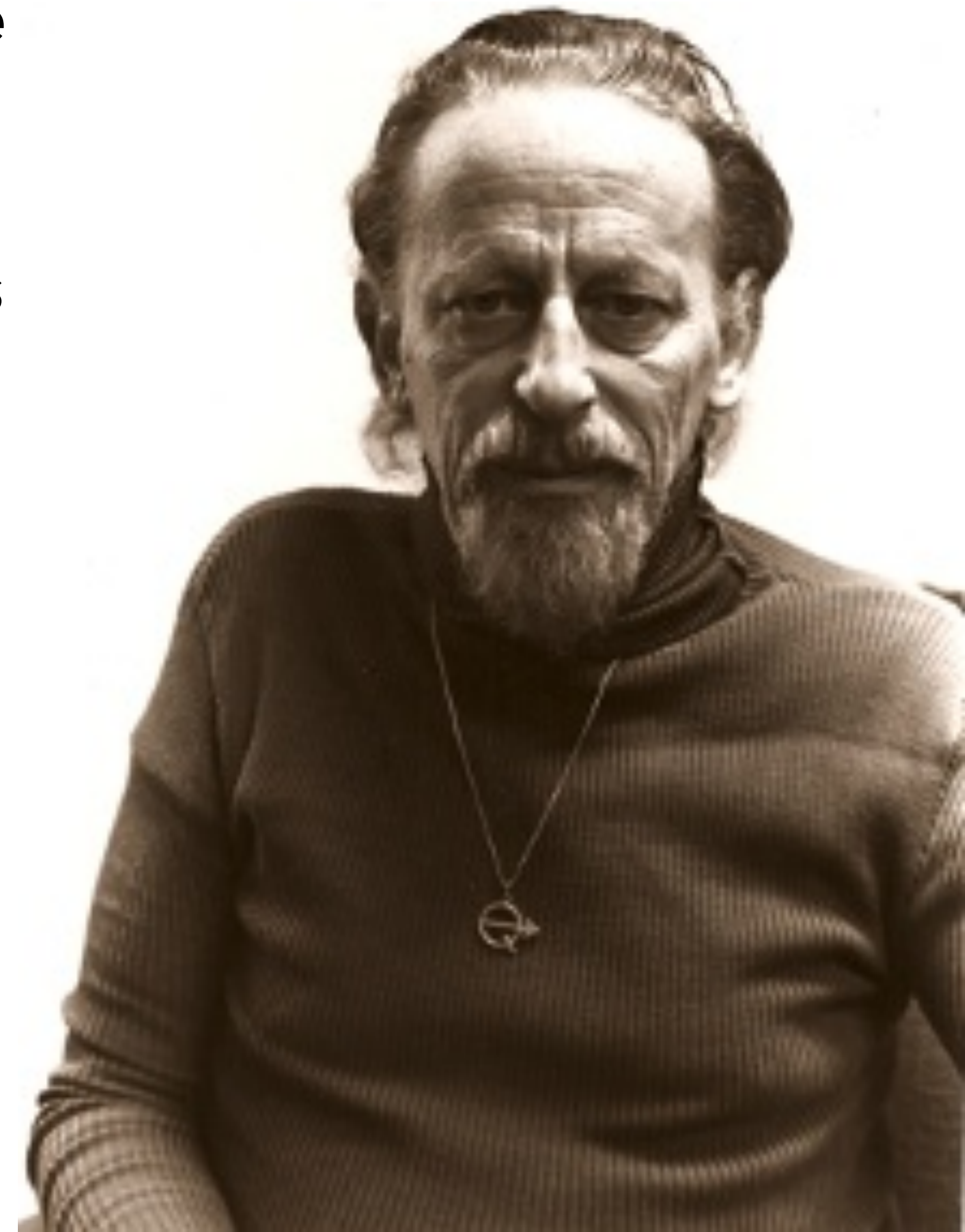


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– Venture Magazine, March 1958



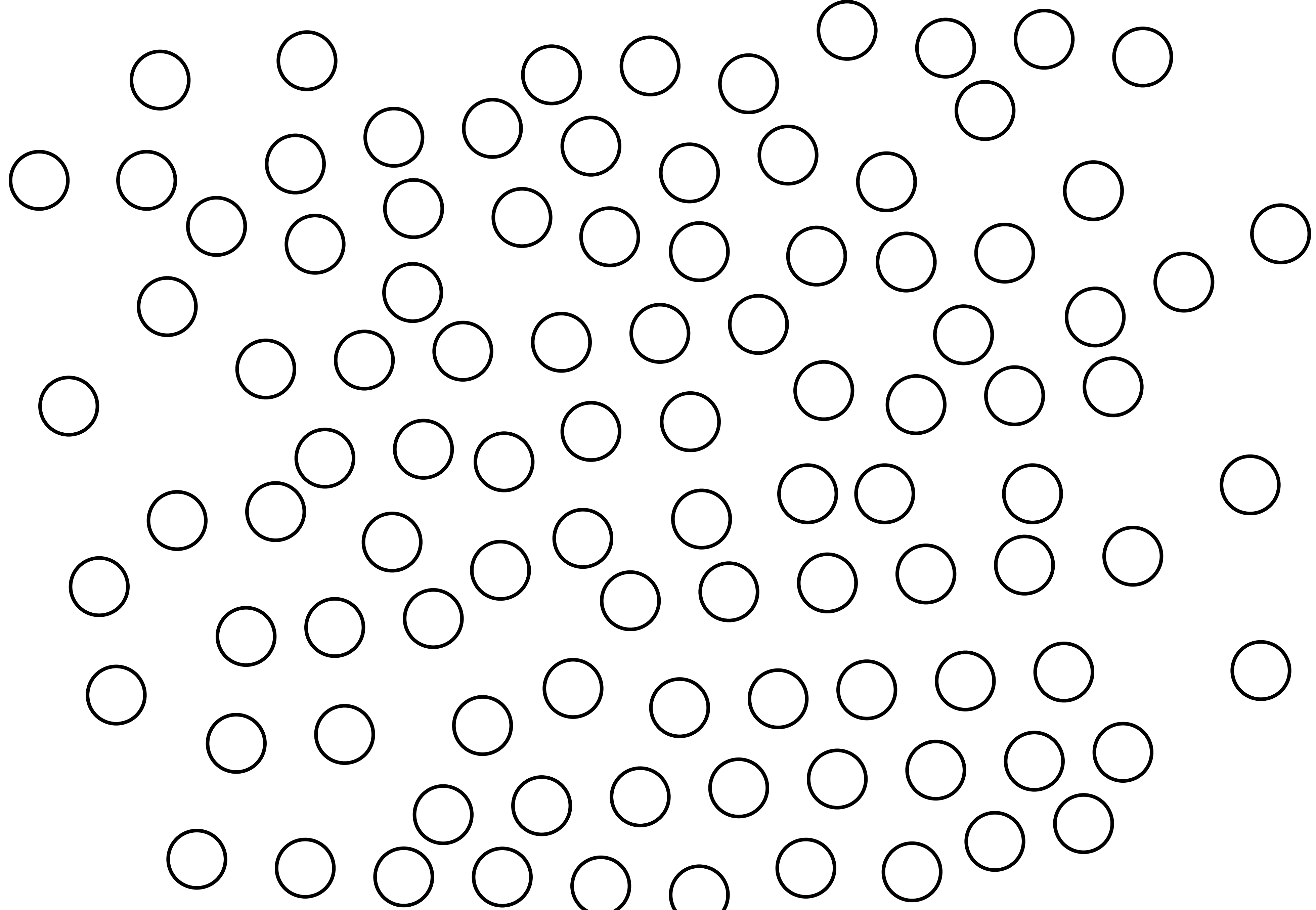
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