

# Weighted Bottom-up and Top-down Tree Transformations are Incomparable

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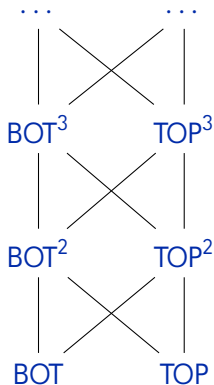
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# Bottom-up and Top-down Composition Hierarchy

## Composition hierarchy

[Engelfriet 1982]



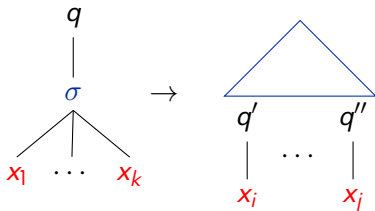
BOT — Bottom-up Tree Translations

TOP — Top-down Tree Translations

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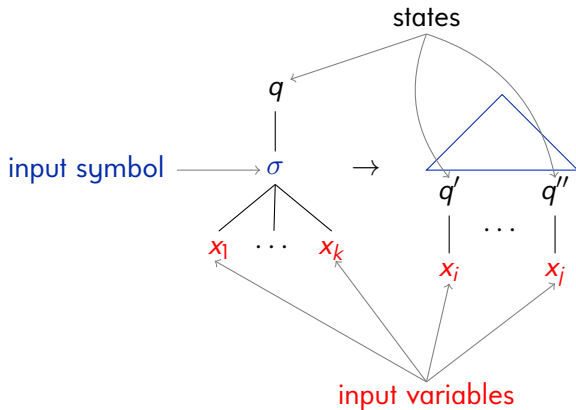
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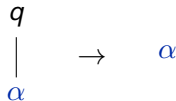
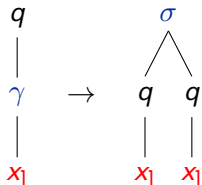
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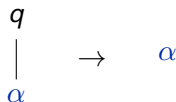
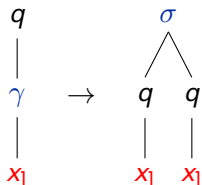
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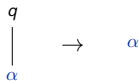
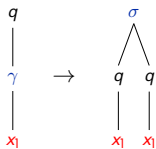
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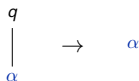
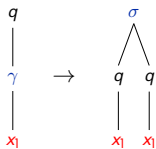
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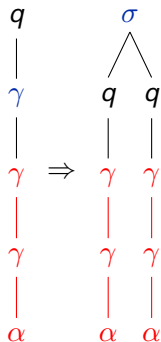
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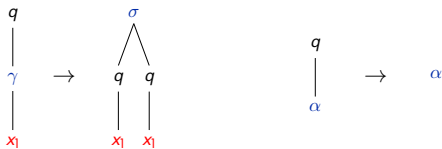


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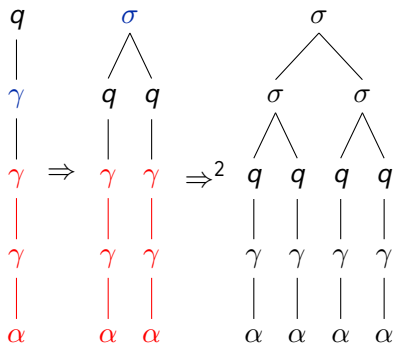




