

# Quantifying Over Public Announcements

## Recent Results and Open Questions

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# Plan of the Talk

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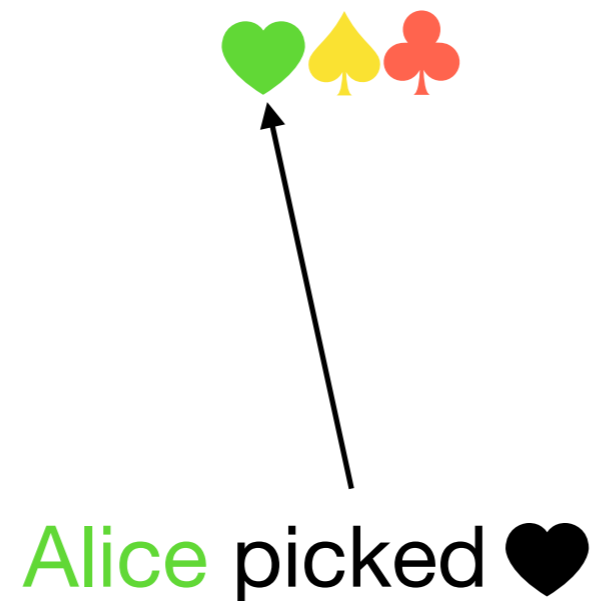
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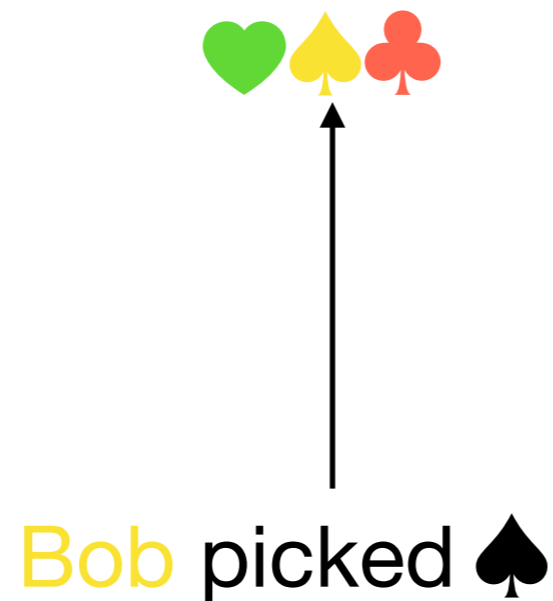
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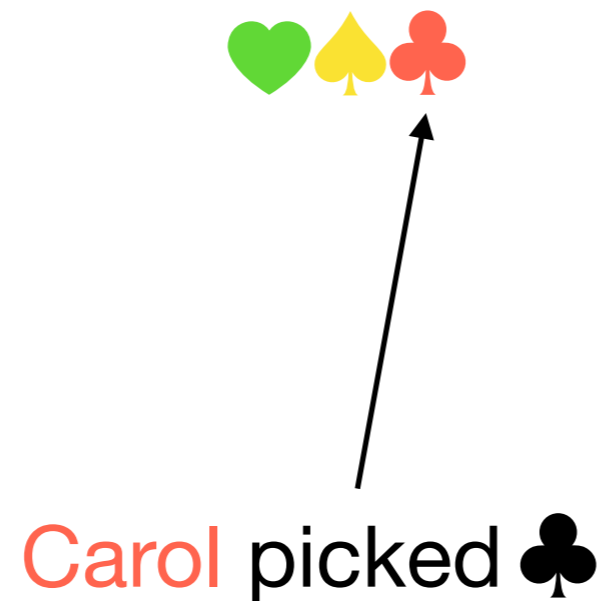
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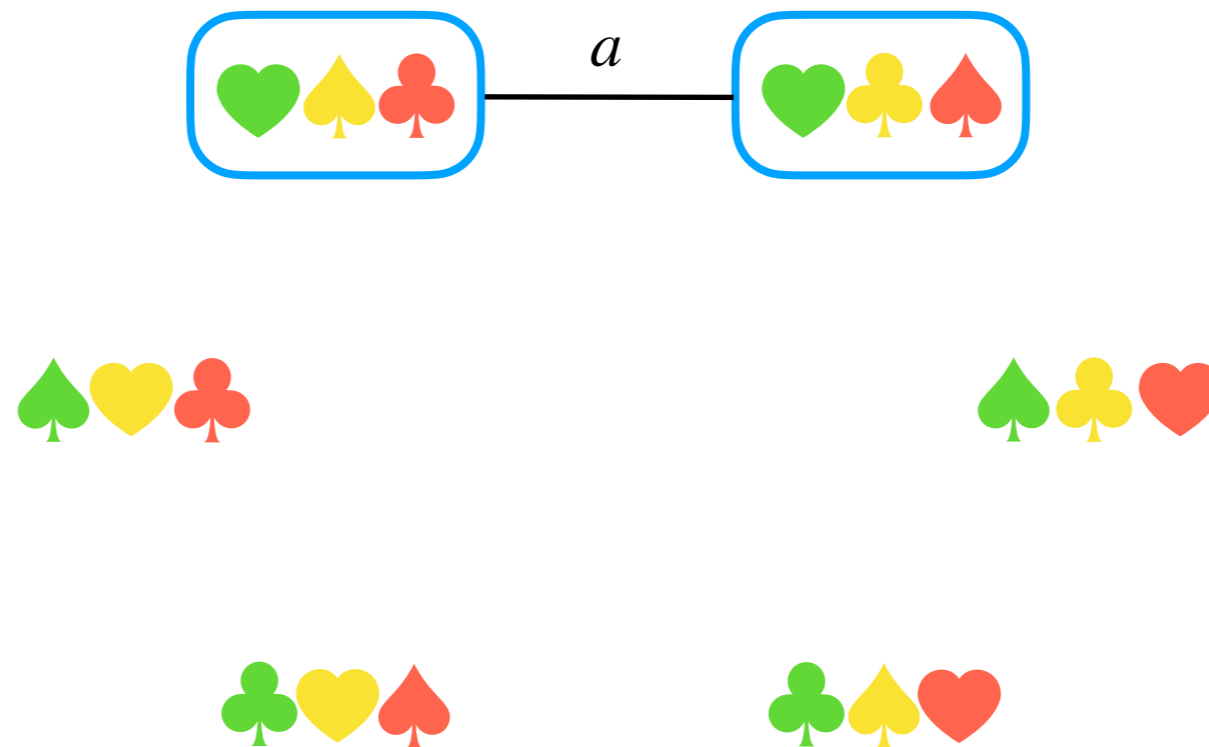
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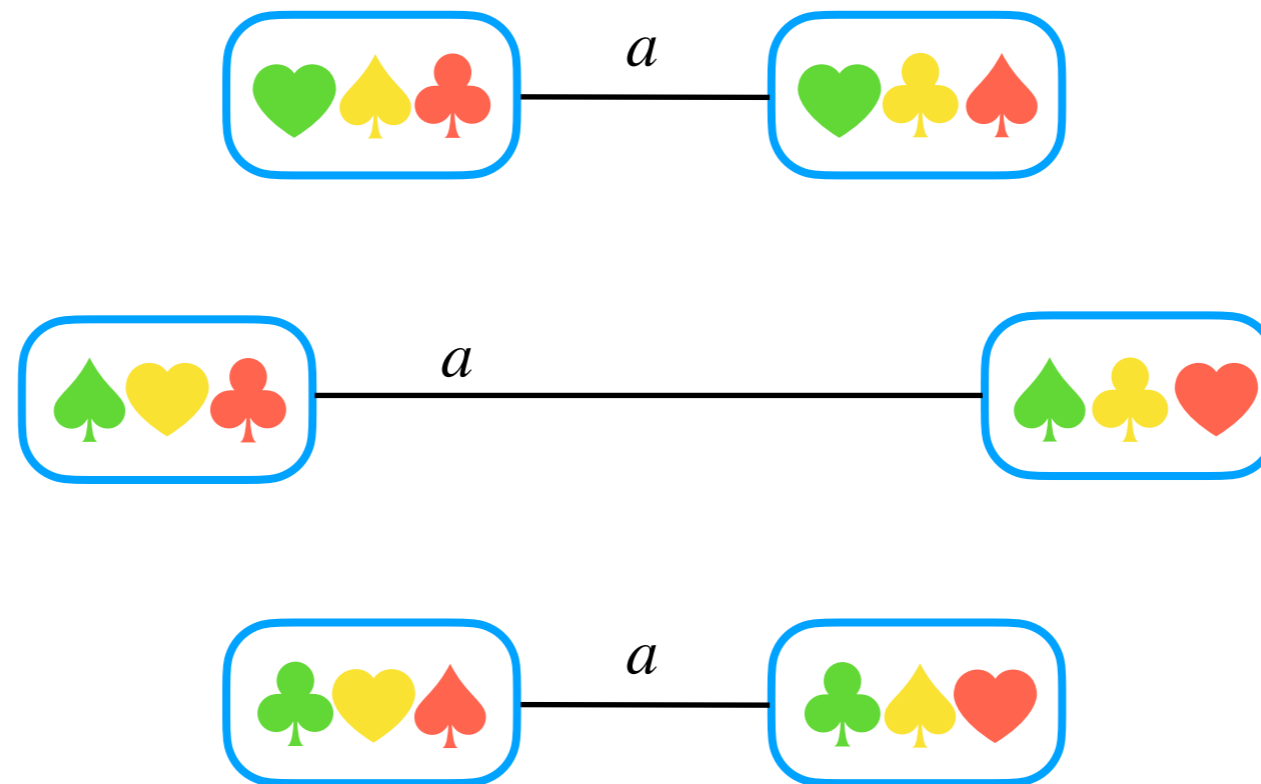
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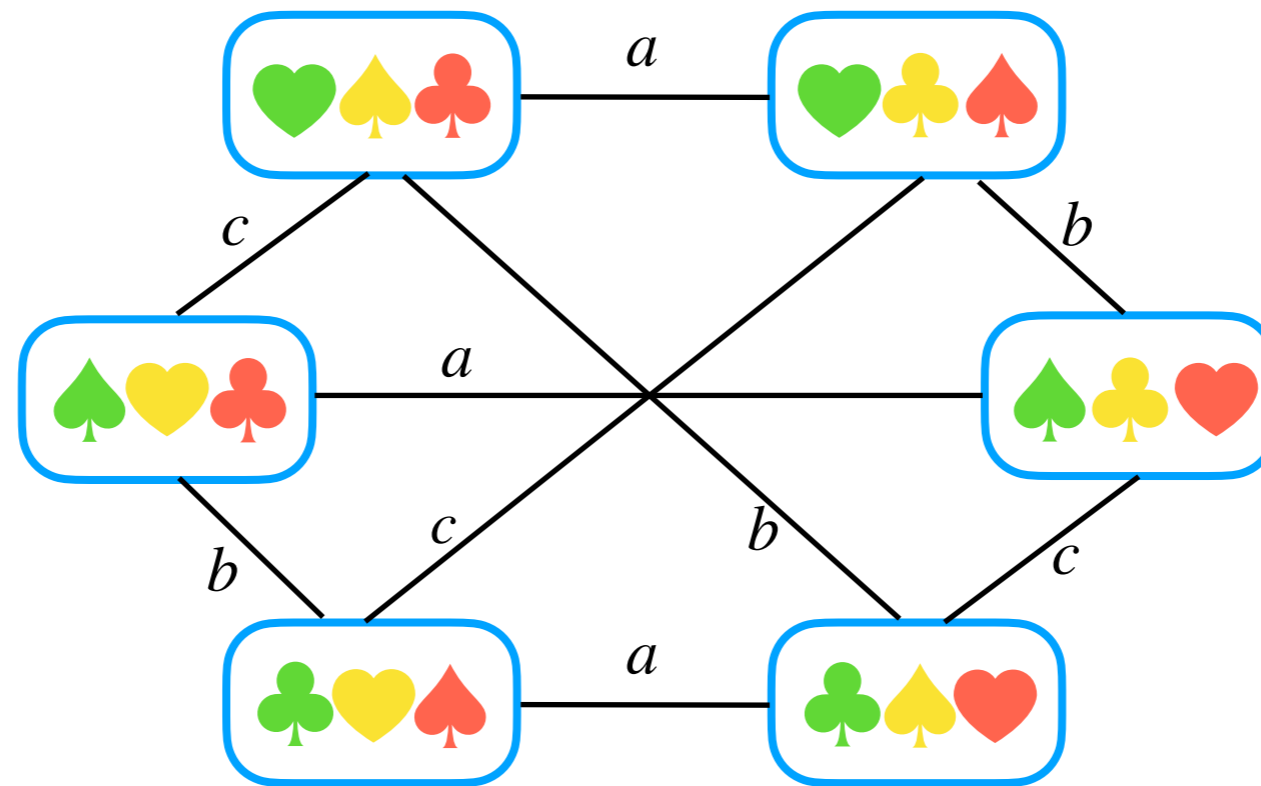
