

Channel Manipulation as a Coding Technique

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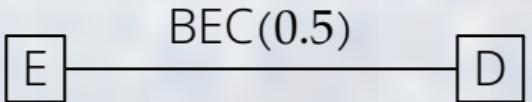


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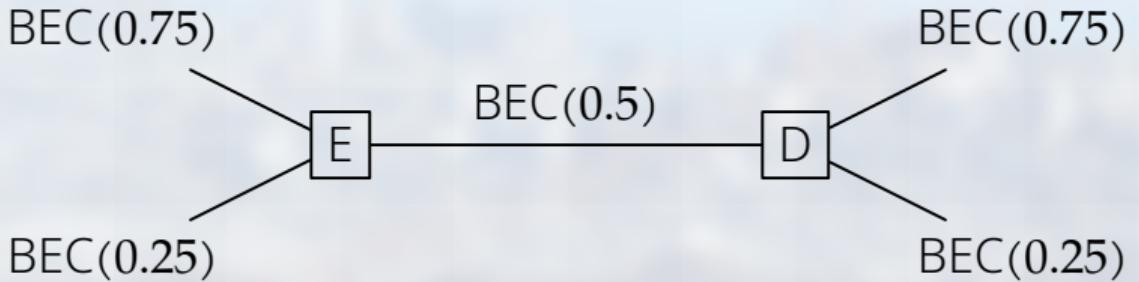


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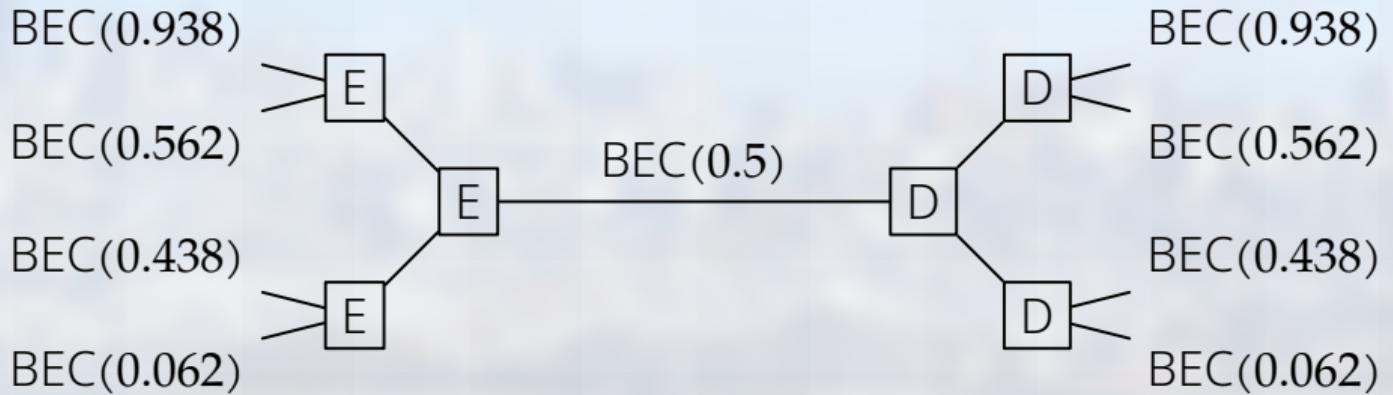
Polar Codes



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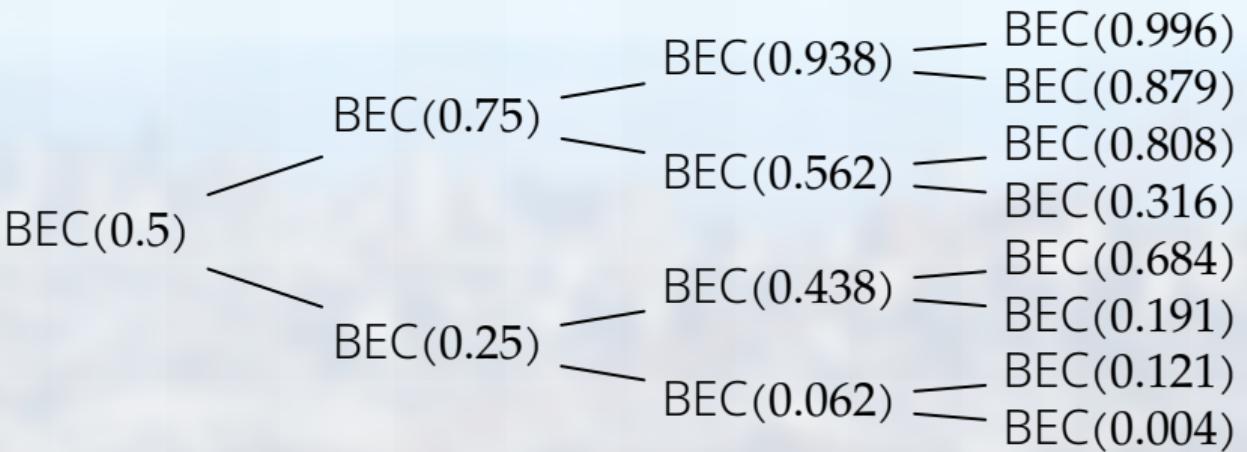
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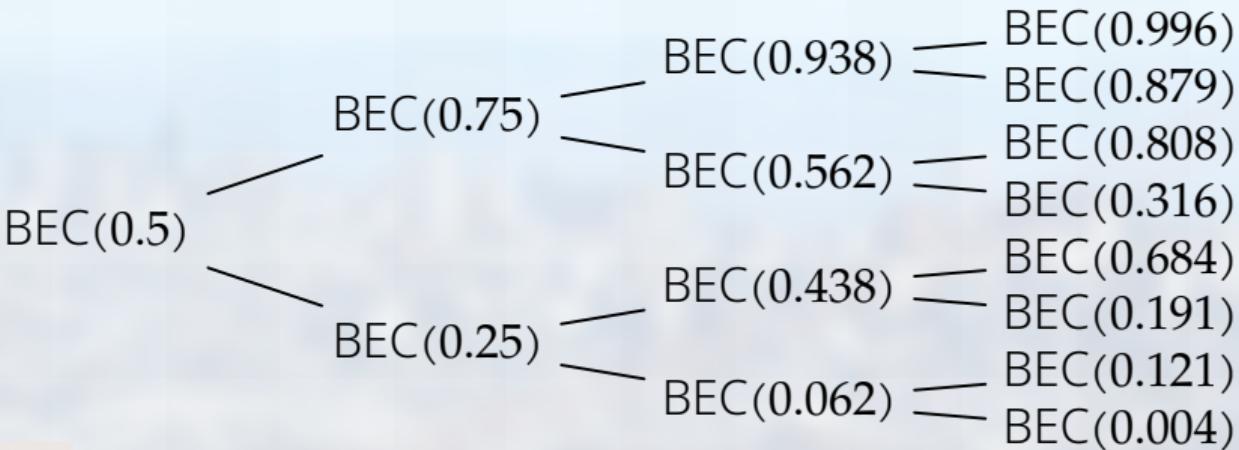
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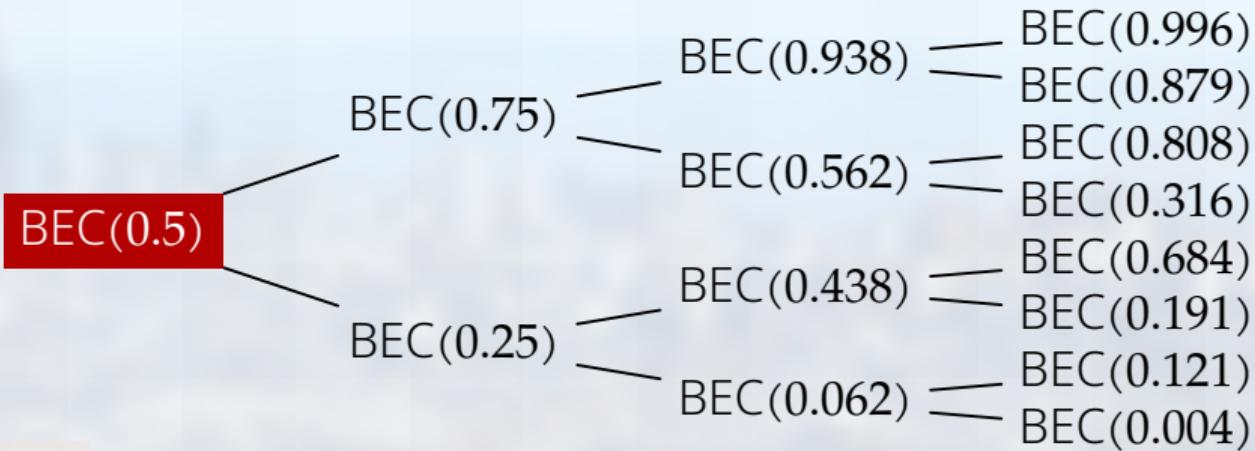