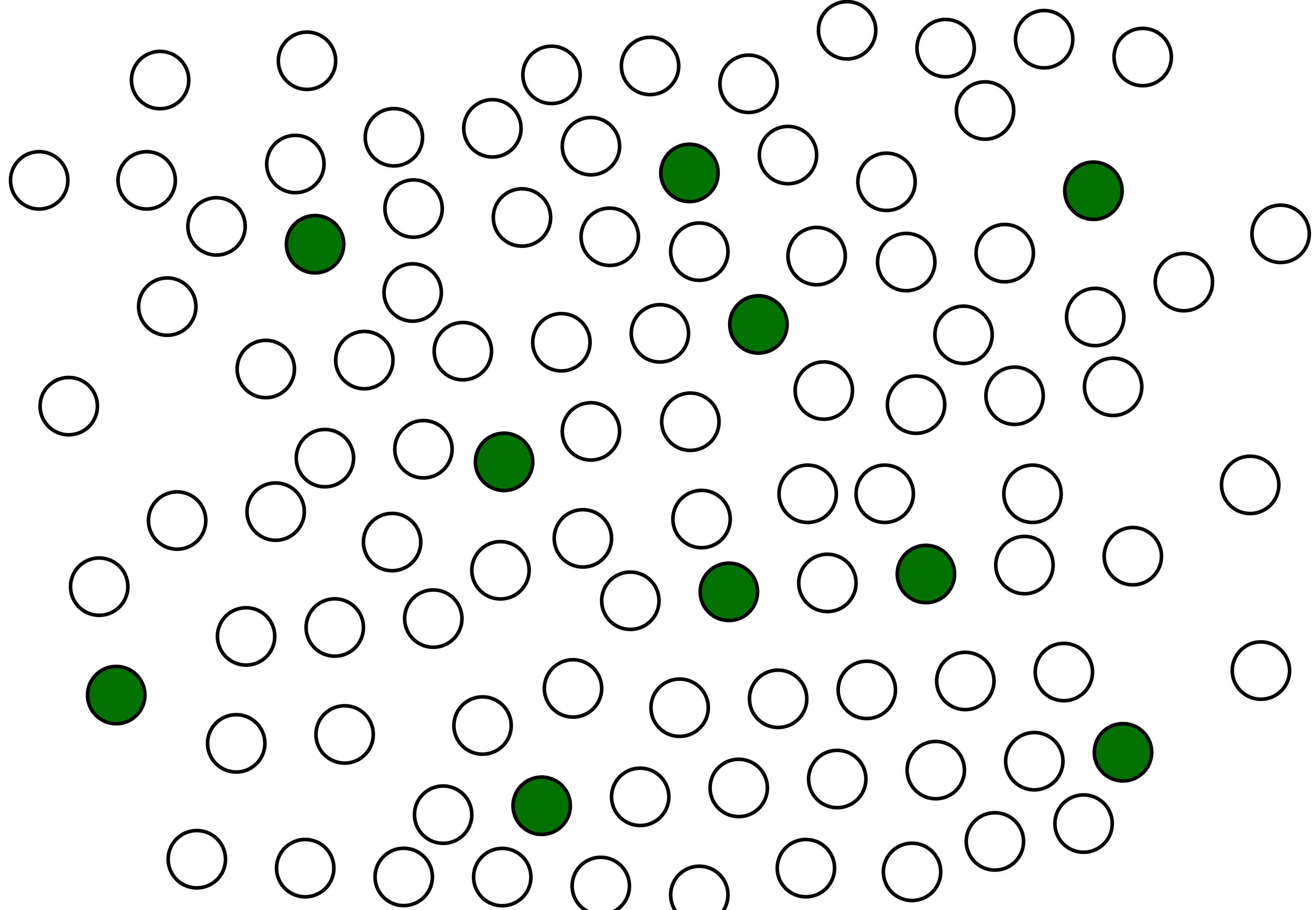
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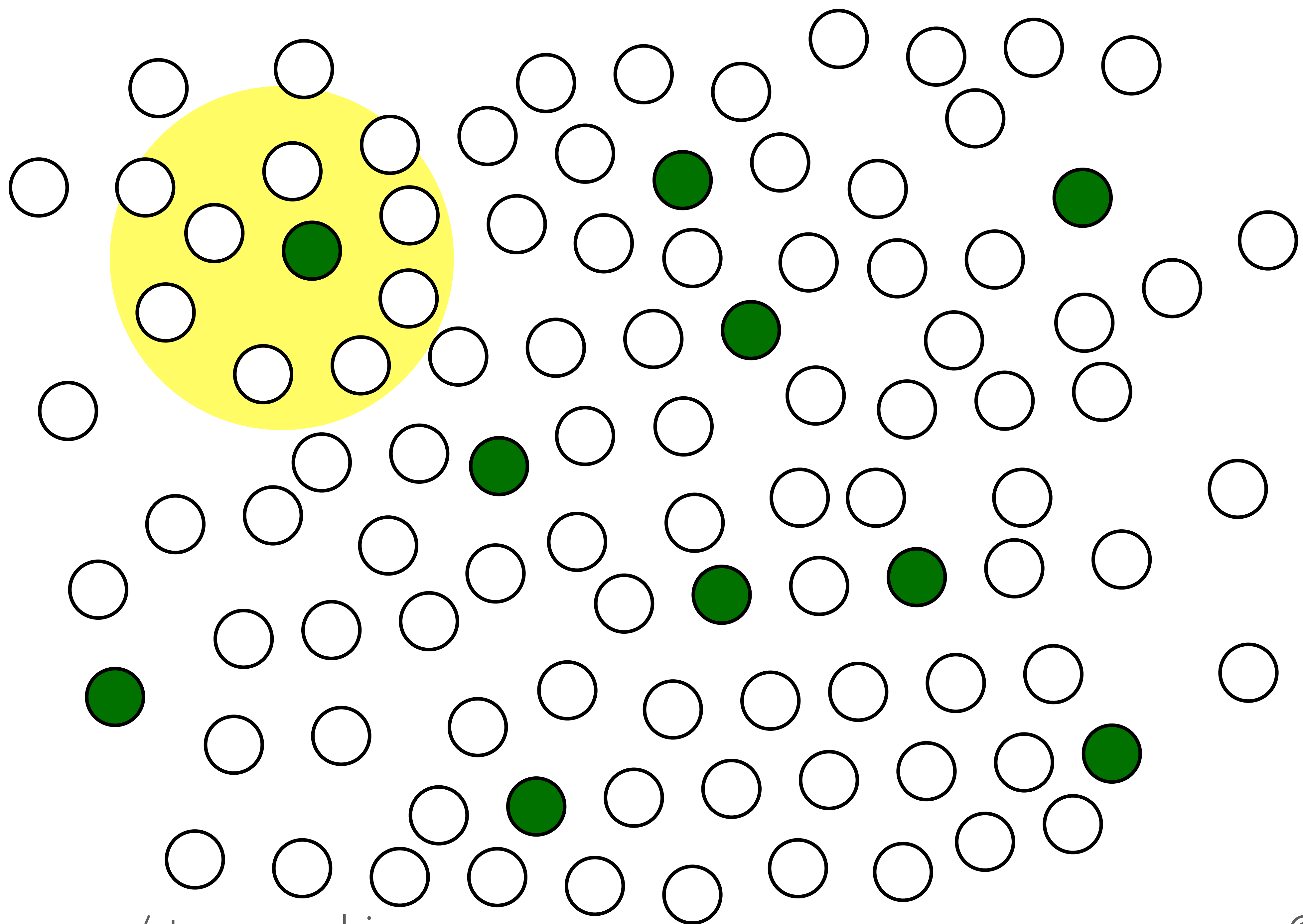
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