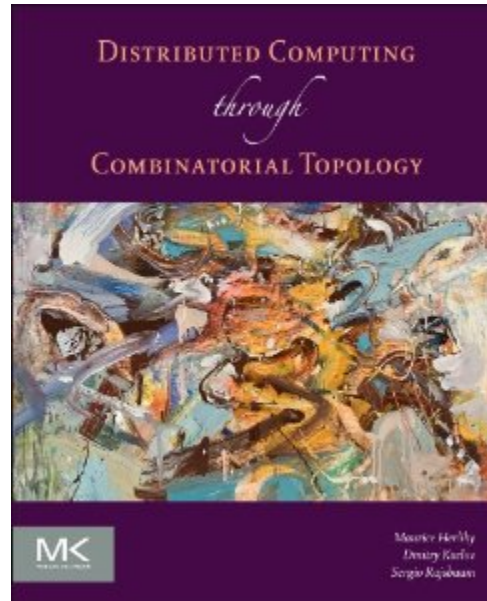
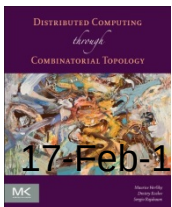
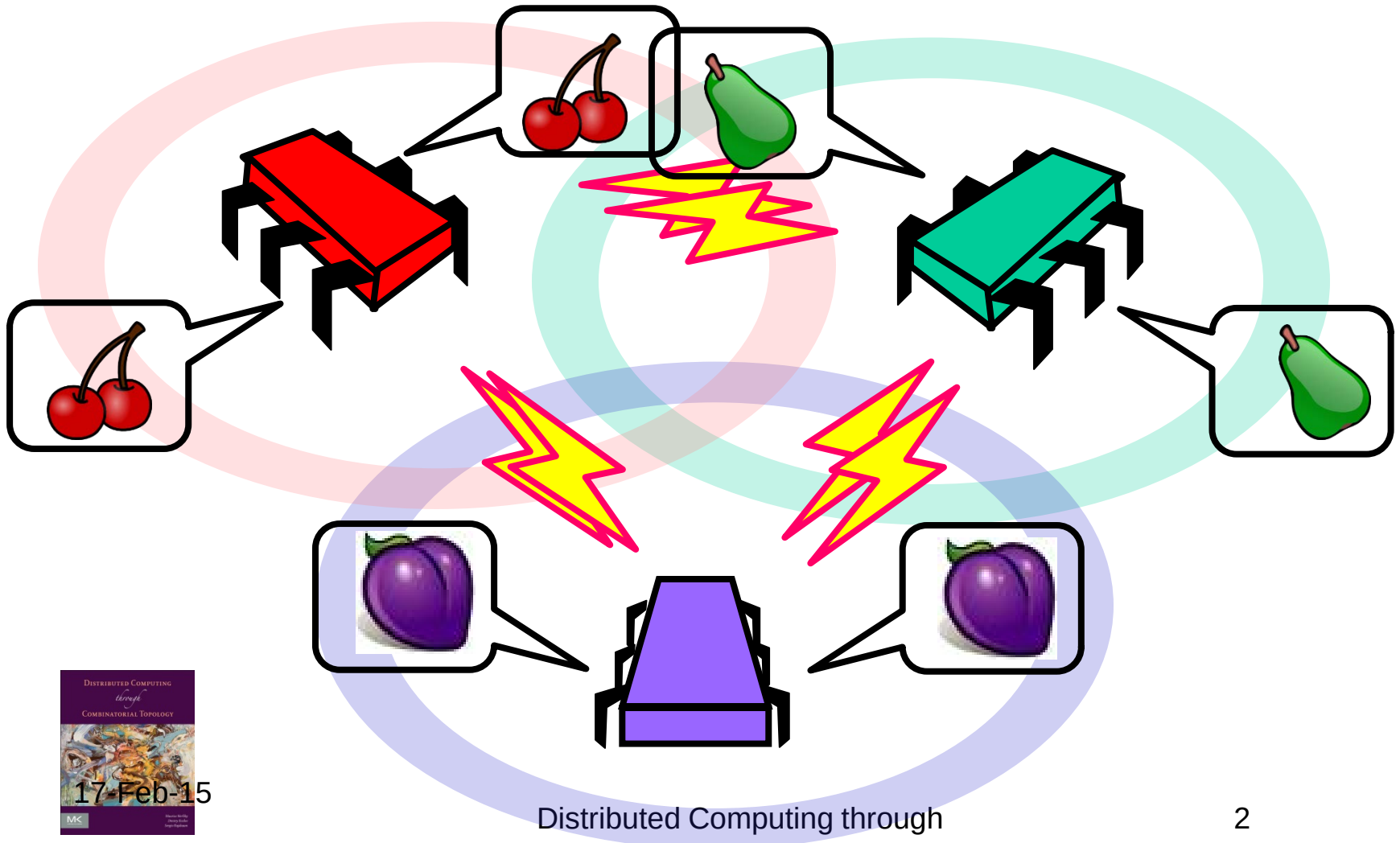


