MSBVH: An Efficient Acceleration Data Structure for Ray Traced Motion Blur

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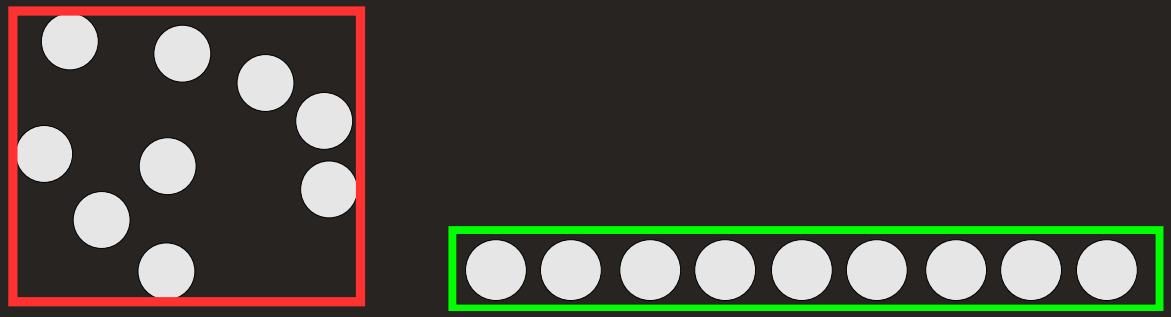

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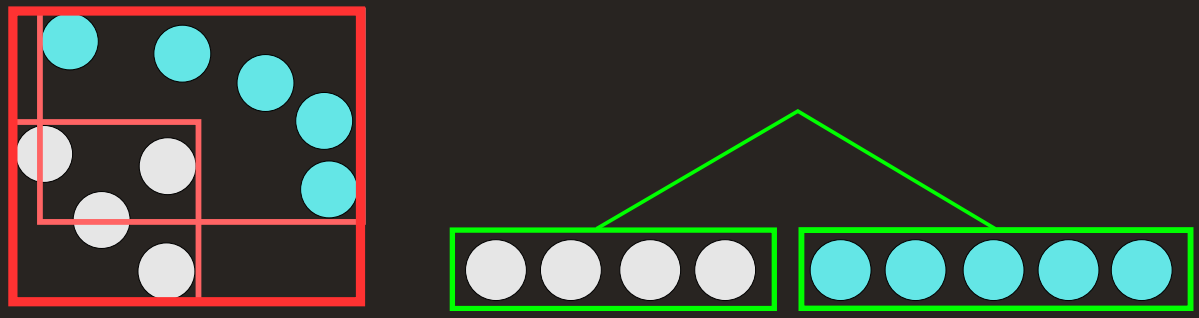

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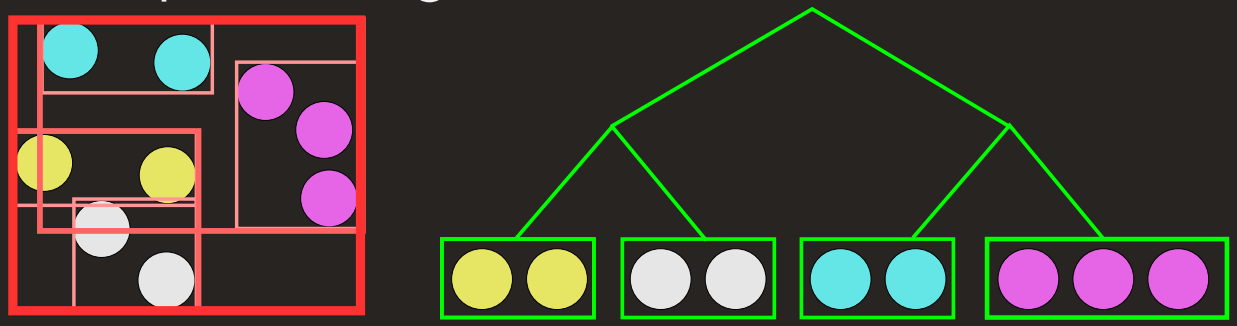

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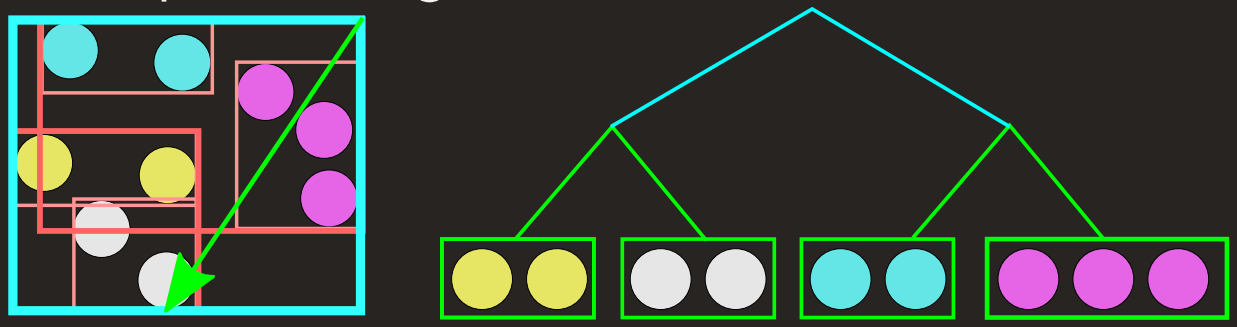

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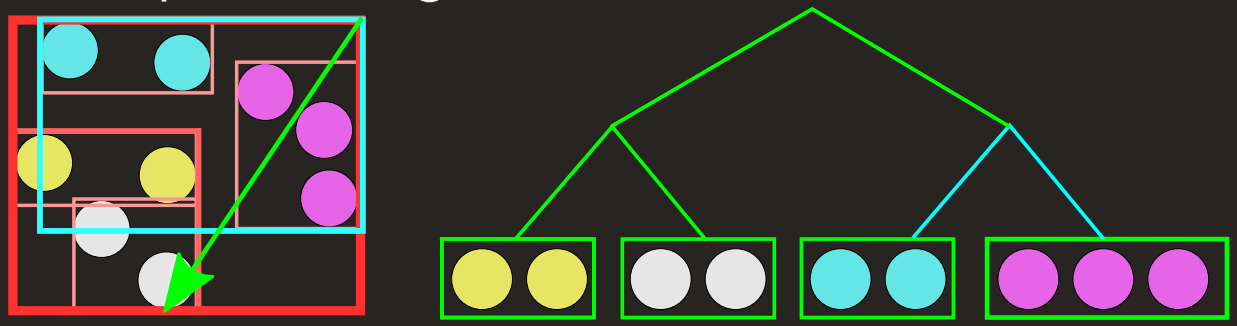

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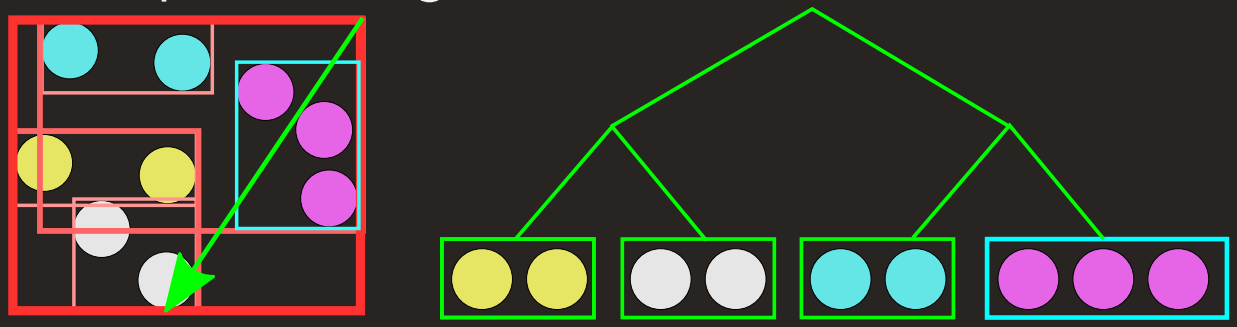

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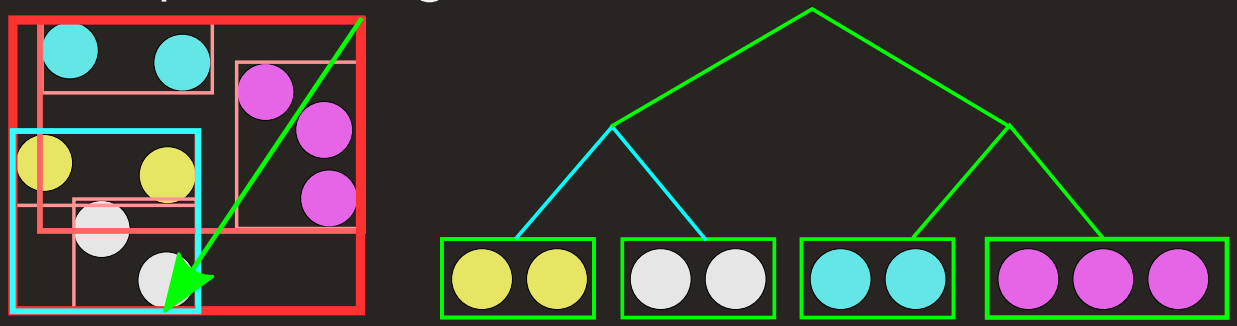

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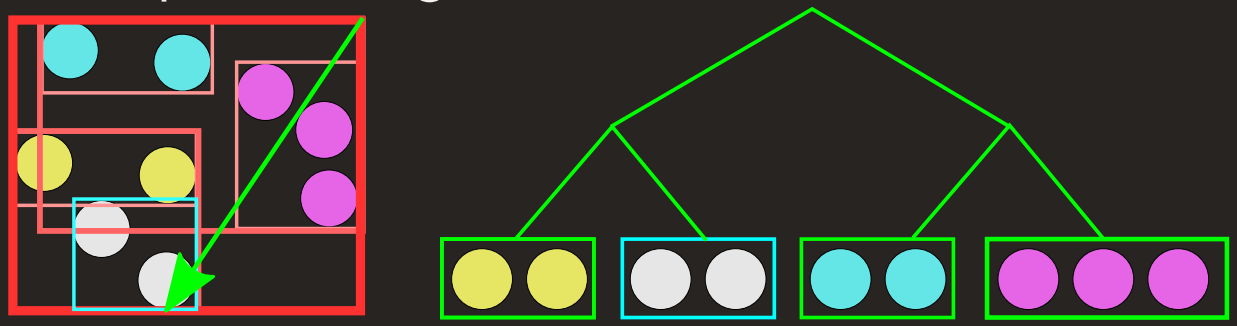

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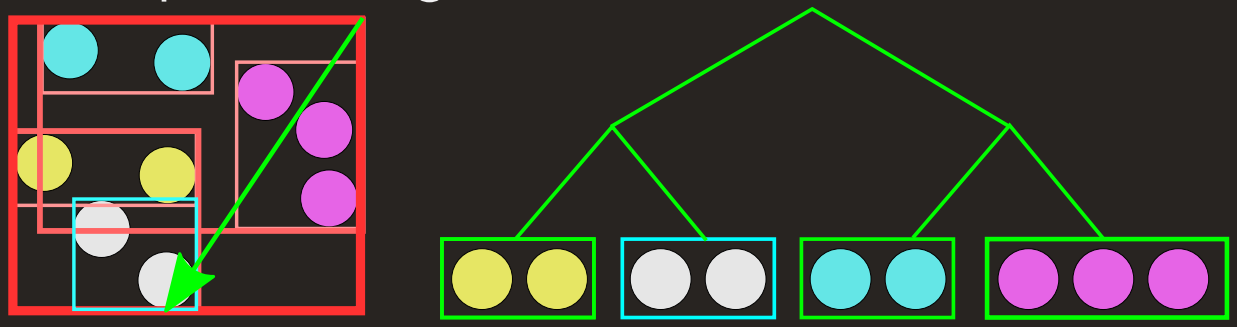

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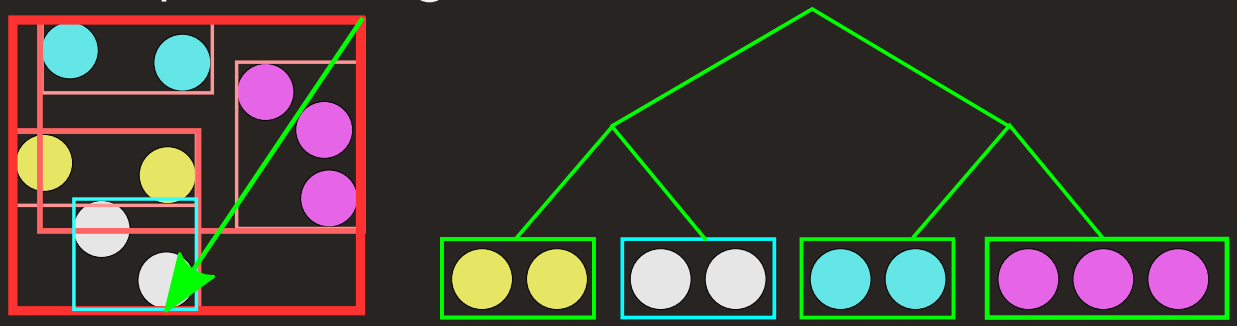

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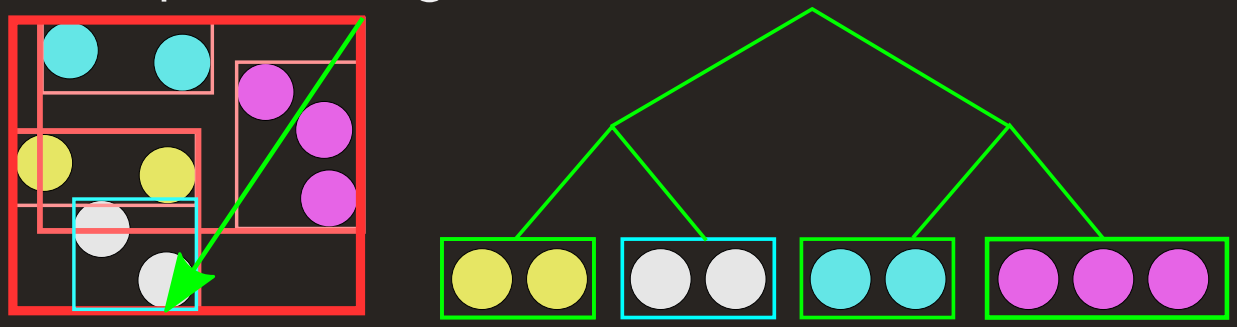

