

# A Non-Commutative Bayes Theorem

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Support B provides for A.

Posterior

Prior - initial belief in A.

Idea: We will encode this diagrammatically in categories that abstract the relevant probabilistic notions. This will include  $C^*$ -algebras.

# FinStoch

Objects: Finite Sets  $X$

Morphisms: Stochastic Maps  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$

- associates a probability measure  $f_x$  on  $Y$  to each  $x \in X$ .

$$- f_x(A) = \sum_{y \in A} f_{yx} \quad ; \quad f_{yx} = f_x(y)$$

Composition:  $(g \circ f)_{zx} := \sum_{y \in Y} g_{zy} f_{yx}$

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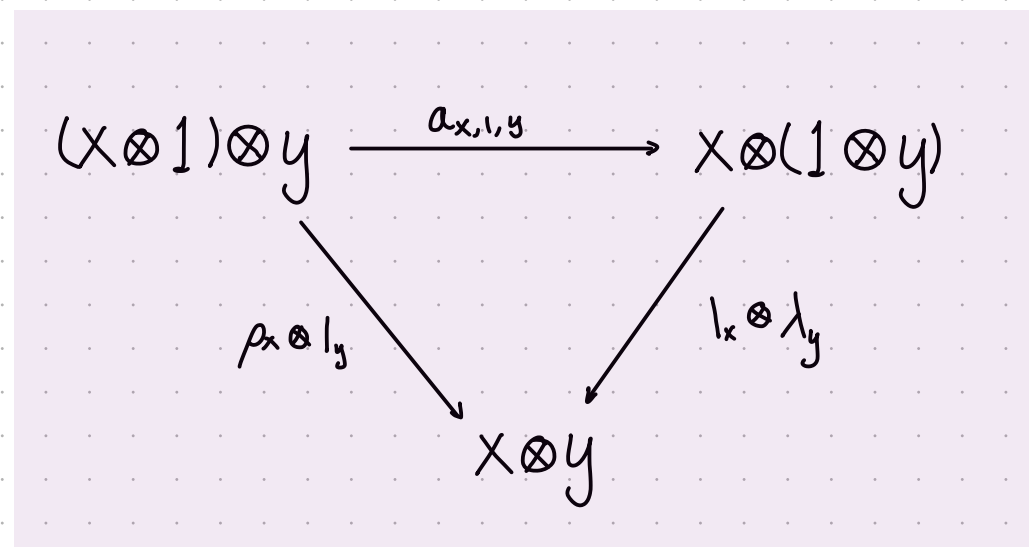
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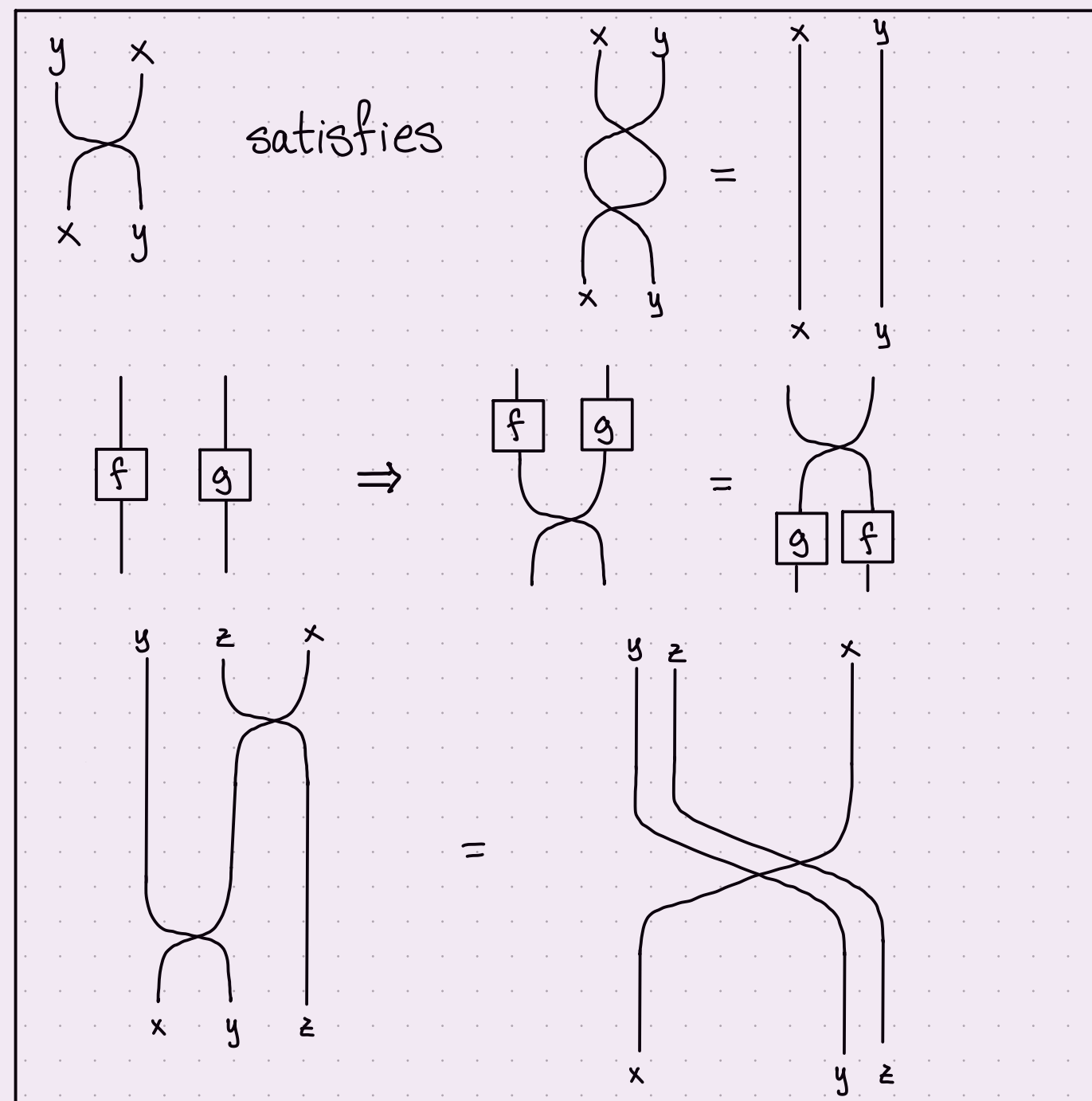
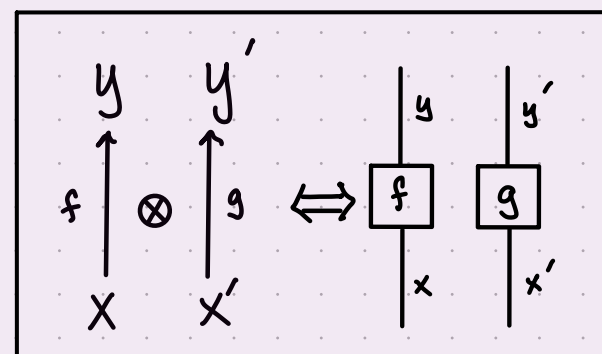
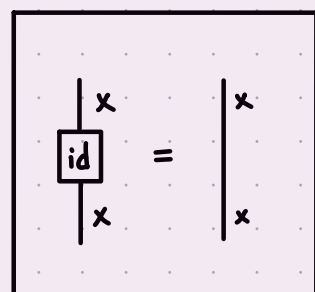
