

# Coherence modulo relations

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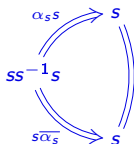
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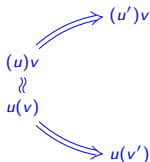
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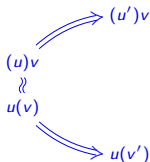
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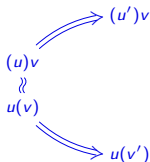
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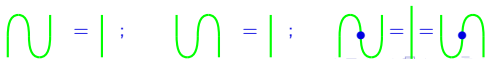


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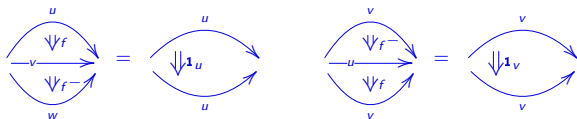
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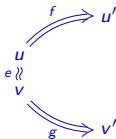
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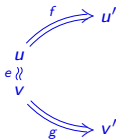
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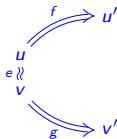
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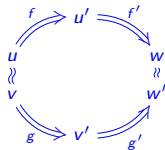
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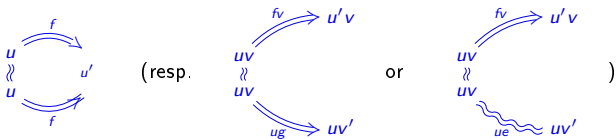
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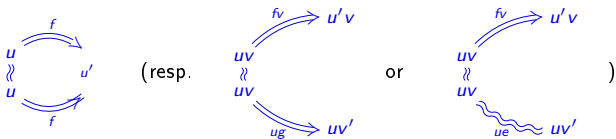
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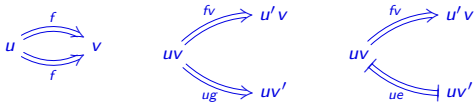


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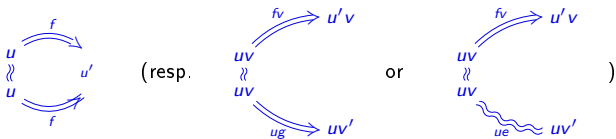


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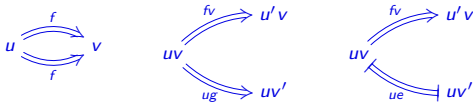


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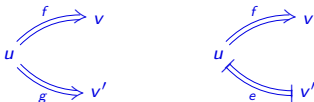
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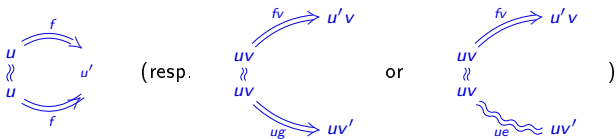
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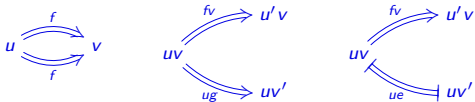


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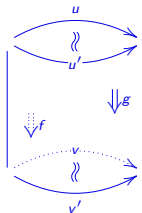
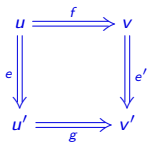
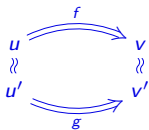
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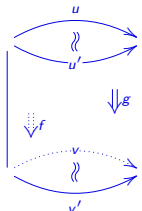
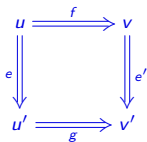
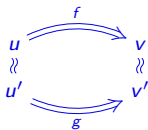
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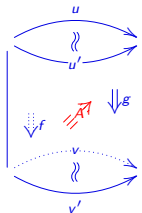
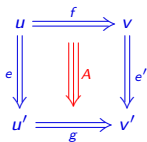
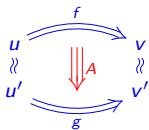


