

Verification of quantum computation

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1. *Problem formulation*

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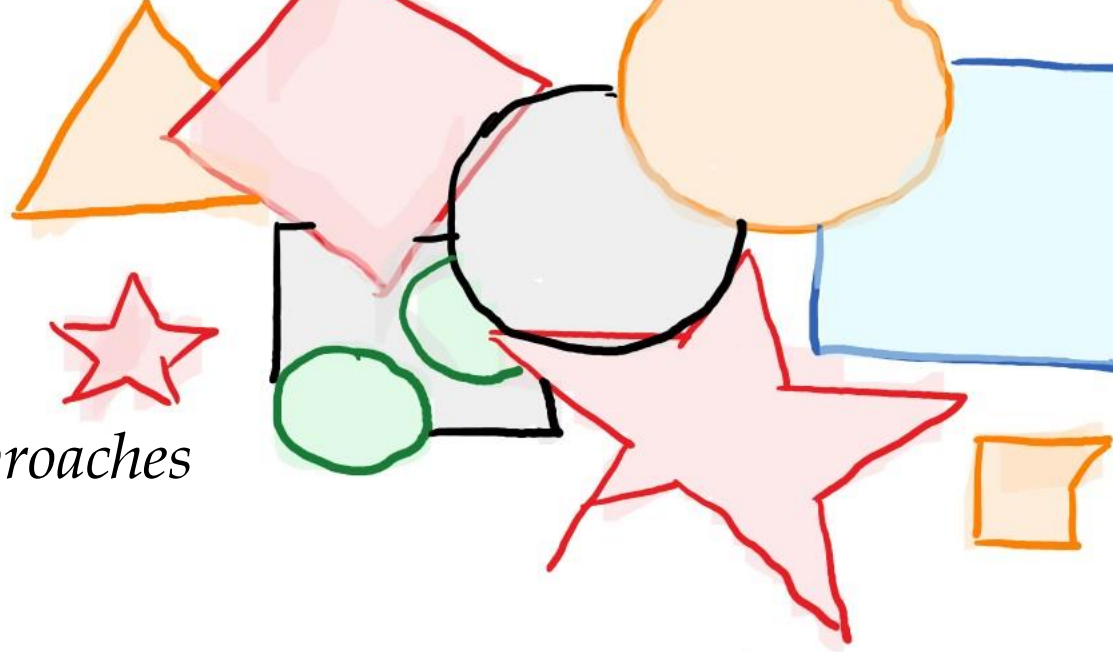
3. *Prepare & send*

4. *Two-prover delegation*

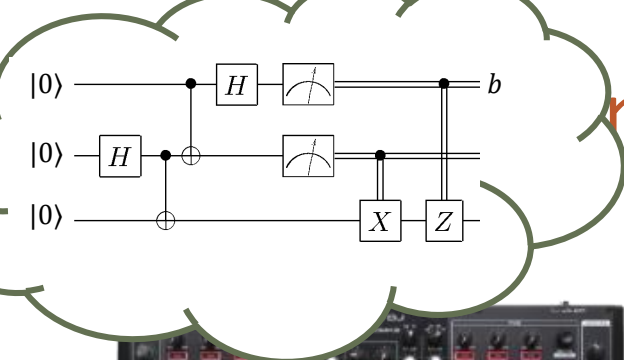
5. *Receive & measure*

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7. *Coda*



Problem formulation

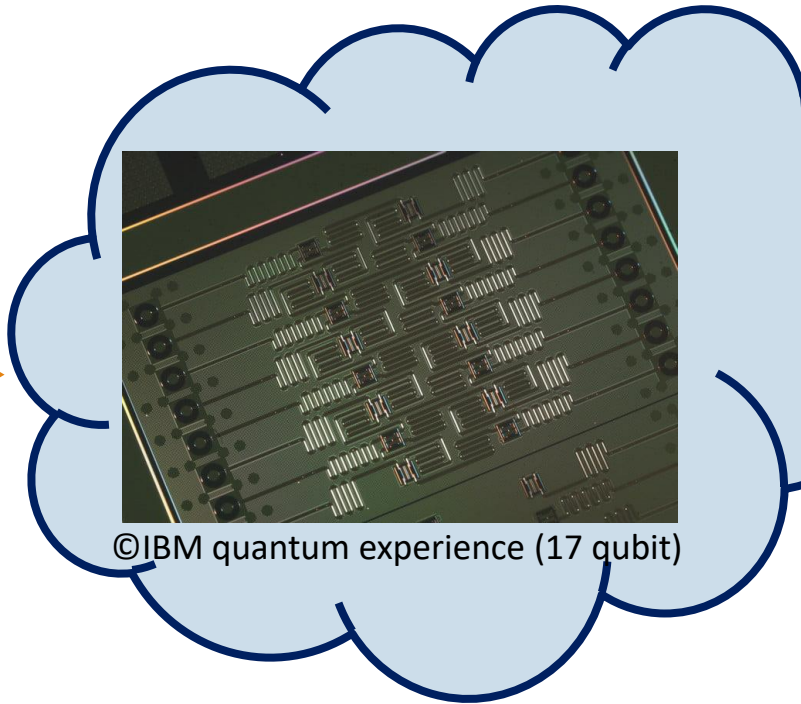


Simulation



user

classical or quantum
communication



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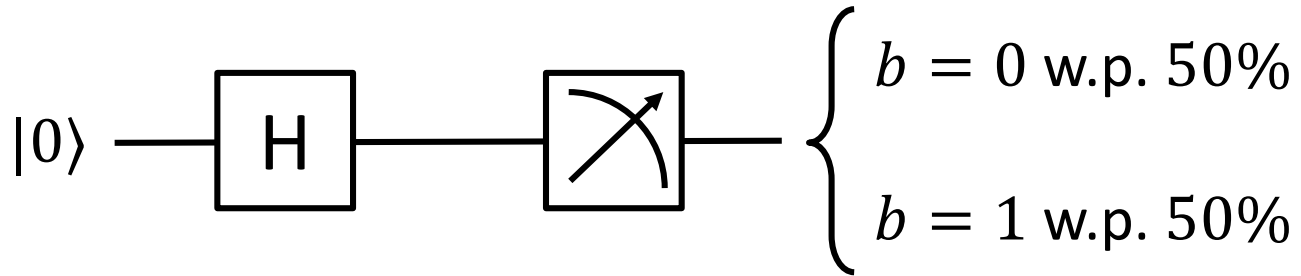
device

→ (*flag, b*)

- Verifier has quantum computation C
- Multiple rounds of interaction with quantum device
- Verifier returns $(flag, b)$ s.t. $flag \in \{acc, rej\}$ and $b \in \{0,1\}$
- Goal: Whenever $\Pr(flag = acc)$ is non-negligible,

$$\Pr(b = 1 | flag = acc) \approx \Pr(C \text{ returns } 1 \text{ on input } |0^n\rangle)$$

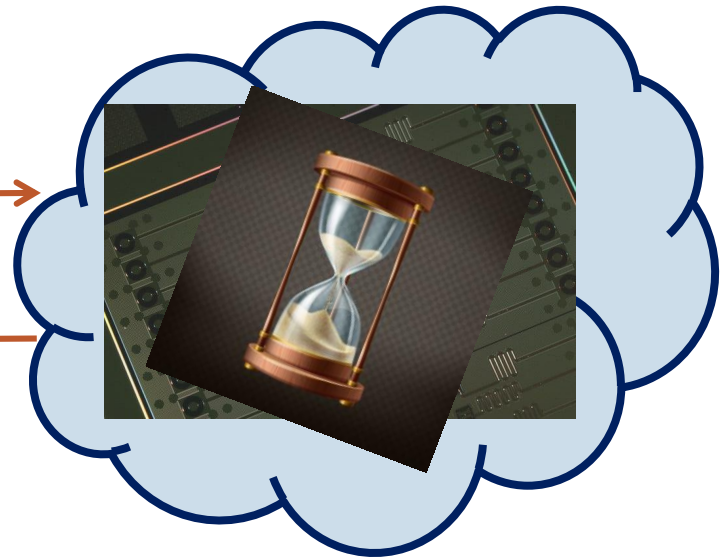
An example



Really??

“description of circuit C ”

“I got $b = 0$ ”



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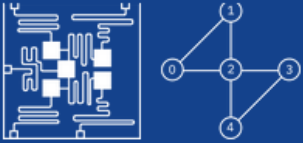
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Readout error (10^{-3})

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MultiQubit gate error (10^{-3})

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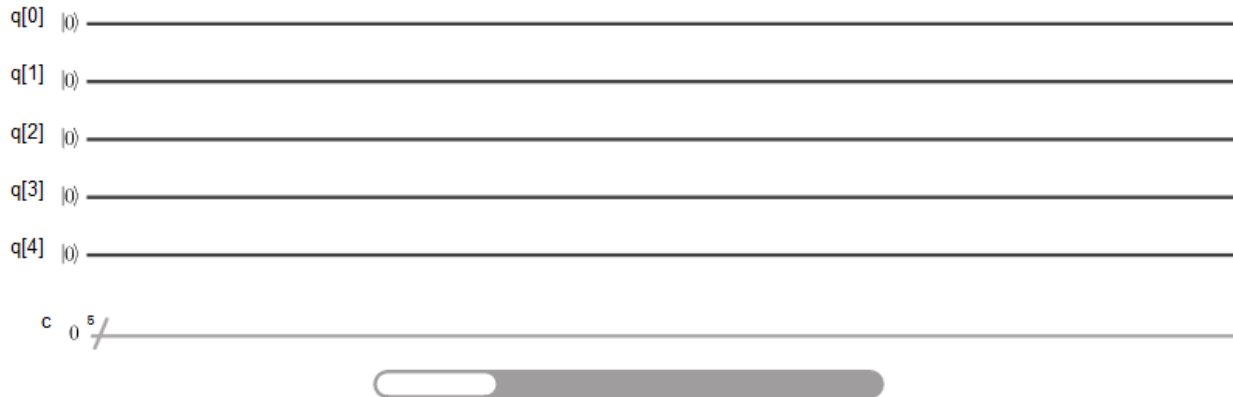
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GATES Advanced

Gate selection panel containing buttons for: id, X, Y, Z, H, S, S†, T, T†, and a plus sign (+).

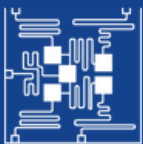
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Barrier and Operations gate selection buttons.

Light control panel with a light icon and a slider labeled 'light'.

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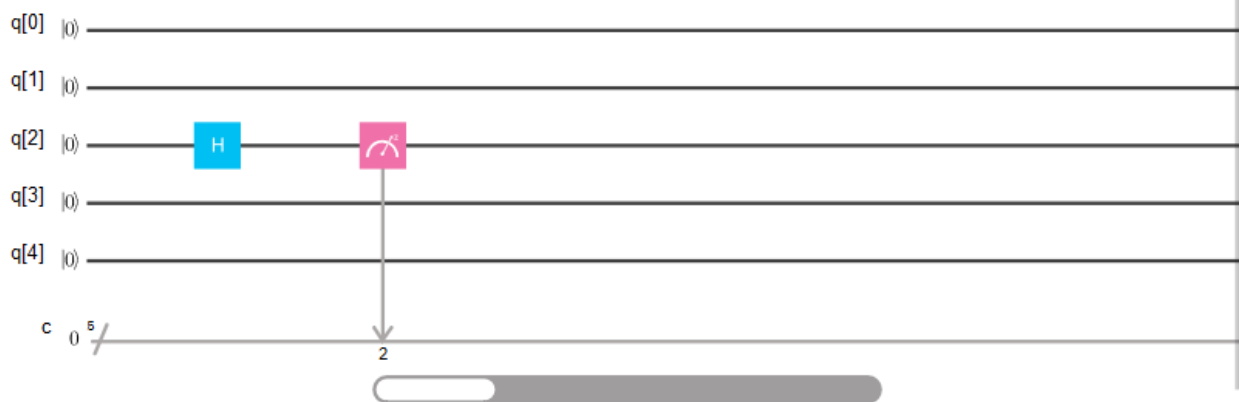
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id X Y Z
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T T†

BARRIER OPERATIONS

Barrier icon CNOT icon

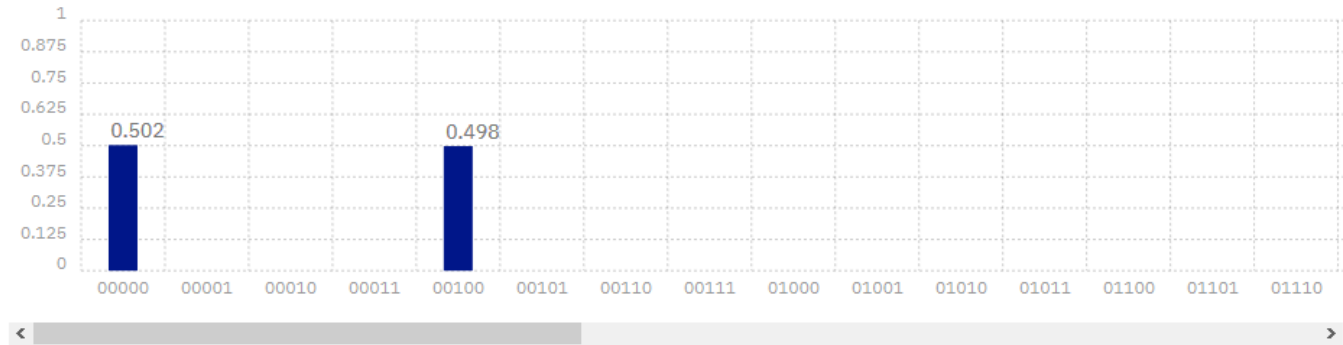
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Device: ibmqx4

Quantum State: Computation Basis

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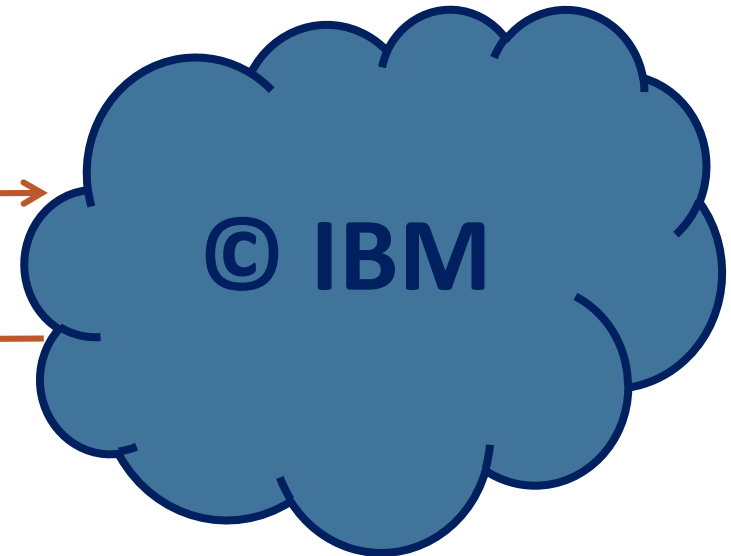
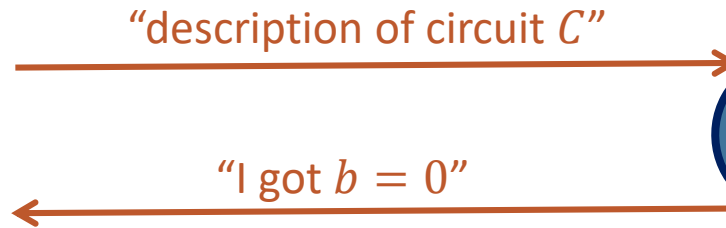
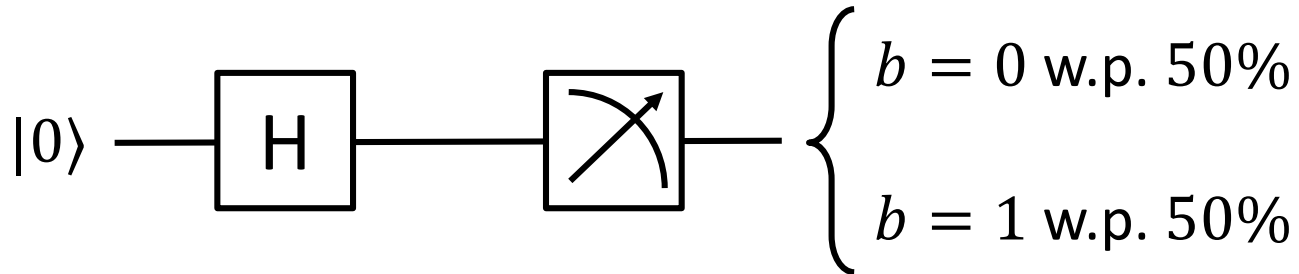
Quantum Circuit

```
OPENQASM 2.0
1 include "qelib1.inc";
2
3 qreg q[5];
4 creg c[5];
5
6 h q[2];
7 measure q[2] -> c[2];
8
```