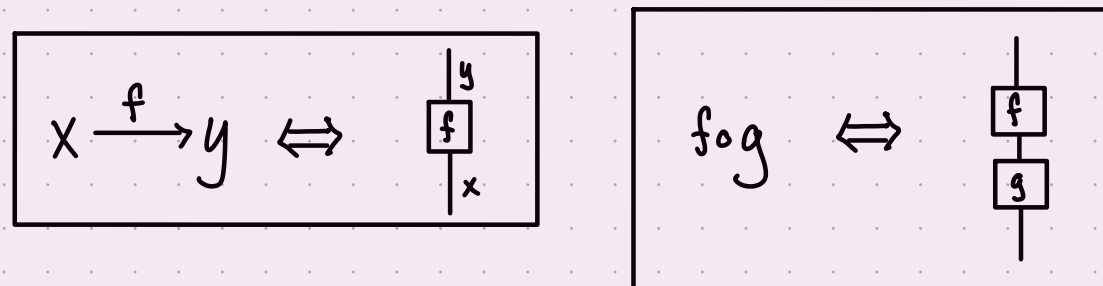
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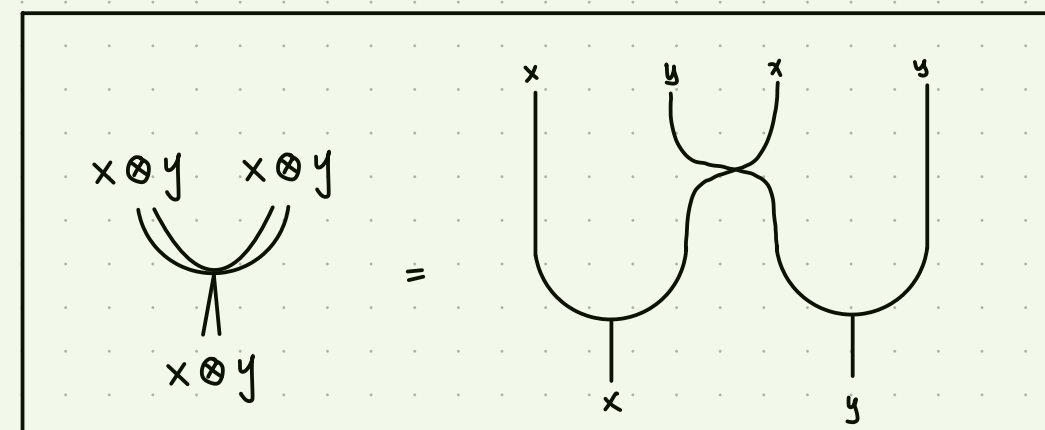
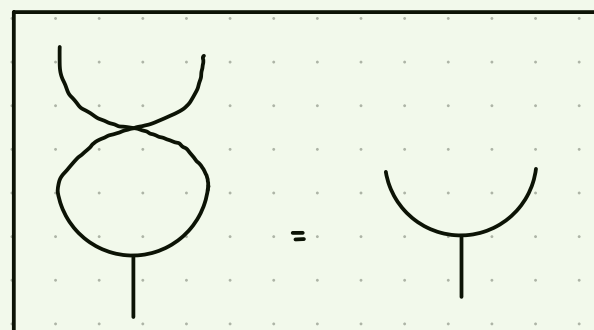
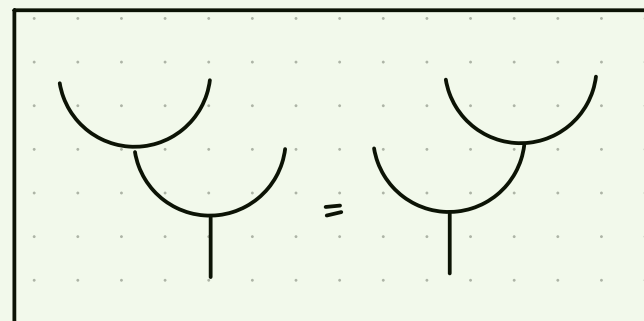
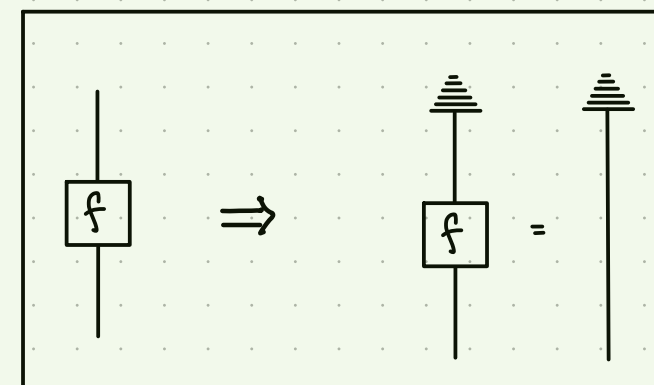
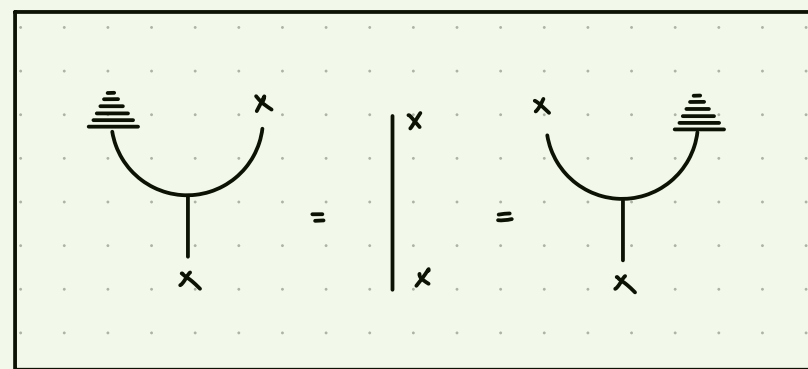
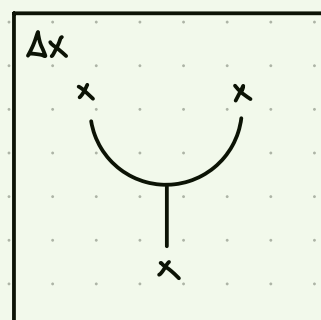
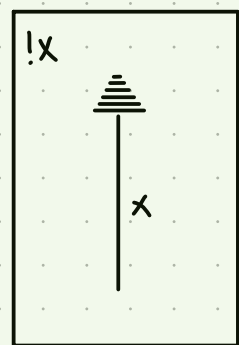
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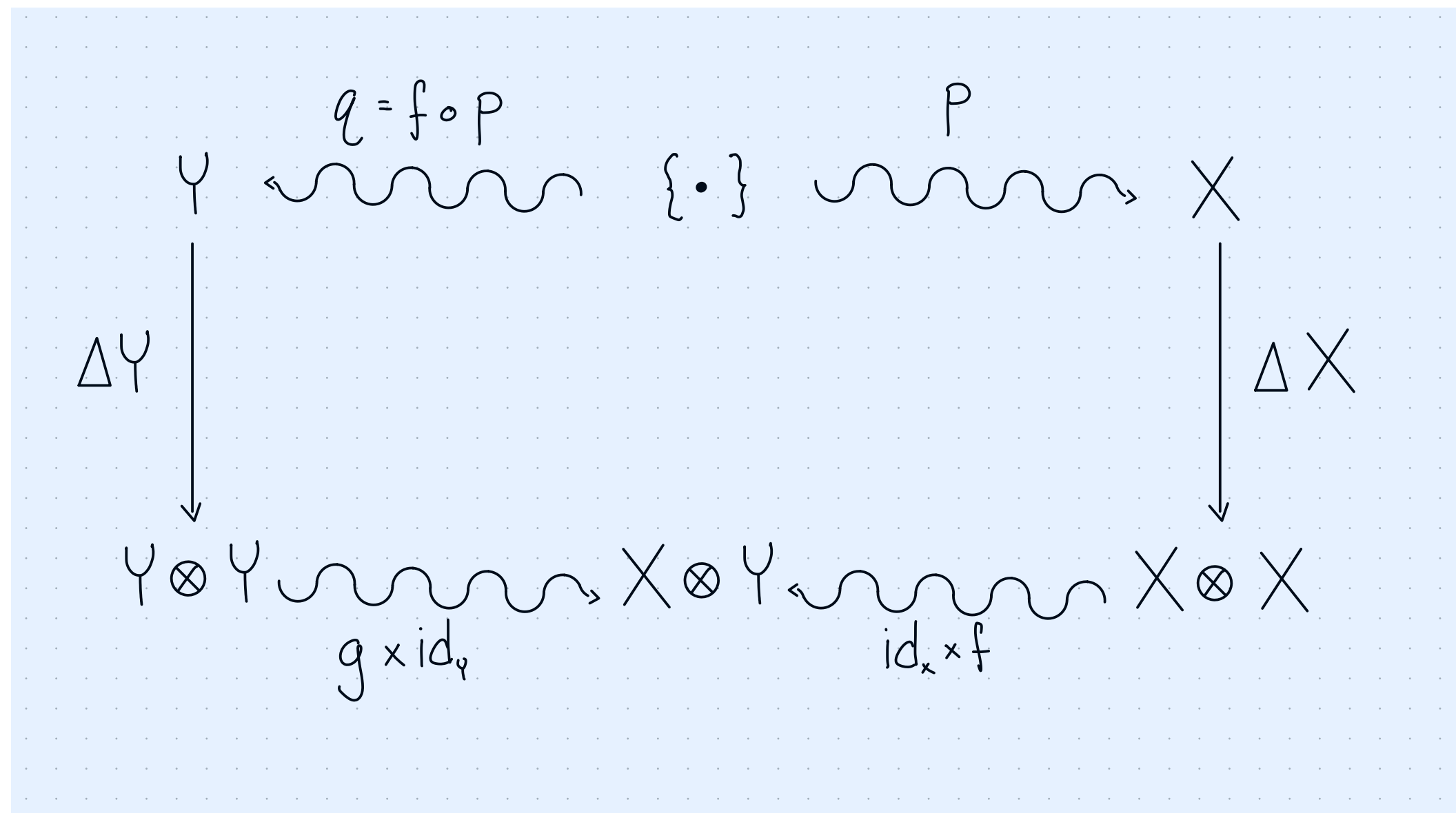


