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**A new class of dendrites having unique second  
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A *continuum* is a nonempty compact connected metric space.

The *second symmetric product of a continuum*  $X$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$ , is the hyperspace of all nonempty subsets of  $X$  having at most two elements.

The hyperspace  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  is a continuum with Hausdorff metric.

A continuum  $X$  *has unique second symmetric product* provided that each continuum  $Y$  such that  $\mathcal{F}_2(Y)$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  must be homeomorphic to  $X$ .

**Problem.** Find condition on a continuum  $X$ , so that  $X$  has unique second symmetric product.

A locally connected continuum contains no simple closed curve is called *dendrite*.

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A connected topological space  $X$  is said to be *unicoherent* provided that whenever  $A$  and  $B$  are connected closed subsets of  $X$  such that  $X = A \cup B$ , then  $A \cap B$  is connected.

A point  $p$  in a unicoherent topological space  $Y$  *makes a hole* in  $Y$ , if  $Y - \{p\}$  is not unicoherent.

## Theorem (Anaya, Maya, Orozco-Zitli (2016))

*Let  $X$  be a unicoherent locally connected continuum and  $p, q \in X$ . Then  $\{p, q\}$  makes a hole in  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  if and only if either  $p = q$  and  $X - \{p\}$  has at least three components or  $p \neq q$  and both  $X - \{p\}$  and  $X - \{q\}$  are not connected.*

$\mathcal{MH}(X) = \{A \in \mathcal{F}_2(X) : A \text{ makes a hole in } \mathcal{F}_2(X)\}.$

Corollary.

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## Corollary.

If  $X$  is a dendrite, then  $\mathcal{MH}(X) = \{A \in \mathcal{F}_2(X) - \mathcal{F}_1(X) : A \cap E(X) = \emptyset\} \cup \mathcal{F}_1(R(X))$

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If  $X$  is a dendrite, then  $\mathcal{NMH}(X) = \mathcal{F}_1(O(X)) \cup \{A \in \mathcal{F}_2(X) : A \cap E(X) \neq \emptyset\}$

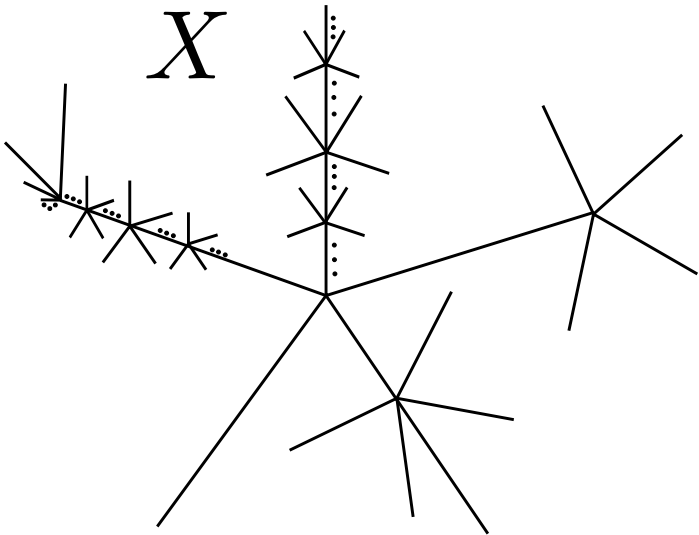


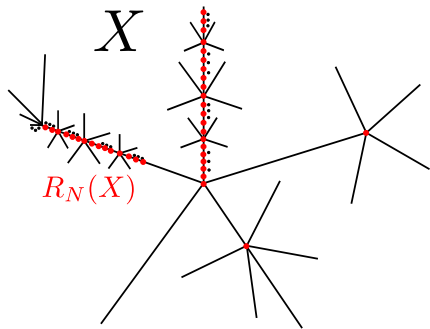
$$CR(X) = \cap\{A \in \mathcal{C}(X) : R(X) \subseteq A\}.$$

## Theorem

*If  $X$  and  $Y$  are dendrites such that  $CR(X) = \cap\{A \in \mathcal{C}(X) : R_N(X) \subseteq A\}$  and there exists a homeomorphism  $h : \mathcal{F}_2(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2(Y)$  satisfying that  $h(\mathcal{F}_1(R_N(X))) = \mathcal{F}_1(R_N(Y))$ , then  $X$  and  $Y$  are homeomorphic.*

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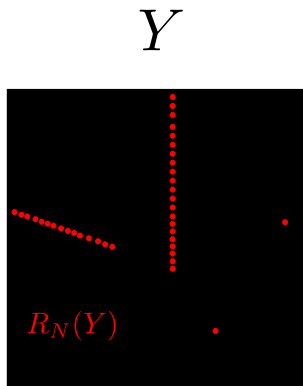
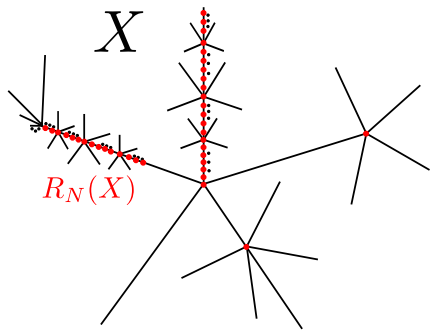




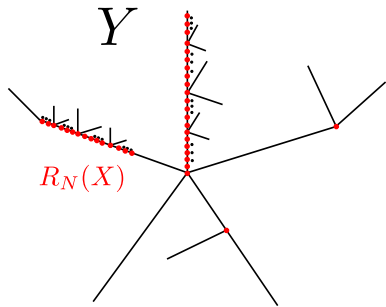
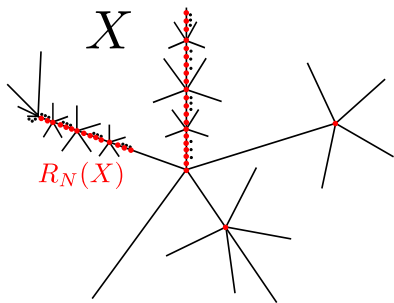
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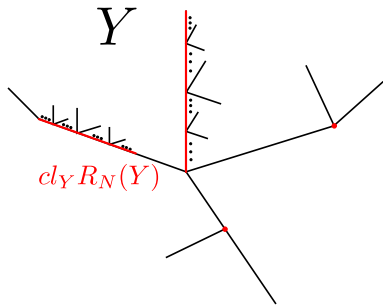
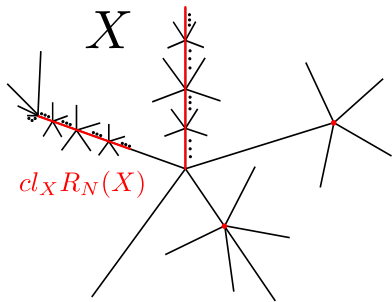


$h : \mathcal{F}_2(X) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2(Y)$  such that  $h(\mathcal{F}_1(R_N(X))) = \mathcal{F}_1(R_N(Y))$ .

