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The Grothendieck construction in the context of **Tangent categories**

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Tangent categories and tangent fibrations

chapter 1

“The objects of a tangent category are locally linear spaces.

Tangent fibrations are fibrations of tangent categories.”



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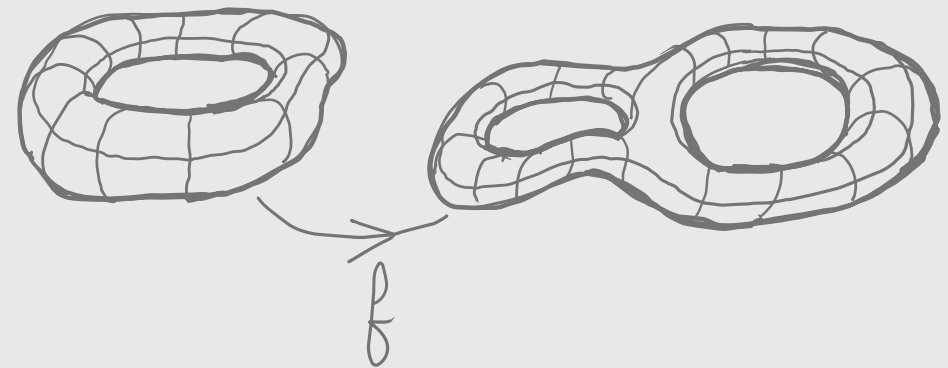
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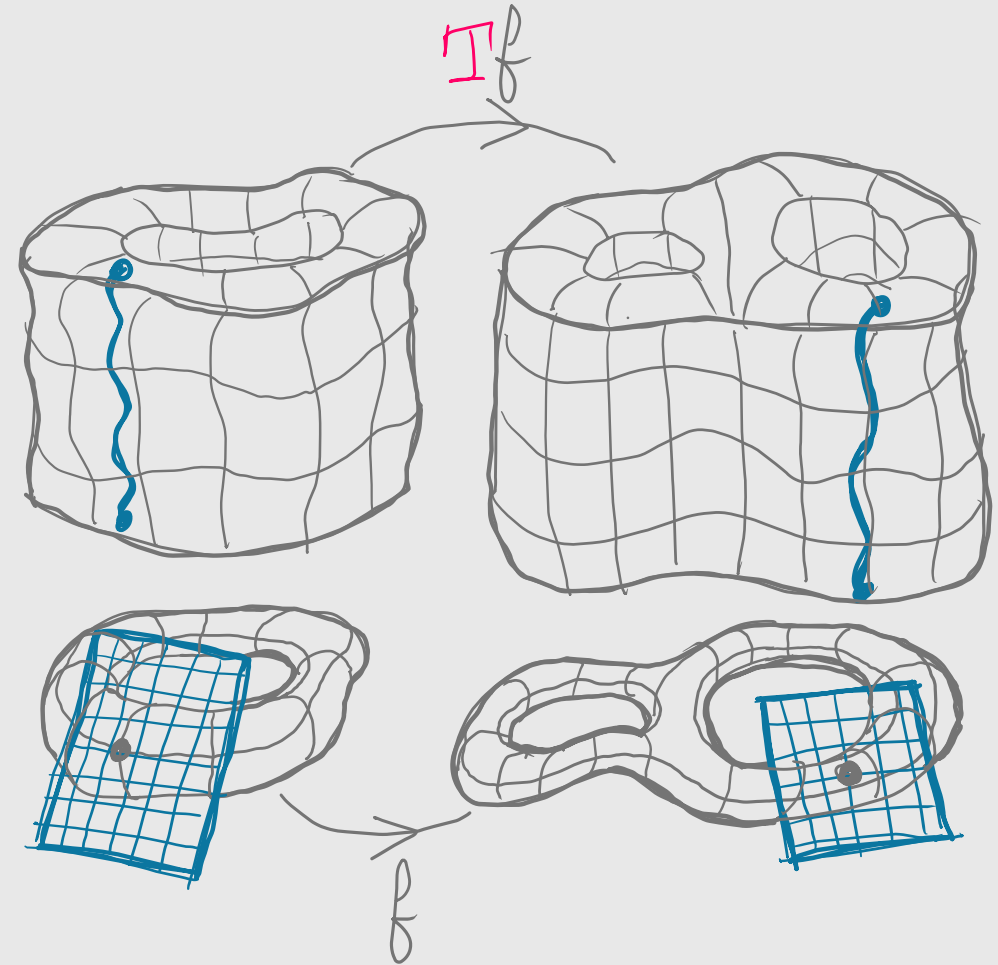
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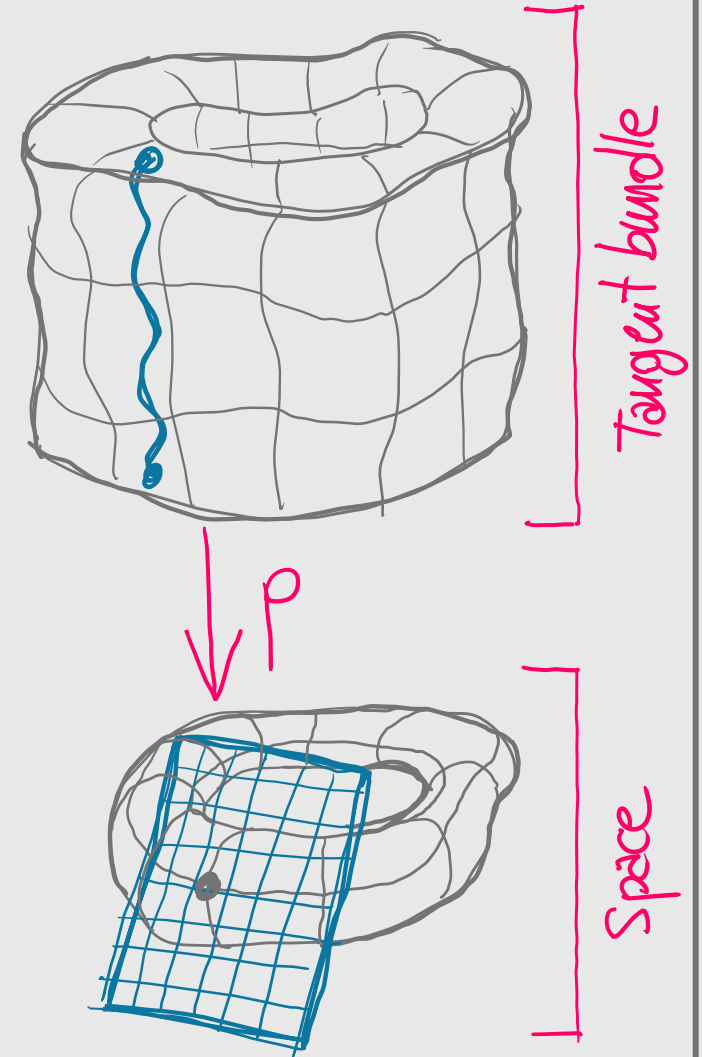
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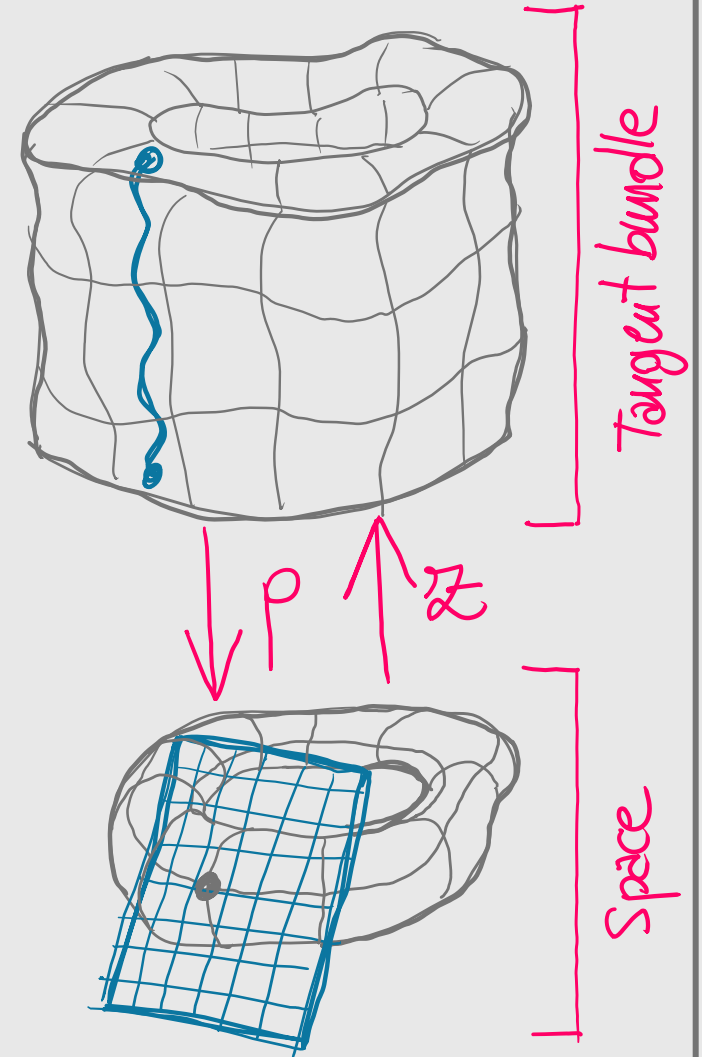
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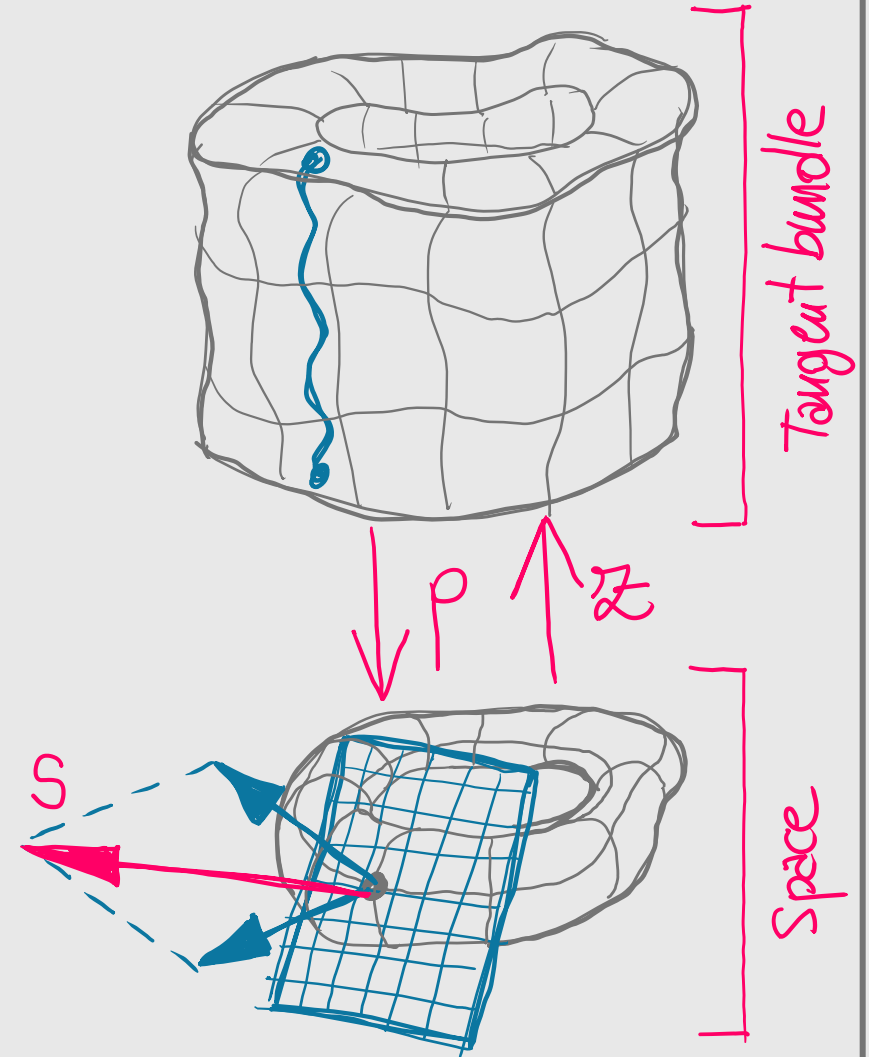
