

ASSIGNMENT 8 TIPS AND TRICKS



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- ▶ *traveling salesperson problem*
- ▶ *nearest insertion heuristic*
- ▶ *smallest increase heuristic*
- ▶ *implementation*
- ▶ *beyond*

Goals

- Implement a data structure using **linked lists**.
- Analyze the running time of a program.
- Explore a notoriously difficult problem (see Intractability lecture).



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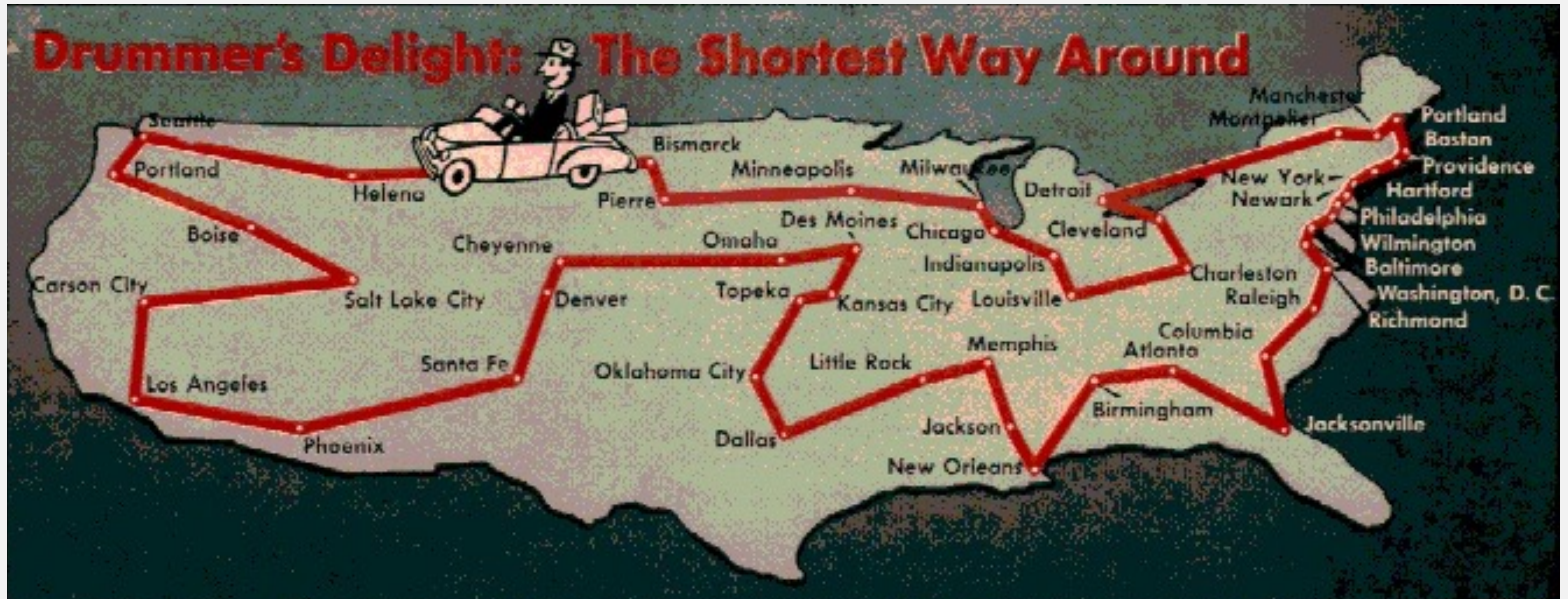
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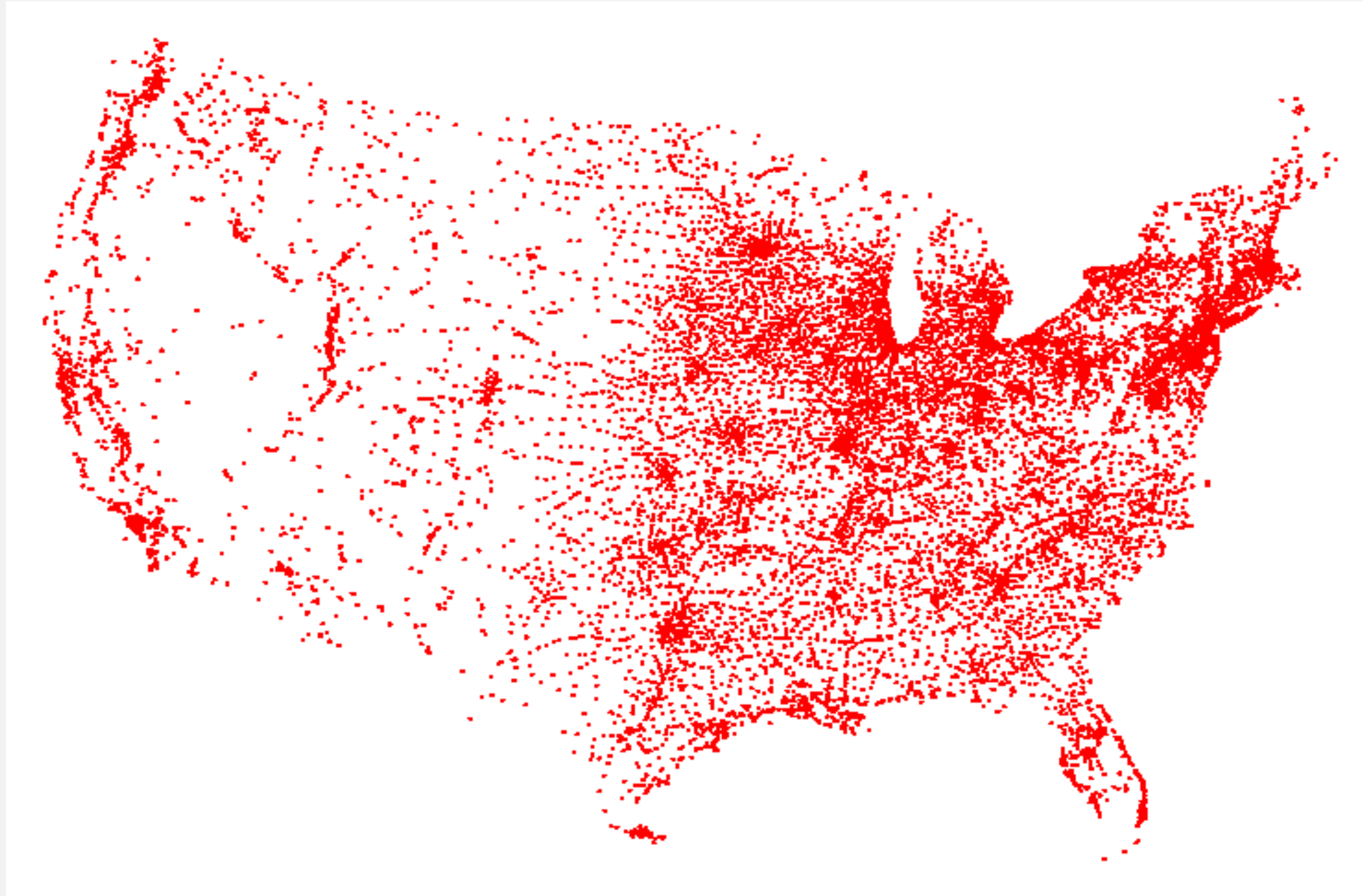
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Euclidean TSP

Given n points in the plane, find a tour of minimum length that visits them all.

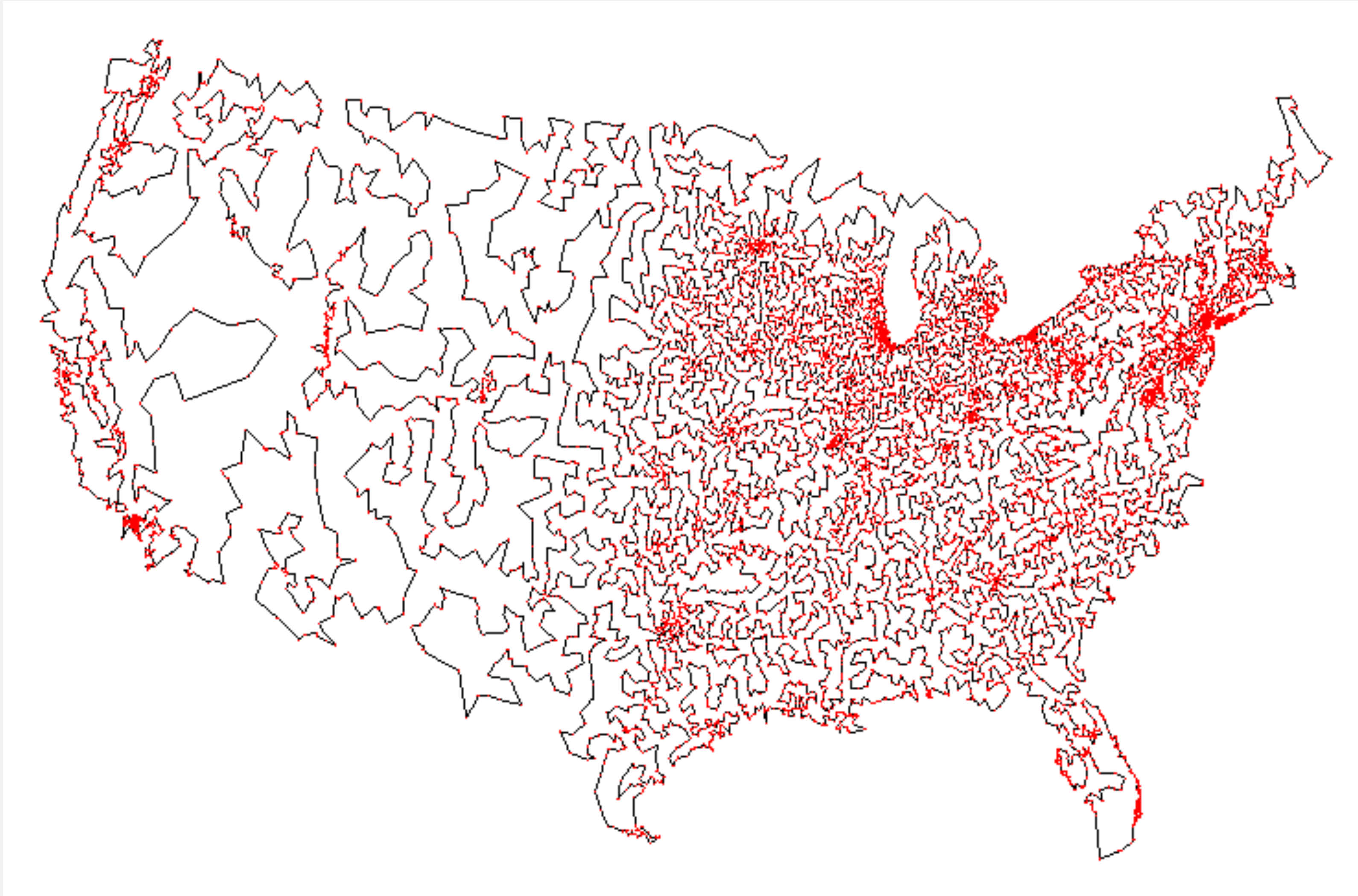


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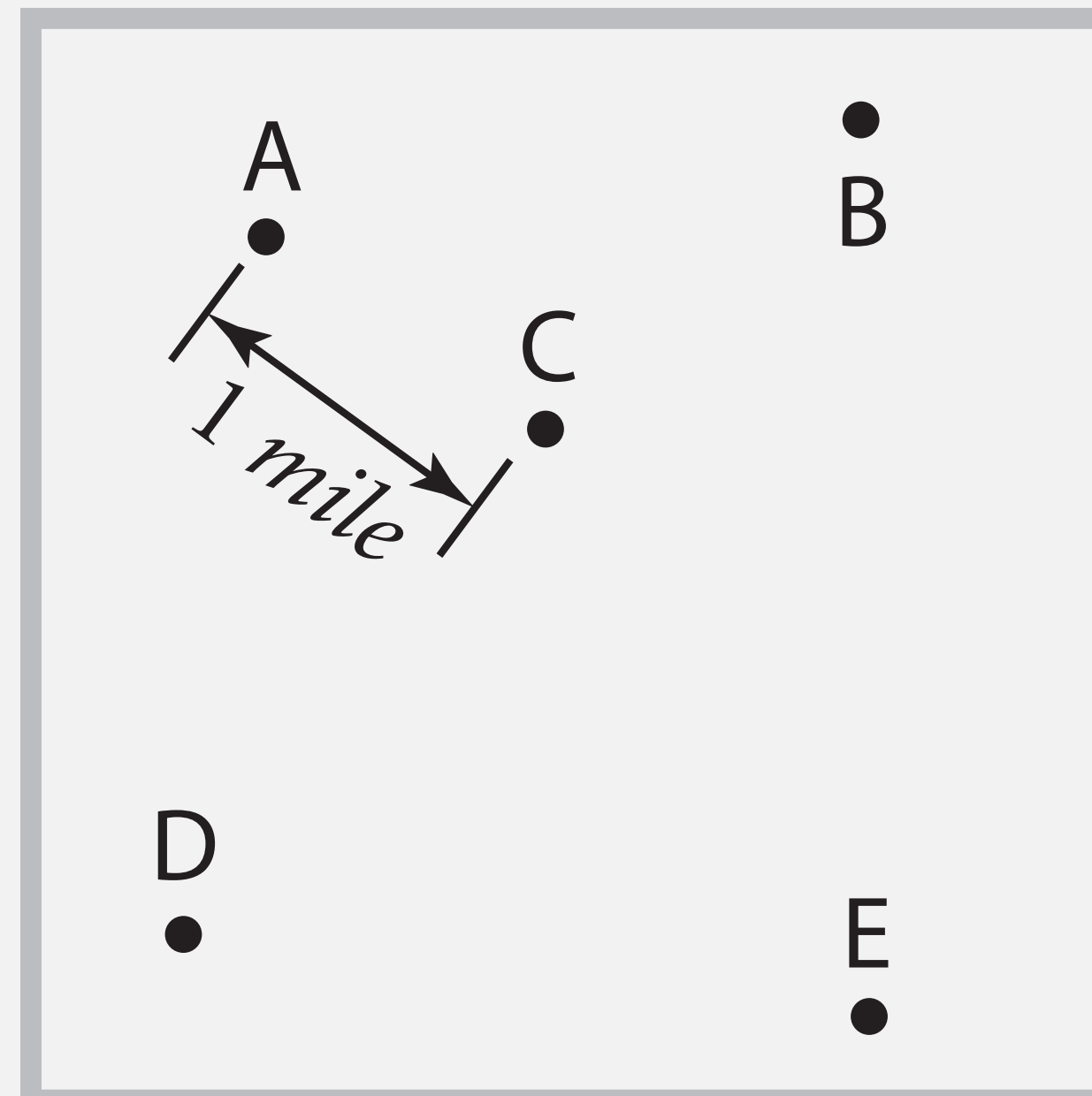
optimal TSP tour
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General TSP

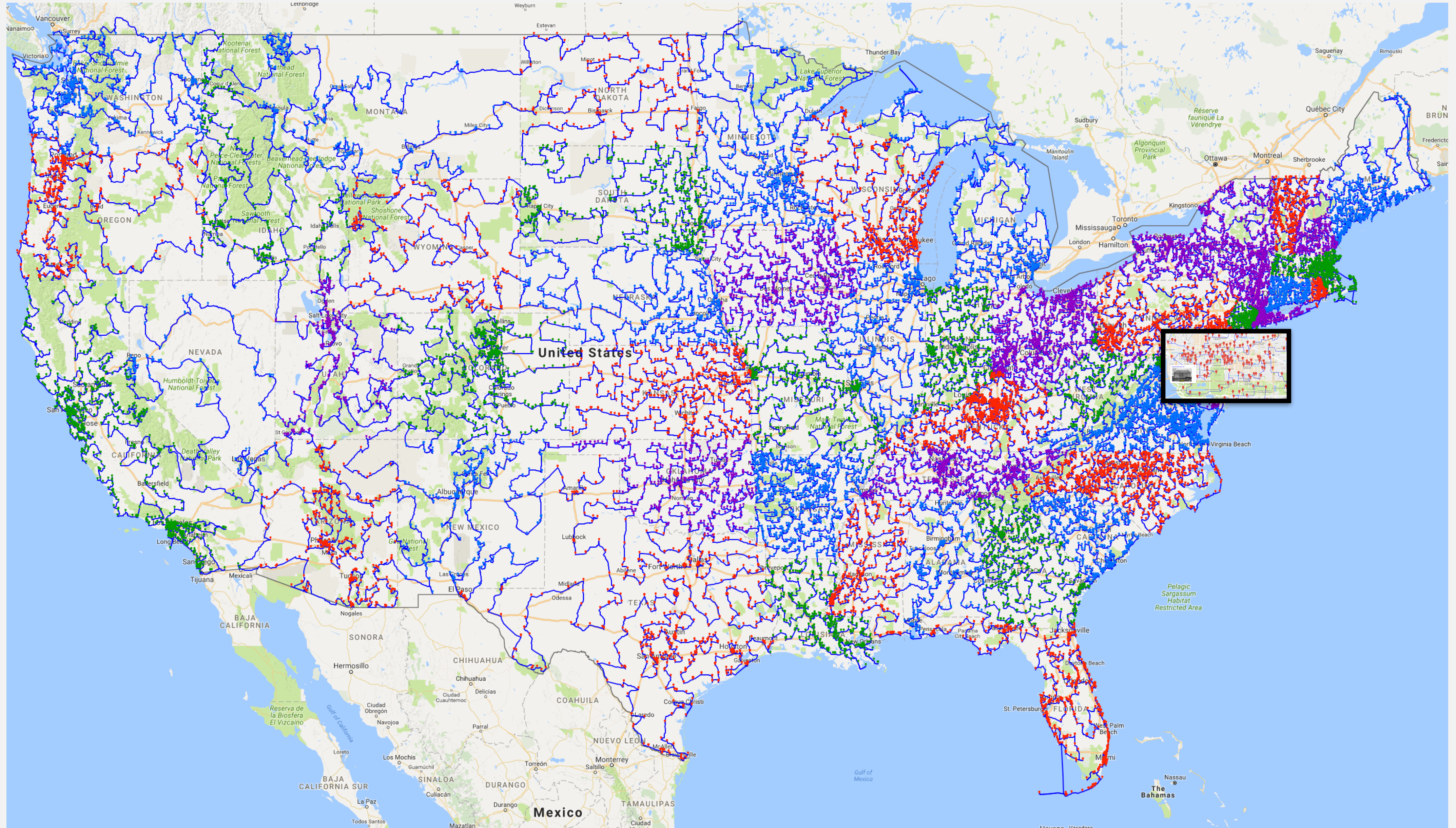
Given n points and pairwise “distances”, find a tour of minimum length that visits them all.

Distances could represent:

- Costs.
- Travel times.
- Fuel consumed.
- Some more abstract quantity.
- ...

