

Abstract interpretation of concurrent, higher- order programs

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Goal: MHP & CFA
for concurrent,
higher-order
programs

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Semantic design

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Semantic design & engineering

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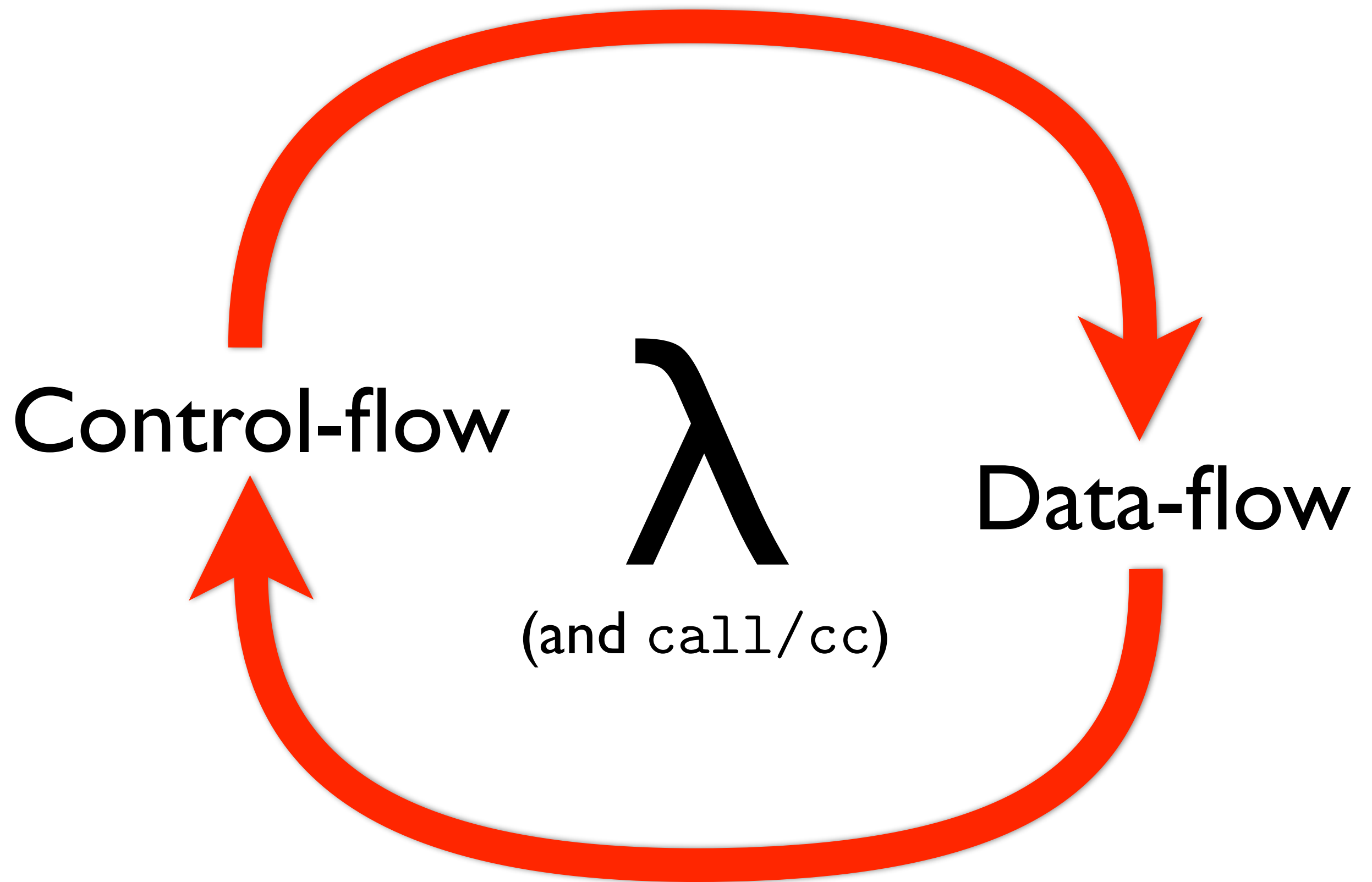
More in paper

- Thread polyvariance
- More formal semantics
- More on parallel `call/cc`

Challenges

Higher-order is hard.

λ



But, we can do it.

Parallelism is hard.

Thread 1

$a := 3$

$b := x + y$

$c := z * x$

Thread 2

$x := 10$

$y := a + b$

$z := c + x$

Thread 1

Thread 2

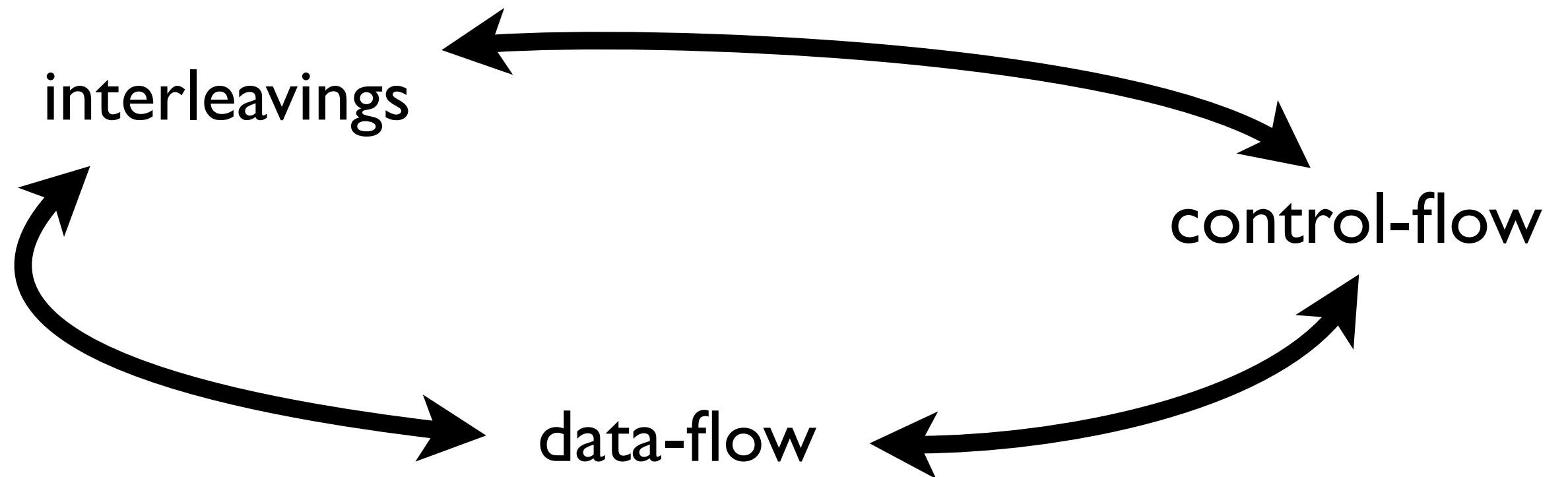
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x := 10
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(Yahav, 2001)

Parallel & higher-order?



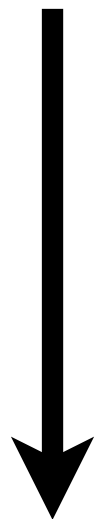
Close in one; call in another.



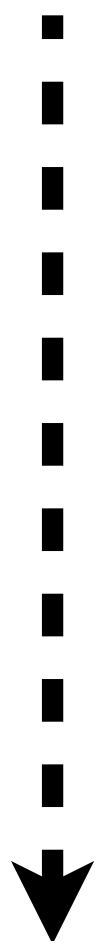
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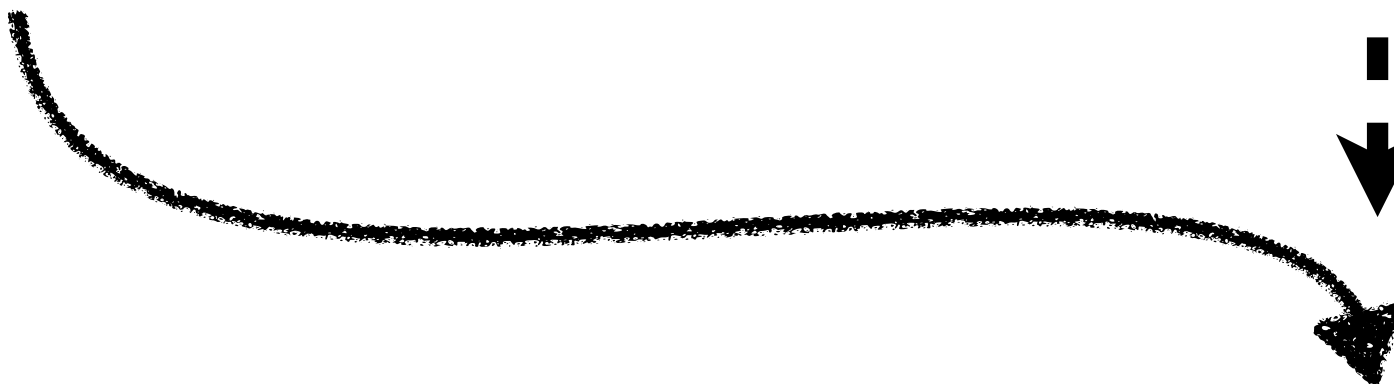
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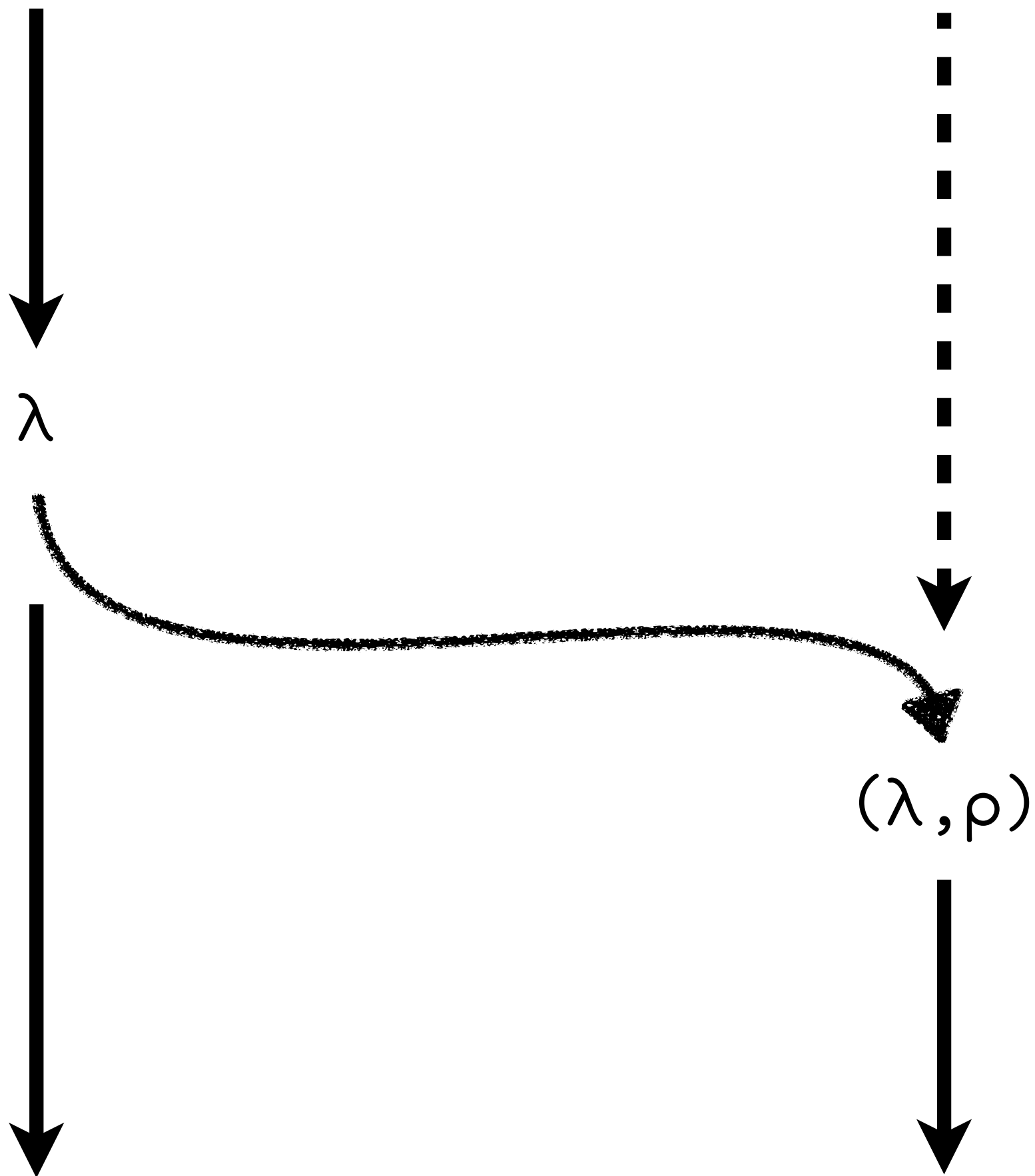