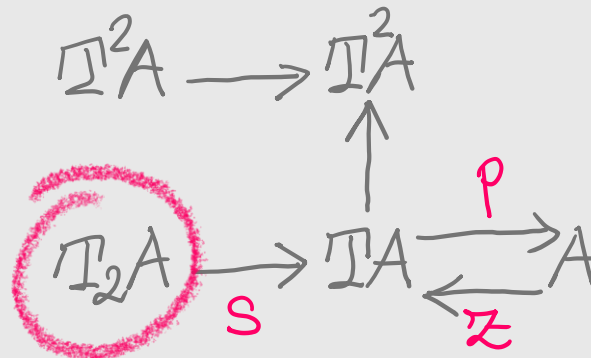
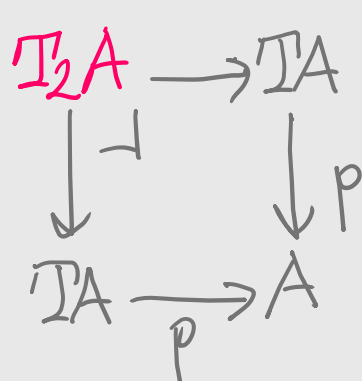
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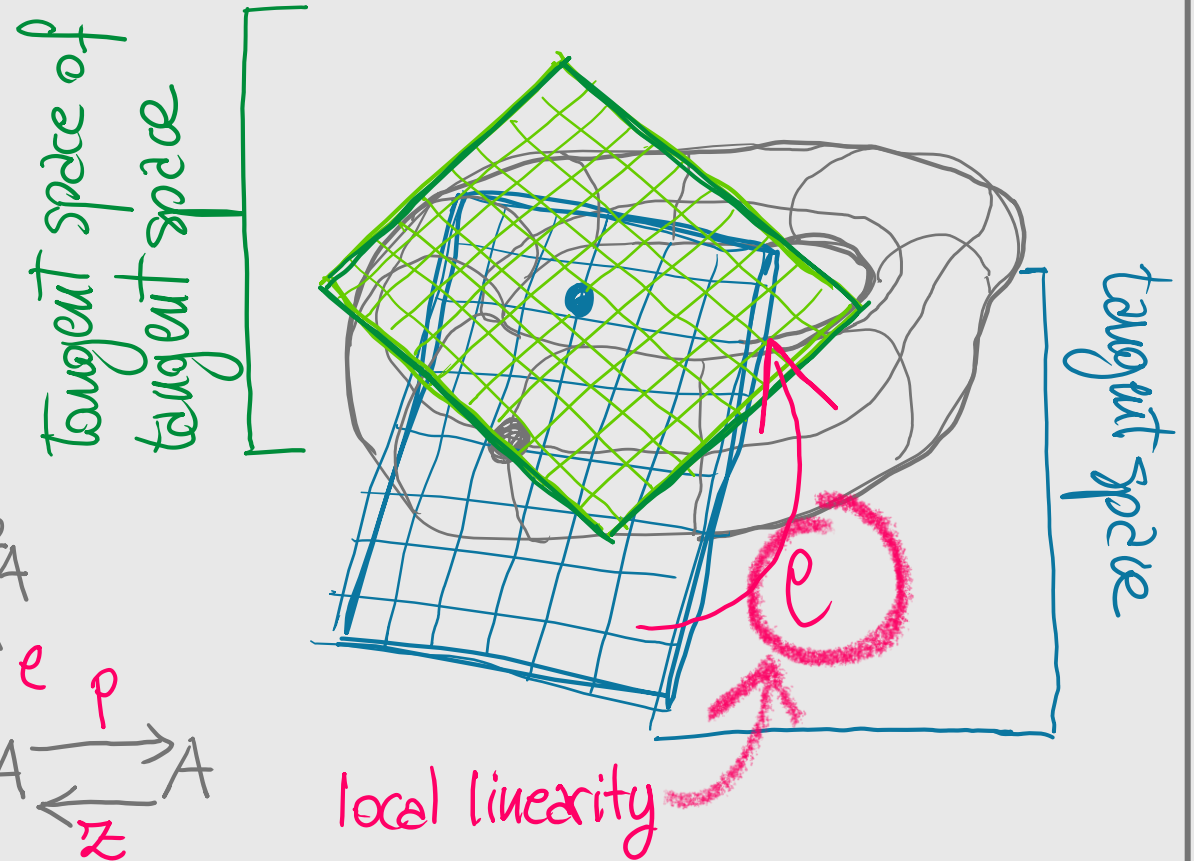
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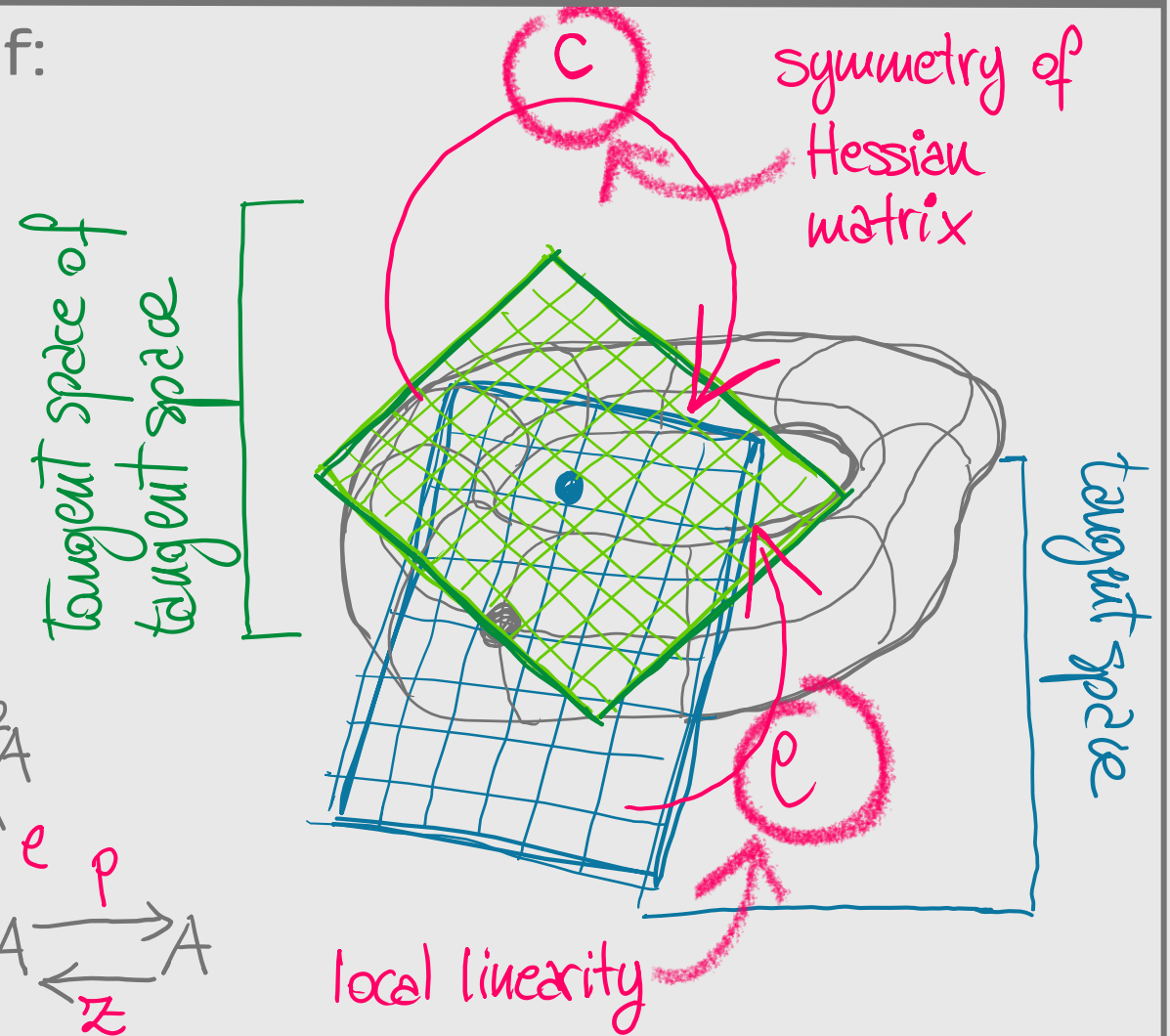
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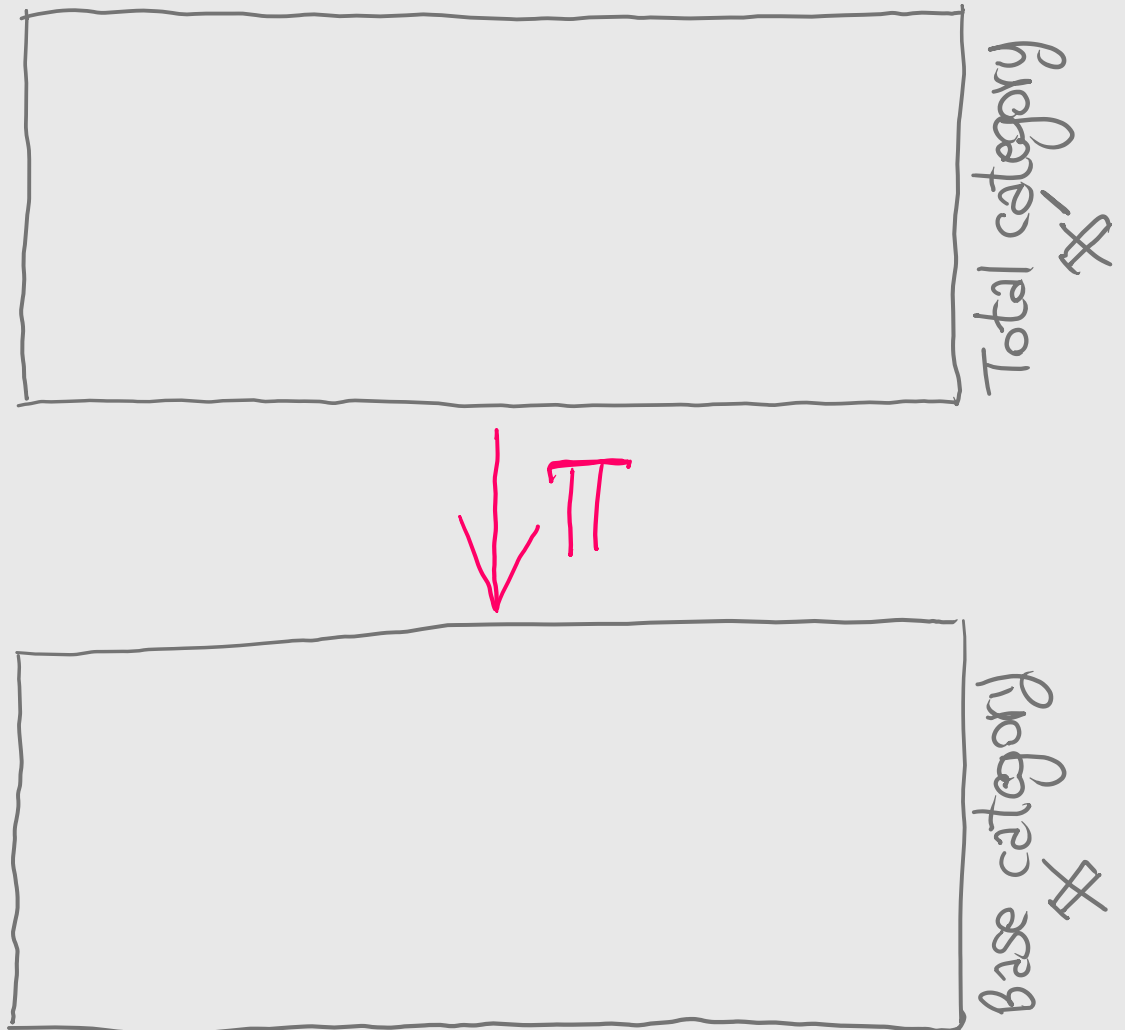
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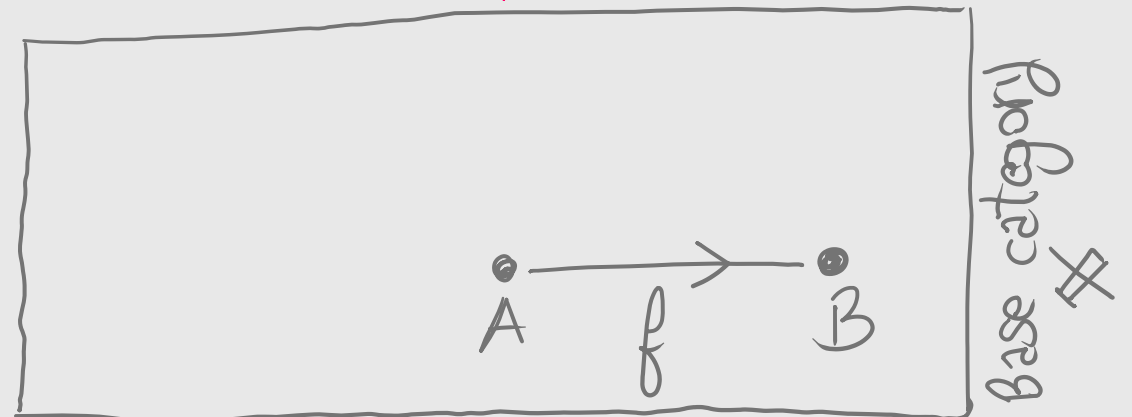
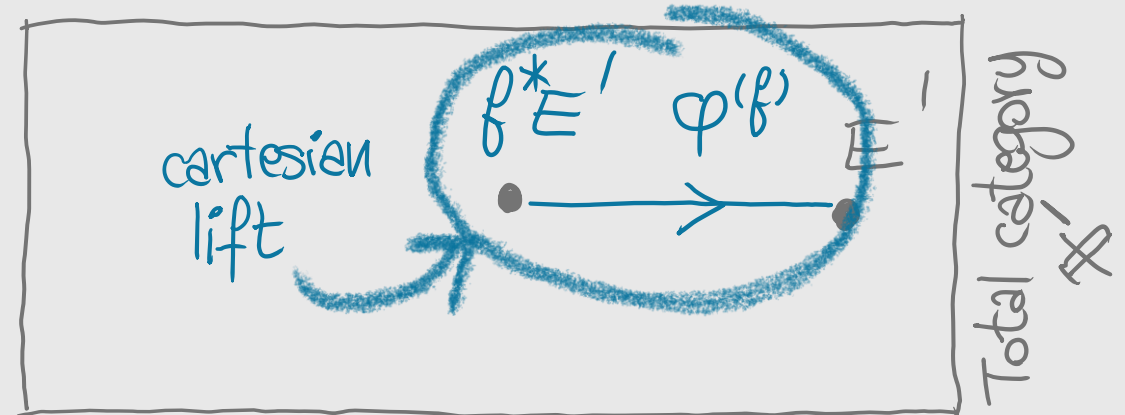
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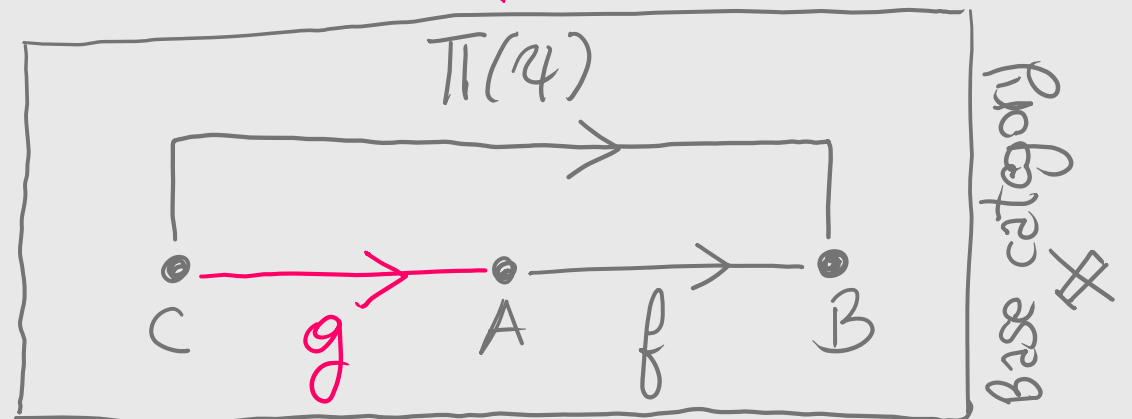
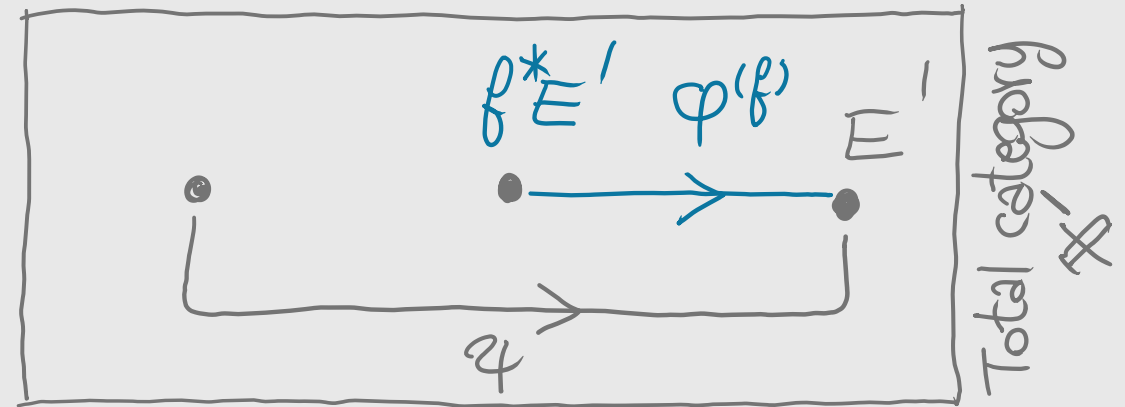
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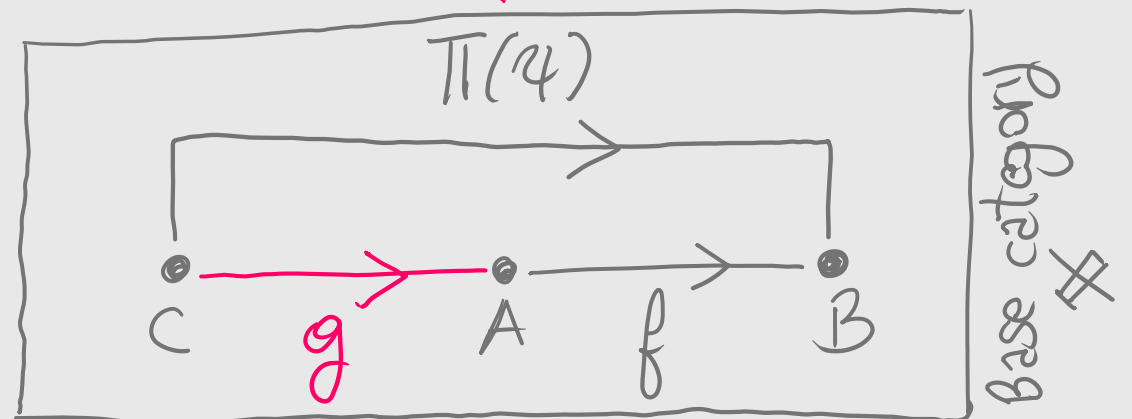
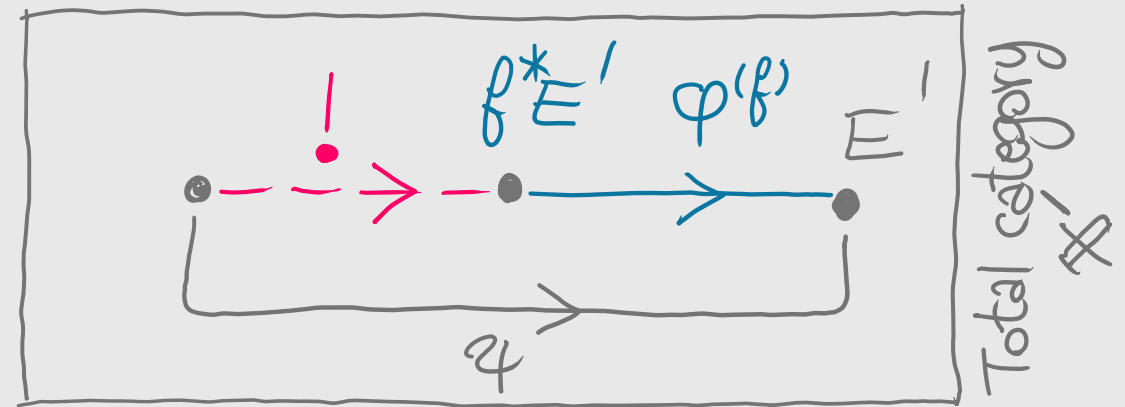
