

# D-Branes in a Non-Compact WZNW Model

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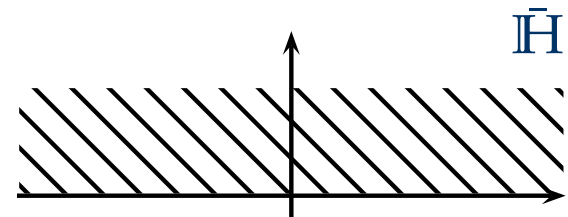
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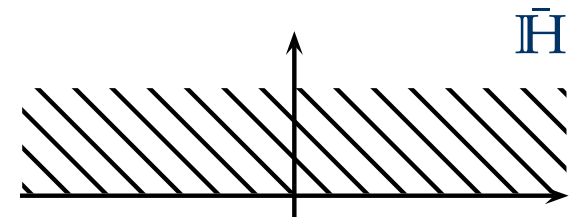
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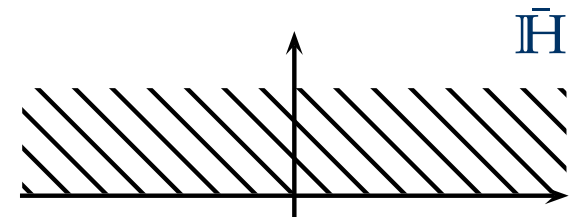
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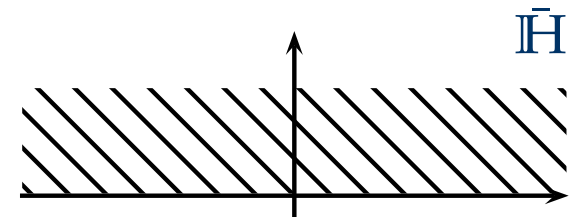
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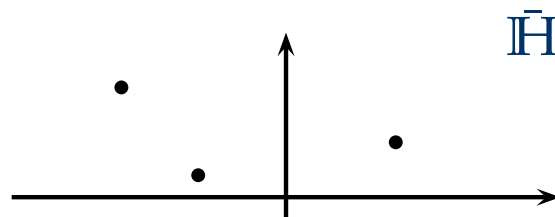
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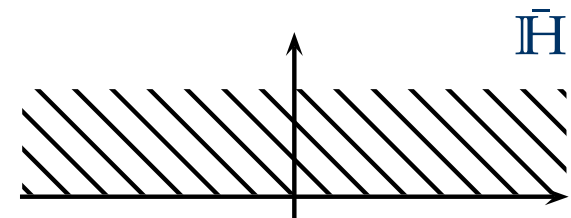
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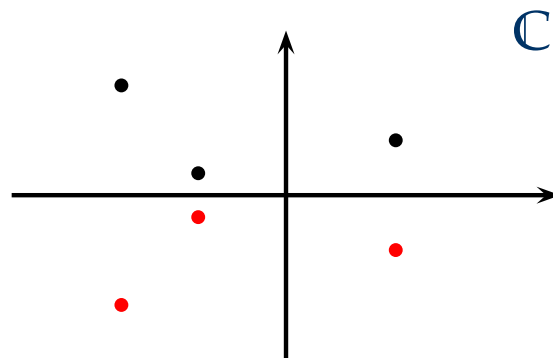
