

# Cut-Simulation in Impredicative Logics

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- problem not limited to HOL

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Simple Types  $\mathcal{T}$ :

- $\text{0}$  (truth values)
- $\iota$  (individuals)
- $(\alpha \rightarrow \beta)$  (functions from  $\alpha$  to  $\beta$ )

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Equality of terms:

$\alpha$ -conversion	Changing bound variables	
$\beta$ -reduction	$((\lambda Y_\beta \mathbf{A}_\alpha) \mathbf{B})$	$\xrightarrow{\beta} [\mathbf{B}/Y] \mathbf{A}$
$\eta$ -reduction	$(\lambda Y_\alpha (\mathbf{F}_{\alpha \rightarrow \beta} Y))$	$\xrightarrow{\eta} \mathbf{F} \quad (Y_\beta \notin \mathbf{Free}(\mathbf{F}))$

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- $\top_o$  – true
- $\perp_o$  – false
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- $\vee_{o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o}$  – disjunction
- $\wedge_{o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o}$  – conjunction
- $\supset_{o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o}$  – implication
- $\Leftrightarrow_{o \rightarrow o \rightarrow o}$  – equivalence
- $\prod_{(\alpha \rightarrow o) \rightarrow o}^\alpha$  – universal quantification over type  $\alpha$  ( $\forall$  types  $\alpha$ )
- $\sum_{(\alpha \rightarrow o) \rightarrow o}^\alpha$  – existential quantification over type  $\alpha$  ( $\forall$  types  $\alpha$ )
- $=_{\alpha \rightarrow \alpha \rightarrow o}^\alpha$  – equality at type  $\alpha$  ( $\forall$  types  $\alpha$ )

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Use abbreviations for other logical operators

$\mathbf{A} \vee \mathbf{B}$  means  $(\vee \mathbf{A} \mathbf{B})$

$\mathbf{A} \wedge \mathbf{B}$  means  $\neg(\neg \mathbf{A} \vee \neg \mathbf{B})$

$\mathbf{A} \supset \mathbf{B}$  means  $\neg \mathbf{A} \vee \mathbf{B}$

$\mathbf{A} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{B}$  means  $(\mathbf{A} \supset \mathbf{B}) \wedge (\mathbf{B} \supset \mathbf{A})$

$\forall X_\alpha \mathbf{A}$  means  $\prod^\alpha (\lambda X_\alpha \mathbf{A})$

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Use Leibniz-equality to encode equality

$$A_\alpha \doteq^\alpha B_\alpha$$

means

$$\forall P_{\alpha \rightarrow o} (P A \supset P B)$$

resp.

$$\prod^\alpha (\lambda P_{\alpha \rightarrow o} \neg P A \vee P B)$$



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  - ▶ we need appropriate notions of semantics for HOL
  - ▶ standard semantics not appropriate

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$\mathfrak{M}_\beta(\Sigma)$

elementary type theory (Andrews)

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 $\mathfrak{f}(= \eta + \xi)$ : functional extensionality

see [Journal of Symbolic Logic (2004) 69(4)]

