

Improved Dynamic  
Geodesic  
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in a  
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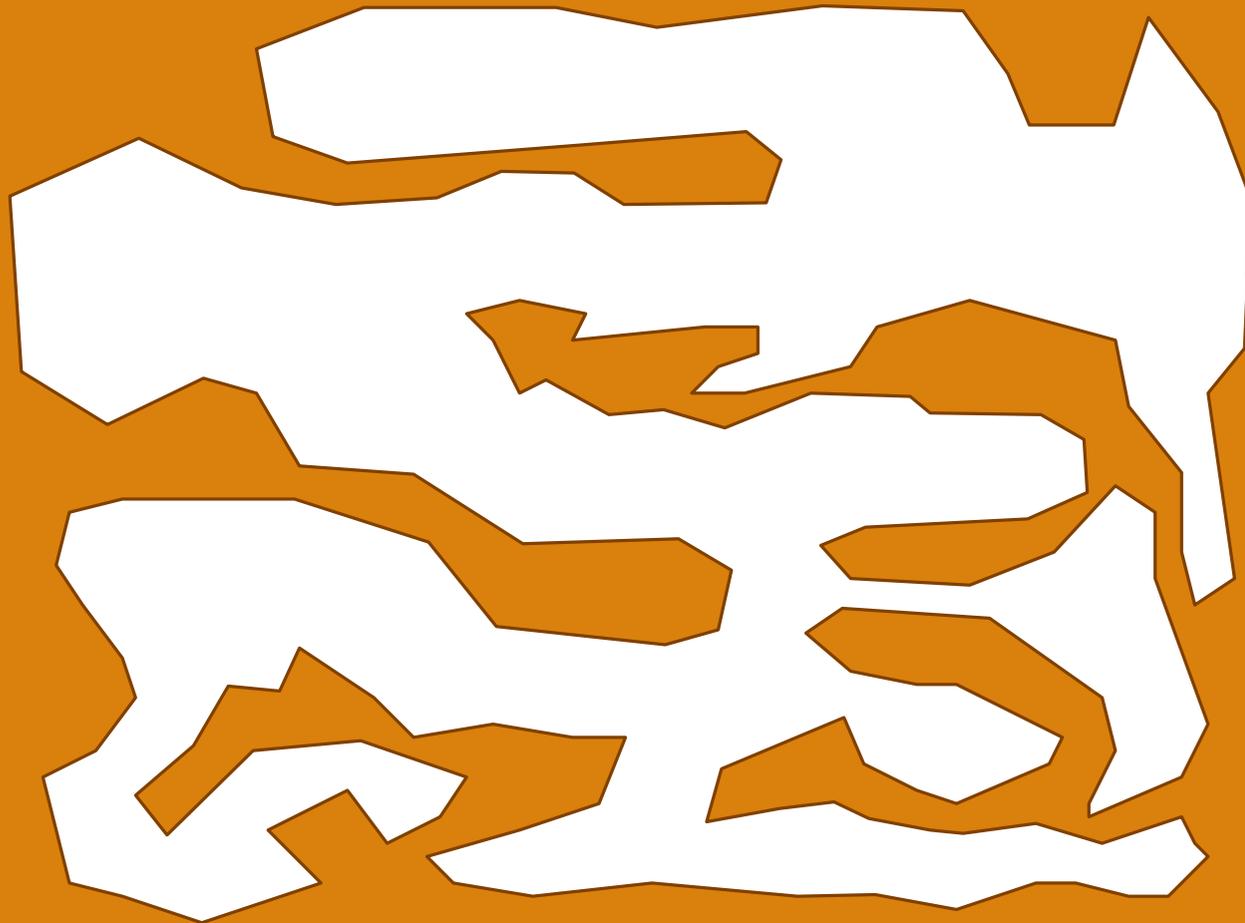
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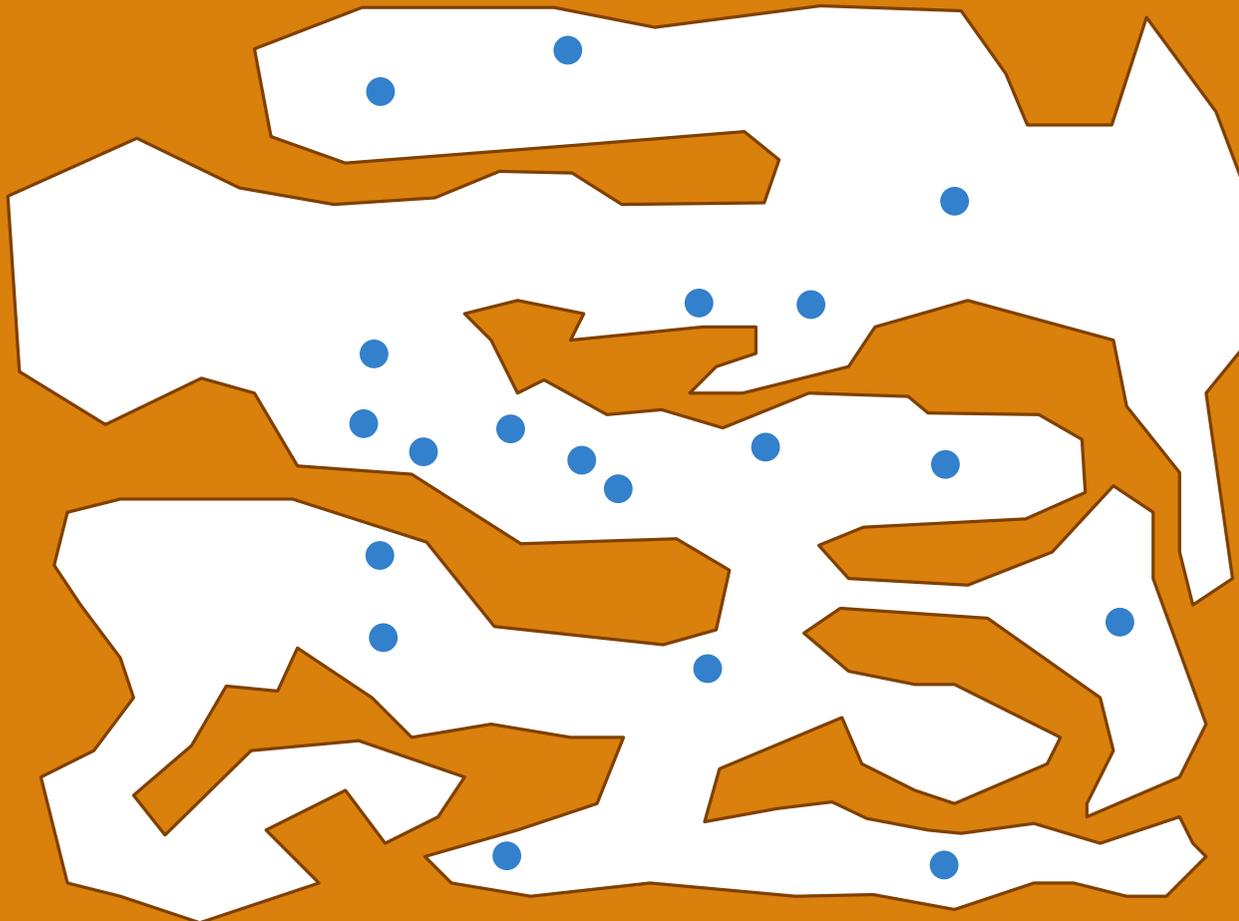
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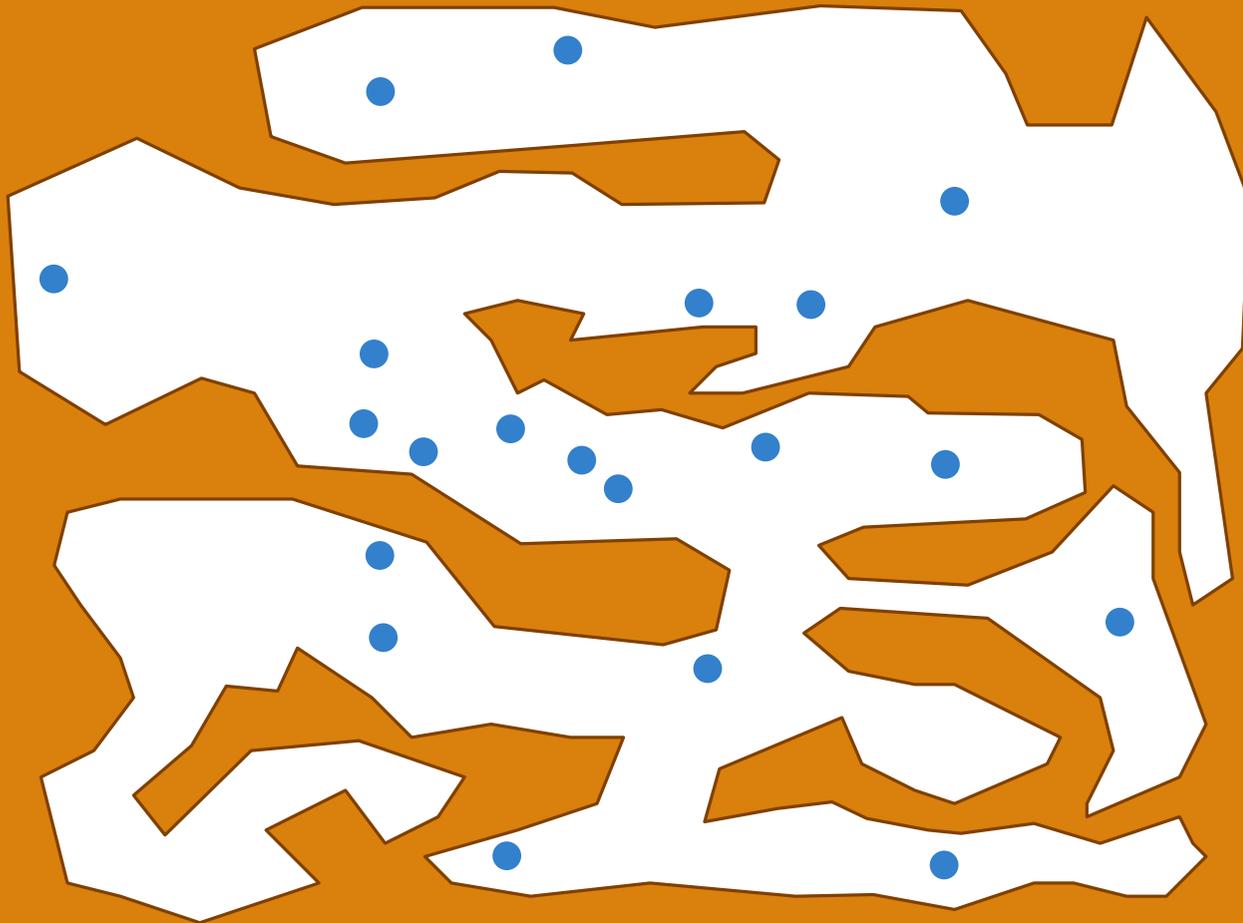
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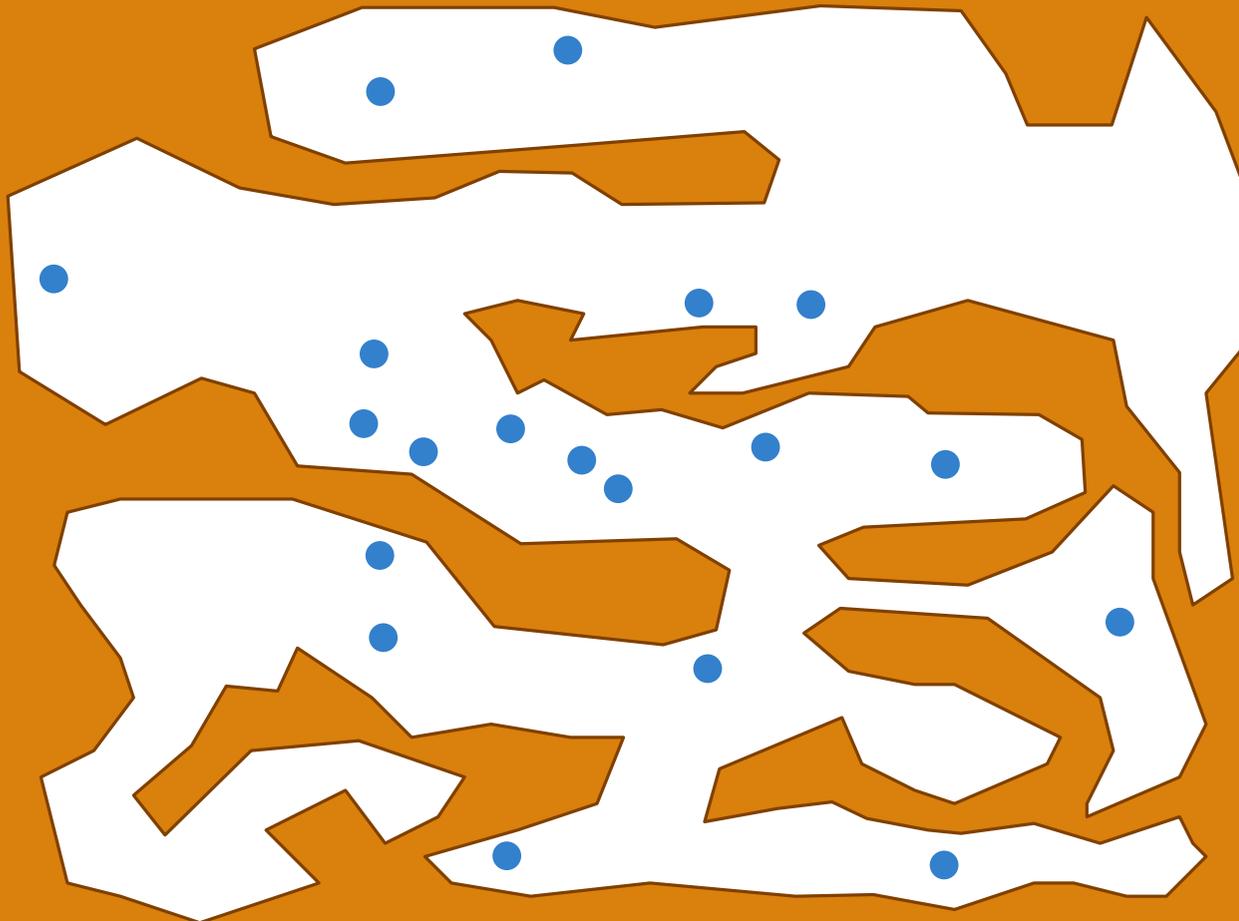
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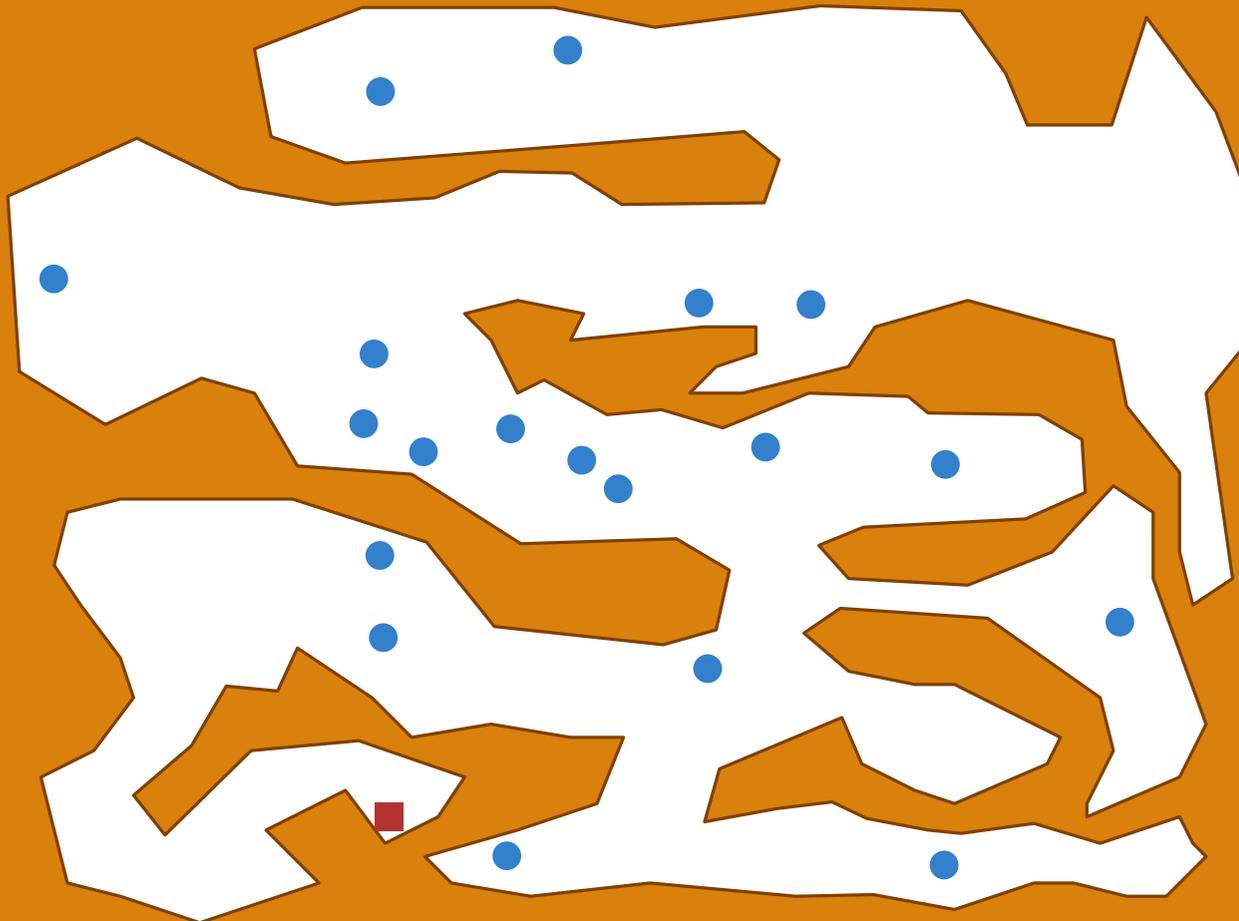
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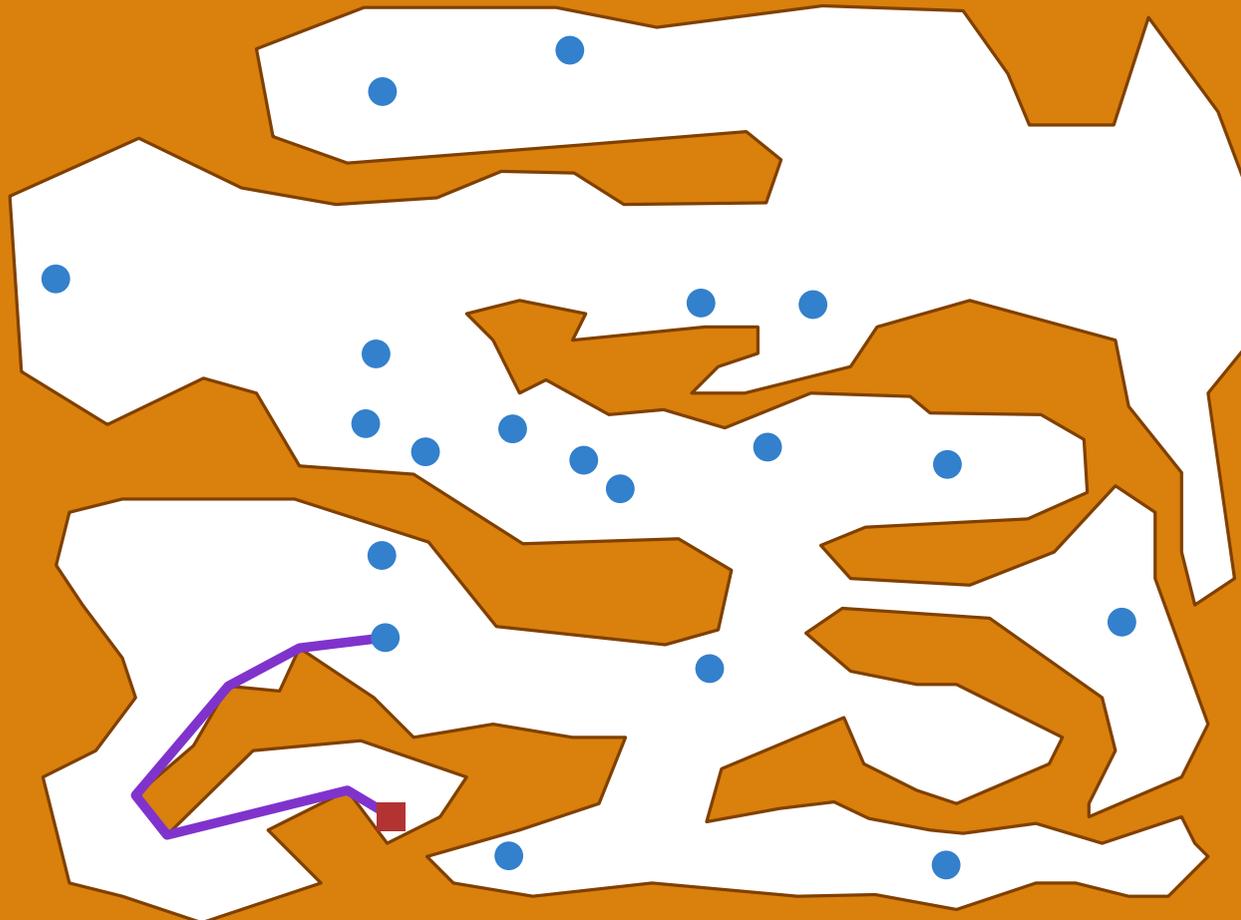
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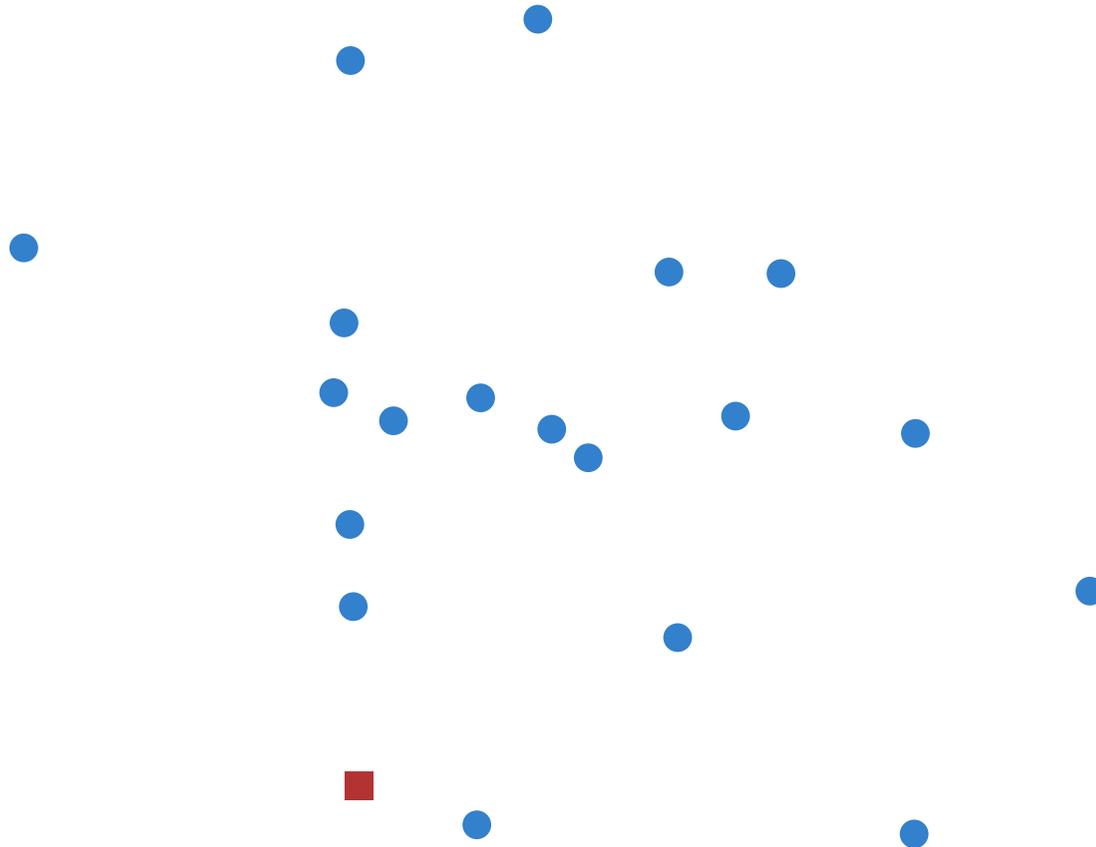
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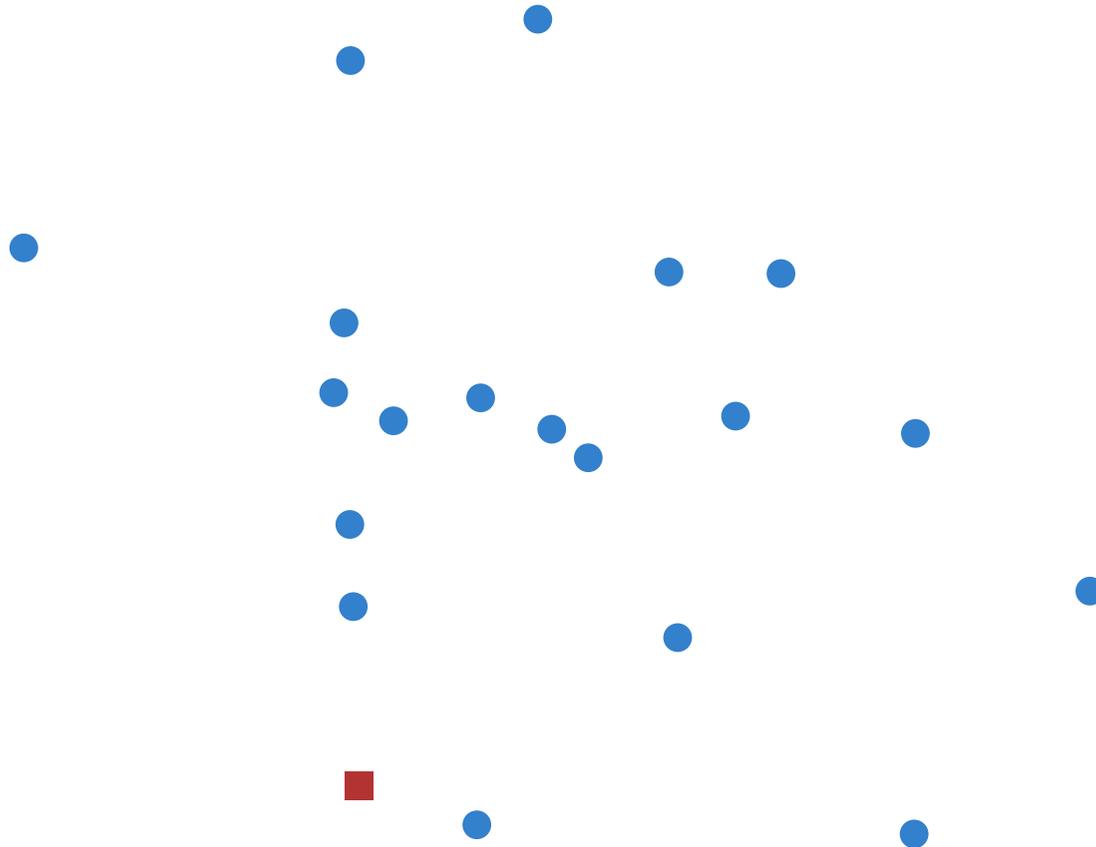