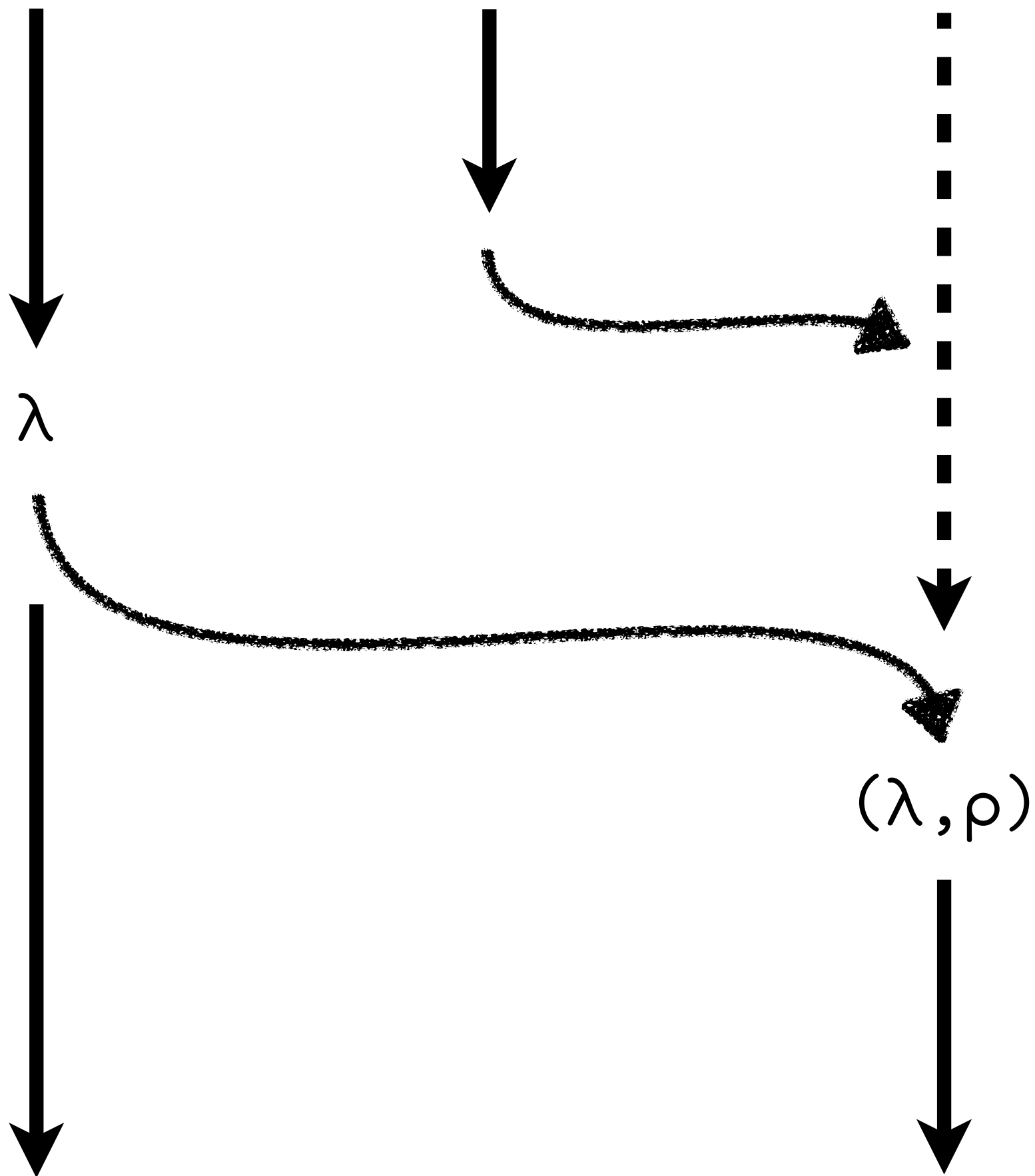
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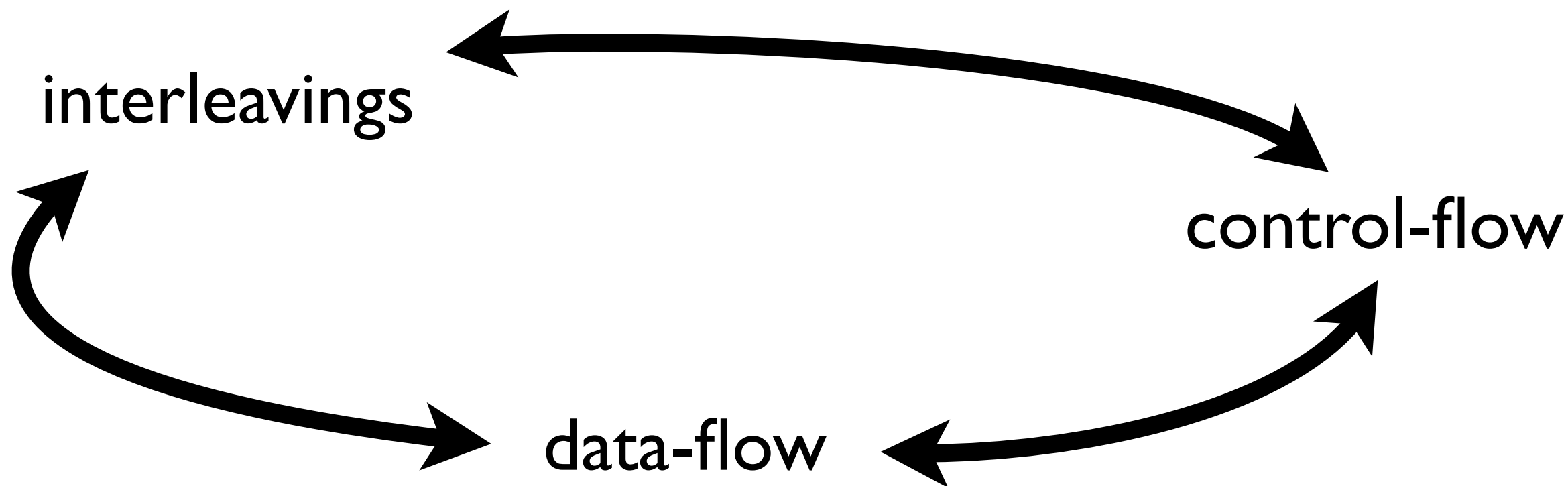
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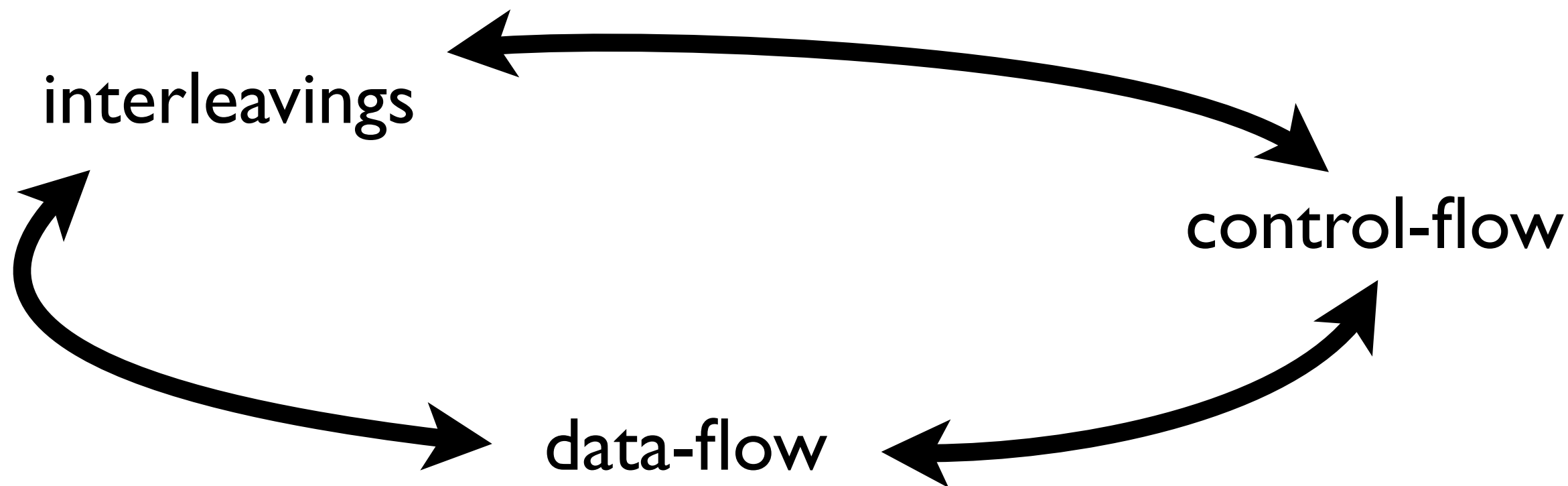


