

Non-Uniform Graph Partitioning

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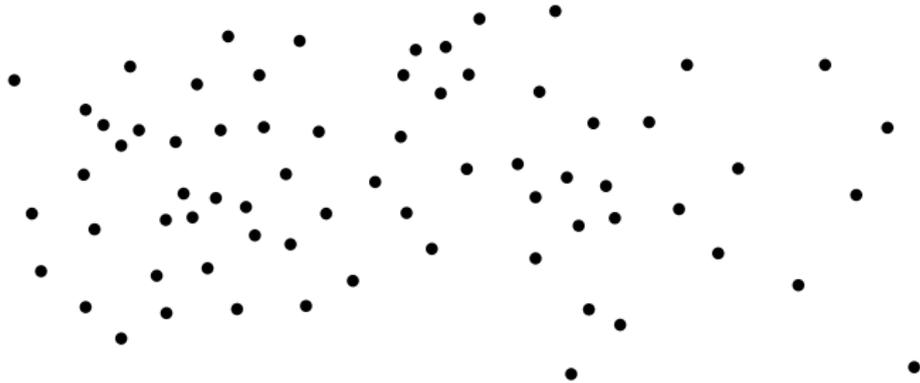
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- Number of parts k might depend on n .
- Capacities might be of different magnitudes.

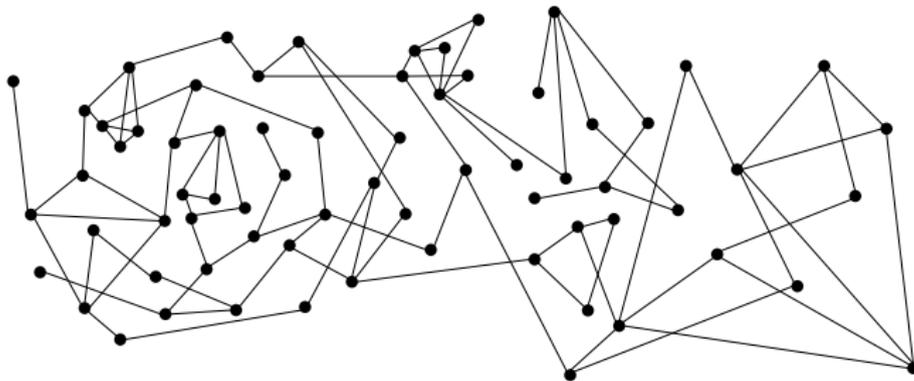
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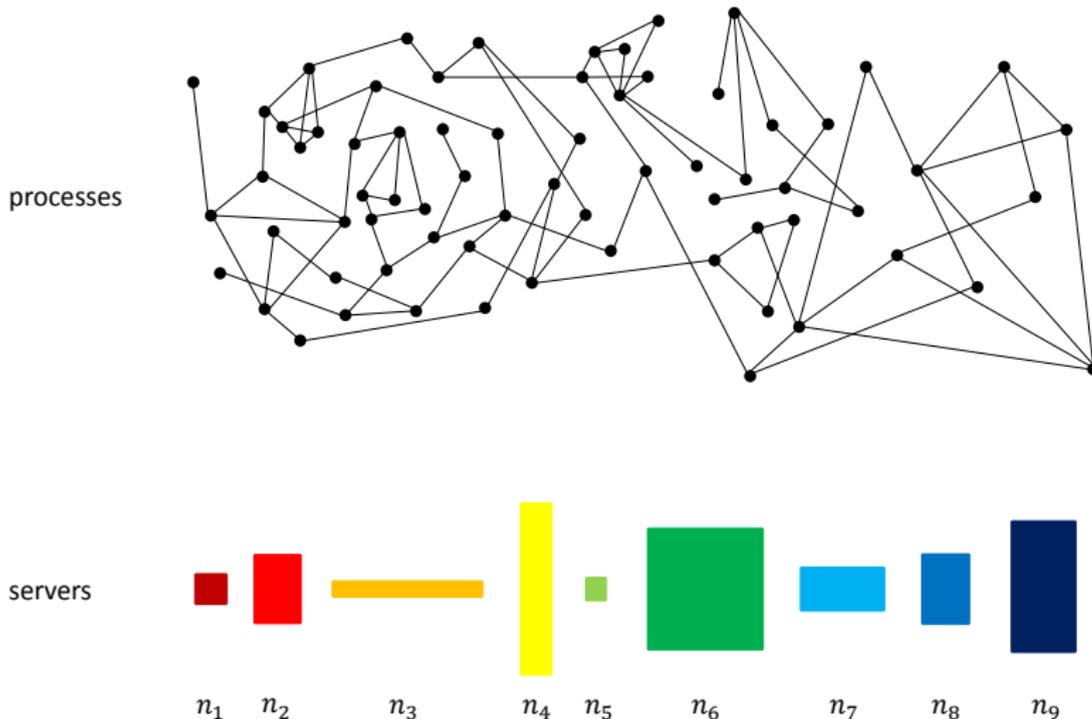


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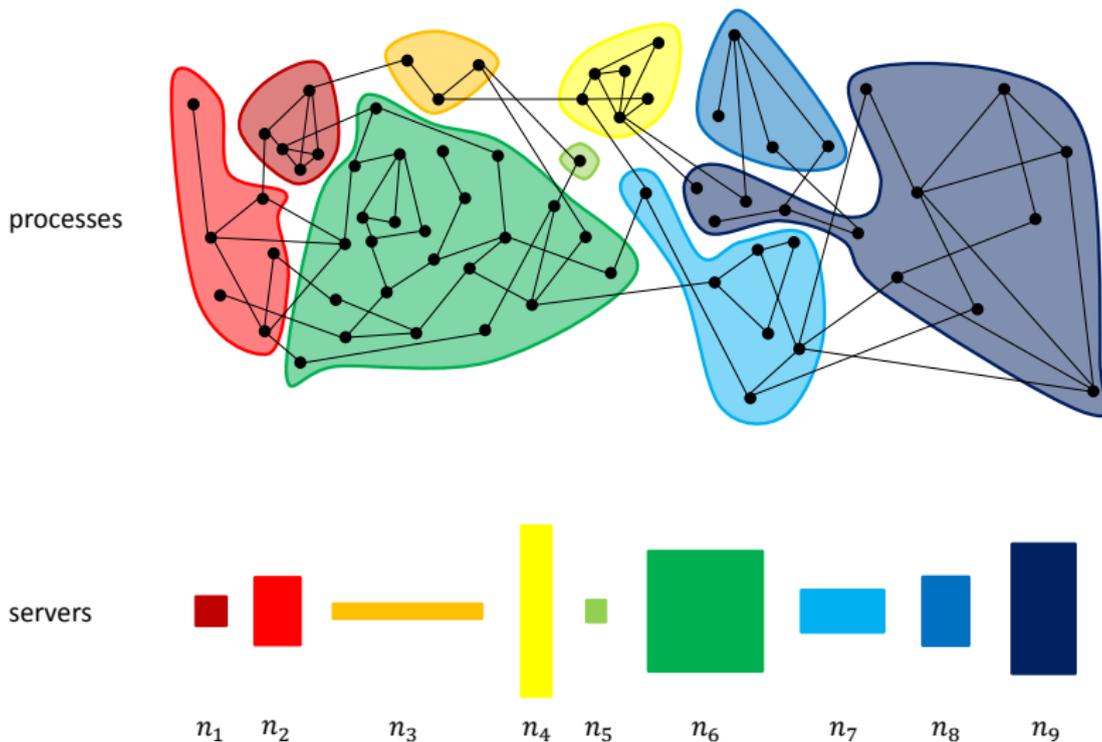
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Practical:

- **Cloud and Parallel Computing:** parallelism.
- **Hardware design:** VLSI layout, circuit testing.
- **Data mining:** clustering.
- **Social network analysis:** community discovery.
- **Vision:** pattern recognition.
- **Scientific Computing:** linear systems.

Related Work

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Worst Case Guarantee

No meaningful known bounds.

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- Min-Bisection: ($k = 2$)

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Related to [Sparsest-Cut](#) and [Min \$b\$ -Balanced-Cut](#).

- Min k -Partitioning: (general k)

NP-Hardness	no true approximation	[Andreev-Räcke-06]
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	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (O(\varepsilon^{-2} \log^{3/2} n), 1 + \varepsilon) \\ (O(\log n), 1 + \varepsilon) \end{array} \right.$	[Andreev-Räcke-06] [Feldmann-Forschini-12]
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Related Work (Cont.)

Capacitated Metric Labeling:

- The same as [Non-Uniform Graph Partitioning](#) with additional assignment costs.

$$\begin{array}{lll} (O(\log n), O(\log k)) & n_j \equiv n/k & \text{[Naor-S-05]} \\ (O(\log n), 1) & \text{constant } k & \text{[Andrews-Hajiaghayi-Karloff-Moitra-11]} \end{array}$$

- $NP \not\subseteq ZPTIME(n^{\text{poly} \log(n)}) \Rightarrow$
No finite approximation that violates capacities by $O(\log^{1/2-\varepsilon} k)$, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$.
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Our Result

Theorem [Krauthgamer-Naor-S-Talwar-13]

There is a bicriteria approximation algorithm achieving a guarantee of:

$$(O(\log n), O(1))$$

for **Non-Uniform Graph Partitioning**.

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- Randomized rounding + concentration via stopping times.

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Solution: Scaling constraints differently. ■

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$$k_i \triangleq |W_i|$$

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Rounding - General Approach

- 1 $H_i \leftarrow \emptyset$ for every $i = 1, \dots, \ell$.
- 2 While $V \neq \emptyset$:
 - Choose $j \sim \text{Unif}[1, \dots, k]$.
 - Choose $S \in \mathcal{F}_j$ w.p. $x_{S,j}$.
 - Let r be the mega-bucket s.t. $j \in W_r$.
 - $H_r \leftarrow H_r \cup \{S \cap V\}$.
 - $V \leftarrow V \setminus S$.

