

# Detection of Classifier Inconsistencies in Image Steganalysis

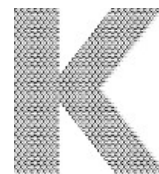
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## SCENARIO

- Batch Steganography & Pooled Steganalysis
- Attack to known algorithm and bit rate

## PROPOSED METHOD

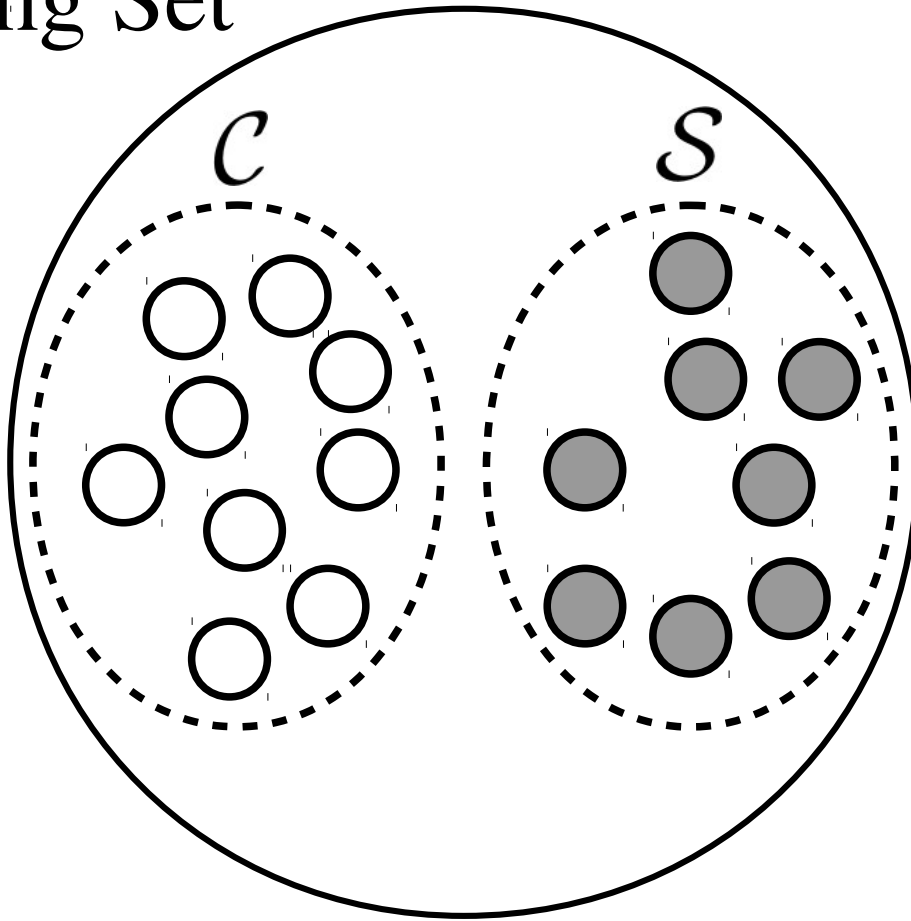
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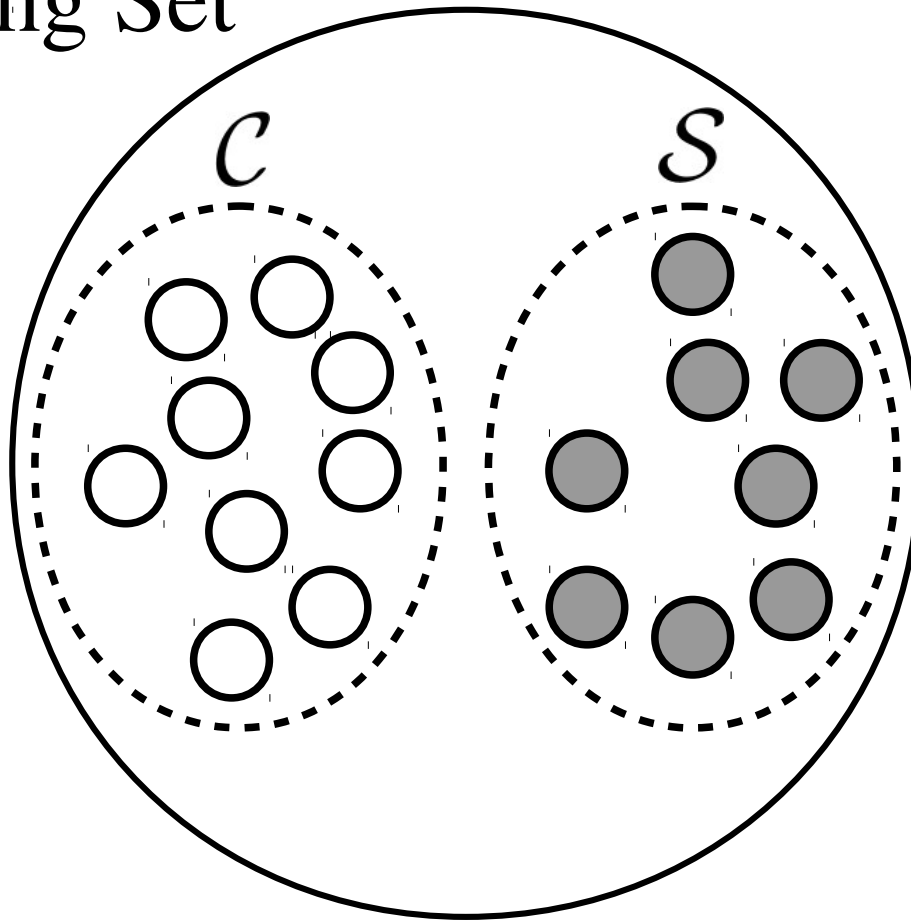
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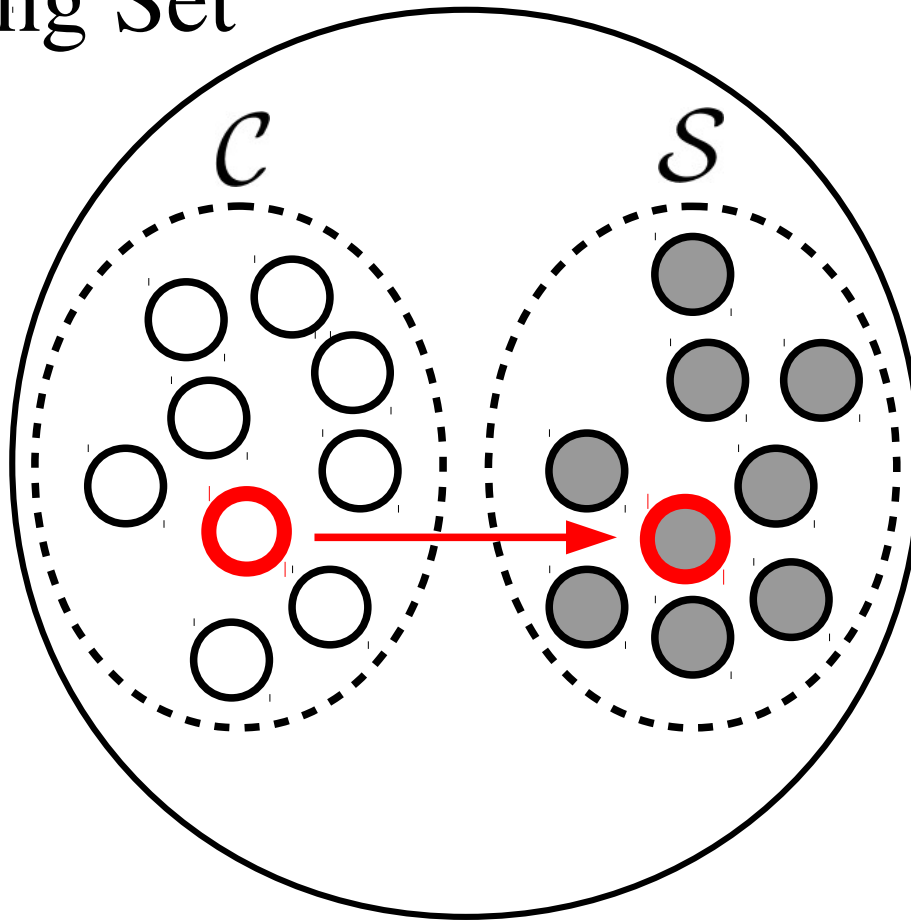
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$$\hat{f} : X \mapsto \{\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{S}\}$$