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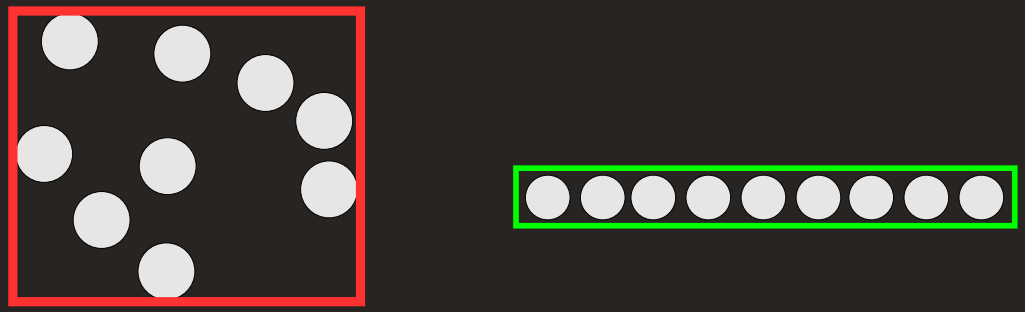

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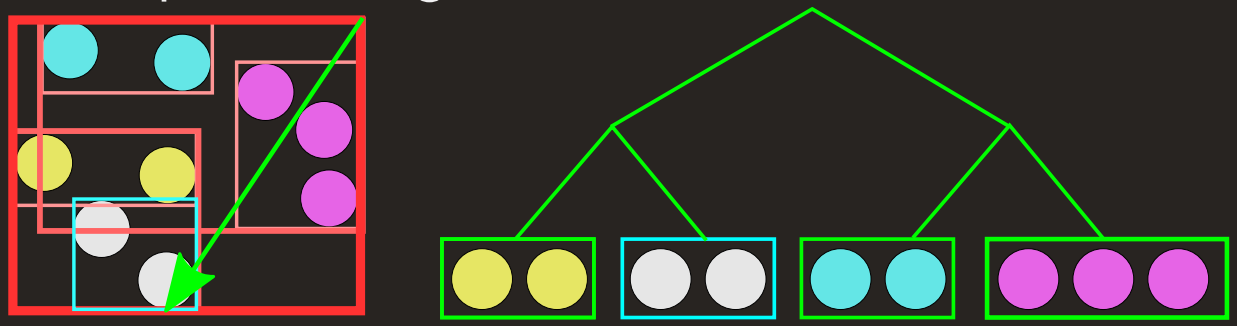

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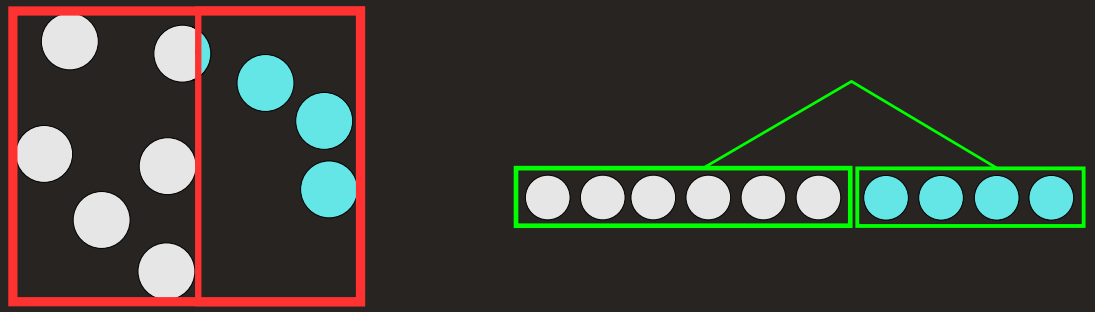

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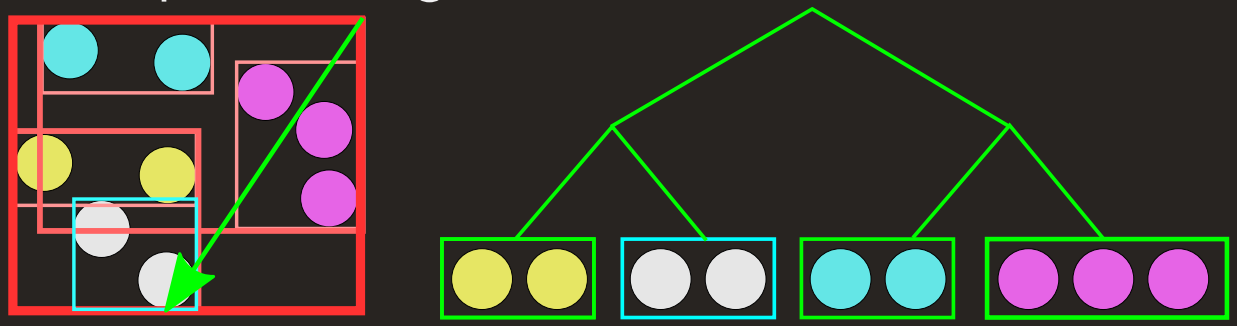

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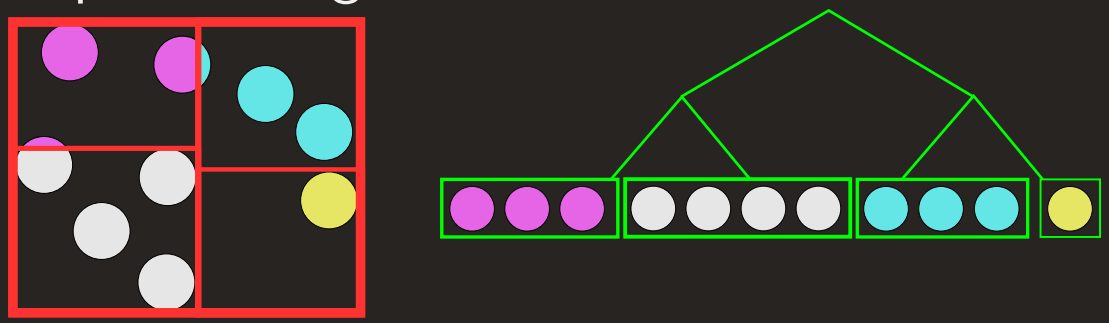

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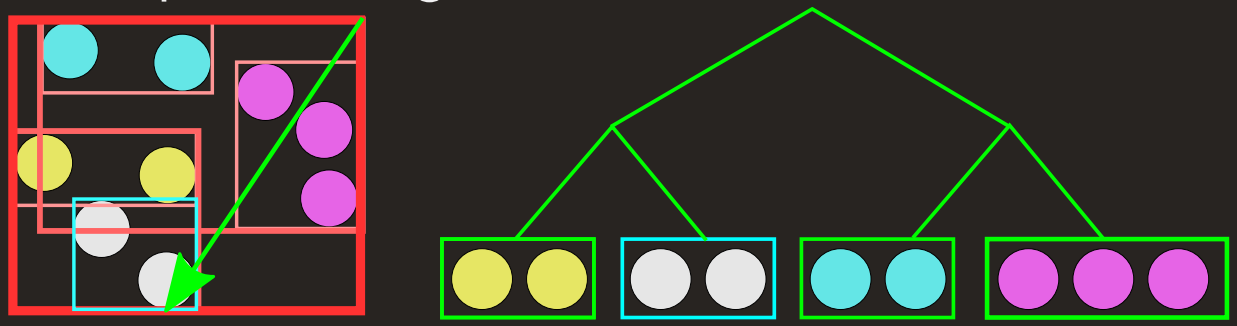

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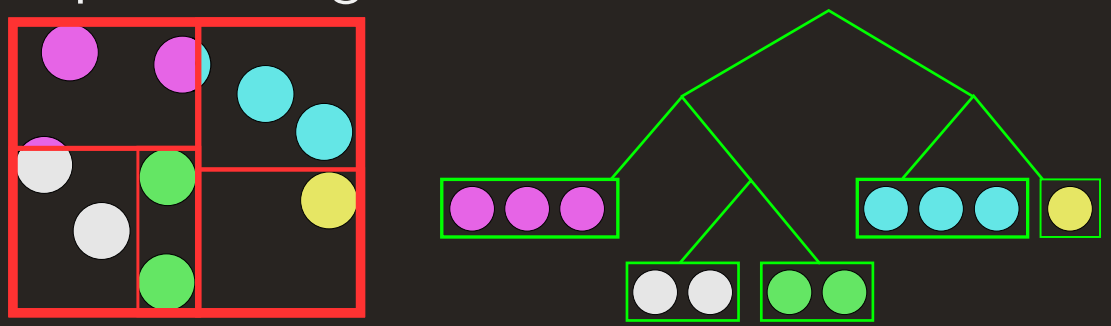

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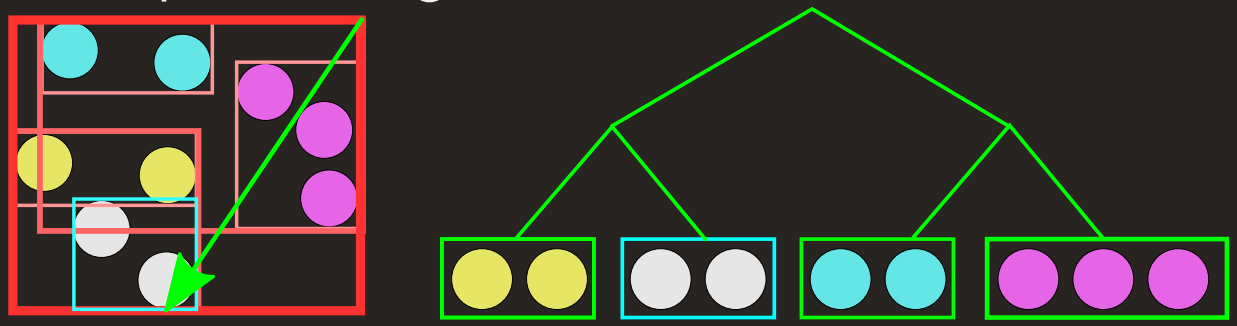

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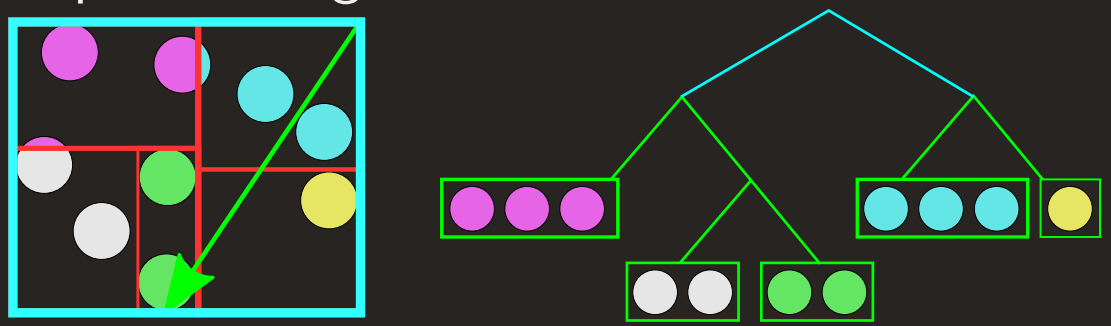

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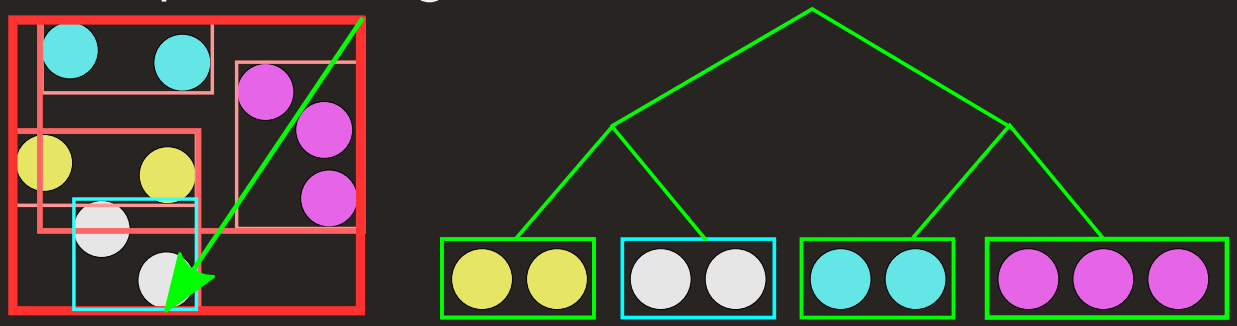

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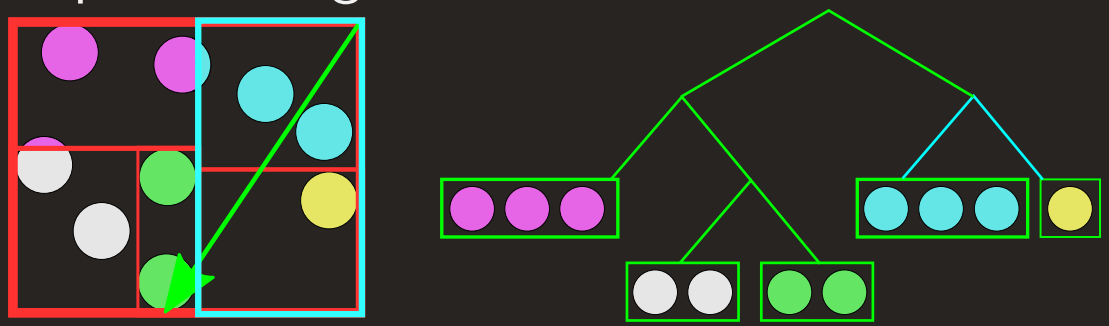

