

# Multi-Party Quantum Communication Complexity with Routed Messages

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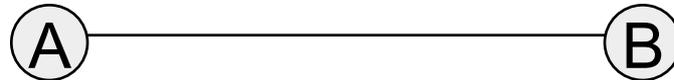
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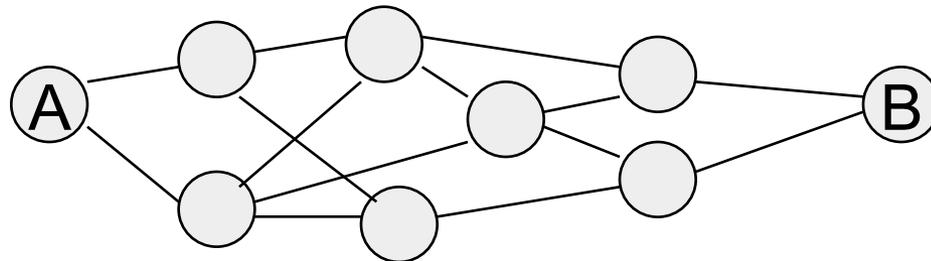
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# Motivation

- The amount of quantum communication needed to compute functions for distributed inputs has been intensively studied in the context of communication complexity.
- Most works assumes the standard two party model.



- On an actual communication network, however, two parties are usually connected by multiple paths on which there can be multiple parties.
- Only a few results are known in this case.



# Summary of our results

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- A general lower bound technique for the quantum communication complexity of a function that depends on the inputs given to two parties on an  $k$ -party network of any topology.
- Application of the technique to lower-bound the communication complexity of computing the distinctness problem on an  $k$ -party ring.
  - Almost matching upper bounds are also given.

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# Our results (1/3): A general lower bound technique

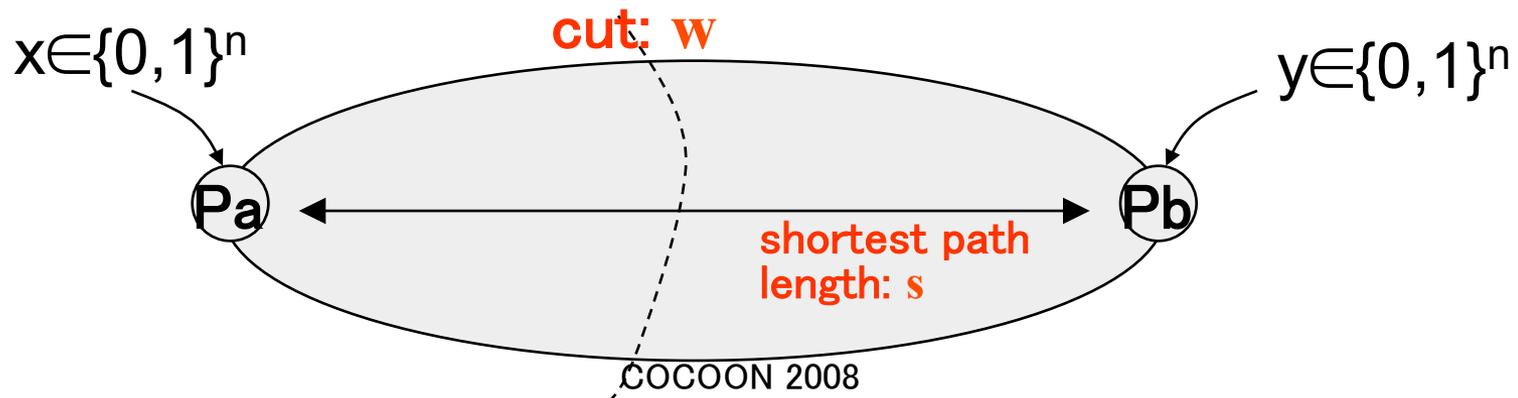
## Theorem:

Suppose that  $x, y \in \{0, 1\}^n$  are given to two parties  $P_a$  and  $P_b$ , respectively, on network  $N$  of any topology.

The total quantum communication complexity over all links of computing a Boolean function  $f(x, y)$  with bounded error is:

$$\Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x, y)) - \log(\min\{s, n\}))/\log w),$$

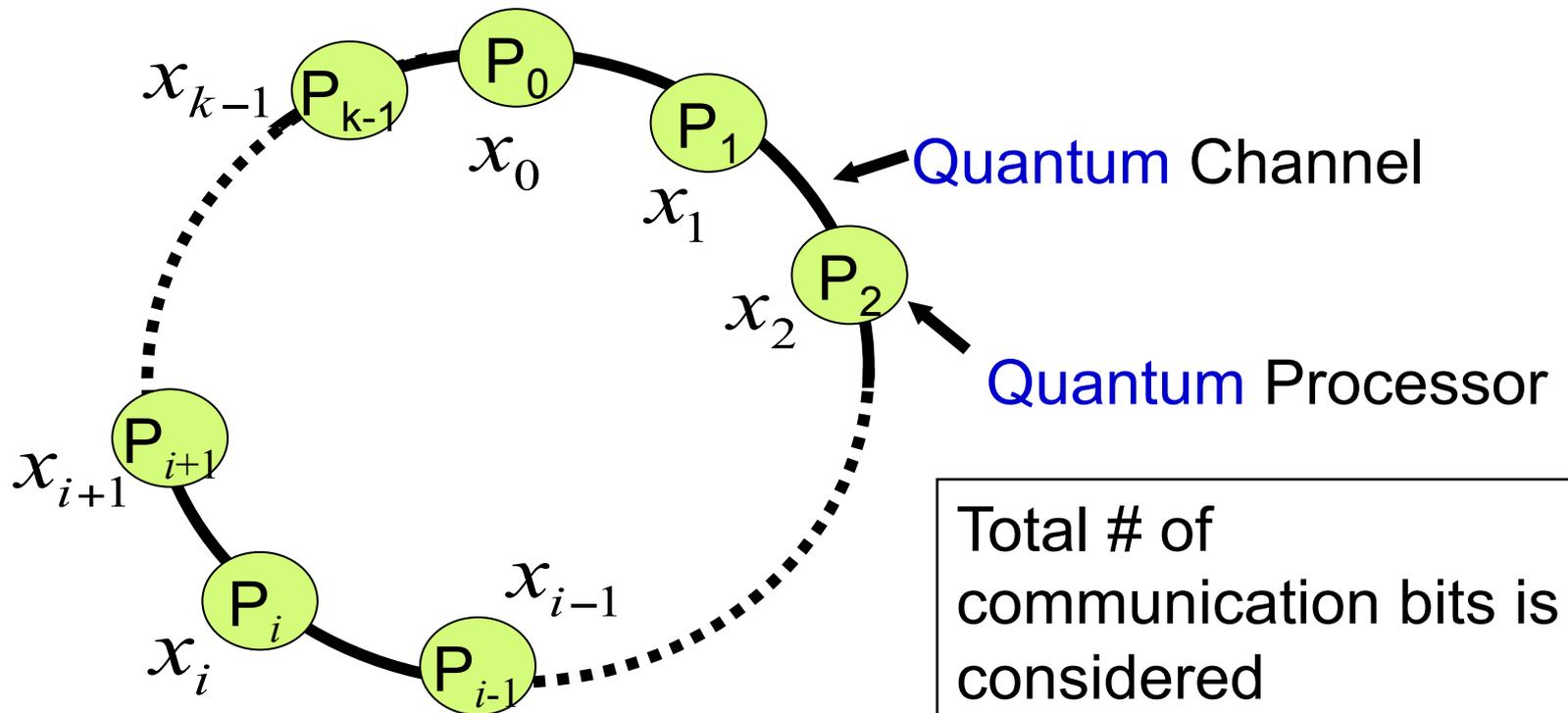
where  $Q_{1/3}(f(x, y))$  is the quantum communication complexity of  $f(x, y)$  in the ordinary two-party case.



# Our results (2/3): Application

## Our Problem: Distinctness on a ring

- Each of  $k$  parties has input  $x_i \in \{0, \dots, L-1\}$
- Determine whether two or more parties have the same value or not ( $i \neq j \rightarrow x_i \neq x_j$ )



## Our results (3/3): Application

Complexity of computing Distinctness on an  $k$ -party ring.

<b>L</b>	<b>Upper Bound</b>	<b>Lower Bound</b>
$L \leq k (\log k)^2$	$O(k L^{1/2})$	$\Omega(k L^{1/2} / \log k)$ (or $\Omega(k^{3/2})$ )
$n (\log n)^2 < L$	$O(k(k^{1/2} \log k + \log \log L))$	$\Omega(k(k^{1/2} + \log \log L))$

Our bounds are tight up to a log multiplicative factor  
In particular, they are optimal  $\Theta(k^{3/2})$  for  $L = \Theta(k)$ .

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# General Lower Bound Theorem.

## Theorem:

Suppose that  $n$ -bit strings  $x$  and  $y$  are given to two parties  $P_a$  and  $P_b$ , respectively, on network  $G$  of any topology.

The total quantum communication complexity  $Q_{1/3}^G(f)$  over all links of computing a Boolean function  $f(x,y)$  with bounded error is:

$$\Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x,y)) - \log(\min\{s,n\}))/\log w),$$

where  $Q_{1/3}(f(x,y))$  is the quantum communication complexity of  $f(x,y)$  in the ordinary two-party case.

