

# Parameterized Algorithms

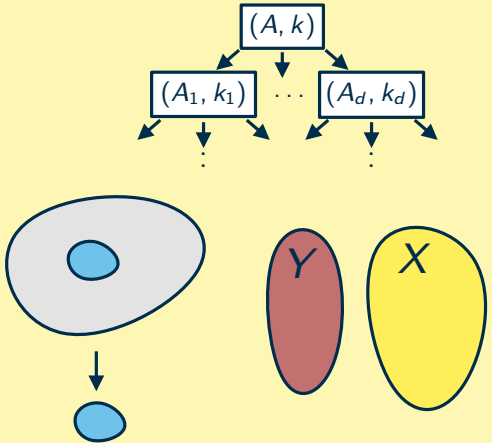
## Kernelization: Similar Trees

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# Content

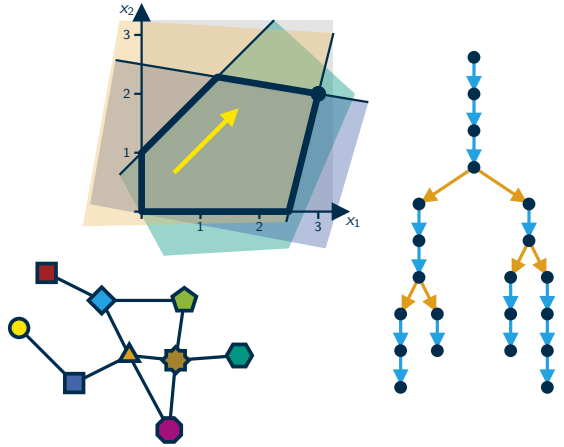
## Basic toolbox

- bounded search trees
- kernelization
- iterative compression



## Extended toolbox

- linear programs
- branch-and-reduce
- color coding



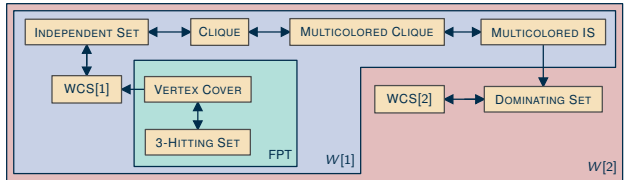
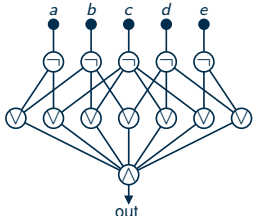
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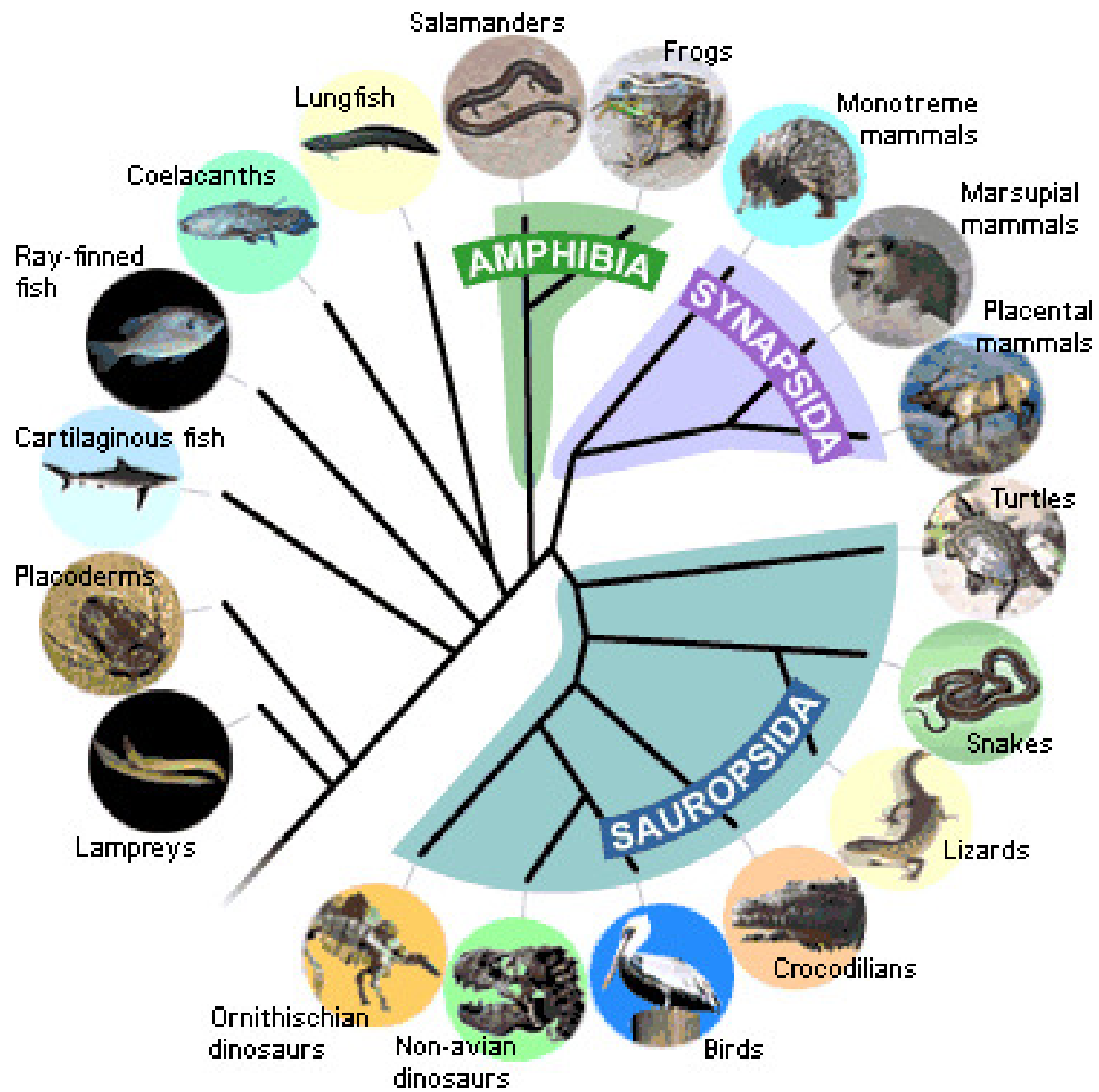
- dynamic programming
- chordal and planar graphs
- Courcelle's theorem



## Lower bounds

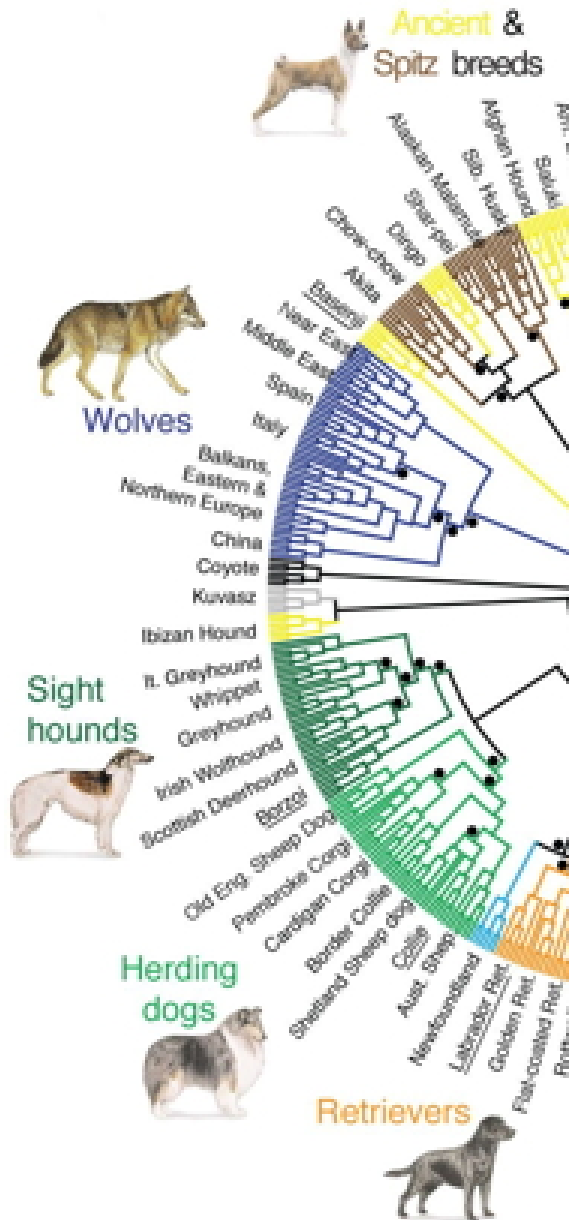
- kernel lower bounds
- parameterized reductions
- circuits and the W-hierarchy
- ETH and SETH



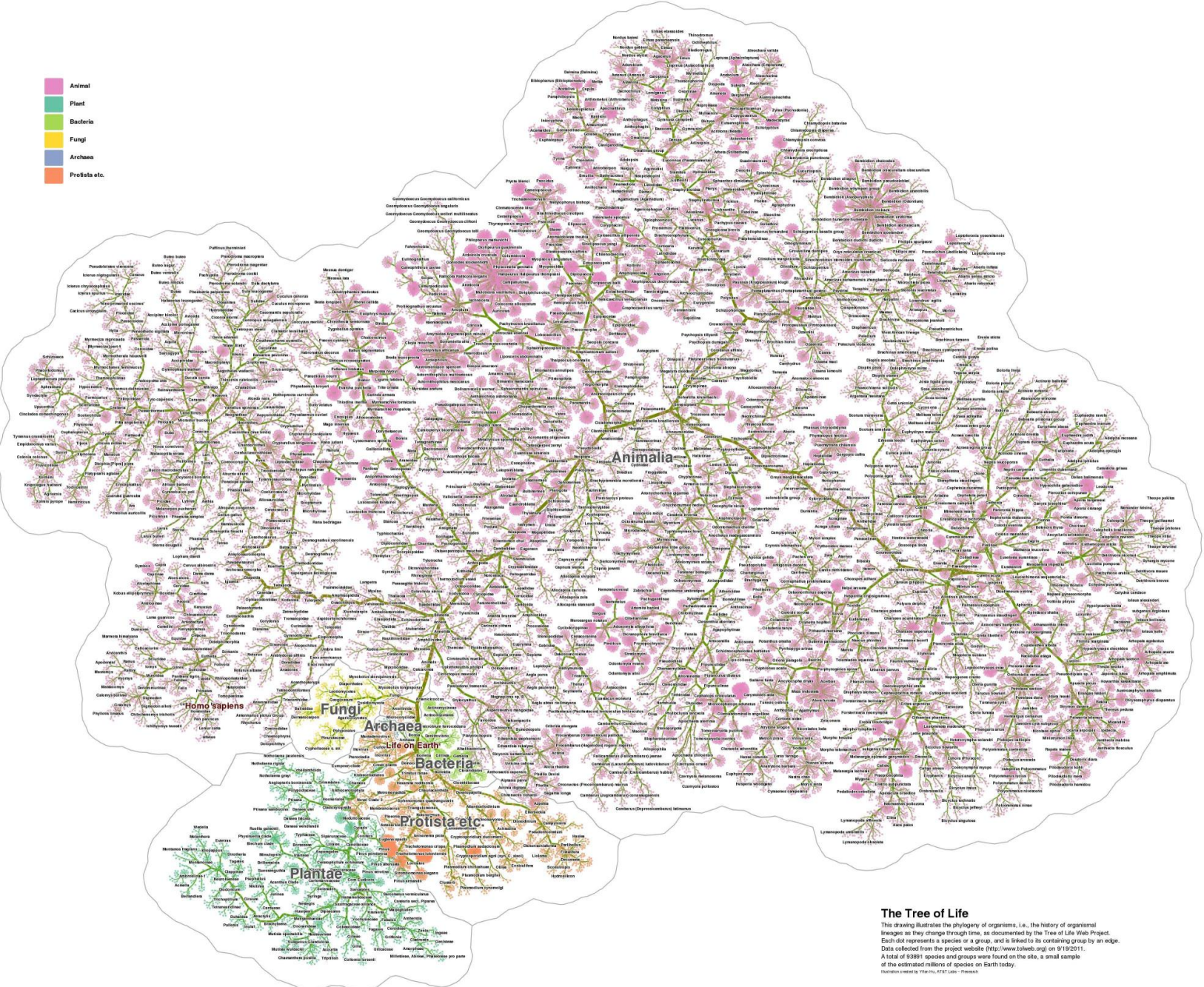








- Animal
- Plant
- Bacteria
- Fungi
- Archaea
- Protista etc.



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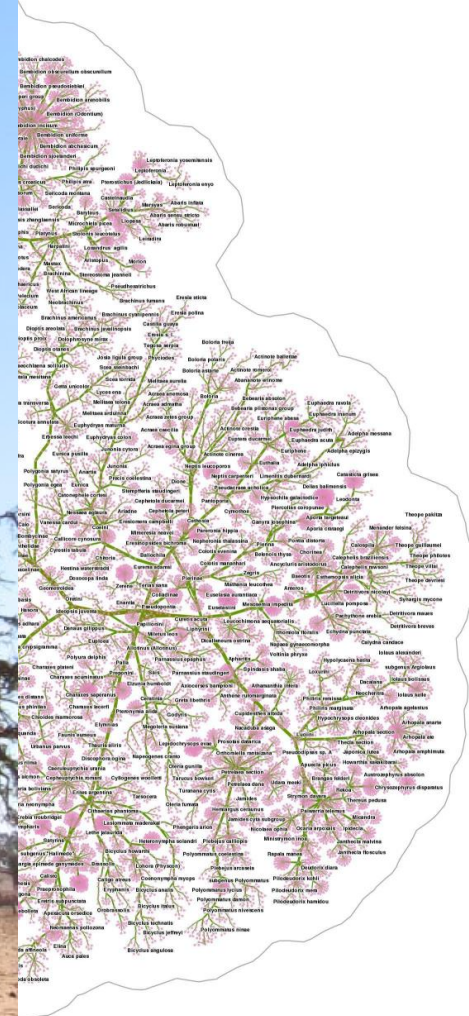
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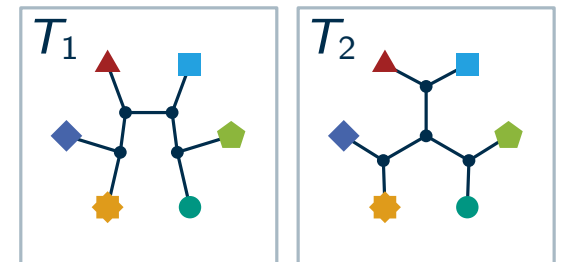
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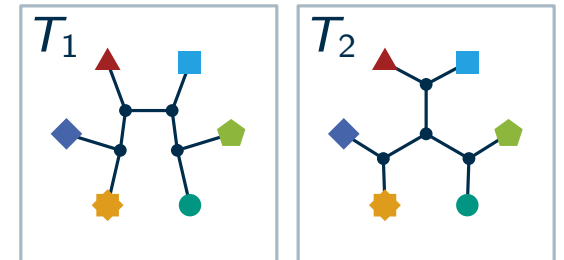
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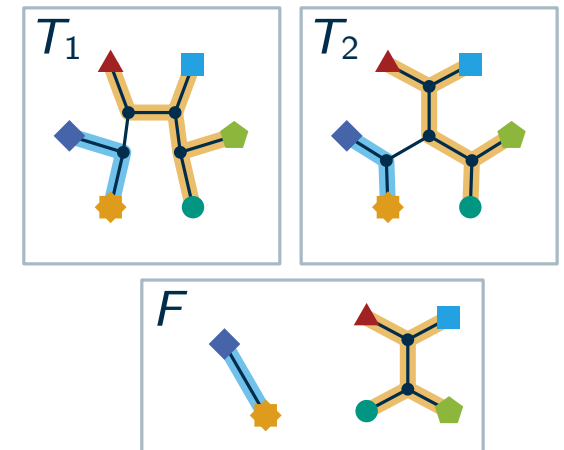
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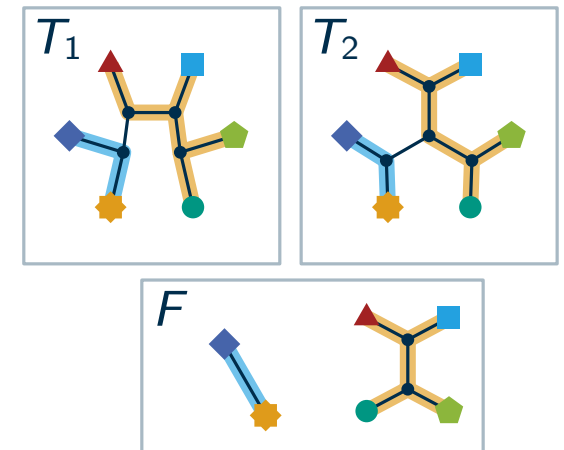
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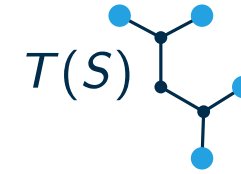
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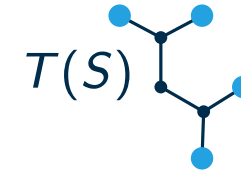
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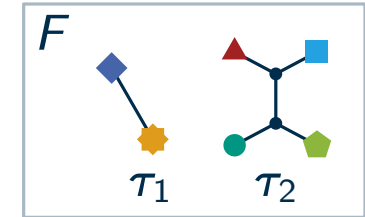
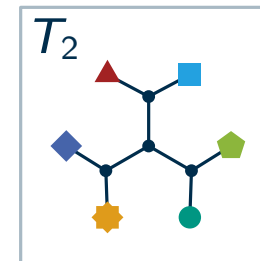
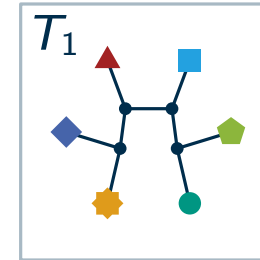
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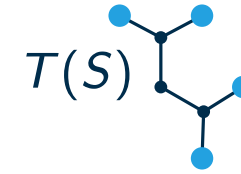
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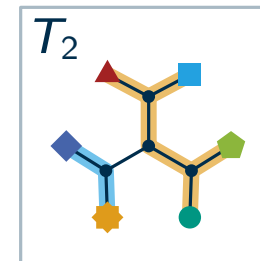
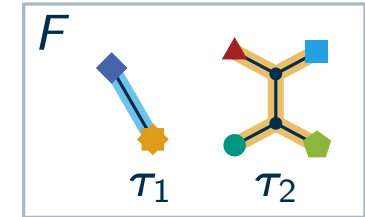
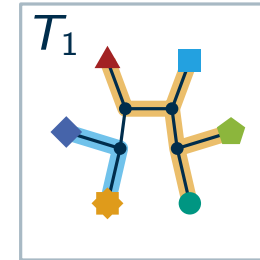
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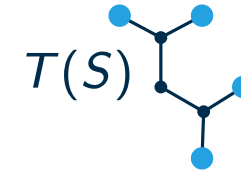
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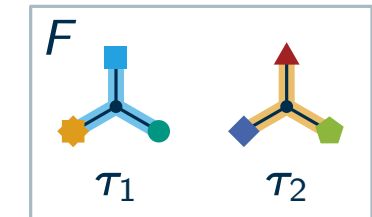
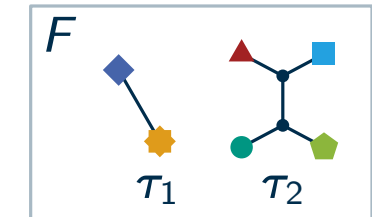
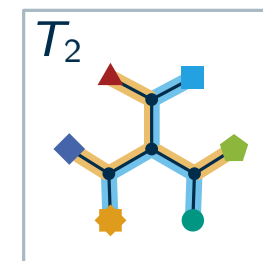
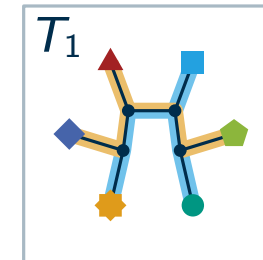
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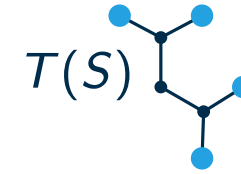
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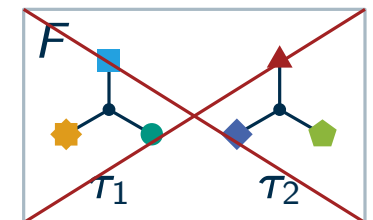
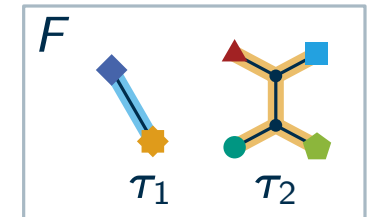
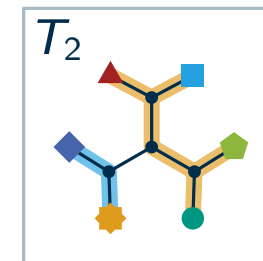
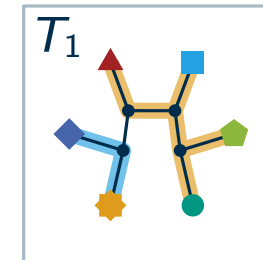
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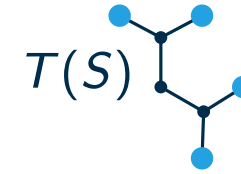