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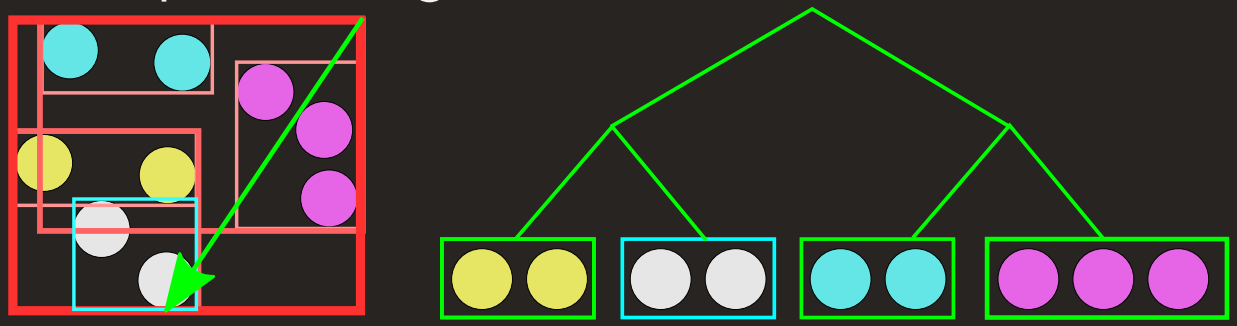

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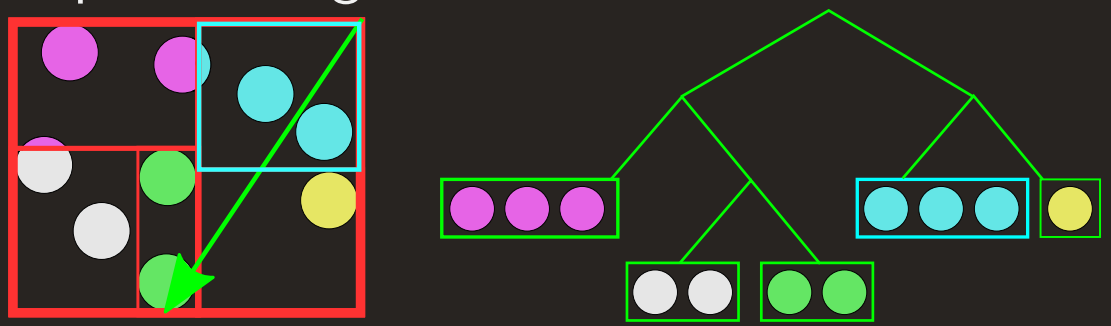

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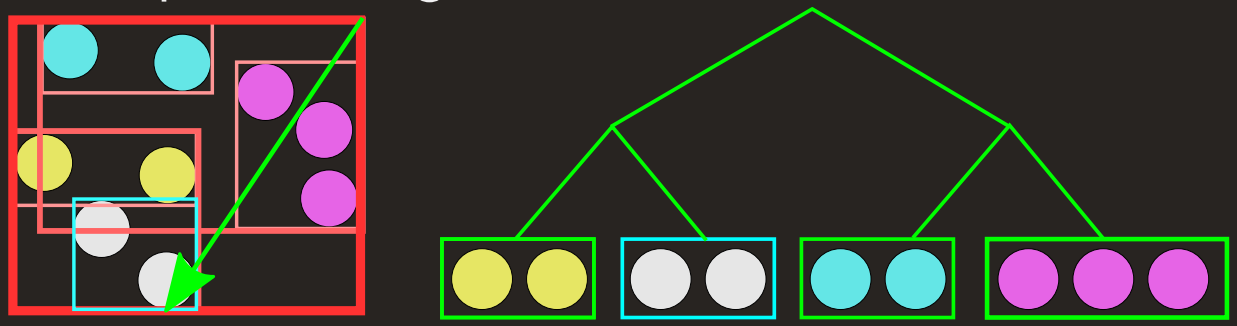

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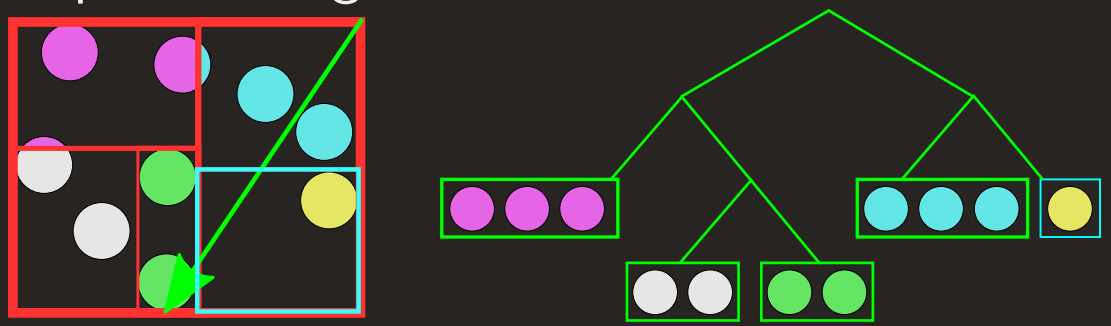

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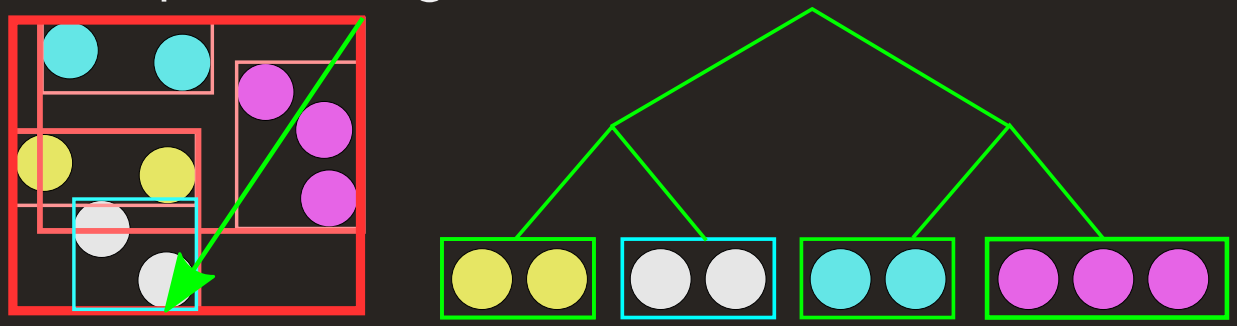

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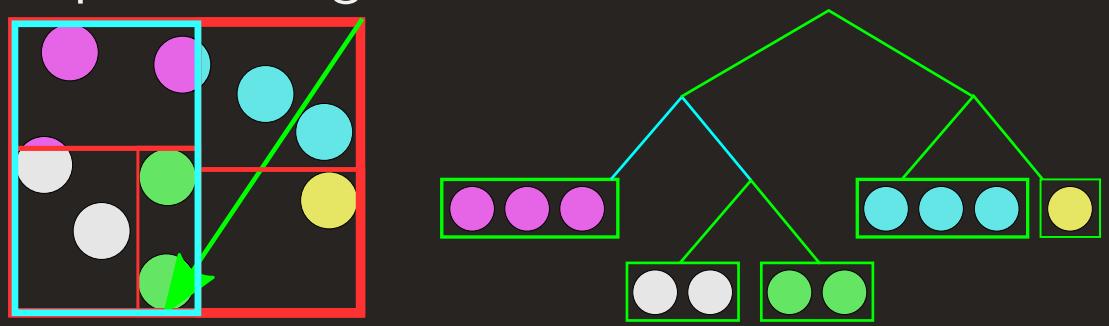

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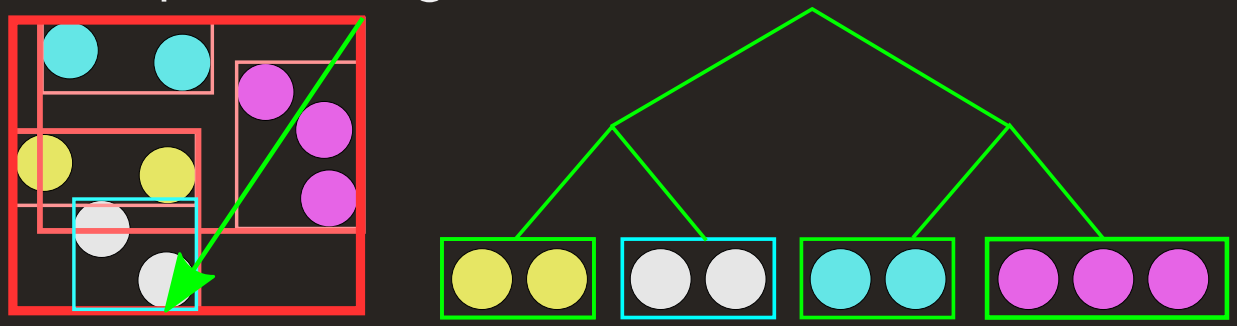

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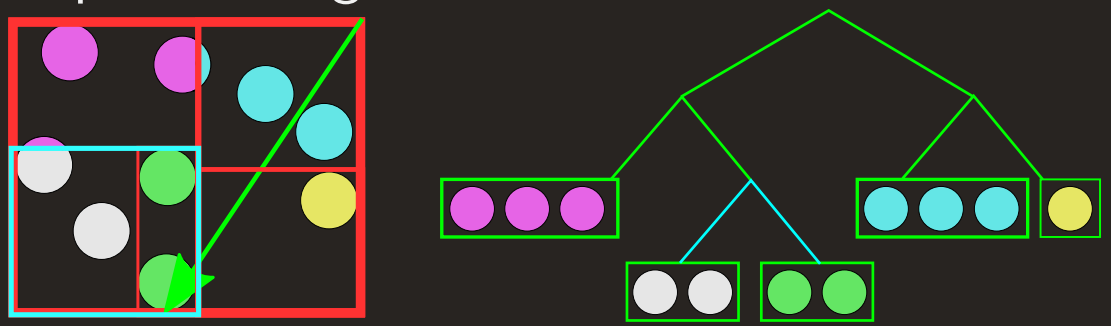

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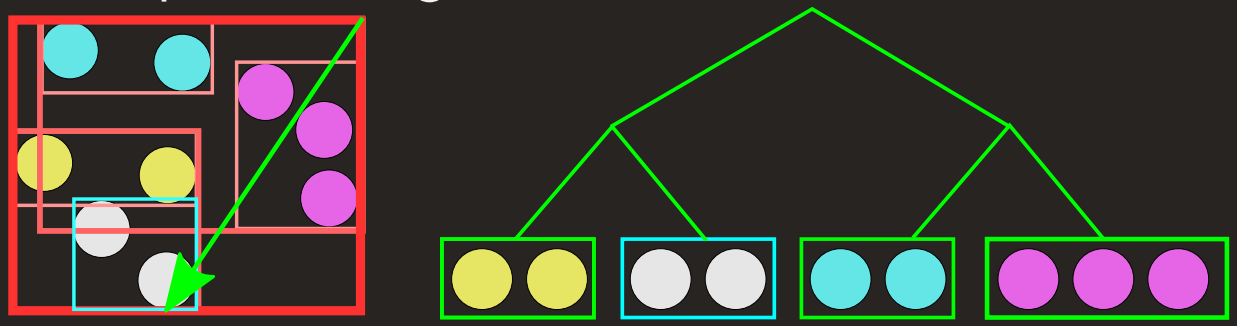

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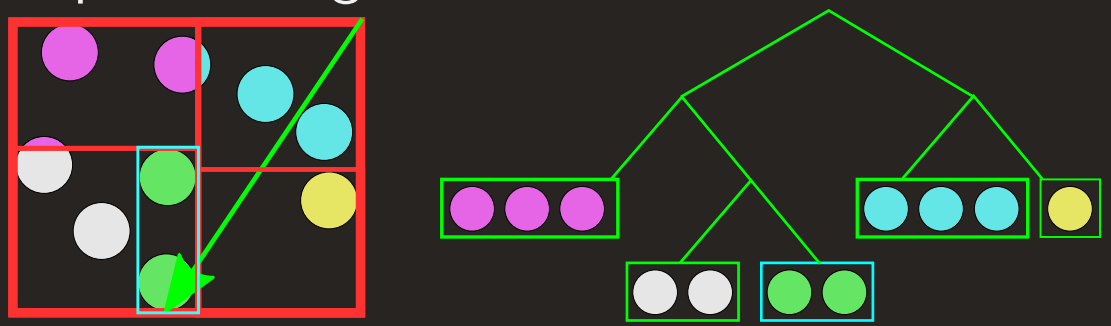

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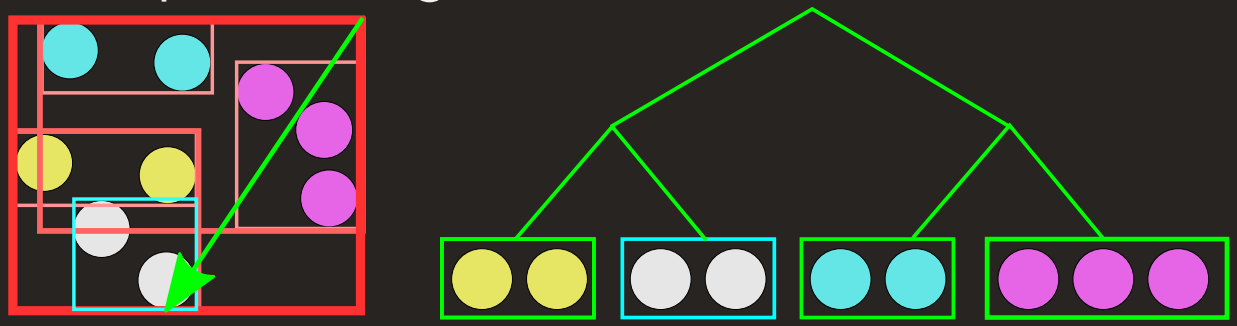

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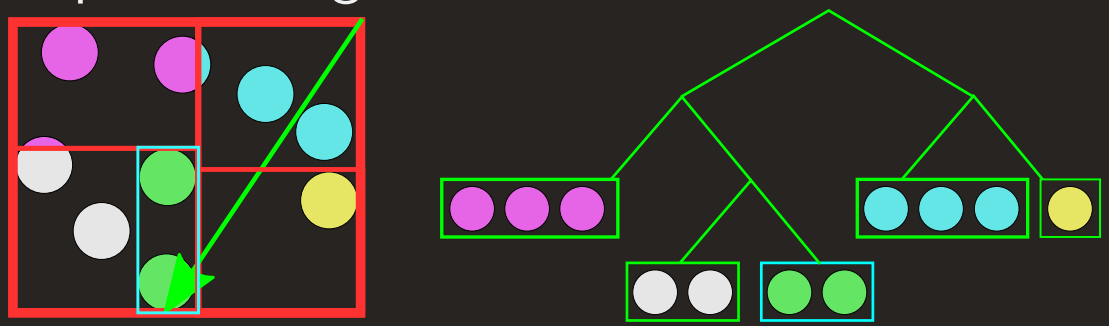