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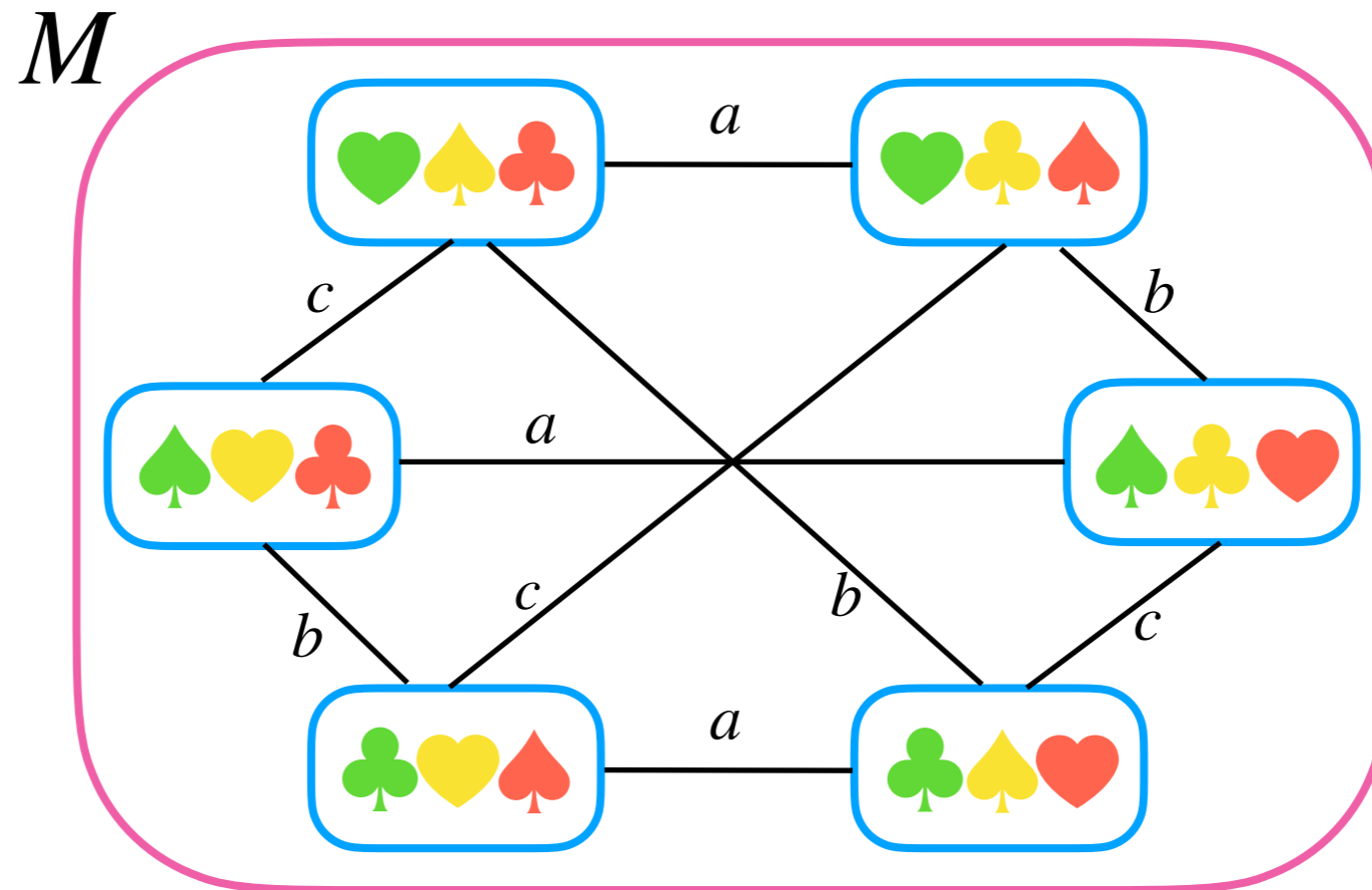
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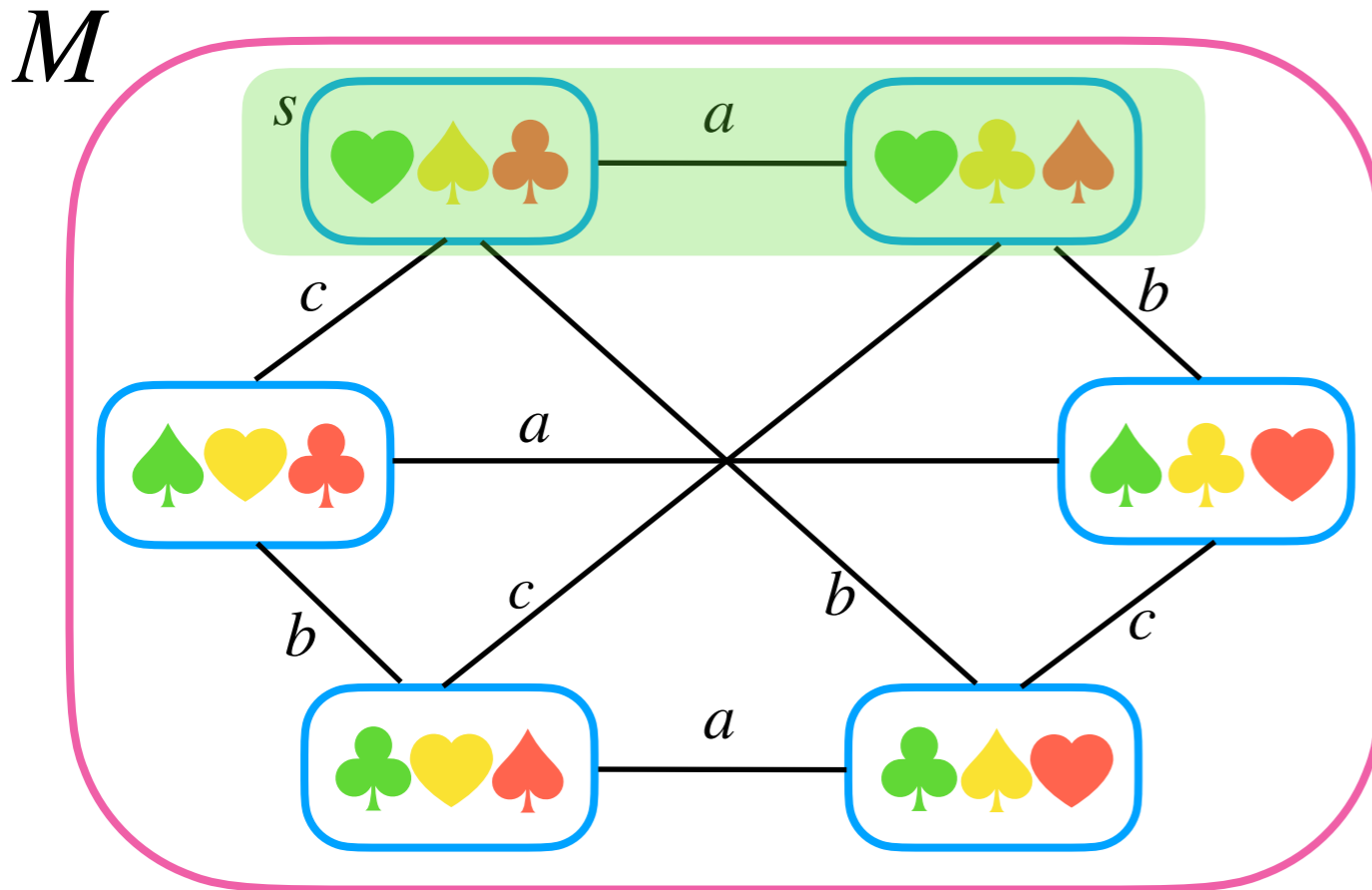
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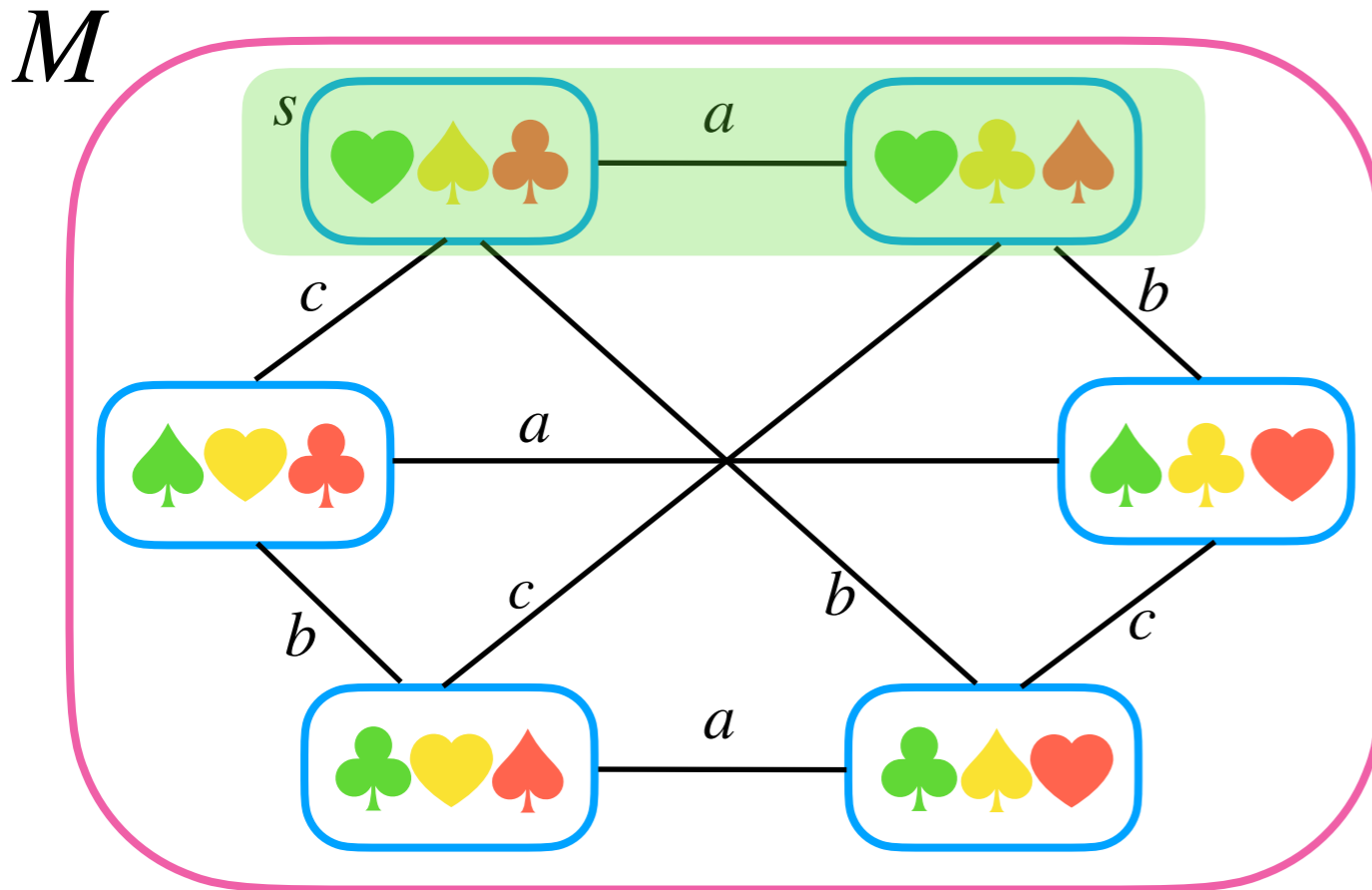
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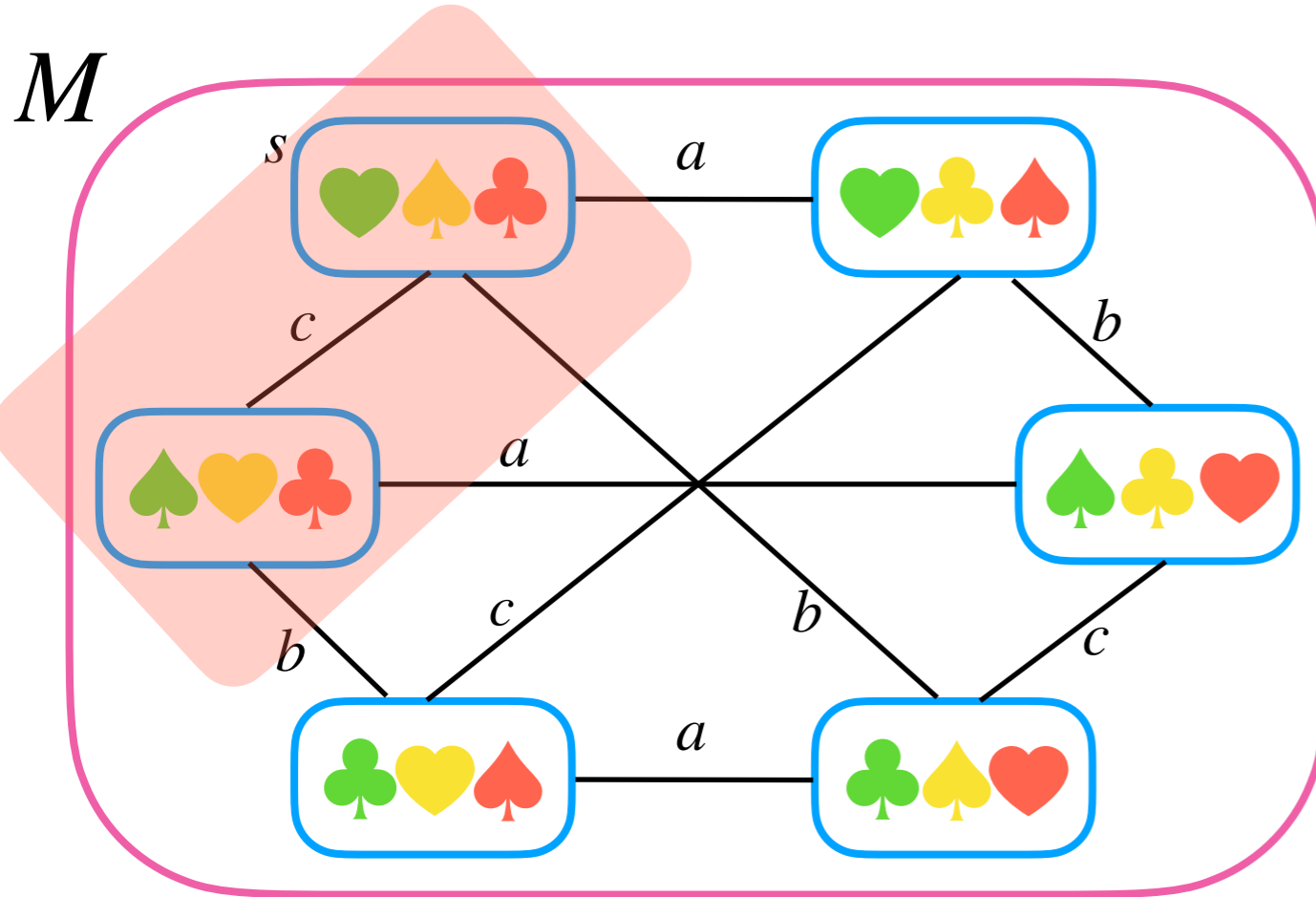
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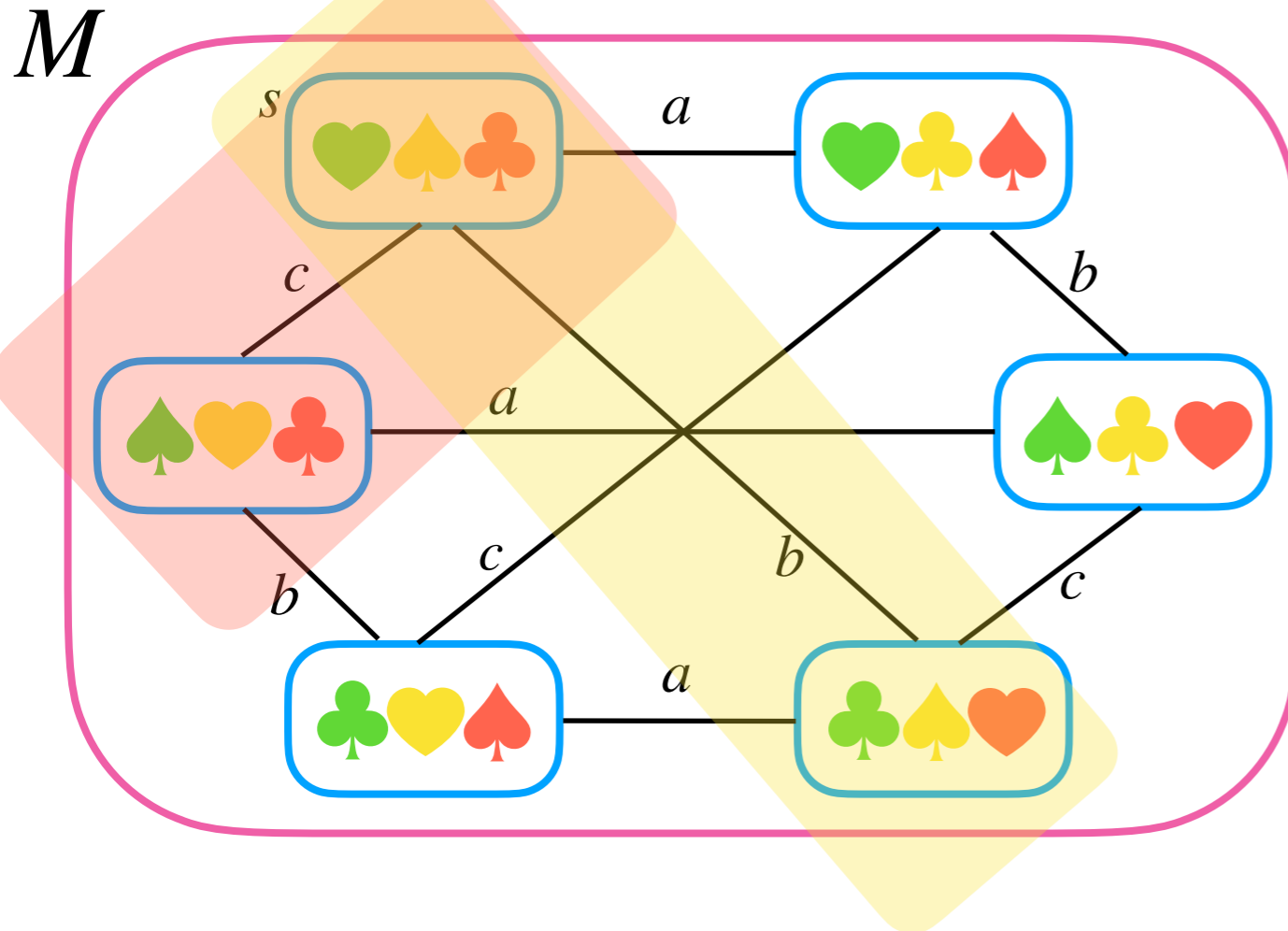
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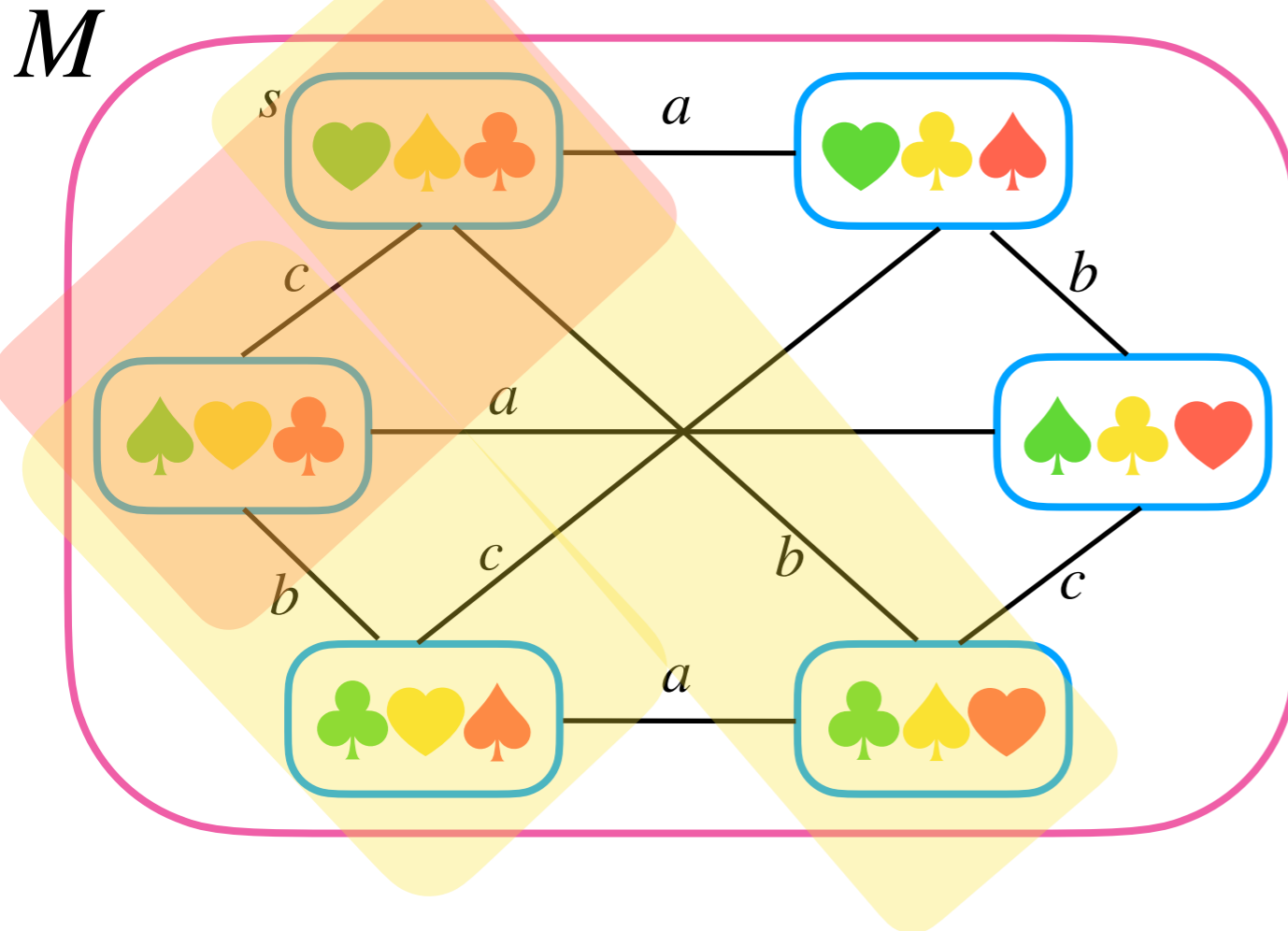
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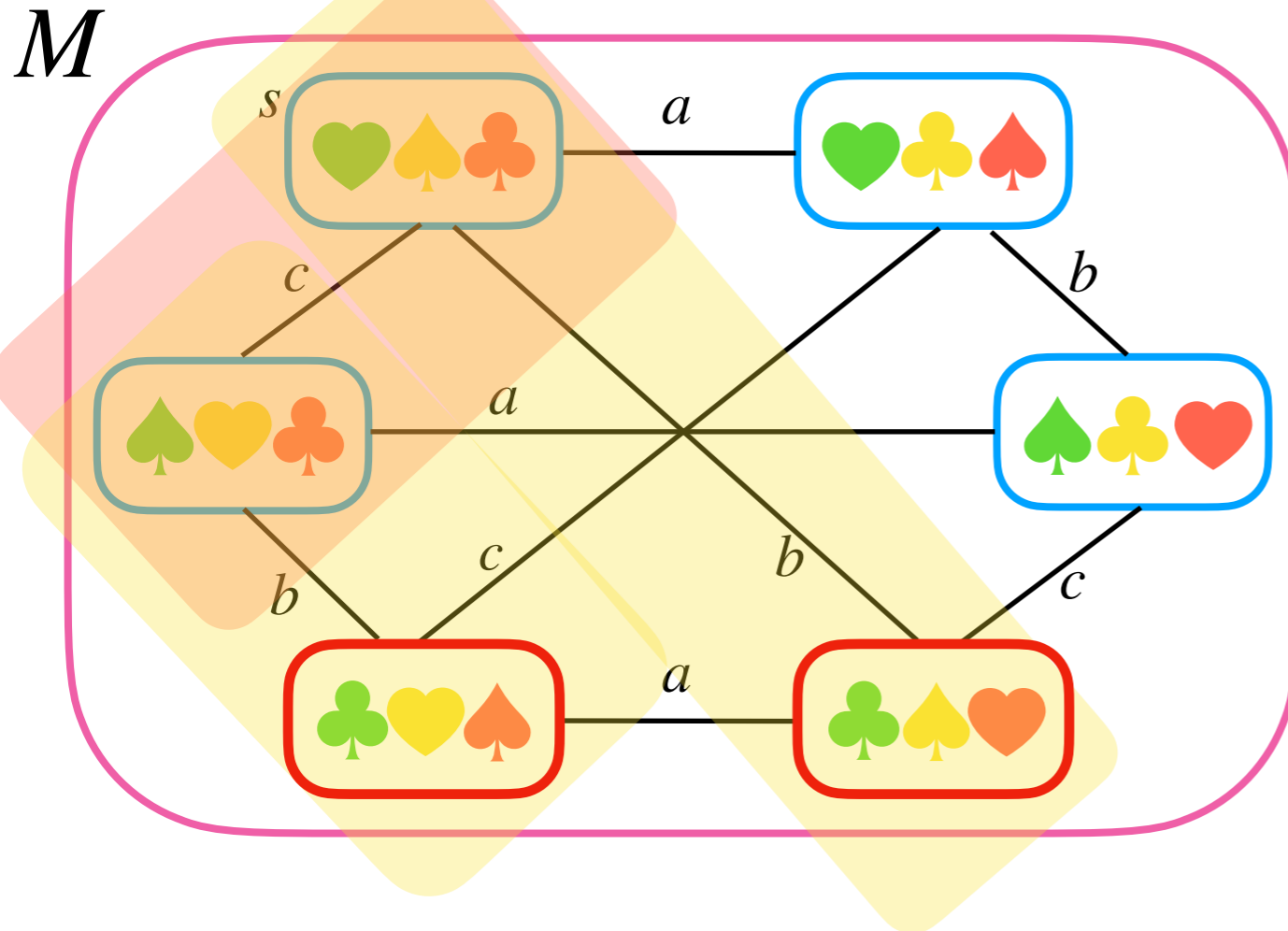
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# Epistemic Logic