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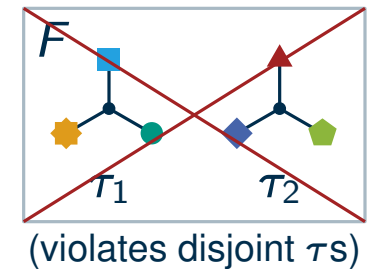
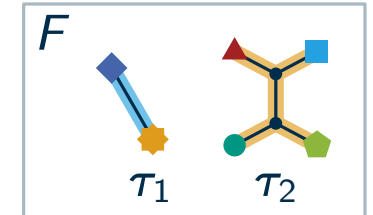
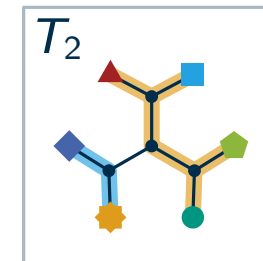
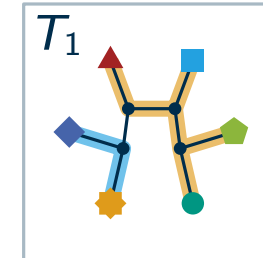
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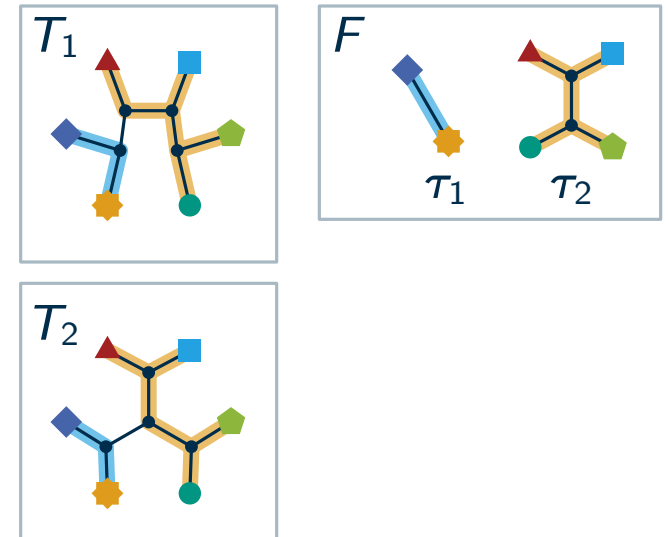
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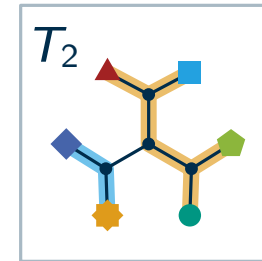
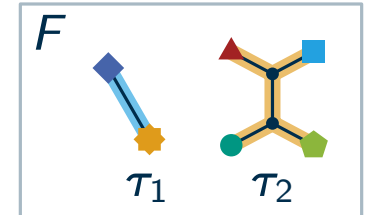
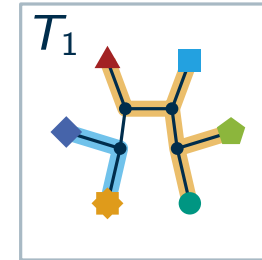
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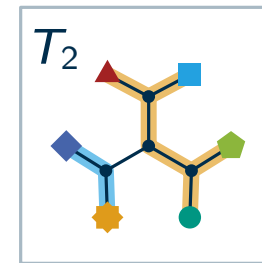
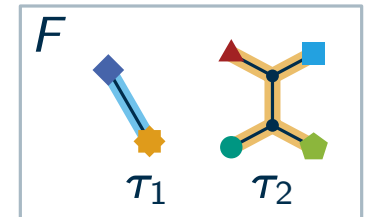
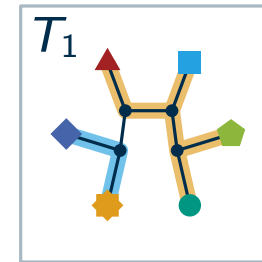
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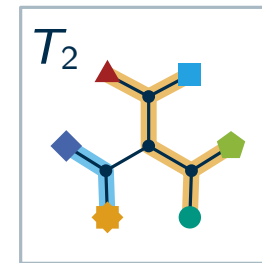
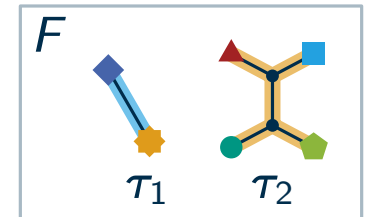
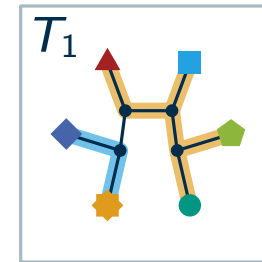
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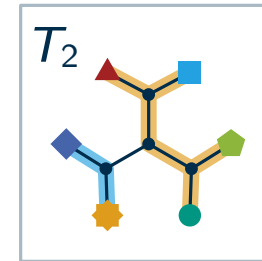
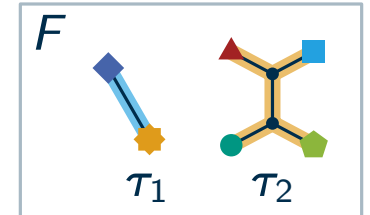
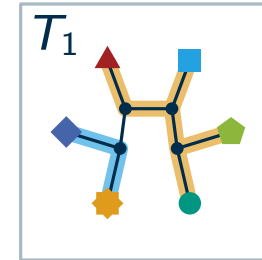
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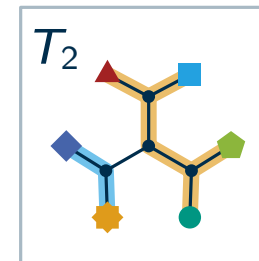
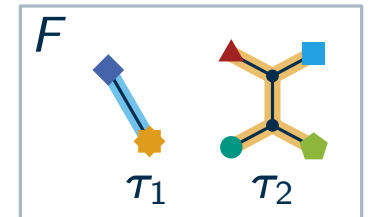
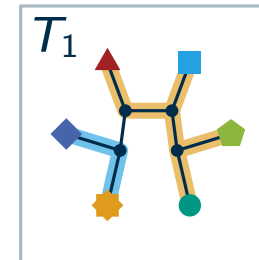
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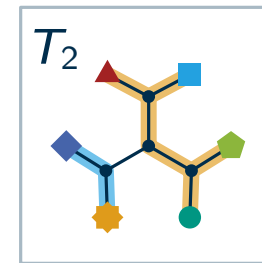
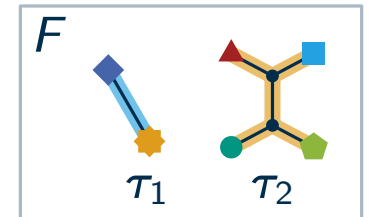
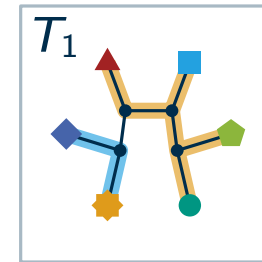
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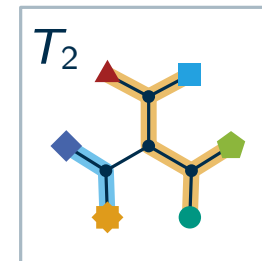
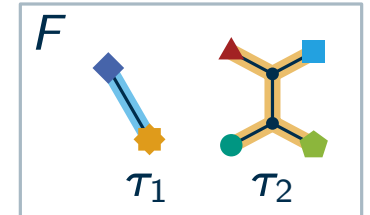
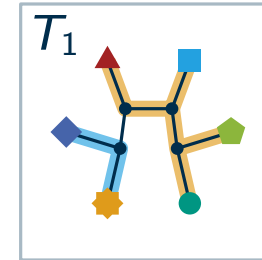
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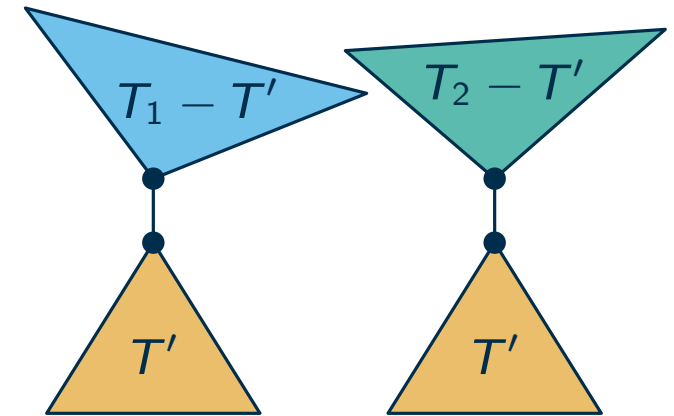
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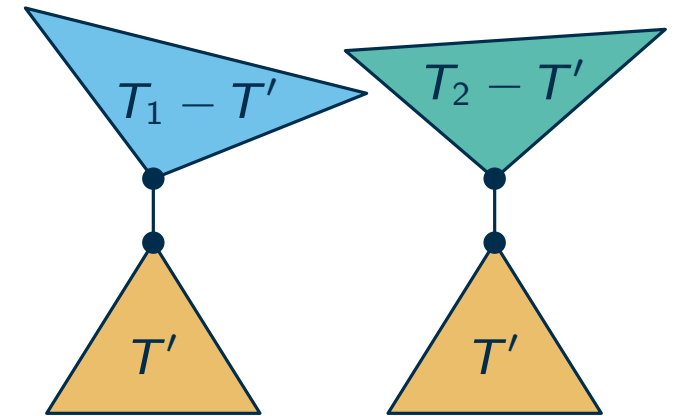
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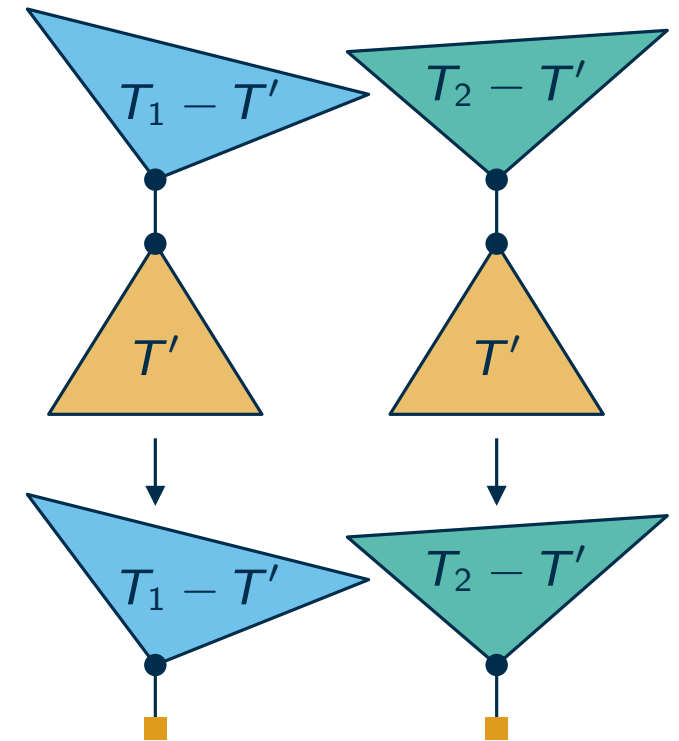
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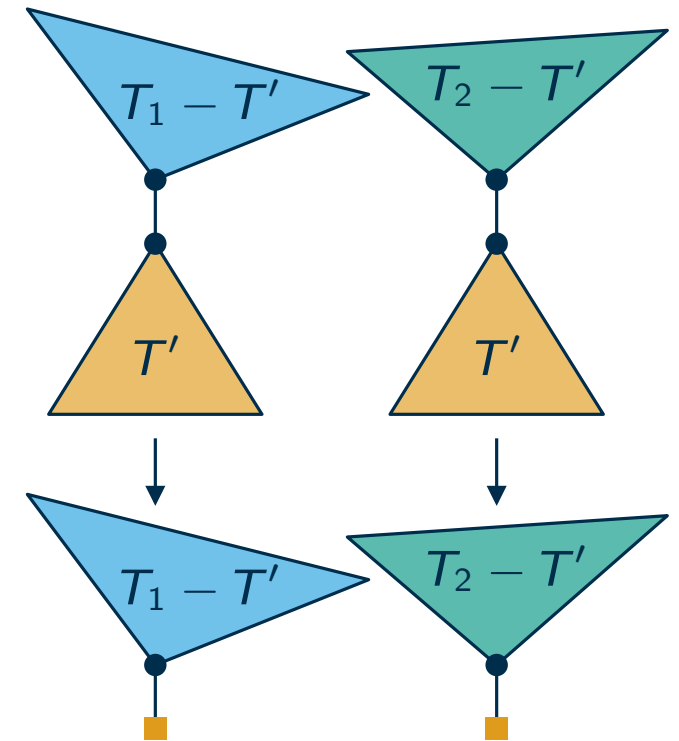
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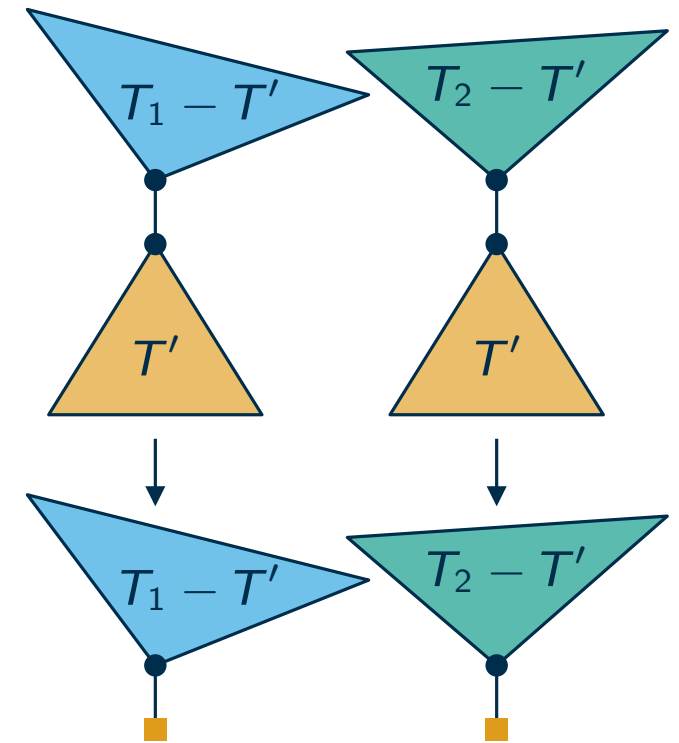
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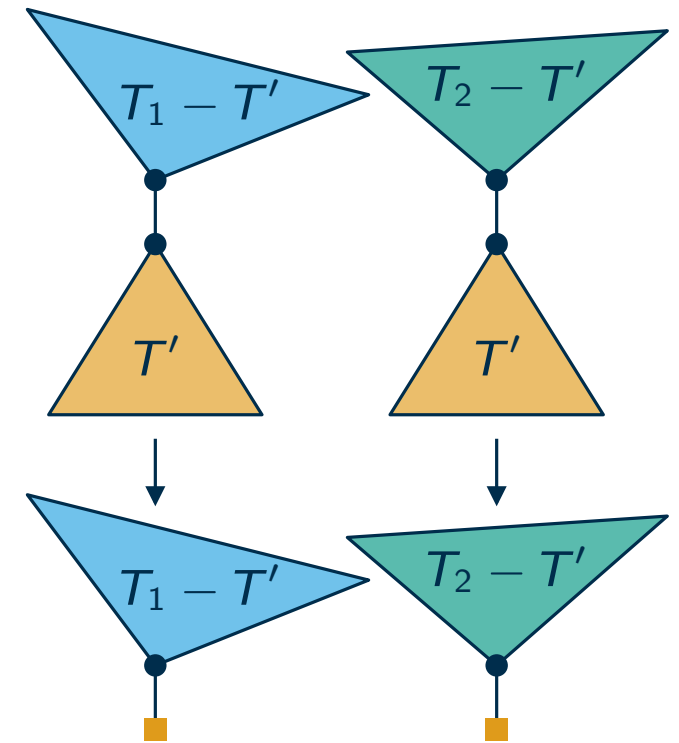