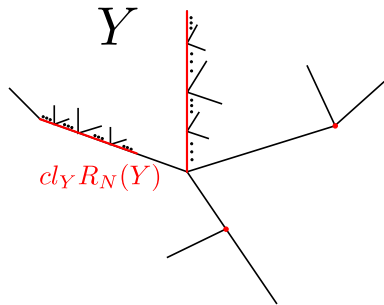
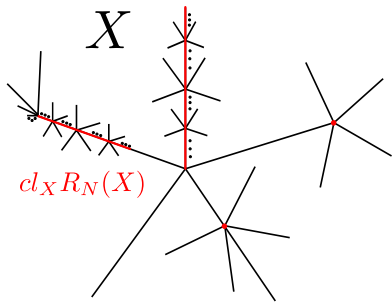


$\varphi : R_N(X) \rightarrow R_N(Y)$  such that  $h(\{p\}) = \{\varphi(p)\}$ .

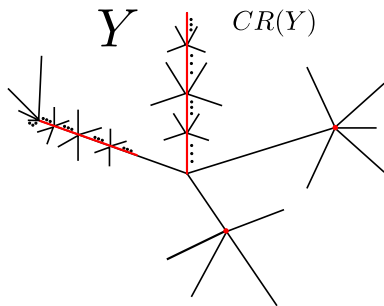
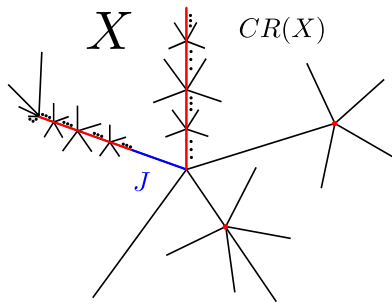




$$h(\mathcal{F}_1(cl_X R_N(X))) = \mathcal{F}_1(cl_Y R_N(Y)).$$

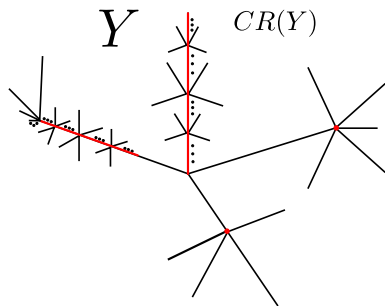
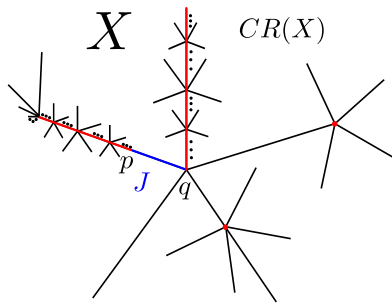


$\hat{\varphi} : cl_X R_N(X) \rightarrow cl_Y R_N(Y)$  such that  $h(\{p\}) = \{\hat{\varphi}(p)\}$



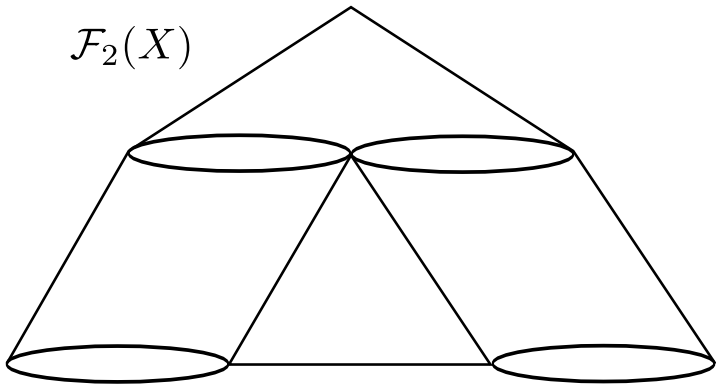
$J$  is component of  $X - cl_X R_N(X)$  such that  $J \cap E(X) = \emptyset$ .



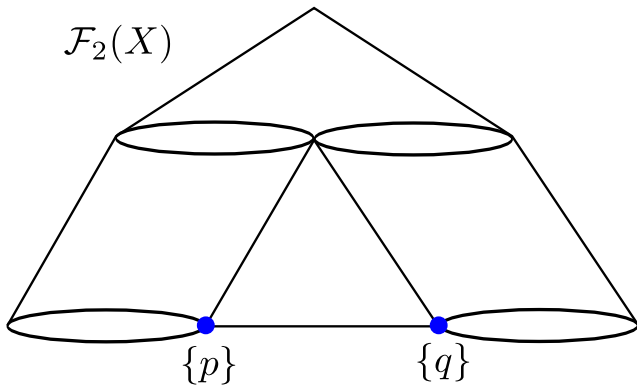


$$E(cl_X J) = \{p, q\} \subseteq cl_X R_N(X) \text{ and}$$

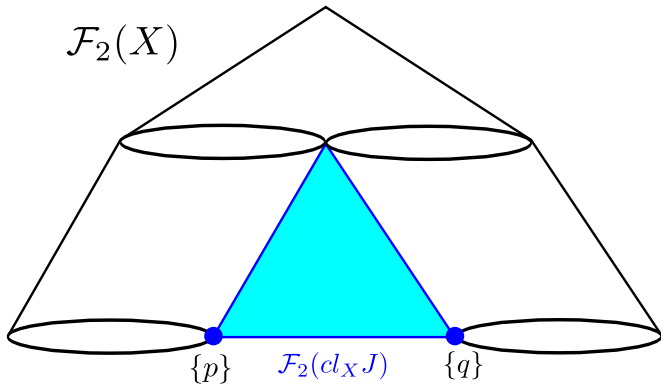
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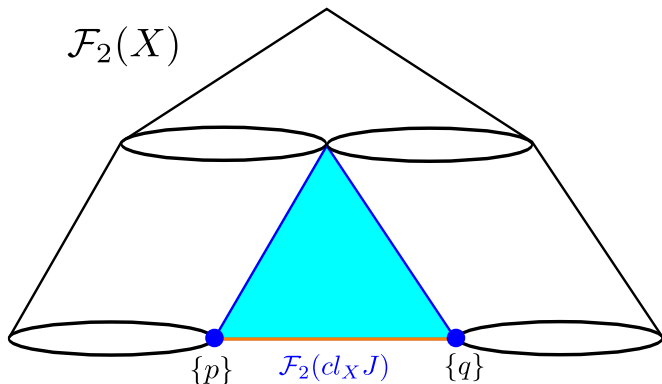