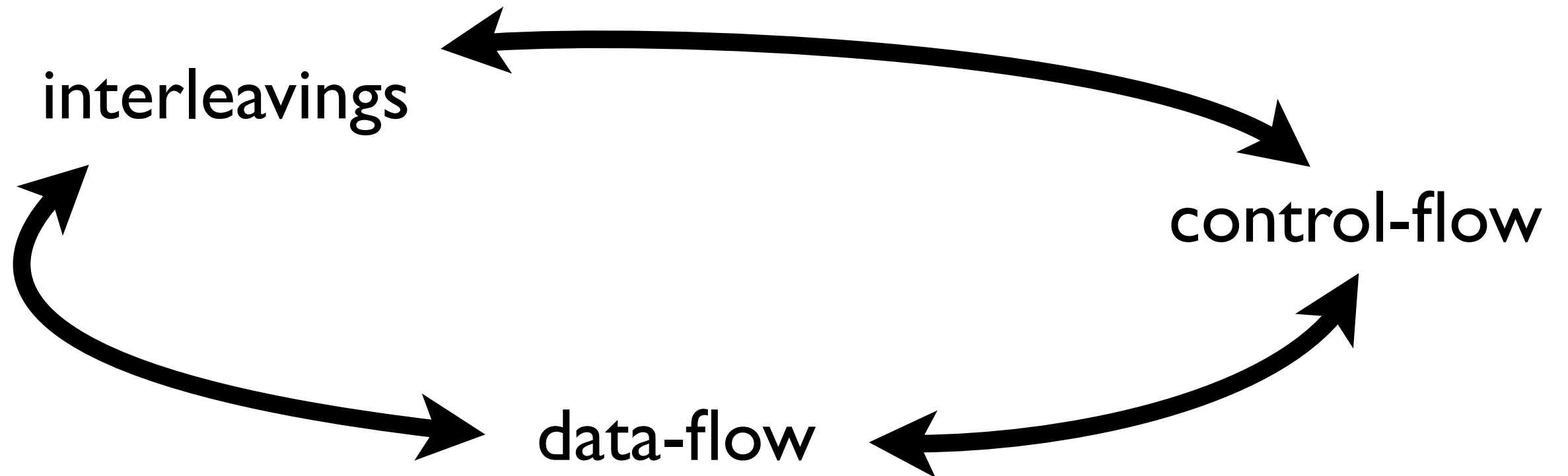
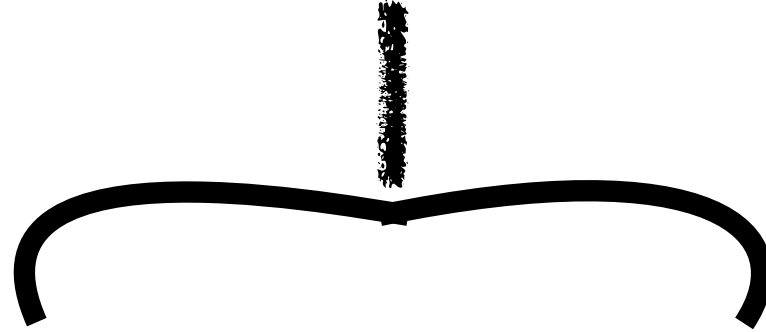


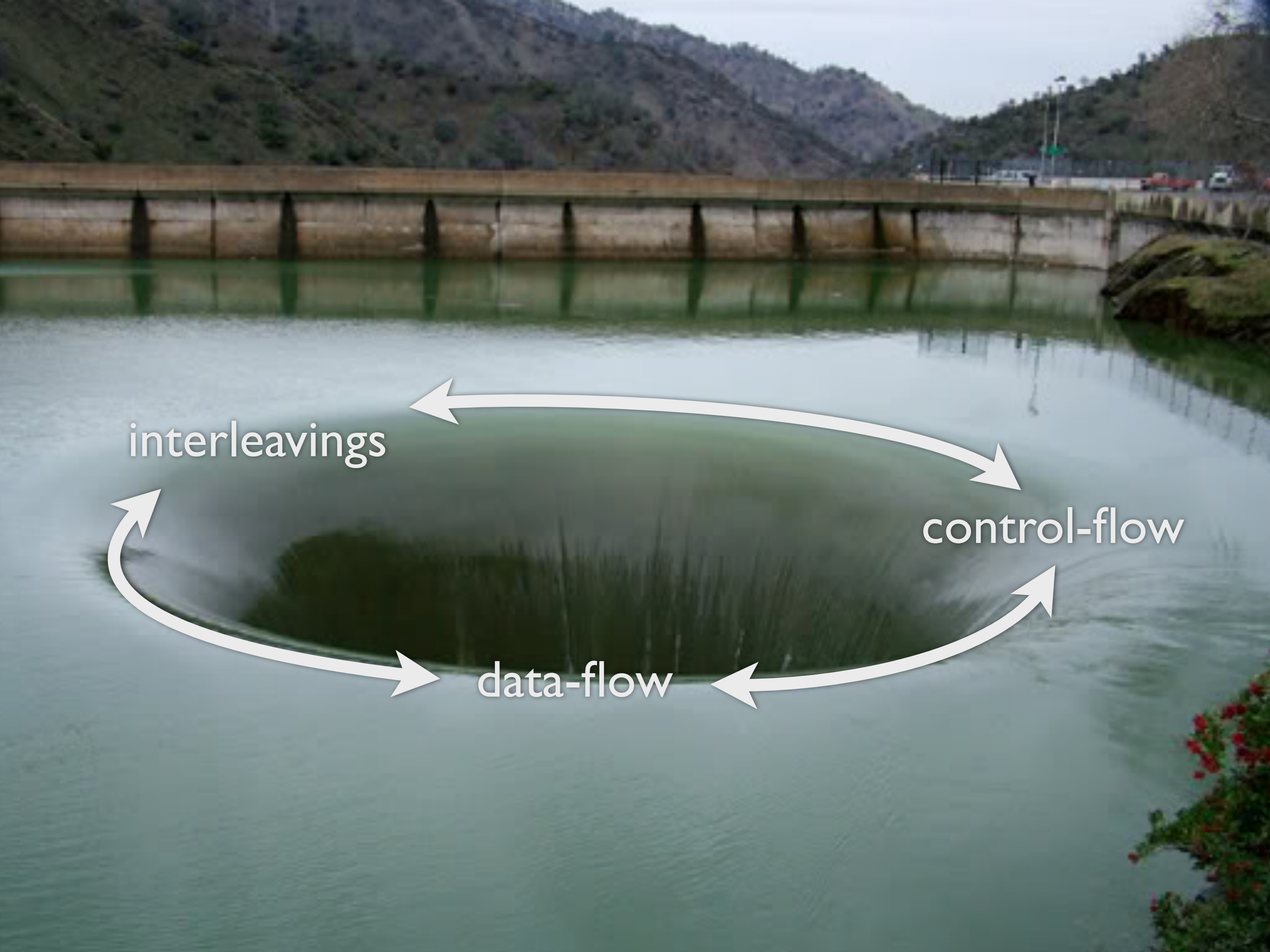
call/cc



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interleavings

control-flow

data-flow

data-flow

Catch in one; throw in another.

(call/cc

`(call/cc (λ (cc)`

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(spawn

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(call/cc (λ (cc)
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Wanted: MHP & CFA

Reëngineer the CESH machine

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Analyze thread 'shape' for MHP

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Analyze thread 'shape' for MHP

Abstract MHP again for CFA

A-normalized λ -calculus

+ spawn, join, cas!

+ call/cc, if, set!

CESK

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(Felleisen & Friedman, 1986)

$P(CEK)S$

$P(\text{CEK}^*)S$

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state-space

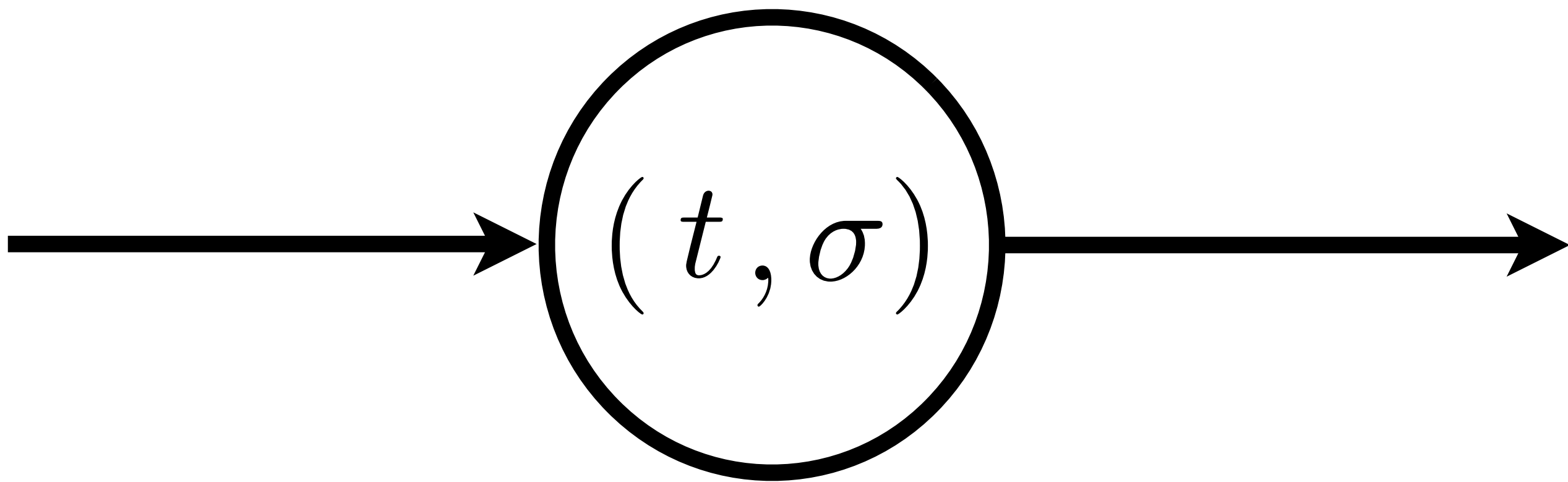
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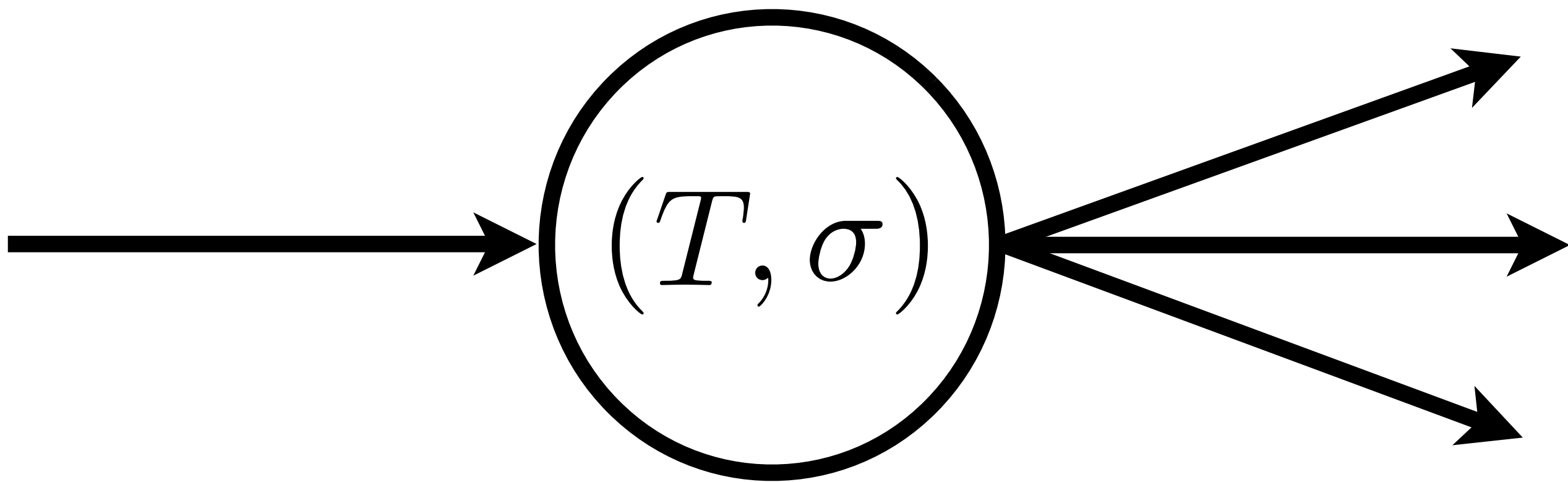
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$$\Sigma = \mathcal{P}(\textit{Thread}) \times \textit{Store}$$





