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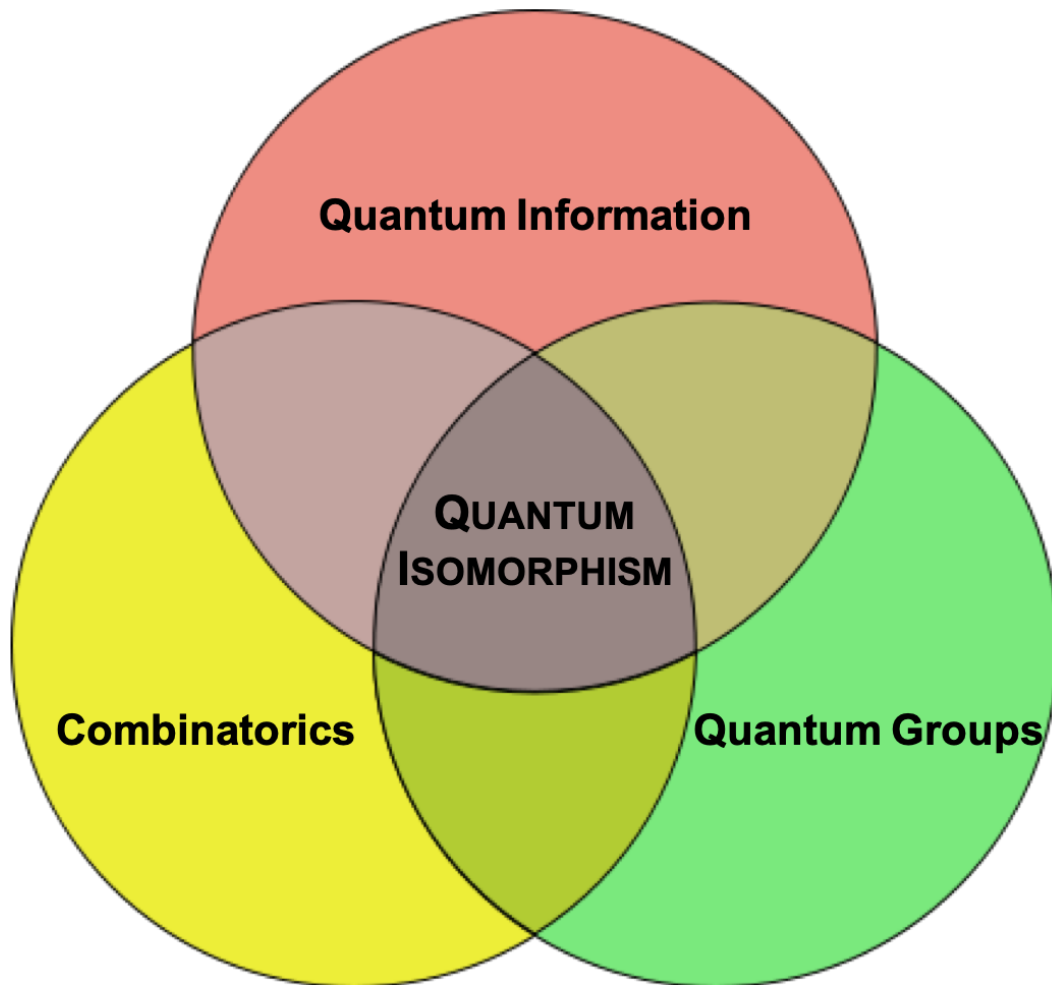
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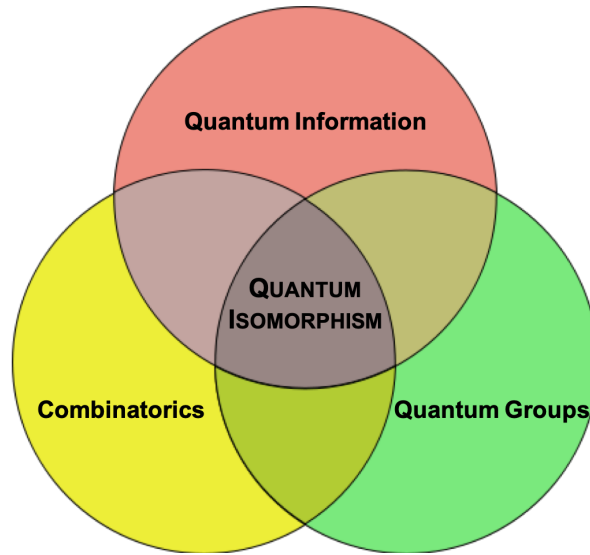
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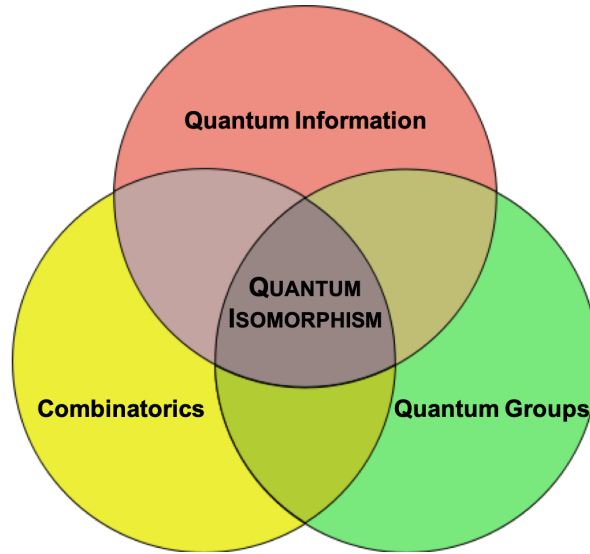
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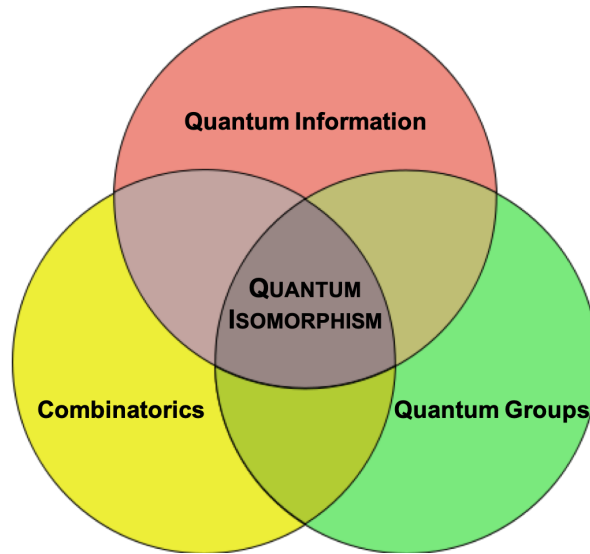




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# This talk

## PART I

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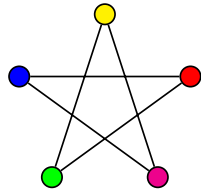
