

Clones on Finite Sets Up To Minion Homomorphisms

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Rem. May be viewed as functors from **FinSet** to **Set**.

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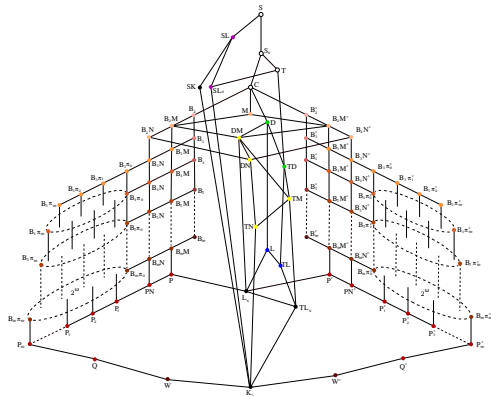
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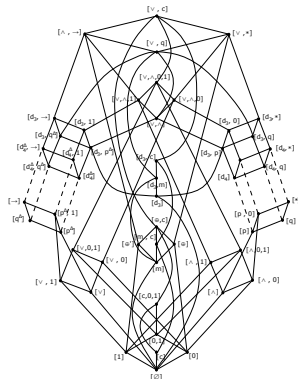
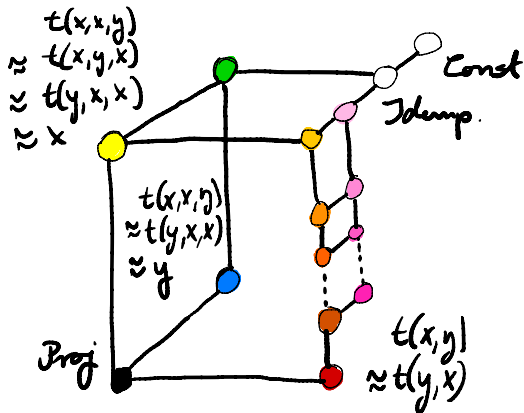
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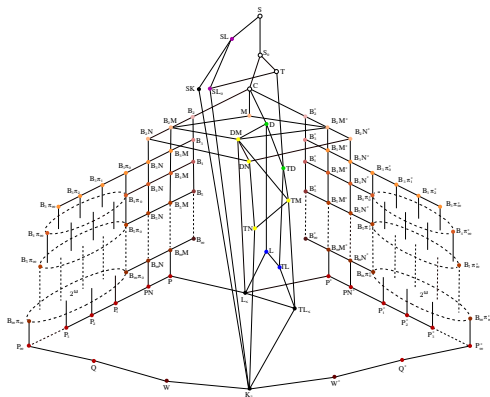
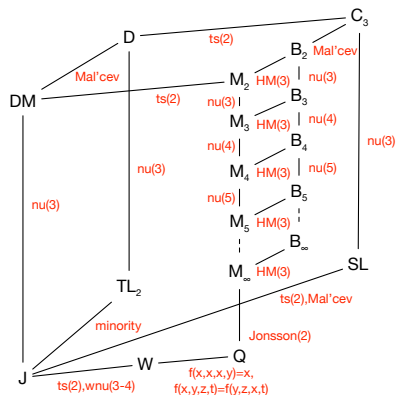
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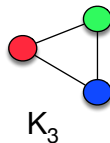
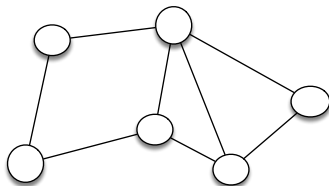
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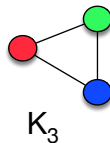
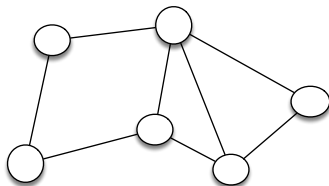
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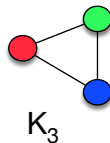
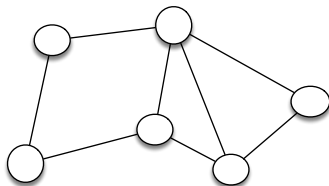
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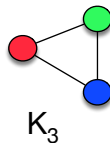
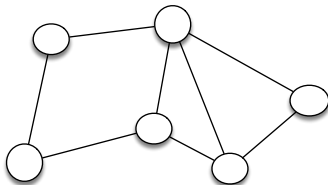
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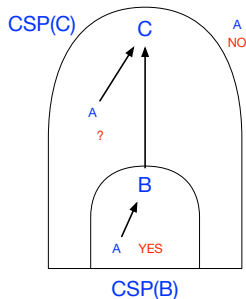
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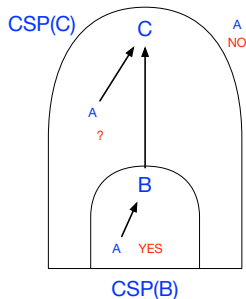
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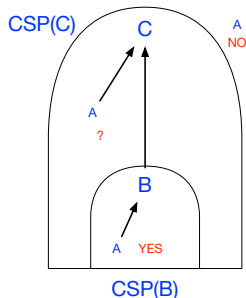
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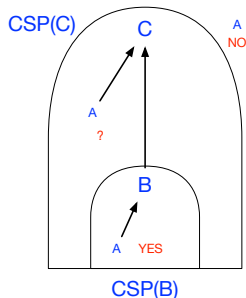
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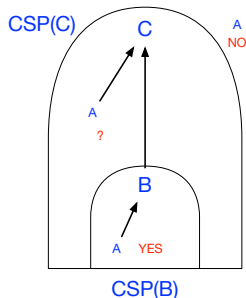
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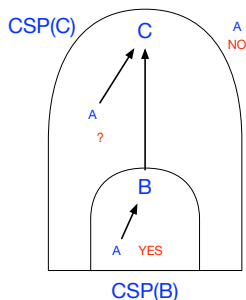
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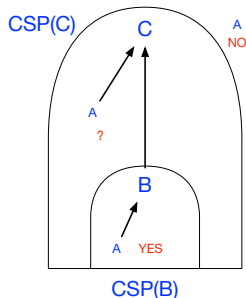
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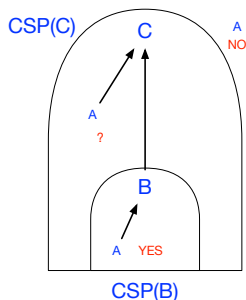
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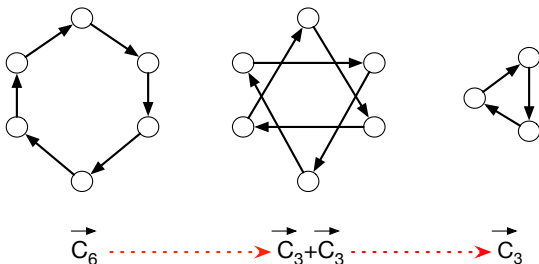
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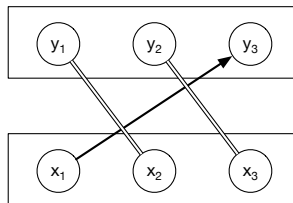
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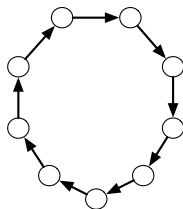
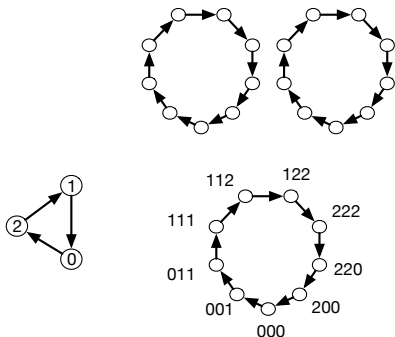
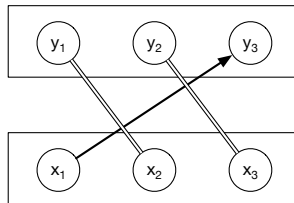
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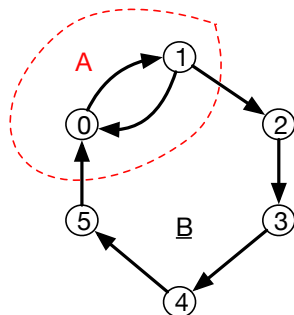
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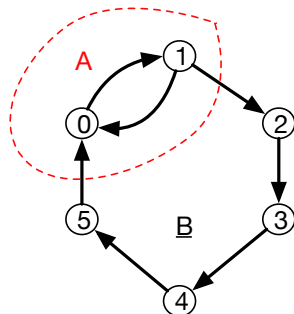


