

Trees in Coalgebra from Generalized Reachability



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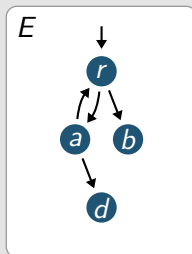
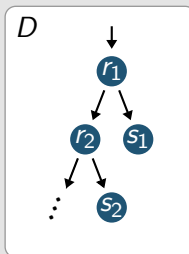
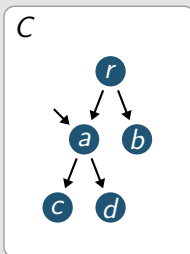
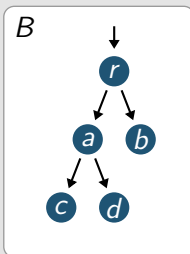
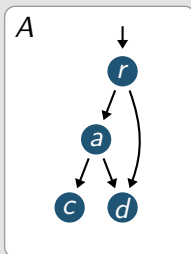
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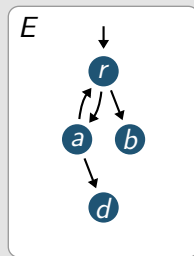
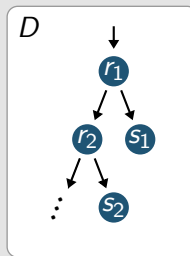
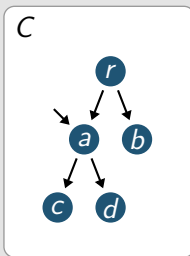
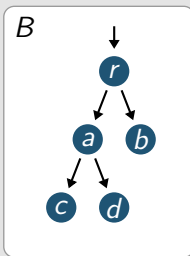
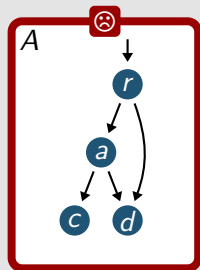
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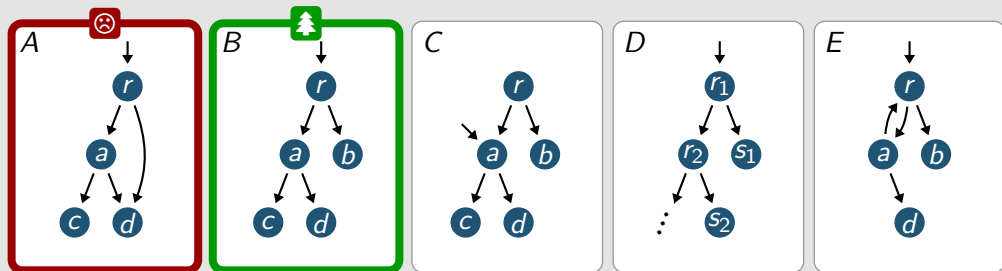
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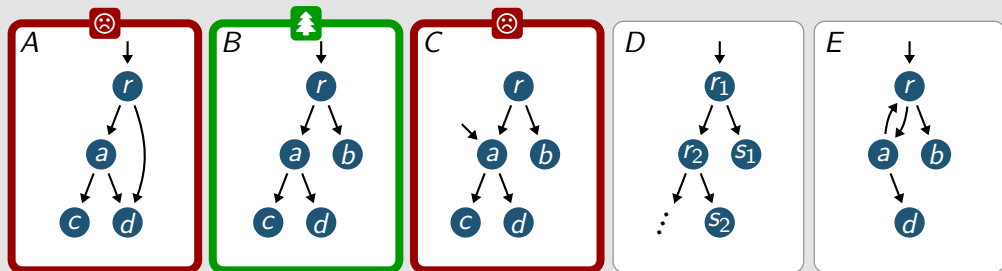
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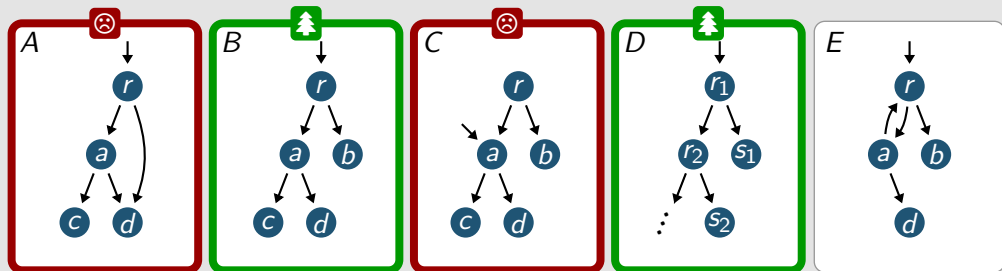
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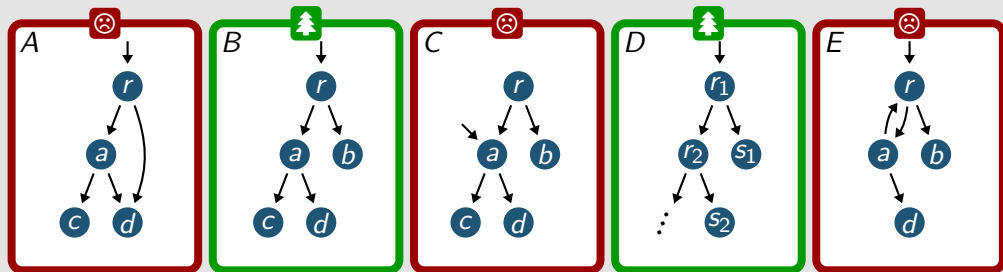
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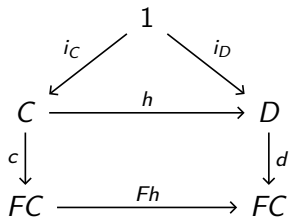


