

Tree Transformations and Dependencies

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Rather I want to show a useful technique.



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Answers

- pumping lemma (BAR-HILLEL lemma)
- semi-linearity (PARIKH's theorem)
- ...

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Hardly ever ...

Let us assume that there is a CFG ...

(long case distinction on the shape of its rules)

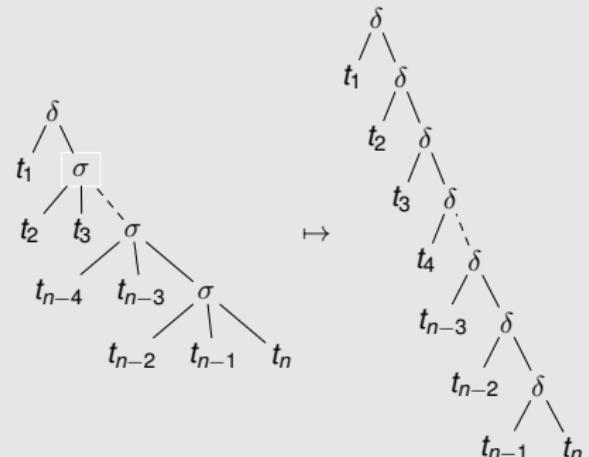
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Tree Transformation

Application areas

- NLP
- XML processing
- syntax-directed semantics

Example





Tree Transducer

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- top-down or bottom-up tree transducer
- synchronous grammar (SCFG, STSG, STAG, etc.)
- multi bottom-up tree transducer
- bimorphism

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- size and height dependencies
- domain and image properties
- properties under composition (??)

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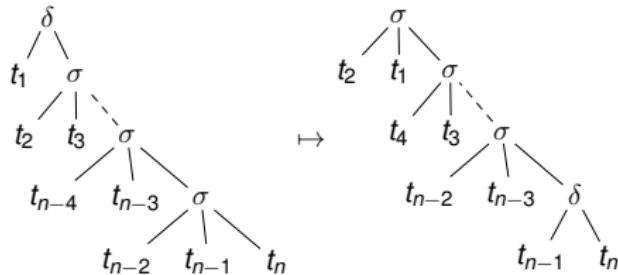
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Typical approach

- Assume that it can be computed **Contradiction!**

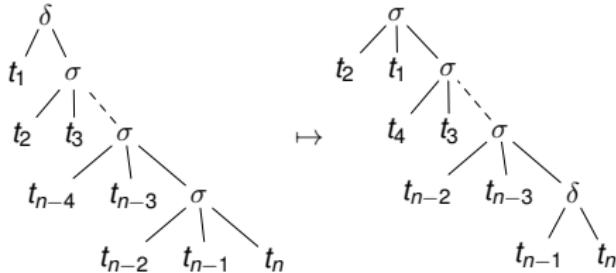
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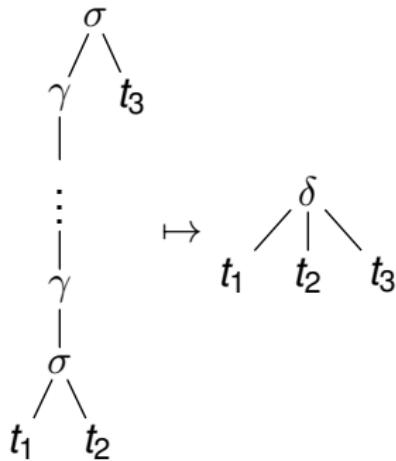
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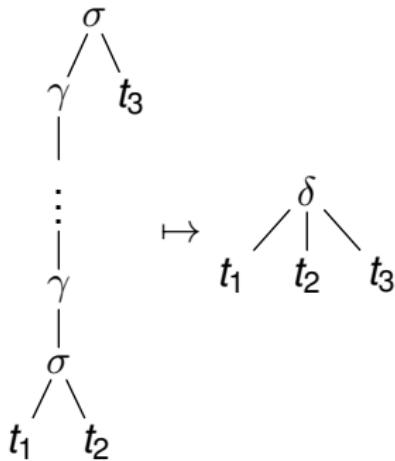
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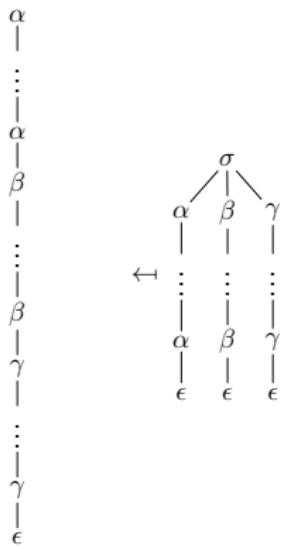
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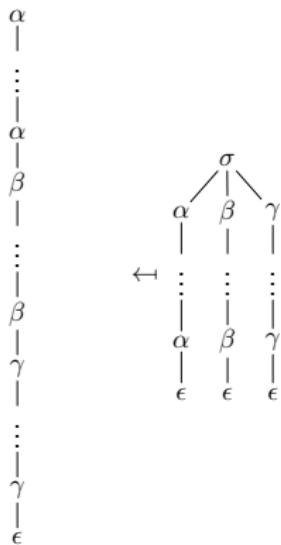
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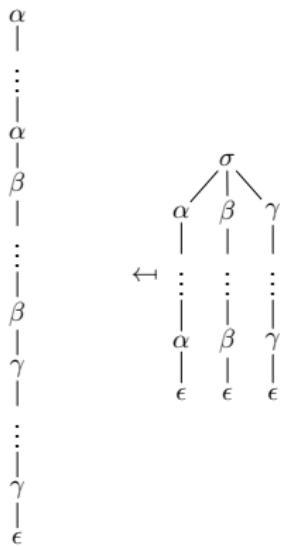
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 - l and r are linear in Q
 - $\text{var}(l) = \text{var}(r)$

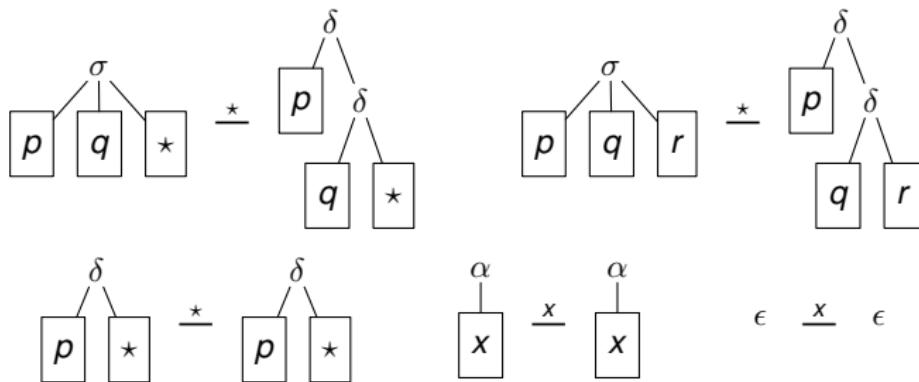
for every $l \xrightarrow{q} r \in R$

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Example XTOP

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XTOP $(Q, \Sigma, \Sigma, \{\star\}, R)$ with $Q = \{\star, p, q, r\}$ and $\Sigma = \{\sigma, \delta, \alpha, \epsilon\}$



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$\langle \xi, D, \zeta \rangle \in T_\Sigma(Q) \times \mathcal{L} \times T_\Delta(Q)$ such that

- $v \in \text{pos}(\xi)$ and $w \in \text{pos}(\zeta)$ for every $(v, w) \in D$.

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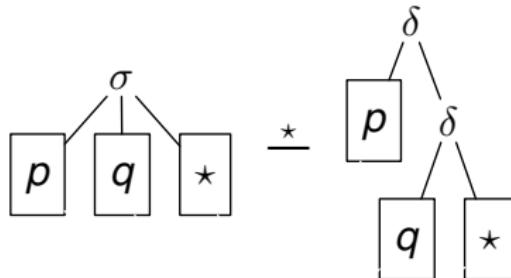
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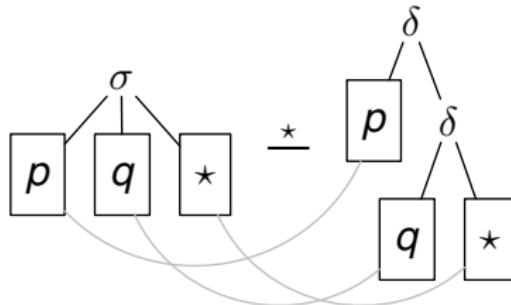


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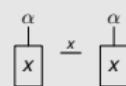
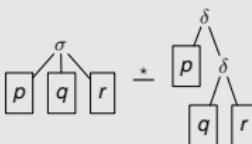
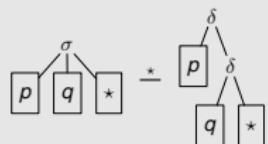
$$\langle \xi, D, \zeta \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \xi[I]_v, D \cup \text{links}_{v,w}(I \xrightarrow{q} r), \zeta[r]_w \rangle$$

if

- rule $I \xrightarrow{q} r \in R$
- position $v \in \text{pos}_q(\xi)$
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Derivation

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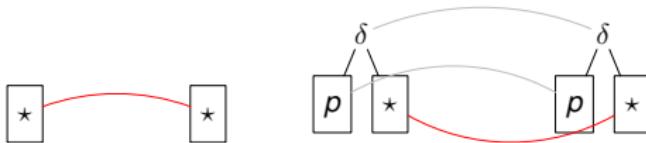
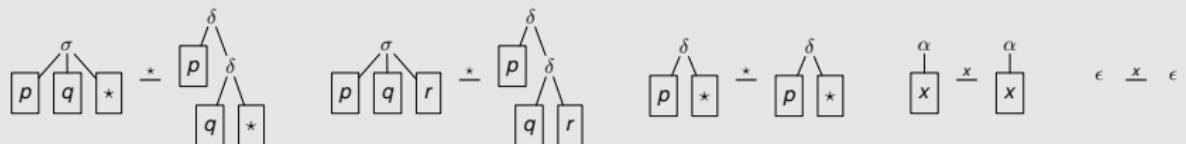


