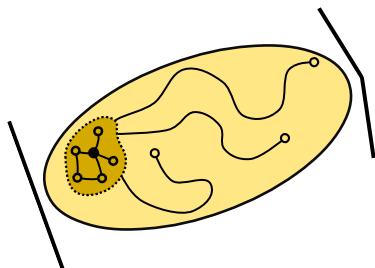
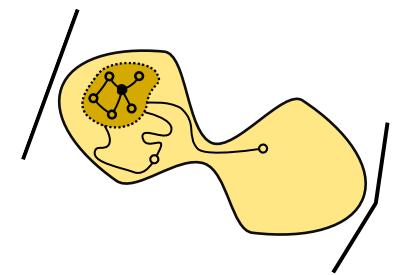


Growing Seed Sets: QW Sampling and st-Connectivity



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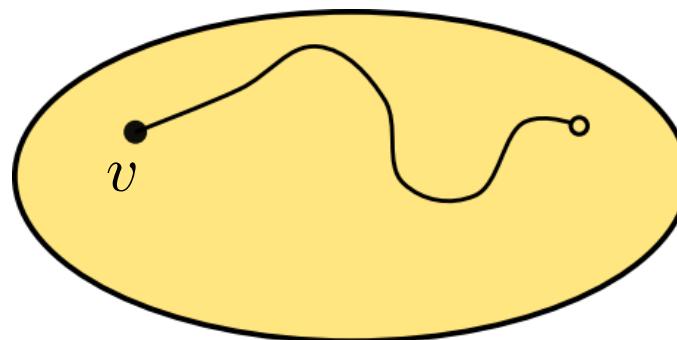
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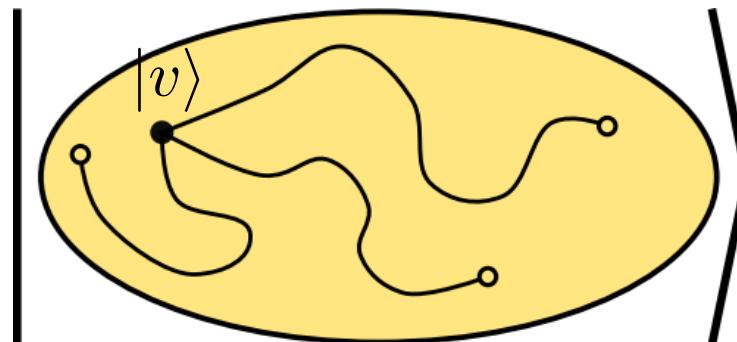
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* throughout talk, assume graphs are regular, bounded degree expanders

