

# Diagrammatic Methods for the Specification and Verification of Quantum Algorithms

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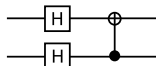
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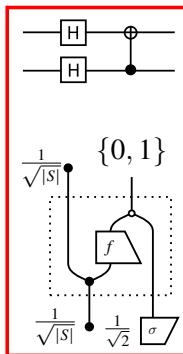
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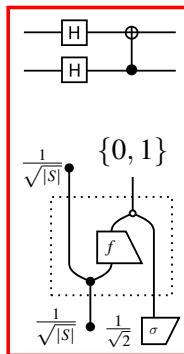
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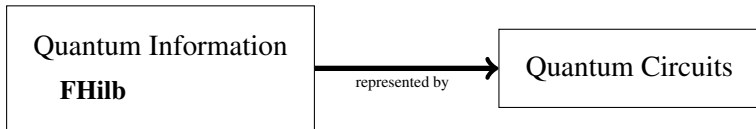
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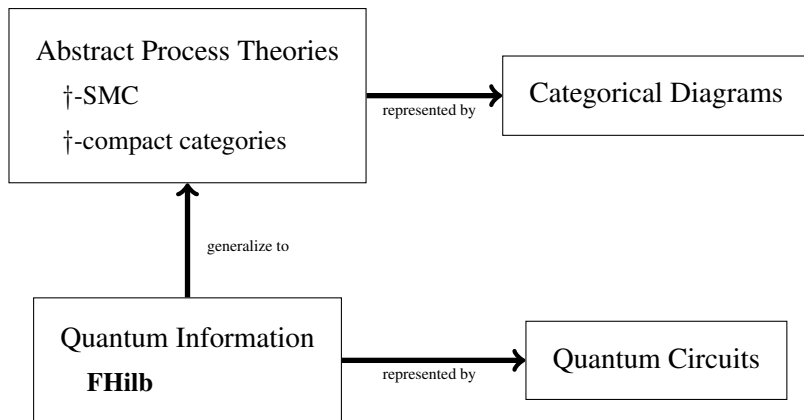
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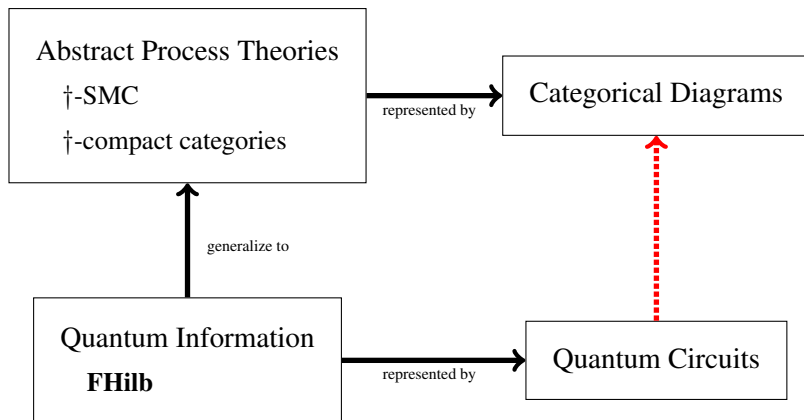