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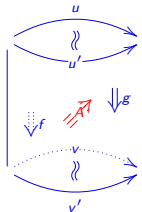
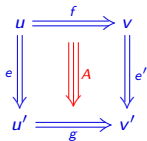
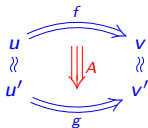
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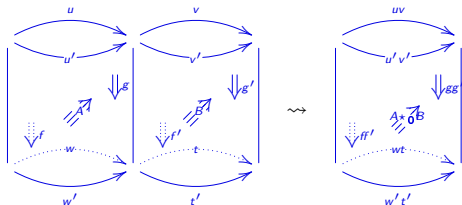
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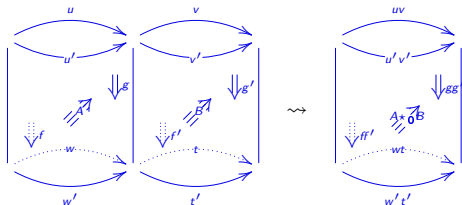
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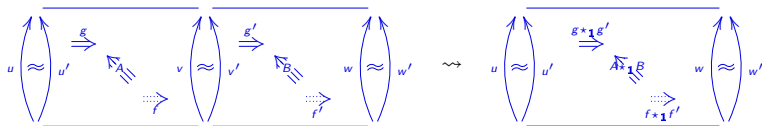
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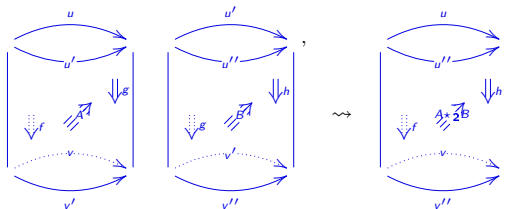
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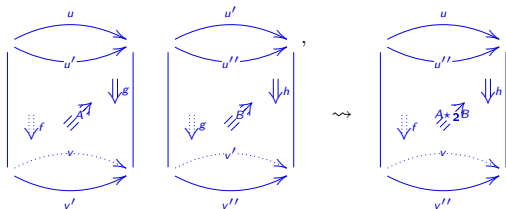
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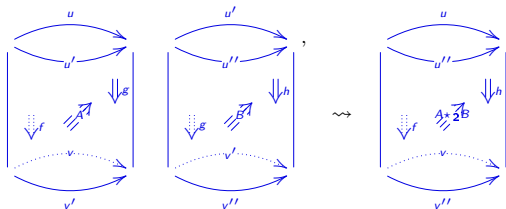


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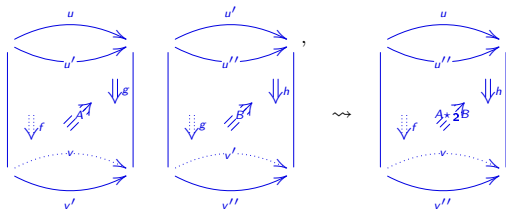
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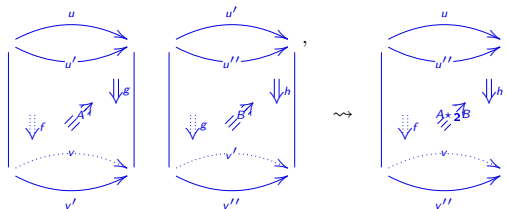
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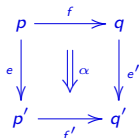
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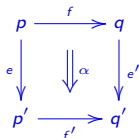
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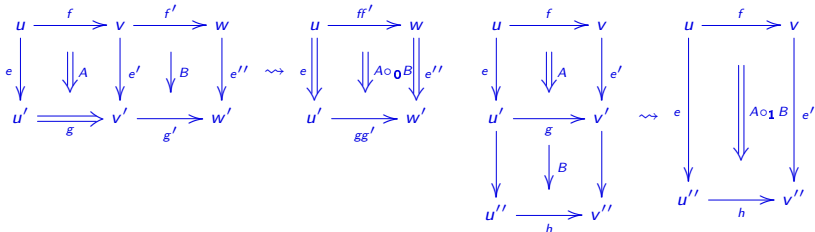
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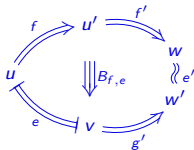
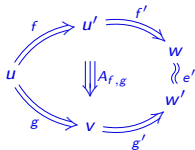