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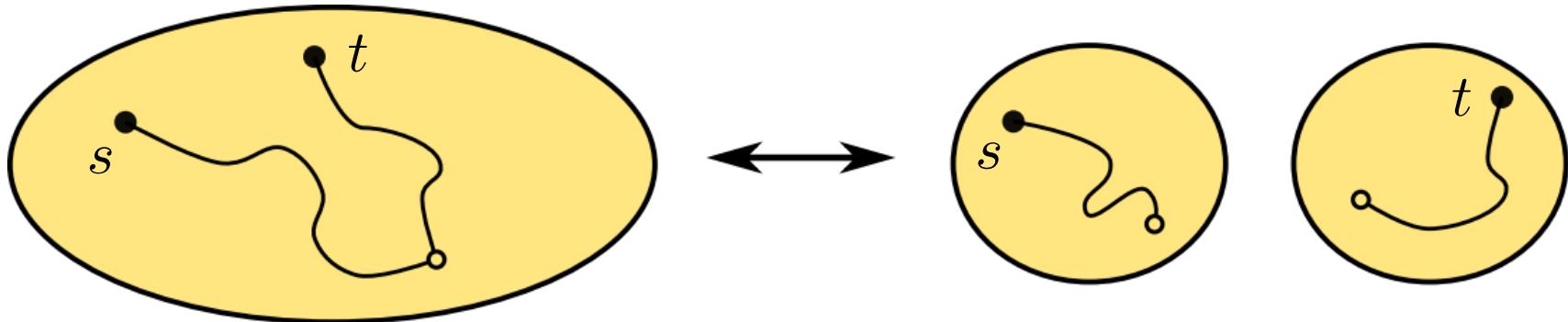
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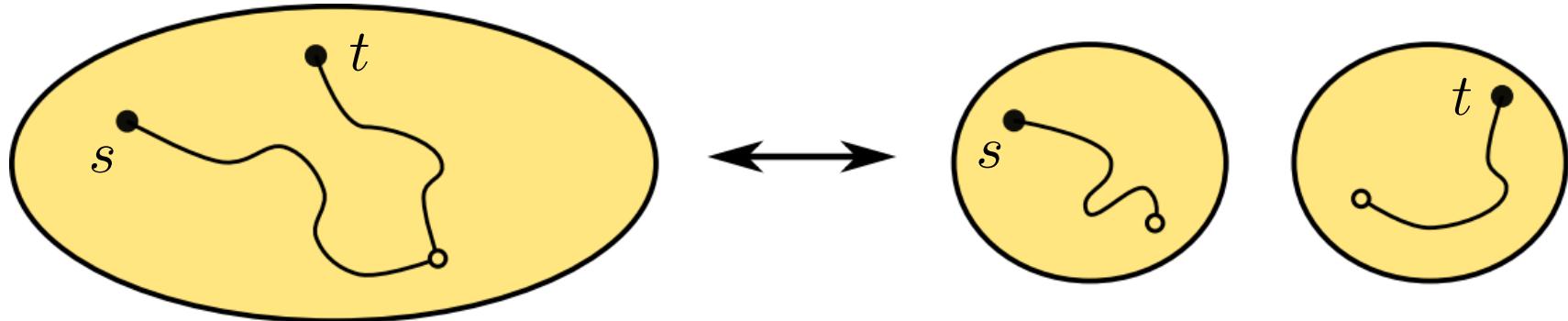
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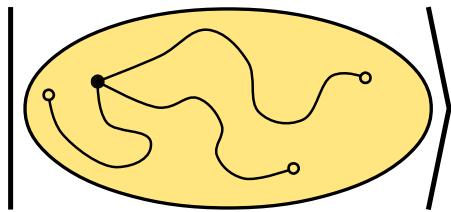
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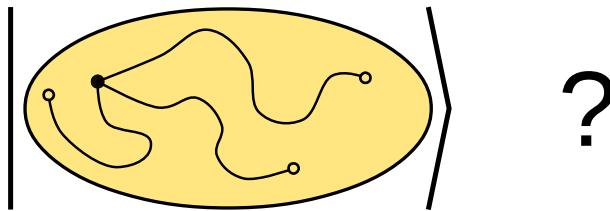
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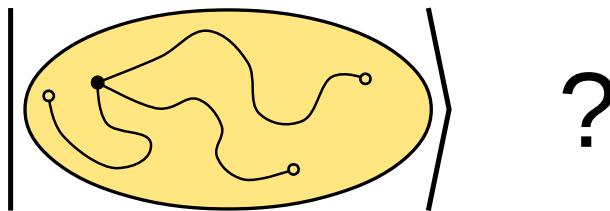


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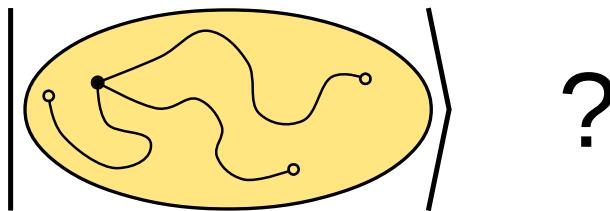


