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*(in the paradigm of abstract interpretation)*

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## Abstract Values

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*Flow-insensitive*

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4:   x ∈ {0, +}
4.T: N ∈ {-, +}
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$N, y \in \{-, 0, +\}$

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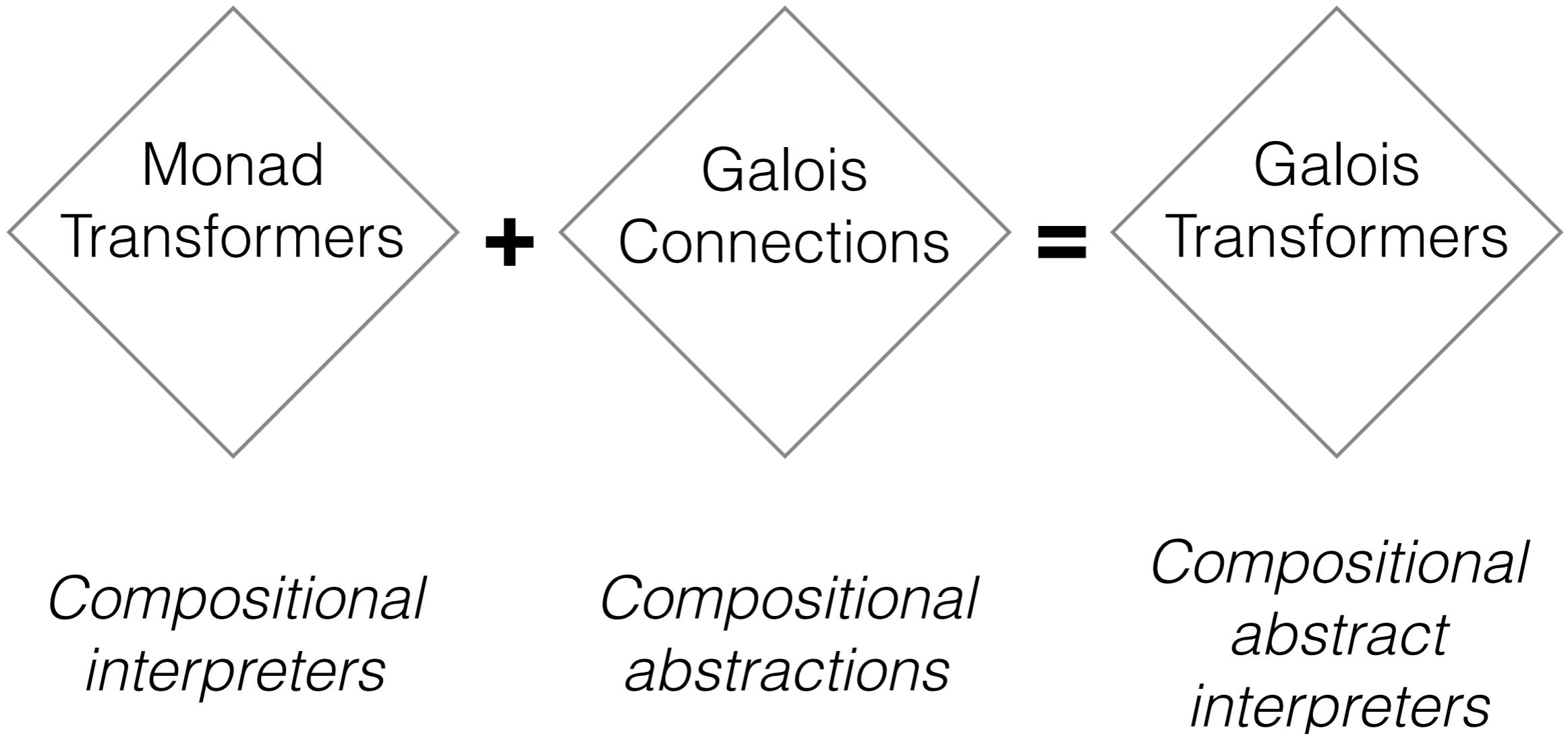
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# Problems Worth Solving

- How to change path/flow sensitivity without redesigning from scratch?
- How to reuse machinery between analyzers for different languages?
- How to translate proofs between different analysis designs?

# Solution



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# A Monad

```
type M(t)
```

```
op x ← e1 ; e2  
op return(e)
```

```
op get  
op put(e)  
op fail  
op ...
```

- A module with:
  - a type operator  $M$
  - a semicolon operator (bind)
  - effect operations
- $M(t)$ :
  - "A computation that performs some effects, then returns  $t$ "

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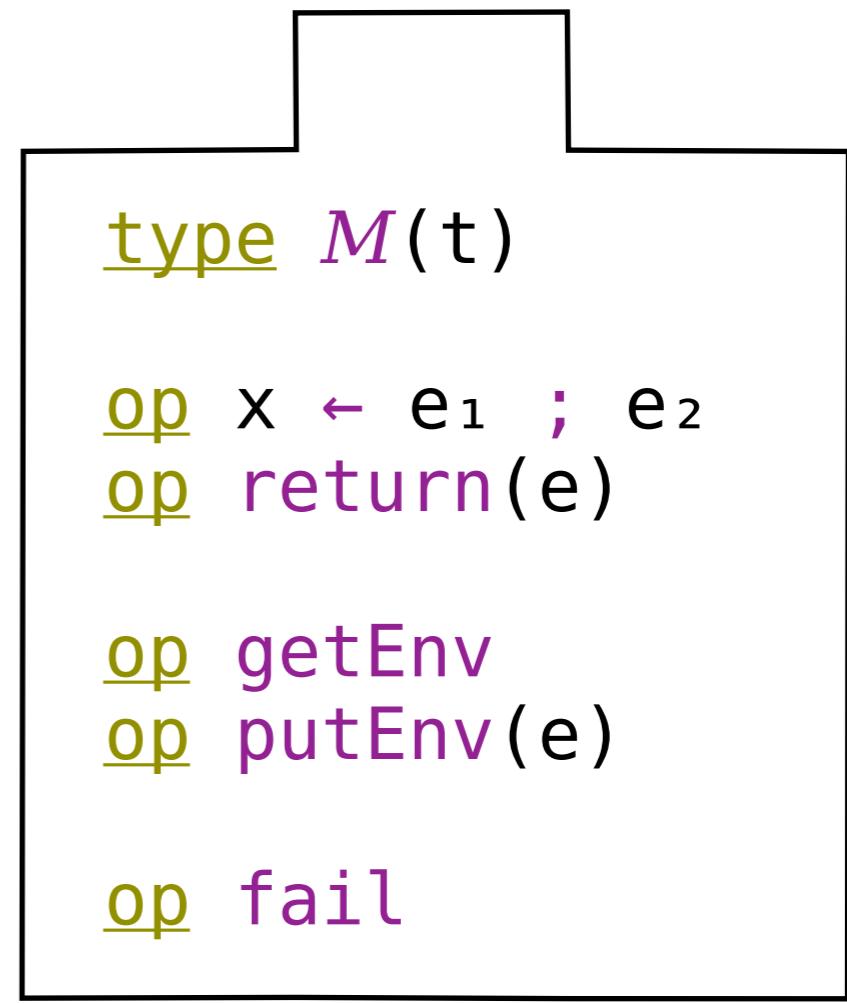
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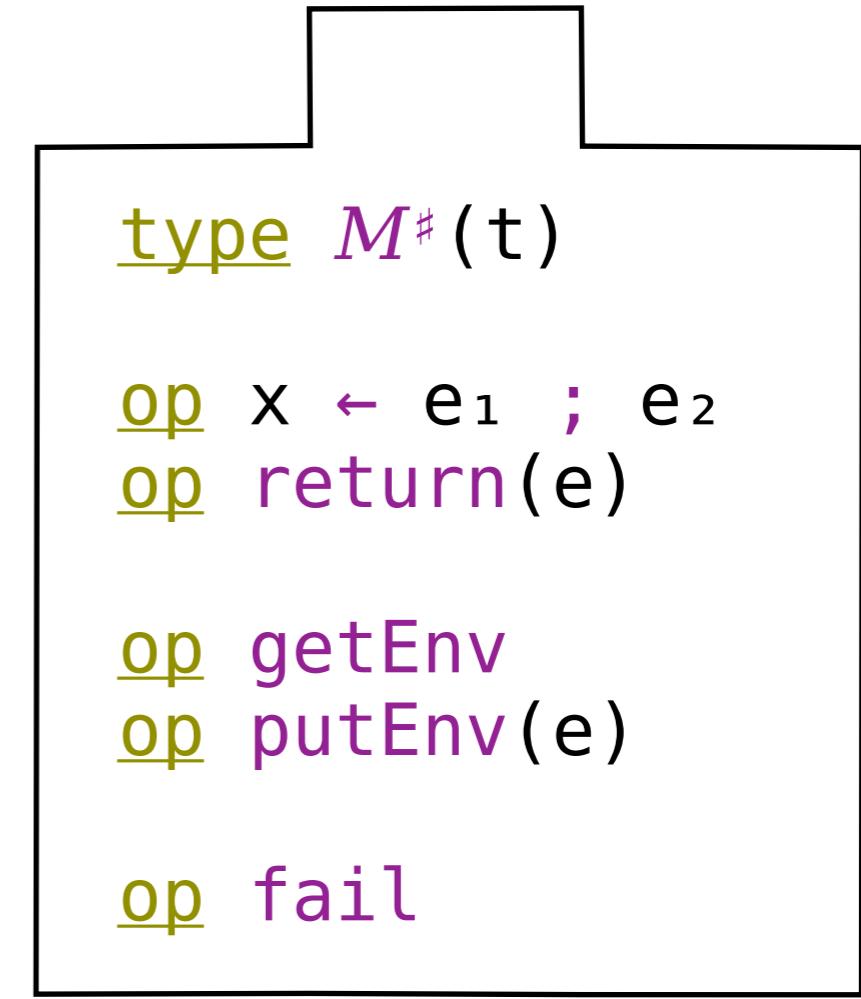
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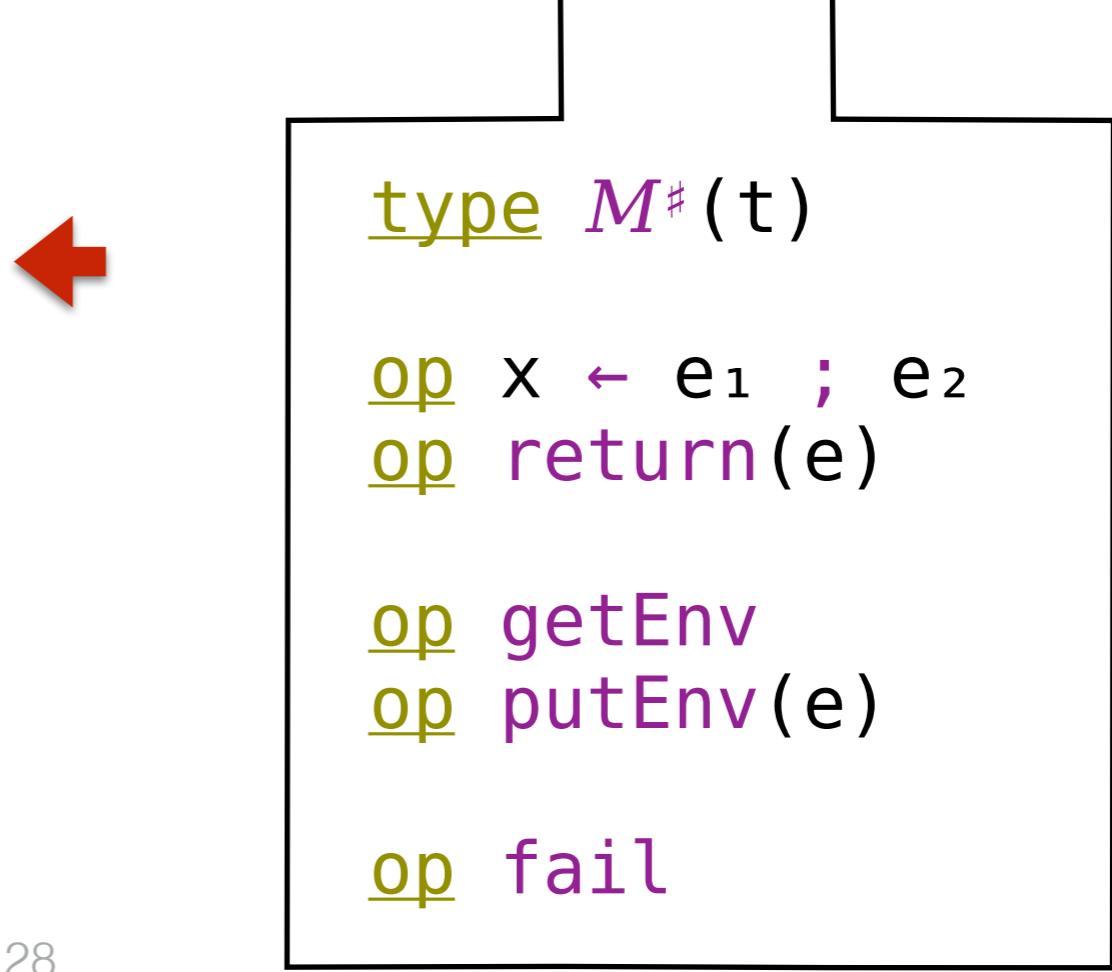
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# Monadic Abs. Interpreters

- Start with a *concrete* monadic interpreter
- Abstract value space ( $\text{value}^\sharp, \llbracket \_ \rrbracket^\sharp$ )
- Join results when updating  $\text{env}^\sharp (\sqcup)$
- Branch nondeterministically (`chooseBool`)

