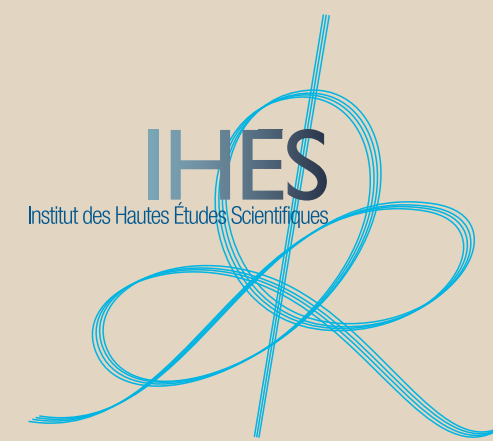


Experimental Combinatorics via Rule-Algebraic Methods

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for Physics: special days

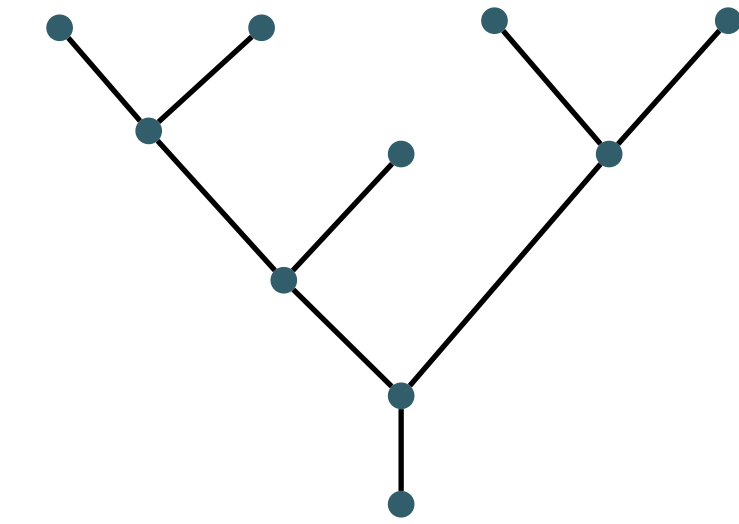
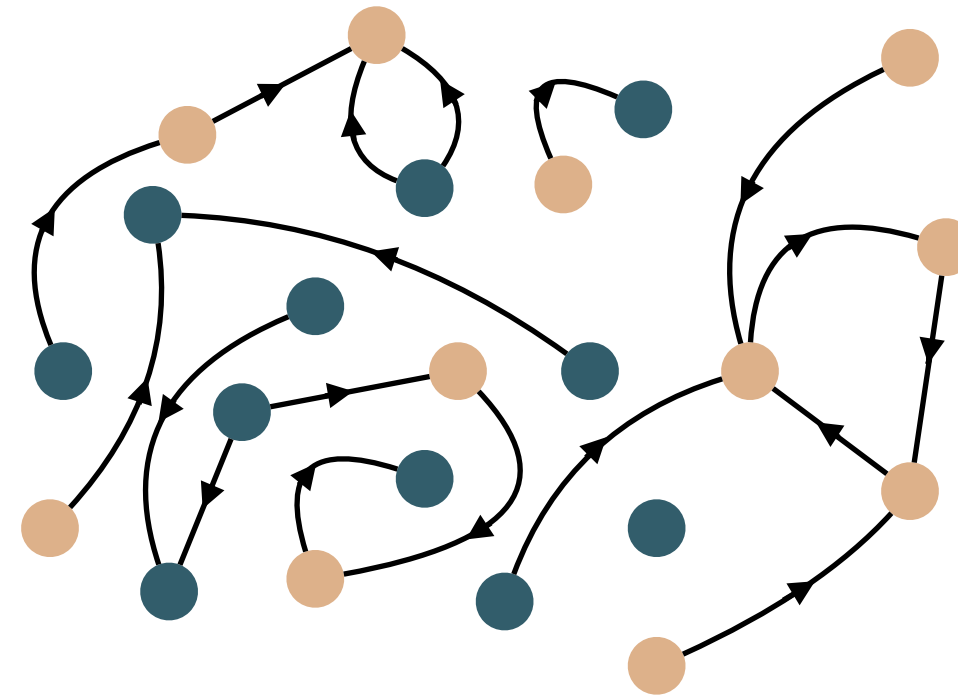
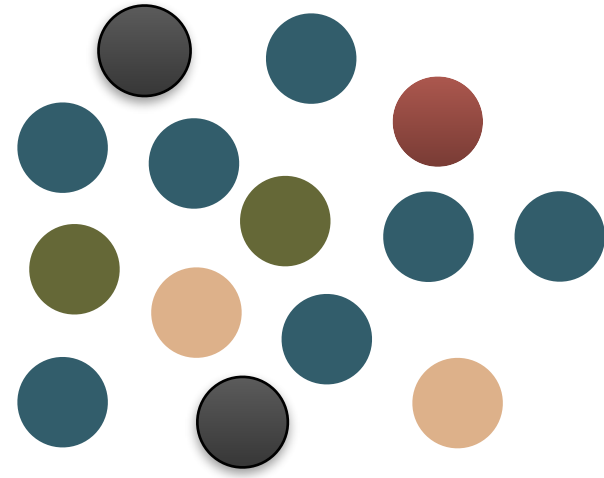


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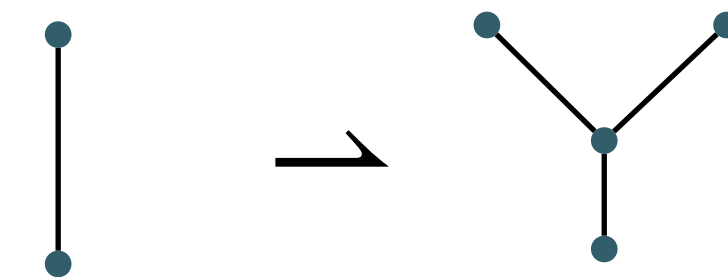
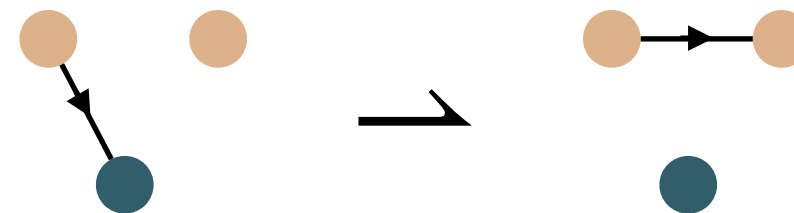


transitions
 $I \rightarrow O$

find occurrence
of **input pattern I**...



... **replace** with occurrence
of **output pattern O**



applications

+ **continuous-time Markov chain (CTMC)**
semantics for transitions
 $\Rightarrow$ **CHEMISTRY**

+ **CTMC** or **discrete-time Markov chain (DTMC)**
semantics for transitions
 $\Rightarrow$ **DYNAMICAL NETWORKS,**
AUTOMATA, RANDOM GRAPHS, ...

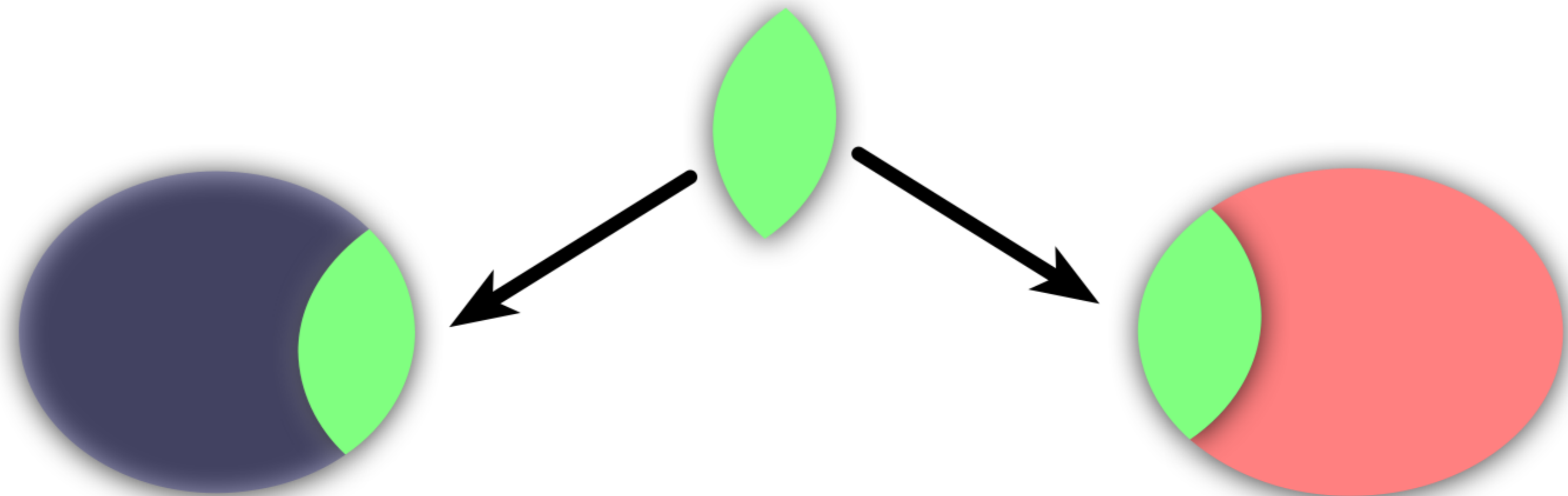
+ **pattern counting**
+ **generating function theory**
 $\Rightarrow$ **COMBINATORICS**

Plan

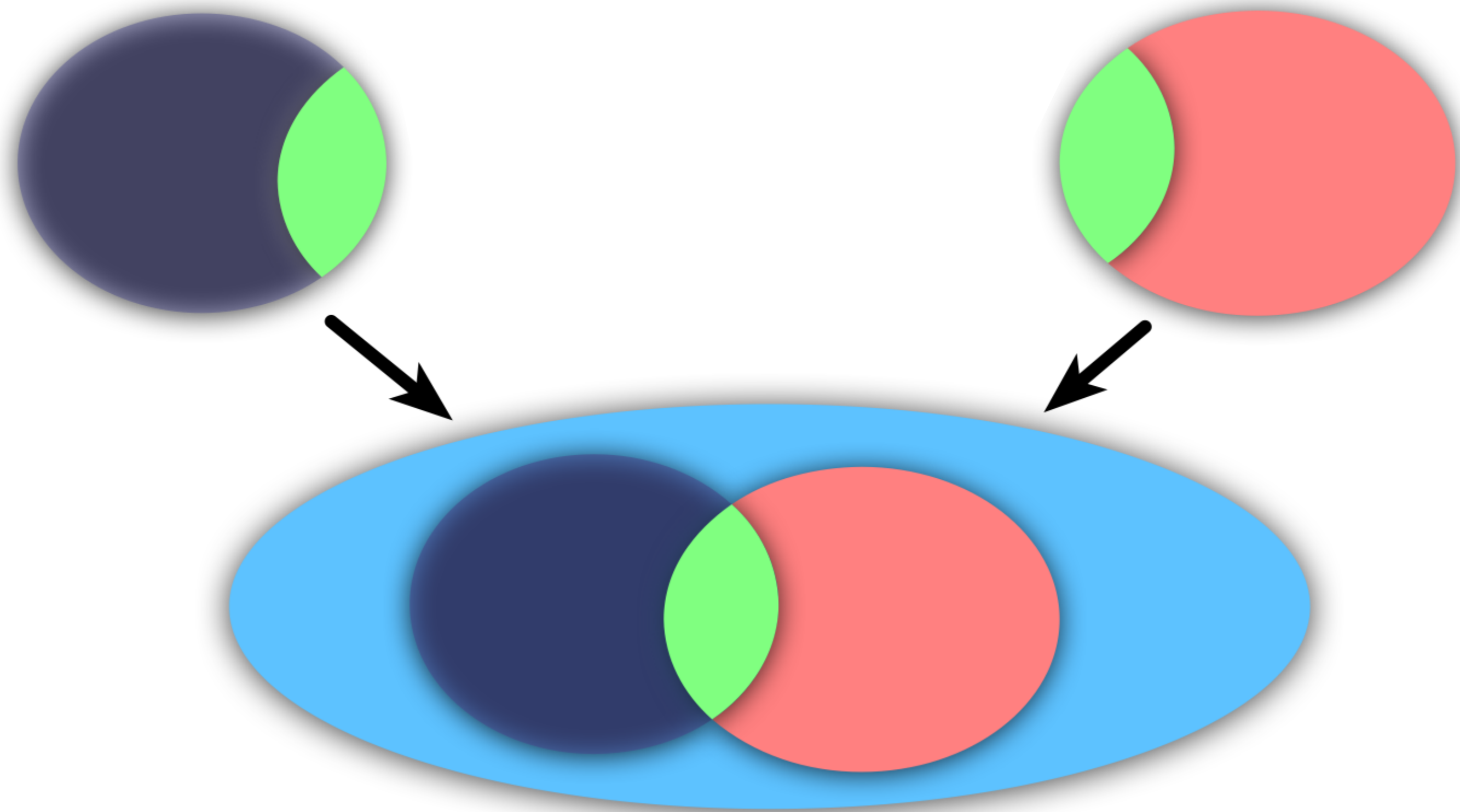
- I. Categorical rewriting theory
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- III. Experimental combinatorics