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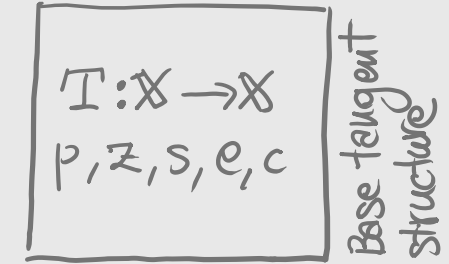
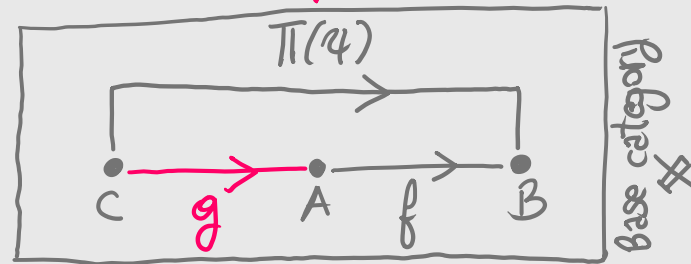
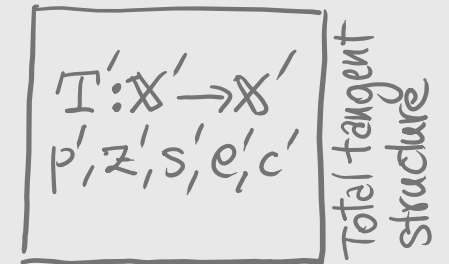
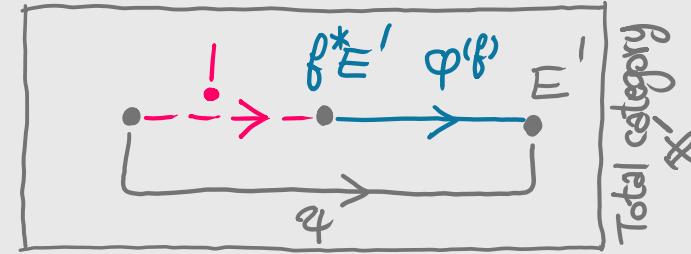
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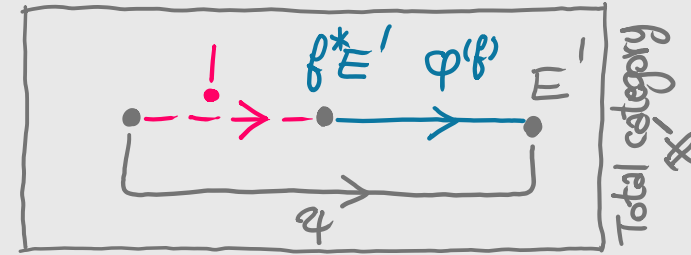
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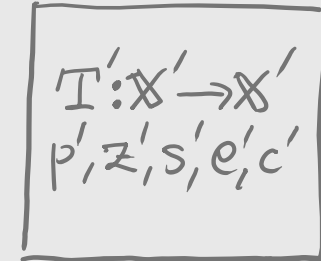
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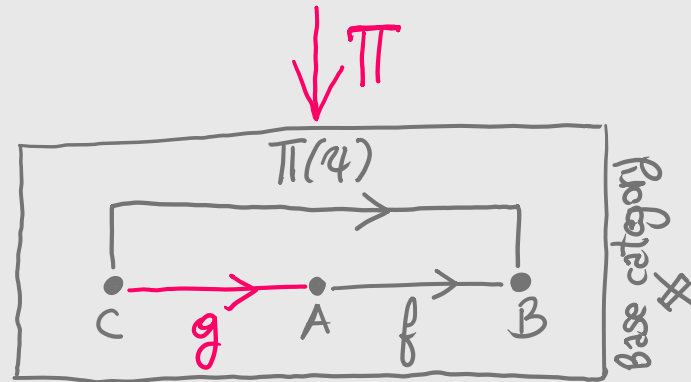
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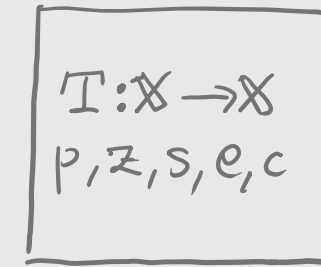
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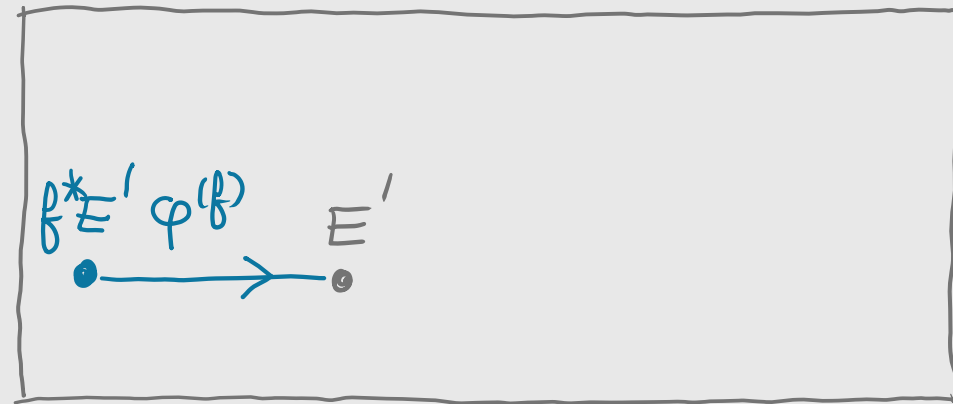
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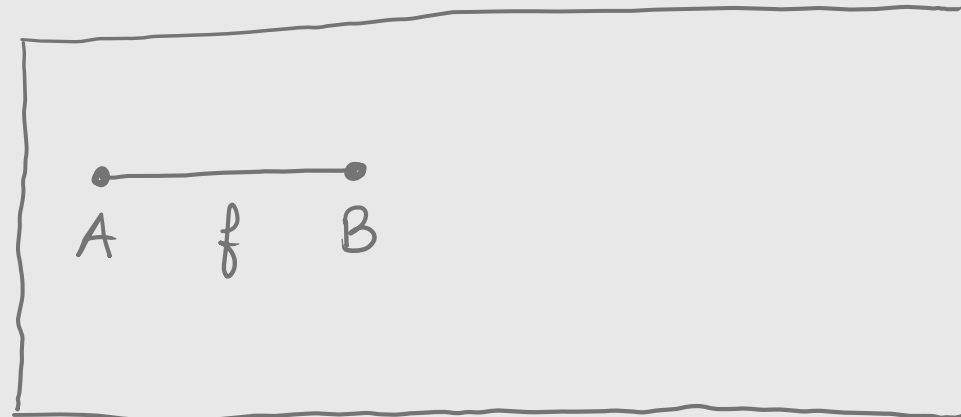
