

# Actively secure two-party evaluation of any quantum operation

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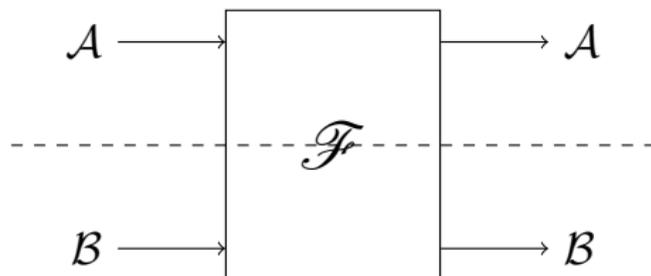
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# Outline

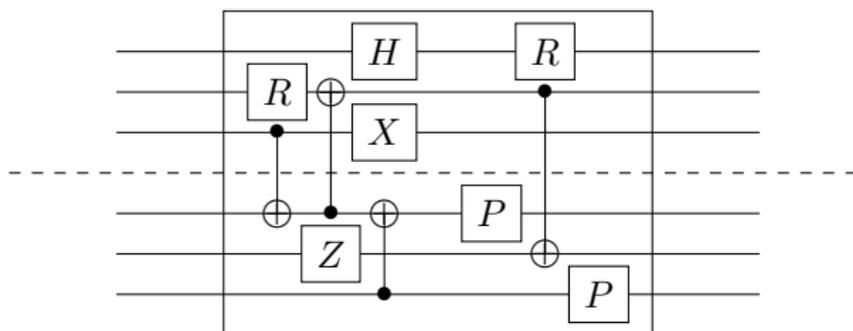
- Introduction: Task to be solved
- Security definition
- “Baby version” (semi-honest adversaries)
- Semi-honest → active adversaries
- (Very high-level) description of our protocol

# Introduction

Alice and Bob want to execute a quantum circuit  $\mathcal{F}$ :

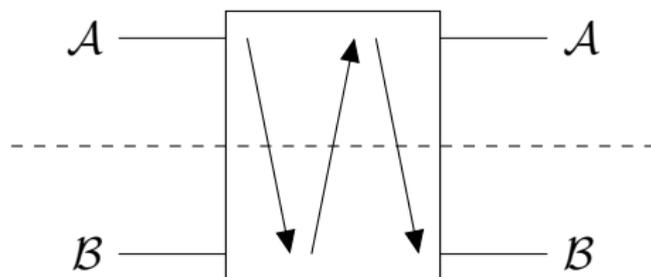


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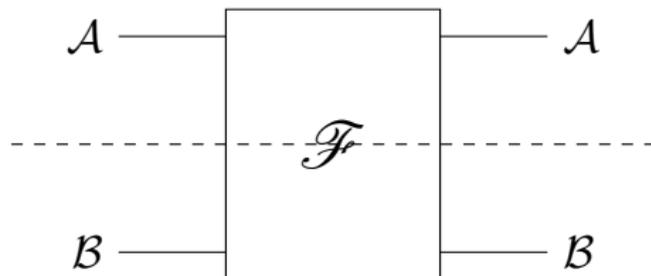


# Introduction

They want a protocol



that imitates a black box:



# Impossibility in the bare model

- Problem: This is impossible to achieve only by communication (quantum or classical).
- Why? Because it's impossible classically.
- We will assume that Alice and Bob can do *classical* two-party computation for free.
- Hallgren, Smith and Song (2011) have shown that classical ideal functionalities can be replaced by computationally secure protocols if the computational assumptions hold against quantum adversaries.
- What we show: Classical two-party computation  $\Rightarrow$  quantum two-party computation

# Previous work

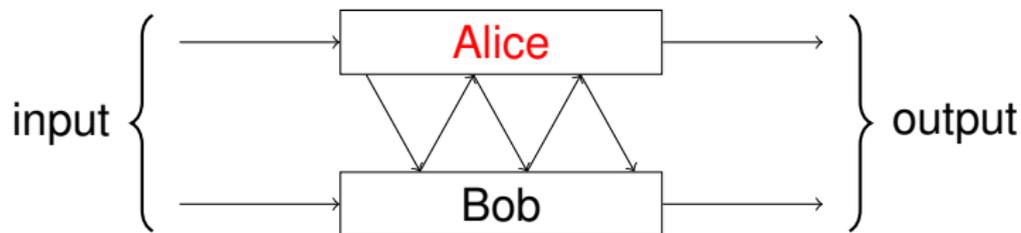
- Quantum multiparty computation:
  - Crépeau, Gottesman, Smith 2002: At most  $n/6$  cheaters.
  - Ben-Or, Crépeau, Gottesman, Hassidim, Smith 2008: Strict honest majority.
- Us, CRYPTO2010: Two-party computation, but against “specious” (semi-honest) adversaries.