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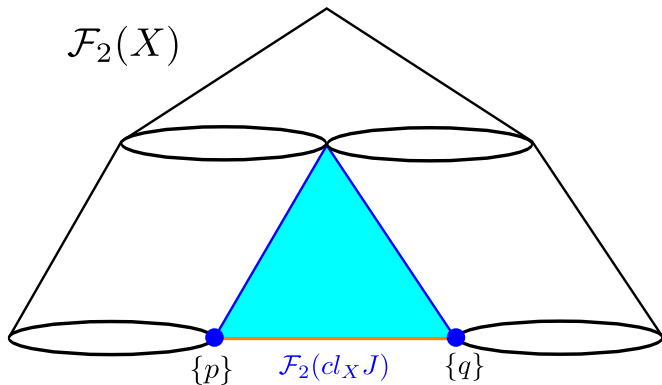


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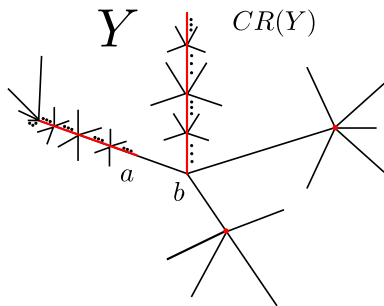
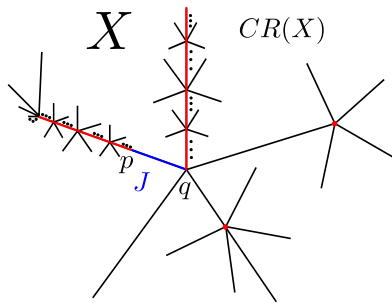




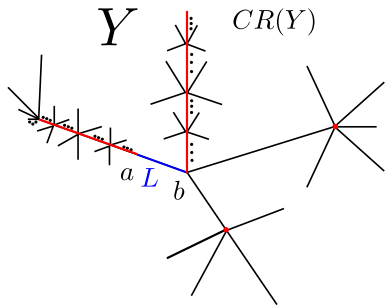
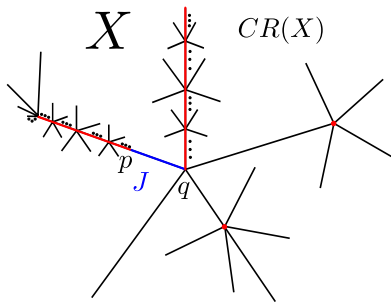
$\mathcal{J} = F_1(cl_X J)$  is the unique arc in  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  such that  $E(\mathcal{J}) = \{\{p\}, \{q\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{J} - E(\mathcal{J}) \subseteq \mathcal{NMH}(X)$ .



$h(\mathcal{J})$  is an arc in  $\mathcal{F}_2(Y)$  such that  
 $E(h(\mathcal{J})) = \{h(\{p\}), h(\{q\})\}$  and  
 $h(\mathcal{J}) - E(h(\mathcal{J})) \subseteq \mathcal{NMH}(Y)$ .

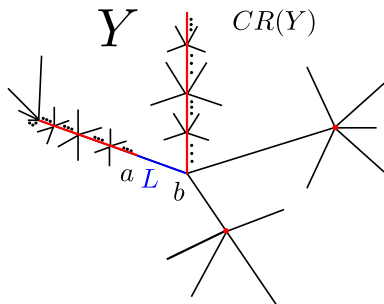
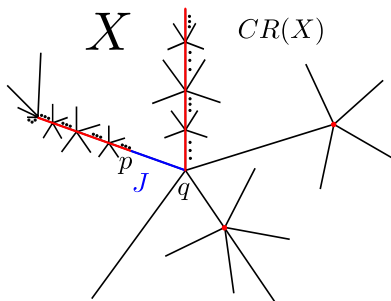


$a, b \in cl_Y R_N(Y)$  satisfying  $h(\{p\}) = \{a\}$  and  $h(\{q\}) = \{b\}$ .

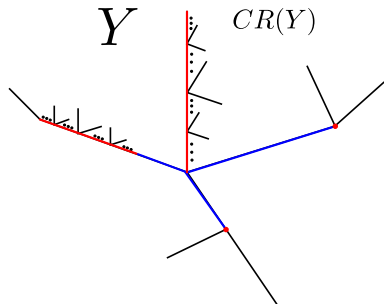
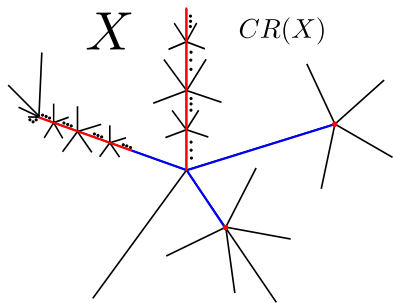


Then the unique component  $L$  of  $Y - cl_Y R_N(Y)$  such that  $E(cl_Y L) = \{a, b\}$  satisfies that  $\mathcal{L} = F_1(cl_X L)$  is the unique arc in  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  such that  $E(\mathcal{L}) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}\}$  and  $\mathcal{L} - E(\mathcal{L}) \subseteq \mathcal{NMH}(L)$ .

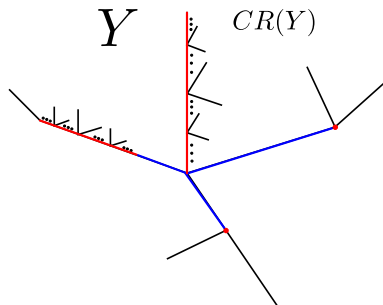
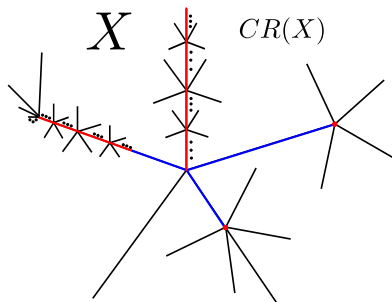




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$$h(\mathcal{F}_1(CR(X))) = \mathcal{F}_1(CR(Y)).$$

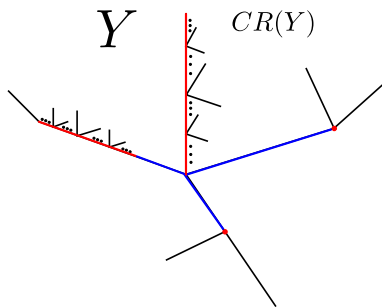
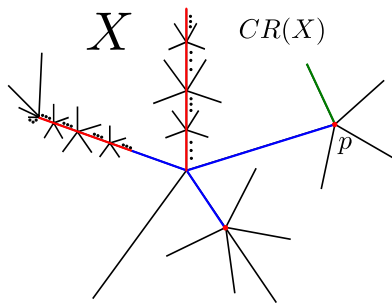


$$h(\mathcal{F}_1(CR(X))) = \mathcal{F}_1(CR(Y)).$$

$\bar{\varphi} : CR(X) \rightarrow CR(Y)$  such that  $h(\{x\}) = \{\bar{\varphi}(x)\}$ .