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- Matrix formulations
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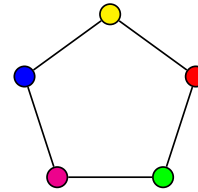
Elements of the proof:

- Intertwiners of quantum groups
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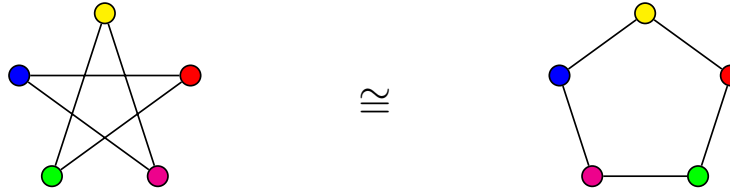
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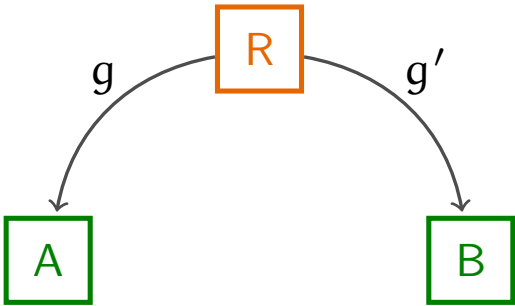
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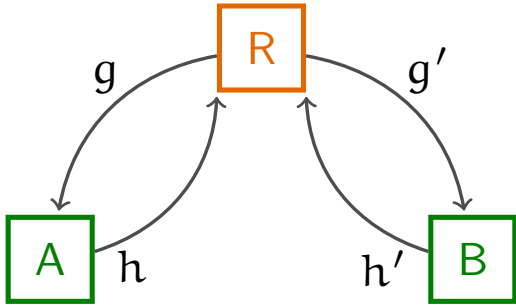
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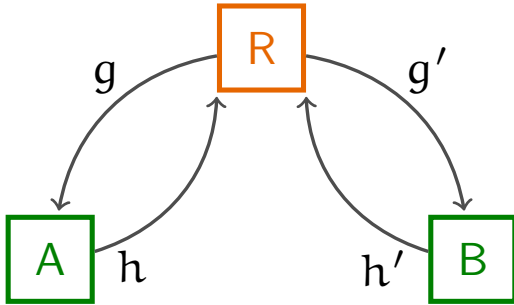