# Brief detour: Security definition

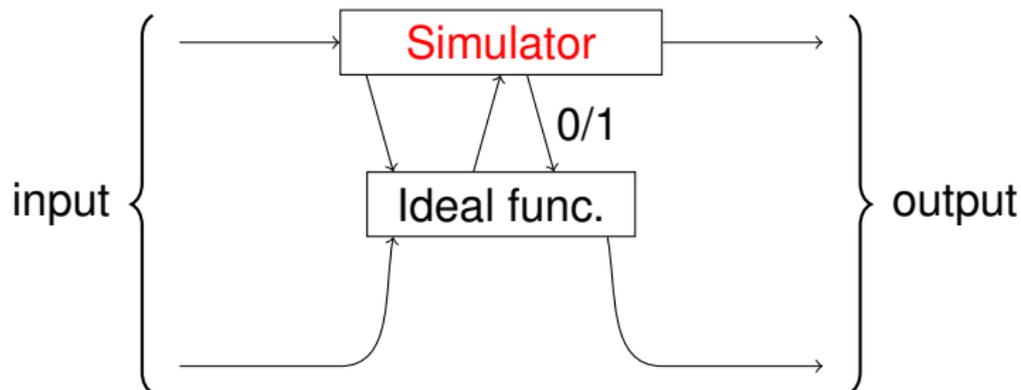
- We define security via simulation
- Problem: Player who goes last has an unavoidable advantage: He can prevent the other from getting his output.

# Security definition: Dishonest Alice

Real protocol:

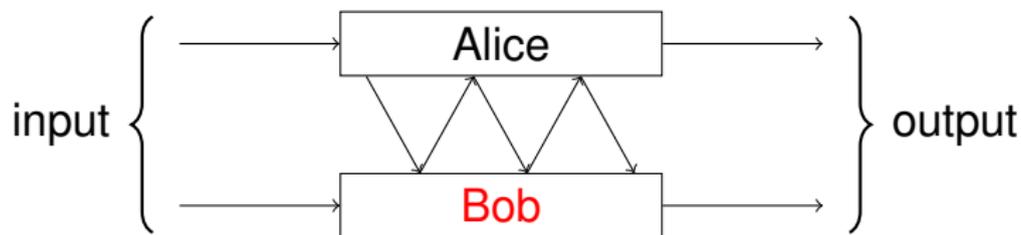


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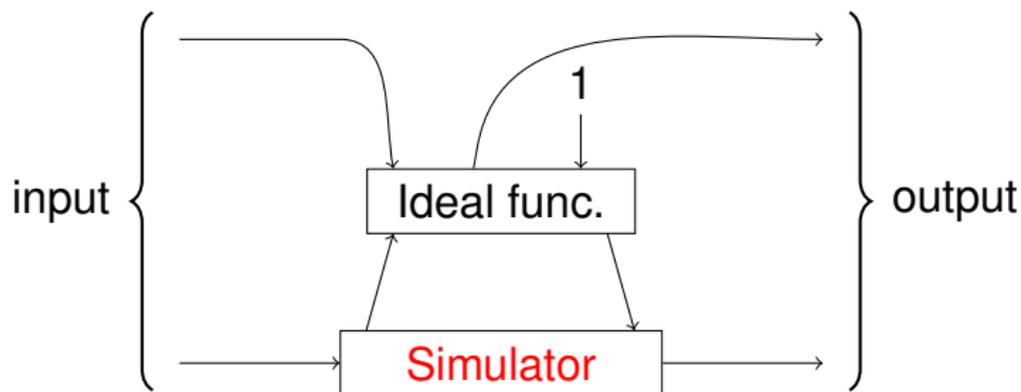


# Security definition: Dishonest Bob

Real protocol:



Simulation with ideal functionality:



# Baby version: semi-honest adversaries

First, represent  $\mathcal{F}$  as a sequence of the following gates:

$$|0\rangle -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{X} -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{Y} -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{Z} -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{H} -$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{P} -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$- \boxed{R} -$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\pi/4} \end{pmatrix}$$