By proving:

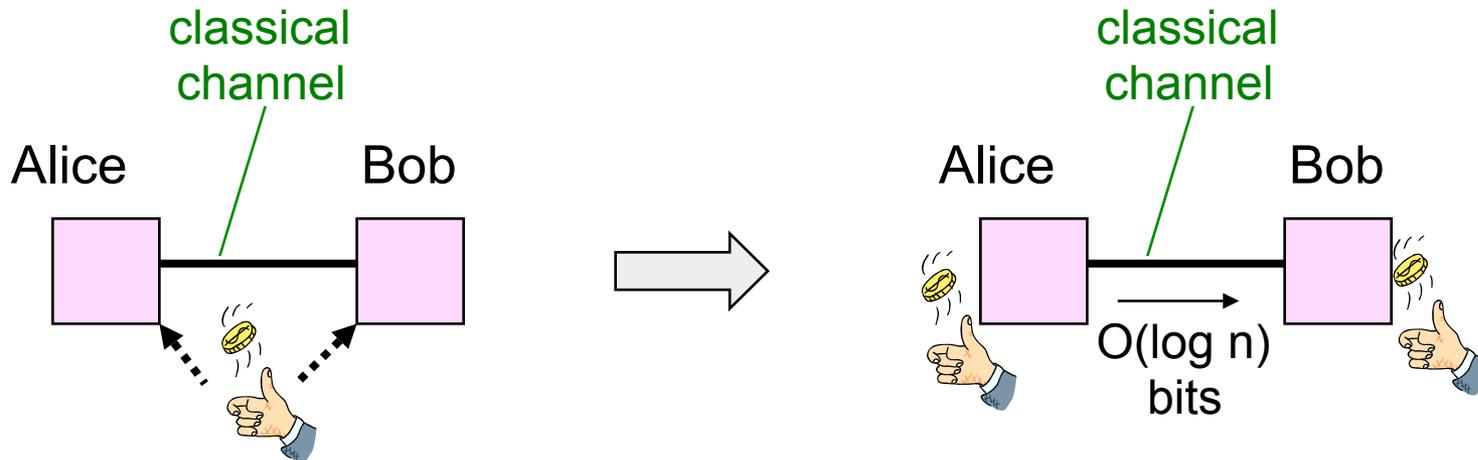
Lemma 1  $Q_{1/3}^G(f(x,y)) = \Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x,y)) - \log n)/\log w)$

Lemma 2  $Q_{1/3}^G(f(x,y)) = \Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x,y)) - \log s)/\log w)$

# Public coin v.s. Private coin (1/2)

## Theorem [Newman91]

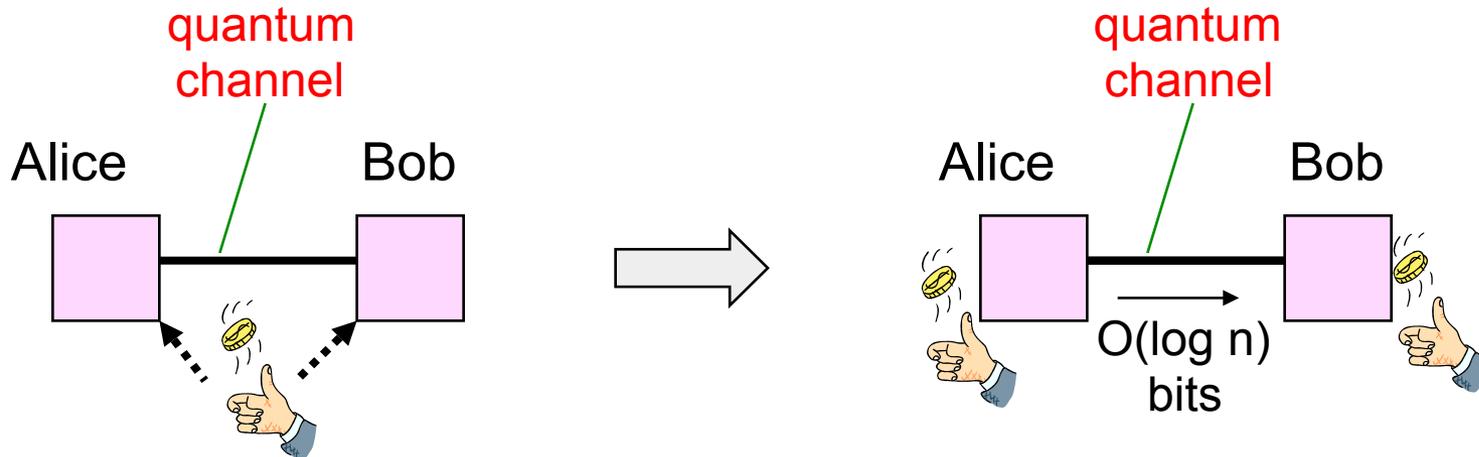
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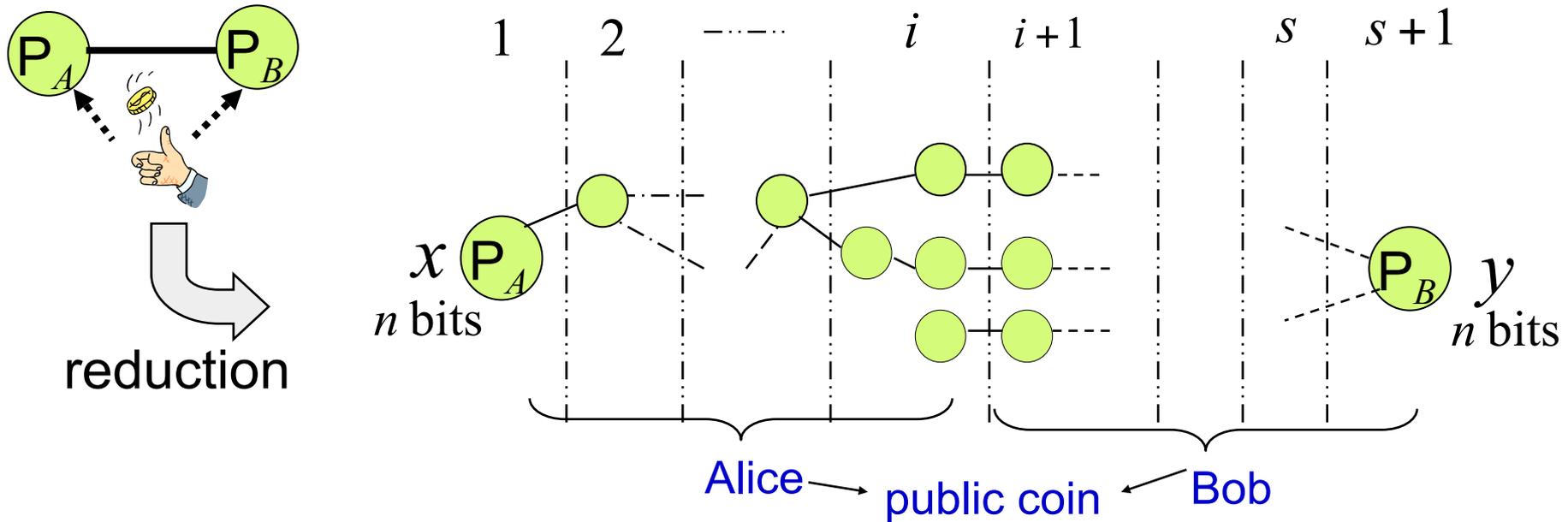
## Public coin v.s. Private coin (2/2)

### Theorem (Quantum version)

Any **quantum protocol using public coins** with error probability at most  $1/3$  can be converted into a **quantum protocol using only private coins** with error probability at most  $1/3$  at the cost of  $O(\log n)$  bits of additional classical communication, where  $n$  is the number of input bits.



# Proof of Lemma 1 (1/3)



Extension of the classical technique [Tiw87] to the quantum case:

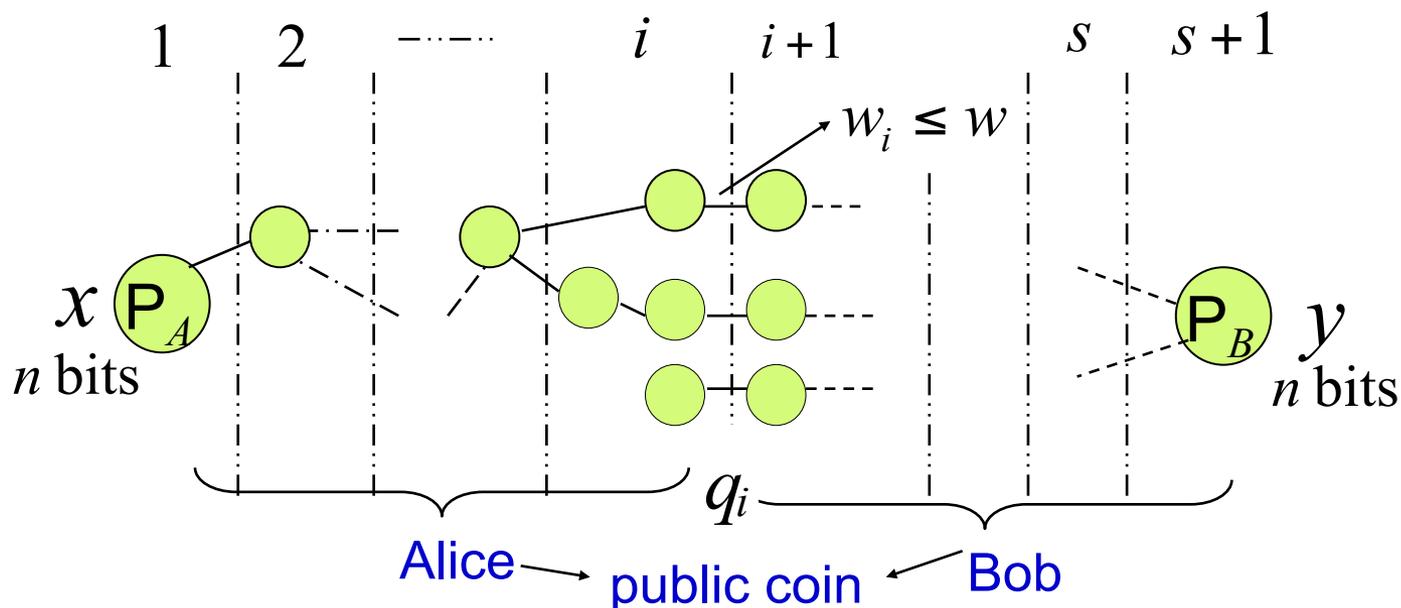
**Reduction from the two-party public coin model**