## Theorem (Illanes, 2002)

*If  $X$  is a dendrite and  $Z \in \mathcal{C}(X)$  is such that  $CR(X) \subseteq Z$  and each component of  $X - CR(X)$  intersects  $Z$ , then  $Z$  is homeomorphic to  $X$ .*

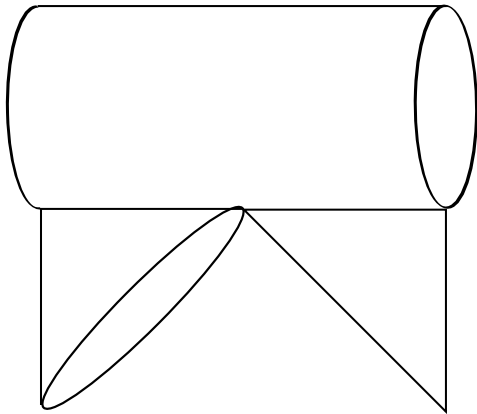


$K$  is component of  $X - CR(X)$ ,

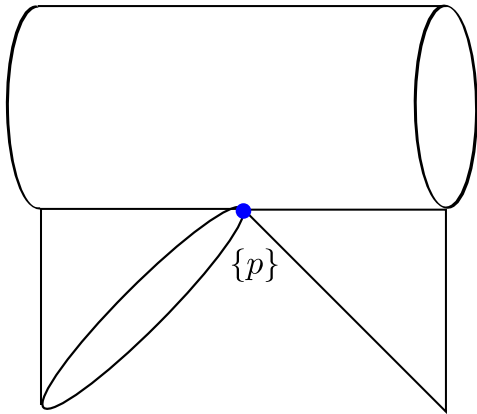
$\{p\} = CR(X) \cap (cl_X K) = (cl_X R_N(X)) \cap (cl_X K)$  and

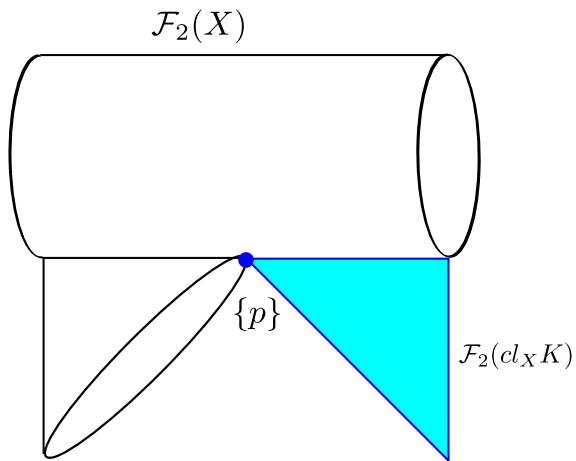
$K \cap E(X) = \{e\}$ .

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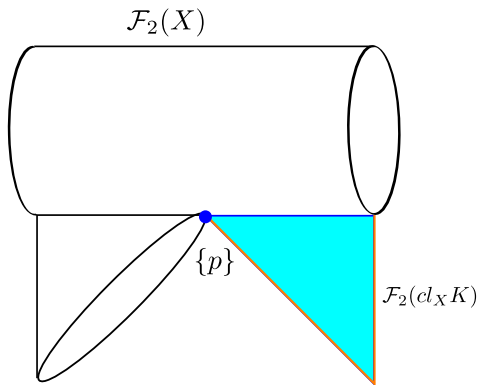


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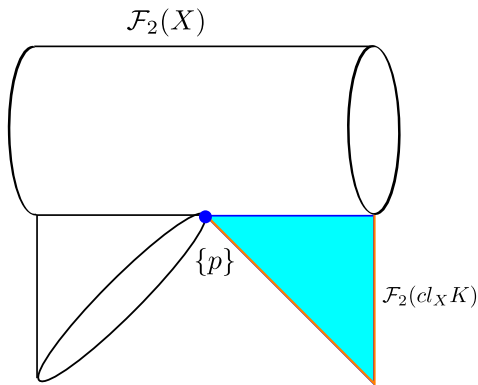




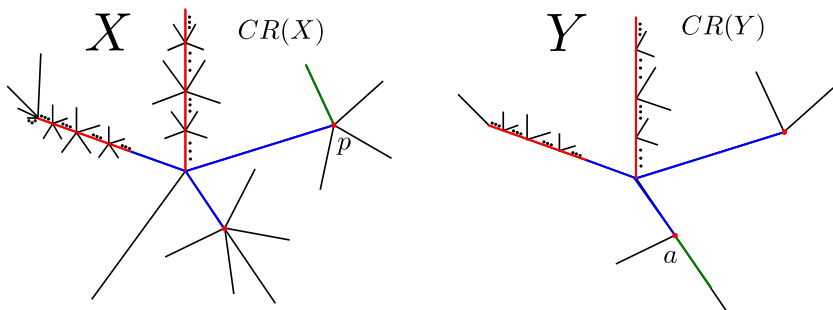




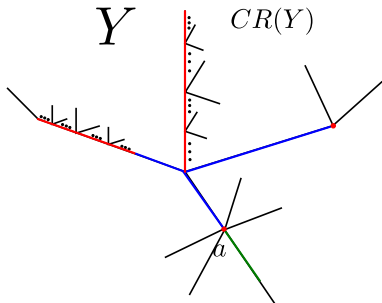
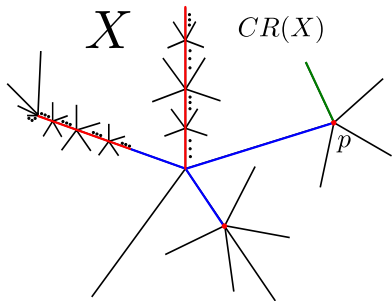
$\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{F}_1(\text{cl}_X K) \cup \{A \in \mathcal{F}_2(\text{cl}_X K) : e \in A\}$  is the unique arc in  $\mathcal{F}_2(X)$  such that  $E(\mathcal{K}) = \{\{p\}, \{e, p\}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{K} - E(\mathcal{K}) \subseteq \mathcal{NMH}(X)$  and  $\mathcal{K} - E(\mathcal{K})$  does not contain ramification points of  $\mathcal{NMH}(X)$ .



