

The background of the slide features four hands, one in each corner, holding blue puzzle pieces. The puzzle pieces are arranged in a way that they seem to be coming together to form a larger shape. The hands are positioned as if they are about to fit the pieces together. The overall scene is set against a light blue background.

Open Multiparty Interactions in the link-calculus

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Roadmap

- Problem statement: intro and motivation
- A new kind of interaction
- Handling message content
- Encoding mobile ambients
- Conclusion and future work

Setting

Modelling concurrent communicating systems

Process calculi approach

(some basic knowledge of CCS and pi assumed,
some details omitted)

Interaction

An **interaction** is an action by which
(communicating) processes
can influence each other

Milner's CCS interaction

co-action prefix

$$a.P \mid \bar{a}.Q$$

action prefix

$$P \mid Q$$

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action prefix

$a \bullet \bar{a} = \tau$ silent action

$$P \mid Q$$

Would you...?

...model piano playing using dyadic interaction



Open multiparty interactions are like playing piano
(either bad or good, it does not matter)

Milner's pi interaction

$$\bar{a}x.P \mid a(y).Q$$

τ

$$P \mid Q[x/y]$$

Any better abstraction?

Internet

Biology

Social networks

Autonomic systems

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I/O is the basic form of interaction
but “one size won’t fit all”

(it is possibly misleading to think otherwise:
not all interactions are mutual/reciprocal)

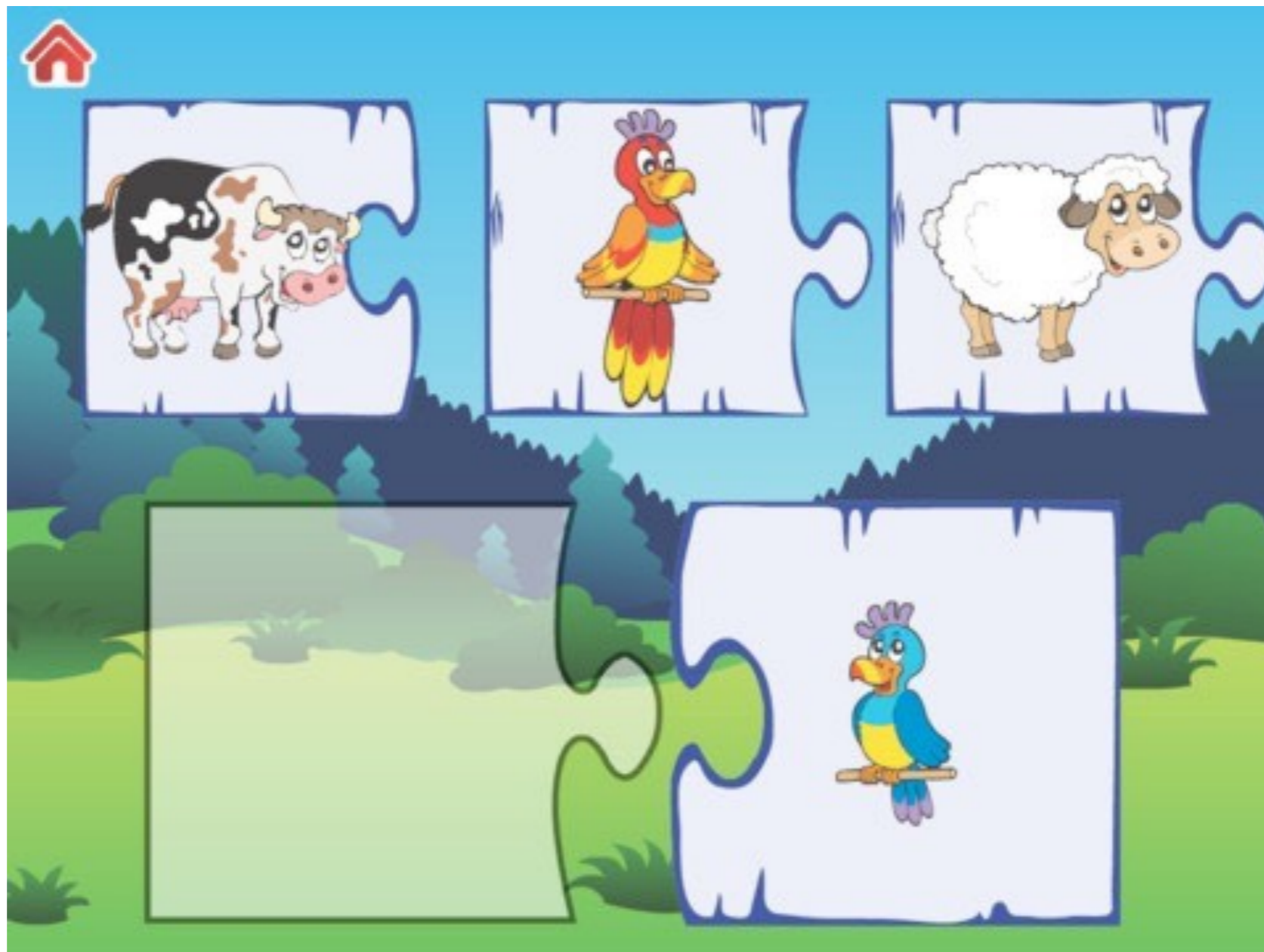
In our Vision

Interaction is like a puzzle:

it requires different pieces to fit together

Bold claim #1

Mutual (I/O-like) interaction is like a kid's puzzle



Multiparty interaction

An interaction is **multiparty** when it involves two or more processes



Open interaction

An interaction is **open** when the number of involved processes is not fixed



Our aim

Extend the theory of dyadic interactions
as little as possible
as well as possible
to deal with open multiparty interaction

Motivating example

How to encode Cardelli&Gordon's mobile ambients
(in ordinary process calculi)?

CCS/CSP:

immutable connectivity

π :

channel mobility



mobile ambients:
mobility of nested processes
(barrier crossing)

HO π :

flat process mobility

Process algebra ops

0	nil
$\mu.P$	action prefix
$P + Q$	sum
$P Q$	parallel
$(\nu a)P$	restriction
$!P$	replication
X	process variable
rec $X.P$	recursive process
$P[\phi]$	renaming

Named, mobile, active, hierarchical ambients

An **ambient** is a place where computation happens
An ambient defines some sort of boundary

An ambient has a **name**

An ambient has a collection of local processes
An ambient has a collection of **sub-ambients**

Ambients are subject to capabilities:
Ambients can **move** in/out of other ambients
Ambients can **dissolve**

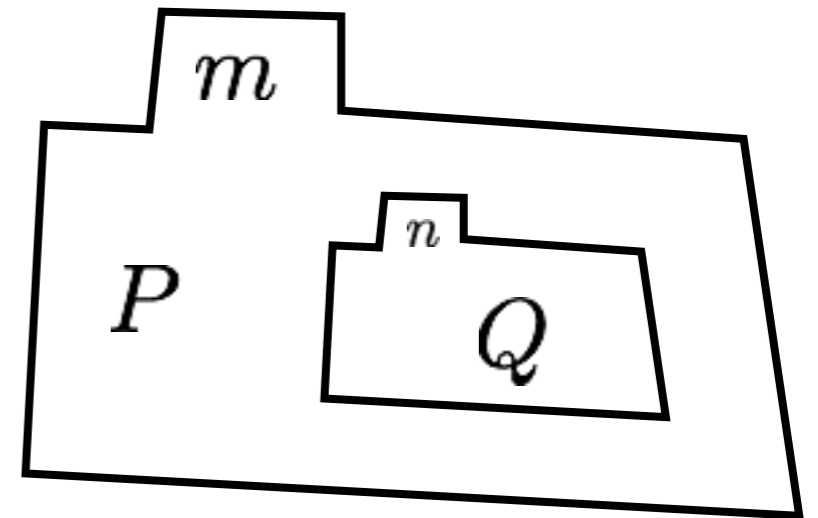
(Pure) Ambient calculus

$P ::=$

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$m[P]$	ambient
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$P \mid Q$	parallel
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$!P$	replication

$M ::=$

in m	entry capability
out m	exit capability
open m	open capability



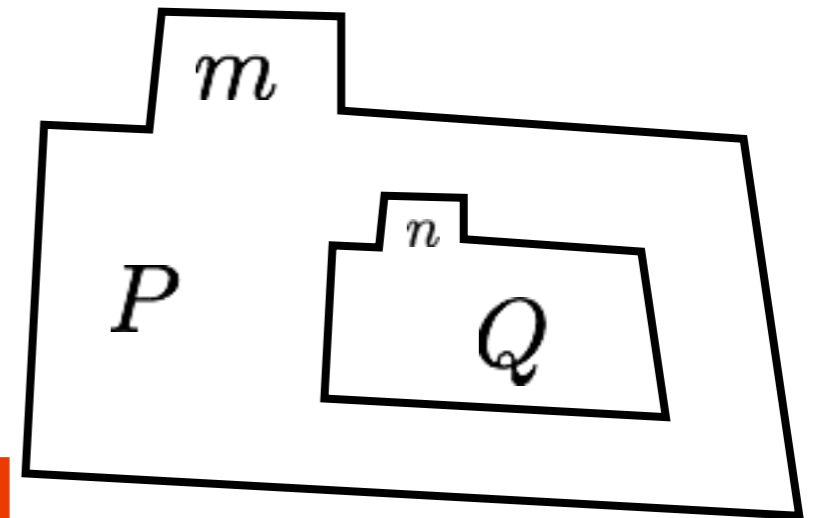
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Ambient calculus: semantics

Structural congruence

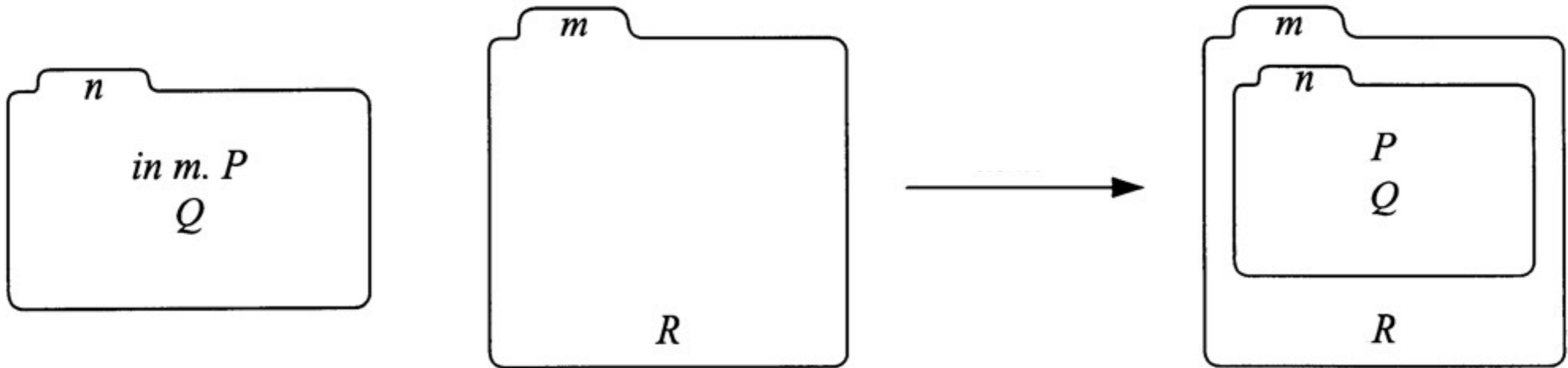
$$\begin{array}{lll}
 P \equiv P & Q \equiv P \Rightarrow P \equiv Q & P \equiv Q, Q \equiv R \Rightarrow P \equiv R \\
 P \mid \mathbf{0} \equiv P & P \mid Q \equiv Q \mid P & (P \mid Q) \mid R \equiv P \mid (Q \mid R) \\
 (\nu n)\mathbf{0} \equiv \mathbf{0} & (\nu n)(\nu m)P \equiv (\nu m)(\nu n)P & P \equiv Q \Rightarrow P \mid R \equiv Q \mid R \\
 & (\nu n)(P \mid Q) \equiv P \mid (\nu n)Q, \text{ if } n \notin \text{fn}(P) & P \equiv Q \Rightarrow (\nu n)P \equiv (\nu n)Q \\
 !P \equiv P \mid !P & (\nu n)(m[P]) \equiv m[(\nu n)P], \text{ if } n \neq m & P \equiv Q \Rightarrow n[P] \equiv n[Q]
 \end{array}$$

Reduction semantics

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{n[\text{in } m.P \mid Q] \mid m[R] \rightarrow m[n[P \mid Q] \mid R]} \text{(In)} \\
 \\
 \frac{}{m[n[\text{out } m.P \mid Q] \mid R] \rightarrow n[P \mid Q] \mid m[R]} \text{(Out)} \\
 \\
 \frac{}{\text{open } n.P \mid n[Q] \rightarrow P \mid Q} \text{(Open)} \quad \frac{P \rightarrow Q}{(\nu n)P \rightarrow (\nu n)Q} \text{(Res)} \quad \frac{P \rightarrow Q}{n[P] \rightarrow n[Q]} \text{(Amb)} \\
 \\
 \frac{P \rightarrow Q}{P \mid R \rightarrow Q \mid R} \text{(Par)} \quad \frac{P' \equiv P \quad P \rightarrow Q \quad Q \equiv Q'}{P' \rightarrow Q'} \text{(Cong)}
 \end{array}$$

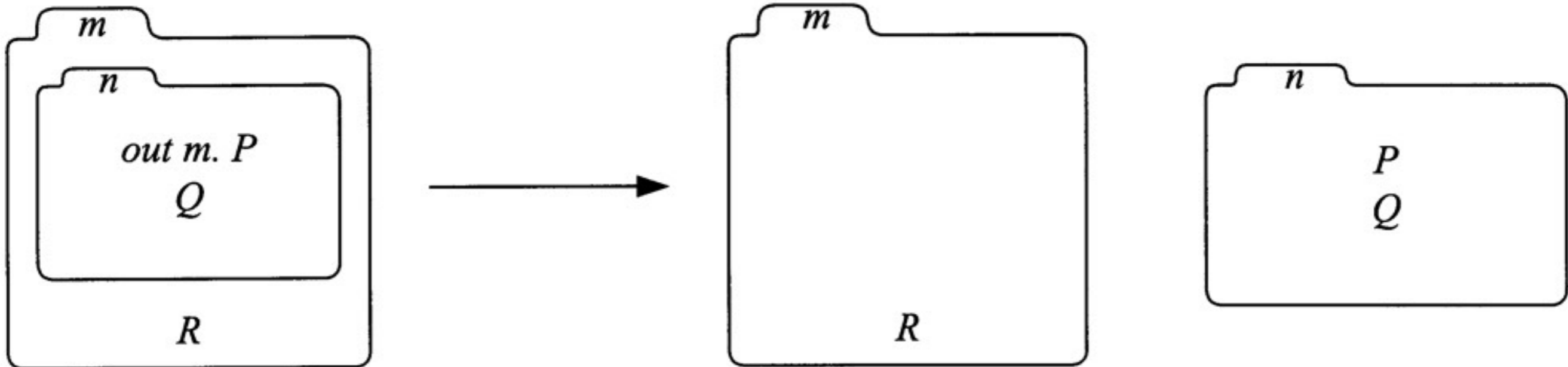
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$$n[\text{in } m.P \mid Q] \mid m[R] \rightarrow m[n[P \mid Q] \mid R] \quad (\text{In})$$



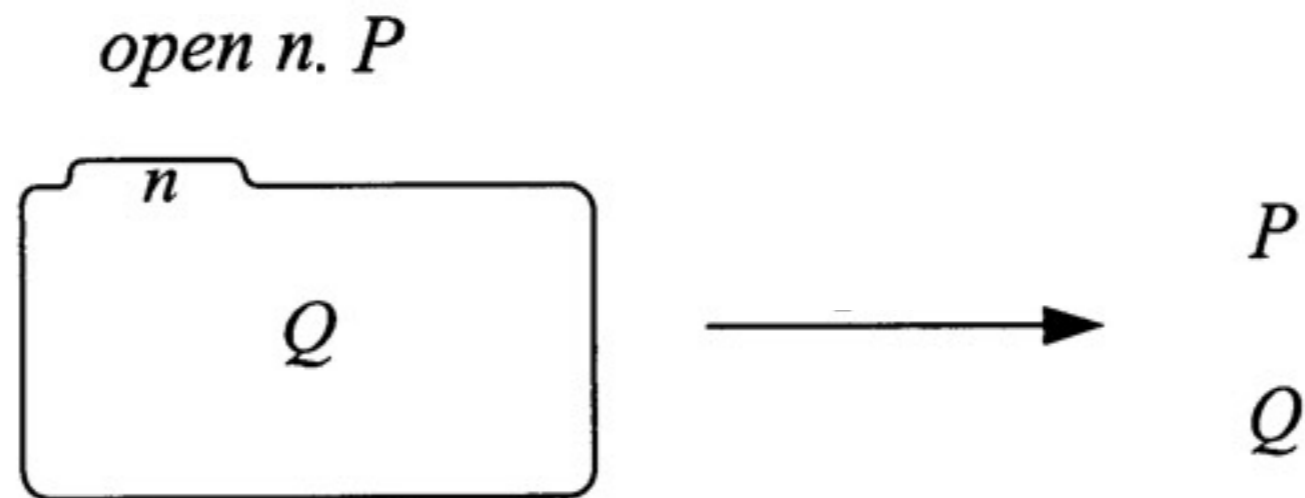
(Out)

$$m[n[\text{out } m.P \mid Q] \mid R] \rightarrow n[P \mid Q] \mid m[R] \quad (\text{Out})$$



