

Abstract Cryptography

and secure MPC

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Levels of abstraction:

1. Abstract group: $\langle G, \star, e, \hat{\ } \rangle$
2. Instantiations: Integers, real number, elliptic curves
3. Representations: e.g. projective coordinates for ECs

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What is the abstraction of:

- cryptosystem ?
- digital signature scheme ?
- MPC protocol ?
- zero-knowledge proof ?
- algorithm, distinguisher, hybrid argument, ...?

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Goals of abstraction:

- eliminate irrelevant details, minimality
- simpler definitions
- generality of results
- simpler proofs
- elegance
- didactic suitability, understanding

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$$(X, U_s) \xrightarrow{\text{ext}} U_m$$

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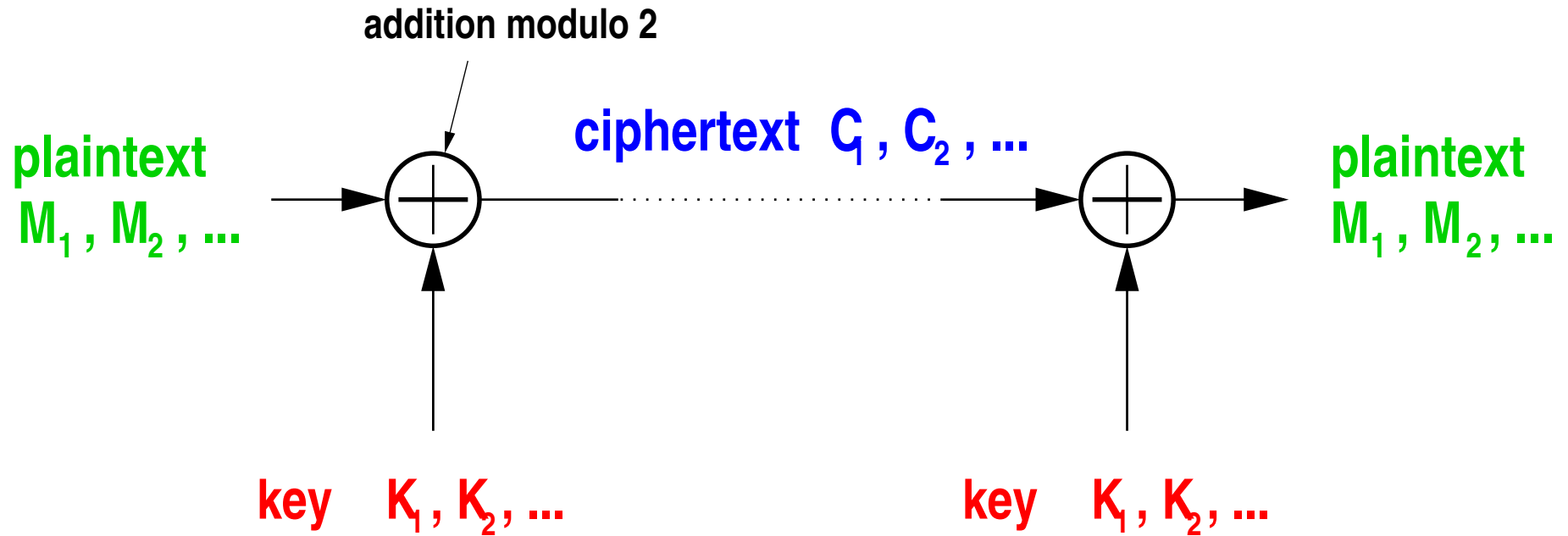
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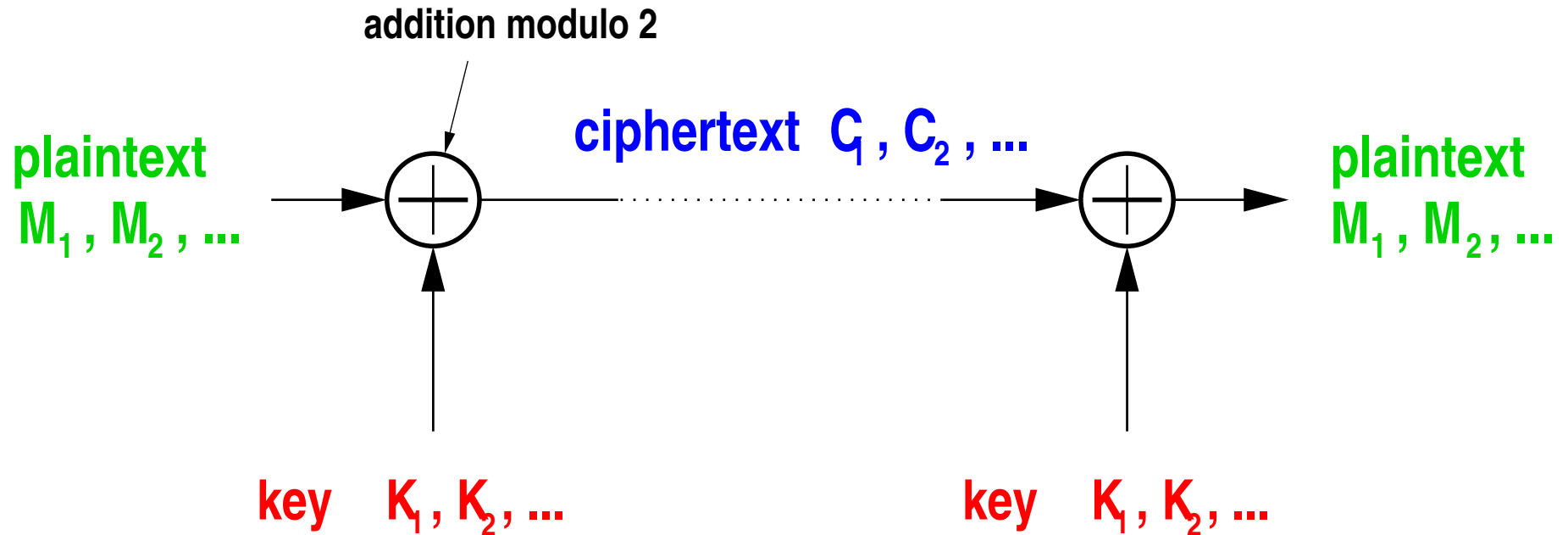
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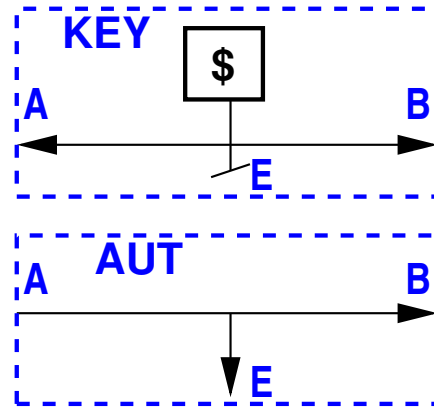


Perfect secrecy (Shannon):

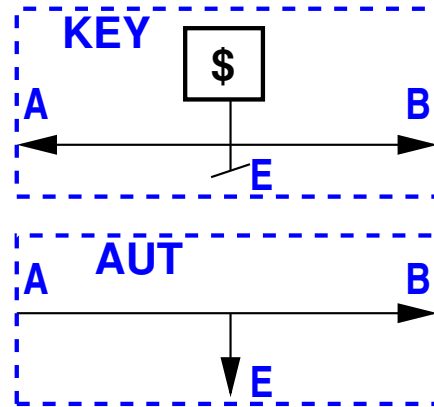
C and **M** are statistically independent.

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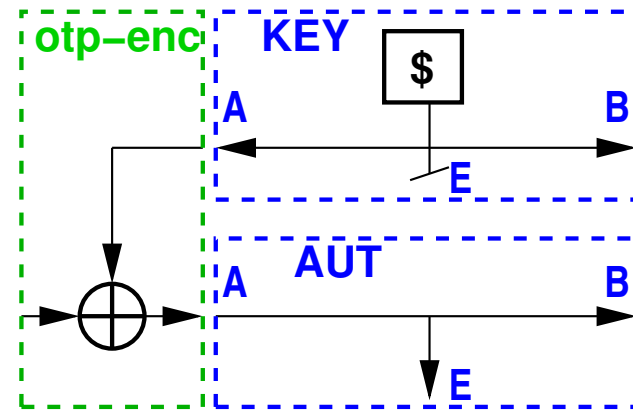


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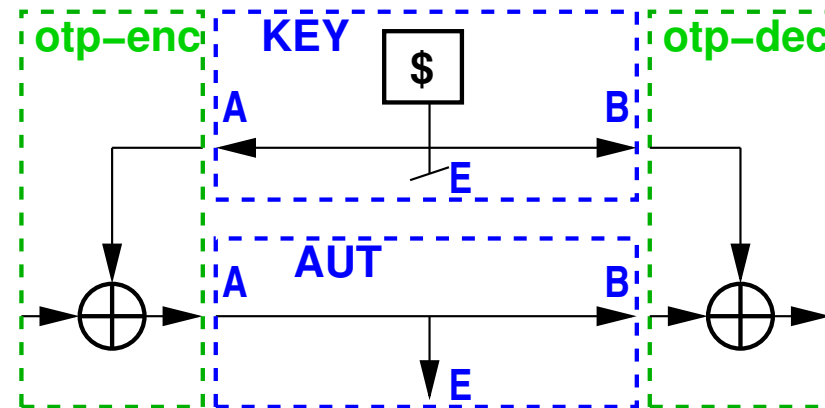
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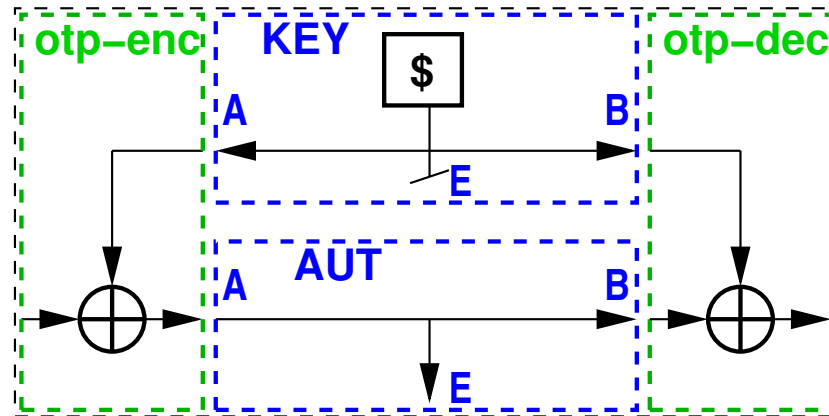
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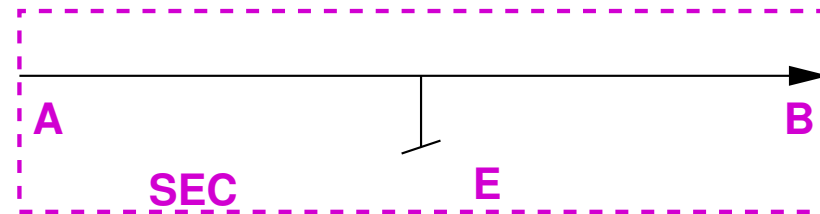
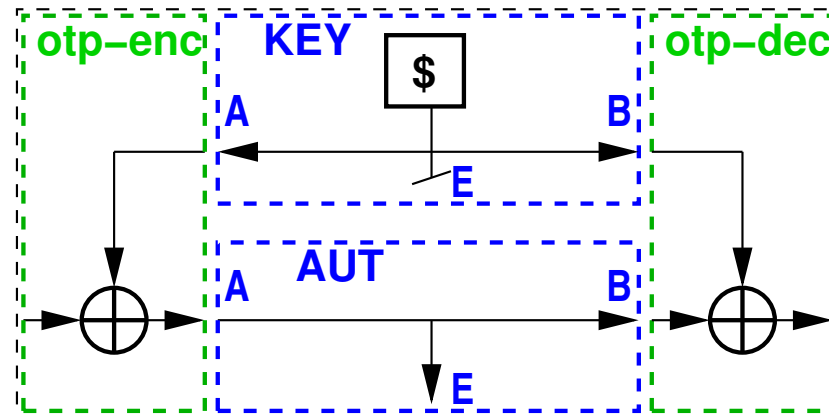
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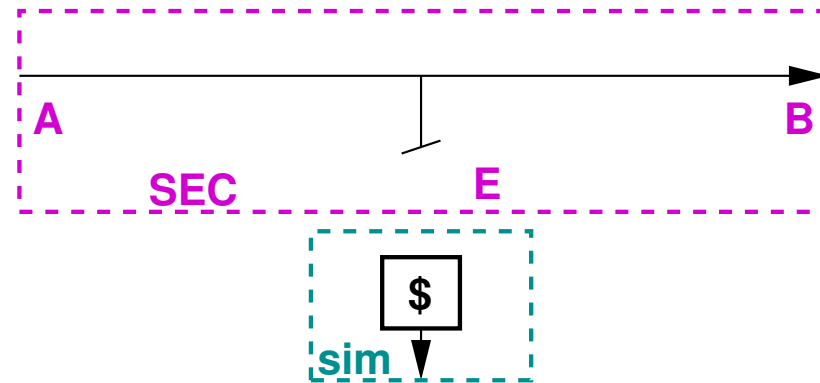
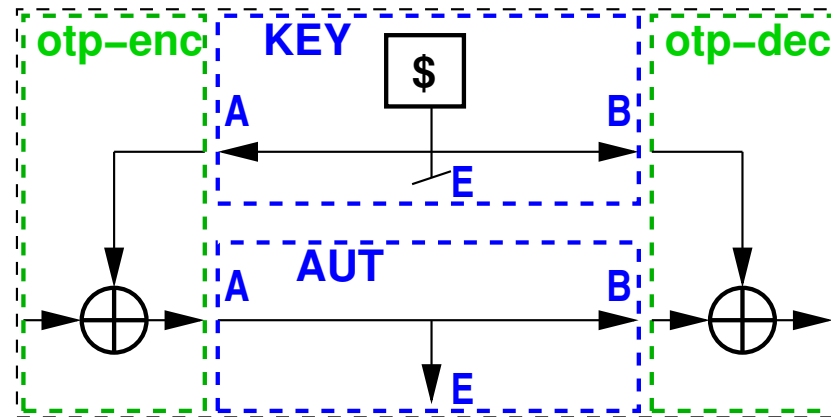
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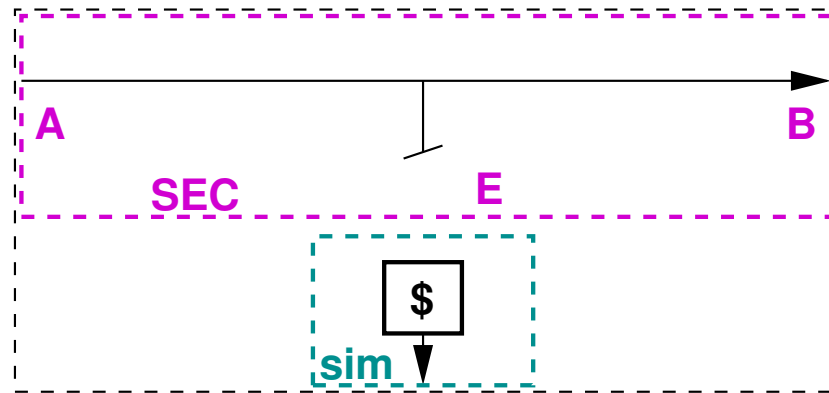
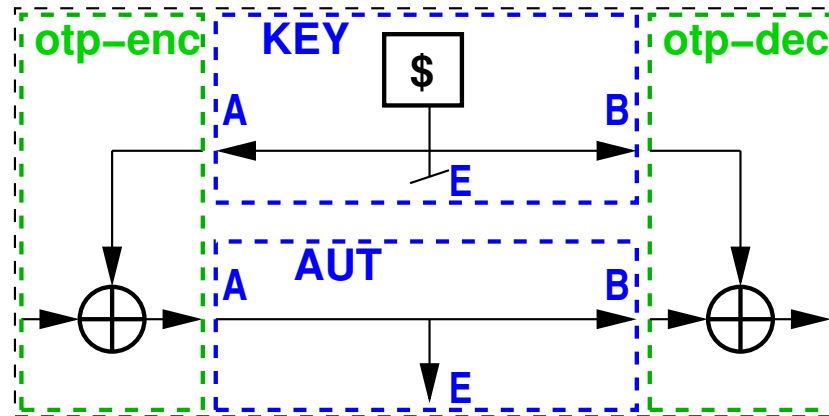
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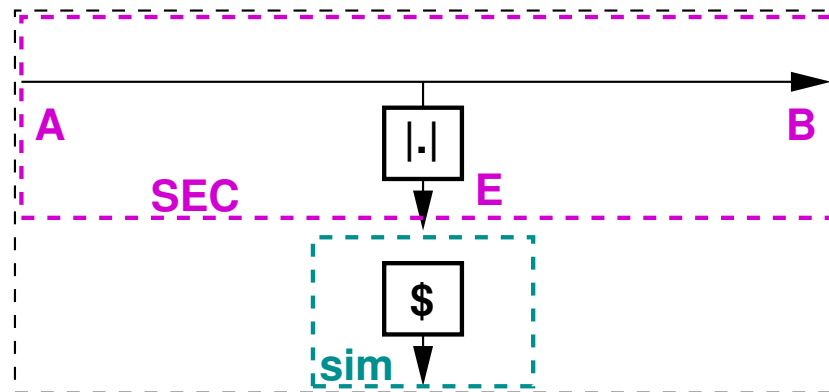
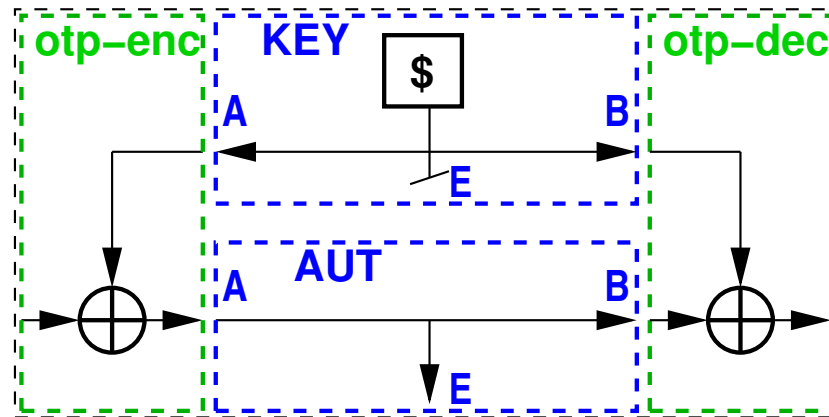
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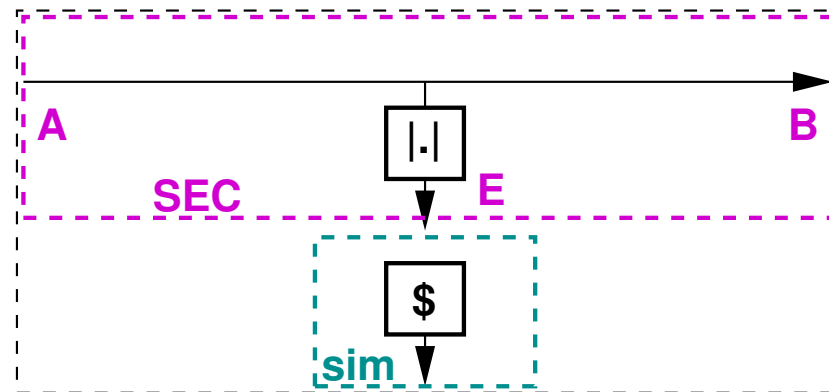
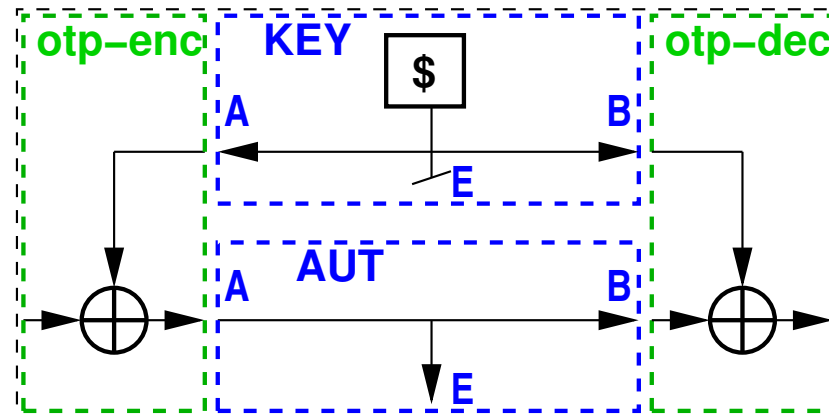
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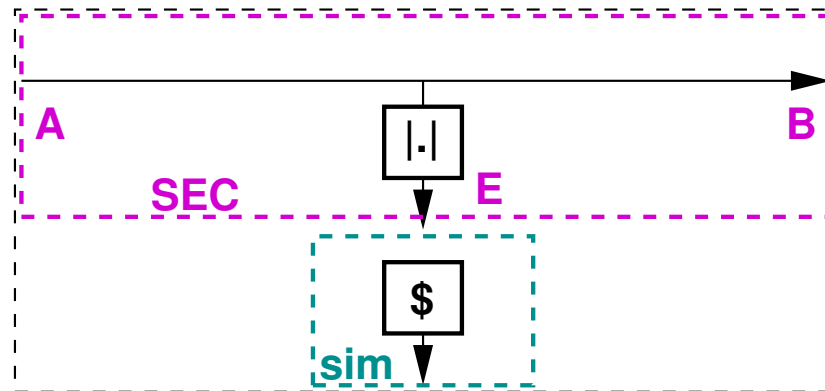
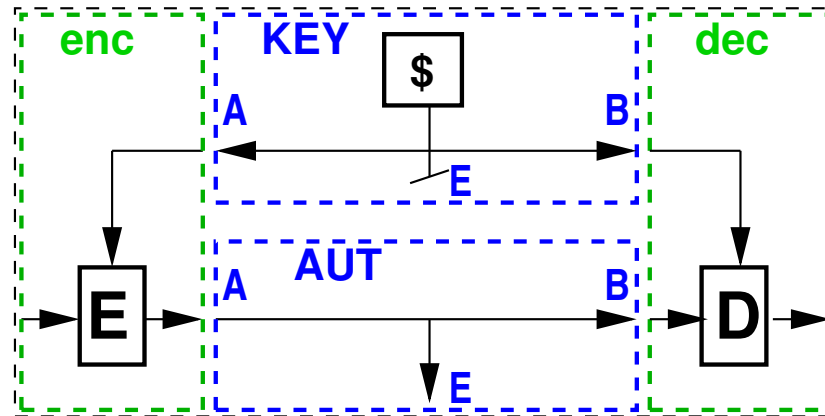
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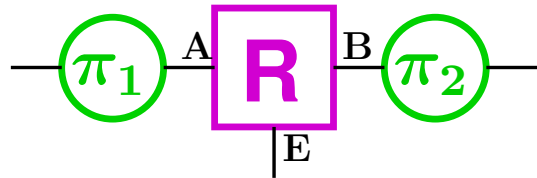
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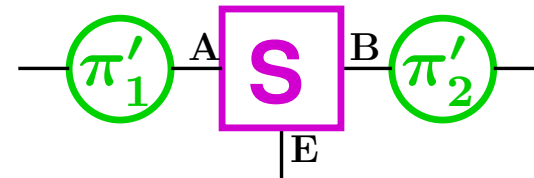
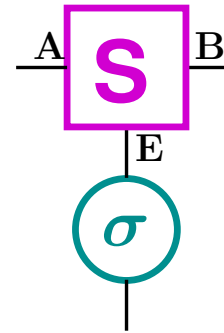
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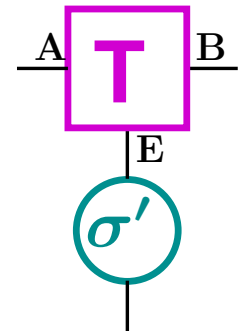
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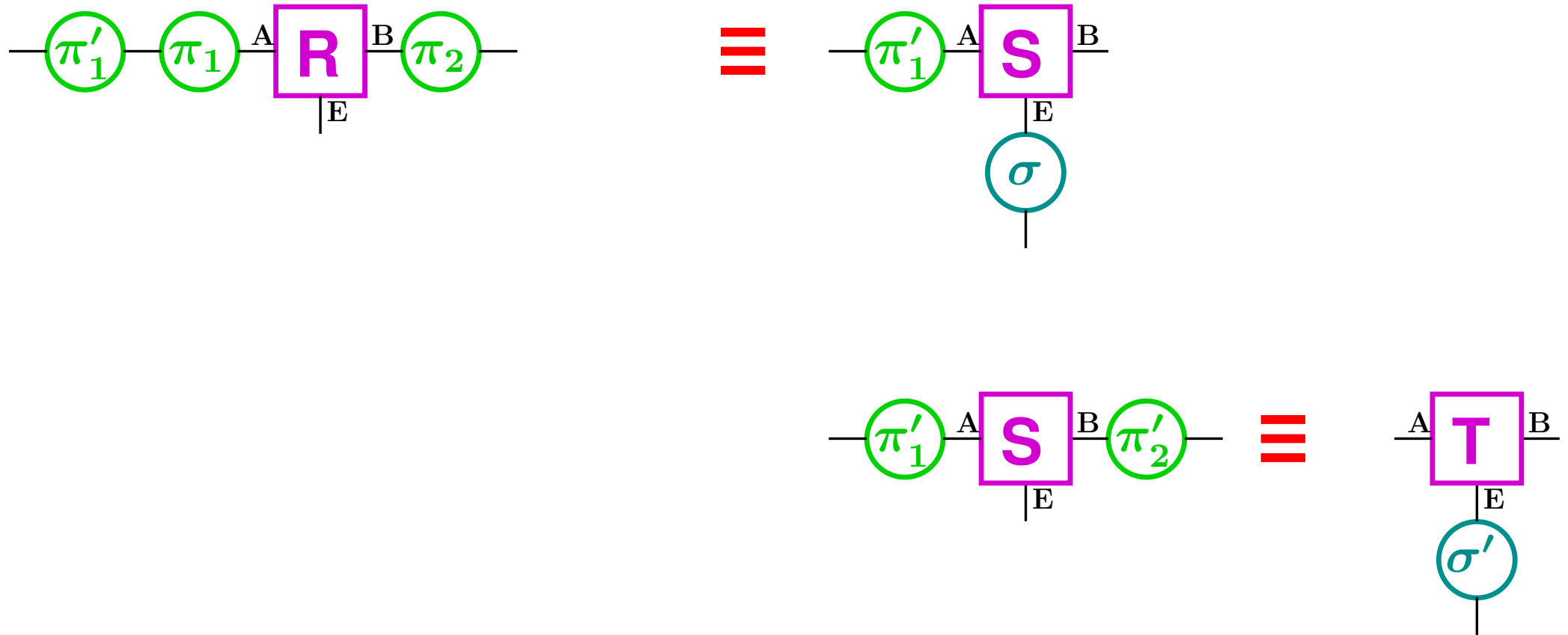
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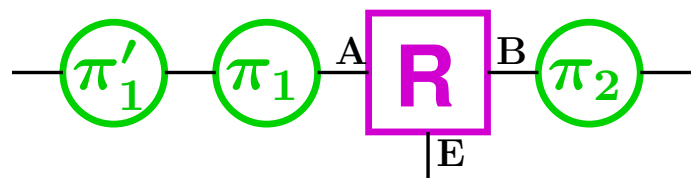
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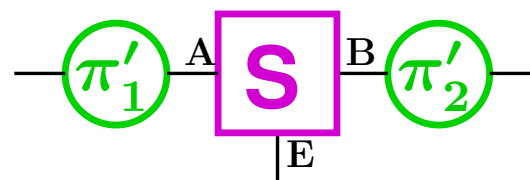
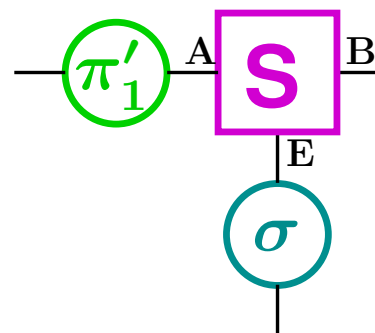
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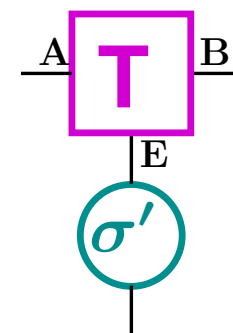
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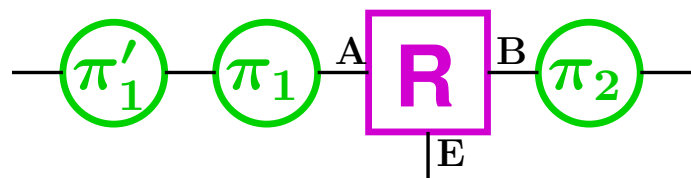


