Exploring Content Models for Multi-Document Summarization

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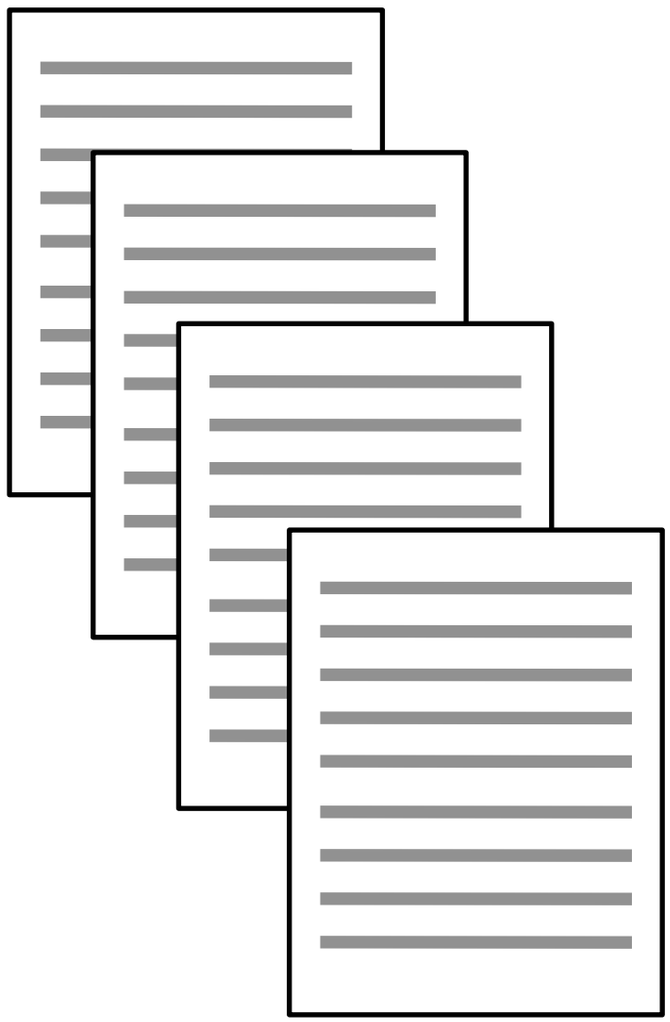

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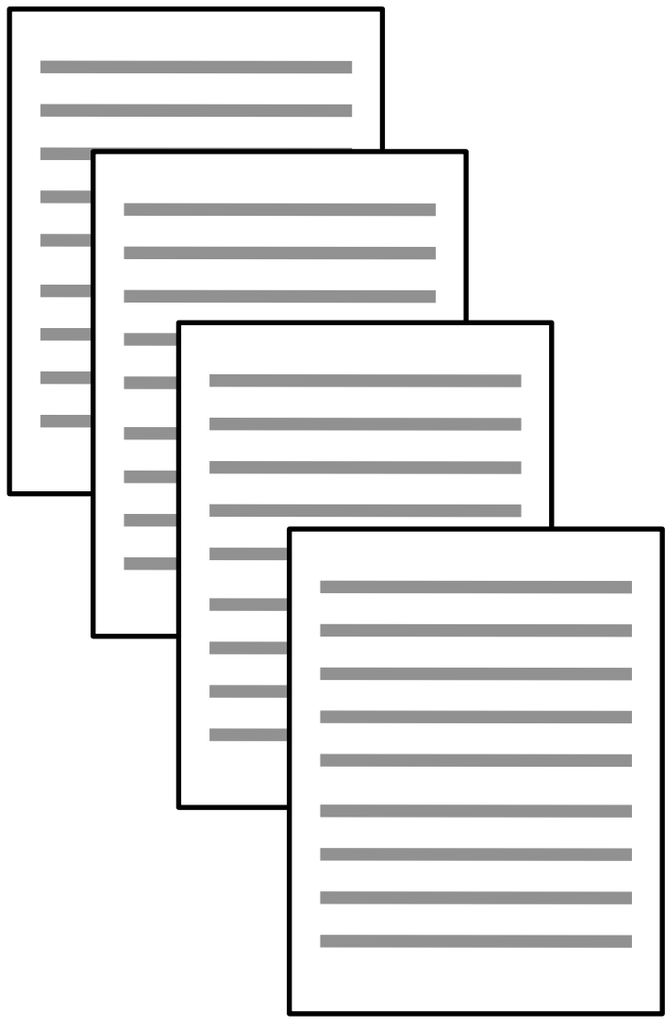

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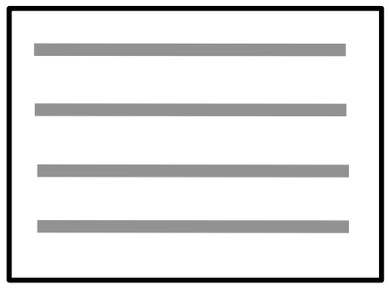

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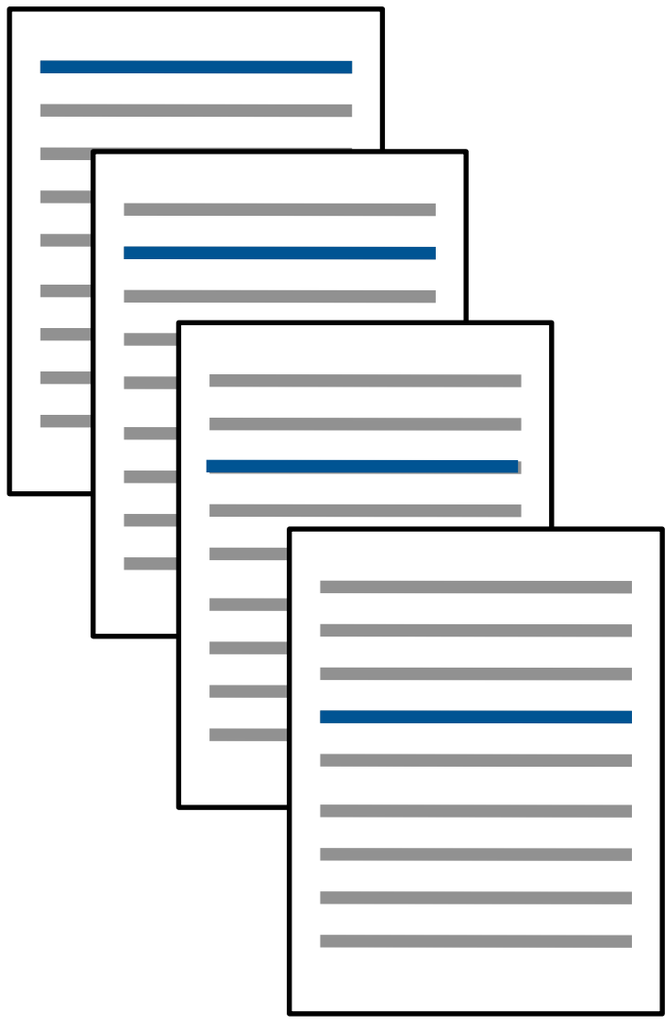

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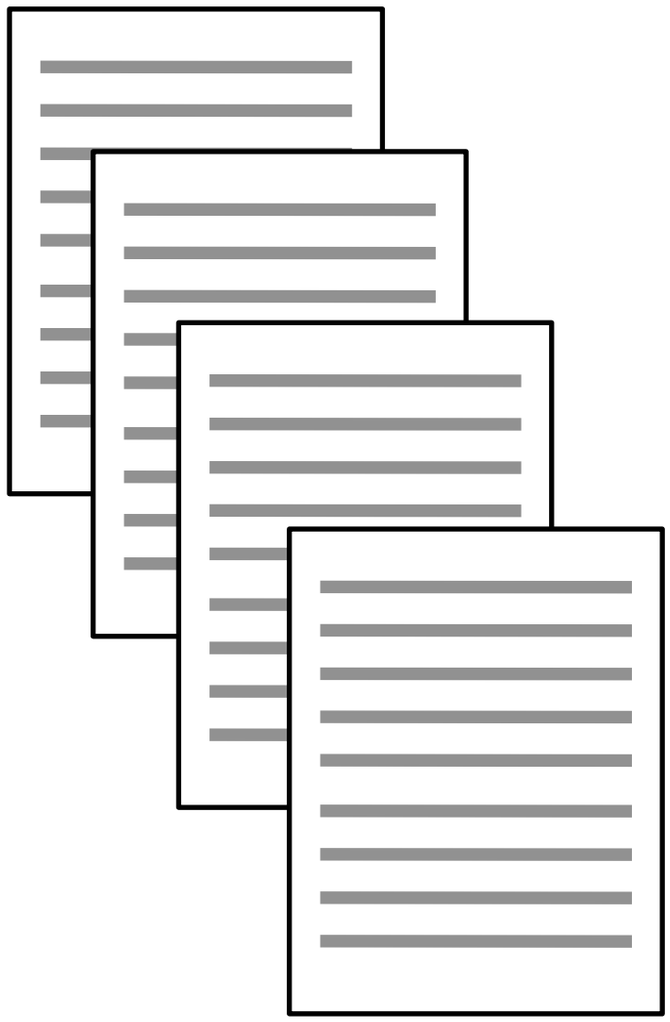

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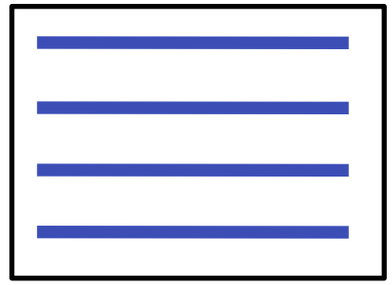

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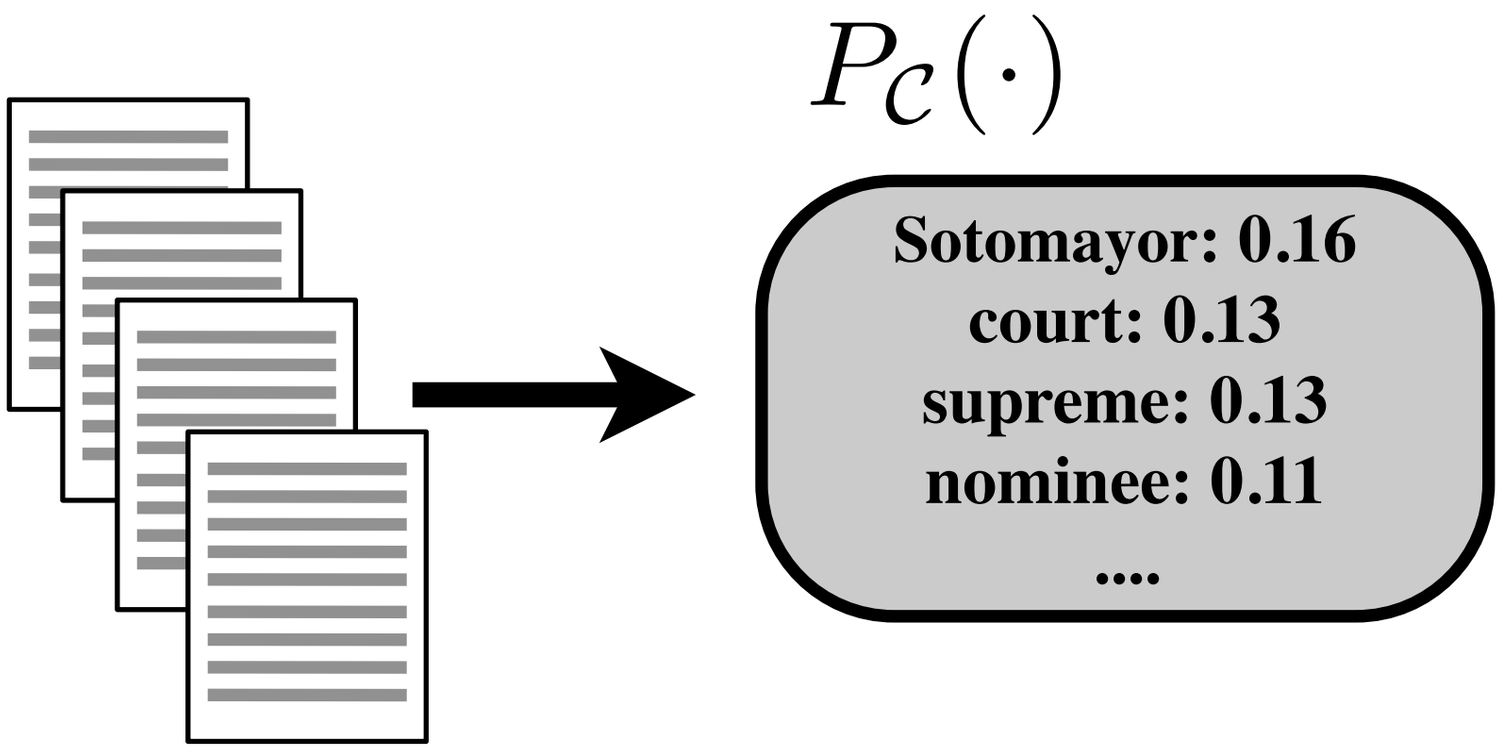

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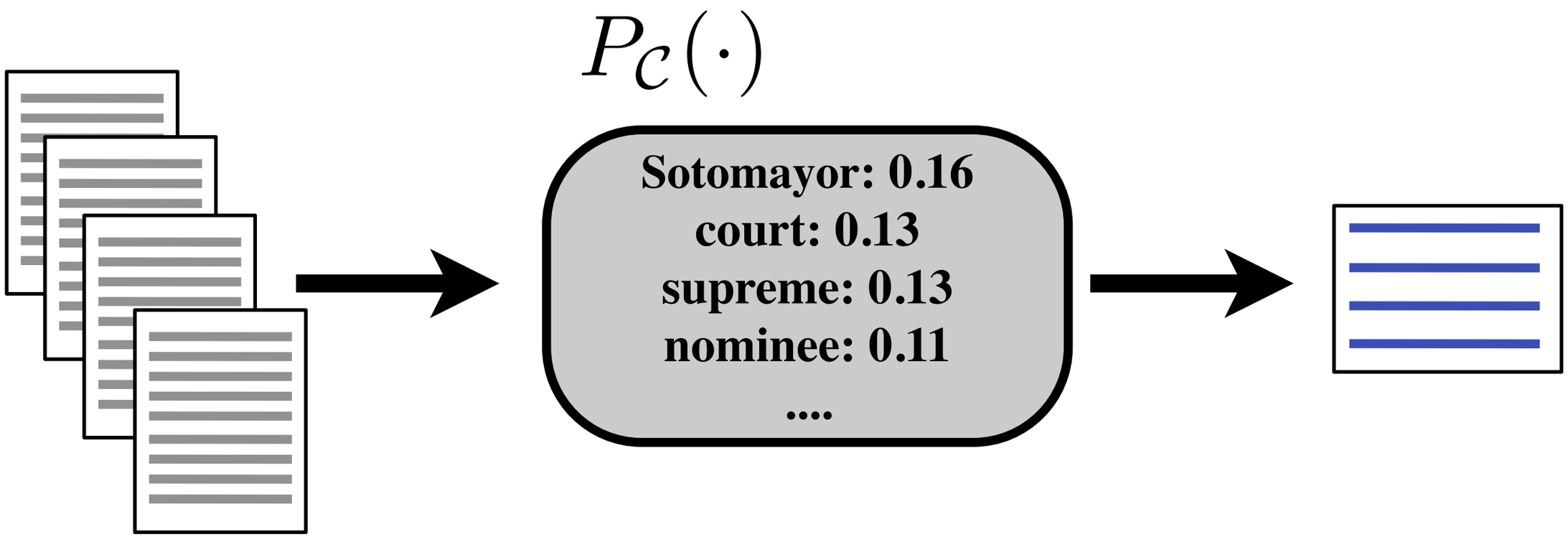

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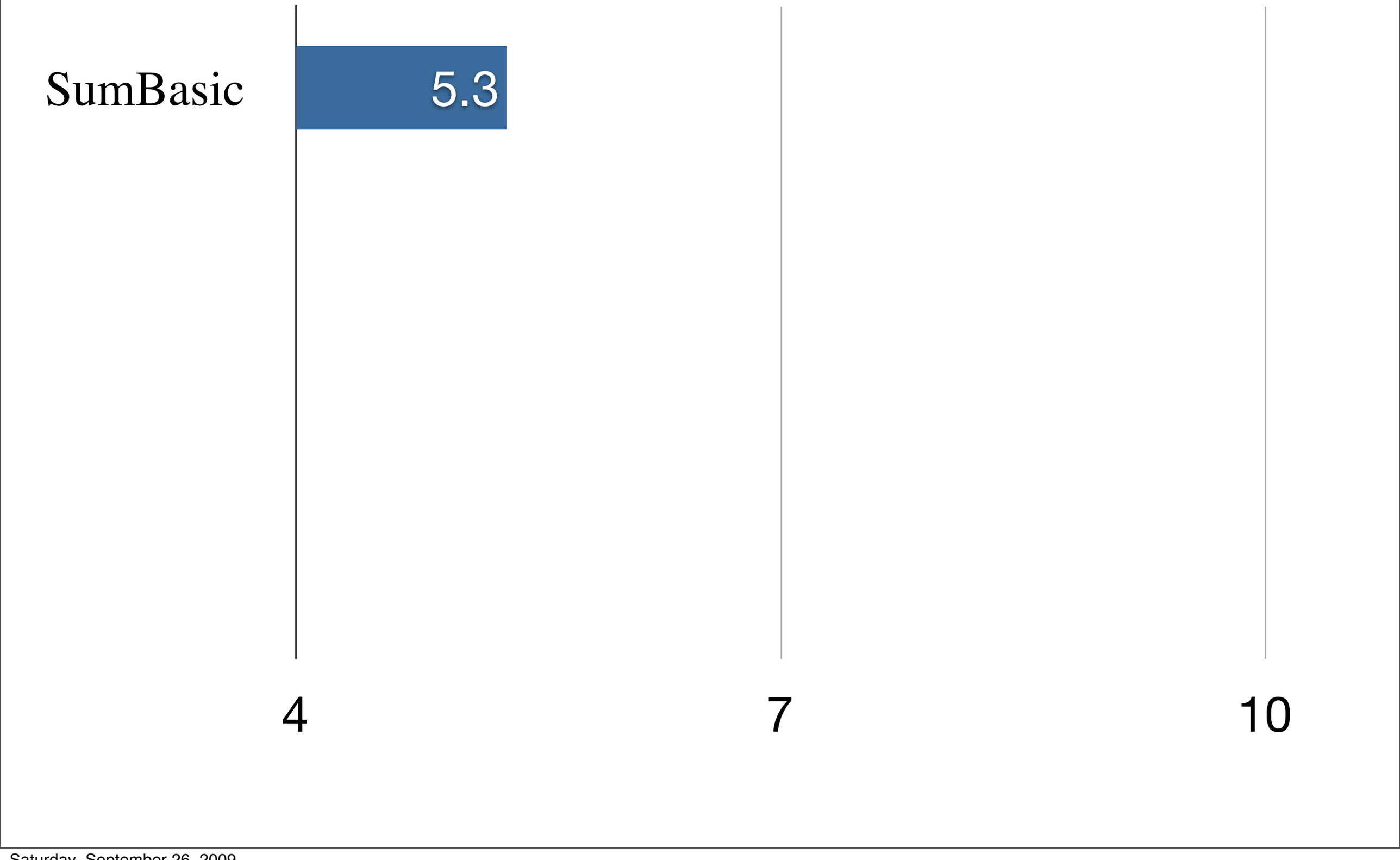