$$\epsilon \xrightarrow{x} \epsilon$$



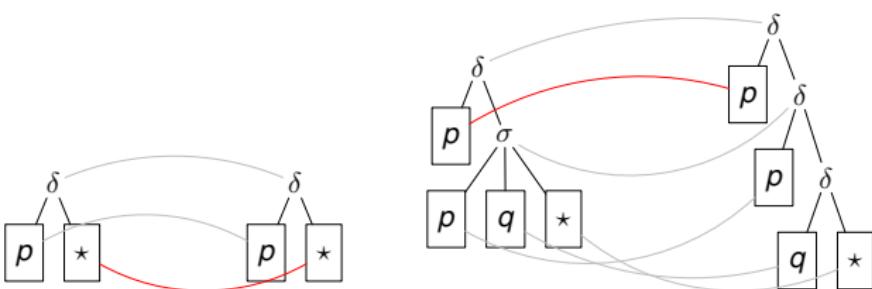
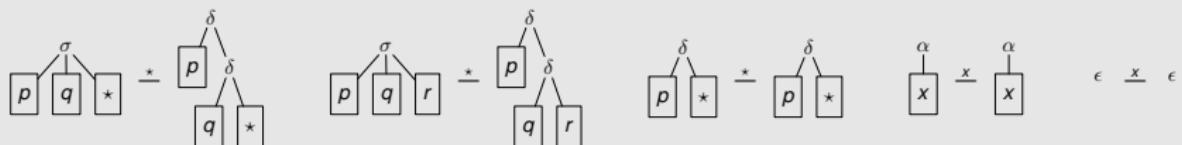
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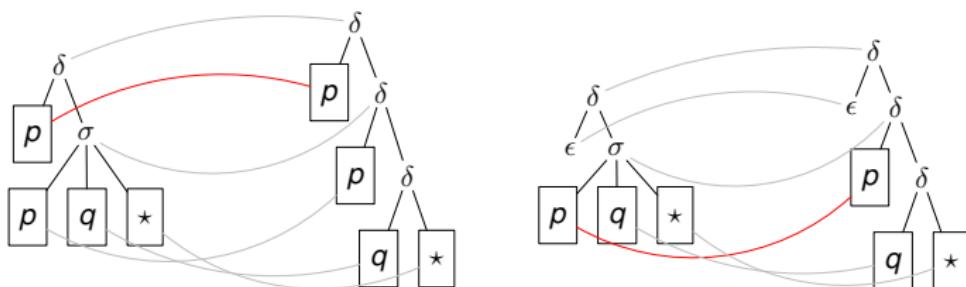
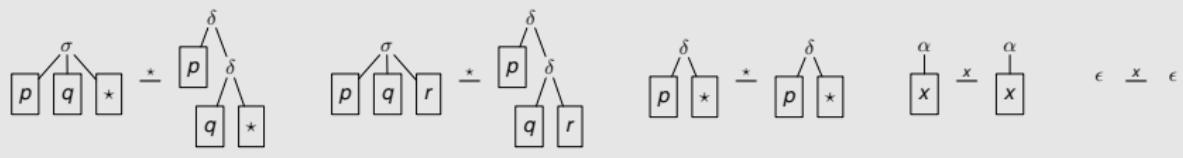
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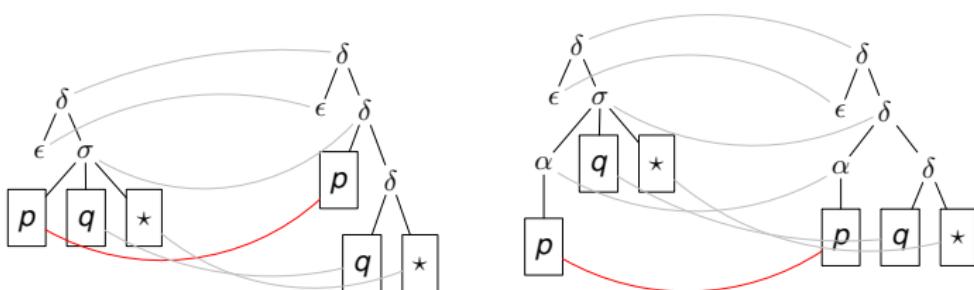
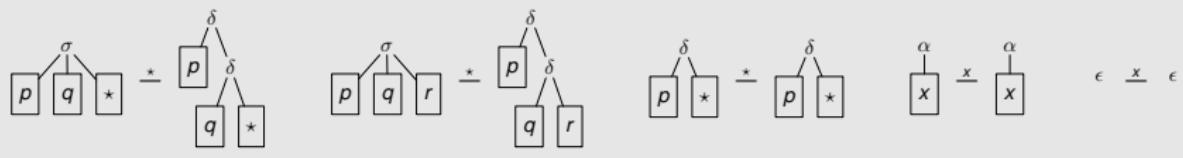
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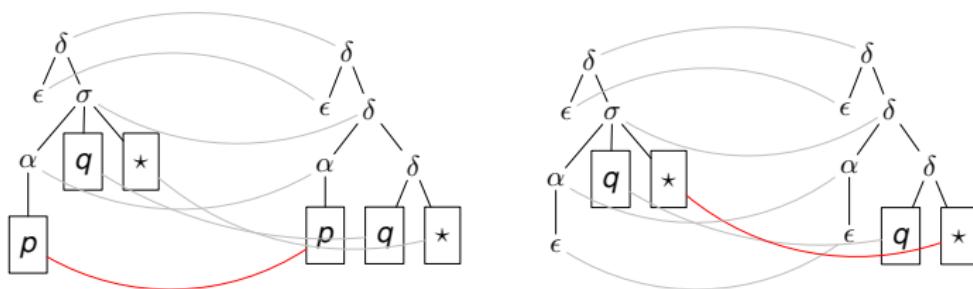
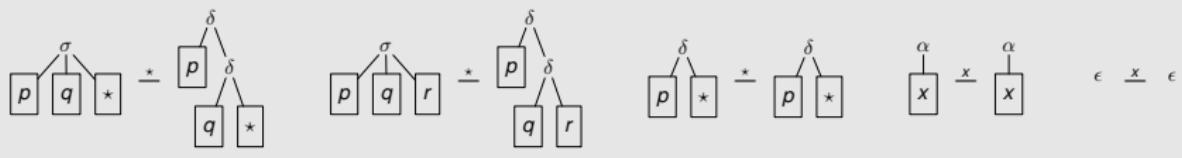
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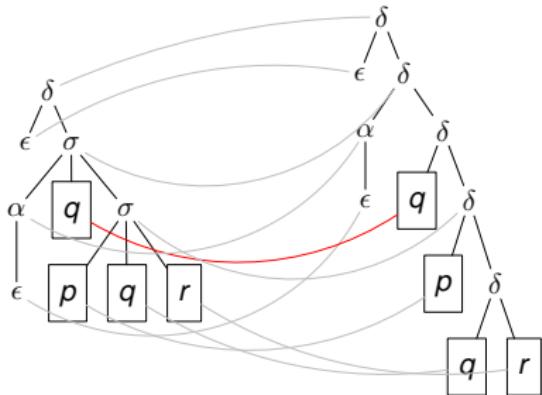
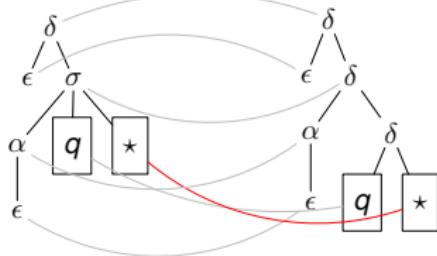
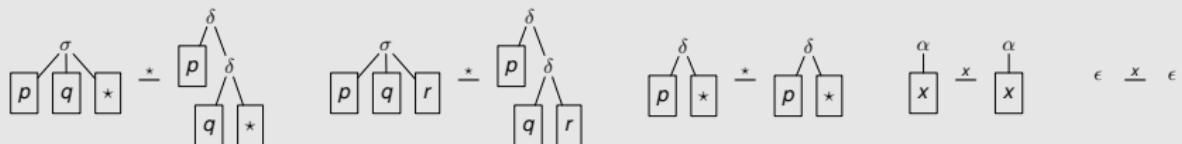
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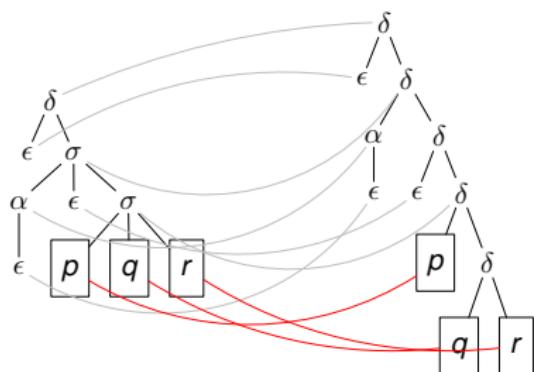
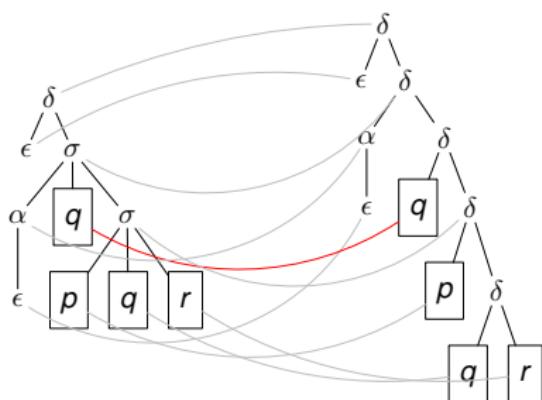
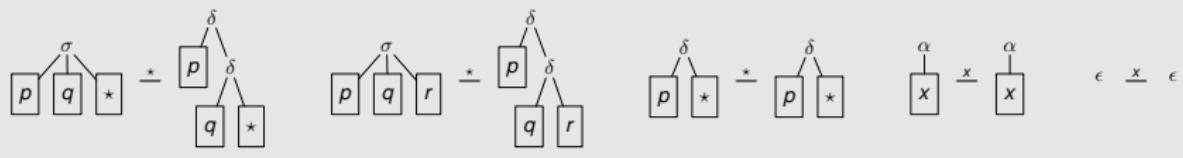
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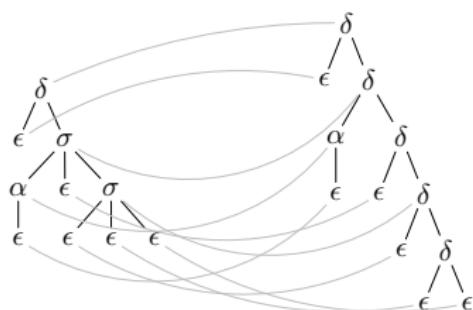
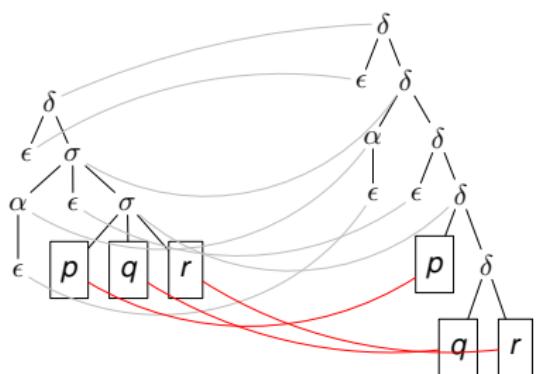
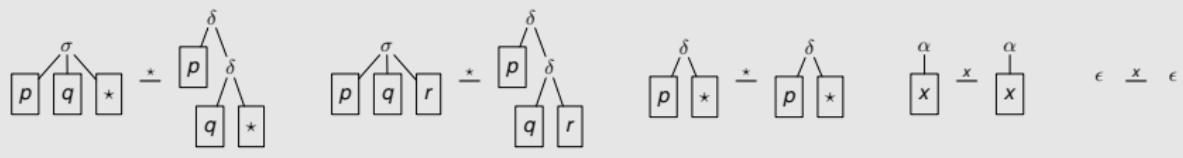
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Semantics of XTOP