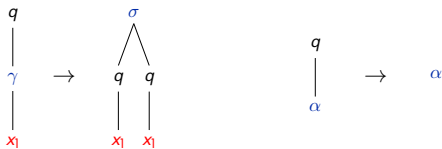
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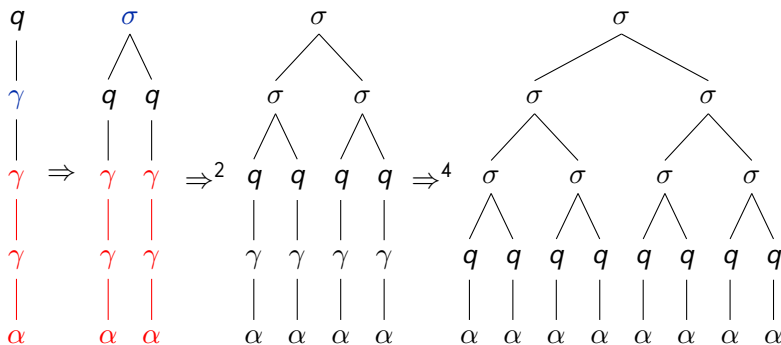
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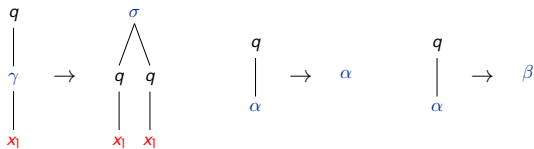
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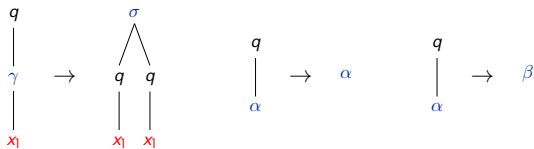
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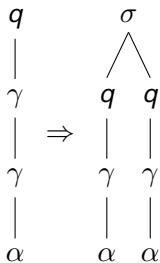
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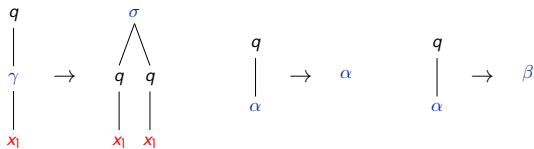
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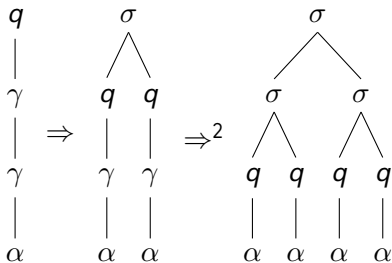
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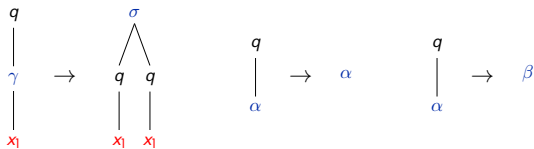
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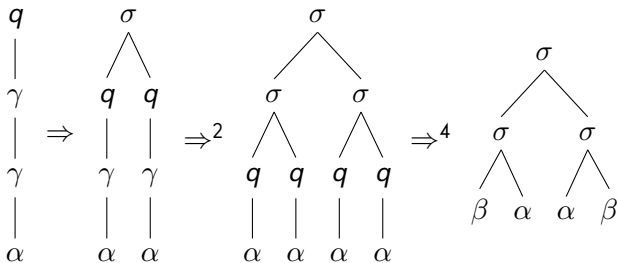
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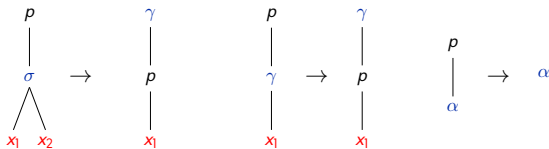
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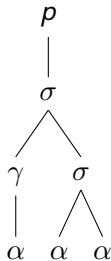
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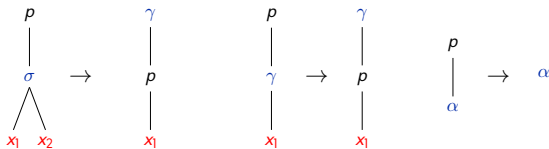
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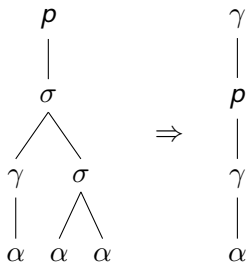
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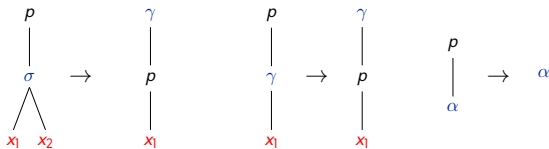


