

Preorder-Constrained Simulation

(Early Idea)

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- Overview
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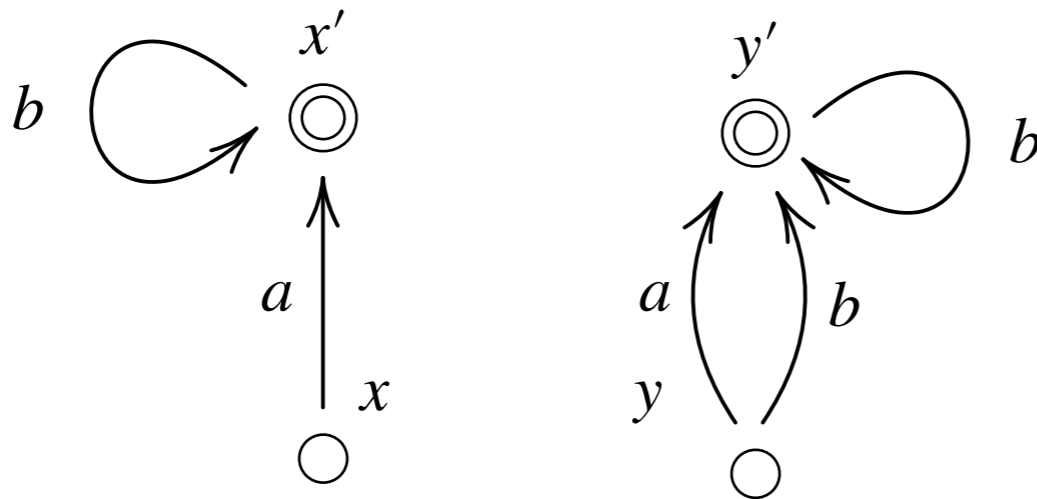
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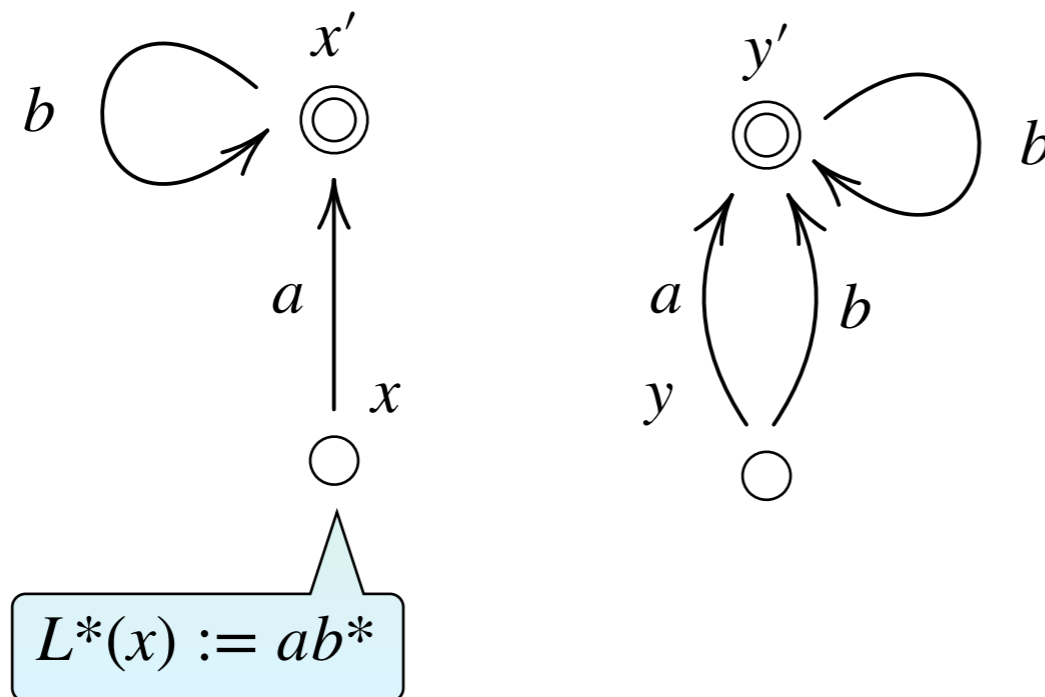
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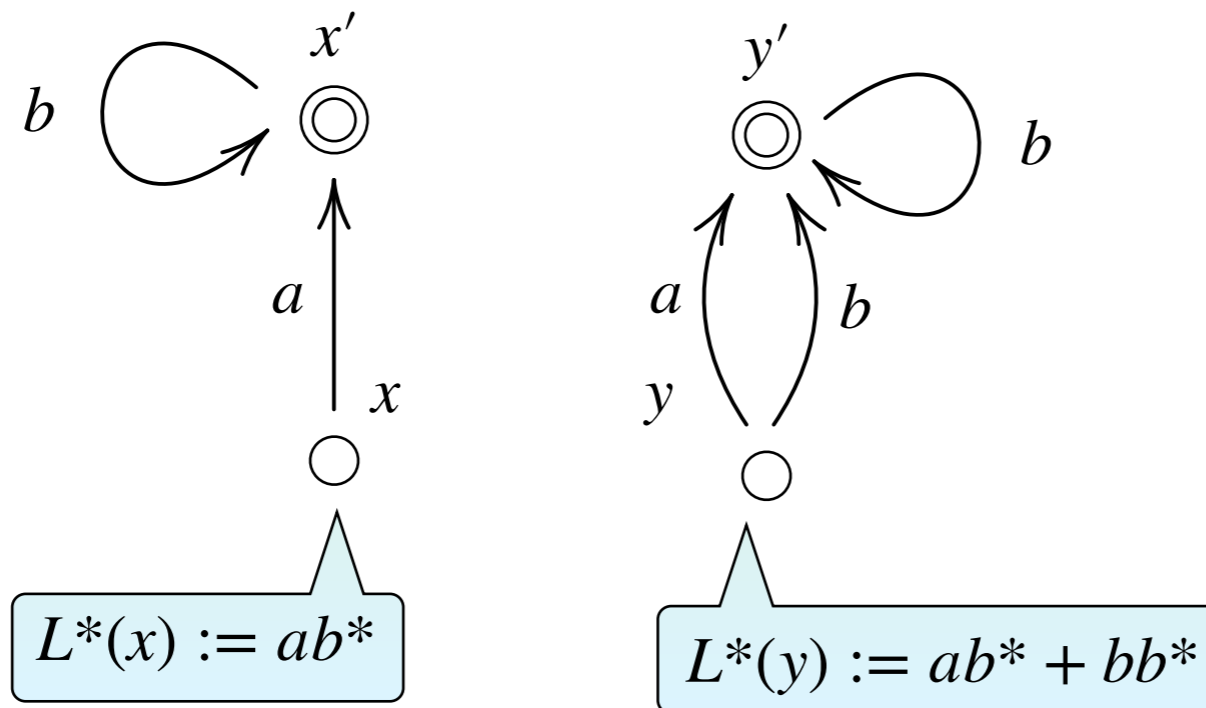
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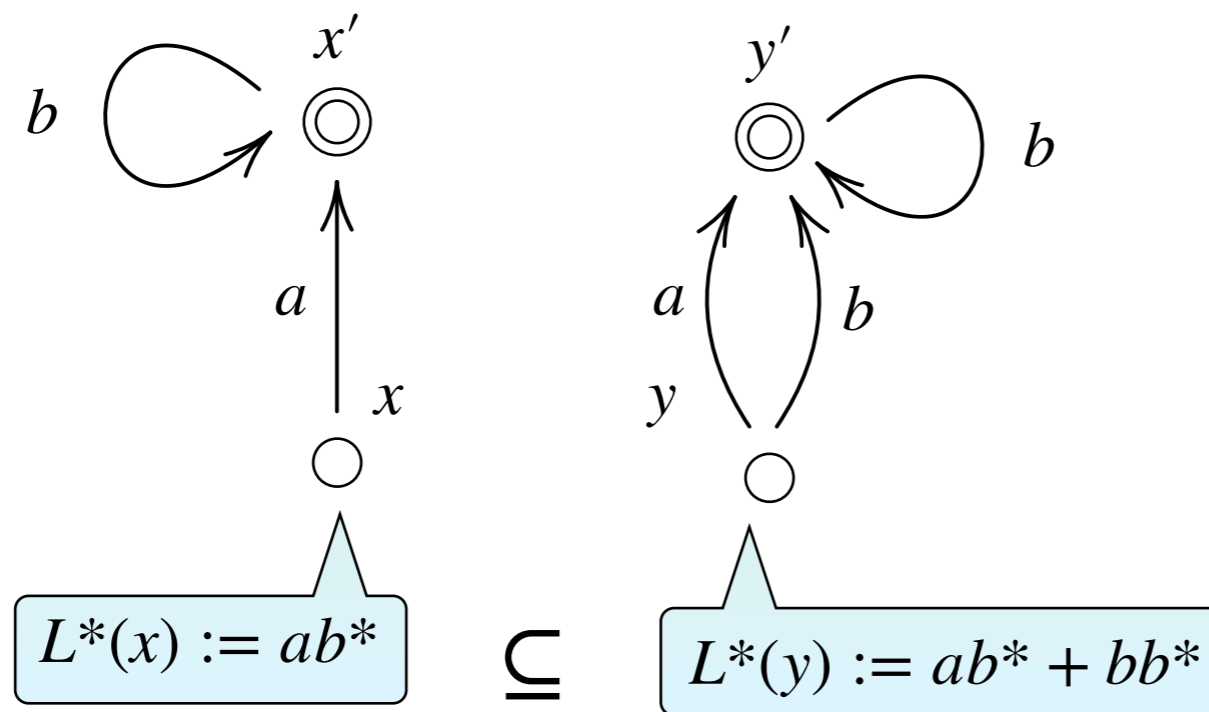
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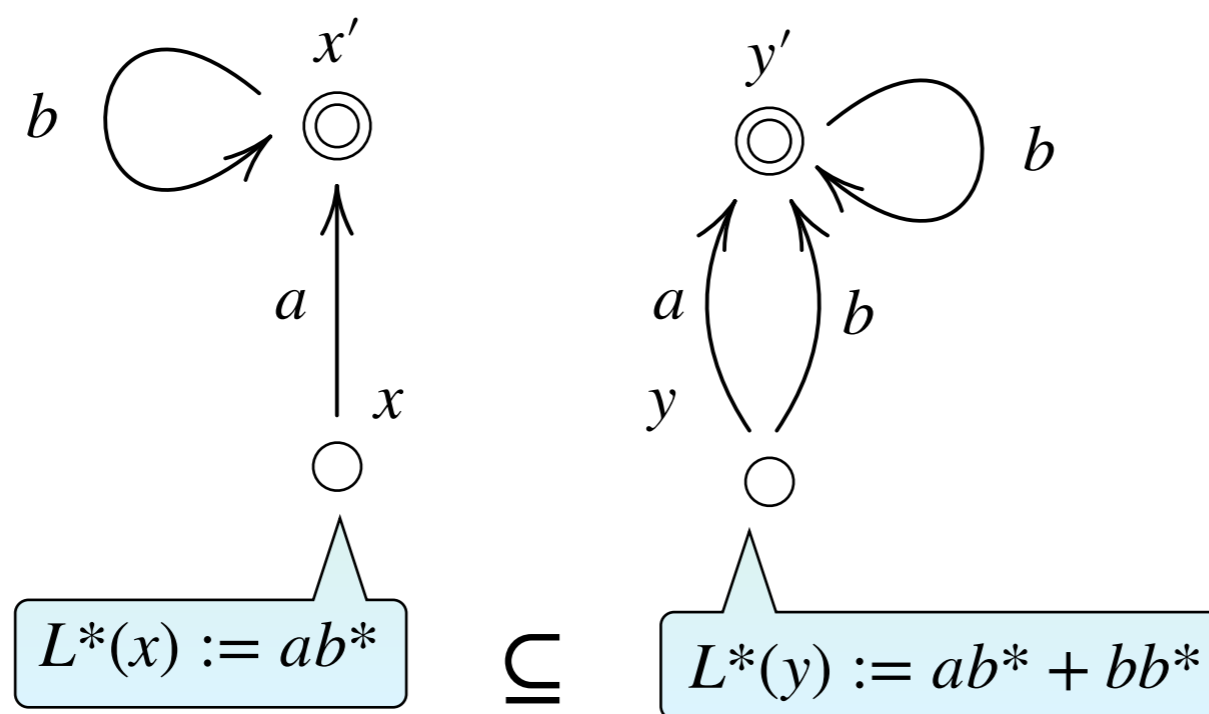


