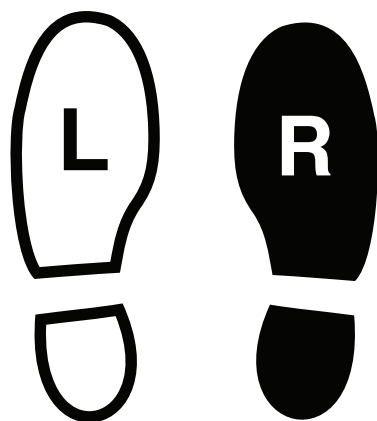


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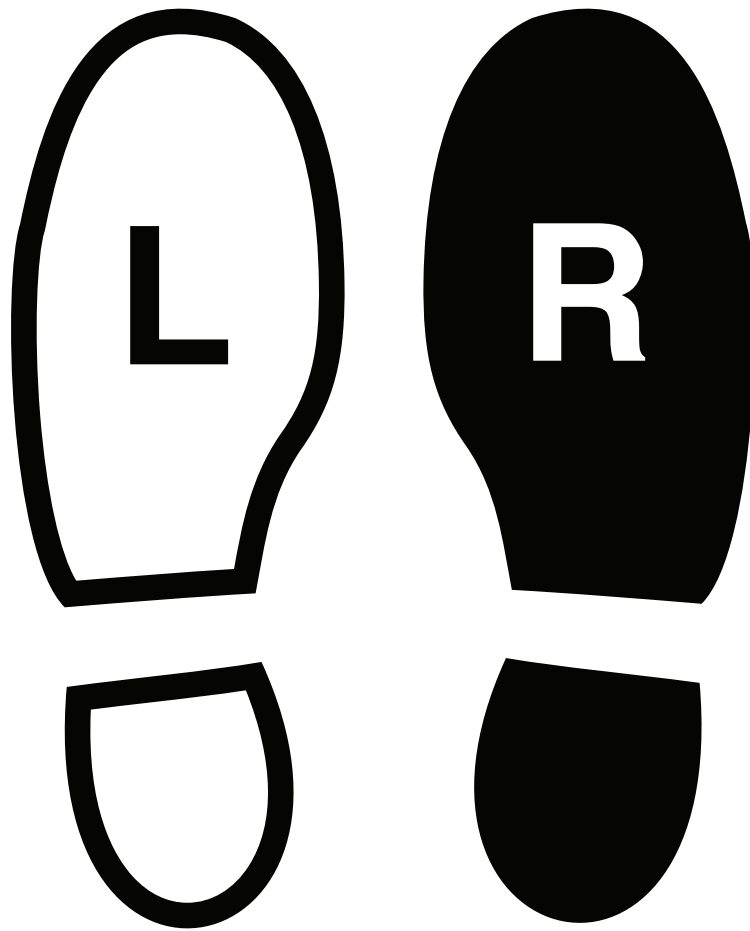
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A Generative Dance Book



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Spirit Animals

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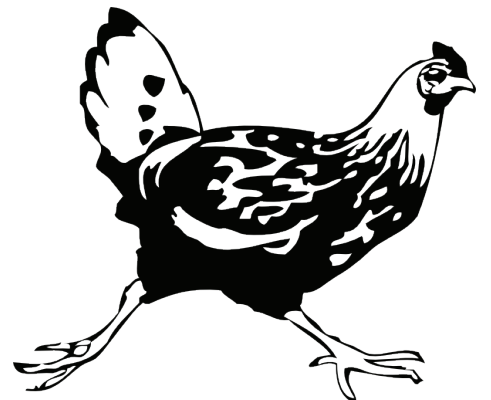
Spirit Animals is a computationally generated book of dances, created with Processing 3, an open-source software for creative coding. The dances can be done solo or in groups, with or without music, and are meant for novices and professionals alike. They aim, though do not promise, to be physically possible.

