

Git as a HIT

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- * But they have many other applications, including some programming ones!

Patches

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Patch

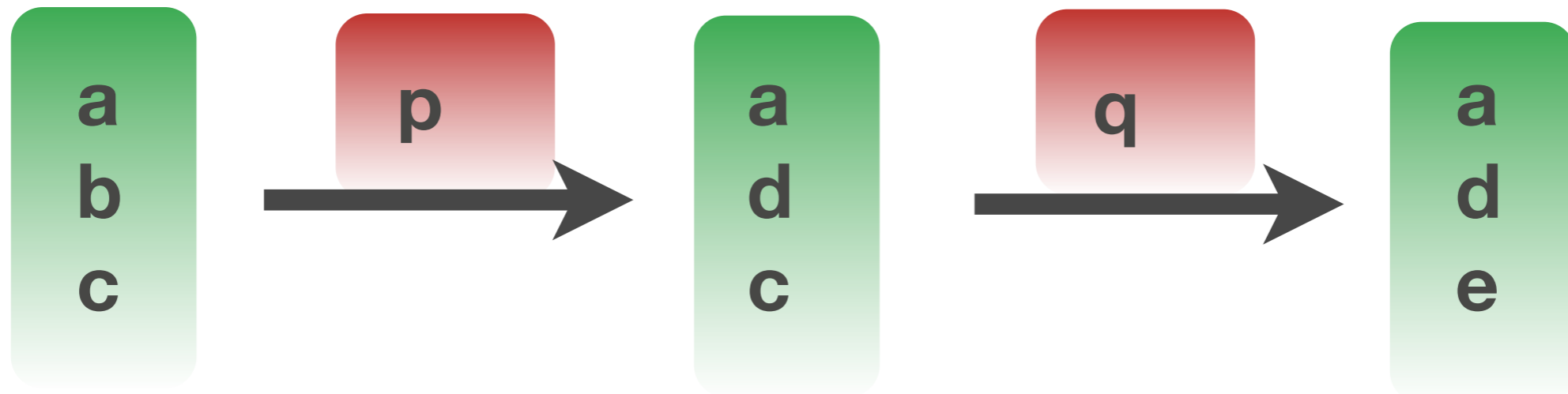
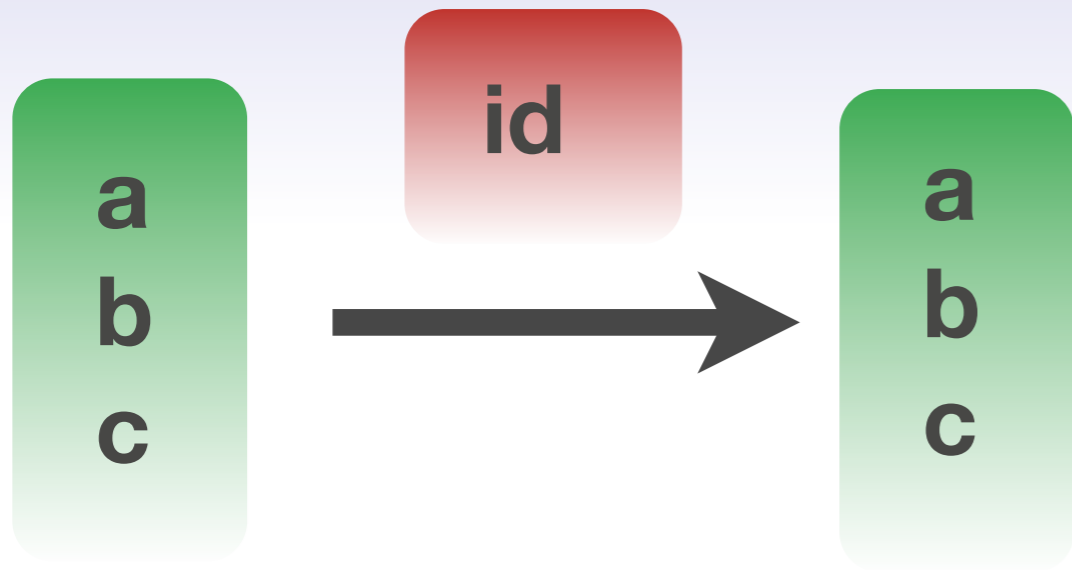
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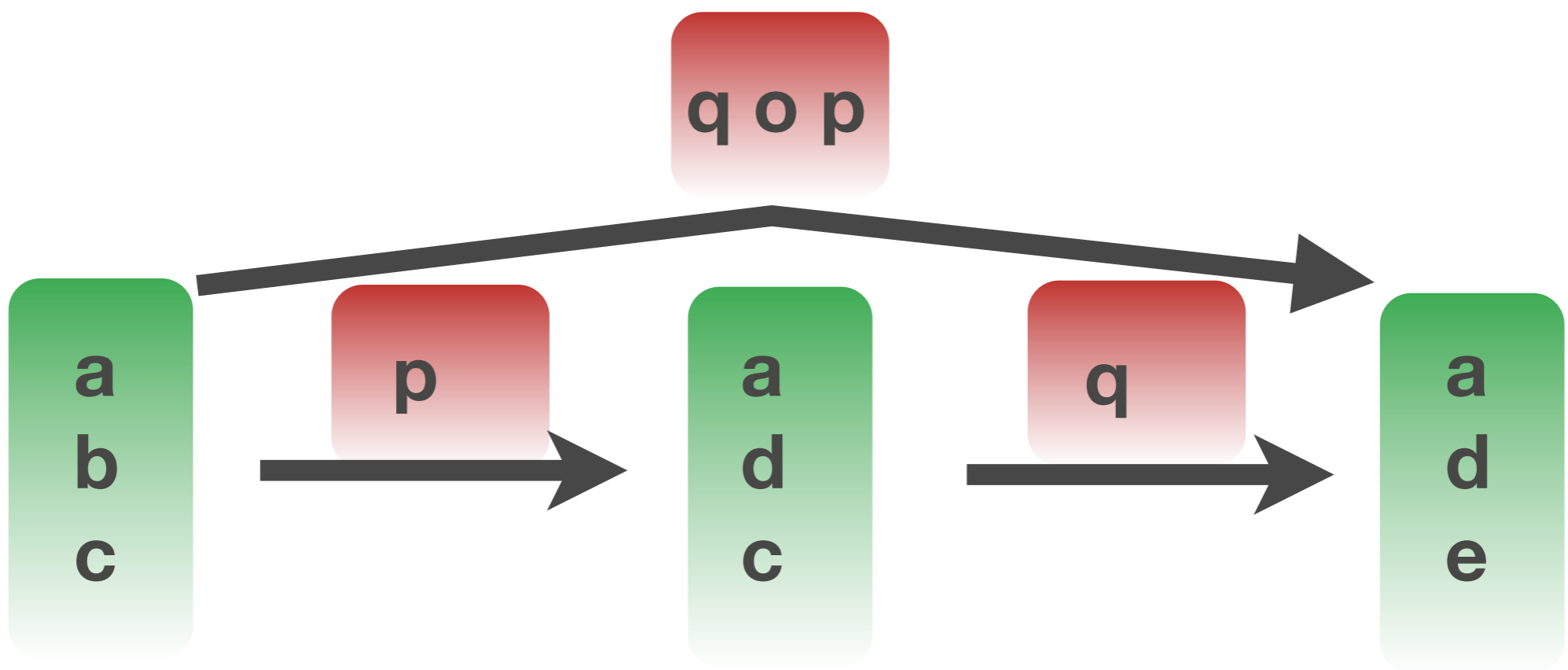
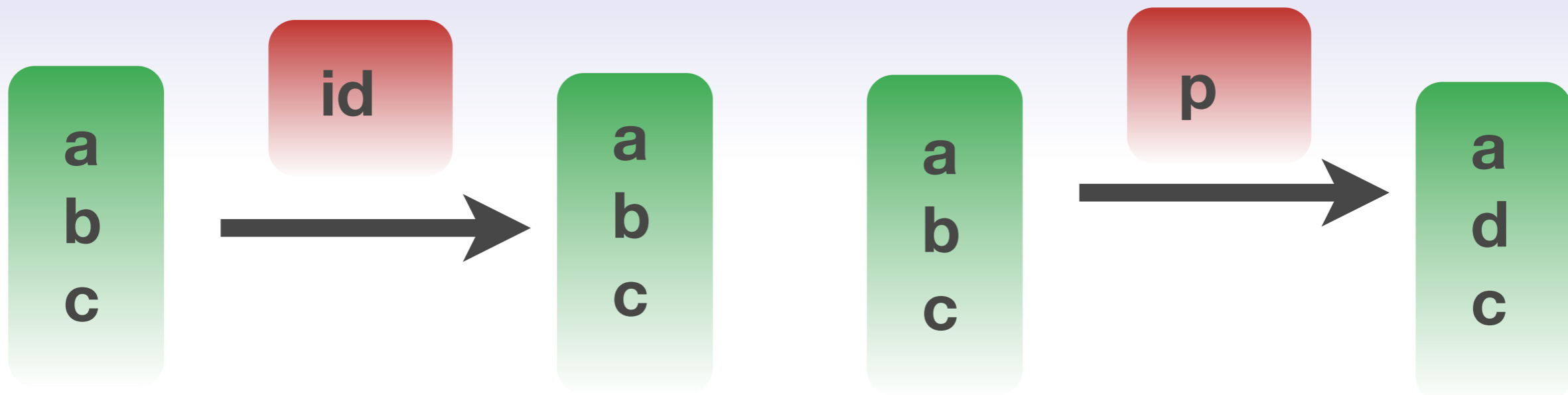


