

# Relational Algebra Equivalencies

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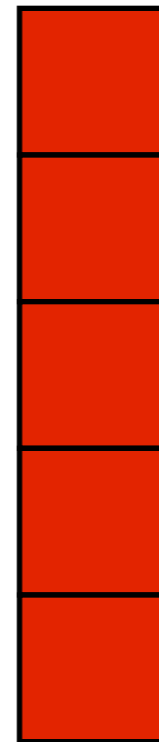
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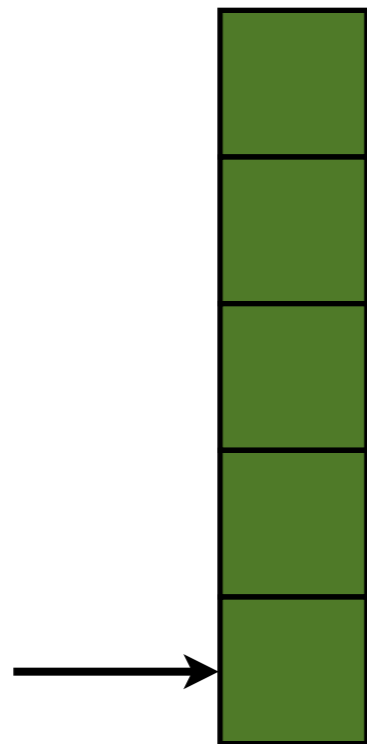


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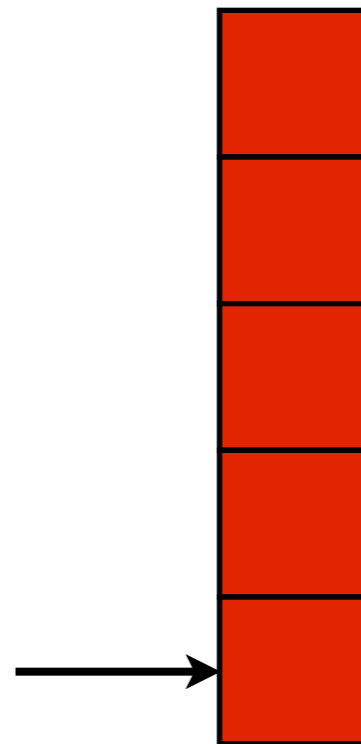
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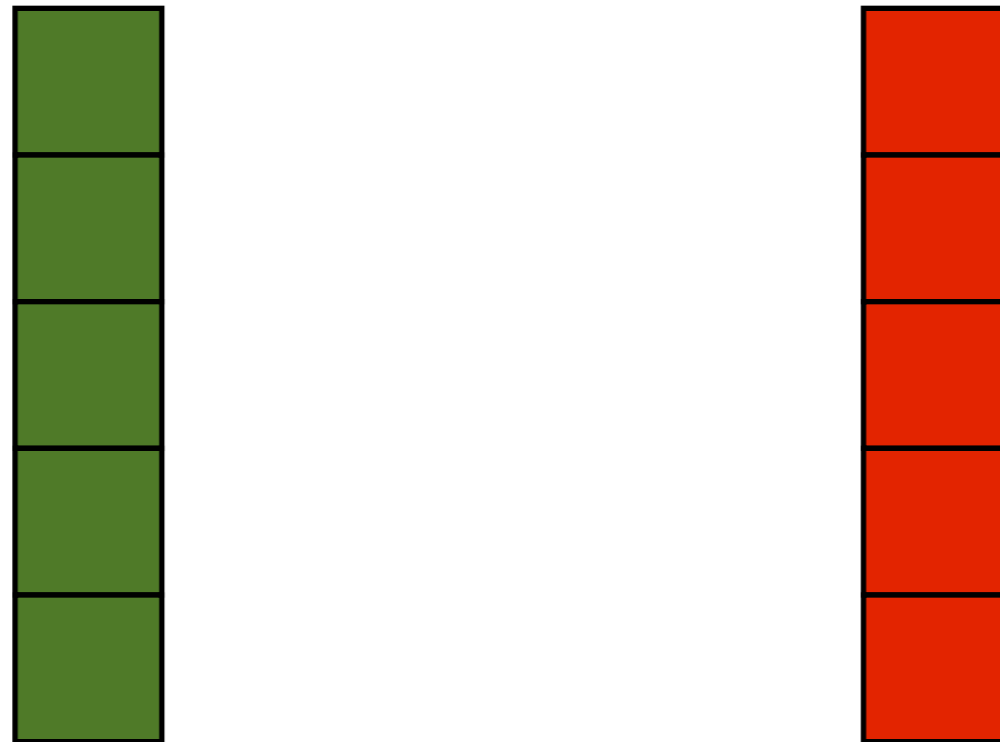
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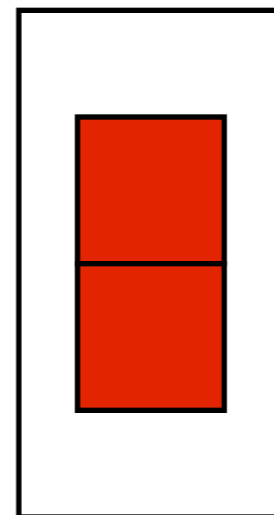
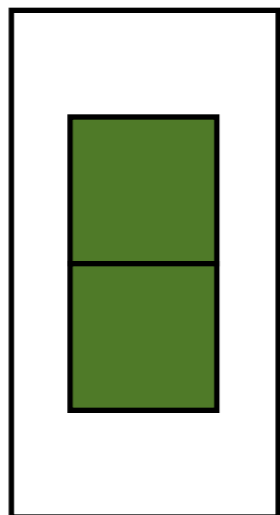
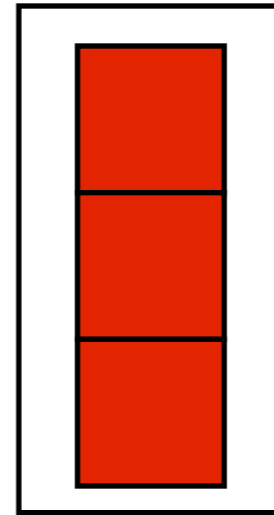
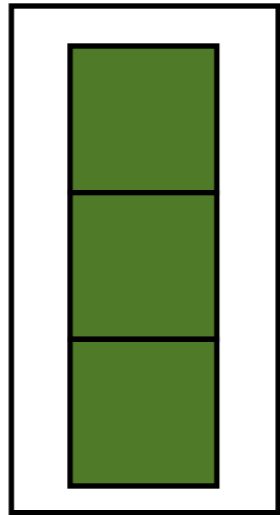
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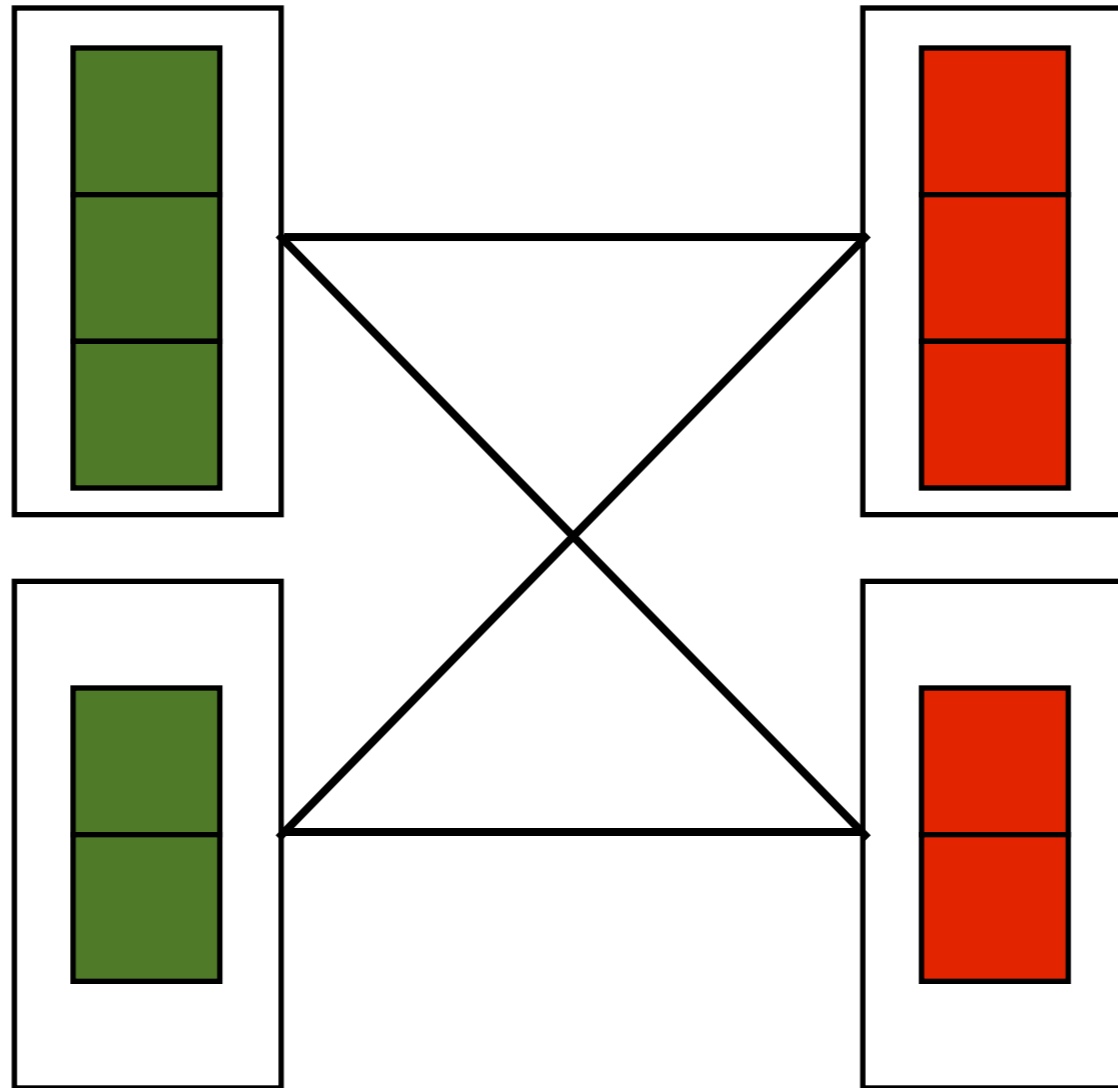


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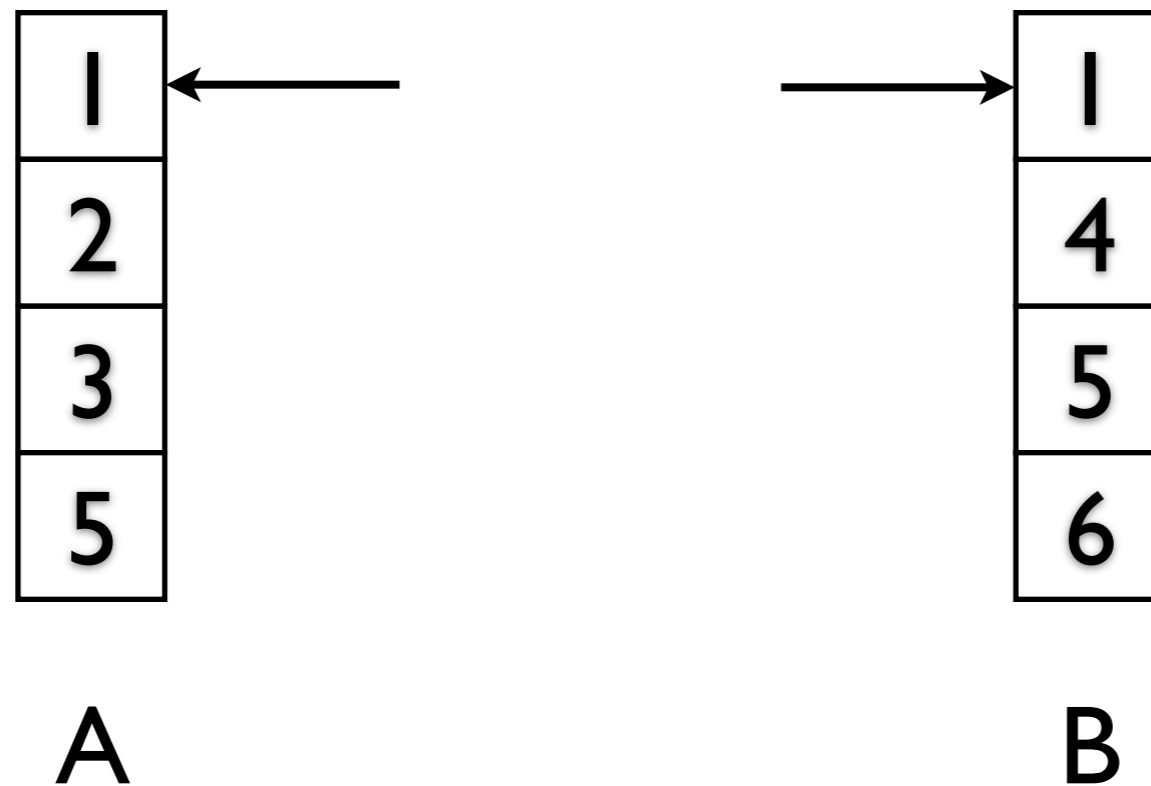
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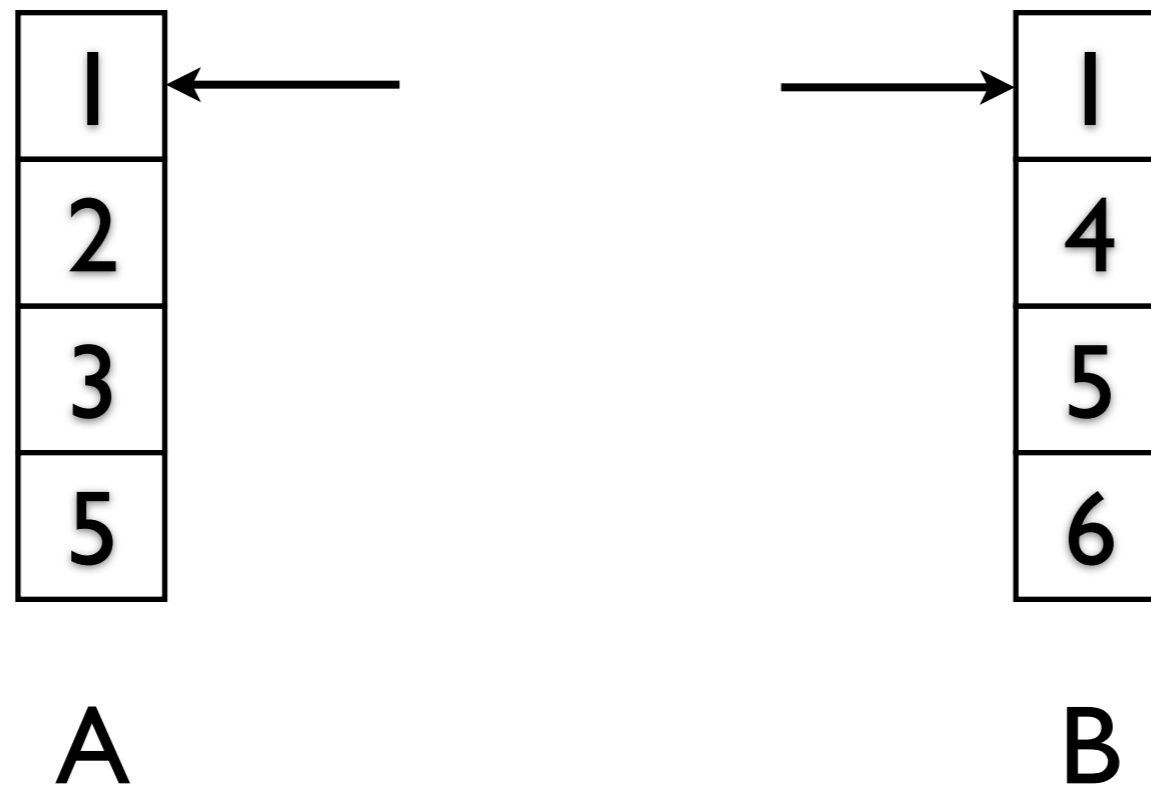


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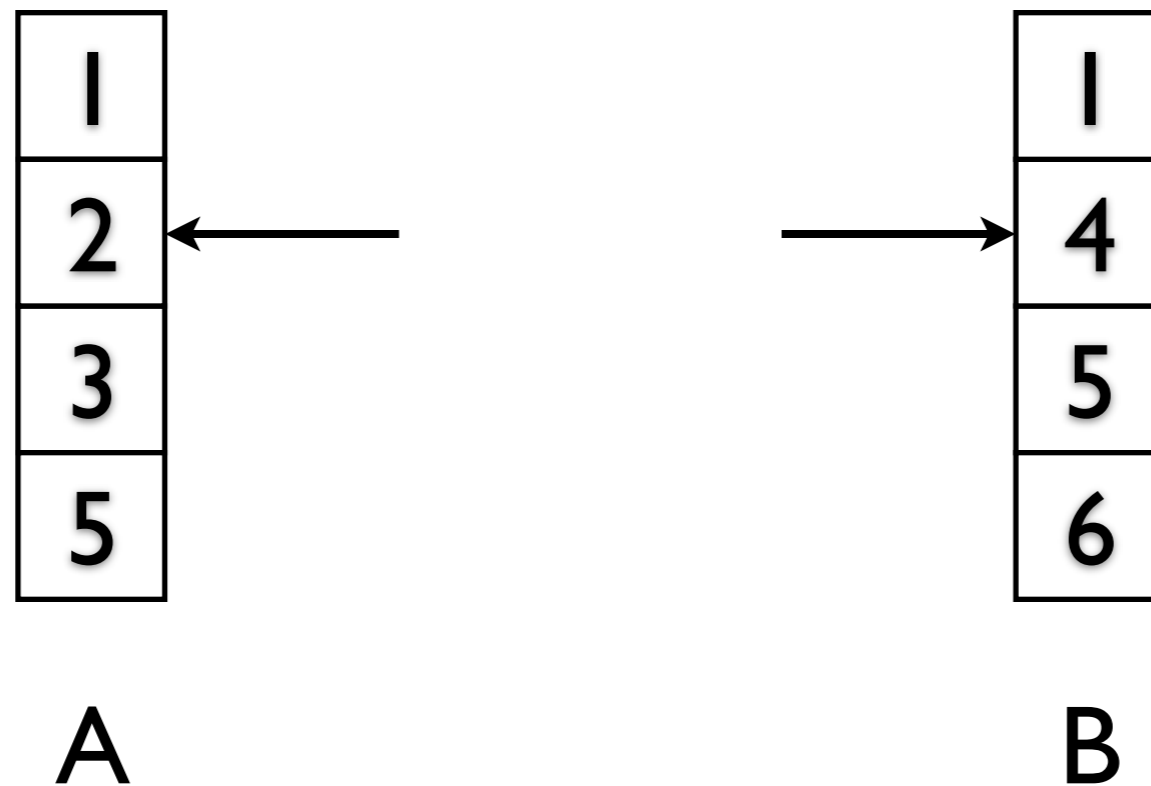


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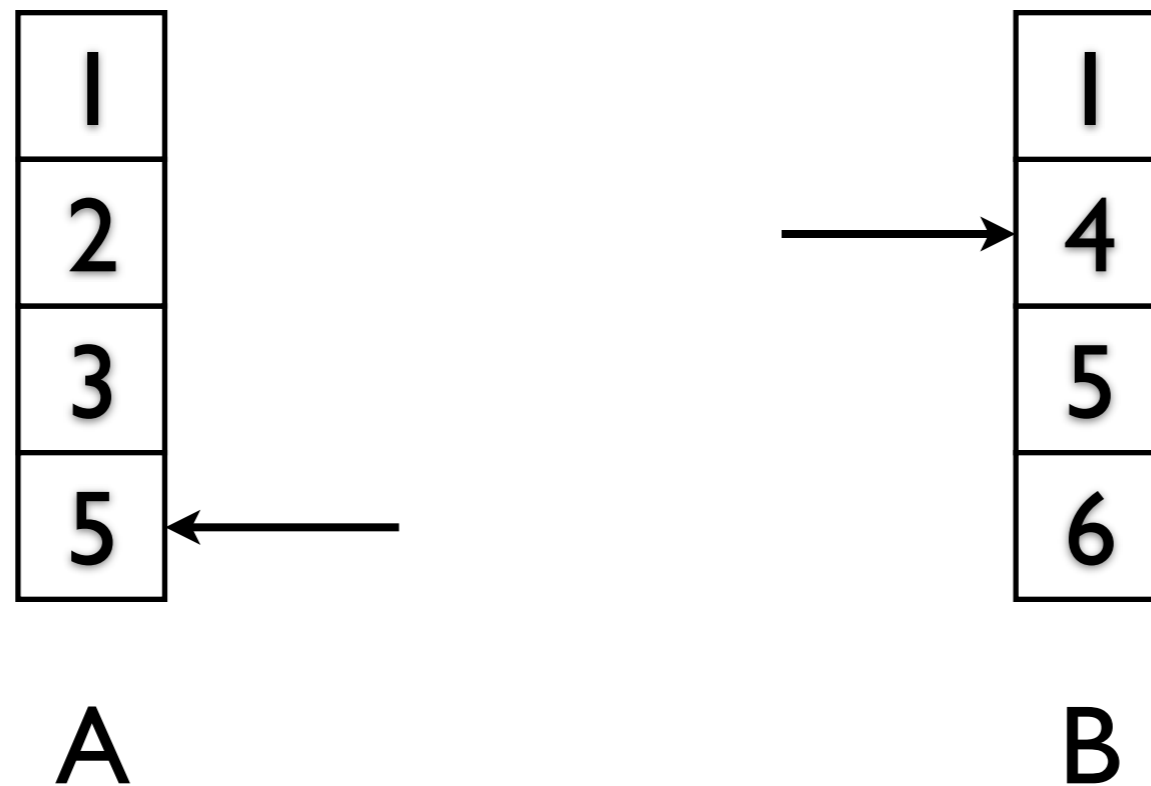