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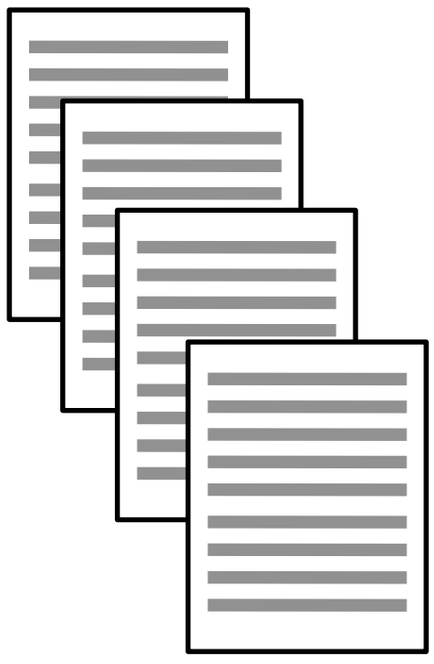

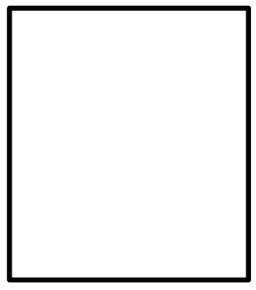

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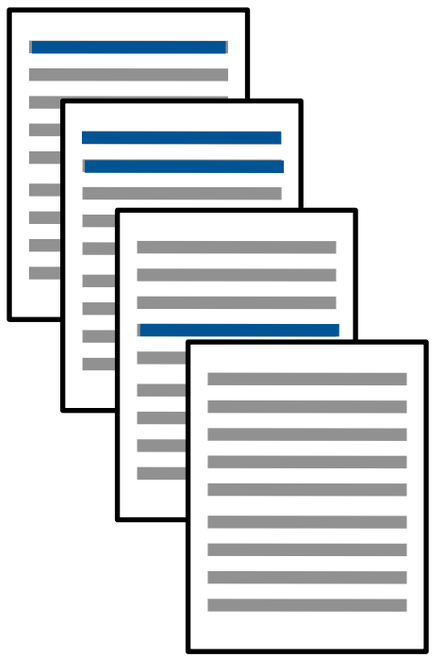

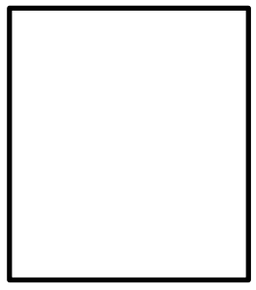

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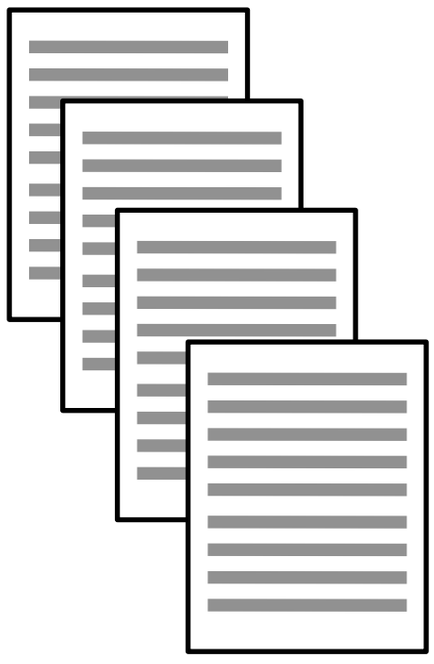

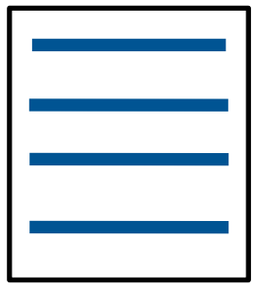

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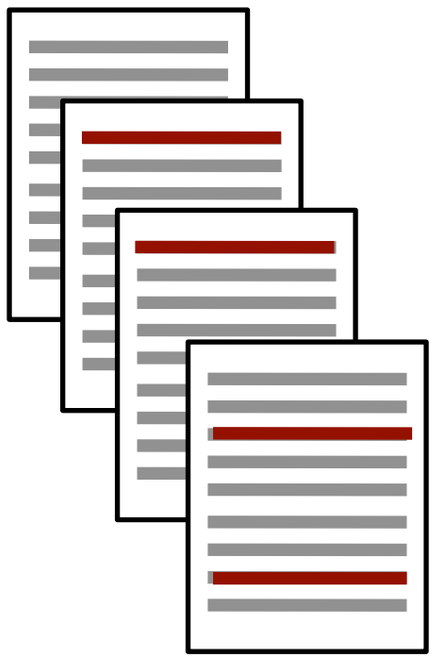

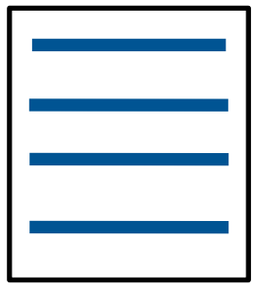

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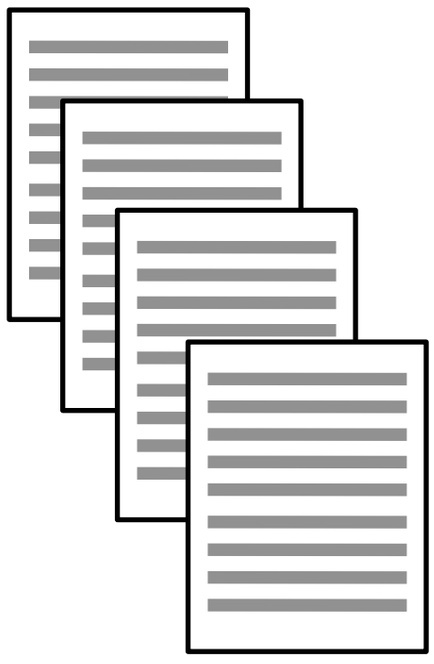

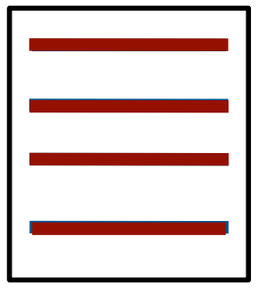

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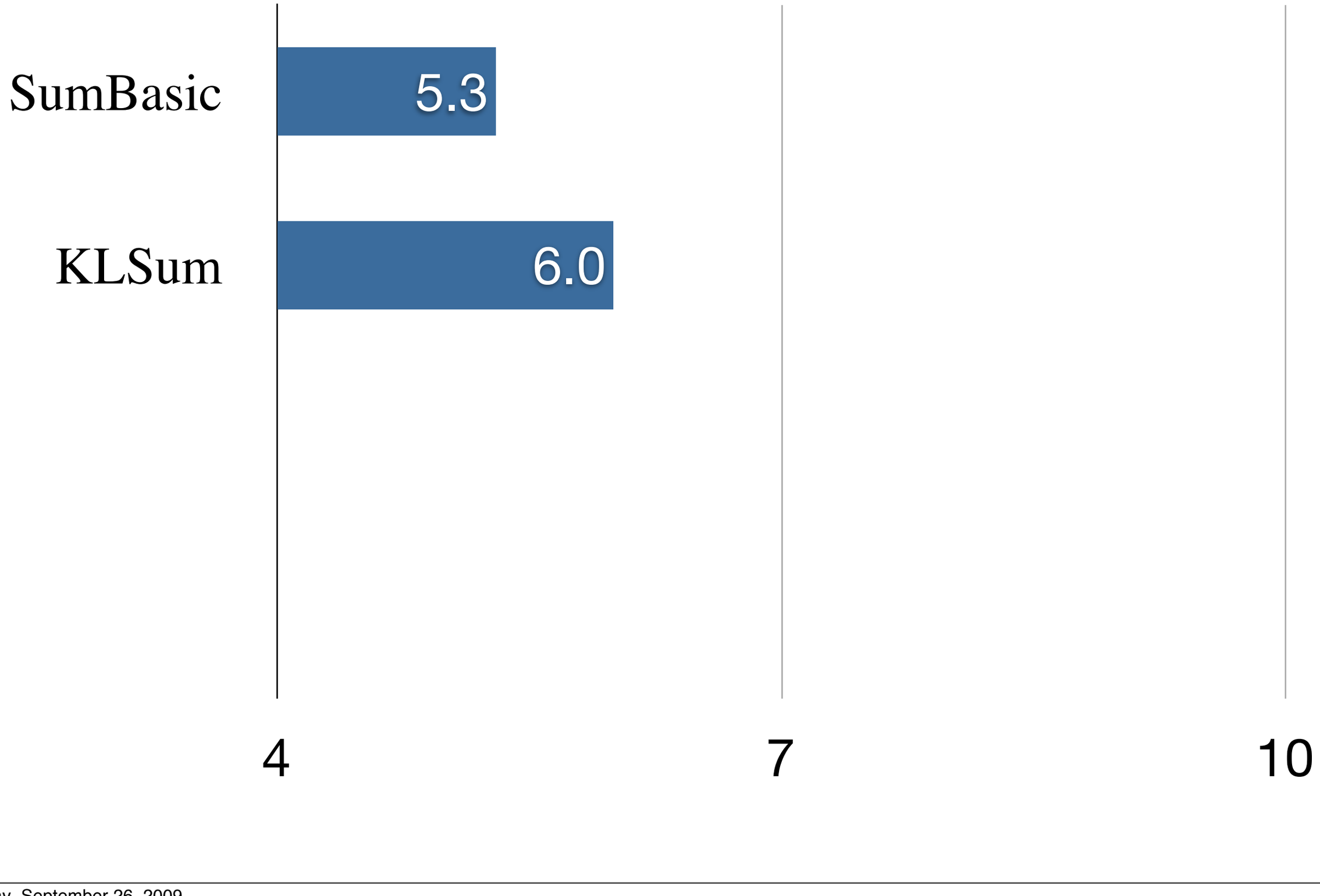

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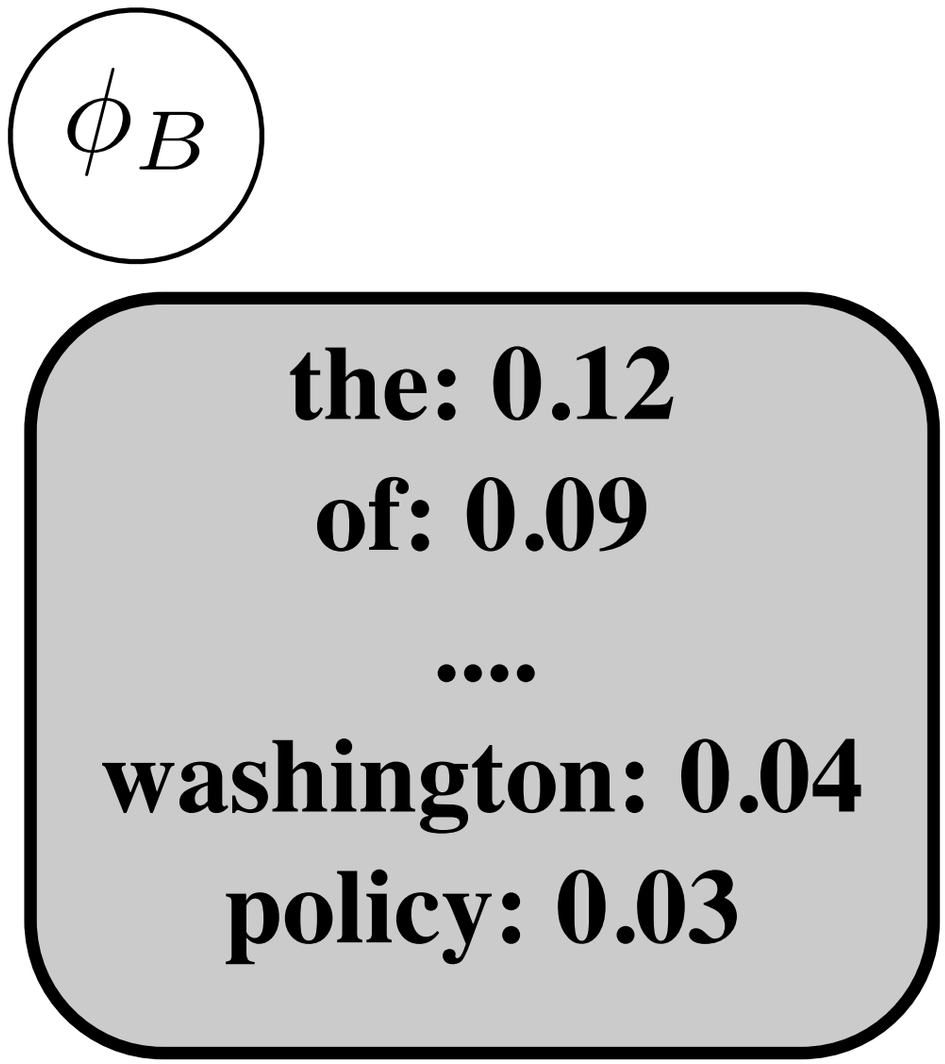

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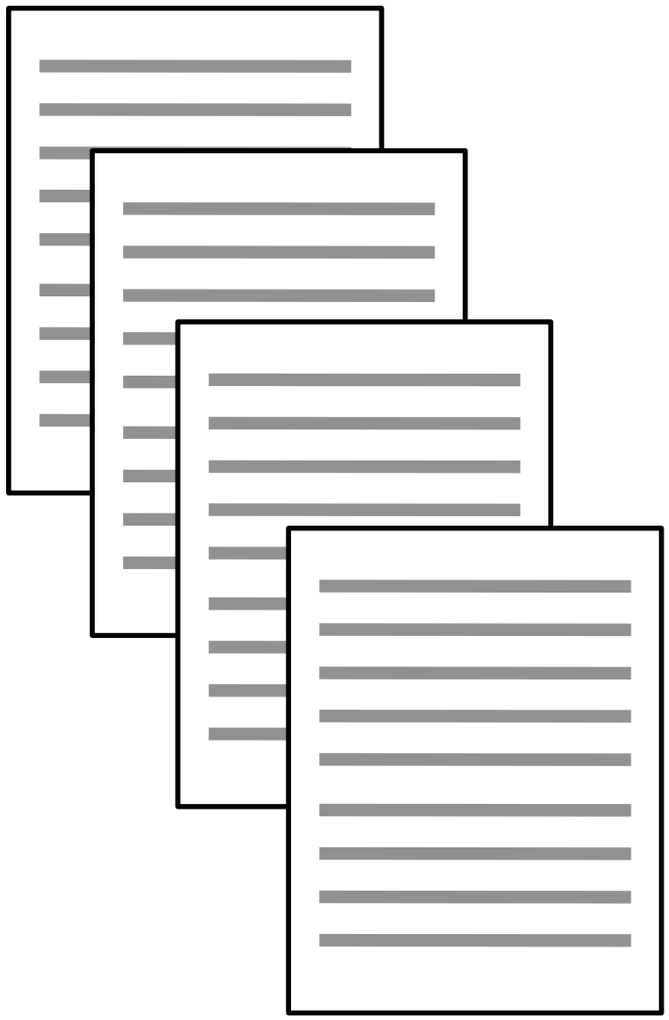

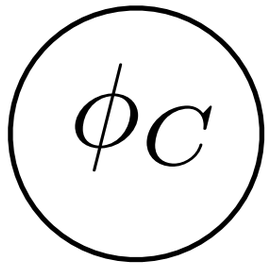

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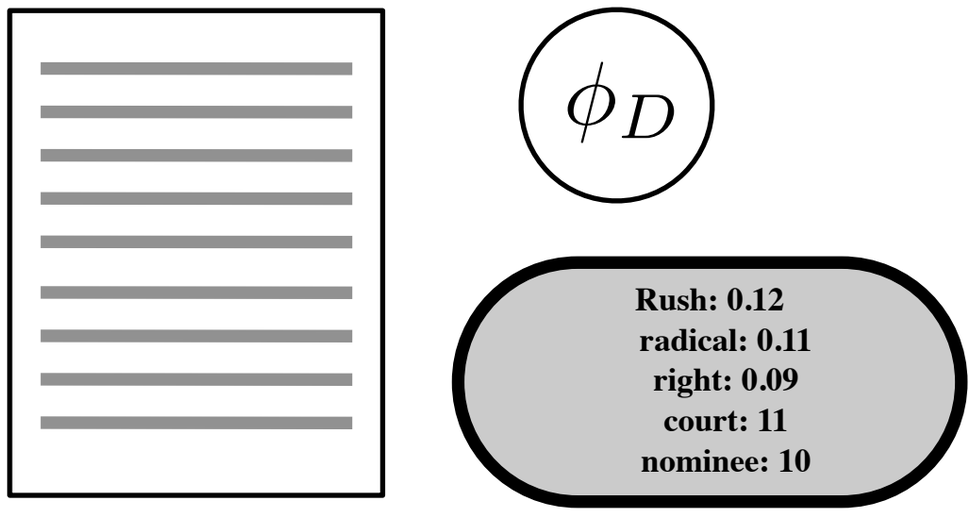