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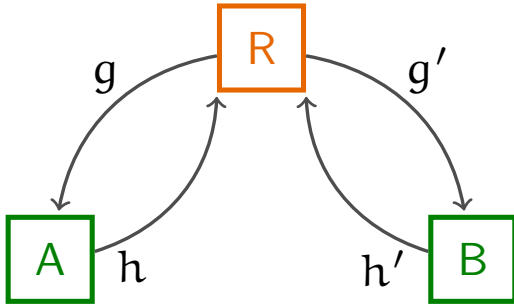
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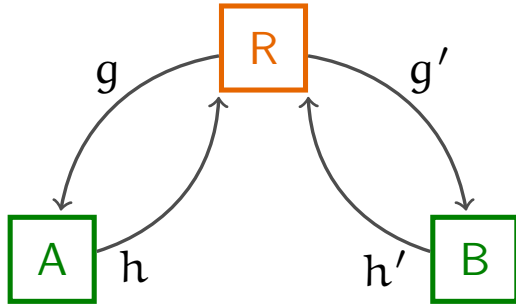


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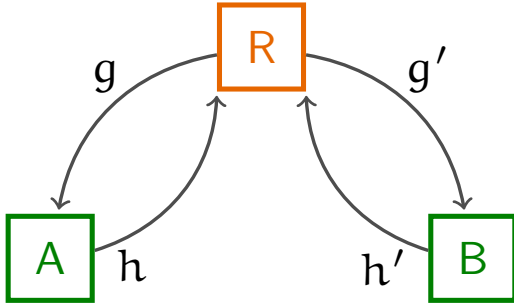


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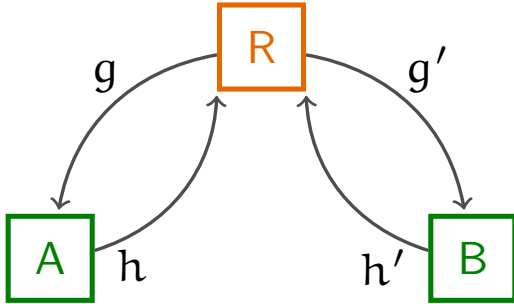
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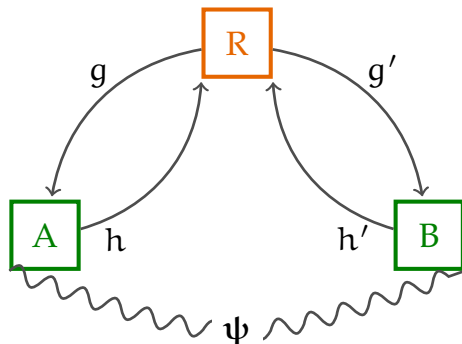