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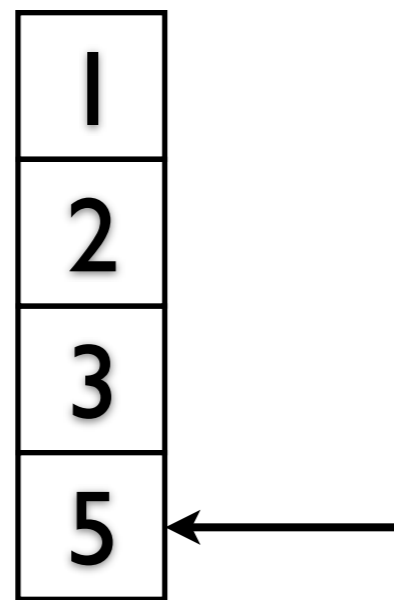


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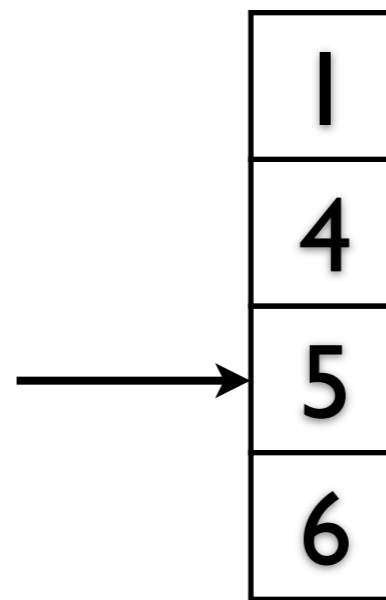
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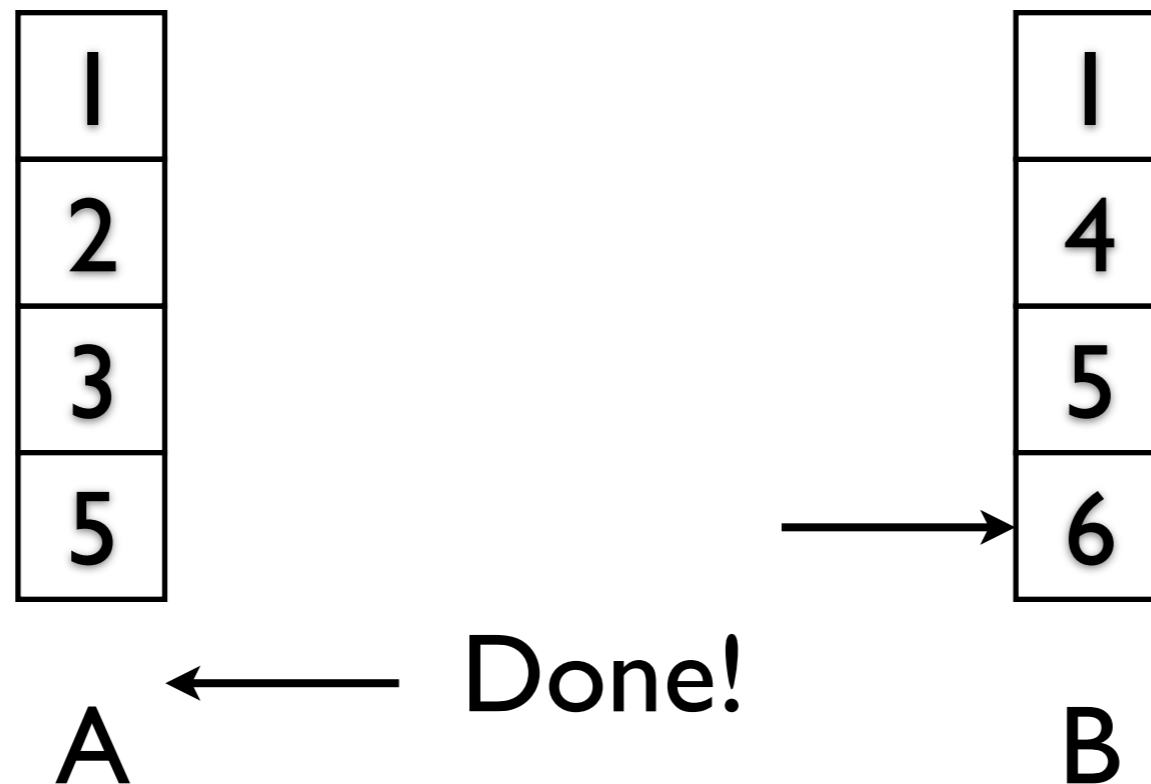
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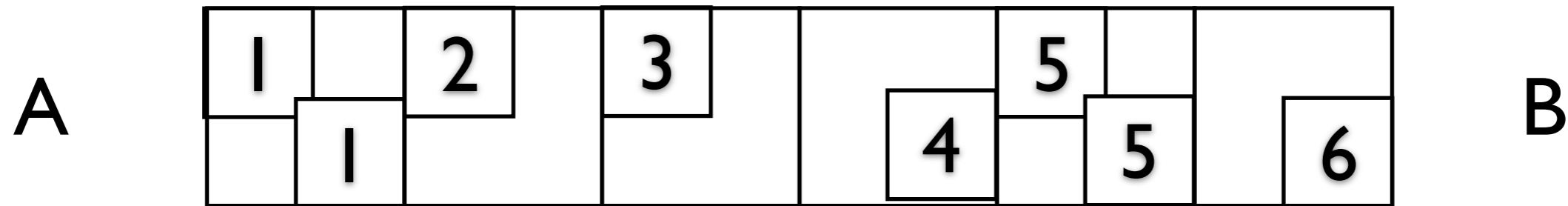
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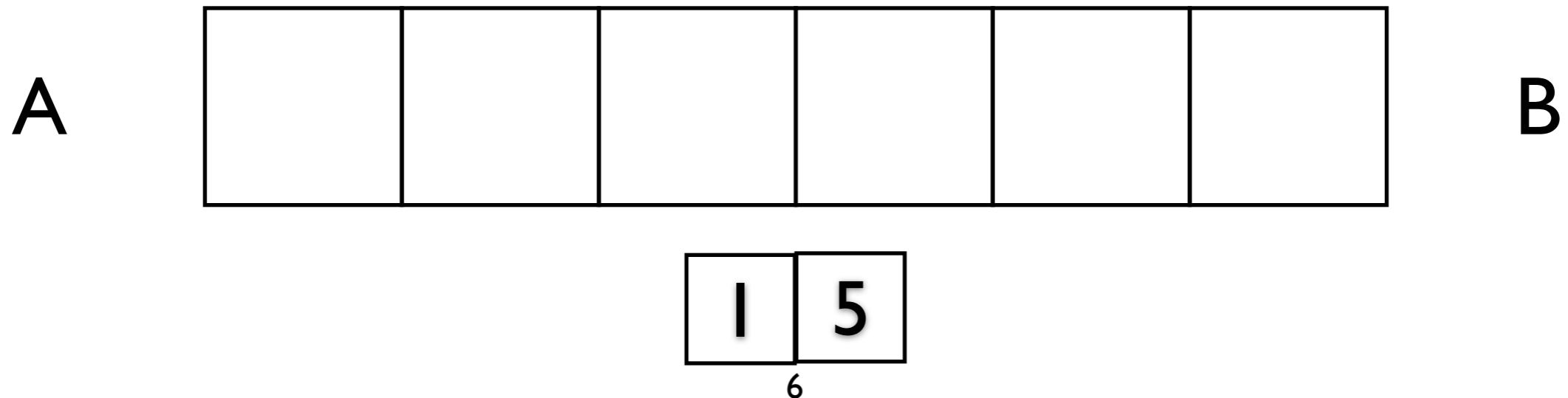
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(subdivide buckets using a different hash fn if needed)



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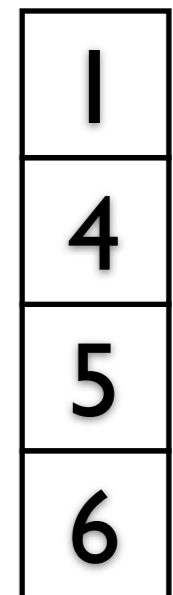
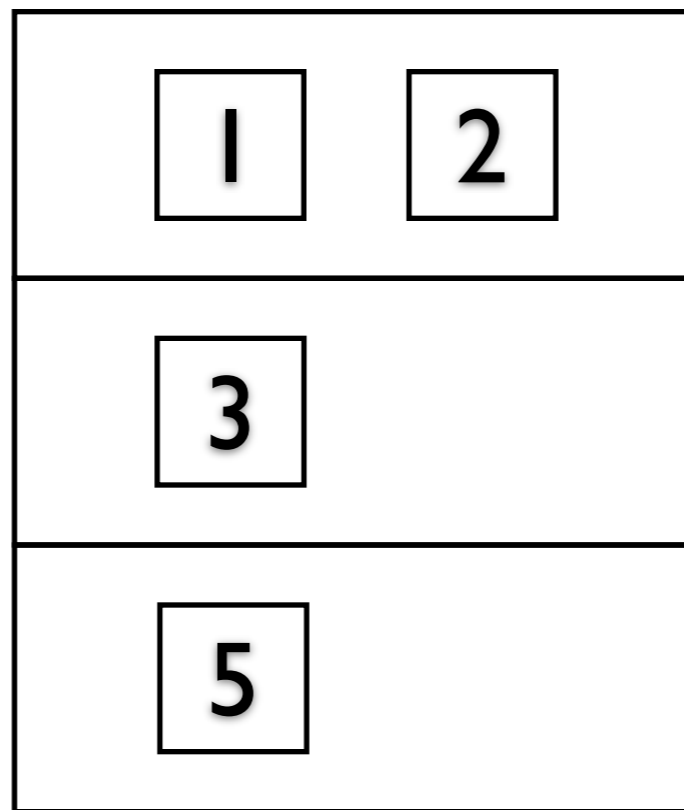


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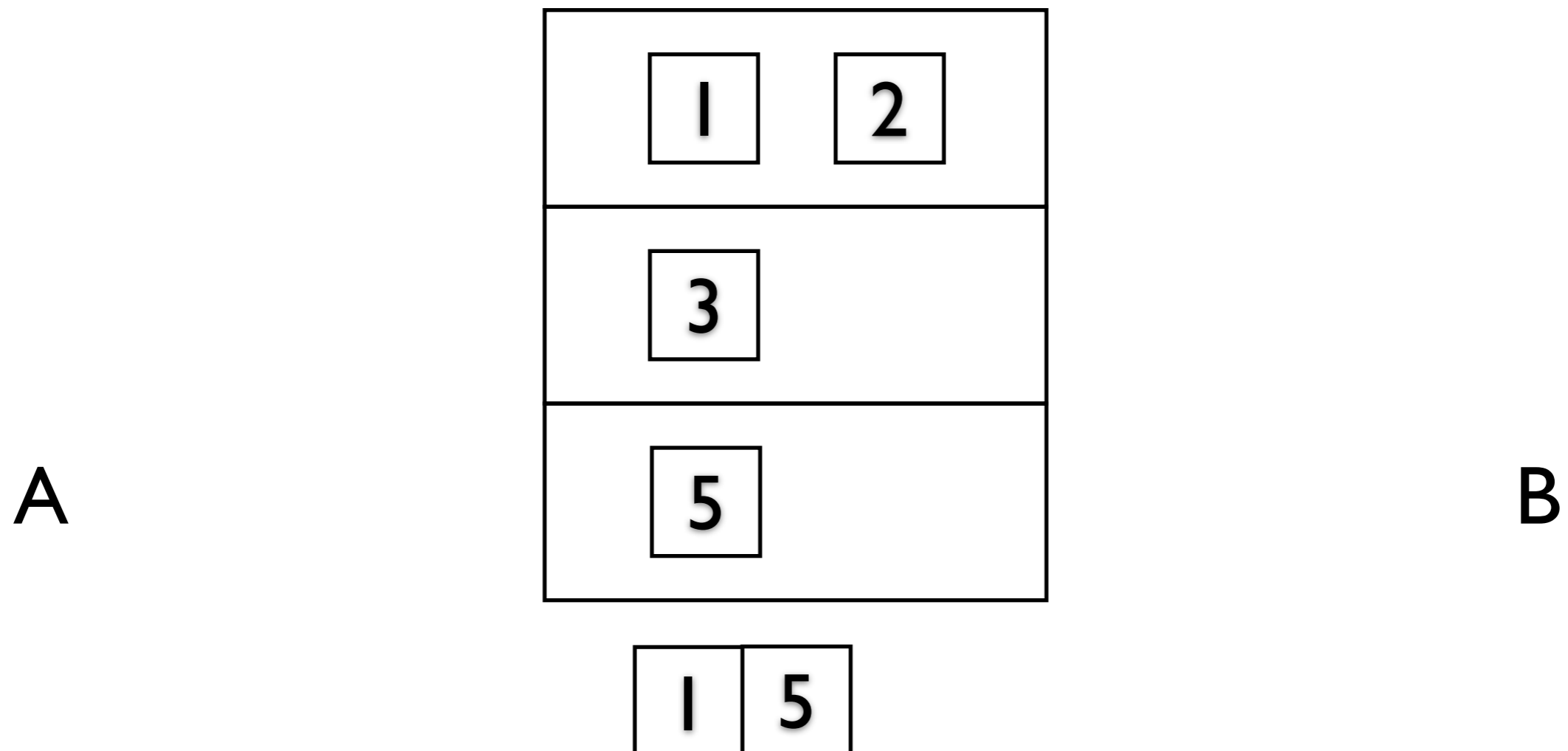
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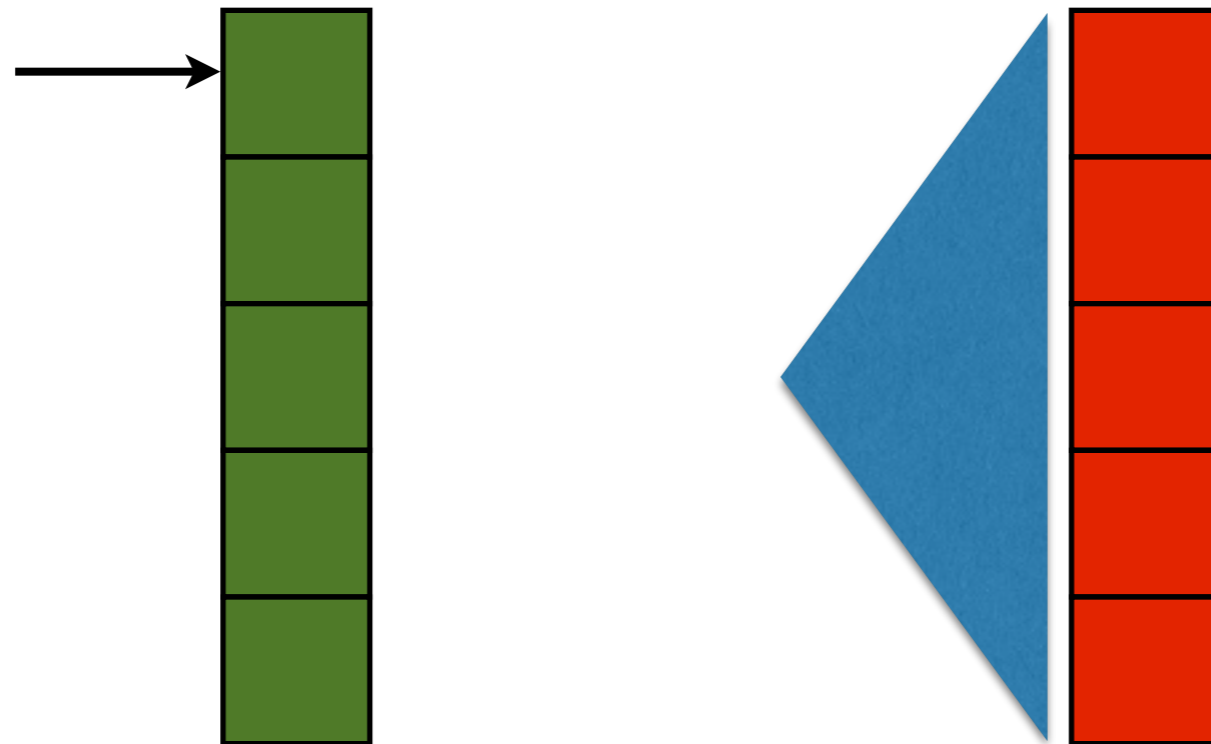