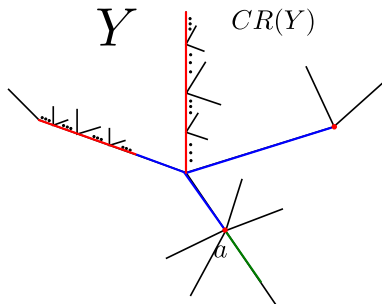
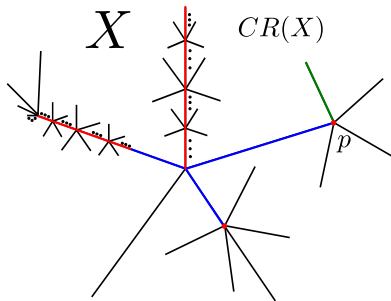
$h(K)$  is the unique arc in  $\mathcal{F}_2(Y)$  such that  
 $E(h(K)) = \{h(\{p\}), h(\{e, p\})\}$ ,  $h(K) - E(h(K)) \subseteq \mathcal{NMH}(Y)$  and  
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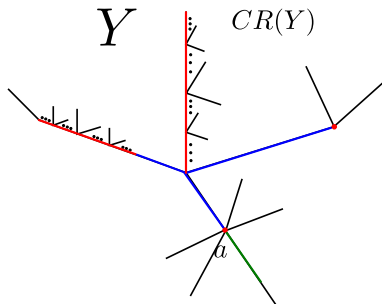
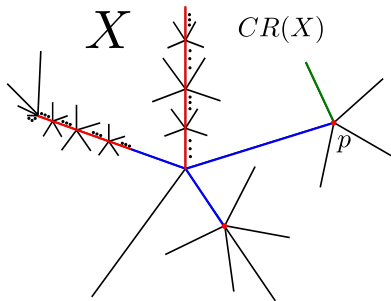
$a \in cl_Y R_N(Y)$  such that  $h(\{p\}) = \{a\}$ , then there exists a component  $G$  of  $X - CR(X)$  such that  $a \in cl_Y G$  and if  $v \in (cl_Y G) \cap E(Y)$ , then  $h(\mathcal{K}) \subseteq \mathcal{F}_1(cl_Y G) \cup \{B \in \mathcal{F}_2(cl_Y G) : v \in B\} = \mathcal{G}$ .



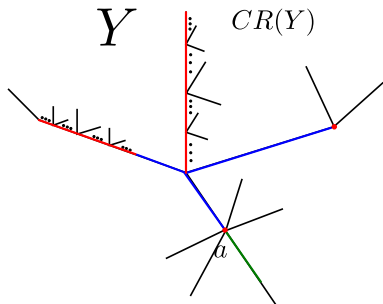
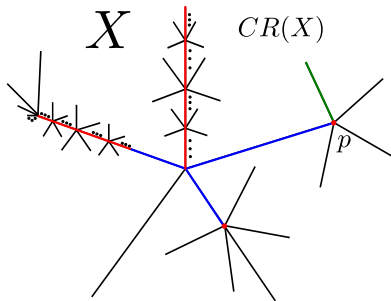
$h(\mathcal{F}_1(cl_X K)) \cap \mathcal{F}_1(cl_Y G)$  is an arc contained in  $\mathcal{F}_1(cl_X G)$  such that  $\{a\} \in E(h(\mathcal{F}_1(cl_X K)) \cap \mathcal{F}_1(cl_Y G))$ .



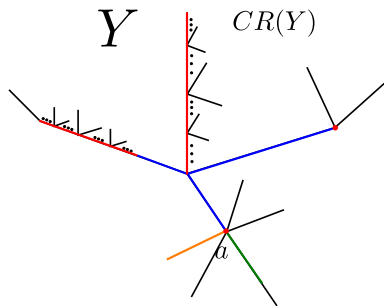
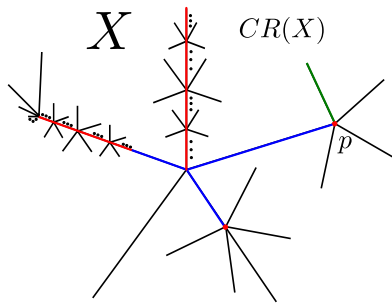
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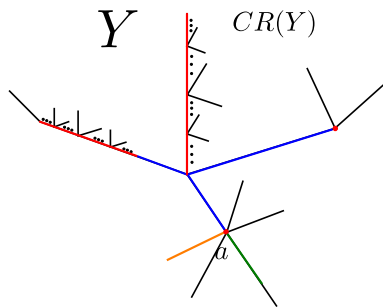
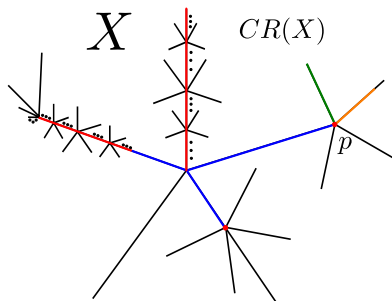


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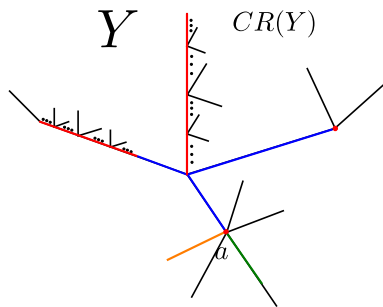
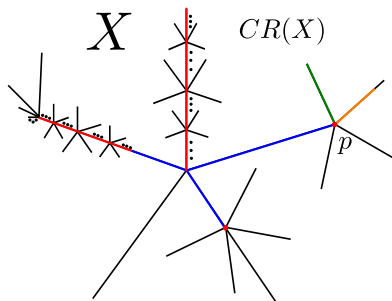


$F$  is a component of  $Y - CR(Y)$  such that  $a \in cl_Y F$ .

