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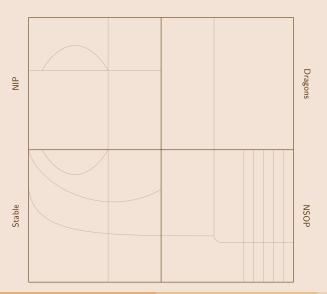
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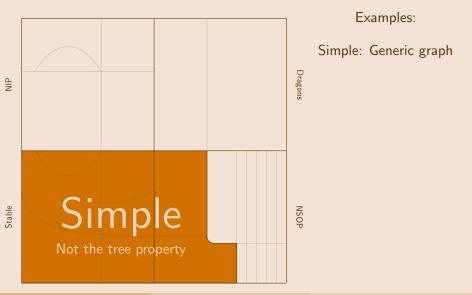
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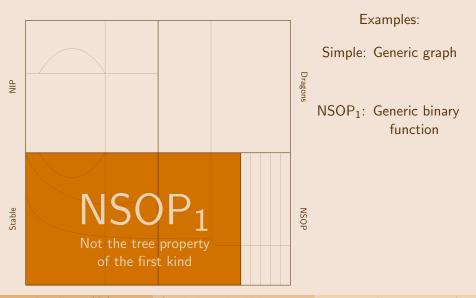


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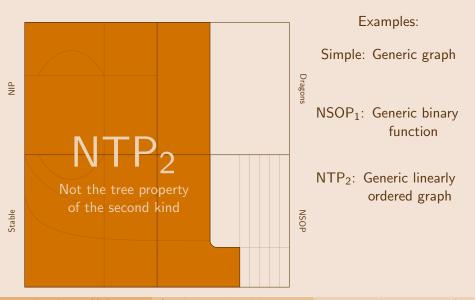
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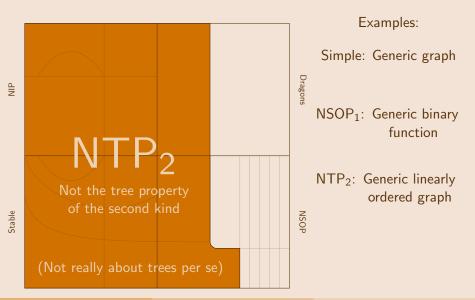


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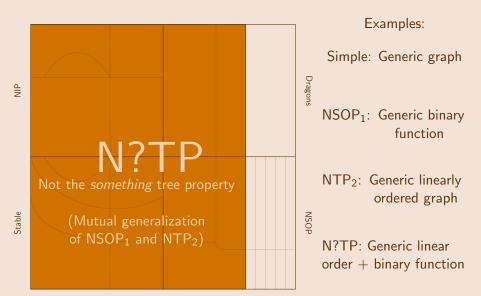


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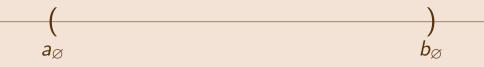
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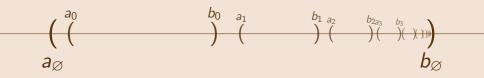
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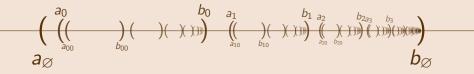
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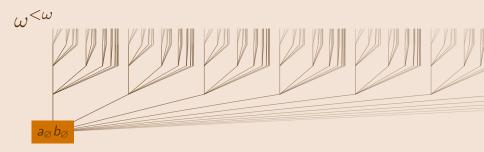
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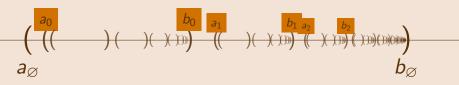
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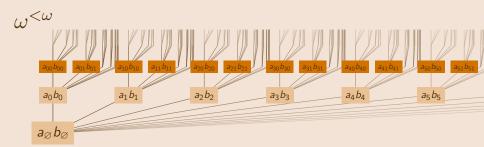




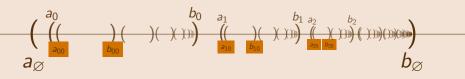


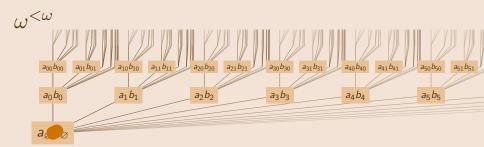
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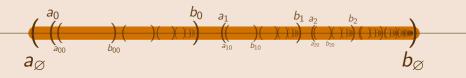


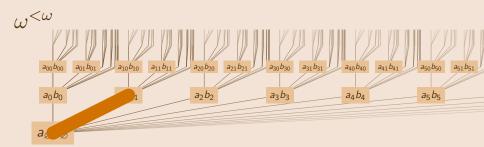
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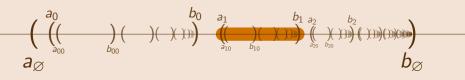


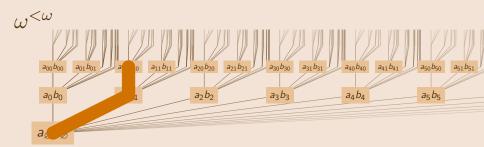
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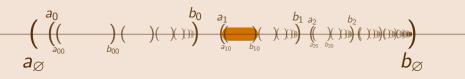


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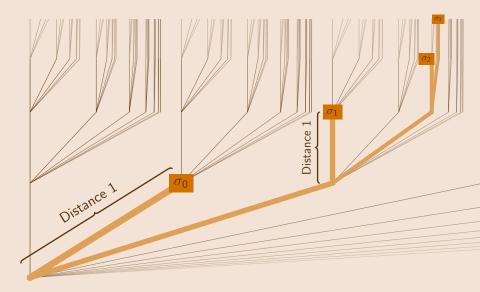
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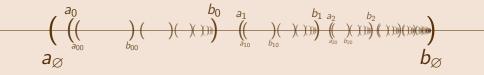
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## A short-toothed right-comb



In our tree in  $(\mathbb{Q}, <)$ , any pair of incomparable elements are inconsistent.



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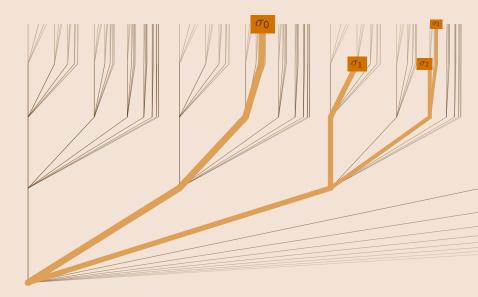
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