Byzantine-Resilient Colorless Computaton

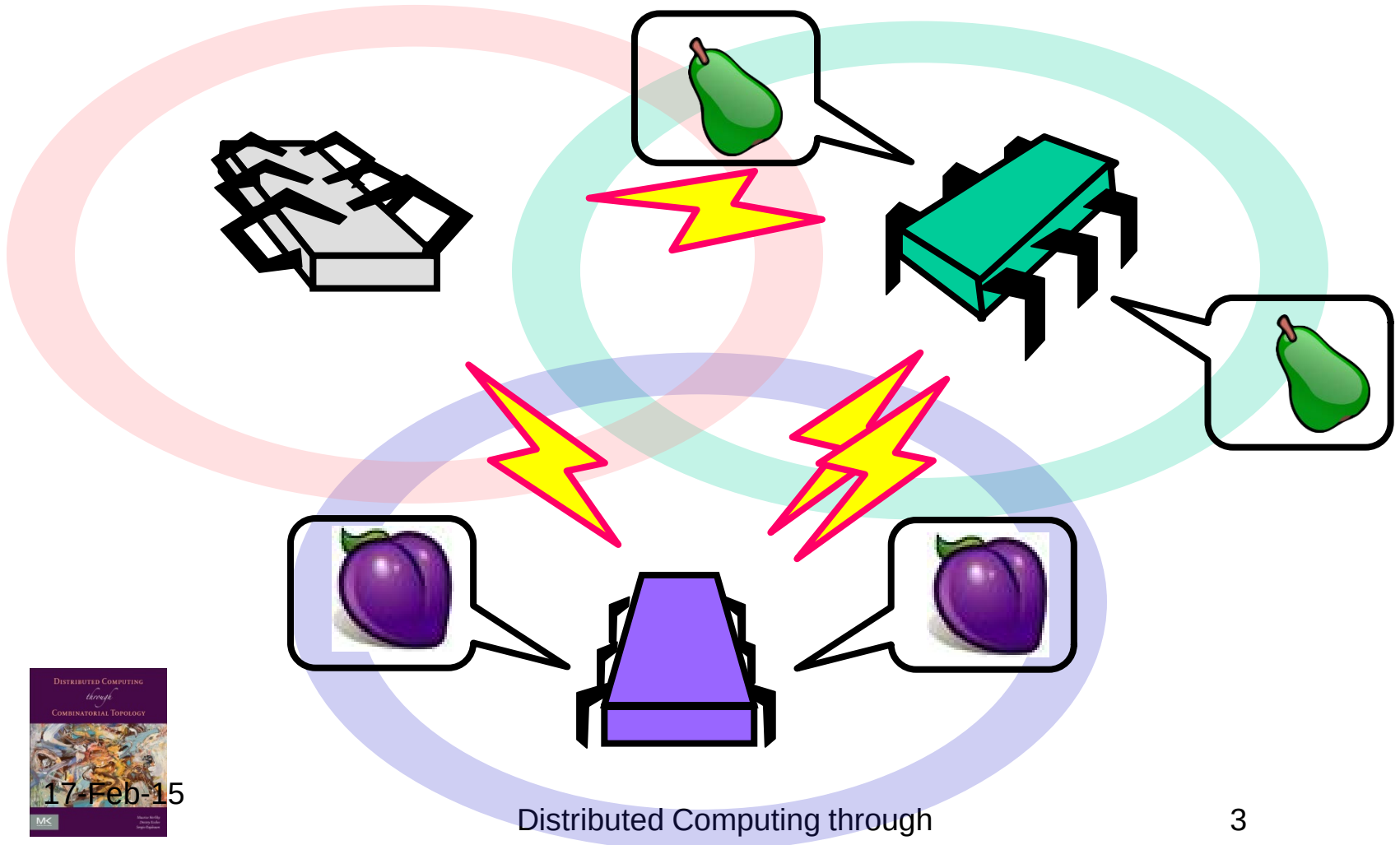


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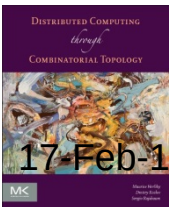
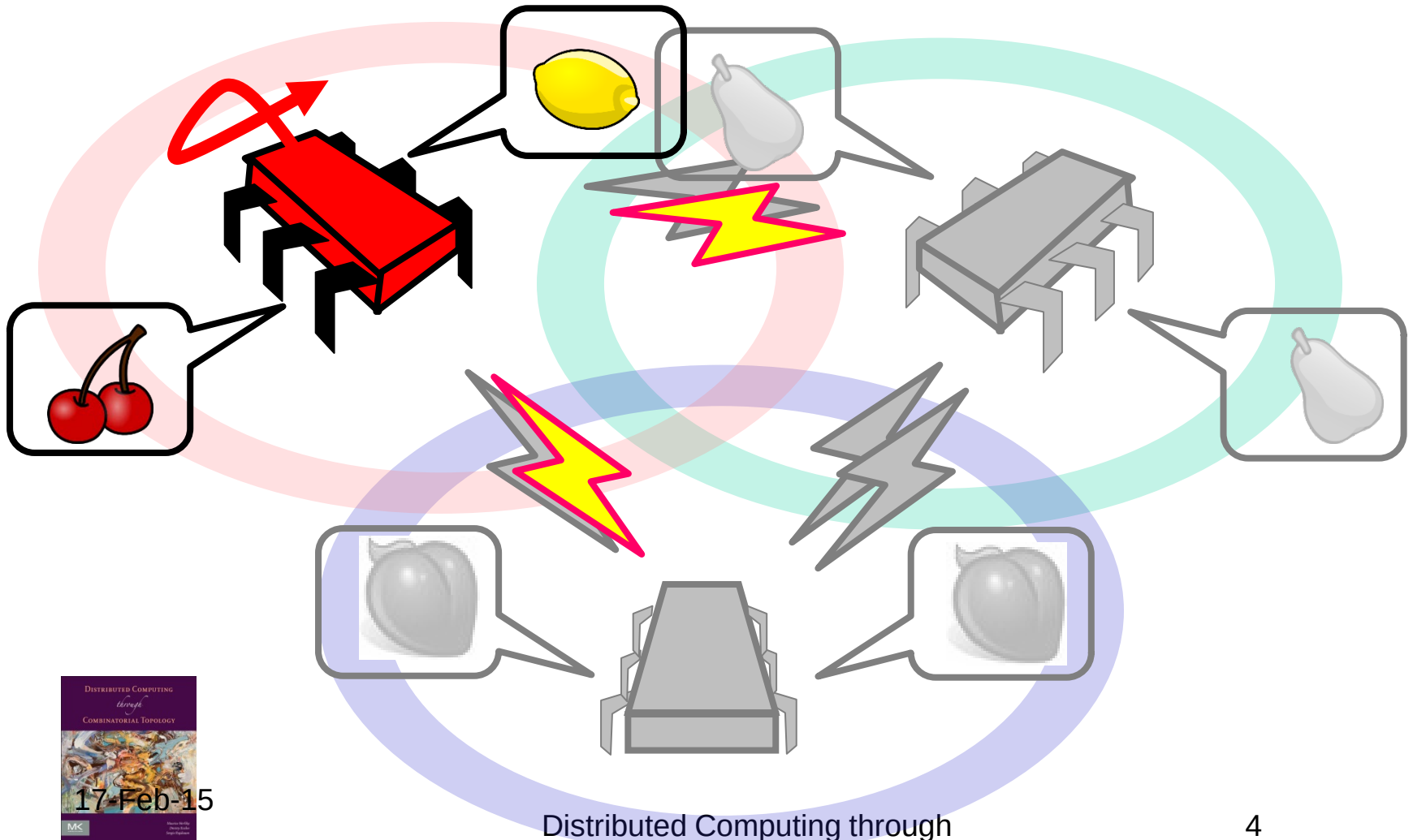
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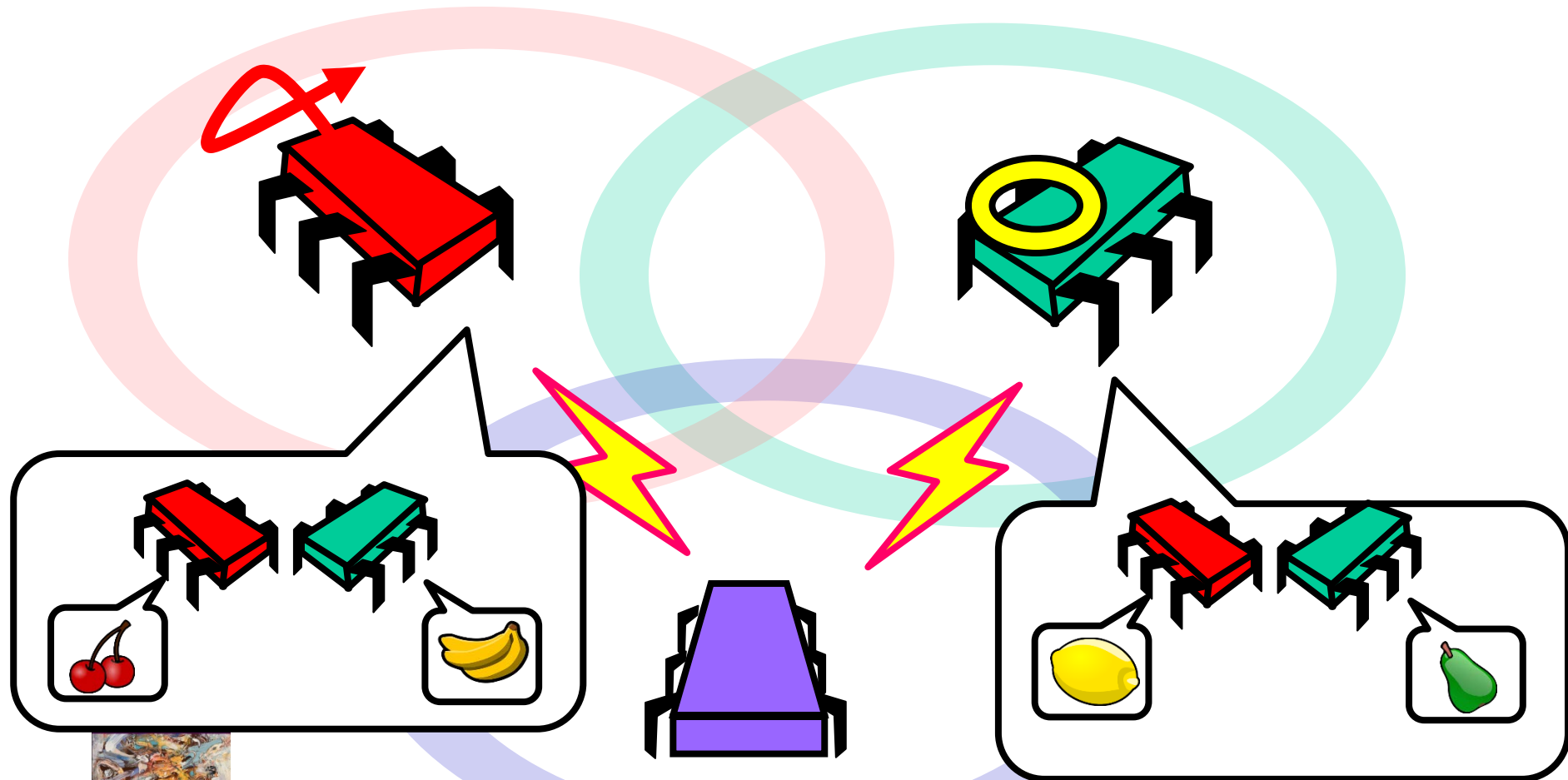
