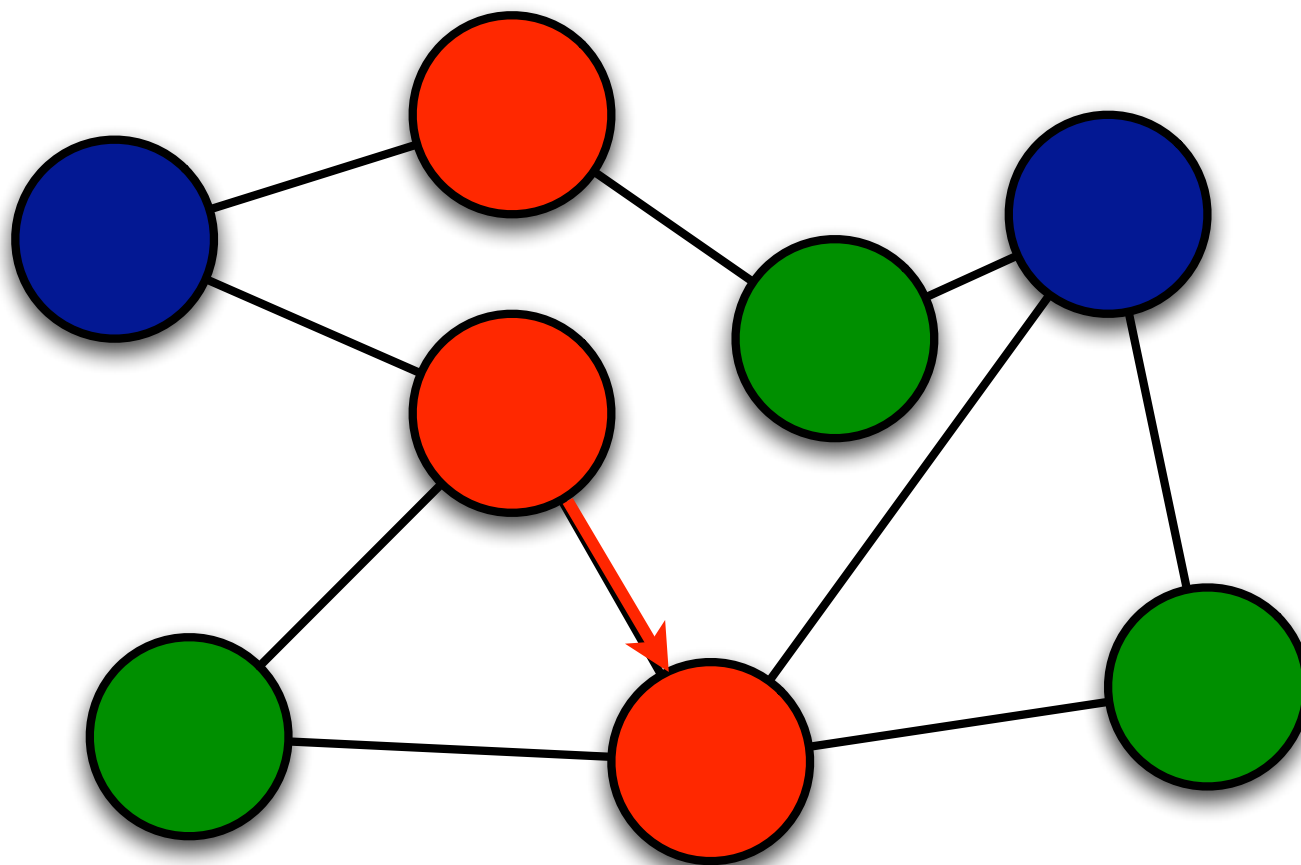
l-efficient Coloring

- Use Round-Robin technique to detect inconsistencies
- Color change may trigger *unknown* conflicts
- *Bernard, Devismes, Potop-Butucaru, Tixeuil, Optimal Deterministic Vertex Coloring in Unidirectional Anonymous Networks. IPDPS 2009.*

