

# Oblivious Transfer from Zero-Knowledge Proofs

or How to Achieve Round-Optimal Quantum Oblivious Transfer and Zero-Knowledge  
Proofs on Quantum States

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# Multi-Party Computing (MPC)



Oblivious  
Transfer

A low-poly 3D illustration of a desert landscape. In the center, a blue rectangular sign stands on a red carpet, displaying the text "Oblivious Transfer". To the left of the sign, a female character with red horns and a blue dress stands with her back to the viewer. To the right, a male character with red horns and a red shirt stands facing the sign. Two small white signs with the mathematical symbols  $m_0$  and  $m_1$  are attached to the right side of the blue sign. In the background, there are pinkish-red mountains with white snow-capped peaks, a few small trees with purple flowers, and a glowing blue and green device on the right. The sky is a solid reddish-orange color with white, blocky clouds.

# Oblivious Transfer

$m_0$

$m_1$



$b$

Oblivious  
Transfer

$m_0$

$m_1$





Oblivious  
Transfer

$b$

$m_0$

$m_1$

$m_b$

# OT: state of the art

Oblivious Transfer (OT) : studied a lot ([Rab81], [EGL85], [PVW08], [BD18], [GLSV22], [BCKM21]...)

## State of the art

### Classical



**Requires trapdoors**

(= CryptoMania, asymmetric crypto)



**2 messages**

### Quantum



**No structure is necessary**

(= hash function)



**7 messages** ([CK88]/[BBCS92]...)  
→ **3 messages** ([ABKK23]) ←

With **pre-shared EPR pairs**:

[BKS23]: 1-message **random** receiver bit string OT & 2-message OT

[Agarwal, Bartusek, Khurana, Kumar 23] raises the question:

**? Is there an OT protocol in 2-messages (optimal) without structure?**



# Our contributions

**Yes !**

## Theorem 1 (informal)

*There exists a 2-message (optimal) quantum OT protocol secure in the Random Oracle Model (i.e. no structure) assuming the existence of a hiding collision-resistant hash function.*

## Our approach

 No structure is necessary  
(= hash function)

 2 messages

## Methods

Remove cut-and-choose: classical Zero-Knowledge proofs + quantum protocol  
= prove a statement on a quantum state non-destructively.





Proof



Proof



Proof



Proof

Either:  
Qubits 1 & 2 collapsed  
or qubits 2 & 3 collapsed

Proof



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or qubits 2 & 3 collapsed

I trust you!  
But which are the  
collapsed ones?

Proof





Secret !

I trust you!  
But which are the  
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Proof



# Our contributions

We can prove that a received quantum state belongs to a fixed set of quantum state:

## Theorem 2 (informal)

*For any arbitrary predicate  $\mathcal{P}$ , there exists a protocol such that:*

- *The prover chooses a secret subset  $S$  of qubits such that  $\mathcal{P}(S) = \top$*
- *At the end of the protocol, the verifier ends up with a quantum state such that qubits in  $S$  are collapsed (measured in computational basis), even if the prover is malicious*
- *$S$  stays unknown to the verifier*

( $\mathcal{P}$  allows us to get string-OT,  $k$ -out-of- $n$  OT...)

## Complexity theory:

⇒ **generalize ZK proofs to quantum languages (ZKstatesQMA)**

(we do not characterize ZKstatesQMA/ZKstatesQIP completely, but we define them and show they are not trivial)




Zero  
Knowledge

Our  
Work



Our  
Work

Oblivious  
Transfer




NIZK  
[Unr15]

Our  
Work



# Our Work

Oblivious  
Transfer  
(2-messages)



ZK plain-model  
[HSS11]

Our  
Work



# Our Work

Oblivious  
Transfer  
(plain-model)



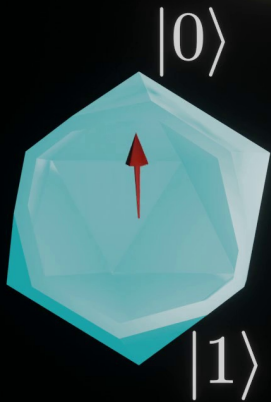
## Theorem 3 (ZK $\Rightarrow$ quantum OT, informal)