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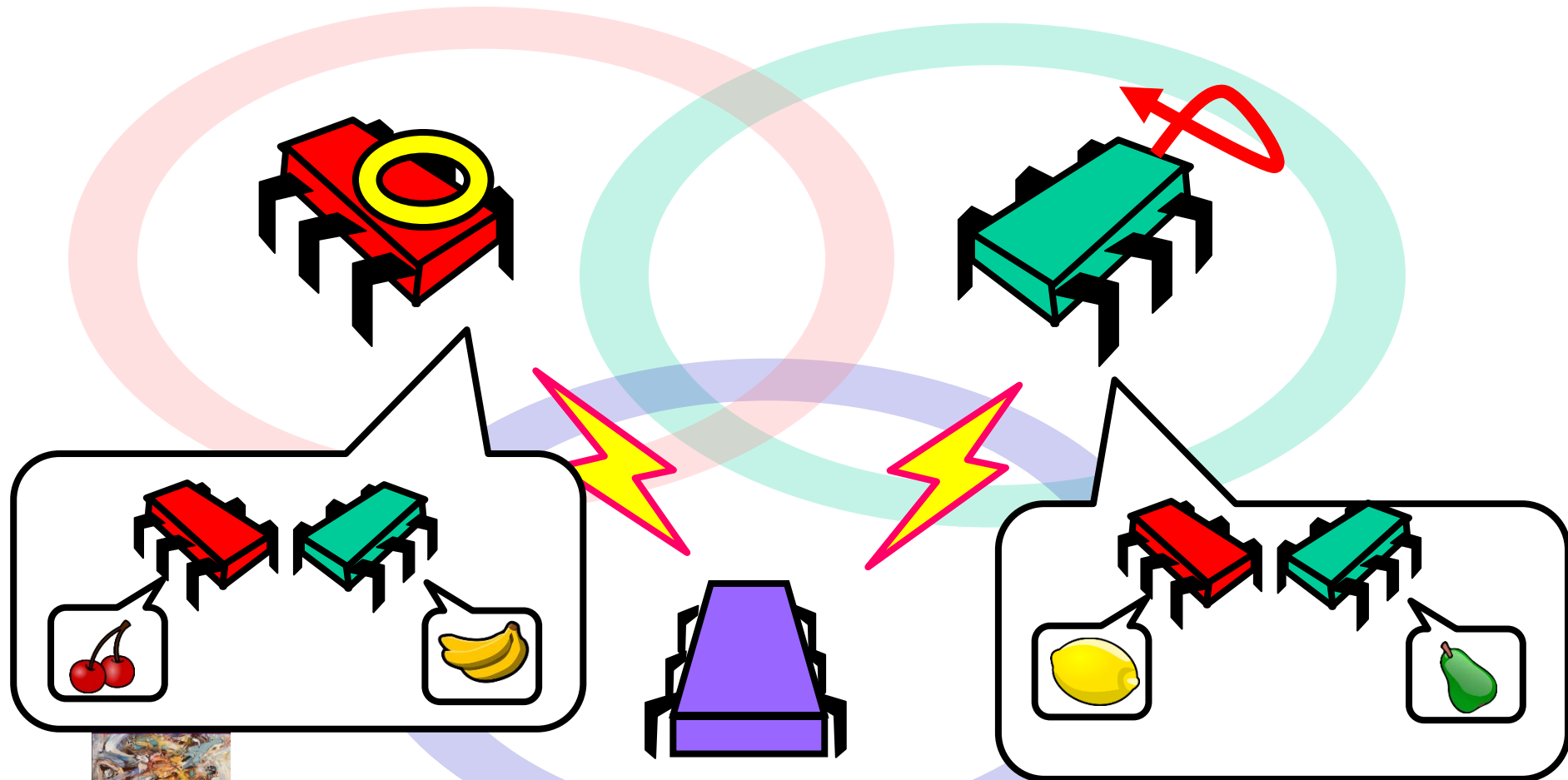
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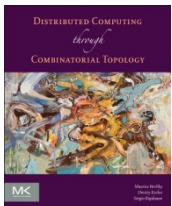
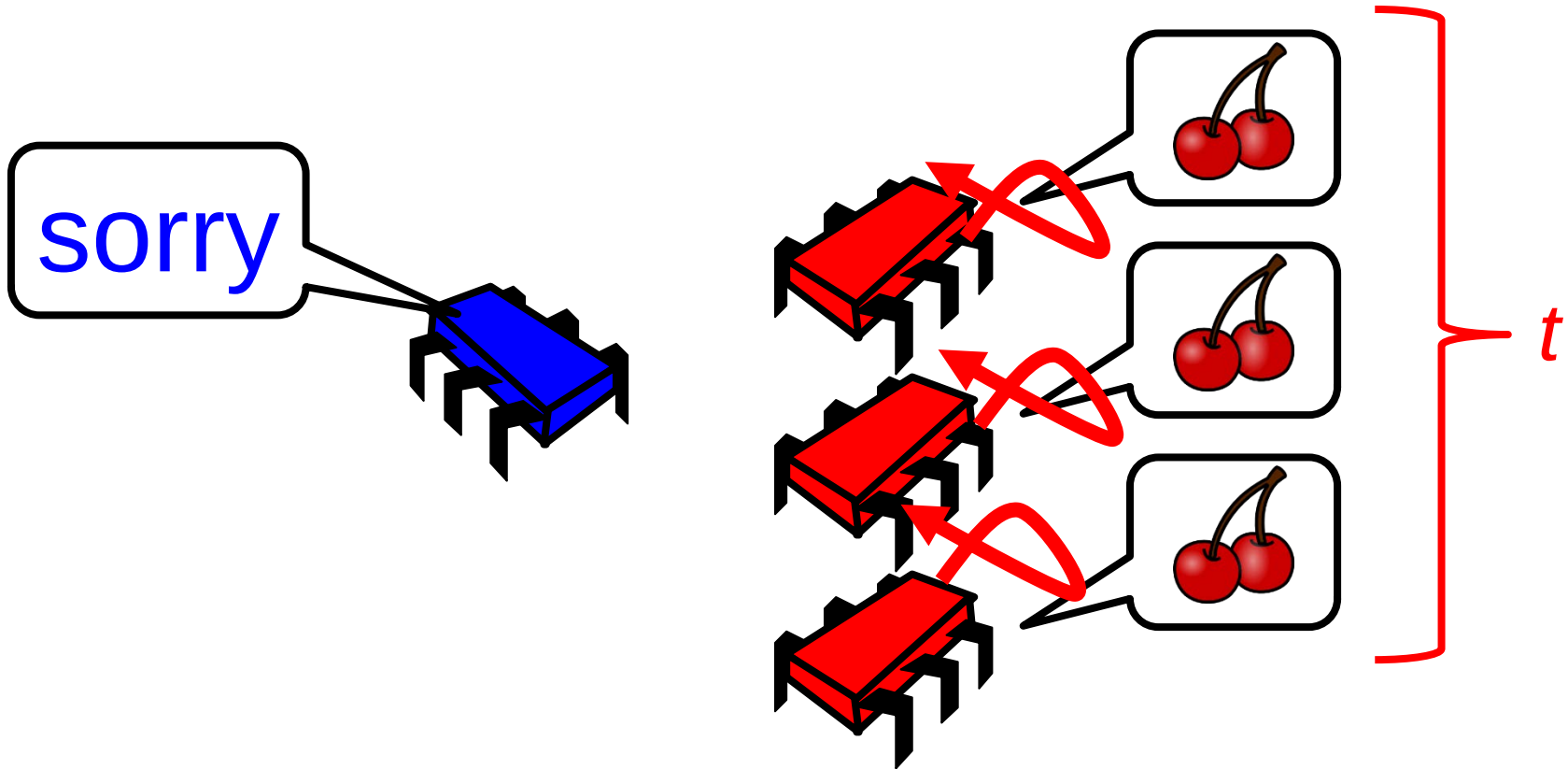
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