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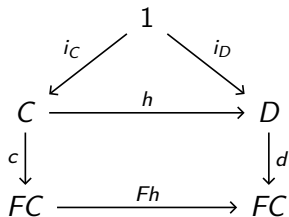
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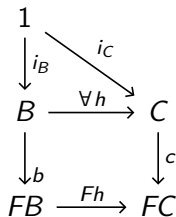
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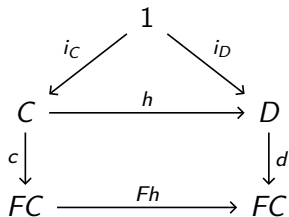
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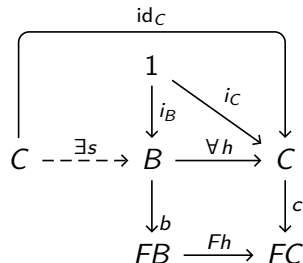
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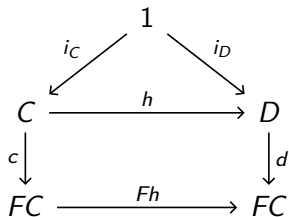
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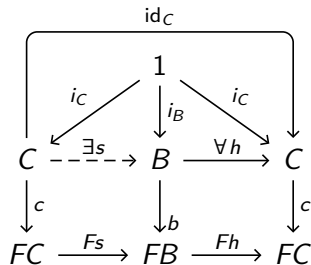
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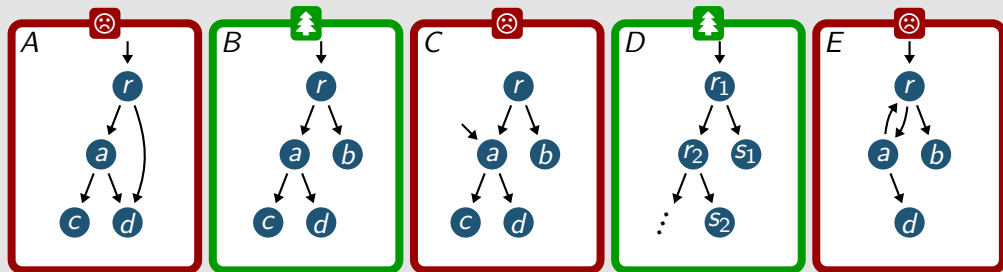
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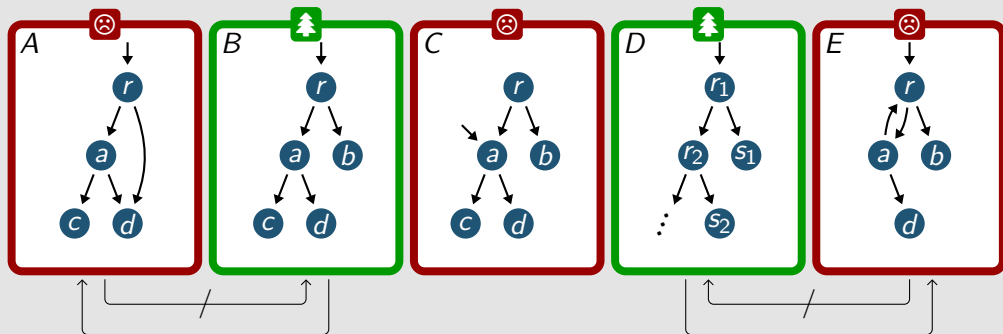