Spirit Animals draws influence from the Fluxus art movement, John Cage's compositions, Andy Warhol's *Dance Diagrams*, and traditional instructional dance diagrams such as the Fox Trot, Tango, and Lindy Hop. The dance names are derived using a random generator combining an adjective and an animal, producing variations on the "Funky Chicken."

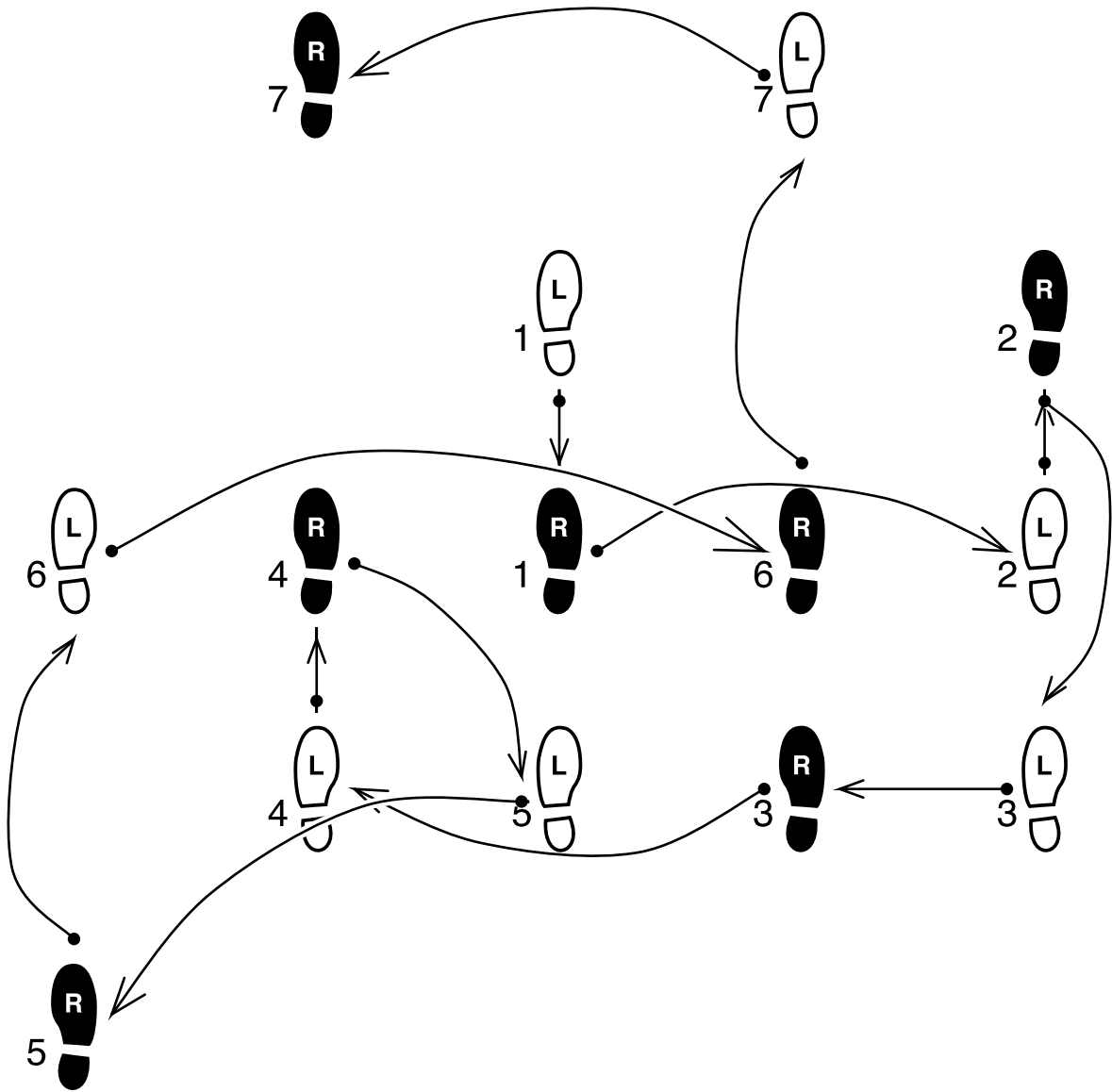
I hope you'll use **Spirit Animals** to dance anywhere, at any time, and with anyone. Why walk, when you can dance?

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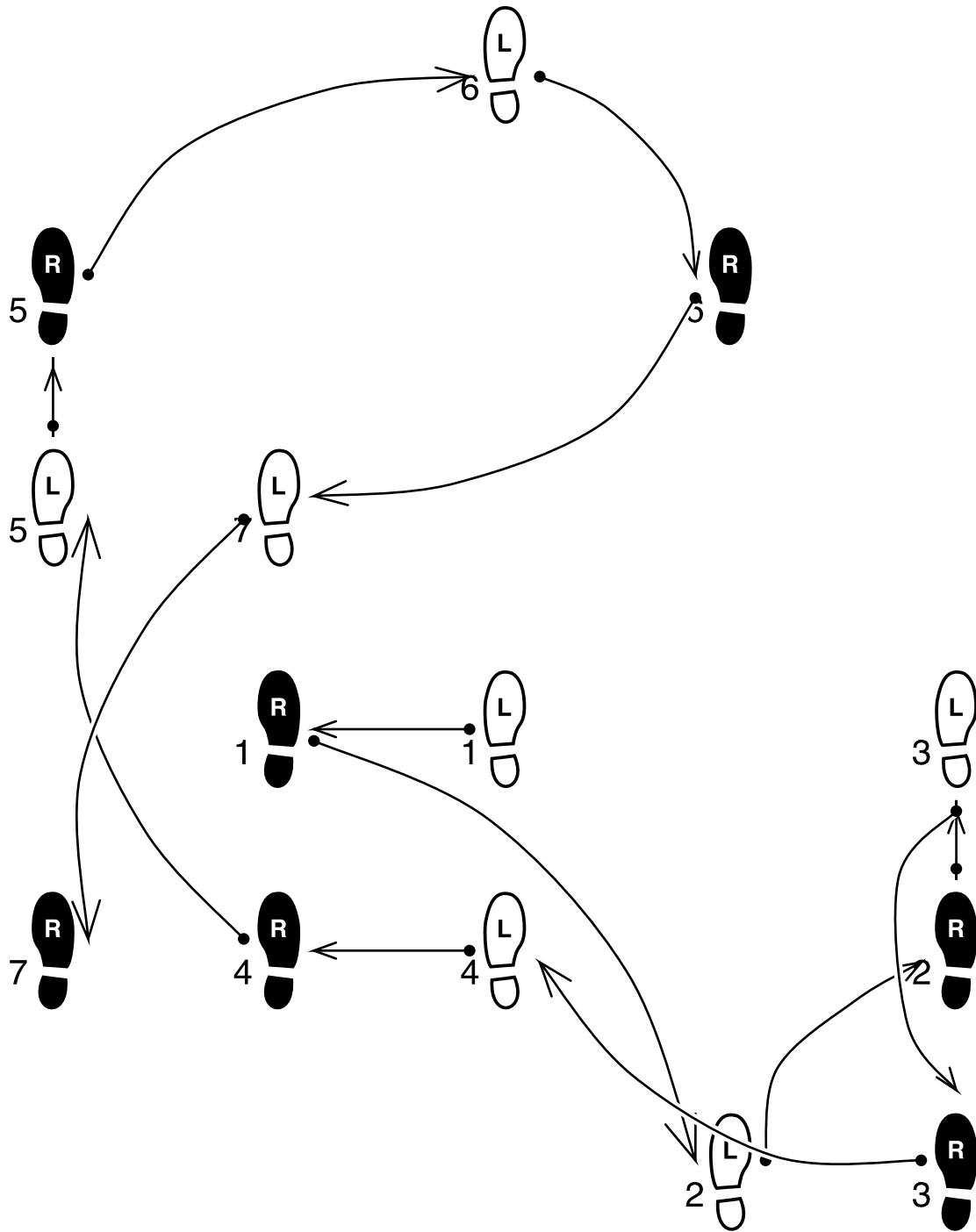