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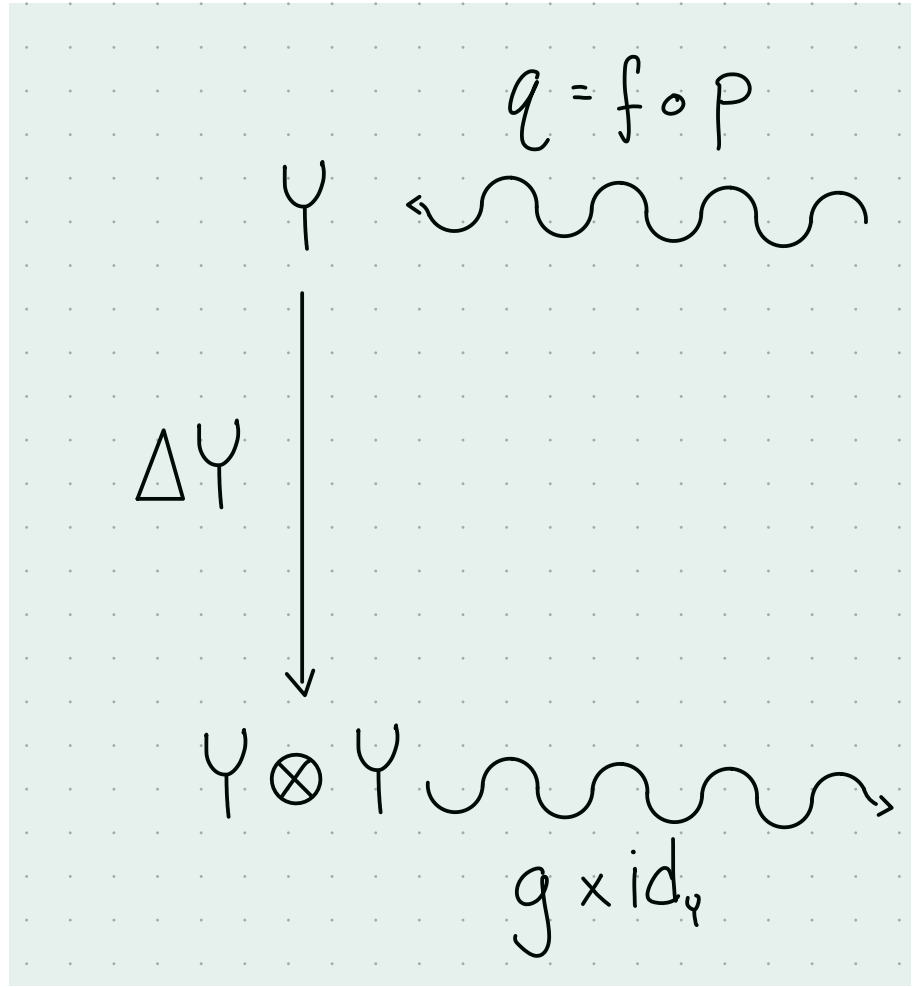


