Products in the category of forests and p-morphisms via Delannoy paths on Cartesian products

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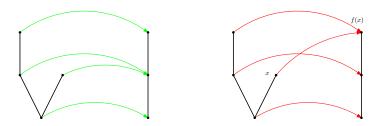
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- Our construction is "as Cartesian as possible".

Product of forests, known combinatorial methods.

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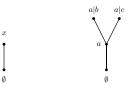
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Example. Let $\sigma = \{a|b\}$ and $\tau = \{x\}$. The merged shuffles of σ and τ are: $\{a|b|x\}, \{a|x|b\}, \{x|a|b\}, \{a|bx\}, \{ax|b\}$.

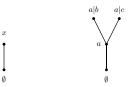
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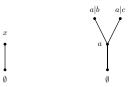


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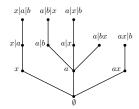


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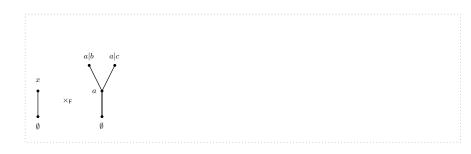
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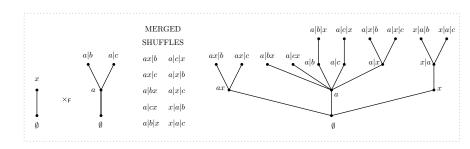
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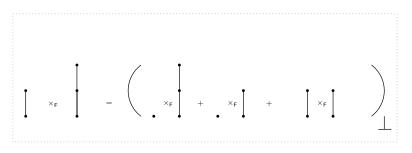
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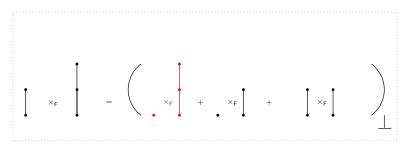
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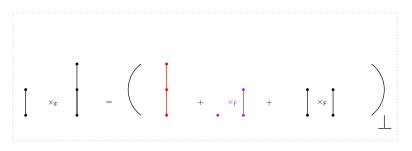
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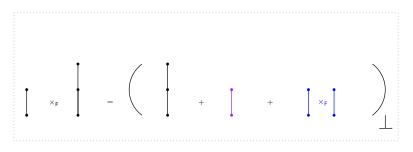
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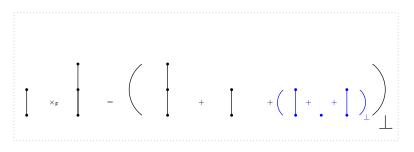






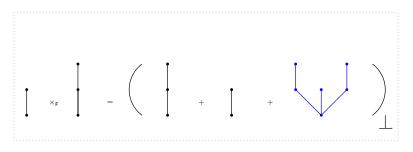
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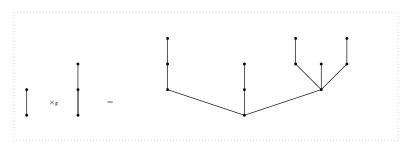
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Definition

Let P_1, \ldots, P_n be posets, and let $P = P_1 \times \cdots \times P_n$ be their (Cartesian) product. Let $\langle p_1, \ldots, p_h \rangle$ be a path on P.

The step from $p_i = (p_{i,1}, \ldots, p_{i,n})$ to $p_{i+1} = (p_{i+1,1}, \ldots, p_{i+1,n})$ is a Delannoy step, written $p_i \prec p_{i+1}$, if and only if there exists $k \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ such that $p_{i,k} \neq p_{i+1,k}$, and for each $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$, $p_{i,j} \leq p_{i+1,j}$.

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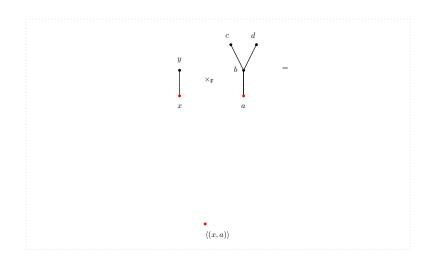
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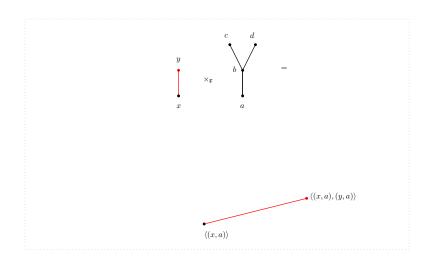
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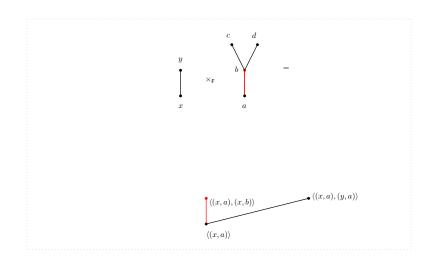
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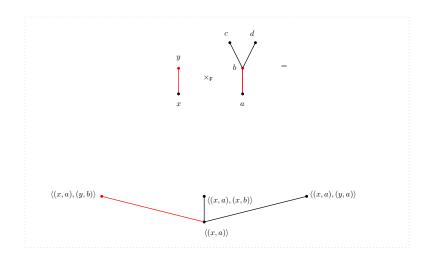
Let $d \in F \times_{\mathsf{F}} G$, with $d = \langle (f_1, g_1), \ldots, (f_n, g_n) \rangle$. The projection functions $\pi_F : F \times_{\mathsf{F}} G \to F$ and $\pi_G : F \times_{\mathsf{F}} G \to G$ are defined by