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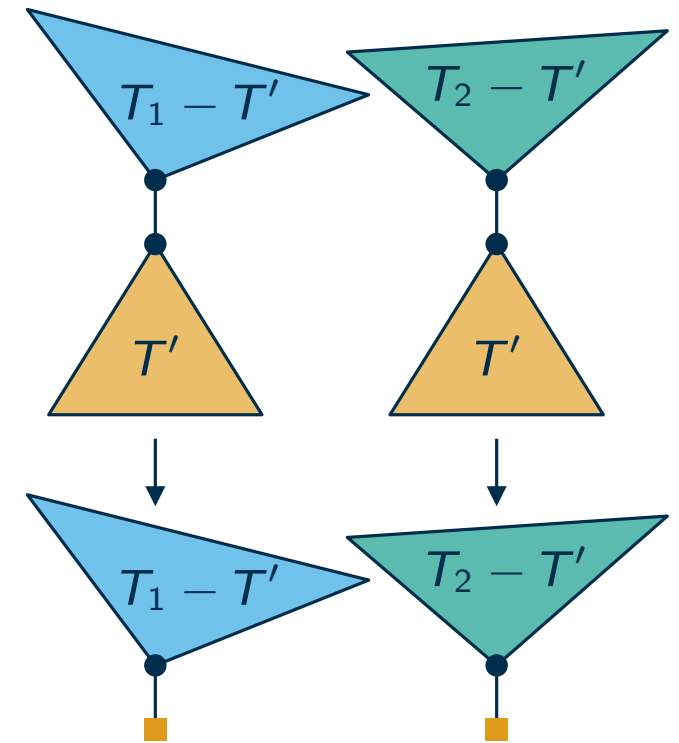
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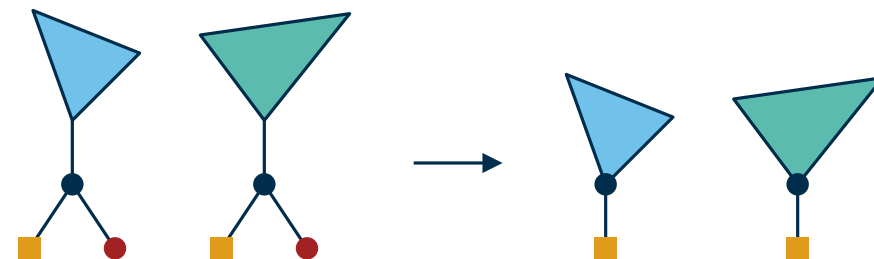
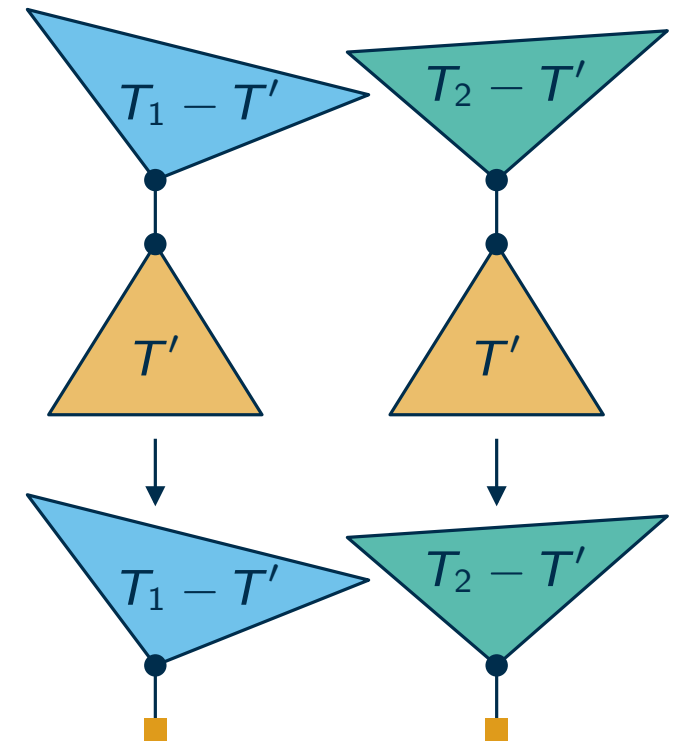
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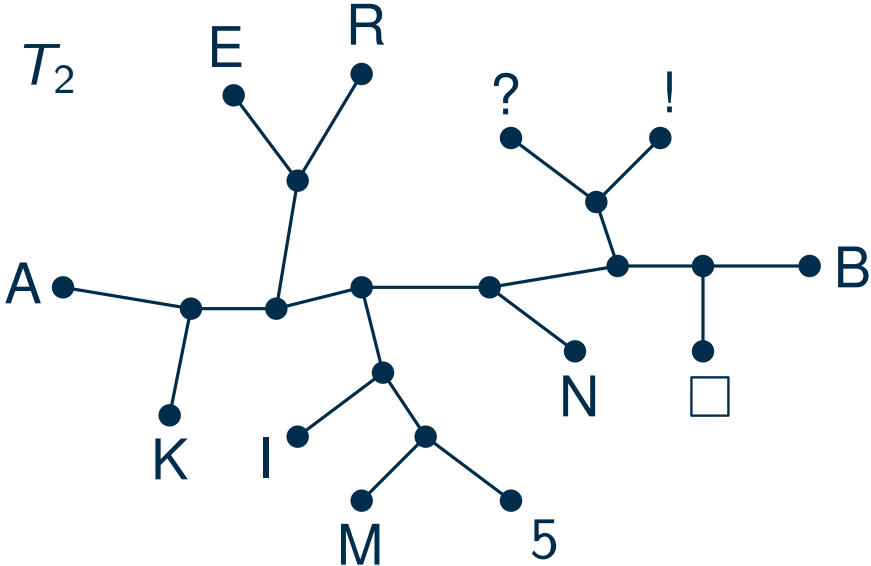
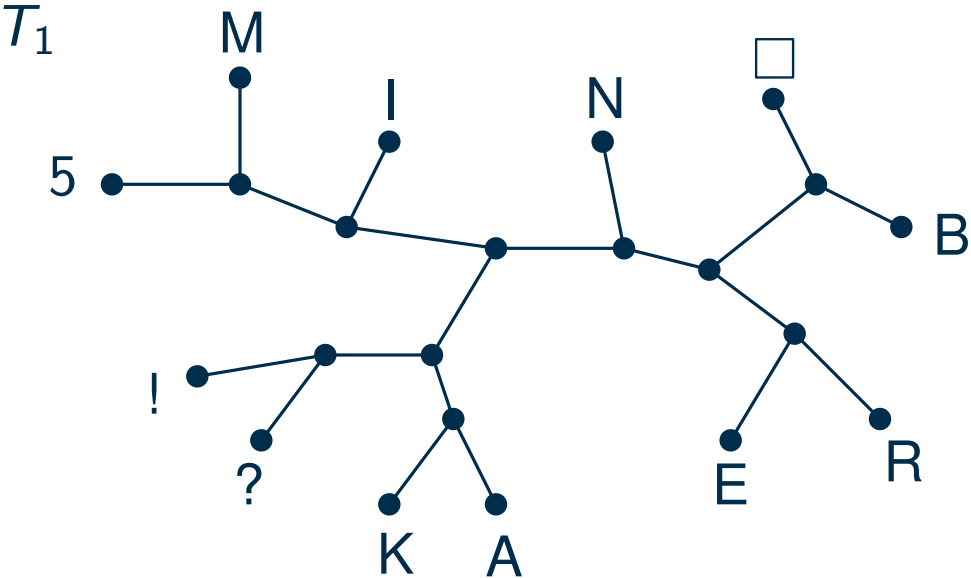
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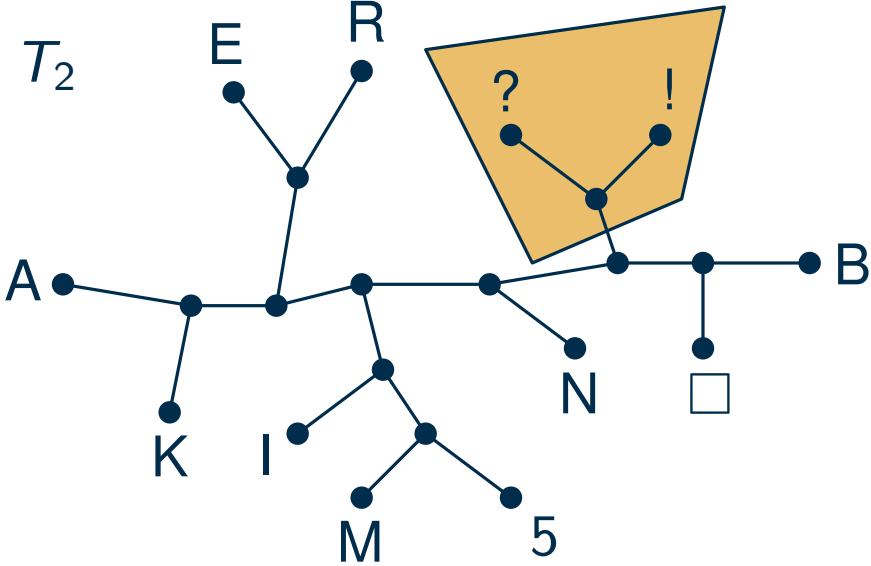
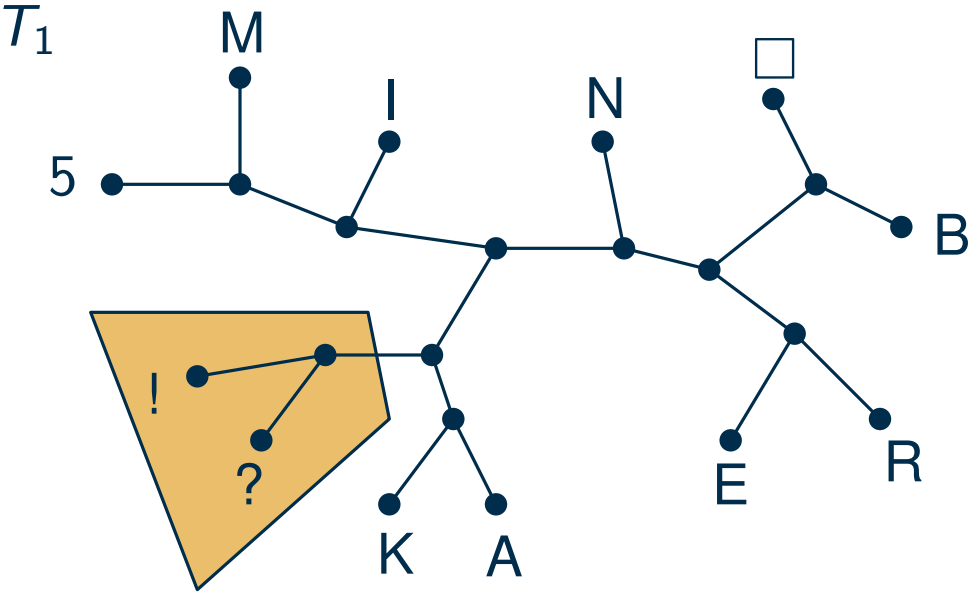
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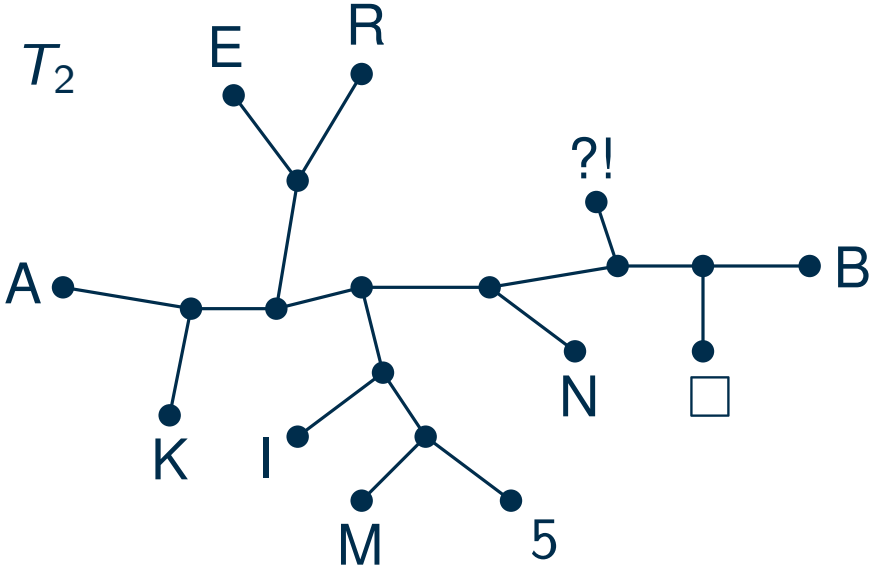
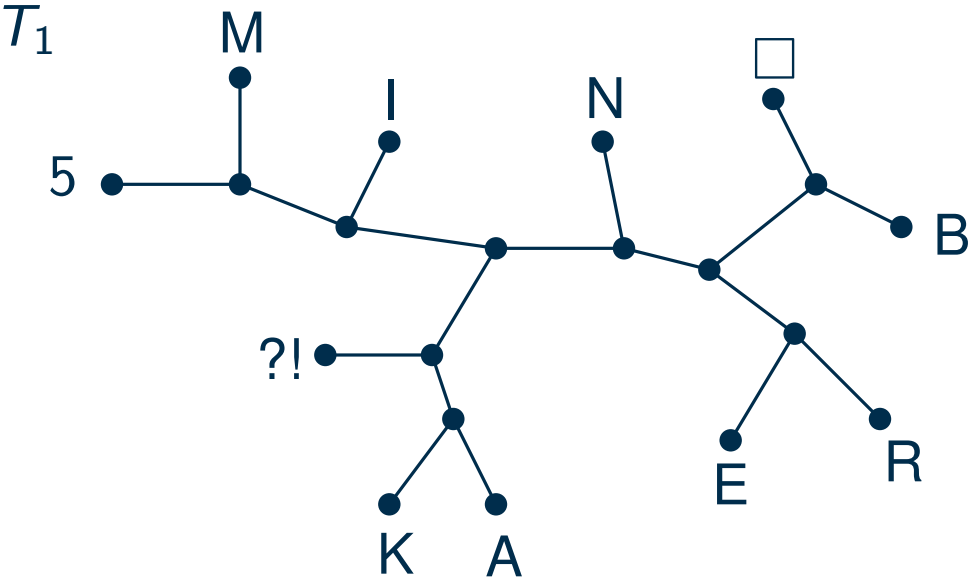
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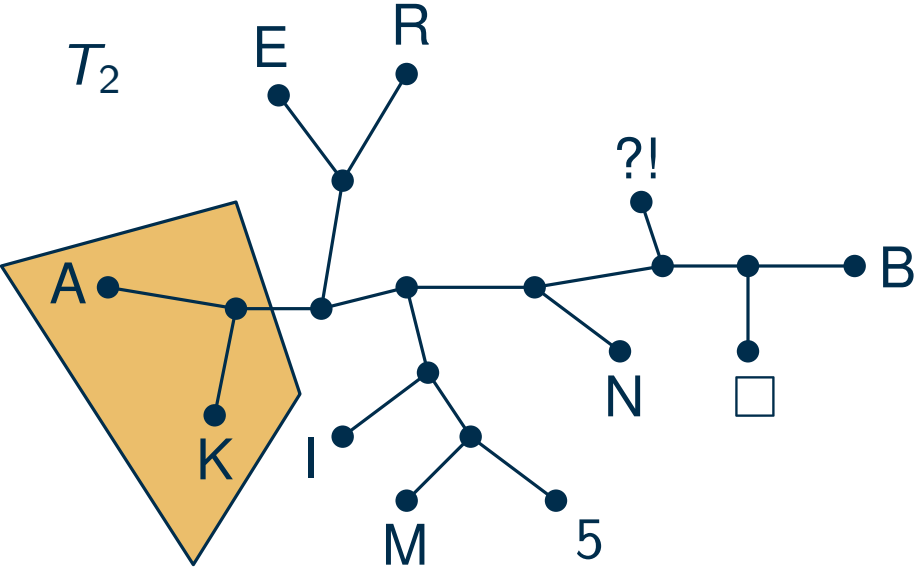
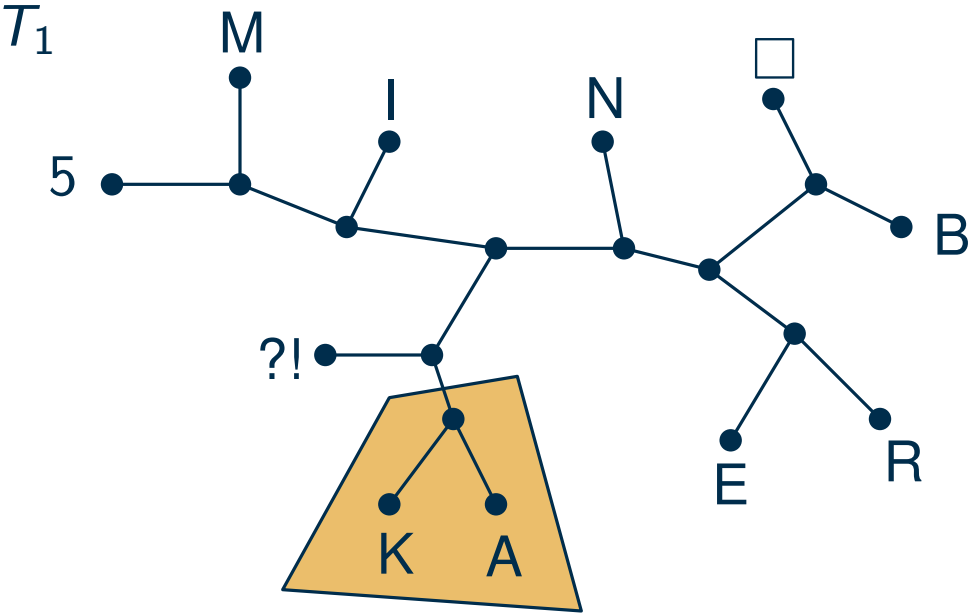
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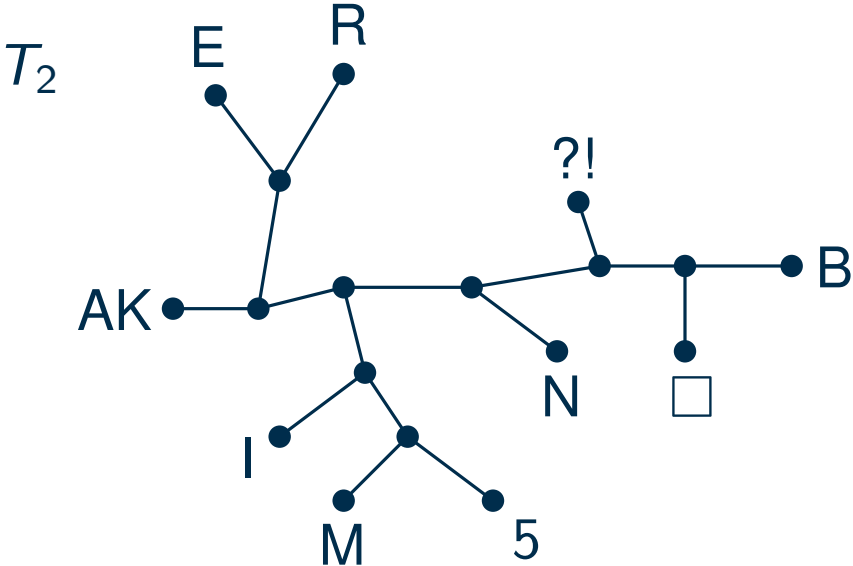
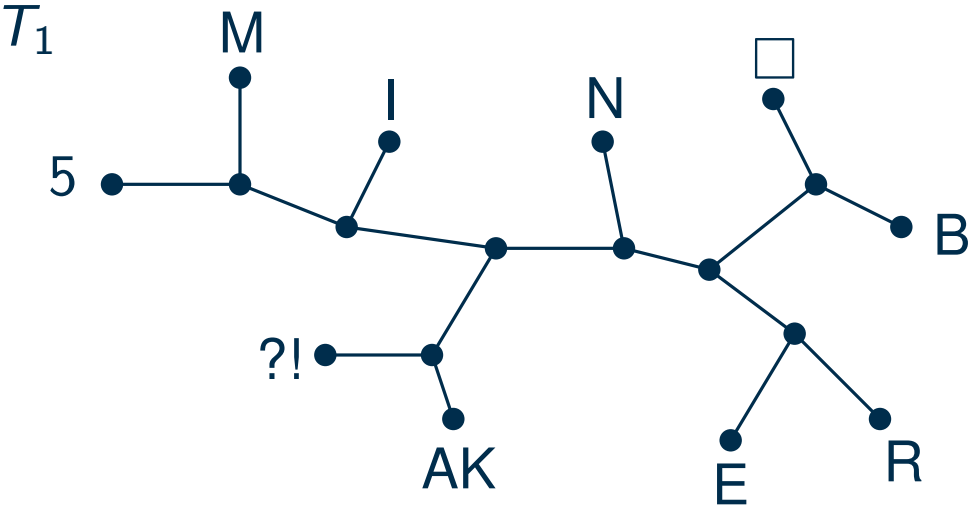
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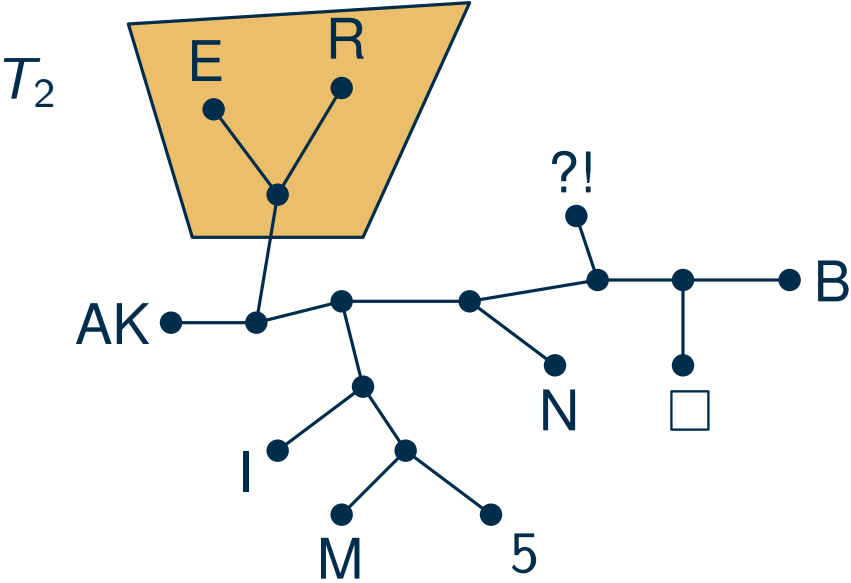
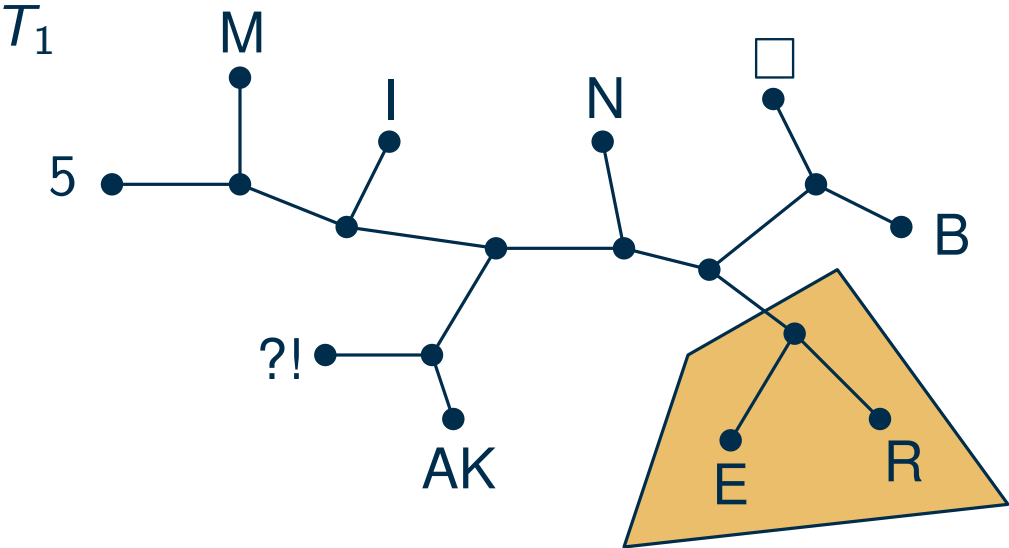
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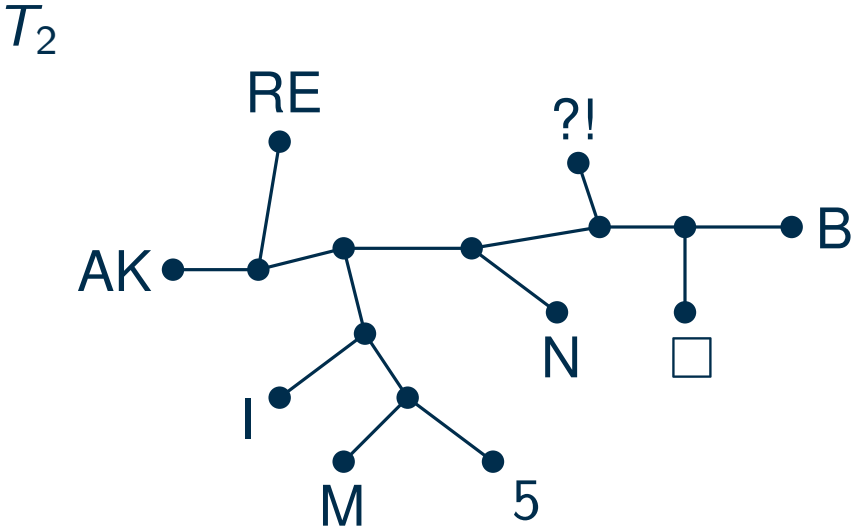
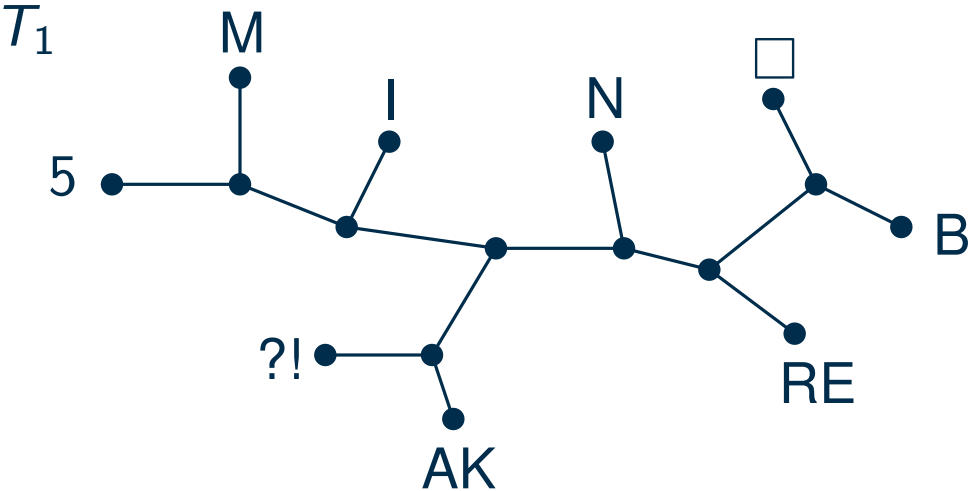
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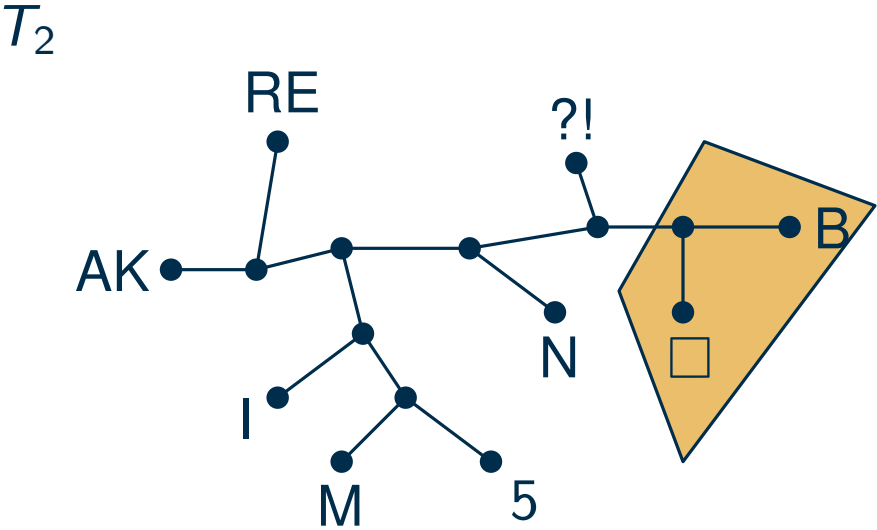
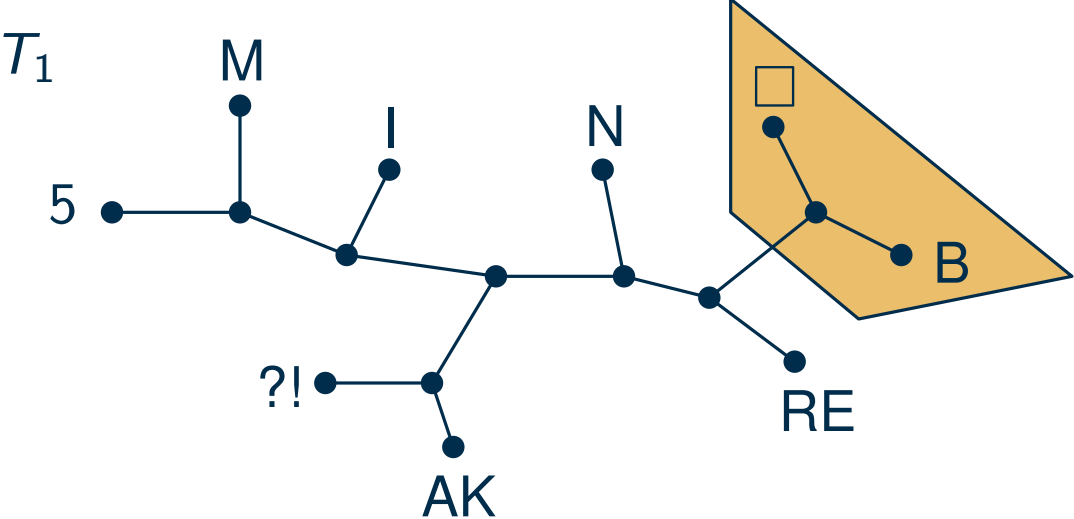
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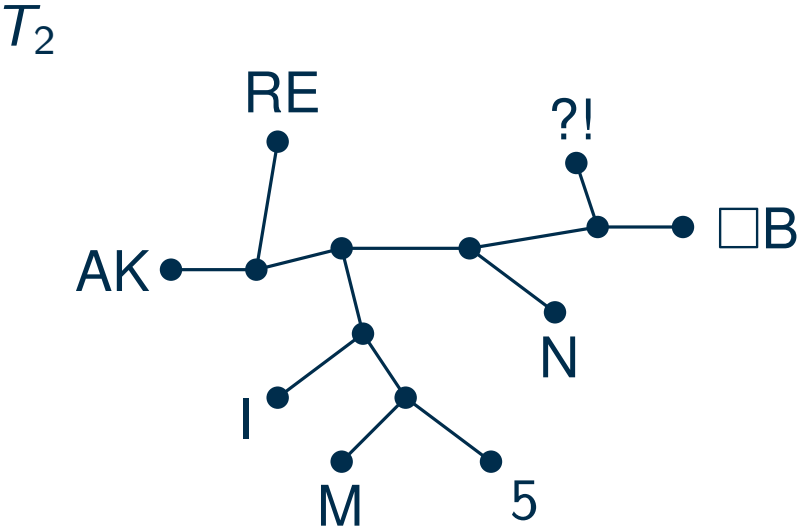
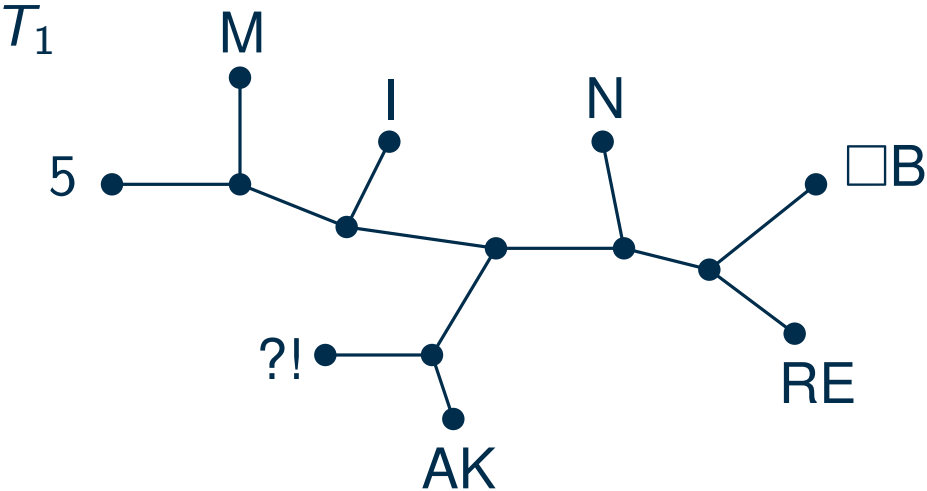
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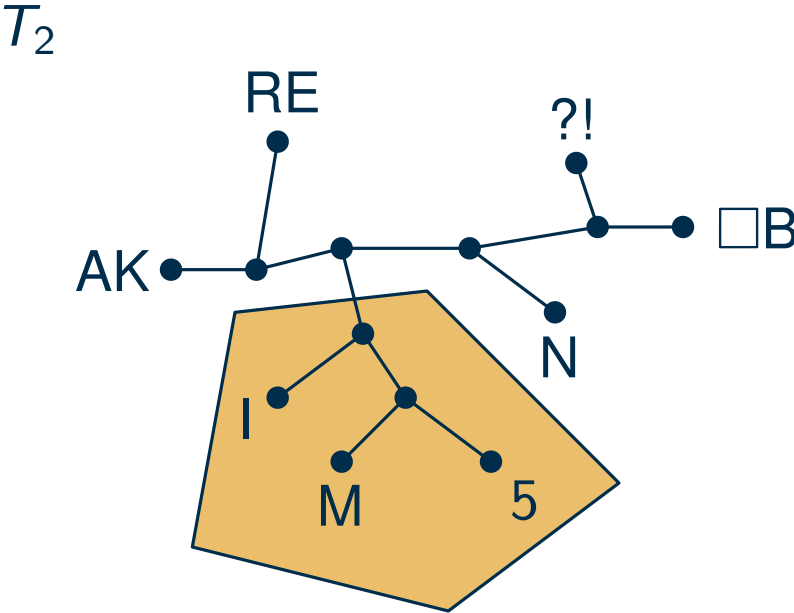
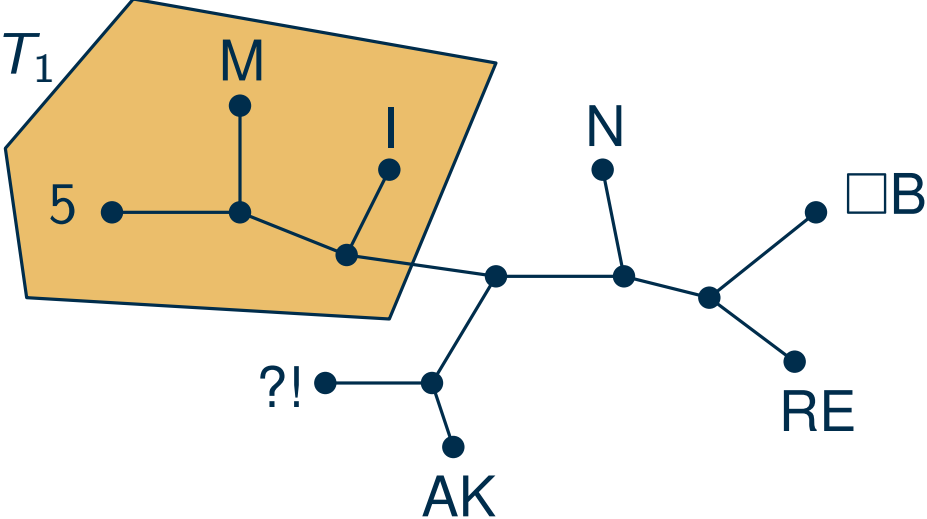
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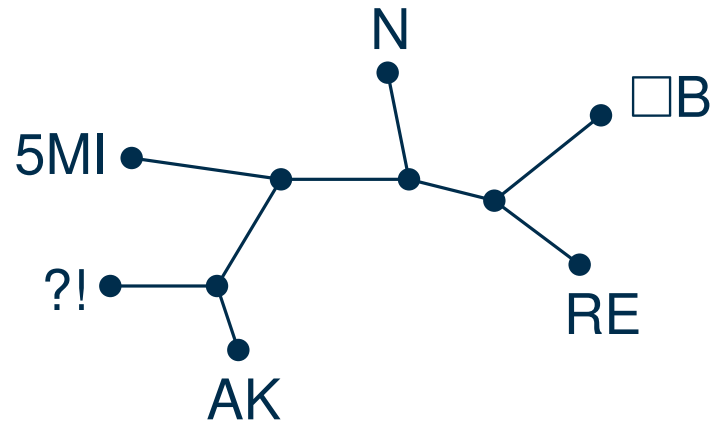
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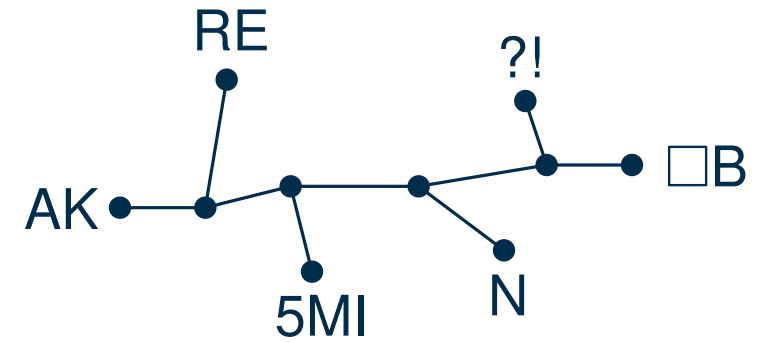
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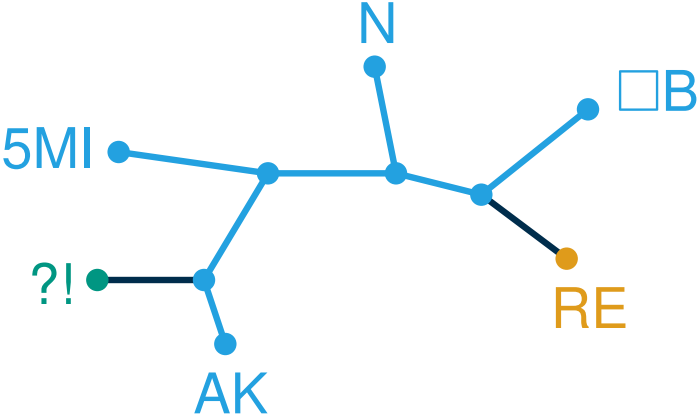
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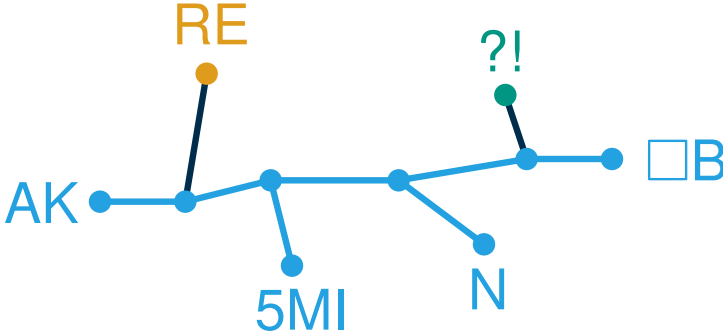
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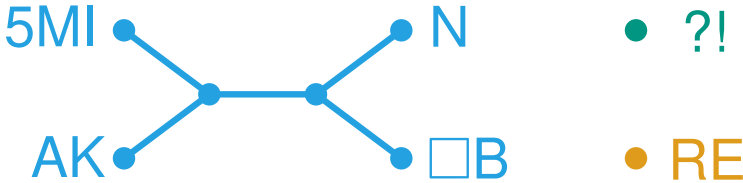
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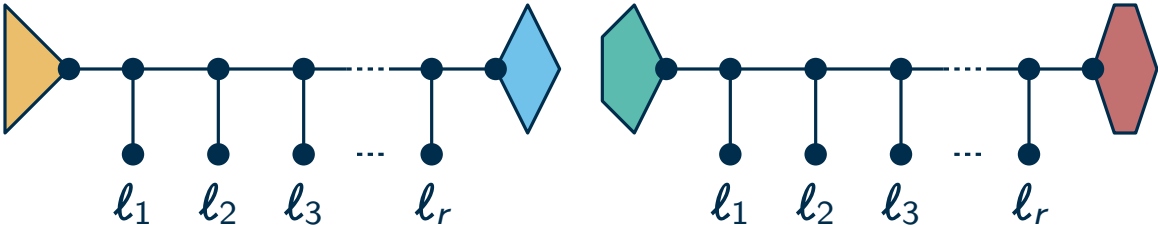