Agents and propositions

Let  $A$  and  $P$  be countable sets of agents and propositional variables

Language of EL

$\mathcal{EL} \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid \Box_a \varphi$

Epistemic models

An **epistemic model**  $M$  is a tuple  $(S, \sim, V)$ , where

- $S \neq \emptyset$  is a set of states;
- $\sim: A \rightarrow 2^{S \times S}$  is an indistinguishability function with each  $\sim_a$  being an equivalence relation;
- $V: P \rightarrow 2^S$  is the valuation function.

Pointed model

A pair of  $M$  and  $s \in S$  is called a **pointed model** and is denoted as  $M_s$

# Semantics of EL

$$M_s \models p \text{ iff } s \in V(p)$$

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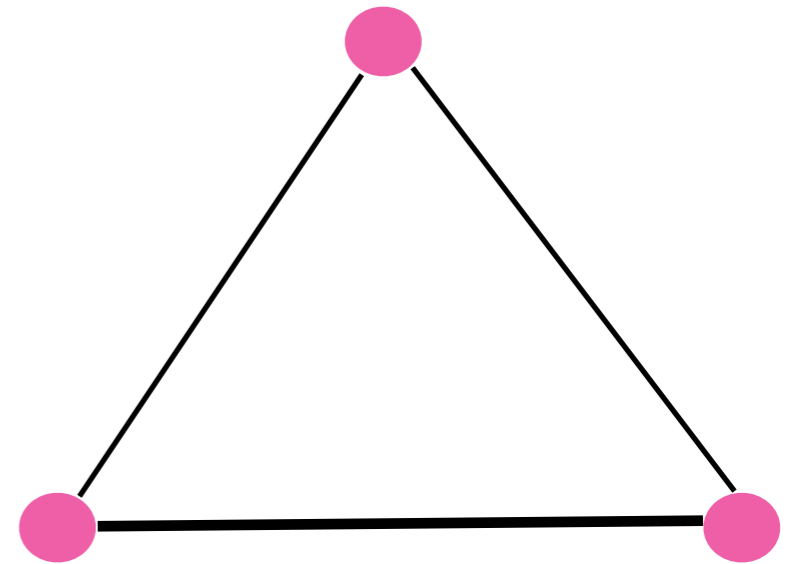
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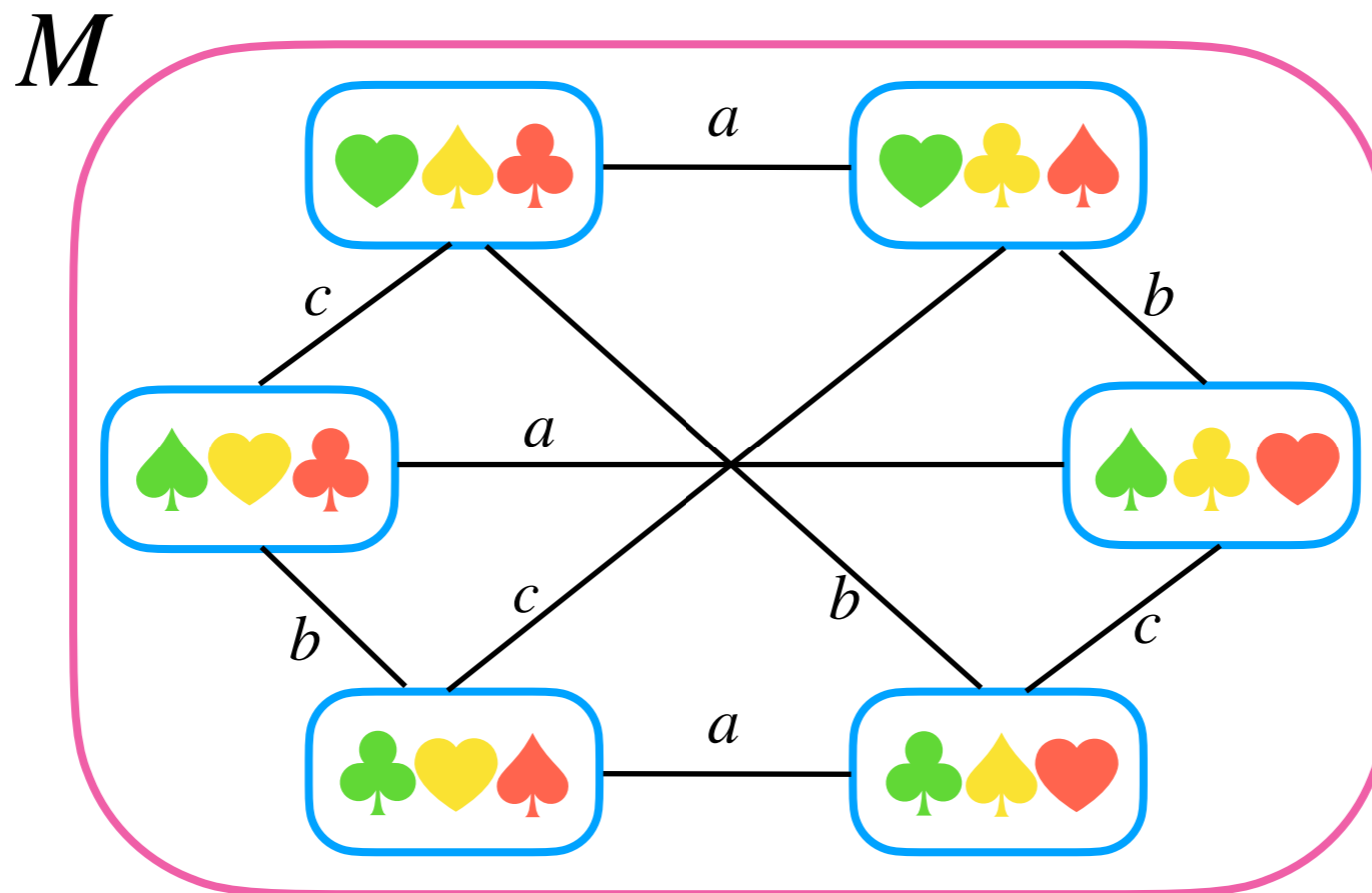
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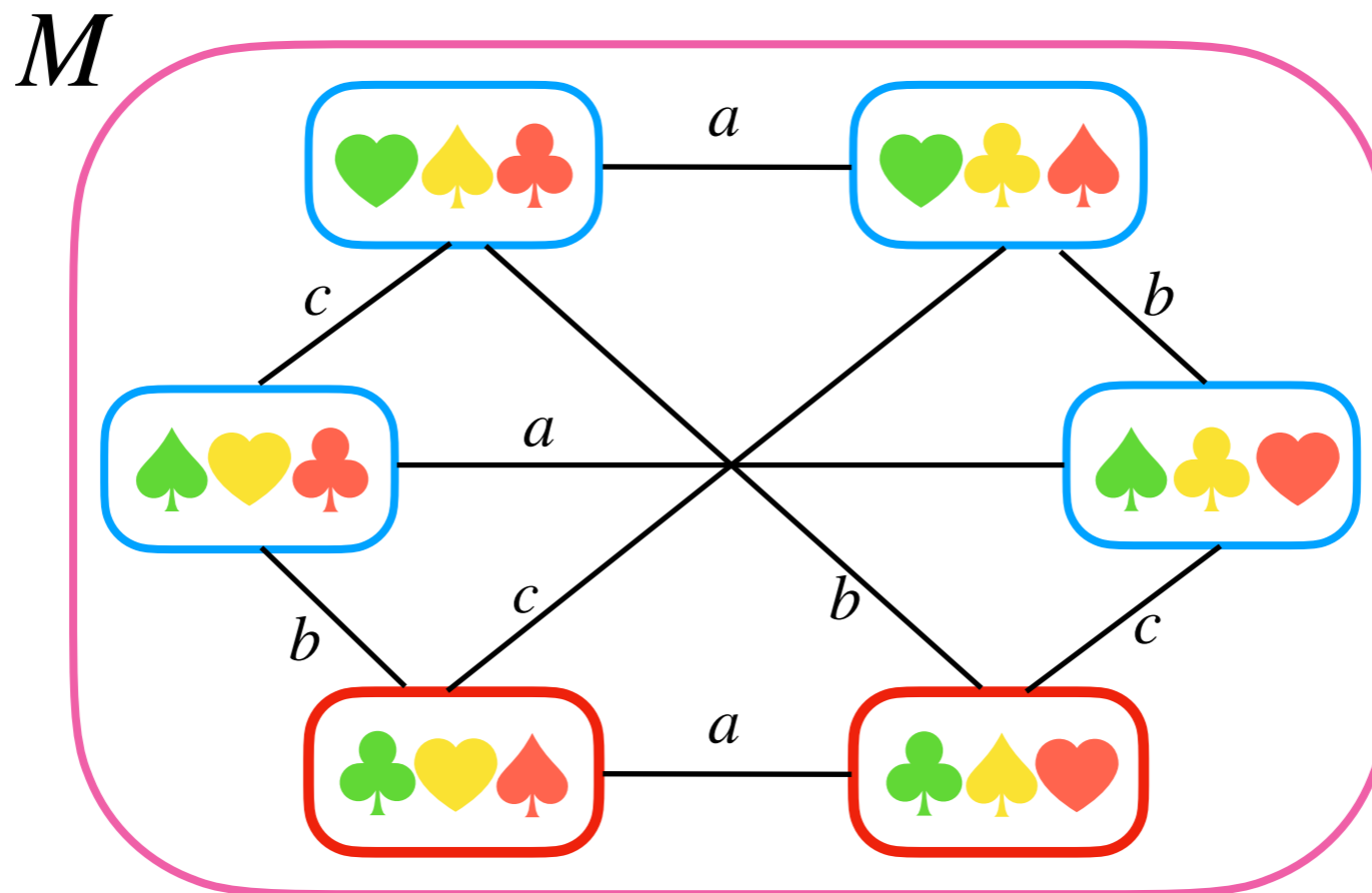
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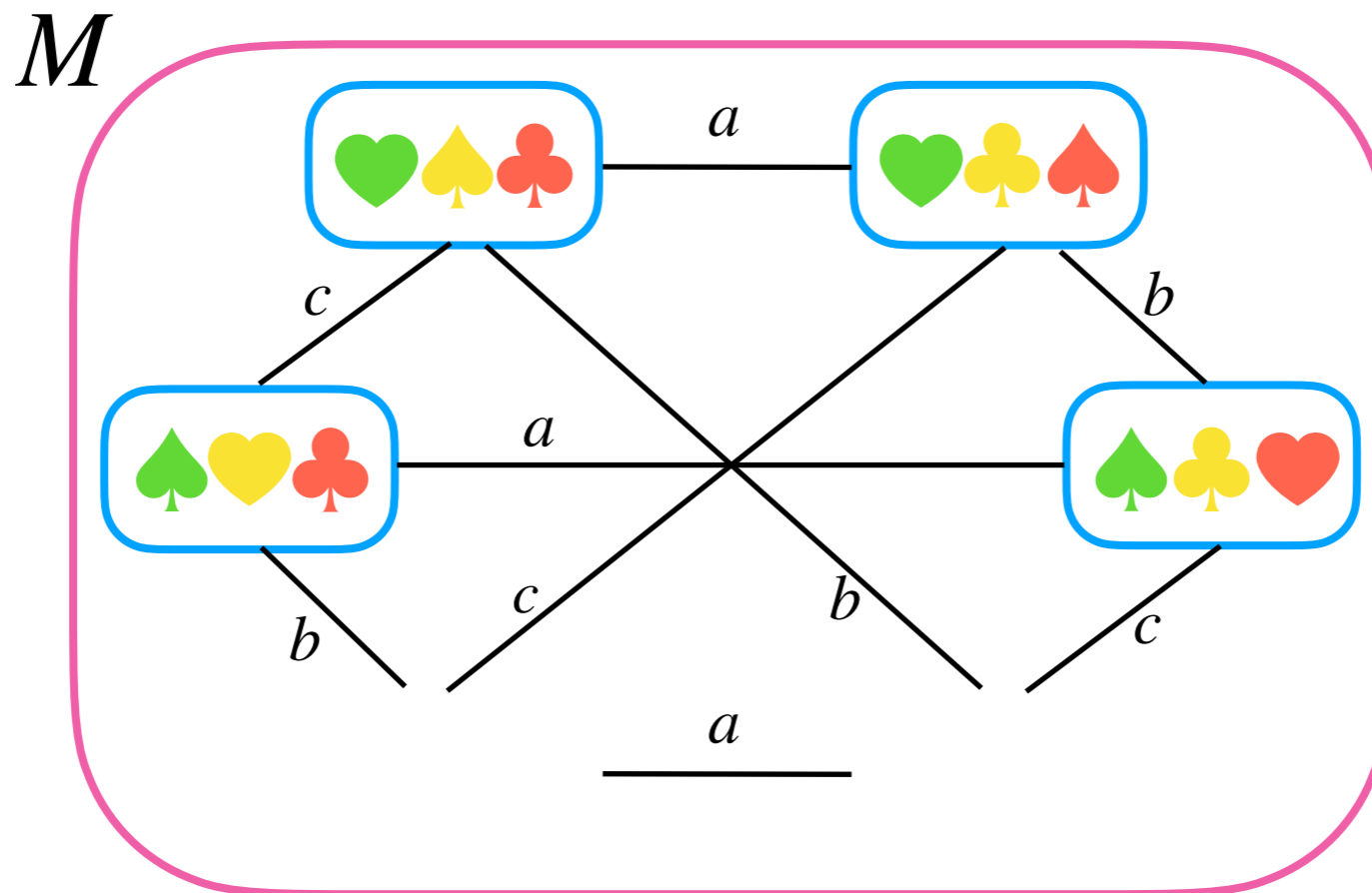
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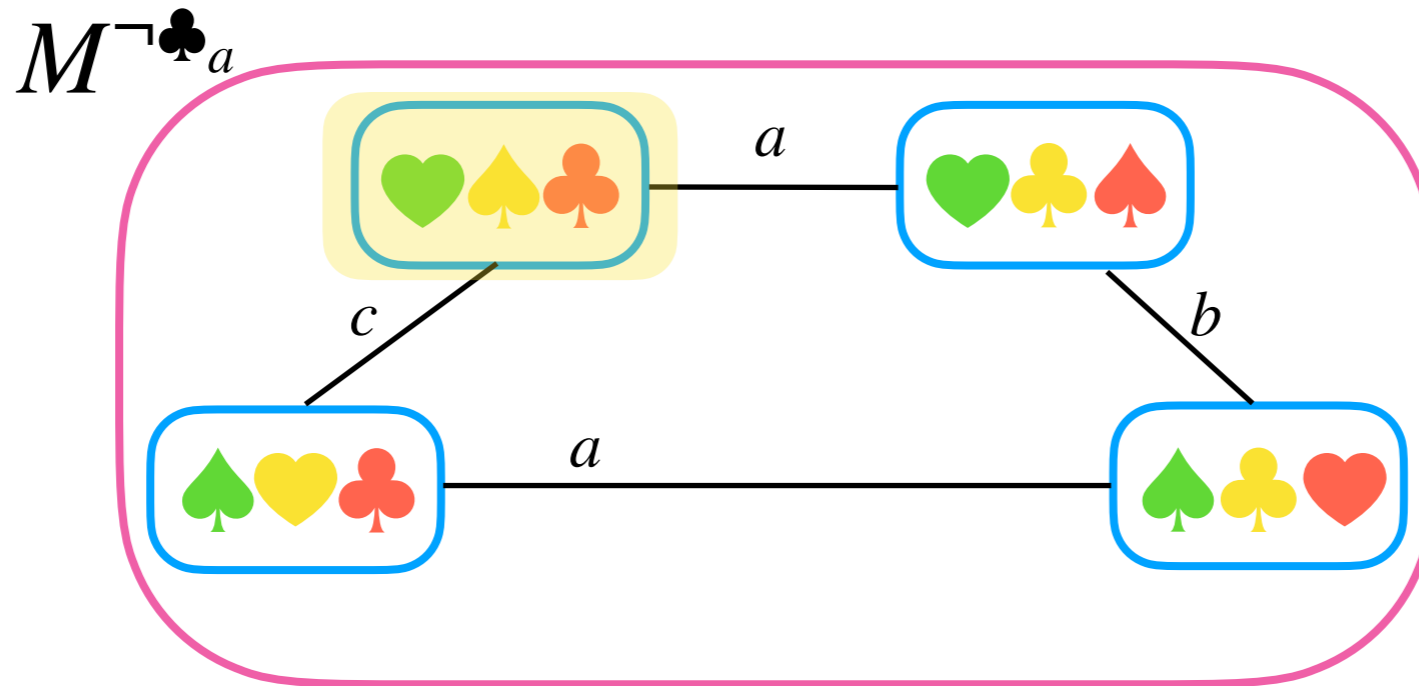
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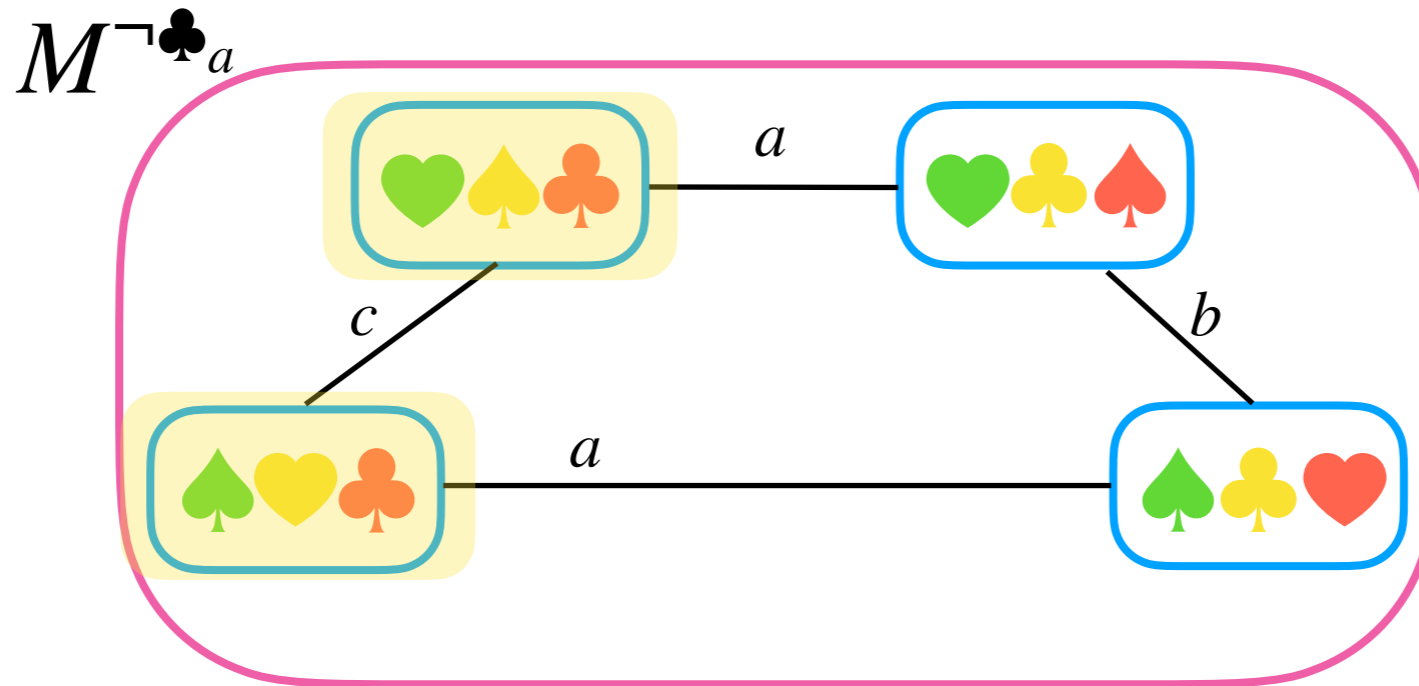
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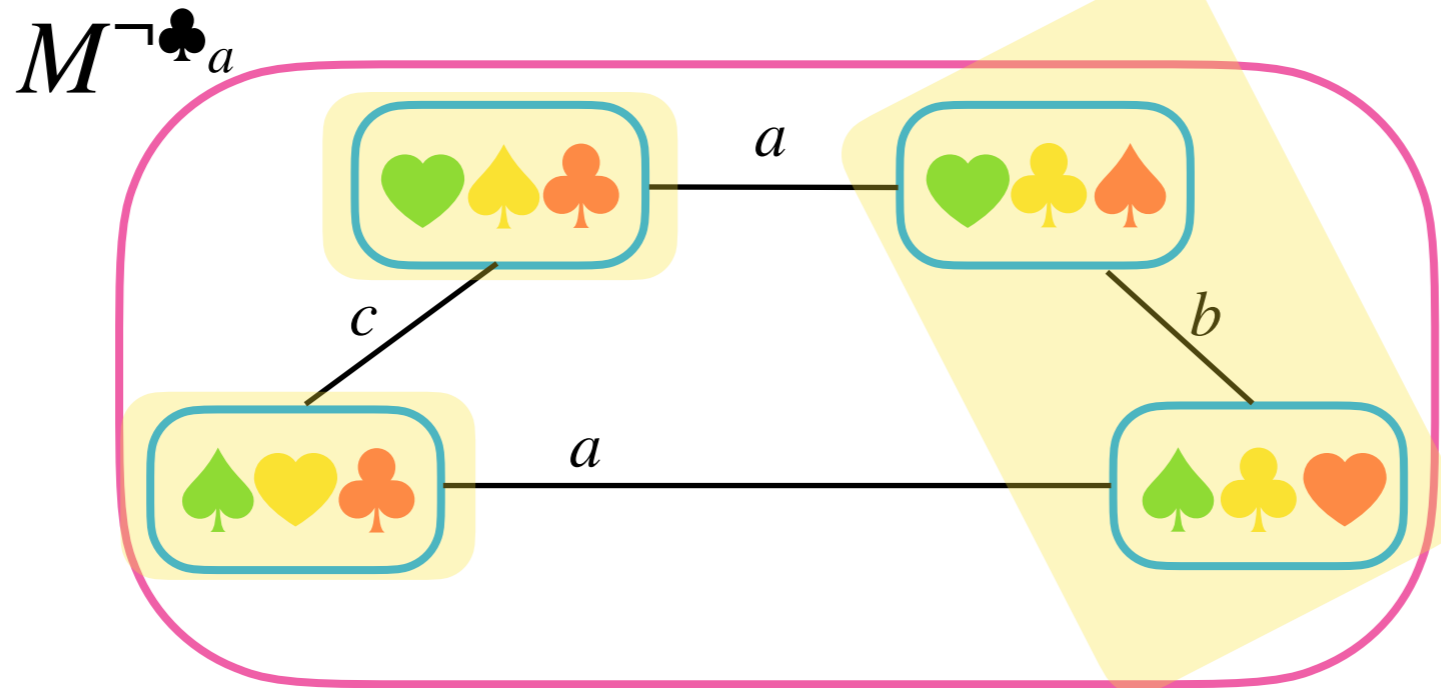
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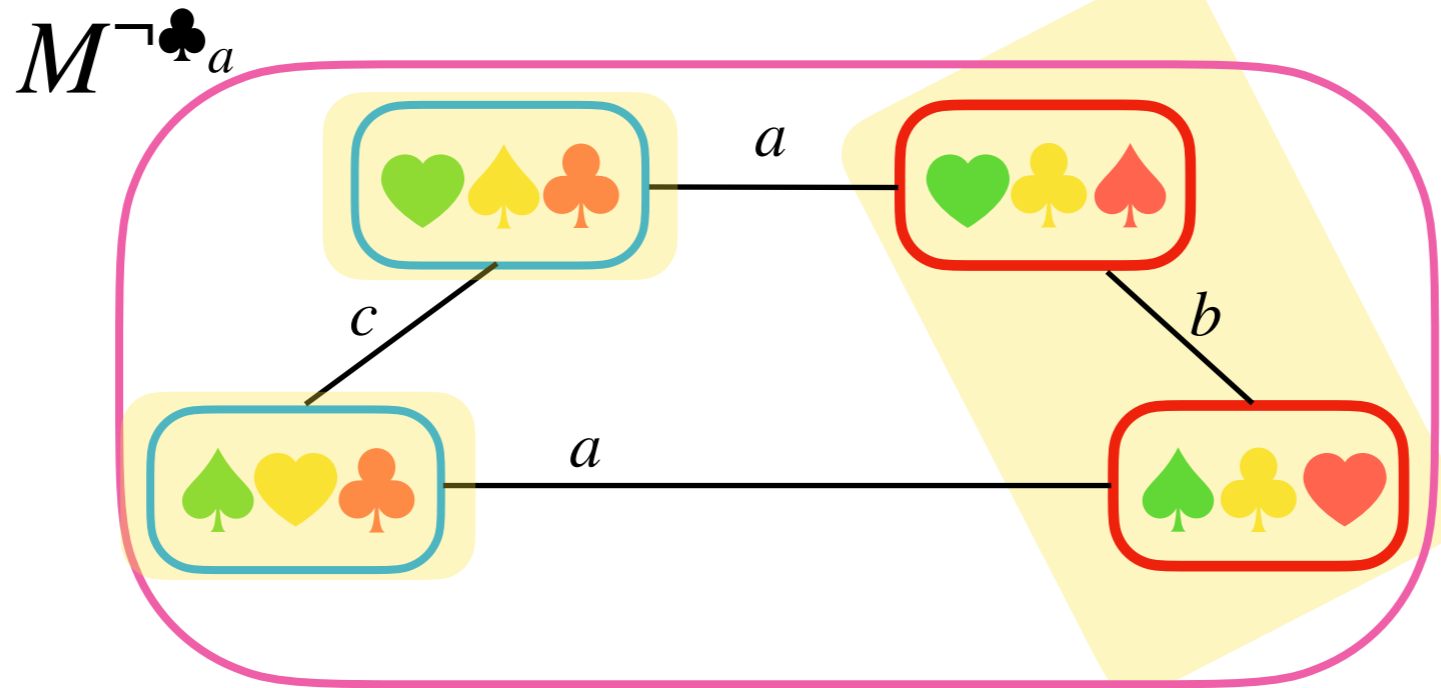
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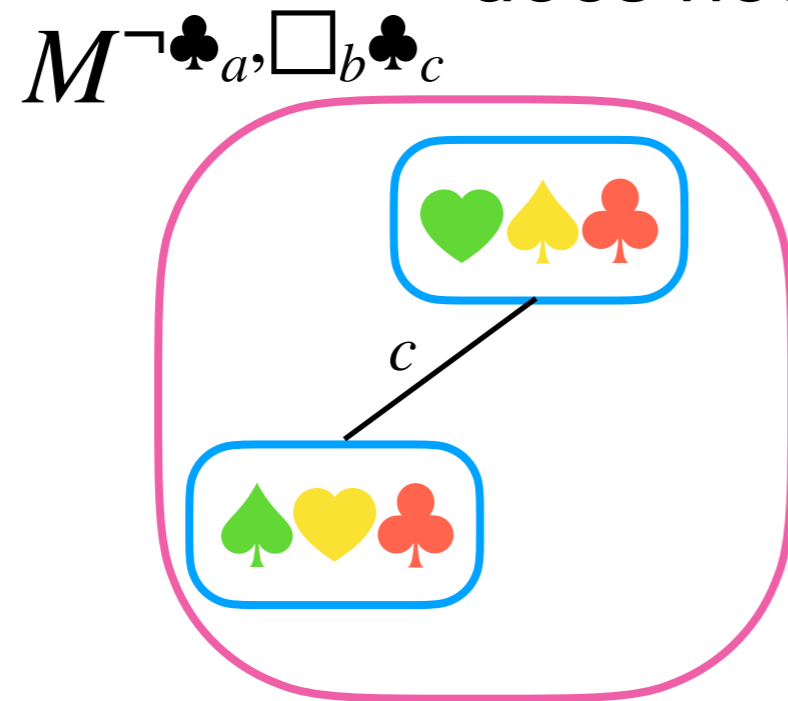