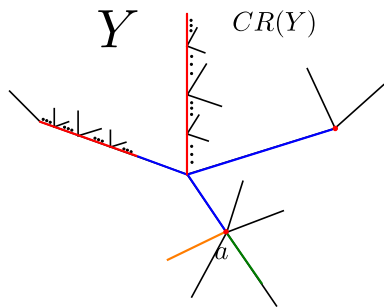
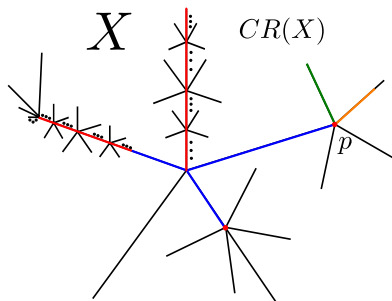




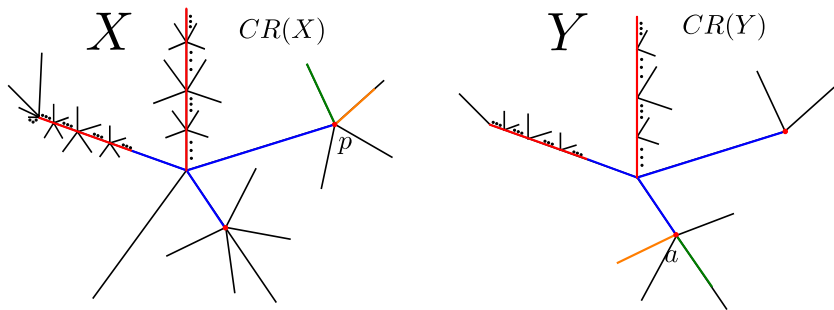
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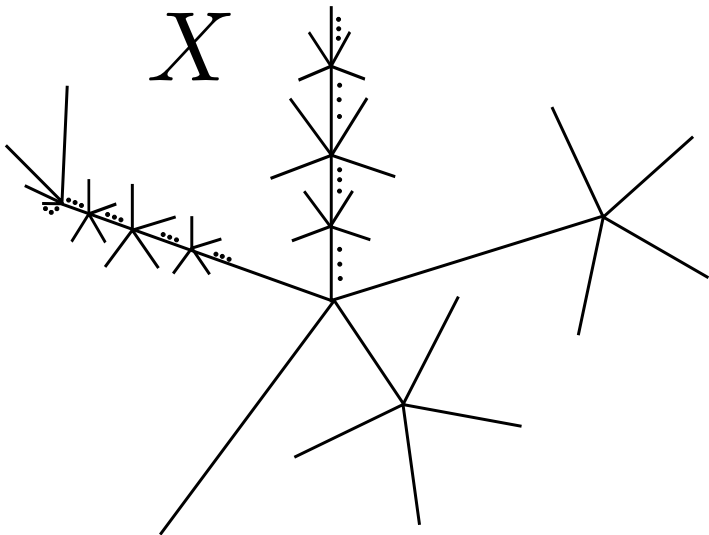
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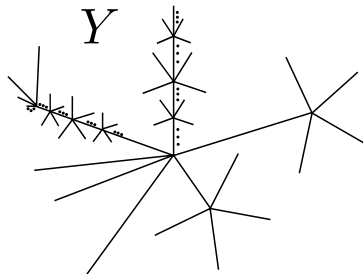
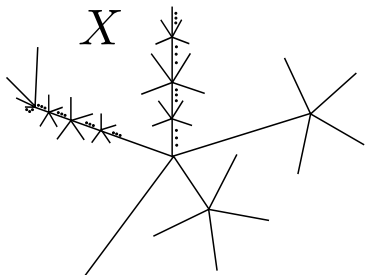
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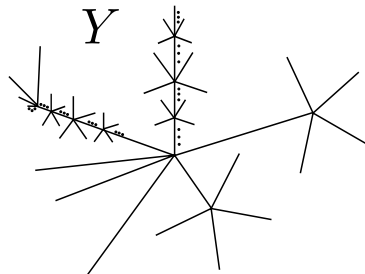
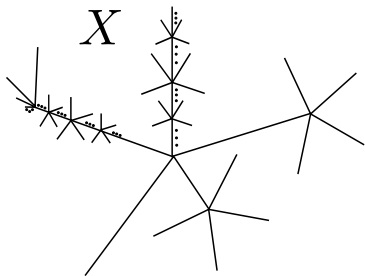
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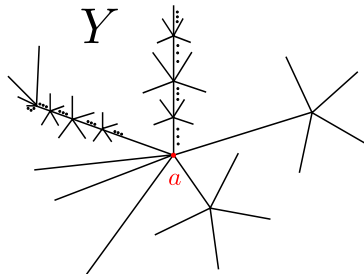
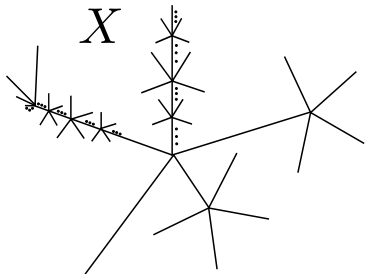


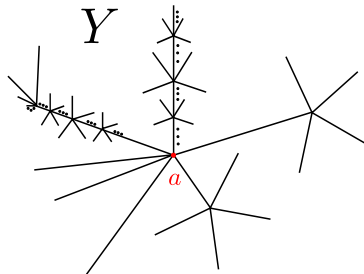
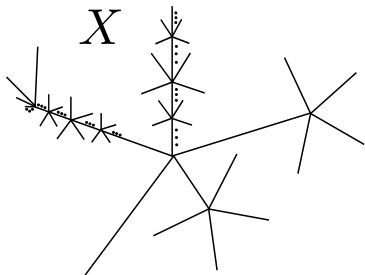




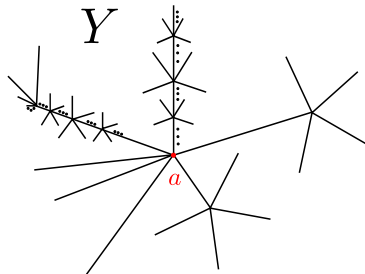
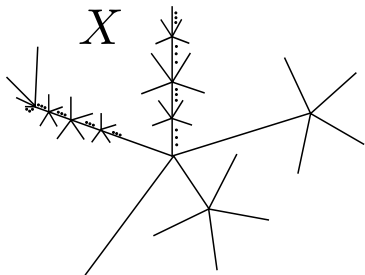
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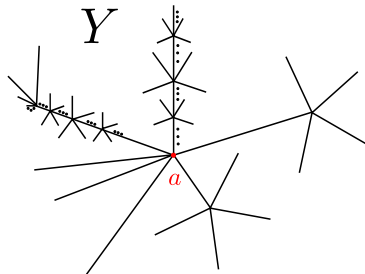
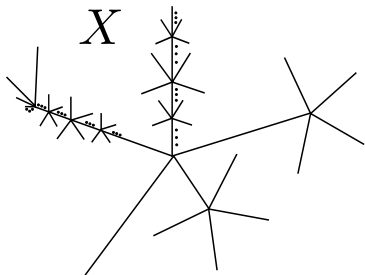