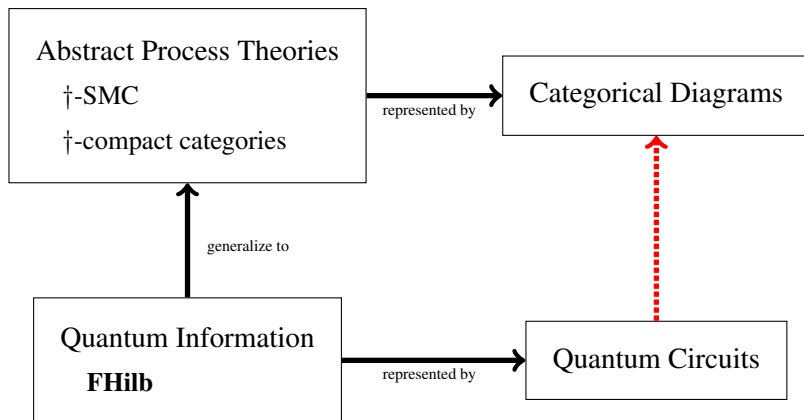
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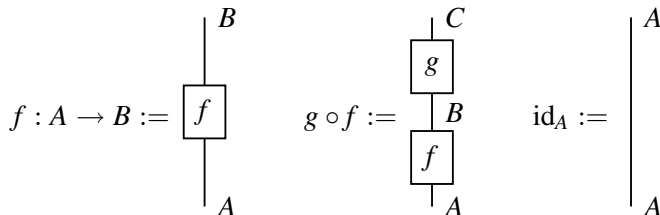
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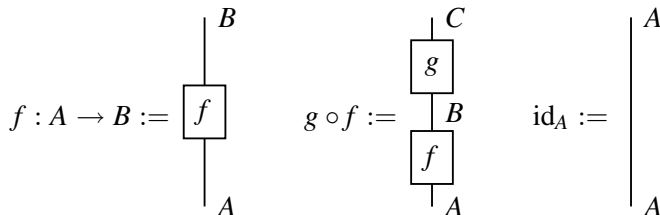
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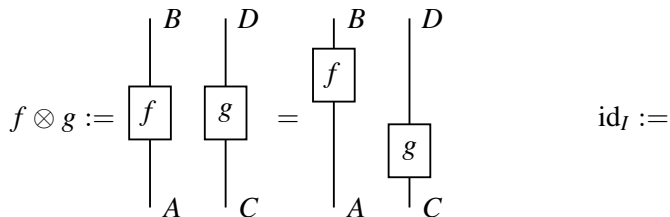
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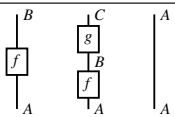
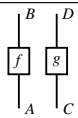
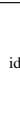


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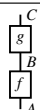

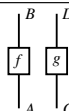
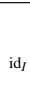




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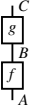

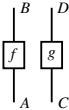
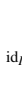


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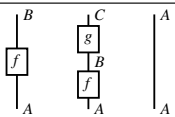
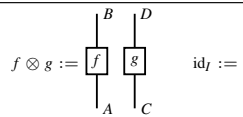


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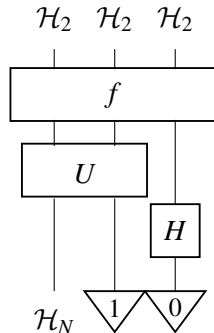
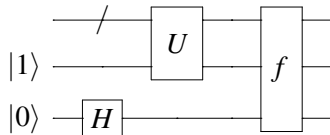
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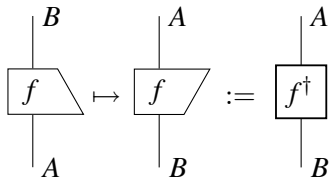
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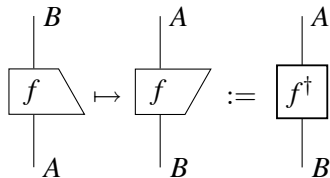
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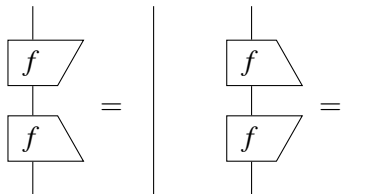


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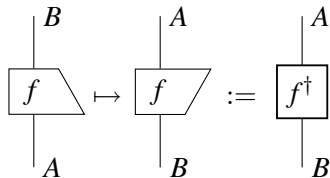
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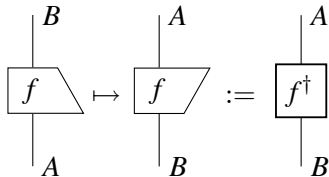


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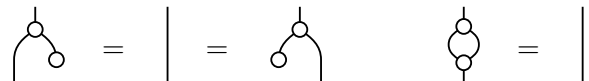
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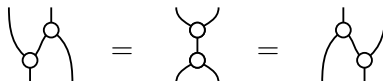
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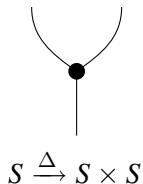
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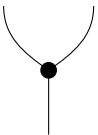




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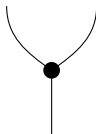


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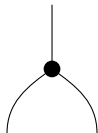
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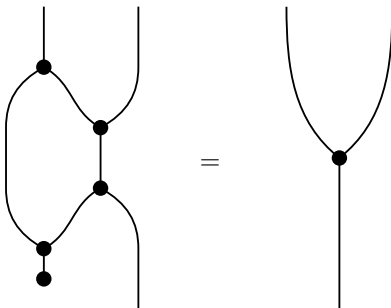
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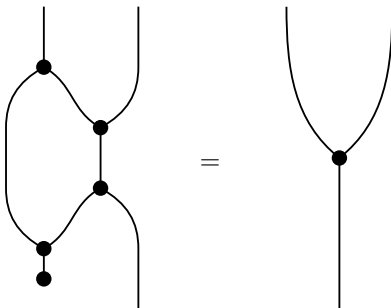
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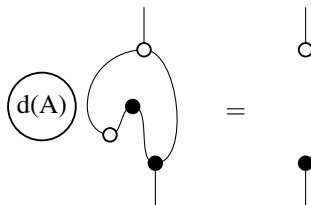