(Open)

$$\frac{}{\text{open } n.P \mid n[Q] \rightarrow P \mid Q} \text{ (Open)}$$



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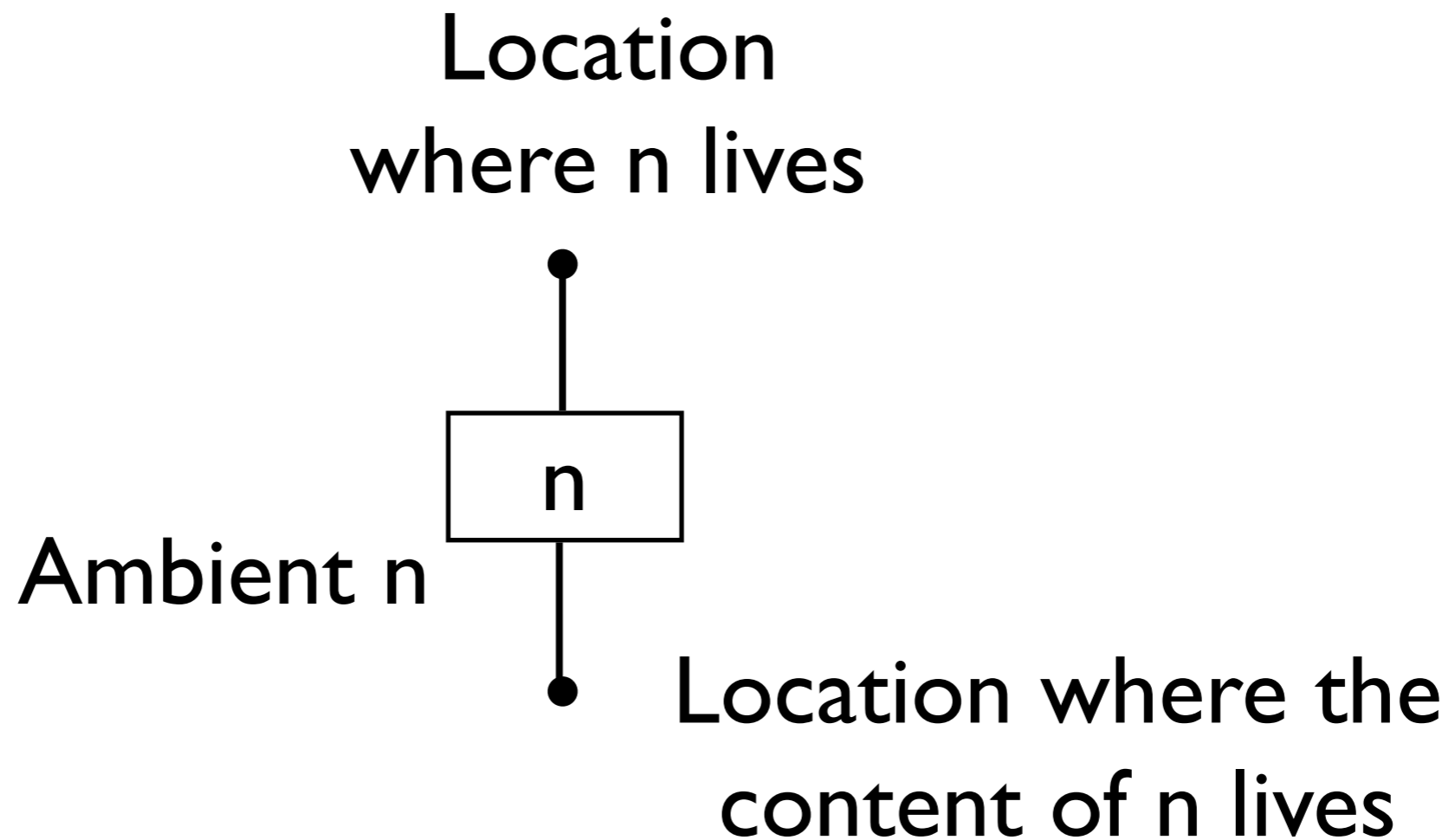
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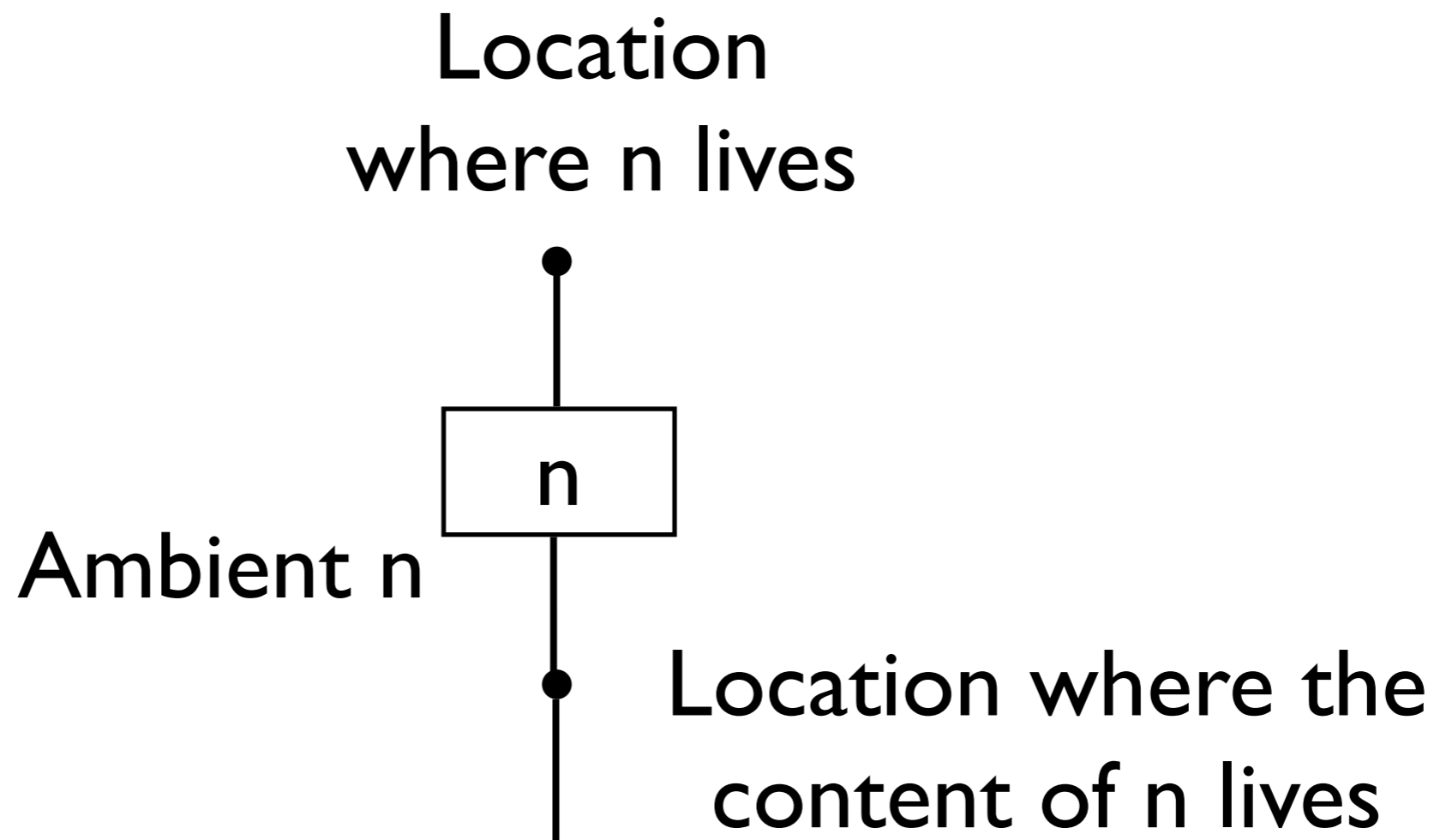
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Personal guess:
it is just because **ambient-like interaction**
is inherently non-dyadic!

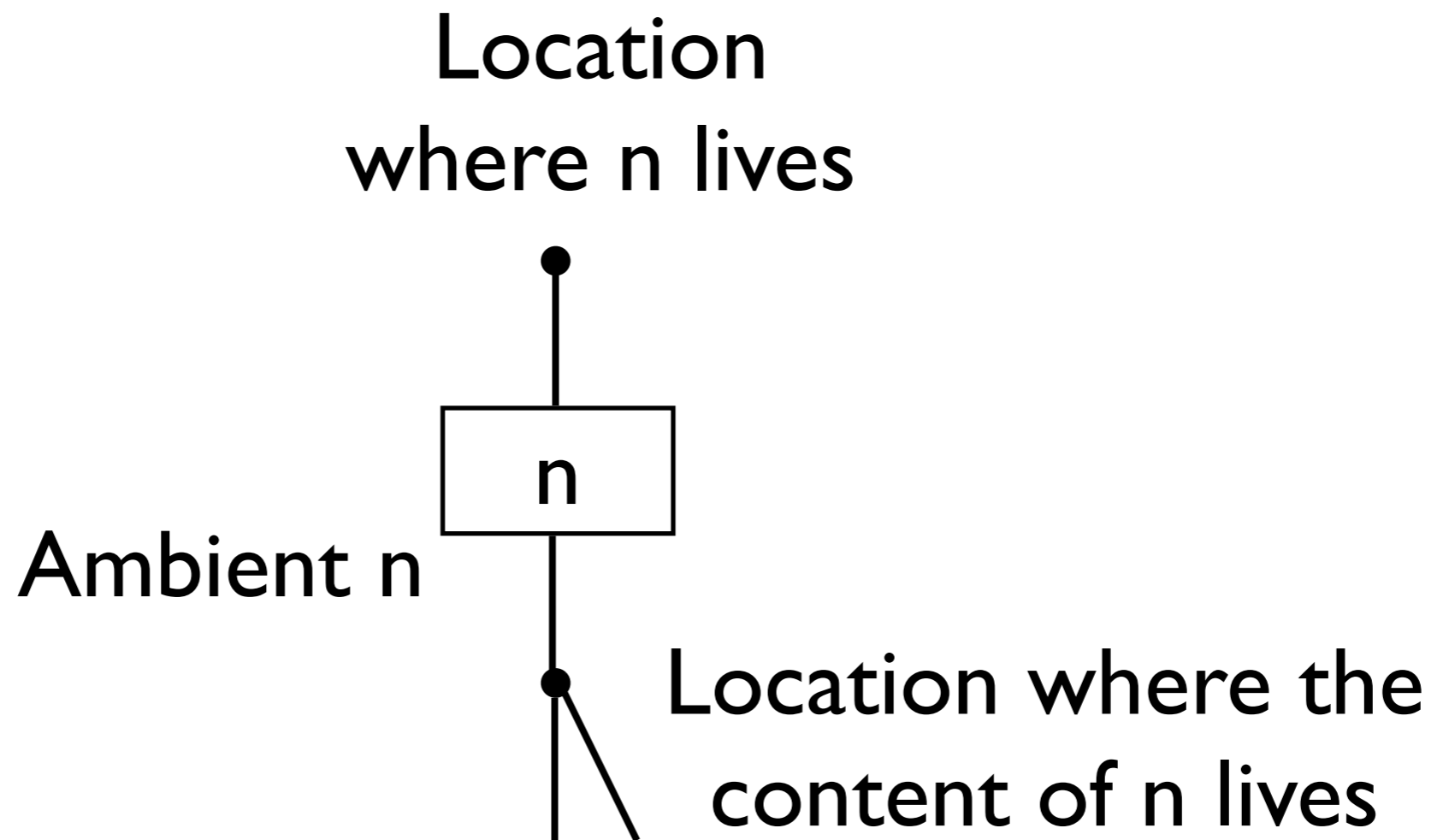
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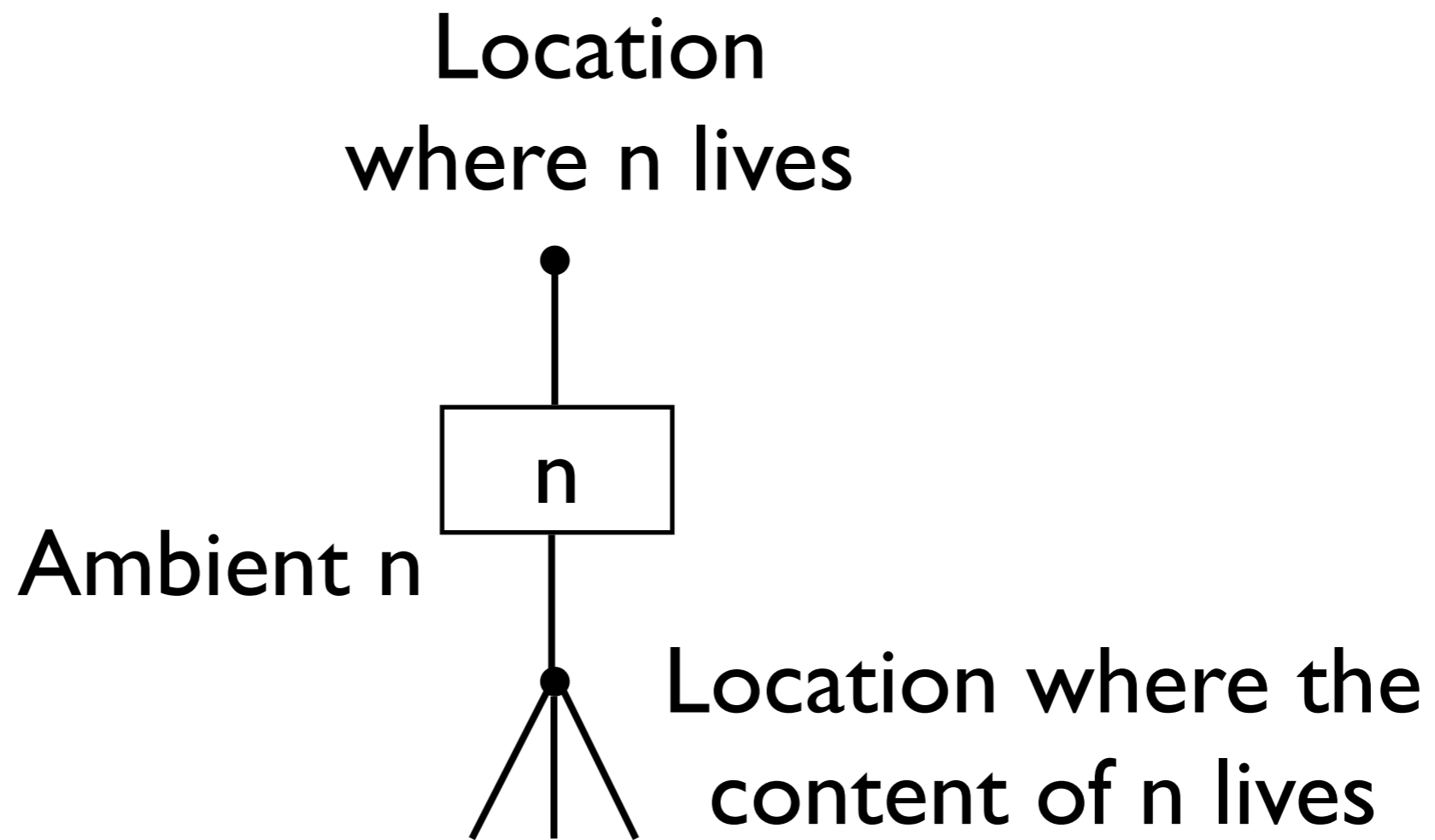
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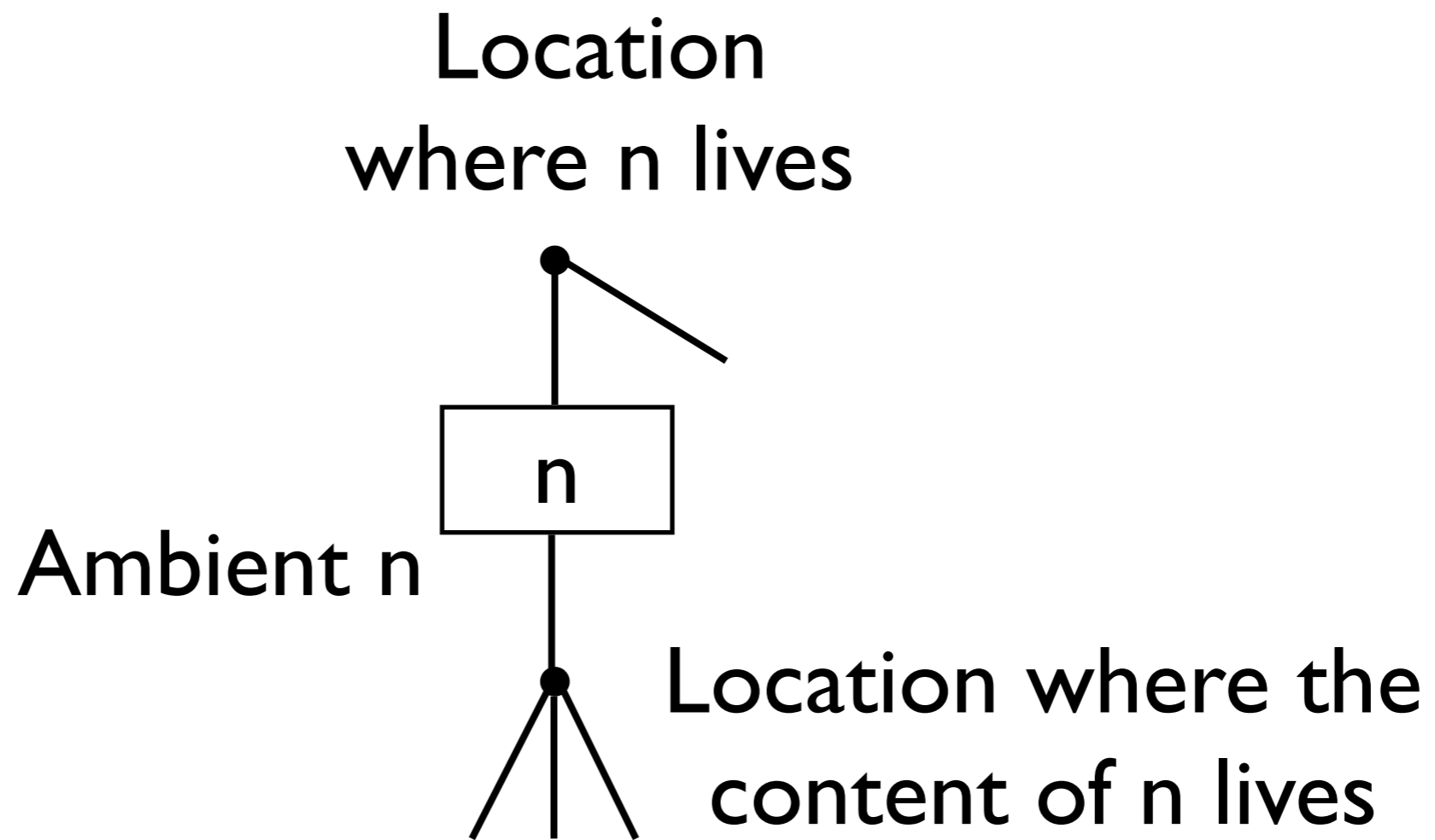
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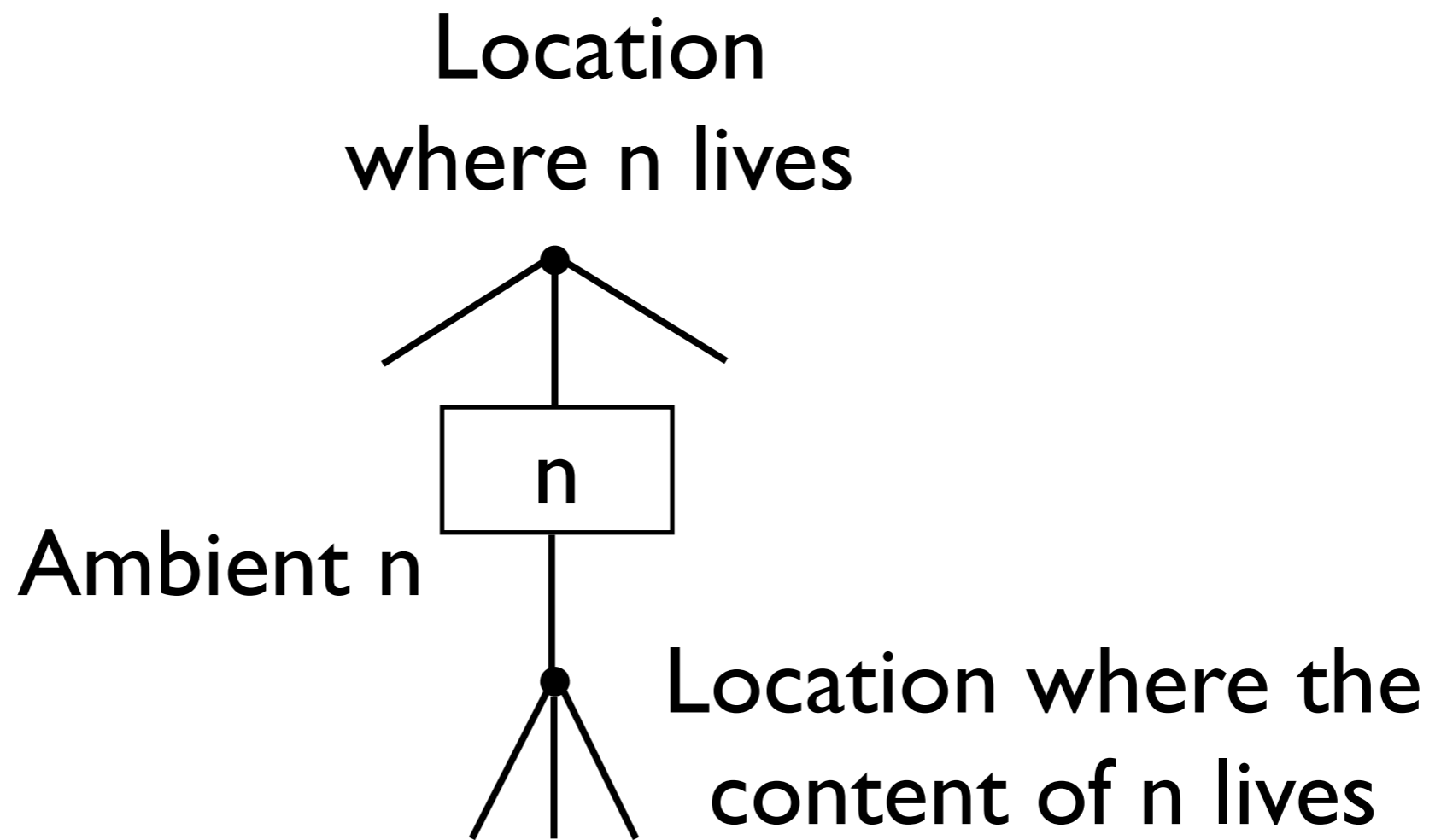
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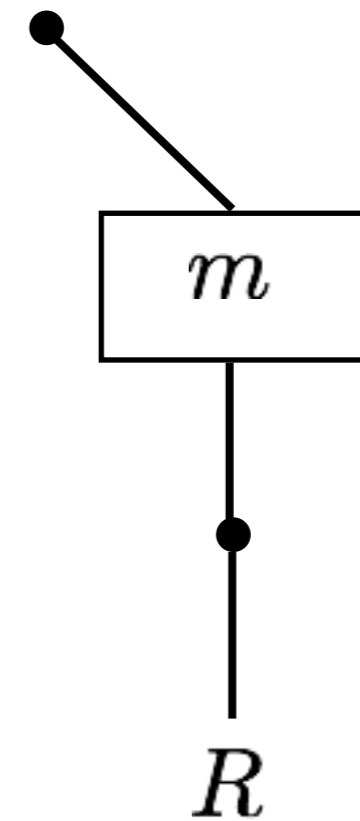
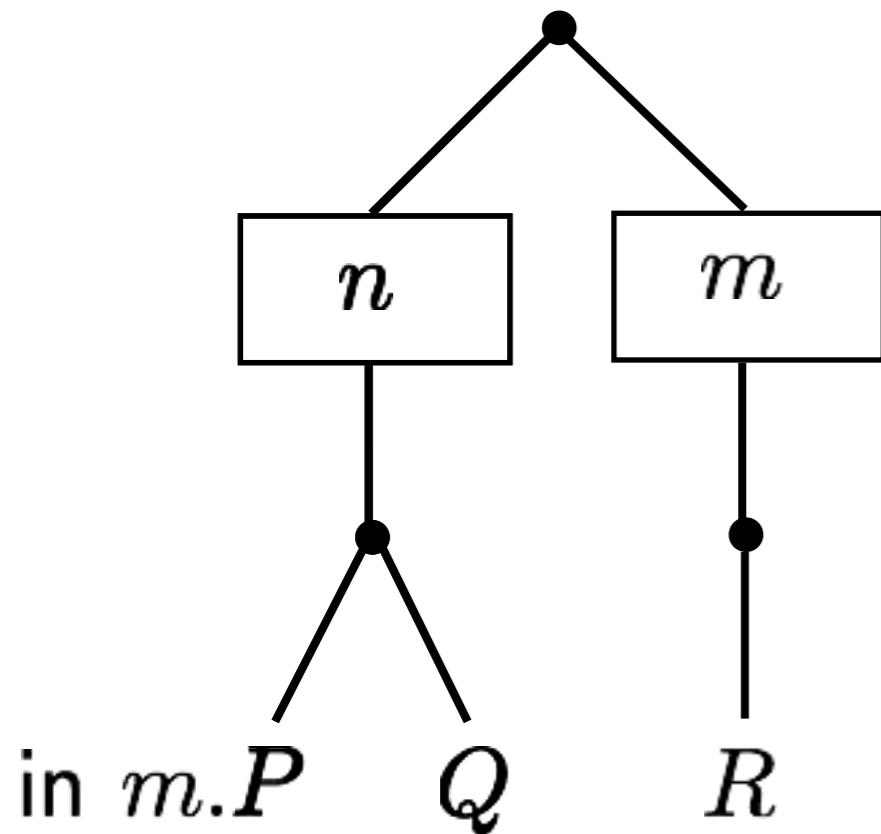
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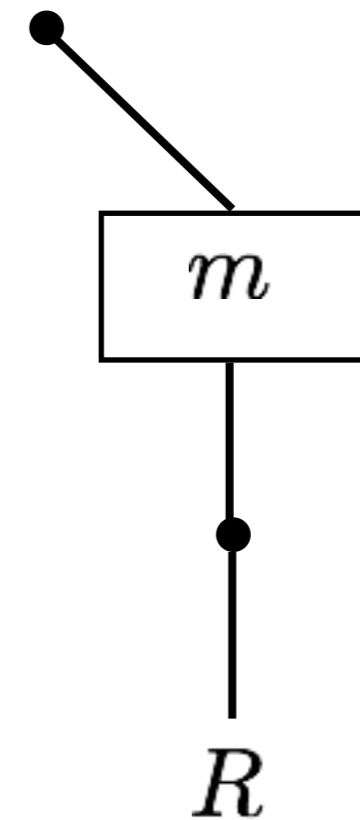
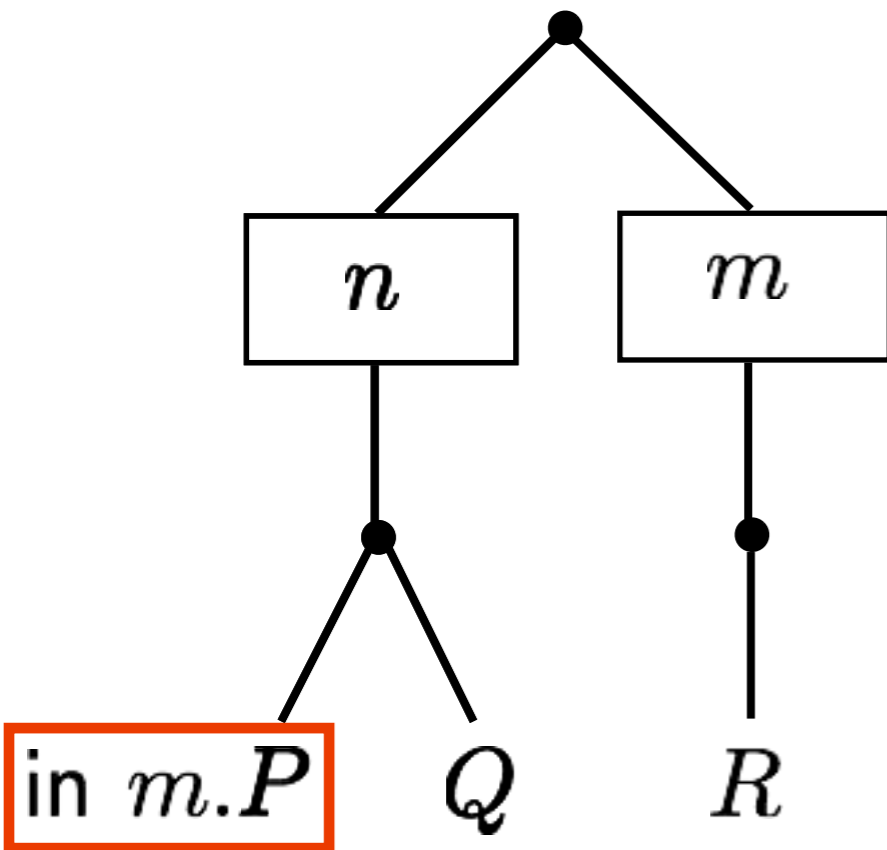