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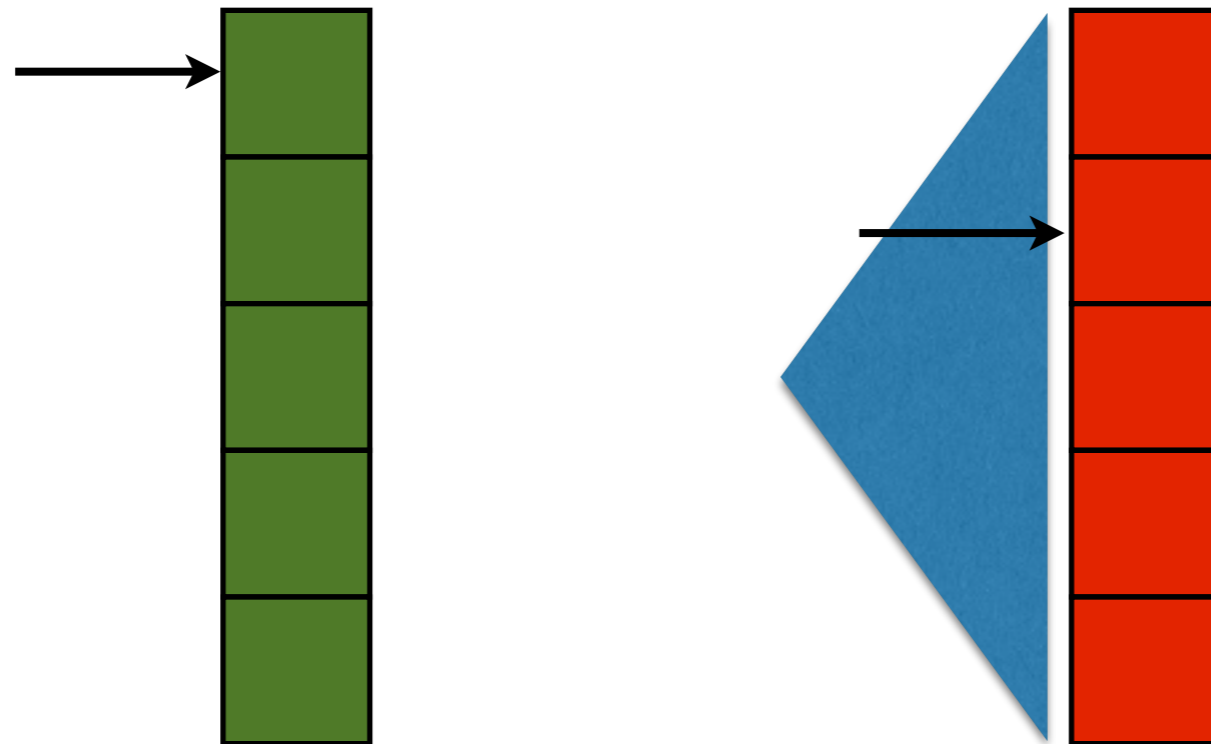
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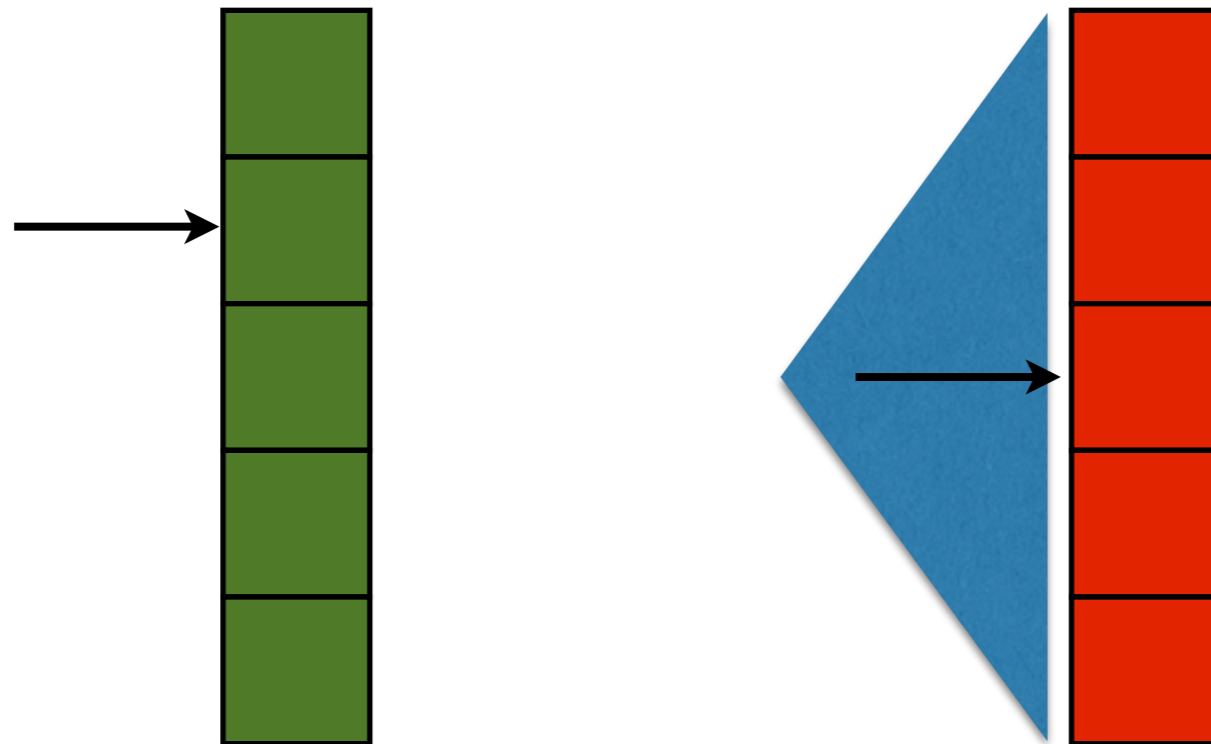
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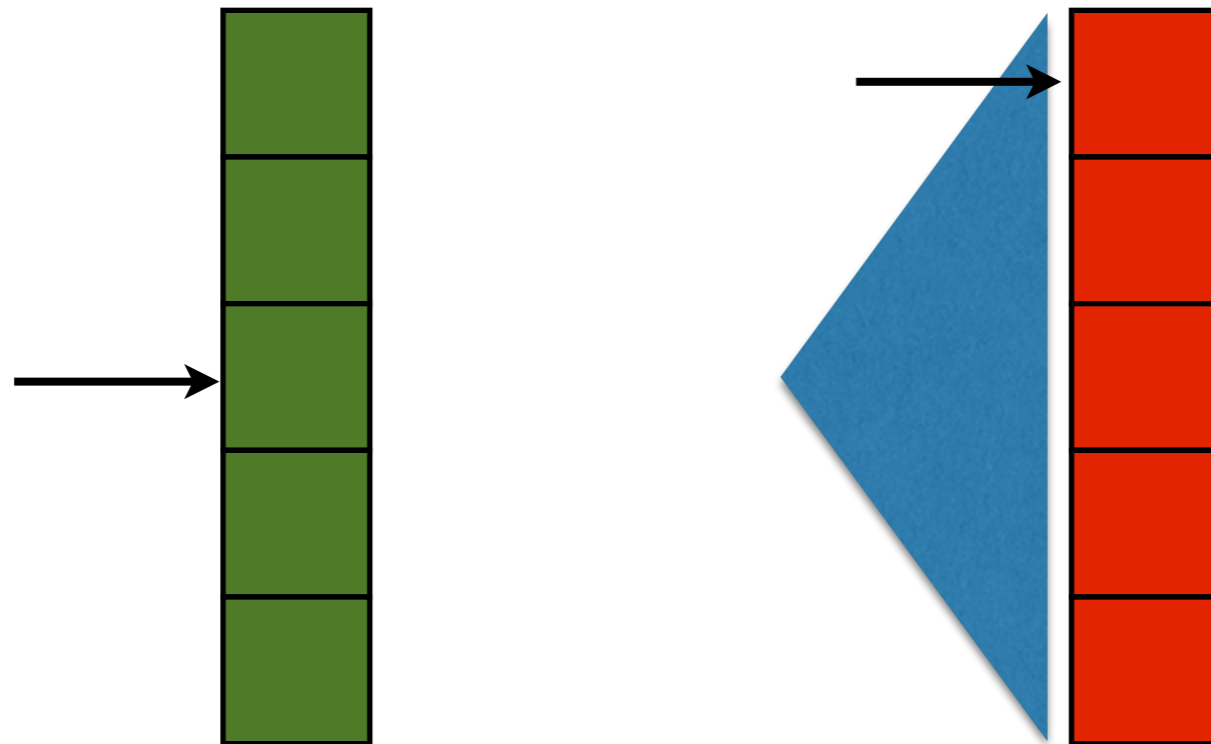
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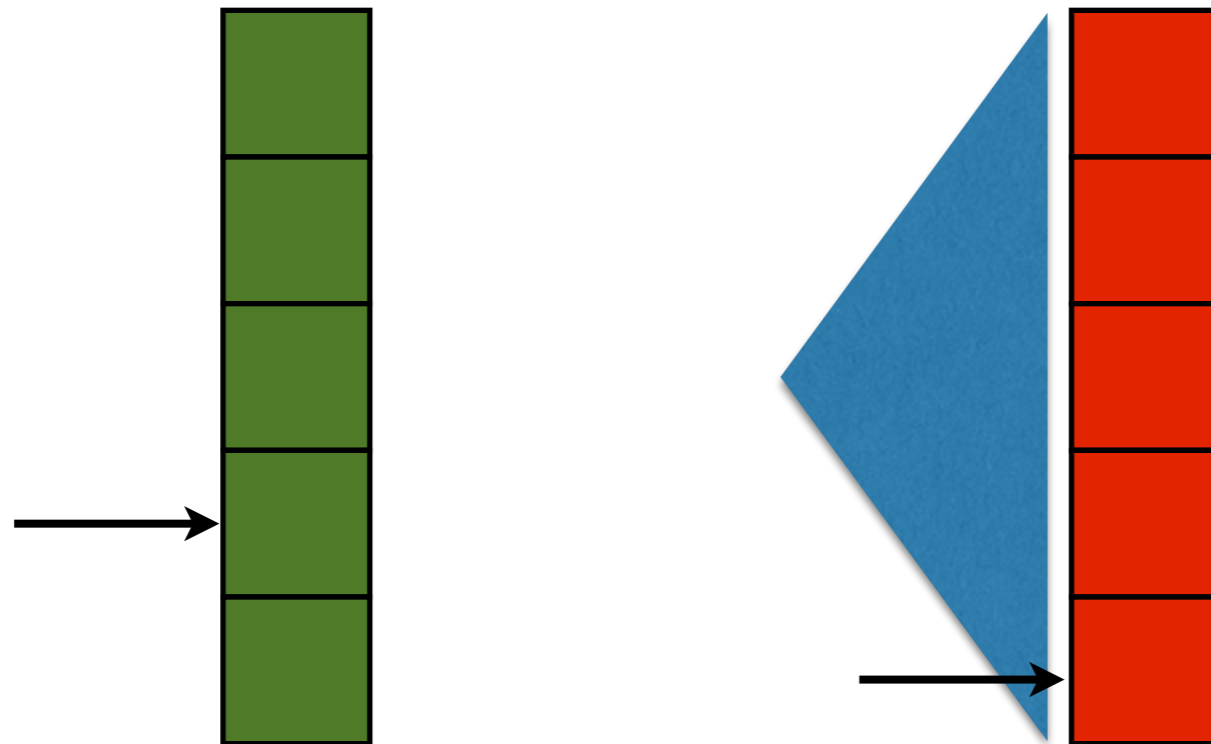
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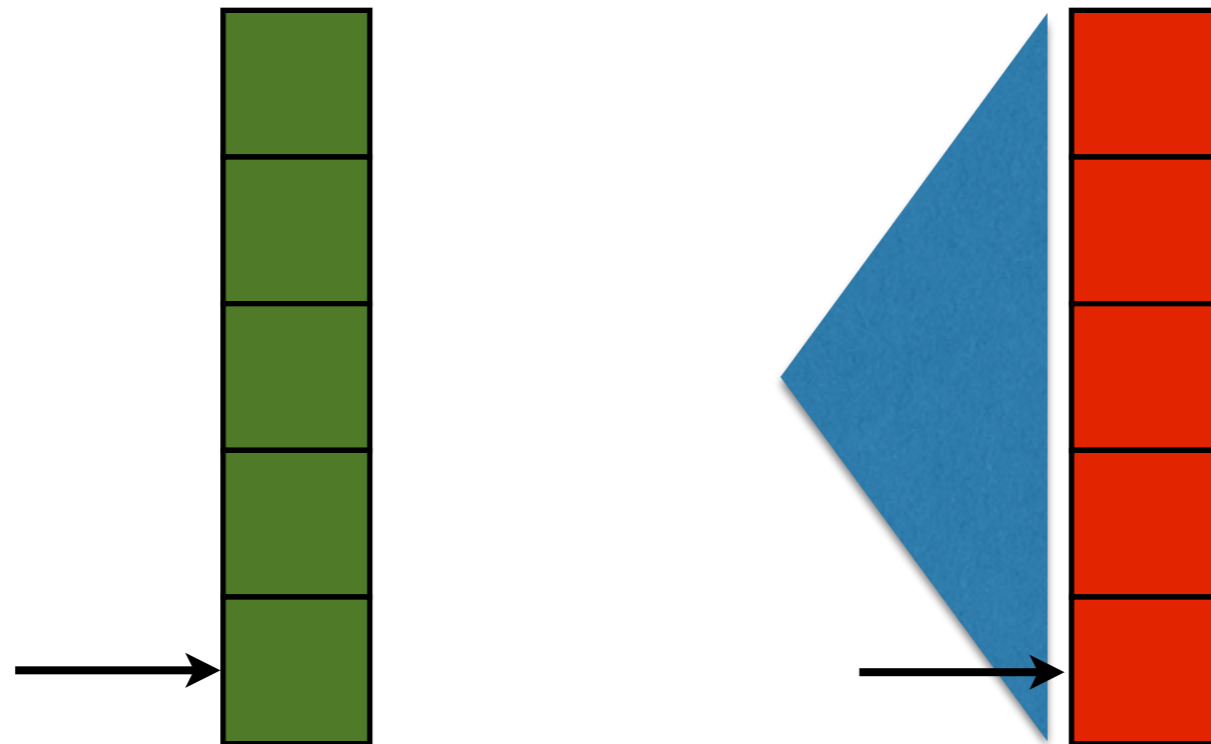
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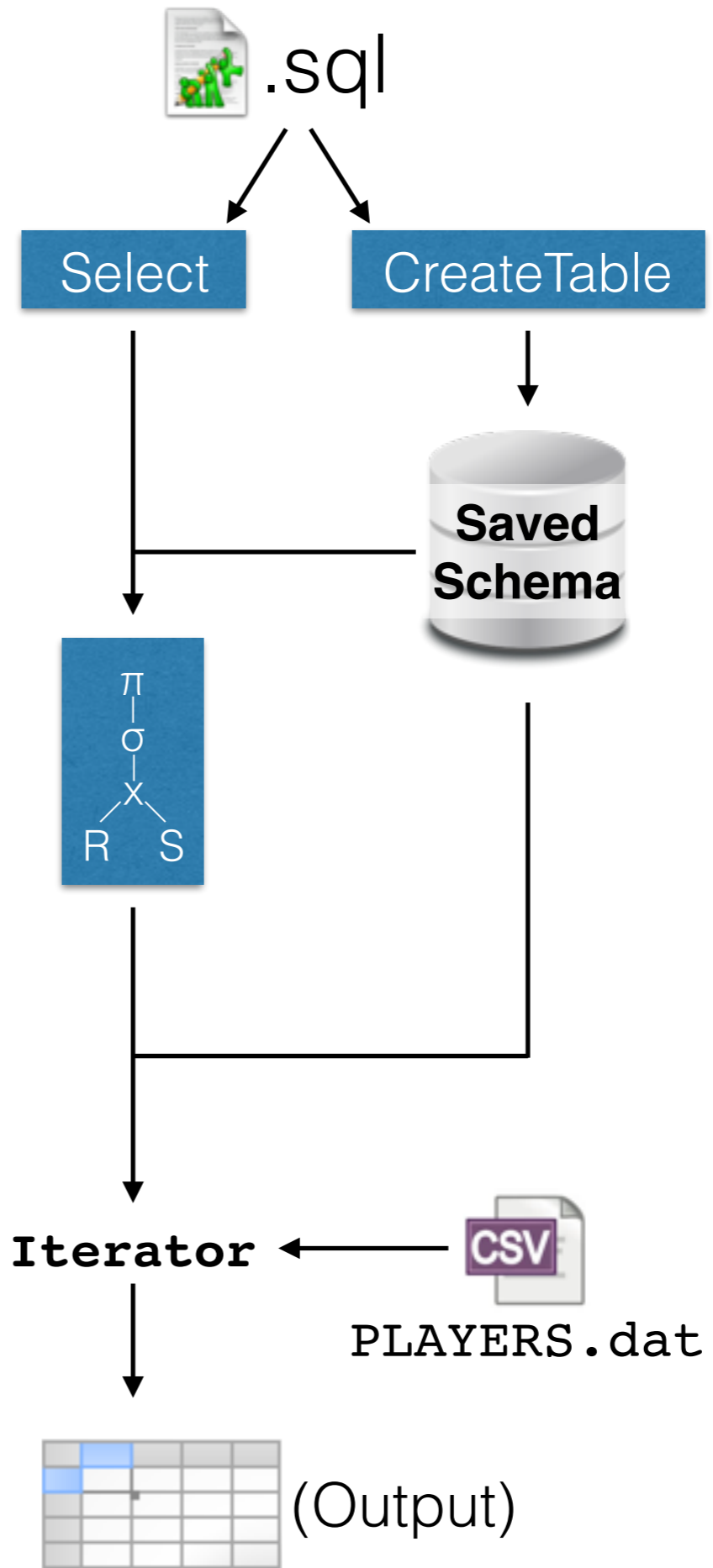
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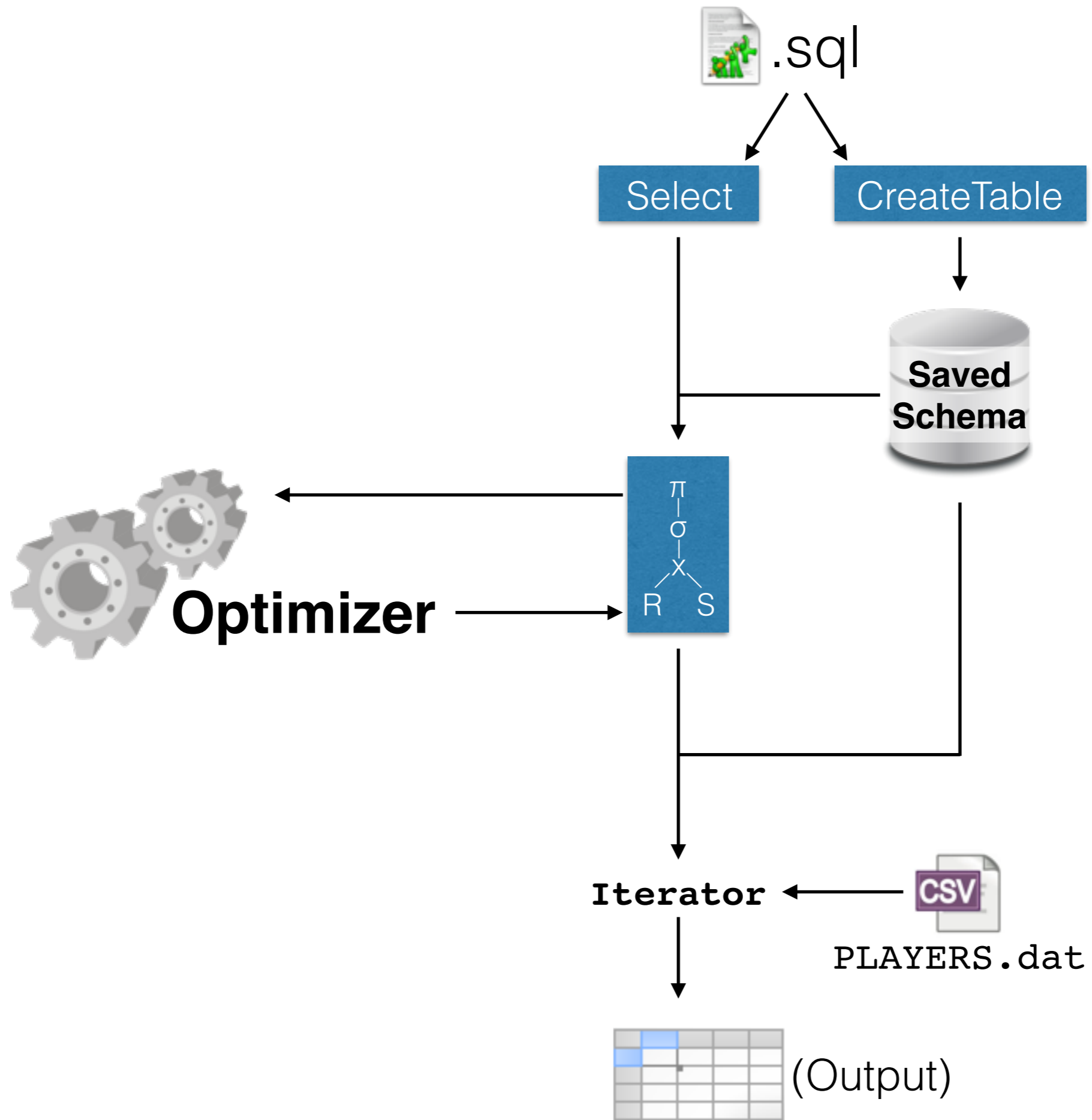
How do the  
algorithms compare?

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## Tradeoffs

	<u>Pipelined?</u>	<u>Memory Requirements?</u>	<u>Predicate Limitation?</u>
Nested Loop	1/2	1 Table	No
Block-Nested Loop	No	2 'Blocks'	No
Index-Nested Loop	1/2	1 Tuple (+Index)	Single Comparison
Sort-Merge	If Data Sorted	Same as reqs. of Sorting Inputs	Equality Only
Hash	No	Max of 1 Page per Bucket and All Pages in Any Bucket	Equality Only
Grace Hash	1/2	Hash Table	Equality Only





# Equivalent Expressions

They look the same, but one is good, one is evil



$\neq$



$=$



Two different expressions of the "same" character

# Query Optimization

If X and Y are equivalent and Y is better...

... then replace all Xs with Ys

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$$\sigma_{c_1}(\sigma_{c_2}(R)) \equiv \sigma_{c_2}(\sigma_{c_1}(R)) \quad (\text{Commutative})$$

## Projection

$$\pi_a(R) \equiv \pi_a(\pi_{a \cup b}(R)) \quad (\text{Idempotent})$$

## Cross Product (and Join)

$$R \times (S \times T) \equiv (R \times S) \times T \quad (\text{Associative})$$

