

Query Processing with Optimal Communication Cost

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Context

Past: NSF Big Data grant

- PhD student Paris Koutris received the ACM SIGMOD Jim Gray Dissertation Award

Current: AiTF Grant

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Basic Question

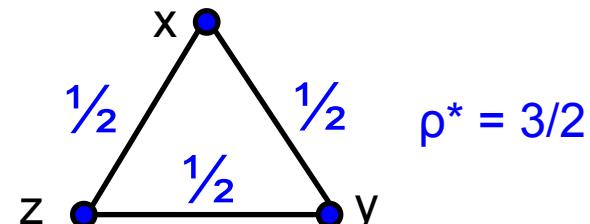
- How much communication is needed to compute a query Q on p servers?
- Parallel data processing
 - Gamma, MapReduce, Hive, Teradata, Aster Data, Spark, Impala, Myria, Tensorflow
 - See Magda Balazinska's current class

Background

- Q conjunctive query;
 p^* = its fractional edge covering number

Thm. [Atserias, Grohe, Marx'2011] If every input relation has size $\leq m$ then $|\text{Output}(Q)| \leq m^{p^*}$

- $Q(x,y,z) :- R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,x)$
If $|R|, |S|, |T| \leq m$ then $|\text{Output}(Q)| \leq m^{3/2}$