Next: Naive abstraction?

$$\Sigma = \mathcal{P}(Thread) \times Store$$

$$Thread = \mathbf{Exp} \times Env \times Kont \times TID$$

$$Store = Addr \rightarrow Clo$$

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Store-allocate *Kont*

$$\textit{Store} = \textit{Addr} \rightarrow \textit{Clo}$$

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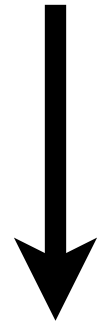
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Now we can abstract!

But, wait...

CESK

CESK



refactor

$P(\text{CEK}^*)S$

CESK



refactor

$P(CEK^*)S$



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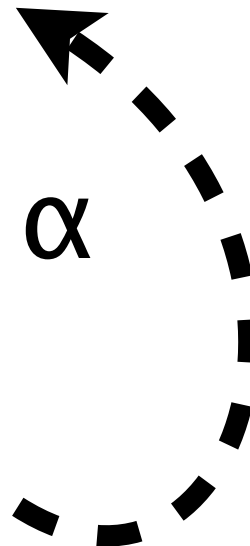
MHP

CESK



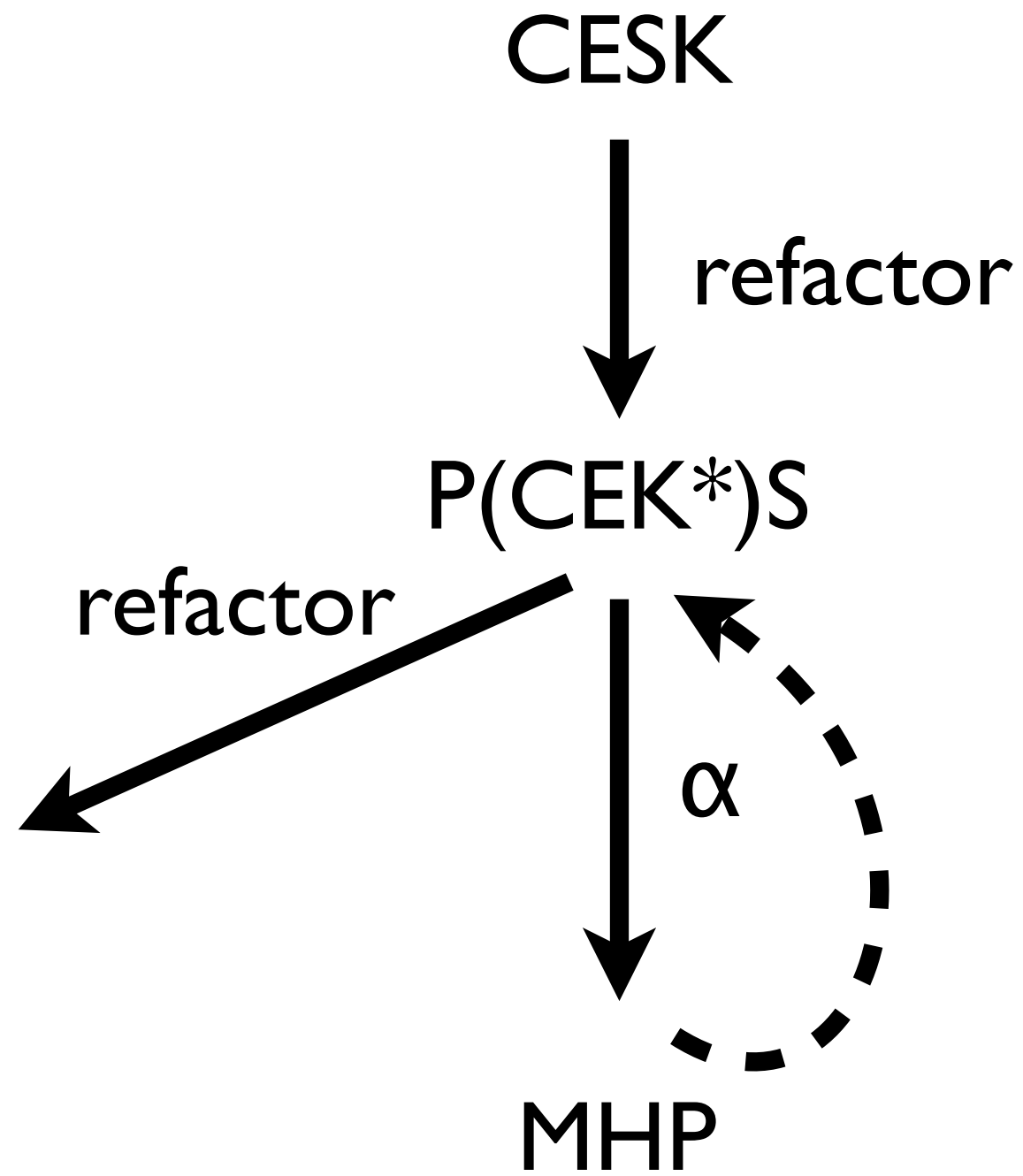
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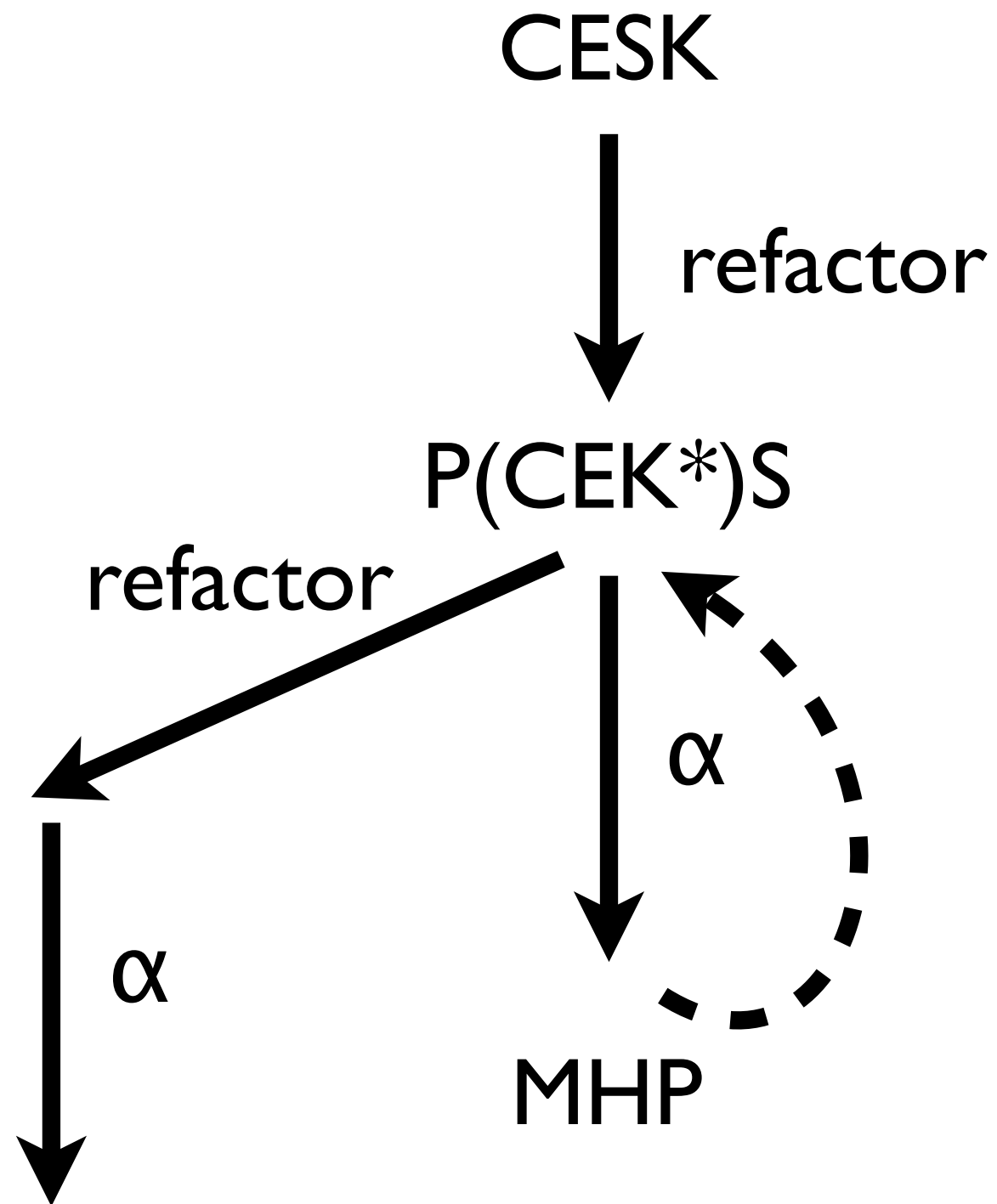
$P(CEK^*)S$