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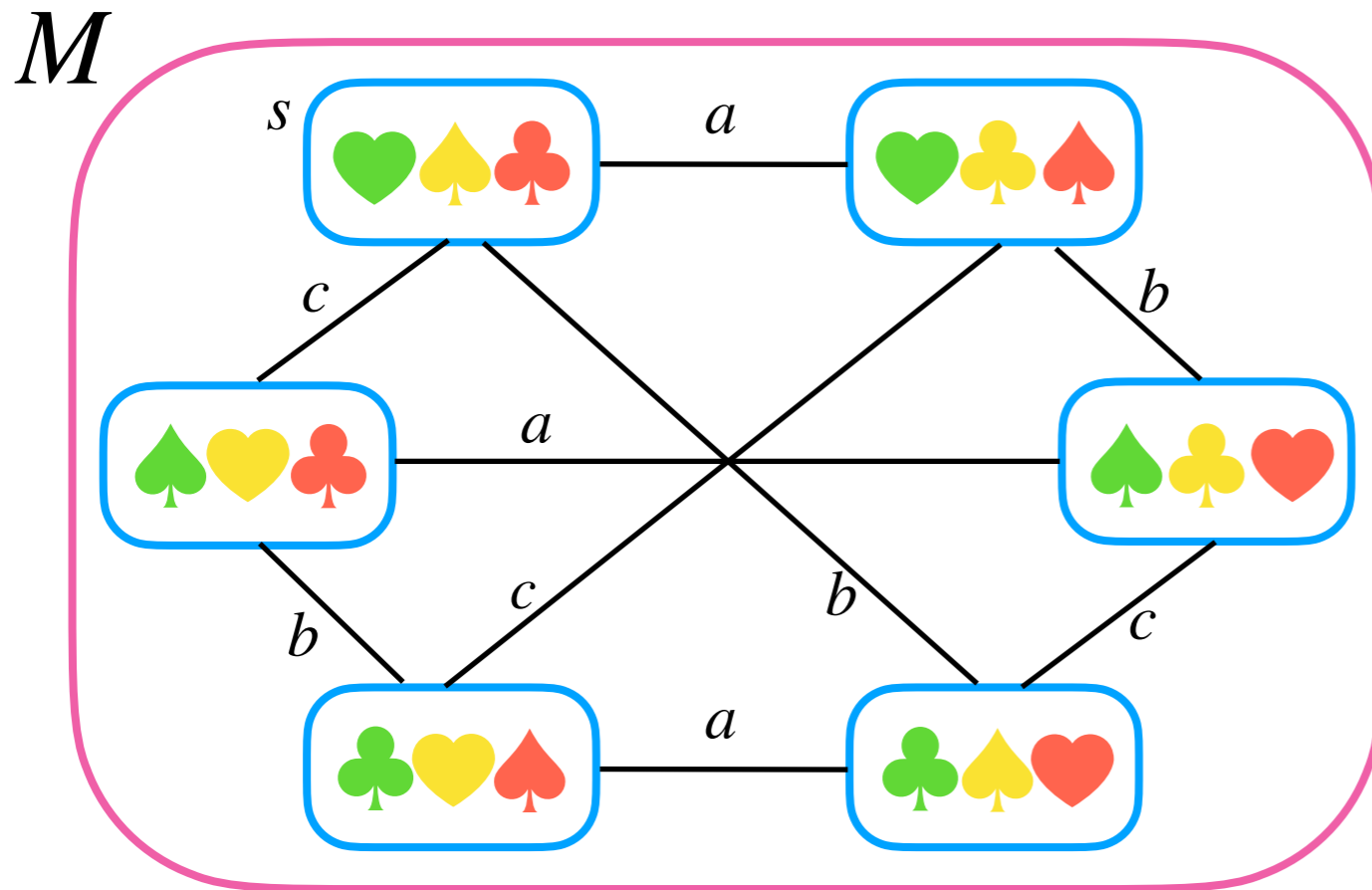
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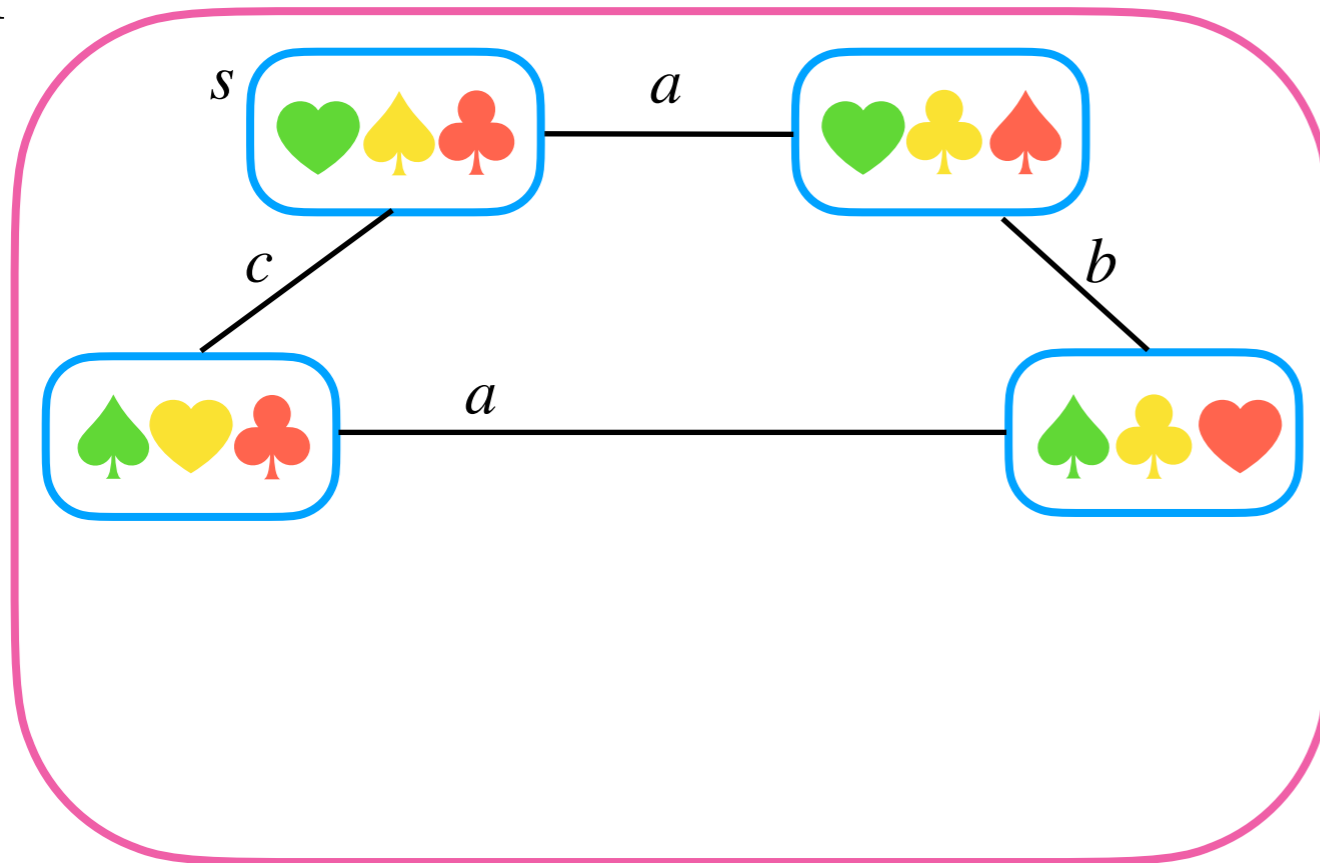
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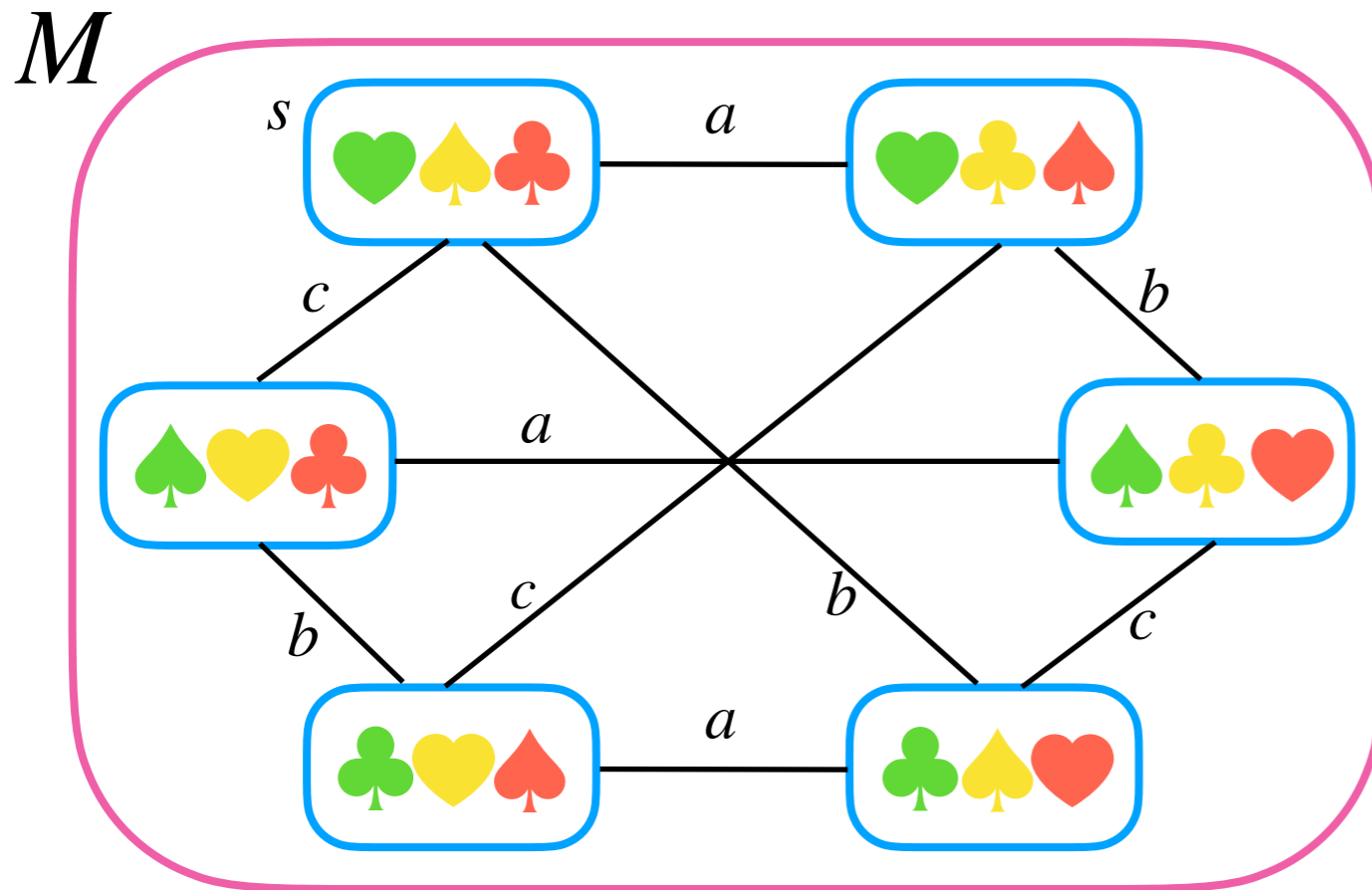


