Breaking the Circuit-Size Barrier in Secret Sharing

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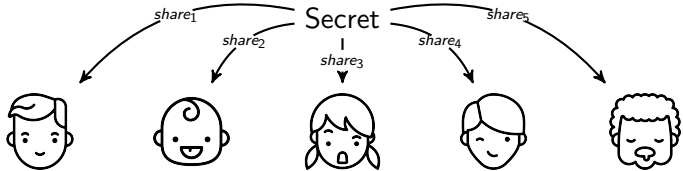

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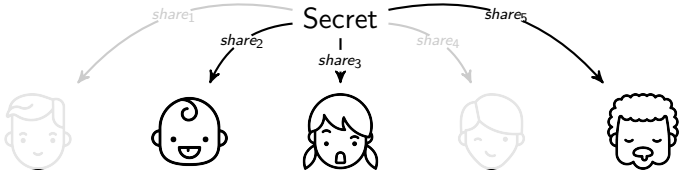

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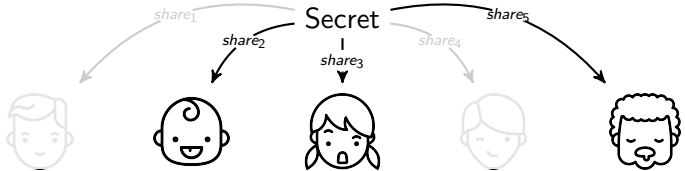

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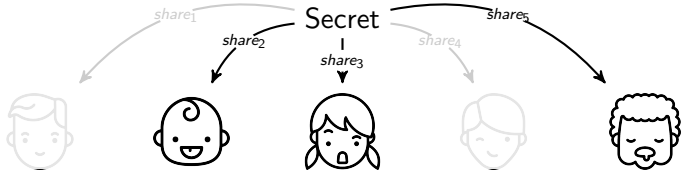

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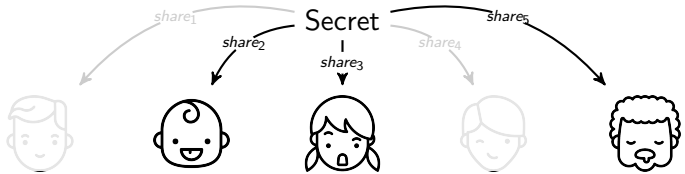

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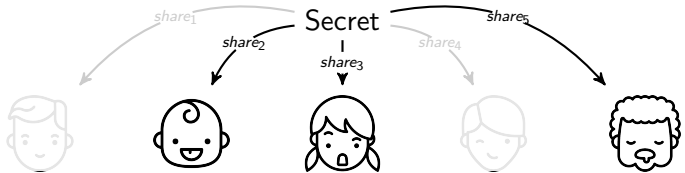

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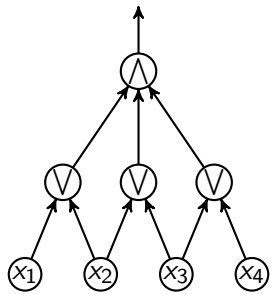

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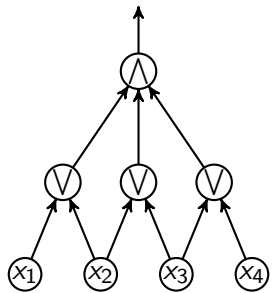

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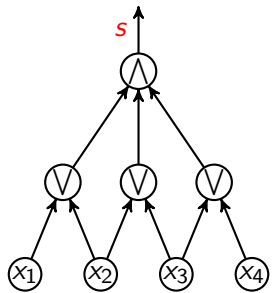

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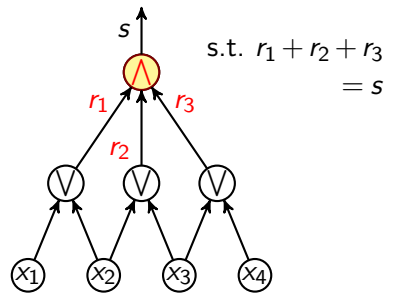

