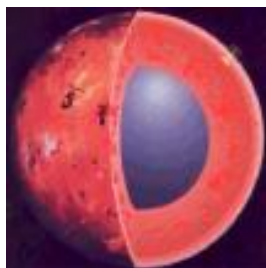


Data Exchange: Computing Cores in Polynomial Time



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This talk is based on two recent papers:

G.....: Computing Cores for Data Exchange: New Algorithms and Practical Solutions PODS 2005

G.... & Nash: Data Exchange: Computing Cores in Polynomial Time. Submitted to PODS 2006.

Detailed joint extended version of both papers:

G.... & Nash: Efficient Core Computation in Data Exchange. Available from the authors (Draft).

Talk Structure



Introduction & basics

Computing Cores

- for weakly acyclic TGDs as target dependencies
- for EGDs and weakly acyclic TGDs as target dependencies

Further results (time permitting)

Cores

Instance:

{ $p(X,Y)$, $p(X,b)$, $p(a,b)$, $p(U,c)$, $p(U,V)$, $q(a,c,d)$ }

Logical meaning

$\exists X, Y, U, V:$

$p(X,Y) \ \& \ p(X,b) \ \& \ p(a,b) \ \& \ p(U,c) \ \& \ p(U,V) \ \& \ q(a,c,d)$

Cores

endomorphism $h: \{Y \rightarrow b\}$

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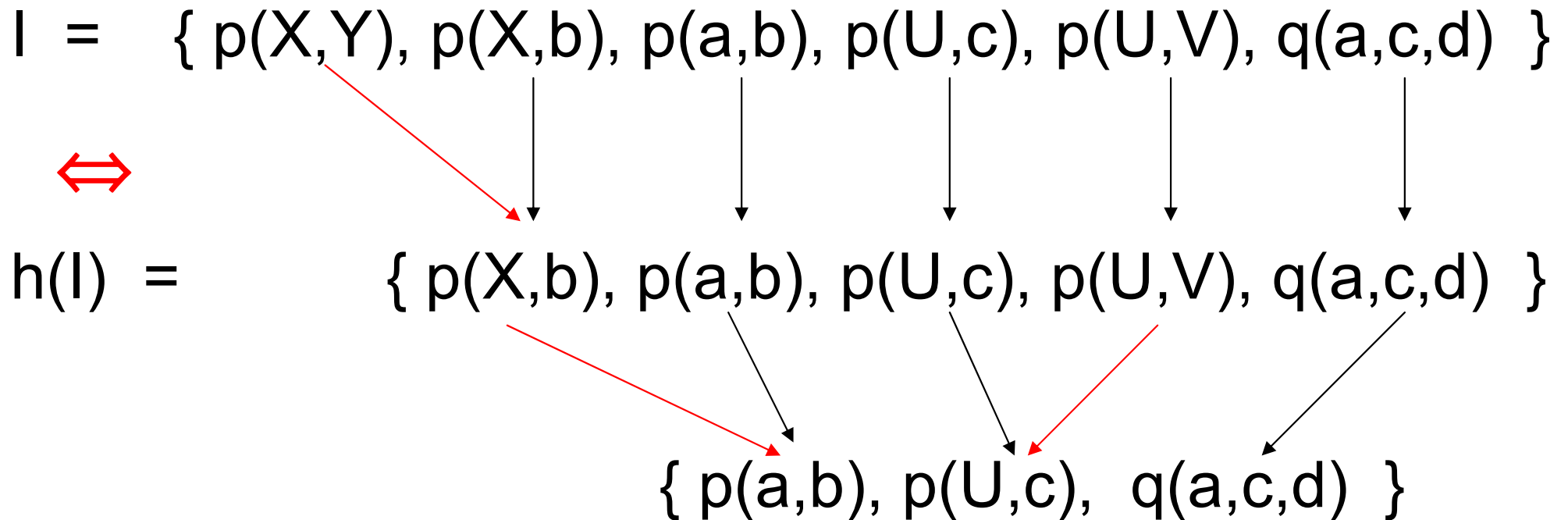