# Why Monads

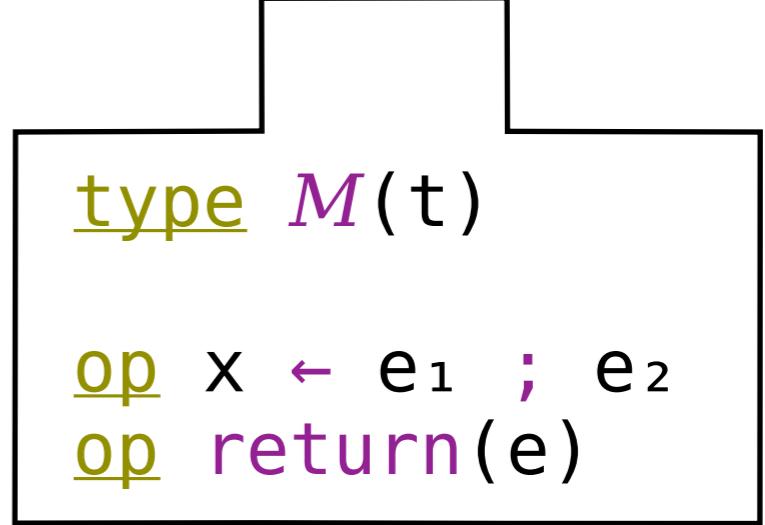
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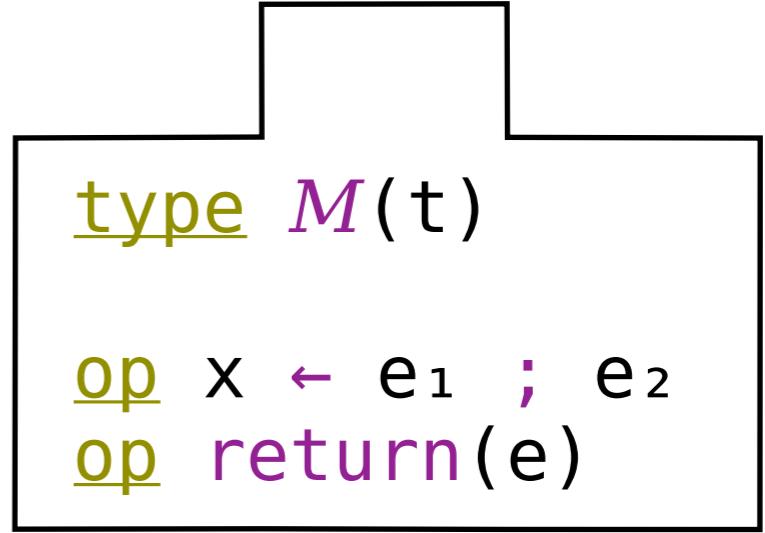
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State[ $s$ ]

get :  $M(s)$

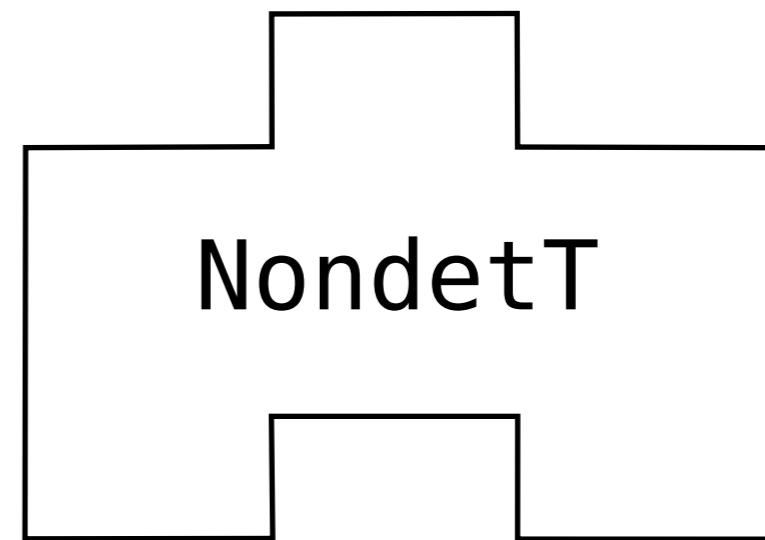
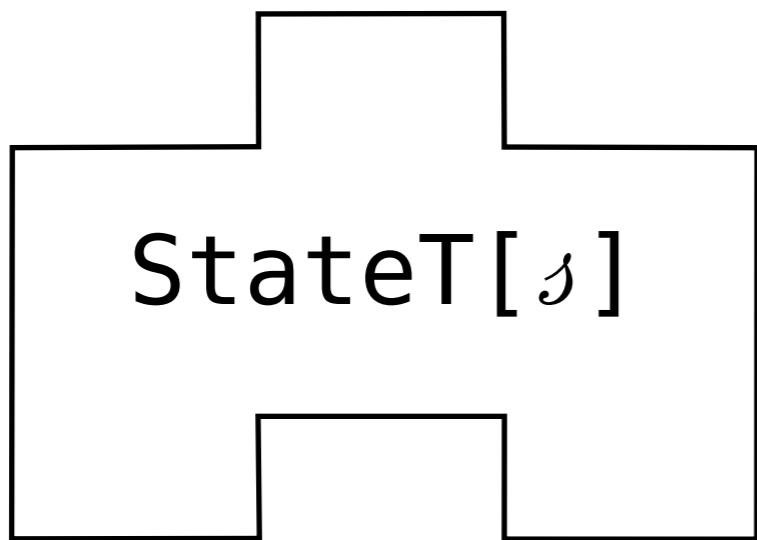
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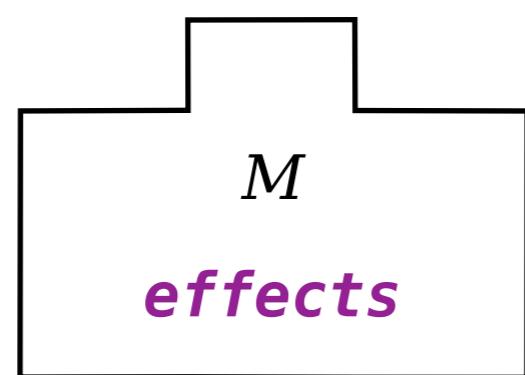
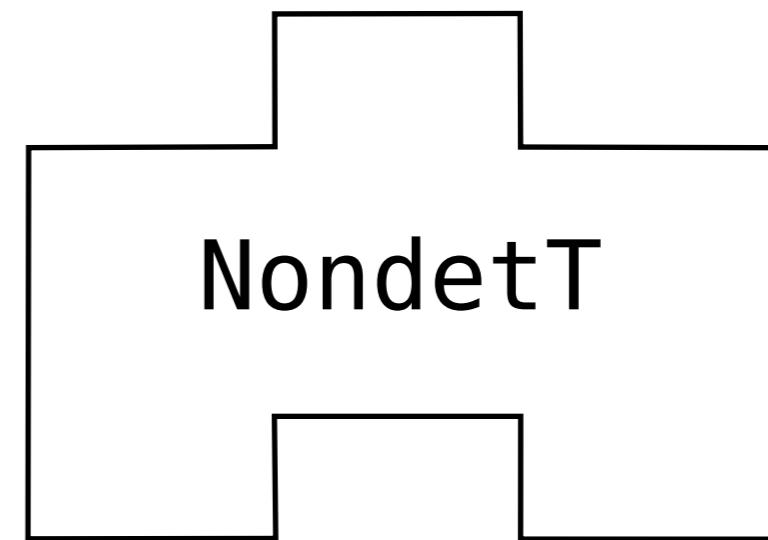
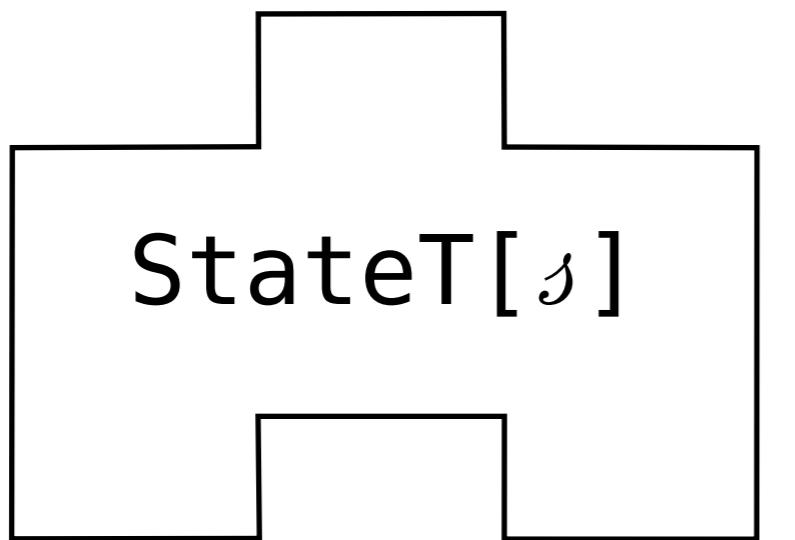
fail :  $\forall(A), M(A)$