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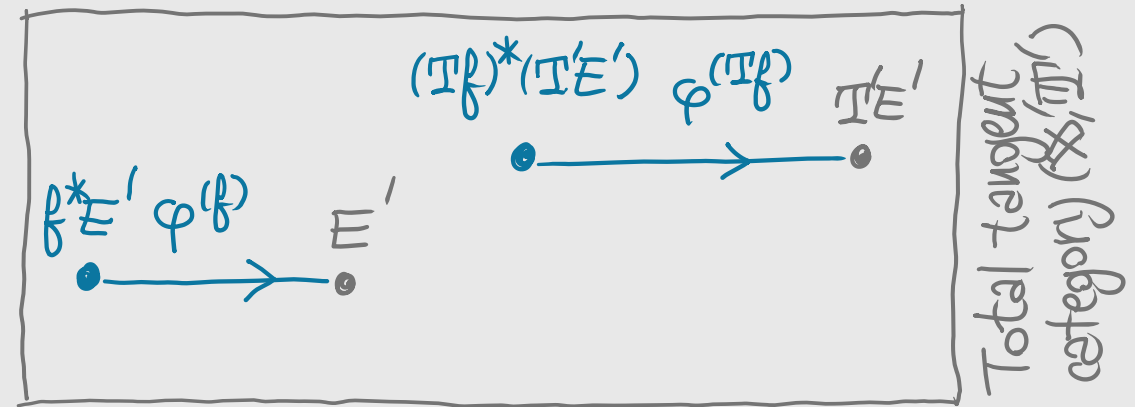
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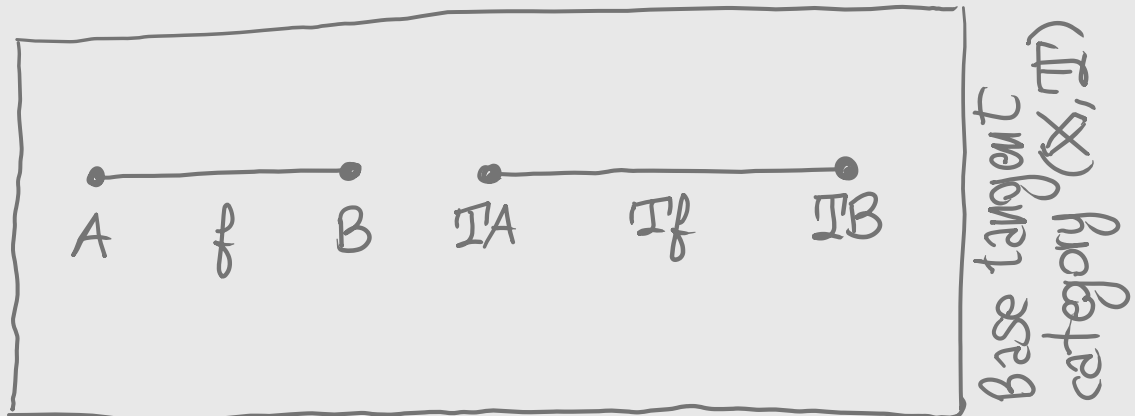
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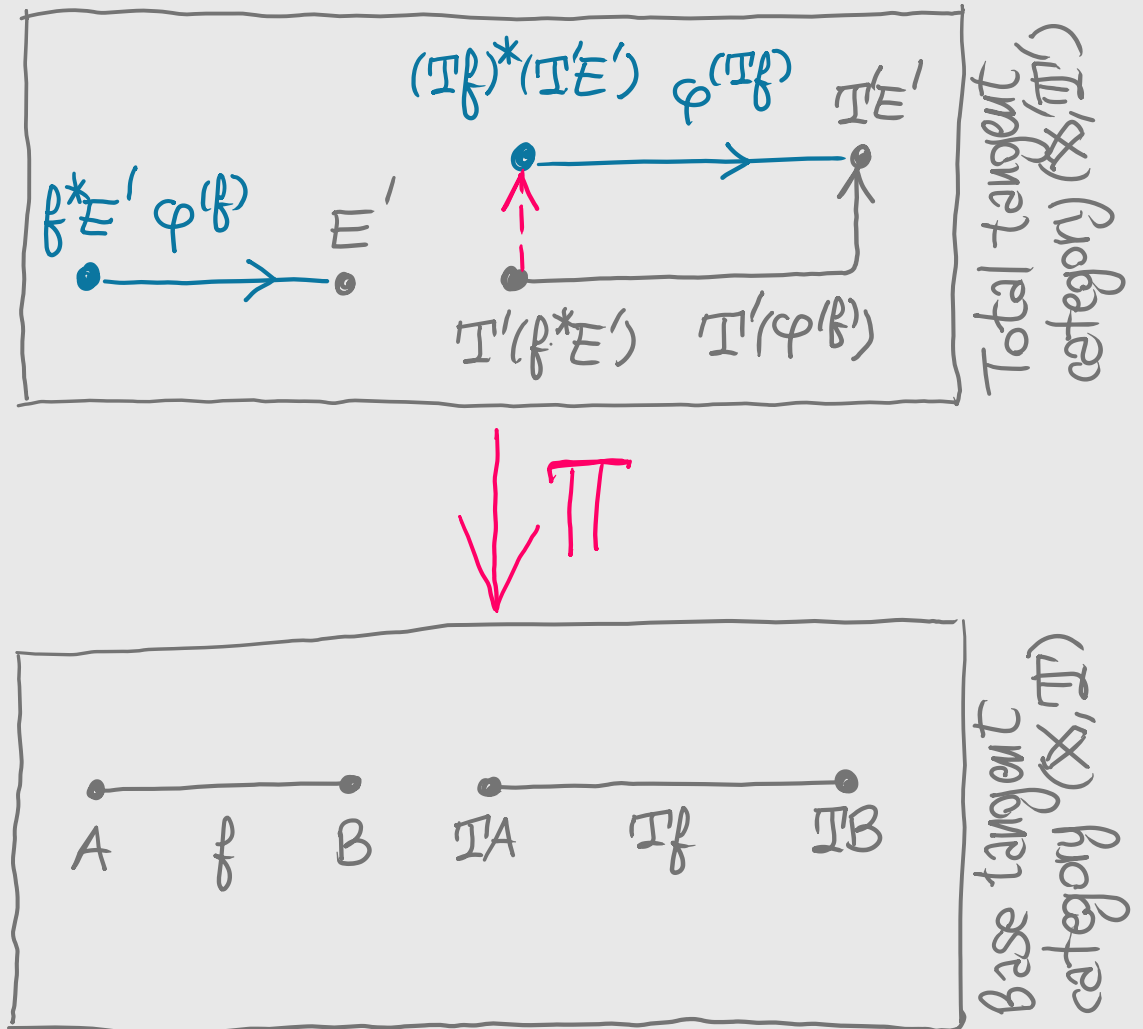
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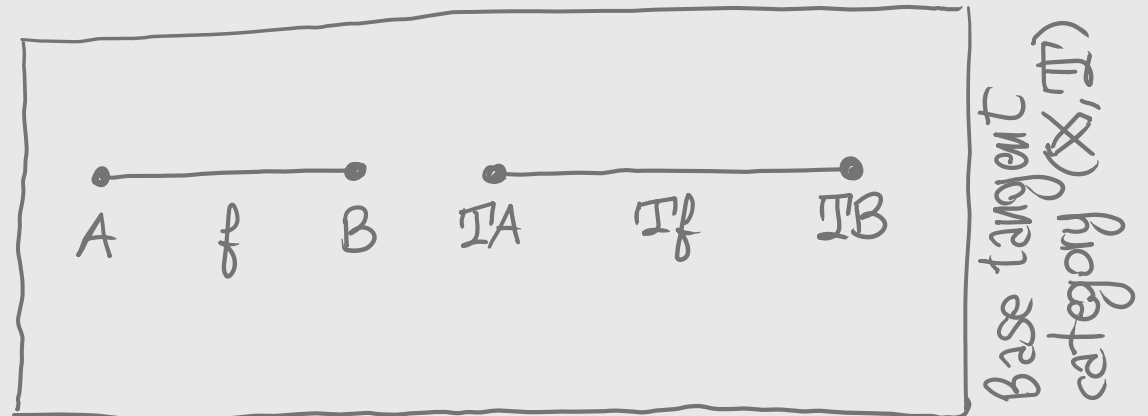
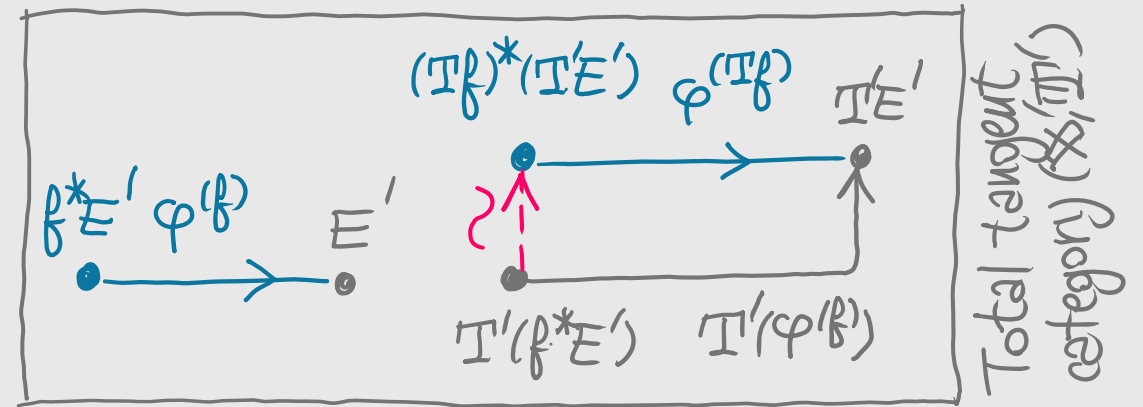
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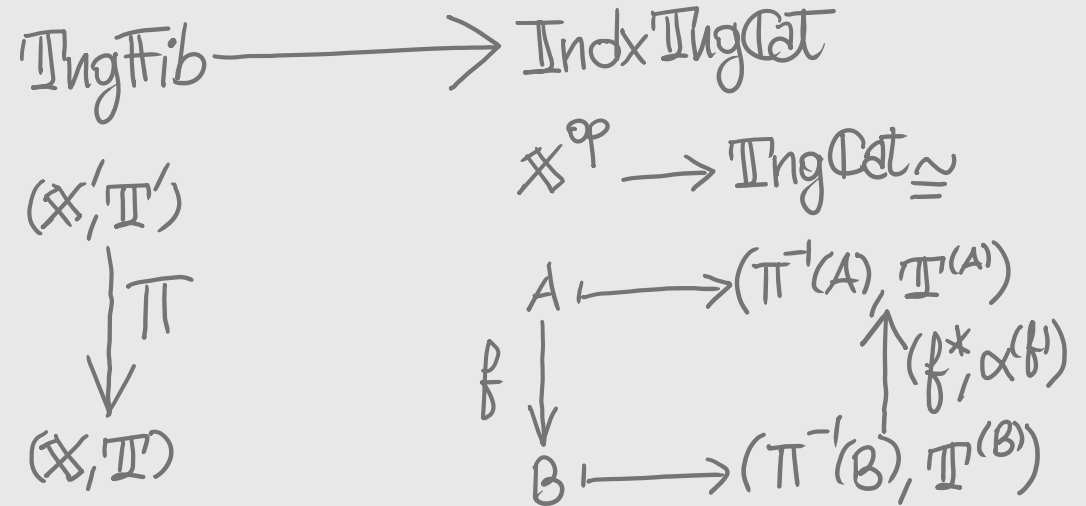
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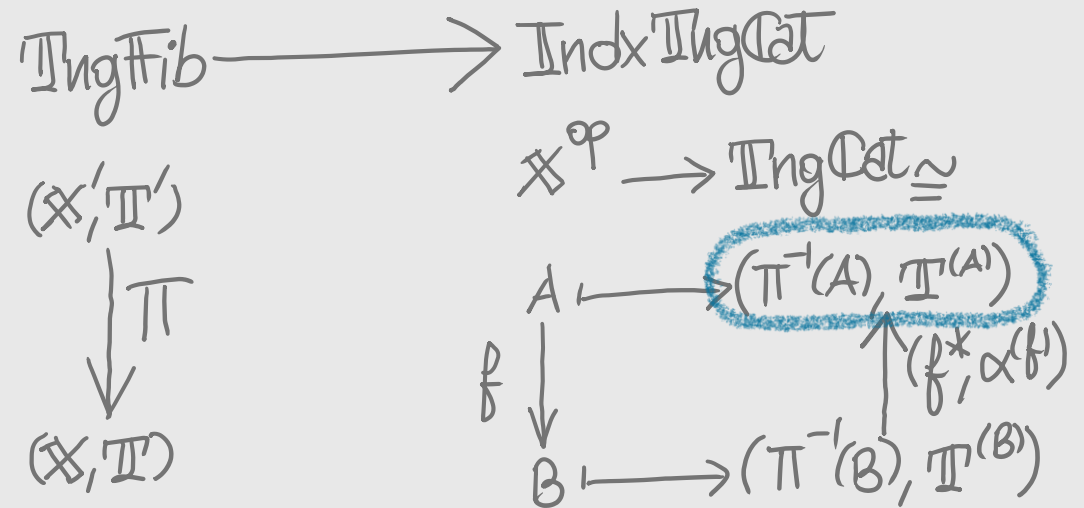
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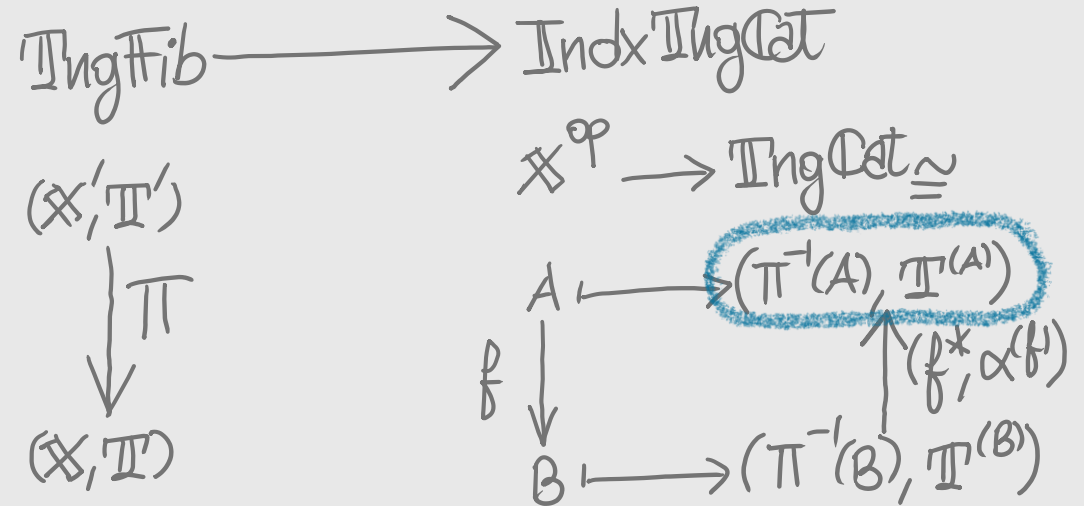
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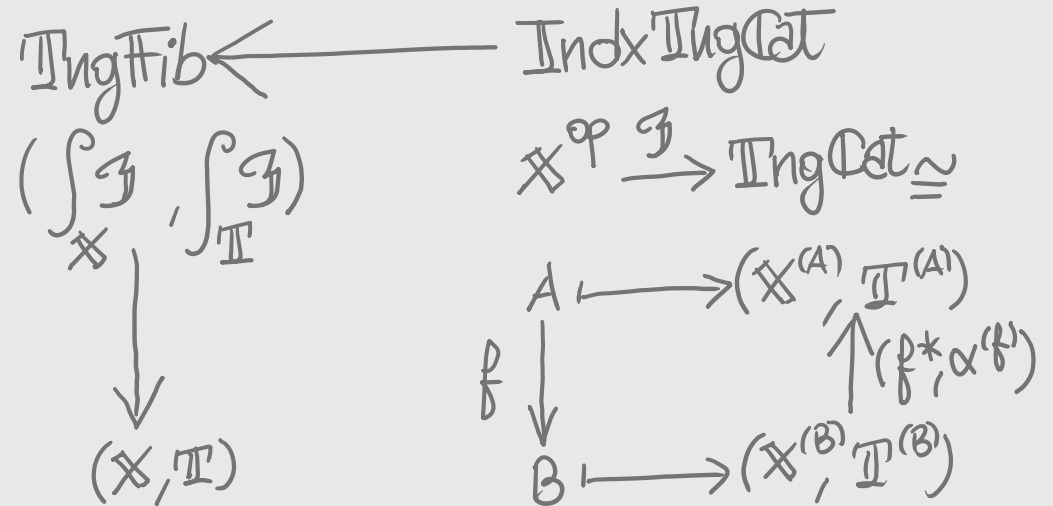