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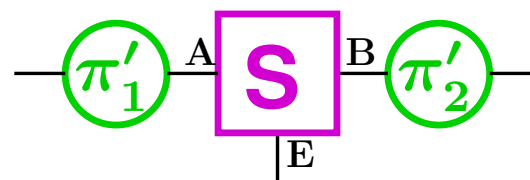
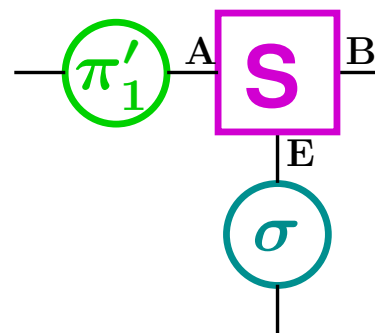


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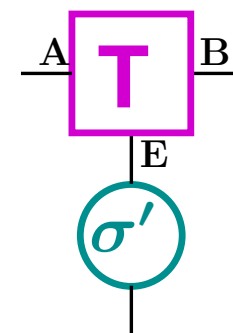
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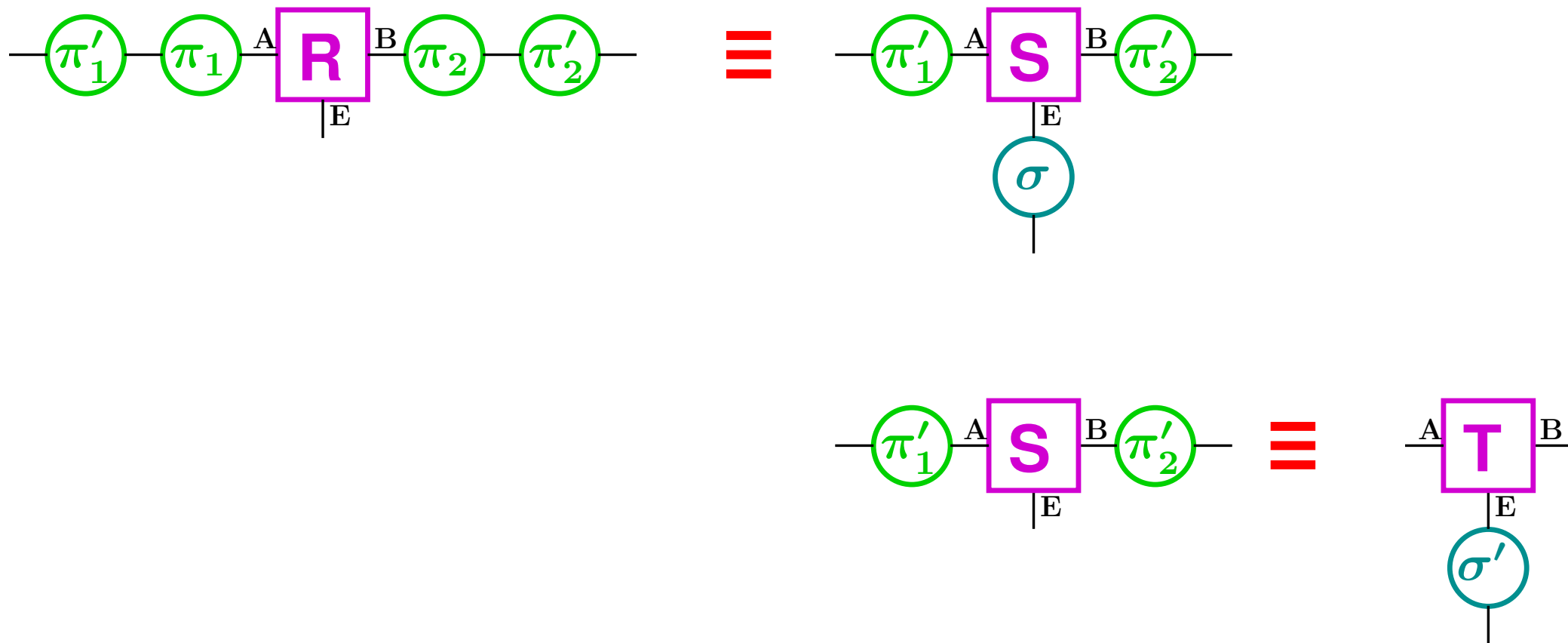
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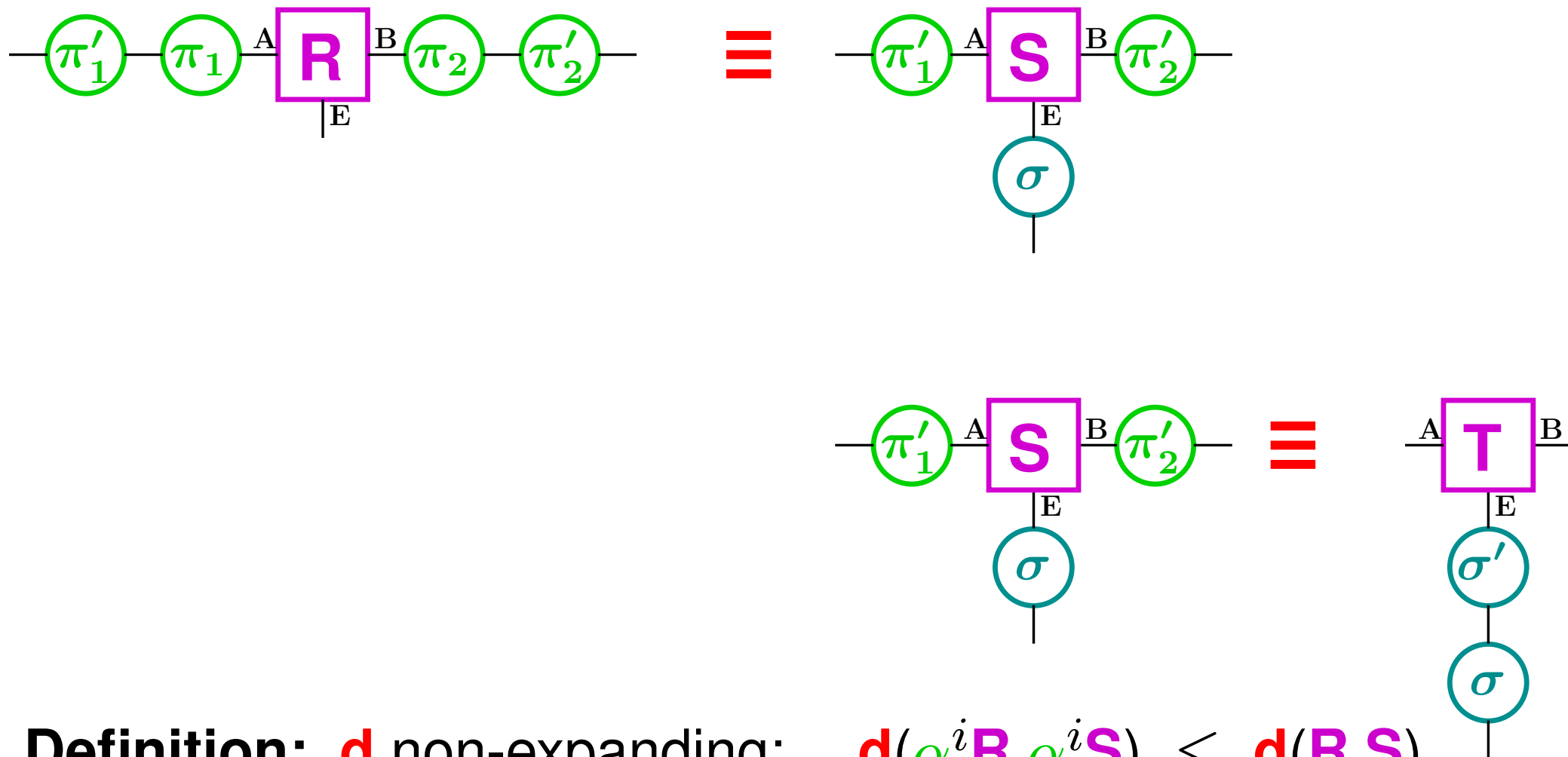
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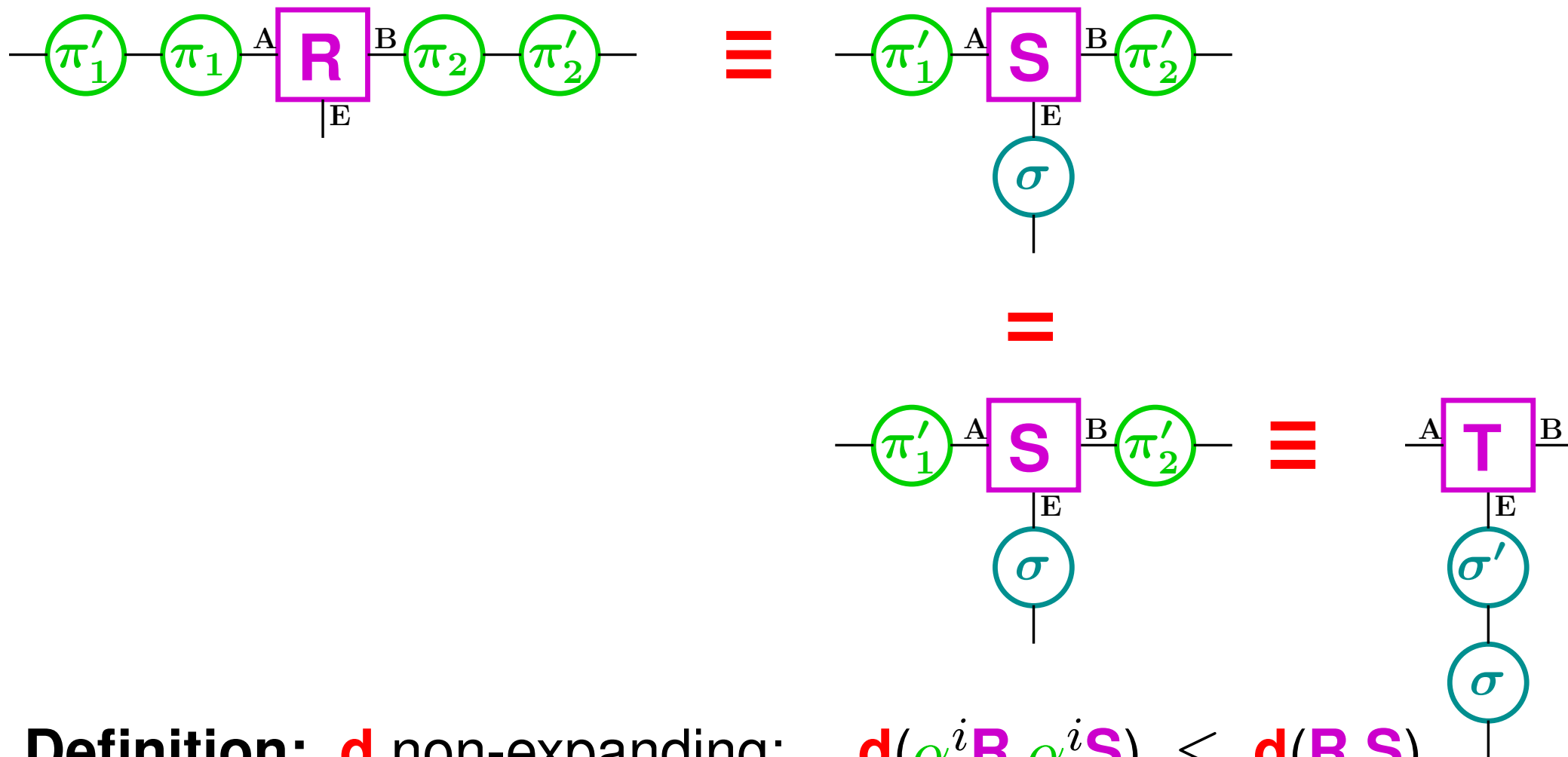
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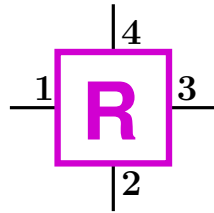
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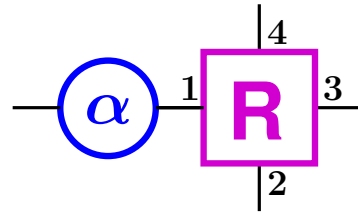
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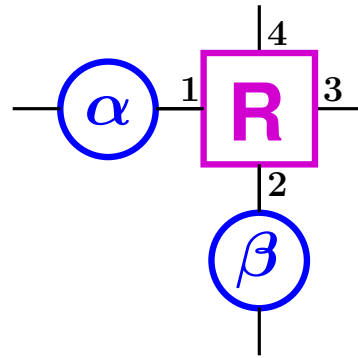
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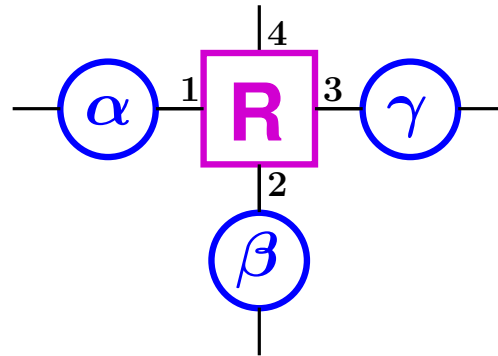
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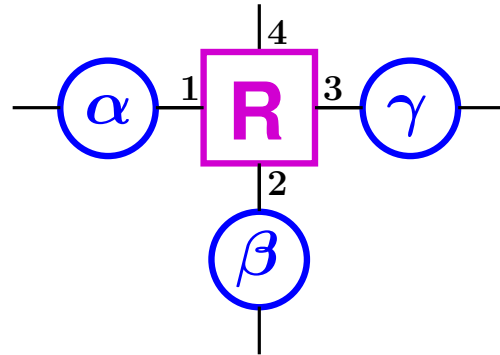
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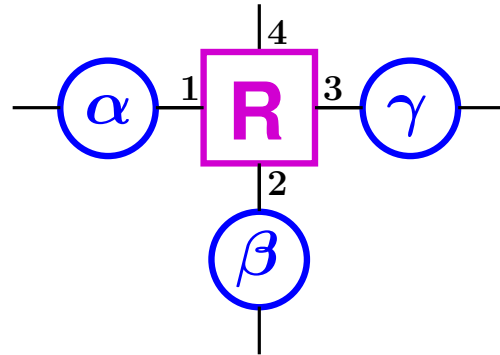
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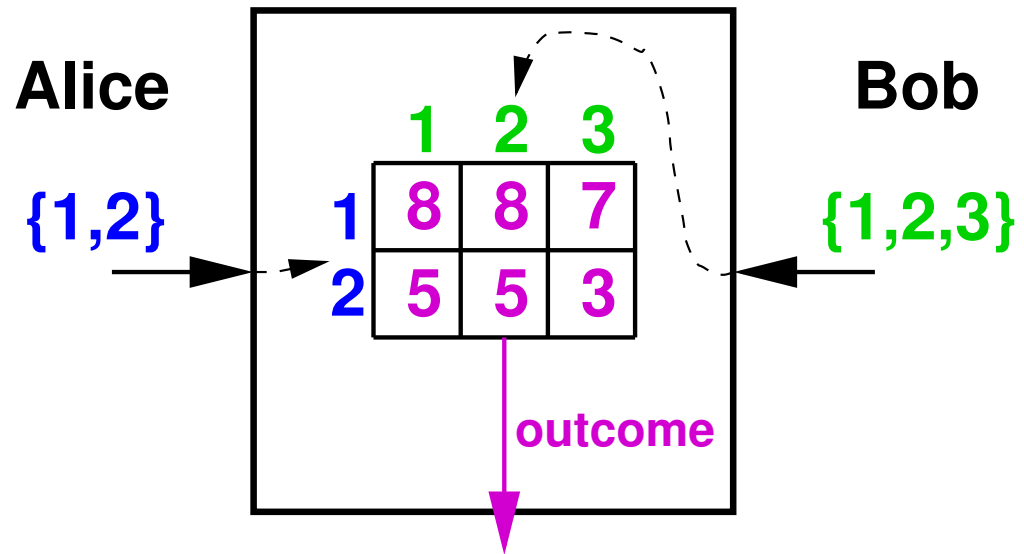
Algebraic laws:

- $\alpha^i \mathbf{R} \in \Phi$ for all $\mathbf{R} \in \Phi$, $\alpha \in \Sigma$, $i \in \mathcal{I}$
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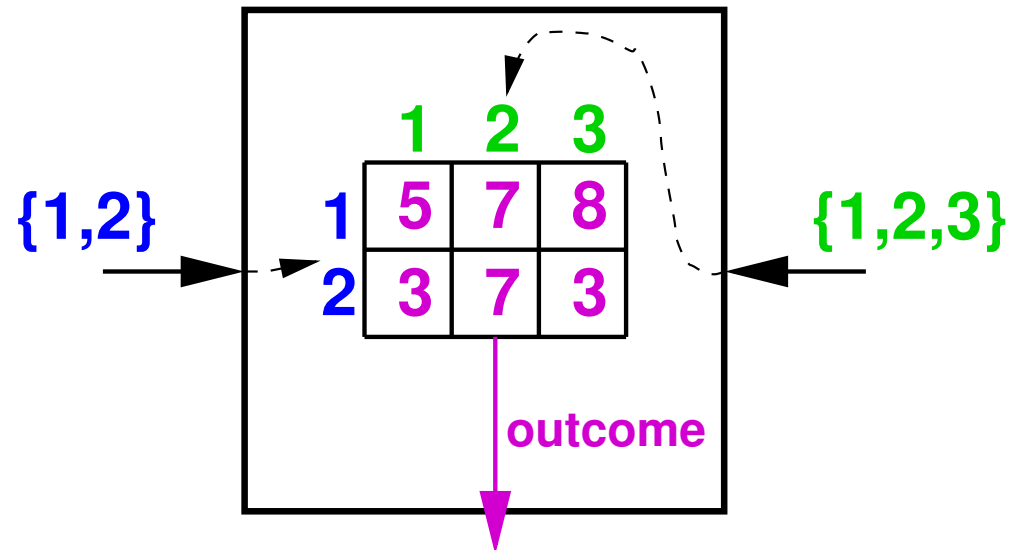
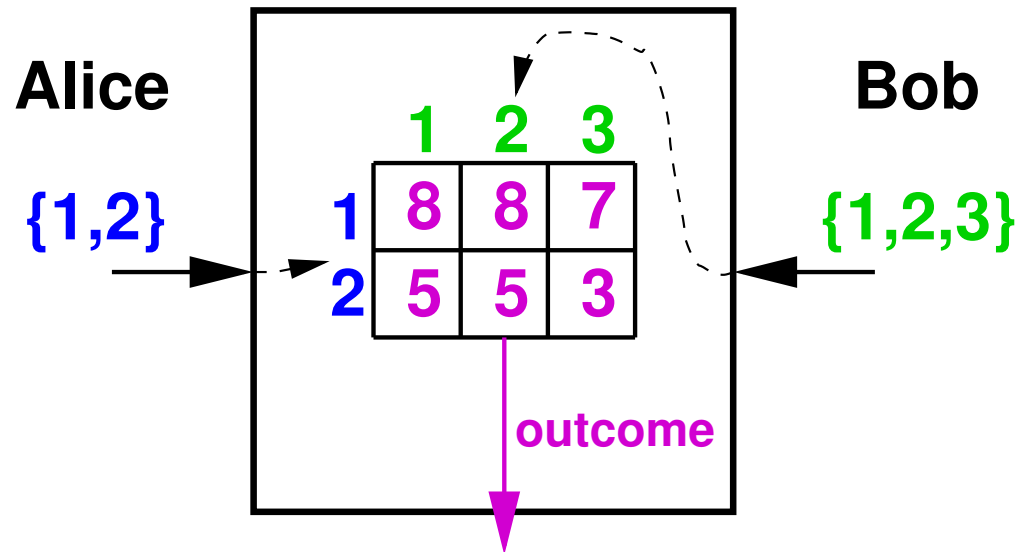
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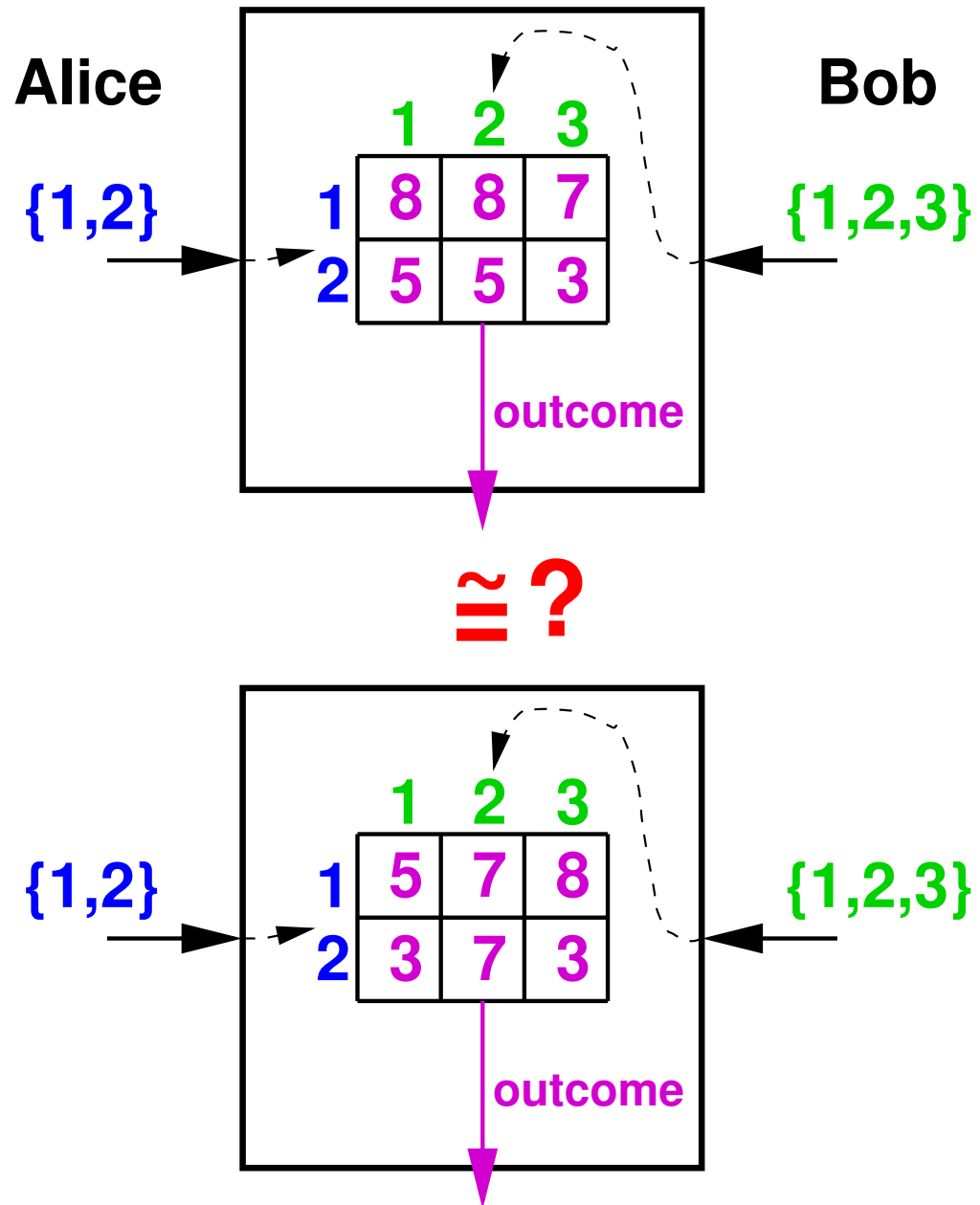
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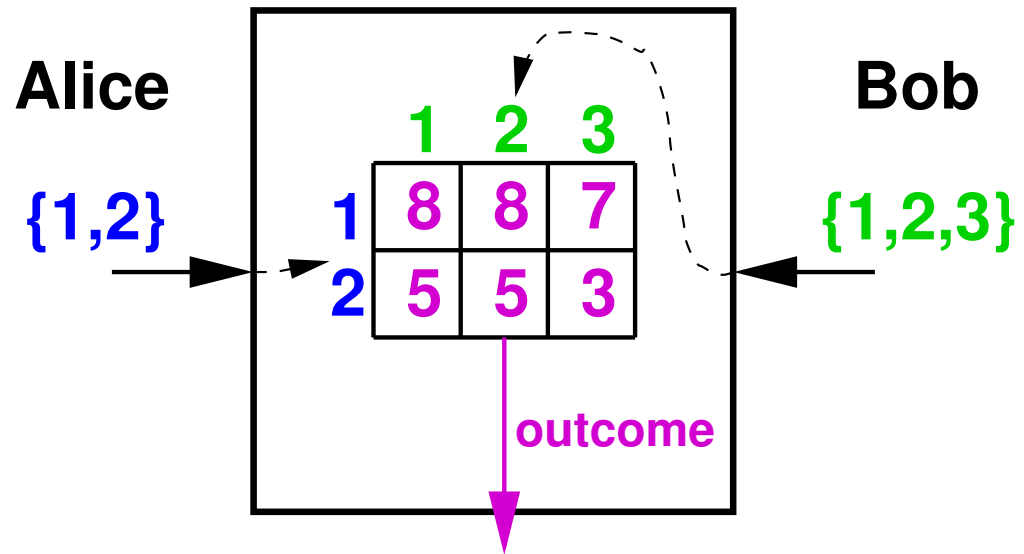
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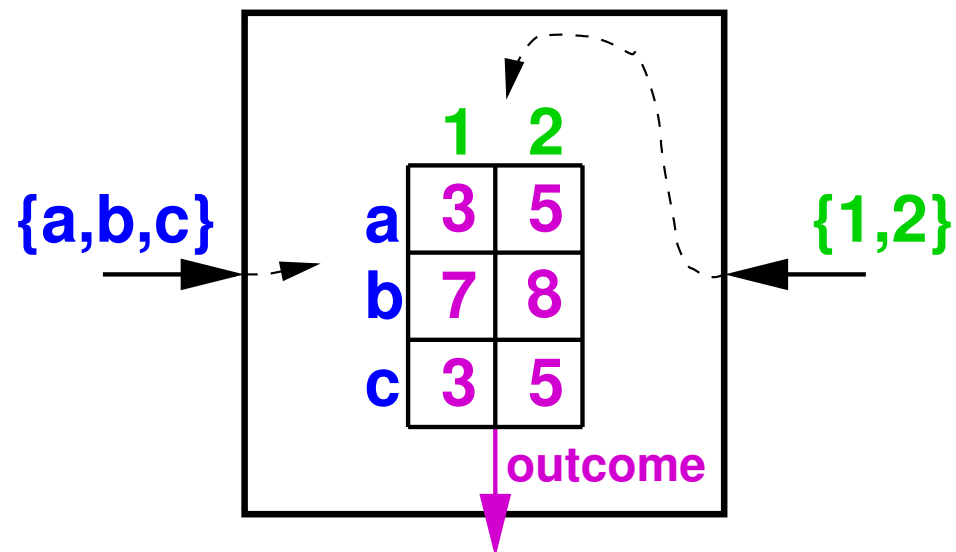
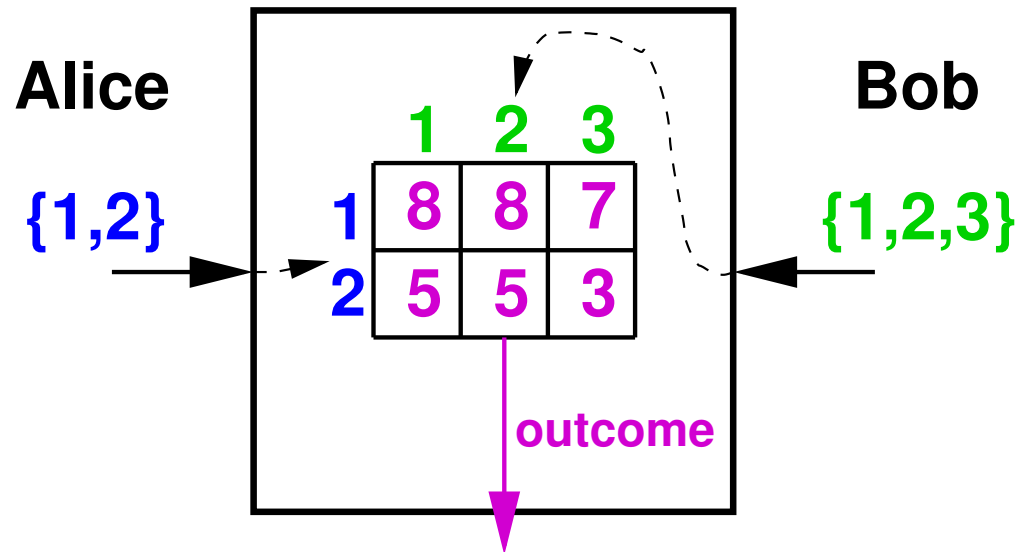
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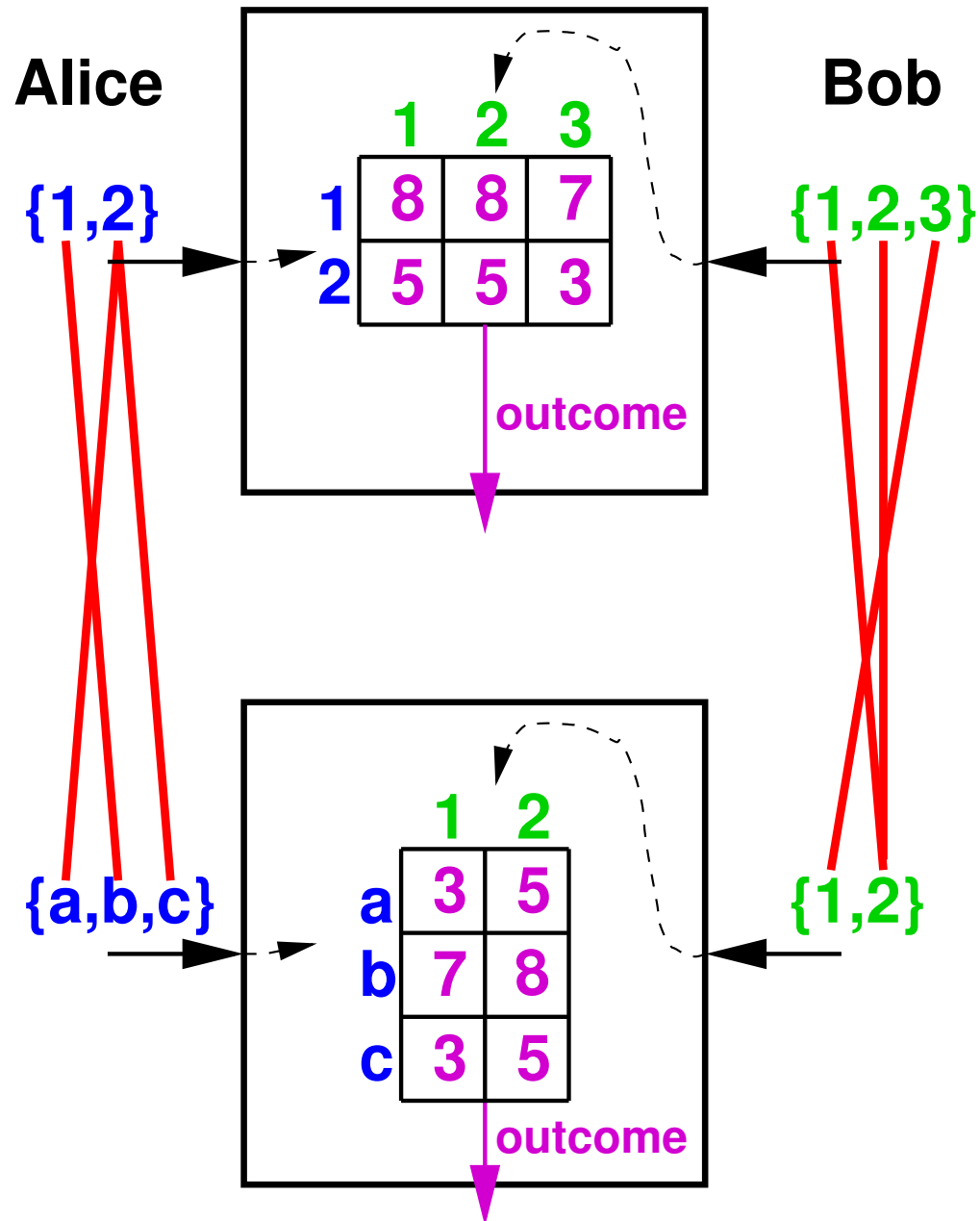
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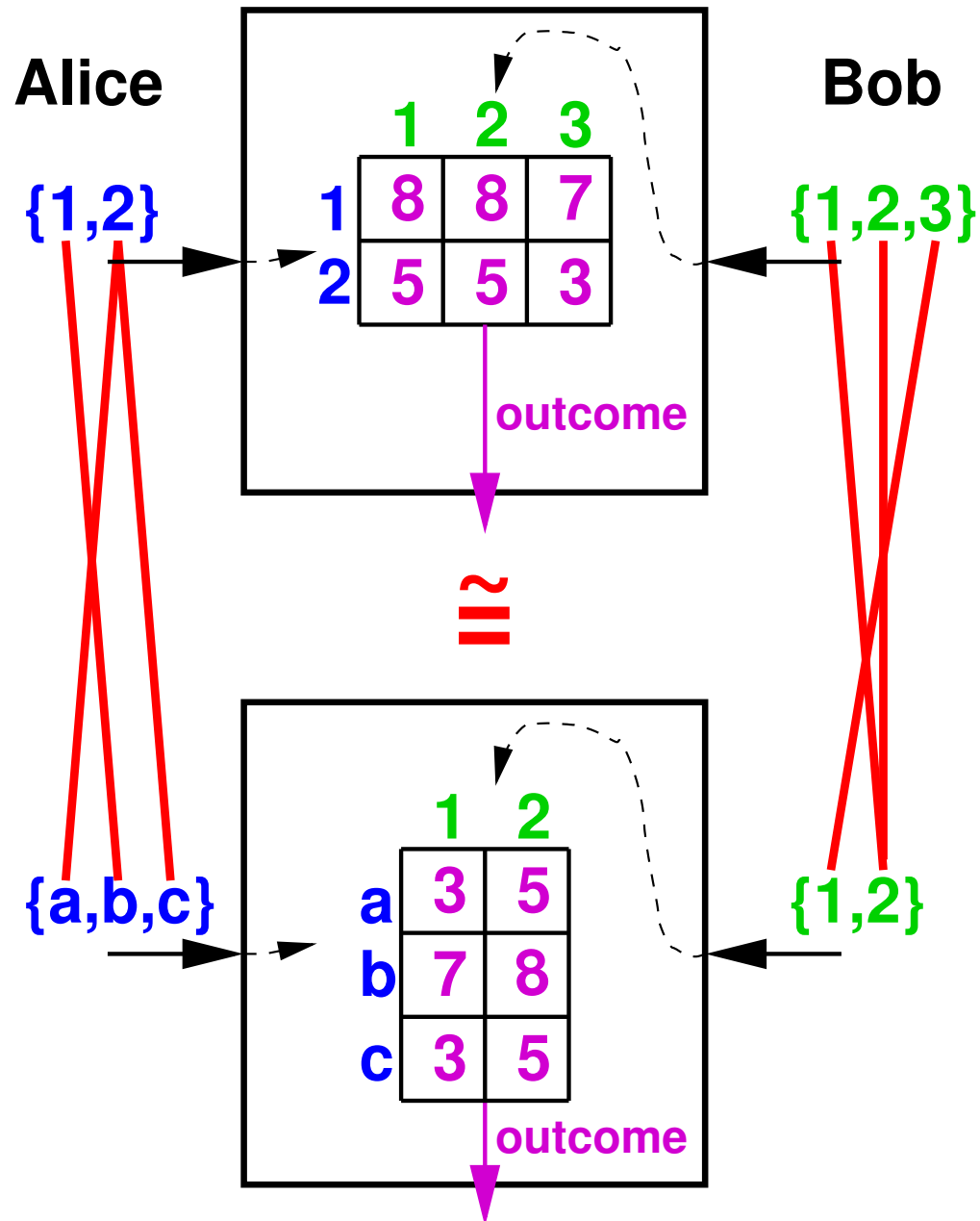
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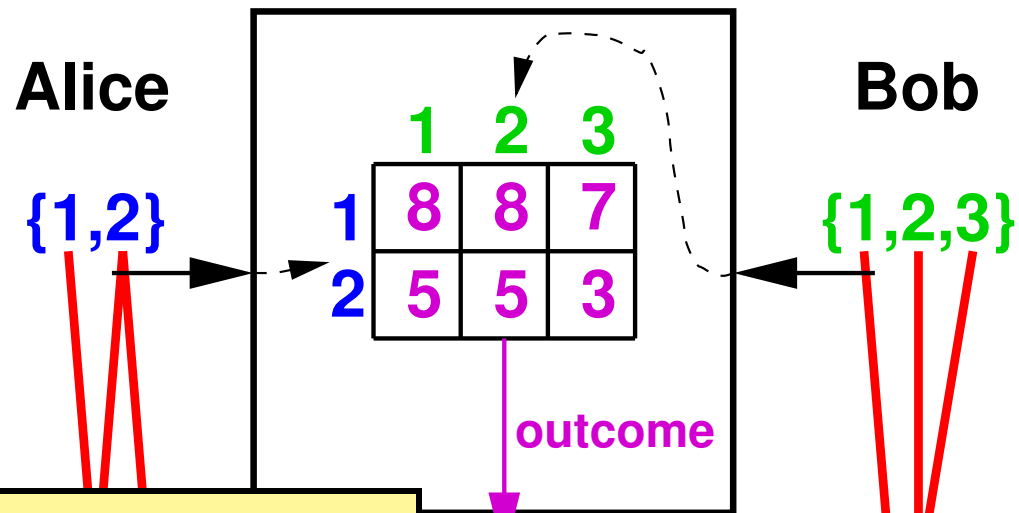
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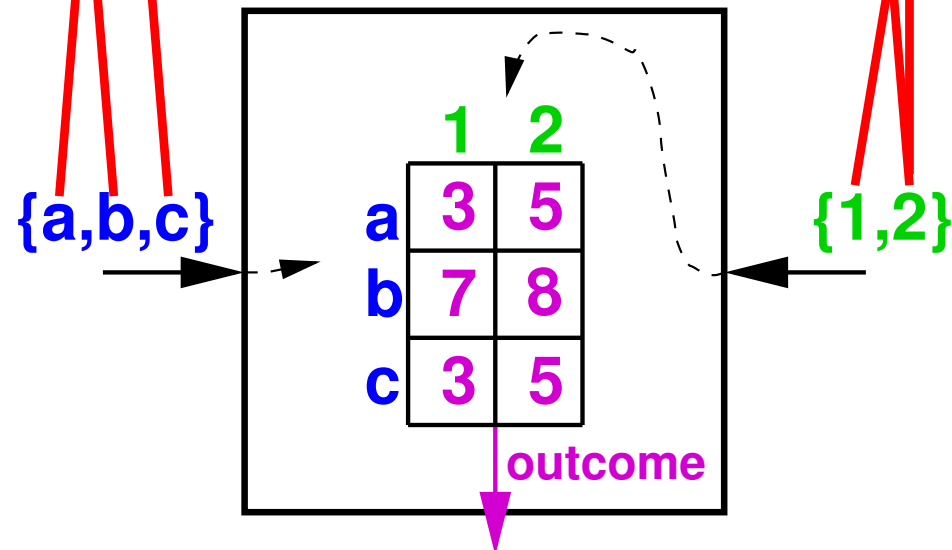