$$(R \times S) \equiv (S \times R) \quad (\text{Commutative})$$

**Try It:** Show that  $R \times (S \times T) \equiv T \times (R \times S)$



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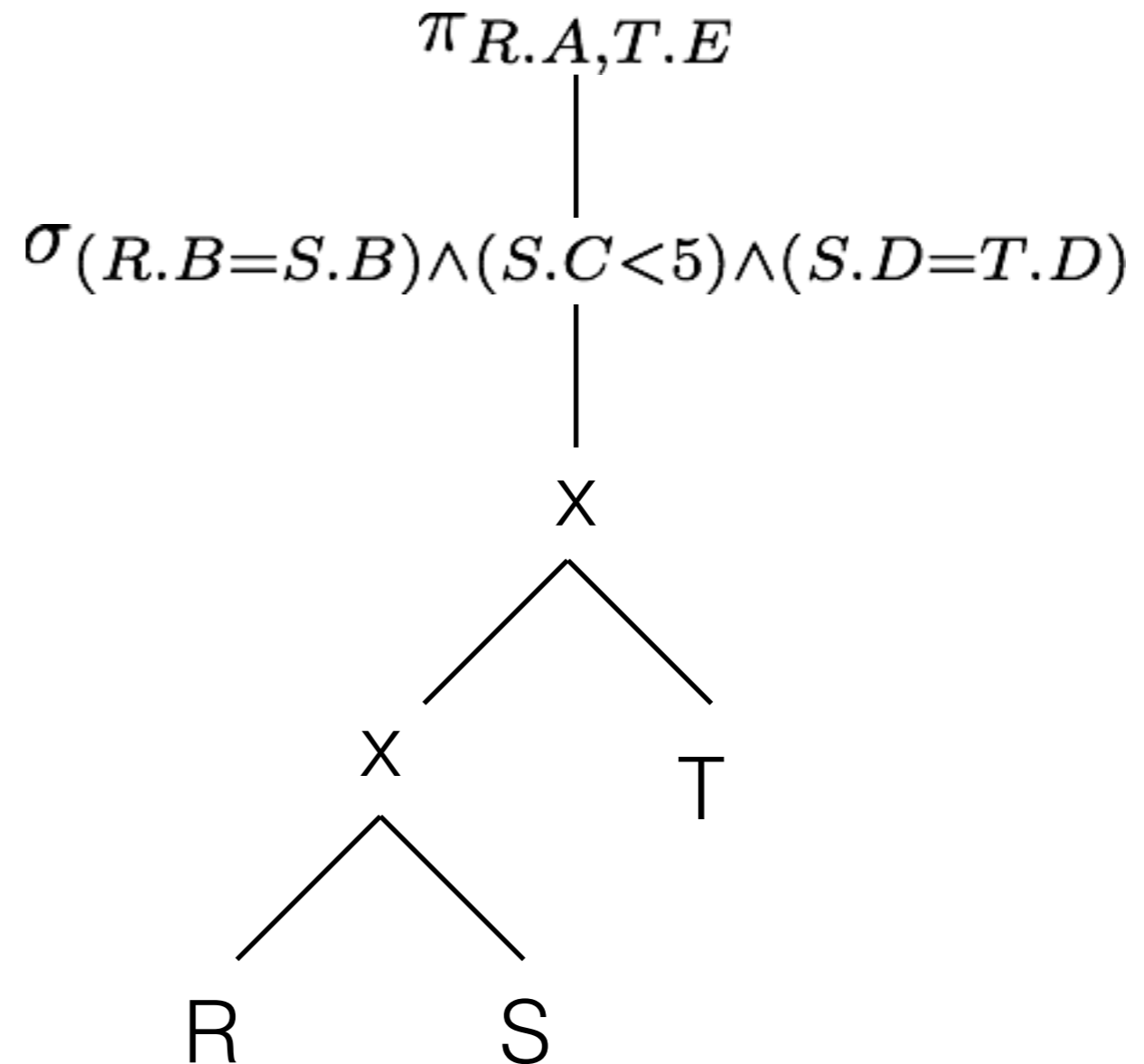
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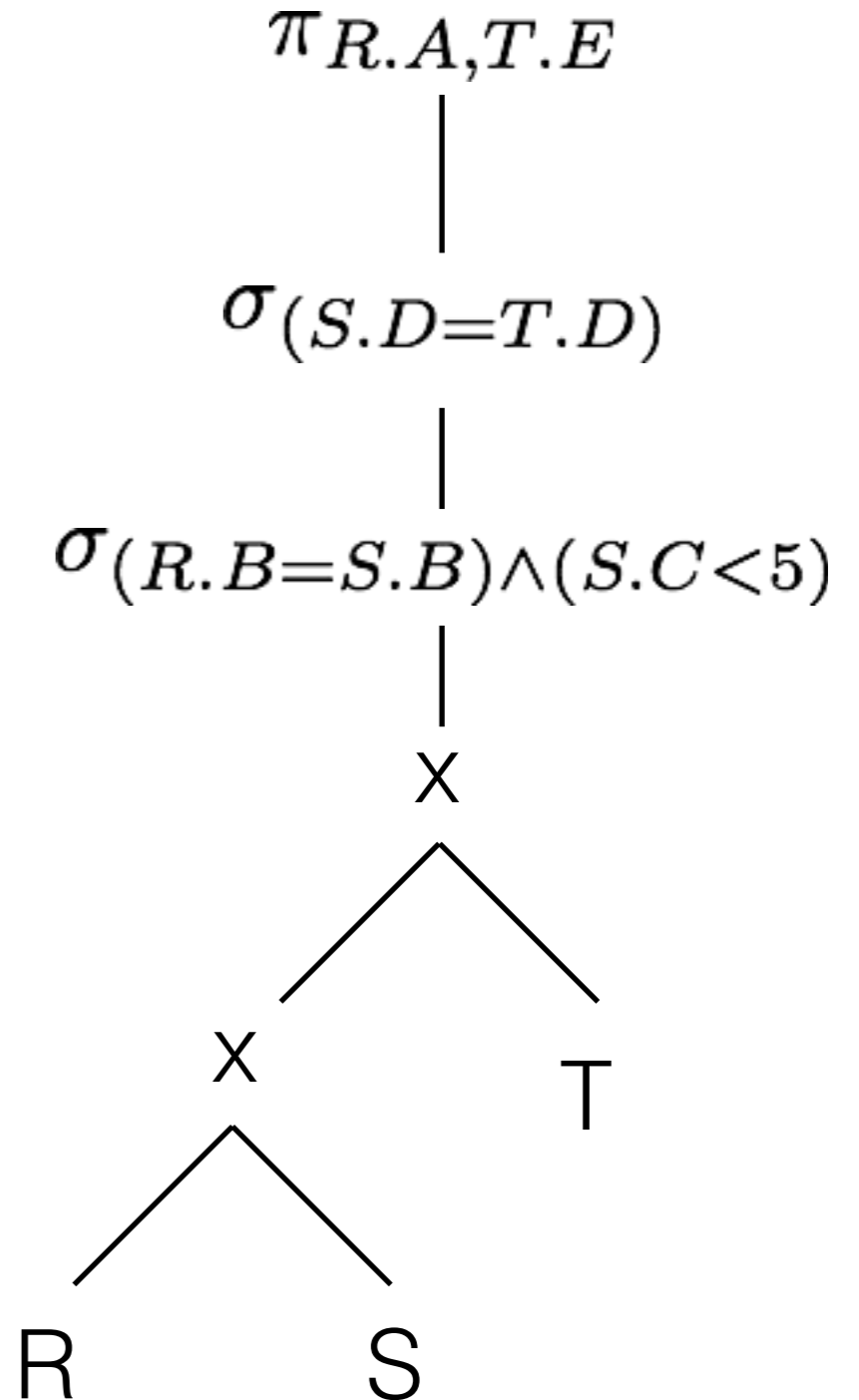
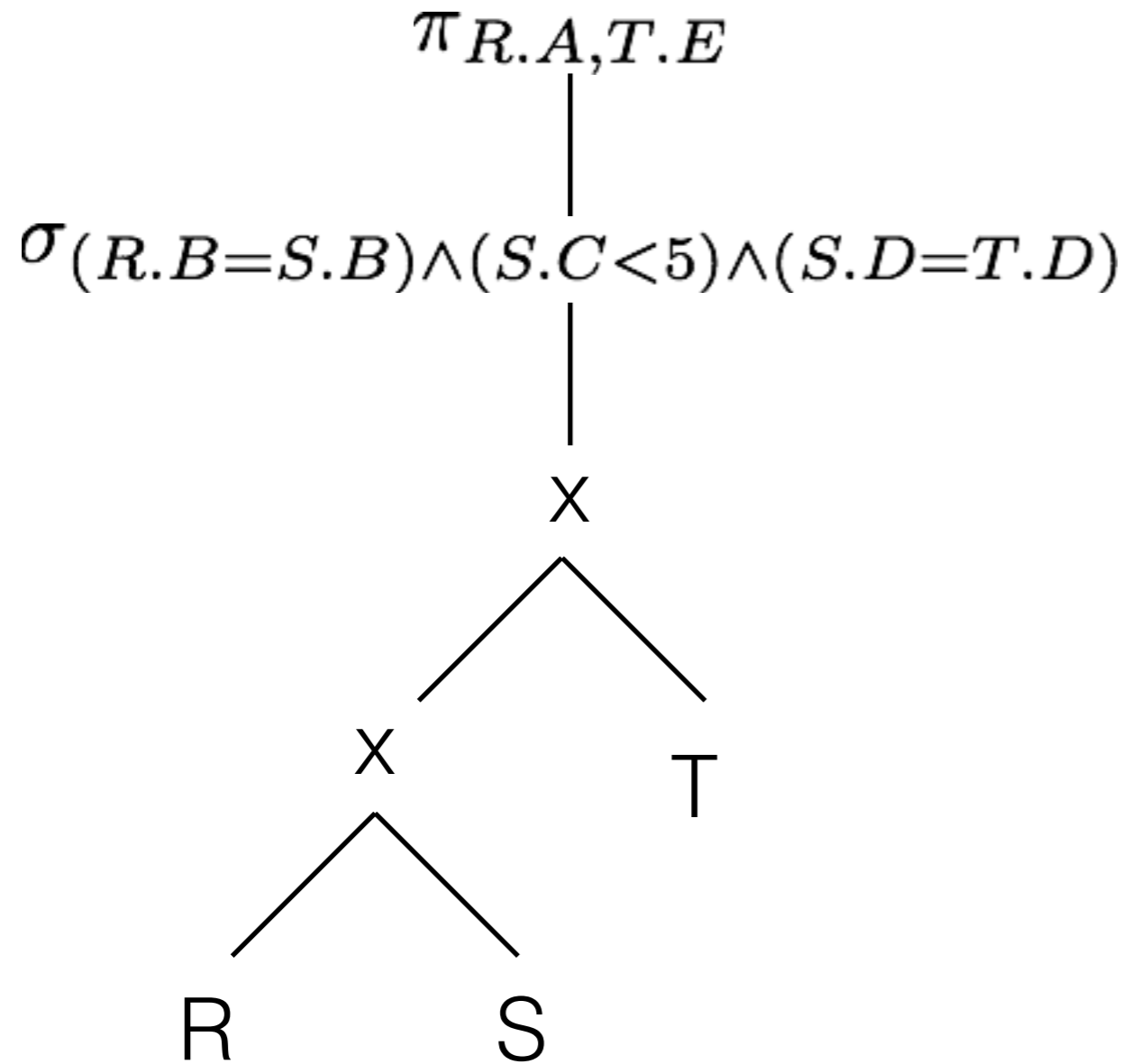
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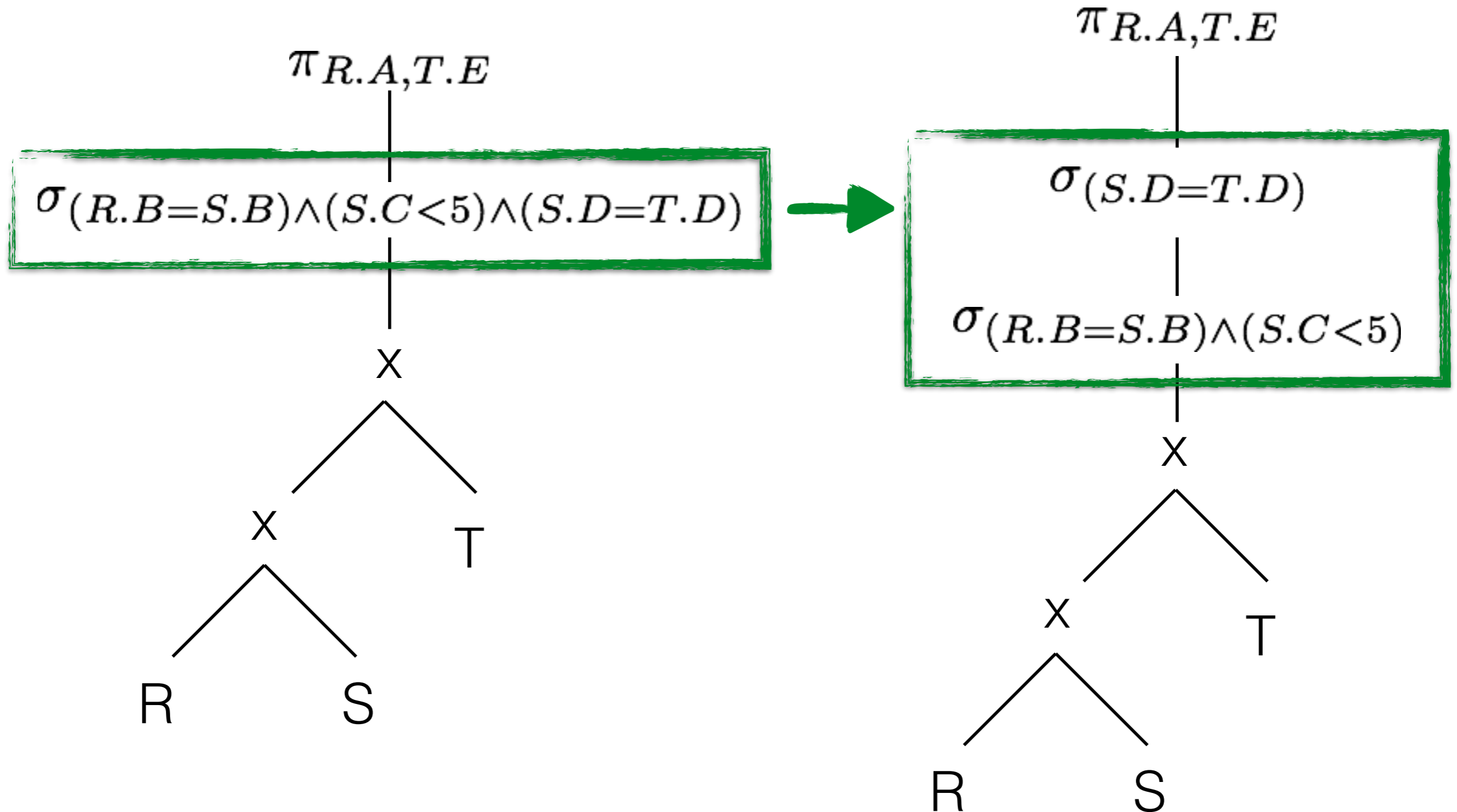
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      AND S.D = T.D
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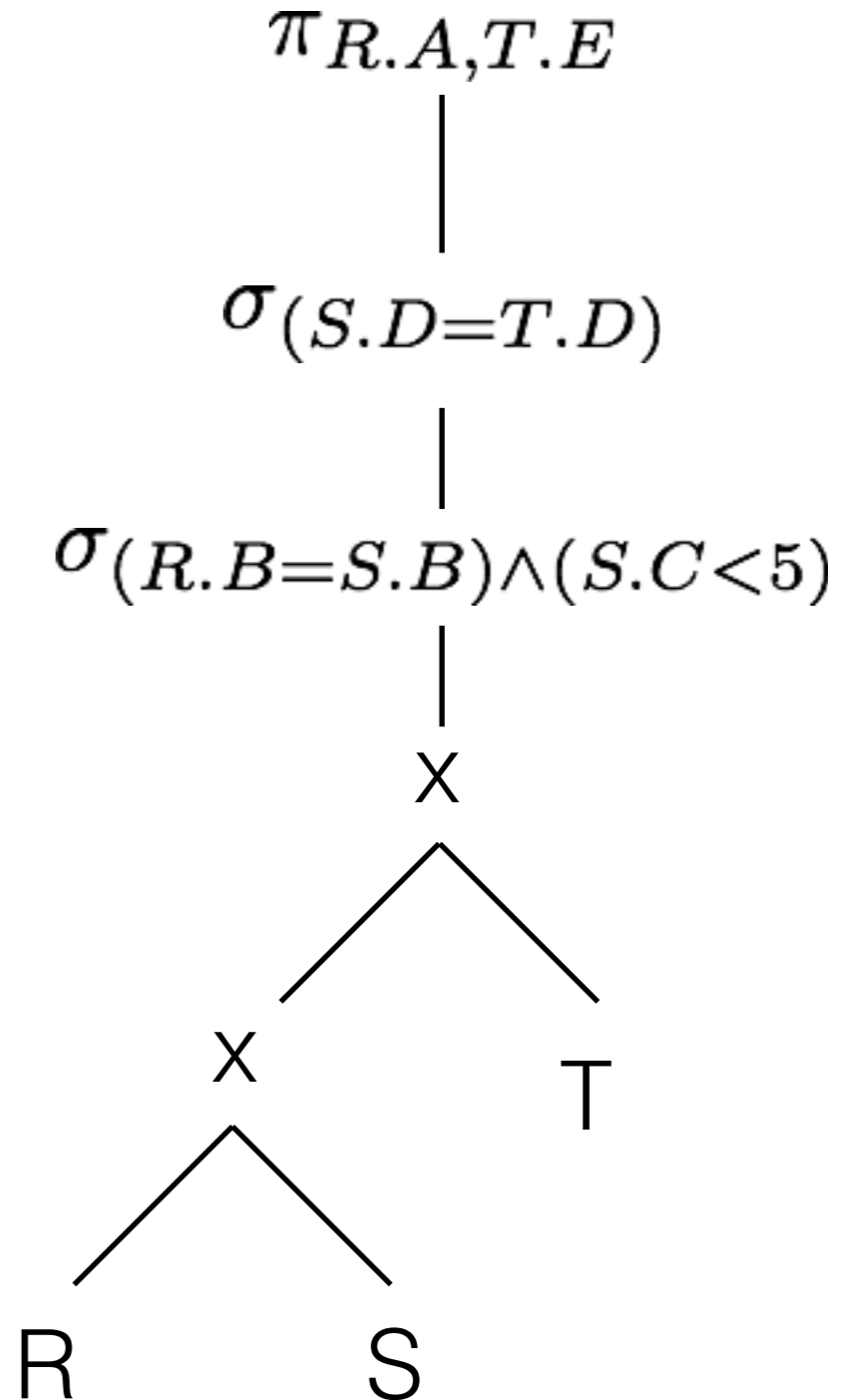
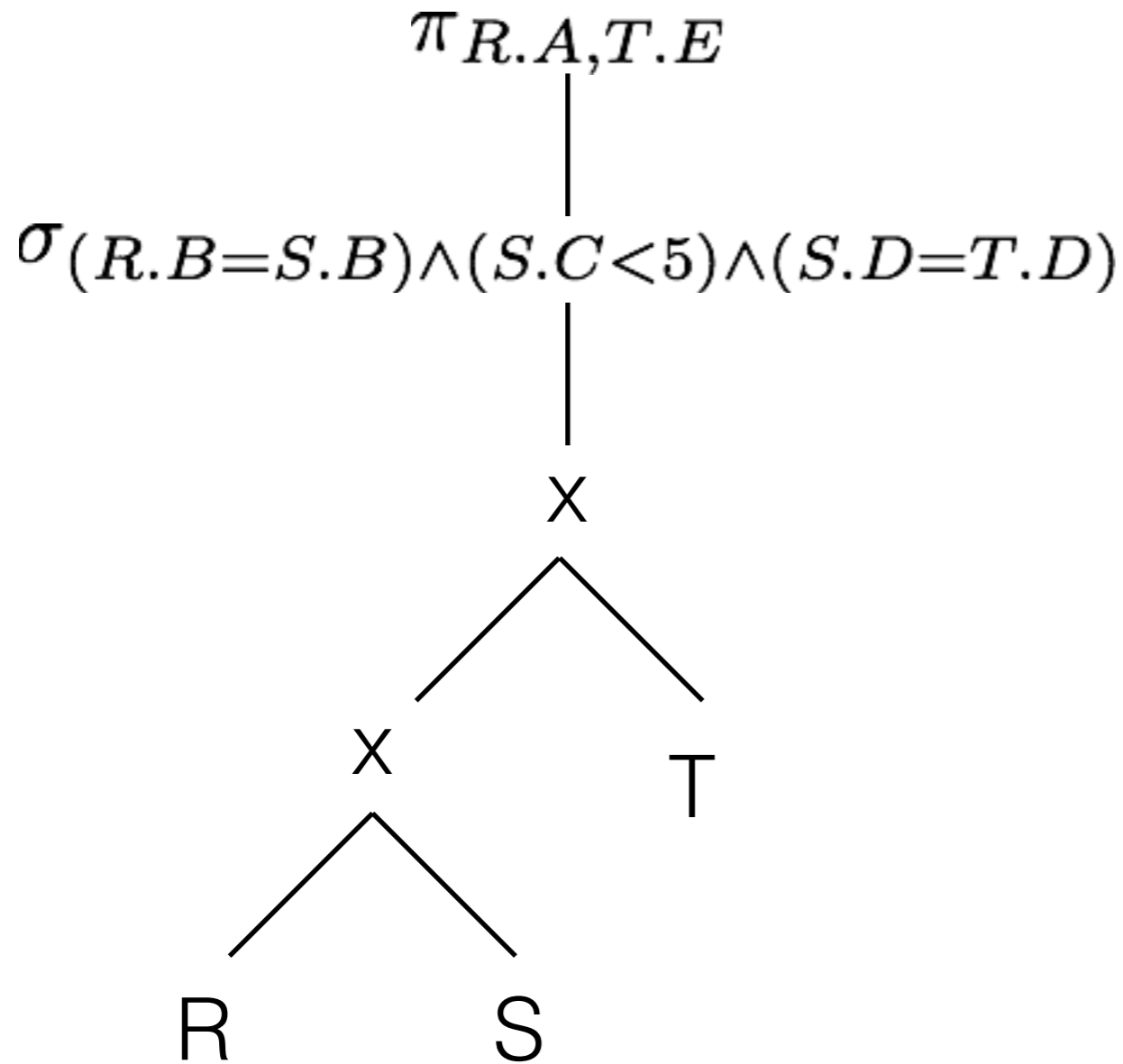
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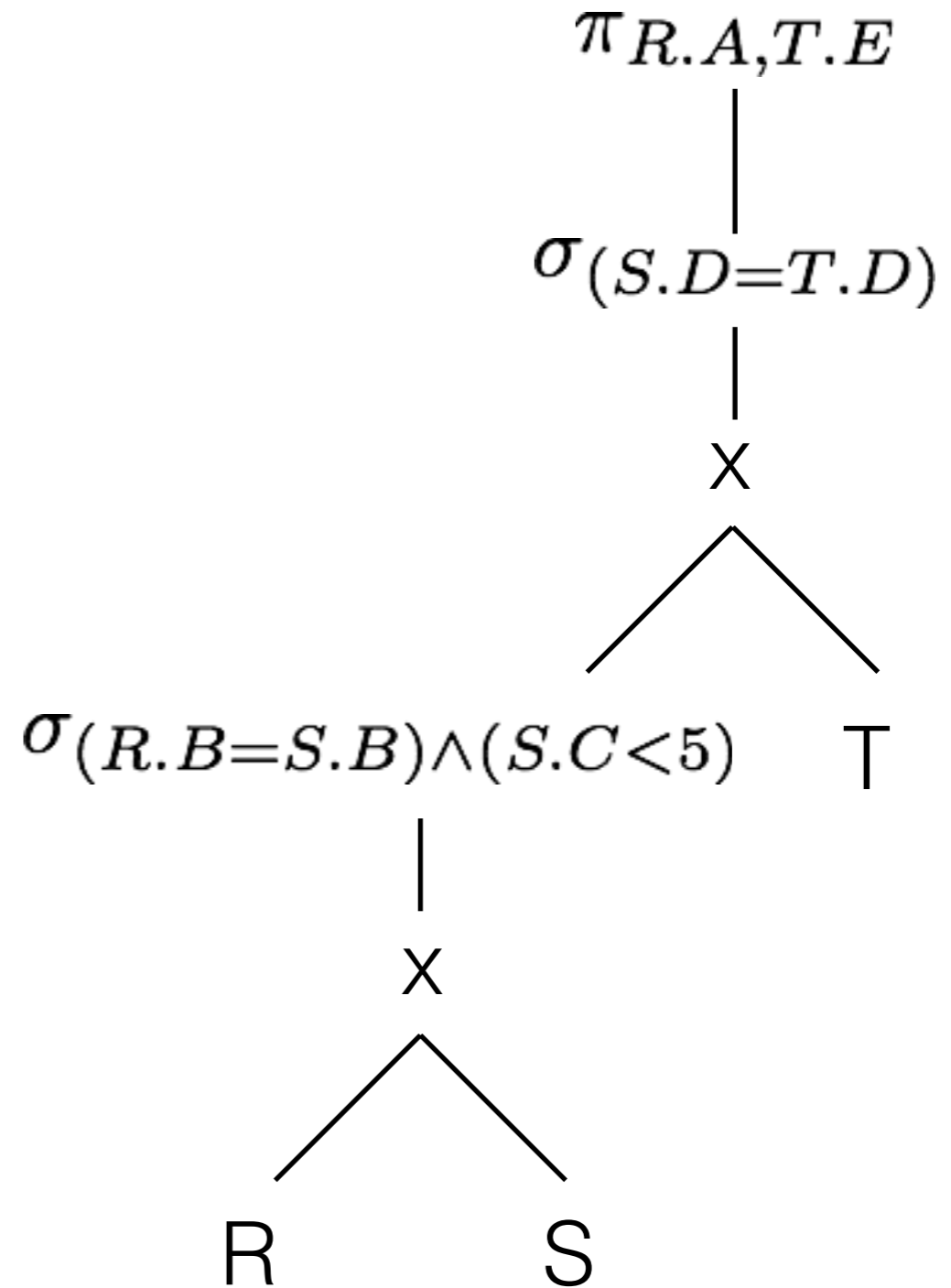
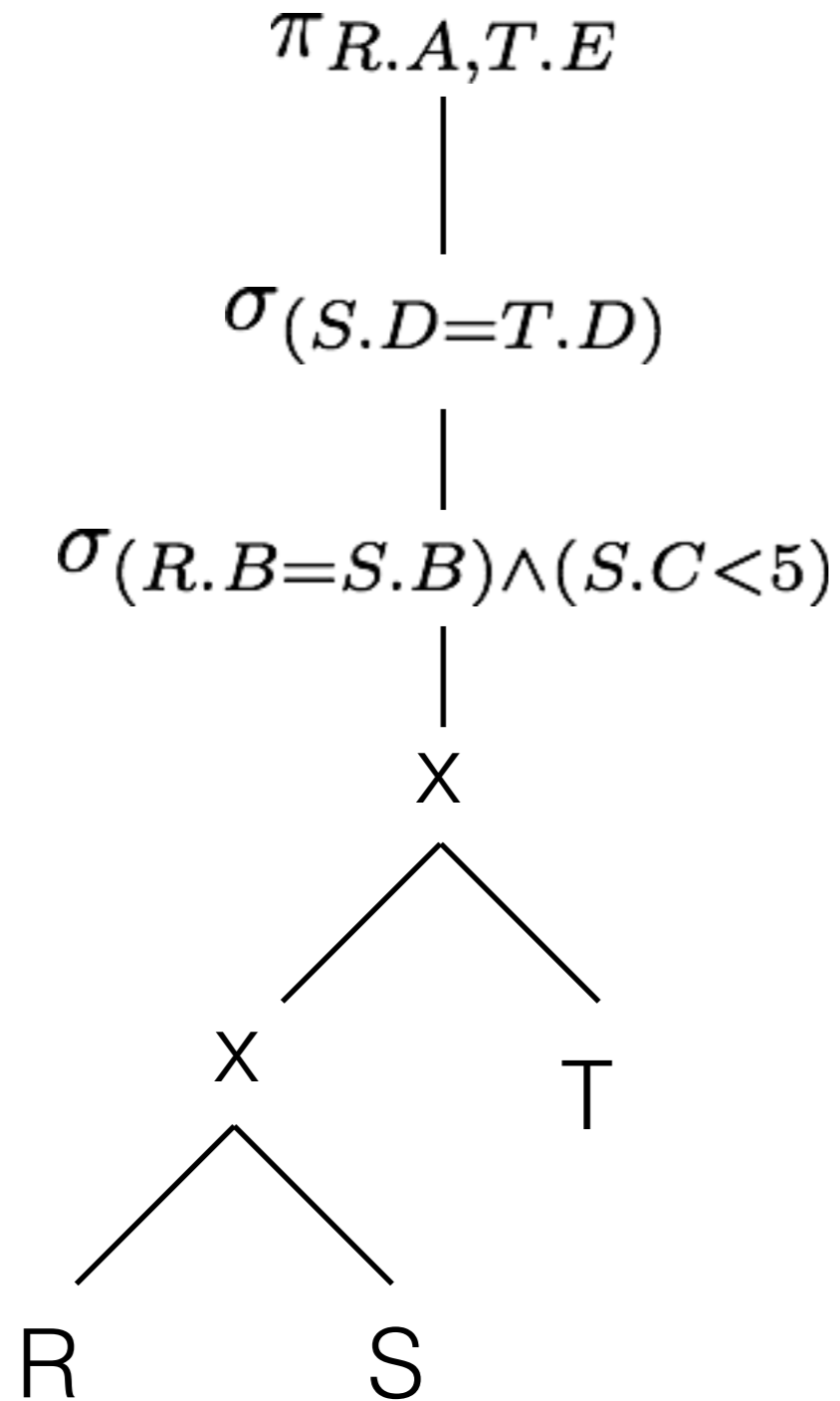
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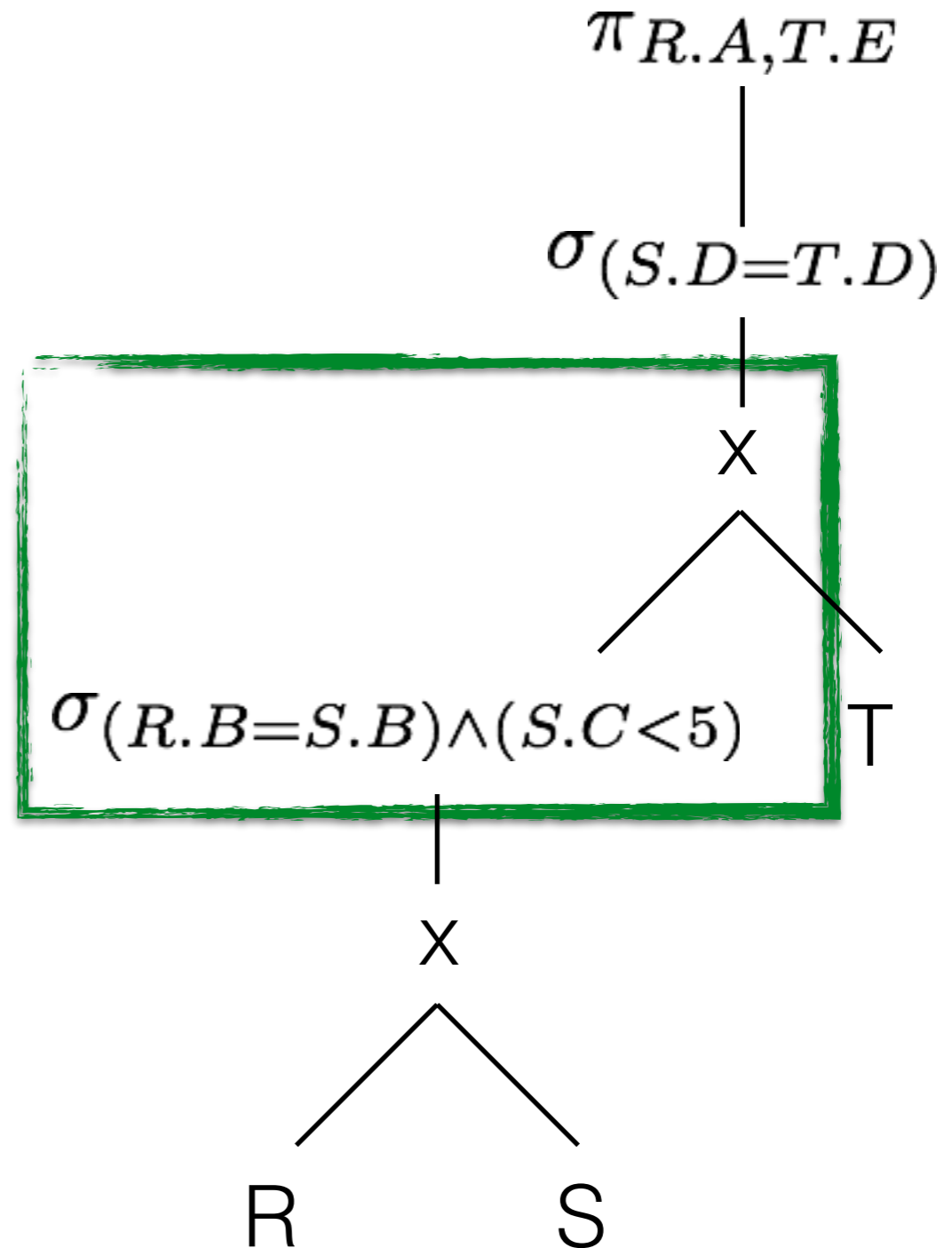
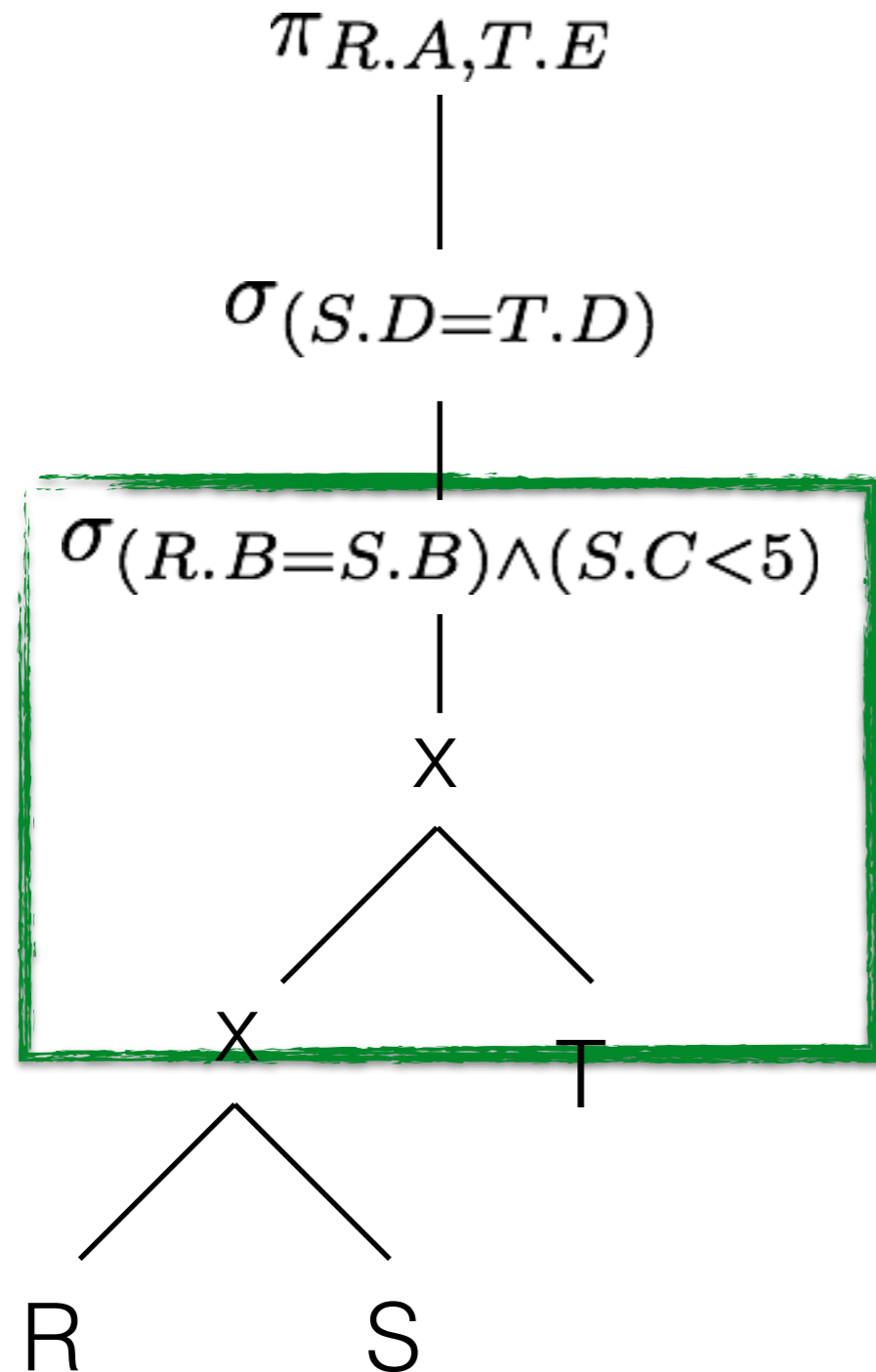
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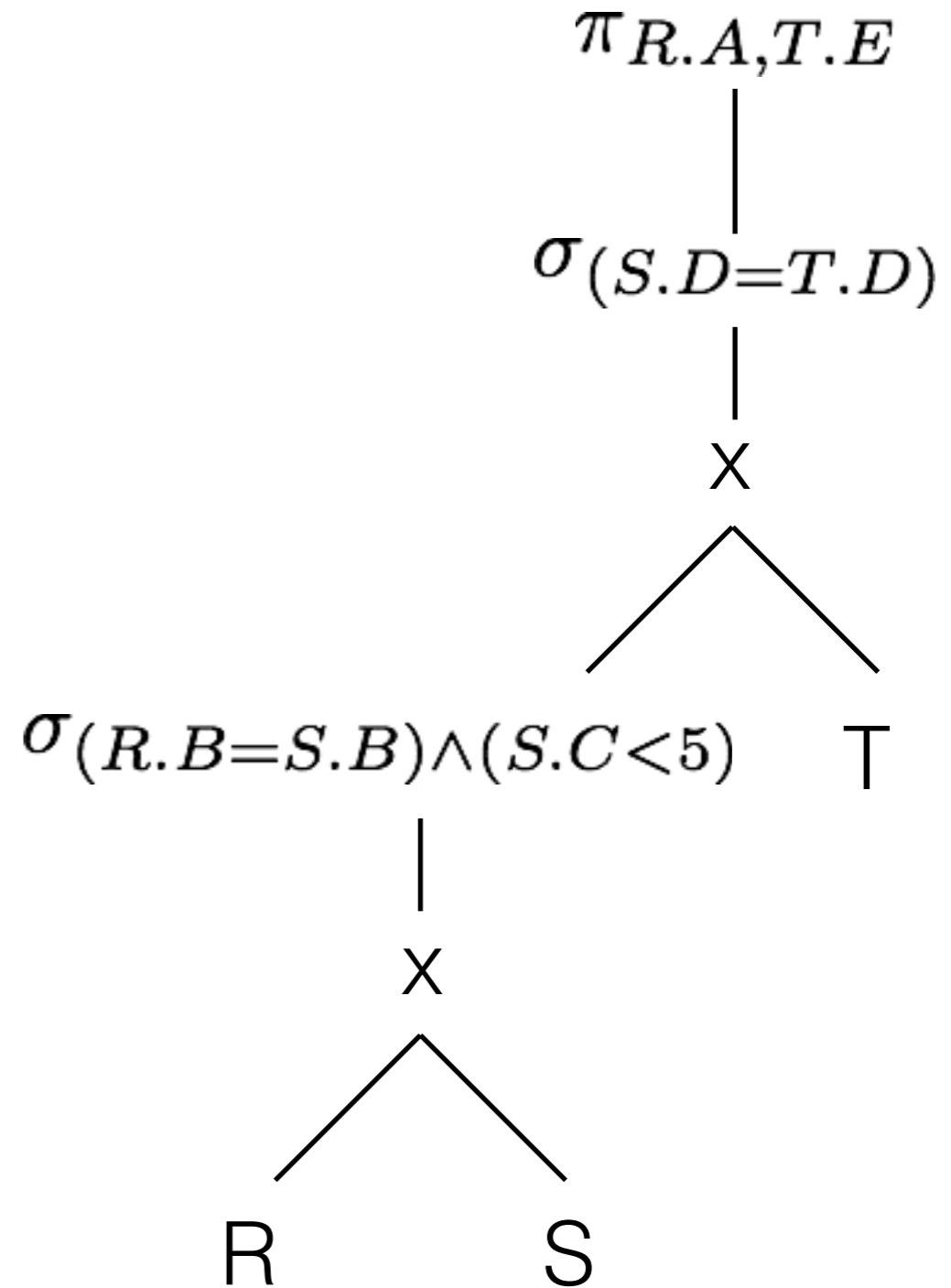
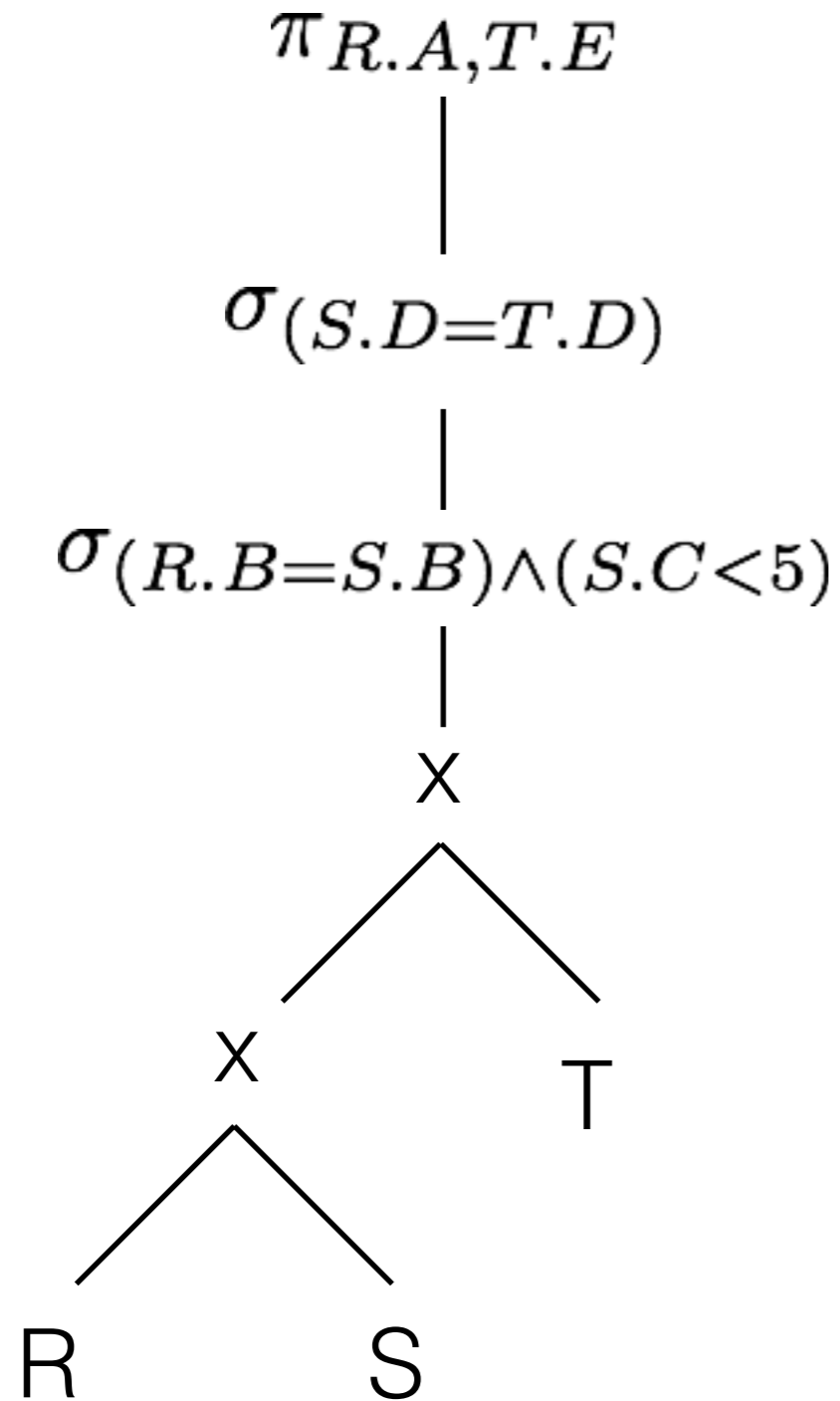