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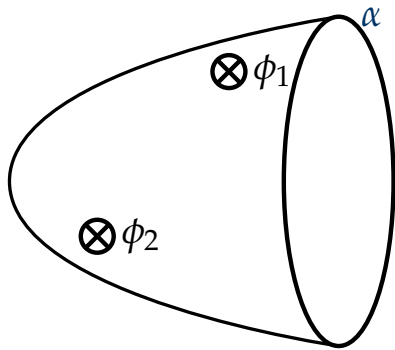


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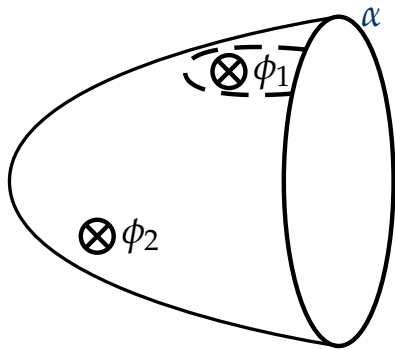
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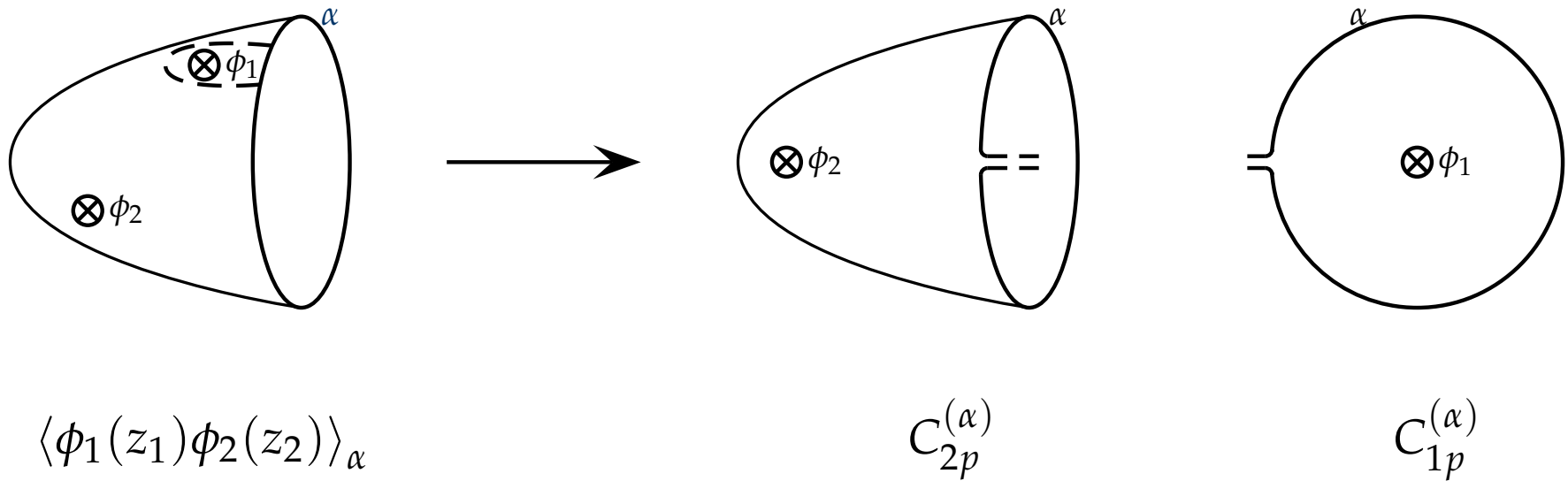


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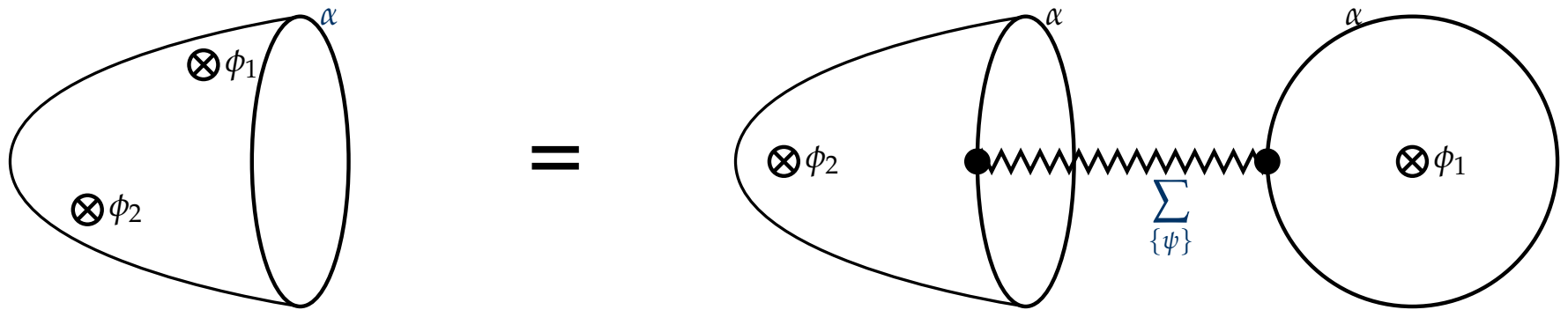


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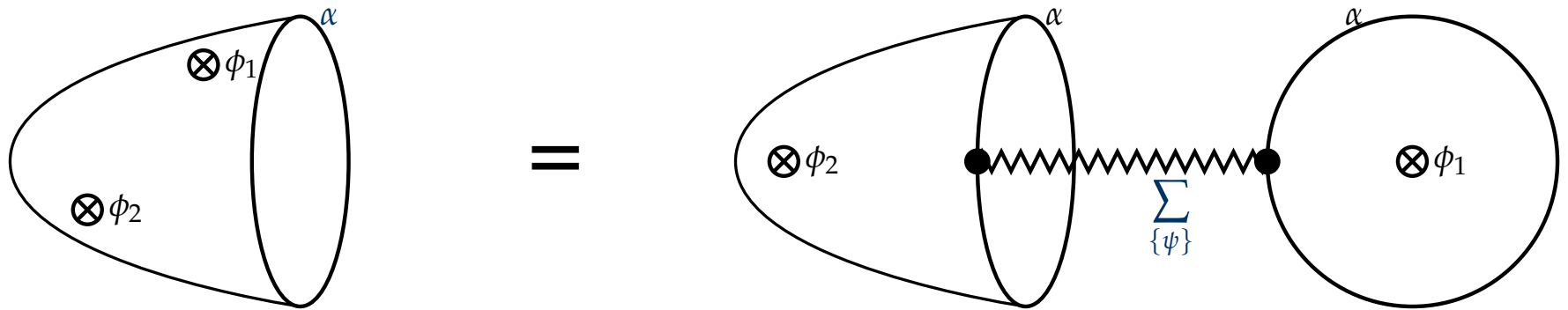


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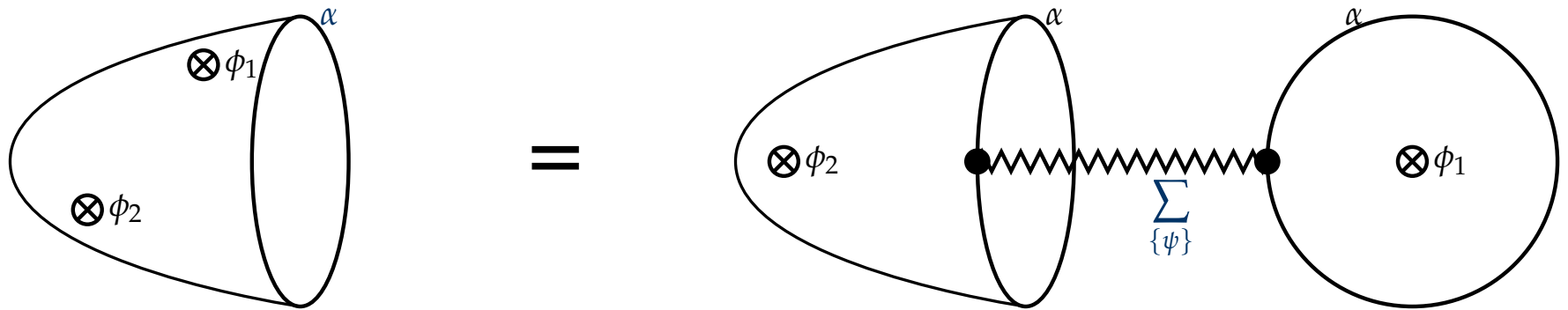


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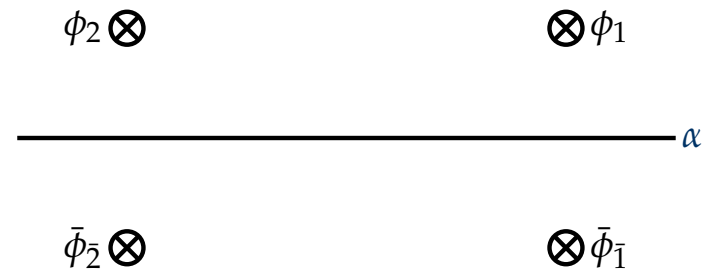