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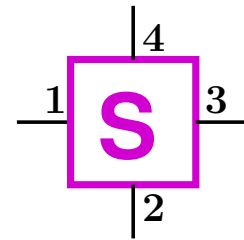
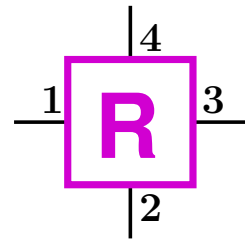
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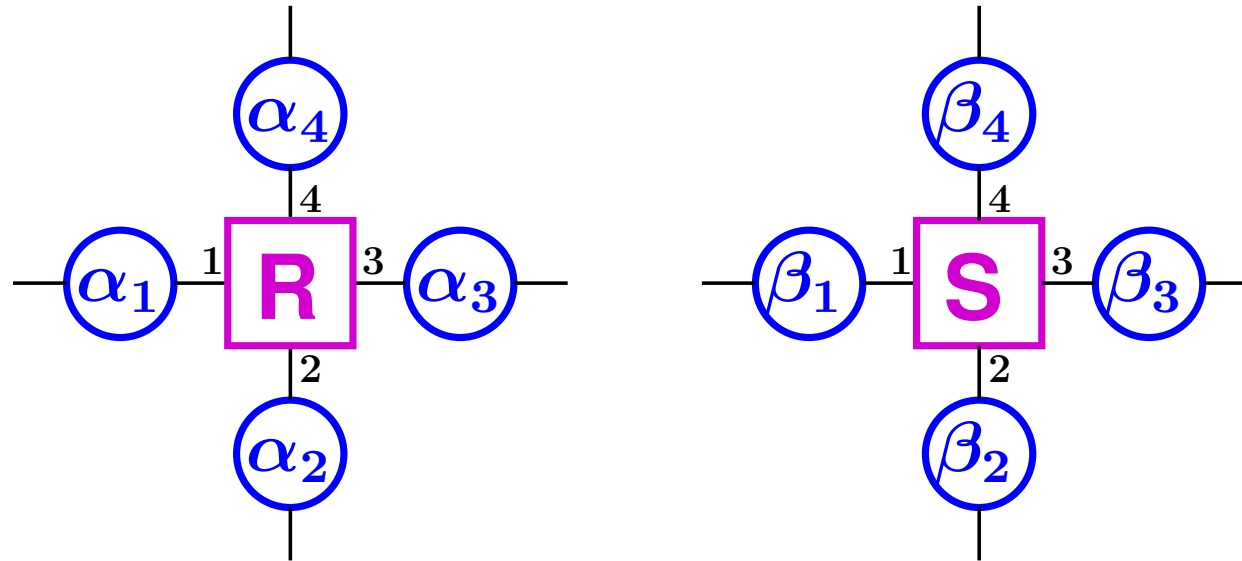
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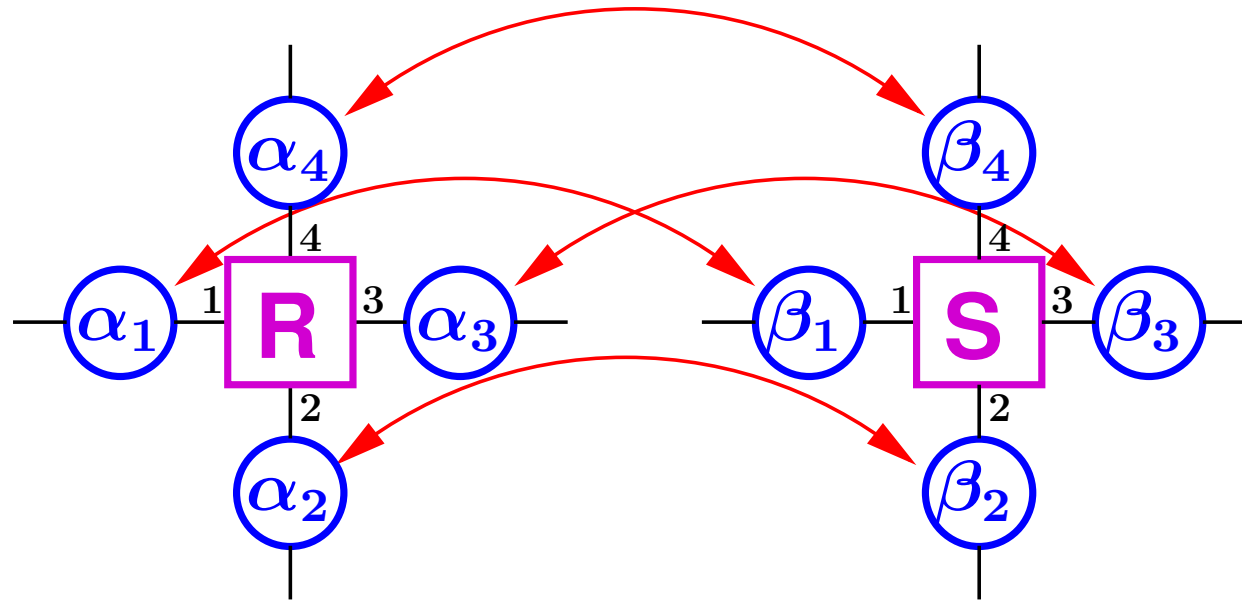
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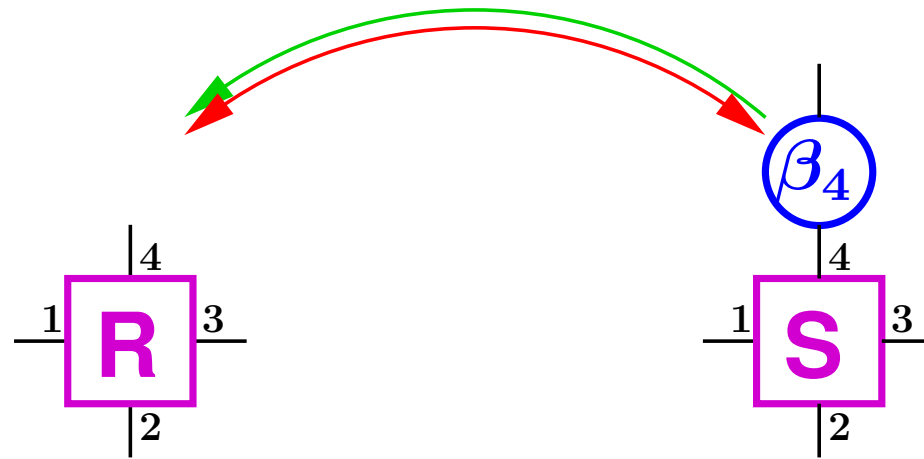