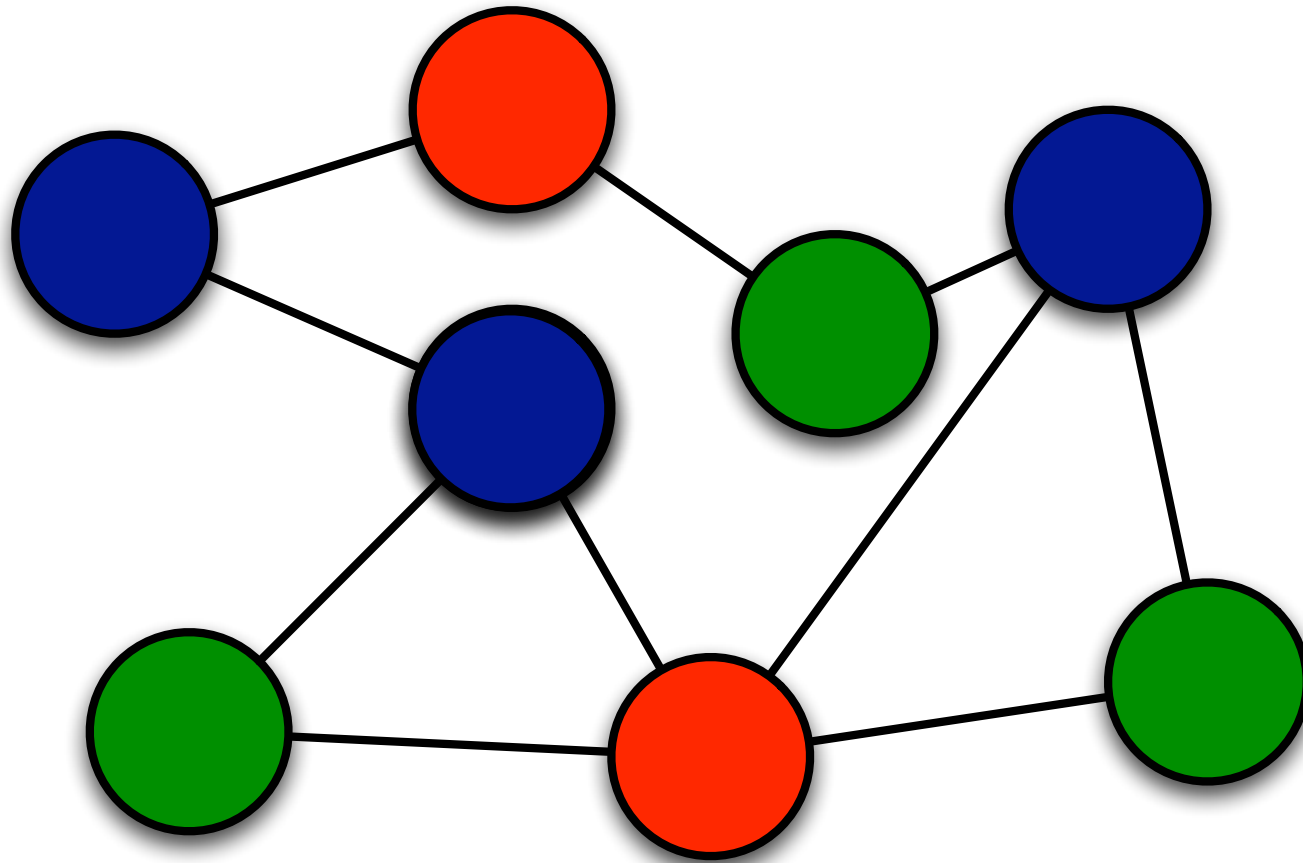
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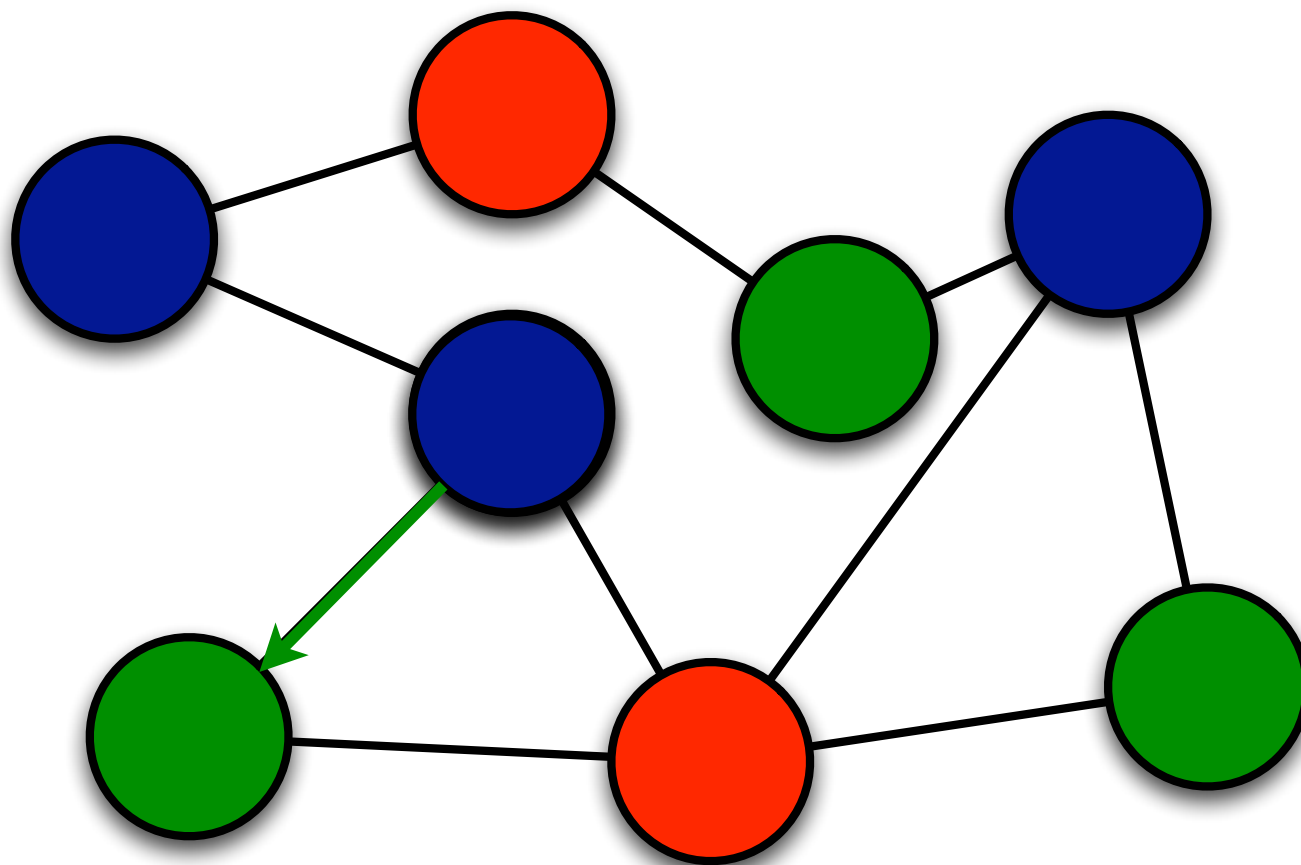
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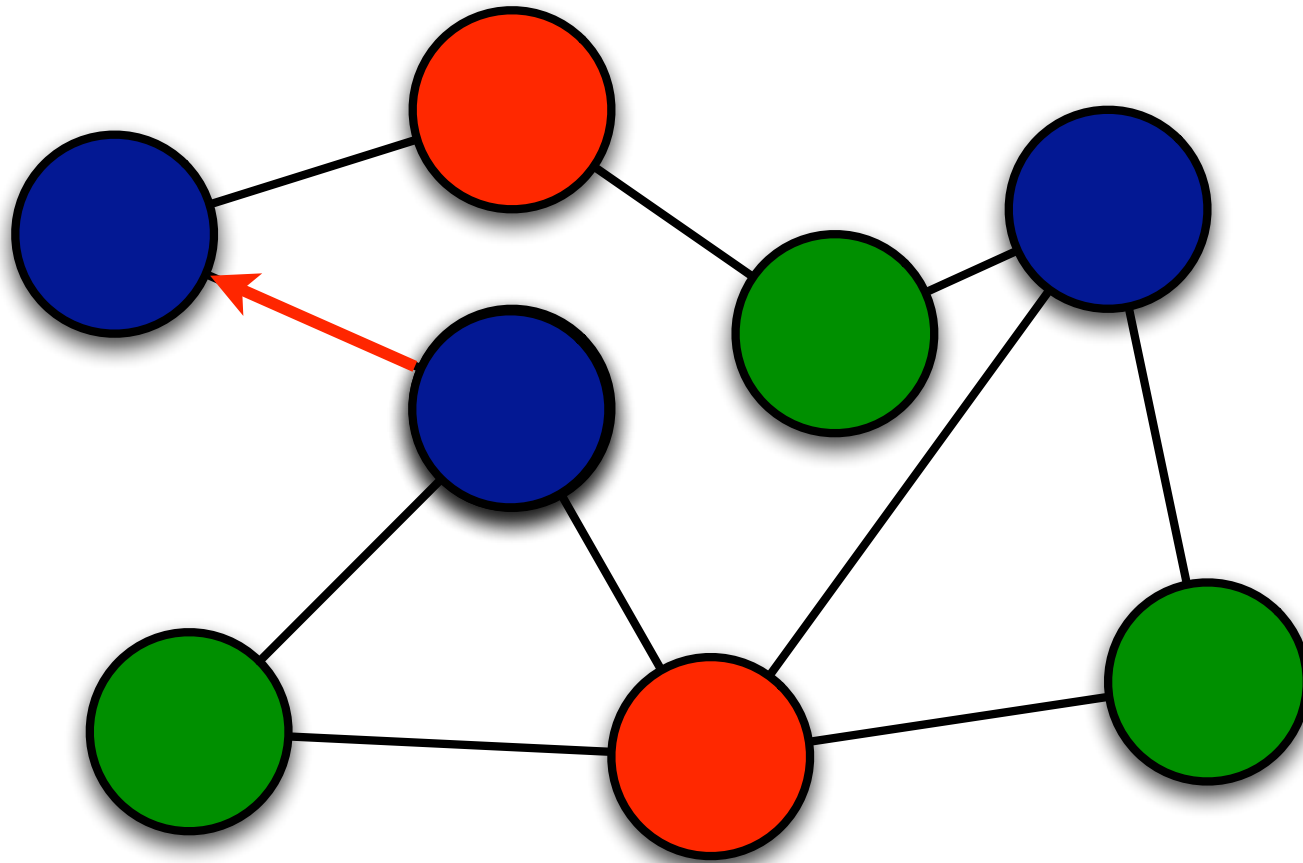
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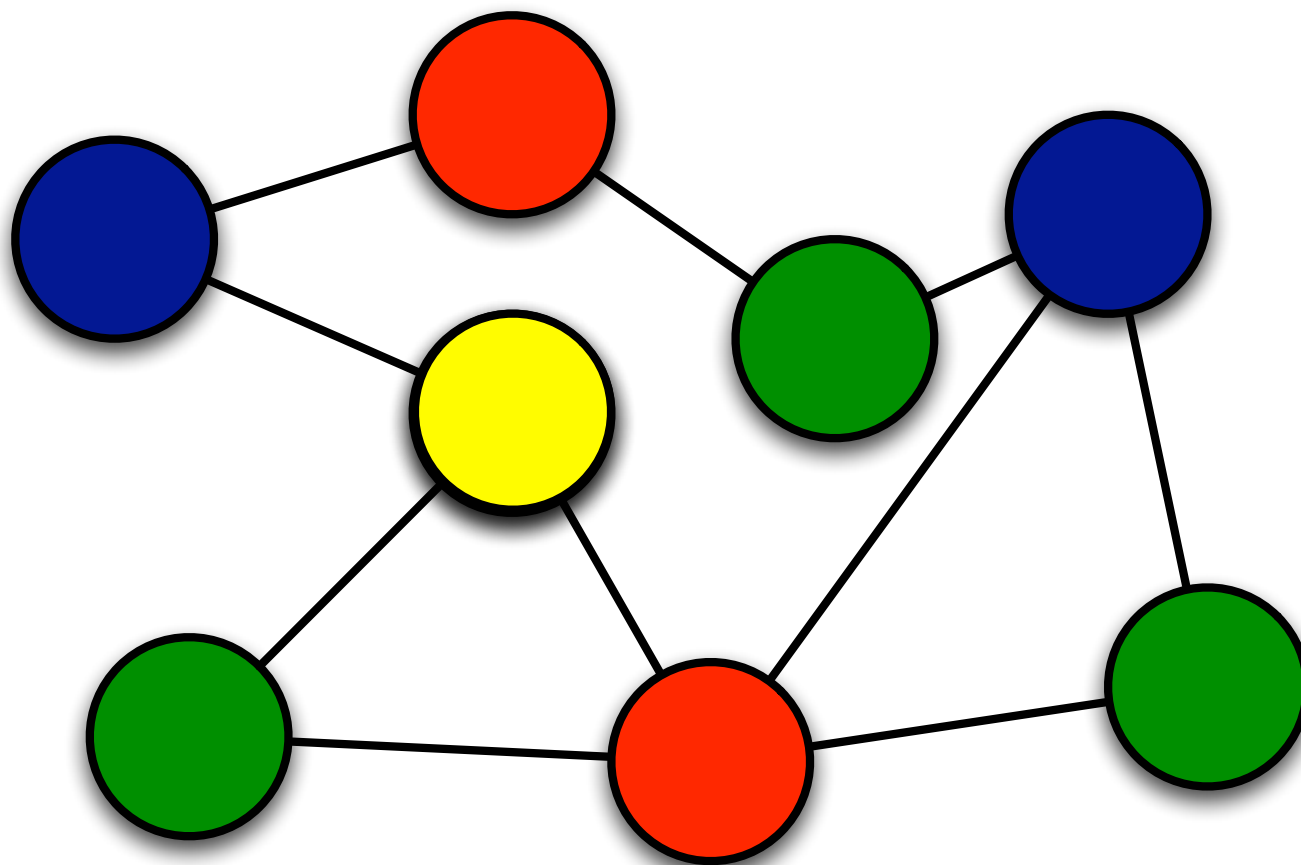
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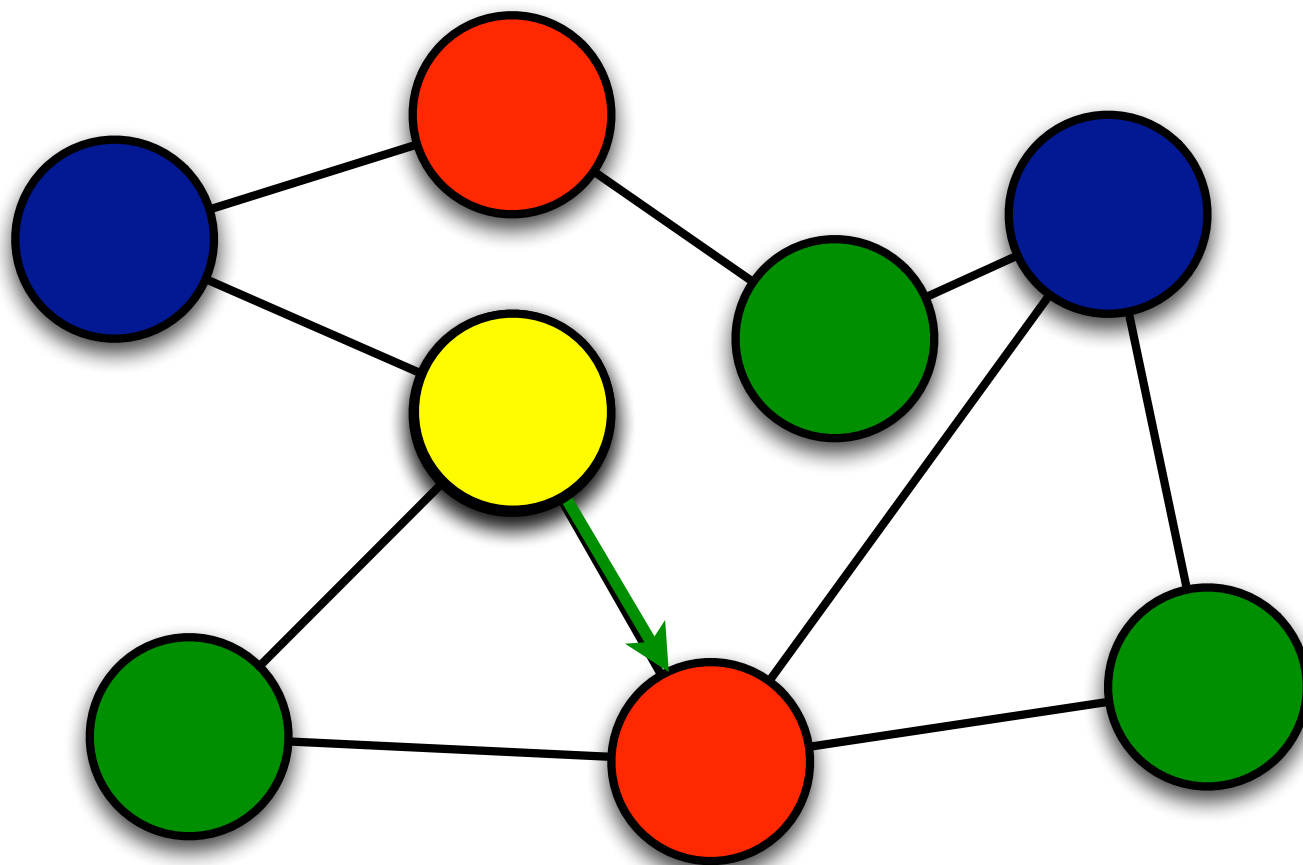