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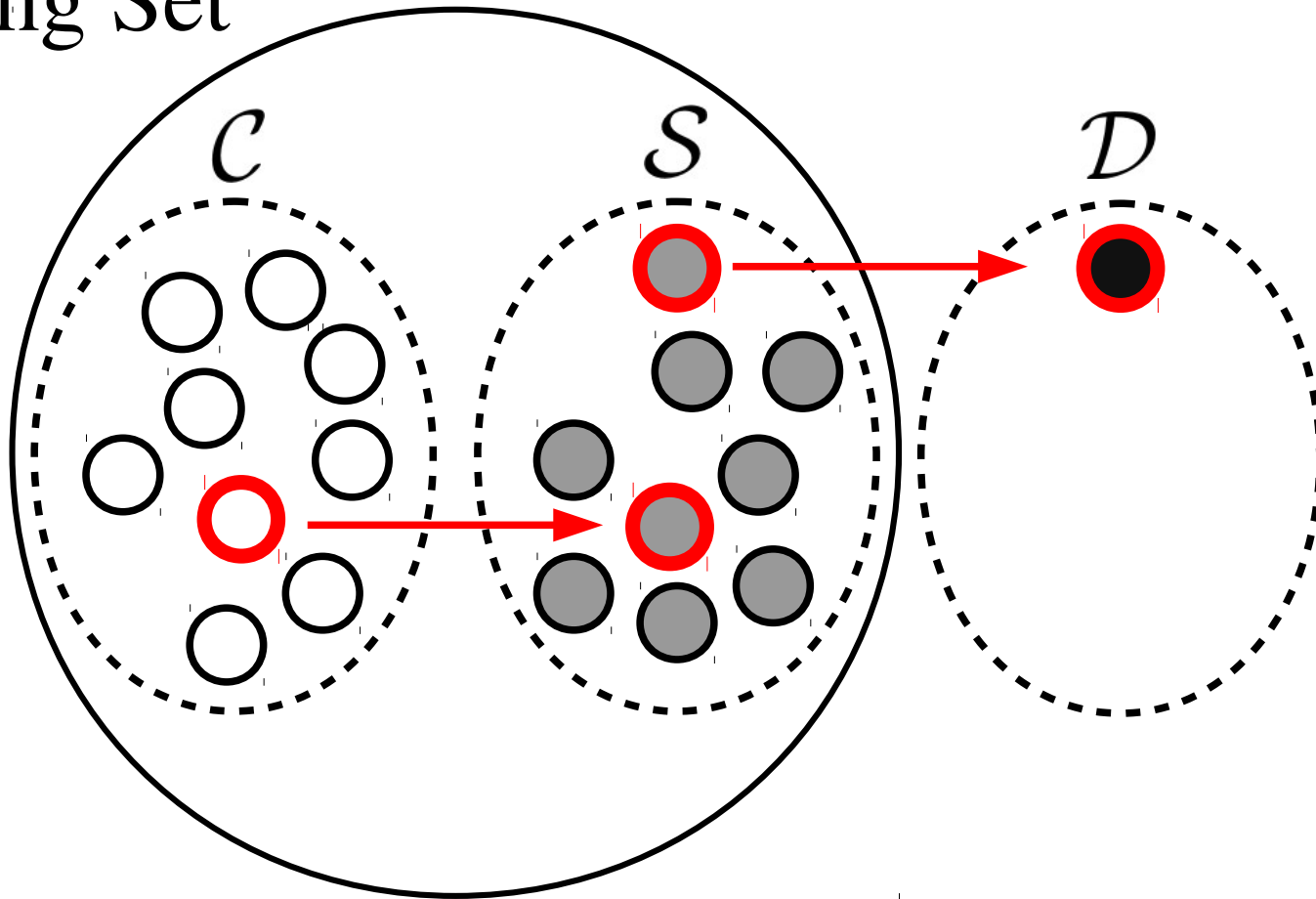
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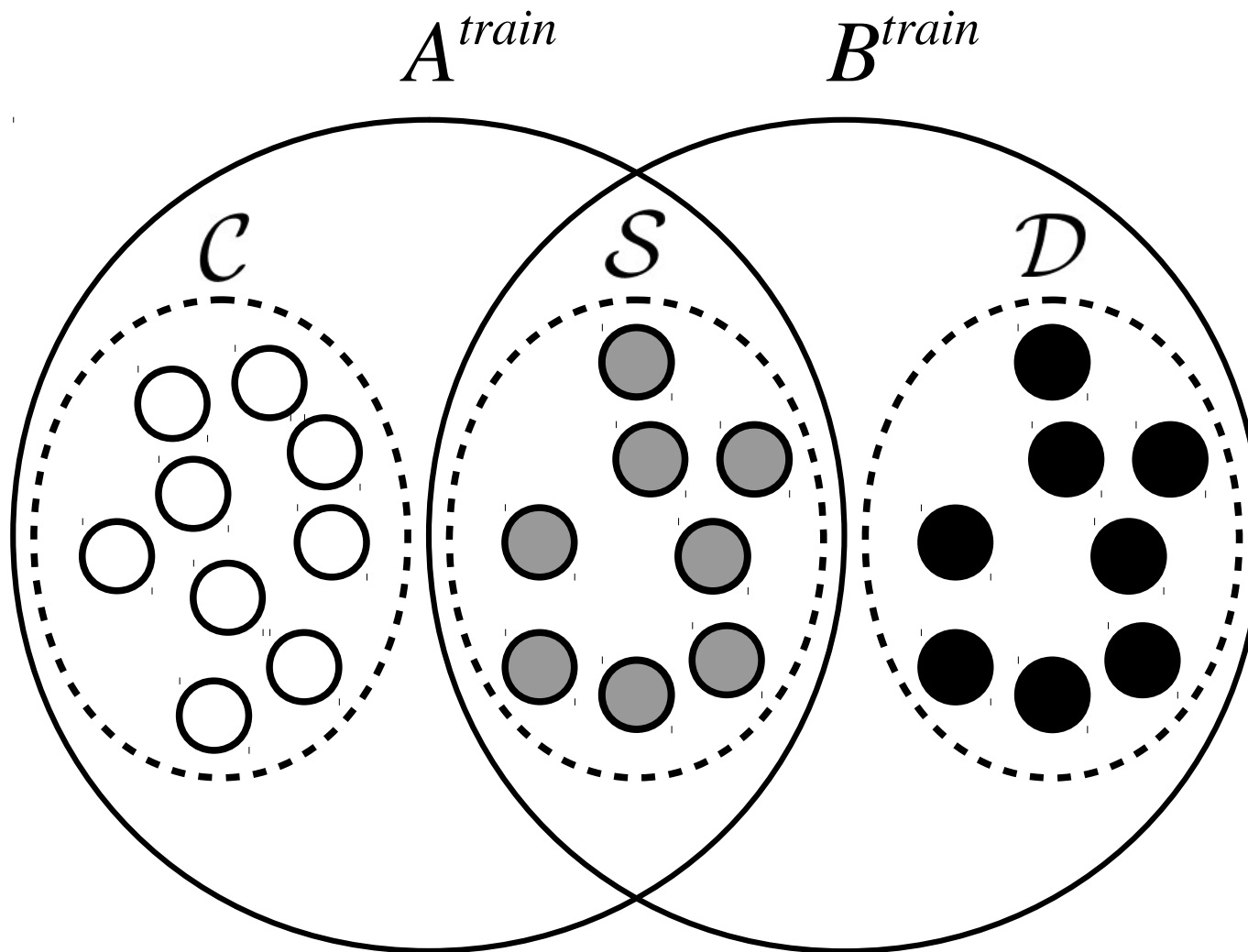