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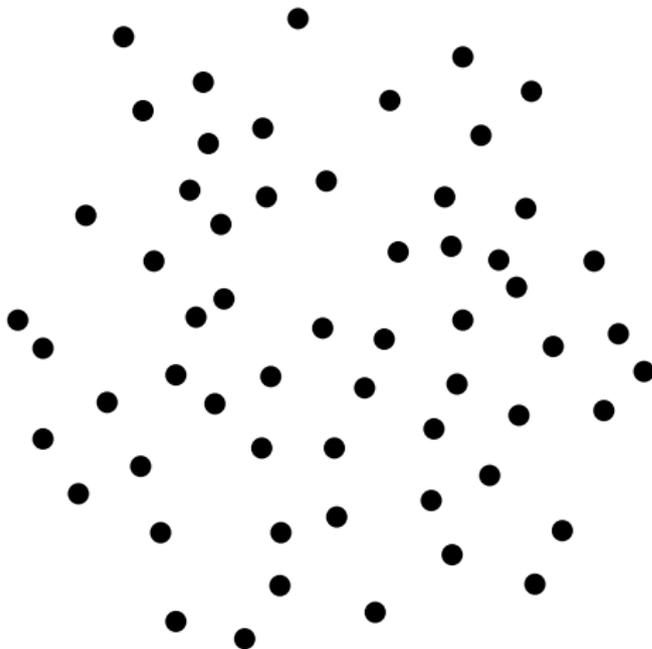
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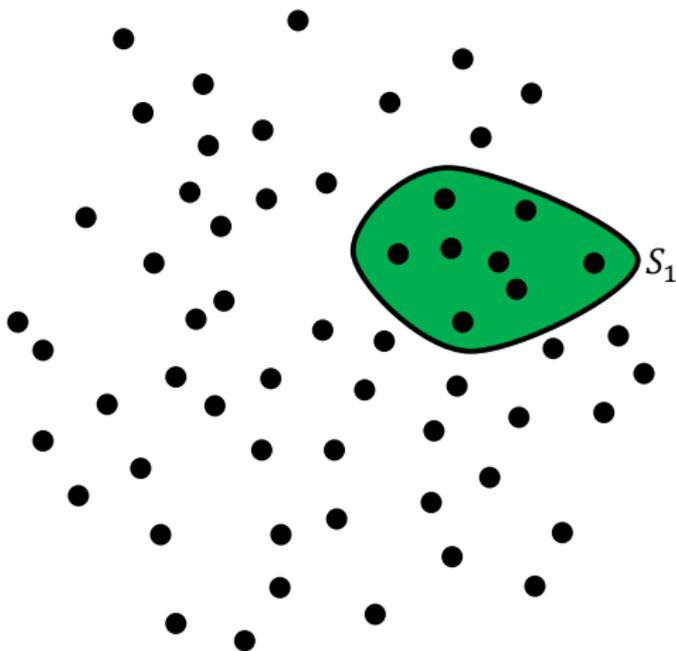
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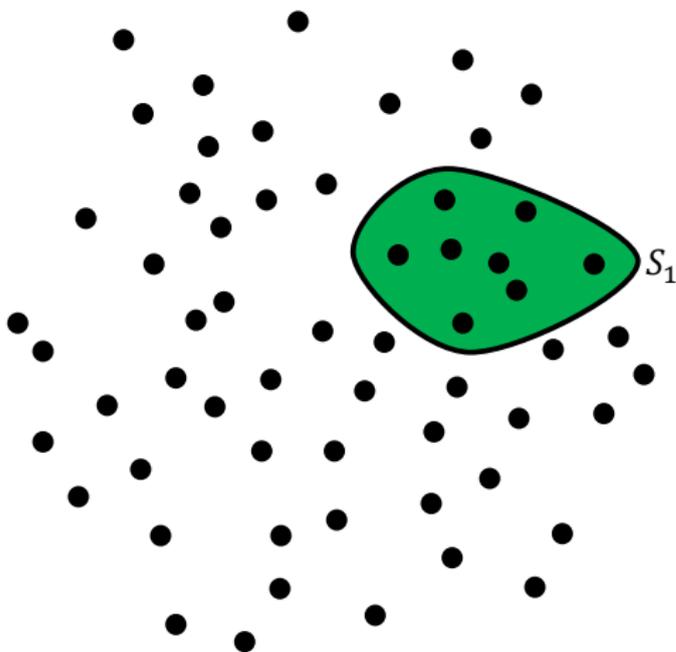
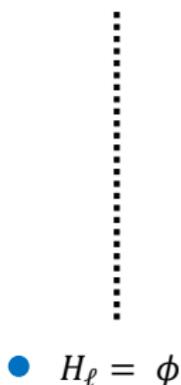
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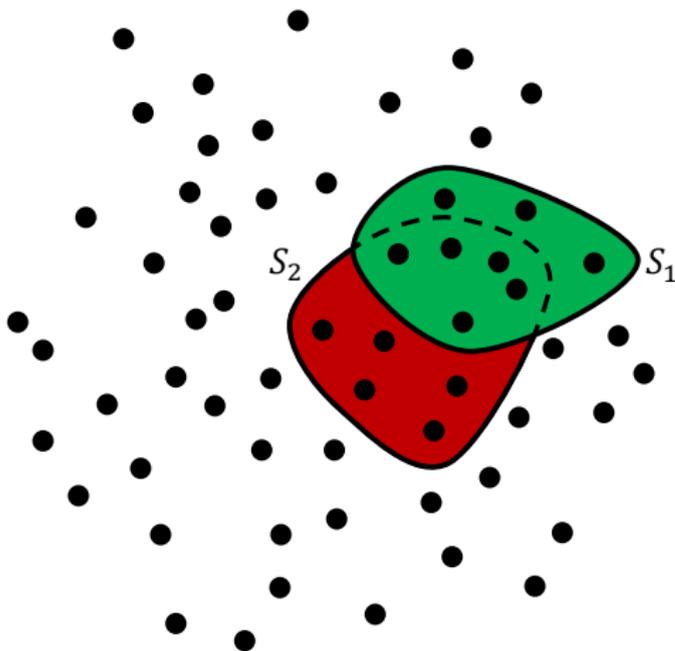