I. Categorical rewriting theory

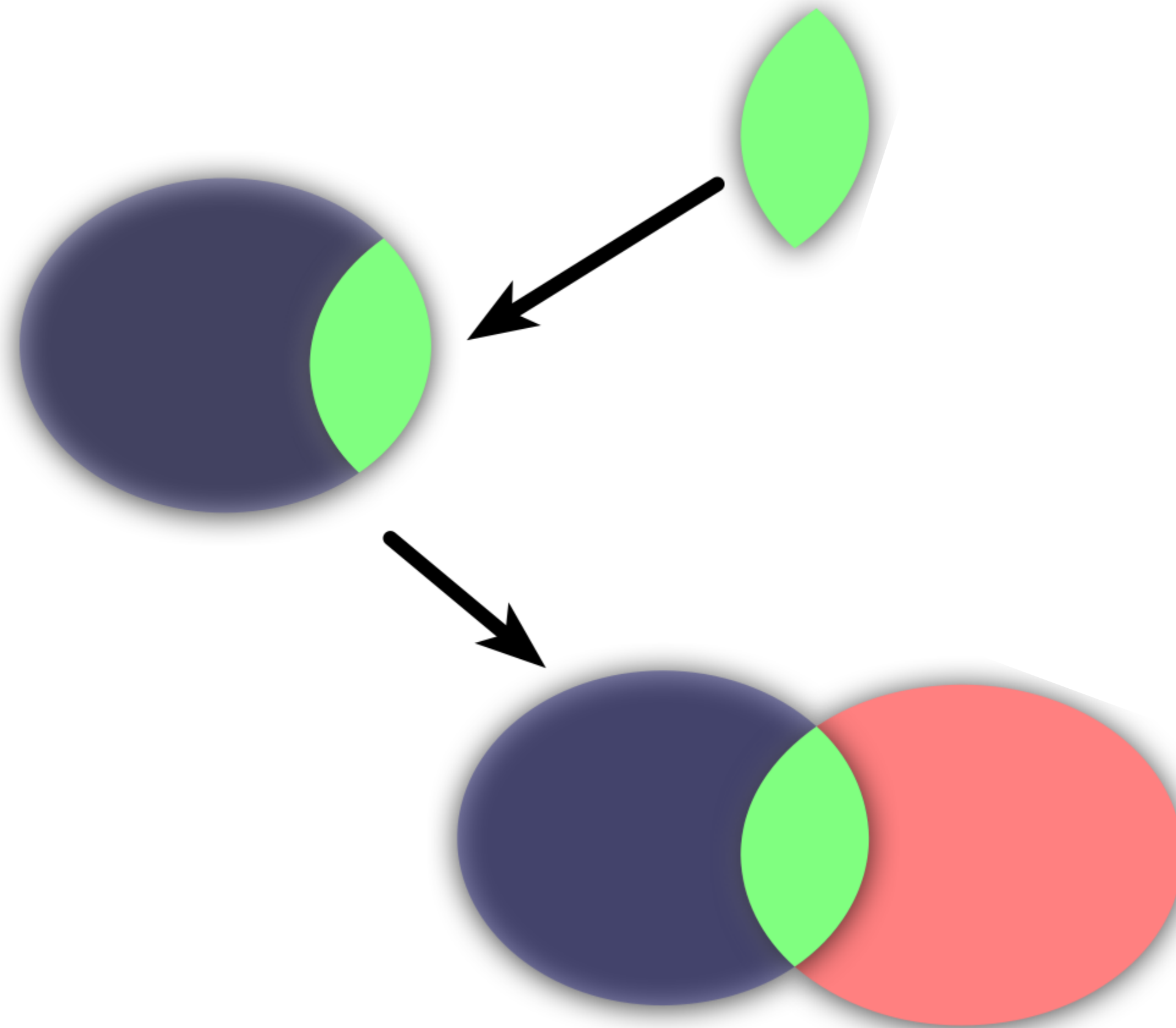
Set union



Set intersection (of two sets within another set)

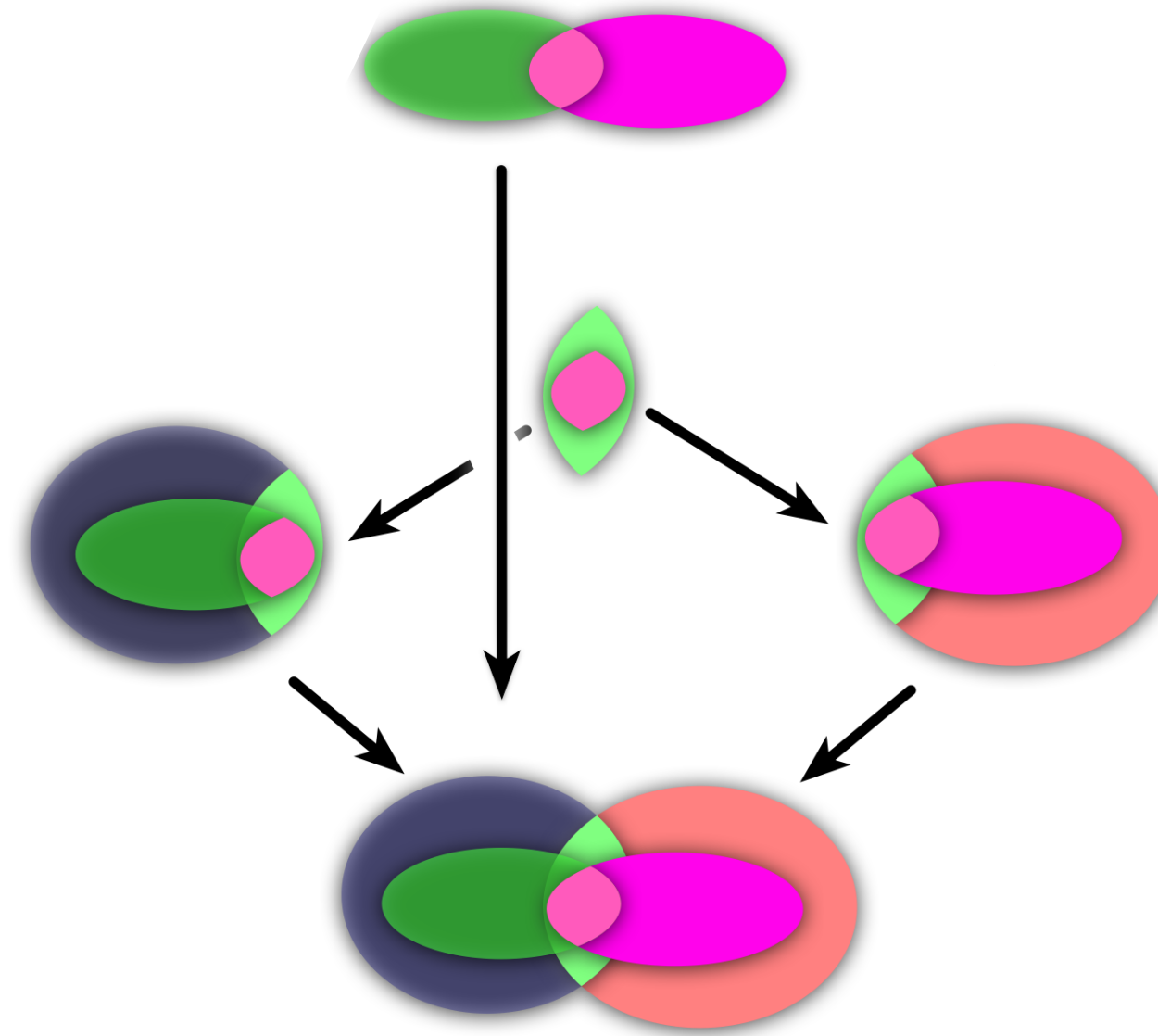


Set complement



Van Kampen property (*Lack & Sobocinski 2003*)

If the bottom square is a **pushout**



The basic prerequisites for category-theoretical rewriting theories

A category **C** is **adhesive** if

1. **C** has **all pullbacks**
2. **C** has **pushouts along monomorphisms**
3. Pushouts along monomorphisms are **van Kampen squares**.

S. Lack & P. Sobociński (2005). *Adhesive and quasiadhesive categories*. RAIRO-Theoretical Informatics and Applications, 39(3), 511-545.

A category **C** is **finitary** if every object $X \in \text{ob}(\mathbf{C})$ has only **finitely many subobjects** (up to isomorphism).

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A category **C** possesses a **strict initial object** $\emptyset \in |\mathbf{C}|$ (the “empty object”) if

1. $\forall X \in \text{ob}(\mathbf{C}) : \exists ! (l_X : \emptyset \hookrightarrow X) \in \text{mono}(\mathbf{C})$
2. $\forall X \in \text{ob}(\mathbf{C}) : \exists (X \rightarrow \emptyset) \Rightarrow X \cong \emptyset$

Example: presheaves

Definition: For $\mathbb{S}$ a (small) category, the category $\hat{\mathbb{S}}$ of **presheaves over** $\mathbb{S}$ has

- **objects** of $\hat{\mathbb{S}}$ are **functors** $F : \mathbb{S}^{op} \rightarrow \mathbb{SET}$
- **morphisms** of $\hat{\mathbb{S}}$ are **natural transformations** $\phi : F \rightrightarrows G$

Special case: (directed) **multigraphs** as $\hat{\mathbb{G}}$, where $\mathbb{G} : V \begin{smallmatrix} \xrightarrow{s} \\ \xrightarrow{t} \end{smallmatrix} E$

$\Rightarrow$ a **graph** G is given by the data $G(V)$ (set of *vertices*), $G(E)$ (set of *edges*) and two morphisms $G(s), G(t) : G(E) \rightarrow G(V)$ (*source/target maps*)

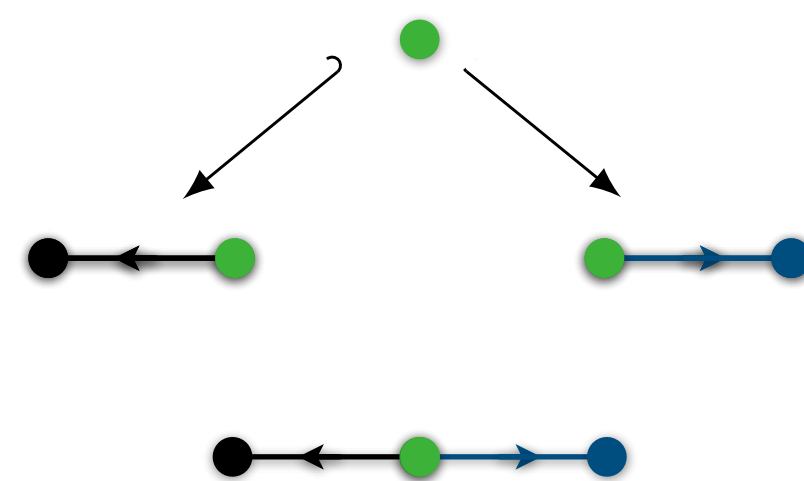
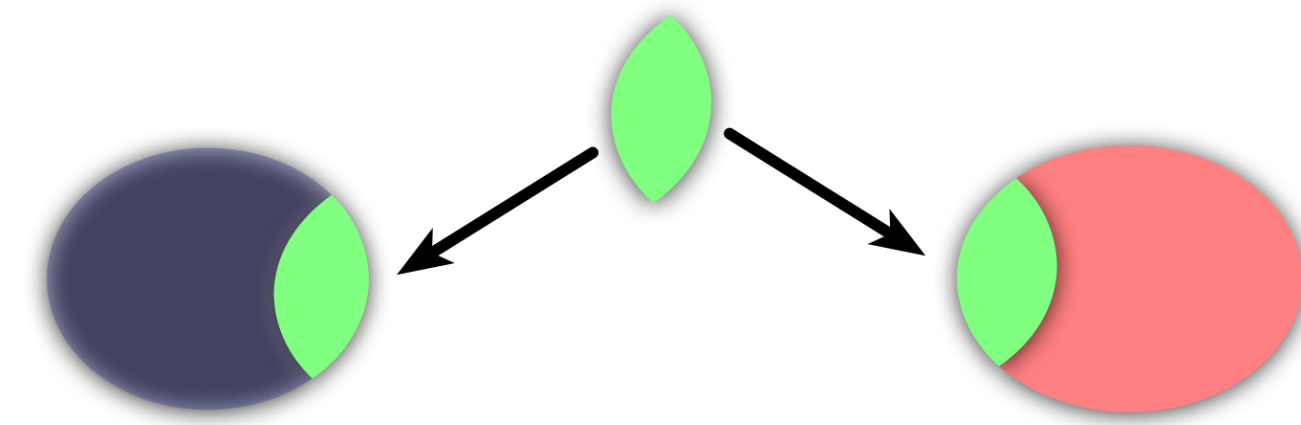
$\Rightarrow$ a **graph homomorphism** $\phi = (\phi_V, \phi_E) : G_1 \rightarrow G_2$ is a natural transformation, i.e.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G_1(E) & \xrightarrow{G_1(s)} & G_1(V) \\ \phi_E \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_V \\ G_2(E) & \xrightarrow{G_2(s)} & G_2(V) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} G_1(E) & \xrightarrow{G_1(t)} & G_1(V) \\ \phi_E \downarrow & & \downarrow \phi_V \\ G_2(E) & \xrightarrow{G_2(t)} & G_2(V) \end{array}$$