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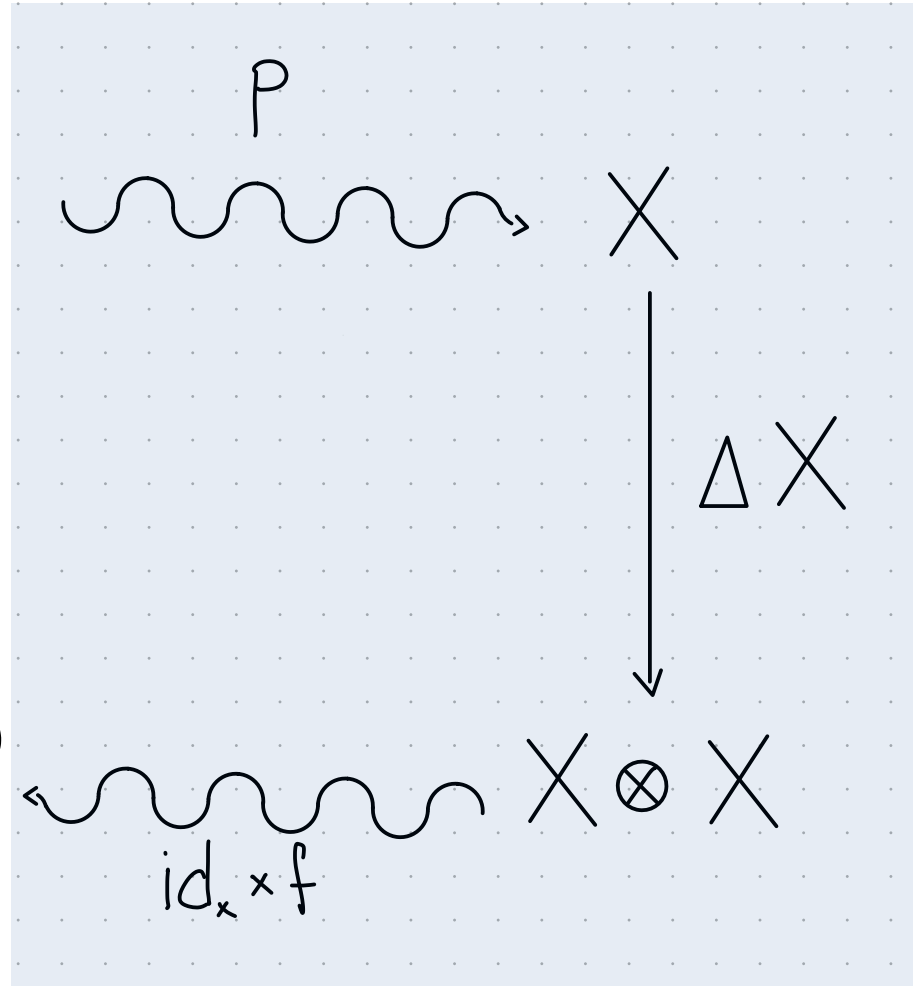
Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be finite sets. Given a probability measure  $p$  and a stochastic map  $f: X \rightsquigarrow Y$ , there exists a stochastic map  $g: Y \rightsquigarrow X$  such that the following diagram commutes.