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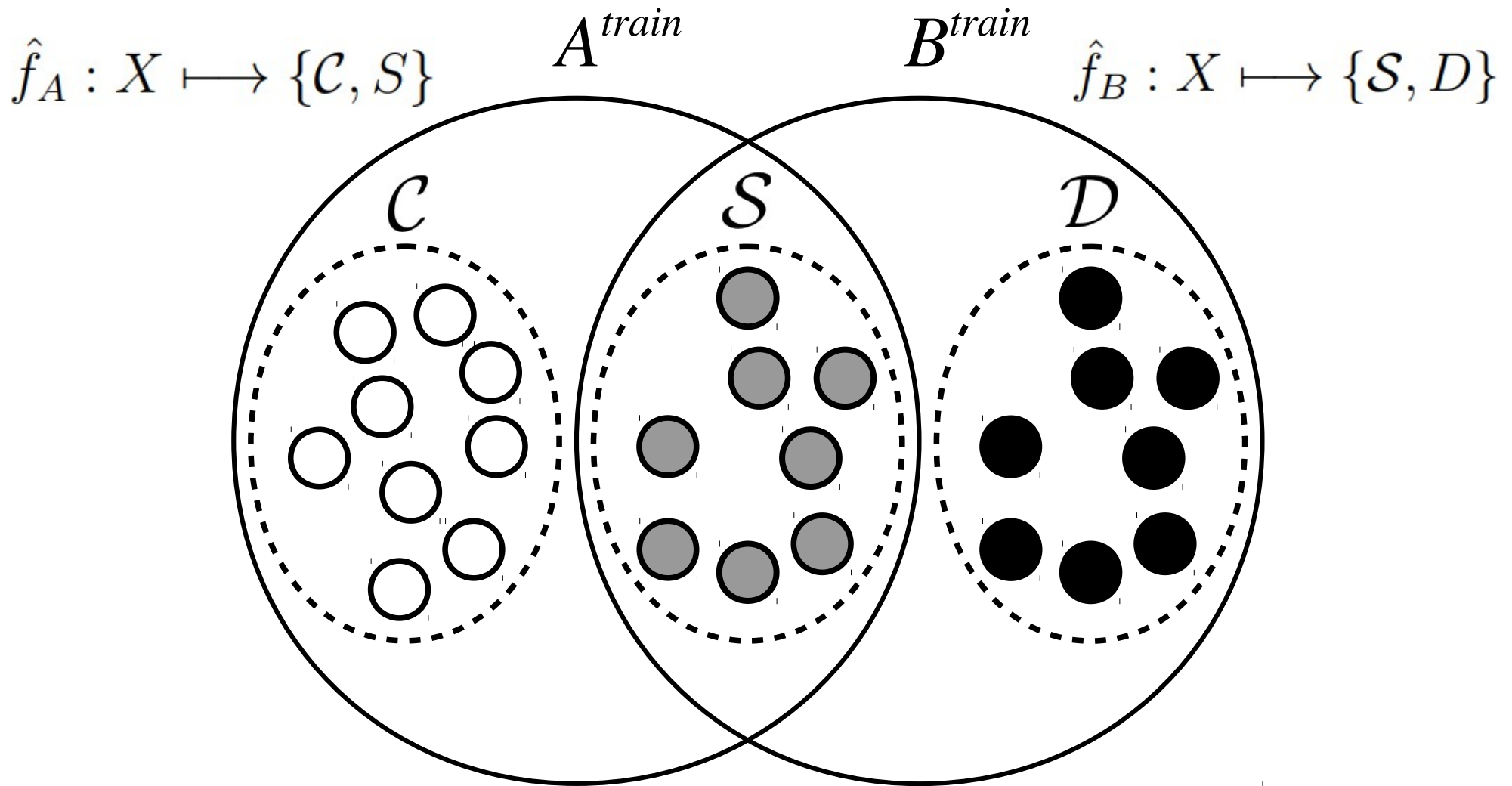
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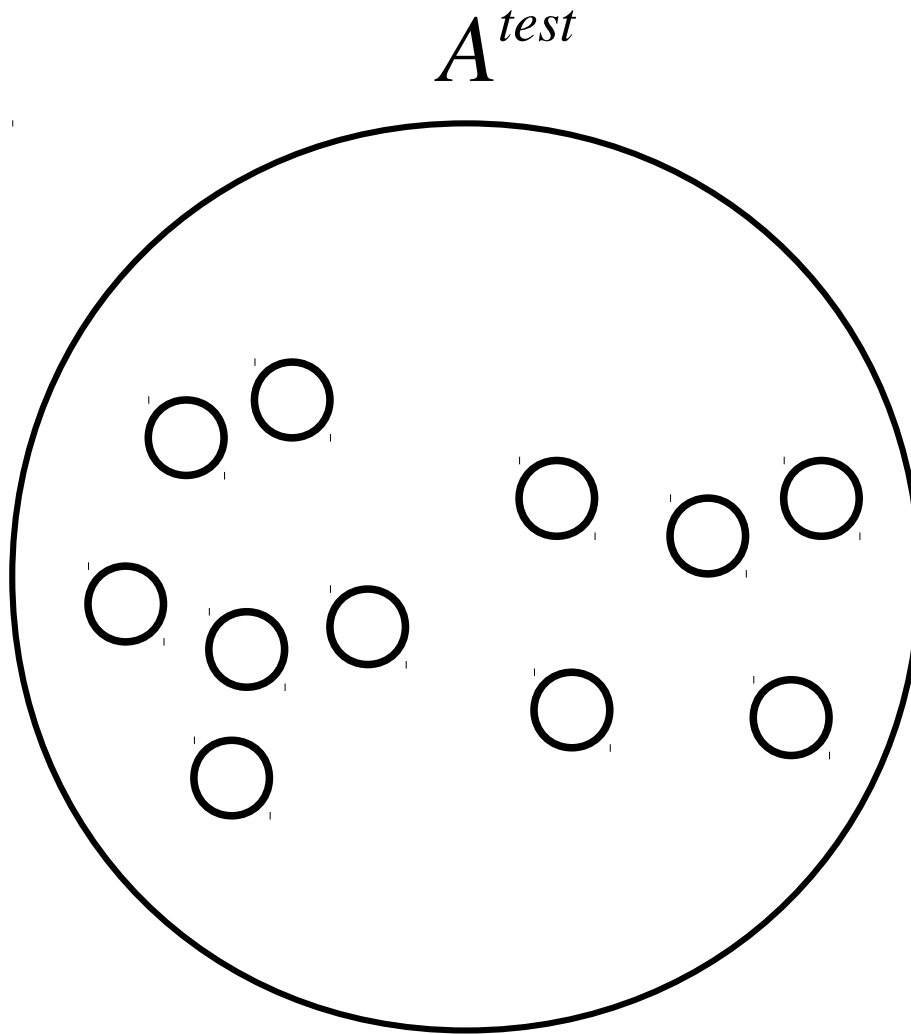
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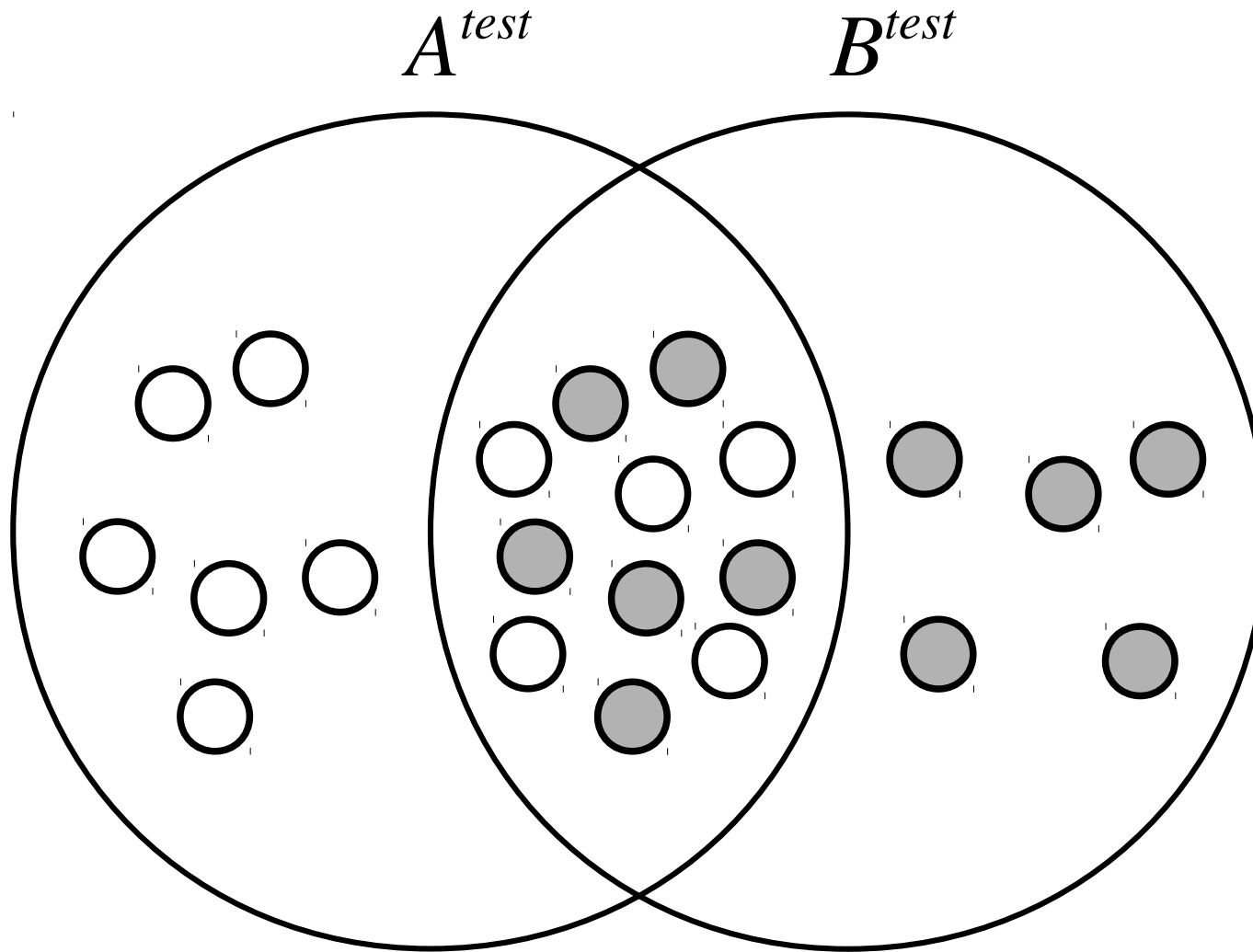
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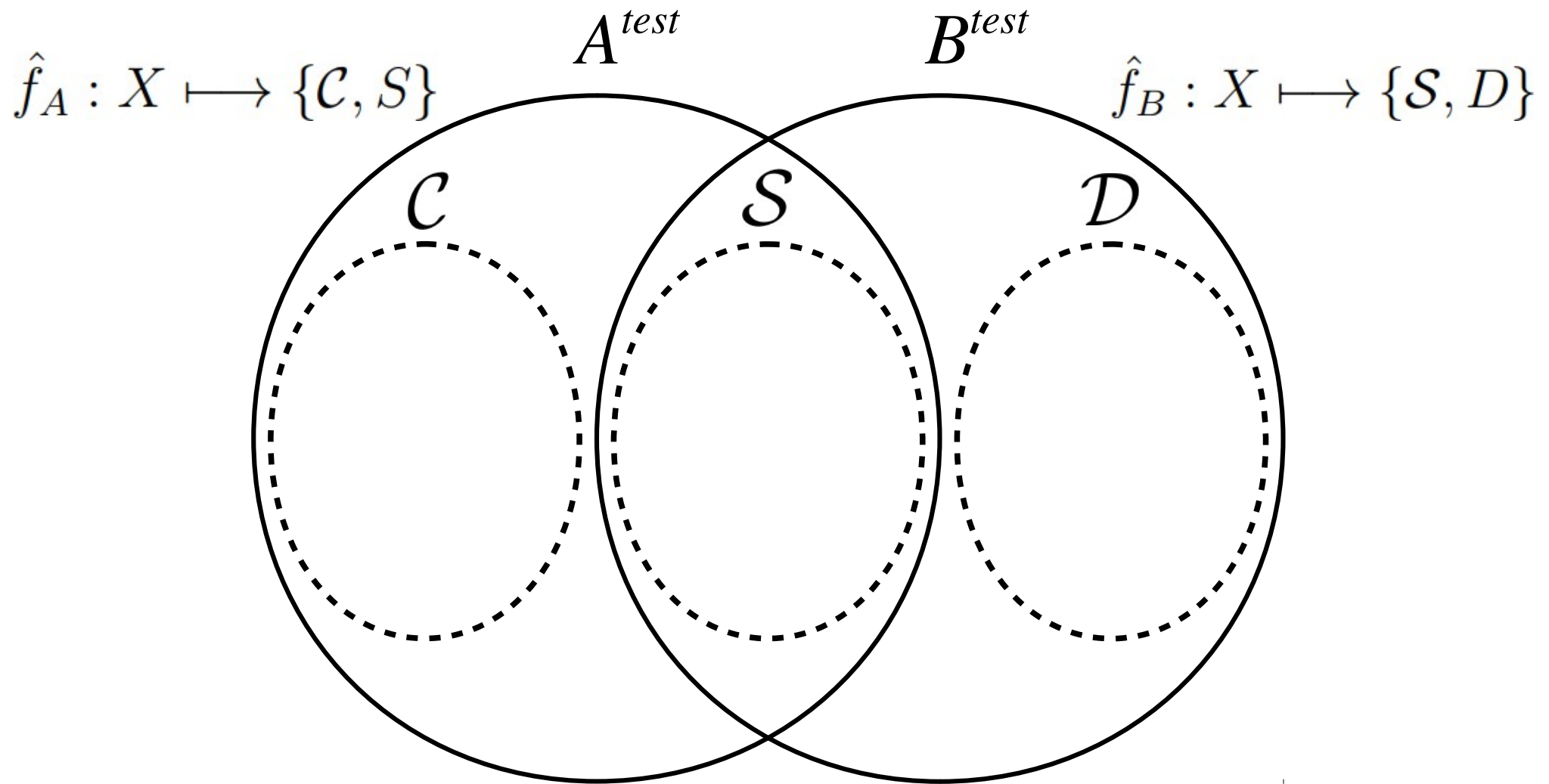
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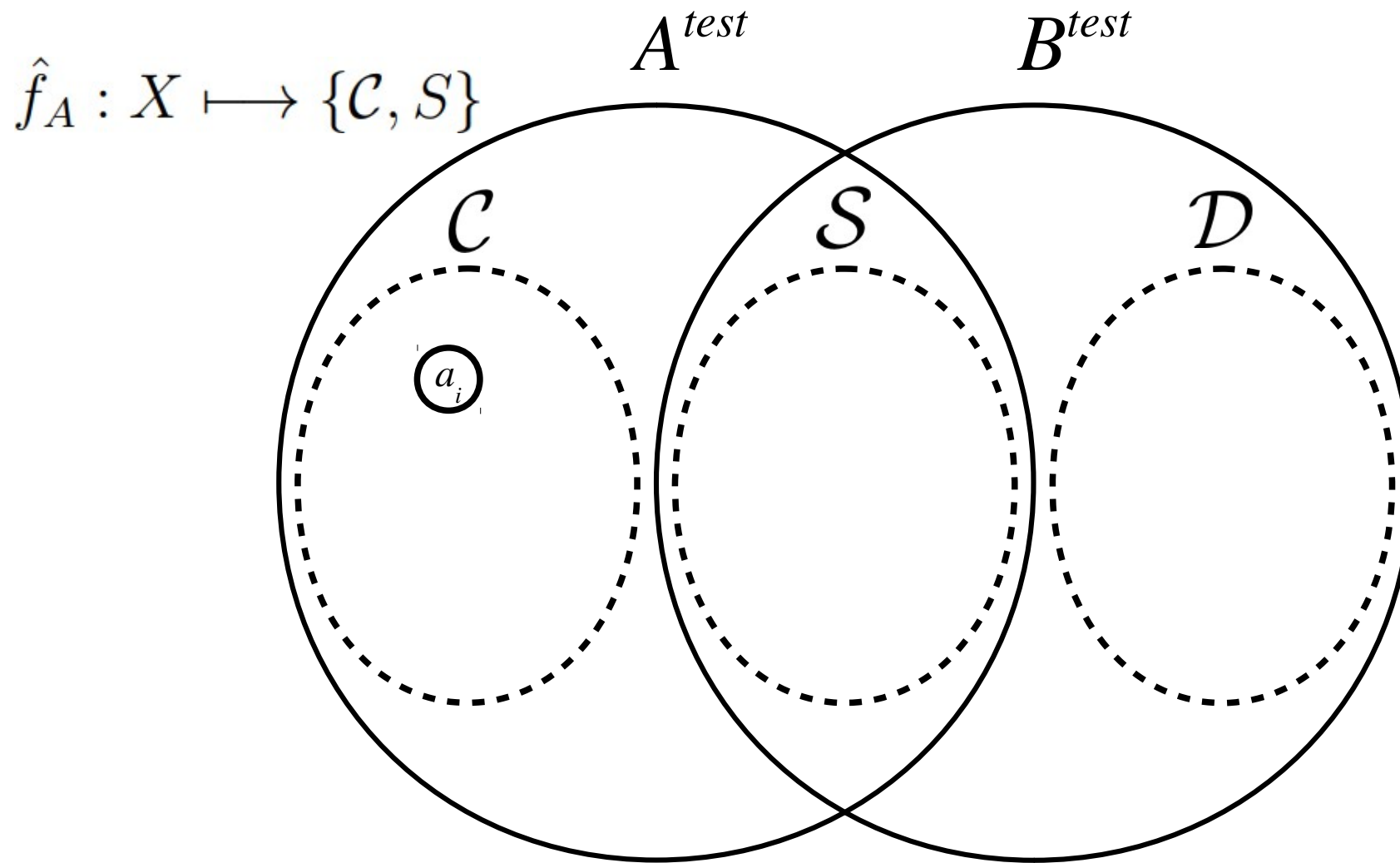
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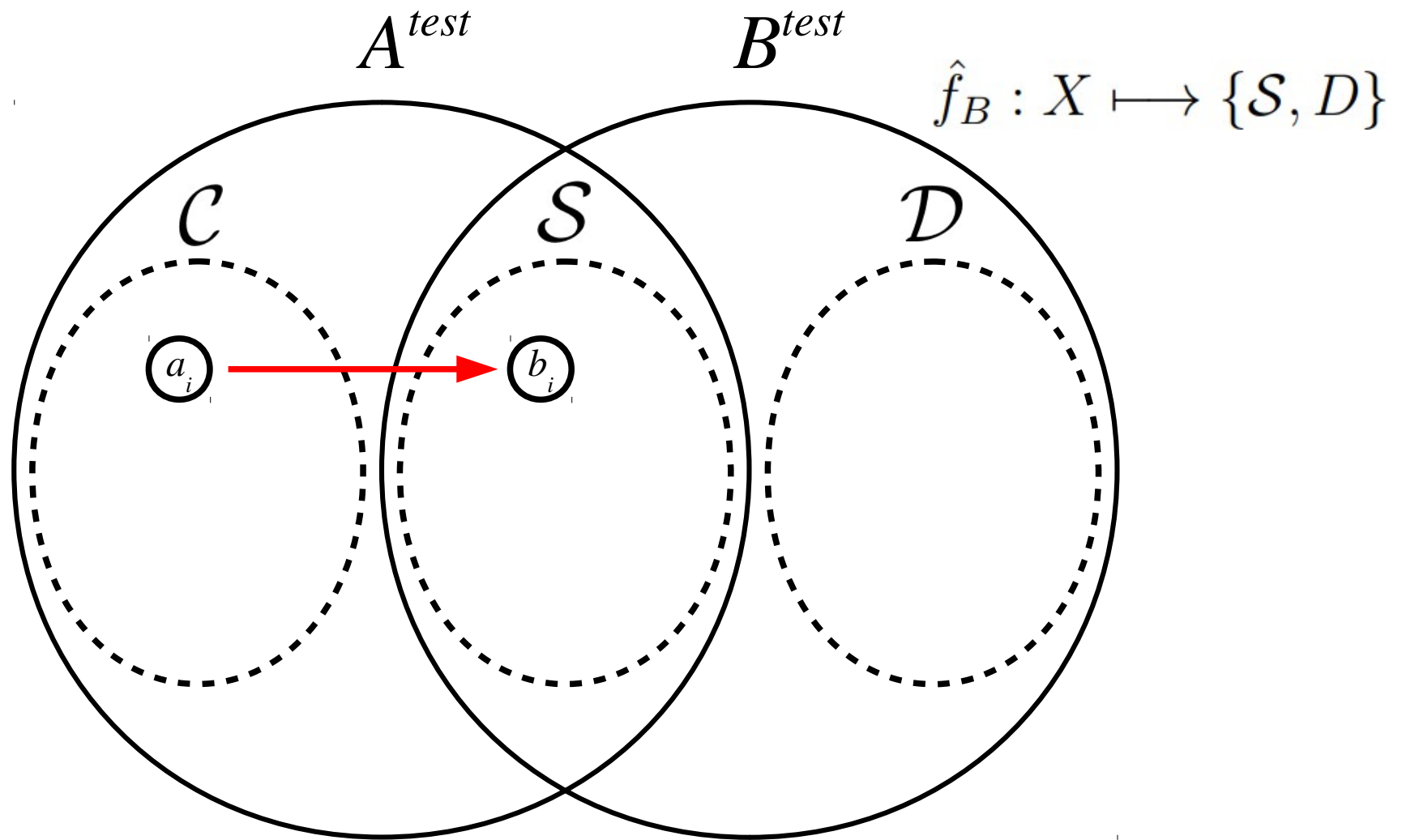