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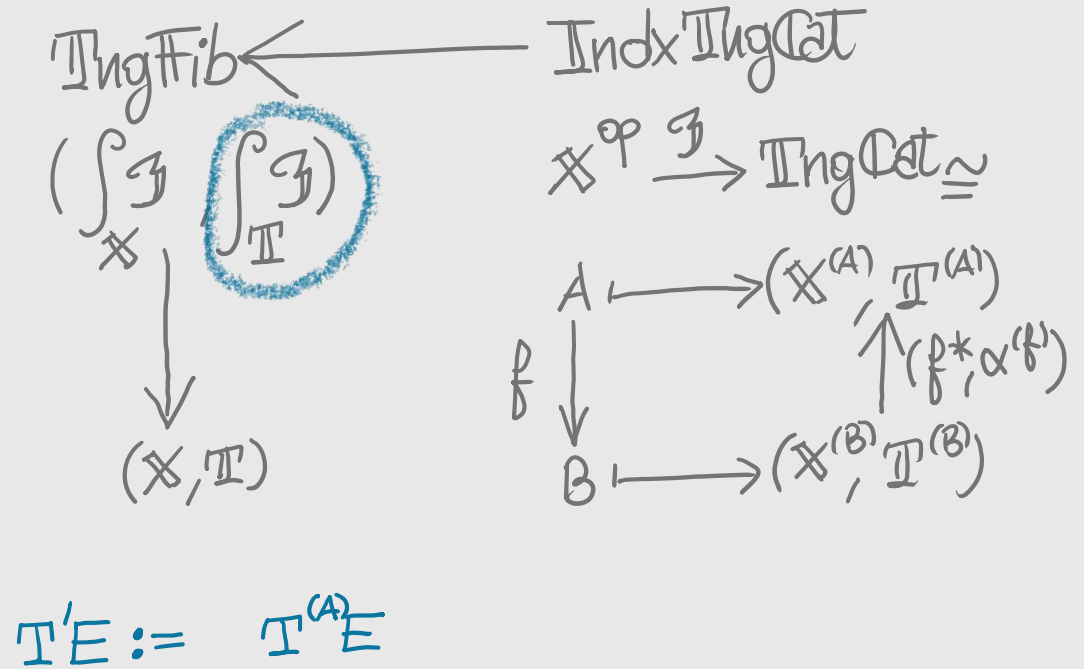
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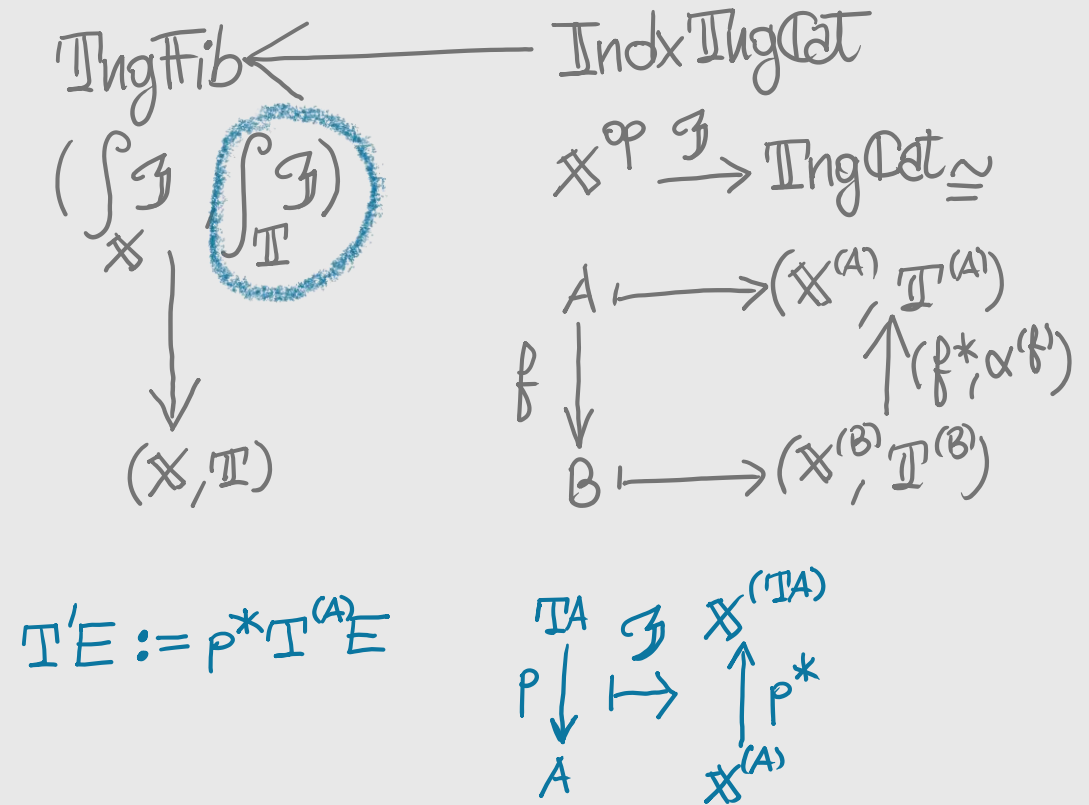
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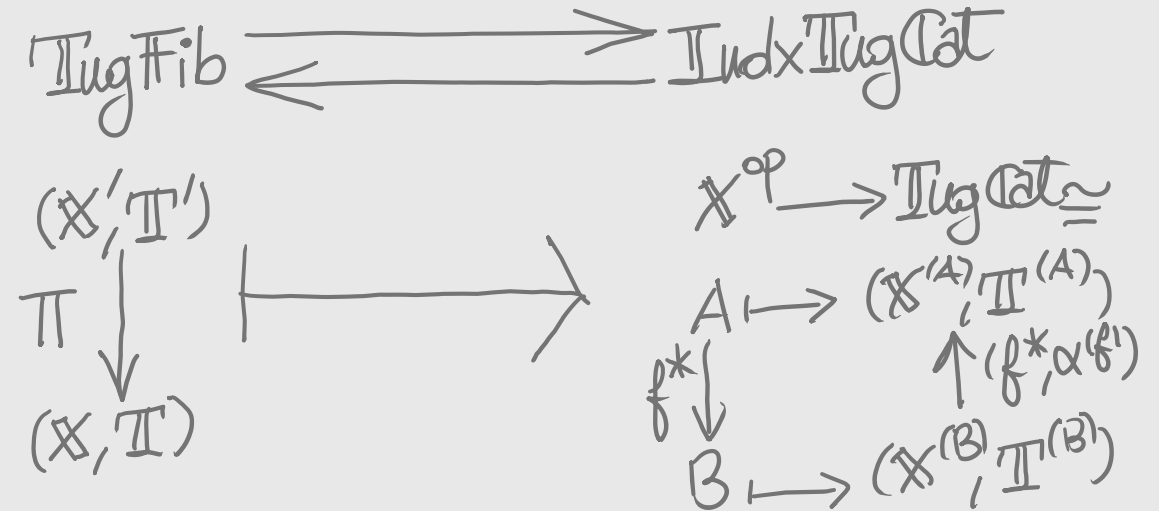