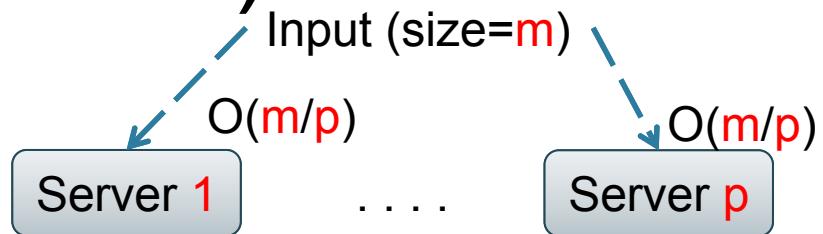


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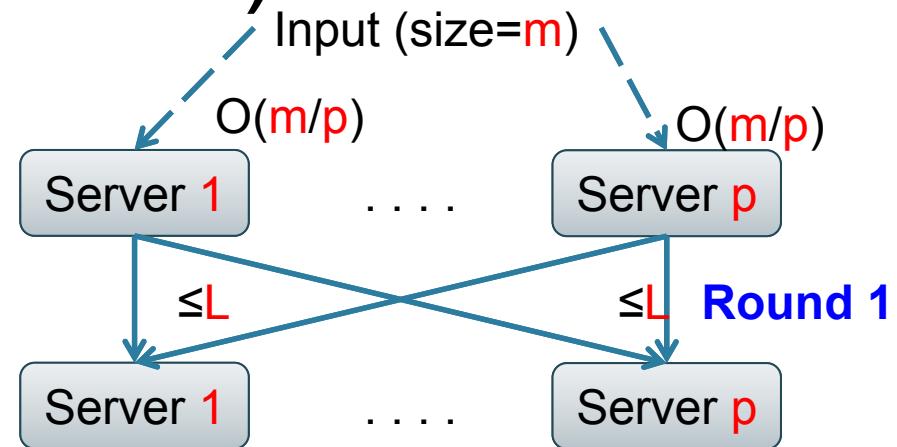
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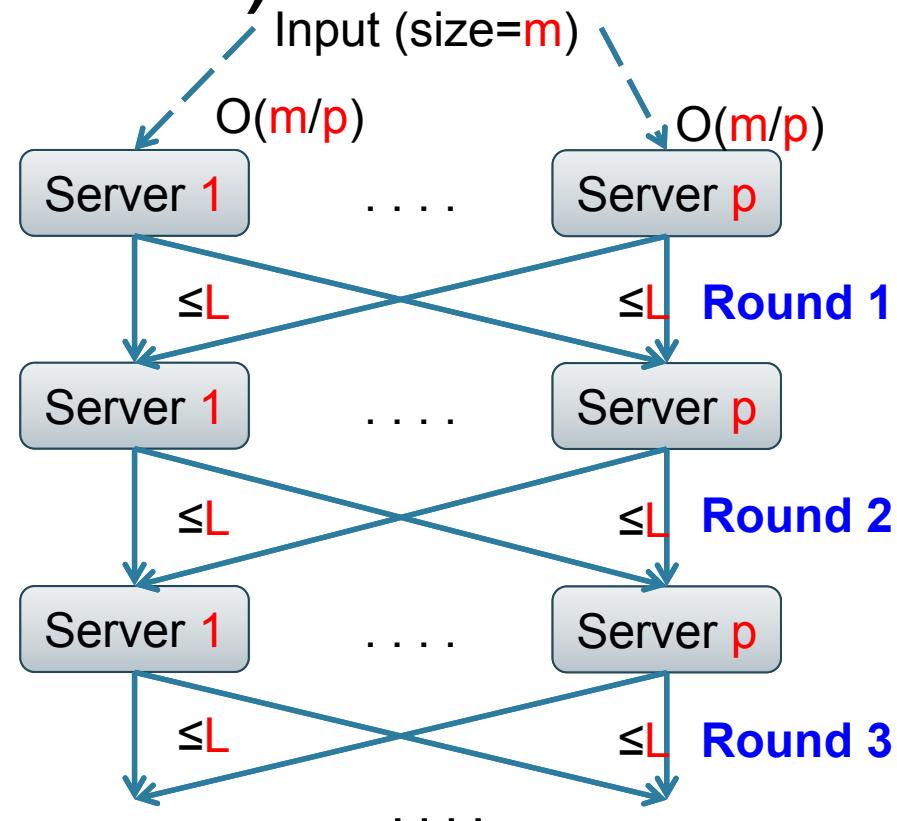
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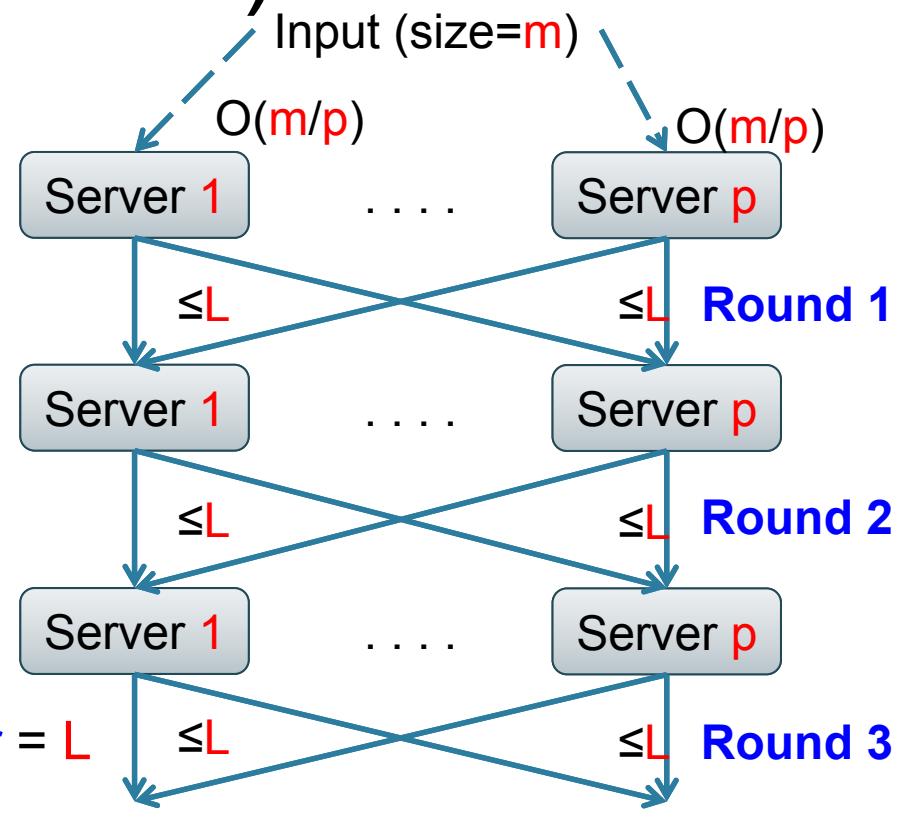
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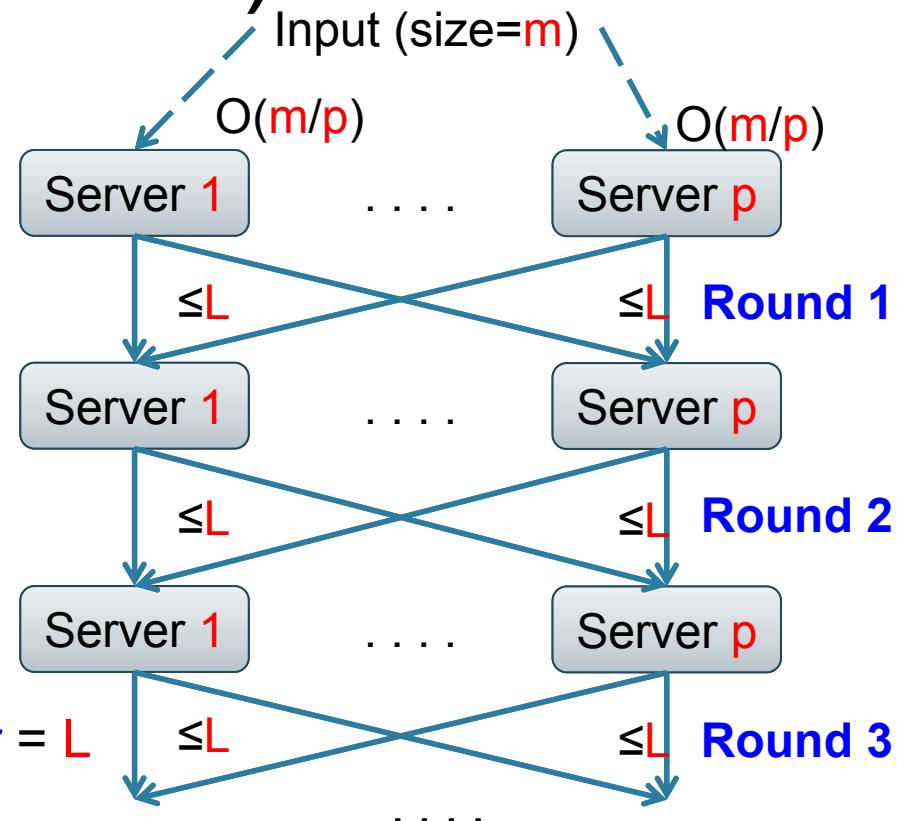
