

Universal notions of independences

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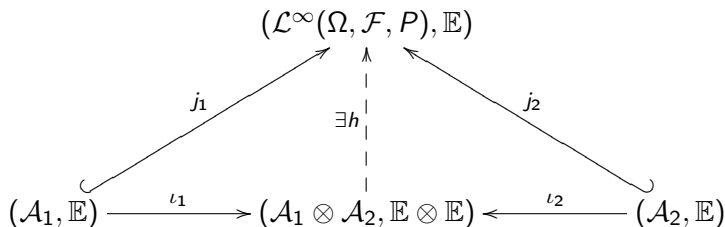
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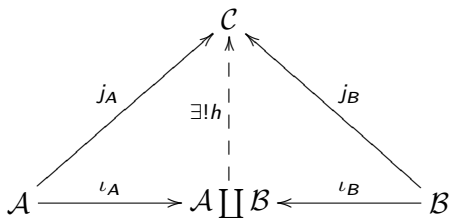
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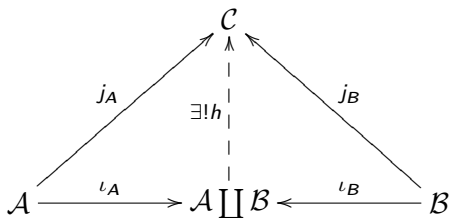
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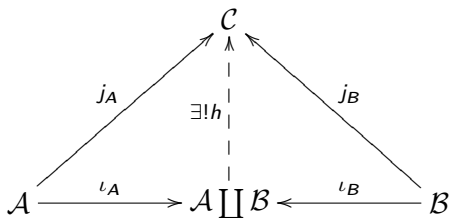


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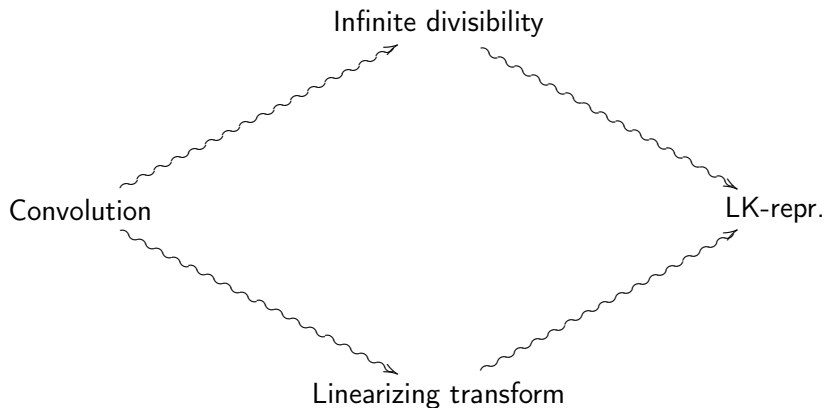
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General answer: Represent a and b as selfadjoint operators on a Hilbert space. Then $\mu \square \nu$ is the spectral distribution of the selfadjoint operator $a + b$.

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