This is a tree



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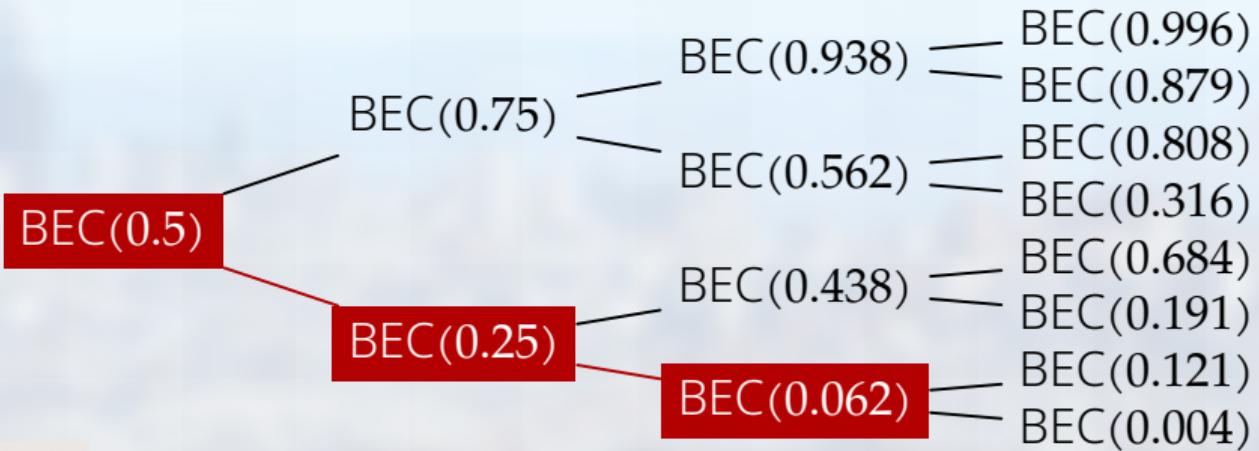
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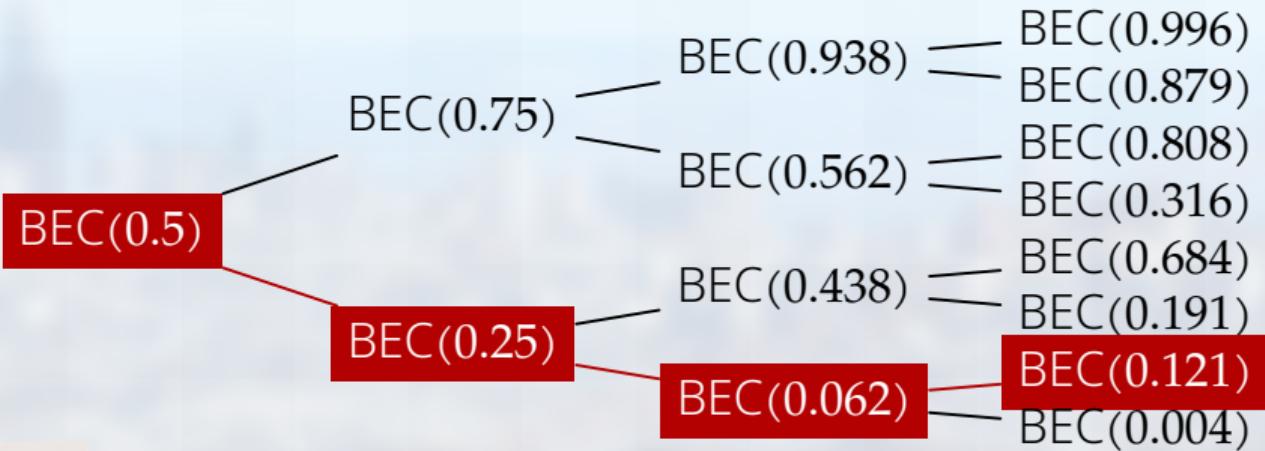
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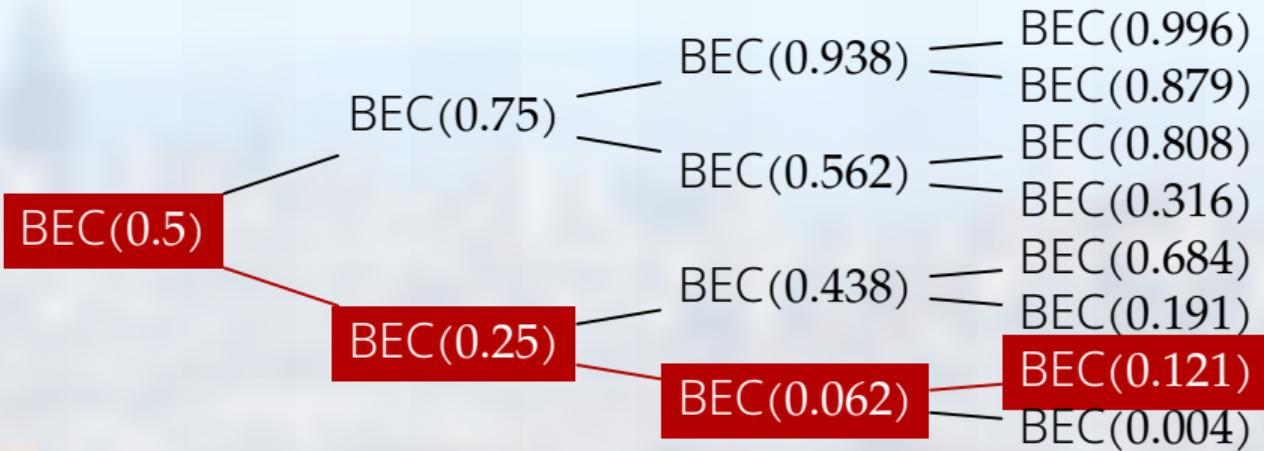
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:Study martingale to study code