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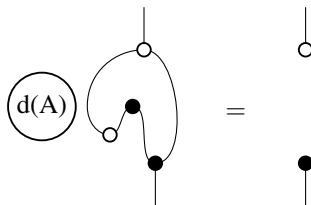
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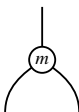
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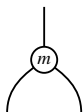
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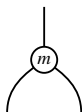


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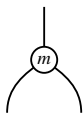


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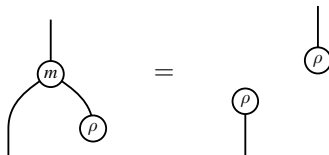
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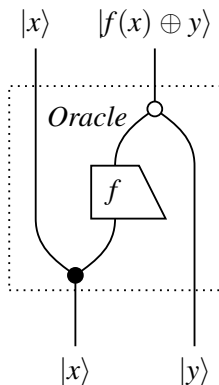
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- ▶ **[Gogioso & WZ]:** Pairs of strongly complementary observables correspond to Fourier transforms between their bases.\*

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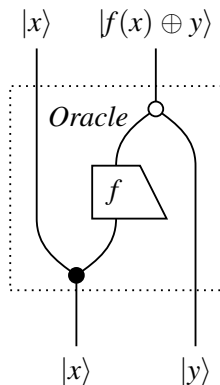
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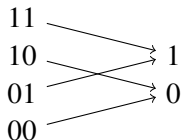
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- **[WZ & Vicary 1406.1278]:** For  $f$  to map between bases is a self-conjugate comonoid homomorphism. Oracles with this abstract structure are unitary in general.

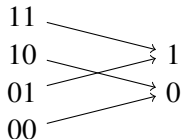
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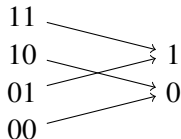
## Definition (The Deutsch-Jozsa problem)

Given a blackbox function  $f$  promised to be either *constant* or *balanced*, identify which.

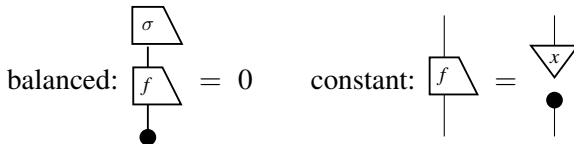
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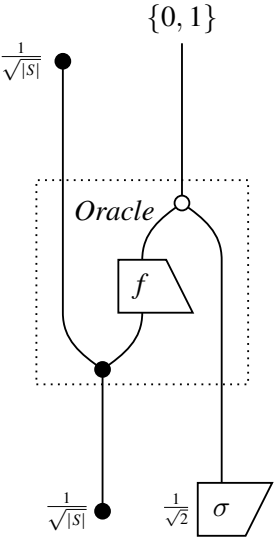
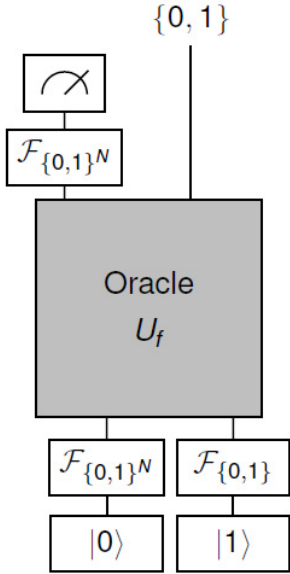
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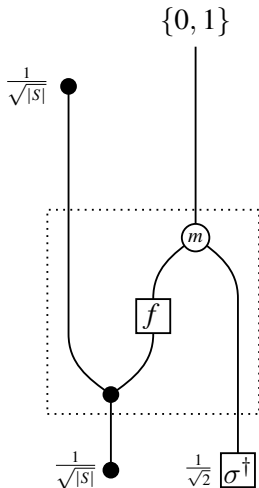