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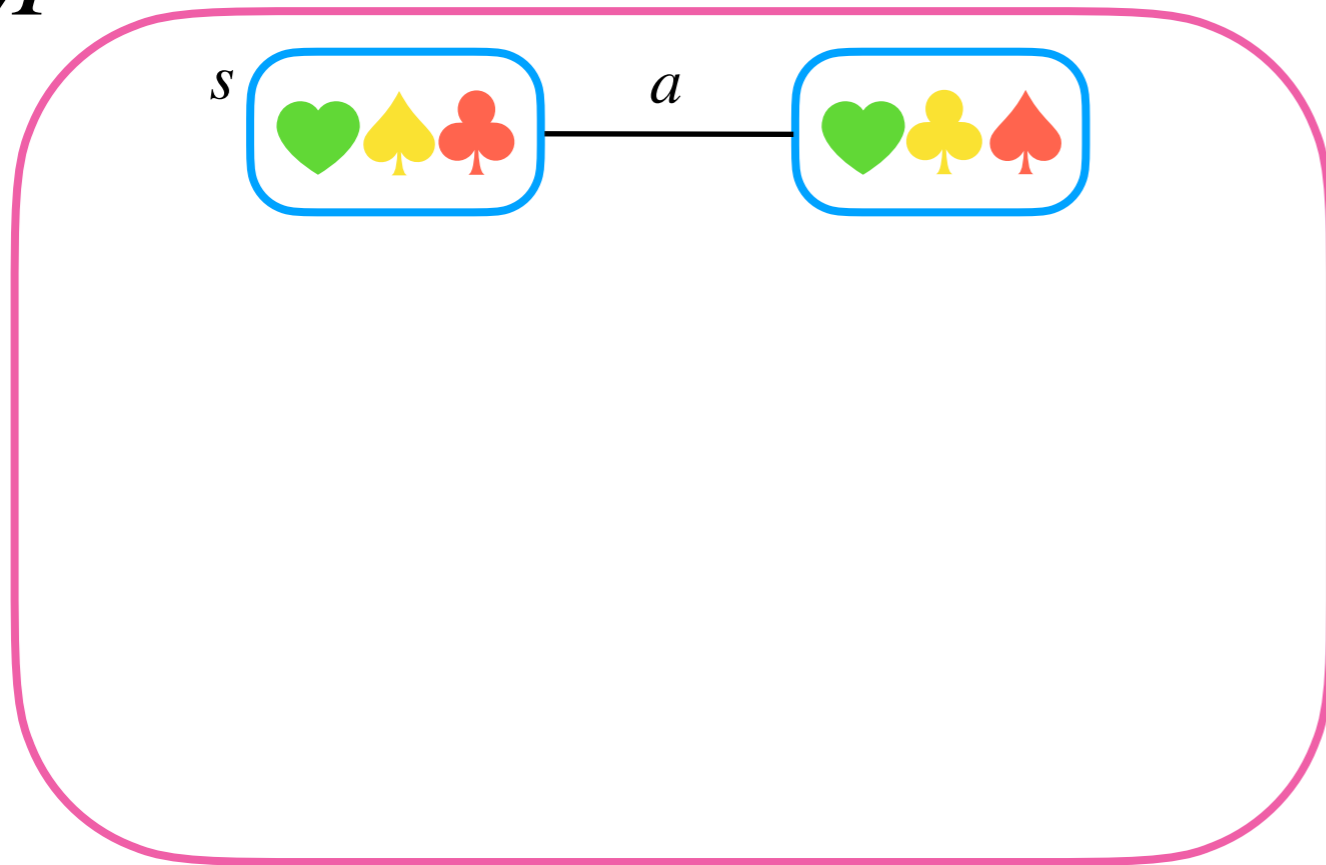
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Updated model

Let  $M = (S, \sim, V)$  and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{PAL}$ . An **updated model**  $M^\varphi$  is a tuple  $(S^\varphi, \sim^\varphi, V^\varphi)$ , where

- $S^\varphi = \{s \in S \mid M_s \models \varphi\}$ ;
- $\sim_a^\varphi = \sim_a \cap (S^\varphi \times S^\varphi)$ ;
- $V^\varphi(p) = V(p) \cap S^\varphi$ .

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Axioms of EL

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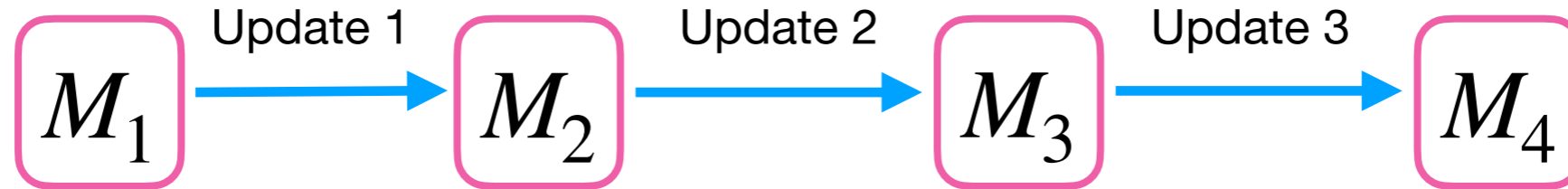
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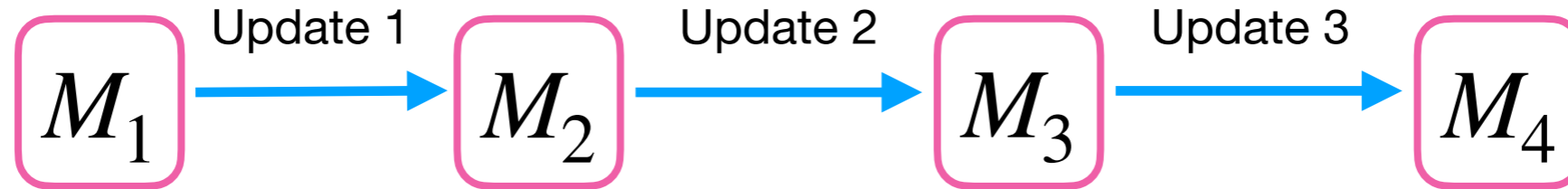
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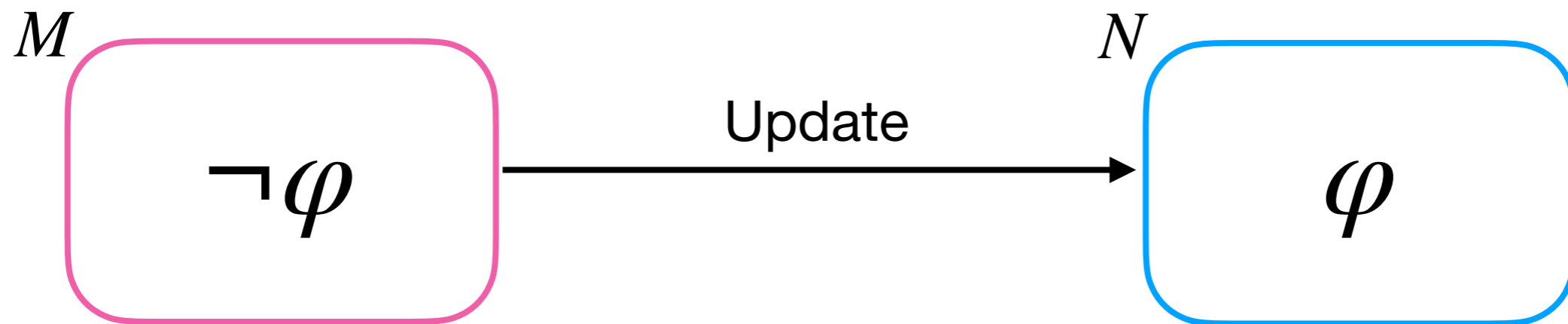
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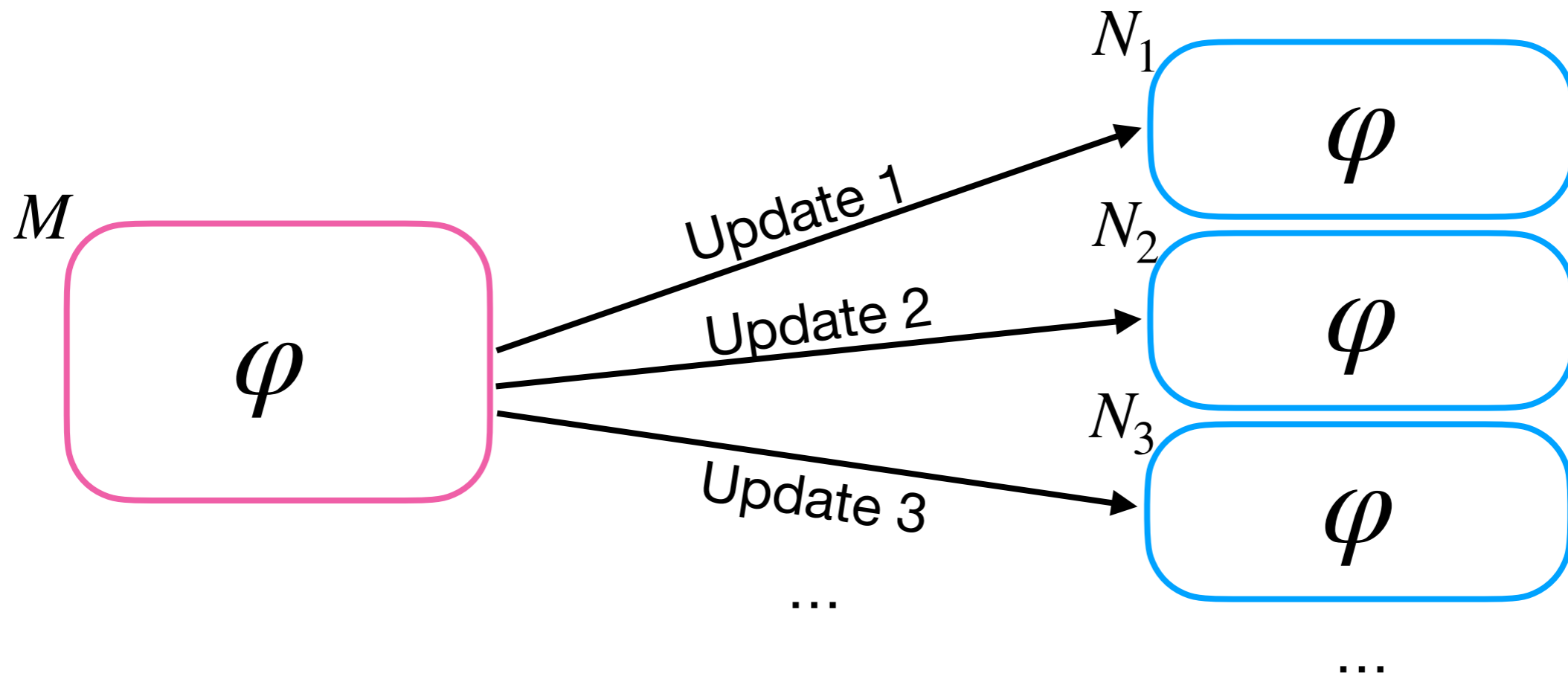
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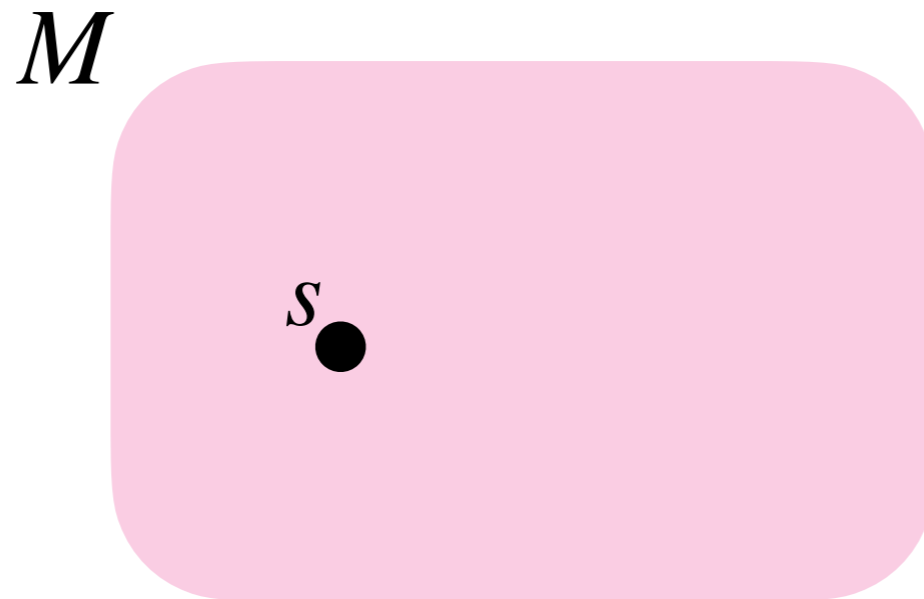
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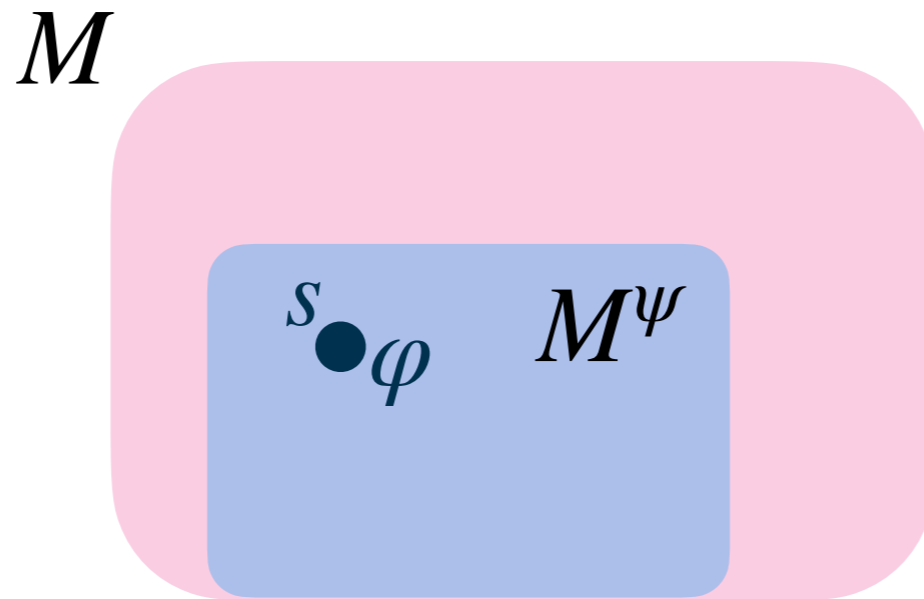
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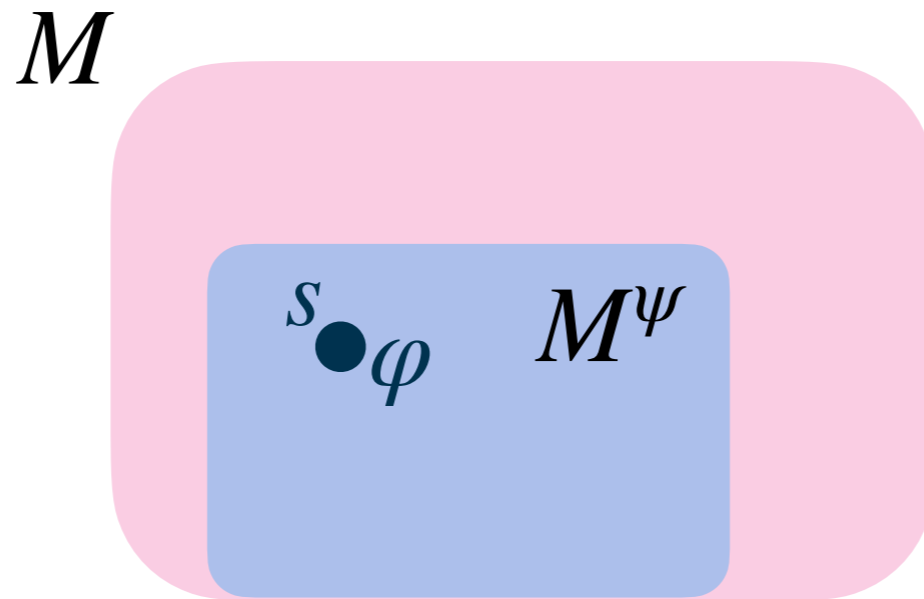
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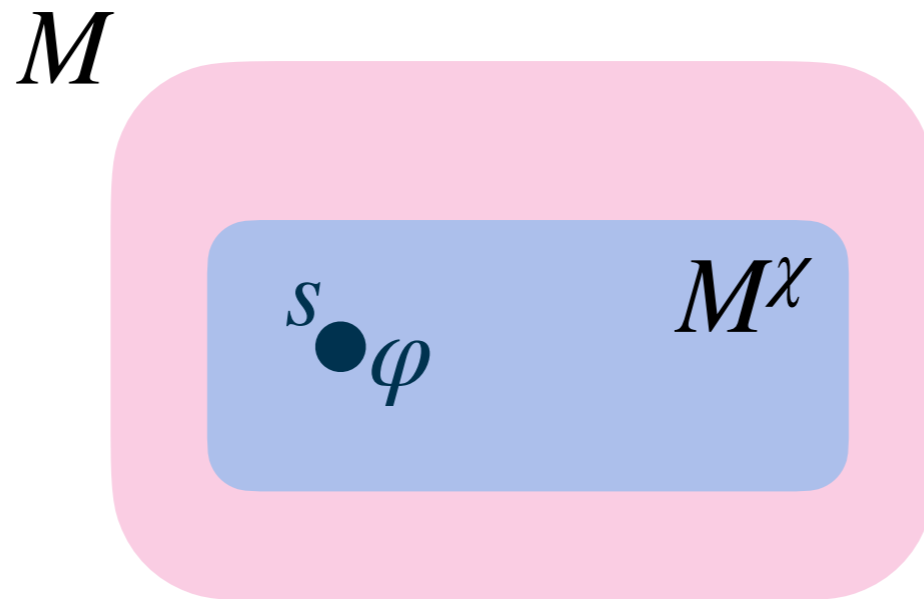