(In), again



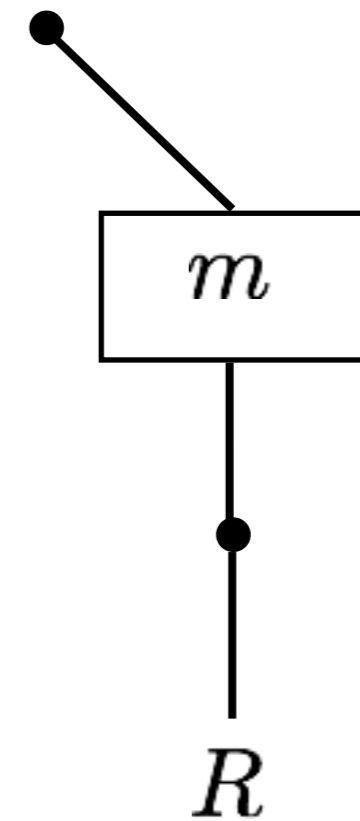
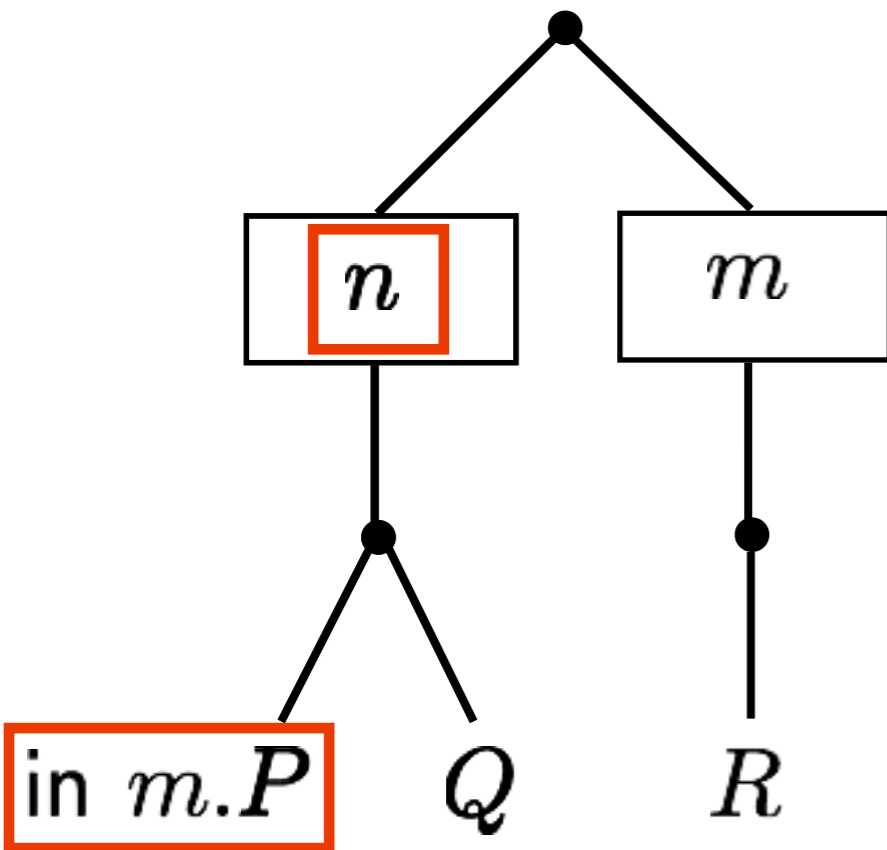
three-party interaction
(at least)

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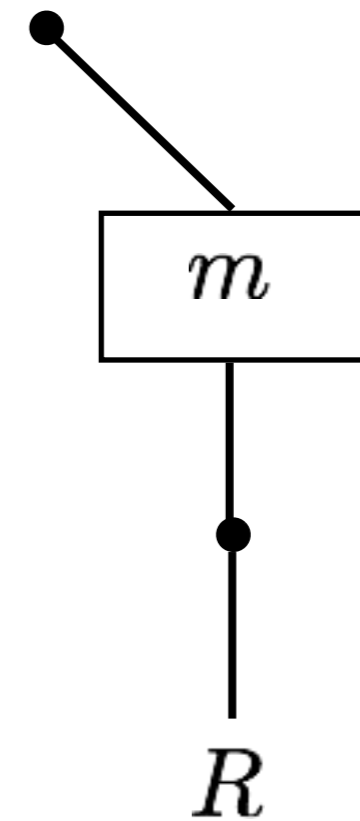
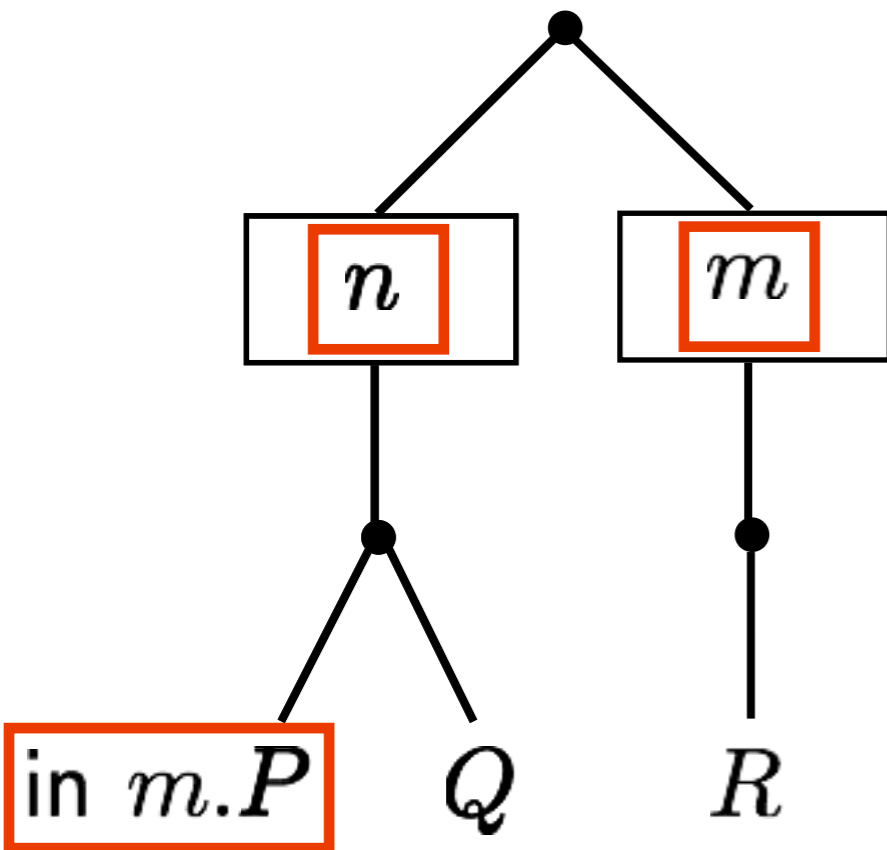
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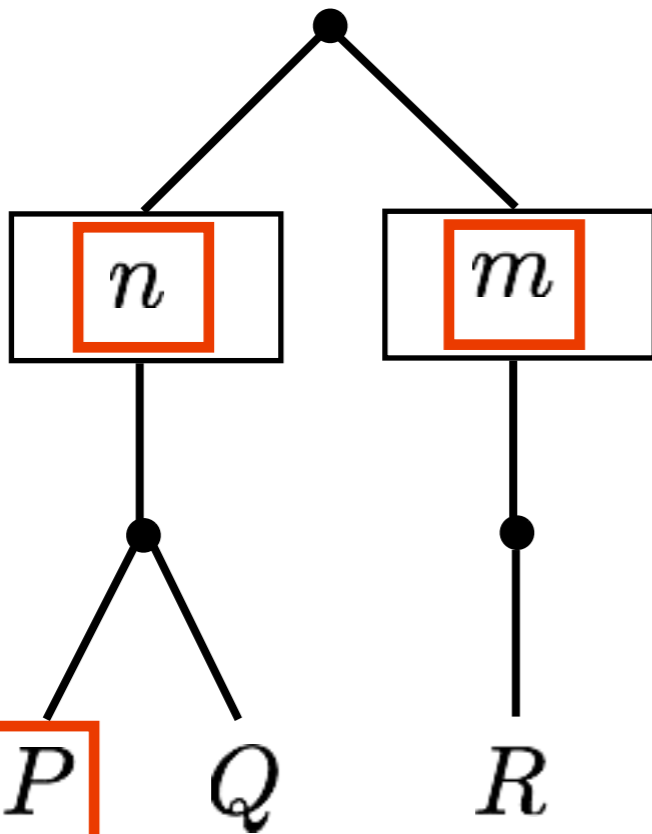
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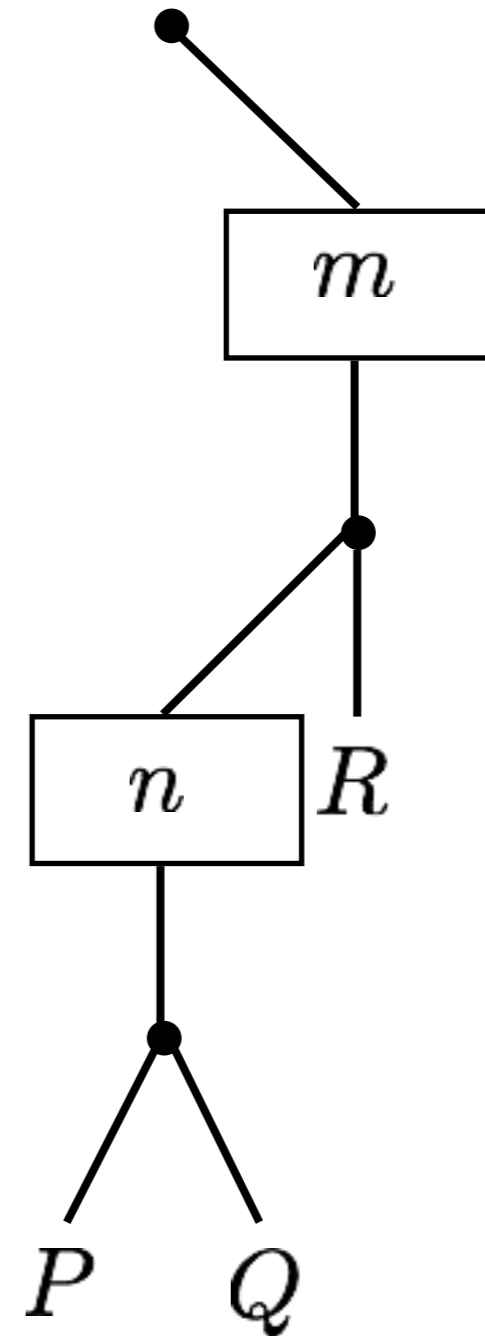