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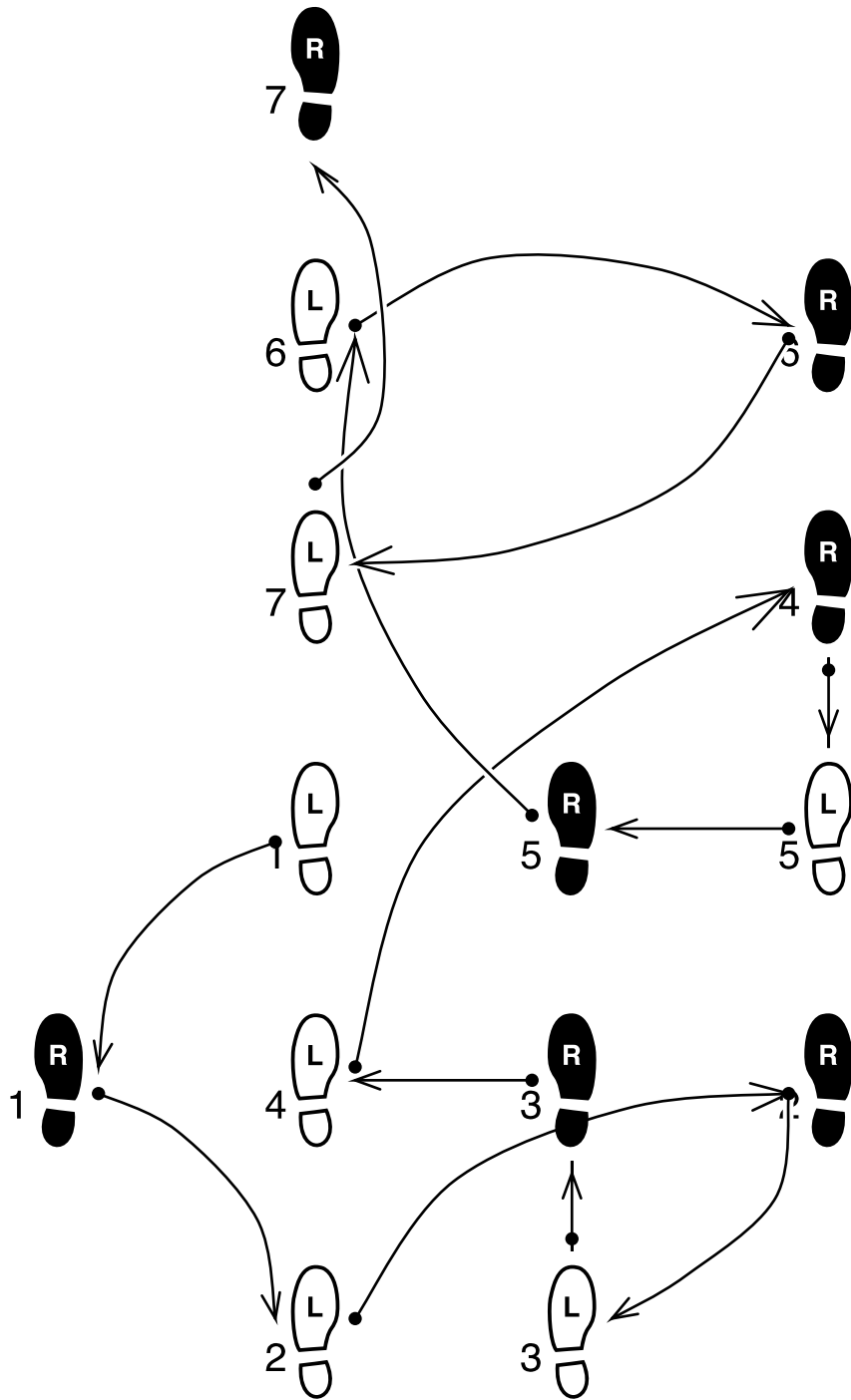
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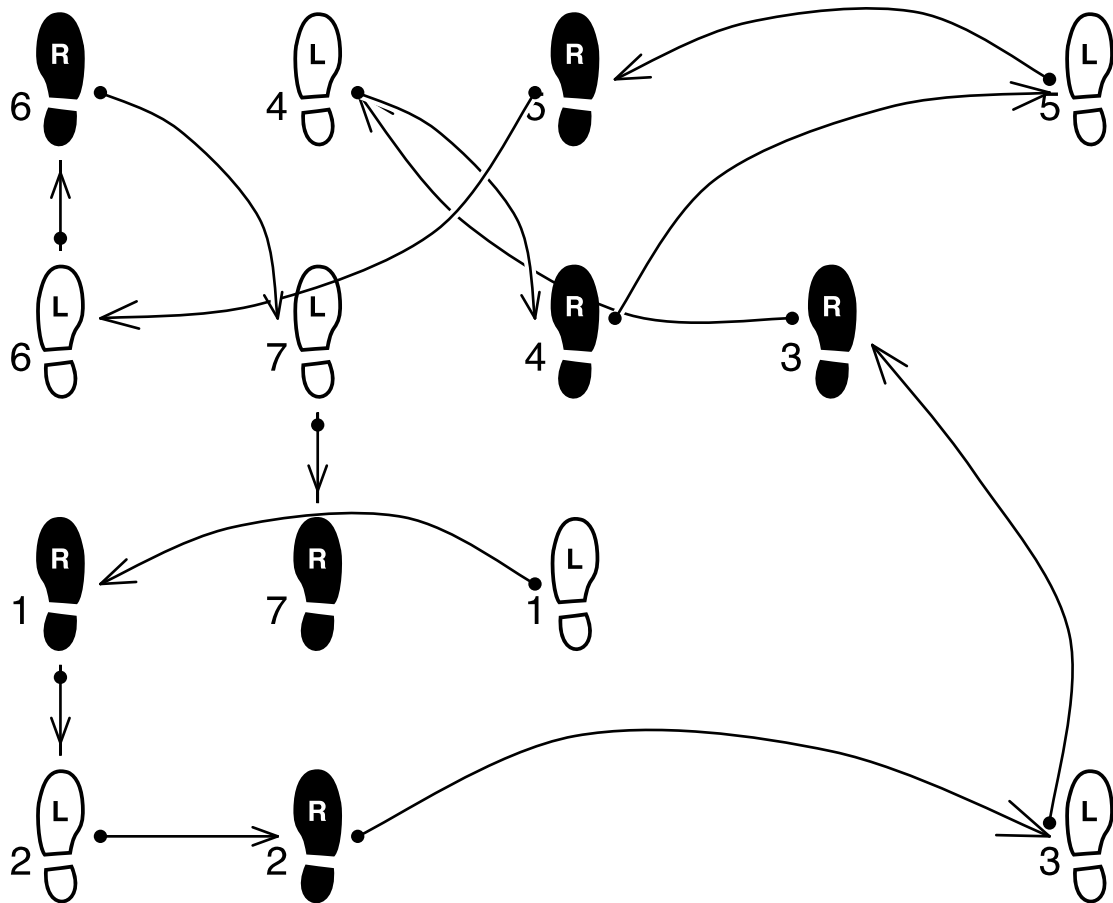
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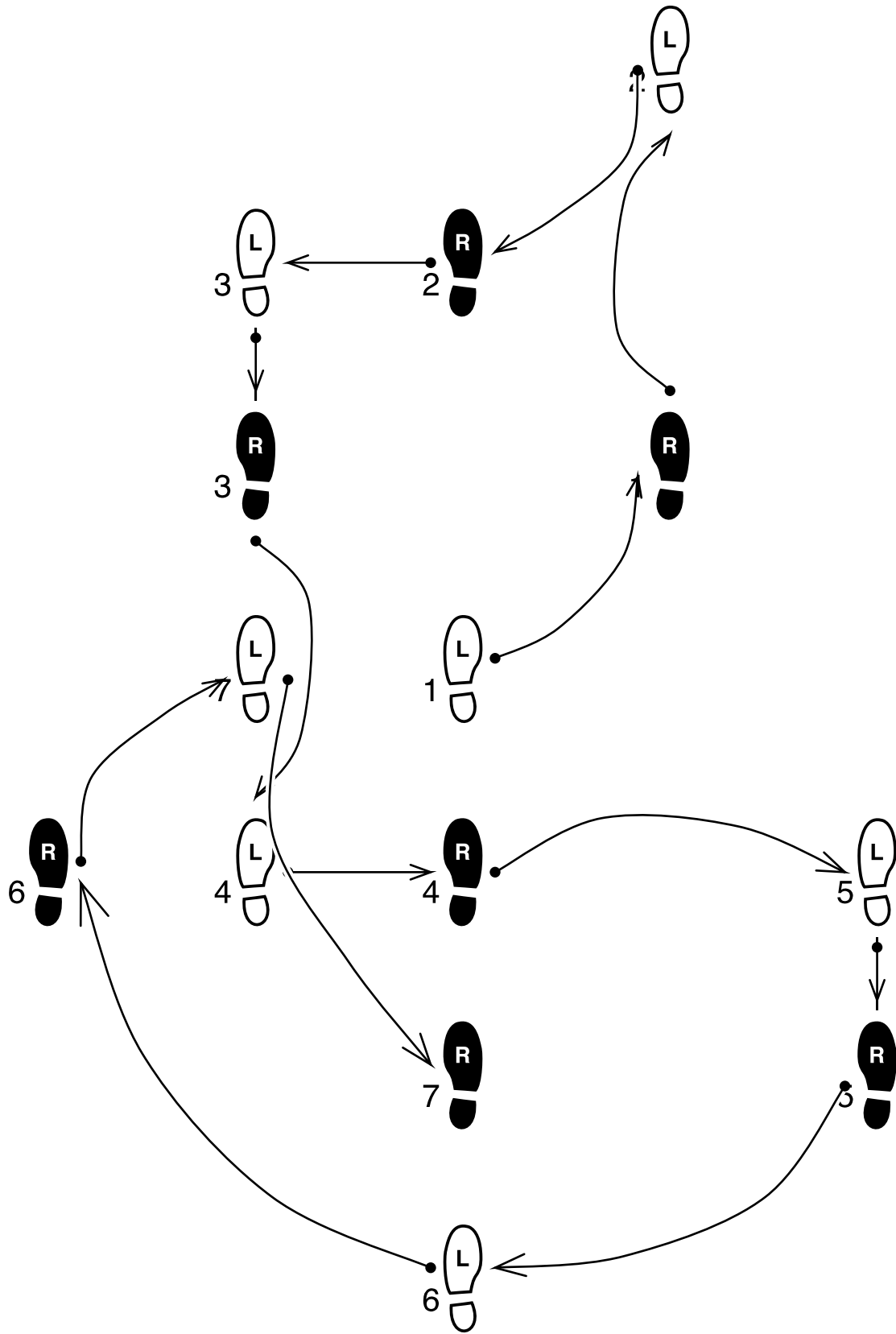
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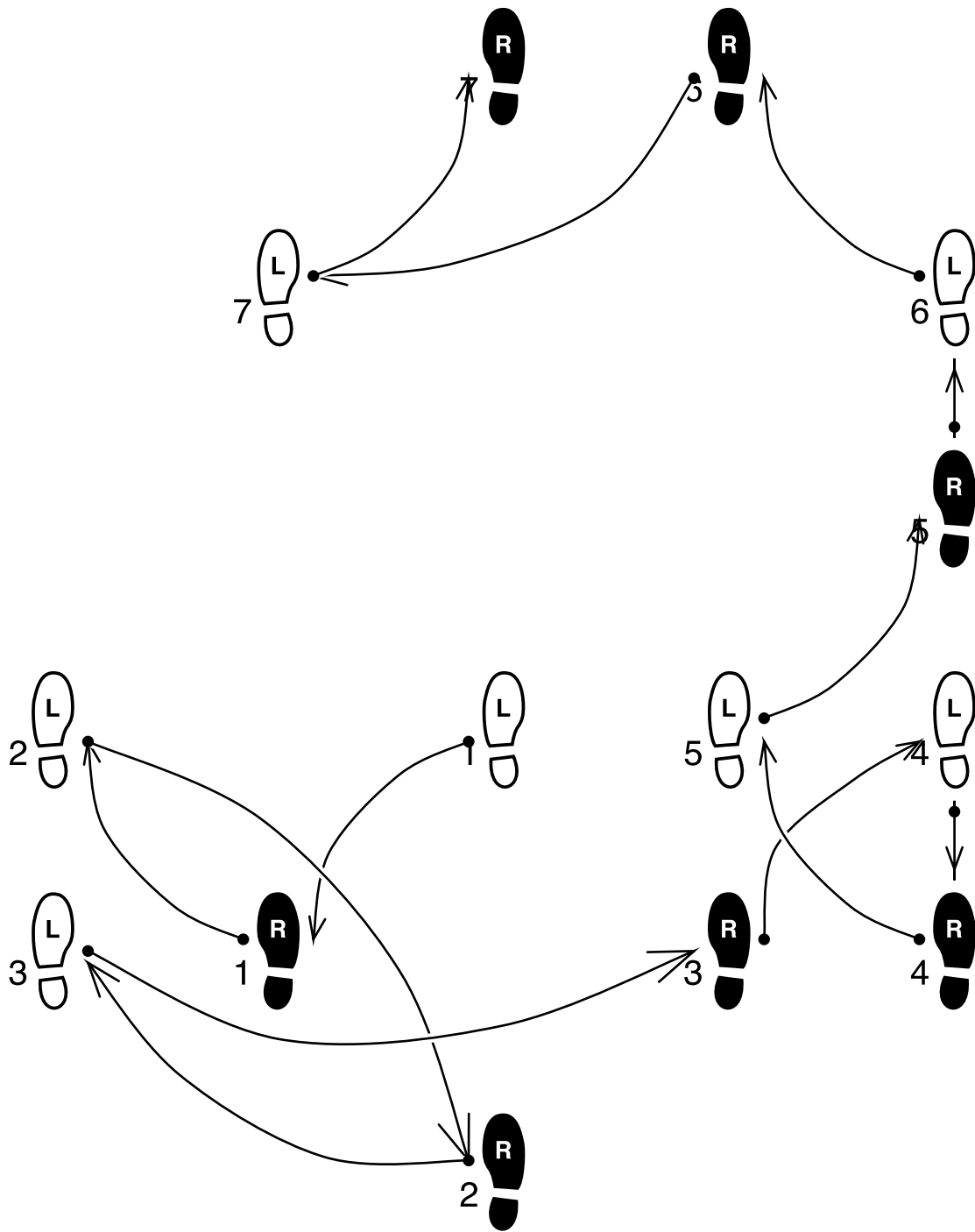
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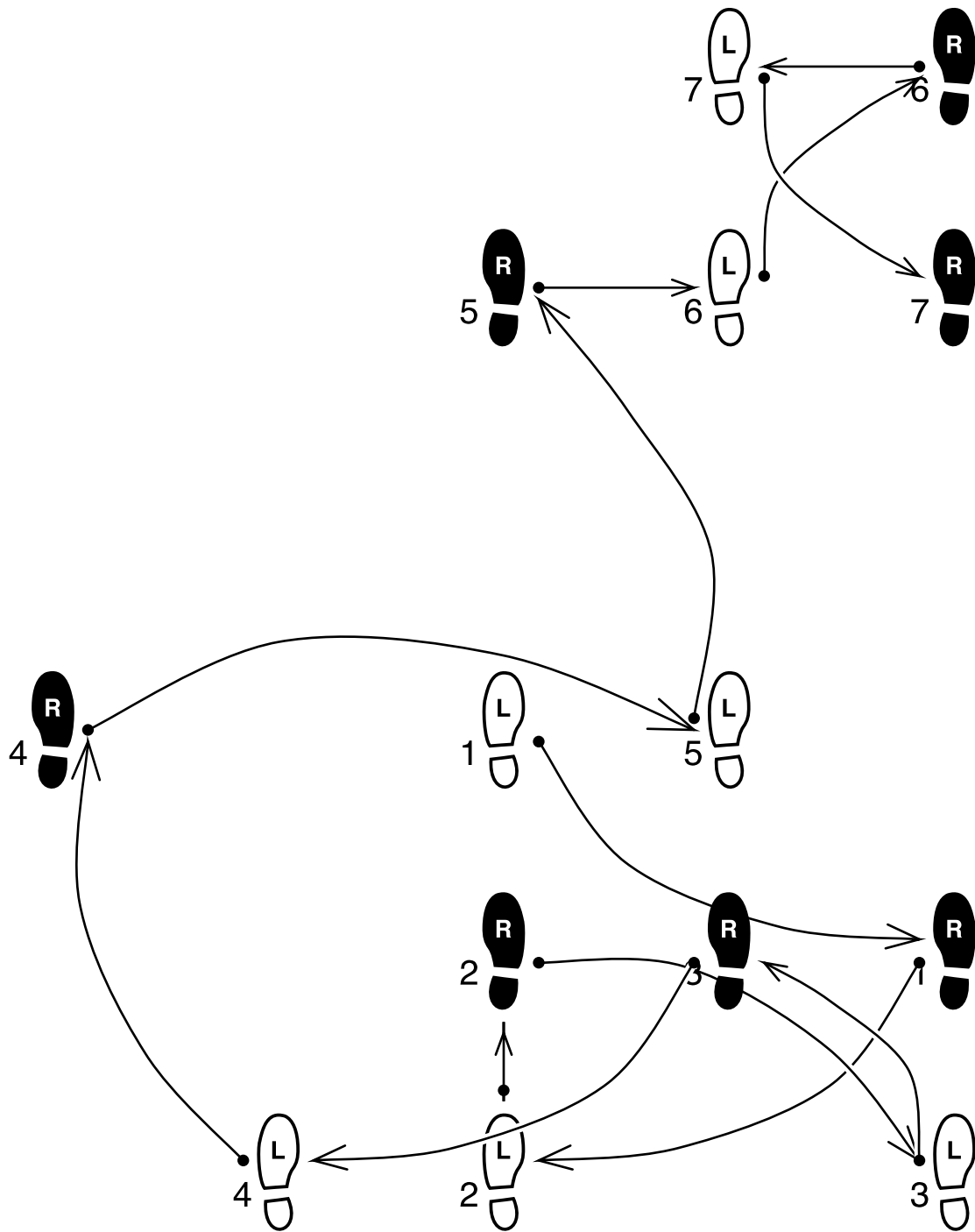
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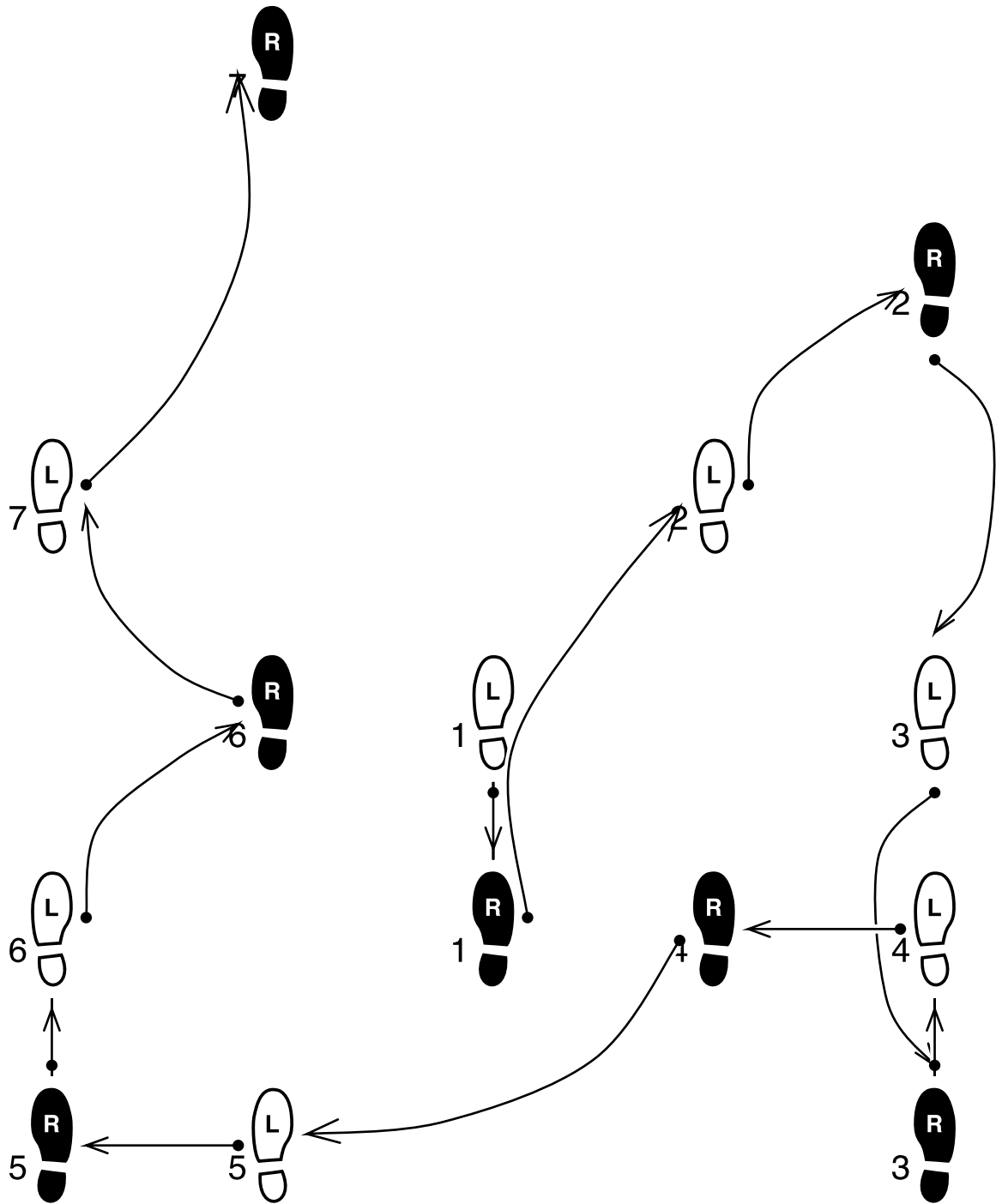