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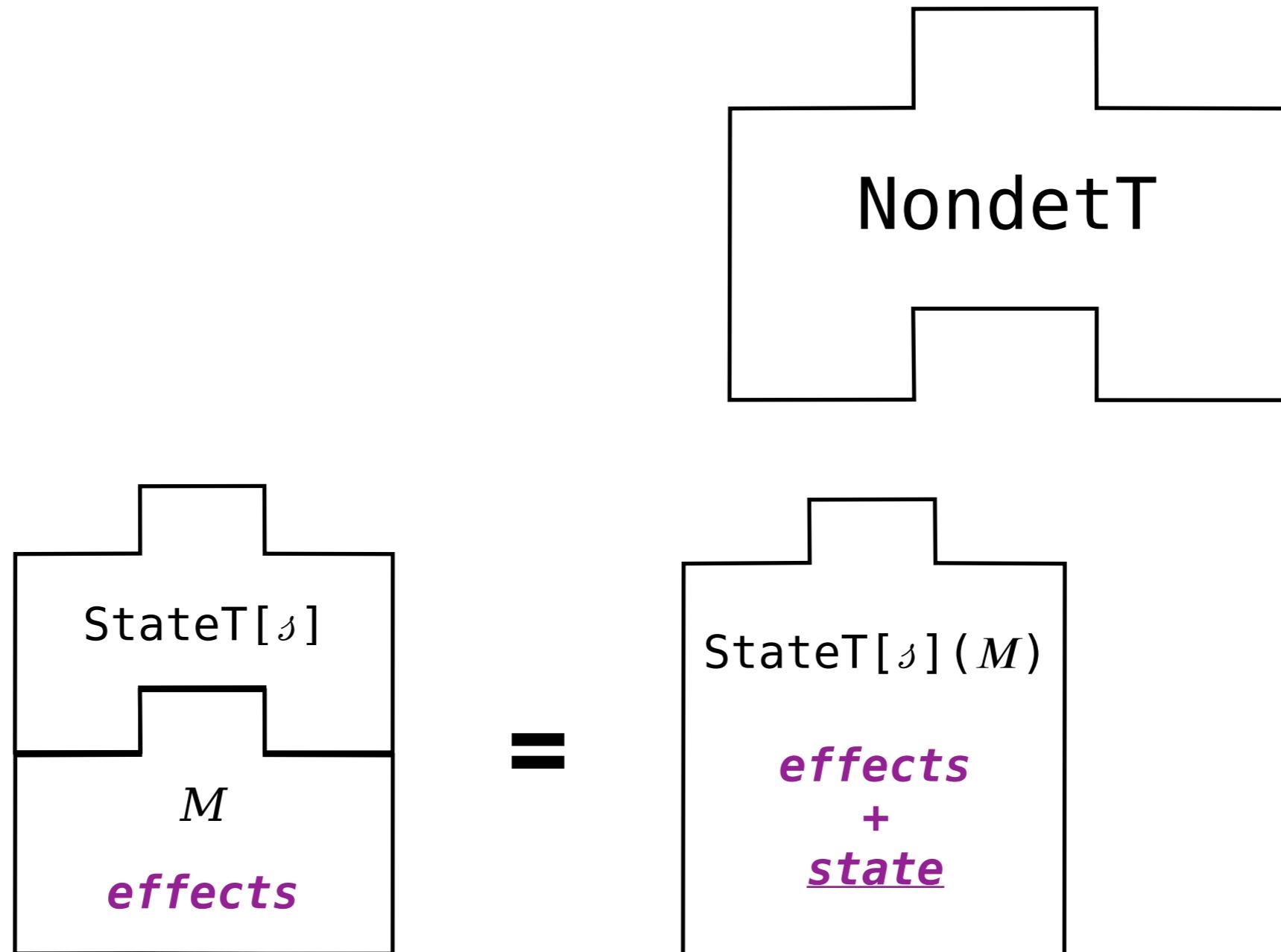
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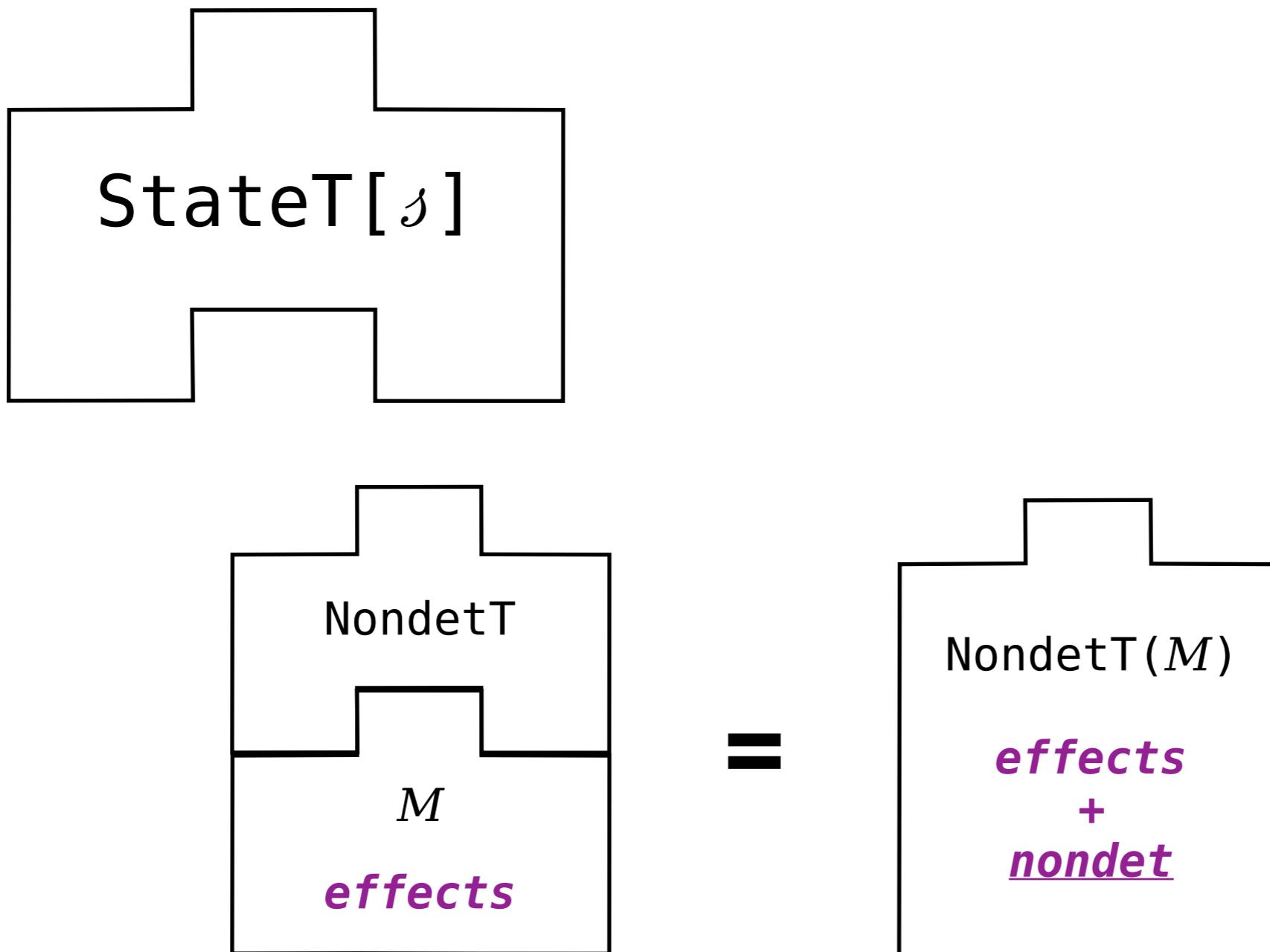
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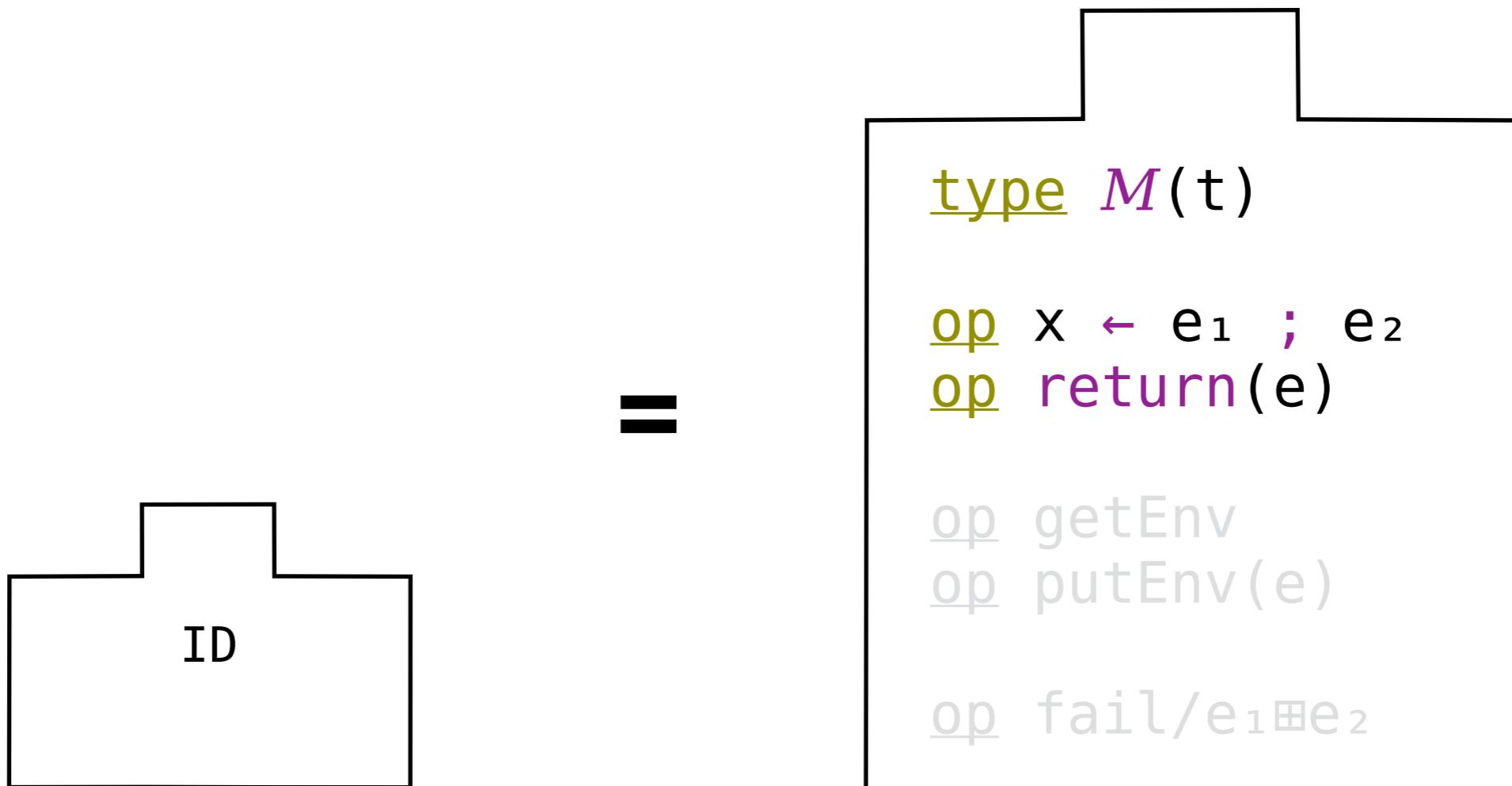
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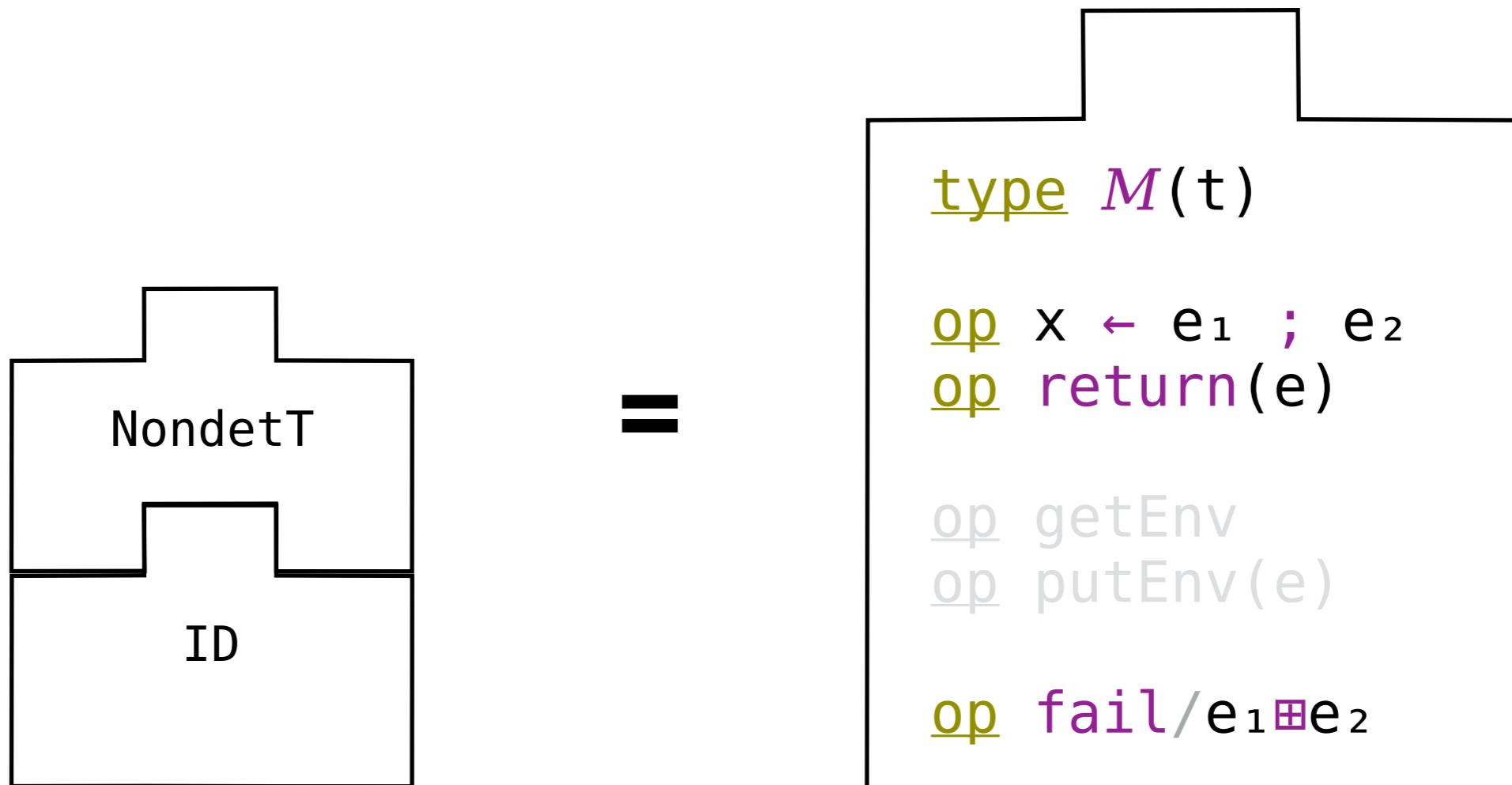
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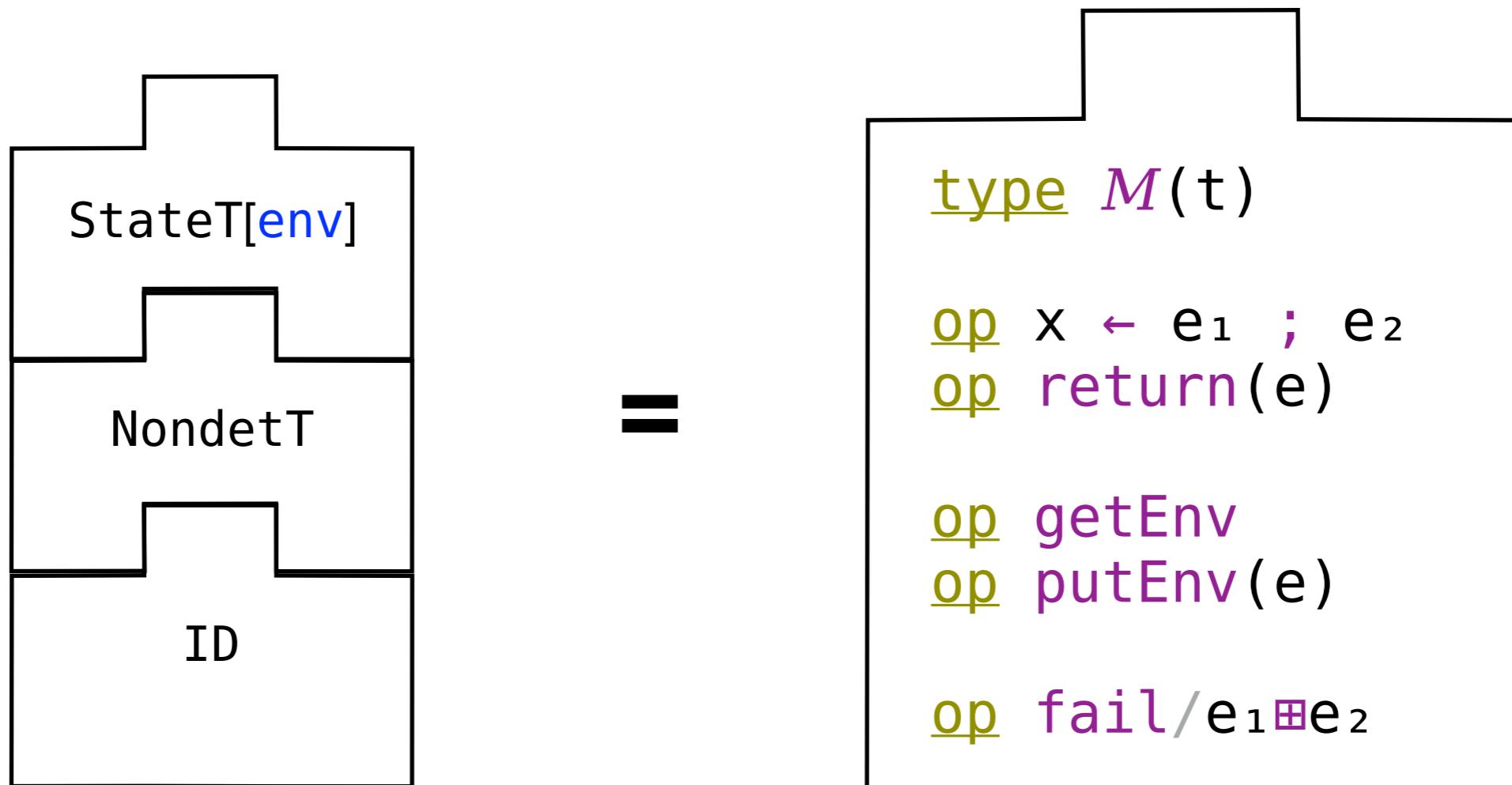
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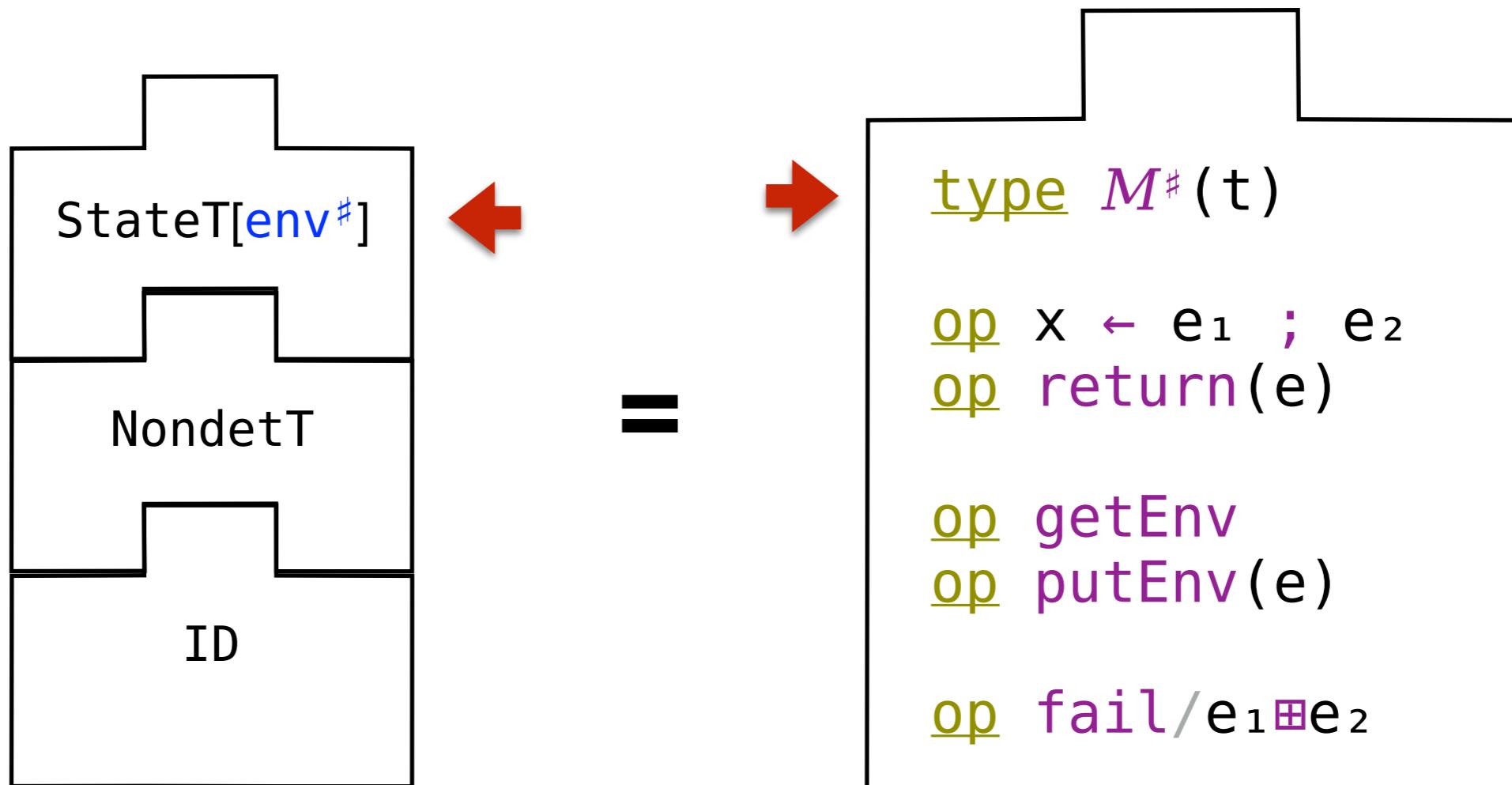
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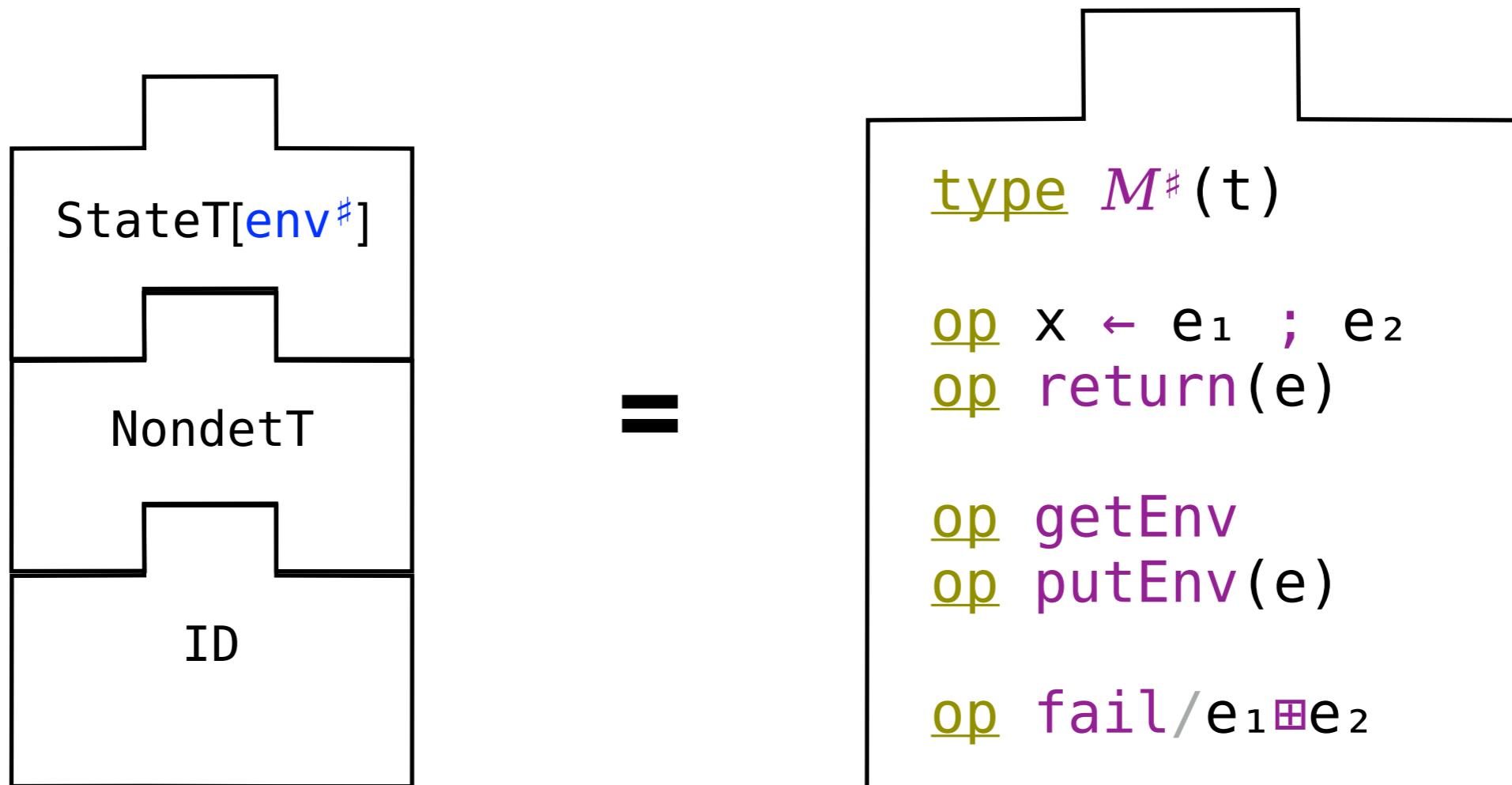
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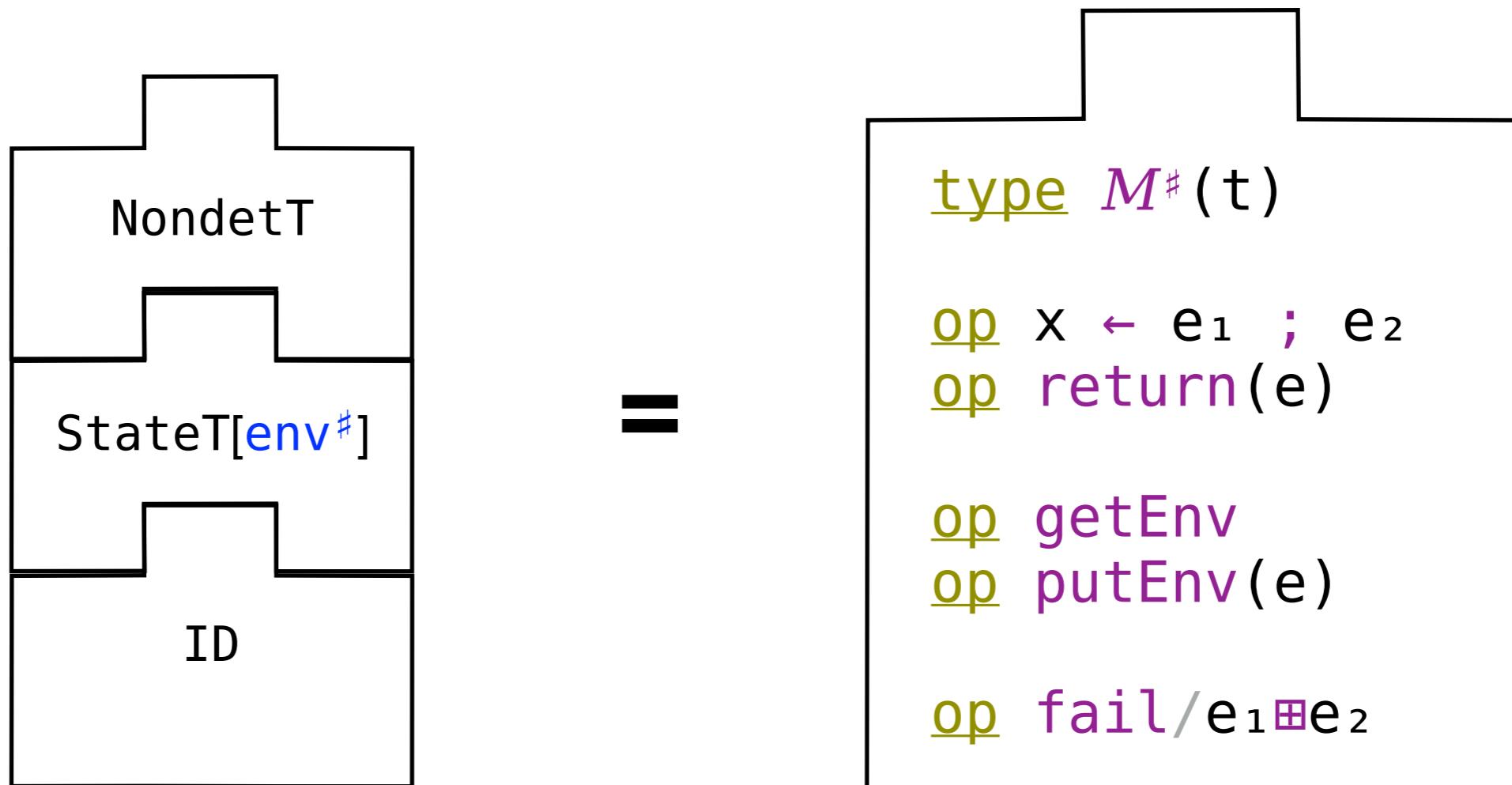