commute

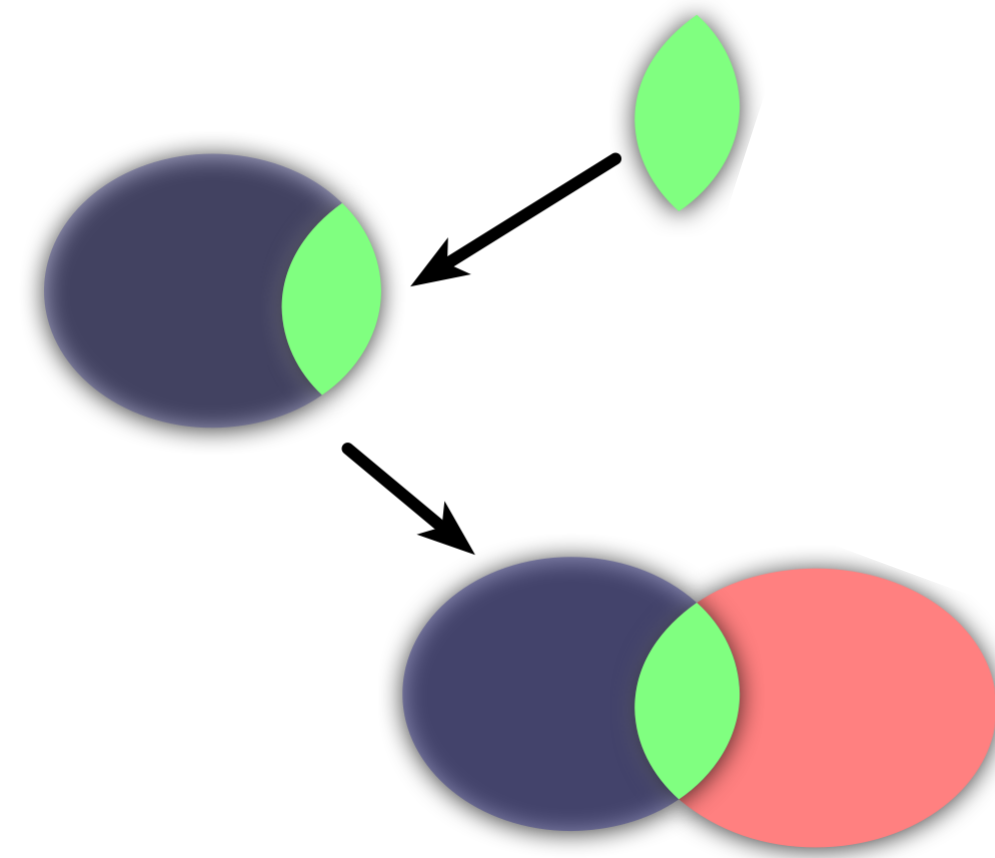
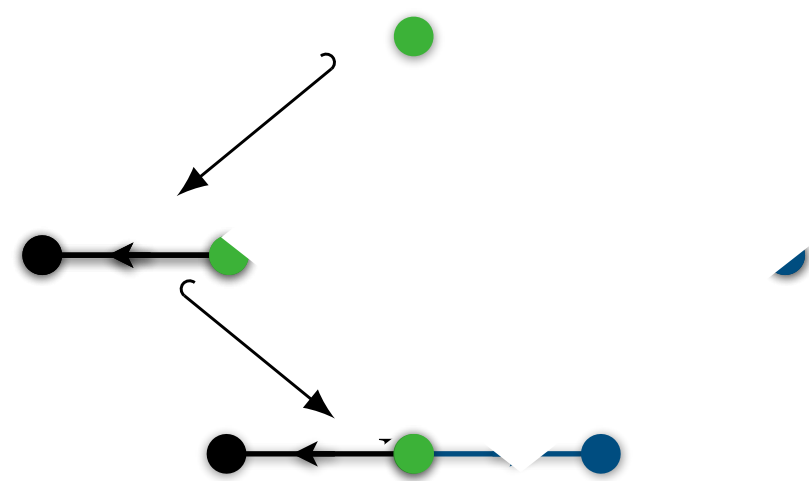
Set union is a special case of ***pushouts***



Interpretation:

A — **intersection** of B and C in D
 D — **union** of B and C along A

Set complements are a special case of ***pushout complements***



Sources of constructions of adhesive categories

- Every **topos** (elementary or Grothendiek) is an adhesive category.

S. Lack & P. Sobociński (2006). *Toposes are adhesive*. In Proceedings of the Third international conference on Graph Transformations (pp. 184-198). Springer-Verlag.

ANALYTIC COMBINATORICS

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Constraints on adhesive categories

Definition: For an adhesive, extensive and finitary category **C**, **constraints** are recursively defined as follows: let $(m : X \hookrightarrow Y) \in \text{mono}(C)$ be a **monomorphism**.

The central “workflow” of categorical rewriting theory

Fix an **adhesive finitary category** $\mathbf{C}$.

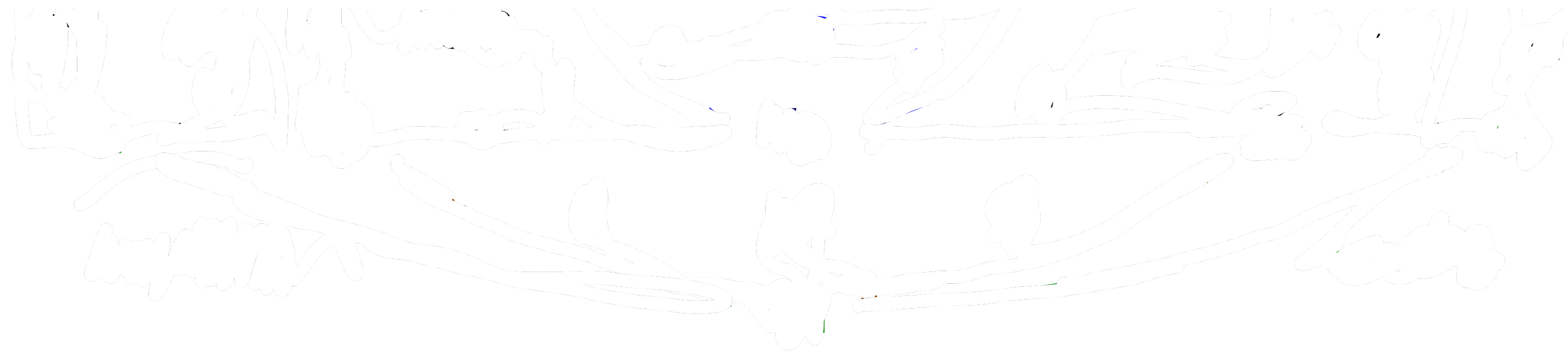
- ▶ Isomorphism classes of **objects** will model the **configurations**.
- ▶ Isomorphism classes of **spans of monomorphisms** will model the **transitions**, also referred to as **rewriting rules**:

$$r \equiv (O \xleftarrow{r} I) \equiv (O \xleftarrow{o} K \xrightarrow{i} I)$$

Examples for rewriting rules:

Sequential composition of linear rules along a match

Fix an **adhesive finitary category $\mathbf{C}$** . Let

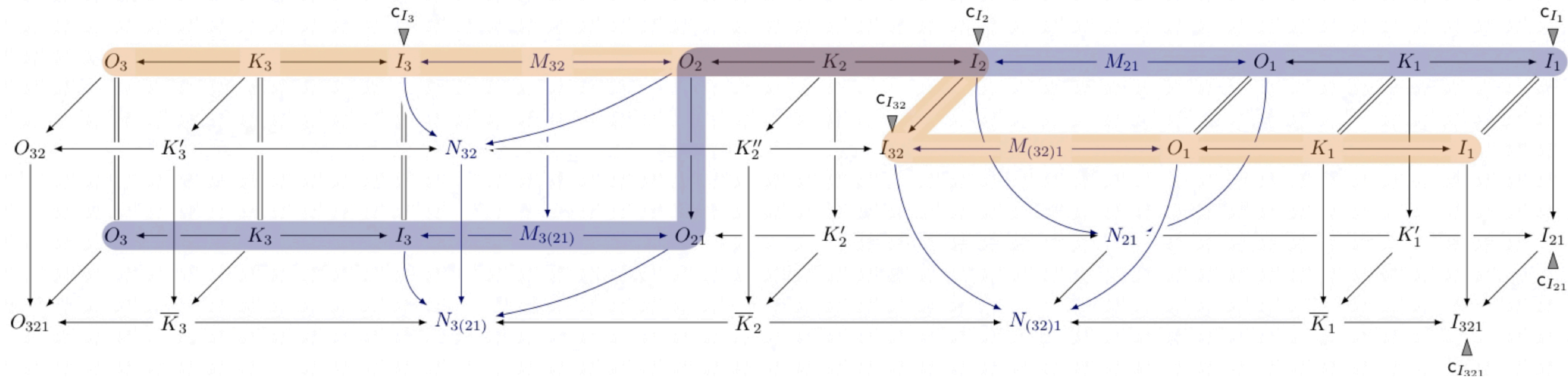


II. Rule algebra formalism

Encoding non-determinism of rule compositions

- ▶ Given two **rules** r_1, r_2 and a **match** $\mu \in M_{r_2}(r_1)$,
let the **composition** be denoted as $r_2 \overset{\mu}{\blacktriangleleft} r_1$.

Theorem (NB et al.): For every **adhesive**, **finitary** and **extensive category $\mathbf{C}$** (possibly with **constraints**), the **rule algebra** $(R_C, *_R)$ is an **associative unital algebra**, with **unit element** $r_\emptyset := \delta(\emptyset \leftrightarrow \emptyset \hookrightarrow \emptyset)$.