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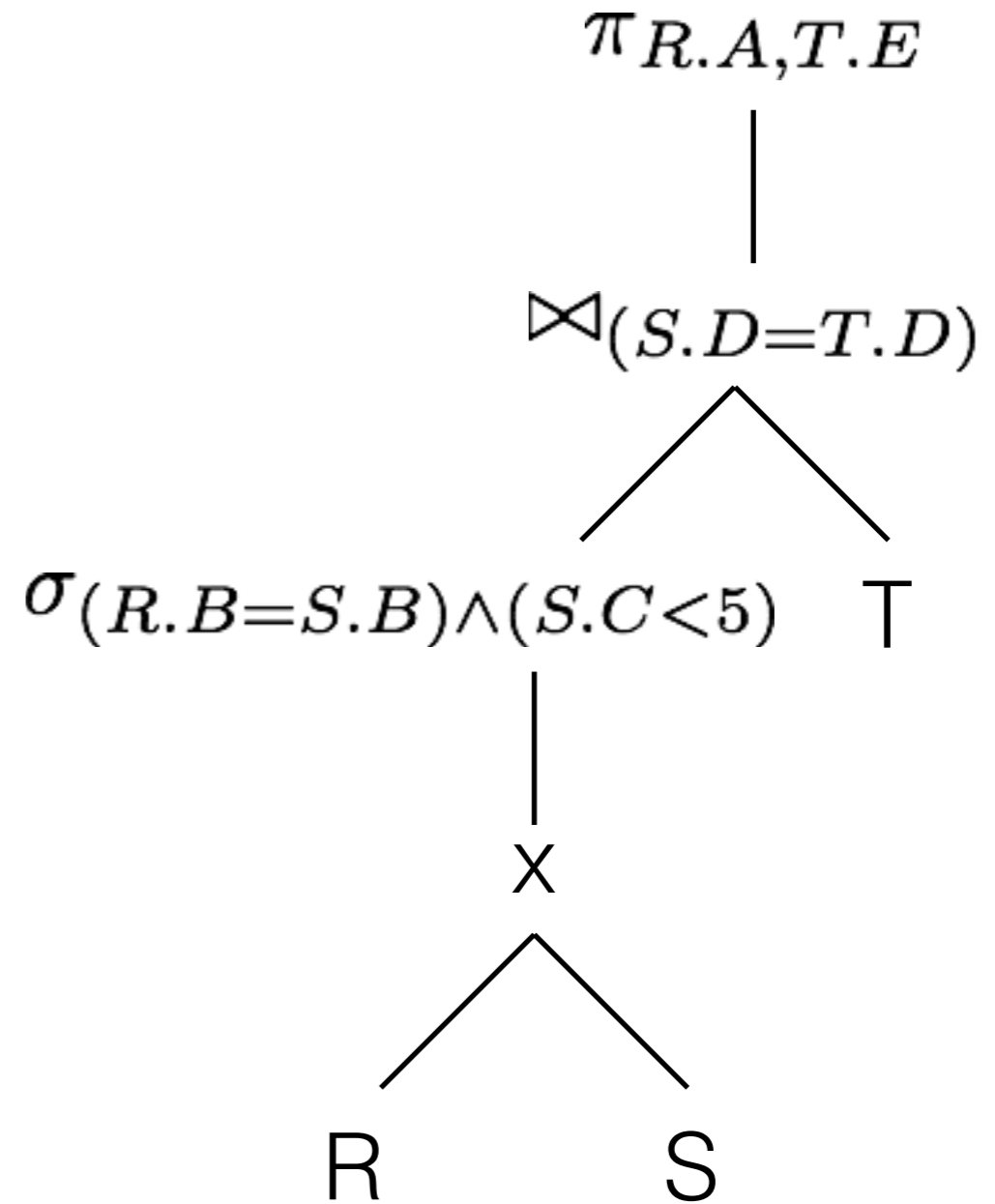
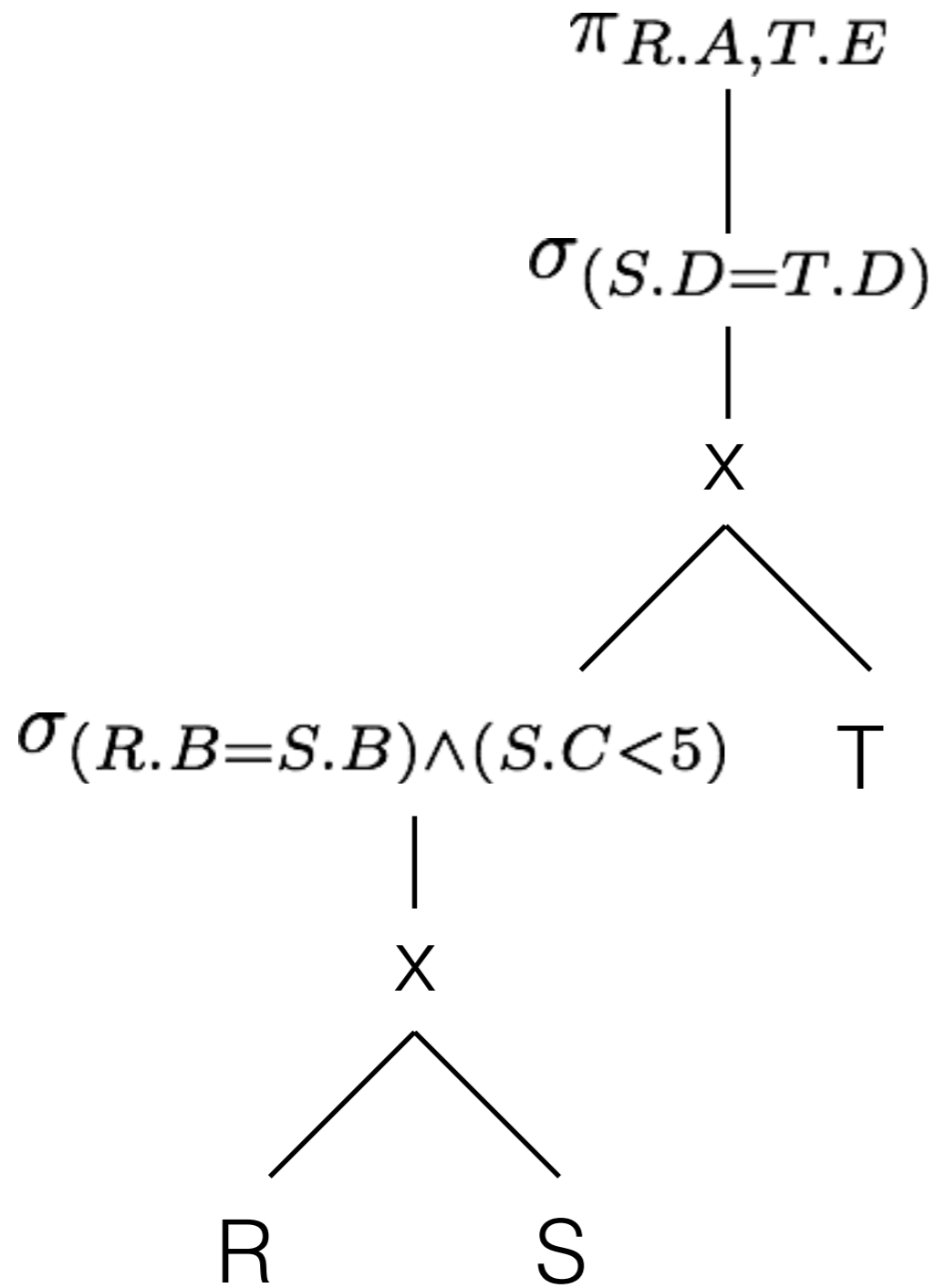