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An example

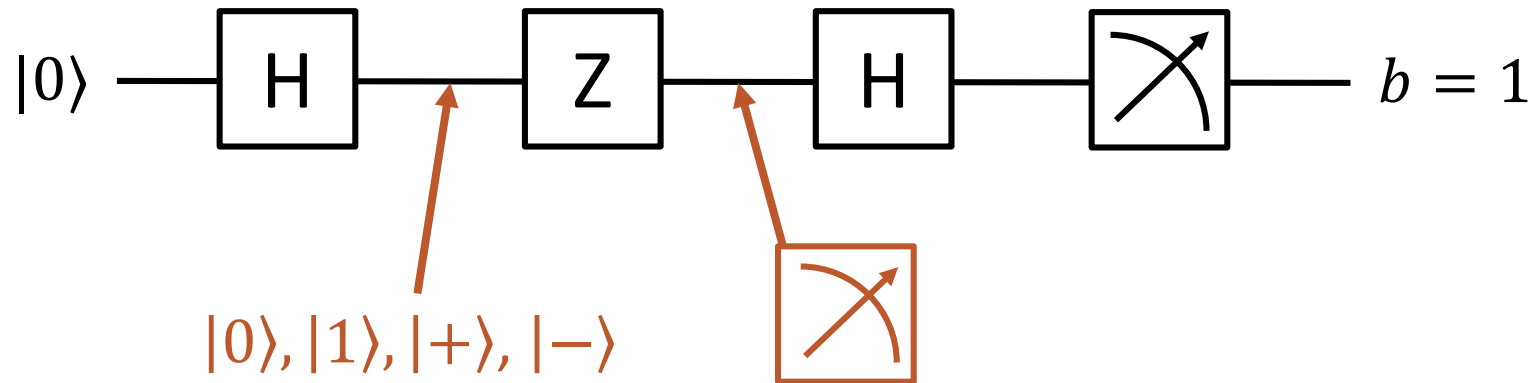


Really??

Repeat and collect statistics?

Run some tests?

Aside: benchmarking



Sequentially test gate by injecting well-characterized states and collecting output statistics

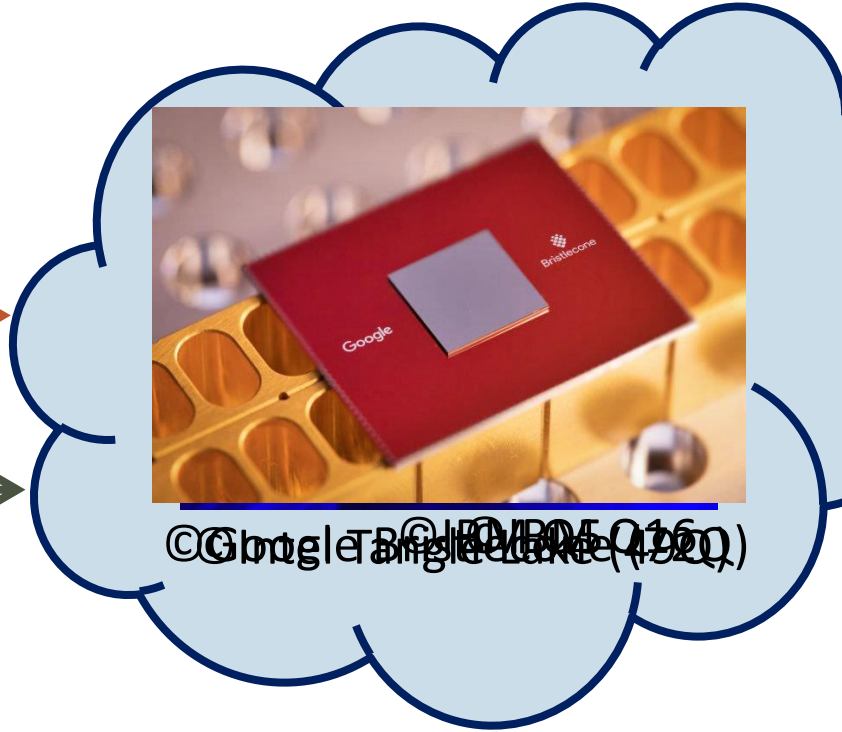
- Requires access to inner workings of device
- Trusted state preparation and/or measurement
- Gates are not allowed to be “malicious”, e.g. i.i.d. behavior is generally assumed
- Ineffective at large scales

Testing quantum mechanics at scale



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(c)



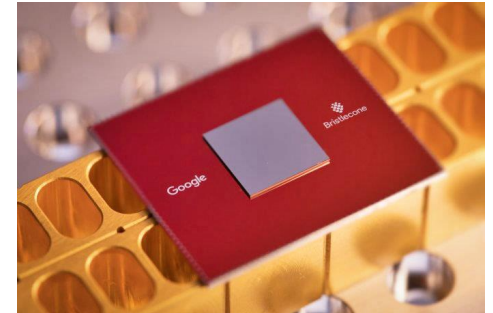
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- Quantum mechanics untested at large scales
- Is there a limit to the exponential scaling of quantum devices?

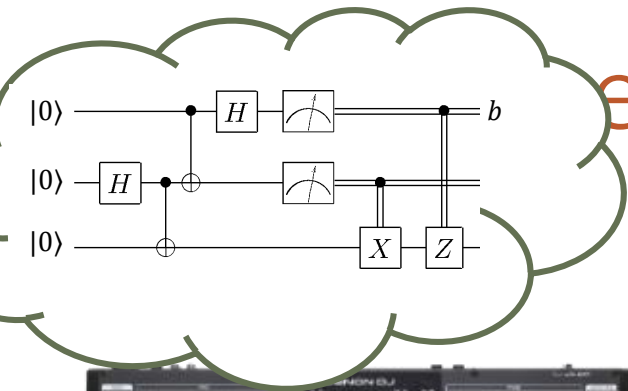
Some other reasons to care

- Near-term demonstration of quantum advantage
 - Can verifiability be baked in current proposals?
- Cryptographic techniques
 - What modes of encryption allow transversal computation?
 - Can they be combined with authentication?
- Models of computation & fault-tolerance
 - Do small nodes in a quantum network create fault-tolerance bottlenecks?
- Complexity theory
 - What is the expressive power of bounded-prover interactive proofs?
- Foundations
 - Are there analogues of the Bell inequalities without locality assumptions?



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Question



(c)



- Verifier is classical polynomial-time
- Communication channel is classical
- Can it verify a quantum computation?

Prelude:
Definitions

Informal definitions

A delegation protocol for quantum computations is:

A description of a (classical or quantum) polynomial-time **verifier**, that takes as input a **quantum circuit** C of size $|C| \leq n$, interacts with a **quantum prover**, and returns a pair $(flag, b)$ such that:

- *(Correctness)* There exists a (quantum, poly-time) prover P such that
$$V_n(C) \leftrightarrow P \text{ returns } (flag = acc, b \approx C|0\rangle)$$
- *(Verifiability)* For any prover P^* such that $\Pr(flag = acc)$ is non-negligible,
$$\Pr(b = 1 | flag = acc) \approx \Pr(C \text{ returns } 1 \text{ on input } |0^n\rangle)$$
- *(Blindness)* For any prover P^* , $View_P(V_n(C) \leftrightarrow P^*)$ does not depend on C

Formal definitions

“Stand-alone” definitions can fail! Example:

Protocol for testing if formula $\varphi = (x_1 \vee \overline{x_3} \vee x_5) \wedge (\dots)$ is satisfiable

1. Prover sends assignment $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$
2. Verifier checks that x satisfies φ

This protocol is blind (prover learns nothing about φ) & verifiable

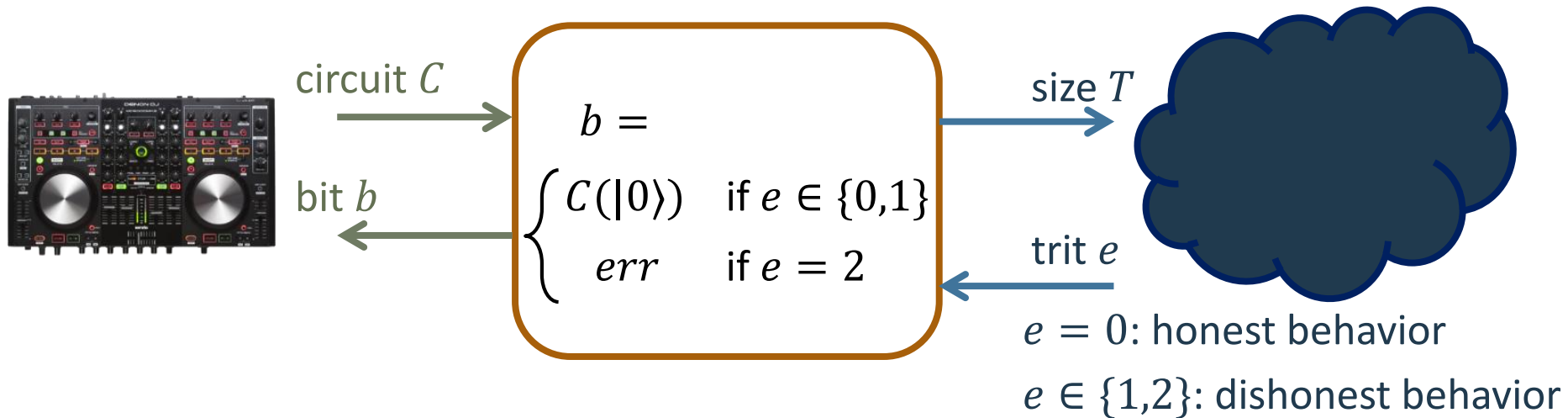
“*Attack*”: Prover sends a uniformly random assignment

- Learns information about φ from verifier’s accept/reject decision
- Protocol is not composable

Composable security: ideal-world/real-world paradigm

Formal definitions

Ideal functionality for verifiable & blind delegation



Composable definition (informal):

A protocol is verifiable & blind if for each party there exists a *simulator* such that for any malicious party the interaction (honest party) \leftrightarrow (malicious party) is indistinguishable from the interaction (ideal functionality) \leftrightarrow (simulator) \leftrightarrow (malicious party)

[DFPR'13] Many, *but not all*, of the protocols presented today are composable

Parameters

Input size: n = number of qubits of circuit C
 $|C|$ = number of gates

Completeness: Probability of accepting honest prover. This will always be ≈ 1

Soundness: Max. distinguishing ability between real-world/ideal-world.
Ideally, exponentially small in n .

Verifier complexity: Ideally, classical polynomial-time.
Limited quantum capability may be acceptable.

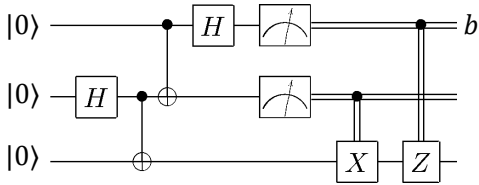
Prover complexity: Quantum polynomial-time. Ideally $\approx \text{runtime}(C)$.

Interaction: Minimize number of rounds + total communication

Overview of existing approaches

Models of computation

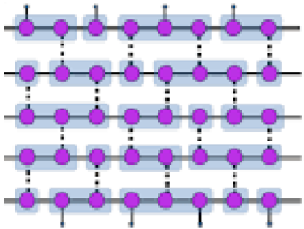
Circuit model



Input: circuit = sequence of gates acting on n qubits

Goal: determine value of output qubit, on input $|0\rangle$

Measurement-based



Input: adaptive sequence of single-qubit measurements

on resource state (e.g. “cluster state”)

Goal: determine value of output qubit

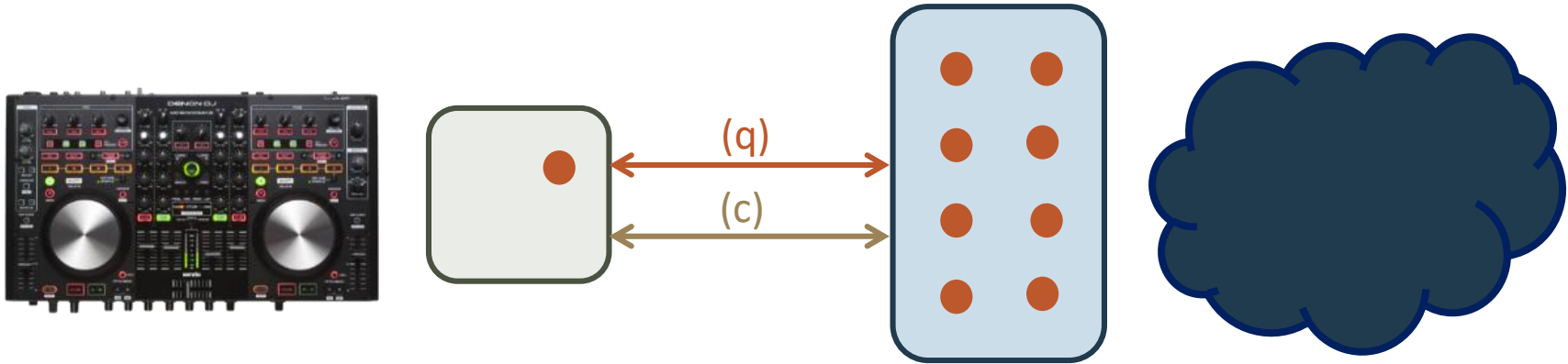
Hamiltonian model

Input: local Hamiltonian w. efficiently preparable ground state

$$H = H_{in} + H_{clock} + H_{prop} + H_{out}$$

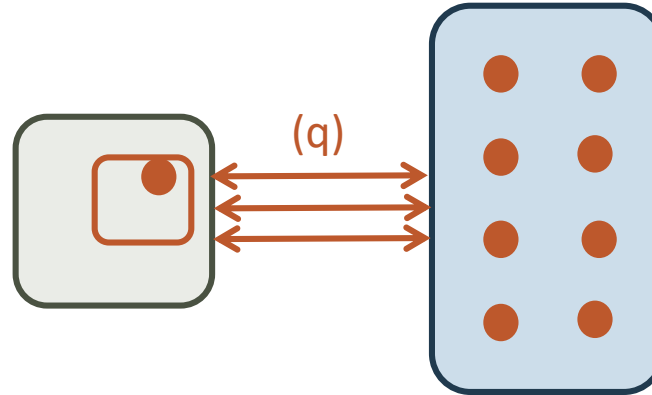
Goal: estimate ground state energy

Models for black-box verification



Challenge: Use minimal resources to verify
complex quantum computation

Models for black-box verification



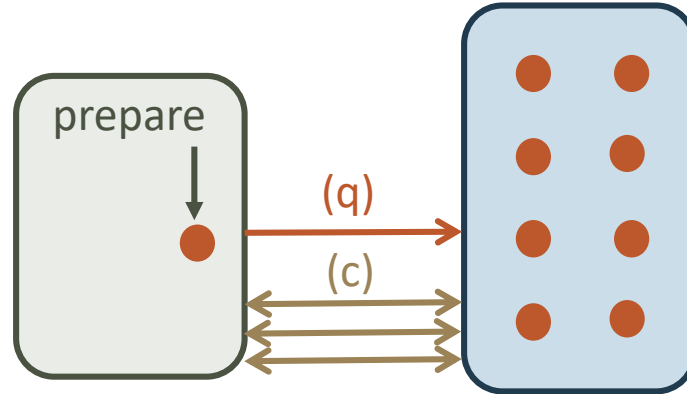
[Childs'05] Blind delegation

- Verifier has constant-size quantum computer and can only perform single-qubit Pauli gates
- Many-round quantum interaction
- Blind but not verifiable

Where are the qubits?