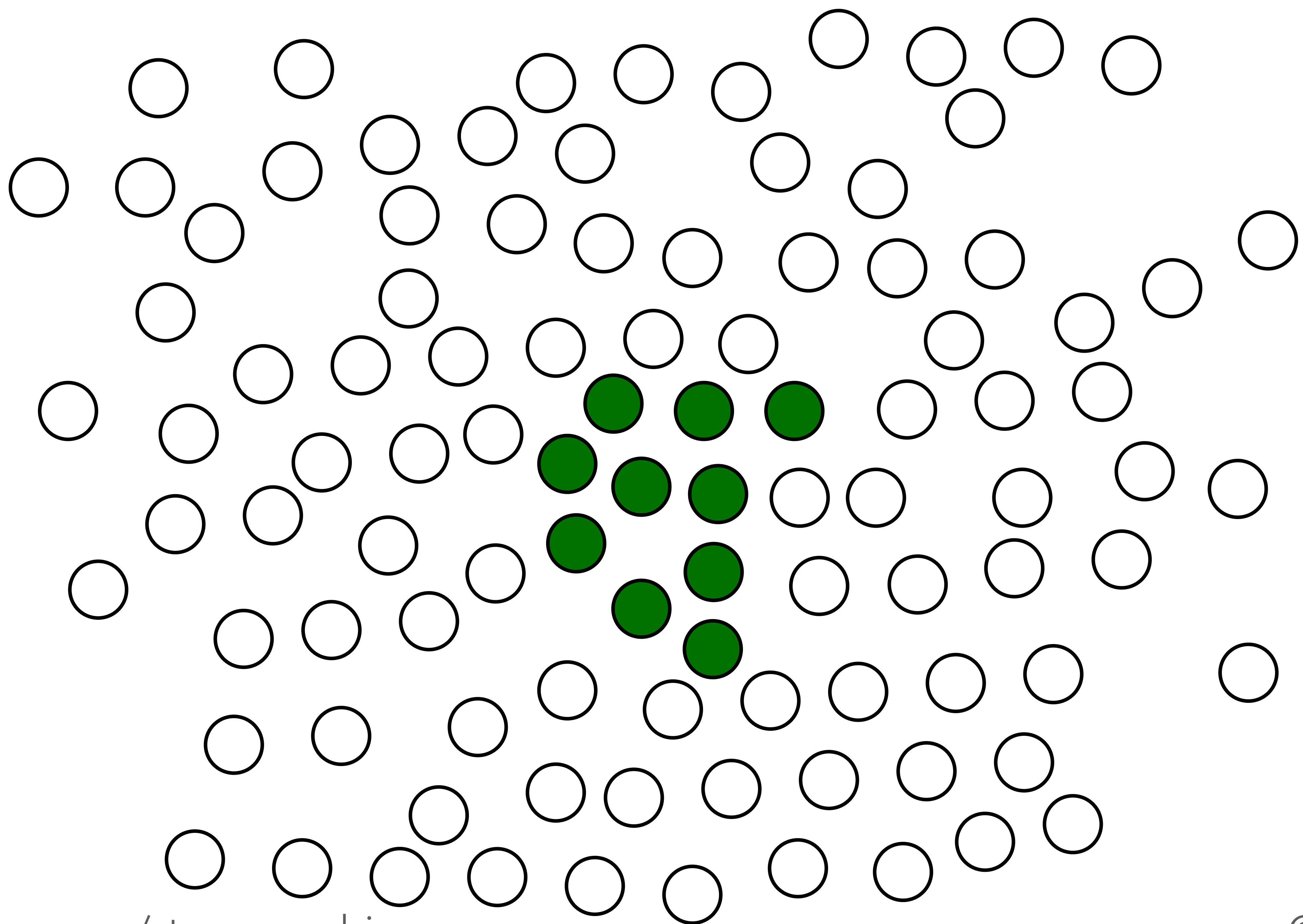
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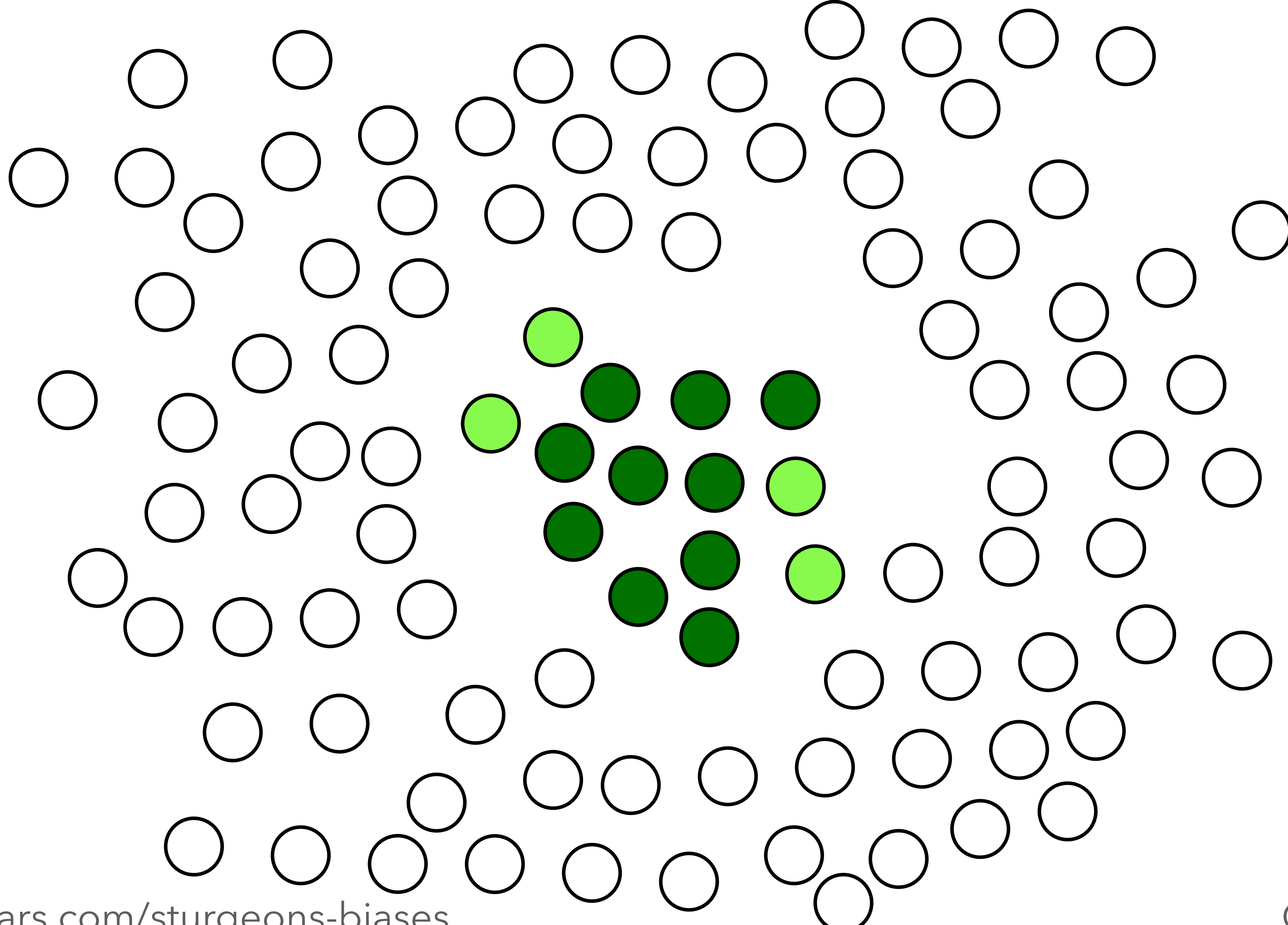
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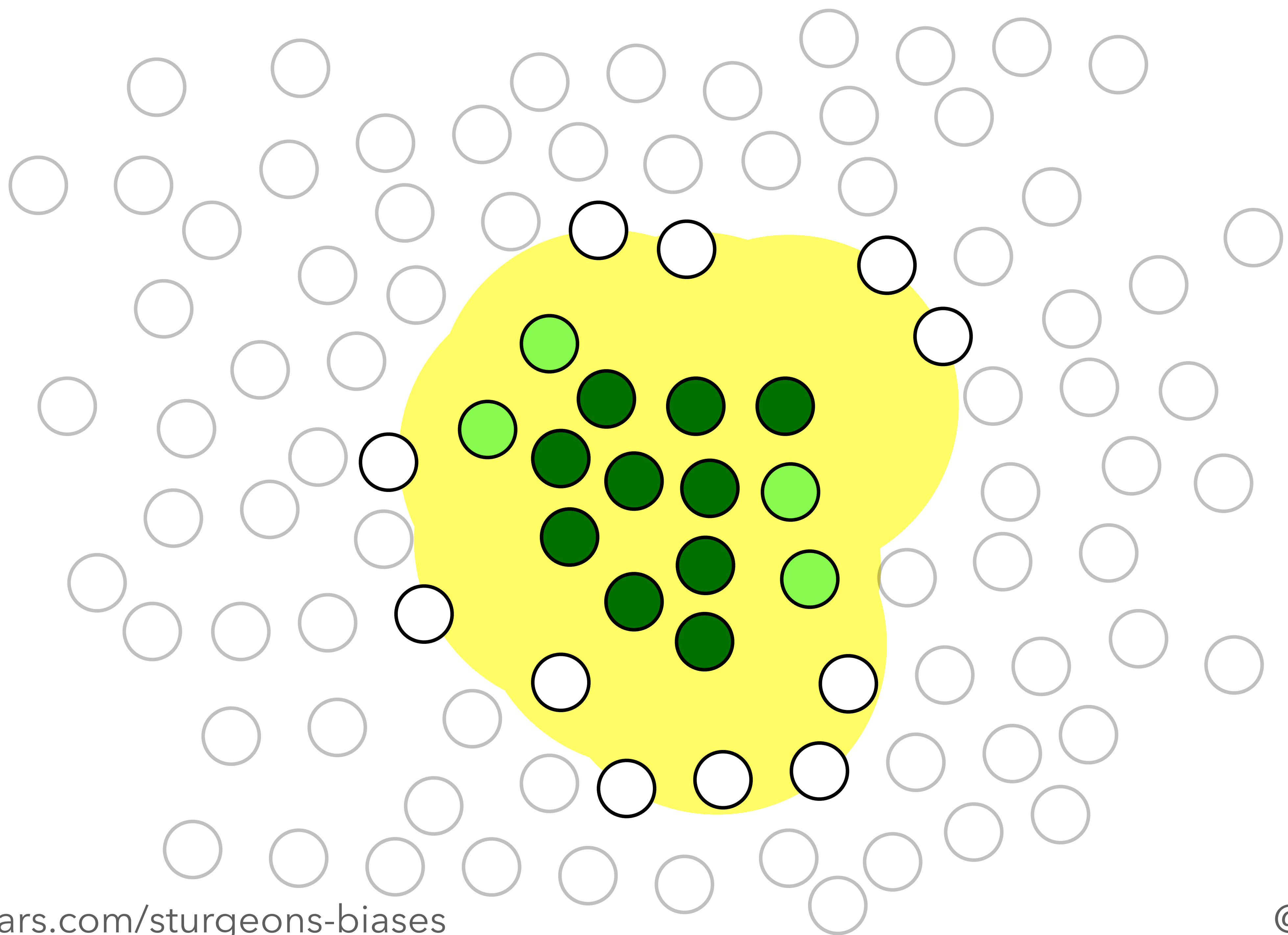


