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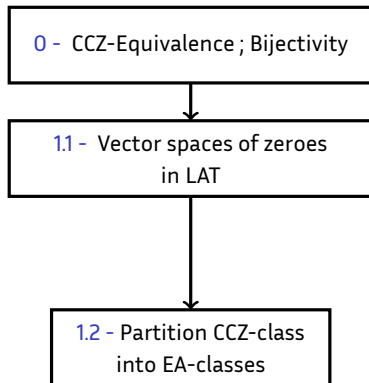
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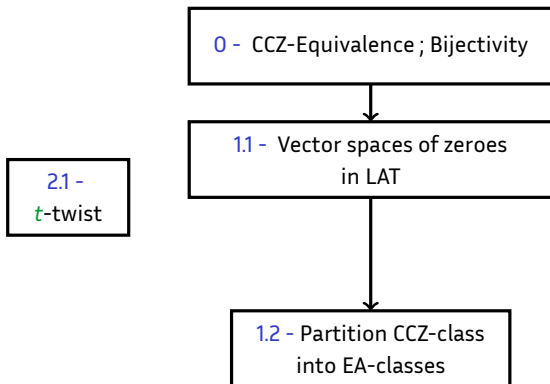


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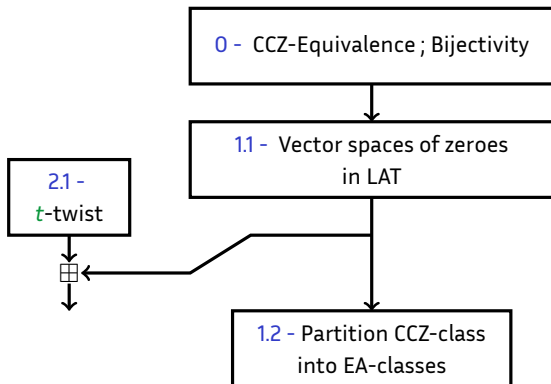
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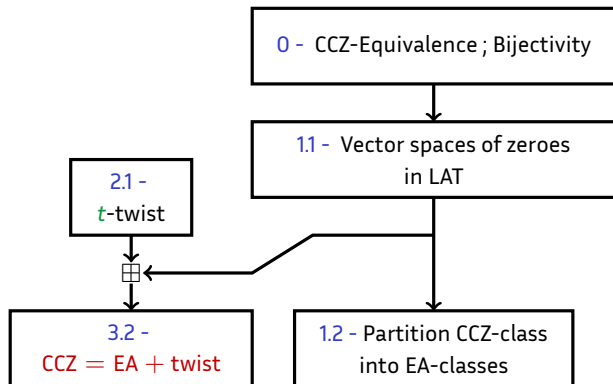
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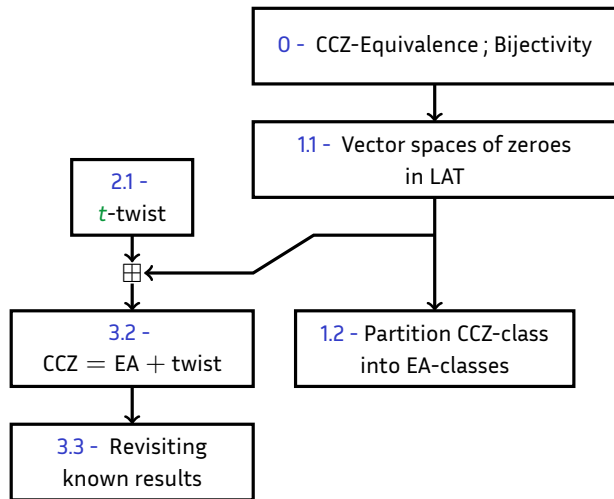
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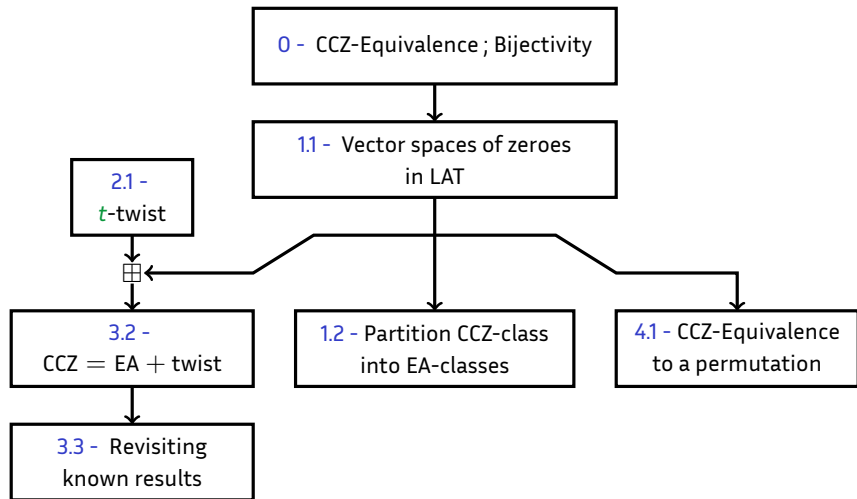
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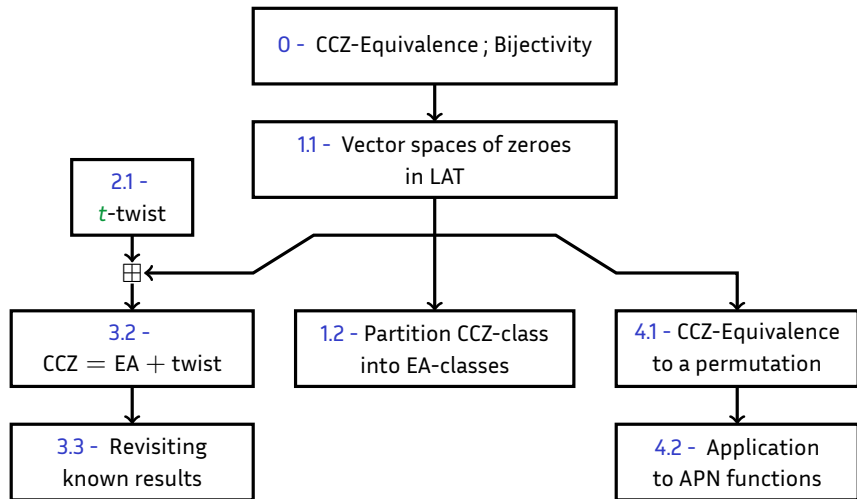
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Let $L : \mathbb{F}_2^{n+m} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2^{n+m}$ be a linear permutation. It is admissible for $F : \mathbb{F}_2^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_2^m$ if and only if