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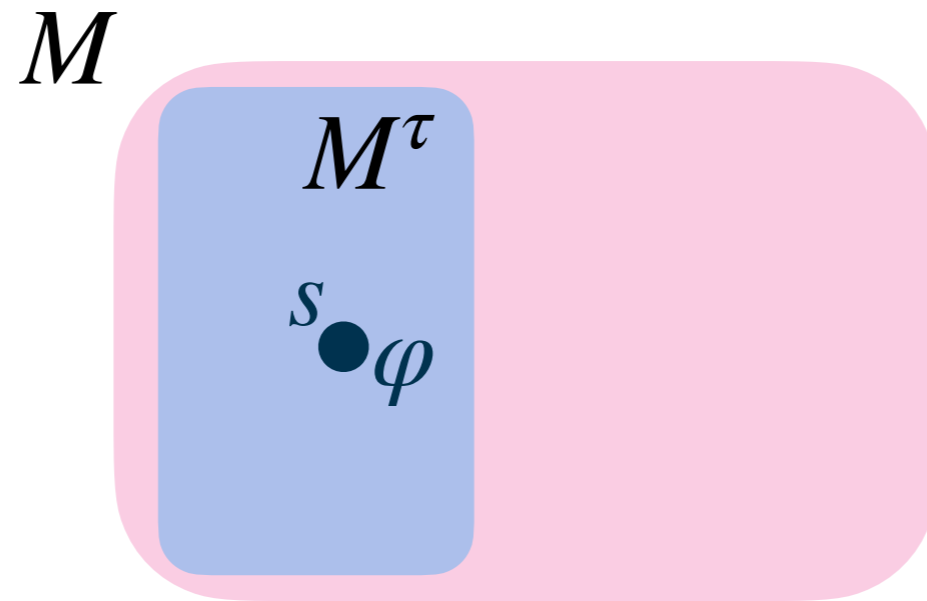
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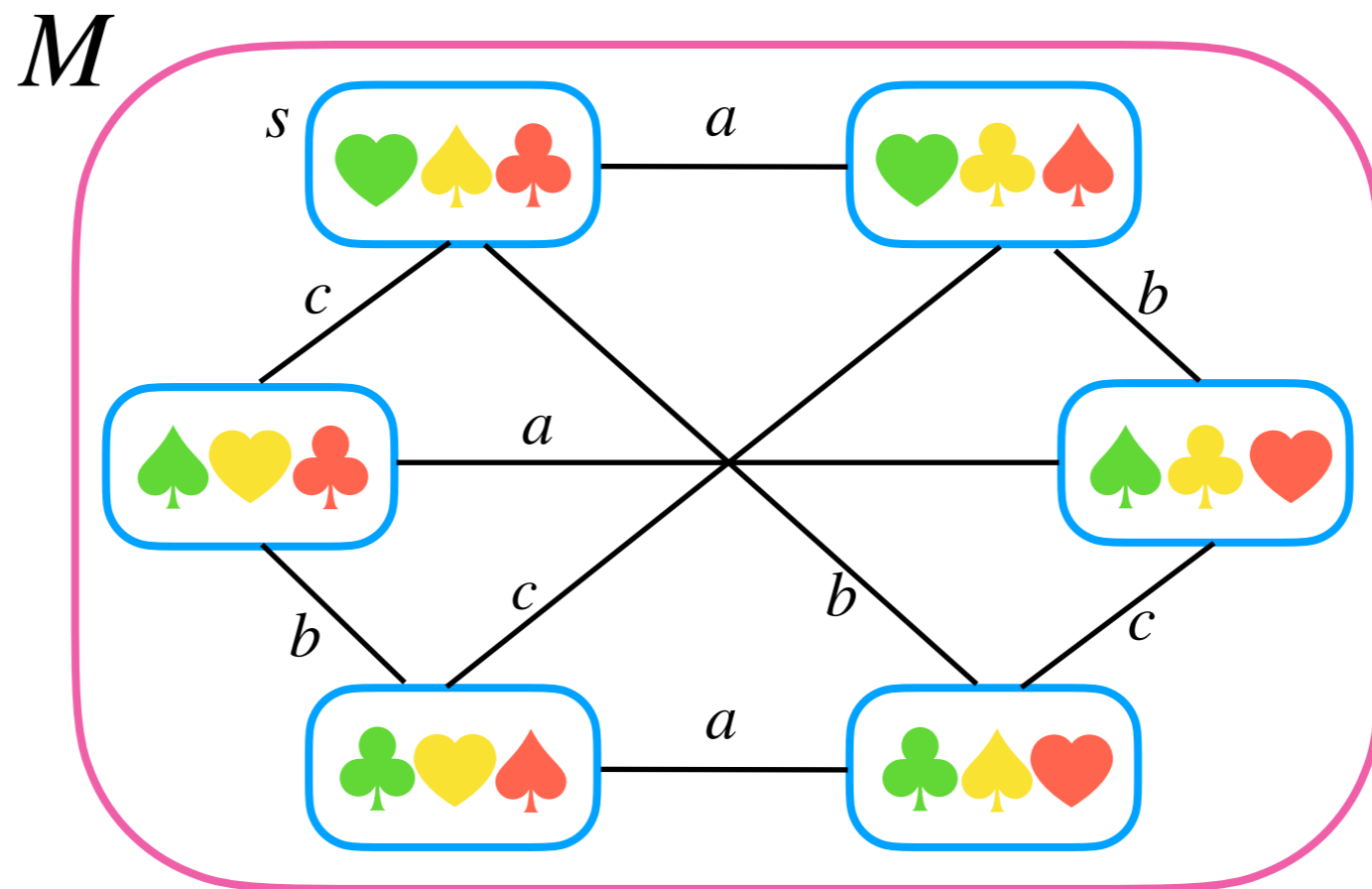
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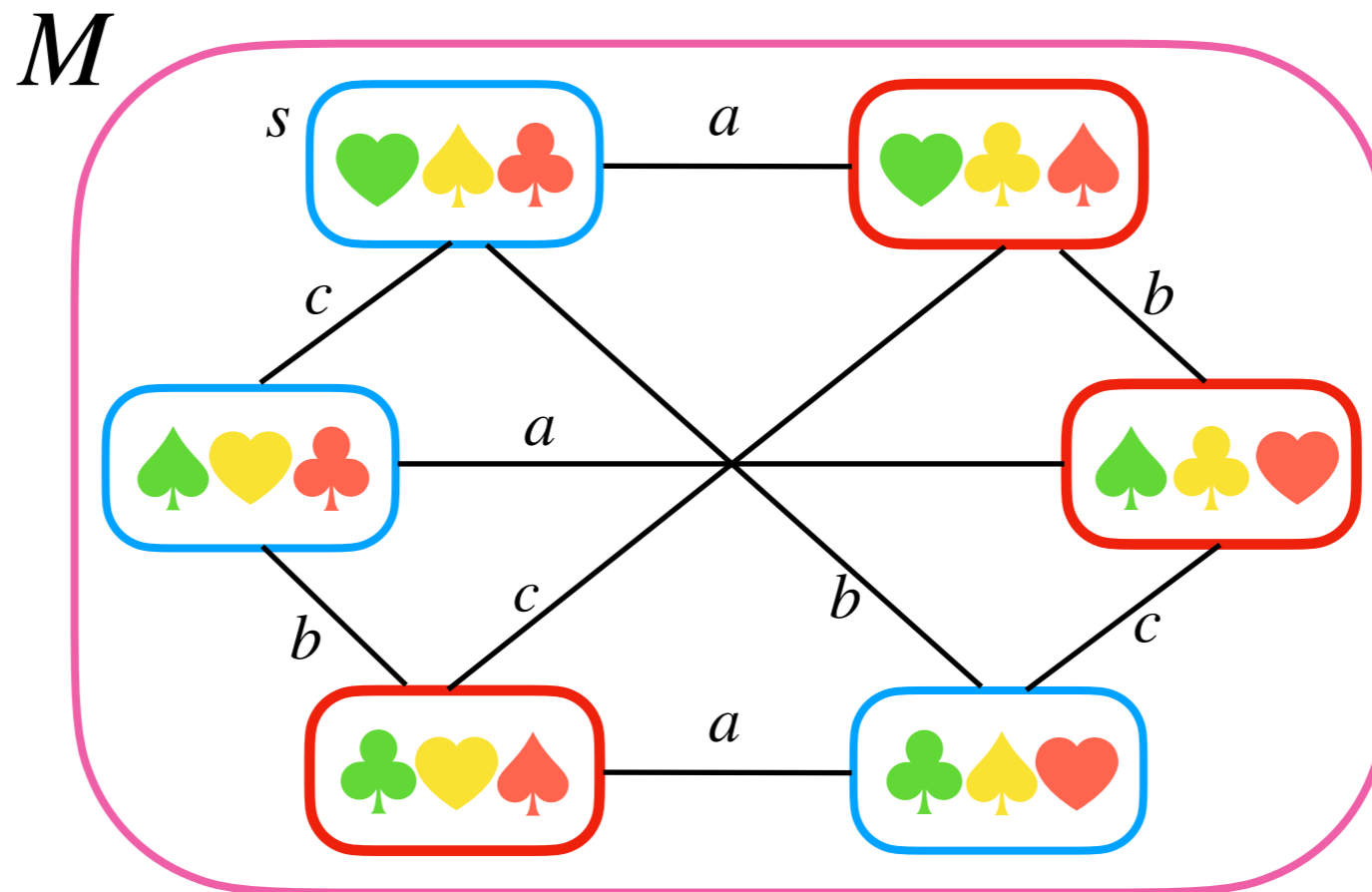


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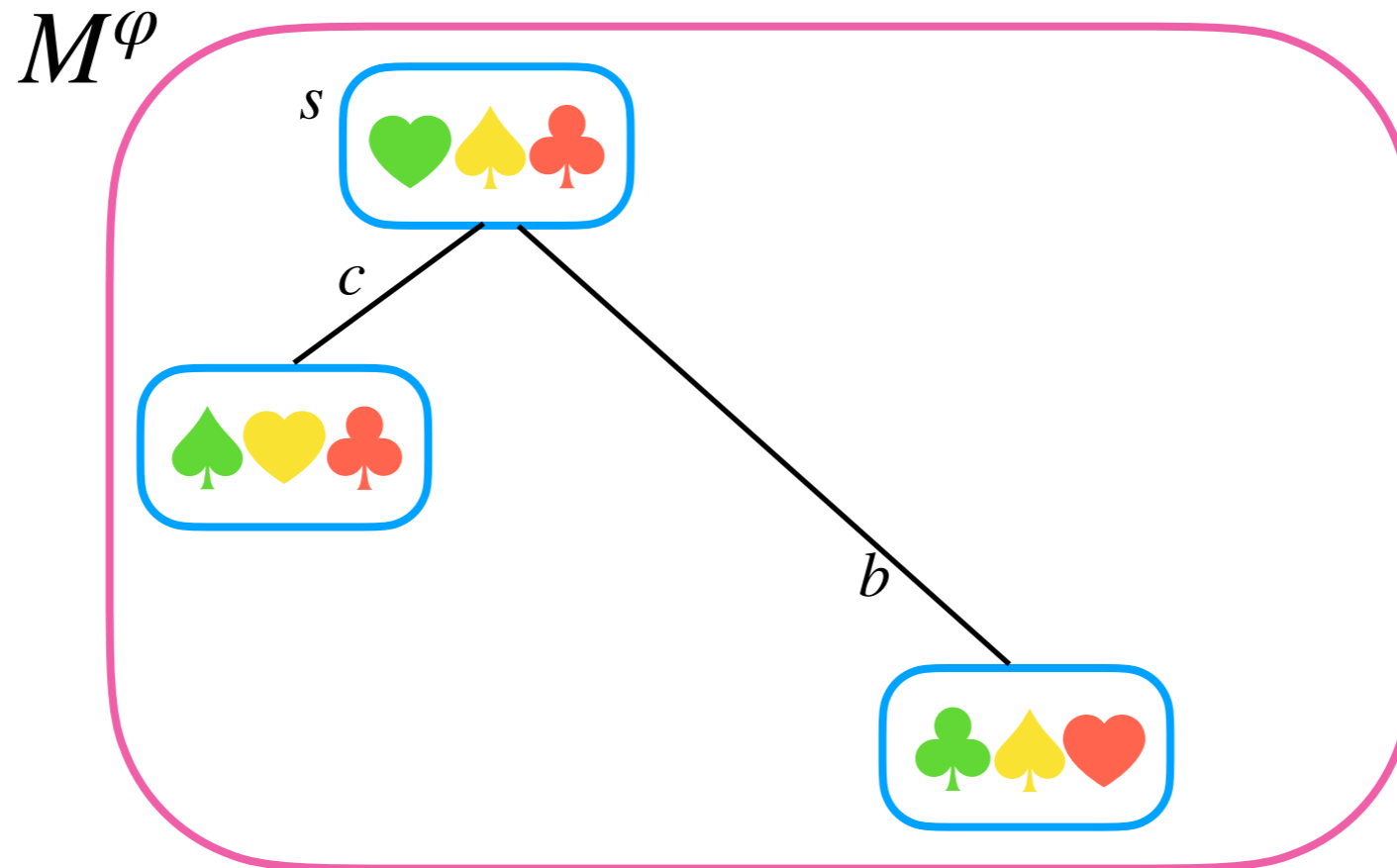