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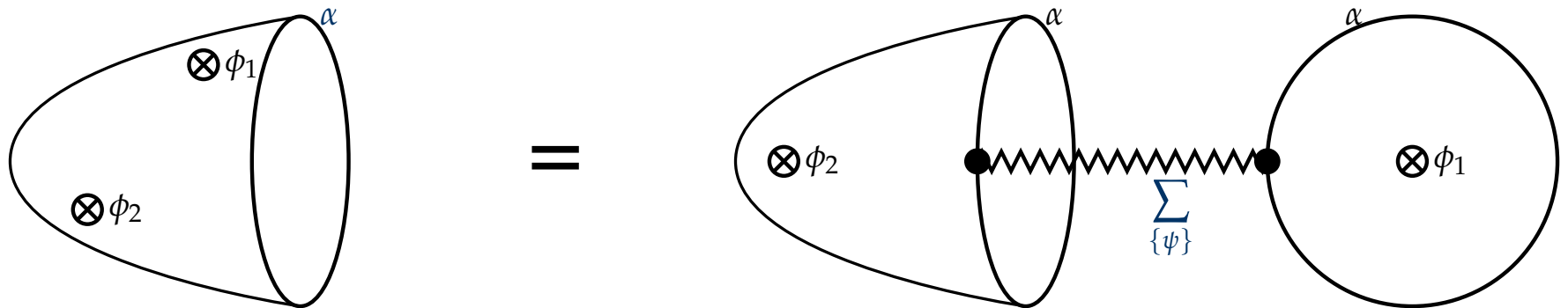
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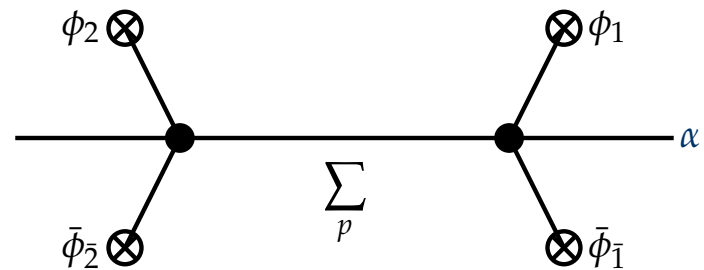
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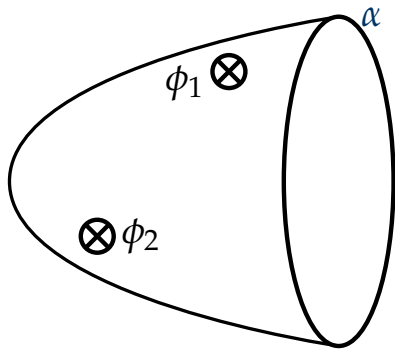
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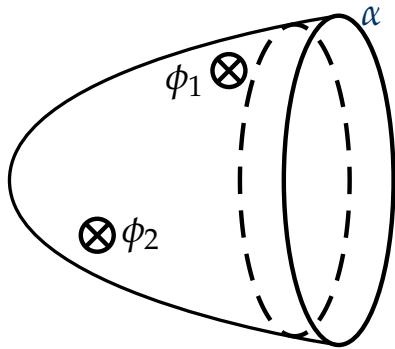
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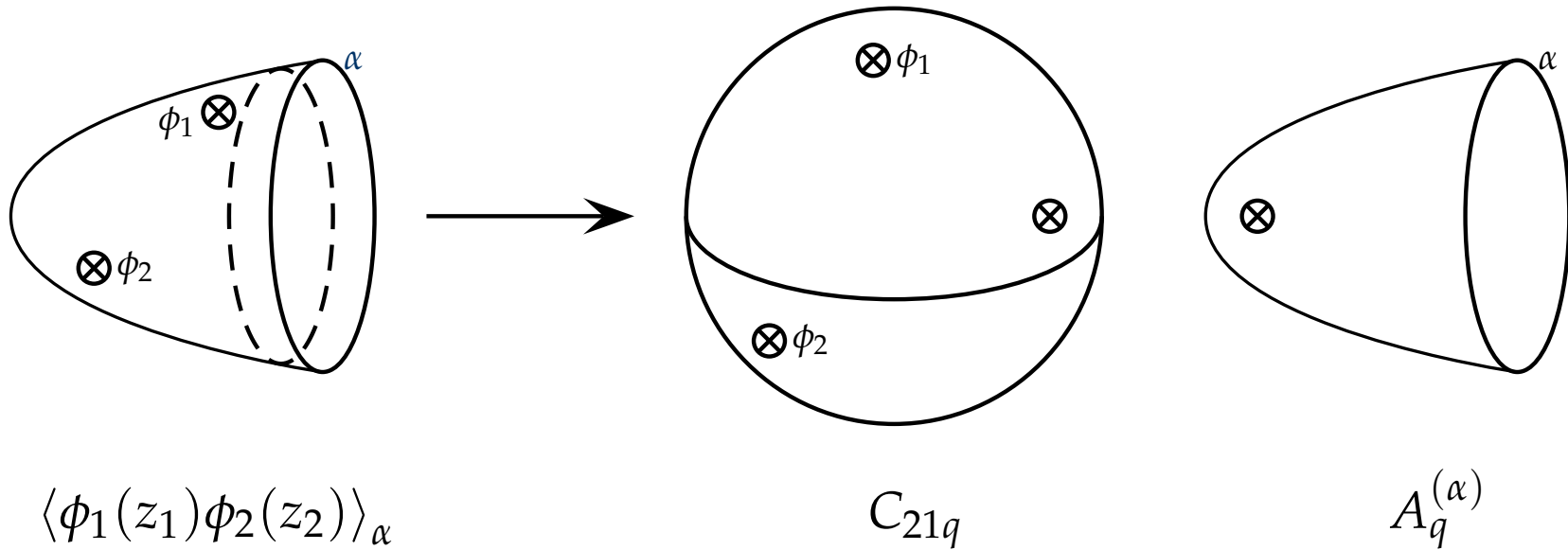


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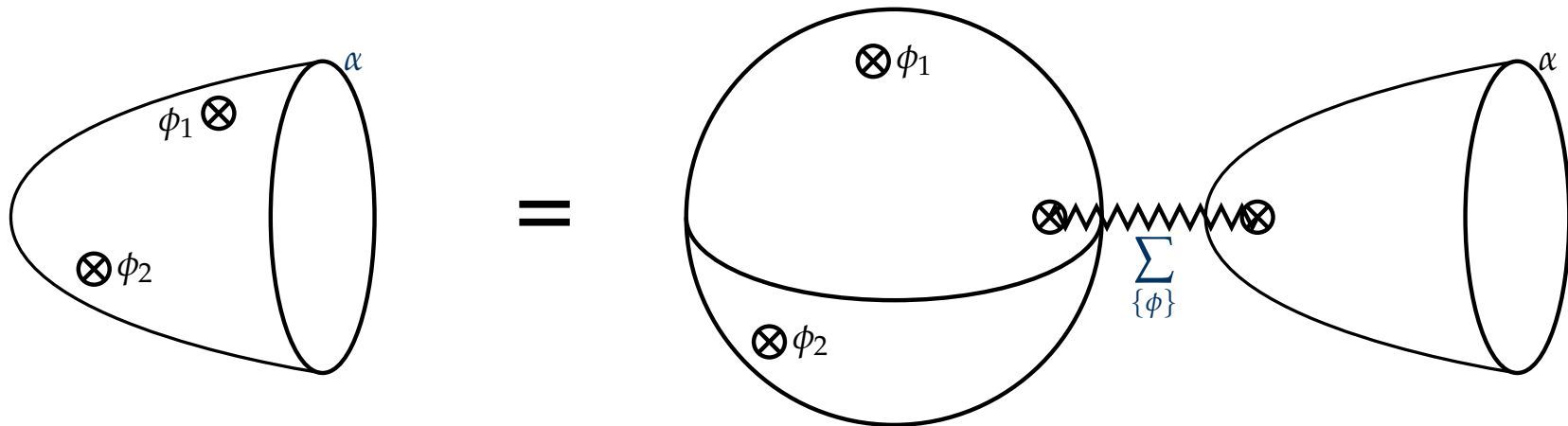


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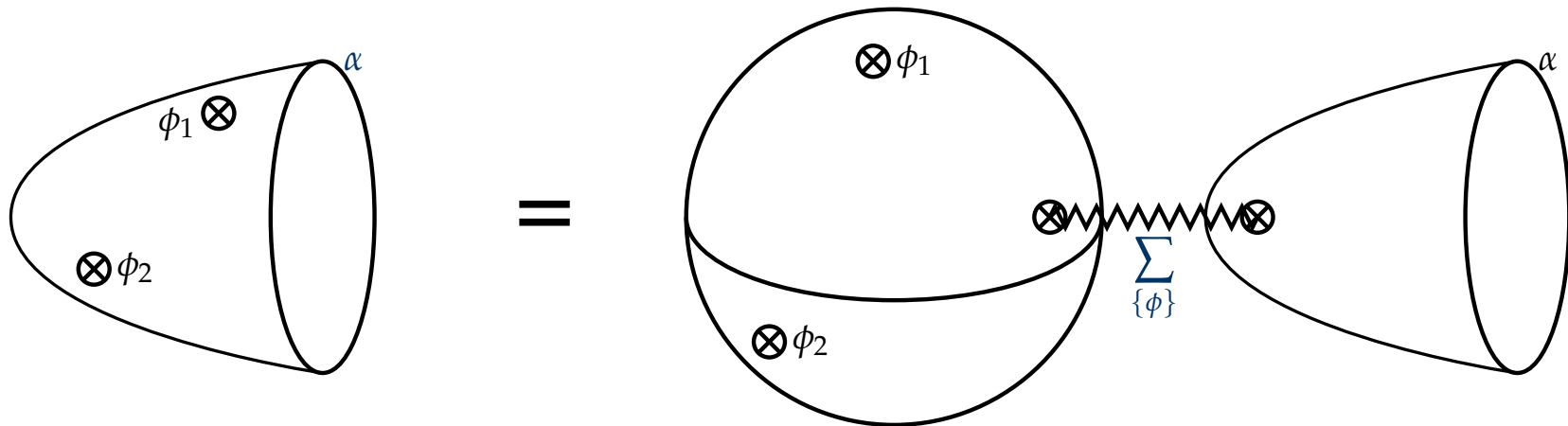