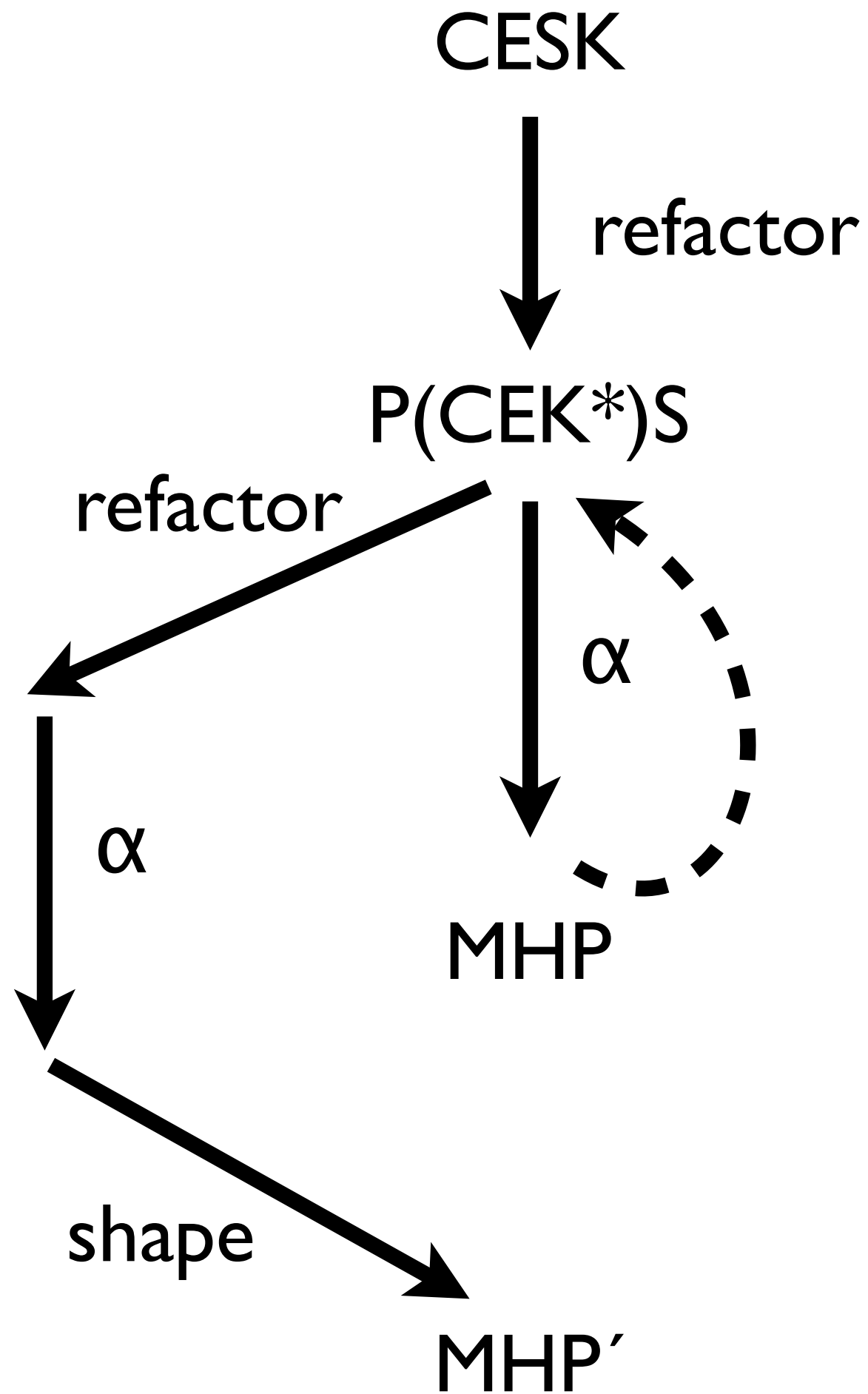


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MHP







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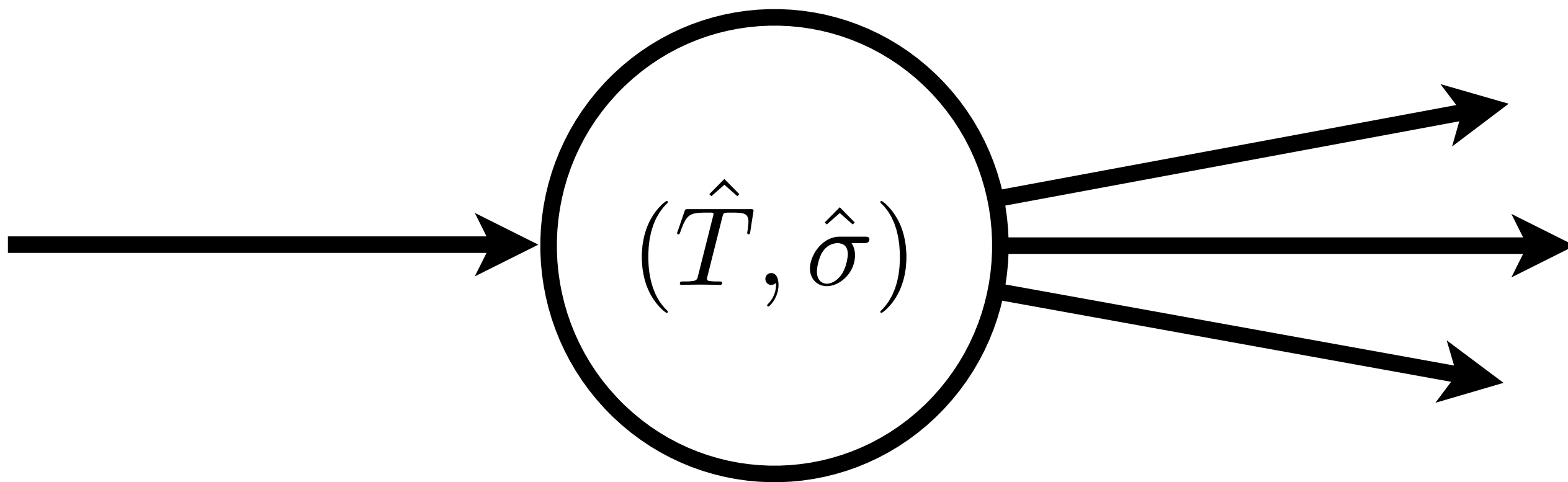
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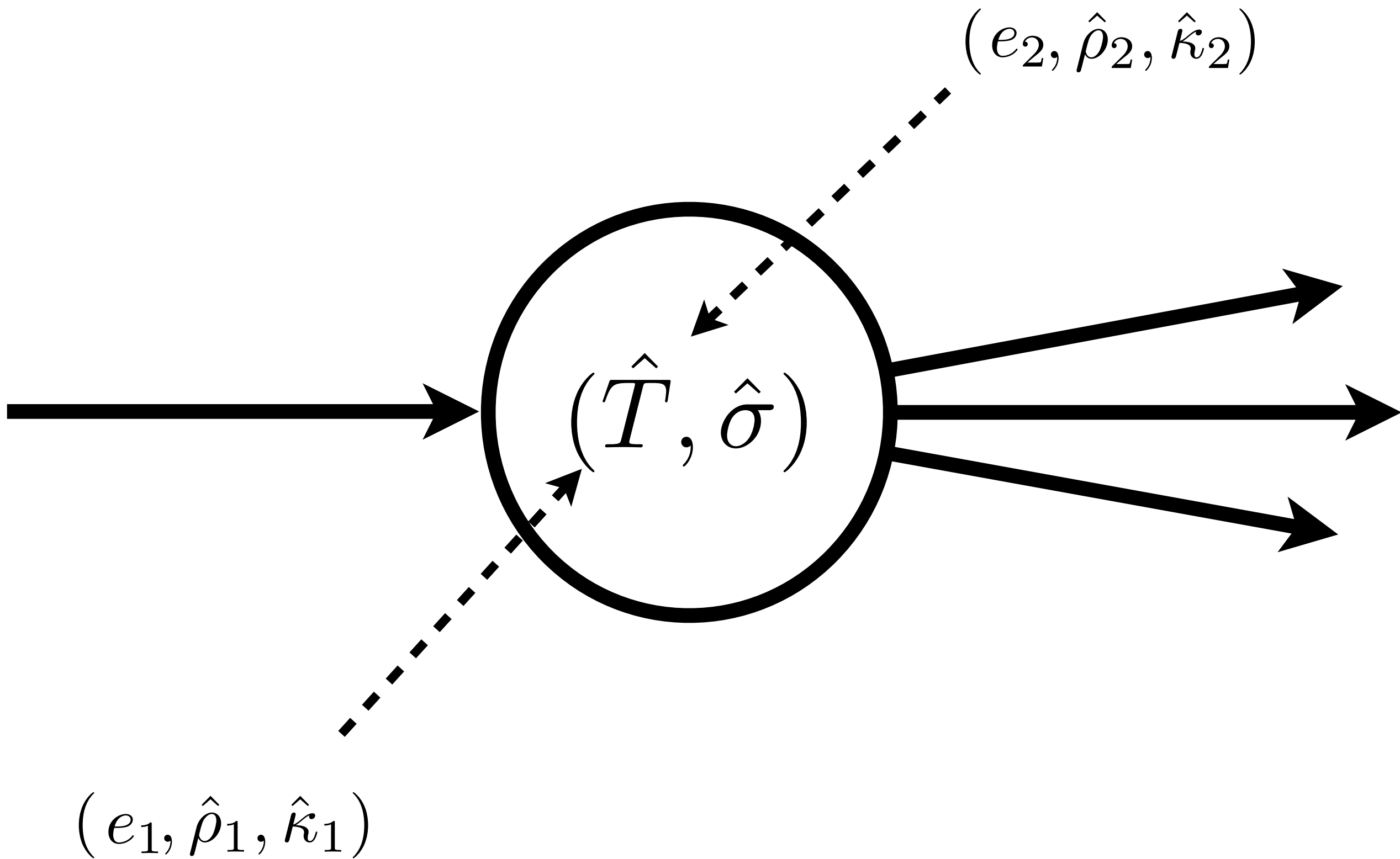
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Analysis: MHP