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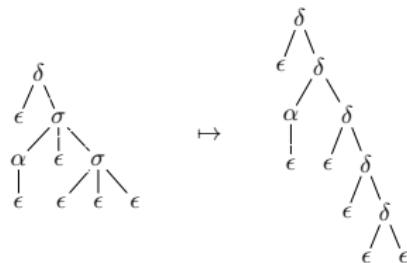
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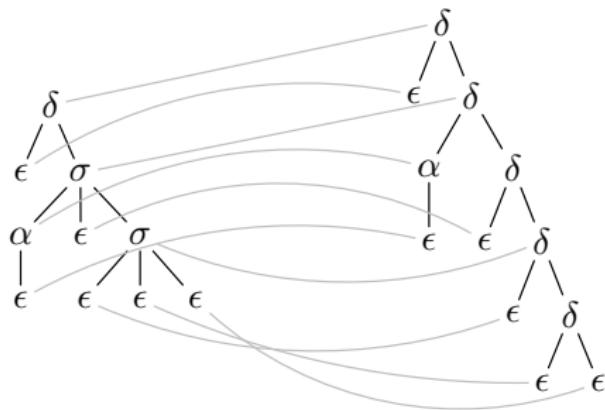
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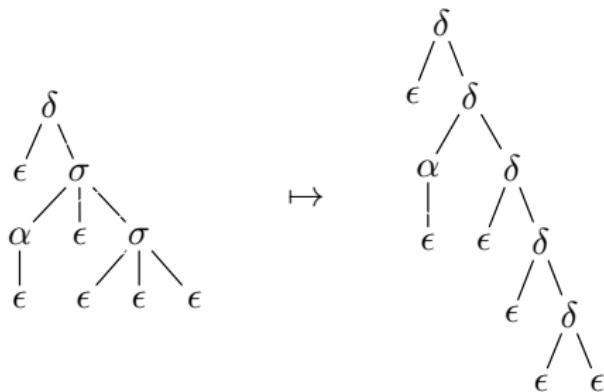
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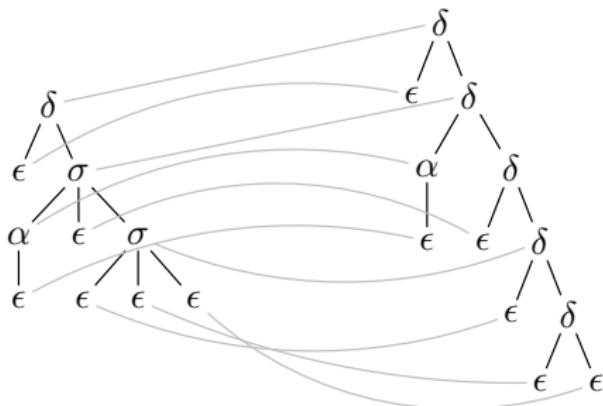
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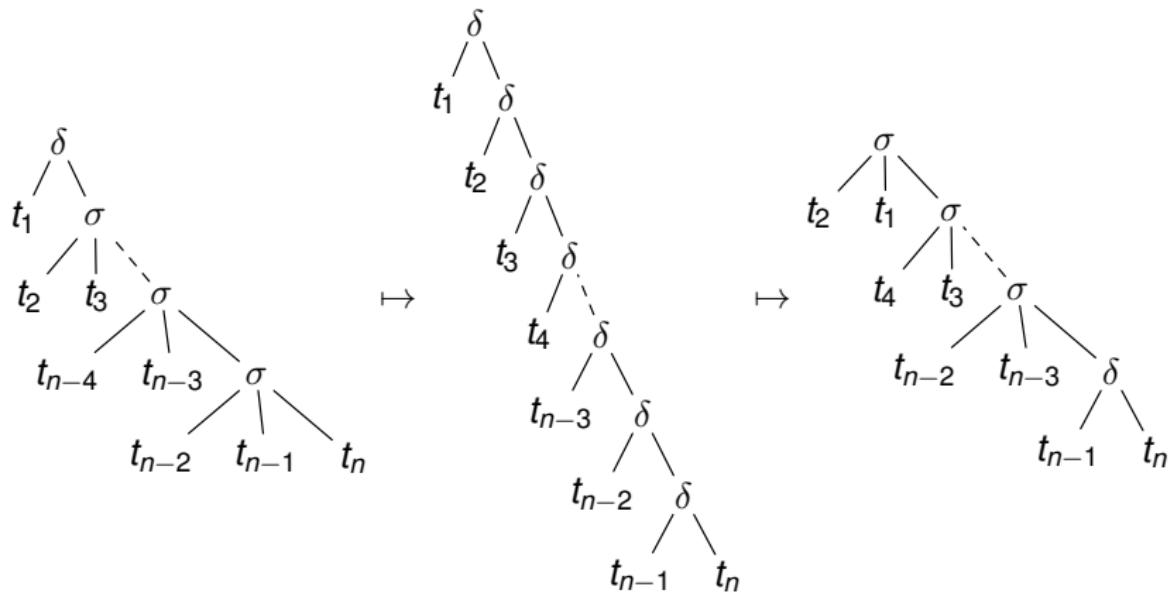
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Non-closure under Composition



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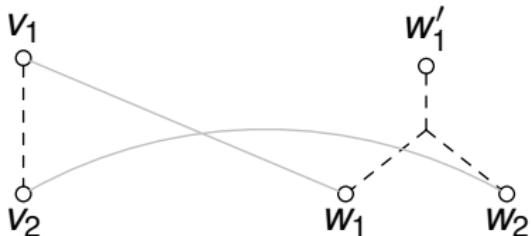
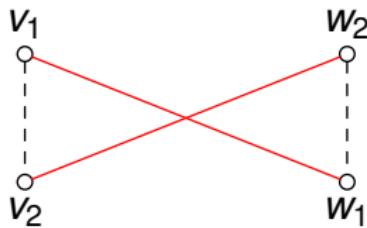
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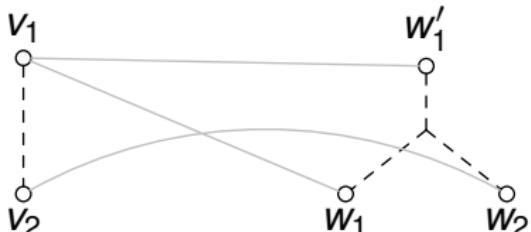
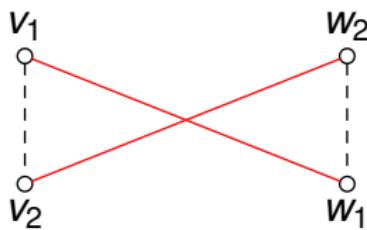


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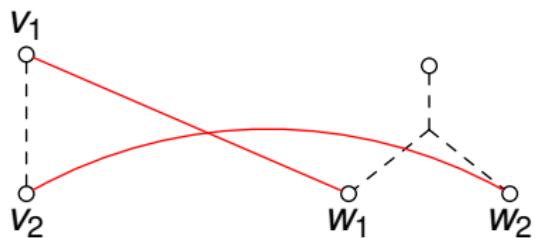


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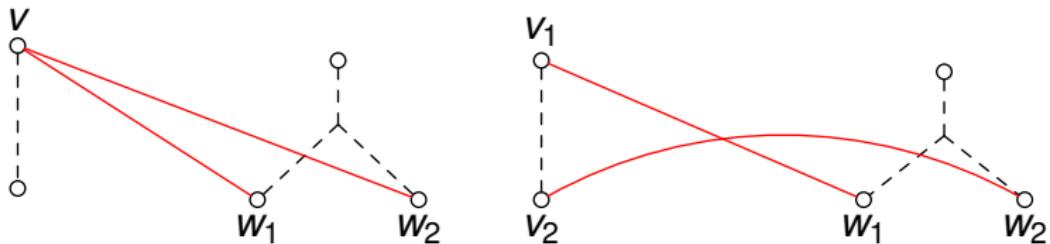


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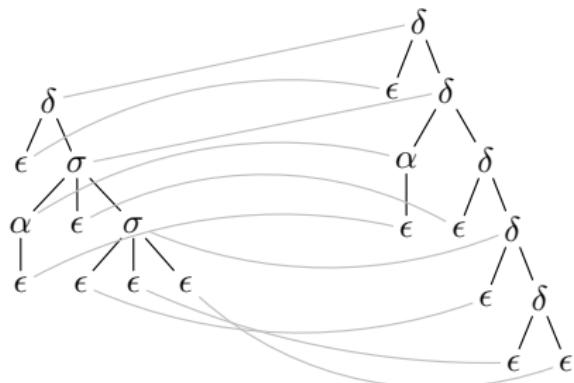
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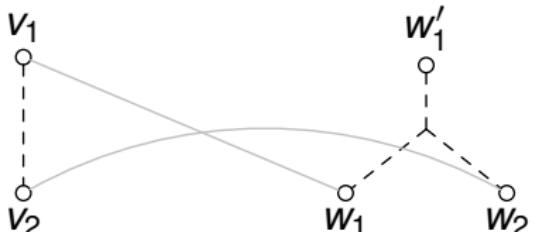
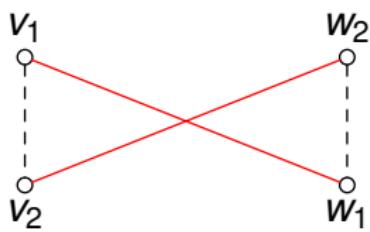
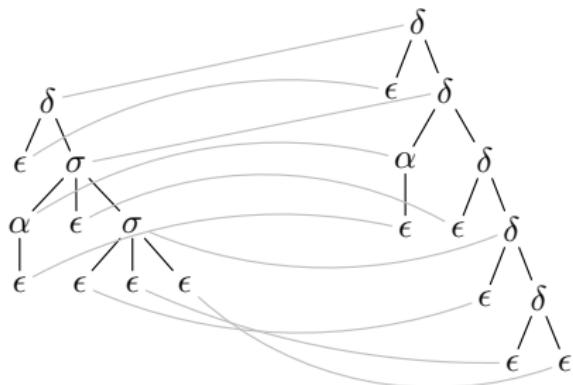
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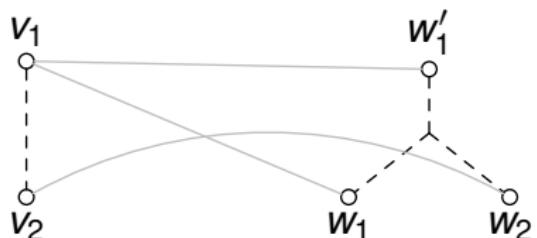
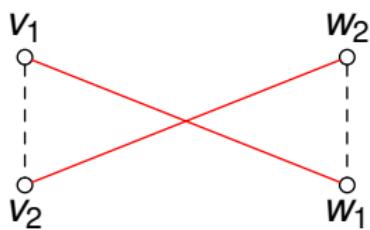
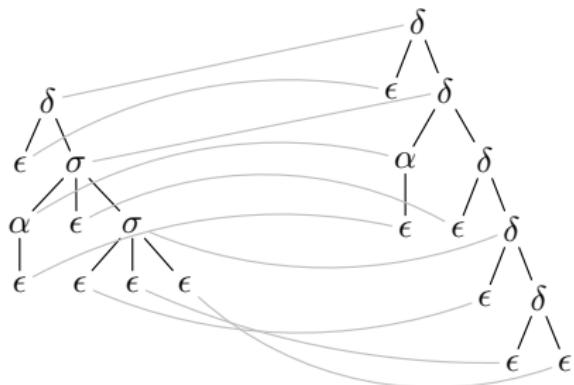
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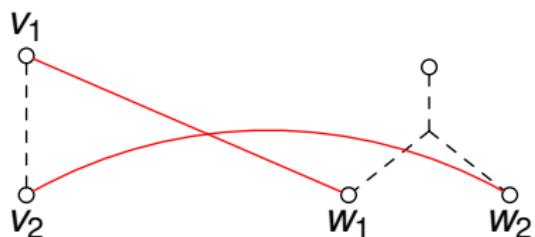
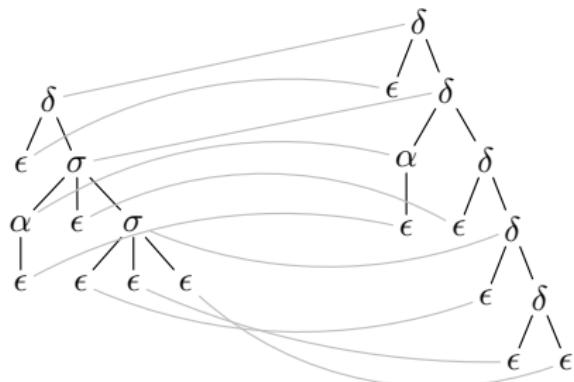
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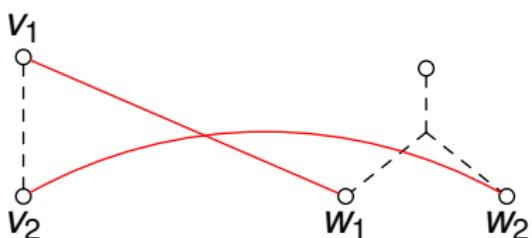
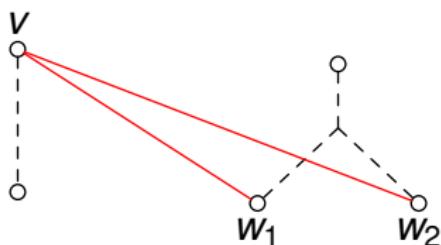
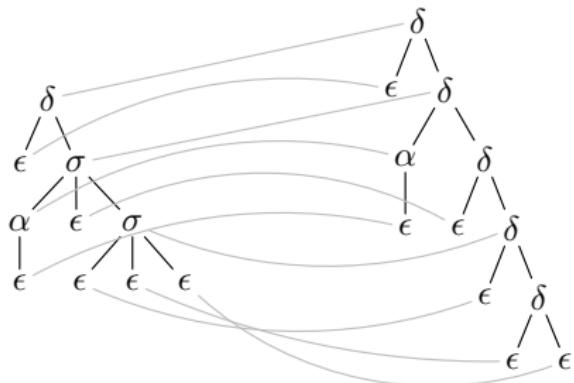
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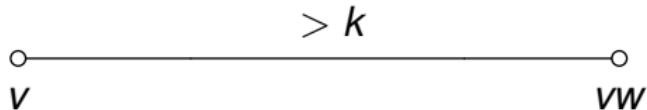
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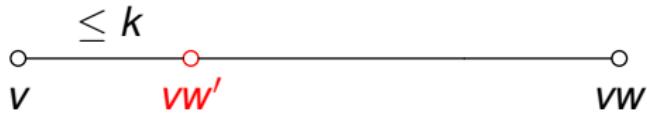
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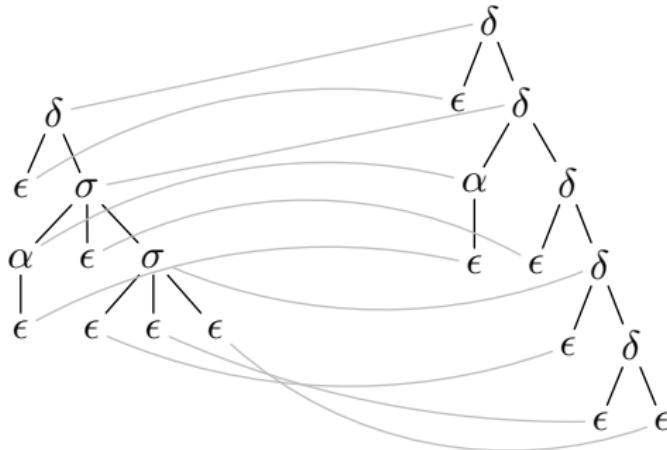
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- (symmetric property for range)