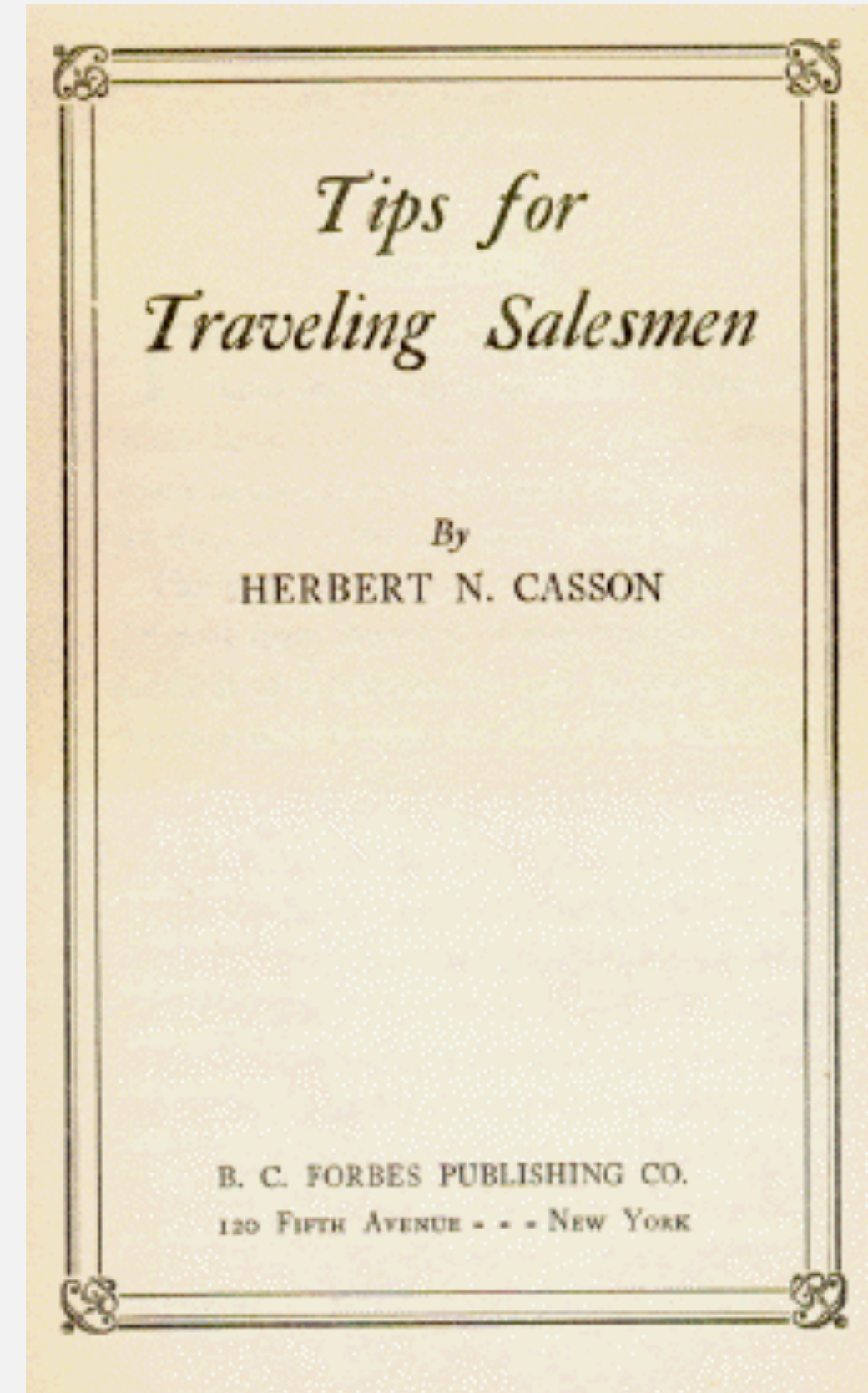


USA landmarks



Applications

Traveling salespeople? Probably not.



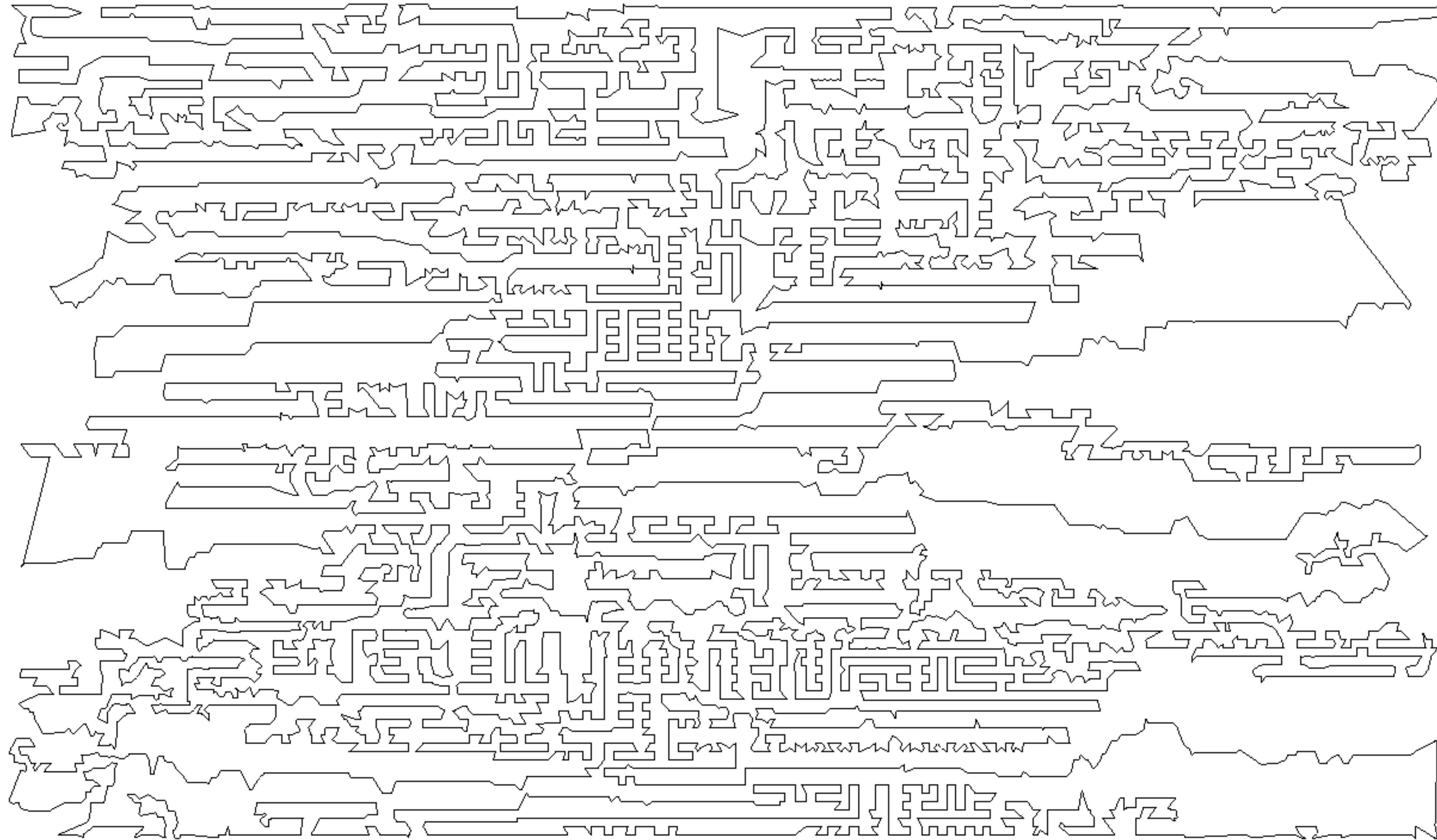
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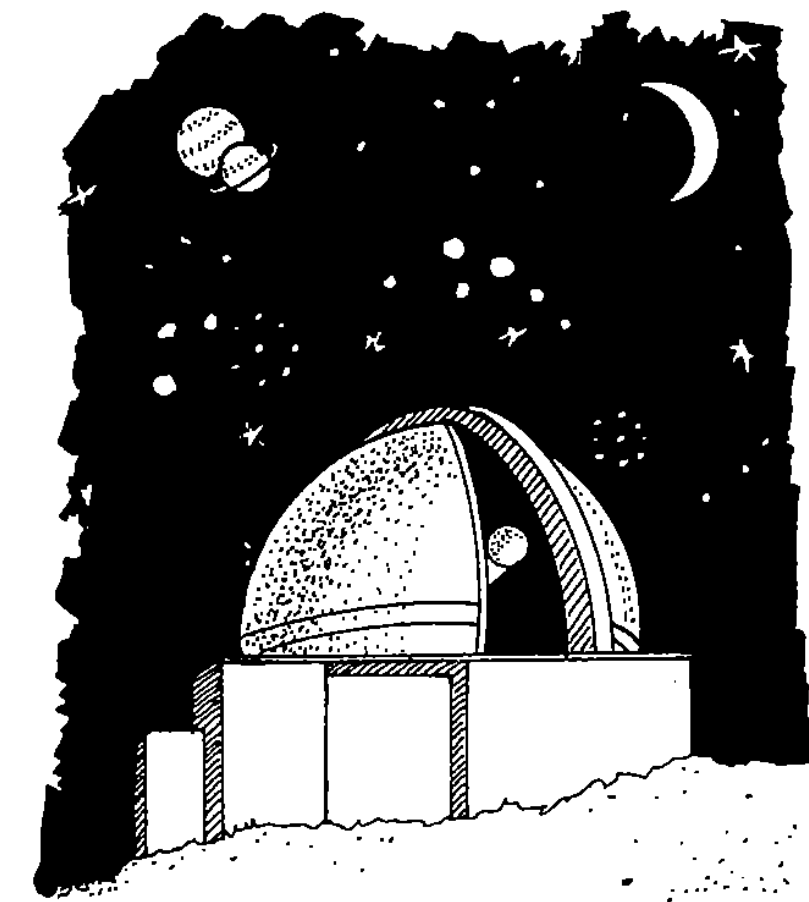
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Fuel-Saving Strategies for Dual Spacecraft Interferometry Missions

Christopher A. Bailey,¹ Timothy W. McLain,² and Randal W. Beard³

Abstract

Separated spacecraft interferometry missions will require that spacecraft move in a coordinated fashion to ensure minimal and balanced consumption of fuel. This paper develops strategies for determining interferometry mission plans that result in significant fuel savings over standard approaches. Simulation results demonstrate that valuable reductions in fuel consumption can be realized by combining the retargeting and imaging maneuvers required to image multiple stellar sources. Fuel-optimal imaging strategies have been developed for two-spacecraft interferometry missions similar to the proposed StarLight mission using chained local optimization methods. Based on these strategies, sampling-pattern guidelines for space-borne interferometry missions have been developed.



Optimization and the Traveling Salesman Problem

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Computational biology. Map the mouse genome.

A radiation hybrid transcript map of the mouse genome

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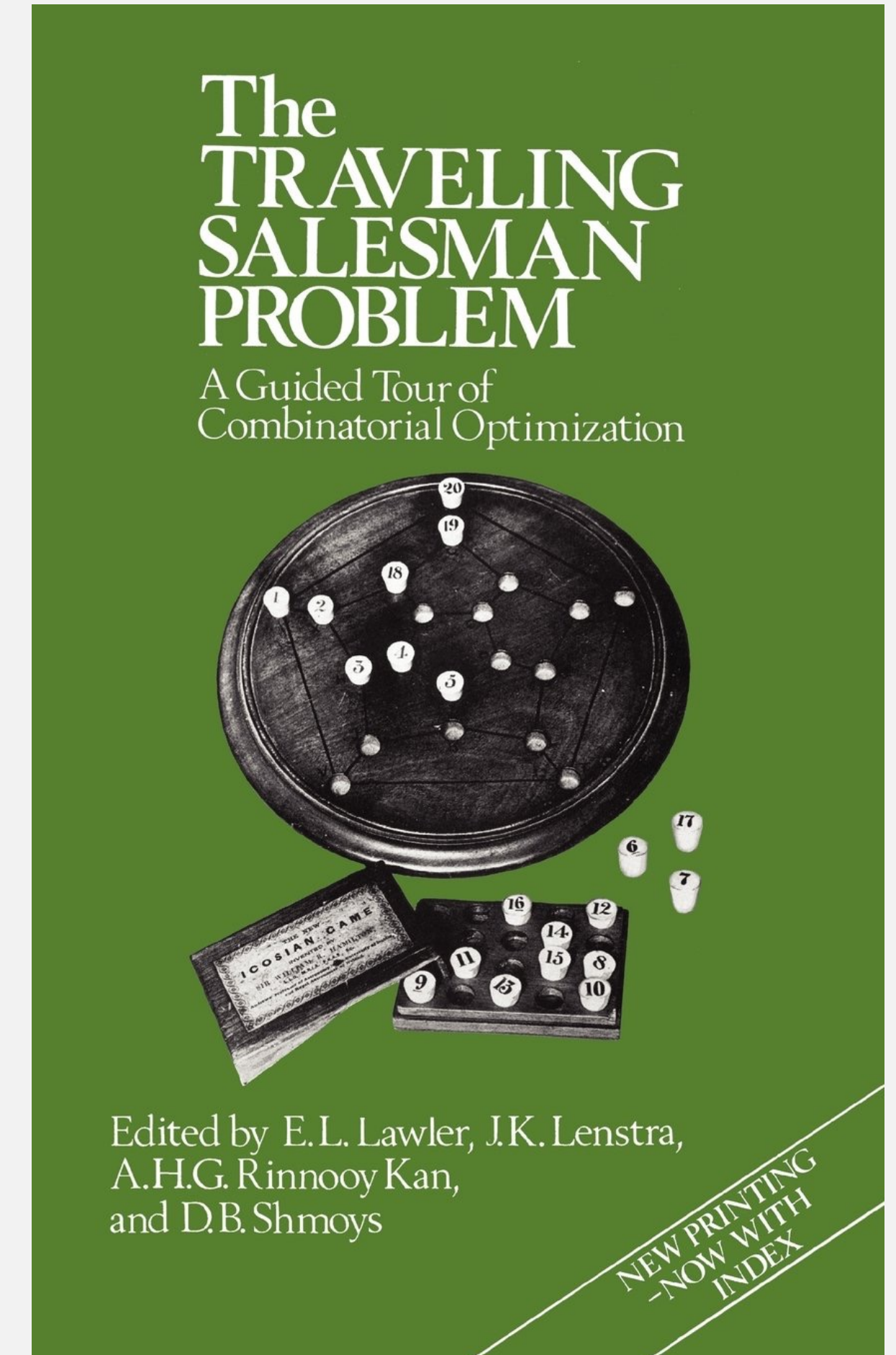
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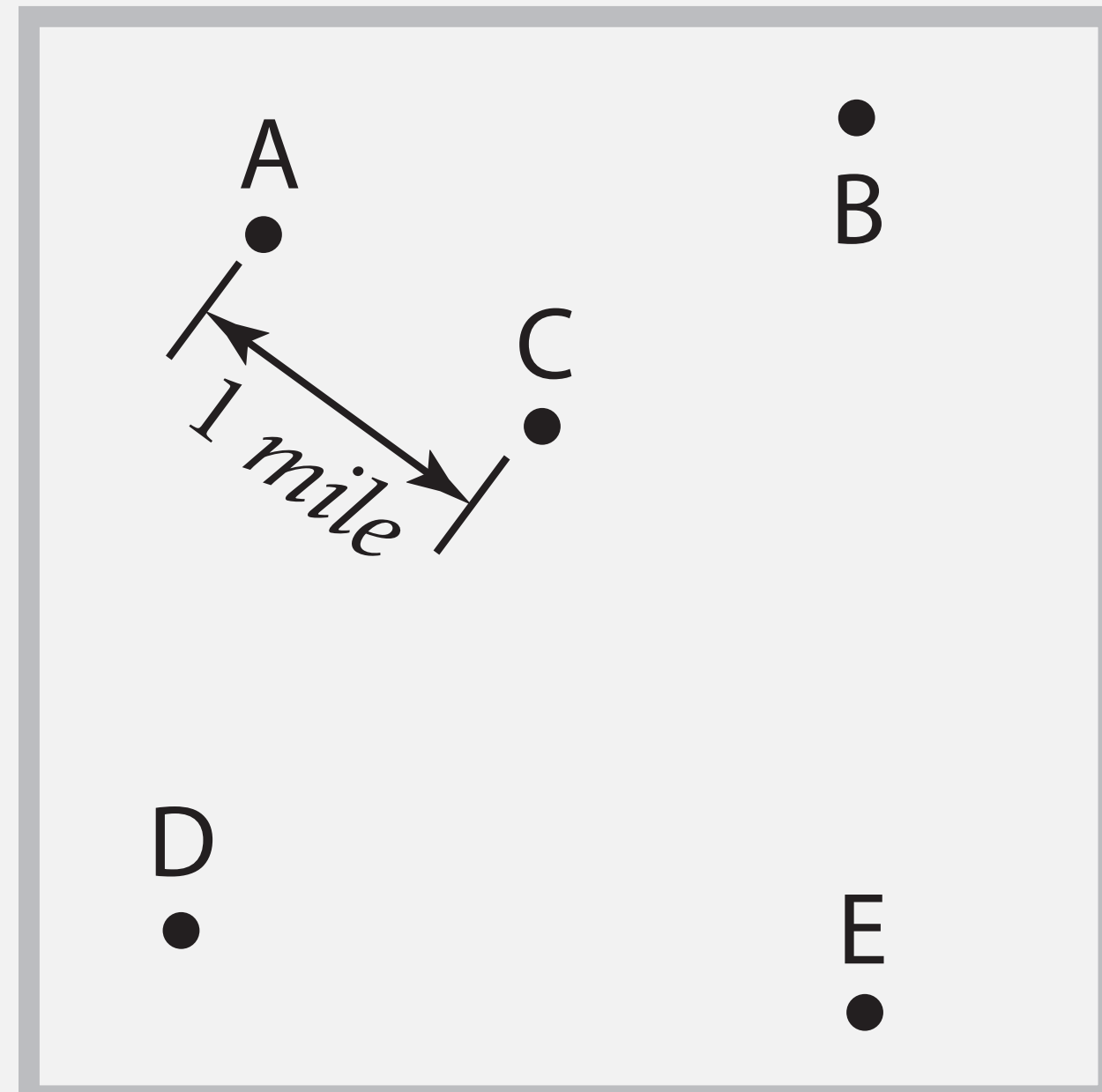
Combinatorial optimization. Training ground for new techniques.

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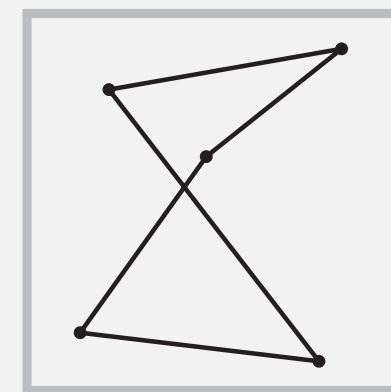


Brute-force algorithm

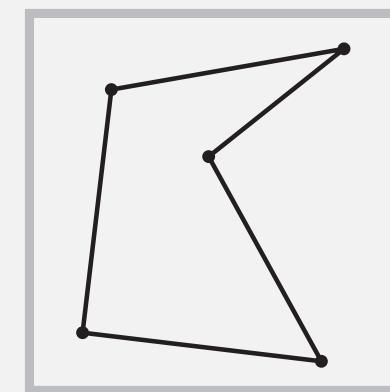
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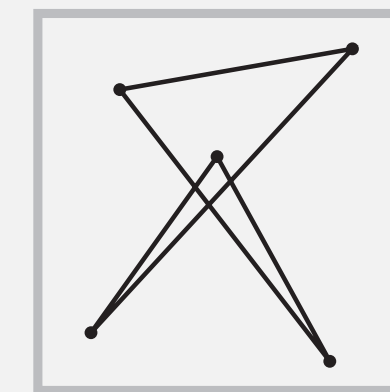
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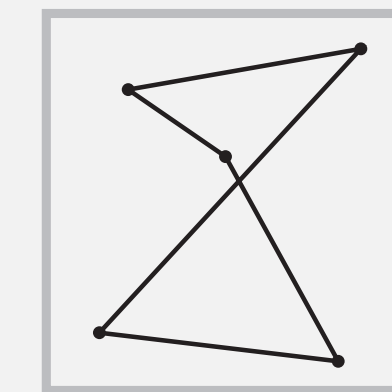
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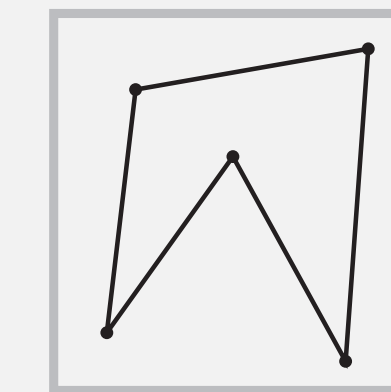
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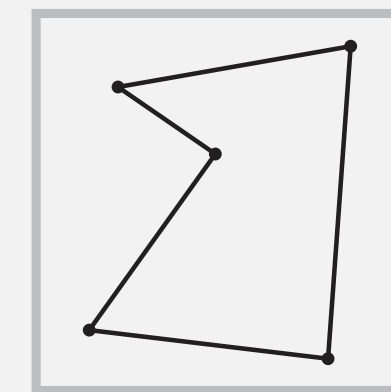
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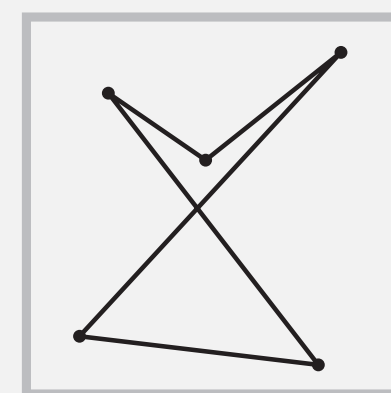
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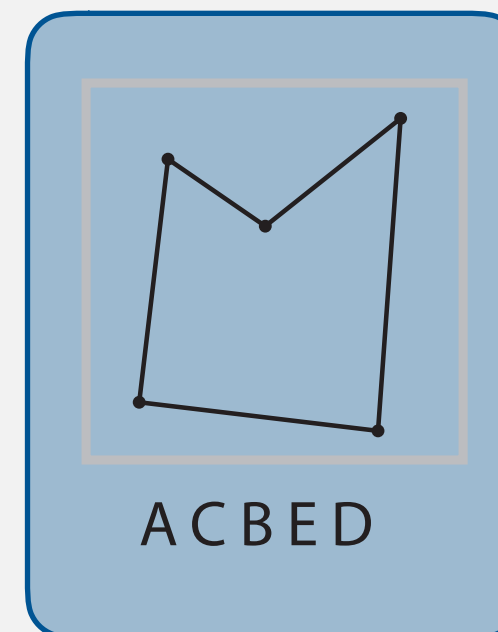
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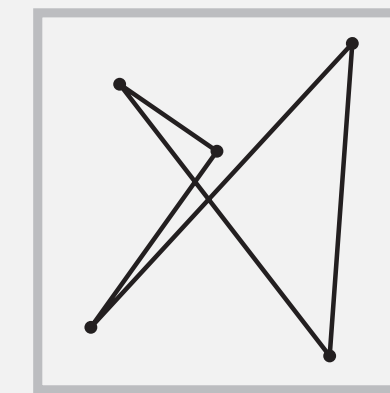
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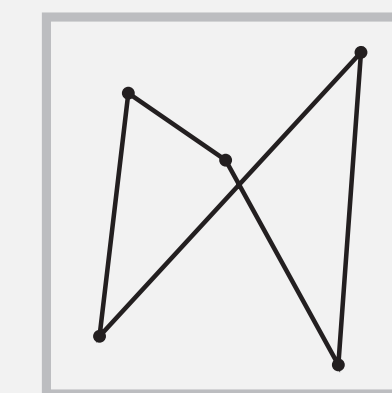
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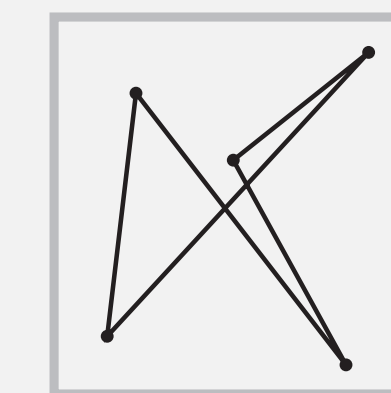
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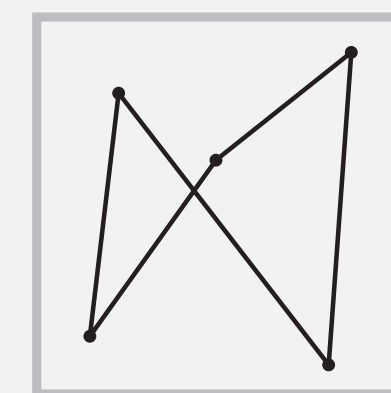
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ADBCE



ADCBE

Brute-force algorithm

Estimate how many possible tours among $n = 1,000$ cities?