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[Chan, JACM '10], [Kaplan et al., SODA '17]



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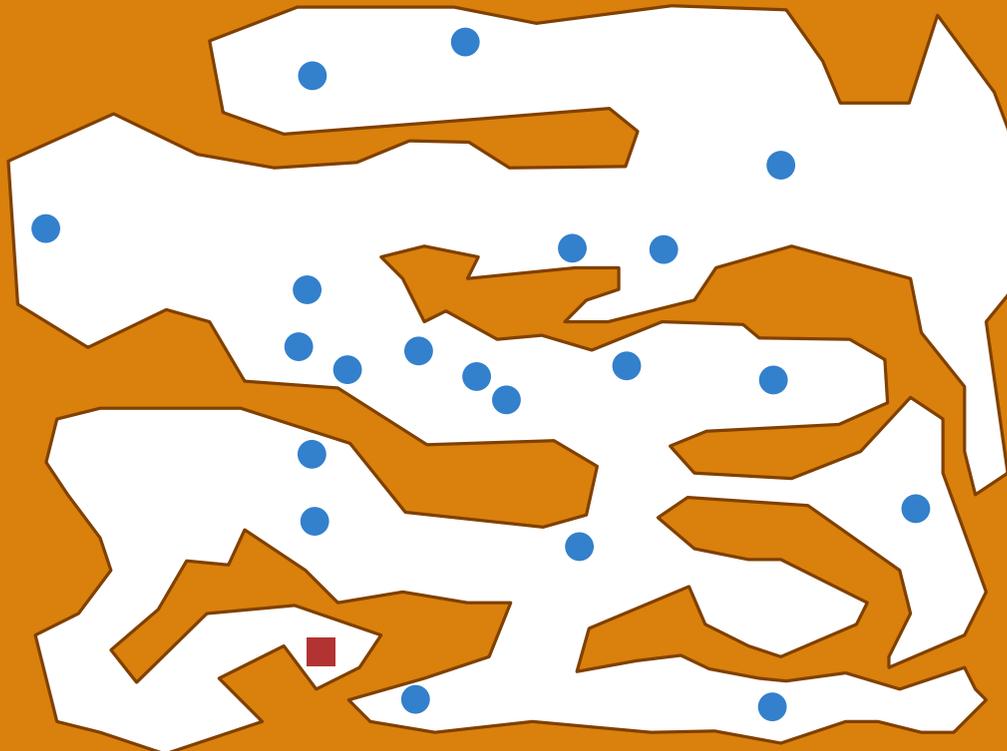
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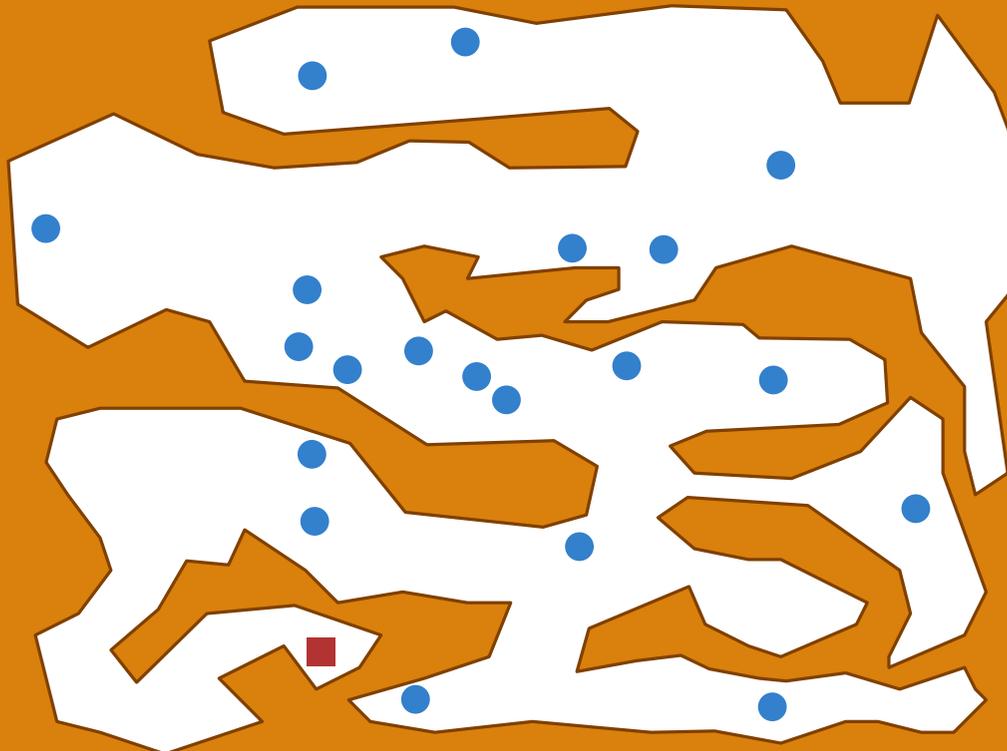
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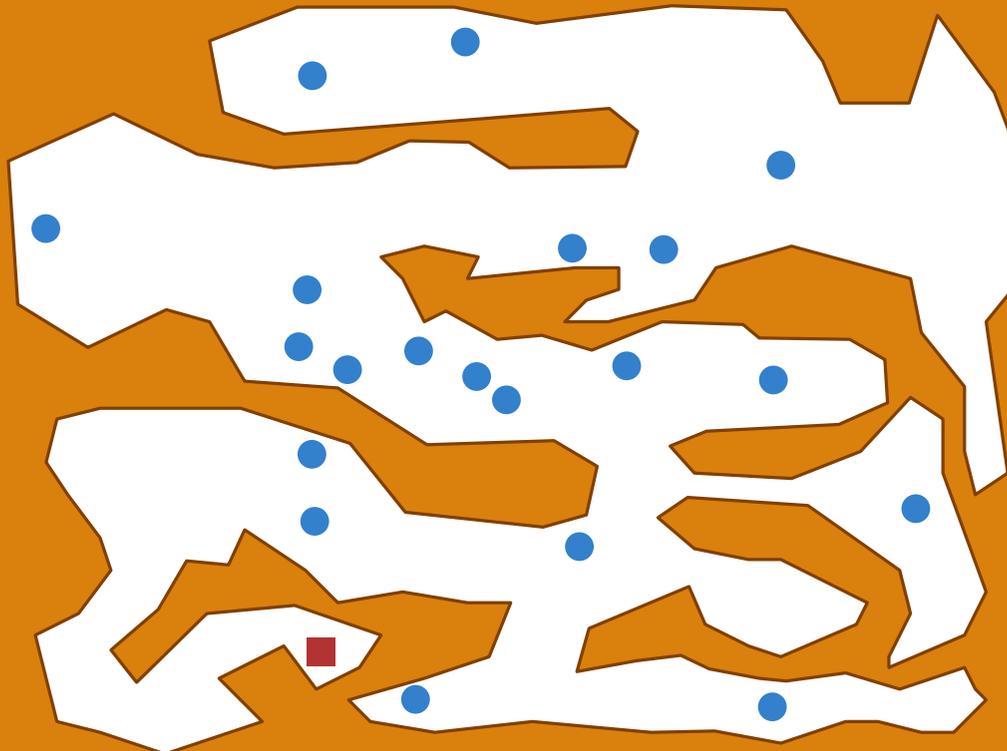
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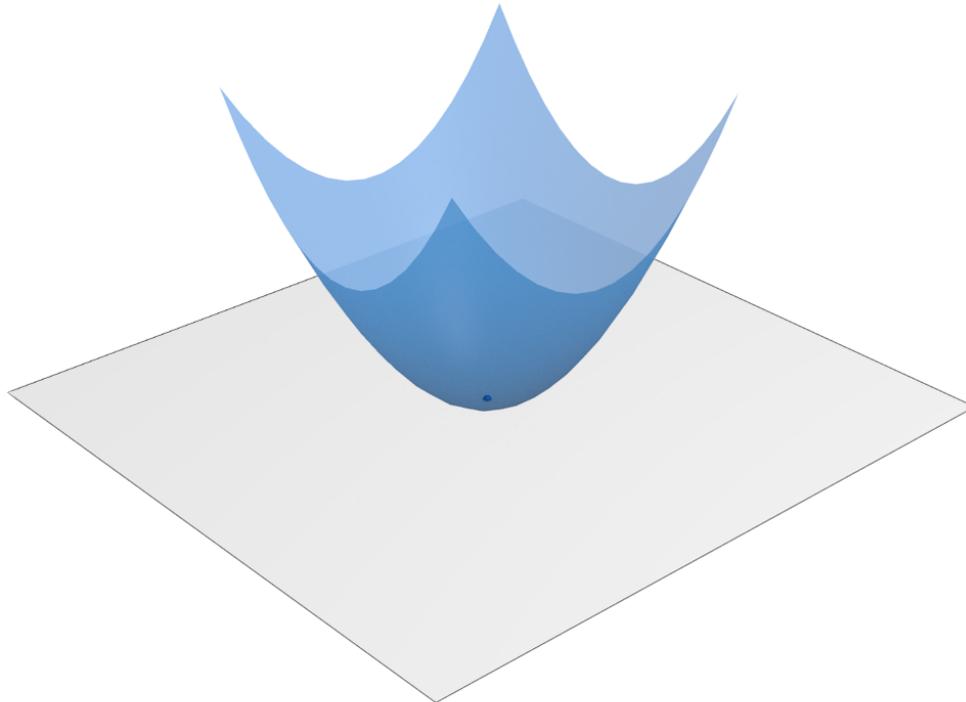
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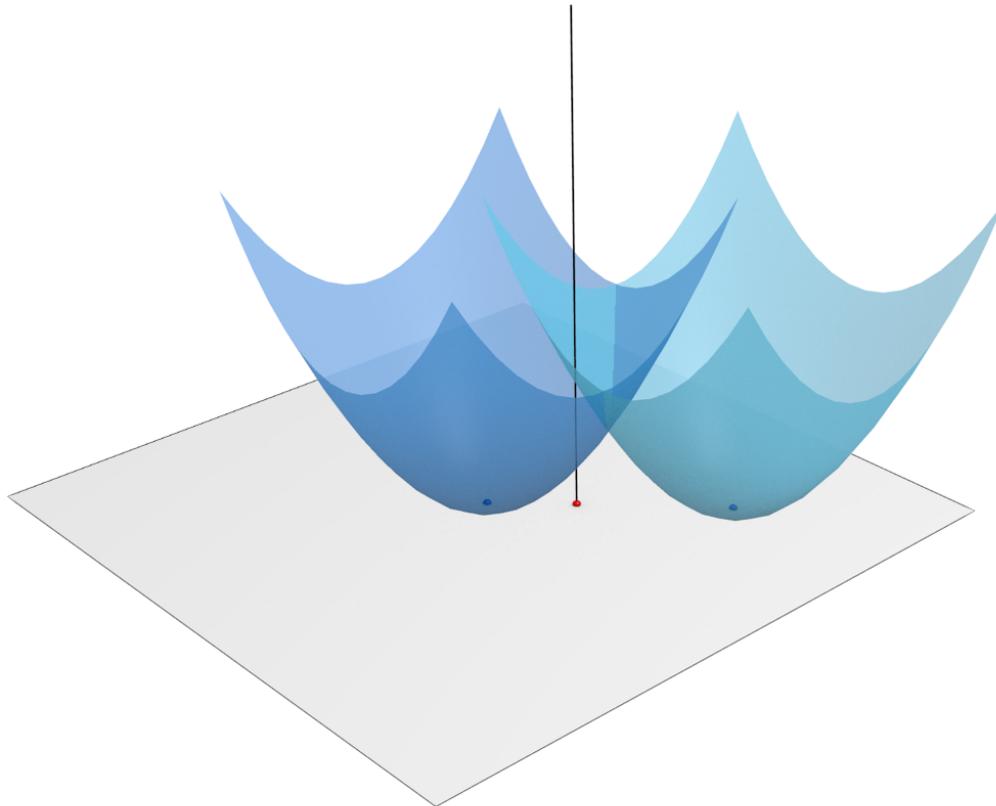
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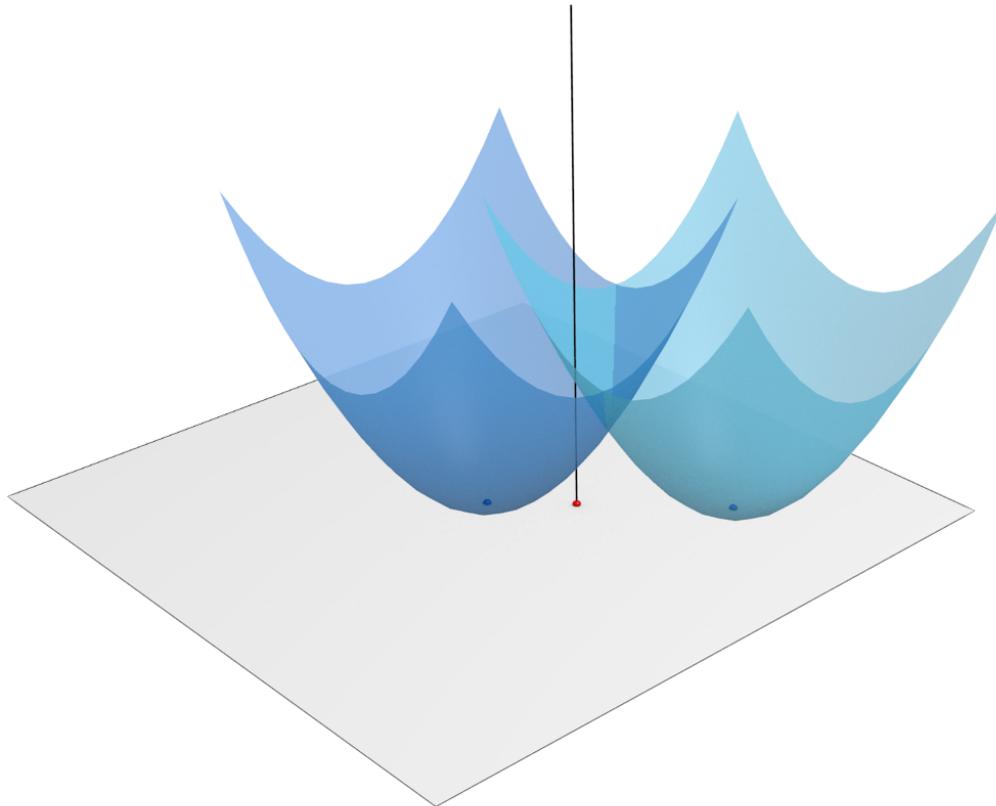
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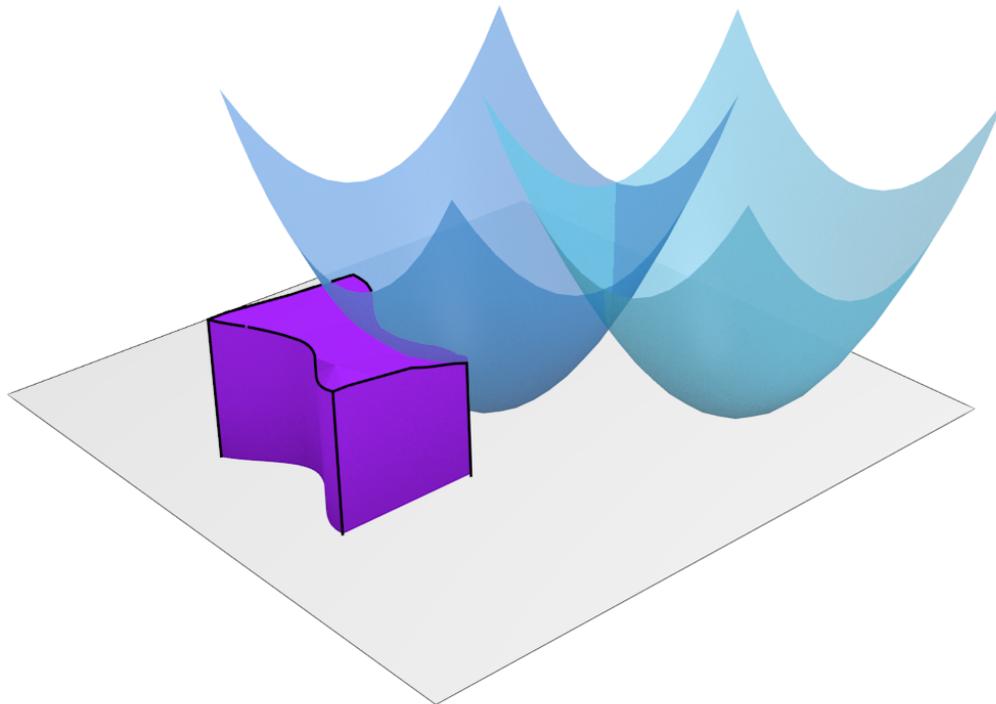
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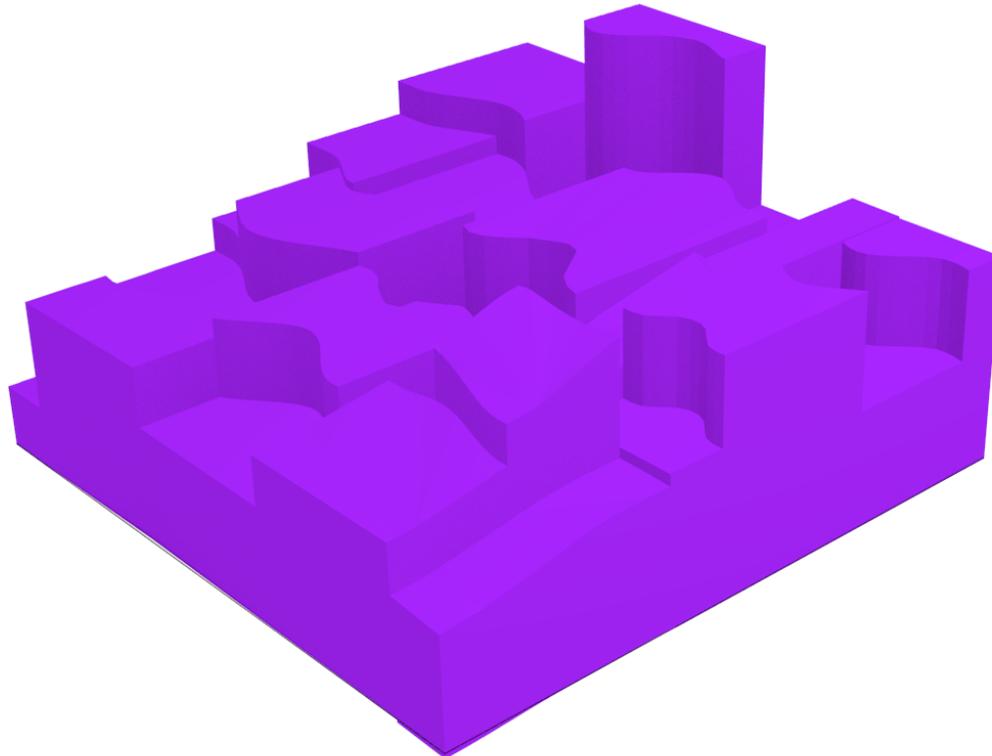
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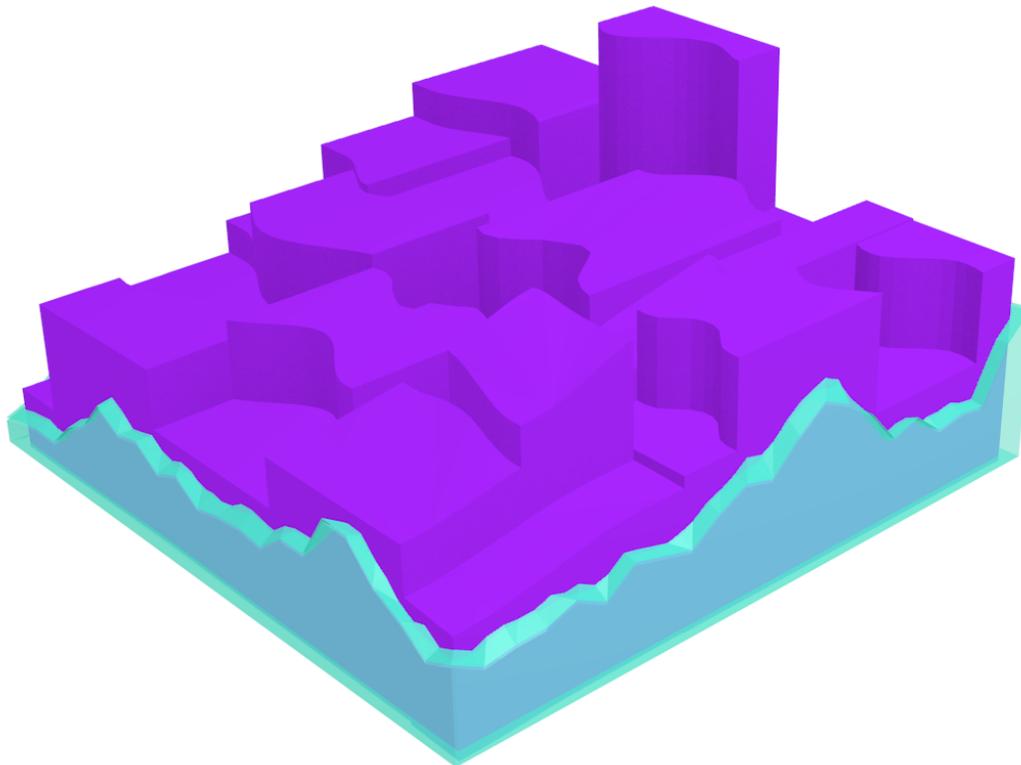