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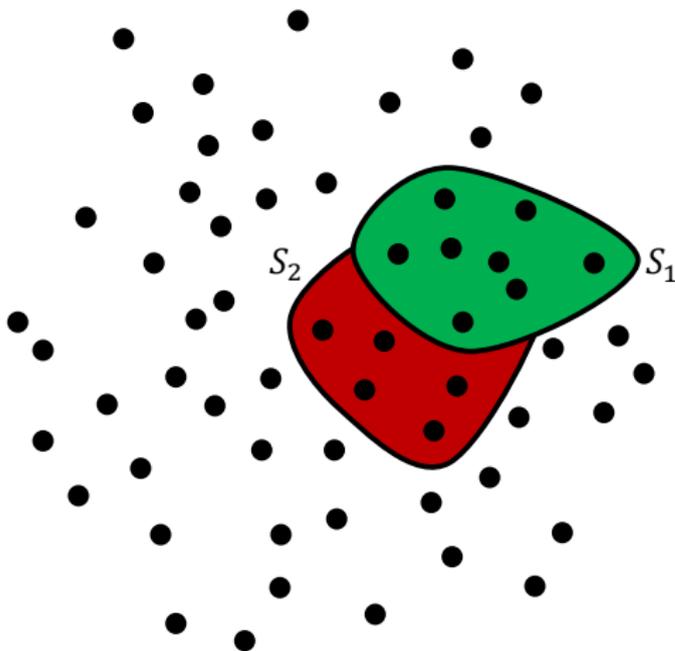
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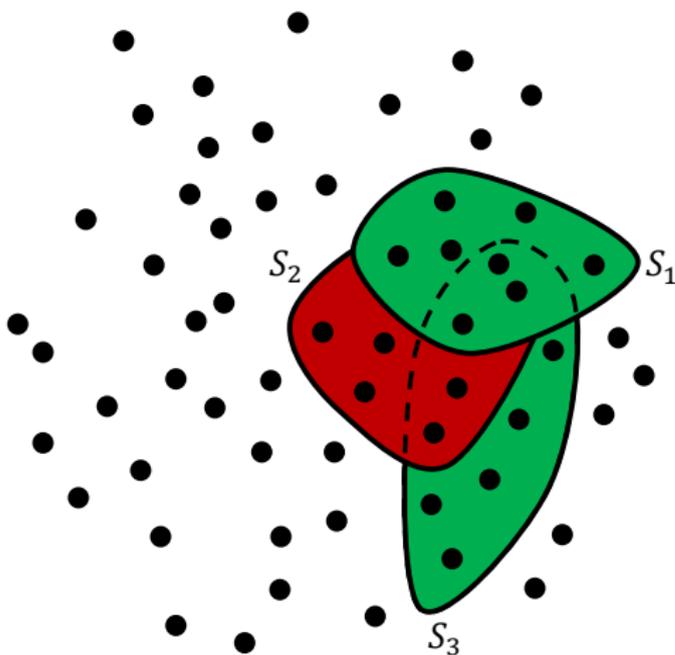
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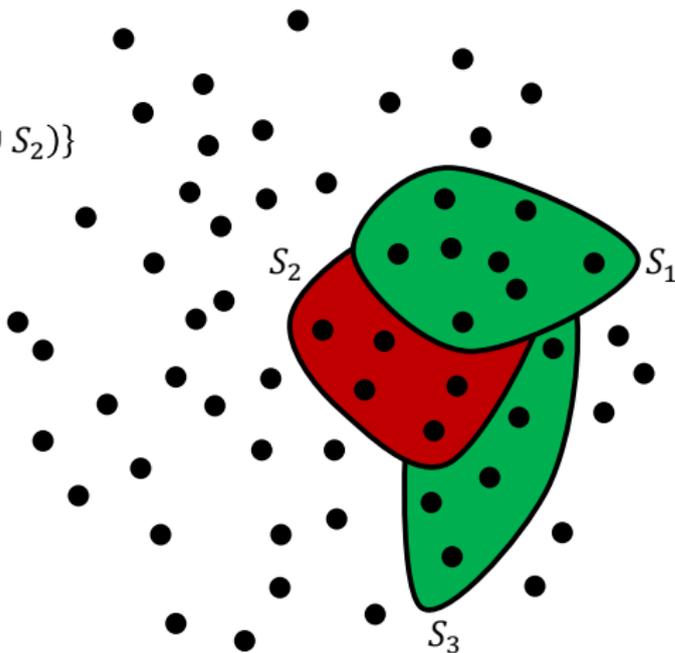
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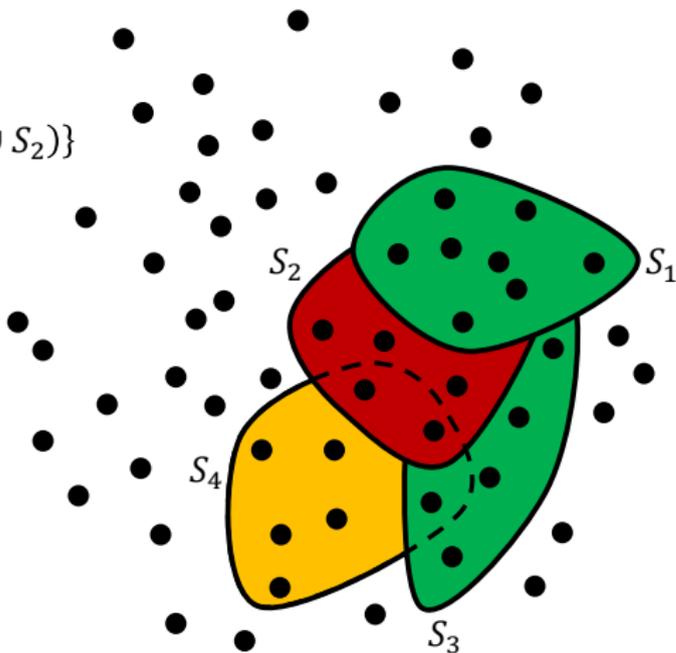
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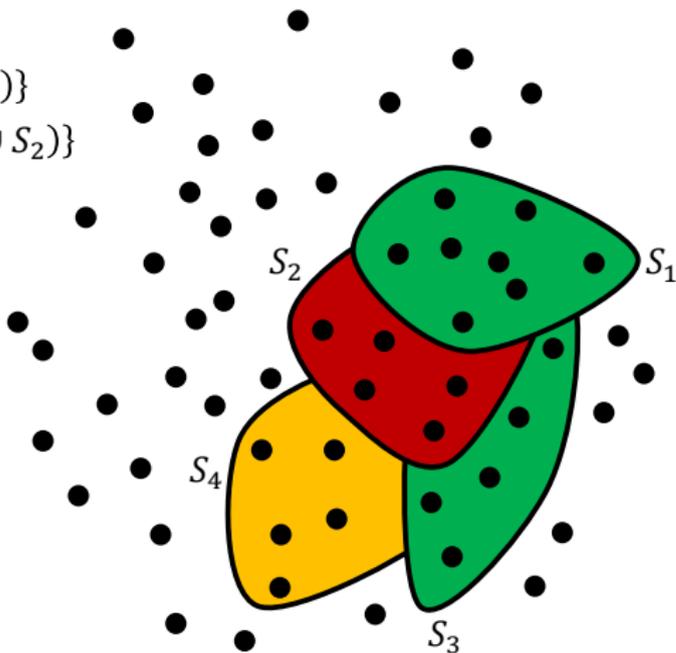


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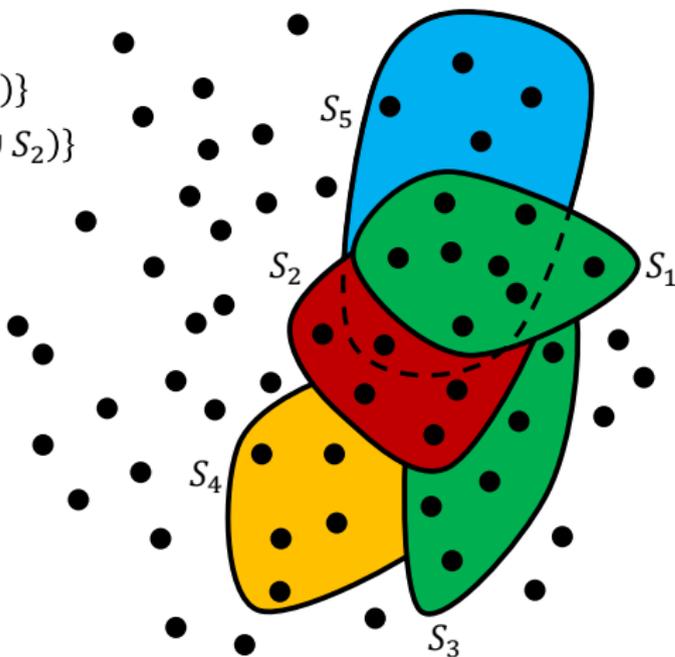
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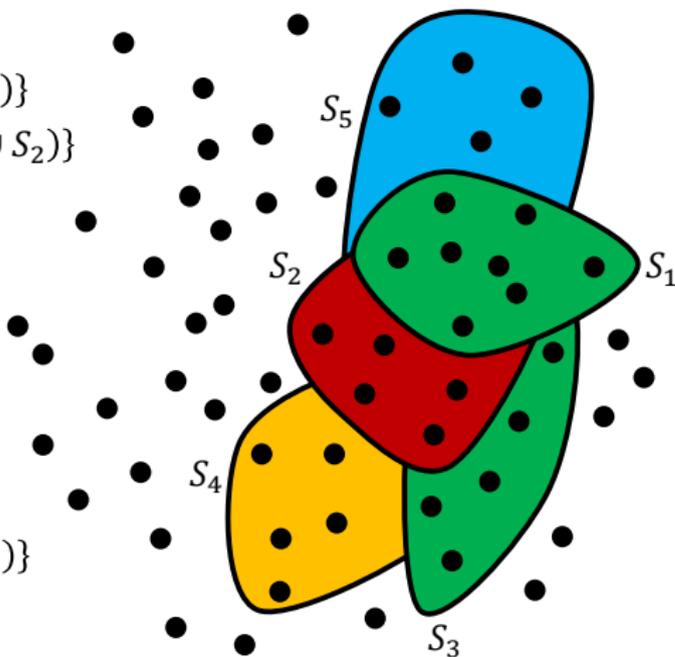
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Theorem - Cost Analysis