- A. 181,440
- B. 1,000,000
- C. 60,822,550,204,416,000
- D. $2.01 \times 10^{2,564}$

n	# tours
5	12
10	181,440
20	60,822,550,204,416,000
50	3.04×10^{62}
100	4.66×10^{155}
1,000	$2.01 \times 10^{2,564}$

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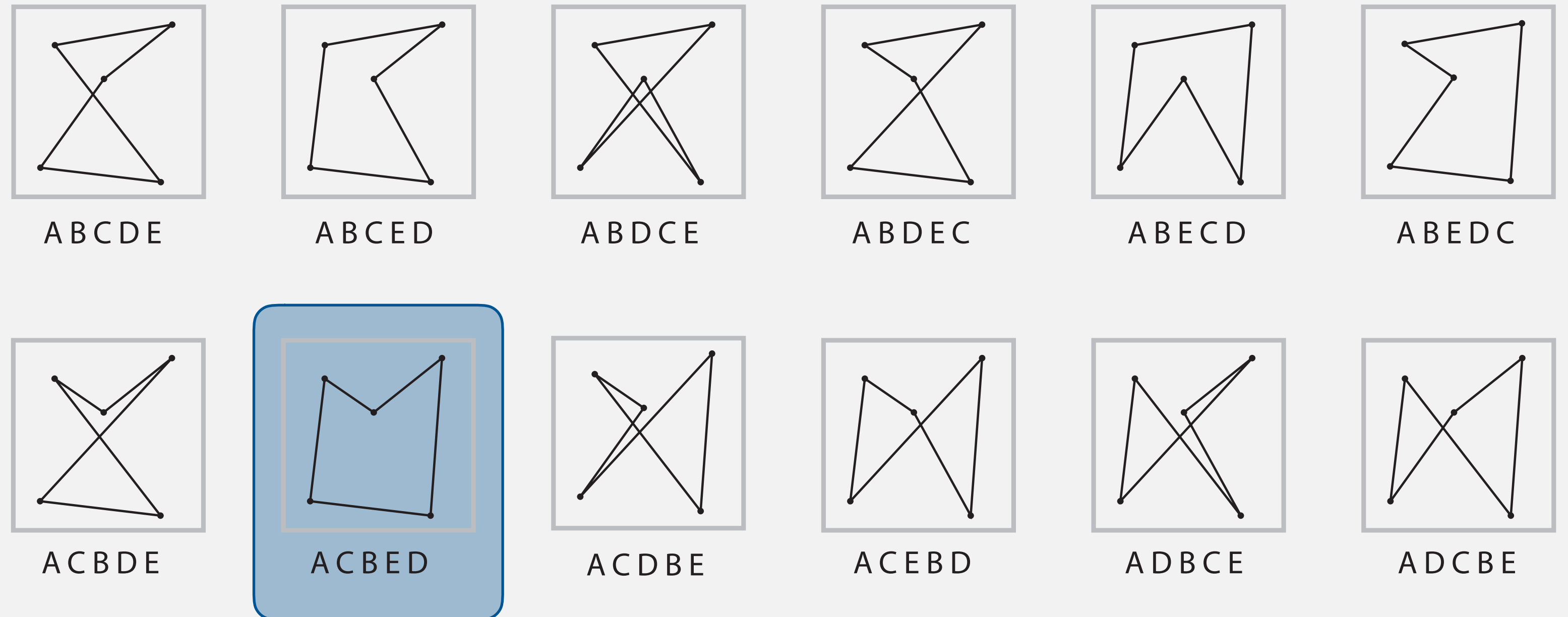
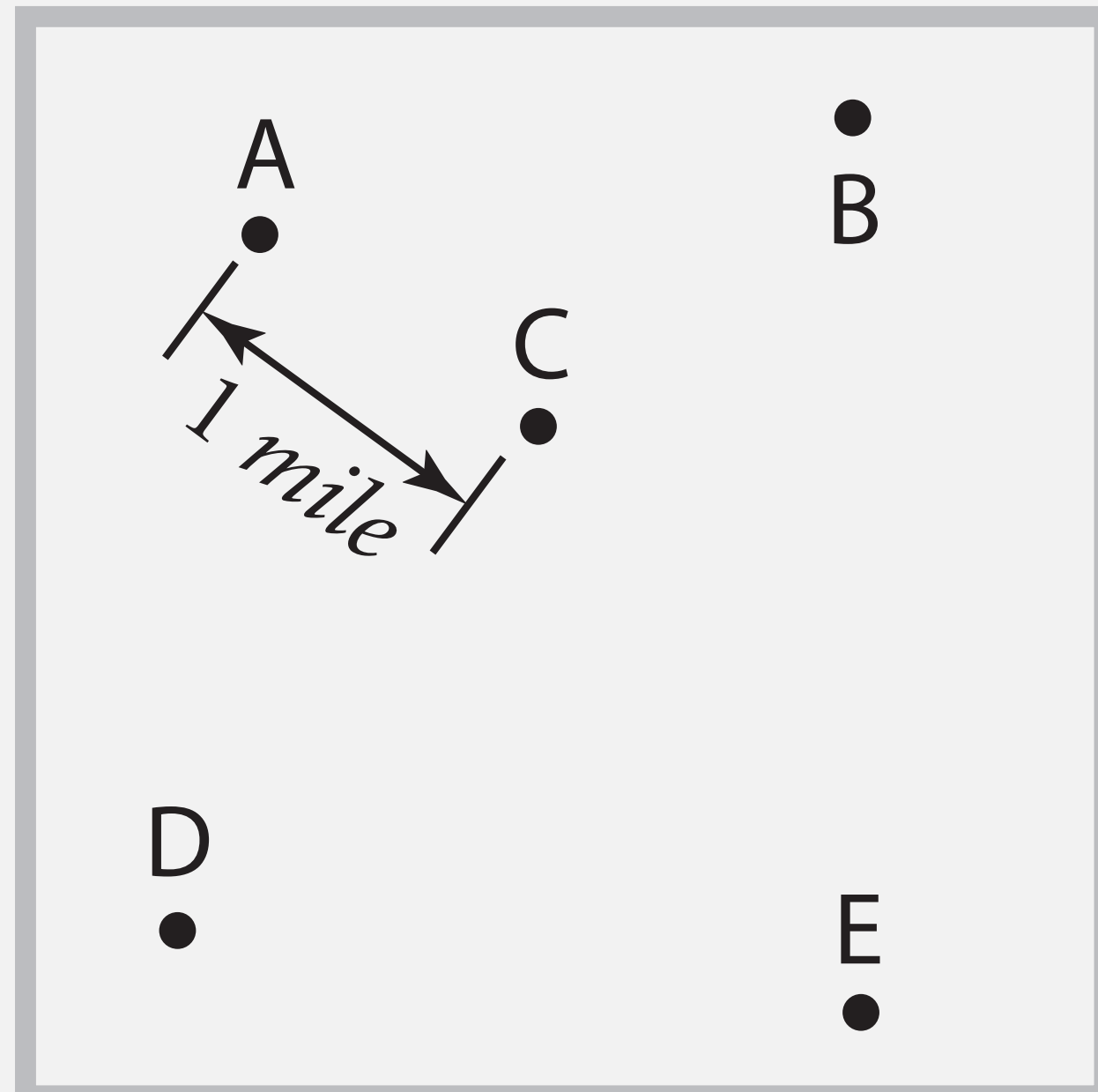
Easy? Try all possible tours; pick best one.

Hard? Given n points, number of possible tours is $\frac{n \times (n-1) \times (n-2) \times \dots \times 1}{2}$

