## Separations in communication complexity using cheat sheet and information complexity

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## Roadmap

## (1) Some background

(2) New separations in communication complexity

## Separations in query complexity

- For a function $F$, Randomized (make an error of $1 / 3$ ) query complexity $\mathrm{R}^{d t}(F)$, Quantum (make error of $1 / 3$ ) query complexity $\mathrm{Q}^{d t}(F)$.
- Quadratic separation: using Grover's search algorithm [Grov95] and its variant proved in [BBHT96].
- OR: $\{0,1\}^{n} \rightarrow\{0,1\}$ outputs 1 if the input contains at least one 1 .



## Communication complexity



- Randomized communication complexity $\mathrm{R}(F)$ : number of bits communicated in a randomized protocol.
- Quantum communication complexity $\mathrm{Q}(F)$ : number of qubits communicated in an entanglement assisted quantum protocol.
- Information complexity $I C(F)$ : amount of information about input that must be revealed (to other party) to compute the function.


## Porting query separations to communication

- A quantum query algorithm for a function gives rise to a quantum communication protocol for a related function [BCW98].
- Disjointness function DISJ inputs two subsets $x, y$ of the set $\{1,2, \ldots n\}$ and outputs 0 if the subsets are disjoint.
- $\operatorname{DISJ}(x, y)=\operatorname{OR}\left(x_{1}\right.$ AND $y_{1}, x_{2}$ AND $y_{2}, \ldots, x_{n}$ AND $\left.y_{n}\right)!!$



## Super-Grover query separation

- Aaronson, Ben-David and Kothari [2016] introduced the technique of cheat sheet.
- $F_{c s}$ has two components: ' $c$ ' copies of a parent function $F$ and a cheat sheet cs.
- Compute based on inputs to functions and content at 'decimal( $b$ )'.



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## Super-Disjointness in communication world?

- Can we somehow lift these query results to communication? What gadgets should be used?
- AND is not a good: $\operatorname{AND}\left(x_{1}\right.$ AND $y_{1}, \ldots, x_{n}$ AND $\left.y_{n}\right)$ is easy.
- Inner Product lifts a lower bound (junta degree) on $\mathrm{R}^{d t}(F)$ to a lower bound on communication complexity $\mathrm{R}(F)$ (smooth rectangle bound) [GLMWZ, 2015].
- But we have no idea what is junta degree for cheat sheet function.


## Look-up function $F_{\mathcal{G}}$

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\end{gathered}
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$u_{0}, v_{0}, u_{1}, v_{1} \ldots u_{2^{c}}, v_{2^{c}} \in W$
$\mathcal{G}: \mathcal{X}^{\otimes c} \otimes \mathcal{Y}^{\otimes c} \otimes W \rightarrow\{0,1\}$

$W$ is set of strings of size $\mathcal{O}\left(n^{2}\right)$


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## Lower bound on communication complexity of look-up function

- For reasonably non-trivial function $\mathcal{G}$, we show the following.

Theorem
$\mathrm{R}\left(F_{\mathcal{G}}\right)=\Omega\left(\mathrm{R}(F) / c^{2}\right)$ and $I C\left(F_{\mathcal{G}}\right)=\Omega\left(I C(F) / c^{3}\right)$.

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Hard distribution for F: $\mu$ Distribution for pointer: $\mu^{\otimes c} \otimes$ uniform $_{U V}$


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$\left(\Pi U_{b}\right)_{b, v, y} \approx(\Pi)_{b, v, y} \otimes U_{b}$ error!!


## Main results

- We choose $\mathcal{G}$ in similar way as in cheat sheet function.
- We choose appropriate $F$, lifting SIMON ○ TRIBES (a la Aaronson,Ben-David,Kothari [2016]). Lifting done using Inner Product gadget ([Goos et. al., 2015]).


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- Similarly for exact quantum separation, lifting the super linear separation of Aaronson, Ben-David, Kothari [2016].


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- Following Ambianis,Kokainis and Kothari (2016), we separate $R(F)$ and $U N(F)$.
- We use the lower bound on information complexity (IC) of look-up function, since it has nice properties required for $F$.


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## Open questions

- Is there a general lifting theorem from randomized query complexity to randomized communication complexity?
- Are randomized communication complexity and quantum communication complexity of total functions polynomially related?
- Can we reduce the number of blocks in cheat sheet?