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{cost}(\text{ALG})] \leq 2 \cdot \text{cost}(\mathcal{P}) .$$

Proof Outline:

$$\Pr[u \text{ and } v \text{ covered in different iterations}] \leq \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{S \in \mathcal{F}_j: (u,v) \in \delta(S)} x_{S,j} .$$



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Note:

- For every t a **different** conditioning might be chosen.
- Martingale concentration via bounded variances (Bernstein) is not sufficient:

$$\sum_{t \geq 1} v_{i,t} \text{ might be too big!}$$

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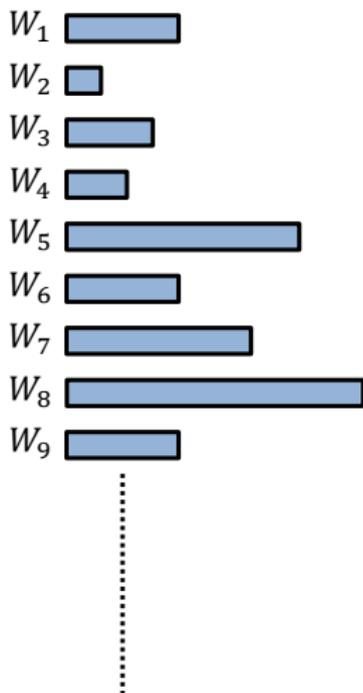
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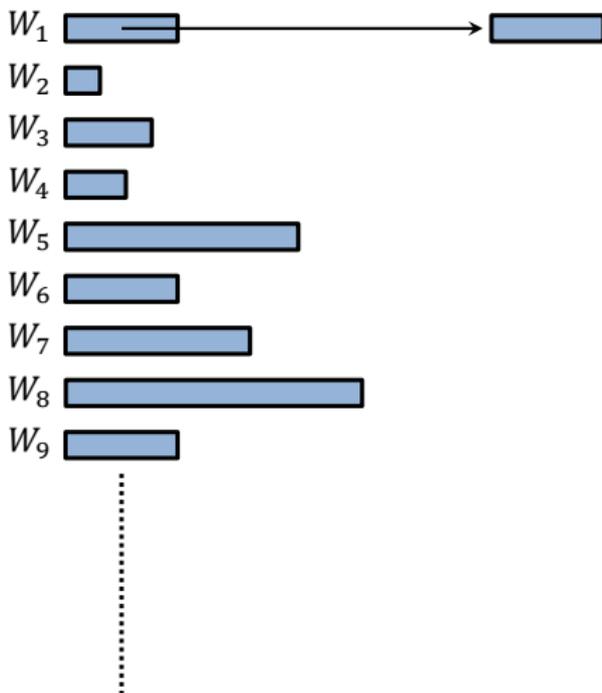
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How do we get $O(1)$ capacity violation?