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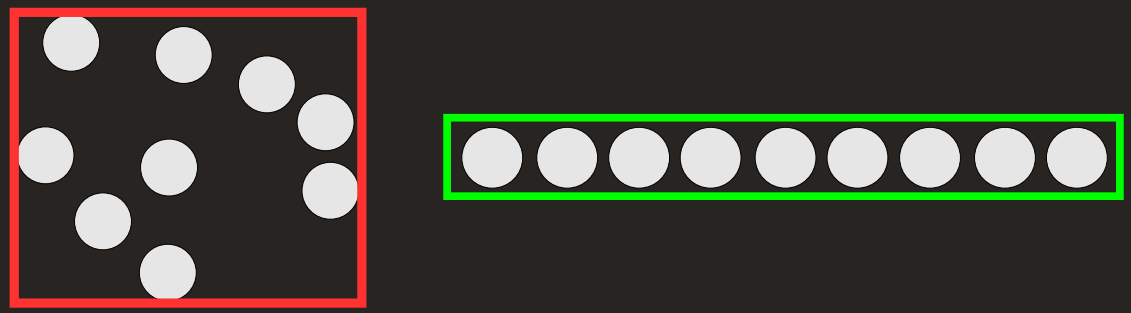

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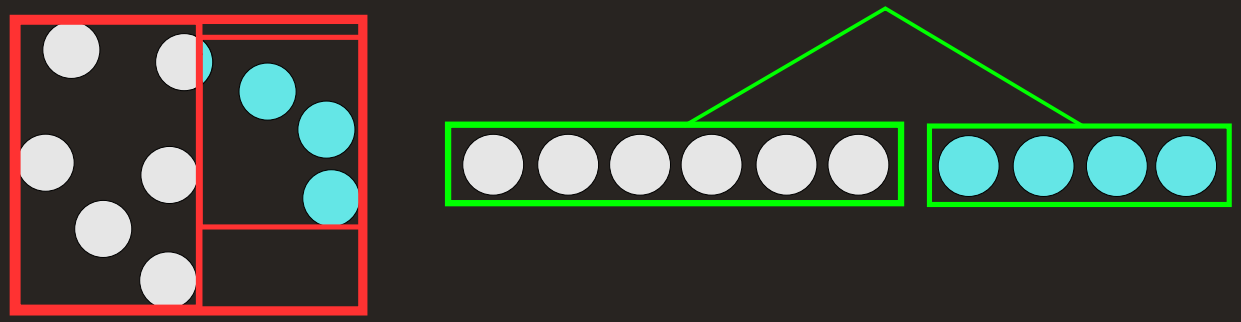

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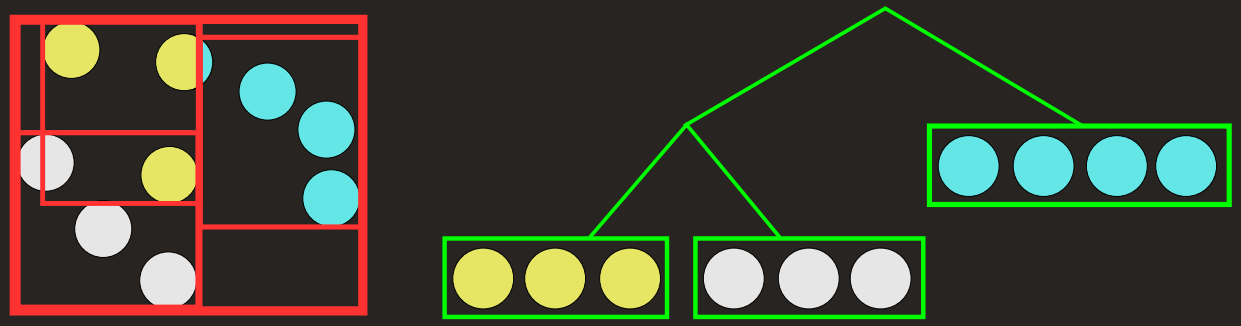

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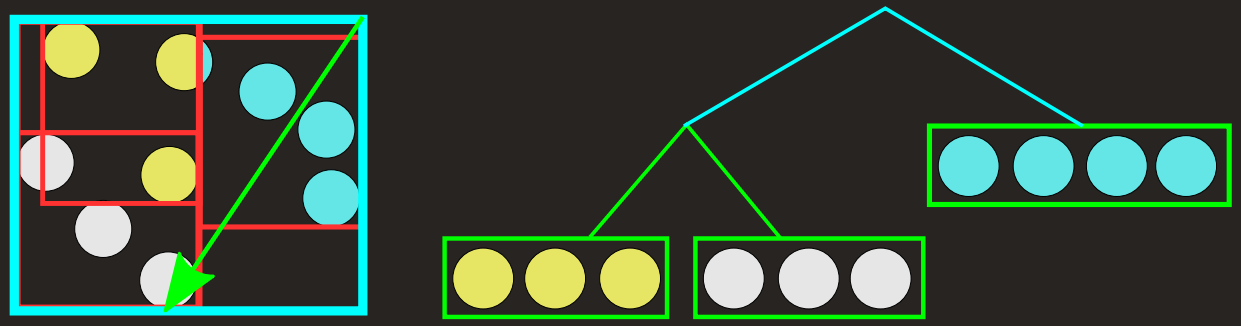

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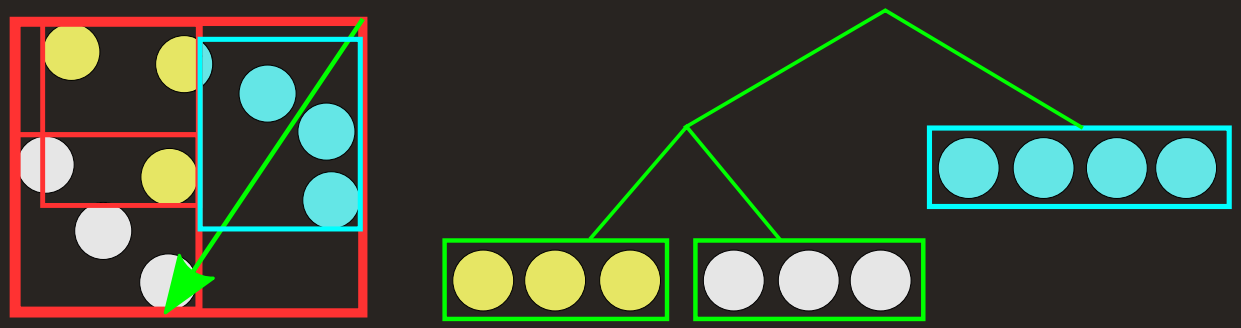

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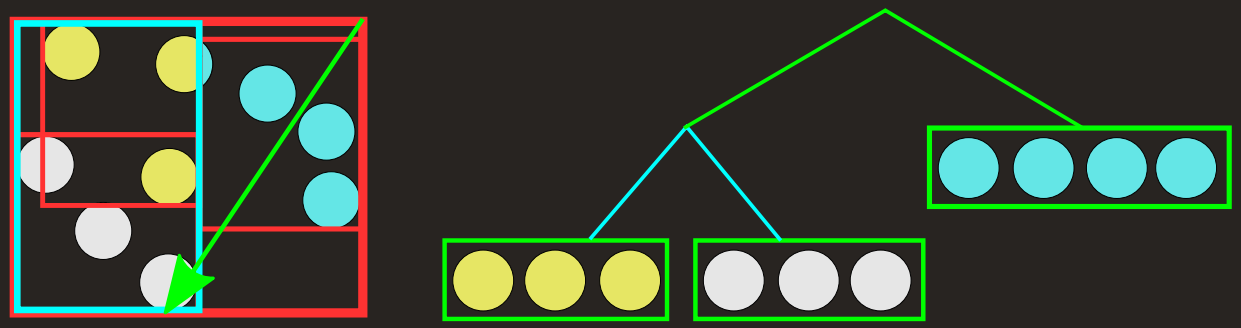

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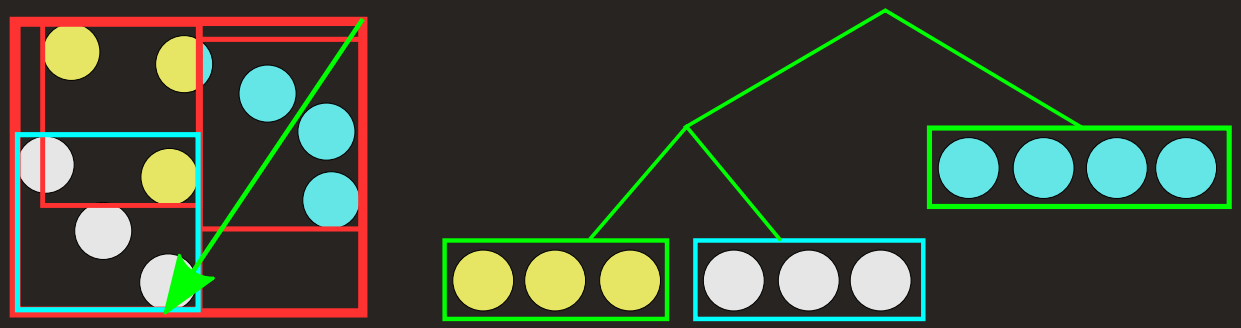

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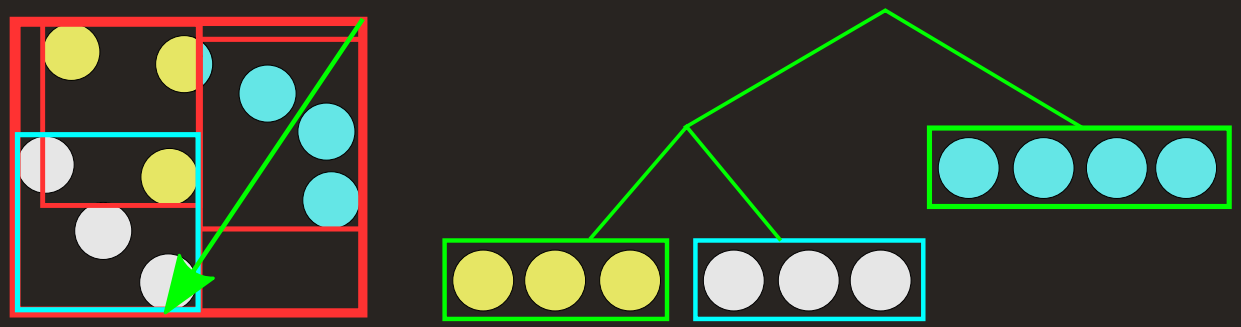

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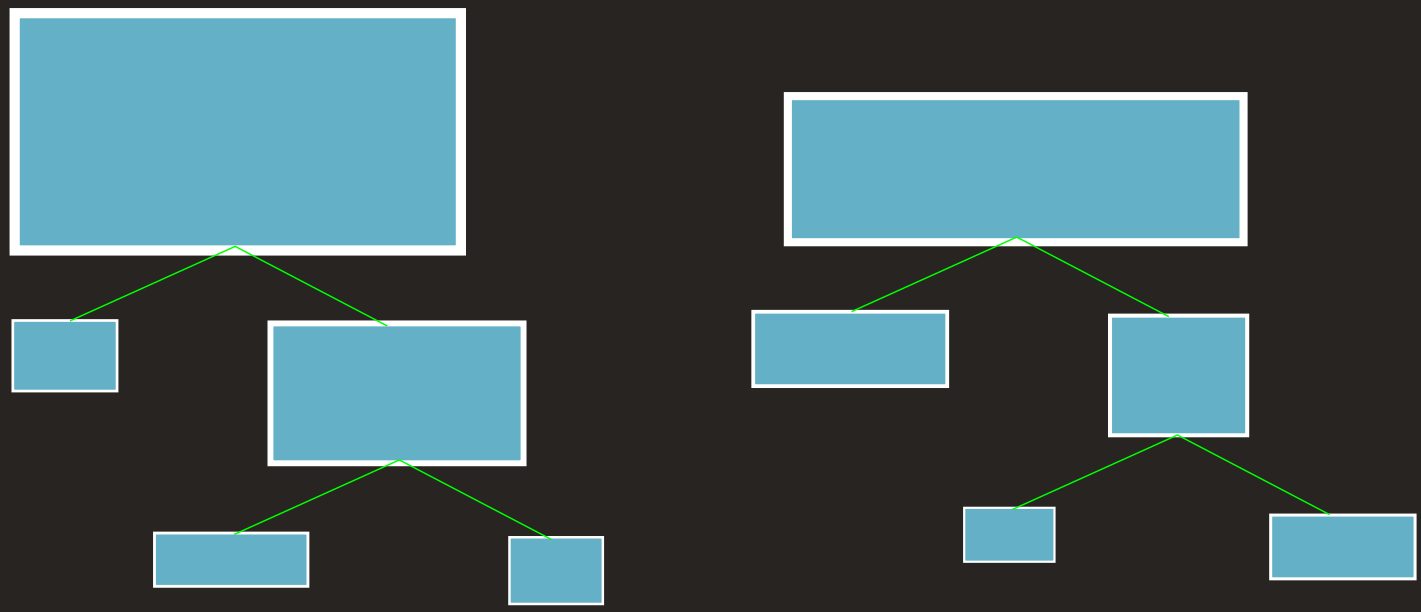