**to the multi-party model on network  $G$ .**

Let  $\Phi$  be any protocol in the multi-party model.

- (1)  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  sample value  $i \in \{1, \dots, s\}$  using public coins.
- (2)  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  divide network  $G$  at the boundary of the  $i$  and  $(i+1)$ -st layers.
- (3)  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  simulate the behavior of  $\Phi$  at the left and right parts, resp.

# Proof of Lemma 1 (2/3)



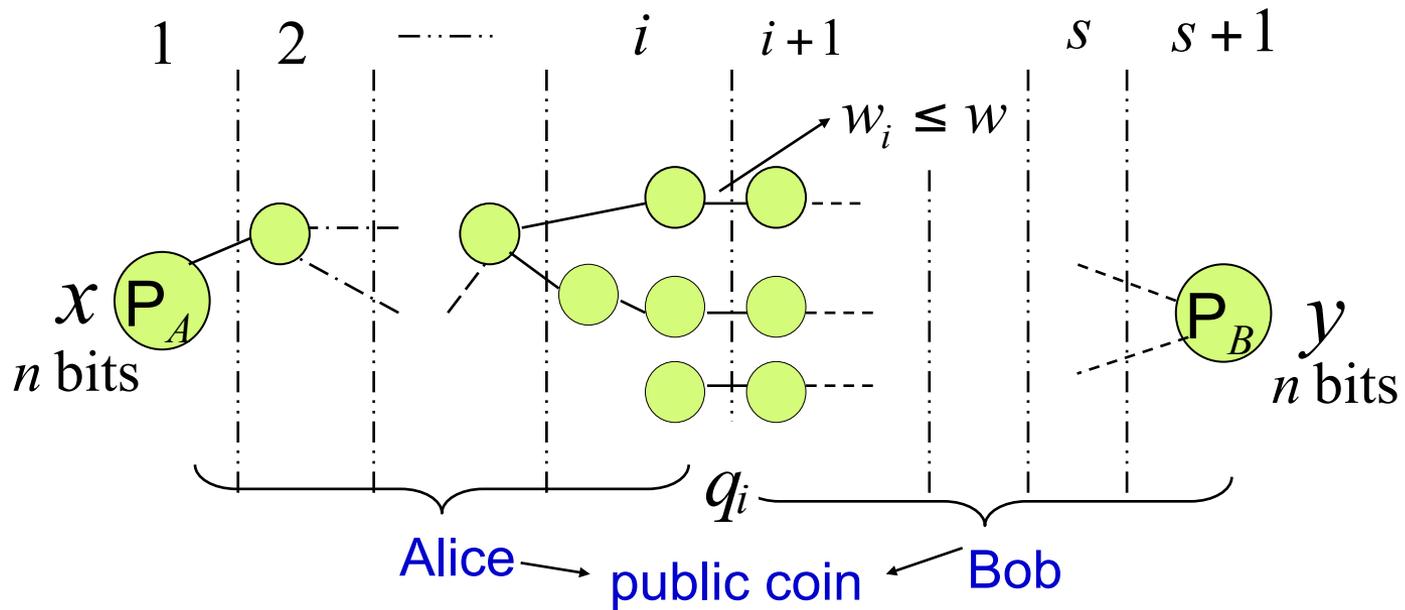
Let  $q_i$  be the number of qubits communicated by  $\Phi$  on the edges across the boundary between the  $i$ -th and  $(i+1)$ -st layers.

$$\mathbb{E} \left[ Q_{1/3}^{\text{Pub}}(f(x, y)) \right] \leq \sum_i \frac{1}{s} (\log w_i) q_i \leq \frac{1}{s} \log w \sum_i q_i$$

By the standard technique,

$$Q_{1/3}^{\text{Pub}}(f(x, y)) \leq O\left(\frac{\log w}{s} \sum_i q_i\right) = O\left(\frac{\log w}{s} Q_{1/3}^G(f)\right)$$

# Proof of Lemma 1 (3/3)



Applying the public-to-private conversion technique:

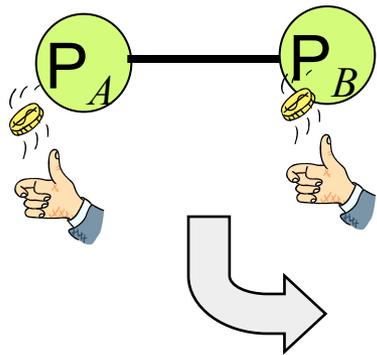
$$Q_{1/3}(f(x, y)) \leq Q_{1/3}^{\text{pub}}(f(x, y)) + O(\log n)$$

We have

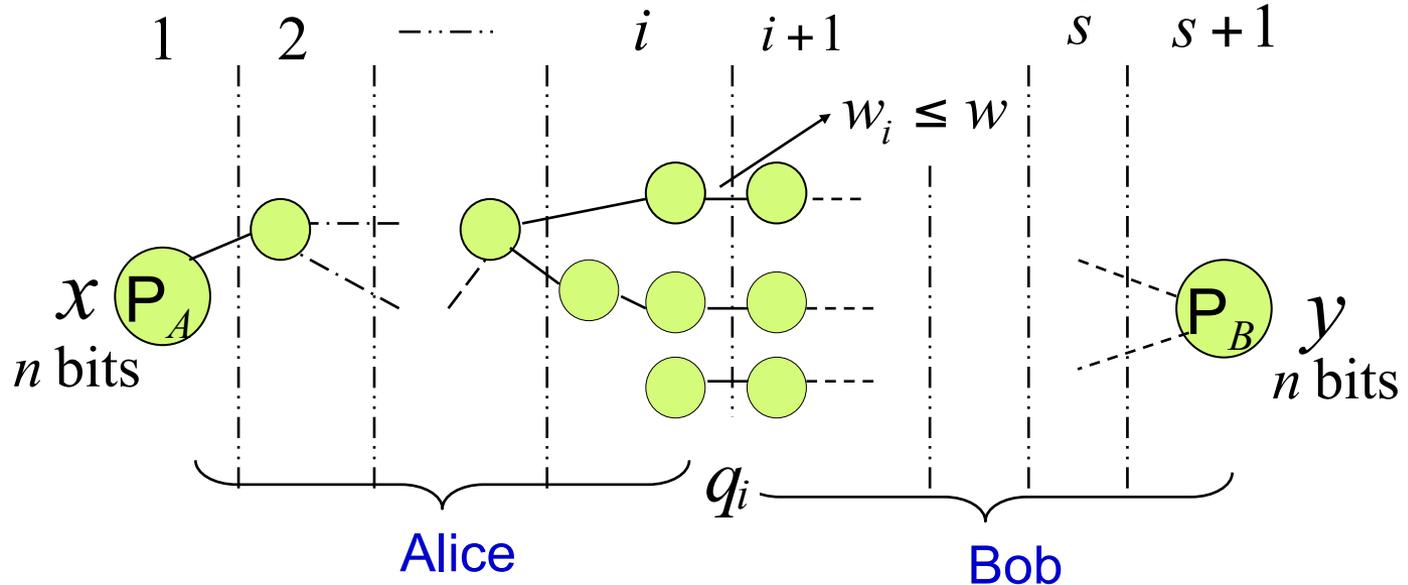
$$Q_{1/3}^G(f(x, y)) = \Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x, y)) - \log n) / \log w)$$

# Proof of Lemma 2

Almost similar to the proof of Lemma 1 except it does not use public coins.



reduction



Let  $\Phi$  be any protocol in the latter model.

- (1)  $P_A$  samples value  $i \in \{1, \dots, s\}$  and send  $i$  to  $P_B$  with  $\log s$  bits.
- (2)  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  divide network  $G$  at the boundary of the  $i$  and  $(i+1)$ -st layers.
- (3)  $P_A$  and  $P_B$  simulate the behavior of  $\Phi$  at the left and right parts, resp.