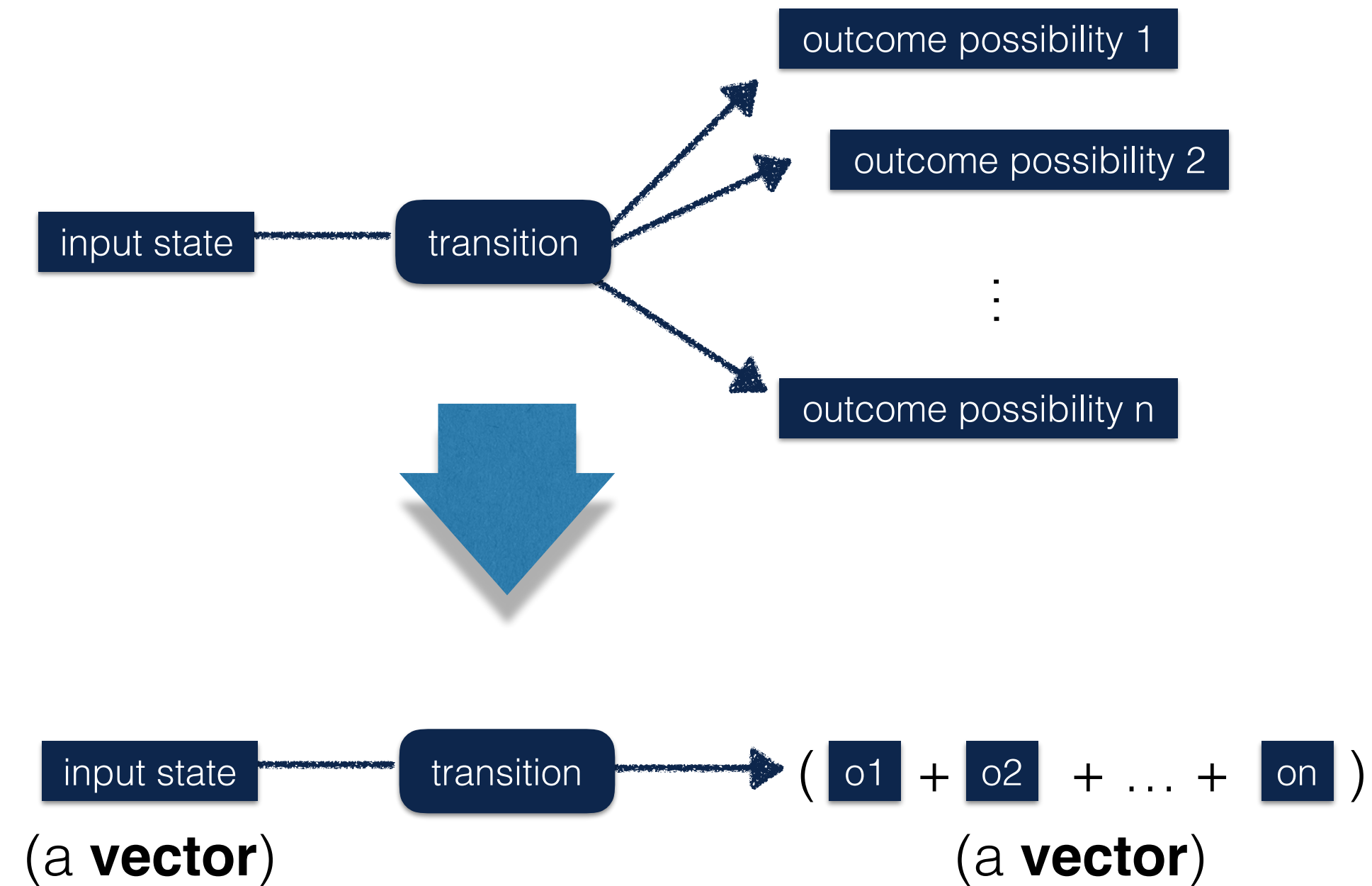


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Nicolas Behr. “Sesqui-Pushout Rewriting: Concurrency, Associativity and Rule Algebra Framework”. In: *arXiv preprint 1904.08357* (2019)

Nicolas Behr and Jean Krivine. “Compositionality of Rewriting Rules with Conditions”. In: *arXiv preprint 1904.09322* (2019)

Encoding non-determinism of rule applications



A possibility to encode non-determinism:

map **multiple possibilities** of transitions ...

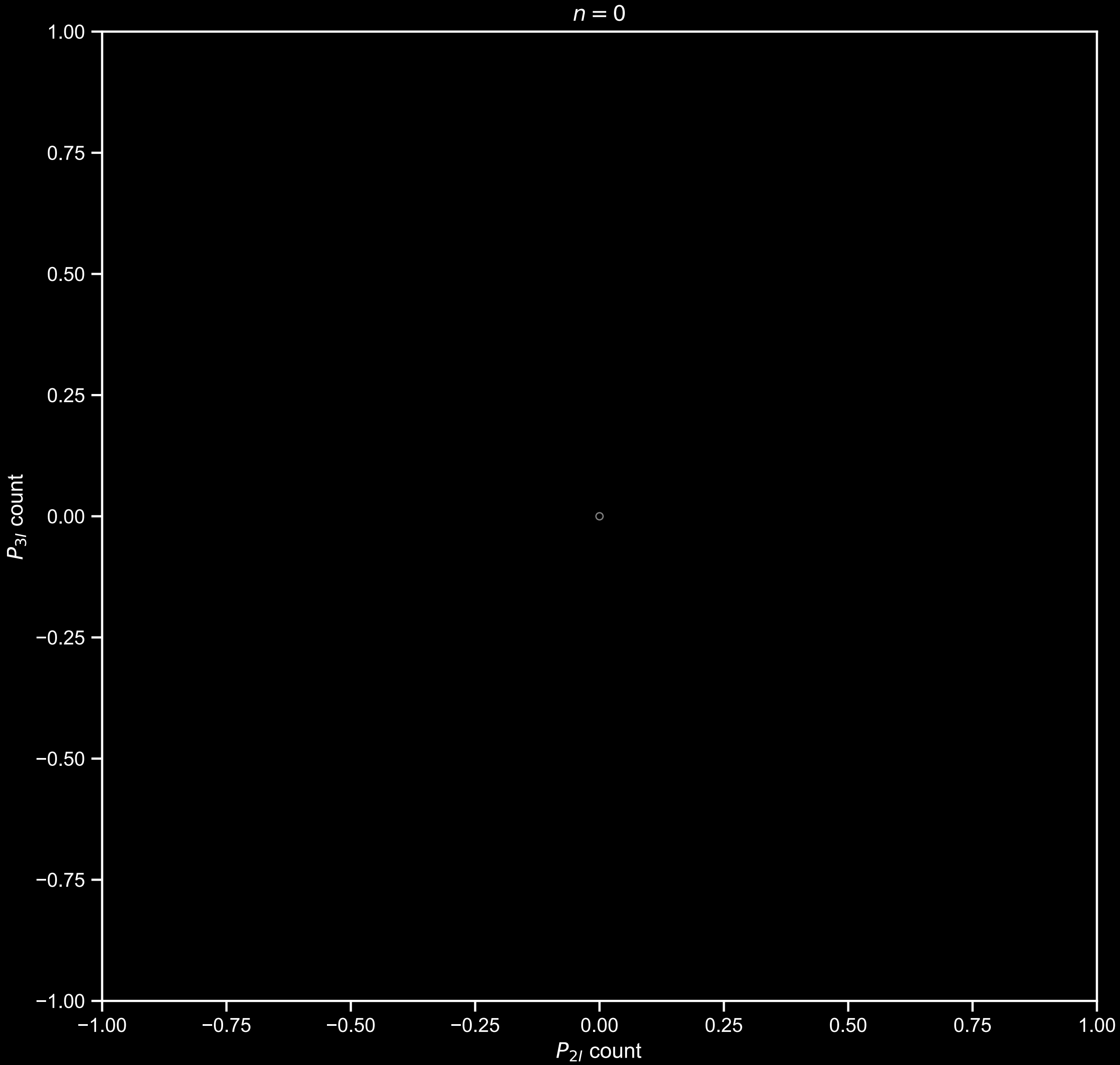
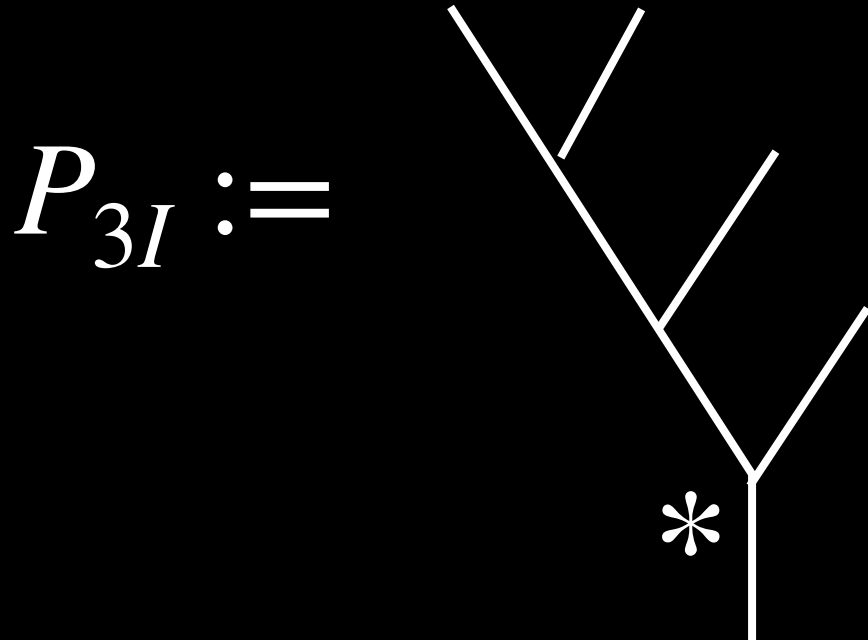
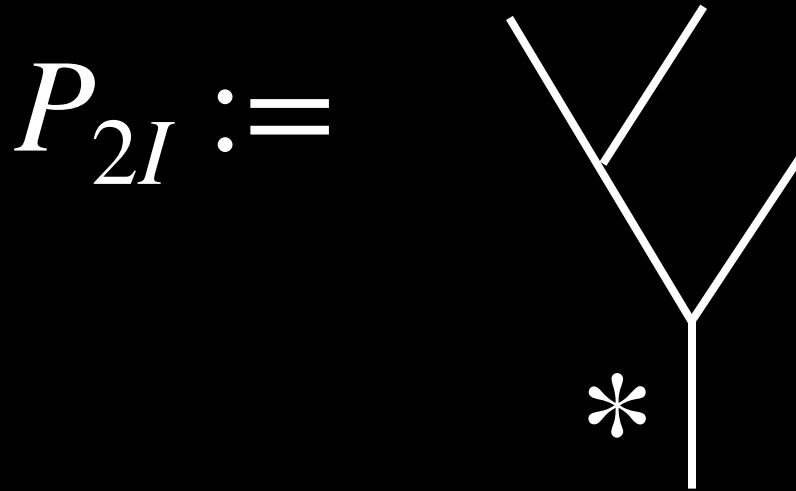
... into "**sum of possibilities**"

(via employing the notion of a **vector space of states** and of transitions as **linear operators** on this space)