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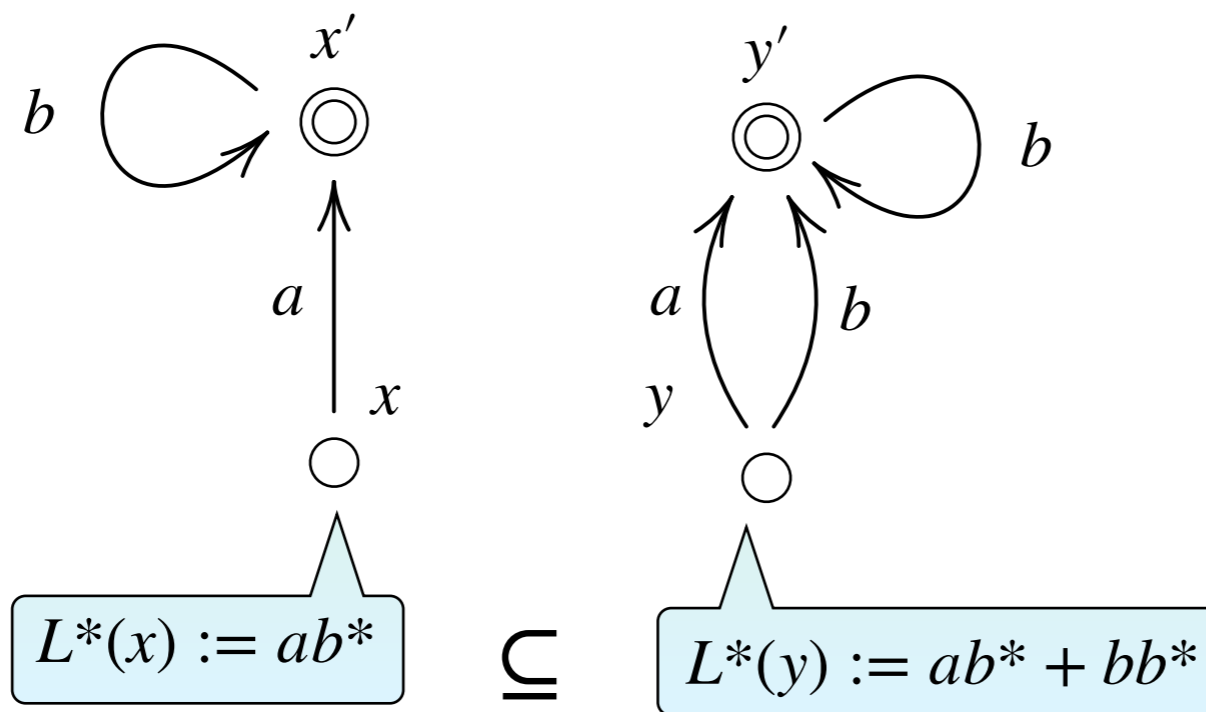
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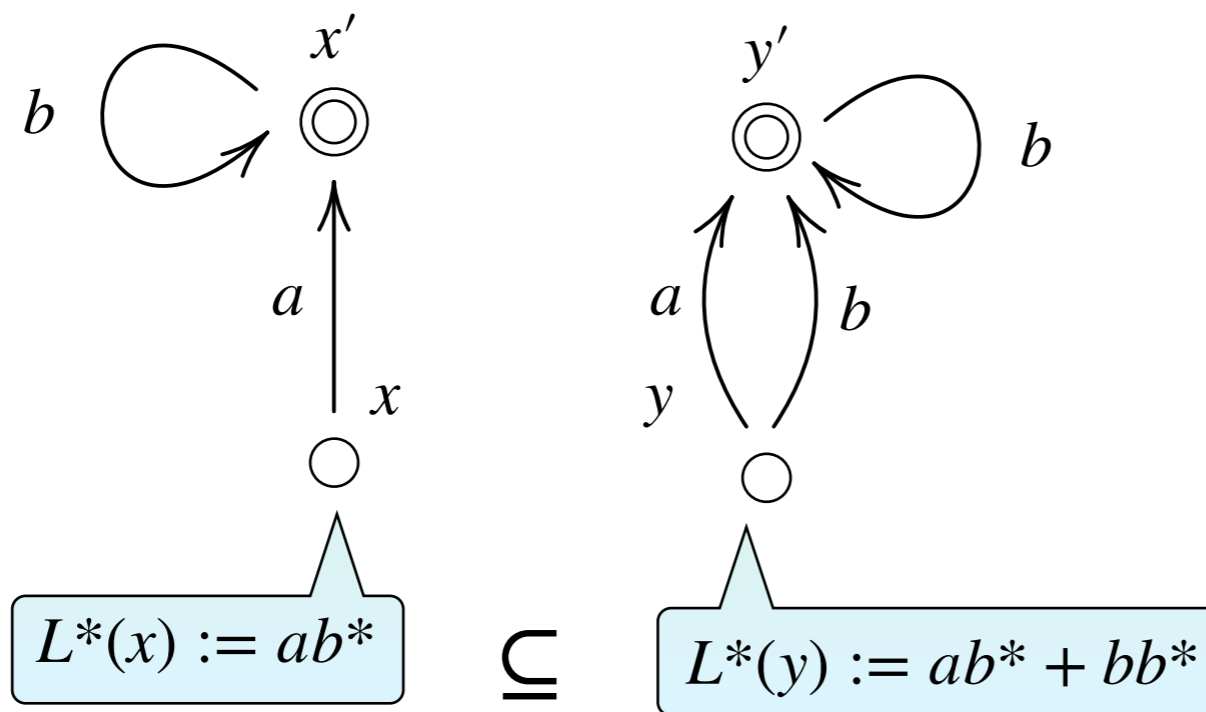
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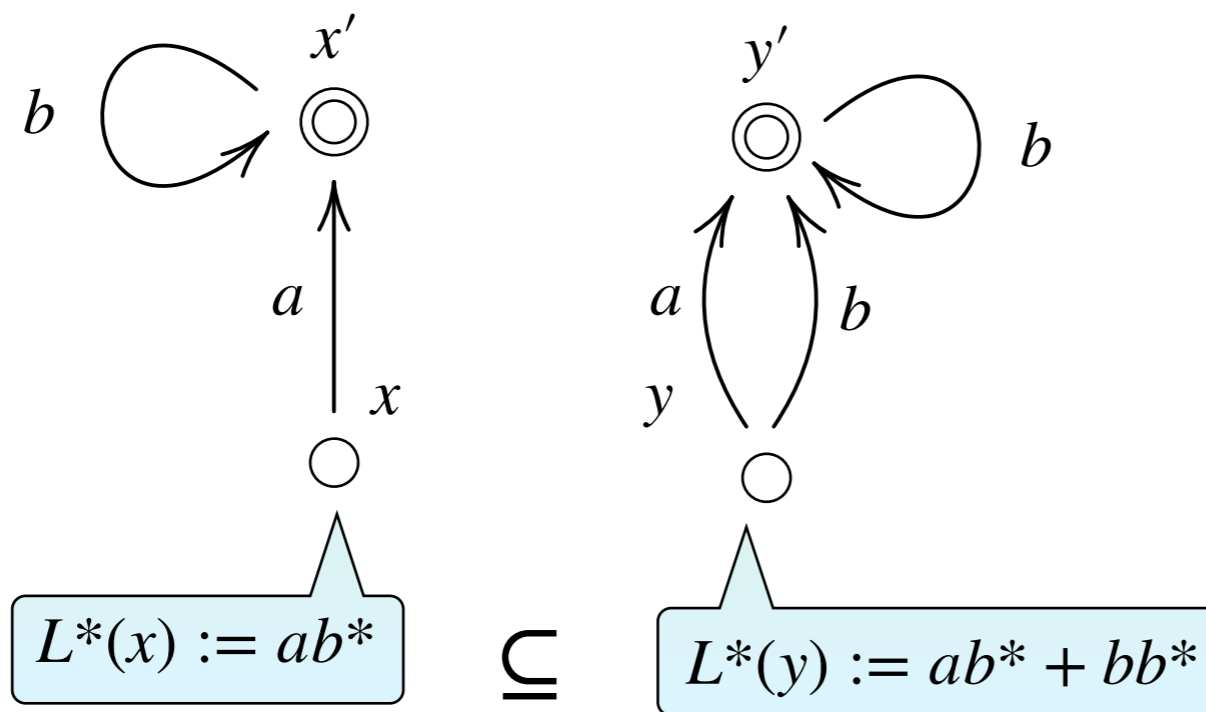
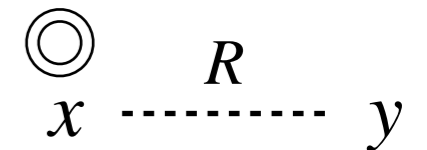
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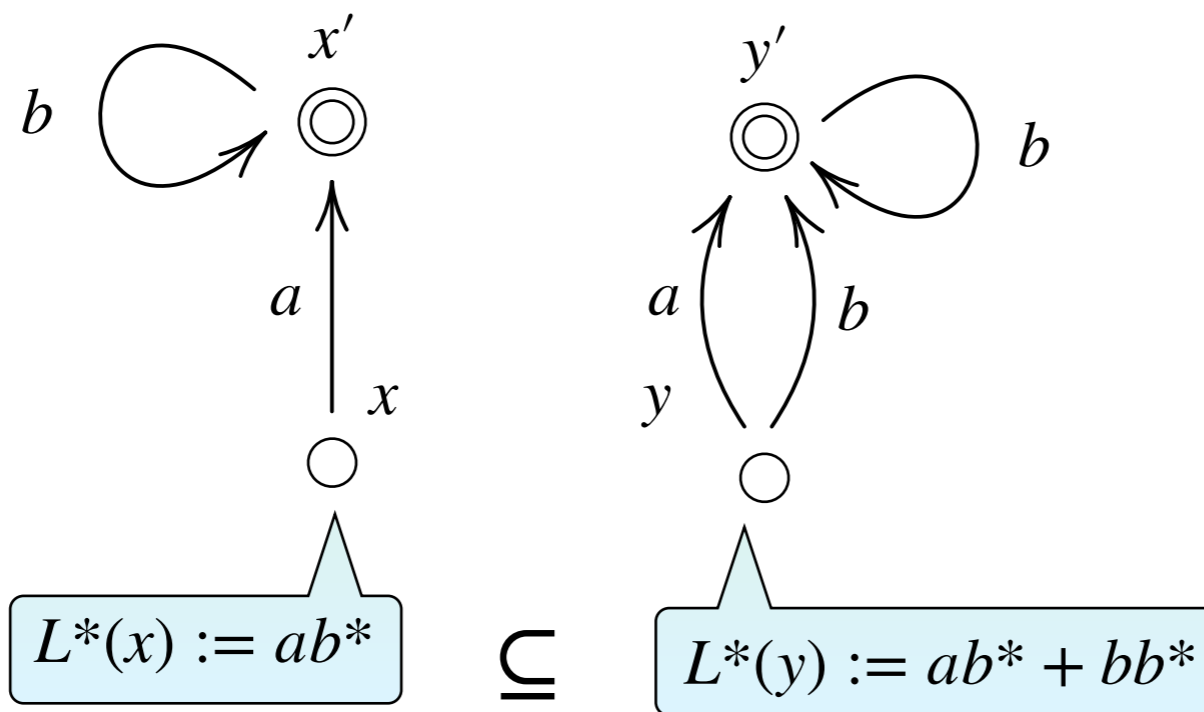
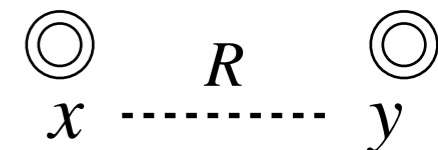
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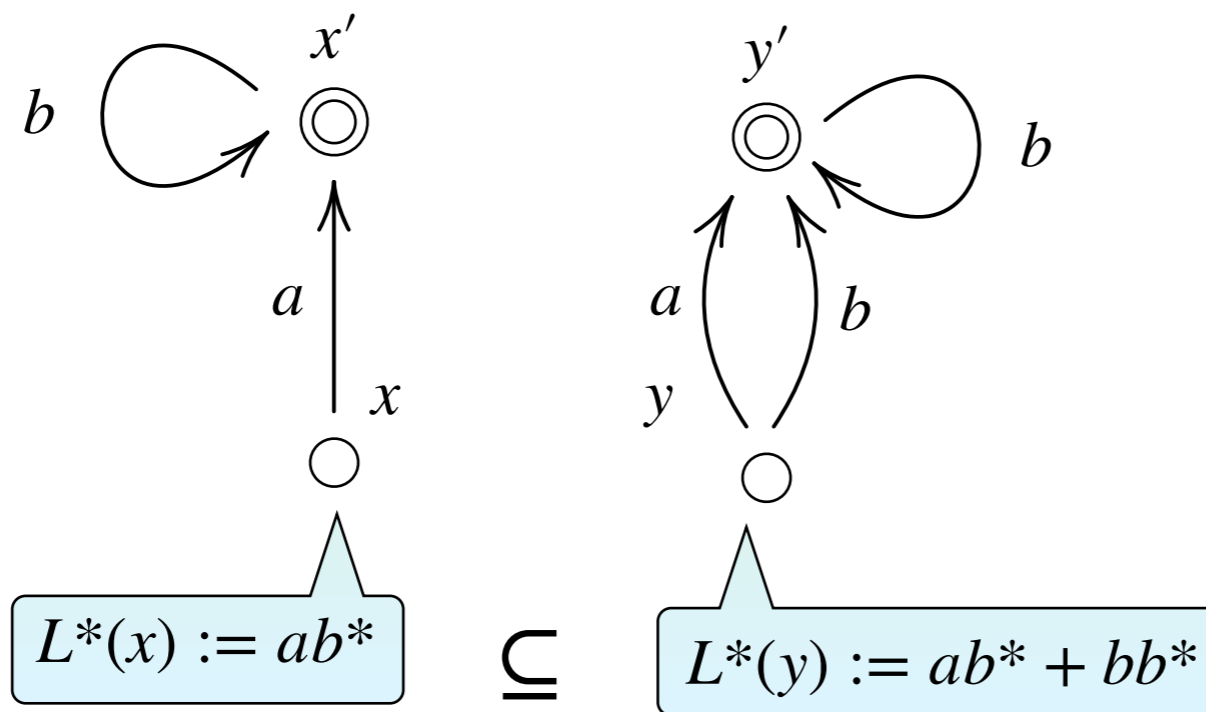
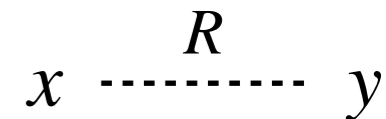
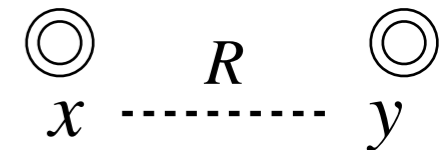
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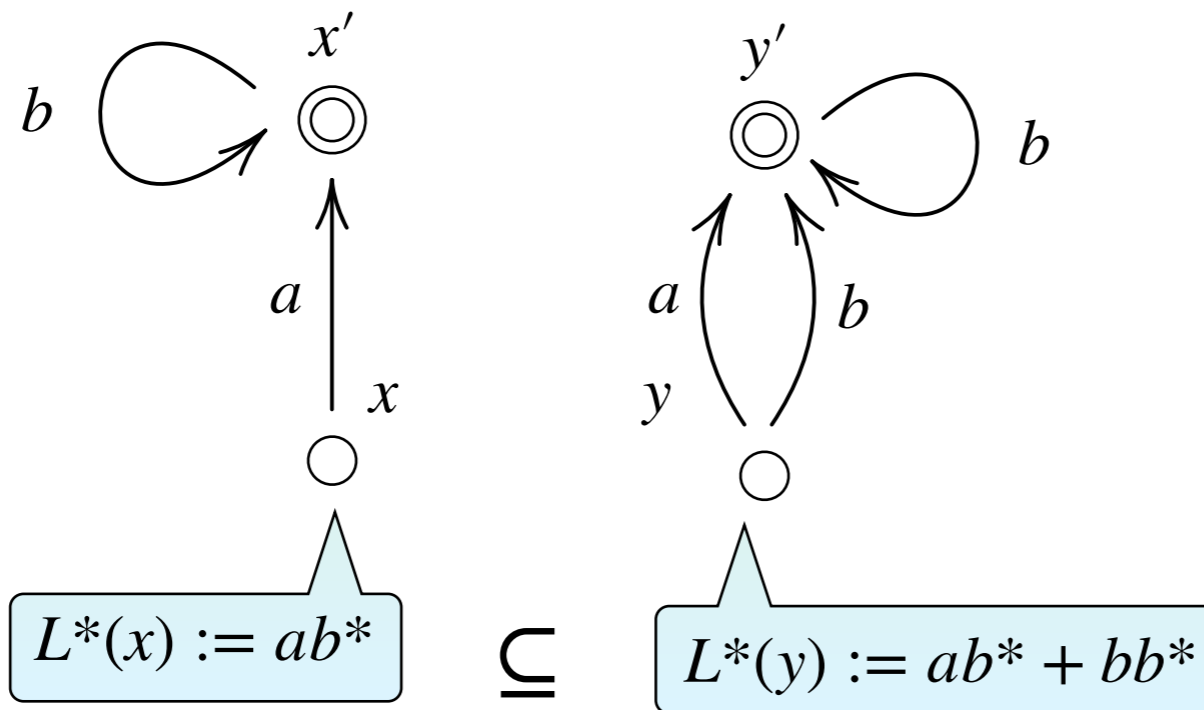
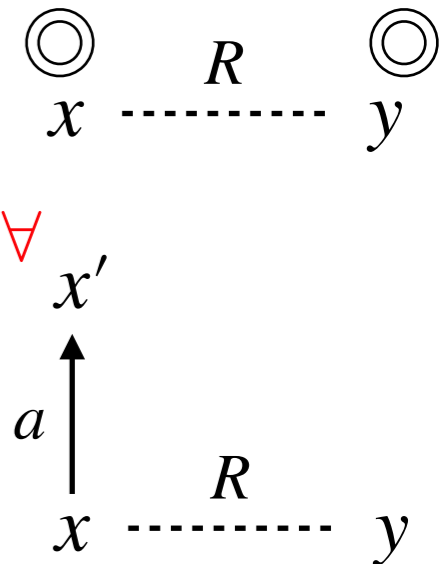
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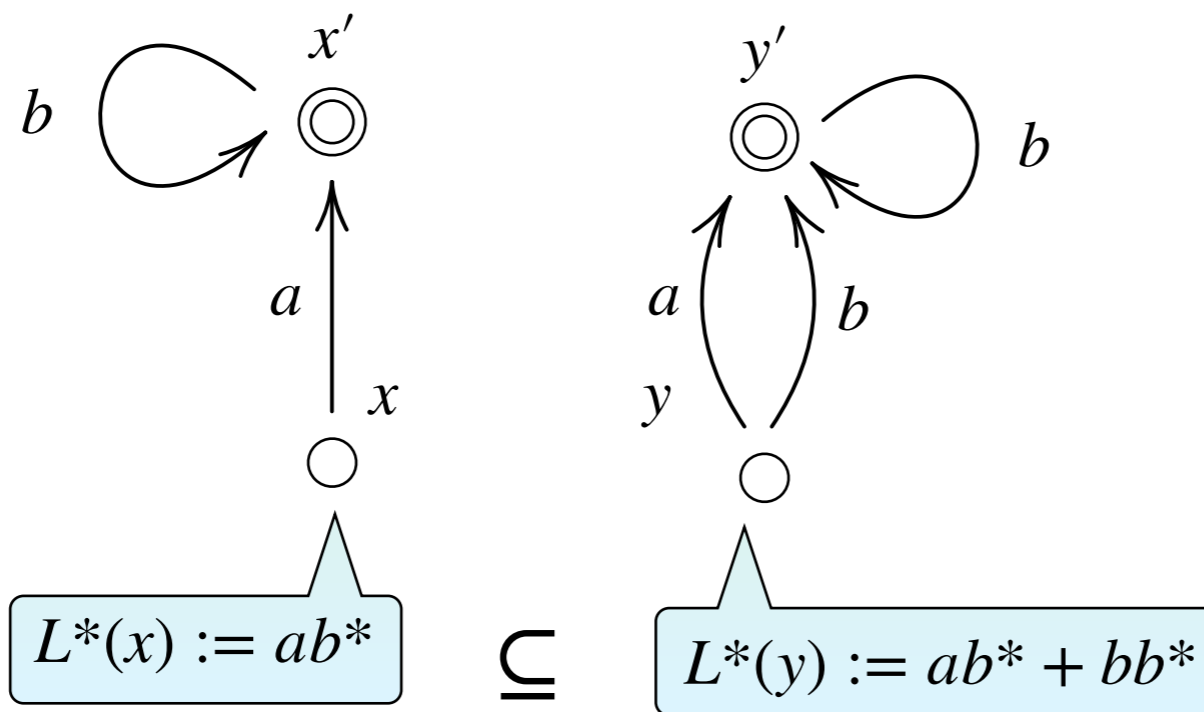
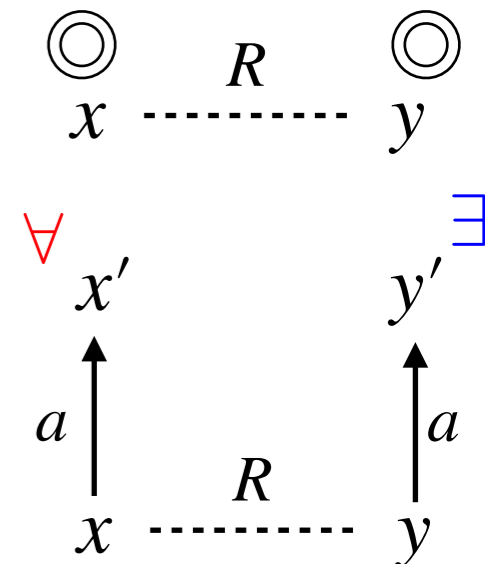
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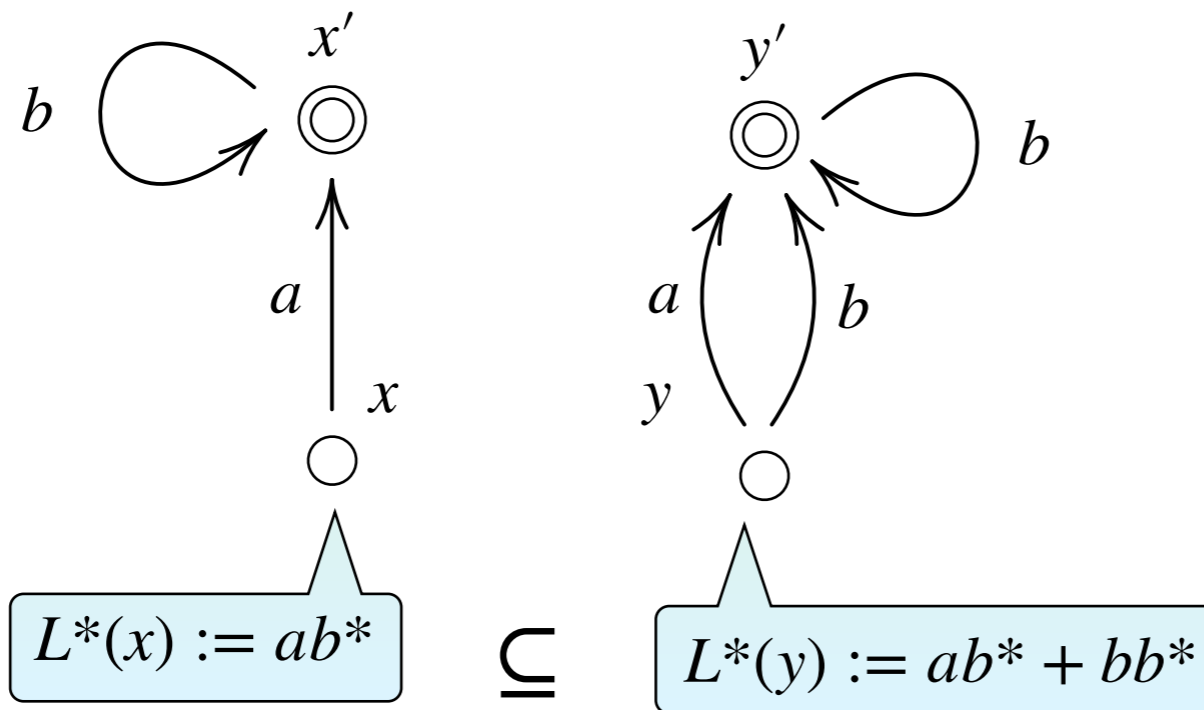
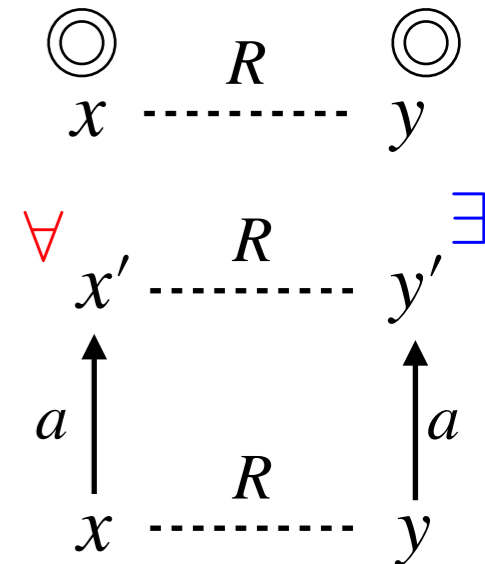
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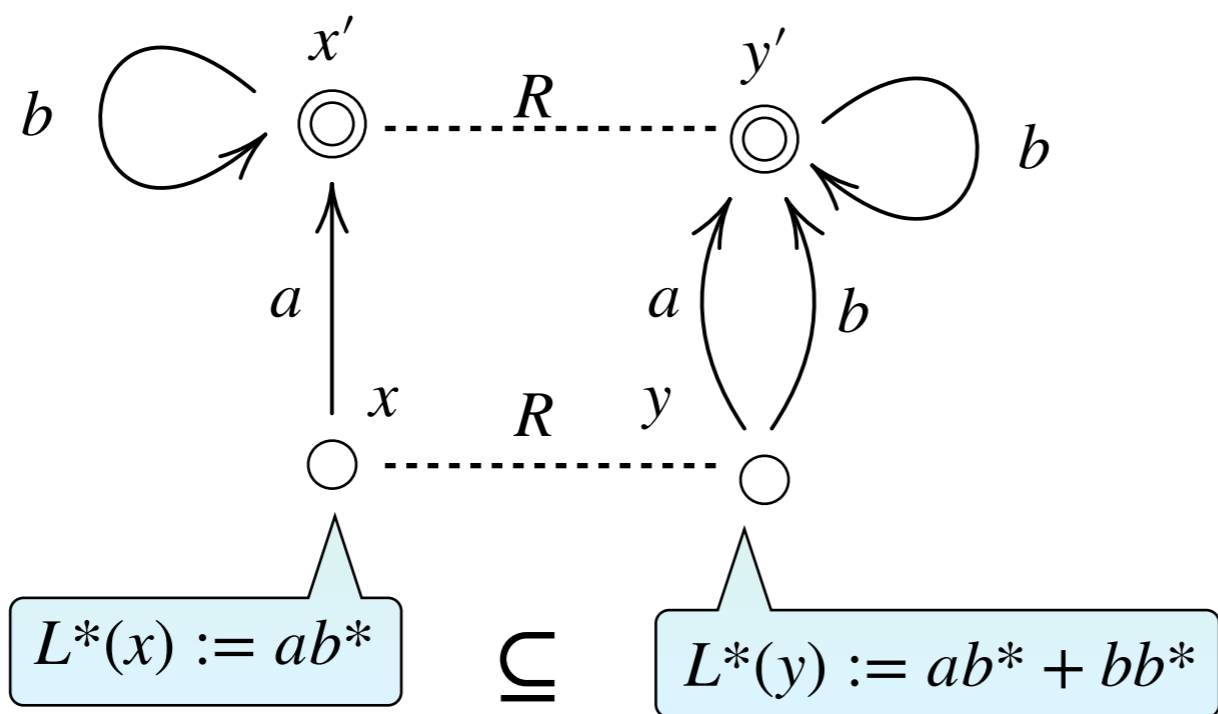
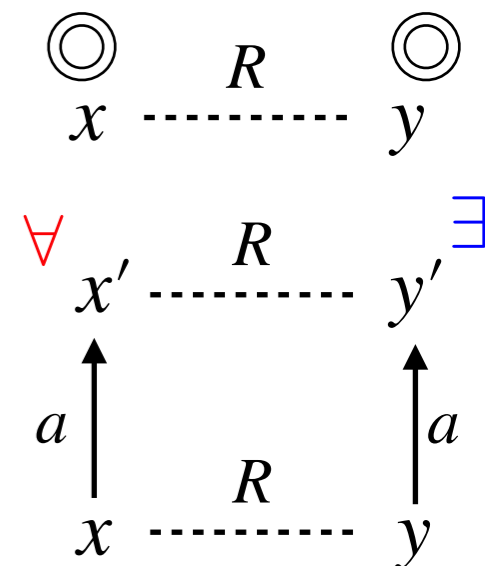
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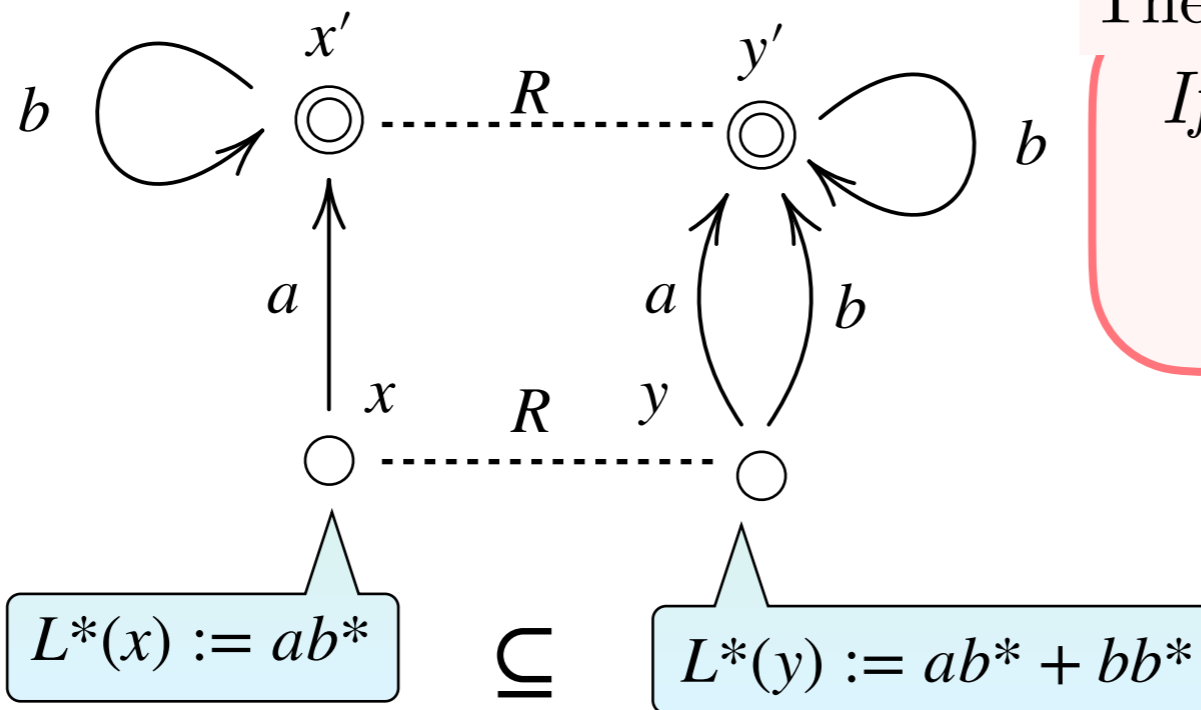
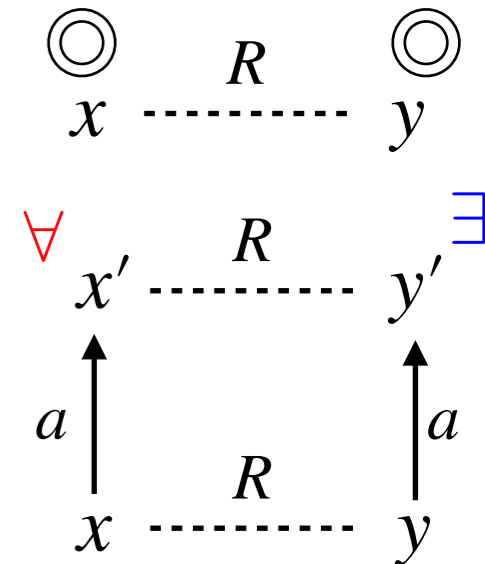
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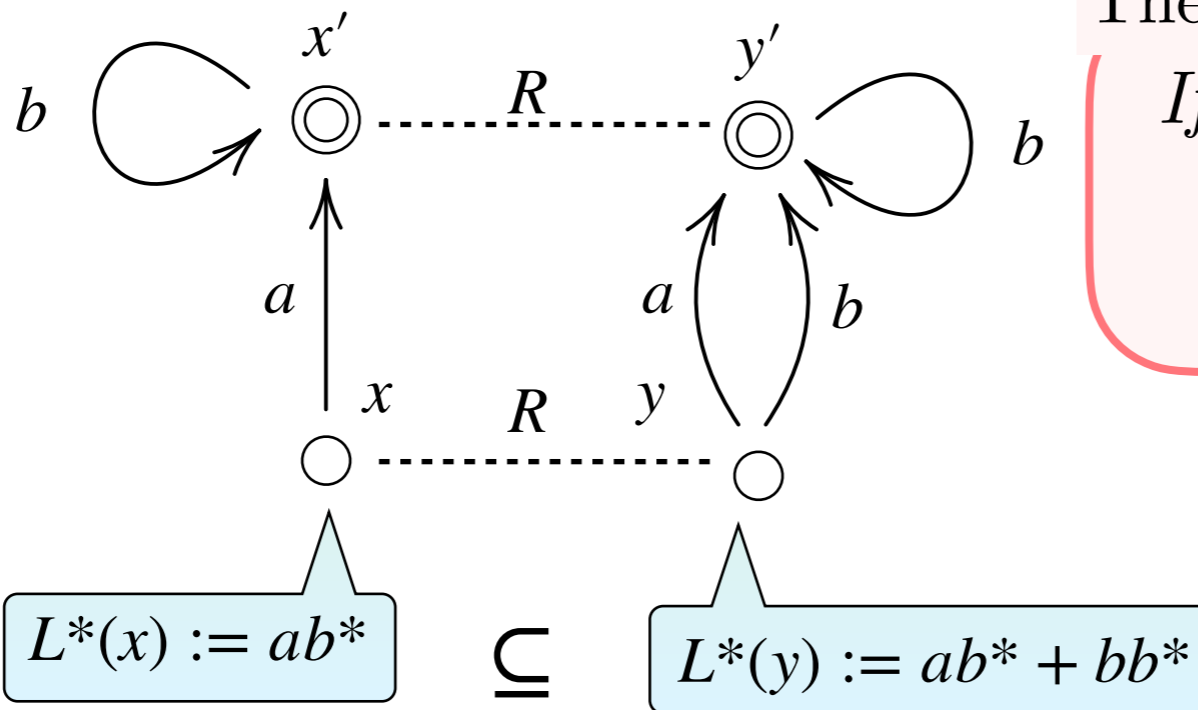
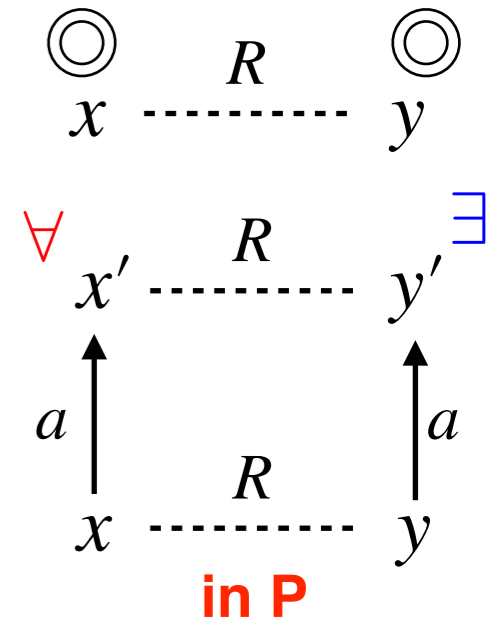
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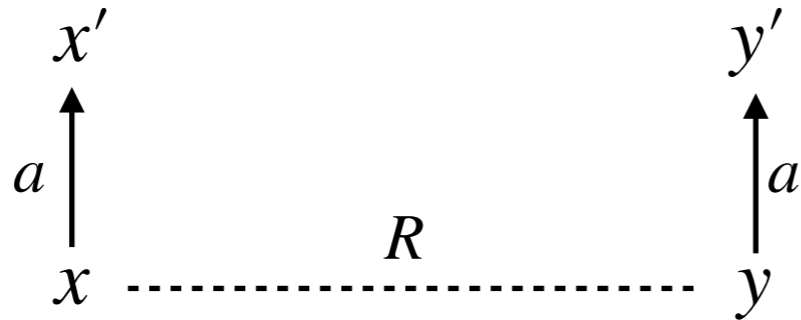
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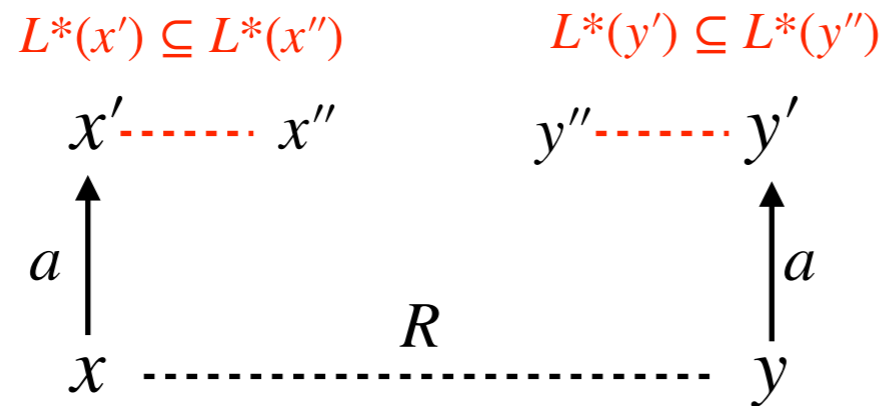
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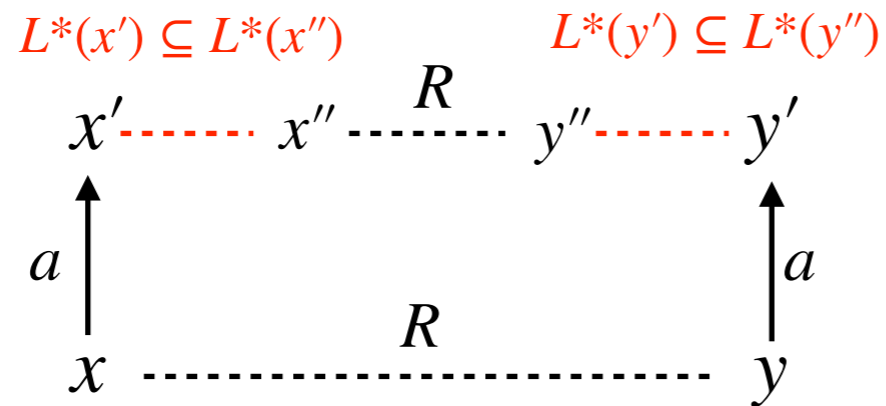
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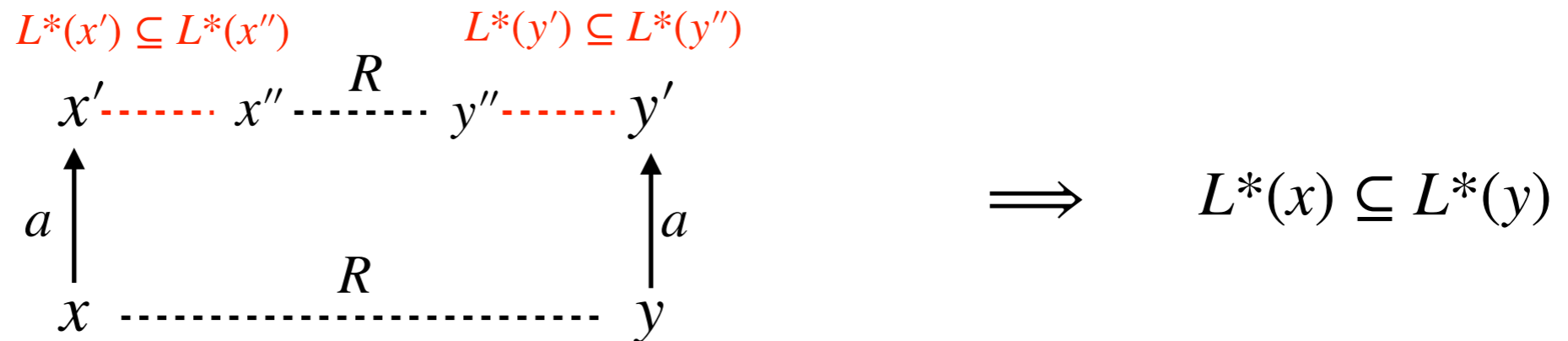
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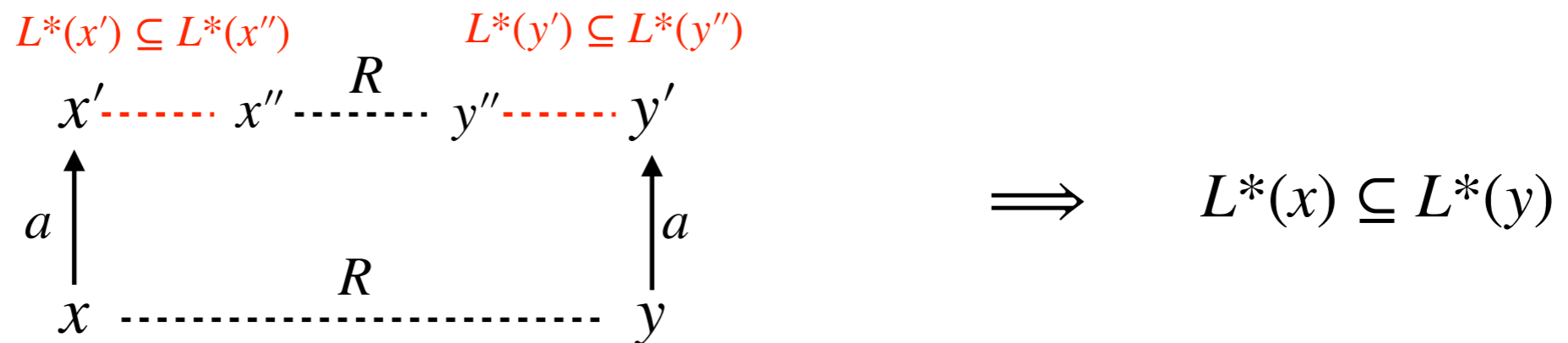
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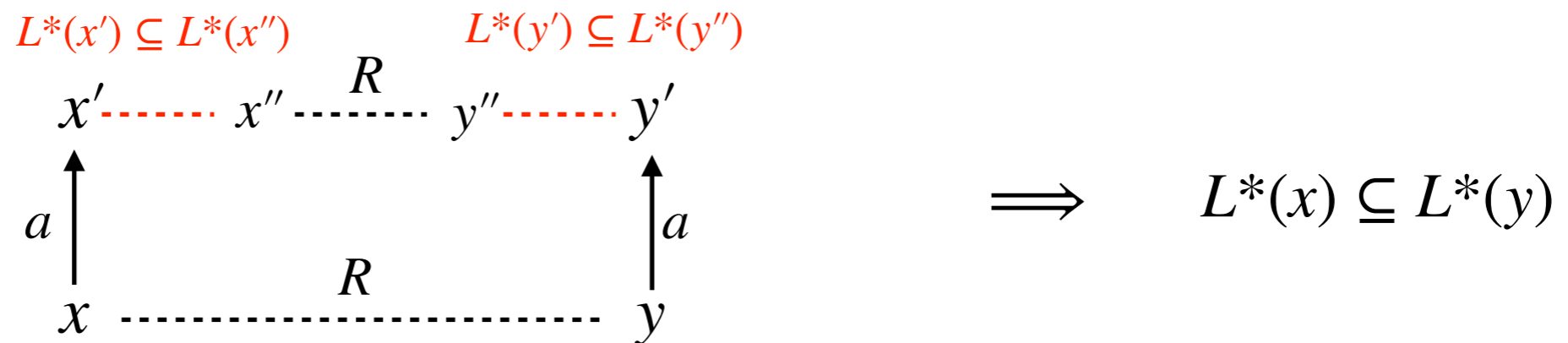
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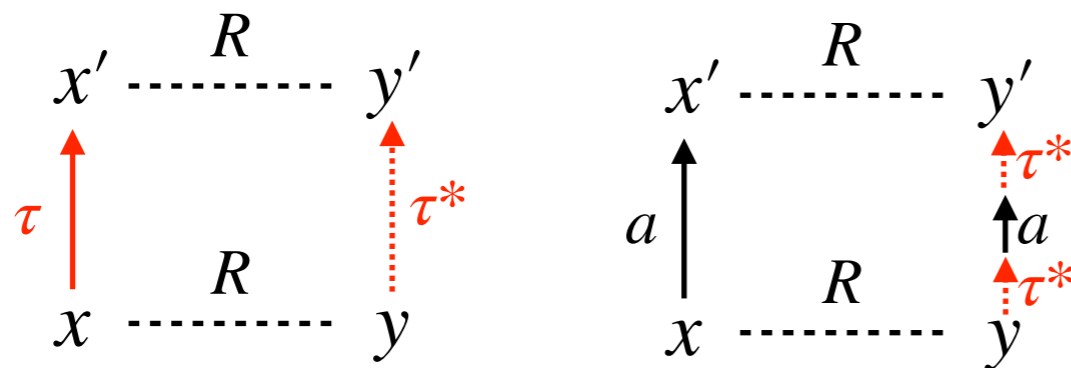
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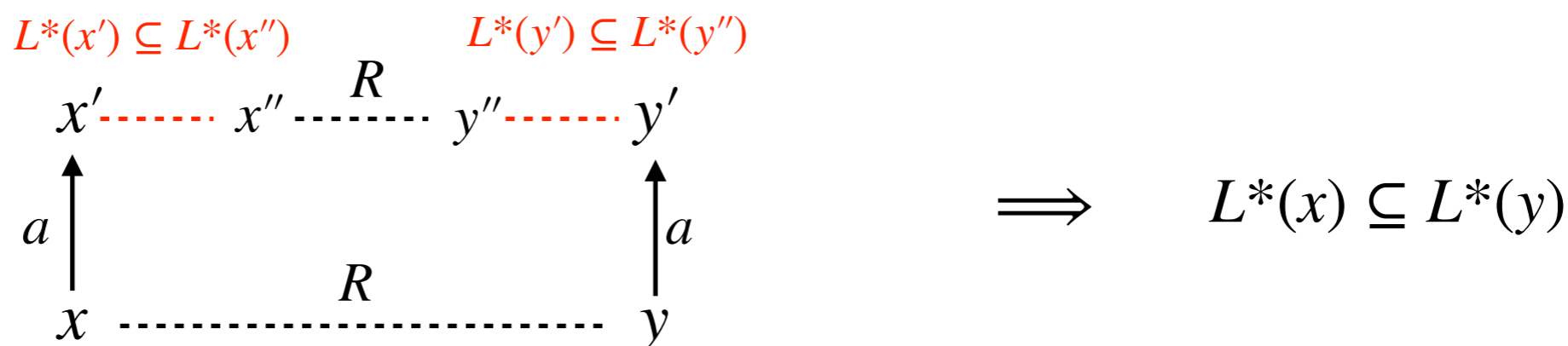
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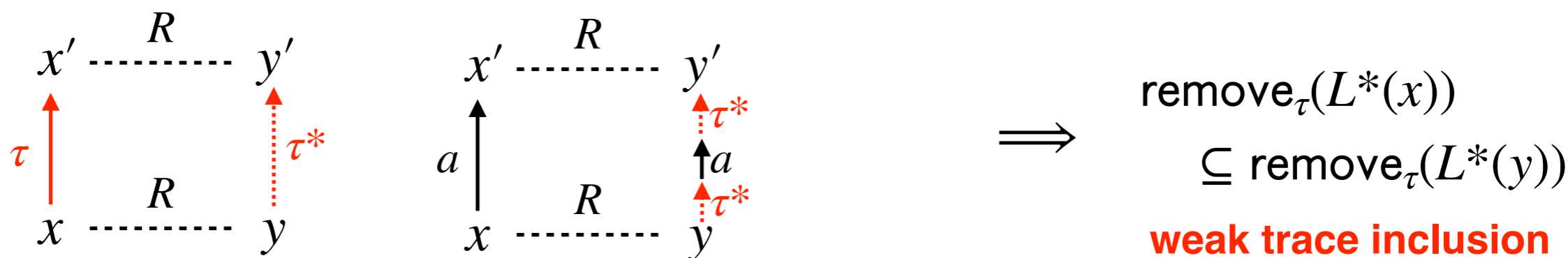
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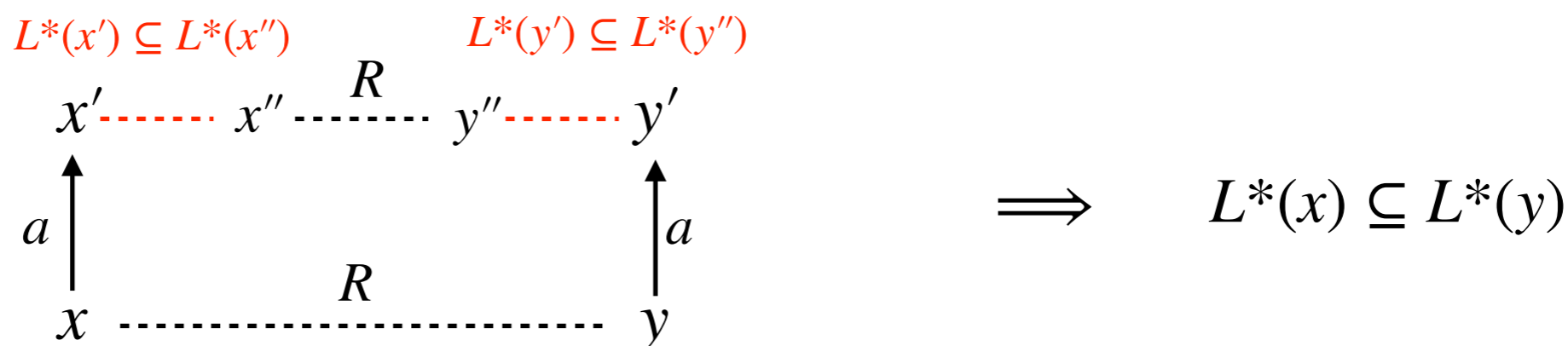
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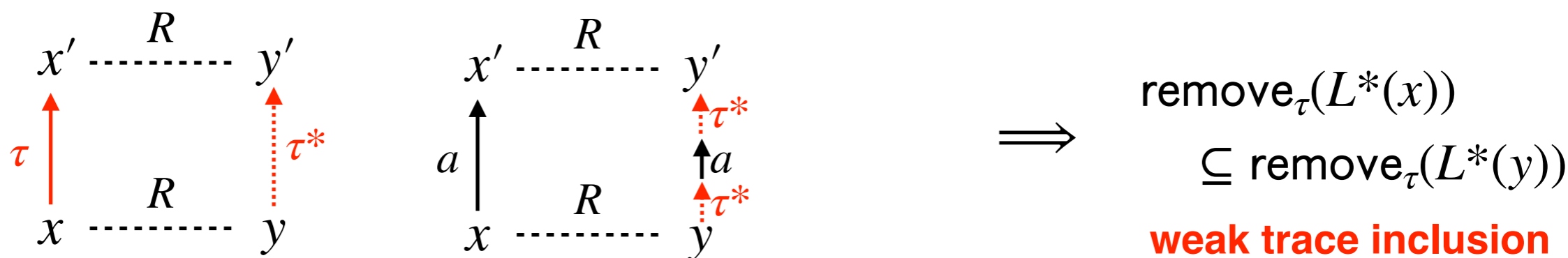
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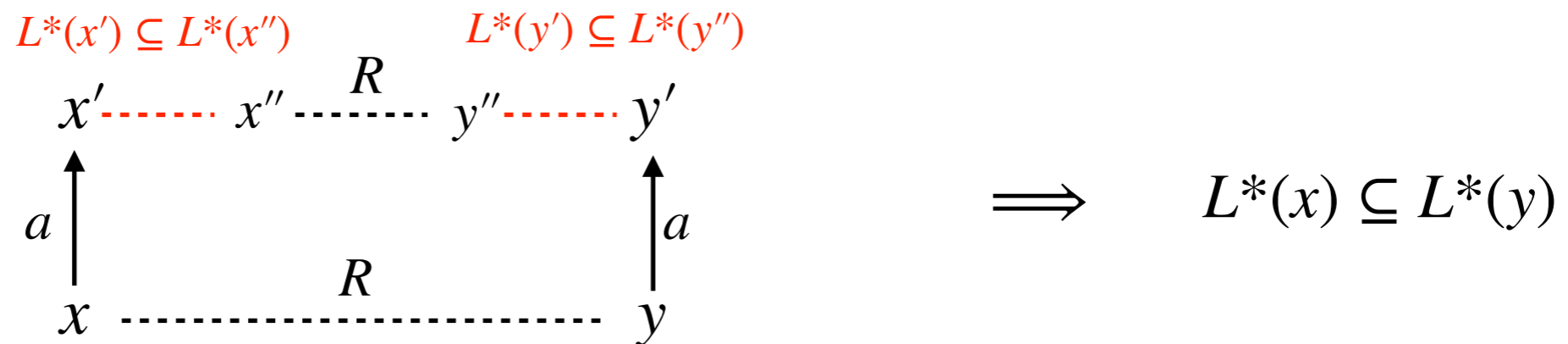