*Assuming the existence of a collision-resistant hiding function, there exists a protocol turning any  $n$ -message, post-quantum Zero-Knowledge (ZK) proof of knowledge into an  $(n + 1)$ -message quantum OT protocol assuming a Common Random String model or  $n + 2$  without further setup assumptions.*

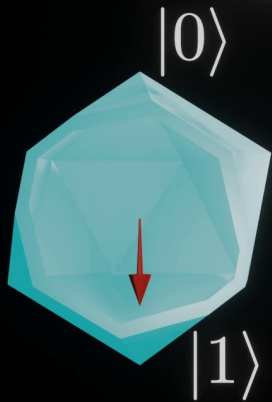
*The security properties (statistical security, etc.) and assumptions (setup, computational assumptions, etc.) of the ZK protocol are mostly preserved.*

Article	Classical	Setup	Messages	MiniQCrypt	Composable	Statistical
This work + [Unr15]	No	RO	2	Yes	Yes	No
This work + [HSS11]	No	Plain M.	> 2	No (LWE)	Yes	No
This work + S-NIZK	No	Like ZK	2	Like ZK	Yes	Sender
This work + NIZK proof	No	Like ZK	2	Like ZK	Yes	Receiver
This work + ZK	No	Like ZK	ZK + 1 or 2	Like ZK	Yes	Like ZK

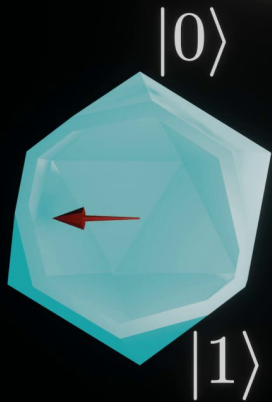
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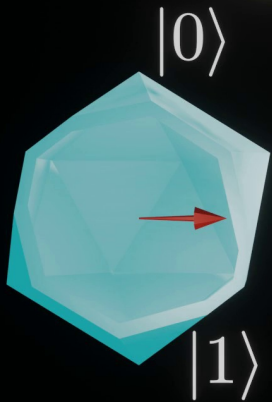
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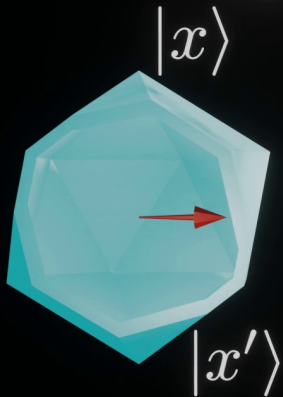
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Superposition

$$a_x |x\rangle + a_{x'} |x'\rangle$$

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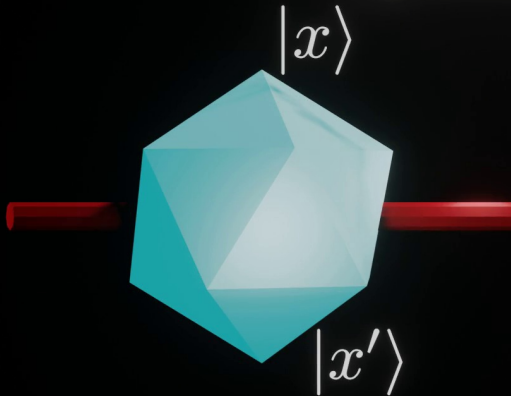