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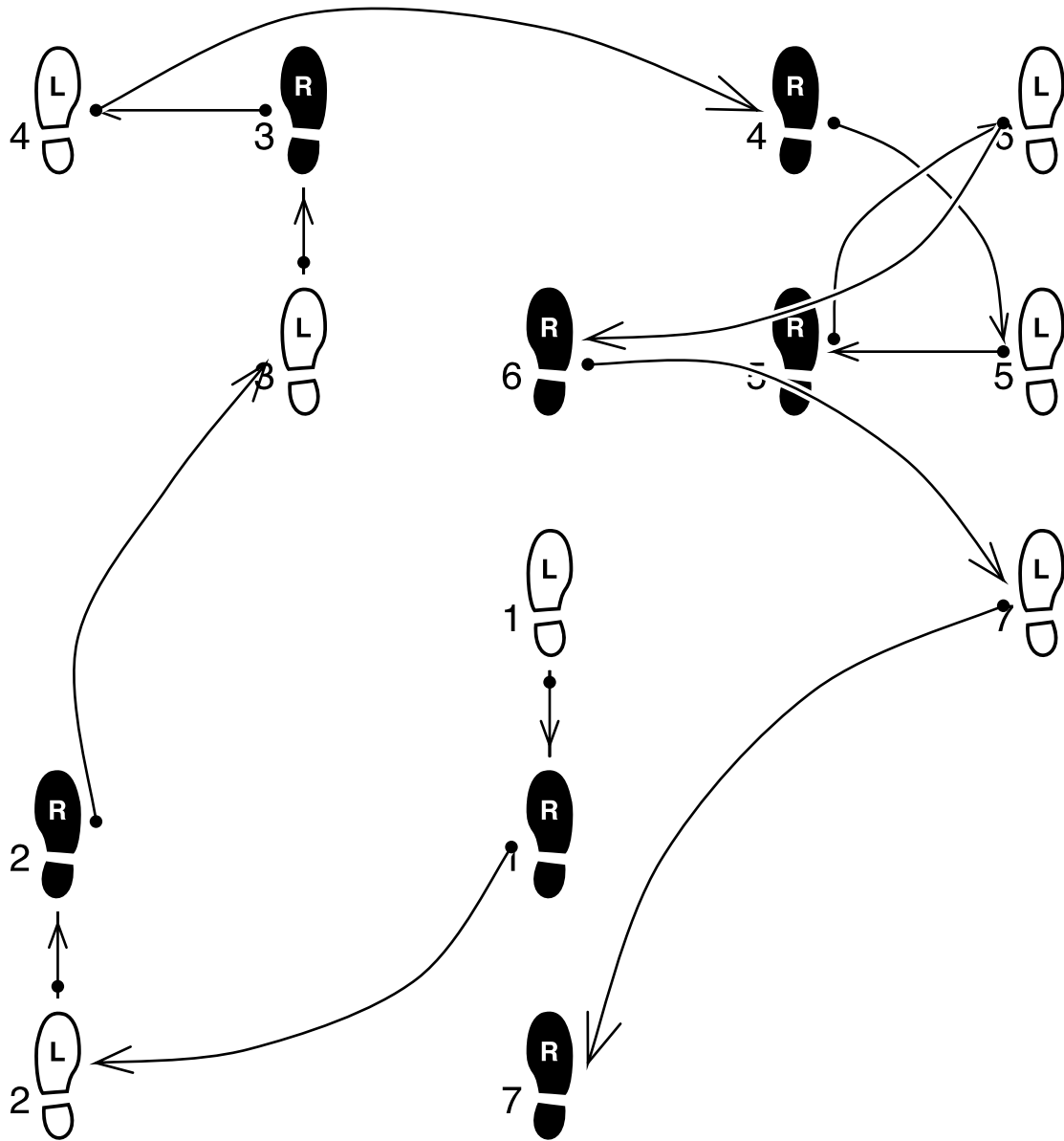
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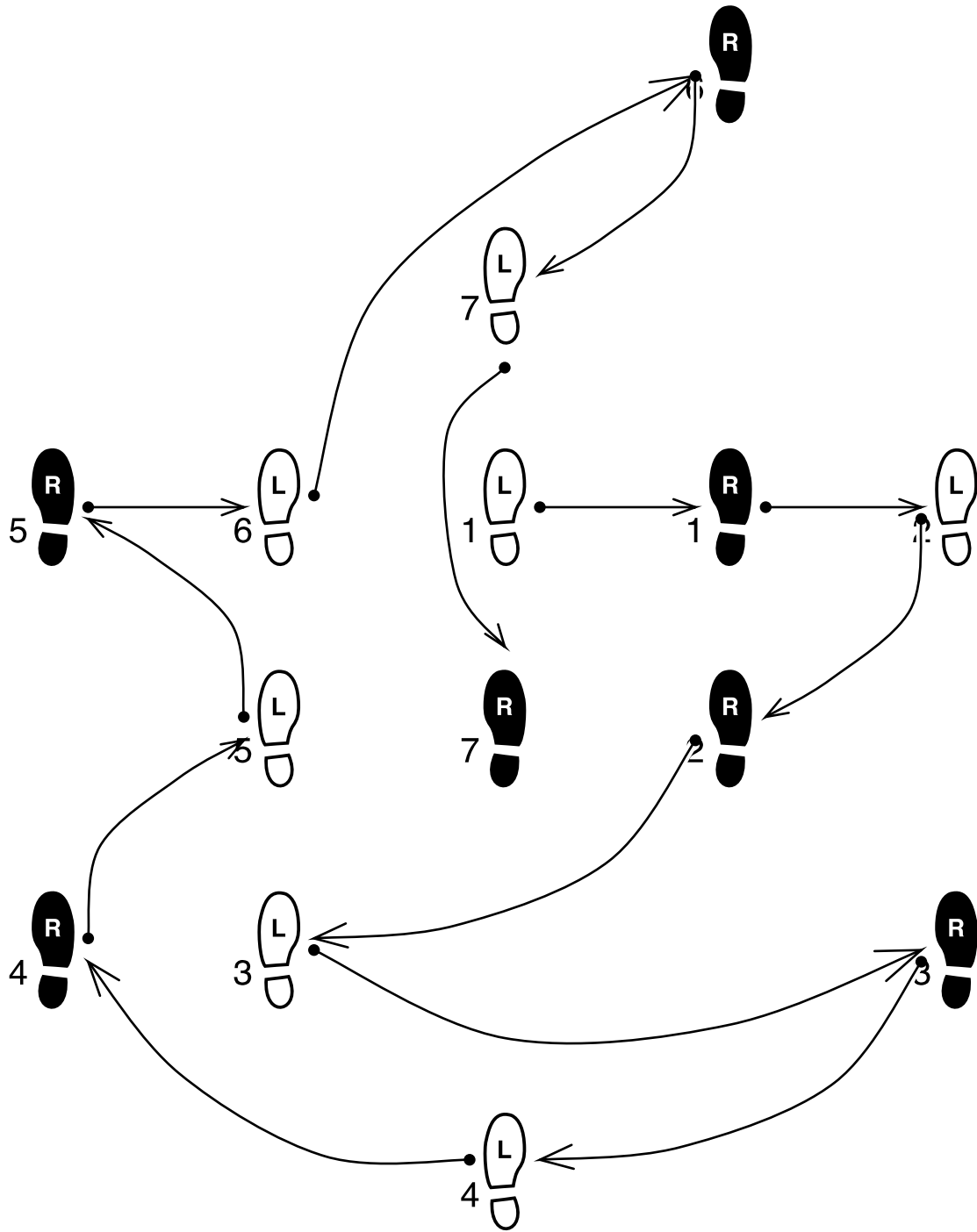
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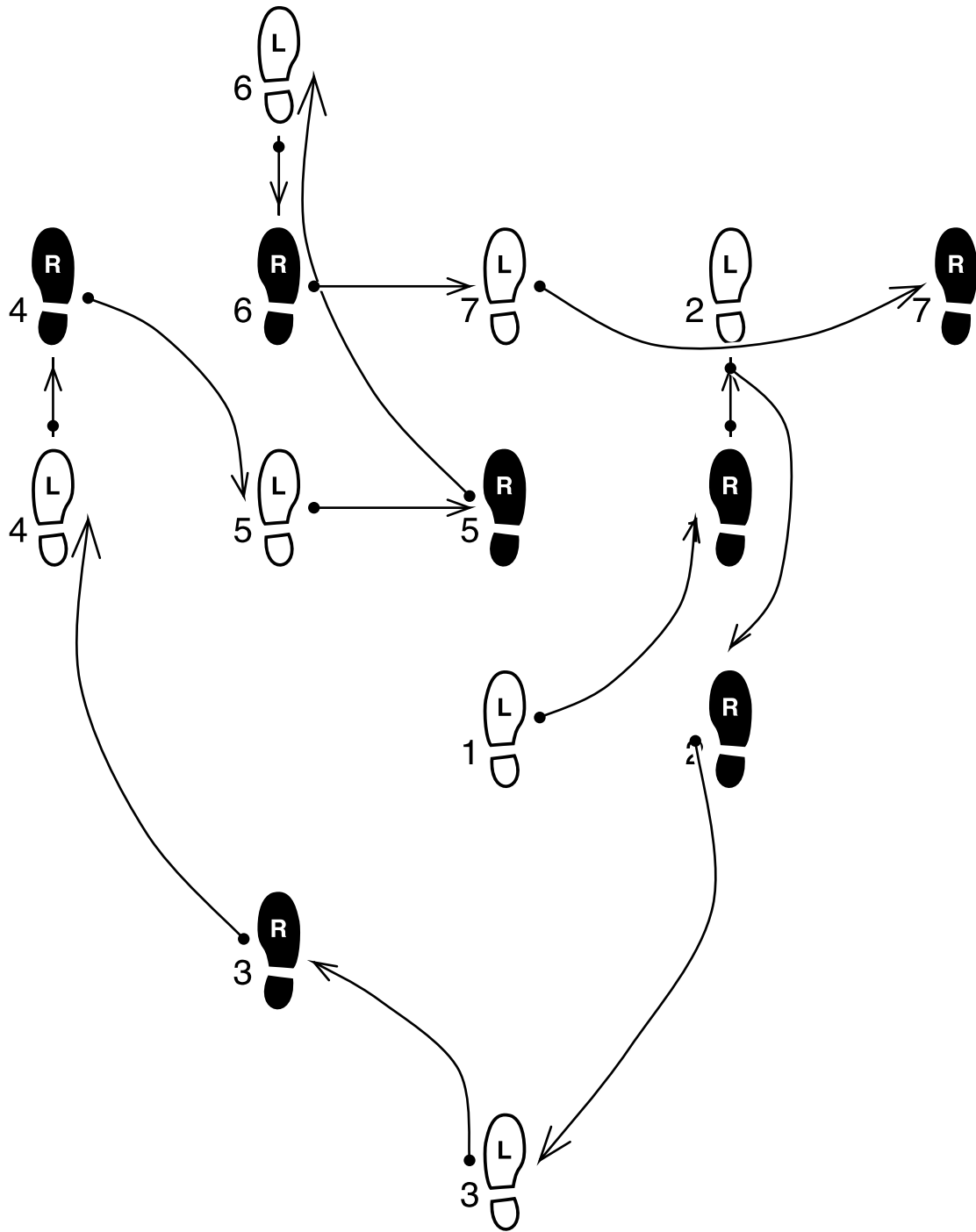
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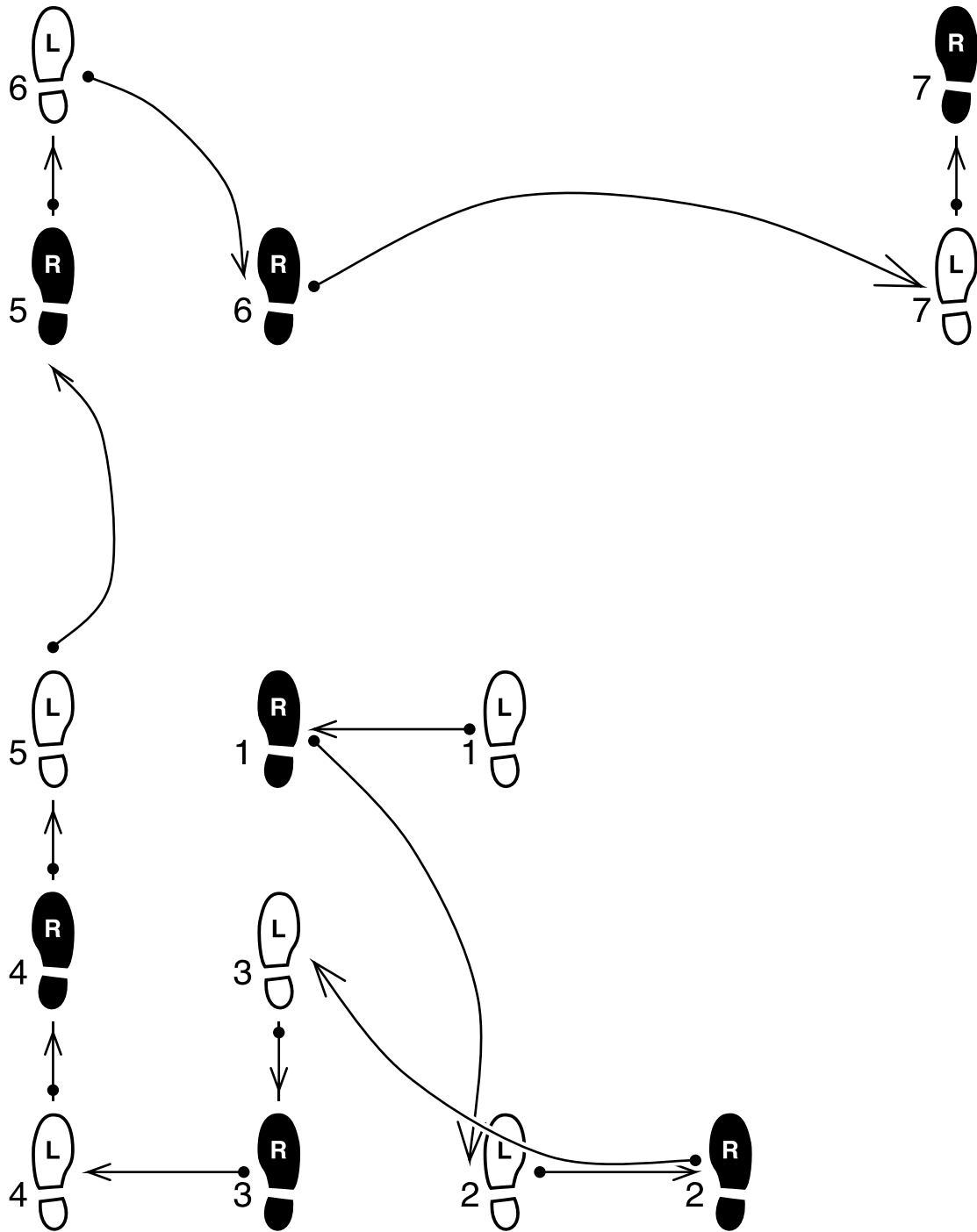
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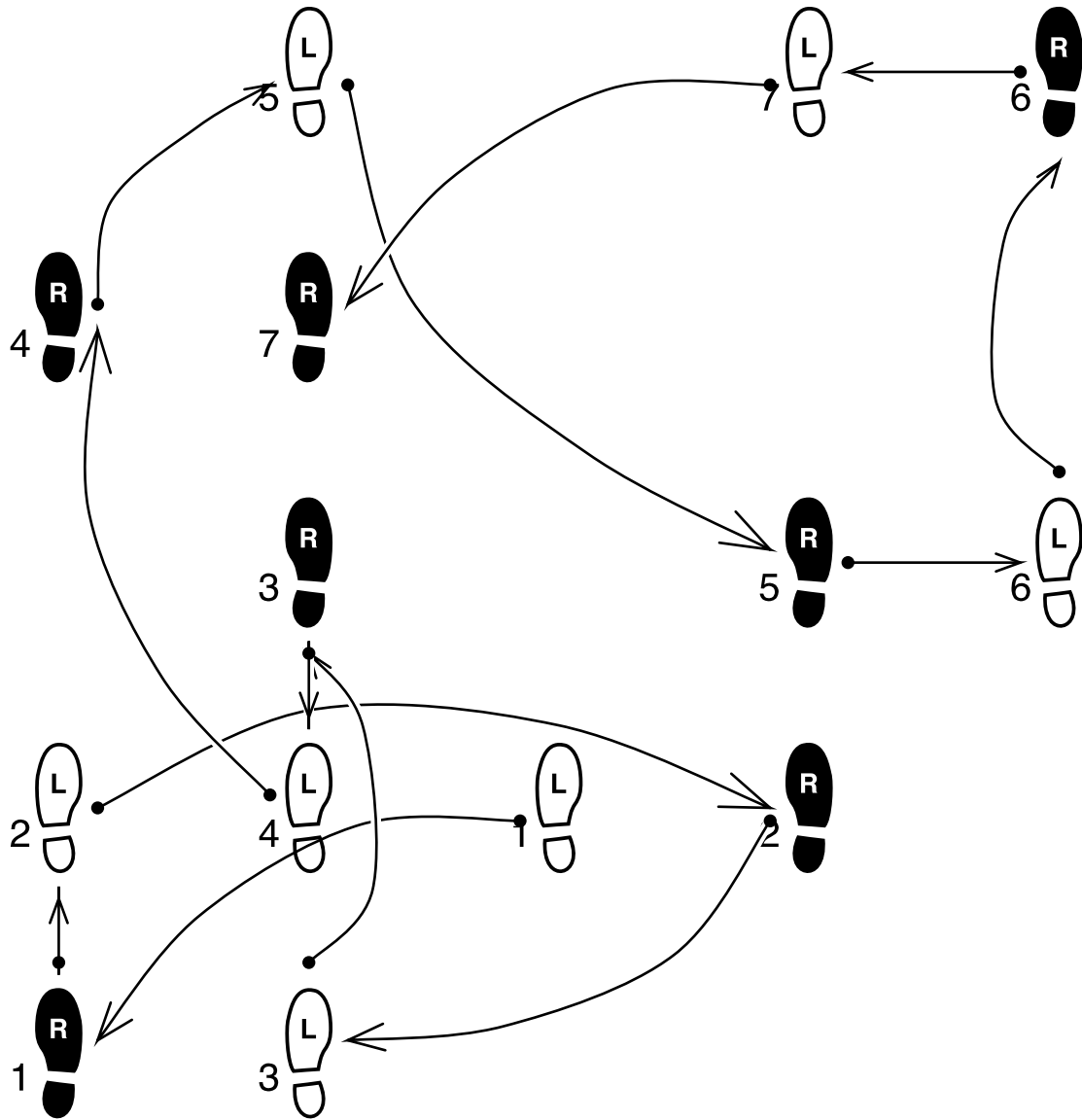
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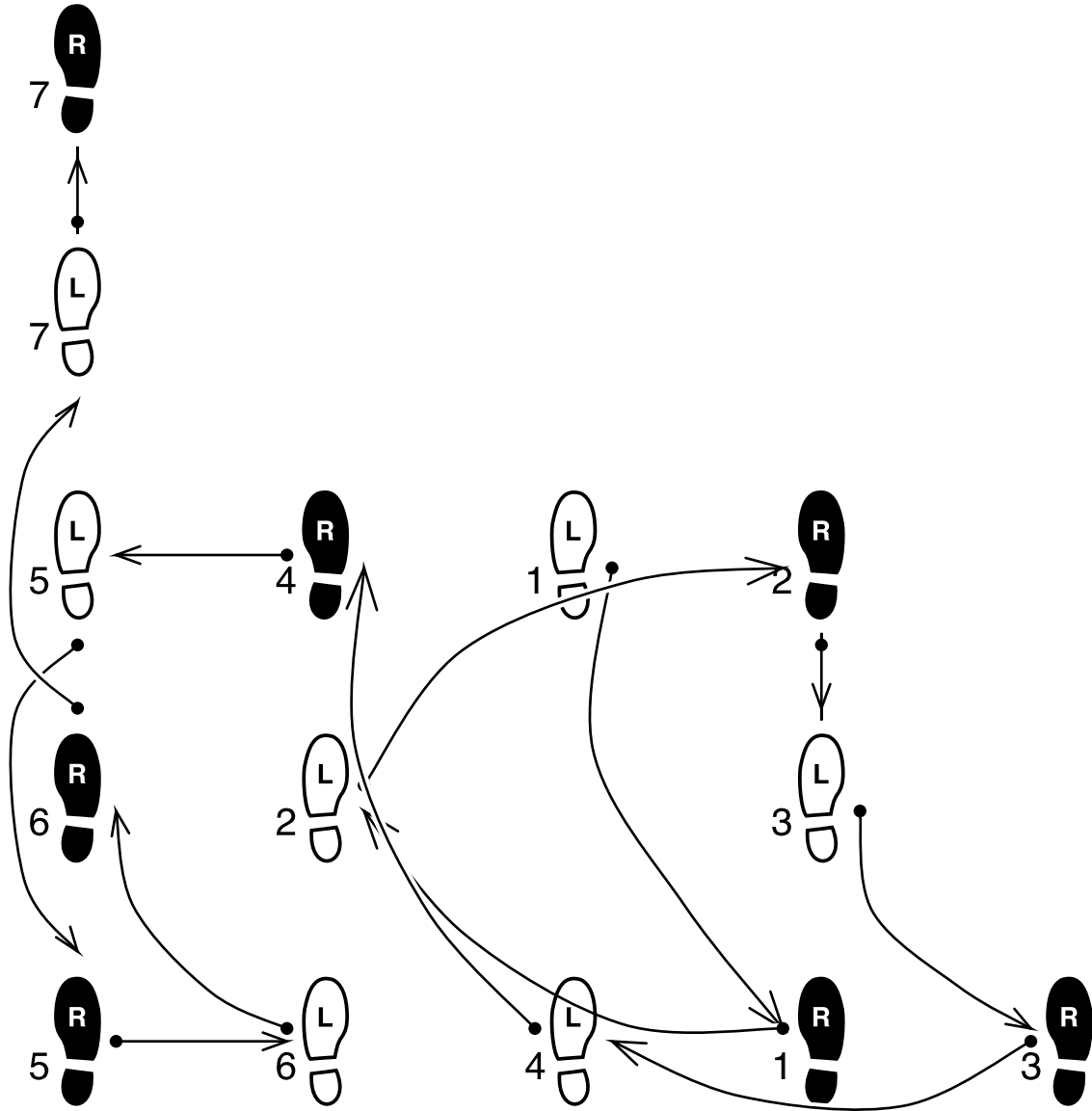
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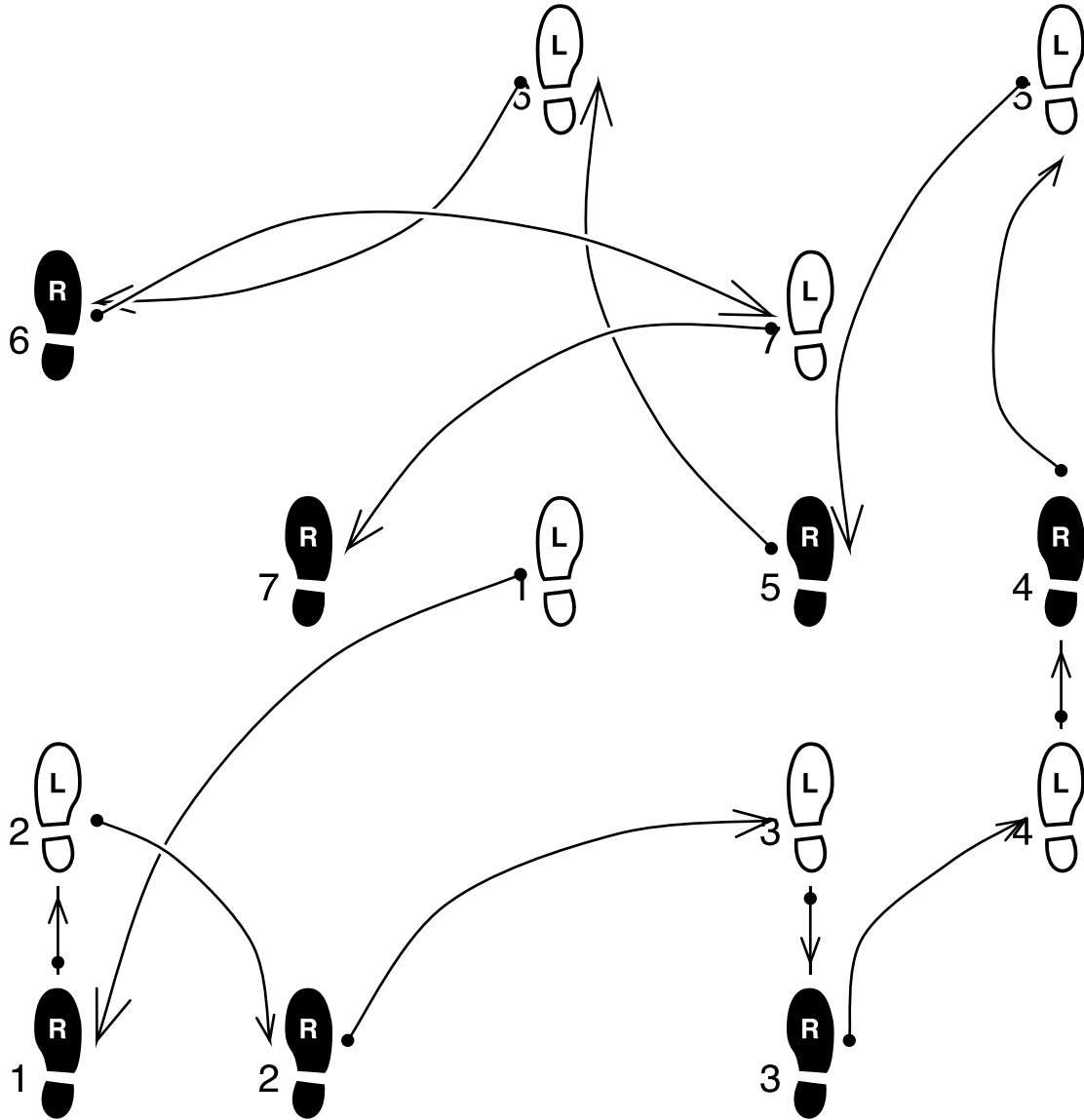