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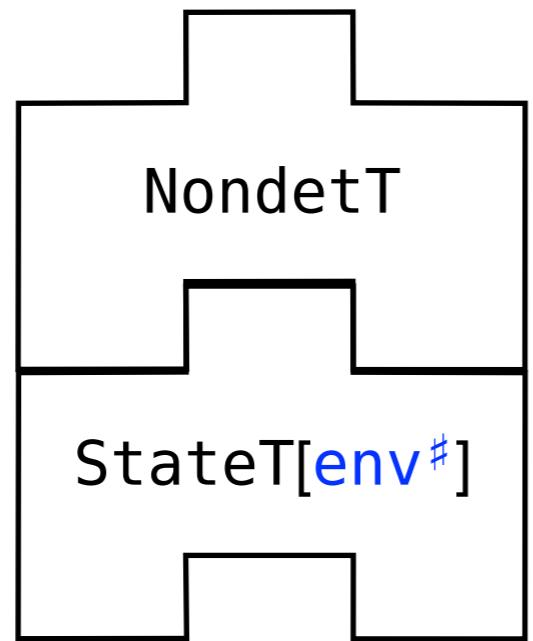
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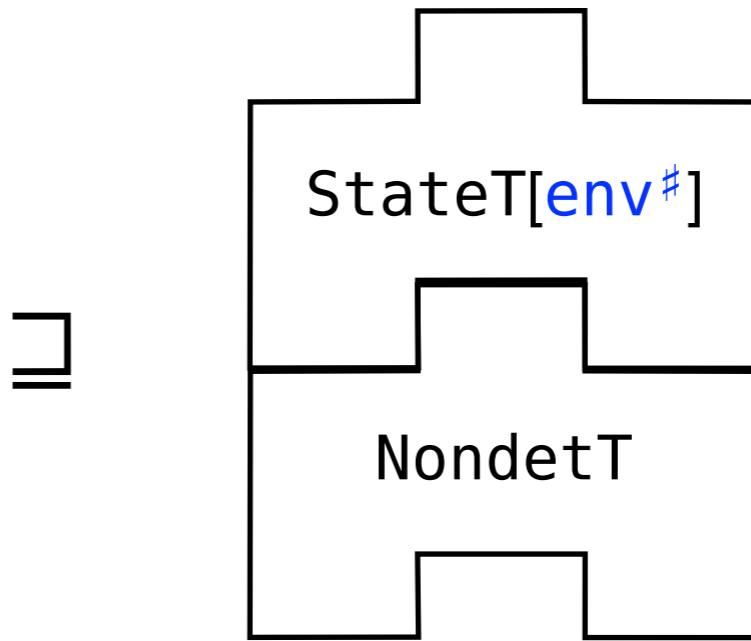