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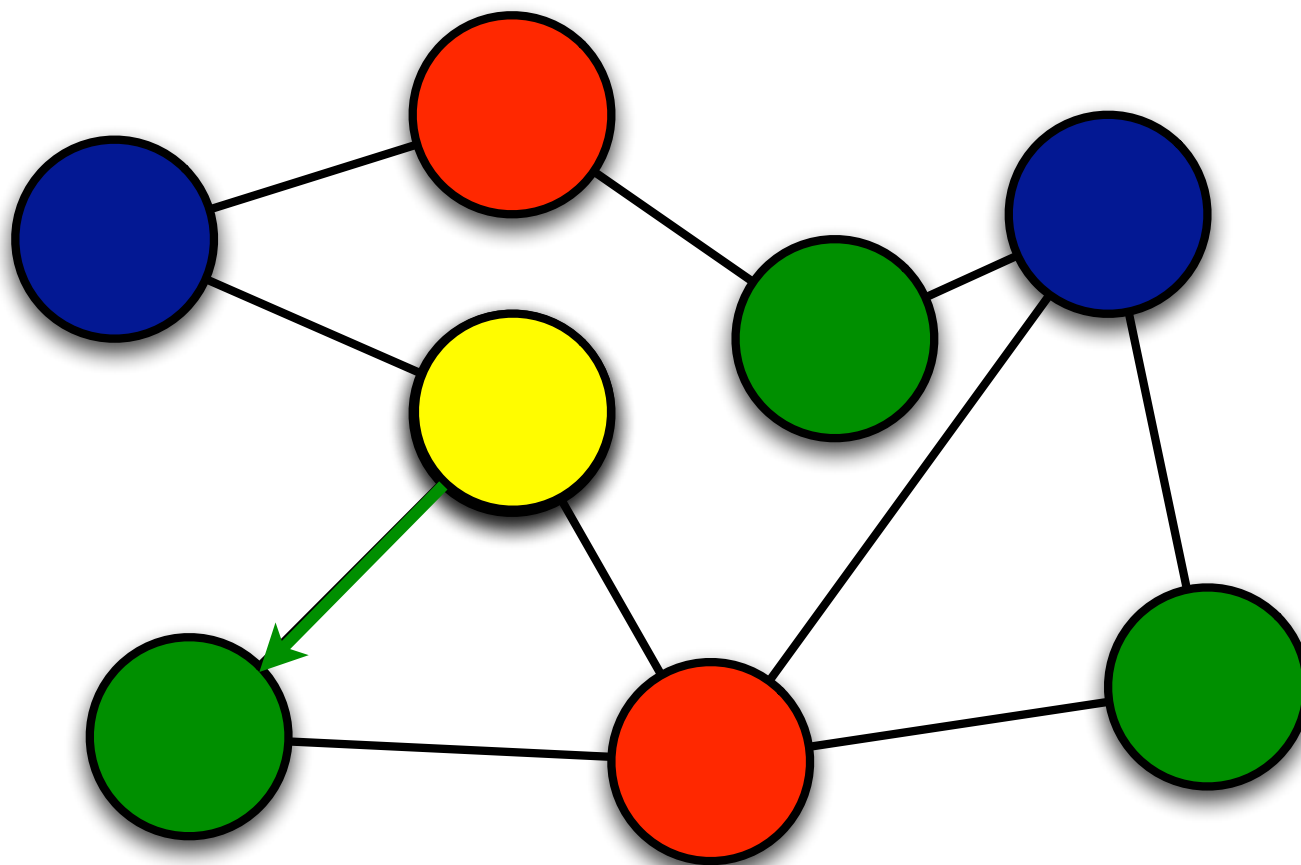
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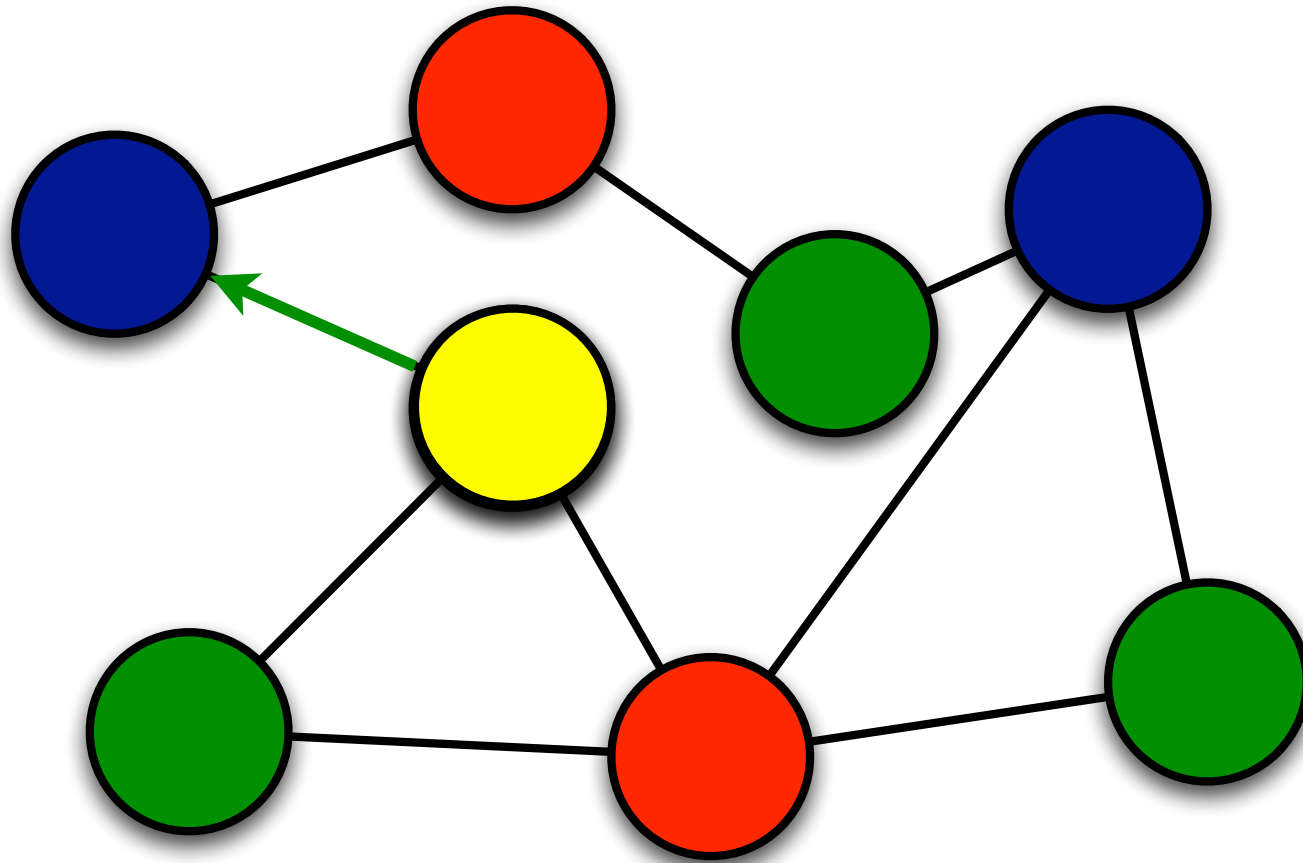
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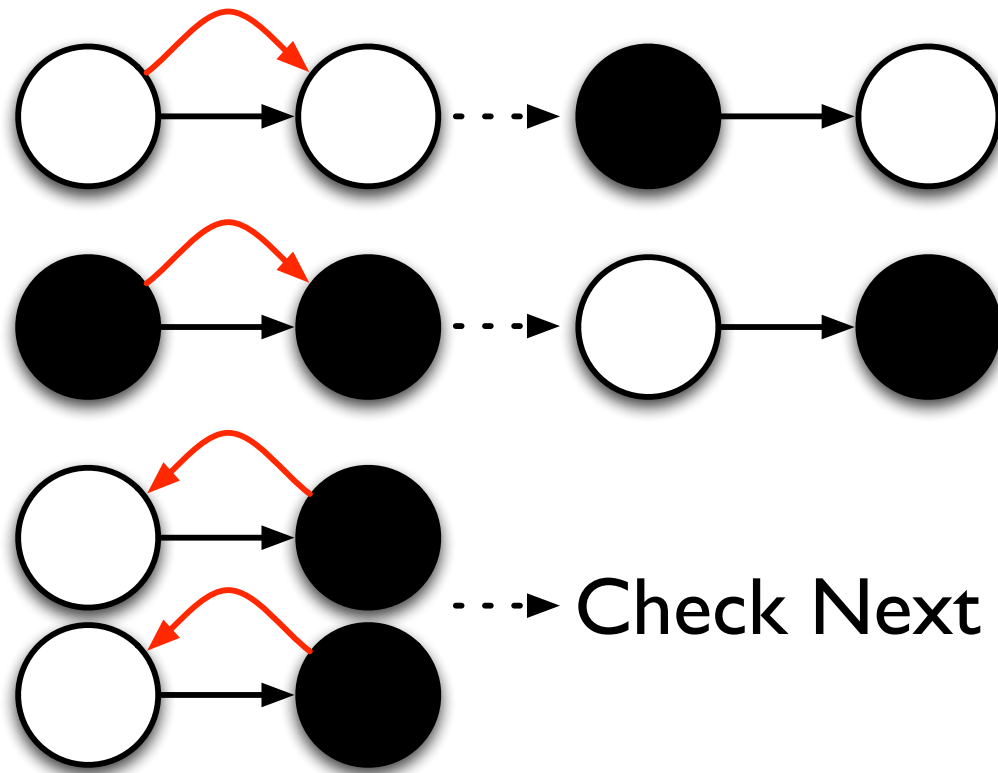
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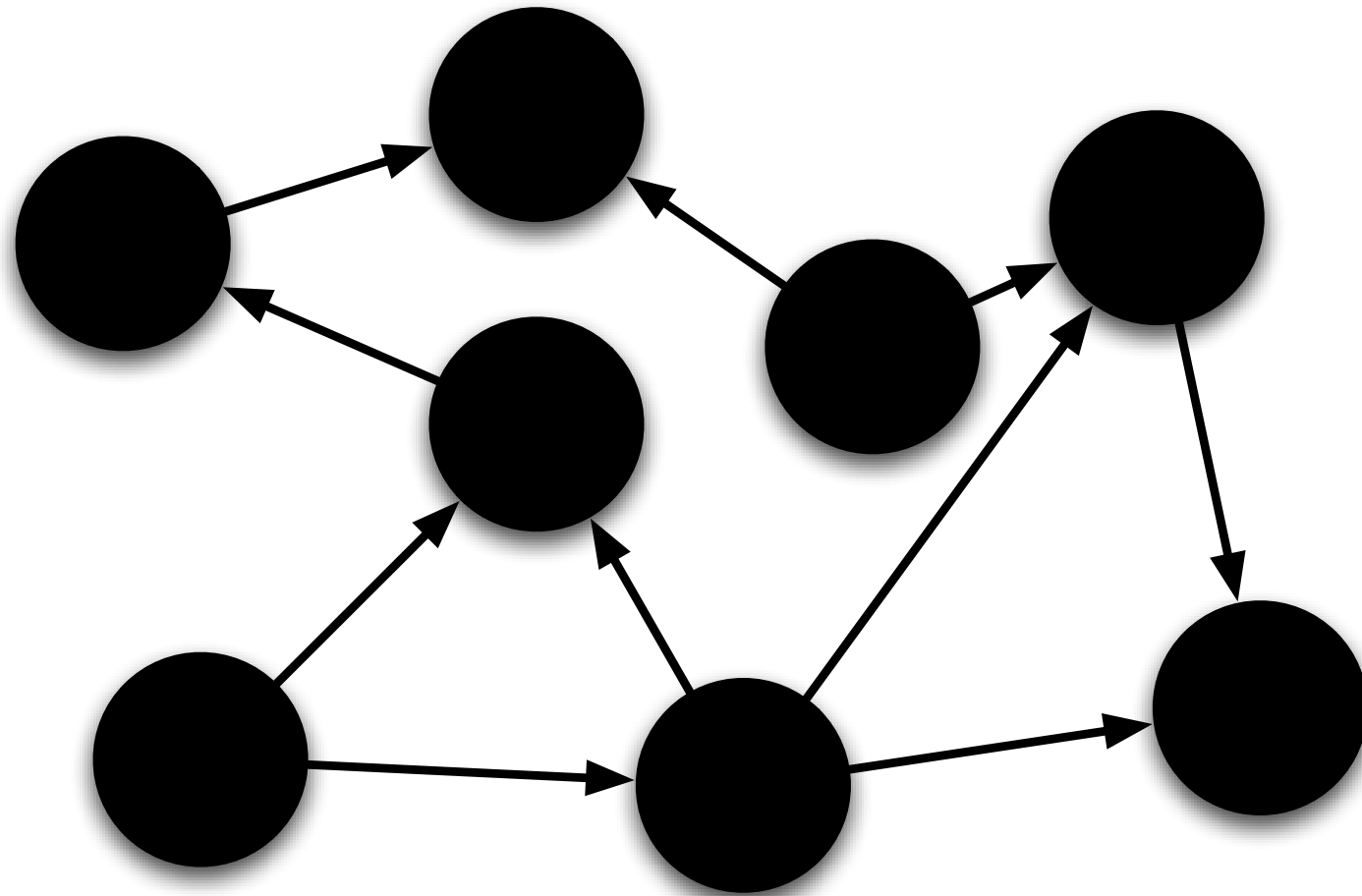
Communication Stability