$ABCDE, BCDEA, CDEAB, DEABC,$ and $EABCD$
are the same tours

$ABCDE$ and $AEDCB$
are the same tours

all possibilities



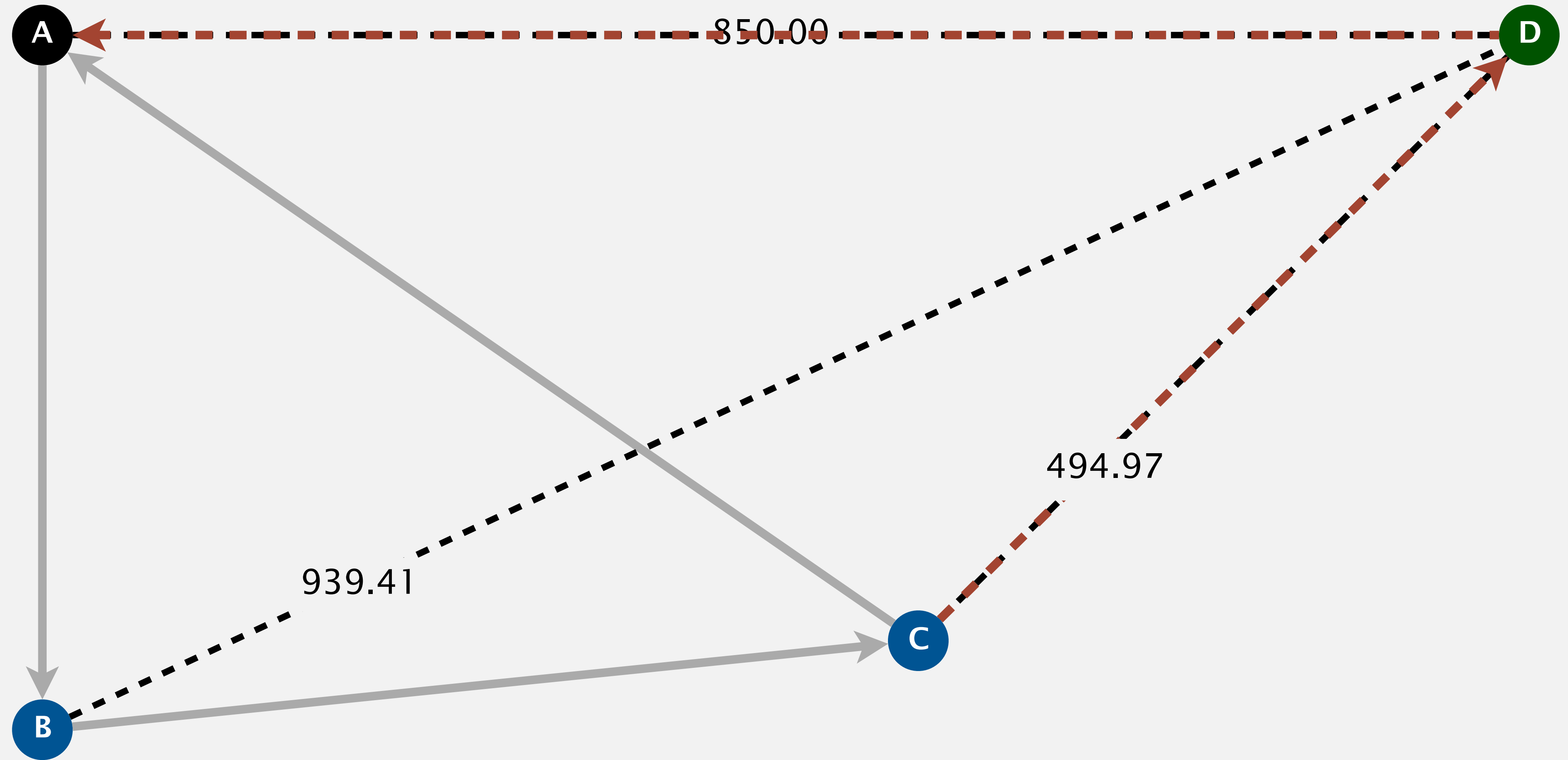
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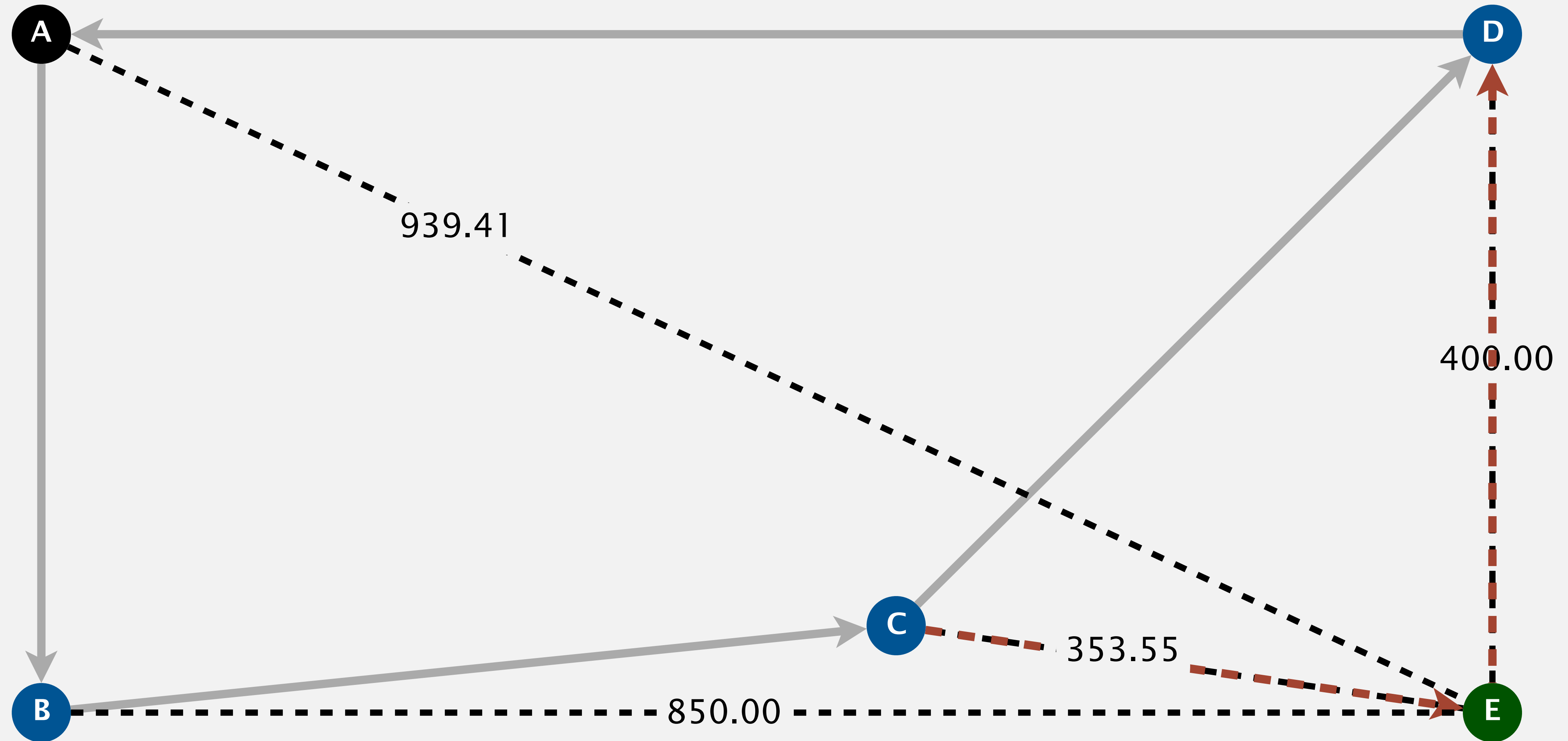
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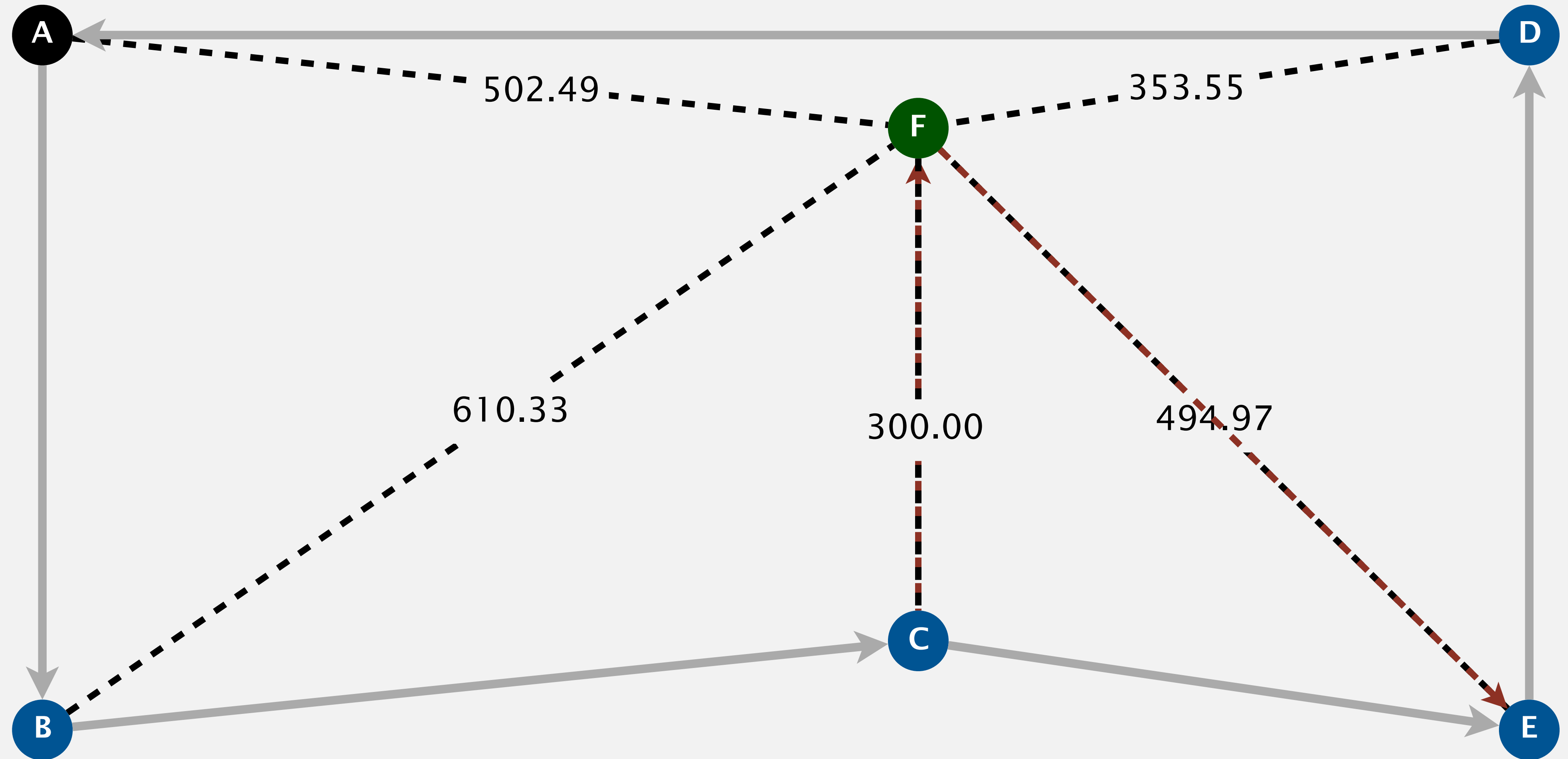
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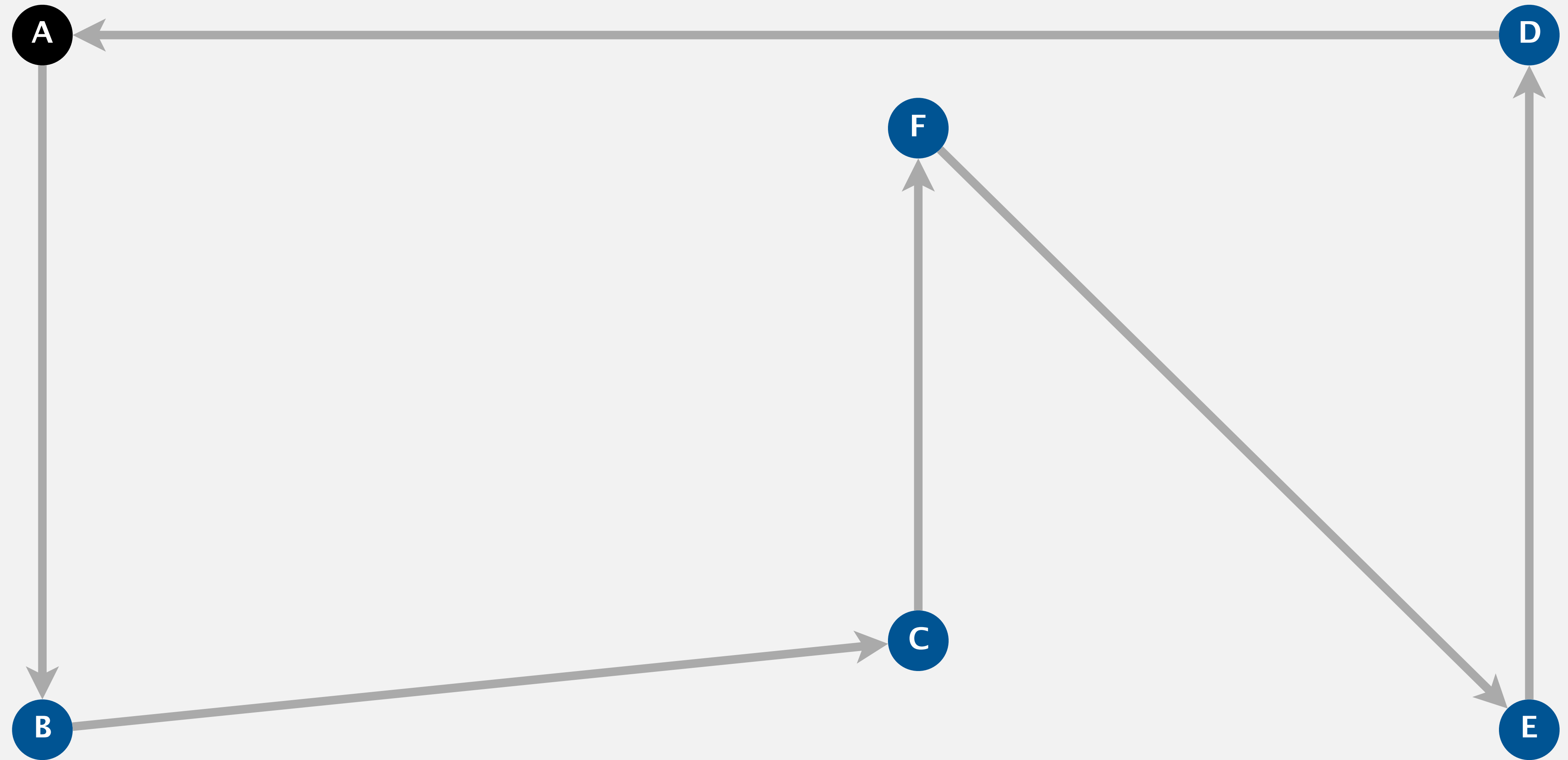
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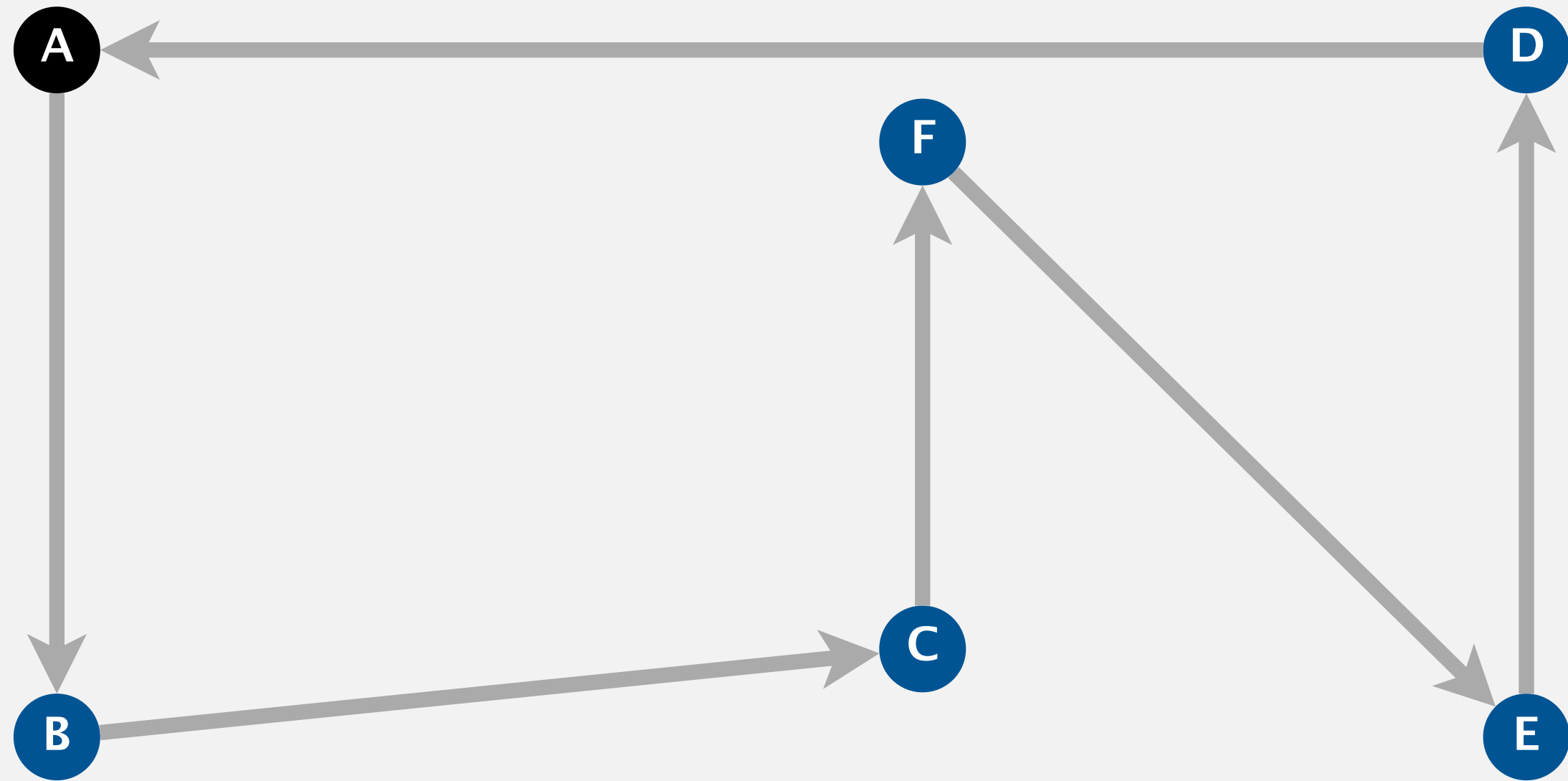
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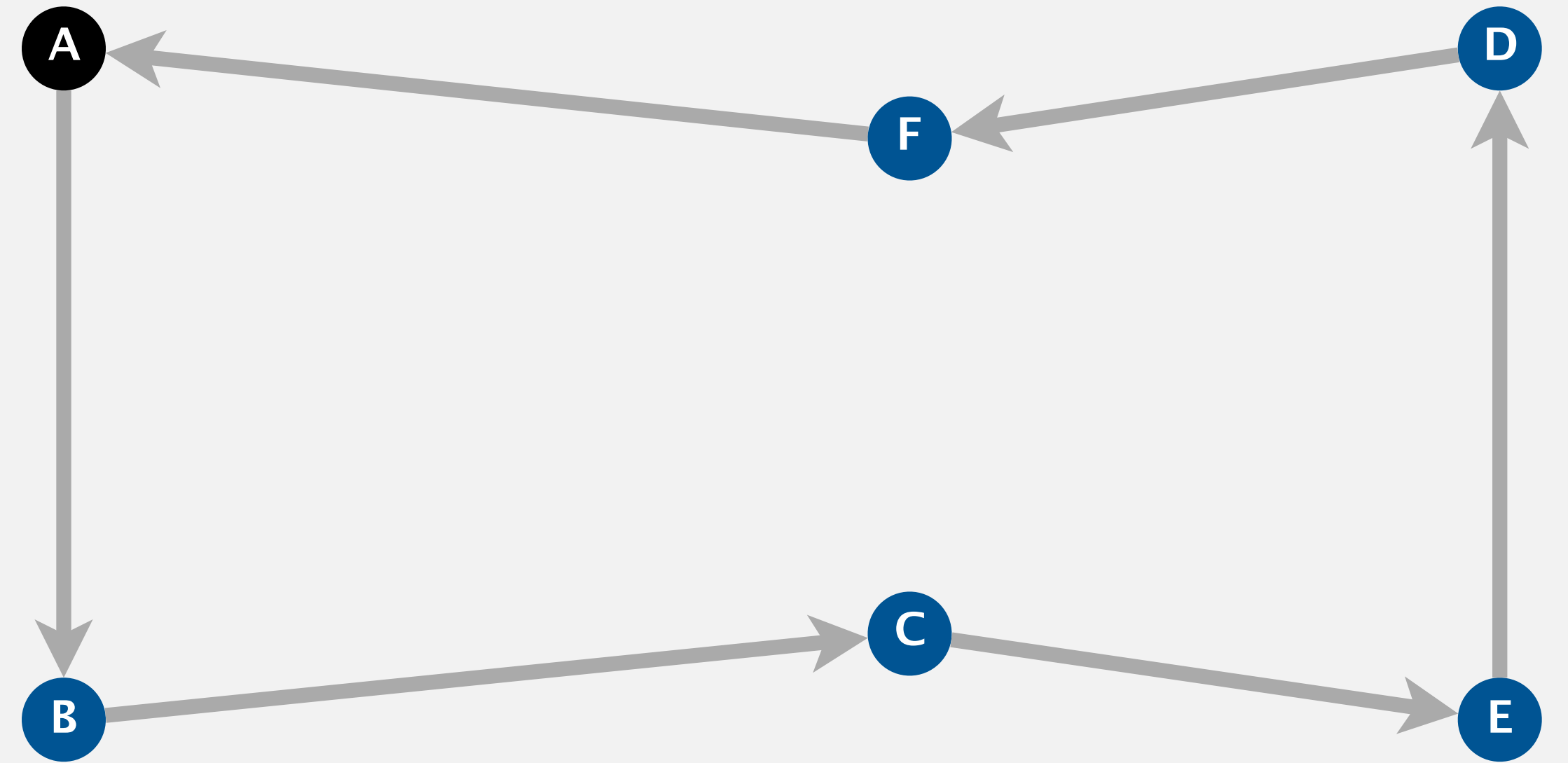
Nearest insertion heuristic