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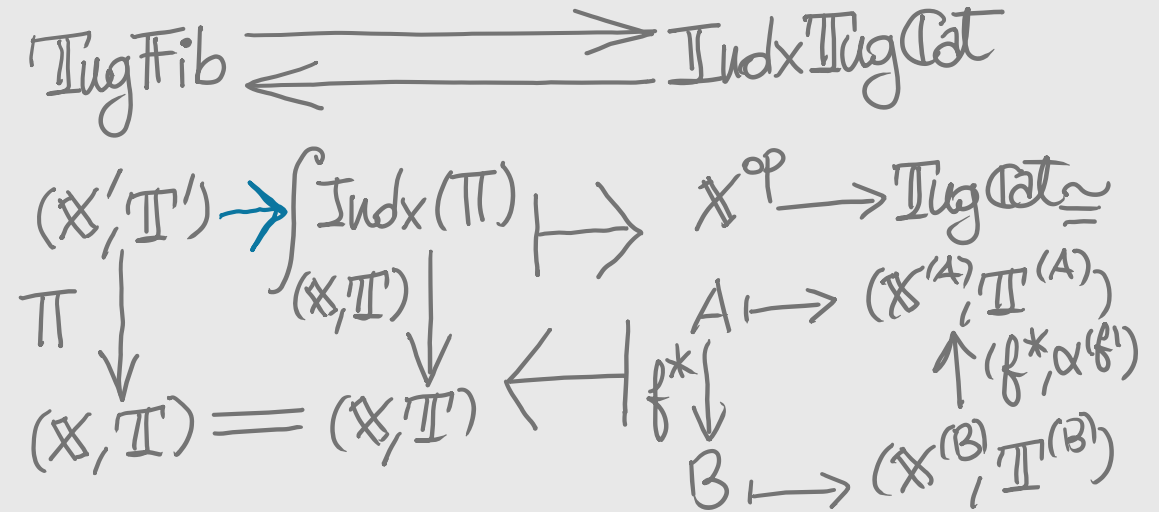