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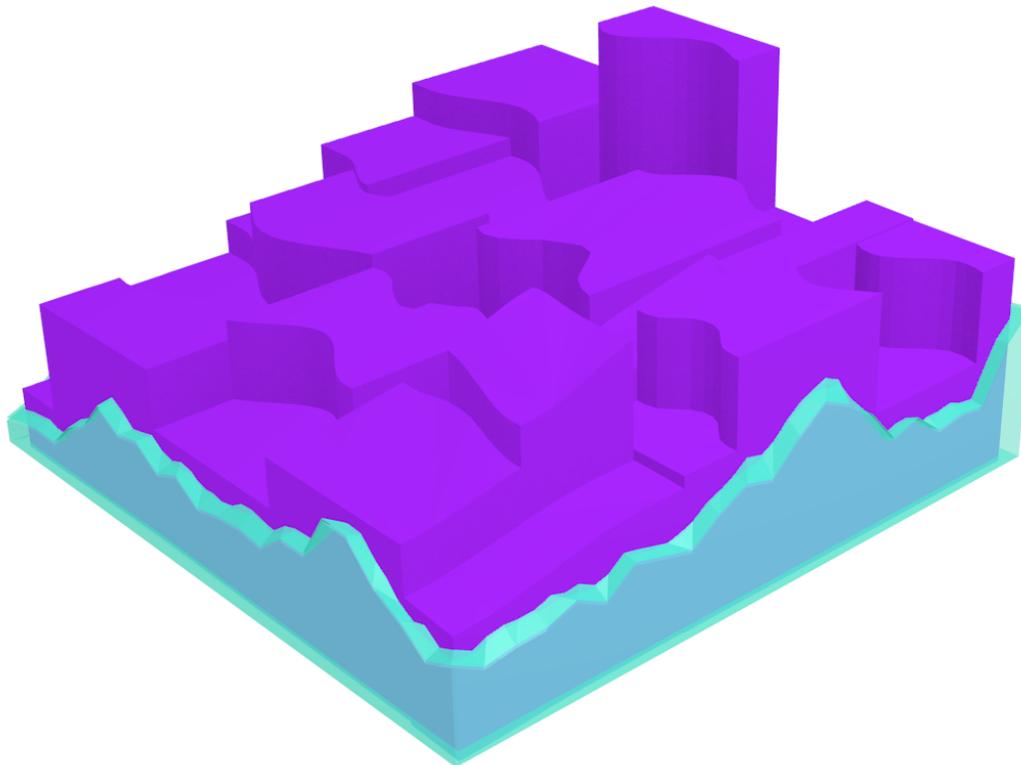
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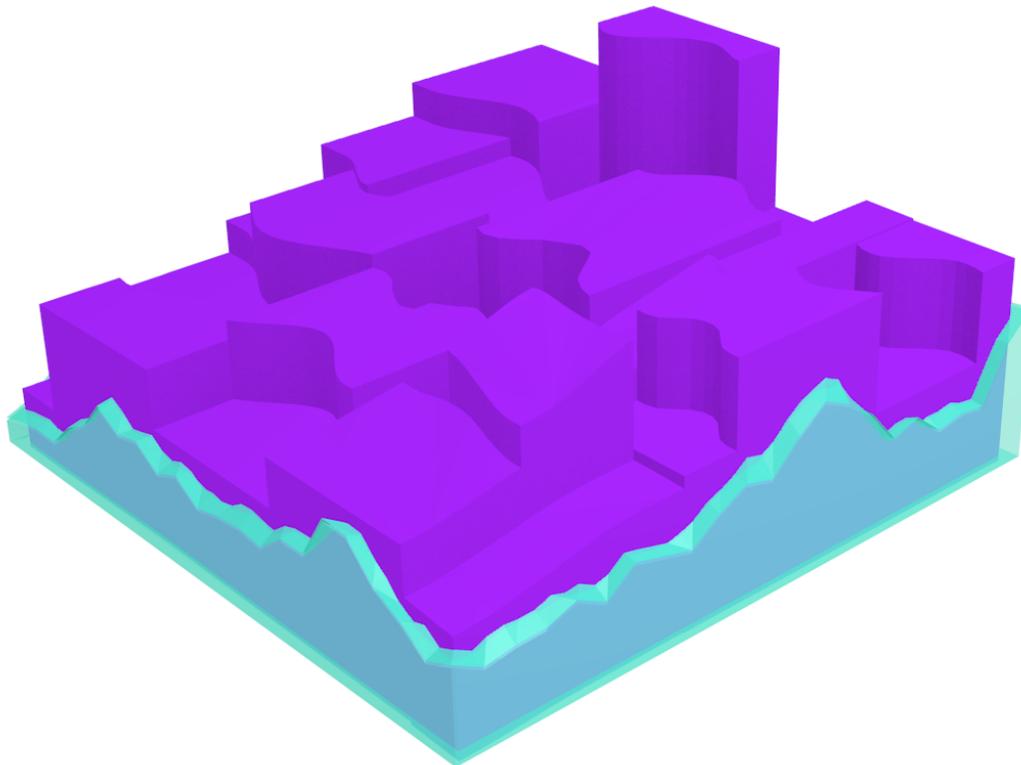
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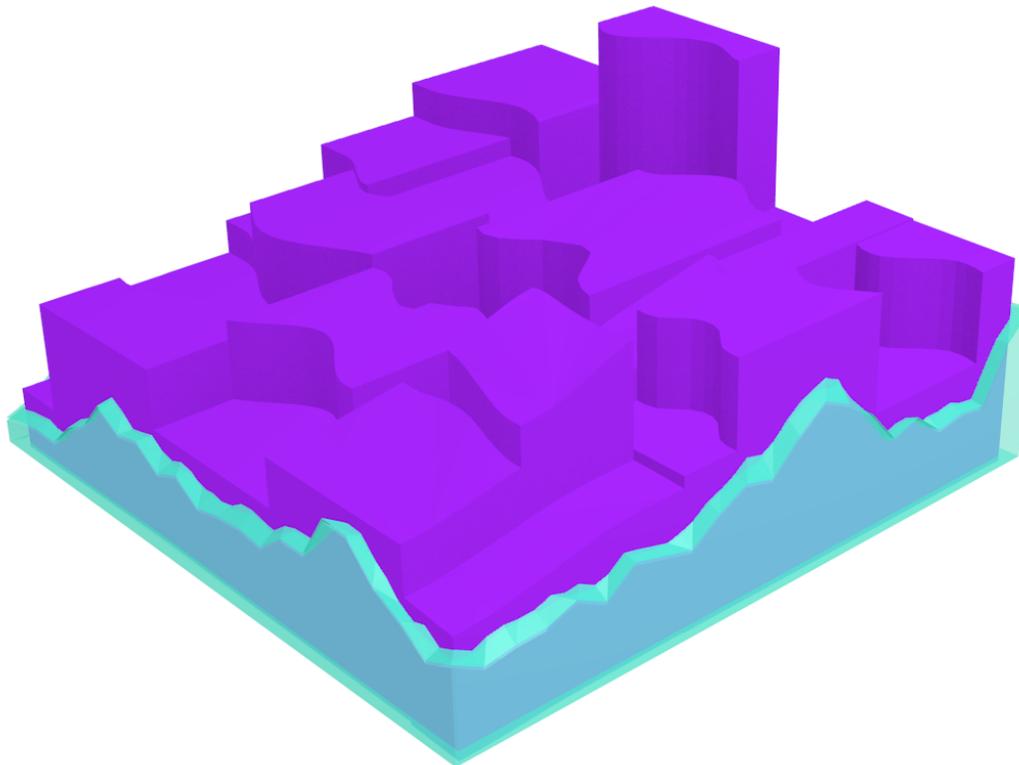
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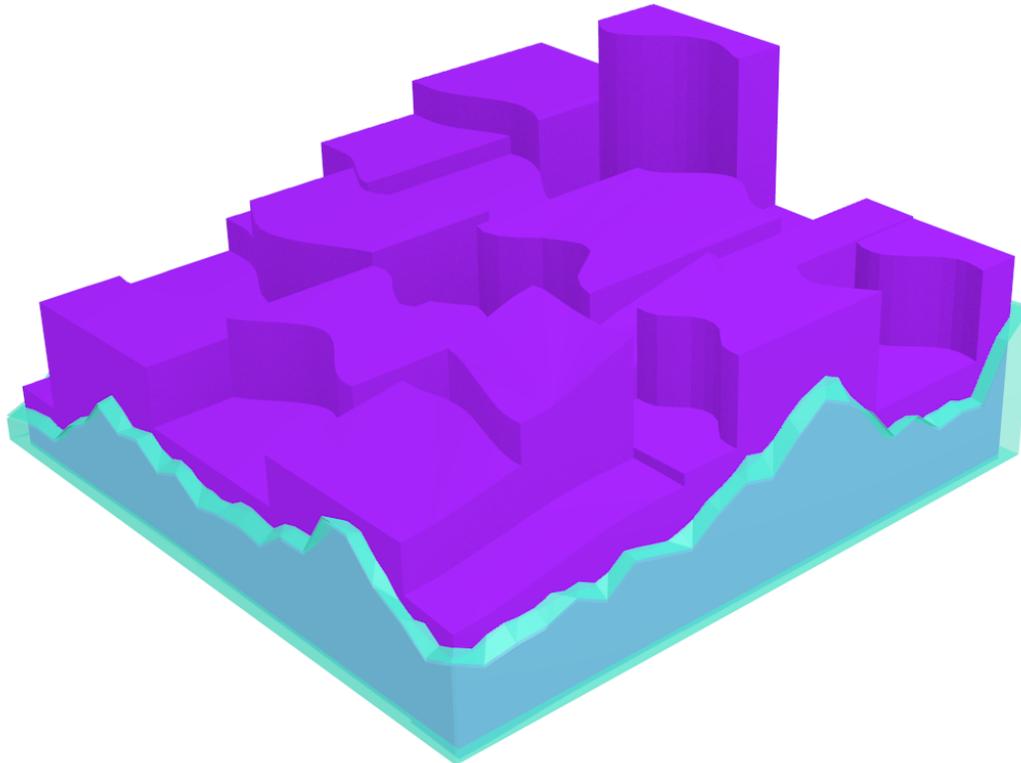
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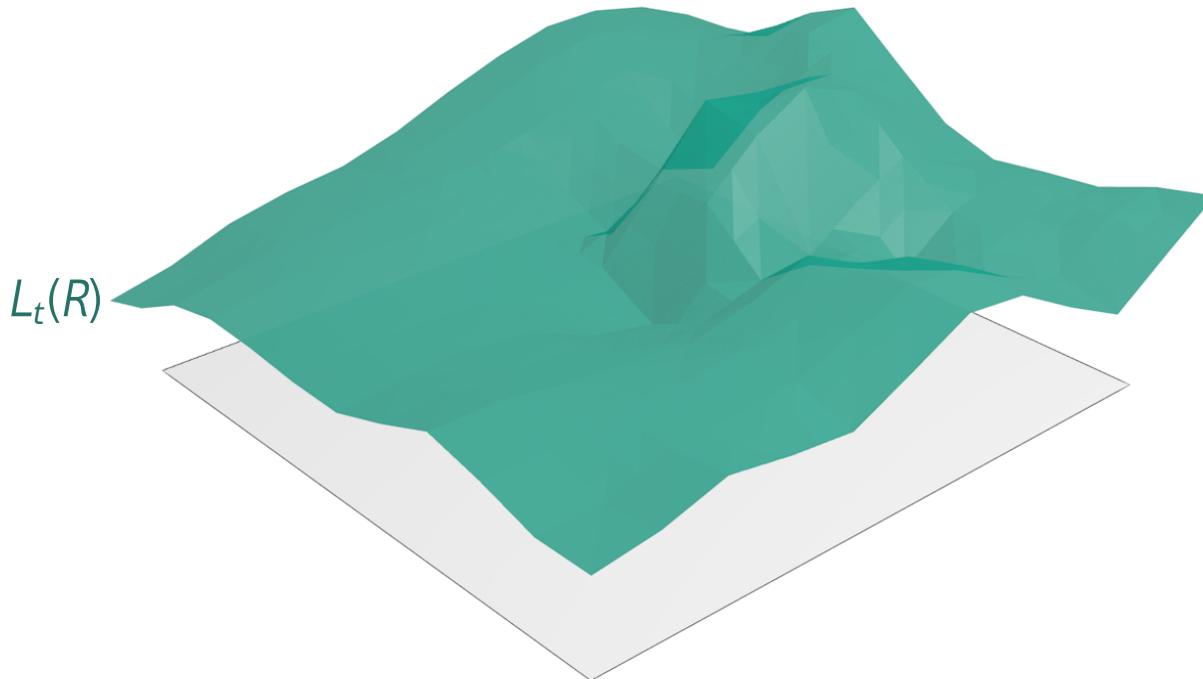
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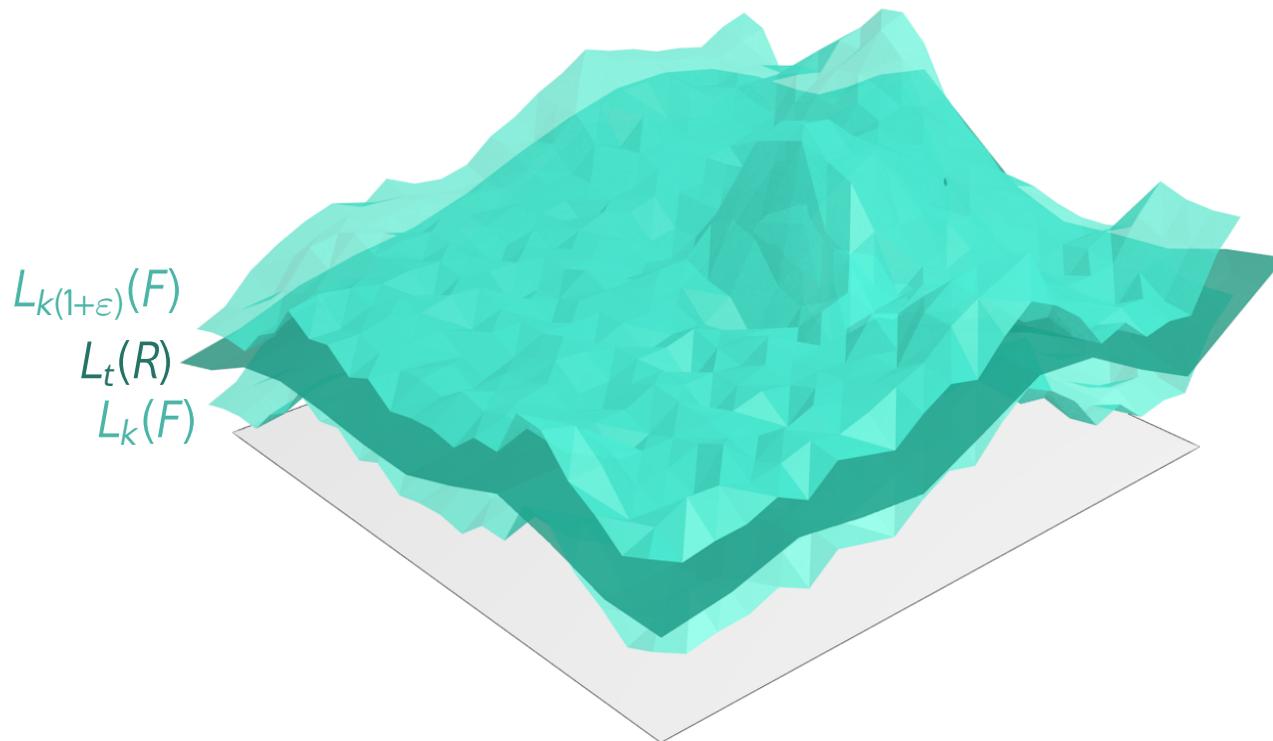
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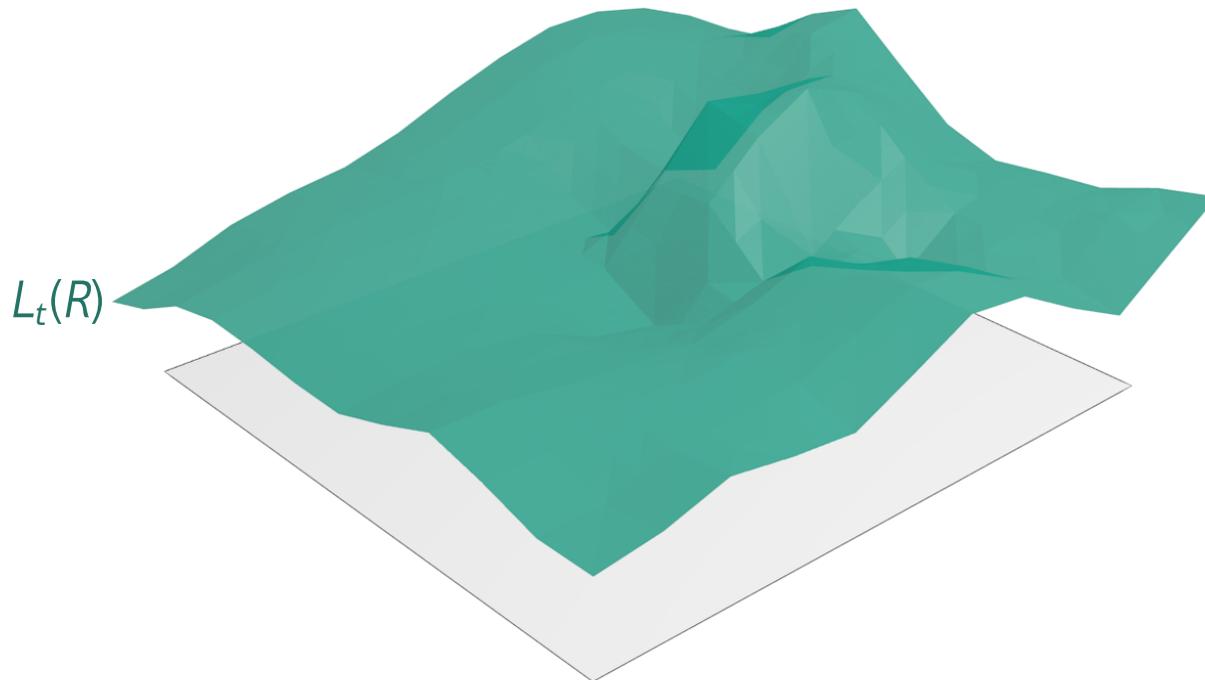
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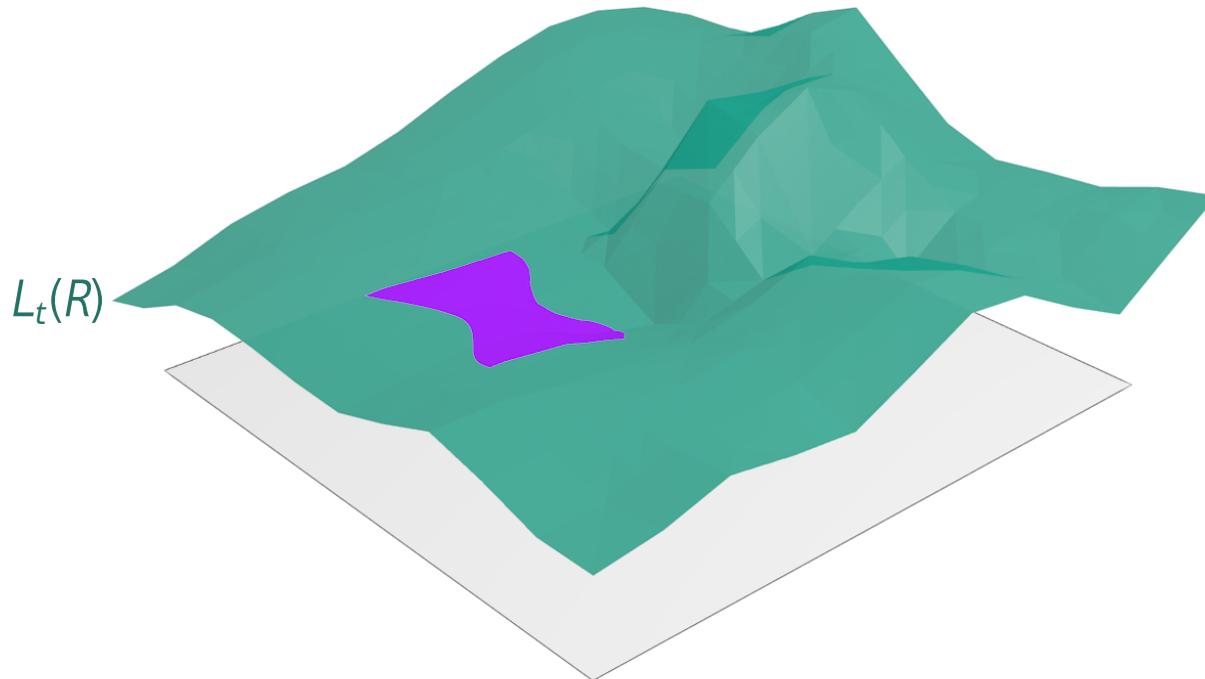
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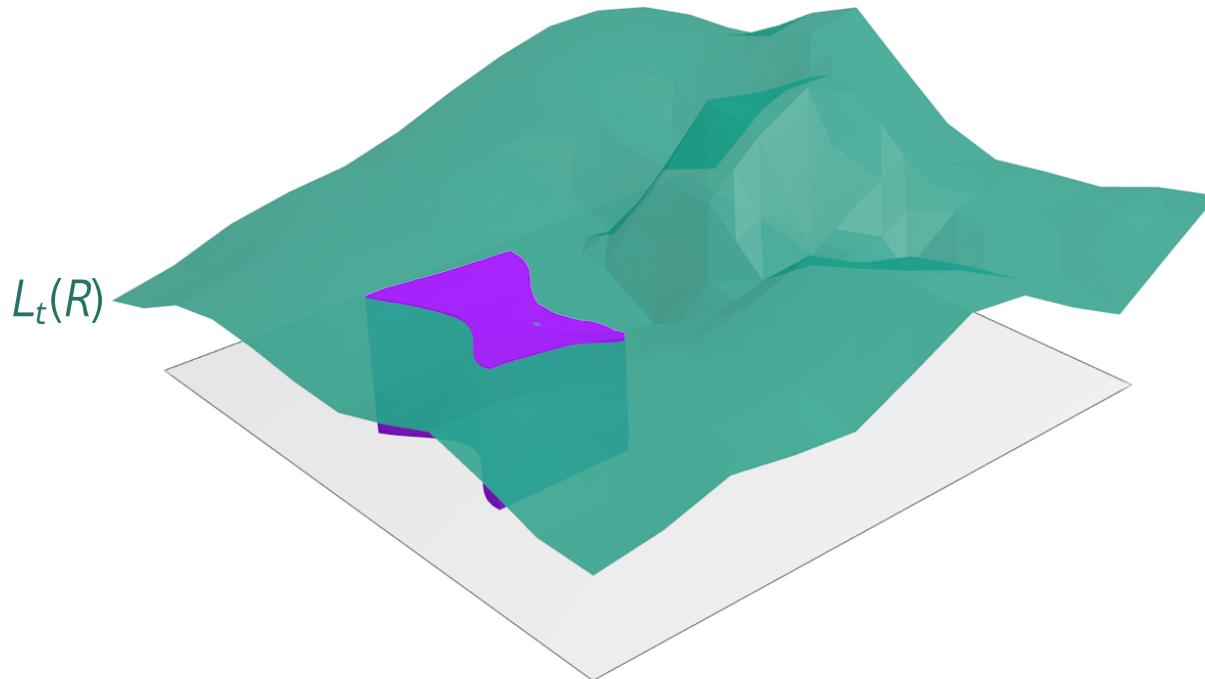