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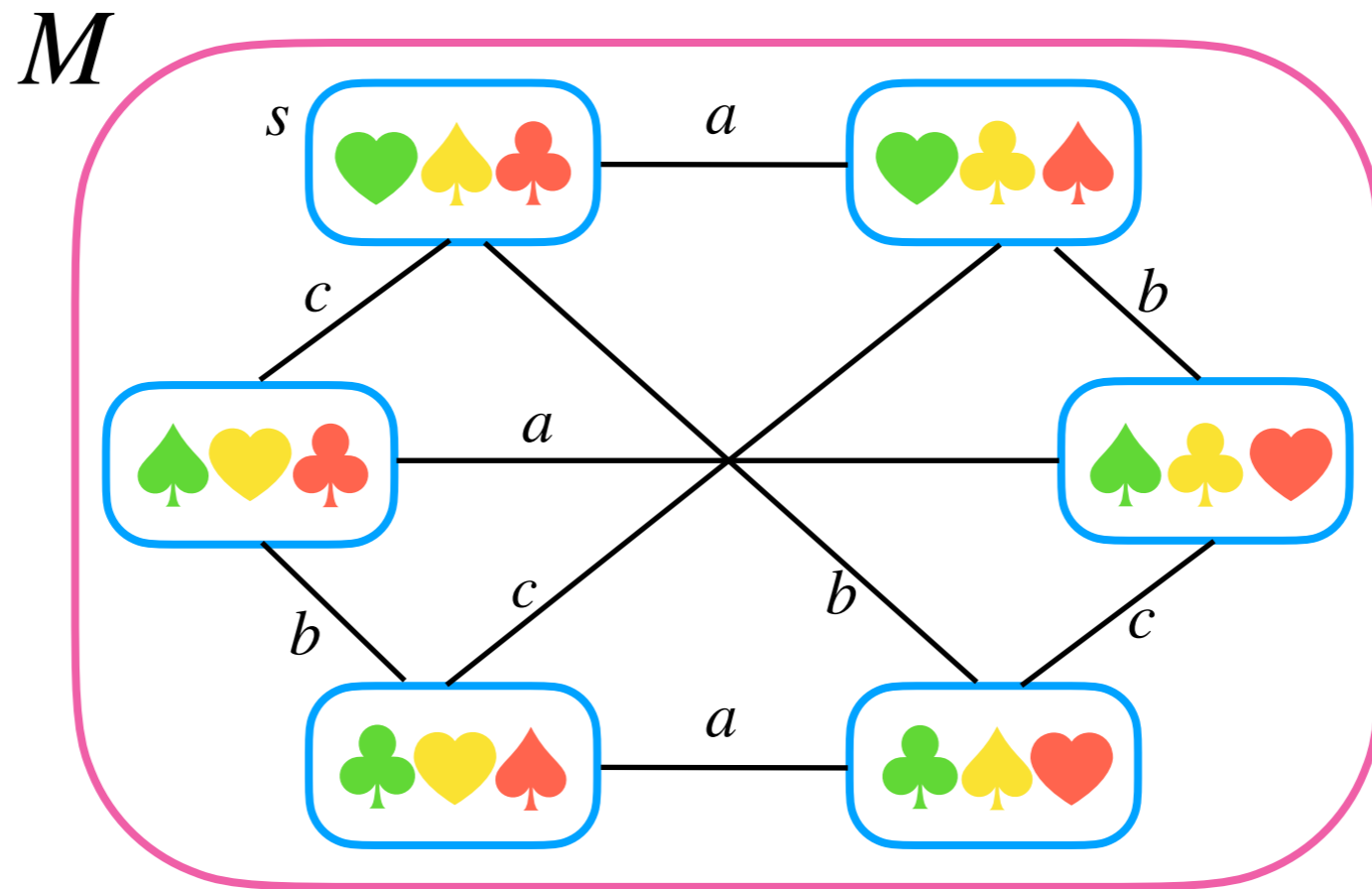


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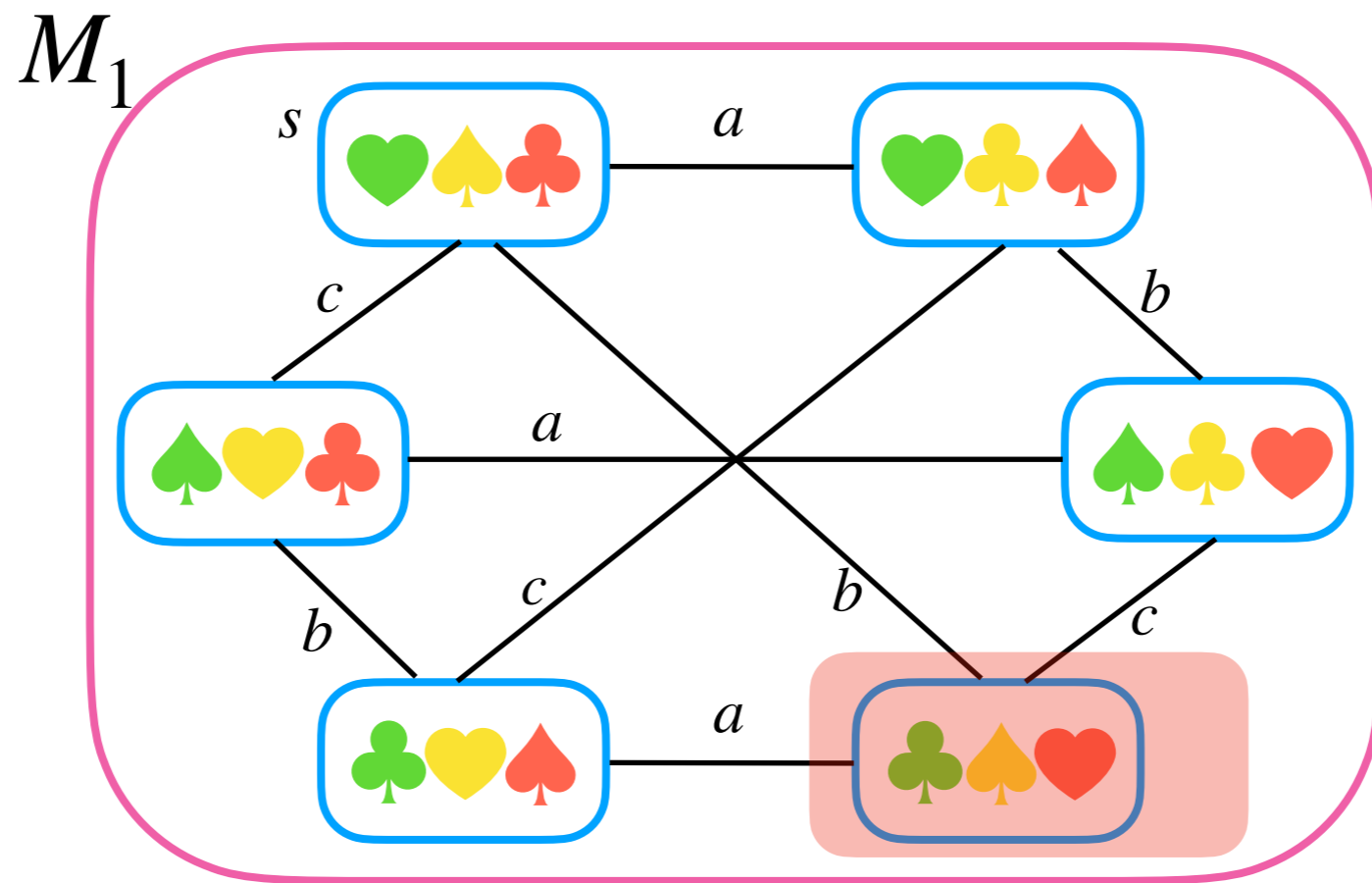
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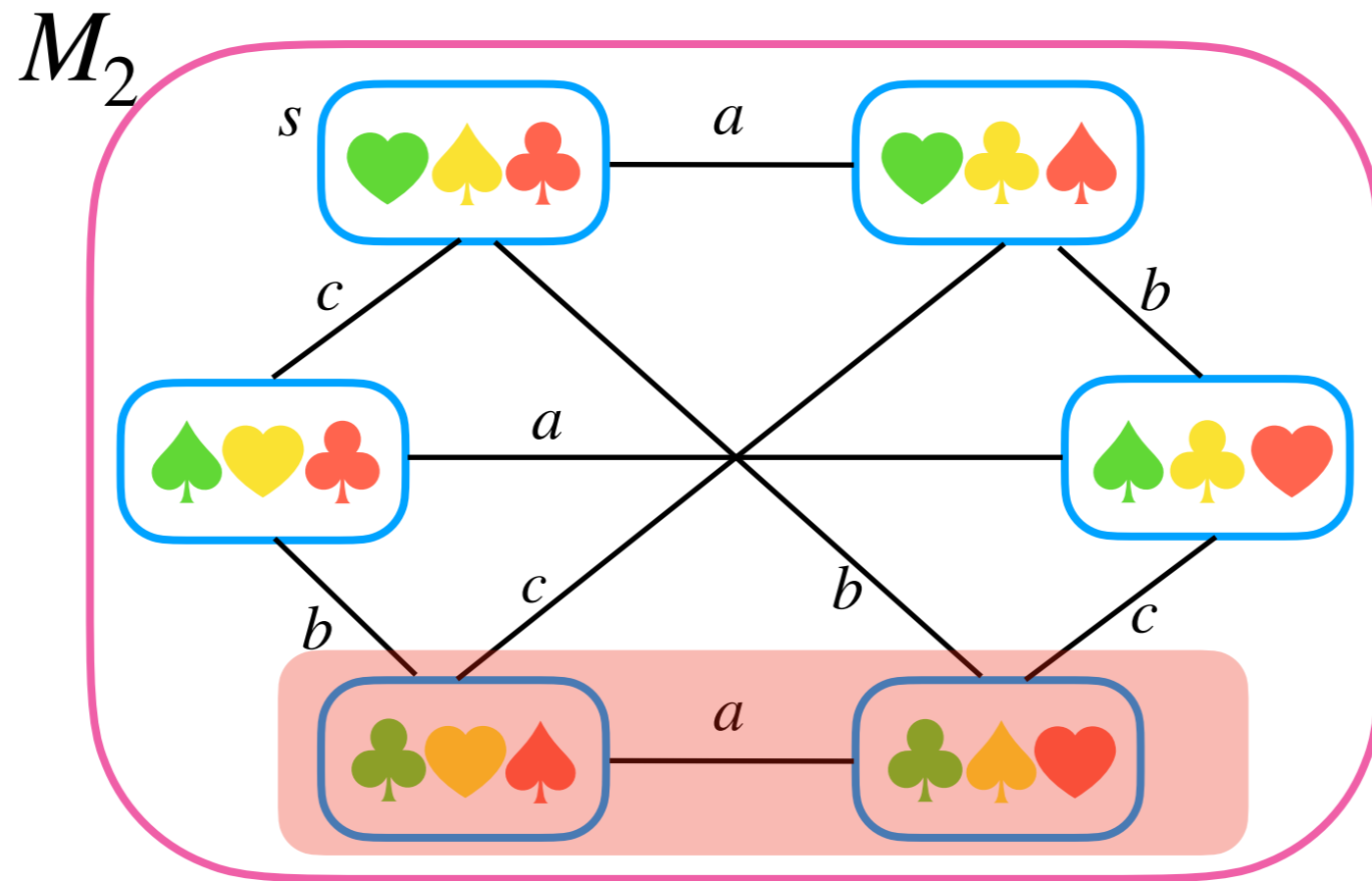


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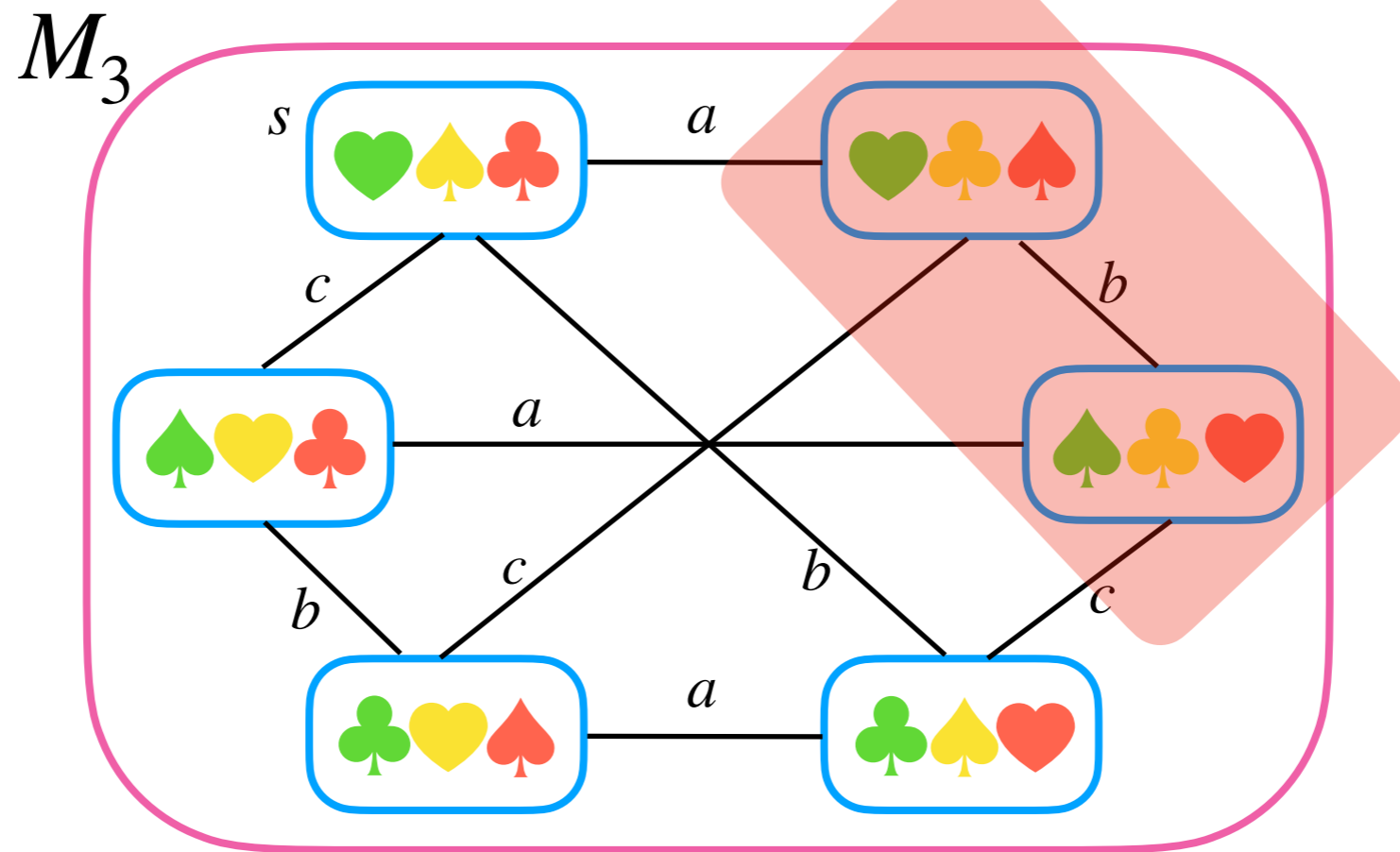
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# Arbitrary PAL

Language of  
APAL

$$\mathcal{APAL} \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid \Box_a \varphi \mid [\varphi]\varphi \mid [!]\varphi$$

Semantics

$$M_s \models [!]\varphi \text{ iff } \forall \psi \in \mathcal{PAL} : M_s \models [\psi]\varphi$$

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Some validities

$$\langle \psi \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \langle ! \rangle \varphi \quad [!]\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$$

$$\langle ! \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle ! \rangle \langle ! \rangle \varphi \quad \langle ! \rangle [!]\varphi \leftrightarrow [!]\langle ! \rangle \varphi$$

Quantification is restricted to formulas of PAL in order to avoid circularity

# Axiomatisation of APAL

Axioms of EL and PAL

$[!] \varphi \rightarrow [\psi] \varphi$  with  $\psi \in \mathcal{PAL}$

From  $\{\eta([\psi] \varphi) \mid \psi \in \mathcal{PAL}\}$   
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Infinitary number of premises