e_1

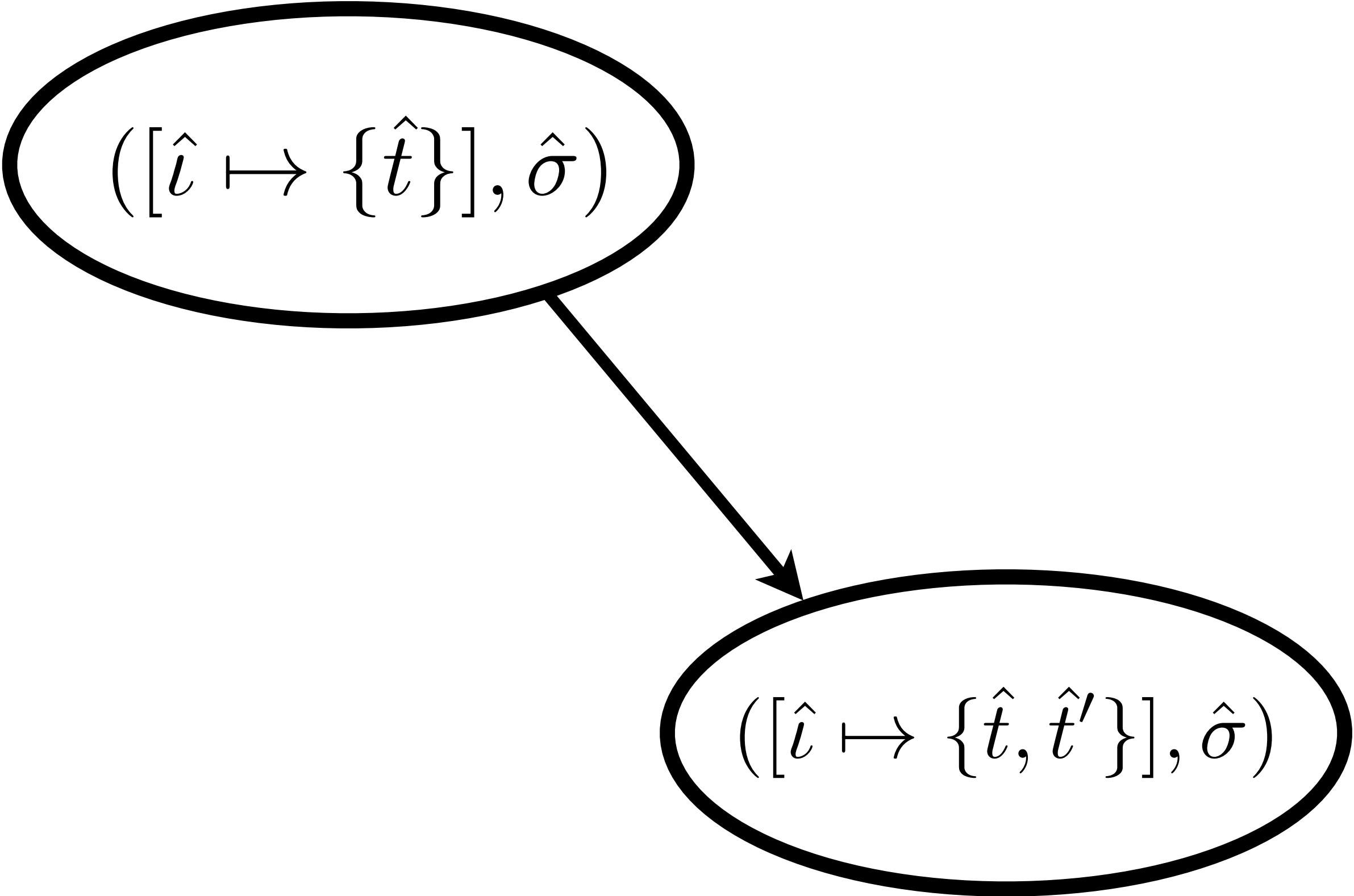
e_2

$e_1 \parallel e_2$

Problem: Precision

$\wedge$
Threads grow monotonically

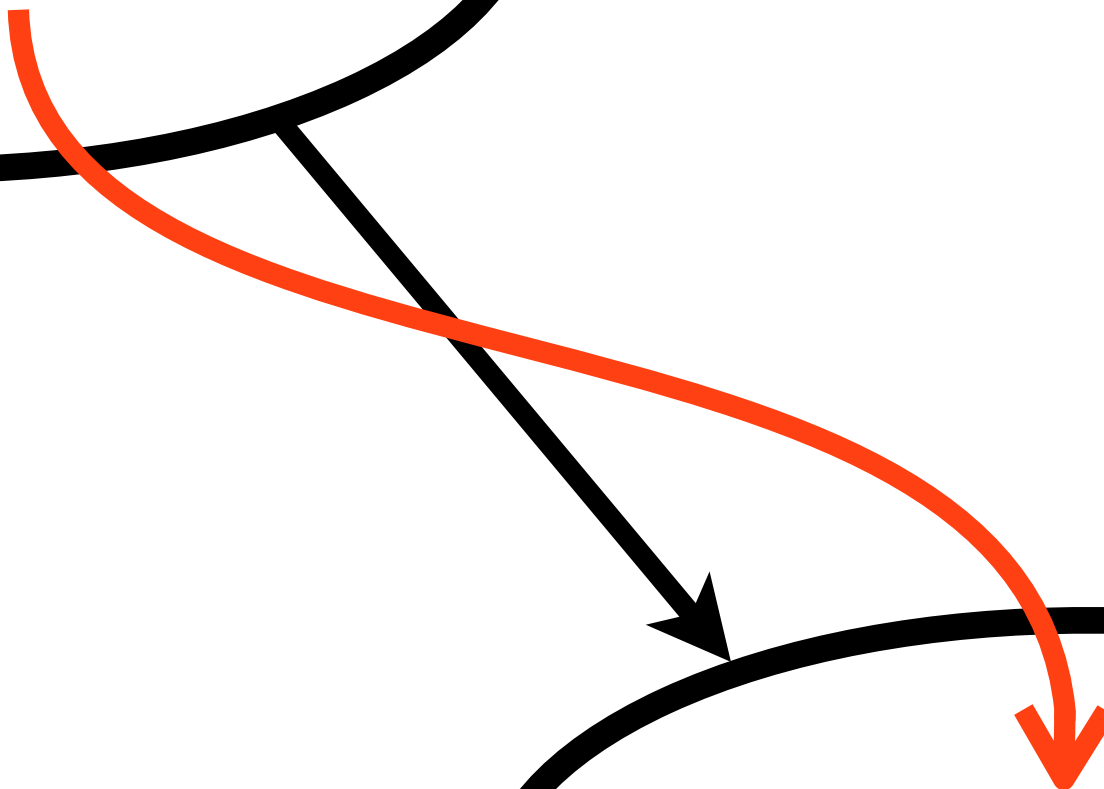
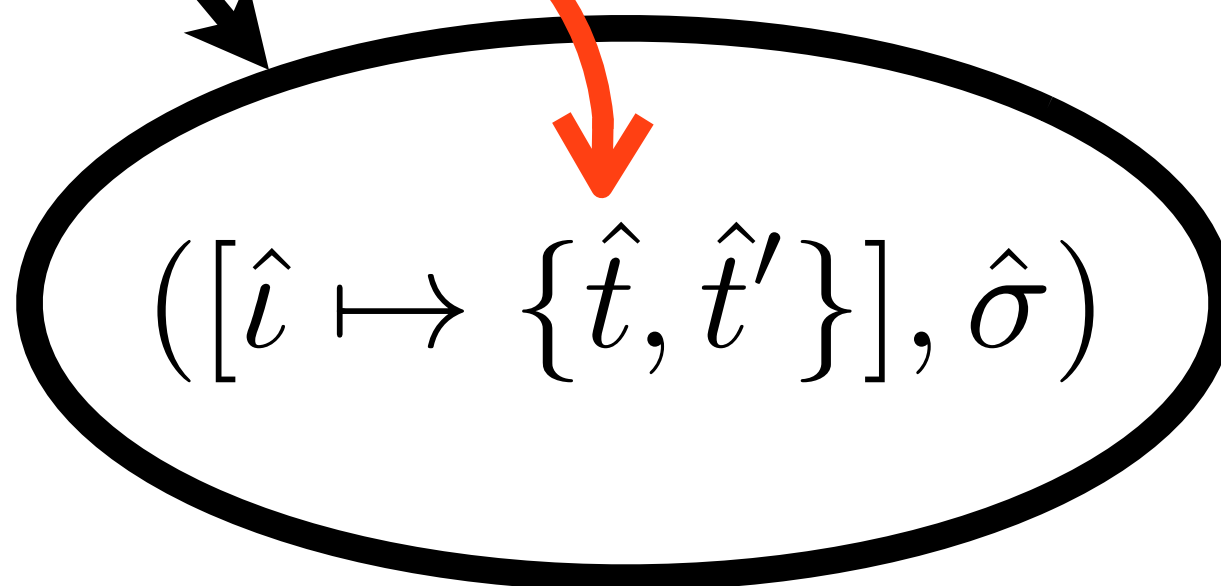
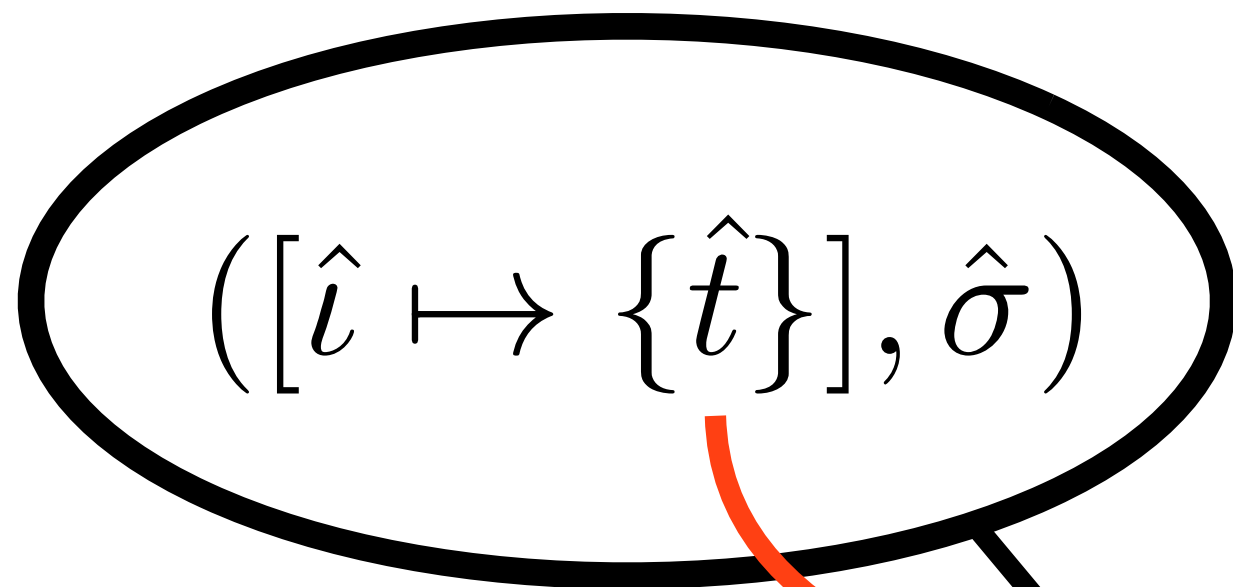
$$([\hat{i} \mapsto \{\hat{t}\}], \hat{\sigma})$$



A diagram illustrating a transformation between two states. The top state is enclosed in an oval and contains the expression $([\hat{l} \mapsto \{\hat{t}\}], \hat{\sigma})$. A thick black arrow points from the bottom of this oval to the top of a second oval below it. The second oval contains the expression $([\hat{l} \mapsto \{\hat{t}, \hat{t}'\}], \hat{\sigma})$.