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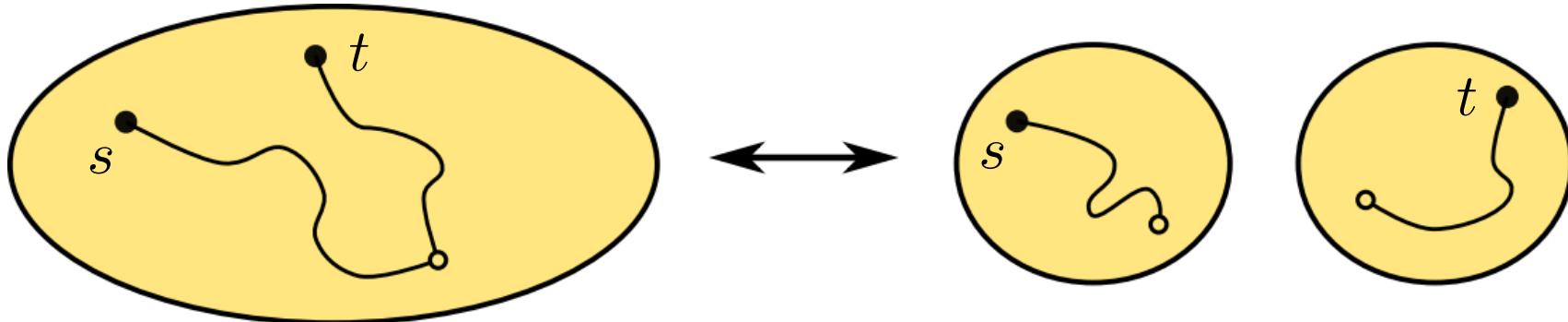
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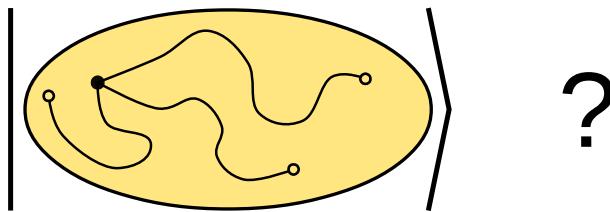
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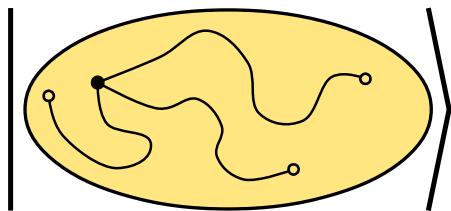
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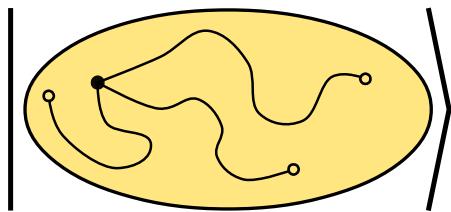
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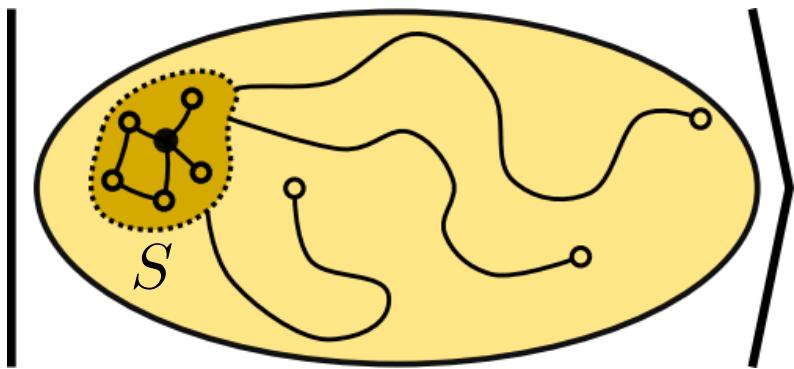
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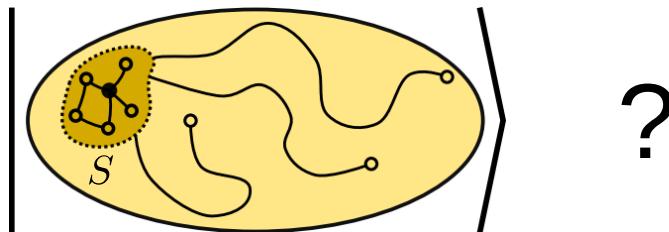


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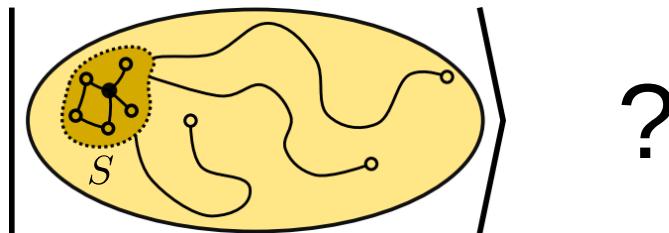
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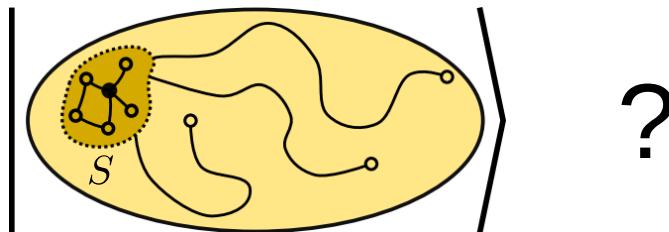