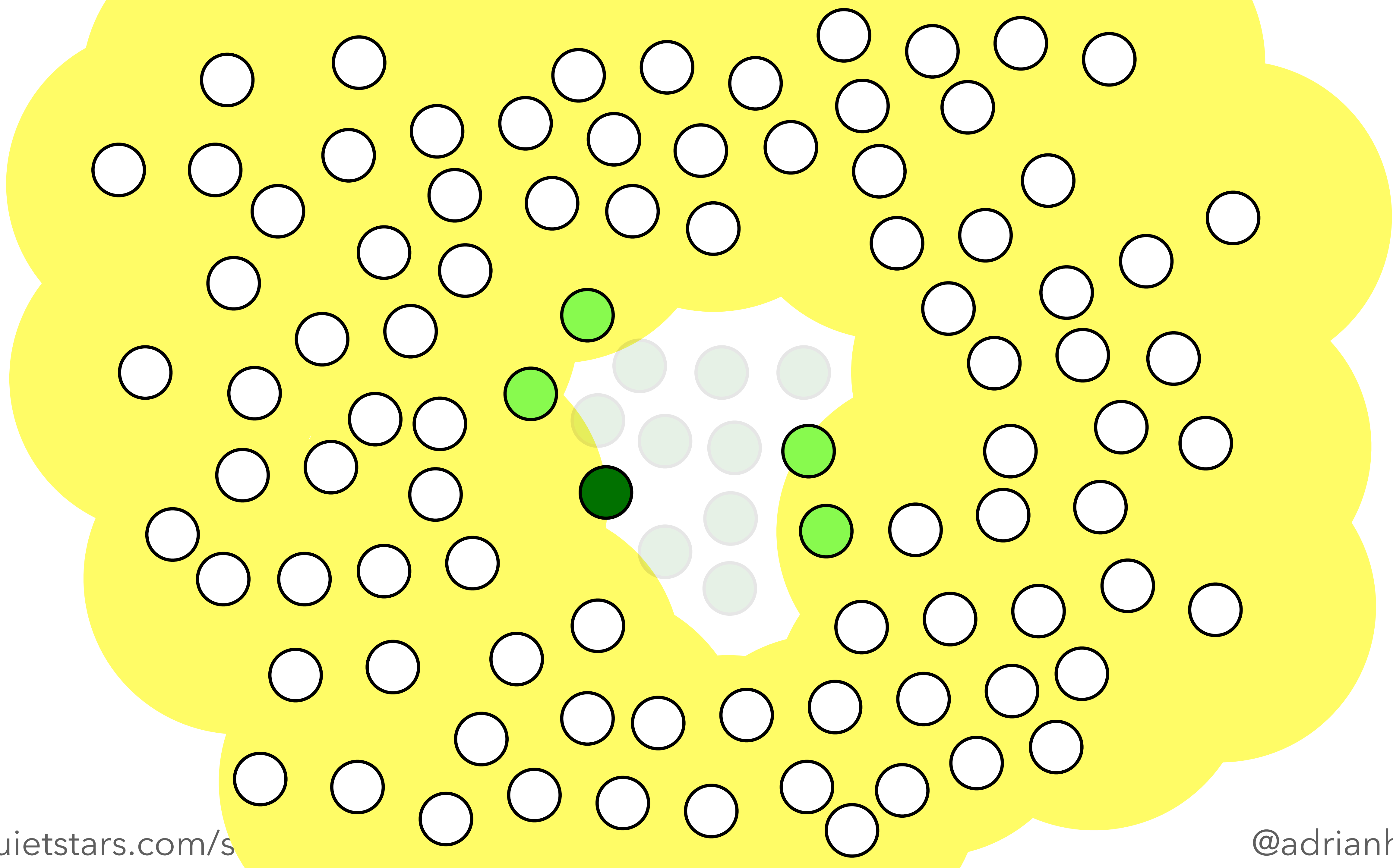






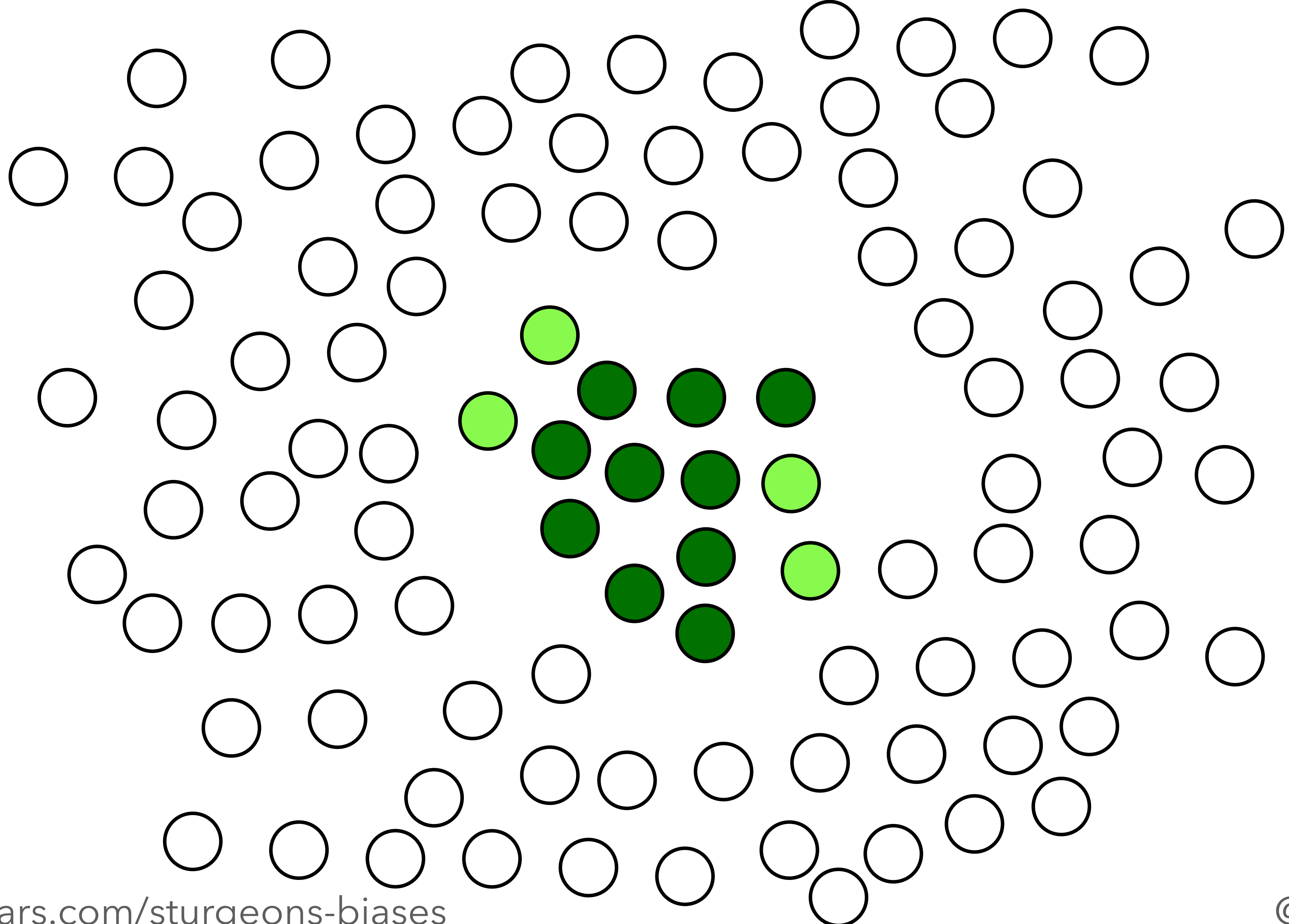


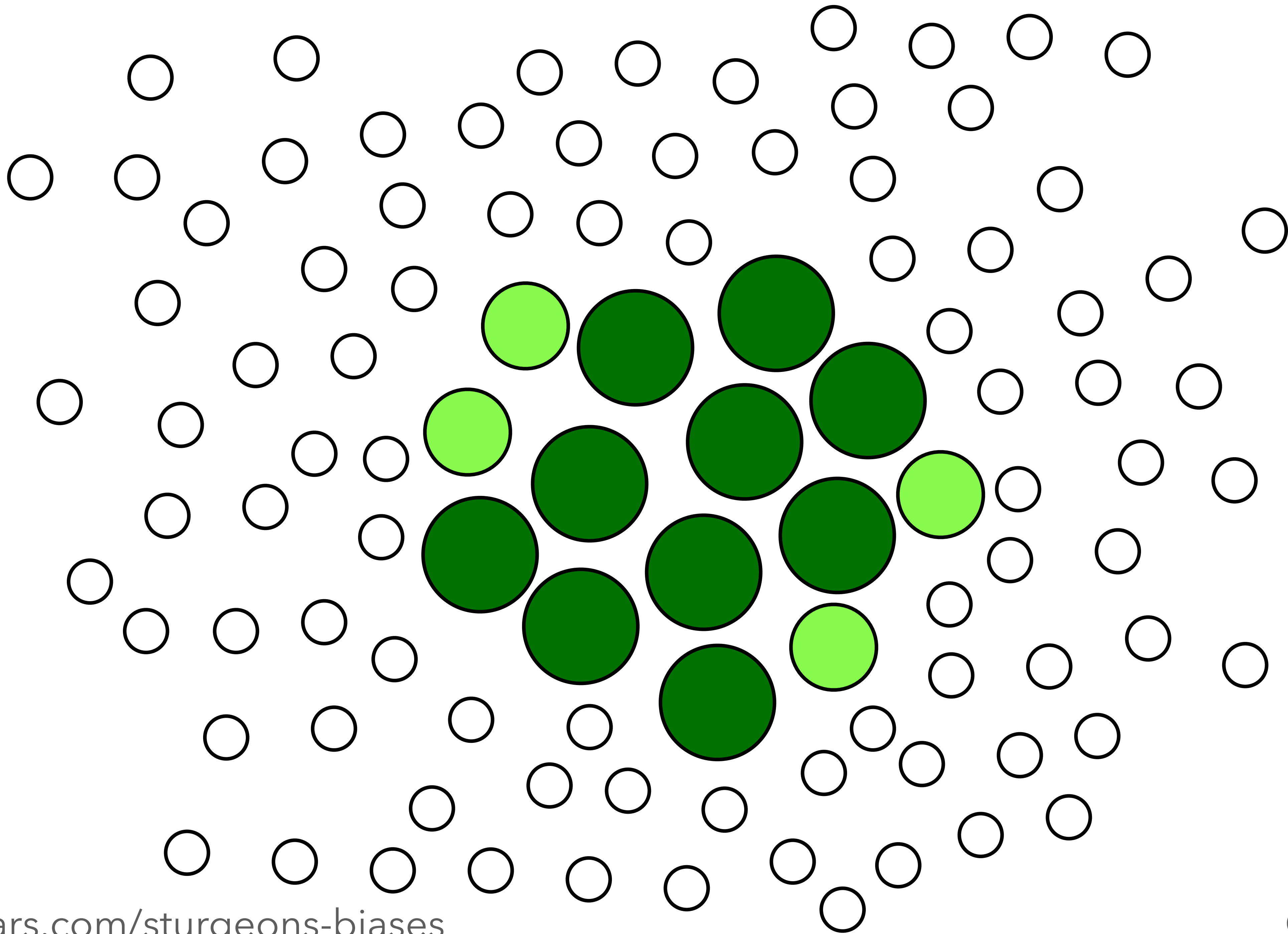




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