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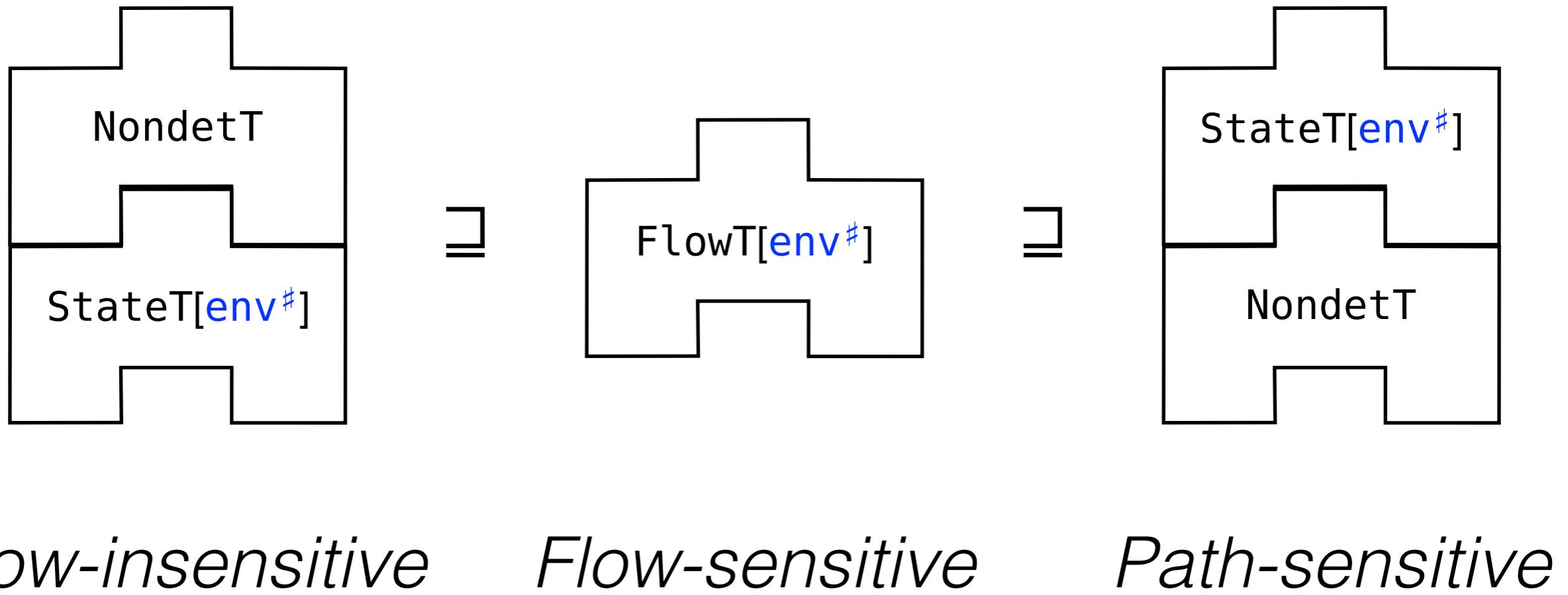


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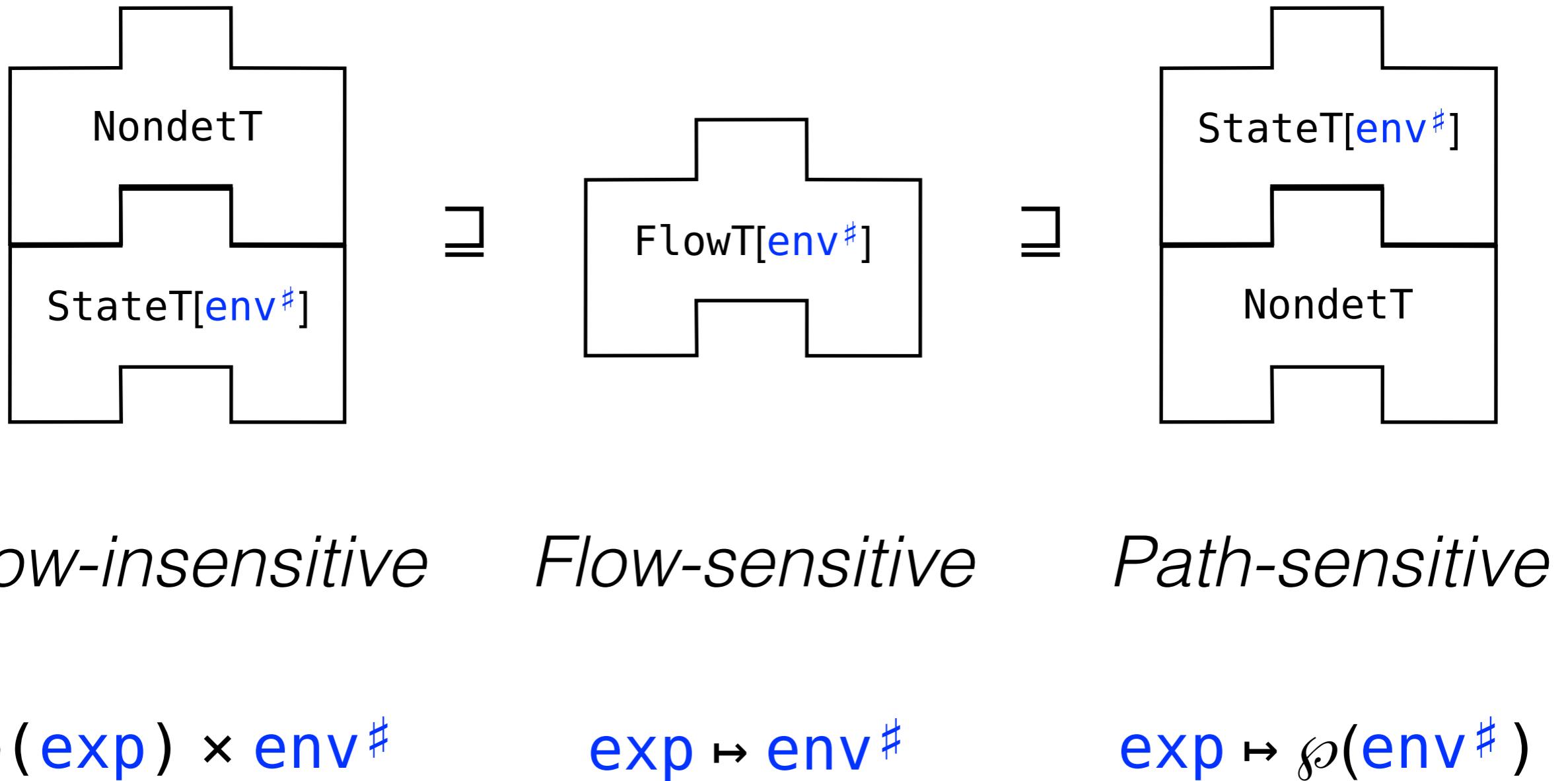


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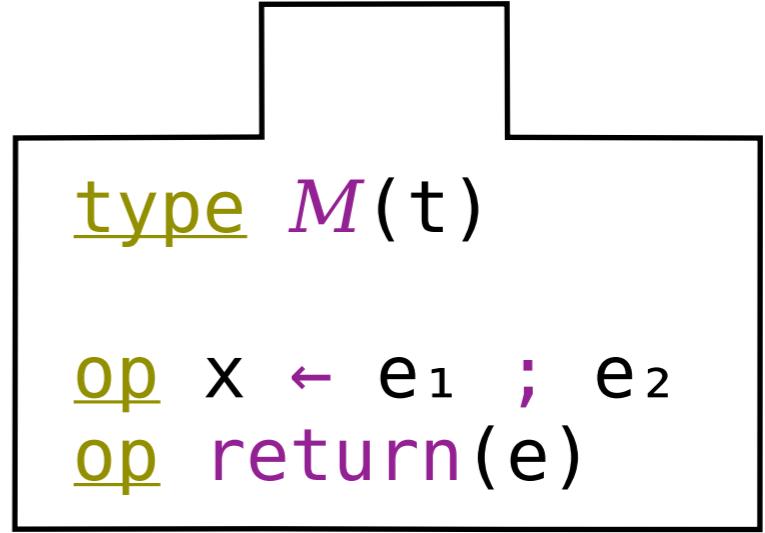
- Construct a monad using `StateT[s]`, `FlowT[s]` and `NondetT`
- Order matters, yielding different analyses
- Rapidly prototype precision performance tradeoffs

# Why Transformers

- Semantics independent building blocks for writing interpreters—also apply to abstract interpreters!
- Reuse of analysis machinery
  - Different abs. interpreters use the same transformers
- Variations in analysis
  - Different transformer stacks fit into the same interpreter

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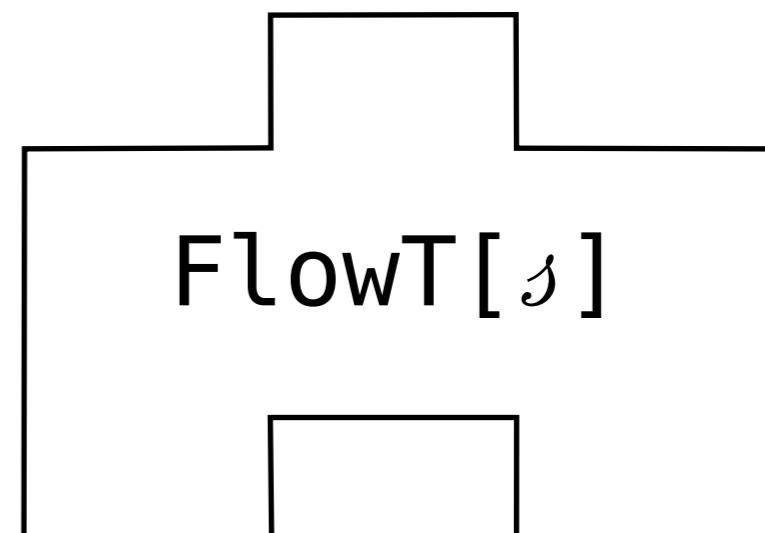
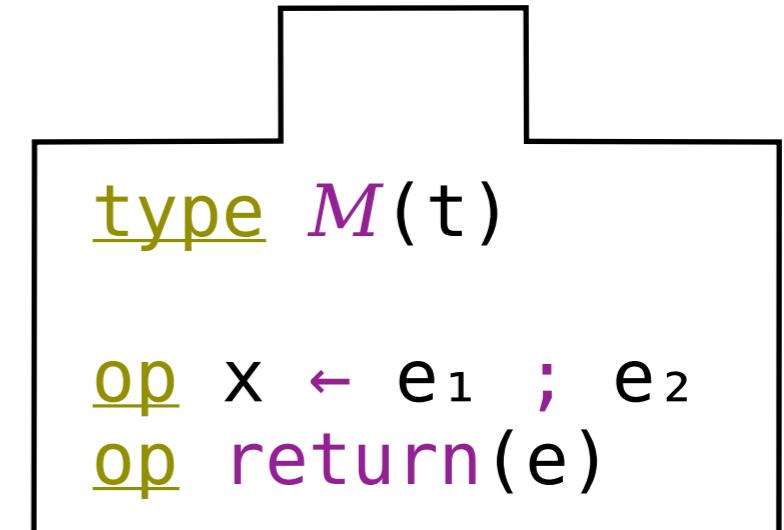
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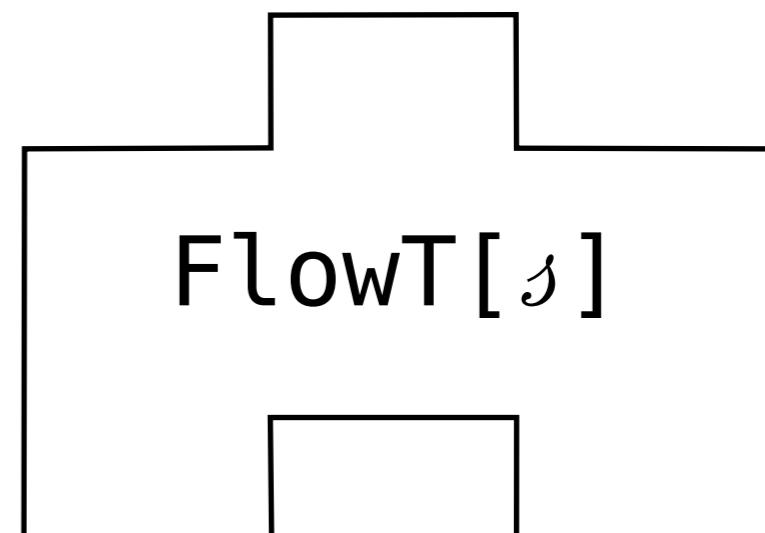
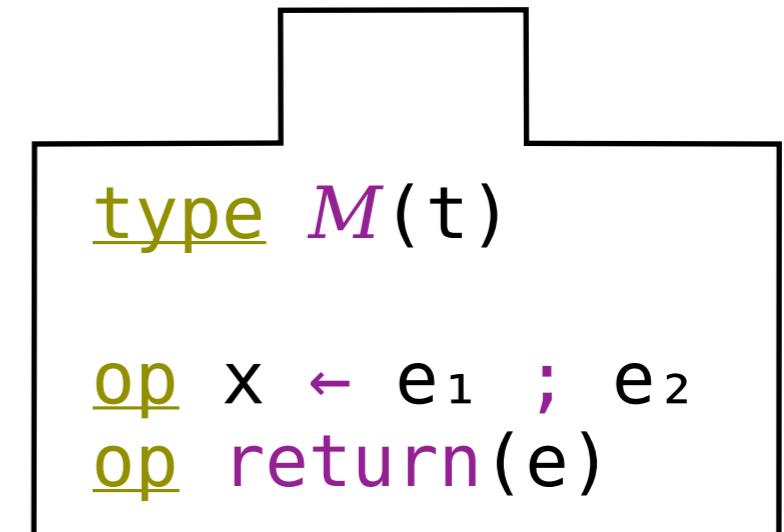
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# Galois Connections