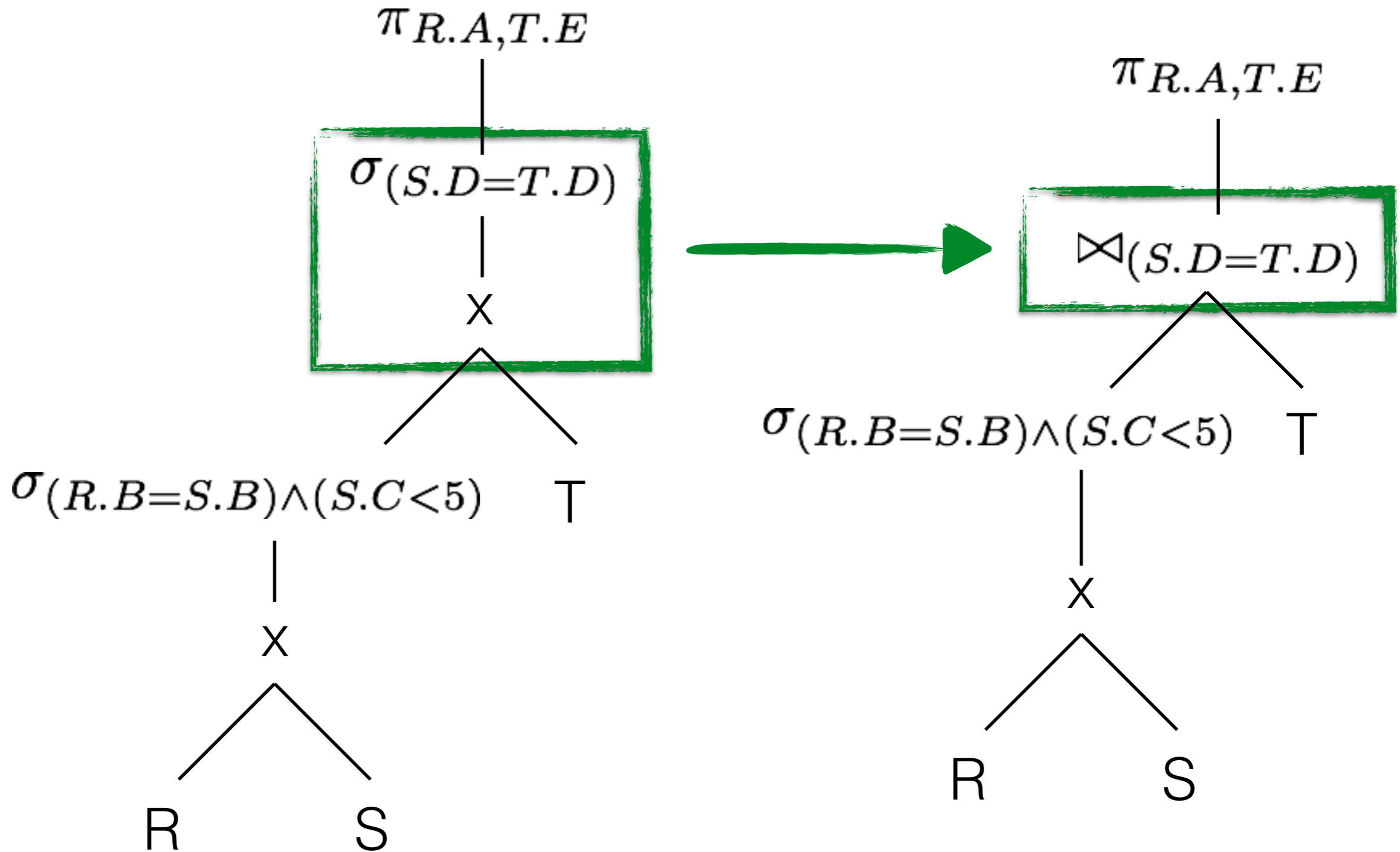
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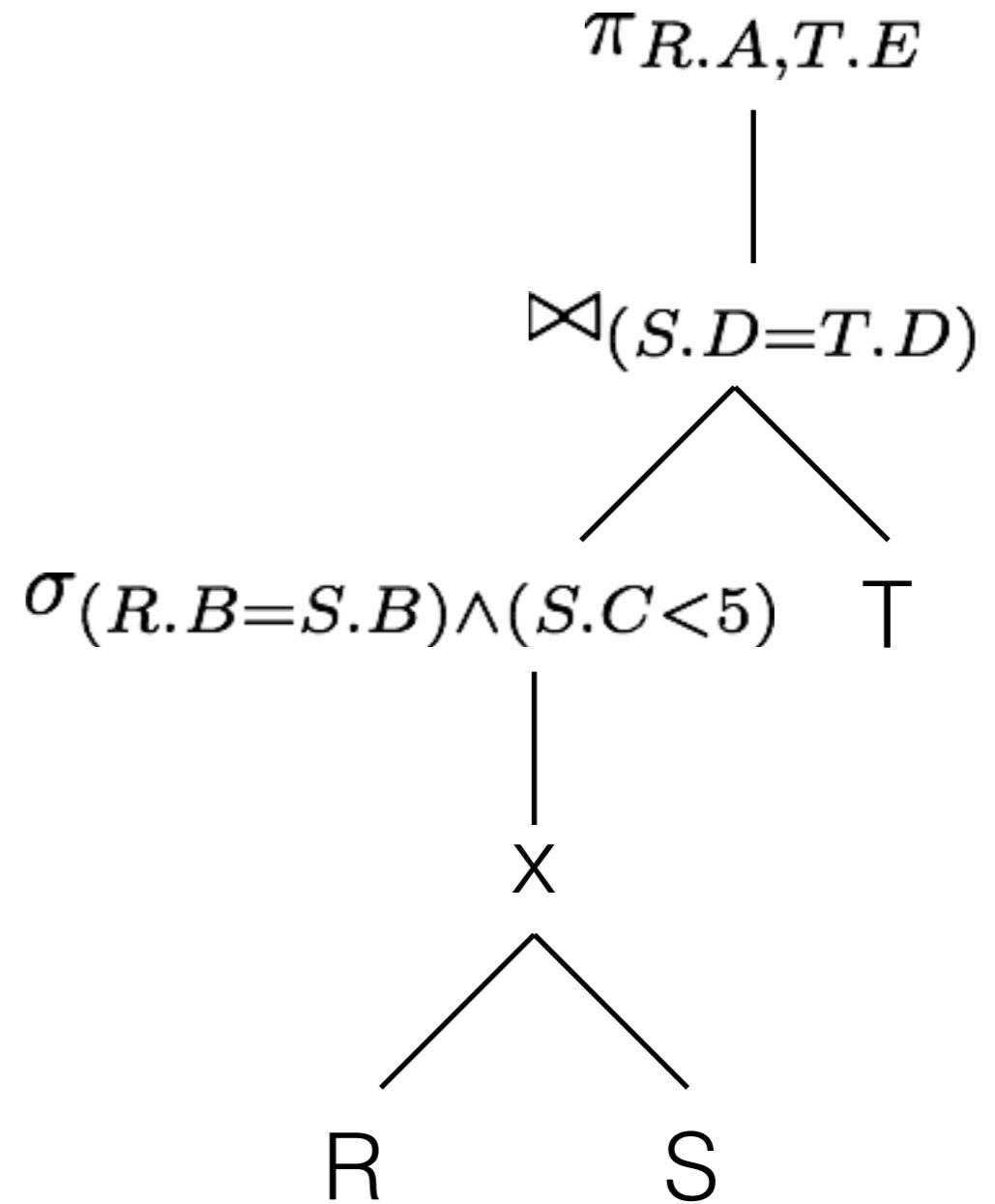
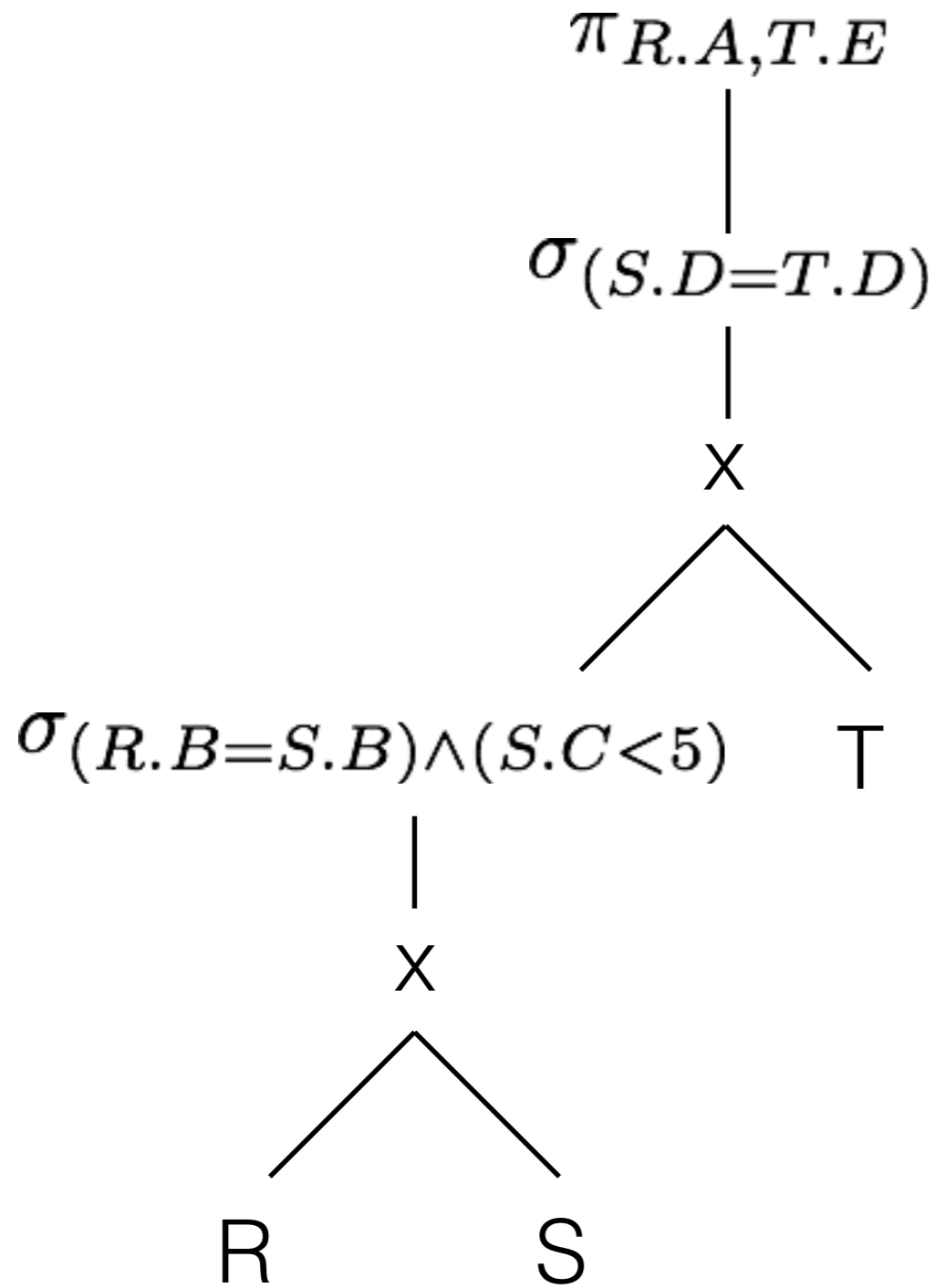
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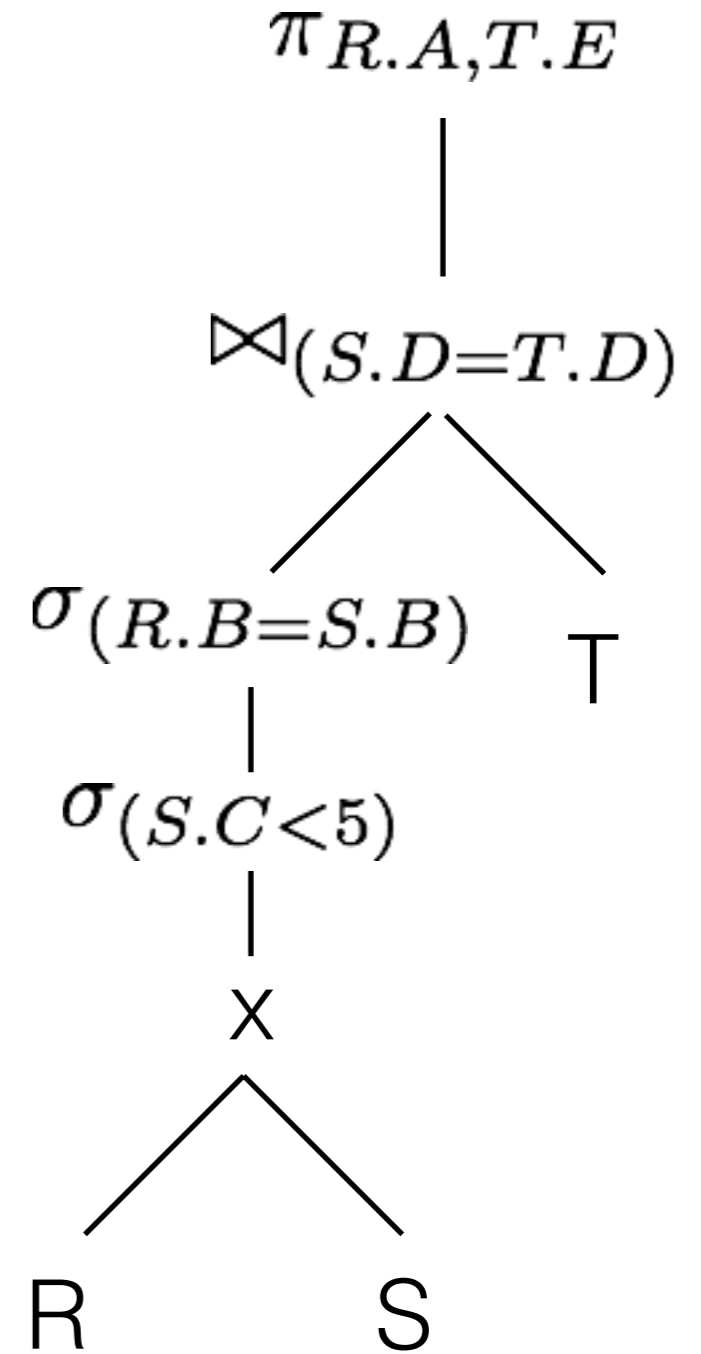
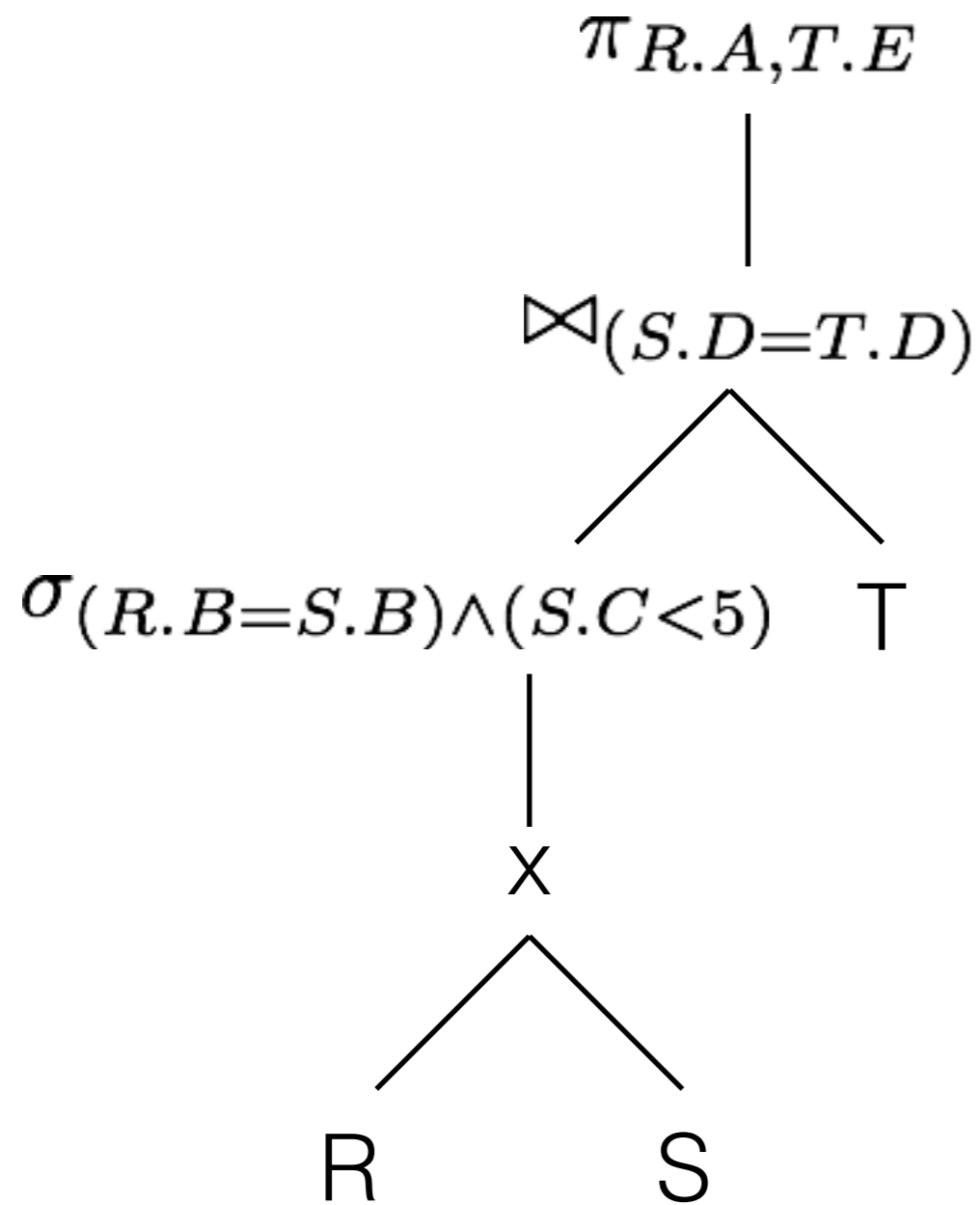
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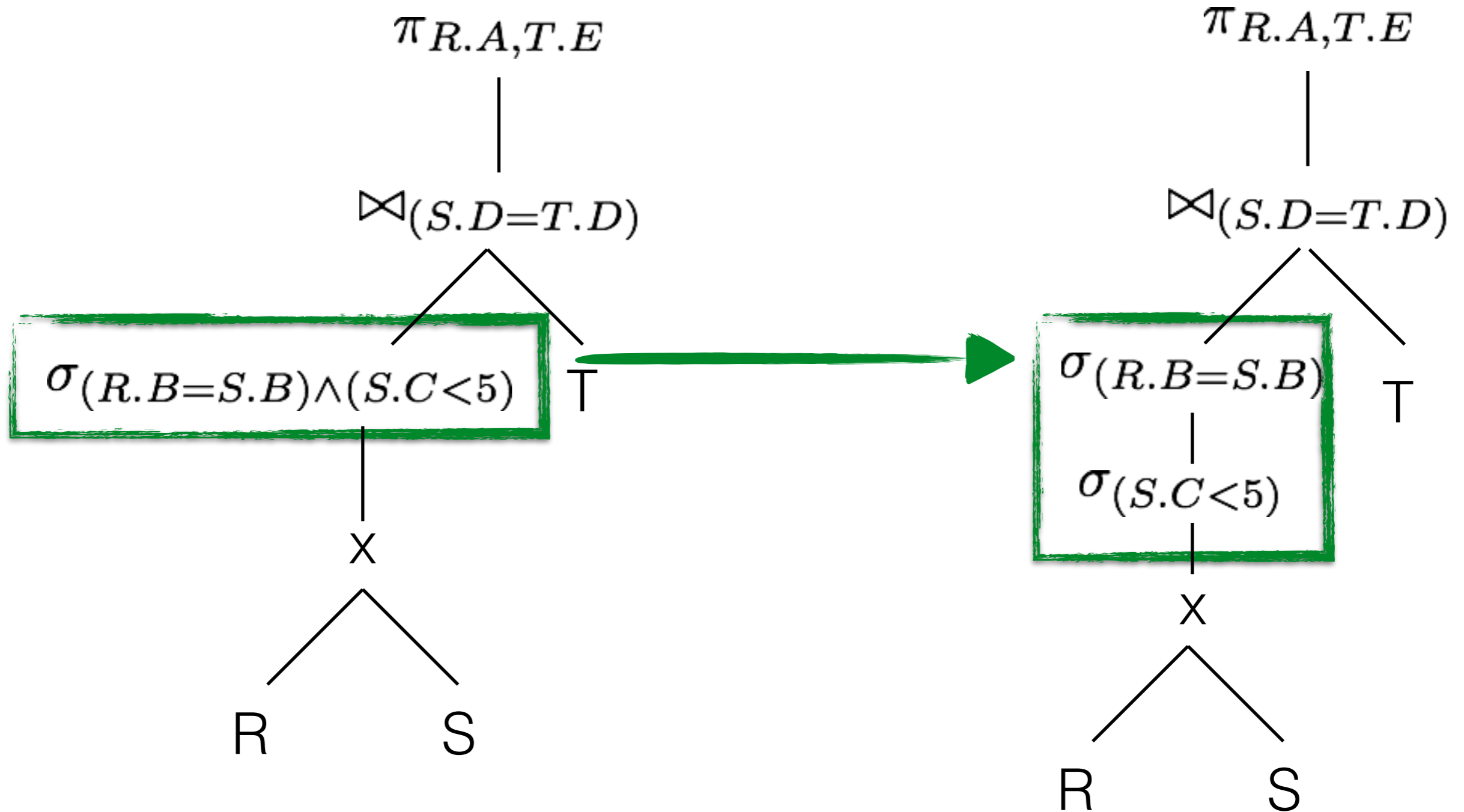
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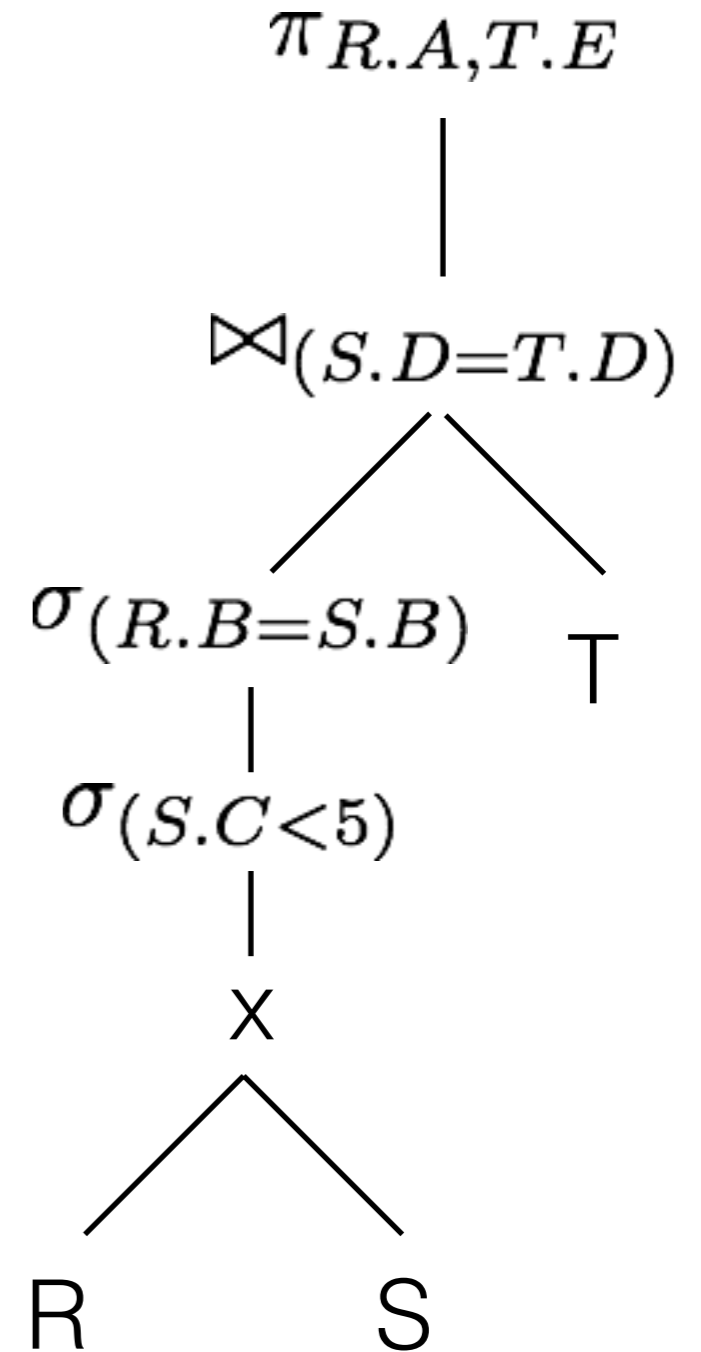
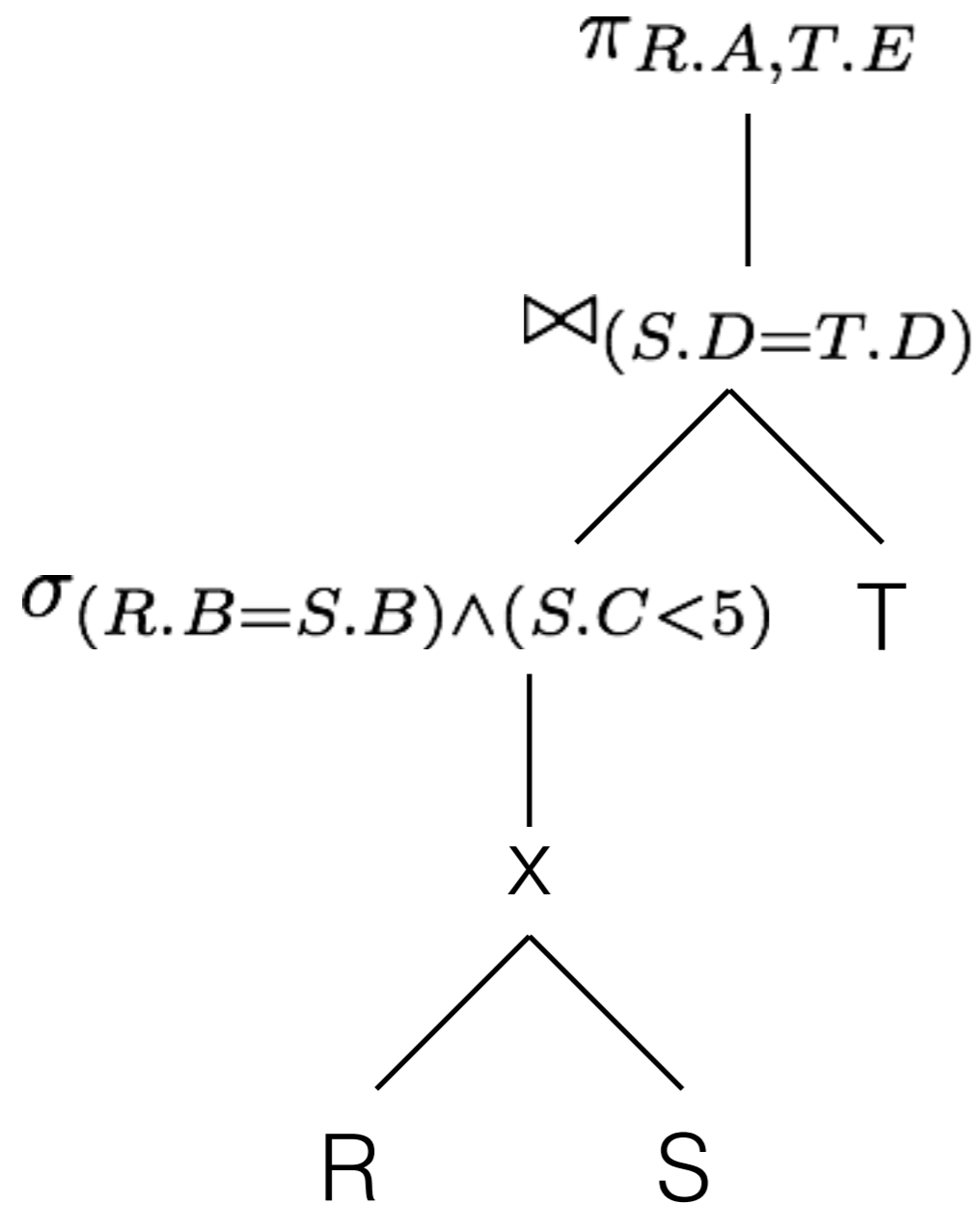
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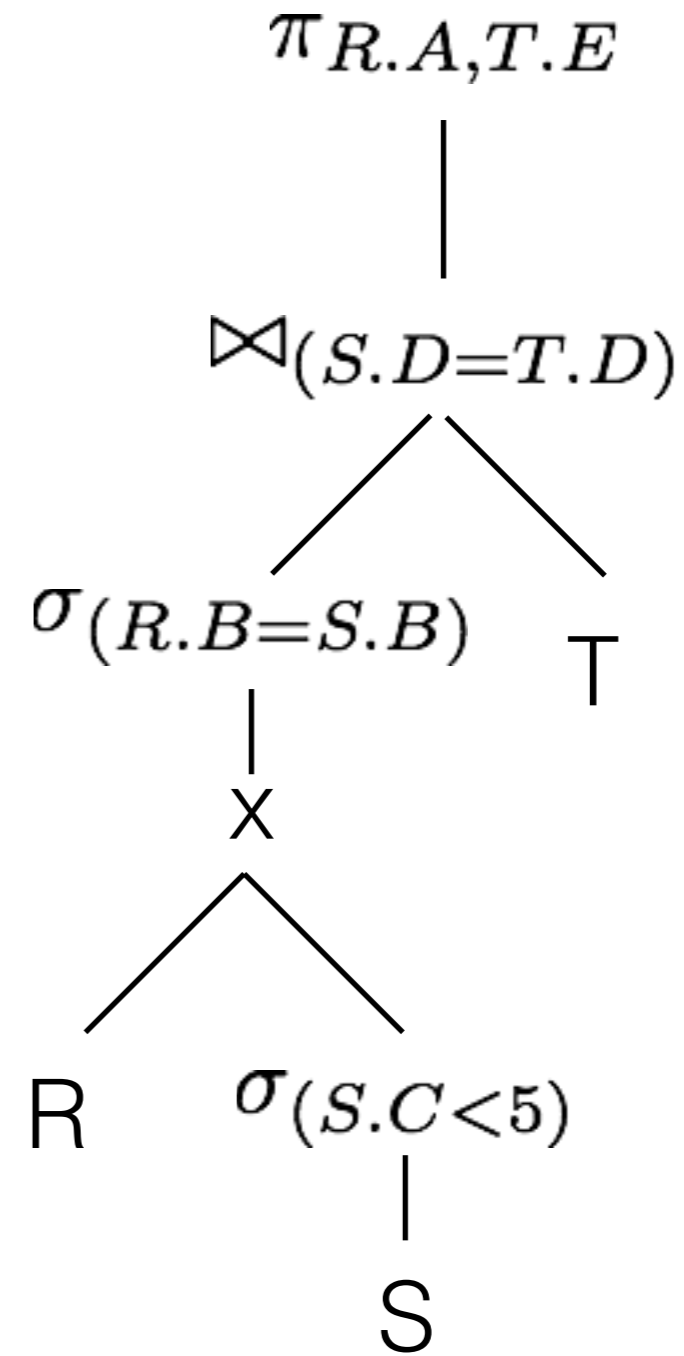
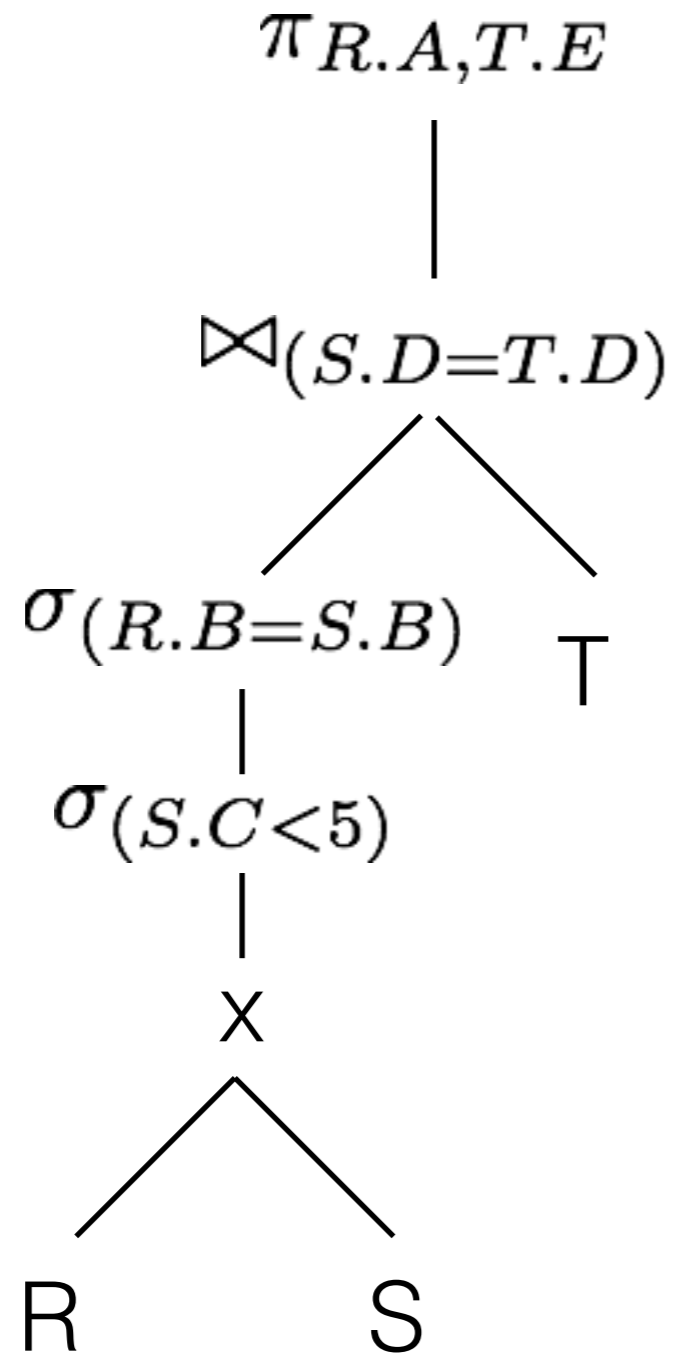
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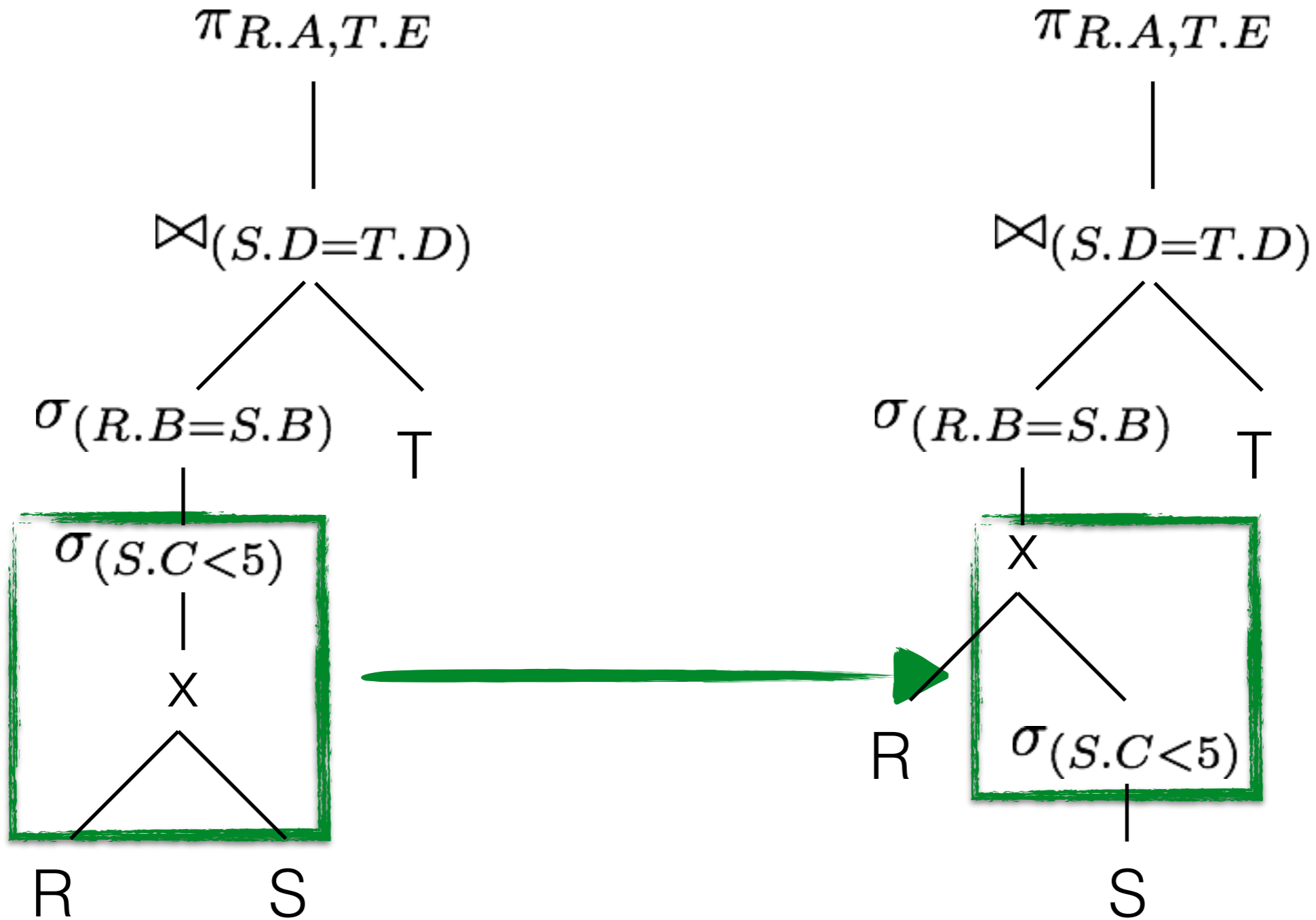