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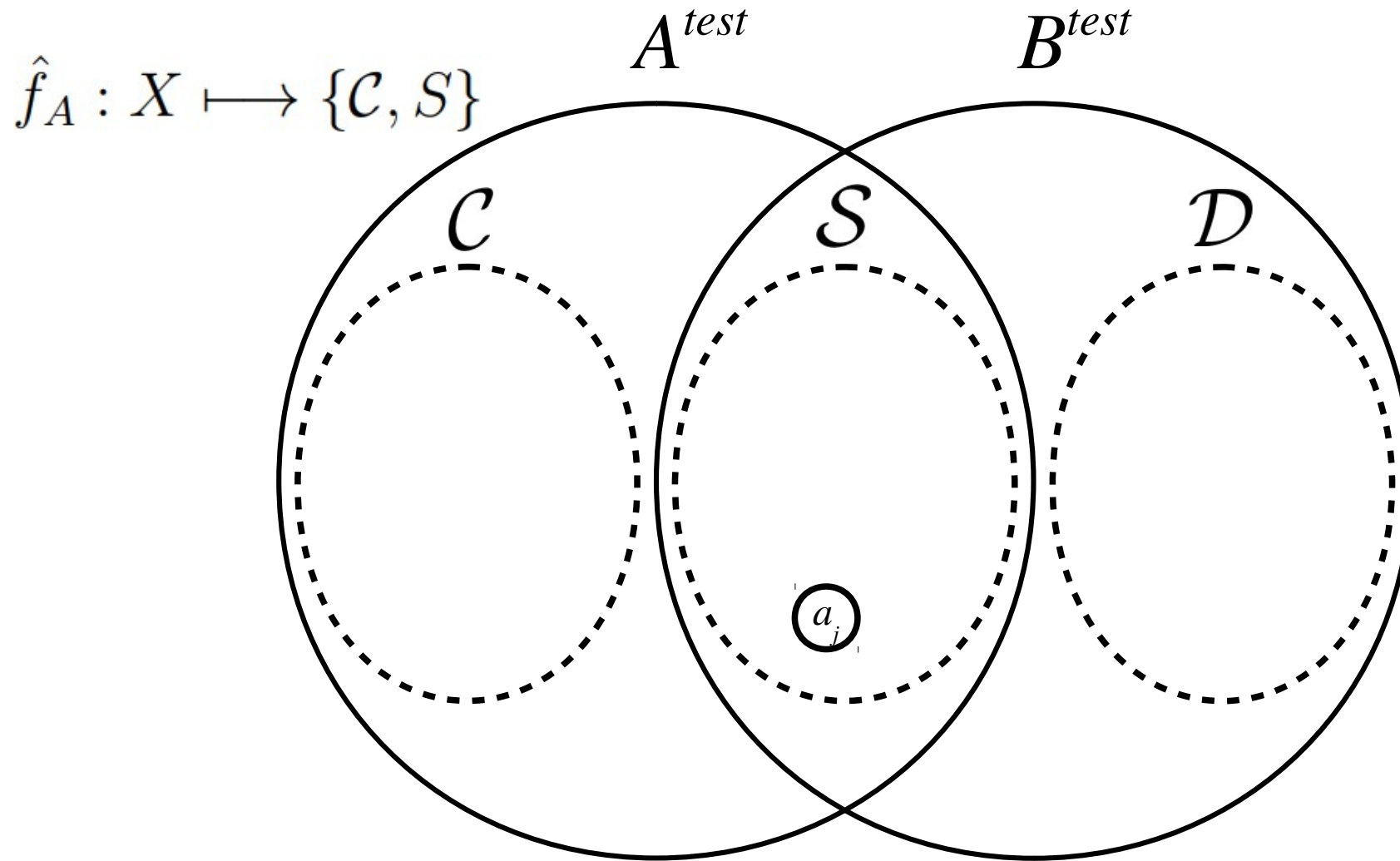