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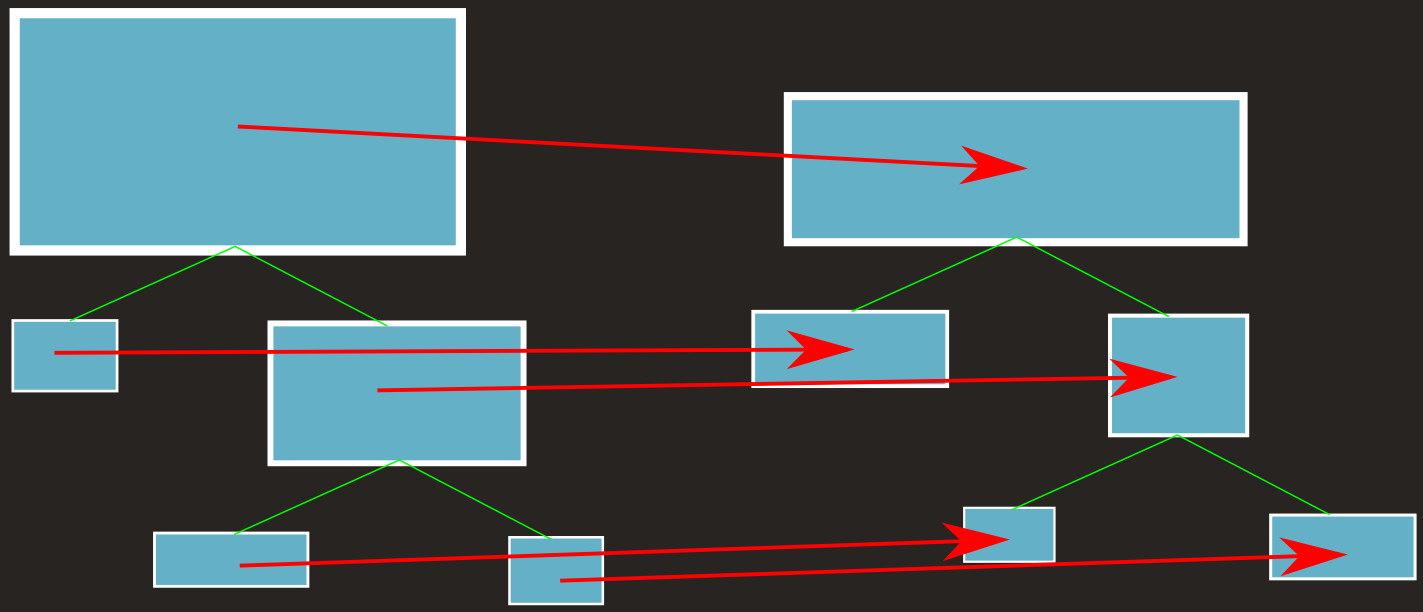

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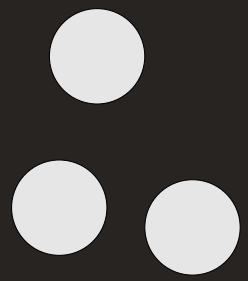

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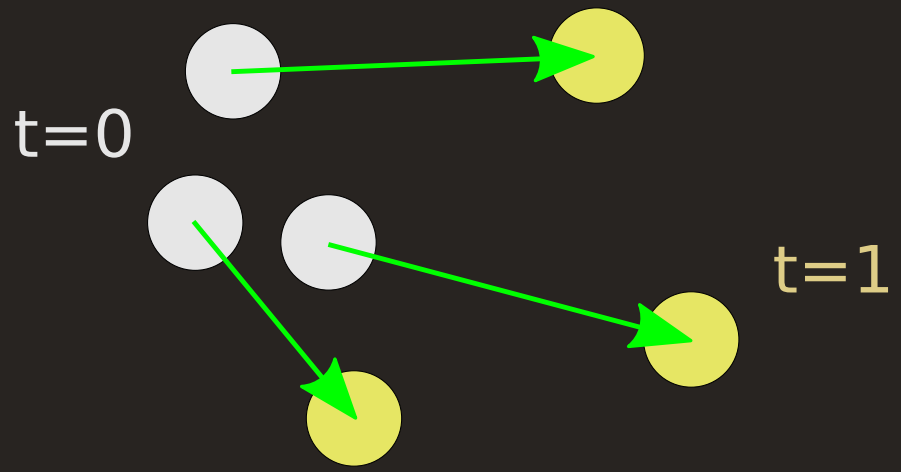

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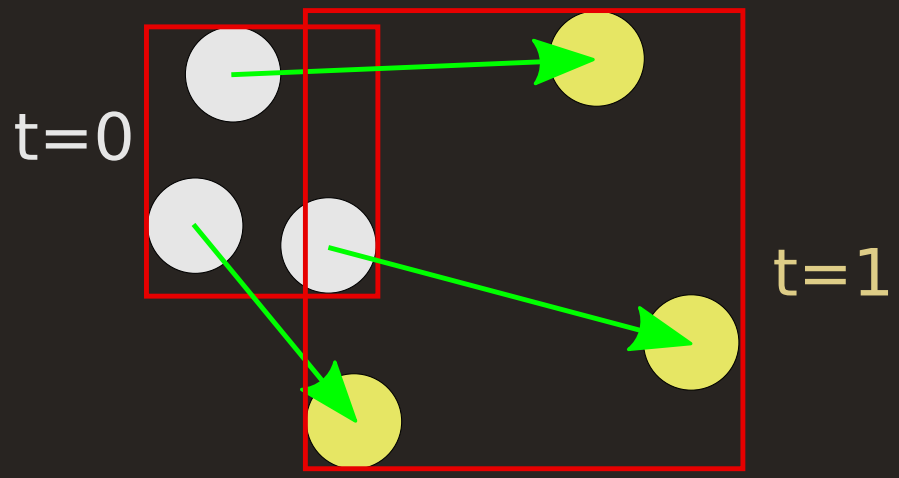

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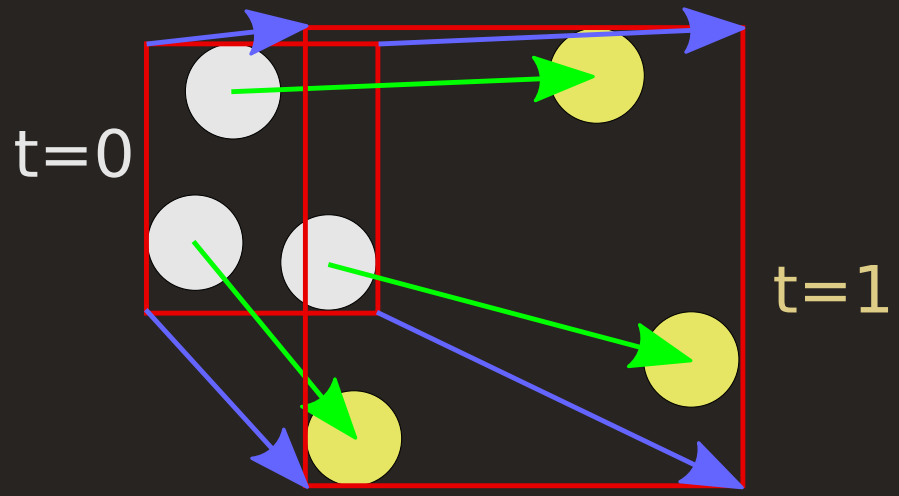

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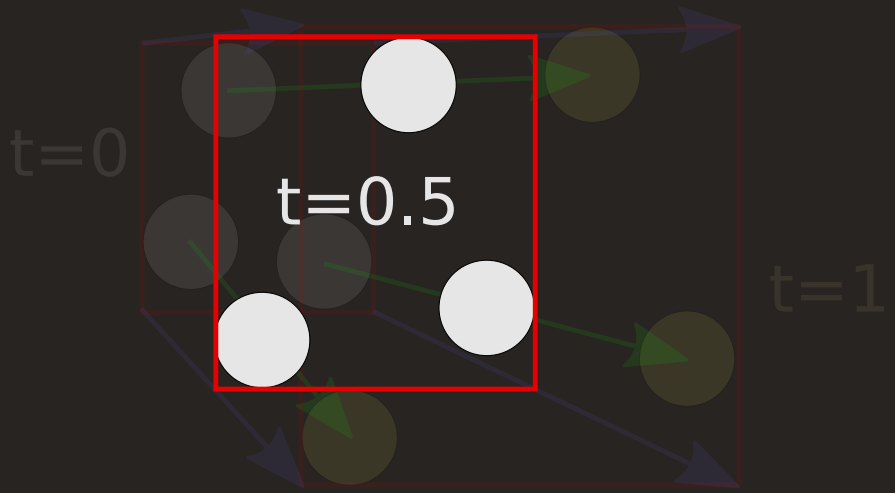

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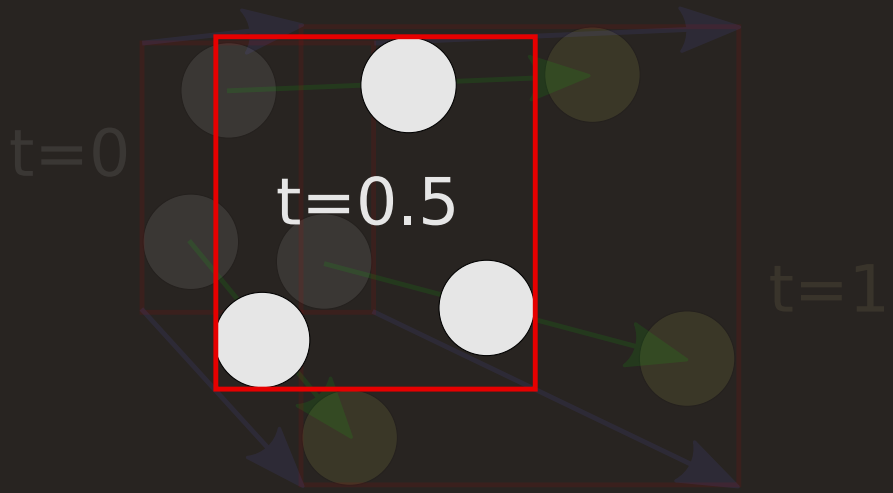

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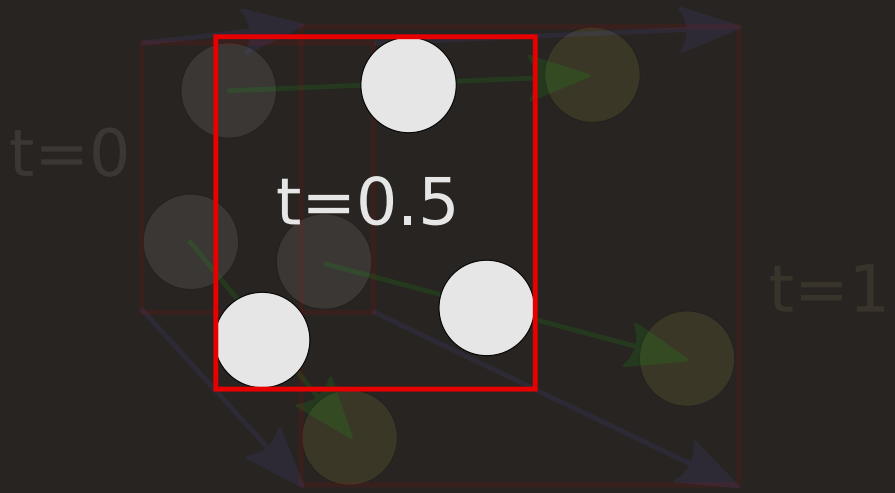

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- allows for very tight bounding boxes for every ray time t

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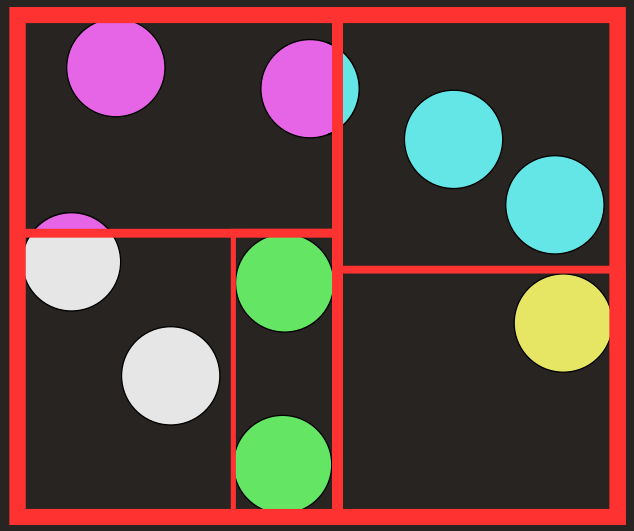

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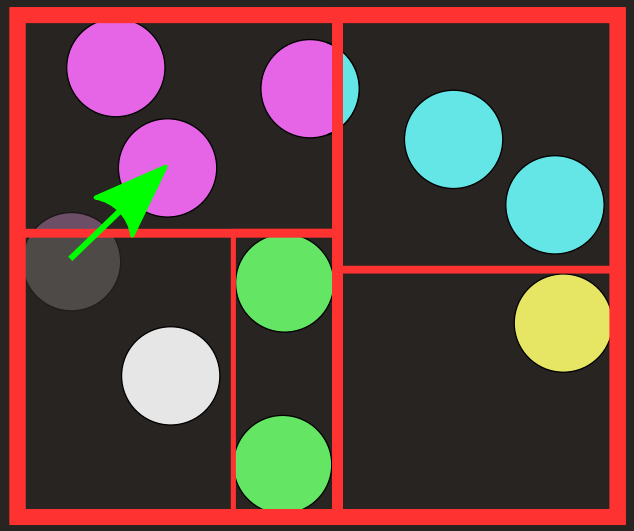

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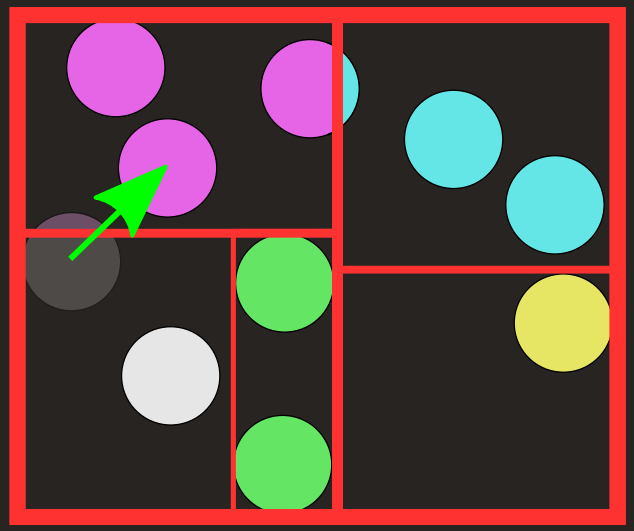

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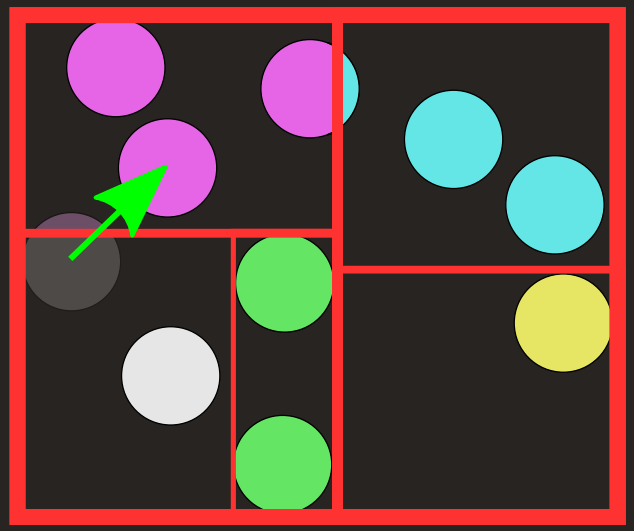