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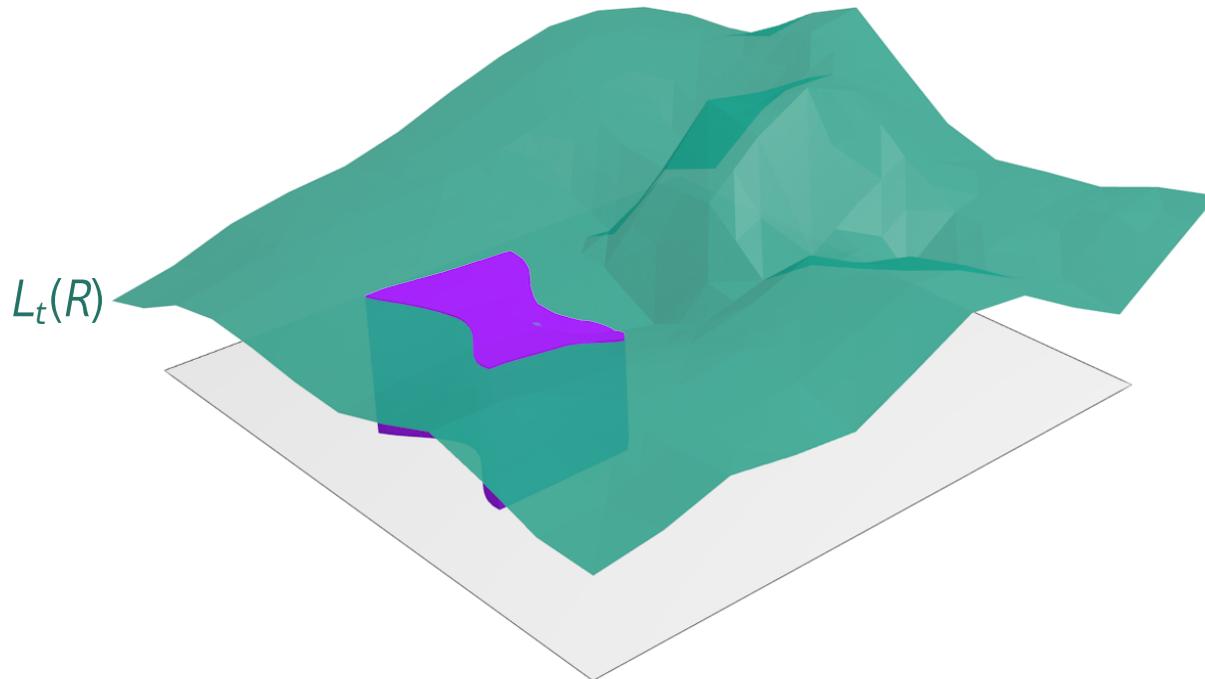
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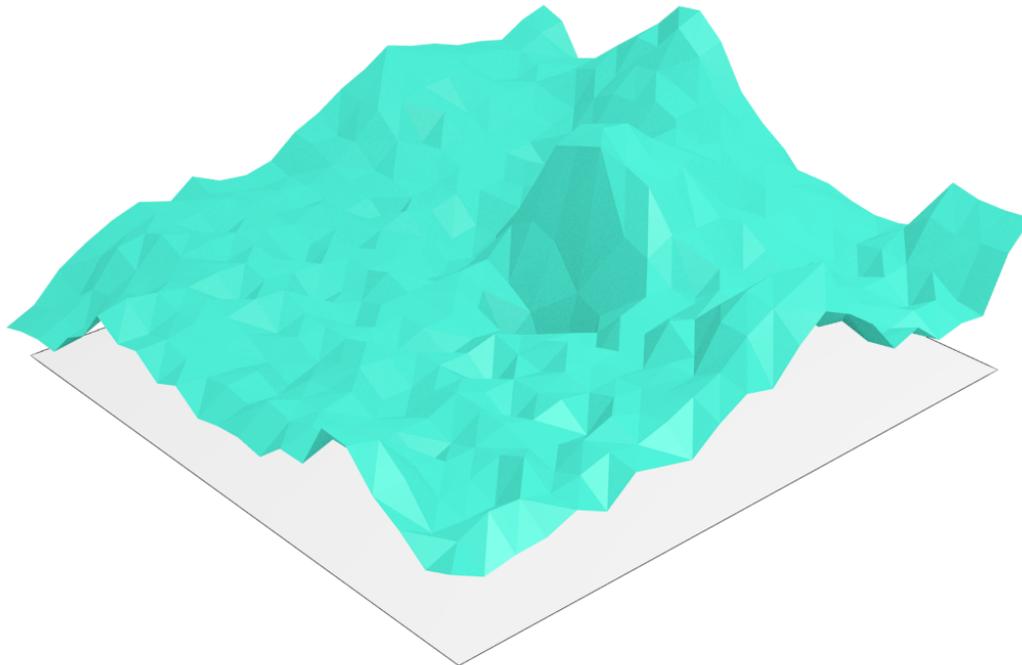
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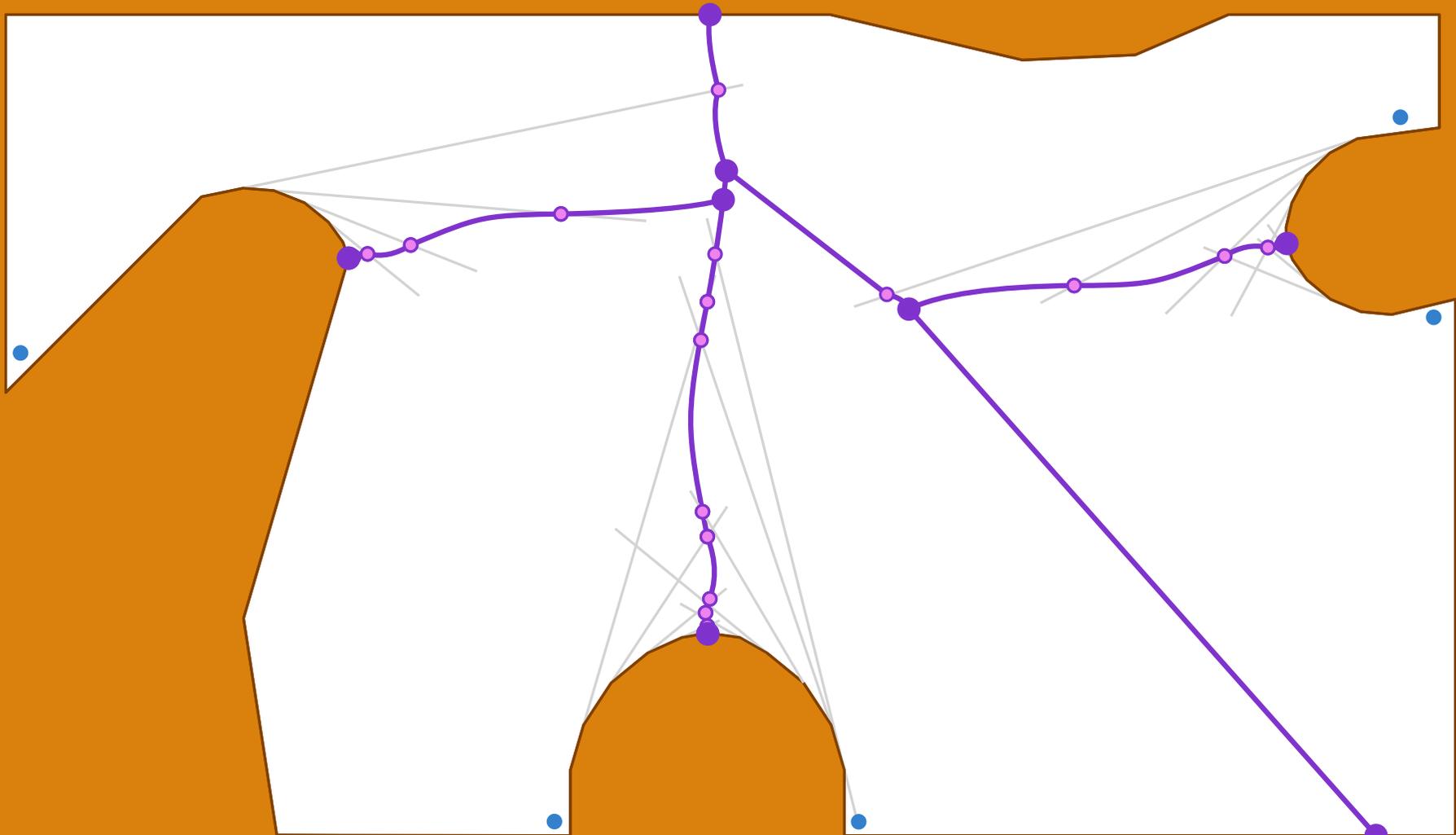
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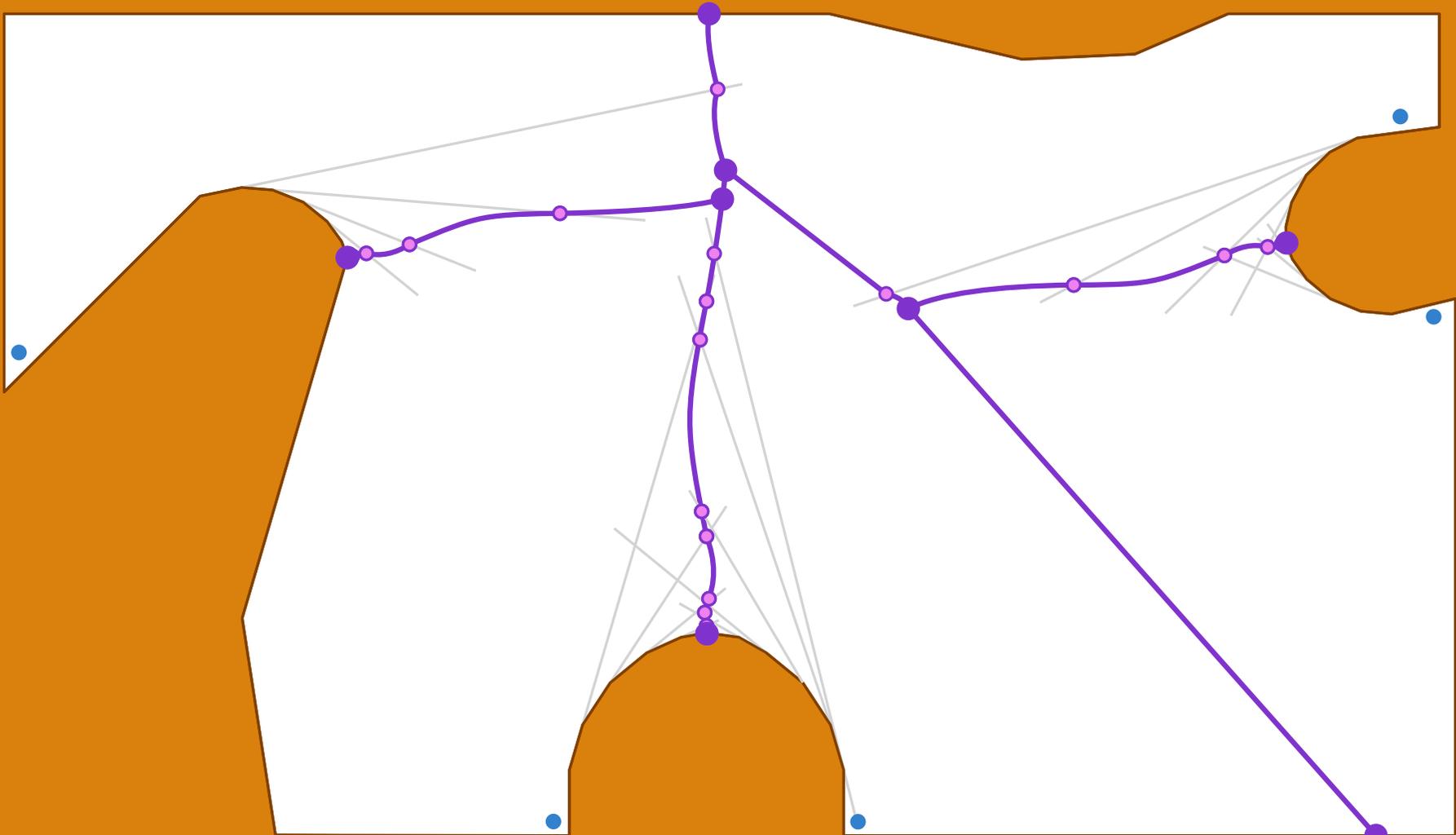


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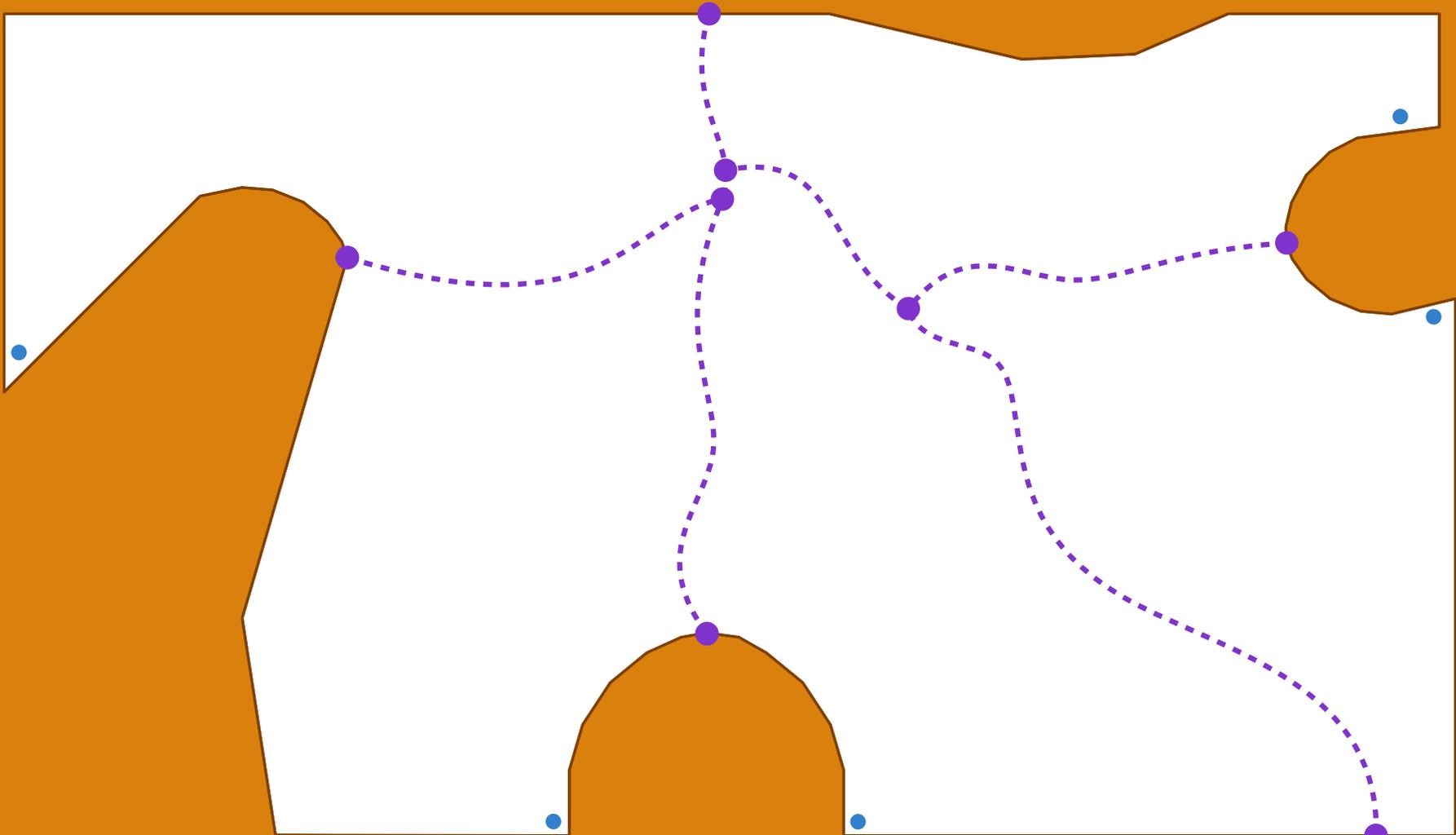


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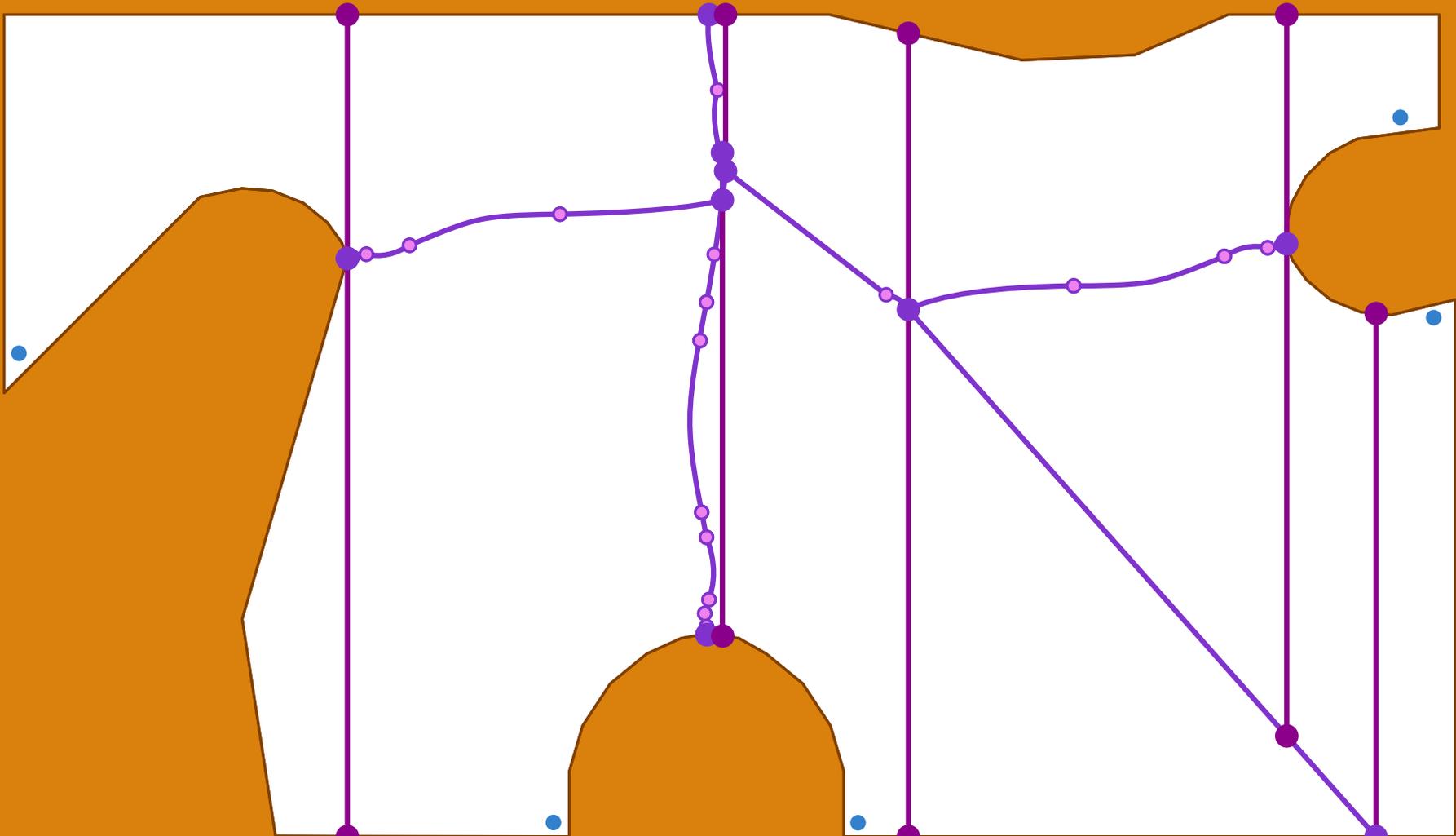
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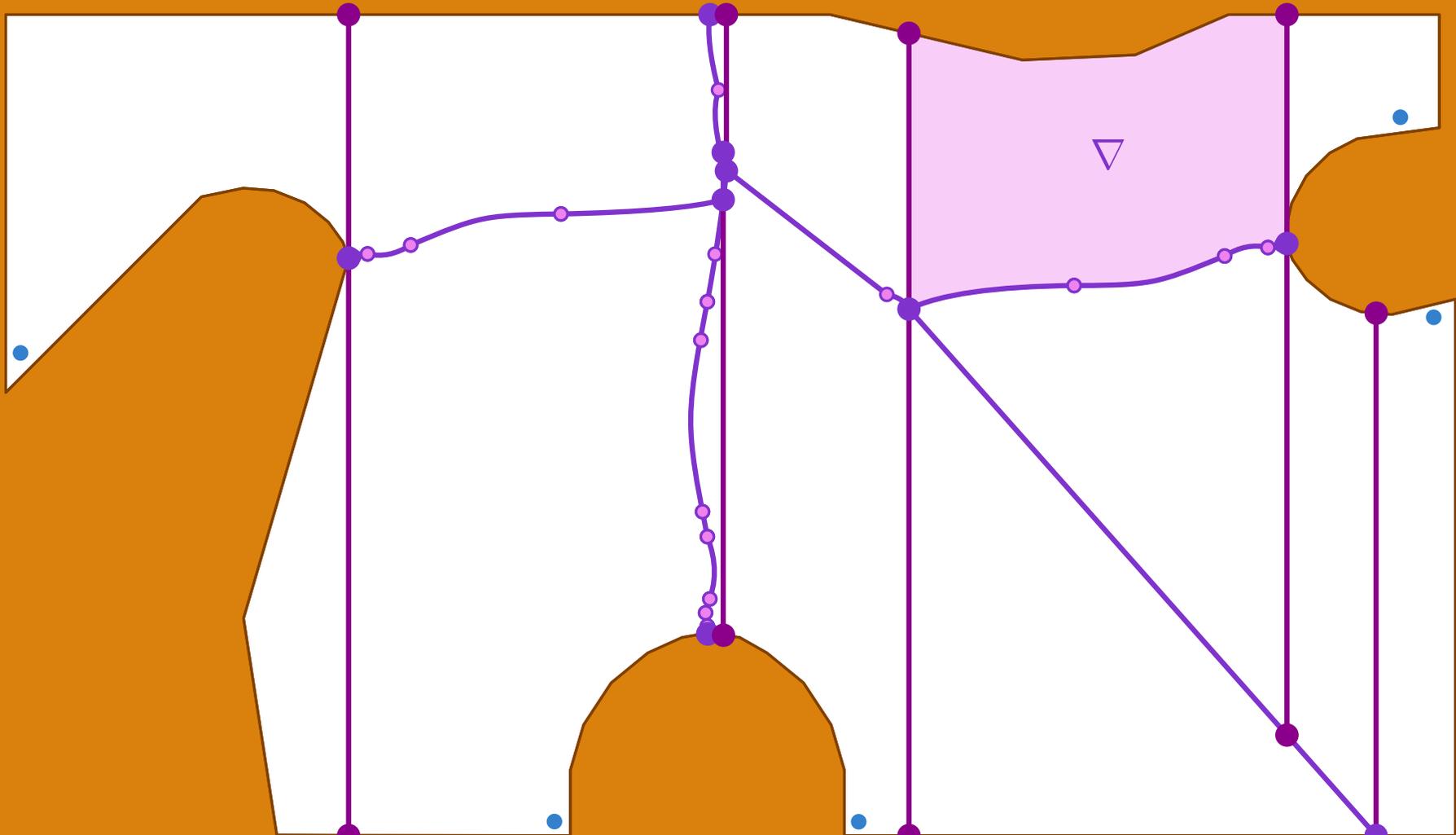
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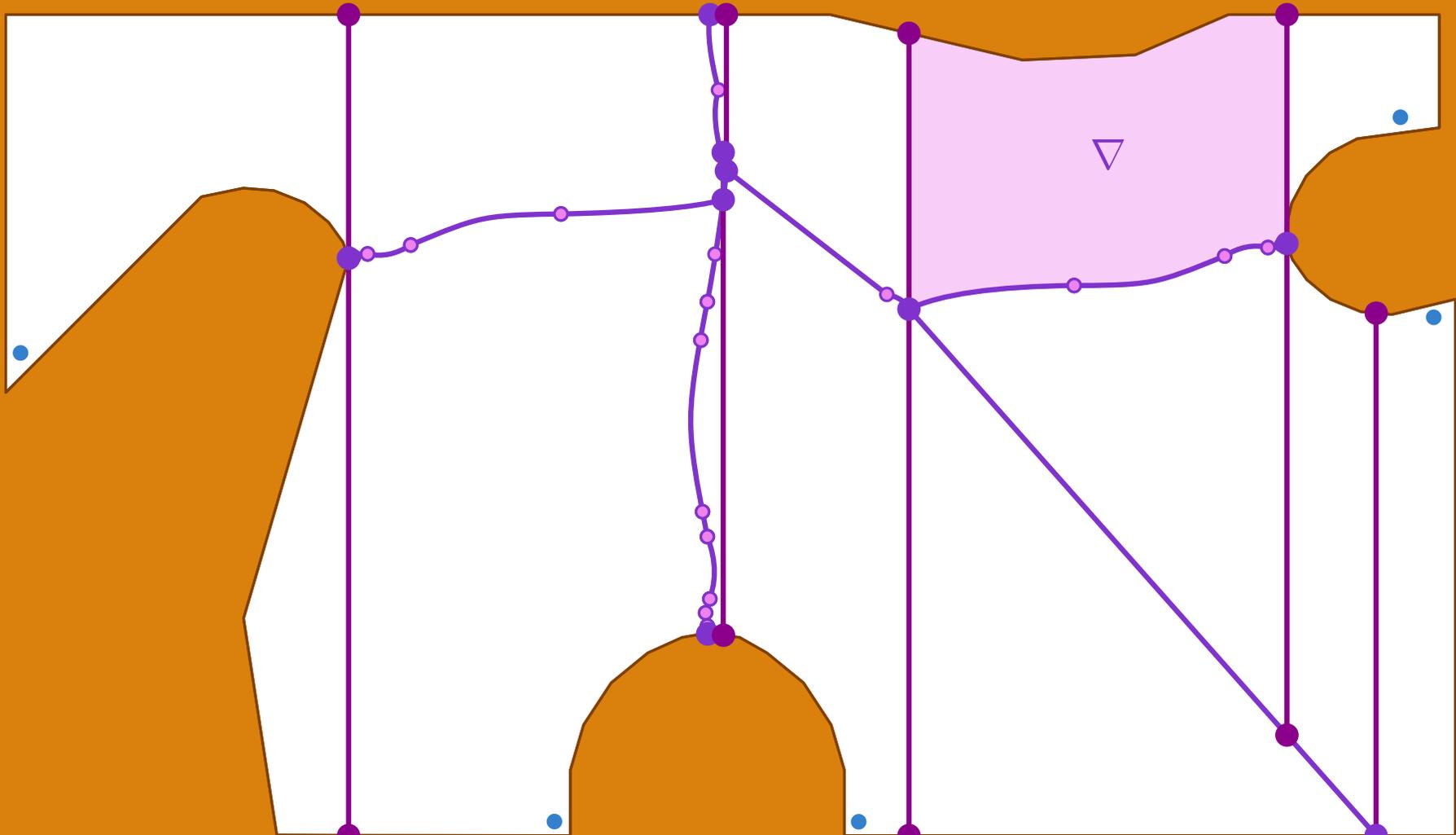
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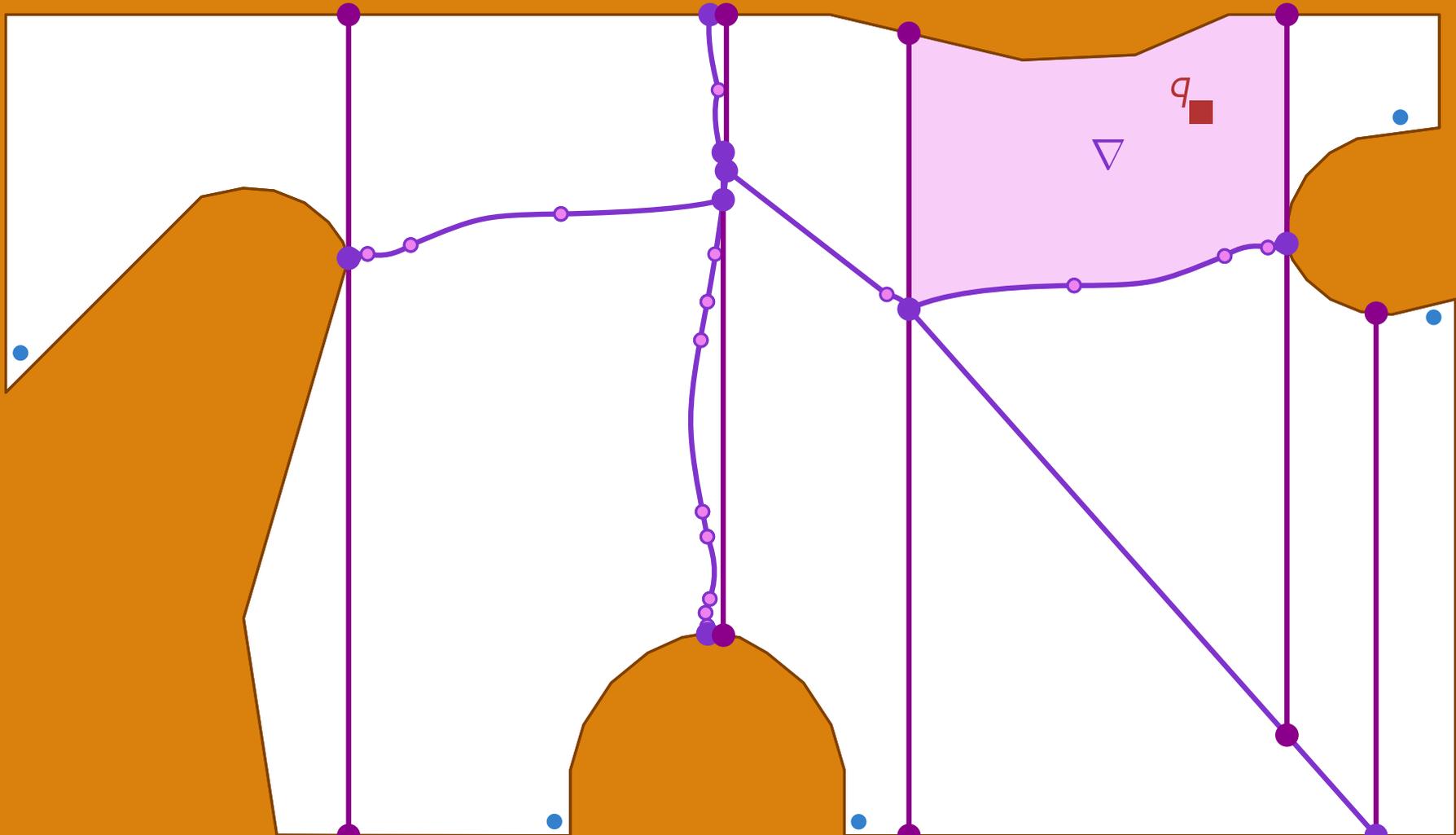