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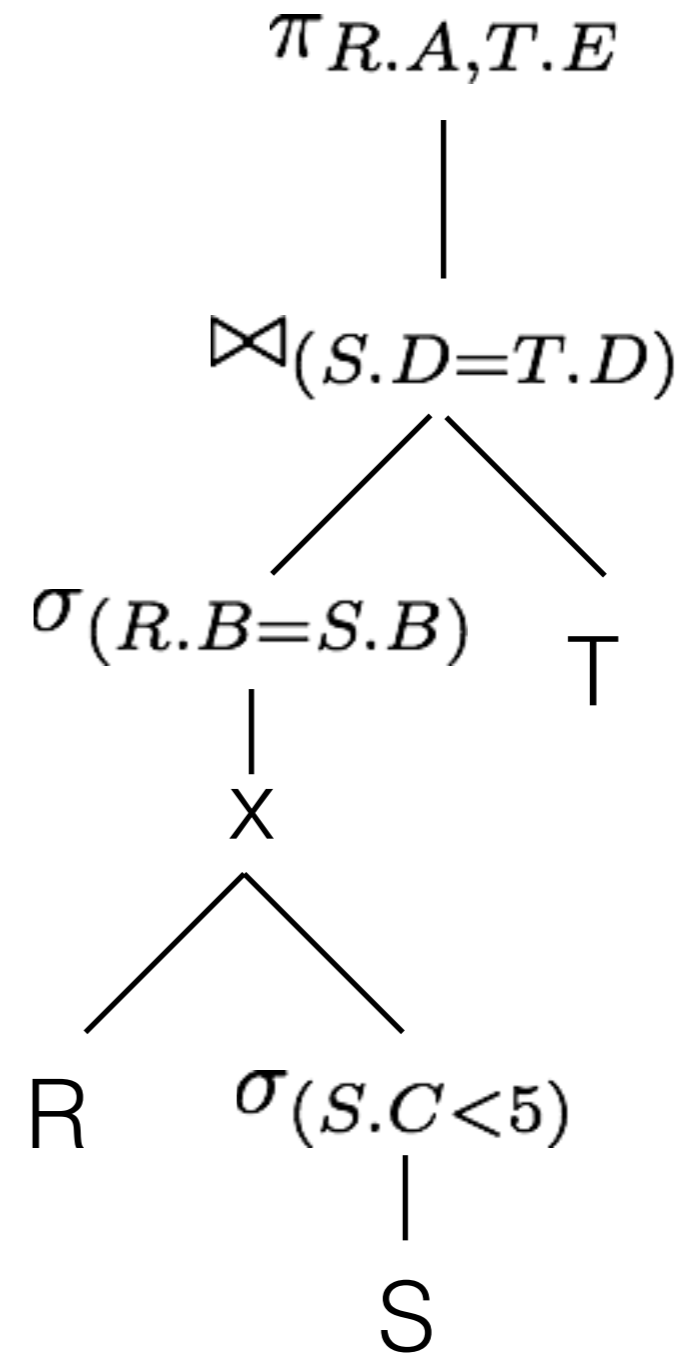
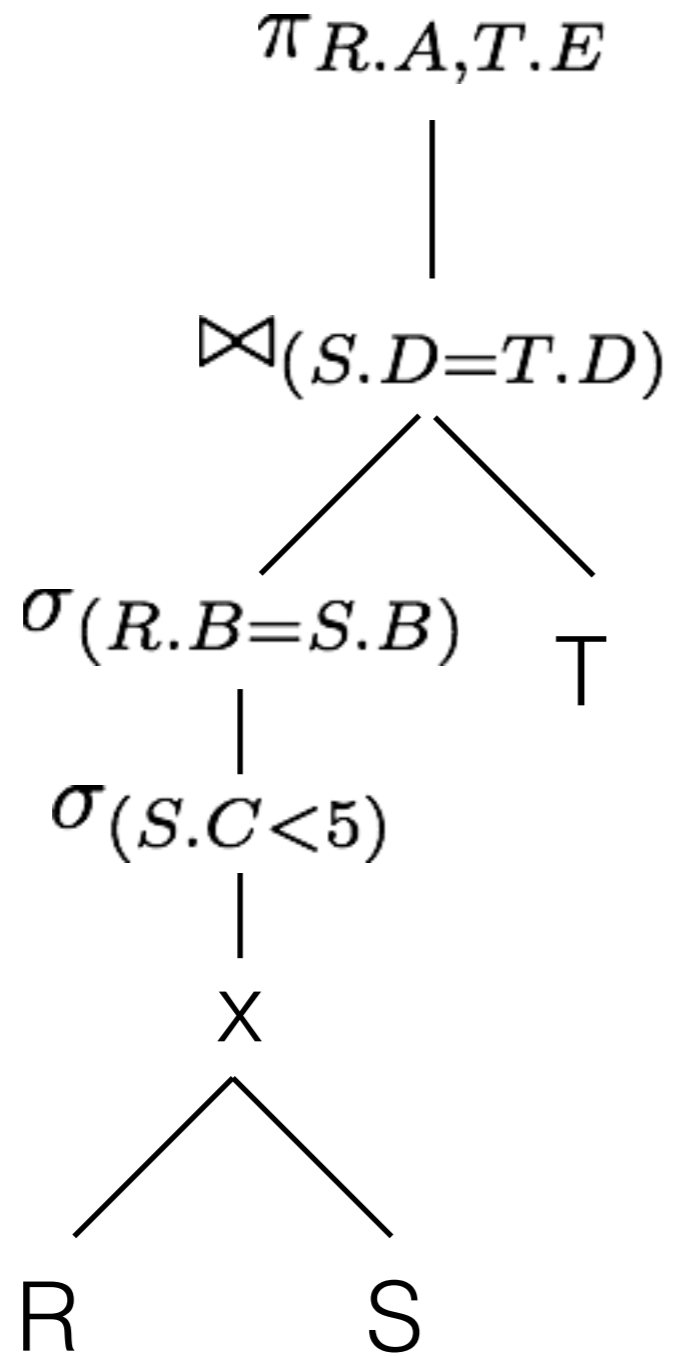