- **k-stable**
- **eventual k-stable**
- **eventual (x,k)-stable**
 - In every *execution*, at least x nodes *eventually* communicate with at most k *different* neighbors

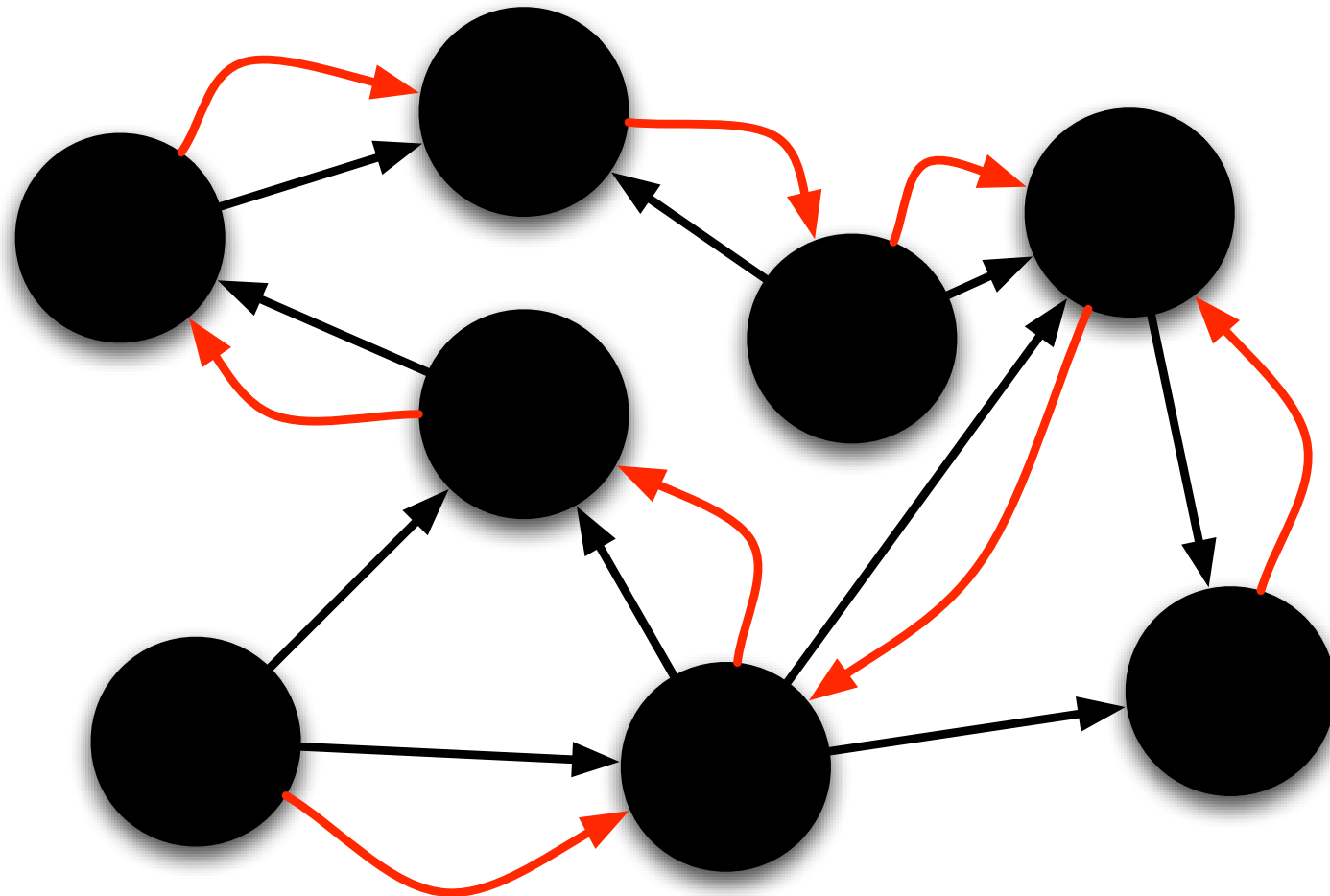
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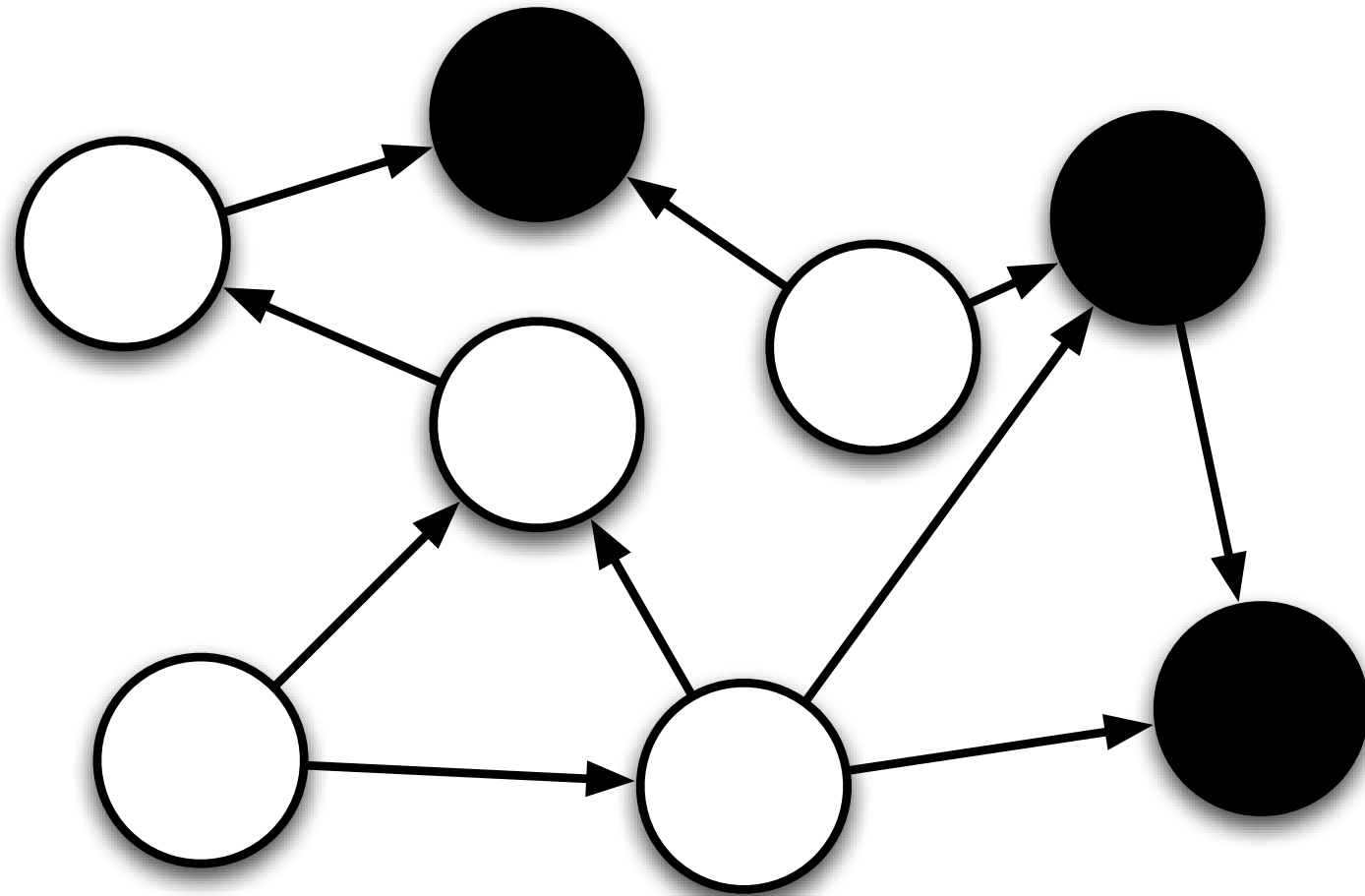
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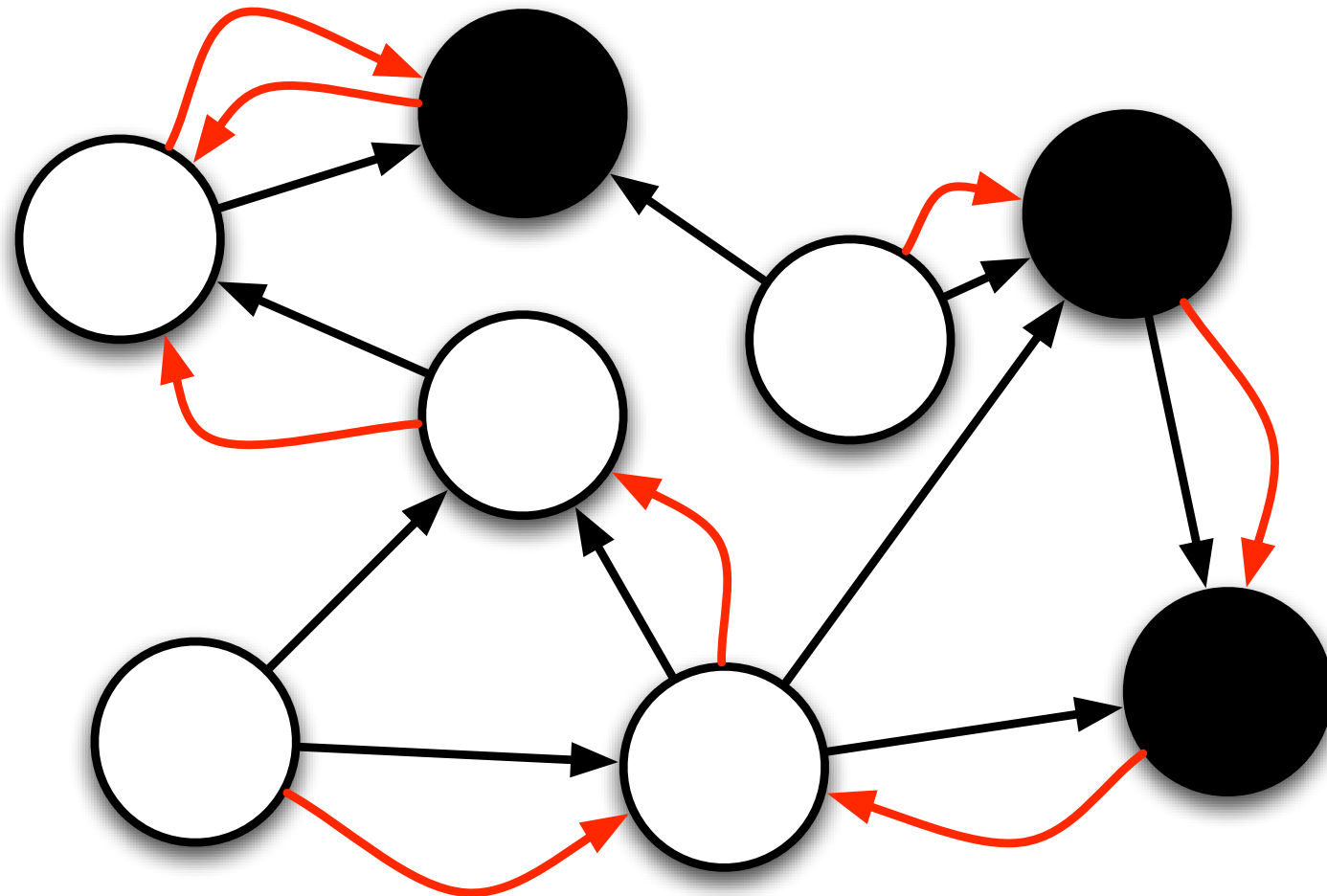
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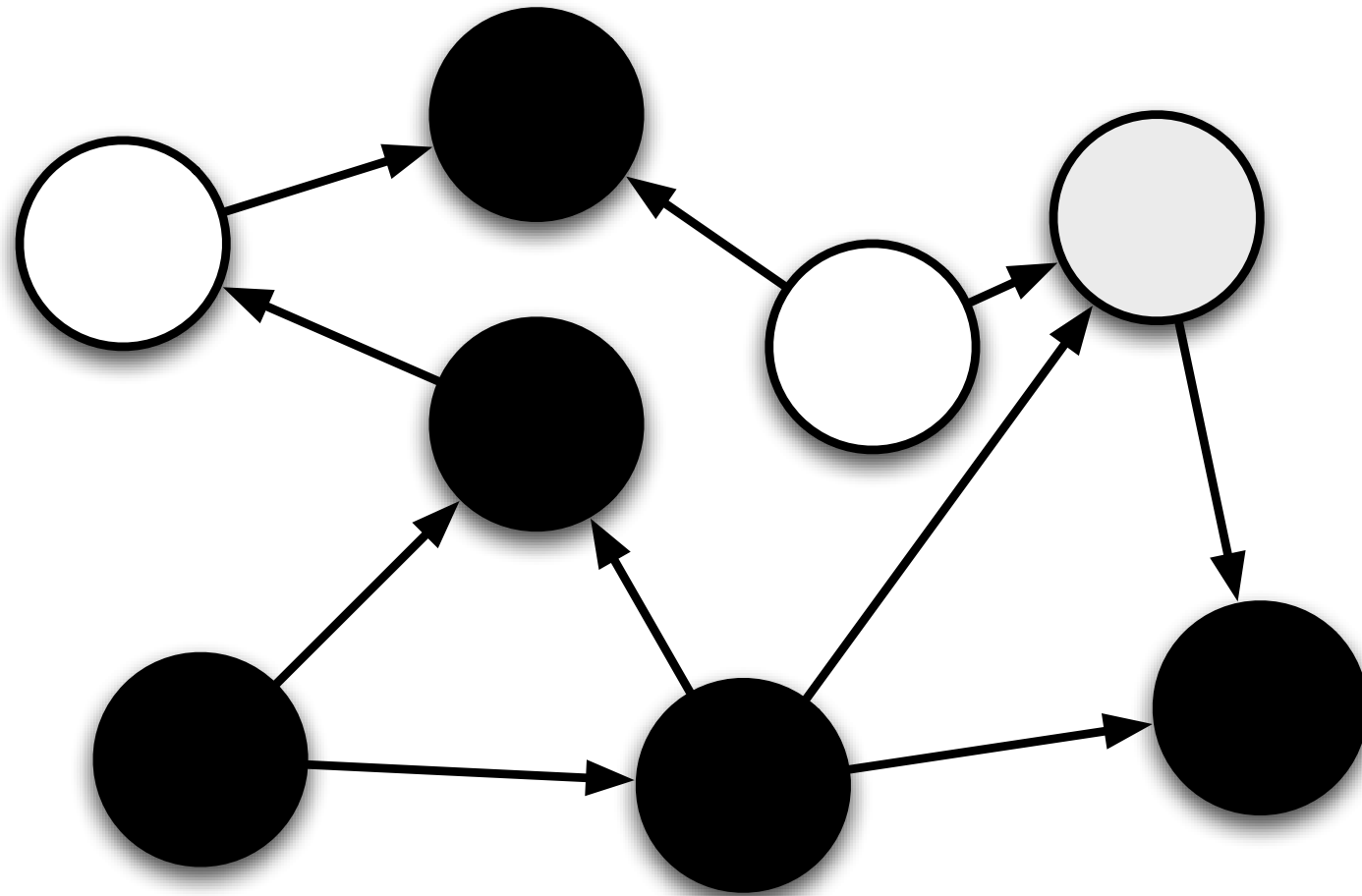
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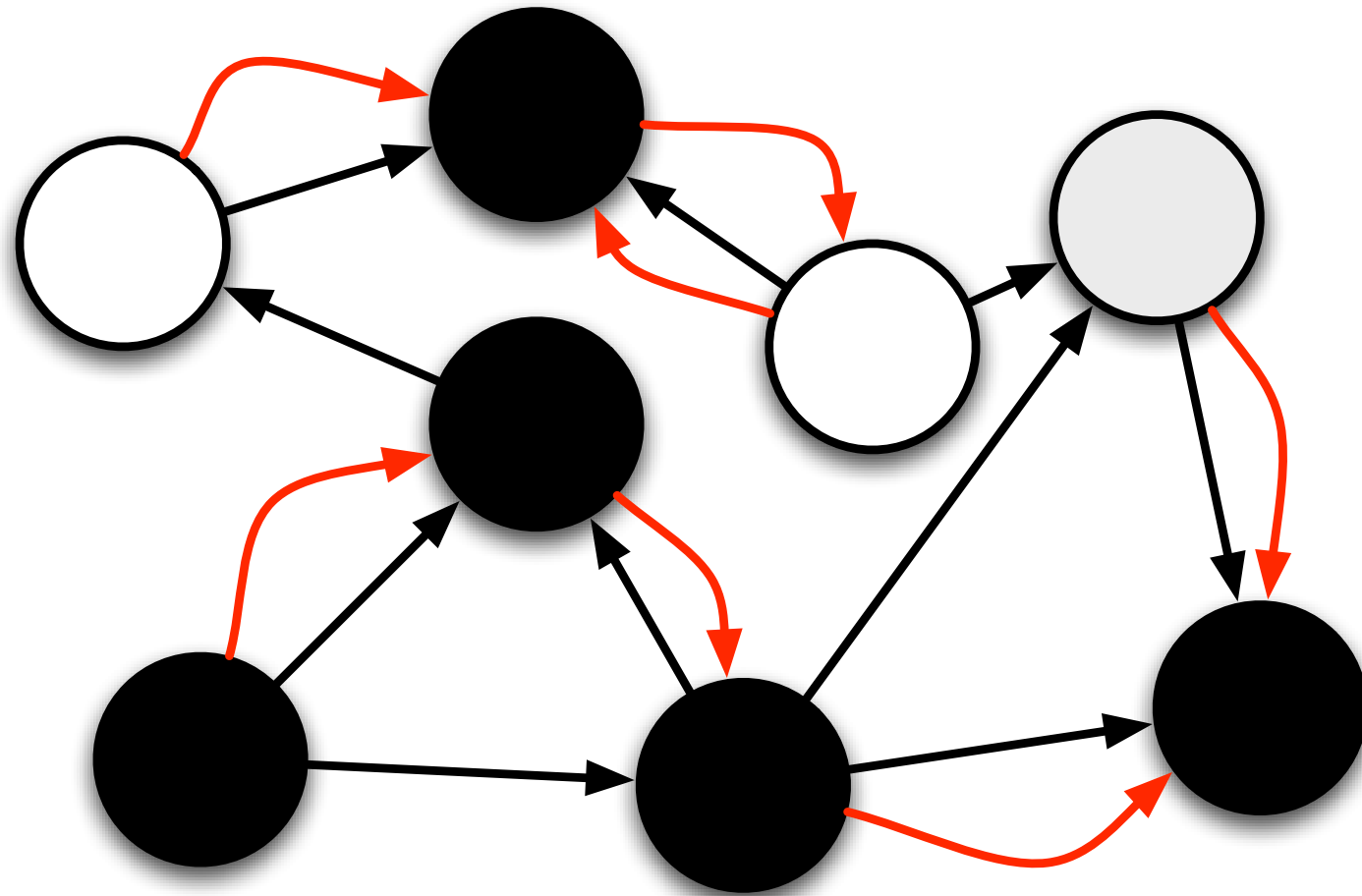
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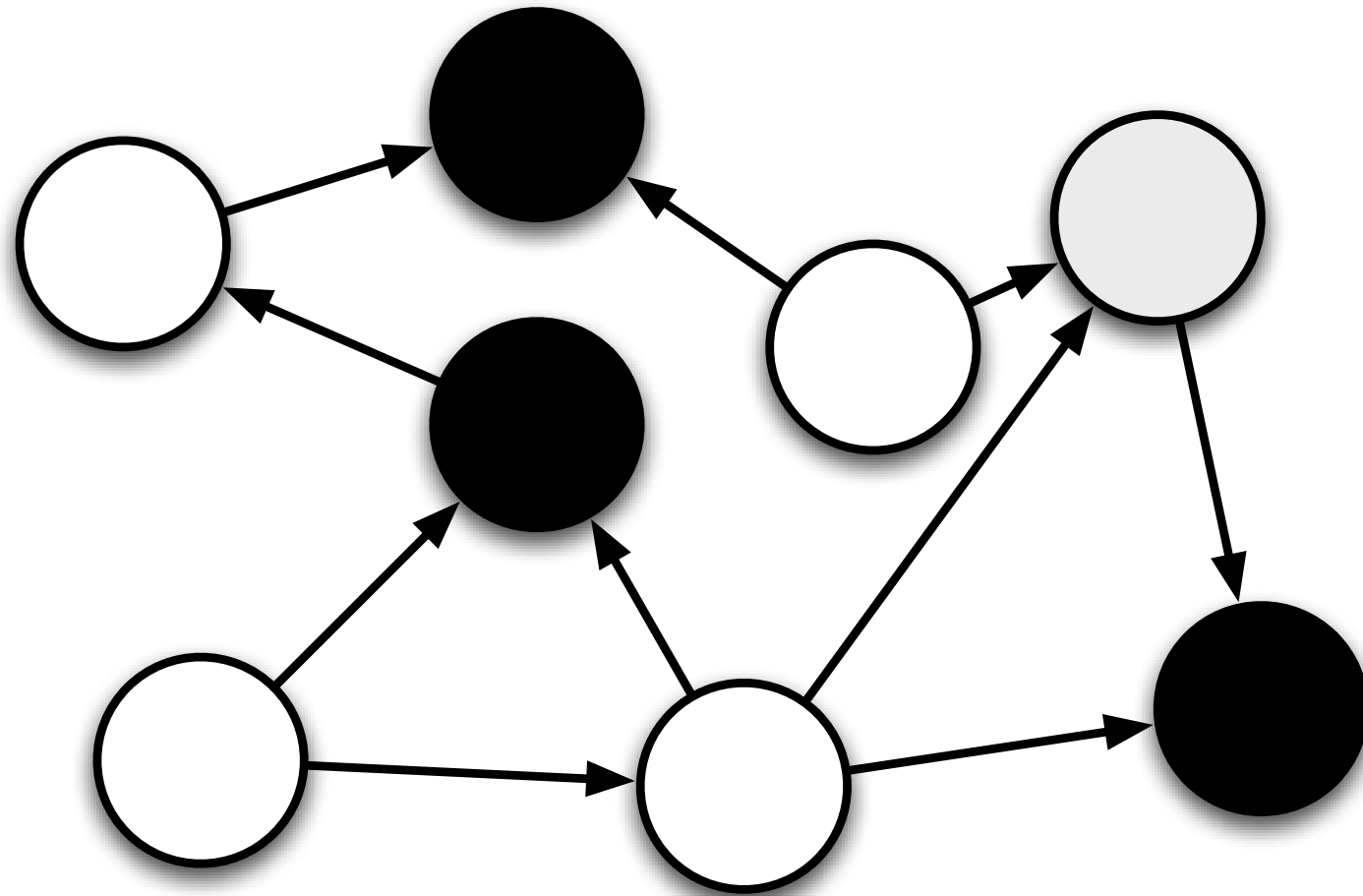
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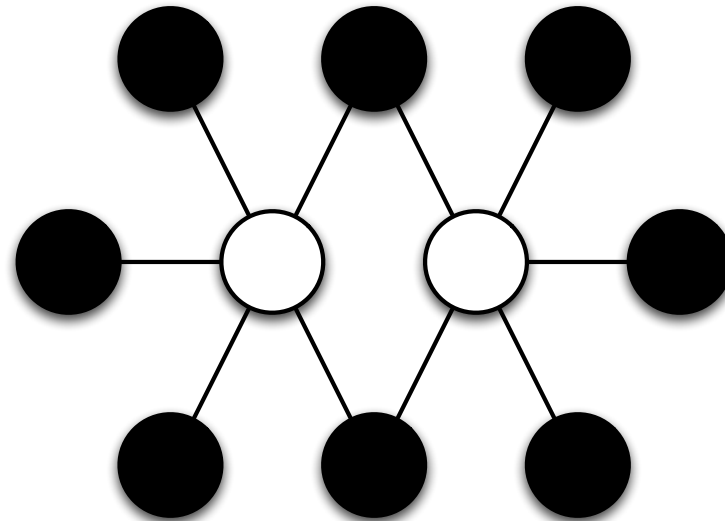
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- **Theorem**