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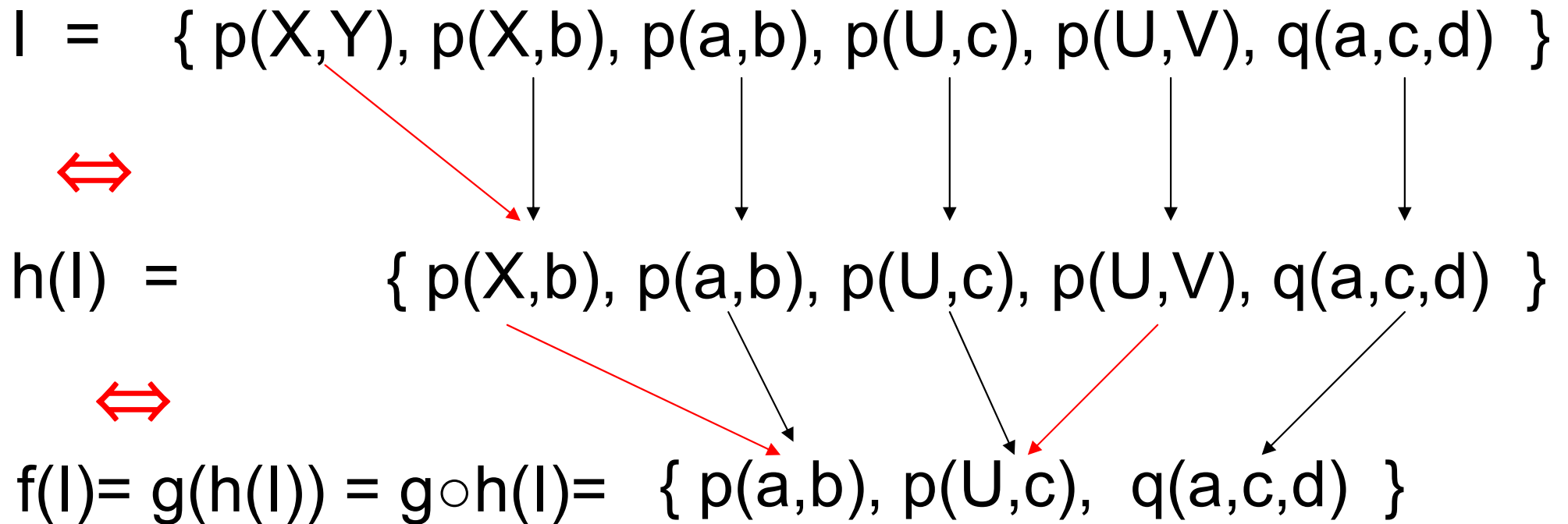
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no refinement by endomorphisms possible !

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Core(I)

unique up to variable-renaming!

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Blocks

$$I = \{ p(X,Y), p(X,b), p(a,b), p(U,c), p(U,V), q(a,c,d) \}$$

Blocks: Connected components in the variable-graph

Atom-Blocks: corresponding sets of atoms

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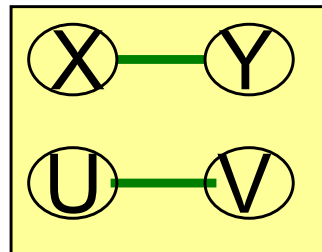
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$\{X,Y\}$

$\{U,V\}$

$\text{blocksize}(I)=2$

Blocks: Connected components in the variable-graph



variable-graph

$\text{blocksize}(I) =$ size of largest block of I

[Fagin, Kolaitis, Popa PODS'03]:

- Computing $\text{core}(I)$ is NP-hard in general.
- It is tractable for bounded blocksize b :

$\text{core}(I)$ can be computed in time
 $n * O(|\text{dom}(I)|^{b+2}) = O(n^{b+3})$

[G. PODS'05]