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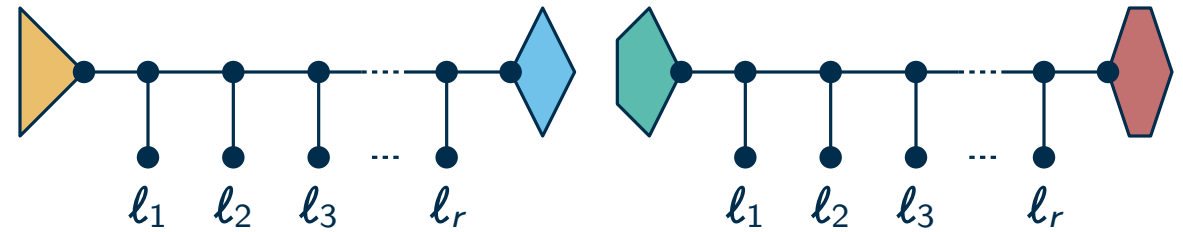
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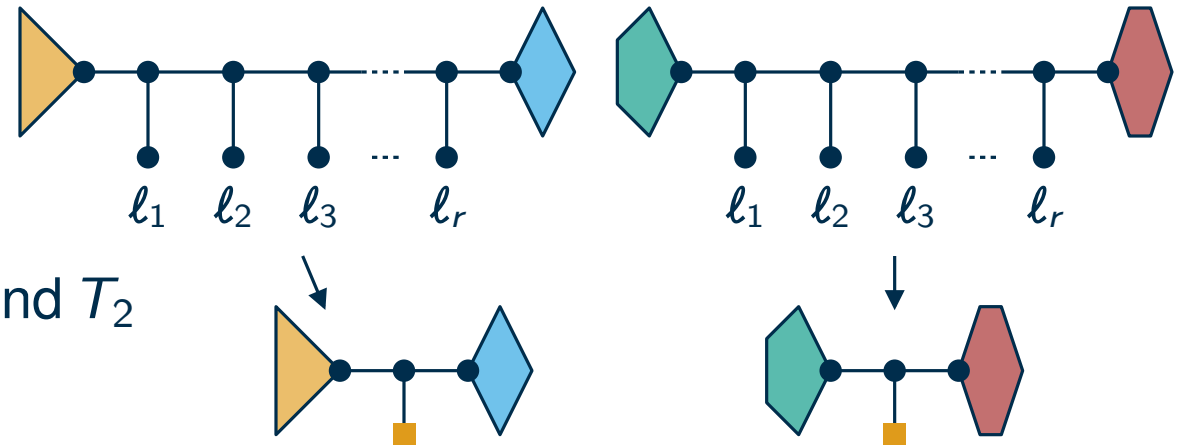
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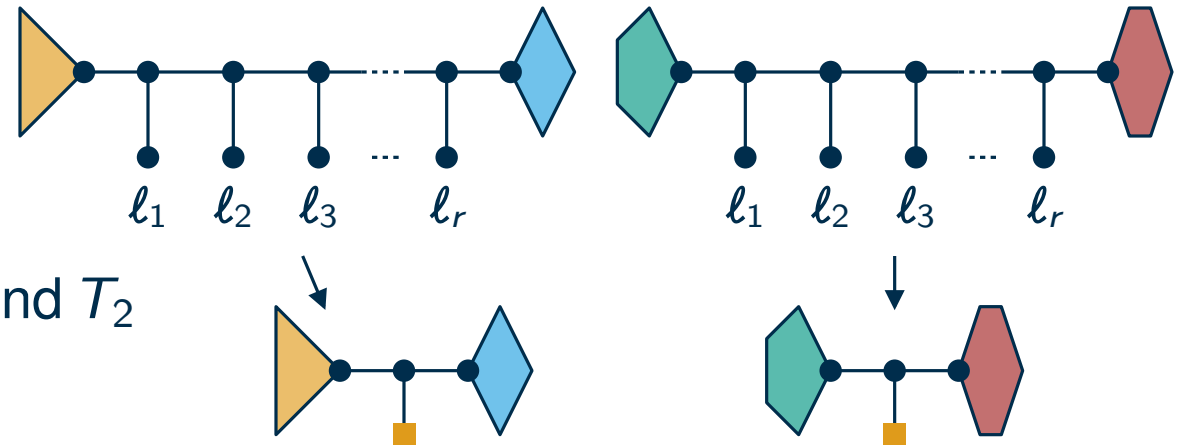
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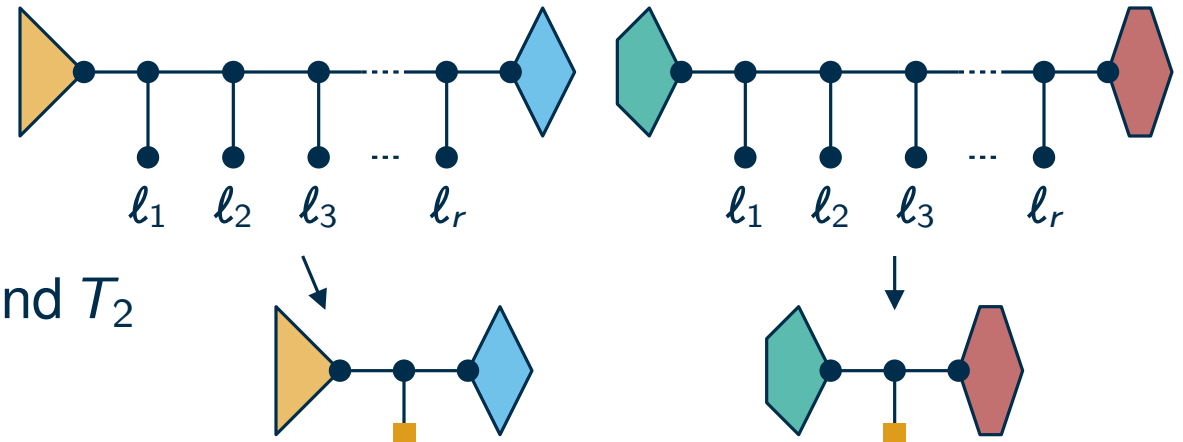
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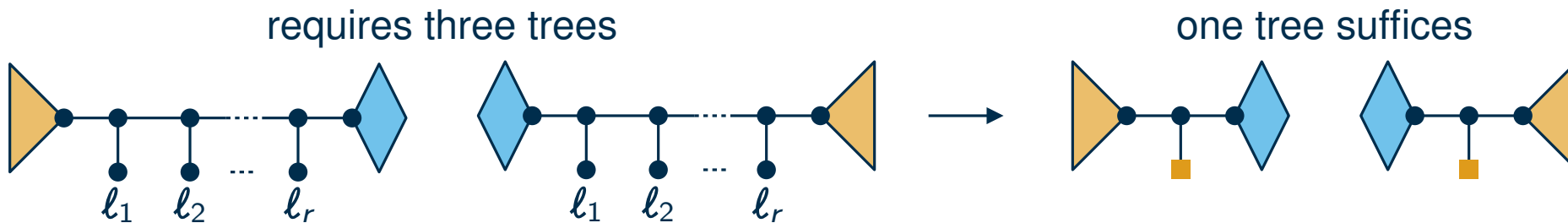
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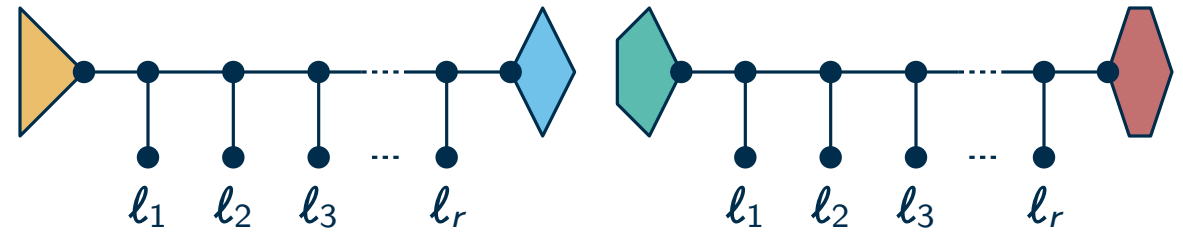
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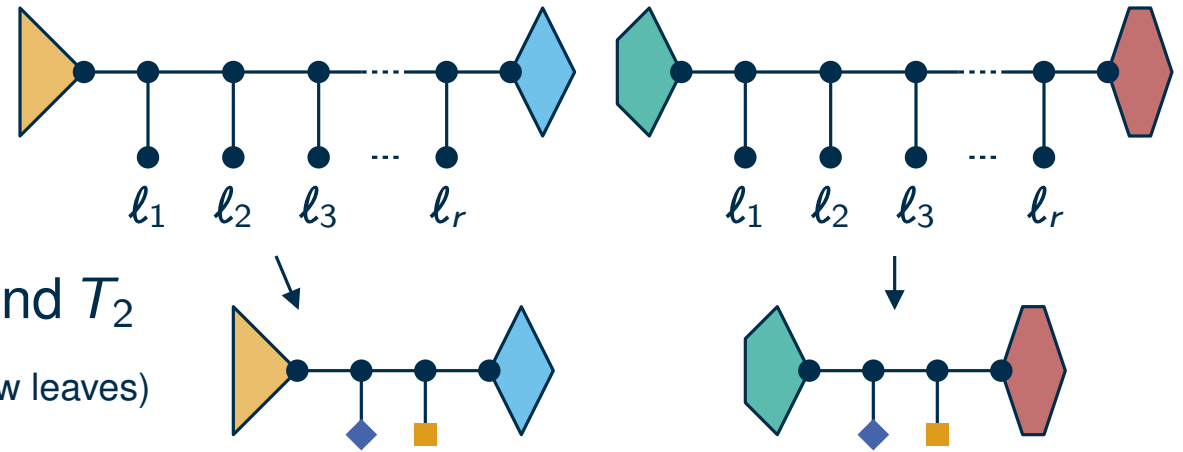
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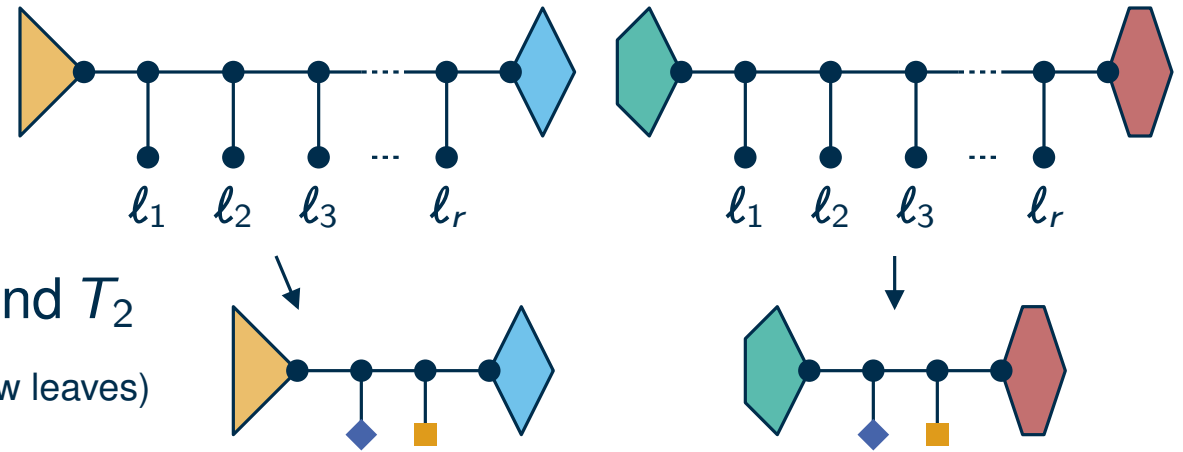
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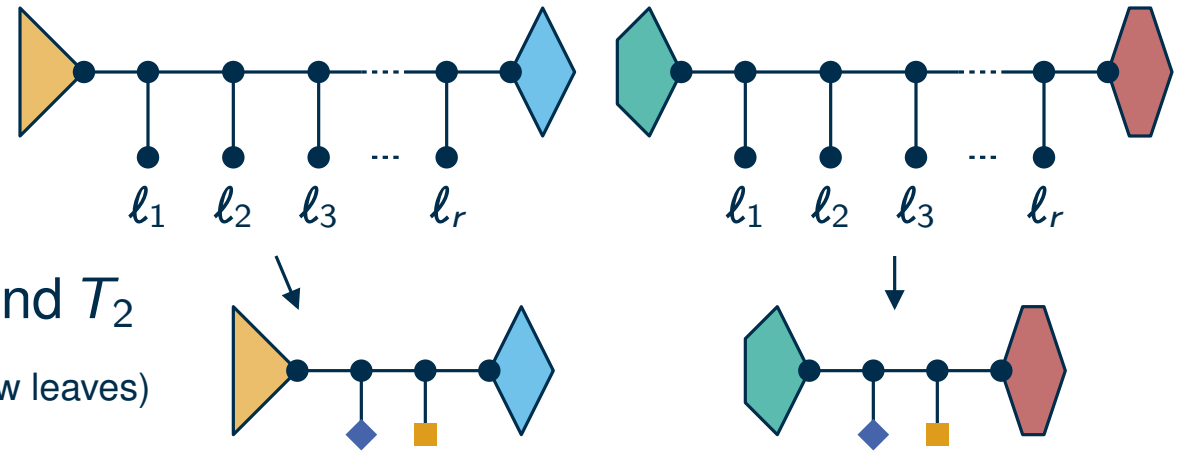
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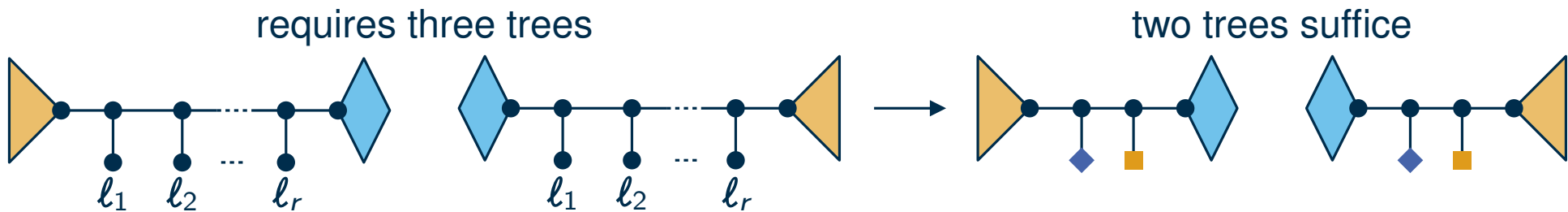
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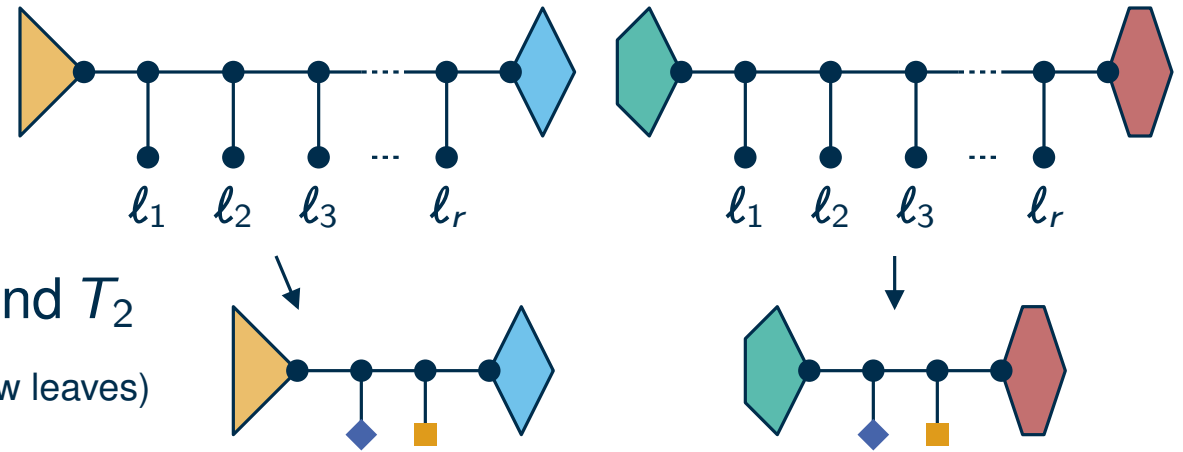
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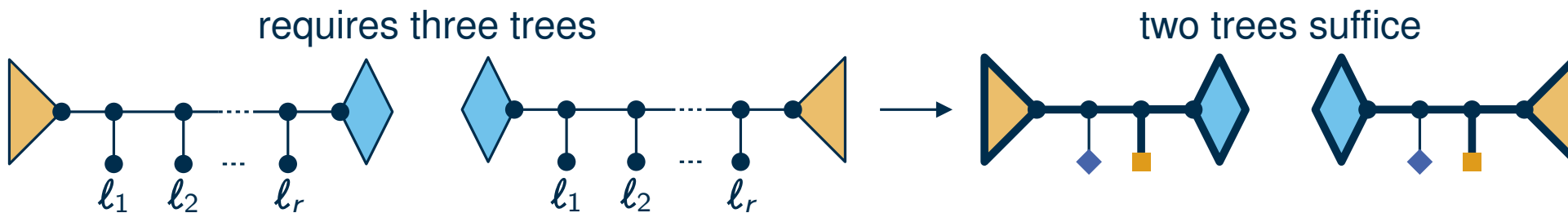
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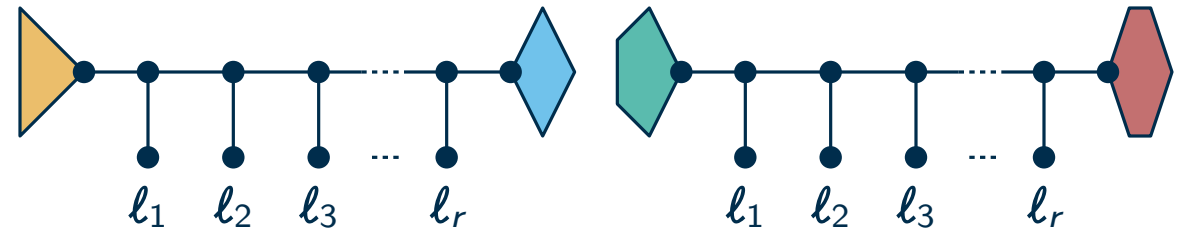
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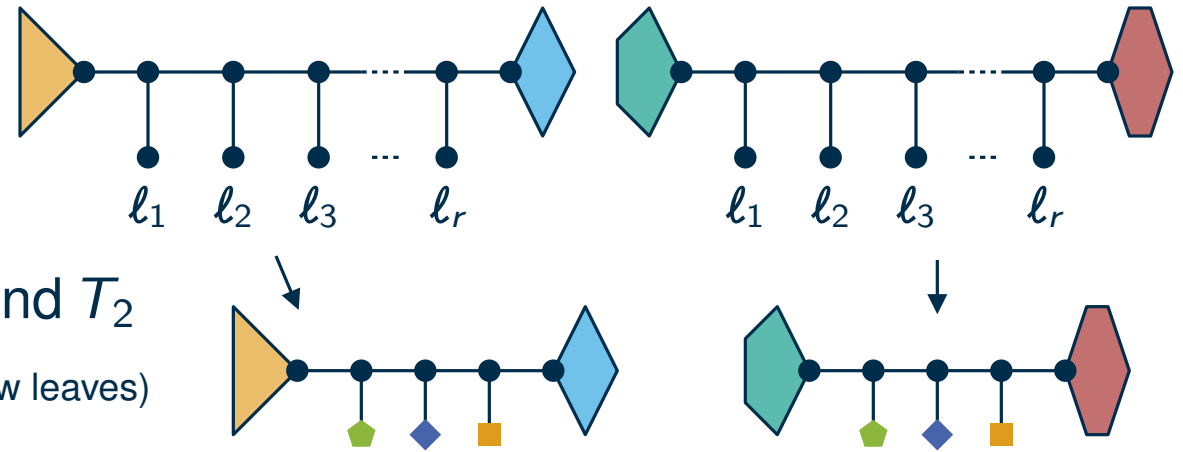
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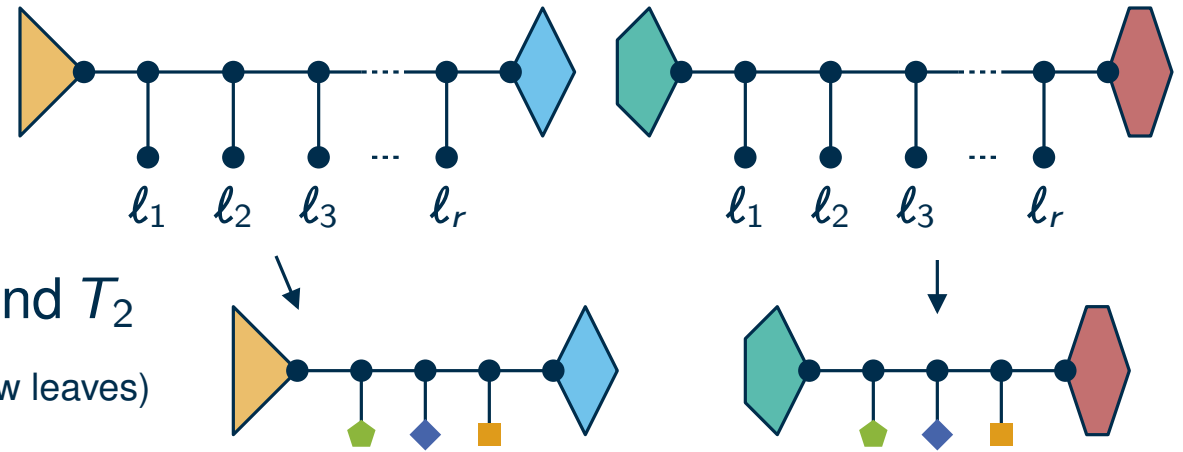
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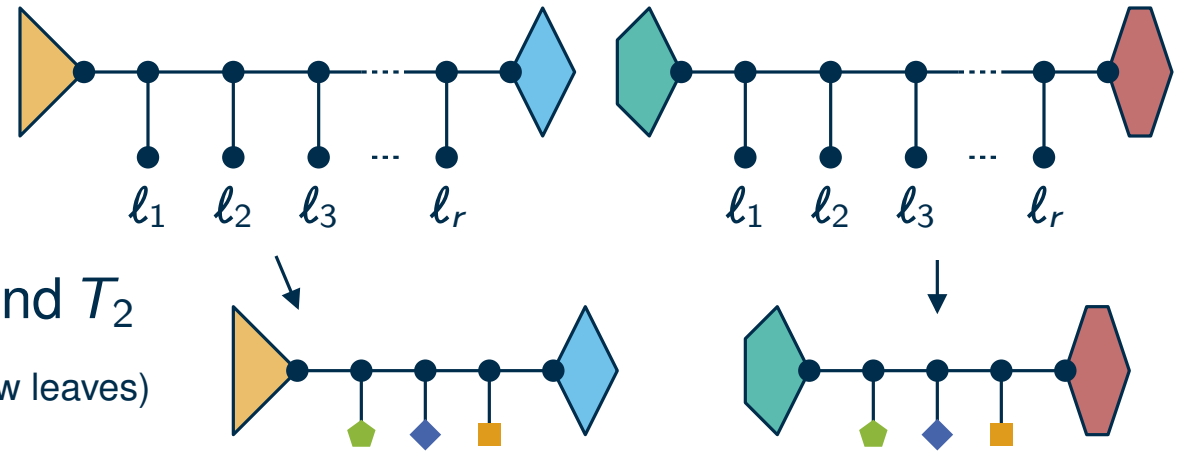
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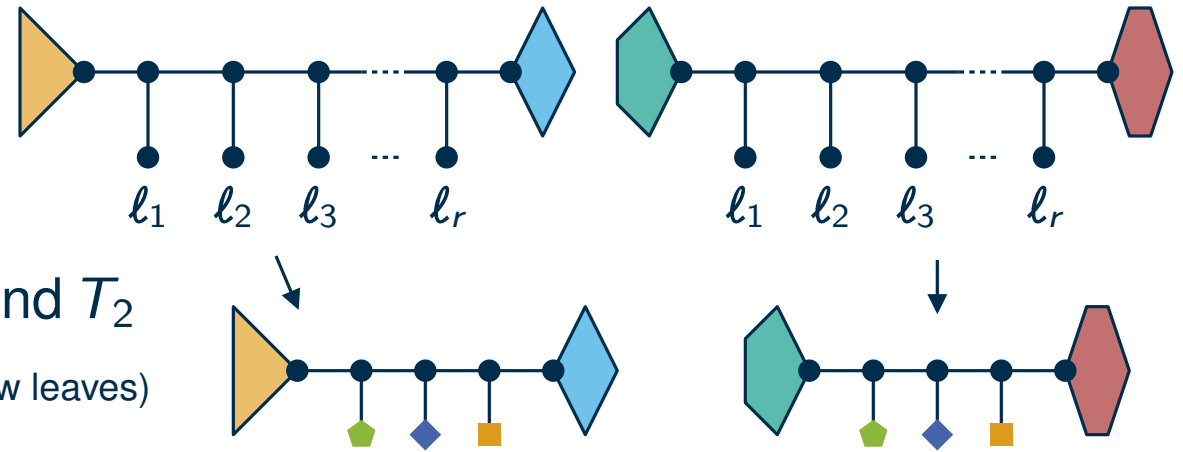
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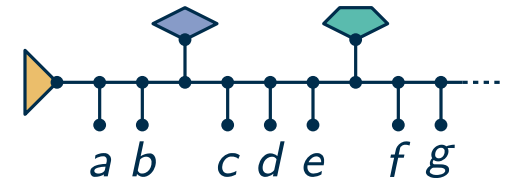
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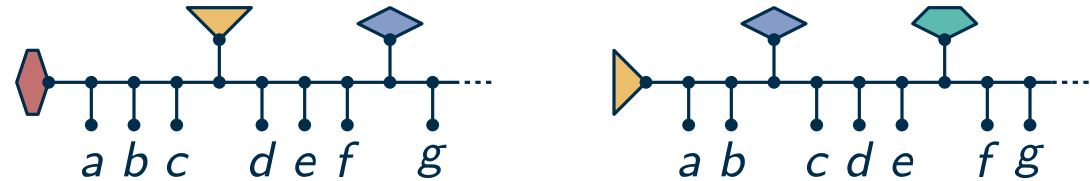
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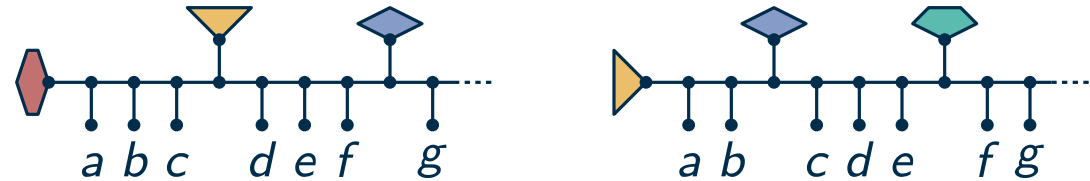
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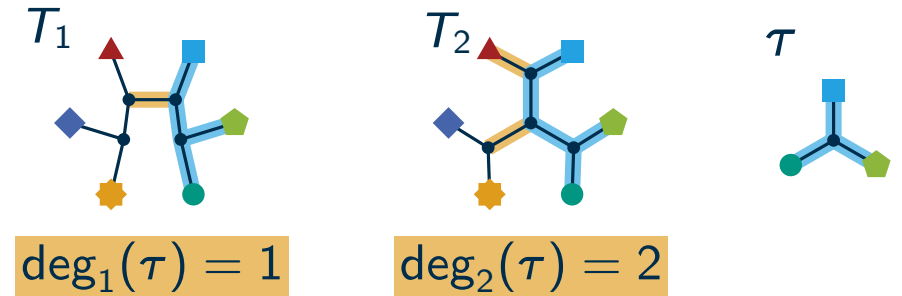
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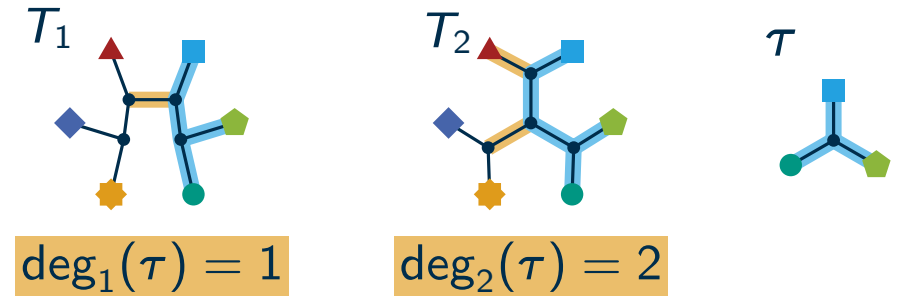