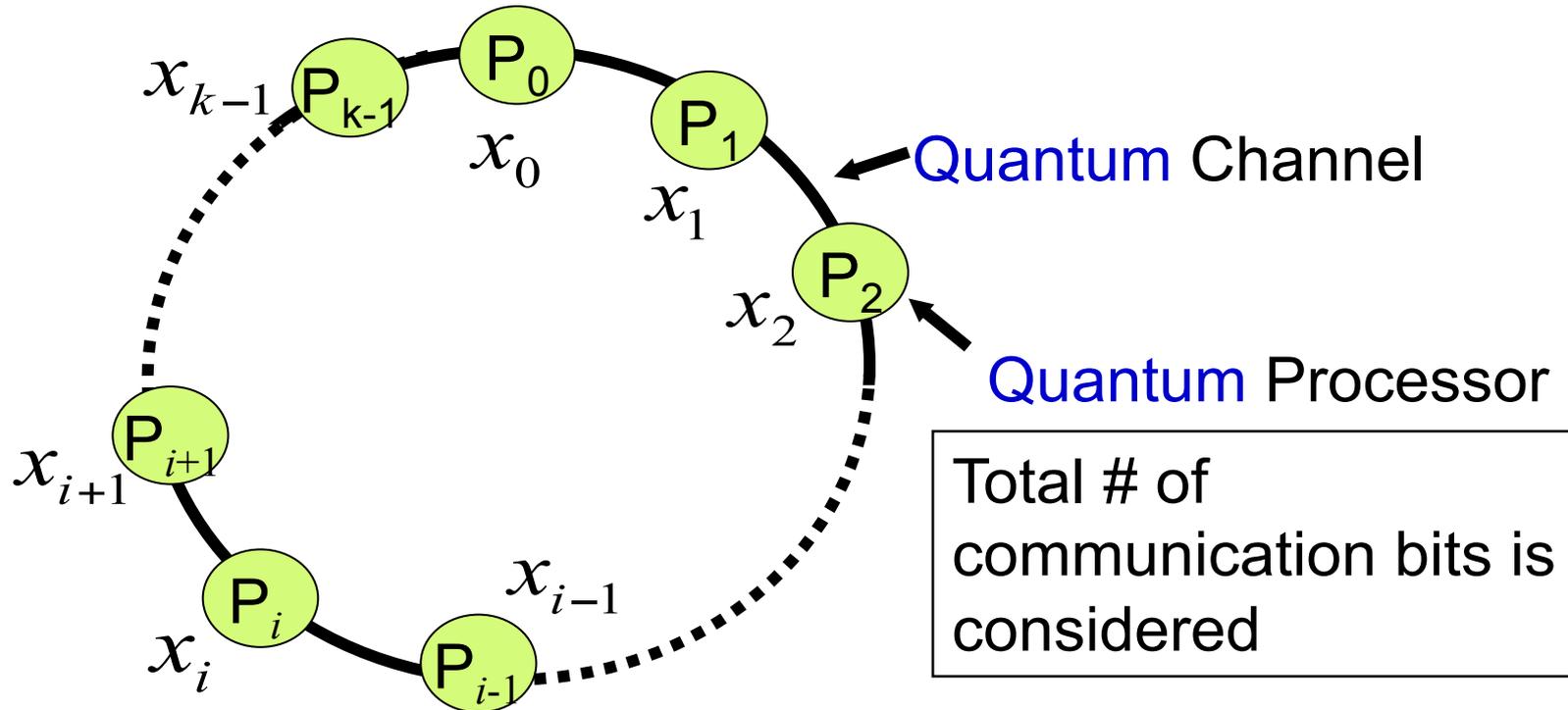
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# Application to Distinctness on a Ring

# Distinctness on a ring

- For  $i=0,1,\dots,k-1$ , party  $P_i$  gets as input  $x_i \in \{0,\dots,L-1\}$
- Every party must output:
  - **0** if two or more parties have the same value
  - **1** otherwise ( $i \neq j \rightarrow x_i \neq x_j$ )



# The lower bound of Distinctness on a ring

## Theorem

$\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$ : Distinctness problem on a ring consisting of  $k$  parties, each of which is given a  $(\log L)$ -bit value.

For  $L=k+\Omega(k)$ , the quantum communication complexity of  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$  is

$$\Omega(k(k^{1/2} + \log \log L)).$$

Proof is by the following two lemmas.

**Lemma 3:** The quantum communication complexity of  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$  is  $\Omega(k^{3/2})$ .

**Lemma 4:** The quantum communication complexity of  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$  is  $\Omega(k \log \log L)$  for  $L=2^{\omega(\text{poly}(k))}$ .

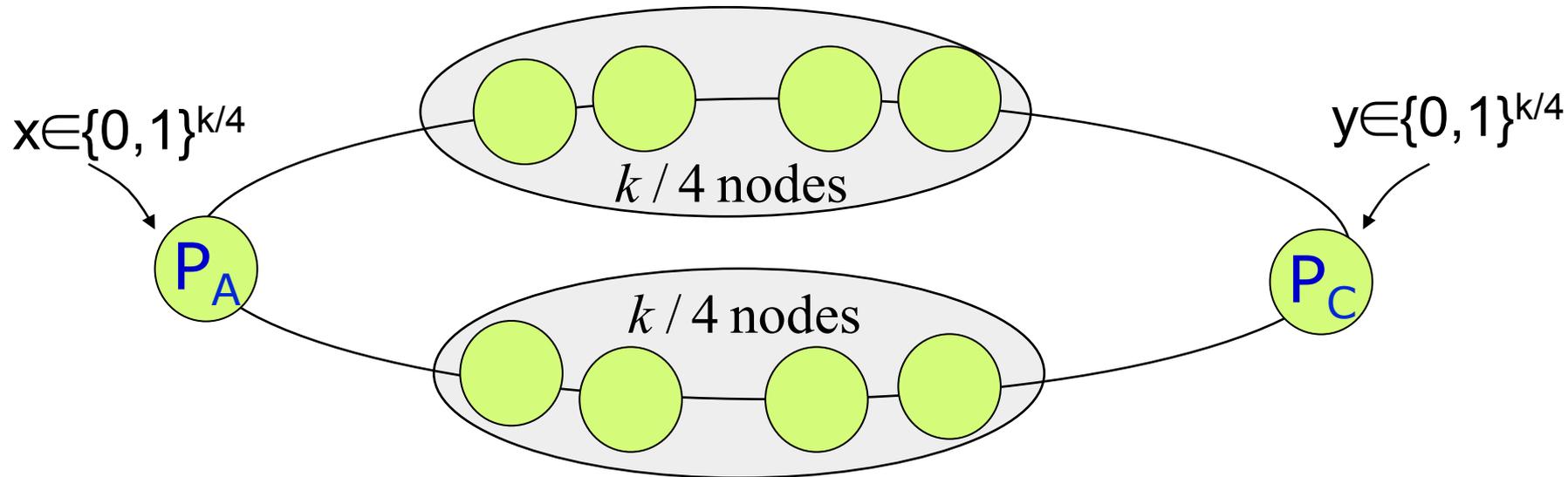
# Proof of Lemma 3 (1/2)

## DISJ<sup>ring</sup> (k/4)

$P_A$ :  $x$  (k/4 bits) is given.

$P_C$ :  $y$  (k/4 bits) is given.

⇒ Compute  $\text{DISJ}(k/4) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^{k/4} \overline{x_i y_i}$   
on a following network.

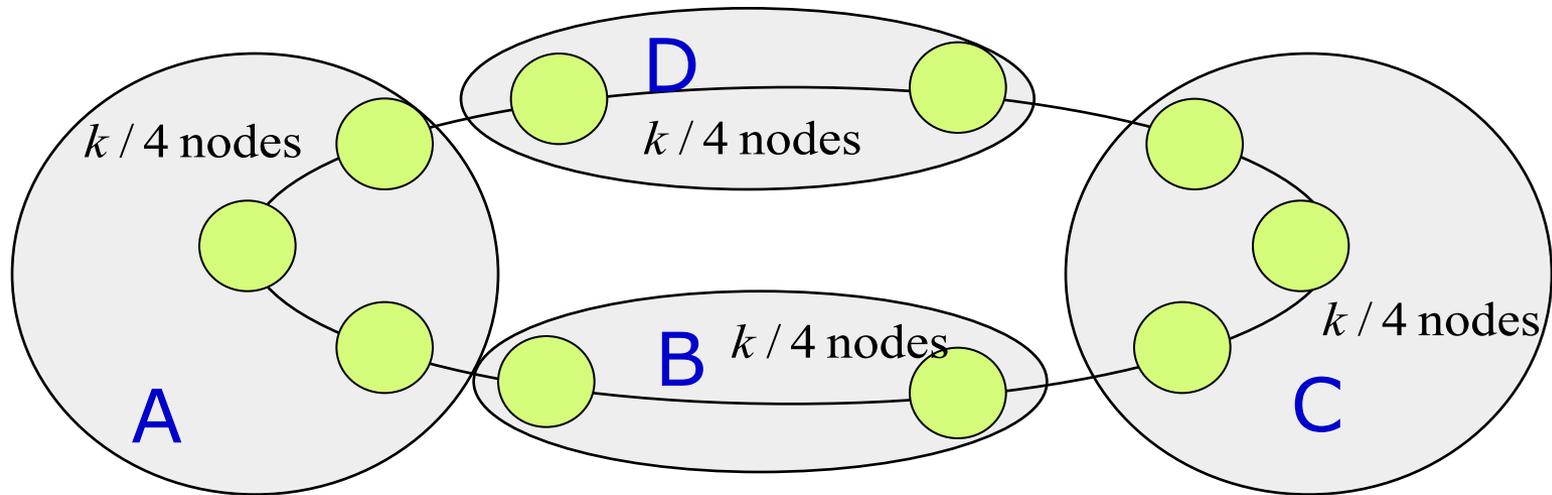


Since  $Q_{1/3}(\text{DISJ}(k/4)) = \Omega(k^{1/2})$  [Razborov03], our general lower bound implies that the quantum communication complexity of **DISJ<sup>ring</sup> (k/4)** is

$$\Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(\text{DISJ}(k/4)) - \log k) / \log w) = \Omega(k\sqrt{k})$$

## Proof Lemma 3 (2/2)

Reduction from  $\text{DISJ}^{\text{ring}}(k/4)$  to  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$   
with no extra communication cost.