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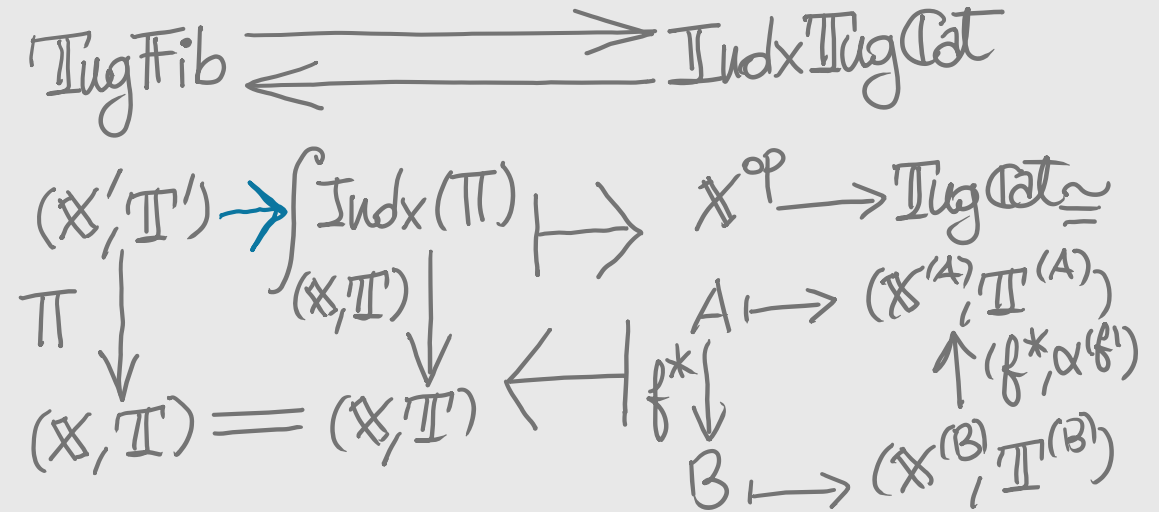
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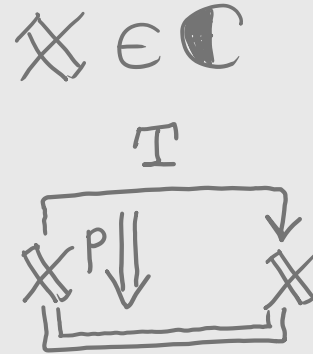
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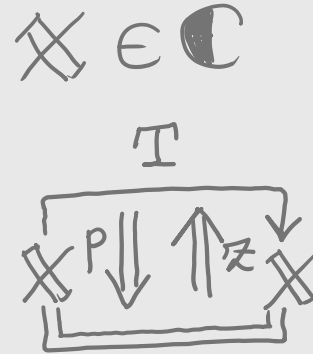
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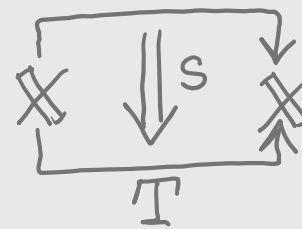
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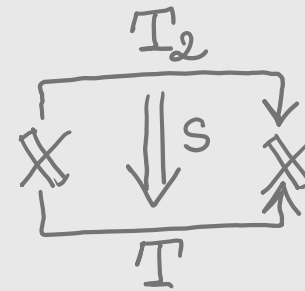
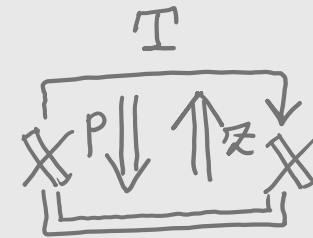
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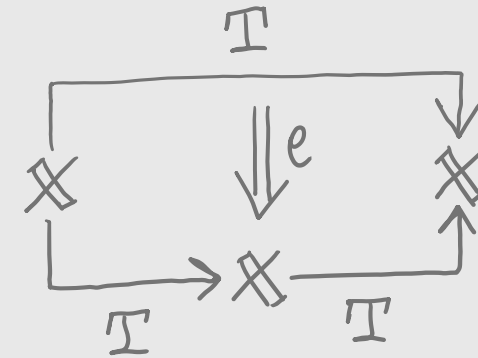
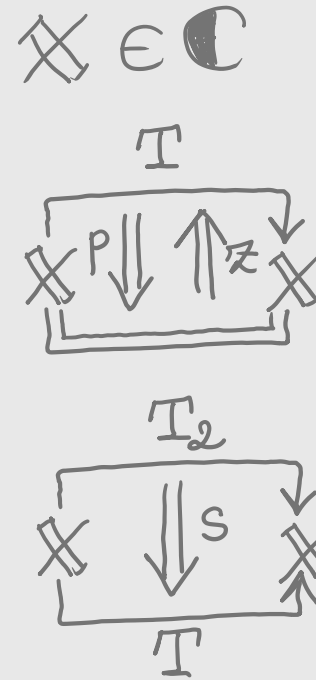
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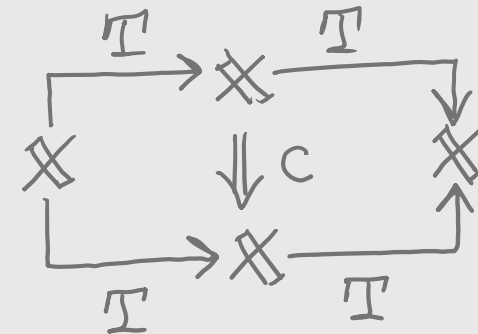
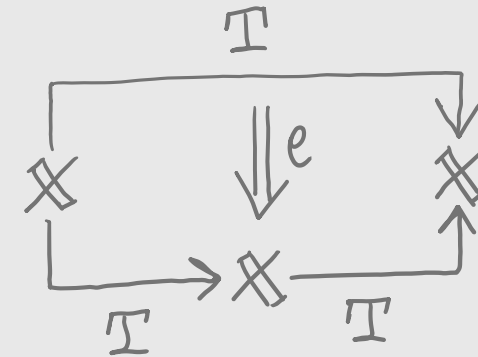
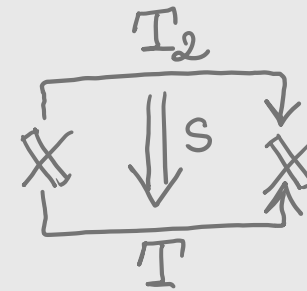