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Solution: Shape analysis

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \widehat{Threads} \times \widehat{Store}$$

(Chase et al., 1990)

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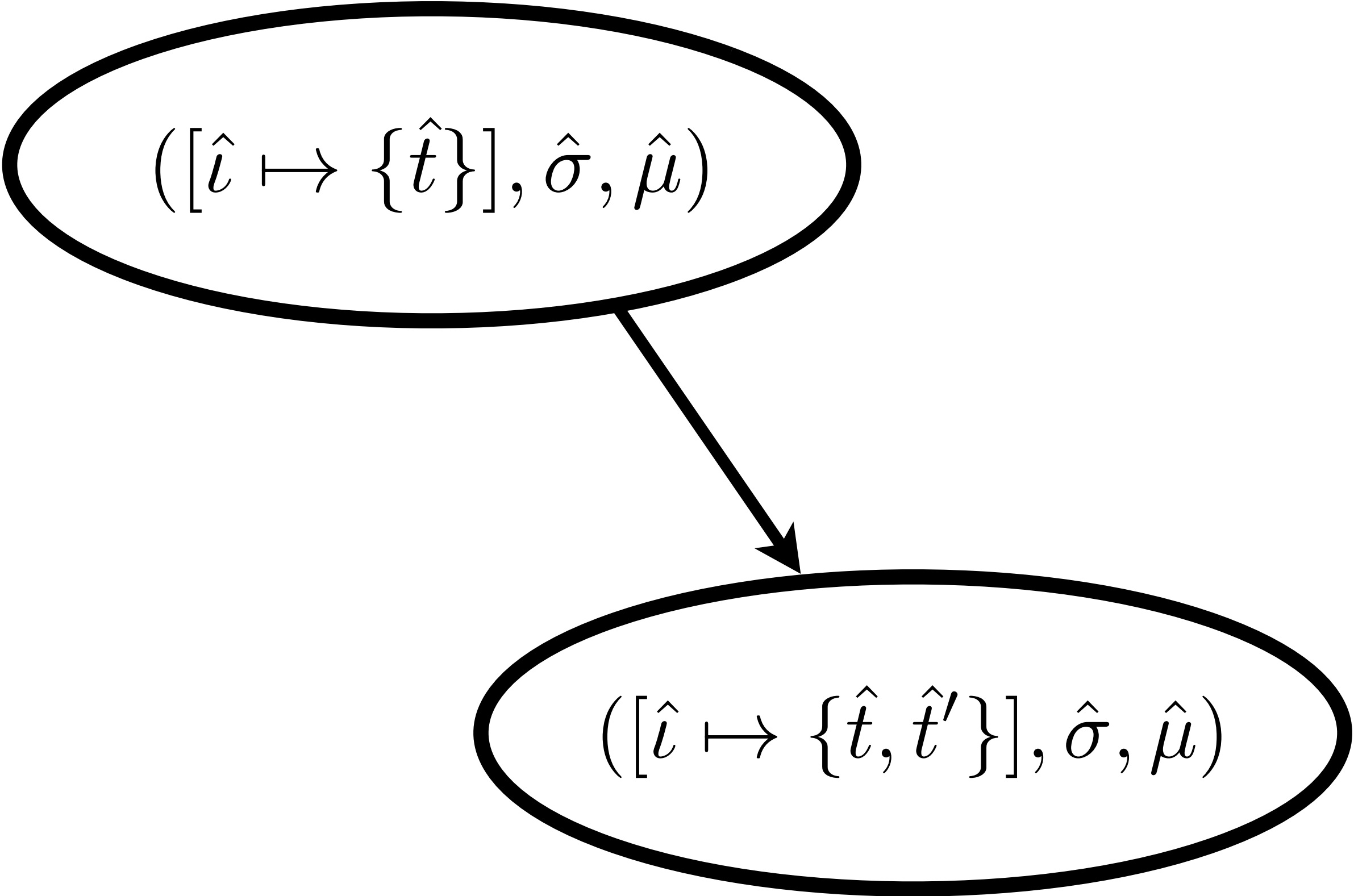
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Strong update

Strong transition

$$\widehat{TCount} = \widehat{TID} \rightarrow \{0, 1, \infty\}$$

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A diagram showing a transition between two states. The top state is enclosed in an oval and contains the expression $([\hat{l} \mapsto \{\hat{t}\}], \hat{\sigma}, \hat{\mu})$. An arrow points from this oval to a bottom oval containing $([\hat{l} \mapsto \{\hat{t}, \hat{t}'\}], \hat{\sigma}, \hat{\mu})$. To the right of the arrow is the condition $\hat{\mu}(\hat{l}) = 1$.

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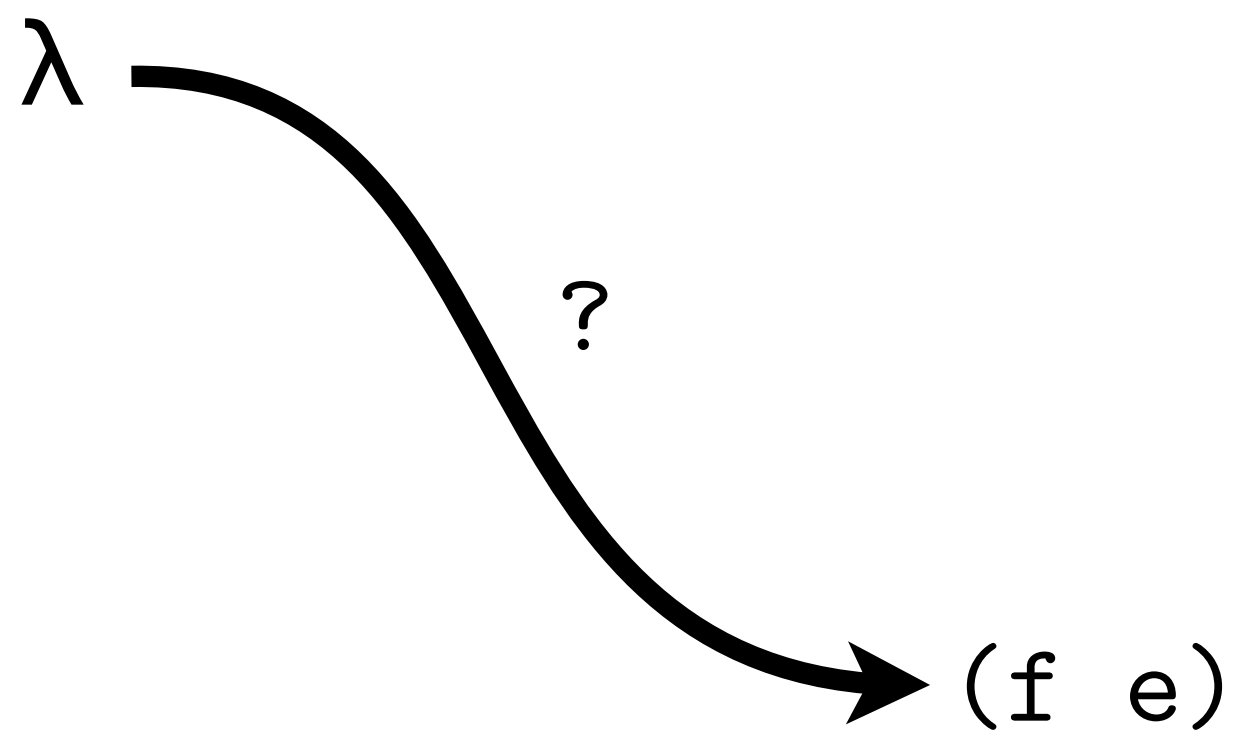
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$$([\hat{l} \mapsto \{\hat{t}'\}], \hat{\sigma}, \hat{\mu})$$

Analysis: CFA



Issue: MHP is overkill

Solution: Abstract again

$$\alpha_2(\hat{S}) = \sqcup \hat{S}$$

$$\alpha_2 : \mathcal{P}(\hat{\Sigma}) \rightarrow \hat{\Sigma}$$

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$$\text{Exp} \times \widehat{Env} \times \widehat{Addr}$$