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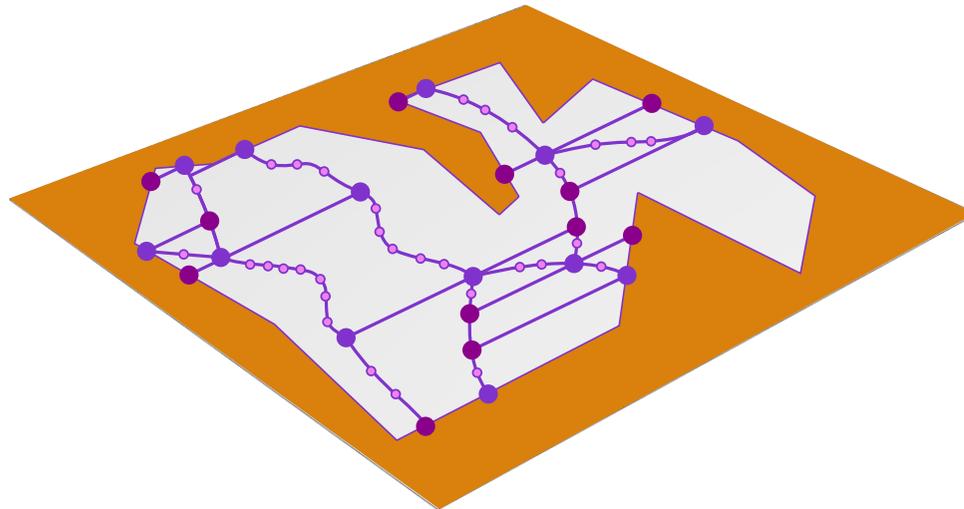




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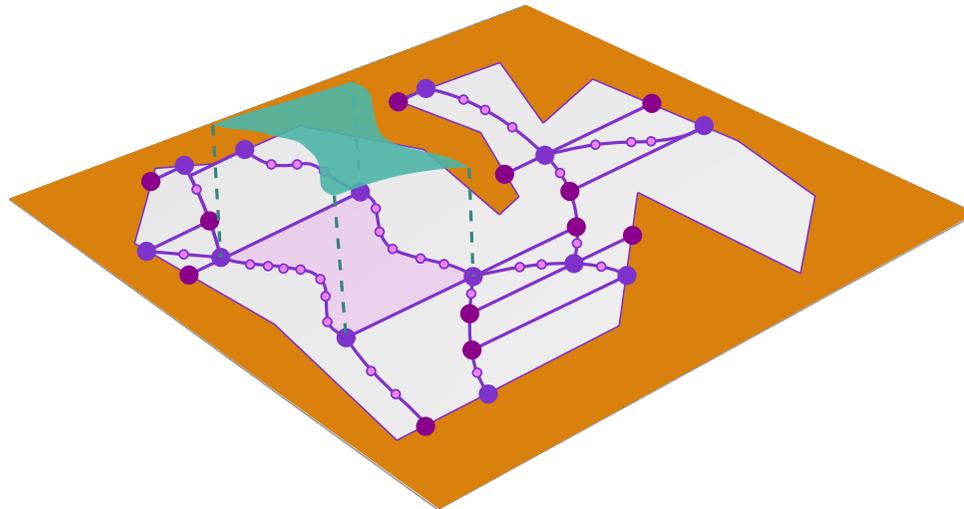
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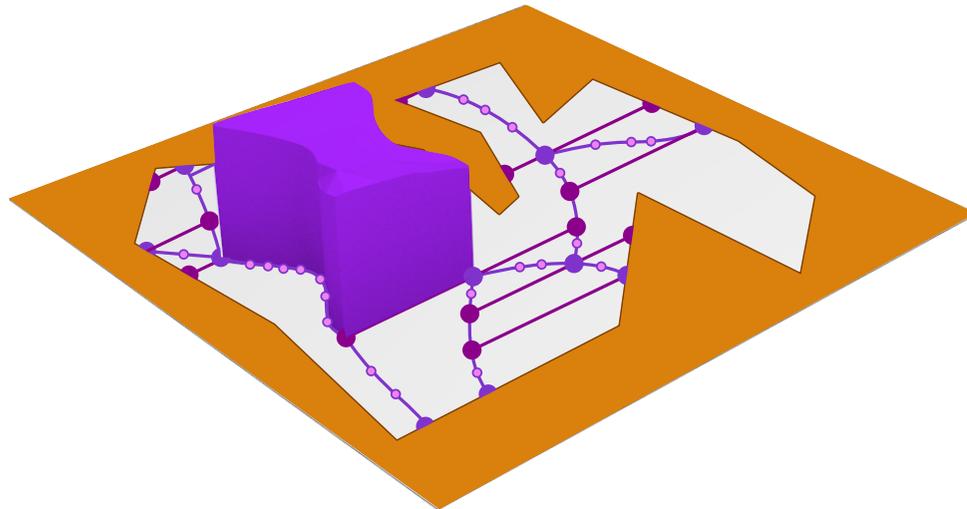
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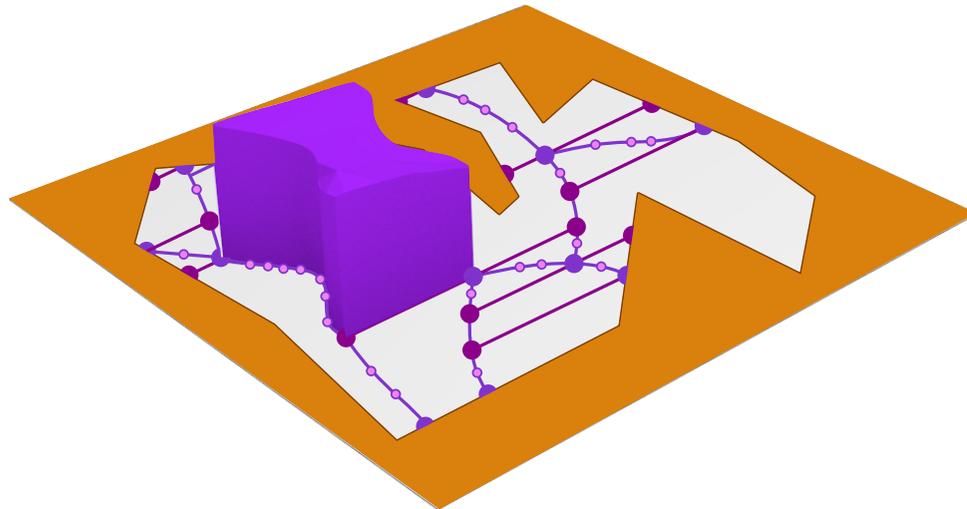


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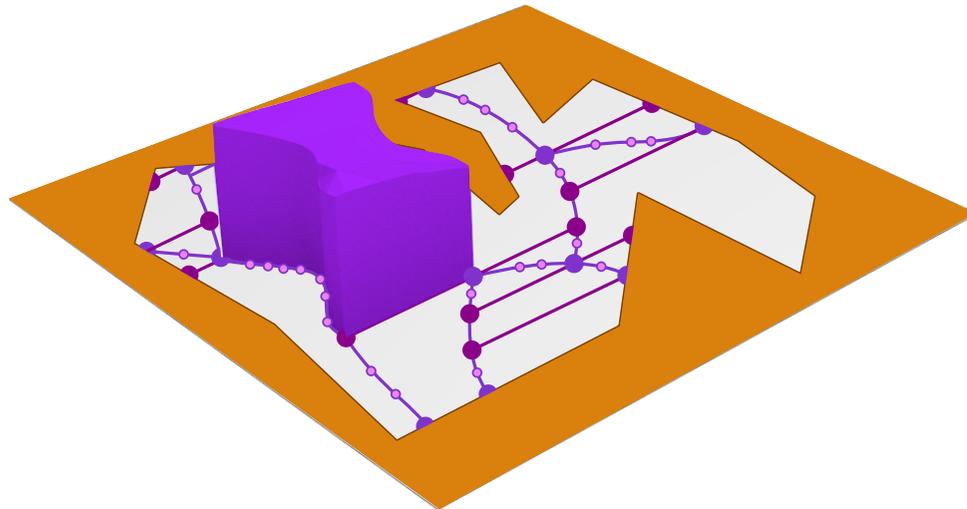
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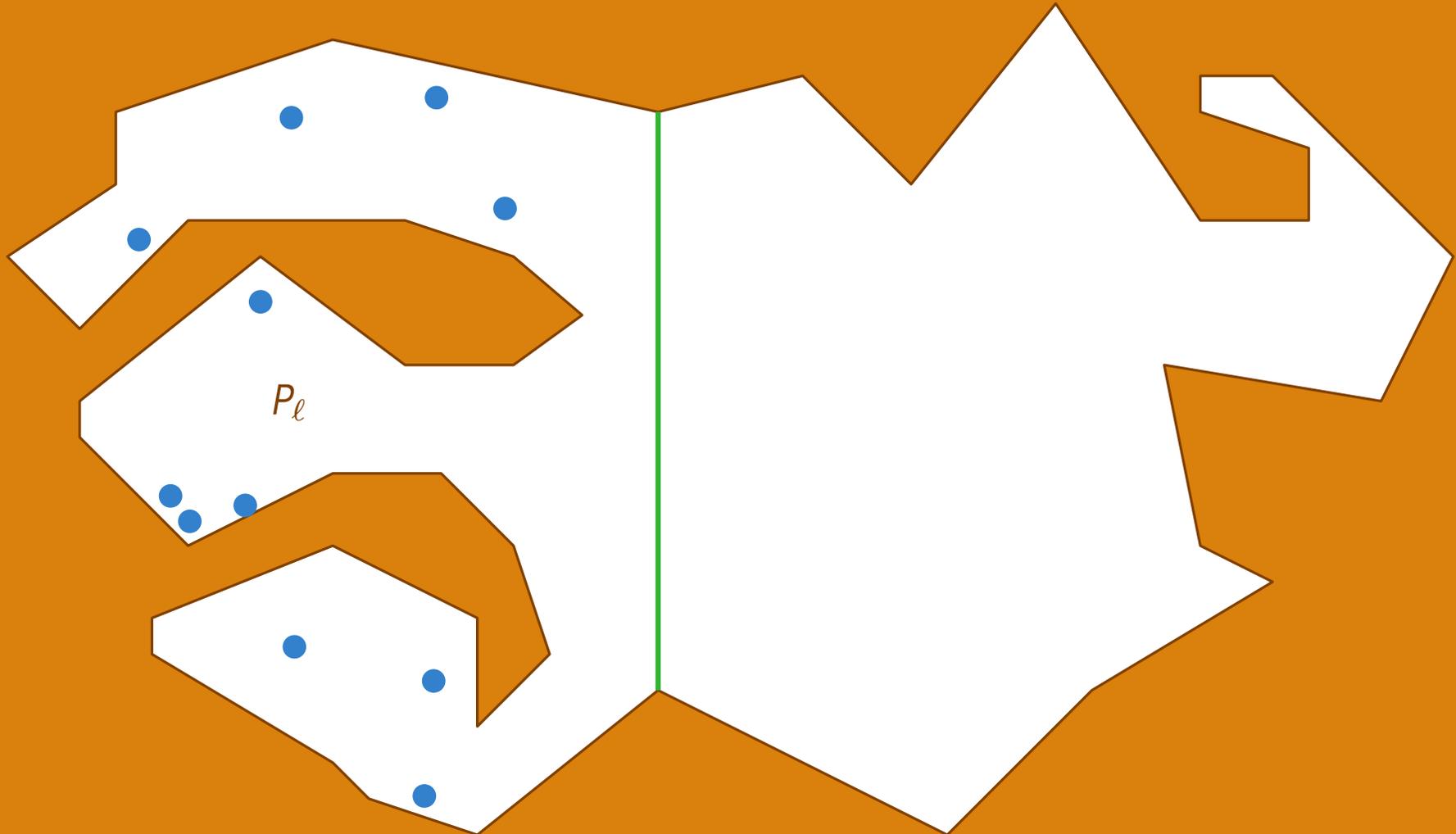
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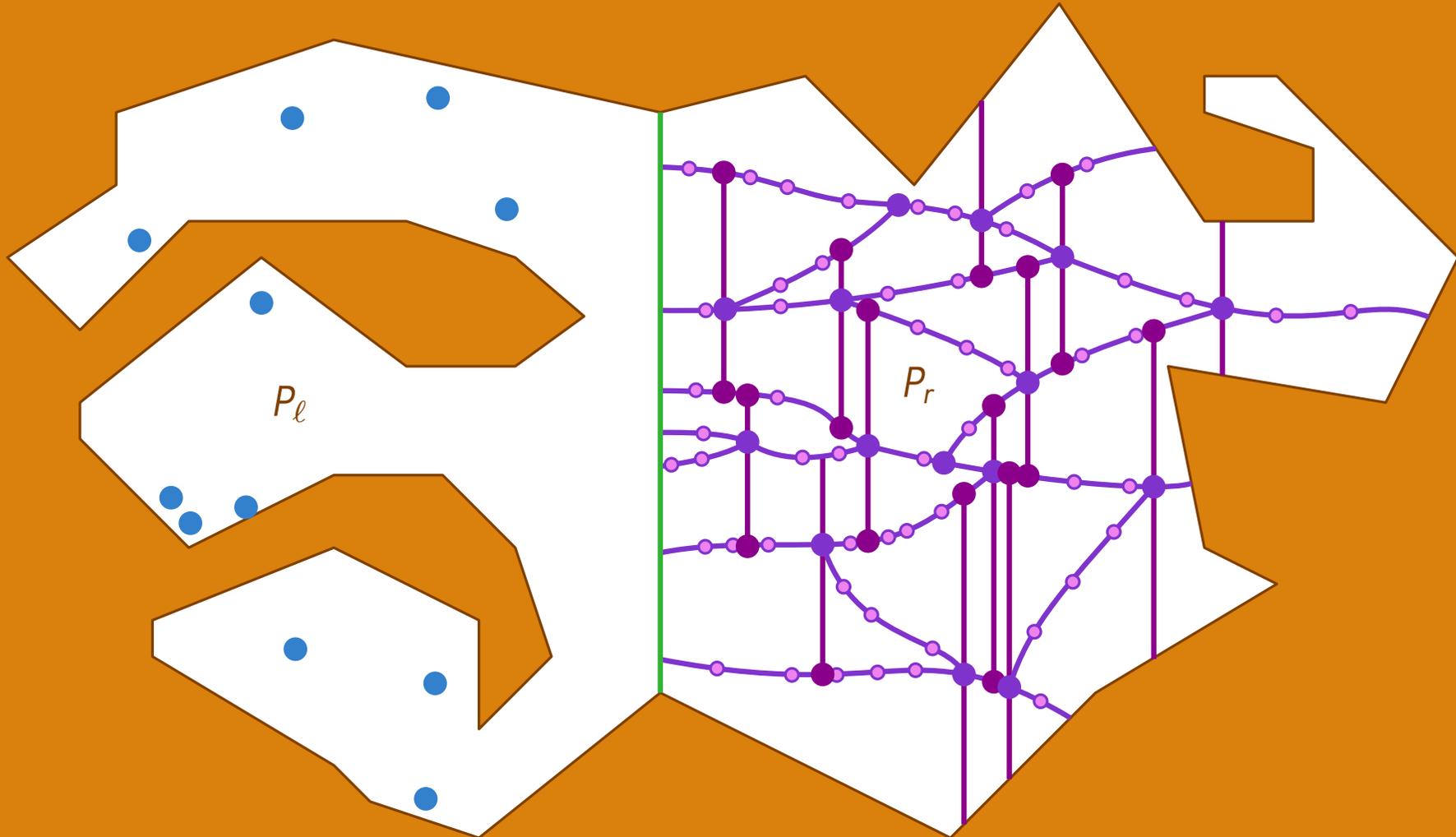
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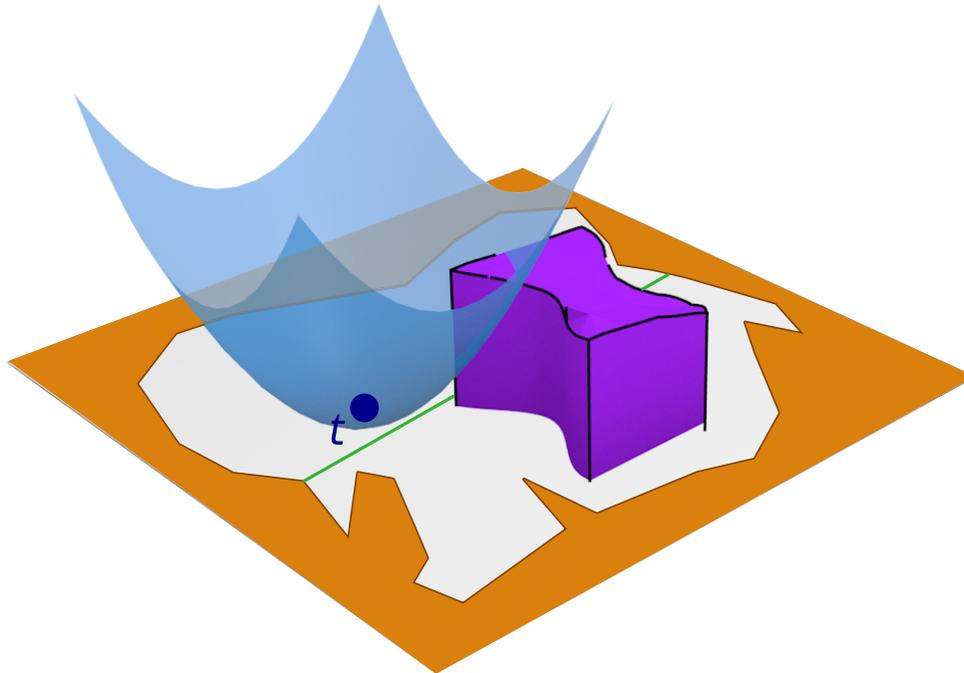
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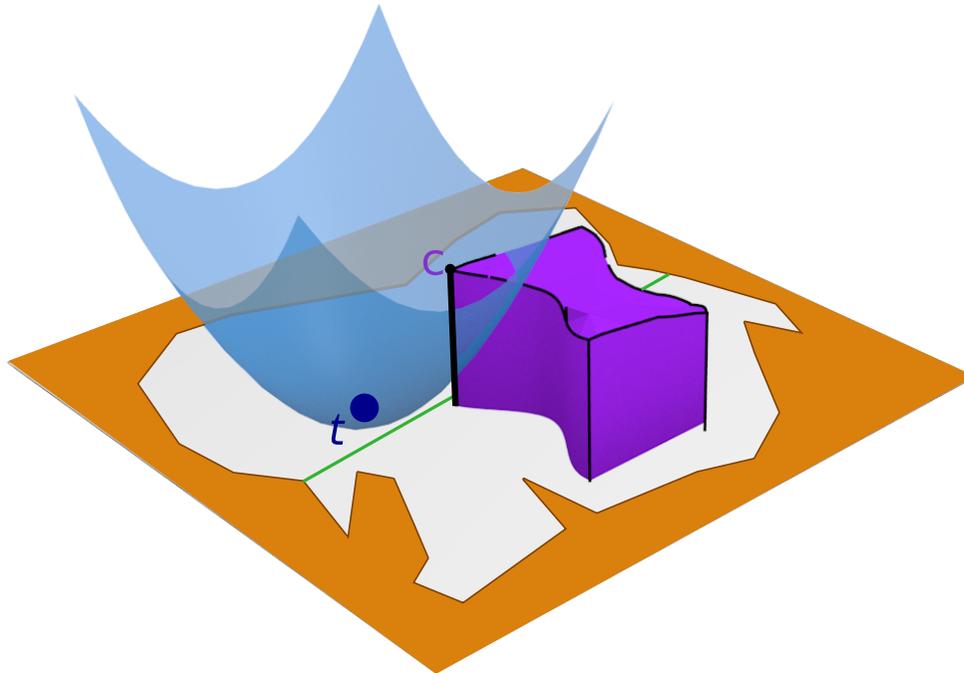