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# Qubits

$|x\rangle$

Superposition

$d$

$$a_x |x\rangle + a_{x'} |x'\rangle$$

$|x'\rangle$



Oblivious Transfer

$b$

$m_0$

$m_1$

$m_b$





$b$

$m_0$

$m_1$



If  $b = 0$



$m_0$

$m_1$



If  $b = 0$



If  $b = 1$



$m_0$

$m_1$



If  $b = 1$



$m_0$

$m_1$

$r$



One qubit comp. basis





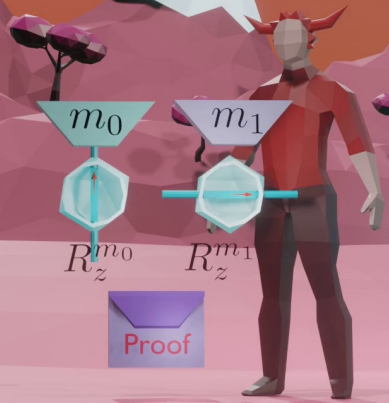
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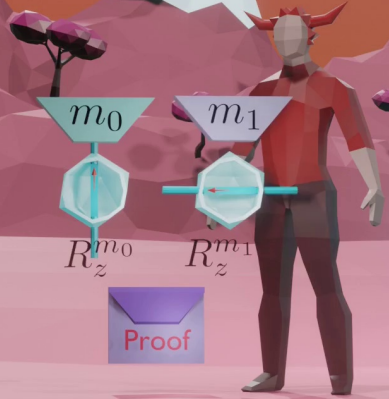
$r$



If  $b = 1$



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$r$



$m_0$



$m_1$



Proof



If  $b = 1$



$r$



$m_0$

$m_1$



$s_0$

Proof



If  $b = 1$



$r$



$m_0$

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Proof



If  $b = 1$



$m_0$

$m_1$

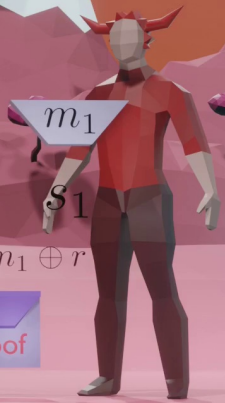
$s_0$

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$r$

$$= m_1 \oplus r$$

Proof



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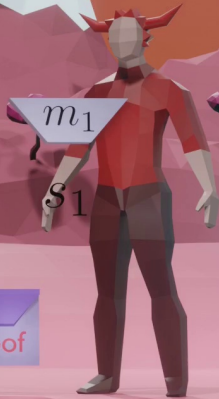


$r$



$m_0$

$s_0$



$m_1$

$s_1$





If  $b = 1$

$r$   $s_0$   $s_1$

$m_0$

$m_1$

Proof

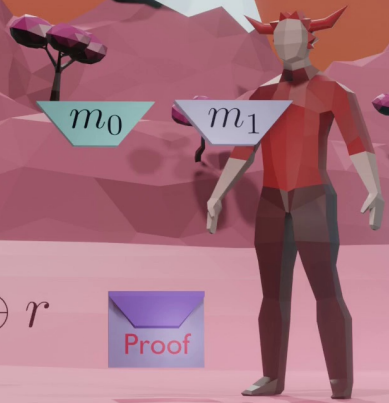


If  $b = 1$

$r \quad s_0 \quad s_1$

$$m_b = s_b \oplus r$$

Proof



# This is not secure!

## Problem of naive construction

Problem: Alice can cheat by sending two  $|+\rangle$  states instead of one  $|0/1\rangle$  and one  $|\pm\rangle$ .

