Definition (Sum of resources). If the poset \mathbf{A} is monoidal with monoidal product \otimes , then the "sum" of n copies of \mathbf{A} is a design problem given by

$$\Sigma^n : (\mathbf{A}^n)^{\mathrm{op}} \times \mathbf{A} \longrightarrow_{\mathbf{Pos}} \mathbf{Bool}$$

$$\langle \langle x_1, \dots, x_n \rangle^*, y \rangle \longmapsto (x_1 \otimes \dots \otimes x_n \leq_{\mathbf{A}} y).$$

Clearly Σ^n is monotone. Diagrammatically:

