



HYPRA: A DEDUCTIVE PROGRAM VERIFIER FOR HYPER HOARE LOGIC

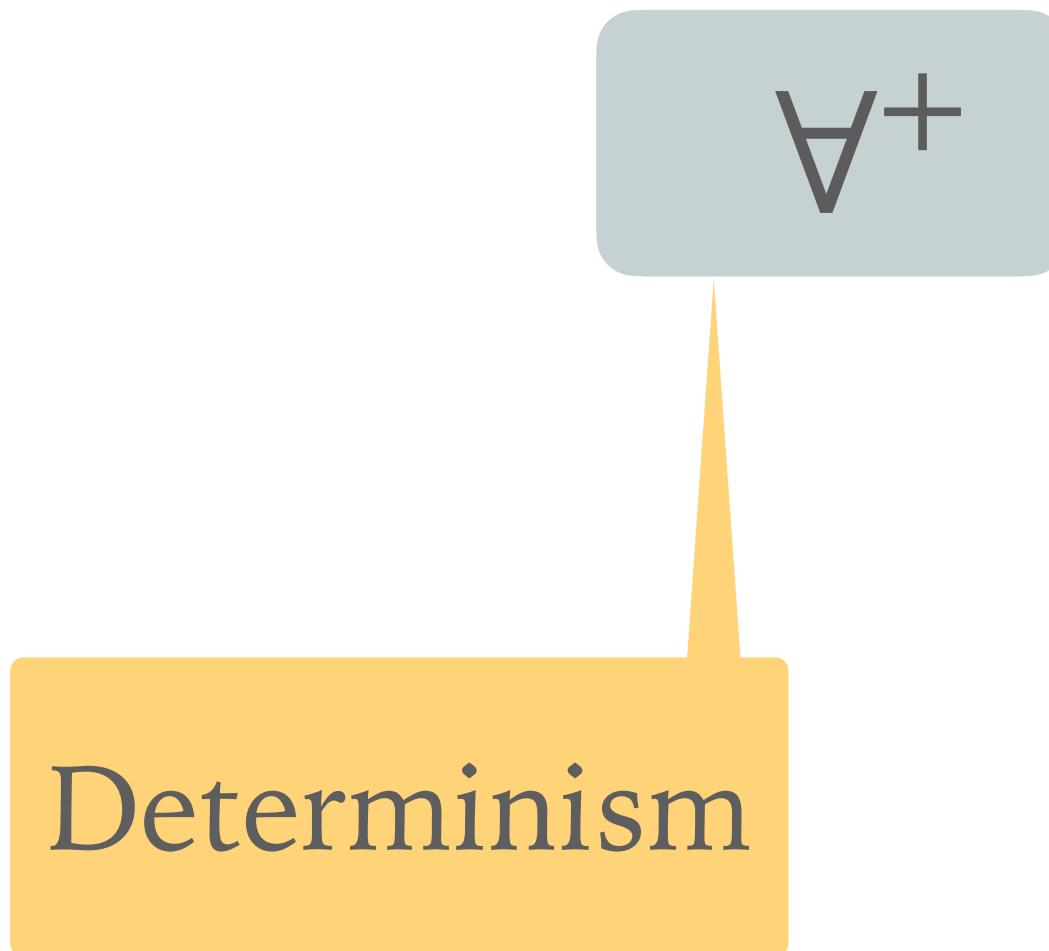
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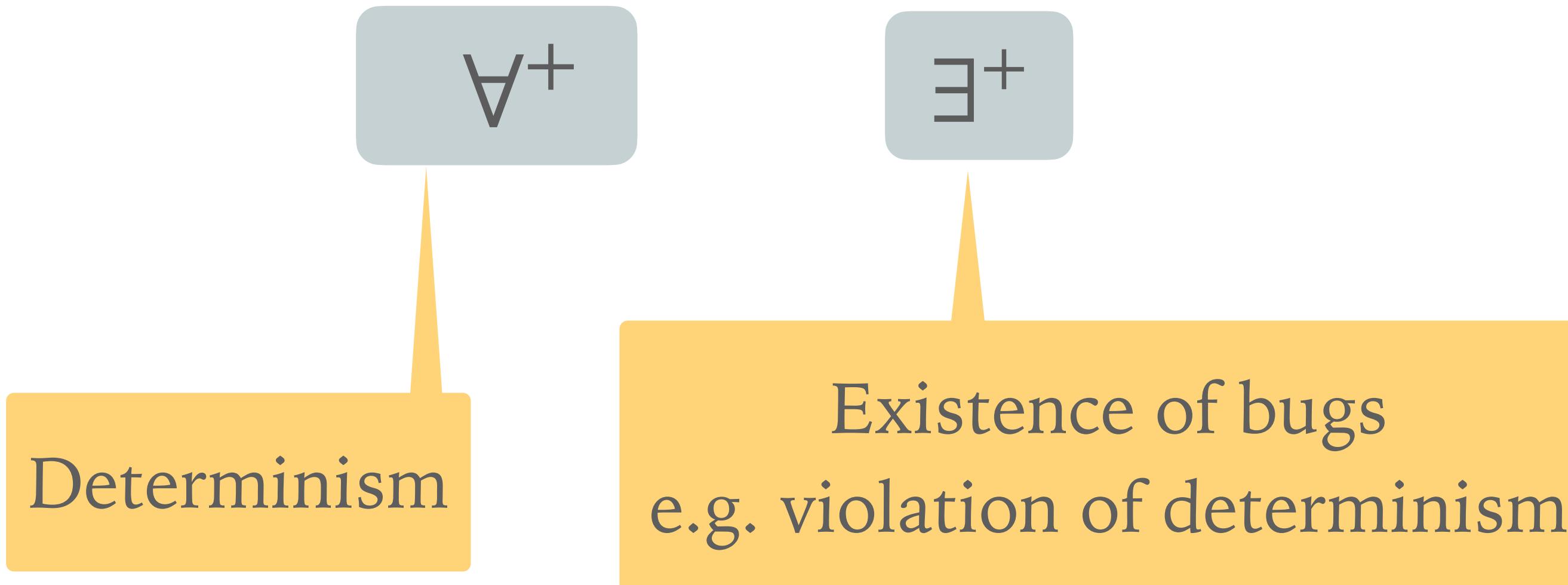
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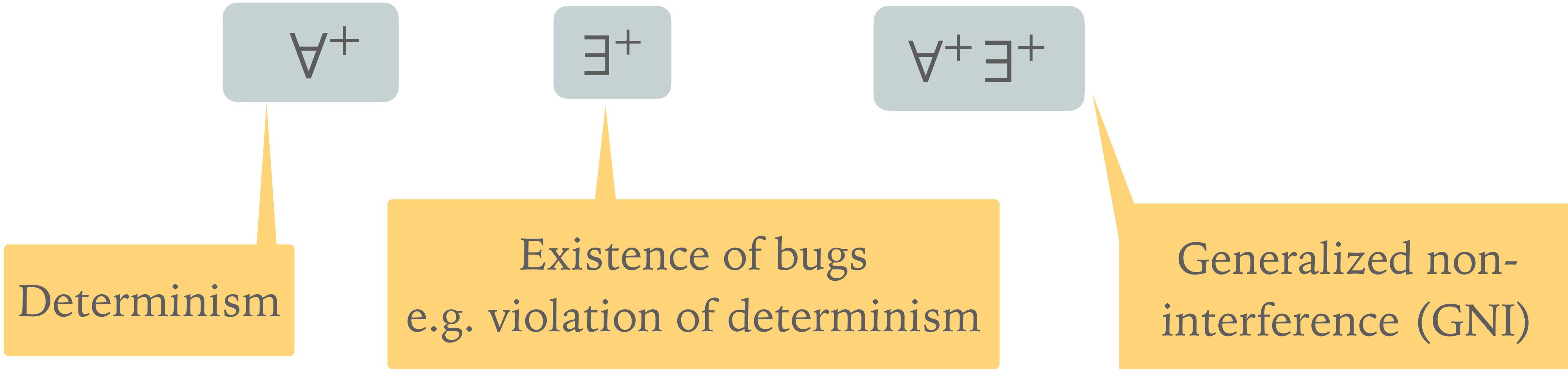
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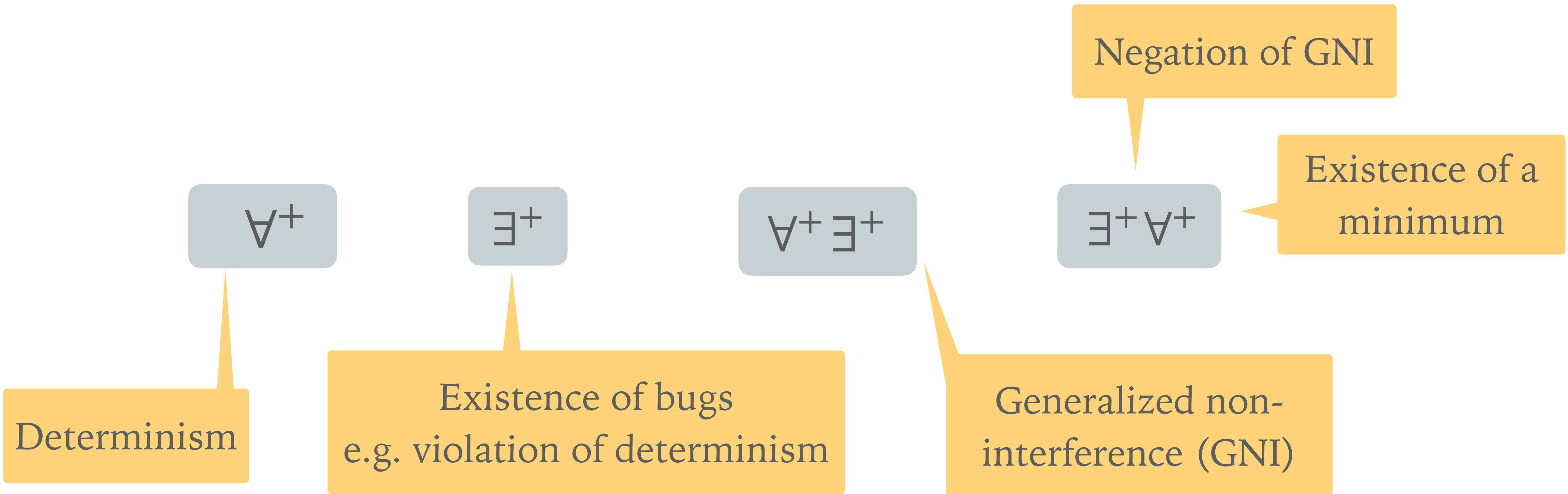