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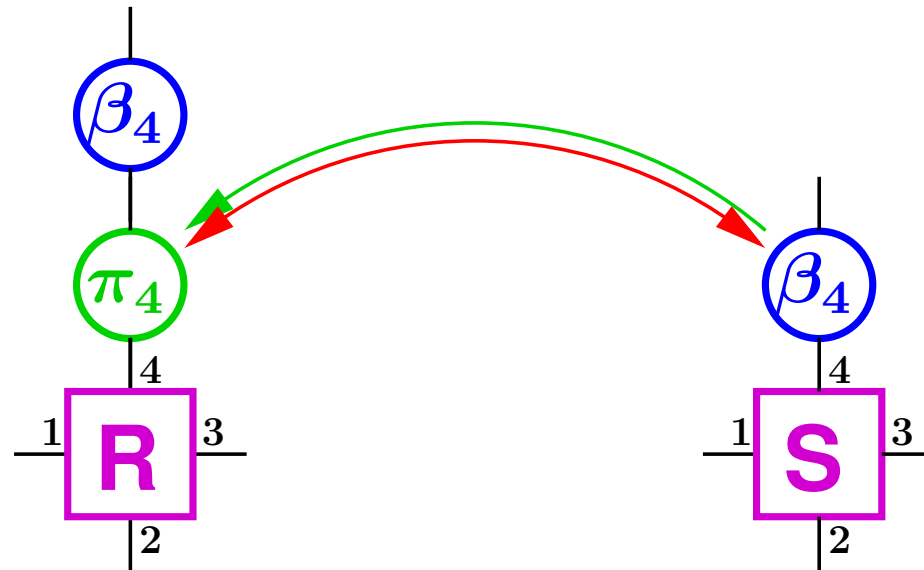
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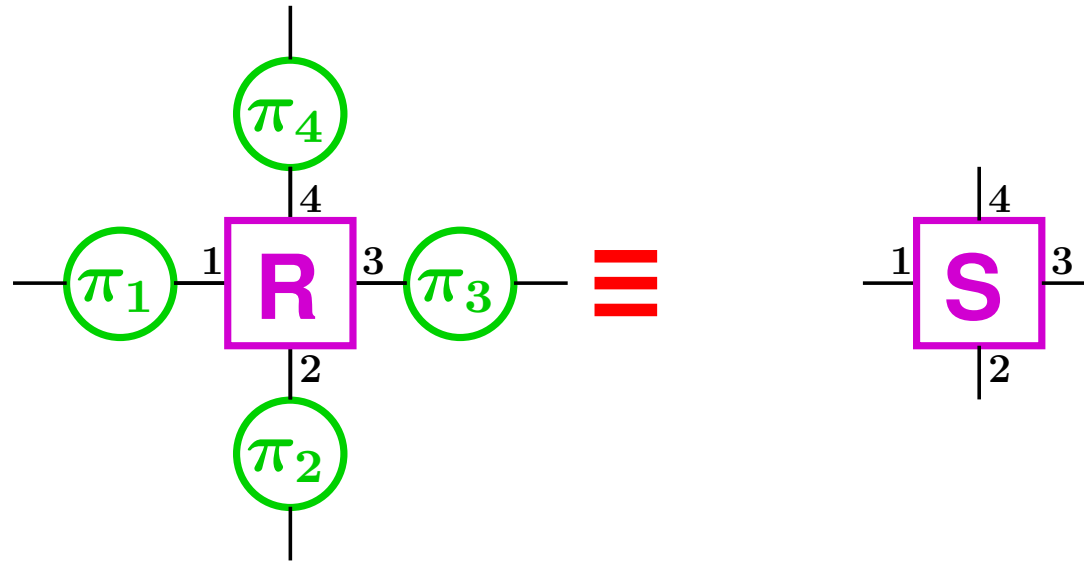
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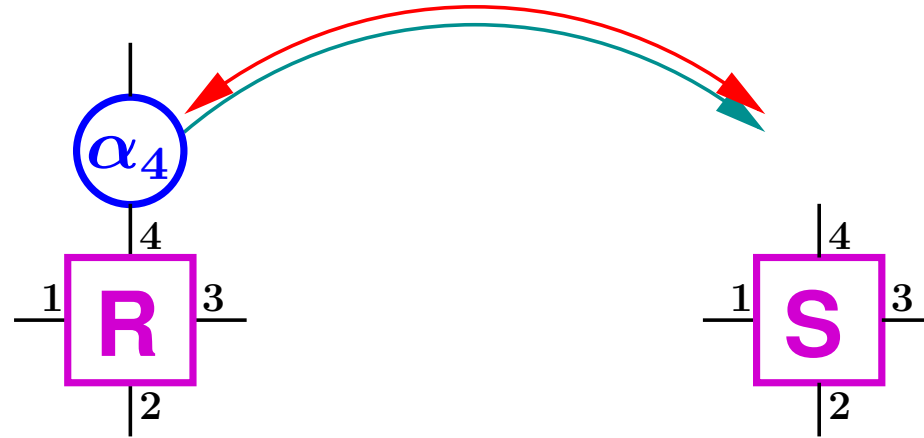
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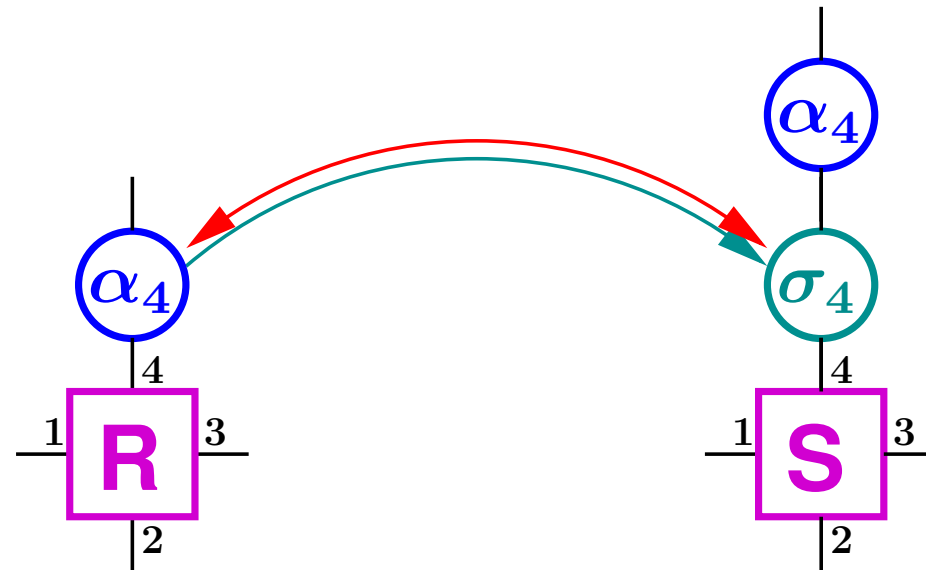
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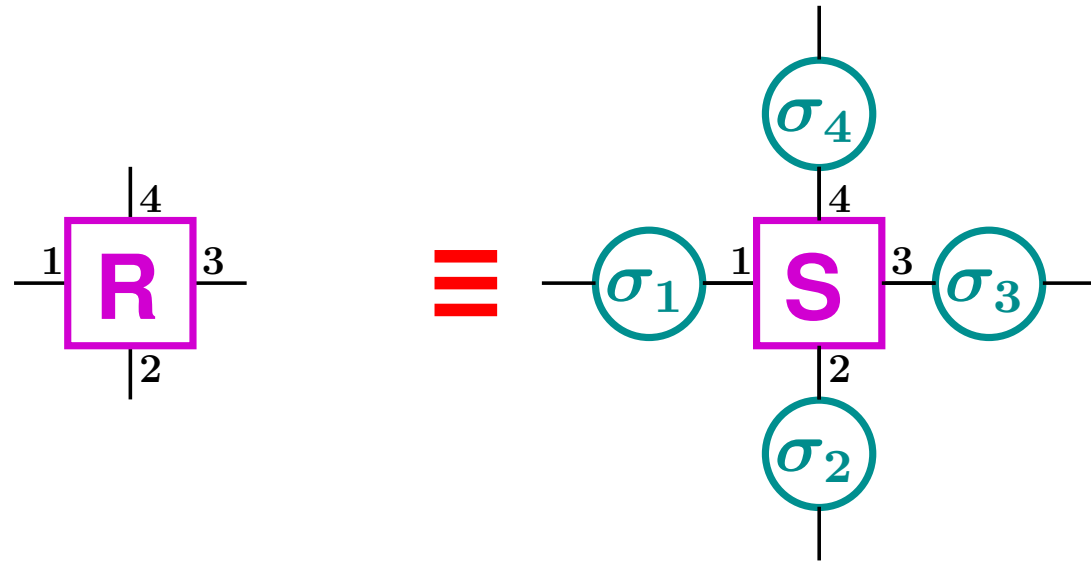
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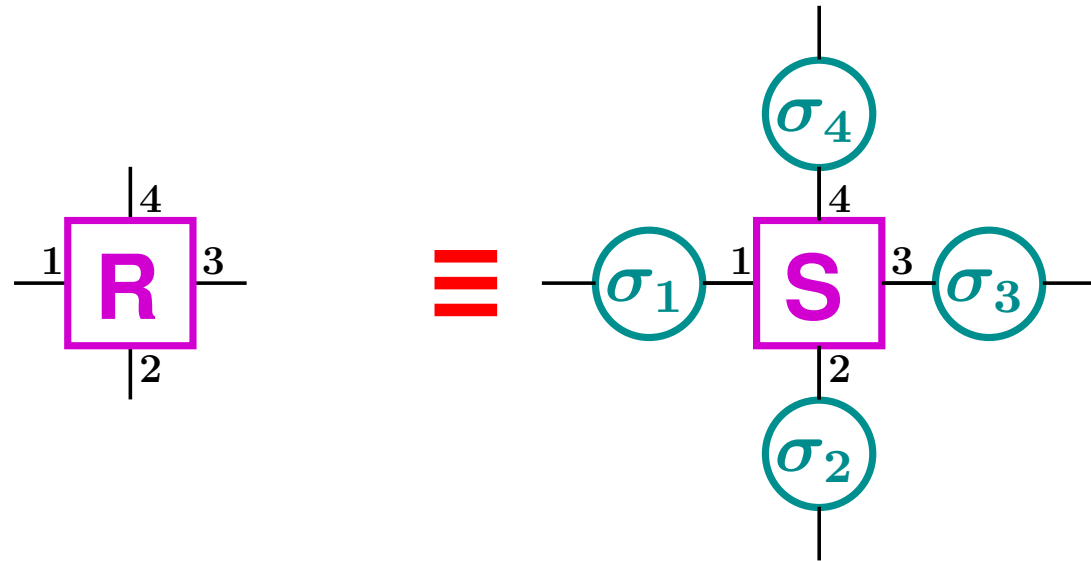
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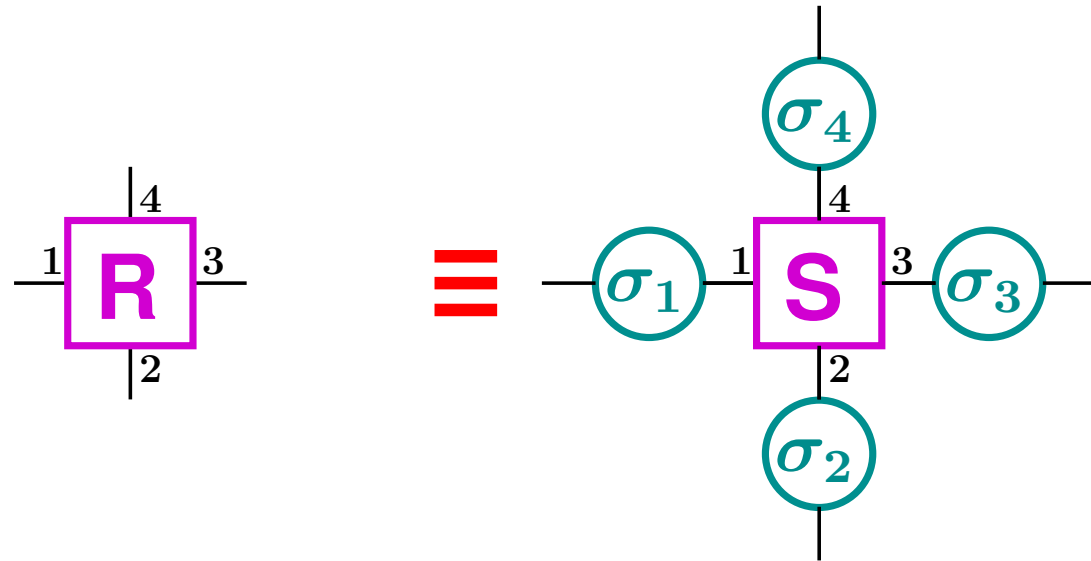


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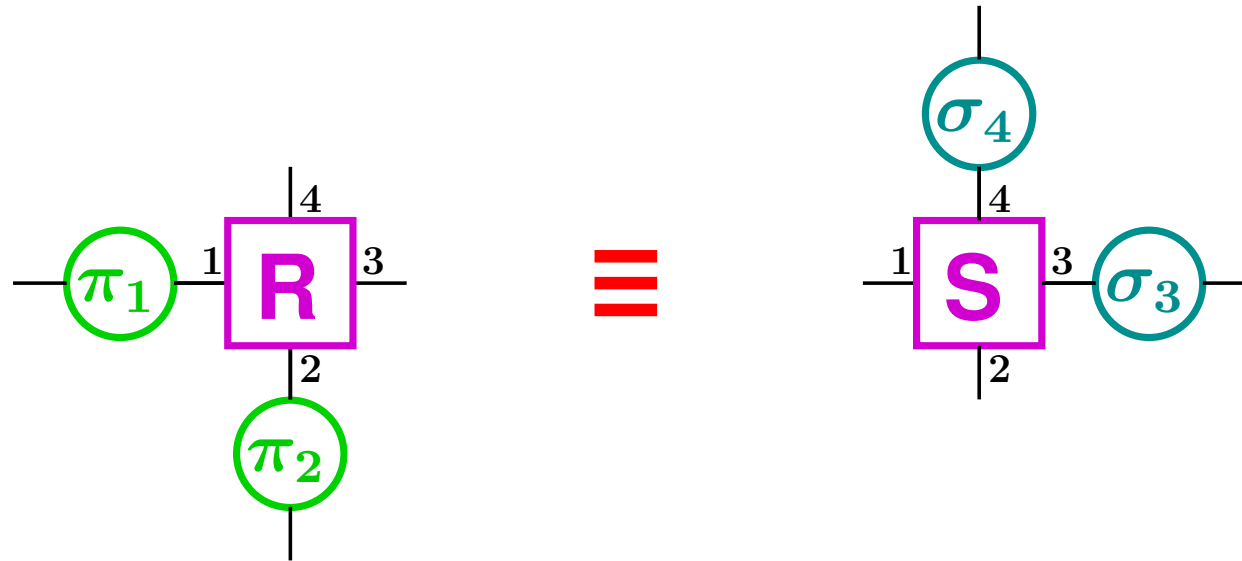
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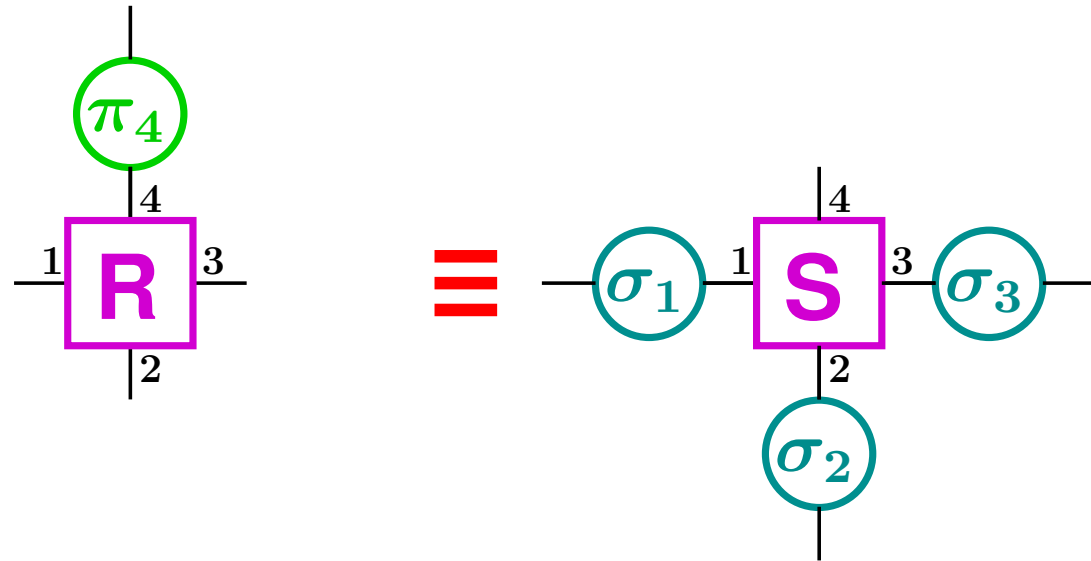
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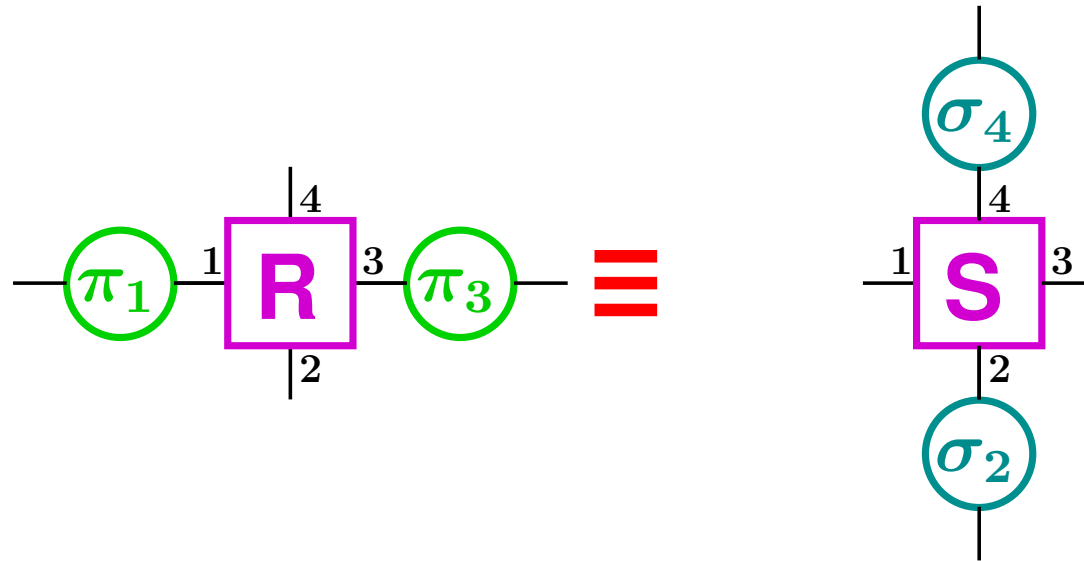
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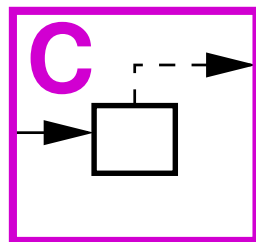
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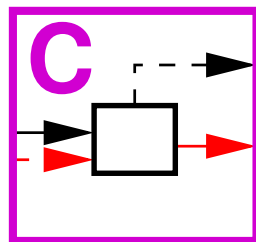
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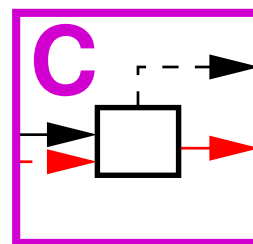
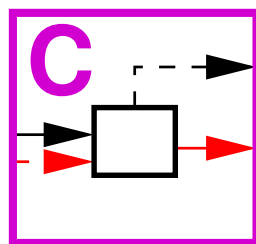
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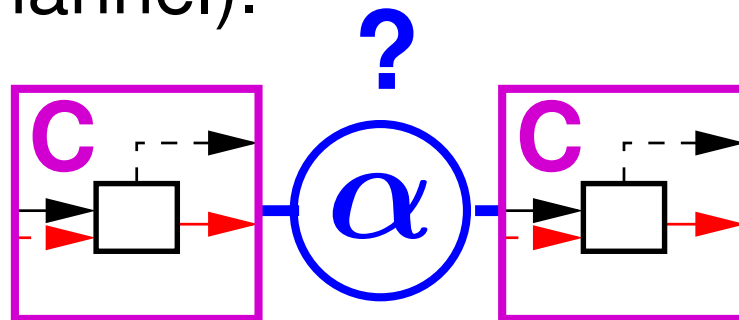
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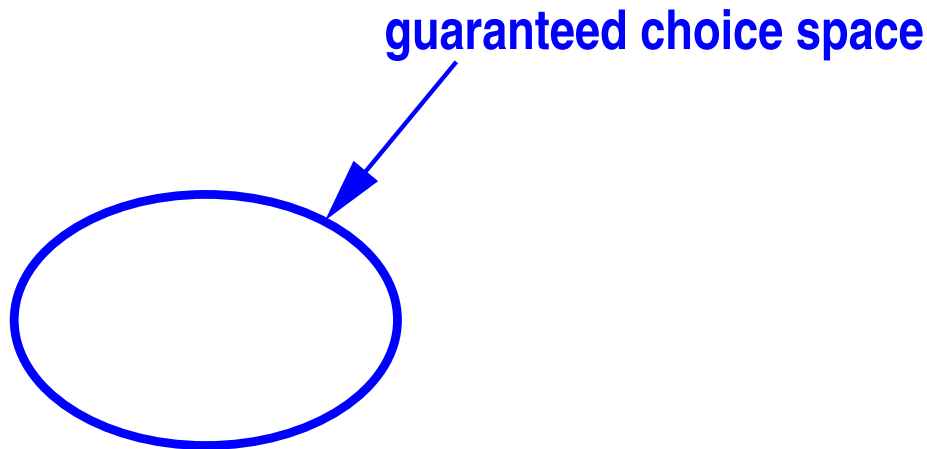
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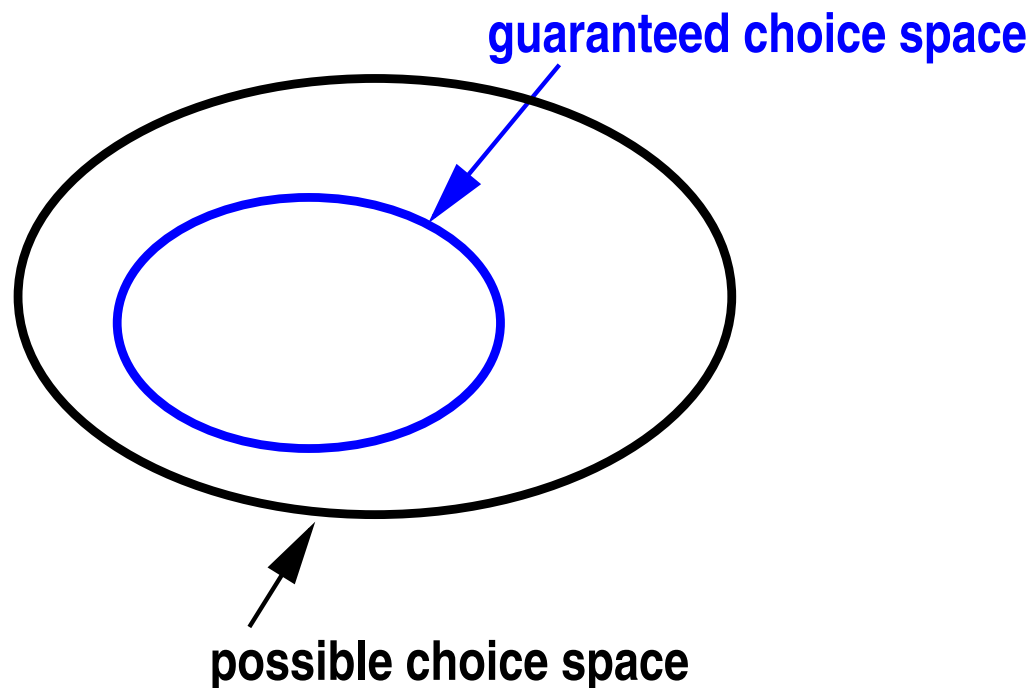