- Computing $\text{core}(I)$ tractable for bounded treewidth or hypertree-width of variable-graph

\Rightarrow new bound: $O(n^{b/2+3})$

based on hypertree decompositions. (\rightarrow end of talk, time permitting)

Dependencies

Tuple generating dependencies TGDs:

$$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z p(X,Y) \& q(Y,Z) \rightarrow \exists U \exists V r(X,U) \& p(Z,V)$$

Equality generating dependencies EGDs:

$$\forall X \forall Y \forall Z p(X,Y) \& p(X,Z) \rightarrow Y=Z$$

We usually omit universal quantifiers...

TGDs can be cyclic in which case the Chase may not terminate

Cyclic TGD:

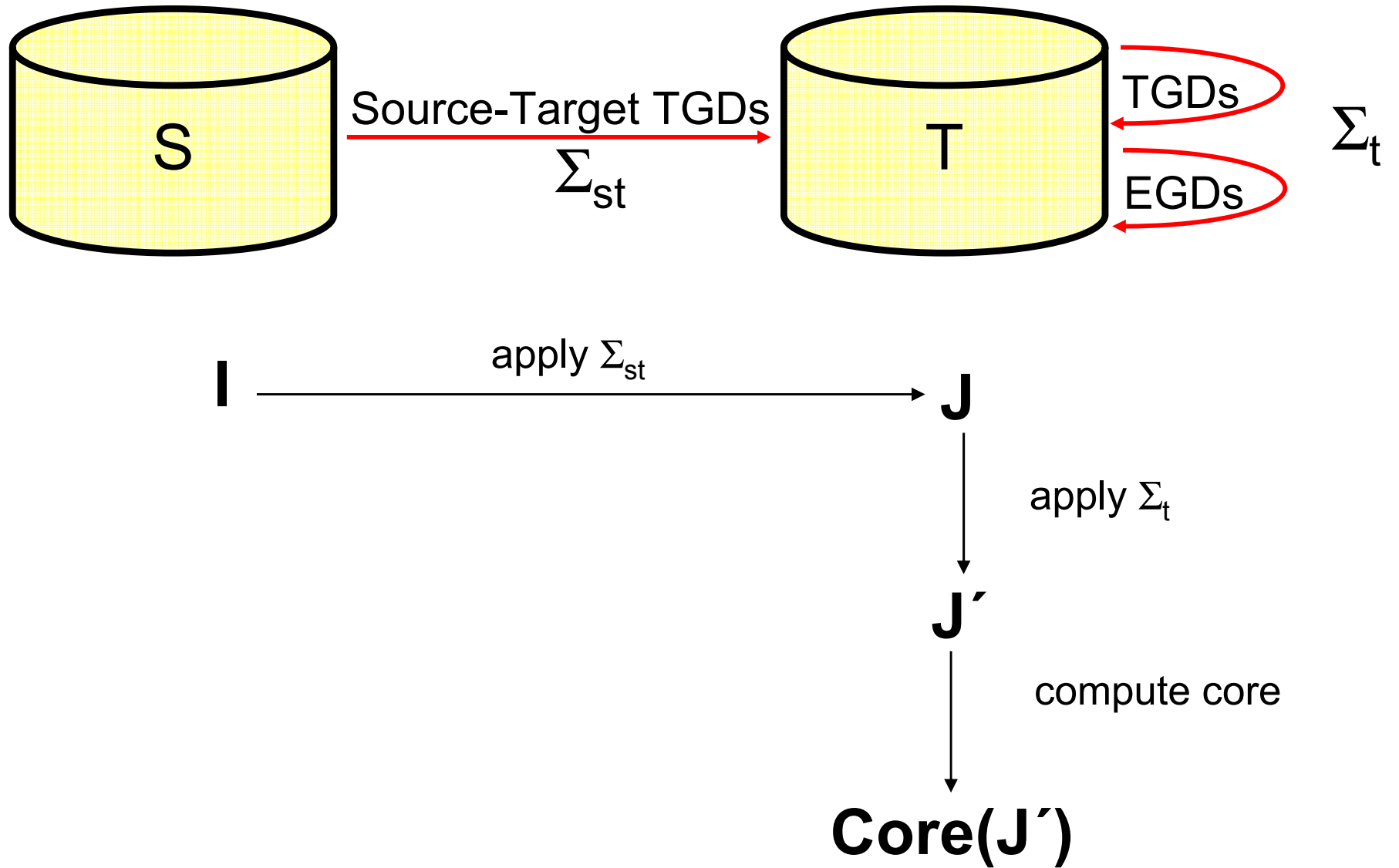
$$p(X,Y) \& q(Y,Z) \rightarrow \exists U,V r(X,U) \& p(Z,V)$$


