



# Some notes on the binary sequences of length $2^n - 1$ with the run property

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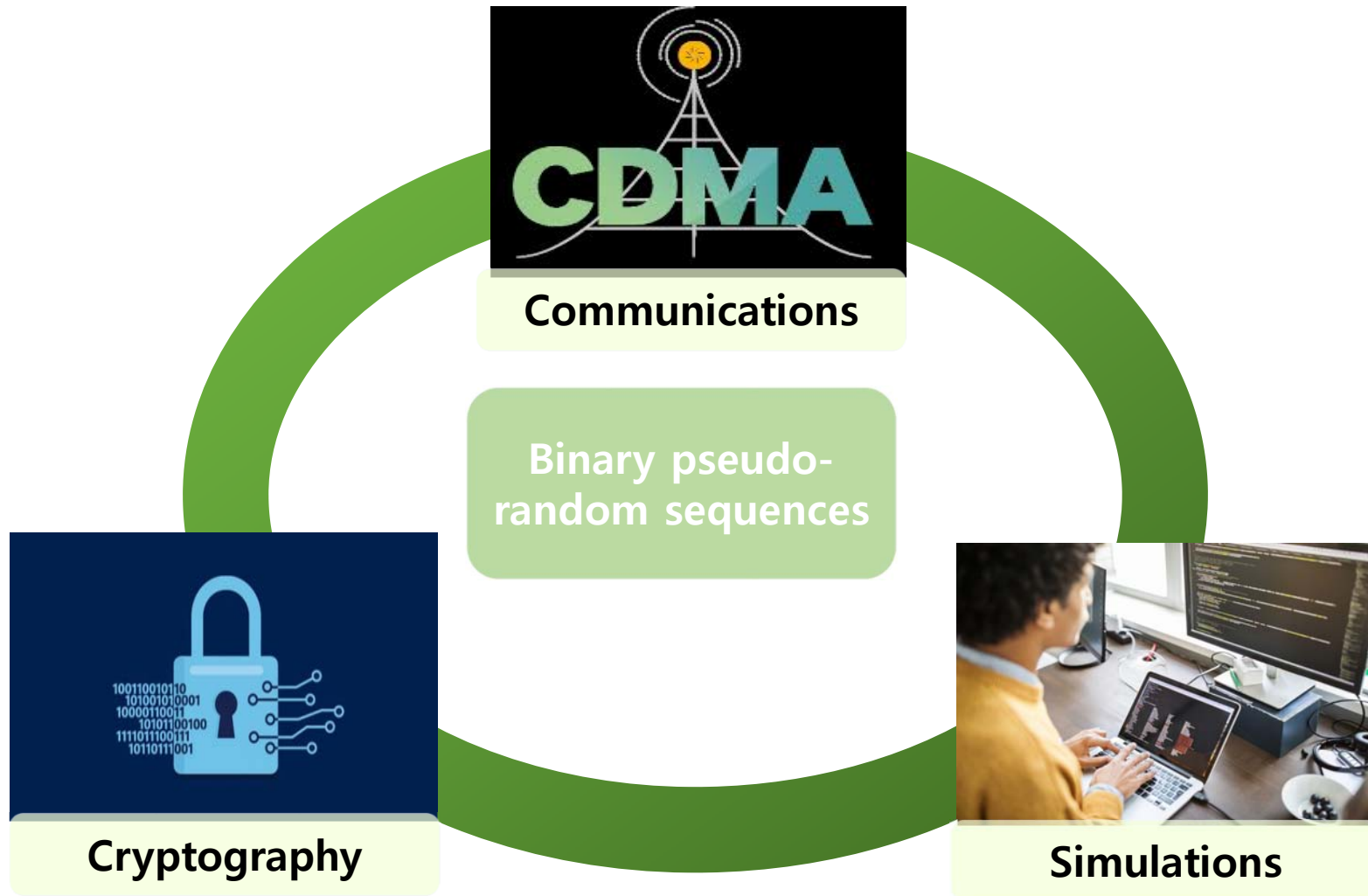


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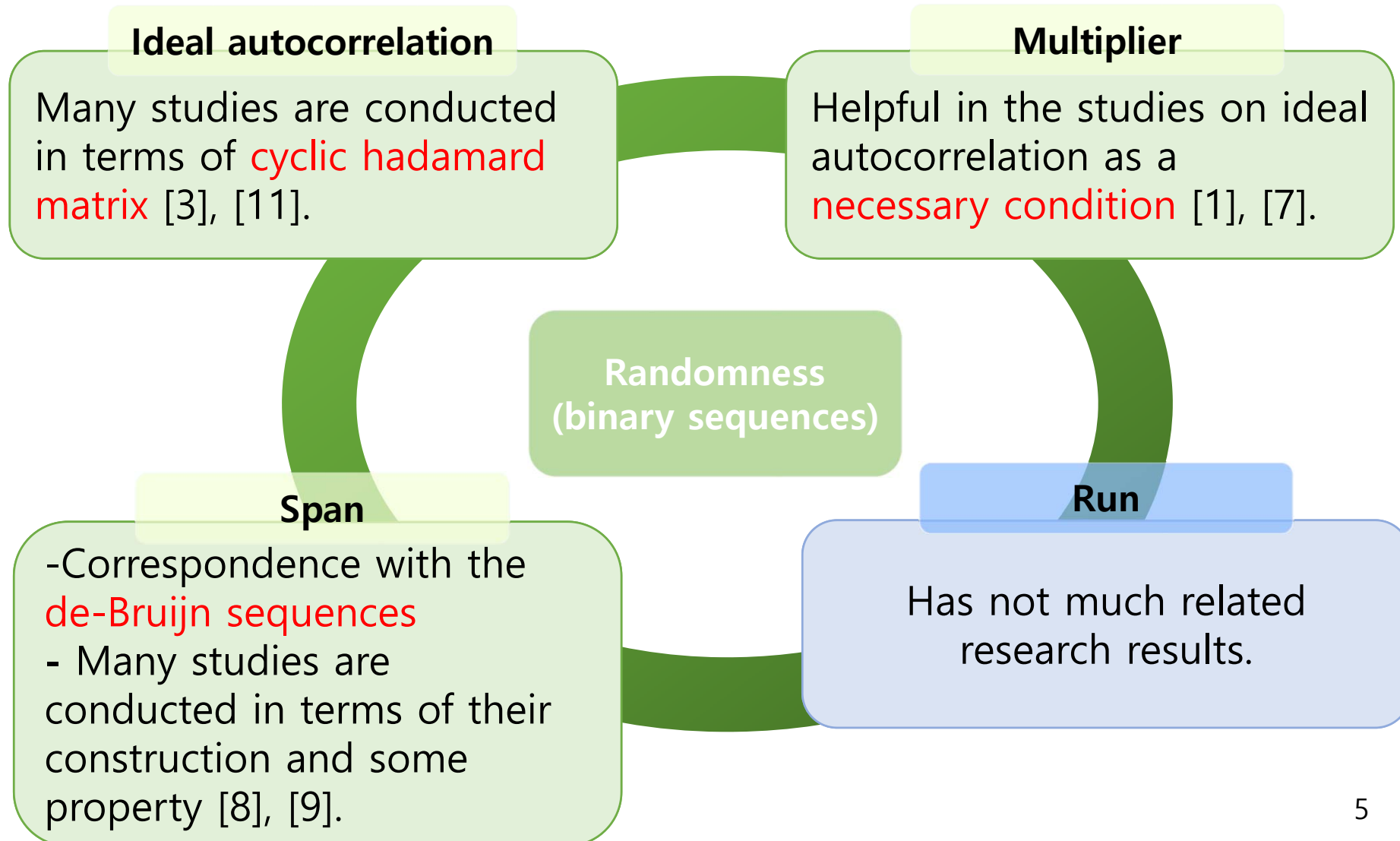
# **I. Introduction**

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# PN sequence application



# Randomness characteristics





# In this talk, ...



## In this talk,

- calculate the number of run sequences of length  $2^n - 1$
- present some interesting properties of the run sequences of length  $2^n - 1$ .

## **II. The number of run sequences of length $2^n - 1$**

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# Run sequence



## Definition 1. Run property [4], [5], [10]

A binary sequence of length  $2^n - 1$  is said to have the **run property** if it has the run distribution as shown in the following table. For simplicity, we call such a sequence a **run sequence**.