Honest-but-curious model

Models for black-box verification



[Aharonov-Ben-Or-Eban'08, Aharonov-Ben-Or-Eban-Mahadev'18]

[Broadbent-Fitzsimons-Kashefi'09, Fitzsimons-Kashefi'16]

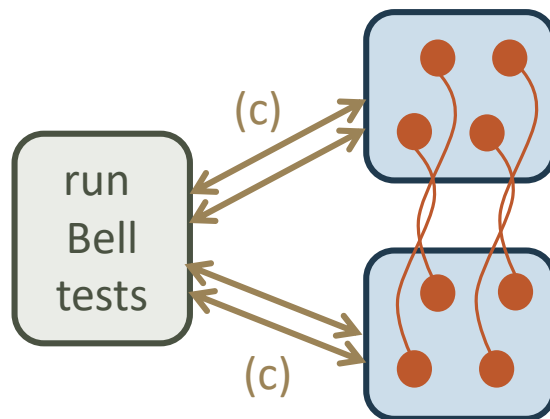
“Prepare-and-send” protocols:

- Verifier has ability to prepare & send $O(1)$ qubits at a time
- Many-round classical interaction
 - [ABOE] *Circuit model*, uses authentication codes
 - [BFK] *Measurement-based model*, uses traps
- Both protocols are blind + verifiable

Where are the qubits?

The verifier creates them

Models for black-box verification



[Reichardt-Unger-Vazirani'12]

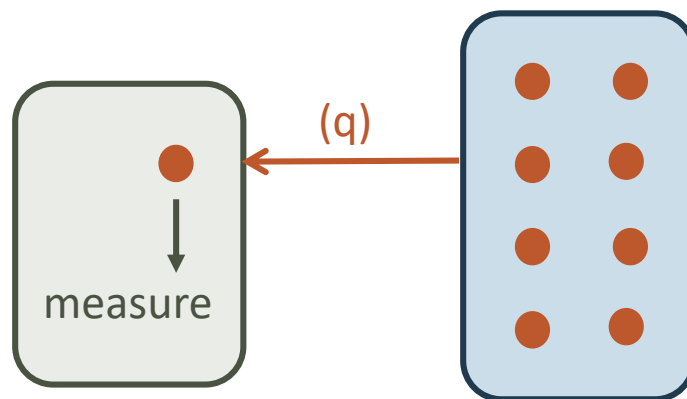
Two-prover protocols:

- Verifier is classical
- Many-round classical interaction with two isolated provers
- Verifier uses Bell tests to do state & process tomography
- Protocol is blind + verifiable

Where are the qubits?

Bell tests \rightarrow EPR pairs \rightarrow qubits

Models for black-box verification



[Morimae-Fuji'13, Morimae-Fitzsimons'16]

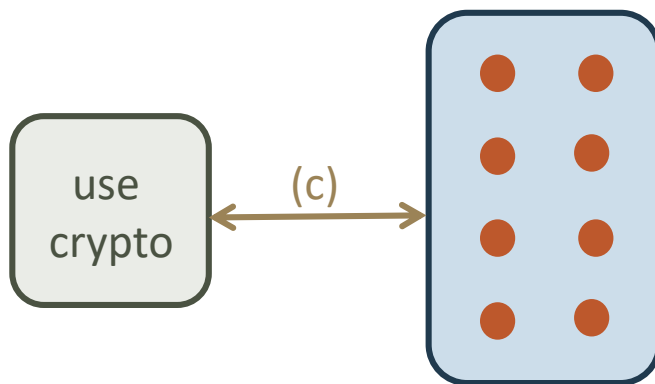
“Receive & measure” protocols:

- Verifier has ability to receive & measure constant qubits
- [MF'13] *Measurement-based model*, protocol is blind & verifiable
- [MF'16] *Hamiltonian model*, protocol is verifiable but not blind

Where are the qubits?

The verifier measures them

Models for black-box verification



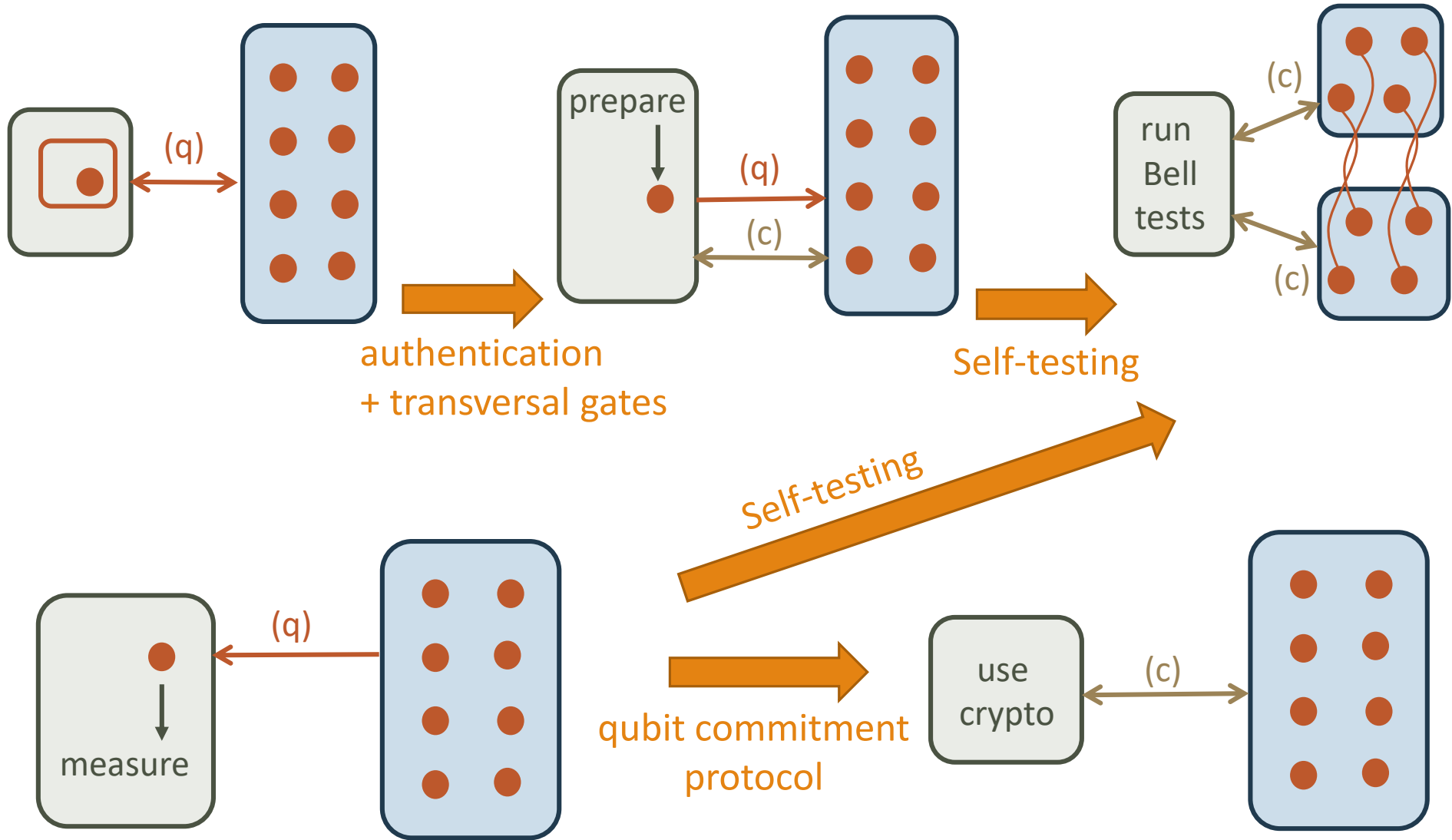
[Mahadev'18] “Commit & Reveal” protocols:

- Verifier is classical
- *Hamiltonian model*: protocol is not blind
- Verifiability assumes prover does not break post-quantum crypto

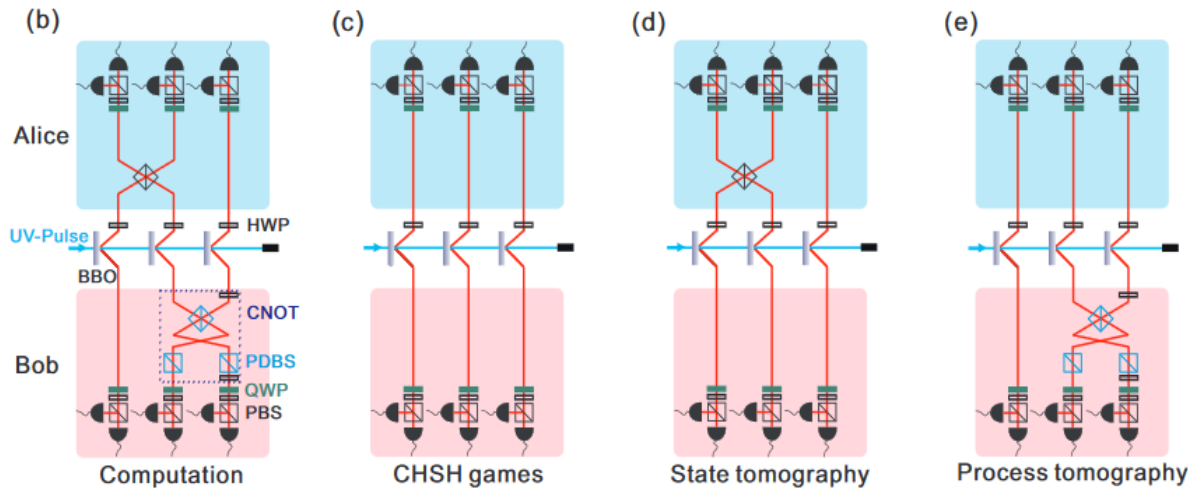
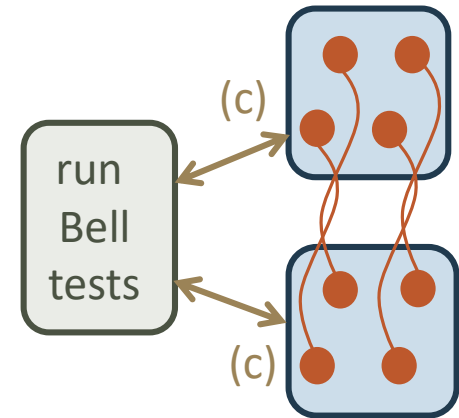
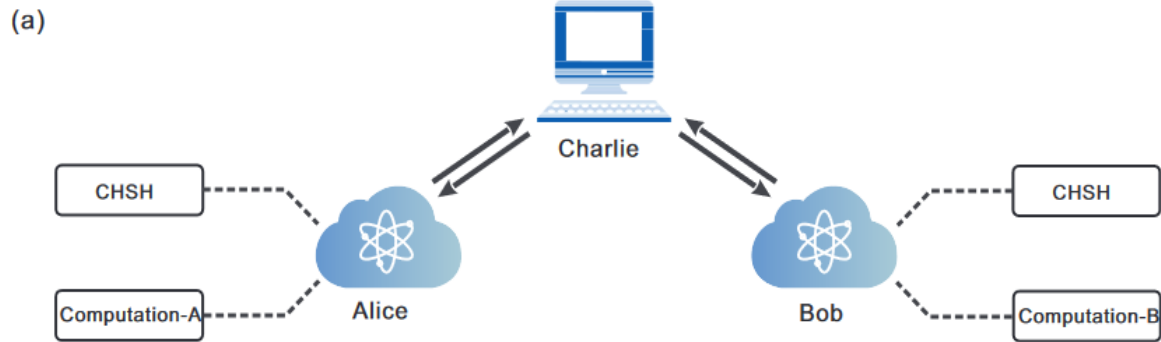
Where are the qubits?

Forced by the crypto

ROADMAP



Some experiments

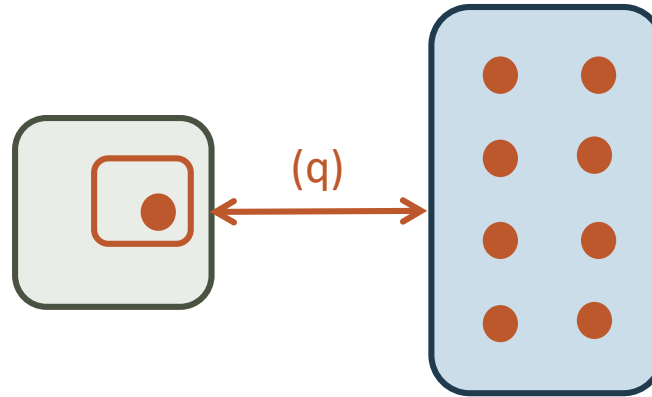


[Huang et al. 2017]
Thousands of Bell tests
certify factorization of
number 15

*Part I(a):
Prepare & Send*

Blind delegated computation

[Childs'05]



- Circuit model: verifier has circuit C , wants to determine outcome on $|0\rangle$
- Encode computation in input: execute universal circuit \mathcal{U} to obtain $C|0\rangle$
- Main technique is “computation on encrypted data”:
 - Verifier encrypts input qubits one-by-one and sends to prover
 - Prover stores qubits & applies gates over encryption
 - For each gate, verifier requests qubits, “fixes encryption”, and re-sends

The quantum one-time pad

$$|\psi\rangle \mapsto X^a Z^b |\psi\rangle$$

$a, b \leftarrow_R \{0,1\}$

$$\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle \mapsto \begin{cases} \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle & (a=0, b=0) \\ \alpha|0\rangle - \beta|1\rangle & (a=0, b=1) \\ \alpha|1\rangle + \beta|0\rangle & (a=1, b=0) \\ \alpha|1\rangle - \beta|0\rangle & (a=1, b=1) \end{cases}$$

- If a, b unknown then encoded qubit appears totally mixed

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{a,b} (X^a Z^b) |\psi\rangle \langle \psi| (X^a Z^b)^* = \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{I}$$

Computing on encrypted data

- Clifford gates “commute” with one-time pad

$$\text{Ex: } HX^a Z^b |\psi\rangle = X^b Z^a H |\psi\rangle$$

- Universal computation requires one additional gate

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix} \quad P = T^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