$P_A: x$  ( $k/4$  bits)

$P_C: y$  ( $k/4$  bits)

- $P_A$  simulates the  $k/4$  nodes in A: if  $x_k=1$ , the  $k$ th node gets as input  $(k-1) \in I_1 = \{0, 1, \dots, k/4-1\}$ ; otherwise it gets a distinct value in  $\{k/4, \dots, k/2-1\}$ .
- $P_B$  simulates the  $k/4$  nodes in C: if  $x_k=1$ , the  $k$ th node gets as input  $(k-1) \in I_1$ ; otherwise it gets a distinct value in  $\{k/2, \dots, 3k/4-1\}$ .
- The nodes in C and D get as input distinct values in  $\{3k/4, \dots, L-1\}$

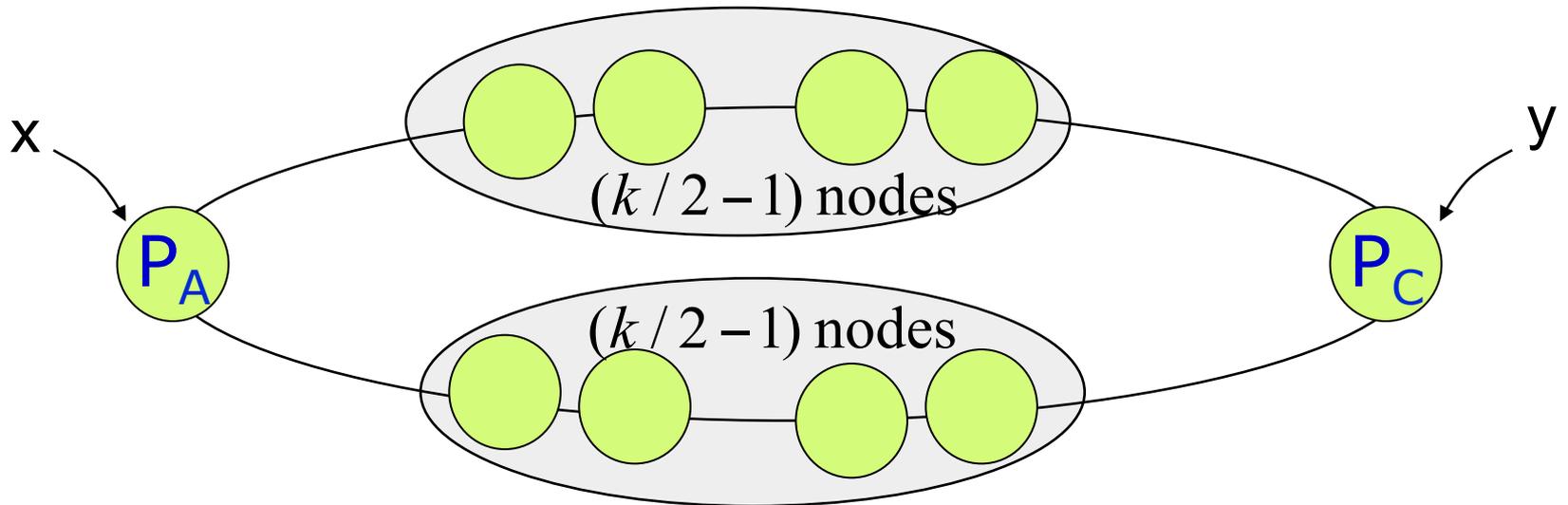
# Proof of Lemma 4 (1/2)

$EQ^{\text{ring}}(k, \log L - 1)$

$P_A$ :  $x$  ( $\log L - 1$  bits) is given.

$P_C$ :  $y$  ( $\log L - 1$  bits) is given.

Compute  $EQ(\log L - 1) = \bigwedge_{i=1}^{\log L - 1} (x_i = y_i)$   
on a following network.

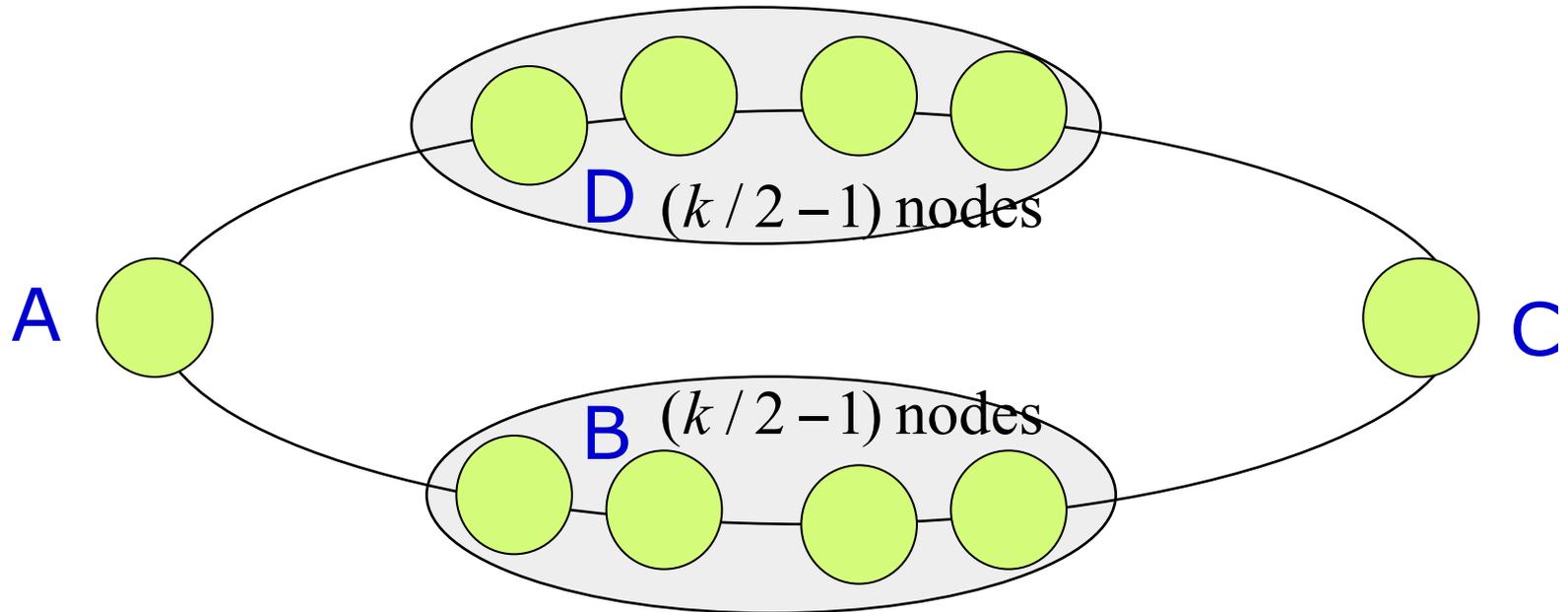


Since  $Q_{1/3}(EQ(\log L - 1)) = \Omega(\log \log L)$ , our general lower bound theorem implies that the quantum communication complexity of  $EQ^{\text{ring}}(k, \log L - 1)$  is for  $L = 2^{\omega(\text{poly}(k))}$ .

$$\Omega\left(\left(Q_{1/3}(EQ_{\log L}) - \log \min\{k, \log L\}\right) / \log w\right) = \Omega(k \log \log L)$$

## Proof of Lemma 4 (2/2)

Reduction from  $EQ_{\log L - 1}$  on a  $k$ -party ring to  $DISTINCT(k, L)$   
without extra communication cost



- $P_a$  simulates Node A: get as input  $1x$ .
- $P_b$  simulates Node C: get as input  $1y$ .
- The nodes in C and D get as input distinct values  $0z$ ,  
where  $z$  is in  $\{0, \dots, L/2 - 1\}$ .

# (Almost) Matching Upper Bound for Distinctness on a Ring

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# Almost Matching Upper Bound for Distinctness on a Ring

## Lemma

The quantum communication complexity of  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$  is  $O(k(k^{1/2} \log k + \log \log L))$ .

Idea is to solve the following search problem.

