

# PB-groupoids vs VB-groupoids

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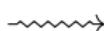
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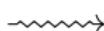
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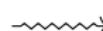
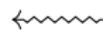
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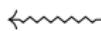
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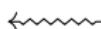
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What about replacing  $M$  with a Lie groupoid  $\mathcal{G} \rightrightarrows M$ ?

# Outline

- 1 VB-groupoids
- 2 Frames of a VB-groupoid
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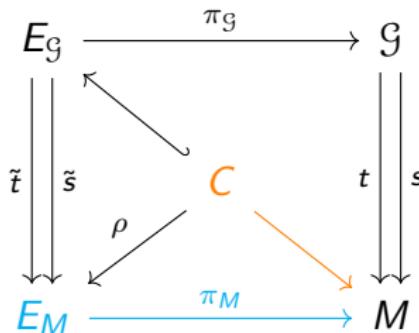
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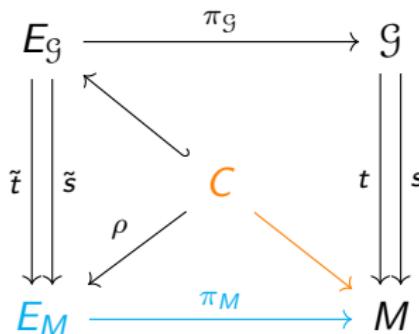
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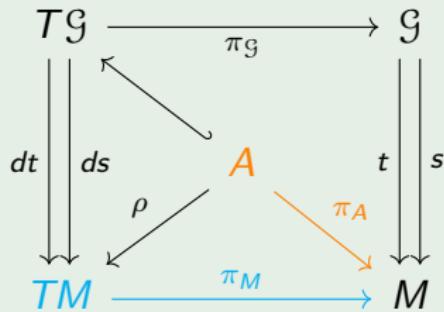
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(so that  $\text{rank}(E_{\mathcal{G}}) = l + k$ )

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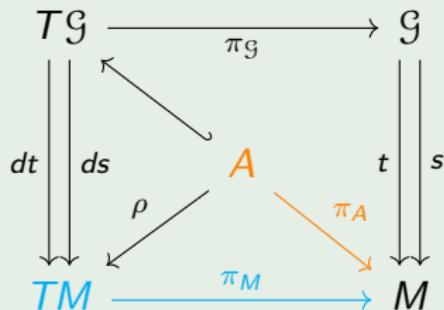
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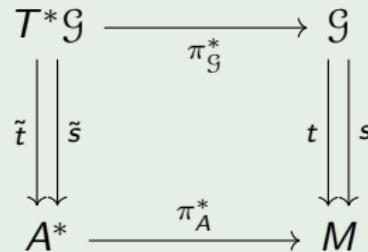
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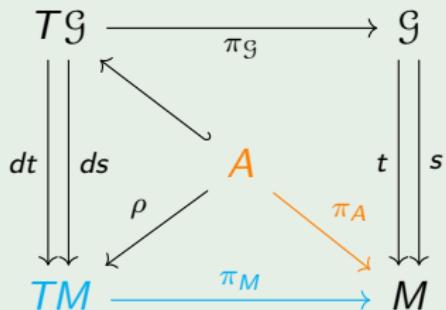


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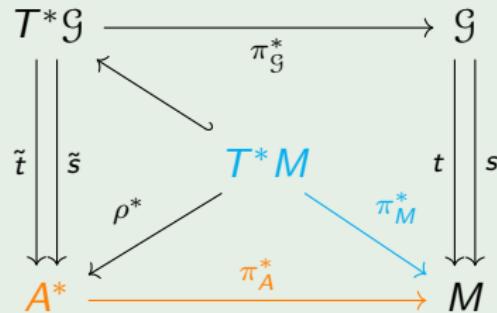