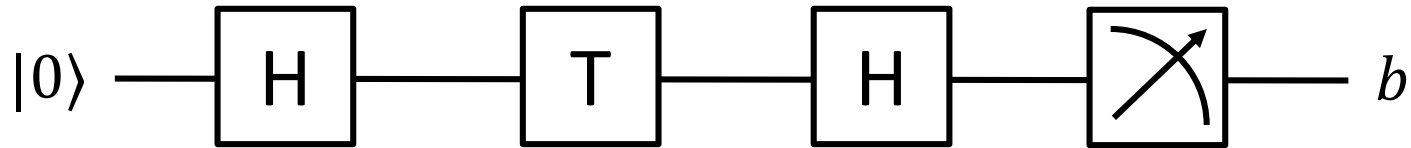
$$TX^a Z^b |\psi\rangle = X^{a'} Z^{b'} P^c T |\psi\rangle$$

- Requires “phase correction” if $c' = c'(a', b', c) = 1$

$$P^{c'} X^{a'} Z^{b'} P^c T |\psi\rangle = X^{a''} Z^{b''} T |\psi\rangle$$

- Eastin Knill theorem: no quantum error-correcting code can transversally implement a quantum universal gate set

Running example



$$(a, b) \leftarrow_R \{0,1\}$$

$$X^a Z^b |0\rangle \xrightarrow{X^a Z^b |0\rangle}$$

$$X^a Z^b |0\rangle \mapsto H X^a Z^b |0\rangle$$



$$(a', b') \leftarrow_R \{0,1\}$$

$$H X^a Z^b |0\rangle \xleftarrow{H X^a Z^b |0\rangle}$$

$$H X^a Z^b |0\rangle = X^b Z^a H |0\rangle \mapsto X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle$$

$$X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle \xrightarrow{X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle}$$

$$X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle \mapsto T X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle$$

$$T X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle$$

$$= X^{a''} Z^{b''} P^c T H |0\rangle$$

$$T X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle \xleftarrow{T X^{a'} Z^{b'} H |0\rangle}$$

$$X^{a''} Z^{b''} P^c T H |0\rangle, c'$$

$$X^{a''} Z^{b''} P^c T H |0\rangle \mapsto P^{c'} X^{a''} Z^{b''} P^c T H |0\rangle$$

Authentication

$2k$ “trap qubits”

$|\psi\rangle$

$$\mapsto Q (|\psi\rangle|0\rangle \cdots |0\rangle|+\rangle \cdots |+\rangle)$$

$Q \leftarrow_R (2k + 1)$ -qubit Clifford

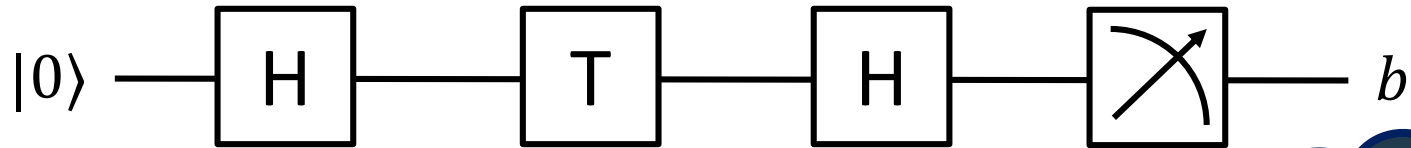
- Random Clifford subsumes one-time pad: automatically blind
- *Clifford twirl*: any unitary “attack” independent of Q

induces a random Pauli “attack” on the trap qubits

For any unitary U and any density ρ ,

$$\frac{1}{|\text{Cliff}|} \sum_C Q^* U (Q \rho Q^*) U^* Q = \alpha \rho + \frac{1 - \alpha}{|\text{Pauli}| - 1} \sum_{P: \text{pauli} \neq I} P \rho P^*$$

Running example



$(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2),$
 $(a_3, b_3) \leftarrow_R \{0,1\}$

$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$



$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$

$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$



- Decode
- Check traps
- Apply H
- Re-encode

$X^{a_1'} Z^{b_1'} H |0\rangle X^{a_2'} |0\rangle Z^{b_3'} |+\rangle$



$X^{a_1'} Z^{b_1'} H |0\rangle X^{a_2'} |0\rangle Z^{b_3'} |+\rangle$

$X^{a_1'} Z^{b_1'} H |0\rangle X^{a_2'} |0\rangle Z^{b_3'} |+\rangle$



decode + check traps + measure output qubit



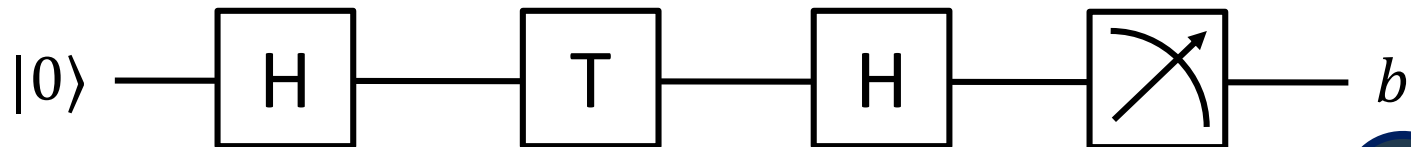
Transversal gate evaluation

- One-time pad allows transversal evaluation of Clifford gates

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 |\psi\rangle & \xrightarrow{H} & H|\psi\rangle \\
 \text{Auth} \Downarrow & & \Downarrow \text{Auth} \\
 X^a Z^b |\psi\rangle X^{a'} |0\rangle Z^{b'} |+\rangle & \xrightarrow{HHH} & \underbrace{Z^a X^b H|\psi\rangle Z^{a'} |+\rangle X^{b'} |1\rangle}_{\text{Auth}(H|\psi\rangle)}
 \end{array}$$

- Clifford authentication allows transversal evaluation of Pauli gates

Running example



$(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2),$
 $(a_3, b_3) \leftarrow_R \{0,1\}$



$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$

apply H

$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$

$(a'_1, b'_1) \leftarrow (b_1, a_1)$

$(a'_2, b'_2) \leftarrow (b_2, a_2)$

$(a'_3, b'_3) \leftarrow (b_3, a_3)$

$H X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle H X^{a_2} |0\rangle H Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$
 $= X^{b_1} Z^{a_1} H |0\rangle Z^{a_2} H |0\rangle X^{b_3} H |+\rangle$

measure X

check $u_3 = a'_3$

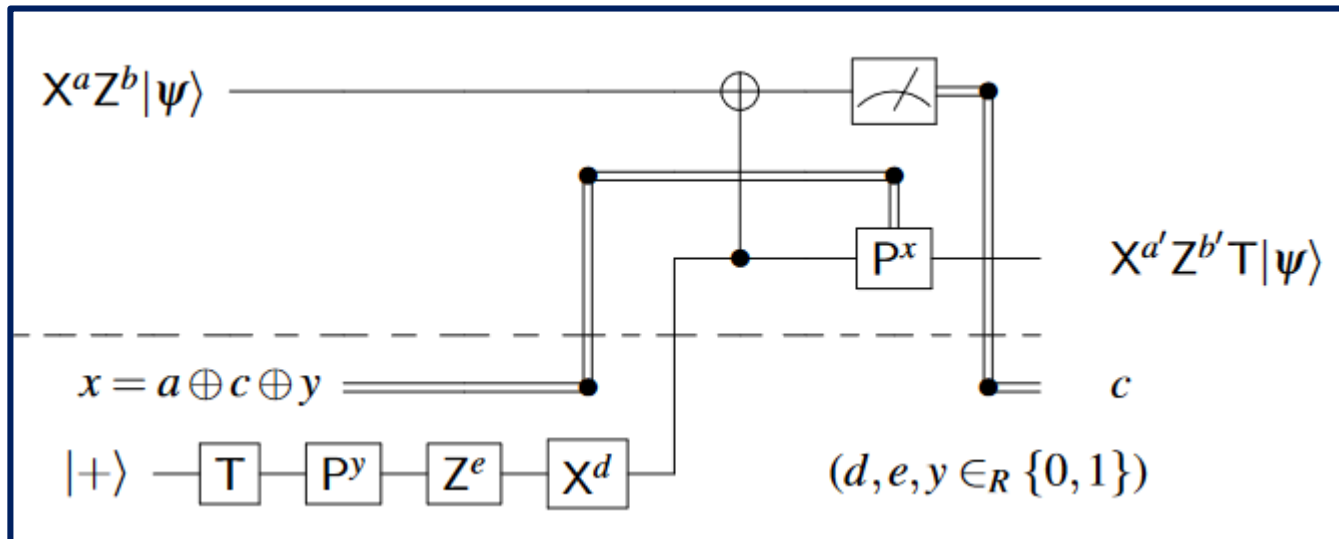
return $u_1 \oplus a'_1$

(u_1, u_2, u_3)

measure (X, X, X)

Transversal gate evaluation

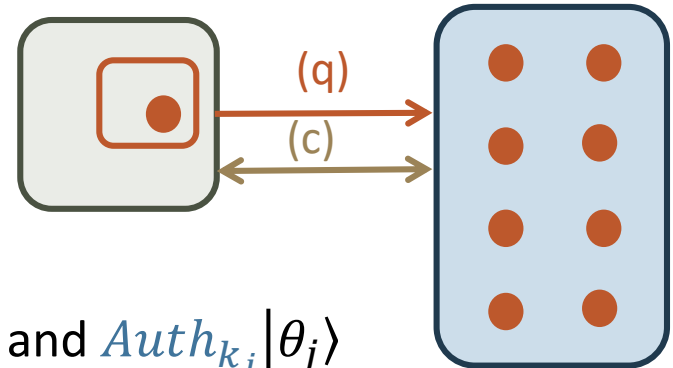
- One-time pad allows transversal evaluation of Clifford gates
- Clifford authentication allows transversal evaluation of Pauli gates
- Polynomial-code authentication allows Clifford transversal gates
- Non-Clifford gates require magic states + classical communication



T-gate gadget: figure from [Broadbent'15]

Verifiable blind delegated computation

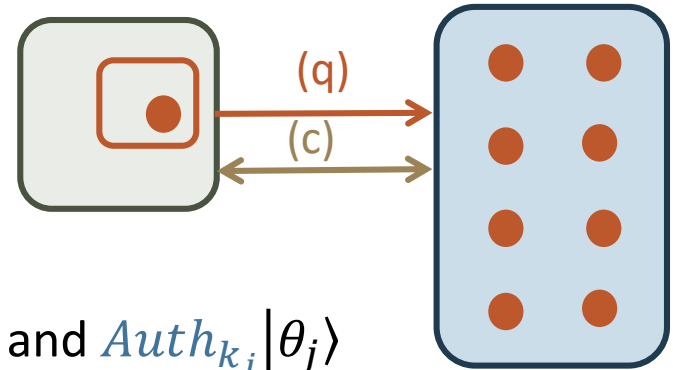
[ABOE'08, BFK'09]



- Verifier sends $Auth_{k_1} |C_1\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes Auth_{k_n} |C_n\rangle$ and $Auth_{k_j} |\theta_j\rangle$
- To apply a Clifford gate:
 - Server applies gate transversally on authenticated qubits
 - Verifier updates authentication keys
- To apply non-Clifford gate:
 - Server uses authenticated magic state
 - Verifier and Server engage in protocol with classical communication
- Server measures output qubit and returns $(2k + 1)$ -bit outcome
 - Verifier checks traps and decodes final outcome

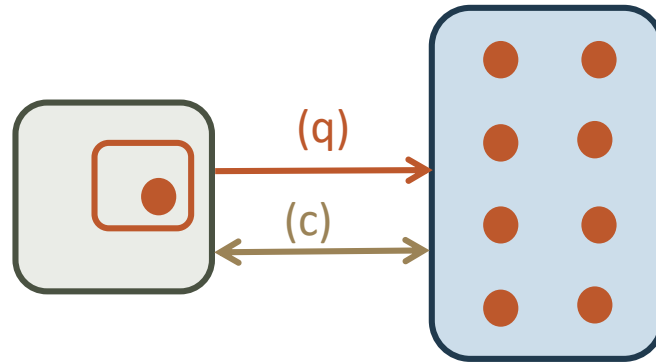
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- Verifier sends $Auth_{k_1} |C_1\rangle \otimes \dots \otimes Auth_{k_n} |C_n\rangle$ and $Auth_{k_j} |\theta_j\rangle$
- Blindness: authentication \rightarrow one-time pad \rightarrow perfect blindness
- Verifiability:
 - Arbitrary server = honest server + deviating unitary
 - Verifier's authentication + de-authentication induce Clifford twirl
 - Arbitrary attack reduced to random Pauli
 - Random Pauli likely to flip some traps
 - Intermediate classical communication rounds complicate analysis

Prepare & Send protocols: summary



- One-way quantum communication + many-round classical communication
- [ADSS'17] quantum homomorphic computation with verification removes classical communication, under computational assumption

Open: reduce interaction without making computational assumptions

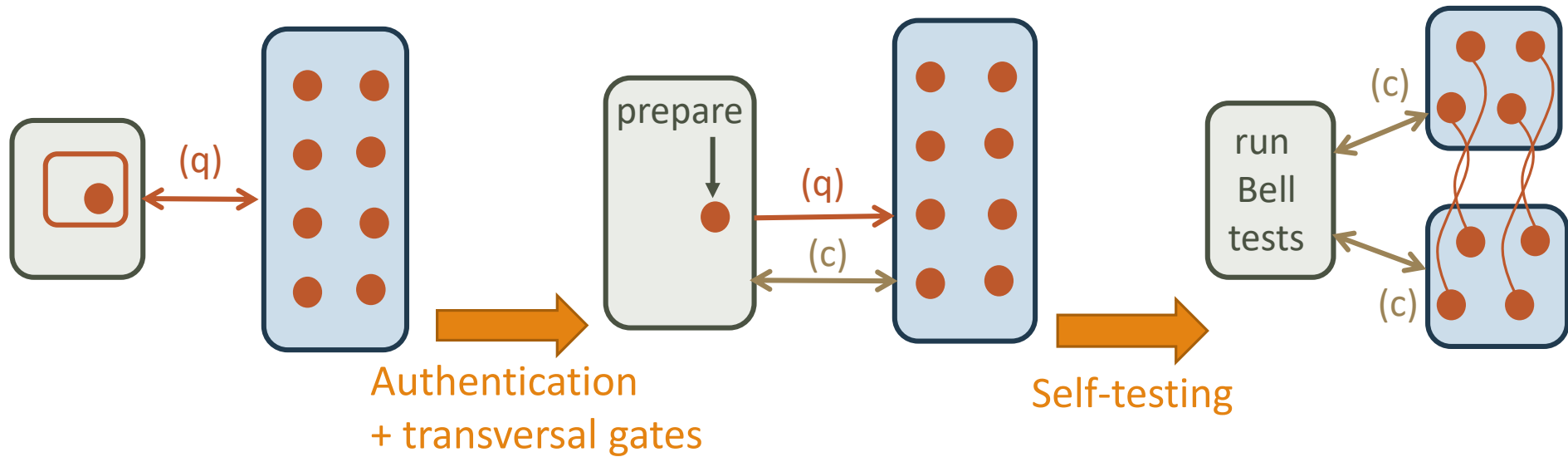
- Verifier complexity:
 - [ABOE'08] (Circuit-based) Verifier needs $O(\log 1/\epsilon)$ qubits
 - [BFK'09] (Measurement-based) Verifier needs $O(1)$ qubits
- Protocols vulnerable to noise at the verifier

Open: prepare & send fault-tolerant delegation

Part I(b):