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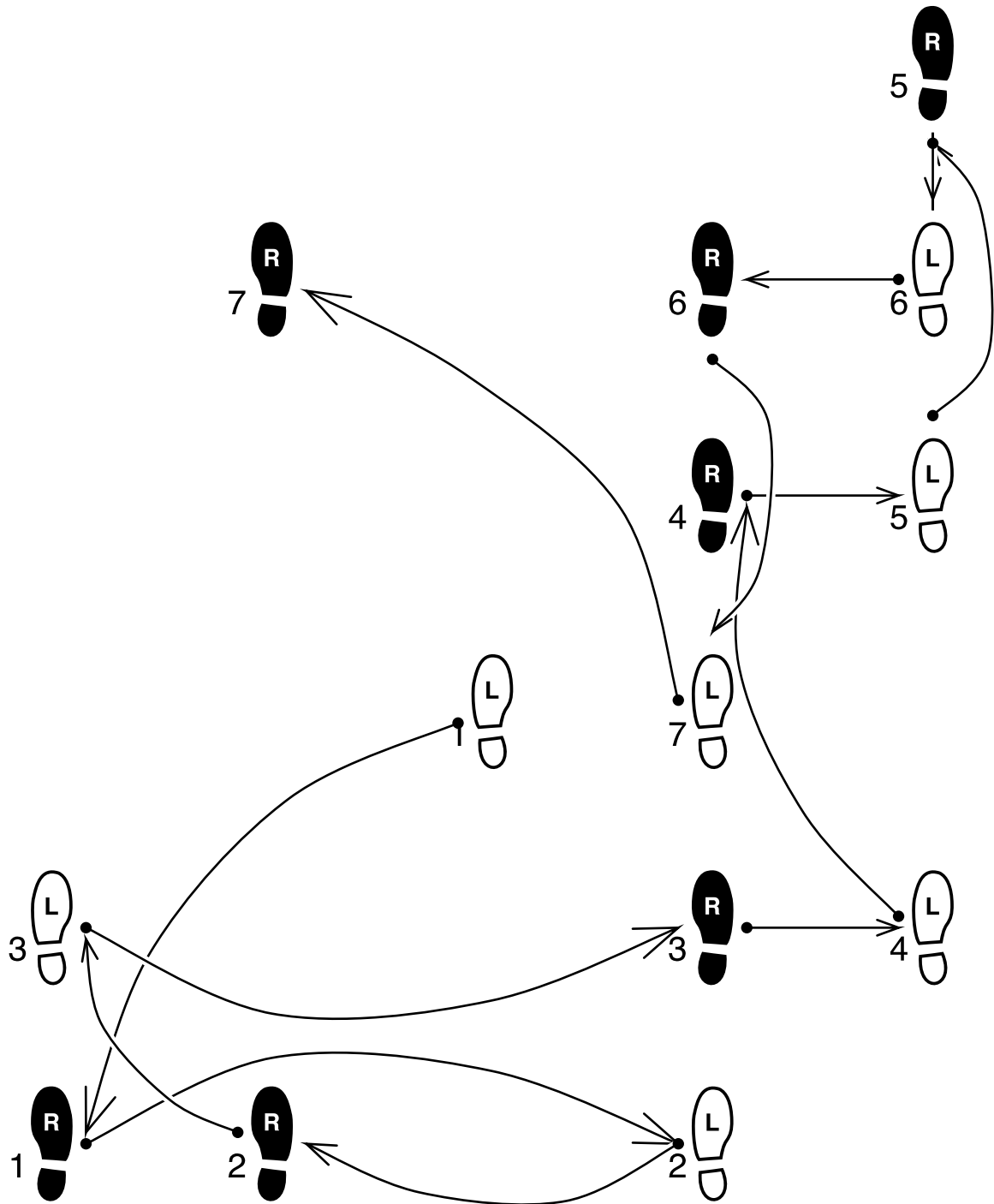
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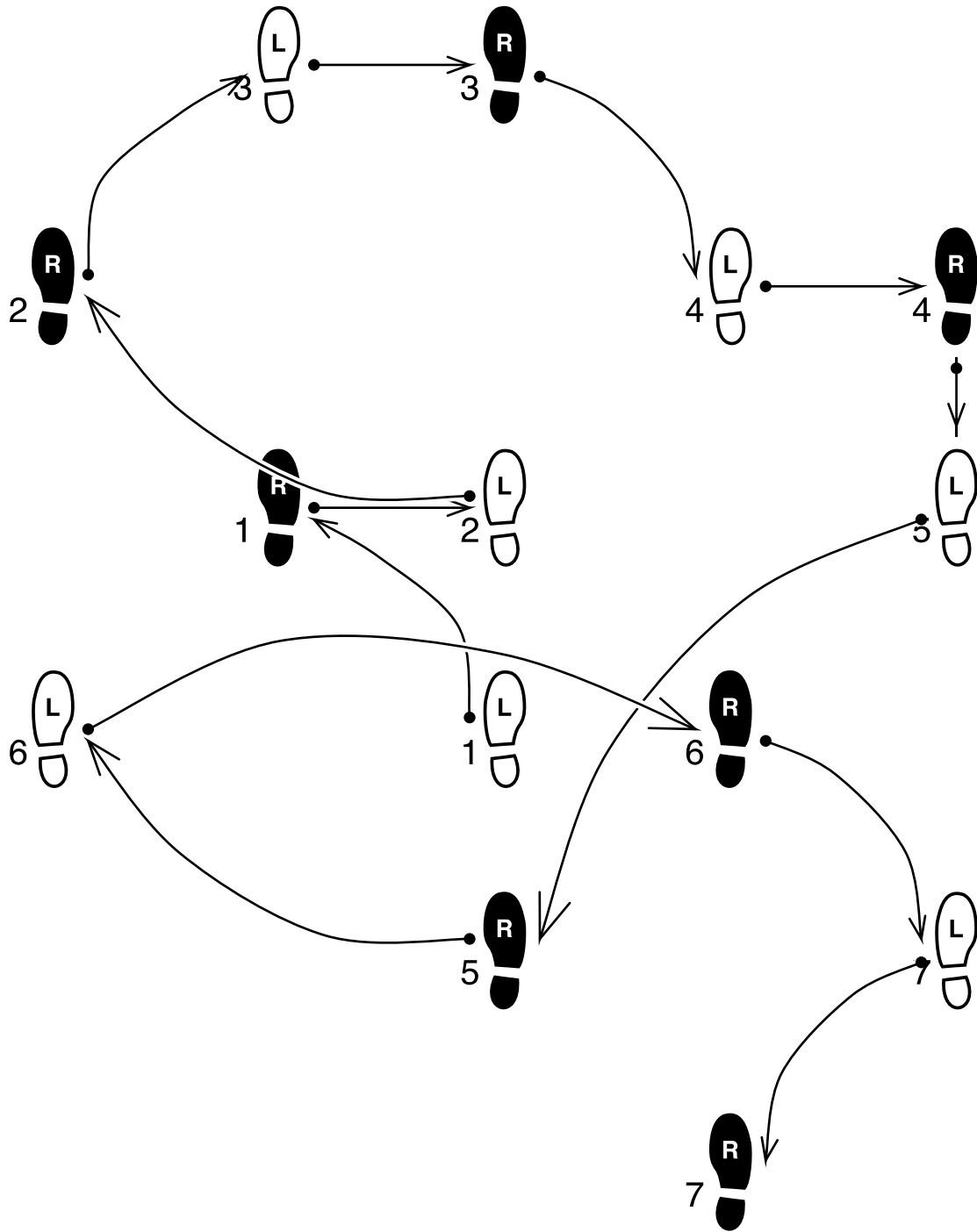
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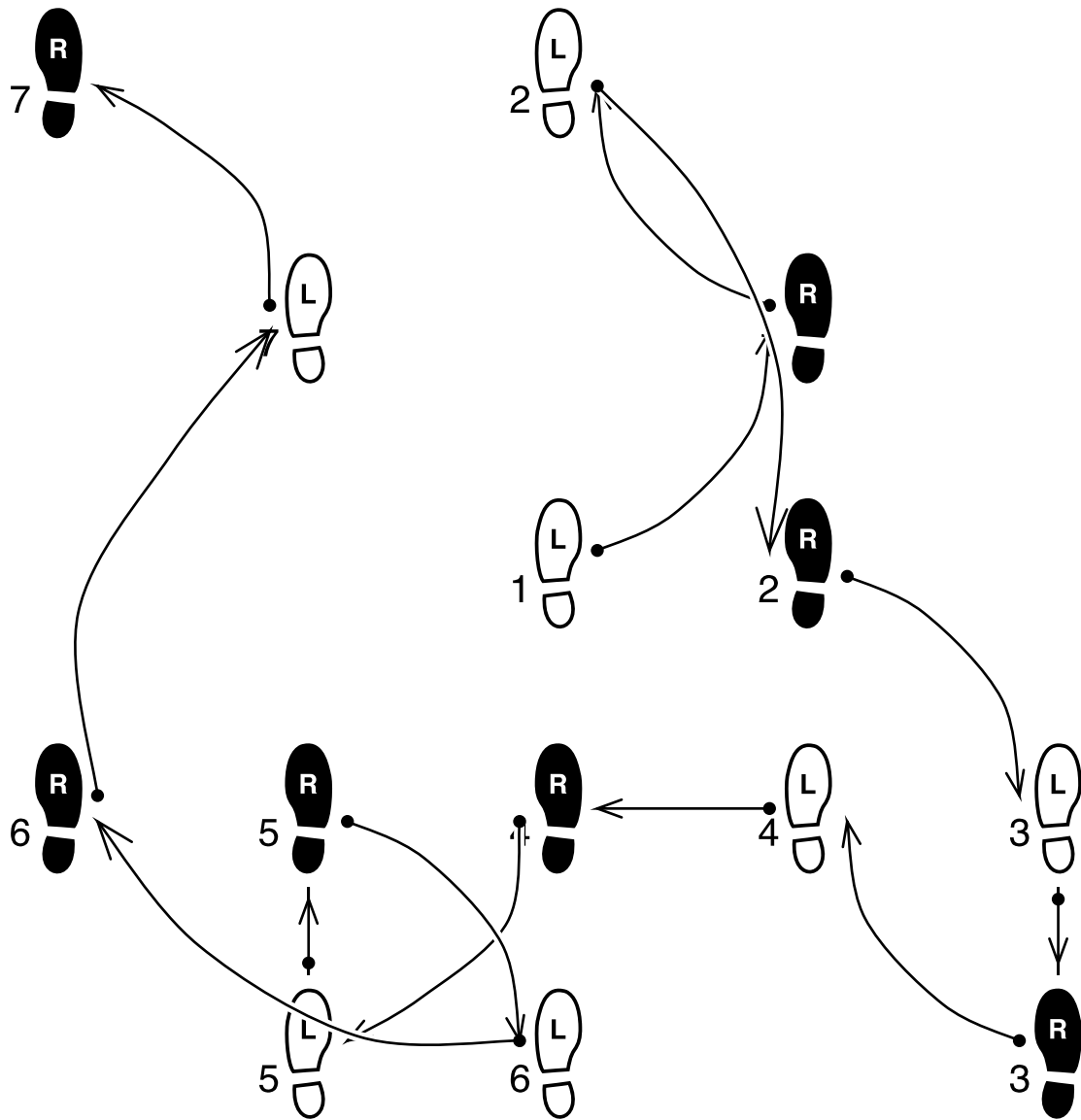
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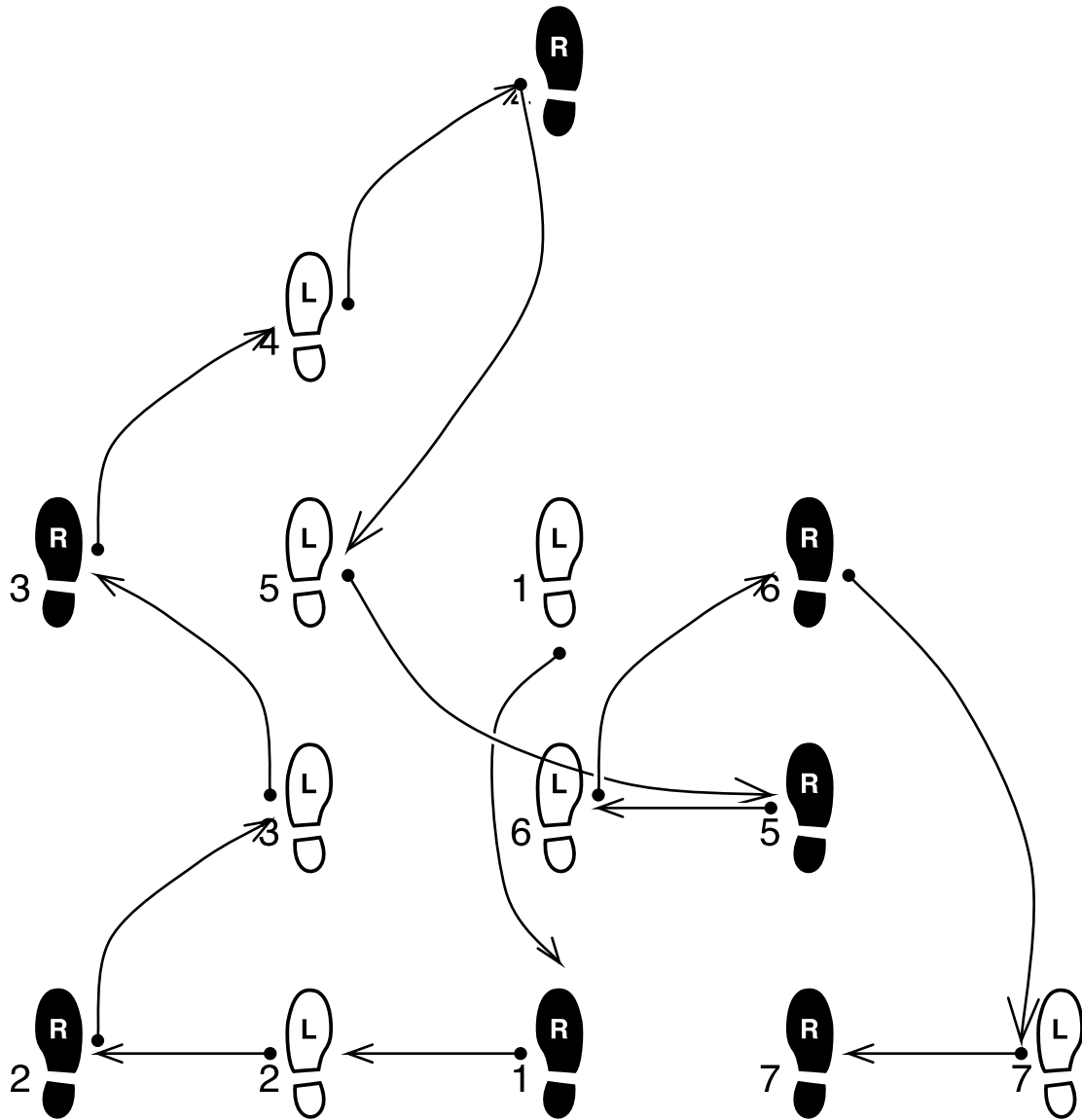
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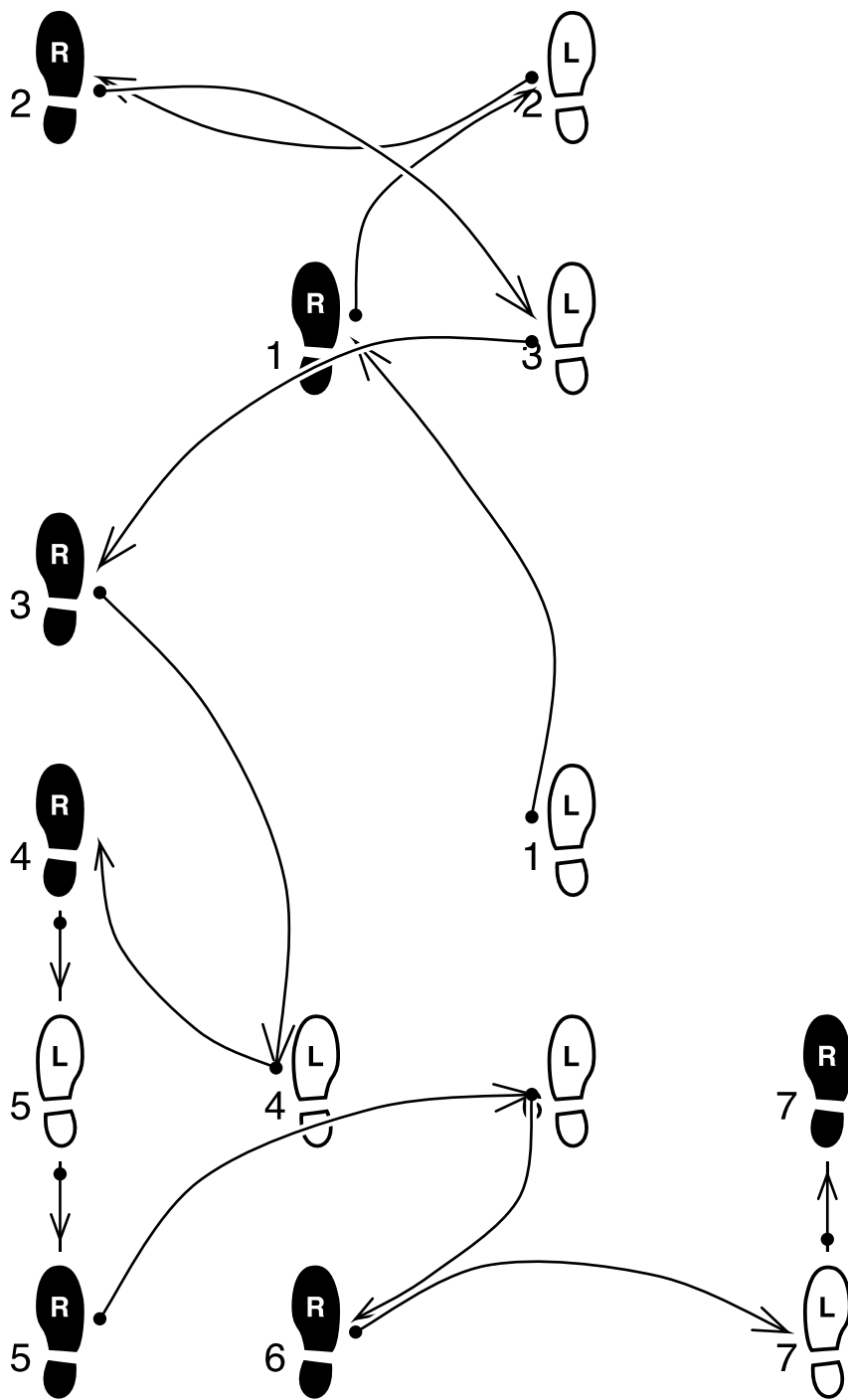
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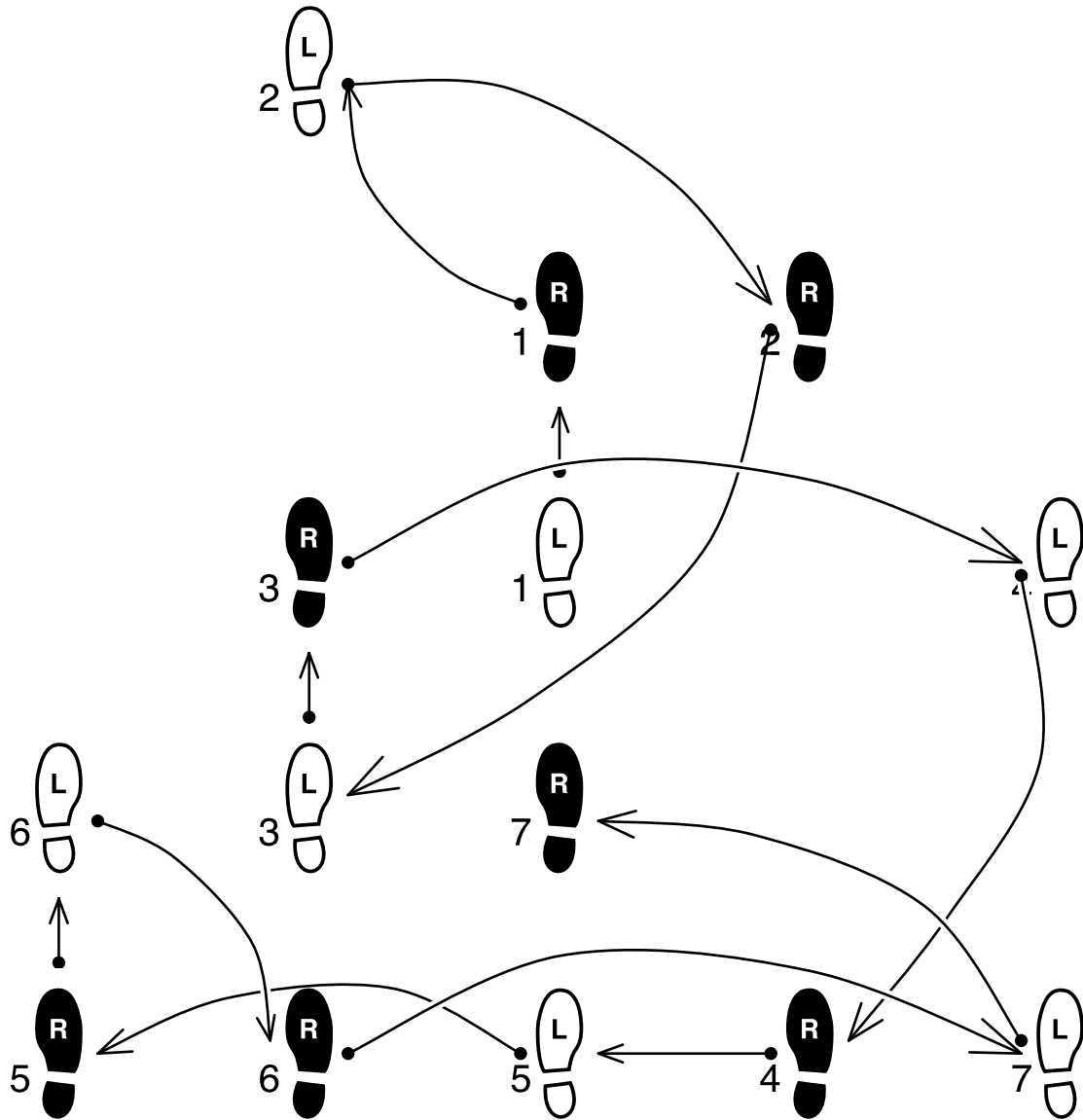