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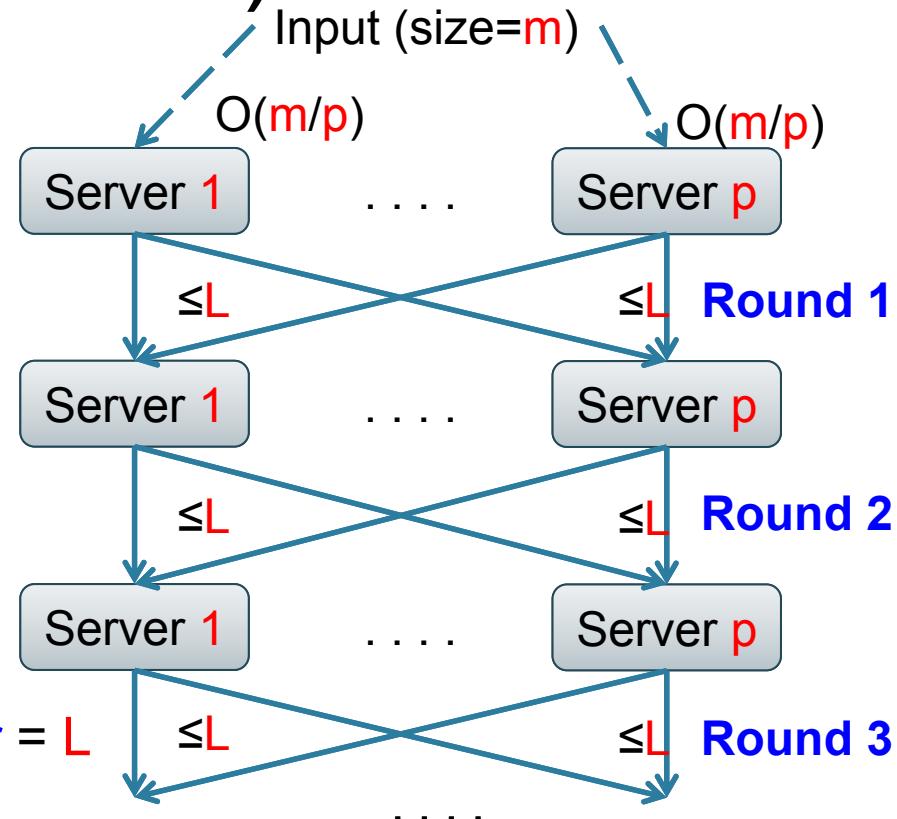
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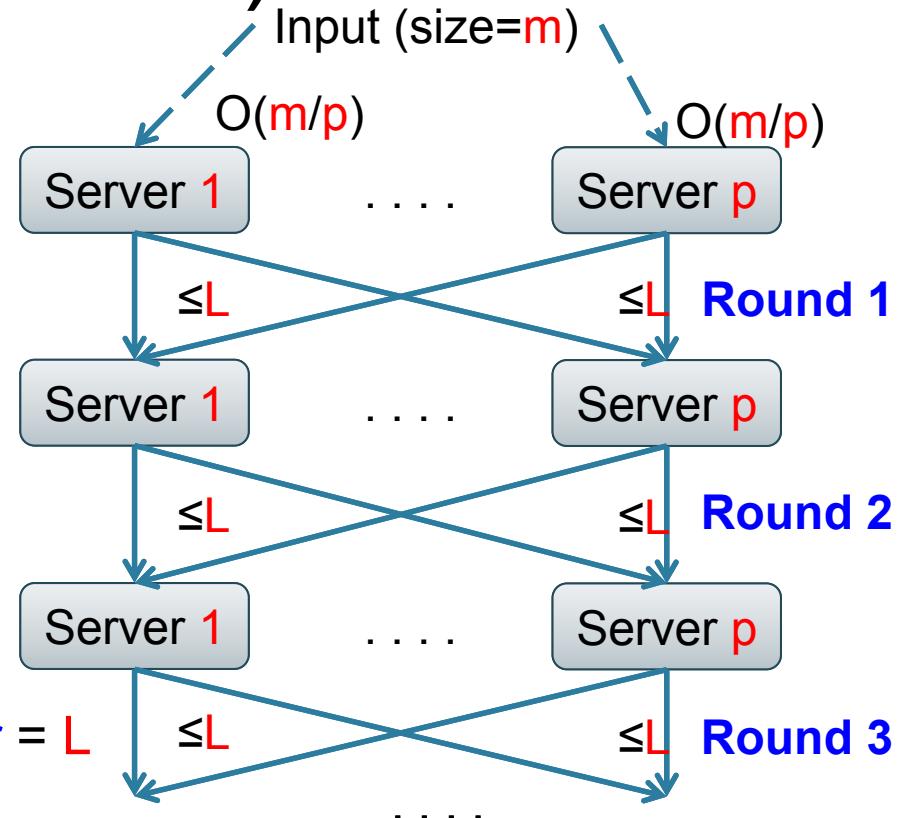
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Cost:			Naïve 1	Naïve 2
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Rounds r			1	p