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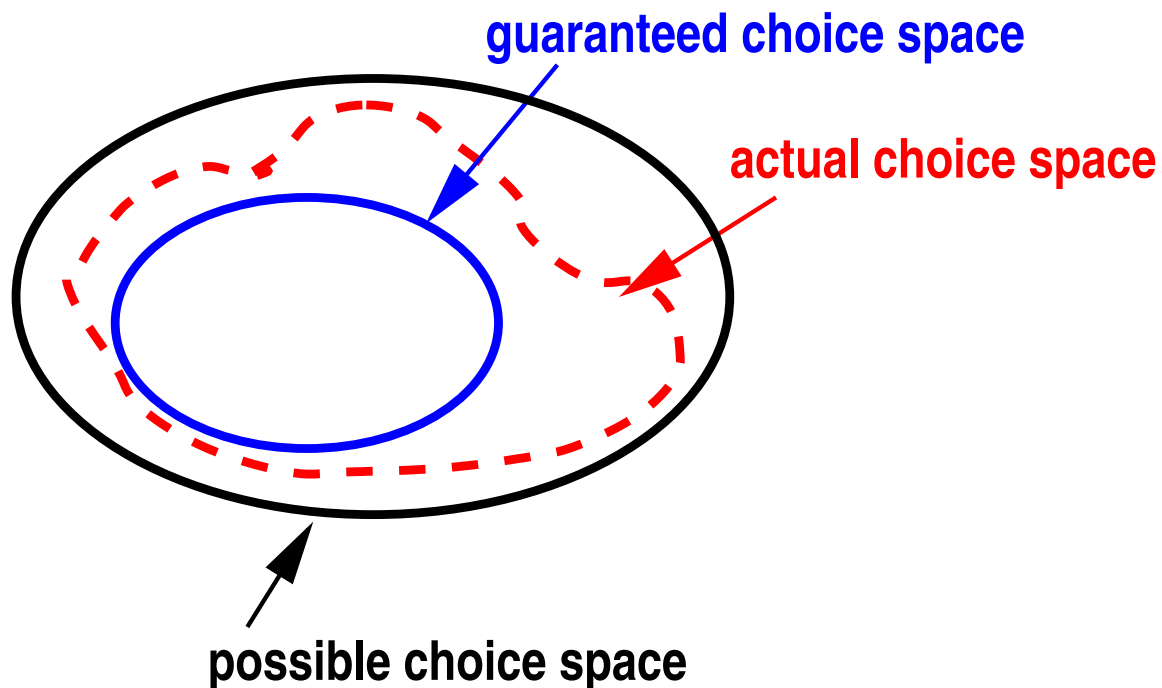


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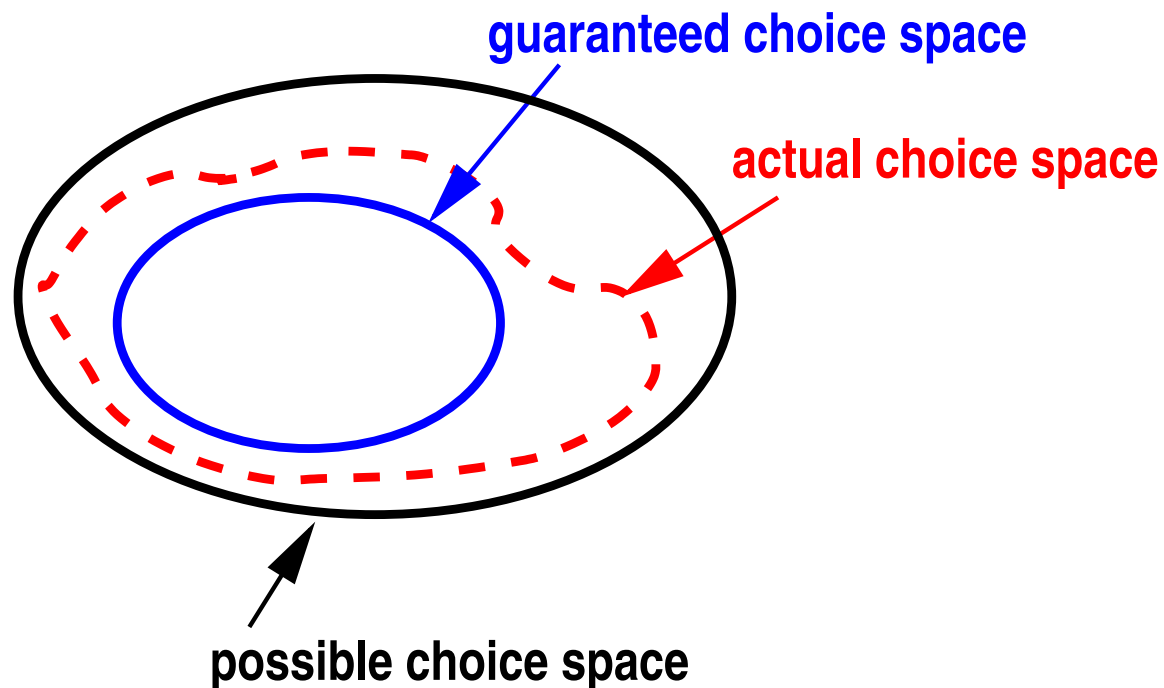


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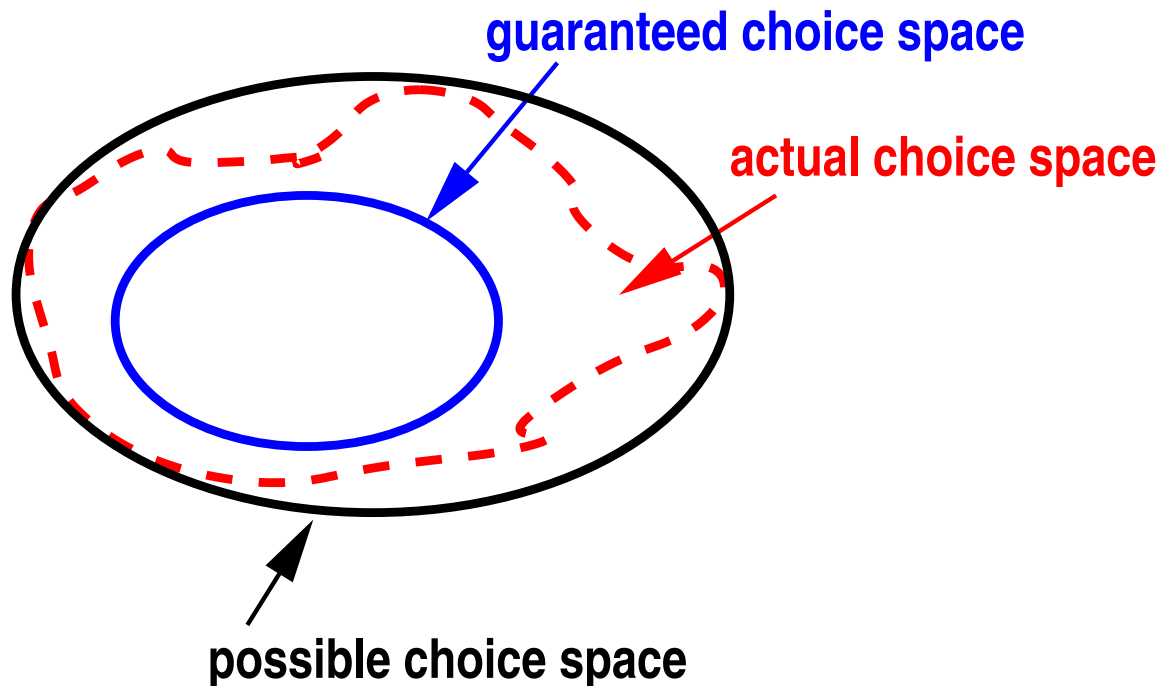


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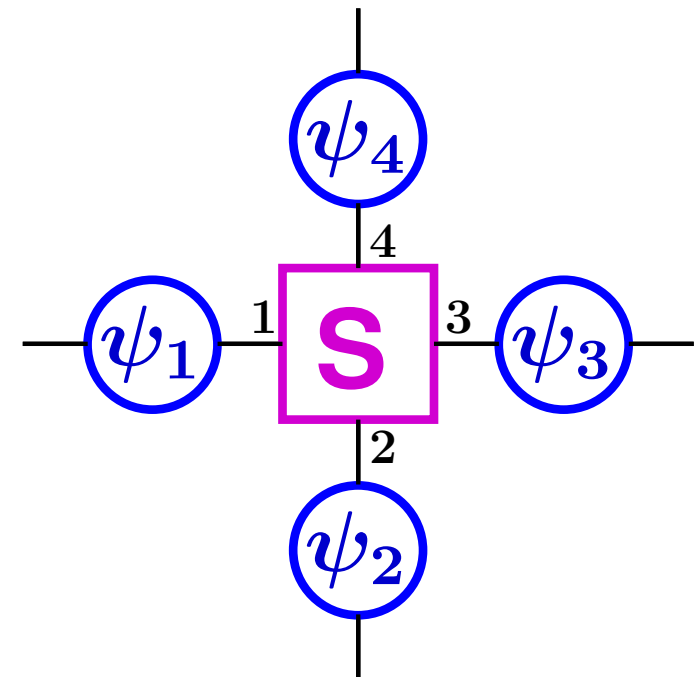
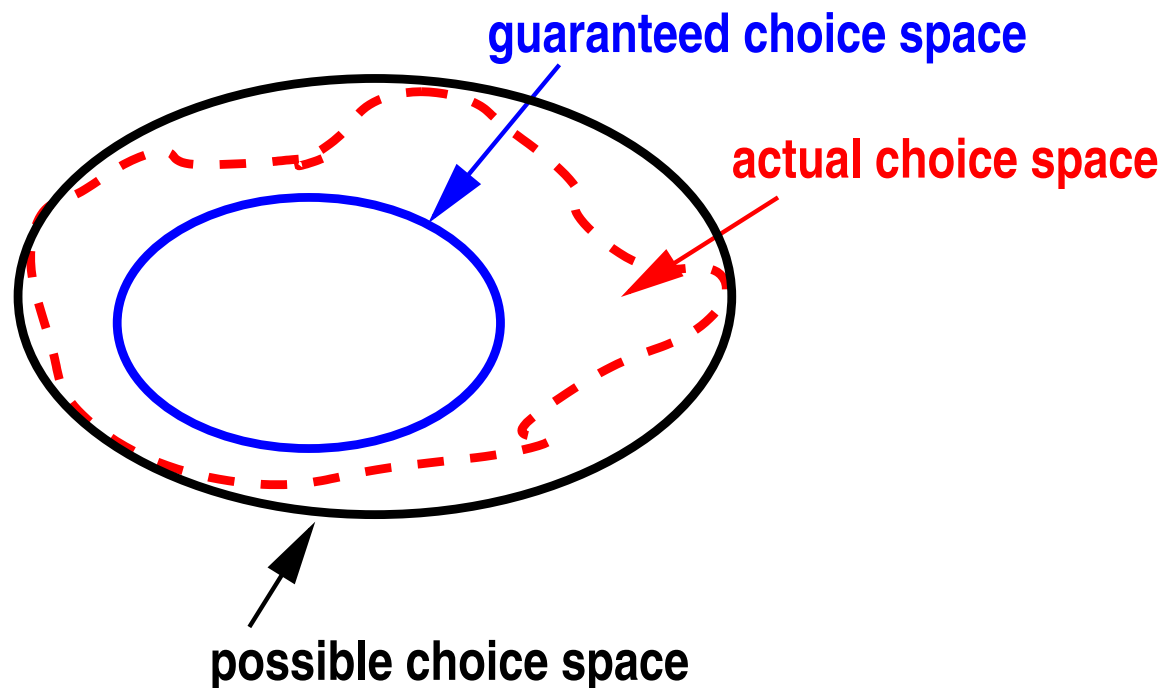