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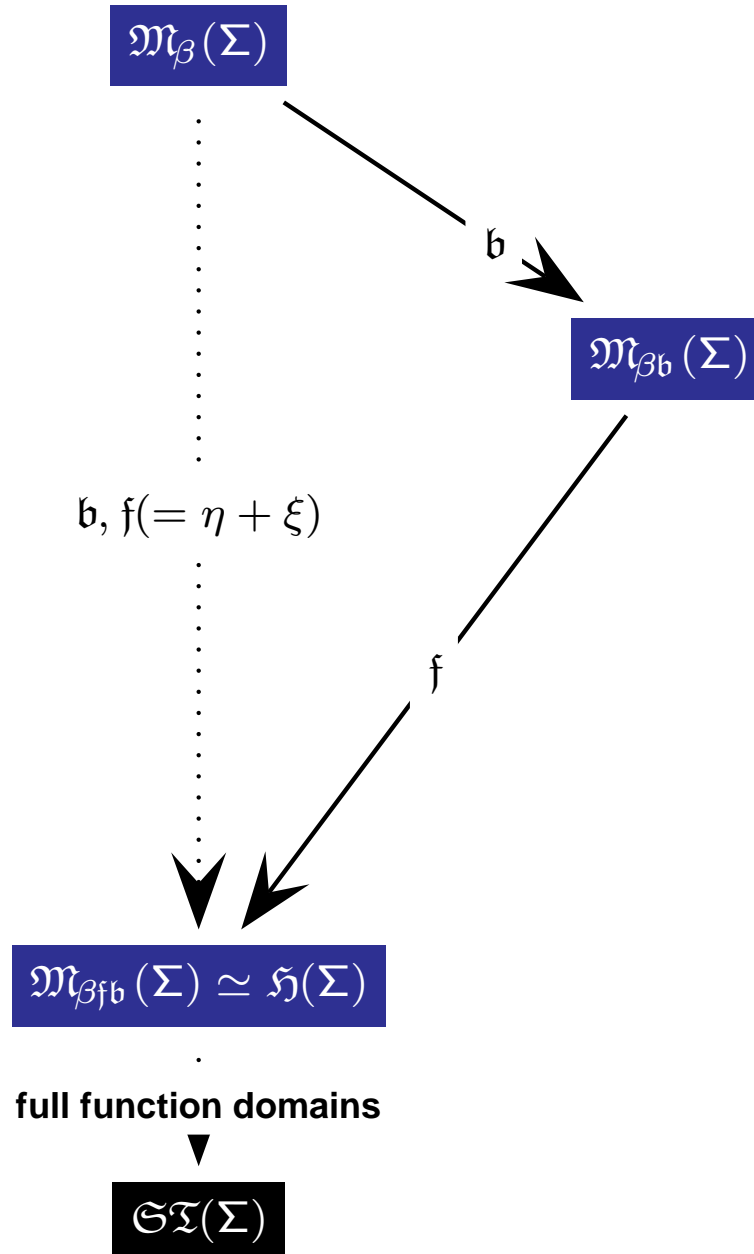
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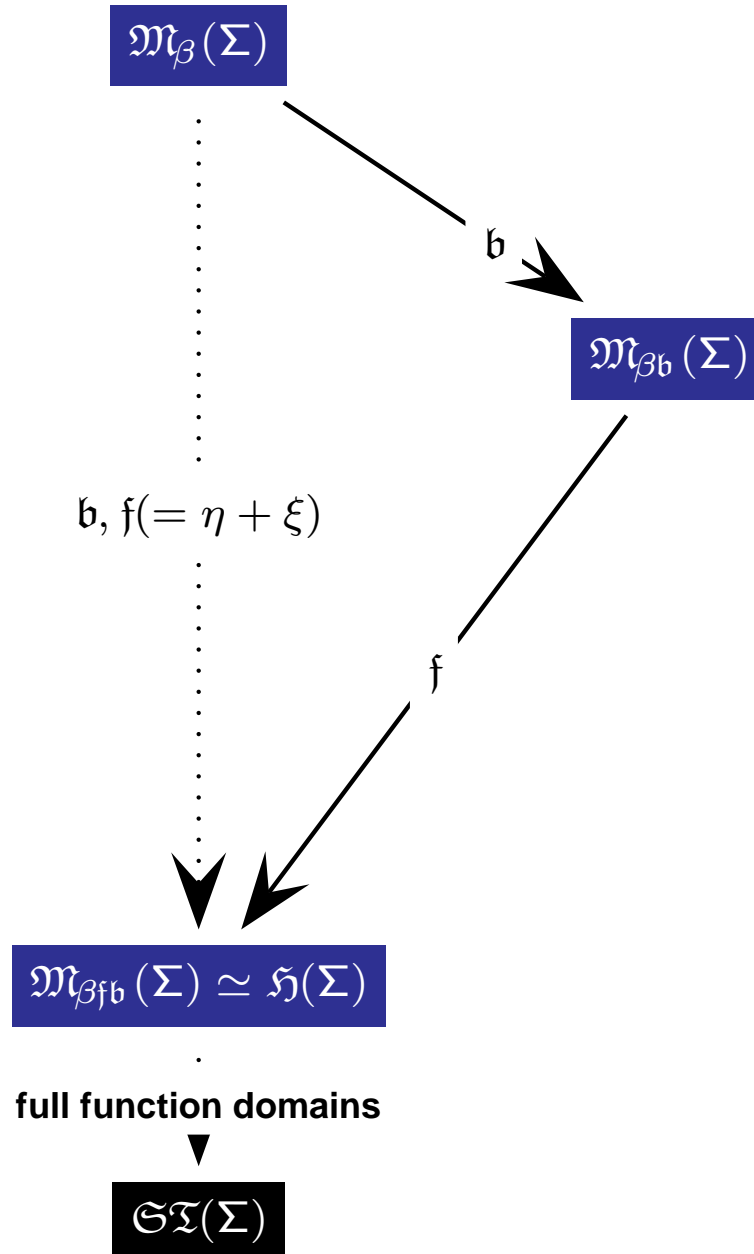
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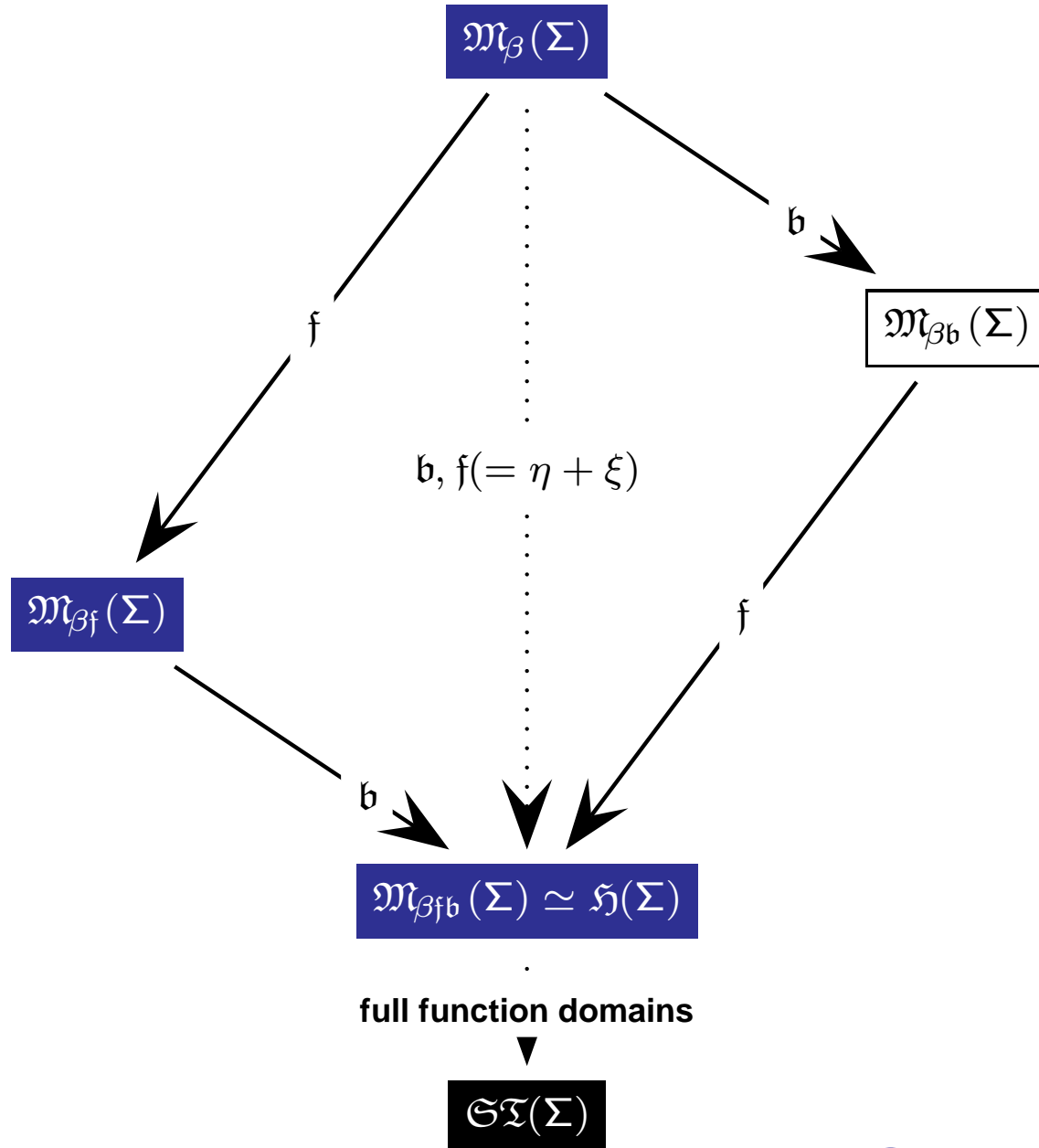