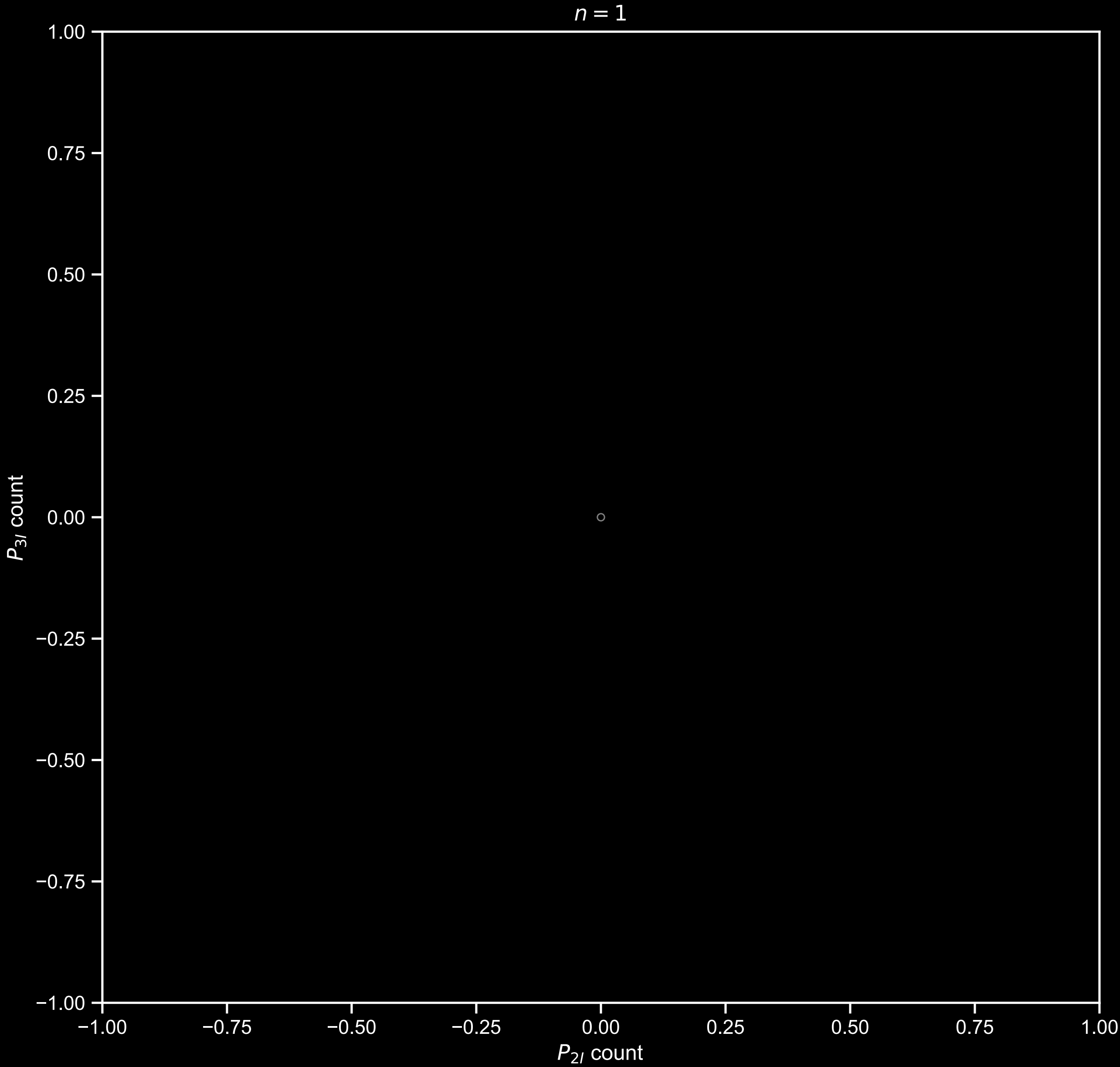
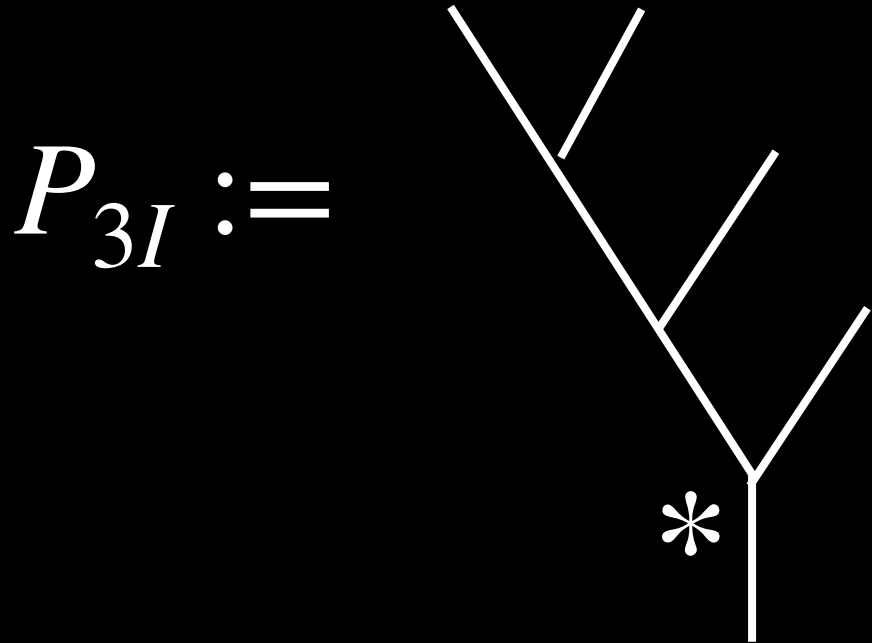
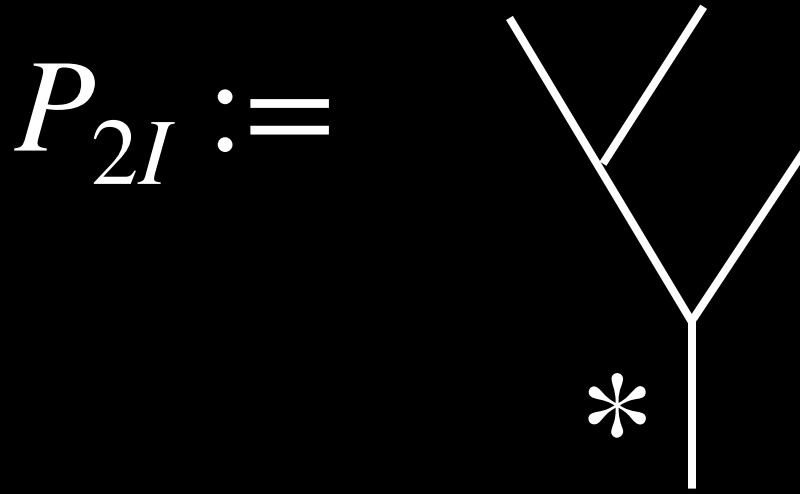
Encoding non-determinism of rule applications

- ▶ Given an **object** $X \in \mathbf{C}$, a **rule** r and a **match** $m \in M_r(X)$,
let the **application of r to X along m** be denoted as $r_m(X)$.

III. Experimental combinatorics

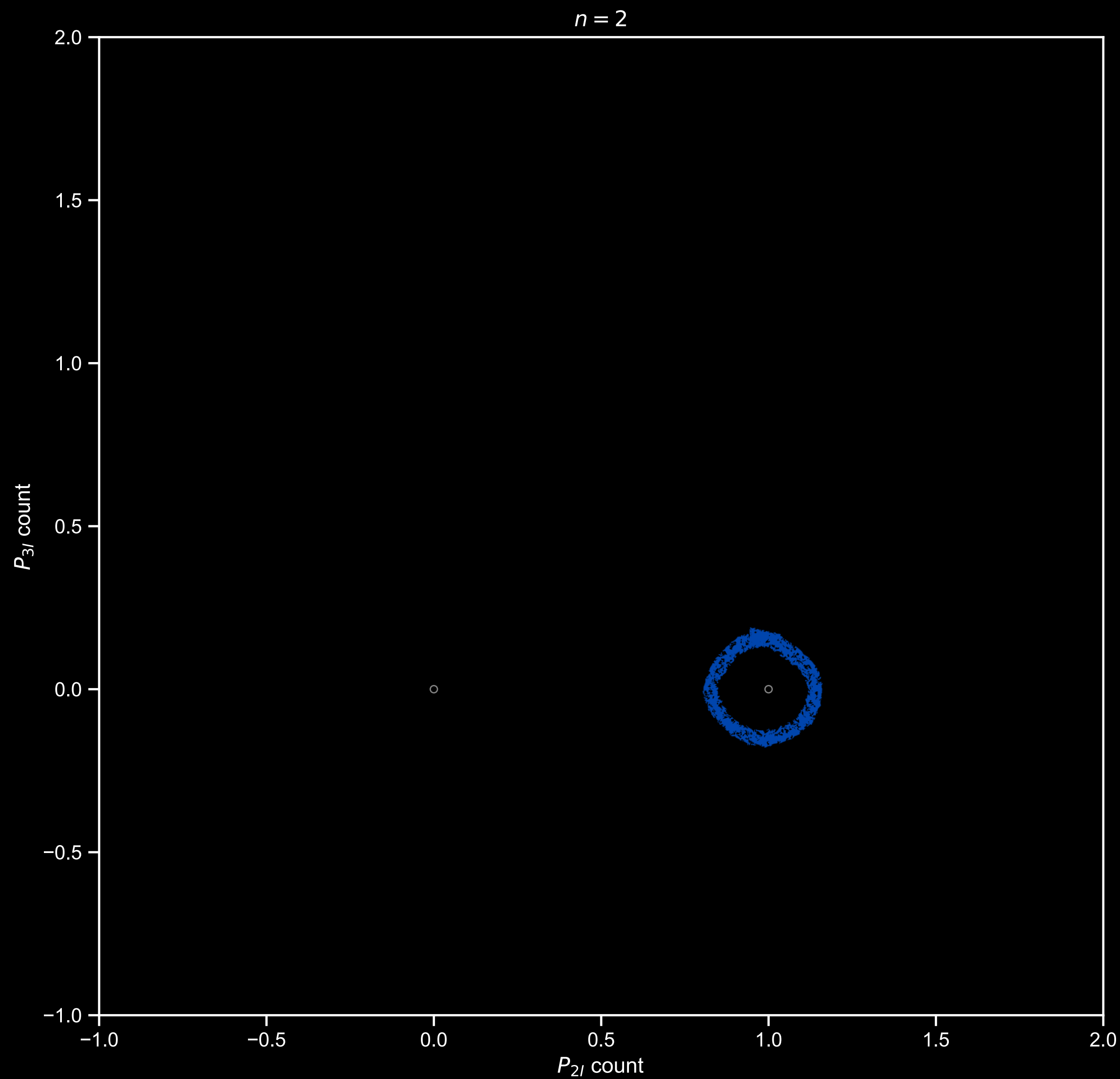
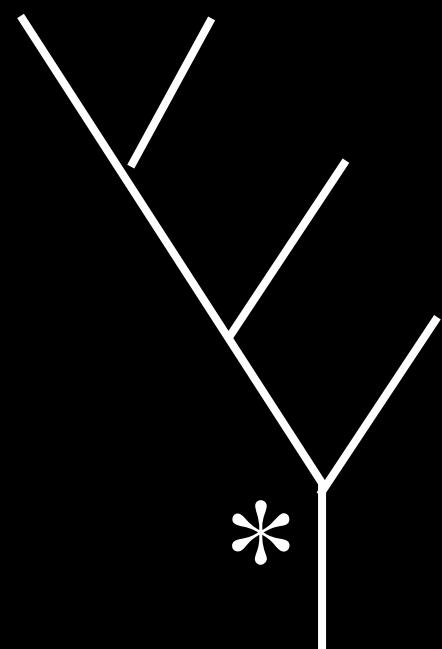