Q. Does nearest insertion heuristic guarantee to produce shortest tour?

A. No.



nearest insertion tour length = 2947.47



optimal tour length = 2512.09

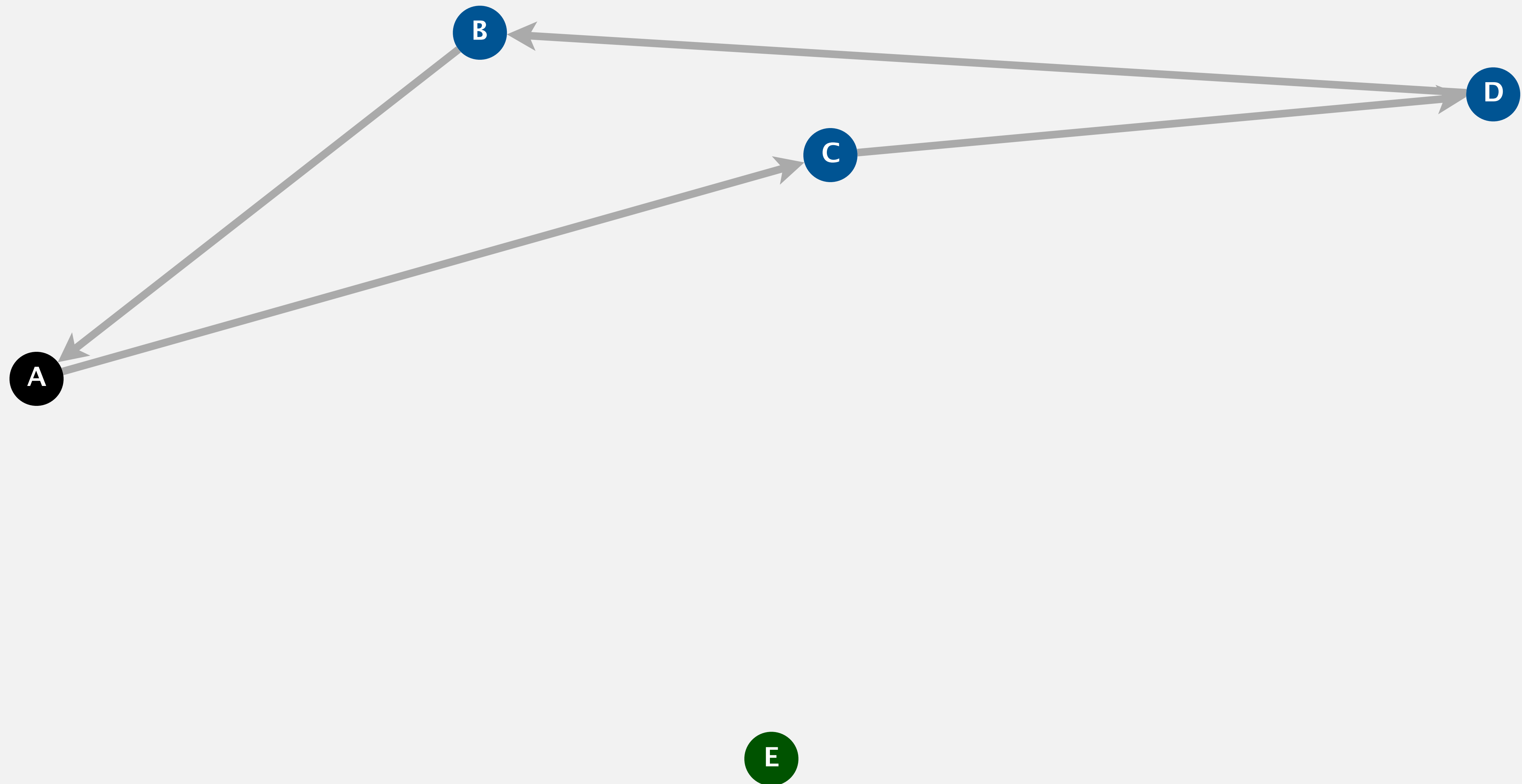
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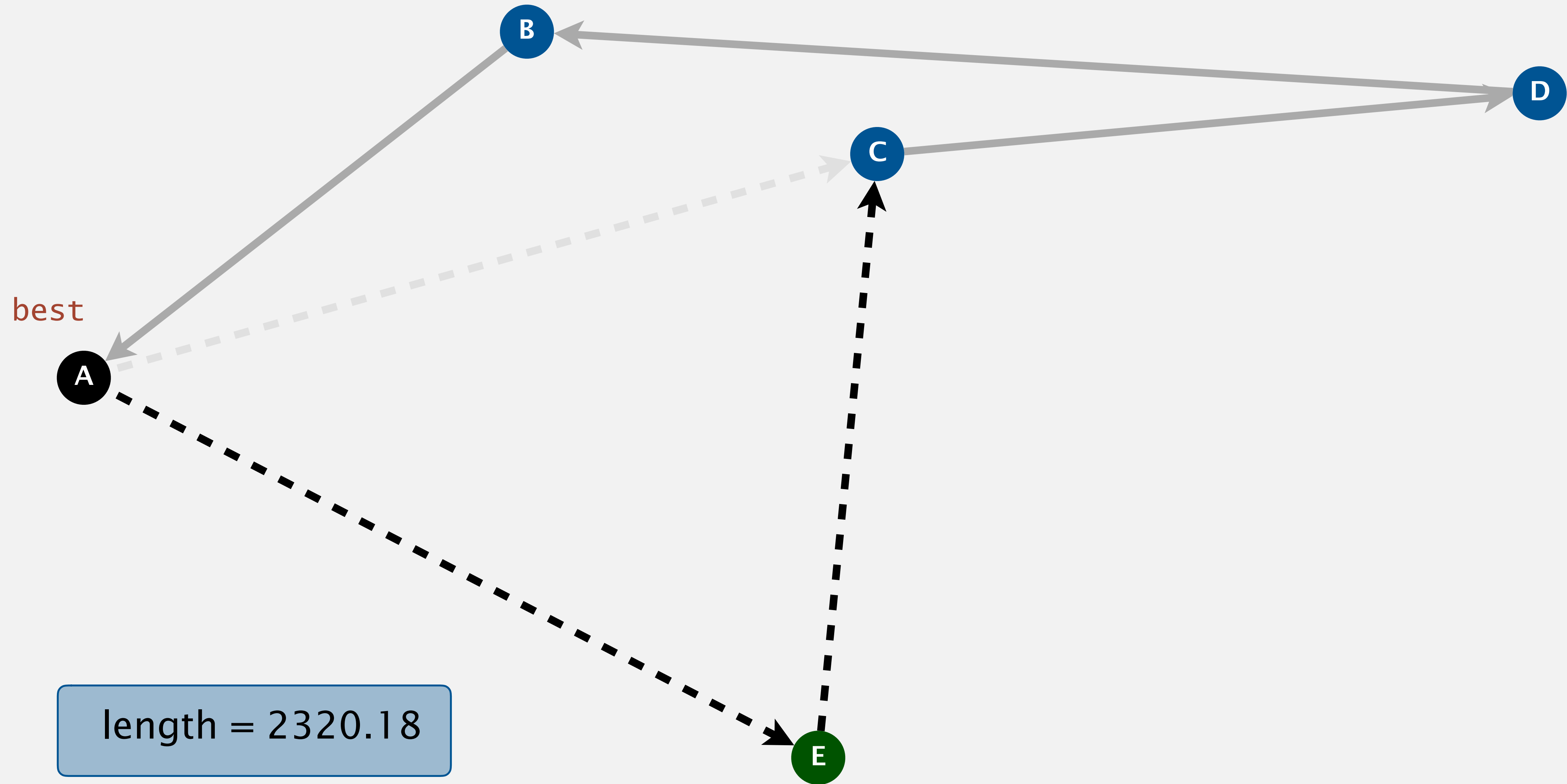
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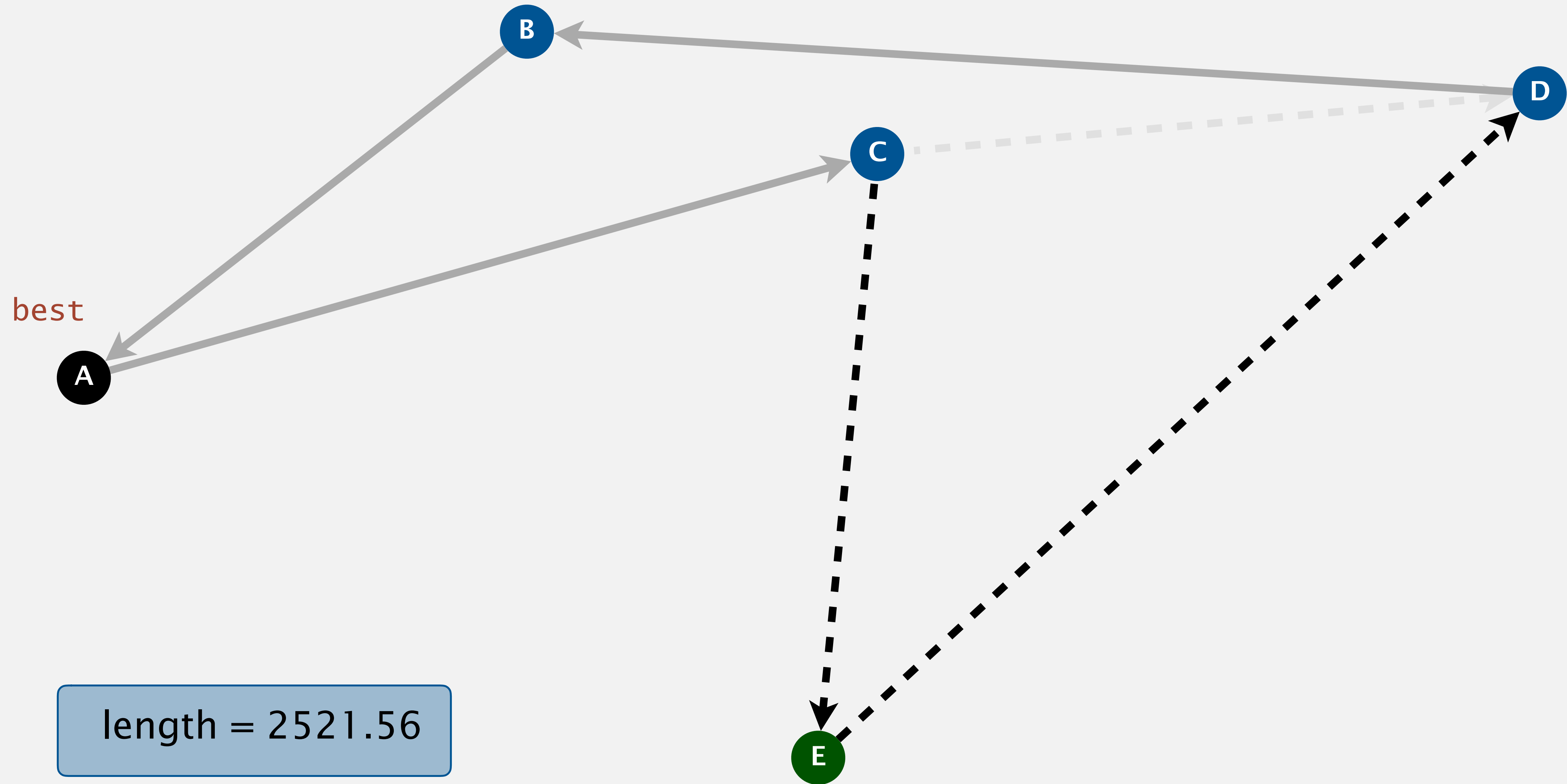
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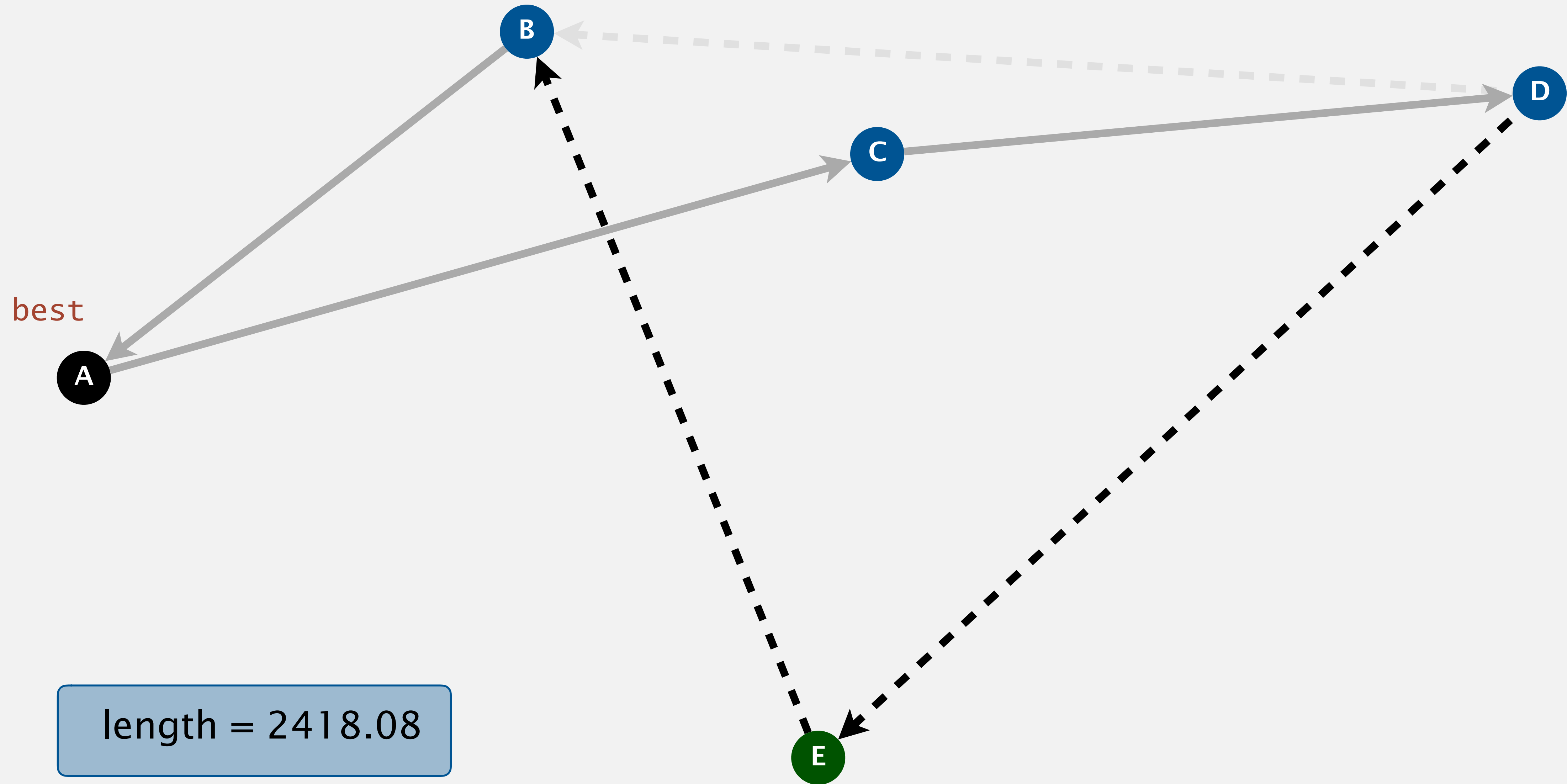
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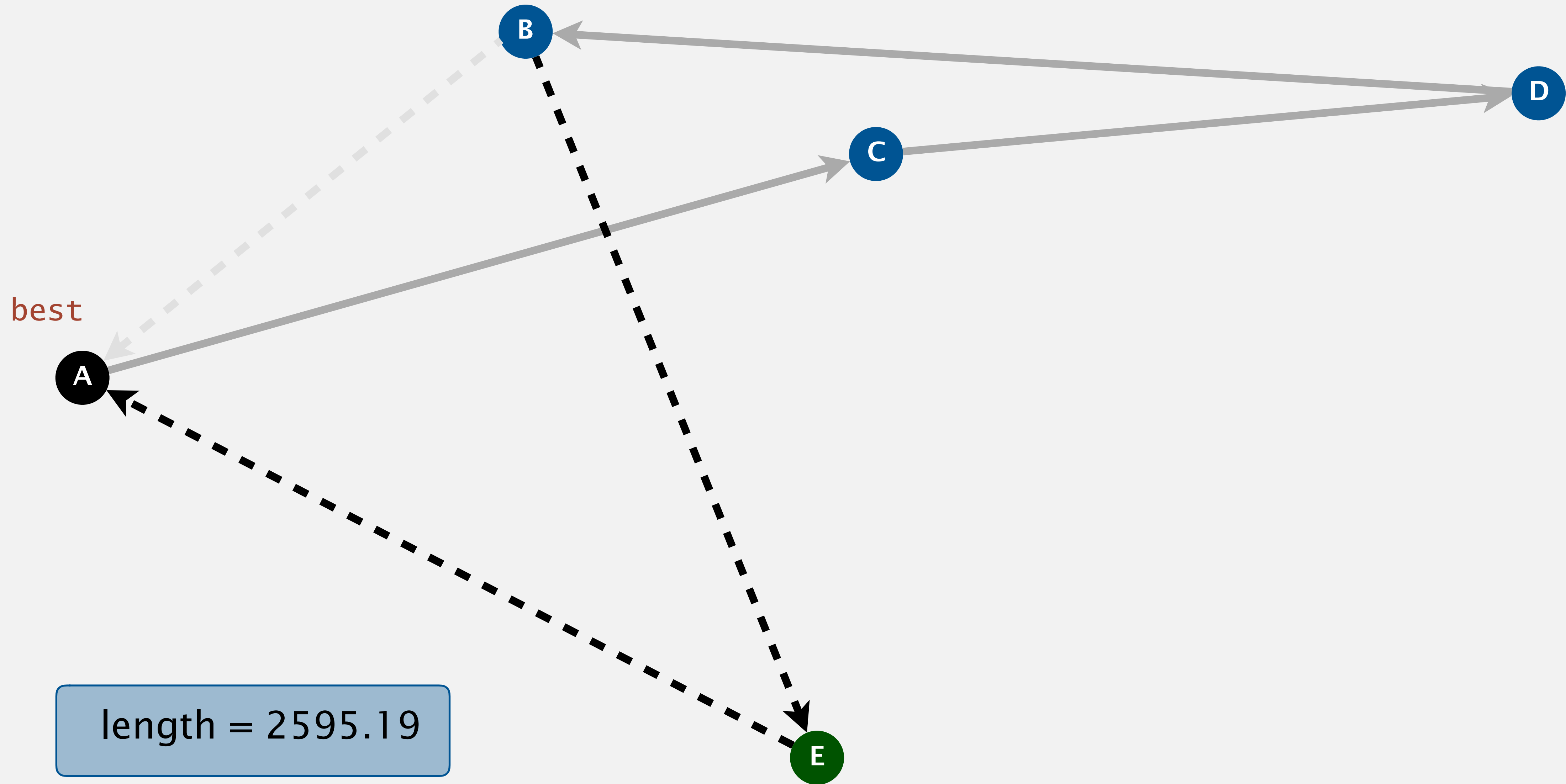
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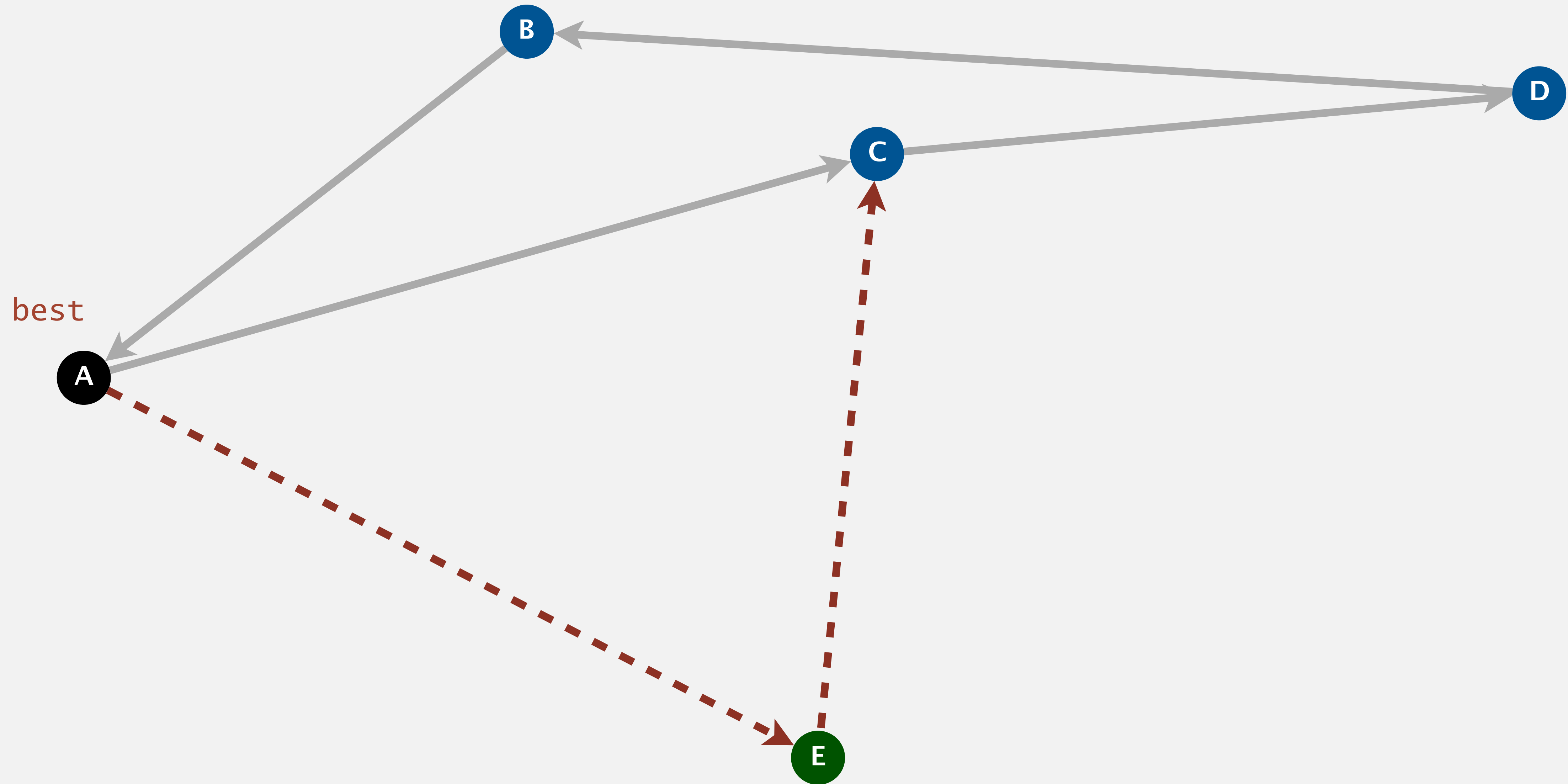
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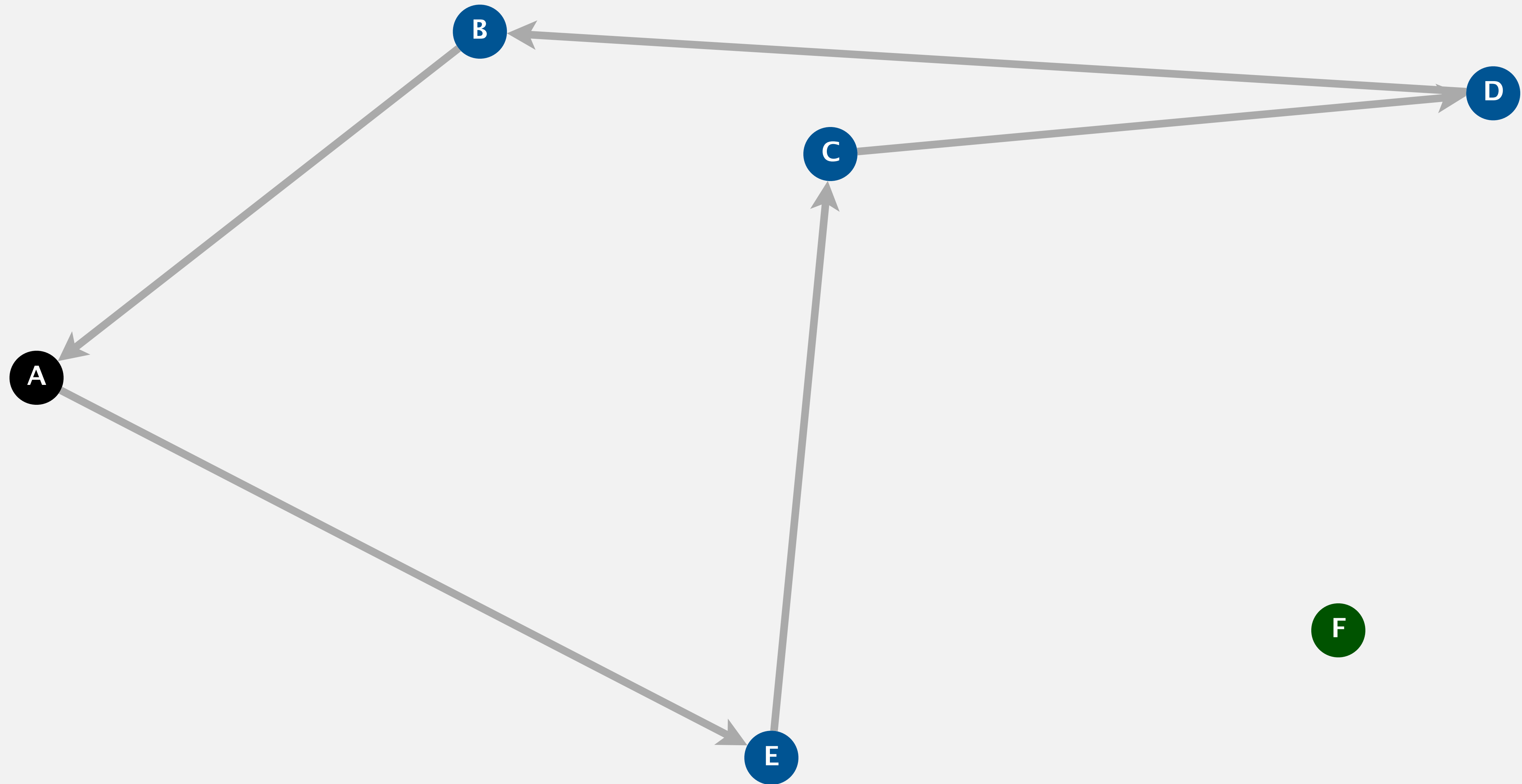
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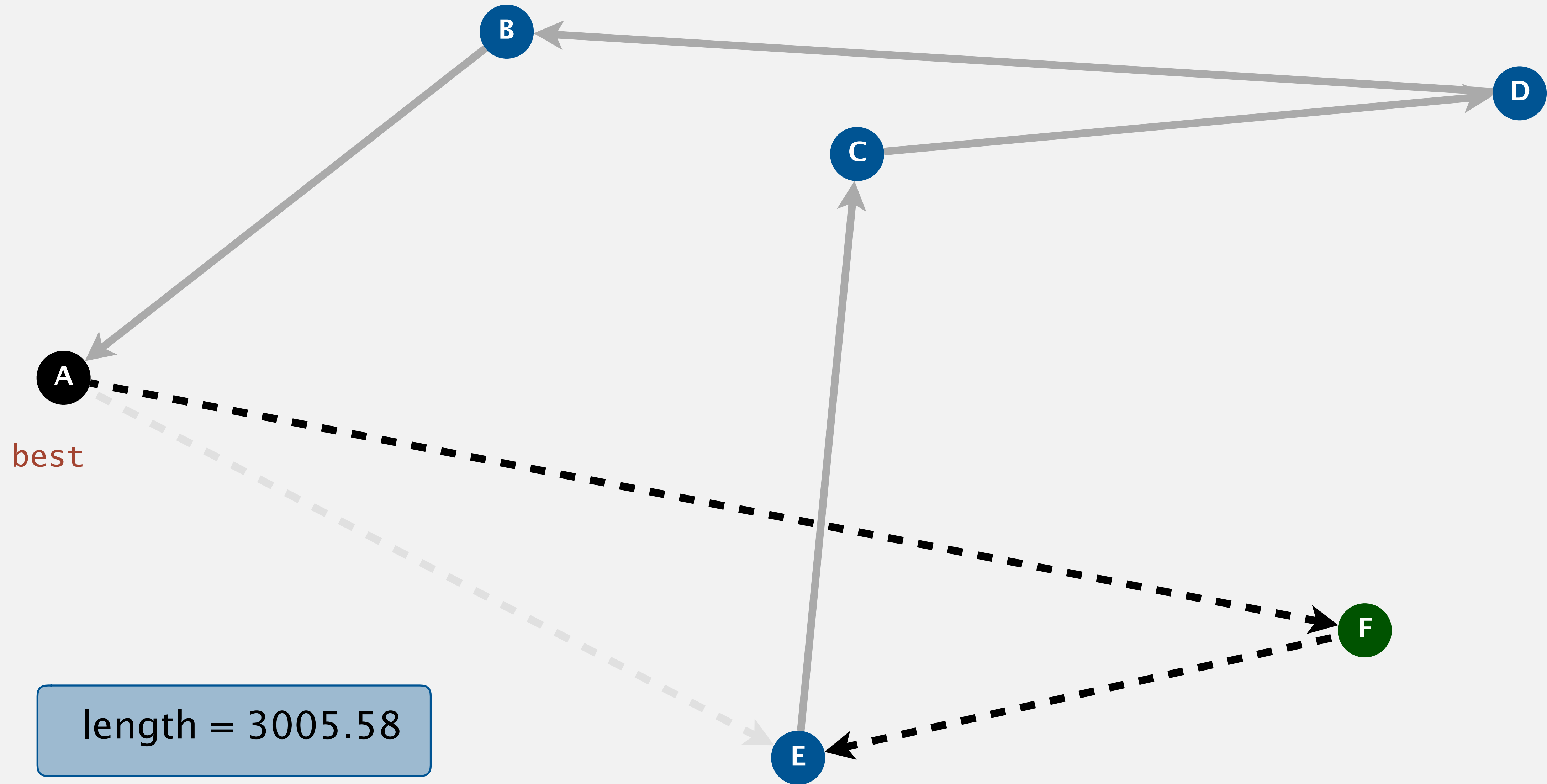