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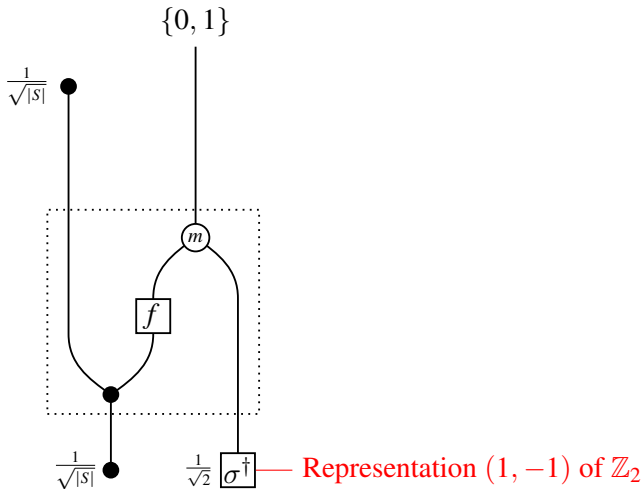
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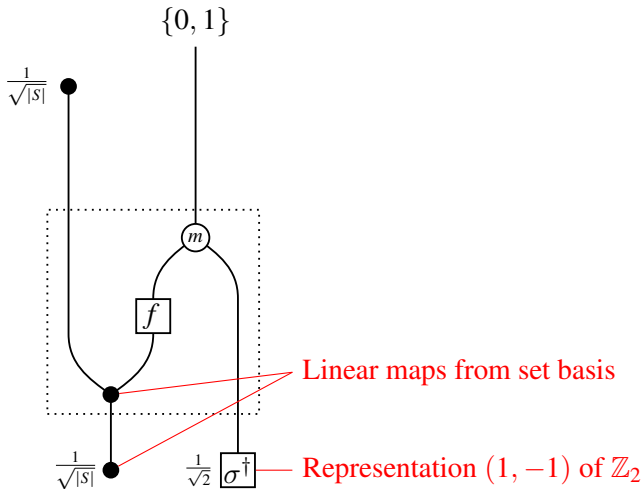
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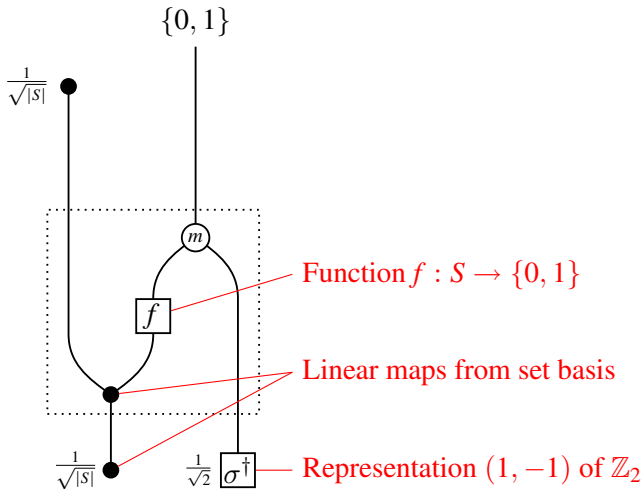
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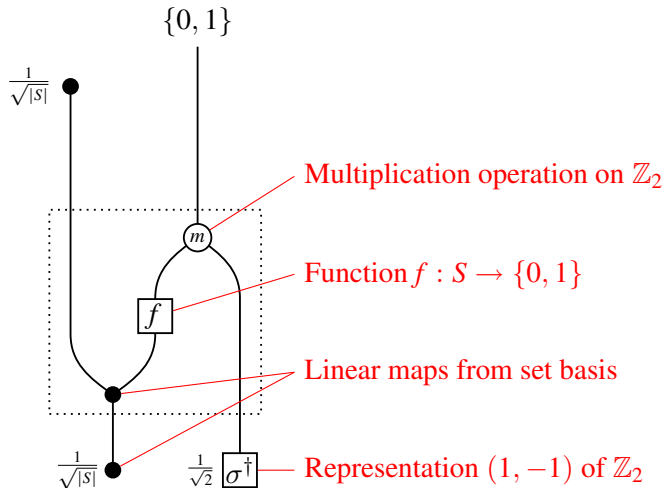
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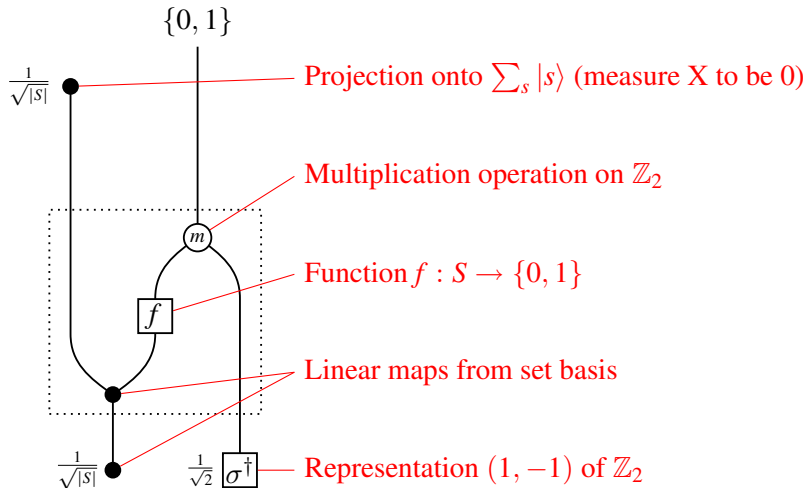
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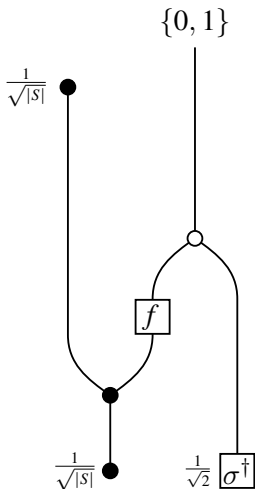
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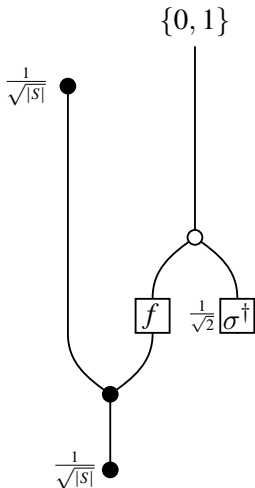
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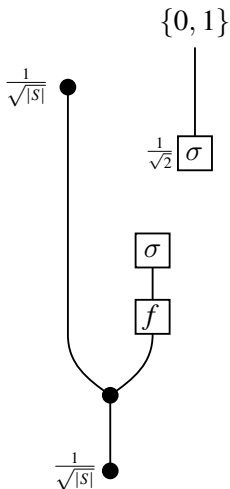
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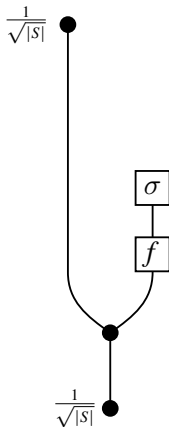
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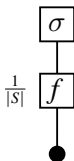
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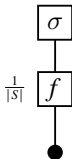