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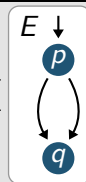
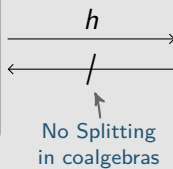
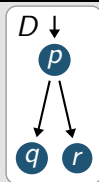
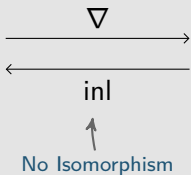
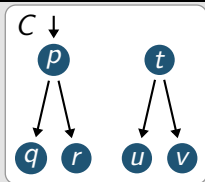
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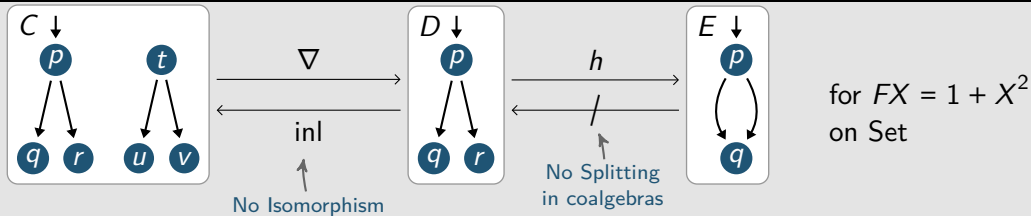
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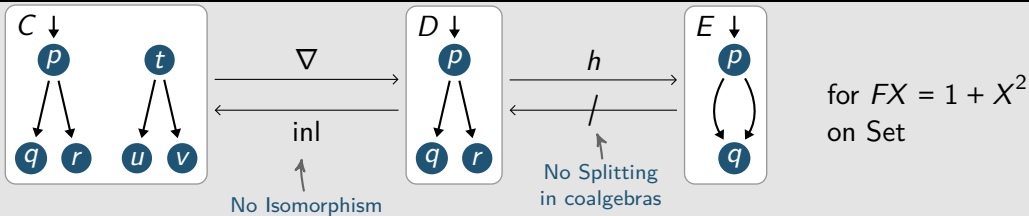
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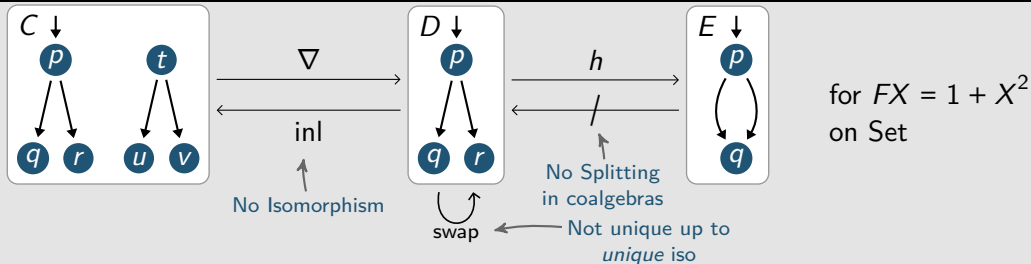
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+ closure of \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M} + diagonal lift