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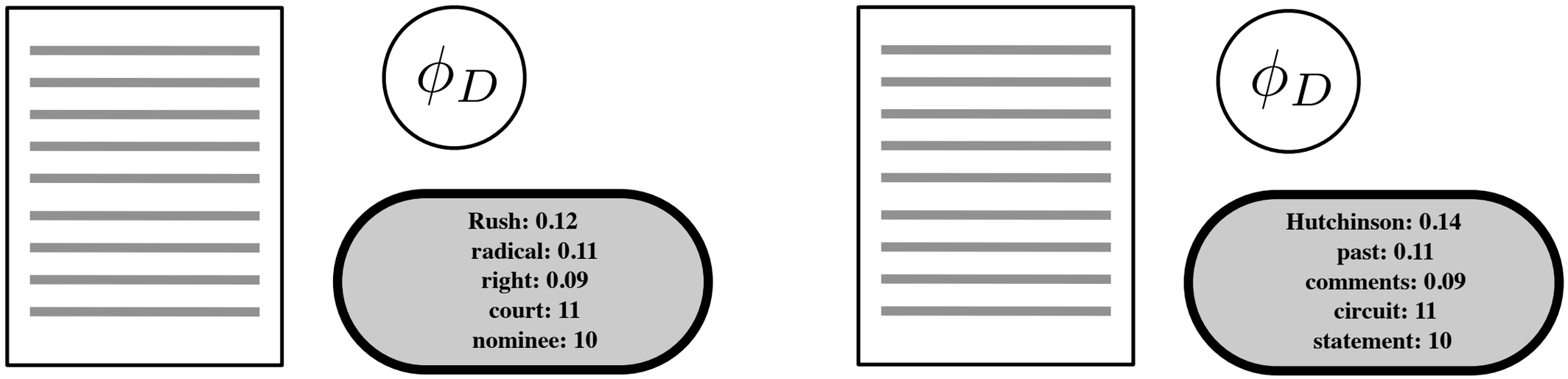

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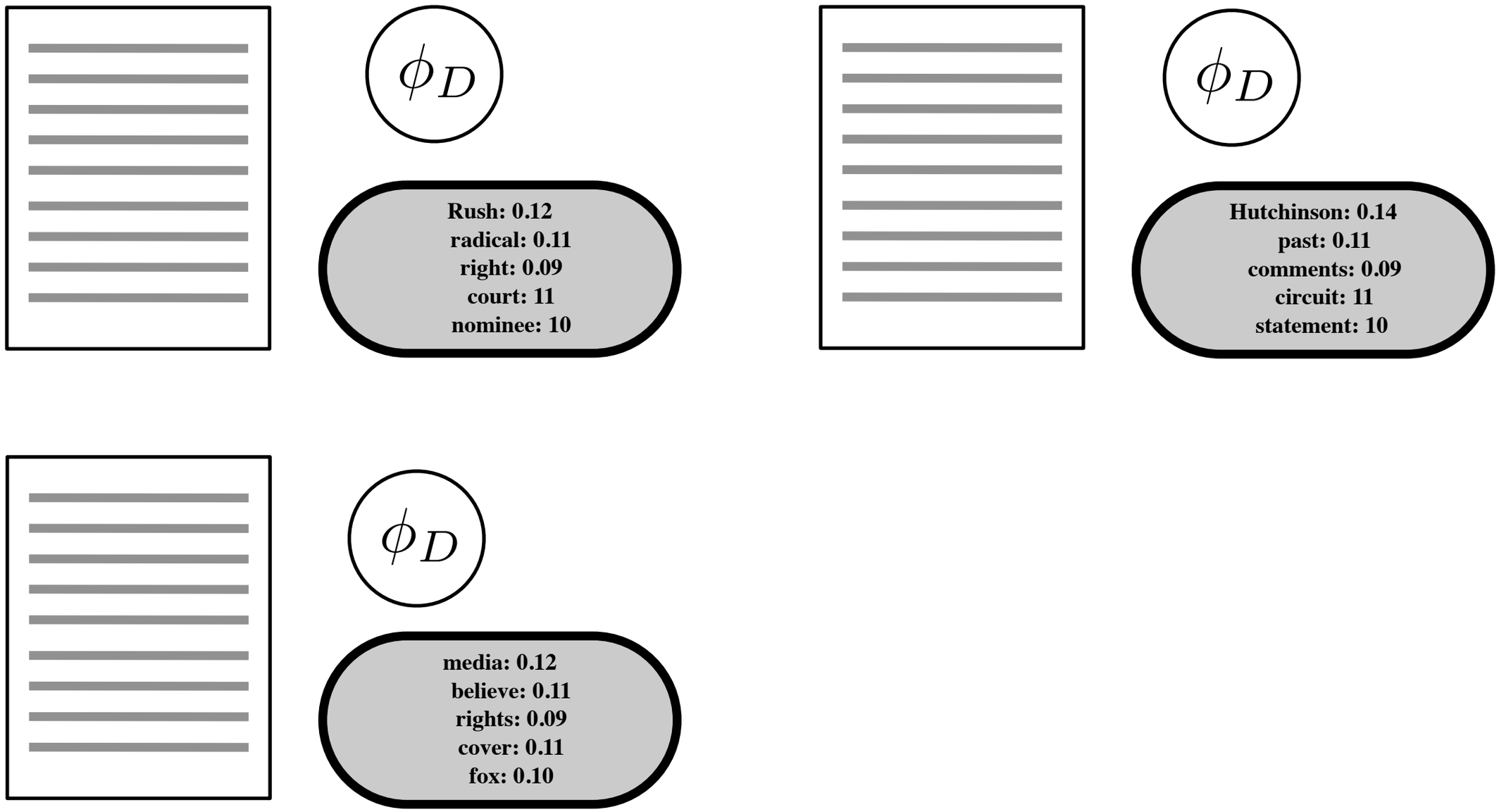

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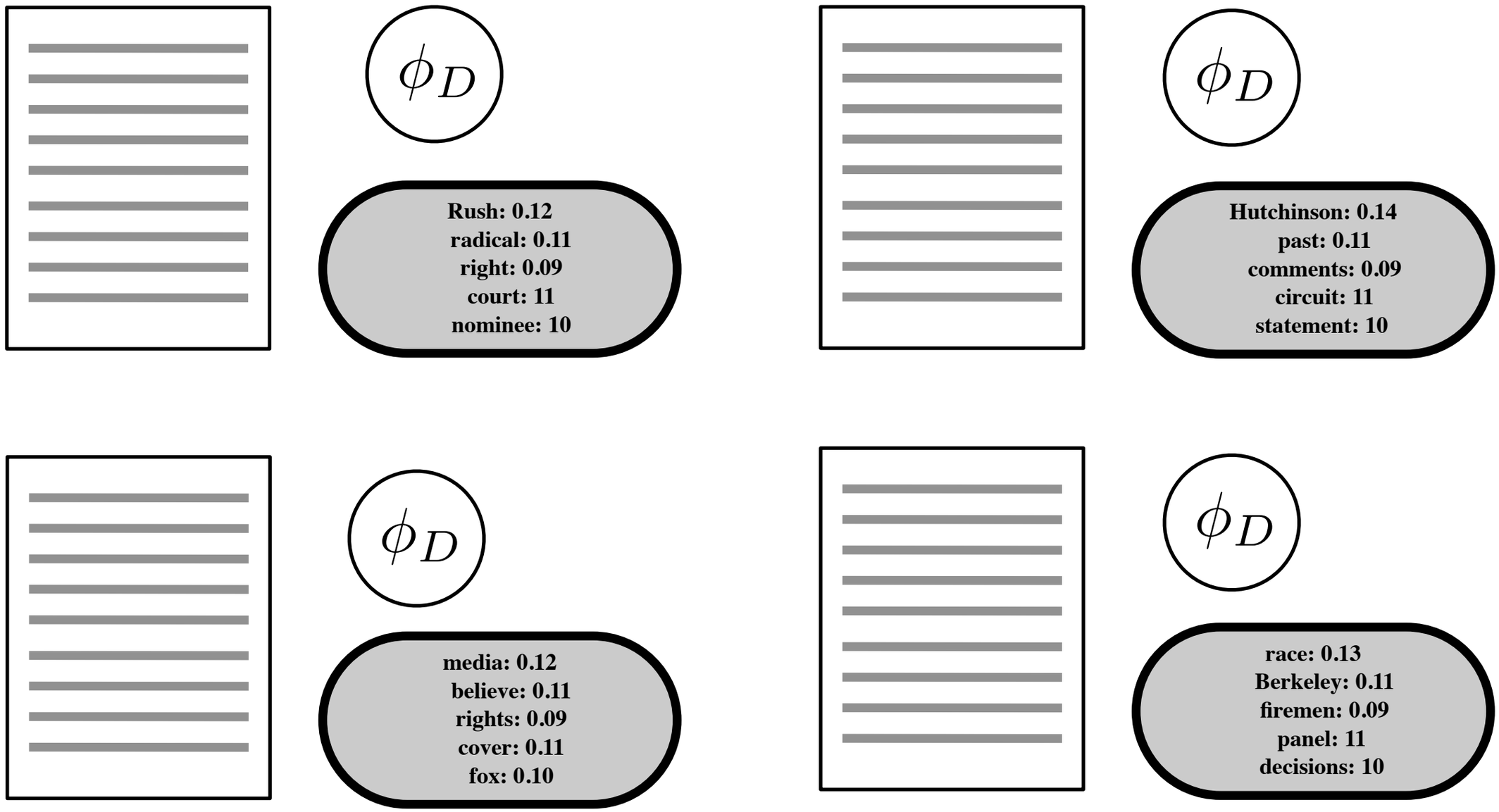

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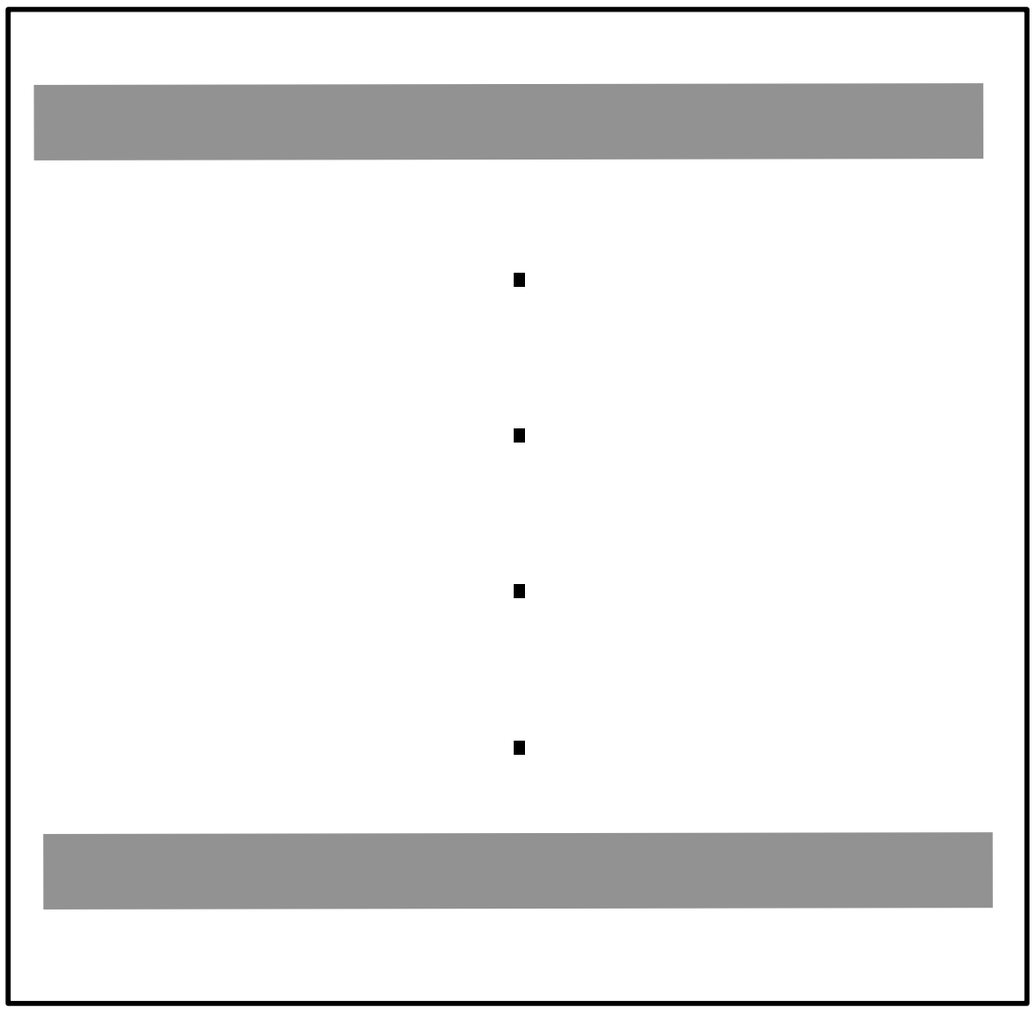

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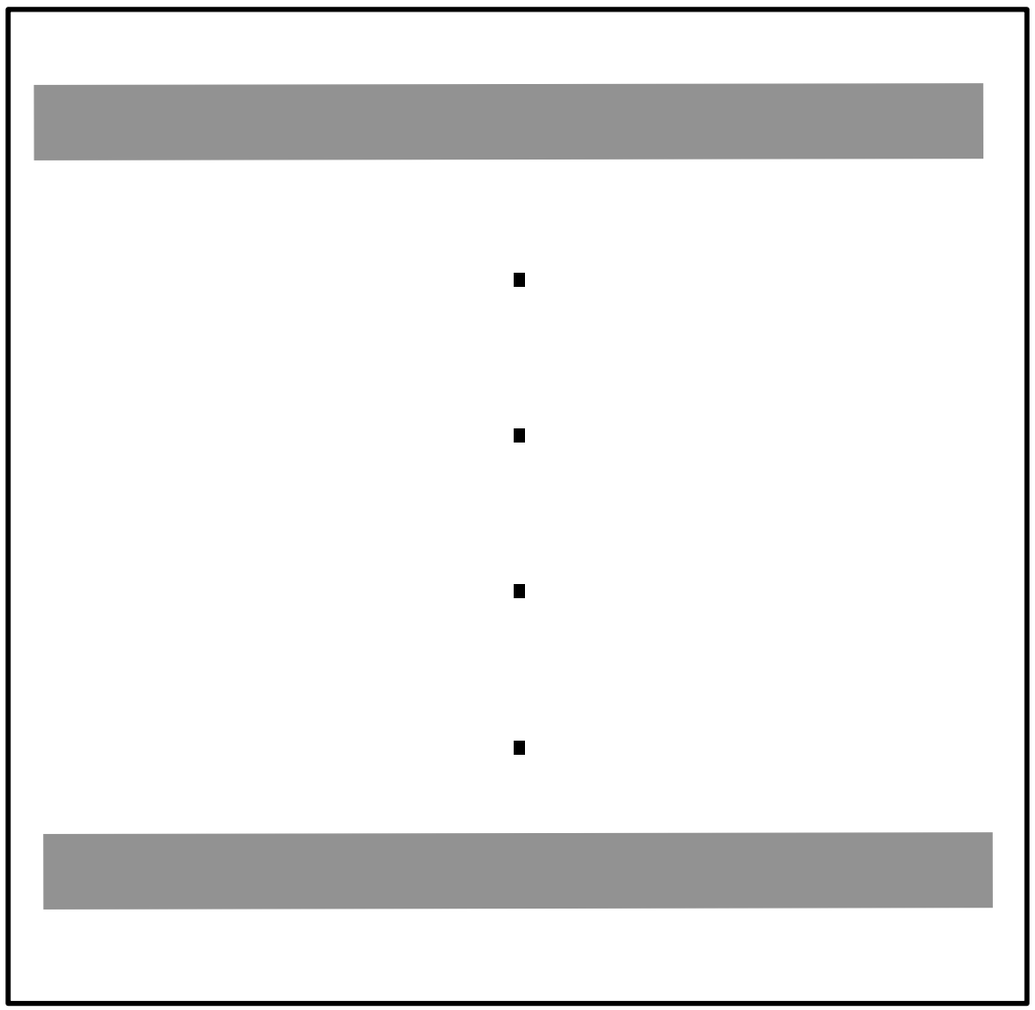

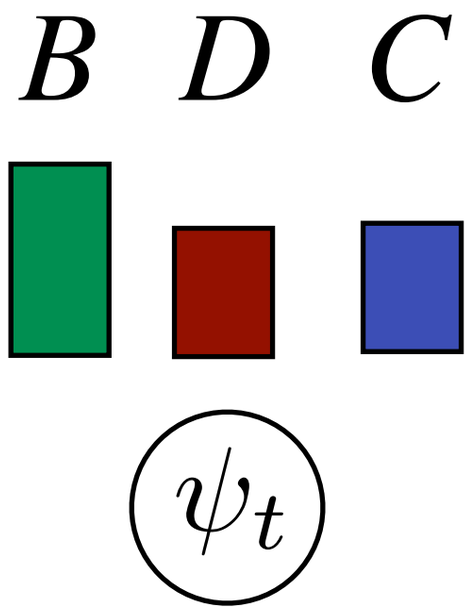

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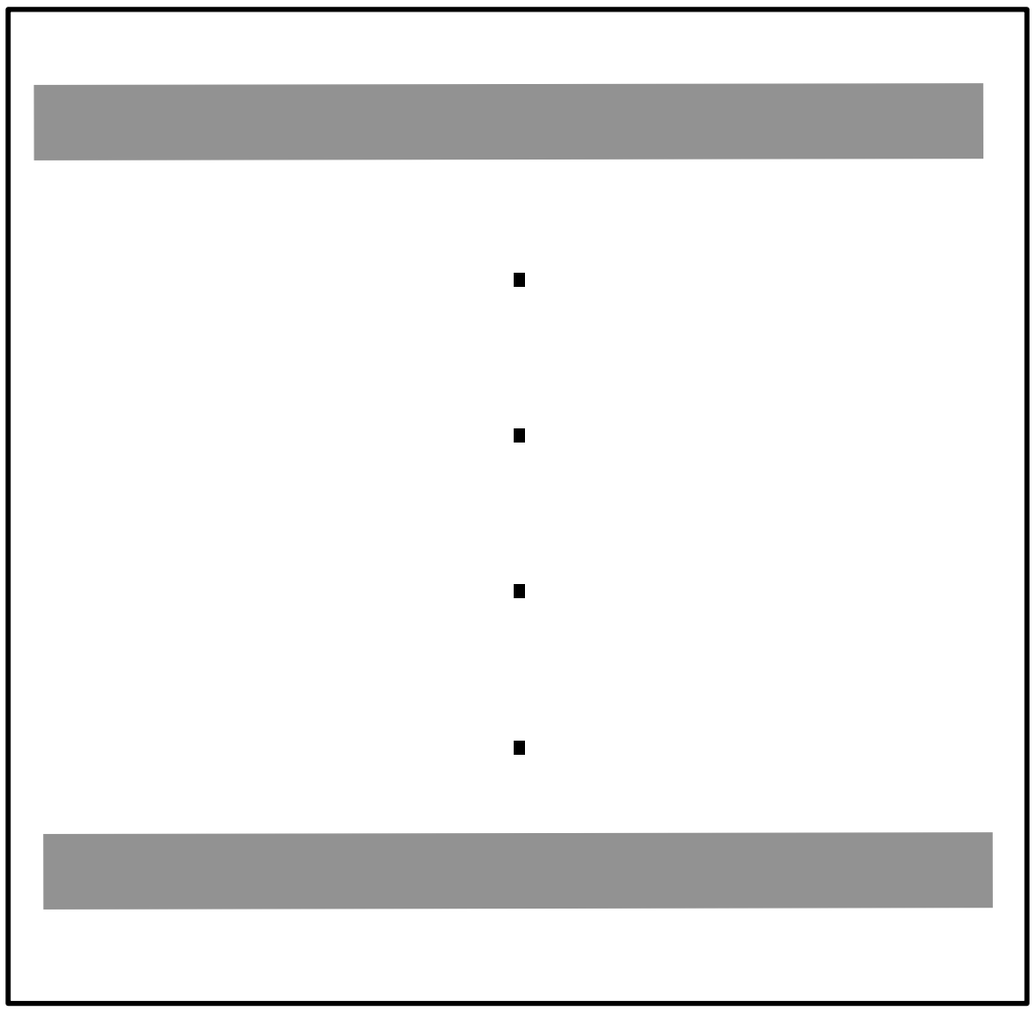