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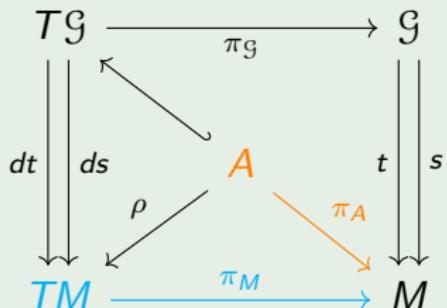
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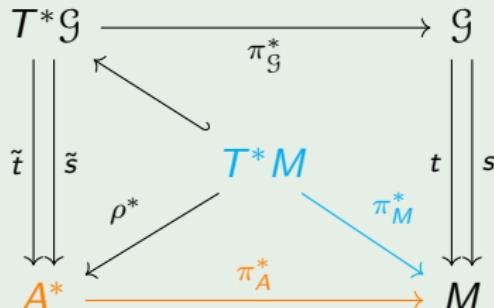
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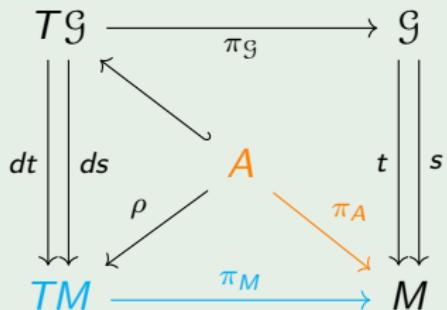


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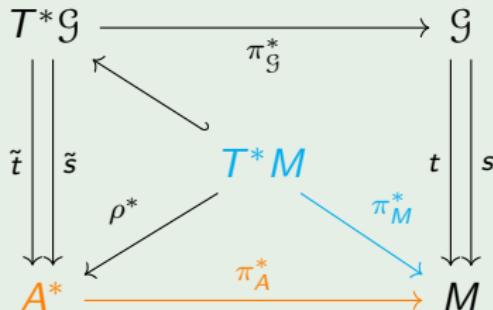
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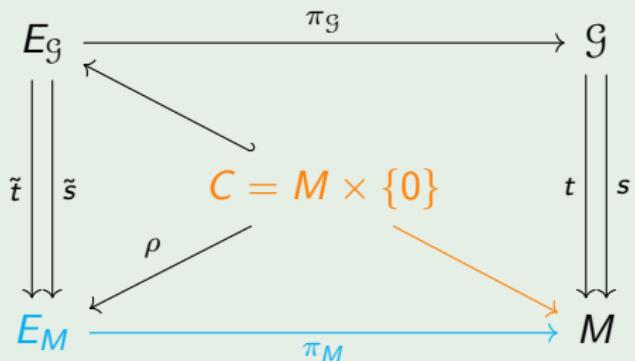