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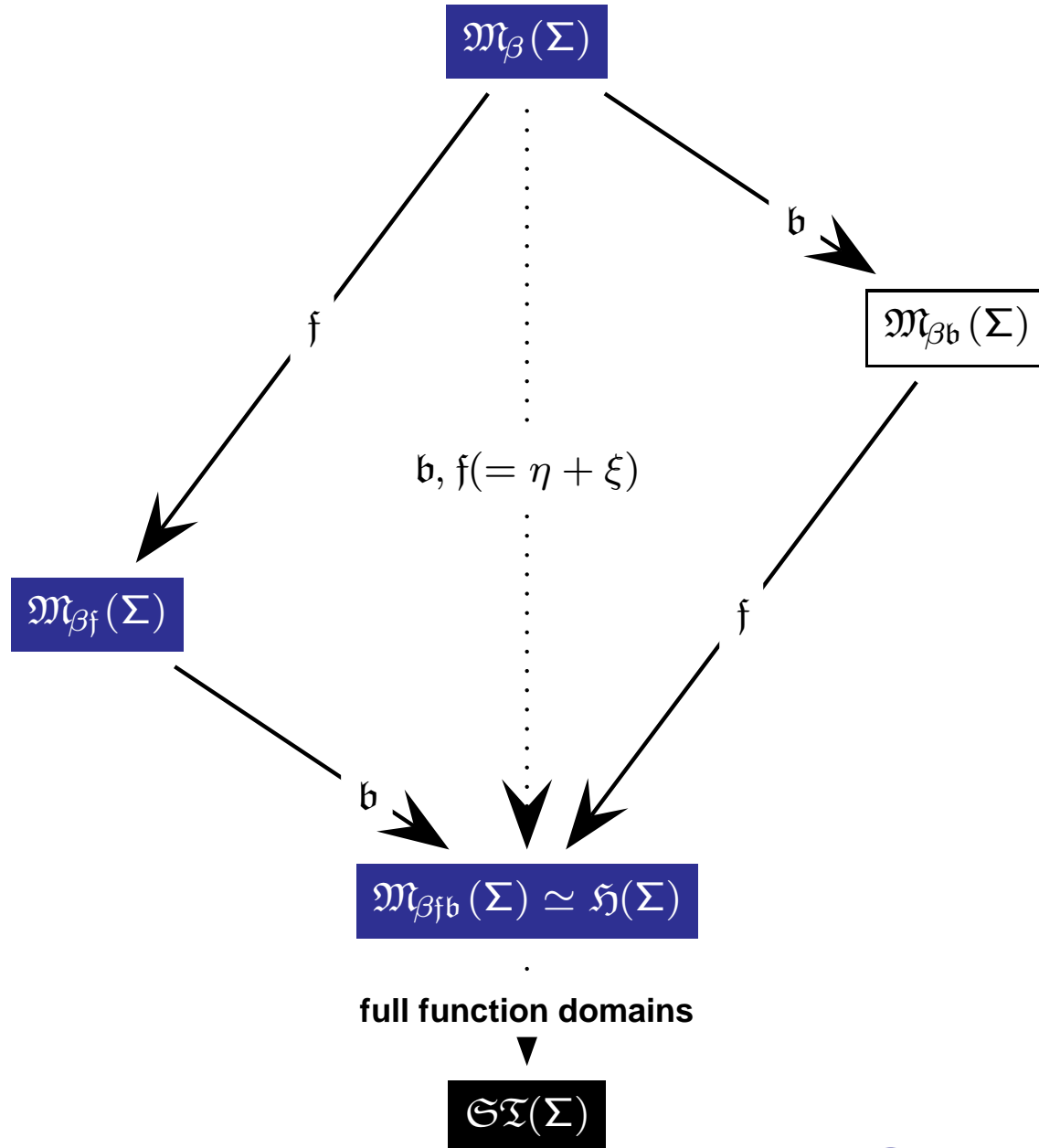
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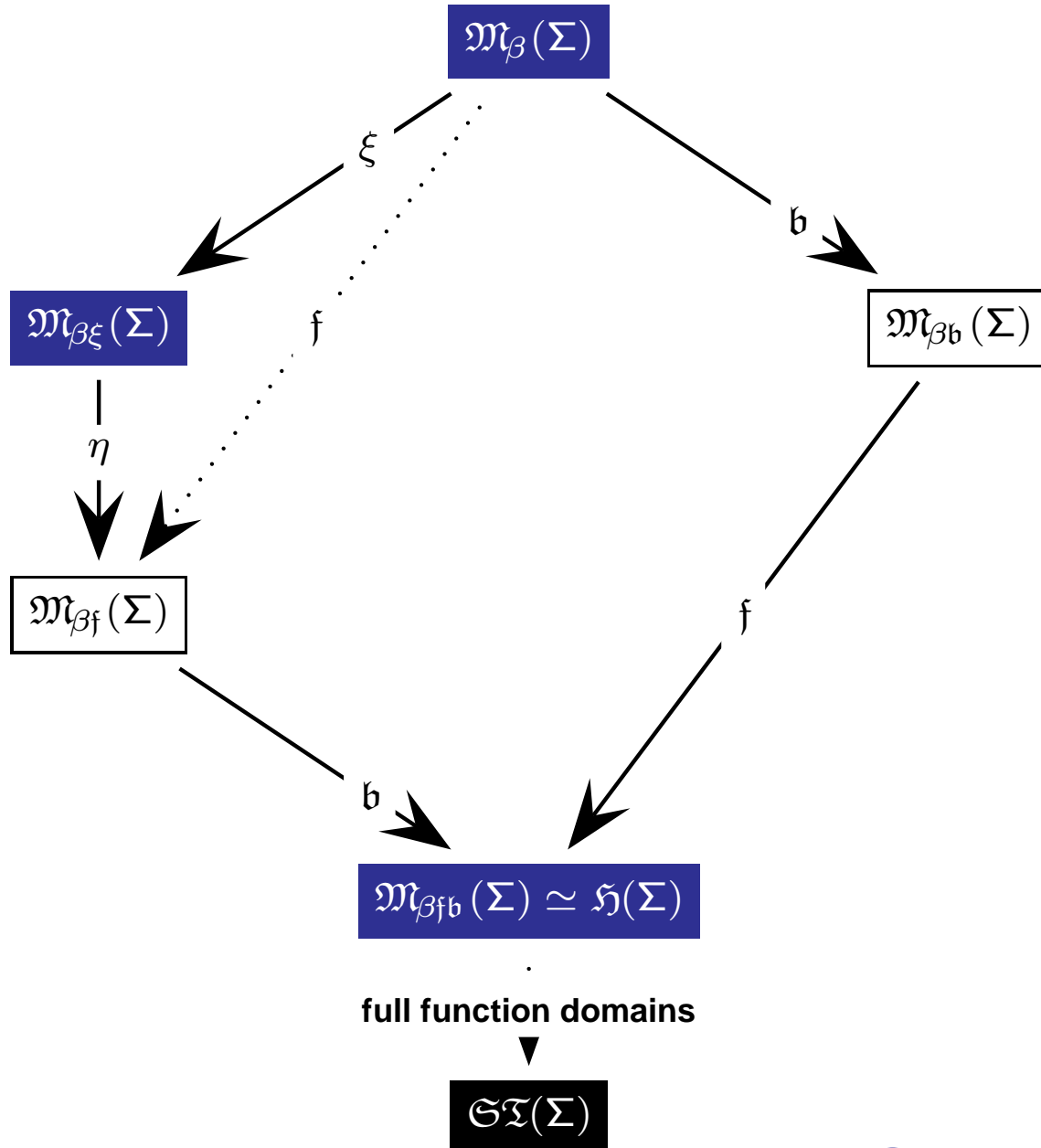
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