Bounded Distance



Example

- input side: bounded by 1
- output side: bounded by 2

Main Result

Theorem

The dependencies computed by an XTOP are:

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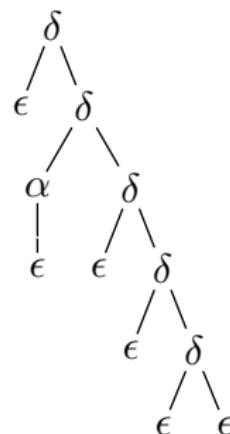
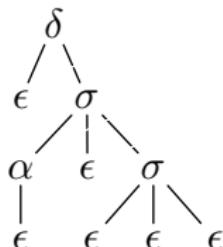
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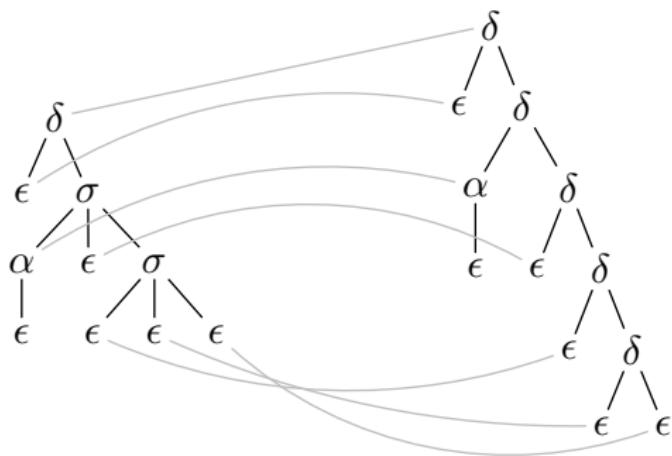
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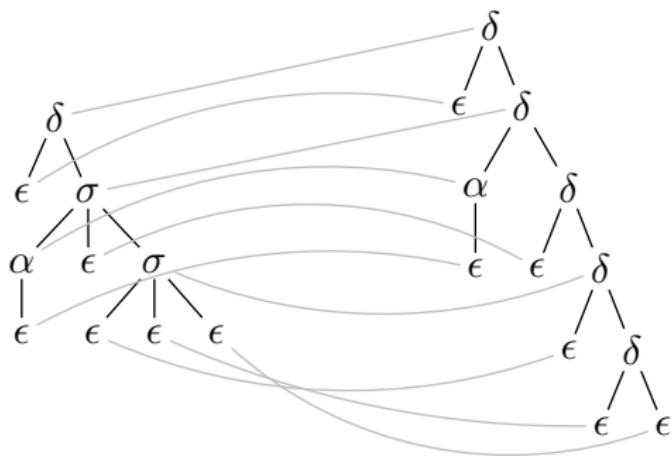
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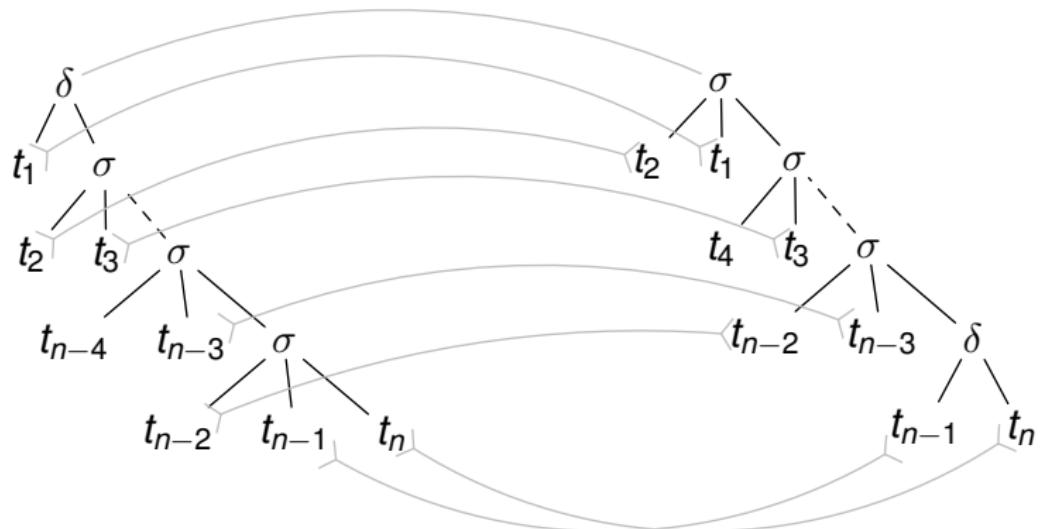
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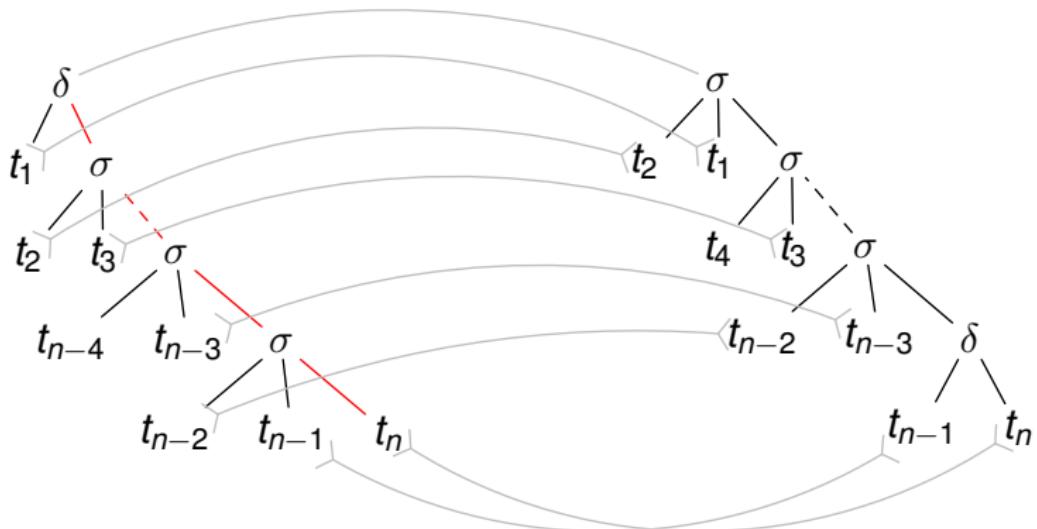
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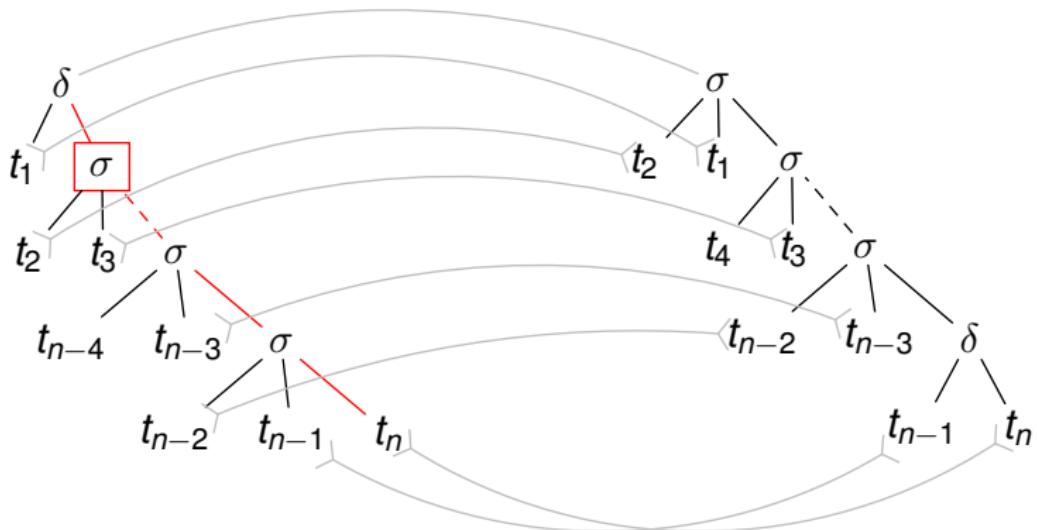


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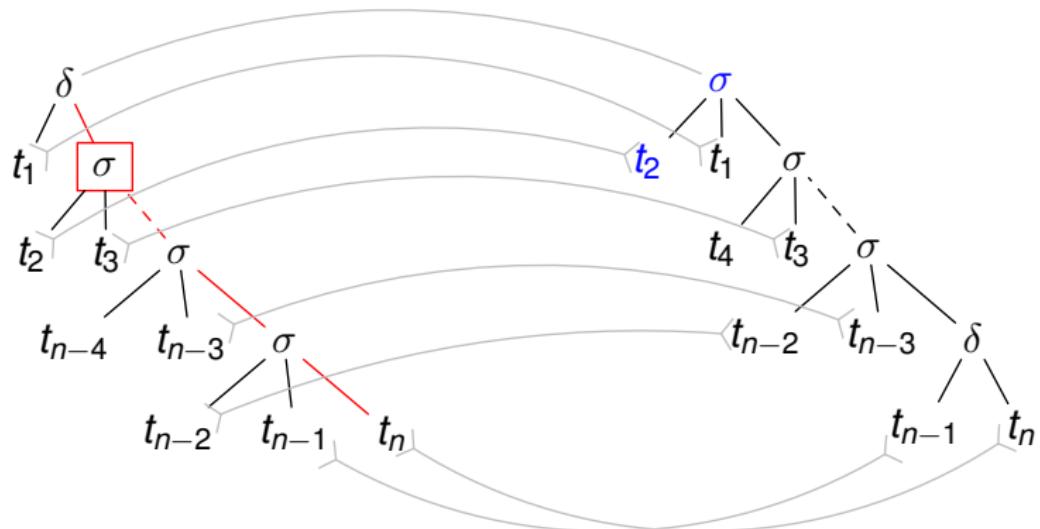
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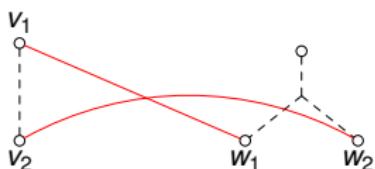
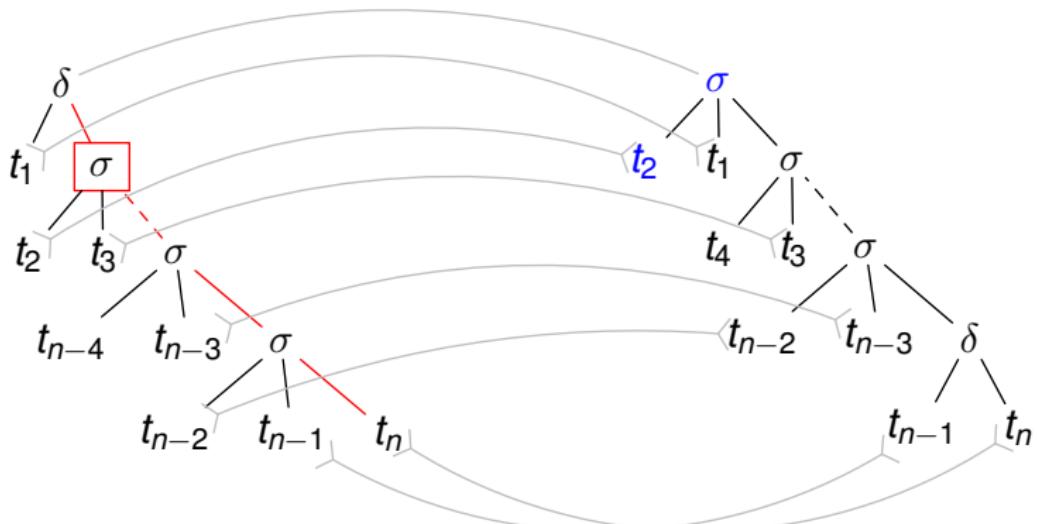