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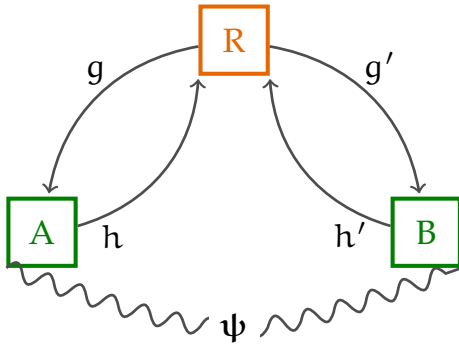
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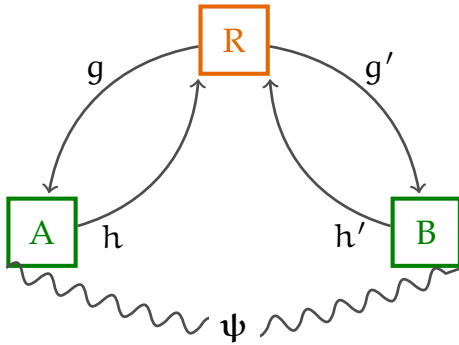
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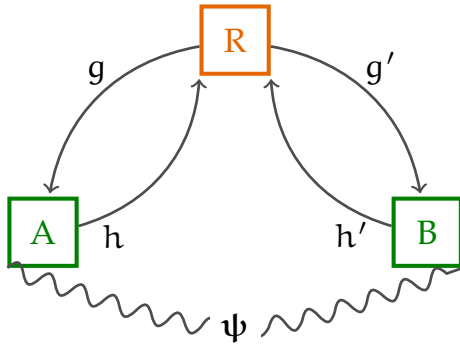
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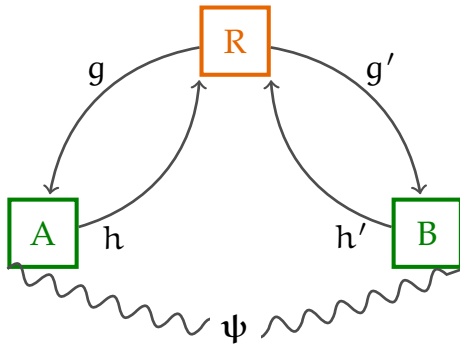
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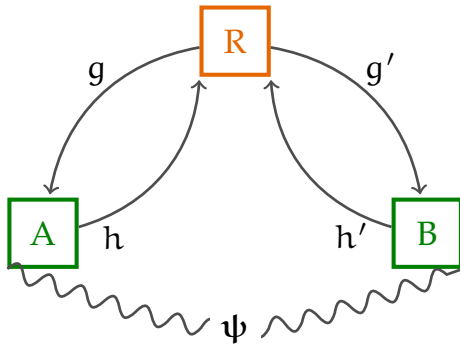


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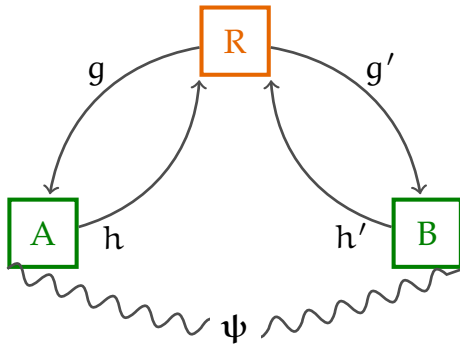