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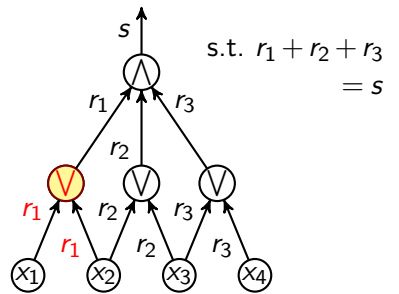

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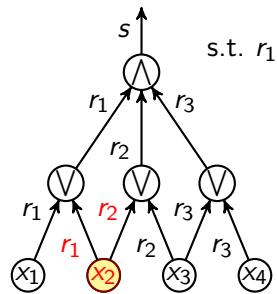

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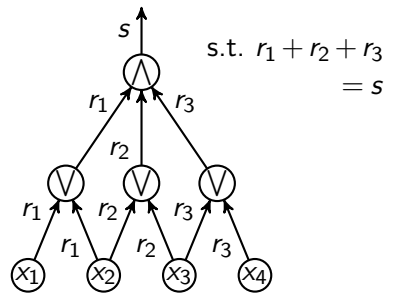

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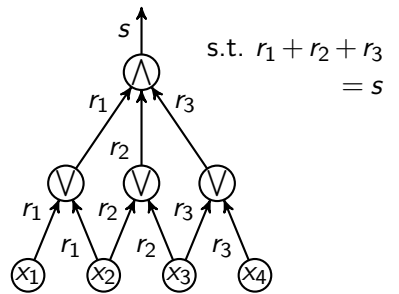

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30^+-year-old open problem

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Base gates [Liu-Vaikuntanathan-Wee'18]

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Previous Work [LVW'18]

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Our Result

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Corollary: Monotone Span Program Complexity

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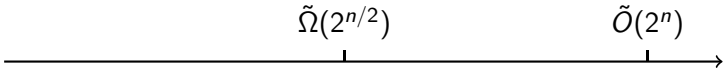

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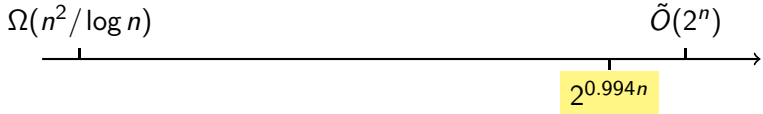

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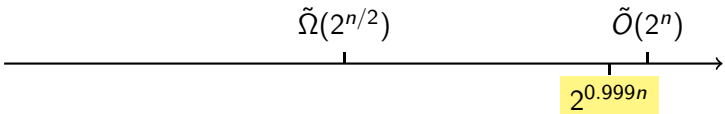

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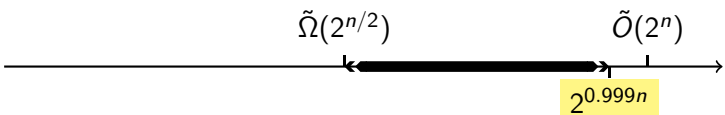

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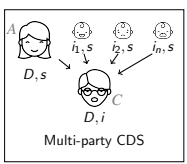

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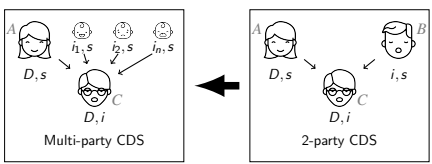

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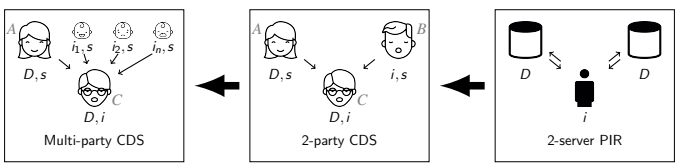

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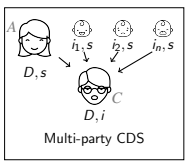

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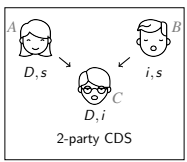

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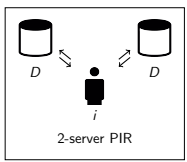

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