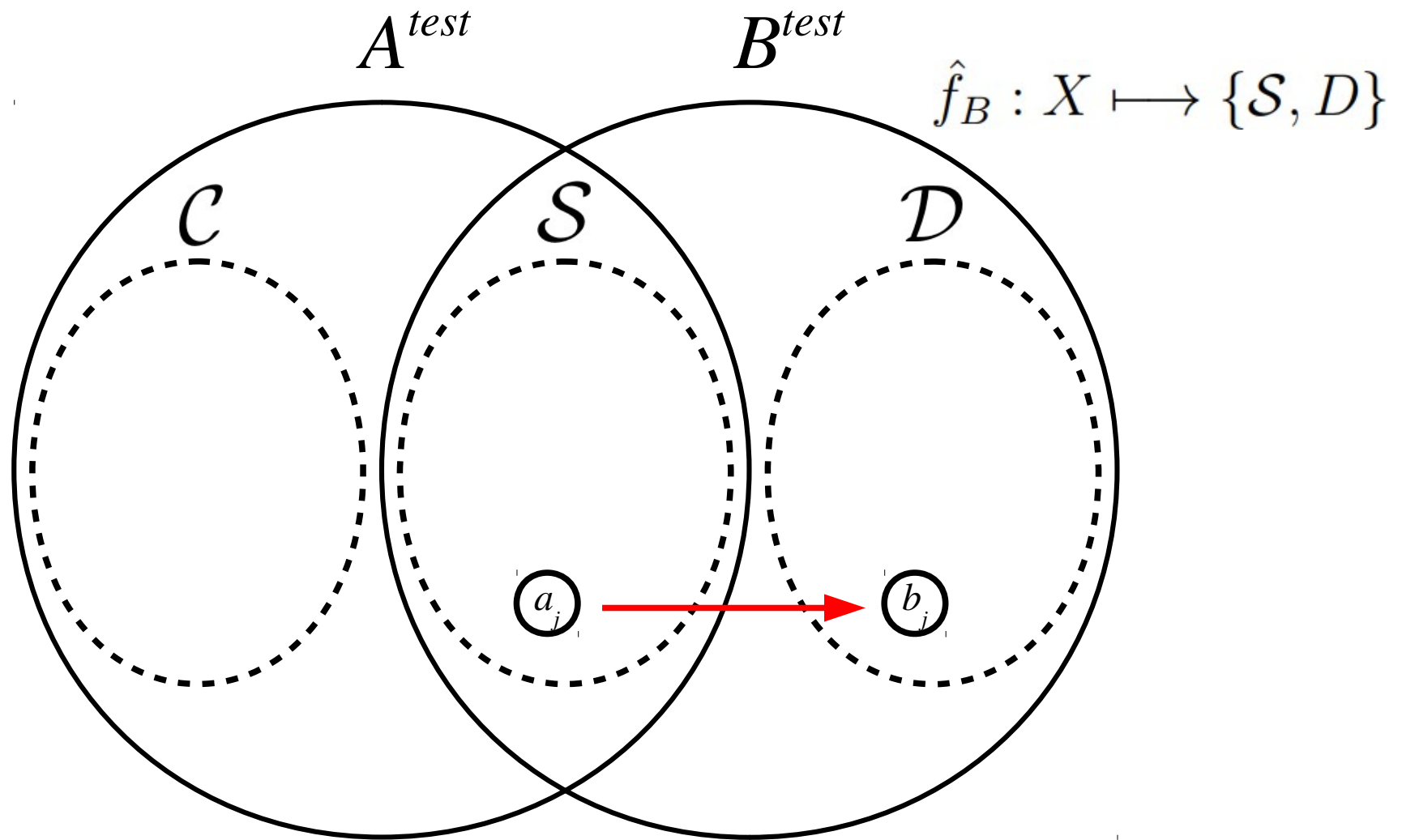
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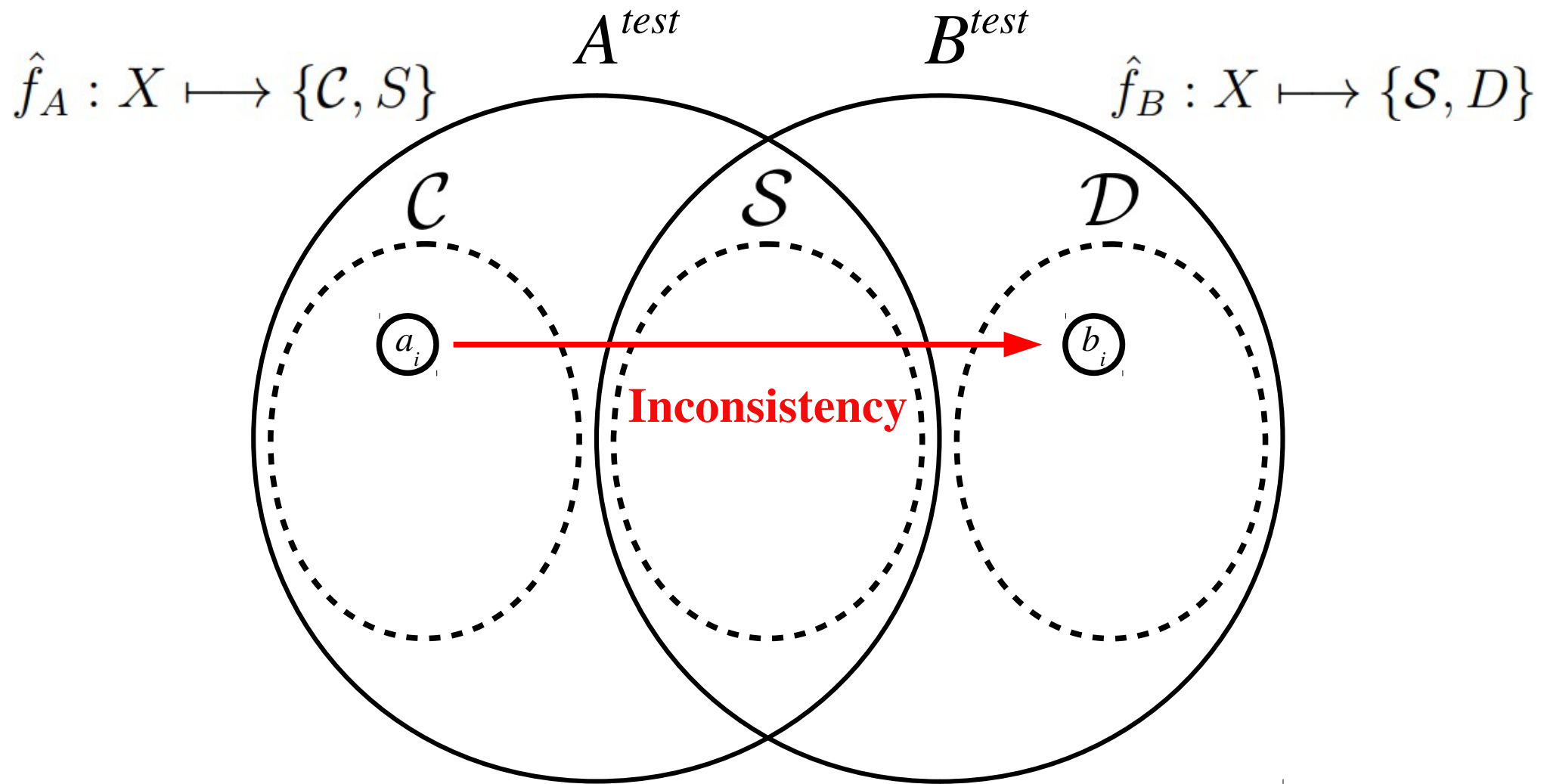
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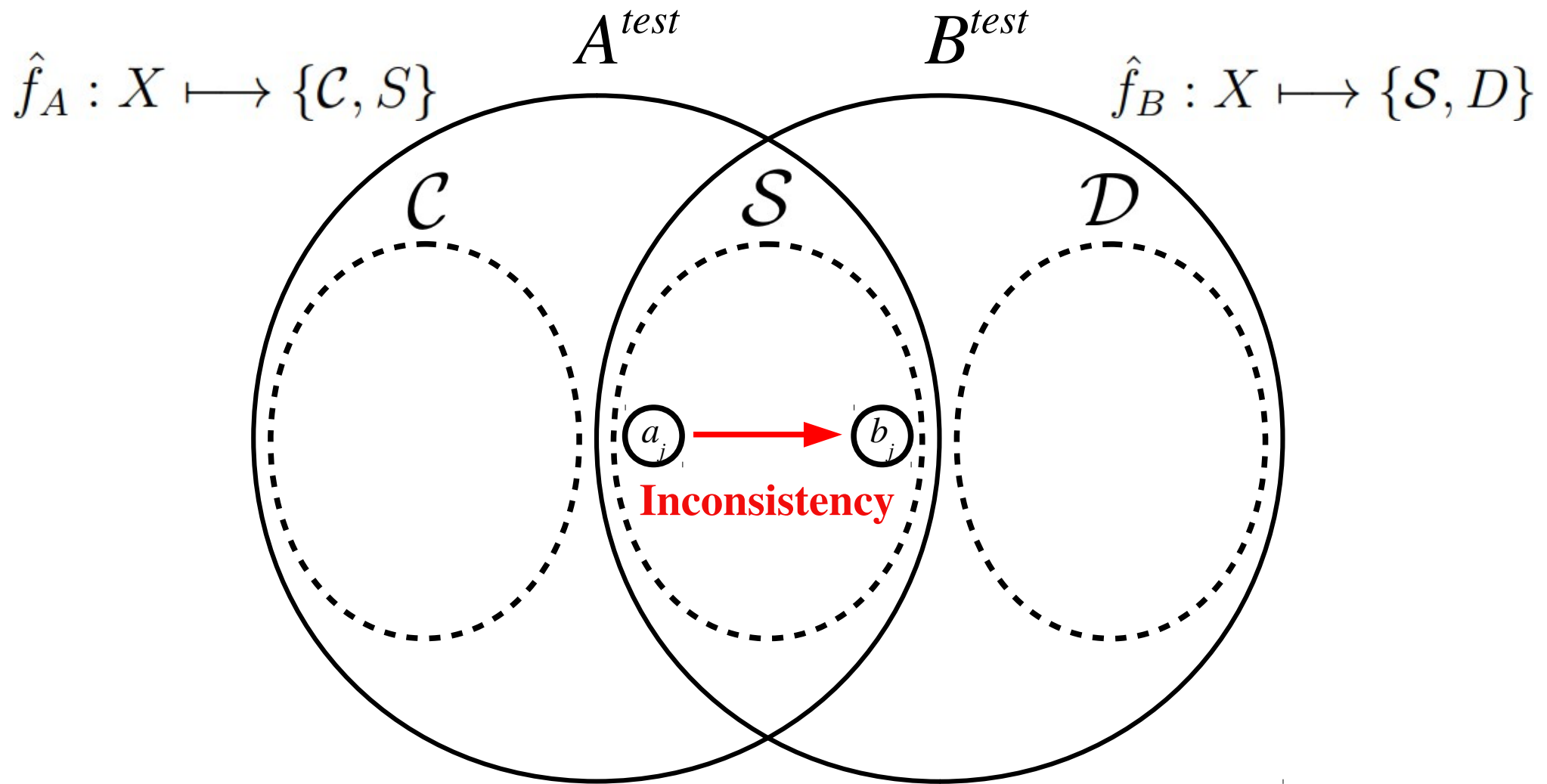