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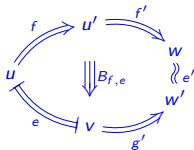
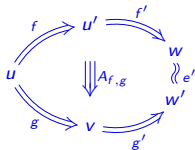
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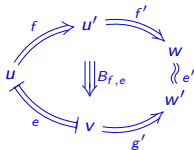
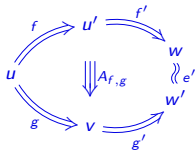
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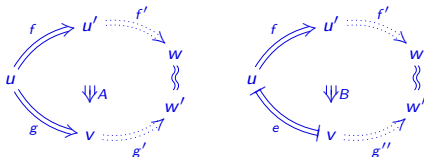
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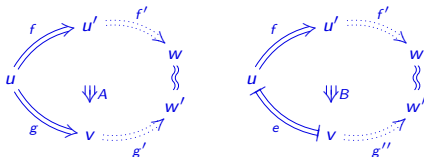
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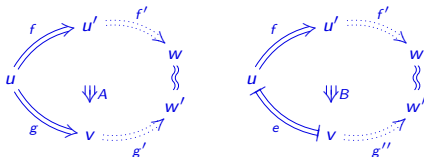
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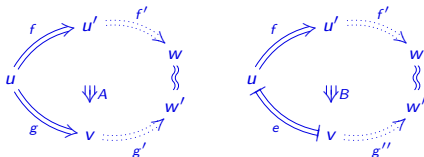
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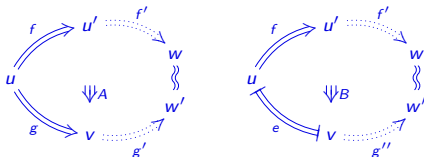
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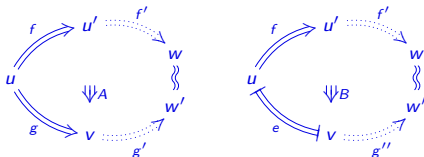


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$$f' = uh'v \quad g' = uk'v \quad g'' = ue'v \quad A' = u \star_0 A' \star_0 v \quad B = u \star_0 B' \star_0 v.$$

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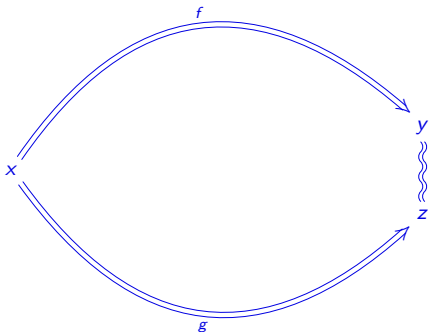
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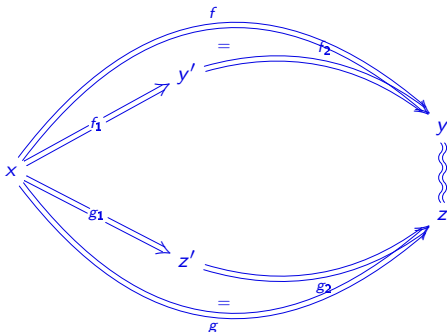
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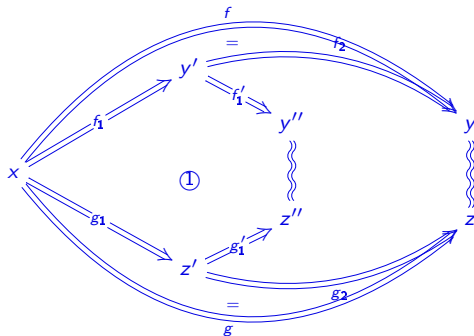
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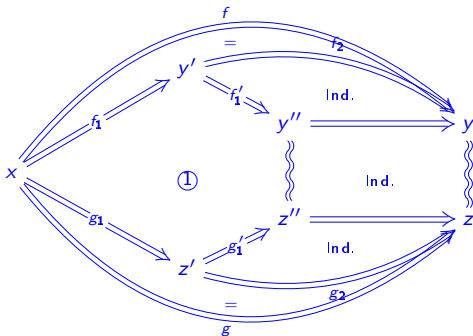
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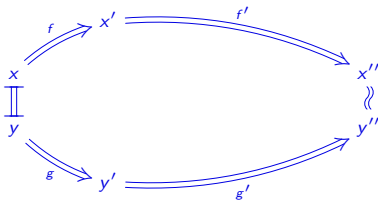
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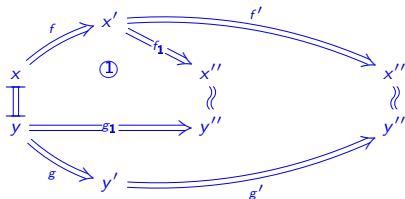
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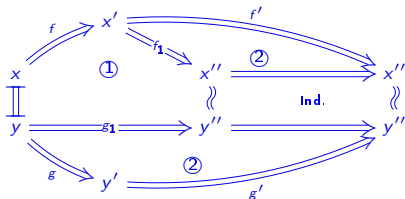
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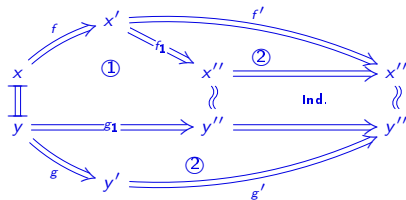
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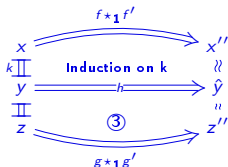


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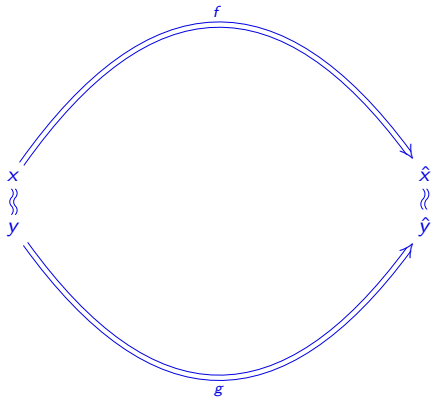
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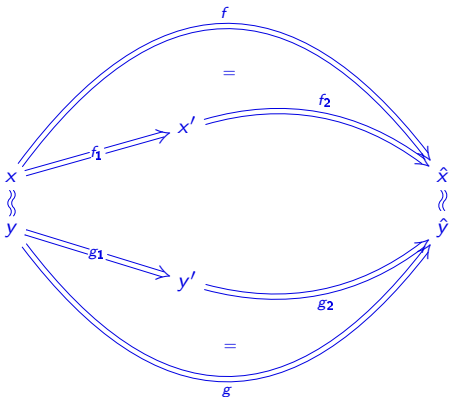
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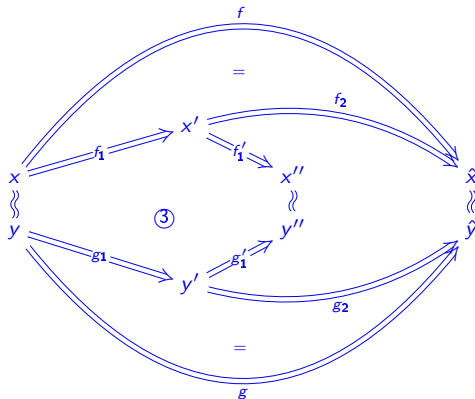
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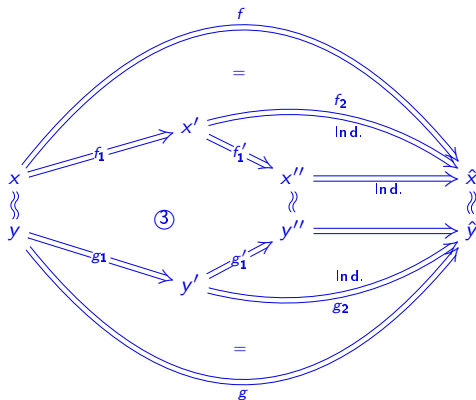
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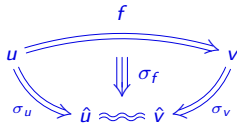
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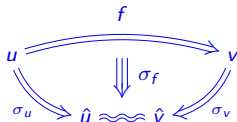
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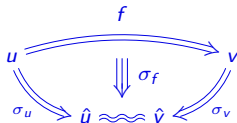
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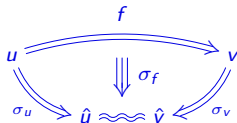


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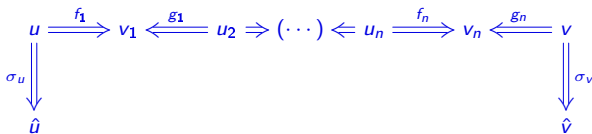
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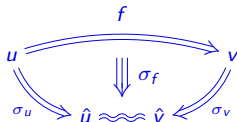


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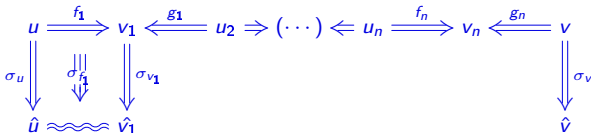


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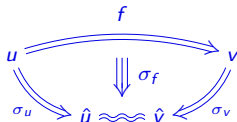
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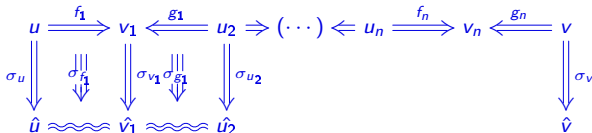


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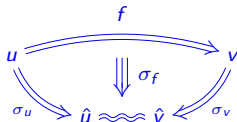


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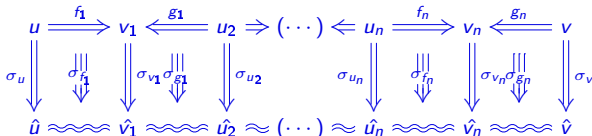


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