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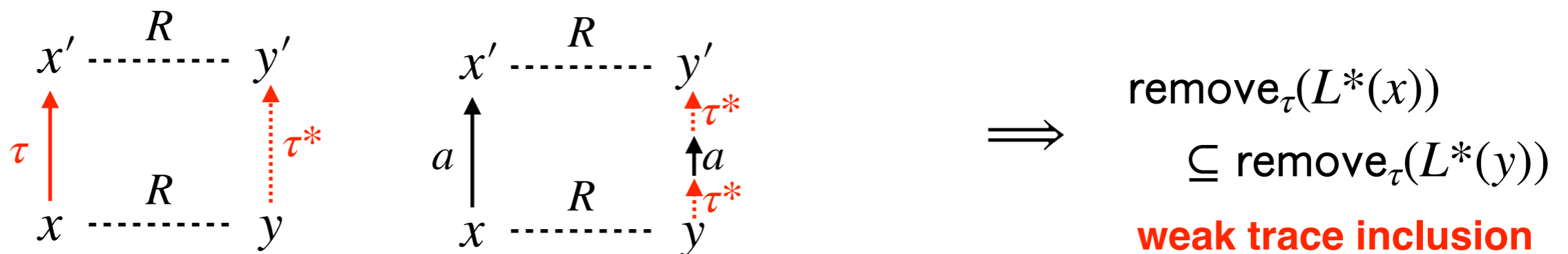
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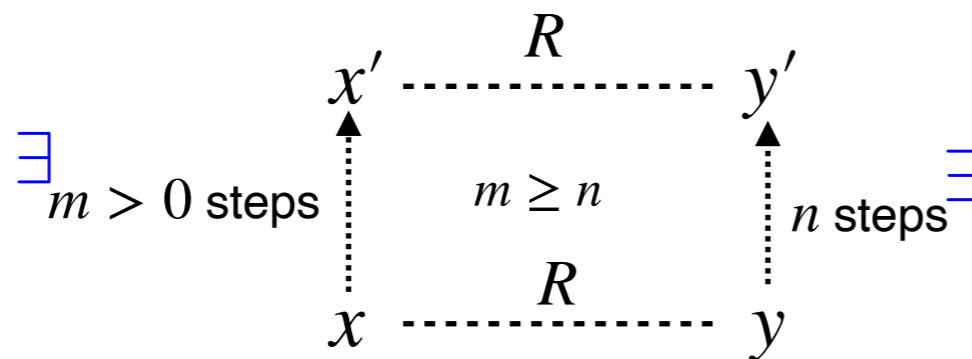
→ need special care, e.g. [Pous, '05]