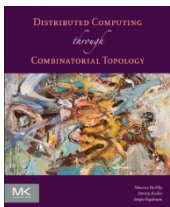
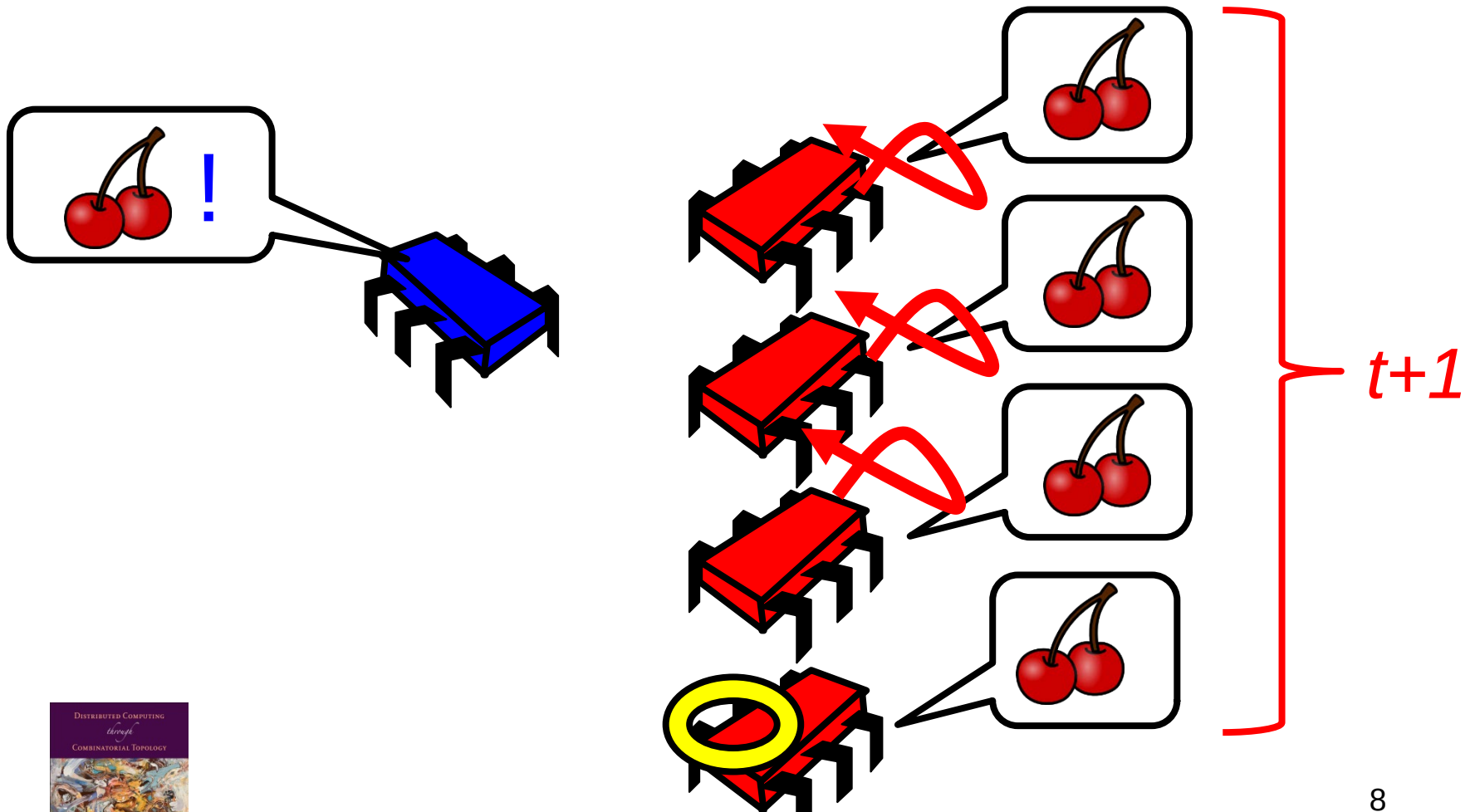
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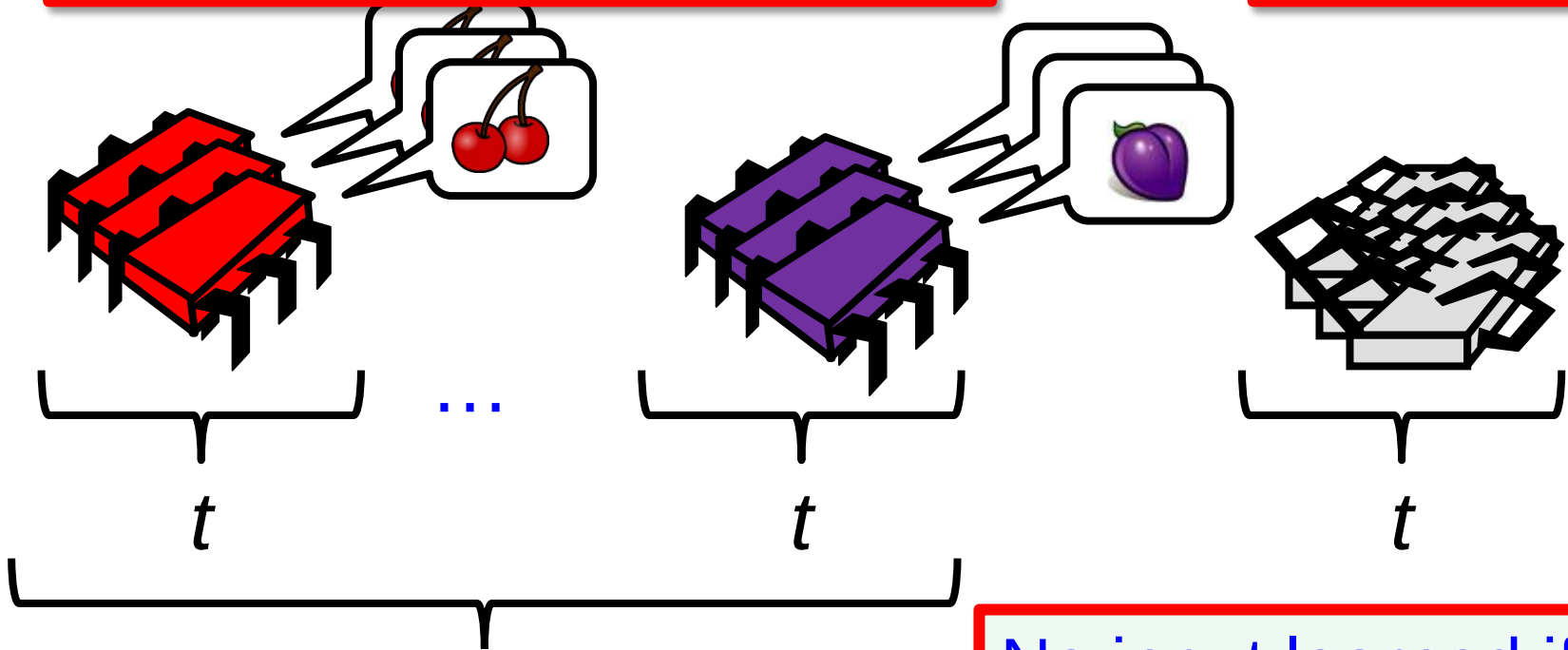
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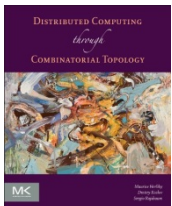
Nothing Learned