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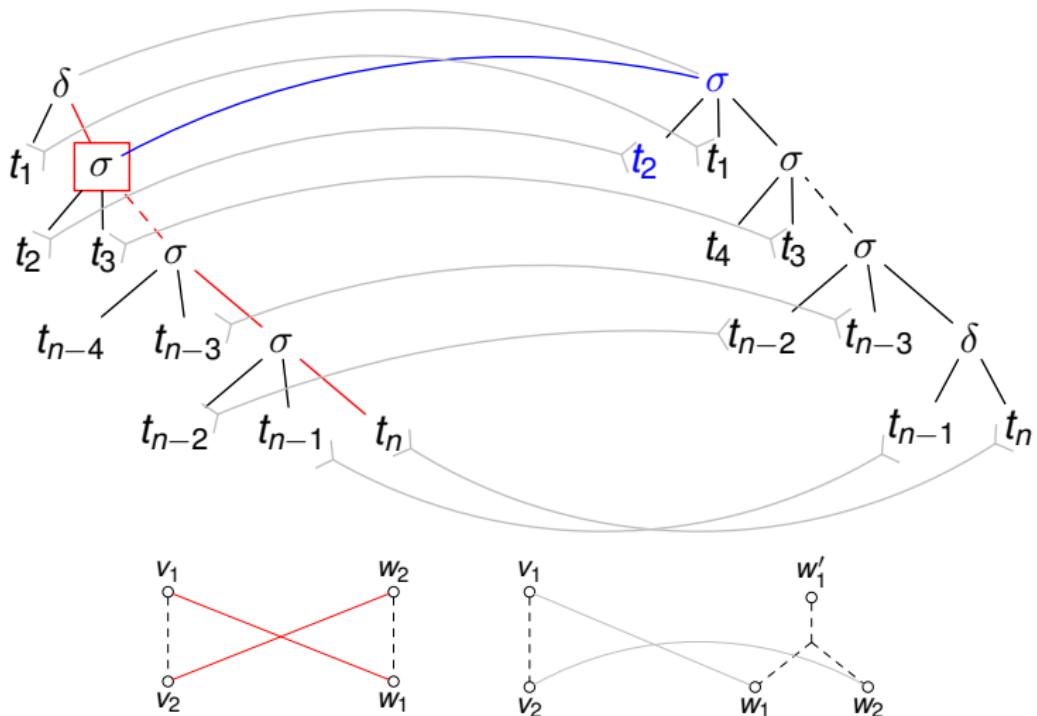
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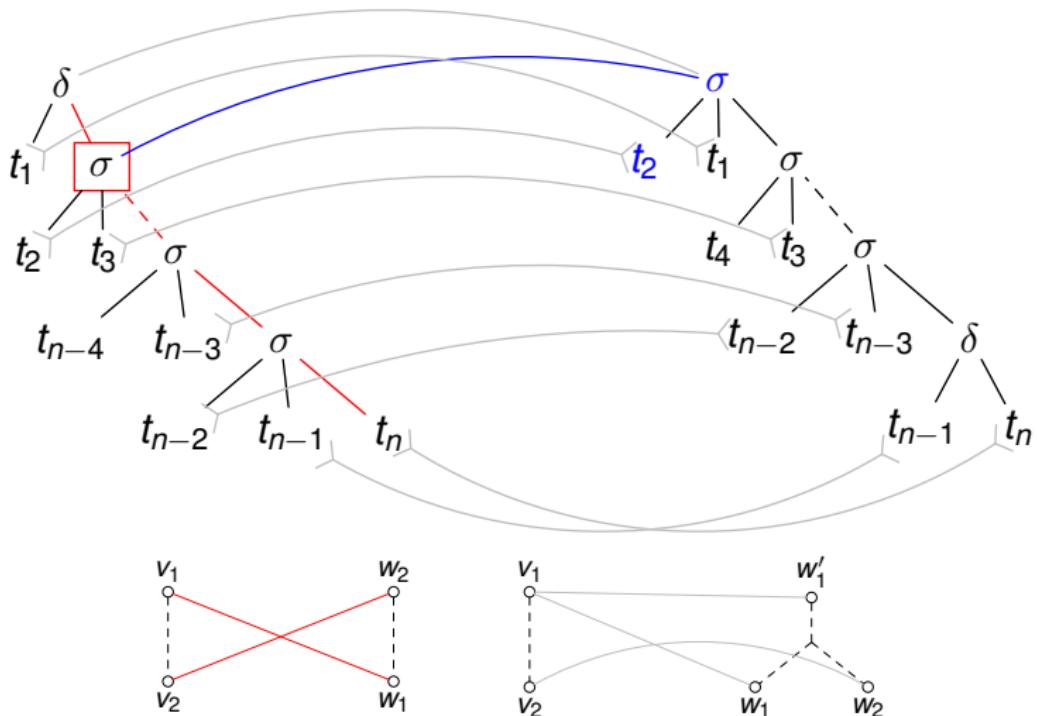
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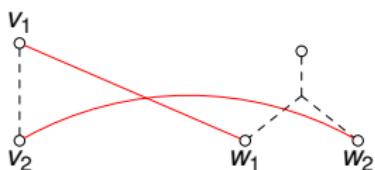
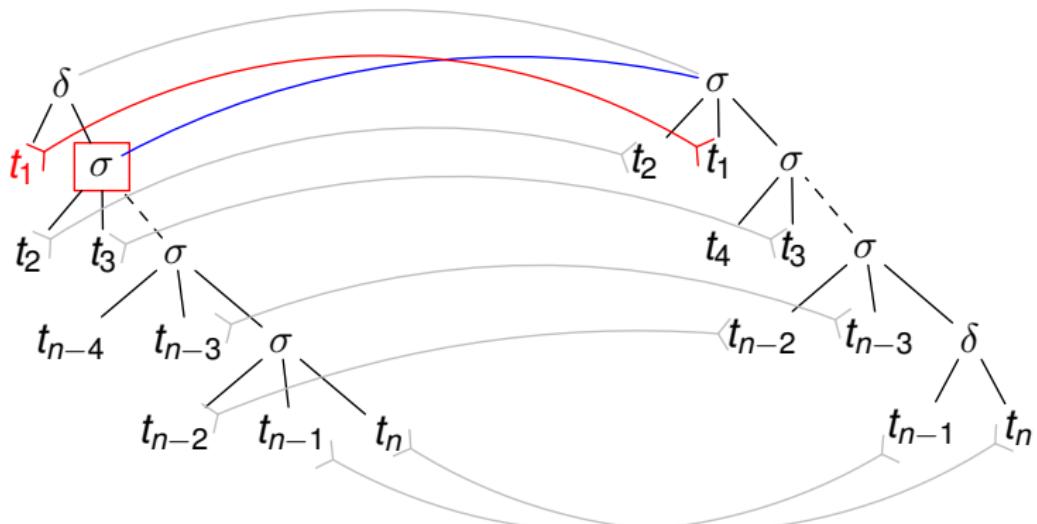
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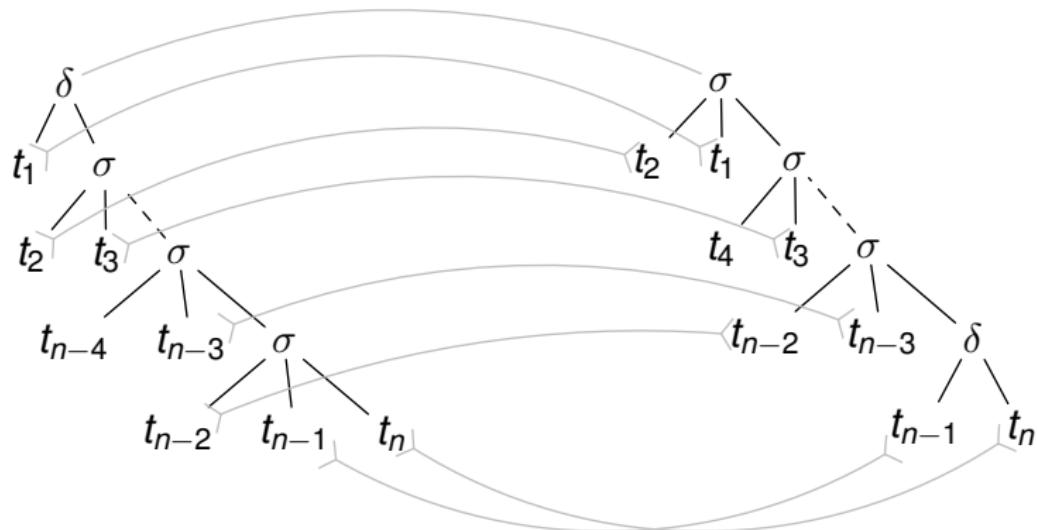
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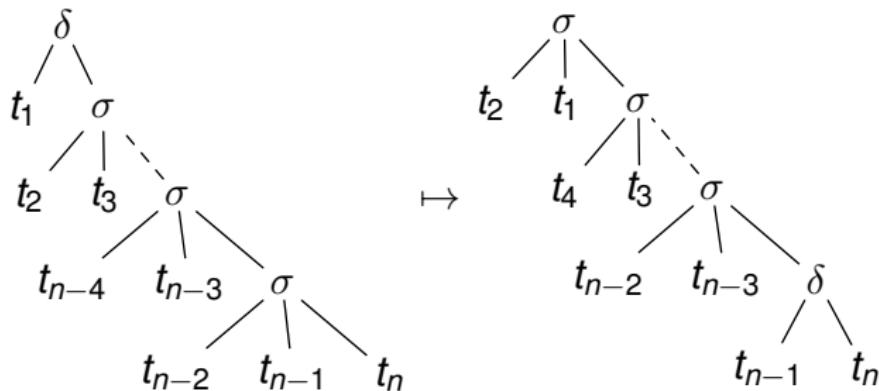
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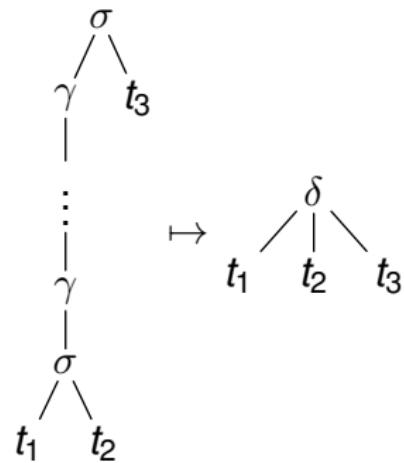
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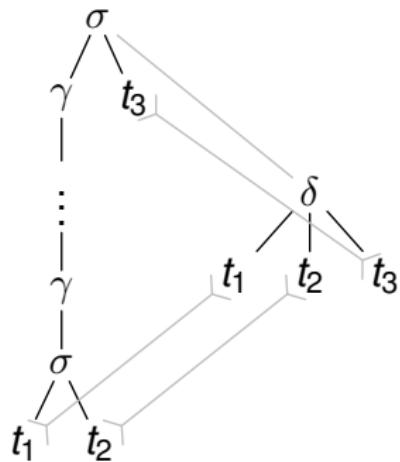
Theorem (ARNOLD, DAUCHET 1982)