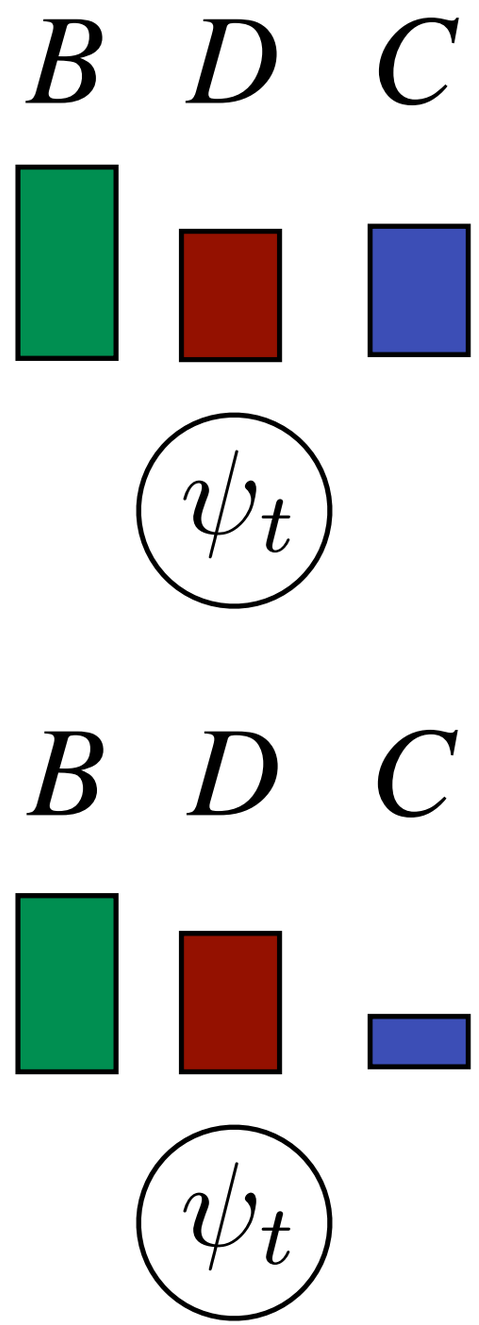

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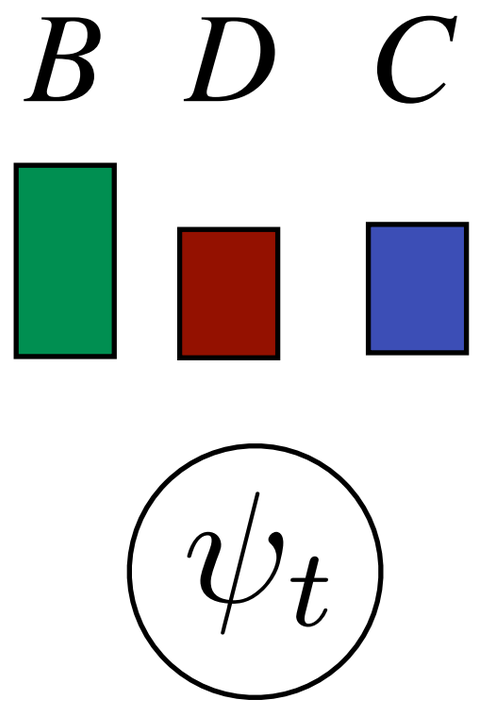

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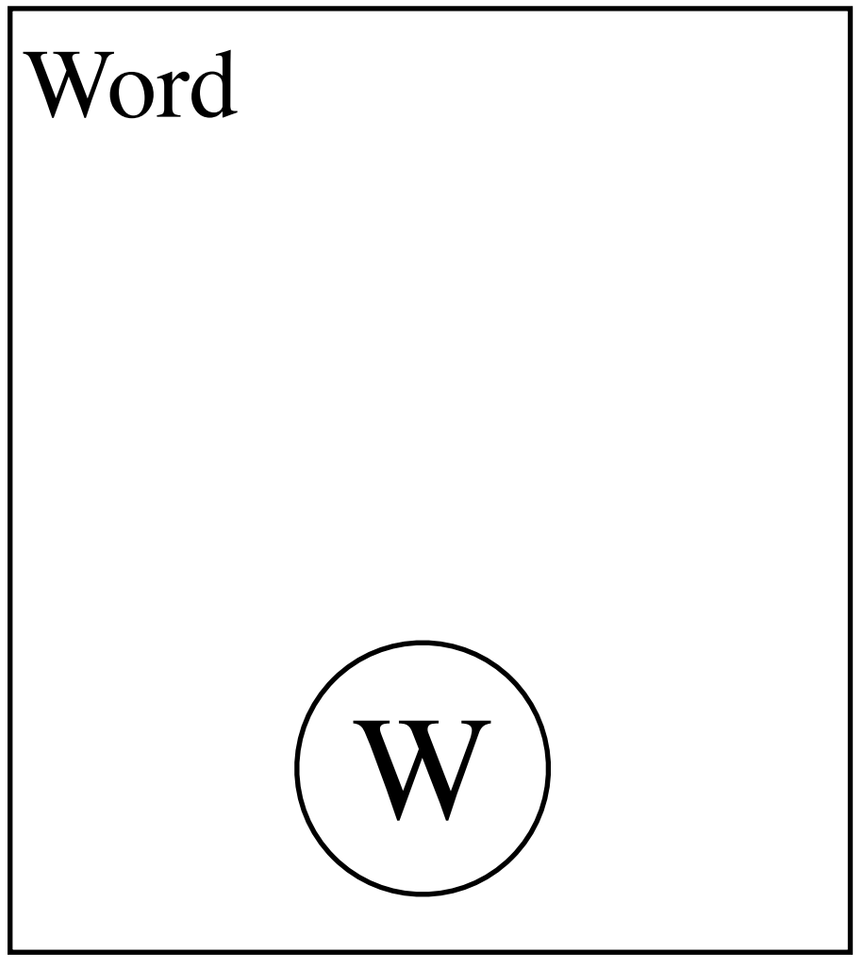

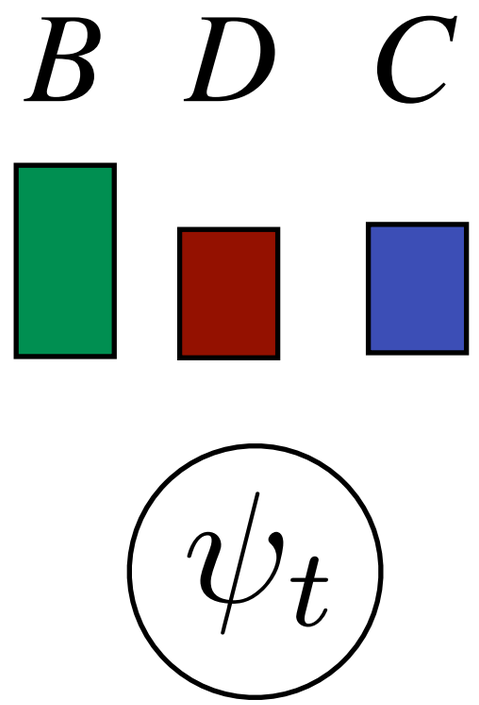

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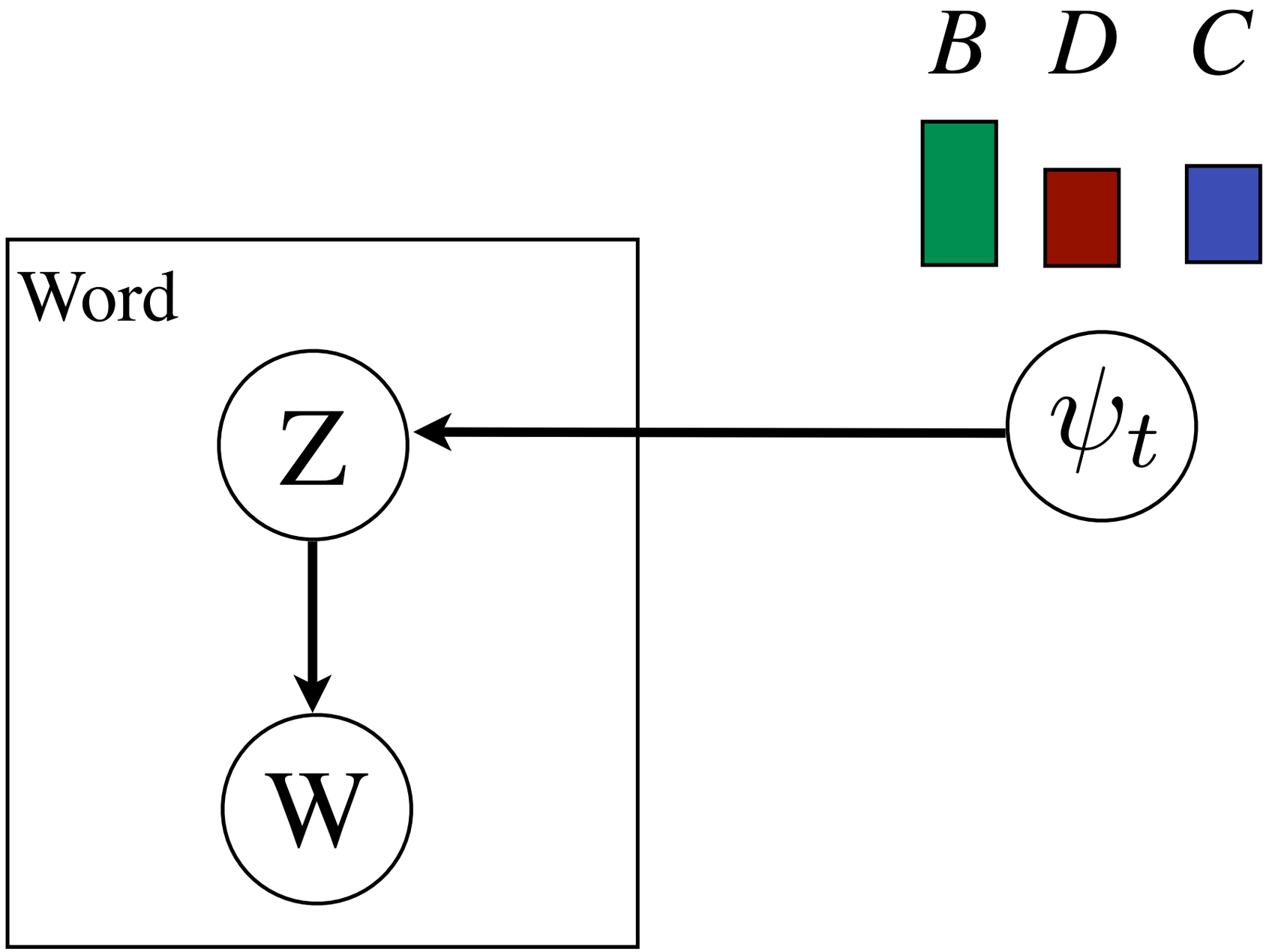

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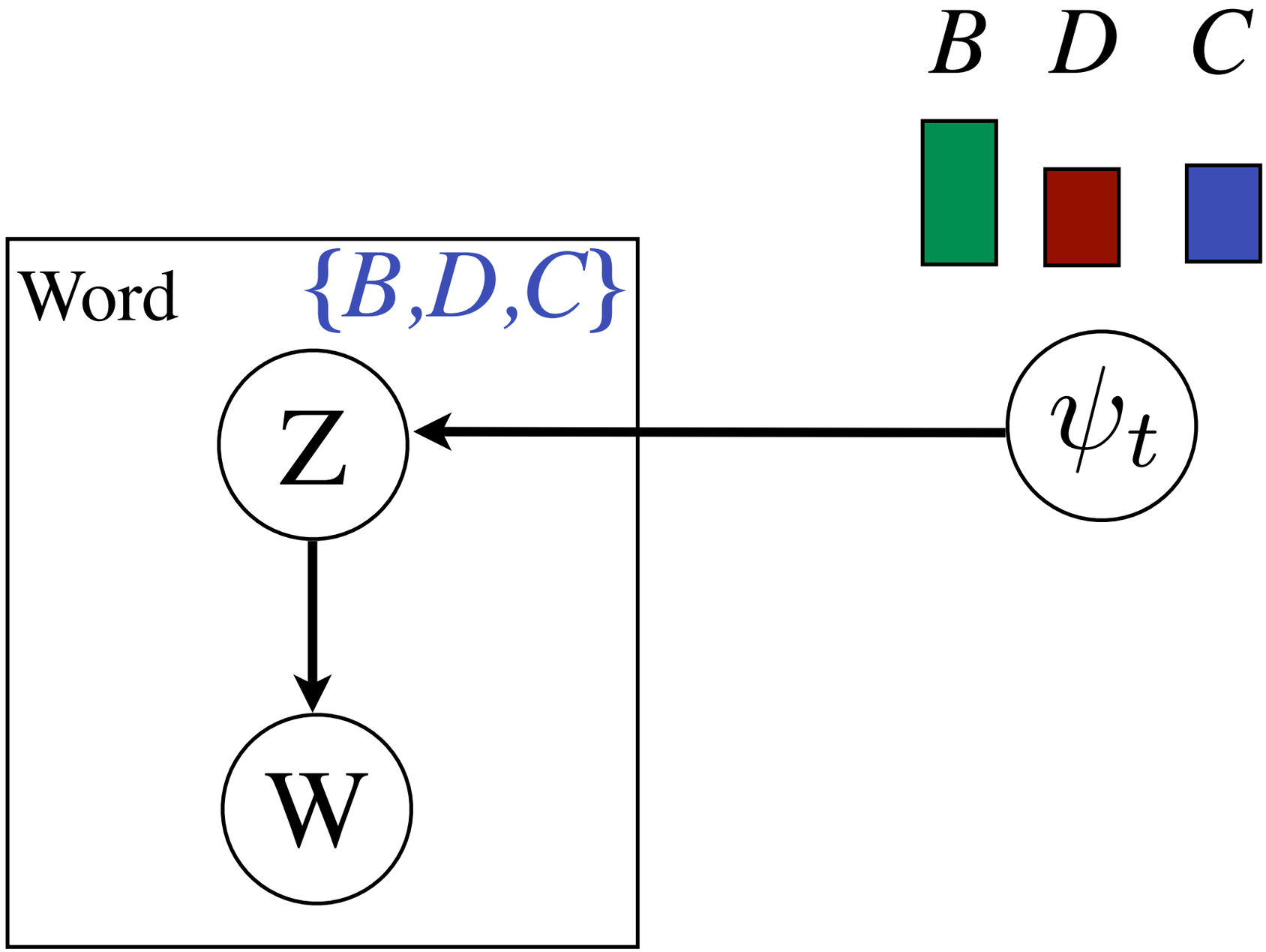

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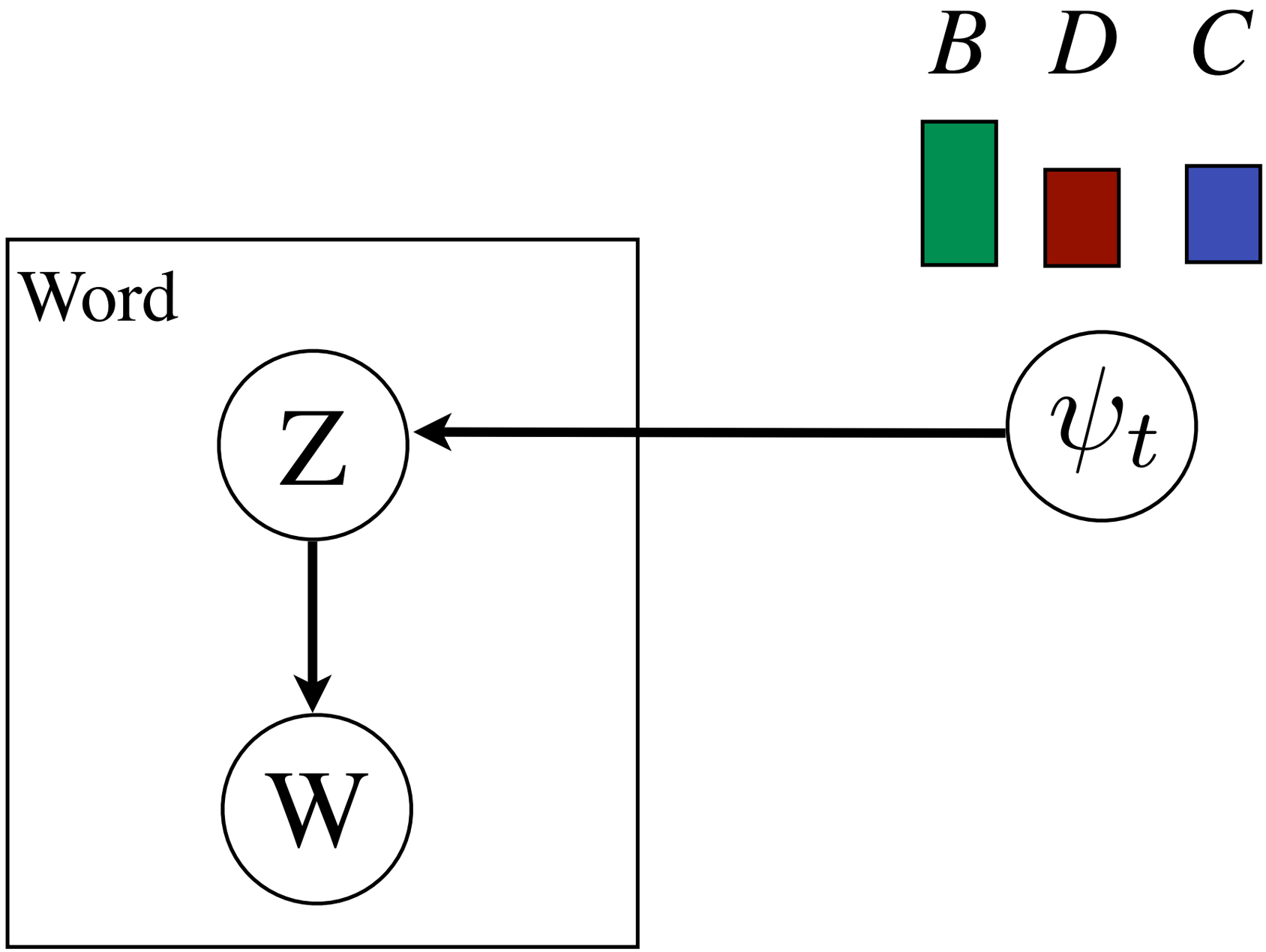