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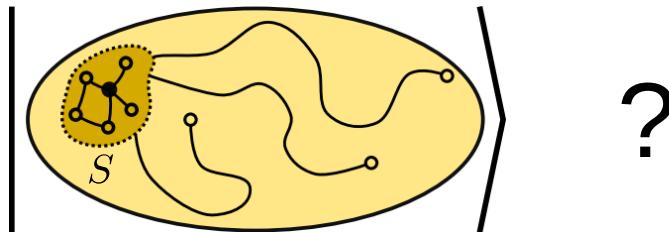


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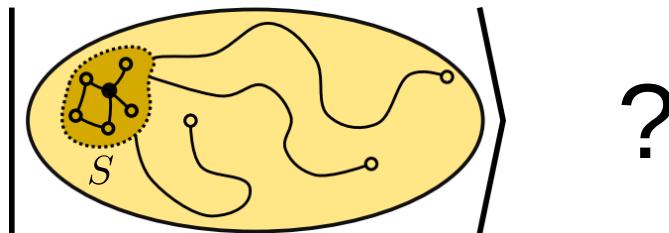


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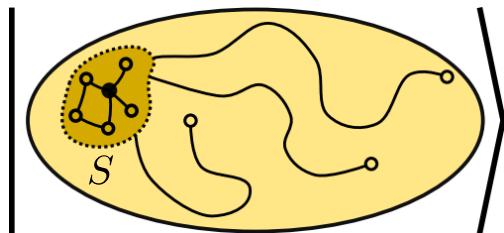
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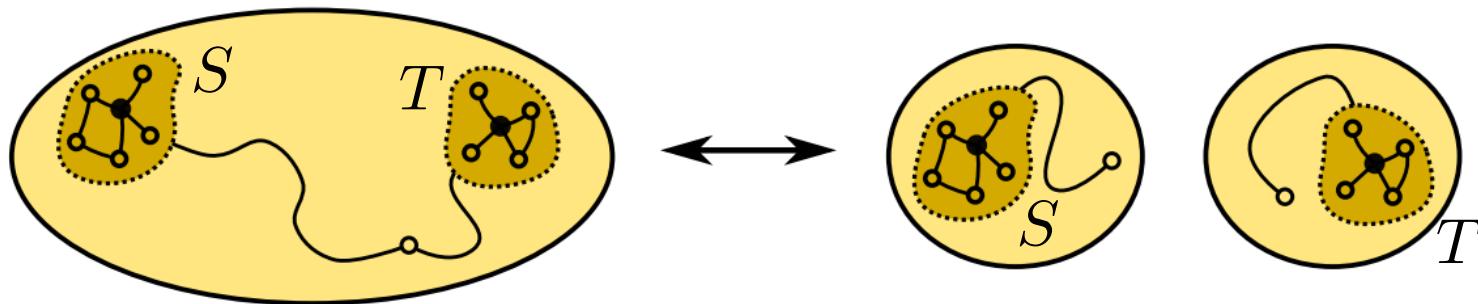
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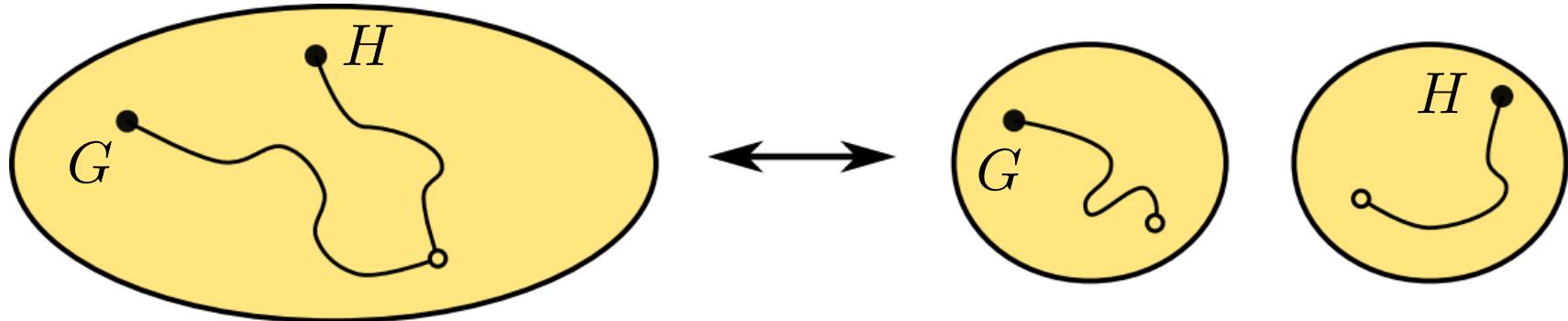