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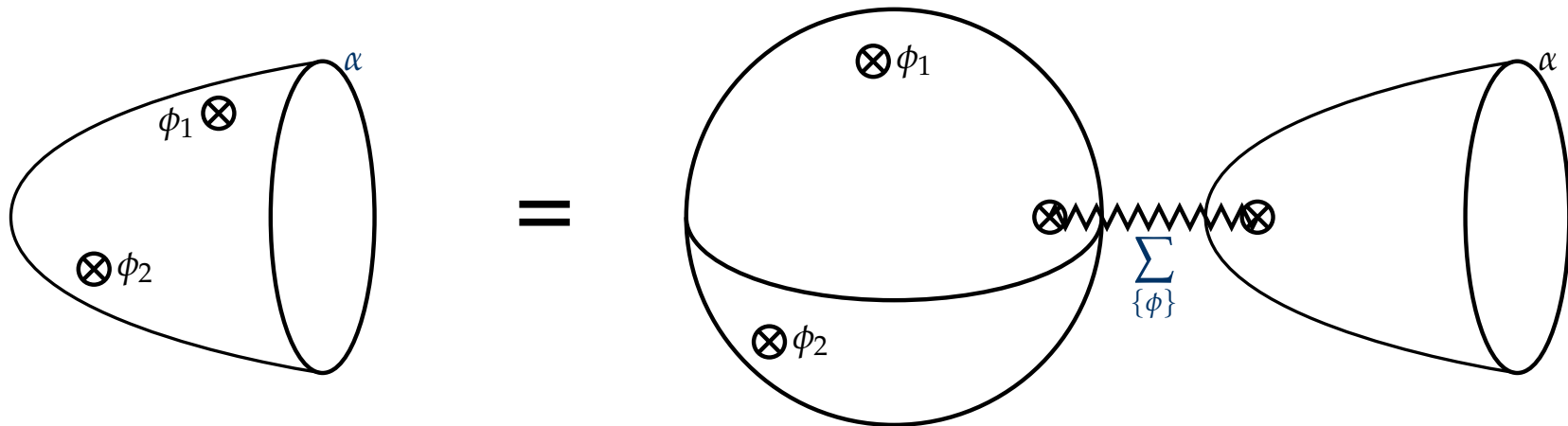


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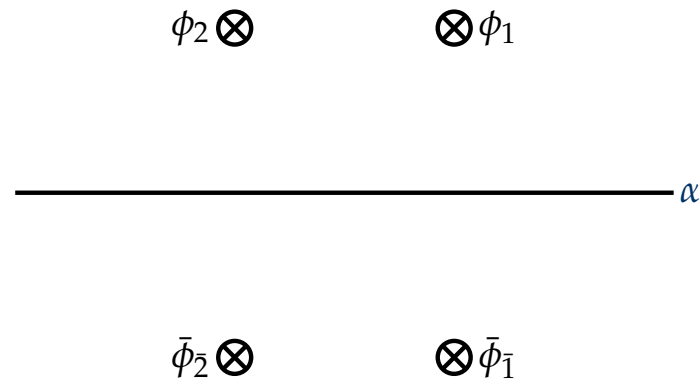
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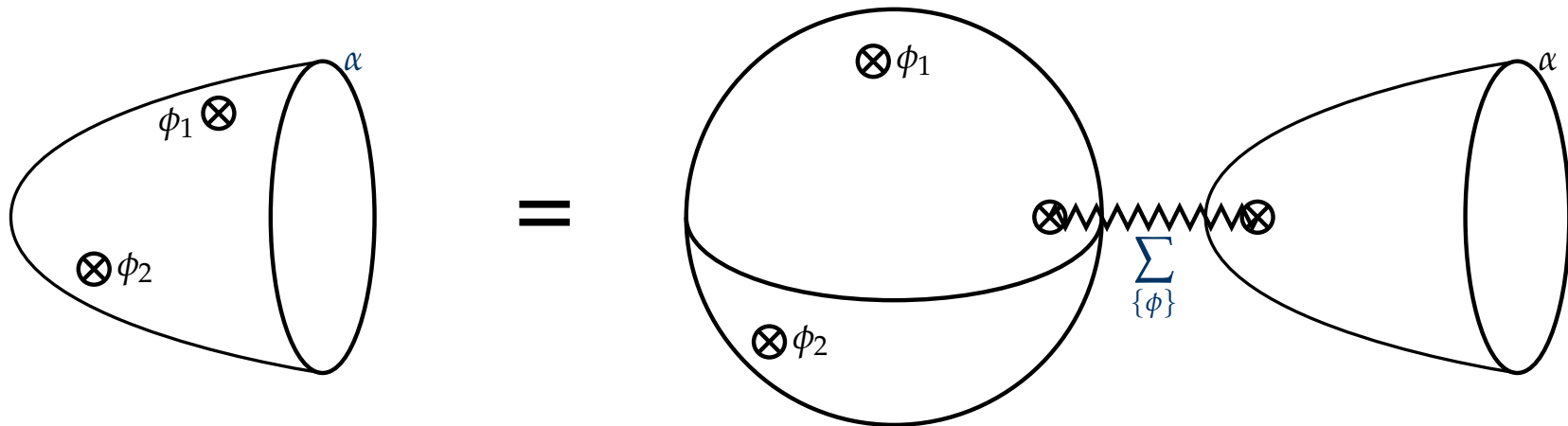
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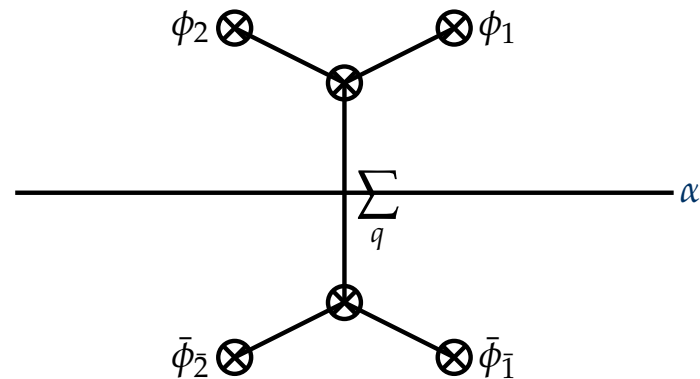
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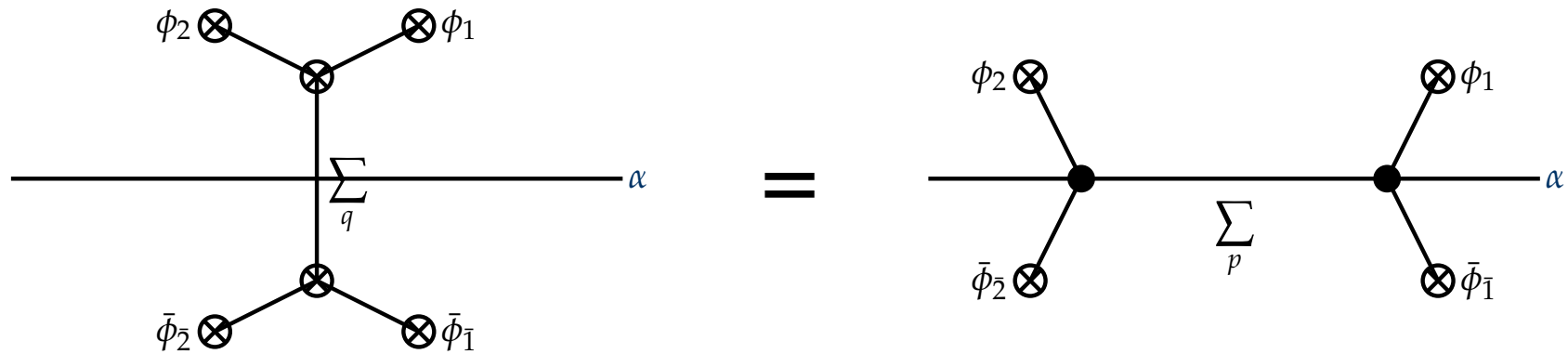
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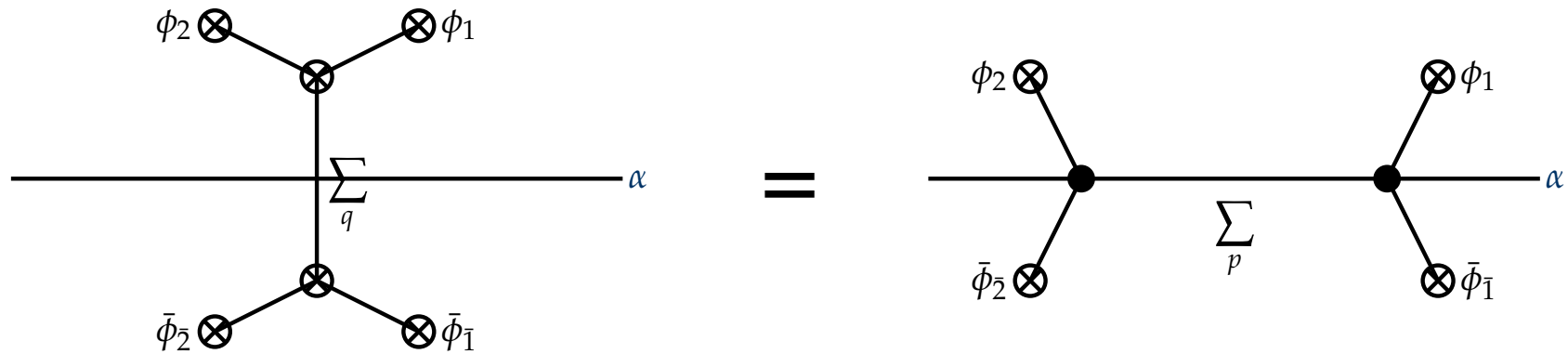
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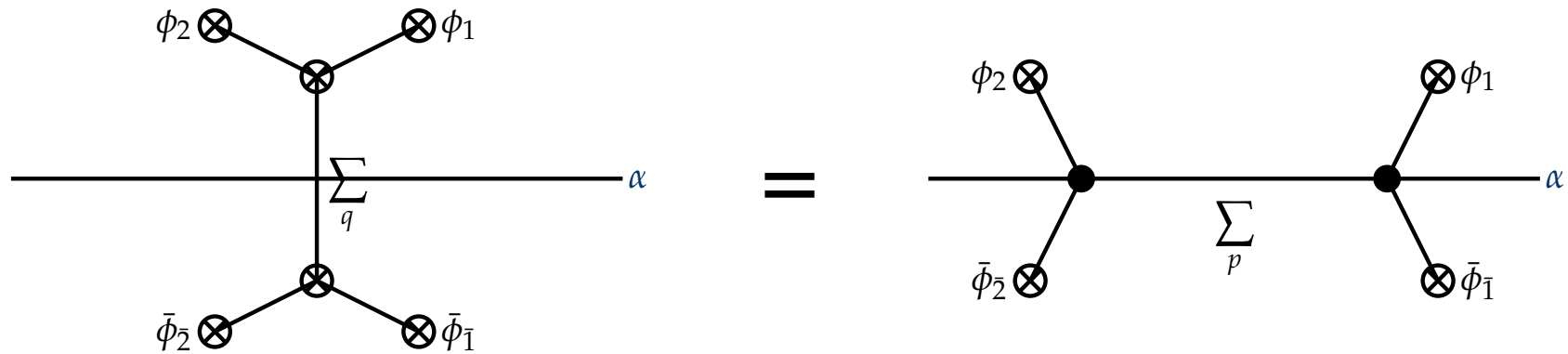