Length	# of 1's run	# of 0's run
$n$	1	0
$n - 1$	0	1
$n - 2$	$2^0$	$2^0$
$n - 3$	$2^1$	$2^1$
...	...	...
2	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$
1	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$
Grand total	$2^{n-1}$	





# The number of run sequences



## Theorem 1.

The number  $l_n$  of cyclically distinct run sequences of length  $2^n - 1$  is

$$l_n = \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \binom{2^{n-2}}{2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0, 1}^2.$$

## Corollary 1.

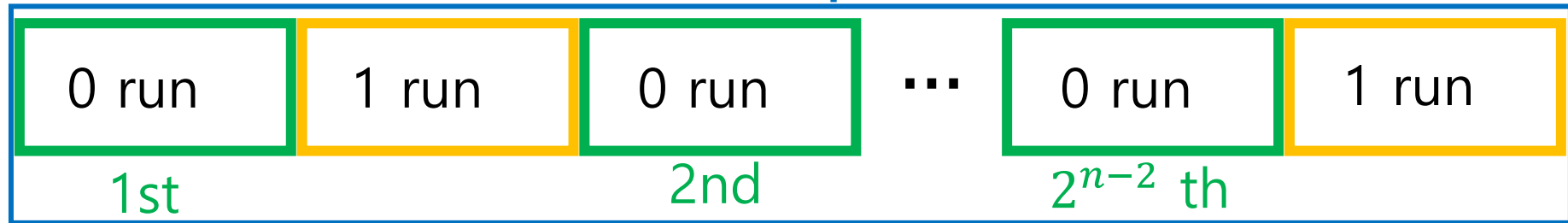
Let  $l_n$  be as defined in Theorem 1. Then

$$\frac{l_{n+1}}{l_n} = \frac{1}{2} \binom{2^{n-1}}{2^{n-2}}^2 \approx \frac{2}{\pi} 2^{2^{n-1}-n}.$$

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# Proof of Theorem 1

## The run sequence



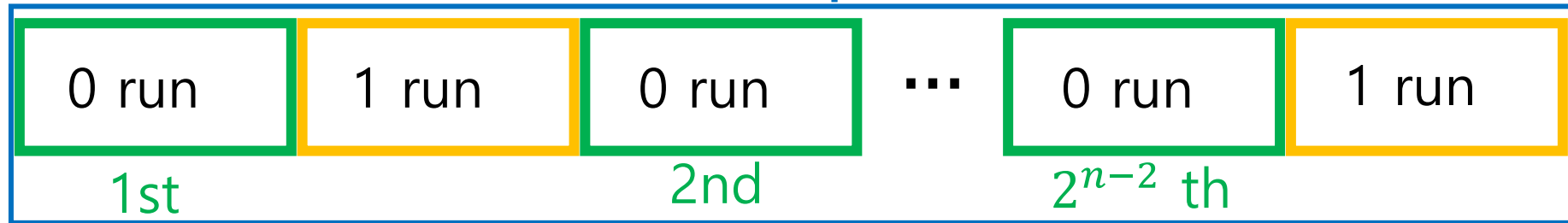
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Total	$2^{n-2}$

Fix the starting position  
as the unique run  $0_{n-1}$

※  $0_x$ : 0's run of length  $x$

# Proof of Theorem 1 (cont.)

## The run sequence



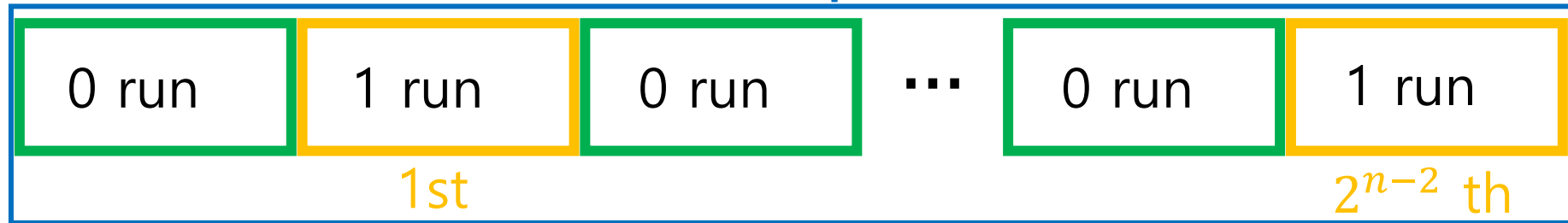
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Calculate the number of permutations of the other **0's run**:

$$\binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0}$$

# Proof of Theorem 1 (cont.)

## The run sequence



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...	...
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1	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$

...

Calculate the number of permutations of **1's run**:

$$\left( 2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0, 1 \right)$$



# Proof of Theorem 1 (cont.)



Product each number of permutations:

$$\begin{aligned} l_n &= \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0} \binom{2^{n-2}}{2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0, 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \binom{2^{n-2}}{2^{n-3}, 2^{n-4}, \dots, 2^0, 1}^2 \end{aligned}$$



# The number of run sequences



The number of **binary sequences** of length  $2^{n+1}-1$  is about  $2^{2^n}$  times of the number of binary sequences of length  $2^n-1$ .

**Very similar for larger  $n$**

The number of **run sequences** of length  $2^{n+1}-1$  is about  $\frac{2}{\pi} 2^{2^n-n}$  times of the number of run sequences of length  $2^n-1$ .

### **III. The distribution of $n$ -tuple vector in the run sequences of length $2^n - 1$**

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# Span property



## Definition 2. Span property [4], [5], [10]

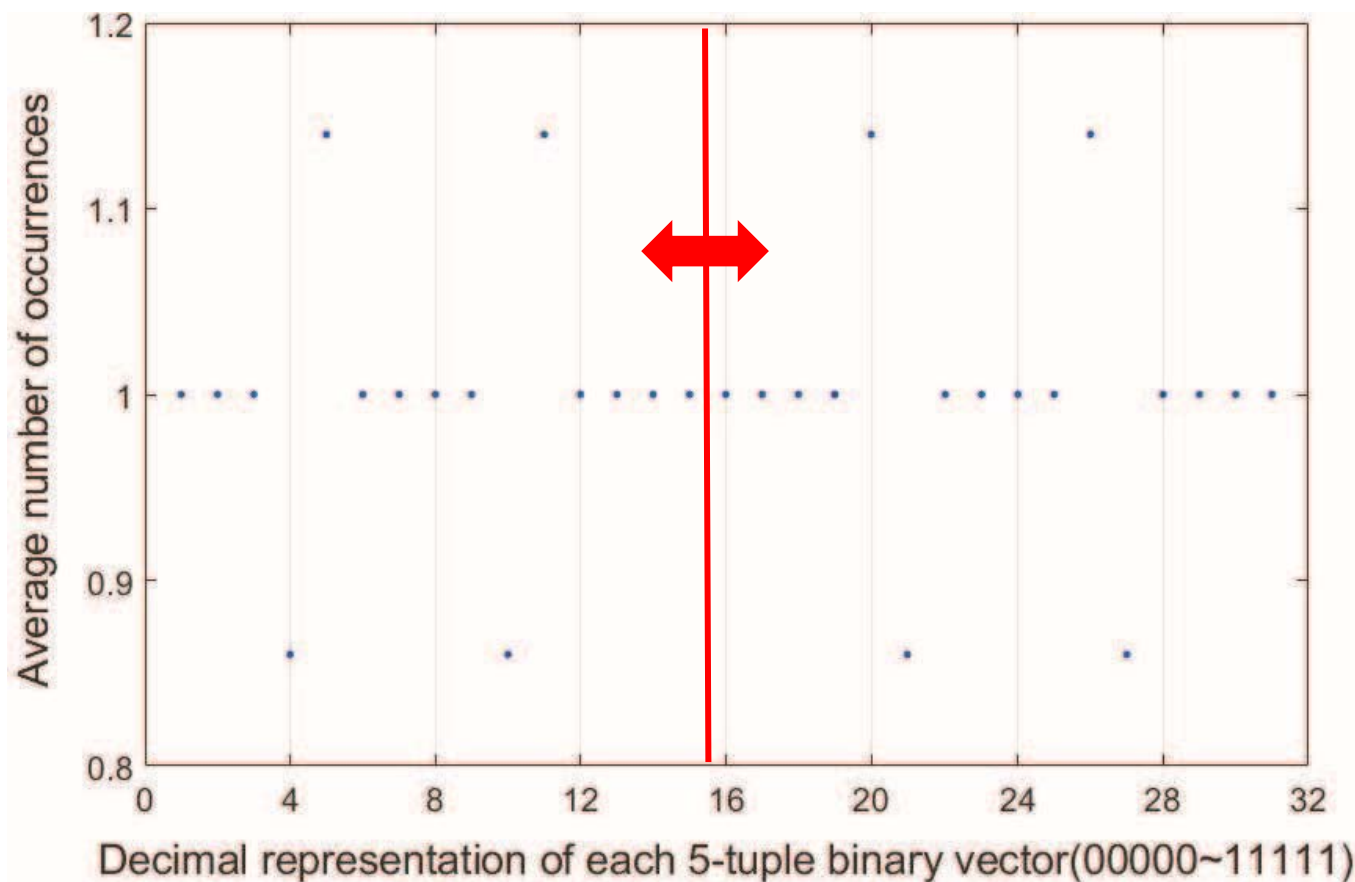
A binary sequence of length  $2^n - 1$  is said to have the **span property** if every  $n$ -tuple vector except for the all-zero vector occurs exactly once in one period. For simplicity, we call such a sequence a **span sequence**.