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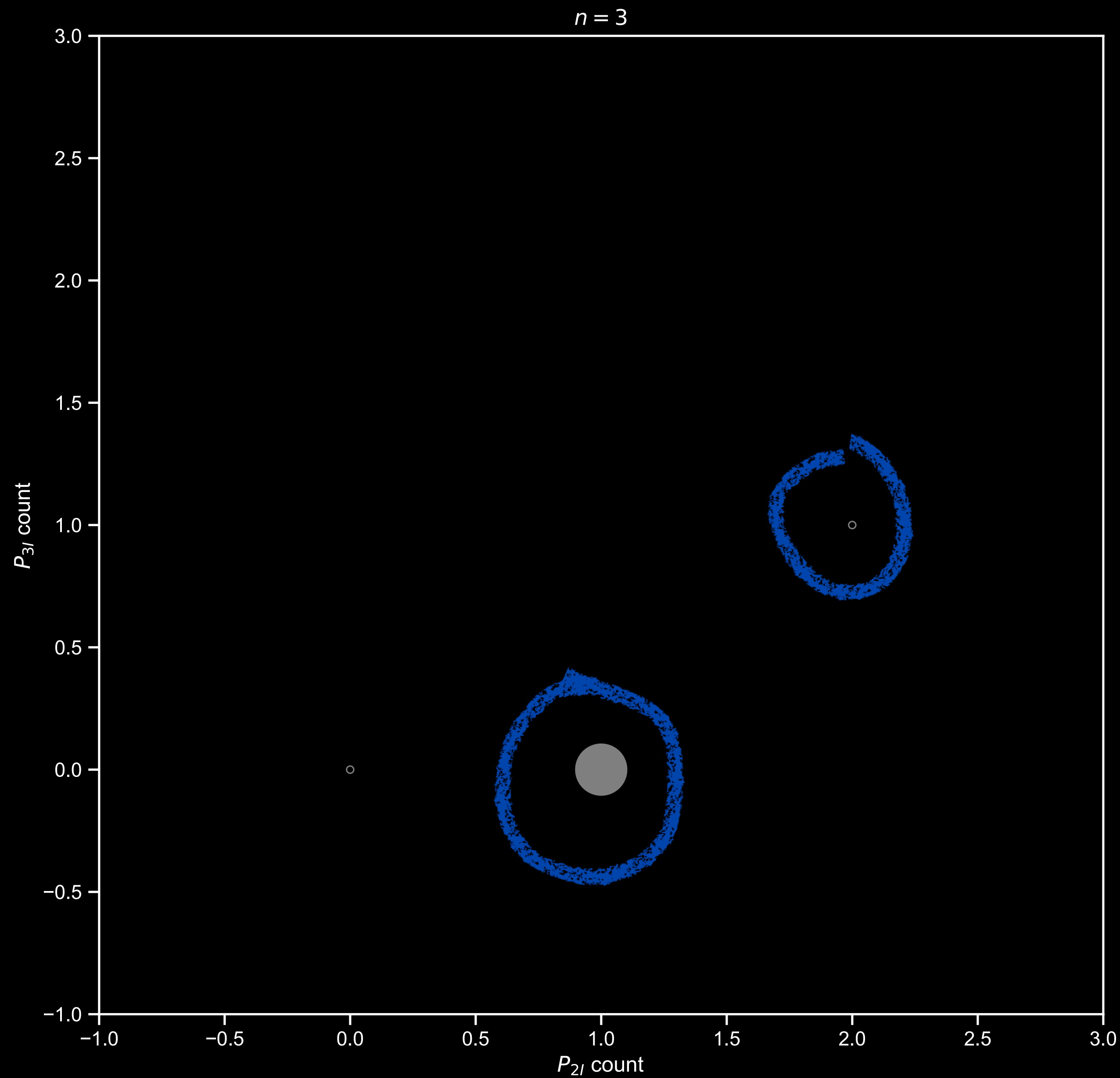
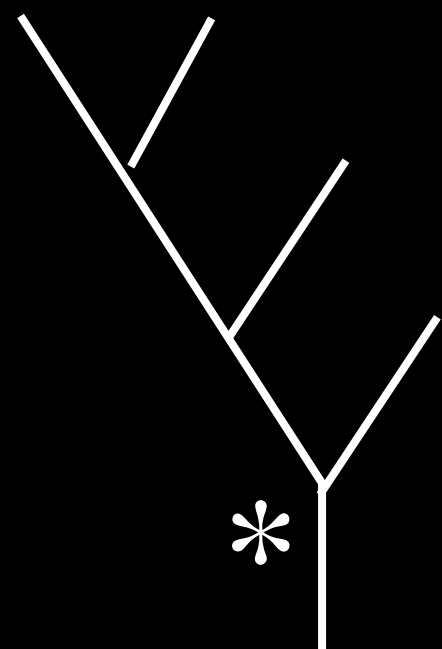
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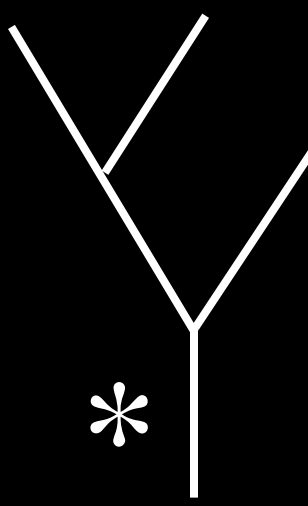
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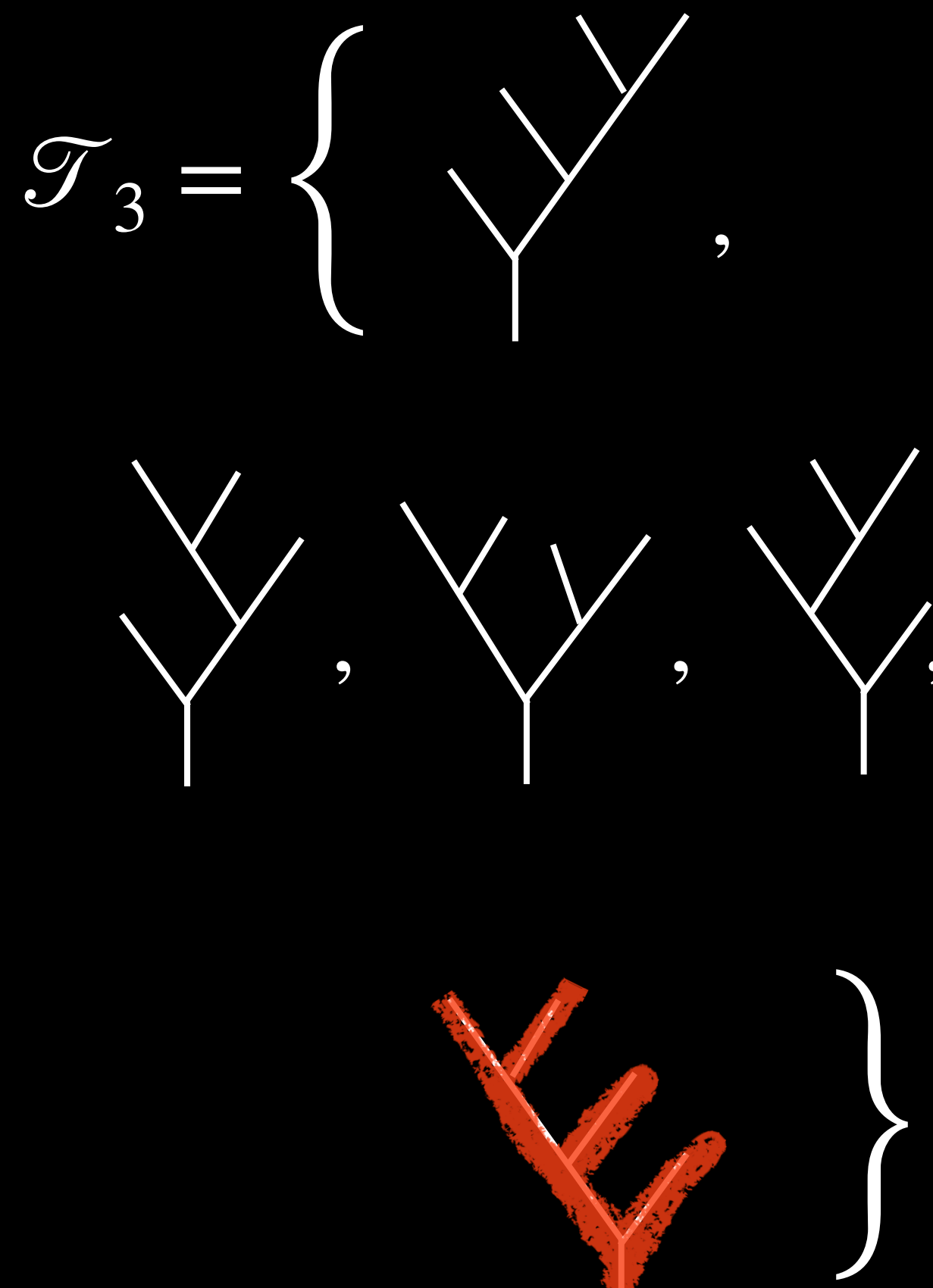
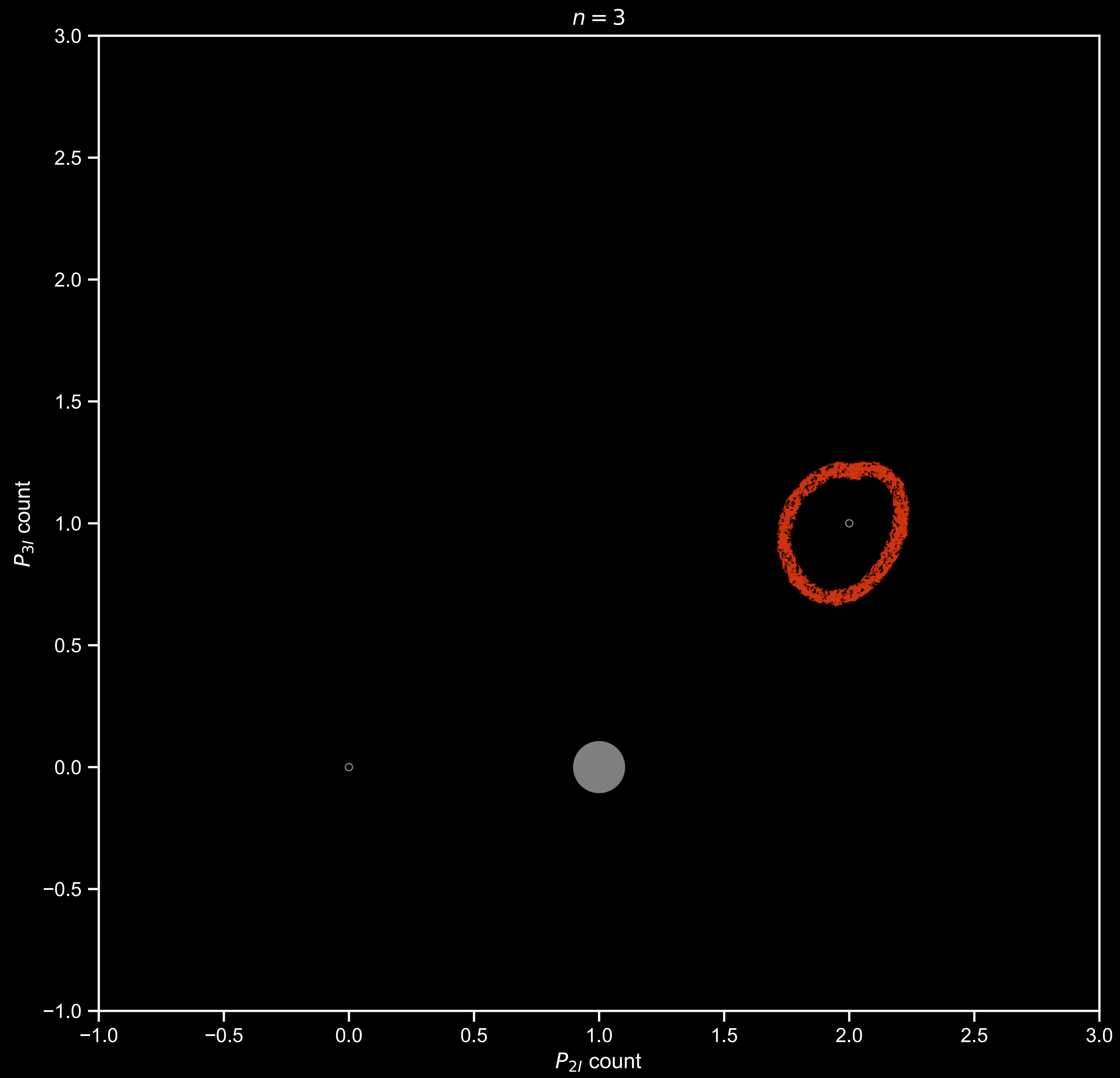
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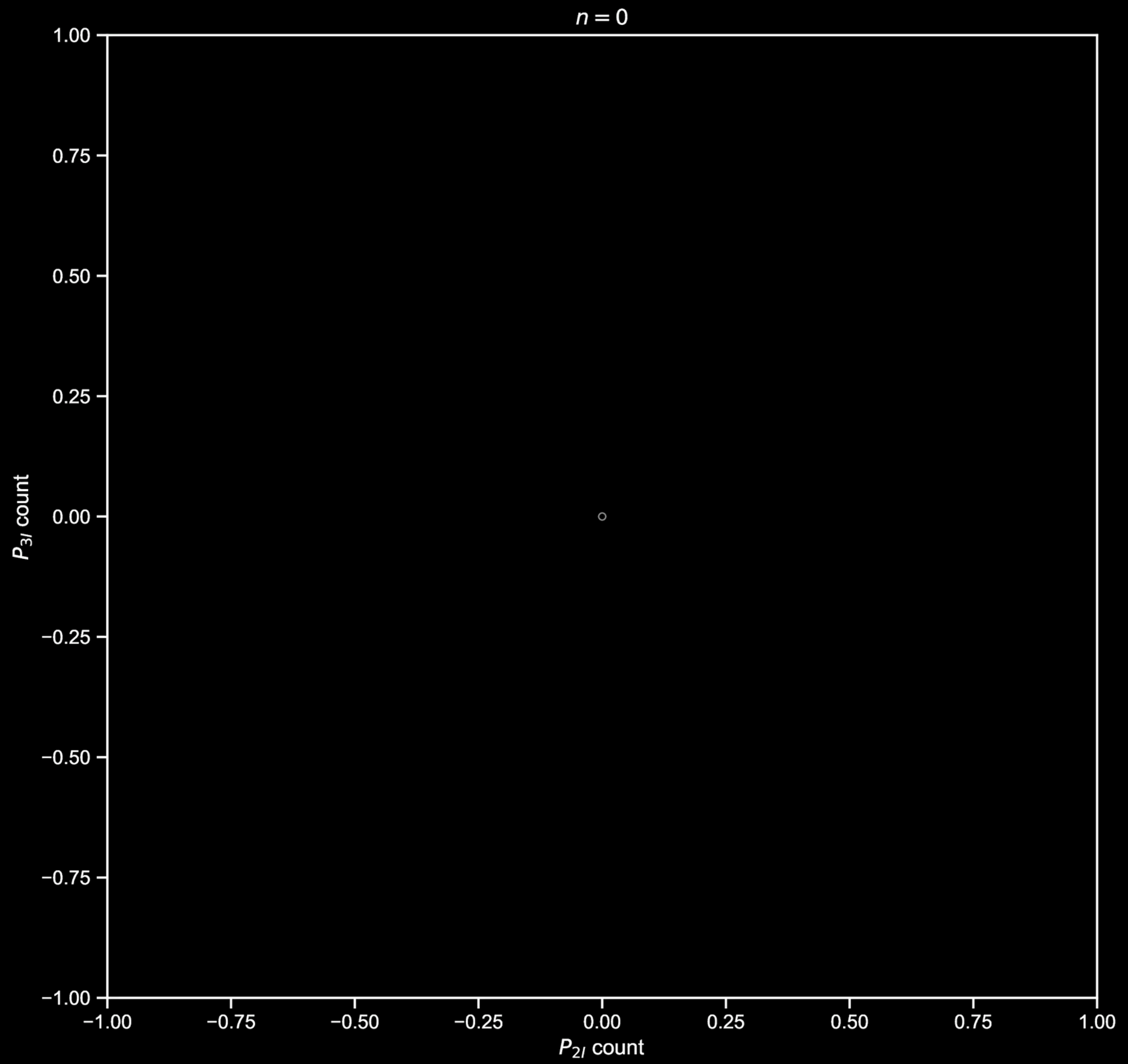
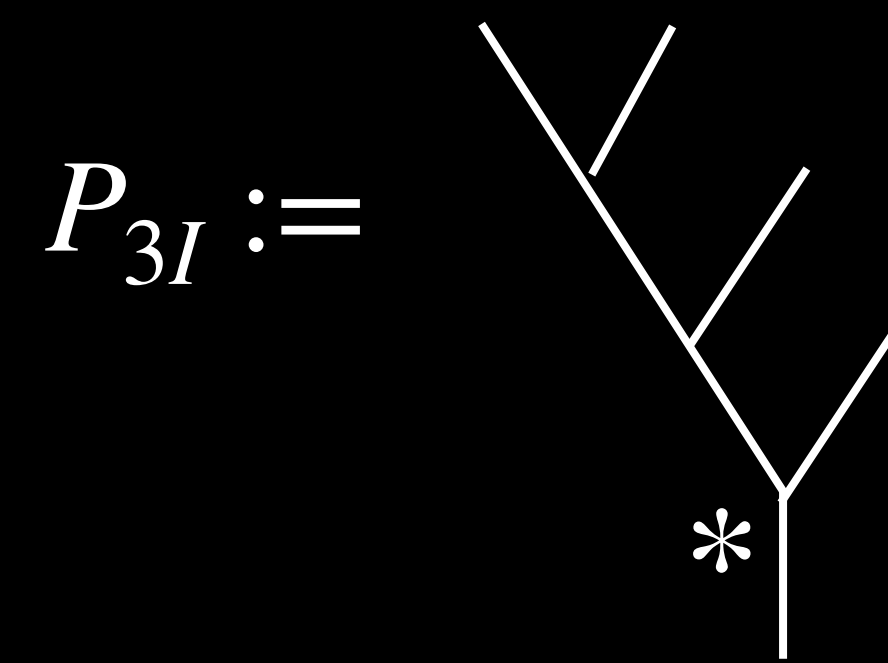
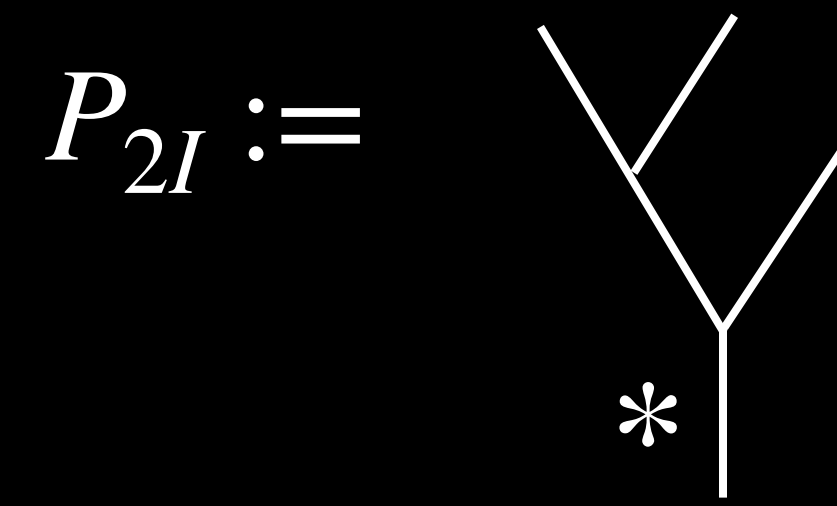