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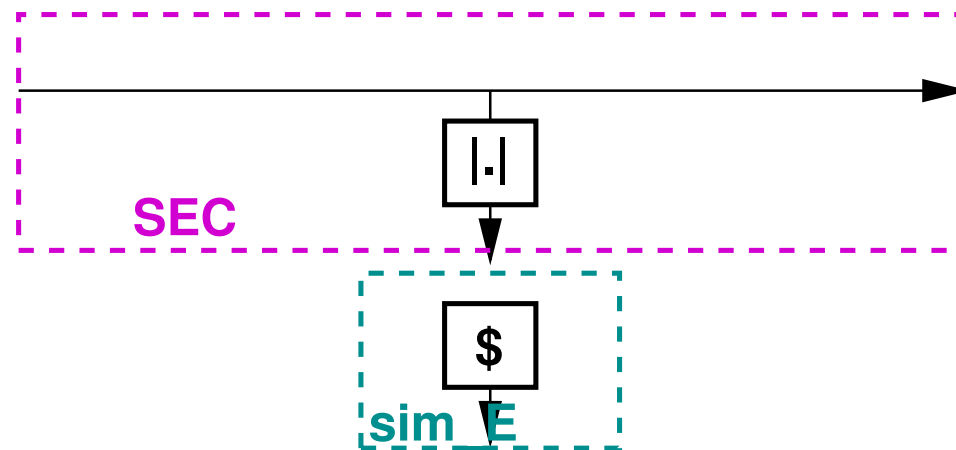
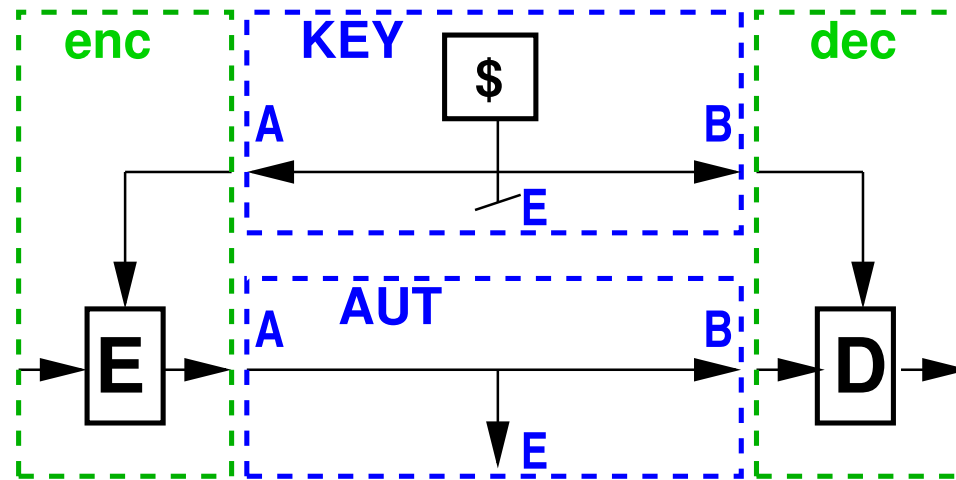
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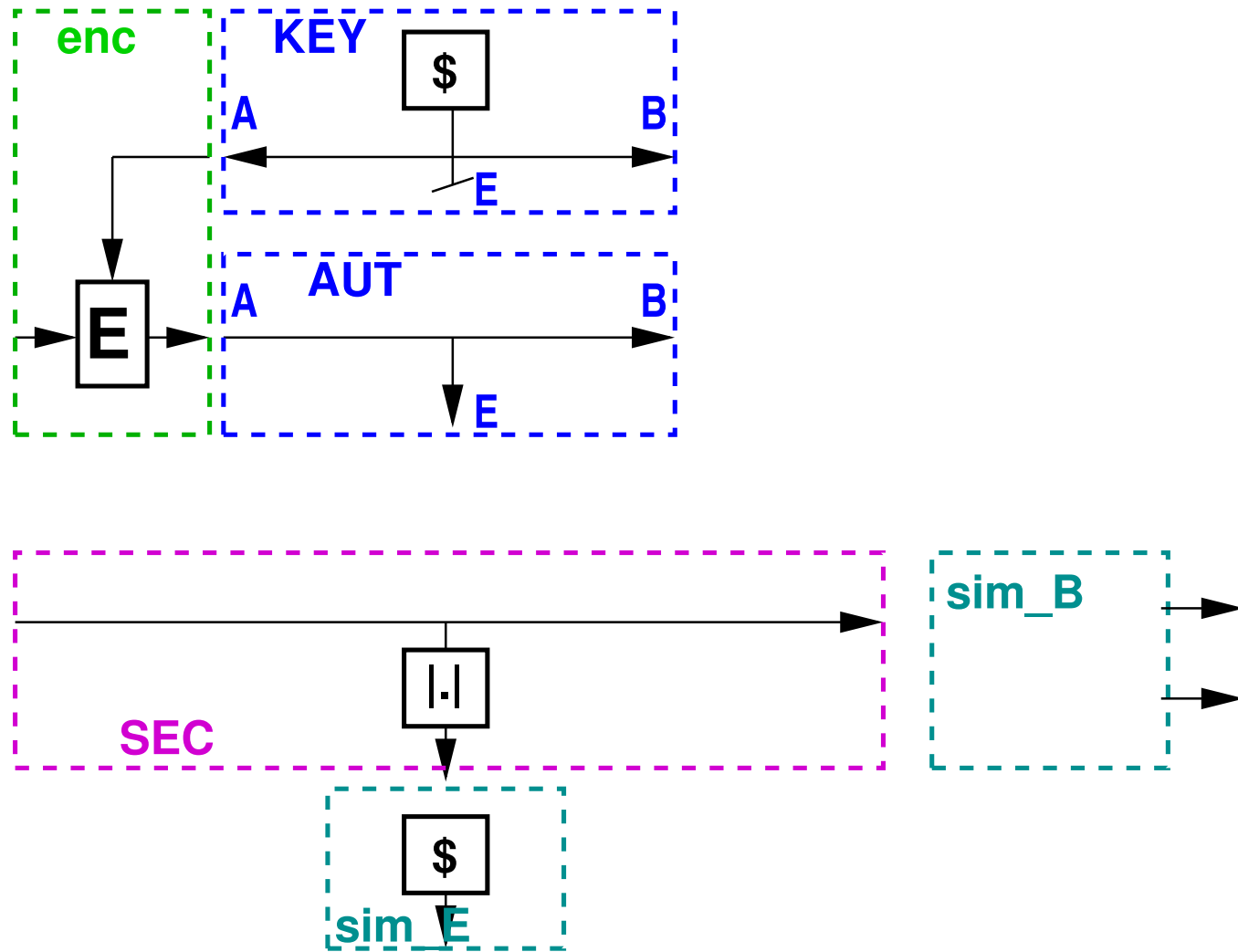
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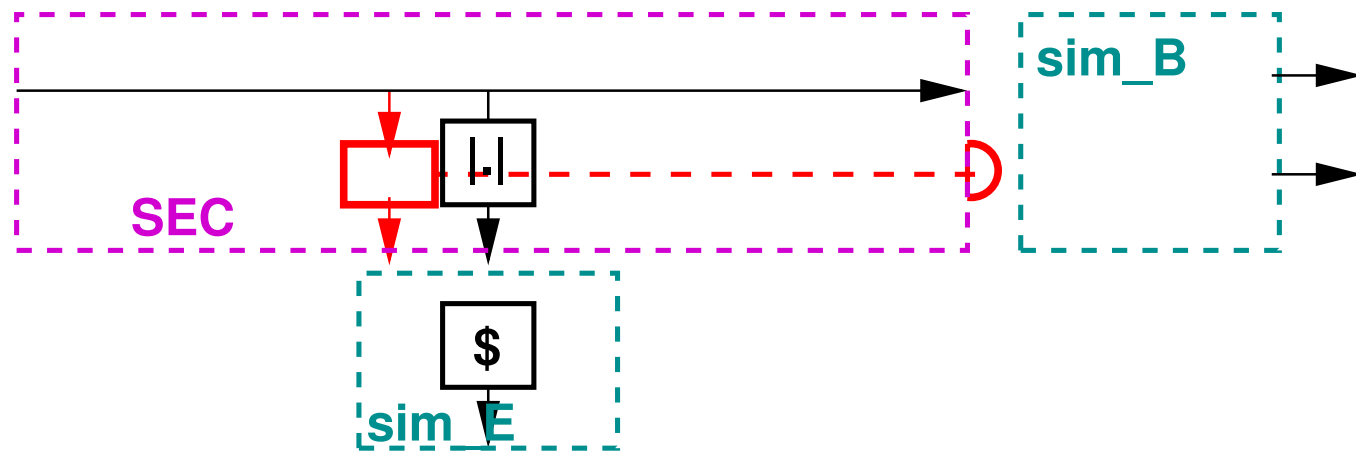
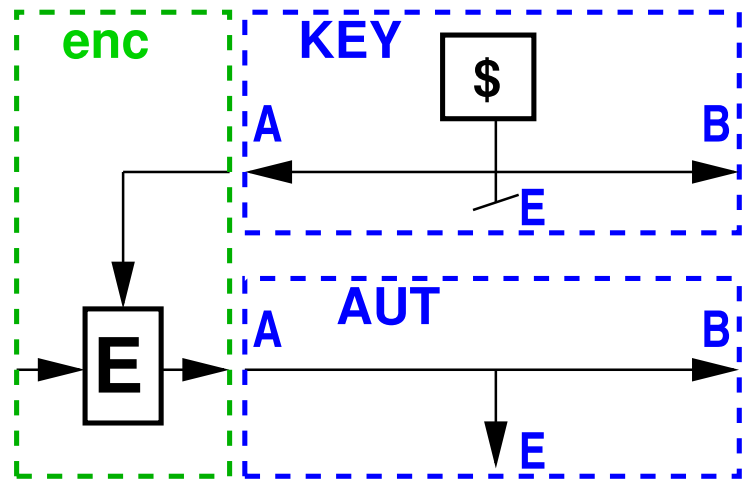
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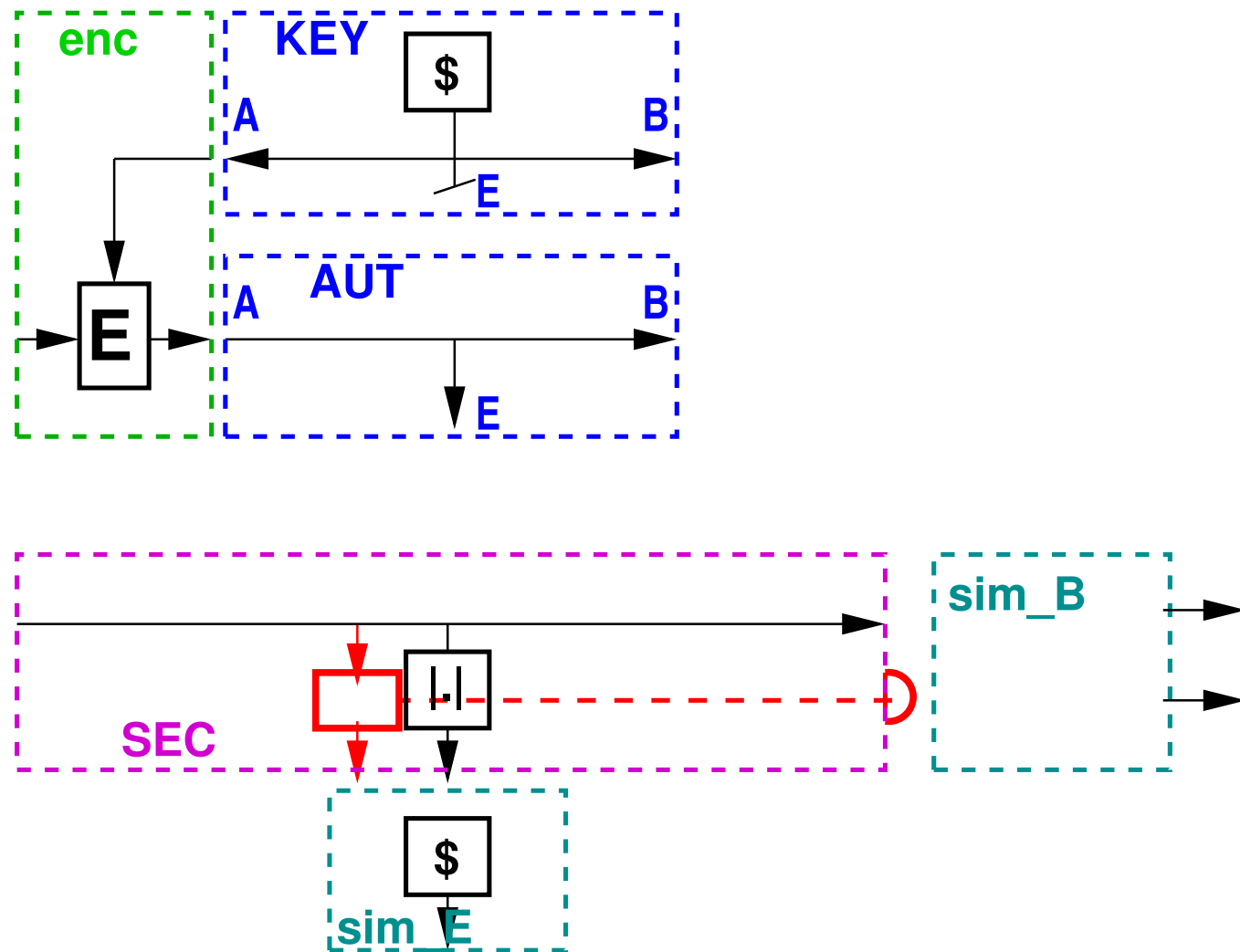
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Thank you!

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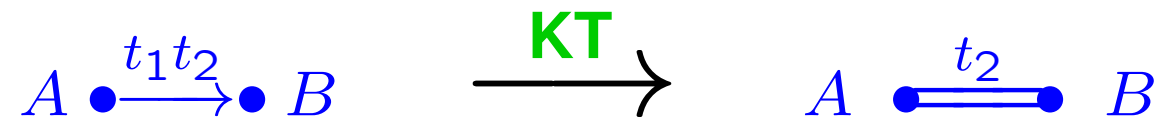
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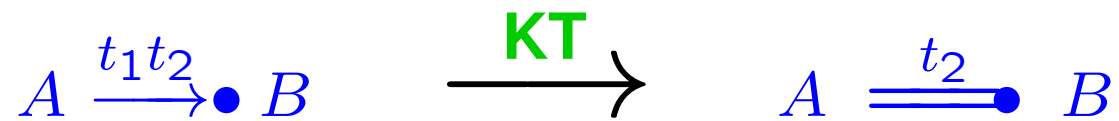
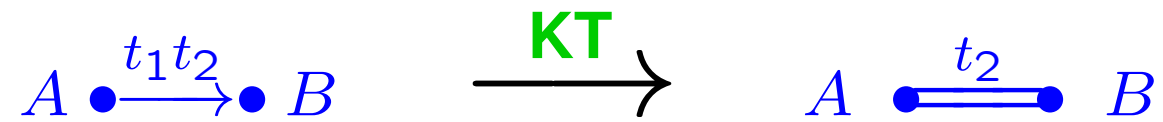
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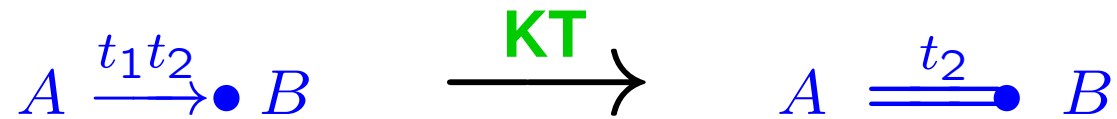
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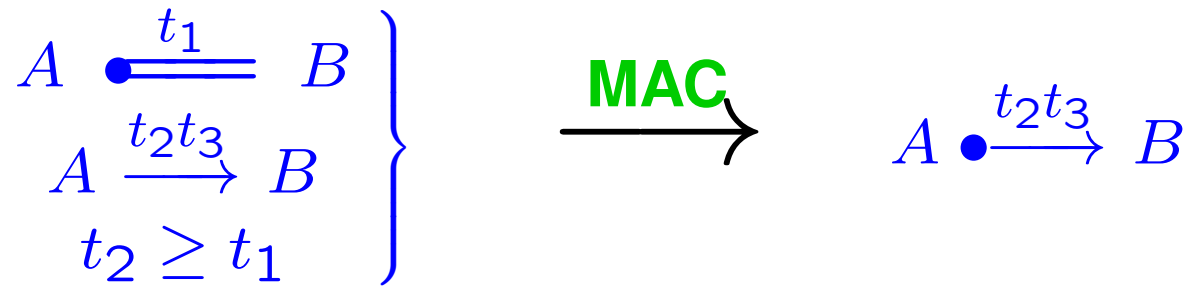
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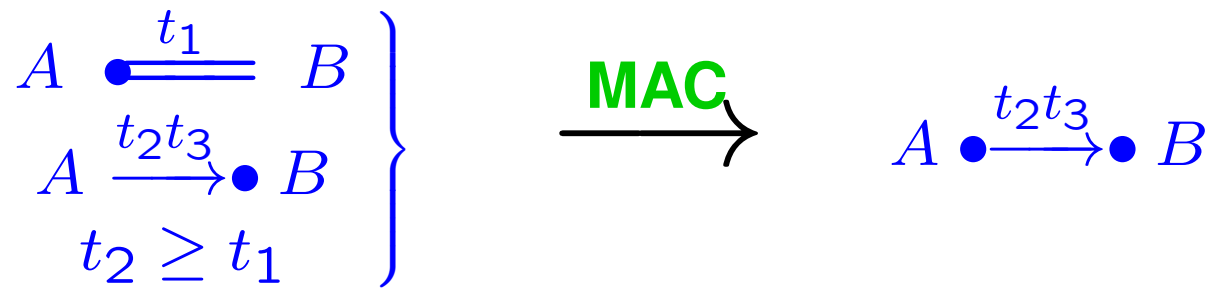
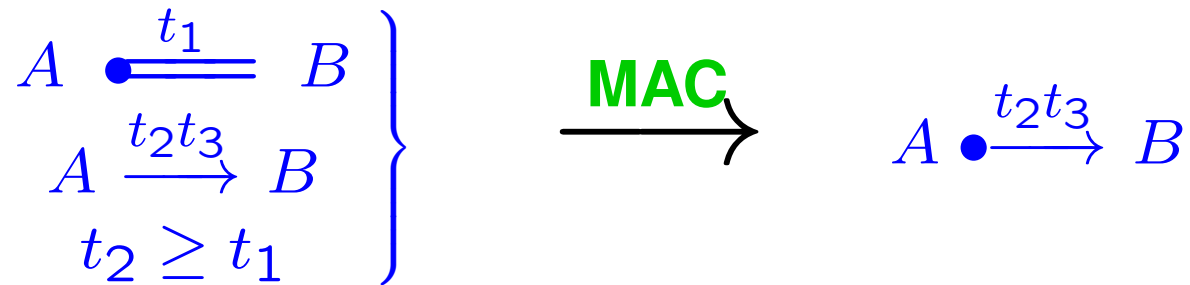
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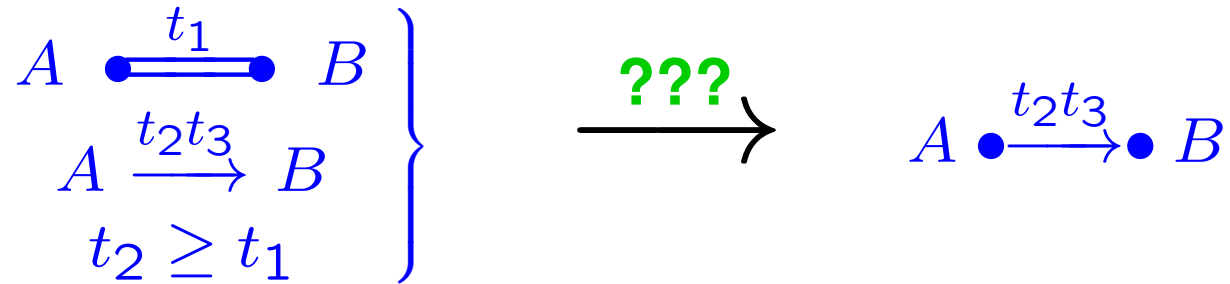


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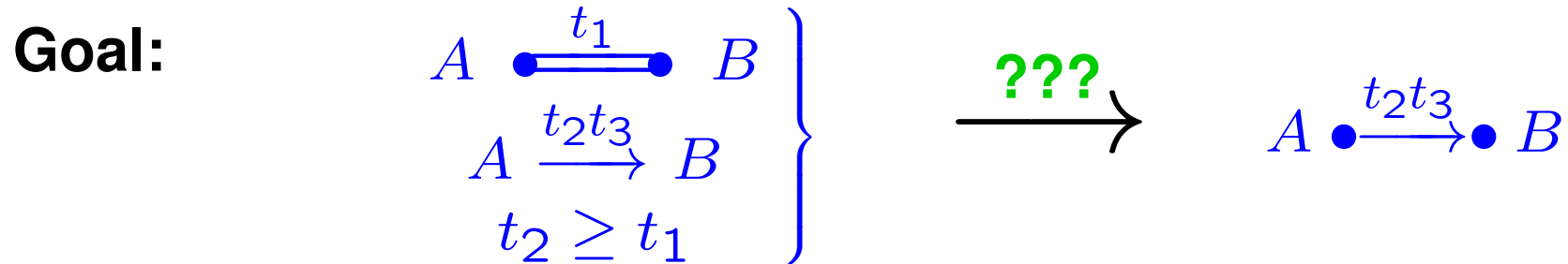