- MIS protocol is l -efficient and eventual $(\lfloor \frac{\mathcal{L} + 1}{2} \rfloor, l)$ stable

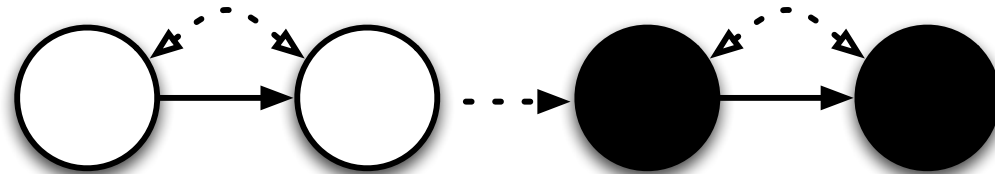


Maximal Matching

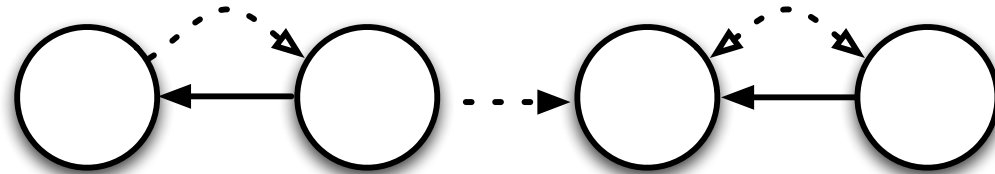
- *Derived from*
 - *Manne, Mjeda, Pilard, Tixeuil, A new self-stabilizing Maximal Matching Algorithm, Sirocco 2007*
- *Main difference: **Stay Focused***
 - Interact with a single neighbor at a time