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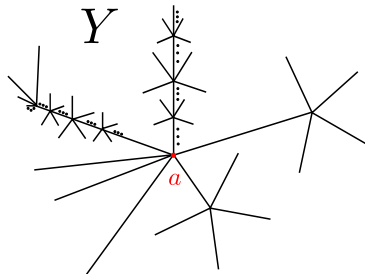
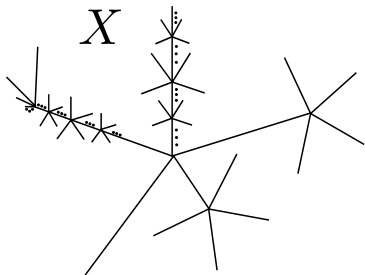


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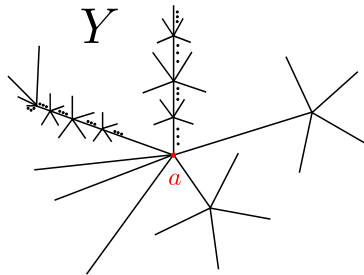
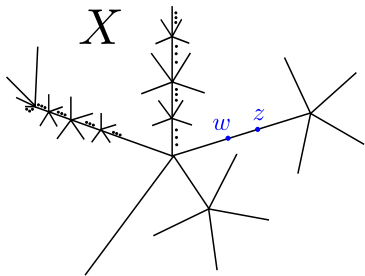
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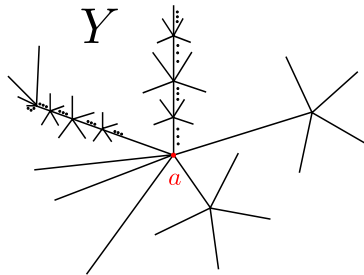
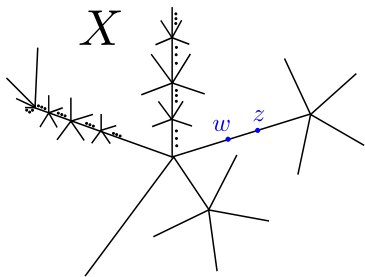


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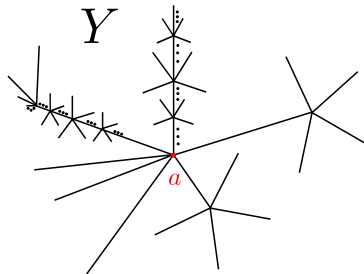
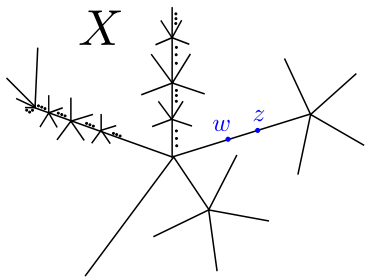
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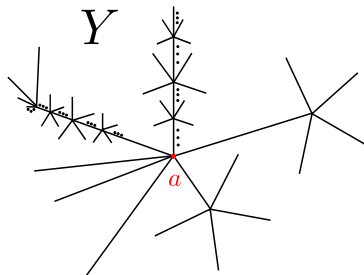
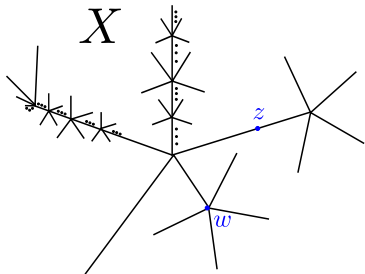
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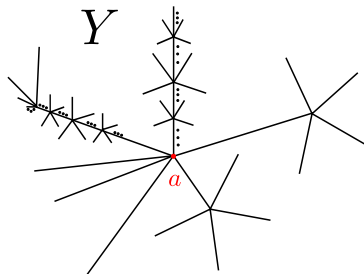
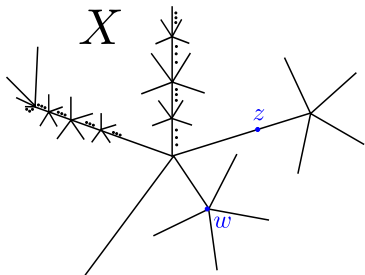


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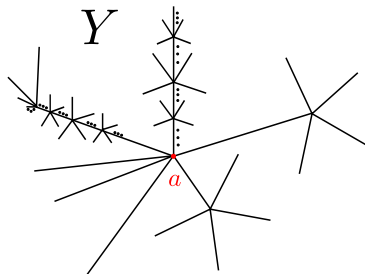
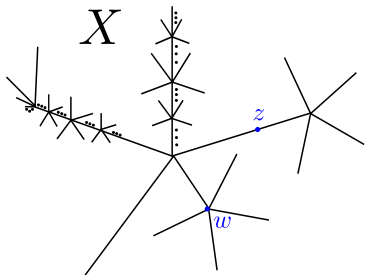
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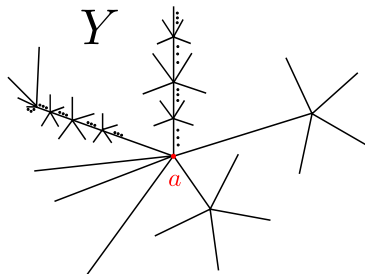
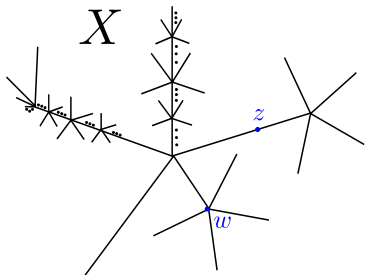