A **span sequence** is always a **run sequence**, but not conversely. In this talk, we investigate the  **$n$ -tuple vector distribution** property of **run sequences** with or without **span property**





# Average occurrence of $n$ -tuple vector

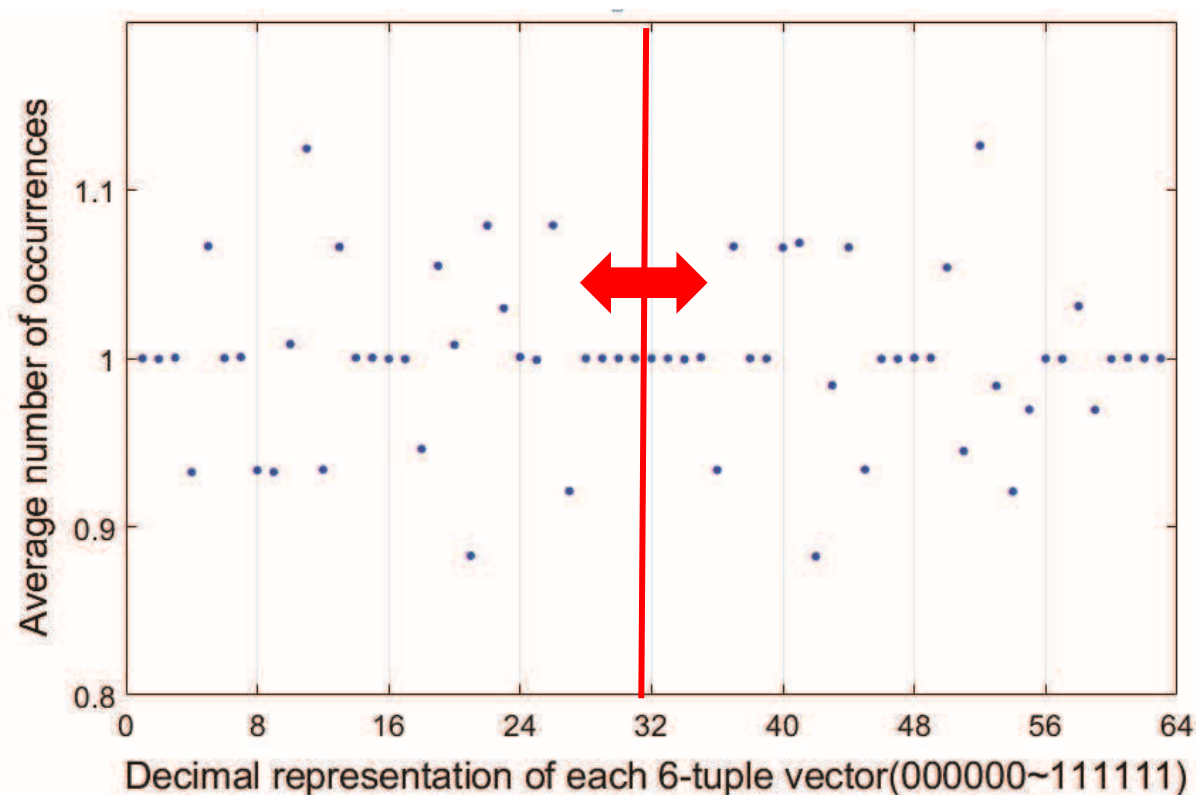


Average occurrence of every 5-tuple vector in all cyclically different run sequences of length 31.

It looks symmetric. **Is it exactly symmetric?**



# Average occurrence of $n$ -tuple vector



Average occurrence of every 6-tuple vector in 1,000,000 cyclically different run sequences of length 63

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# Complement correspondence



## Theorem 2.

For any run sequence  $s_1$  of length  $2^n - 1$ , there corresponds to another run sequence  $s_2$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \# \text{ of occurrences of } v \text{ in } s_1 \\ &= \# \text{ of occurrences of } \bar{v} \text{ in } s_2, \end{aligned}$$

for any  $n$ -tuple vector  $v$  except for the all-zero and the all-one vectors.

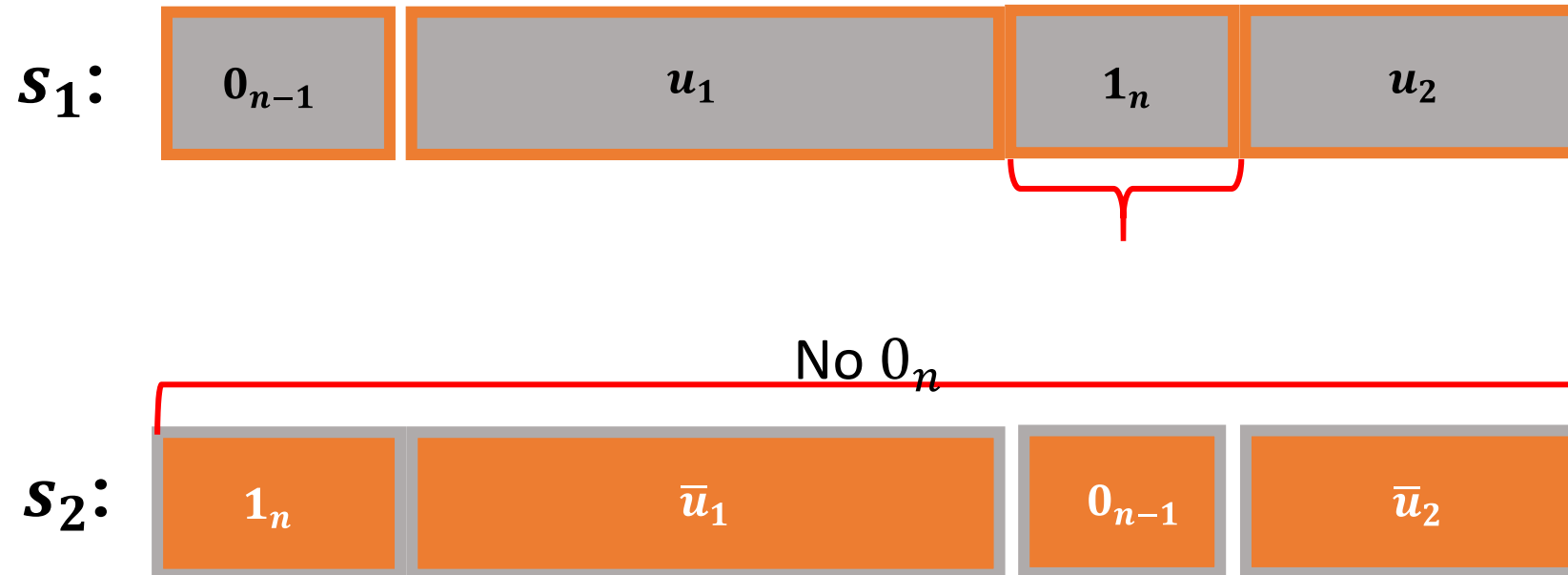
**Theorem 2** implies that average occurrence of  $n$ -tuple vectors  $v$  and  $\bar{v}$  are **exactly same** except for the all-zero and the all-one vectors.