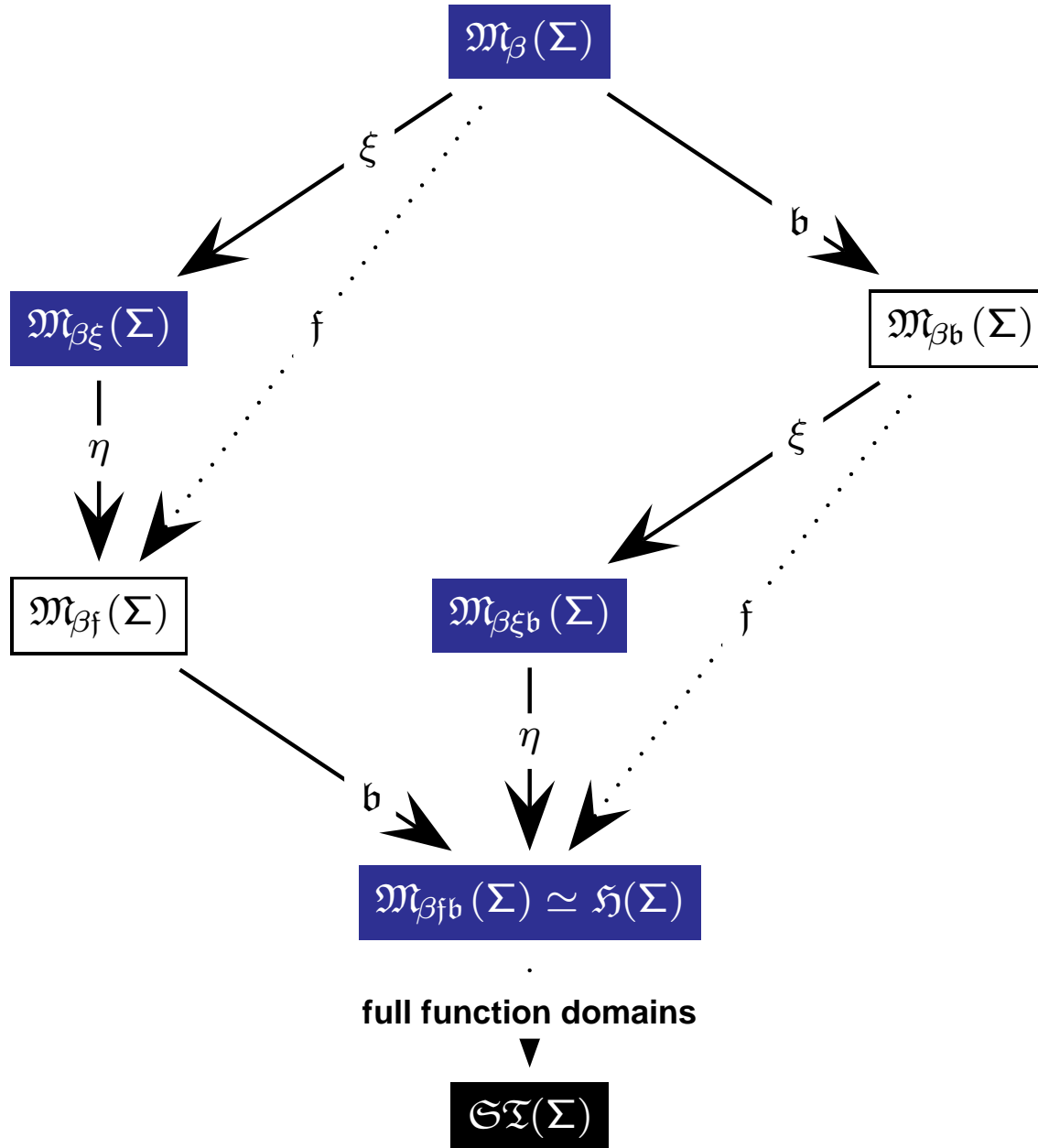
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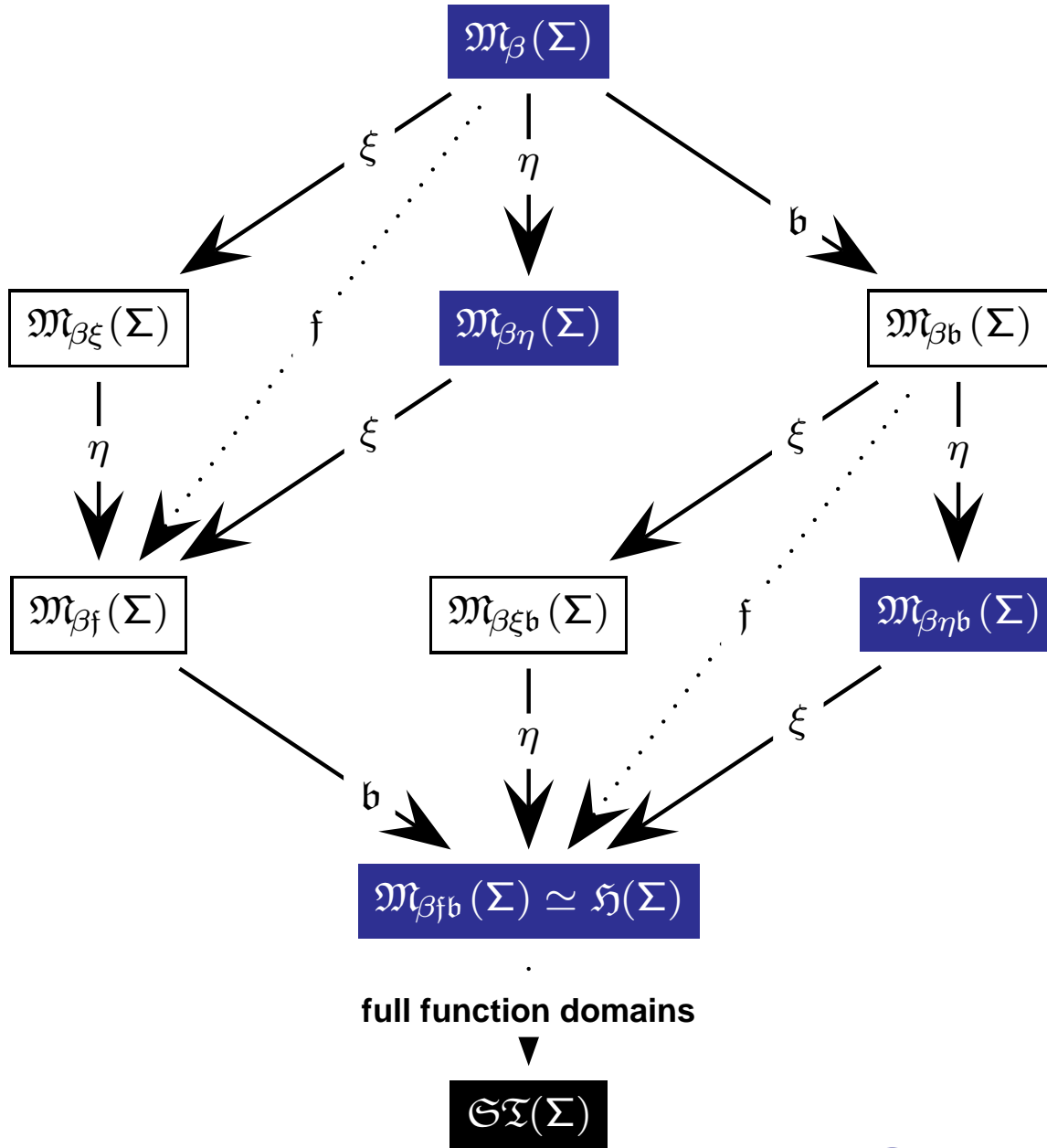
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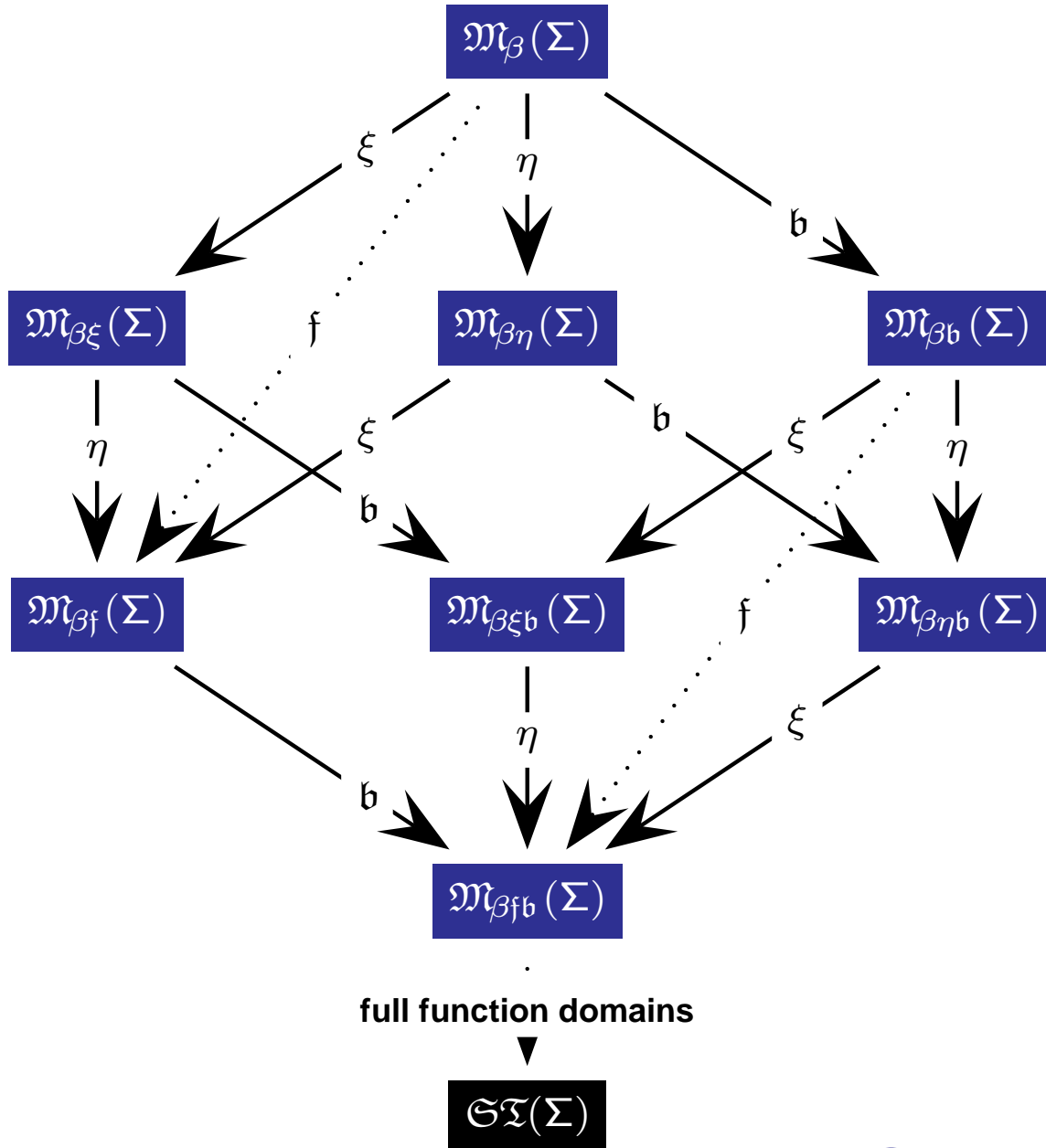