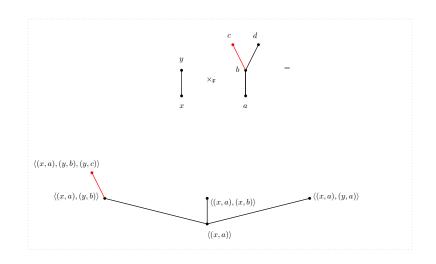
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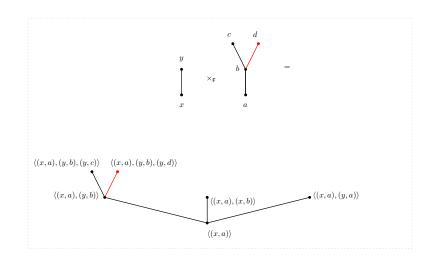


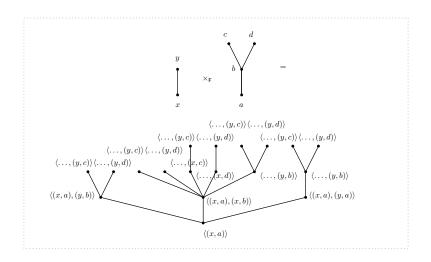


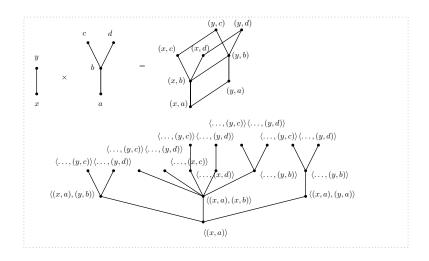


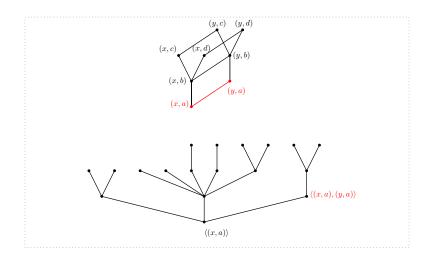


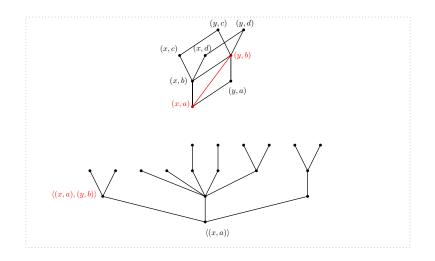


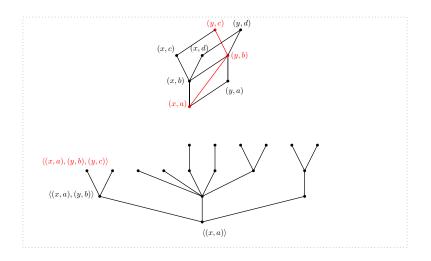












Enumeration.

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The following table shows some values of Delannoy numbers.

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15
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1	7	25	63	129	231	377	575
1	9	41	129	321	681	1289	2241
1	11	61	231	681	1683	3653	7183

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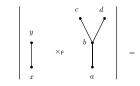
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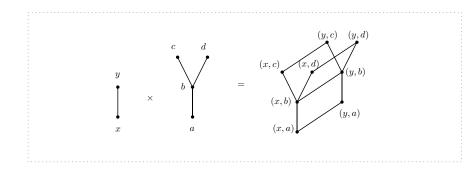
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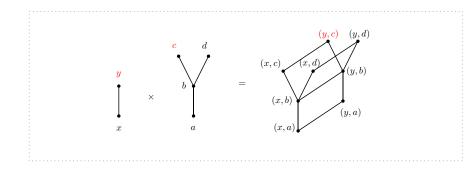


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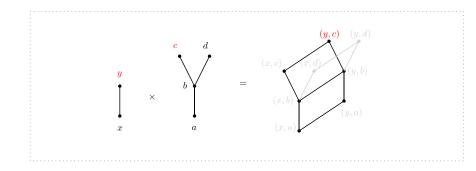




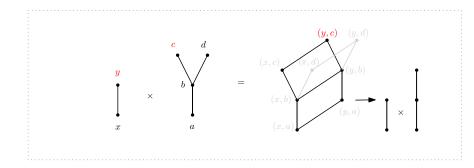












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