# Proof of Theorem 2



※  $0_x$ : 0's run of length  $x$ ,  $1_x$ : 1's run of length  $x$



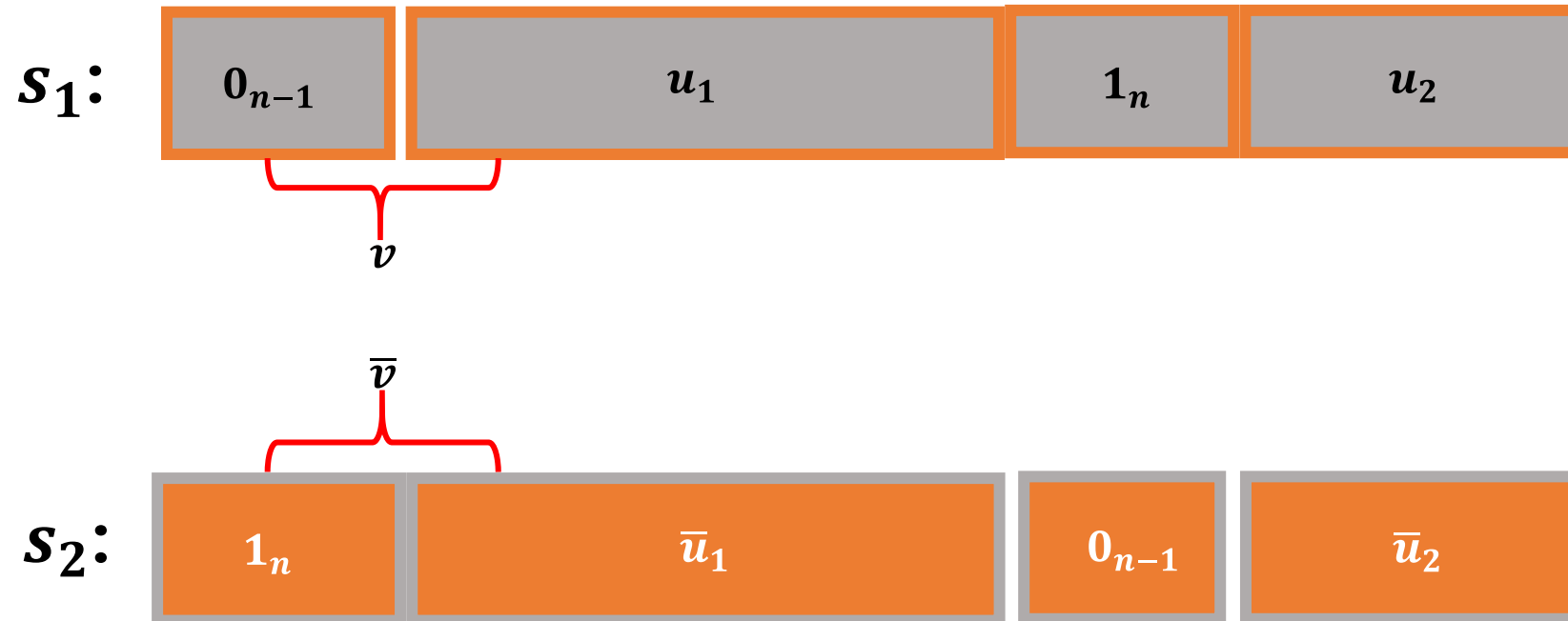
For the run sequence  $s_1$ , define  $s_2$  as above. Obviously,  $s_2$  is the run sequence and there is no  $0_n$  (complement of  $1_n$ ) in  $s_2$ .



# Proof of Theorem 2 (cont.)



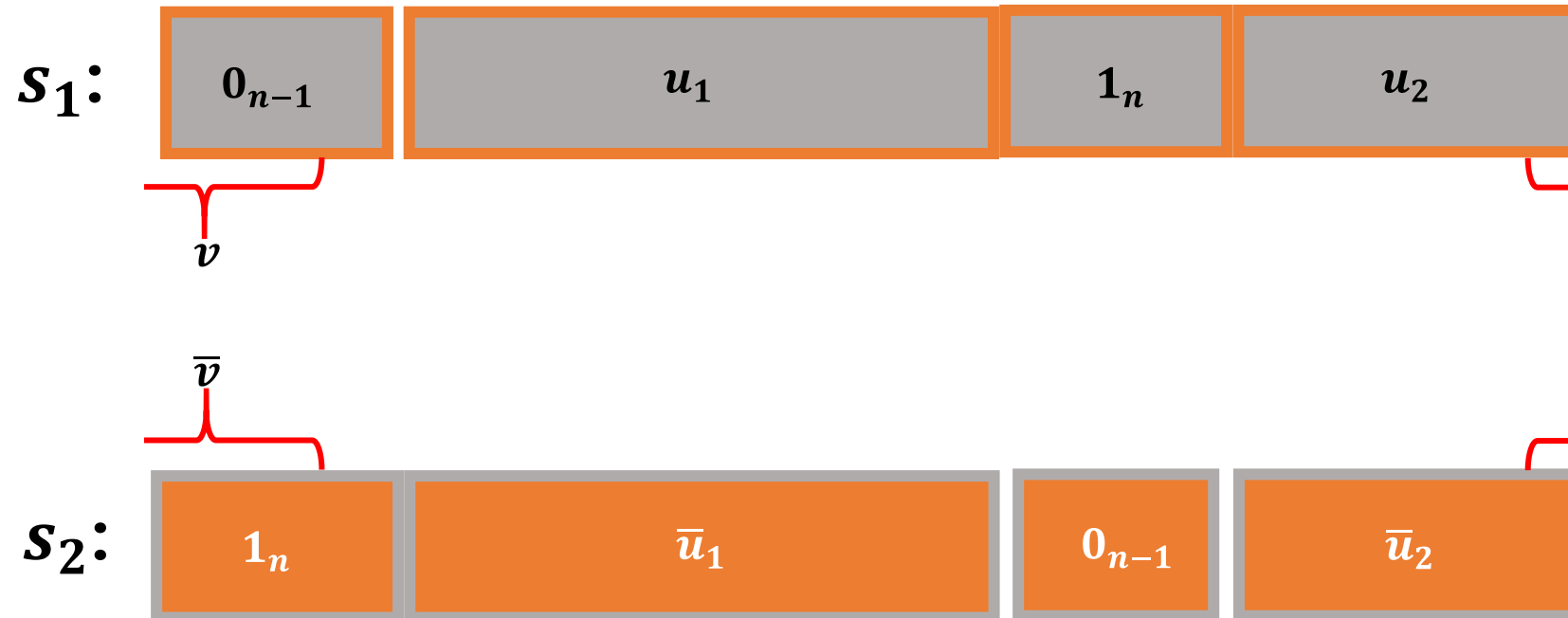
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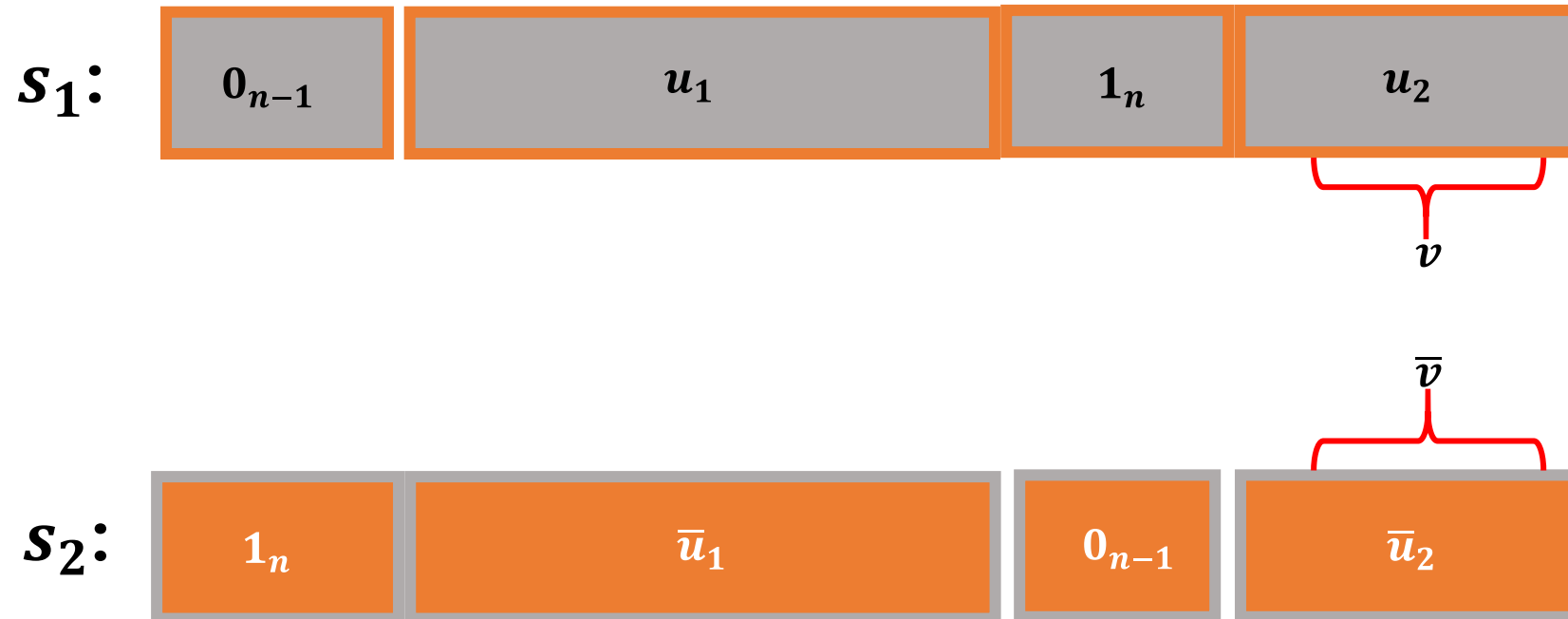
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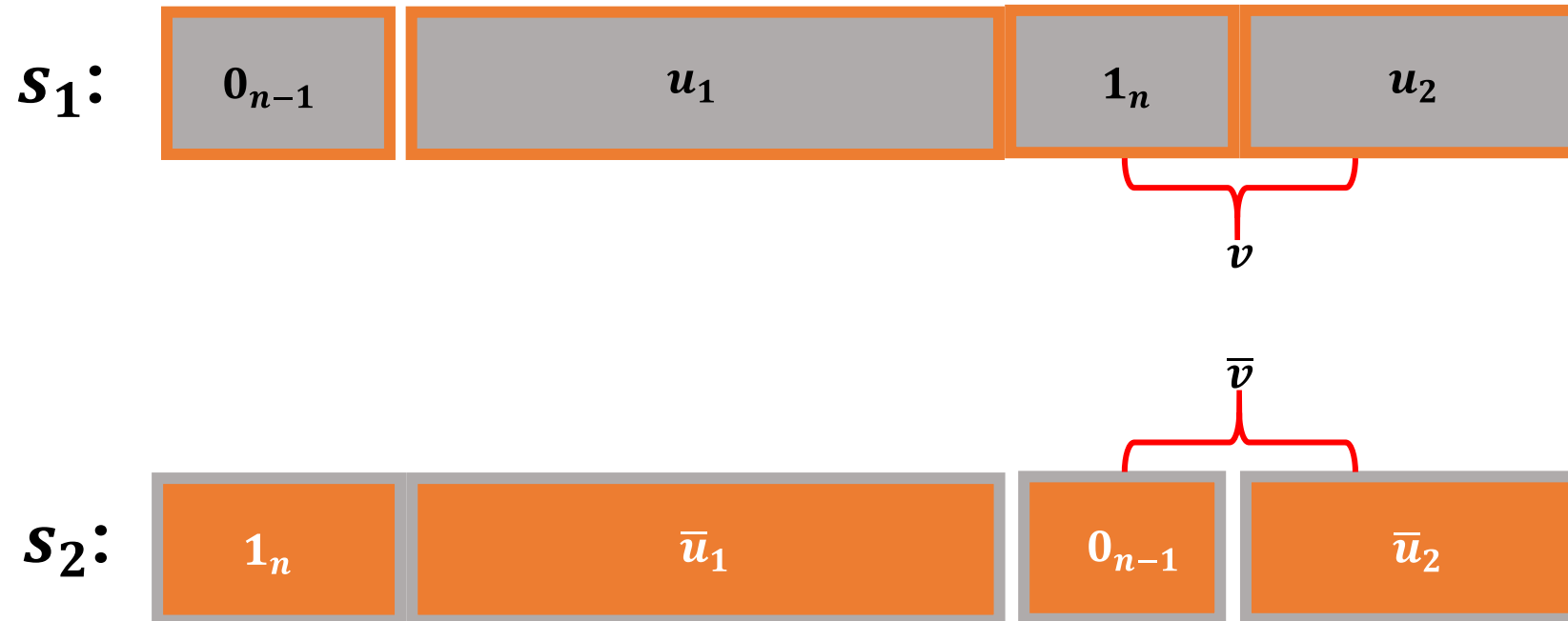
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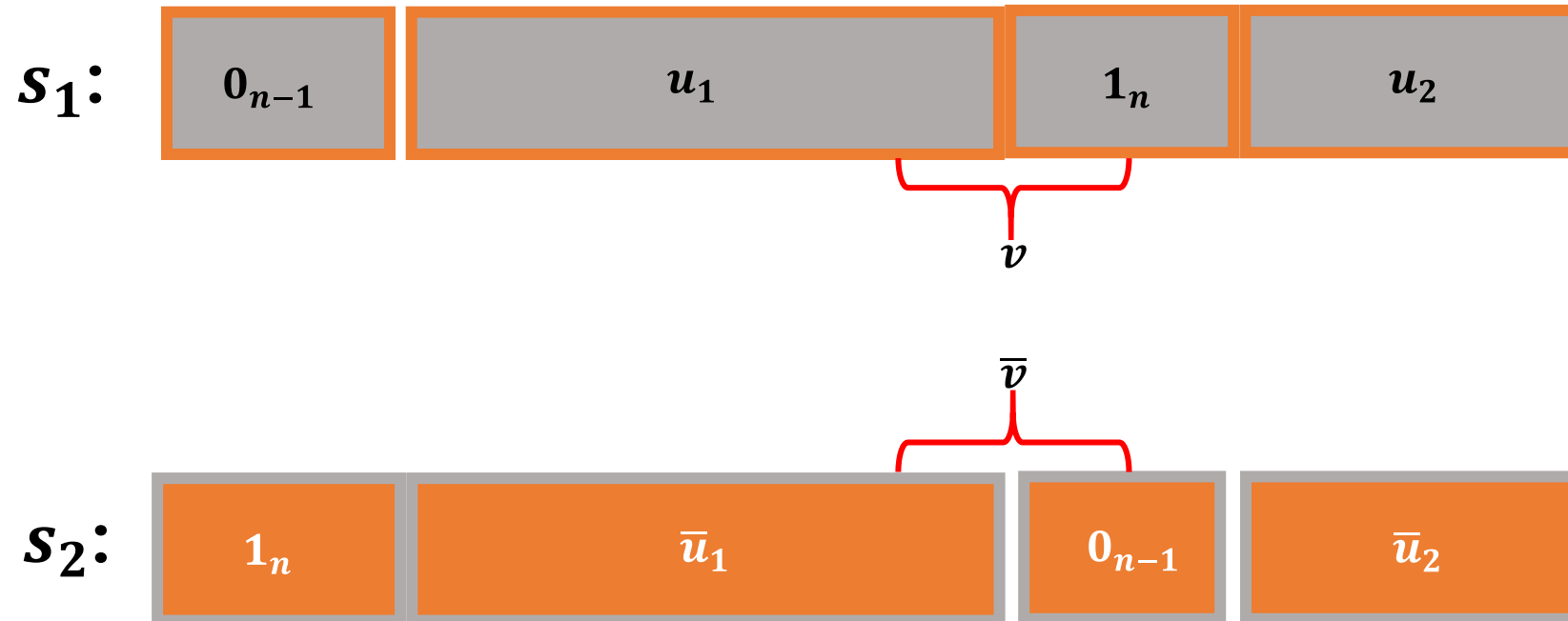