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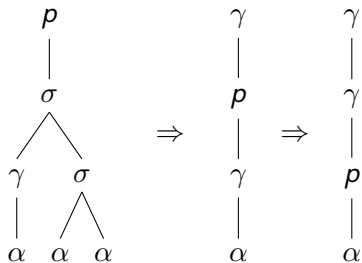




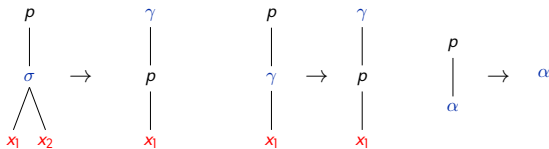
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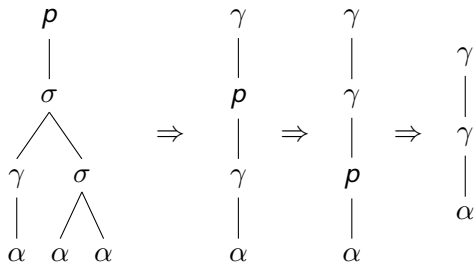
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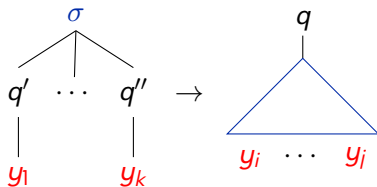
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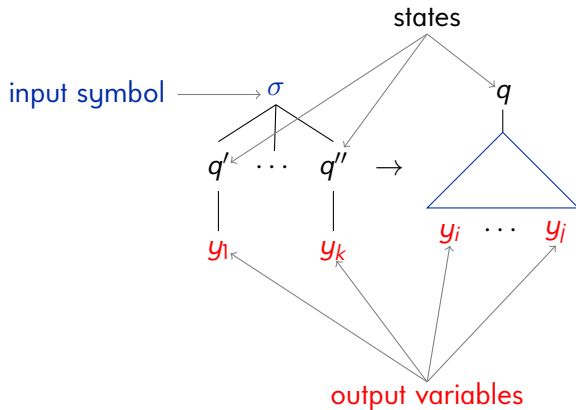
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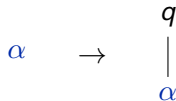
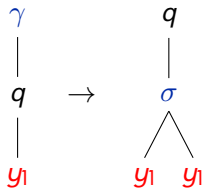
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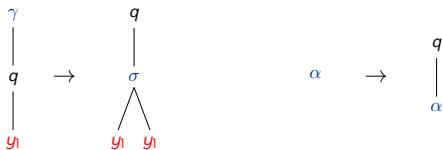
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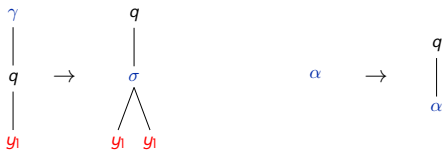
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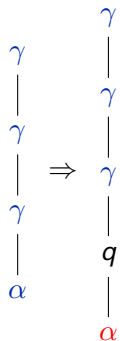
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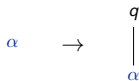