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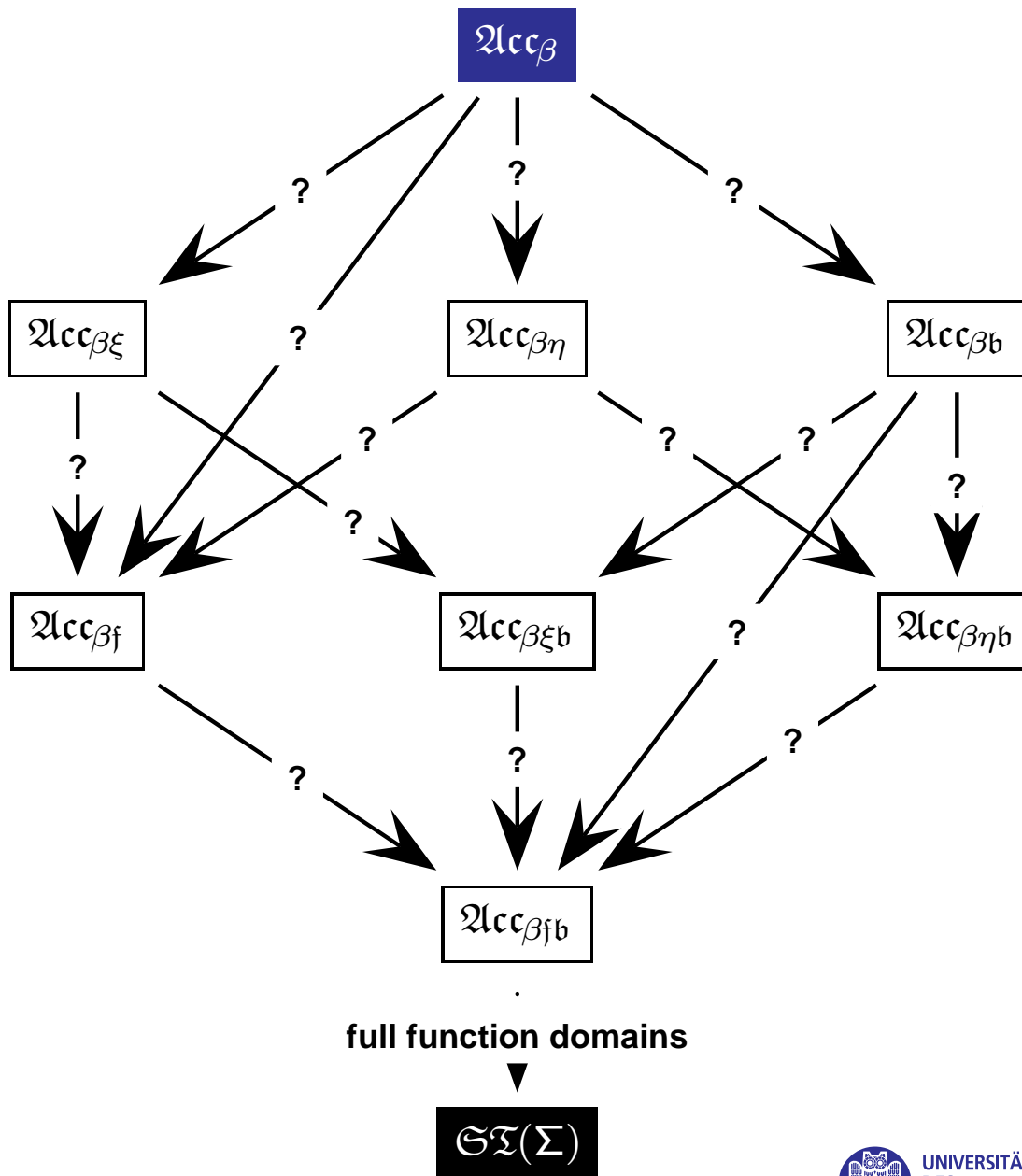
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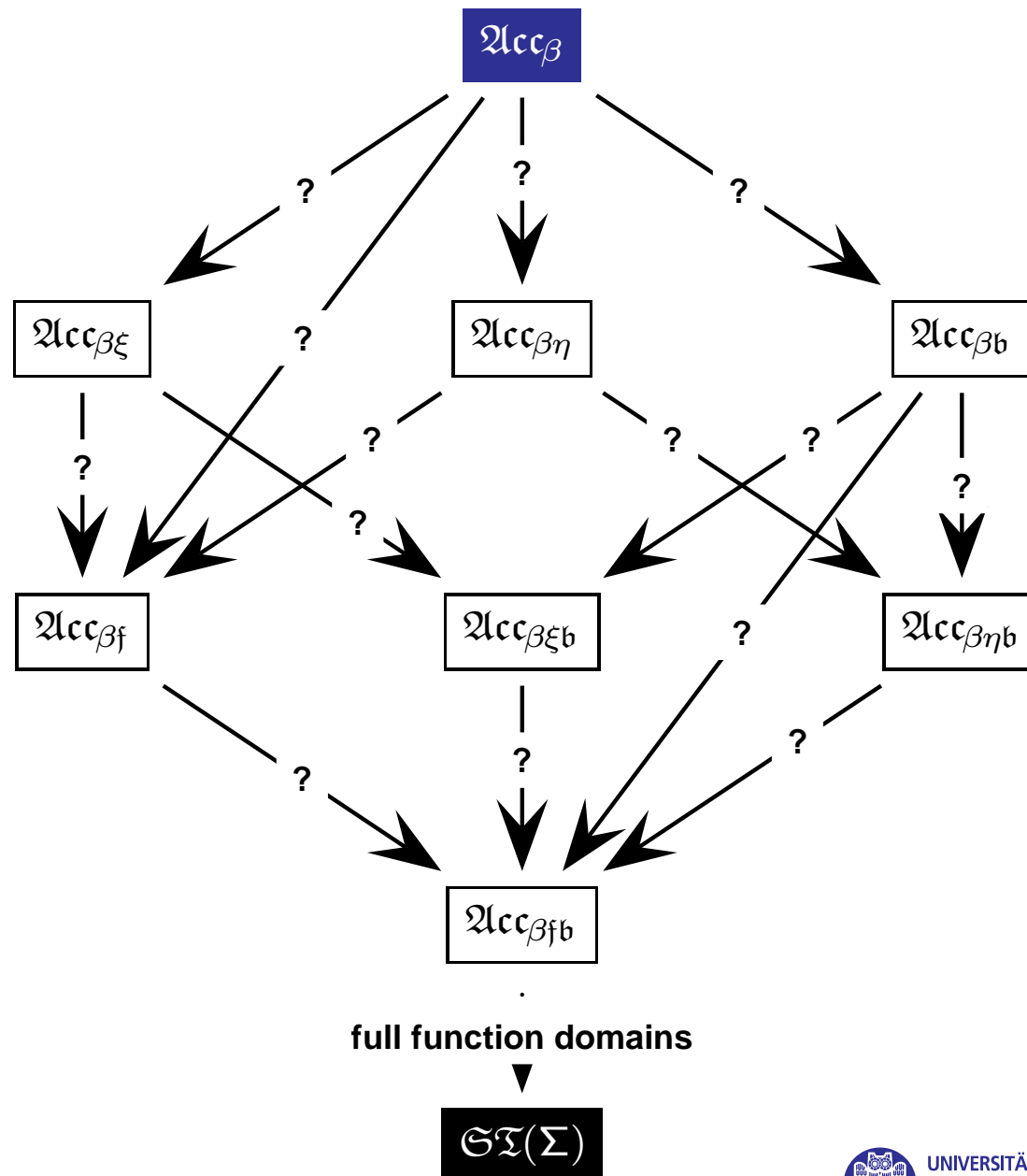
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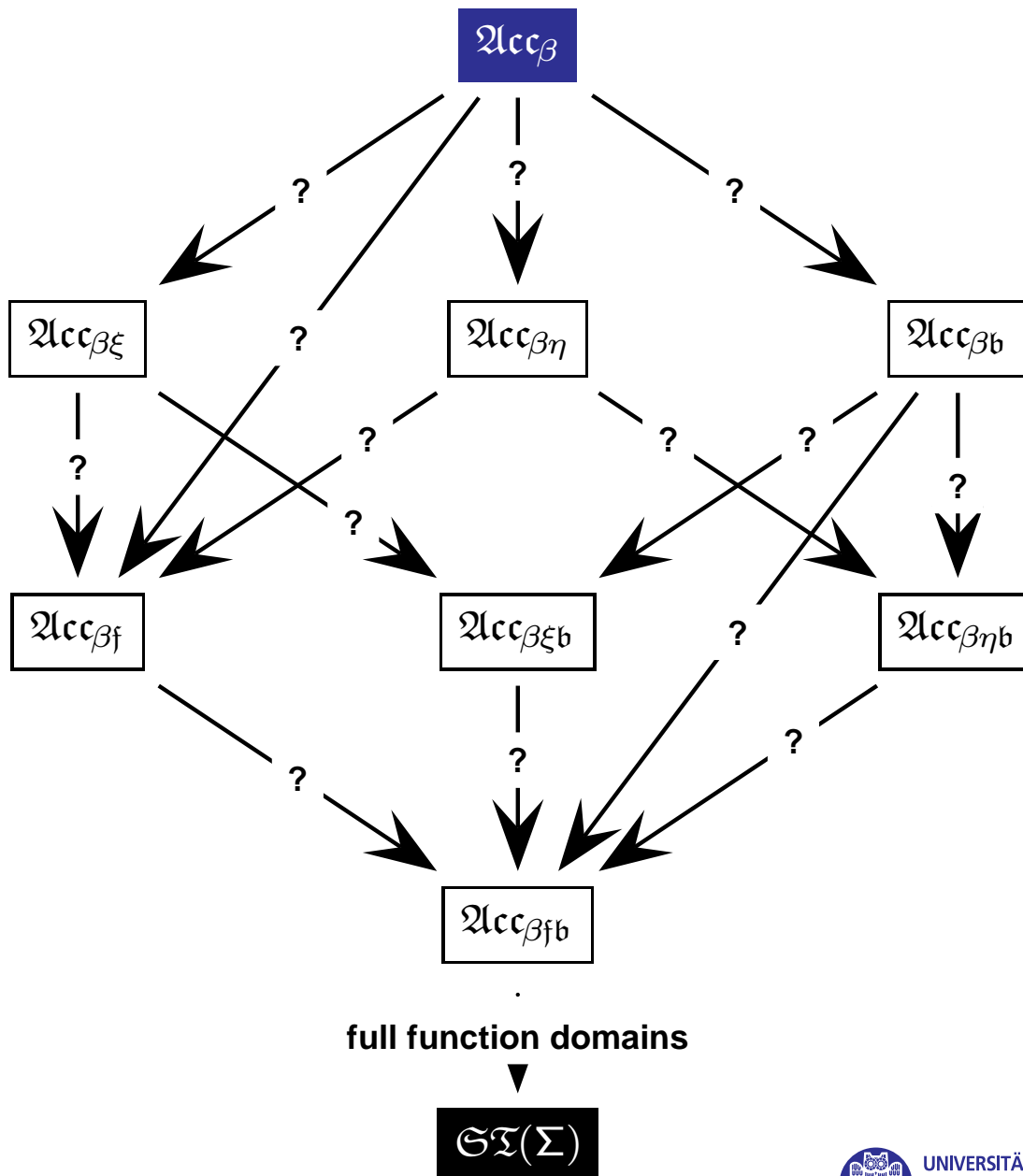