- Compositional framework for proving correctness
- We build two sets of GCs alongside transformers
- **Code:** Enables execution of monadic analyzers
- **Proofs:** Large number of proofs built automatically
- (See the paper)

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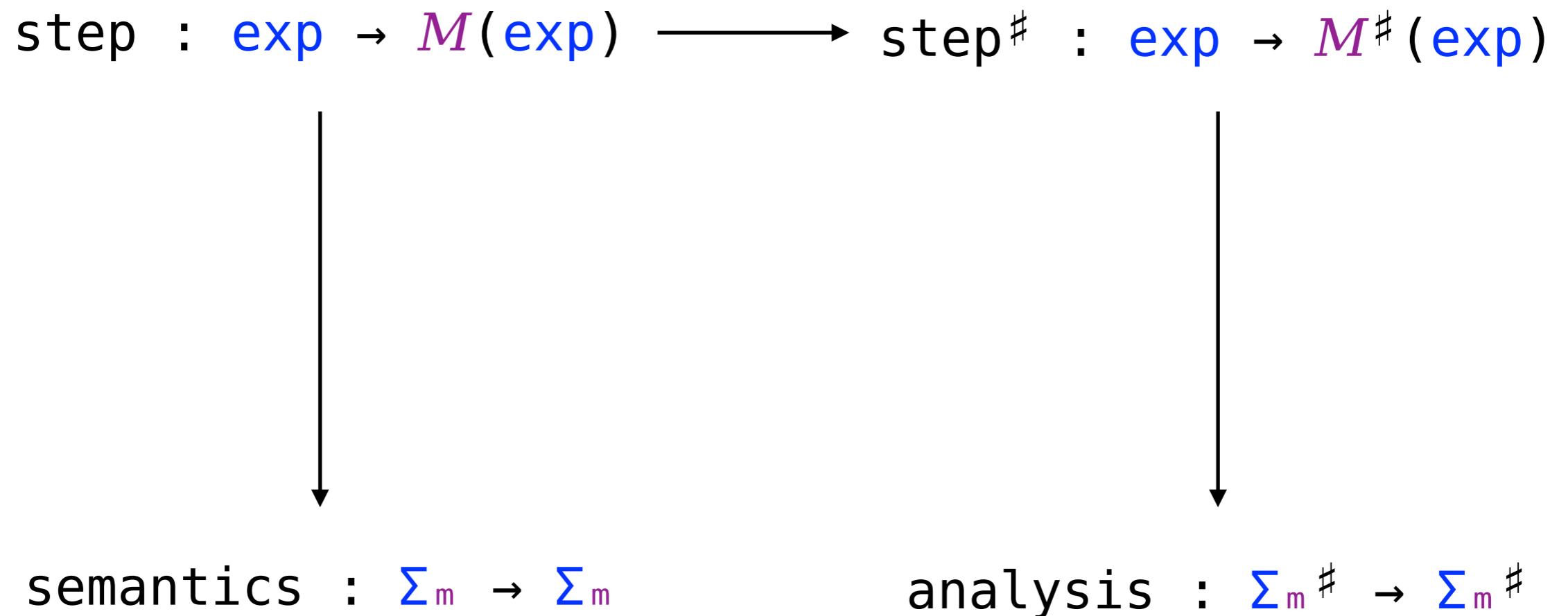
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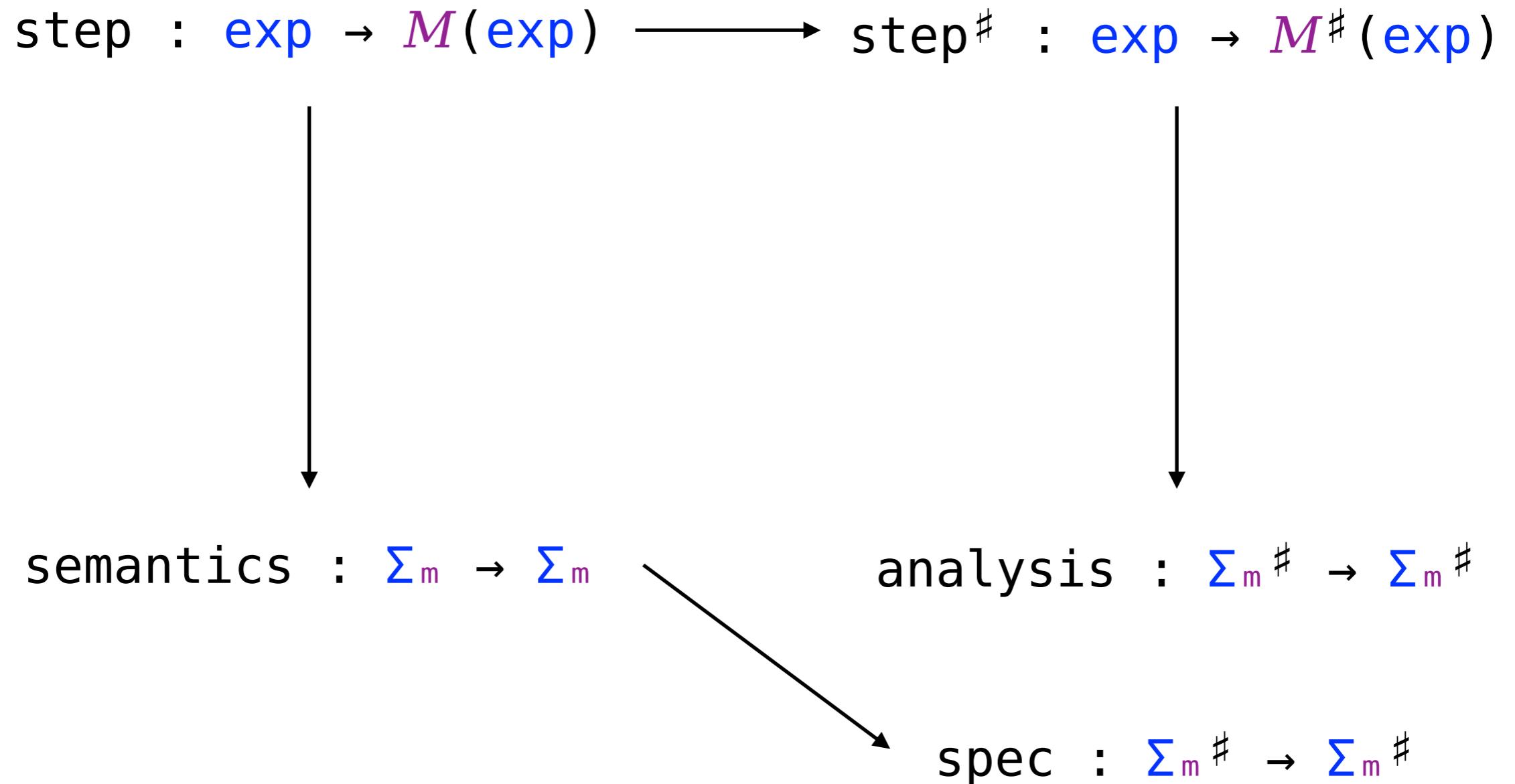


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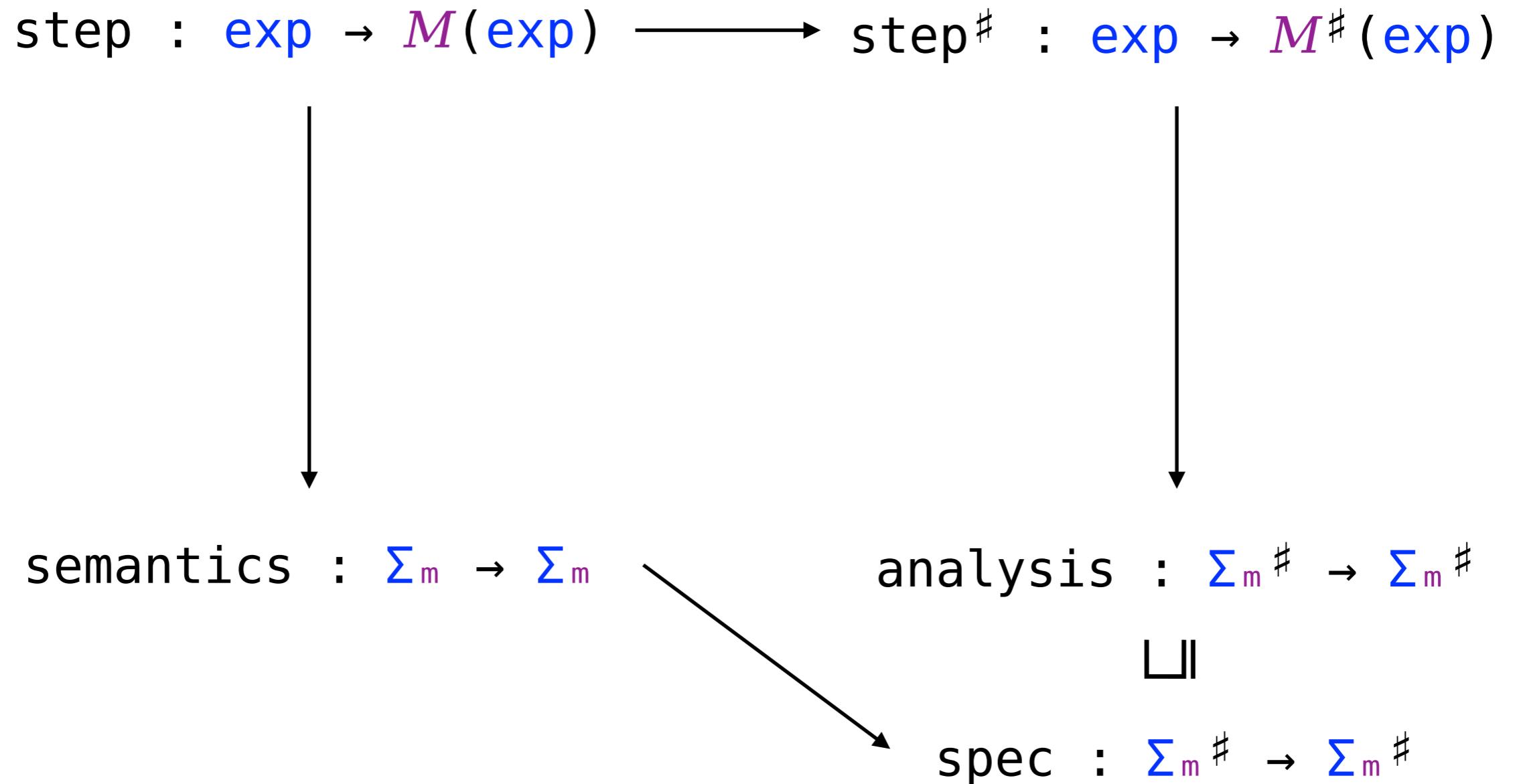
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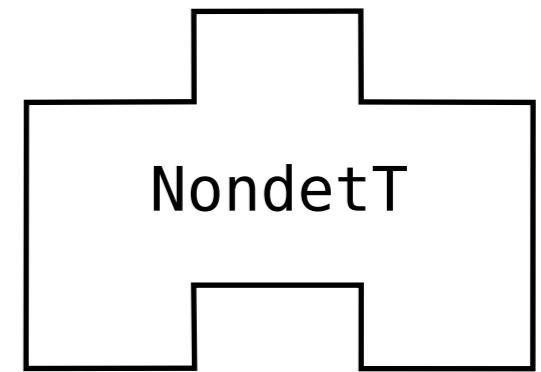
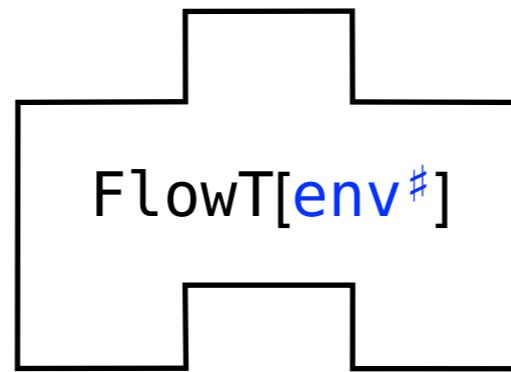
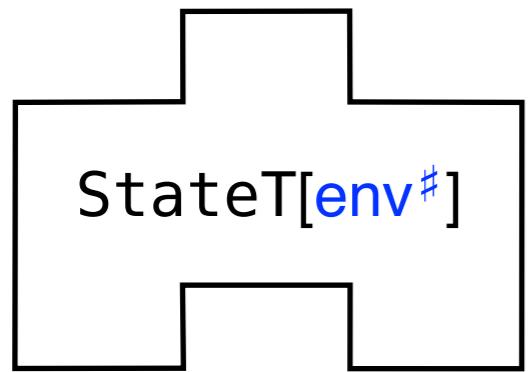
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- GTs = Monad Transformers + Galois connections
- Galois connections are necessary for **execution** and central to **proof framework**

# Putting it All Together

- You design a monadic abstract interpreter
- Instantiate with monad transformers
- Change underlying monad to change results
- Execution engine and proofs for free

# Implementation

- Haskell package: `cabal install maam`
- Galois Transformers are implemented as a semantics independent library
- Haskell's support for monadic programming was helpful, but not necessary

# Let's Design an Analysis

## Program

```
0: int x y; // global state
1: void safe_fun(int N) {
2:   if (N≠0) {x := 0;}
3:   else     {x := 1;}
4:   if (N≠0) {y := 100/N;}
5:   else     {y := 100/x;}}
```