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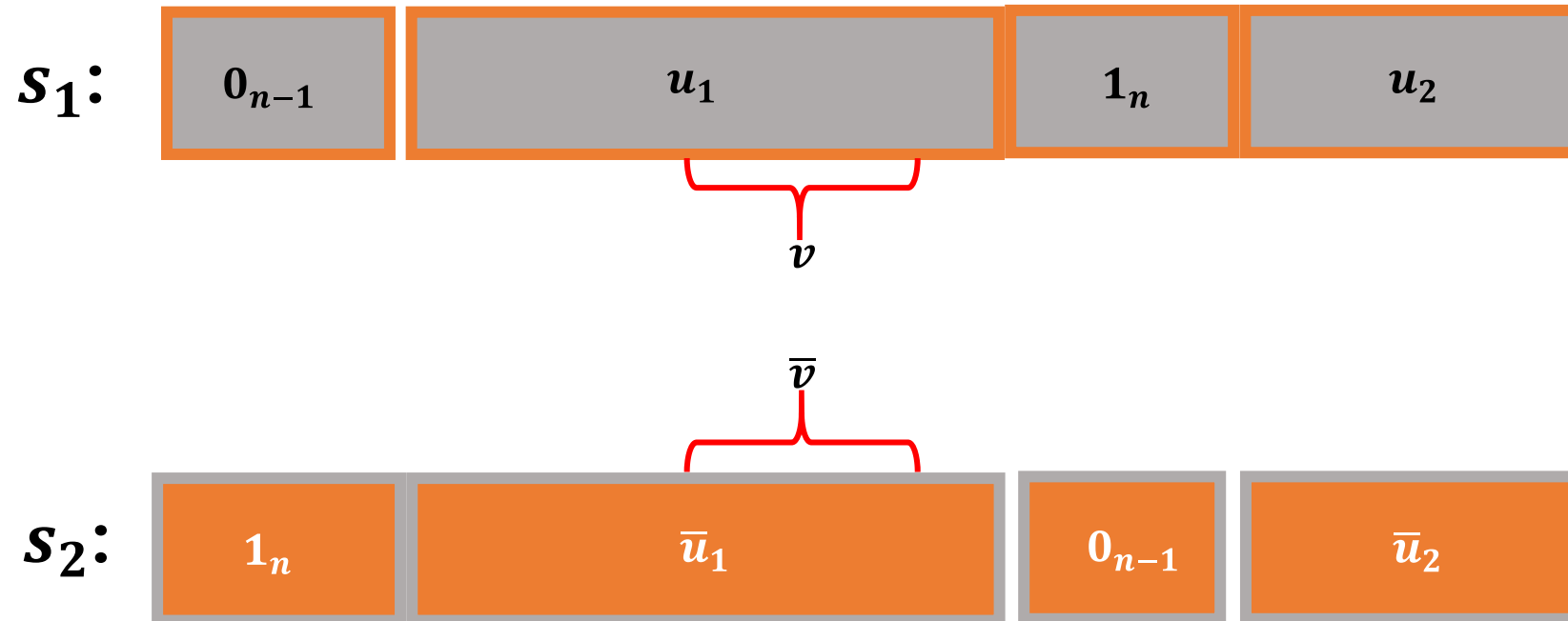
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## Example of Theorem 2