We restrict ourselves to setting of
weakly acyclic sets of TGDs + arbitrary EGDs
([Fagin, Kolaitis, Popa 03], [Deutsch, Tannen 03])

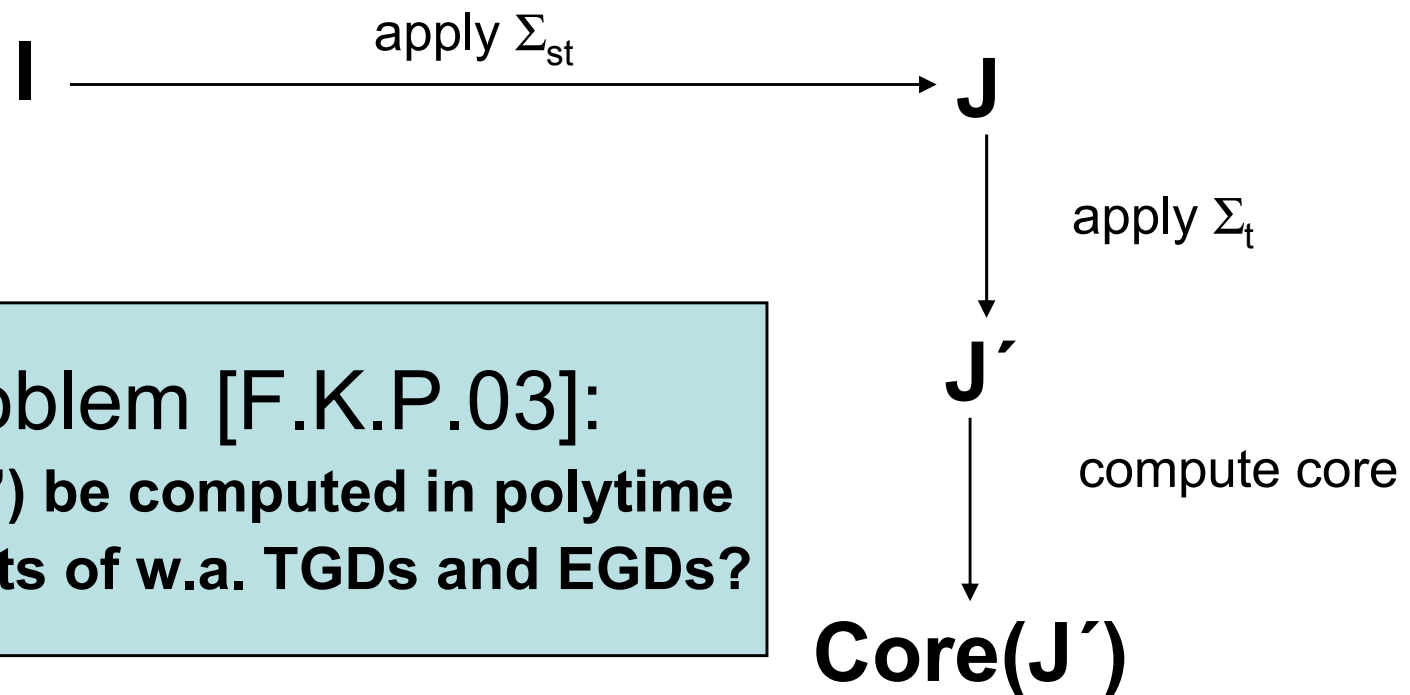
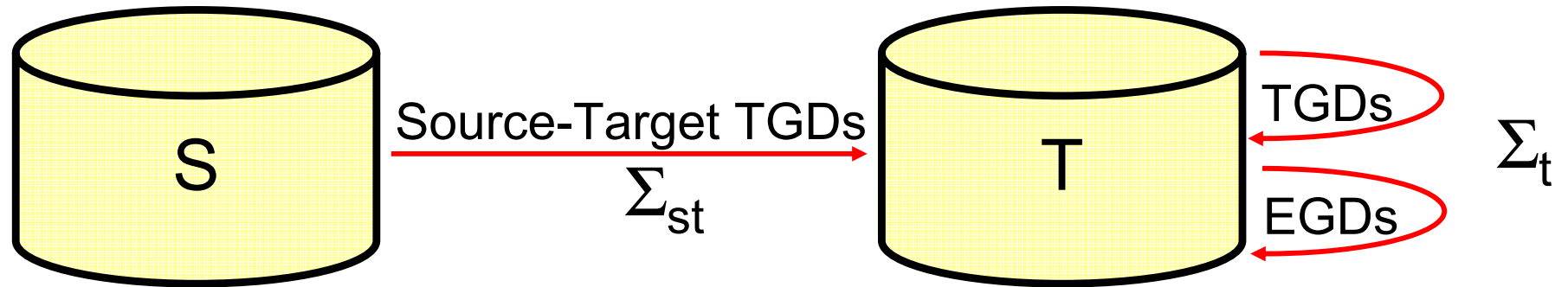
This covers the overwhelming part of relevant constraints:

- Functional dependencies
- w.a. inclusion dependencies
- referential integrity
- foreign key constraints...
- ...

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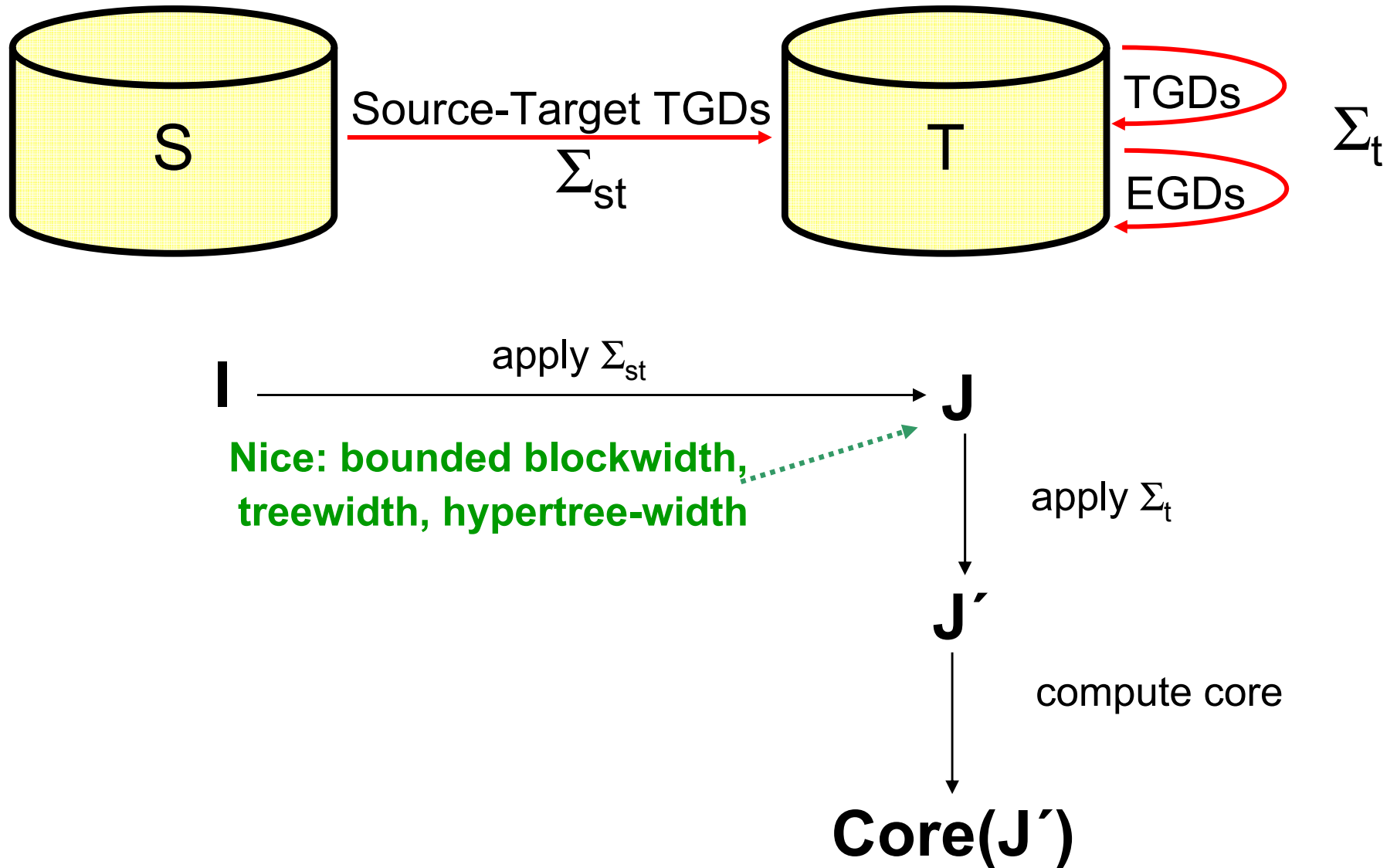