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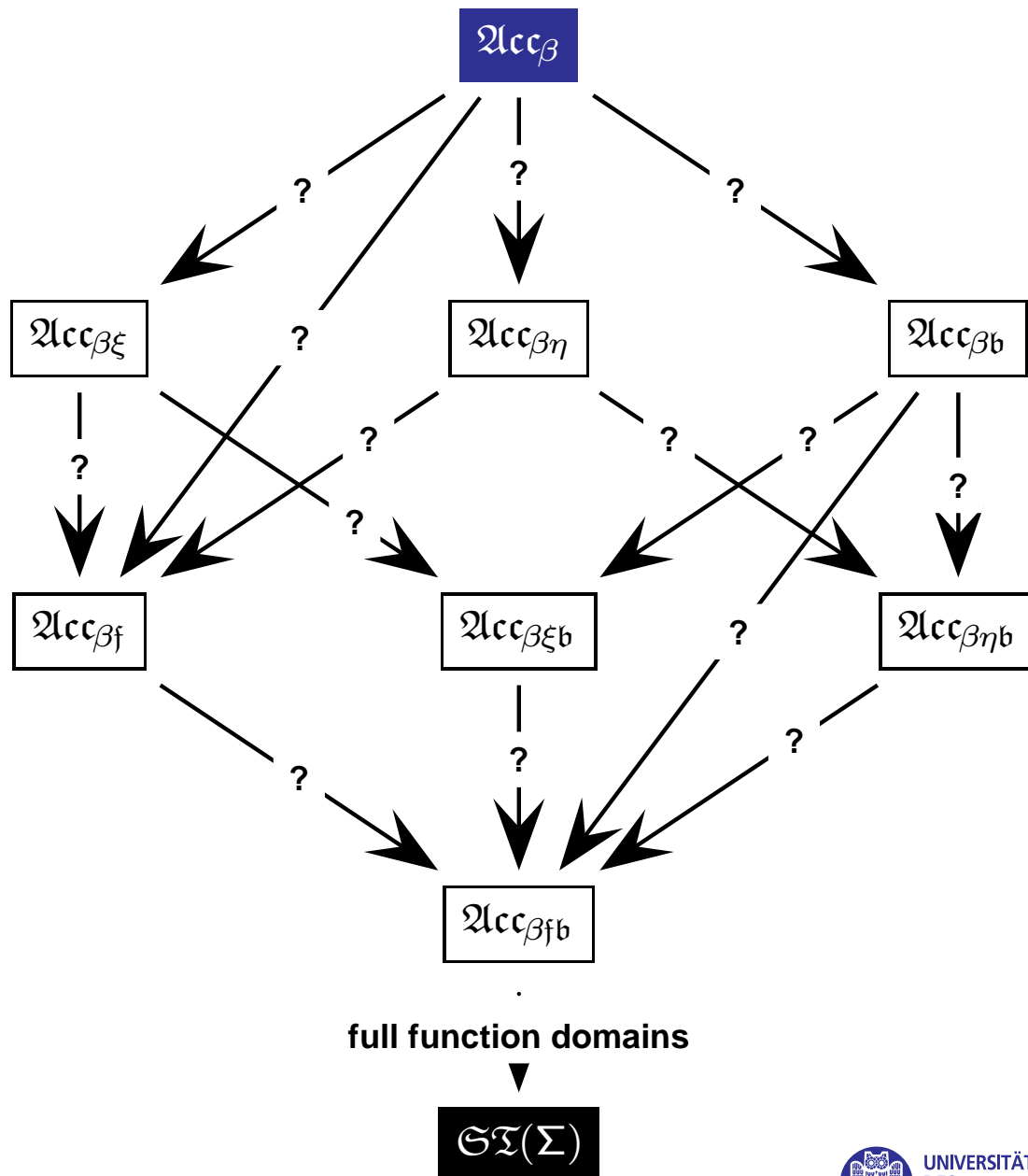
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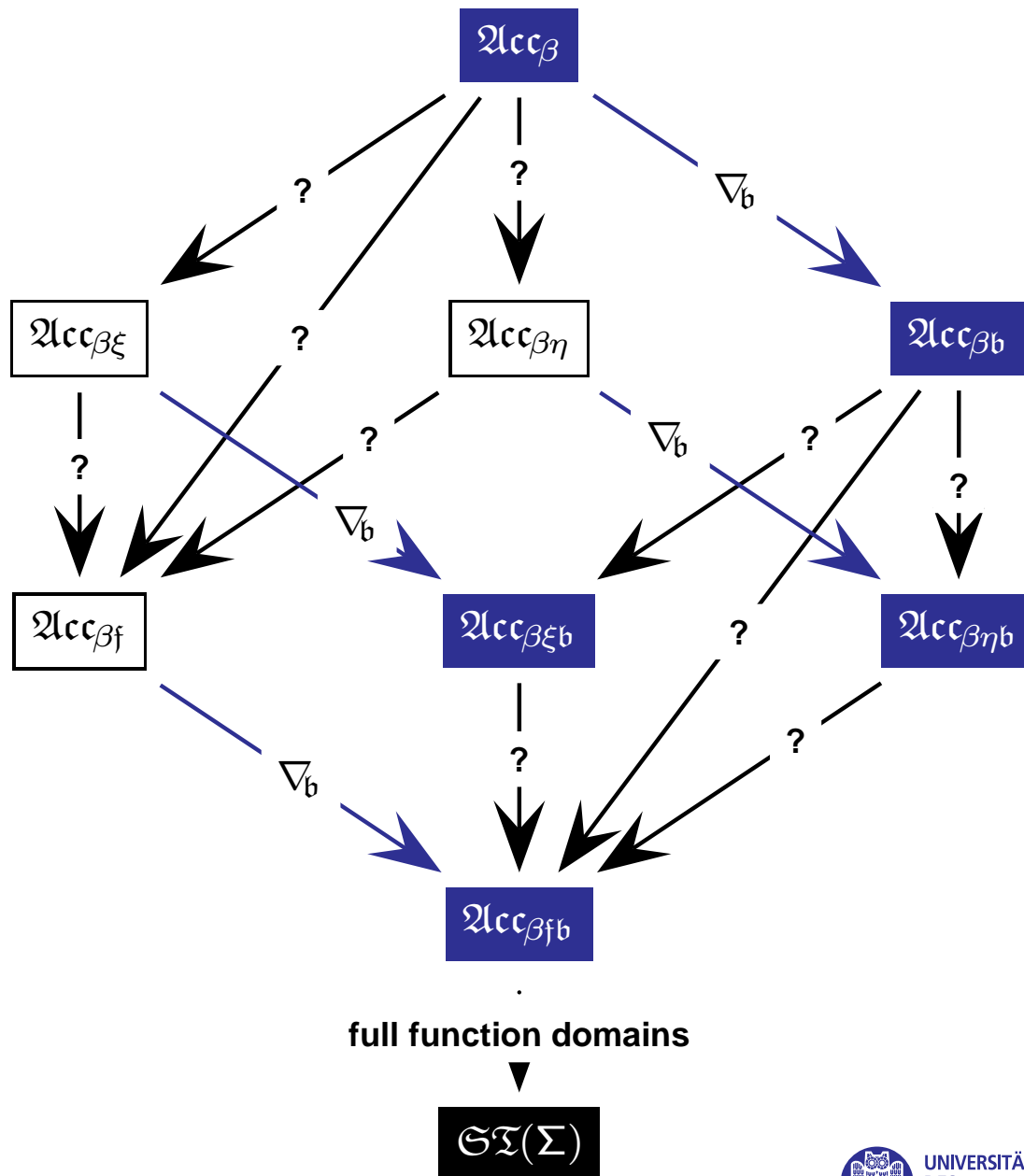
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