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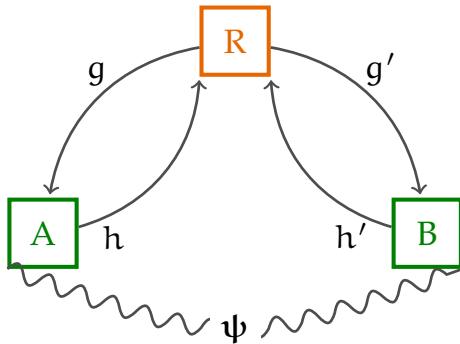
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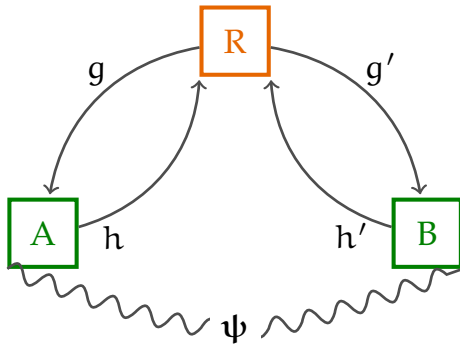
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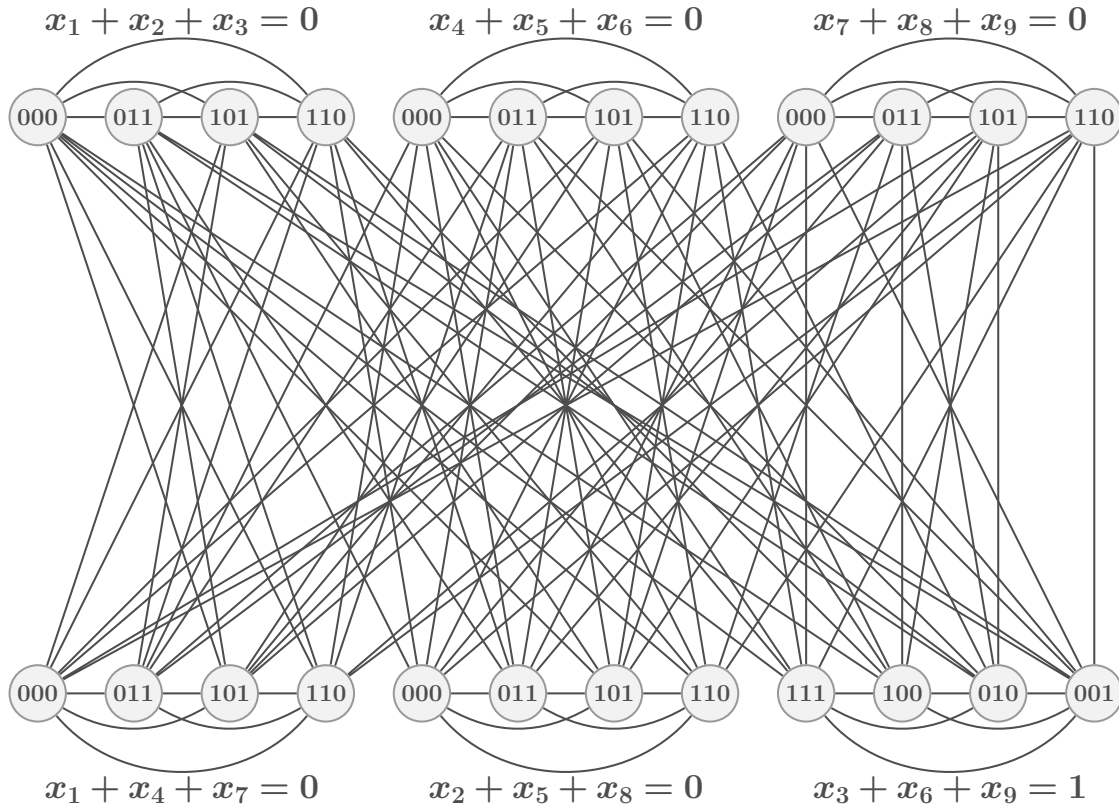


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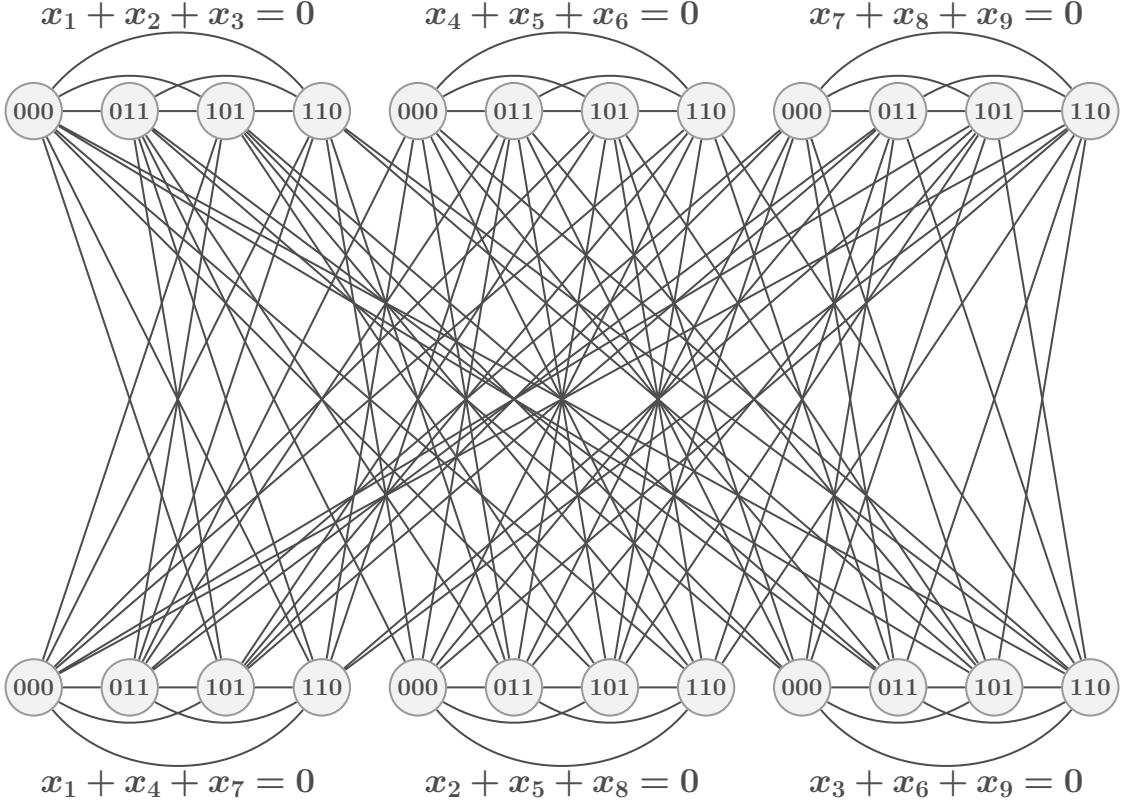
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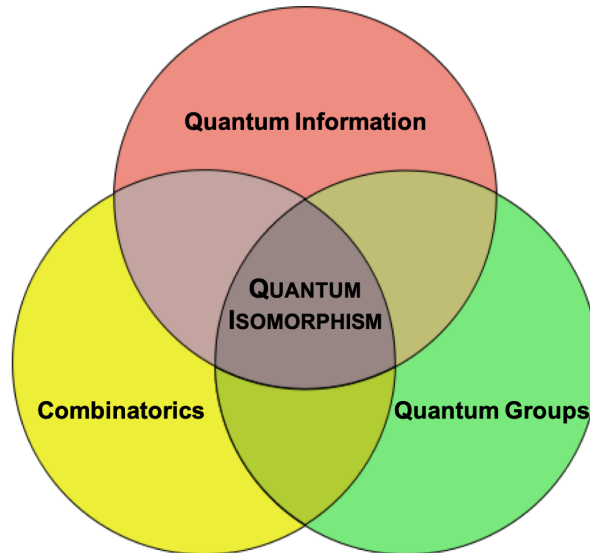
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# Can we describe quantum isomorphism in combinatorial terms?