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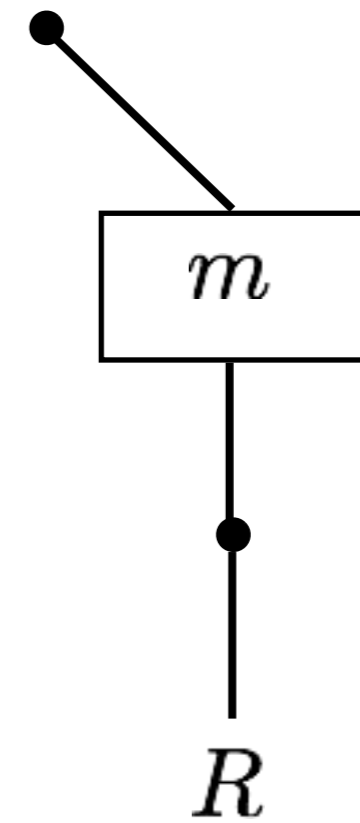
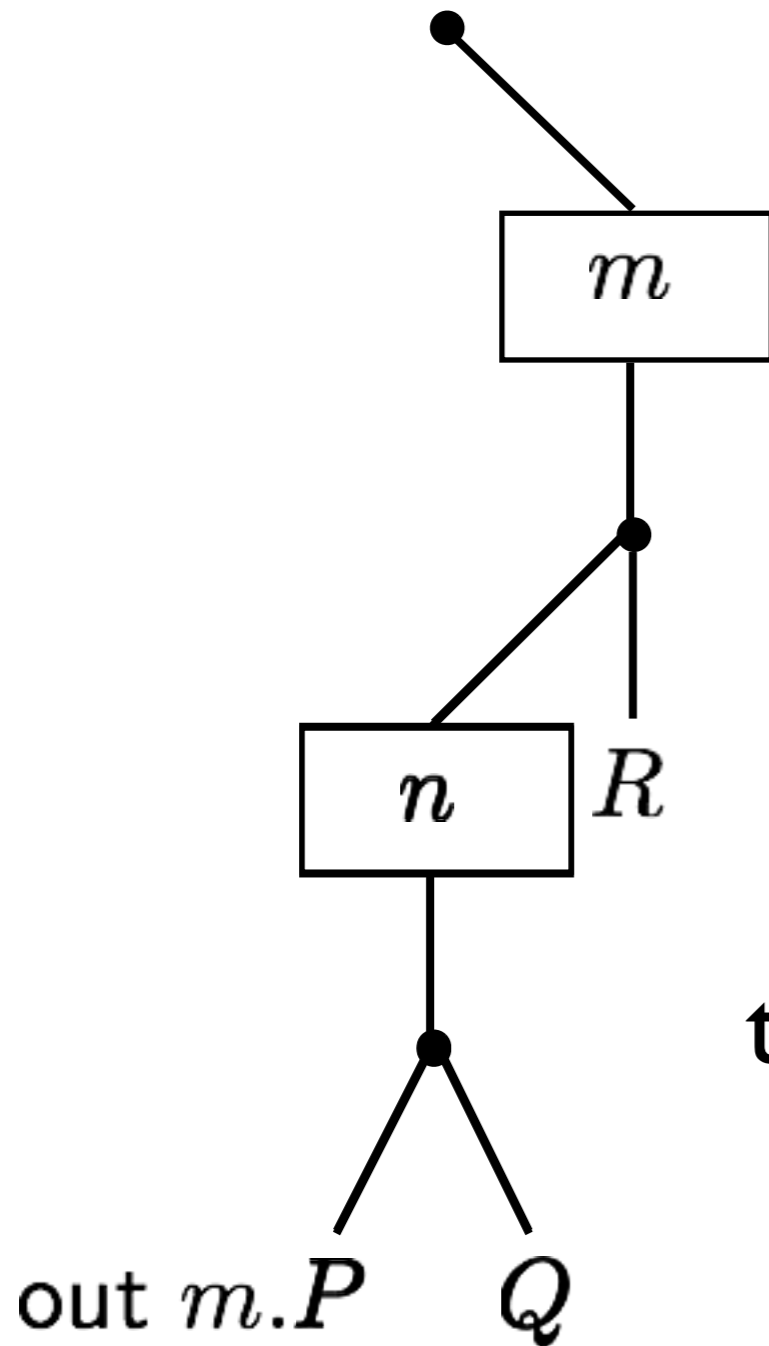
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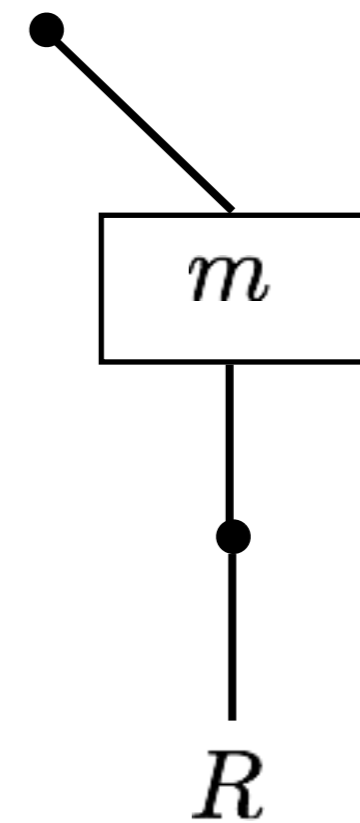
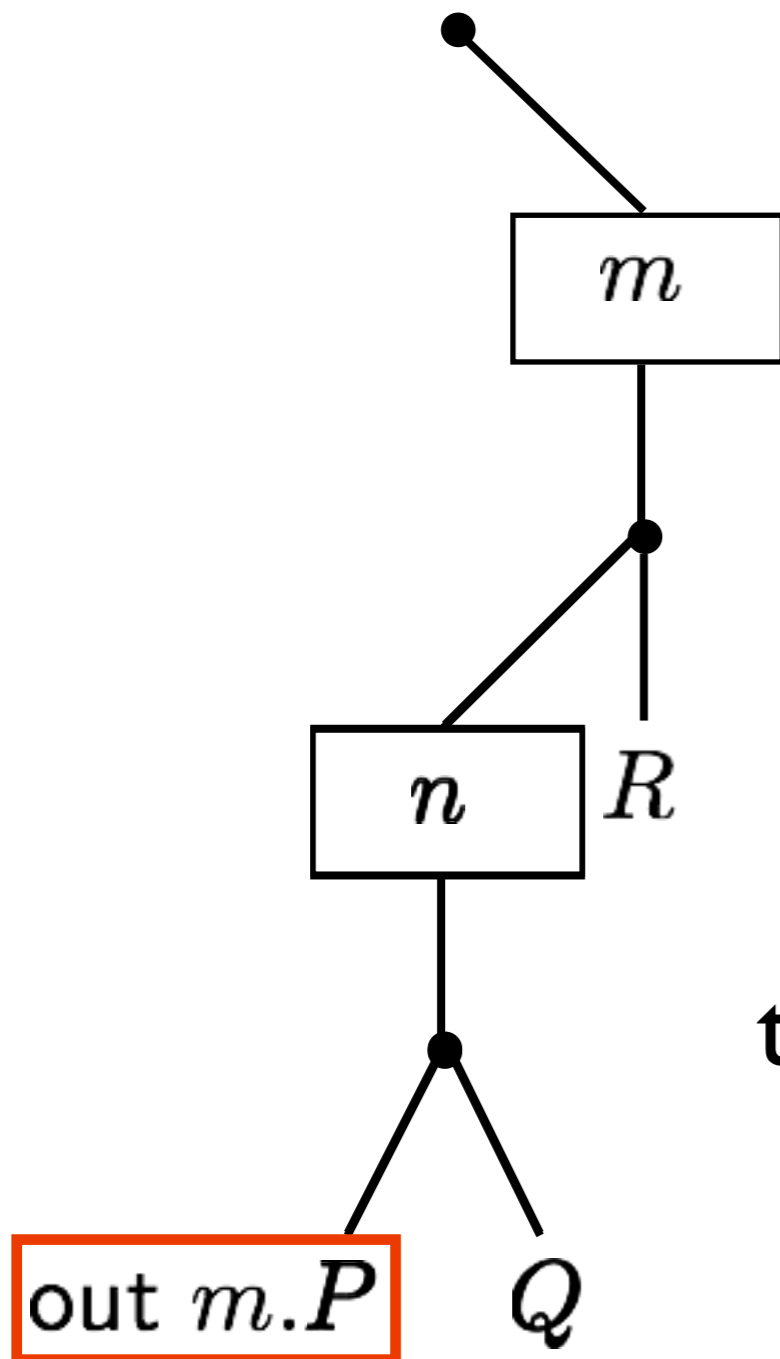