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Permutations

We define

$$\mathcal{V}^\perp = \{(0, y), \forall y \in \mathbb{F}_2^m\} \subset \mathbb{F}_2^{n+m}.$$

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Reality takes it back...

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Examples

- For an involution, M_n is a CCZ-invariant.
- For a quadratic function q , there are CCZ-invariants with the following linear parts:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I_n & 0 \\ \Delta_{\alpha} q & I_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

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If $c_F = 1$, then we do have a bijection between EA-classes and vector spaces of 0 of dimension n in \mathcal{Z}_F .

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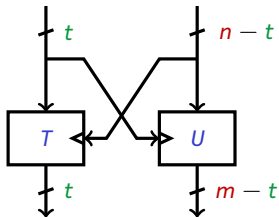
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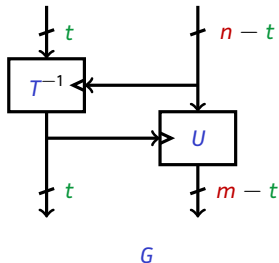
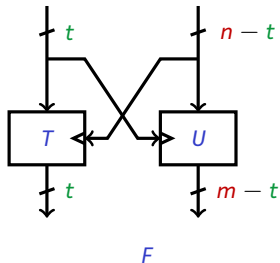
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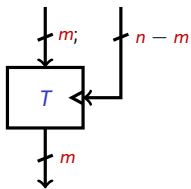
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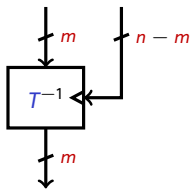
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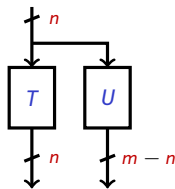
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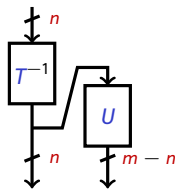
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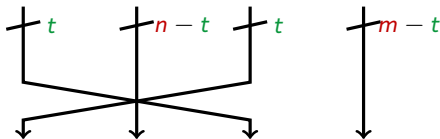
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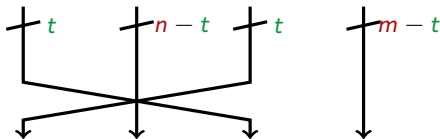


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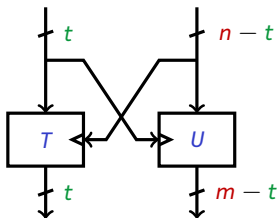
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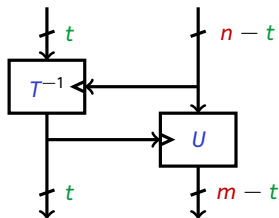
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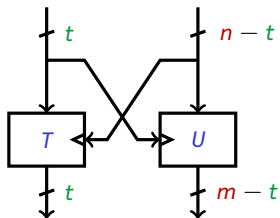
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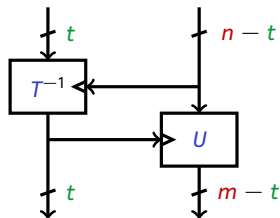
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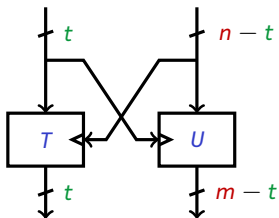


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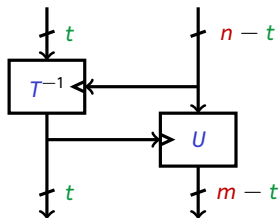


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n	cardinal proj.	time proj. (s)	time BasesExtraction (s)
12	1365	0.066	0.0012
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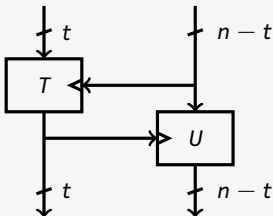
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