Examples

- $\mathcal{E} = \text{Epi}$, $\mathcal{M} = \text{Mono}$ in Set
- $\mathcal{E} = \text{Iso}$, $\mathcal{M} = \text{Mor}$ in every category
- If $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M})$ in \mathcal{C} , $F: \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$, $F[\mathcal{M}] \subseteq \mathcal{M} \implies (\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M})$ in $\text{Coalg}_1(F)$ Wißmann '22

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Get rid of assumption ~~$\mathcal{M} \subseteq \text{Mono}$~~ of Wißmann, Milius, Katsumata, Dubut '19

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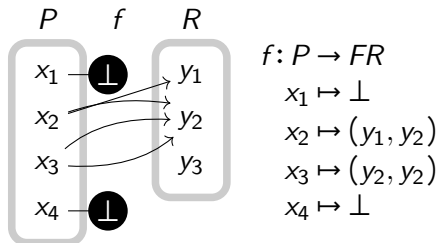
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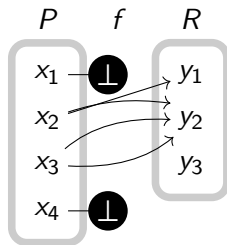
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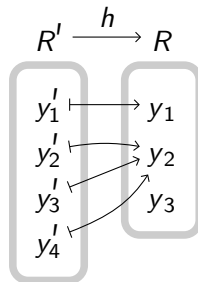


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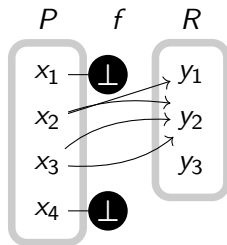


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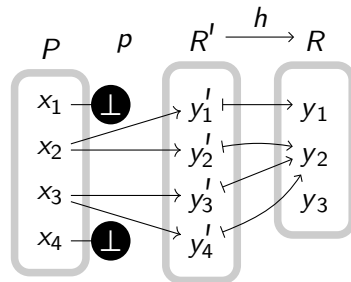
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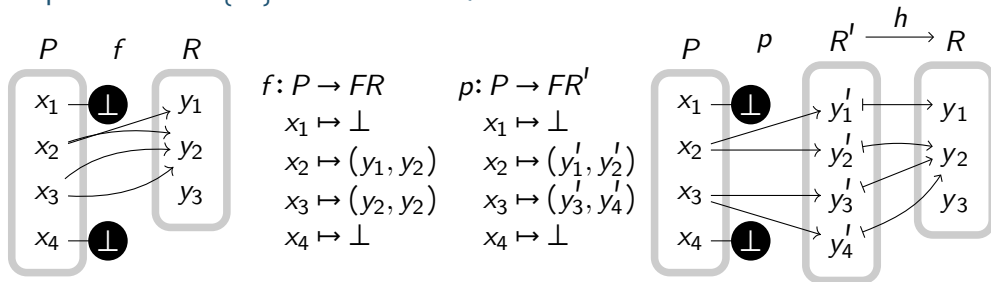
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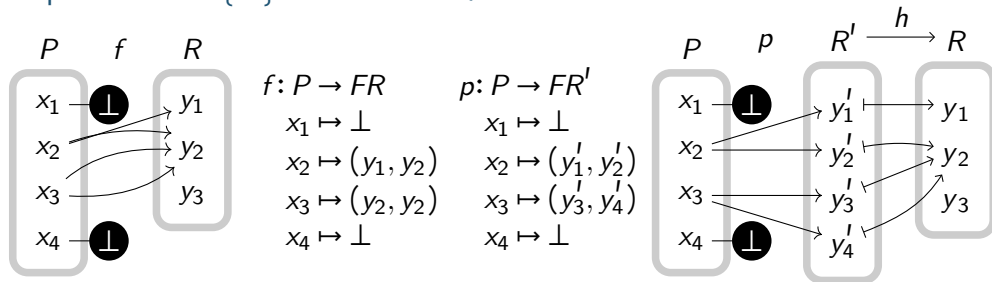