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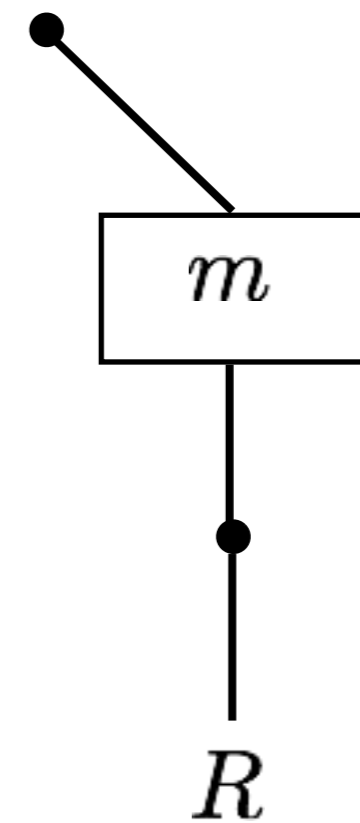
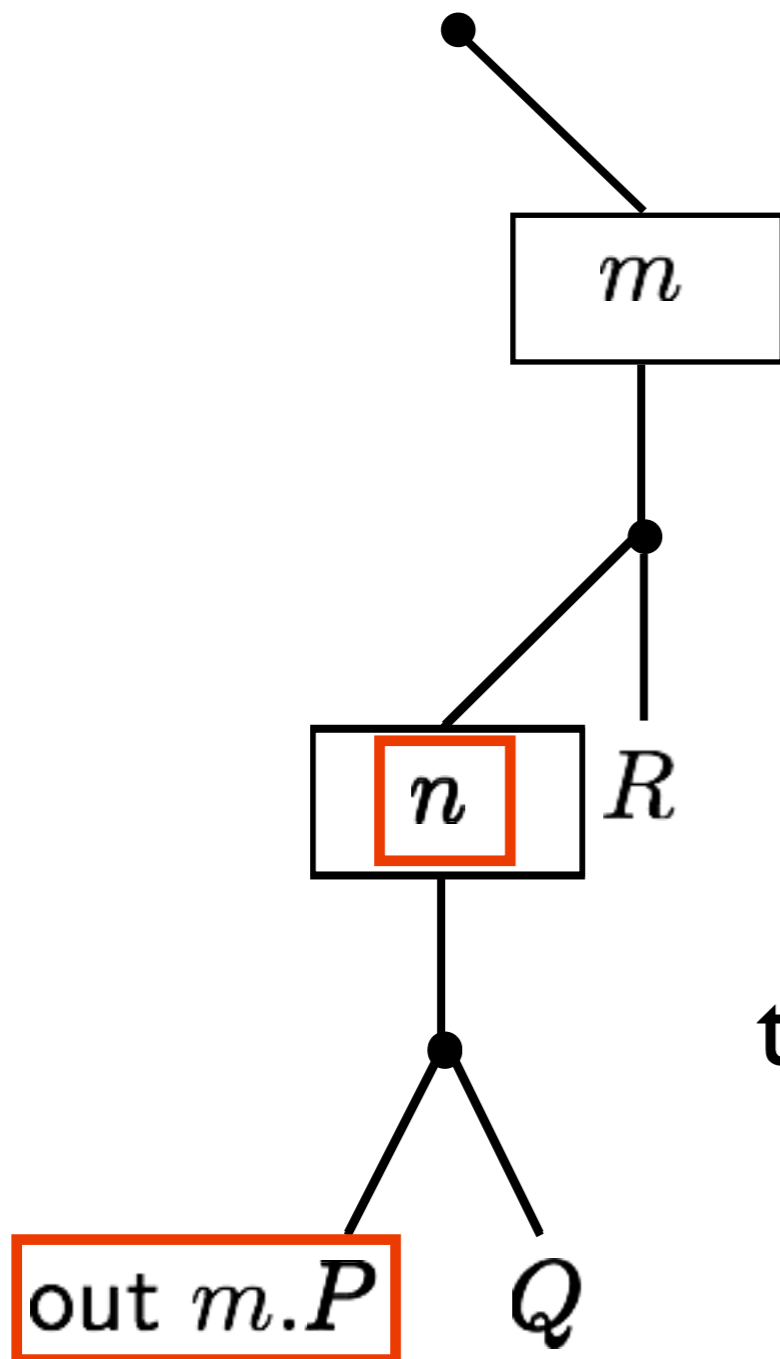
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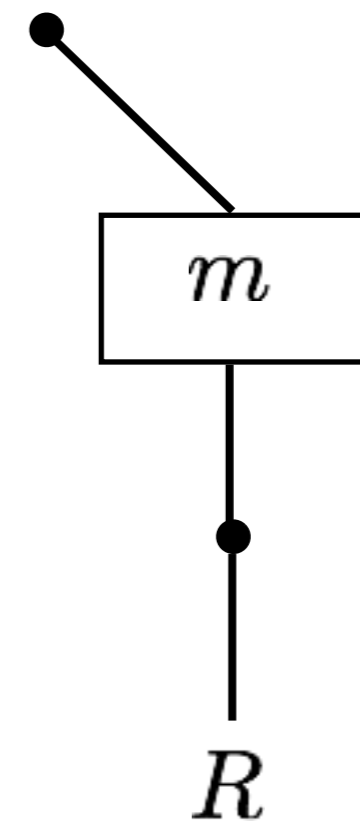
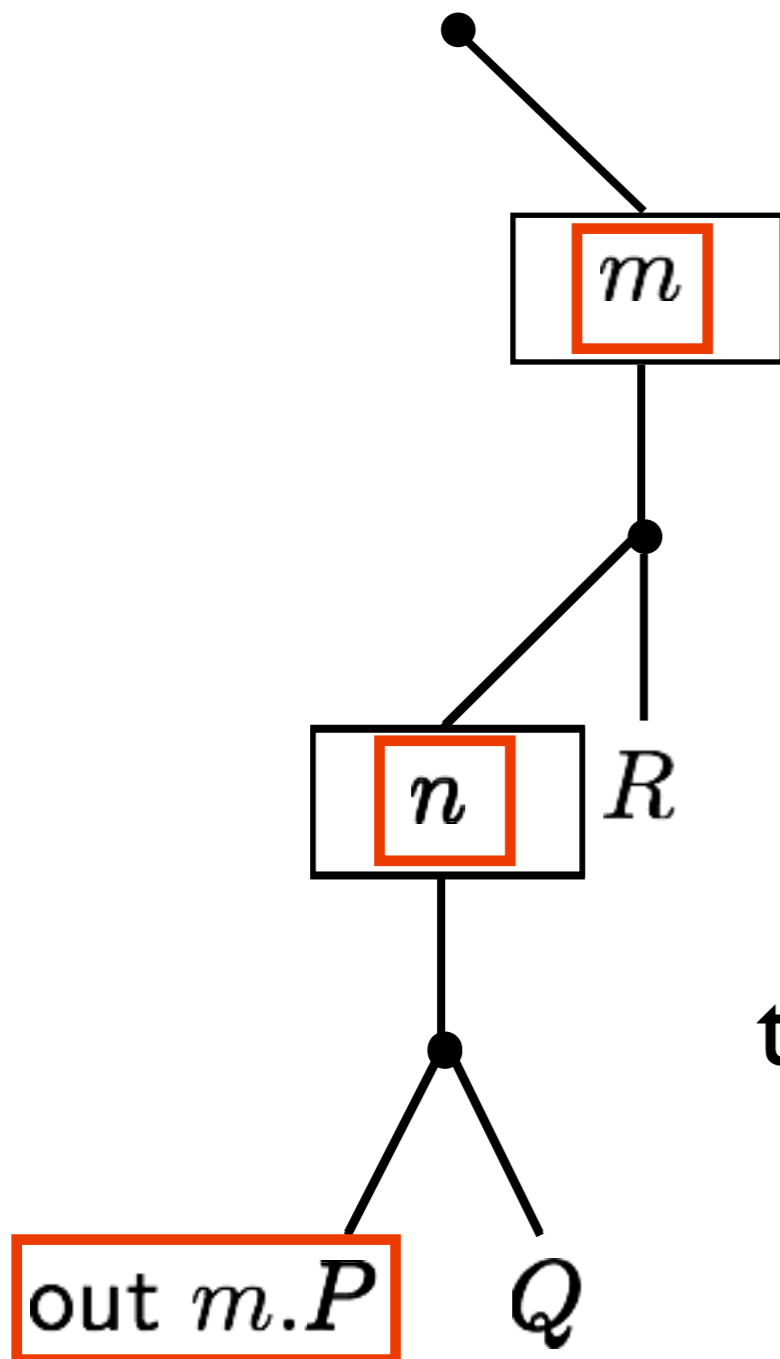
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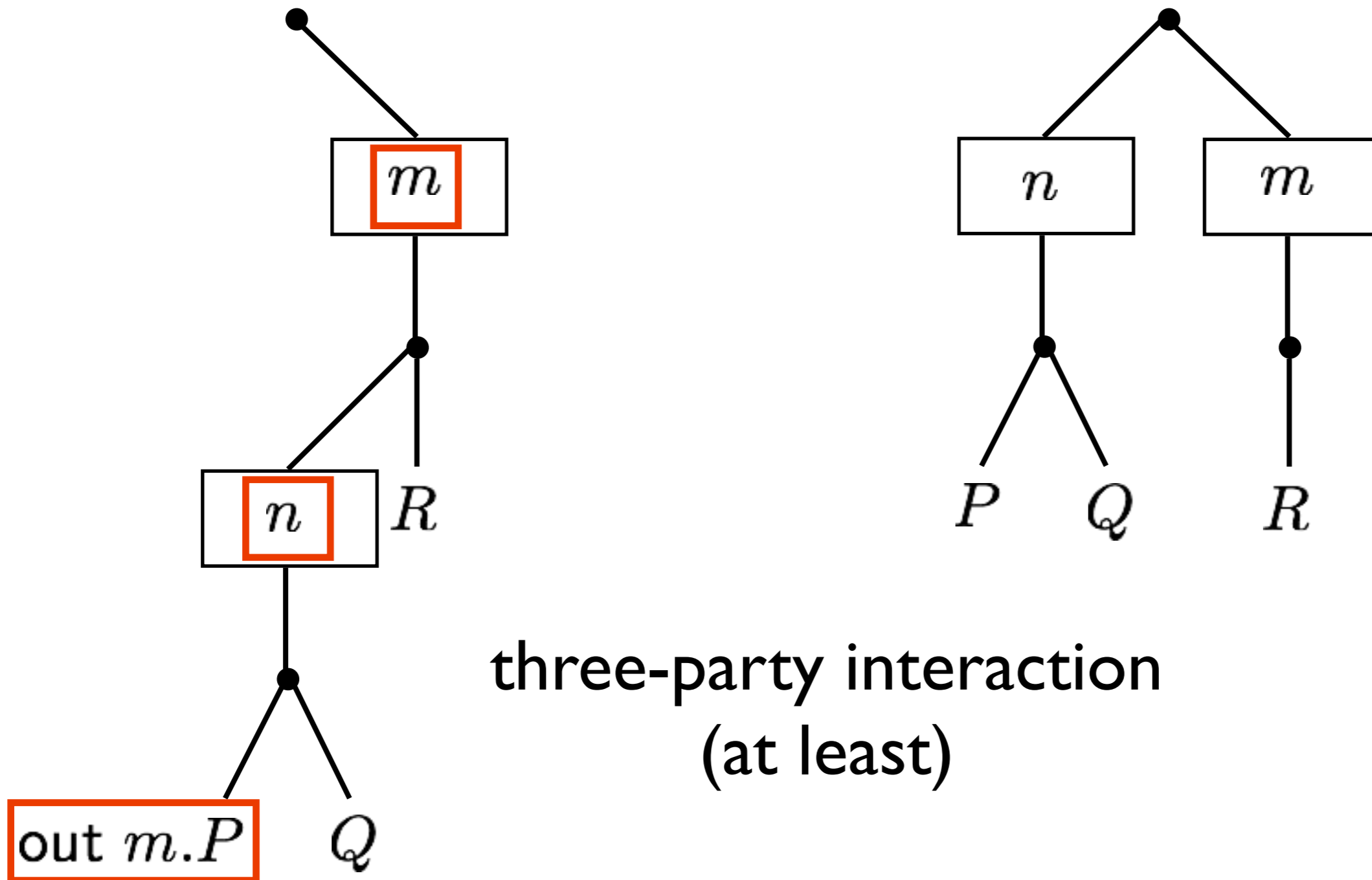
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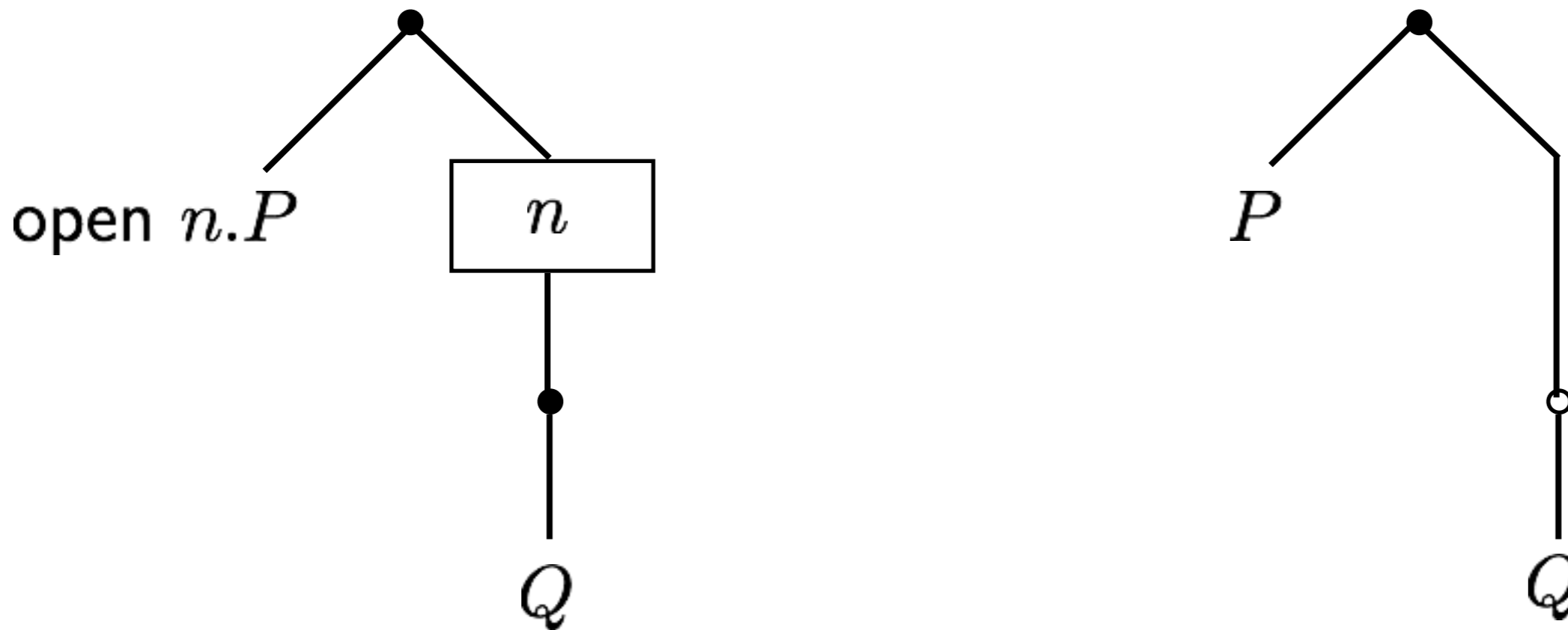
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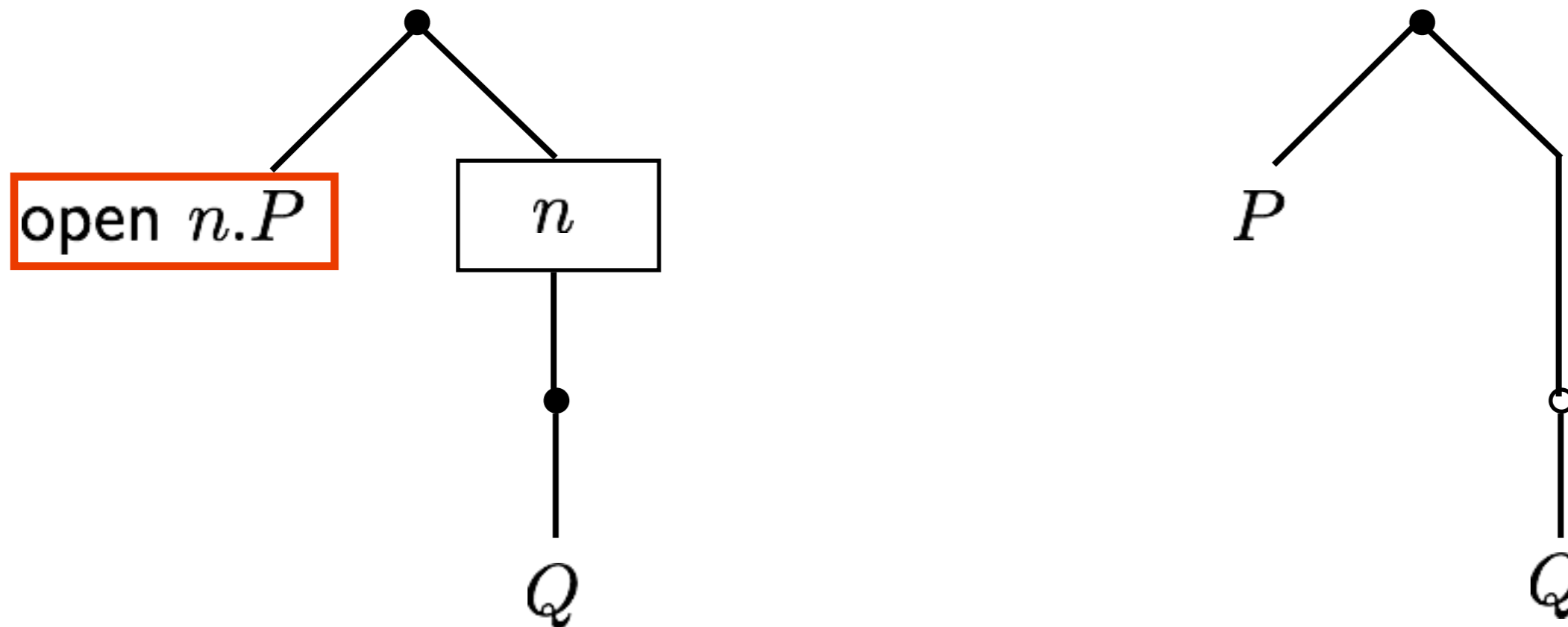


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(Open), again

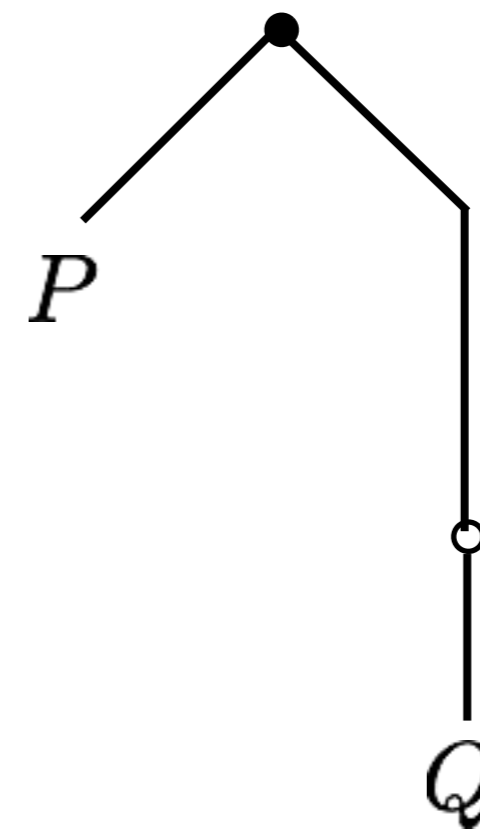
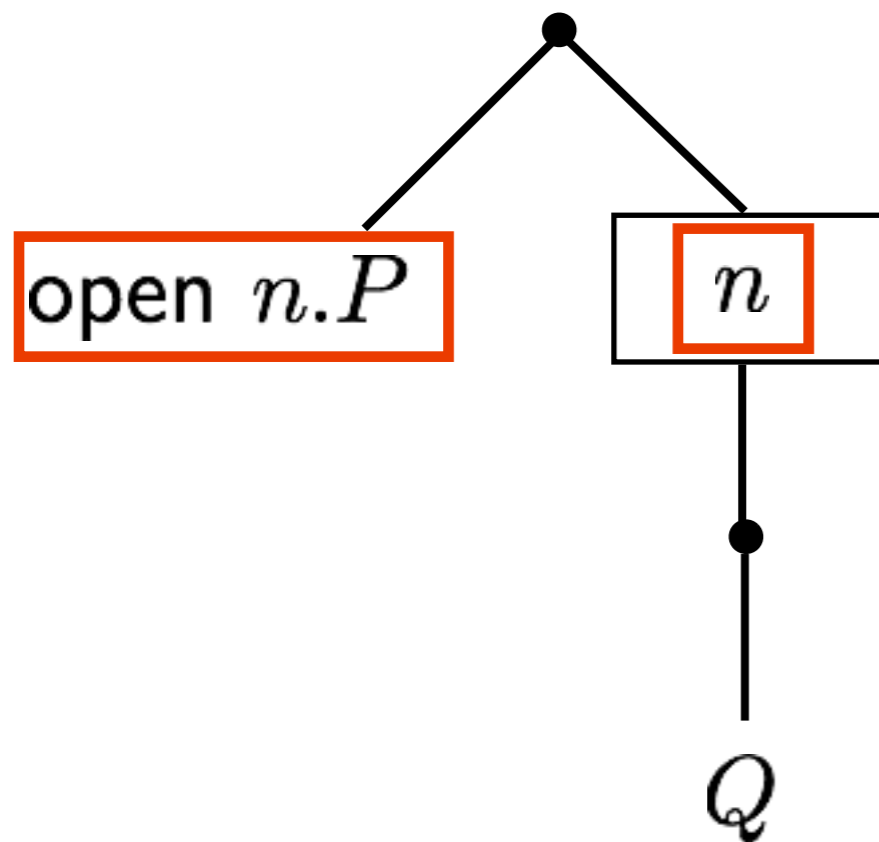


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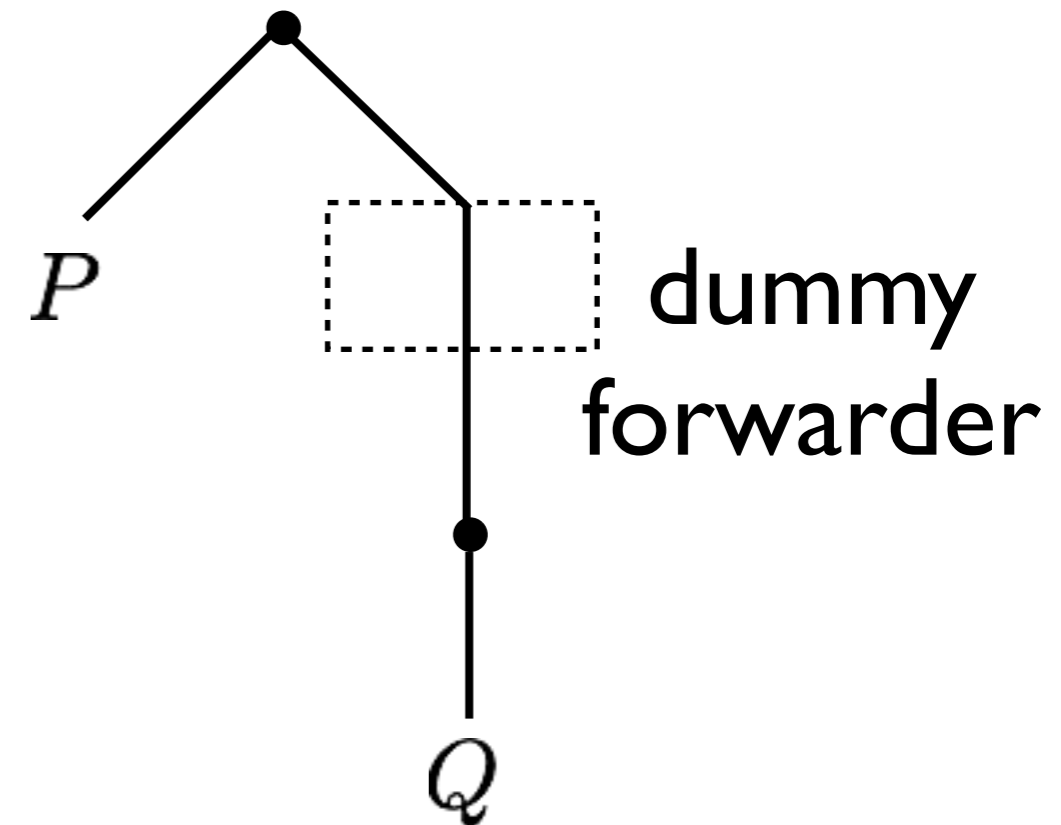
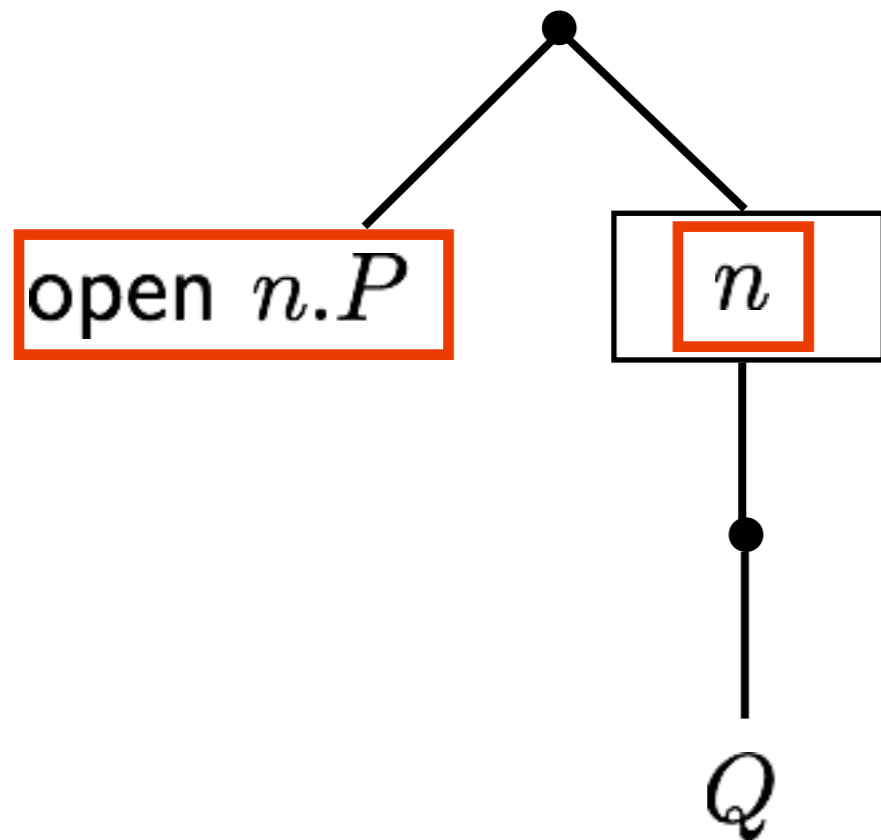