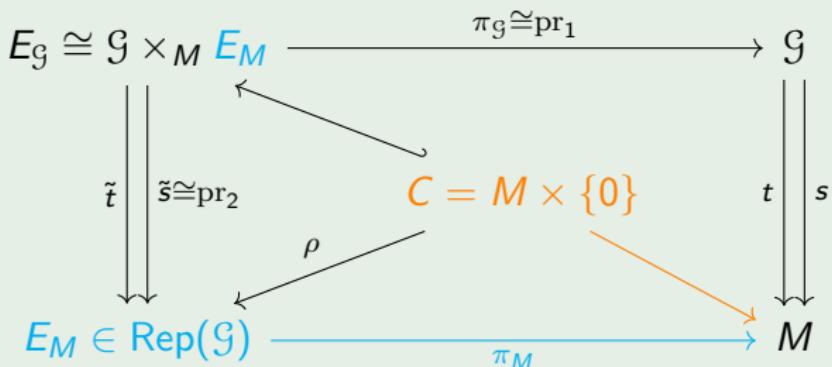
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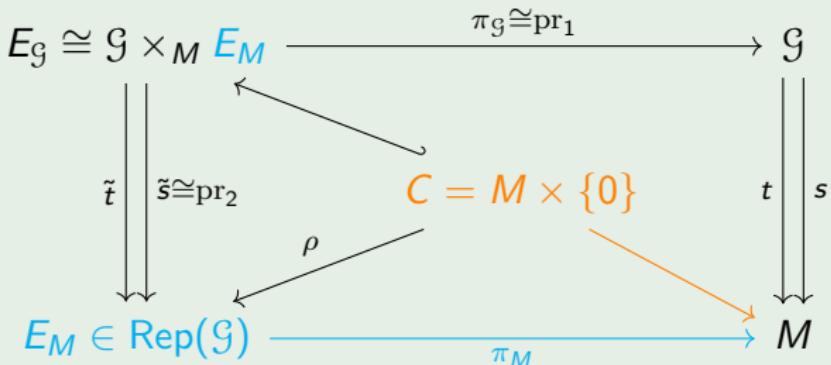
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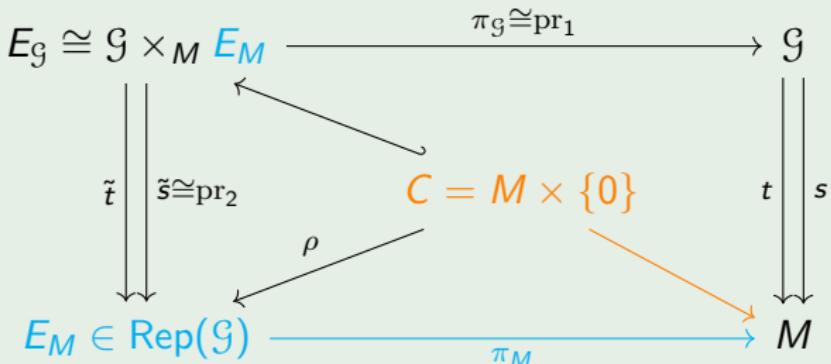
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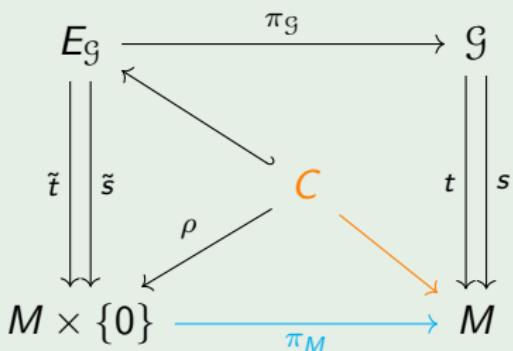
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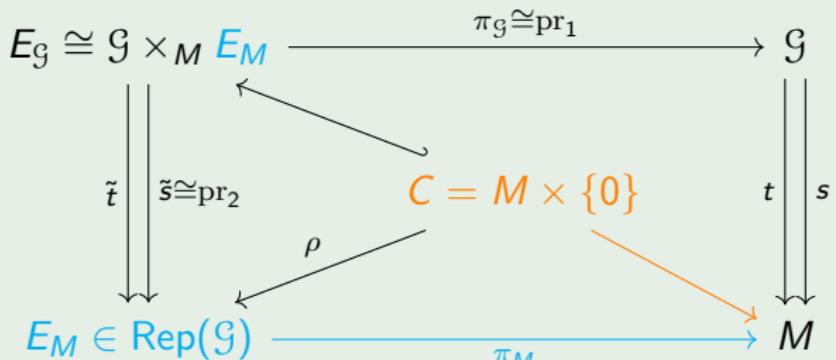
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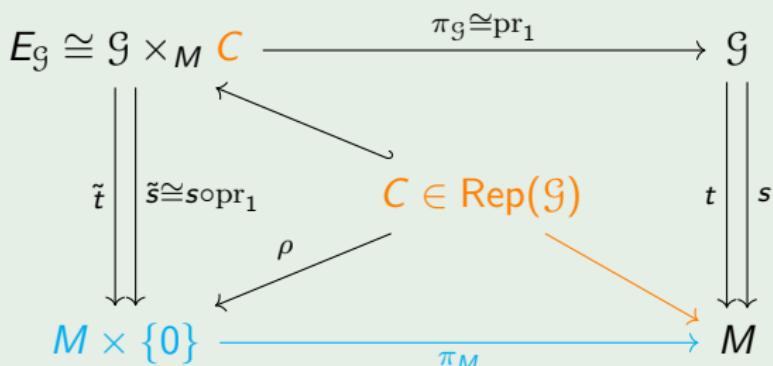
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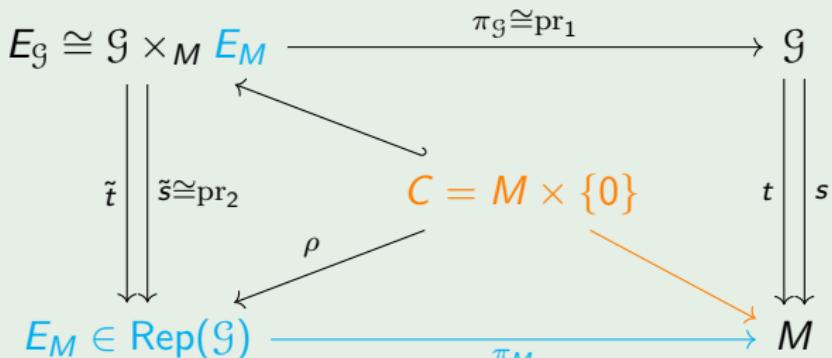