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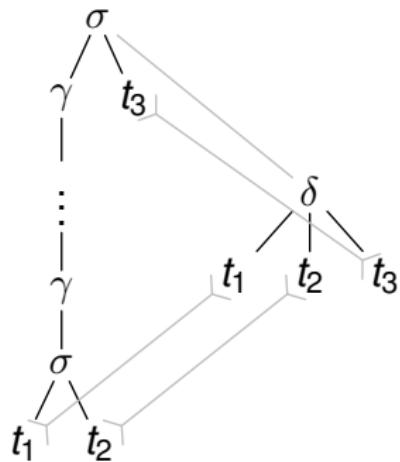
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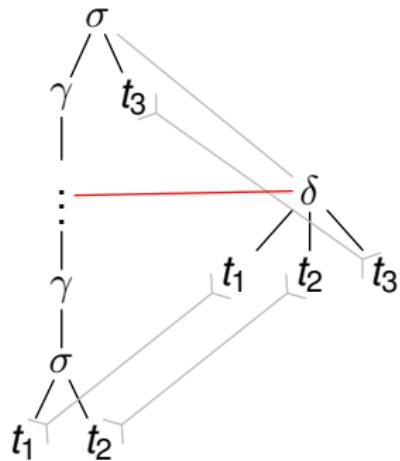


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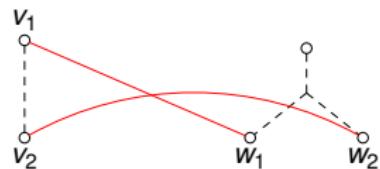
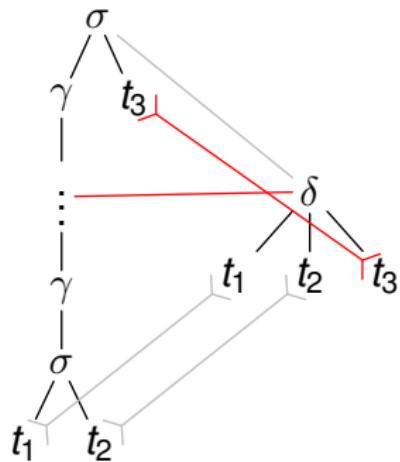
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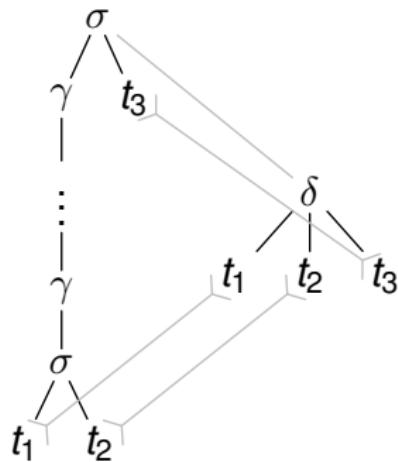


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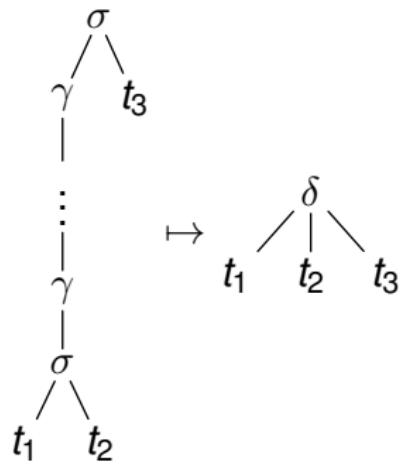
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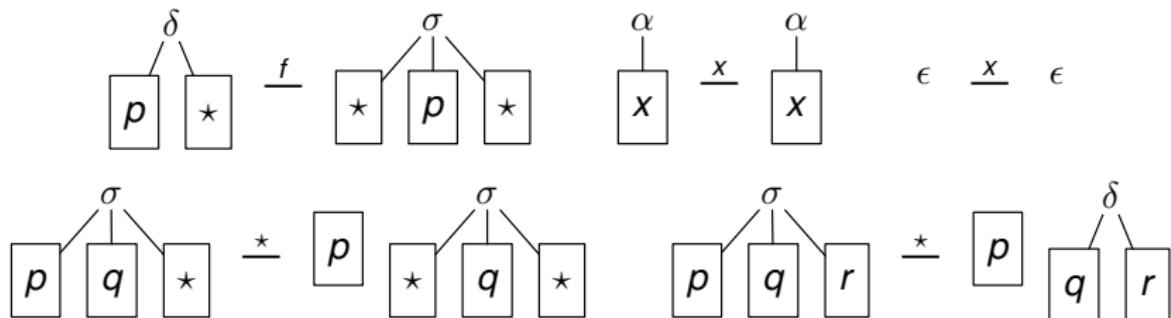
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 - I is linear in Q
 - $\text{rk}(q) = |\vec{r}|$
 - $\text{var}(\vec{r}) \subseteq \text{var}(I)$

for every $(I, q, \vec{r}) \in R$

Example MBOT

Example

$(Q, \Sigma, \Sigma, \{f\}, R)$ with $Q = \{\star^{(2)}, p^{(1)}, q^{(1)}, r^{(1)}, f^{(1)}\}$ and
 $\Sigma = \{\sigma, \delta, \alpha, \epsilon\}$



New Linking Structure

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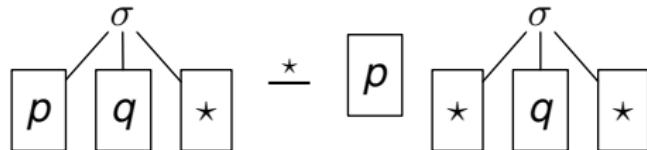
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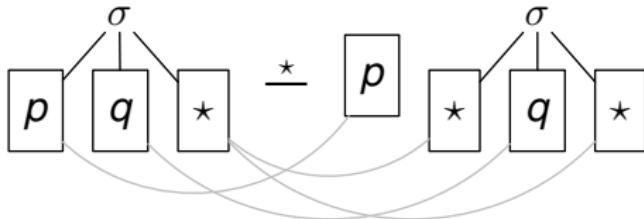
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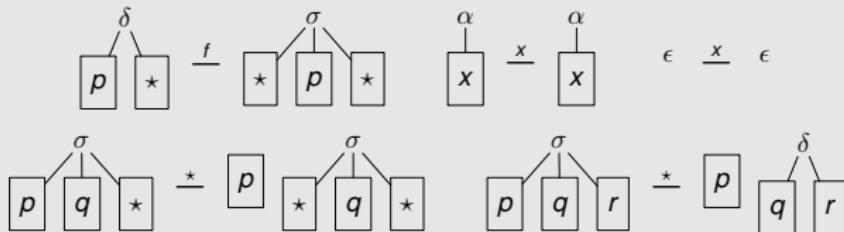
$$\langle \xi, D, \zeta \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \xi[I]_v, D \cup \text{links}_{v, \vec{w}}(I \xrightarrow{q} \vec{r}), \zeta[\vec{r}]_{\vec{w}} \rangle$$