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(Open), yet another



ok, now it is a two-party interaction

But (In) and (Out) become open!

they must involve as many fwd-ers as needed

Some consequences

Proposed encodings are either quite involved
or centralized (unnecessary bottle-necks)

LTS semantics for ambients are ad-hoc
(to say the least)
and based on HO labels

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and to encode mobile ambients

Guidelines

Keep the syntax simple

Do not move the complexity to SOS rules

All we need is just a proper synchronization algebra

Linked interaction

We regard an interaction as a **chain of links**
(still a kid's puzzle after all)



Process algebra ops

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Notation

a interaction over a

τ silent interaction

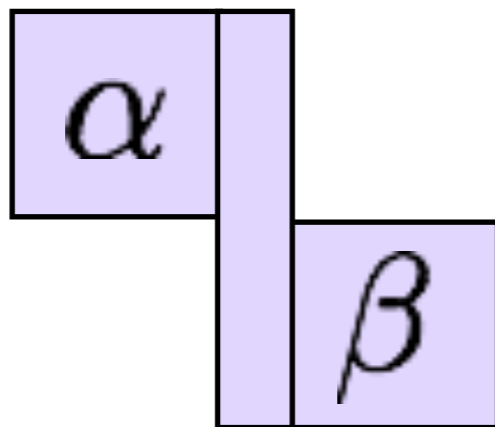
\square any interaction (only in labels)

Link

$\alpha \setminus \beta$ From α to β

Valid:

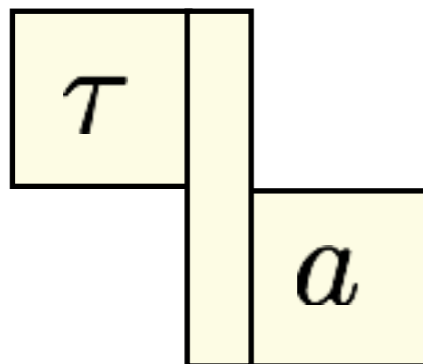
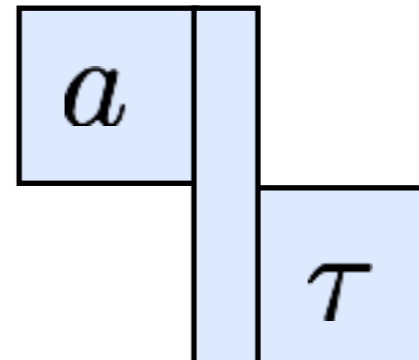
$$\alpha = \beta = \square \text{ or } \alpha, \beta \neq \square$$



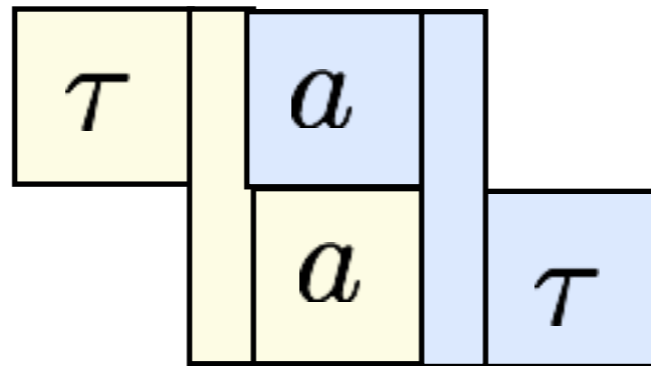
Virtual if $\square \setminus \square$

Solid (otherwise)

Examples: CCS-like

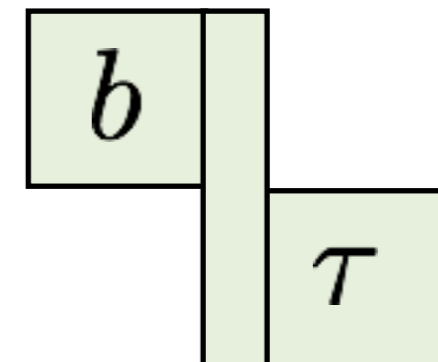
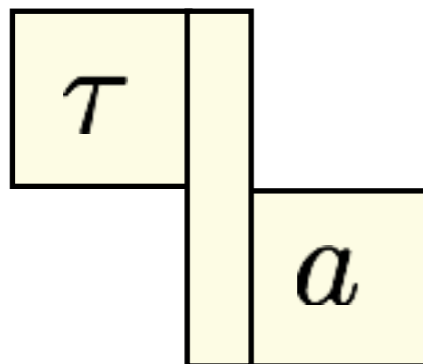
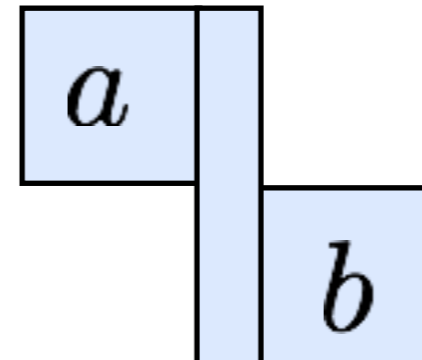


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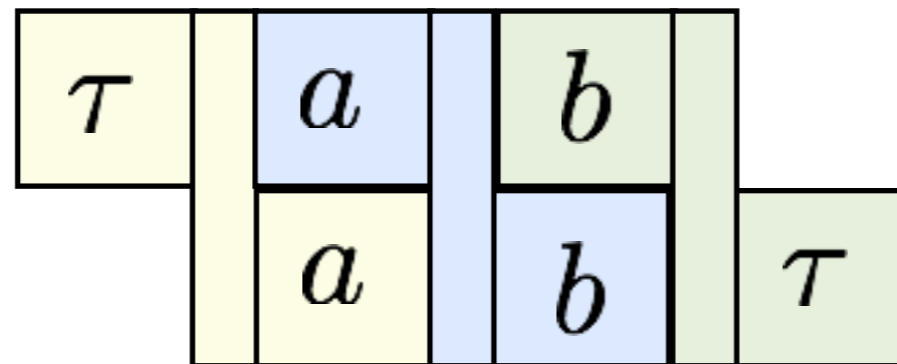
Examples: three party

Swiss-bank box

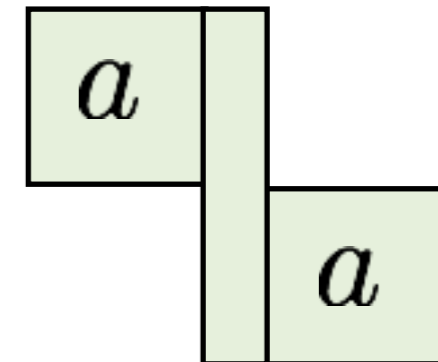
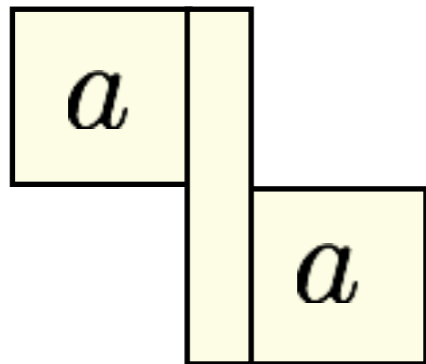
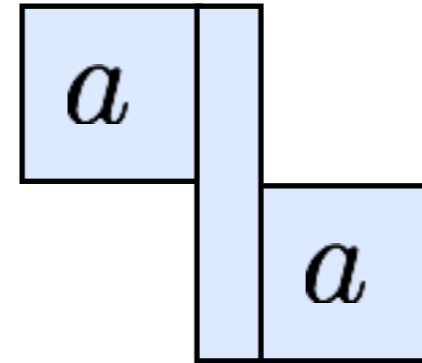


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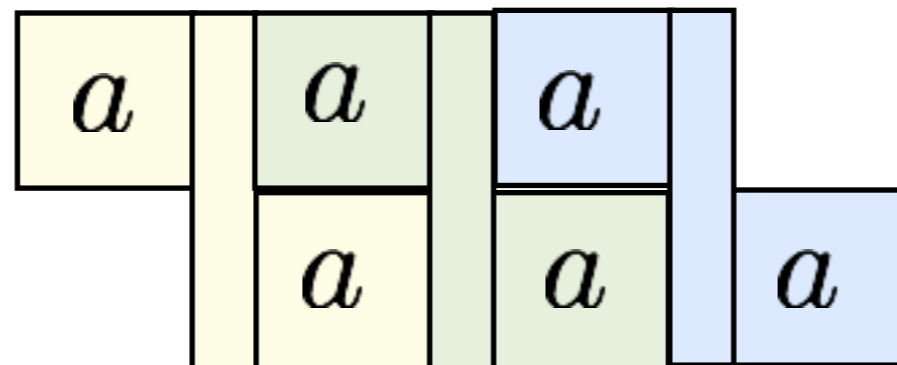
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Link chain

$$\alpha_1 \setminus \beta_1 \quad \alpha_2 \setminus \beta_2 \quad \dots \quad \alpha_n \setminus \beta_n$$

such that:

$$\beta_i, \alpha_{i+1} \notin \{\tau, \square\} \text{ implies } \beta_i = \alpha_{i+1}$$

$$\beta_i = \tau \text{ iff } \alpha_{i+1} = \tau$$

$$\forall i. \alpha_i, \beta_i \in \{\tau, \square\} \text{ implies } \forall i. \alpha_i = \beta_i = \tau$$

Link chain: terminology

$$\alpha_1 \setminus \beta_1 \quad \alpha_2 \setminus \beta_2 \quad \dots \quad \alpha_n \setminus \beta_n$$

Solid:

if all its links are so

Simple:

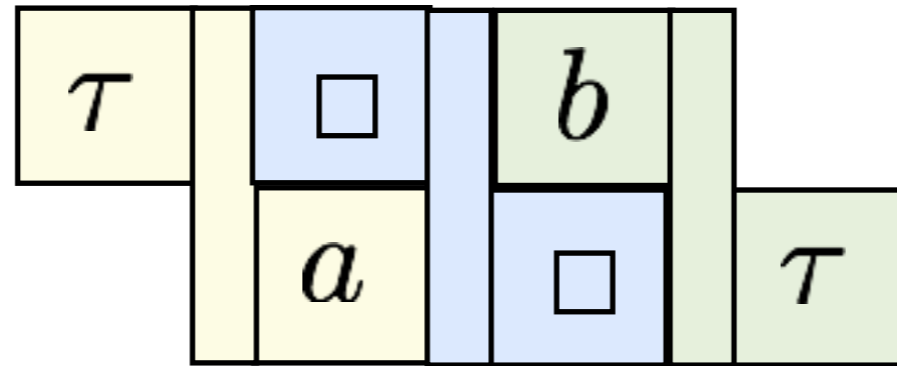
if it contains exactly one solid link

$s \bowtie \ell :$

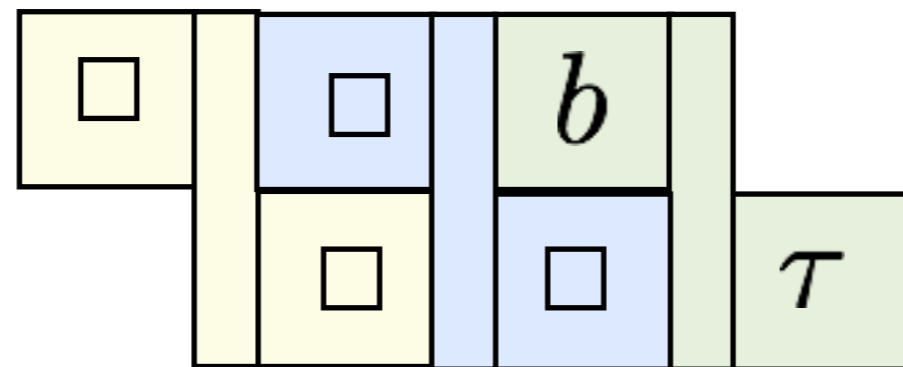
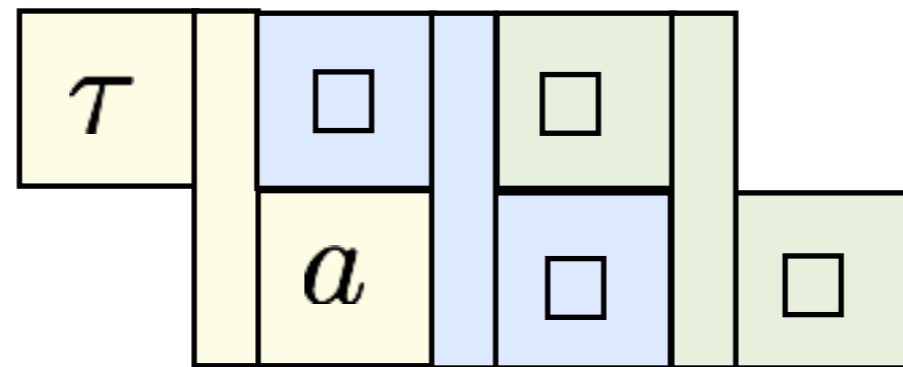
s is simple and ℓ is the only solid link in s

Examples: non solid

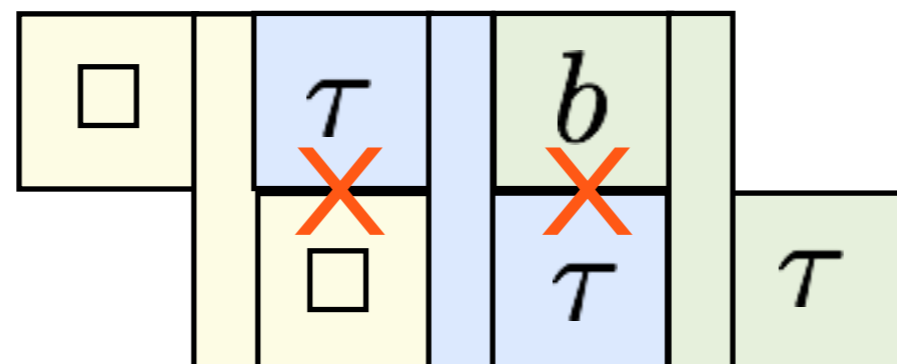
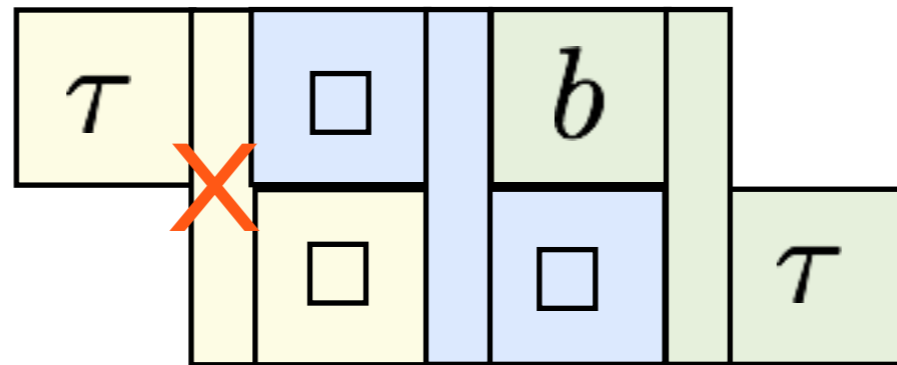
Virtual links $\square \setminus \square$
can be read as missing pieces of the puzzle



Examples: simple



Counter-examples



(Relevant) SOS rules

$$\frac{s \bowtie l}{l.P \xrightarrow{s} P} \text{ (Act)}$$

equivalence relation

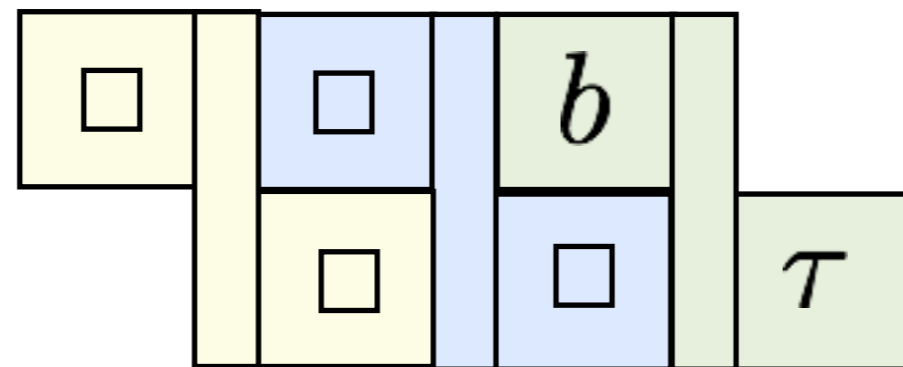
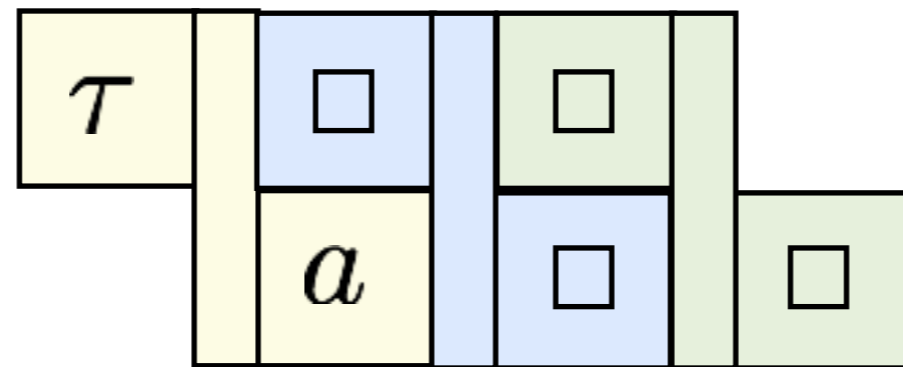
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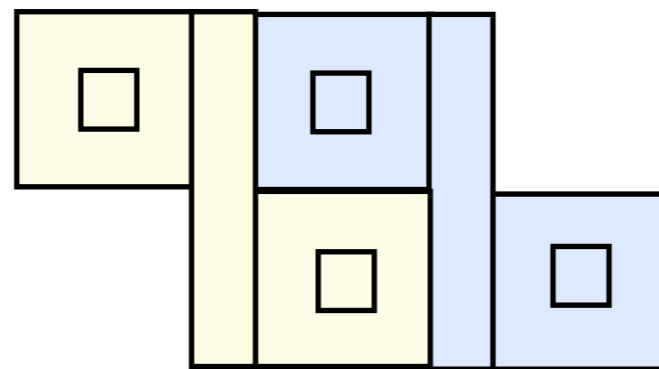
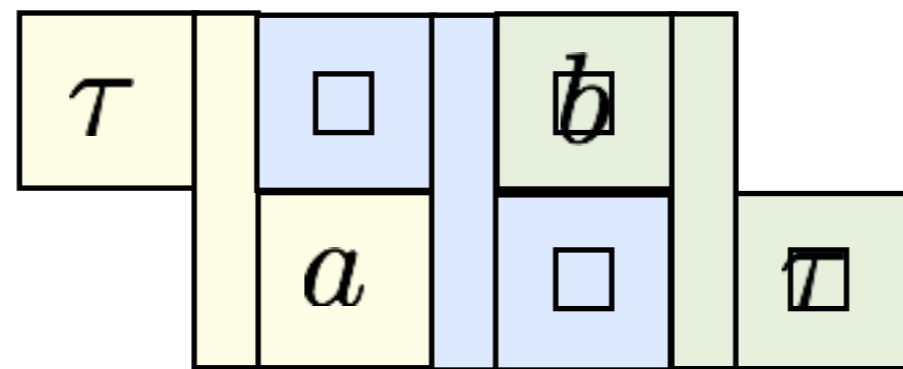
$$s_1 \square \square \square \square \bowtie s_1 \square \square s_2$$

$$s_1^\alpha \square \square \square \square \bowtie s_1^\alpha \square \square \square \square$$