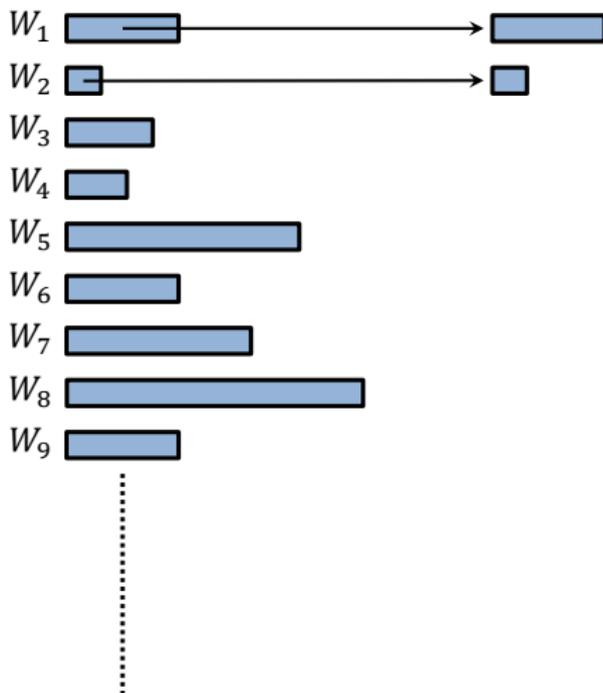
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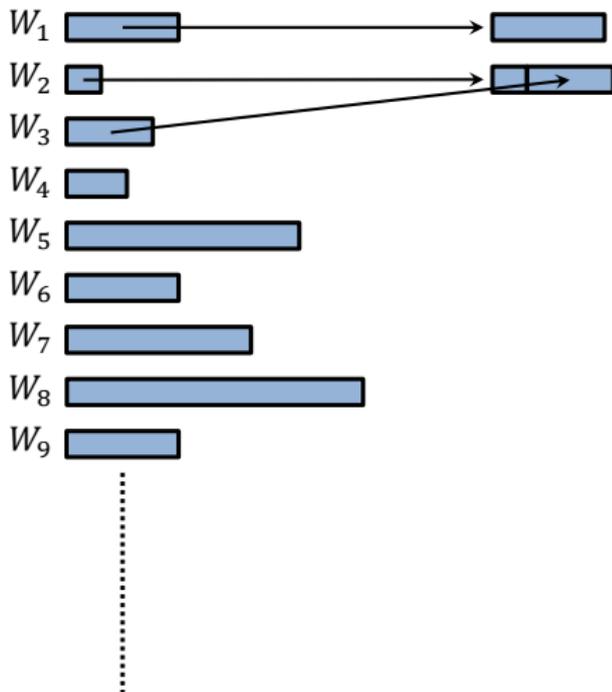
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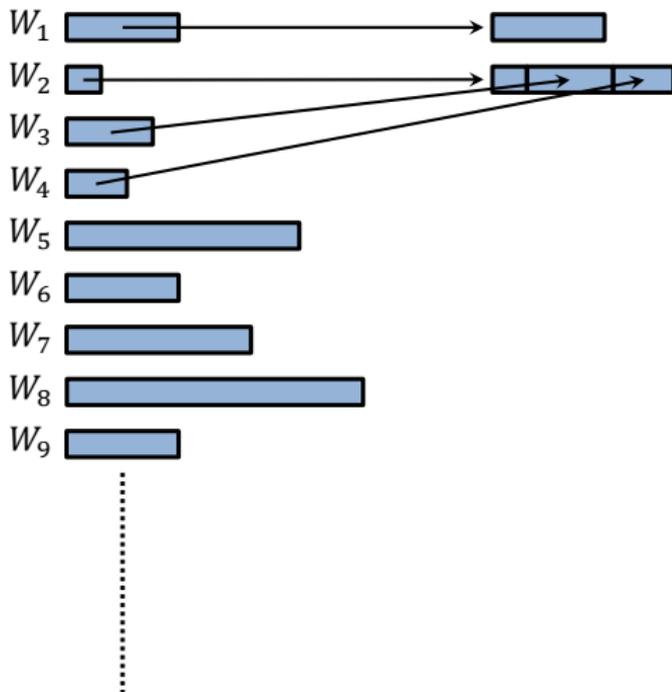
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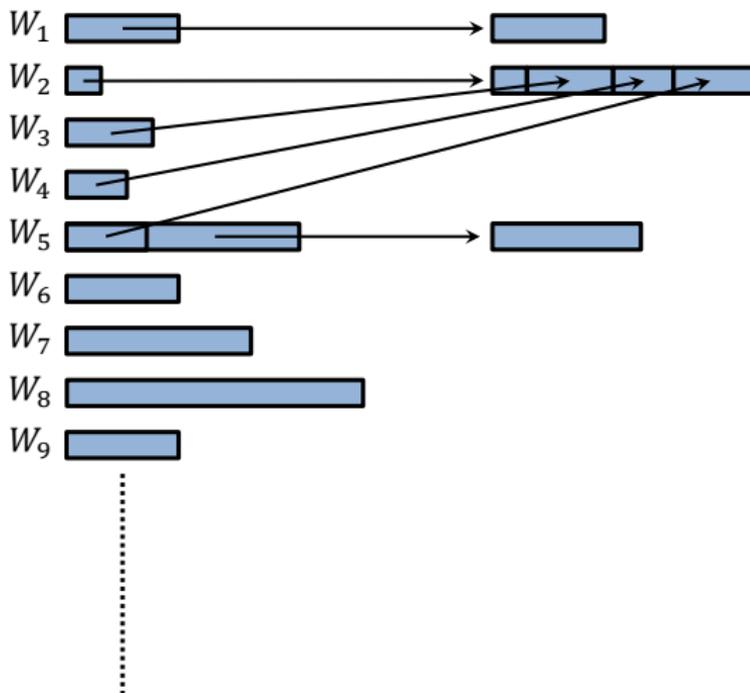
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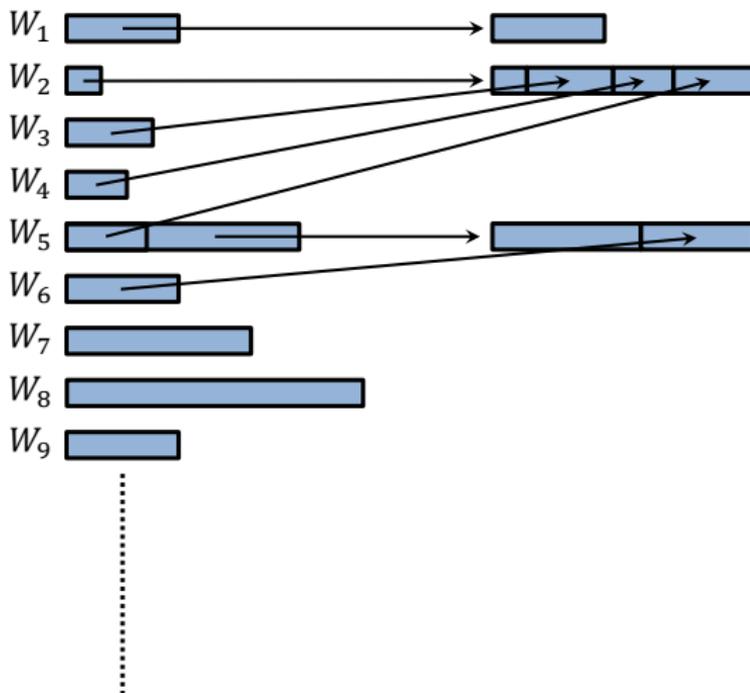