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 $x/\theta$ 

## Abstract Values

 $\mathbb{Z} \subseteq \{-, 0, +\}$ 

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analyze : exp → results
analyze(x := e) := ...
analyze(e1 + e2) := ...
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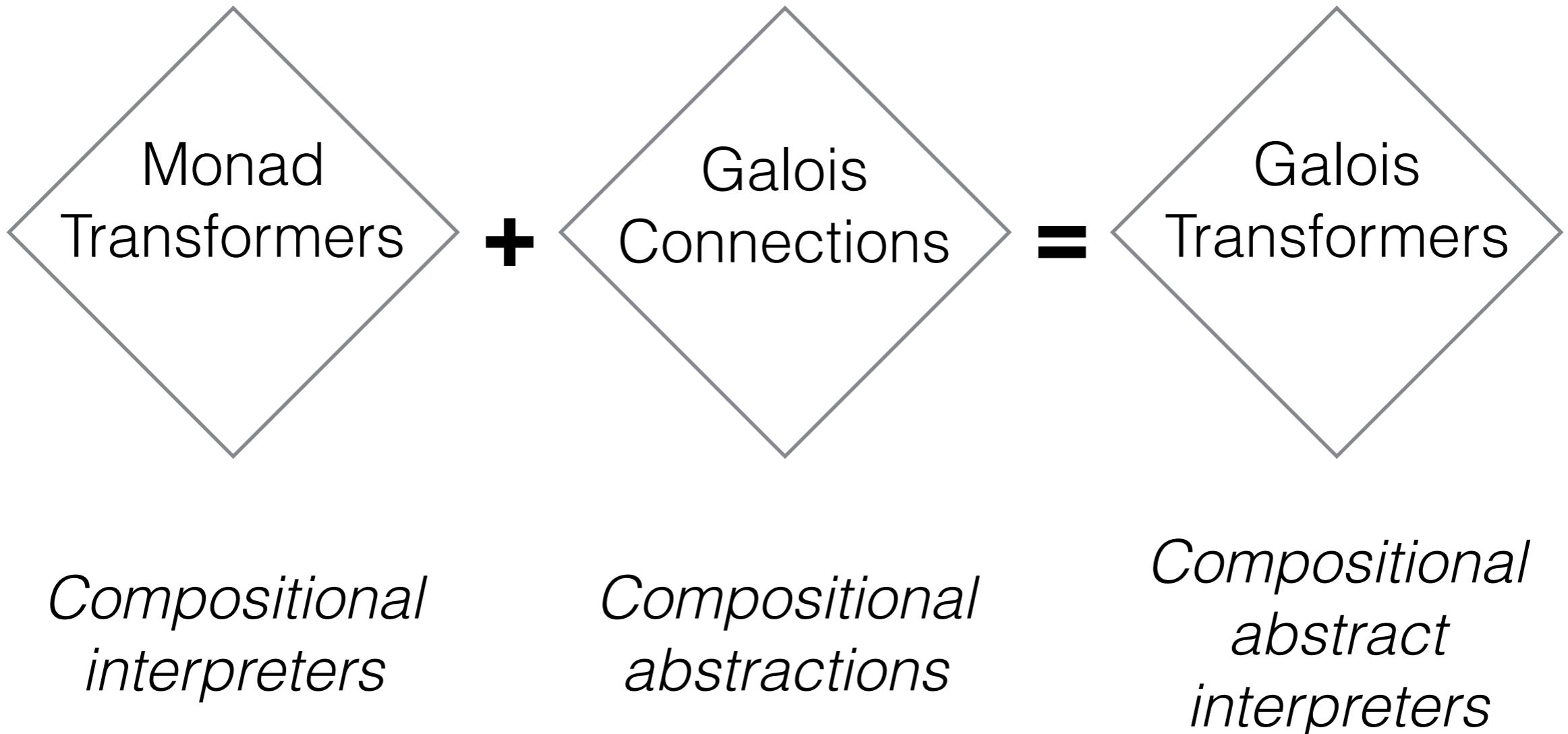
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Proof is trivial by definition. ■

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[alternatively:  $\alpha(N) \subseteq P \text{ iff } N \subseteq \gamma(P)$ ]

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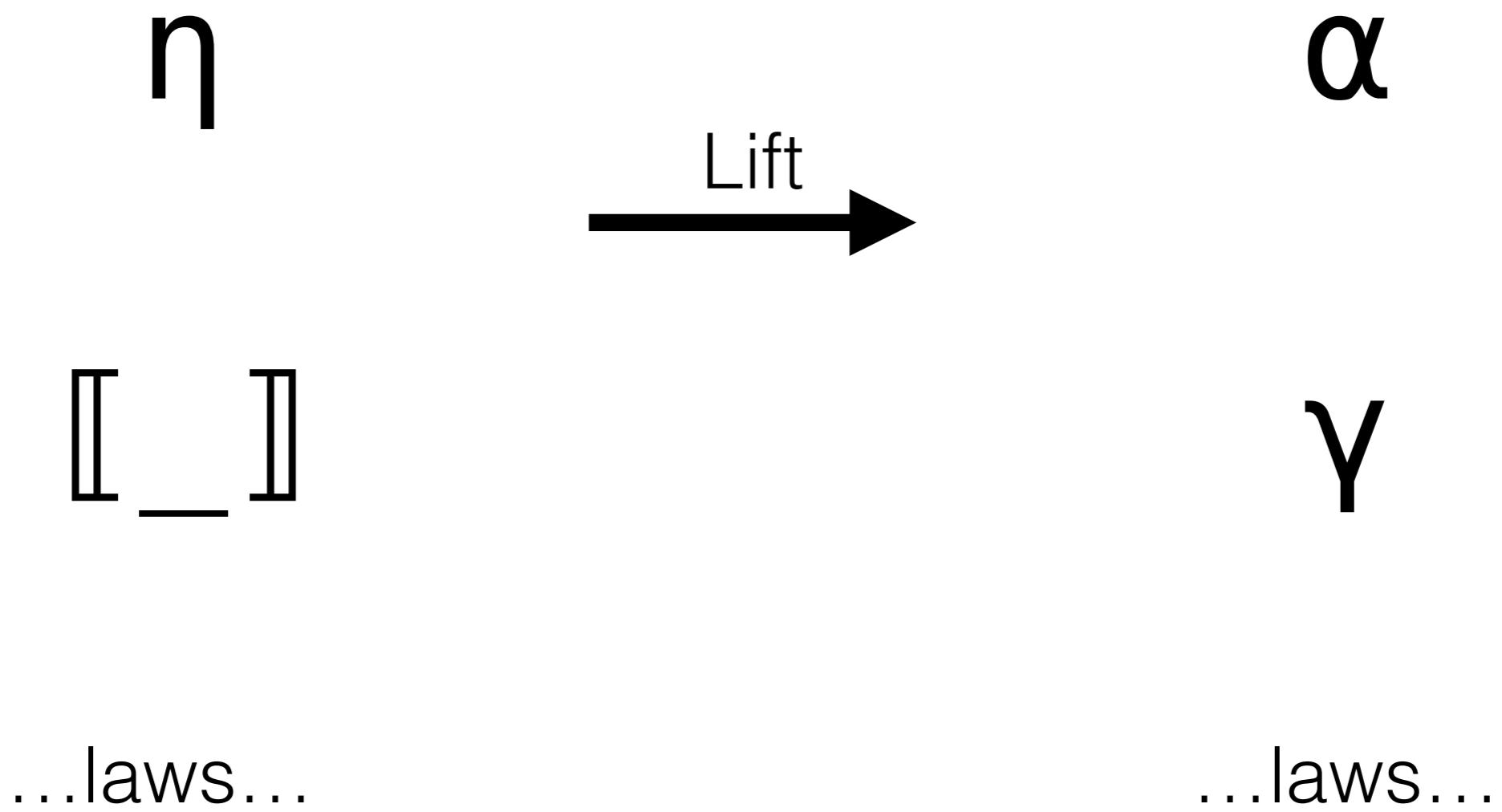
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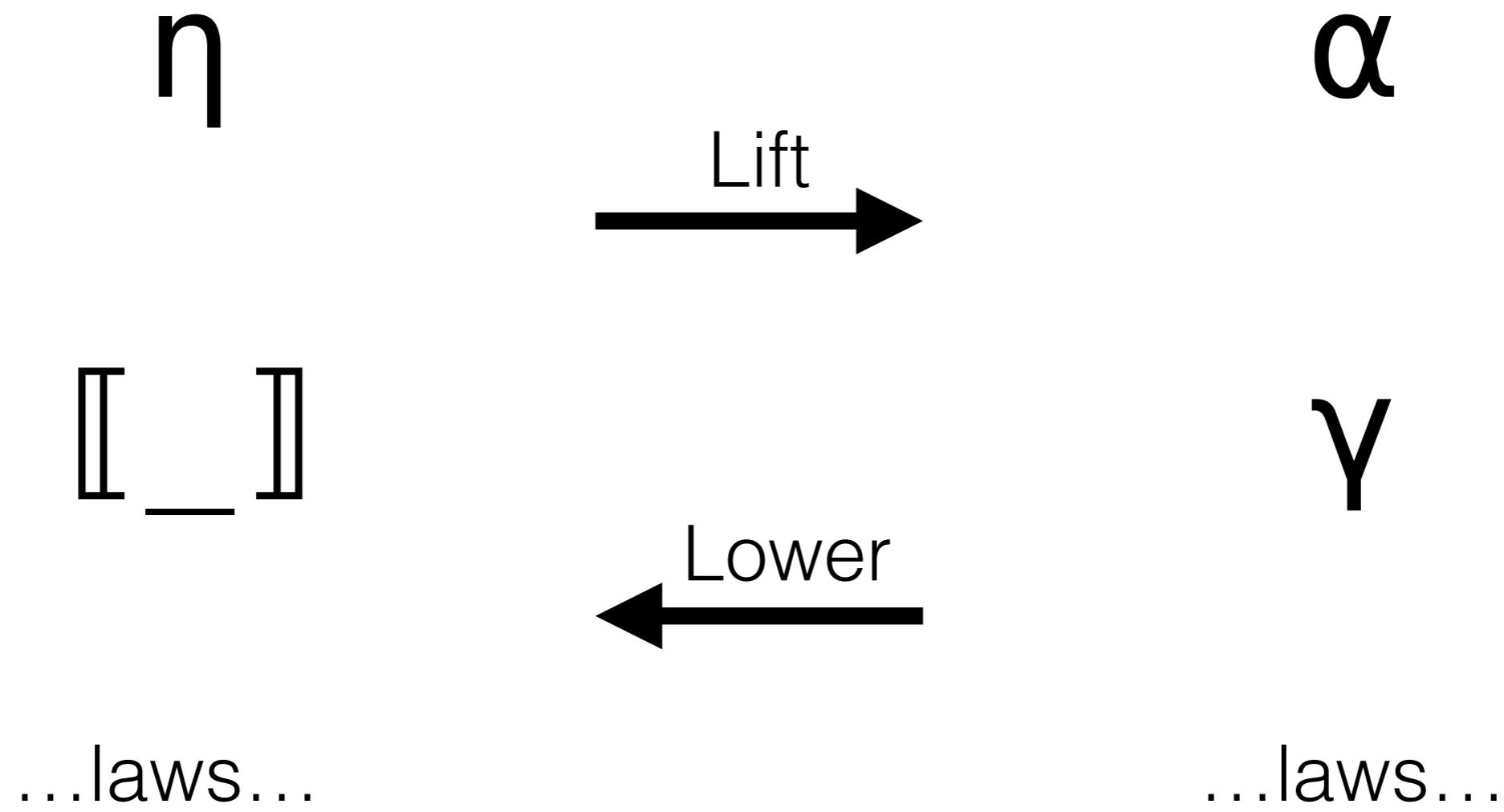
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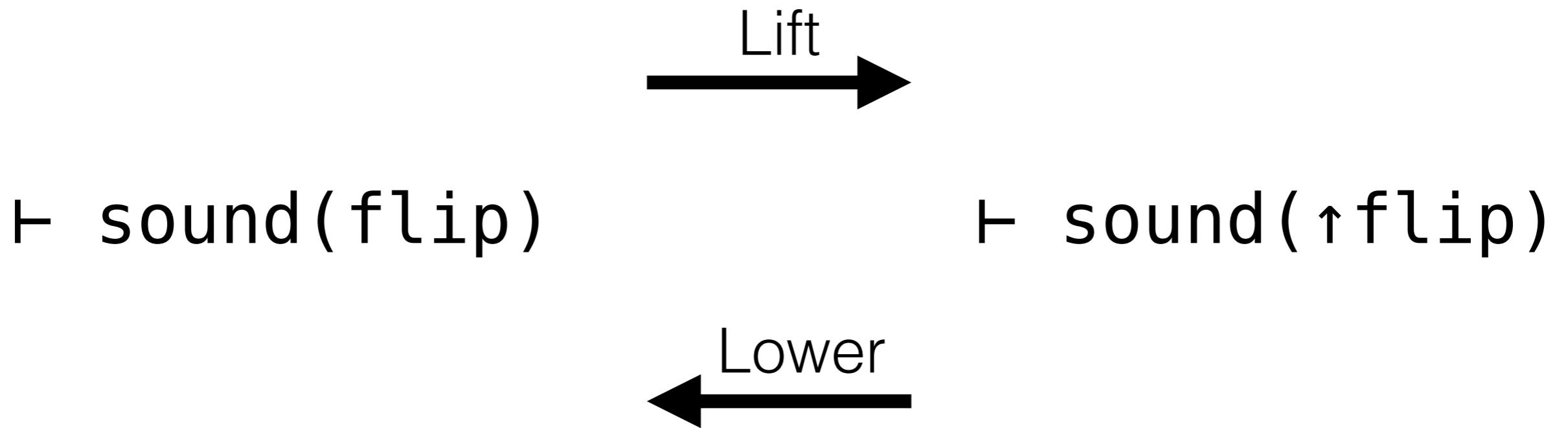
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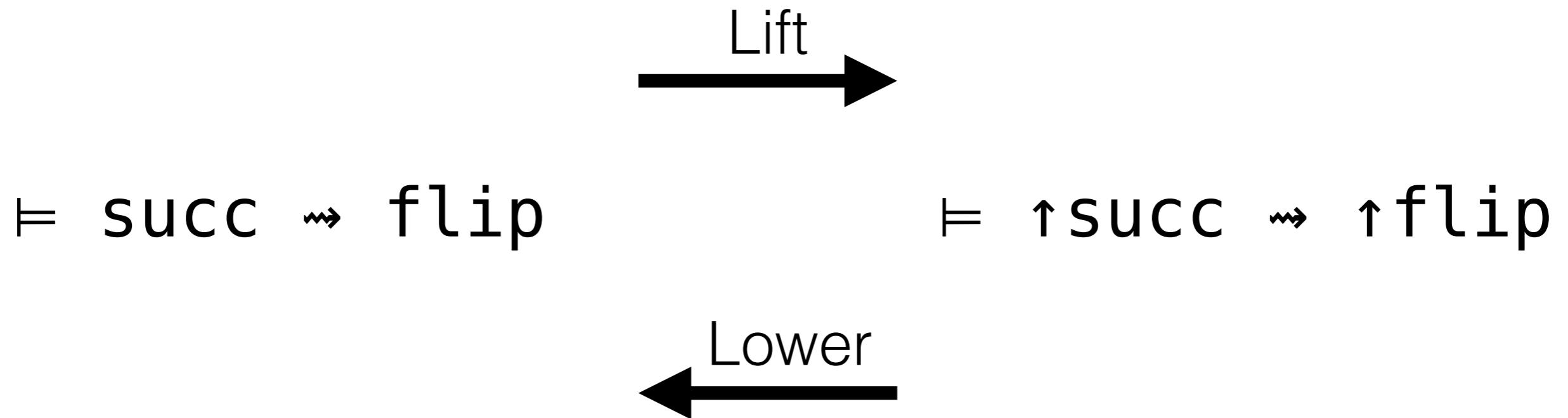
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"Galois connections in the powerset monad"