Maximal Matching

- Don't lie about your marital status

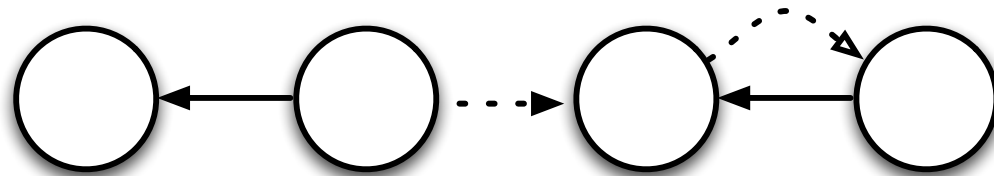


- Don't be picky

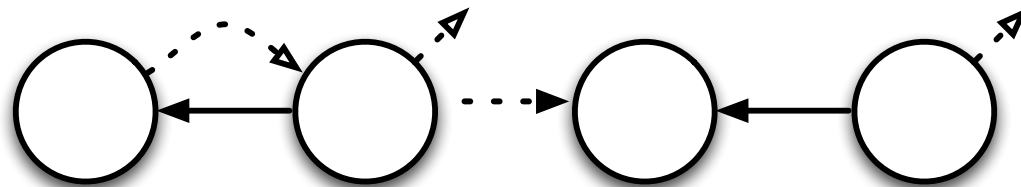


Maximal Matching

- Expect the best

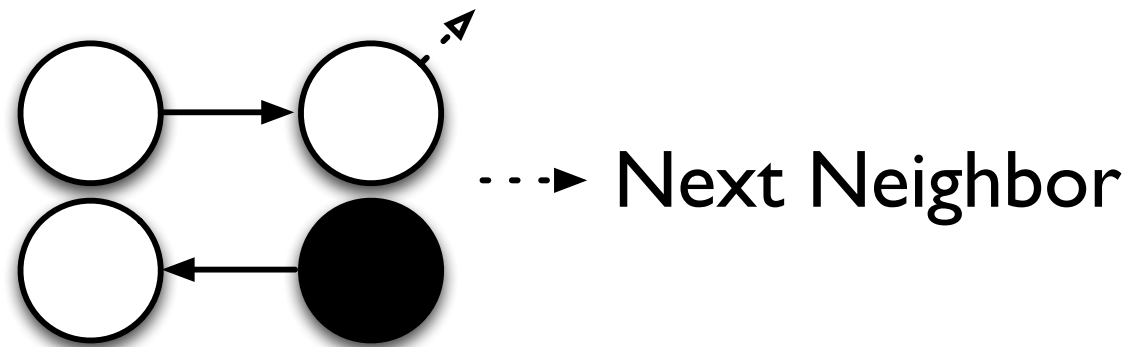


- Accept the worst

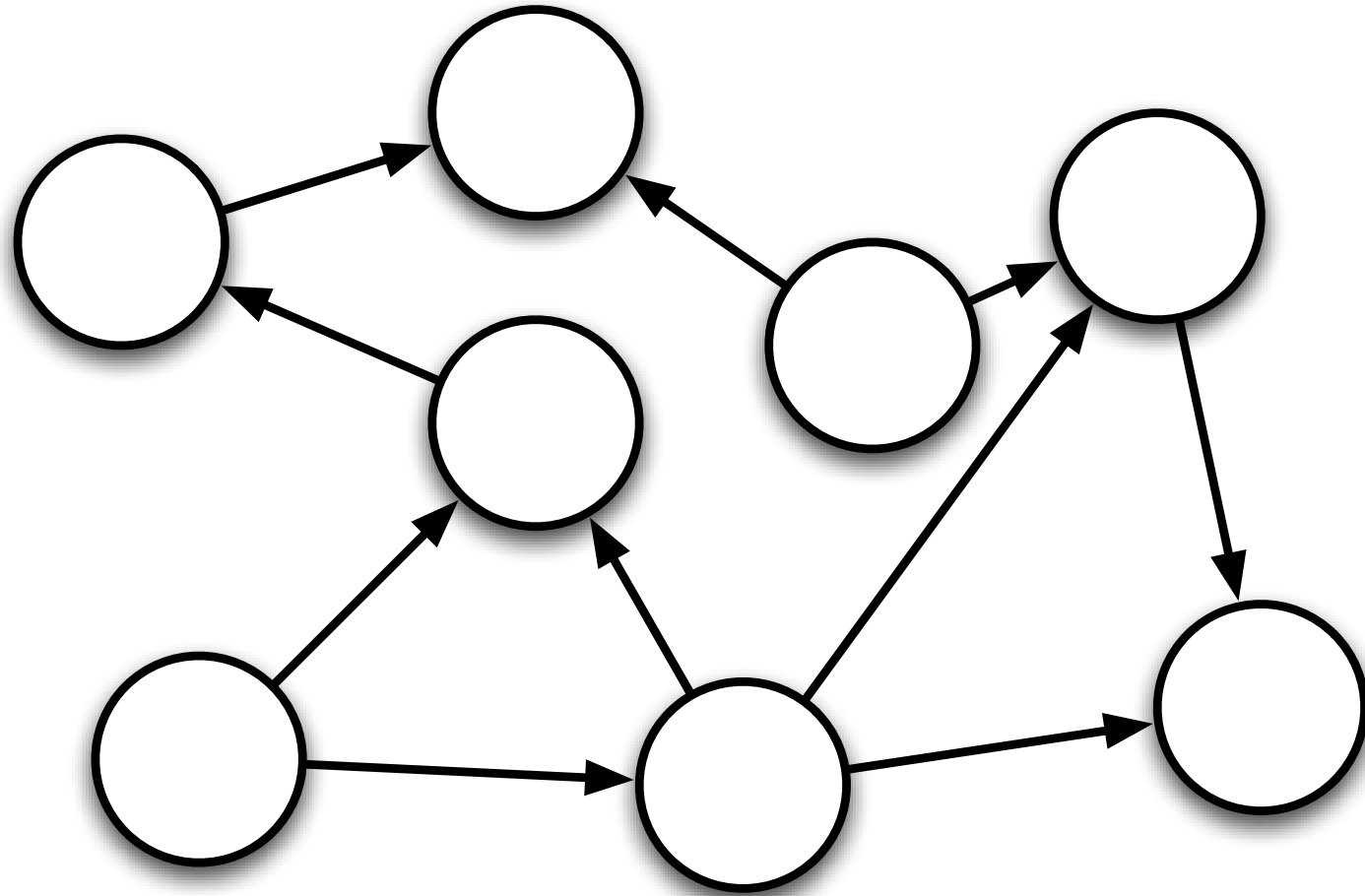


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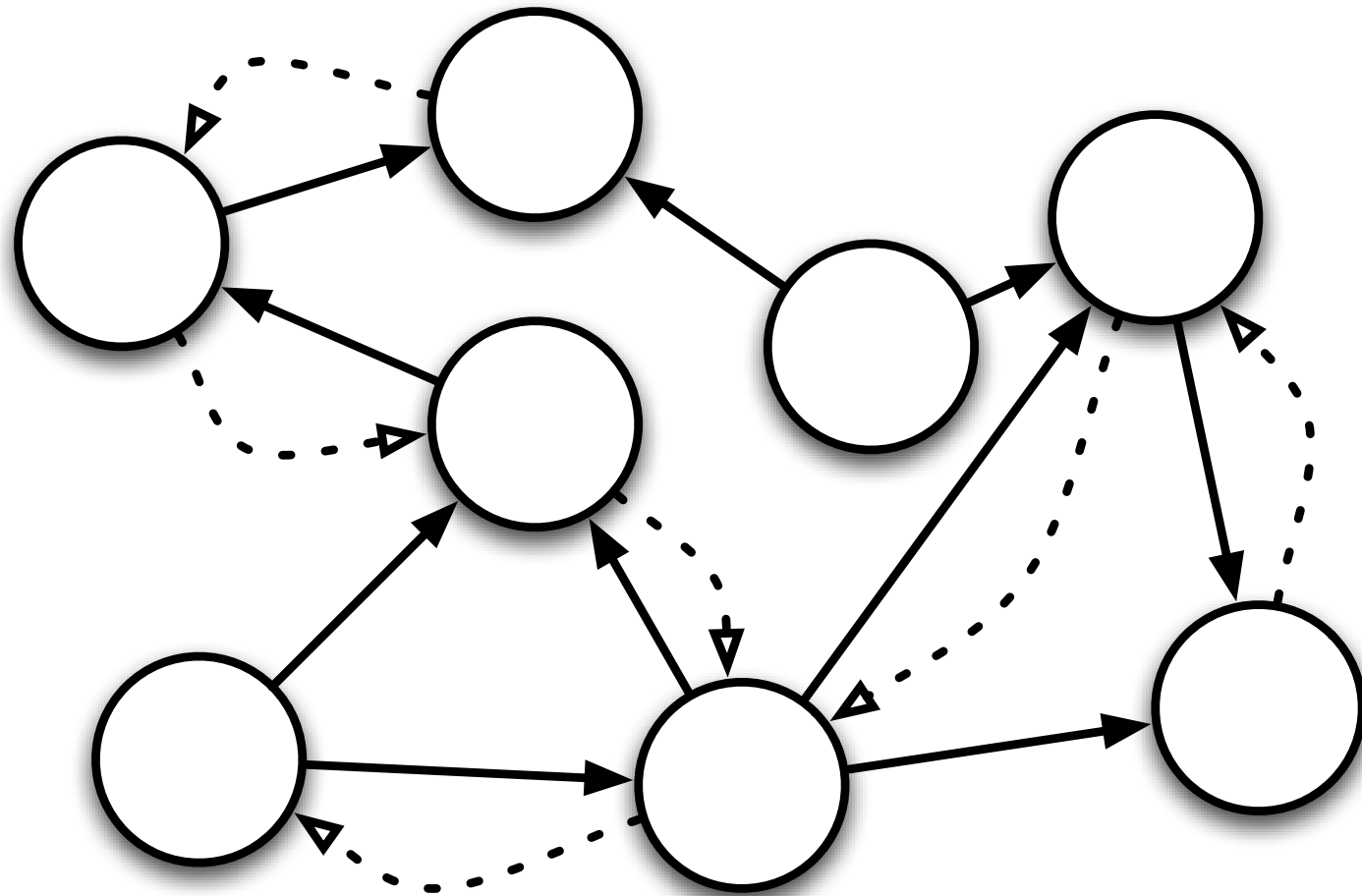
- Keep looking