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instance of st-connectivity:
pairwise permutations describe RW over isomorphisms

$$G \rightarrow G' \rightarrow G'' \rightarrow \dots$$

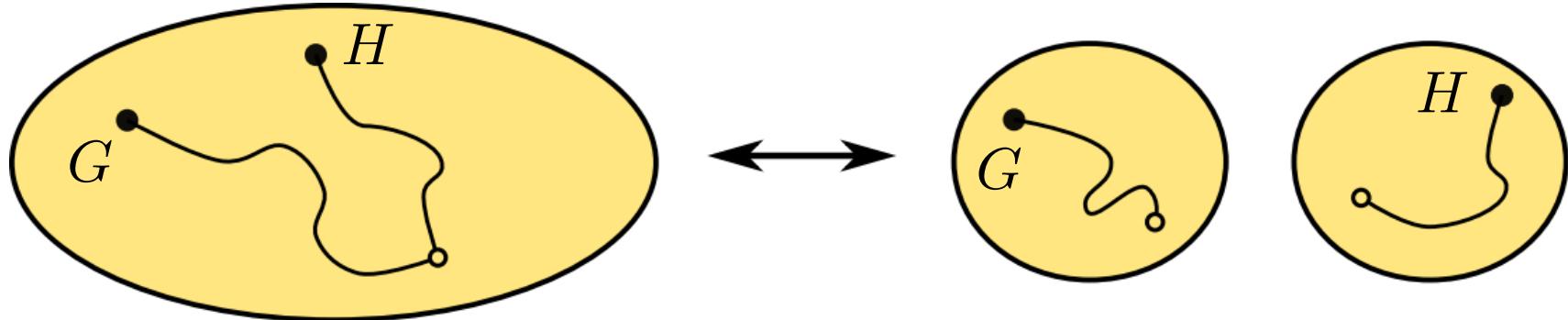
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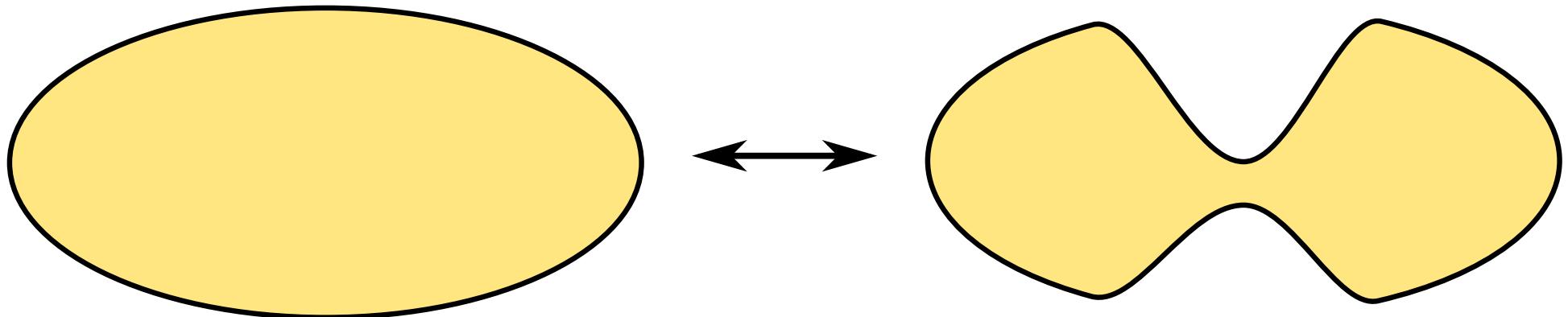