A ⇌ B

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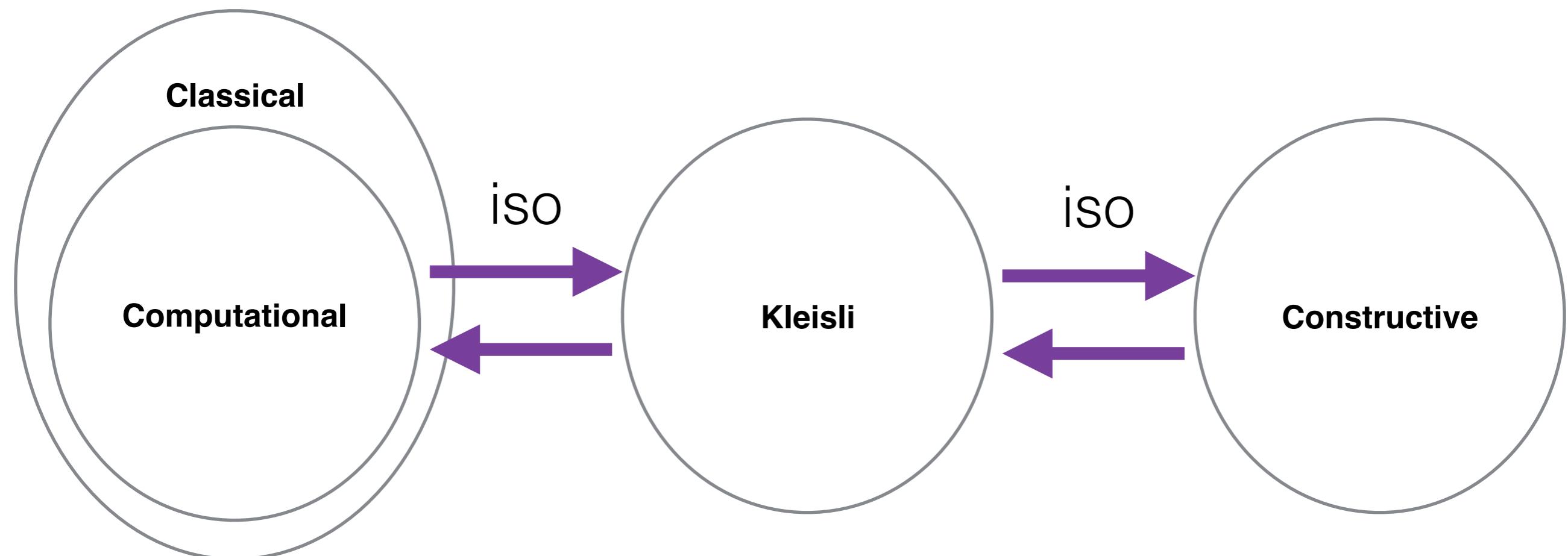
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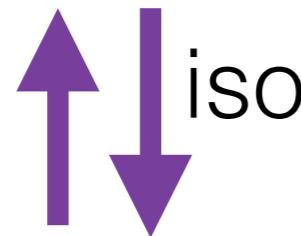
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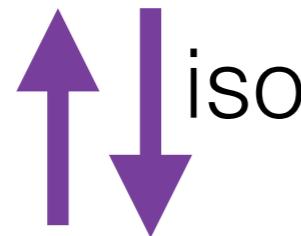
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# Two Case Studies

- (1) A **synthesized abstract interpreter** for an imperative programming language
- (2) A **gradual type system** built on abstract interpretation
- Mechanized in Agda; would not have been possible using classical GCs in both cases
- Simpler proofs and calculations in both cases

# My Toolbox

AAM

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“The hard part of static analysis is  
defining the right *concrete* interpreter”  
-Me [*wisdom of MM+DVH*]

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“Want a language with feature X?  
Write an interpreter in a meta-language with X.”  
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“Mechanize tiny and huge formalisms.  
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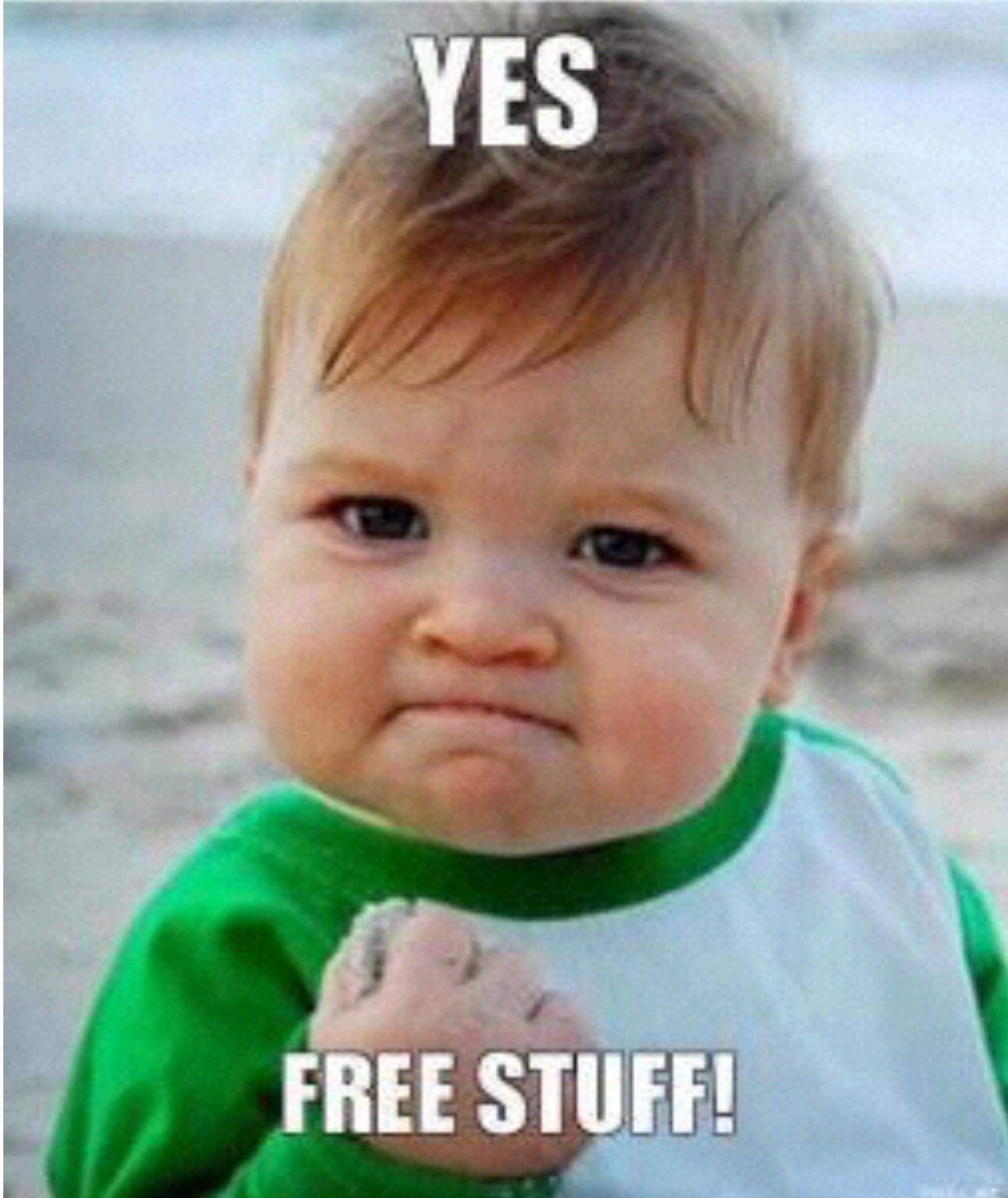


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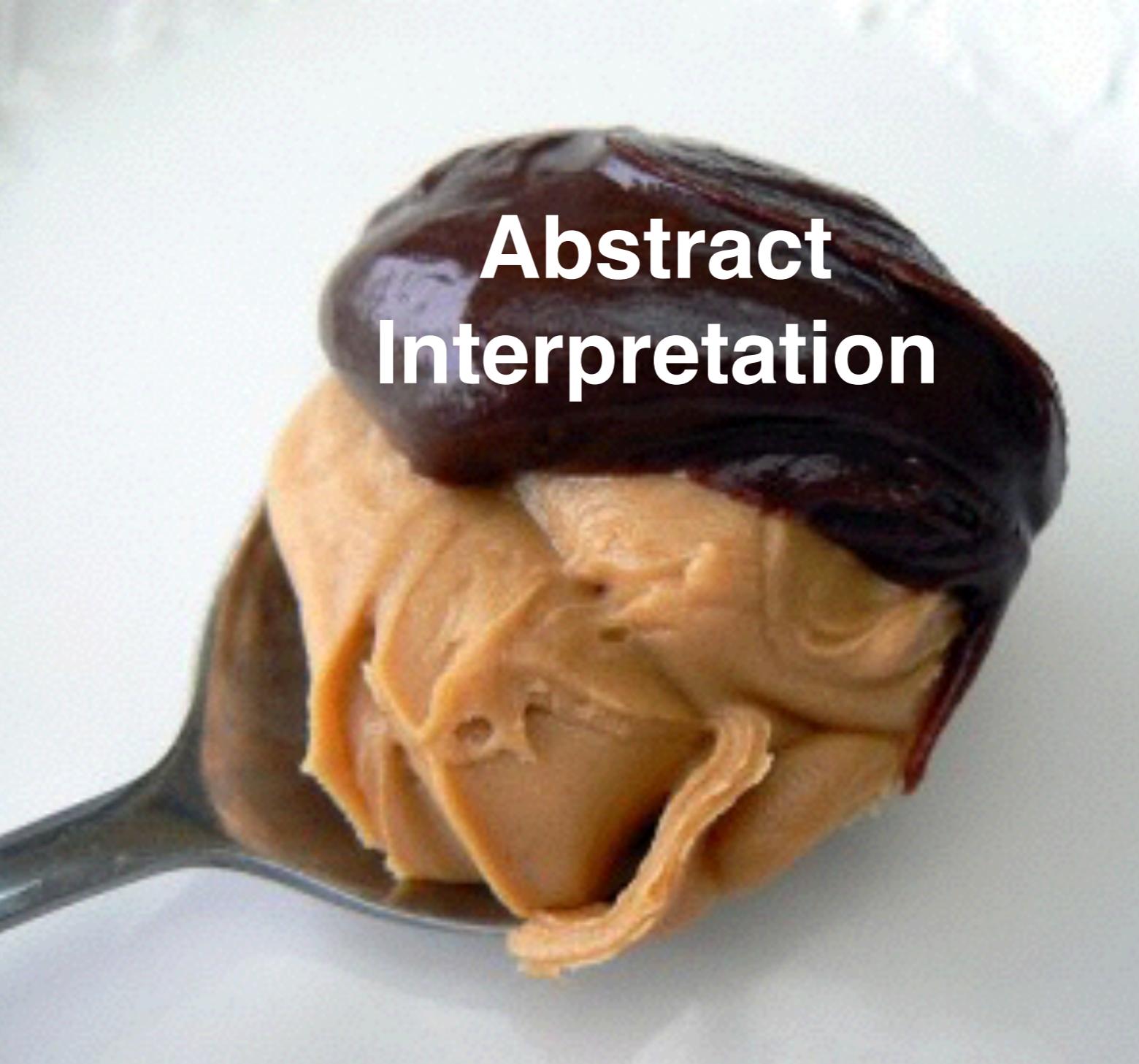
# Galois Connections + Monotonicity



A close-up photograph of a baby with light brown hair, looking directly at the camera with a neutral to slightly grumpy expression. The baby is wearing a green and white long-sleeved shirt. A large, light-colored rock is held in their right hand, positioned in front of their chest. The background is a soft-focus outdoor scene, possibly a beach or coastal area.

**YES**

**FREE STUFF!**



Abstract  
Interpretation

BANG HEAD HERE



# GOOD COP



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# HATERS



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