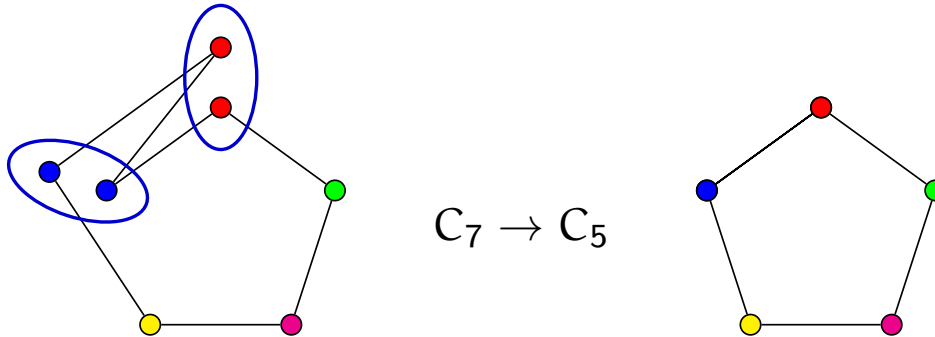
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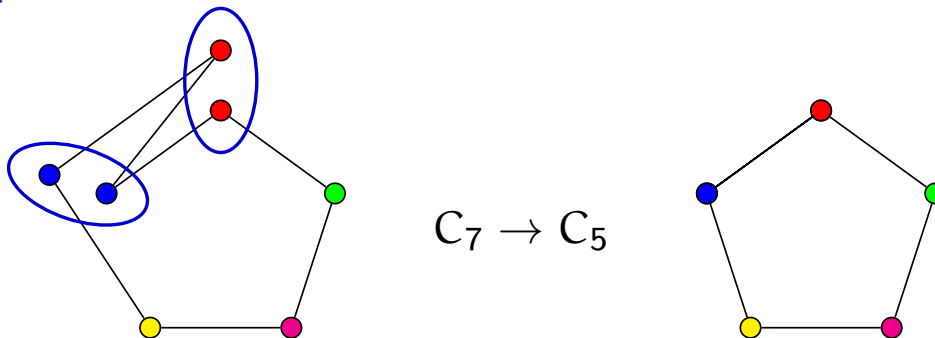
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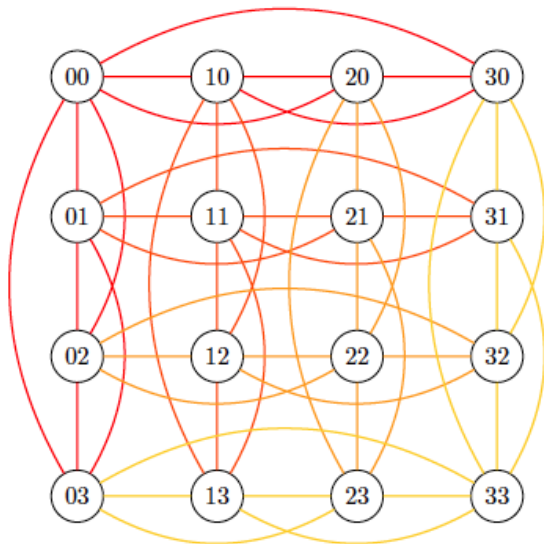
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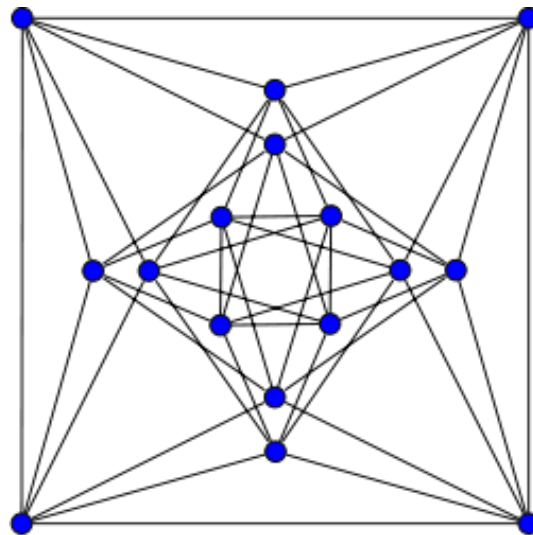
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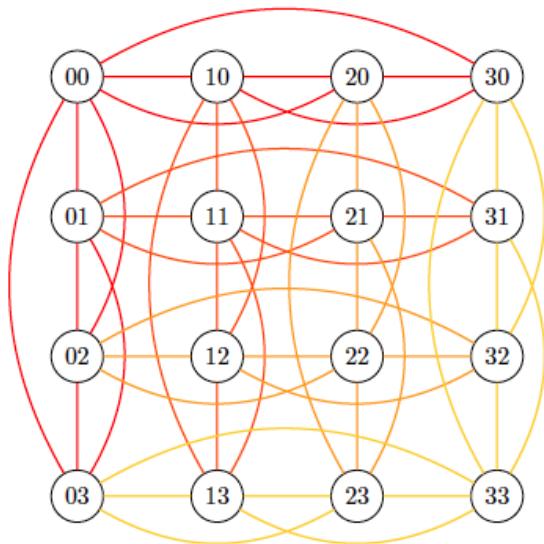
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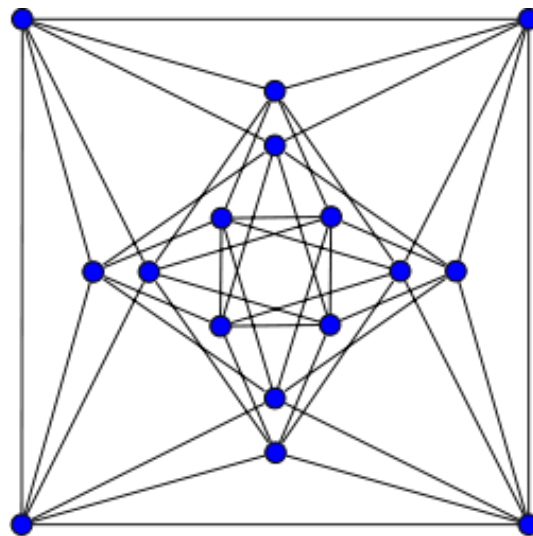
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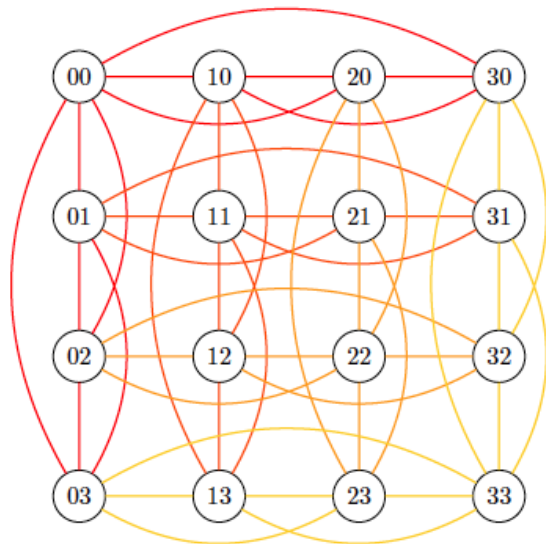