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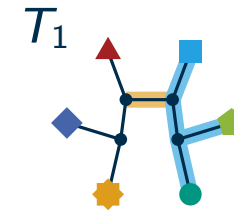
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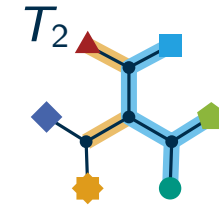
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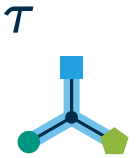
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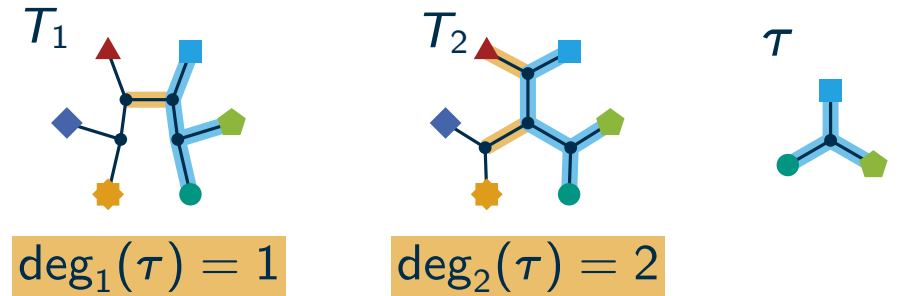
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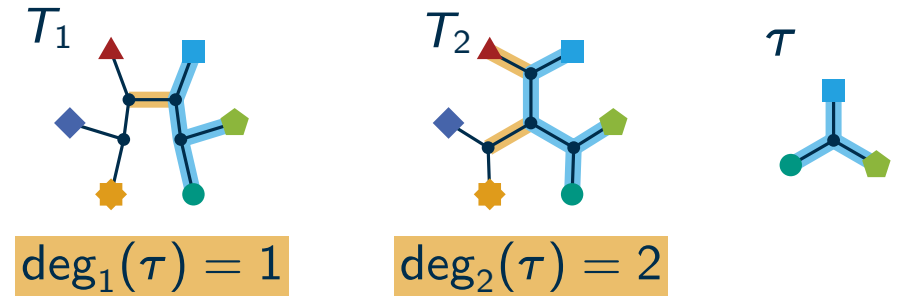
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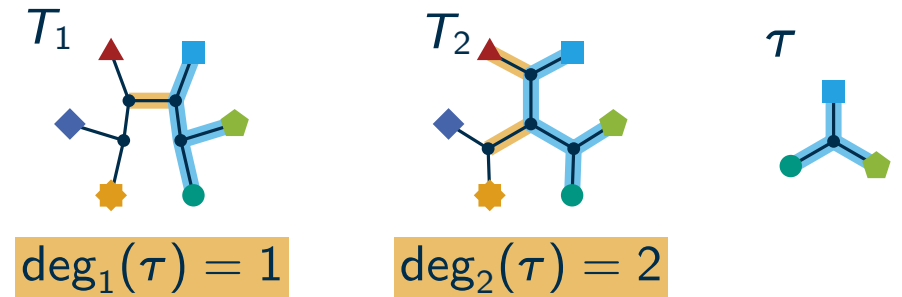
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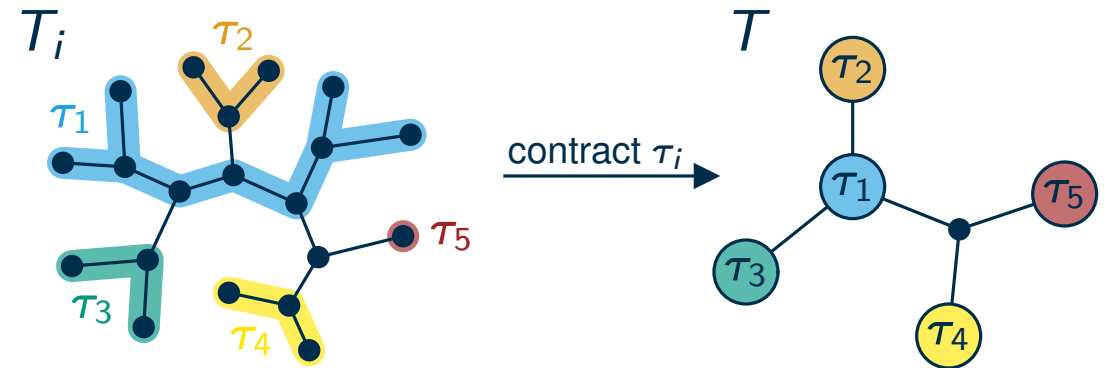
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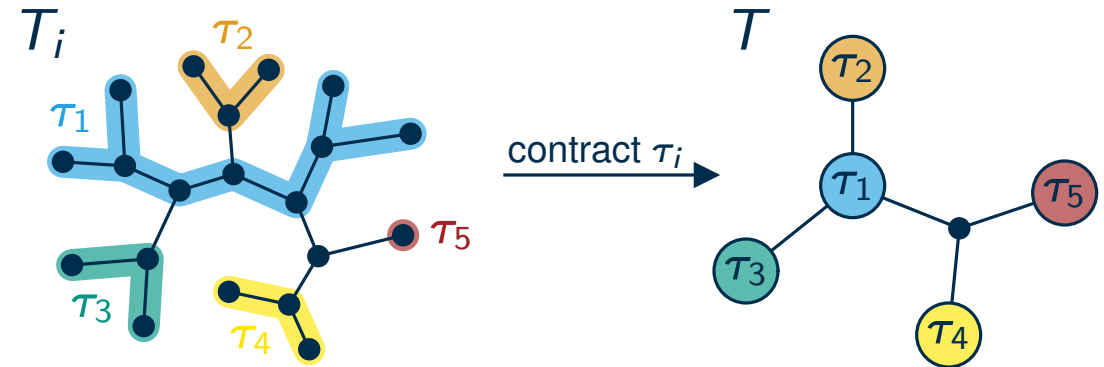
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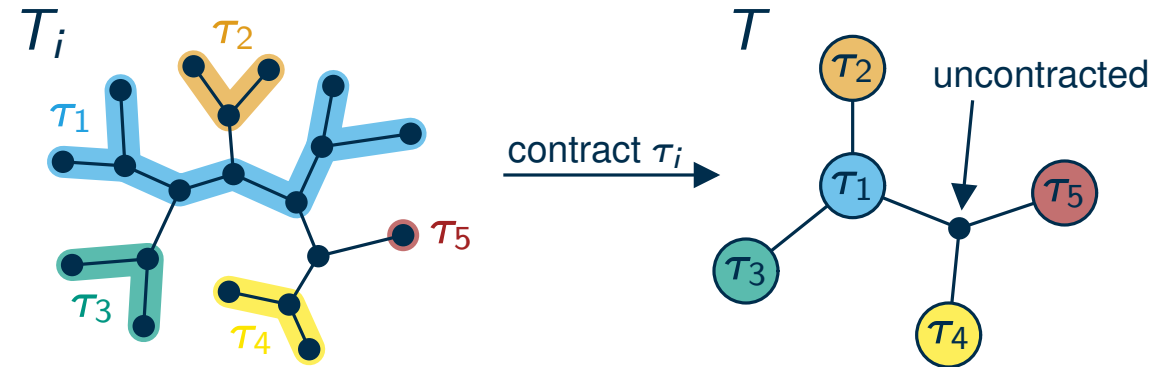
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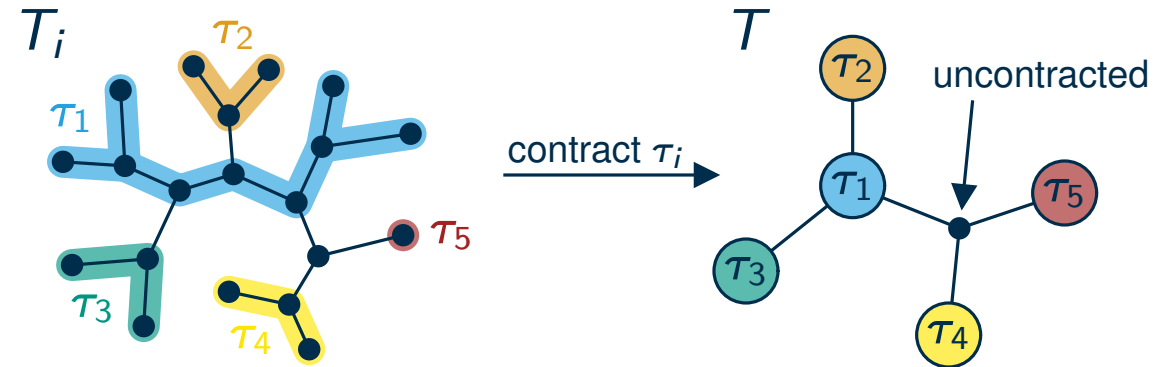
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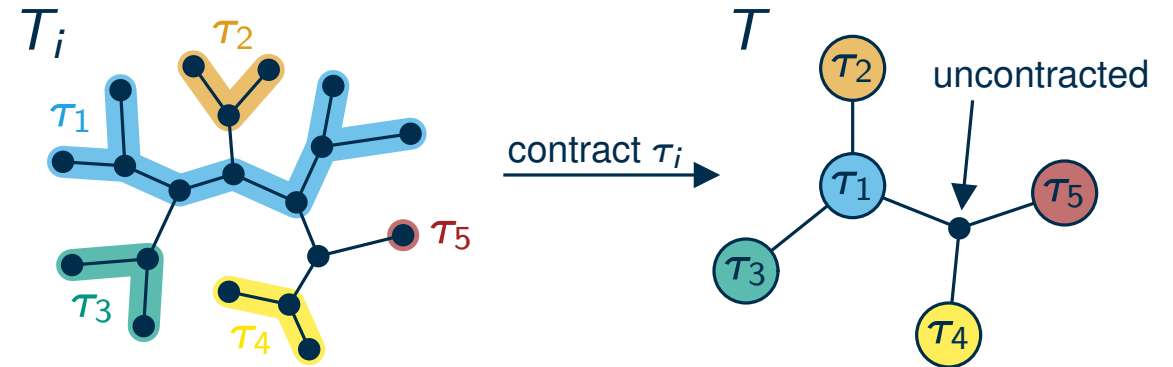
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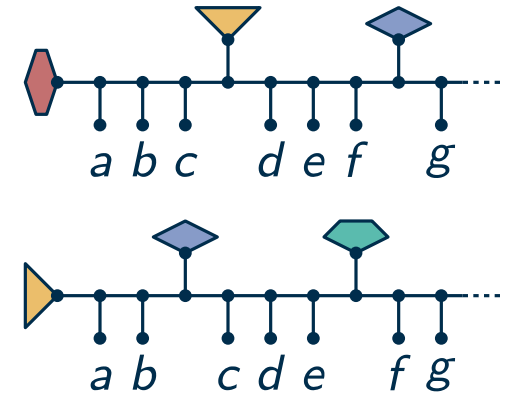