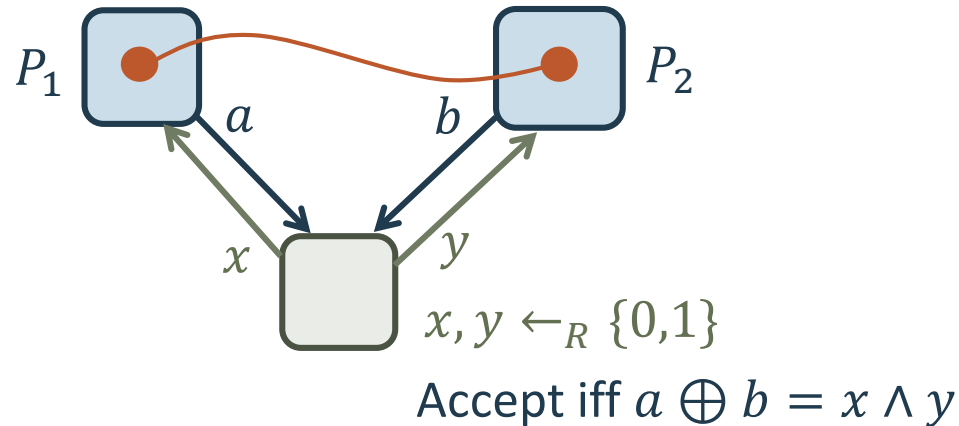
Two-prover delegation

Models for black-box verification



The CHSH game as a rigid self-test

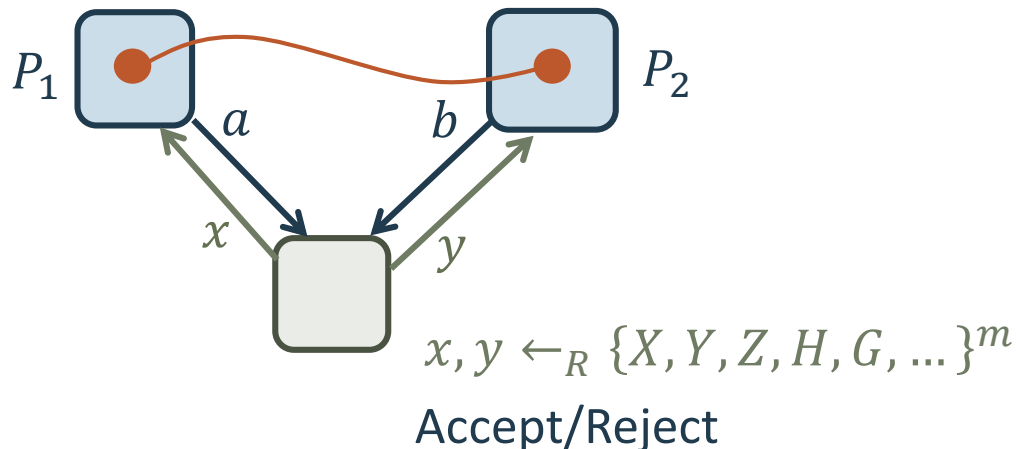
[WS'88,MY'98,MYS'12,RUV'12]



- Completeness: Provers sharing an EPR pair succeed w.p. $\approx 85\%$
- Soundness: If provers succeed w.p. $\geq 85\% - \epsilon$, they must share an EPR pair, and P_1 measures in Pauli X ($x = 0$) or Z ($x = 1$) bases
- Consequence: After P_1 has returned a , P_2 has qubit in $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |+\rangle, |-\rangle\}$ which is known to V , but not to P_2

A rigid self-test for eigenstates of Clifford observables

[...,NV'17,CGJV'18]



- Completeness: Provers sharing m EPR pairs succeed w.p. 1
- Soundness: If provers succeed w.p. $\geq 1 - \epsilon$, they must share m EPR pairs, and P_1 measures i -th qubit using $A_i \in \{X, Y^*, Z, H^*, G^*, \dots\}$
- Consequence: After P_1 returns a , P_2 has m qubits in $\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |+\rangle, |-\rangle, |\theta\rangle, \dots\}$ which are known to V , but not to P_2

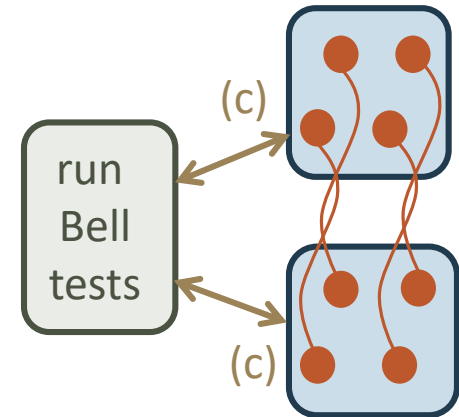
Two-prover verifiable delegation

[RUV'12,CGJV'18]

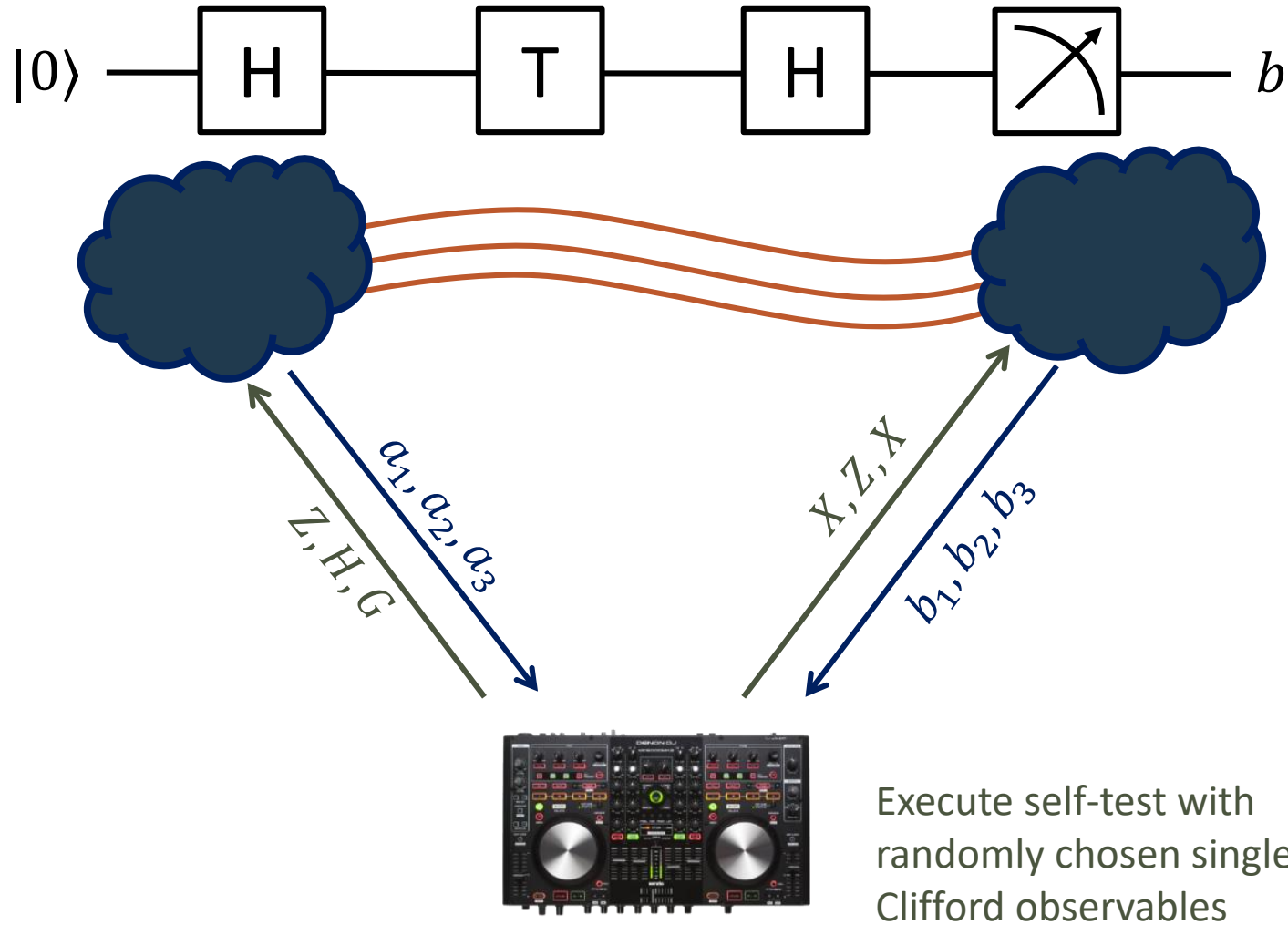
- w.p. $\frac{1}{2}$: verifier executes self-test with provers
- w.p. $\frac{1}{2}$:
 - Verifier instructs P_2 to make m -qubit measurement in randomly chosen bases
→ Given P_2 's outcomes, P_1 has encrypted qubits

$$X^a Z^b |\theta\rangle, \theta \in \left\{0, 1, +, -, \frac{\pi}{4}, \dots\right\}$$

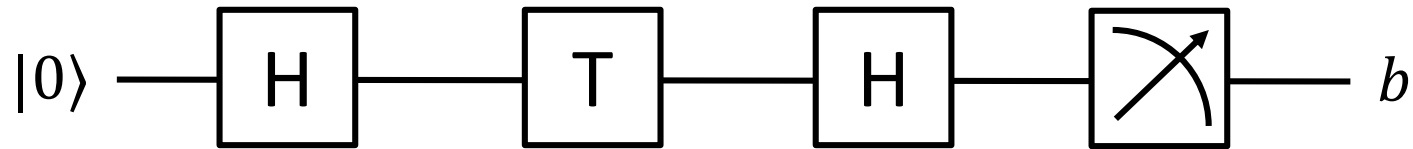
- Verifier instructs P_1 to implement prepare & send protocol using designated qubits



Running example



Running example



$$X^{a_1} Z^{b_1} |0\rangle X^{a_2} |0\rangle Z^{b_3} |+\rangle$$

“core quantum state”
 qubits, a_1, a_2, a_3

outcomes

X, Z, X

a_1, a_2, a_3

$$\begin{aligned} (a_1, b_1) &\leftarrow (a_1, 0) \\ (a_2, b_2) &\leftarrow (0, a_2) \\ (a_3, b_3) &\leftarrow (a_3, 0) \end{aligned}$$

Execute prepare & measure protocol on authenticated qubits prepared by P_2

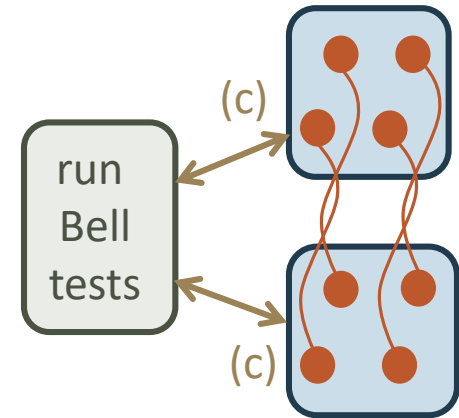


decode & check traps & return output

Two-prover verifiable delegation

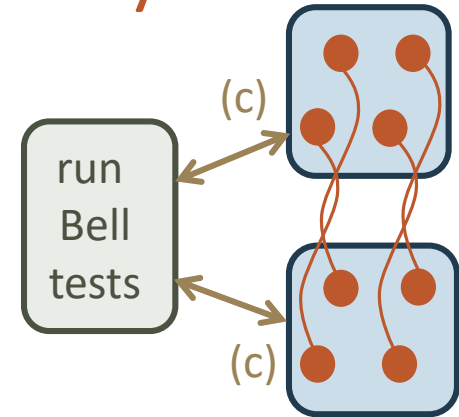
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- w.p. $\frac{1}{2}$: verifier executes self-test with provers
- w.p. $\frac{1}{2}$:
 - Verifier instructs P_1 to make m -qubit measurement in randomly chosen bases
 - Verifier instructs P_2 to perform implement prepare & send protocol using designated qubits
- Blindness follows from blindness for prepare & send, as long as provers do not communicate
- Verifiability follows from verifiability for prepare & send, additional $O(\epsilon^c)$ error from self-testing



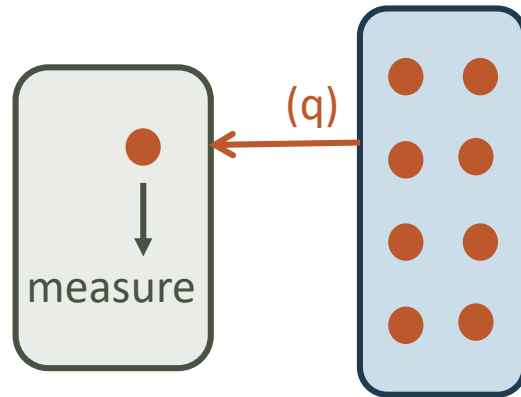
Two-prover protocols: summary

- Rigid self-tests allow preparation of eigenstates of single-qubit Clifford observables
(partially) Open: non-Clifford eigenstates?
- Many-round classical interaction with two provers
- [Grilo'18] Single-round protocol in Hamiltonian model
Protocol is not blind
Open: single-round blind verifiable delegation protocol?
- Total communication \sim linear in circuit size
Open(?): sub-linear verifier? poly-logarithmic communication?
- Protocols extend to QMA verification if prover is given copies of QMA witness



*Part II(a):
Receive & Measure*

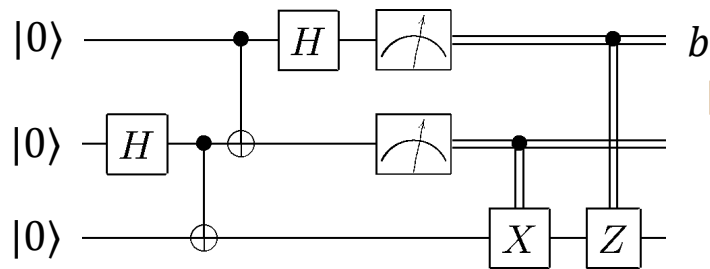
Receive & Measure protocols



- MBQC model:
 - Prover prepares resource state (e.g. cluster state)
 - Verifier either (i) checks stabilizers of resource state
(ii) implements computation
 - Only needs single-qubit measurements in small number of bases
- Post-hoc model:
 - Prover prepares history state of Kitaev Hamiltonian associated with circuit
 - Verifier measures randomly chosen term in Hamiltonian
 - Only needs single-qubit measurements in two bases, but protocol not blind

Circuit-to-Hamiltonian

[Kitaev'99]



$$H = H_{in} + H_{clock} + H_{prop} + H_{out}$$

$$\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1) \geq 2/3 \implies \lambda_{min}(H) \leq a$$

$$\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1) \leq 1/3 \implies \lambda_{min}(H) \geq a + \delta$$

- Hamiltonian can be expressed in “XX/ZZ form”:
 H is weighted sum of local terms of the form $X_i X_j$ or $Z_i Z_j$
- Gap δ scales as $1/|C|^2$
- Complexity of preparing ground state of H scales as complexity of C
(but may require higher depth)