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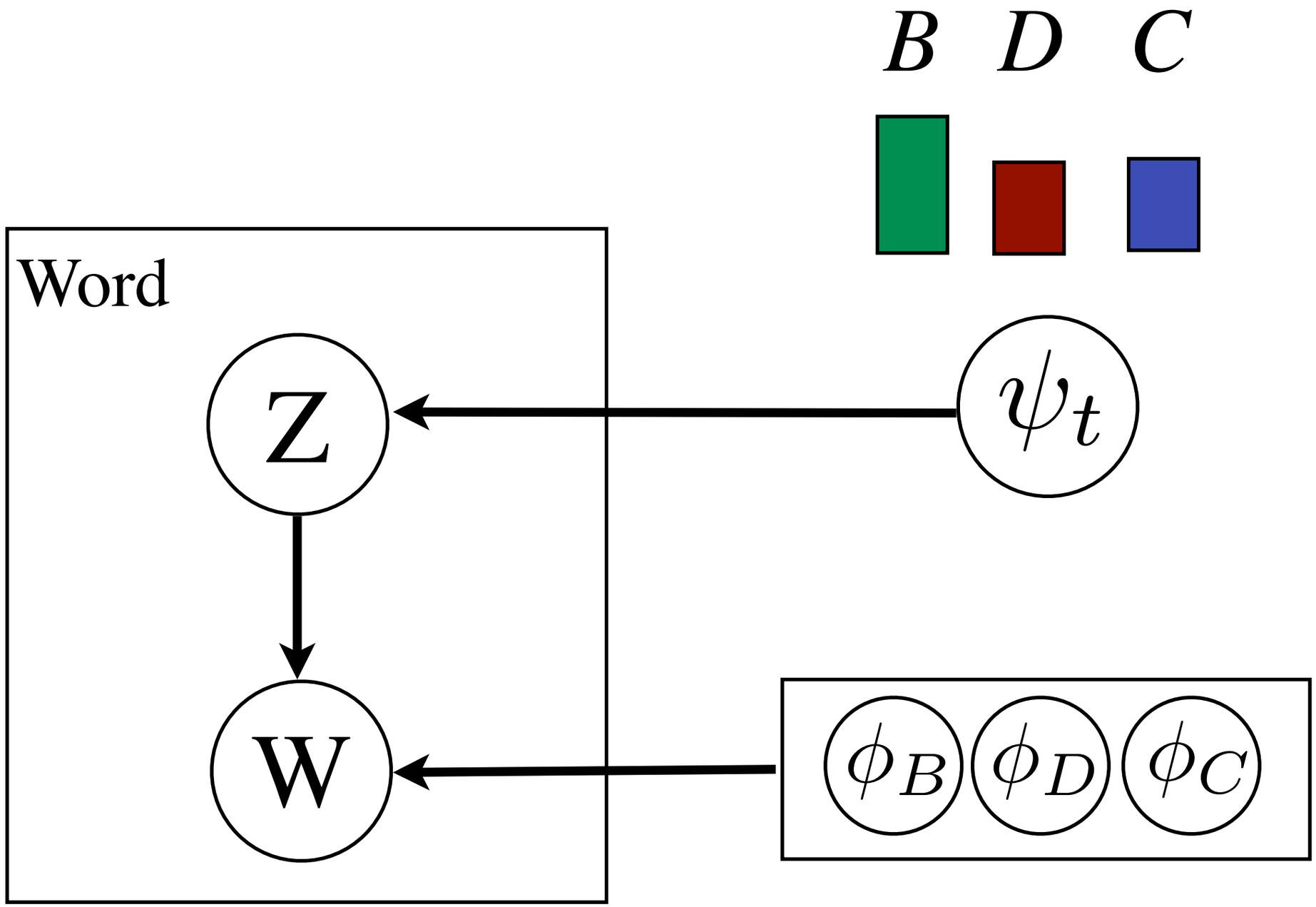

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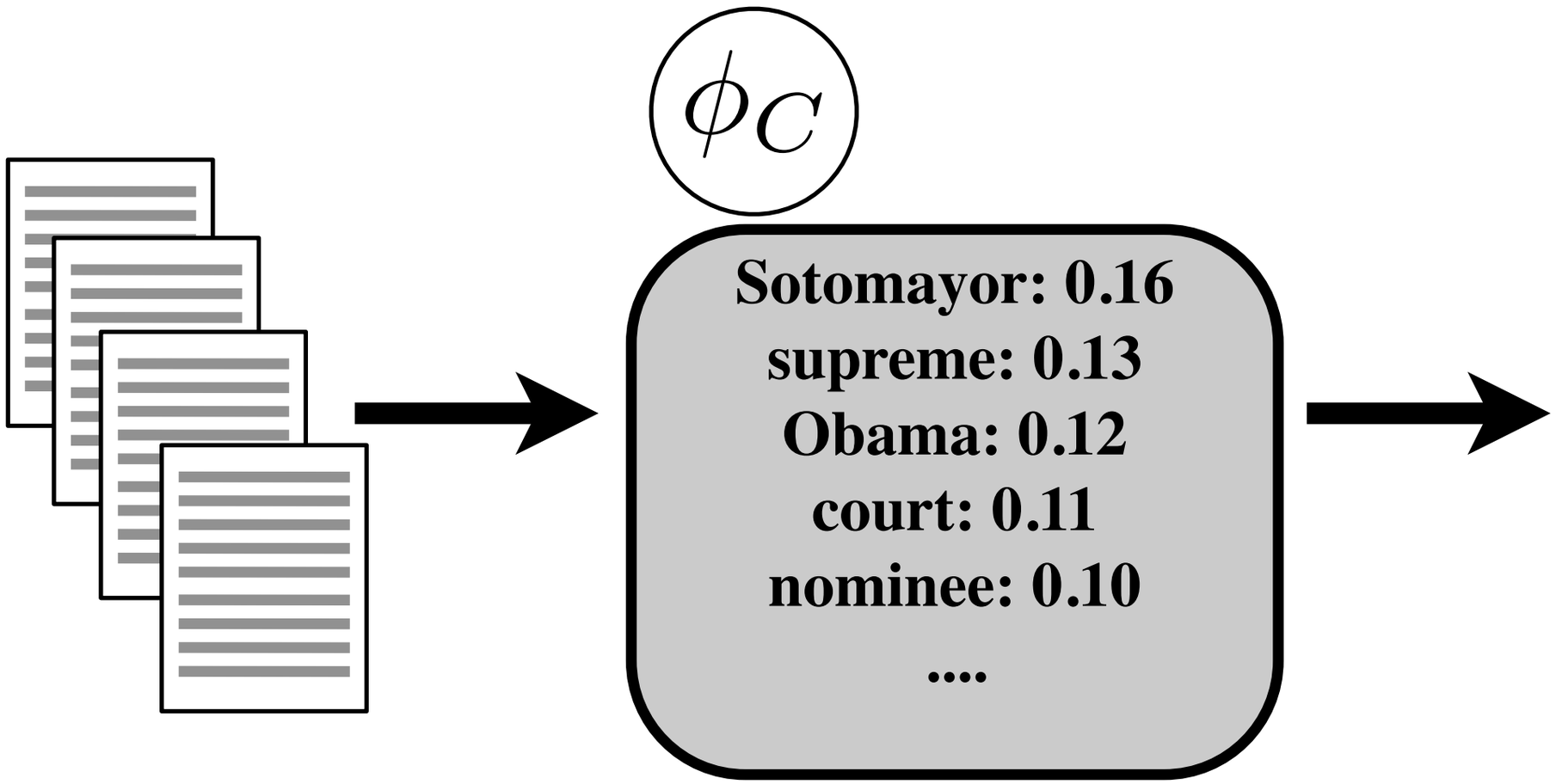

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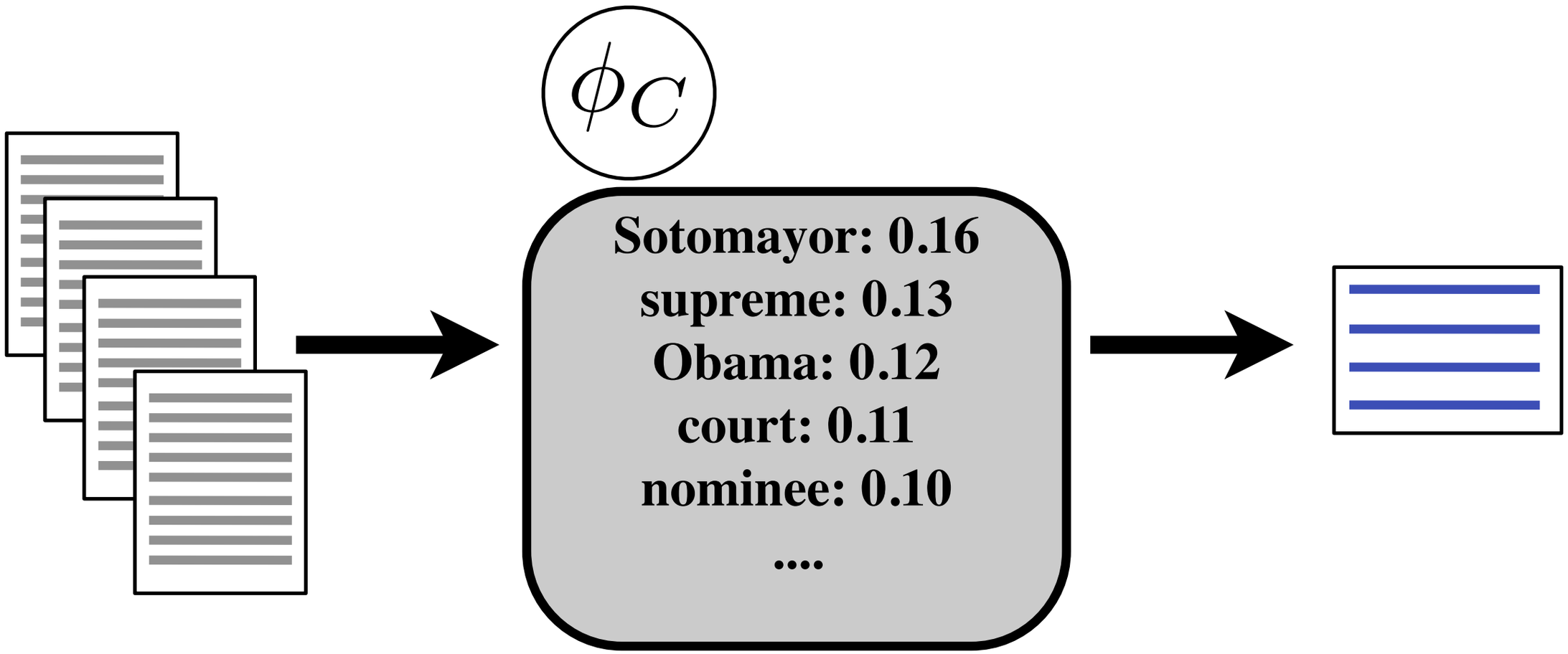

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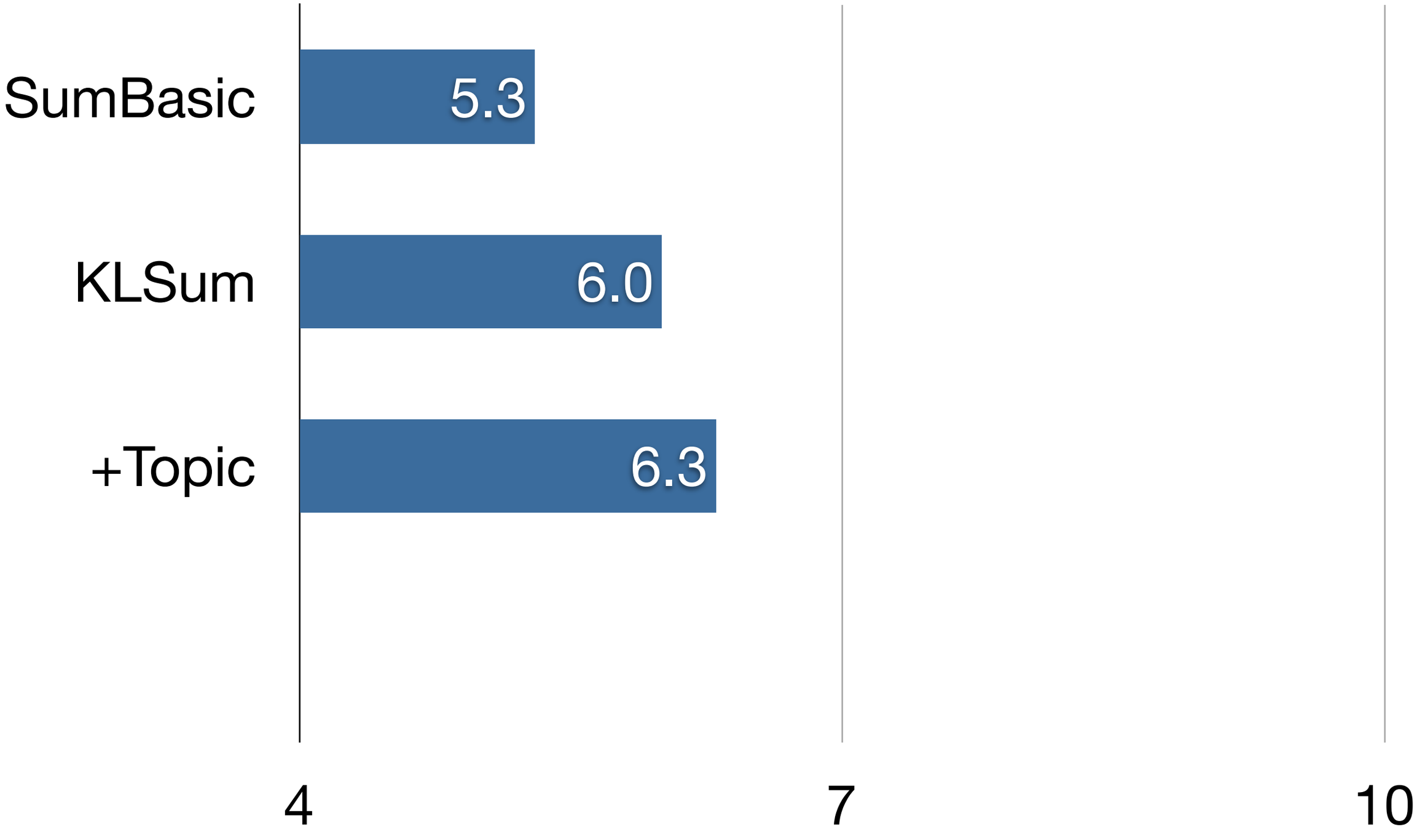

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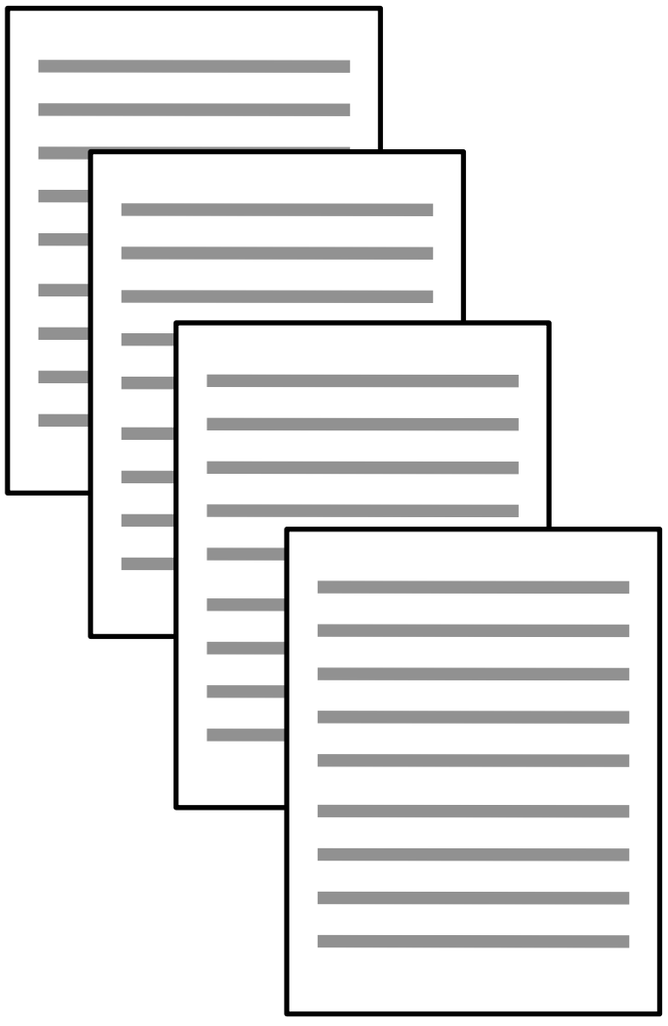

