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By Gamlen-Gaudet construction  $(\mathcal{B}_I)$  and a random choice of signs  $\varepsilon_I$  there exists a block basis  $b_I^{(\varepsilon)} = \sum_{K \in \mathcal{B}_I} \varepsilon_K h_K$  of the Haar system such that

$$Tb_I^{(\varepsilon)} = \alpha_I b_I^{(\varepsilon)} + \text{small error}, \quad \alpha_I \geq \delta.$$

The orthogonal projection  $Qf = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{D}} \frac{\langle f, b_I^{(\varepsilon)} \rangle}{\|b_I^{(\varepsilon)}\|_2} b_I^{(\varepsilon)}$  is bounded on  $H^p$  (Gamlen-Gaudet).

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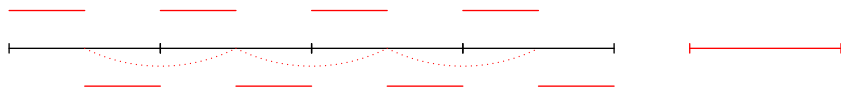
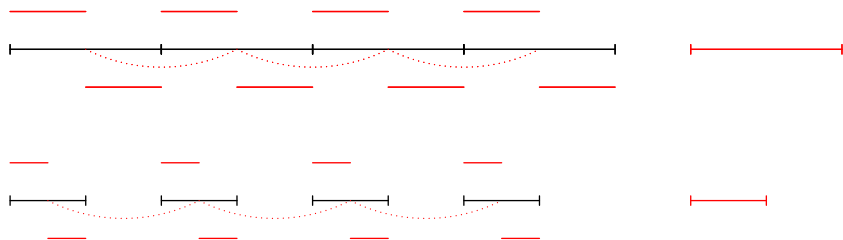


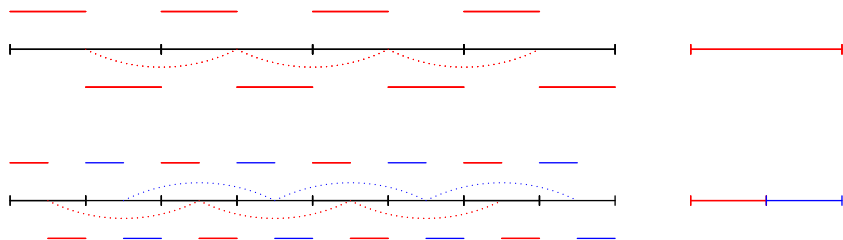
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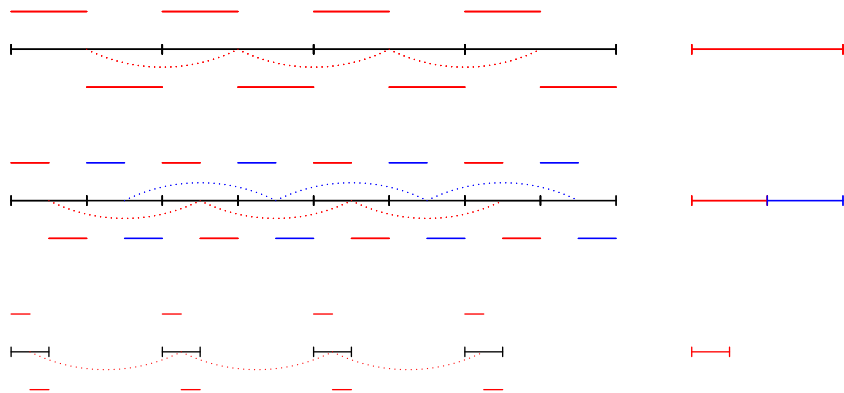
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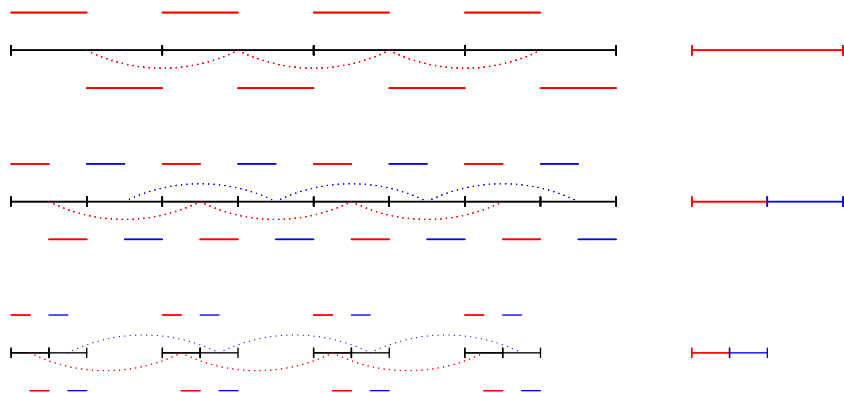
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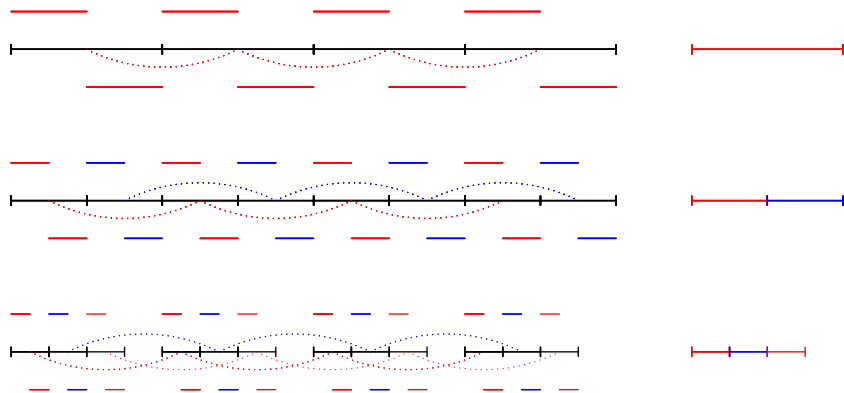