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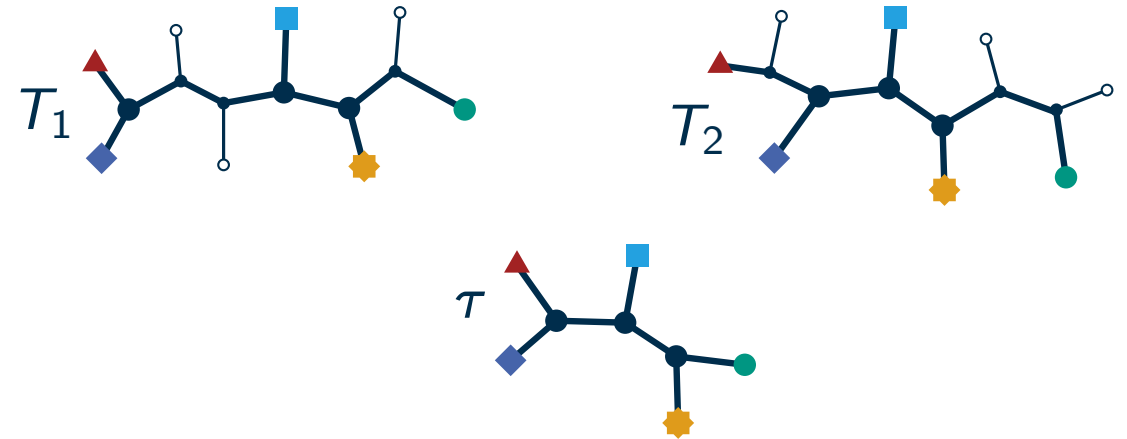
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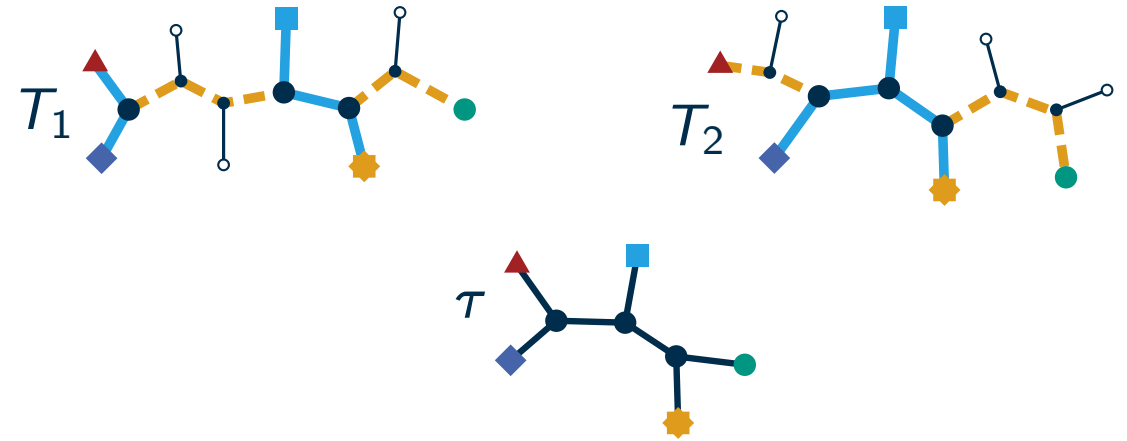
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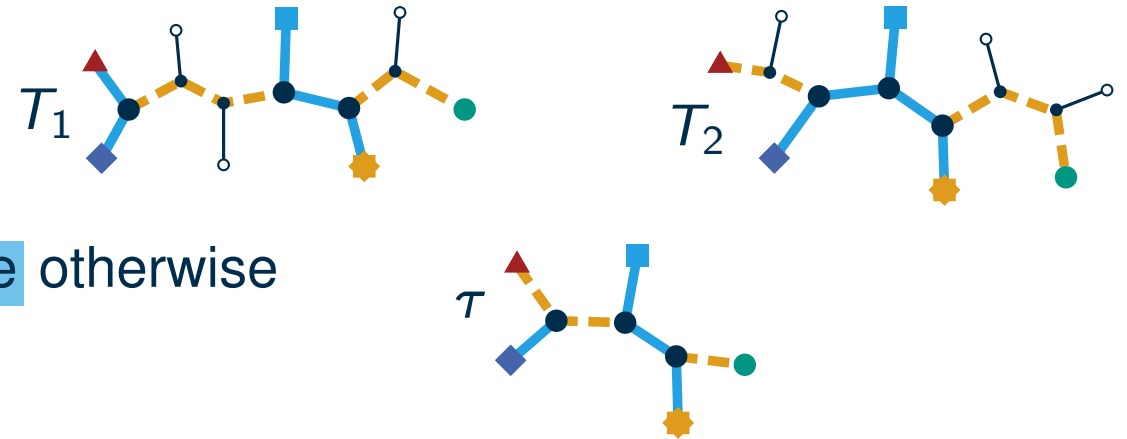
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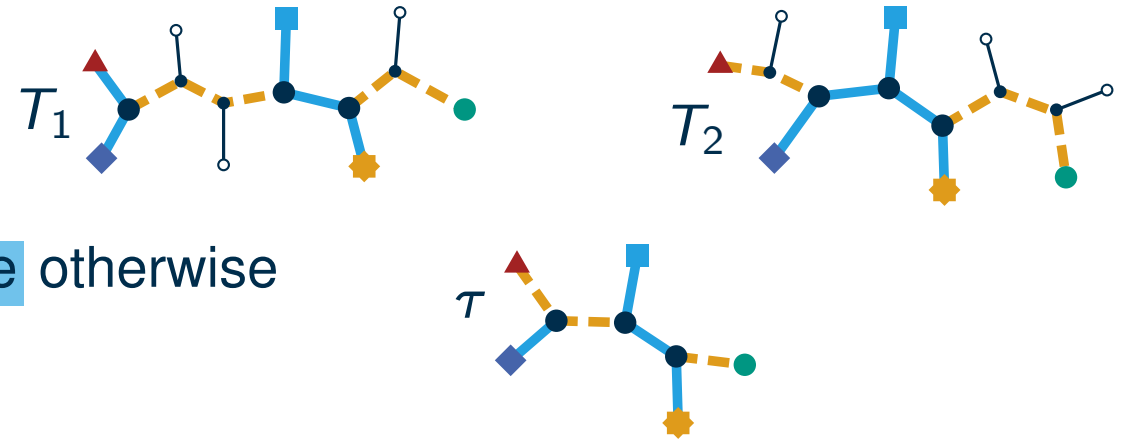
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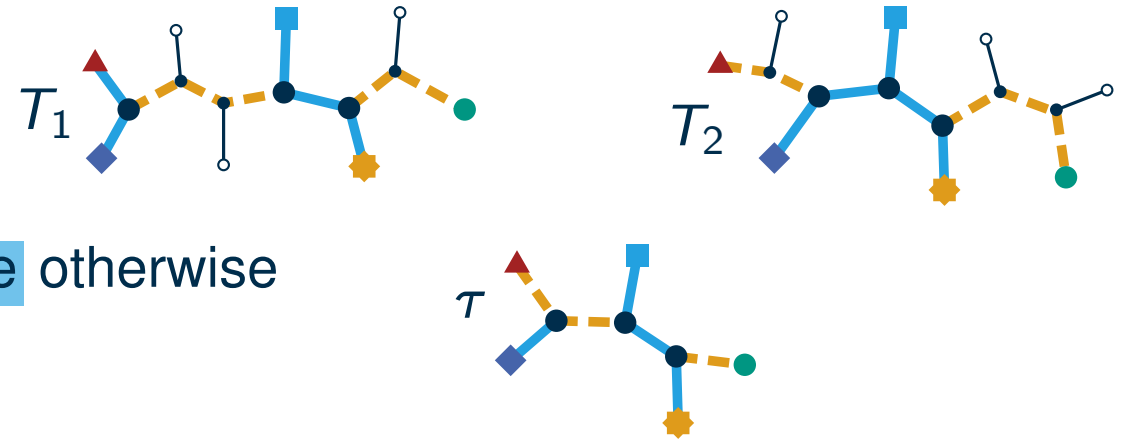
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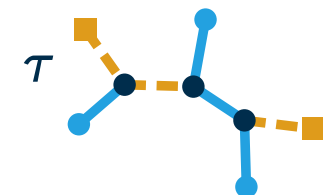
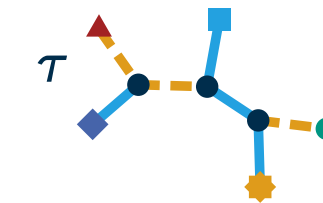