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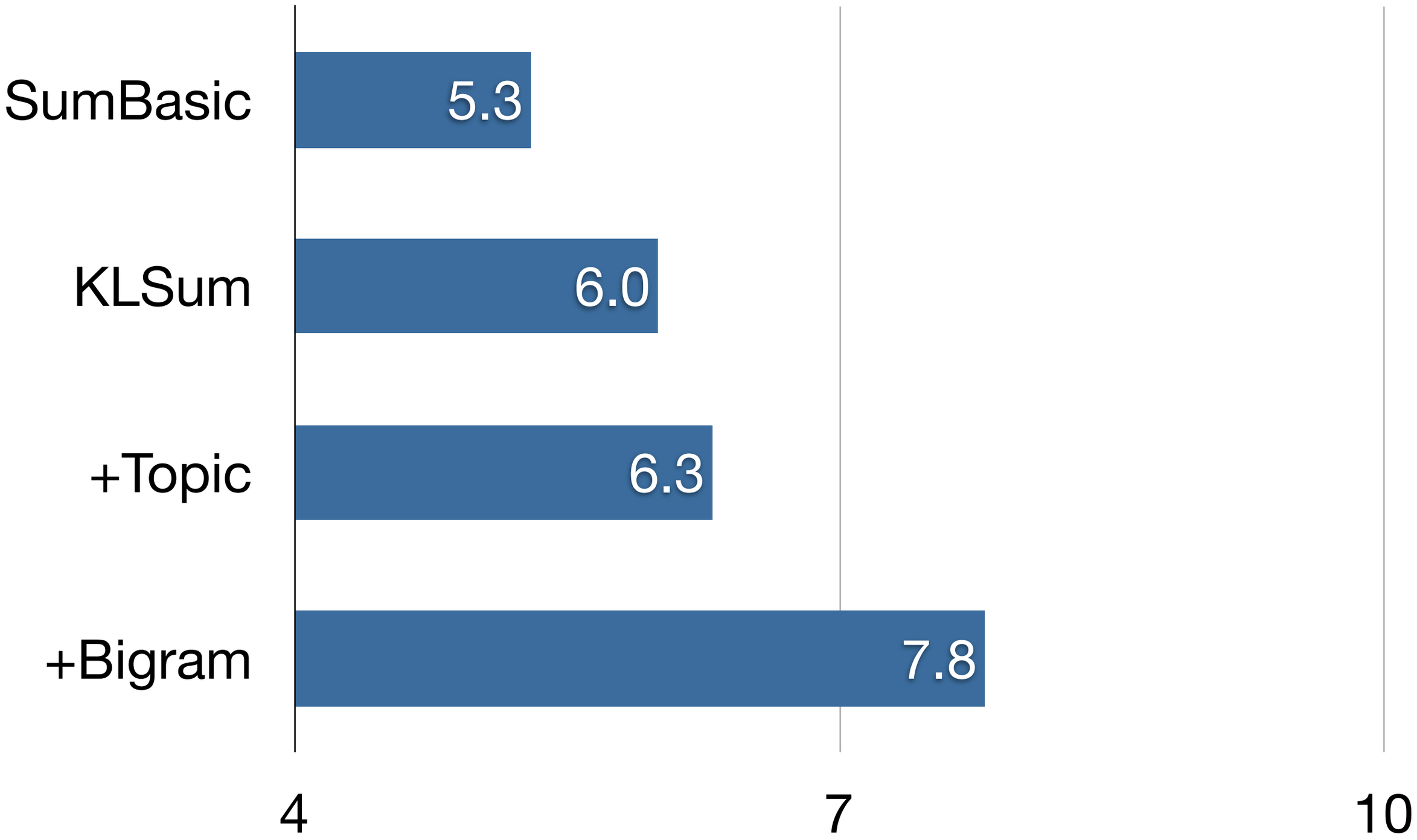

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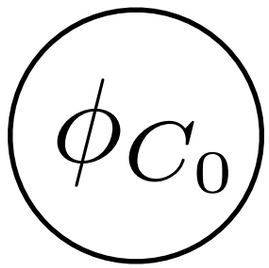

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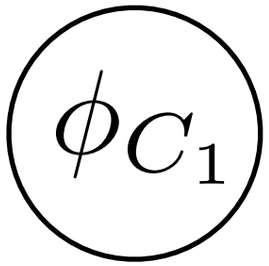

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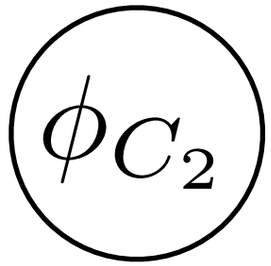

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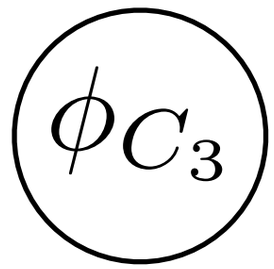

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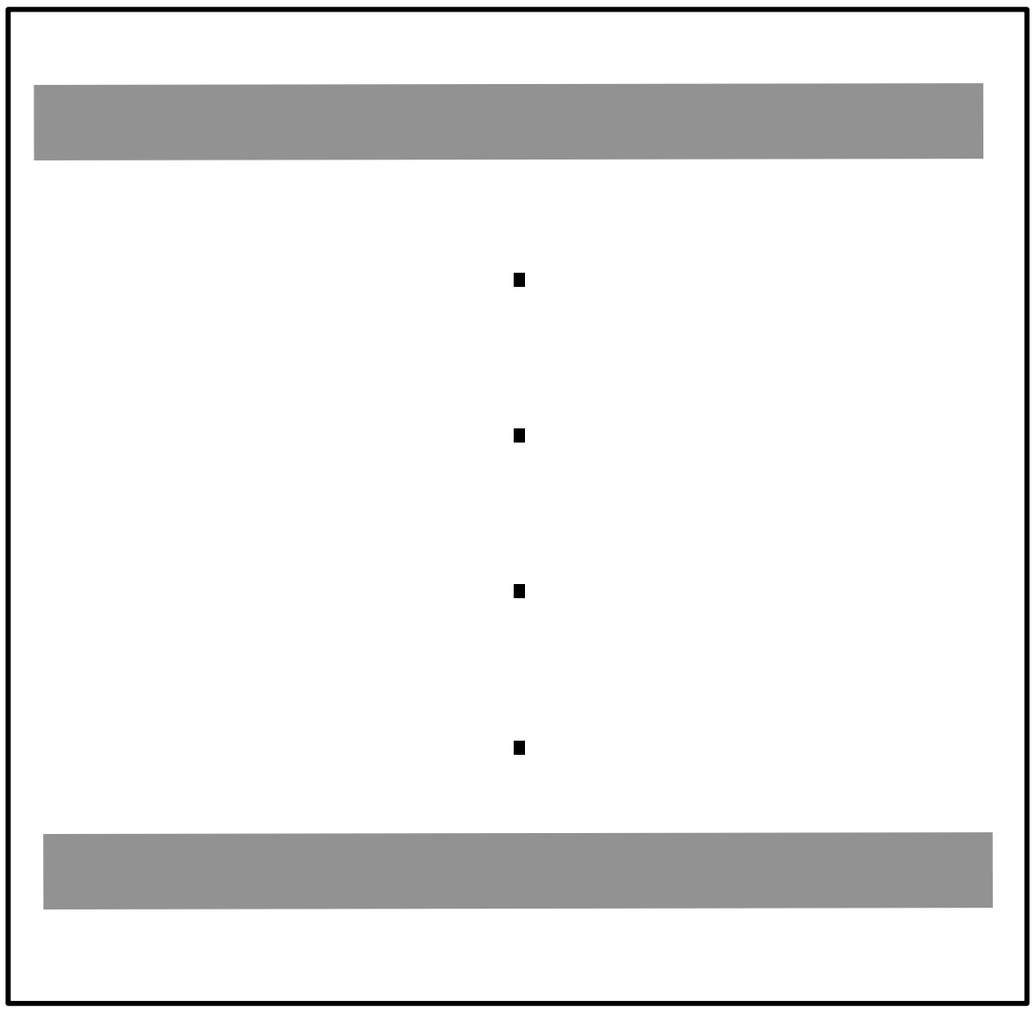

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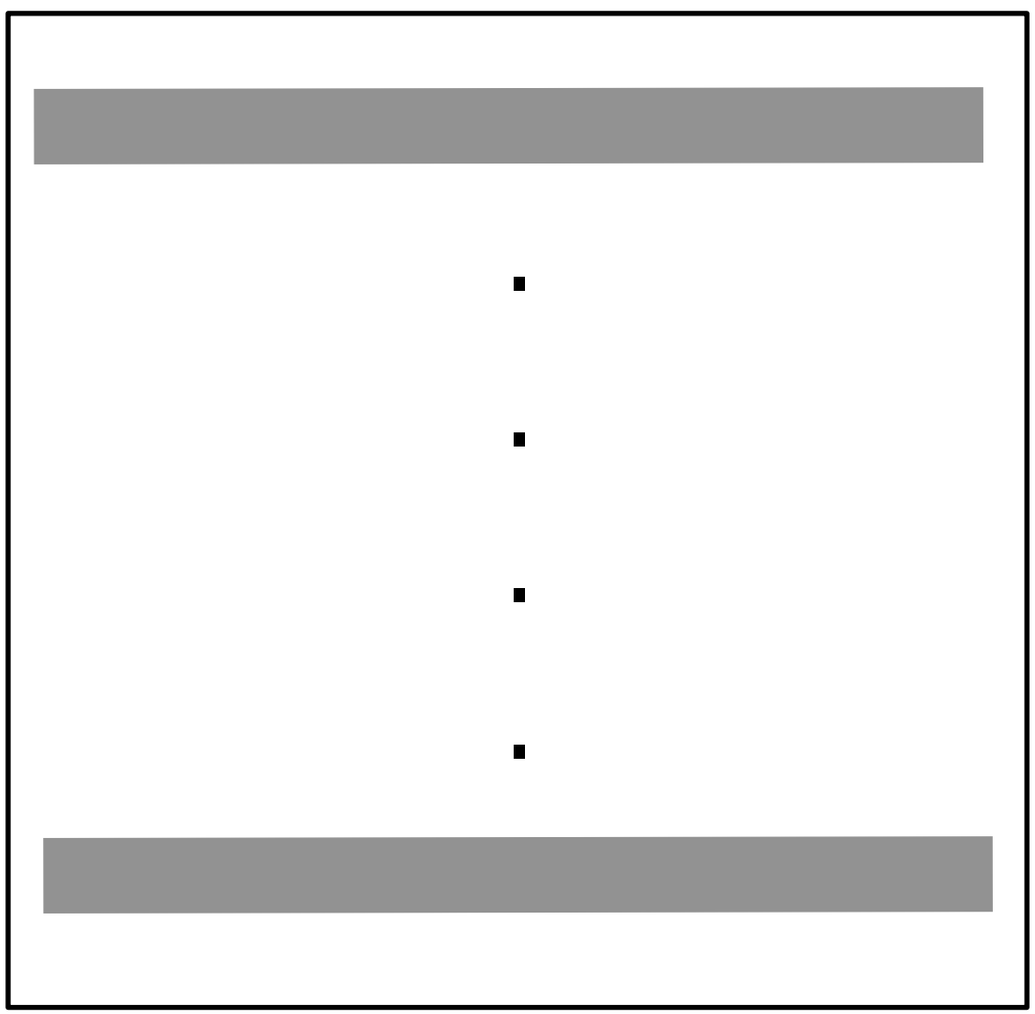

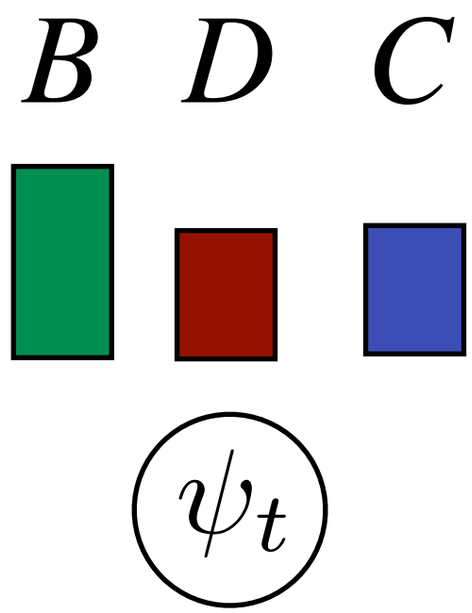

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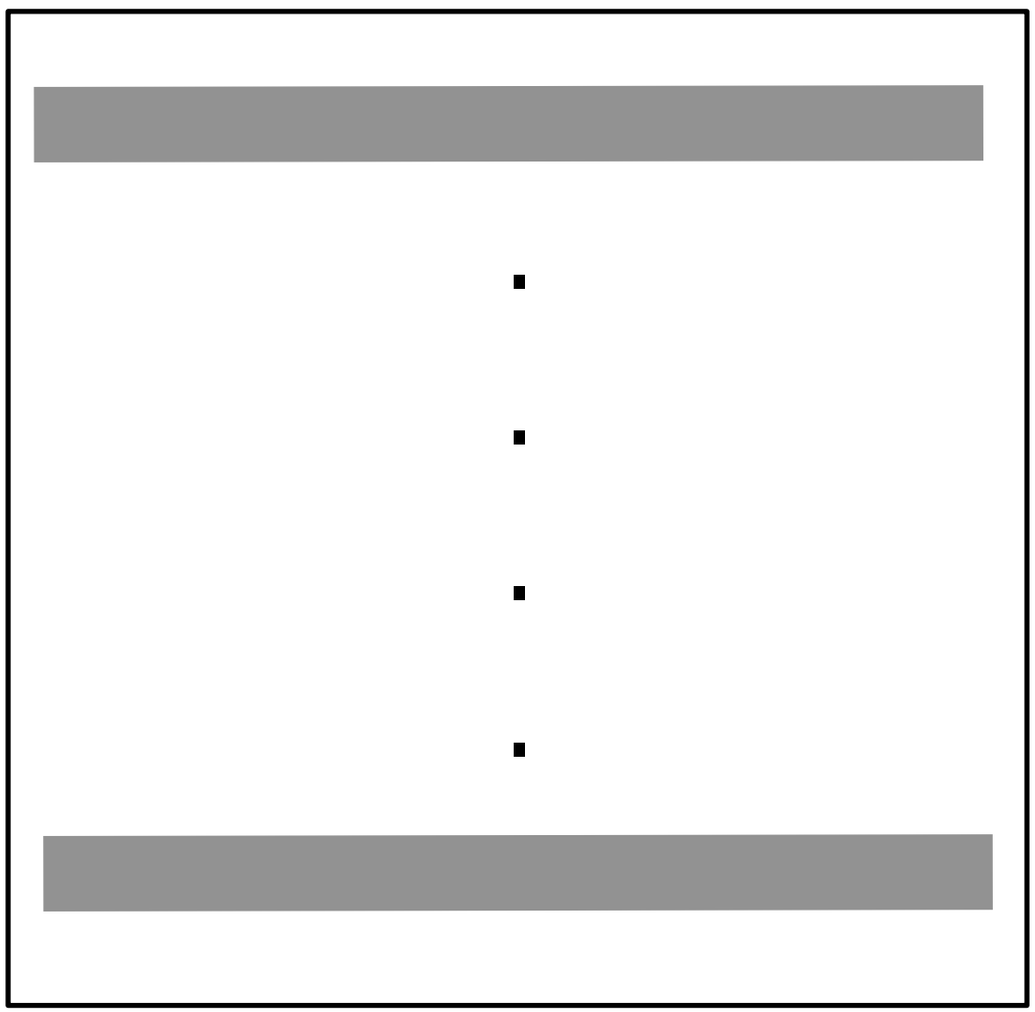