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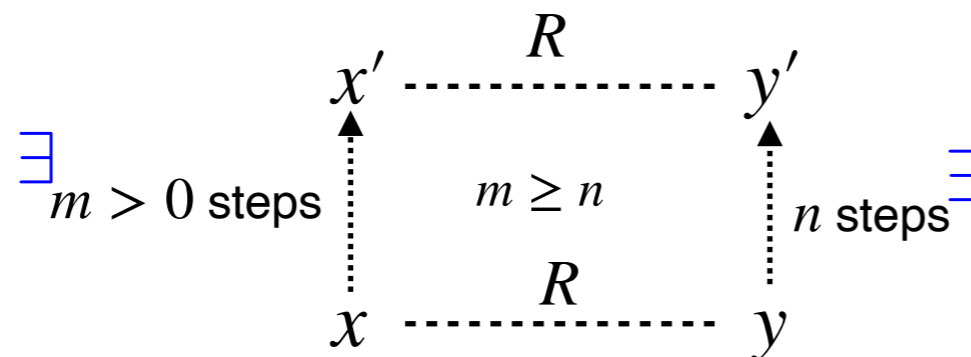


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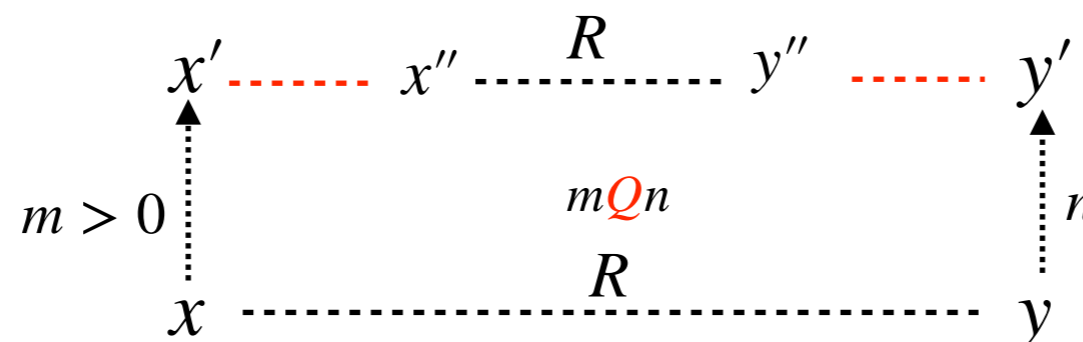
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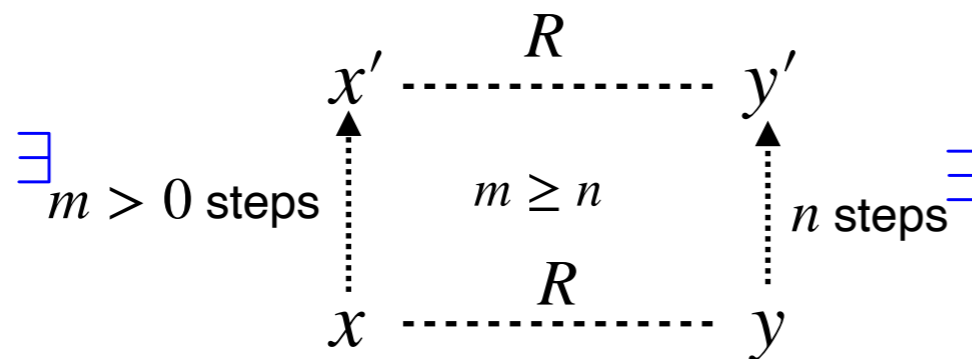
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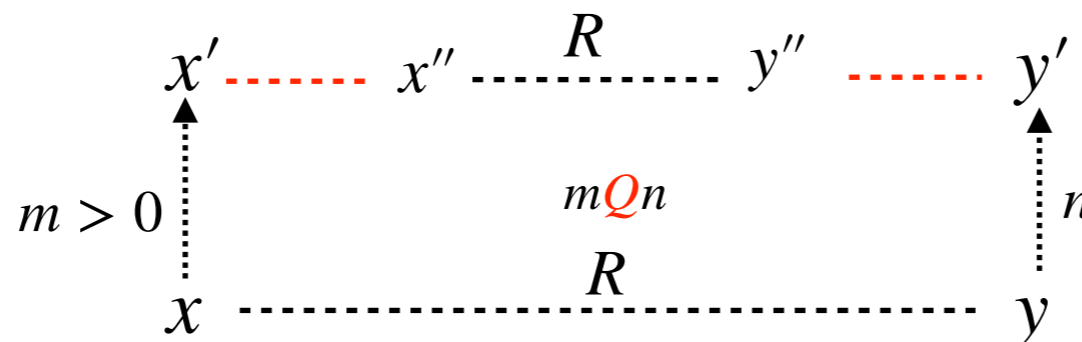
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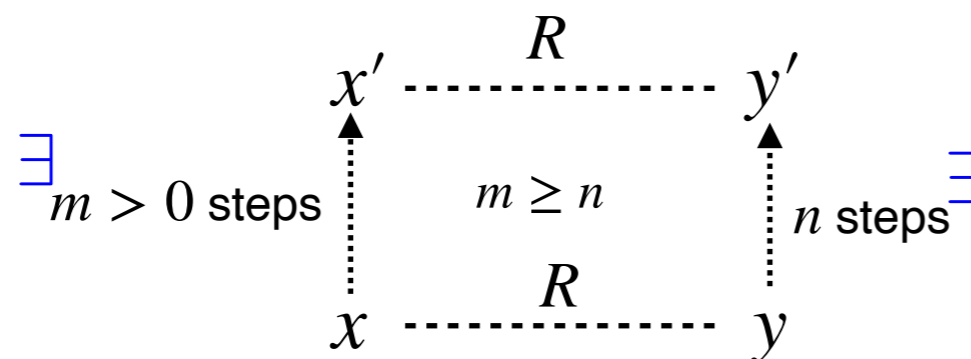
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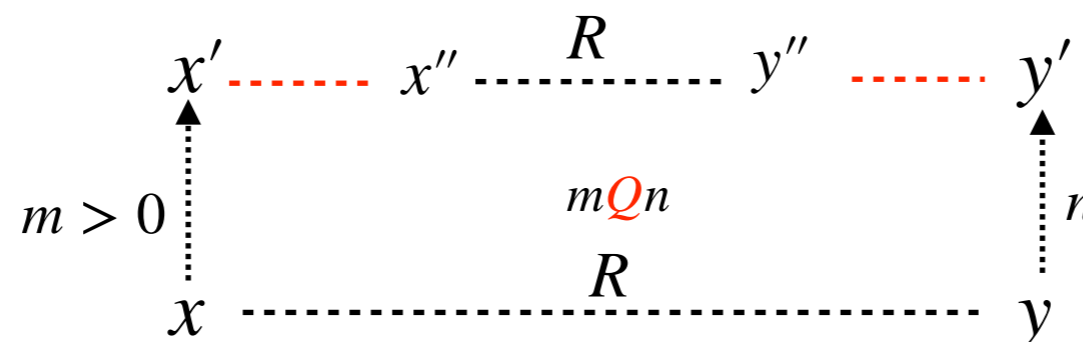
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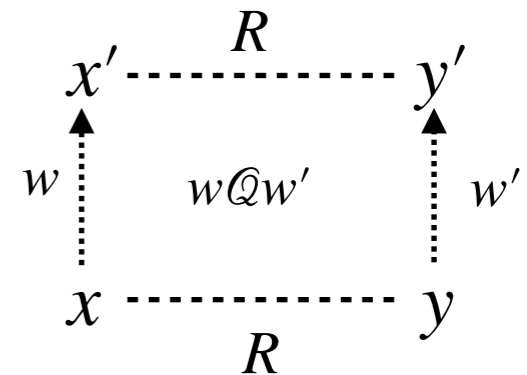
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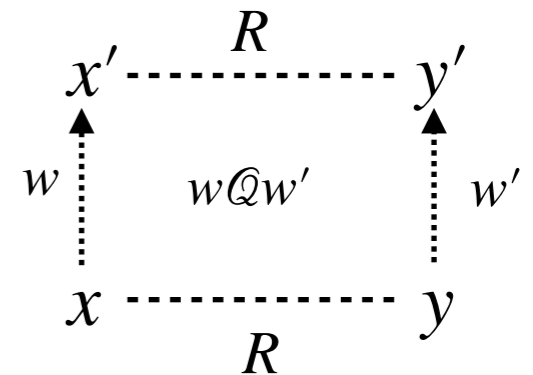
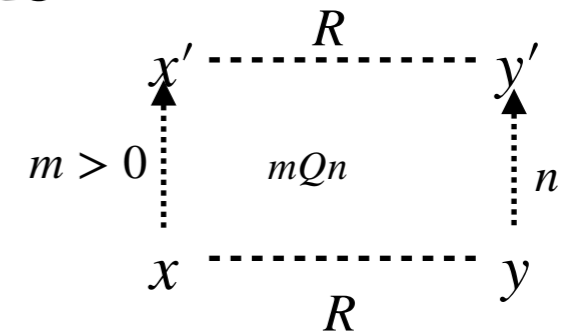
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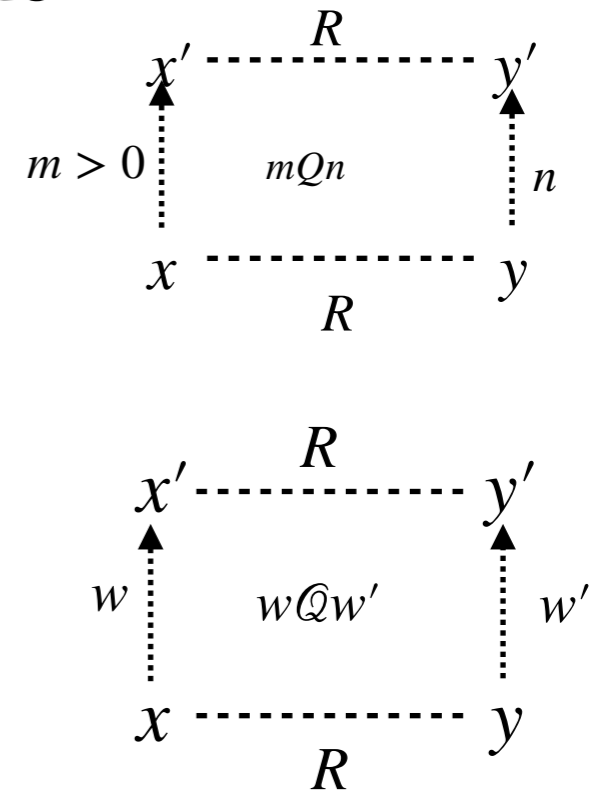
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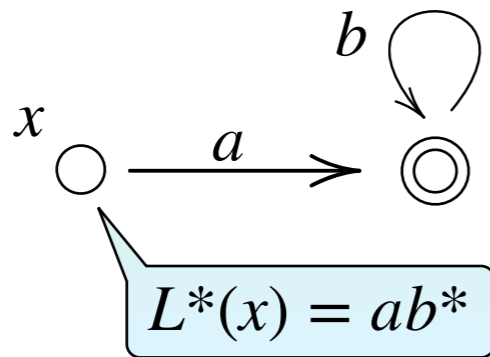
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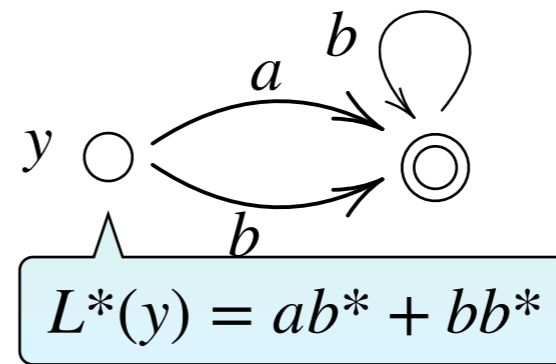
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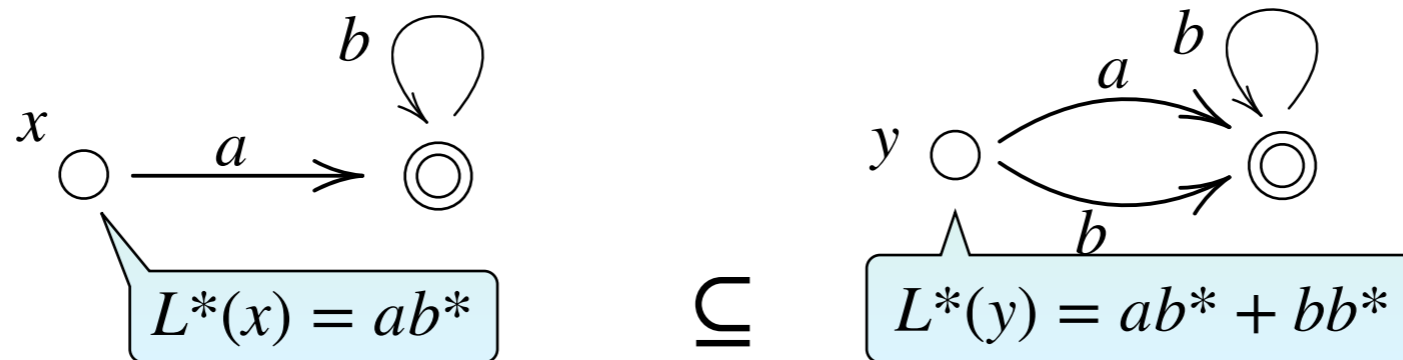
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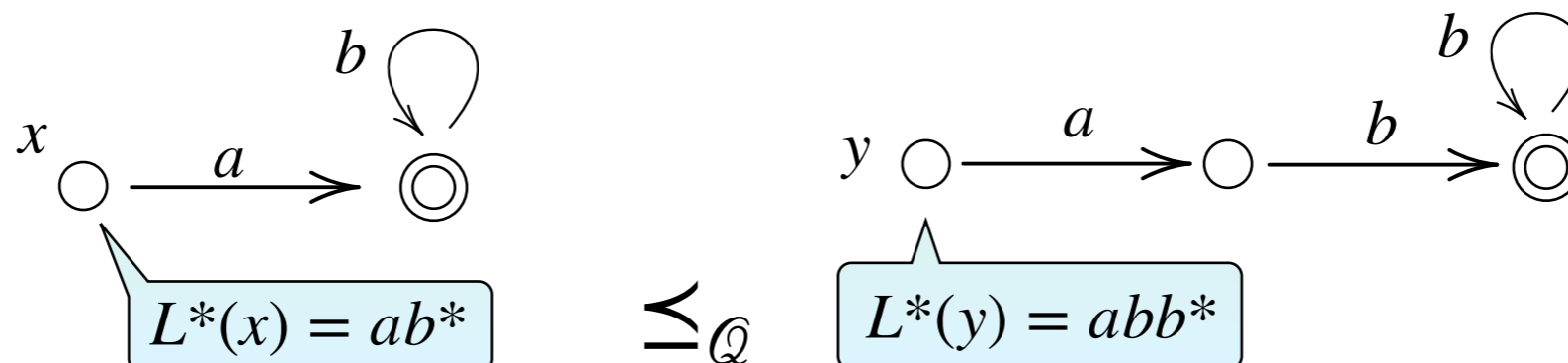
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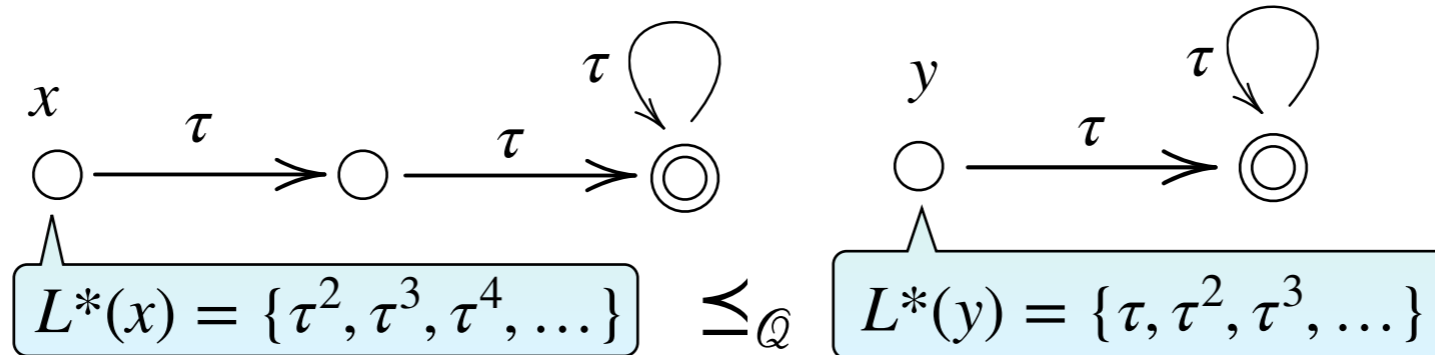