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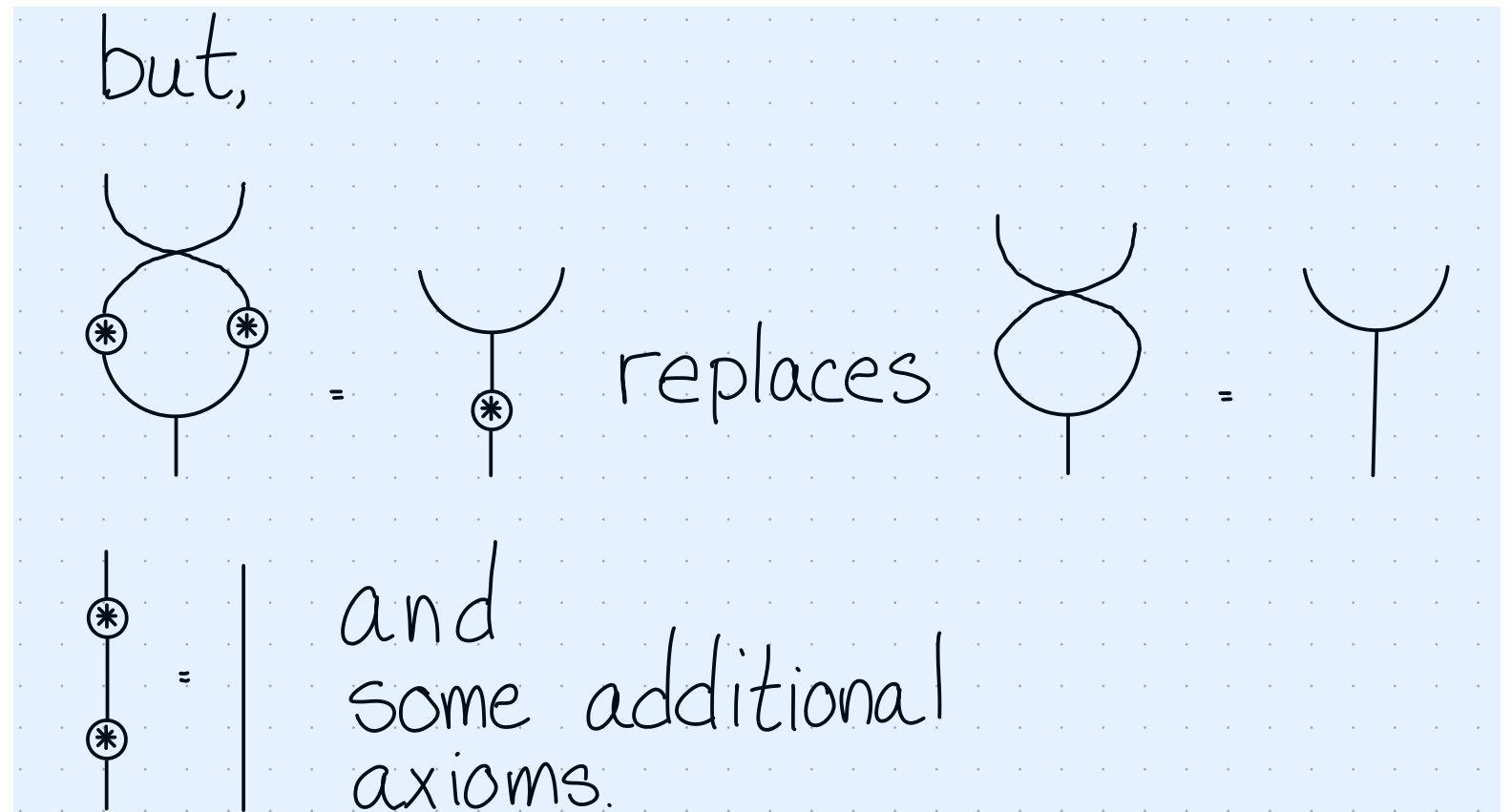
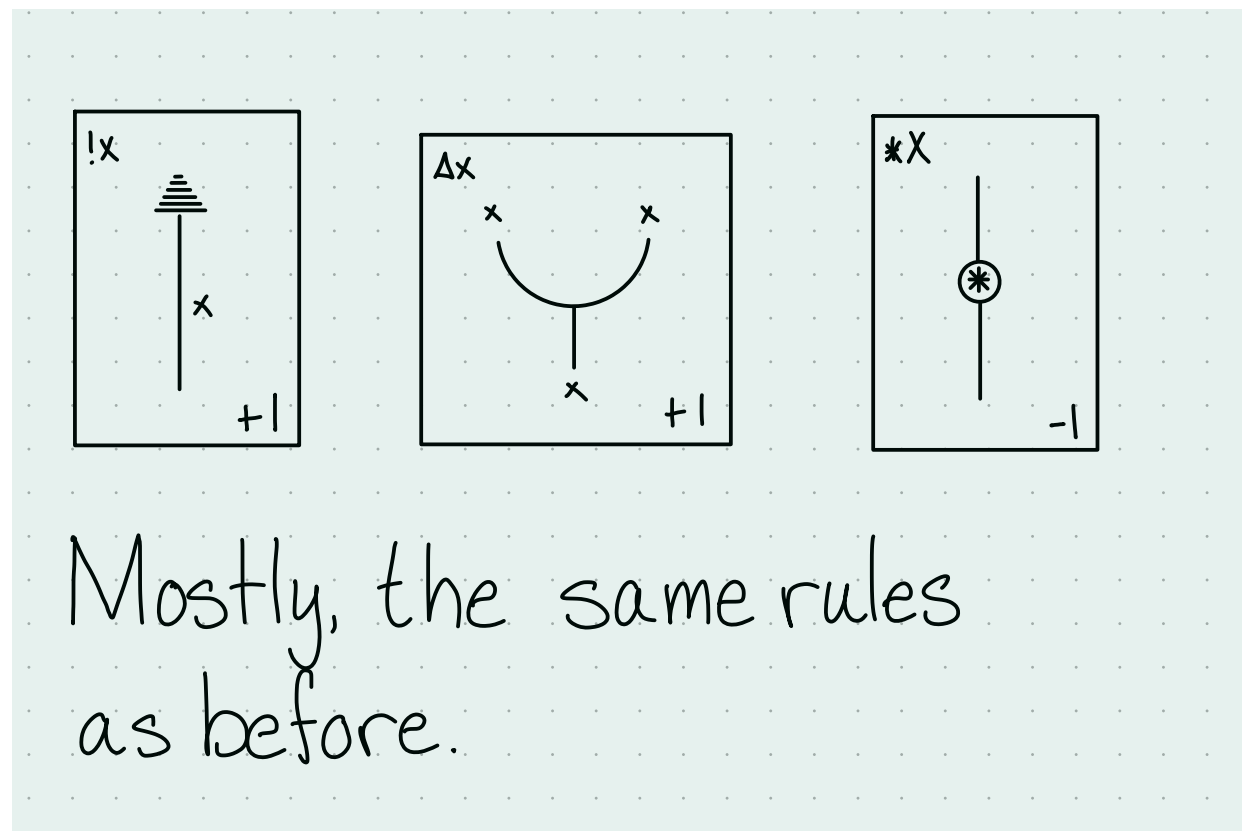
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# Quantum Markov Categories