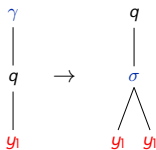
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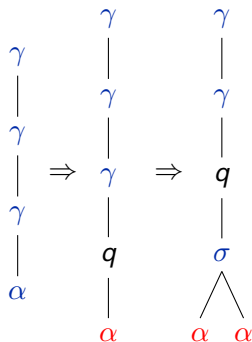
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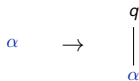
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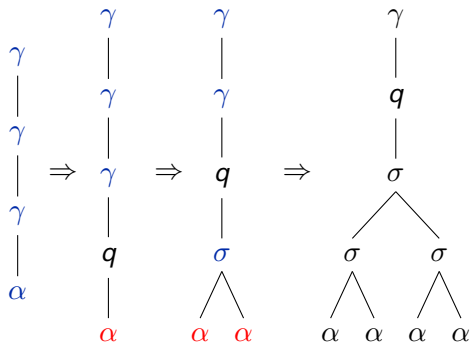
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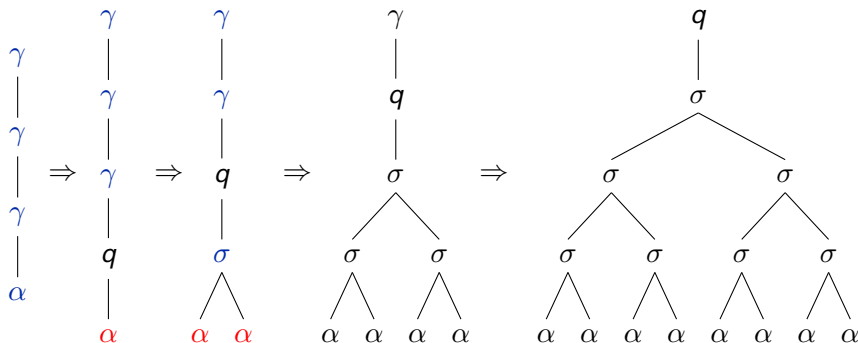
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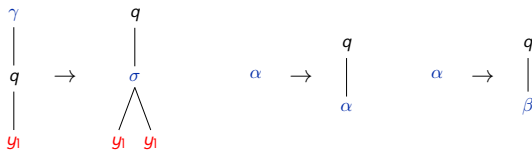
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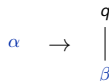
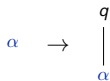
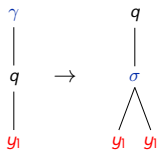
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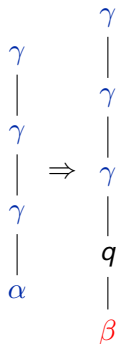
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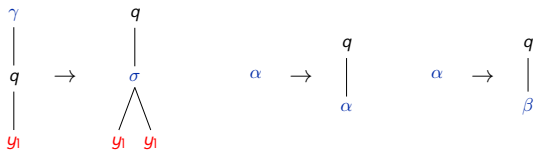