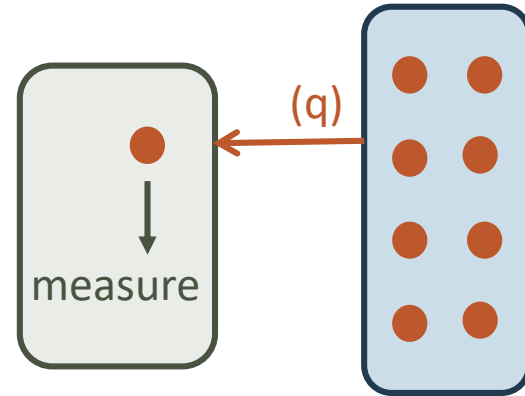
Post-hoc verifiable delegation

[MF'16]

$$H = H_{in} + H_{clock} + H_{prop} + H_{out}$$

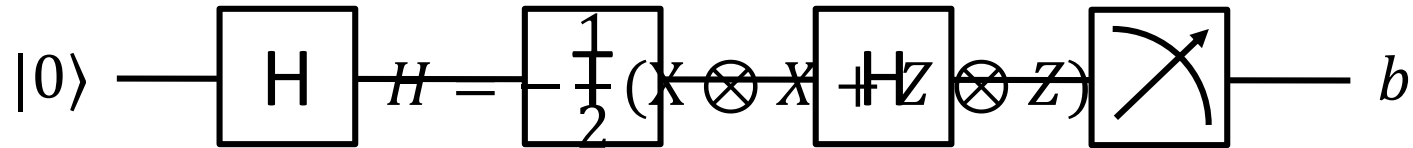
$$\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1) \geq 2/3 \Rightarrow \lambda_{min}(H) \leq a$$

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- Prover prepares ground state of H
- Sends to verifier one qubit at a time
- Verifier secretly selects random local term $h_j = X_{j_1} X_{j_2}$ or $h_j = Z_{j_1} Z_{j_2}$
- Measures qubits j_1 and j_2 in required basis
- Repeat $1/\delta^2$ times to estimate energy

Running example

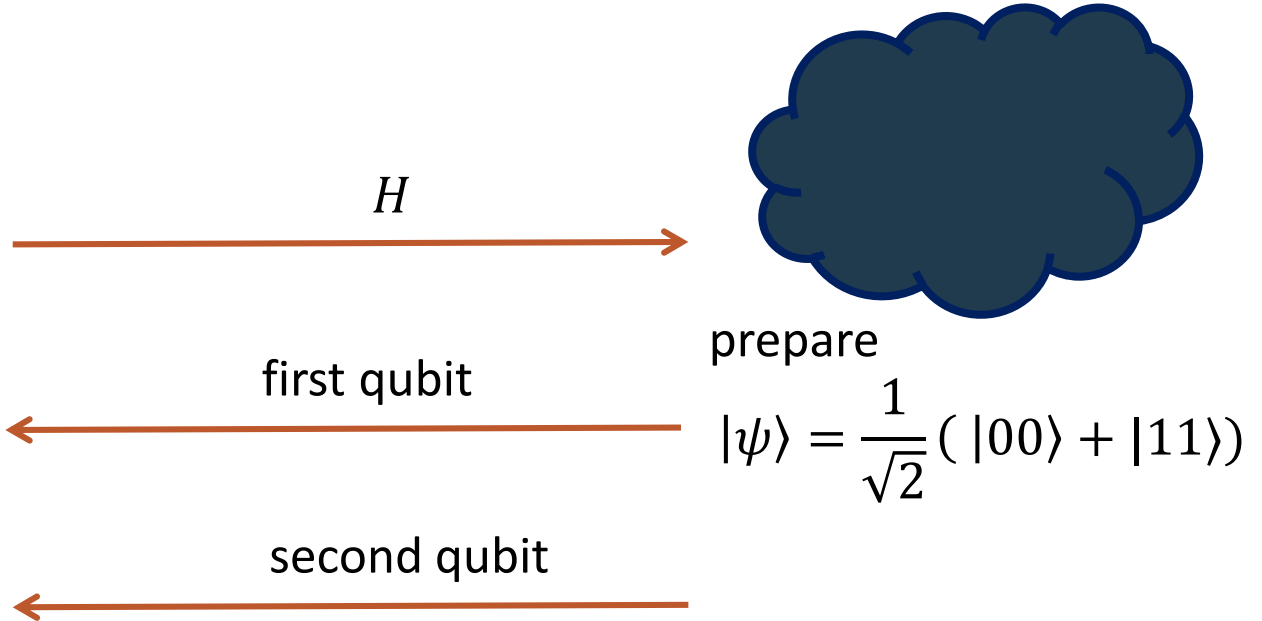


flip coin $W \in \{X, Z\}$

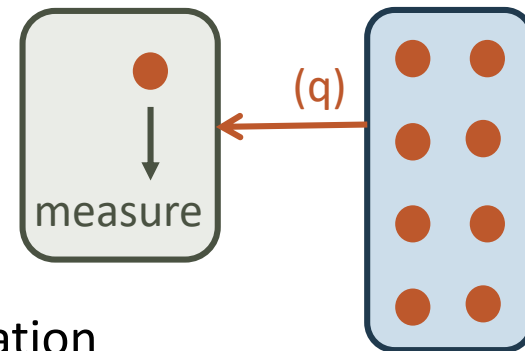
Measure in basis W
 $\rightarrow b_1$

Measure in basis W
 $\rightarrow b_2$

Check: $b_1 b_2 = +1$



Receive & Measure protocols: summary



- One-way quantum communication
- Hamiltonian model requires repetition for gap amplification
MBQC model requires repetition for resource state testing
Total communication at least $\sim |C|^3$
Open: protocol with linear communication complexity
- Blind protocols only in MBQC model
- Protocols vulnerable to noise at the verifier
[GHK'18] give fault-tolerant protocol in Hamiltonian model; not blind
Open: receive & measure fault-tolerant blind delegation

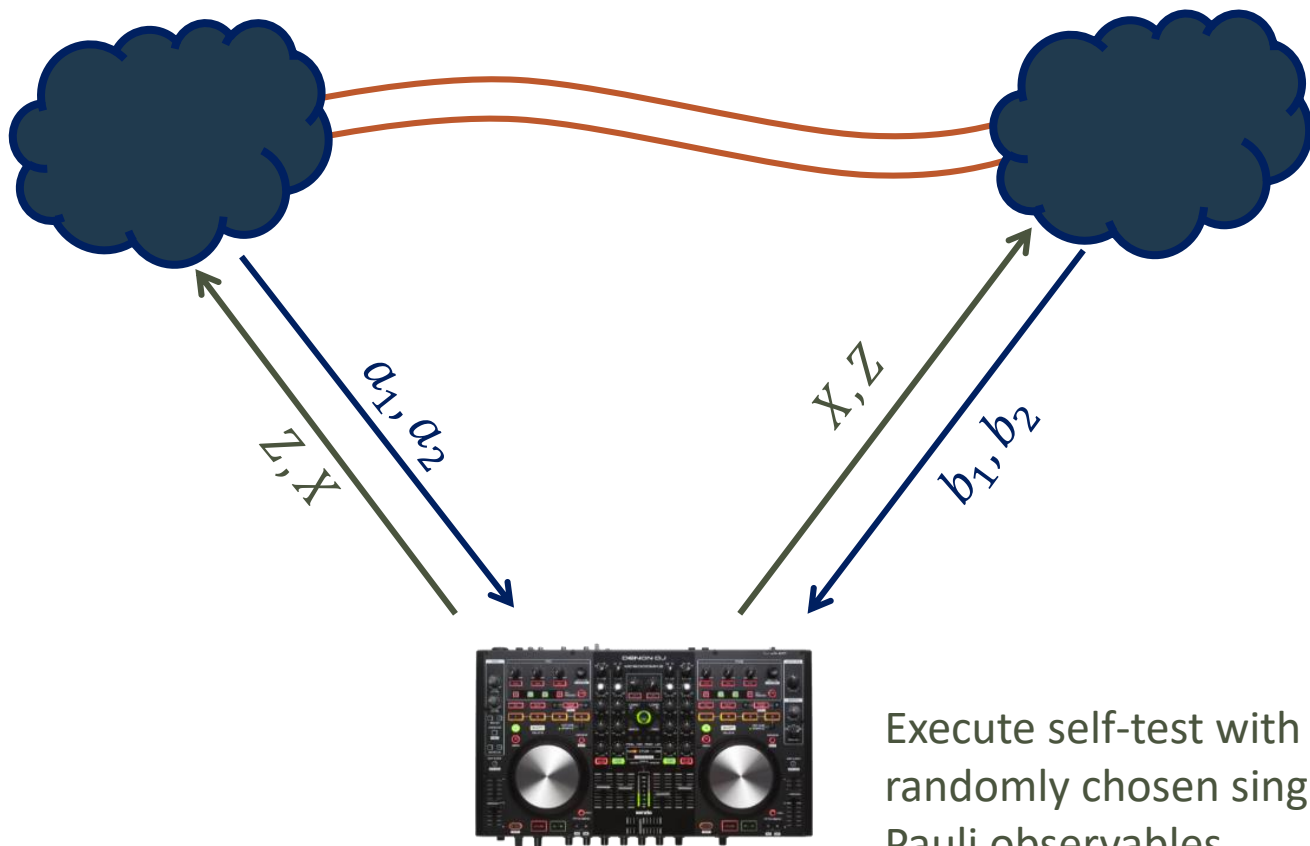
Part II(b):

Two-prover delegation

Running example

[Grilo'18]

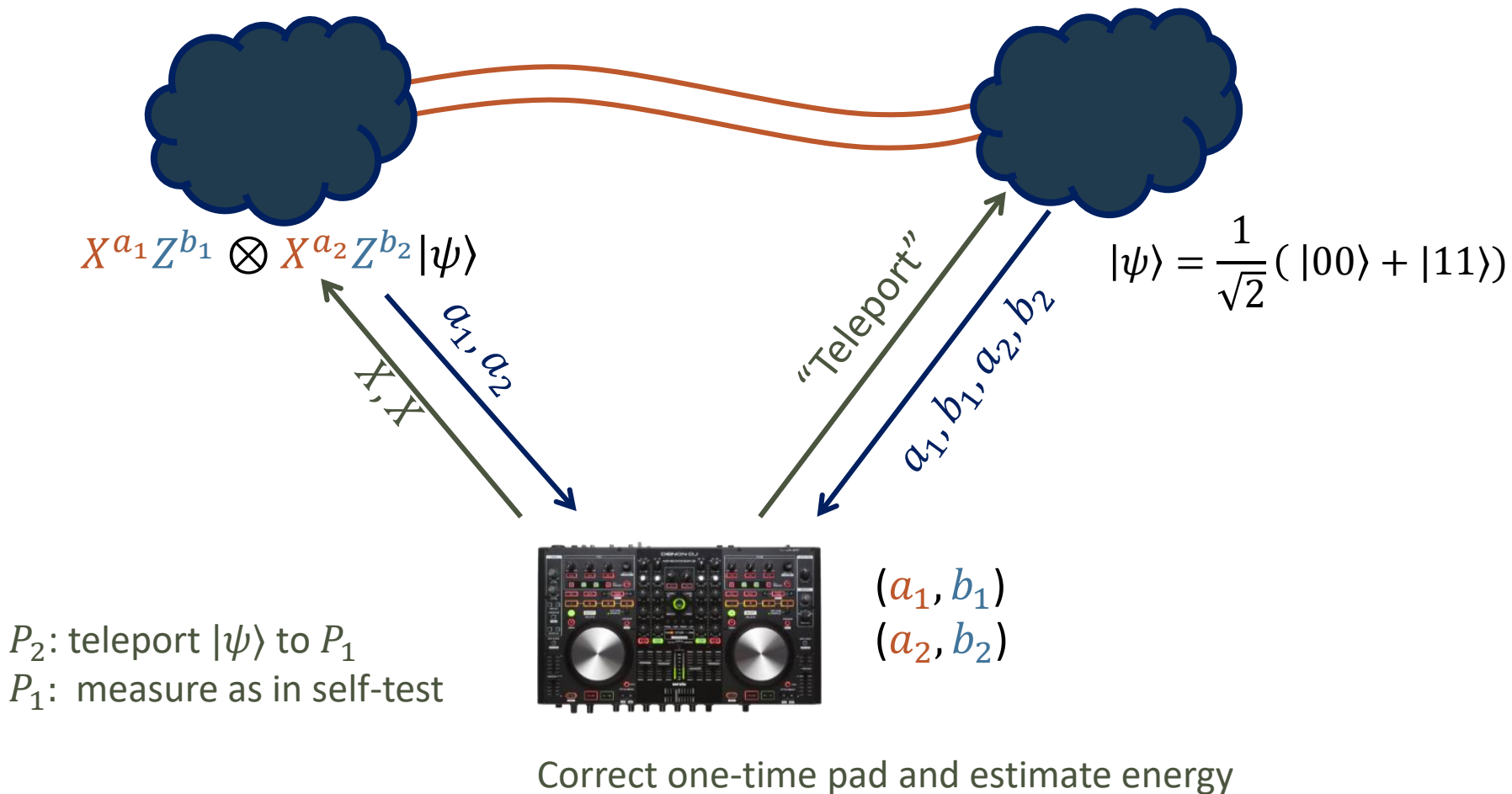
$$H = -\frac{1}{2}(X \otimes X + Z \otimes Z)$$



Running example

[Grilo'18]

$$H = -\frac{1}{2}(X \otimes X + Z \otimes Z)$$



*Part II(c):
Commit & Reveal*

Models for black-box verification



- Verifier “delegates” X and Z measurements to server
- Hurdle: Certify that reported measurement outcomes are obtained from a single underlying n -qubit state
- Idea: Use cryptography to “commit” prover to fixed n -qubit state

Committing to a bit



$$c = \text{com}(b, r)$$

$$b \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$r \in_R \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$d = \text{reveal}(b, r)$$

Return (flag, b^*)

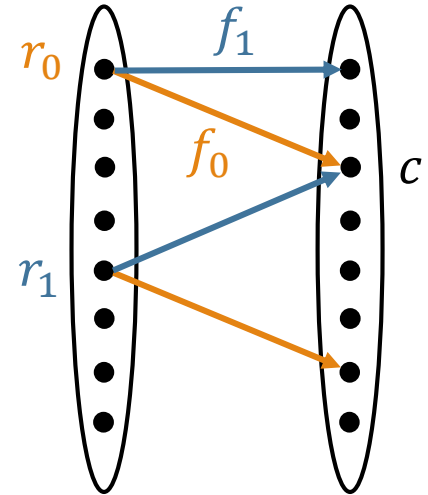
- Hiding: c reveals no information about b $c_{|b=0} \approx c_{|b=1}$
- Binding: For any efficient Bob, and any c such that $\Pr(\text{flag} = \text{acc}) \geq 0.01$, there is a b such that $\Pr(b^* = b | \text{flag} = \text{acc}) \geq 0.95$

Claw-free functions

$f_0, f_1: \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$ a *claw-free* pair:

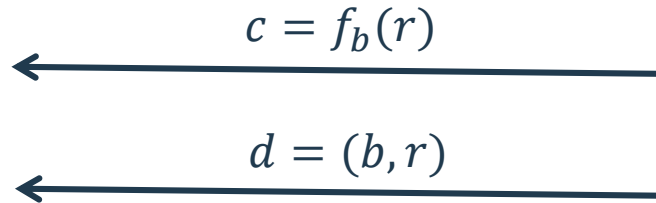
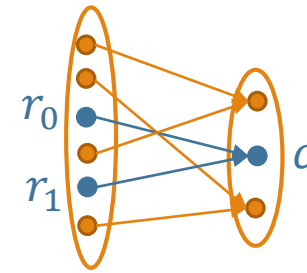
- Both f_0 and f_1 are bijections
- For every c in the range, there is a unique claw:
a pair (r_0, r_1) such that $f_0(r_0) = f_1(r_1) = c$
- Claws are hard to find: no efficient procedure returns (r_0, r_1, c)
- Can construct based on “Learning with Errors” (LWE) problem
- f_0, f_1 are noisy multiplication by matrix A :

$$f_0(x) \approx Ax + e, \quad f_1(x) \approx A(x - s) + e' \quad \rightarrow \quad r_1 \approx r_0 - s$$