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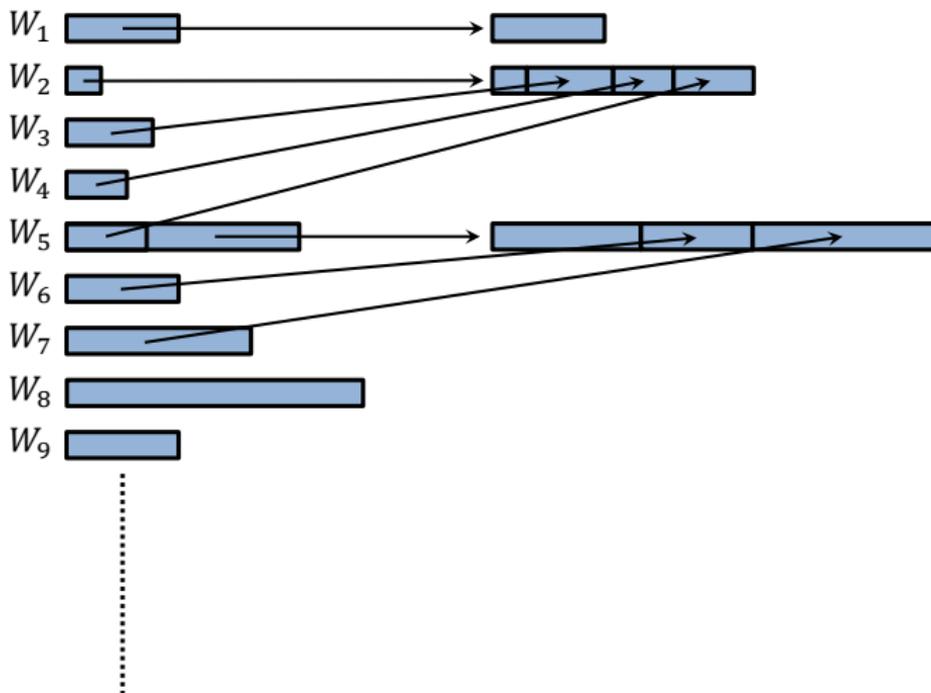
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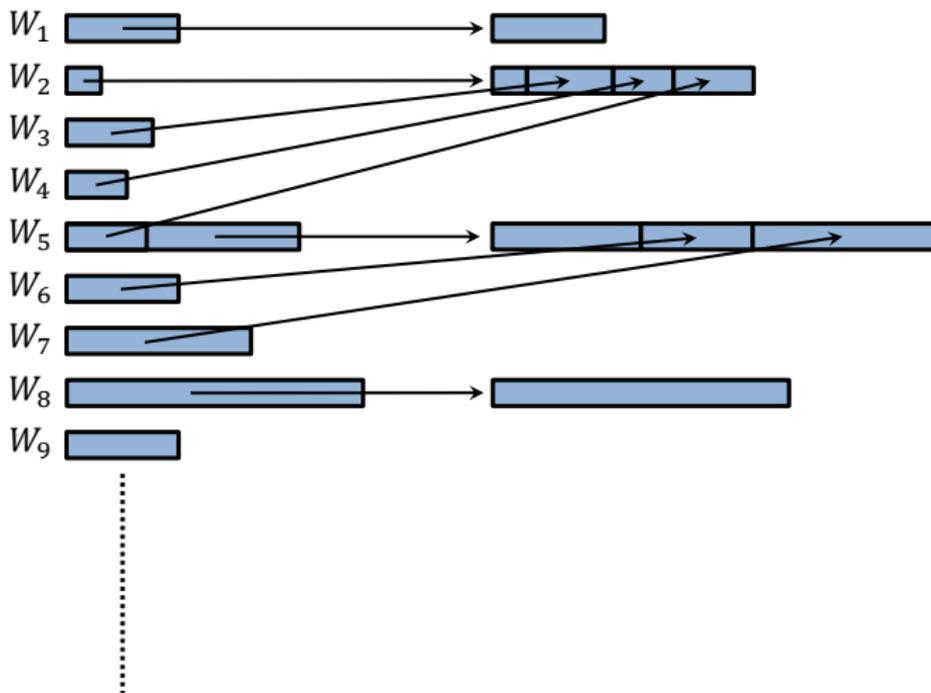
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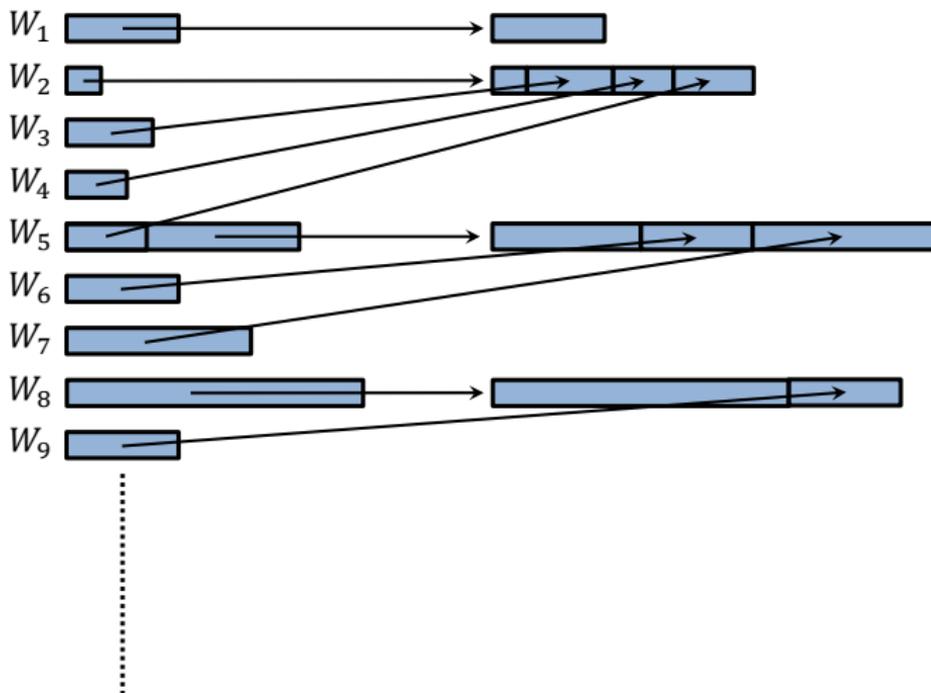
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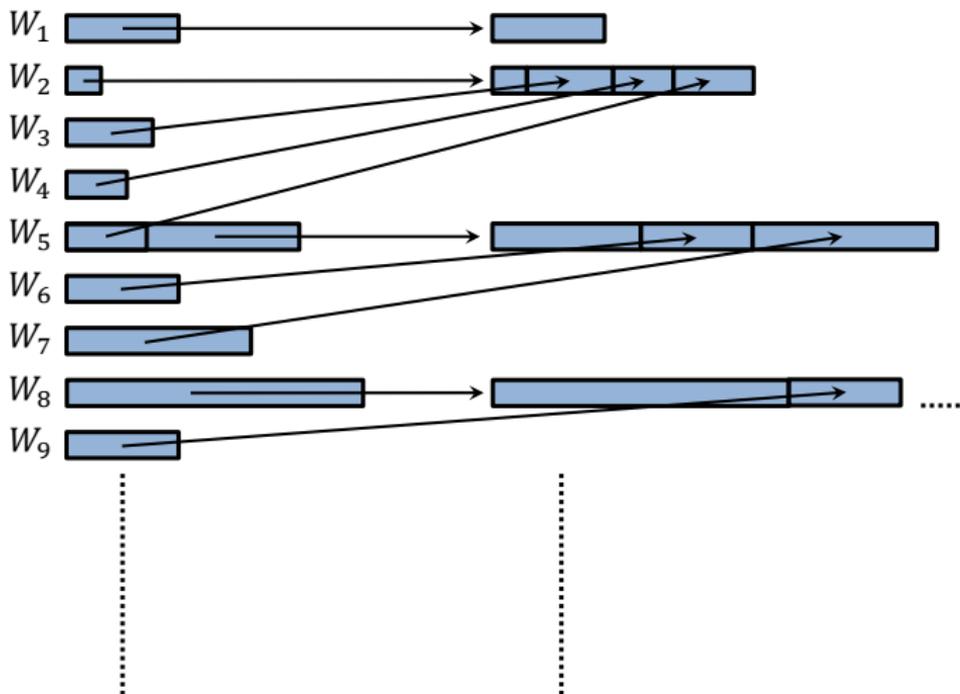