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$$\text{Prob}\{4^{-n} < M_n < 1 - 4^{-n}\} < \varepsilon$$

implies code rate

$(1/2 - \varepsilon)N$ bits / N channel uses.

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2015 Guruswami-Xia 

2012 Goli-Hassani-Urbanke 

2014 Hassani-Alishahi-Urbanke 

2014 Goldin-Burshtein 

2016 Mondelli-Hassani-Urbanke 

2022 Lin-Vardy-Gabrys 



Improve ρ over BEC: 0

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2010 Hassani–Alishahi–Urbanke 2×2



2010 Korada–Montanari–Telatar–Urbanke 2×2



2014 Fazeli–Vardy 8×8



2021 Trofimiuk–Trifonov 16×16



2022 Duursma–Gabrys–Guruswami–Lin– $2 \times 2/F_4$



2021 Trofimiuk 24×24



2021 Yao–Fazeli–Vardy 32×32



2021 Yao–Fazeli–Vardy 64×64



1/2

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2019 Pfister–Urbanke
 q -ary erasure channel, $q \rightarrow \infty$

2021 Fazeli–Hassani–Mondelli–Vardy
binary erasure channel

2022 Guruswami–Riazanov–Ye
binary symmetric memoryless channel

2021  –Duursma
discrete memoryless channel

2011 Alamdar-Yazdi-Kschischang:
Prune the tree to reduce complexity.

2017 El-Khamy-Mahdavifar-Feygin-Lee-Kang:
Pruning reduces complexity by a scalar; still $O(N \log N)$.



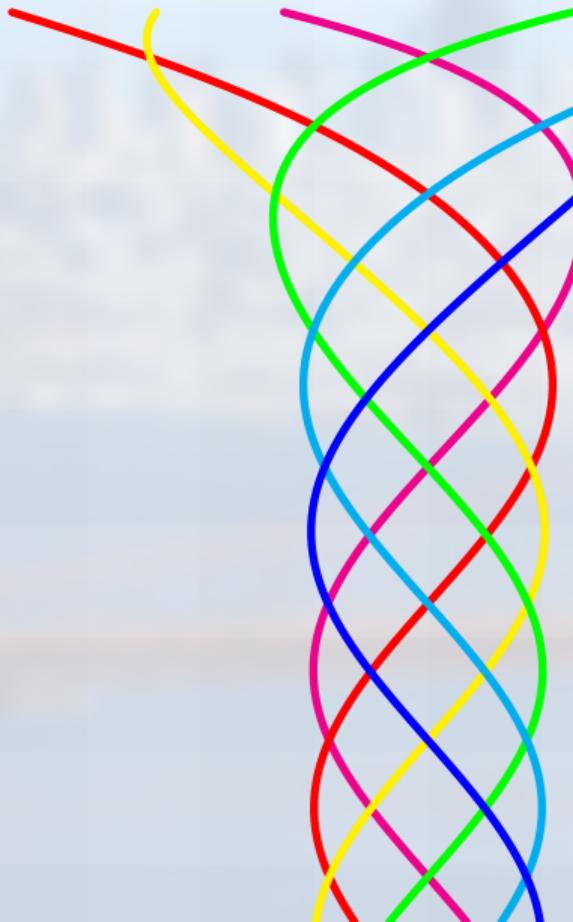
2021 -Duursma: $O(N \log \log N)$
Trade-off: complexity $\approx O(N \log(-\log(\text{decode error})))$.

2021 Mondelli-Hashemi-Cioffi-Goldsmith,
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Study parallelism vs latency.