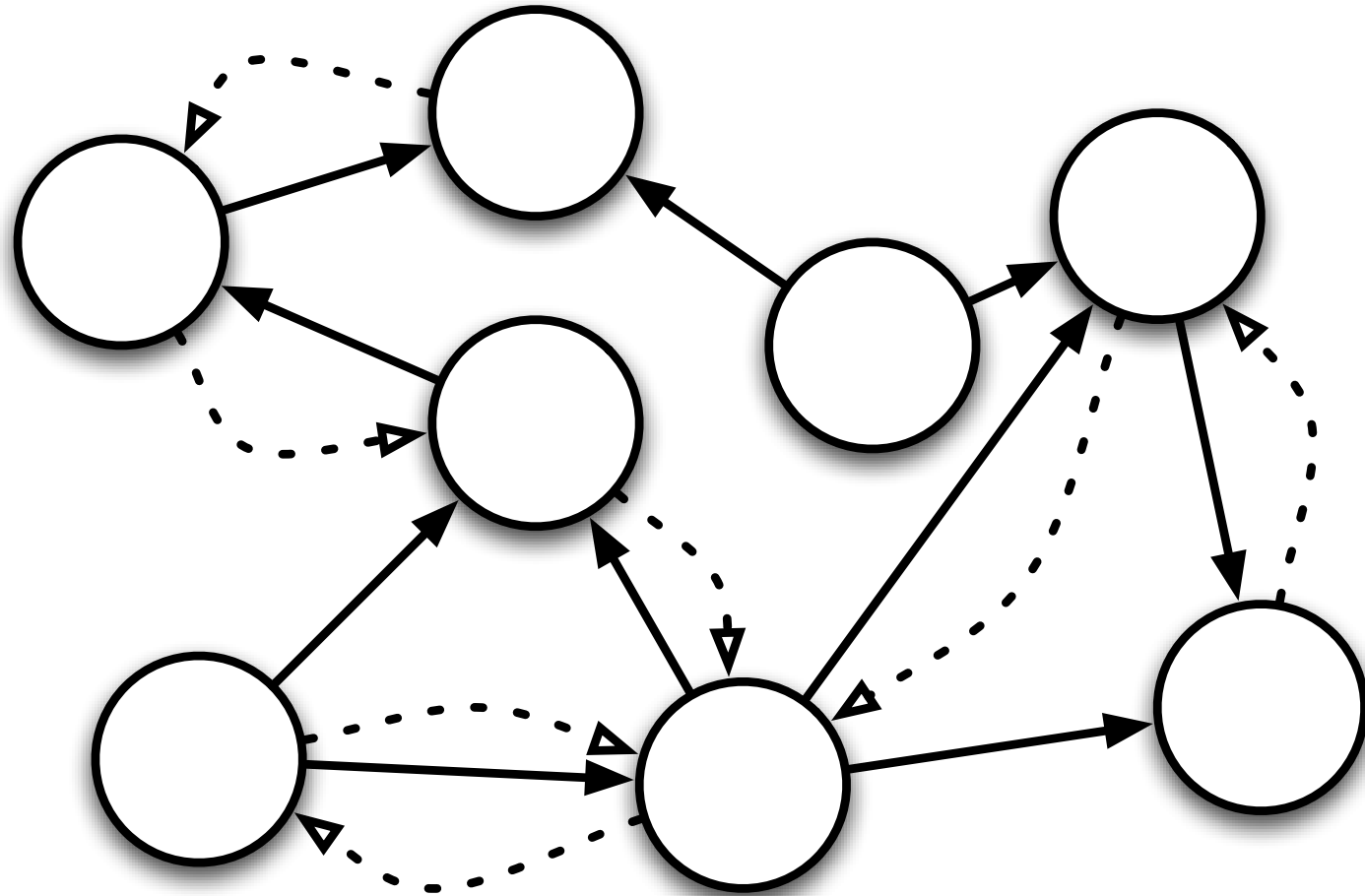
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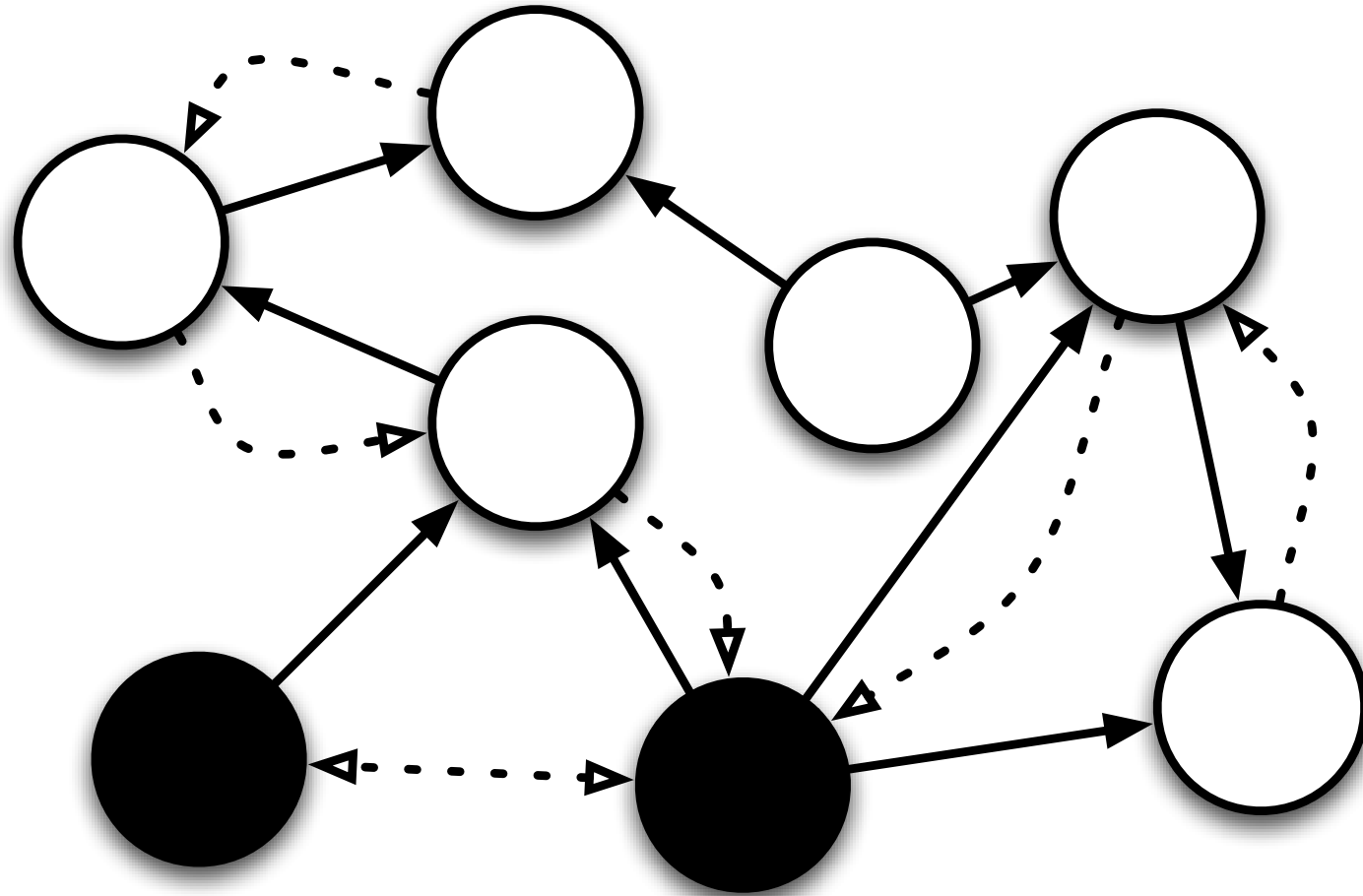
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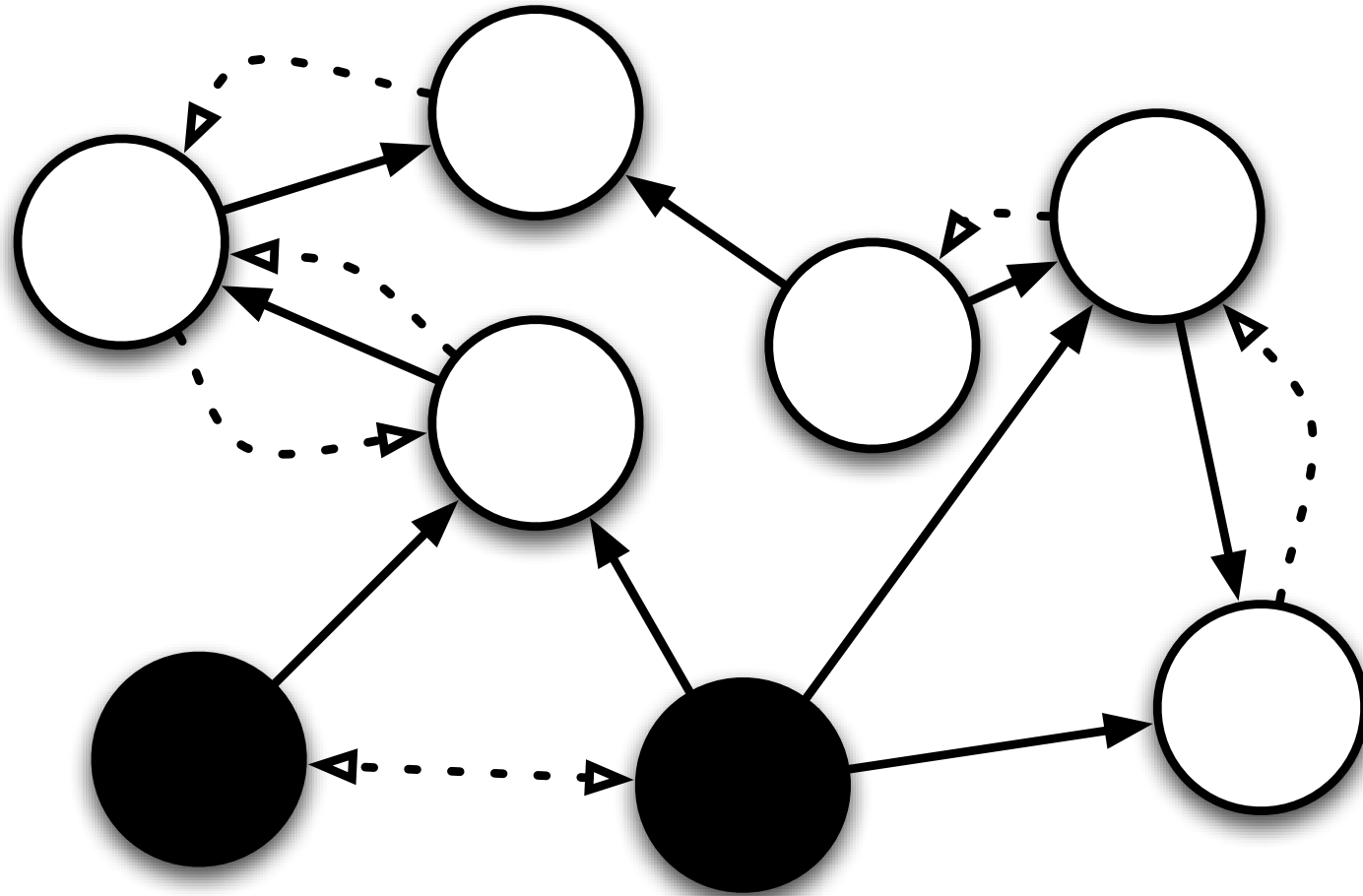
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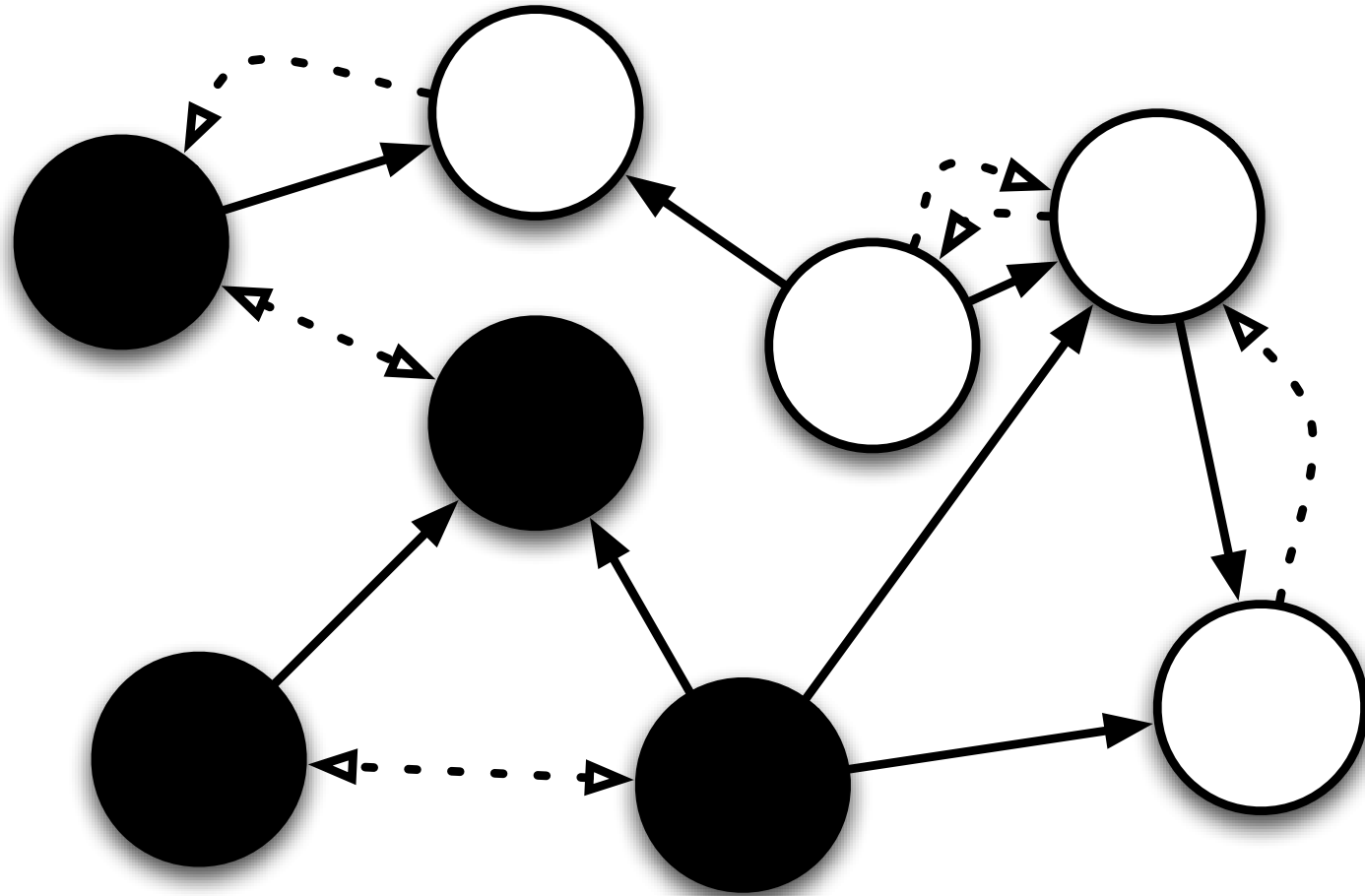
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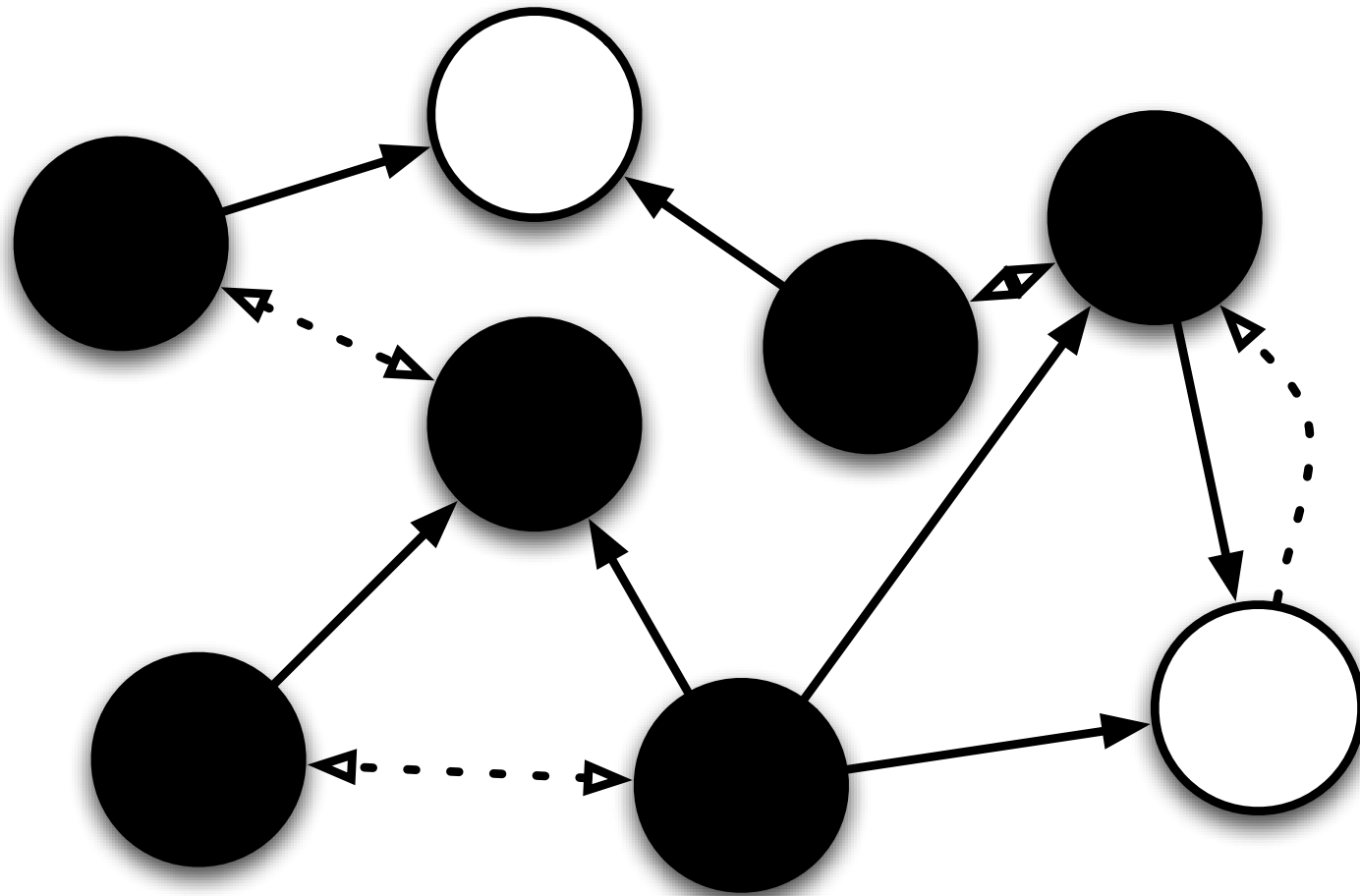
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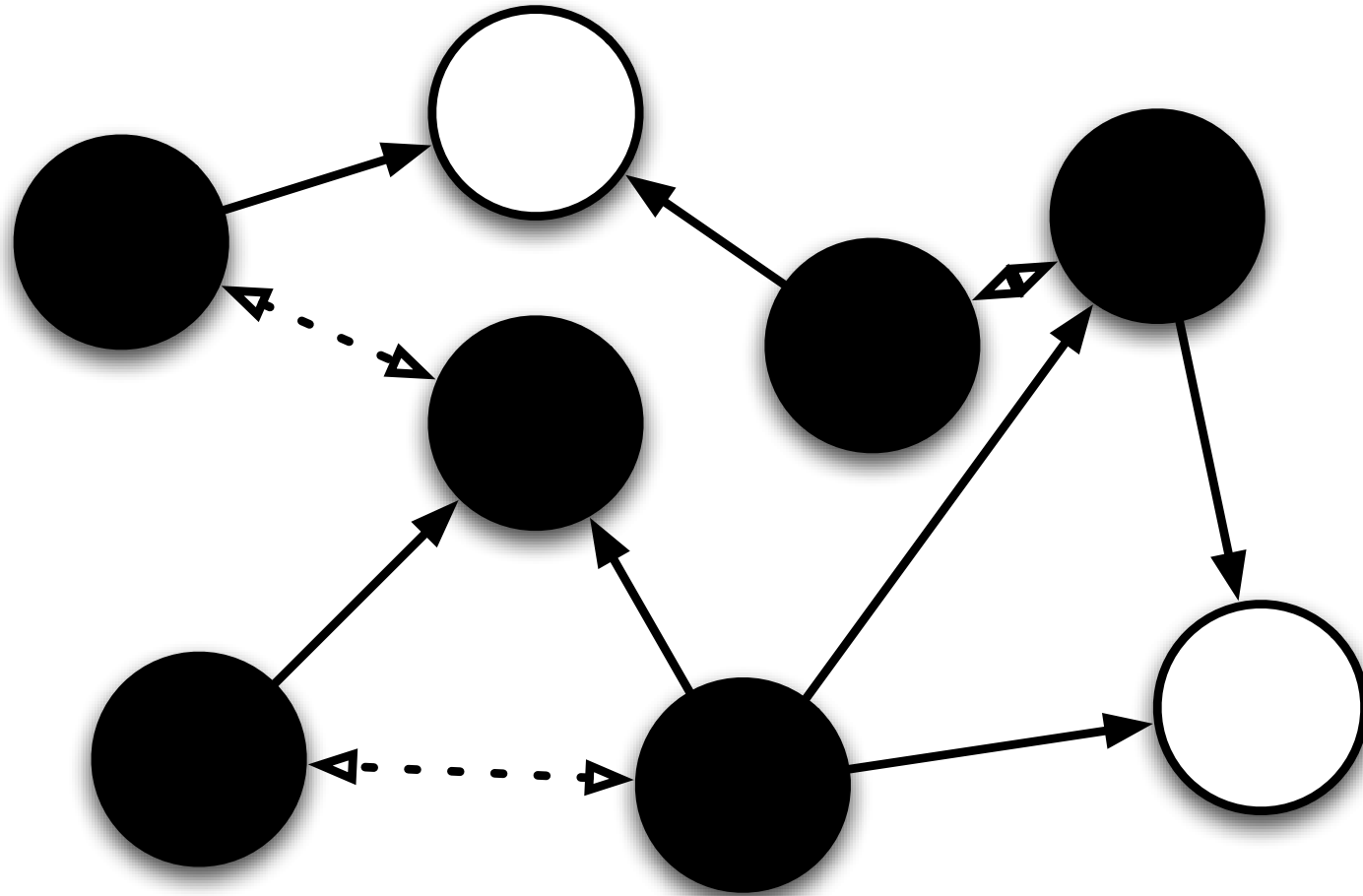
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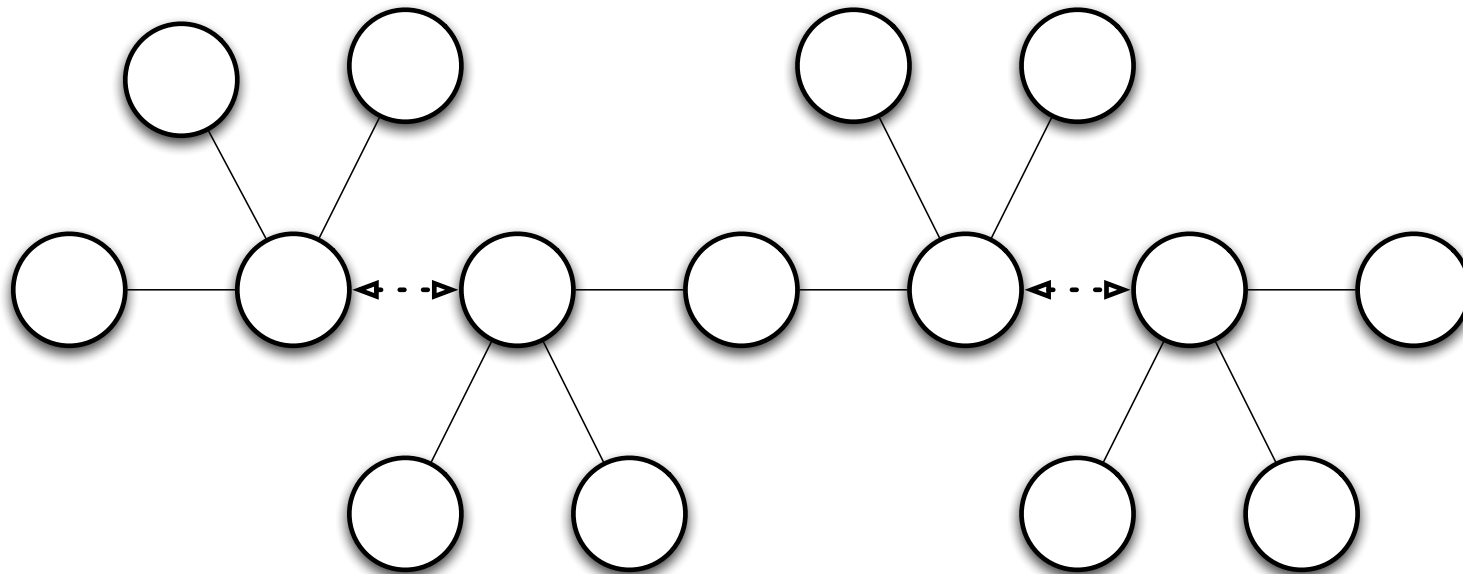
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Maximal matching

- **Theorem**

- The Maximal Matching protocol is eventual $(\lceil \frac{2m}{2\Delta - 1} \rceil, 1)$ -stable



Conclusion

- *New measure* for communication efficiency in self-stabilizing protocols
- Hints at *efficient implementation* in real networks
- *Orthogonal* to “graph oriented” quality of the protocols

Perspectives

- Applicability to *non-silent* protocols
- Lower bounds on x for eventual (x,k) -stability
- Theoretical problem quality vs. practical efficiency