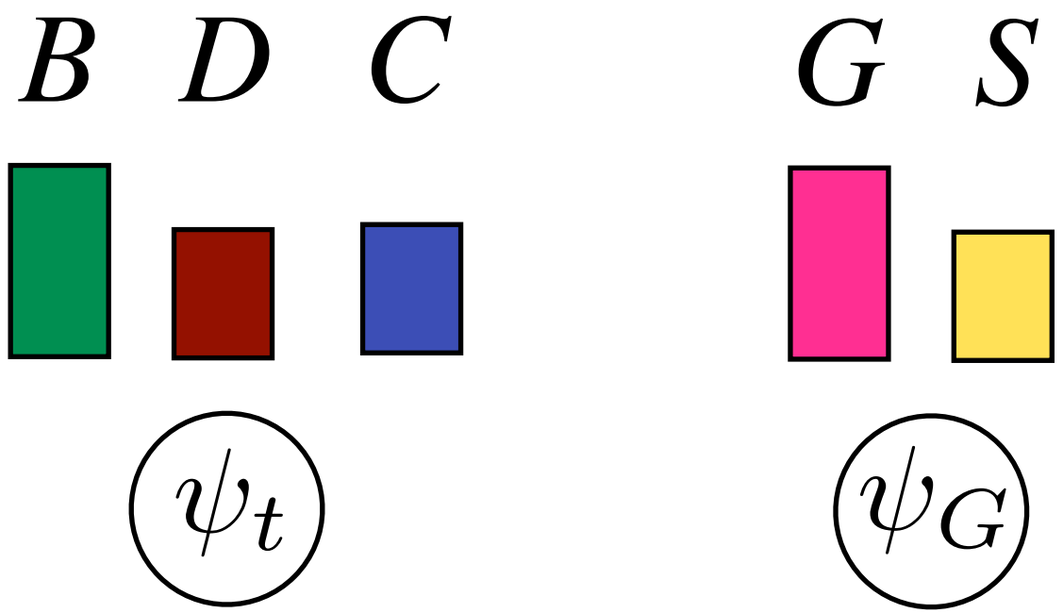

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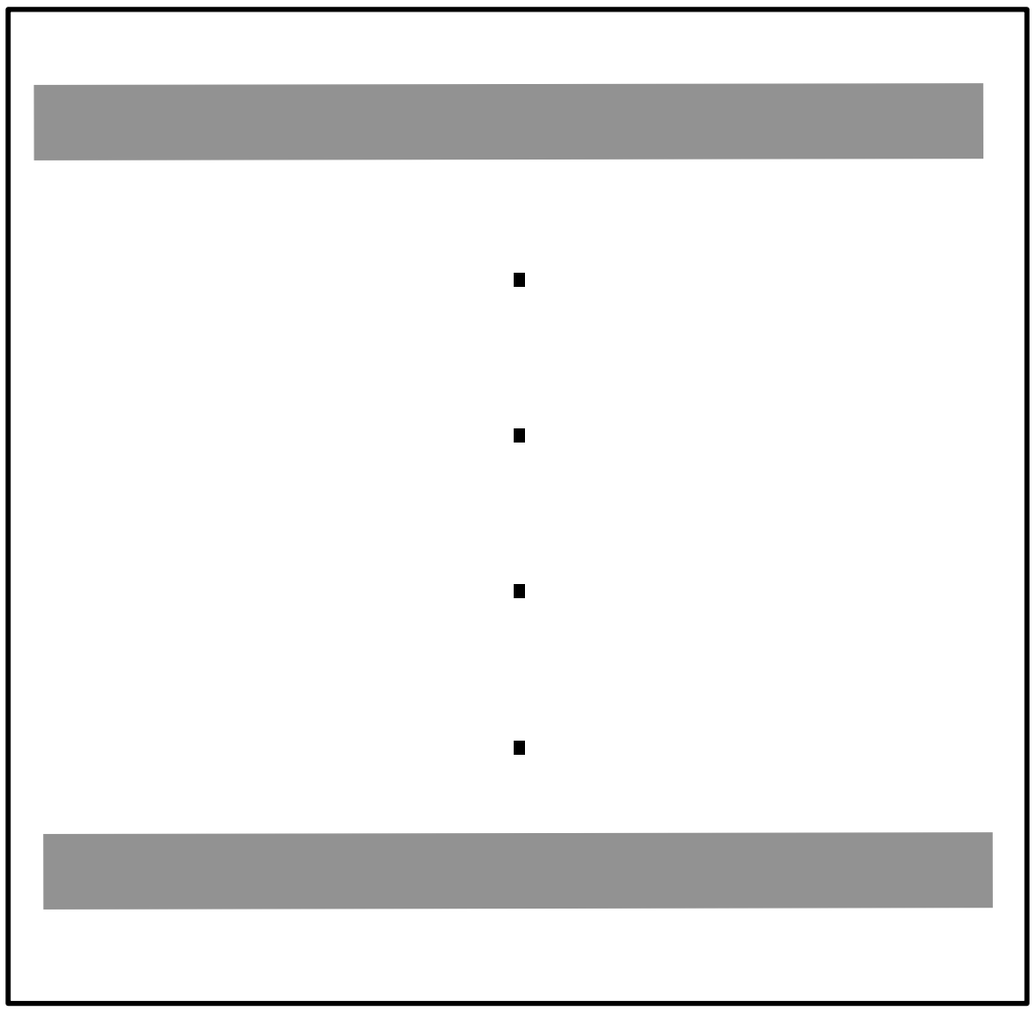

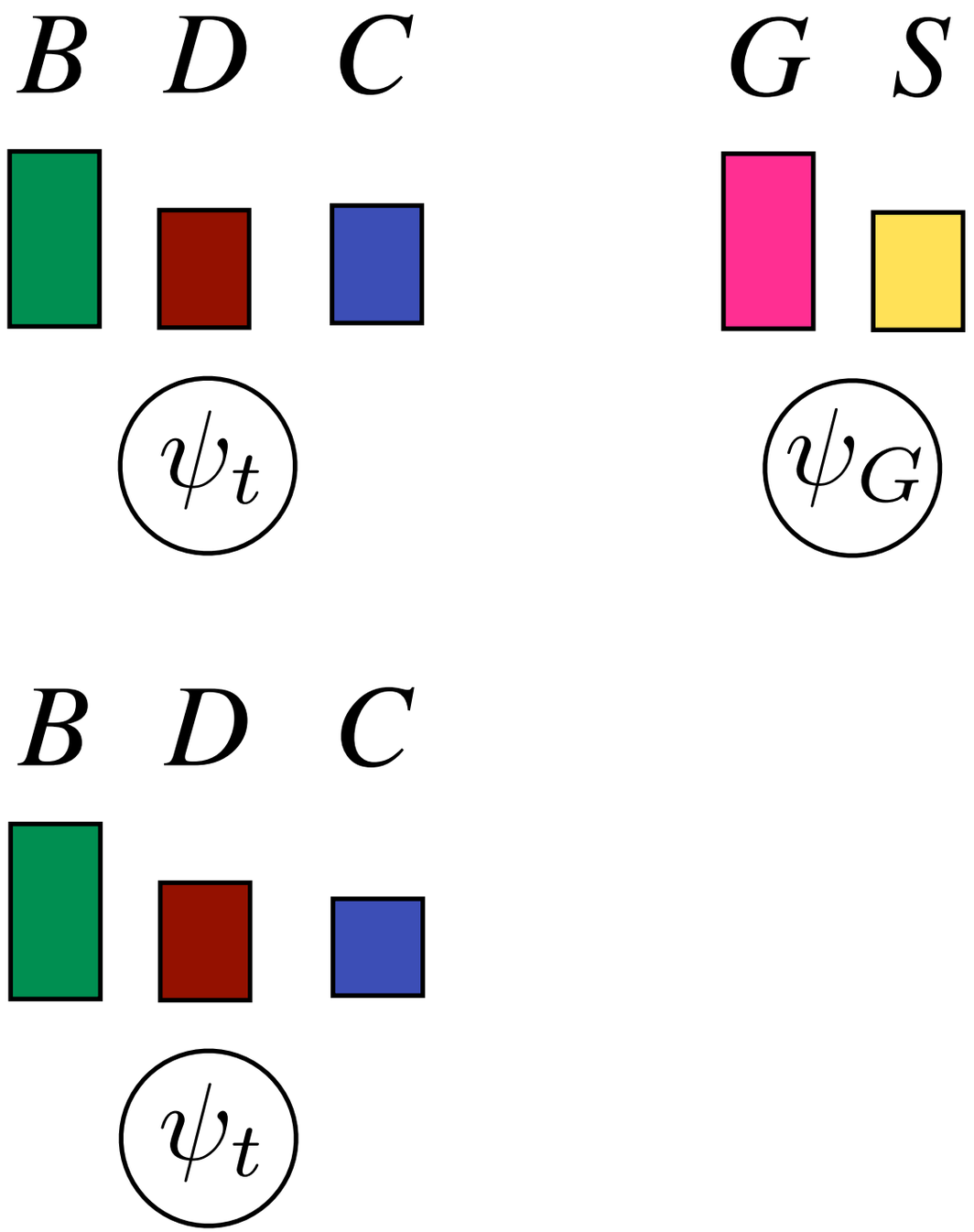

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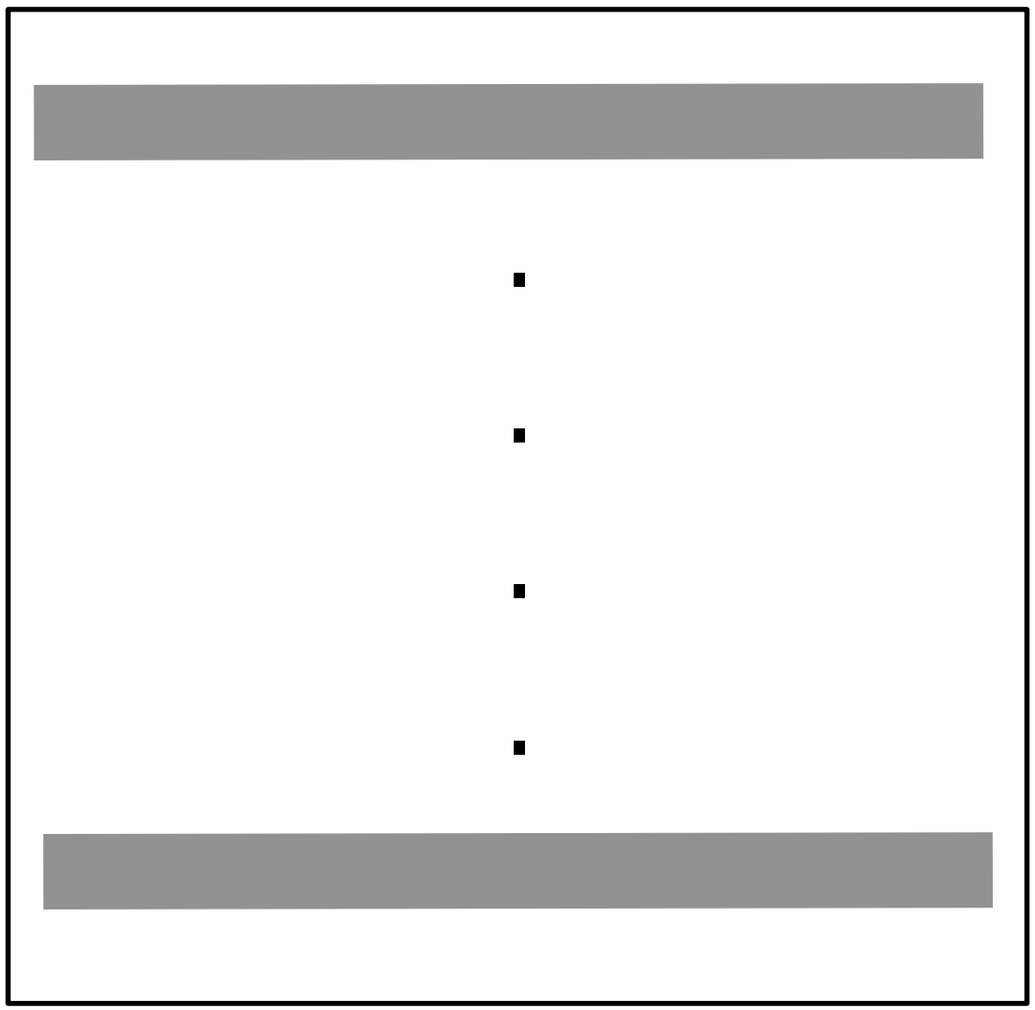

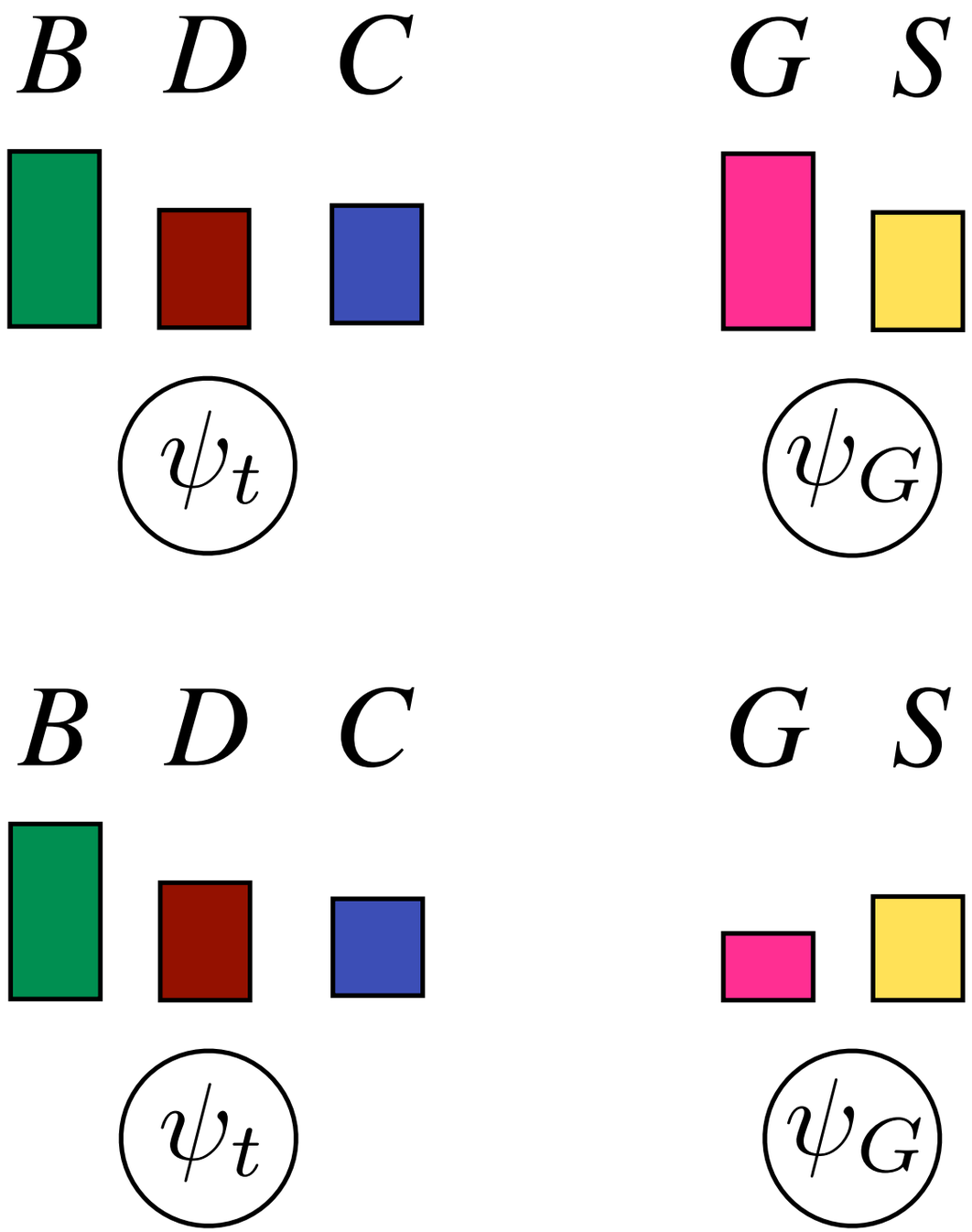

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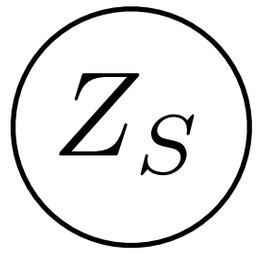

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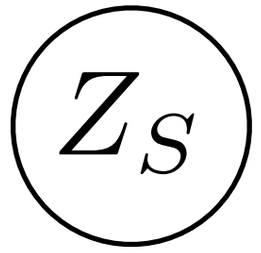

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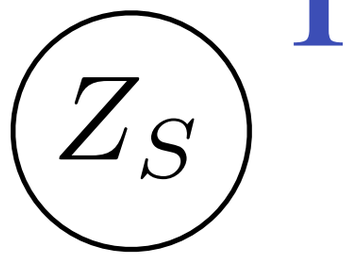

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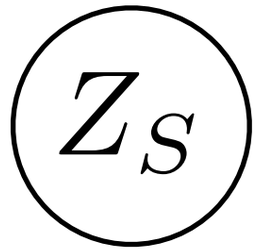

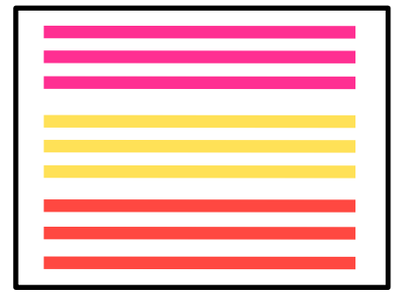

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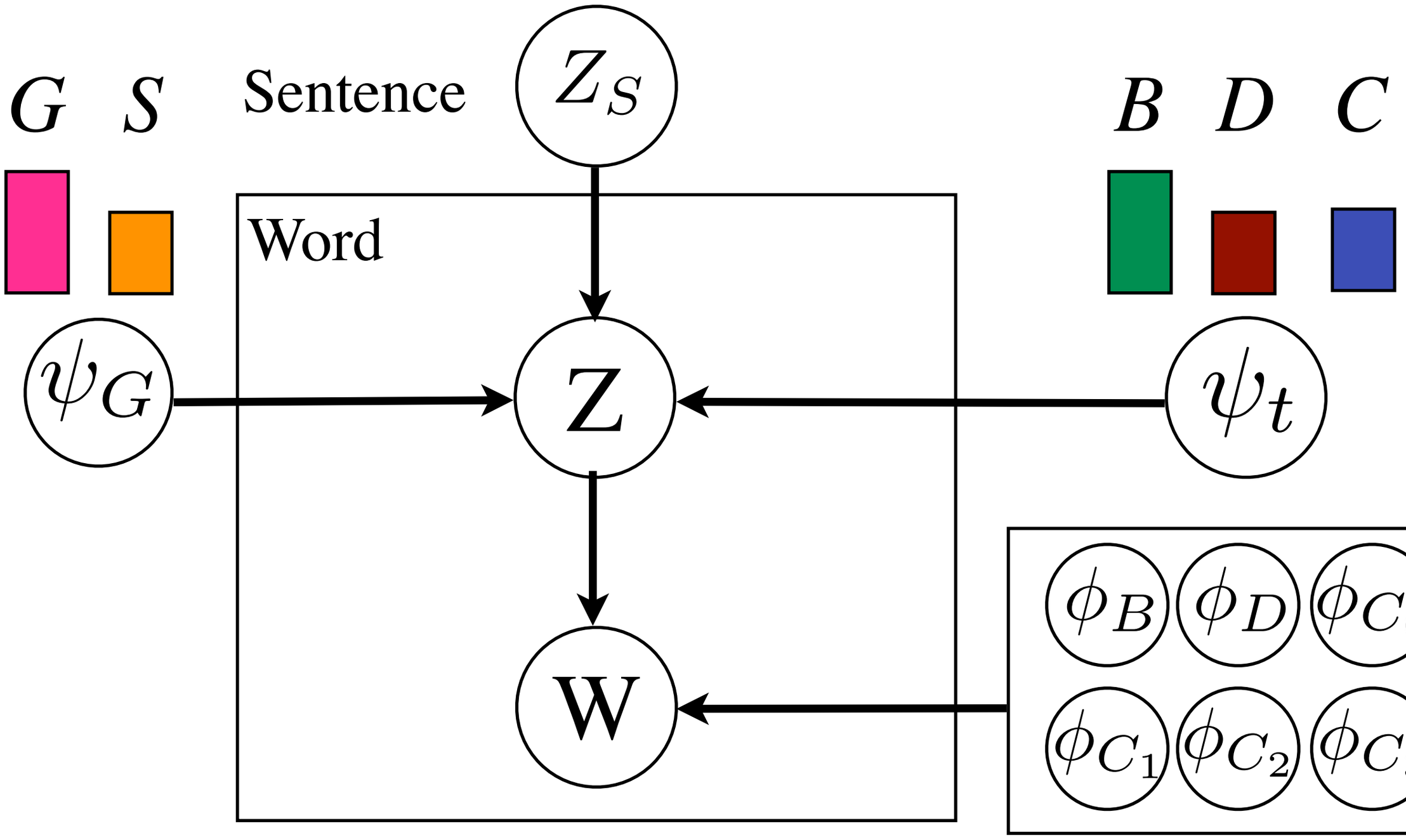