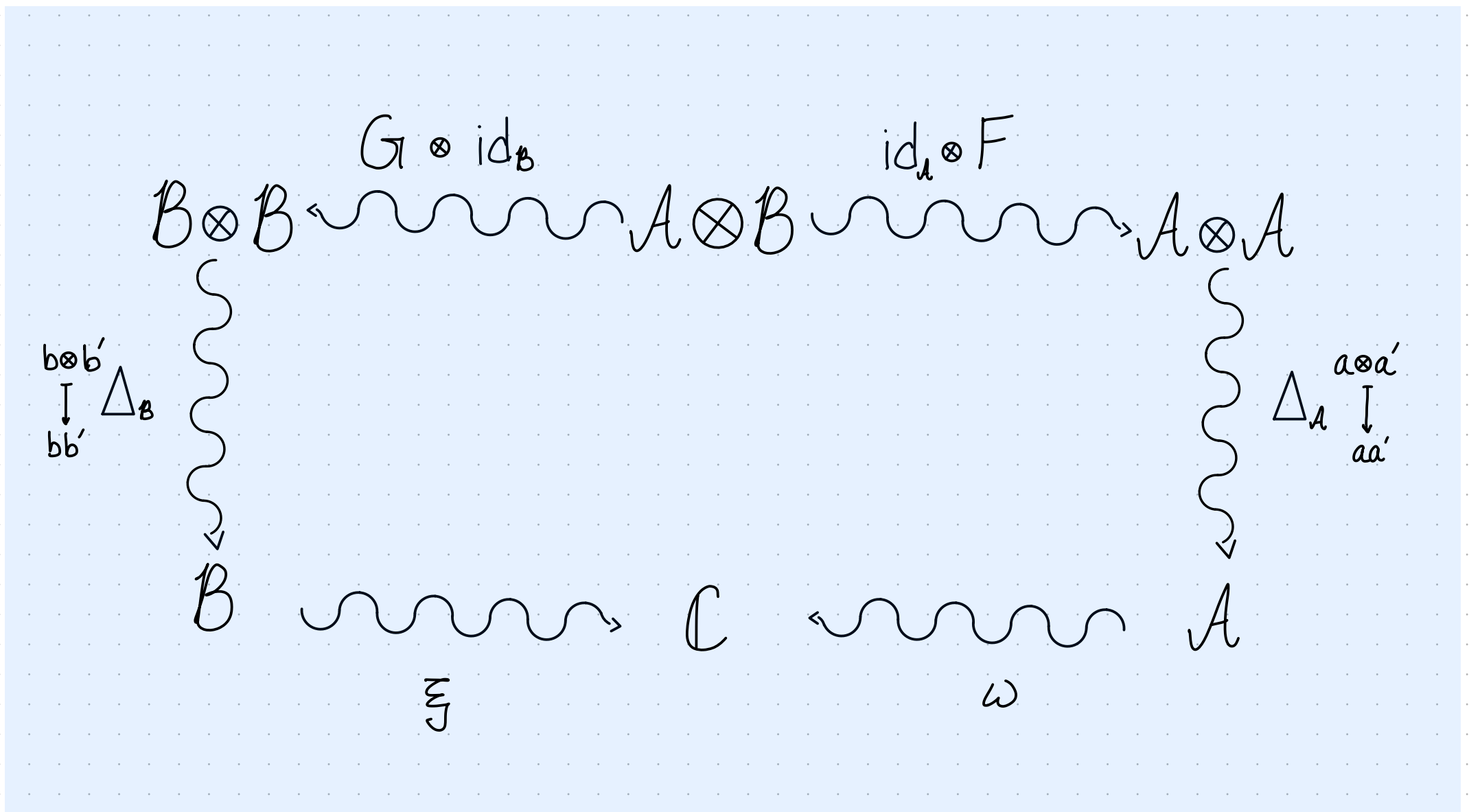
Morally, these are Markov categories with an involution. However, each morphism is labeled and only morphisms with the same label can be tensored.