The following two sequences of length 31 are examples of Theorem 2:

$$\begin{array}{l} s_1: \boxed{0000 \quad 110010 \quad \underline{11111} \quad 0110111010001001} \\ \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{01000} \hspace{10cm} \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{01000} \hspace{1.5cm} \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{\hspace{1.5cm}} \\ \\ s_2: \boxed{\underline{11111} \quad 001101 \quad \underline{0000} \quad 1001000101110110} \\ \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{10111} \hspace{10cm} \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{10111} \hspace{1.5cm} \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{\hspace{1.5cm}} \end{array}$$



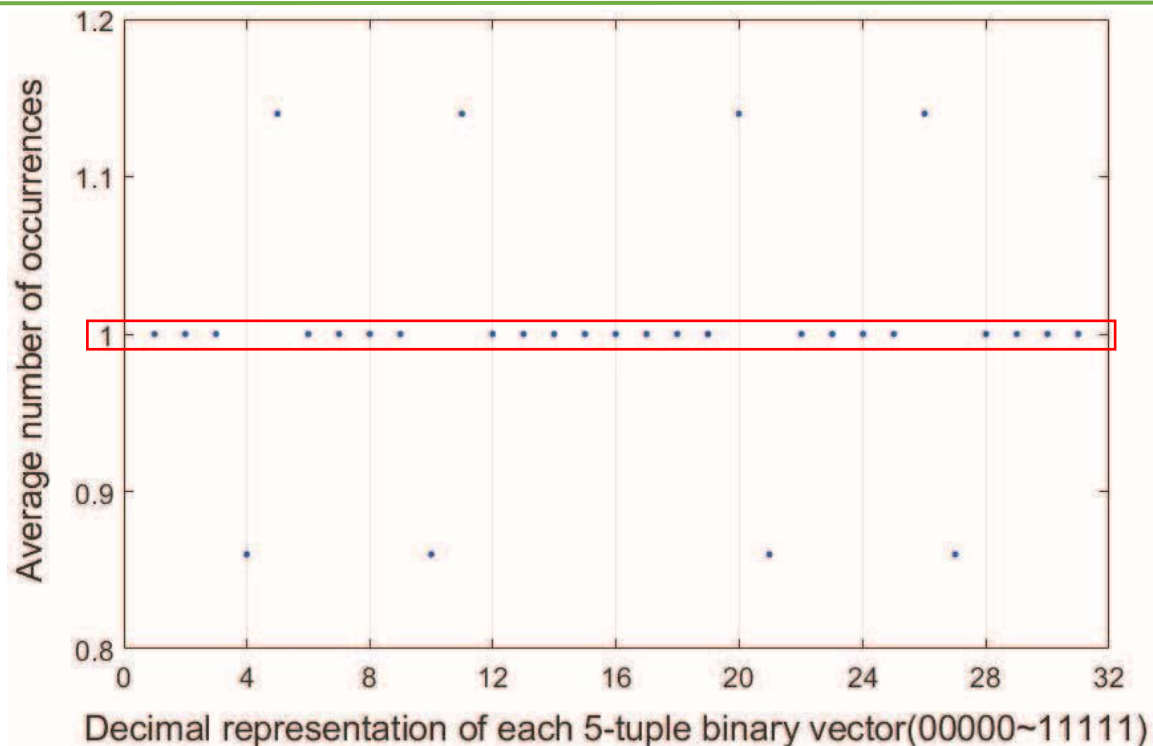
## Example of Theorem 2 (cont.)



$v$ : 5-tuple vector	# of $v$ in $s_1$	# of $v$ in $s_2$	$\bar{v}$ : complement of $v$	# of $\bar{v}$ in $s_1$	# of $\bar{v}$ in $s_2$
00000	0	0	11111	1	1
00001	1	1	11110	1	1
00010	1	2	11101	2	1
00011	1	0	11100	0	1
00100	2	2	11011	2	2
00101	1	1	11010	1	1
00110	1	1	11001	1	1
00111	0	0	11000	0	0
01000	2	2	10111	2	2
01001	1	1	10110	1	1
01010	0	0	10101	0	0
01011	1	1	10100	1	1
01100	1	0	10011	0	1
01101	1	2	10010	2	1
01110	1	1	10001	1	1
01111	1	1	10000	1	1



# Average occurrence of $n$ -tuple vector



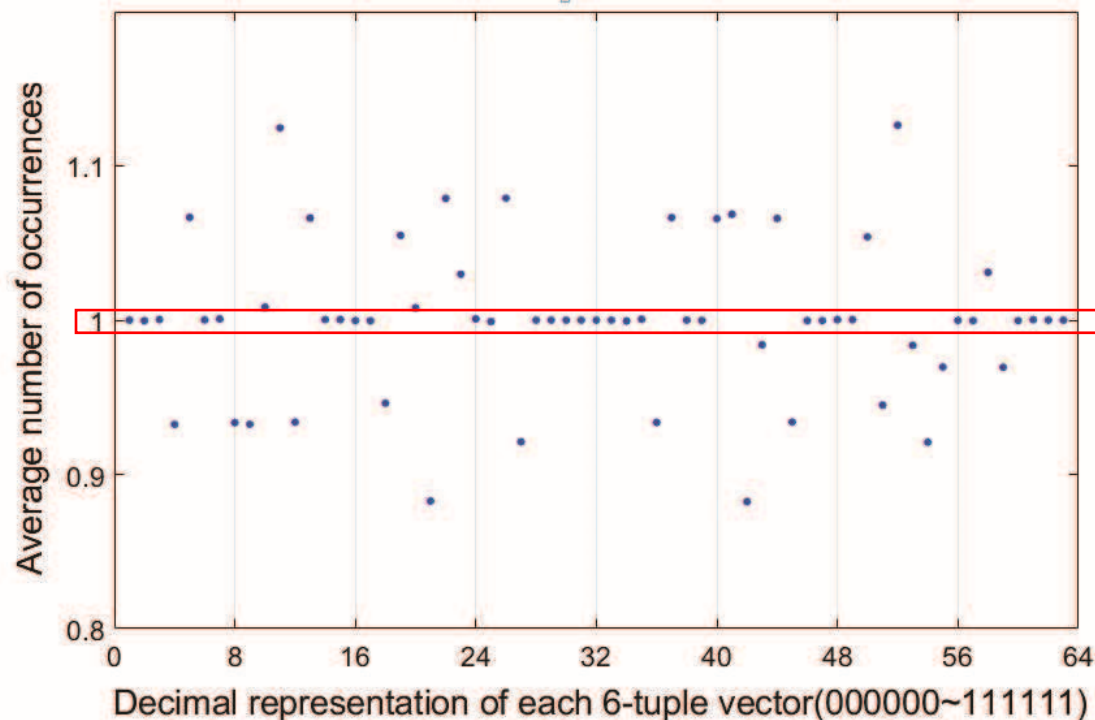
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**Which  $n$ -tuple vectors have an average of 1?**



# Average occurrence of $n$ -tuple vector



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**Which  $n$ -tuple vectors have an average of 1?**



# The vectors which occur exactly once



## Theorem 3.

The following 7  $n$ -tuple vectors **occur exactly once** in any run sequence of length  $2^n - 1$ :

$$a0_{n-2}b \quad \text{and} \quad a1_{n-2}b,$$

where  $a, b \in \{0,1\}$ , except for the all-zero vector.

Theorem 3 is **the subcase** of **average of 1**.



# The vectors whose average is one



## Theorem 4.

**The average number of occurrences** of the following  $n$ -tuple vectors in all the run sequence of length  $2^n - 1$  **is equal to 1** :

$$a0_k1_{n-2-k}b \quad \text{and} \quad a1_k0_{n-2-k}b,$$

where  $a, b \in \{0,1\}$  and  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n - 2$ , except for the all-zero vector.





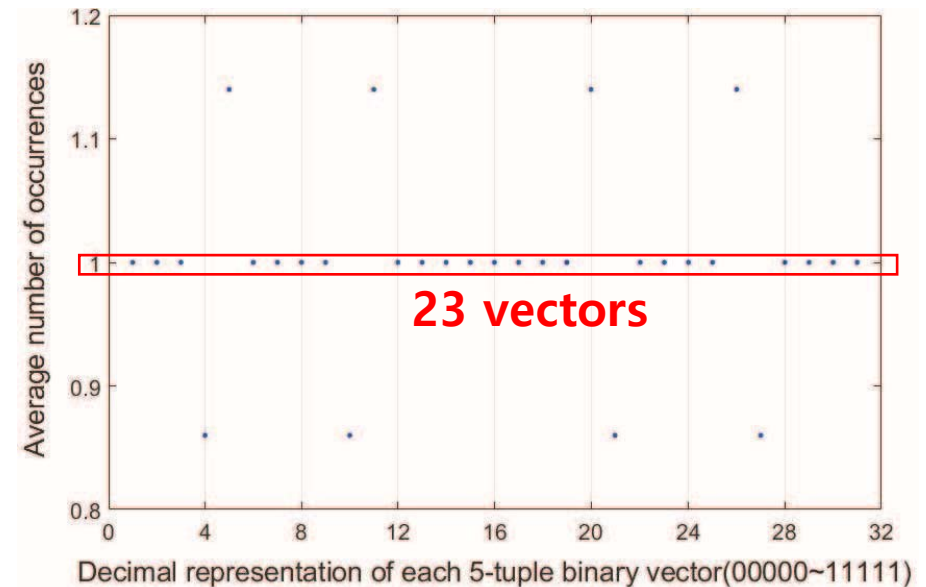
# Example of Theorem 3, 4

**23 vectors**

$n = 5$

00011, 00111, 11100, 11000,  
00010, 00110, 11101, 11001,  
10011, 10111, 01100, 01000,  
10010, 10110, 01101, 01001  
in Theorem 4.