each input reported by only t

t are silent



No input learned if
 $n+1 \leq (\dim \mathcal{I} + 2) t$



Requirement

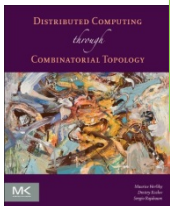
requirement that:

$$n+1 > (\dim \mathcal{I} + 2) t$$

means t is “pretty small”

Byzantine is harder!

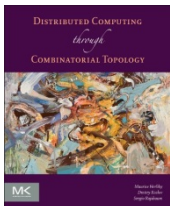
$\dim \mathcal{I}$ irrelevant for crash failures



Strict Tasks

$$\Delta(\sigma_0) \cap \Delta(\sigma_1) = \Delta(\sigma_0 \cap \sigma_1)$$

usually require only $\subseteq$



Main Result

$(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \Delta)$ has a wait-free Byzantine protocol ...

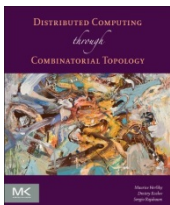
if and only if ...

there is a continuous map

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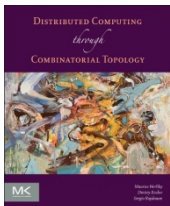
where $n+1 > (\dim \mathcal{I} + 2) t$



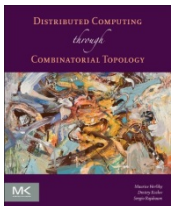
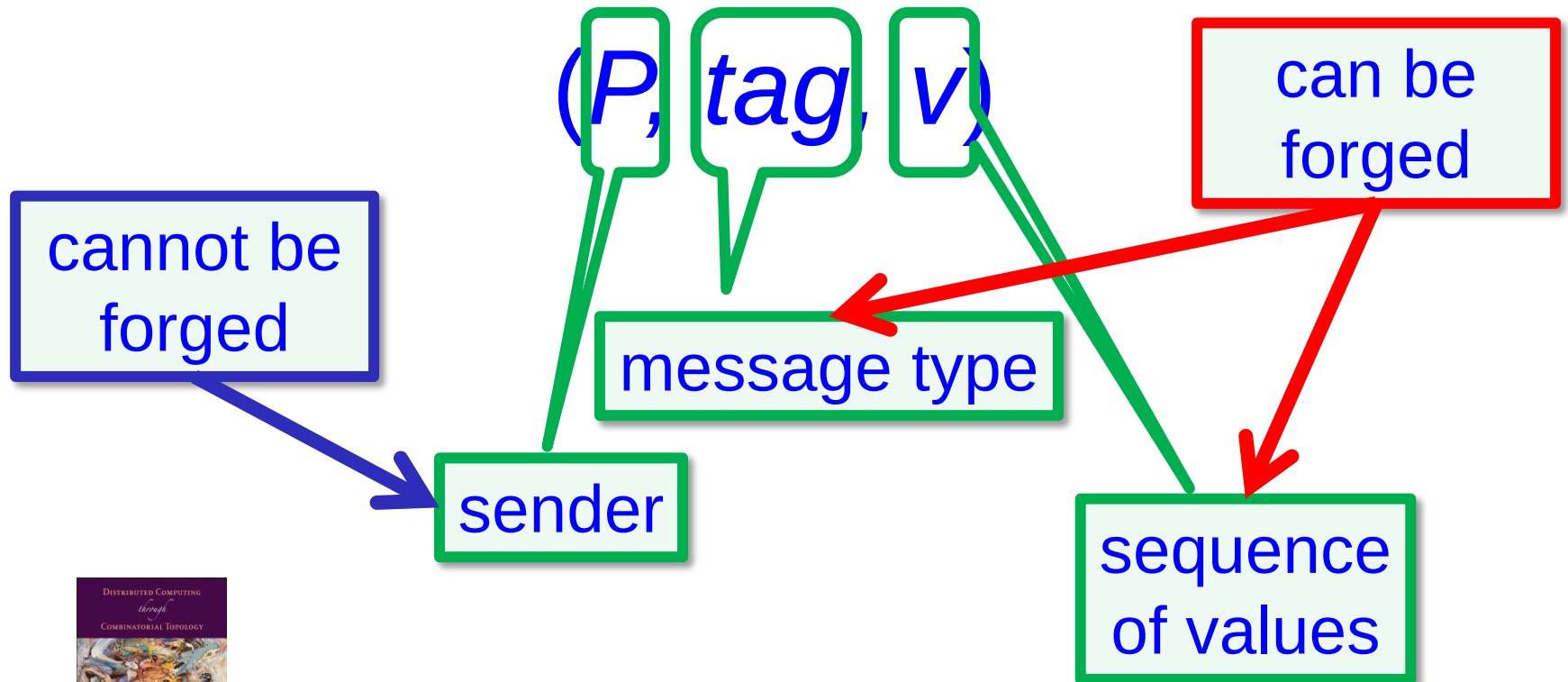
Communication

message-passing

asynchronous layers

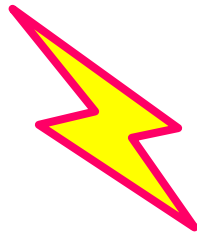


Messages

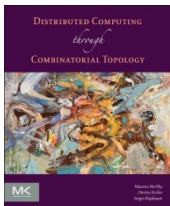


Reliable Broadcast

$\text{RBSend}(P, \text{tag}, v)$



$\text{RBReceive}(P, \text{tag}, v)$



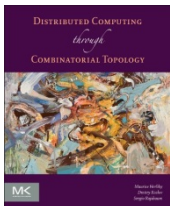
Non-Faulty Integrity

If non-faulty P never broadcasts (P, tag, v) ...

via $RBSend(P, tag, v)$

Non-faulty Q never receives (P, tag, v)

via $RBReceive(P, tag, v)$



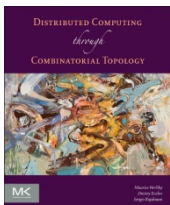
Non-Faulty Liveness

If non-faulty P does broadcast (P, tag, v) ...

via $\text{RBSend}(P, tag, v)$

Every non-faulty Q receives (P, tag, v)

via $\text{RBReceive}(P, tag, v)$



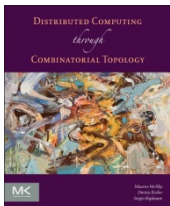
Global Uniqueness

If non-faulty Q, R reliably receive...

(P, tag, v) , (P, tag', v') respectively ...

then $tag = tag'$ and $v = v'$

even if P is faulty



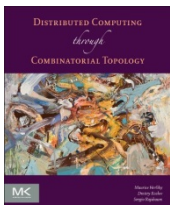
Global Liveness

for non-faulty $Q, R \dots$

if Q reliably receives $(P, tag, v) \dots$

then R reliably receives $(P, tag, v) \dots$

even if P is faulty

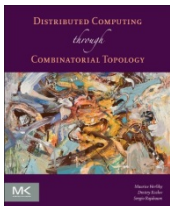


Summary

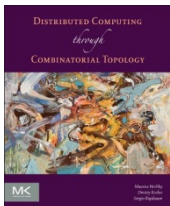
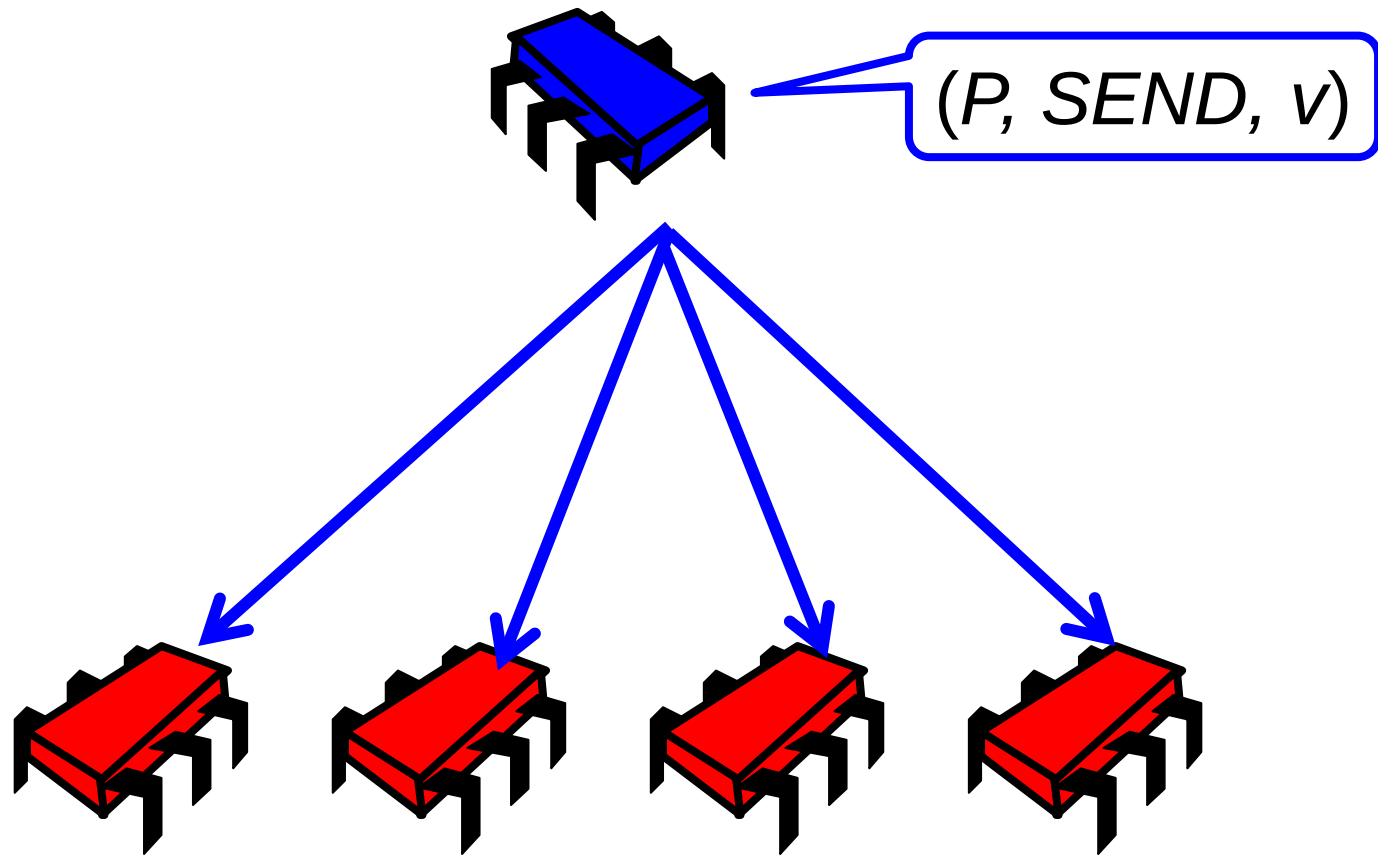
The only way