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Polar achieves the capacity of



Asymmetric channel

Multiple access channel

Lossless compression

Lossy compression

Slepian-Wolf

Lossless compression w/ helper

Wiretap channel (degradation)

Deletion channel ... (good error prob)

Broadcast channel ... (good error prob)

Channel with memory ... (good error prob)

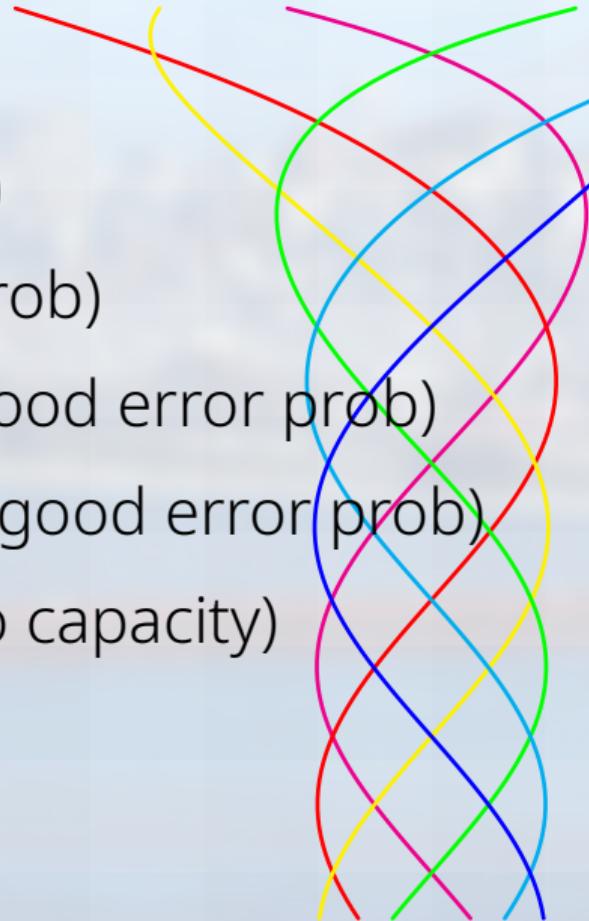
Wiretap channel (no degradation) ... (good error prob)

Hidden Markov chain channel state ... (good error prob)

Non-stationary channel ... (good gap to capacity)

Classical-Quantum channel ... (yes)

Quantum-Quantum channel ... (?)

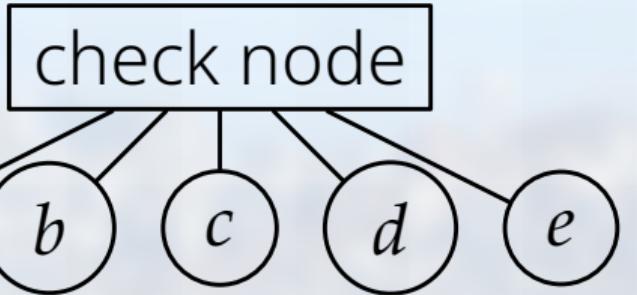


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	9	8				6	
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Wikipedia

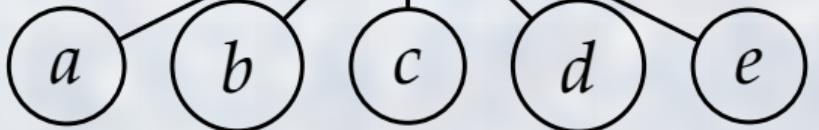
Low-Density Parity-Check (LDPC) Codes

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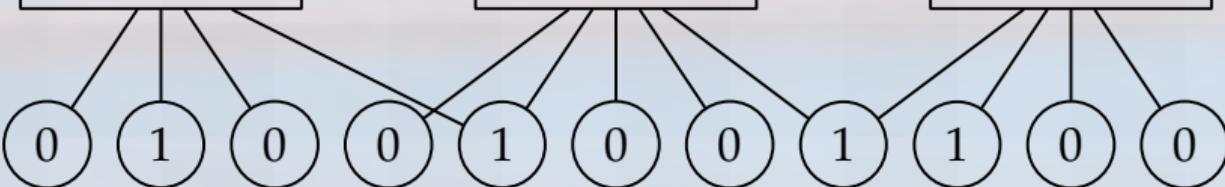
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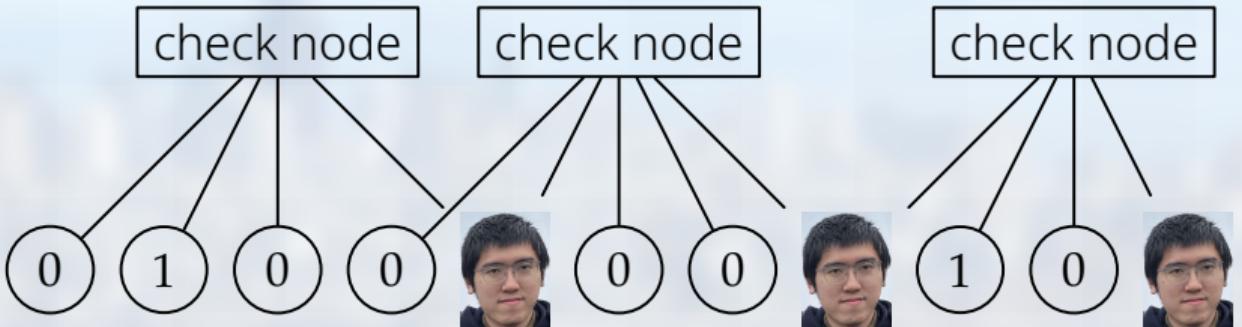