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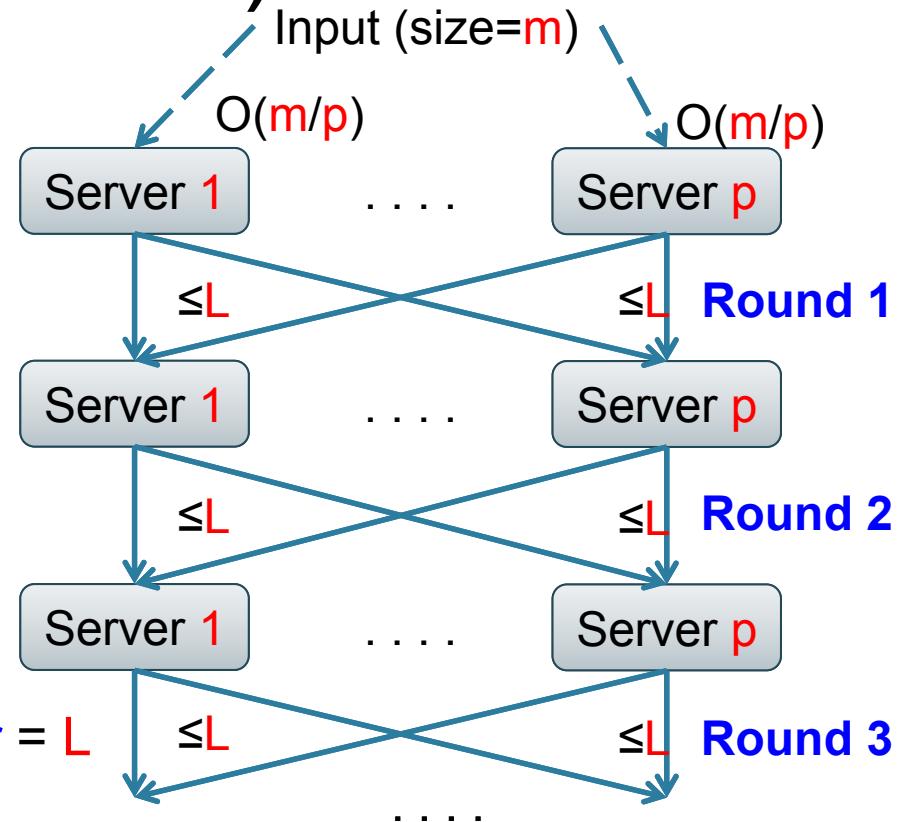
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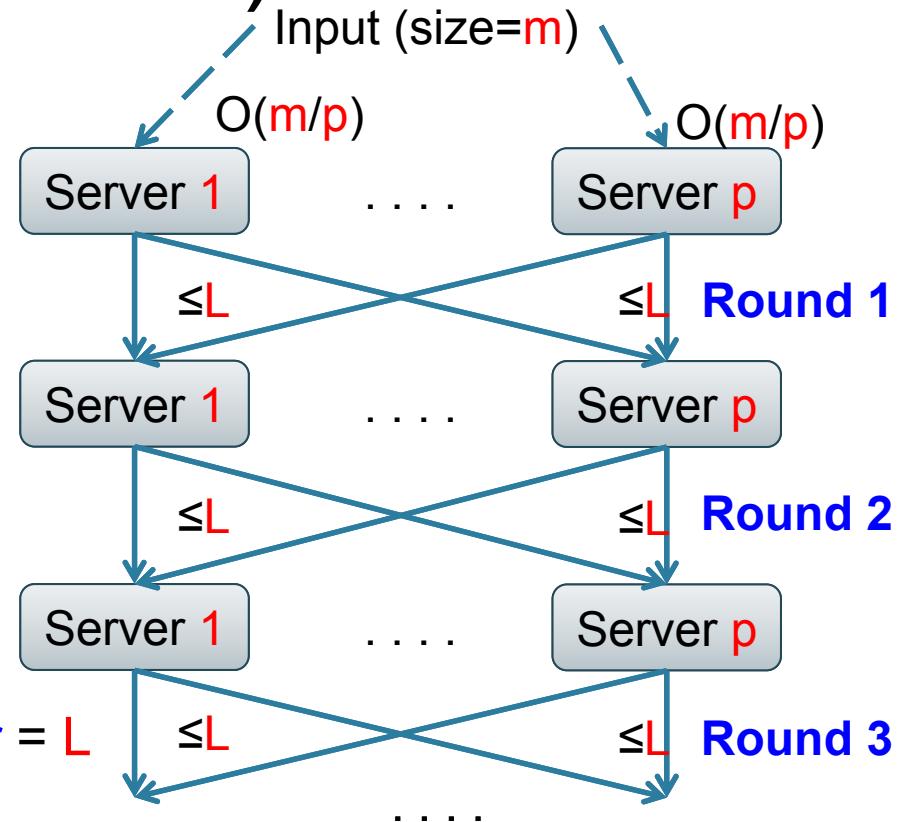
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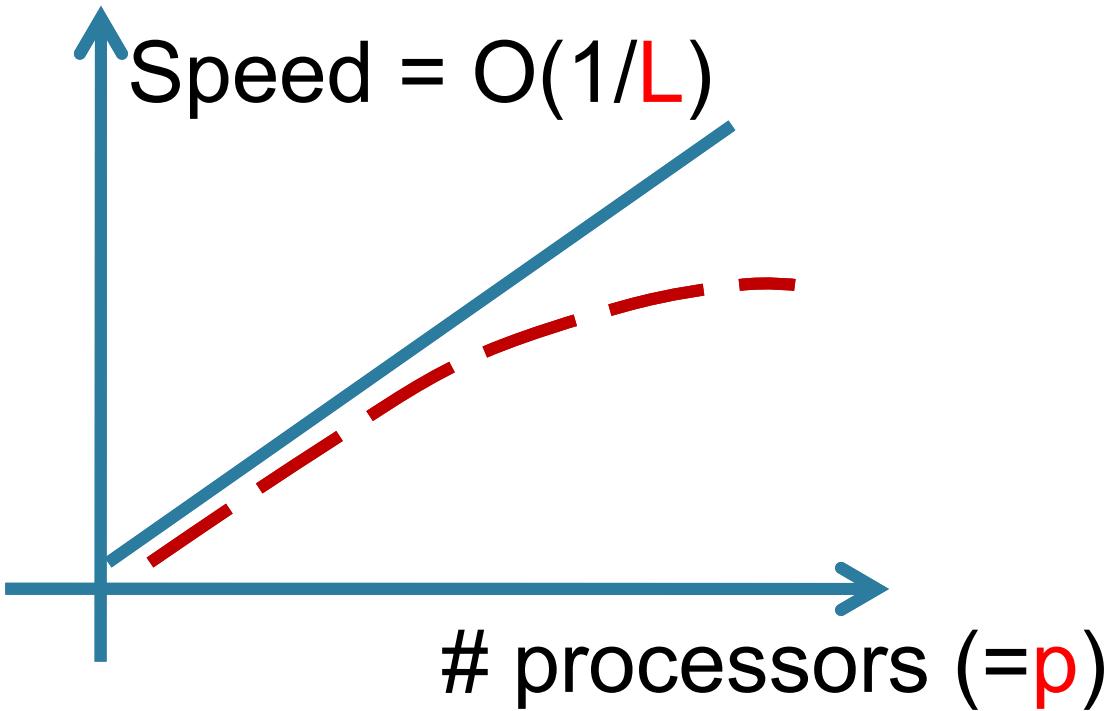
Cost:	Ideal	Practical $\epsilon \in (0,1)$	Naïve 1	Naïve 2
Load L	$L = m/p$	$L = m/p^{1-\epsilon}$	$L = m$	$L = m/p$
Rounds r	1	$O(1)$	1	p