$$\widehat{TID}$$

Threads

$$\widehat{Clo} + \widehat{Kont}$$

$$\widehat{Addr}$$

Store

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$$\widehat{TID}$$

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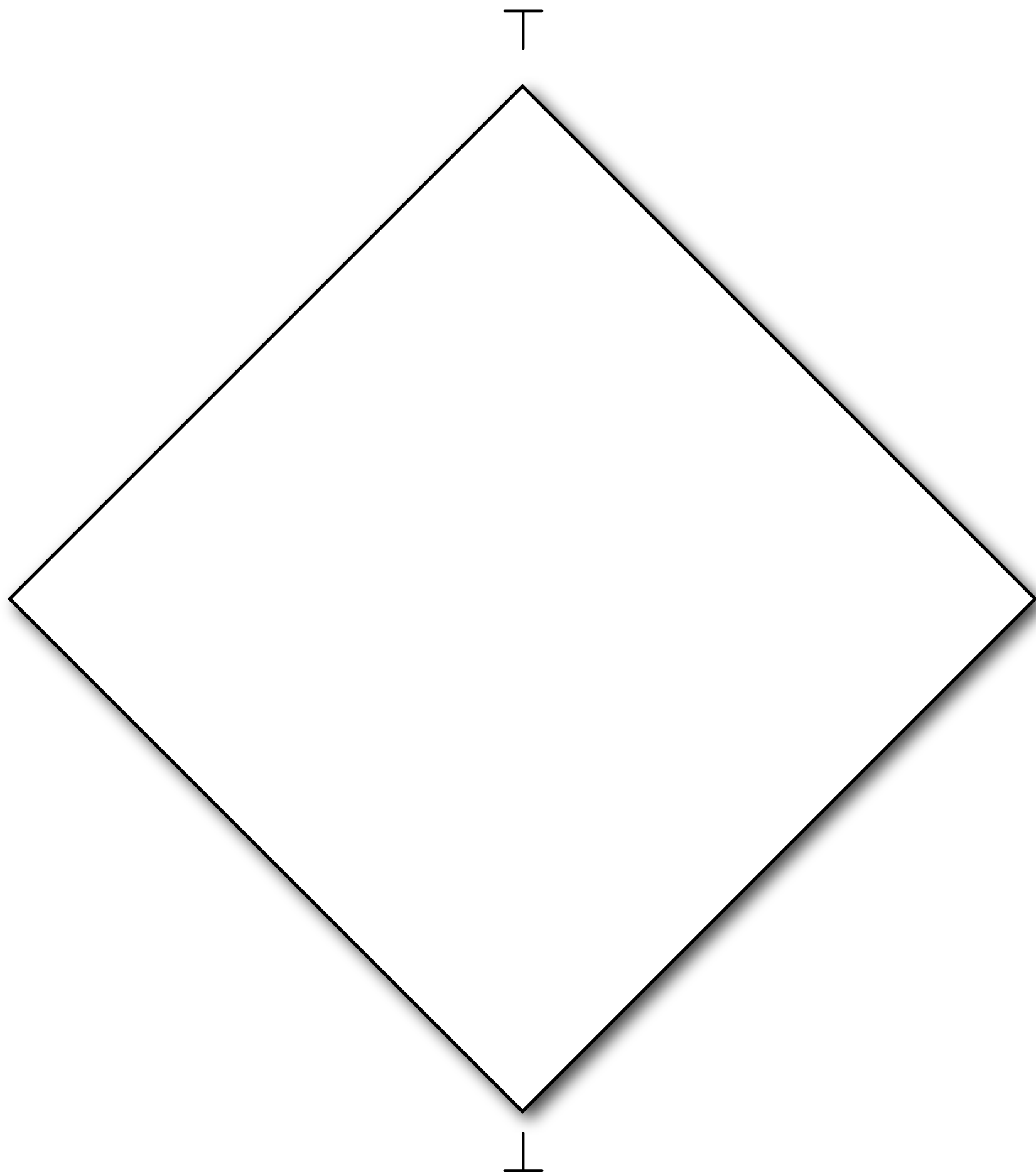
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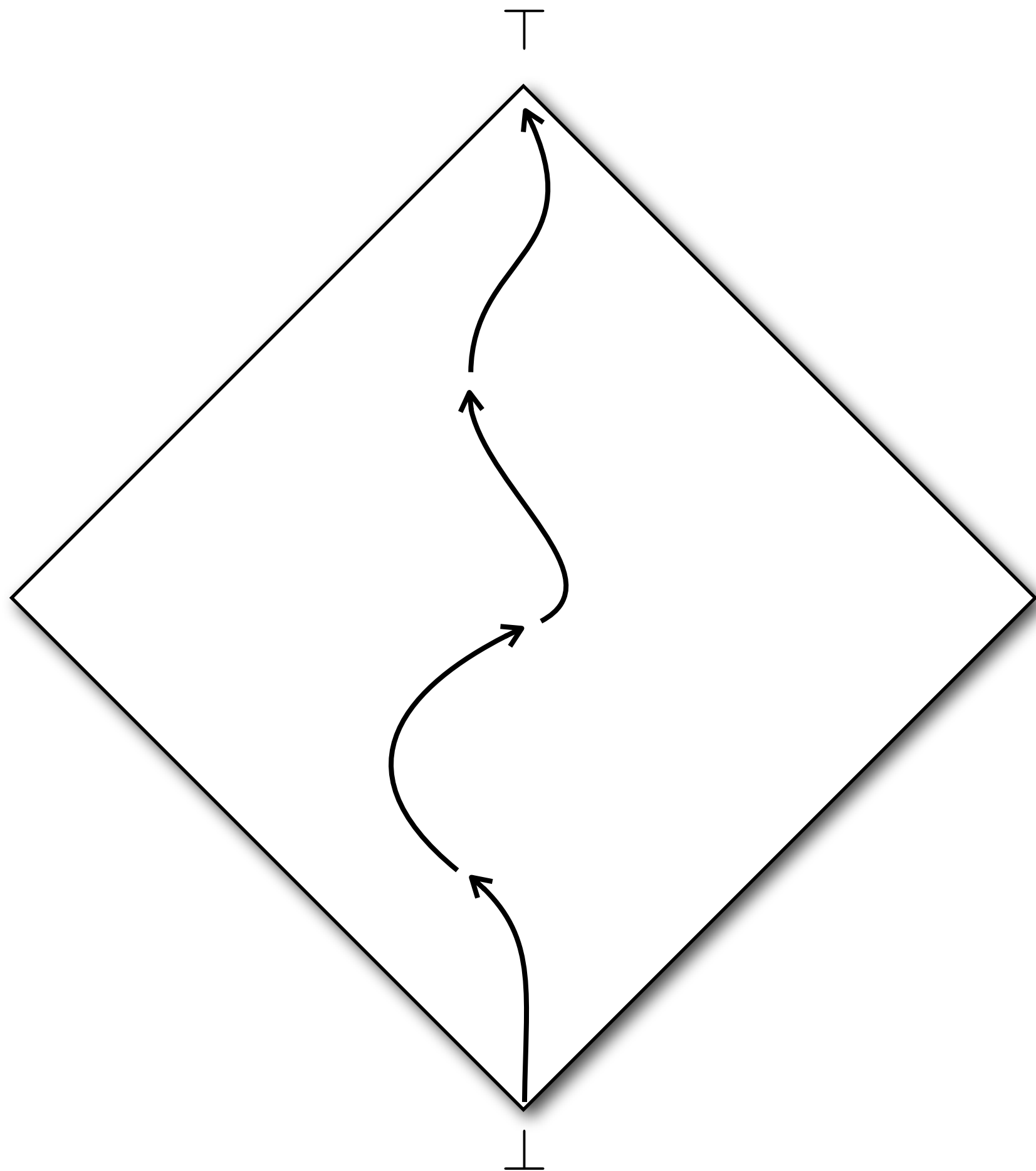
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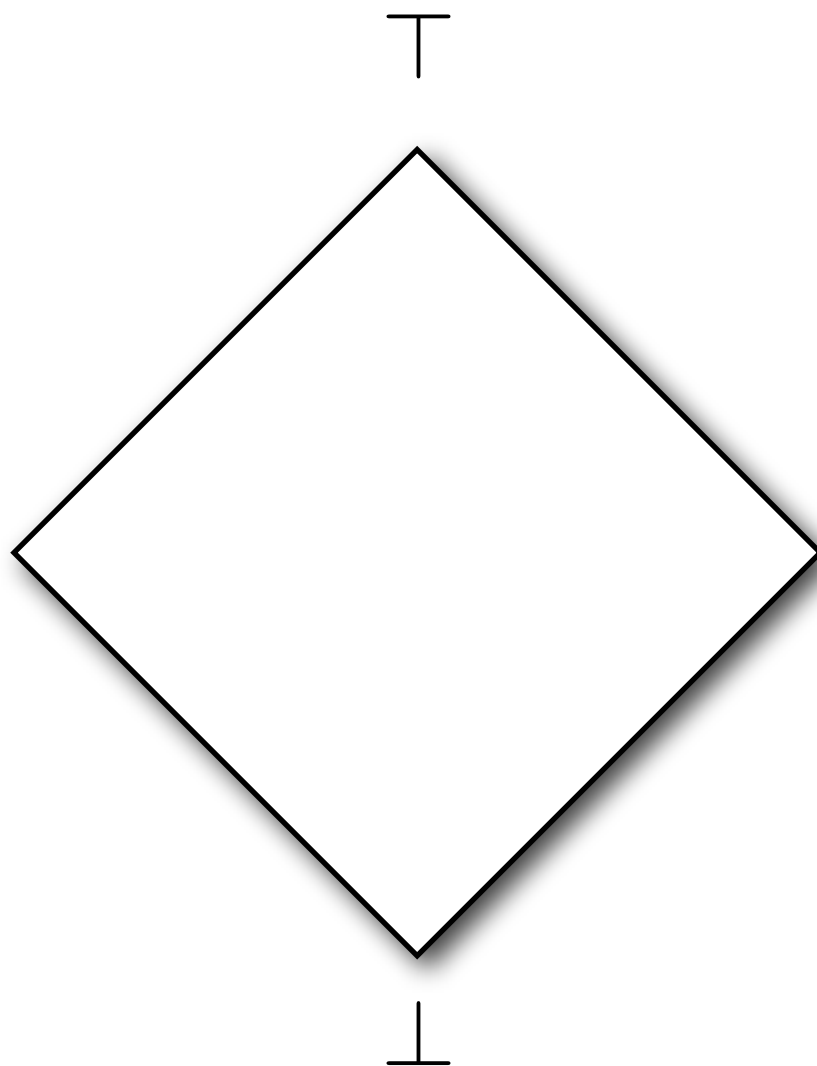
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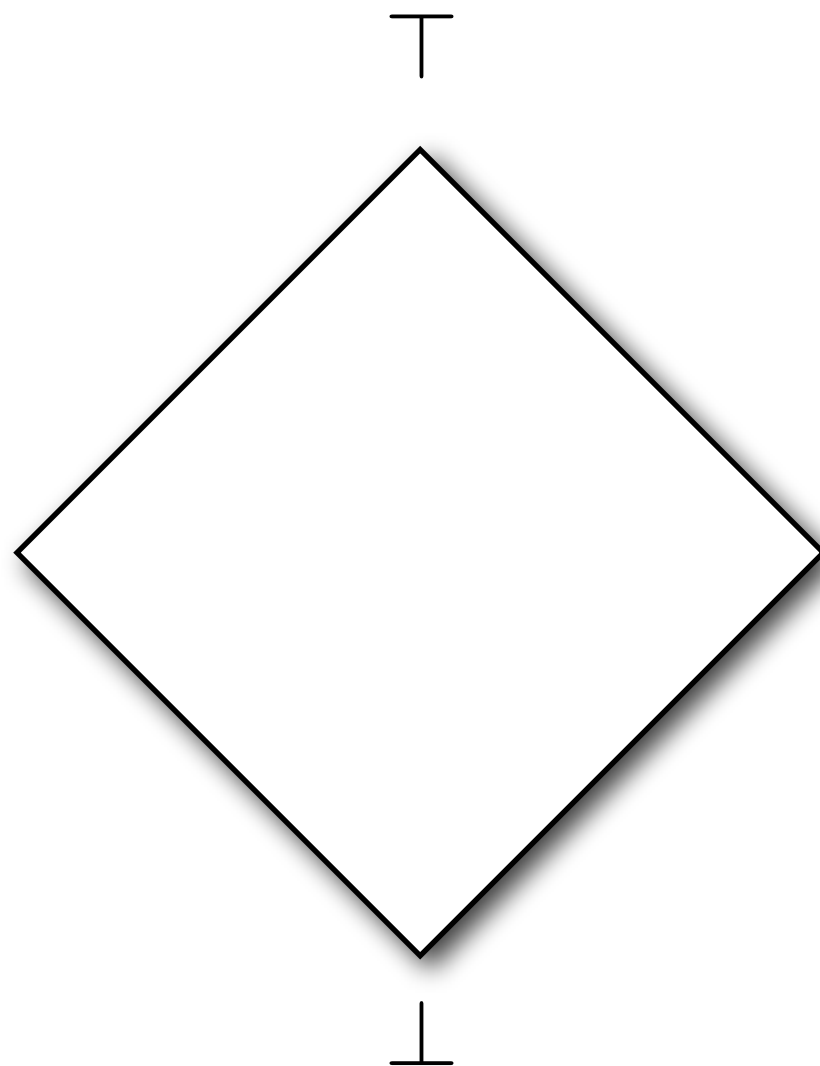
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monovariant collapse

$$\text{Exp} \times \widehat{Env} \times \widehat{Addr}$$

$$\widehat{TID}$$
[illegible]

$$\widehat{Clo} + \widehat{Kont}$$

$$\widehat{Addr}$$
[illegible]

$$\text{Exp} \times \widehat{Env} \times \widehat{Addr} \quad \text{Exp}$$

$$\widehat{Clo} + \widehat{Kont}$$

Exp
~~*Addr*~~

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Exp

[illegible]

$$\widehat{Clo} + \widehat{Kont}$$

Exp

~~Addr~~

[illegible]

$$\text{Exp} \times \widehat{Env} \times \widehat{Addr} \quad \text{Exp}$$

Exp

[illegible]

Lam ~~$\widehat{Clo}$~~ + $\widehat{Kont}$

Exp

~~Addr~~

[illegible]

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[illegible]

$$\text{Lam } \widehat{Clo} + \widehat{Kent} \quad \text{Exp} \times \widehat{Addr} \quad \text{Exp}$$

Exp

~~Addr~~

[illegible]

$$O(n^3)$$

passes

$$O(n^3)$$

cost per pass

$$O(n^6)$$

for “thread-aware” 0CFA

Related work

- Cousot & Cousot: Abstract interpretation
- Jones; Shivers: CFA for higher-orderness
- Chase et al.: Cardinality for shape analysis
- Jagannathan et al.: Strong-update for CFA
- Yahav: Shape analysis with multithreading

Conclusion

- Abstractable semantics: CESK to $P(\text{CEK}^*)S$
- MHP = abstract semantics + thread shape
- CFA = re-abstraction of MHP semantics

Thanks!