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# Baby version: semi-honest adversaries

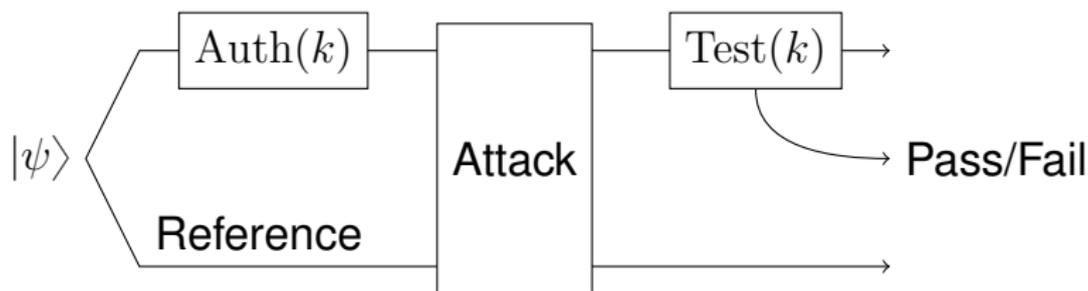
Suppose the adversaries are semi-honest [us, CRYPTO'10].  
Then the protocol is as follows:

- Encrypt all the inputs with a quantum one-time pad.
- For each gate in the circuit, execute a subprotocol that performs the gates and updates the keys.
- All the gates can be done without communication except:
  - Non-local CNOT: Need classical communication
  - $R$ -gate (non-Clifford): Need one oblivious transfer.
- Use a perfect SWAP gate to exchange the keys at the end.

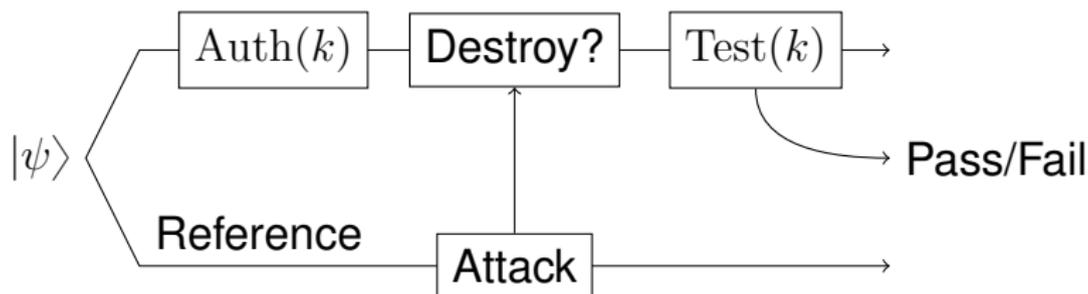
# From semi-honest to full security

- We need a way to force a dishonest adversaries to follow the protocol
- Solution: Instead of just encrypting, we *authenticate* all the inputs and ancillas.
- We check the authentication at every step to ensure compliance with the protocol.

# Authenticating quantum states



should be equivalent to



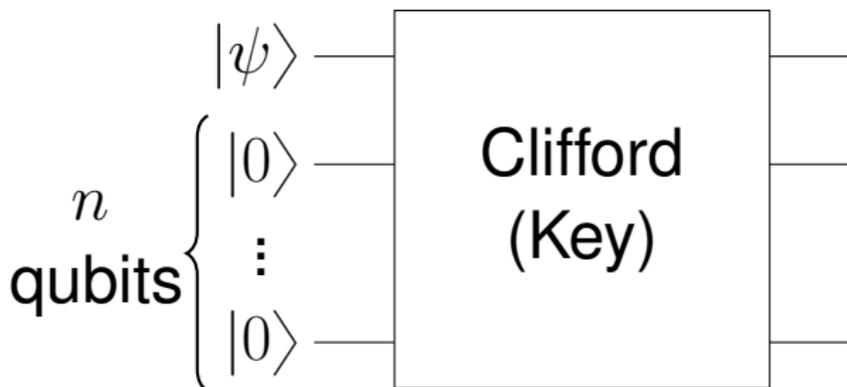
# Clifford-based QAS: the Clifford group

*[Aharonov, Ben-Or, Eban 2008]*

- Pauli group: any tensor product of  $\mathbb{1}, X, Y, Z$ .
- Clifford group:  $U$  is Clifford if for any Pauli  $P$ ,  $UPU^*$  is also Pauli.
- Need  $O(n^2)$  bits to identify a Clifford operator.