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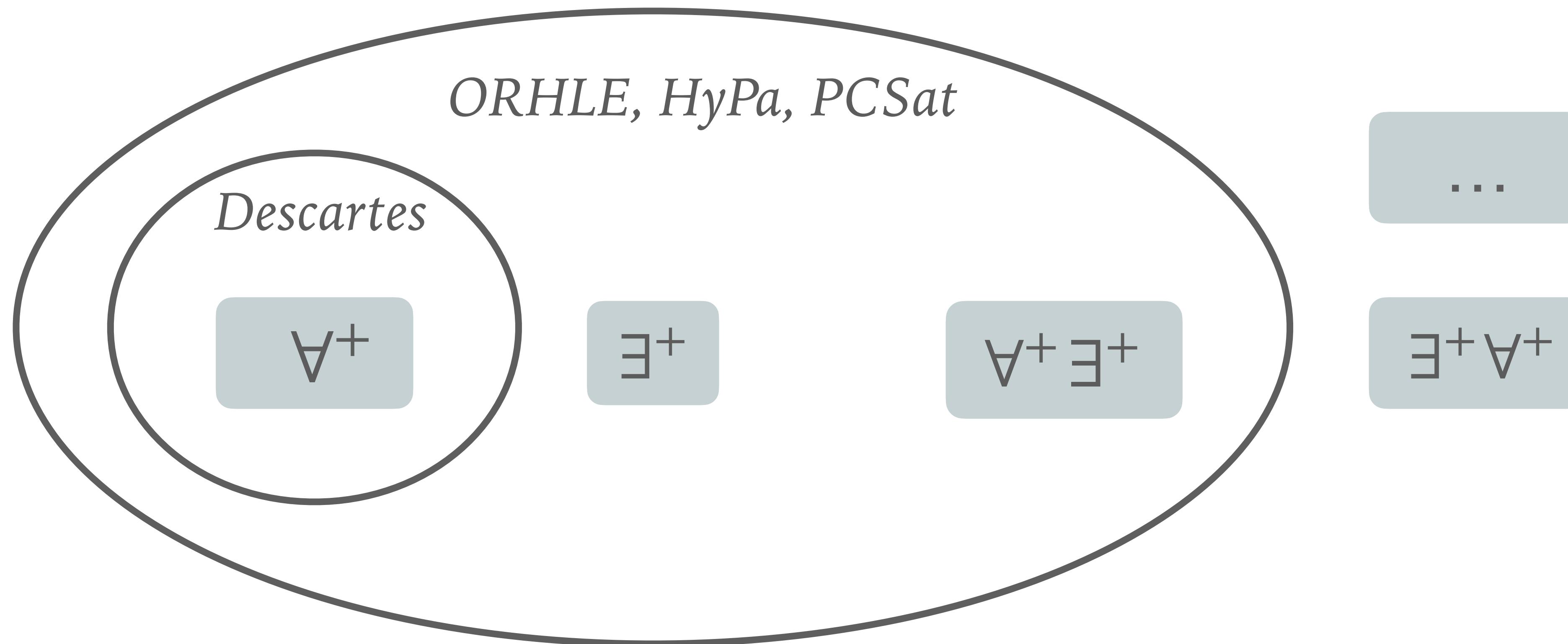
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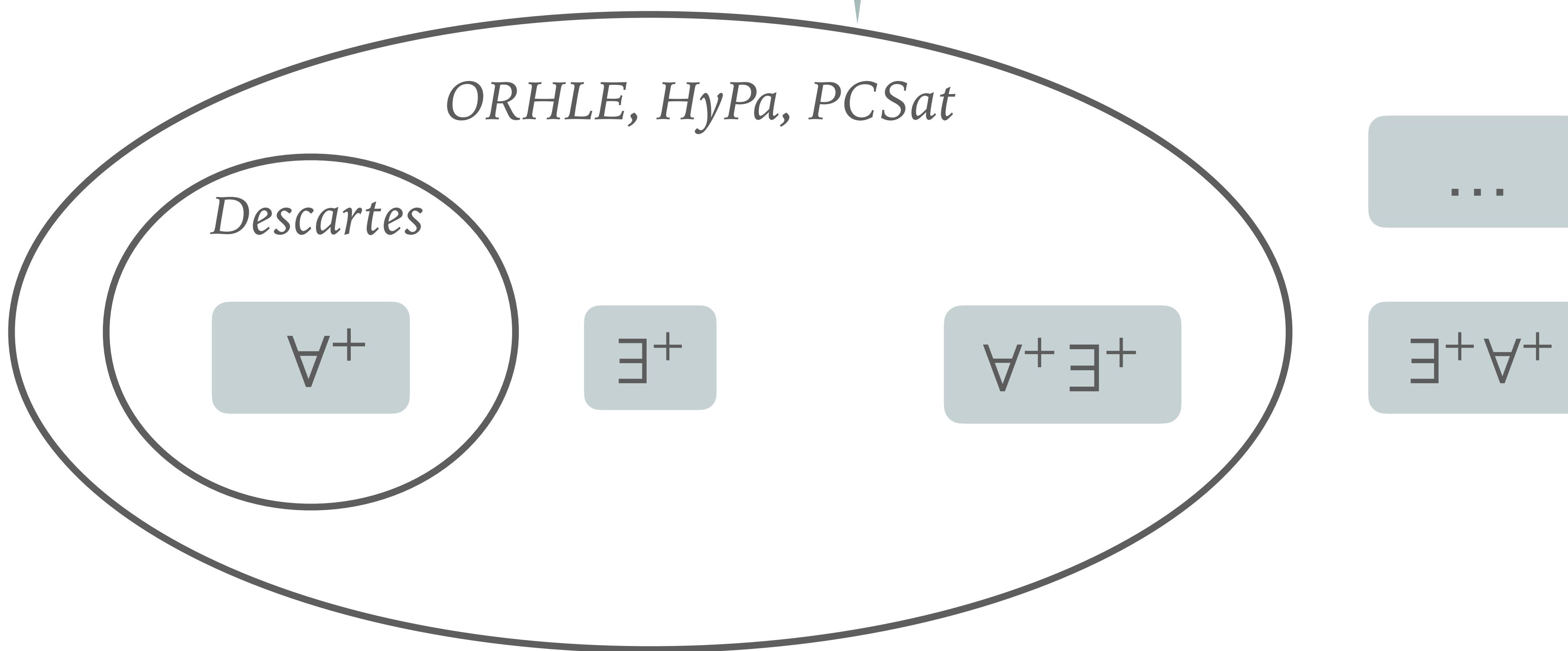
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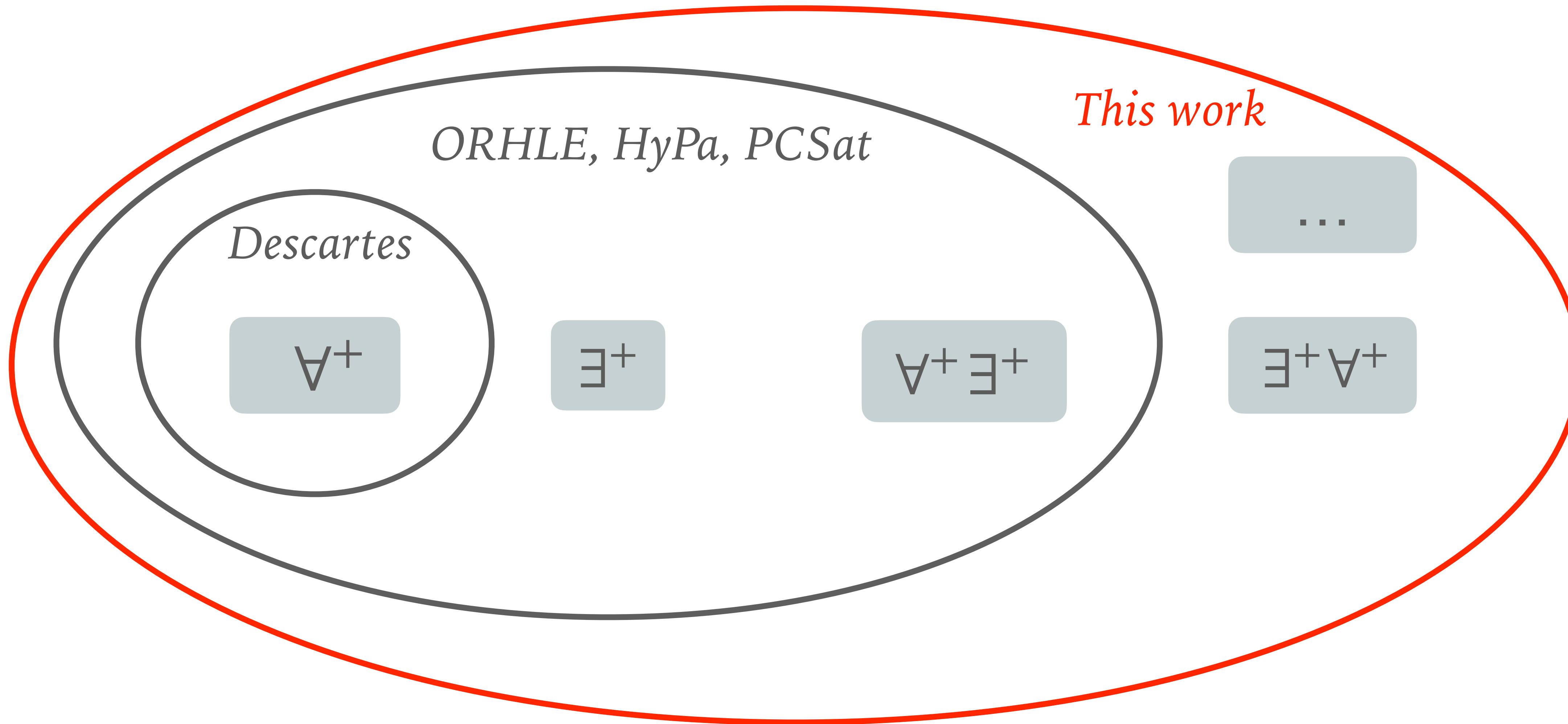
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Goal: build a deductive program verifier that can automatically verify arbitrary hyperproperties

Descartes

A+

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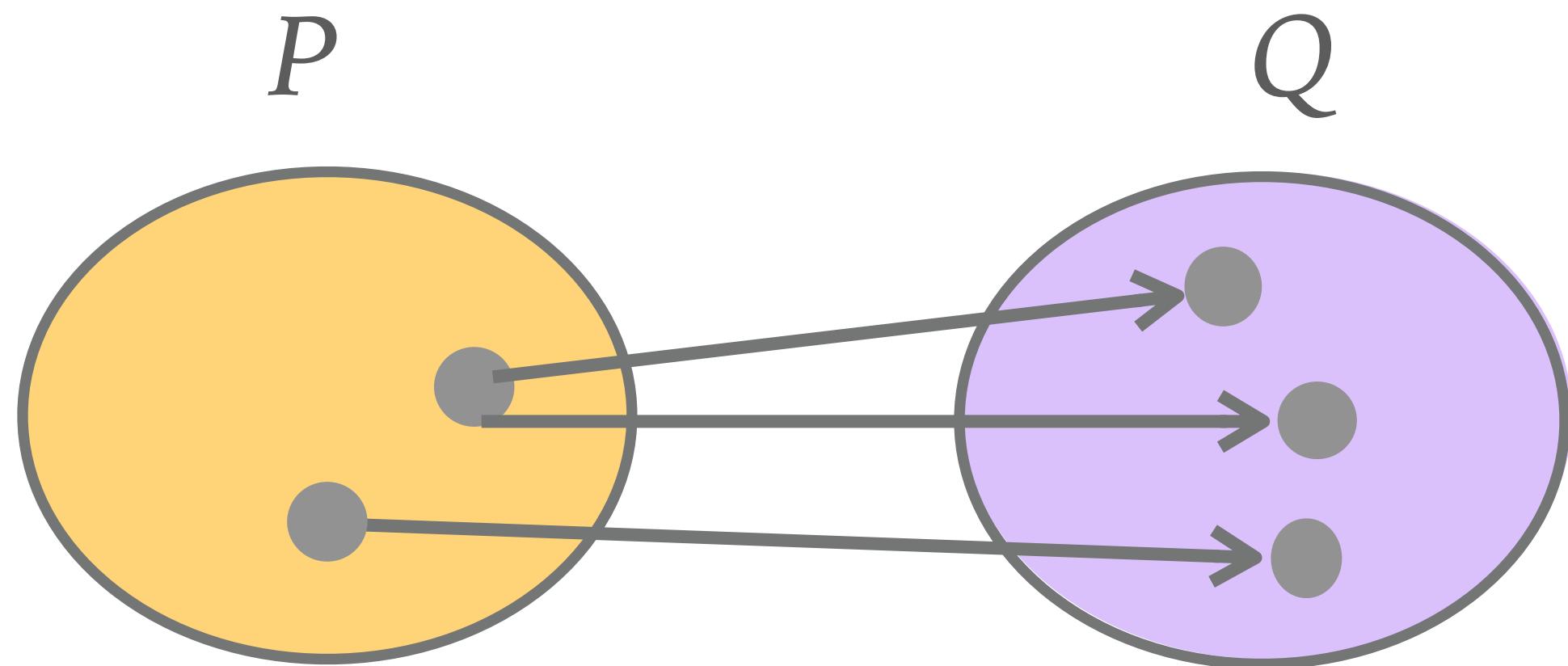
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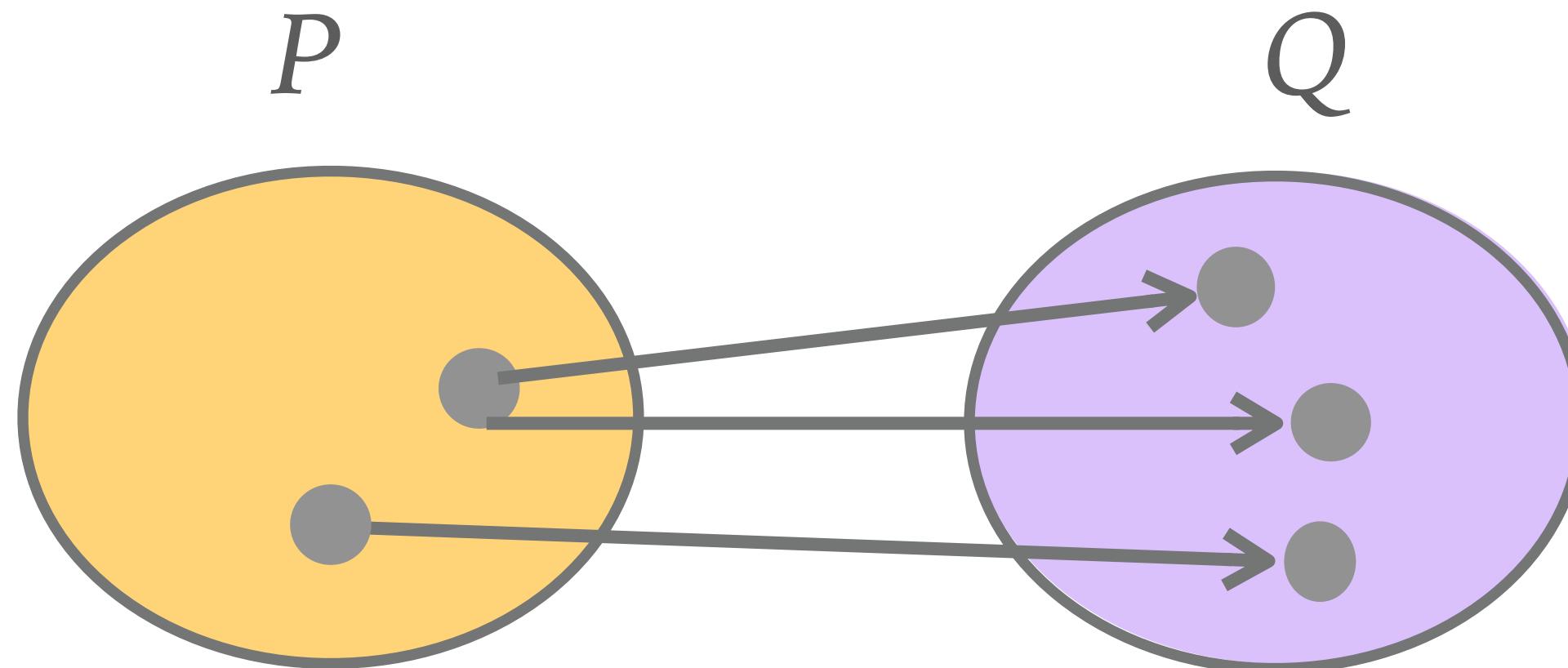


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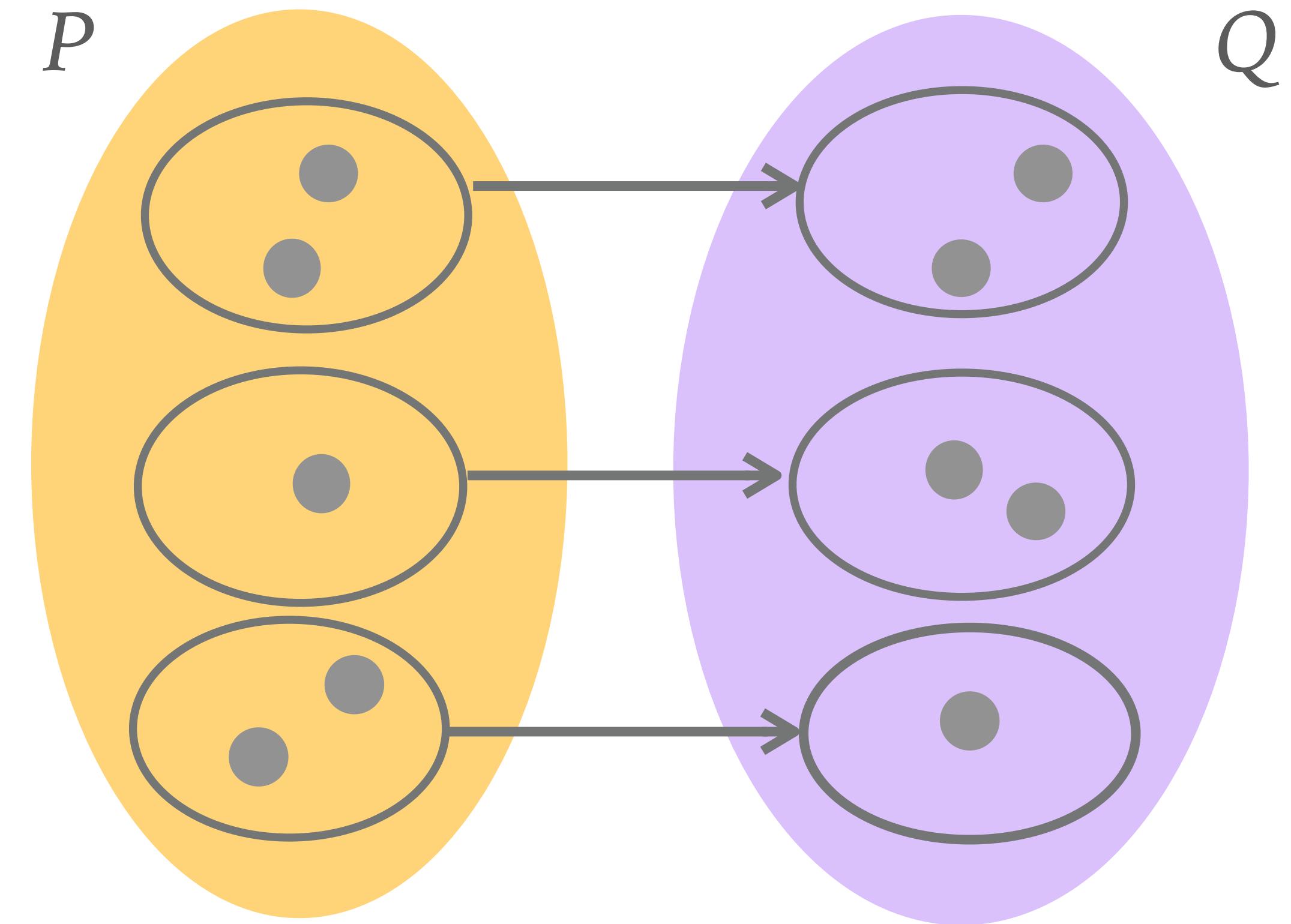
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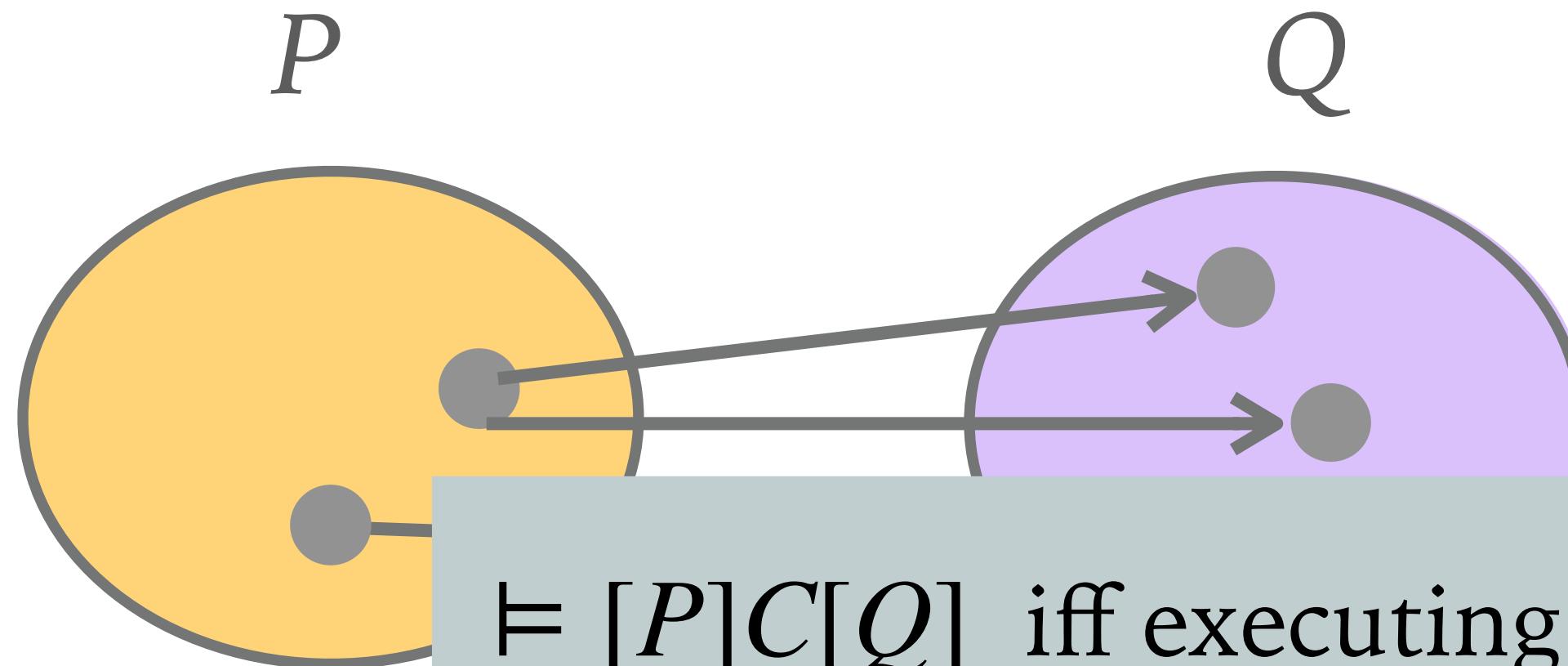
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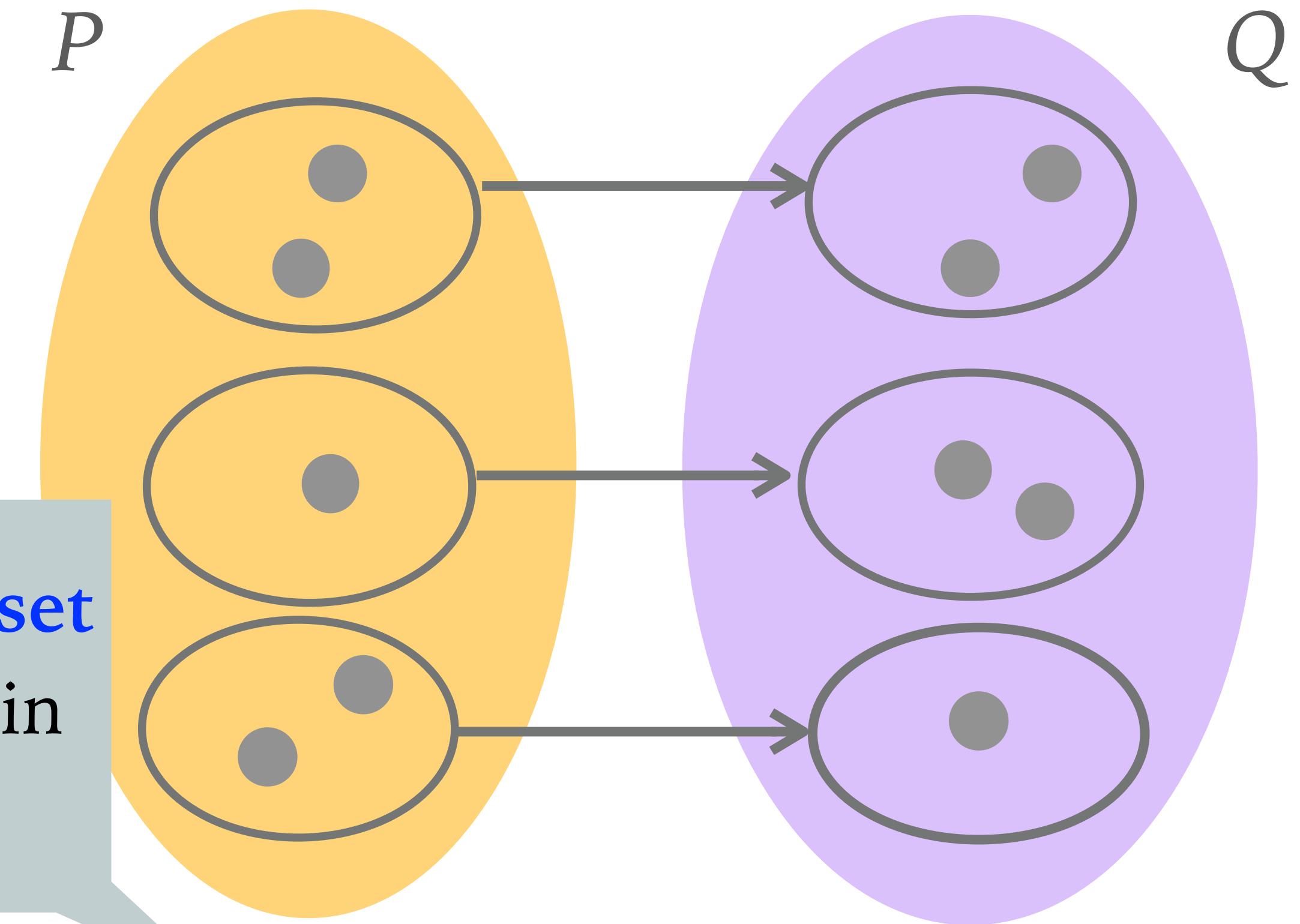
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$\models [P]C[Q]$ iff executing C in any **set** of initial states satisfying P results in a **set** of final states satisfying Q

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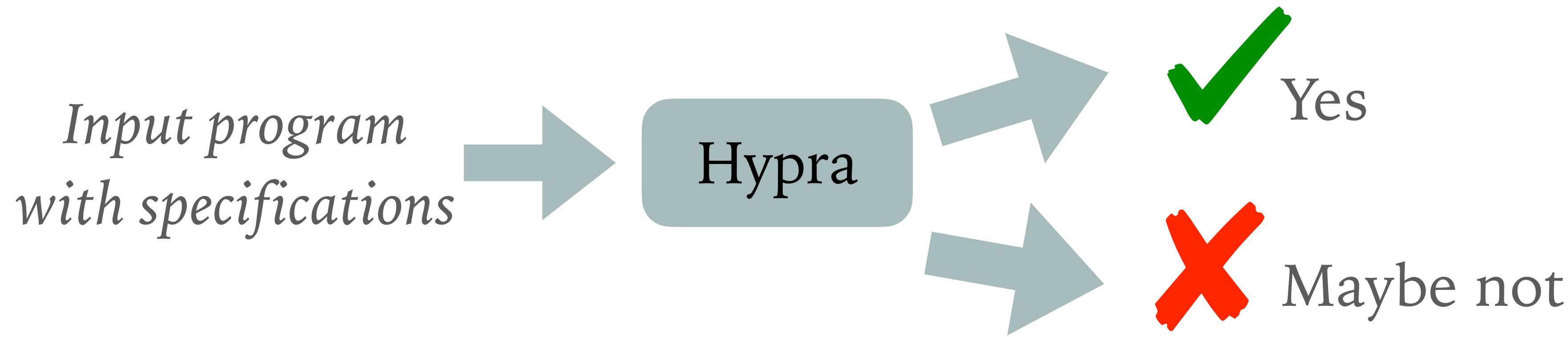
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- Challenges
 1. Design an encoding that tracks an unbounded number of executions
 2. Make the encoding work with SMT solvers **in practice**

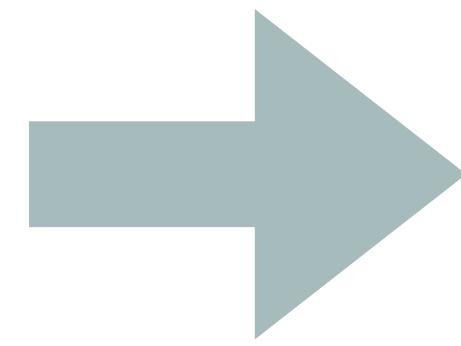
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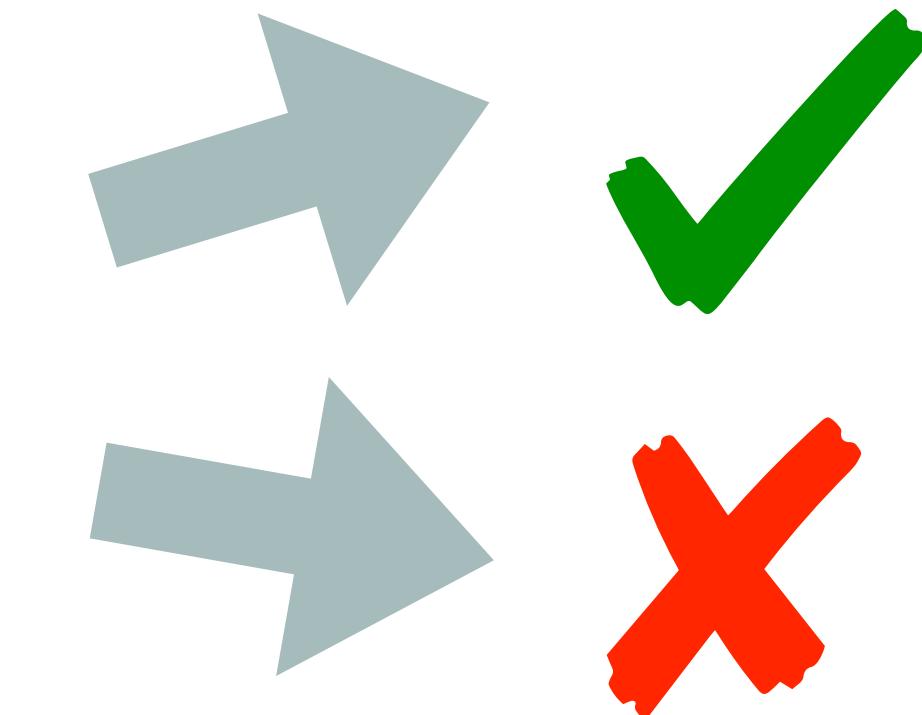
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var S: Set[State]
assume S ⊨ P
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// Constrain S' based on S and C
...
assert S' ⊨ Q
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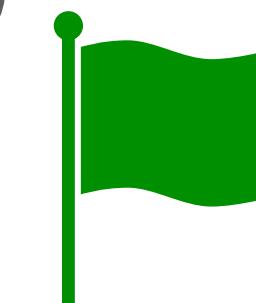
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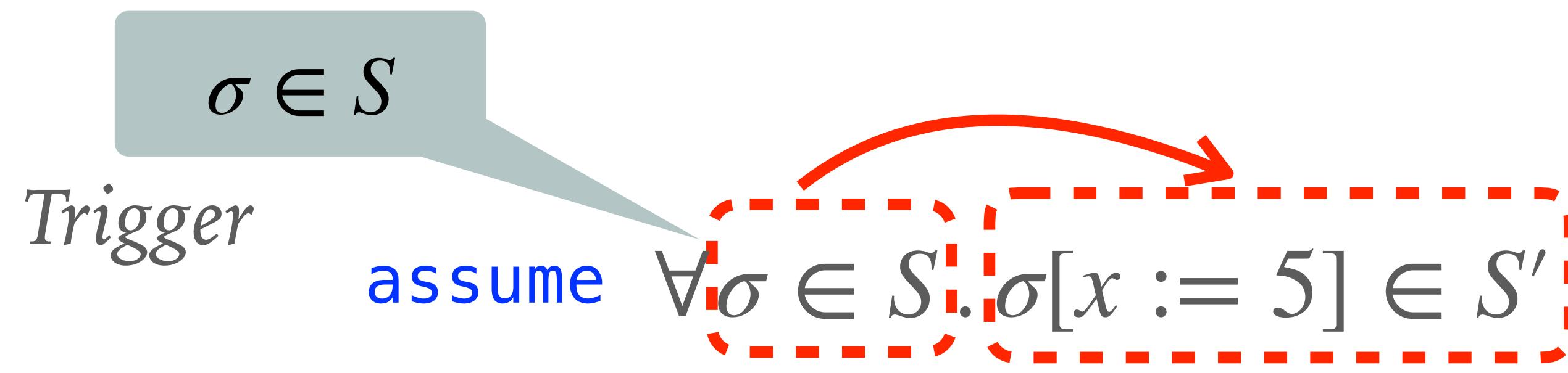
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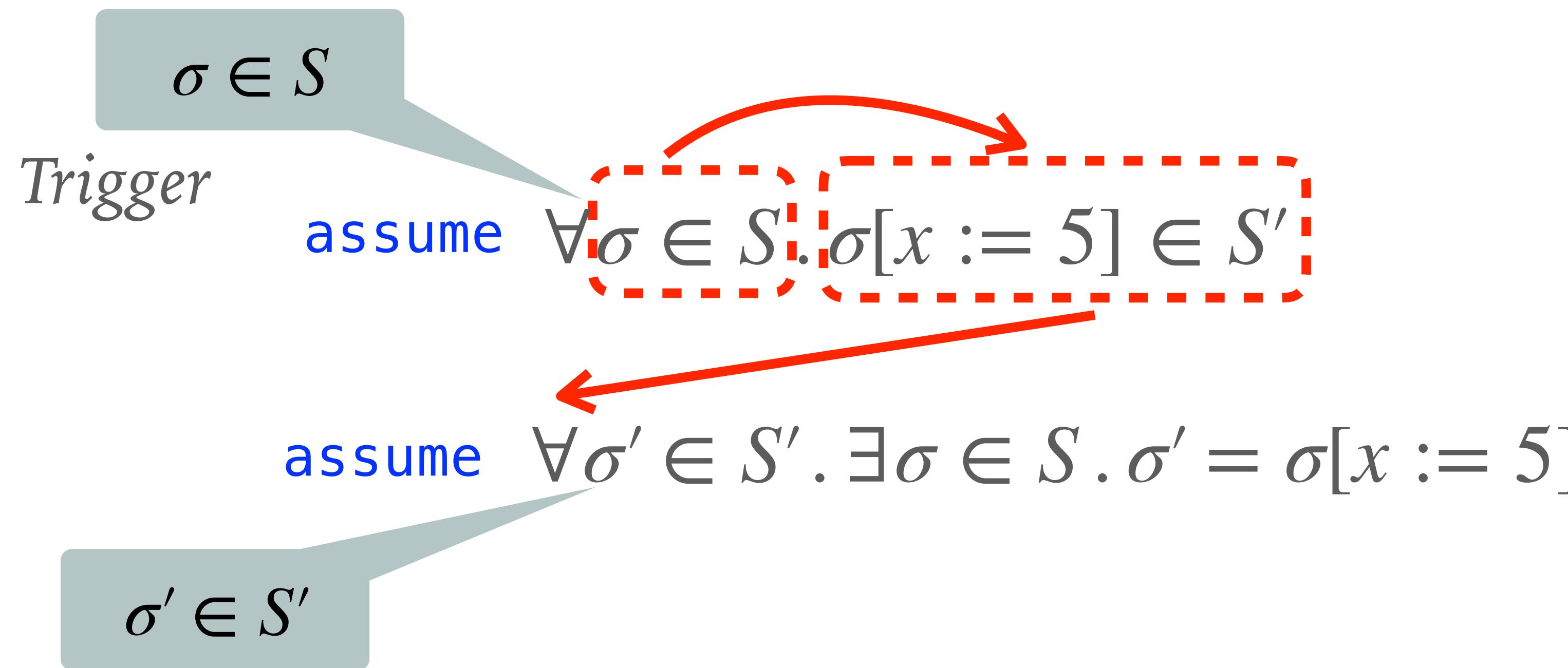


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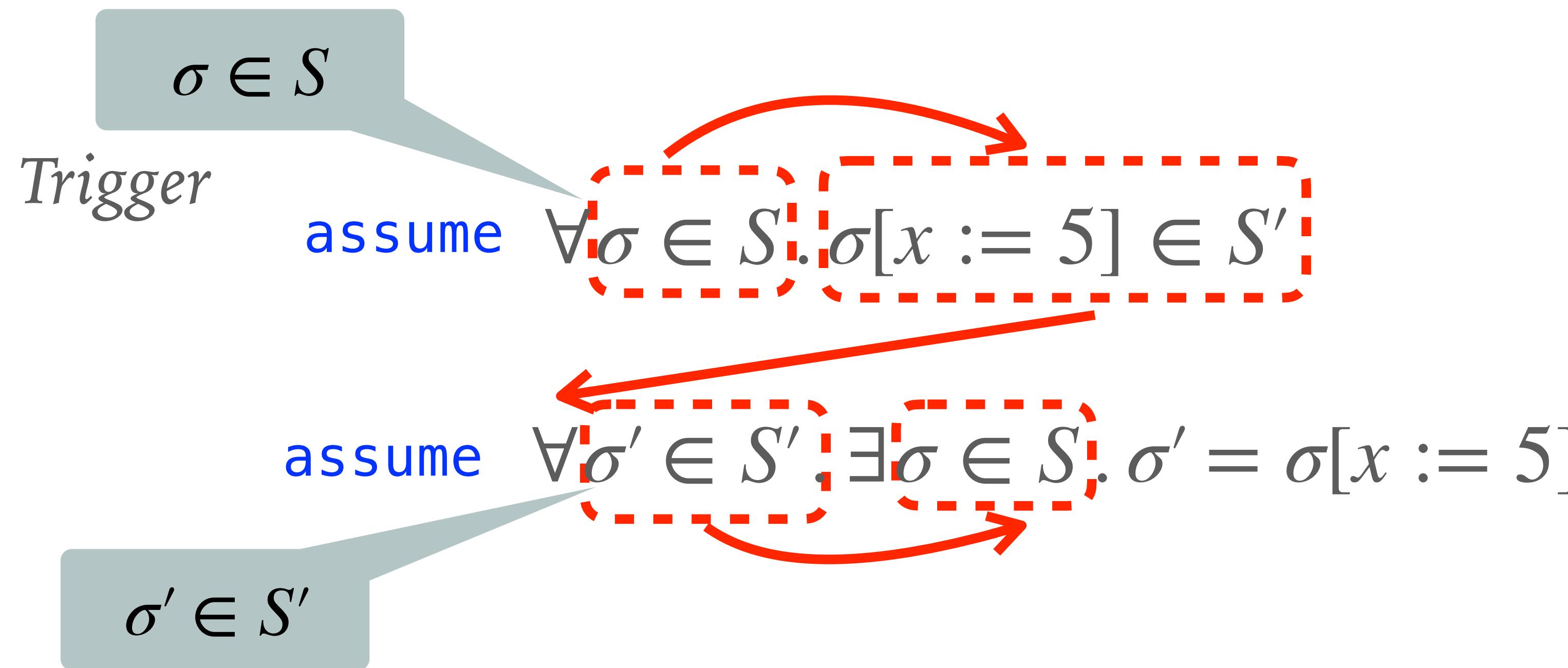
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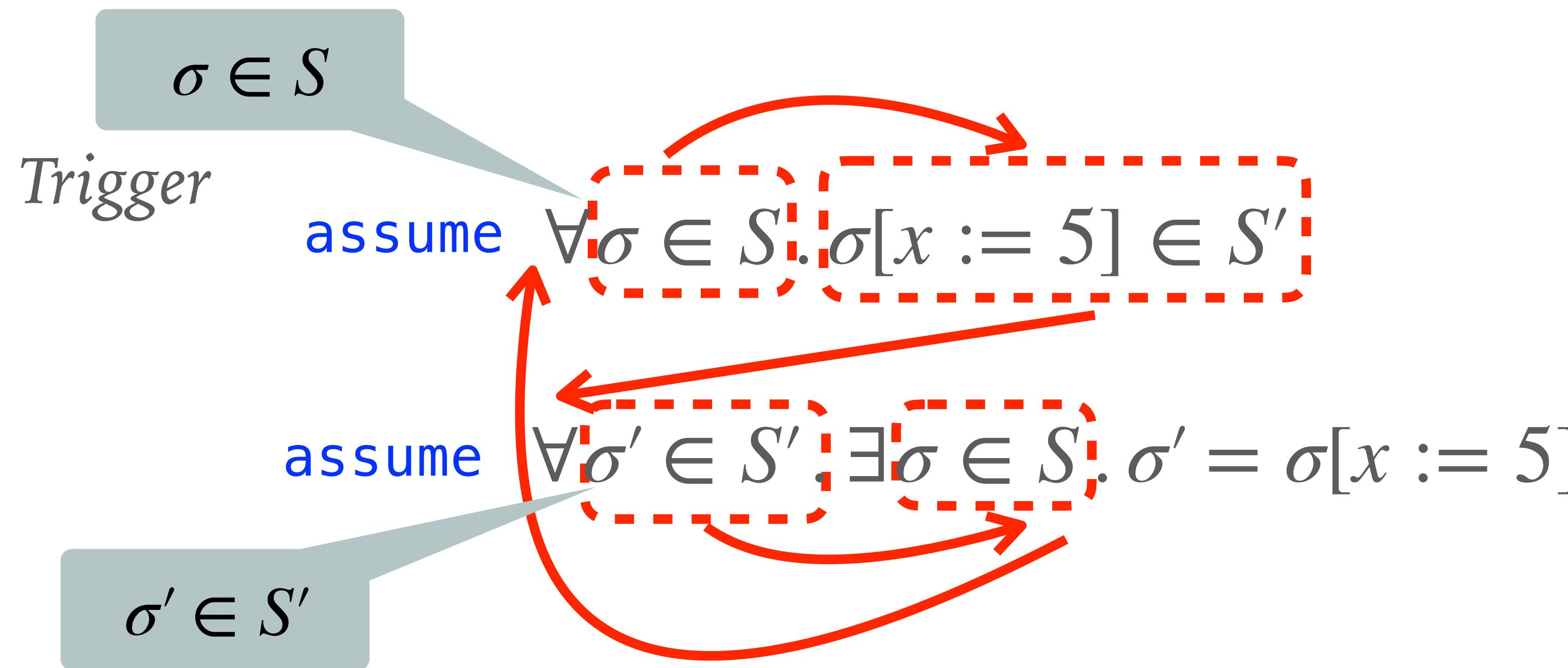
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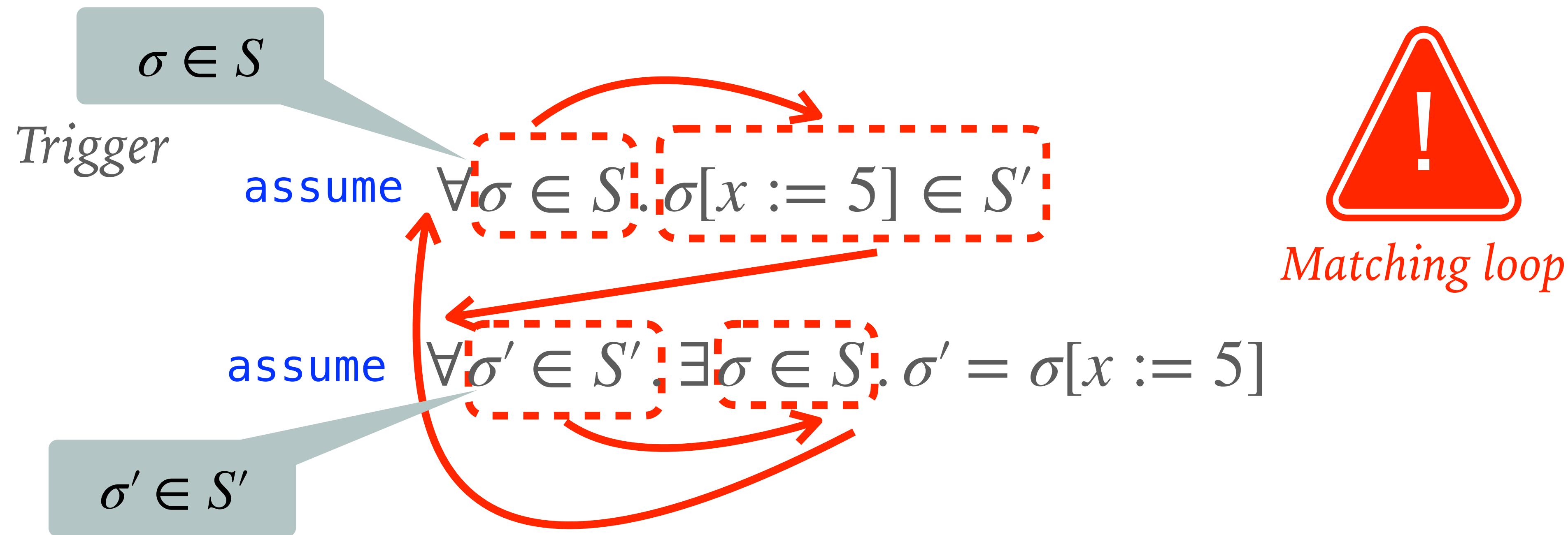
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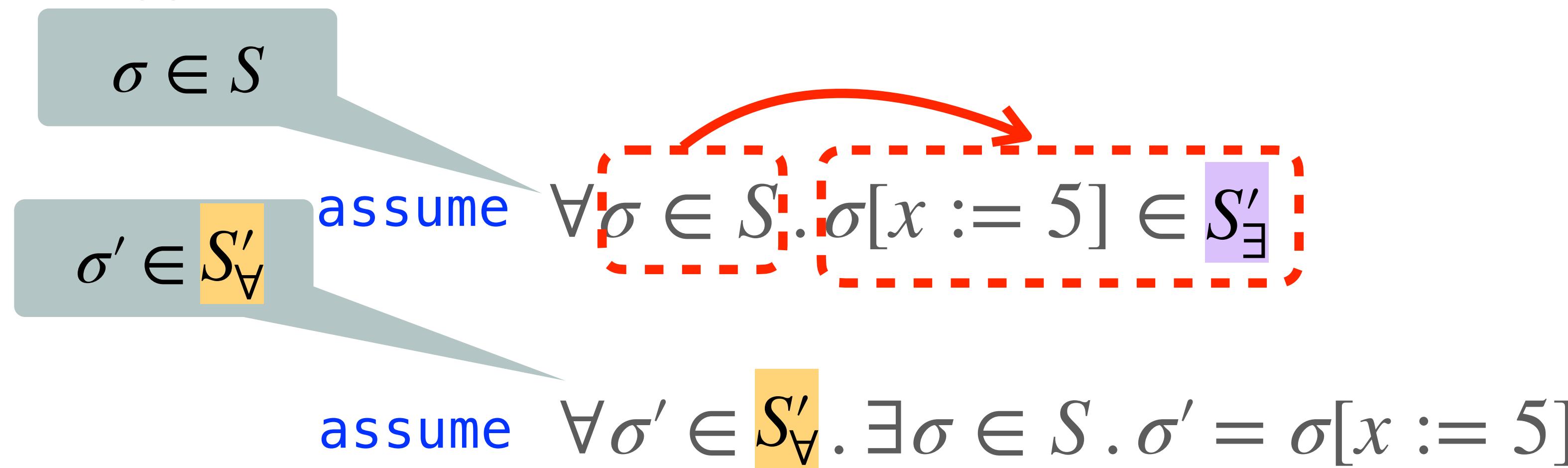
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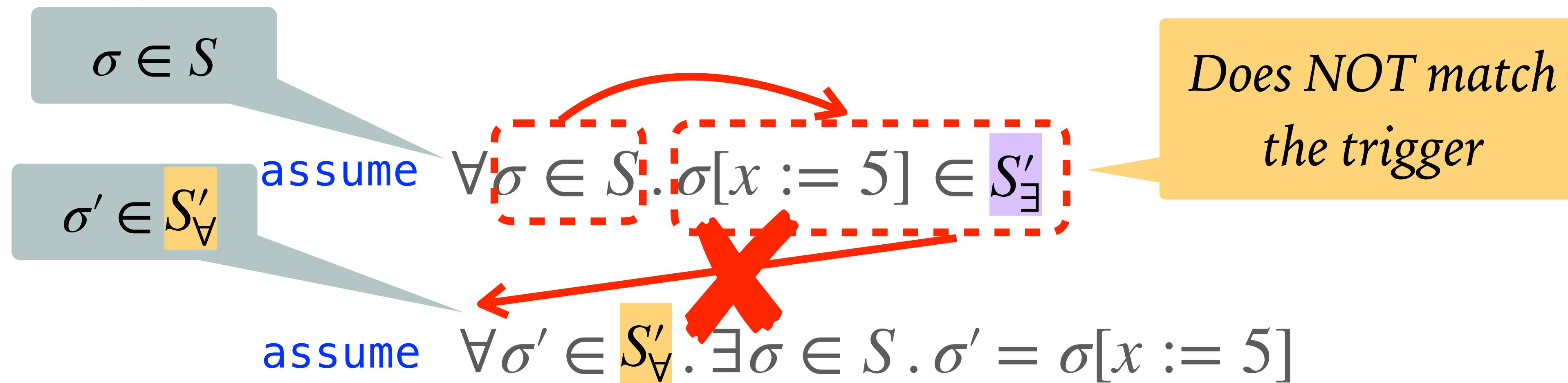
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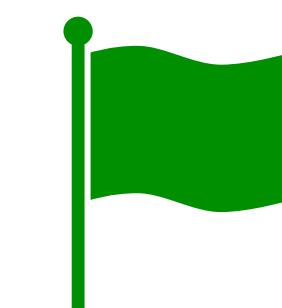
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