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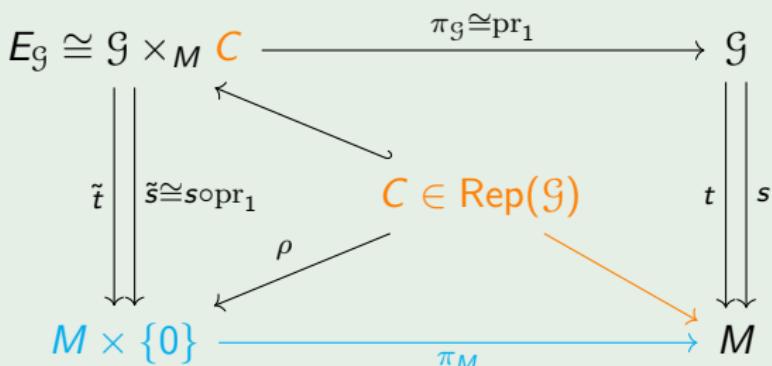
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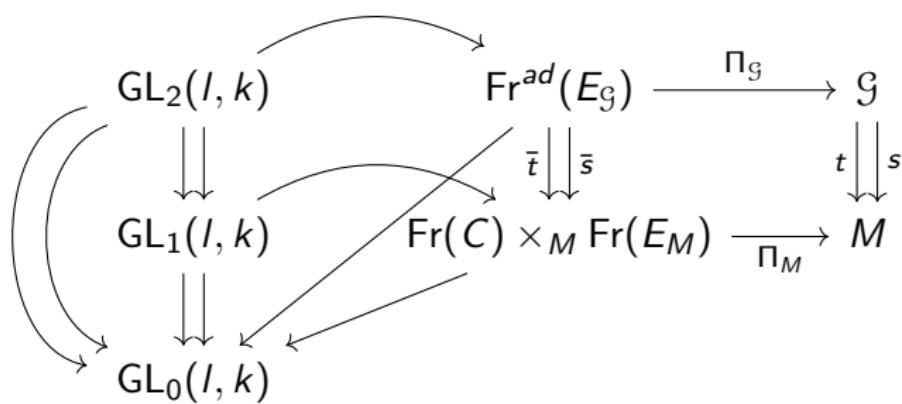
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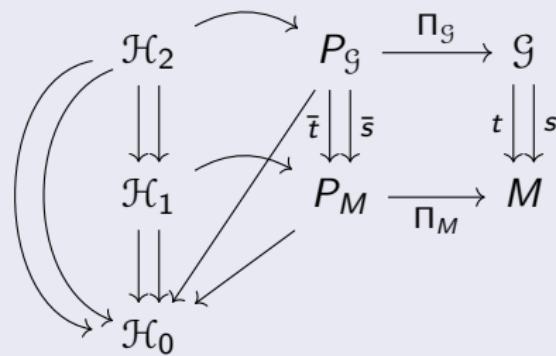
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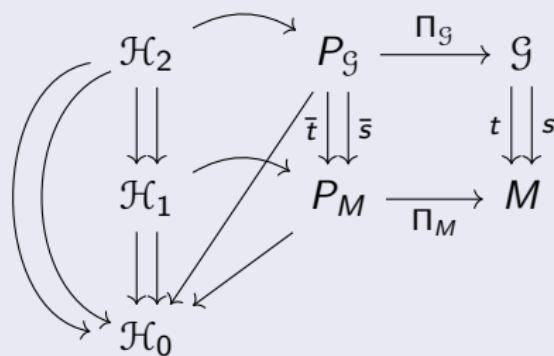
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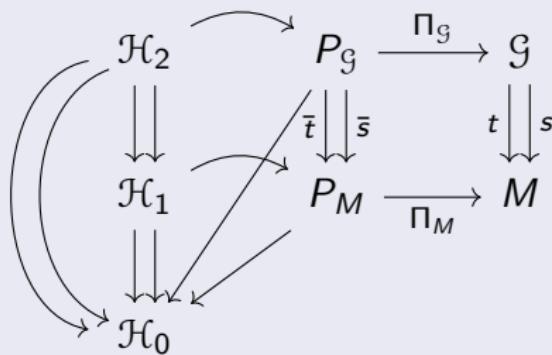