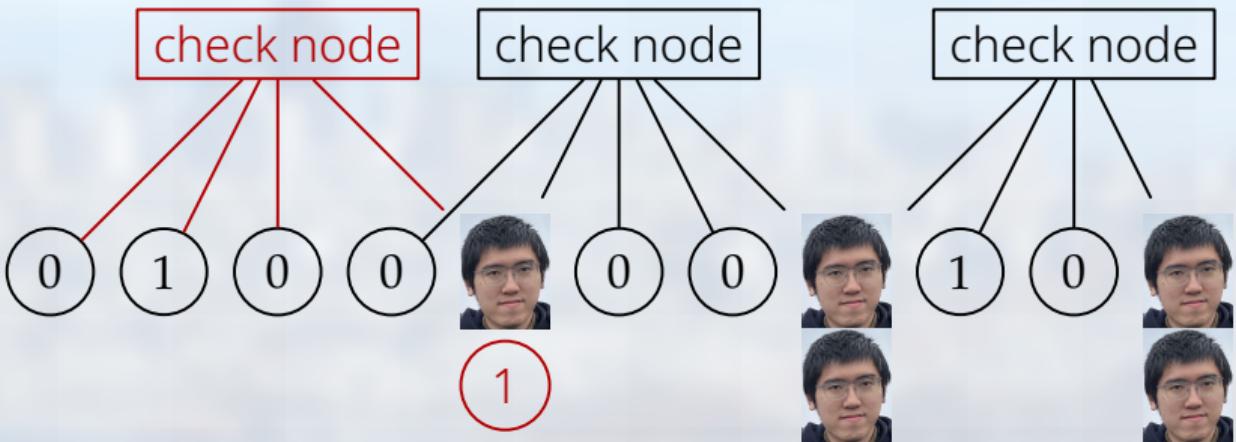
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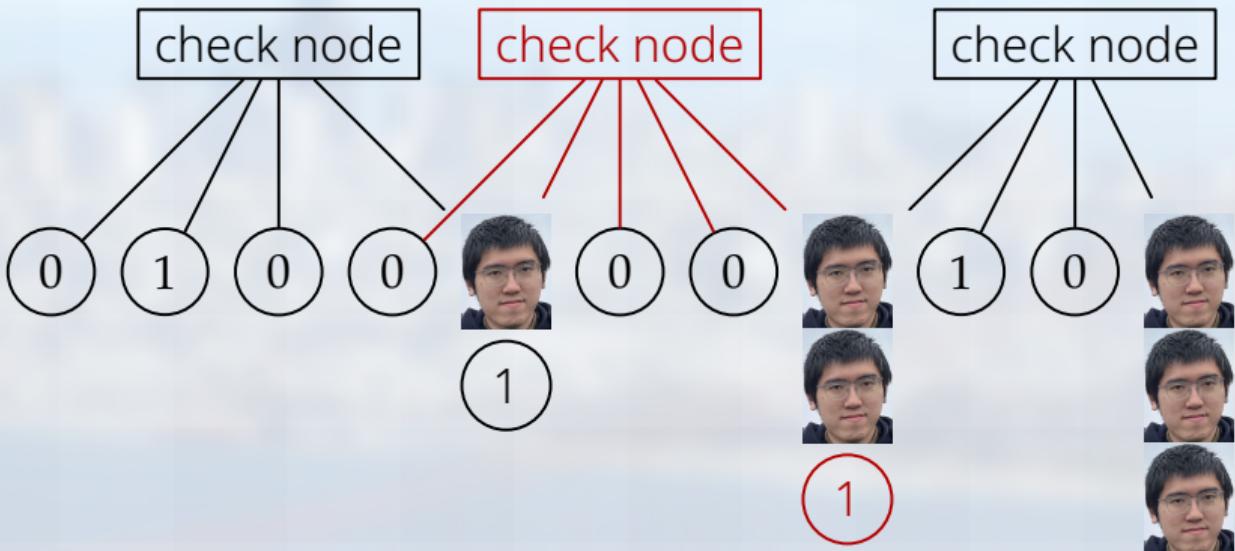
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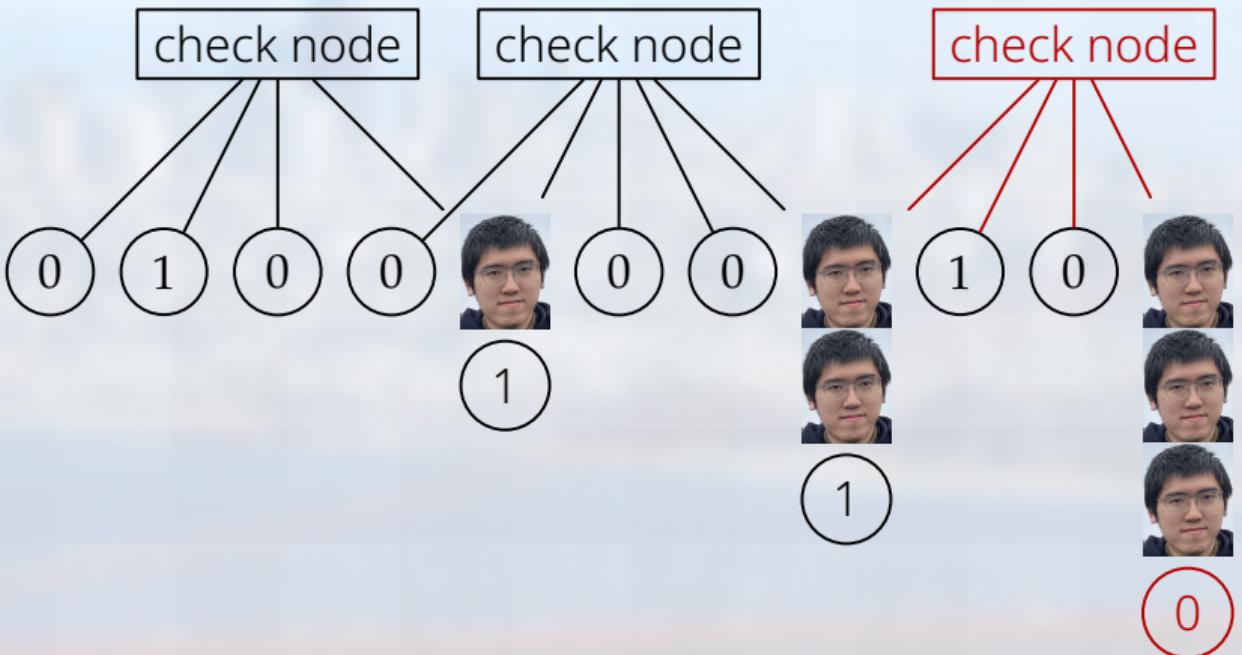
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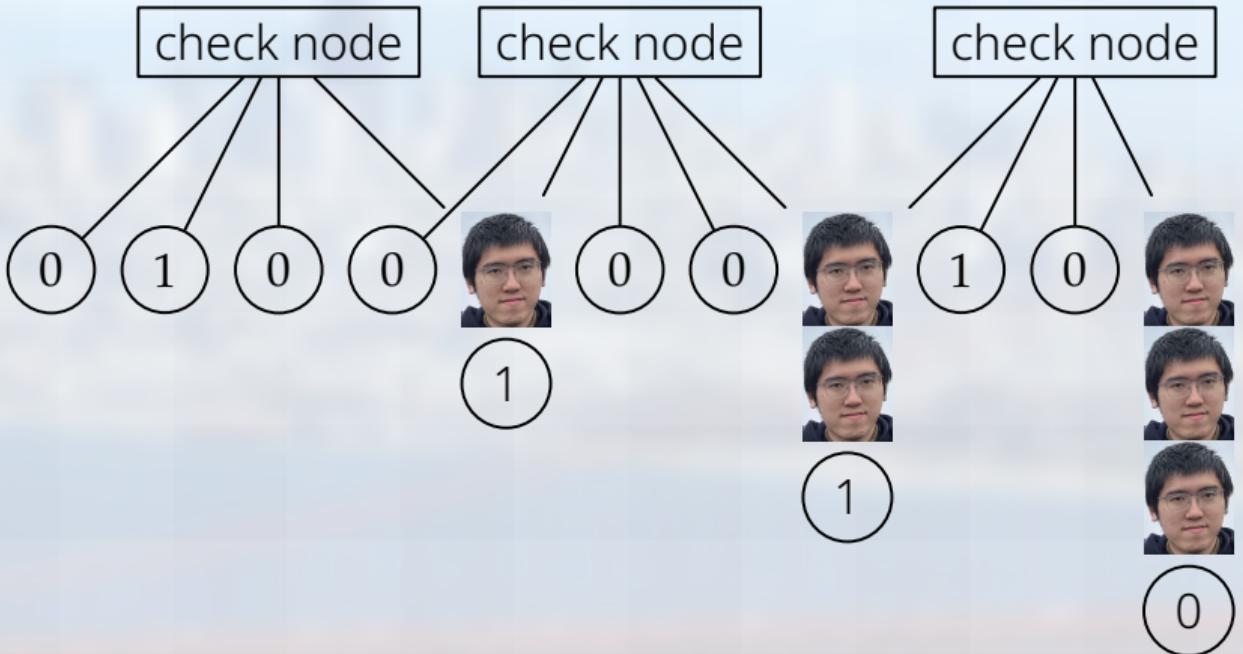