If  $b = 1$



$r_1$



One qubit comp. basis





$r_0$

$r_1$

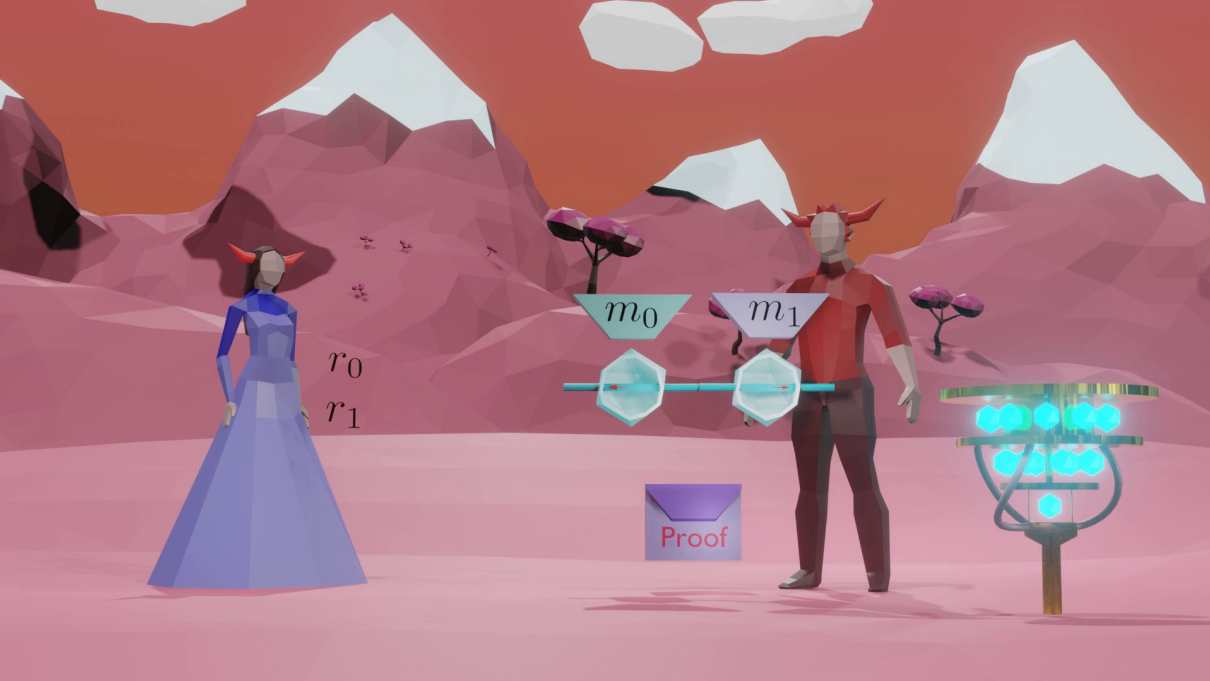


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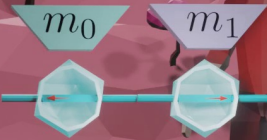
$m_0$

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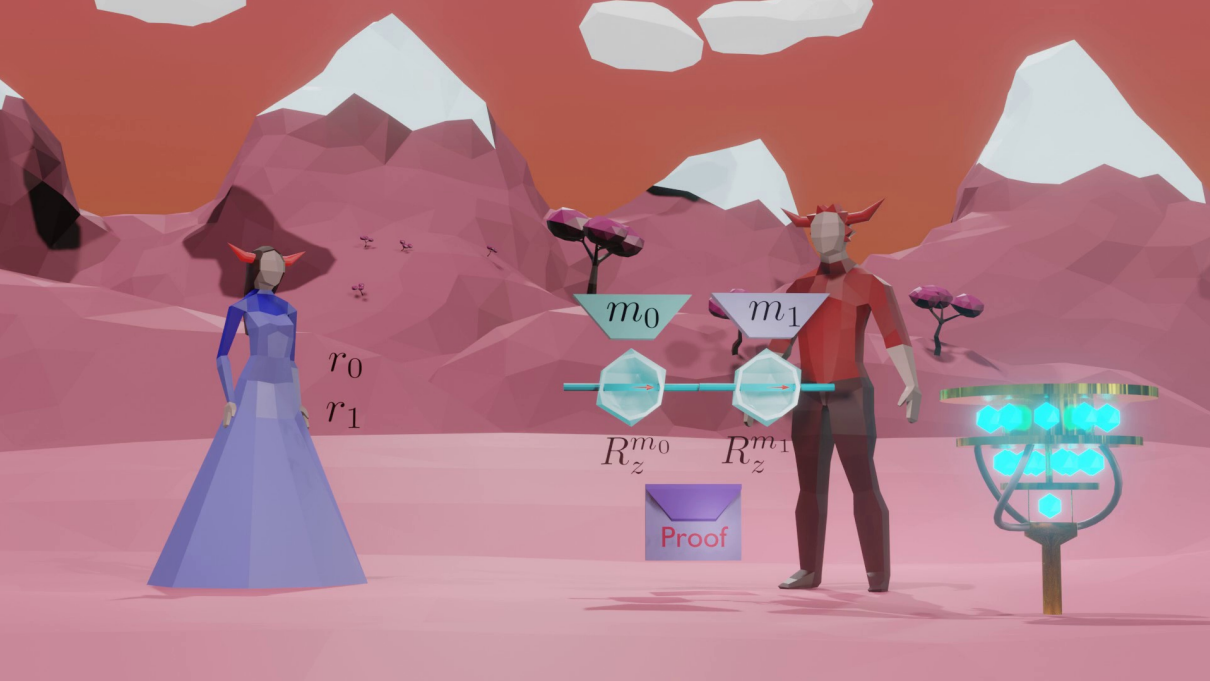