a Byzantine process can misbehave

is by sending the *same* fake value to everyone



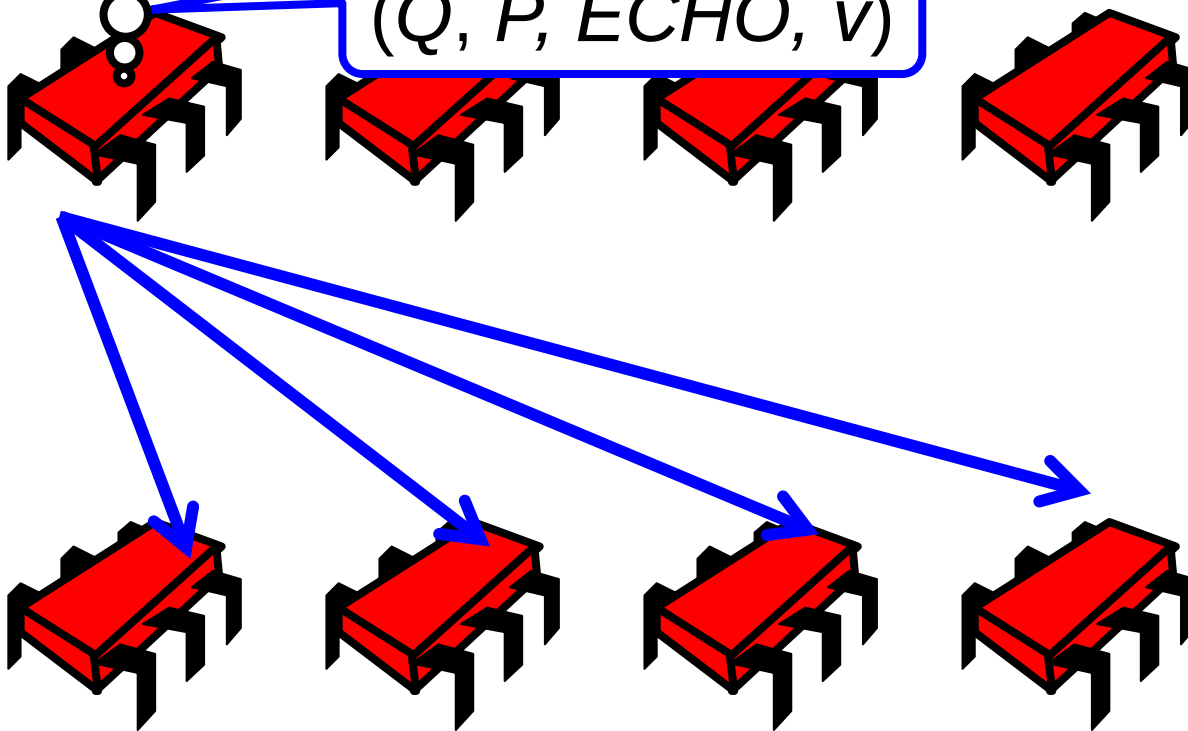
RBSend Phase 1



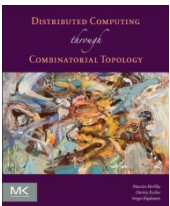
Phase 2

first
(P, SEND, v) ?

(Q, P, ECHO, v)



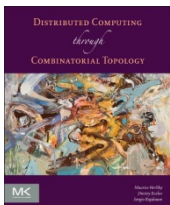
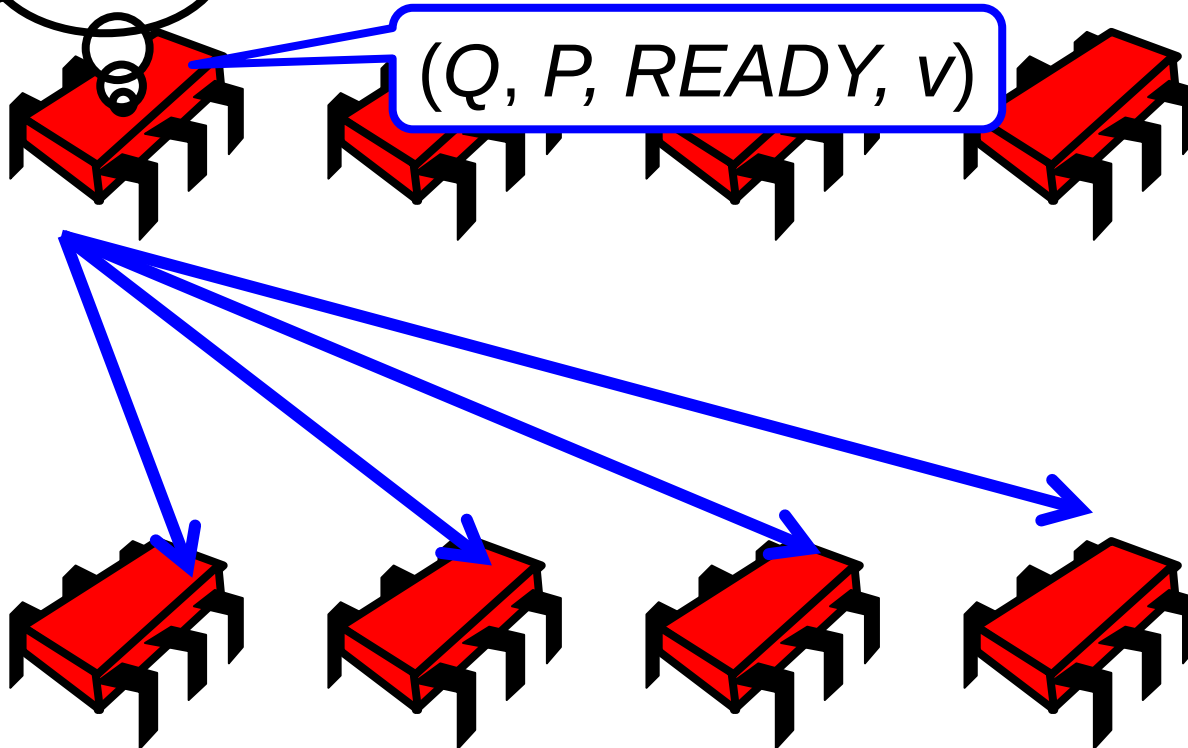
background loop



nd Phase 3

1st time received
(*, P , ECHO, v)
from $n+1-t$?