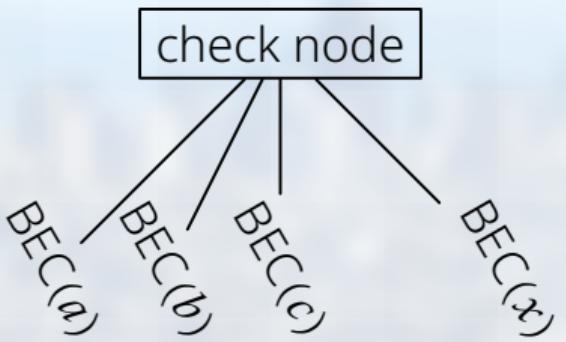


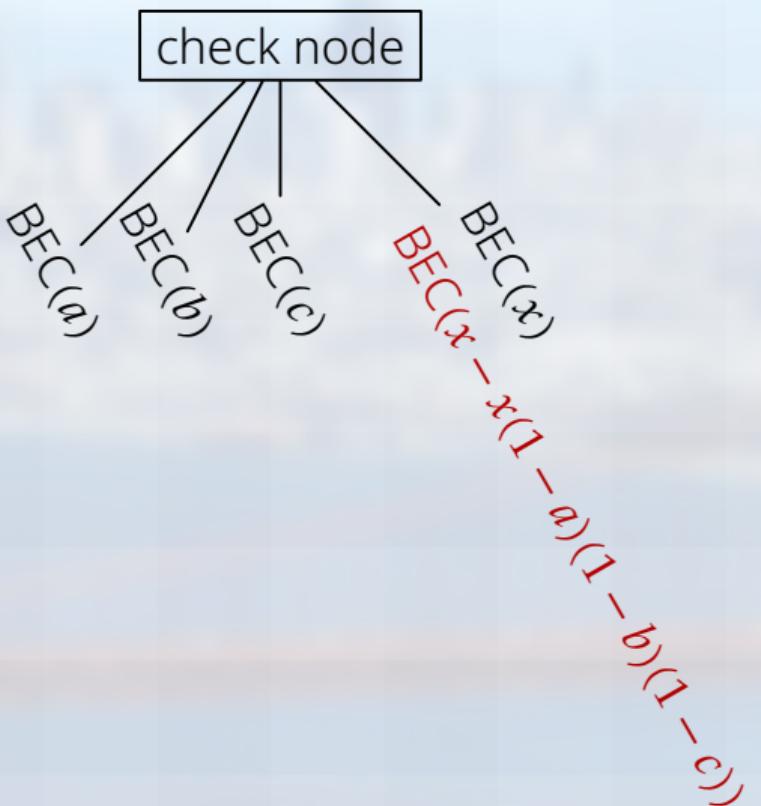


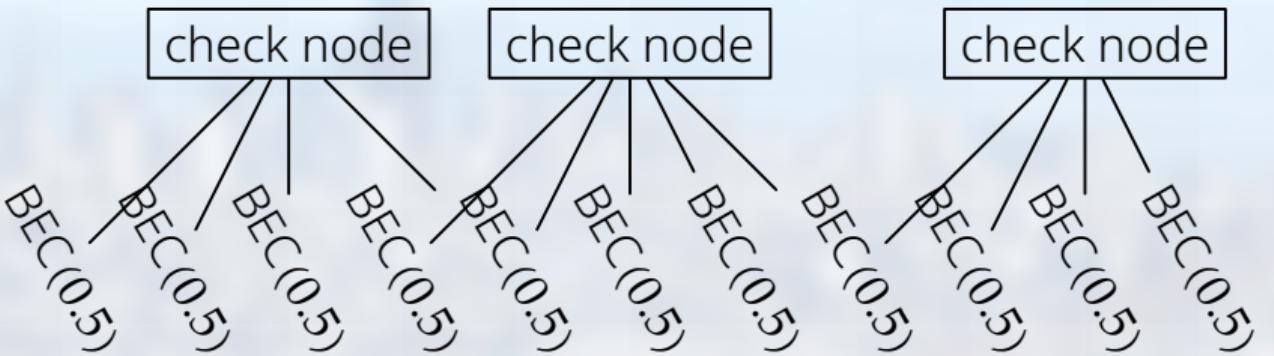