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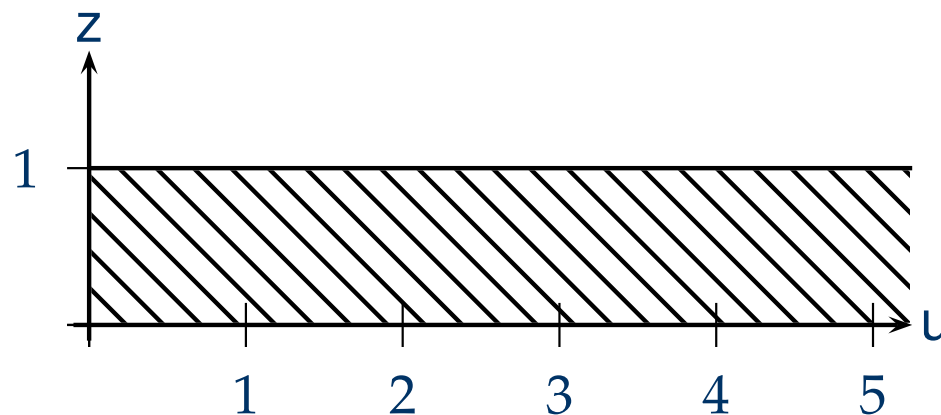
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with  $C_\epsilon(j) = C(j, \frac{1}{2}, j_\epsilon)$ , where

$$j_\pm = j \pm \frac{b^{-2}}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad j_\times = -j - 1 - \frac{b^{-2}}{2}$$



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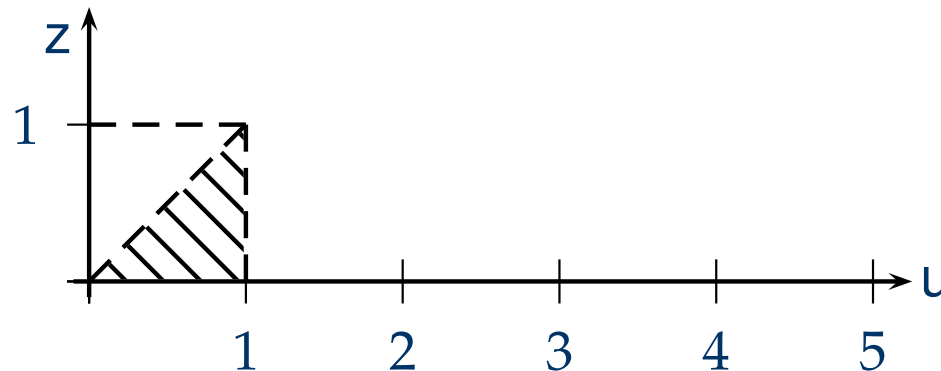
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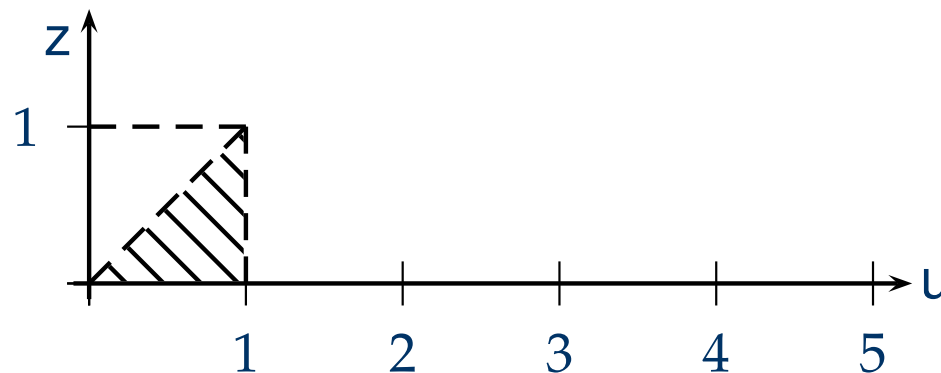
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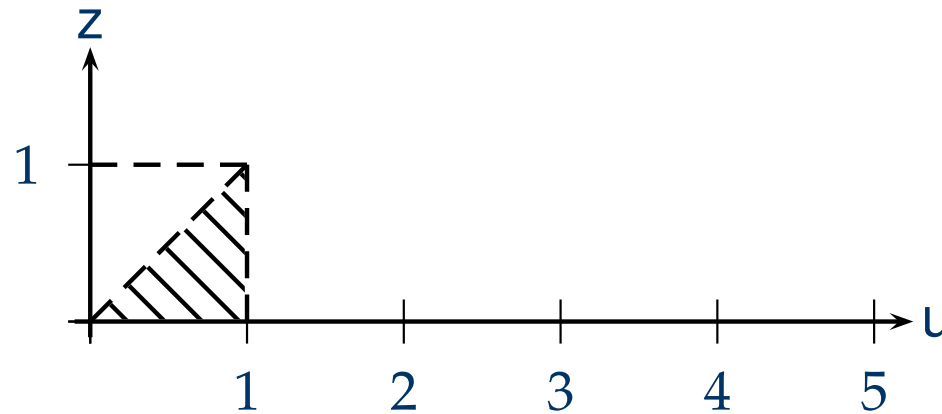
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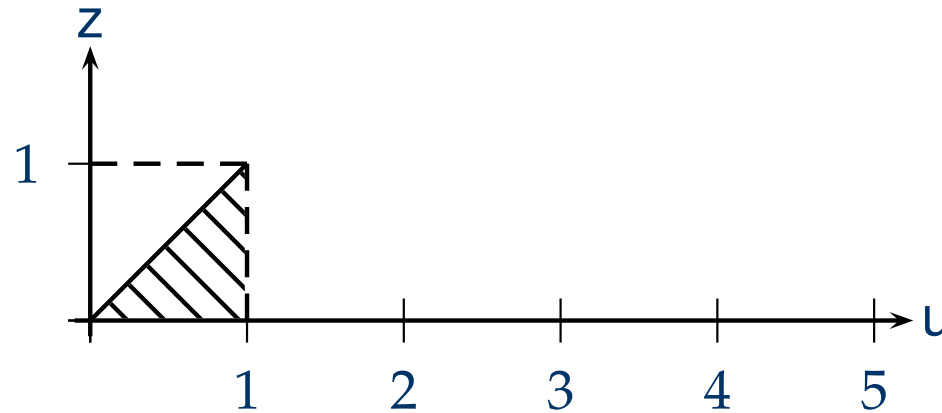