(Q , P , READY, v)



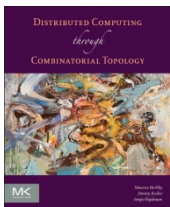
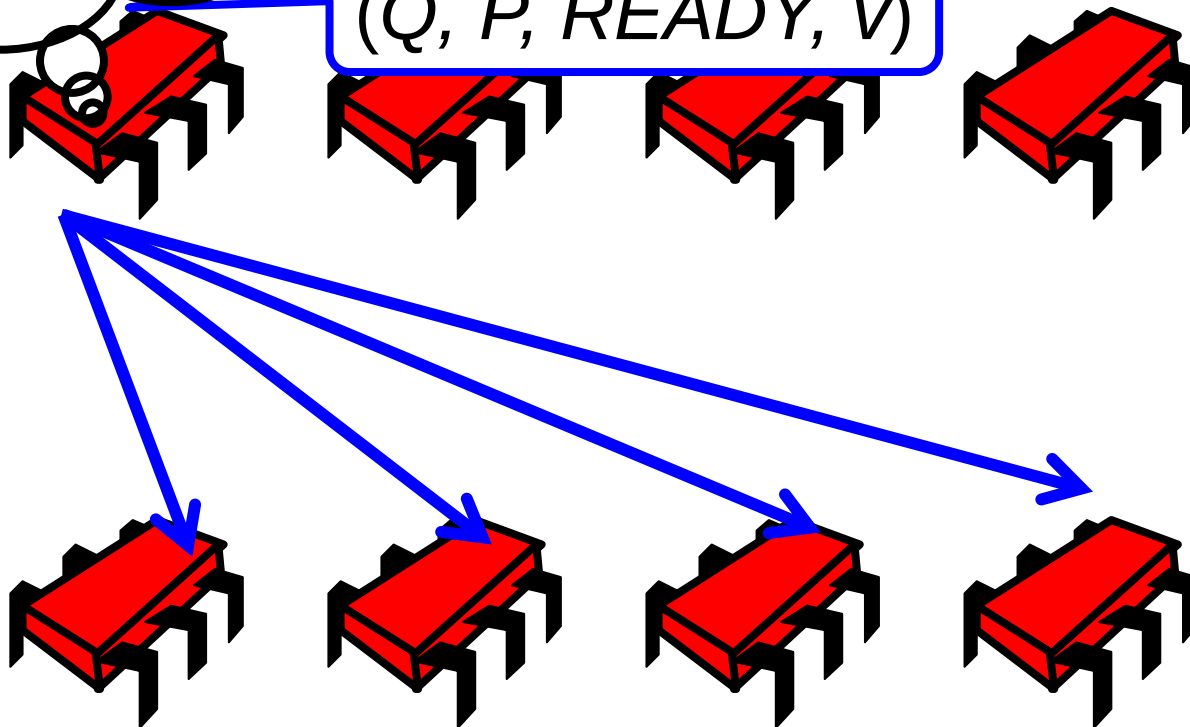
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Combinatorial Topology

Send Phase 4

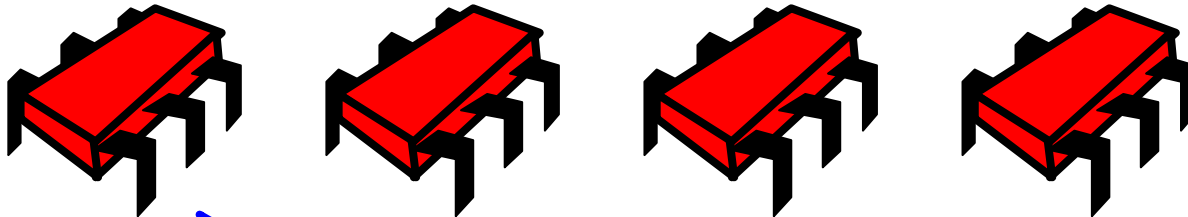
1st time received
(*,P,READY,v)
from $t+1$?

(Q, P, READY, v)

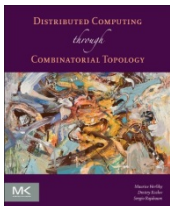


DBSend Phase 5

1st time received
($*$, P , $READY$, v)
from $n-t+1$?



deliver (P , v)



Lemma: Non-Faulty Integrity

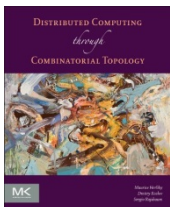
Suppose non-faulty P reliably receives (Q, v) from non-faulty Q

P must have received $n+1-t$ $(*, READY, Q, v)$ messages

At least $n+1-2t$ non-faulty processes sent $(*, ECHO, Q, v)$

Let R be the first

R must have received $(Q, SEND, v)$ from Q



Lemma: Non-Faulty Liveness

Non-faulty P broadcasts $(P, SEND, v)$

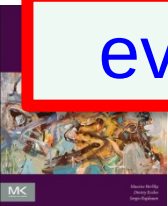
eventually received by $n+1-t$
non-faulty processes

each sends $(*, ECHO, P, v)$

eventually receives $n+1-t$ $(*, ECHO, P, v)$

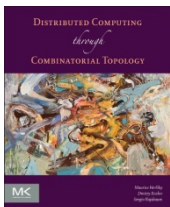
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eventually receives $n+1-t$ $(*, READY, P, v)$



Lemma: Global Uniqueness

The uniqueness tests ensure that any process that broadcasts $(*, ECHO, P, v)$ or $(*, READY, P, v)$ will not broadcast $(*, ECHO, P, v')$ or $(*, READY, P, v)$ where $v \neq v'$.



Lemma: Global Liveness

Non-faulty Q reliably receives (P, v) ...

R another non-faulty process

Q received $\geq n+1-t$ $(*, READY, P, v)$

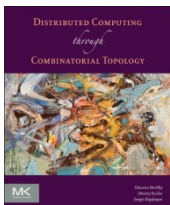
$\geq n+1-2t$ from non-faulty

if $\geq t+1$ non-faulty send $(*, READY, P, v)$

every non-faulty will receive & rebroadcast

every non-faulty eventually receives $n+1-t$

and delivers



Reading a Value

getQuorum(Tag: tag): Set of Message

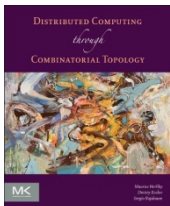
$M := \emptyset$

while $|M| < n+1-t$ or $\text{trusted}(M) = \emptyset$ do

upon **RBReceive(Q, tag, v) do**

$M := M \cup \{(Q, tag, v)\}$

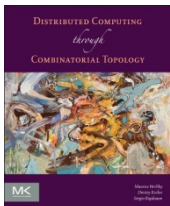
return M



Reading a Value

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  return  $M$ 
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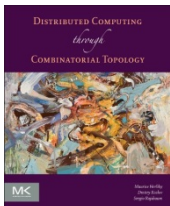
returns set of messages (values)



Reading a Value

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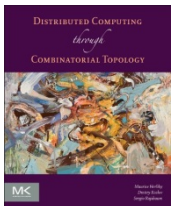
wait to hear from all but t



Reading a Value

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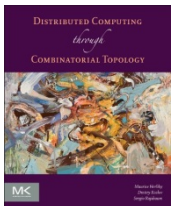
values reported by $t+1$



Reading a Value

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```

wait until you learn a trusted value

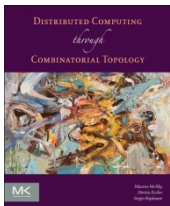


Reading a Value

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  return  $M$ 
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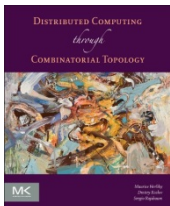
safe to wait for both (why?)

returns ≥ 1 trusted values



Set Agreement

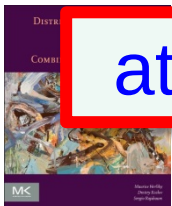
```
SetAgree(v): value  
  RBSend(P, INPUT, v)  
  M: Set of Message := getQuorum(INPUT)  
  return min Trusted(M)
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at most t lower values missing



Barycentric Agreement

$R_i[j]$ = messages received by P_i from P_j

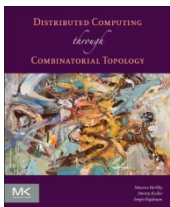
$R_i := (\emptyset, \dots, \emptyset)$

$M_i := \emptyset$

$B_i := \emptyset$

M_i = messages received by P_i

$B_i = P_i$'s *buddies*: processes that reported same set of vertices



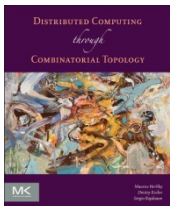
Barycentric Agreement (1)

reliably broadcast my input vertex

RBSend(P_i , INPUT, v)

$M_i := \text{getQuorum}(\text{INPUT})$

reliably receive others' input vertices



Barycentric Agreement (2)

record newly-learned input vertices