Examples: merge



Examples: merge



Merge

(All the ops we show are strict)

$$\alpha \setminus_{\beta} \alpha_1 \setminus_{\beta_1} \alpha_2 \cdots \setminus_{\alpha_{n-1}} \beta_{n-1} \setminus_{\alpha_n} \bullet \alpha' \setminus_{\beta'} \alpha'_1 \setminus_{\beta'_1} \alpha'_2 \cdots \setminus_{\alpha'_{n-1}} \beta_{n-1} \setminus_{\alpha'_n}$$

$$\alpha \setminus_{\beta} \bullet \alpha' \setminus_{\beta'} \triangleq \begin{cases} (\alpha \bullet \alpha') \setminus_{(\beta \bullet \beta')} & \text{if } \alpha \bullet \alpha', \beta \bullet \beta' \neq \perp \\ \perp & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha \bullet \beta \triangleq \begin{cases} \alpha & \text{if } \beta = \square \\ \beta & \text{if } \alpha = \square \end{cases}$$

The definition extends to chains element-wise
(the result is undefined if the outcome is not valid)

Restriction

matched action

$$(\nu a)(\alpha_1 \setminus \beta_1 \ \alpha_2 \setminus \beta_2 \ \dots \ \alpha_n \setminus \beta_n)$$

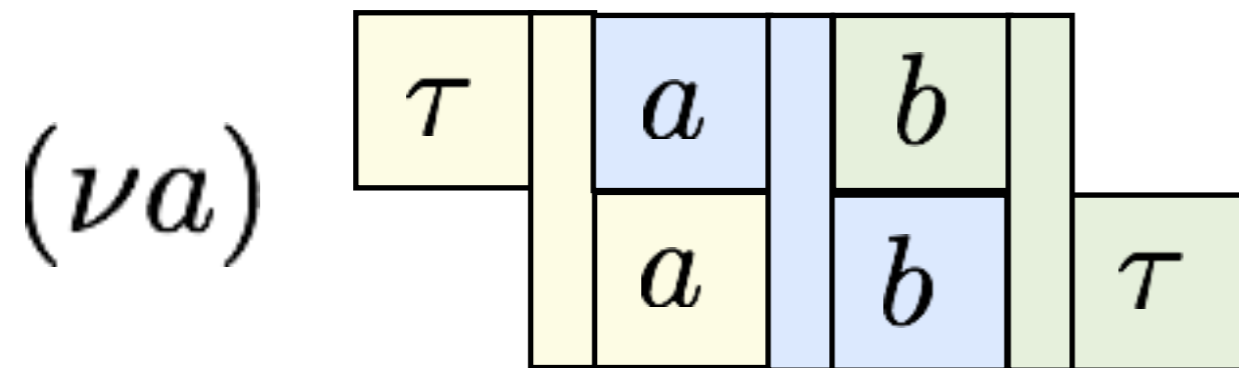
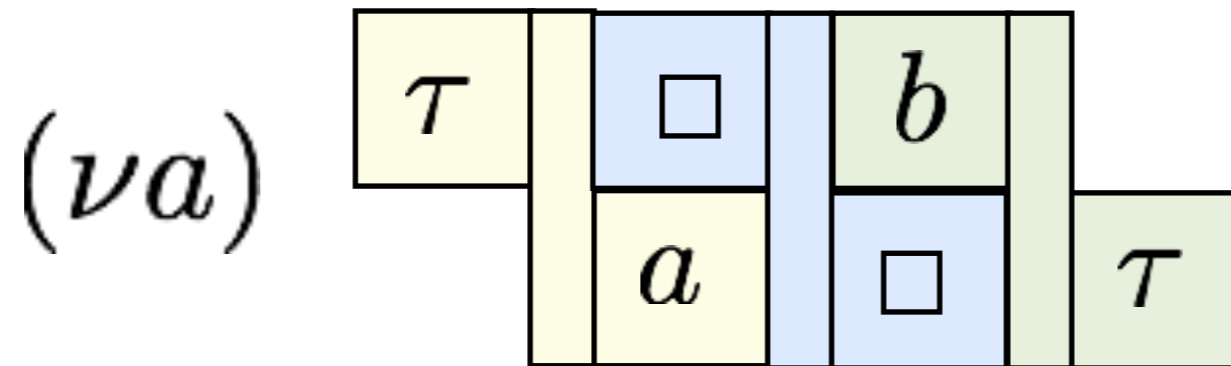
1. $a \neq \alpha_1, \beta_n$, and
2. for any $i \in [1, n - 1]$, either $\beta_i = \alpha_{i+1} = a$ or $\beta_i, \alpha_{i+1} \neq a$.

restriction

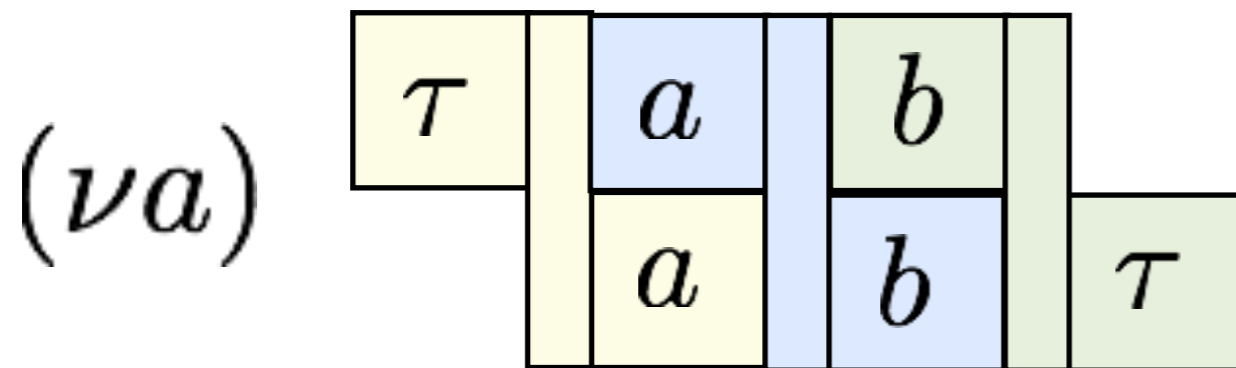
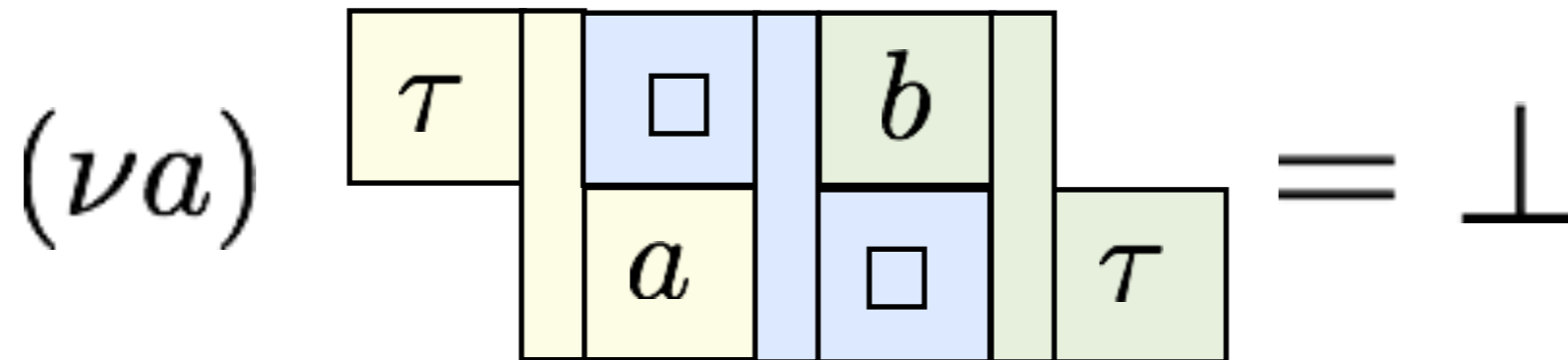
$$(\nu a)(\alpha_1 \setminus \beta_1 \ \alpha_2 \setminus \beta_2 \ \dots \ \alpha_n \setminus \beta_n) \triangleq ((\nu a)\alpha) \setminus ((\nu a)\beta)$$

$$(\nu a)\alpha \triangleq \begin{cases} \tau & \text{if } \alpha = a \\ \alpha & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

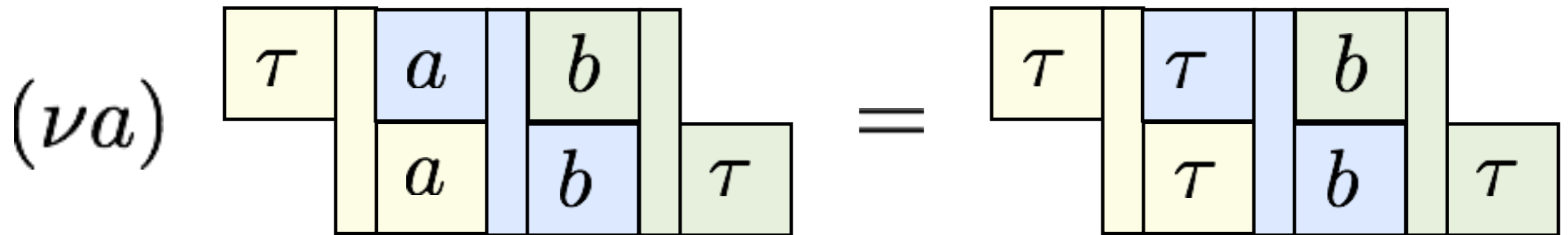
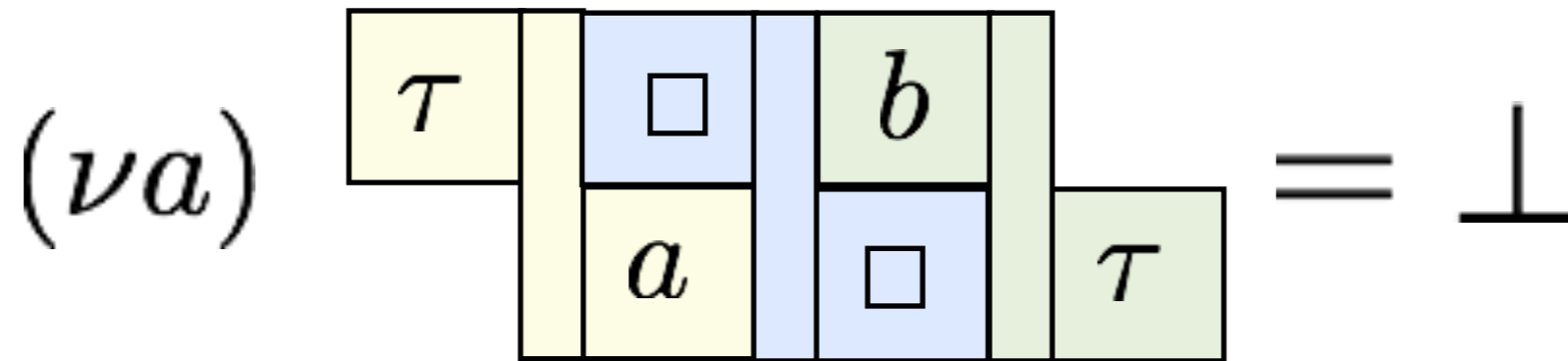
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(Relevant) SOS rules

$$\frac{s \bowtie l}{l.P \xrightarrow{s} P} \text{ (Act)}$$

equivalence relation

$$s \square \square \bowtie s$$

$$\square \square \bowtie s$$

$$s_1 \square \square \square \square \bowtie s_1 \square \square s_2$$

$$s_1^\alpha \square \square \square \square \bowtie s_1^\alpha \square \square \square \square$$

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$$\frac{s \blacktriangleleft \ell}{\ell.P \xrightarrow{s} P} \text{ (Act)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{s} P'}{(\nu a)P \xrightarrow{(\nu a)s} (\nu a)P'} \text{ (Res)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{s} P'}{P|Q \xrightarrow{s} P'|Q} \text{ (Lpar)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{s} P' \quad Q \xrightarrow{s'} Q'}{P|Q \xrightarrow{s \bullet s'} P'|Q'} \text{ (Com)}$$

(look as ordinary CCS rules)

Example

$$P = \tau \backslash_a . P_1 \mid (\nu b) Q \quad \text{and} \quad Q = b \backslash_\tau . P_2 \mid a \backslash_b$$

$$b \backslash_\tau . P_2 \xrightarrow{\square \backslash \square \backslash b \backslash_\tau} P_2$$

$$a \backslash_b . \mathbf{0} \xrightarrow{\square \backslash a \backslash \square \backslash b \backslash \square} \mathbf{0}$$

$$Q \xrightarrow{\square \backslash a \backslash b \backslash_\tau} P_2 \mid \mathbf{0}$$

$$\tau \backslash_a . P_1 \xrightarrow{\tau \backslash a \backslash \square \backslash \square \backslash \square} P_1$$

$$(\nu b) Q \xrightarrow{\square \backslash a \backslash \tau \backslash_\tau} (\nu b) (P_2 \mid \mathbf{0})$$

$$P \xrightarrow{\tau \backslash a \backslash \tau \backslash_\tau} P_1 \mid (\nu b) (P_2 \mid \mathbf{0})$$

Fact

The process algebra of linked interactions
is a straightforward extension of CCS
It includes CCS as a sub-calculus

Finer (bisimilarity over the) LTS wrt CCS:
three kinds of meaningful observables

$$\tau \setminus a$$

$$\tau \setminus a \square \square \setminus \square b \setminus \tau$$

$$b \setminus \tau$$

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Name mobility

Ready to handle mobile ambients interactions

but we need to update locations of processes
when ambient moves

some form of name mobility is needed

Handling name mobility

Aim: introduce polyadic communication and reuse/rely on pi as much as possible

One possibility: $a(\tilde{x}) \setminus_{b\tilde{y}}.P$

each link receive some arguments and send some names... too complex

Another possibility: $a \setminus_{b\tilde{x}}.P$

each link in the chain carry the same list of arguments... but with different (send/receive) capabilities

Separation of concerns

$$P, Q ::= \dots \mid \ell t.P$$

This way we separate
the interaction mechanism ℓ
from
the name passing mechanism t

(We formalize them separately and
then fit them together)

No need to reinvent the wheel

We can easily borrow from pi the name handling machinery (and free it from dyadic interaction legacy)

$P \mid a(x).Q$ (waits input from P) $P' \mid Q[b/x]$

$P \mid \bar{a}x.Q$ (outputs to P) $P' \mid Q$

$P \mid (\nu x)\bar{a}x.Q$ (extrudes to P) $(\nu y)P' \mid Q[y/x]$

Tuple

$$t = \langle \tilde{w} \rangle \quad w ::= \begin{array}{l} x \quad \text{value (output)} \\ \underline{x} \quad \text{variable (input)} \end{array}$$

variables are instantiated by values

values are used for matching arguments

$$\langle n, m, \underline{x} \rangle$$

$$\downarrow \quad = \quad \uparrow$$

$$\langle \underline{y}, m, k \rangle$$

Assigns n to y
Matches m with m
Assigns k to x

Extrusion

an argument in a tuple can be extruded if it is not already annotated

extruded arguments are overlined with a hat

$$(\nu a)(sg) \triangleq ((\nu a)s)((\nu a)g)$$

$$(\nu a)\langle w_1, \dots, w_n \rangle \triangleq \langle (\nu a)w_1, \dots, (\nu a)w_n \rangle$$

$$(\nu a)w \triangleq \begin{cases} w & \text{if } w \neq a, \hat{a}, \underline{a} \\ \hat{a} & \text{if } w = a \end{cases}$$

Merge

$$sg \bullet s'g' \triangleq (s \bullet s')(g \bullet g')$$

$$\langle \tilde{w} \rangle \bullet \langle \tilde{u} \rangle \triangleq \langle w_1 \bullet u_1, \dots, w_n \bullet u_n \rangle$$

$$w \bullet u \triangleq \begin{cases} w & \text{if } (w = u = v) \vee (w = u = \underline{v}) \\ v & \text{if } (w = v \wedge u = \underline{v}) \vee (w = \underline{v} \wedge u = v) \\ \hat{v} & \text{if } (w = \hat{v} \wedge u = \underline{v}) \vee (w = \underline{v} \wedge u = \hat{v}) \end{cases}$$

(Relevant) SOS rules

variables are replaced
by actual parameters

$$\frac{\ell \blacktriangleleft s \quad g \preceq_{\sigma} t}{\ell t.P \xrightarrow{sg} P\sigma} \text{ (Act)}$$

(a appears in g)

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{sg} P' \quad a \notin g}{(\nu a)P \xrightarrow{(\nu a)sg} (\nu a)P'} \text{ (Res)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{sg} P' \quad a \in g}{(\nu a)P \xrightarrow{(\nu a)sg} P'} \text{ (Open)}$$

(analogous to (**early**) pi rules)

(Relevant) SOS rules

(extruded names of g)

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{sg} P' \quad ex(g) \# fn(Q)}{P|Q \xrightarrow{sg} P'|Q} \text{ (Lpar)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{sg} P' \quad Q \xrightarrow{s'g'} Q' \quad \begin{array}{l} ex(g) \# fn(Q) \\ ex(g') \# fn(P) \end{array} \quad s \bullet s' \text{ is not solid}}{P|Q \xrightarrow{sg \bullet s'g'} P'|Q'} \text{ (Com)}$$

$$\frac{P \xrightarrow{sg} P' \quad Q \xrightarrow{s'g'} Q' \quad \begin{array}{l} ex(g) \# fn(Q) \\ ex(g') \# fn(P) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} s \bullet s' \text{ is solid} \\ g \bullet g' \text{ is ground} \end{array}}{P|Q \xrightarrow{s \bullet s'} (\nu ex(g \bullet g'))(P'|Q')} \text{ (Close)}$$