Search for  $m \in \{0, \dots, k-1\}$  that has the next property:

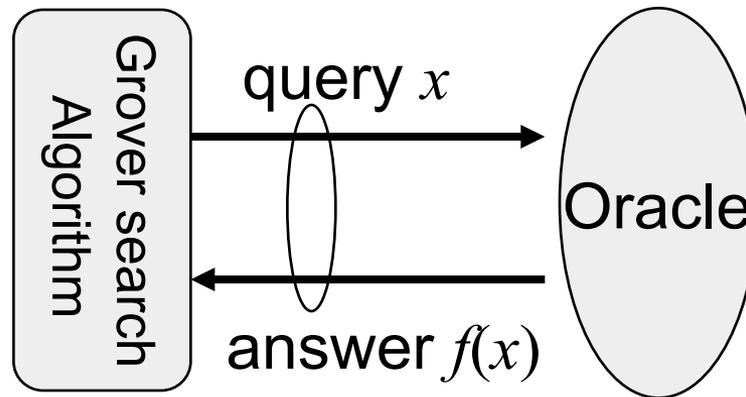
there is at least one party  $j$  ( $\neq m$ )

that gets the same value as  $x_m$ .

To do this, use Grover's quantum search algorithm [Gro96]  
in a distributed fashion.

# Grover's quantum search [Grover96]

- Boolean function  $f:\{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  is given as an oracle
- Grover's algorithm can **find  $x \in \{0,1\}^n$  such that  $f(x)=1$**  with probability at least  $2/3$  by making  **$O(\sqrt{2^n})$  queries**.  
( In the classical setting,  $O(\sqrt{2^n})$  queries are needed.)



# Application of Grover's algorithm to Distinctness

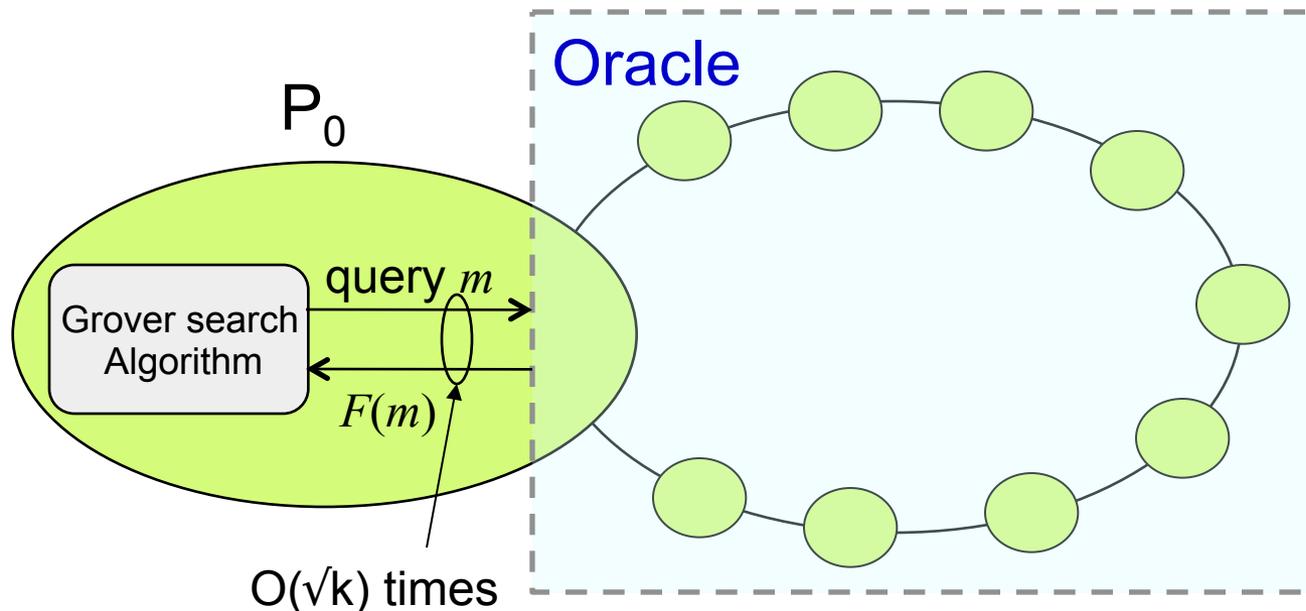
Def.  $F: \{0, 1, \dots, k-1\} \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  such that

$F(m) = 1$  iff there is at least one party  $j (\neq m)$

that gets the same value as  $x_m$ .

Idea:

- Party P1 runs Grover's algorithm
- All parties collaborate to simulate an oracle for  $F$ .



# Distributed implementation of oracle

To compute  $F(m)$ , it is sufficient to count the number of parties which have the same value as  $x_m$ .

- First phase gets information of  $x_m$  by conveying a message of the form  $(m, value)$  around the ring.
  - Initiator is P0
  - The message coming back to P0 should be  $(m, x_m)$ .
  - Message consists of  $O(\log k + \log L)$  qubits
- Second phase counts the number of parties which have the same value as  $x_m$  by conveying message  $(x_m, counter)$ .
  - Initiator is P0, transmitting  $(x_m, 0)$
  - Message consists of  $O(\log L + \log k)$  qubits.
- Third phase inverts the first and second phases to disentangle work qubits.

# Complexity

- Each oracle query needs  $O(k(\log k + \log L))$ -qubit communication.
  - Each message consists of  $O(\log k + \log L)$  qubits.
- Since  $O(\sqrt{k})$  queries need to be made, the complexity is:

$$O(k \sqrt{k} (\log k + \log L)).$$

This bound is almost optimal for  $L = \text{poly}(k)$ , but for large  $L$ , it is much larger than

$$\Omega(k(\sqrt{k} + \log \log L)).$$

# Improvement

## Idea:

- (1) To decreasing input size, map **original input of  $(\log L)$  bits** into a  **$3 \log k$ -bit value** by using universal hashing.
- (2) Use public coins so that every party can choose the same hash function.
- (3) Convert the public-coin protocol into a private coin protocol.

Total Complexity:  $O(k \sqrt{k} \log k) + O(k \log \log L)$   
 $= O(k(k^{1/2} \log k + \log \log L))$  .

# Hashing inputs

**Idea:** To decreasing input size,  
map **original input of  $(\log L)$  bits** into a  **$3 \log k$ -bit value**  
by using universal hashing.

**Algorithm:** Assume all parties share public coins.

(This assumption will be removed later.)

1. Every party randomly chooses a hash function by using public coins.
2. Every party maps his original input into a  $3 \log k$  bit value by using the hash function.
3. Run the  $O(k \sqrt{k} (\log k + \log L))$  algorithm.

**Complexity:**  $O(k \sqrt{k} \log k)$ .

# Analysis of error probability

## ■ Hashing step

- If party  $P_i$  and  $P_j$  has the same value  $x_i=x_j$ , the values are mapped into the same value  $h(x_i)=h(x_j)$ ; the output of Distinctness is unchanged.
- If every party gets a distinct value, some distinct values are mapped into the same value with probability at most:

$$k(k-1)/2 \times 1/k^3 \approx 1/k.$$

## ■ Grover's search step

- Oracle contains no error.
- Grover's search algorithm succeeds with at most constant error probability.

Over all error probability is at most constant.

# Public coin -Private coin conversion for k parties

## Theorem (Quantum k-party version)

Any quantum protocol using public coins for k parties

with error probability at most  $1/3$

can be converted into

a quantum protocol using only private coins for k parties

with error probability at most  $1/3$

at the cost of  $O(\log kn)$  bits of additional classical communication,

where  $n$  is the number of input bits.

Since the total number of input bits is  $k \log L$ ,  
the conversion needs

$O(k \log (k \log L)) = O(k \log \log L)$  for  $L = \omega(\text{poly}(k))$ .

Total Complexity:  $O(k \sqrt{k} \log k) + O(k \log \log L)$   
 $= O(k(k^{1/2} \log k + \log \log L))$ .

# Another Upper Bound for Distinctness on a Ring

## Lemma

The quantum communication complexity of  $\text{DISTINCT}^{\text{ring}}(k,L)$  is  $O(k\sqrt{L})$ .

Idea is to solve the following search problem.

Search for  $m \in \{0, \dots, L-1\}$  that has the next property:  
**there is at least two parties that gets value  $m$ .**

If we use Grover's search algorithm, the complexity is  $O(k\sqrt{L} \log L)$ .

**It is possible to improve this bound to  $O(k\sqrt{L})$  by using "recursive Grover search algorithm in [Aaronson&Ambainis03] instead.**

# Remark

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- Q. Is it possible to remove  $\log k$  factor of  $O(k(k^{1/2} \log k + \log \log L))$ ?
- Q. Is it possible to improve  $O(k\sqrt{L})$  by using universal hashing?

# Summary

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- A general lower bound of quantum communication complexity is given over multi-party network.
- As an application, the distinctness problem was considered on a ring. Almost tight bounds were given.

## Open Problems

- Is it possible to get better lower bound, possibly by using other parameters?
- Is quantum communication complexity on a dense graph lower than that on a sparse graph?