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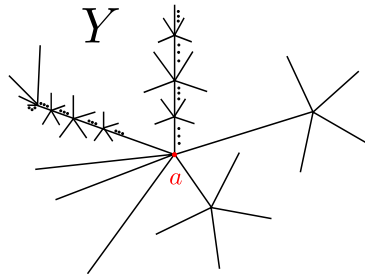
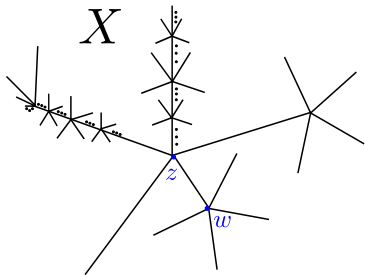
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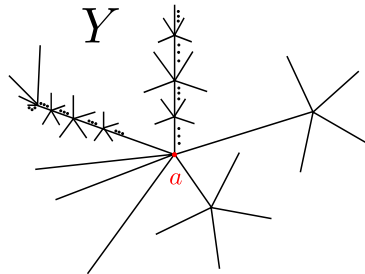
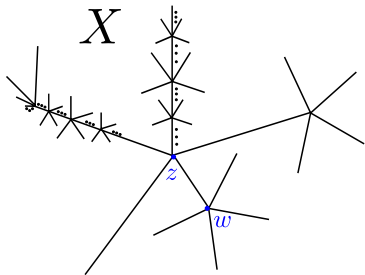


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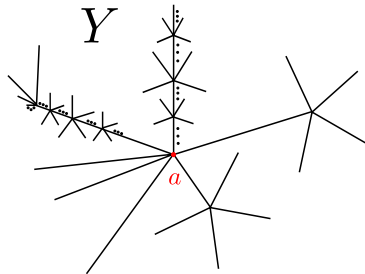
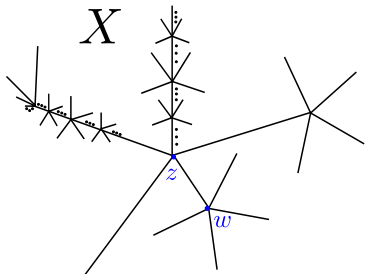
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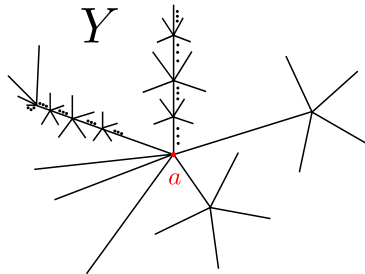
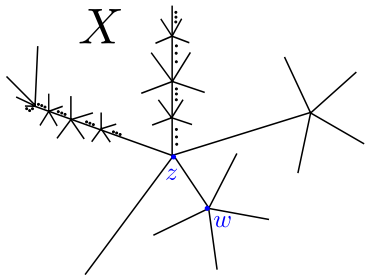


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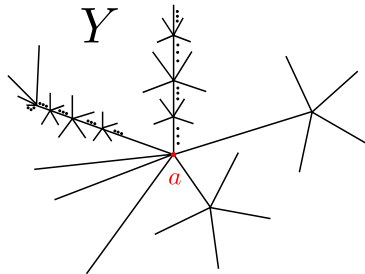
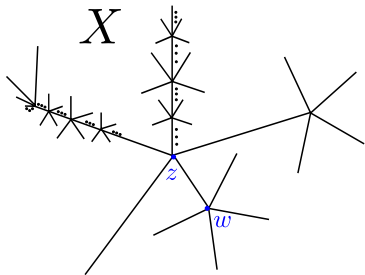
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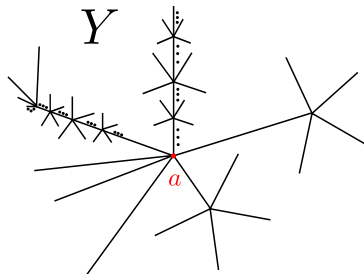
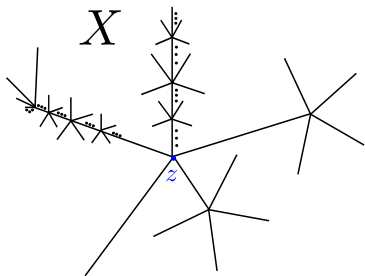
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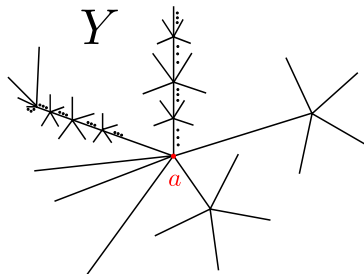
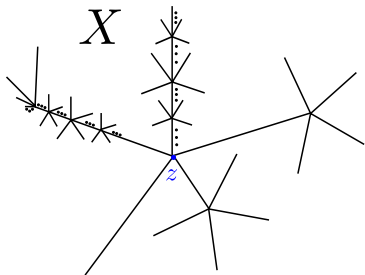


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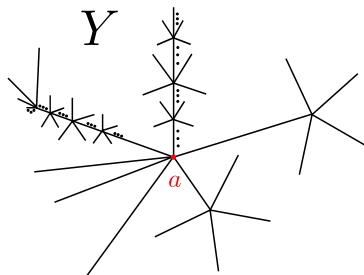
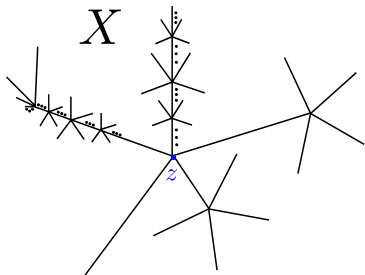
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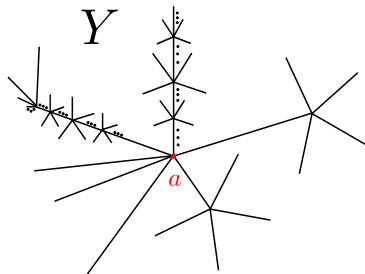
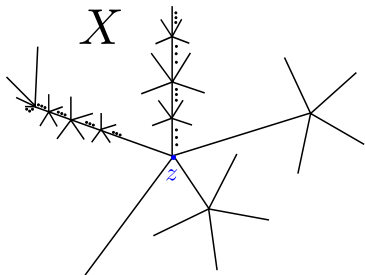


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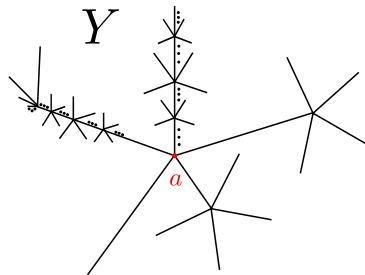
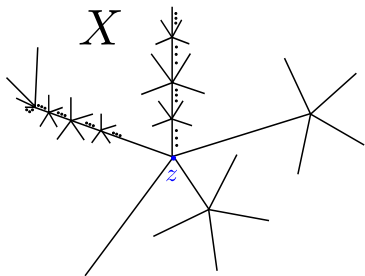
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$$\mathcal{F}_1(R_N(Y)) \subseteq h(\mathcal{F}_1(R_N(X)))$$

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*then  $X$  has unique second symmetric product.*

Thank you!