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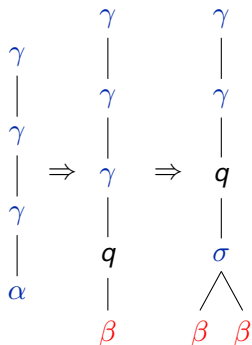




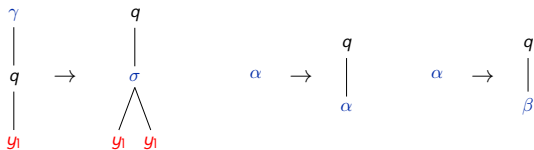
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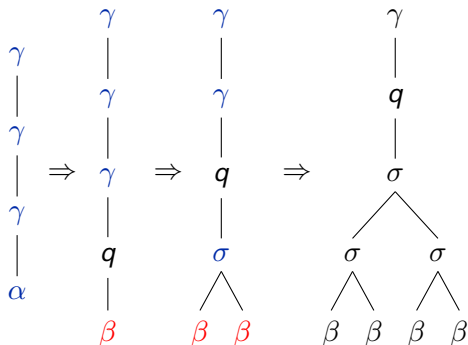
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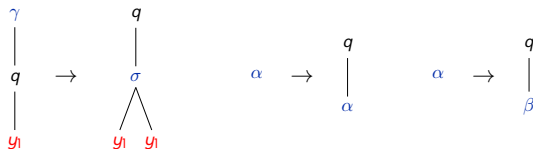
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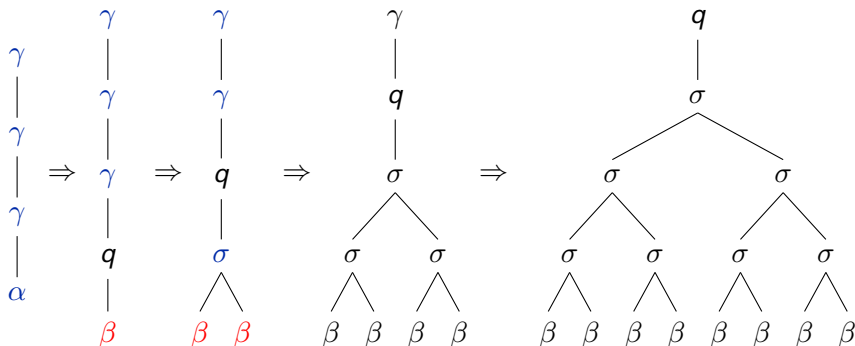
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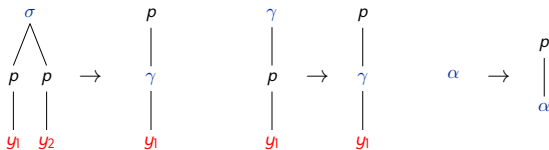
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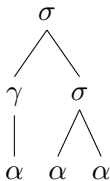
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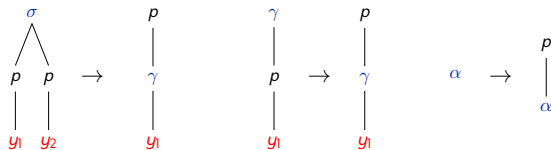
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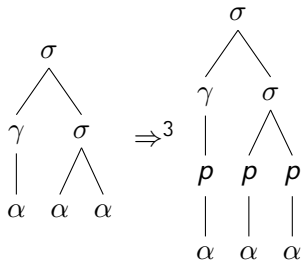
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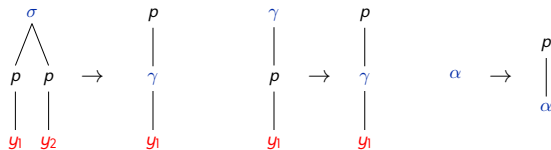
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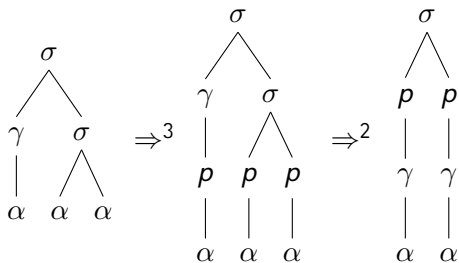
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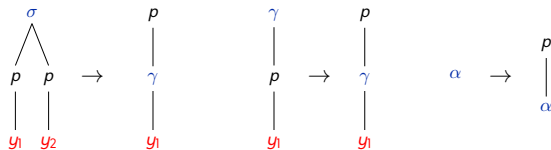
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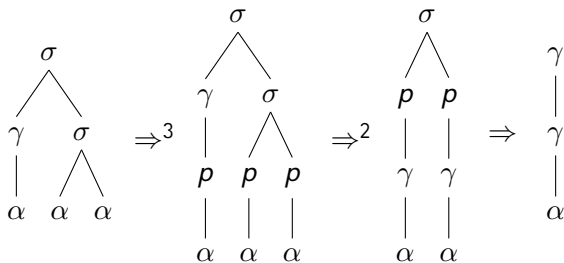
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Extension to TOP and BOT [Kuich 1999], [Engelfriet, Fülöp, Vogler 2002]