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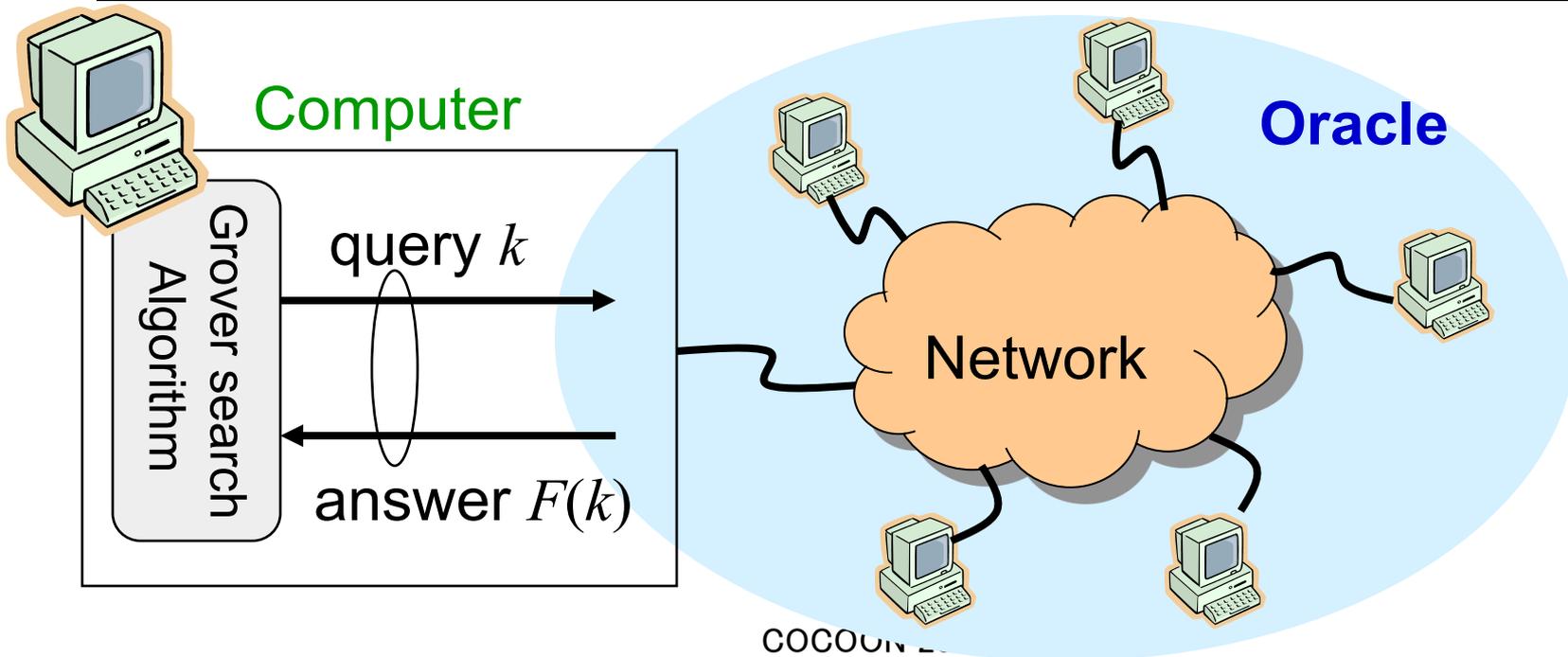
Thank you!

# Idea of algorithm computing Distinctness

Perform Grover search to find  $k \in \{0, \dots, L-1\}$   
that has the next property:

there are two or more parties who get  $k$  as input.

Def.  $F(k) = 1$  if  $k$  has the property.  
 $0$  otherwise.

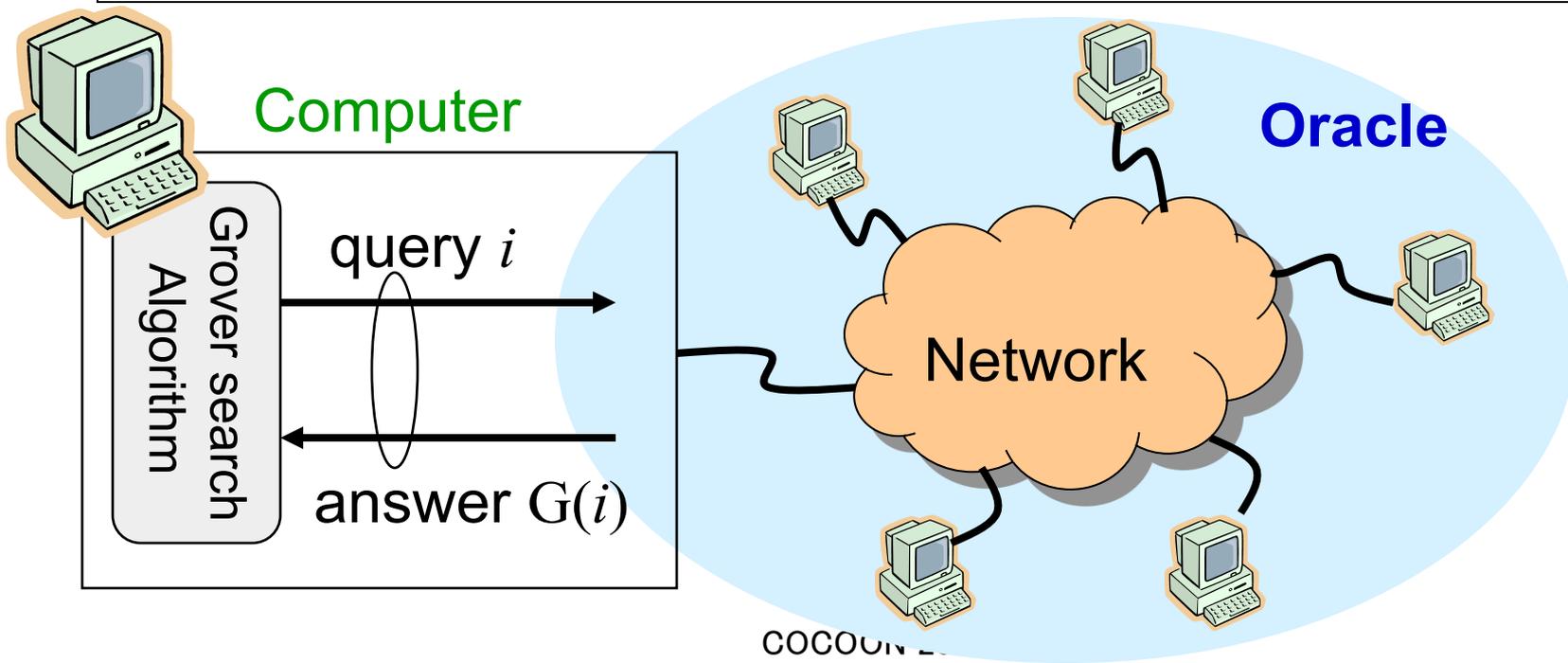


# Another Idea of algorithm computing Distinctness

Perform Grover search to find  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$   
that has the next property:

there is at least one  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  such that  $X_j = X_i$  for  $i \neq j$

Def.  $G(i) = 1$  if  $i$  has the property.  
 $0$  otherwise.



# Complexity: DISTINCTNESS on a ring

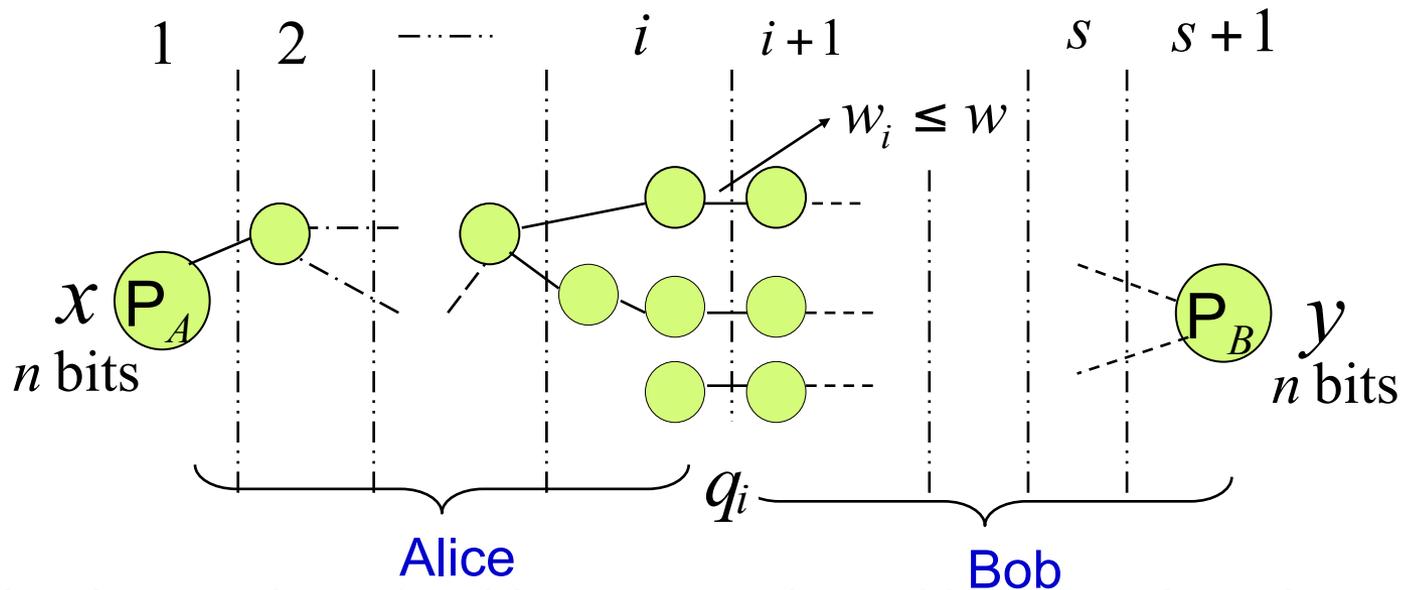
## Idea 1 gives:

DISTINCTNESS for  $n$  computer on a ring network has the communication complexity  $O(nL^{1/2})$ .