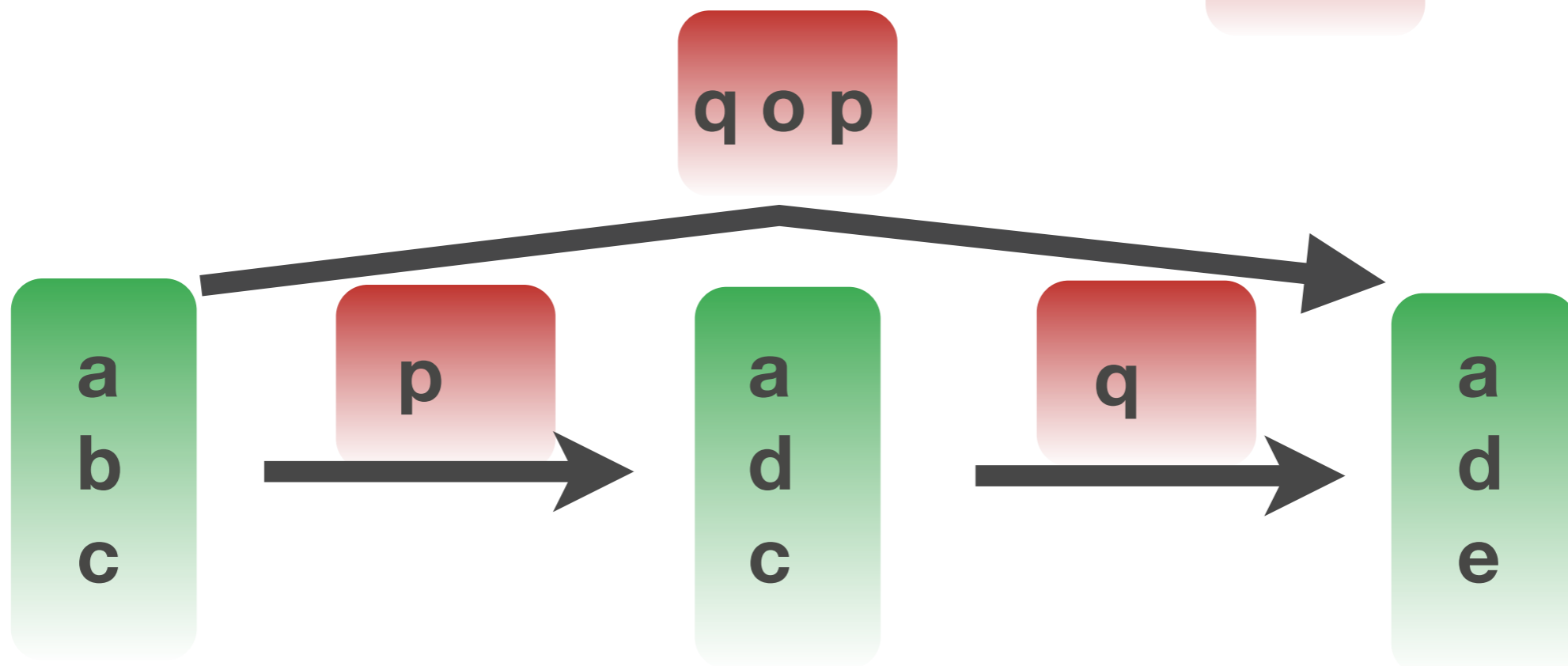
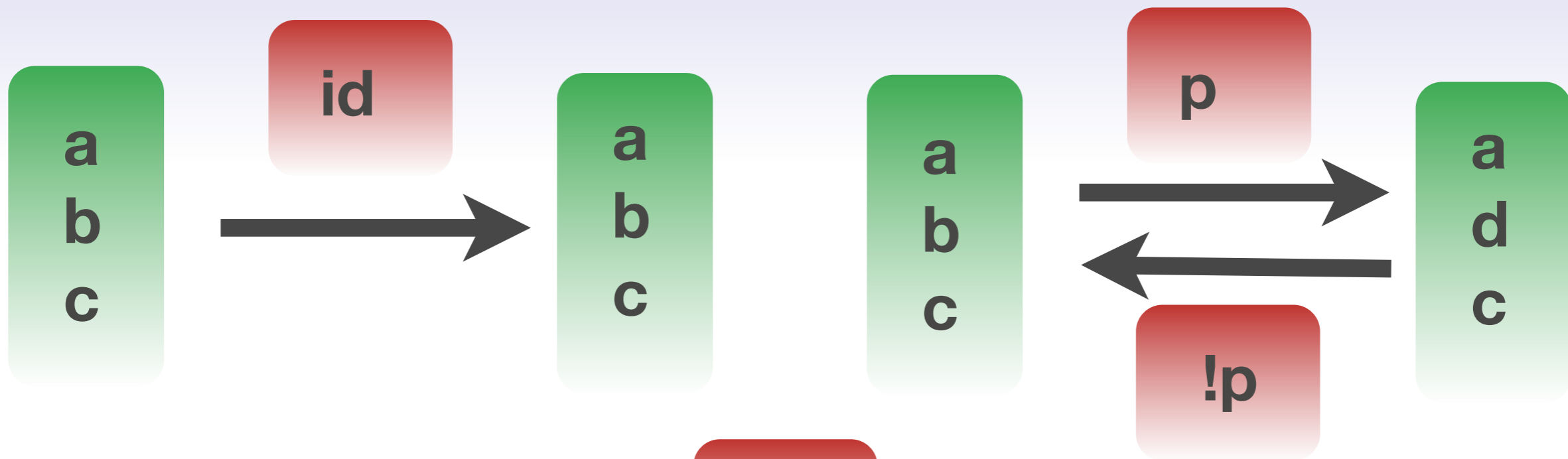
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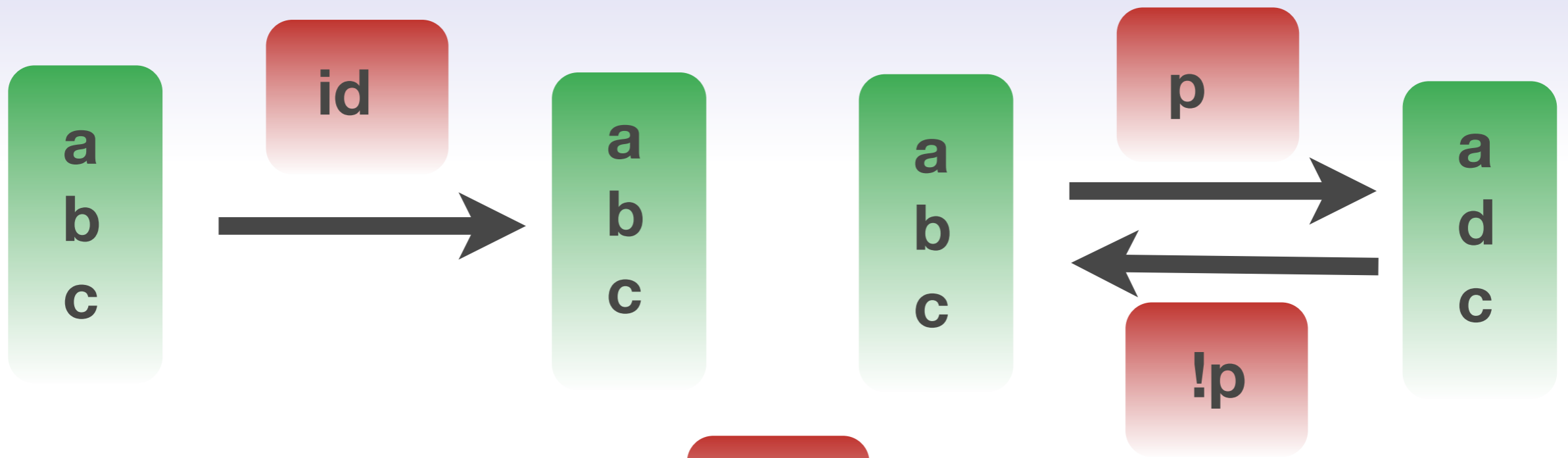
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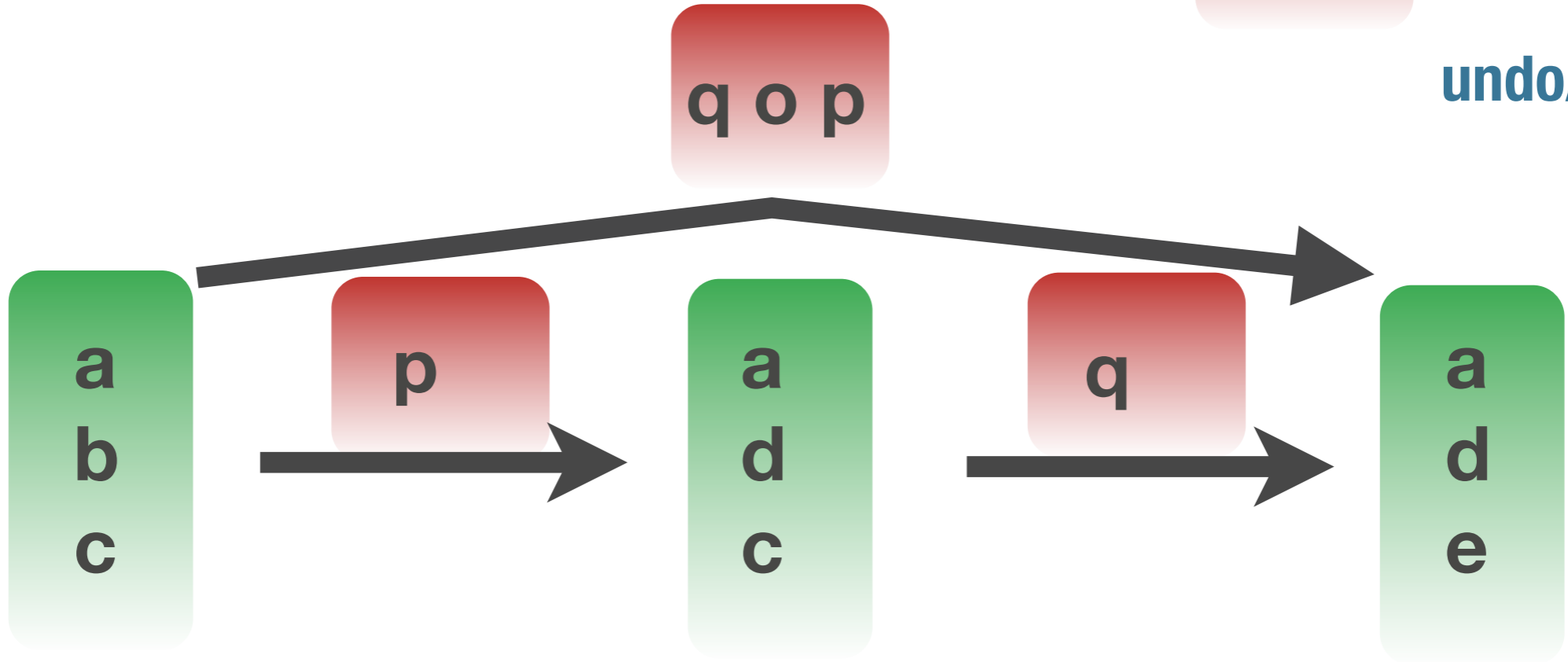
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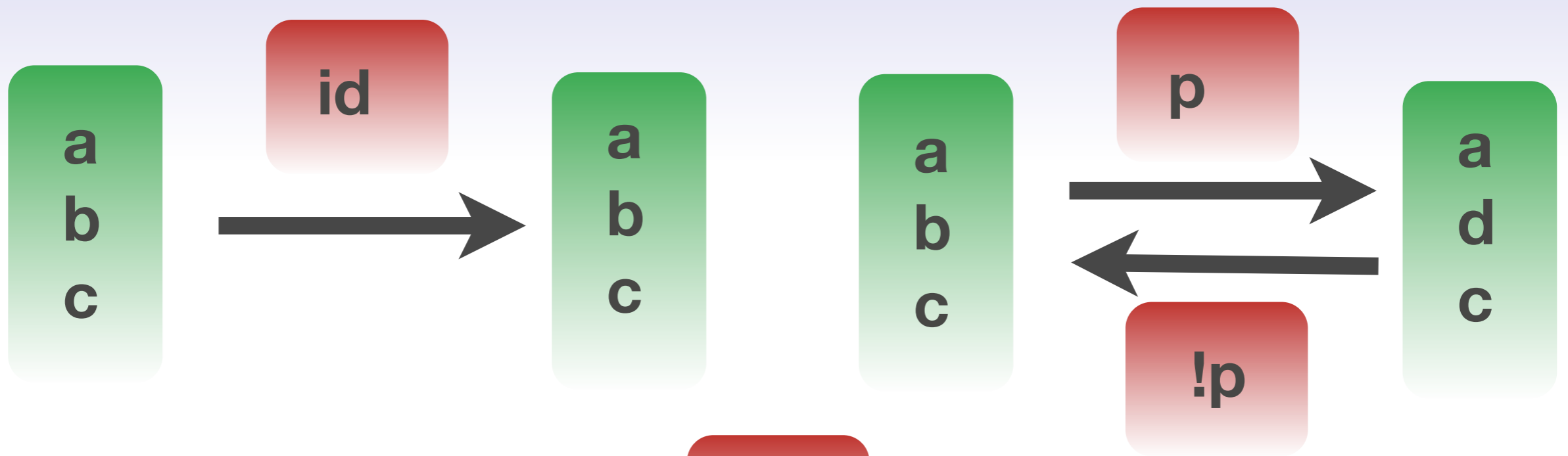




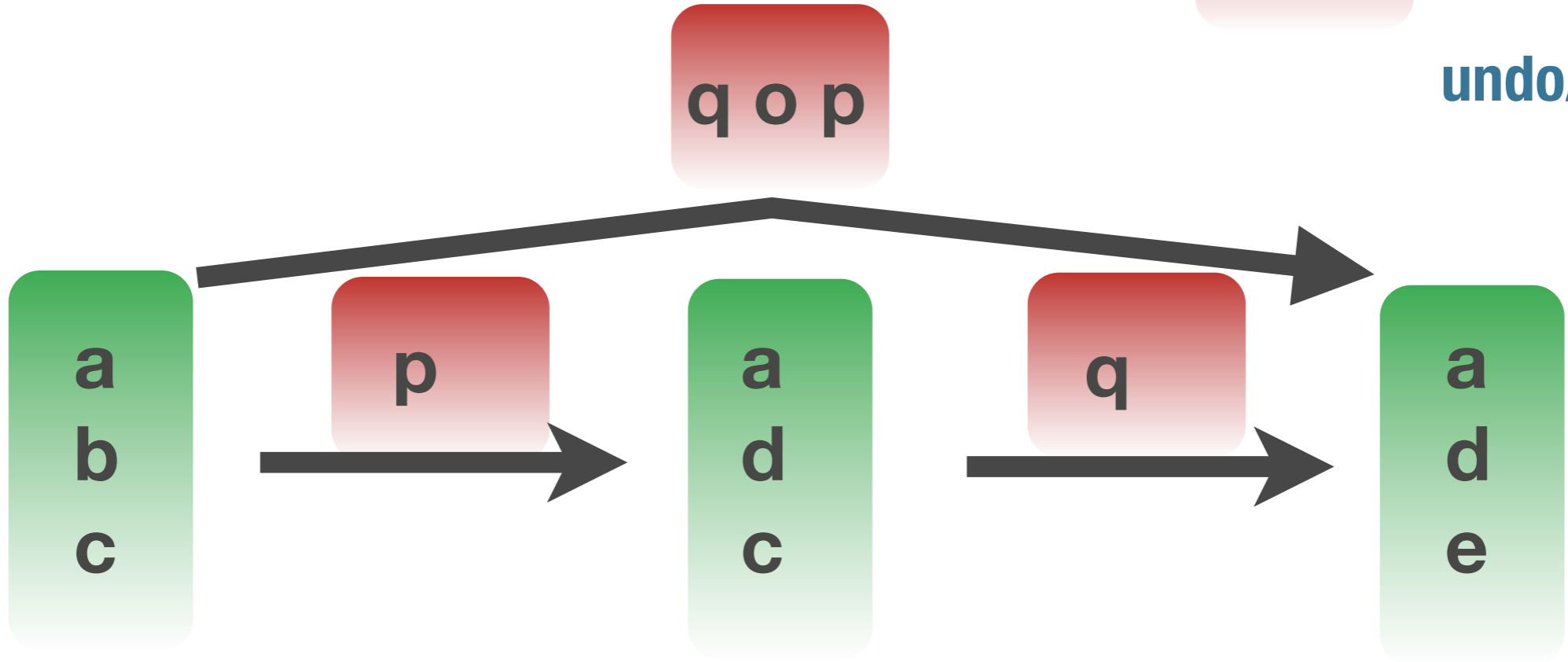


undo/rollback





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[Yorgey, Jacobson, ...]