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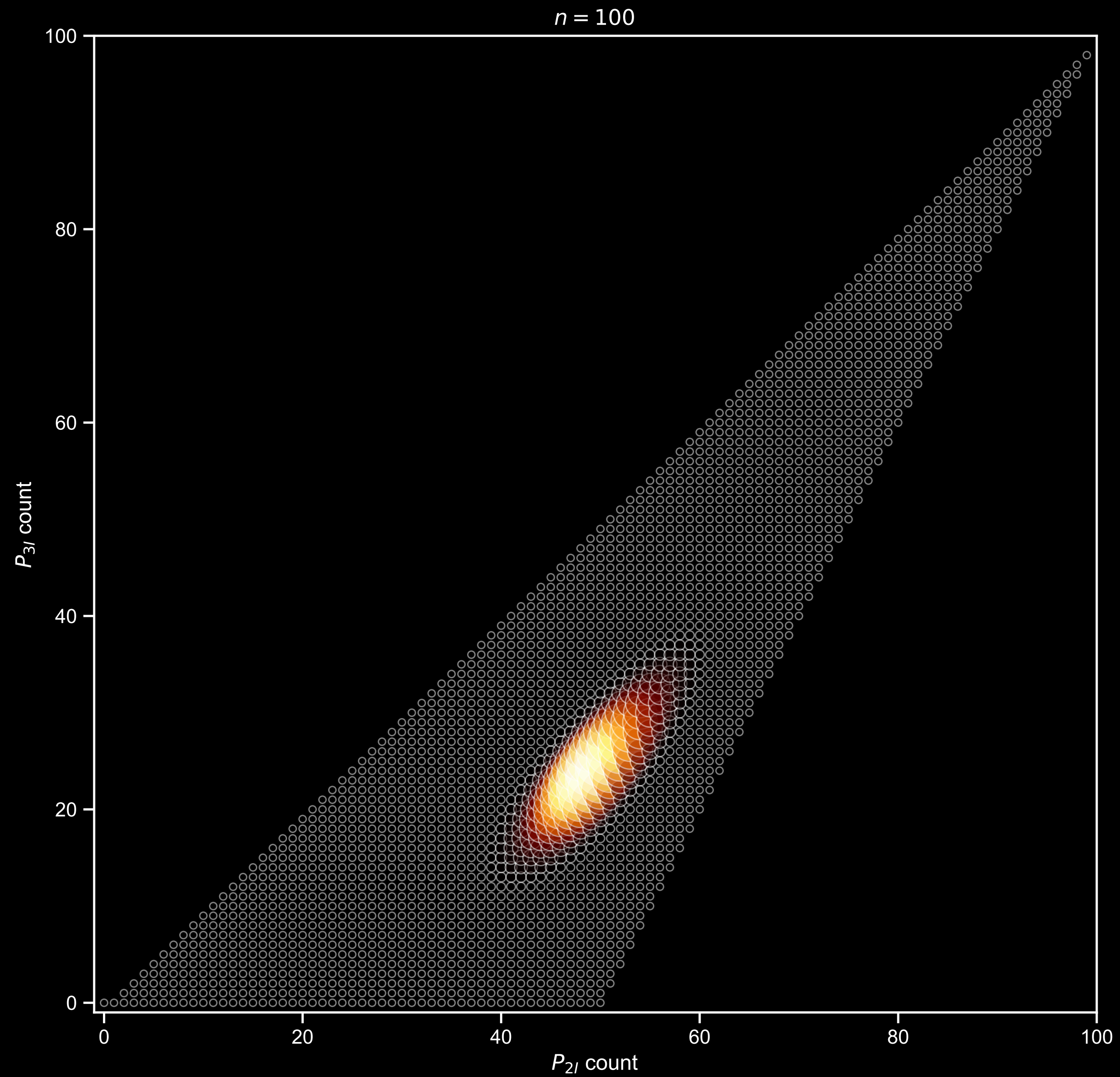
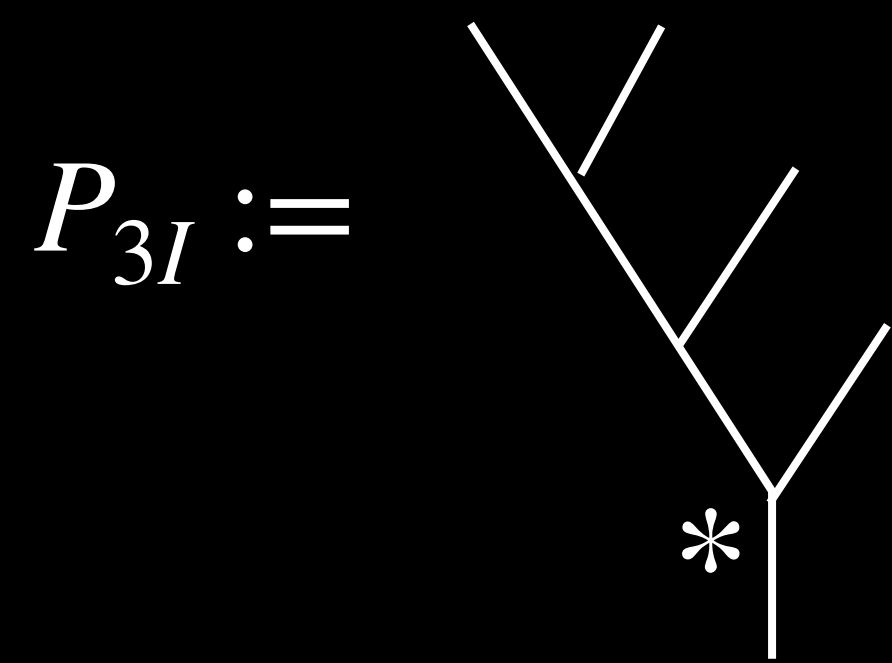
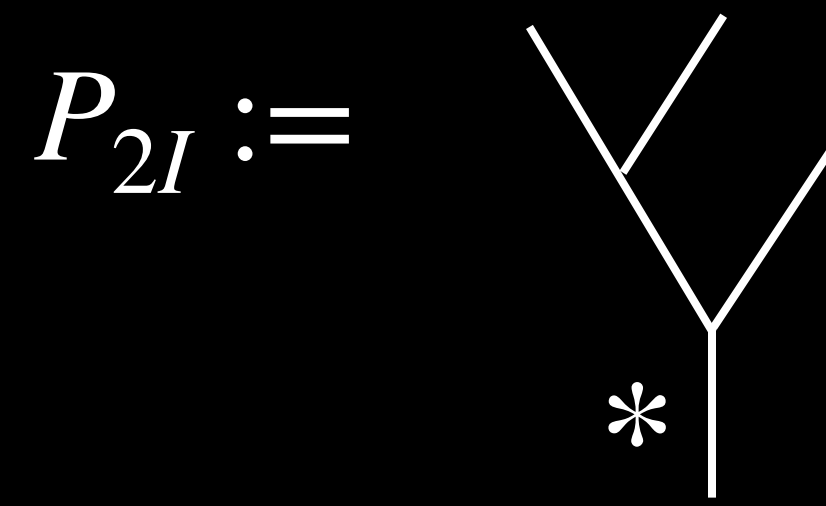