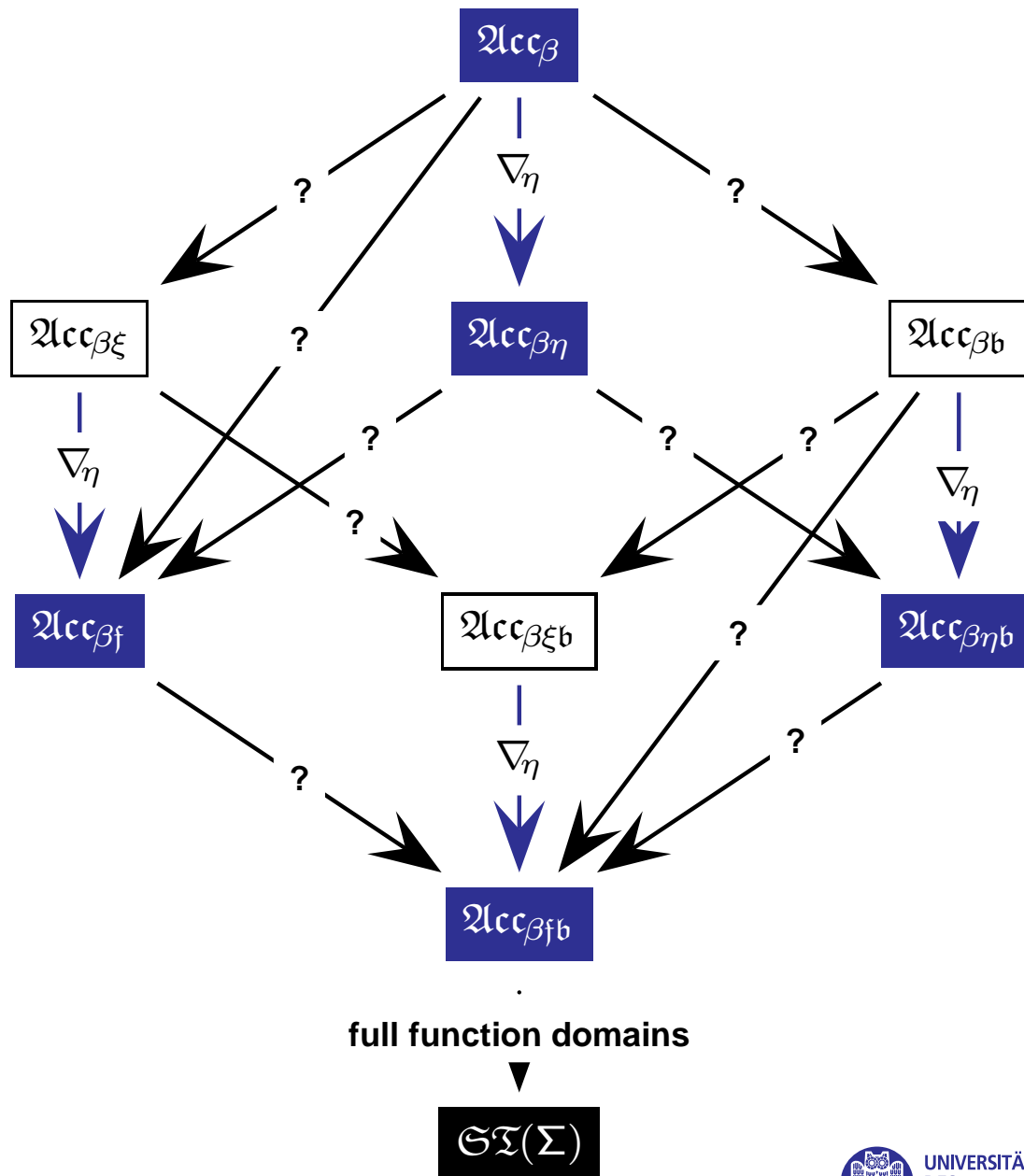
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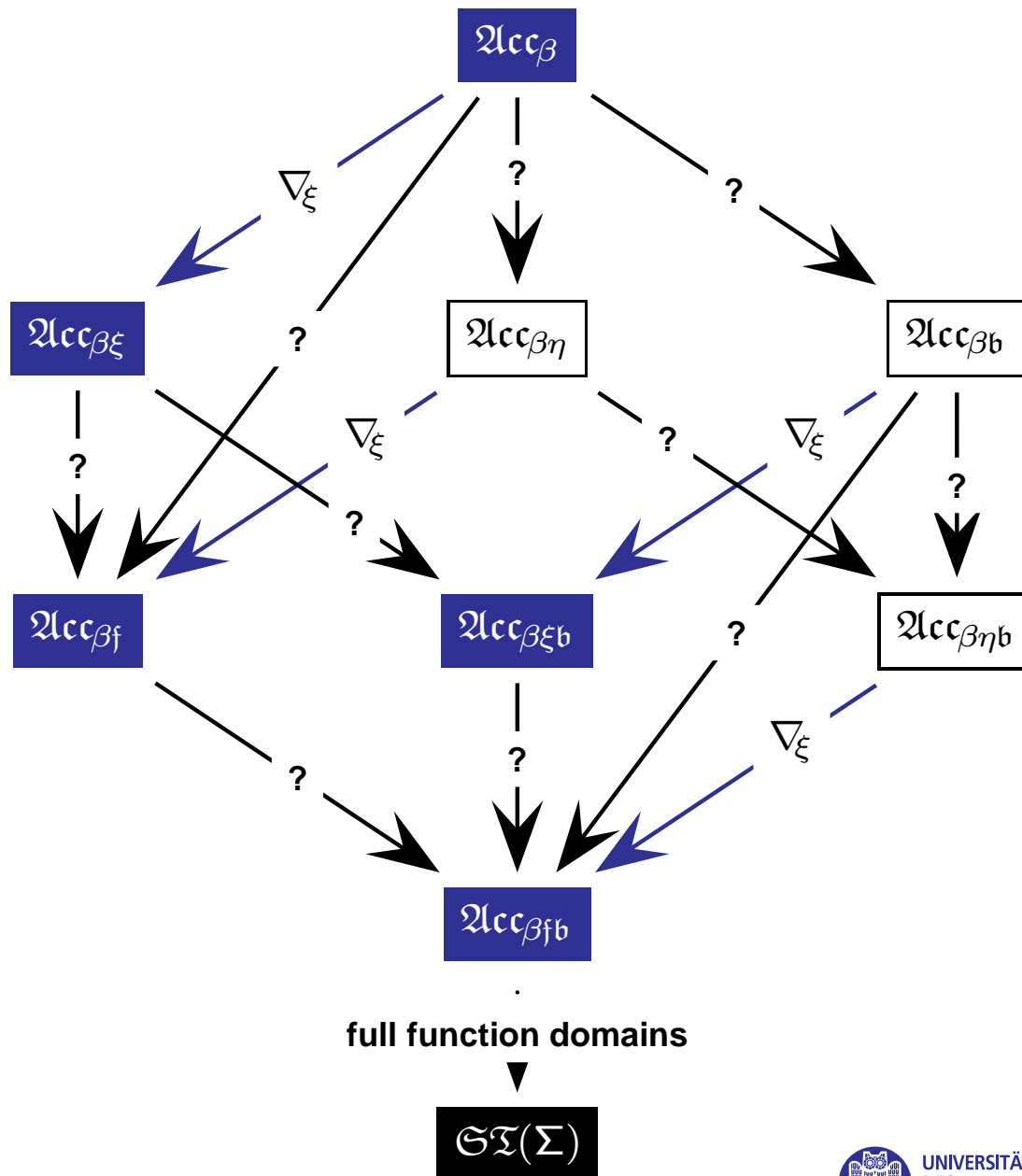
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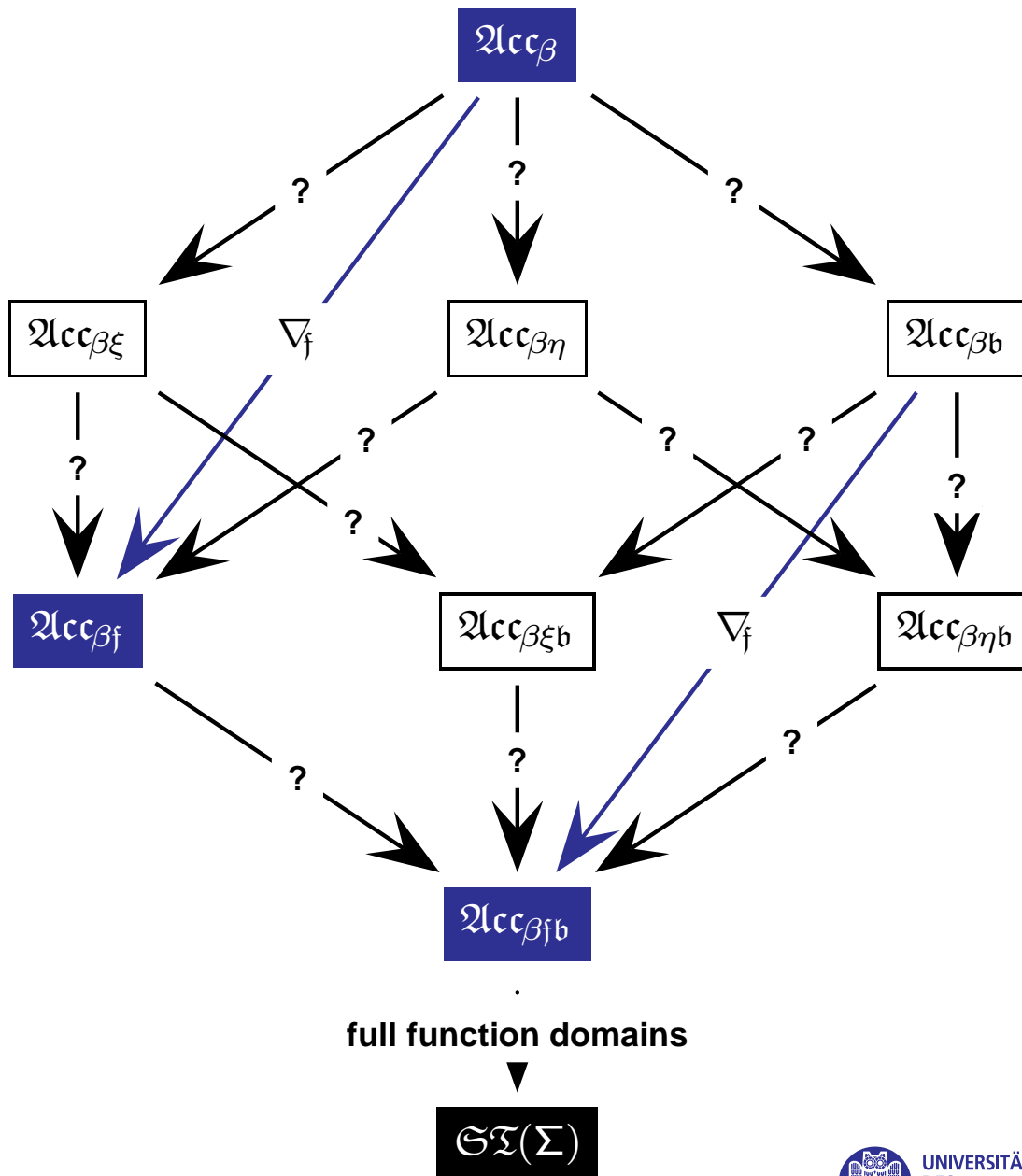