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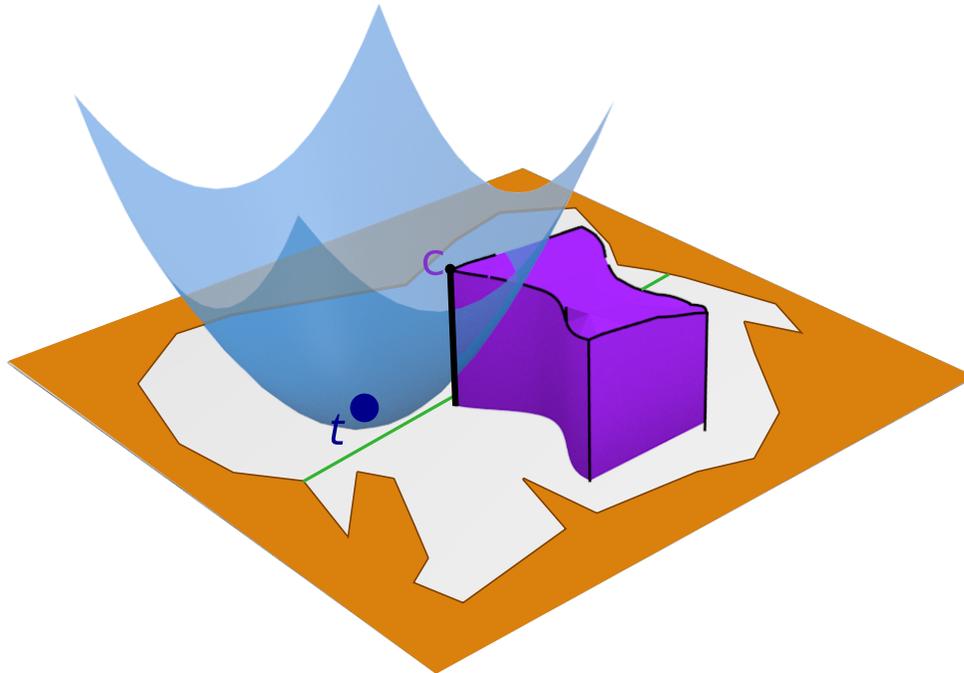


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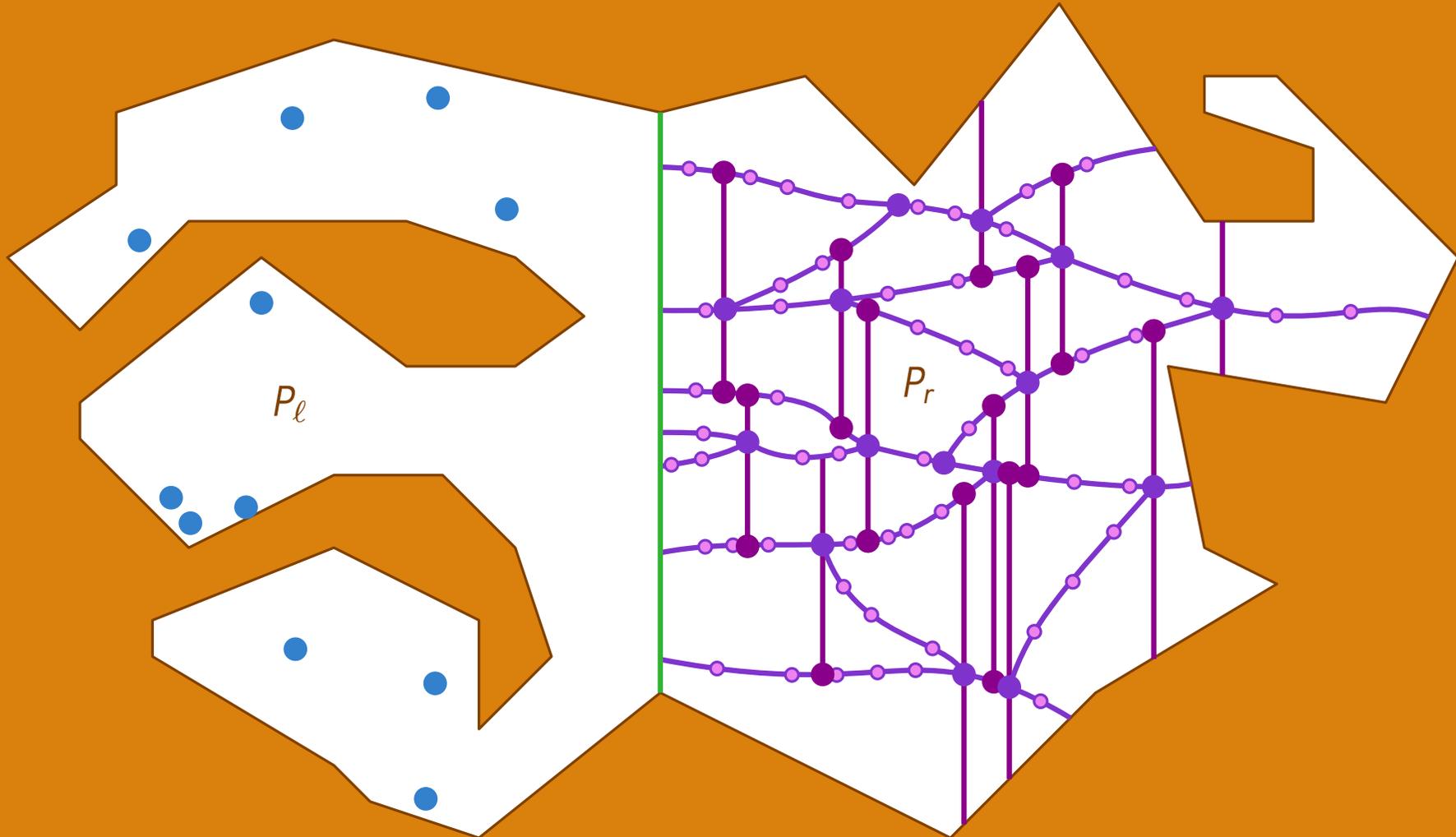
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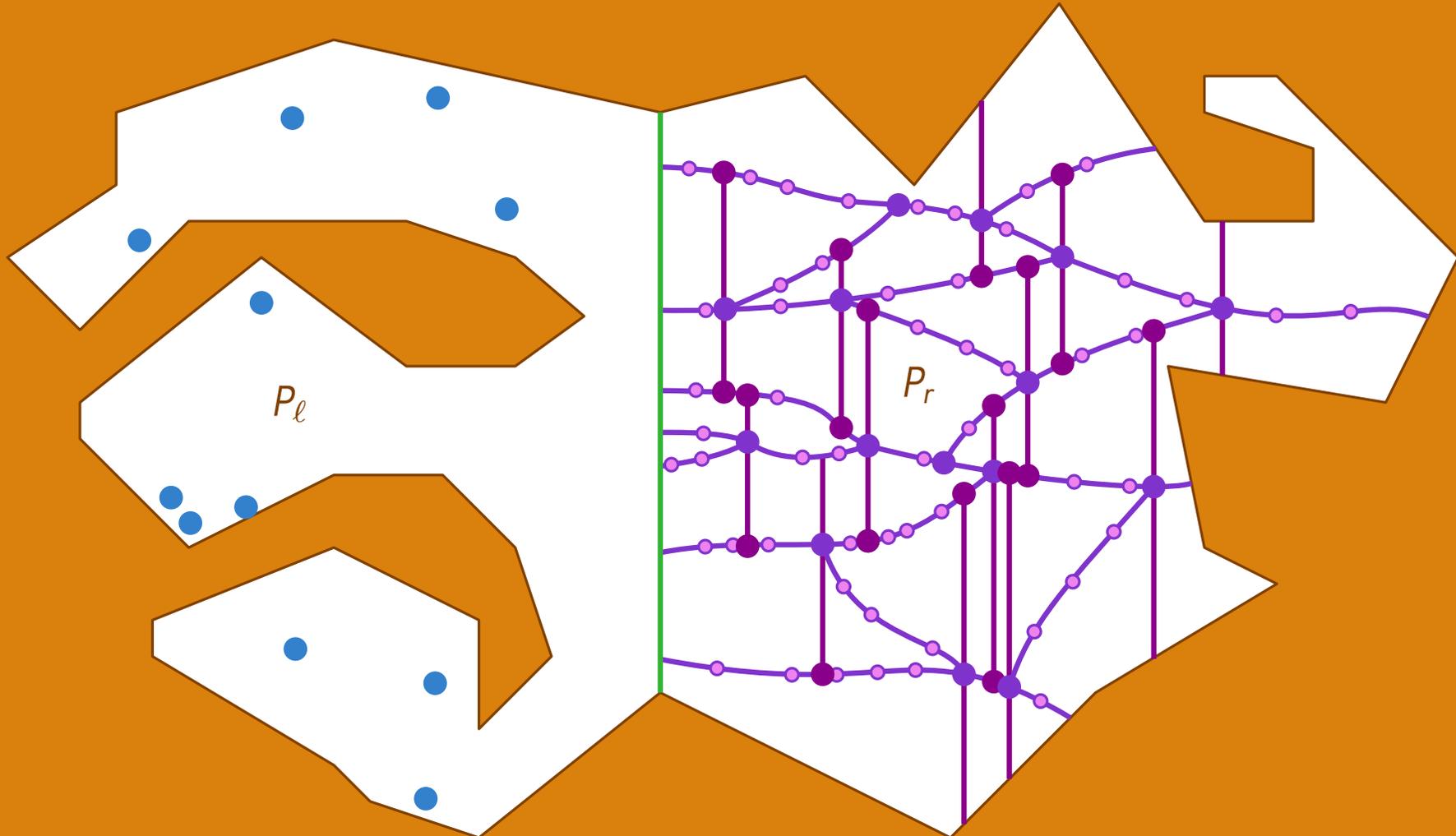


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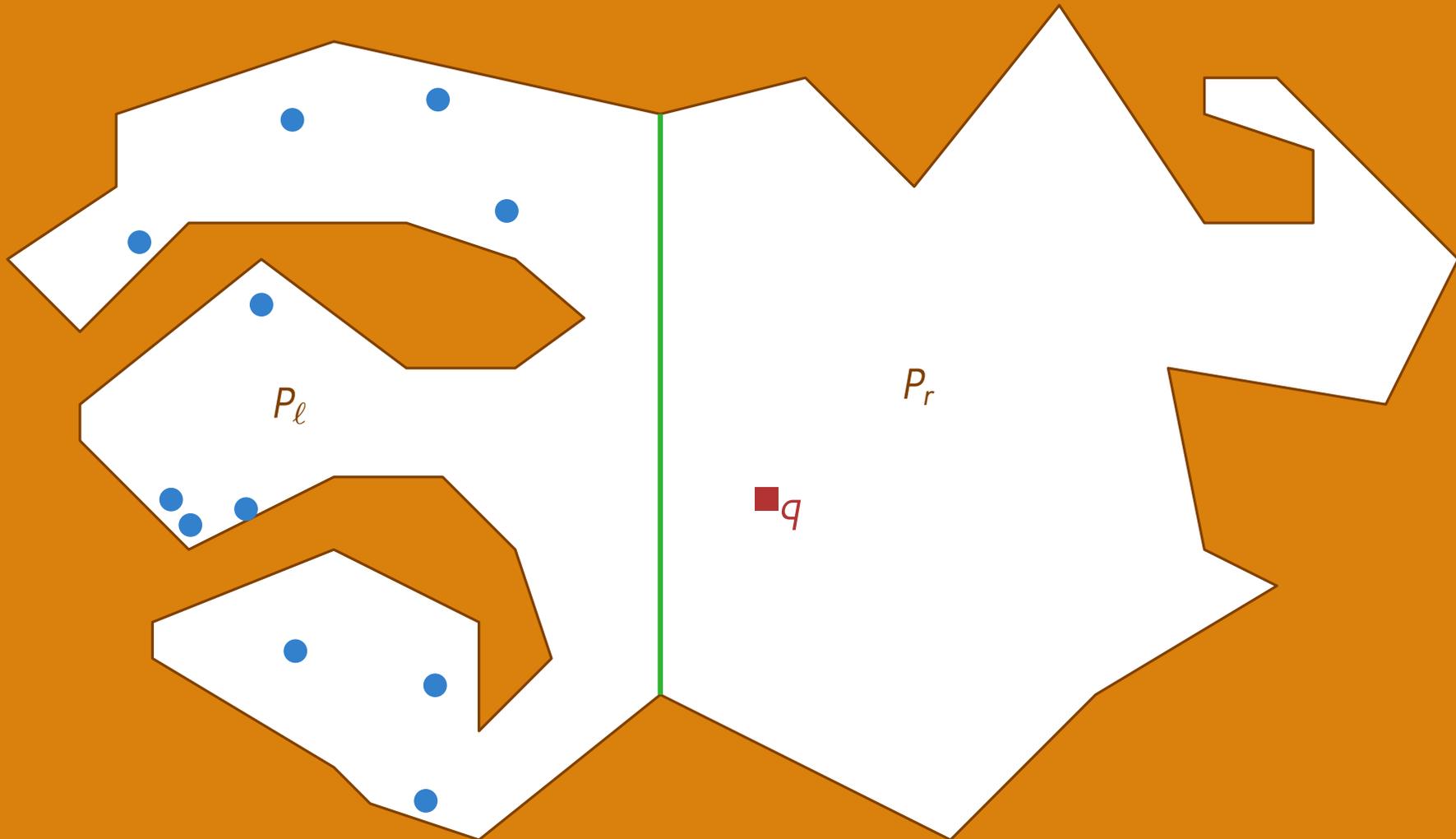
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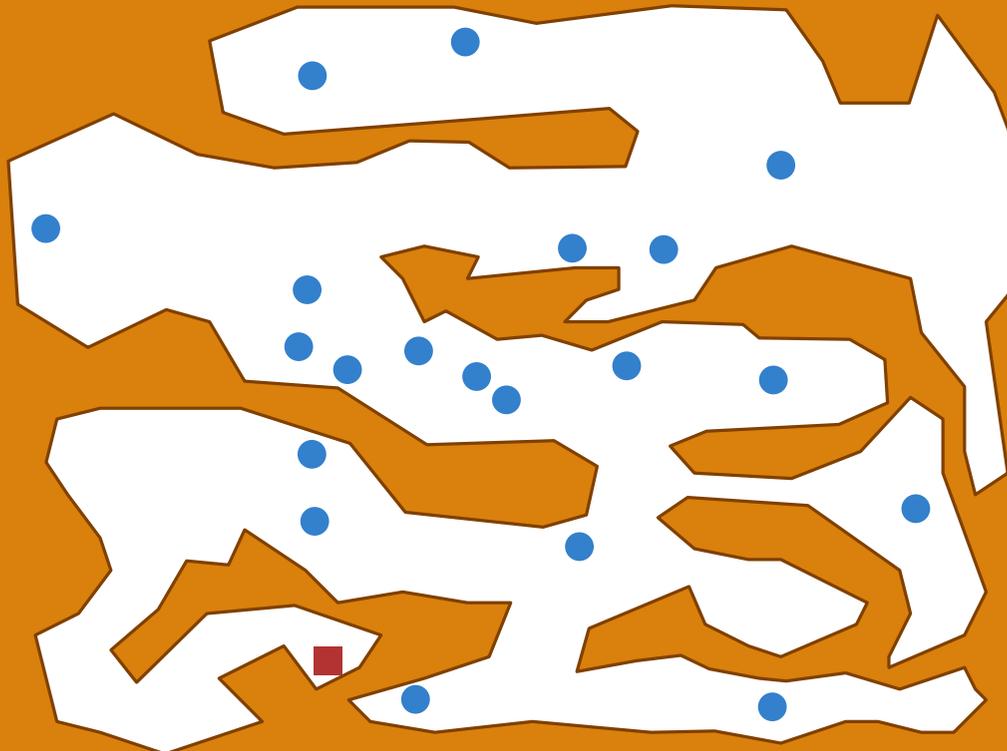
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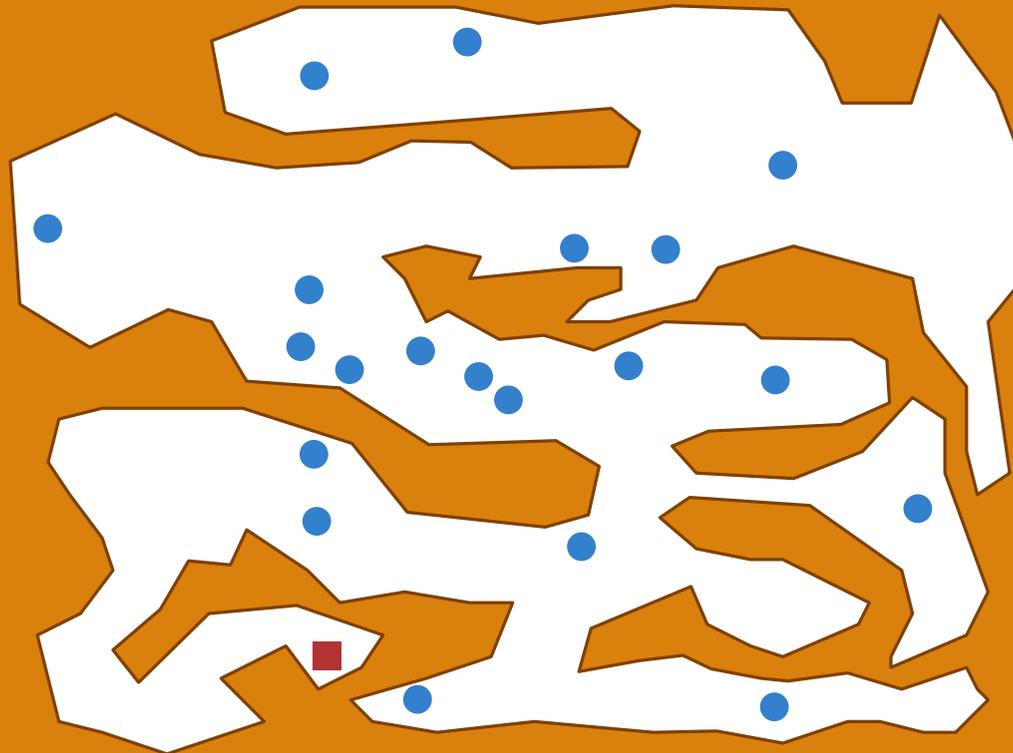
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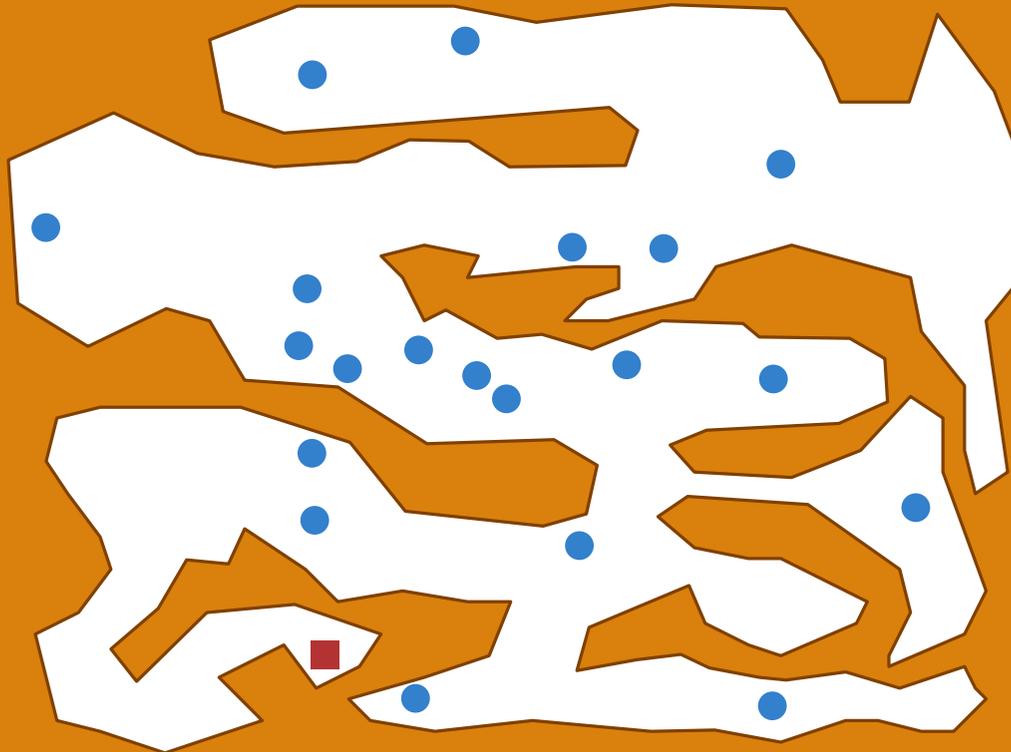


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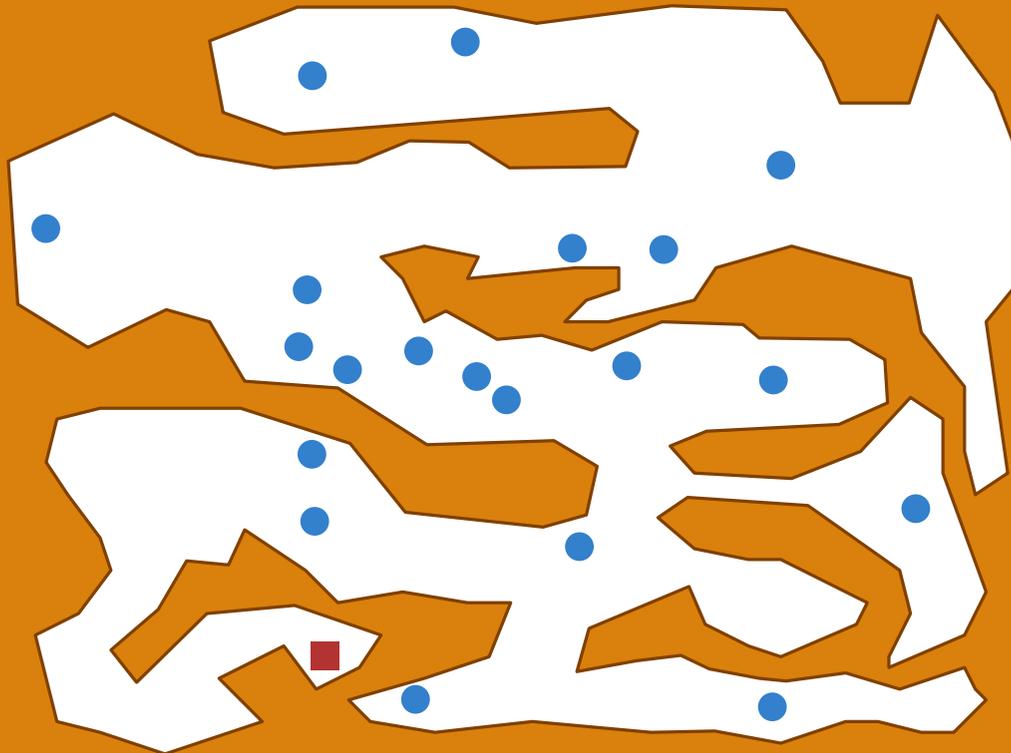
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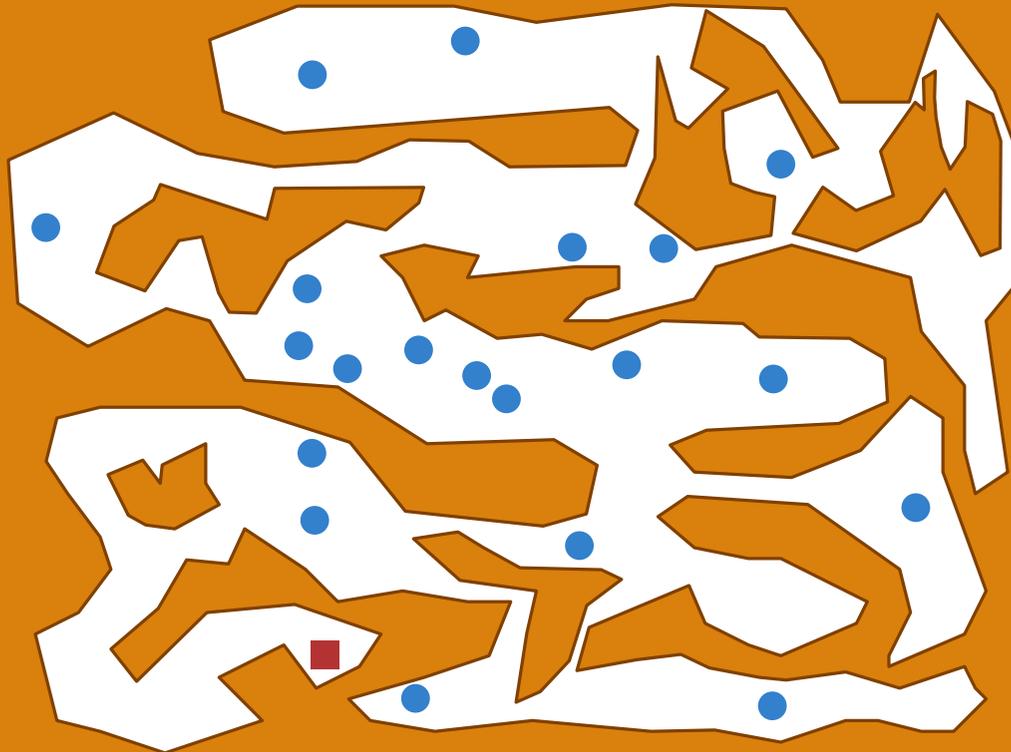