```
background // run forever
upon RReceive( $P_j$ , INPUT,  $u$ ) do
     $M_i := M_i \cup \{u\}$ 
    RBSend( $P_i$ , REPORT,  $M_i$ )
```

forward set of vertices with REPORT tag



Barycentric
until I have $n+1-t$ buddies...

while $|B_i| < n+1-t$ do

upon $\text{RBReceive}(P_j, \text{REPORT}, M_j)$ do

$R_i[j] := M_j$

$B_i := \{P: R_i[l] = M_i, 0 \leq l \leq n\}$

return $\text{trusted}(M_i)$

accumulate new reports ...

return set of trusted input vertices.

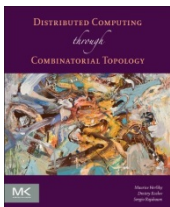


Lemma

Sequence of M_i vertex sets reliably broadcast by P_i are monotonically increasing as sent & as received

When sent, by construction ...

when received, because FIFO message channels



Lemma: Protocol Terminates

Suppose BWOC P_i runs forever ...

Eventually M_i assumes final value M ...

Non-faulty P_j , with M_j , receives M

P_j must have sent M_j to P_i

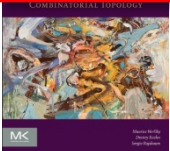
$M_j \subset M$

OR

$M_j = M$

P_j will sent M to P_i

P_j has sent M to P_i



All M_i, M_j Totally Ordered

If P_i broadcasts $M^{(0)}, \dots, M^{(k)}$, then $M^{(i)} \subset M^{(i+1)}$

To decide ...

P_i received M_i from X , $|X| \geq n+1-t$

P_j received M_j from Y , $|Y| \geq n+1-t$

some $P_k \in X \cap Y$ sent both M_i, M_j

so M_i, M_j are ordered.



Lemma

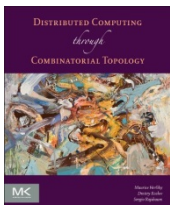
Non-faulty P_i and P_j have

$$|M_i \cap M_j| \geq n+1-t$$

$\text{trusted}(M_i \cap M_j) \neq \emptyset$

$M_i \subseteq M_j$ or $M_j \subseteq M_i$

proof in book



Byzantine Computability

if $n+1 > (\dim \mathcal{I} + 2) t$

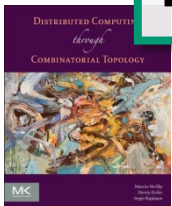
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if and only if ...

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$f: |\text{skel}^t \mathcal{I}| \rightarrow |\mathcal{O}|$

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Map Implies Protocol

$$f: |\text{skel}^t \mathcal{I}| \rightarrow |\mathcal{O}|$$

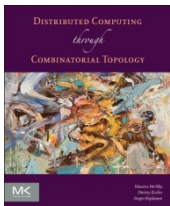
$$\phi: \text{Bary}^N \text{skel}^t \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$$

carried by Δ .

Solve using ...

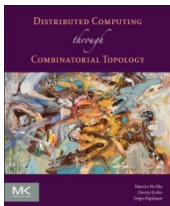
barycentric agreement

t -set agreement



Protocol implies Map

reduction to crash-failure model



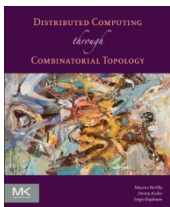
Lower Bound

A strict colorless task $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \Delta)$ is *trivial* if there is a simplicial map

$$\phi: \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$$

carried by Δ .

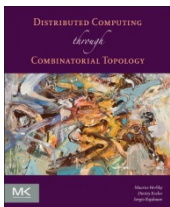
(A trivial task can be solved without communication)



Theorem

If a strict colorless task $(\mathcal{I}, \mathcal{O}, \Delta)$ has a protocol, where $n+1 \leq (\dim \mathcal{I} + 2) t$ then that task is trivial

(A trivial task can be solved without communication)



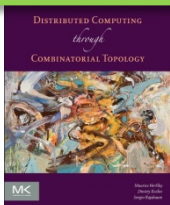
Proof

Let $\sigma = \{v_0, \dots, v_d\}$ be a d -simplex of $\mathcal{I}$

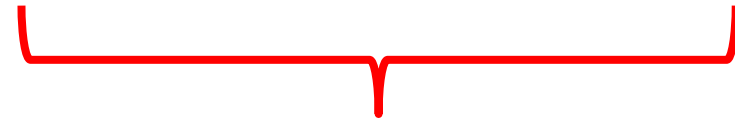
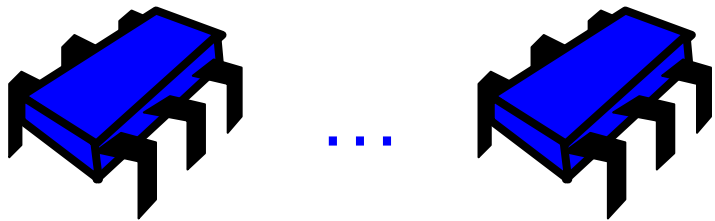
consider an execution where ...

P_i has input $v_{i \bmod d+1}$

no failures



Proof



$$S = \{P_0, \dots, P_{n-t}\}$$

$$T = \{P_{n+1-t}, \dots, P_n\}$$

$$S_i = \{P \mid P \text{ in } S \text{ has input } v_i\}$$

P_i decides u_i

no communication

Proof

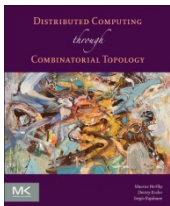
If $u_i \in \Delta(\sigma_i)$ and ...

$u_i \in \Delta(\sigma_i')$ then ...

$u_i \in \Delta(\sigma_i \cap \sigma_i')$ so ...

there is a unique minimal σ_i such that

$u_i \in \Delta(\sigma_i)$

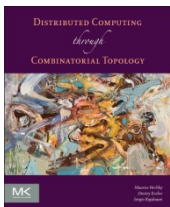


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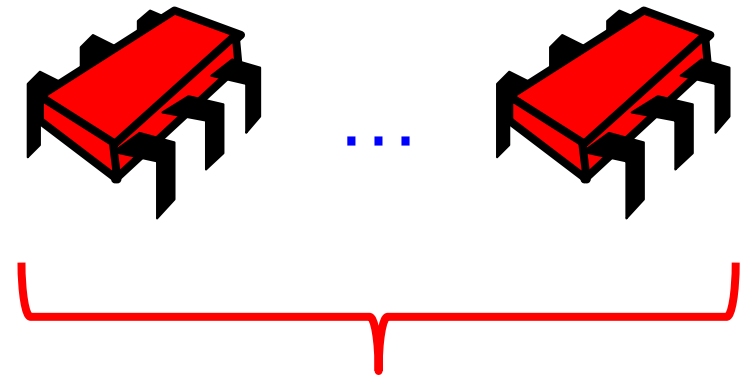
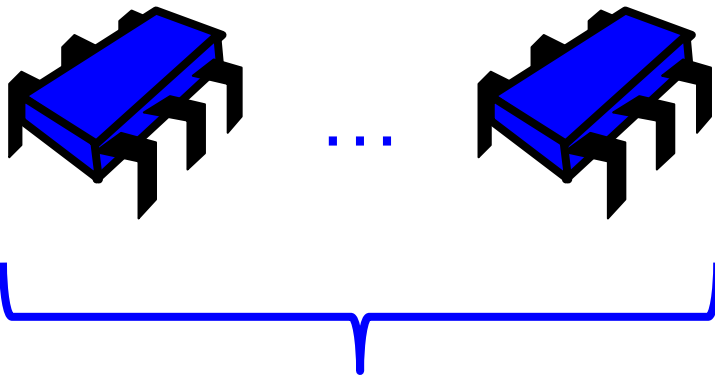
If all $\sigma_i = \{v_i\}$ then the task is trivial.

so some minimal $\sigma_i = \{v_i, v_j\}$

Every simplex τ such that $u_i \in \Delta(\tau)$ contains v_j



Proof



S_j change input to v_j

T have input v_j

S_j are Byzantine, still claim v_j

P_i still decides u_i

no communication

$u_i \in \Delta(\sigma_i \setminus \{v_j\})$ contradiction

through

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