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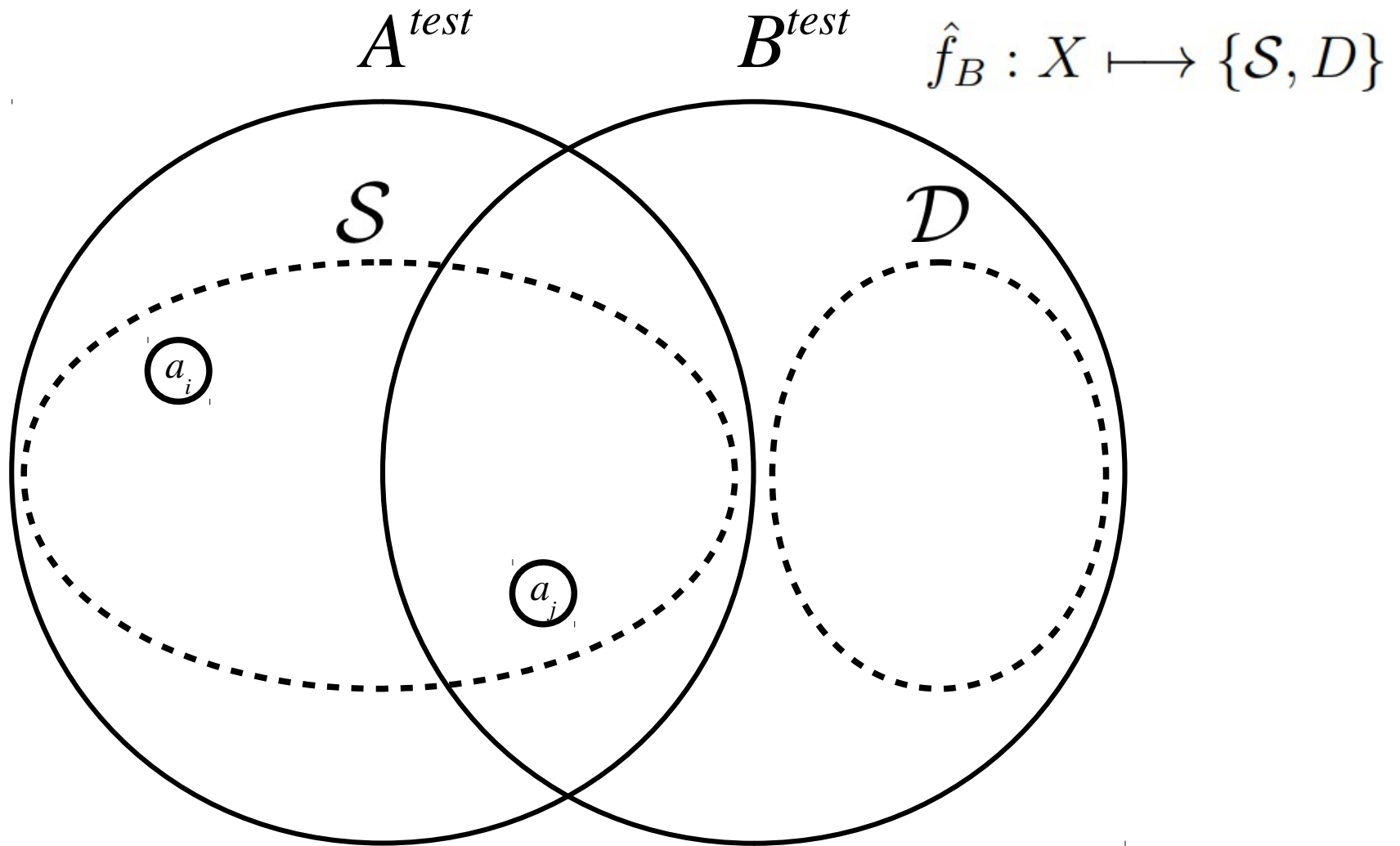
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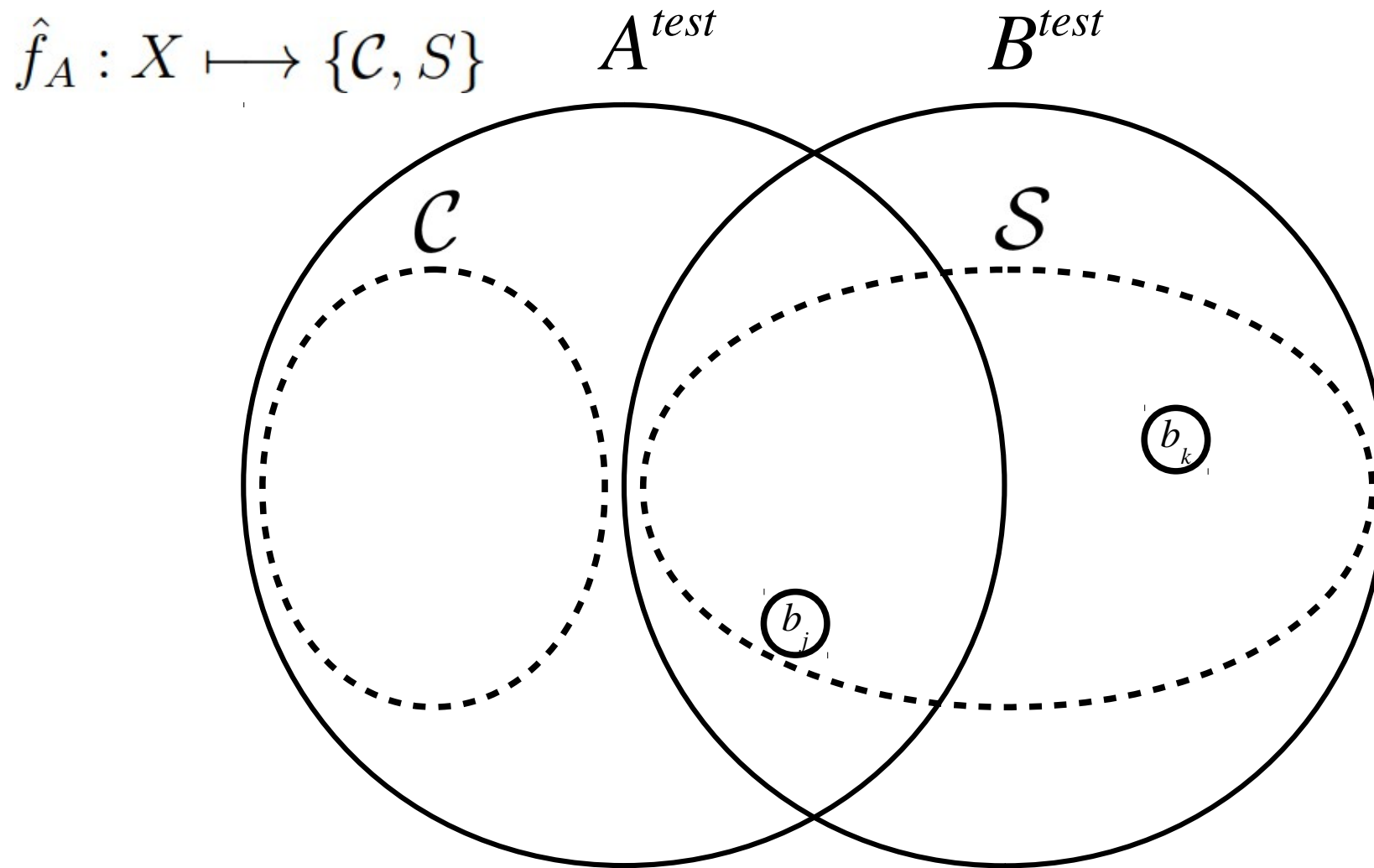
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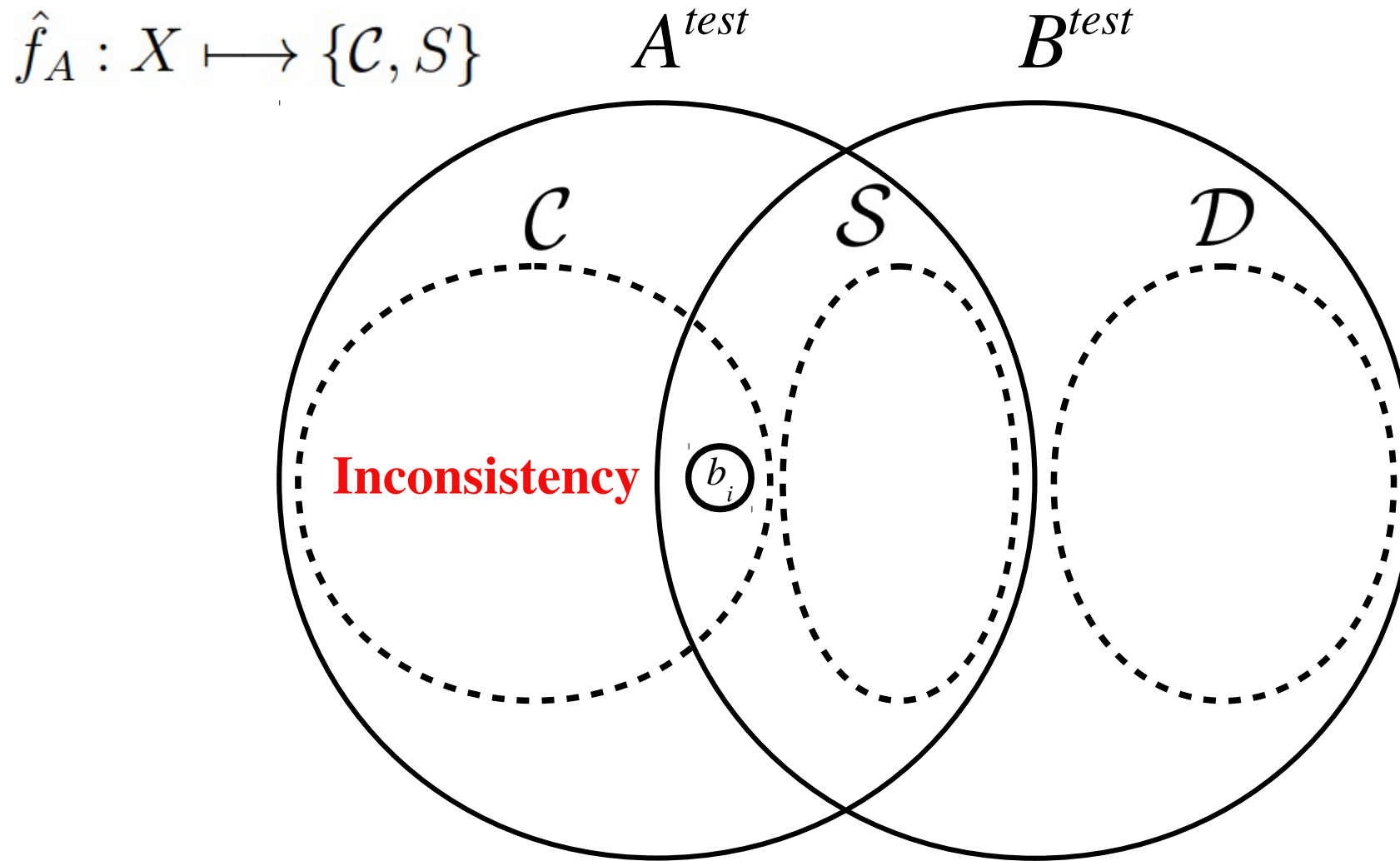