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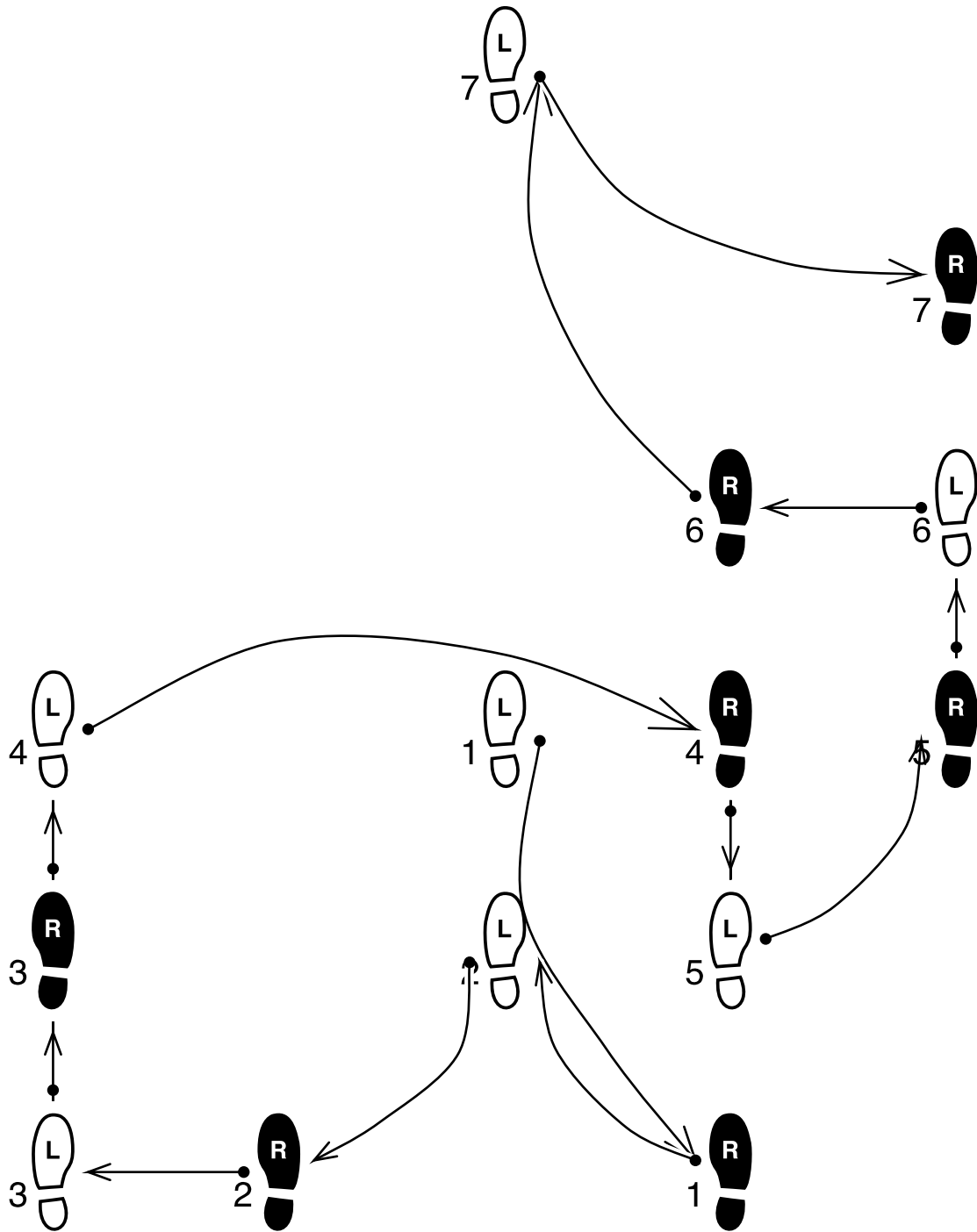
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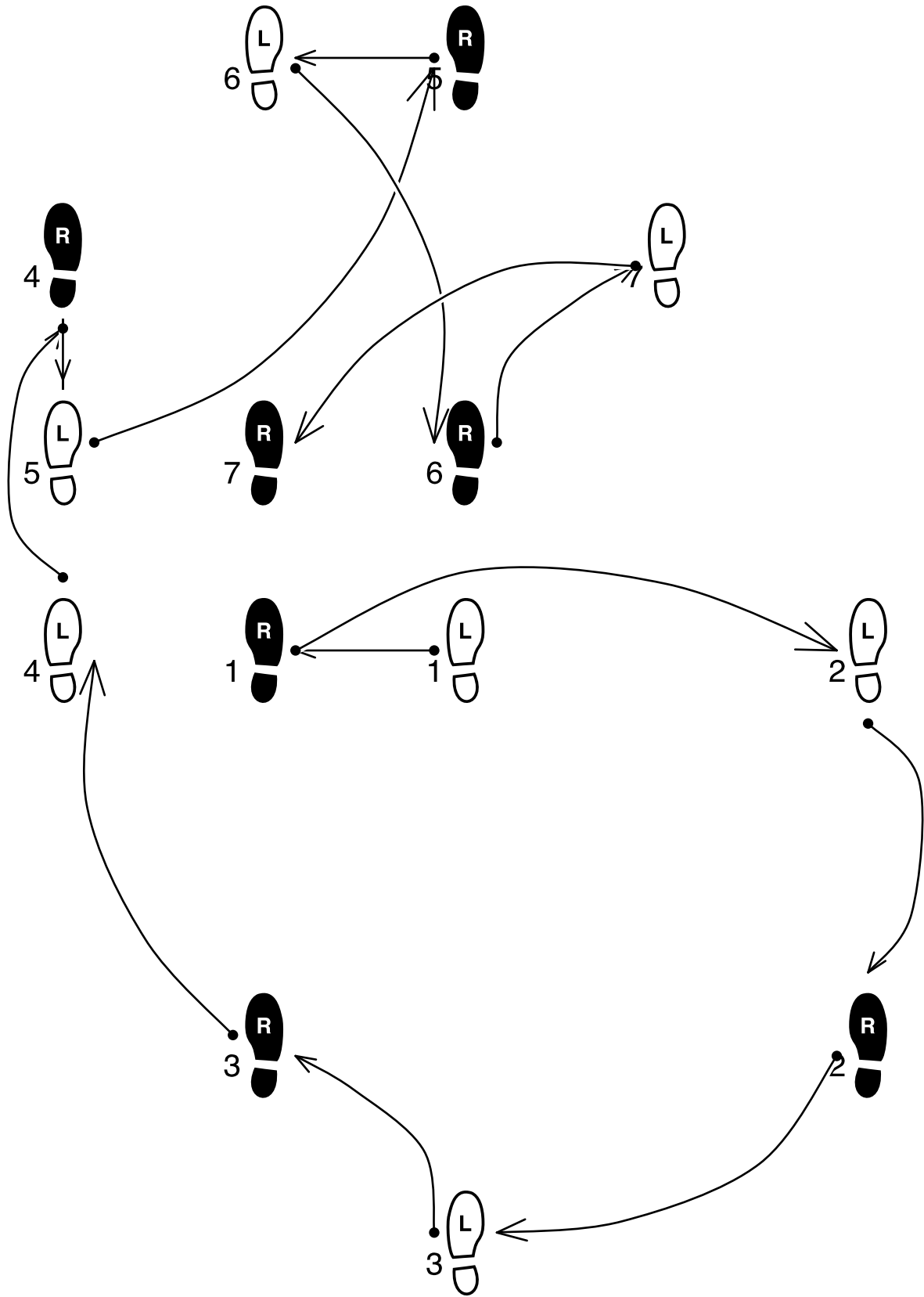
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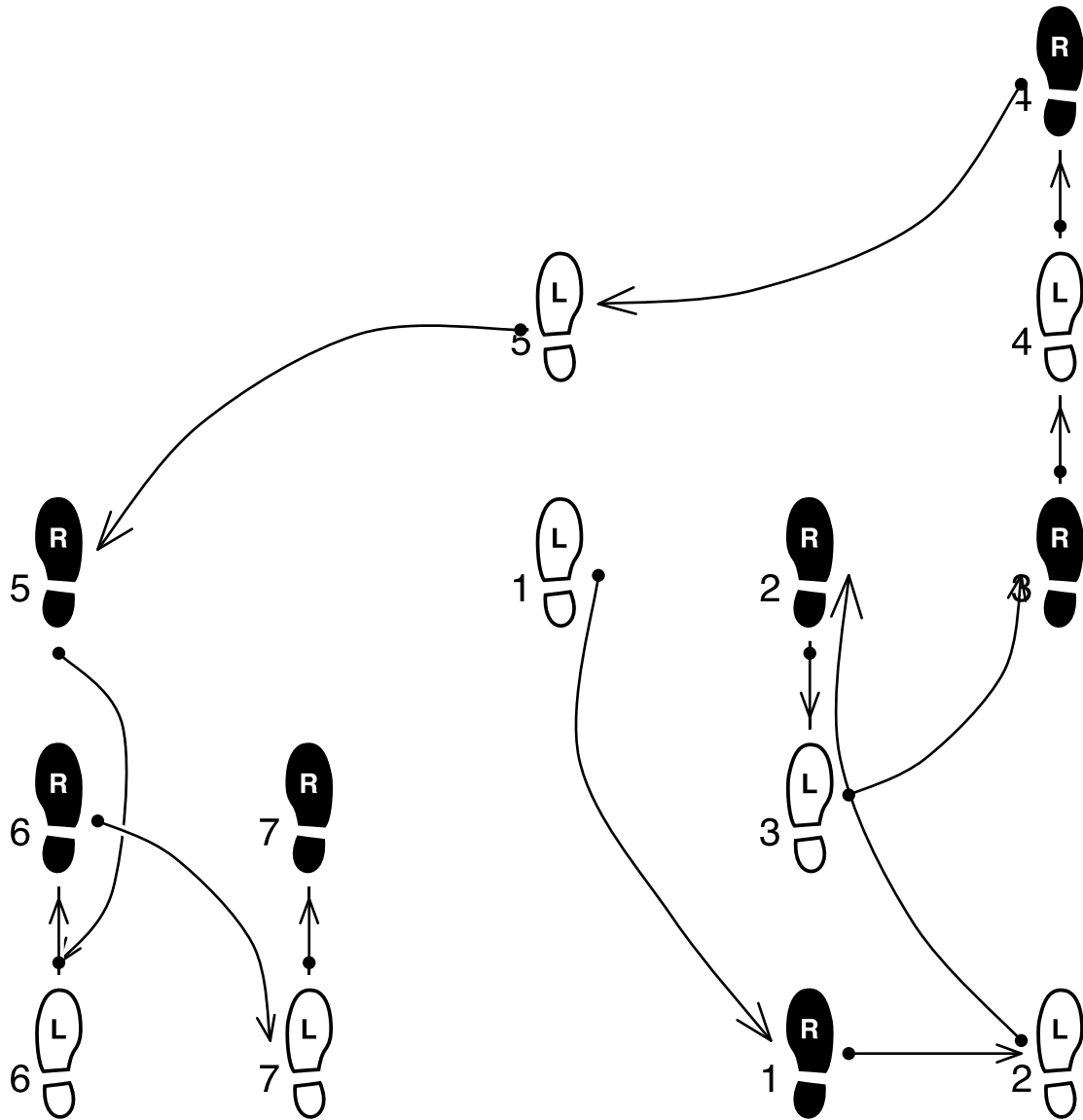
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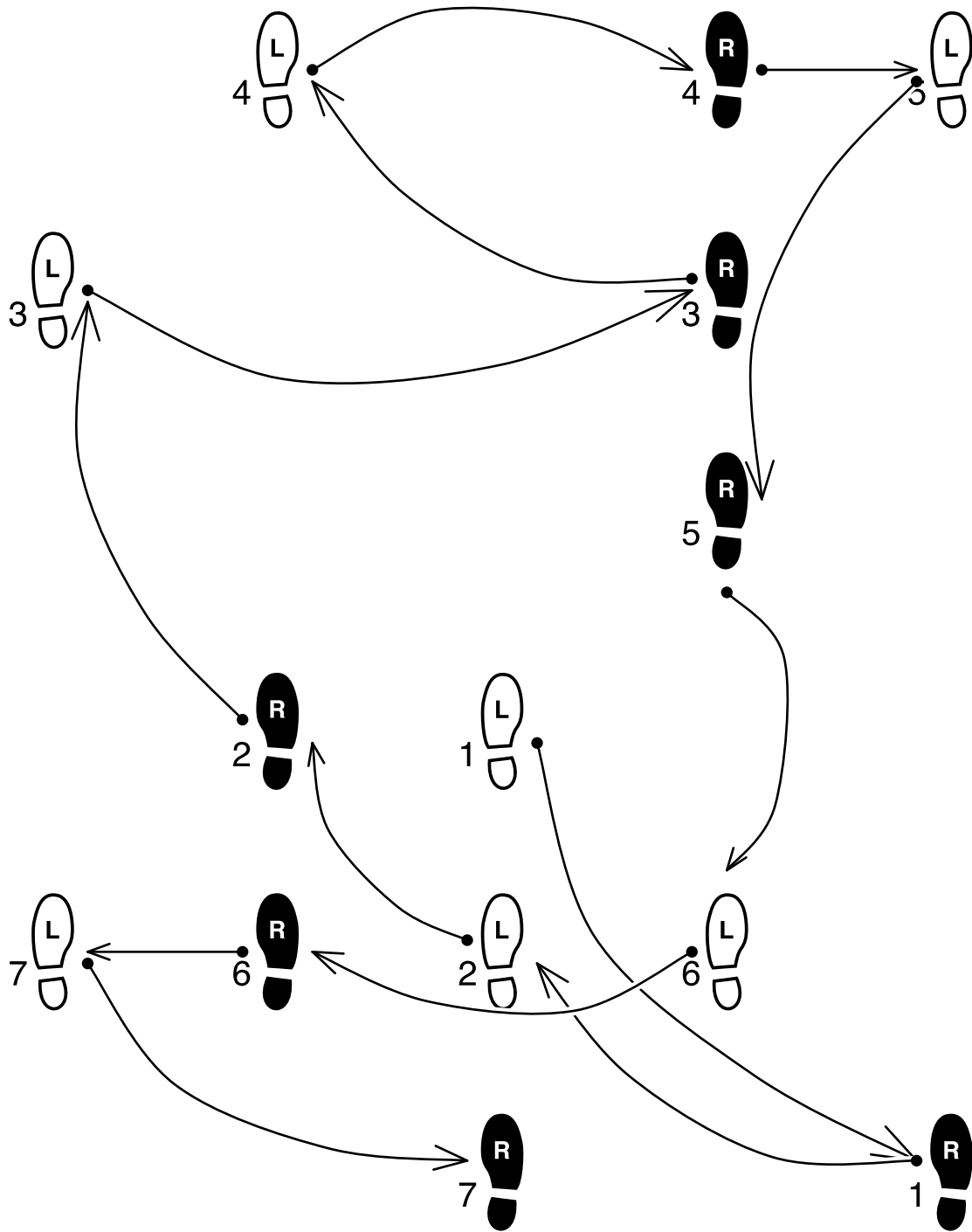
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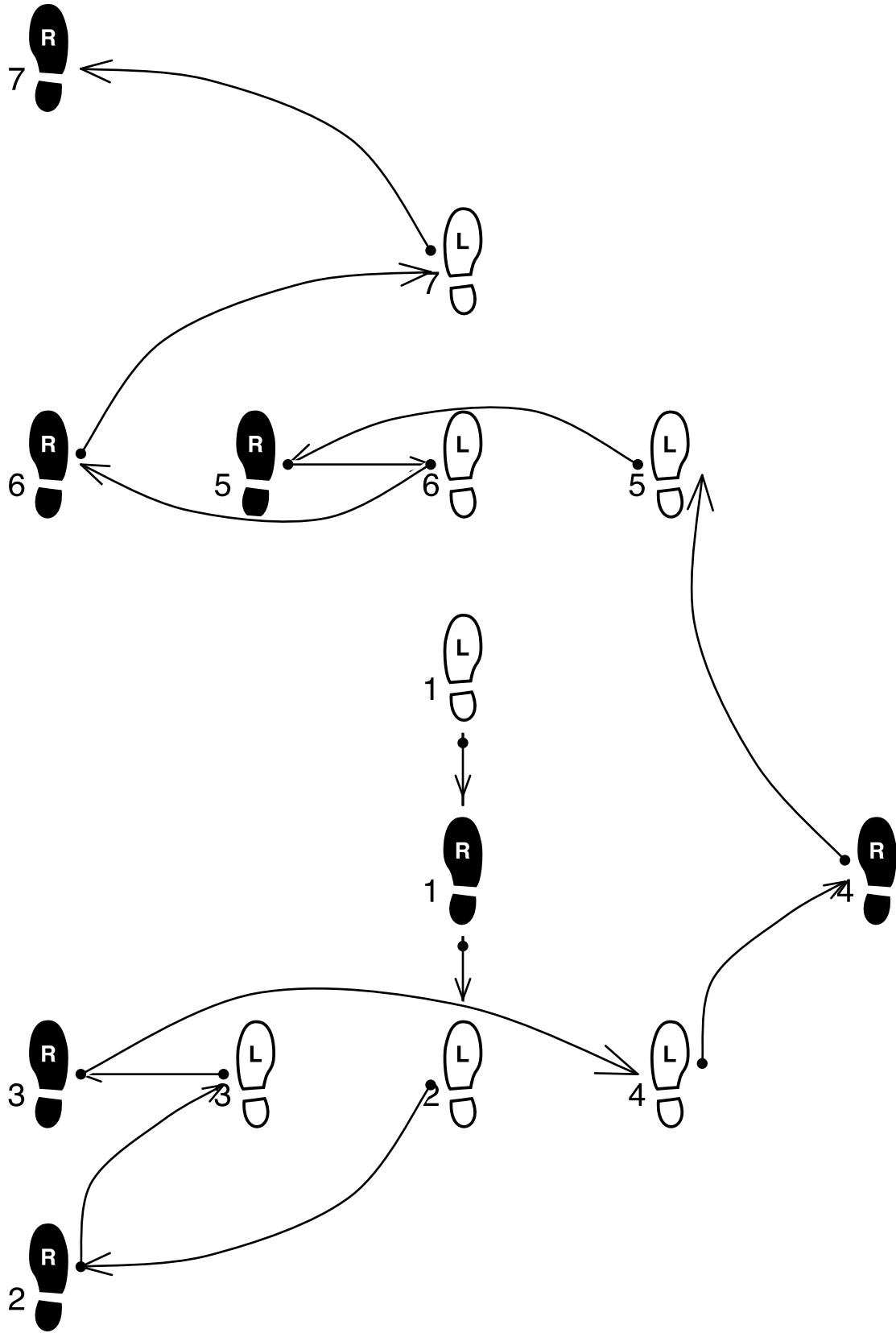
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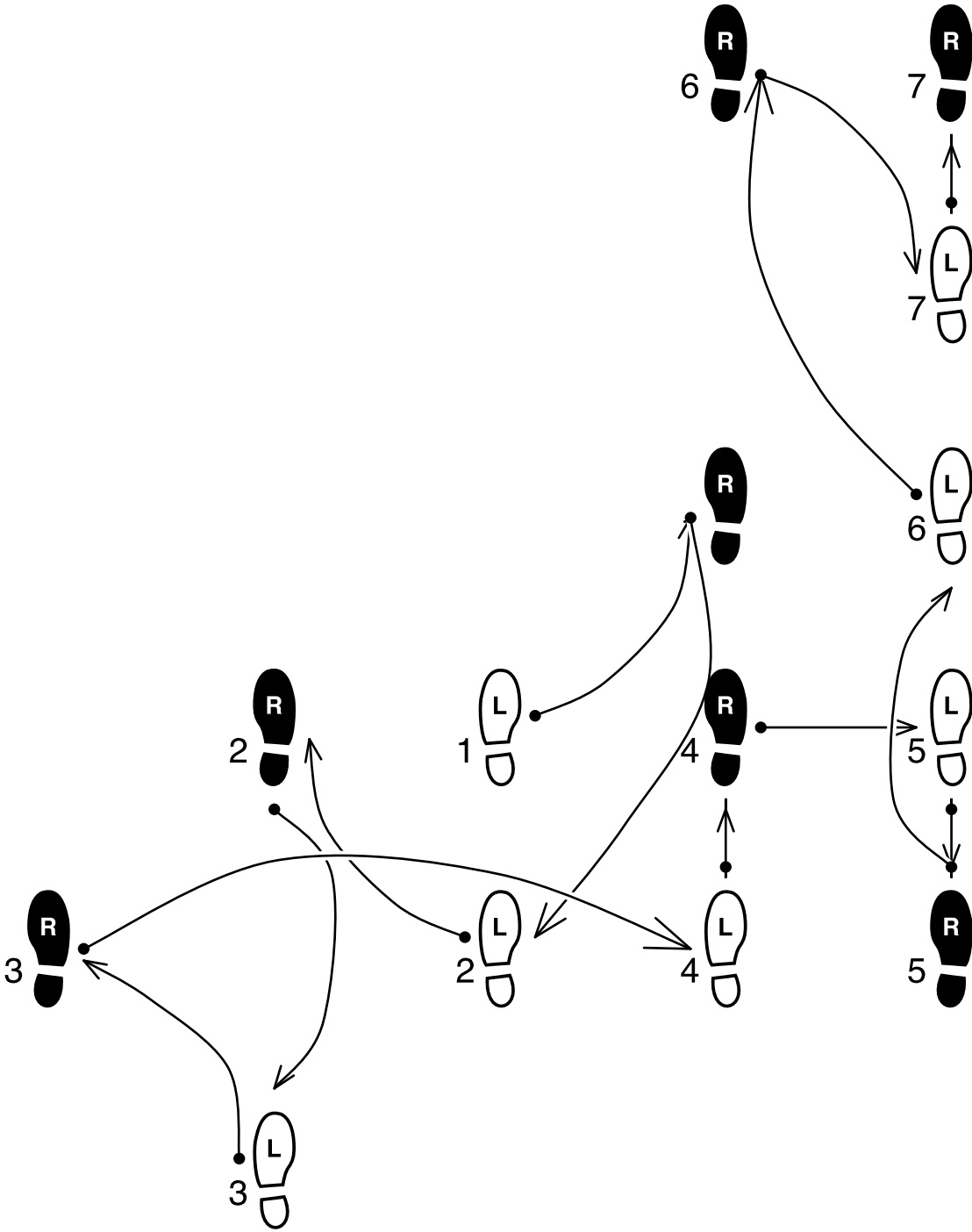
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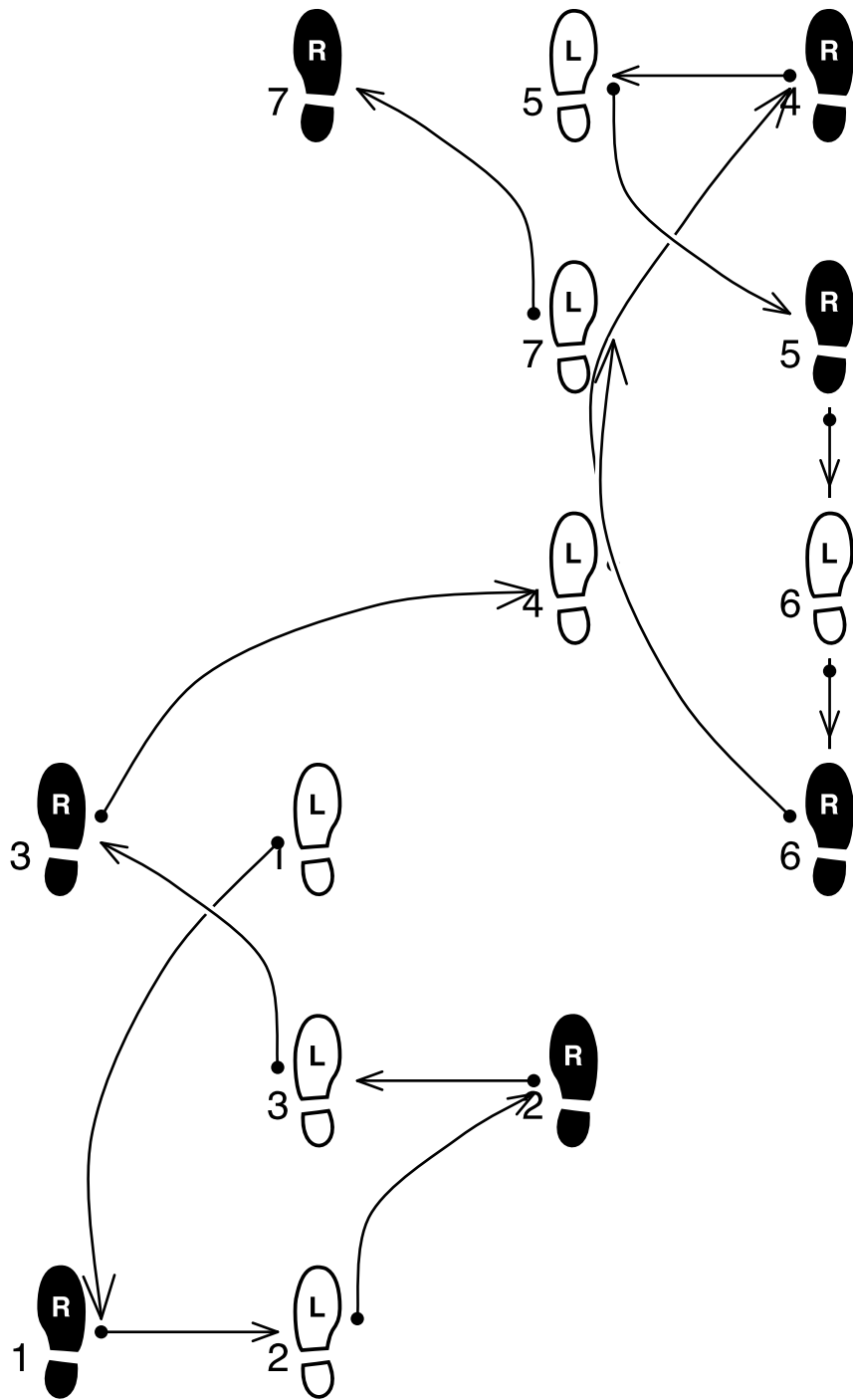