A Naïve Lower Bound

- Query Q
- Inputs R, S, T, \dots s.t. $|\text{size}(Q)| = m^{p^*}$
- Algorithm with load L ,
- After r rounds, one server “knows” $\leq L^*r$ tuples: it can output $\leq (L^*r)^{p^*}$ tuples (AGM)
- p servers compute $|\text{size}(Q)| = m^{p^*}$, hence $p^*(L^*r)^{p^*} \geq m^{p^*}$

Thm. Any r -round algorithm has $L \geq m / r^* p^{1/p^*}$

Speedup



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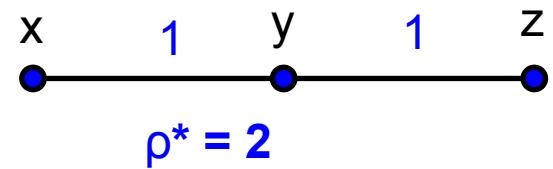
A load of $L = m/p^{1-\varepsilon}$ corresponds to sub-linear speedup

What is the theoretically optimal load $L = f(m,p)$?
Is this the right question in the field?

Join of Two Tables

$$\text{Join}(x,y,z) = R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z)$$

$$|R| = |S| = m \text{ tuples}$$



In the field:

- Hash-join on y : $L = m / p$ (w/o skew)
- Broadcast-join: $L \approx m$

In theory:

$$L \geq m / p^{1/2}$$

Triangles

$$\text{Triangles}(x,y,z) = R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,x)$$

State of the art:

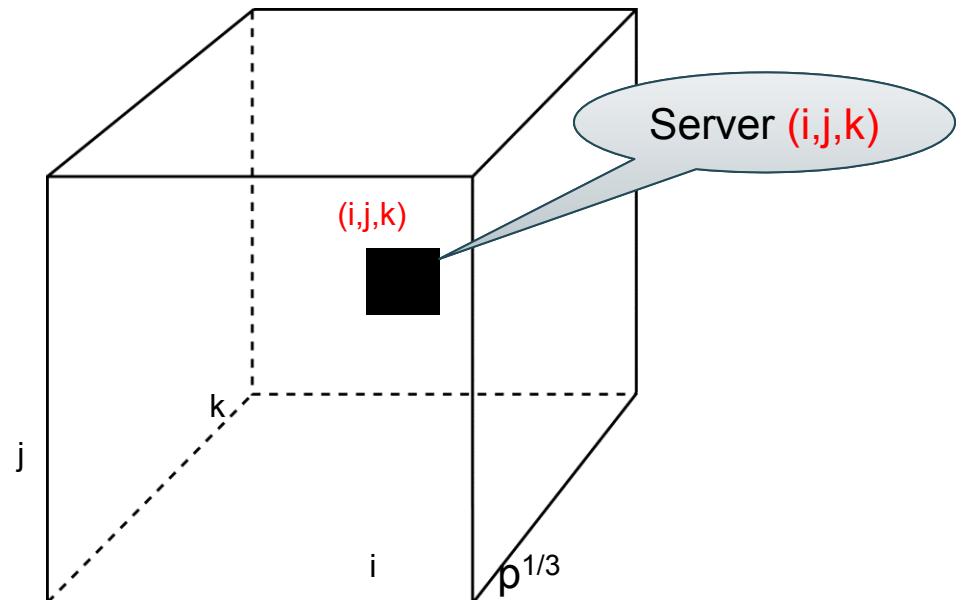
- Hash-join, two rounds:
- **Problem:** intermediate result too big!
- Broadcast S, T , one round:
- **Problem:** two local tables are huge!

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Triangles in One Round

- Place servers in a cube $p = p^{1/3} \times p^{1/3} \times p^{1/3}$
- Each server identified by (i,j,k)



[Afrati&Ullman'10]
[Beame'13, '14]

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Triangles in One Round

	T		z		x	
			Fred		Alice	
S		Y	z			
	Fred		Fred		Alice	
R	x	y				
	Fred	Alice				
	Jack	Jim				
	Fred	Jim				
	Carol	Alice				
	...					

Round 1:

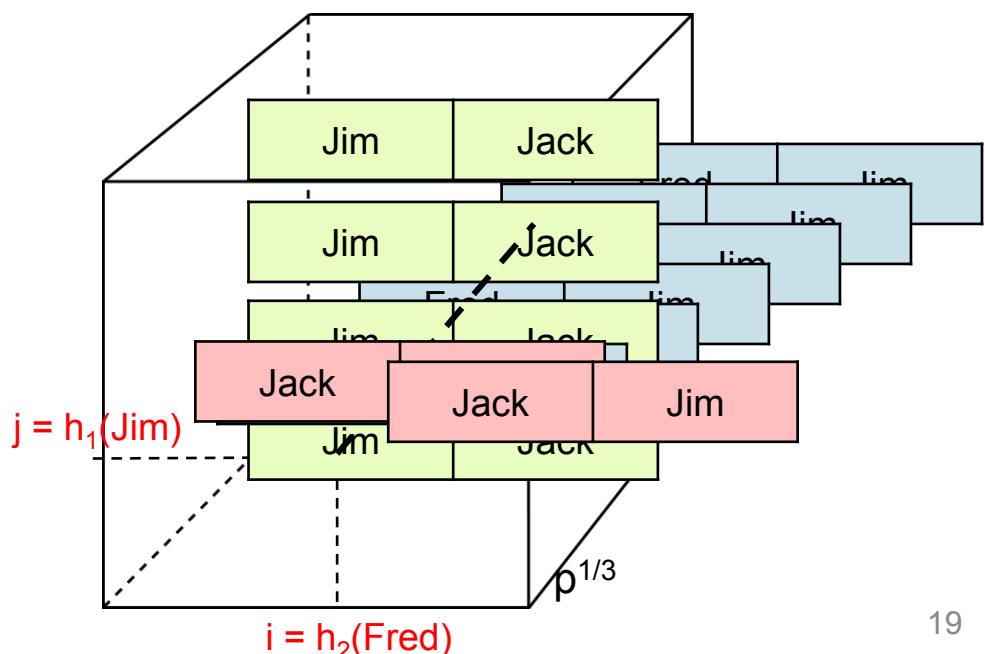
Send $R(x,y)$ to all servers ($h_1(x), h_2(y), *$)

Send $S(y,z)$ to all servers (*, $h_2(y), h_3(z)$)

Send $T(z,x)$ to all servers ($h_1(x), *, h_3(z)$)

Output:

compute locally $R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,x)$



$\text{Triangles}(x,y,z) = R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,x)$

$|R| = |S| = |T| = m$ tuples

Communication load per server

Theorem Assuming “no skew”, HyperCube computes Triangles with $L = O(m/p^{2/3})$ w.h.p.

Can we compute Triangles with $L = m/p$?

No!