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The tangent Grothendieck construction

chapter 3

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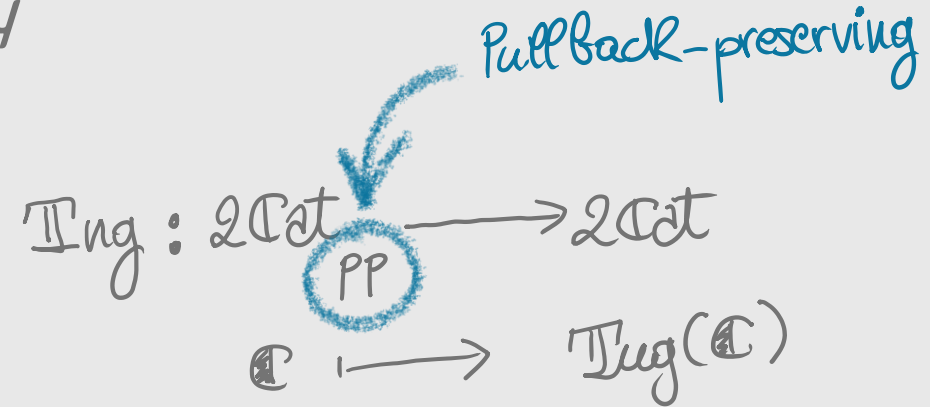
The operation which sends a 2-category \mathbb{C} to the 2-category $\text{Tng}(\mathbb{C})$ of tangent objects of \mathbb{C} extends to a 2-functor.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Tng} : 2\text{Cat}_{\text{PP}} & \longrightarrow & 2\text{Cat} \\ \mathbb{C} & \longmapsto & \text{Tng}(\mathbb{C}) \end{array}$$

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The operation which sends a 2-category \mathbb{C} to the 2-category $\text{Tng}(\mathbb{C})$ of tangent objects of \mathbb{C} extends to a 2-functor.



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$$\mathbb{T}^{(A)} : \mathbb{X}^{(A)} \longrightarrow \mathbb{X}^{(\mathbb{T}A)}$$

the end.

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