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The process calculus of linked interactions with name mobility is a straightforward extension of π
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Finer (bisimilarity over the) LTS wrt π
(but it is a congruence)

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Encoding mobile ambients

$[P]_{\tilde{a}}$

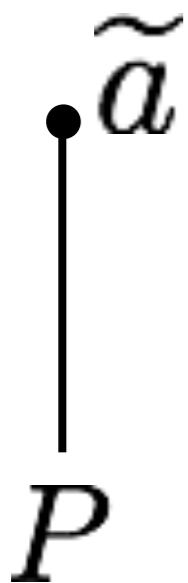
a_{in} requests from in capability

$a_{[in]}$ requests from an ambient
with in capability inside

a_{out} requests from out capability

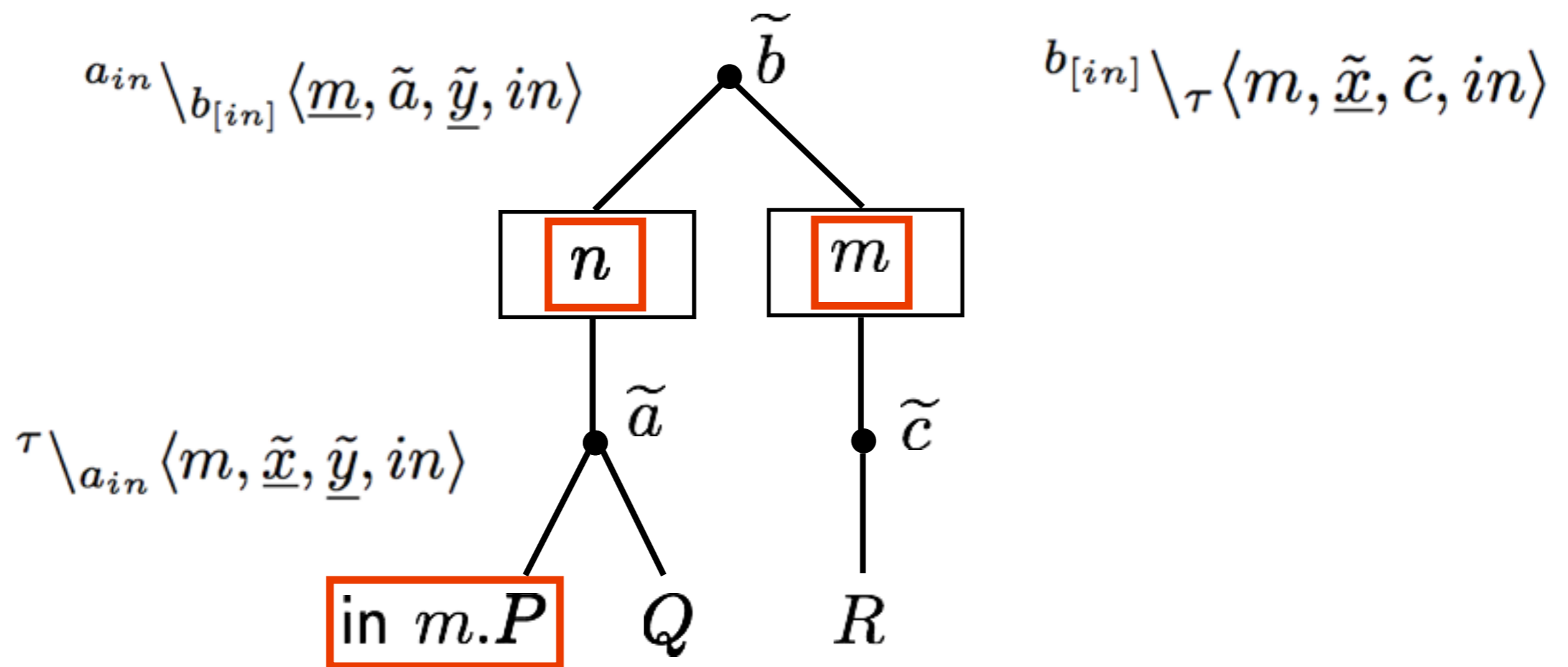
$a_{[out]}$ requests from an ambient
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a_{opn} requests from open capability



Sketch of the idea

$$\tau \setminus \begin{matrix} a_{in} \\ a_{in} \end{matrix} \setminus \begin{matrix} b_{[in]} \\ b_{[in]} \end{matrix} \setminus_{\tau} \langle m, \tilde{a}, \tilde{c}, in \rangle$$



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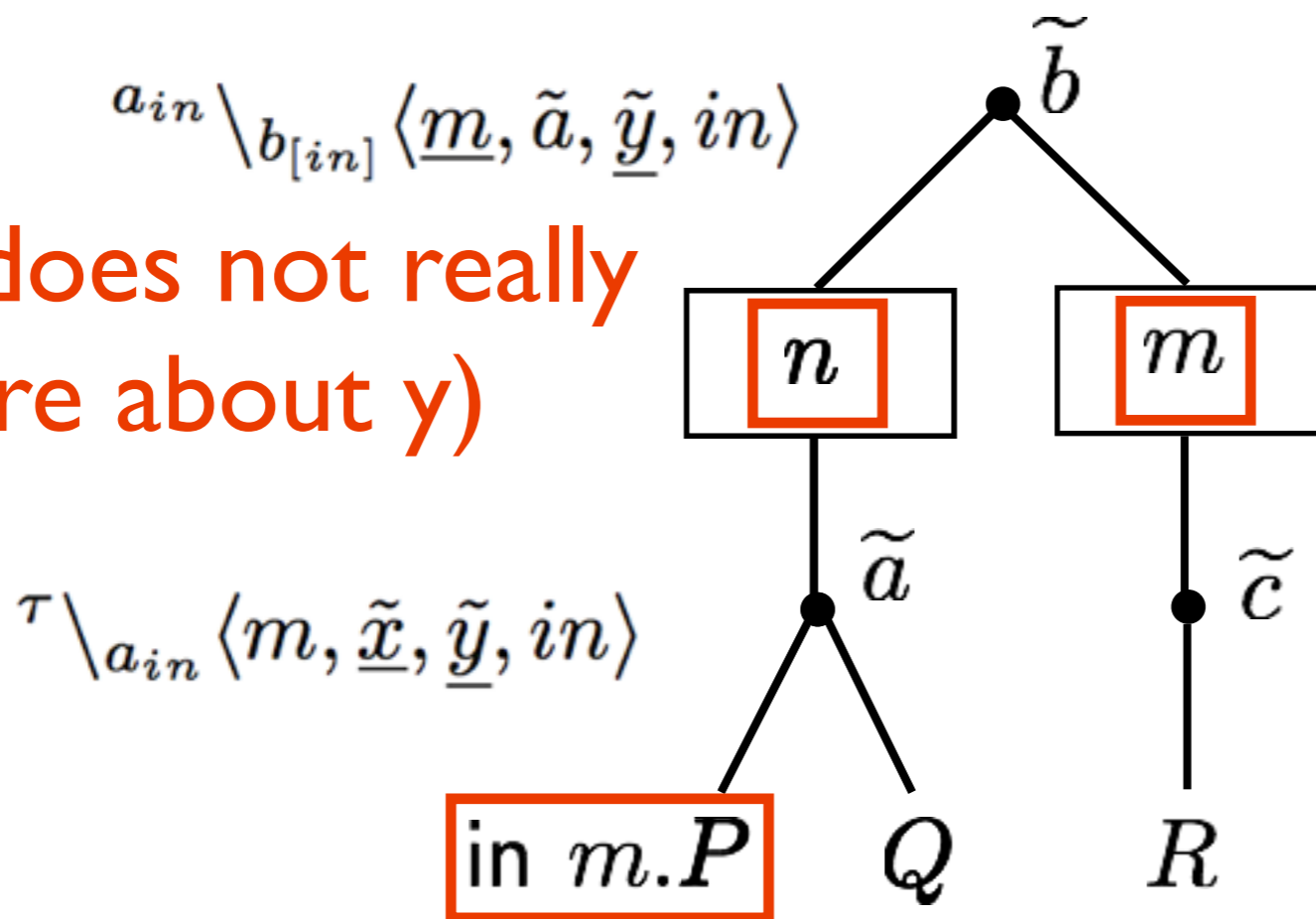
$$\tau \setminus a_{in} \setminus b_{[in]} \setminus \tau \langle m, \tilde{a}, \tilde{c}, in \rangle$$

$$a_{in} \setminus b_{[in]} \langle \underline{m}, \tilde{a}, \underline{y}, in \rangle$$

$$b_{[in]} \setminus \tau \langle m, \underline{x}, \tilde{c}, in \rangle$$

(n[] does not really care about y)

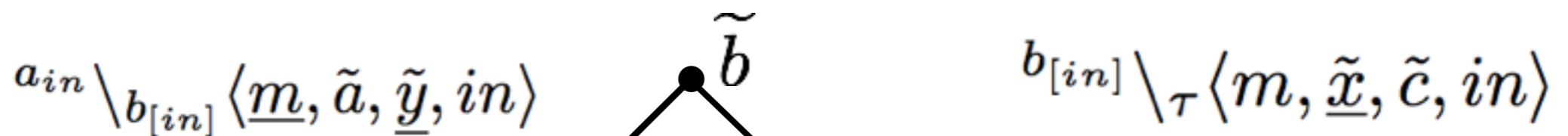
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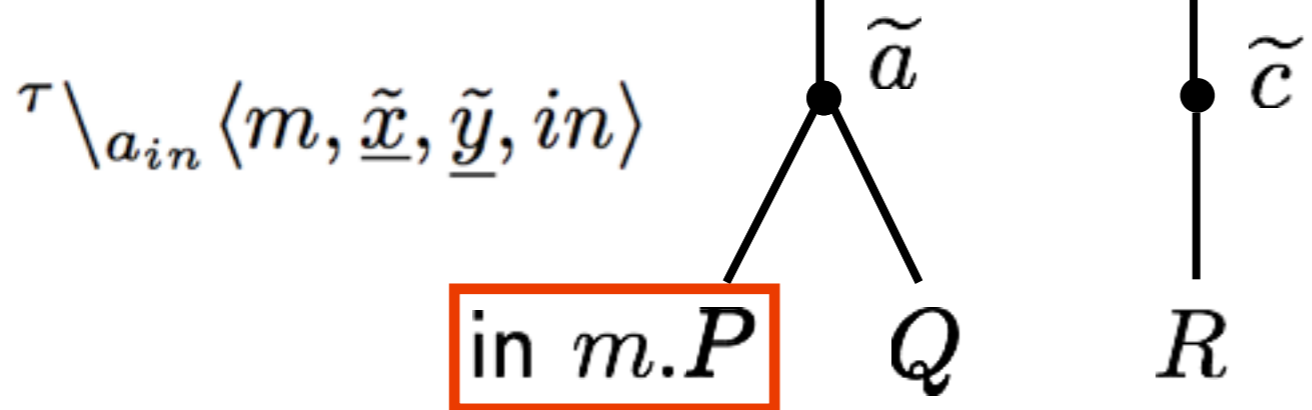
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(P does not really care about x)

c (and a) are typically restricted: c must be extruded

Desiderata

$P \rightarrow P'$ implies $\llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \rightarrow \llbracket P' \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}}$

$\llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \rightarrow Q$ implies $\exists P' \quad Q = \llbracket P' \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \quad P \rightarrow P'$

But both statements fail because of forwarders!

Roundabout

Extend ambients with parentheses

$$P ::= \dots \mid (P)$$

They are introduced when an ambient is dissolved

The encoding

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \llbracket n.P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq (\nu \tilde{b})(\text{Amb}(n, \tilde{b}, \tilde{a}) | \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{b}}) \\
 \llbracket \text{in } m.P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq \tau \backslash_{a_{in}} \langle m, \underline{\tilde{x}}, \underline{\tilde{y}}, in \rangle . \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \\
 \llbracket \text{out } m.P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq \tau \backslash_{a_{out}} \langle m, \underline{\tilde{x}}, \underline{\tilde{y}}, out \rangle . \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \\
 \llbracket \text{open } n.P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq \tau \backslash_{a_{opn}} \langle n, \underline{\tilde{x}}, \underline{\tilde{y}}, opn \rangle . \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \\
 \llbracket 0 \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq 0 \\
 \llbracket P|Q \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} | \llbracket Q \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \\
 \llbracket (\nu n)P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq (\nu n) \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \\
 \llbracket (P) \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq (\nu \tilde{b})(\text{Fwd}(\tilde{b}, \tilde{a}) | \llbracket P \rrbracket_{\tilde{b}}) \\
 \llbracket !P \rrbracket_{\tilde{a}} \triangleq A(\tilde{x}) | P, \text{ where } A(\tilde{x}) \triangleq P \text{ and } \tilde{x} = fn(P) \\
 \text{Amb}(n, \tilde{a}, \tilde{p}) \triangleq \tau \backslash_{a_{in}} \langle \underline{m}, \underline{\tilde{a}}, \underline{\tilde{y}}, in \rangle . \text{Amb}(n, \tilde{a}, \tilde{y}) + \tau \backslash_{p_{[in]}} \langle n, \underline{\tilde{x}}, a, in \rangle . \text{Amb}(n, \tilde{a}, \tilde{p}) + \\
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Conclusion

Envisage interaction like a puzzle

A theory of linked interactions

Derive standard first-order LTS semantics
(and suitable bisimilarities congruences)

Ongoing work

A joint work with Carlos Olarte

(Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil)

“Symbolic semantics for multiparty interactions in the link-calculus”

Future work

2 possible directions:

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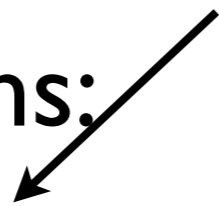
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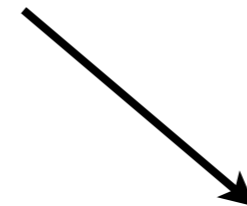
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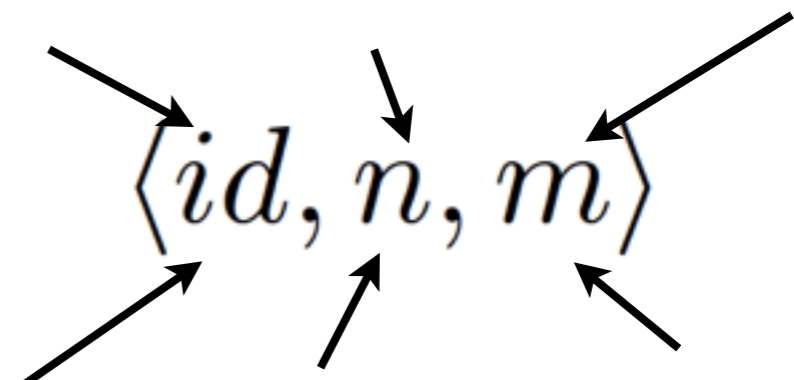
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I do not believe this I believe this I believe this

$$\langle id, n, m \rangle$$

I trust this This is a lie I do not believe this



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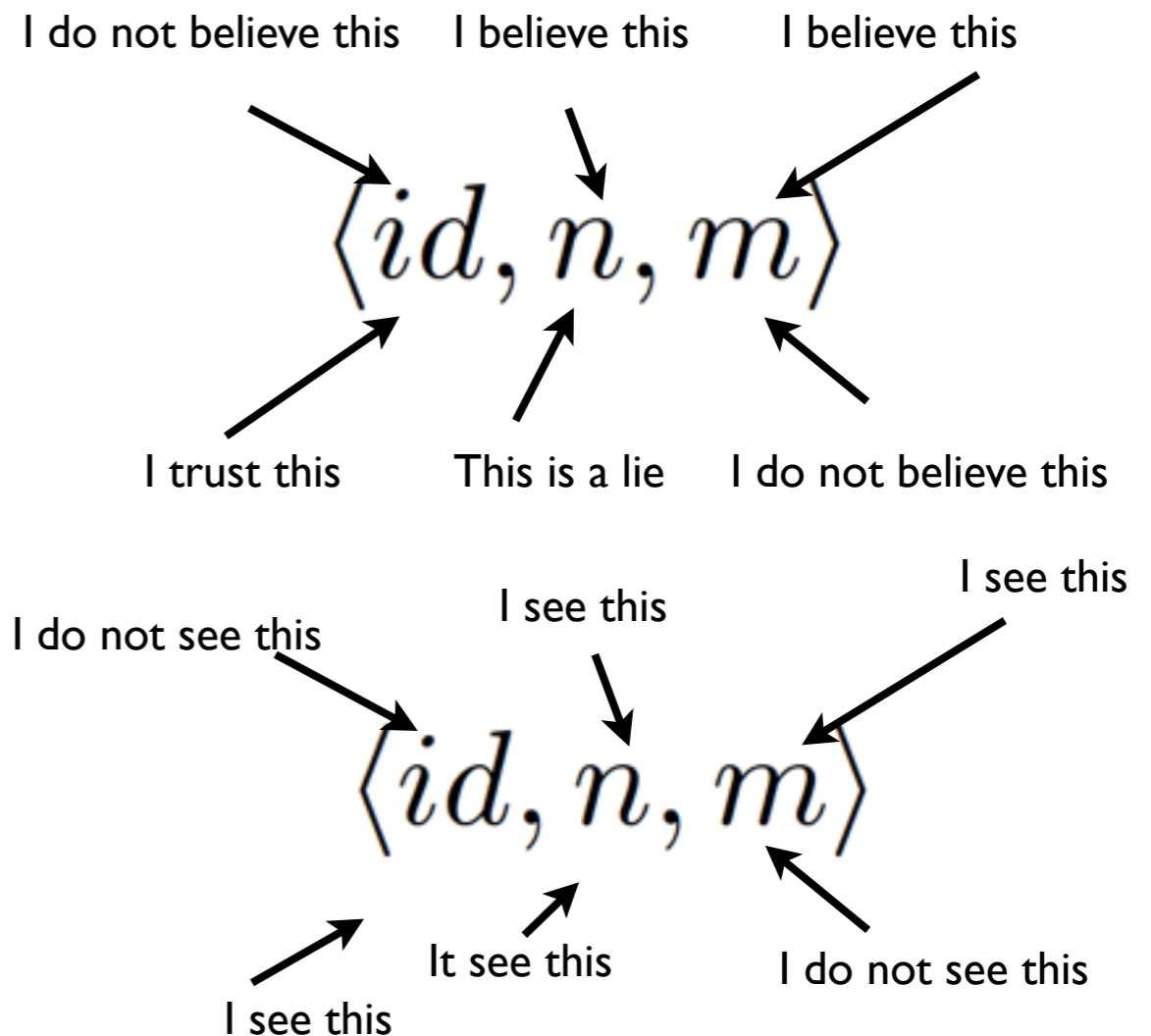
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The End

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