Simple Setup



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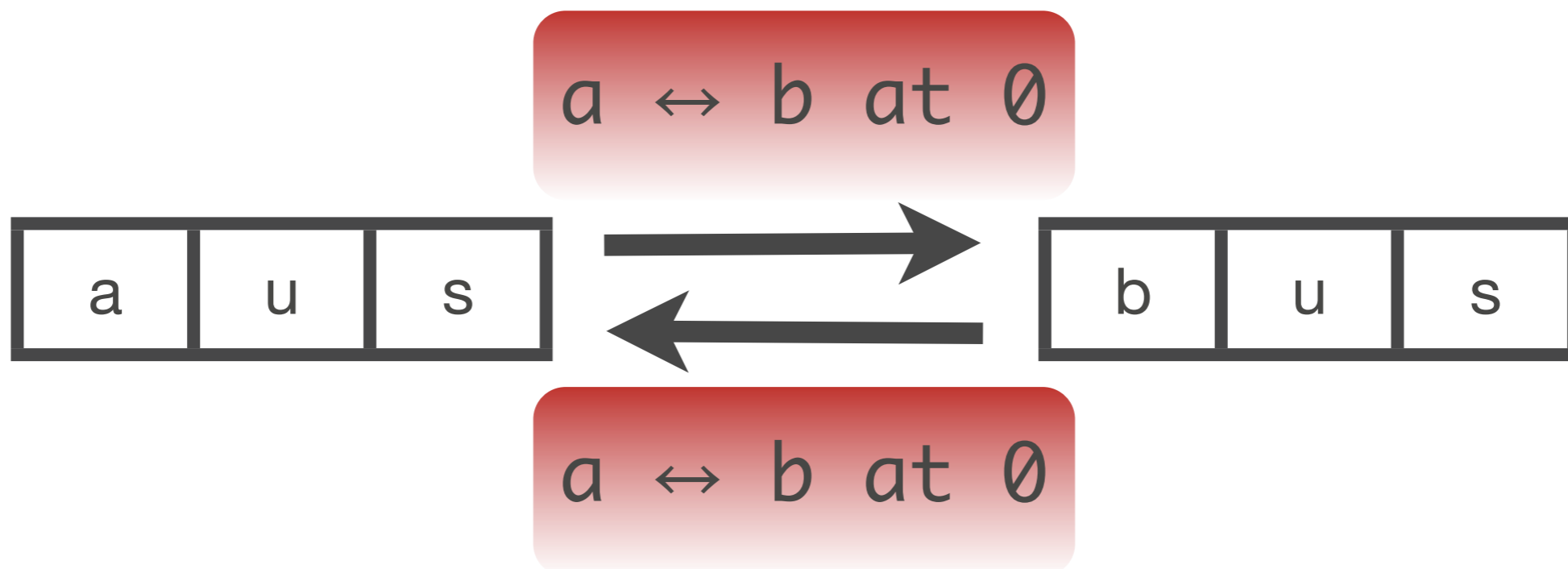
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Simple Setup

- * “Repository” is a char vector of fixed length n



- * Basic patch is $a \leftrightarrow b$ at i where $i < n$



Domain-Specific Language

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Domain-Specific Language

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interp : Patch → (Vec Char n → Vec Char n) ×  
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interp (a ↔ b at i) = swapat a b i , swapat a b i
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$\text{swapat } a \ b \ i \ v$ permutes a and b at position i in v

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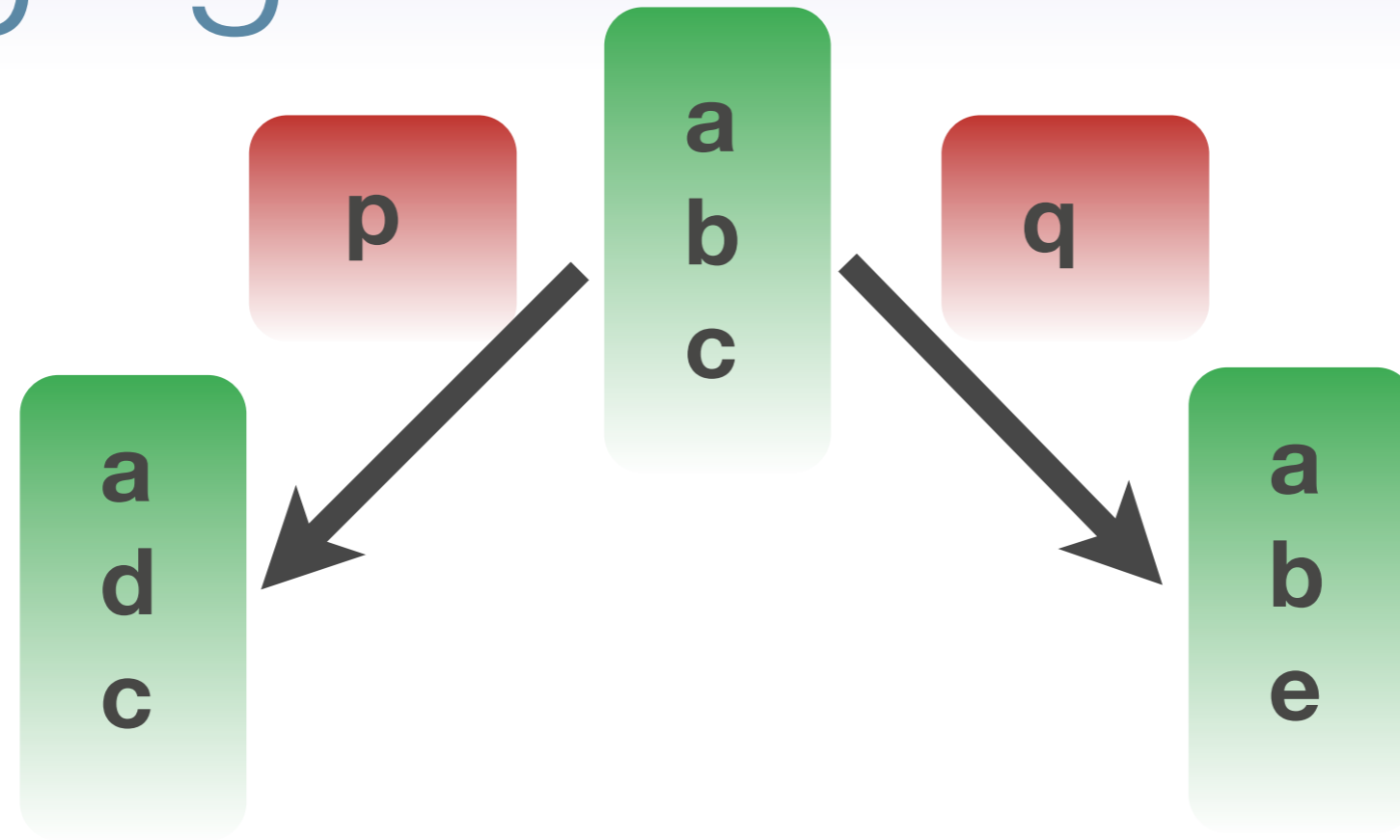
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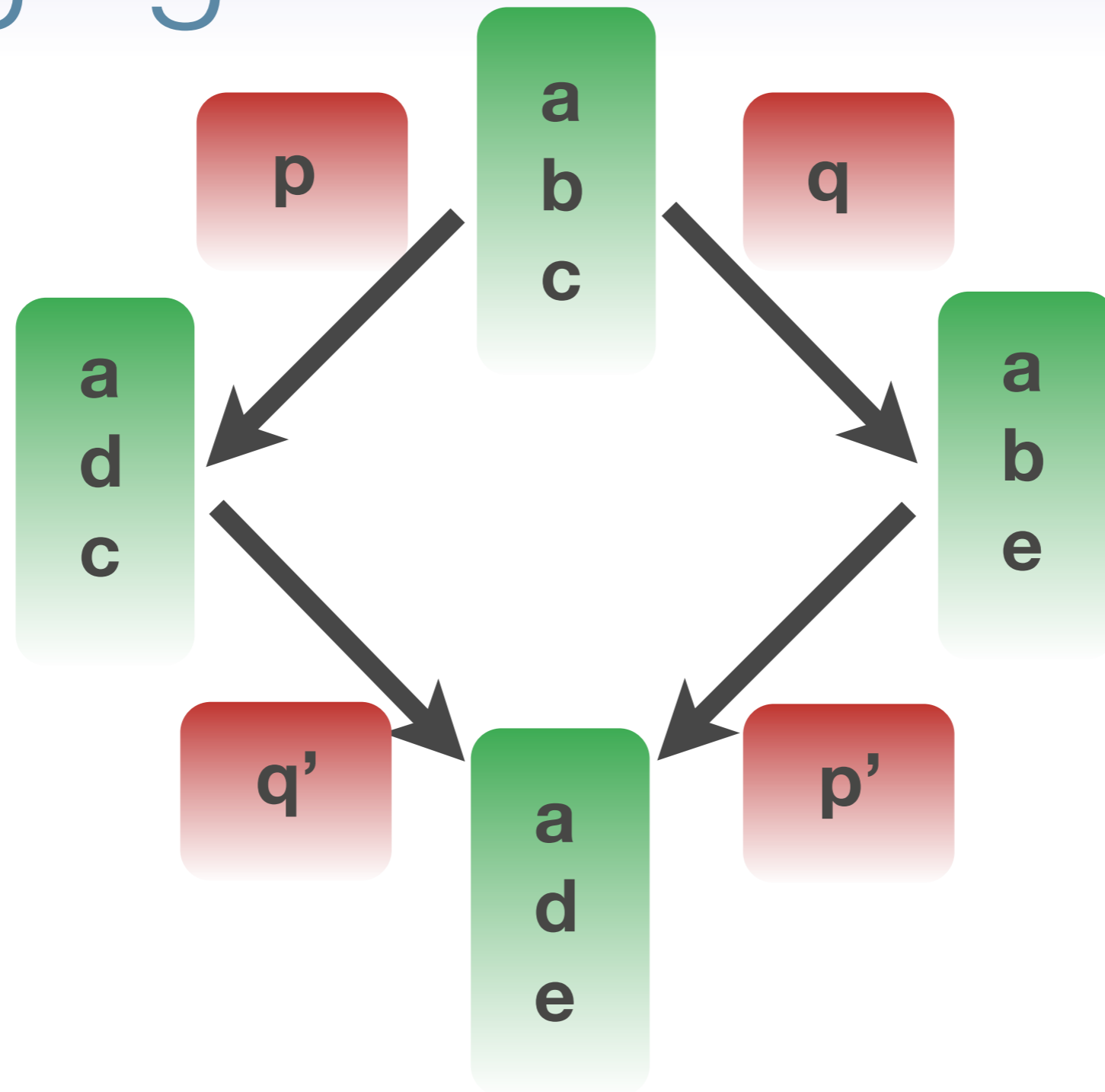
Can package this as:

`interp` : `Patch` \rightarrow
 `Bijection (Vec Char n) (Vec Char n)`

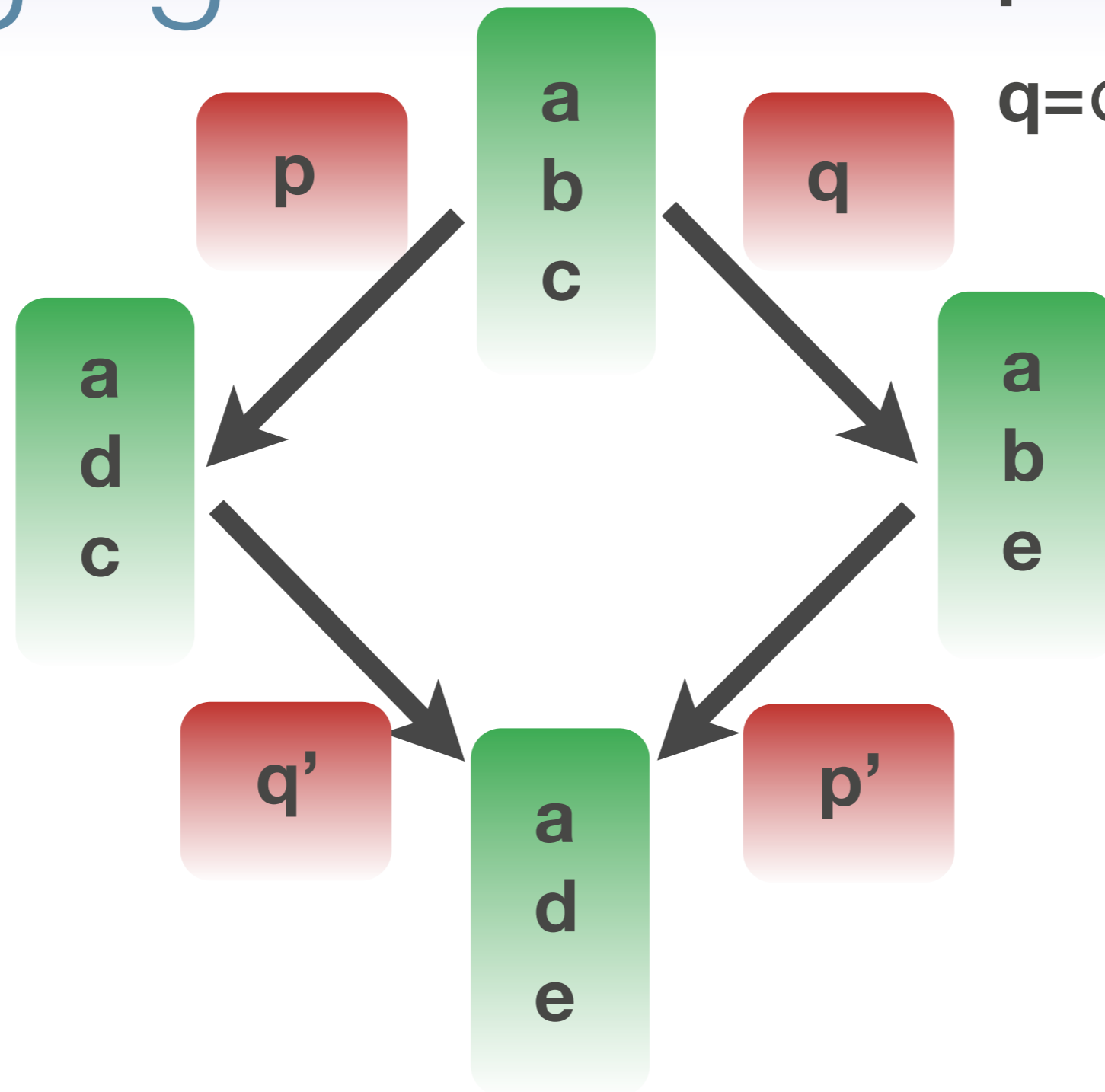
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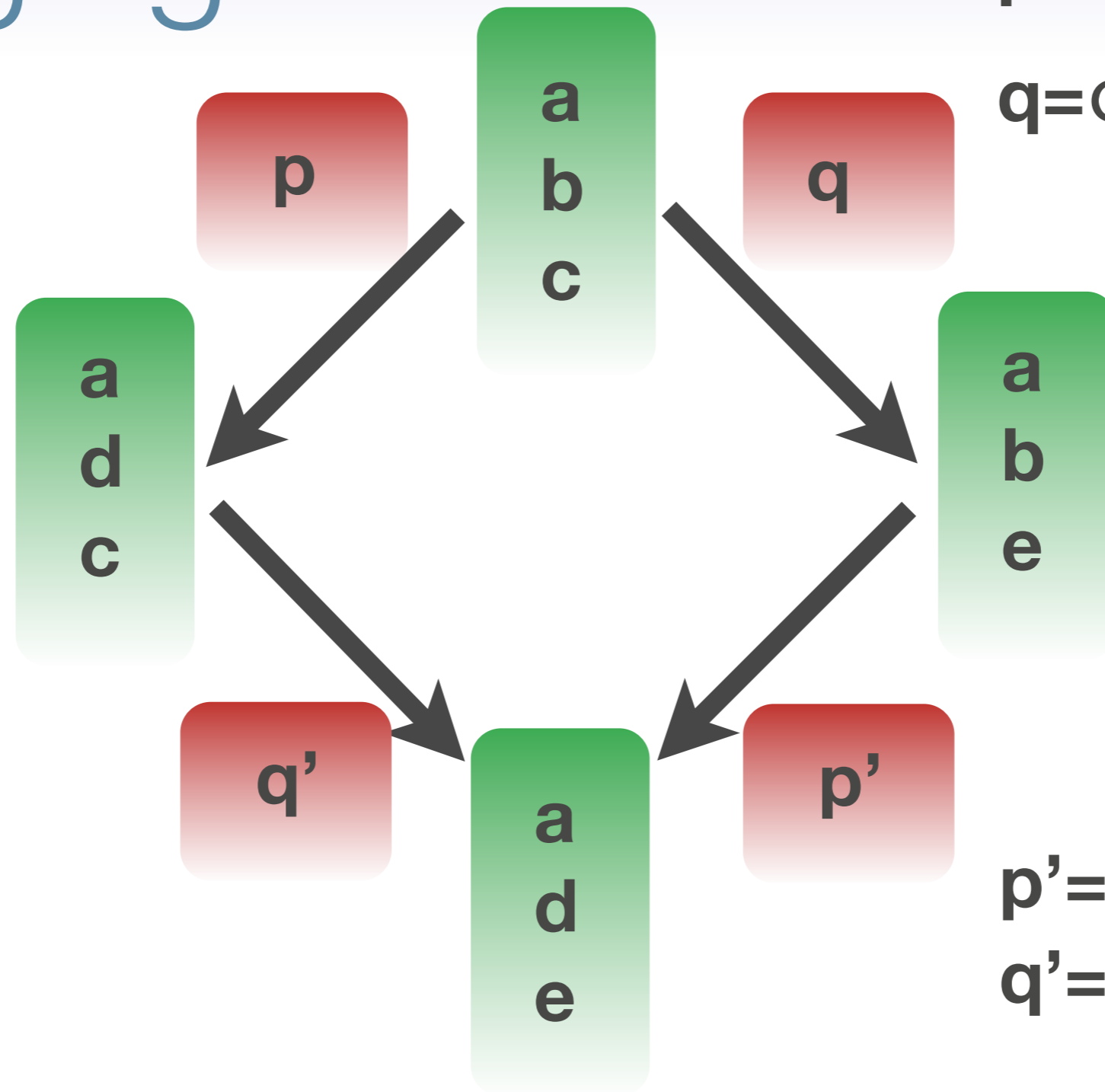
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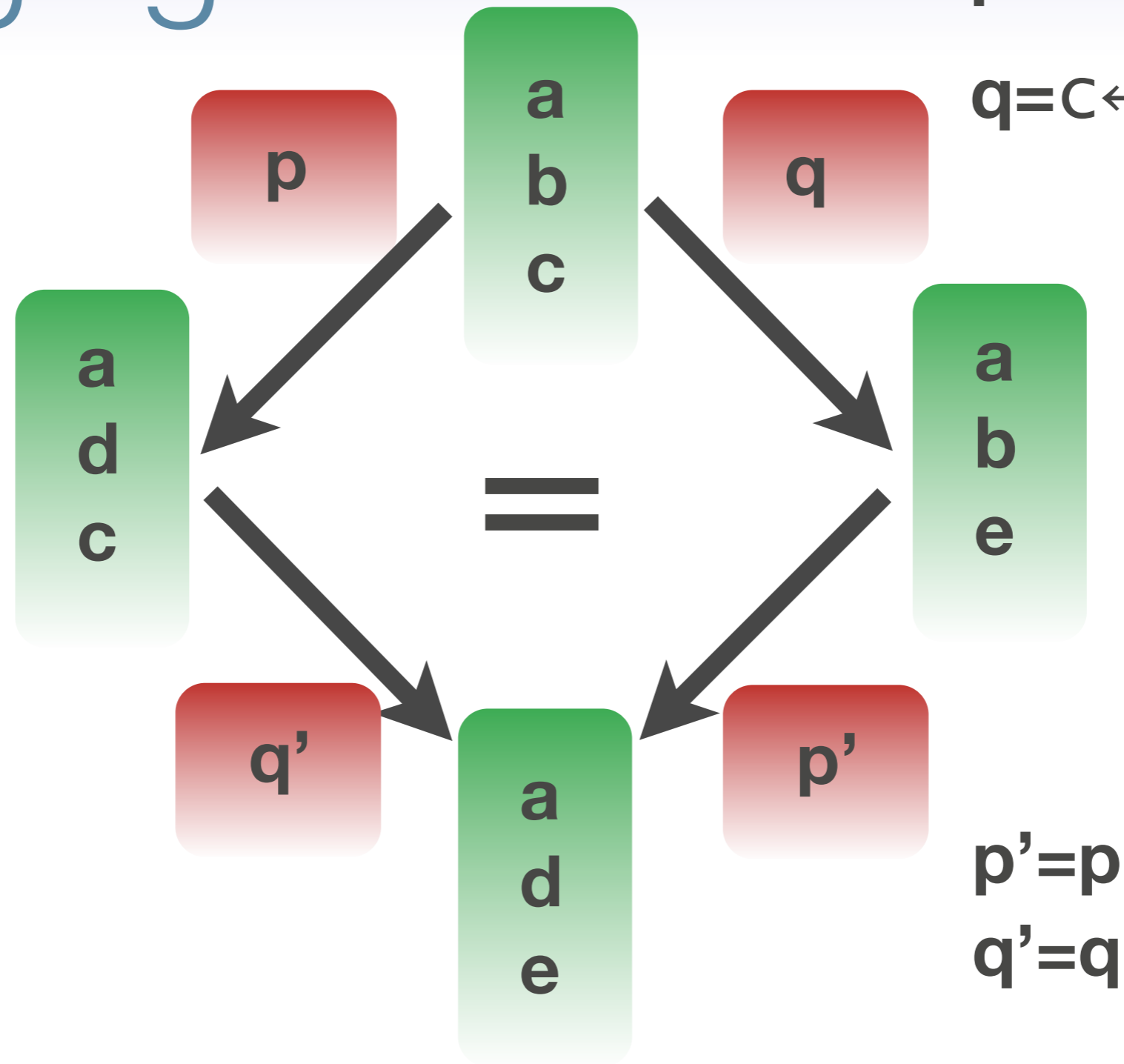
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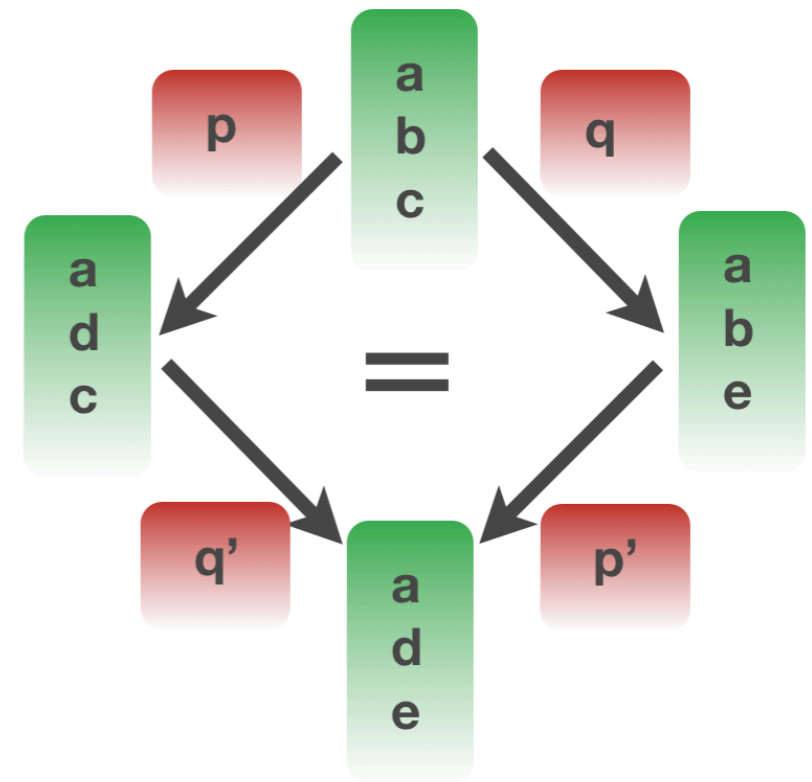
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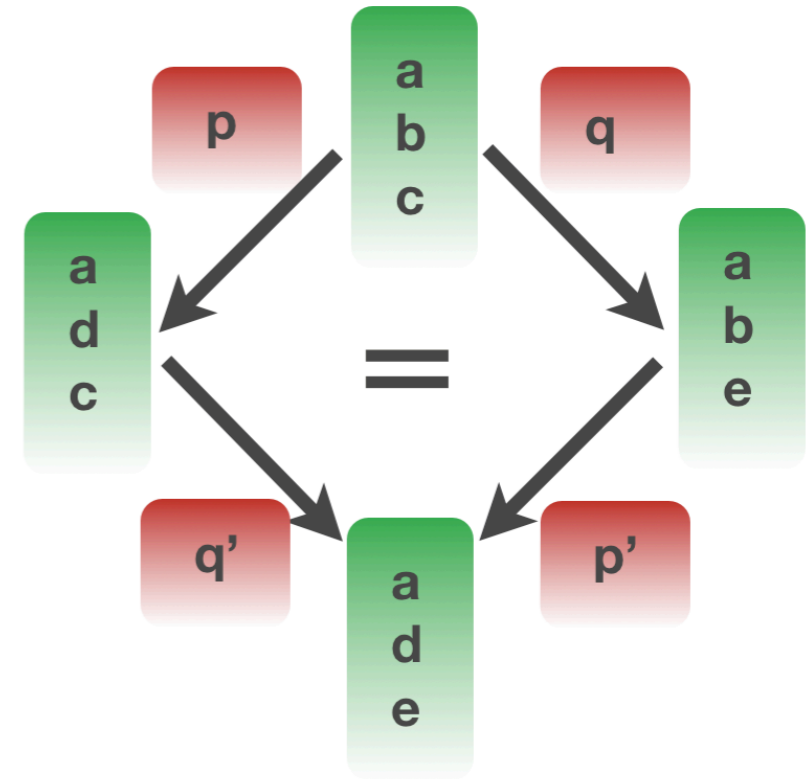
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When are two patches equal?