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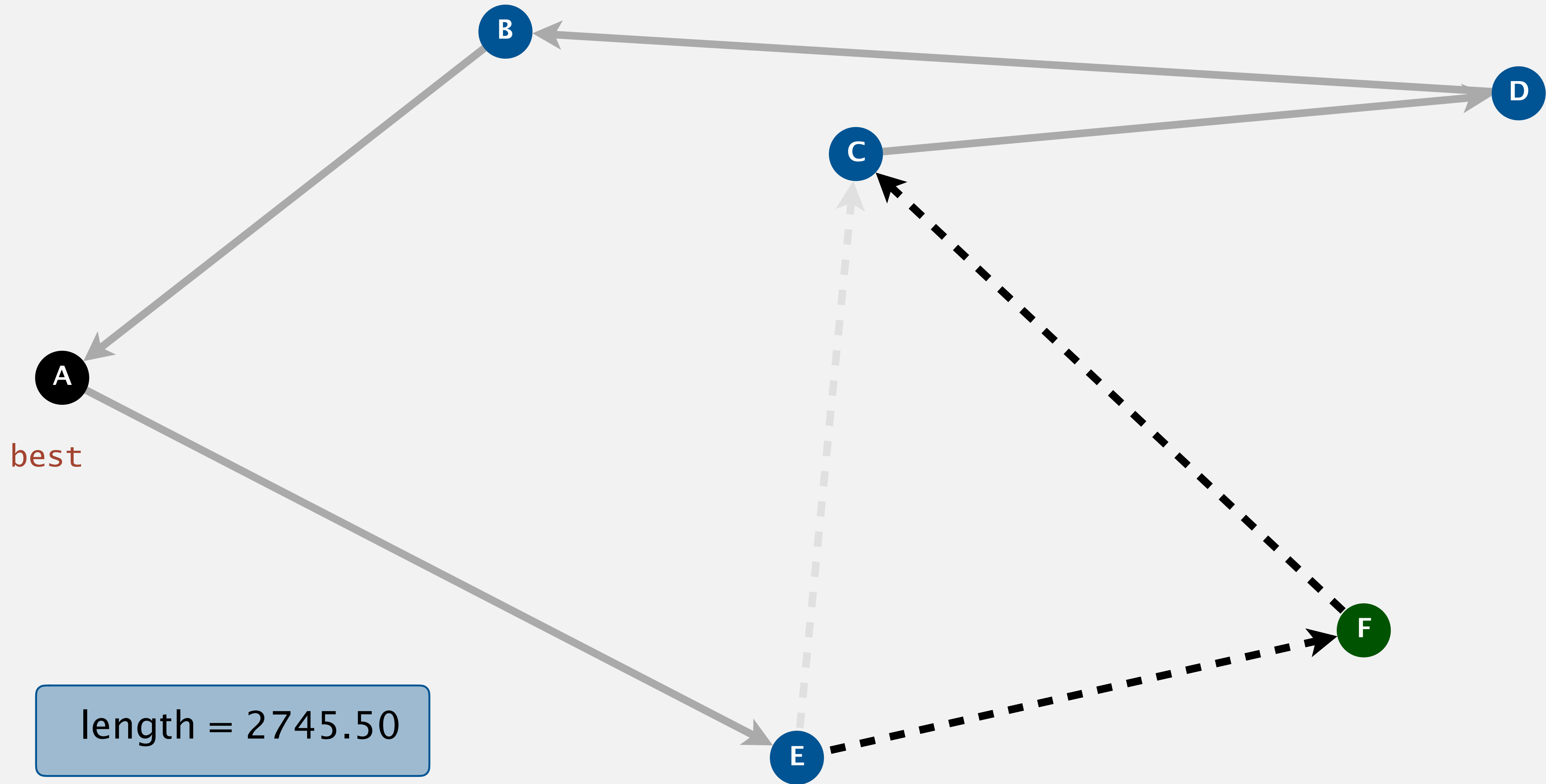
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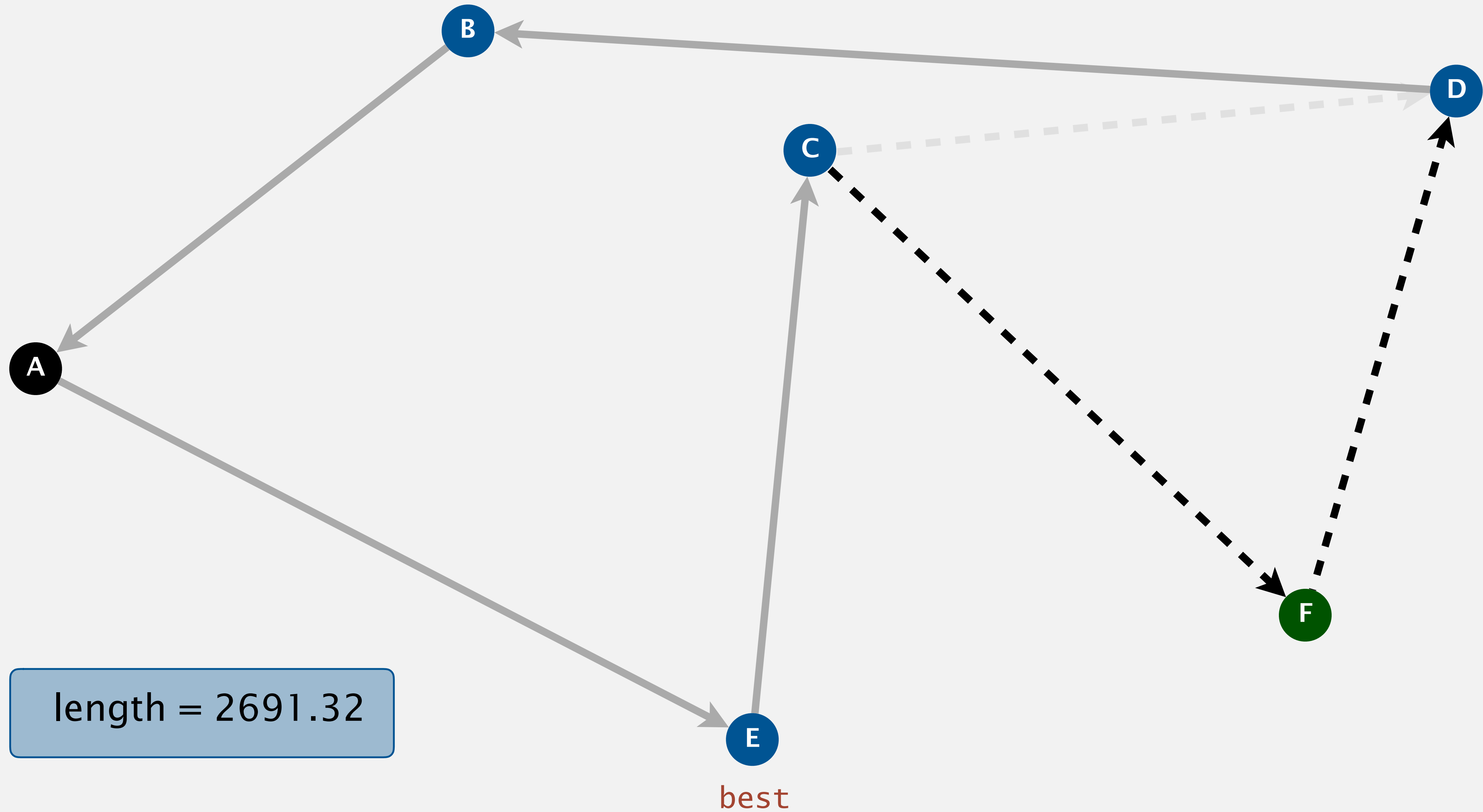
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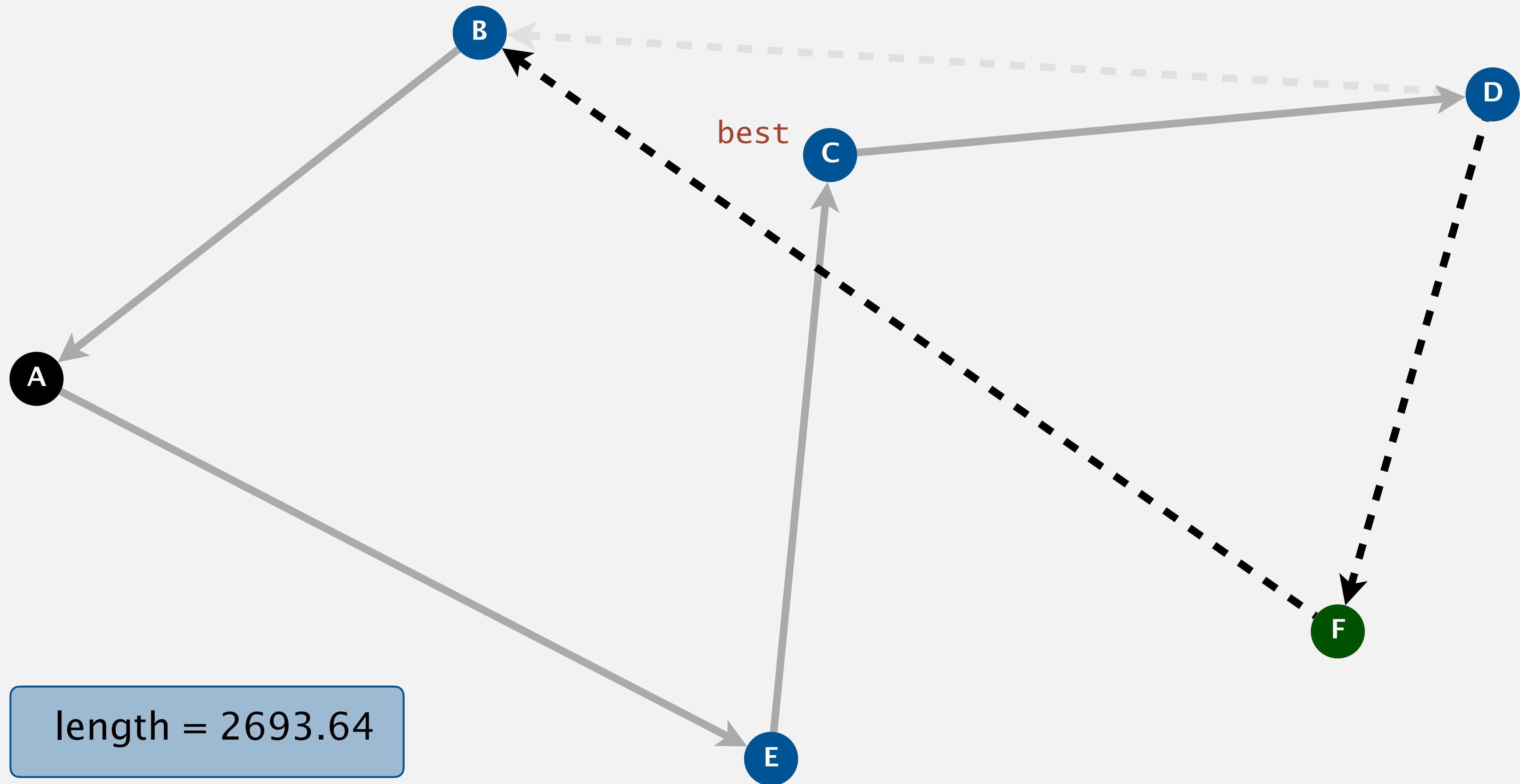
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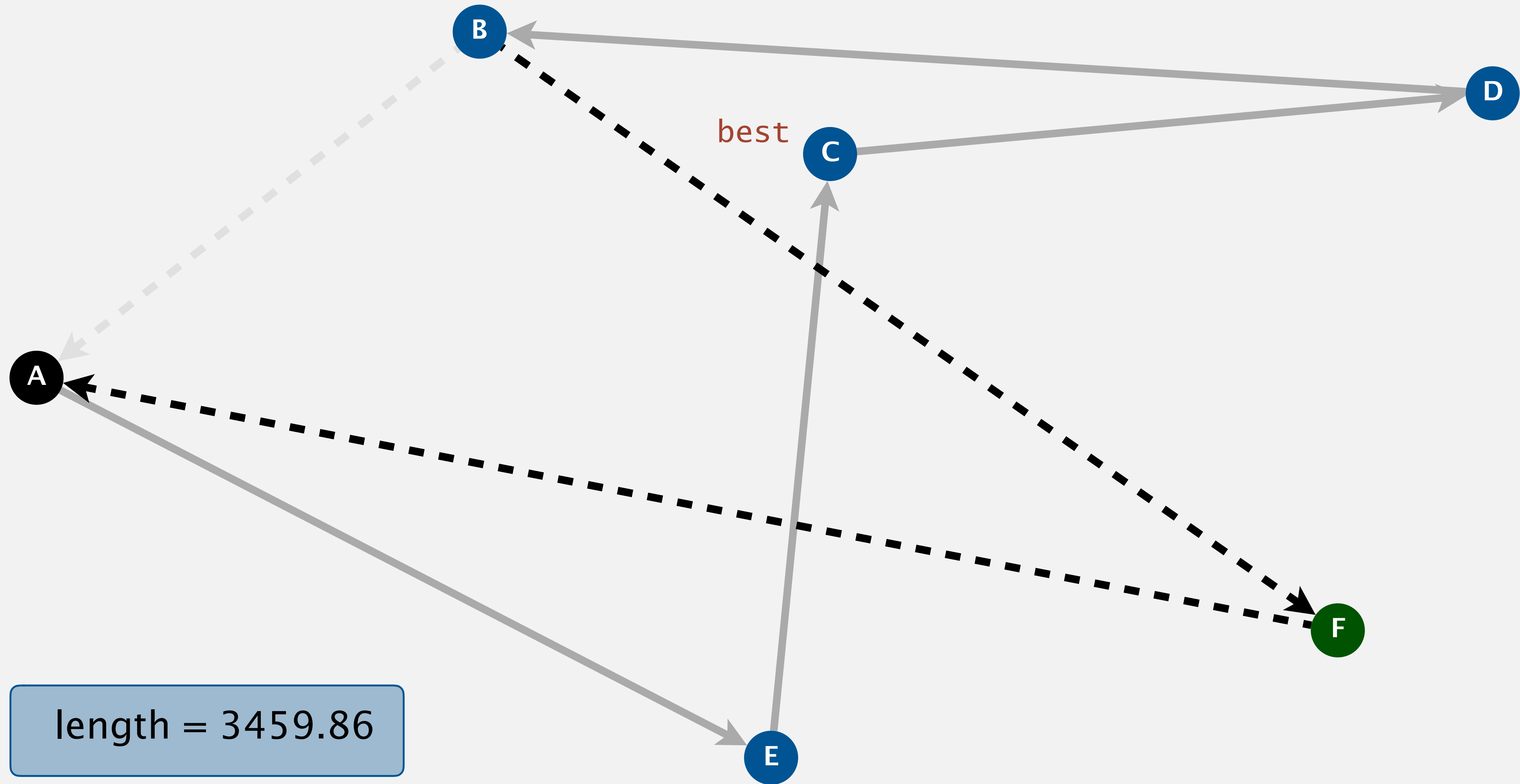
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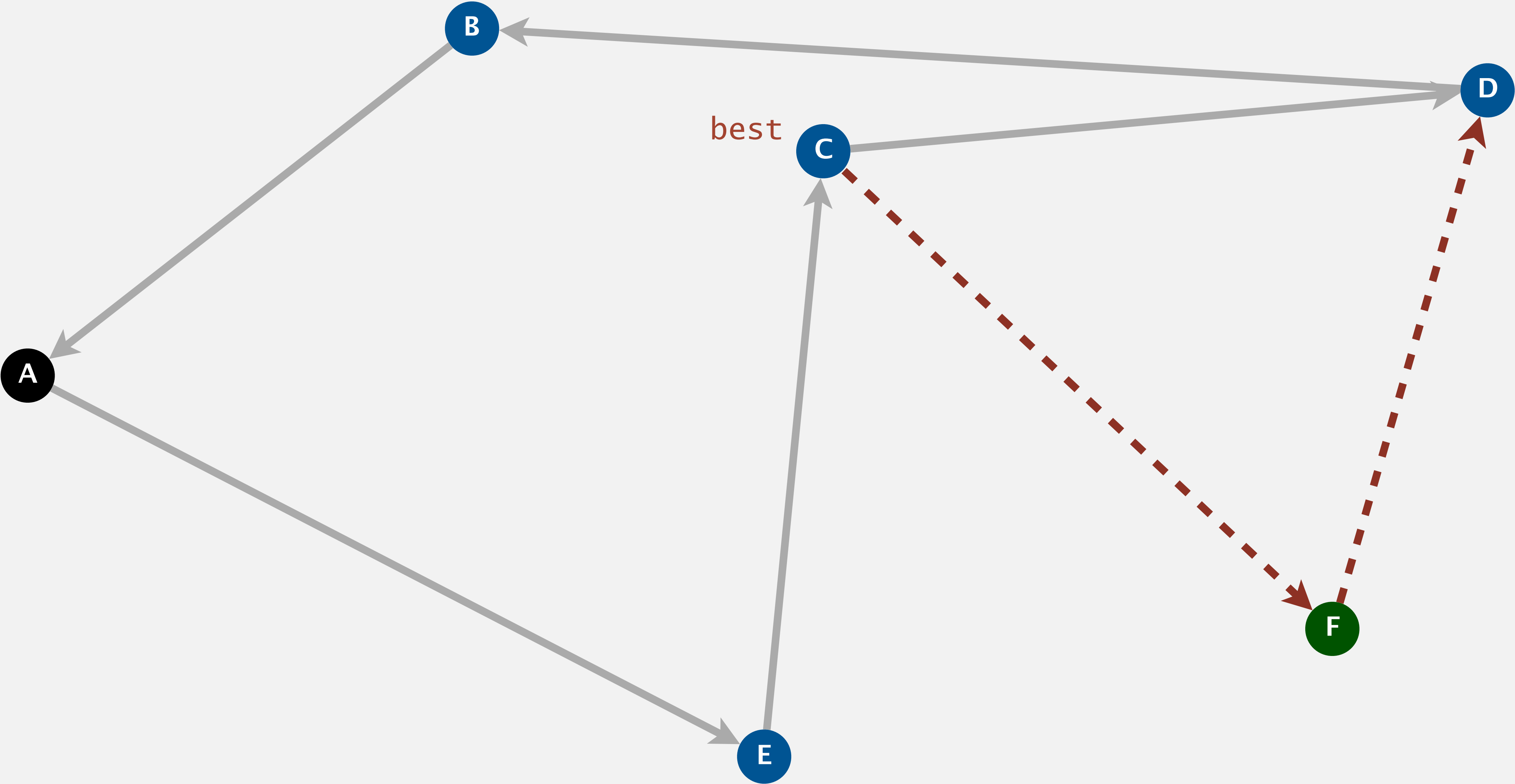
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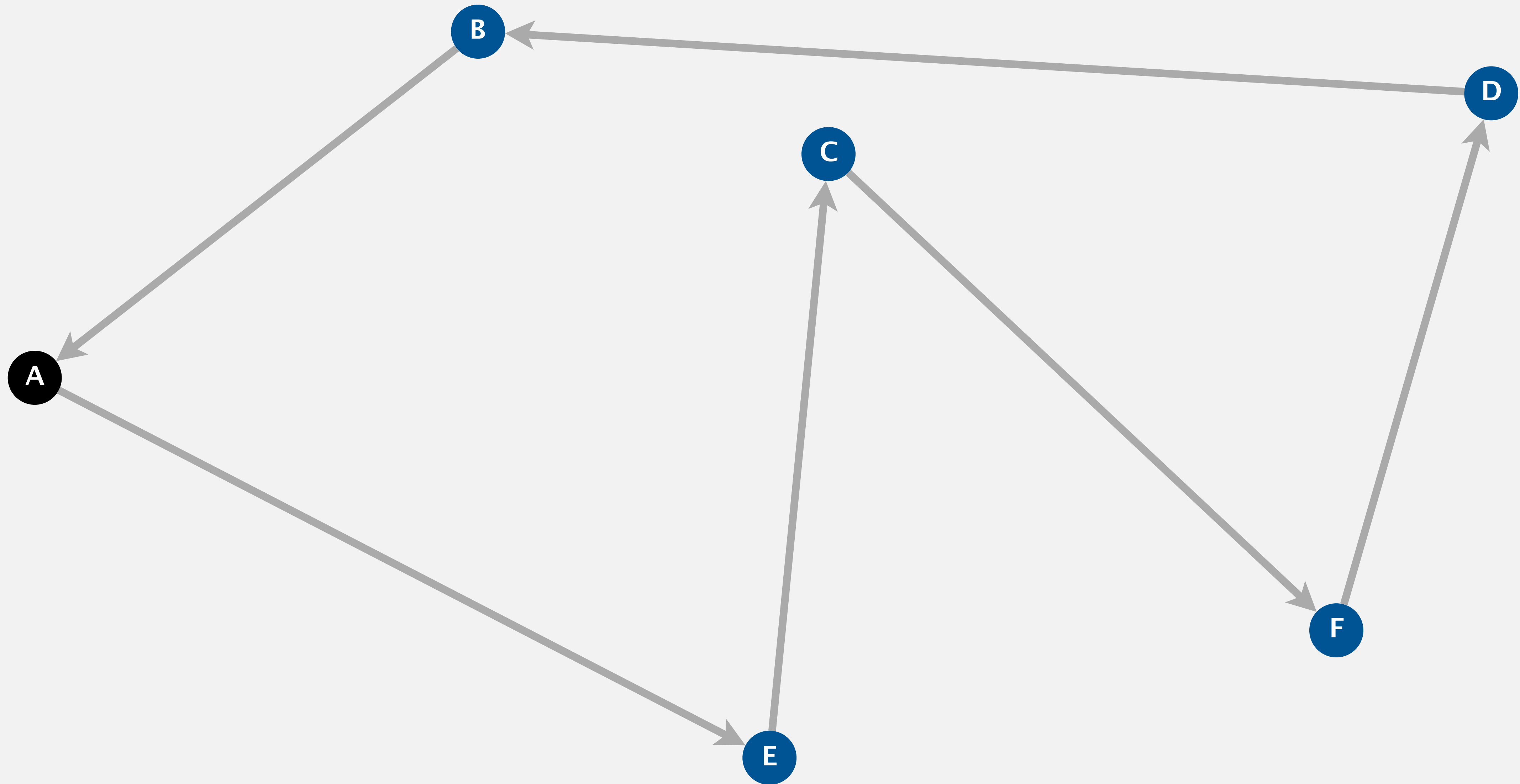
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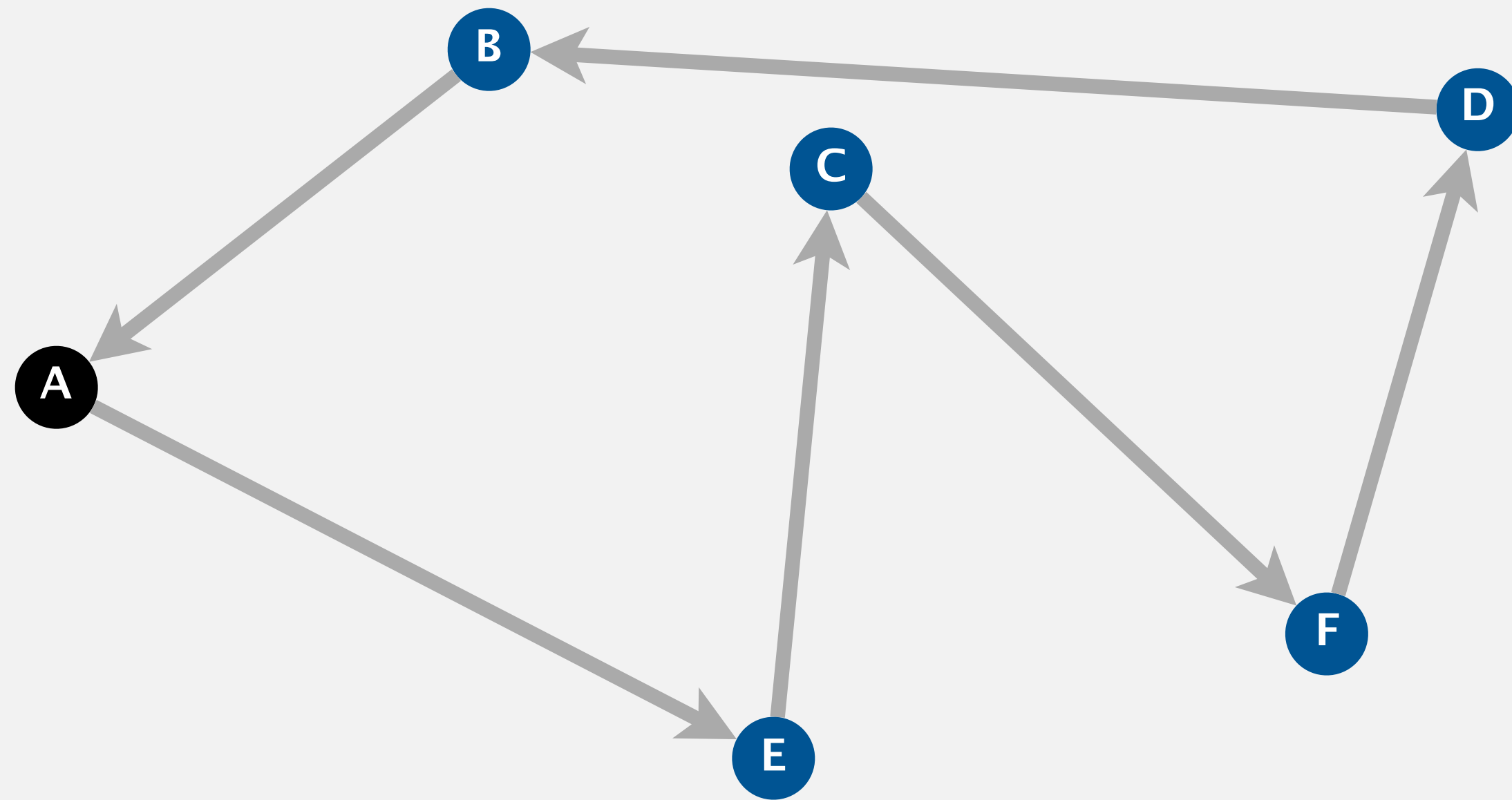
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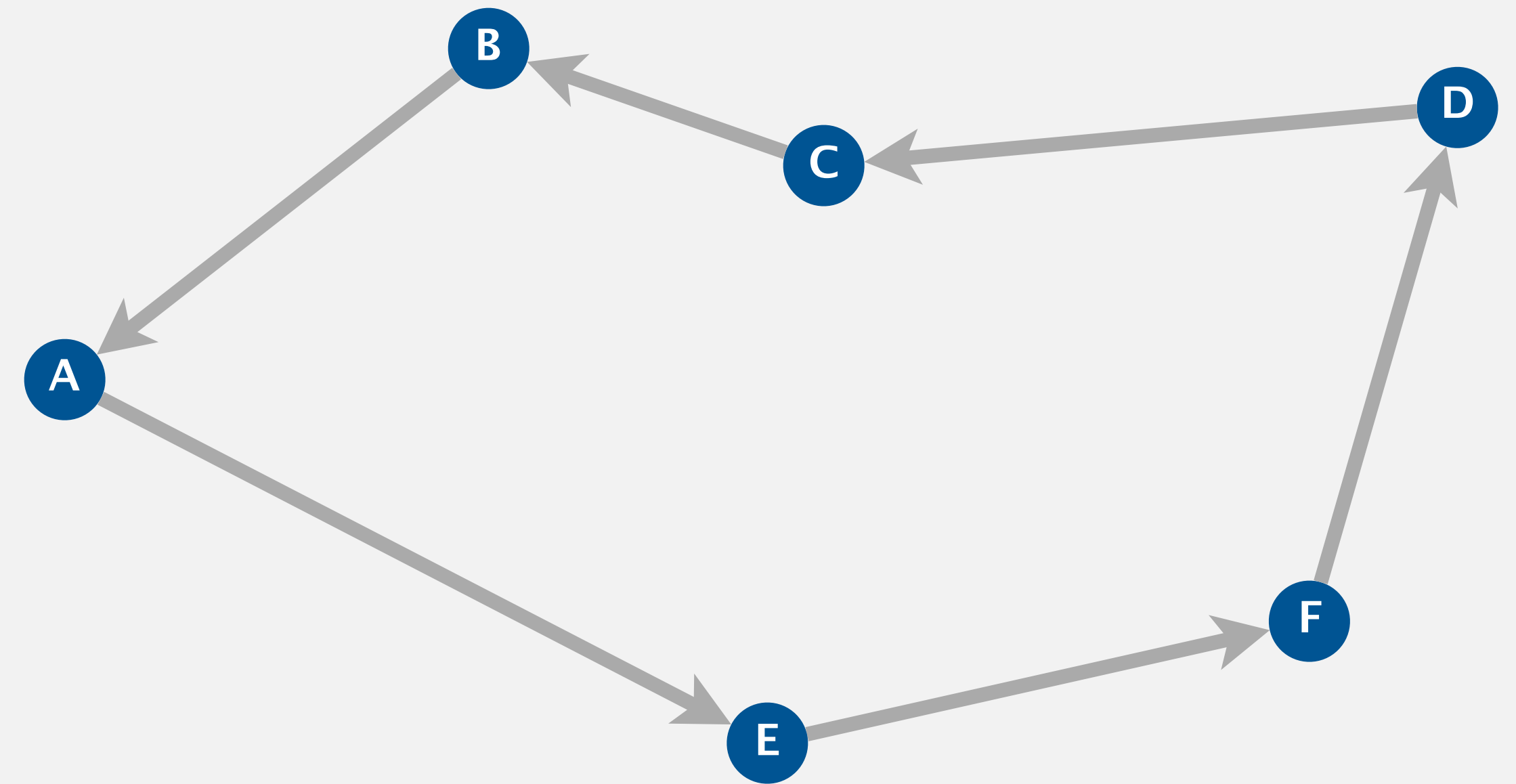
Smallest increase heuristic