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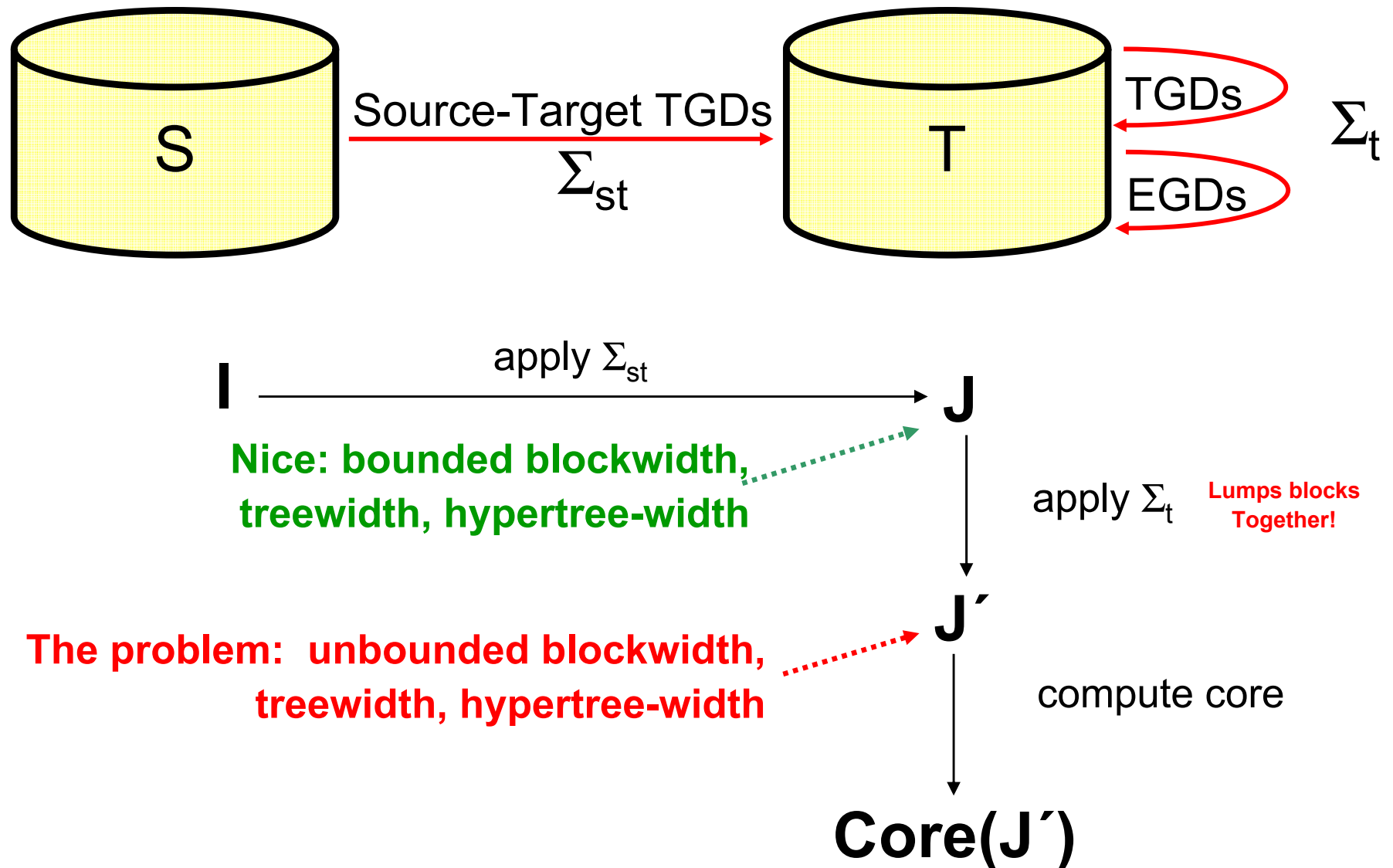