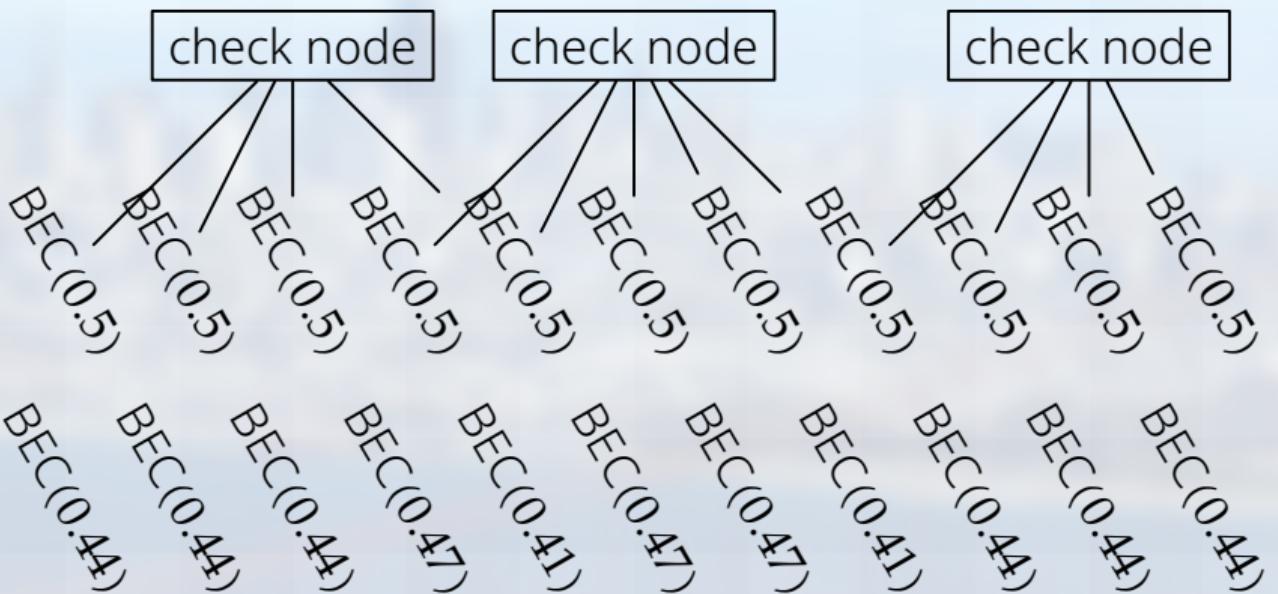


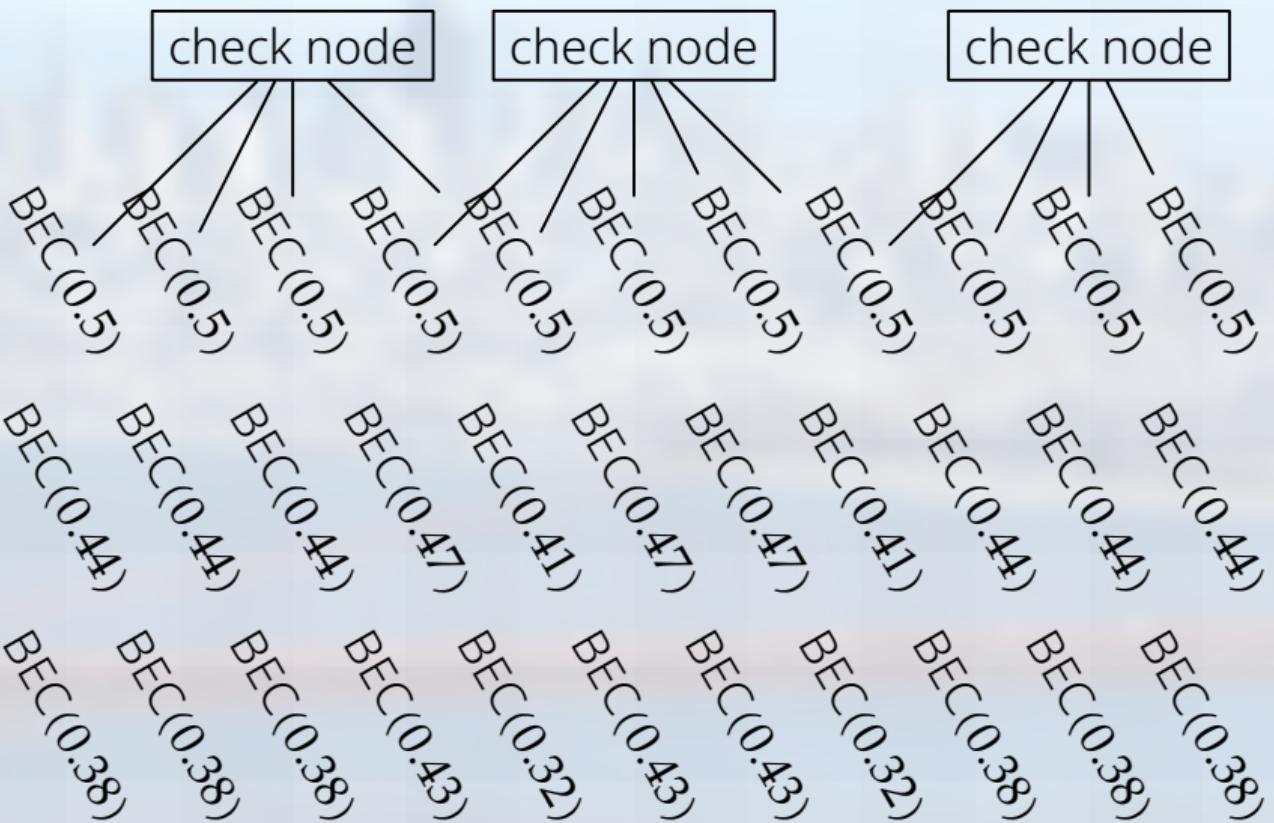
How to analyze, mathematically?