Q. Does smallest increase heuristic guarantee to produce shortest tour?

A. No.



smallest increase tour length = 2691.31



optimal tour length = 2254.11

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Point data type

You will **not** write or submit this file.

```
public class Point
```

```
    public Point(double x, double y)    creates the point (x, y)
```

```
    public double distanceTo(Point that)    Euclidean distance between the two points
```

```
    public int drawTo(Point that)    draws the line segment between the two points
```

```
    public String toString()    string representation of this point
```

Tour data type

```
public class Tour
```

```
    public Tour()
```

creates an empty tour

```
    public Tour(Point a, Point b, ... )
```

creates a 4-point tour $a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow a$

```
    public int size()
```

number of points in this tour

```
    public double length()
```

length of this tour

```
    public void draw()
```

draws this tour to standard drawing

```
    public String toString()
```

string representation of this tour

```
    public void insertNearest(Point p)
```

inserts the point p into tour using nearest insertion heuristic

```
    public void insertSmallest(Point p)
```

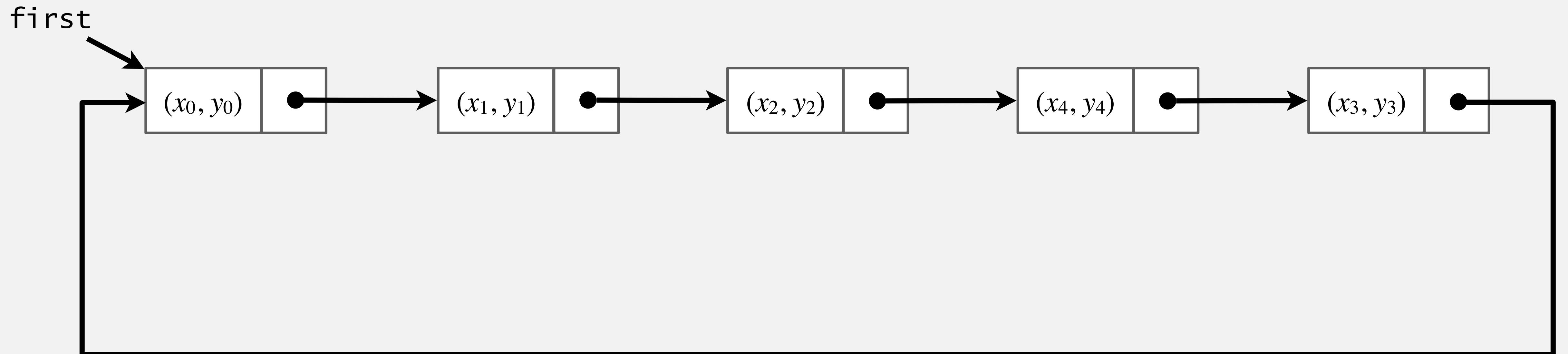
inserts the point p into the tour using the smallest increase heuristic

Circularly linked lists

Node data type.

```
private class Node {  
    private Point p;  
    private Node next;  
}
```

Visual representation.



Traversing a circularly linked list

Which of the following prints every node in a circularly linked list?

A.

```
Node x = first;
while (x != first) {
    StdOut.println(x.p);
    first = first.next;
}
```

C.

```
for (Node x = first; x != null; x = x.next) {
    StdOut.println(x.p);
}
```

B.

```
Node x = first;
while (x.next != first) {
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    x = x.next;
}
```

D.

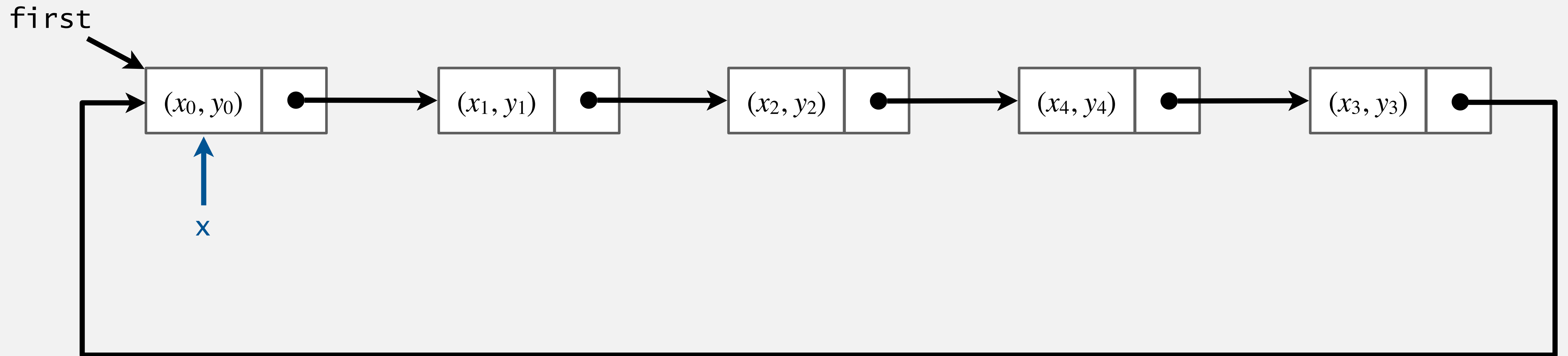
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Traversing a circularly linked list

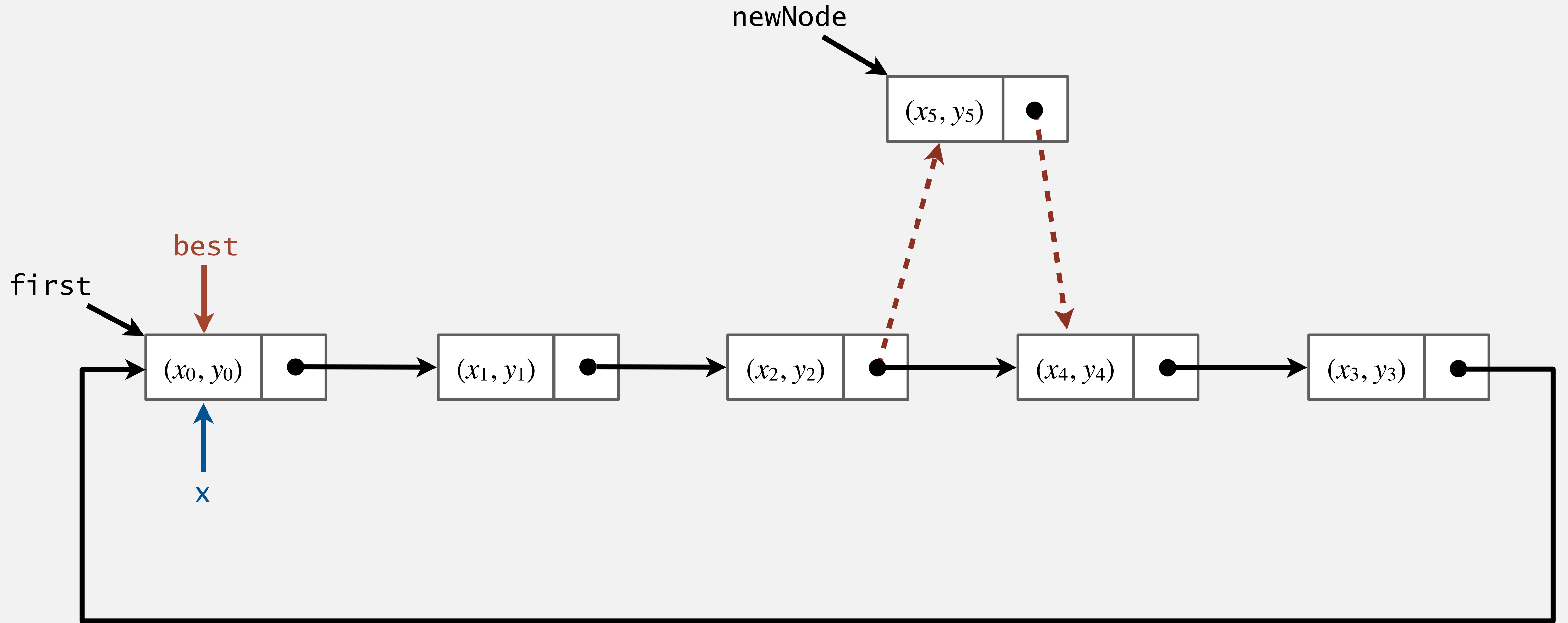
```
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do {  
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    x = x.next;  
} while (x != first);
```

standard output

```
(x0, y0)  
(x1, y1)  
(x2, y2)  
(x4, y4)  
(x3, y3)
```



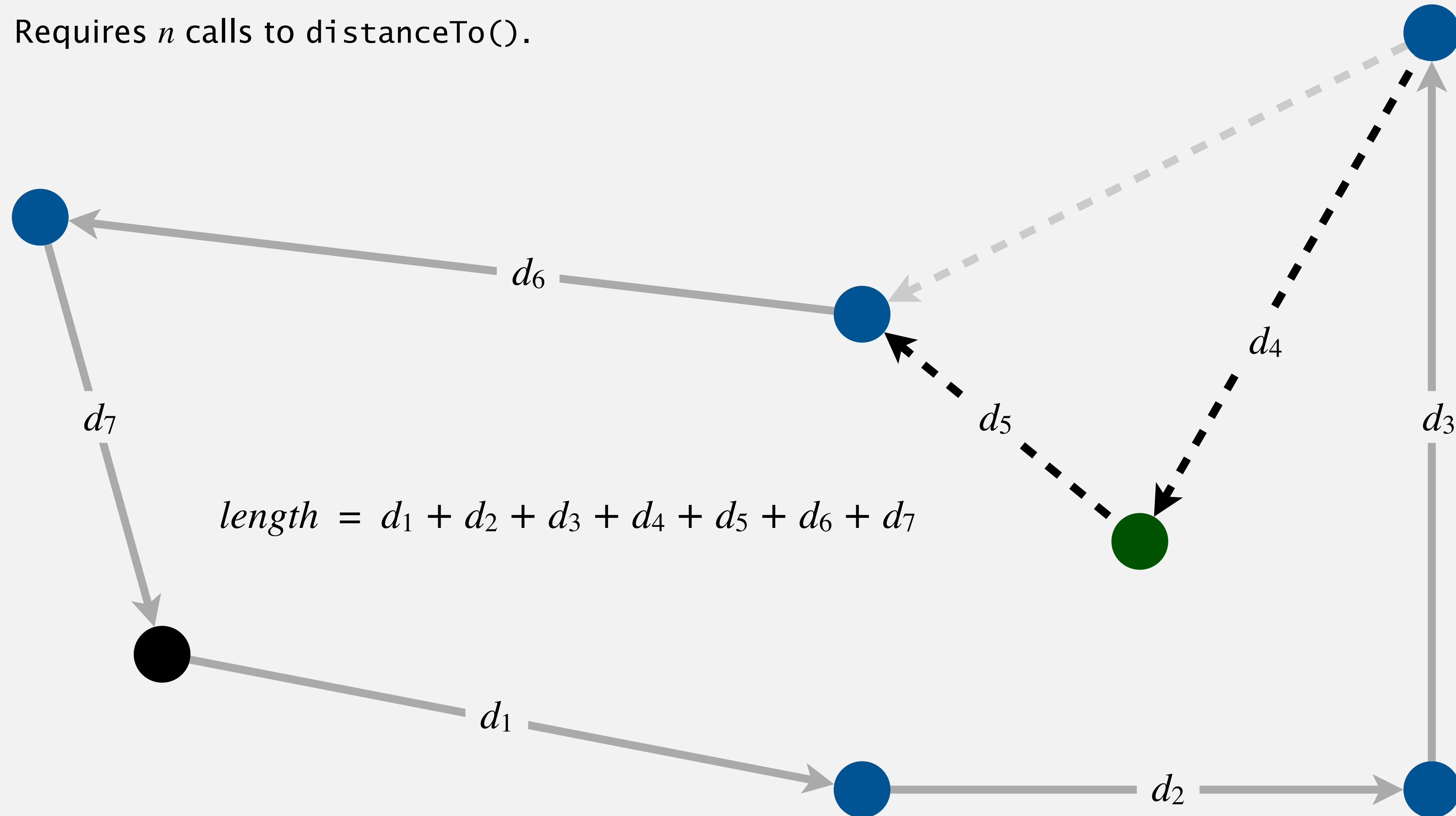
Inserting a node into a circularly linked list



Smallest increase heuristic: performance trick

Bottleneck. Computing the tour length.