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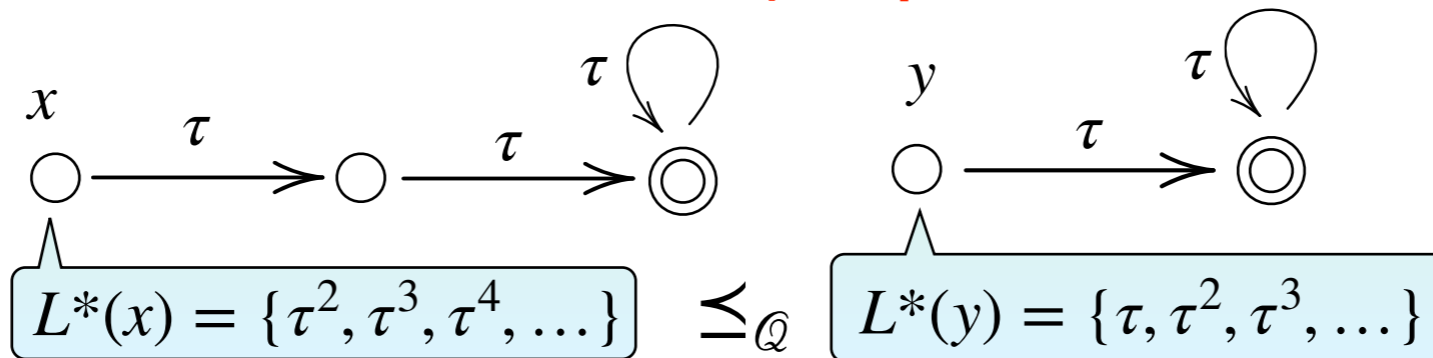


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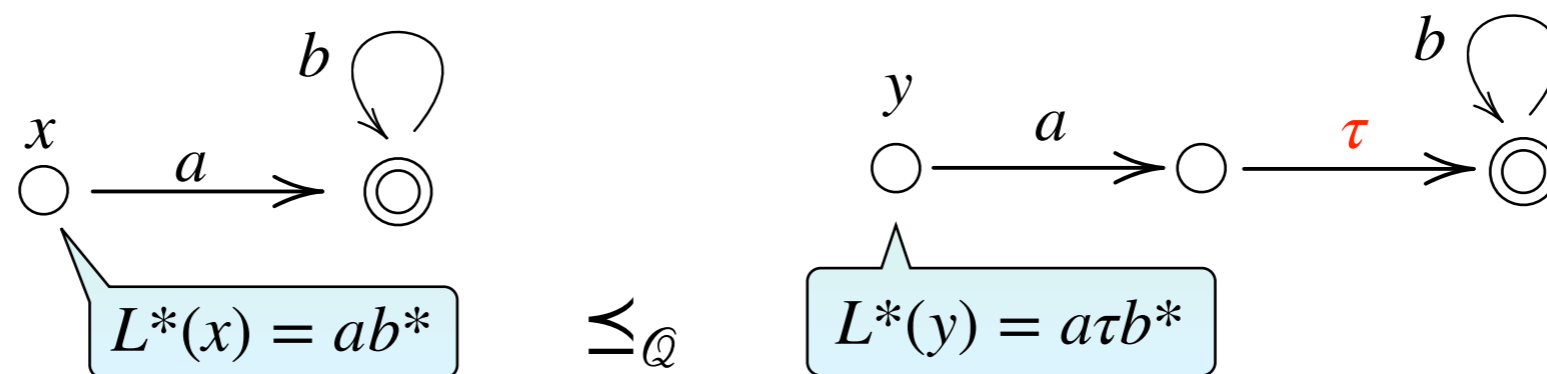
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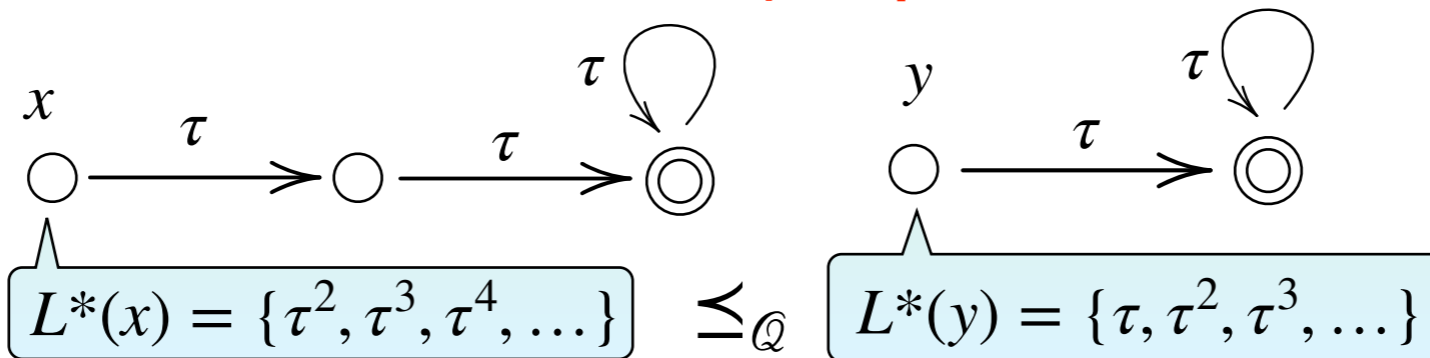


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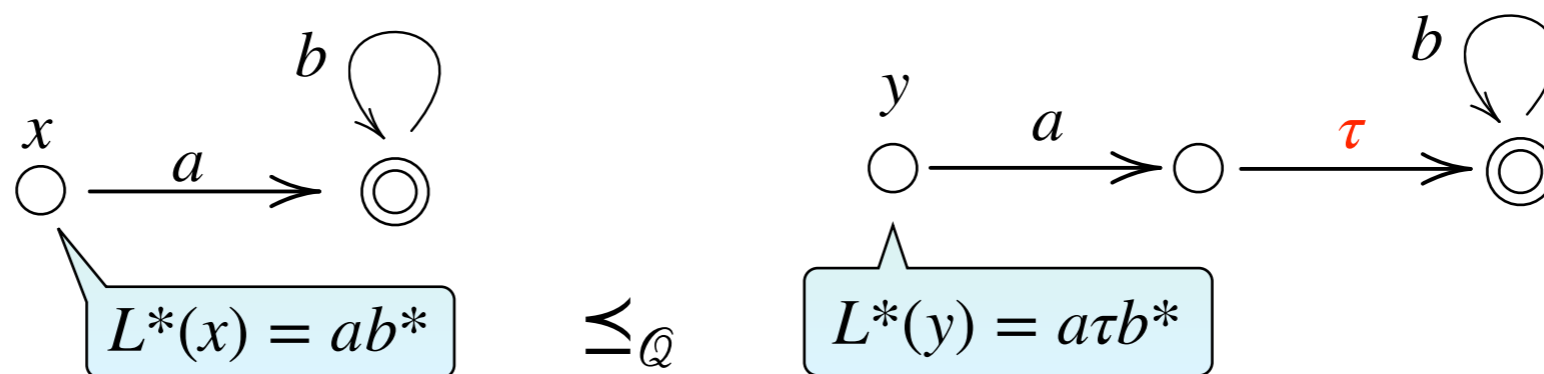
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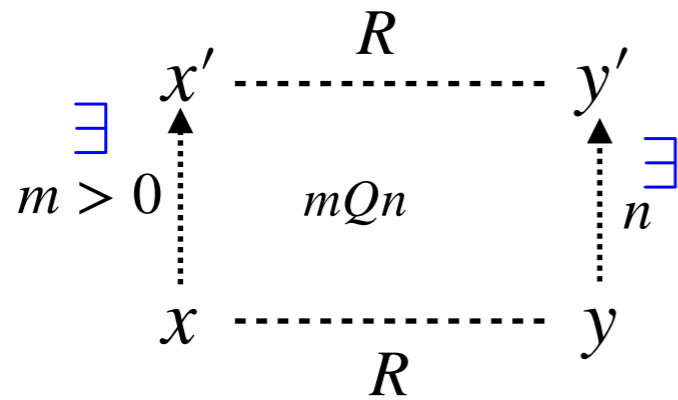
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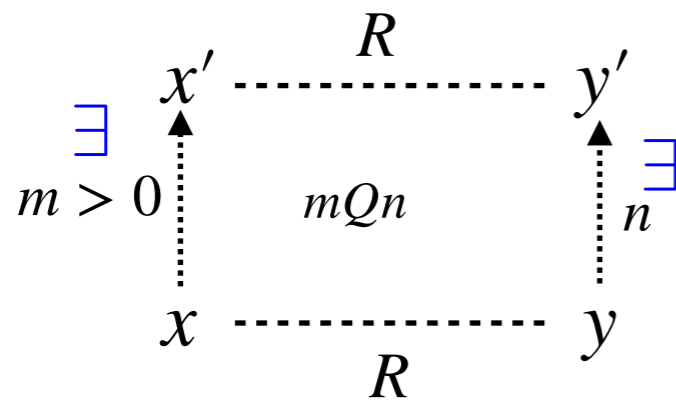


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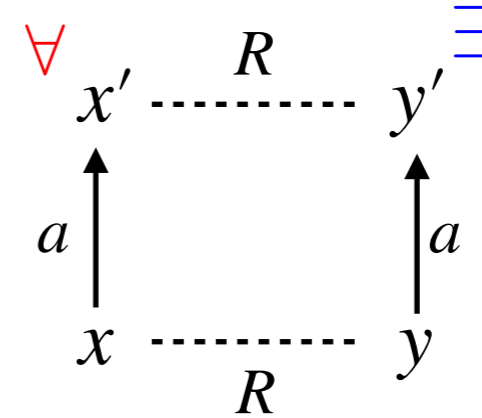


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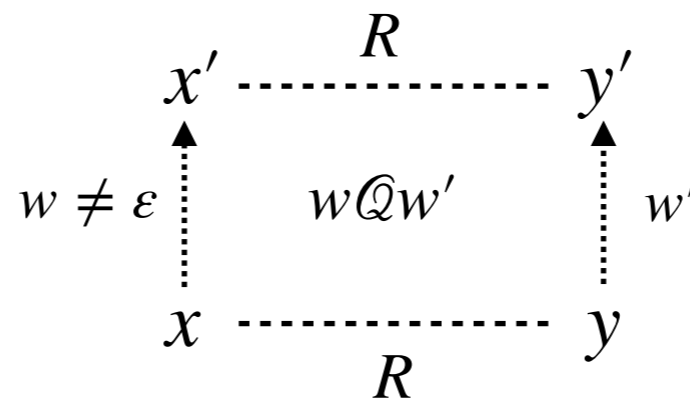
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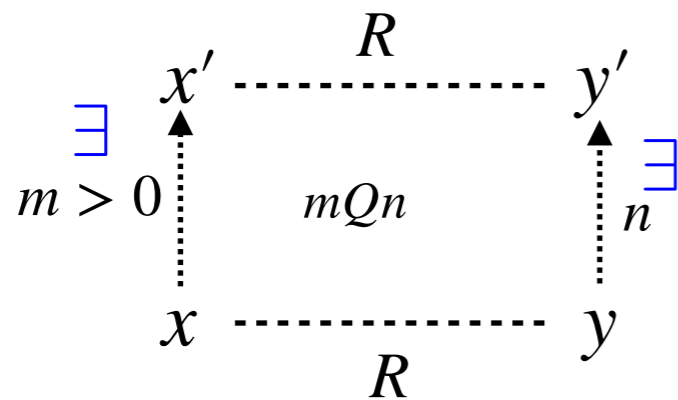


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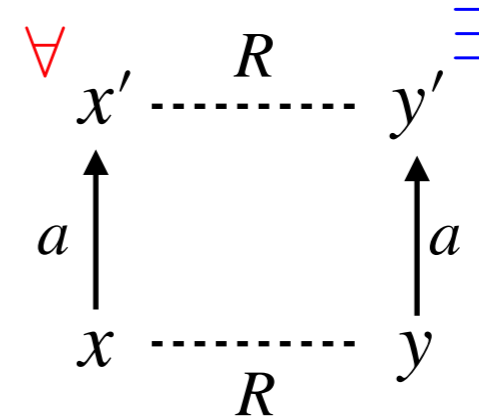