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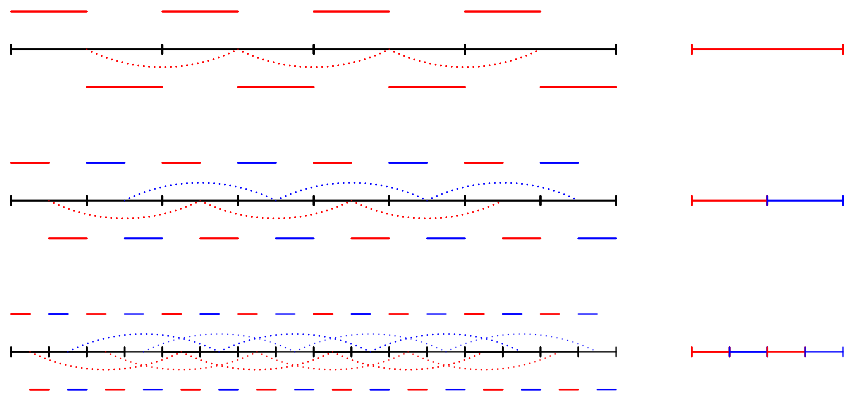


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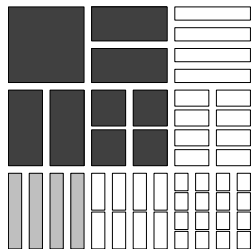
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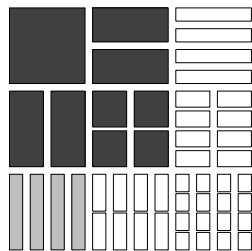
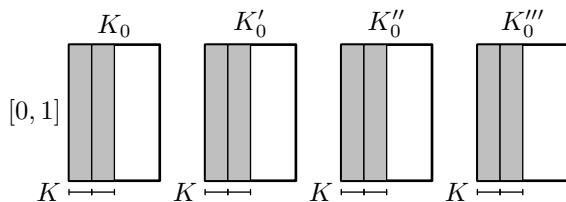
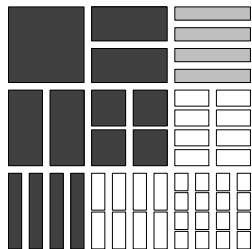


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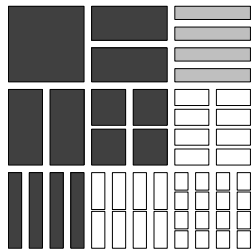
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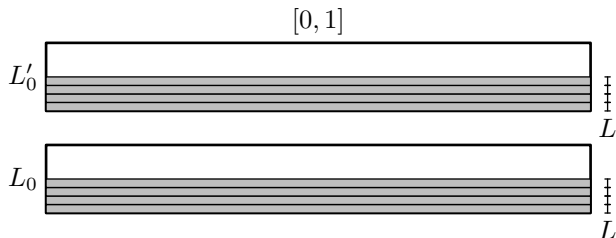
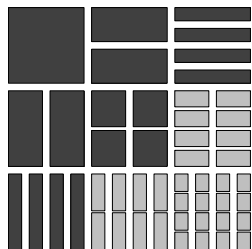


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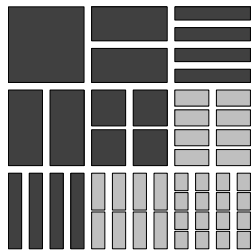
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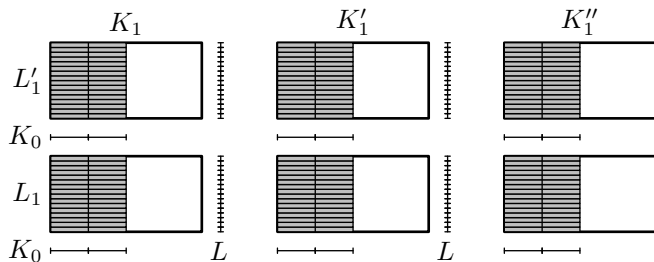
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