Committing to a bit

$(f_0, f_1): \{0,1\}^n \rightarrow \{0,1\}^n$ a claw-free pair



Check $f_b(r) = c$

Return b

$b \in \{0,1\}$

$r \in_R \{0,1\}^n$



- Perfectly hiding: Any c has exactly one preimage under each function

- Computationally binding:

If $\Pr(b^* = 0 | flag = acc) > 0.05$ and $\Pr(b^* = 1 | flag = acc) > 0.05$

then run Bob 100 times on c to find a claw

Committing to a *qubit*



$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

$$|R\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |r\rangle$$

$$c = \text{com}(|\psi\rangle, |R\rangle)$$



$$d_Z = \text{Z-reveal}(b, |R\rangle)$$



Return (*flag*, a_Z)

$$d_X = \text{X-reveal}(b, |R\rangle)$$



Return (*flag*, a_X)

- Hiding: c reveals no information about $|\psi\rangle$
- Binding: For any efficient Bob and c such that $\Pr(\text{flag} = \text{acc}) \geq 0.01$ there is a ρ such that $a_Z \approx \text{Tr}(Z\rho)$ and $a_X \approx \text{Tr}(X\rho)$

Committing to a *qubit*



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$$|R\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |r\rangle$$



$$|\psi\rangle \otimes |R\rangle \otimes |0^n\rangle = (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle) \otimes \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |r\rangle \otimes |0^n\rangle$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{CTL-}f} \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |0\rangle|r\rangle|f_0(r)\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |1\rangle|r\rangle|f_1(r)\rangle$$

meas. last register

$$\rightarrow (\alpha|0\rangle|r_0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle|r_1\rangle) \otimes |c\rangle$$

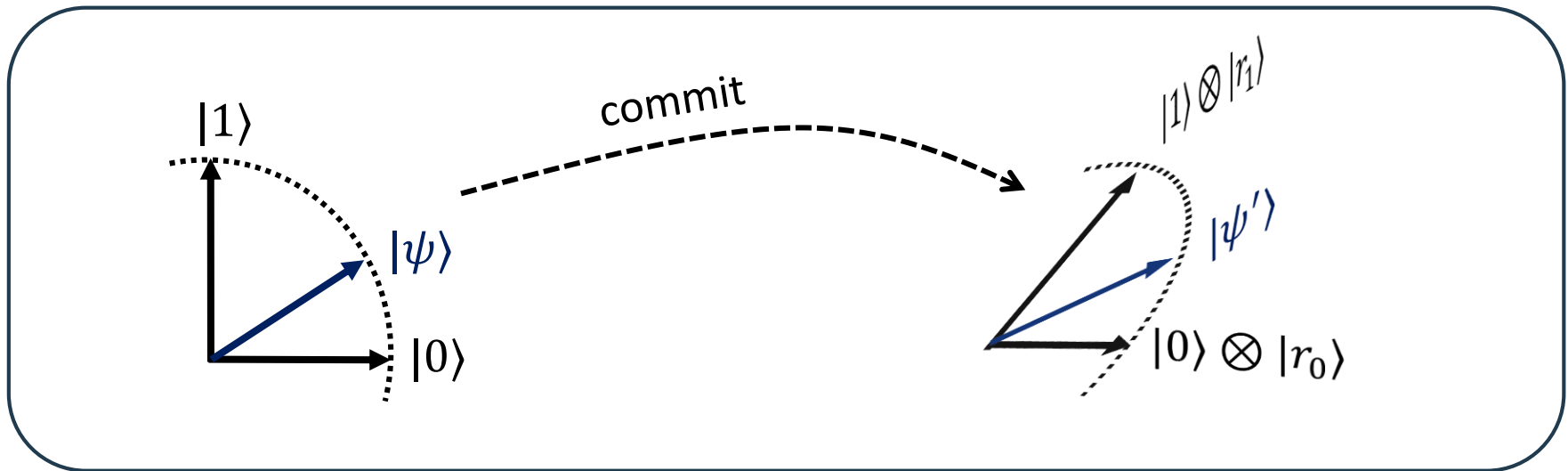
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Committing to a *qubit*



$$\leftarrow c = \text{com}(|\psi\rangle, |R\rangle)$$

$$\leftarrow d_Z = \text{Z-reveal}(b, |R\rangle)$$

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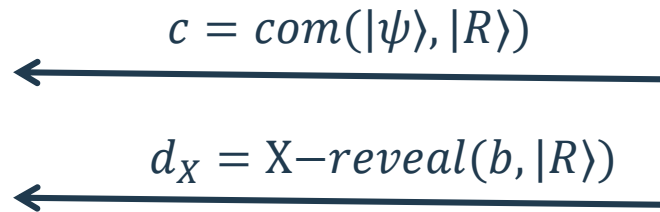
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 &\xrightarrow{\text{CTL-}f} \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |0\rangle|r\rangle|f_0(r)\rangle + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |1\rangle|r\rangle|f_1(r)\rangle \\
 &\xrightarrow{\text{meas. last register}} (\alpha|0\rangle|r_0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle|r_1\rangle) \otimes |c\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- Hiding: c reveals no information about $|\psi\rangle$ ✓
- Z-reveal: Bob measures in computational basis and returns $d_Z = (b, r_b)$
Alice checks $f_b(r_b) = c$ and returns “decoded bit” $a_Z = b$

Committing to a *qubit*



$$|\psi\rangle = \alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle$$

$$|R\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{r \in \{0,1\}^n} |r\rangle$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 (\alpha|0\rangle|r_0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle|r_1\rangle) &\xrightarrow{I \otimes H^{\otimes n}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{t \in \{0,1\}^n} (\alpha(-1)^{t \cdot r_0} |0\rangle + \beta(-1)^{t \cdot r_1} |1\rangle) \otimes |t\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2^n}} \sum_{t \in \{0,1\}^n} (-1)^{t \cdot r_0} Z^{t \cdot r_0 \oplus t \cdot r_1} |\psi\rangle \otimes |t\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

- X-reveal: Bob measures in Hadamard basis and returns $d_X = (u, t)$
 Alice returns “decoded bit” $a_X = u \oplus (t \cdot r_0 \oplus t \cdot r_1)$

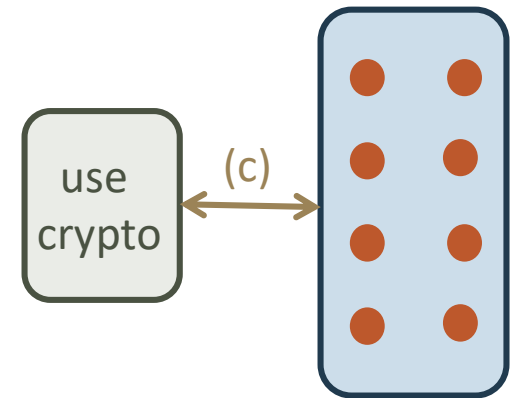
Commit & Reveal protocol

[Mahadev'18]

$$H = \sum_{(j_1, j_2)} \alpha_{j_1 j_2} (X_{j_1} X_{j_2} + Z_{j_1} Z_{j_2})$$

$$\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1) \geq 2/3 \implies \lambda_{\min}(H) \leq a$$

$$\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1) \leq 1/3 \implies \lambda_{\min}(H) \geq a + \delta$$



- Verifier computes H from C , sends to prover
 - Prover prepares ground state of H
 - Prover individually commits to each qubit by sending c_1, \dots, c_n
 - Verifier secretly selects random local term $h_j = X_{j_1} X_{j_2} (Z_{j_1} Z_{j_2})$
 - Executes $X(Z)$ -reveal phase with prover
 - Records decoded outcomes $a_{X_{j_1}} a_{X_{j_2}} (a_{Z_{j_1}} a_{Z_{j_2}})$
 - Repeat $1/\delta^2$ times to estimate energy
- } same as post-hoc protocol

Running example



$$H = -\frac{1}{2}(X \otimes X + Z \otimes Z)$$



prepare

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|00\rangle + |11\rangle)$$

H and f_0, f_1 and f'_0, f'_1

commitments c, c'

run commitment procedure:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0, r_0\rangle|0, r'_0\rangle + |1, r_1\rangle|1, r'_1\rangle)$$

flip coin $W \in \{X, Z\}$

X -reveal?

Measure X

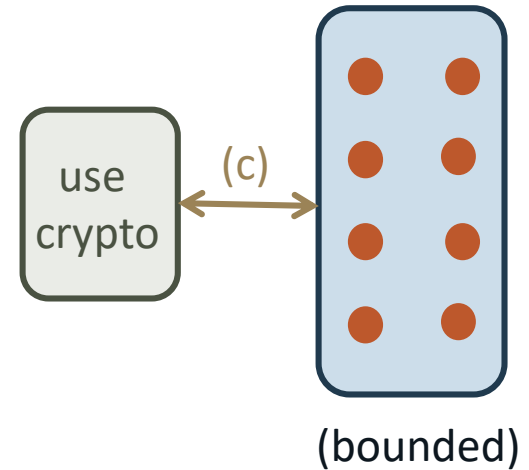
Set $a_X = f_0 \oplus (t \cdot r_0) \oplus c$ b, t, b', t', b'

$a'_X = f'_0 \oplus (t \cdot r'_0) \oplus c'$

Record b, a'_X

Repeat $1/\delta^2$ times to estimate energy

Commit & Reveal protocol: summary



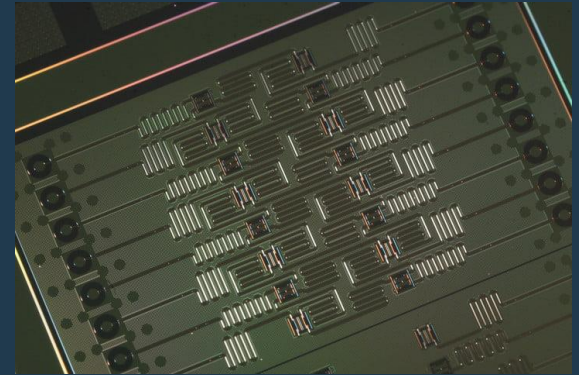
- Hamiltonian model: protocol is not blind, but can be made blind by combining with quantum FHE
Open: blind protocol in circuit or MBQC models?
- Complexity: cubic overhead due to Hamiltonian model
Crypto overhead linear in security parameter
- Soundness guarantee: there *exists* a state that gives *computationally indistinguishable* measurement outcomes
Open: computational assumption, information-theoretic guarantee?
- Claw-free function instantiated from learning with errors assumption (LWE)
Open: more generic construction (e.g. quantum-secure OWF)?

Coda:
An open question

An open question

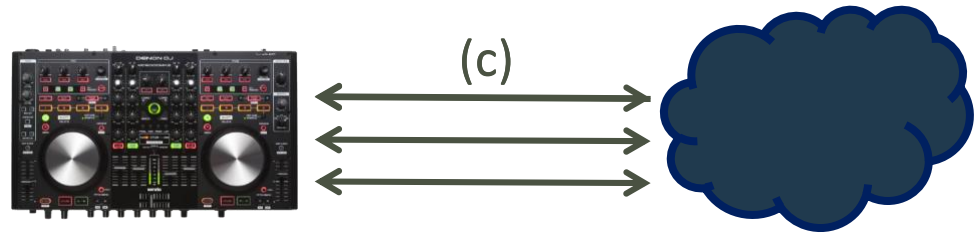


(c)



- Verifier is classical polynomial-time
- Communication channel is classical
- Verifier wants to determine $\Pr(C|0) = 1$

An open question



- Problems with efficient classical verification?

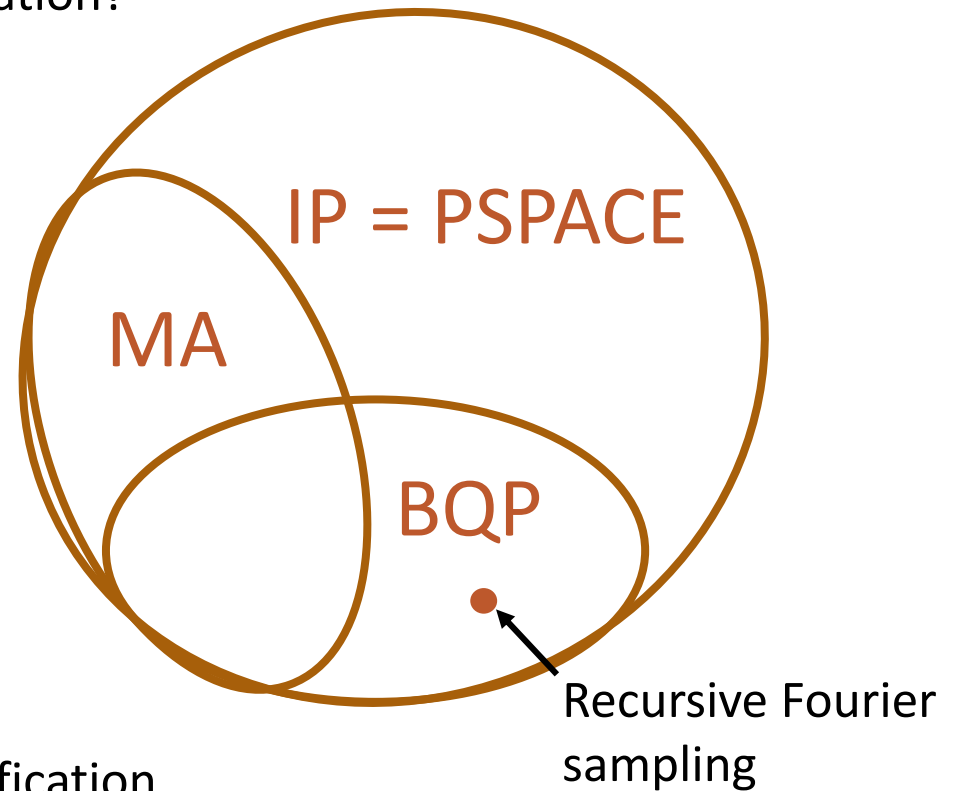
- MA = class of problems with efficient (probabilistic) verification

- Any problem in $MA \cap BQP$ has an efficiently verifiable solution

- Factoring, Graph Isomorphism

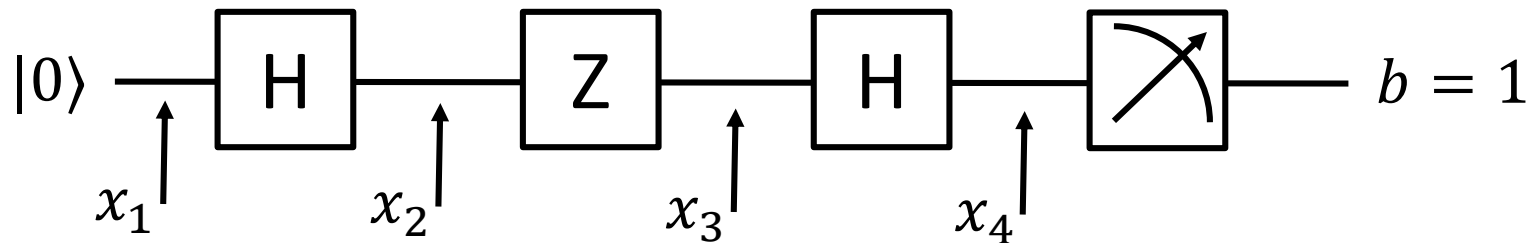
- IP = class of problems with efficient (probabilistic, interactive) verification