if

- rule $I \xrightarrow{q} \vec{r} \in R$ with $\text{rk}(q) = n$
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 - $w_1 \sqsubset \cdots \sqsubset w_n$
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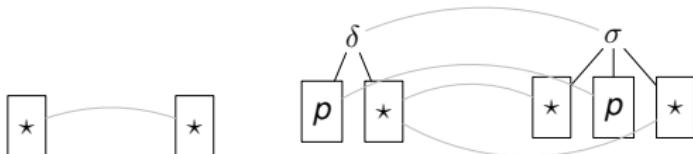
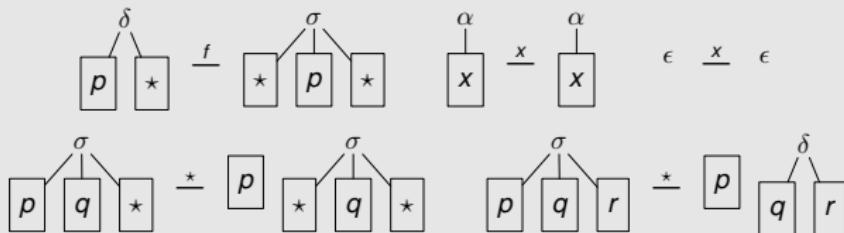
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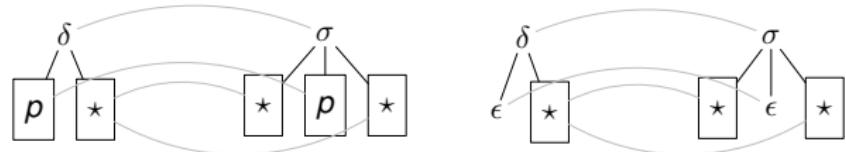
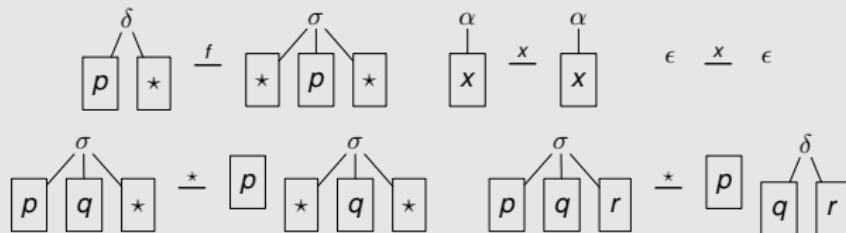
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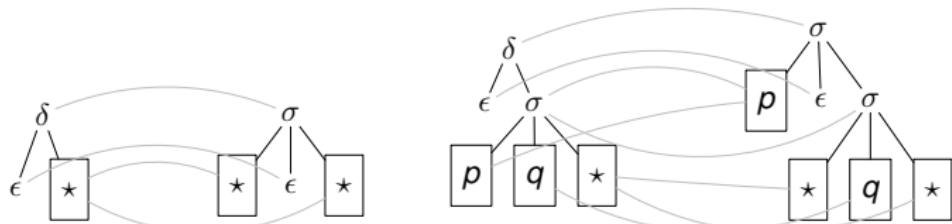
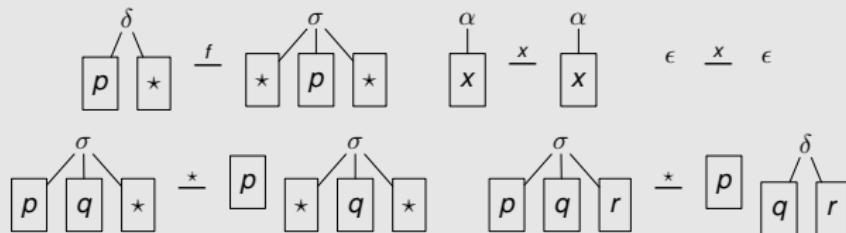
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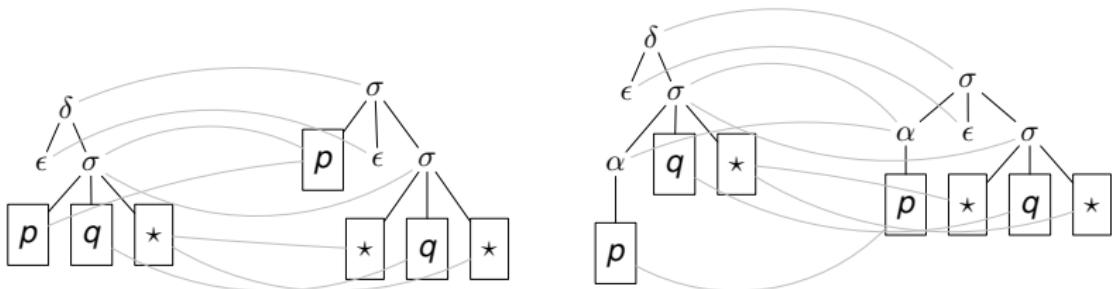
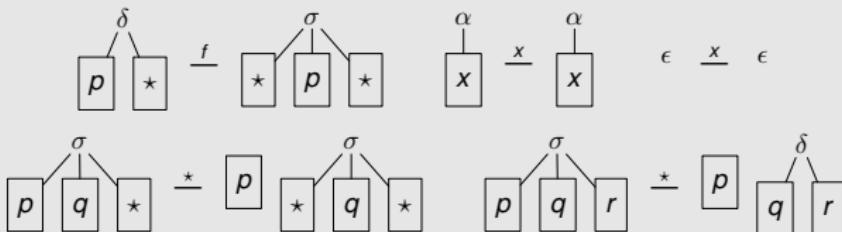
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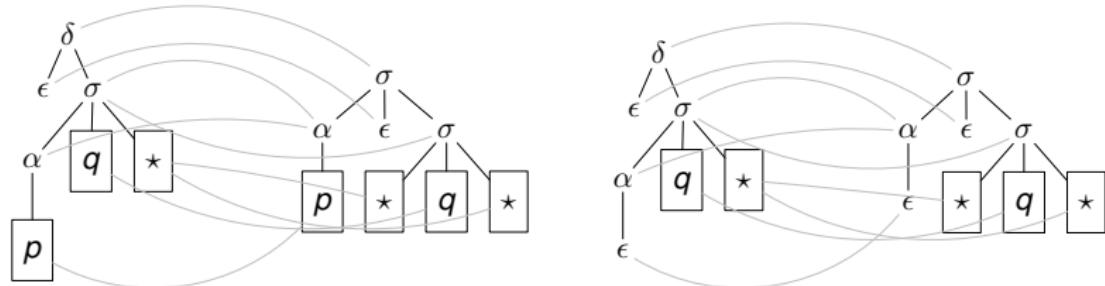
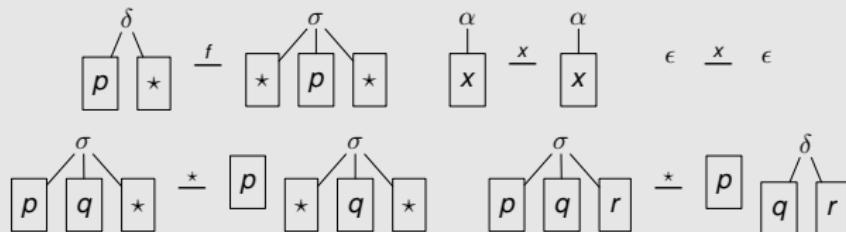
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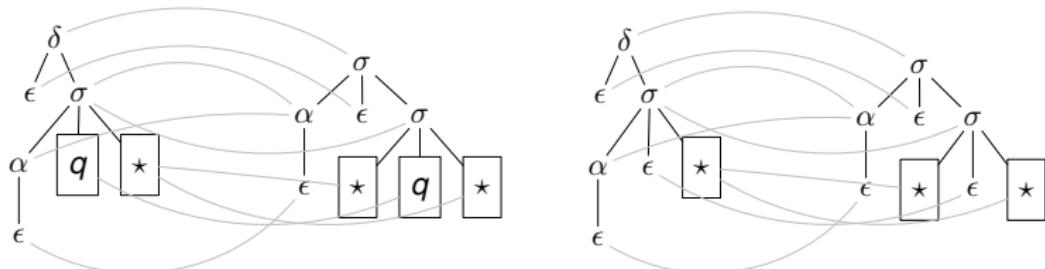
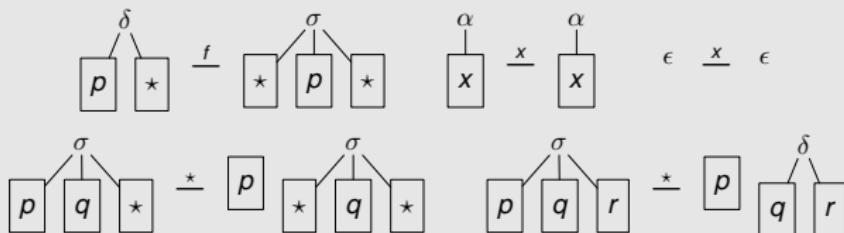
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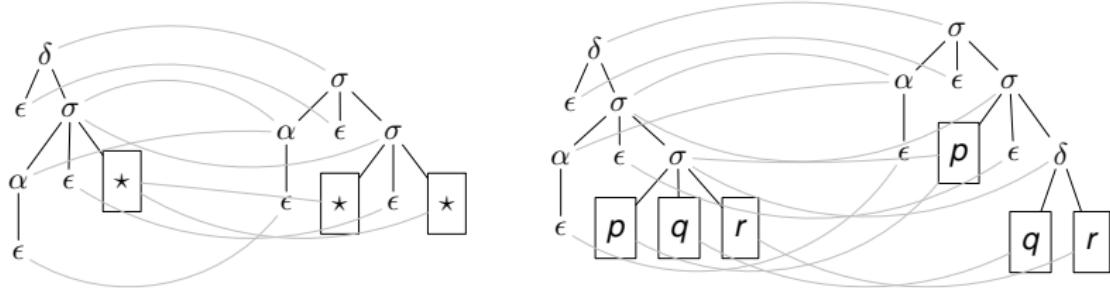
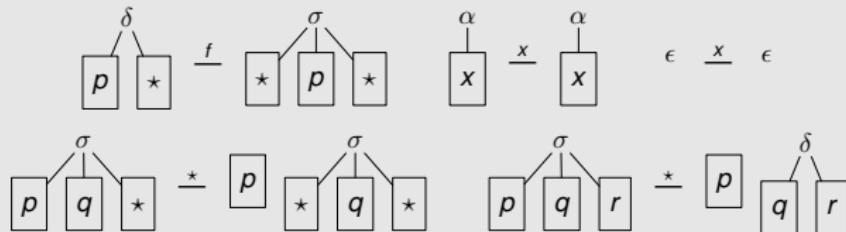
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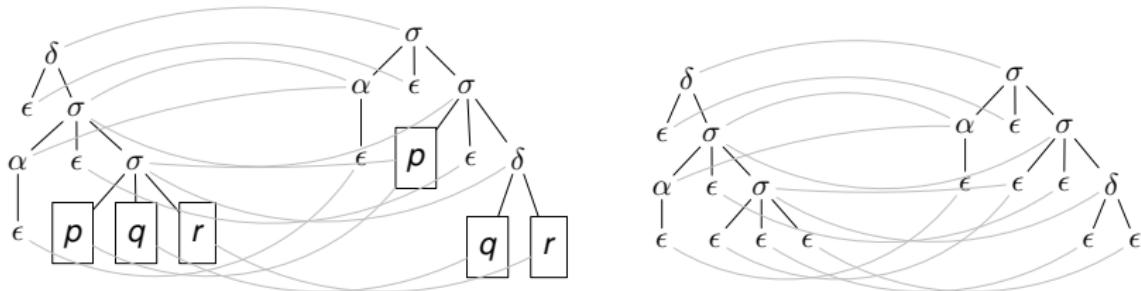
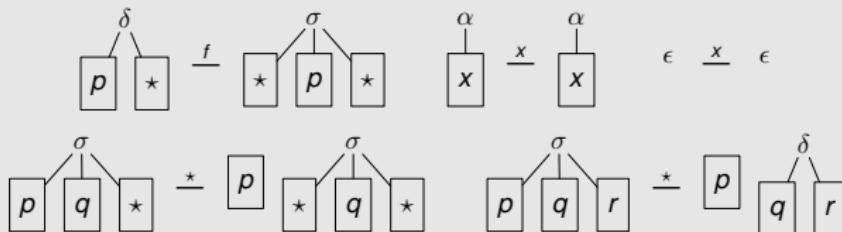
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Semantics of MBOT

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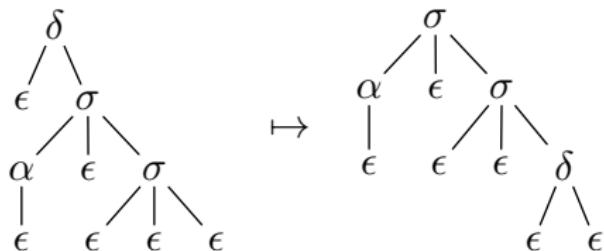
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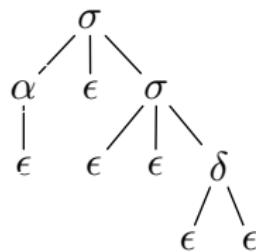
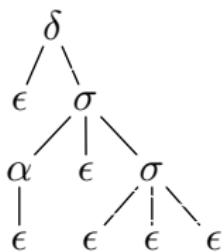
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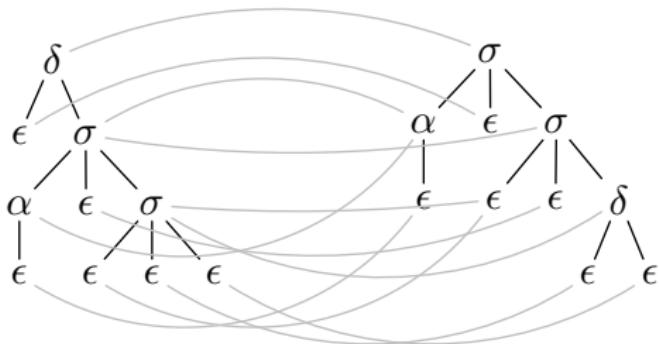
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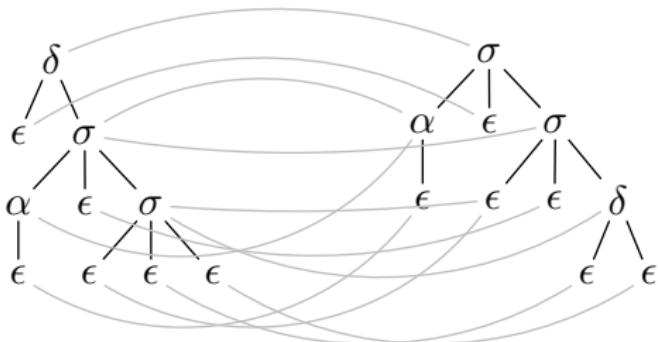
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$D = \{(\varepsilon, \varepsilon), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 3), (21, 1), (211, 11), (22, 32), (23, 31), (23, 33), (231, 31), (232, 331), (233, 332)\}$

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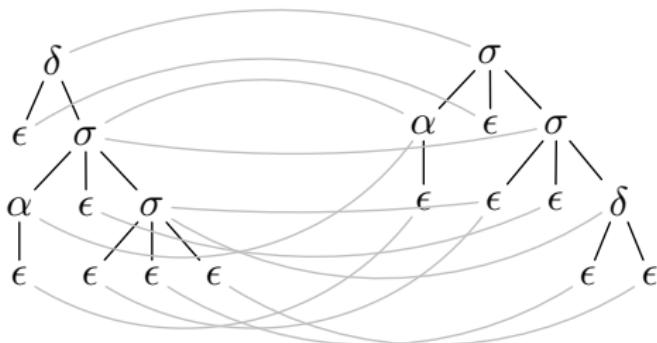


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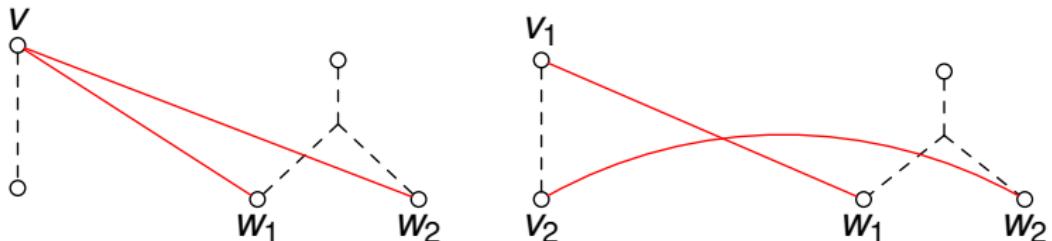
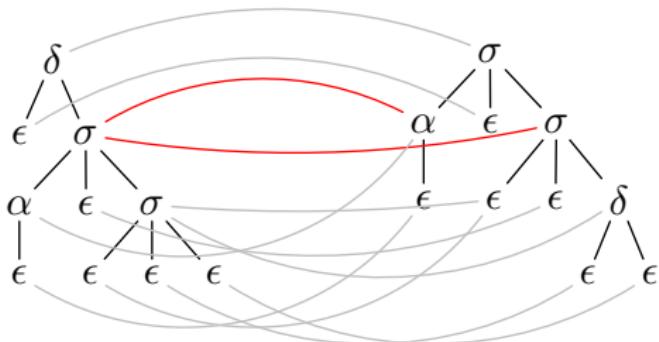