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Patch as Quotient Type

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Equality:

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...
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$po(qor) \sim (poq)or$

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Elimination rule:

$interp : Patch \rightarrow$
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define on Patch' as before,

then prove $p \sim q$ implies

$interp p = interp q$

for all 14+ rules for ~

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Equality between equalities:

commute :

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*Everything else comes
“for free” from
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Typed Patches

RepoDesc : Type

vec : RepoDesc

compressed : RepoDesc

$a \leftrightarrow b$ at i : vec = vec

gzip : vec = compressed

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Patch vec compressed

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All functions on patches respect patch equality

Patches as a HIT

1. How do you define Patch using a higher inductive type?
2. What is the elimination rule for RepoDesc?
- 3. How do you use the elim. rule to define interp?**

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*But only tool available is RepoDesc recursion:
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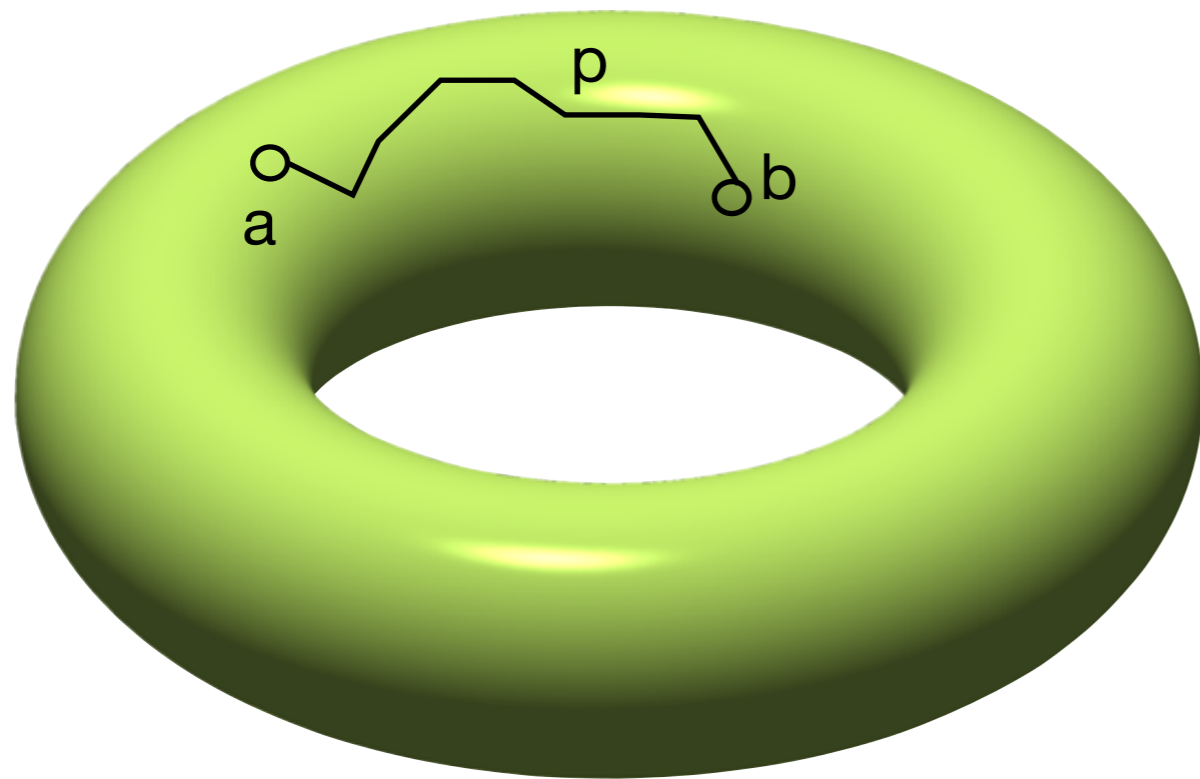
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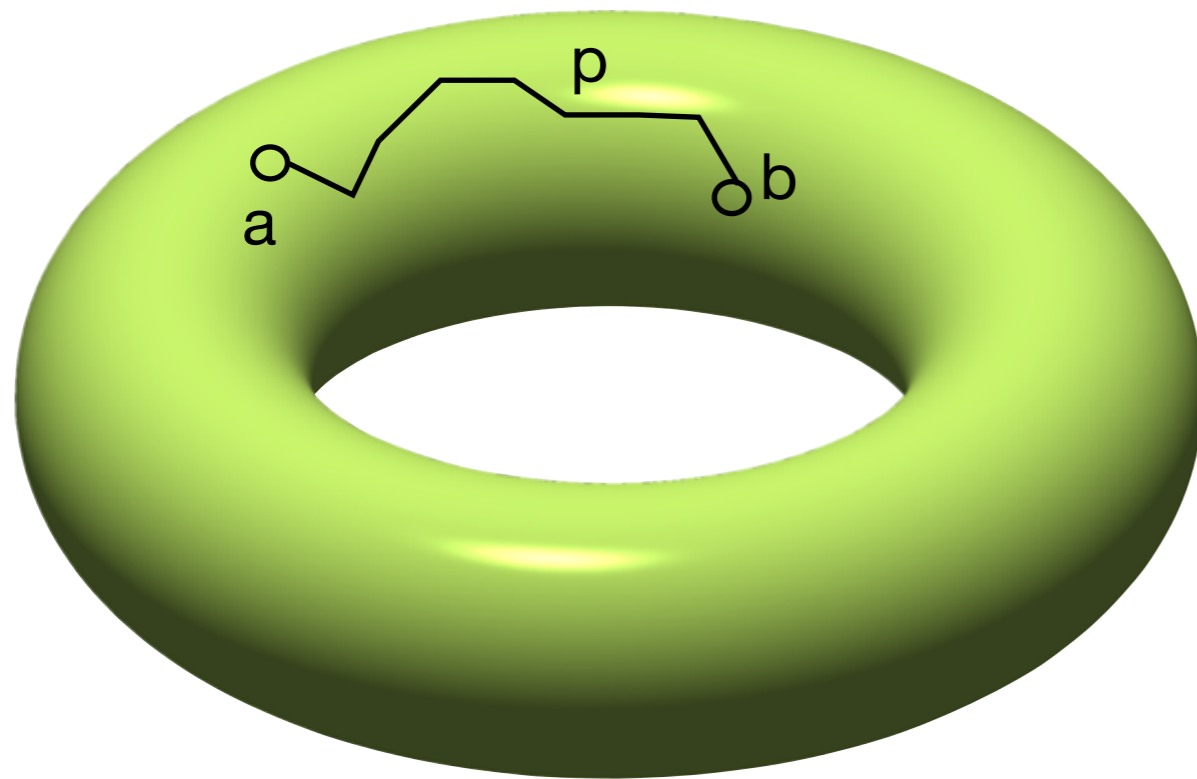
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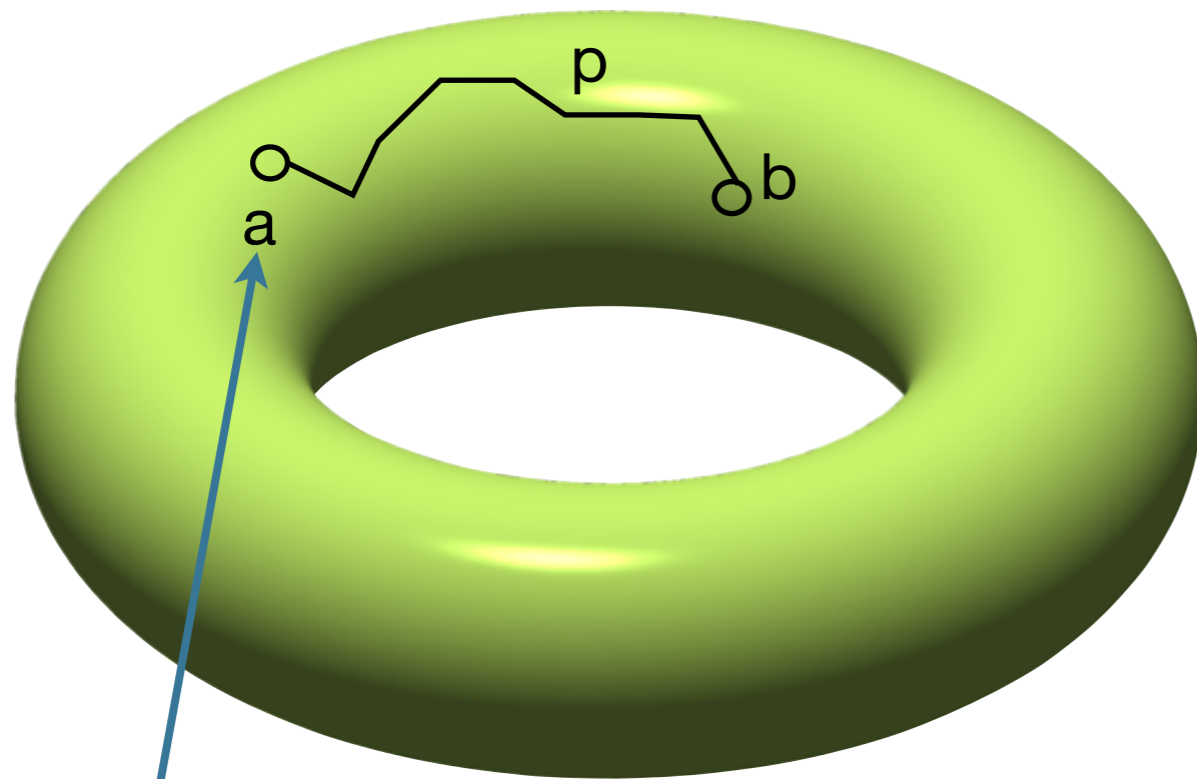
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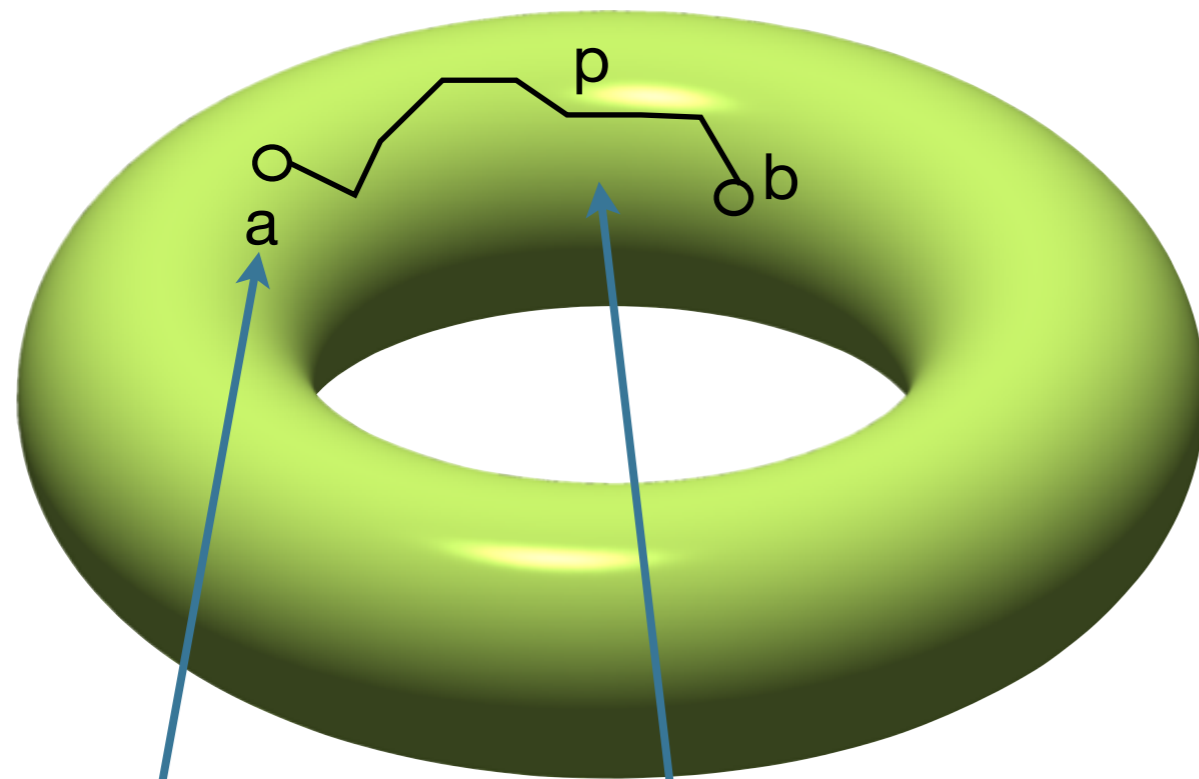