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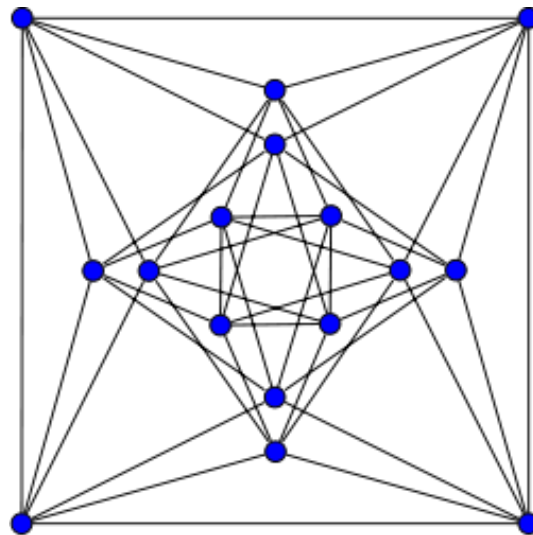
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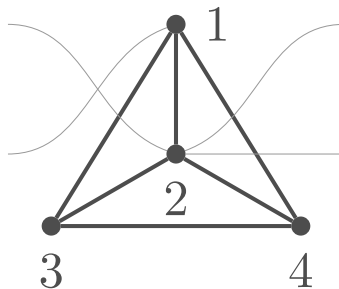
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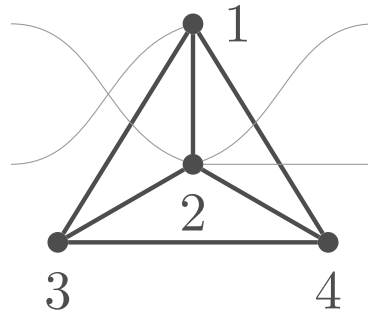
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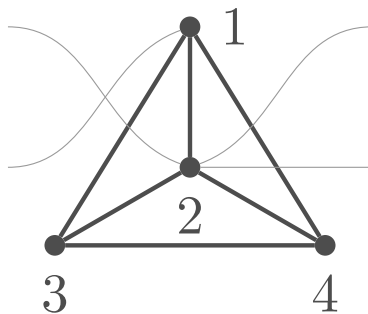
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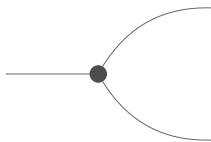


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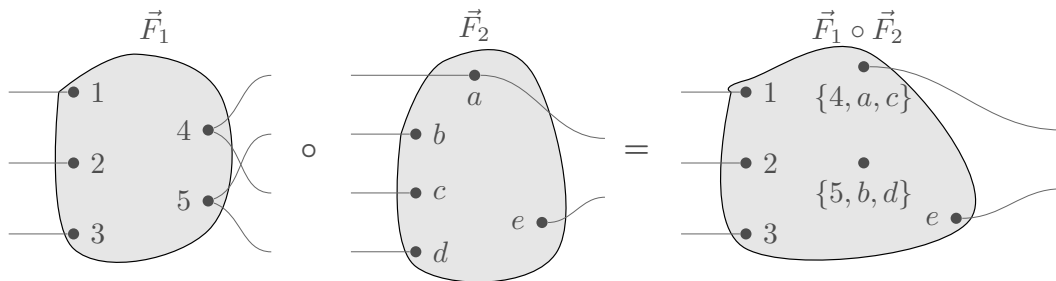