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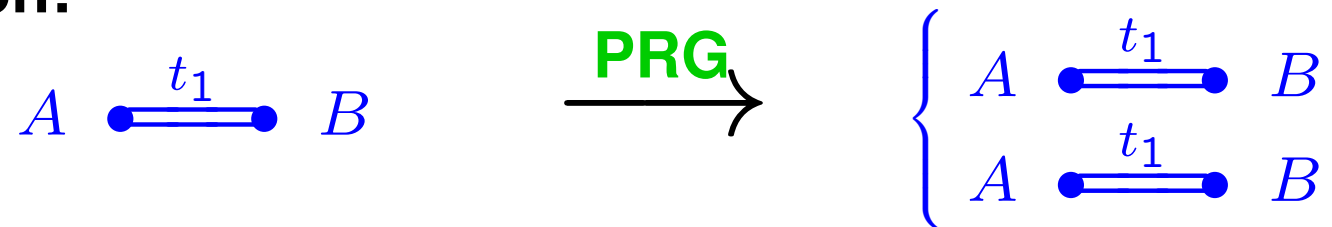
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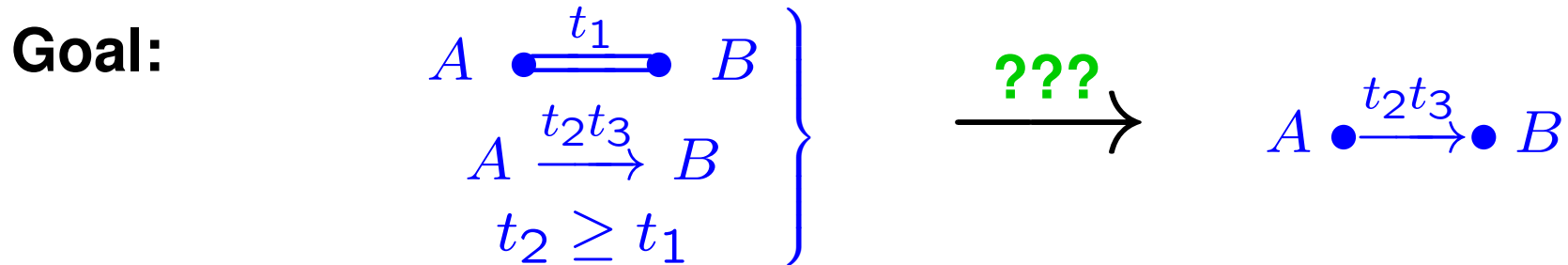
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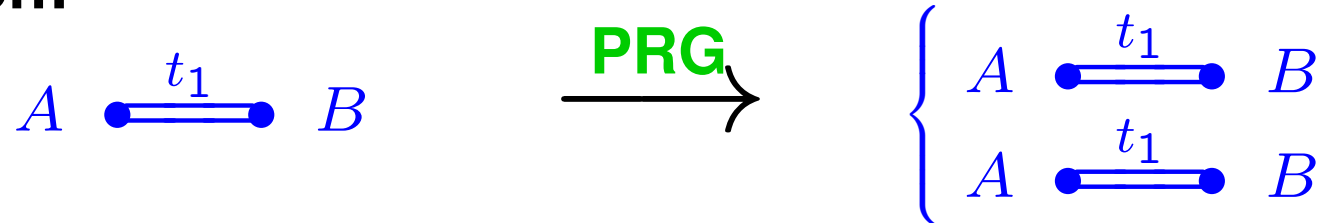
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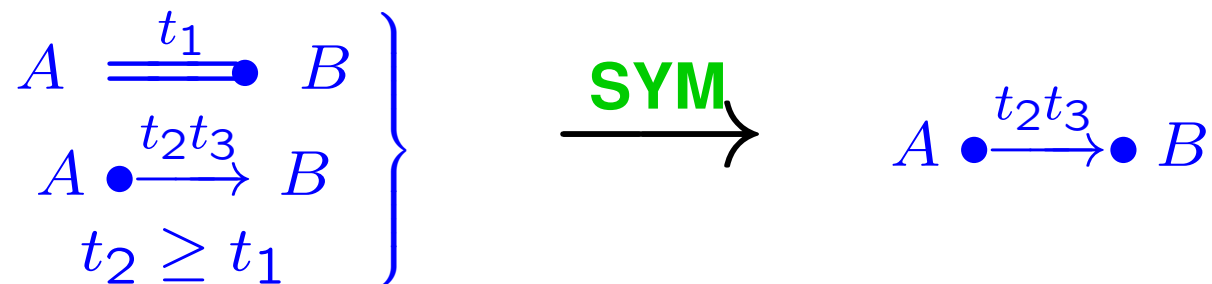
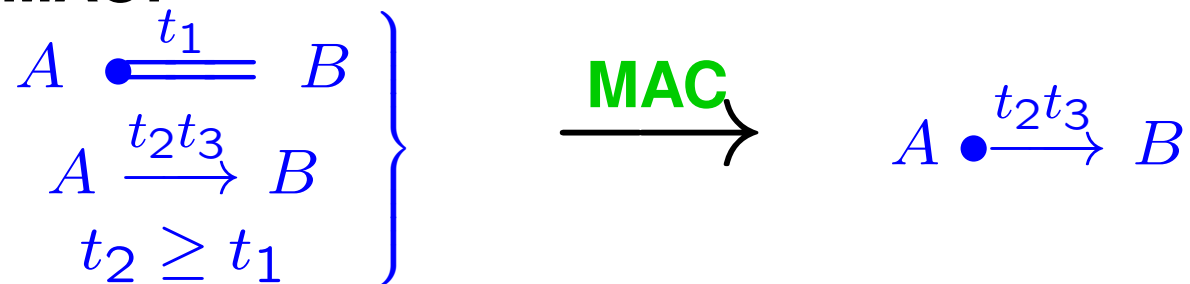
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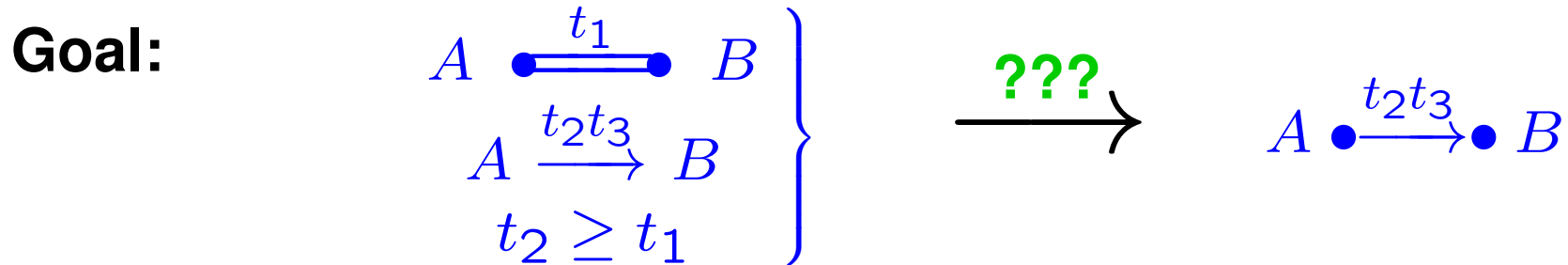
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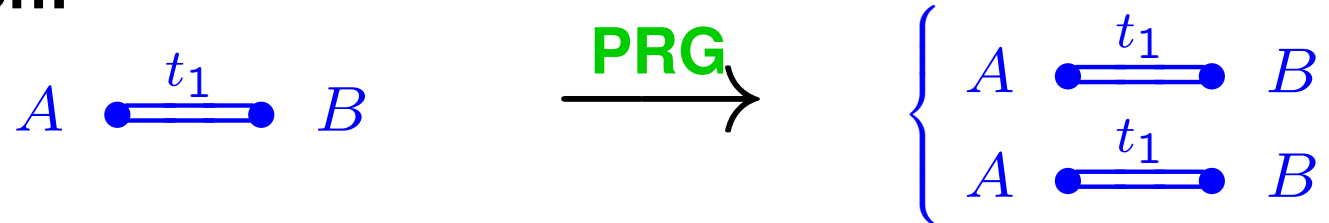
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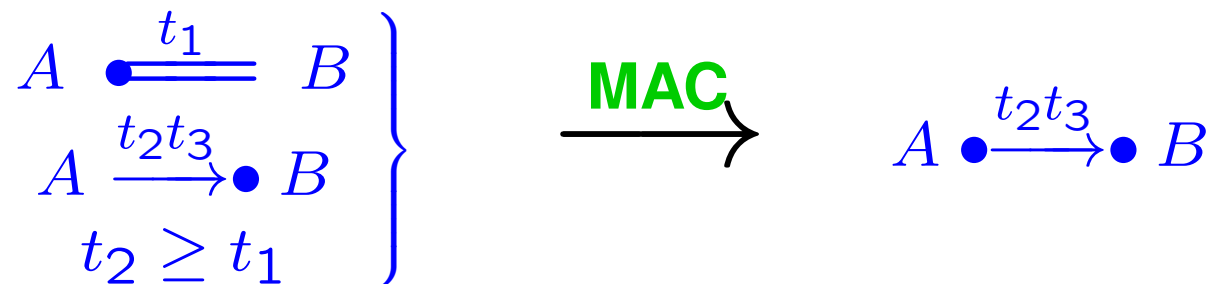
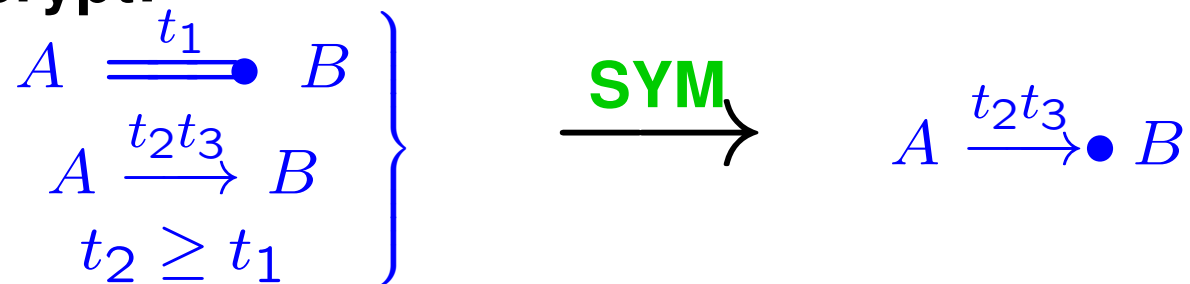
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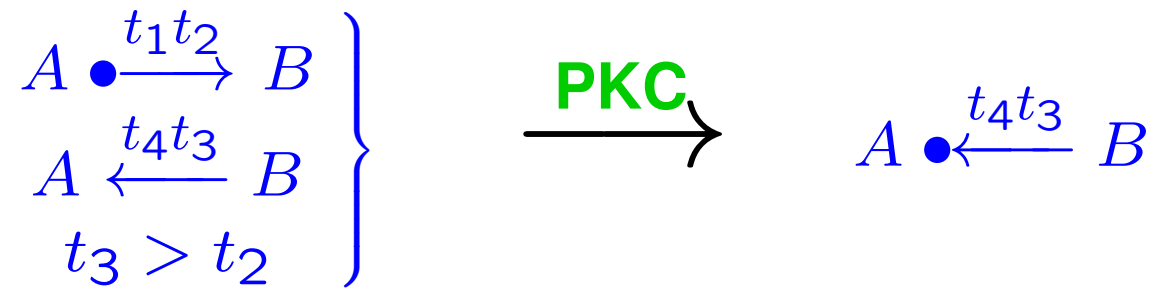
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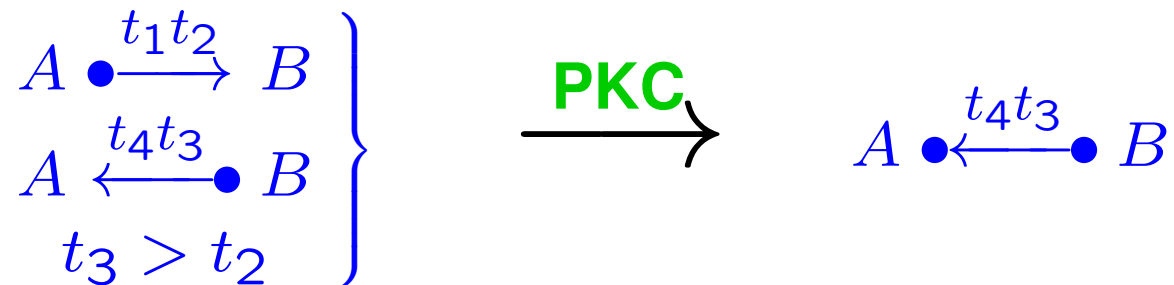
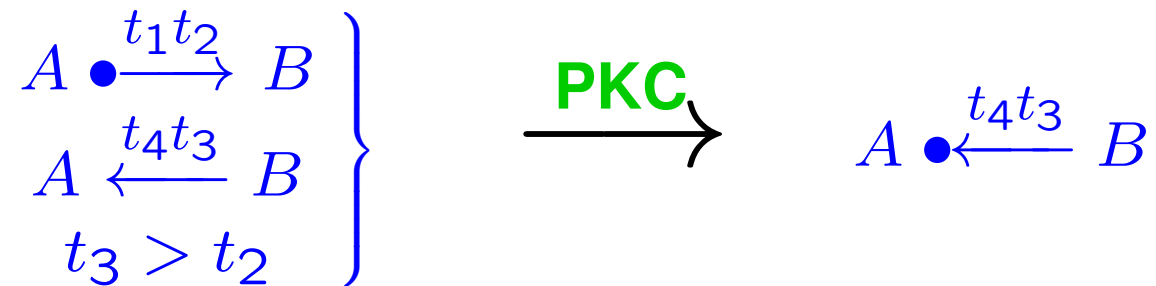
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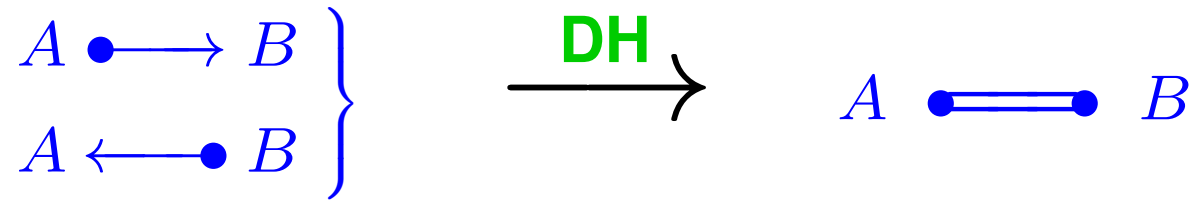
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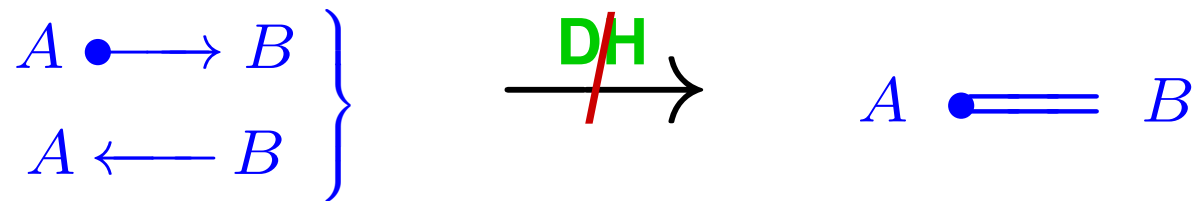
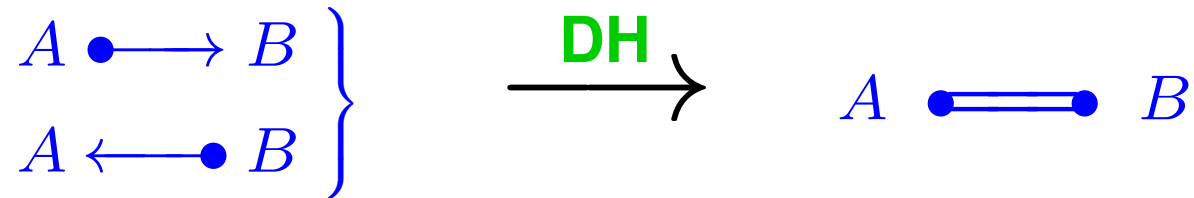
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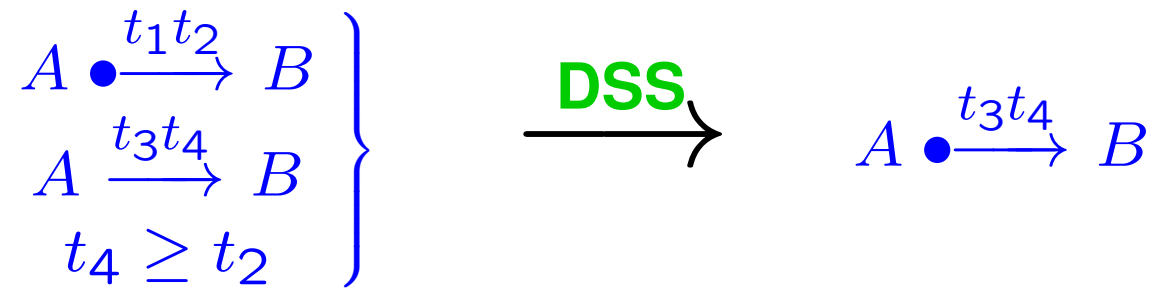
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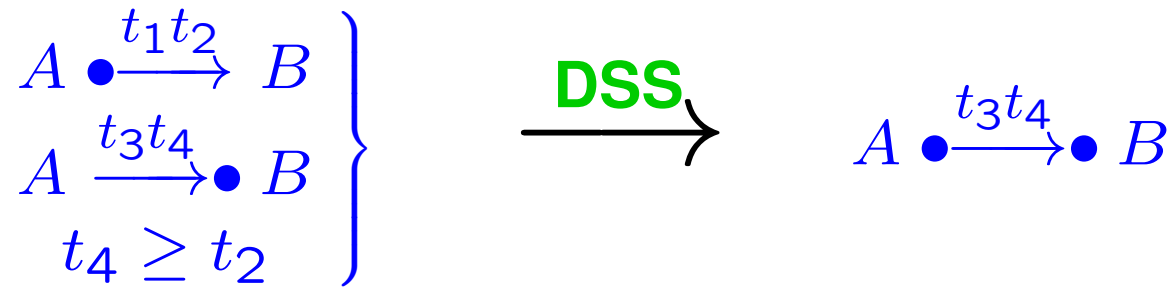
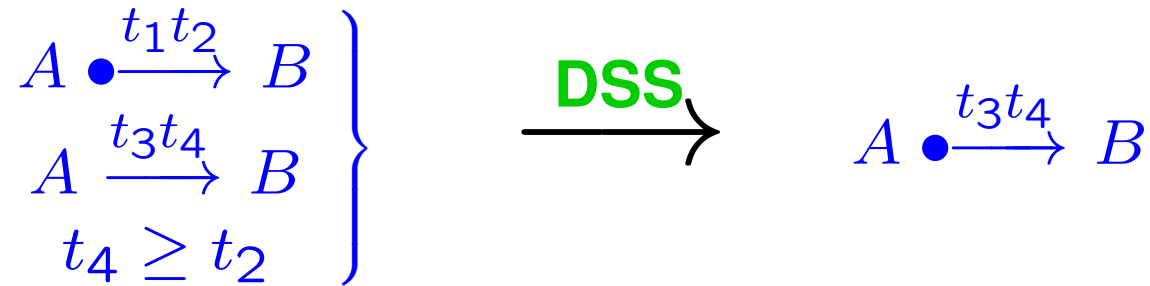
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