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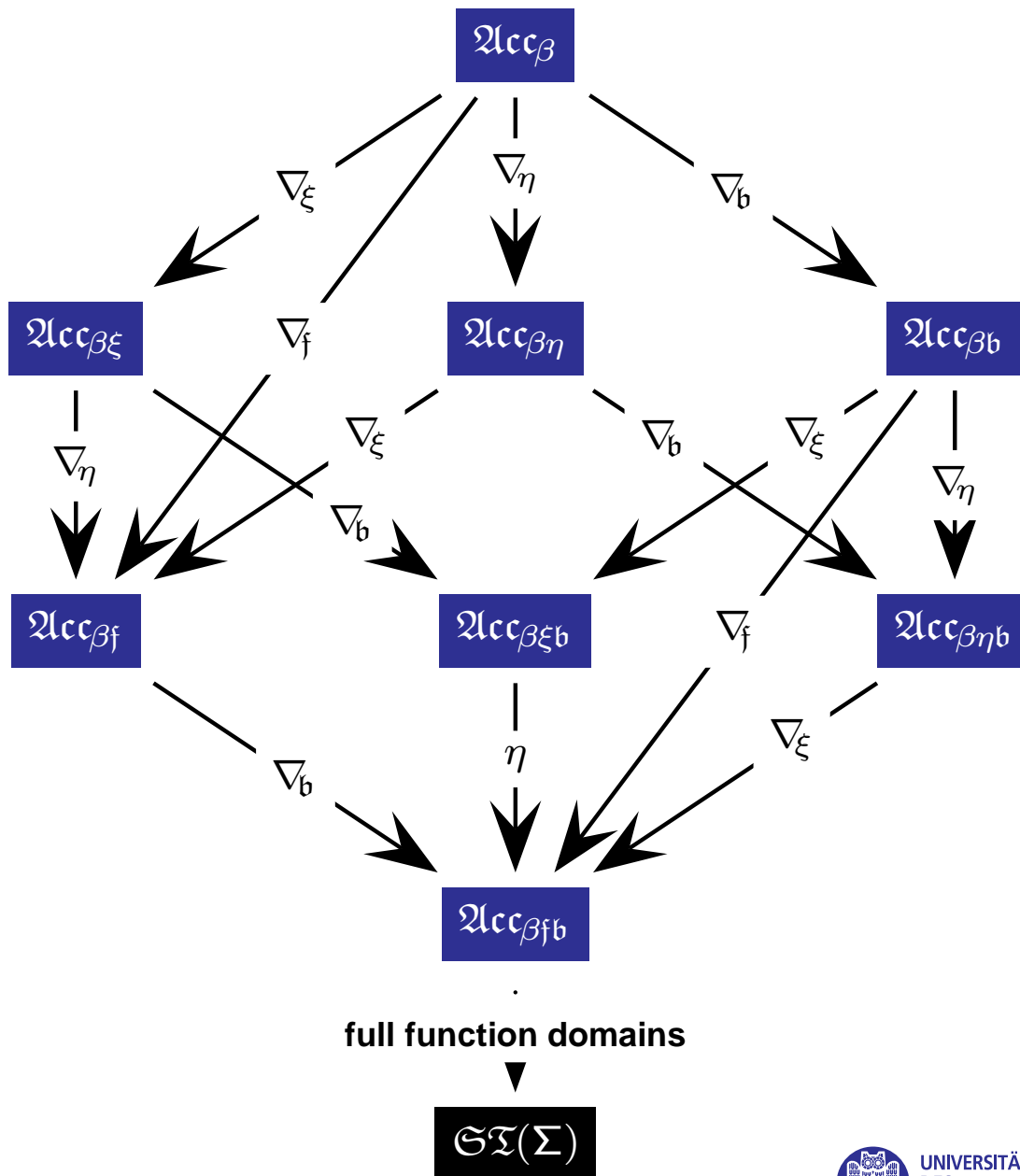
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Claim:  $\mathcal{G}_{\beta\text{fb}}$  does not support effective cut-simulation

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