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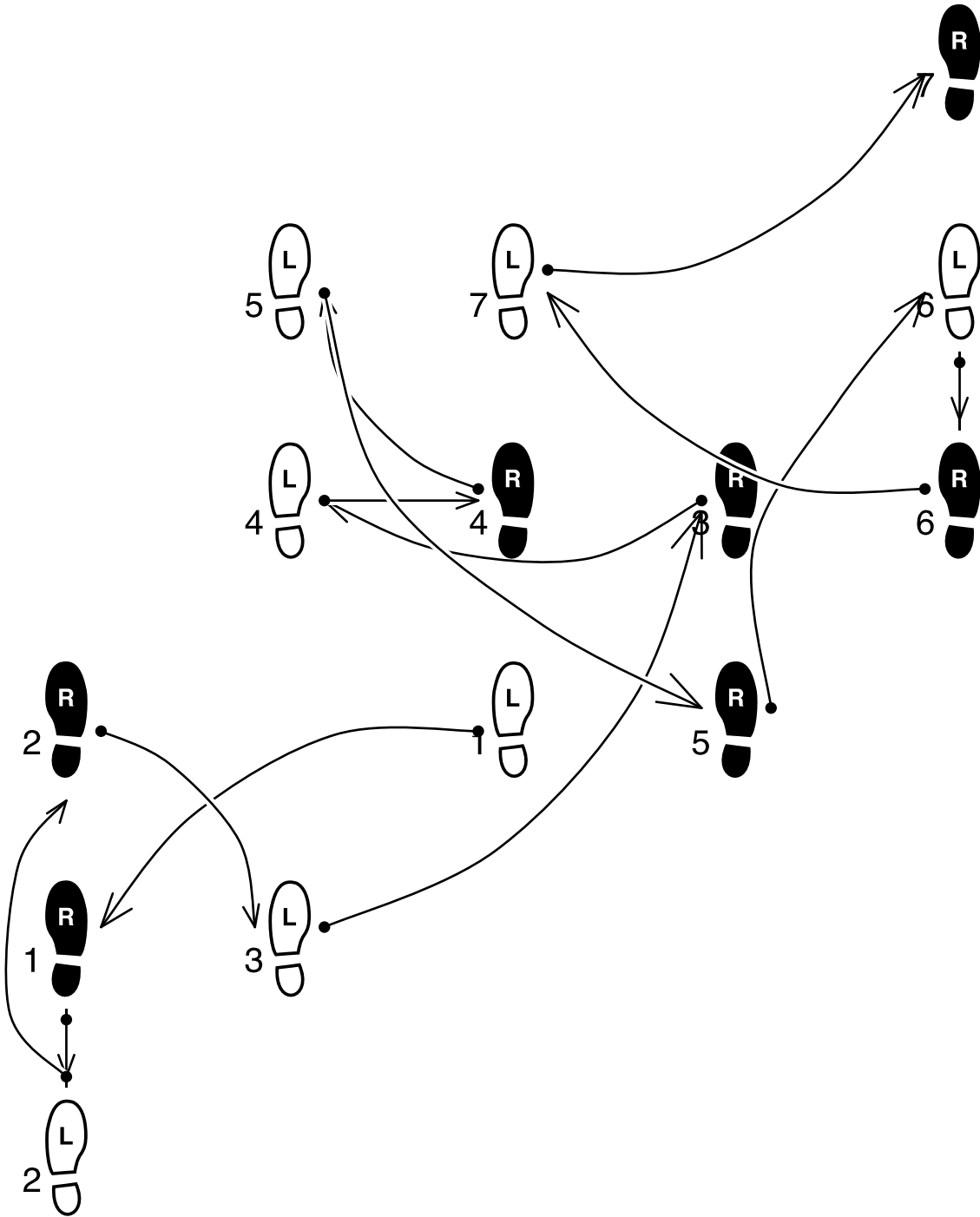
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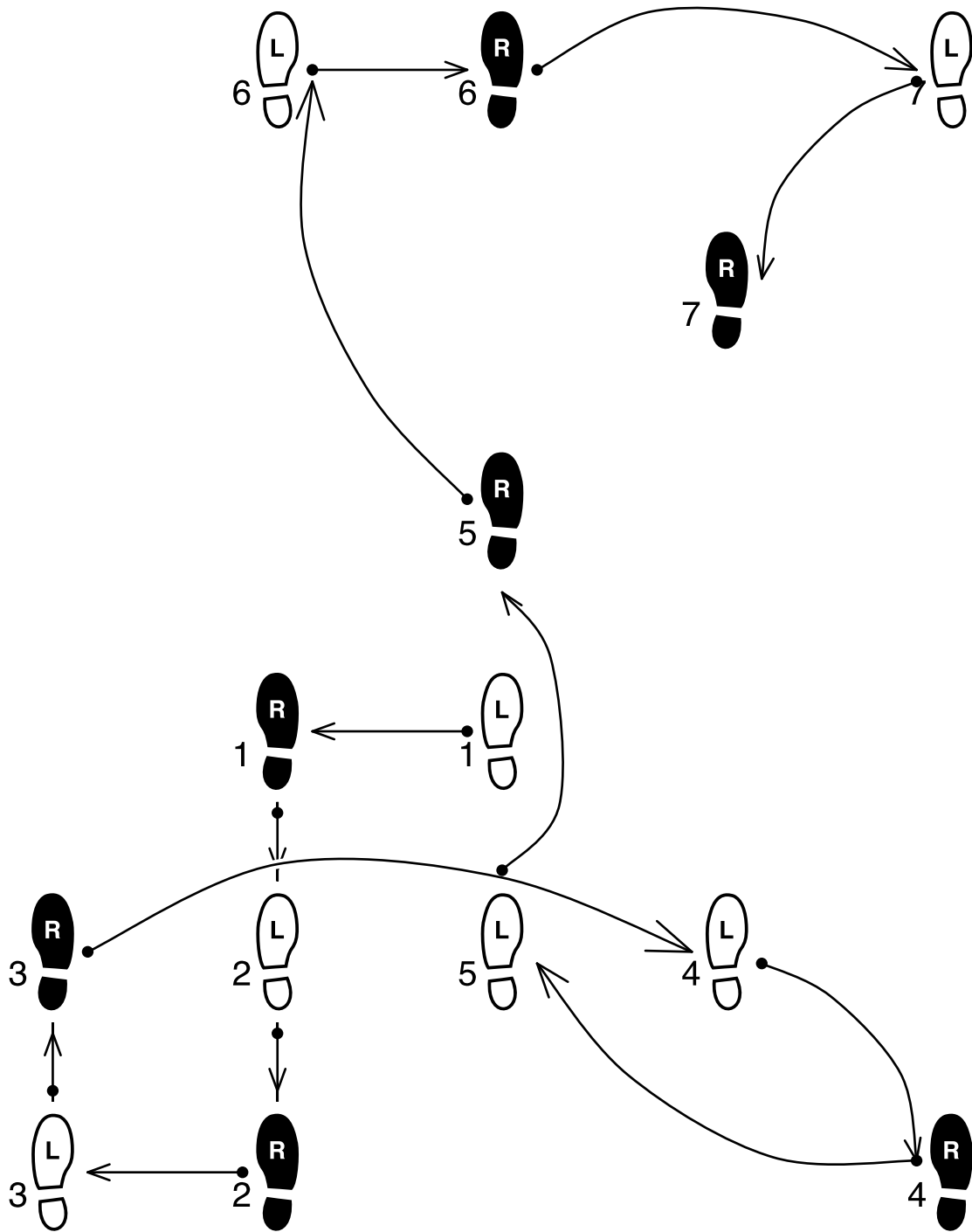
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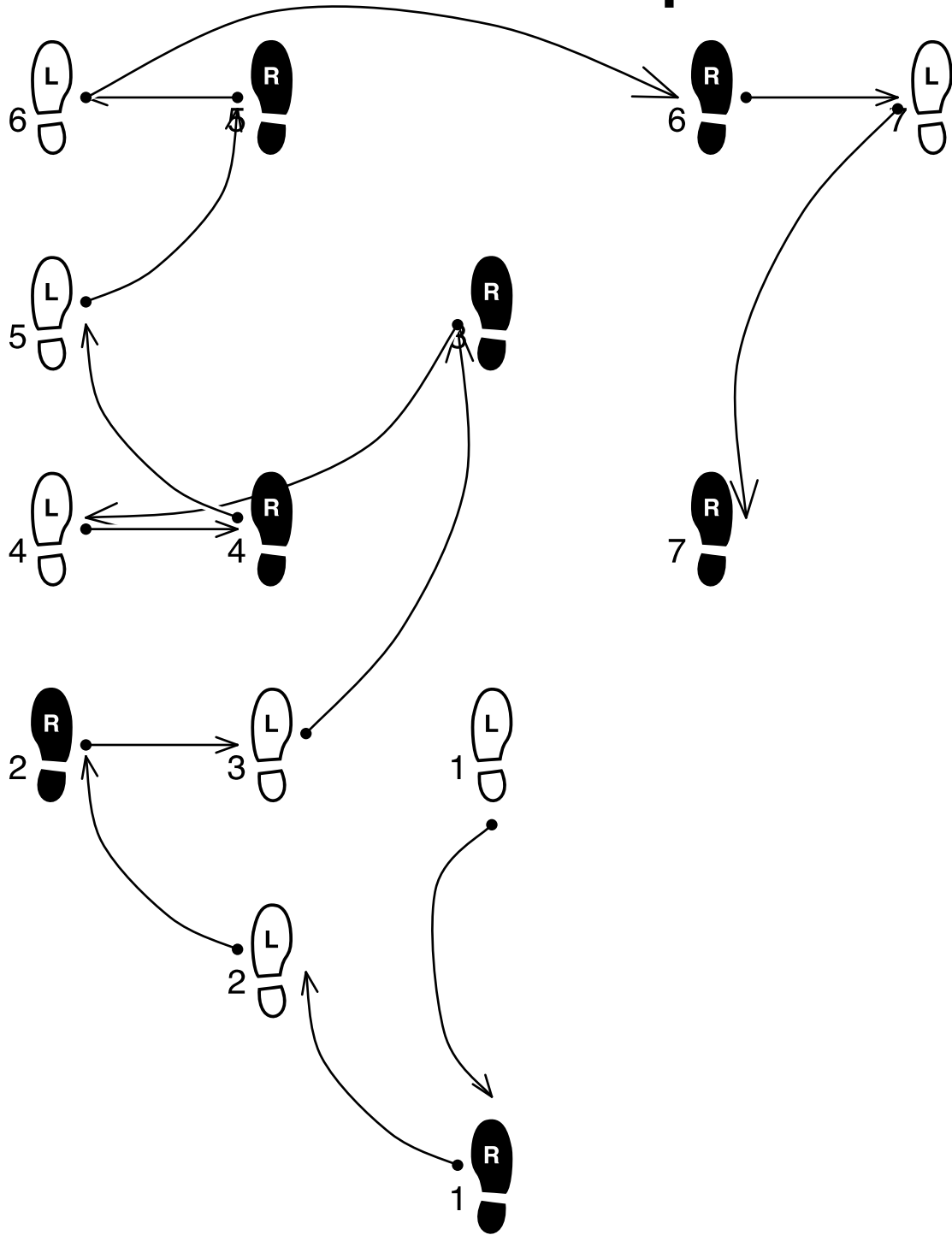
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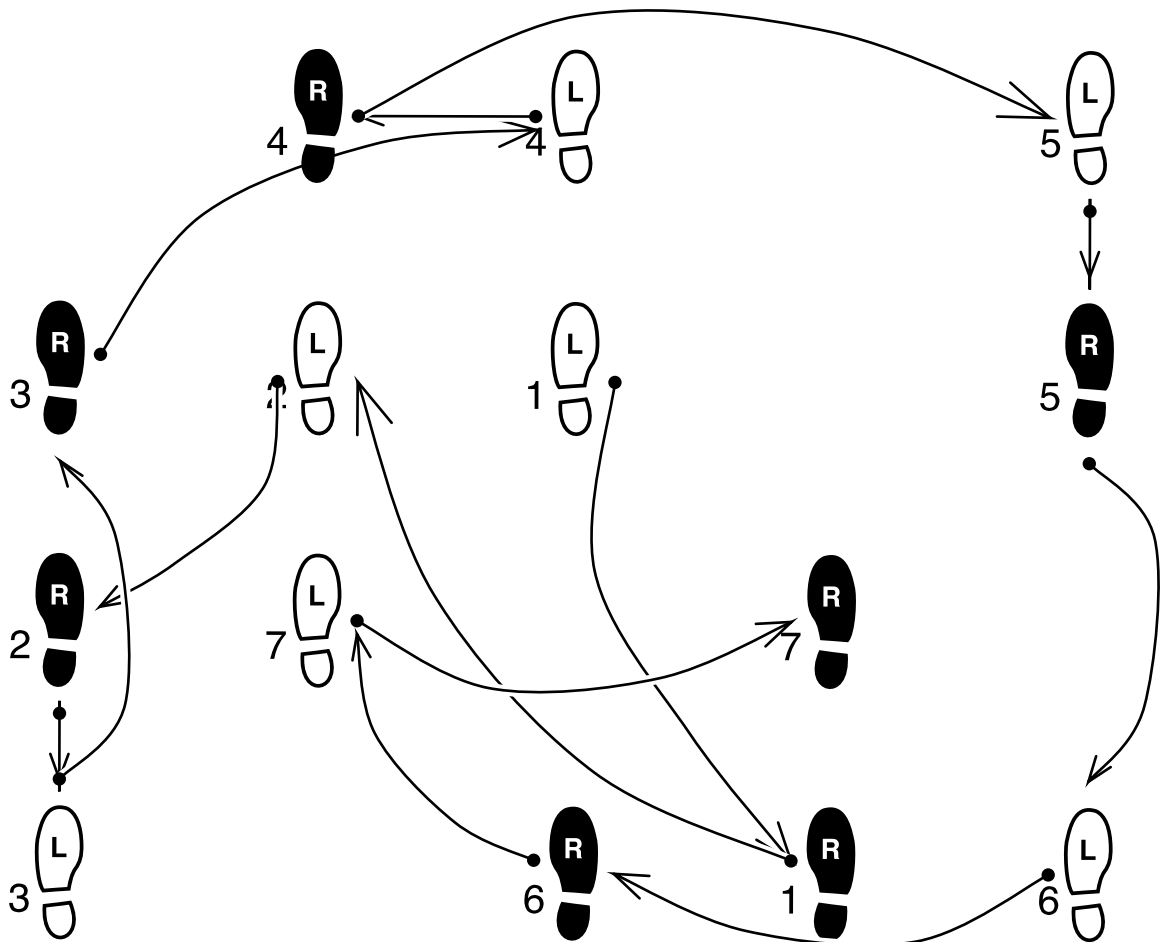
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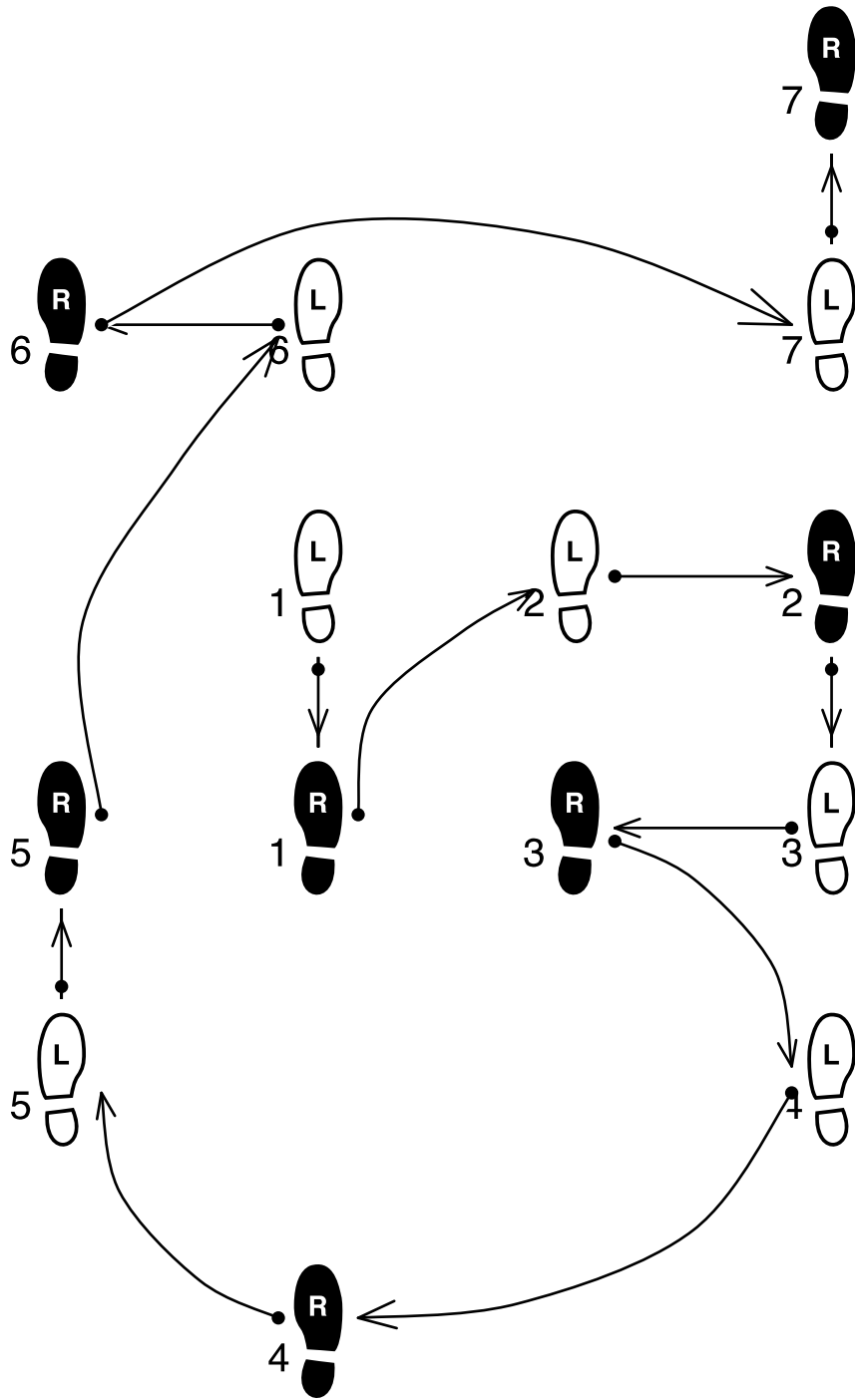
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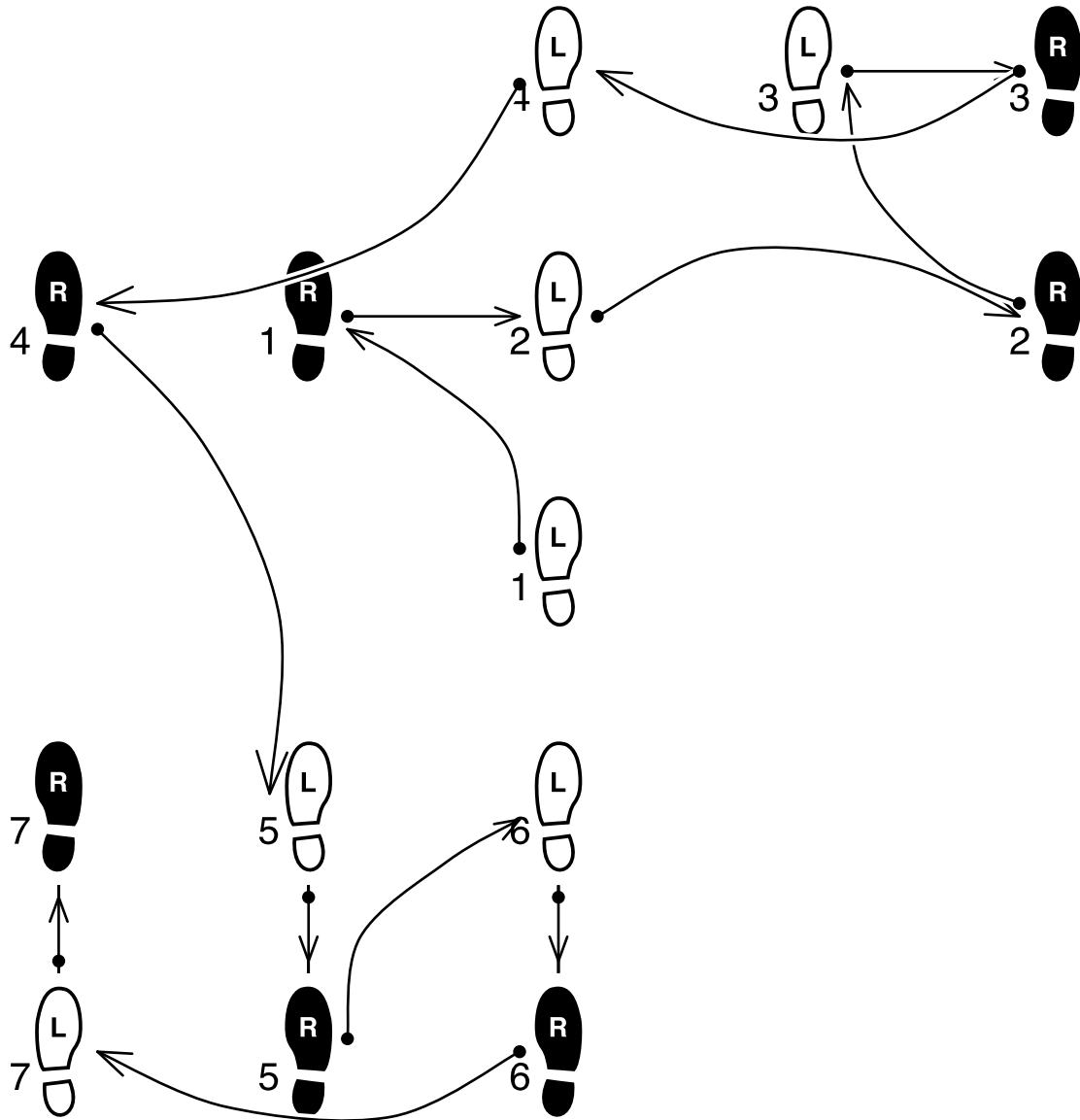
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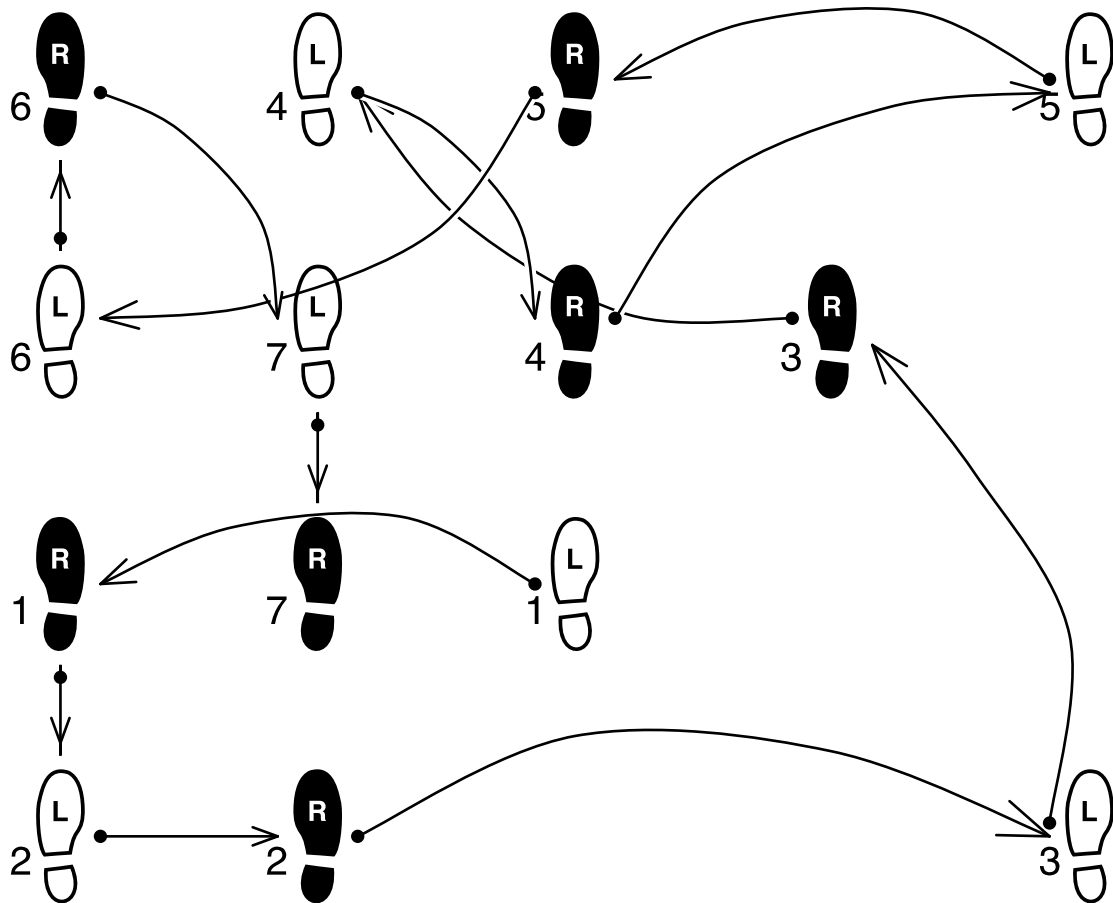
