# Approximately Optimal Distributions via the ADT Linear Deterministic Model 

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## Communication with side information



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## A technical lemma

Let $A$ and $B$ be two matrices in $\mathbb{F}_{2}$ with the same number of columns. Then

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