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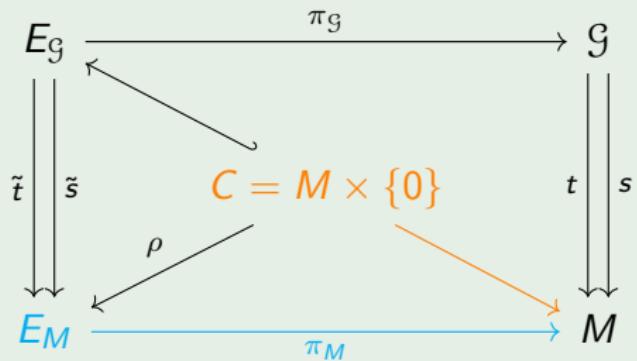
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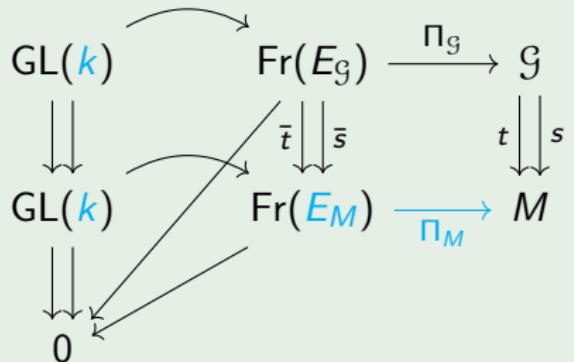
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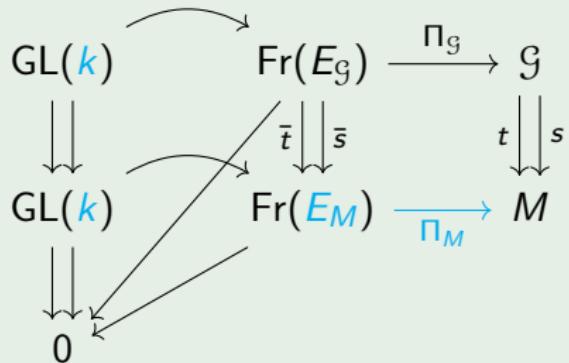
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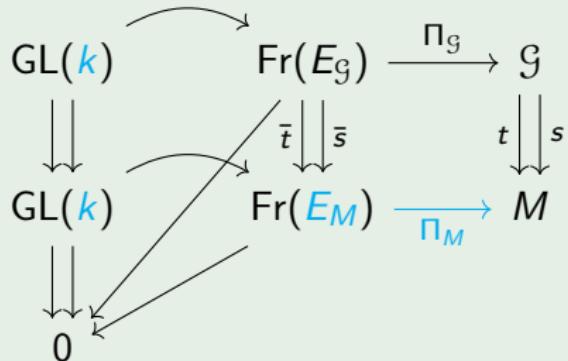