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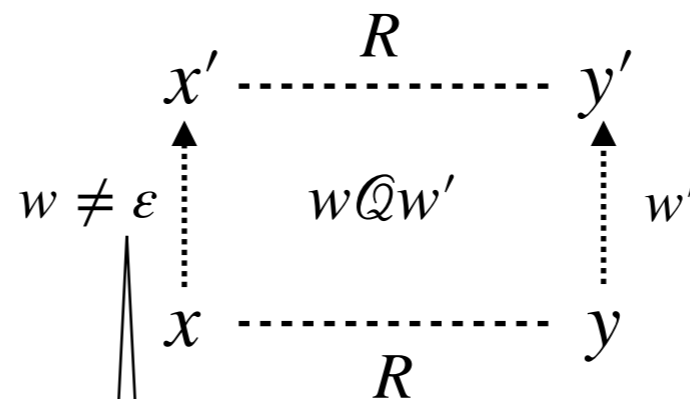
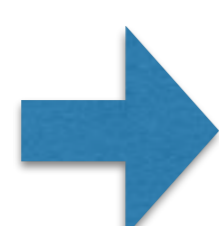
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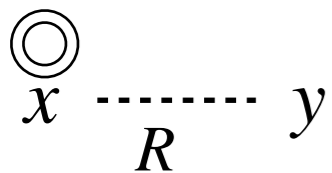
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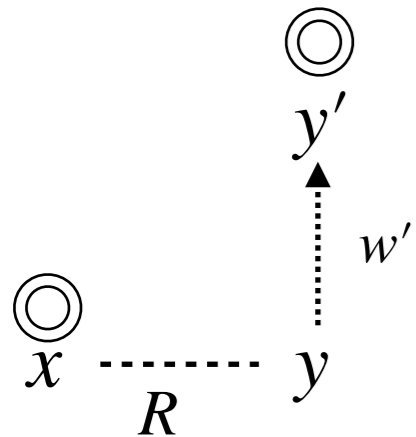
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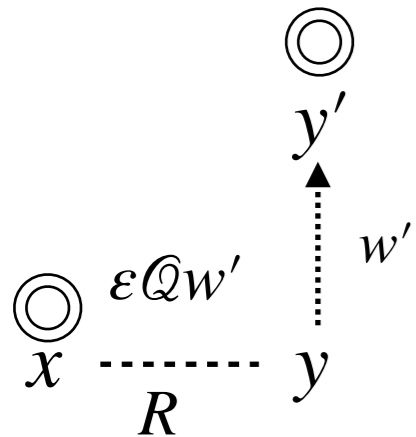
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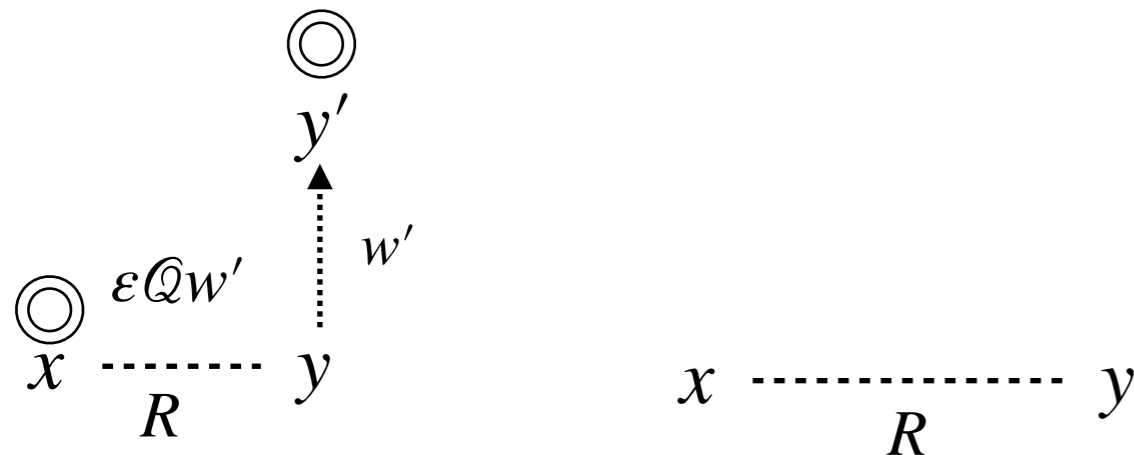
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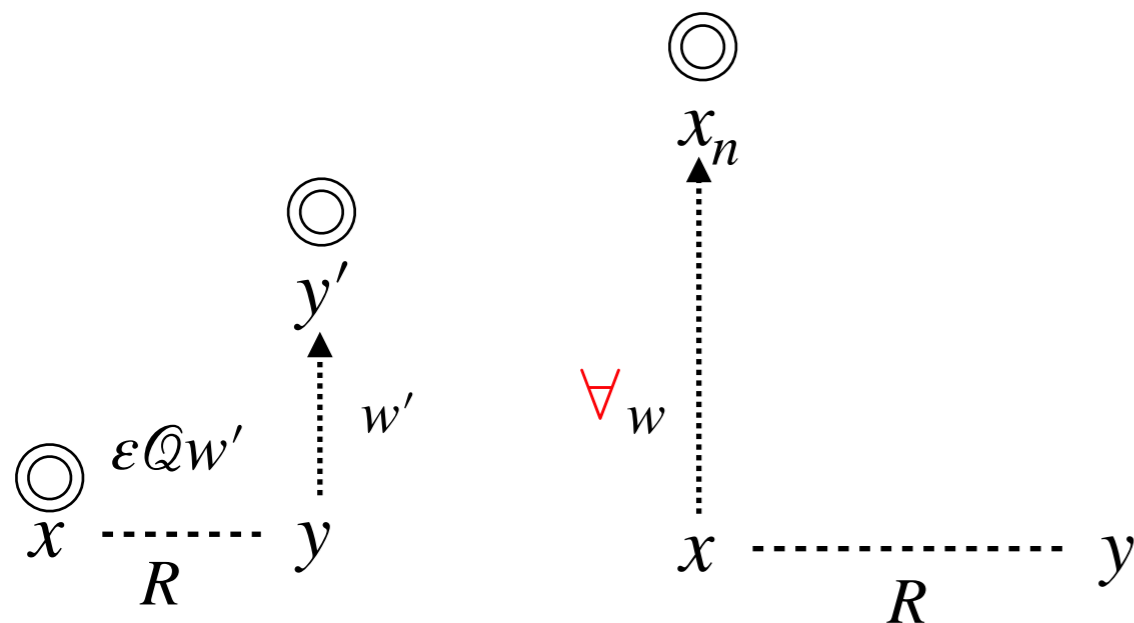
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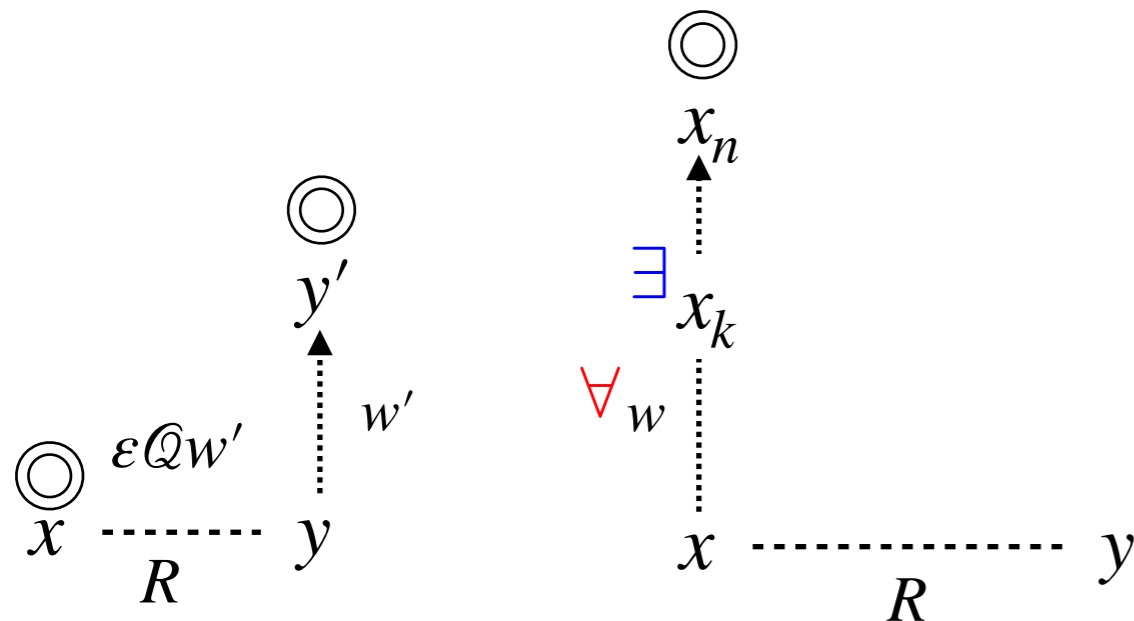
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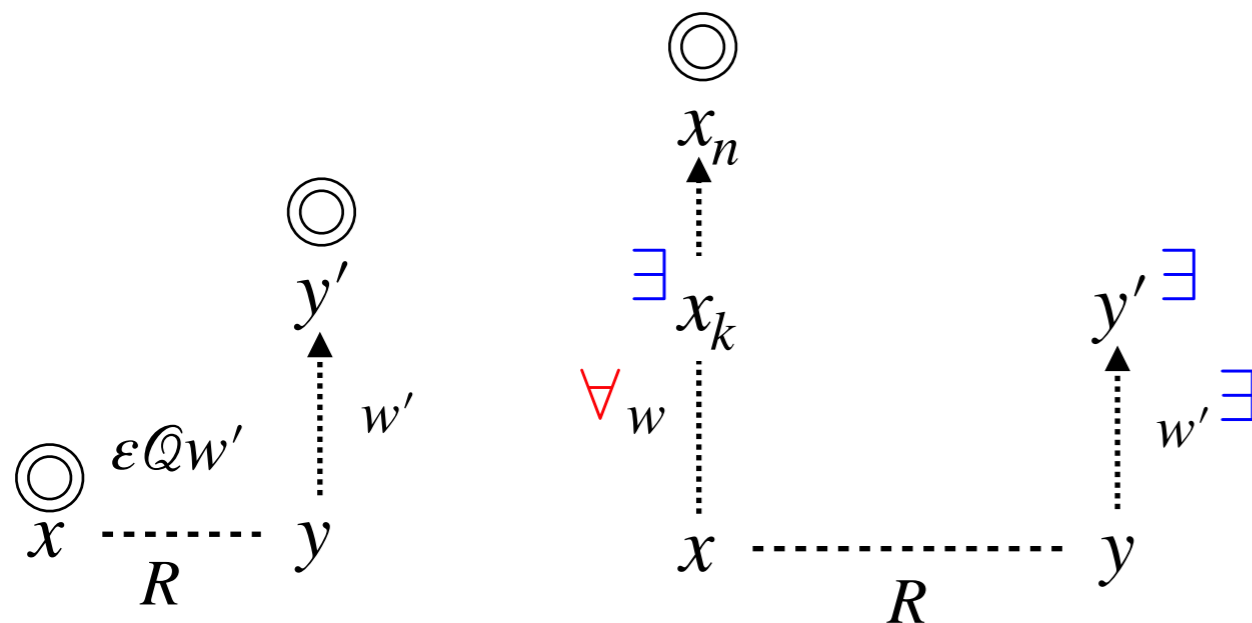
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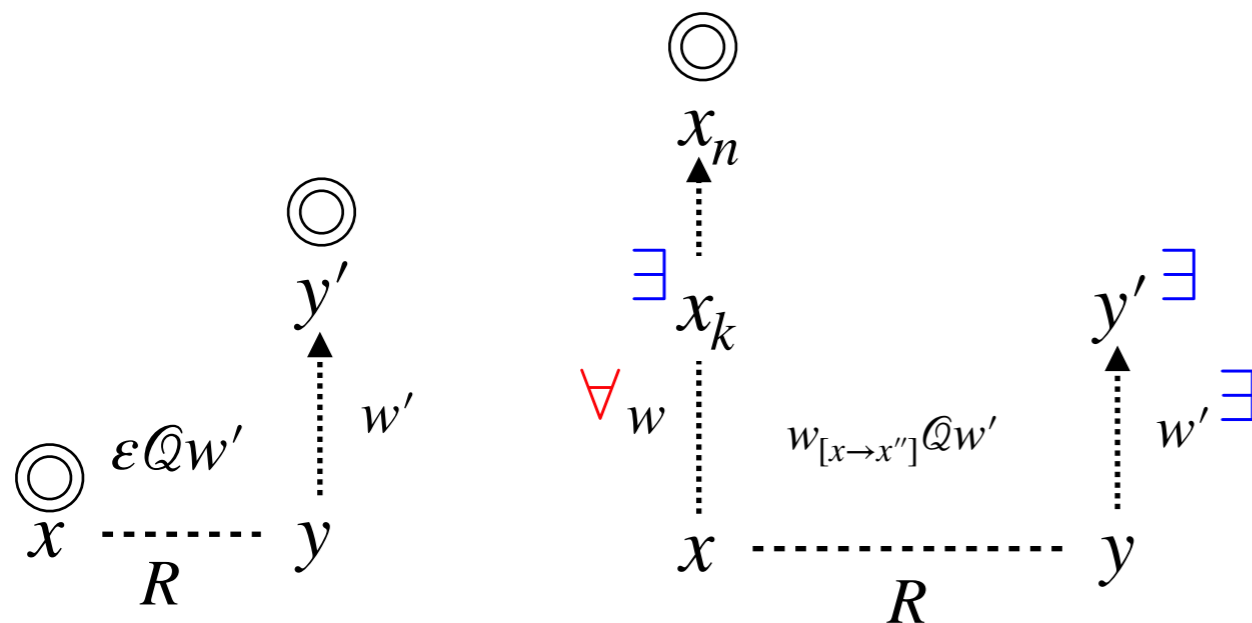
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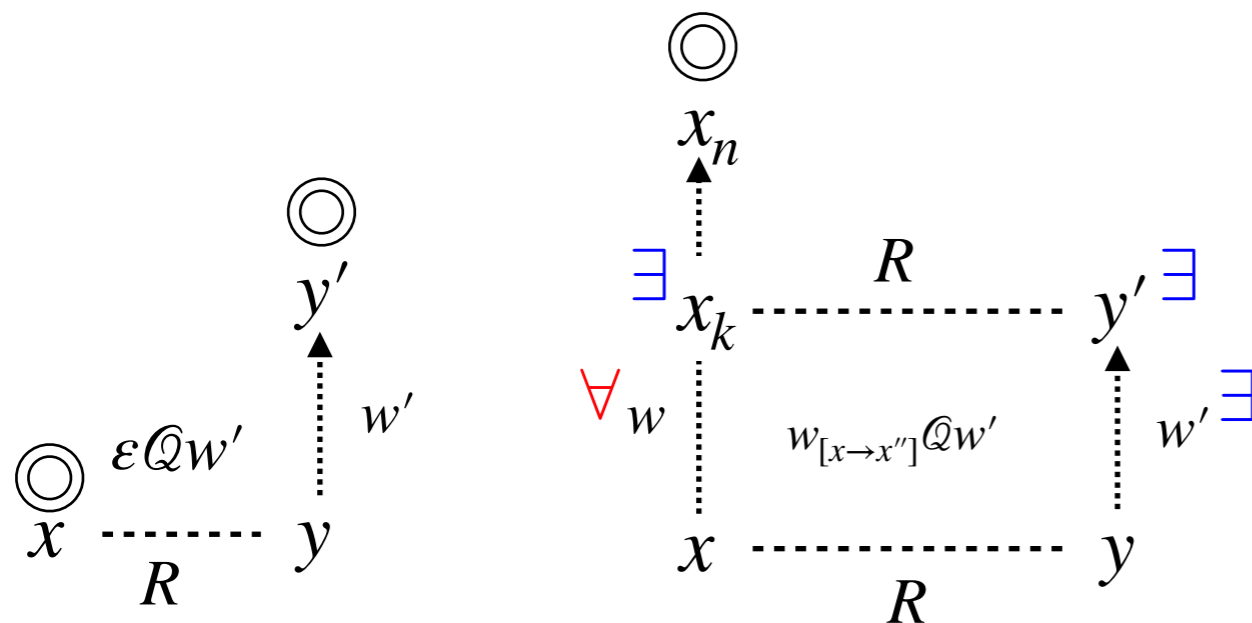
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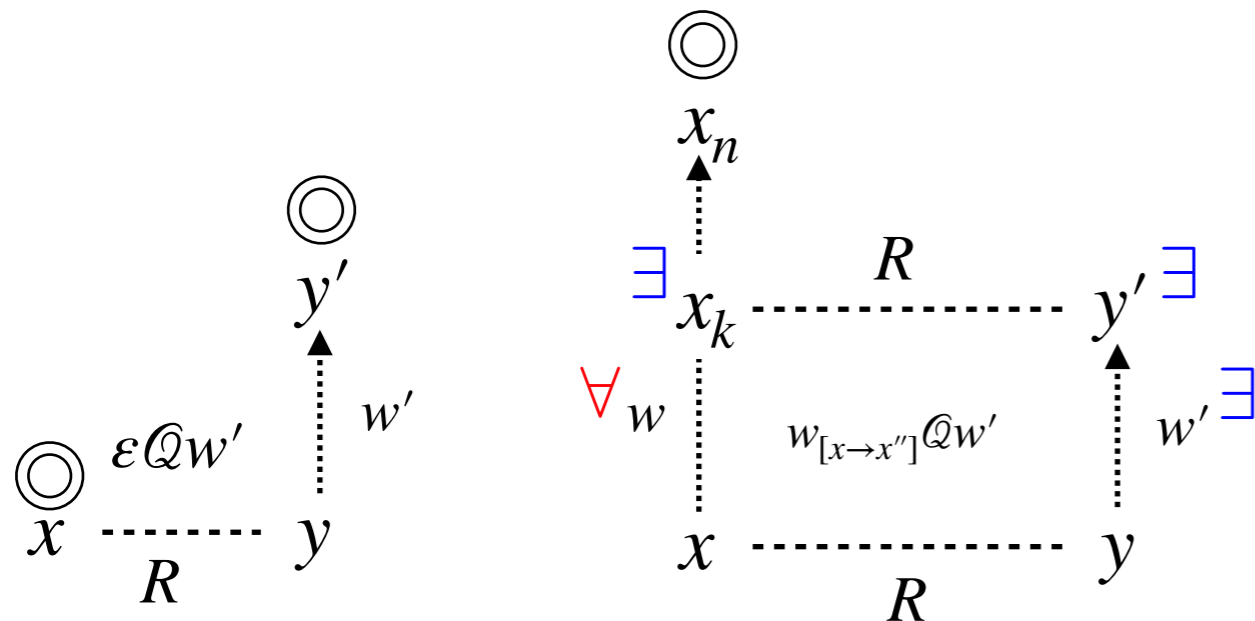
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Characterization as Safety Game

$$S_{\forall} := \{\checkmark\} + \Sigma^* \times X \times Y$$

$$S_{\exists} := \{\text{last_turn}\} \times \Sigma^* \times X \times Y + \Sigma^+ \times X \times Y$$

$\rightarrow_{\forall} \subseteq S_{\forall} \times S_{\exists}$ is given by:

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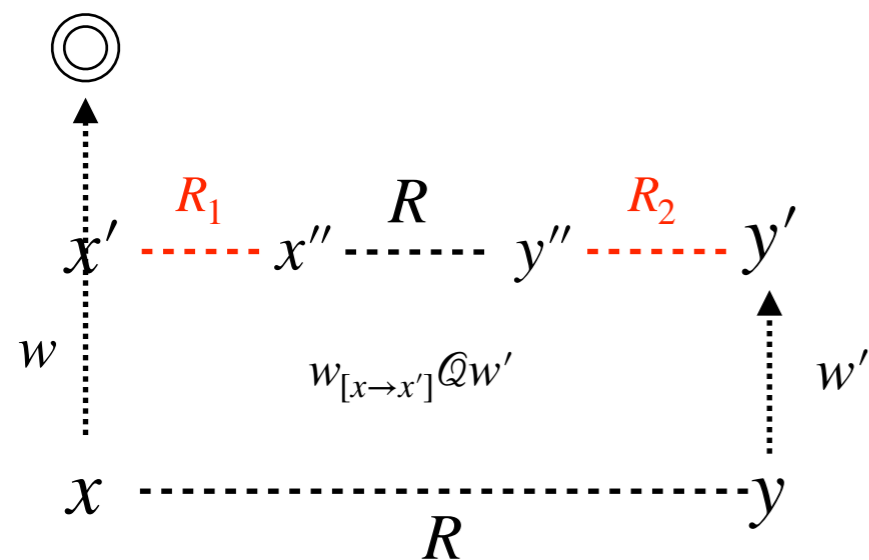
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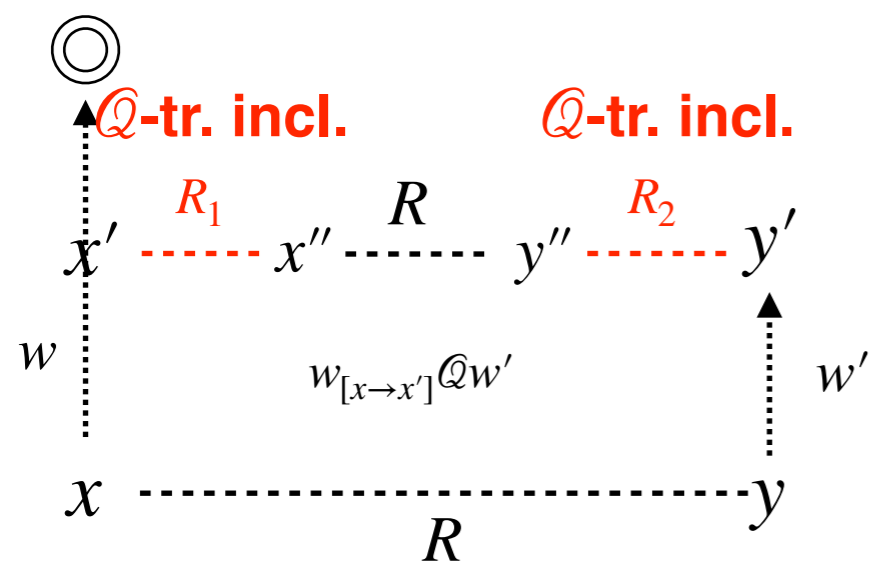
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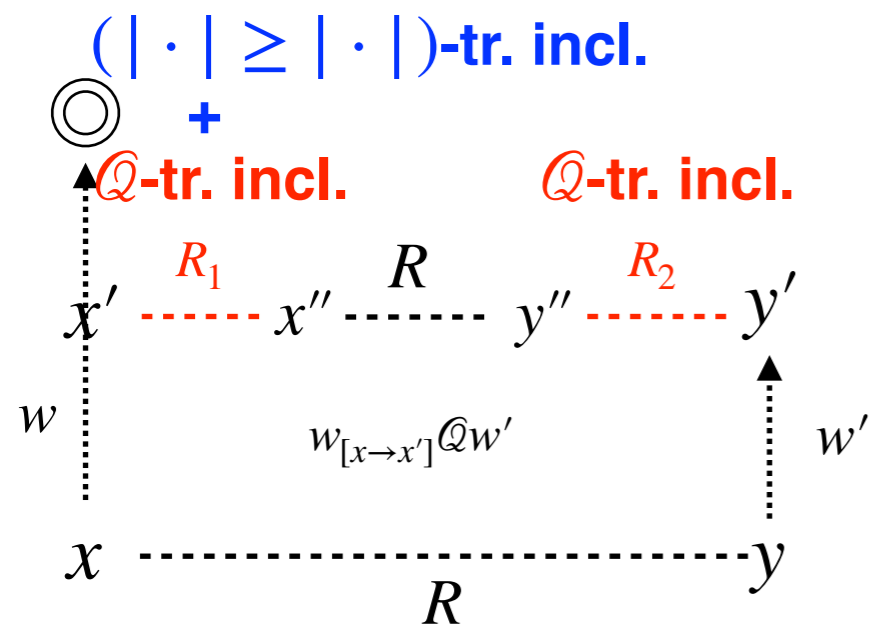
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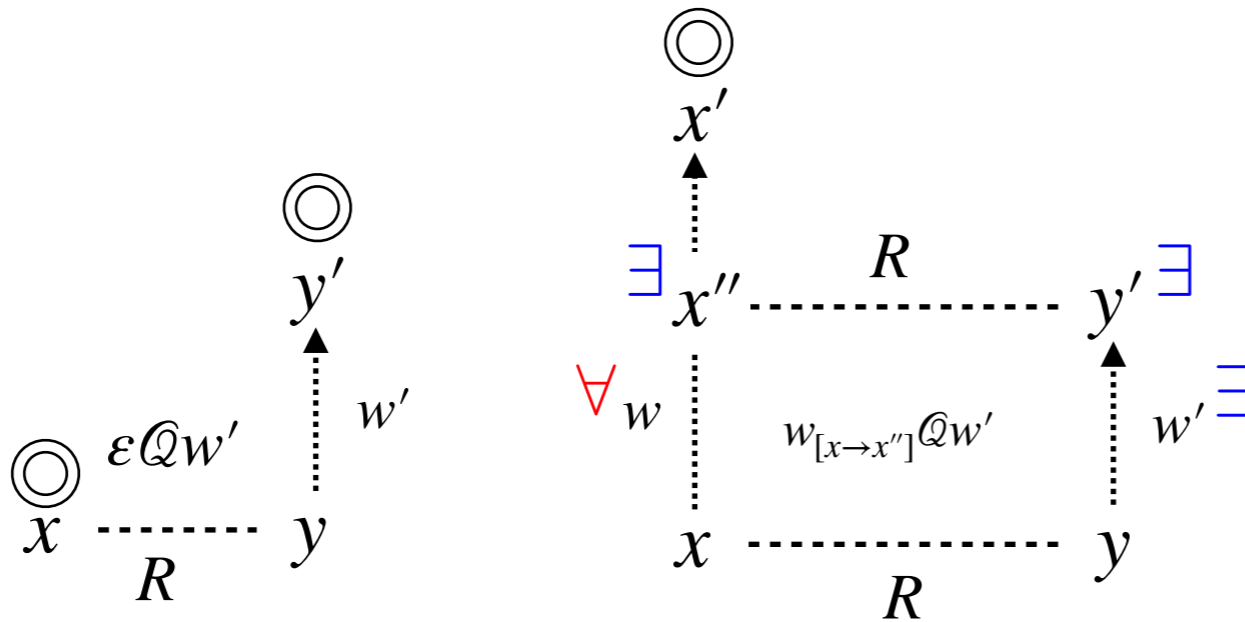
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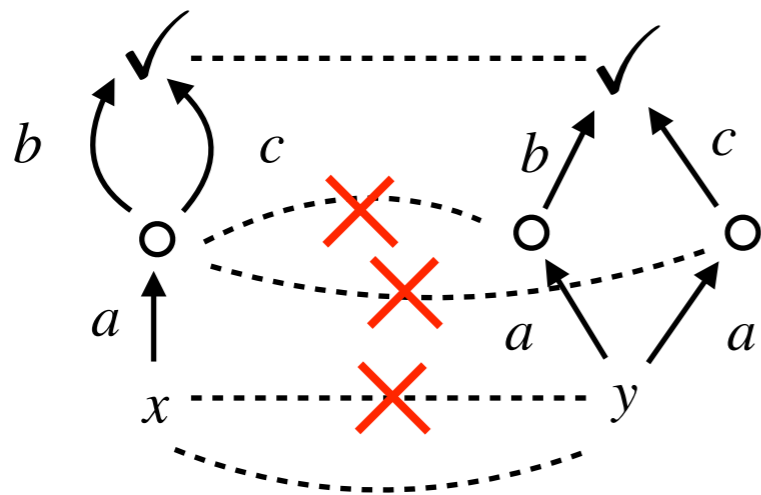
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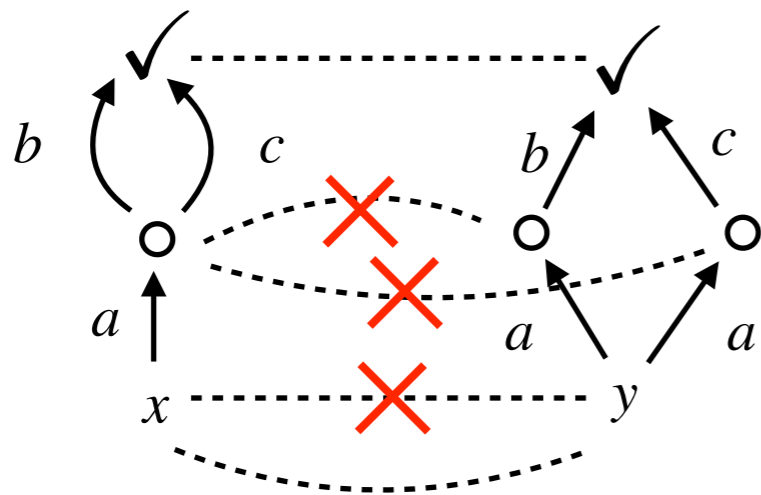
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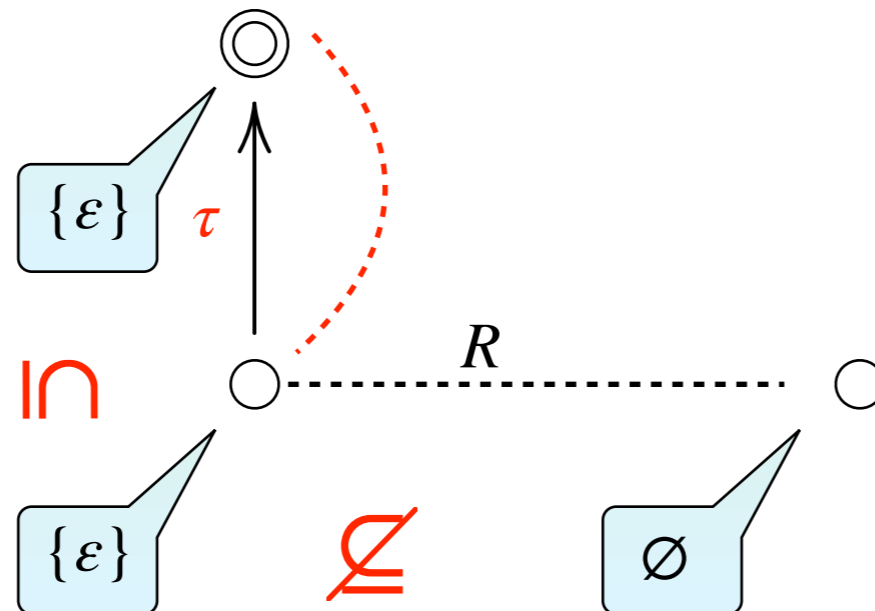
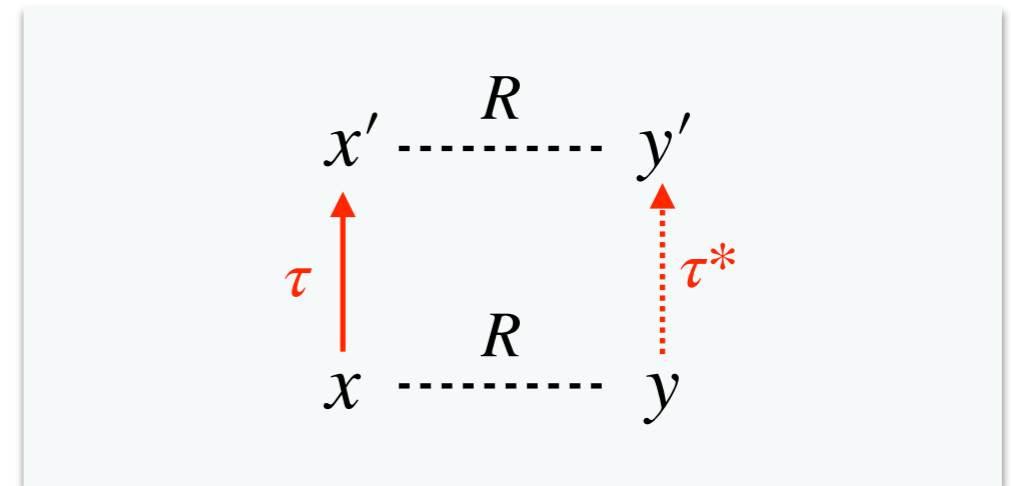
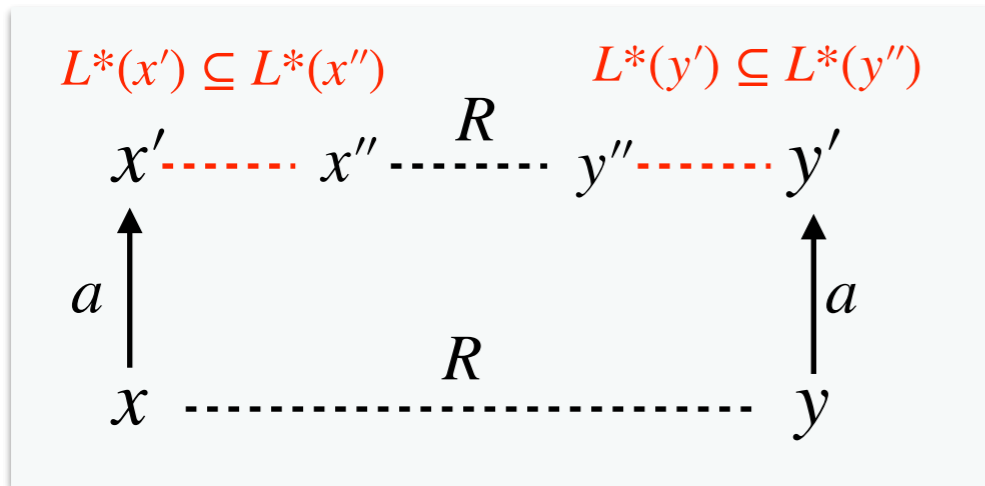
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[Sangiorgi & Milner, '92]



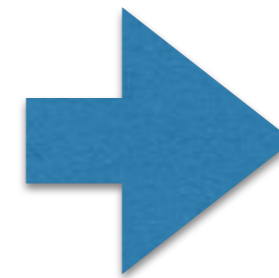
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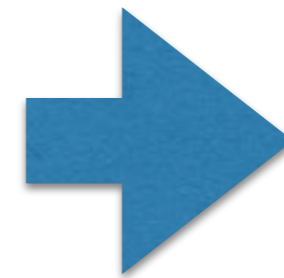
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- When M is fixed, solvable in polynomial time

Addendum IV: Towards Computation

$$S_{\forall} := \{\checkmark\} + \bigcup_{i \leq M} \Sigma^i \times X \times Y$$

queue of size M

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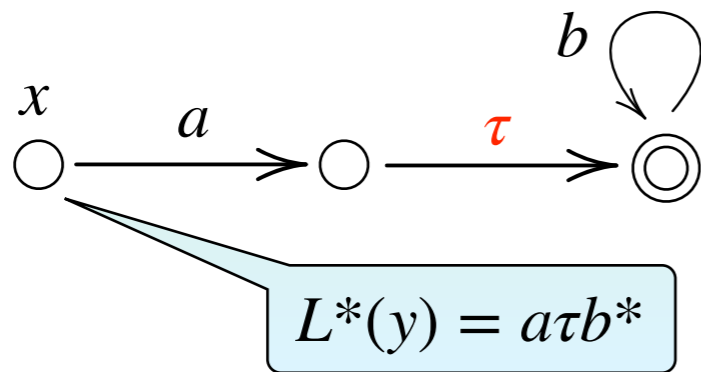
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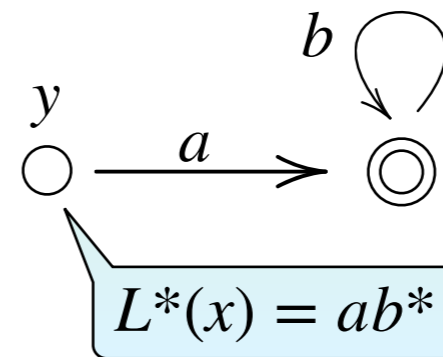
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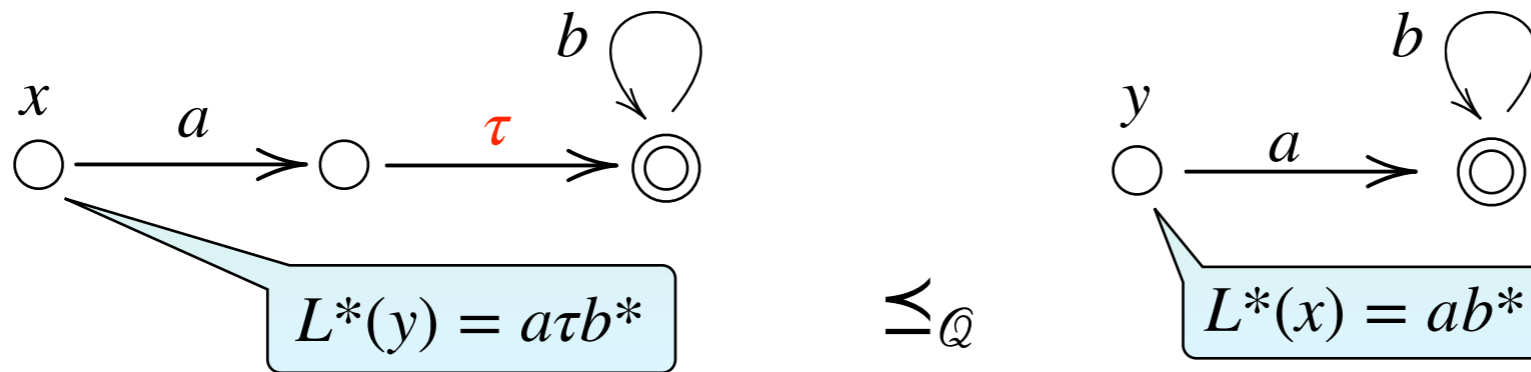
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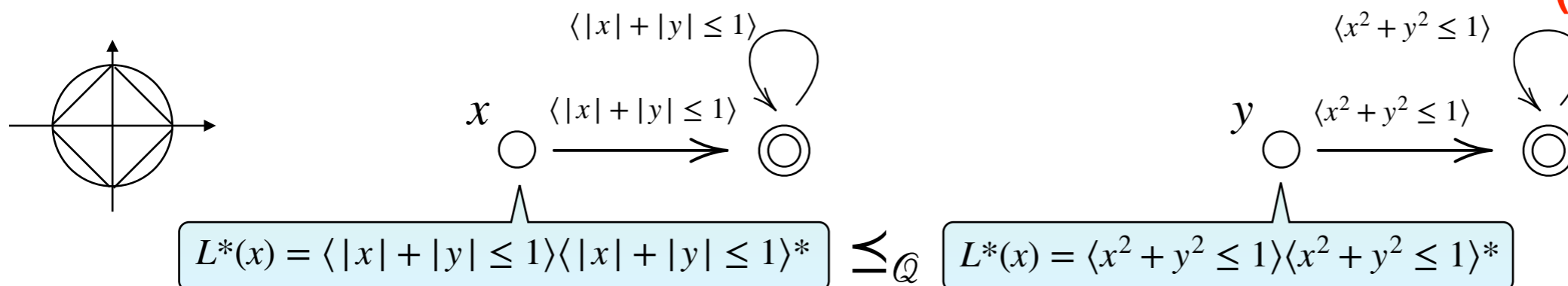
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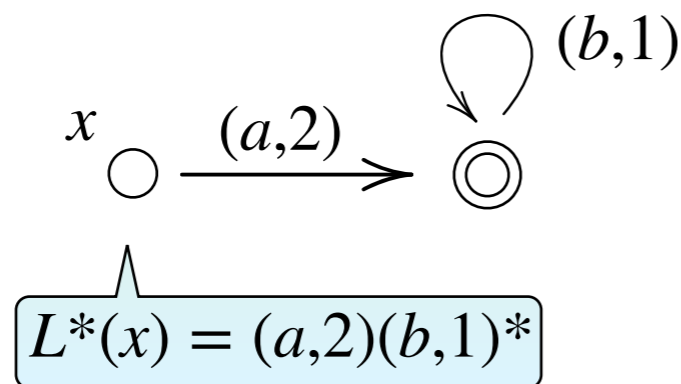
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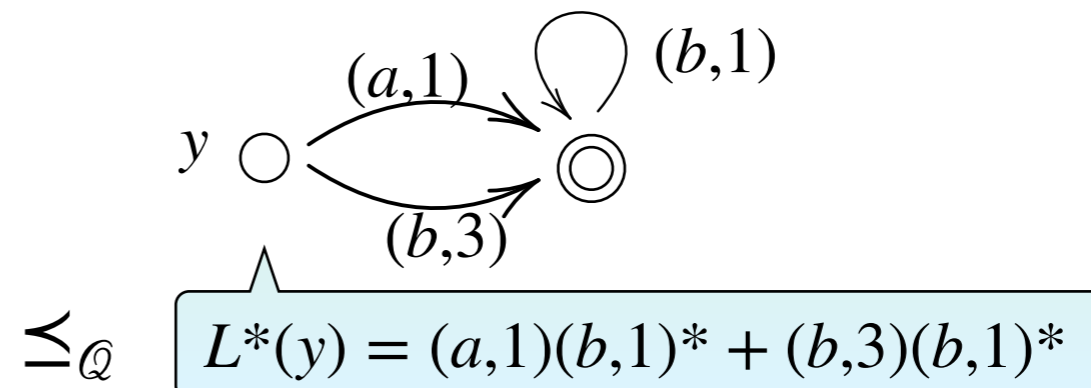
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(quantitative language inclusion)



$$\begin{aligned} a &\mapsto 2 \\ ab &\mapsto 3 \\ abb &\mapsto 4 \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} a &\mapsto 1 & b &\mapsto 3 \\ ab &\mapsto 2 & bb &\mapsto 4 \\ abb &\mapsto 3 & bbb &\mapsto 5 \\ &\vdots & &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