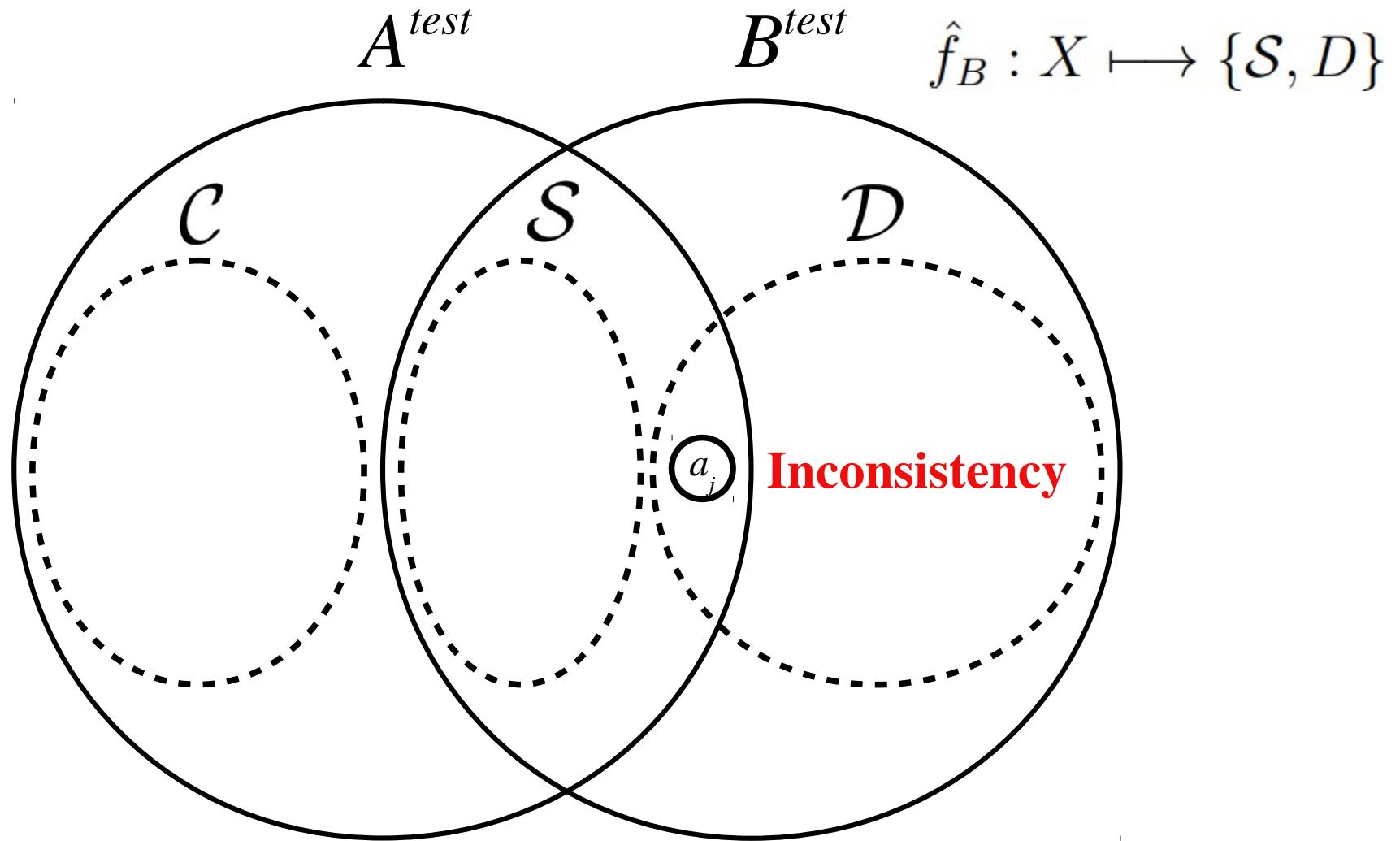
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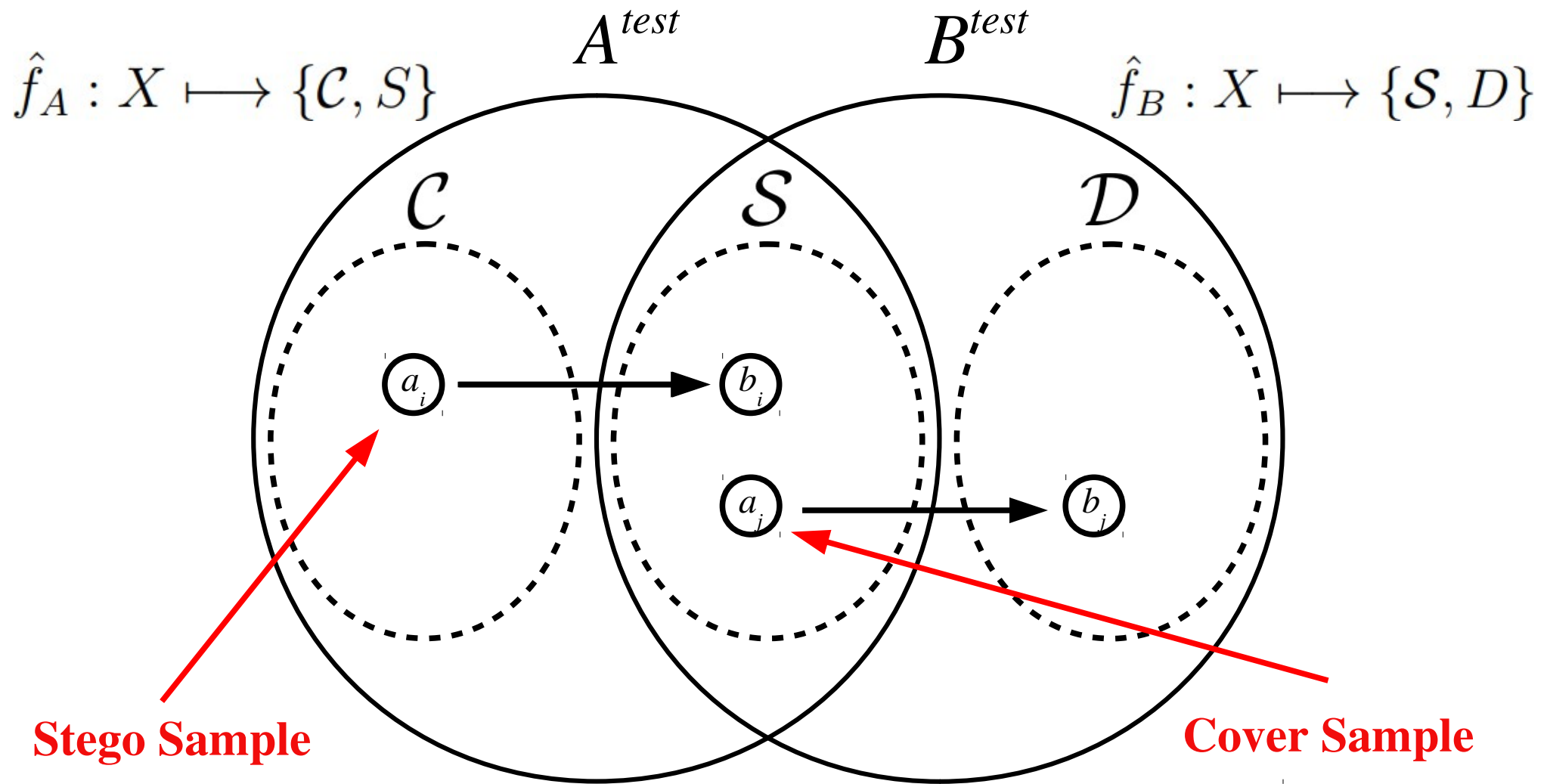
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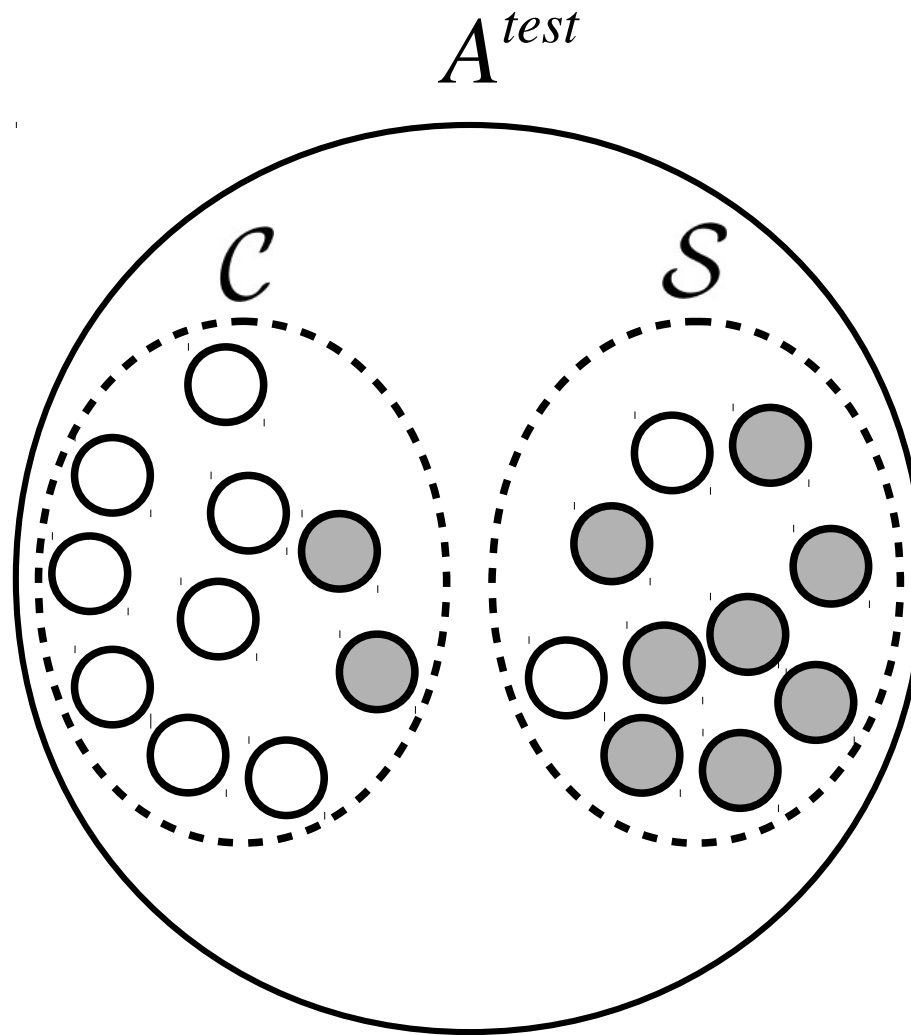
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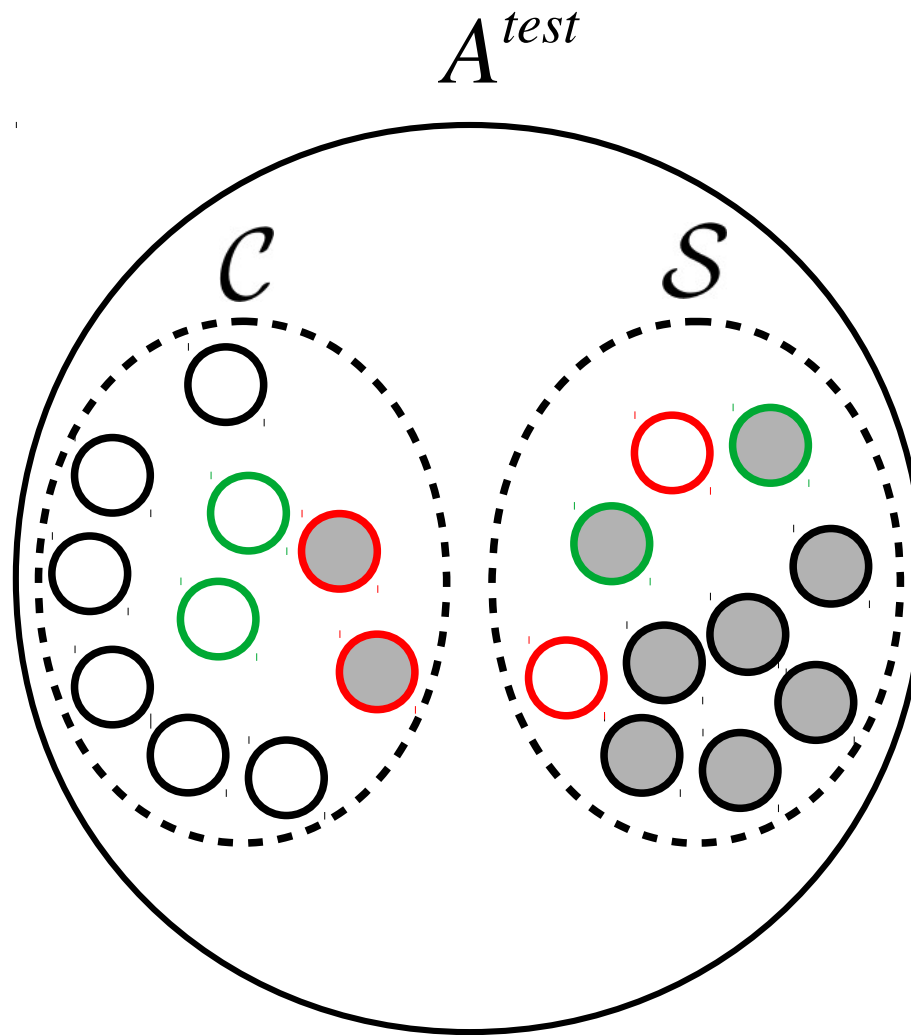
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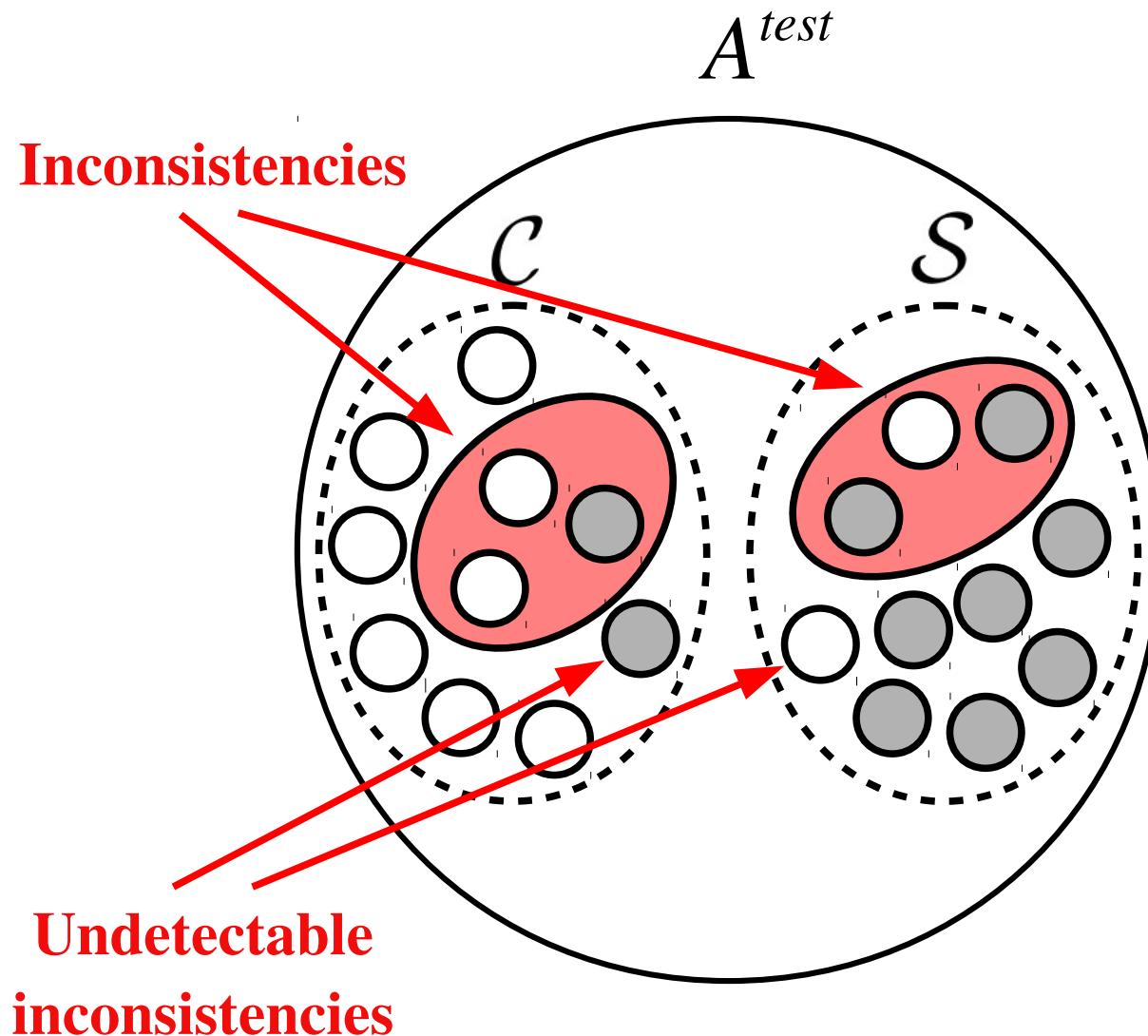
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UED-0.40	BOSS-J95/BOWS2-J95	500/500	GFR+EC	<b>0.1900</b>	<b>0.1635</b>
UED-0.40	BOSS-J95/ALASKA-J95	500/500	GFR+EC	<b>0.4310</b>	<b>0.4145</b>
J-UNIW-0.40	BOSS-J95/BOSS-J95	500/500	GFR+EC	<b>0.2280</b>	<b>0.2295</b>
J-UNIW-0.40	BOSS-J95/BOWS2-J95	500/500	GFR+EC	<b>0.2640</b>	<b>0.2560</b>
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- Single images