**Open Problem I.** Is there a finitary axiomatisation of APAL?

**Theorem.** APAL is more expressive than PAL

**Theorem.** APAL is sound and complete

**Theorem.** SAT-APAL is undecidable

**Theorem.** Complexity of MC-APAL is PSPACE-complete

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# Backstabbing OP I

A logic has the **finite model property (FMP)** iff every formula of the logic that is true in some model is also true in a finite model

Finitary axiomatisation  $\wedge$  FMP  $\rightarrow$  Decidability

$\varphi$

## Finitary axiomatisation

Finding the proof of  $\neg\varphi$

If successful,  $\varphi$  is not satisfiable

## FMP

Looking for a finite model of  $\varphi$

If successful,  $\varphi$  is satisfiable

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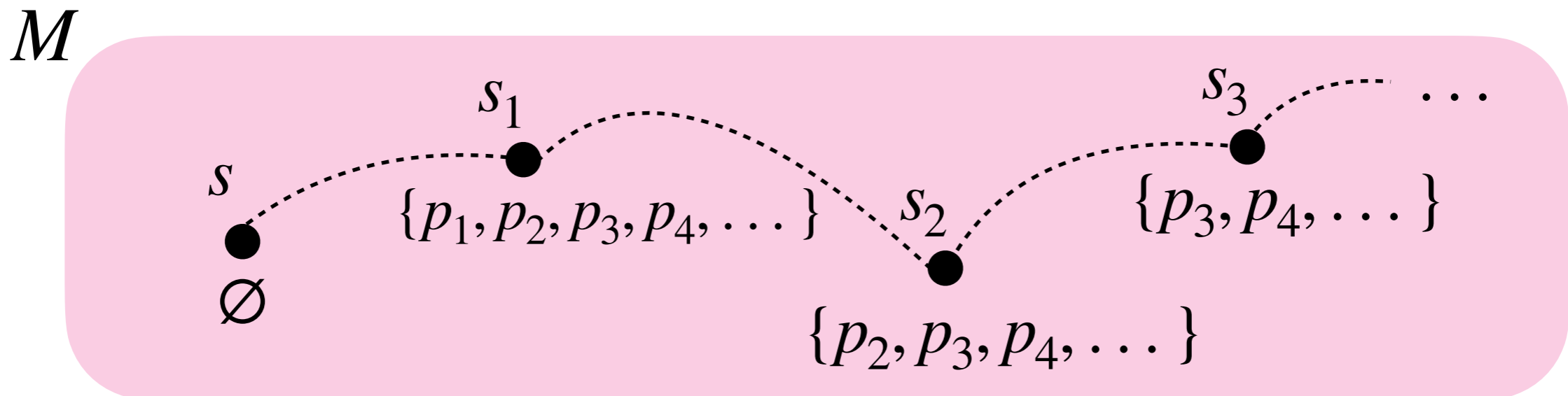
$\neg$ Decidability  $\rightarrow \neg$ Finitary axiomatisation  $\vee \neg$ FMP

APAL is undecidable. If we show that APAL has the FMP, then we will know that it is not finitely axiomatisable...

# No FMP for APAL

[!] $\varphi$  is quite powerful as it quantifies over formulas with all propositional variables (even those not explicitly present in  $\varphi$ ) and over formulas of arbitrary finite modal depth

However, it is not powerful enough to pick out all interesting submodes of a model



**Example.** Try removing all states apart from  $s$  using only propositional announcements

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# Part III

Introduction to Group and Coalition Announcement  
Logics

**Open Problems II and III** and their partial solutions

# Letting agents do the work

APAL allows quantification over **all** announcements

However, it does not specify whether such announcements can be made by any agent modelled in a system

$\langle G \rangle \varphi$ : There is a **truthful simultaneous announcement** by agents from group  $G$ , such that  $\varphi$  is true after it

$[G] \varphi$ : Whatever agents from group  $G$  **truthfully and simultaneously announce**,  $\varphi$  is true after it

**Truthful part**

$$\varphi_a := \Box_a \varphi$$

**Simultaneous part**

$$\varphi_G := \bigwedge_{a \in G} \varphi_a$$

# Group Announcement Logic

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Some validities

$$\langle \psi_G \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \langle G \rangle \varphi \qquad [G]\varphi \rightarrow \varphi$$
$$\langle G \rangle \langle H \rangle \varphi \rightarrow \langle G \cup H \rangle \varphi \qquad \langle G \cup H \rangle \varphi \not\rightarrow \langle G \rangle \langle H \rangle \varphi$$

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# Strategic setting

In GAL only a specified group of agents makes an announcement

Following the lead of ATL, we can think of group announcements as **one-step strategies** to achieve an epistemic goal no matter what opponents do at the same time

$\langle [G] \rangle \varphi$ : **There is** a truthful simultaneous announcement by agents from coalition  $G$ , such that **no matter what** agents in the anti-coalition announce at the same time,  $\varphi$  is true

$\langle [G] \rangle \varphi$ : **Whatever** agents from coalition  $G$  announce, **there is** a counter-announcement by the anti-coalition, such that  $\varphi$  is true

# Coalition Announcement Logic

Language of  
CAL

$$\mathcal{CAL} \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid \Box_a \varphi \mid [\varphi]\varphi \mid \langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi$$

Semantics

$$M_s \models \langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi \text{ iff}$$

$$\forall \psi_G \exists \chi_{A \setminus G} : M_s \models \psi_G \rightarrow \langle\psi_G \wedge \chi_{A \setminus G}\rangle\varphi$$

$$M_s \models \langle[G]\rangle\varphi \text{ iff}$$

$$\exists \psi_G \forall \chi_{A \setminus G} : M_s \models \psi_G \wedge [\psi_G \wedge \chi_{A \setminus G}]\varphi$$

Some validities

$$\neg\langle[\emptyset]\rangle\neg\varphi \rightarrow \langle[A]\rangle\varphi \quad \langle[G]\rangle\varphi \rightarrow \langle[A \setminus G]\rangle\varphi$$

$$\langle[G]\rangle\top \quad \langle[G]\rangle\langle[H]\rangle\varphi \rightarrow \langle[H]\rangle\langle[G]\rangle\varphi$$

# Axiomatisation of CAL

**Theorem.** CAL lacks the FMP

**Open Problem II.** Is there an axiomatisation, finitary or infinitary, of CAL?

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# Why OP II is hard

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$[!] \varphi$



## MCS

$$[!] \varphi \rightarrow [\psi_1] \varphi$$

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By closure  
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Note double quantification in both box and diamond operators

It is not clear how to deal with the double quantification

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$\langle G \rangle \varphi$



**MCS**

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For each  $\psi_G$  there may be a unique corresponding  $\chi_G$

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$\neg \langle [G] \rangle \varphi$



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We need to add an infinite number of witnesses

# Partial Solution

We can use additional operators to split the quantification in CAL modalities

$[G, \chi]\varphi$ : given a true announcement  $\chi$ , **whatever** agents from coalition  $G$  announce in conjunction with  $\chi$ ,  $\varphi$  is true

$\langle G, \chi \rangle \varphi$ : given any announcement  $\chi$ , **there is** a simultaneous announcement by agents from coalition  $G$ , such that  $\varphi$  is true

Observe only **single quantifiers**

Formula  $\chi$  is used as a placeholder (or **memory**) for announcements by a coalition

# Coalition and Relativised GAL

Language of CoRGAL

$\mathcal{CoRGAL} \ni \varphi ::= p \mid \neg\varphi \mid (\varphi \wedge \varphi) \mid \Box_a \varphi \mid [\varphi]\varphi \mid [G, \varphi]\varphi \mid \langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi$

Semantics

$M_s \models [G, \chi]\varphi$  iff  $\forall \psi_G : M_s \models \chi \wedge [\chi \wedge \psi_G]\varphi$

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$M_s \models \langle [G] \rangle\varphi$  iff  $\exists \psi_G : M_s \models [A \setminus G, \psi_G]\varphi$

Coalition operators now have only one quantifier



# Axiomatisation of CoRGAL

Axioms of EL and PAL

$[G, \chi]\varphi \rightarrow \chi \wedge [\psi_G \wedge \chi]\varphi$  with  $\psi_G \in \mathcal{PAL}$

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$\langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi$



**MCS**

$\langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi \rightarrow \langle A \setminus G, \psi_G^1 \rangle\varphi$

$\langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi \rightarrow \langle A \setminus G, \psi_G^2 \rangle\varphi$

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**MCS**  $\langle\!\langle G \rangle\!\rangle\varphi$

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**MCS**

$\neg\langle\langle G \rangle\rangle\varphi$

$\neg\langle A \setminus G, \psi_G^n \rangle\varphi$

Add a witness

# Back to OP II

CoRGAL, a logic with coalition modalities, is sound and complete

**Open Problem II.** Is there an axiomatisation, finitary or infinitary, of CAL (without additional modalities)?

# Logics of Quantified Announcements

**APAL.**  $[!]\varphi$ : quantifies of all formulas of PAL

**GAL.**  $[G]\varphi$ : quantifies over  $\psi_G := \bigwedge_{a \in G} \psi_a$  with

$$\psi_a := \Box_a \psi$$

**CAL.**  $[\langle G \rangle]\varphi$ : quantifies over  $\psi_G$  and  $\chi_{A \setminus G}$

**Open Problem III.** Relative expressivity of APAL, GAL, and CAL

# Partial results

APAL is incomparable with both GAL and CAL

APAL can force any\* submodel of a given model, while GAL and CAL can force only  $G$ -definable submodels

Reasoning about GAL vs. CAL is a bit trickier...

An intuitive definition of CAL modalities through GAL modalities

$$\langle [G] \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle G \rangle [A \setminus G] \varphi$$

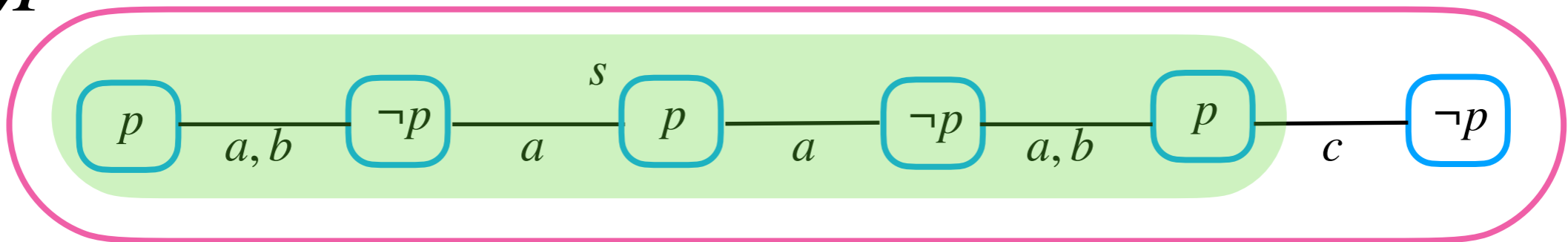
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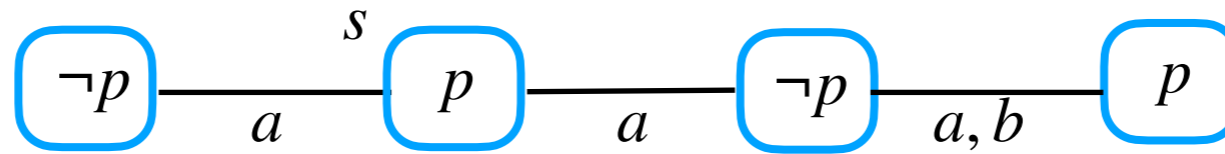
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$$\langle a \rangle [b, c] \neg \varphi \rightarrow \langle [a] \rangle \varphi$$

$M$



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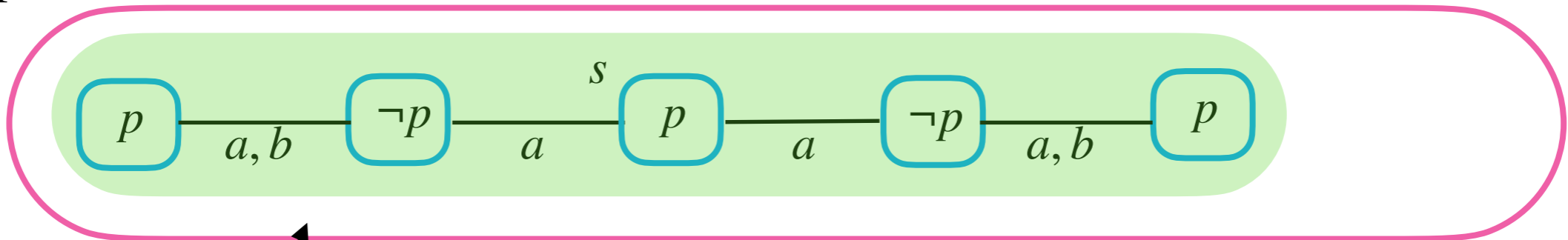
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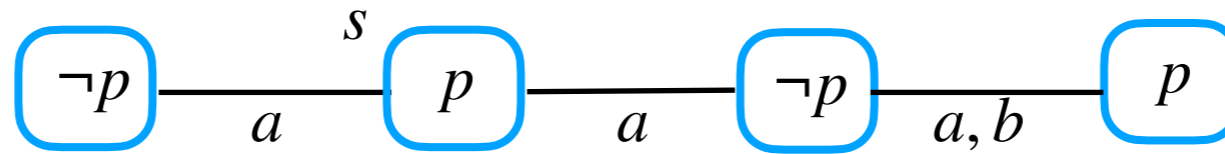
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$M^{\psi_a}$



$\varphi$

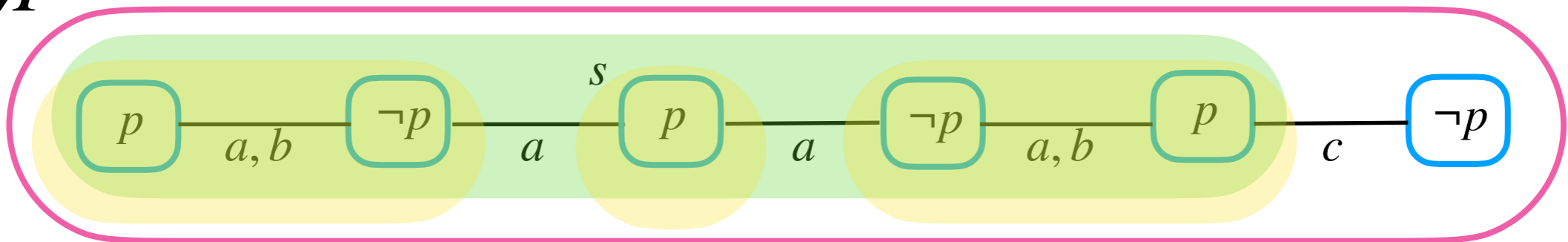


This submodel is symmetric

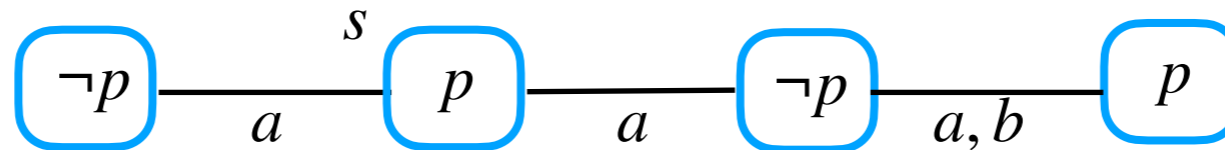
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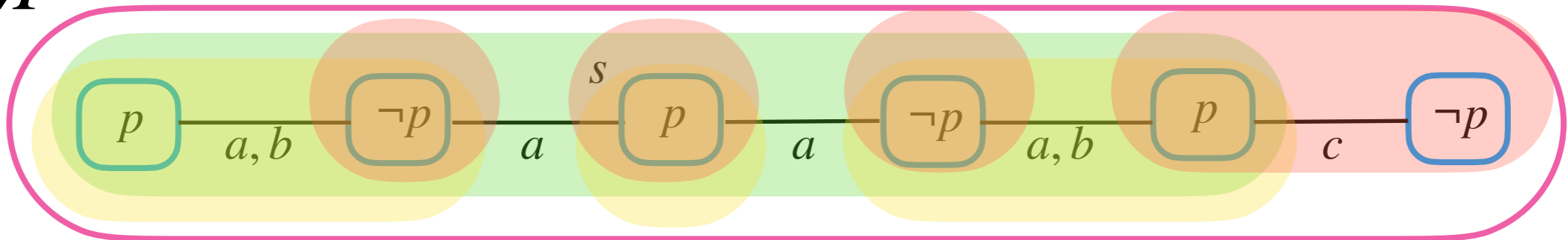
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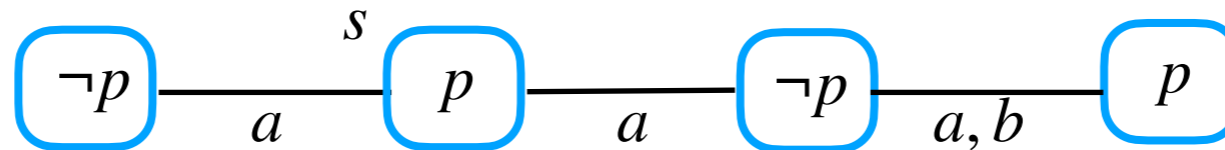
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$$\langle a \rangle [b, c] \neg \varphi \not\equiv \langle [a] \rangle \varphi$$

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$\varphi$



# Logics of Quantified Announcements

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There are some classes of models that GAL can distinguish and CAL cannot

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**Open Problem III (Refined).** Are there classes of models that CAL can distinguish and APAL and GAL cannot?

# Recap of Open Problems

**Open Problem I.** Is there a finitary axiomatisation of APAL?

**Partial Solution.** APAL (and GAL and CAL) lack the FMP

**Open Problem II.** Is there an axiomatisation of CAL?

**Partial Solution.** There is an axiomatisation of a logic with CAL modalities (and relativised group announcements)

**Open Problem III.** Expressivity of APAL, GAL, and CAL

**Partial Solution.** CAL is not at least as expressive as GAL or APAL; APAL and GAL are incomparable