00001, 10000, 10001, 01110,  
01111, 11110, 11111  
in Theorem 3, 4.



**The 23 vectors** described in Theorem 4 cover **all the 5-tuple vectors** whose **average number of 1**.

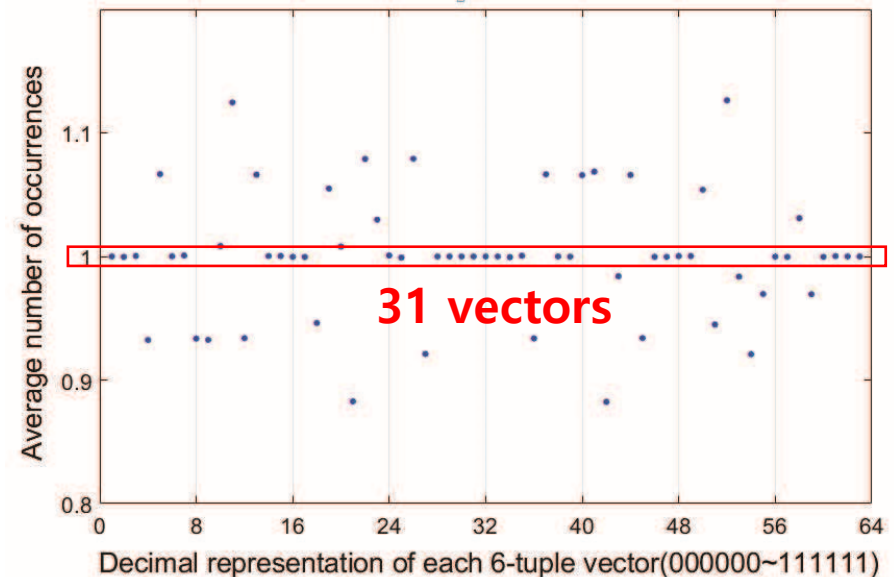
# Example of Theorem 3, 4 (cont.)

**31 vectors**

$n = 6$

000011, 000111, 001111, 111100,  
111000, 110000, 000010, 000110,  
001110, 111101, 111001, 110001,  
100011, 100111, 101111, 011100,  
011000, 010000, 100010, 100110,  
10110, 011101, 011001, 010001  
in Theorem 4.

000001, 100000, 100001, 011110,  
011111, 111110, 111111  
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## **IV. Conclusion**

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# Conclusion



- Calculate **the number of run sequences** of length  $2^n - 1$  and approximate **increase rate of that number** by an exponential form of 2
- Present some interesting properties about  **$n$ -tuple vector distribution of run sequences** of  $2^n - 1$ .

## Future Works

- Study  **$n$ -tuple vector distribution of run sequences** of length  $2^n$  for deBruijn sequences.
- Develop **generating method for run, span and deBruijn sequences**



# Thank you

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# Appendix-Theorem3



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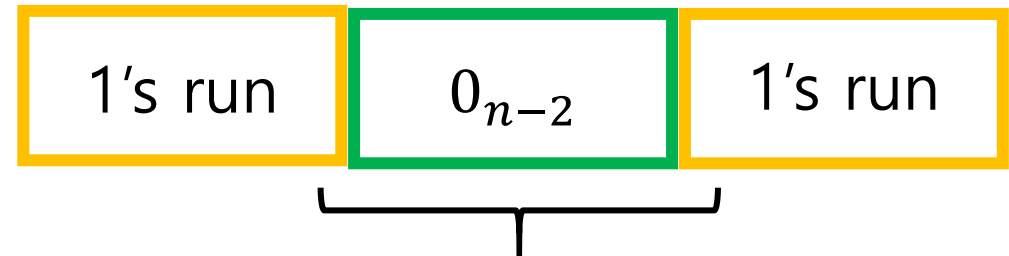
$$a0_{n-2}b \quad \text{and} \quad a1_{n-2}b,$$

where  $a, b \in \{0,1\}$ , except for the all-zero vector.



# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 3

Length	0's run
$n$	0
$n - 1$	1
$n - 2$	$2^0$
$n - 3$	$2^1$
...	...
2	$2^{n-4}$
1	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$



Only one  $10_{n-2}1$

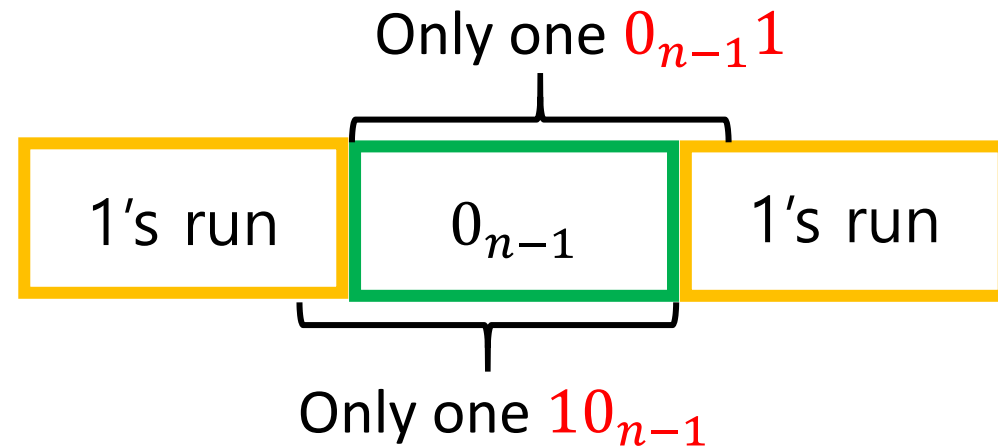
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# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 3 (cont.)



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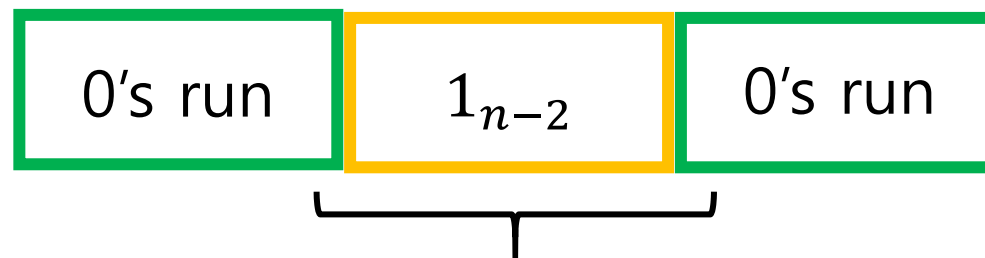
Two  $n$ -tuple vector  $10_{n-1}$  and  $0_{n-1}1$  occur exactly once.



# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 3 (cont.)



Length	1's run
$n$	1
$n - 1$	0
$n - 2$	$2^0$
$n - 3$	$2^1$
...	...
2	$2^{n-4}$
1	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$

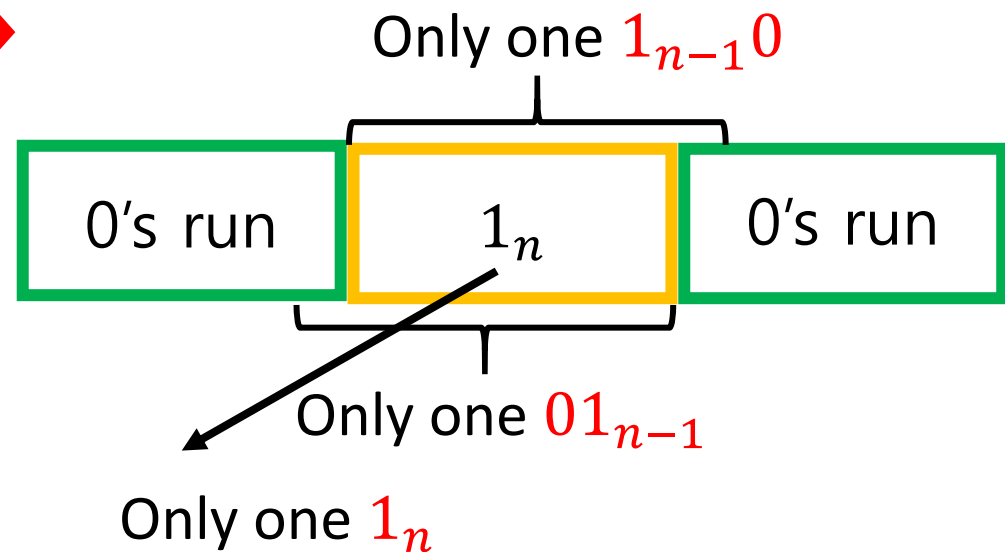


Only one  $01_{n-2}0$

An  $n$ -tuple vector  $01_{n-2}0$  occurs exactly once.

# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 3 (cont.)

Length	1's run
$n$	1
$n - 1$	0
$n - 2$	$2^0$
$n - 3$	$2^1$
...	...
2	$2^{n-4}$
1	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$



Three  $n$ -tuple vector  $1_{n-1}0$ ,  $01_{n-1}$ , and  $1_n$  occur exactly once.



# Appendix: Theorem 4



## Theorem 4.

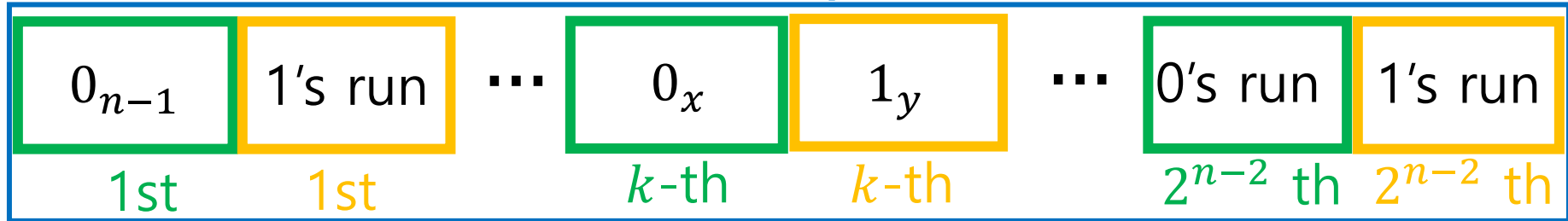
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# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4

## The run sequence



Length	1's run	0's run
$n$	1	0
$n - 1$	0	1
$n - 2$	$2^0$	$2^0$
...	...	...
$x$	No matter	$2^{n-2-x}$
$y$	$2^{n-2-y}$	No matter
...	...	...
2	$2^{n-4}$	$2^{n-4}$
1	$2^{n-3}$	$2^{n-3}$
Total	$2^{n-2}$	$2^{n-2}$

For  $1 \leq x, y \leq n - 2$ ,

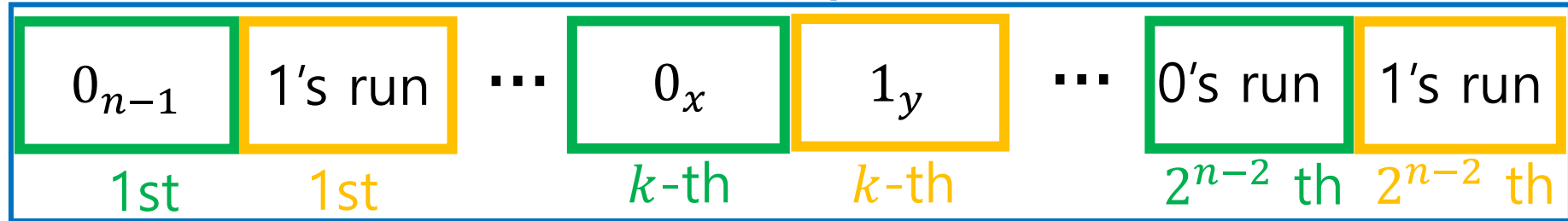
# of run sequences such that

**k-th 0's run is  $0_x$**  and

**k-th 1's run is  $1_y$**

$$= \binom{2^{n-2} - 2}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-x} - 1, \dots, 2^0} \times \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-y} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1}$$

## The run sequence



Since  $k$  is possible for  $k = 2, 3, \dots, 2^{n-2}$ , # of occurrences of  **$10_x 1_y 0$**  in all the run sequences is  $(2^{n-2} - 1)$  times   :

$$= \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-x} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \\ \times \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-y} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1}$$

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# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



For  $1 \leq x, y \leq n - 2$ ,

$$T(x, y) = \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-x} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \times \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-y} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1}$$

$$T(n - 1, y) = \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0} \times \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-y} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1}$$

$$T(x, n) = \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-x} - 1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \times \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0}$$

$$T(n - 1, n) = \left( \binom{2^{n-2} - 1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0} \right)^2$$

※  $T(a, b)$ : The number of occurrences of  $10_a 1_b 0$





# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



We prove only two cases for  $2 \leq k \leq n - 2$ :

**Case 1:** the  $n$ -tuple vector  $0_k 1_{n-k}$

**Case 2:** the  $n$ -tuple vector  $10_{k-1} 1_{n-k-1} 0$

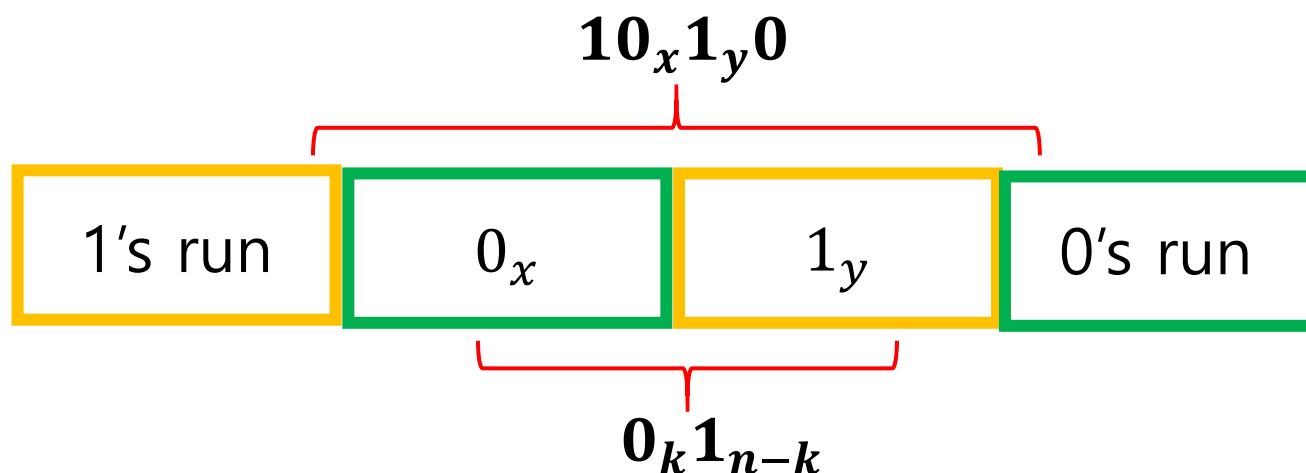


# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



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# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



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Therefore **the total number of occurrences of  $0_k 1_{n-k}$  in all cyclically distinct run sequences of length  $2^n - 1$  is equal to**

$$\sum_{x=k}^{n-1} \sum_{y=n-k}^n T(x, y).$$

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# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



**Case 1:** the  $n$ -tuple vector  $0_k 1_{n-k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x=k}^{n-1} \sum_{y=n-k}^n T(x, y) &= \left\{ \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0} + \sum_{x=k}^{n-2} \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-x}-1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \right\} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0} + \sum_{y=n-k}^{n-2} \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-2-y}-1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \right\} \\ &= \left( \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} + \sum_{x=k}^{n-2} \frac{2^{n-x-2}}{2^{n-2}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} + \sum_{y=n-k}^{n-2} \frac{2^{n-y-2}}{2^{n-2}} \right) \left( 2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0, 1 \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \left( 2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0, 1 \right)^2 = l_n \end{aligned}$$

※  $T(a, b)$ : The number of occurrences of  $10_a 1_b 0$



# Appendix: Proof of Theorem 4(cont.)



**Case 2:** the  $n$ -tuple vector  $10_{k-1}1_{n-k-1}0$

The total number of occurrences of  $10_{k-1}1_{n-k-1}0$  is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} T(k-1, n-k-1) &= \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{n-1-k}-1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \times \binom{2^{n-2}-1}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^{k-1}-1, \dots, 2^0, 1} \\ &= \frac{2^{n-1-k}}{2^{n-2}} \cdot \frac{2^{k-1}}{2^{n-2}} \left( \binom{2^{n-2}}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0, 1} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} \left( \binom{2^{n-2}}{2^{n-3}, \dots, 2^0, 1} \right)^2 = l_n. \end{aligned}$$

※  $T(a, b)$ : The number of occurrences of  $10_a1_b0$