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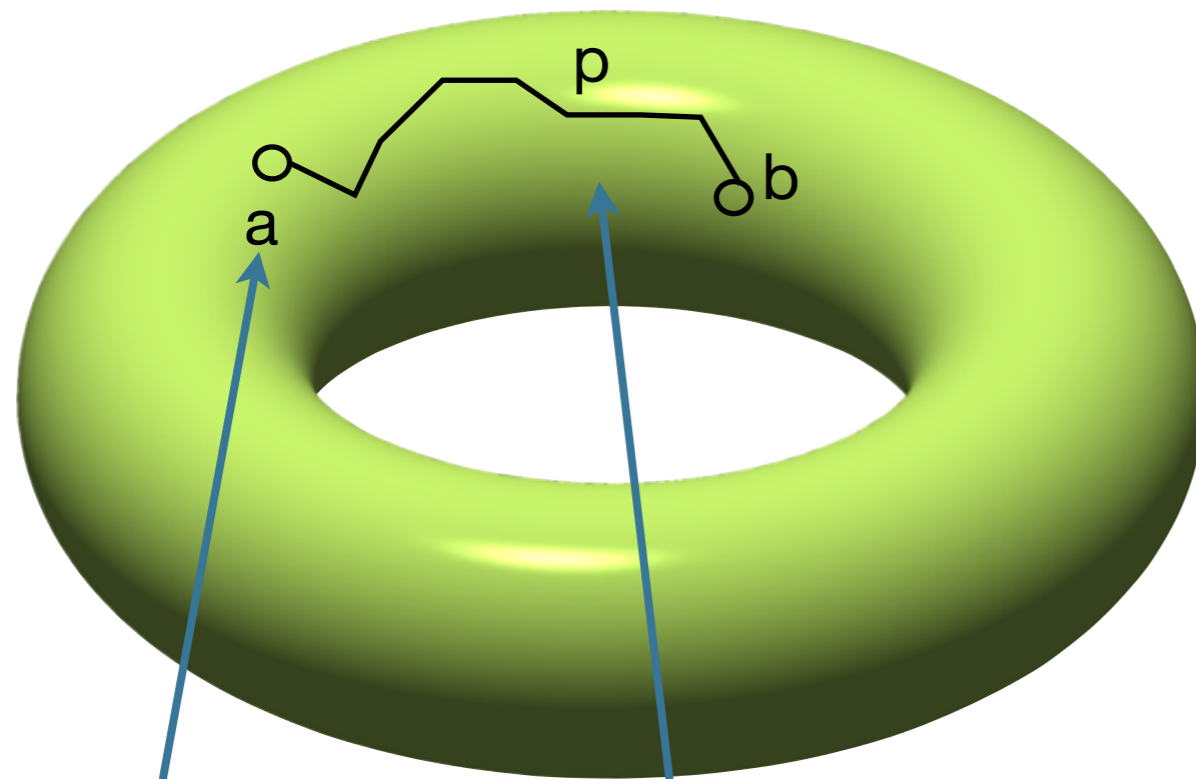
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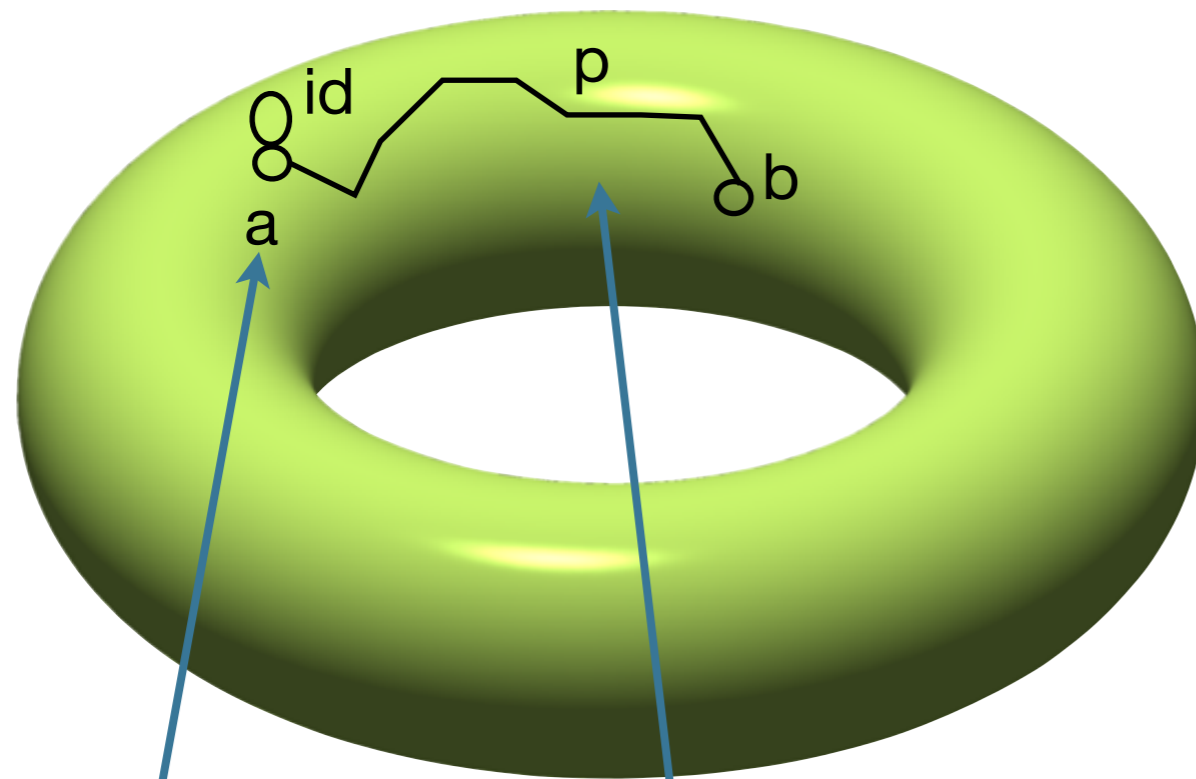
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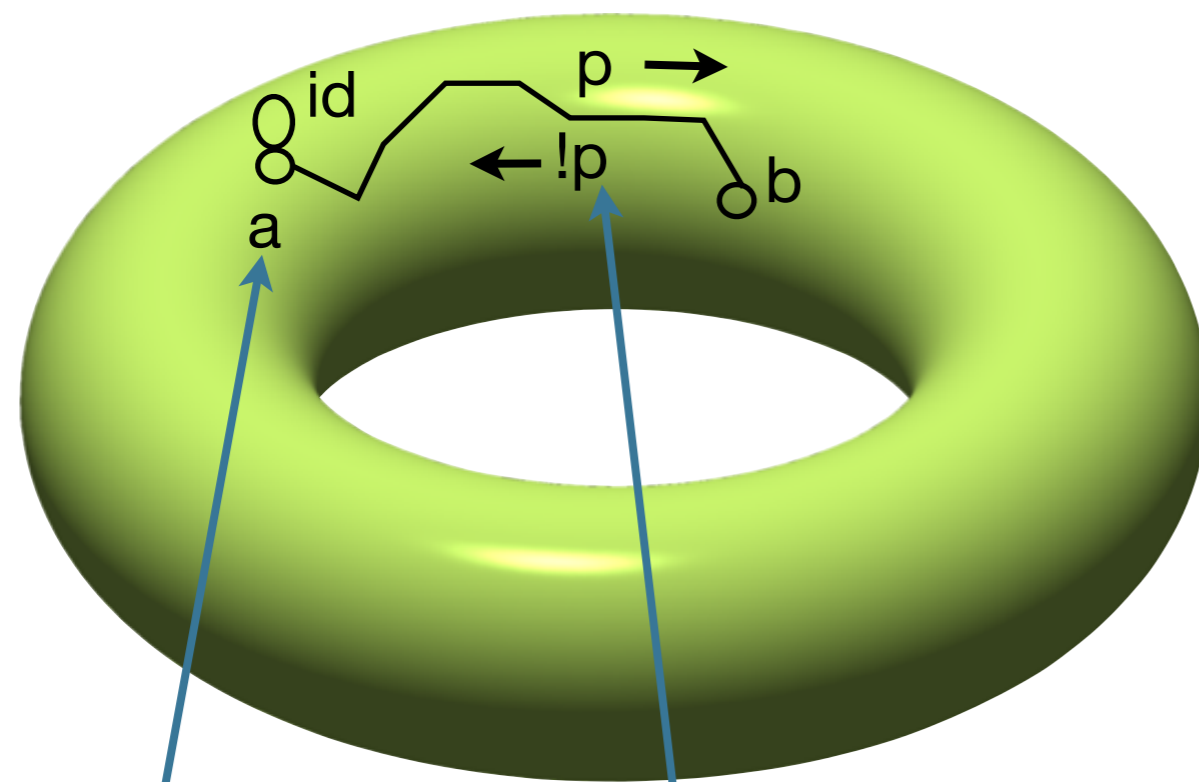
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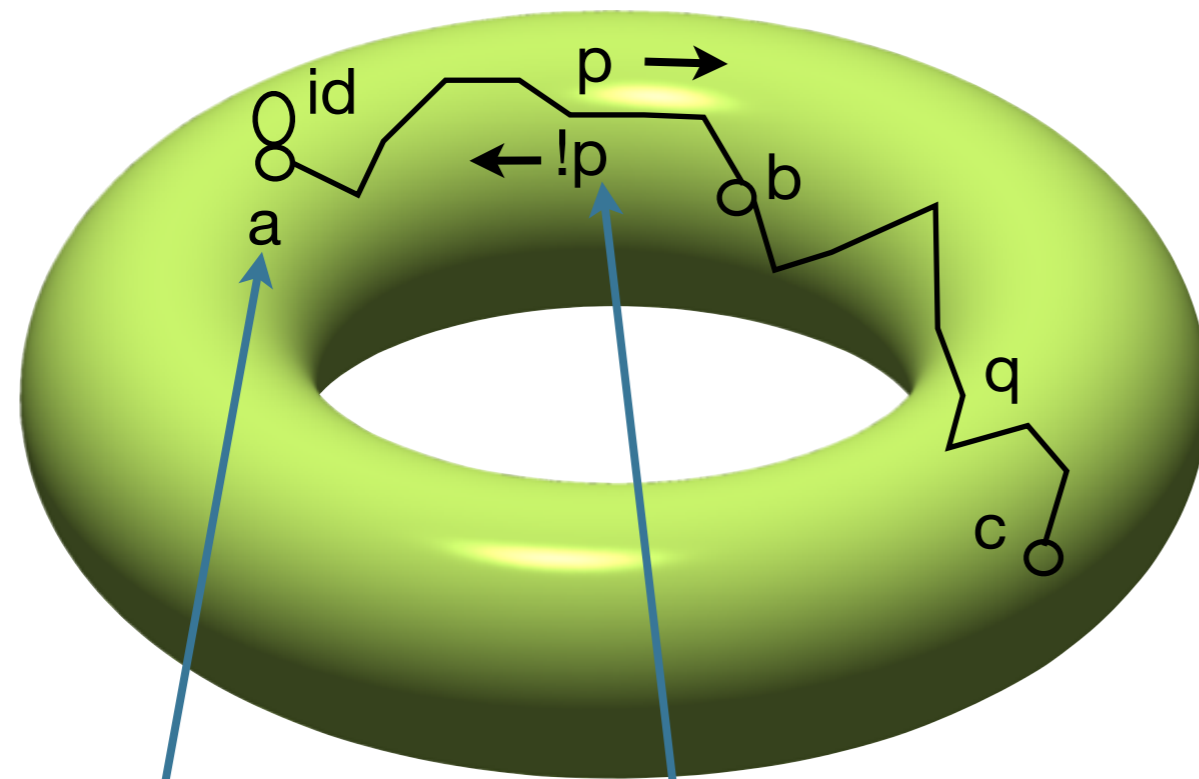
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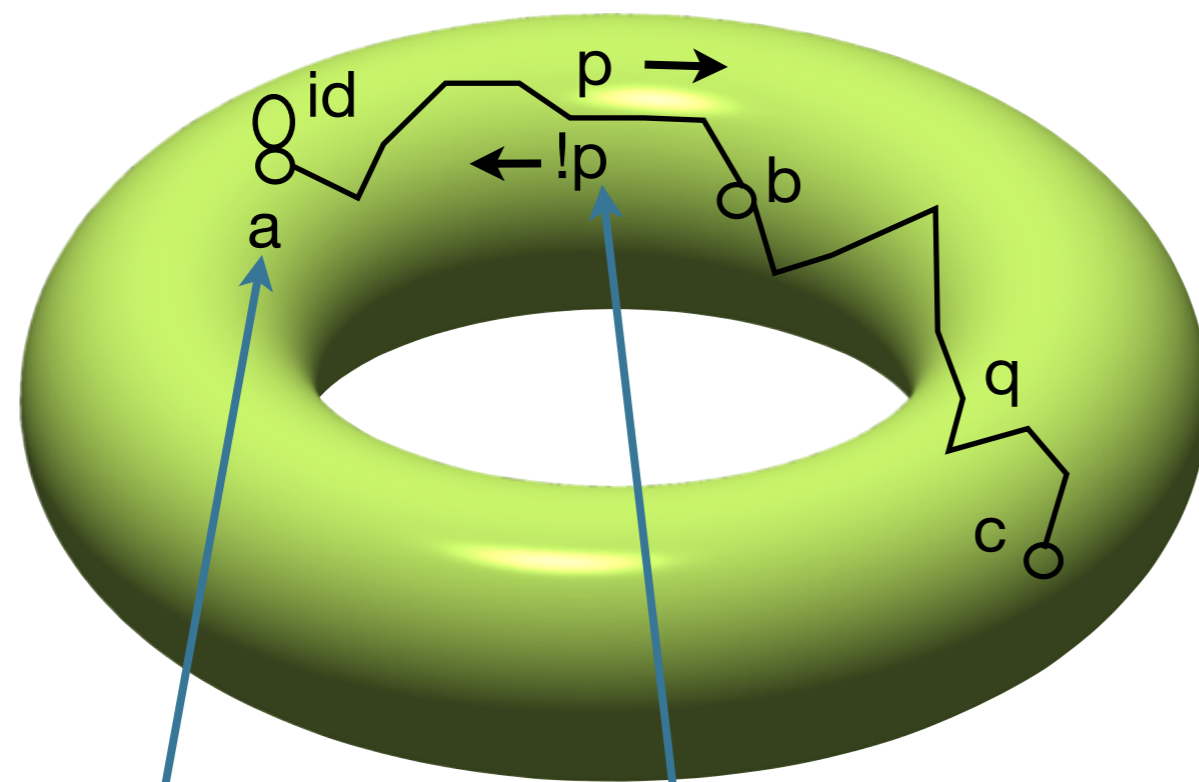
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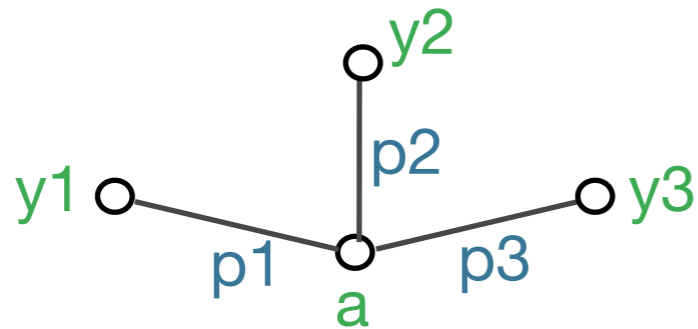
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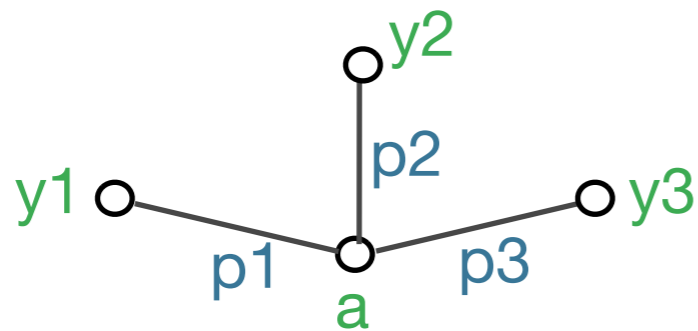
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$C(y, p)$ for all y and $p:a=y$,