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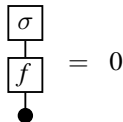
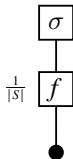
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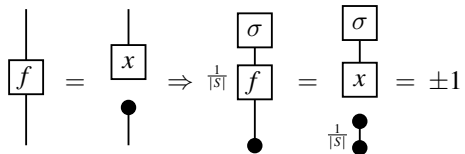
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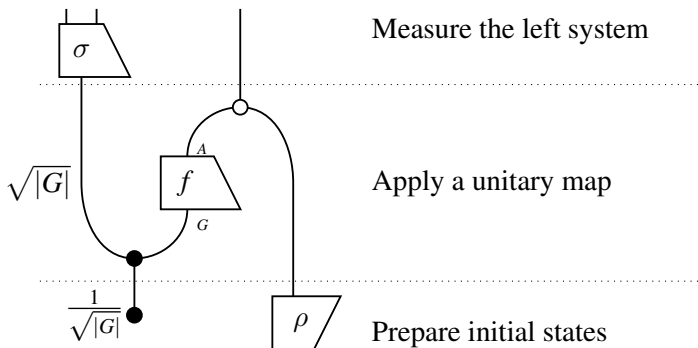
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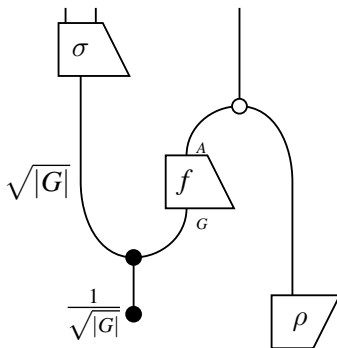
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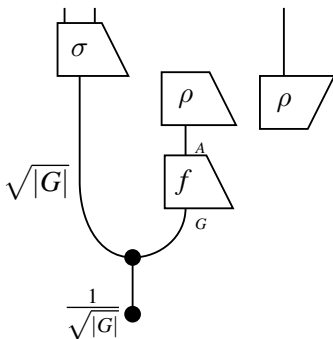
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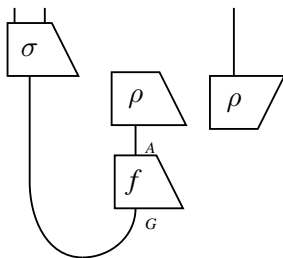
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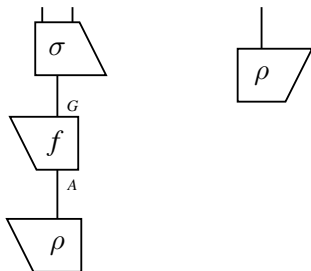
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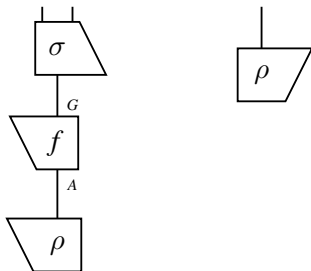
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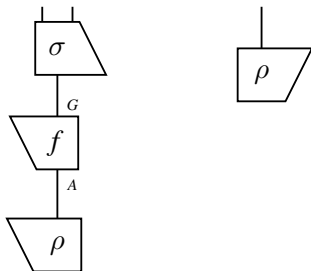
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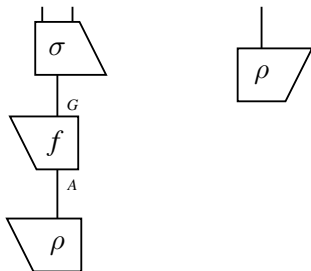
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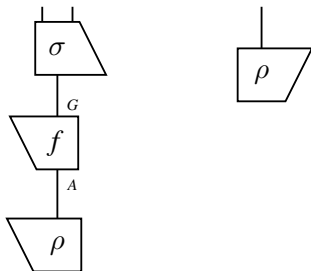
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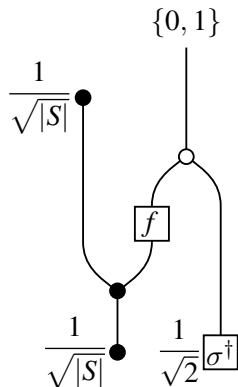
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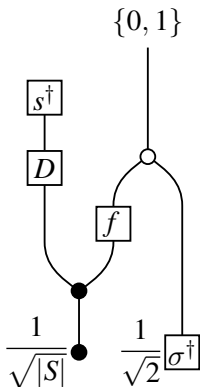
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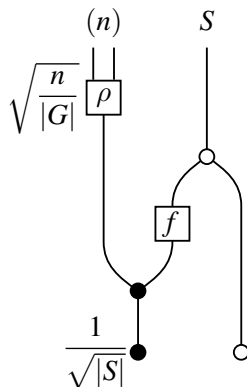
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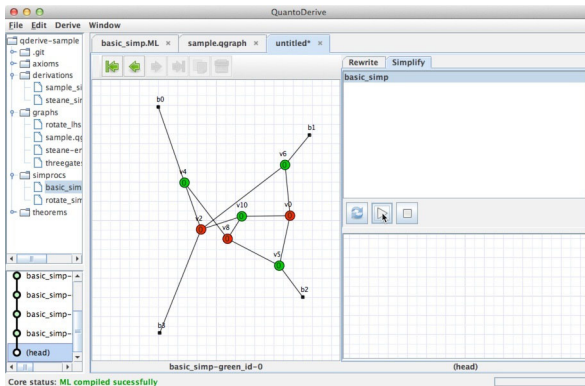
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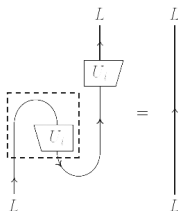
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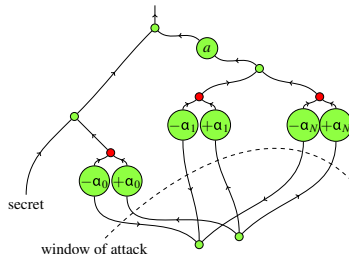
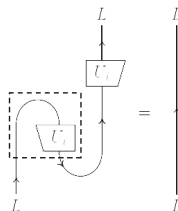
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