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# Quantum Cryptography in Algorithmica

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# Introduction

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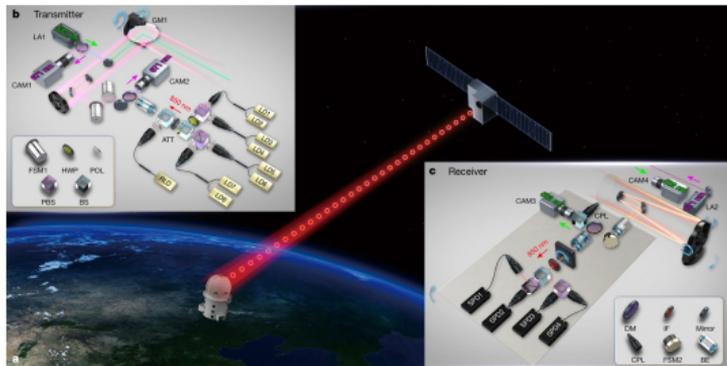
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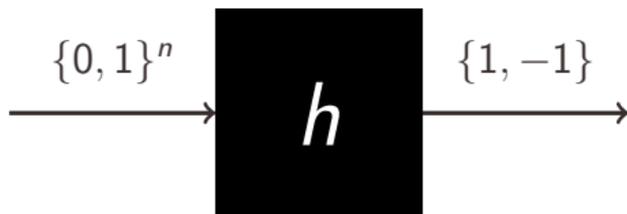
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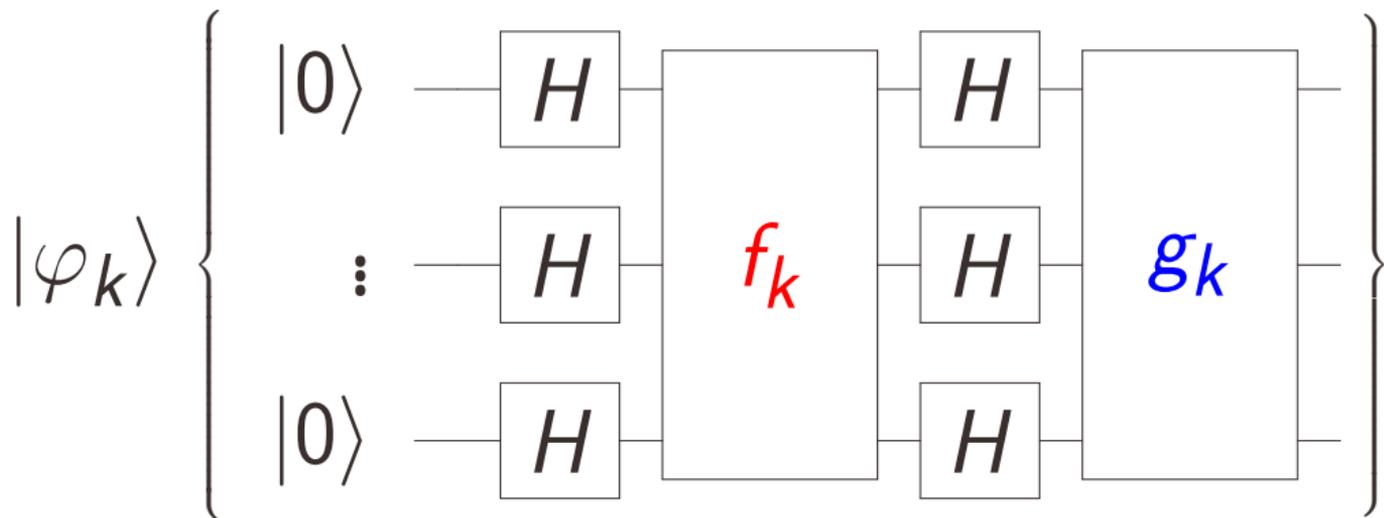
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[Aaronson-Ingram-K. 2022]

H<sub>1</sub>:  $|\varphi_k\rangle$

H<sub>2</sub>:  $|\Phi_h\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_x h(x) |x\rangle$  for  $h$   
correlated w/  $\hat{f}_k \cdot g_k$

H<sub>3</sub>:  $|\Phi_h\rangle$  for  $h$  uniform

H<sub>4</sub>:  $|\psi\rangle$  Haar-random

# Open Problems

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Do single-copy PRSs imply  $P \neq PSPACE$ ?

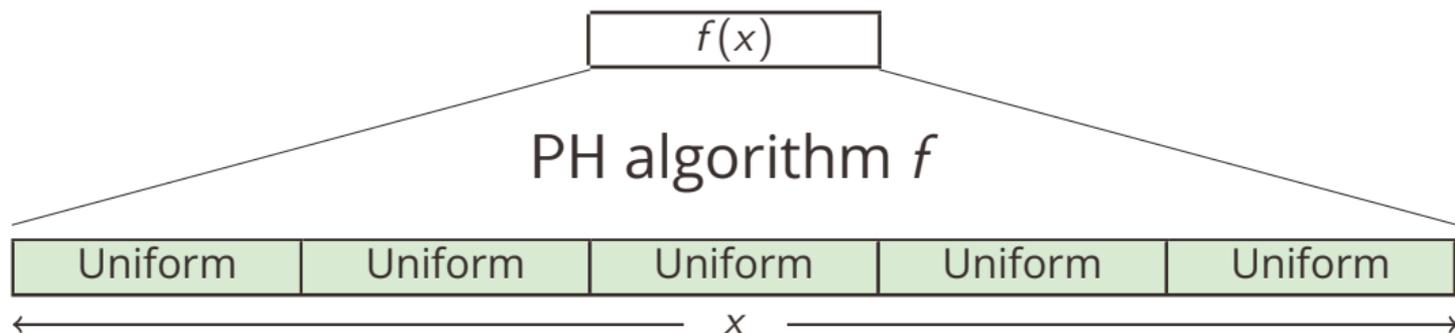
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