suffices to give an element of

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Composition and Assoc

`_o_` : $a = b \rightarrow b = c \rightarrow a = c$

`id o p = p`

`o-assoc` : $(p : a=b)(q : b=c)(r : c=d)$

$\rightarrow p \circ (q \circ r) = (p \circ q) \circ r$

`o-assoc id id id = id`

Functions are functors

$f : A \rightarrow B$ has action at all levels

$f_1 : (a_1 \ a_2 : A)$

$\rightarrow a_1 =_A a_2 \rightarrow f(a_1) =_B f(a_2)$

$f_2 : (a_1 \ a_2 : A)(p \ p' : a_1 =_A a_2) \rightarrow$

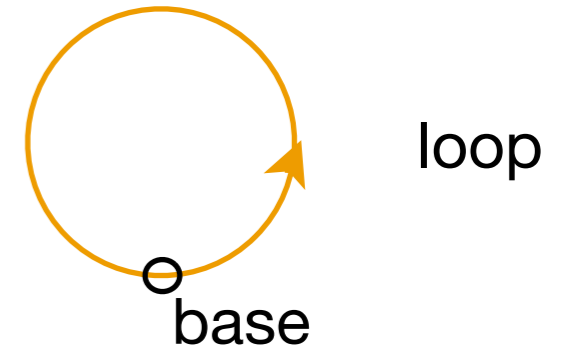
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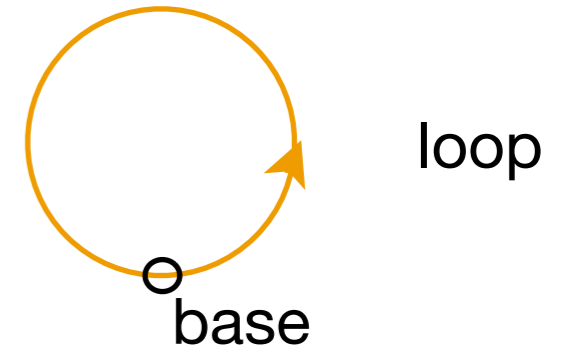


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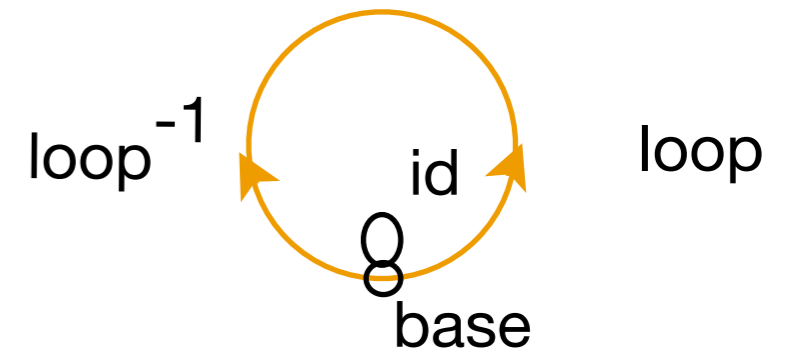


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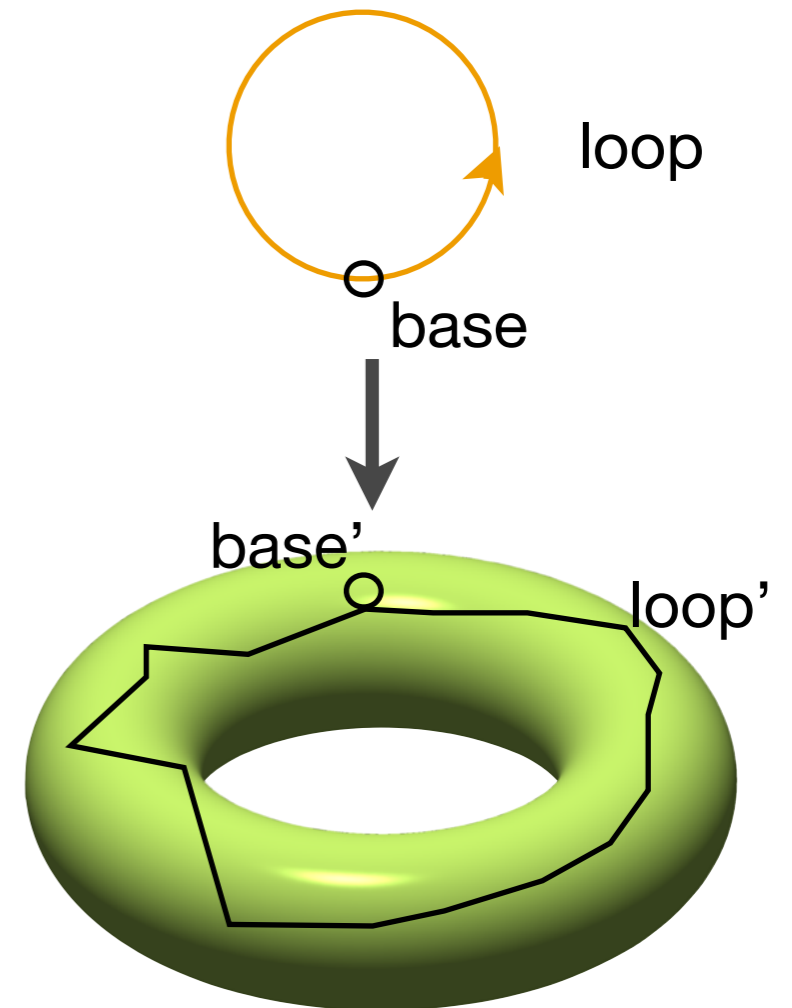
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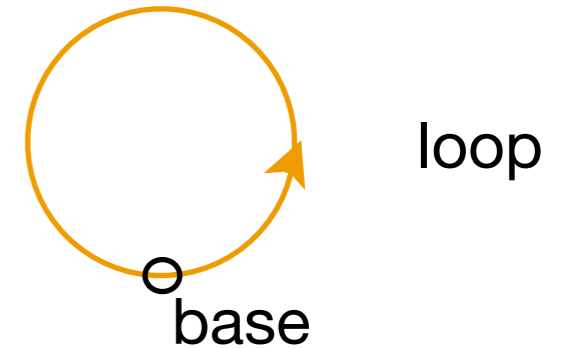
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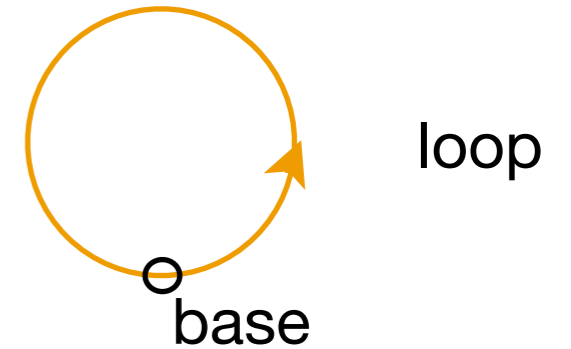
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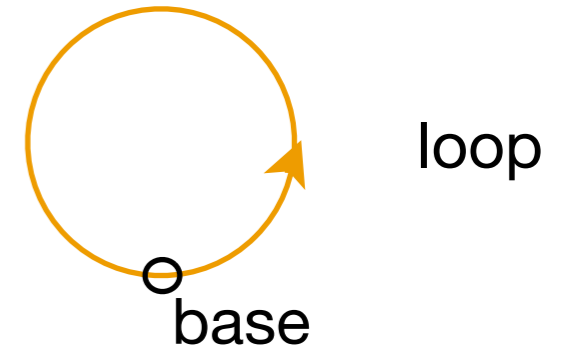
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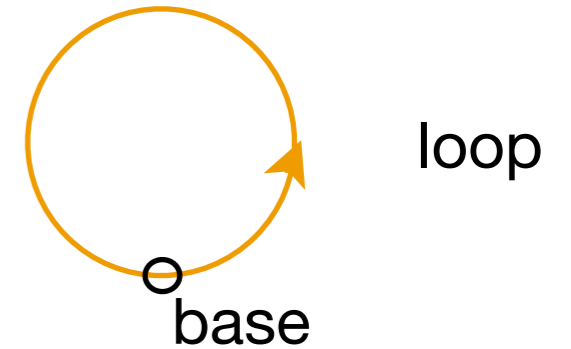