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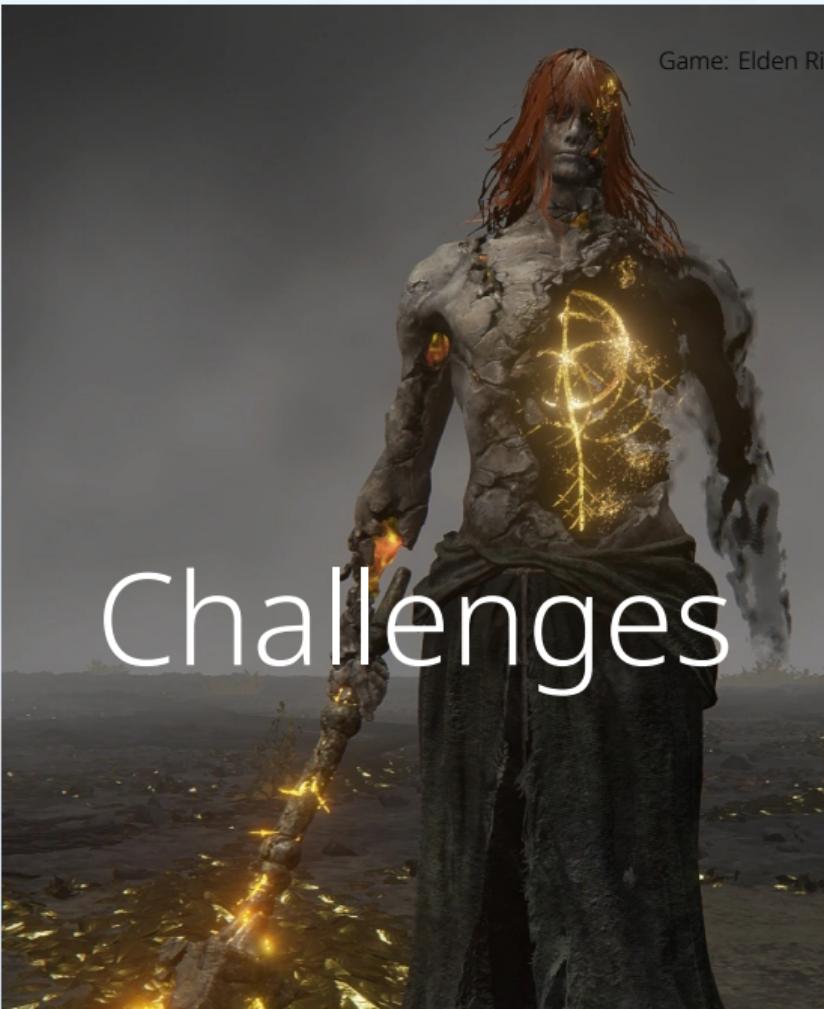
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Works well but hard to analyze



Game: Elden Ring

Challenges

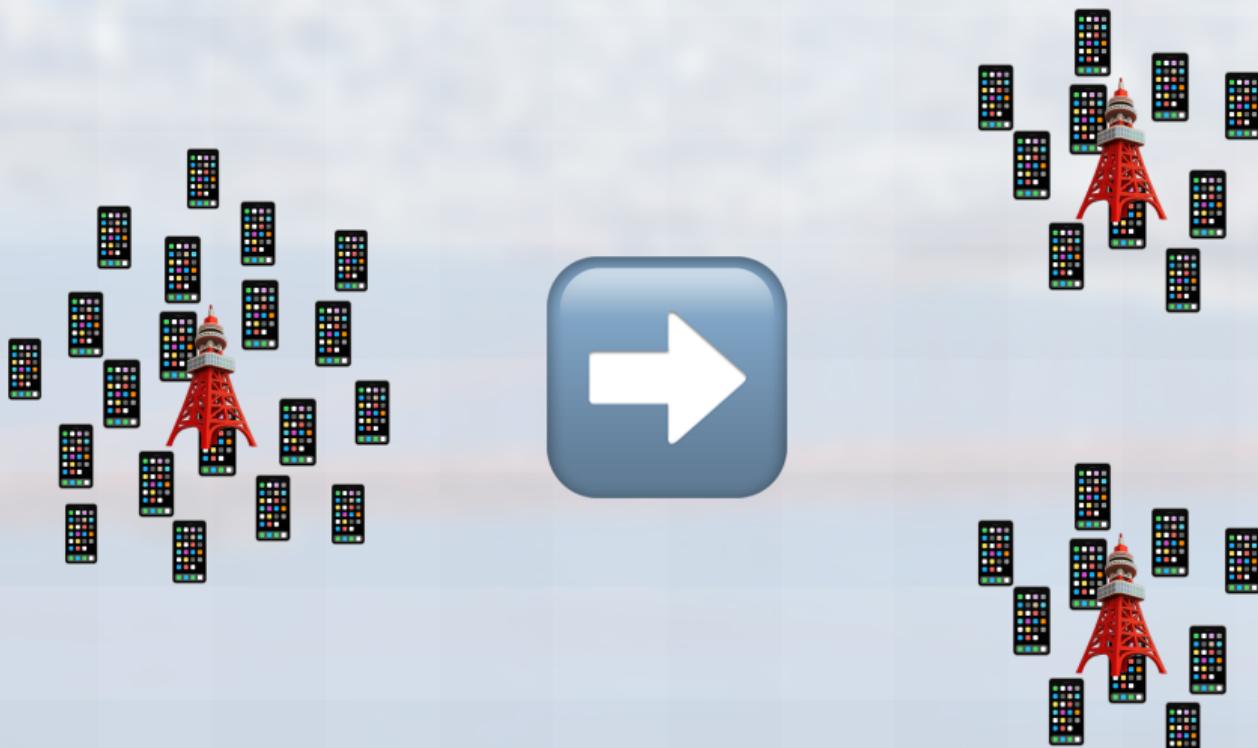




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Genotyping	genes	cause cancer	gene tests
Computer forensics	files	will be modified	bits of storage
Property-preserving hash	properties	appears in a file	bits per file
Image compression	wavelet coefficients	are nonzero	bits per digit
Traitor tracing	users	resell keys	keys
Heavy hitter / DoS	users	are spamming	virtual servers

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Lemma [Your Name Here]

If we can solve (n, k) -RAC
(RAC = random access channel),

then we can solve $(3n, 2k)$ -RAC.

CHALLENGES

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Insertion

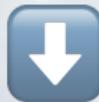
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