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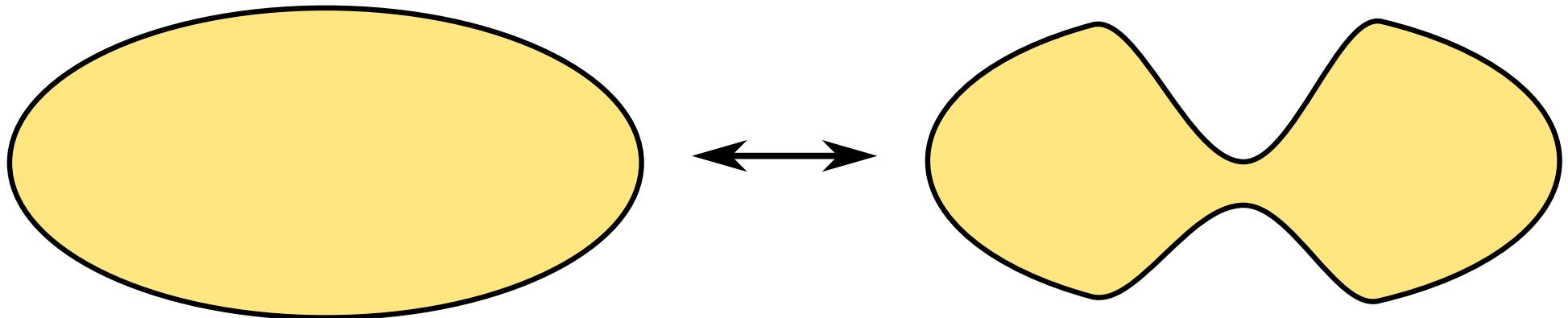
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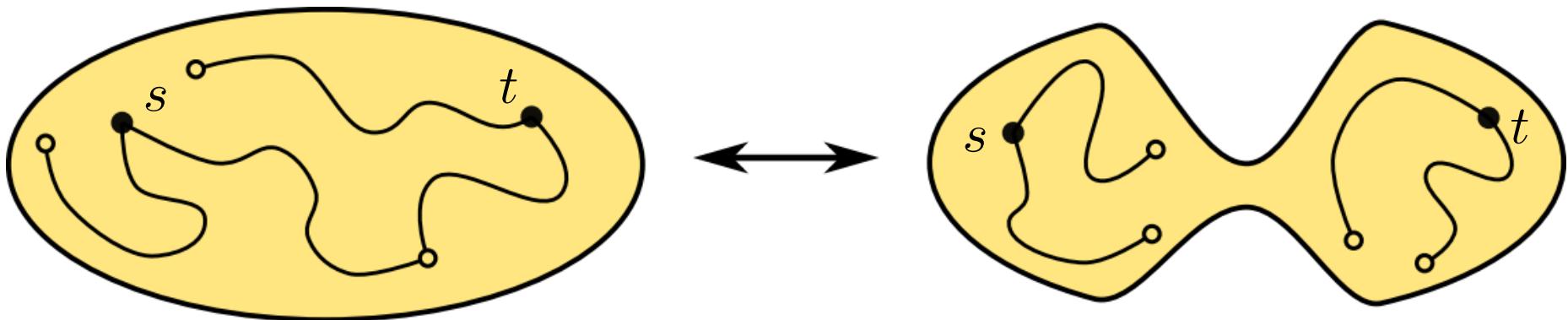
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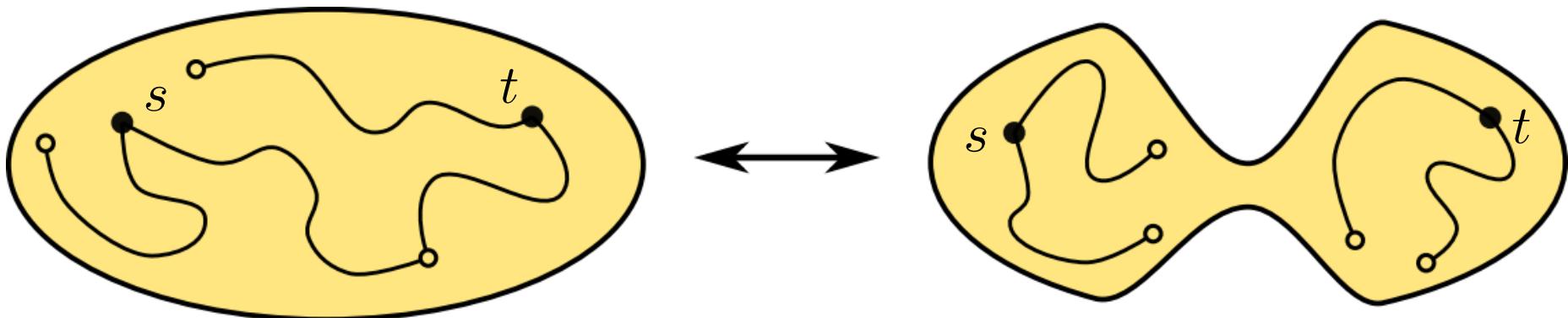
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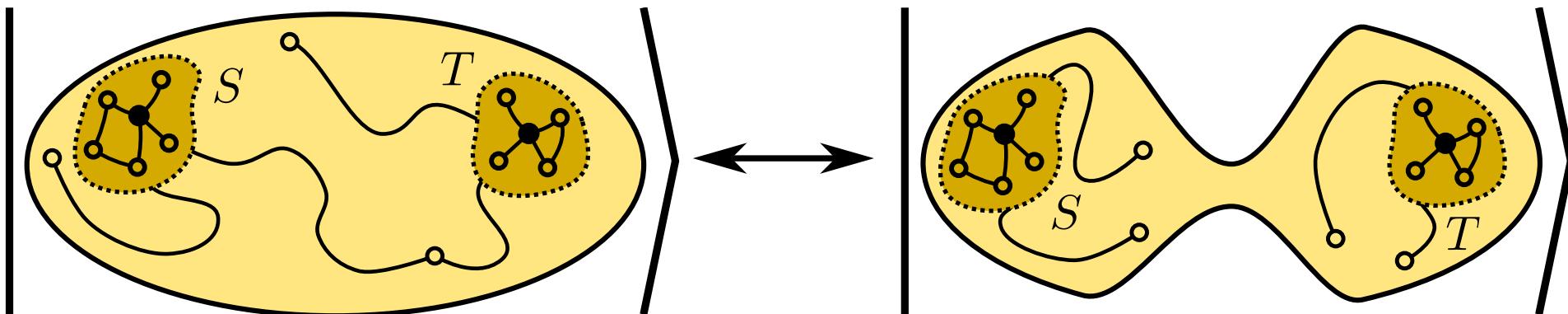