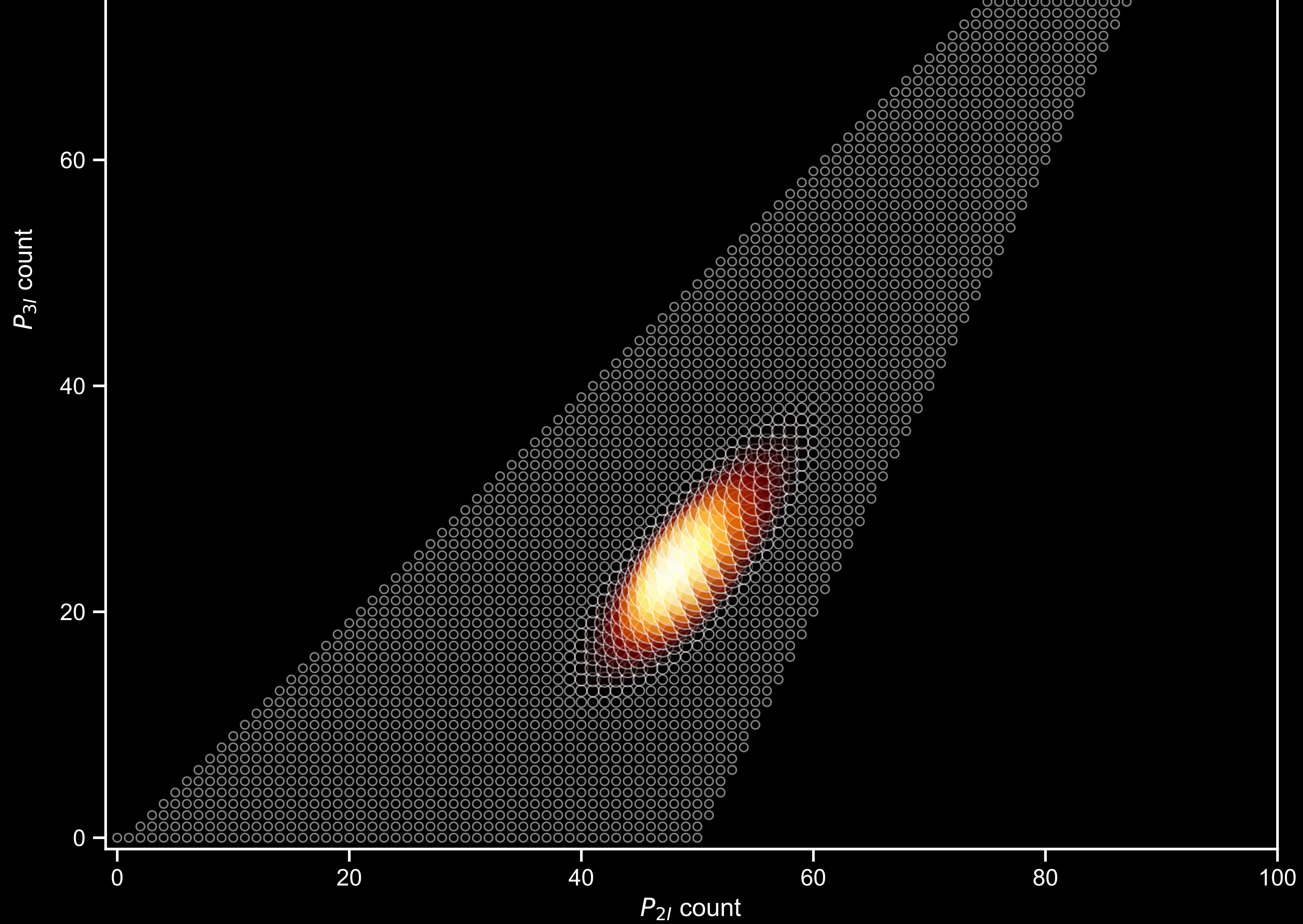
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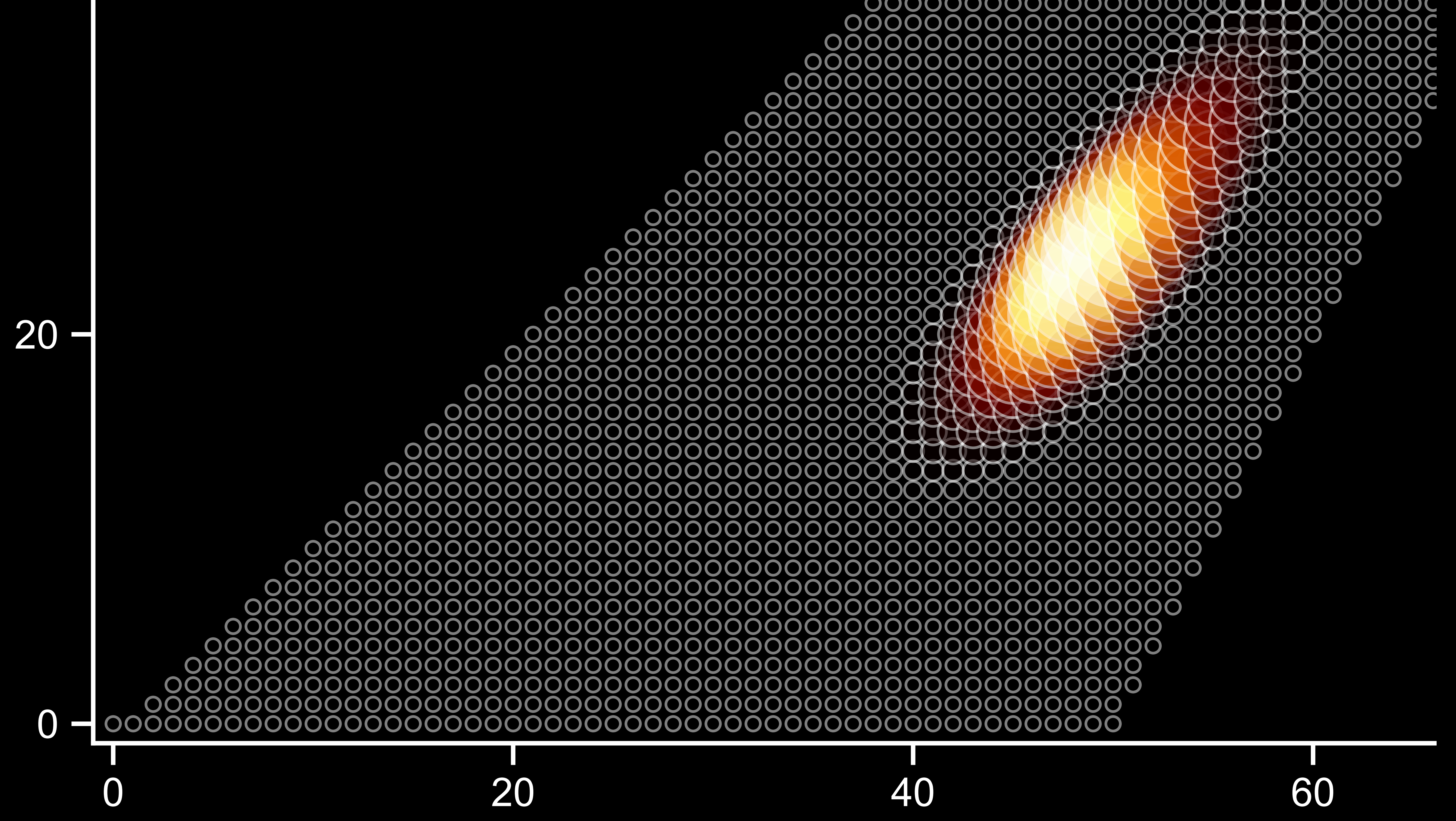




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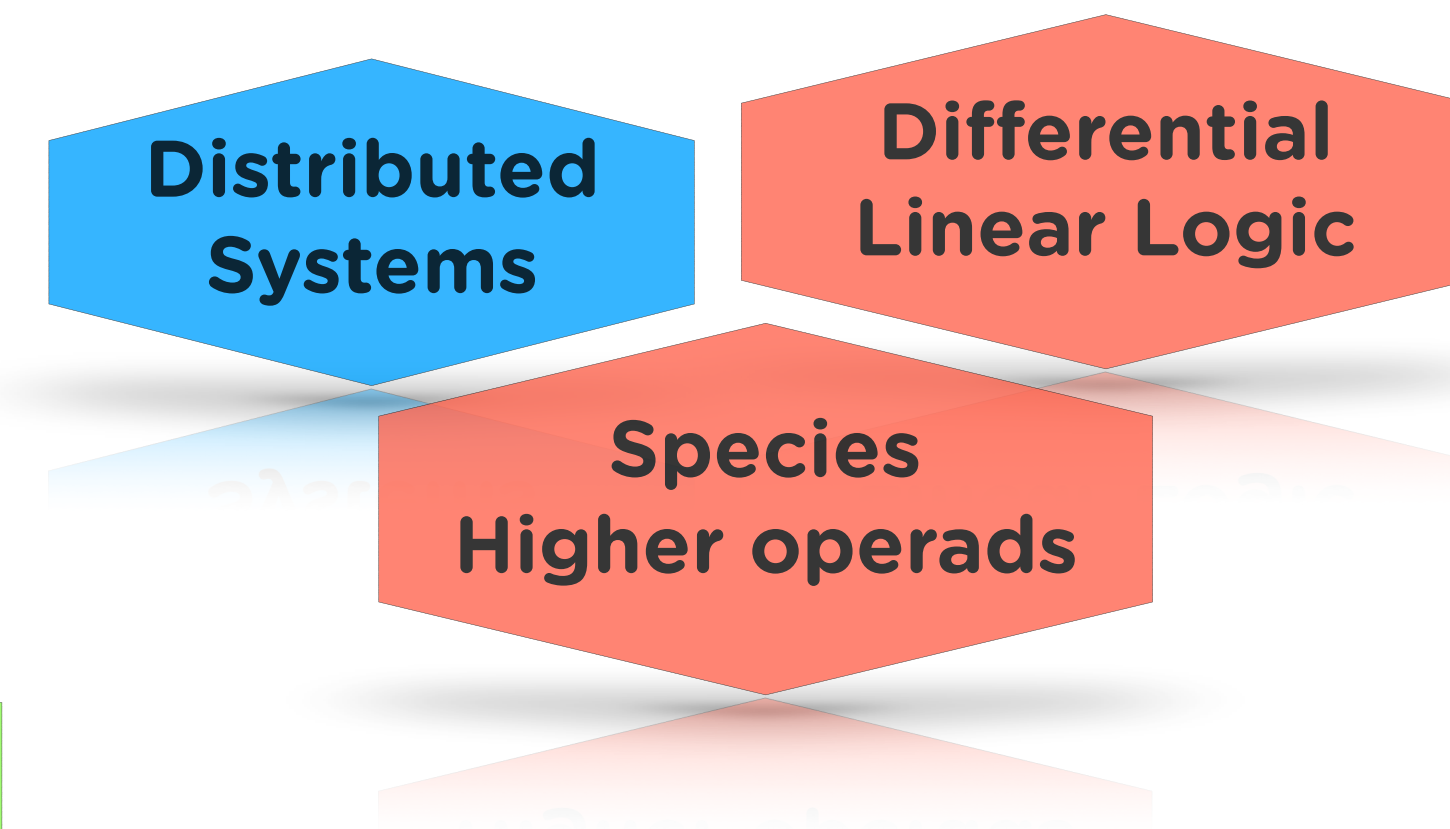
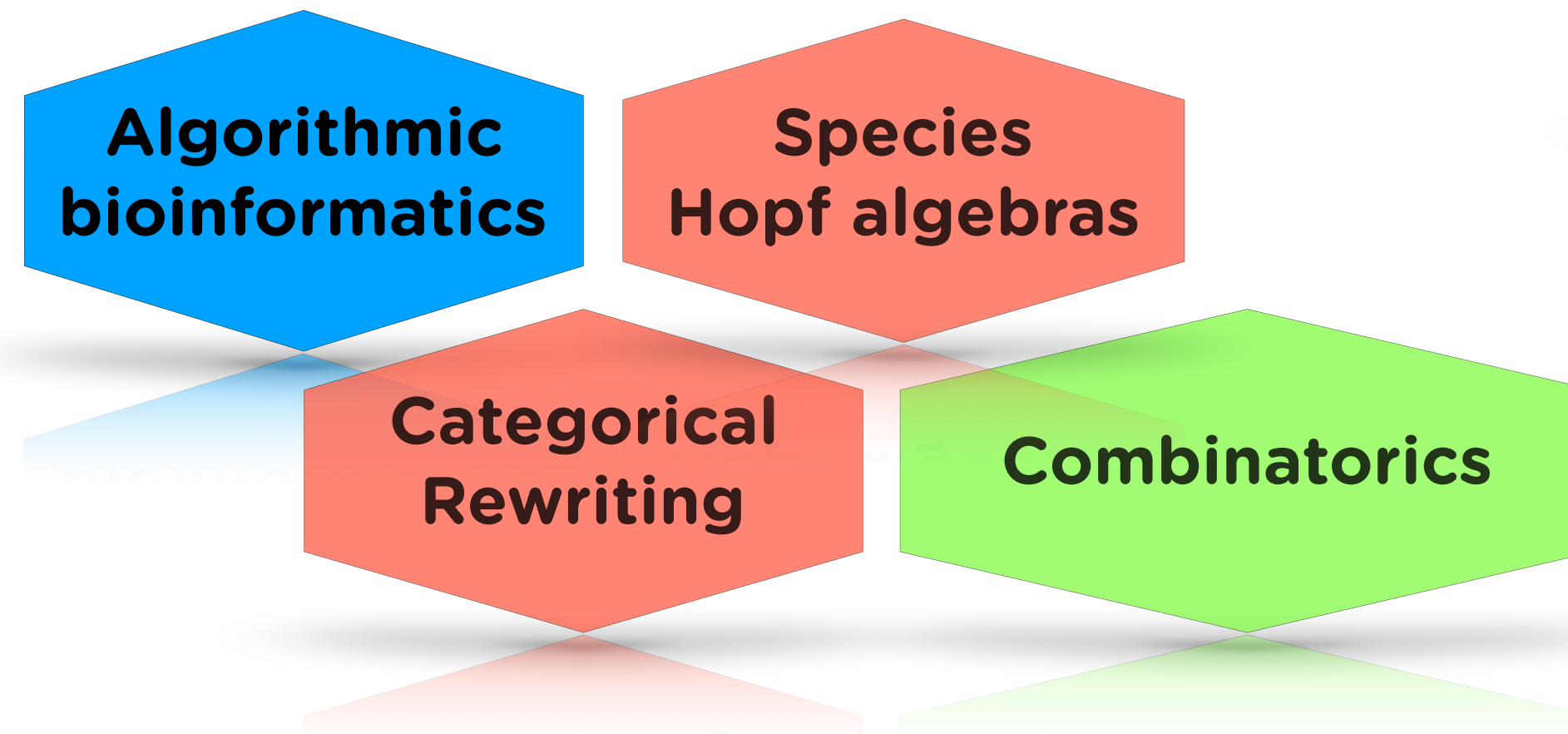




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