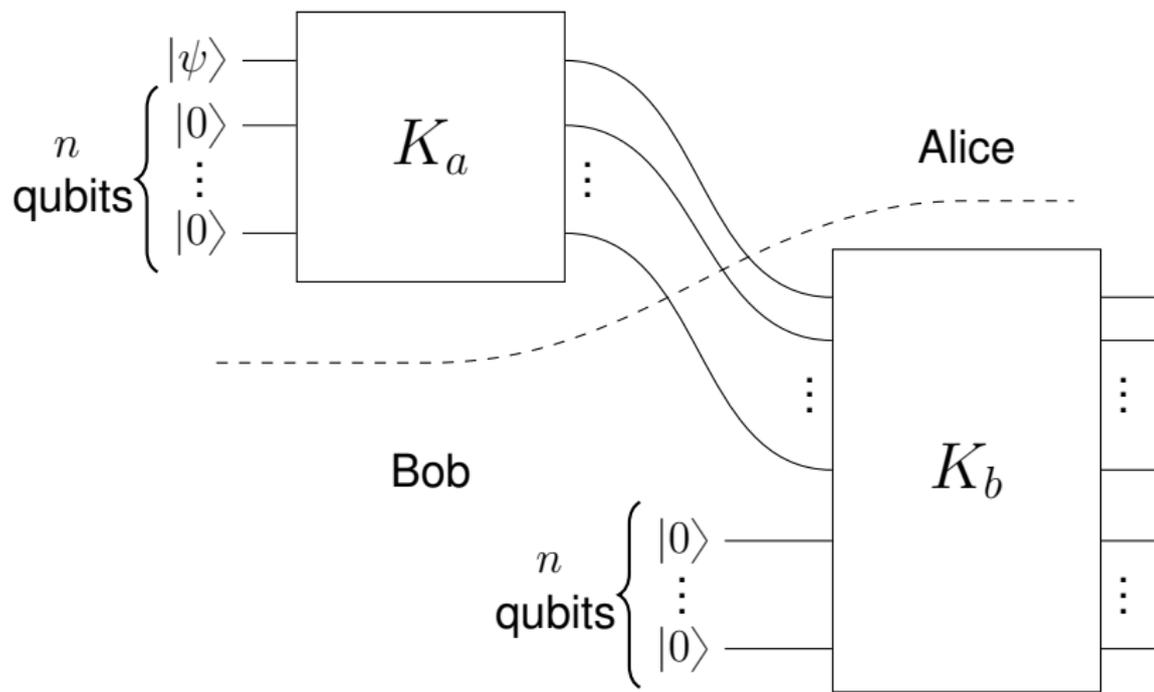
# Clifford-based QAS

To authenticate  $|\psi\rangle$ , do the following:



To check, undo the Clifford and measure the ancillas. If we don't get all  $|0\rangle$ 's, declare an error.

# Swaddling: double authentication

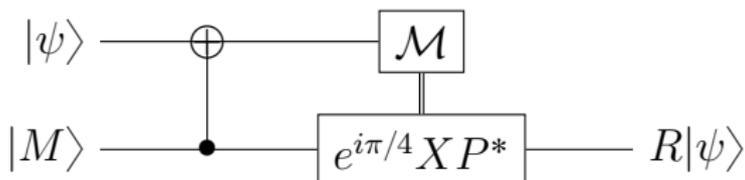


# Our protocol

- Swaddle all the inputs and commit to the keys.
- Generate extra  $|0\rangle$  and ensure that they are correct.
- For each gate, run a classical protocol that tells Alice and Bob how to execute the gates and update the keys.
- Verify the authentication whenever necessary.
- Open commitments (i.e. reveal all keys).
- Problem gate: the  $R$ -gate, the only non-Clifford gate in our set.

# The $R$ gate

We can reduce the  $R$  gate to Clifford operations by the following trick:



where  $|M\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle + e^{i\pi/4}|1\rangle)$  (“magic state”).

# The $R$ gate

- We need to generate a supply of  $|M\rangle$  states at the beginning.
- Have one player generate a large number of them, and the other player tests a random sample of them and aborts if any errors are found.
- This ensures a low error rate.
- We then use a distillation protocol by Bravyi and Kitaev to distill a smaller number of good  $|M\rangle$  states.

# Conclusion

- Classical two-party computation  $\Rightarrow$  Quantum two-party computation

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