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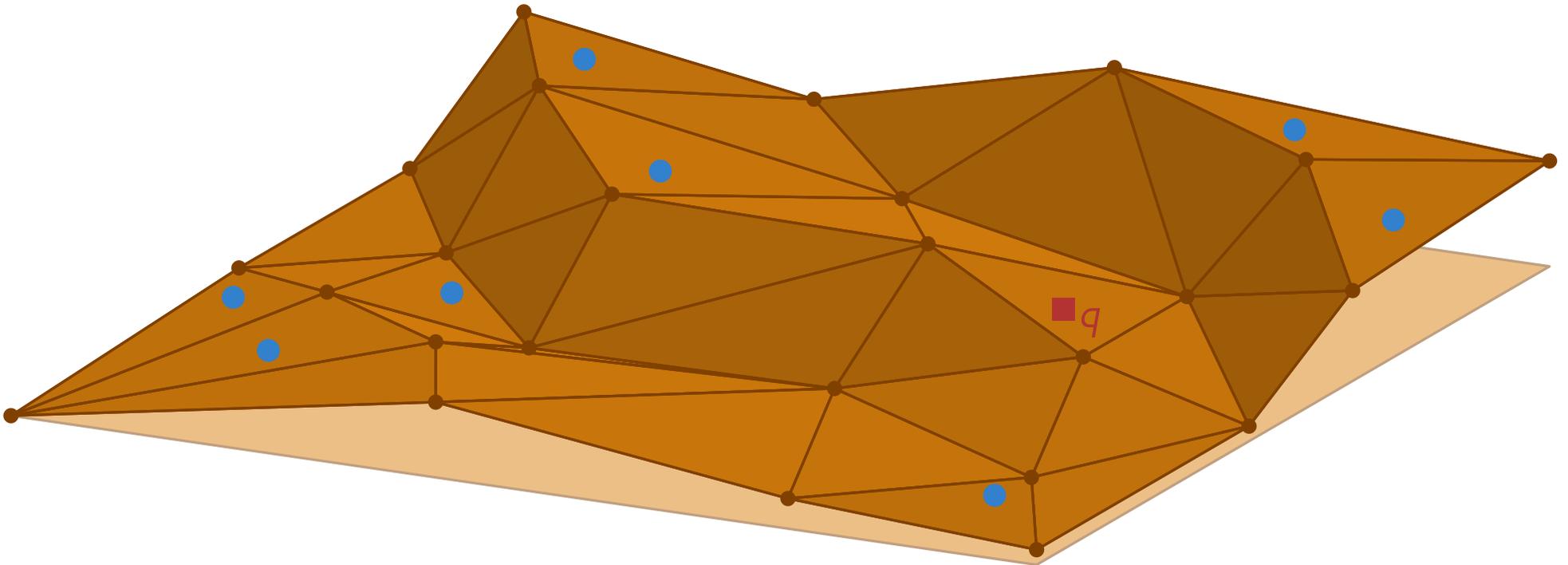


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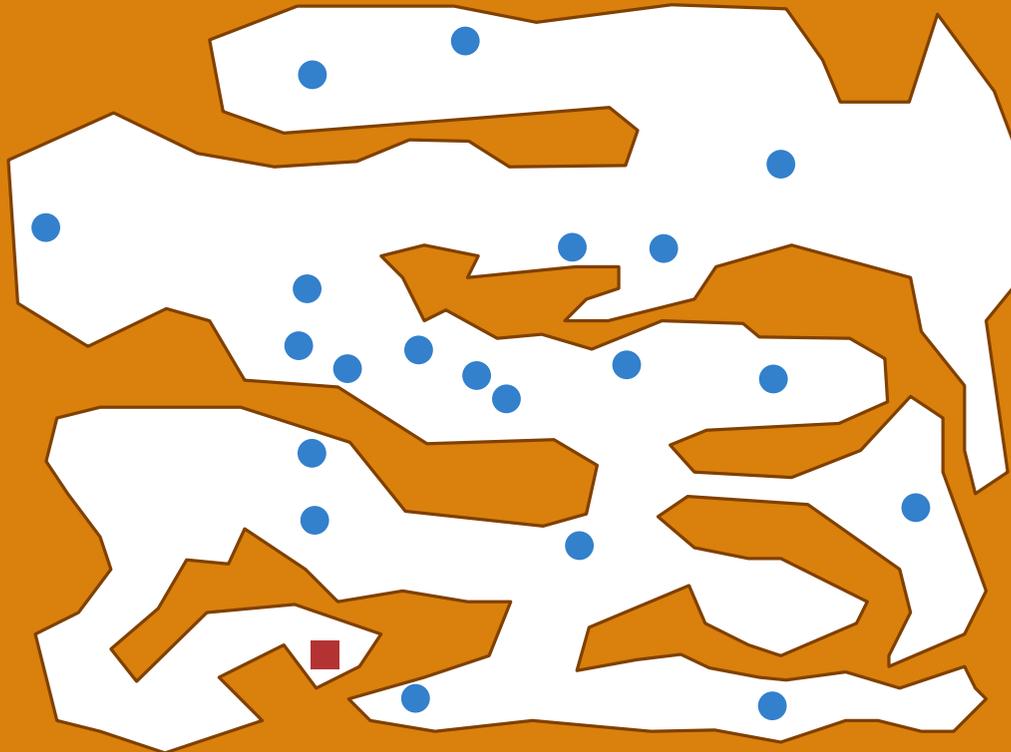
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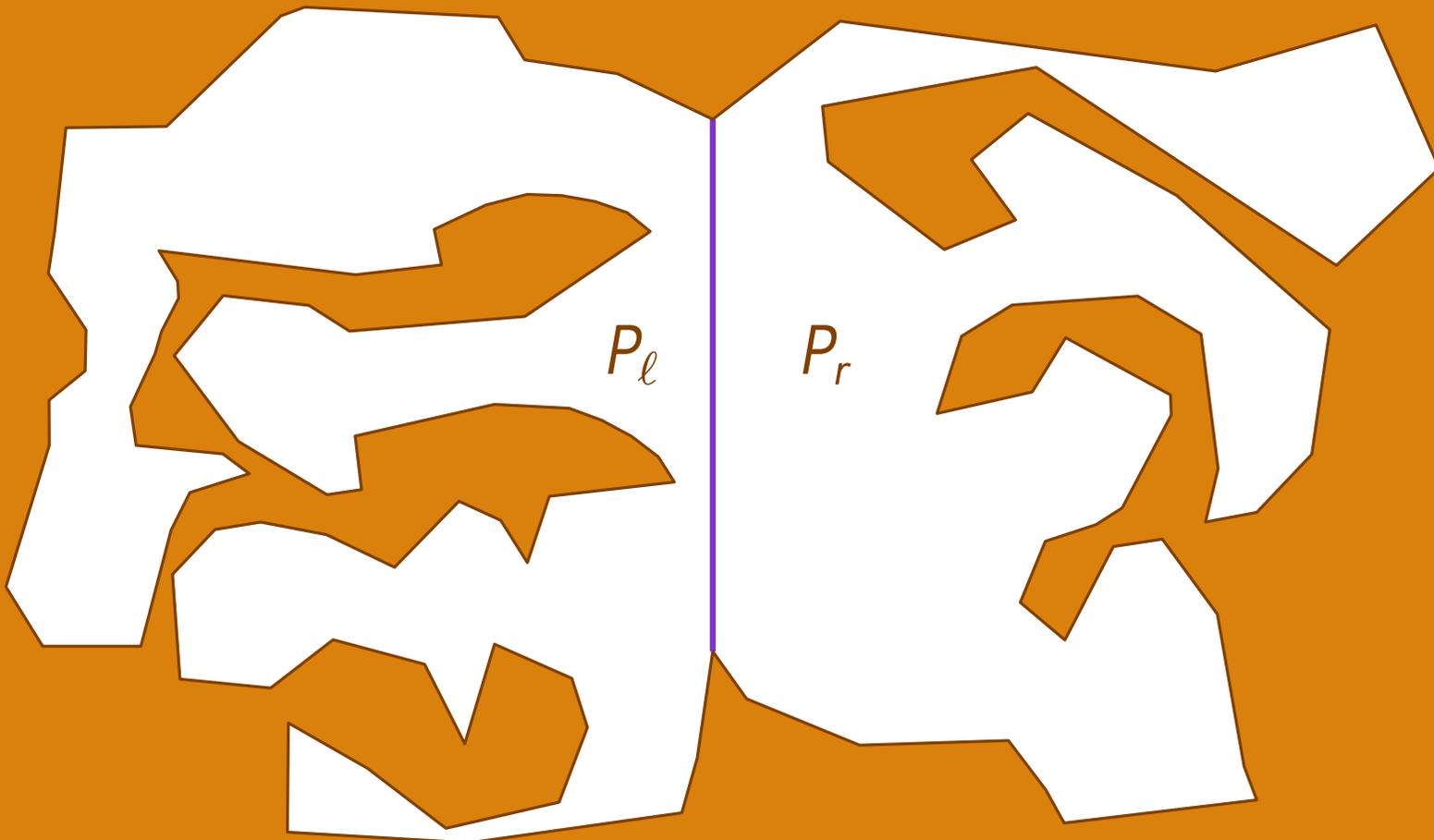
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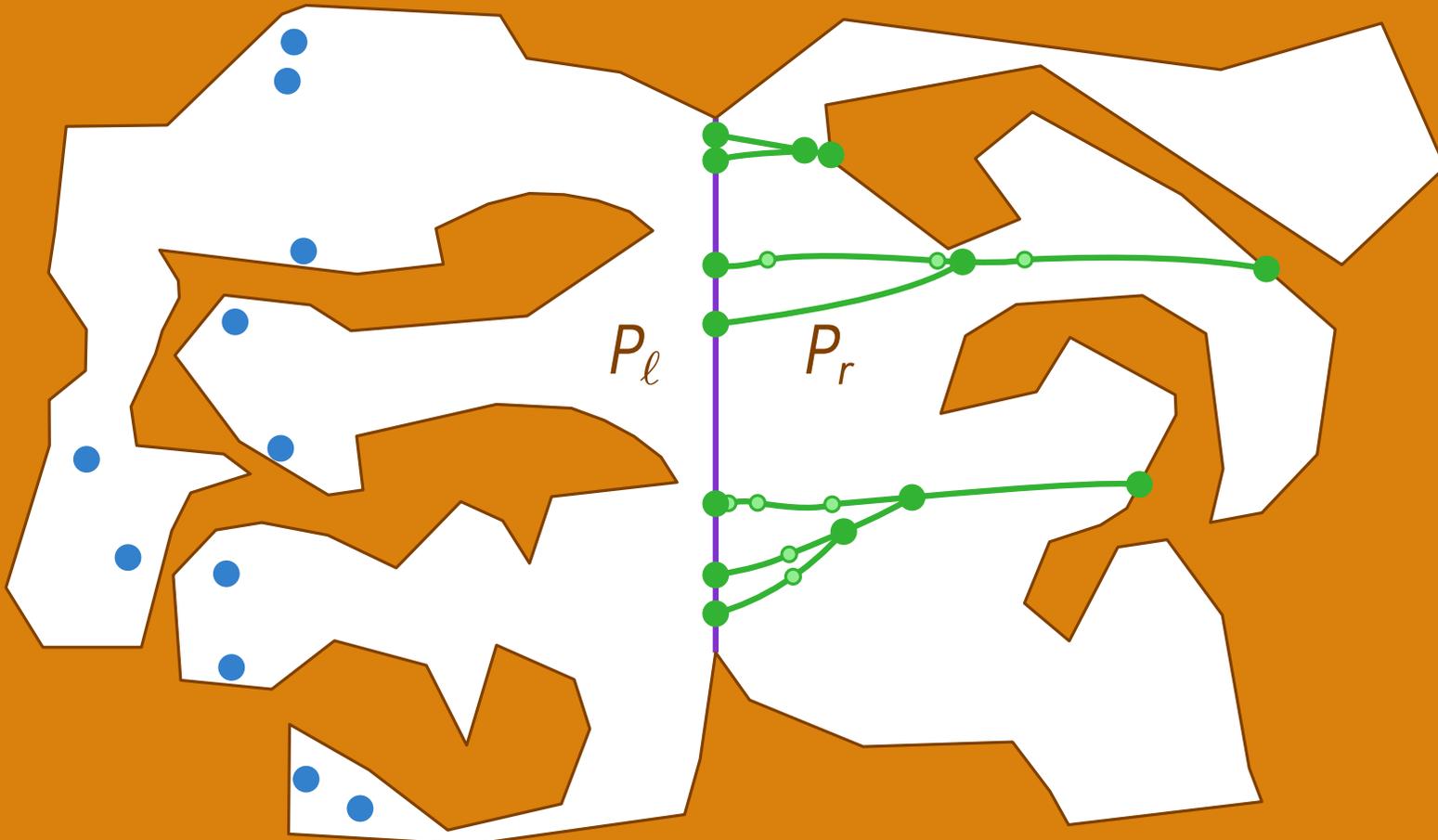
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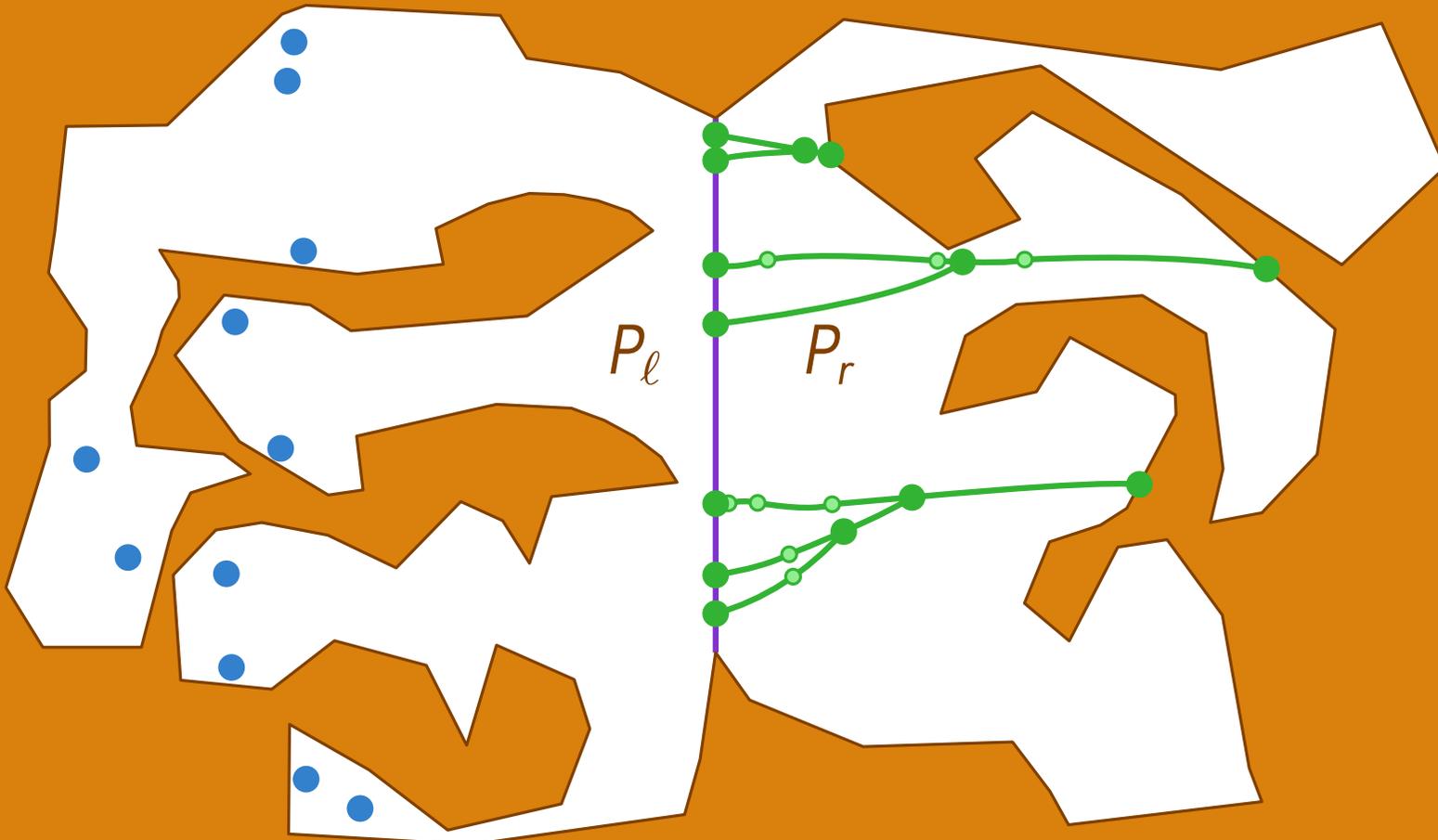


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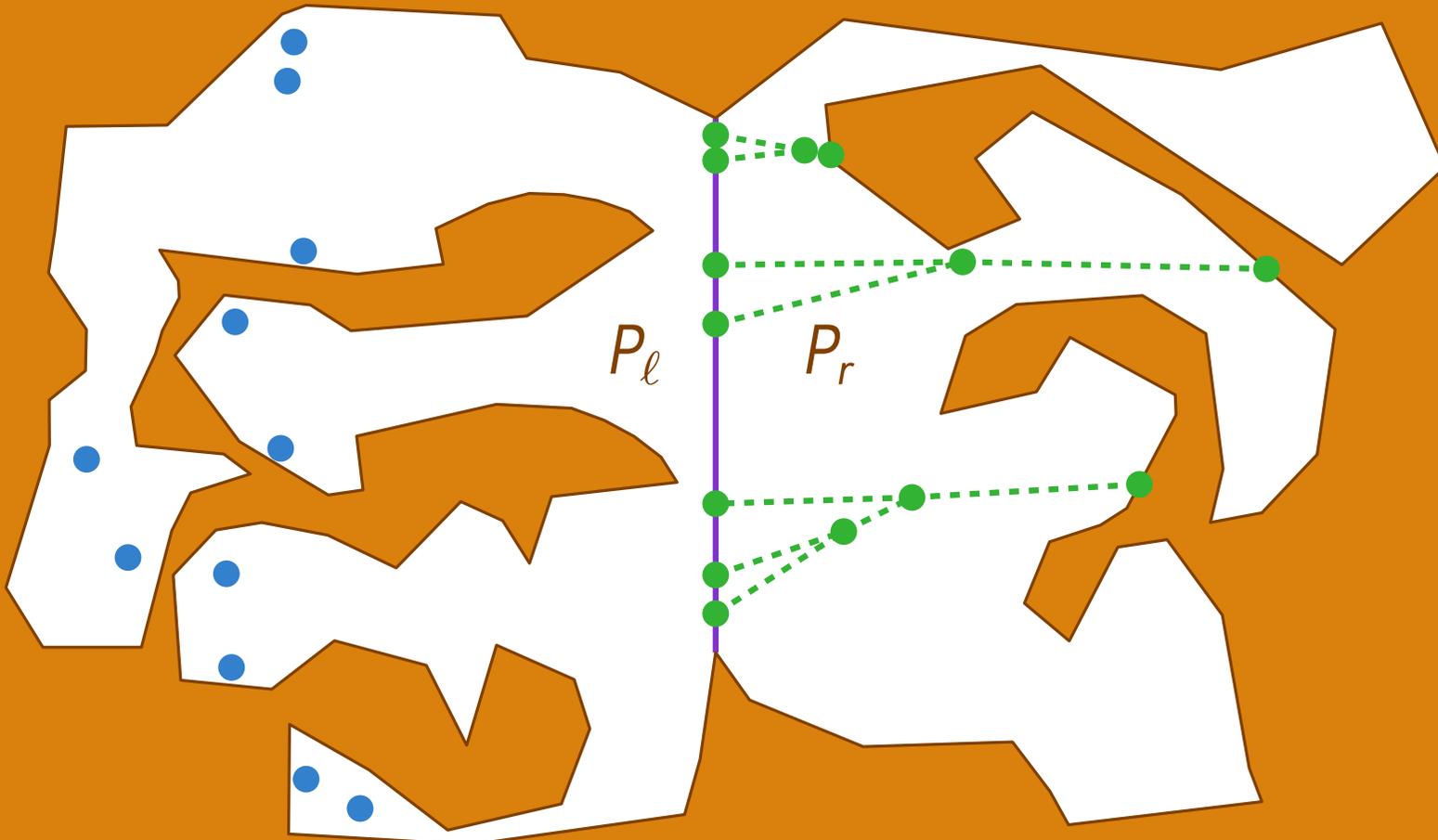


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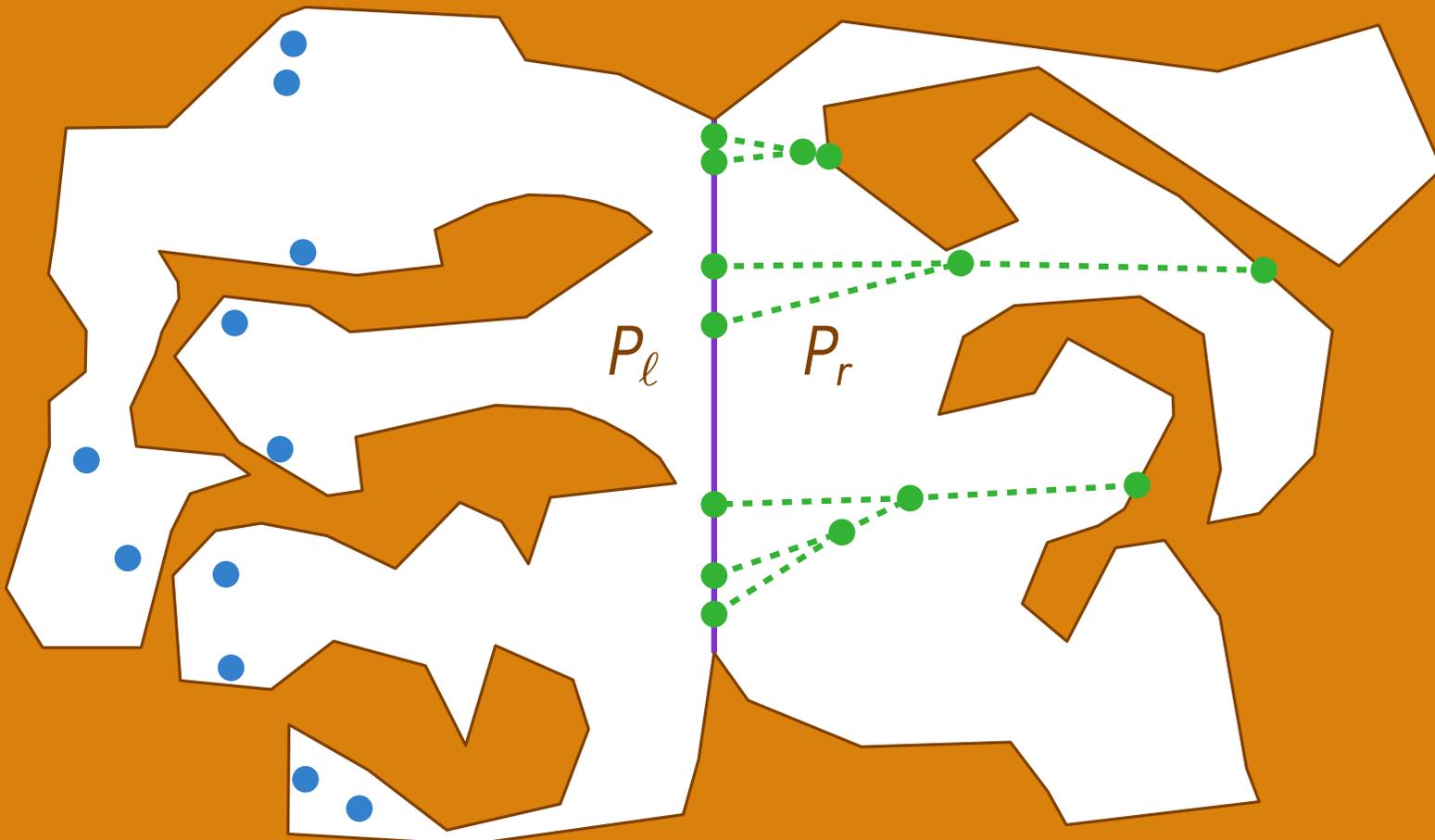
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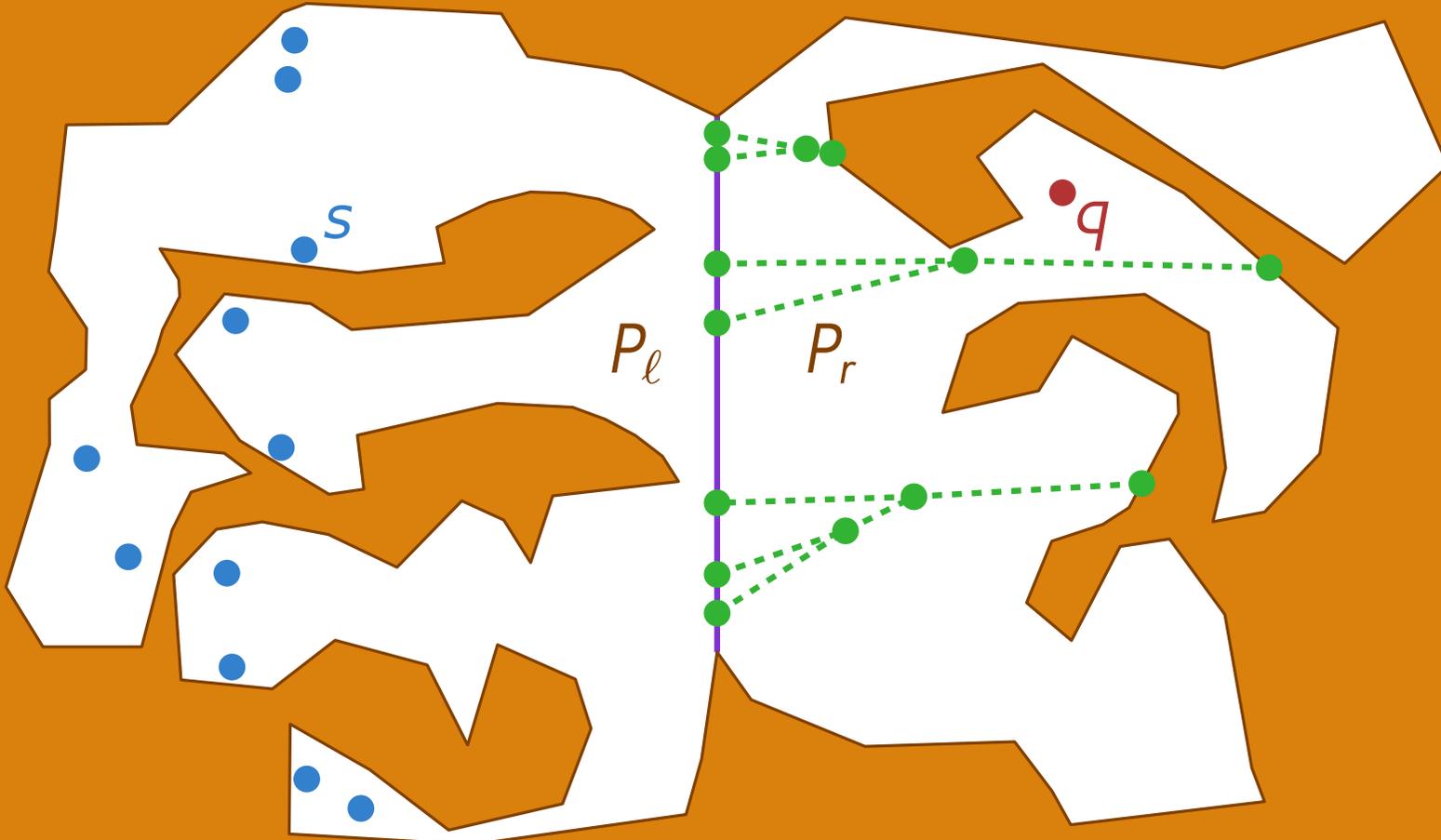
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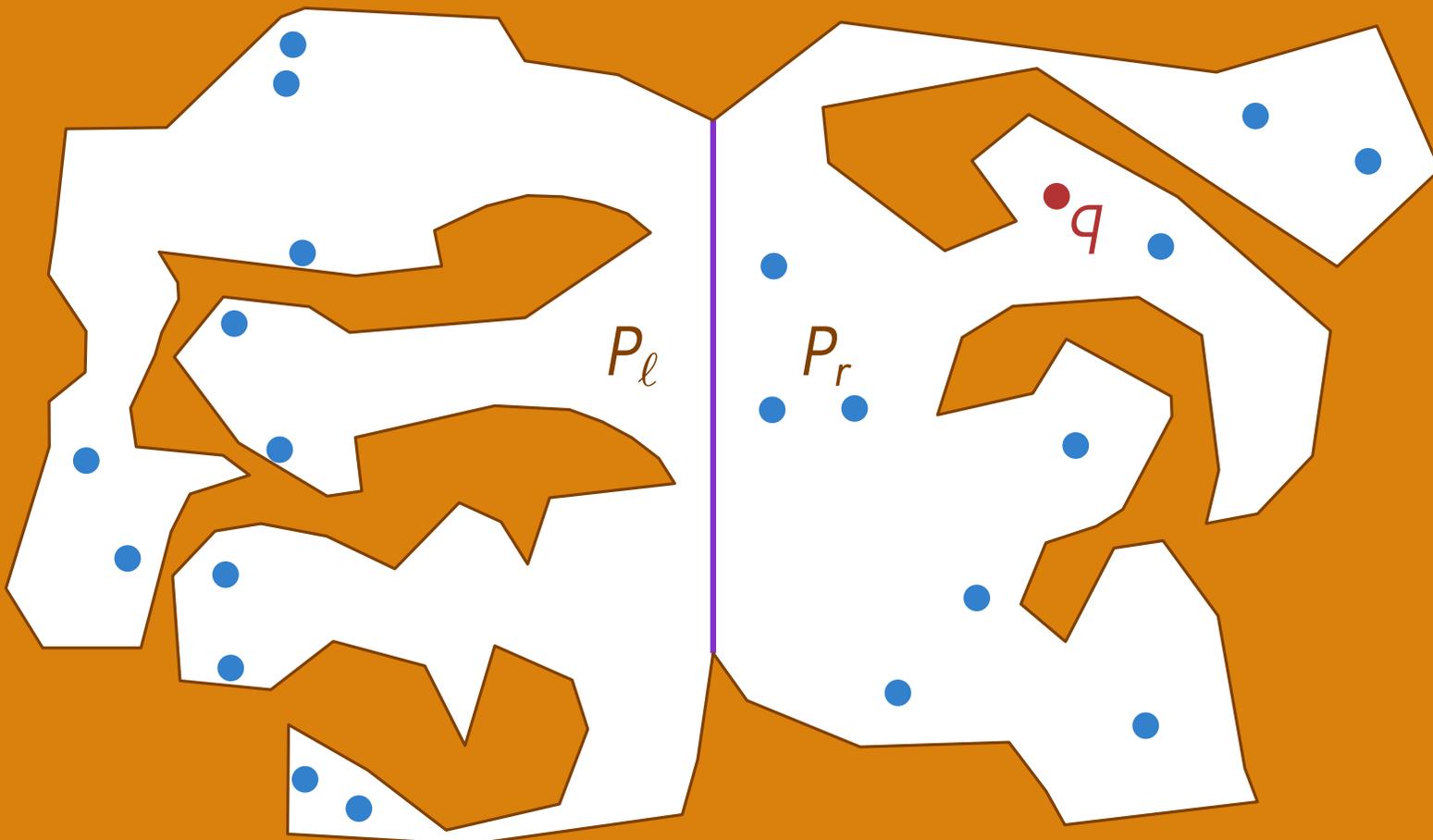
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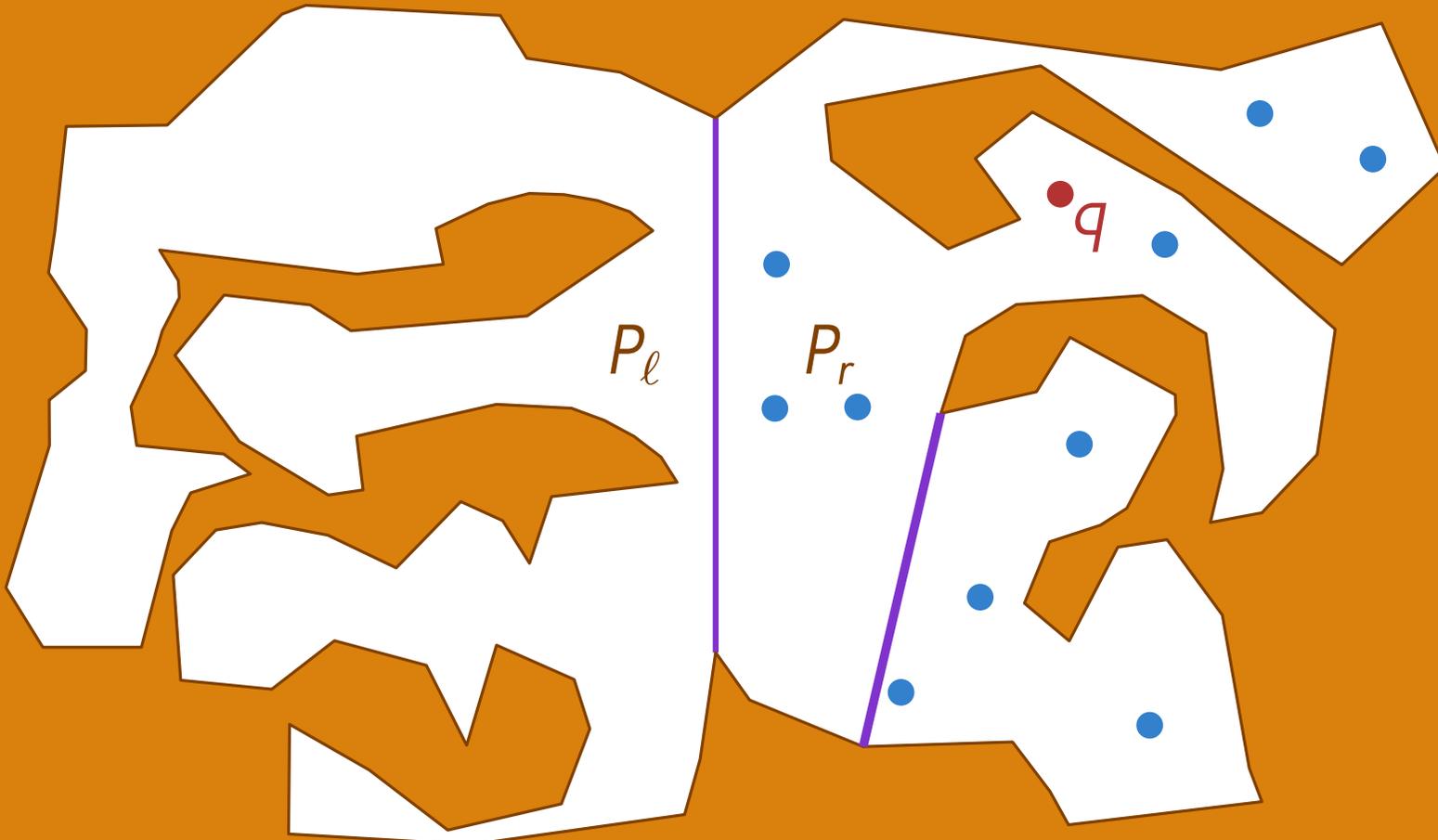