## Idea 2 gives:

DISTINCTNESS for  $n$  computer on a ring network has the communication complexity  $O(n^{3/2}\log L)$ .

# Proof of Lemma 2 (2/3)



Let  $q_i$  be the number of qubits communicated by  $\Phi$  on the edges across the boundary between the  $i$ -th and  $(i+1)$ -st layers.

$$\mathbb{E}[Q_{1/3}(f(x, y))] \leq \log s + \sum_i \frac{1}{s} (\log w_i) q_i \leq \log s + \frac{\log w}{s} \sum_i q_i$$

By the standard technique,

$$Q_{1/3}(f(x, y)) \leq O\left(\log s + \frac{\log w}{s} \sum_i q_i\right) = O\left(\log s + \frac{\log w}{s} Q_{1/3}^G(f)\right)$$

# The lower bound of Distinctness on a ring(1/5)

**Lemma 1:** The quantum communication complexity of Distinctness on a ring is  $\Omega(k^{3/2})$ .

Outline of Proof.

Step1: Apply the lower bound theorem to **DISJ on a ring**.

Step2: Reduce **DISJ on a ring** to **Distinctness on a ring**.

**Lemma 2:** The quantum communication complexity of Distinctness on a ring is  $\Omega(n \log \log L)$  for  $L=2^{\omega(\text{poly}(n))}$ .

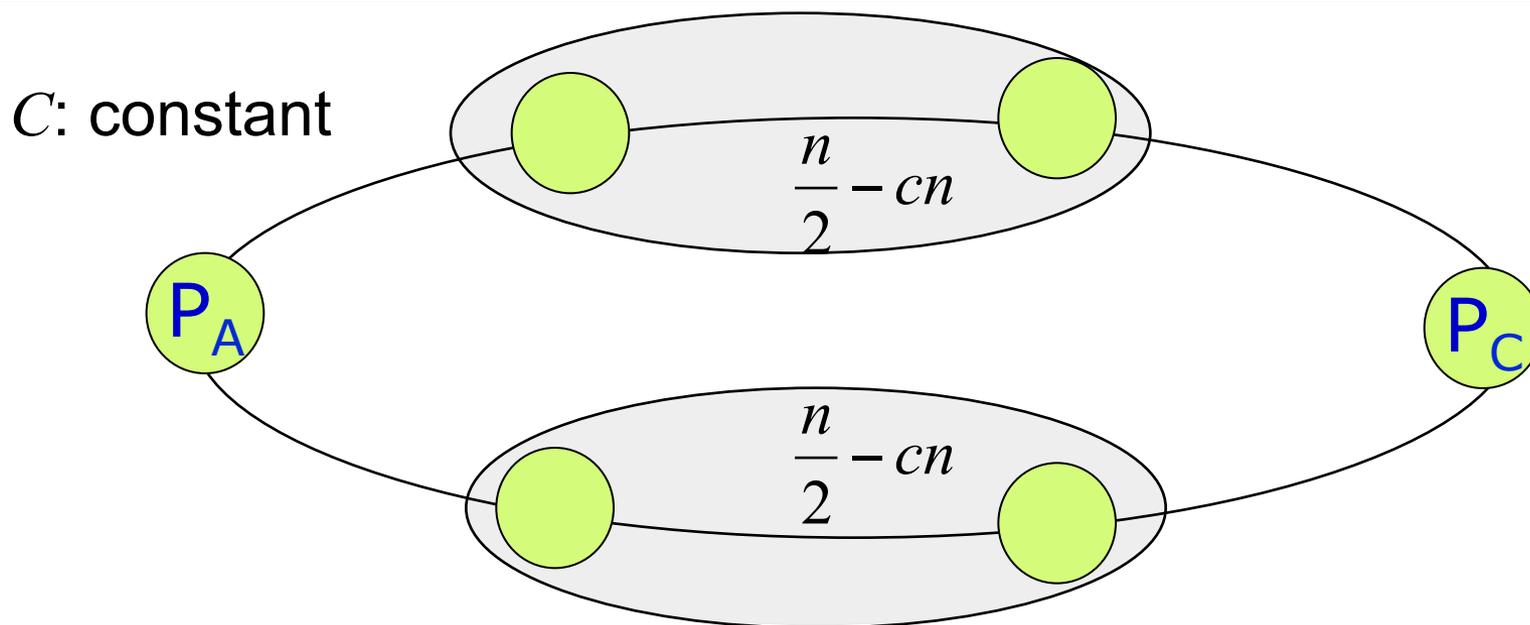
Outline of Proof.

Step1': Apply the lower bound theorem to **EQ of log L bits on a ring**.

Step2': Reduce **EQ on a ring** to **Distinctness on a ring**.

## Step 1: Apply the lower bound theorem to DISJ on a Ring (2/5)

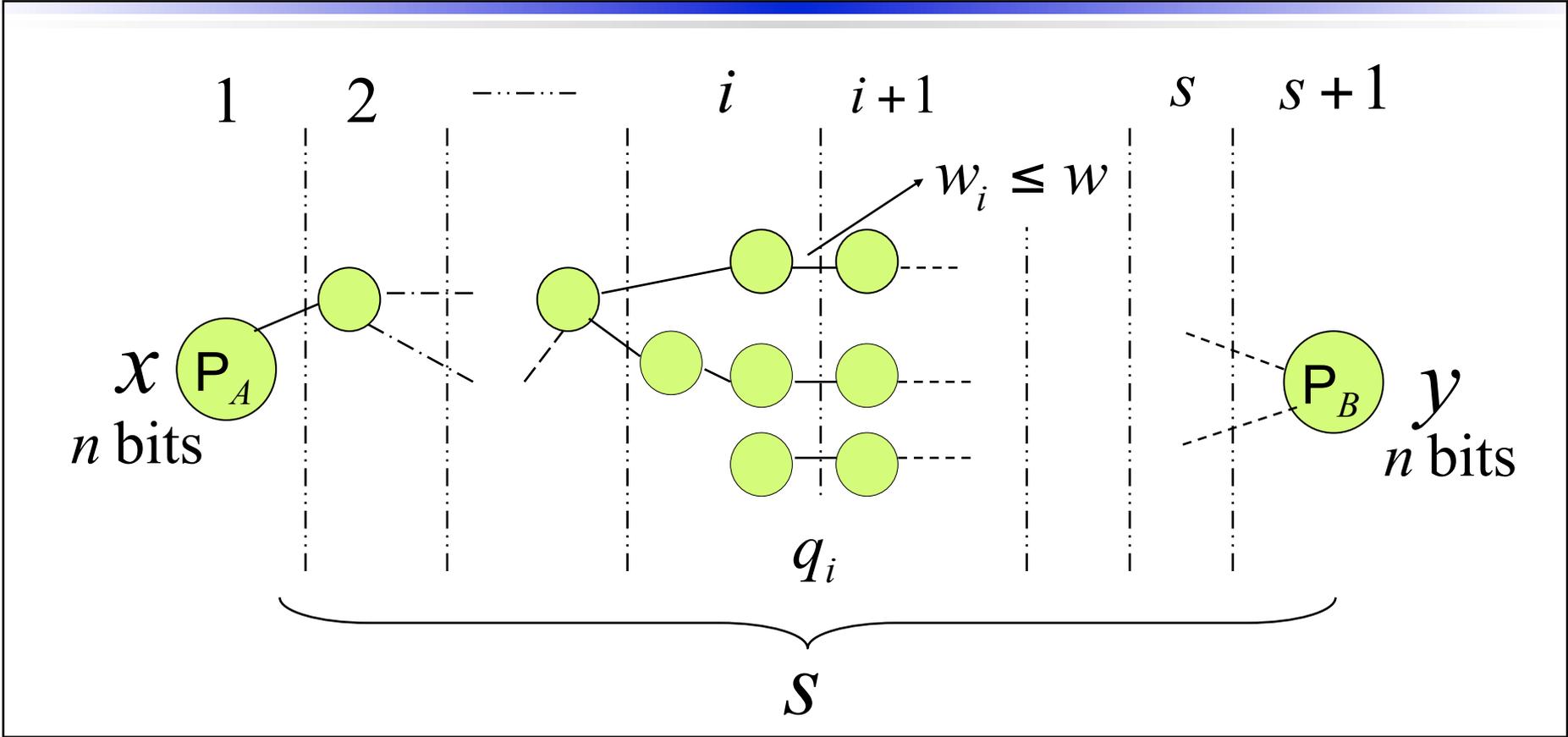
**DISJ on a ring**  $P_A: x$  ( $cn$  bits) is given.  $P_C: y$  ( $cn$  bits) is given.  
 Compute  $\bigwedge_{i=1}^{cn} \overline{x_i y_i}$  on a following network.



$$Q_{1/3}^{RING}(DISJ) = \Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(DISJ) - O(\log n)) / \log w)$$

$$= \Omega(n\sqrt{n})$$

# Lower Bound on an arbitrary network (1/4)



## Lemma 1

$$Q_{1/3}^N(f(x, y)) = \Omega(s(Q_{1/3}(f(x, y)) - \log n) / \log w)$$