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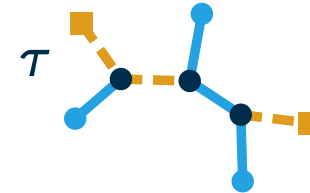
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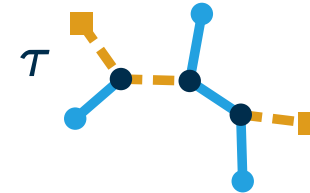
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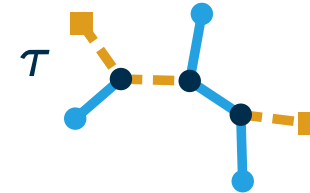
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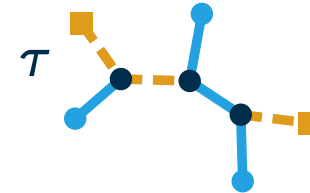
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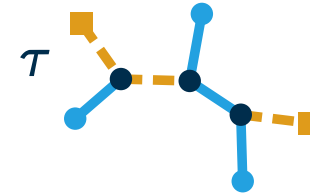
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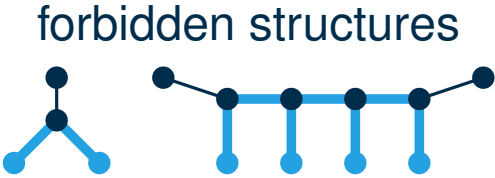
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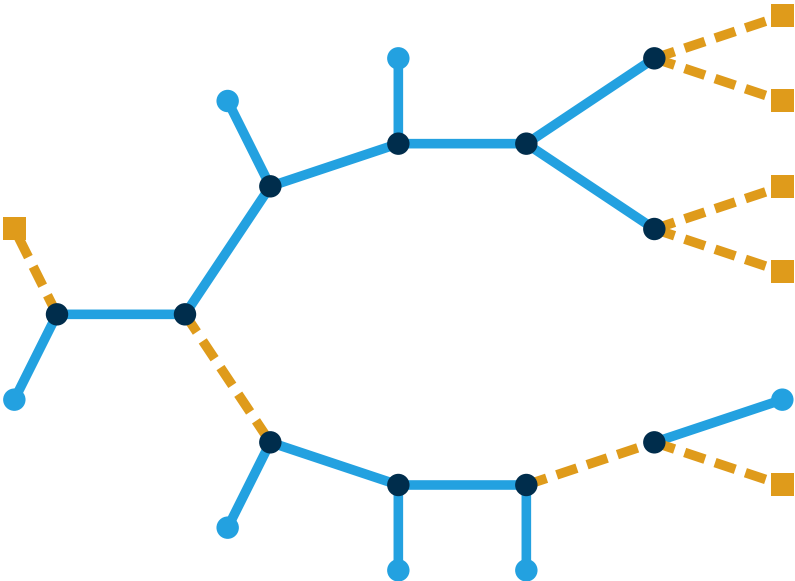
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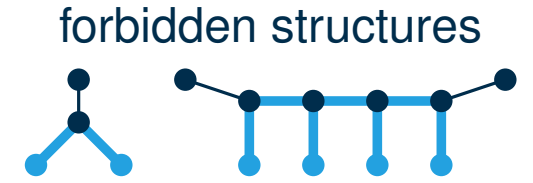