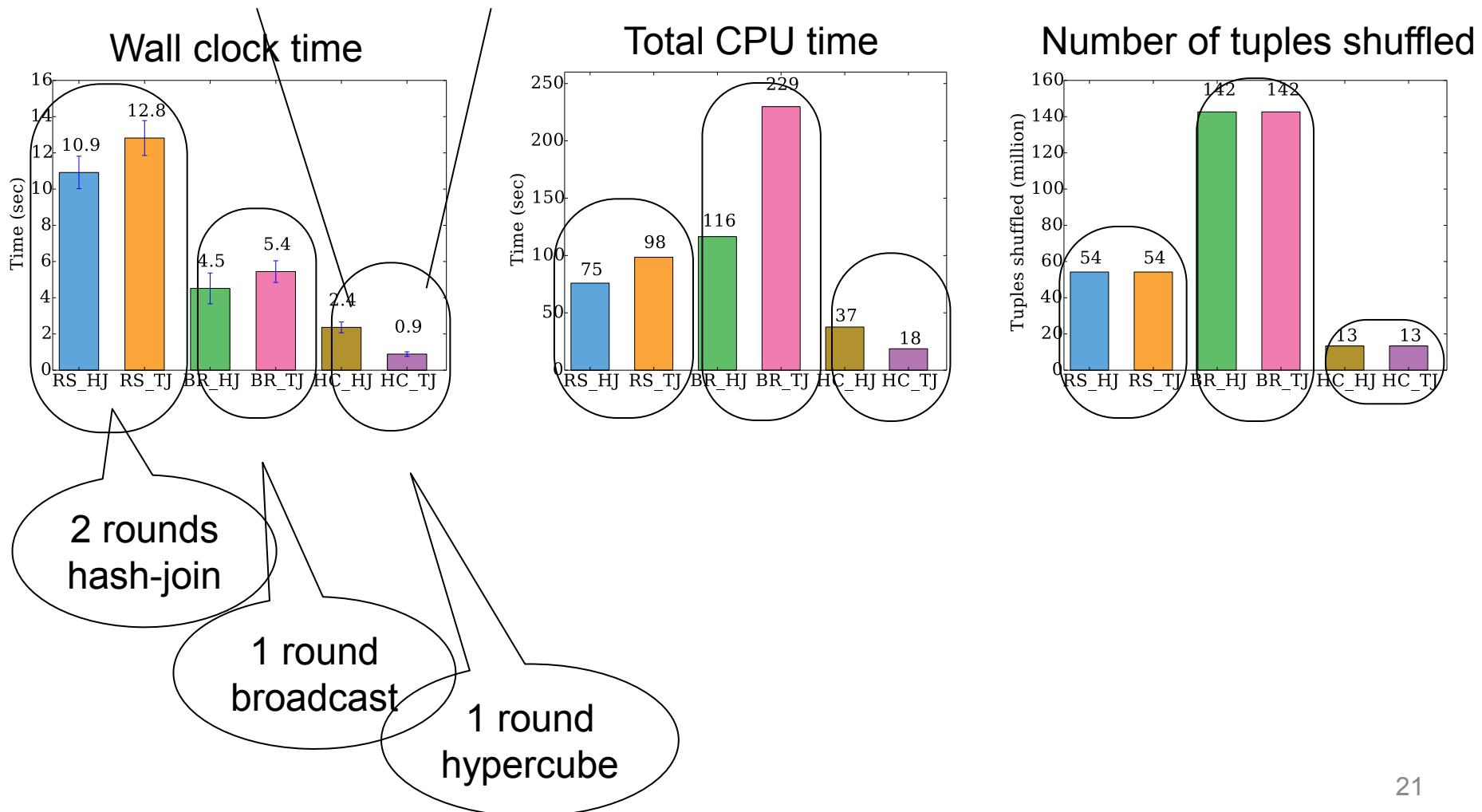
Theorem Any 1-round algo. has $L = \Omega(m/p^{2/3})$, even on inputs with no skew.

$$\text{Triangles}(x,y,z) = R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,x)$$

$$|R| = |S| = |T| = 1.1M$$

1.1M triples of Twitter data \rightarrow 220k triangles; $p=64$

local 1 or 2-step hash-join; local 1-step Leapfrog Trie-join (a.k.a. Generic-Join)



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shuffle	tuples sent	producer skew	consumer skew
R(x, y) \rightarrow h(y)	1,114,289	1	1.35
S(y, z) \rightarrow h(y)	1,114,289	1	1.72
RS(x, y, z) \rightarrow h(z)	50,862,578	20.8	1
T(z, x) \rightarrow h(z)	1,114,289	1	1.01
Total	54,205,445	N.A.	N.A.