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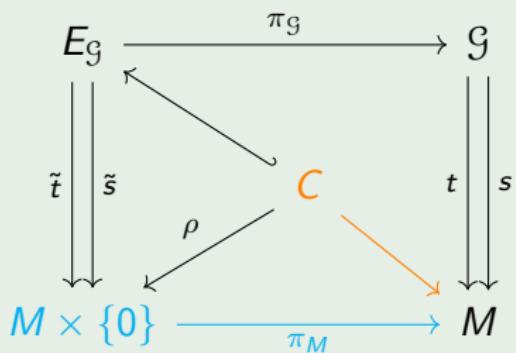


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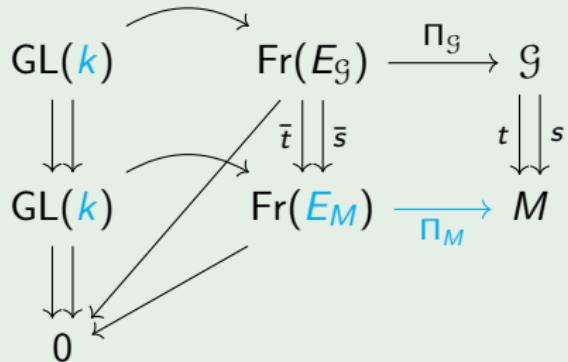
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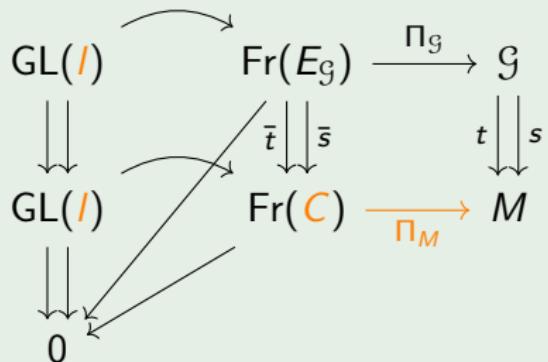
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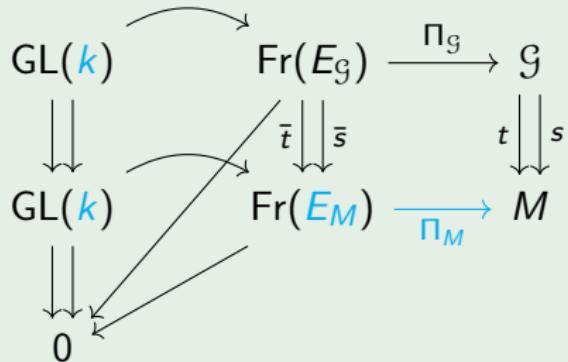
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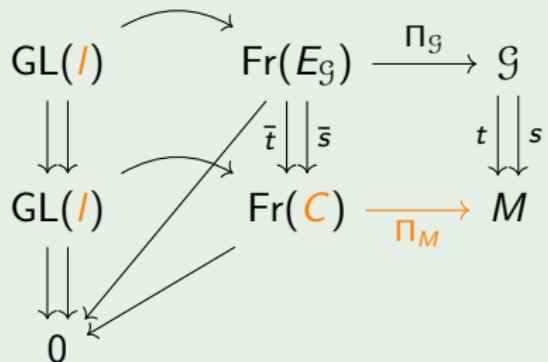
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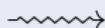
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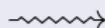
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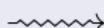
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