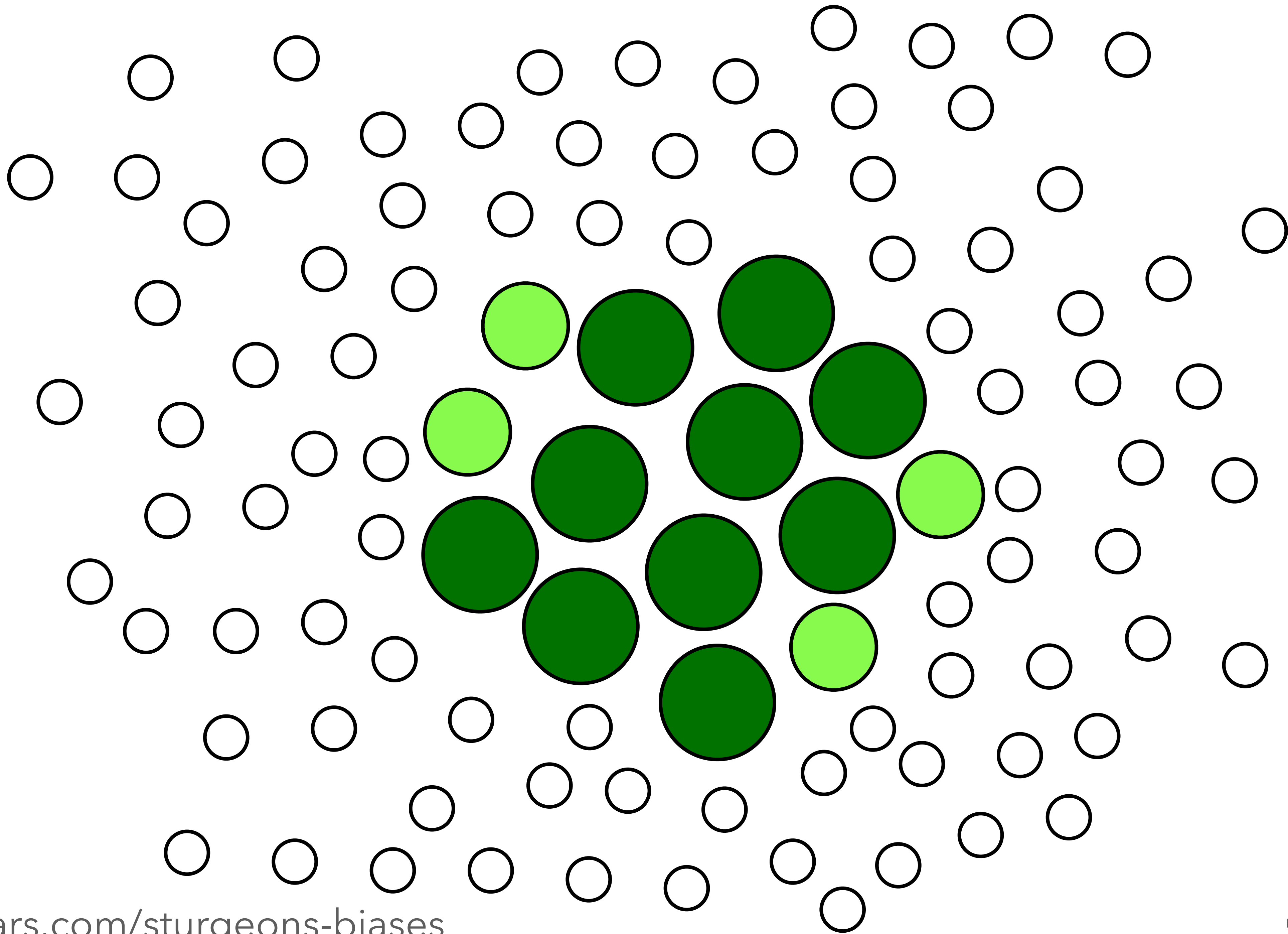
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STURGEON'S BIASES ARE **A SIMPLIFICATION**

- **PEOPLE DON'T NEATLY FALL INTO TWO CATEGORIES**
