# Partial boundary value problems on finite networks 

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Corollary
If $P, Q \subseteq \delta(F)$, then

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$\leadsto$ Generalization of Curtis and Morrow's results in 2000

## Theorem

$(P, Q)$ circular pair -of size $k$ - of $\delta(F)$, where $P$ and $Q$ are disjoint arcs of the boundary circle

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Taking $A=\left\{v_{1}^{S}, \ldots, v_{\frac{n-1}{2}}^{S}\right\}, B=\left\{v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}^{S}, \ldots, v_{n-1}^{S}\right\}$ and $R=\left\{v_{n}^{S}\right\}$ (or equivalent configurations), then $A$ and $B$ is a circular pair always connected through the network


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## Reconstruction - Step 5

$\leadsto$ With this information, we obtain two new conductances


## Reconstruction - Step 6

$\leadsto$...and rotating the BVP, we obtain more conductances


## Reconstruction - Step 7

$\leadsto$ Now we can even obtain two more conductances


## Reconstruction - Step 8

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