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Note: we assume the hierarchy is rebuilt per frame

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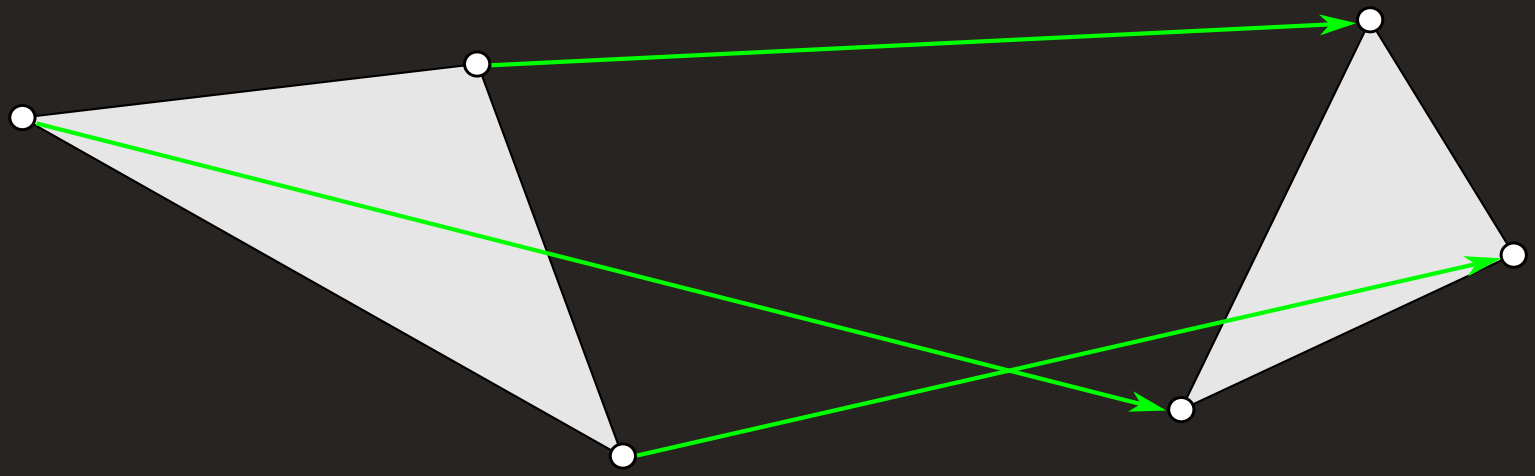

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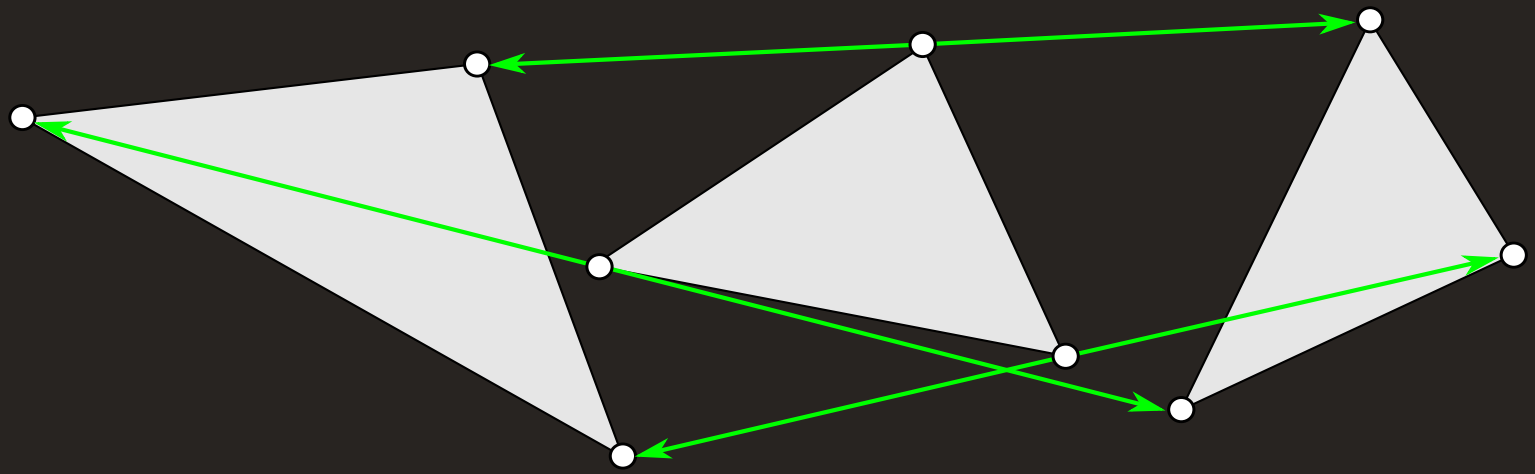

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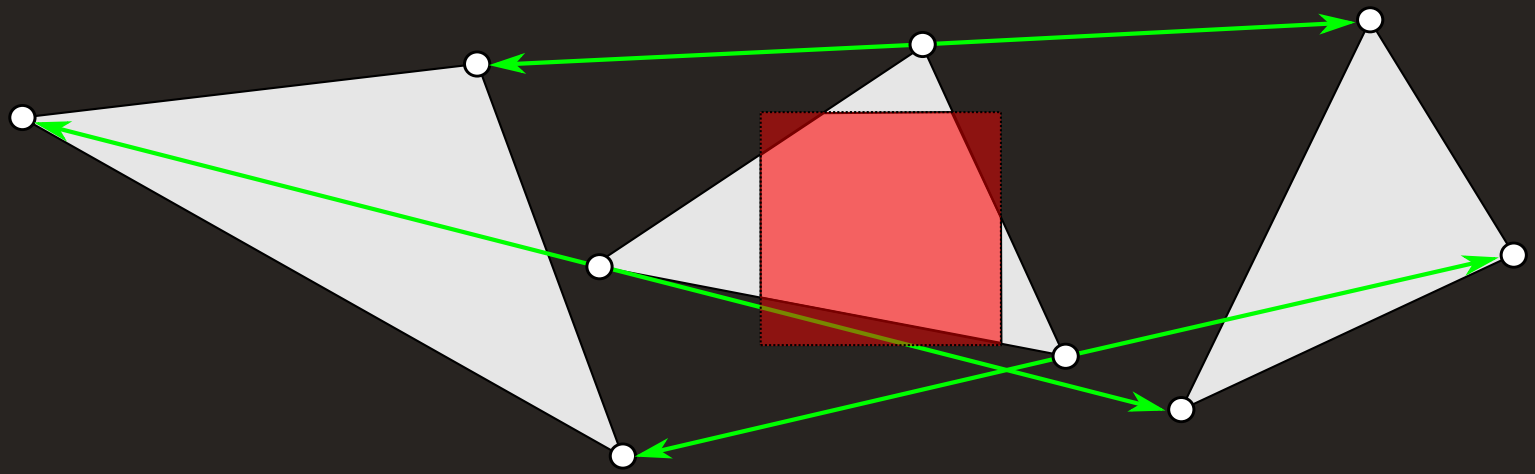

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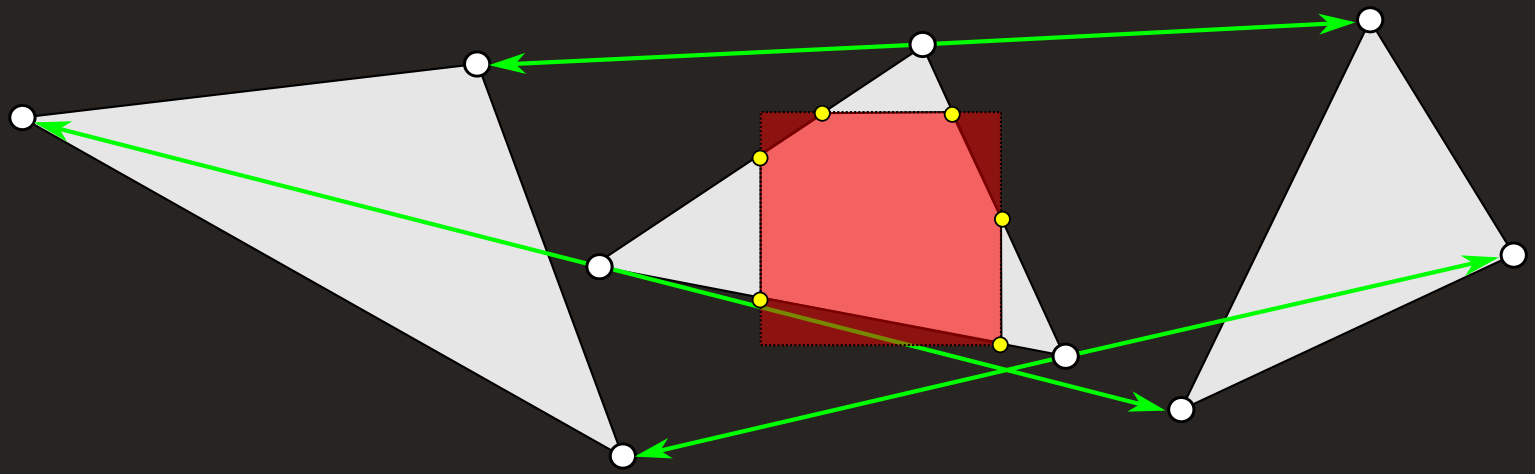

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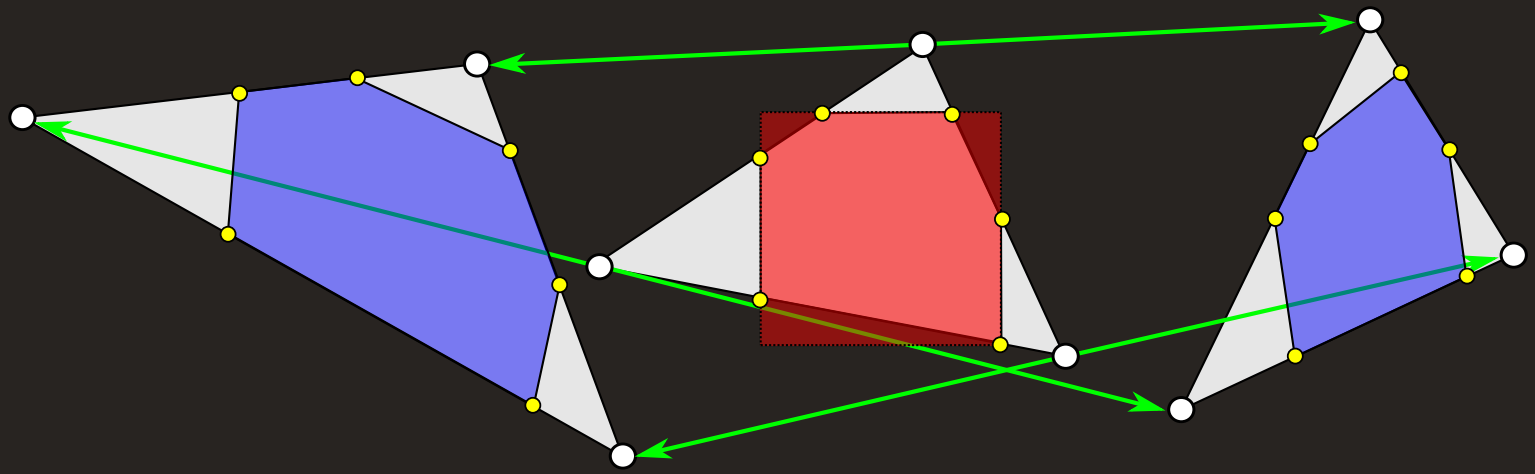

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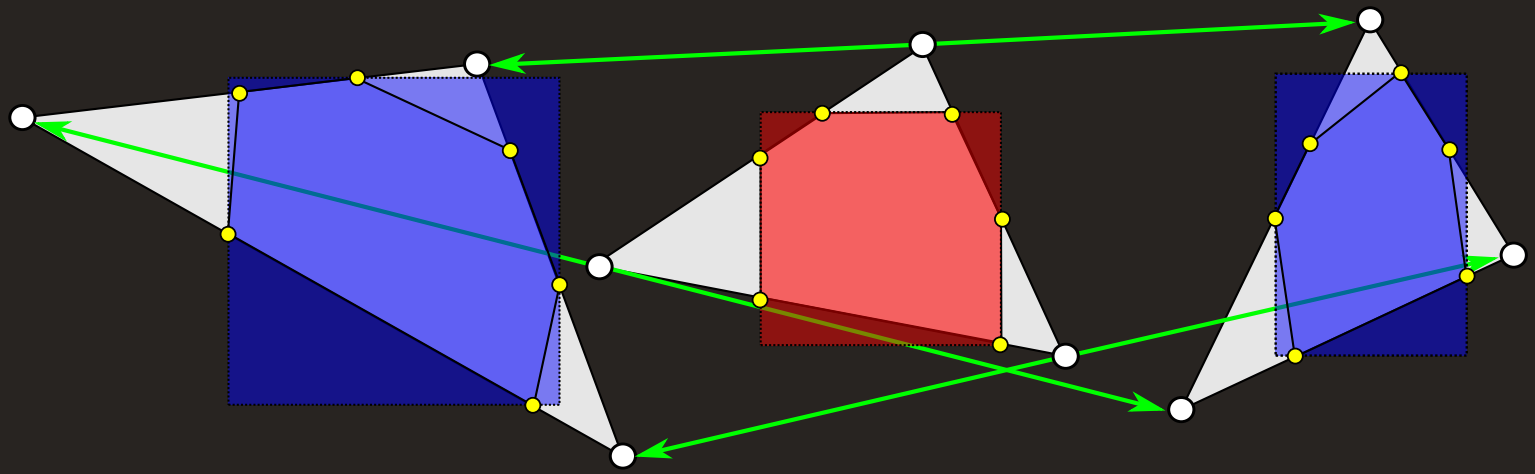