Table 2: Load balance with regular shuffles in query Q1

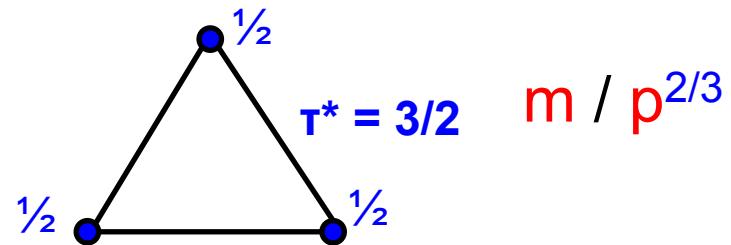
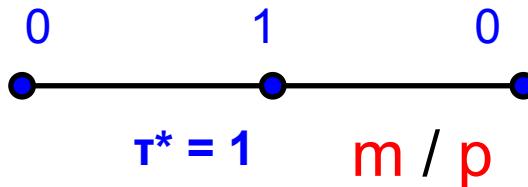
shuffles	tuples sent	producer skew	consumer skew
HCS R(x, y)	4,457,156	1	1.05
HCS S(y, z)	4,457,156	1	1.05
HCS T(z, x)	4,457,156	1	1.05
Total	13,371,468	N.A.	N.A.

Table 3: Load balance with HyperCube shuffles in query Q1

General Case

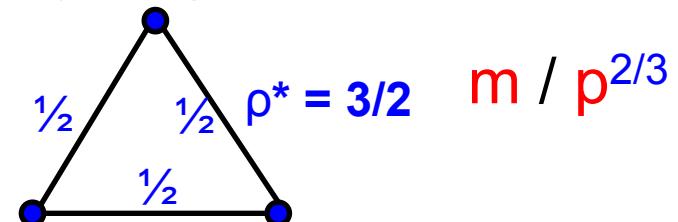
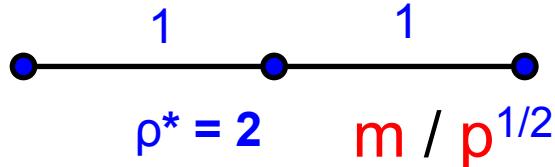
Theorem The optimal load for computing Q in one-round on skew-free data is $L = O(m / p^{1/\tau^*})$

τ^* = fractional vertex cover of Q 's hypergraph



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Skew

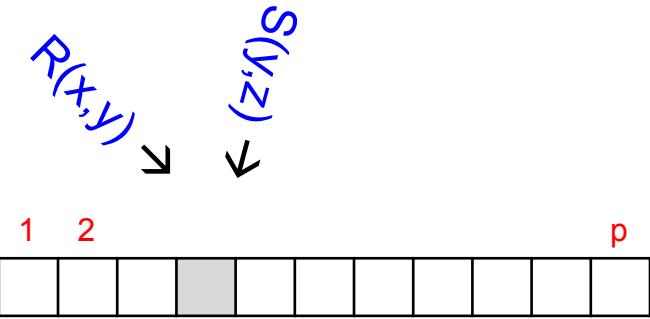
- Skewed data is major impediment to parallel data processing
- Practical solutions:
 - Deal with stragglers, hope they eventually terminate
 - Remove heavy hitters from computation
- Our approach:
 - Query → Residual Query
 - Join $R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z)$ → Cartesian Product $R(x) \wedge S(z)$

Skewed Values → New Query

$$\text{Join}(x,y,z) = R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z)$$

No-skew:

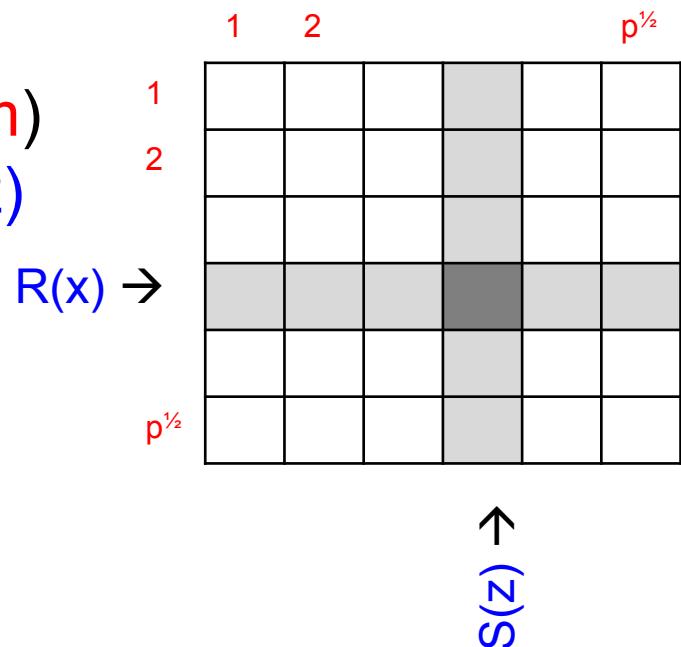
$$T^* = 1, \quad L = m/p$$



Skewed: (y = single value, degree = m)

Join becomes $\text{Product}(x,z) = R(x) \wedge S(z)$

$$T^* = 2, \quad L = m/p^{1/2}$$



Summary of Results so Far

- 1 Round
 - No skew: optimal load = $m / p^{1/\pi^*}$
 - Skew: provably higher
- Multiple rounds
 - Lower bound: load $\geq m / p^{1/\rho^*}$
 - All relations are binary: optimal load = $m / p^{1/\rho^*}$
[PODS'2017a]
 - Arbitrary relations: optimal load = ?? **Open**
- Additional statistics: keys, degree constraints
[PODS'2017b]

Thank you!