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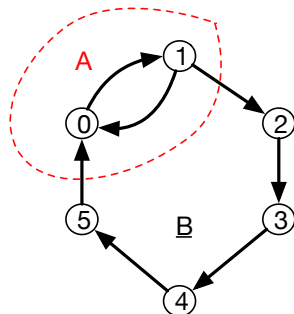
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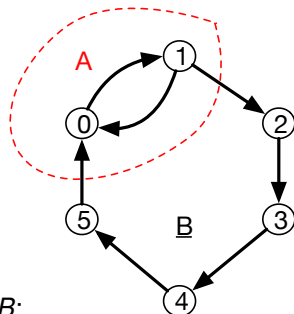
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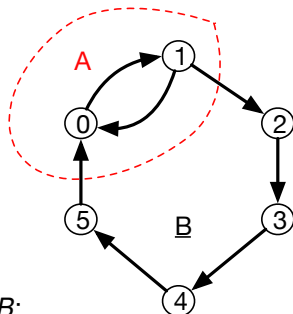
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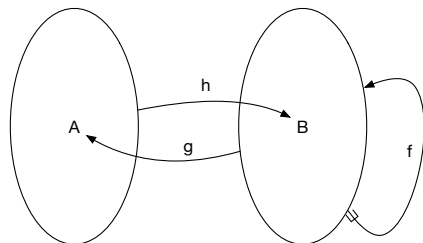
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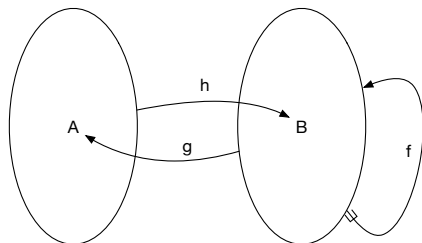
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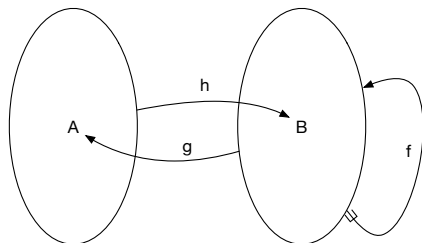
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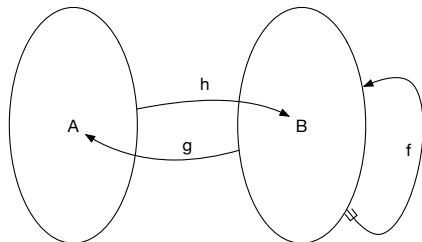
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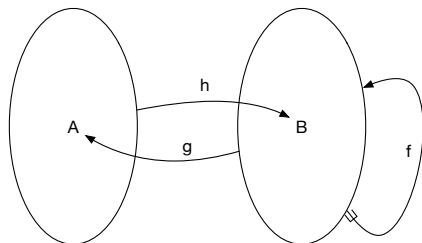
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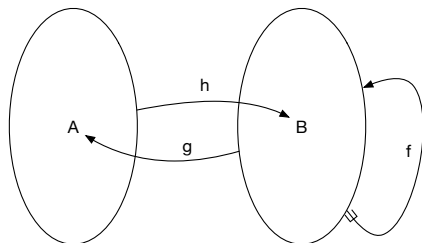
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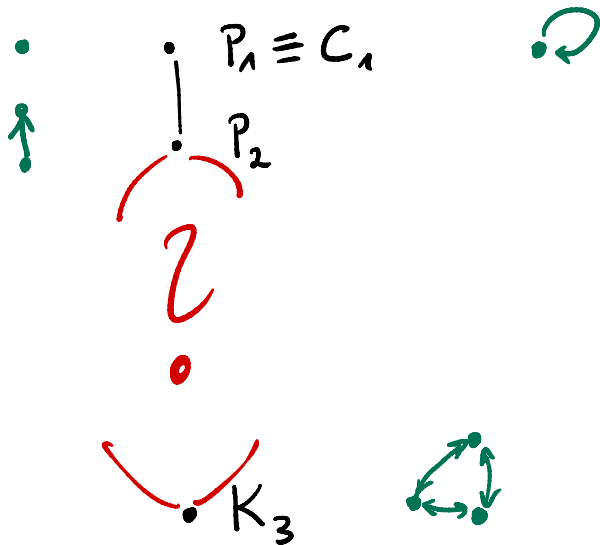
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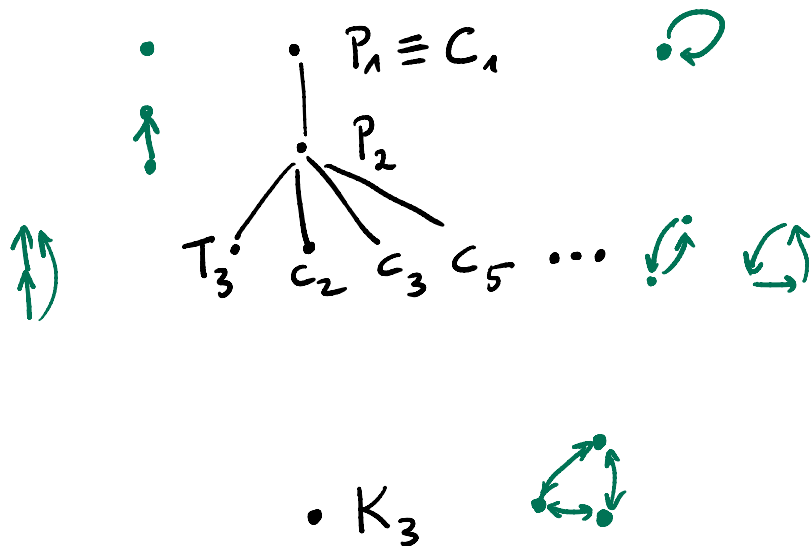
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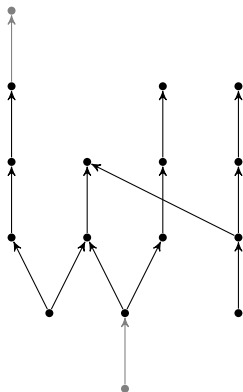
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