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The notation, say, (5.24) refers to Formula 24 in Chapter 5 of the book

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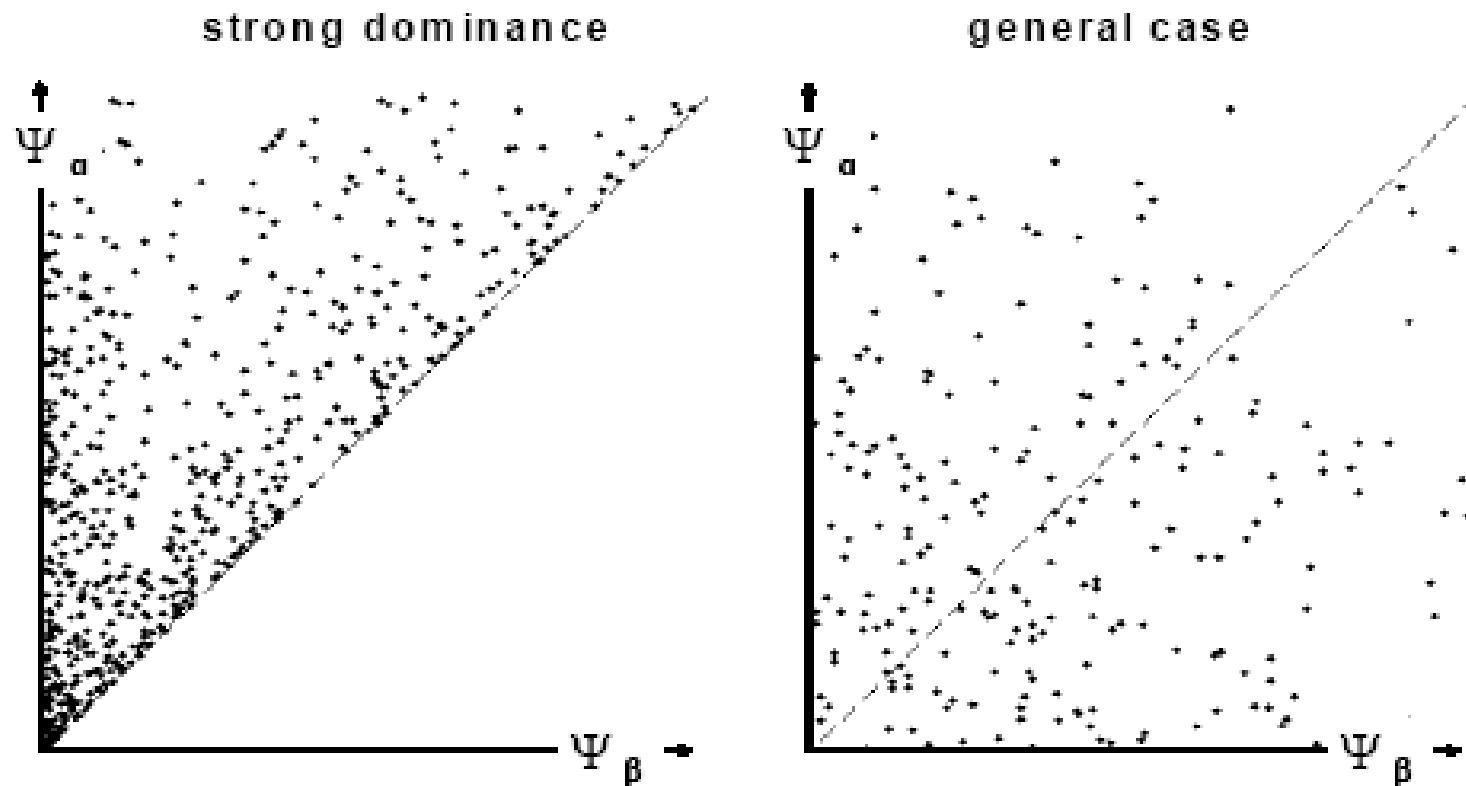
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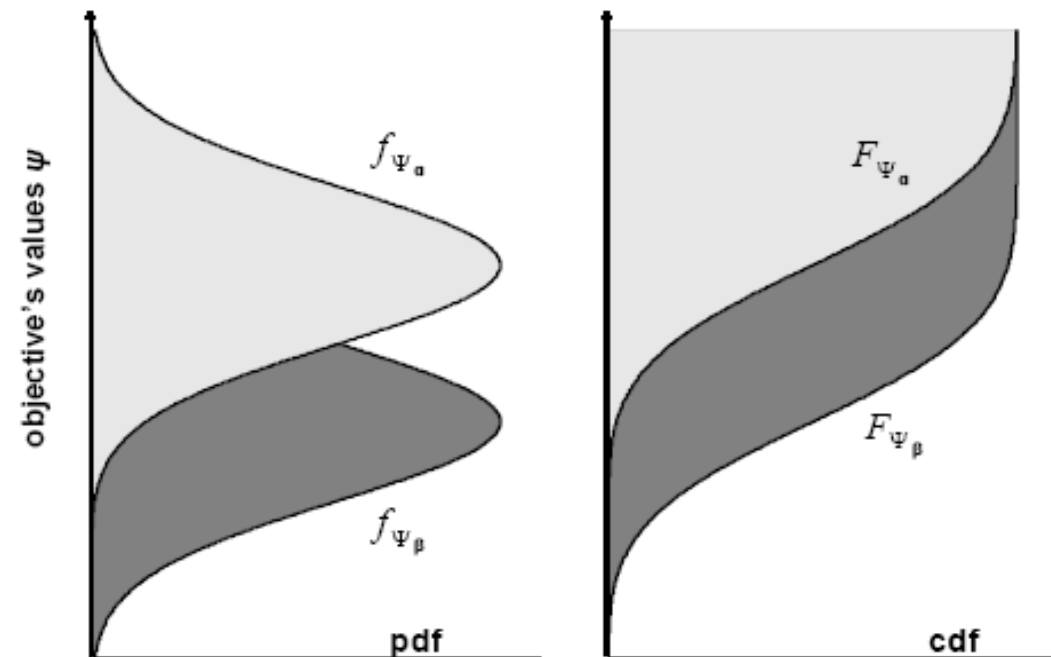
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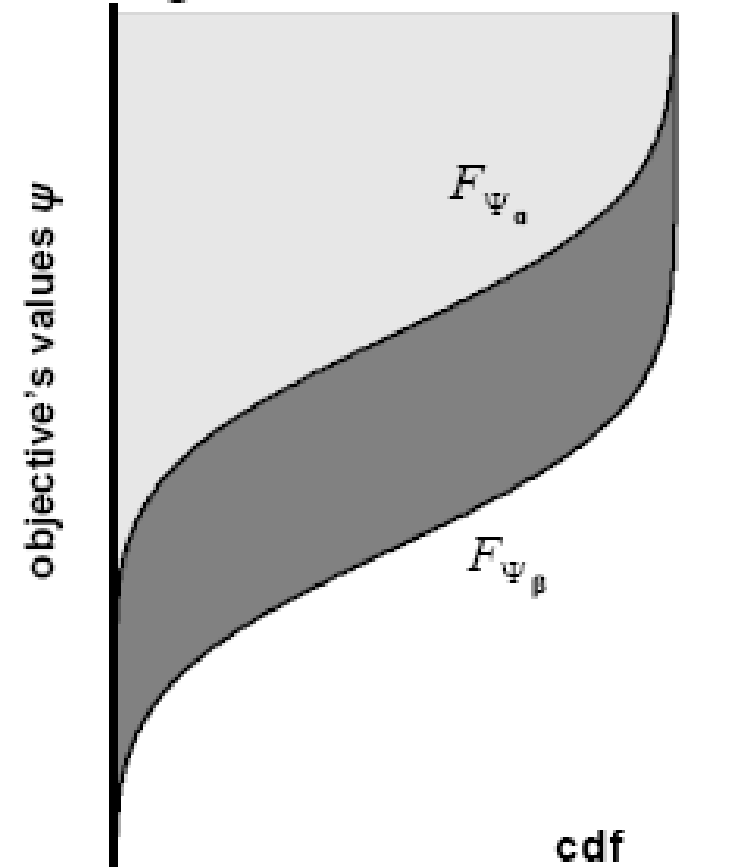
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