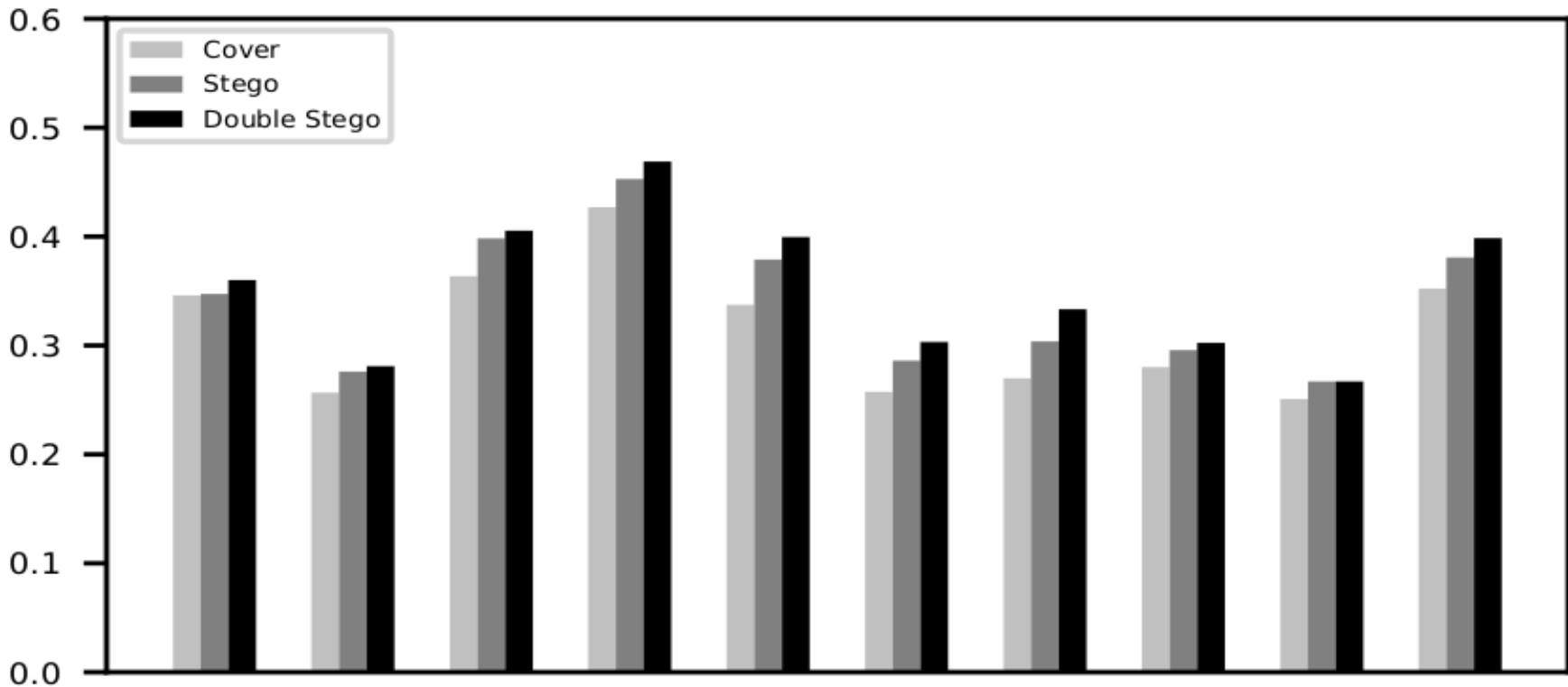


# Unbalanced Prediction

$$p = \frac{\#C}{|A_{\text{test}}|}, \quad p = \frac{\#S}{|A_{\text{test}}|} = 1 - p, \quad \text{ERR}_{\text{pred}} = \frac{q \cdot \text{INC}_C + p \cdot \text{INC}_S}{|A_{\text{test}}|}$$

ALGO	DBs	C/S	CLF	Err	Err <sub>pred</sub>	INC	INC <sub>C</sub>	INC <sub>S</sub>	
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.4530</b>	<b>0.4365</b>	873	44	829	<b>0.4365</b>
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/250	RM+EC	<b>0.6027</b>	<b>0.4233</b>	635	43	592	<b>0.5453</b>
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/0	RM+EC	<b>0.8920</b>	<b>0.3950</b>	395	38	357	<b>0.7140</b>
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	250/500	RM+EC	<b>0.3067</b>	<b>0.4473</b>	671	24	647	<b>0.3088</b>
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	0/500	RM+EC	<b>0.0140</b>	<b>0.4780</b>	478	6	472	<b>0.0120</b>

# Feature embedding



Top 10 features  
**HILL 0.4 / Bossbase**

# Stego / Double Stego

ALGO	BR	1 embedding		2 embeddings	
		$\pm 1$	$\pm 2$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 2$
HILL	0.4	22,582,706	0	33,993,485	2,819,705
HILL	0.2	9,897,485	0	16,112,459	933,376
UNIWARD	0.4	19,509,940	0	32,748,639	1,563,635
UNIWARD	0.2	8,523,446	0	15,139,023	477,200
LSBM	0.2	27,528,954	0	49,277,814	1,439,498

1000 Bossbase images

## **Experiment HILL 0.40:**

B set with +/- 1 and +/-2, Error: 0.2770

B set with +/- 1 and +/-1, Error: 0.3160

# Error (consistent samples)

ALGO	DBs	C/S	CLF	Err	Err <sub>pred</sub>	Err	TP	TN	FP	FN	INC
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2440</b>	<b>0.2410</b>	0.1564	214	223	41	40	482
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOSS	500/250	RM+EC	<b>0.2573</b>	<b>0.2407</b>	0.1491	108	223	41	17	361
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOSS	500/0	RM+EC	<b>0.2840</b>	<b>0.2360</b>	0.1553	0	223	41	0	236
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOSS	250/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2320</b>	<b>0.2420</b>	0.1628	214	110	23	40	363
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOSS	0/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2040</b>	<b>0.2460</b>	0.1575	214	0	0	40	246
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.4530</b>	<b>0.4365</b>	0.7087	21	16	89	1	873
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/250	RM+EC	<b>0.6027</b>	<b>0.4233</b>	0.7826	9	16	89	1	635
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	500/0	RM+EC	<b>0.8920</b>	<b>0.3950</b>	0.8476	0	16	89	0	395
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	250/500	RM+EC	<b>0.3067</b>	<b>0.4473</b>	0.6203	21	9	48	1	671
HILL-0.40	BOSS/BOWS2	0/500	RM+EC	<b>0.0140</b>	<b>0.4780</b>	0.0455	21	0	0	1	478
HILL-0.40	BOSS/ALASKA	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.4810</b>	<b>0.4750</b>	0.2600	19	18	11	2	950
HILL-0.40	BOSS/ALASKA	500/250	RM+EC	<b>0.5453</b>	<b>0.4727</b>	0.2927	11	18	11	1	709
HILL-0.40	BOSS/ALASKA	500/0	RM+EC	<b>0.7000</b>	<b>0.4710</b>	0.3793	0	18	11	0	471
HILL-0.40	BOSS/ALASKA	250/500	RM+EC	<b>0.4027</b>	<b>0.4787</b>	0.1875	19	7	4	2	718
HILL-0.40	BOSS/ALASKA	0/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2620</b>	<b>0.4790</b>	0.0952	19	0	0	2	479



# Stego Source Mismatch

ALGO	DBs	C/S	CLF	Err	Err <sub>pred</sub>
HILL-0.40/0.20	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2850</b>	<b>0.4200</b>
HILL-0.40/0.30	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2450</b>	<b>0.3470</b>
HILL-0.40/0.40	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2440</b>	<b>0.2410</b>
HILL-0.40/0.50	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2640</b>	<b>0.1880</b>
HILL-0.40/0.60	BOSS/BOSS	500/500	RM+EC	<b>0.2820</b>	<b>0.1800</b>