Open Problem [F.K.P.03]:
Can $\text{Core}(J')$ be computed in polytime
if Σ_t consists of w.a. TGDs and EGDs?

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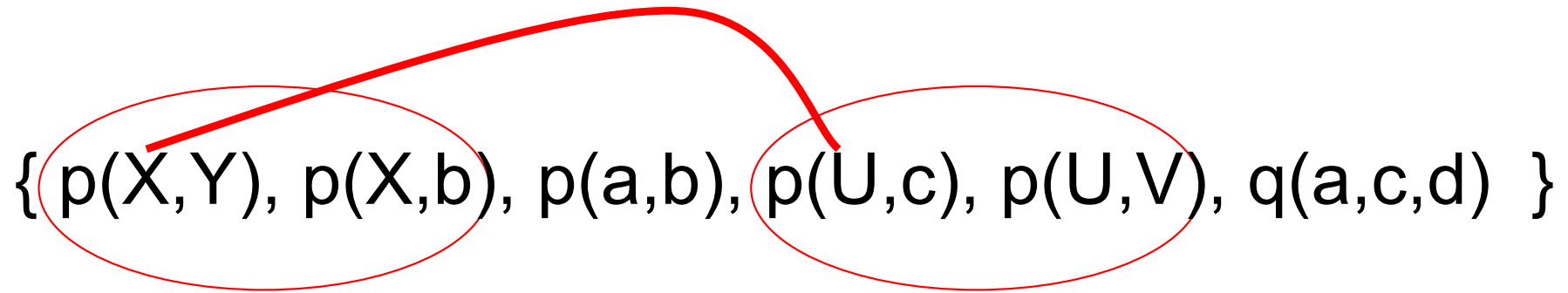
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TGD: $p(R,S) \ \& \ p(R',S') \ \rightarrow \ p(R,R')$

$p(X,U)$

$\{X,Y,U,V\}$ blocksize=4

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- In summary: Whenever we know we can compute universal solutions in PTIME, we know we can compute their cores in PTIME

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