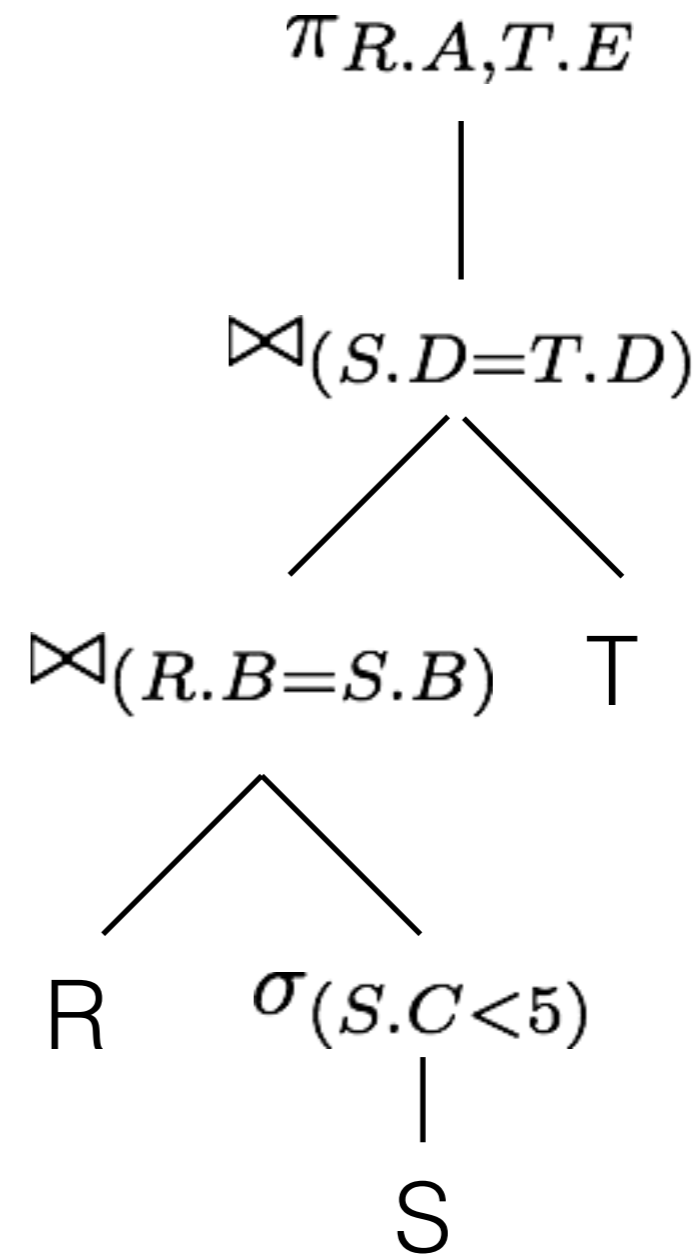
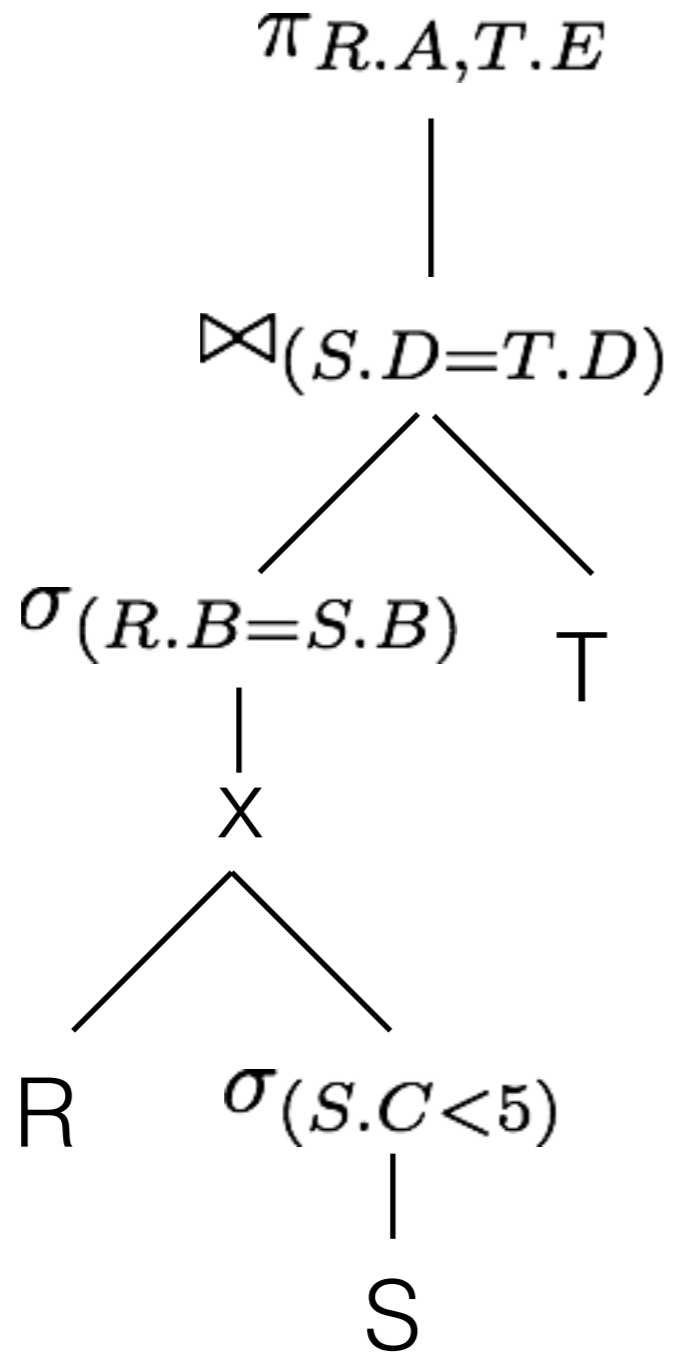
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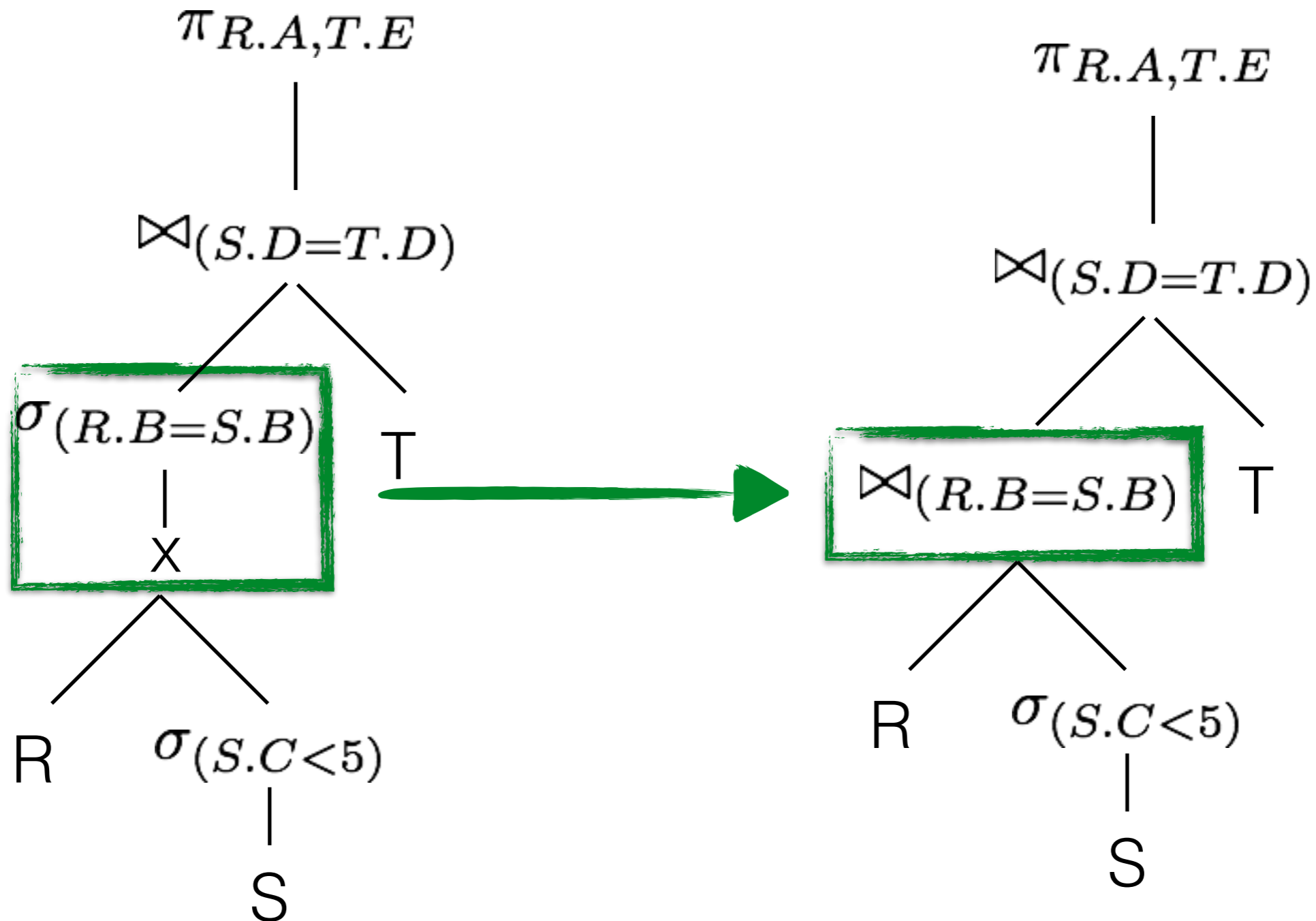
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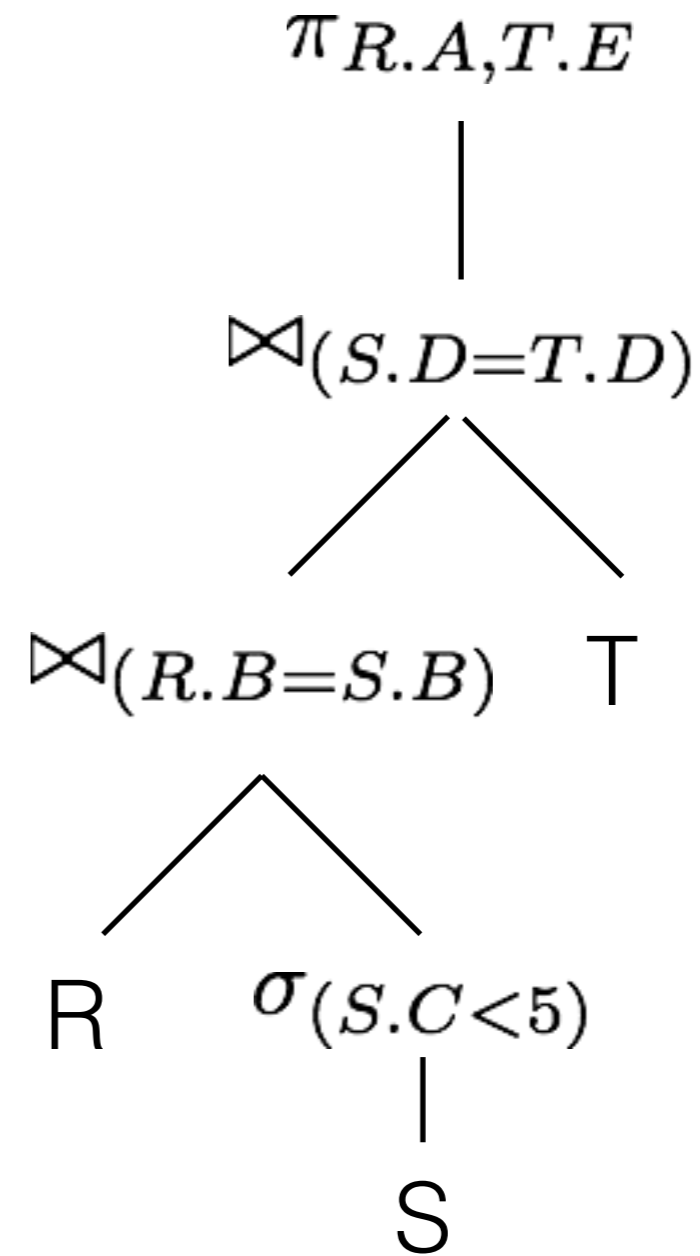
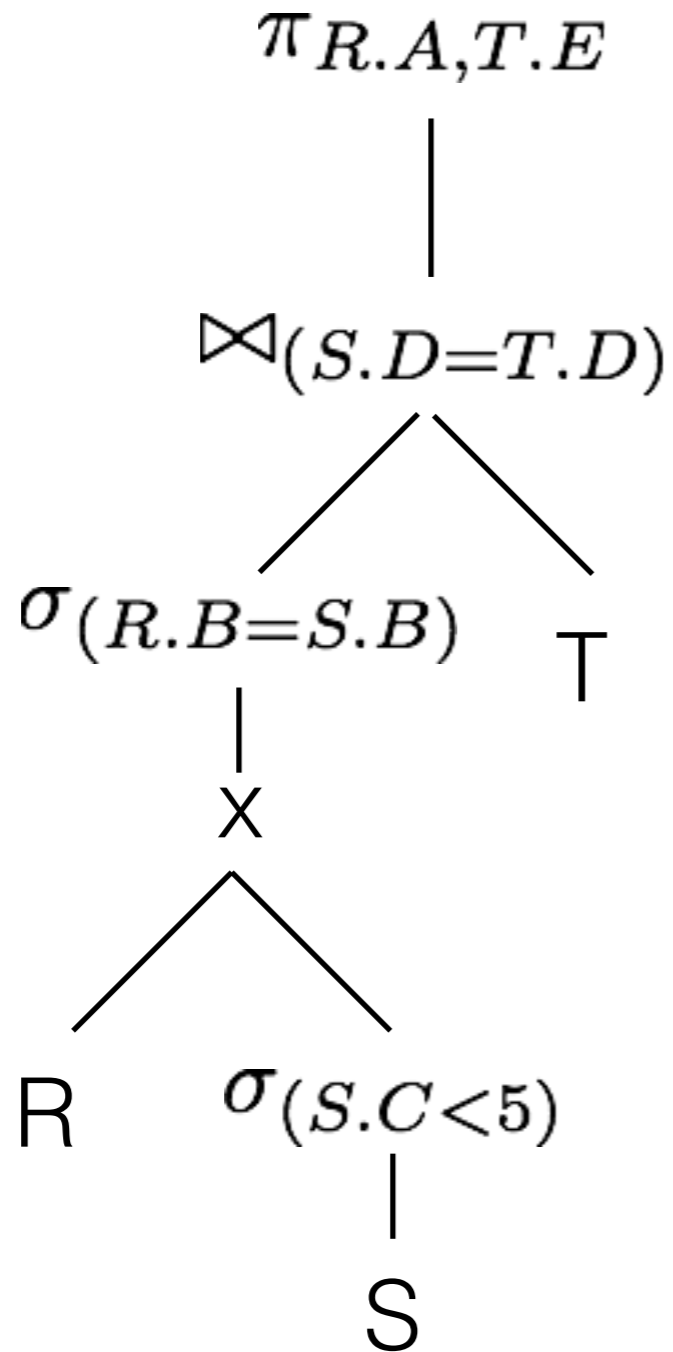
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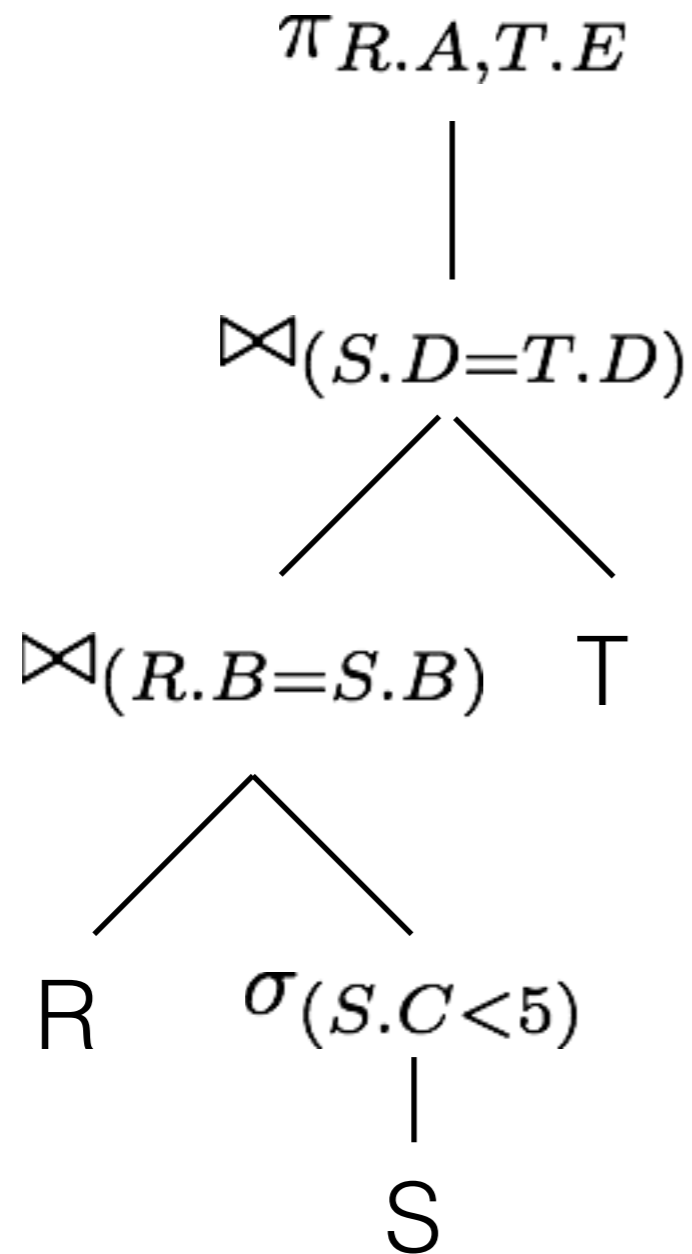
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# Final Plan



```
SELECT R.A, T.E
FROM R, S, T
WHERE R.B = S.B
AND S.C < 5
AND S.D = T.D
```

Translate Dumb, Optimize Later

Find Patterns (`select (Cross (R, S))`) ...  
... and Replace (`Join (R, S)`)

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Which form is better?