- Weights used in practice to resolve nondeterminism
- Each rule is assigned weight
- Weights multiplied along derivation
- Weights of alternatives are added

Typical weights

- Probabilities
- Costs
- Flows
- Profits

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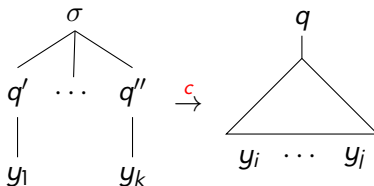
## Example

- Boolean semiring  $(\{0, 1\}, \max, \min, 0, 1)$  (unweighted case)
- semiring  $(\mathbb{N}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  of nonnegative integers
- field  $(\mathbb{Q}, +, \cdot, 0, 1)$  of rational numbers
- any field, ring, etc.

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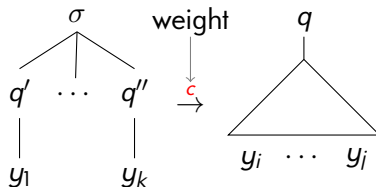
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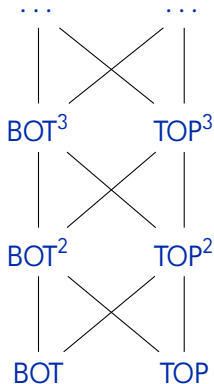
## Note

- Weighted composition is standard matrix product (identify  $\tau_1 \in C^{T_\Sigma \times T_\Gamma}$  and  $\tau_2 \in C^{T_\Gamma \times T_\Delta}$ )

# Weighted Composition Hierarchy

## Existing hierarchy

[Fülöp, Gazdag, Vogler 2004]



Weight structure **must not** be ring

(Non-rings permit semiring homomorphism into Boolean semiring)

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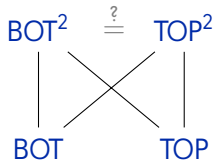
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- HOM-problem
  - ▶ in NL for certain semirings that embed into field [M., Nász, Paul 2023]
  - ▶ Unweighted: ExpTime-complete [Creus, Gascón, Godoy, Ramos 2016]

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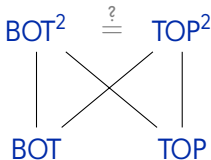
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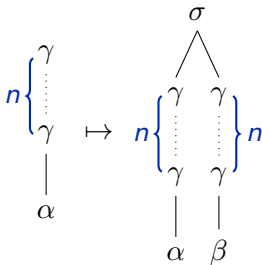
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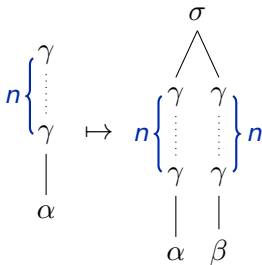
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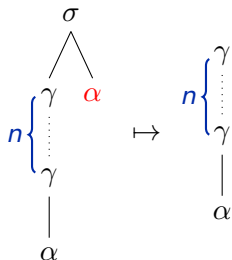


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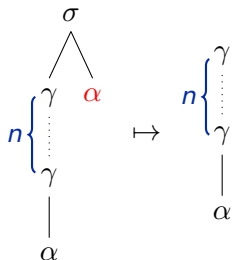
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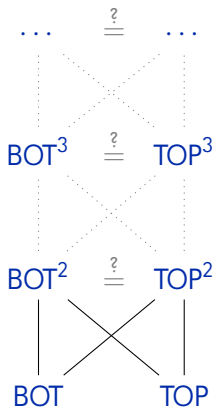
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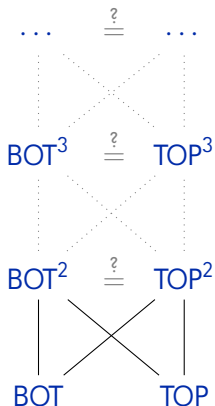
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