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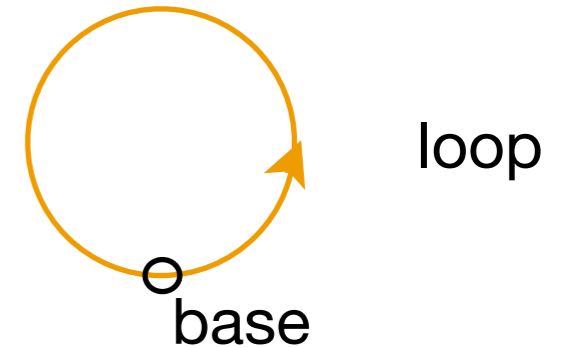
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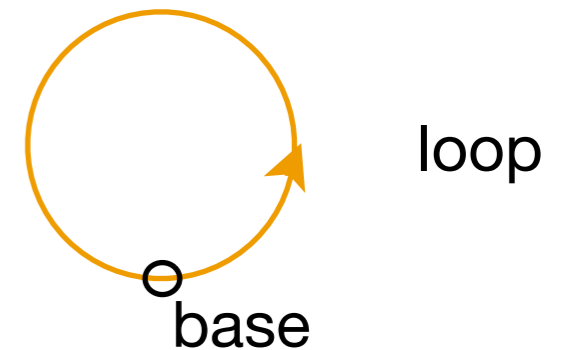
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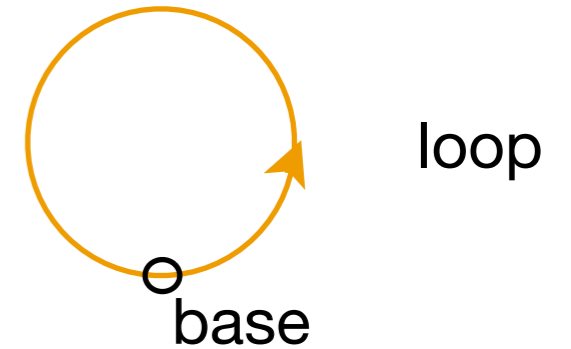
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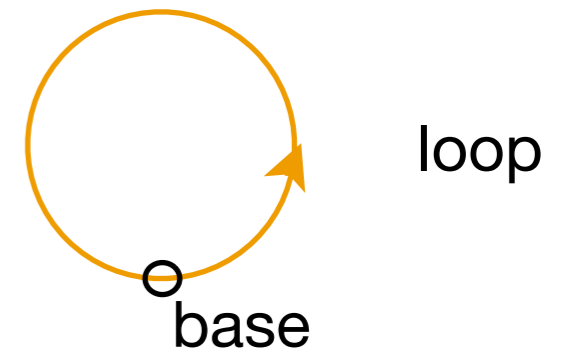
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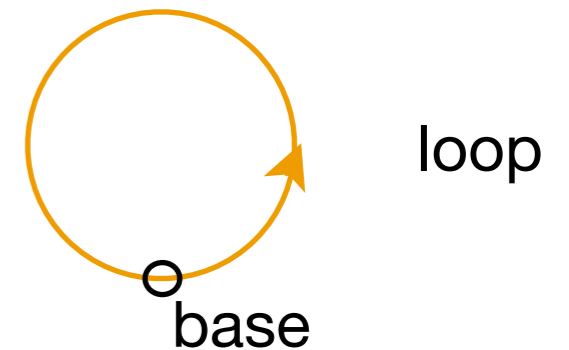
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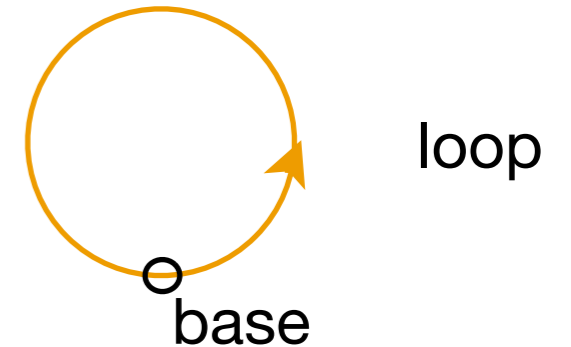
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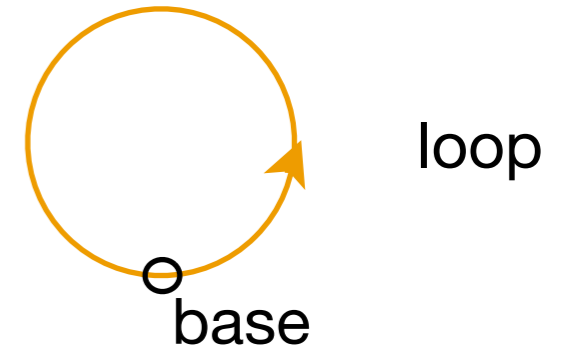
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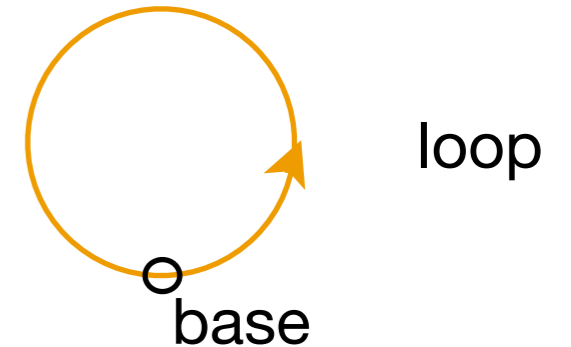
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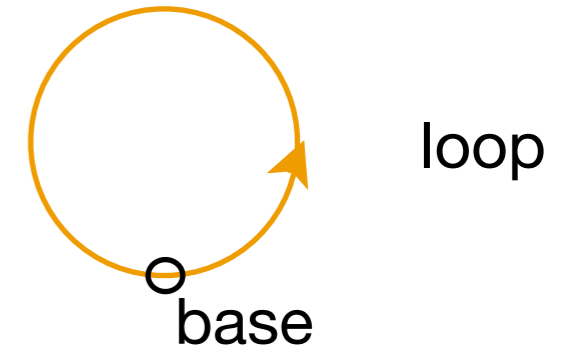
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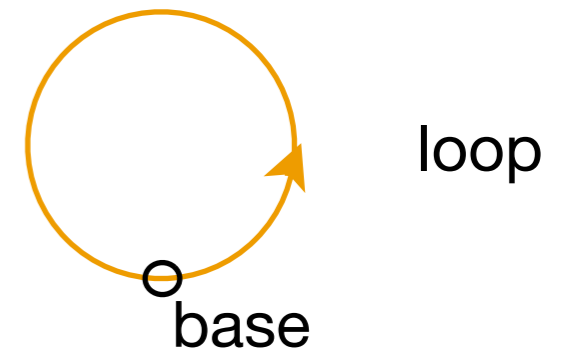
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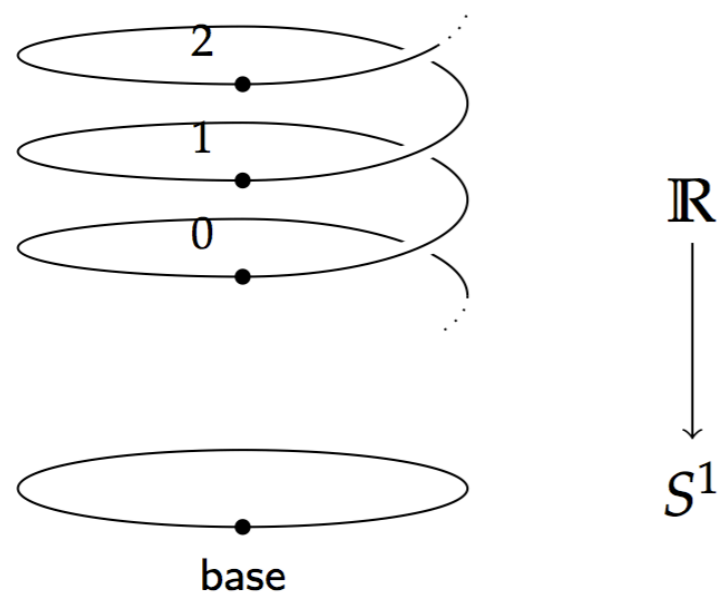
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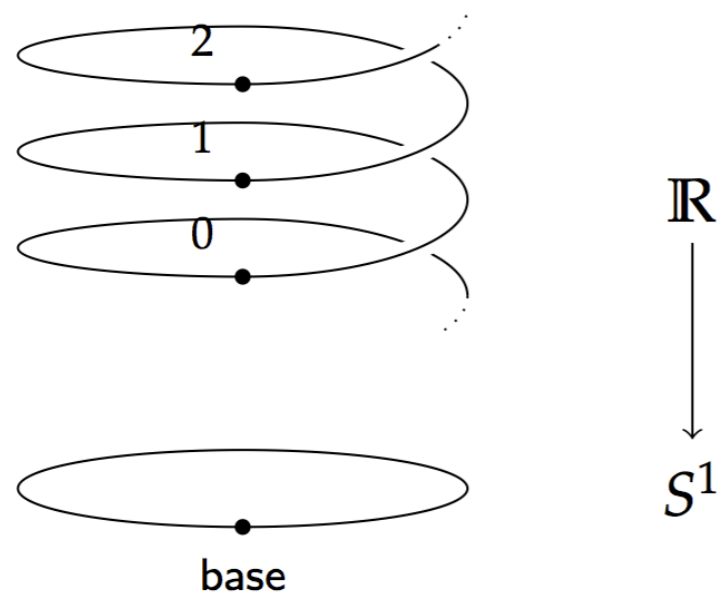
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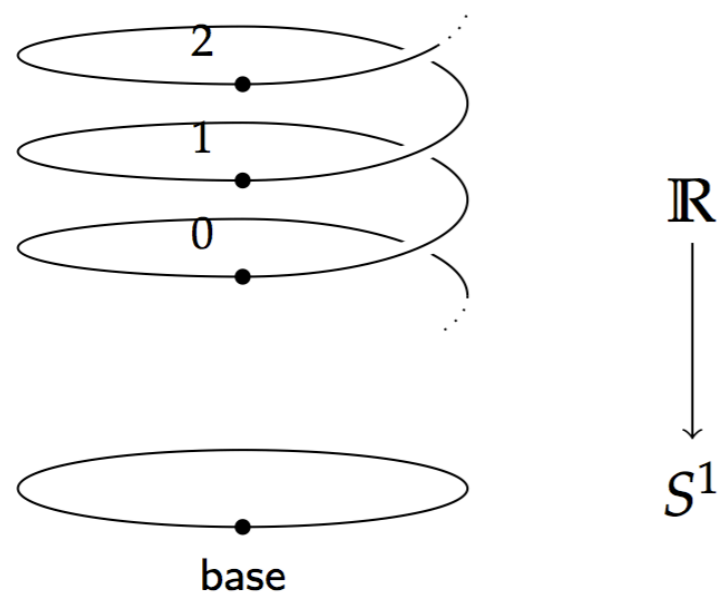
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Homotopy in HoTT

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Freudenthal

Van Kampen

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$$\pi_n(\mathbf{S}^n) = \mathbb{Z}$$

Covering spaces

Hopf fibration

$K(\mathbf{G}, n)$

**Whitehead
for n-types**

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Cohomology
axioms

$$\pi_3(\mathbf{S}^2) = \mathbb{Z}$$

Blakers-Massey

James

Construction

$$\pi_4(\mathbf{S}^3) = \mathbb{Z}?$$

**[Brunerie, Finster, Hou,
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What's next?

- ✱ Operational semantics of HITs and univalence is still an open problem in general, though some special cases are known
- ✱ Have just started exploring programming applications
- ✱ Extensions to this example: more realistic basic patches, patches that can fail (partial bijections), implement merge