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- **ABILITY IS NOT FIXED**
- **ABILITY IS OFTEN CONSTRAINED BY EXTERNAL FACTORS**
- **POPULAR COMMUNITIES ATTRACT NEWBIES & EXPLOITERS**
- **COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE ARE FUZZY & FRACTAL**



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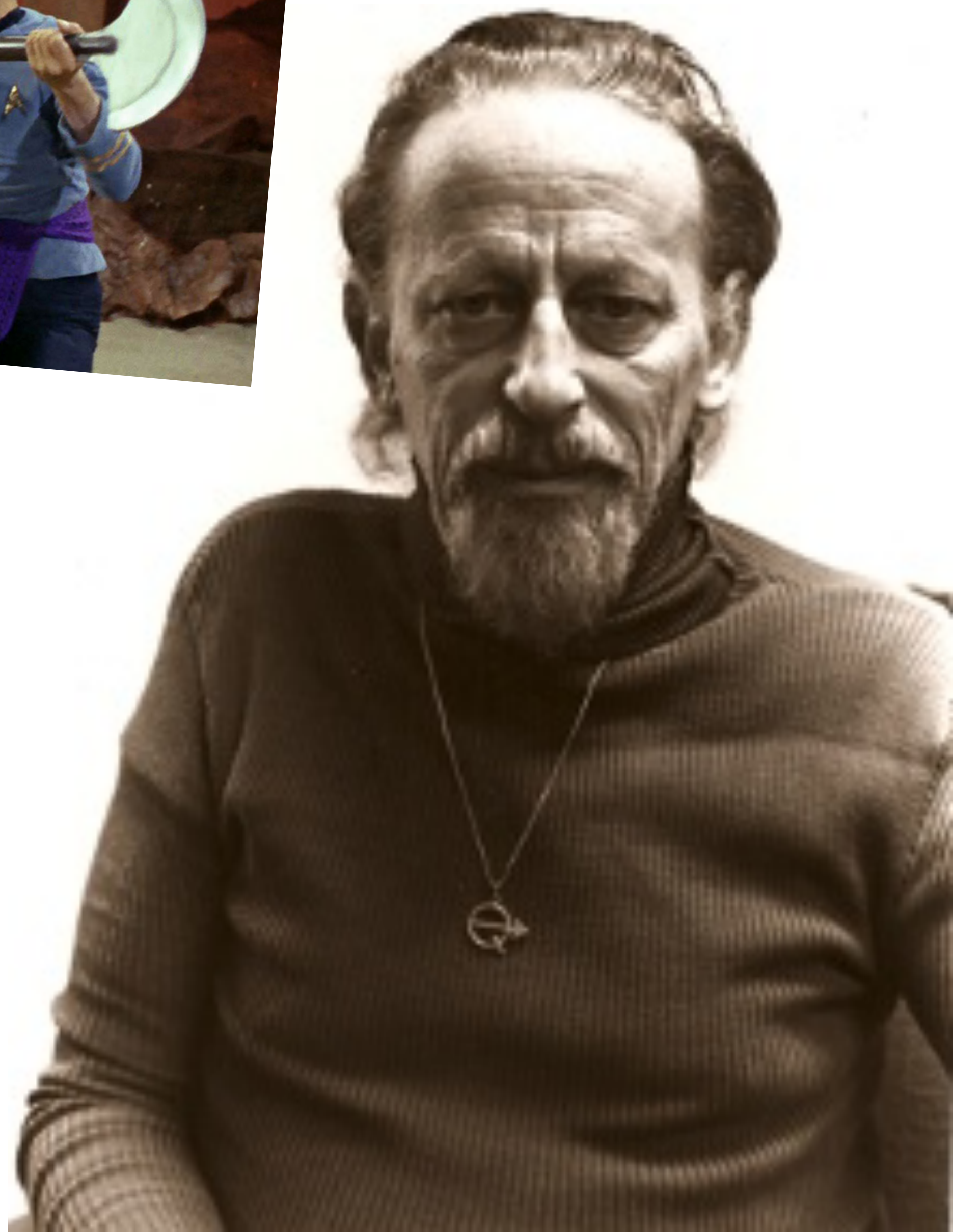
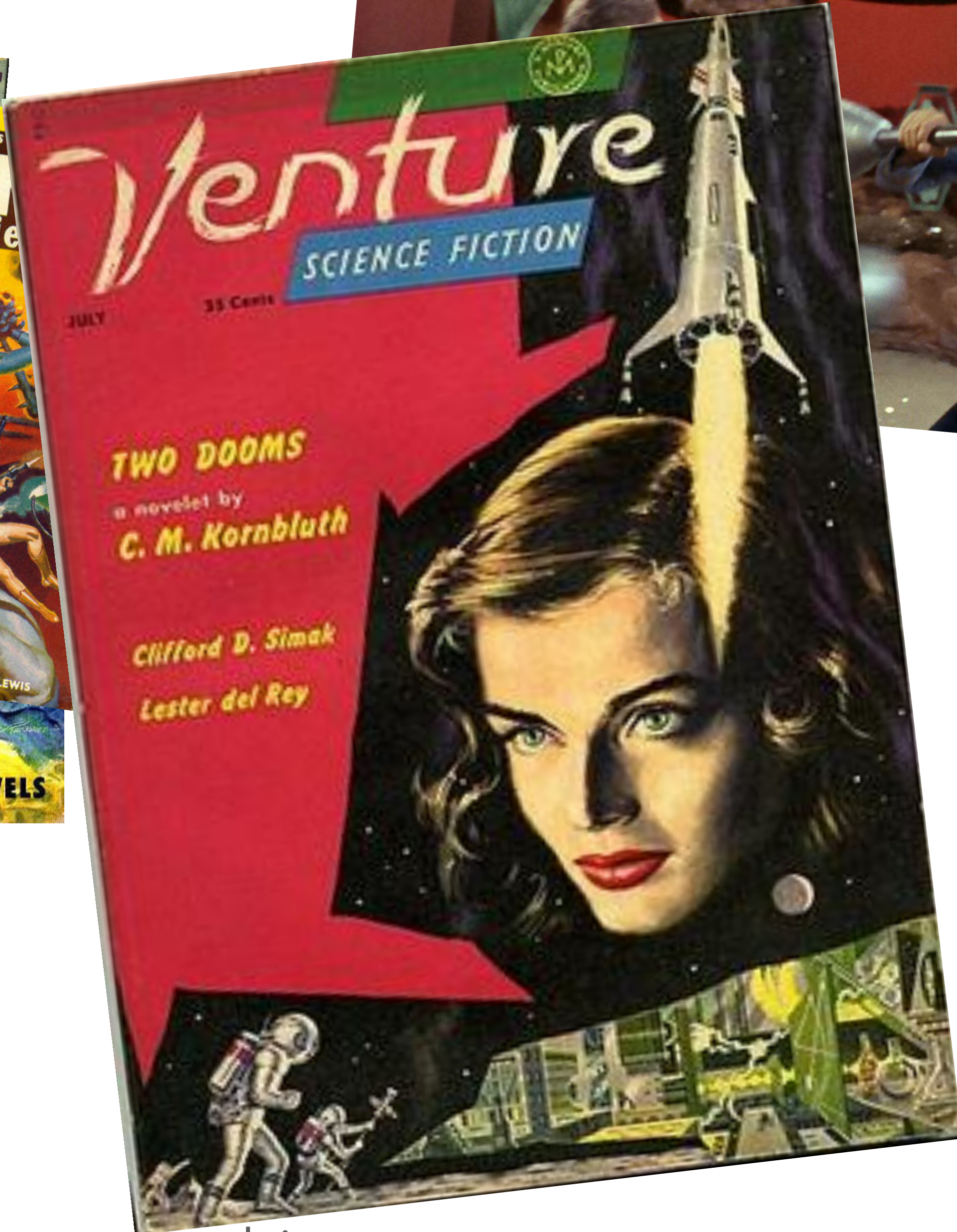
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