$r_0$   
 $r_1$



Proof





$r_0$   
 $r_1$

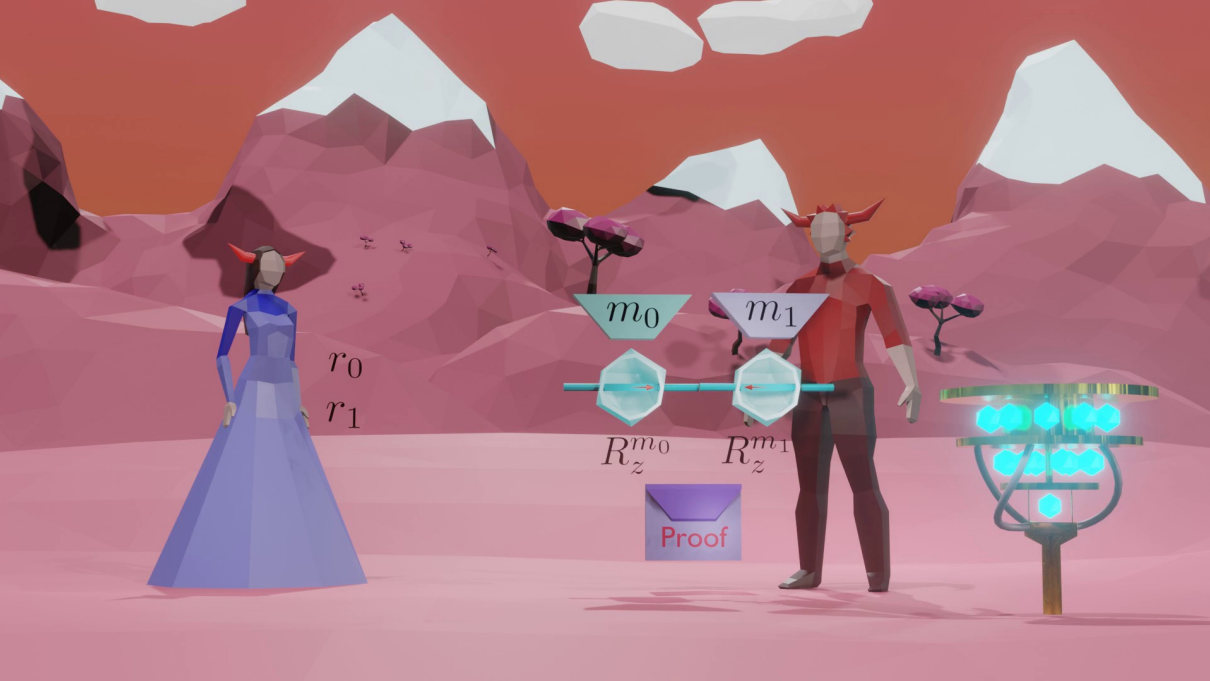
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$m_1$