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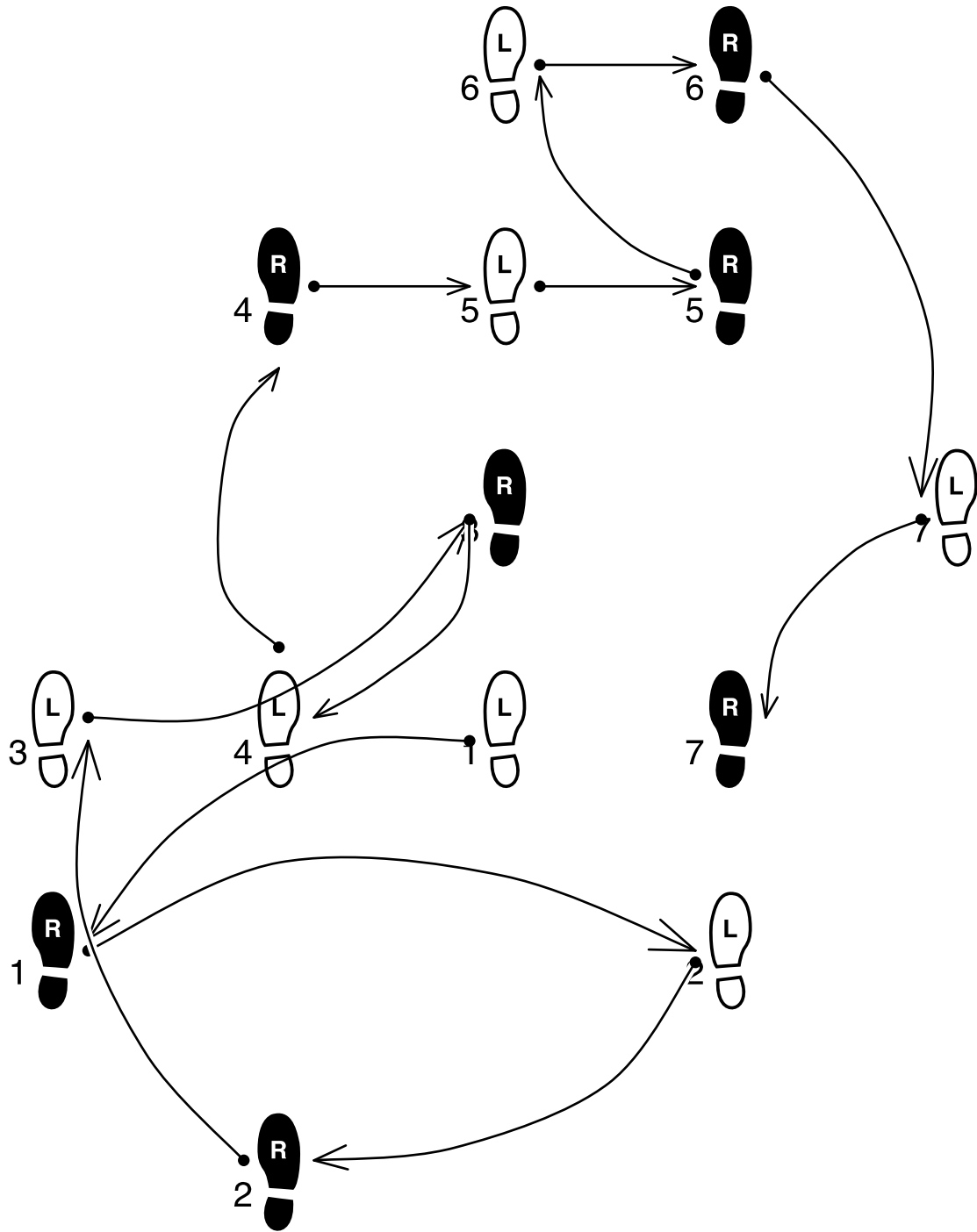
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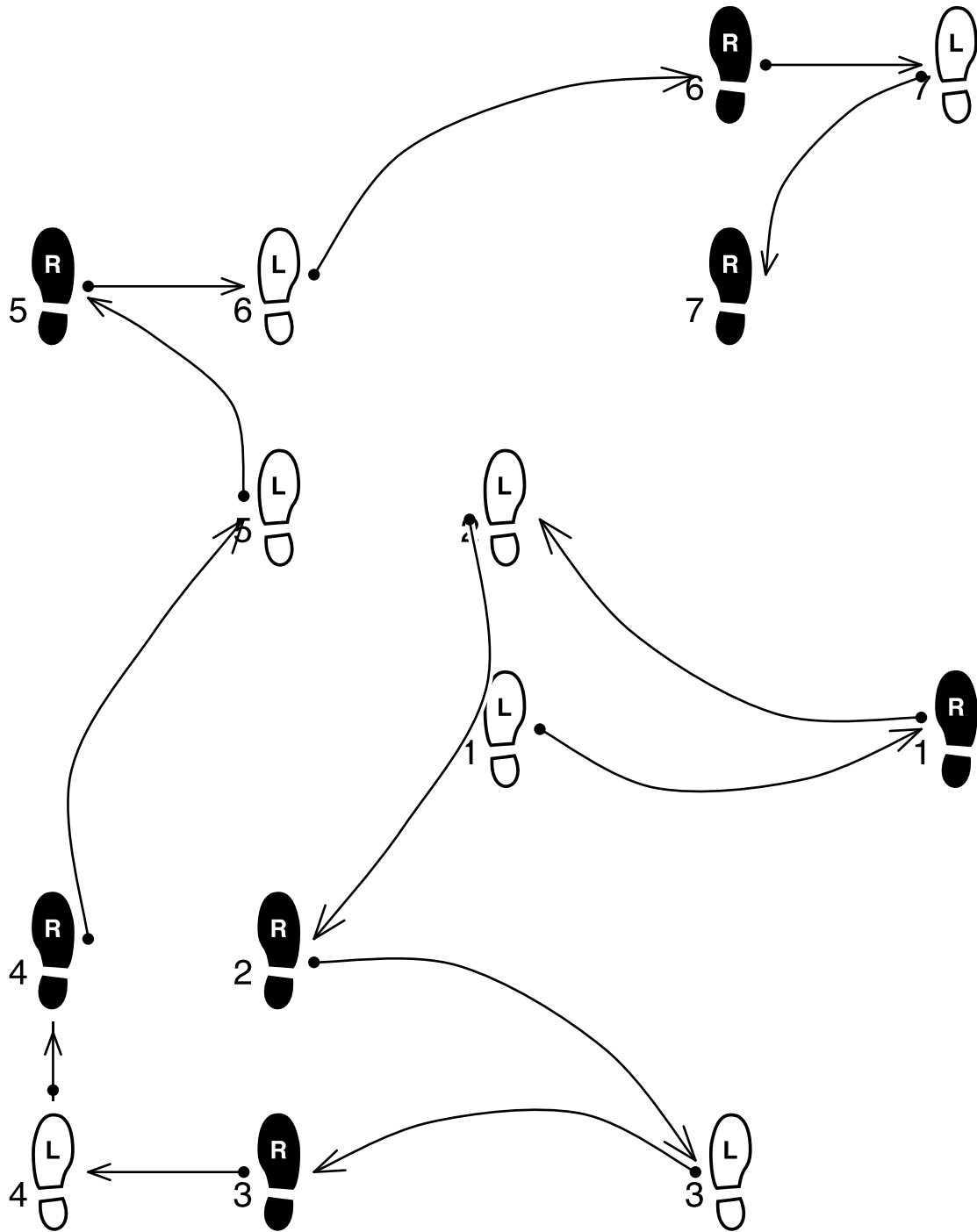
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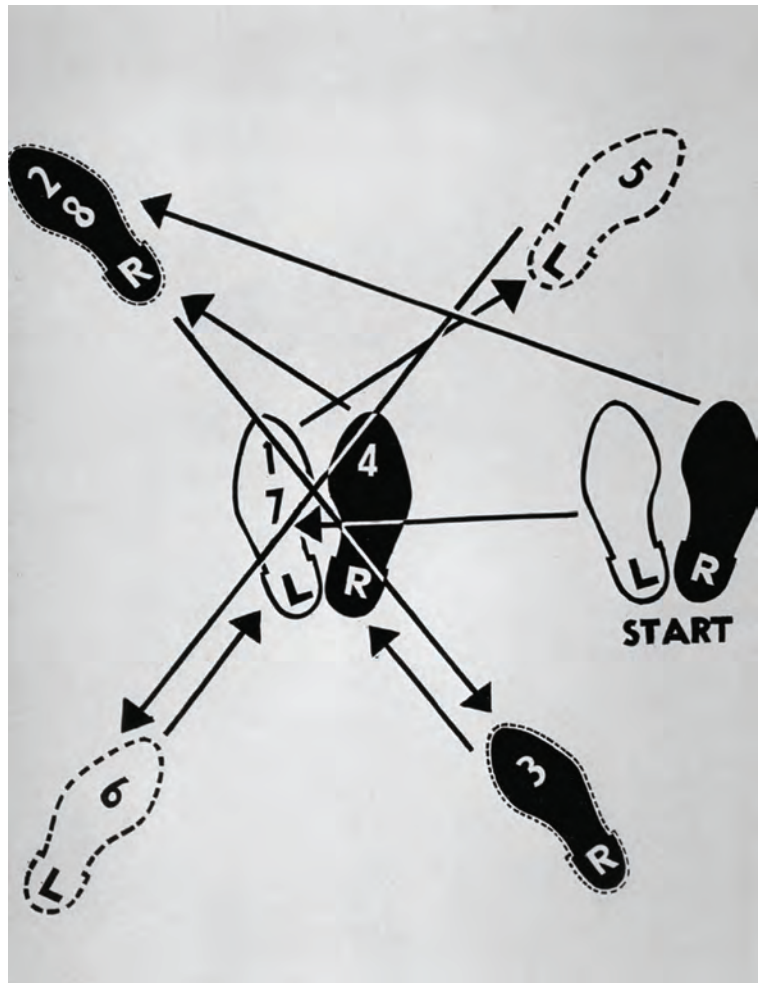
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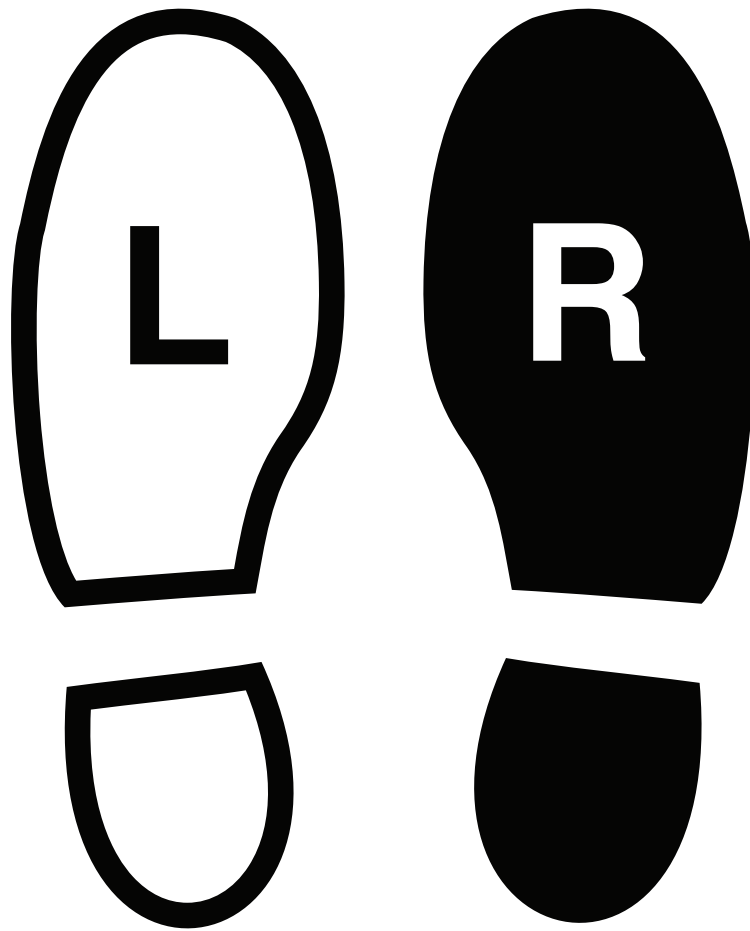


The Lindy Hop
Willa Mae Ricker & Leon James



Andy Warhol
Dance Diagram [2]
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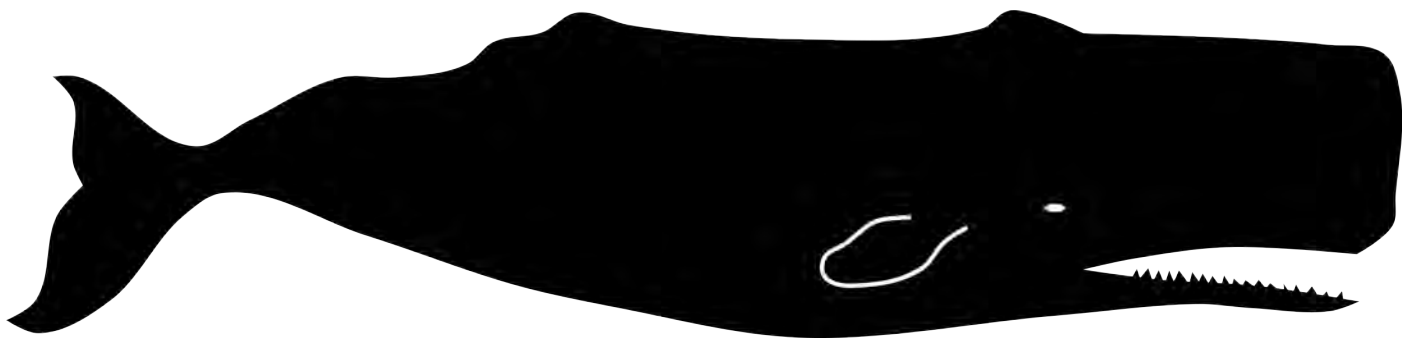
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