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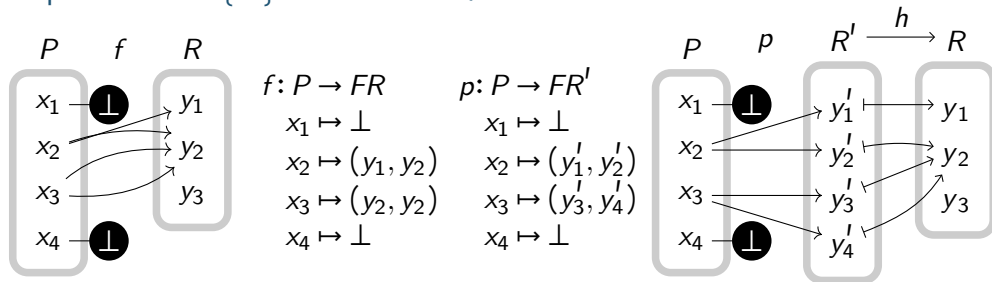
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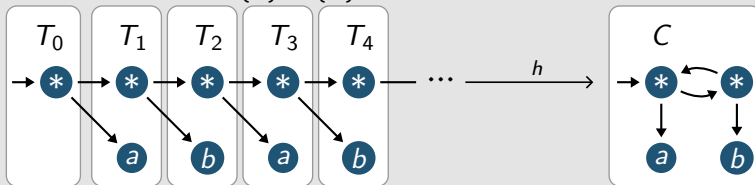
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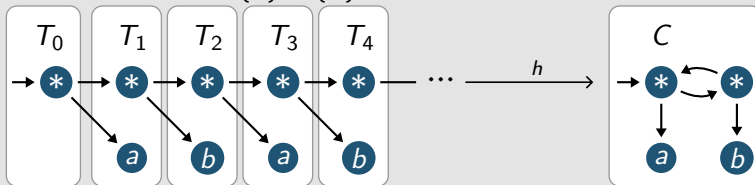
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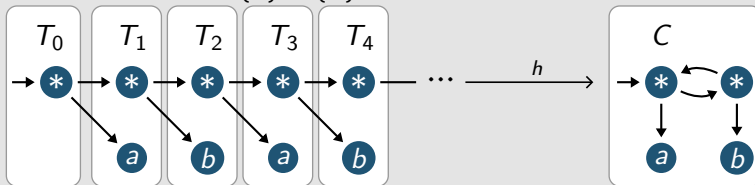
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↑ Instance

Our Construction for final coalgebras in Set :

For every element $e \in \nu F$, consider the pointed coalgebra

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Its tree unravelling = Adamek & Porst's tree coalgebra.

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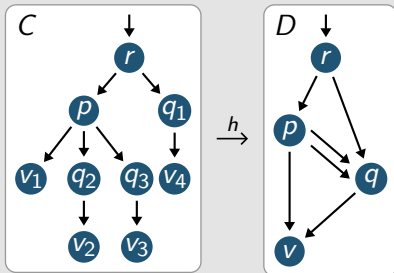
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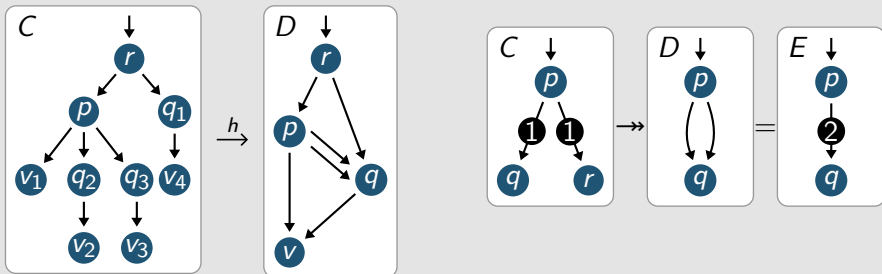


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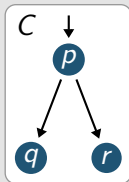
No precise maps for powerset $\mathcal{P}: \text{Set} \rightarrow \text{Set}$

$$p: P \rightarrow \mathcal{P}R \text{ is } \mathcal{P}\text{-precise} \iff R = \emptyset$$

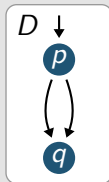


\mathcal{P} -Coalgebras

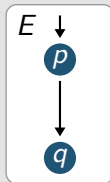
☹ Only one tree: the \mathcal{P} -coalgebra of one state and no transitions.



$$\xrightarrow[h]{\begin{array}{l} p \mapsto p \\ q \mapsto q \\ r \mapsto q \end{array}}$$



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$$\begin{array}{ll} d(p) = \{q, q\} & d(q) = \emptyset \\ e(p) = \{q\} & e(q) = \emptyset \end{array}$$

Conclusions

- Being a tree = instance of reachability
 - ⇒ Leveraging reachability to arbitrary $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{M})$ -factorizations
- Universal property of tree unravellings
 - ⇒ Unique up to iso \neq Unique up to *unique* iso
- Construction & existence of the tree unravelling and \mathcal{M} -reachability
 - ⇒ Subsumes earlier explicit definitions for polynomial functors by Adamek & Porst
 - ⇒ Also works for all analytic Set-functors ...
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