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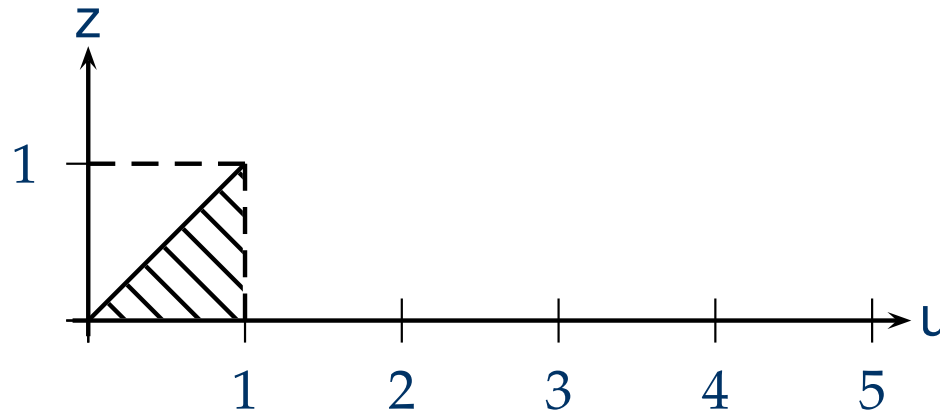
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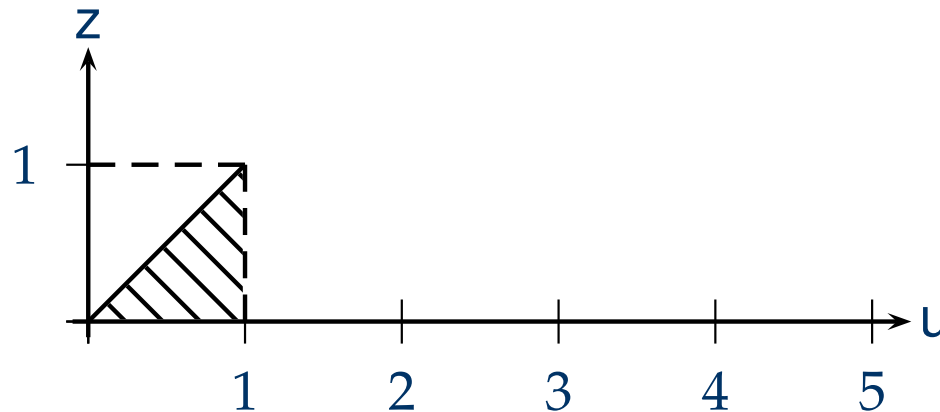
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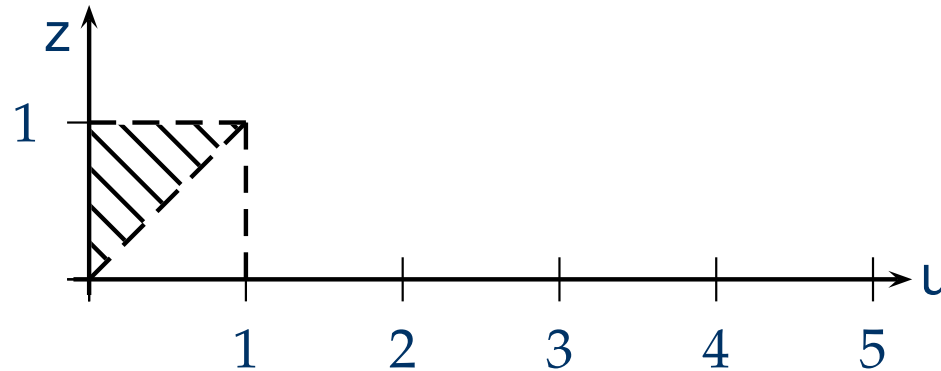
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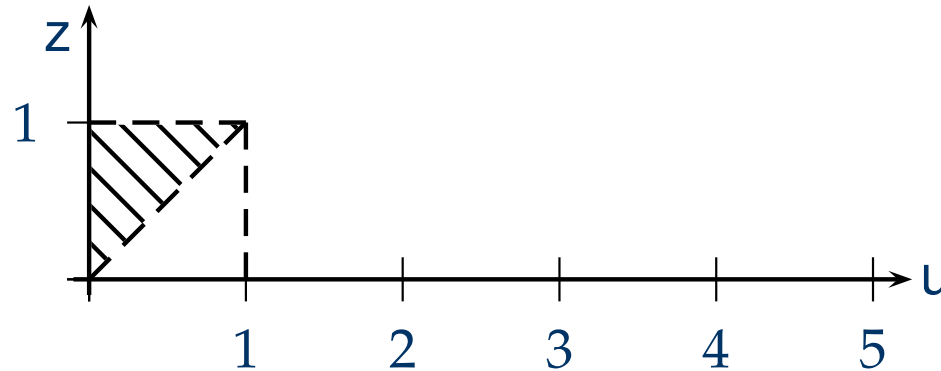
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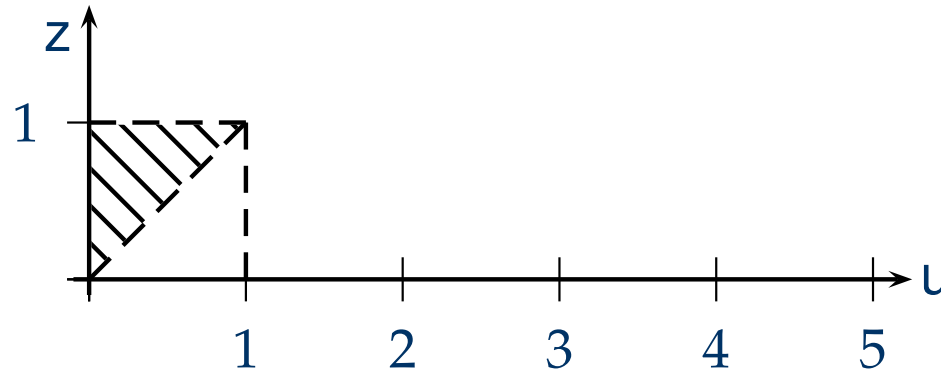
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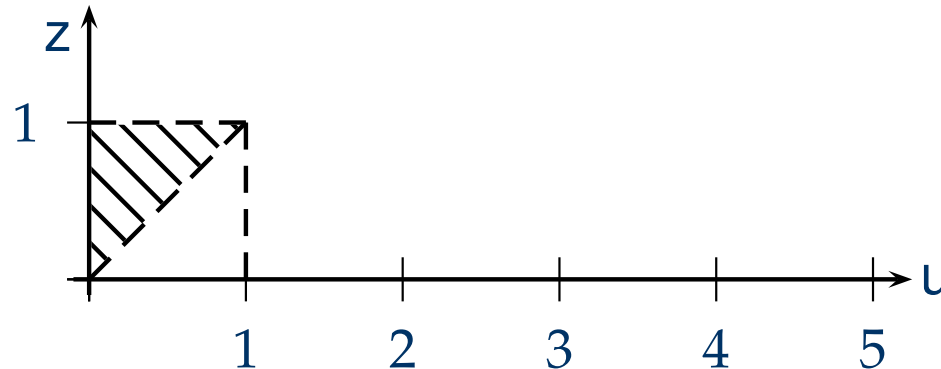
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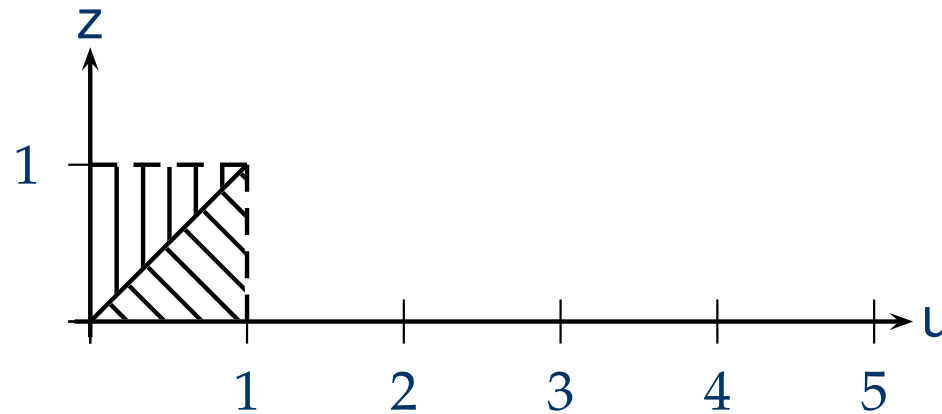