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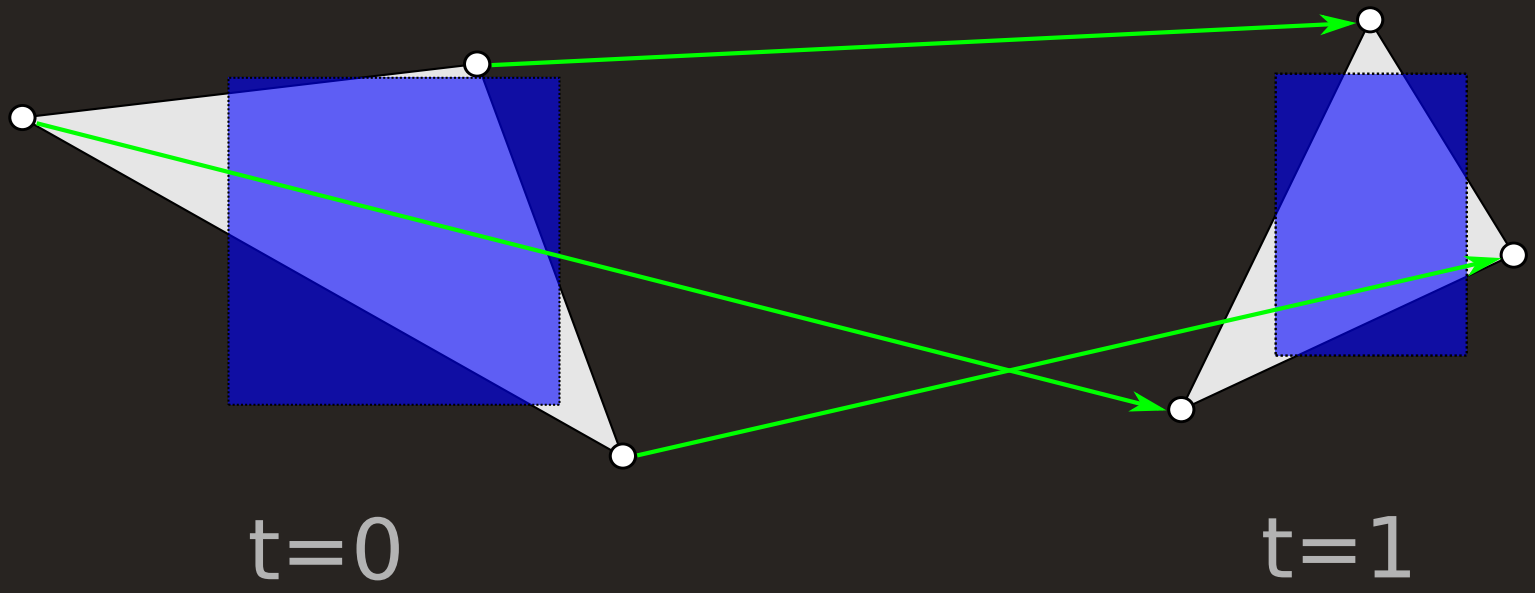

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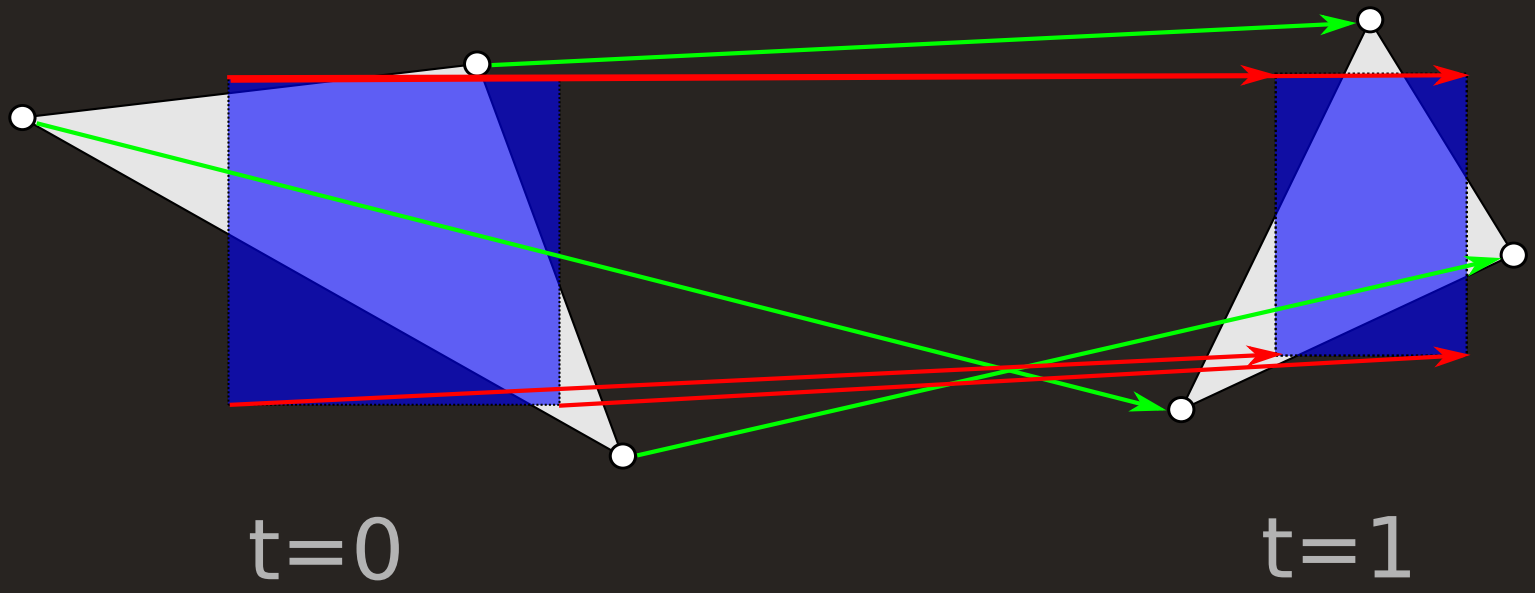

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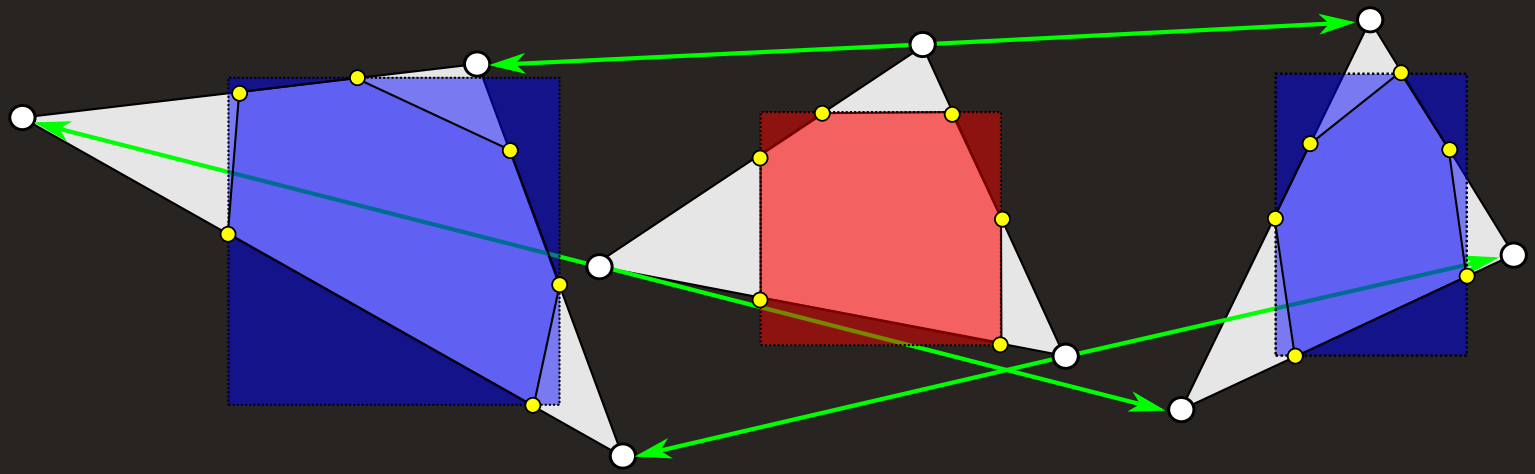

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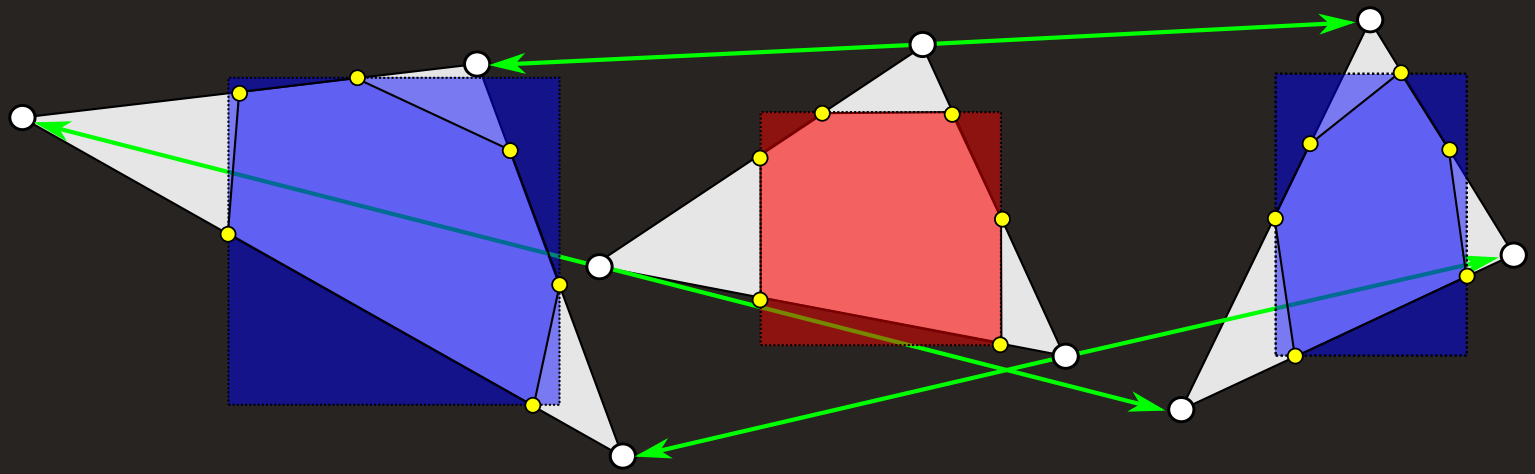

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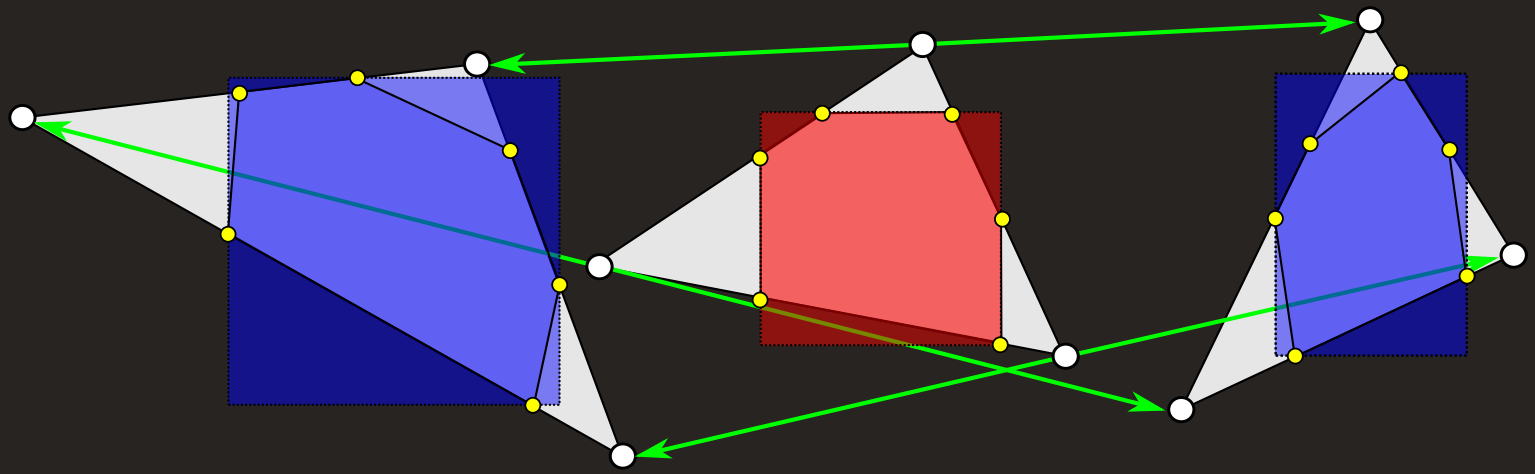

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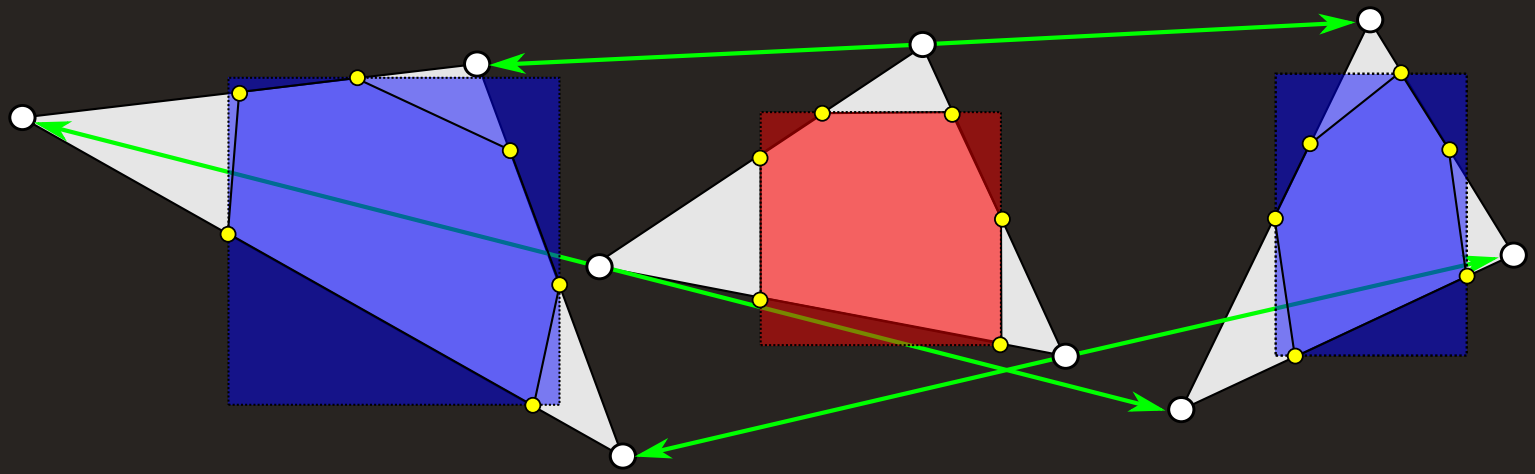