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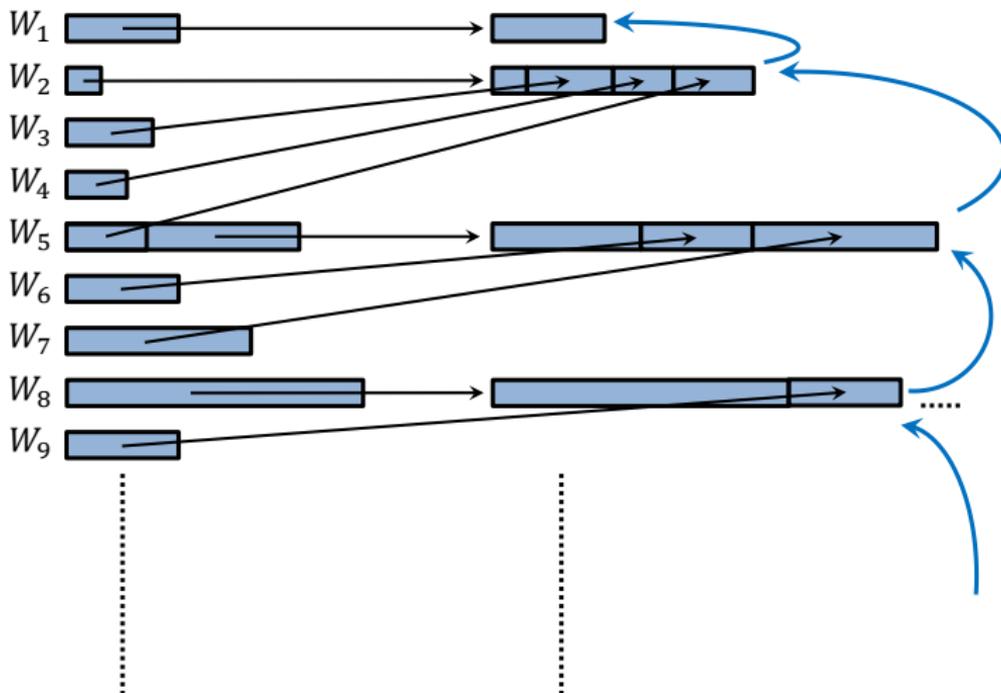
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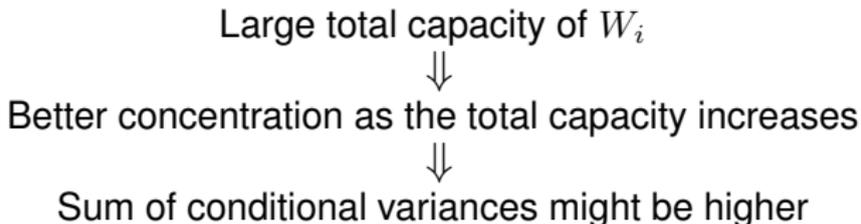
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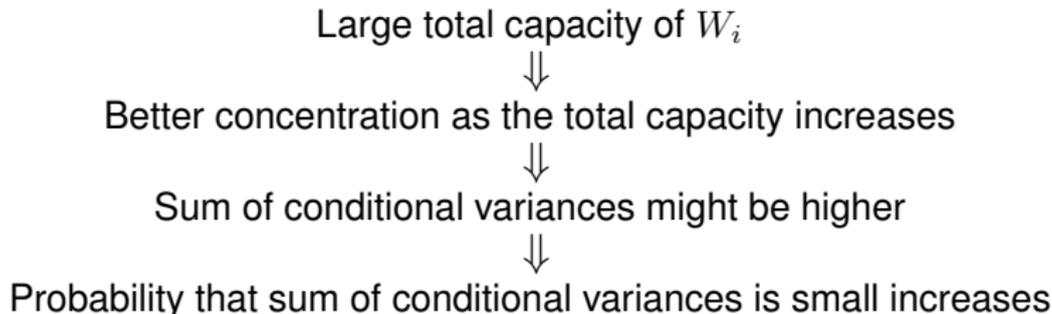


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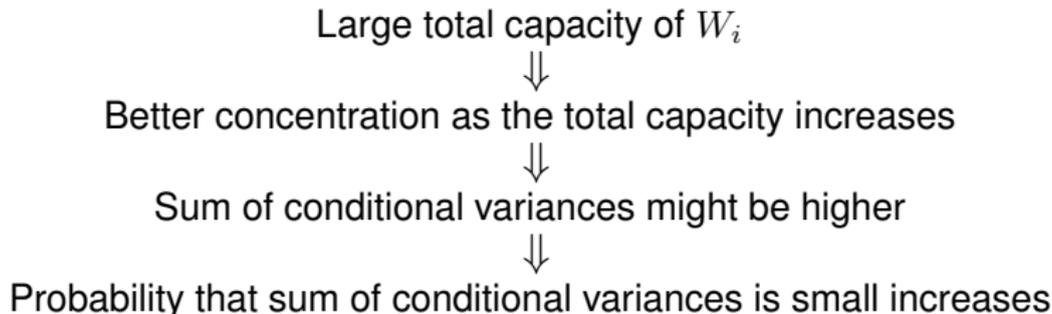


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