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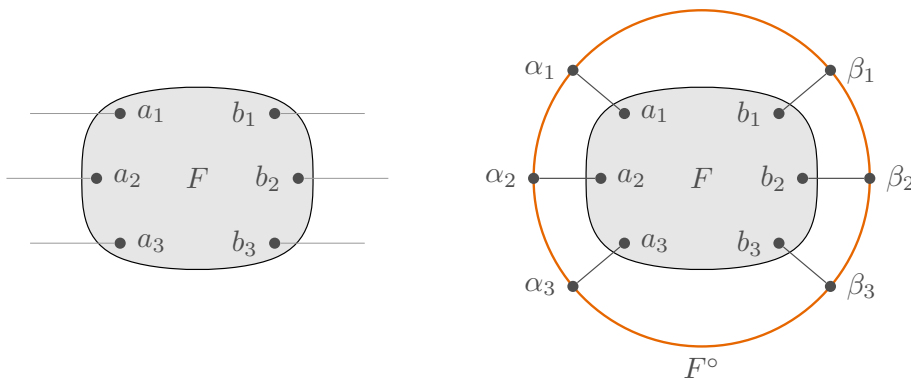
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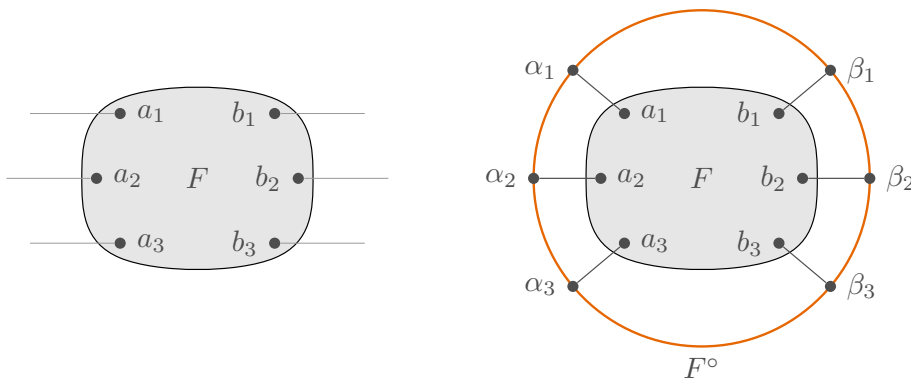


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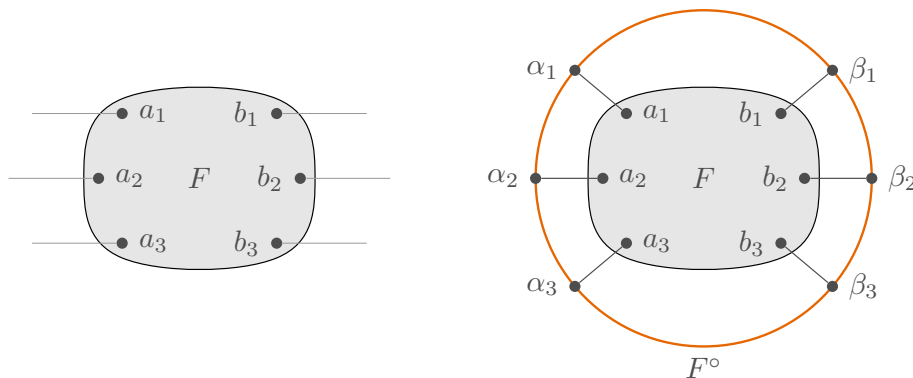
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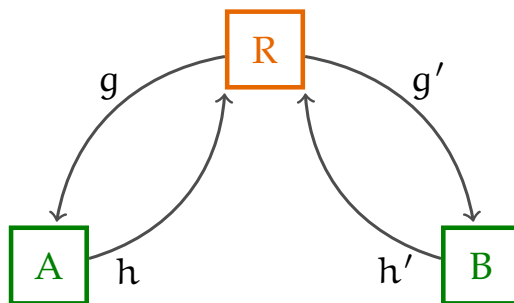


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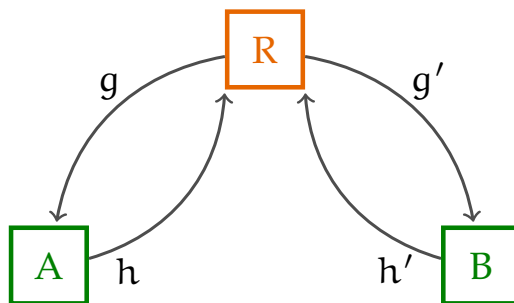
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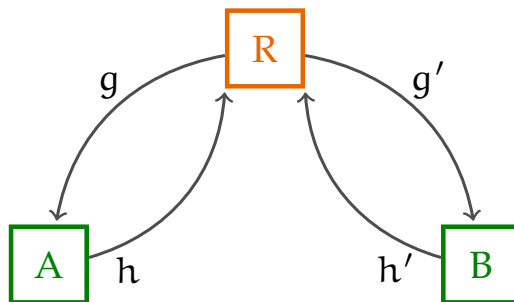
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