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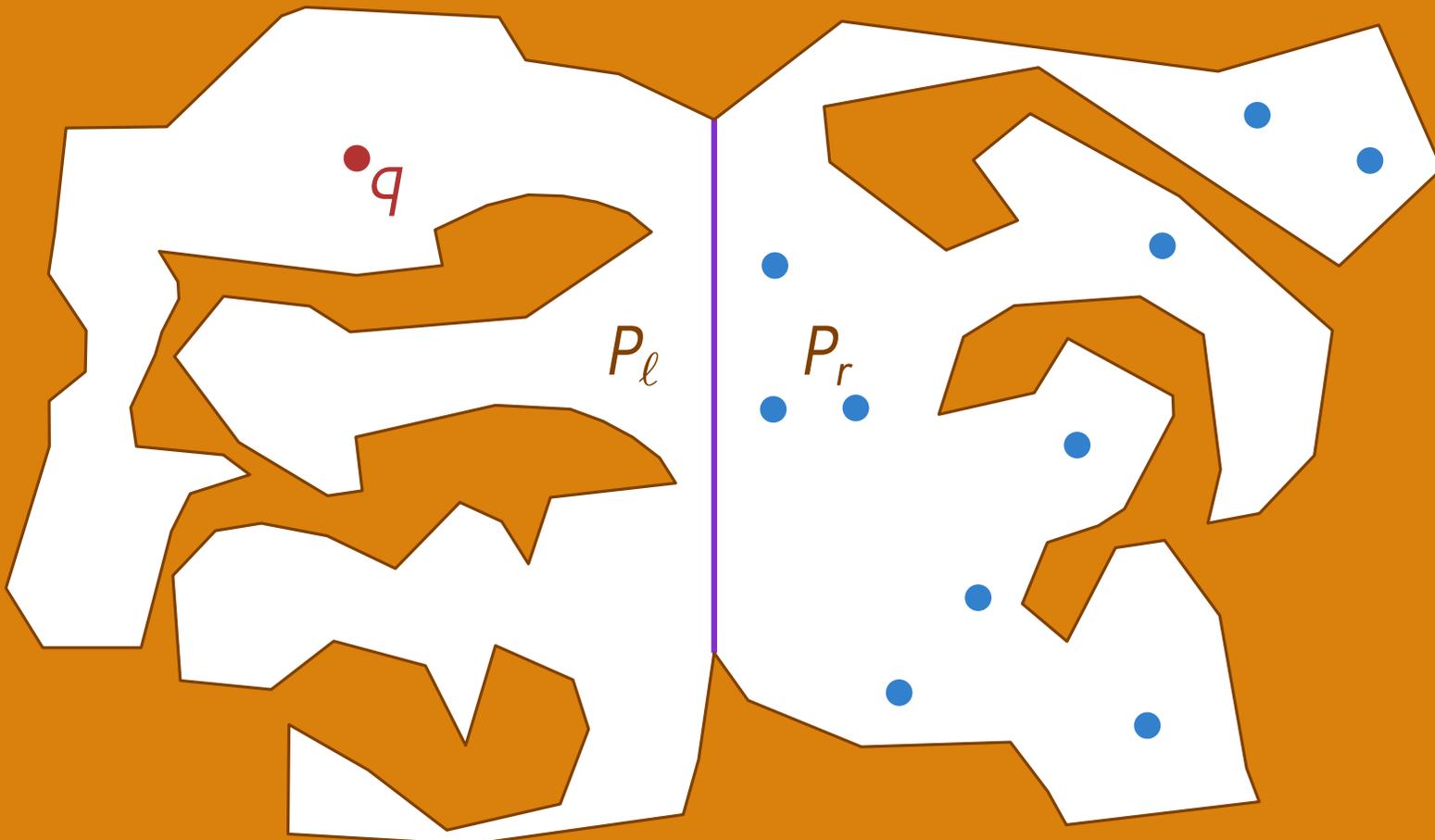
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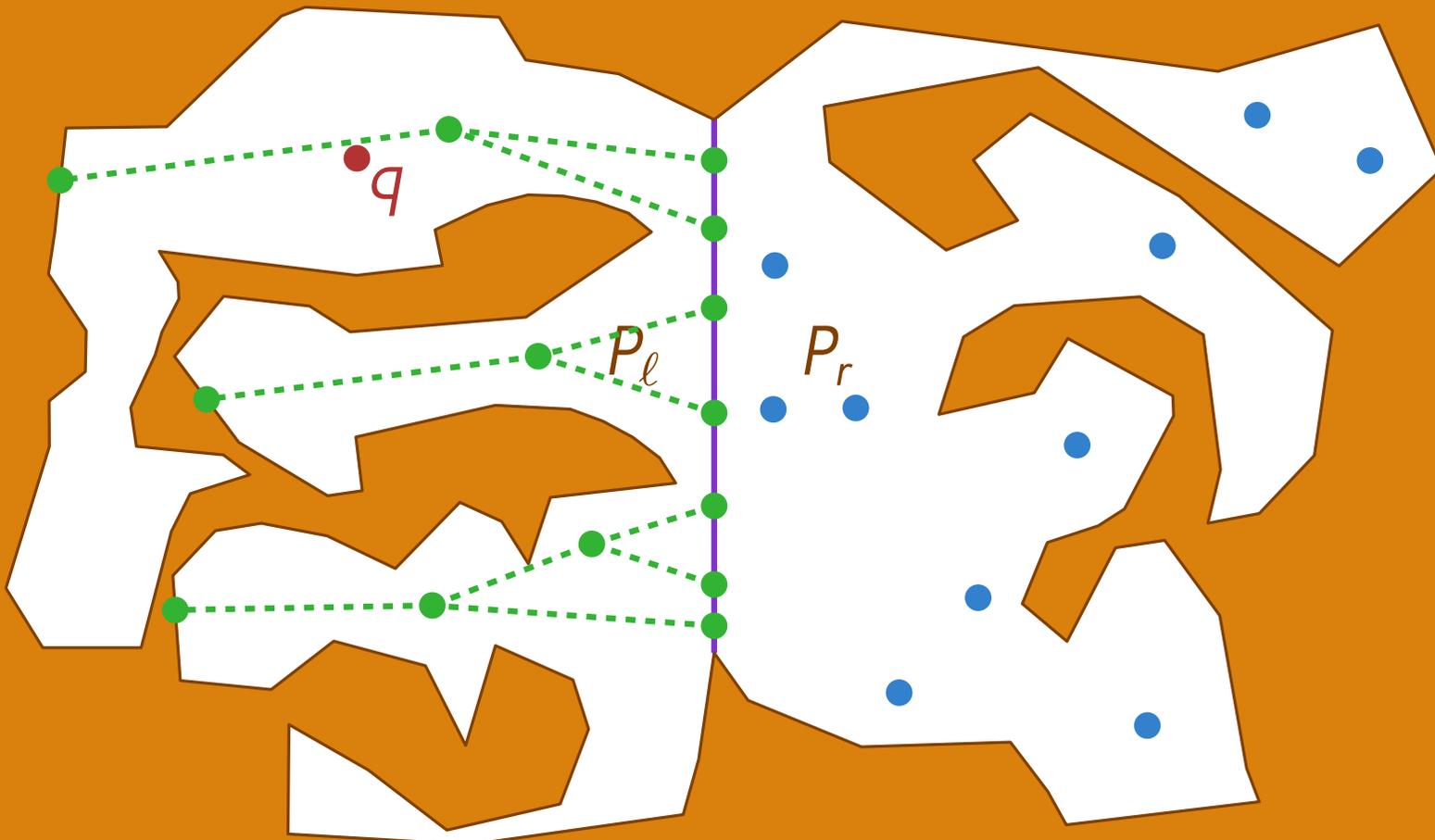
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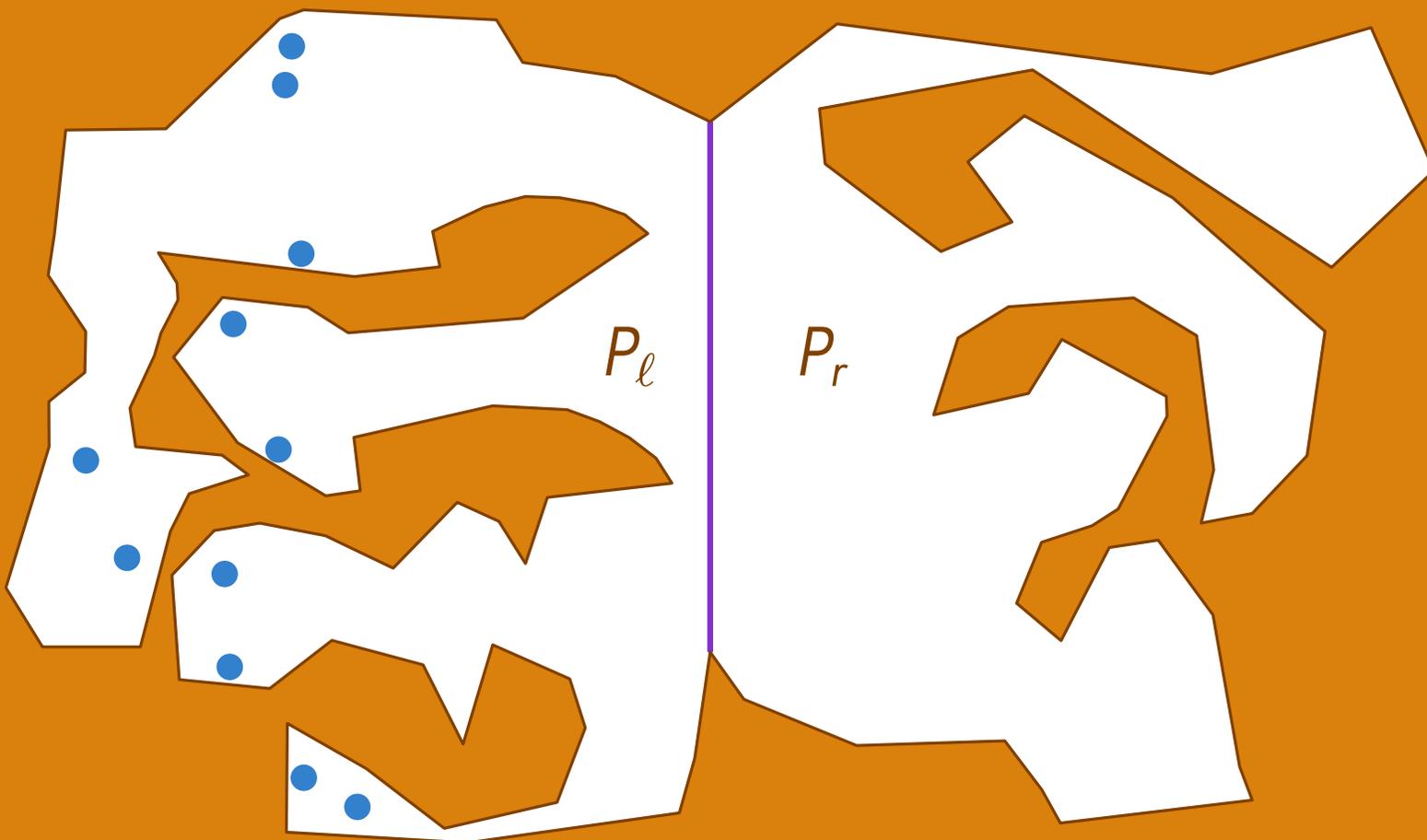
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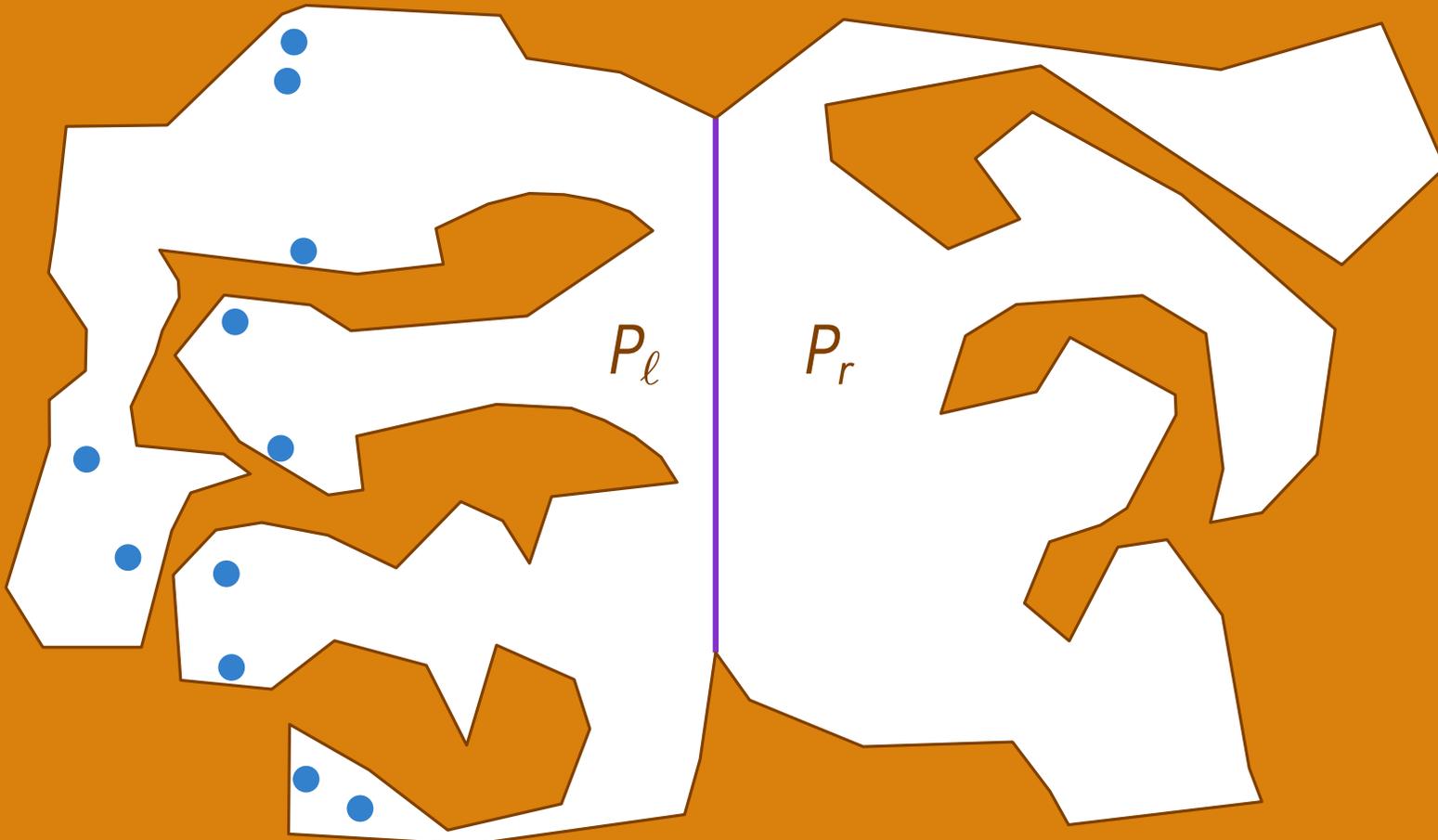
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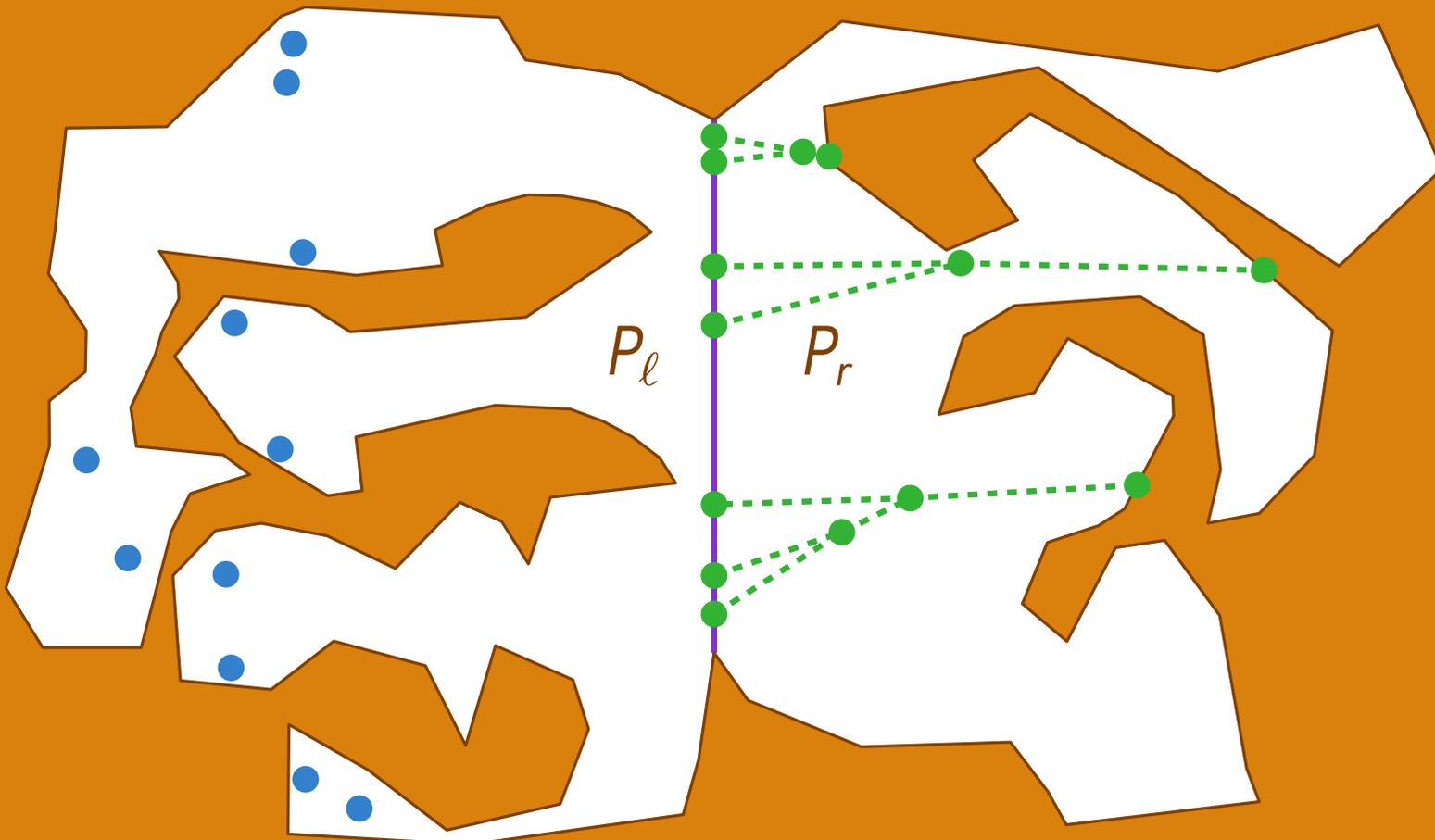
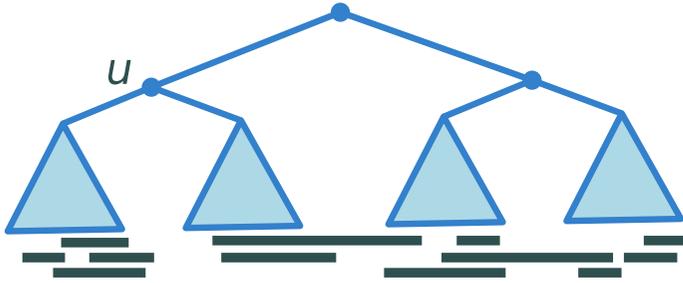


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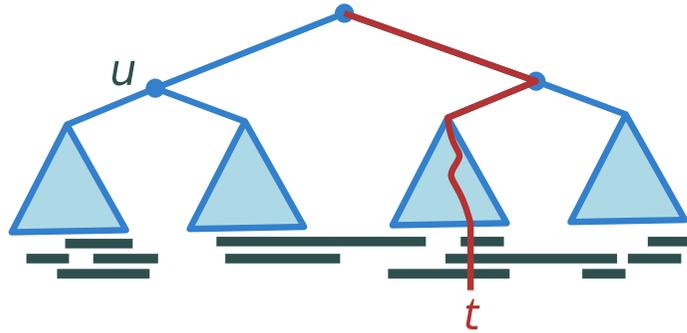
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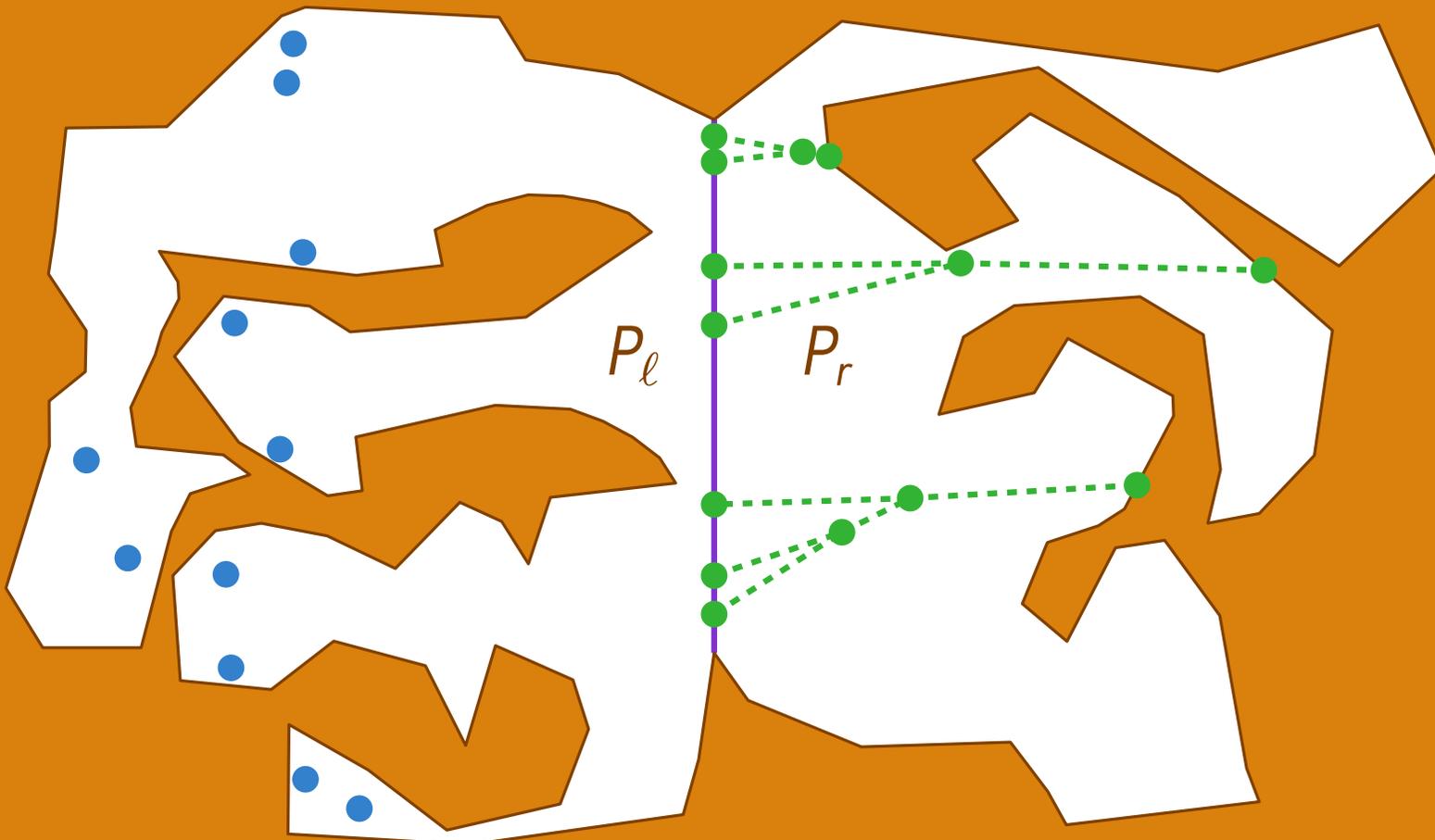
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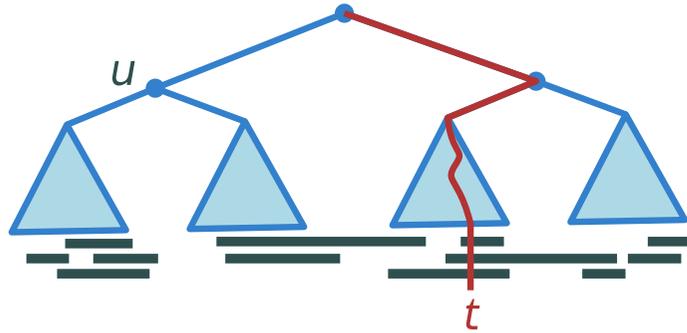
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