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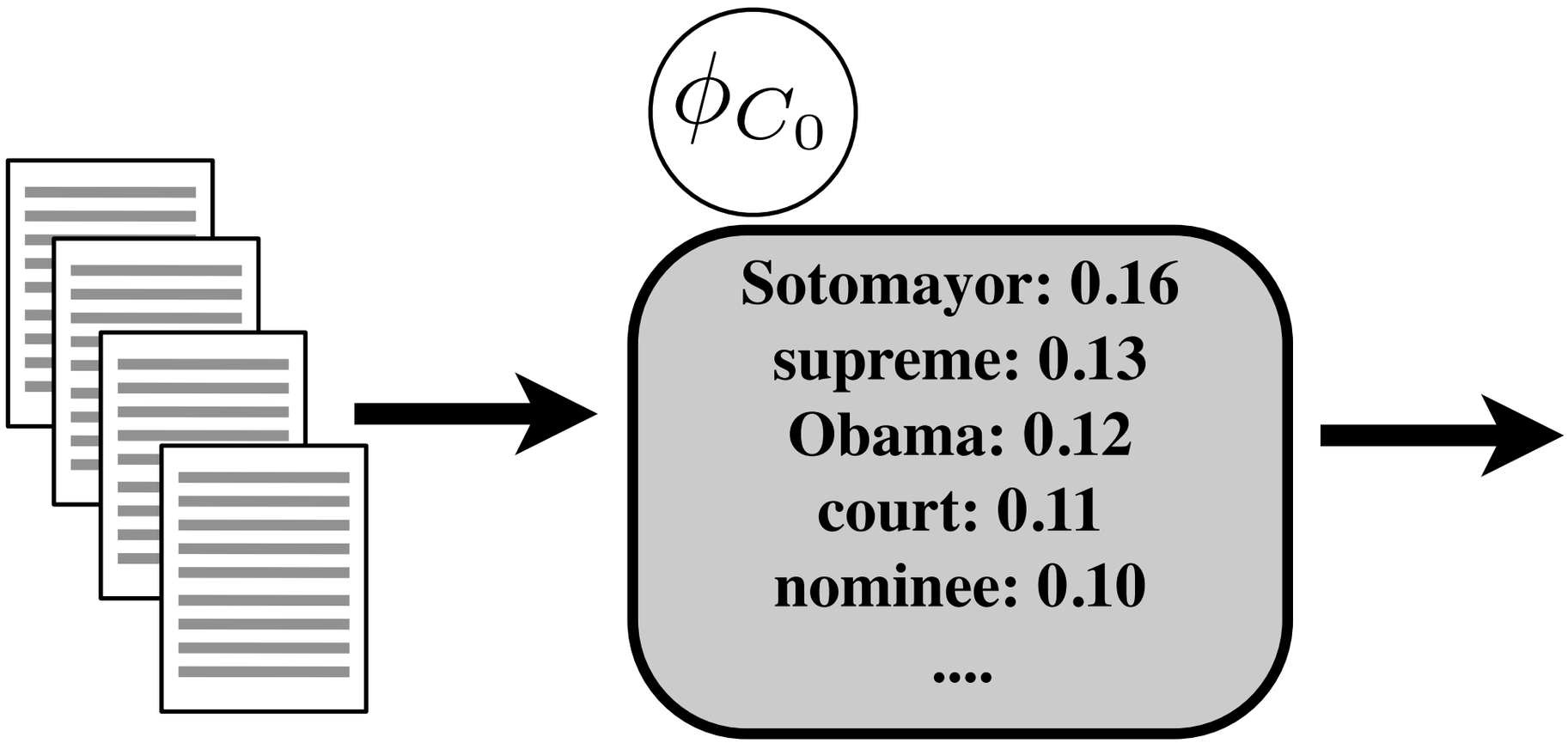

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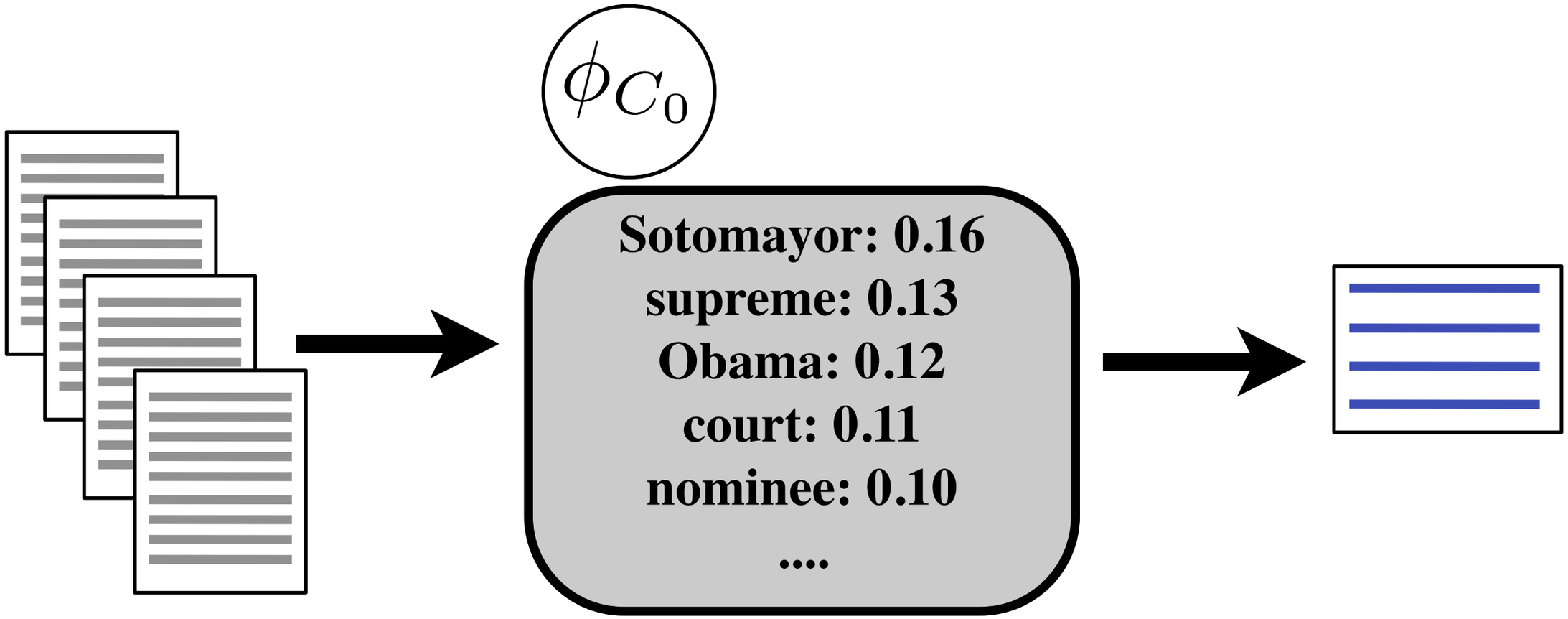

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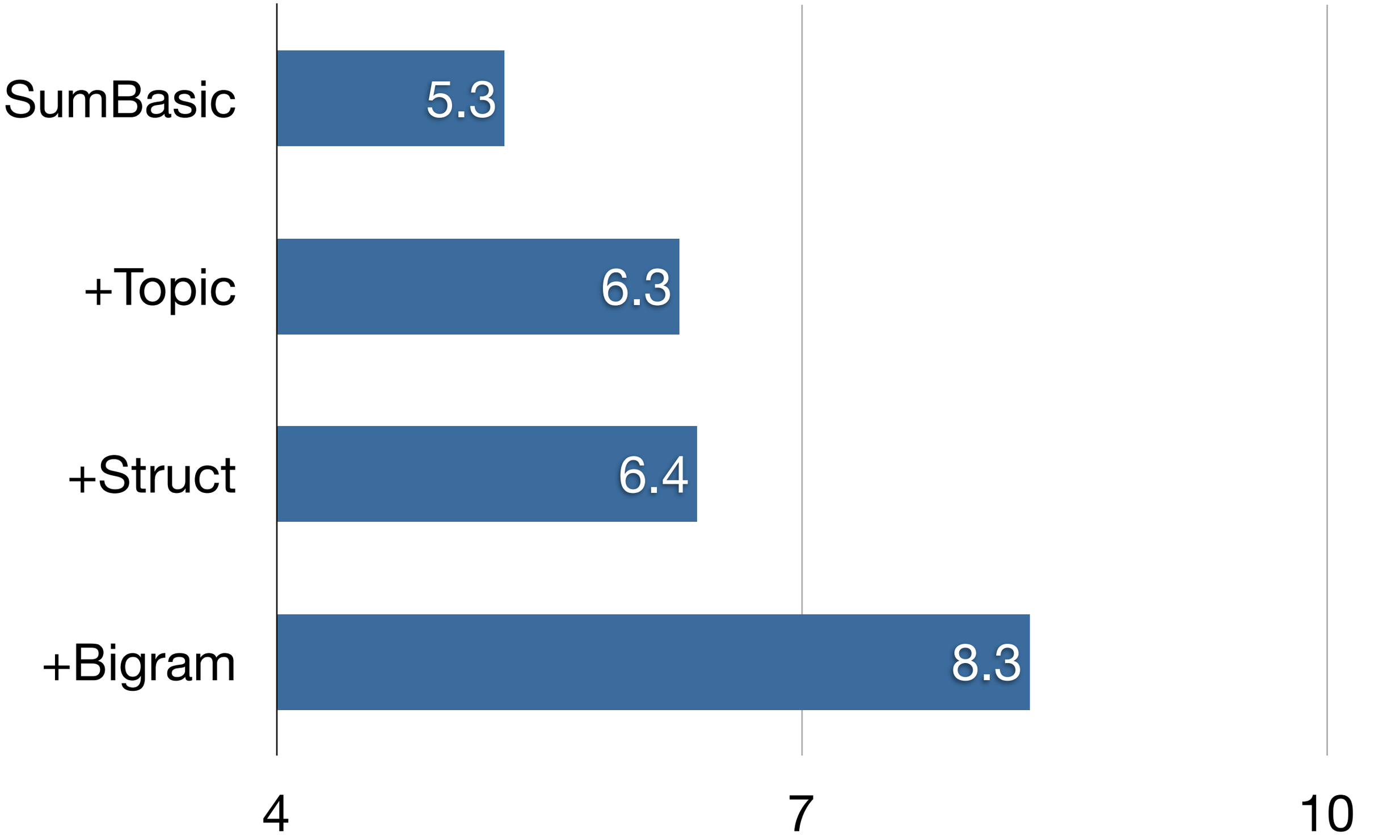

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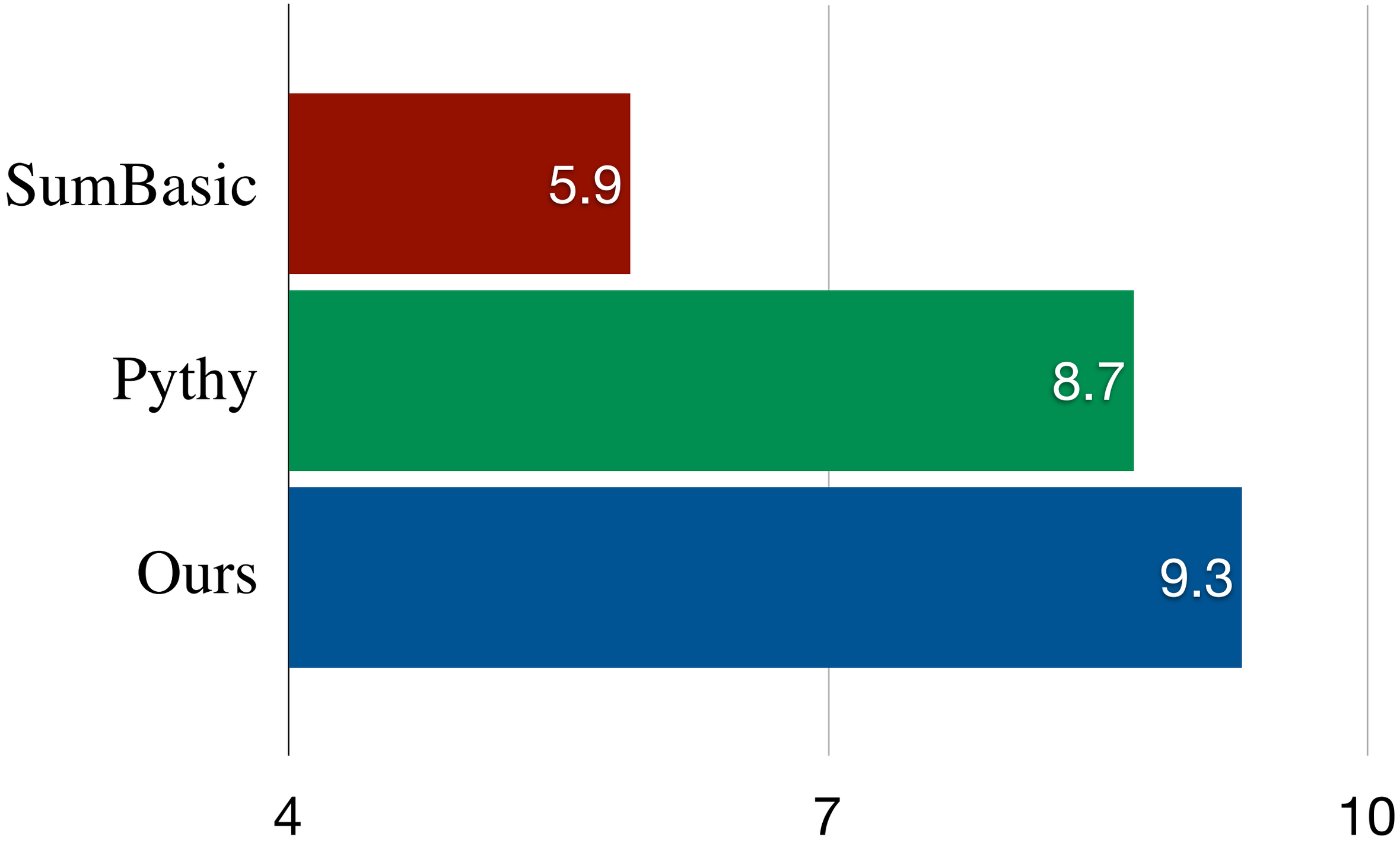

Example General Summary

Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich is asking a judge to force his estranged wife to turn over money he says she is hoarding.

On Thursday, accusations of wrongdoing and the mining of dirt in the former U.S. House speaker's divorce case gave way to a secret settlement between Gingrich and his wife of 18 years, Marianne Gingrich.

Gingrich filed for divorce July 29 amid allegations he is having an affair with 33-year-old congressional aide Callista Bisek.

Newt Gingrich's attorney, Randy Evans, says Marianne Gingrich has refused to even discuss a settlement until she questions Bisek.

Example Topical Summary

Callista Bisek

Marianne Gingrich also wants to depose Callista Bisek, a congressional aide with whom the former U.S. House speaker has a relationship.

And in motions filed last week in Superior Court for the District of Columbia, Callista Bisek, a clerk for the House Agriculture Committee, asked a judge to overturn a Georgia court order requiring her to answer questions about her relationship with Gingrich.

Mayoue has said he intends to question Bisek about all aspects of her relationship with Newt Gingrich.

Example Topical Summary

Gingrich Bio / Post-Speaker Life

Gingrich is best known leading the Republican Party's takeover of the House in 1994. During that so-called Republican Revolution, Gingrich emphasized that "family values" should be a core pillar in American society.

Since resigning as speaker and from the congressional seat he held for 20 years, Gingrich has been making a living giving speeches, sitting on corporate boards, consulting and appearing as a political analyst on Fox News.

U.S. Rep. J.D. Hayworth (R-Ariz.) argued that Gingrich's new job as a political commentator for Fox News makes it inappropriate to include him in political gatherings. "Time marches on. He's gone on to other pursuits," Hayworth said.

Conclusion

- KL objective for sentence extraction summarization
- Topic models can yield state-of-the-art automatic and manual summary eval
- Also structured content models for topical summarization

Thanks!

Questions?

If not, I have more examples.....

Topical Summarization

News · Web, Images, Video, Maps, More ▾

Topic: Sandra Herold, Charla Nash, Lyme Disease, Drug Xanax

Slain chimp's owner now says it wasn't on Xanax

STAMFORD, Conn. - As authorities considered criminal charges, the woman whose 200-pound domesticated chimpanzee went berserk and mauled a friend backtracked Wednesday on whether she gave the animal the anti-anxiety drug Xanax.

»

Jackson Sun · 5 hours ago

Click2Houston.com

Owner of chimp that went on Conn. rampage changes story, says she never gave animal Xanax

Sandra Herold told The Associated Press on Wednesday that she never gave the drug to her 14-year-old chimp, Travis, who was shot dead by Stamford police Monday after he grievously wounded Herold's friend Charla Nash.

»

Grand Forks Herald · 7 hours ago

Daily Mail

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In humans, Xanax can lead to aggression in people who are unstable to begin with, said Dr. Emil Coccaro, chief of psychiatry at the University of Chicago Medical Center.

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Grand Forks Herald · 4 hours ago

Daily Mail

Refine by topic

Sandra Herold, Charla Nash, Lyme Disease, Drug Xanax

Don Mecca, Ice Cream, Years Ago, Started Roaming

Old Navy, Stamford Police, Frantic Owner, Hand Specialists

Critical Condition, Frantically Stabbed, Monday Afternoon, Officer Inside

Topical Summarization

Articles:

Words: South Ossetia Dmitry Medvedev Russian Troops United States

Kosovo comes back to bite the US

Ten days ago, a full-scale war broke out when Russian and Georgian forces clashed over the breakaway Georgian region of South Ossetia.

»

Russia will occupy buffer zone in Georgian territory

Anatoly Nogovitsyn, deputy chief of the Russian military's general staff, said a battalion of about 270 soldiers would occupy a swath of Georgian territory around the enclaves of Abkhazia and South Ossetia after the withdrawal of troops from central Georgia.

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