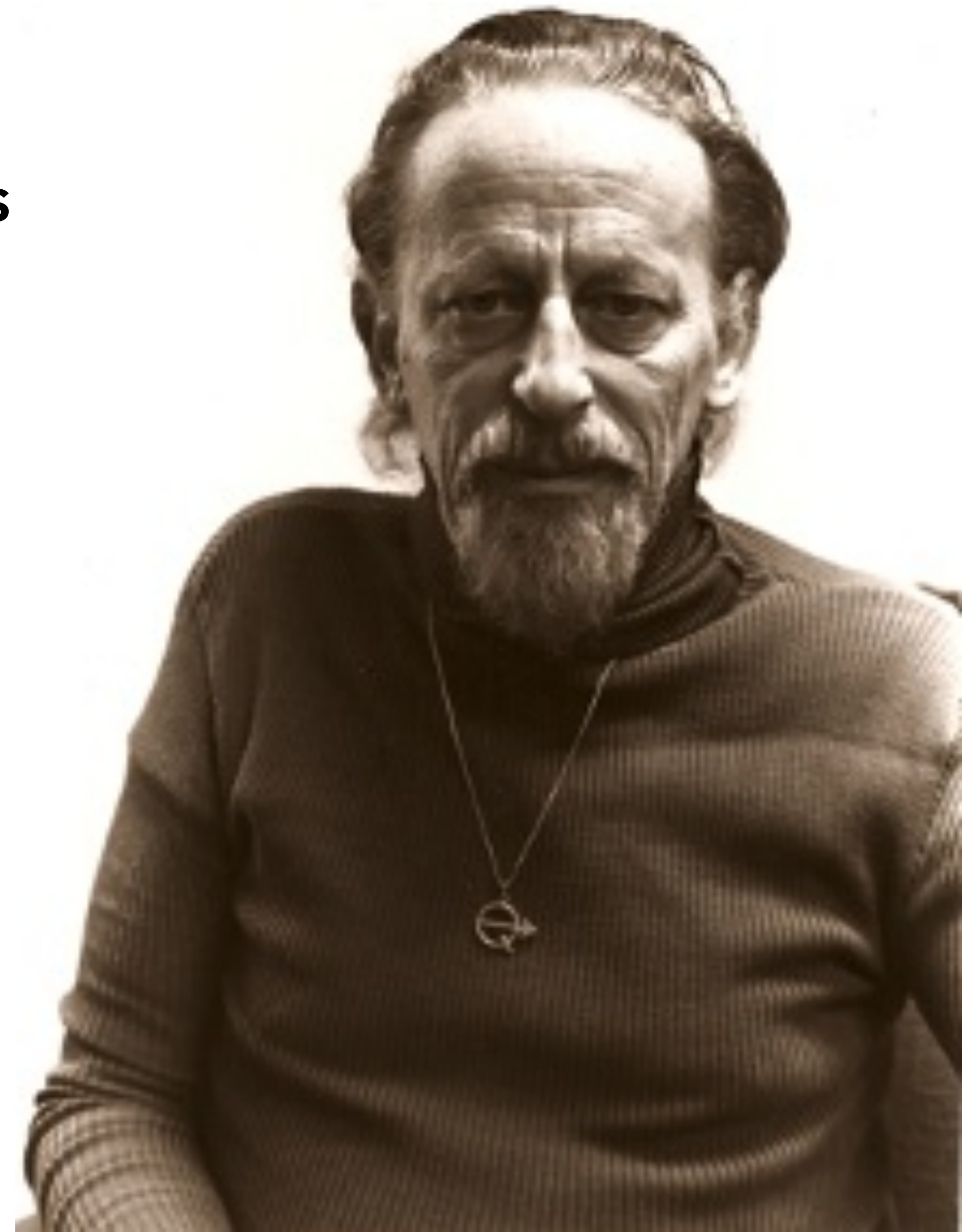
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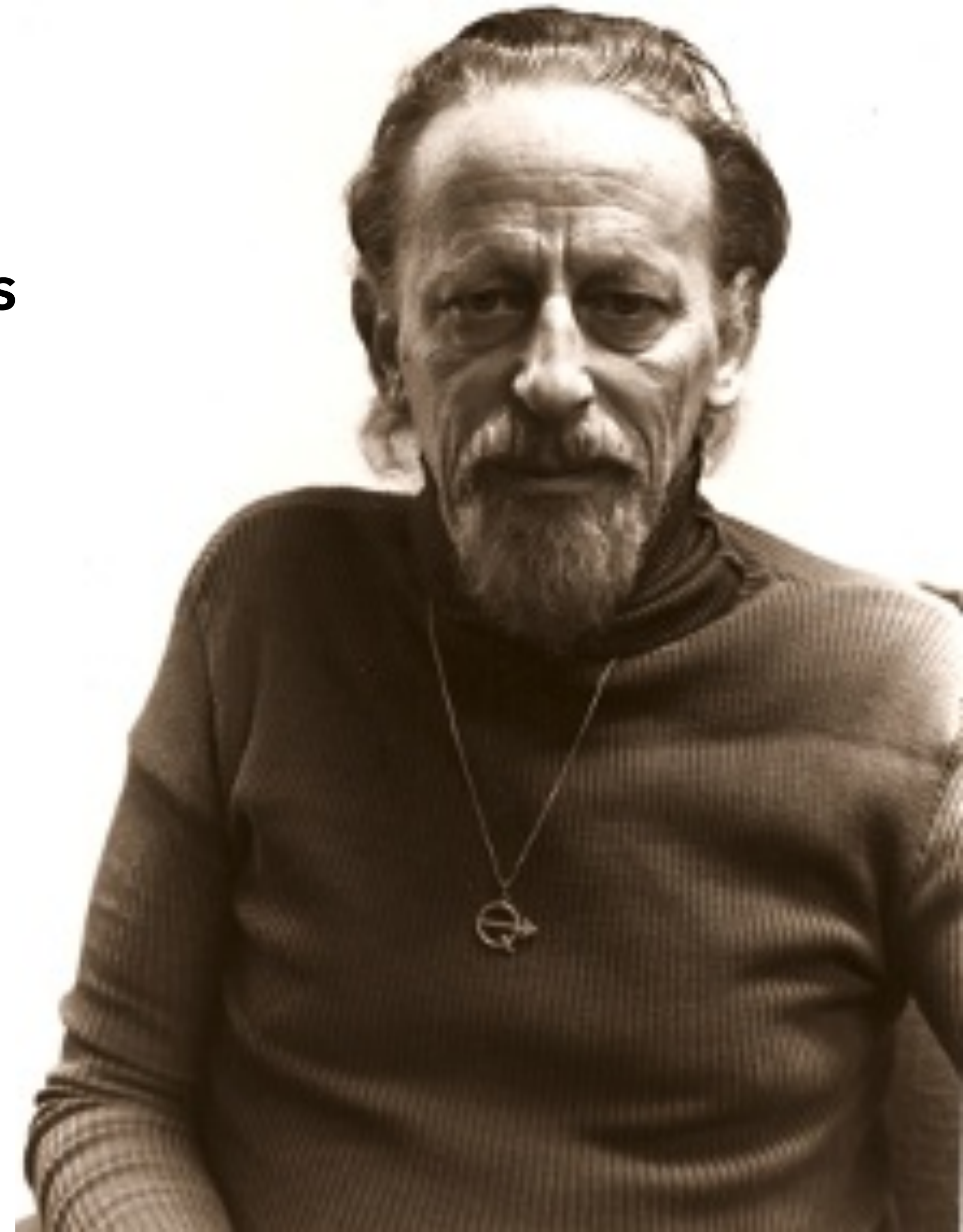
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