Ex// Finite dimensional  $C^*$ -algebras with linear and conj. linear maps.  
 NonEx// Finite dimensional  $C^*$ -algebras with completely positive unital maps.

# Bayes Redux

Let  $B \xrightarrow{F} A$  be a completely positive unital map between finite dimensional  $C^*$ -algebras,  $A \xrightarrow{\omega} \mathbb{C}$  a state, and let  $\xi = \omega \circ F$ . A Bayesian inverse of  $(F, \omega)$  is a completely positive map  $A \xrightarrow{G} B$  such that



Any linear map satisfying the above will be called a Bayes map.

## (Parzygnat-R)

Proposition: Let  $F: M_n \rightsquigarrow M_m$  be a completely positive unital map,  $\omega = \text{tr}(\rho \_)$ ,  $\omega: M_m \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{C}$ , and set  $\xi = \omega \circ F = \text{tr}(\sigma \_)$ . Let  $P_\xi$  be the support of  $\xi$ . A Bayes map  $G: M_m \rightsquigarrow M_n$  must satisfy

$$P_\xi G(A) = \tilde{\sigma} F^*(\rho A).$$

- Here, we make no claims on positivity.
- However,  $P_\xi G(\cdot) P_\xi$  is completely positive iff  $P_\xi G(\cdot) P_\xi$  is  $*$ -preserving.

# Schur Complements

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^* & C \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 \quad \text{iff}$$

1)  $A \succeq 0$

2)  $\ker(A) \subseteq \ker(B^*)$

3)  $C - B^* \hat{A} B \succeq 0$

Furthermore, when  $M \succeq 0$ ,

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^* & C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^{1/2} & 0 \\ B^* A^{1/2} & C - B^* \hat{A} B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A^{1/2} & 0 \\ B^* A^{1/2} & C - B^* \hat{A} B \end{bmatrix}^*$$



## Choi-Matrix

Let  $\Phi: M_n \rightarrow M_m$  be a linear map and  $C_\Phi = \sum_{ij} E_{ij} \otimes \Phi(E_{ij})$  be called the Choi matrix for  $\Phi$ . The map  $\Phi$  is completely positive iff  $C_\Phi$  is a positive matrix.

- We can use this and the previous slide to build Bayes inverses.

(Parzygnat - R.)

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Set,

$$A := \sum_{i,j=1}^m E_{ij} \otimes \hat{\sigma} F^*(\rho E_{ij}) P_\xi \quad \text{and} \quad B = \sum_{i,j=1}^m E_{ij} \otimes \hat{\sigma} F^*(\rho E_{ij}) P_\xi^\perp$$

Then  $(F, \omega)$  has a Bayesian inverse iff

$$A = A^* \quad \text{and} \quad \text{tr}_{M_m}(B^* \hat{A} B) \leq P_\xi^\perp.$$

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