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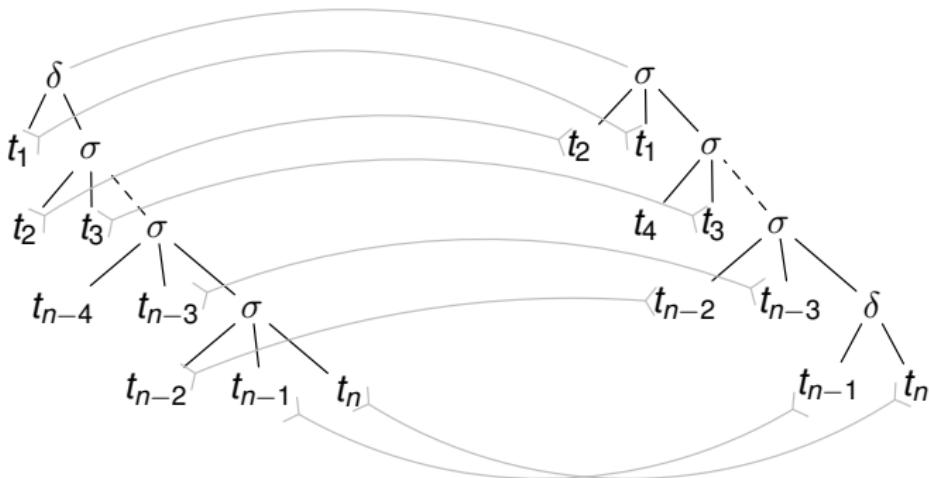
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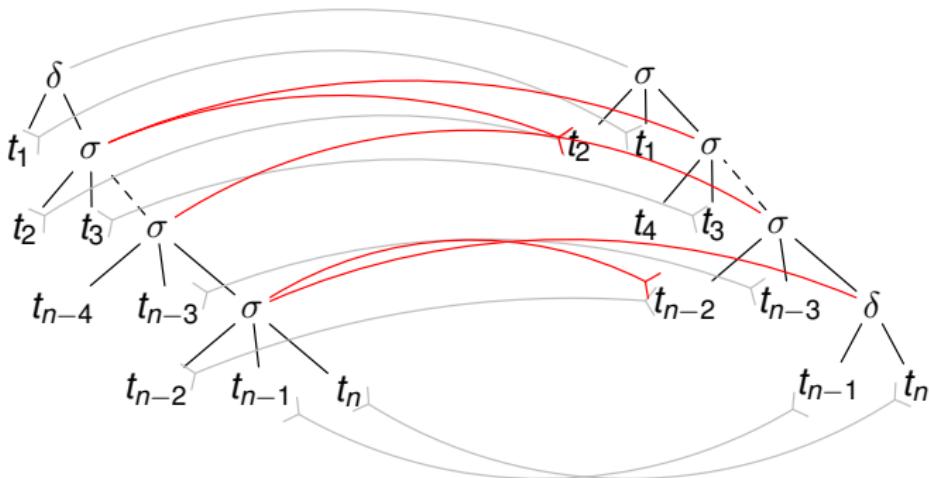
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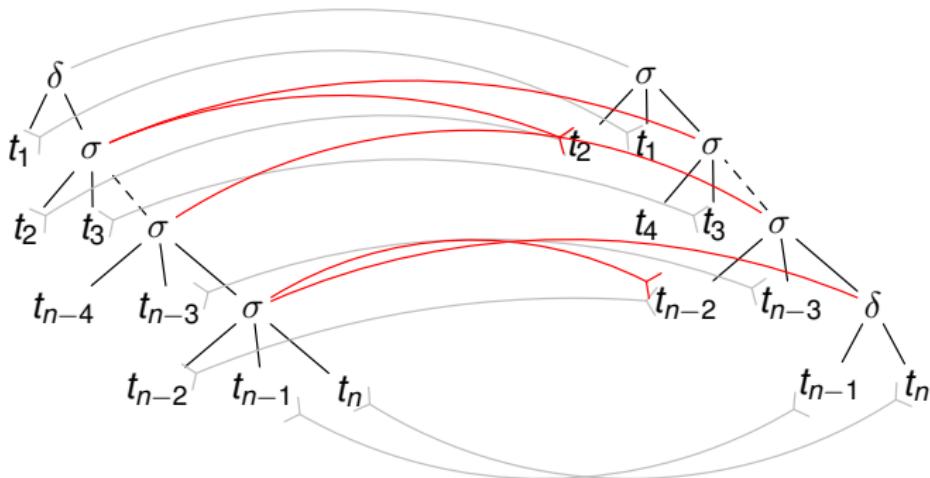
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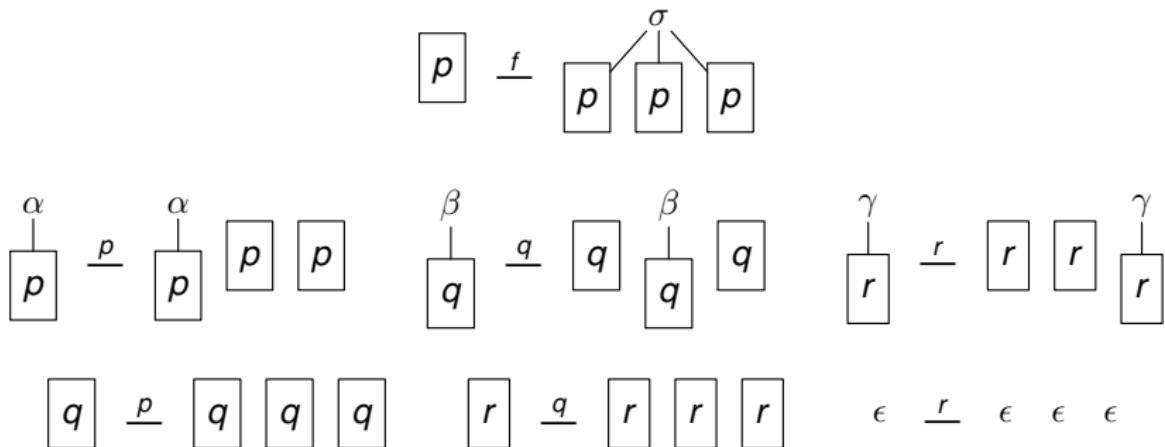
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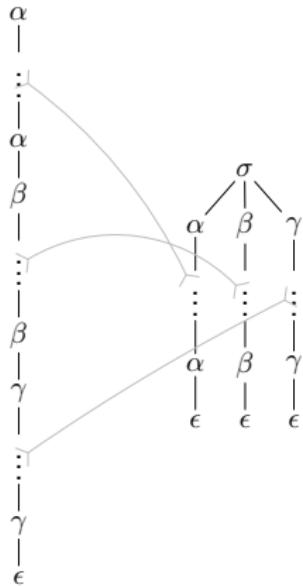
Another MBOT

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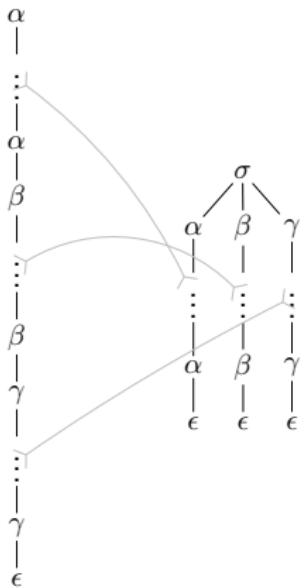


taken from

Example 4.5 of [RADMACHER: *An automata theoretic approach to the theory of rational tree relations*. TR AIB-2008-05, RWTH Aachen, 2008]

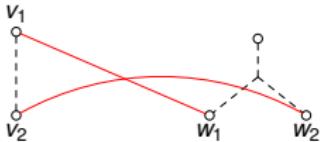
$$\{(\alpha^\ell(\beta^m(\gamma^n(\epsilon))), \sigma(\alpha^\ell(\epsilon), \beta^m(\epsilon), \gamma^n(\epsilon))) \mid \ell, m, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

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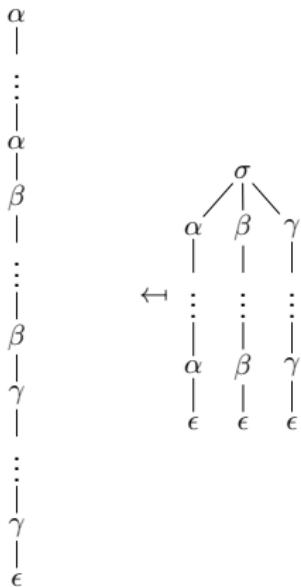


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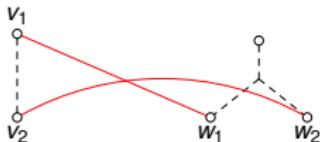


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Yet Another Linking Structure

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rule $\vec{I} \xrightarrow{q} \vec{r} \in R$, positions $v_1, \dots, v_m, w_1, \dots, w_n \in \mathbb{N}^*$
with $\text{rk}(q) = (m, n)$

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where $\vec{v} = v_1 \cdots v_m$ and $\vec{w} = w_1 \cdots w_n$

Derivation

Definition

$$\langle \xi, D, \zeta \rangle \Rightarrow \langle \xi[\vec{I}]_{\vec{v}}, D \cup \text{links}_{\vec{v}, \vec{w}}(\vec{I} \xrightarrow{q} \vec{r}), \zeta[\vec{r}]_{\vec{w}} \rangle$$

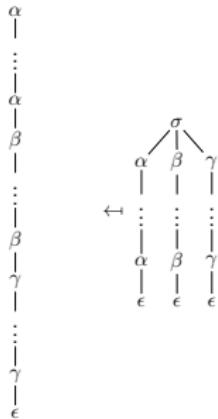
if

- rule $\vec{I} \xrightarrow{q} \vec{r} \in R$
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- $v_1 \sqsubset \cdots \sqsubset v_m$, $w_1 \sqsubset \cdots \sqsubset w_n$, and $\text{rk}(q) = (m, n)$
- linked positions

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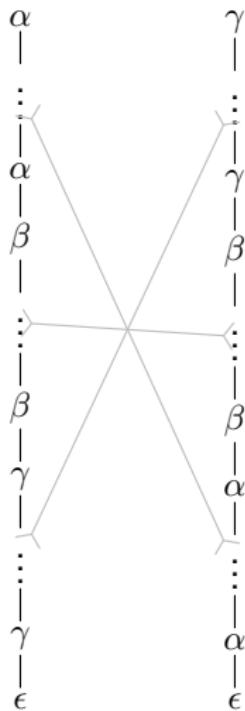
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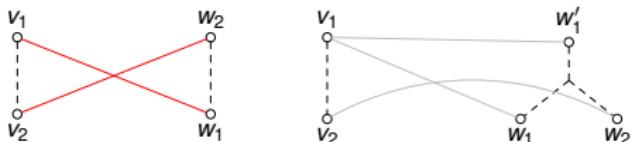
- *(input and output) hierarchical*
- *bounded distance*

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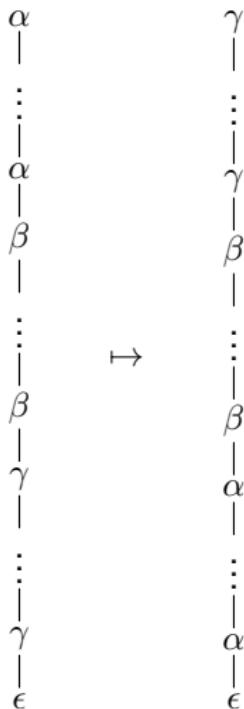


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That's all, folks!

Thank you for your attention!

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