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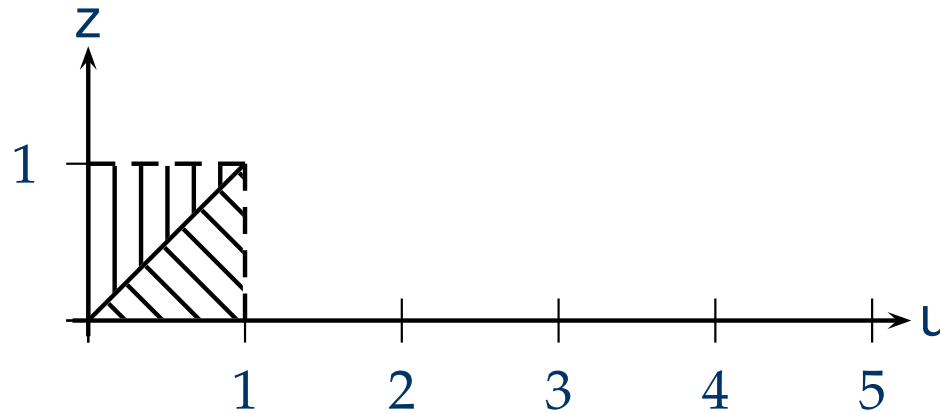
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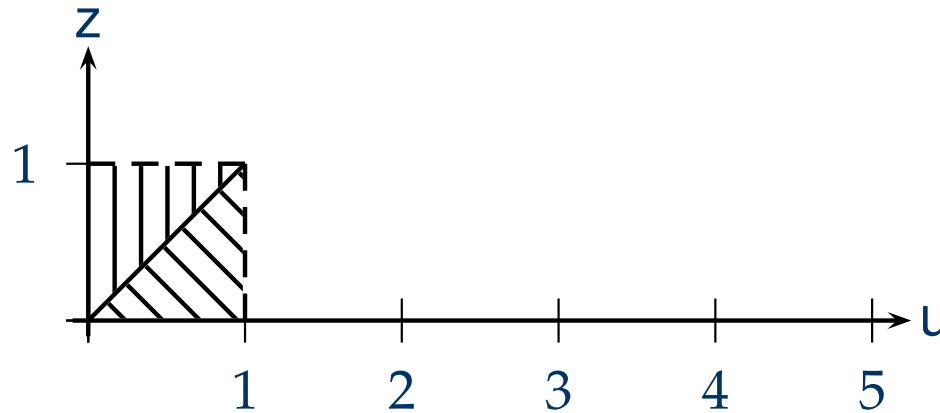
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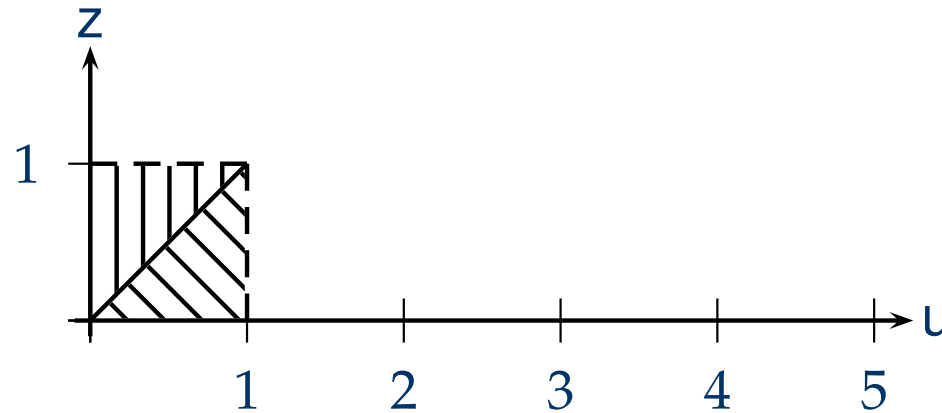
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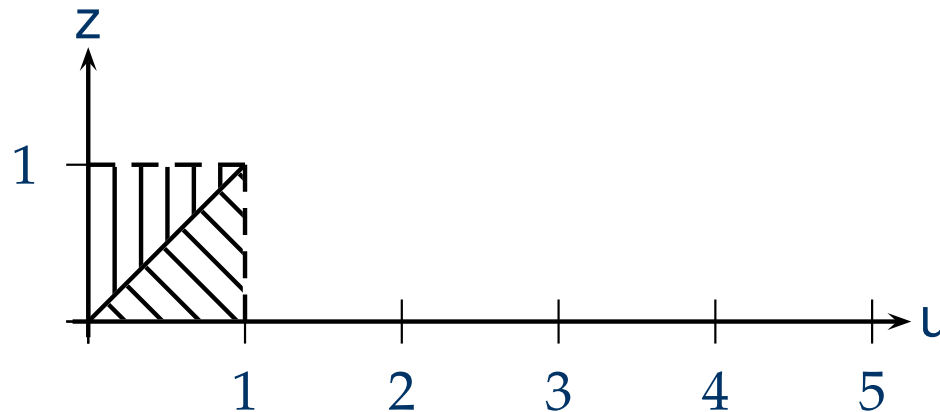
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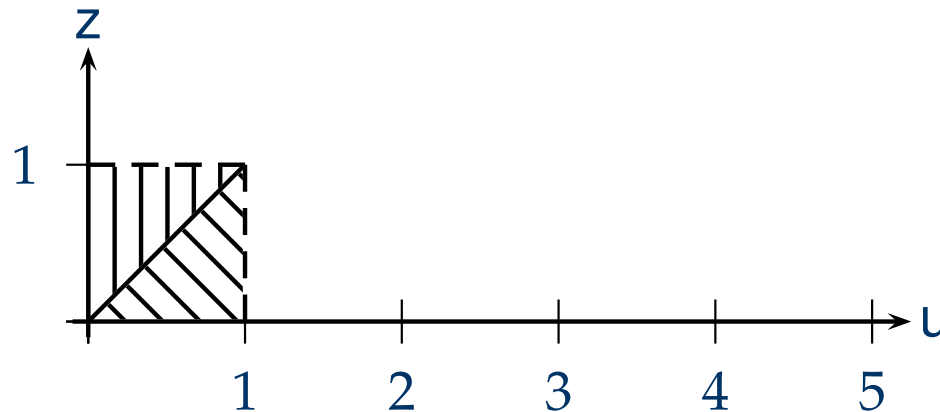
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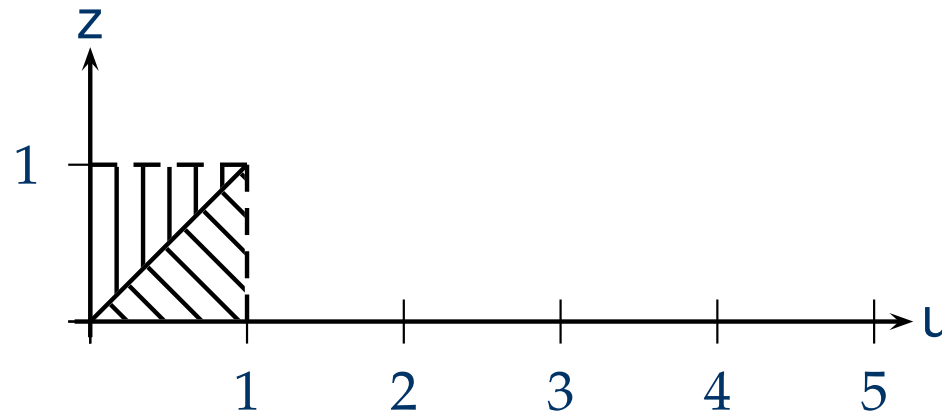
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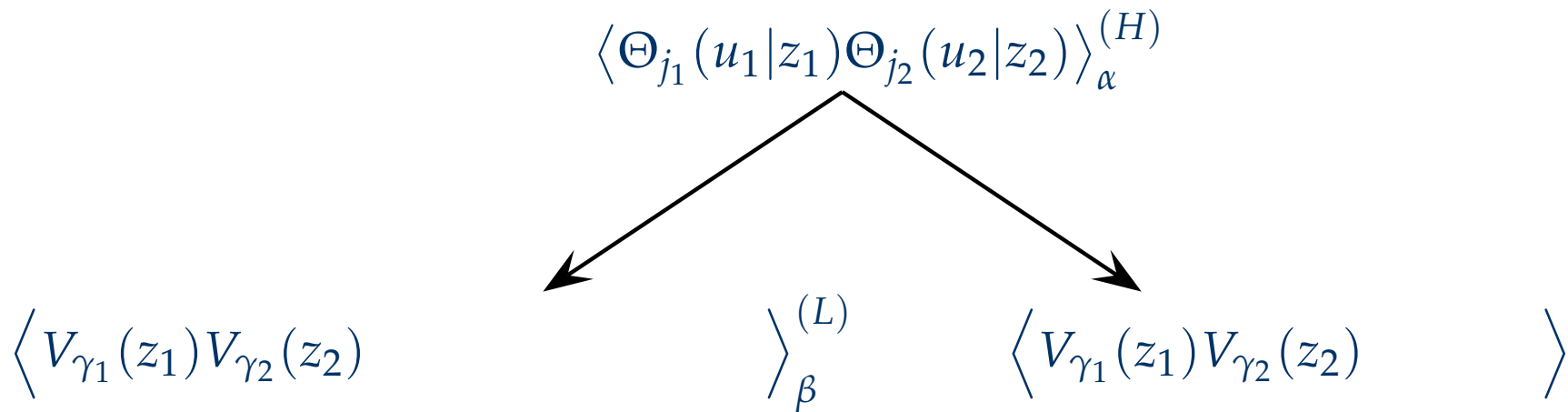
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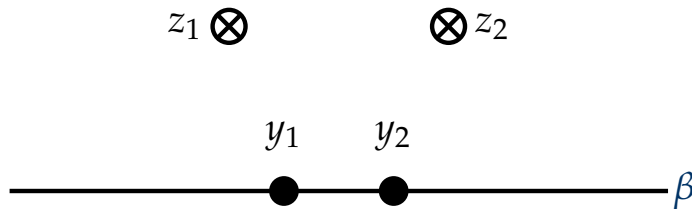