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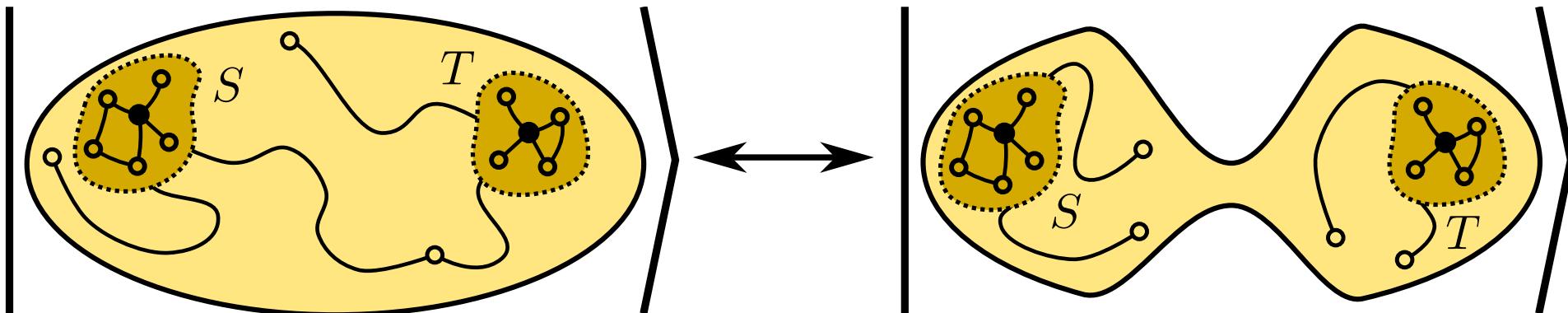


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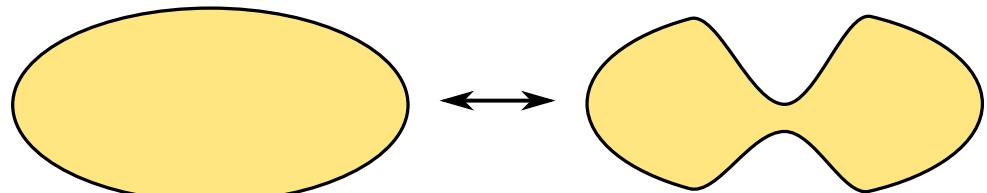
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