- IP Prover may not be efficient! Needs to compute exponentially large sums



Interactive proofs for BQP

- Feynman path integral: $\Pr(C|0\rangle = 1)$ is (square of) summation over exponentially many paths $\sum_{path=(x_1, \dots, x_T)} \text{amplitude}(x_1, \dots, x_T)$



- Amplitude of individual path is easy to compute

$$\text{amplitude}(0,1,1,0) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

- Amplitude is multilinear polynomial in x_1, \dots, x_T

Interactive proofs for BQP

- Given $P \in \mathbb{F}_q[X_1, \dots, X_T]$ multilinear, compute $\sum_{x_1, \dots, x_T \in \{0,1\}} P(x_1, \dots, x_T)$



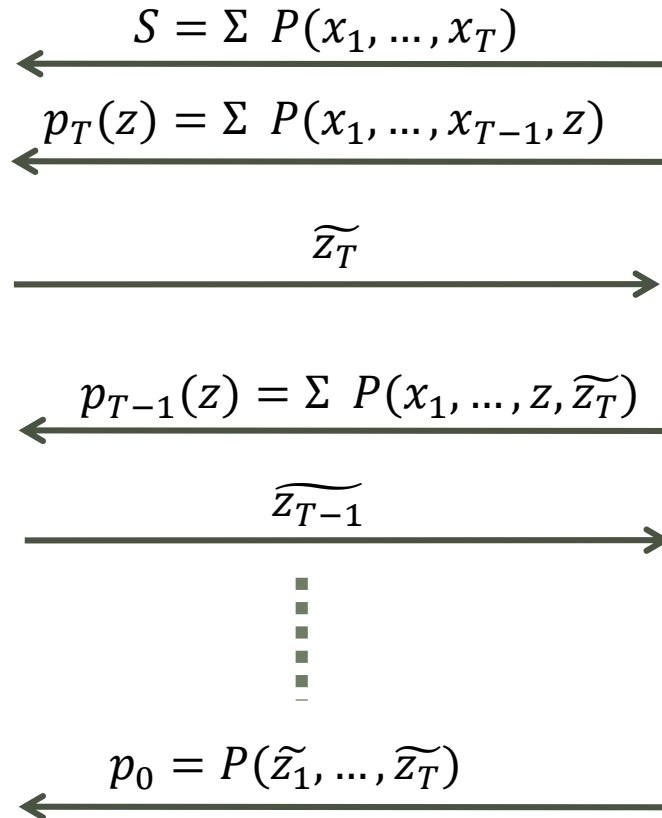
$$\sum_z p_T(z) = S ?$$

$$\widetilde{z}_T \leftarrow_R \mathbb{F}_q$$

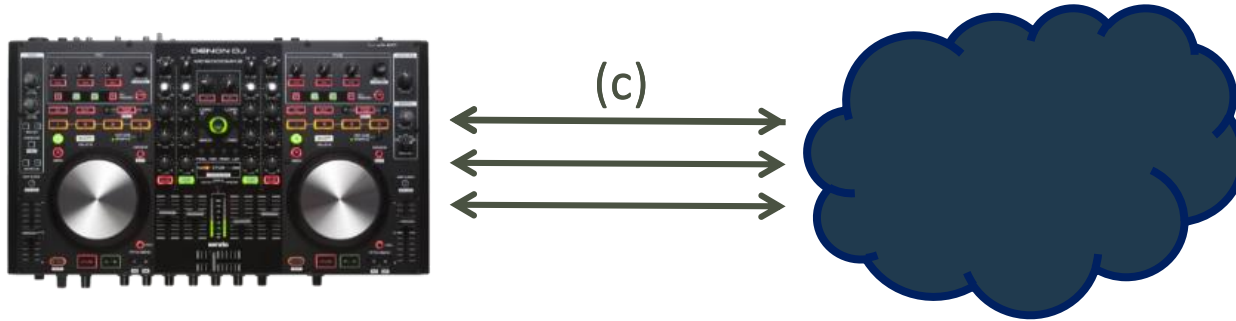
$$\sum_z p_{T-1}(z) = p_T(\widetilde{z}_T) ?$$

$$\widetilde{z}_{T-1} \leftarrow_R \mathbb{F}_q$$

$$p_0 = P(\widetilde{z}_1, \dots, \widetilde{z}_T) ?$$



Interactive proofs for BQP

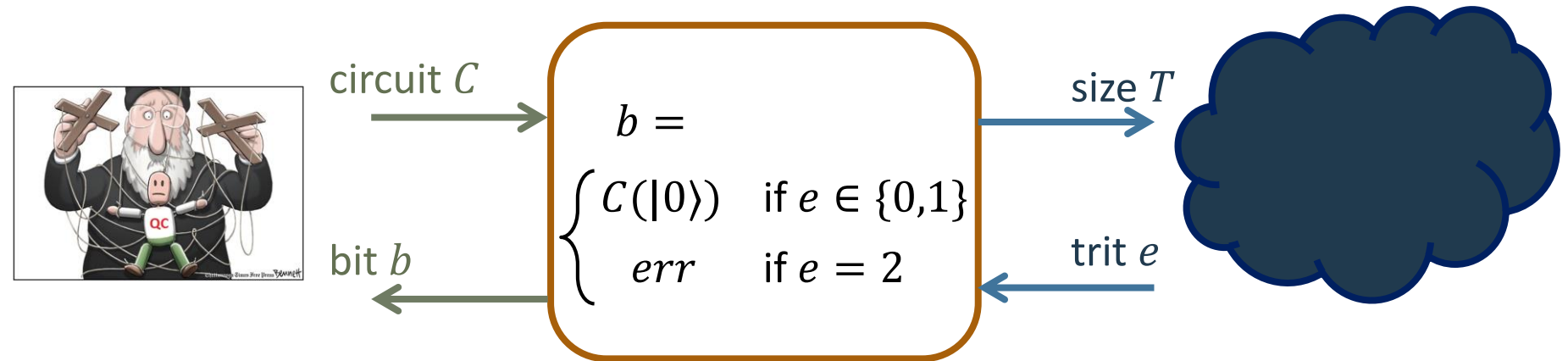


- Any language in BQP has a classical-verifier interactive proof
- Prover needs to compute unphysical quantities
- Cannot be implemented using quantum computer
- [AG'17] give “quantum-inspired” variant of protocol
- Open: protocol with prover less powerful than PostBQP
- Challenge: allow prover to make statistical estimation errors while restricting capacity to cheat

Summary

Problem formulation

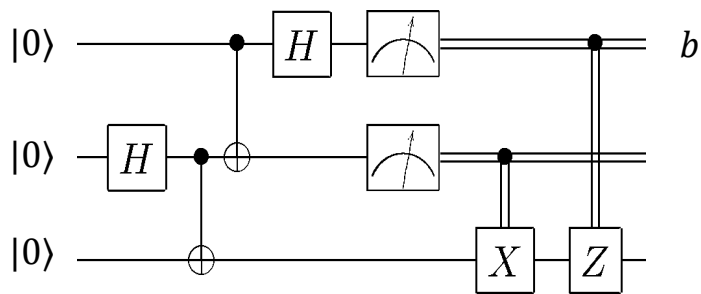
Ideal functionality for verifiable & blind delegation



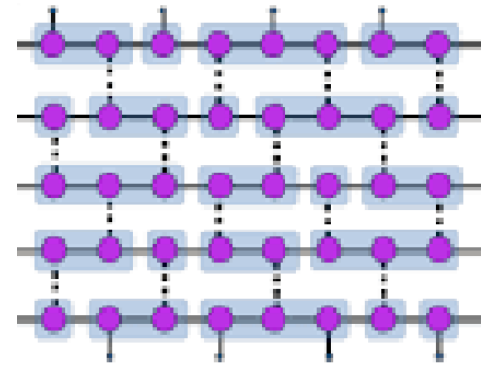
A protocol is verifiable & blind if no malicious party interacting with the honest party can distinguish from an interaction with the ideal functionality

Models of computation

Circuit model



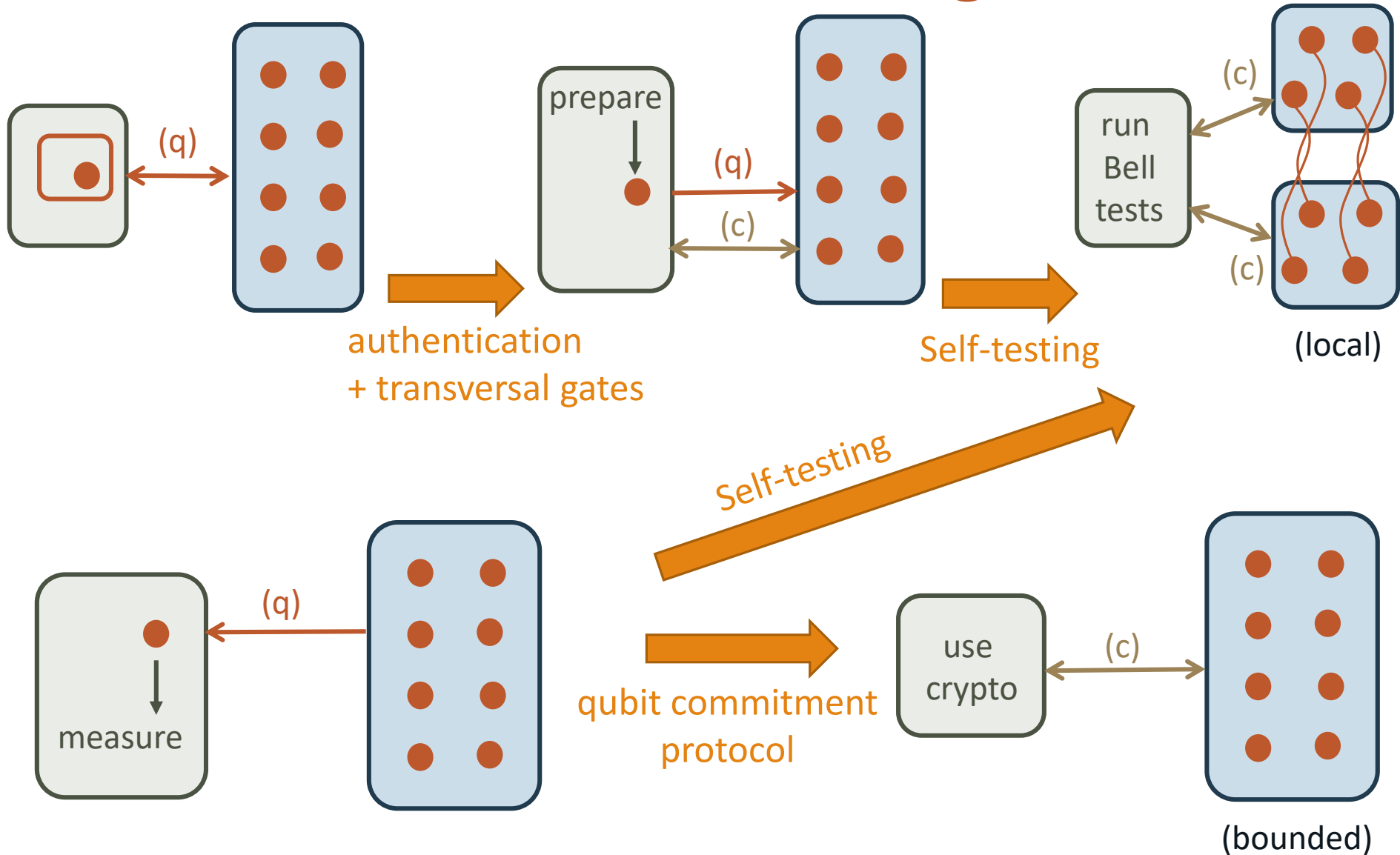
Measurement-based model



Hamiltonian model

$$H = H_{in} + H_{clock} + H_{prop} + H_{out}$$

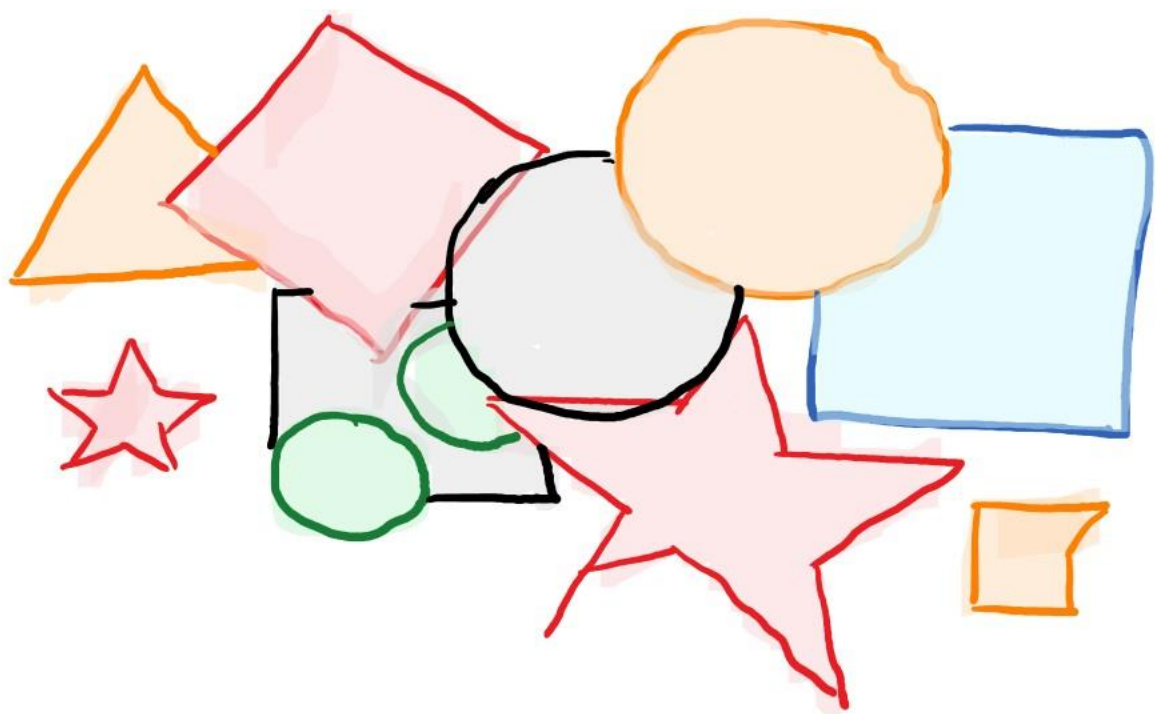
Protocols for verifiable delegation



Complexity considerations

Input: Circuit C , T gates, n qubits. ϵ : distance from ideal functionality

Protocol	Computation model	Verifier	Communication
Childs'05	Circuit	$O(1)$	$O(T)$
ABOE'08	Circuit	$O(\log 1/\epsilon)$	$O(T \log(1/\epsilon))$
BFK'09	MBQC	$O(1)$	$O(T \log(1/\epsilon))$
MF'13	MBQC	$O(1)$	$O(T/\epsilon^2)$
MF'16	Hamiltonian	$O(1)$	$O(T^3 \log(1/\epsilon))$
CGJV'18	Circuit	classical	$O(T/\epsilon^c)$
Mahadev'18	Hamiltonian	classical	$O(T^3 \log(1/\epsilon) \log(1/\lambda))$



Thank you

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[HTTP://USERS.CMS.CALTECH.EDU/~VIDICK/VERIFICATION.{PPSX,PDF}](http://users.cms.caltech.edu/~vidick/verification.{PPSX,PDF})

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