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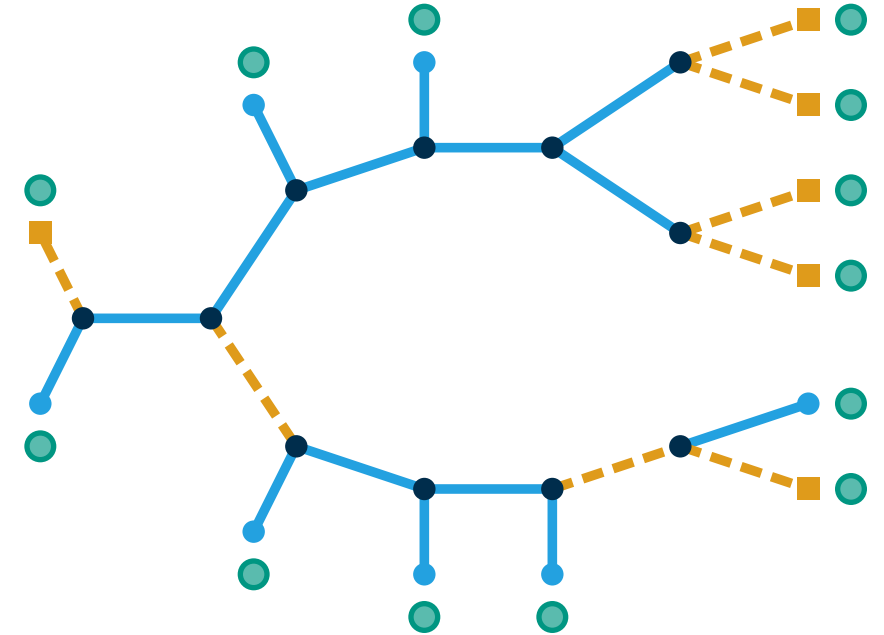
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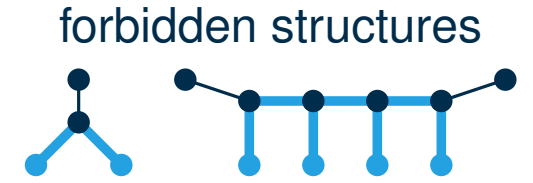
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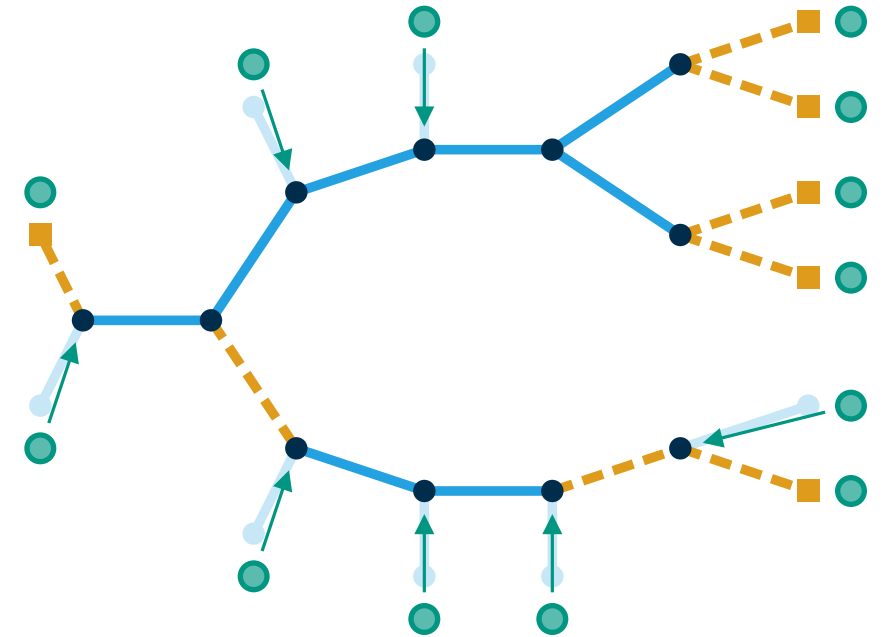
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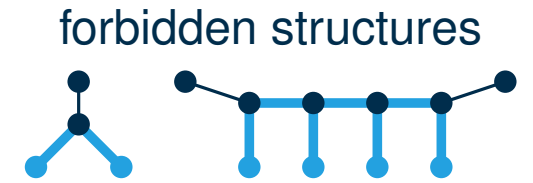
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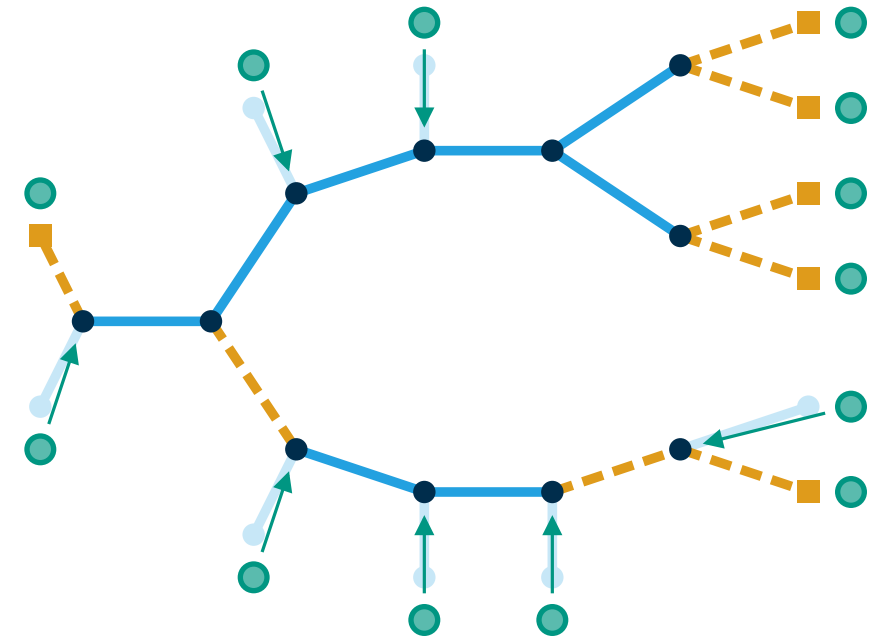
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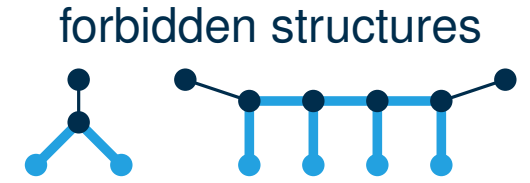
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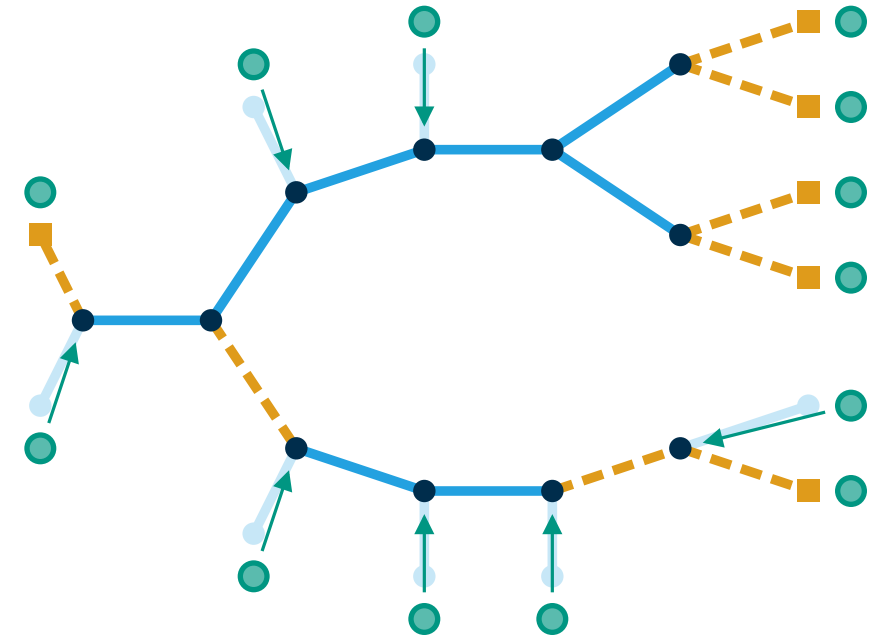
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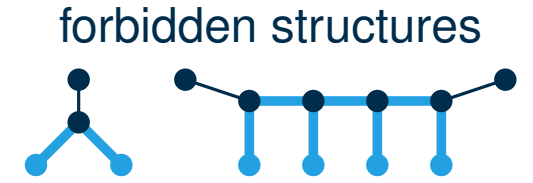
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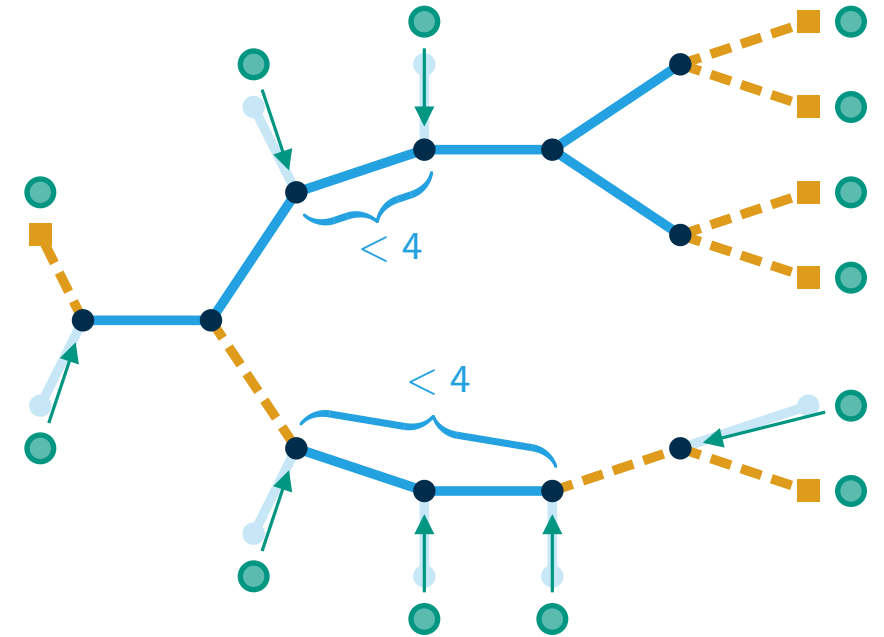
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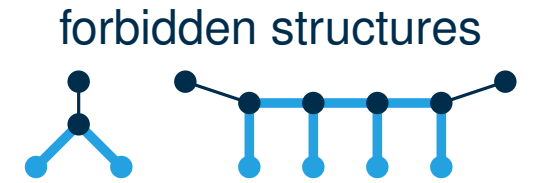
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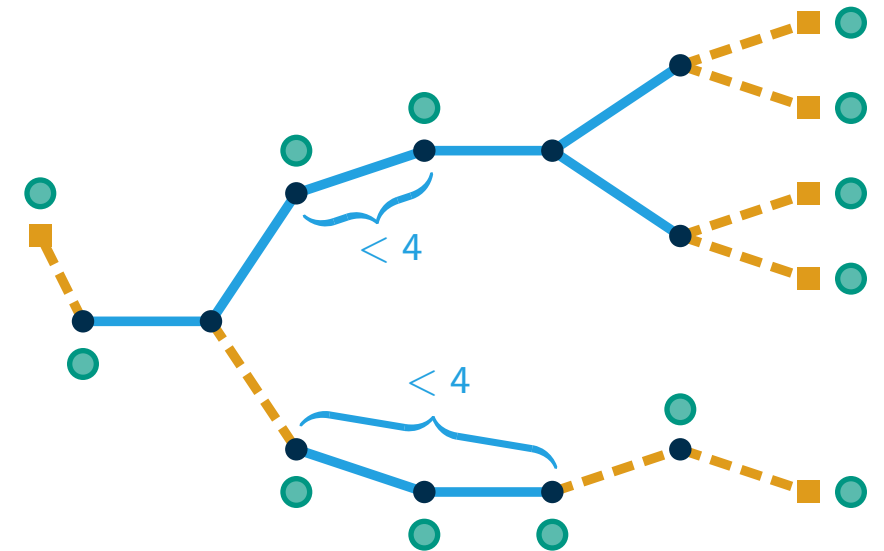
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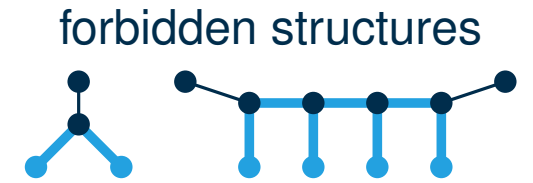
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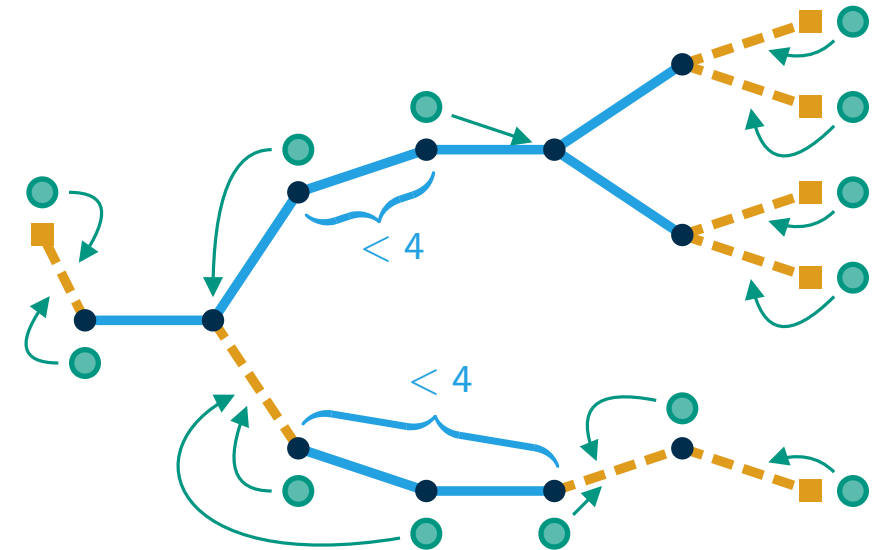
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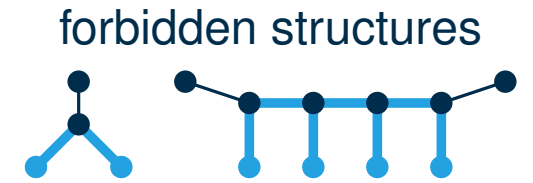
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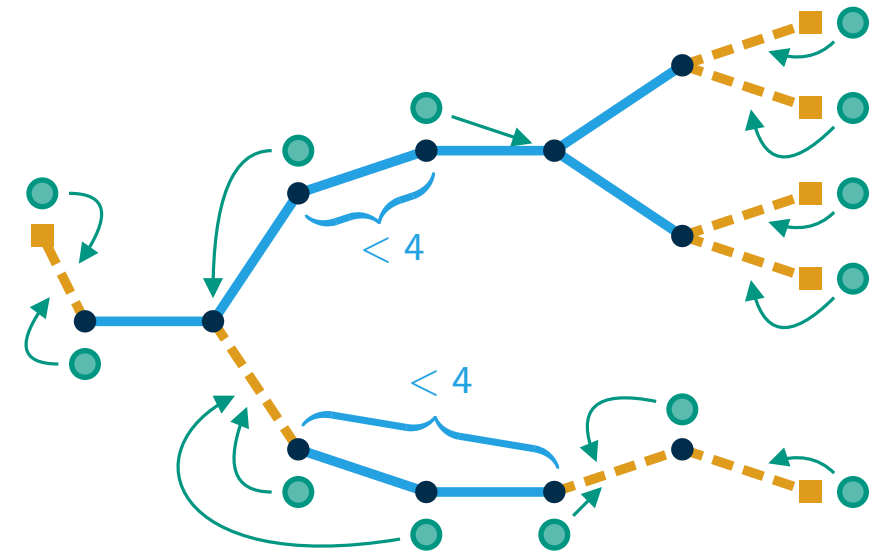
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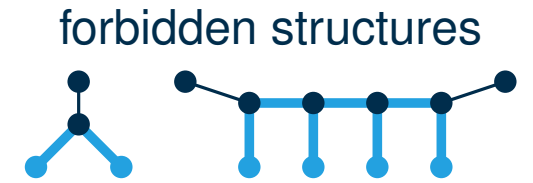
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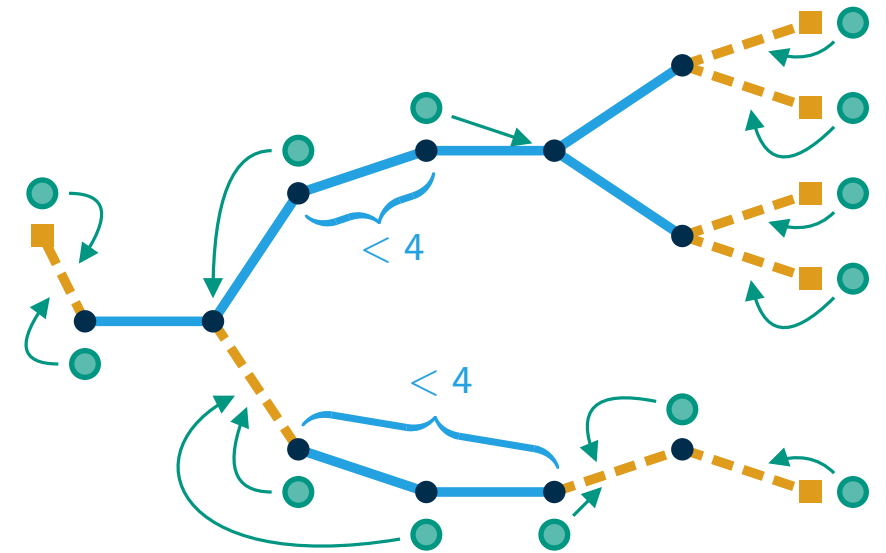
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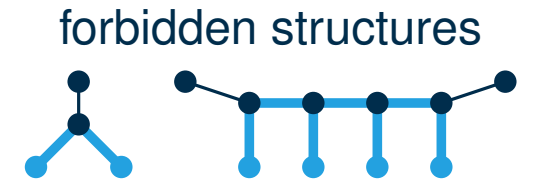
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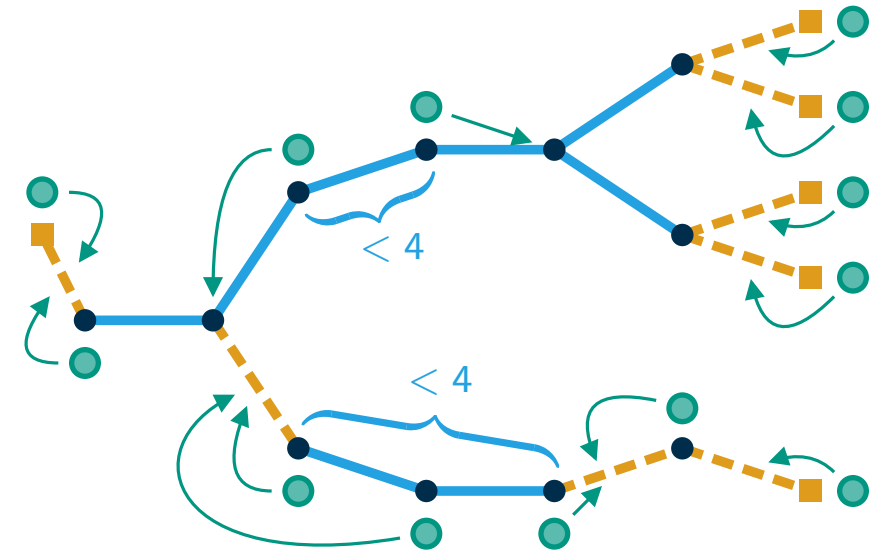
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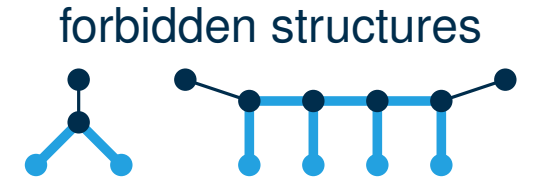
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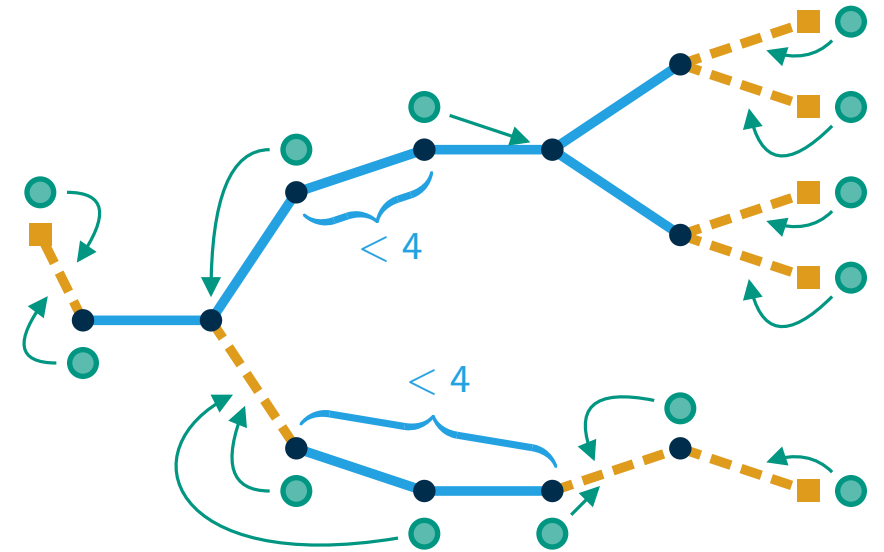
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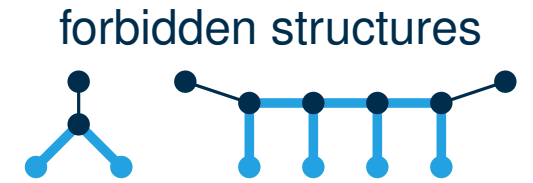
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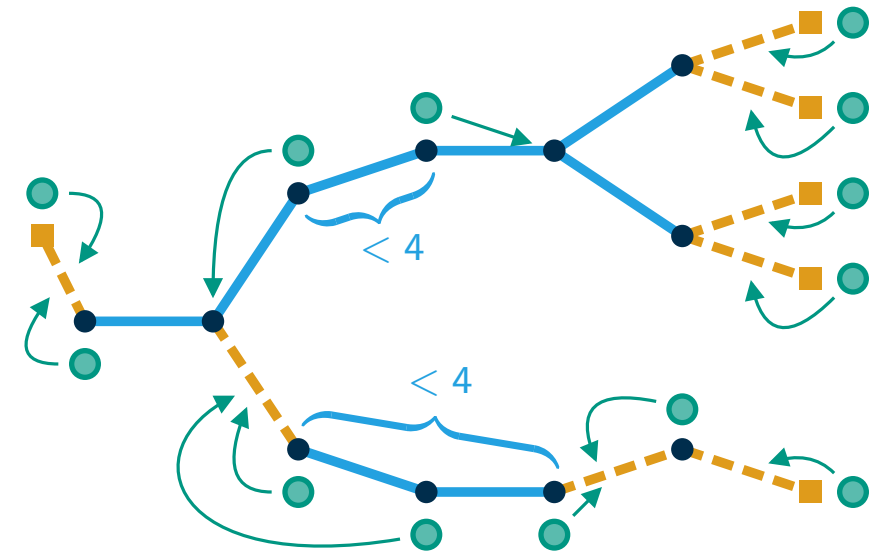
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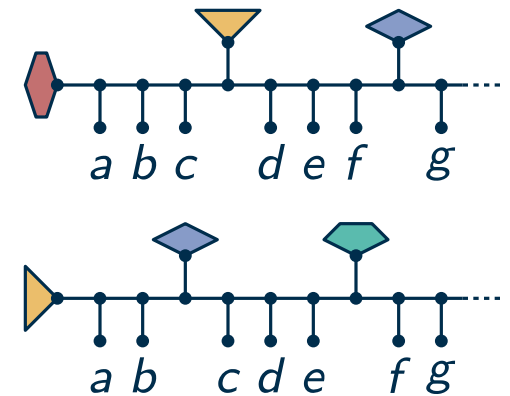
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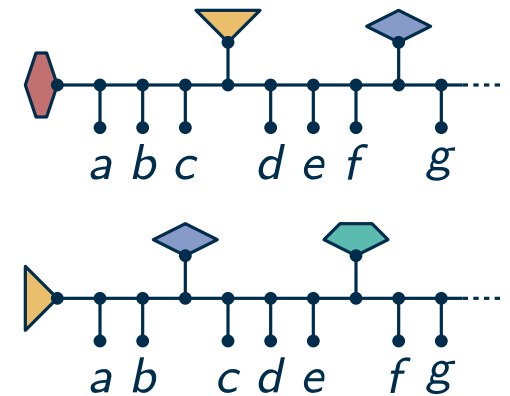
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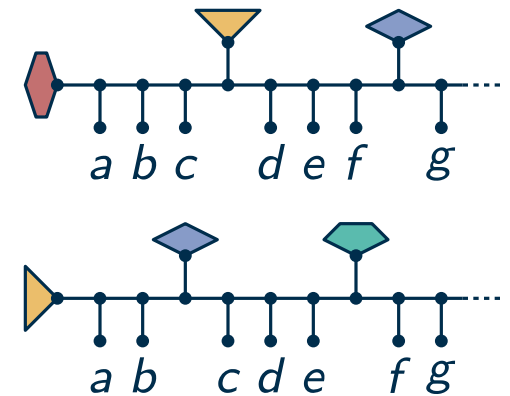
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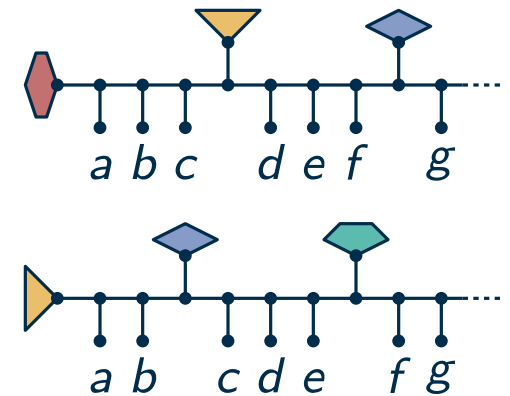
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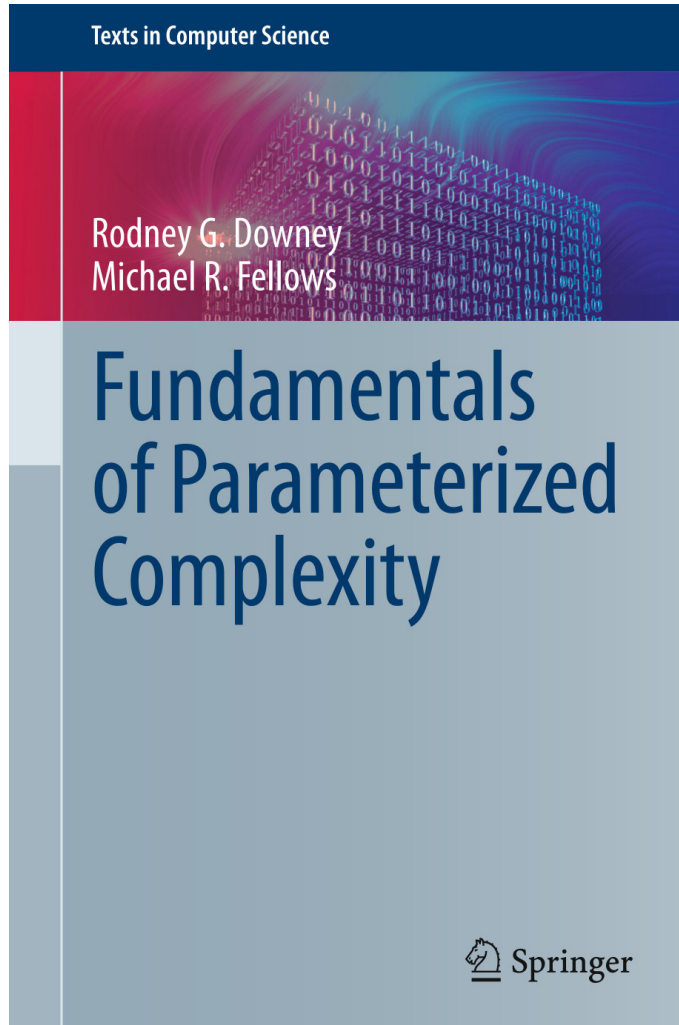
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$O(4^k \cdot k^5)$  is possible

# Literature



## Comments

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- also contains links to the original publication
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[link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-1-4471-5559-1](https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-1-4471-5559-1)