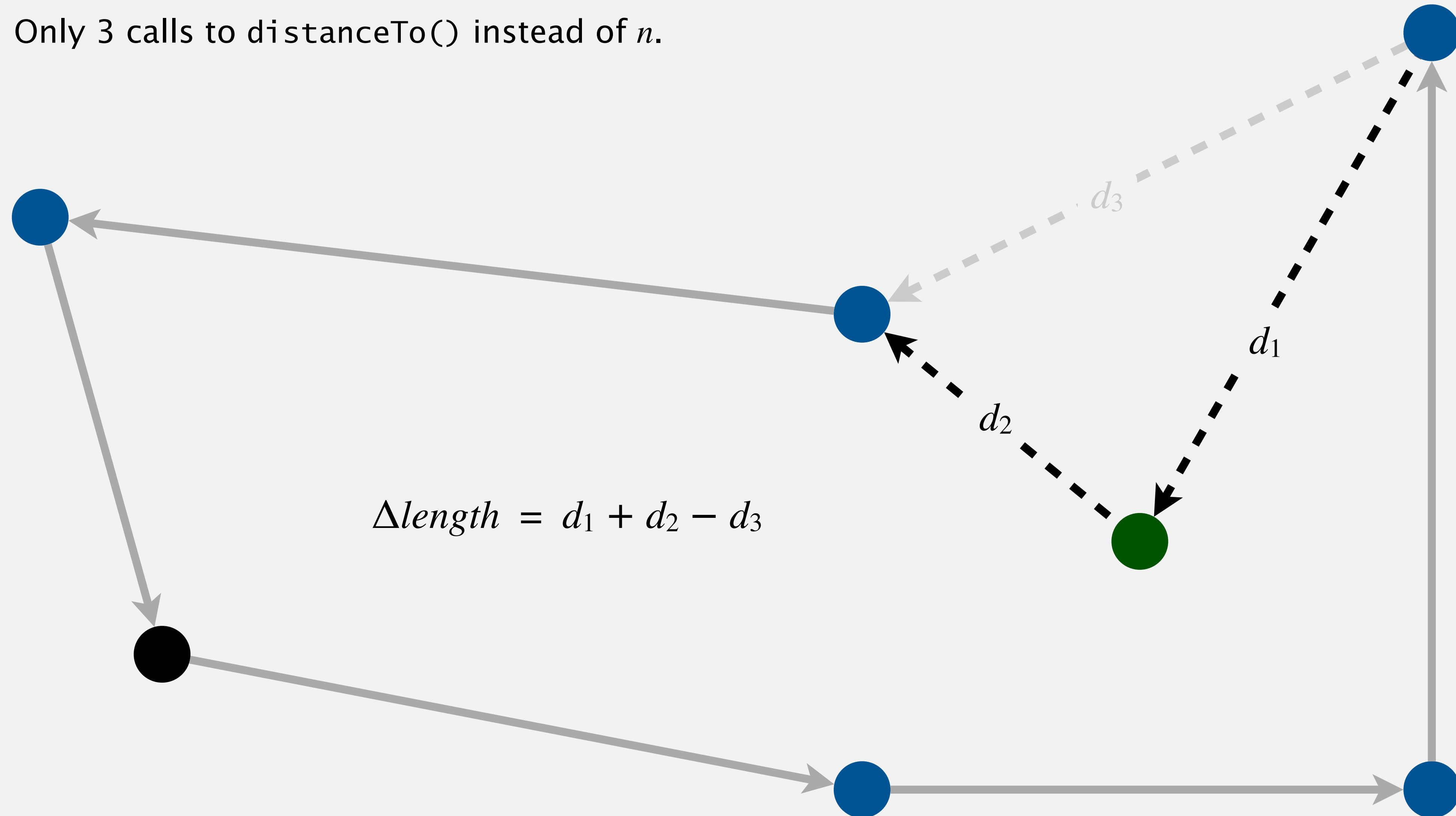
Impact. Requires n calls to `distanceTo()`.



Smallest increase heuristic: performance trick

Key optimization. Compute **change** in tour length; not tour length.

Impact. Only 3 calls to `distanceTo()` instead of n .



Tips and tricks

Linked structures.

- Do not use a null-terminated linked list.
- You must use a **circularly linked list**.
- Use `new Node()` only to create new nodes (not new references to existing nodes).

Traversing the circularly linked list.

- Can use a `for` or `while` loop.
- Simpler with a `do-while` loop. ← see `CircularQuote` in precept

Work incrementally. Constructors, `size()`, `length()`, `toString()`, ...

Dealing with ties. If tie, insert after first such point.

Corner cases. (0- and 1-point tours).

String representation. Use `StringBuilder` in `toString()` for repeated string concatenation.



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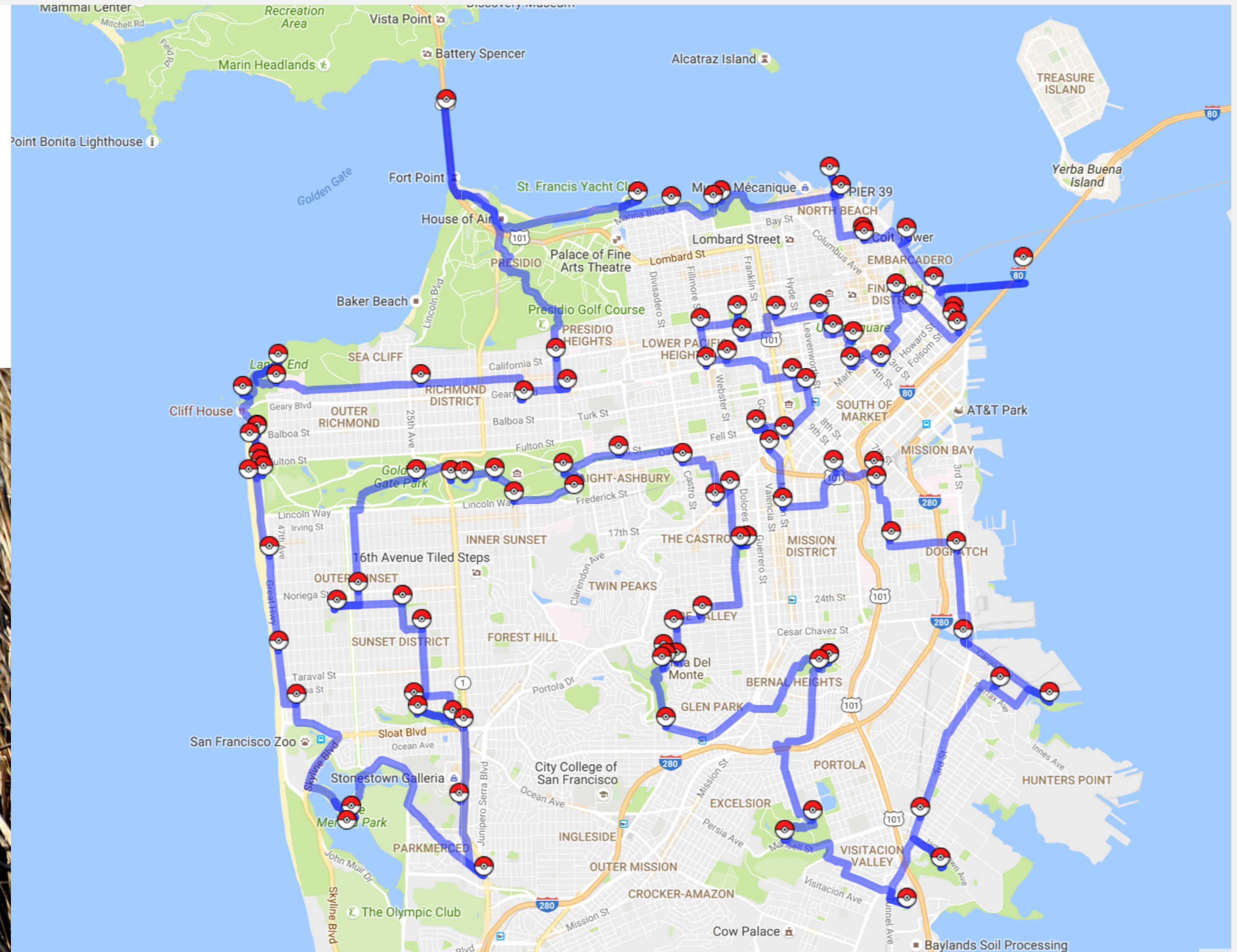
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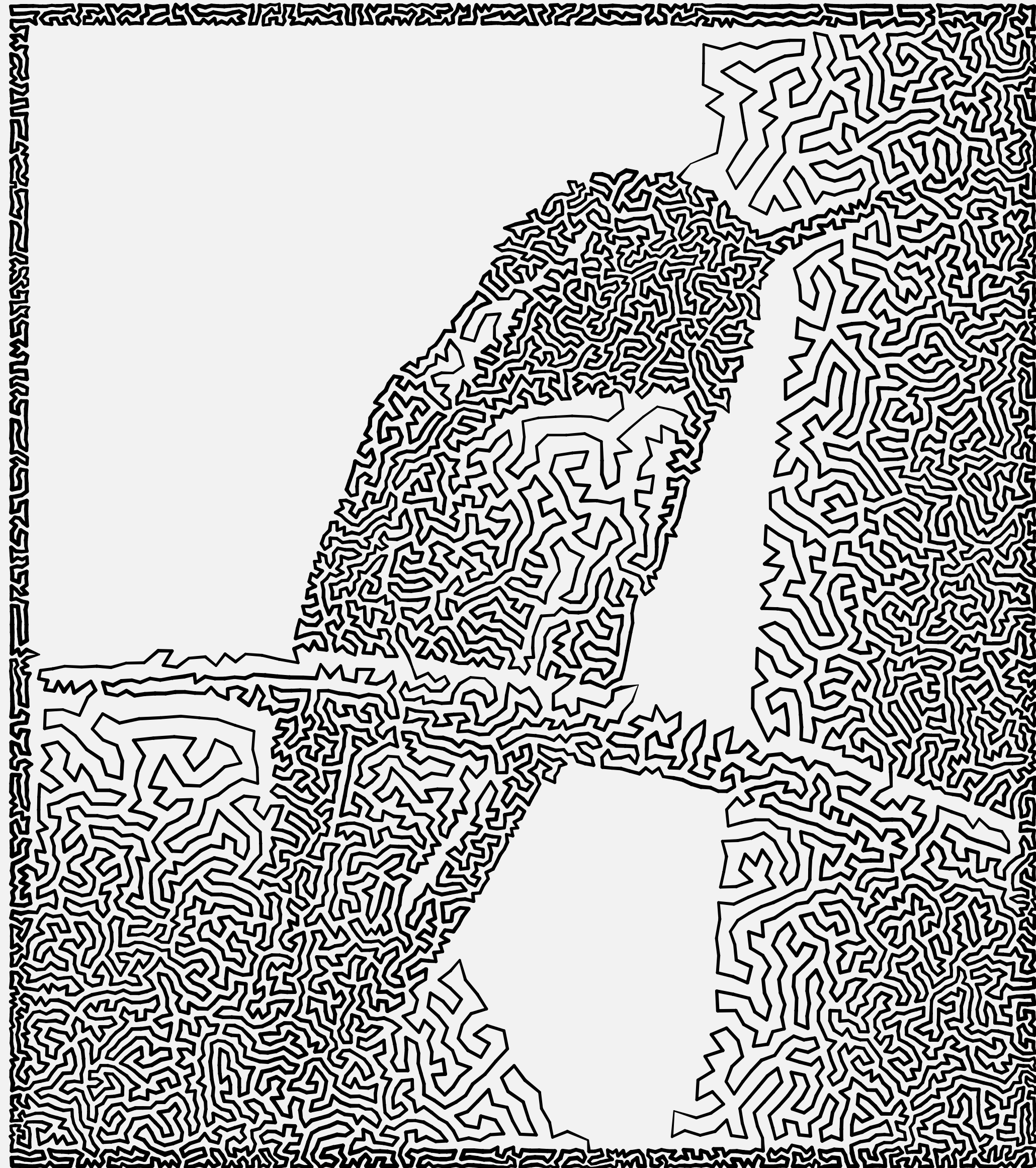
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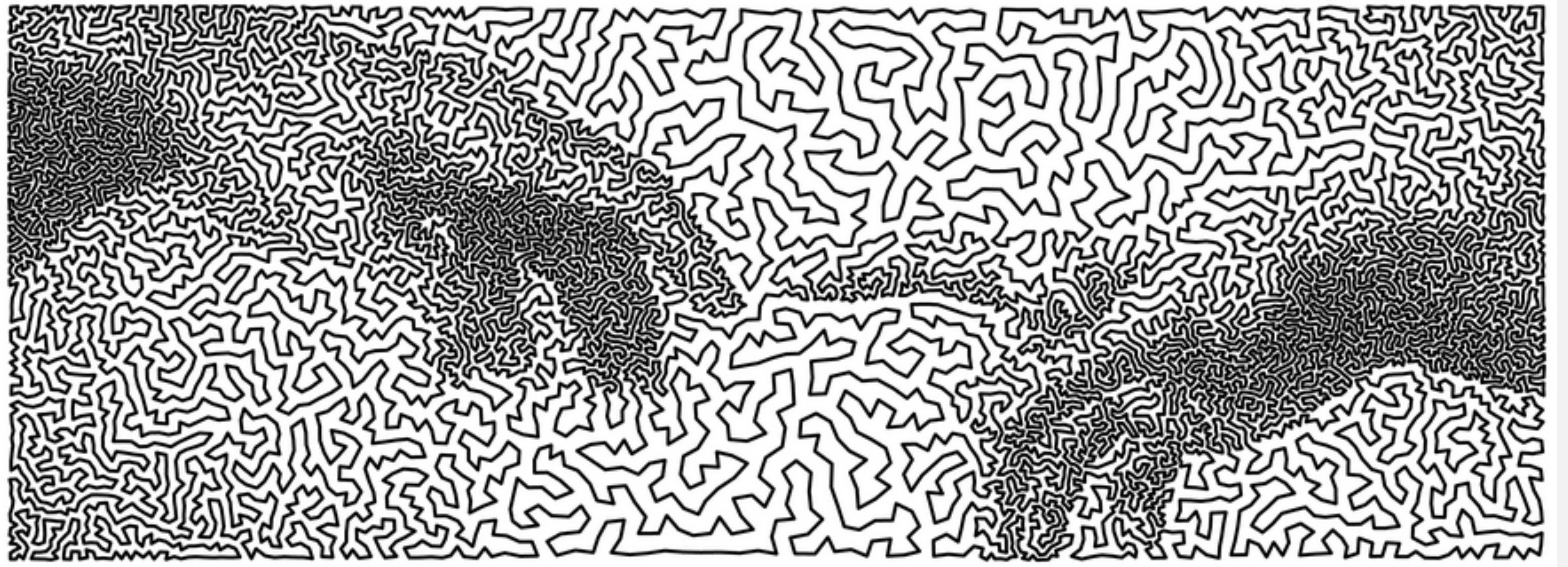
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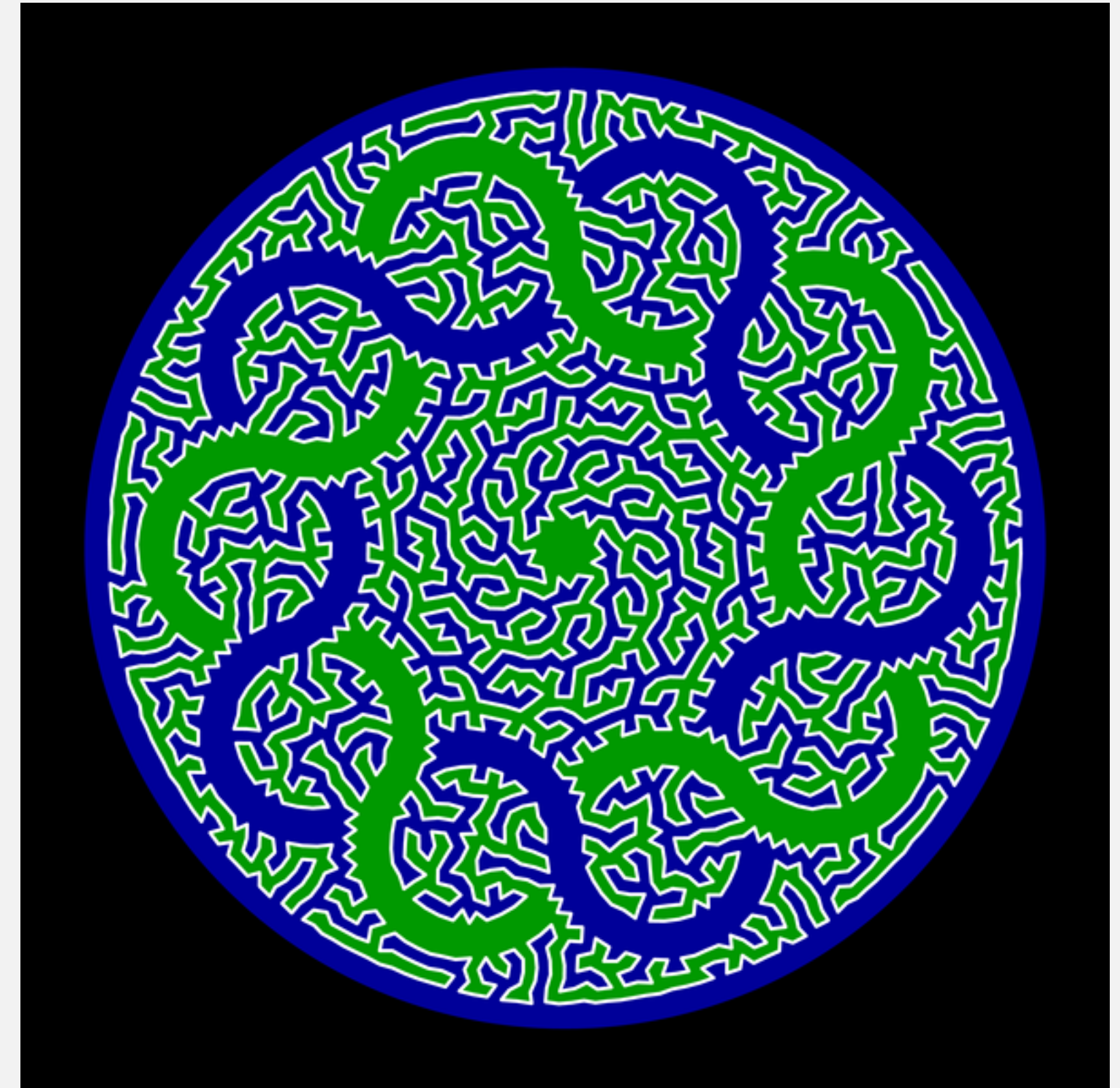
Map: Where to catch 123 Pokémon in San Francisco

BY ADAM BRINKLOW | OCT 4, 2016, 6:33AM PDT









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