$\leq_{\mathcal{Q}}$

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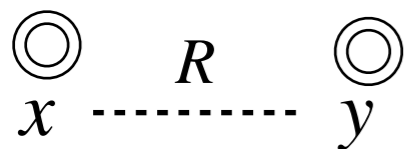
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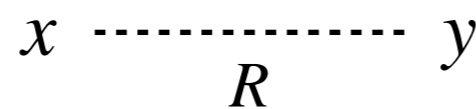
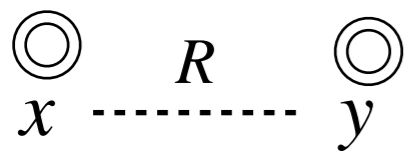
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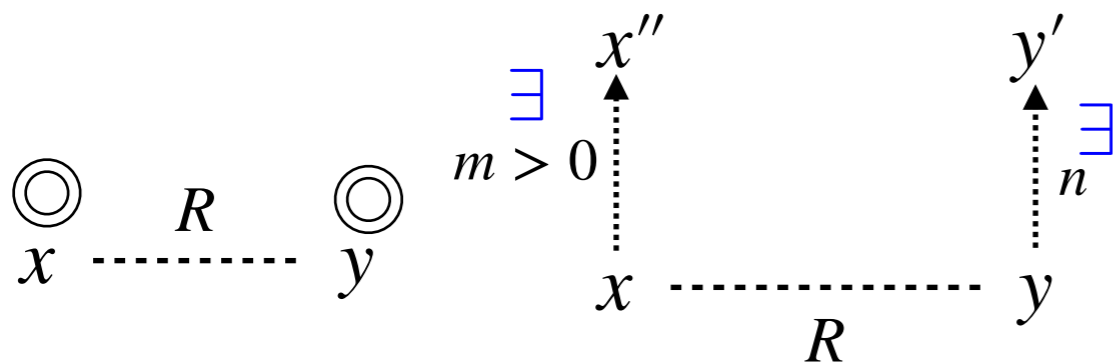
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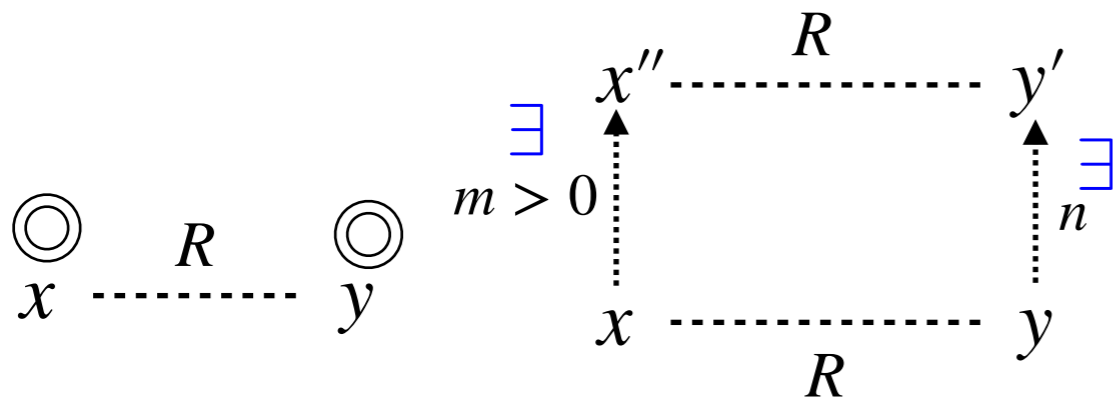
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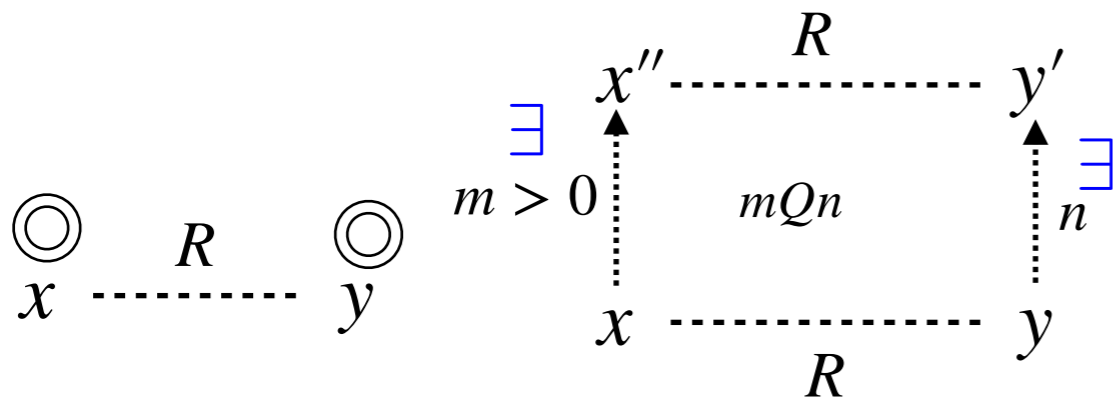
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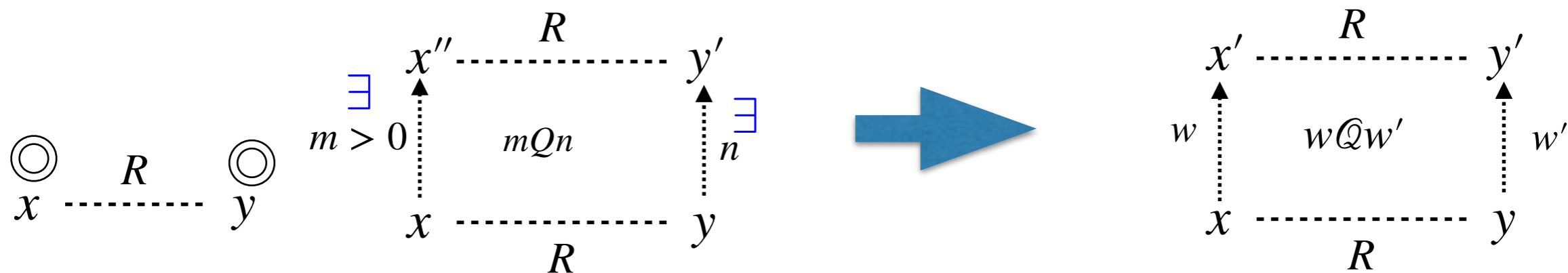
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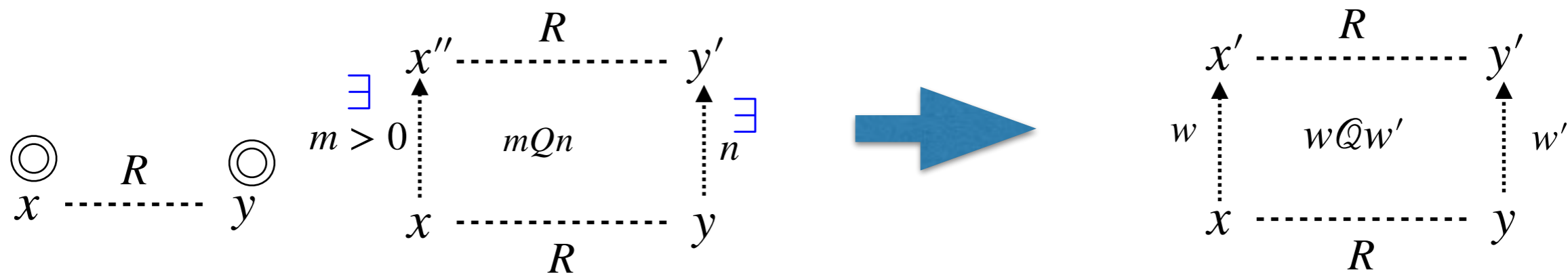
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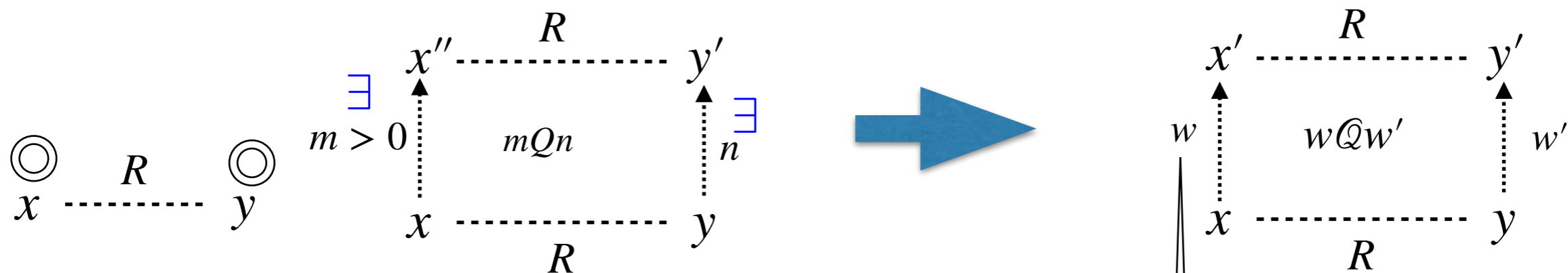
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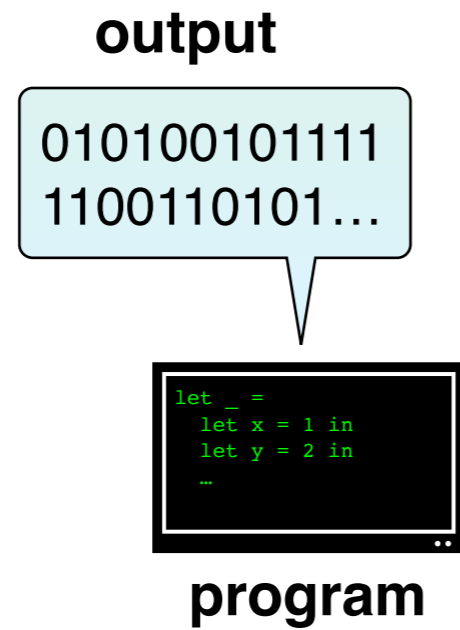
We wish:
nondeterminism is resolved by \forall ,
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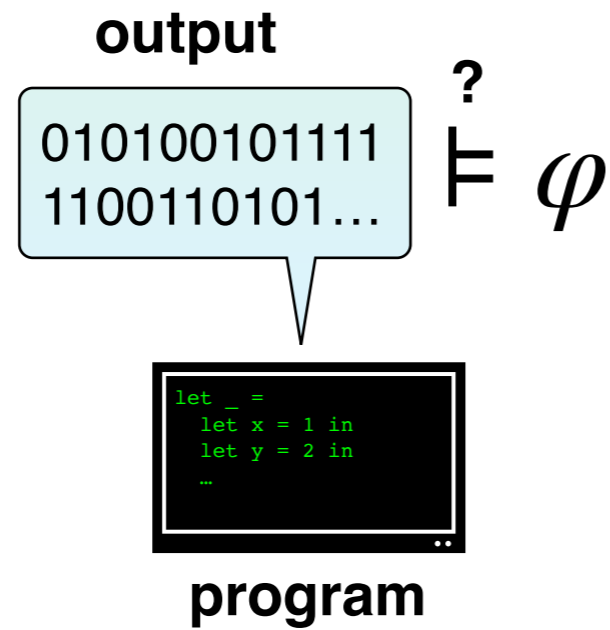
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let _ =  
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program

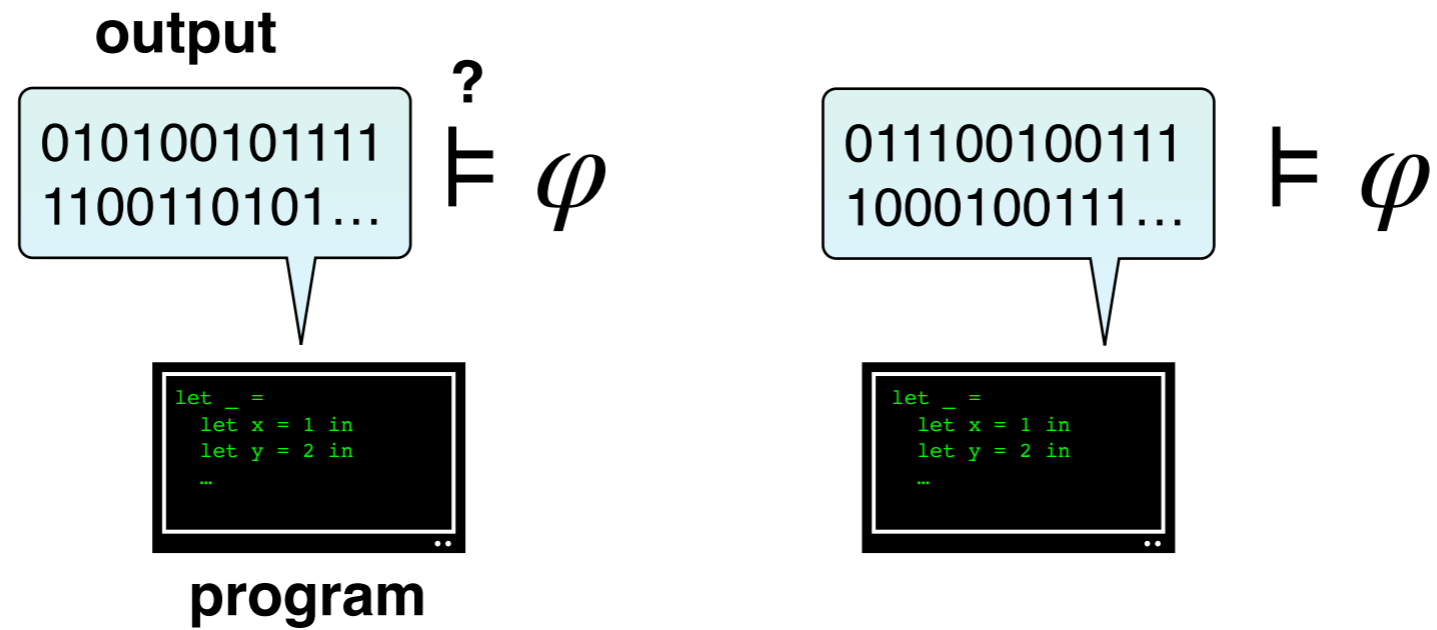
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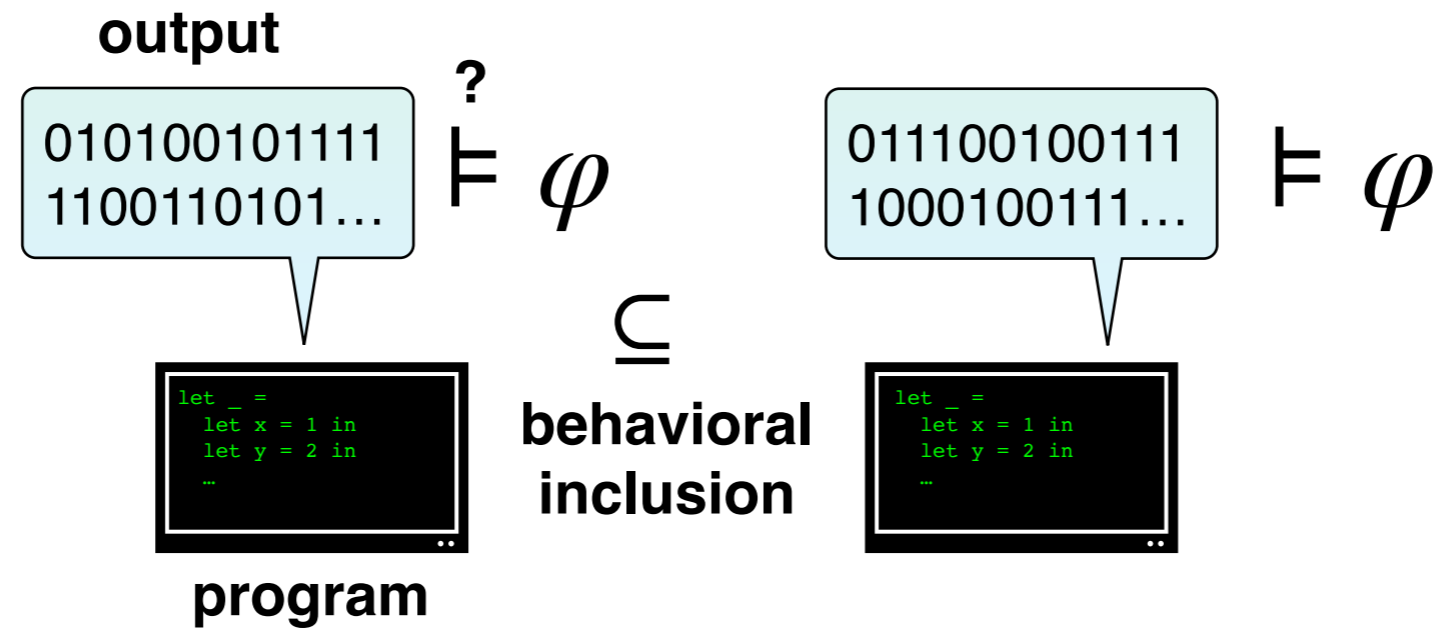
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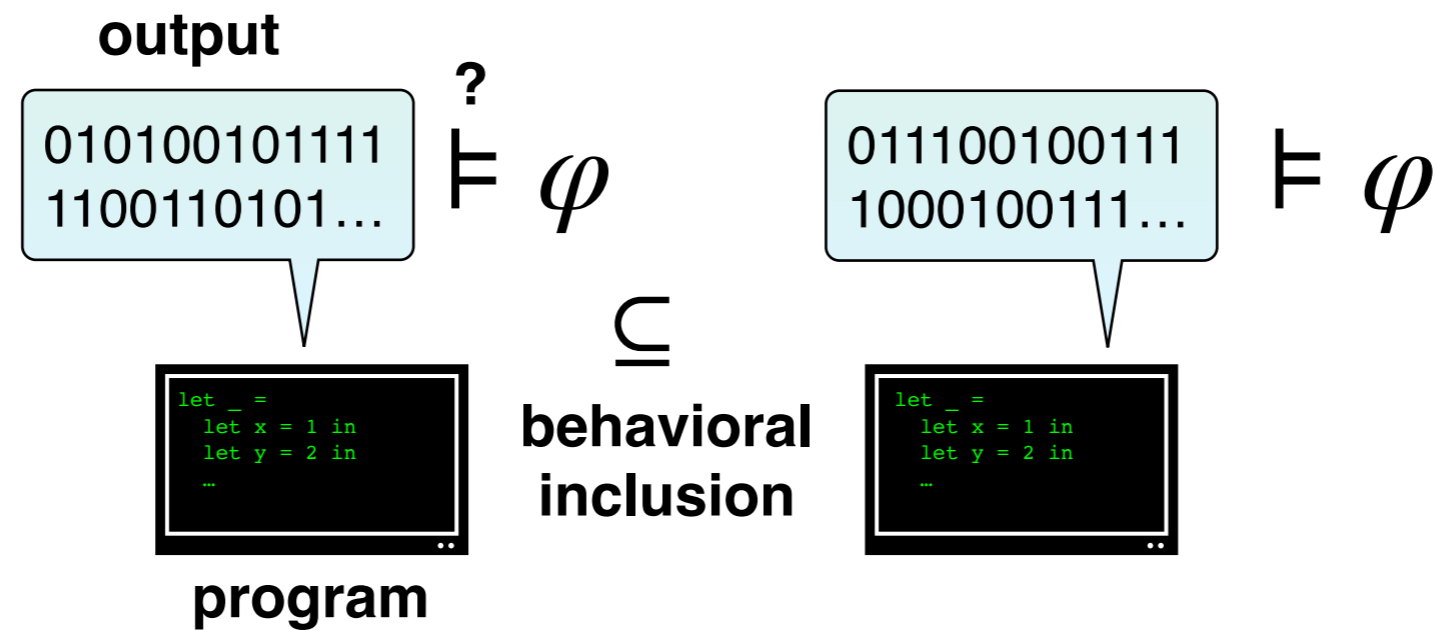
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