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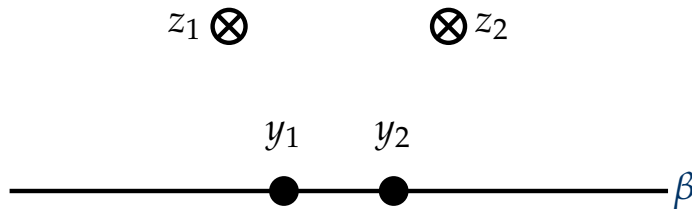
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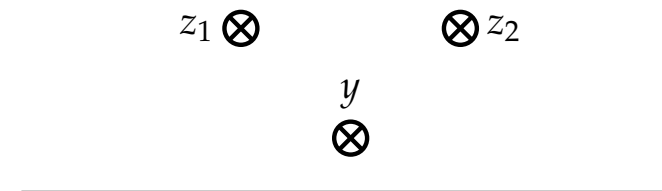
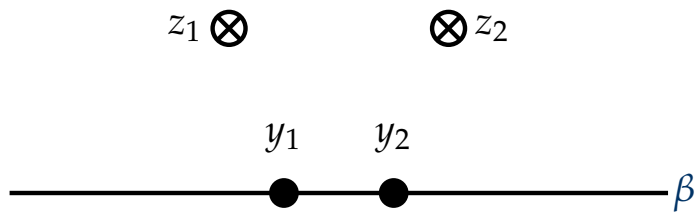
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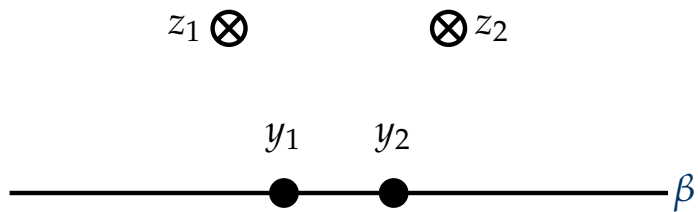
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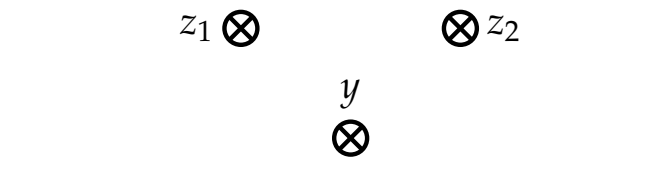
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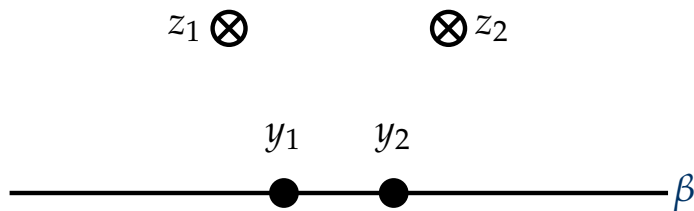
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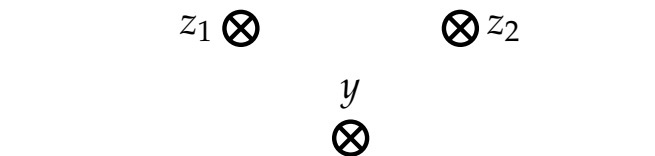
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