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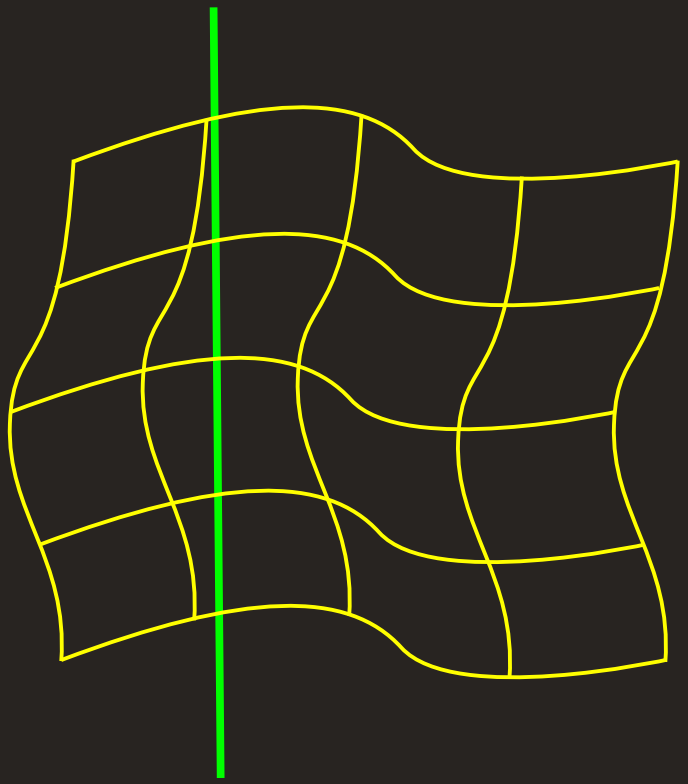

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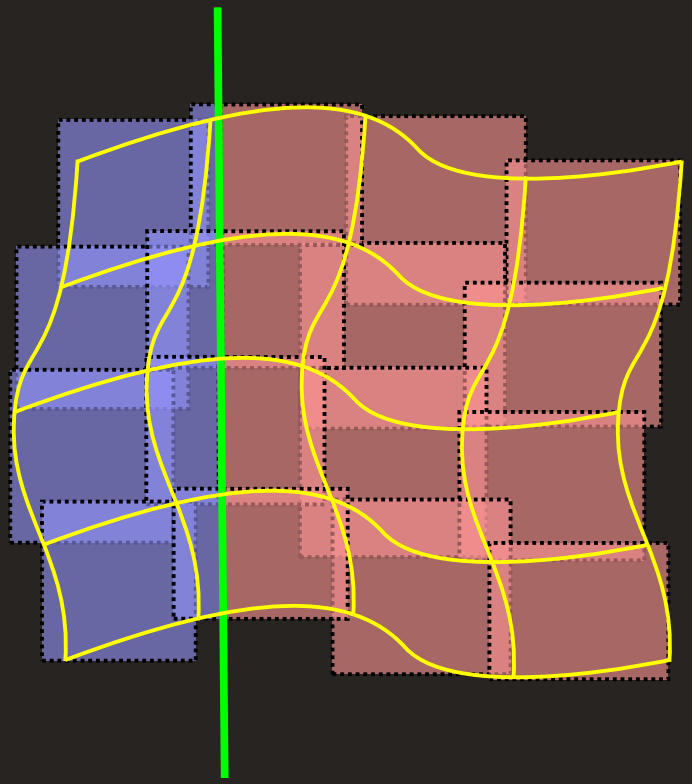

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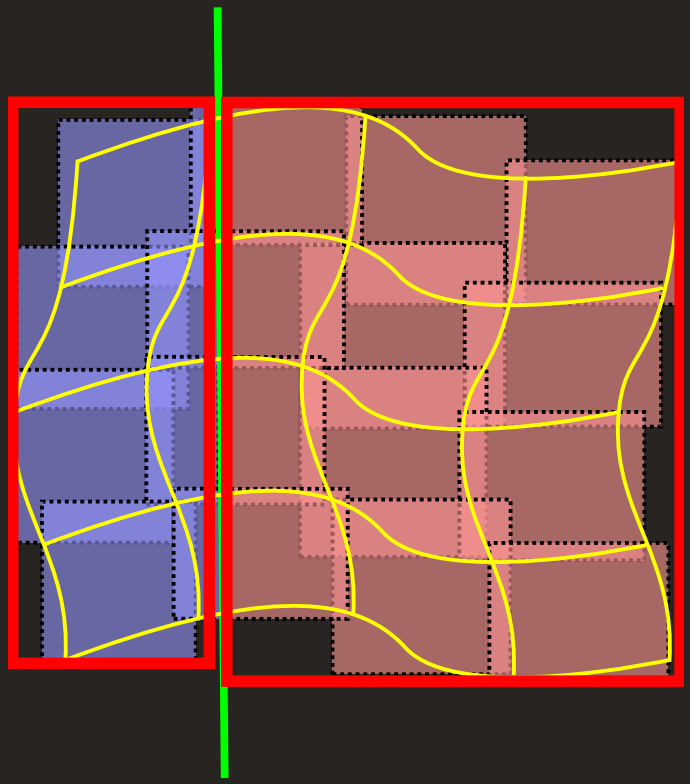

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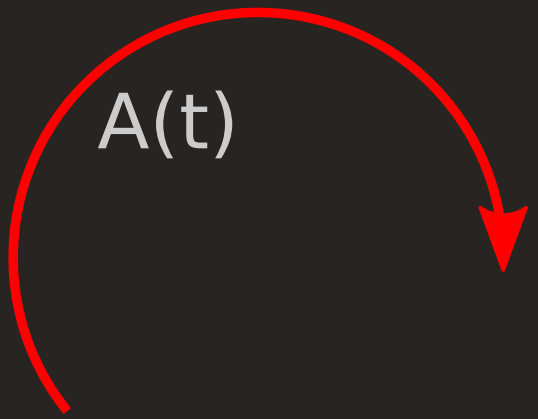

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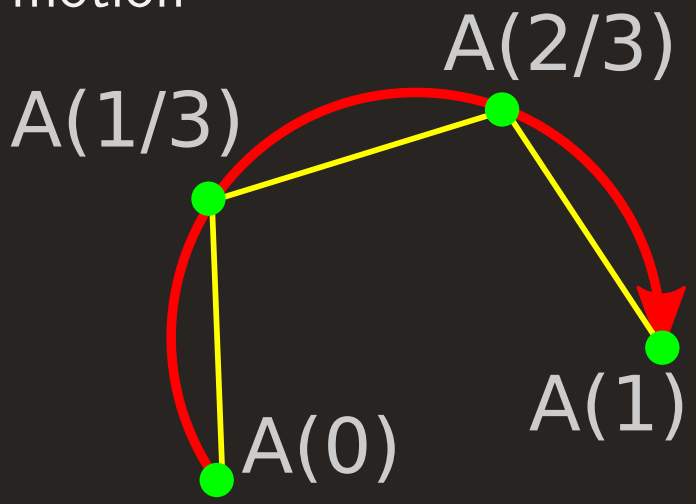

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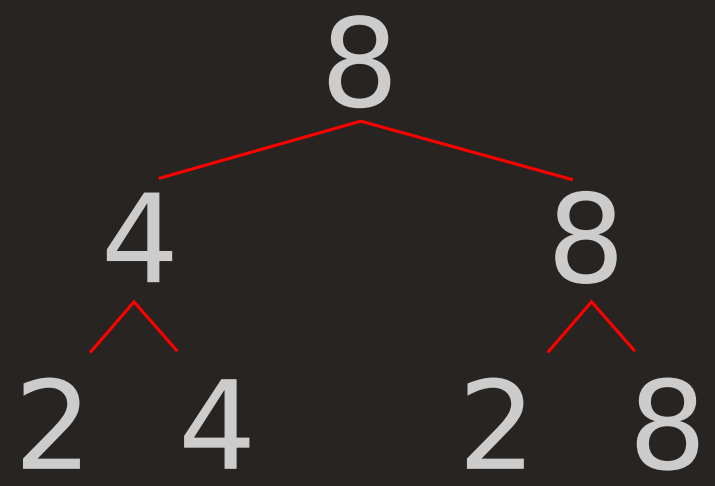

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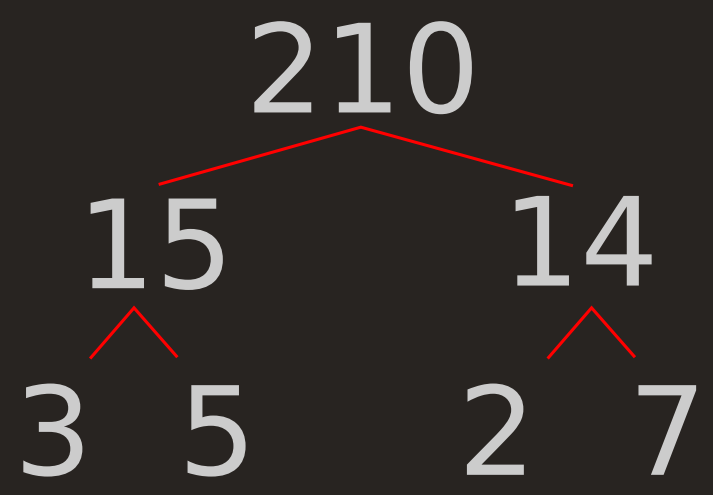

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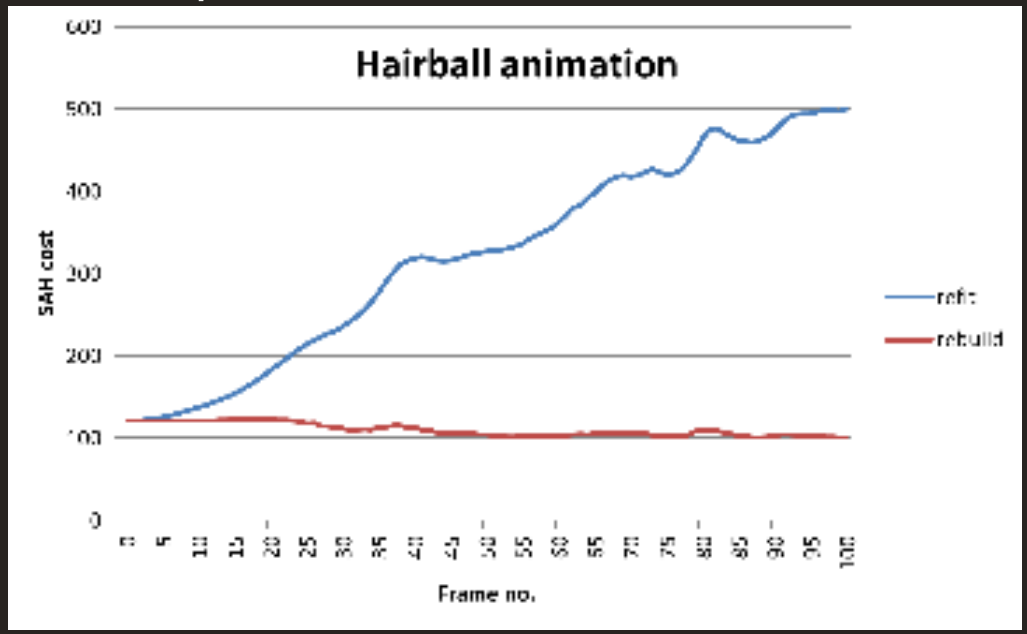

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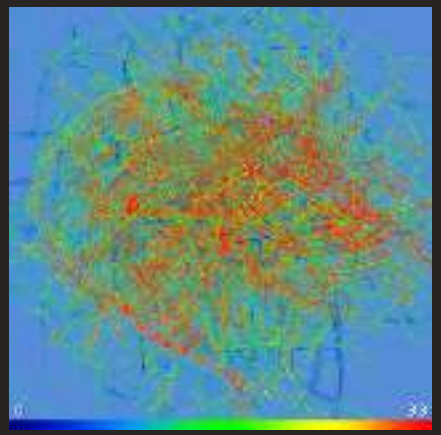
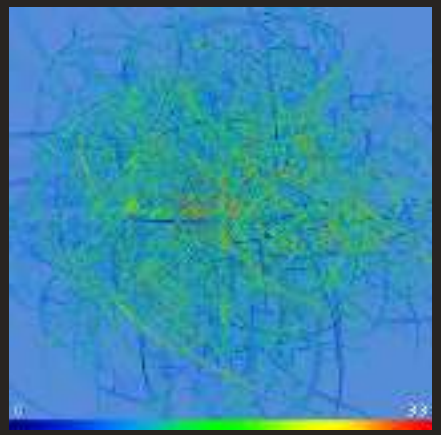

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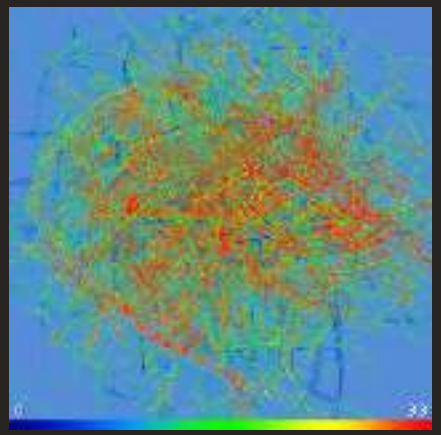
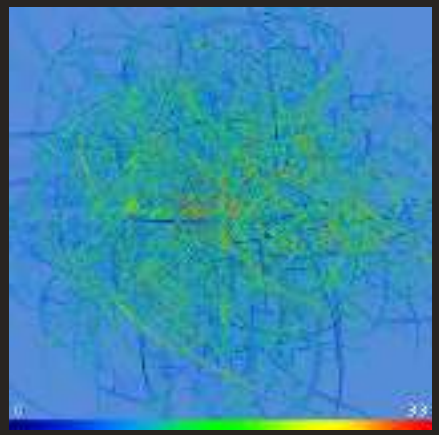

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