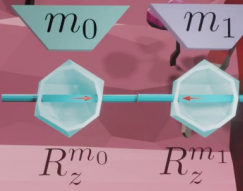
$R_z^{m_0}$

$R_z^{m_1}$

Proof



$r_0$   
 $r_1$



Proof





$r_0$   
 $r_1$

$m_0$

$m_1$

Proof



$r_0$   
 $r_1$

$m_0$

$m_1$

$s_0$

Proof



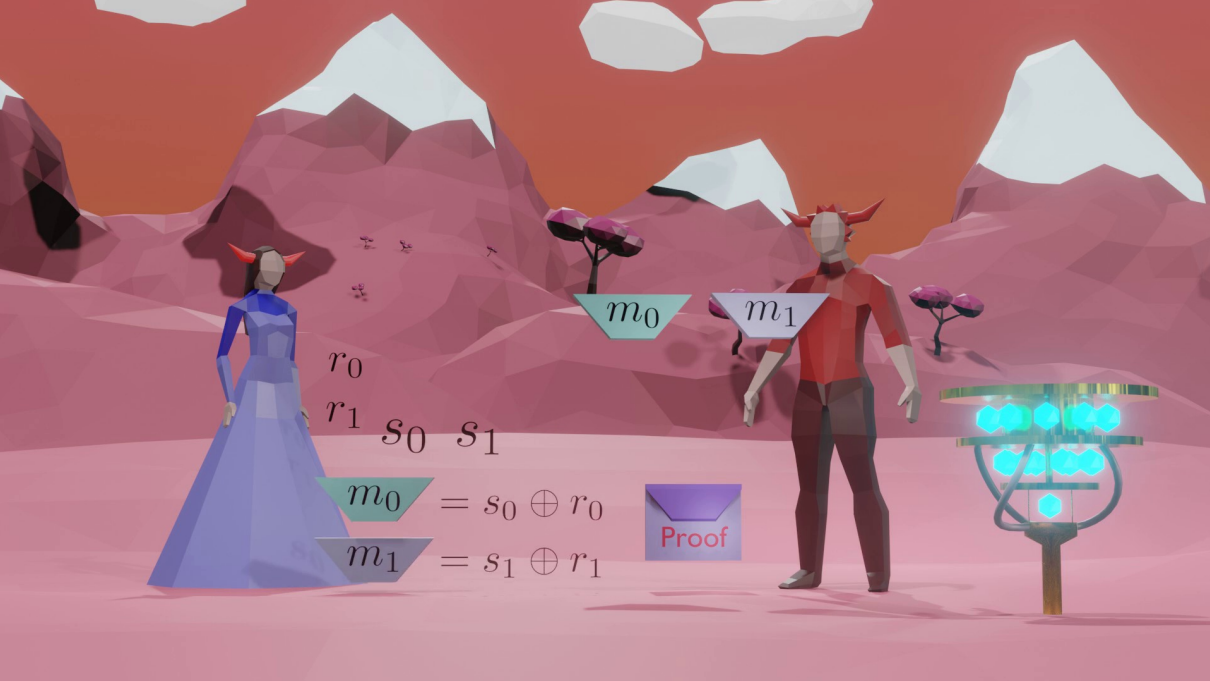
 $r_0$  $r_1$  $m_0$  $m_1$  $s_0$ 

$$= m_0 \oplus r'$$

 $s_1$ 

$$= m_1 \oplus r$$





$m_0$

$m_1$

Proof

$r_0$   
 $r_1$   $s_0$   $s_1$

$$m_0 = s_0 \oplus r_0$$

$$m_1 = s_1 \oplus r_1$$



# Classical Zero-Knowledge



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Solution exists?



1	⊙	⊙	⊙
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⊙	2	⊙	⊙



# Classical Zero-Knowledge

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I won't reveal it.

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# Classical Zero-Knowledge

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I won't reveal it.

I don't trust you.

1	●	●	●
●	●	4	●
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# Classical Zero-Knowledge



Generalizable in a non-interactive way to NP problems.



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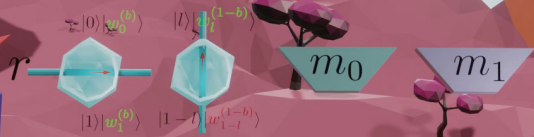
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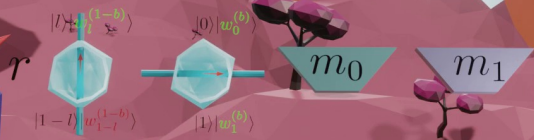


Random string starting with 0

Random string starting with 1



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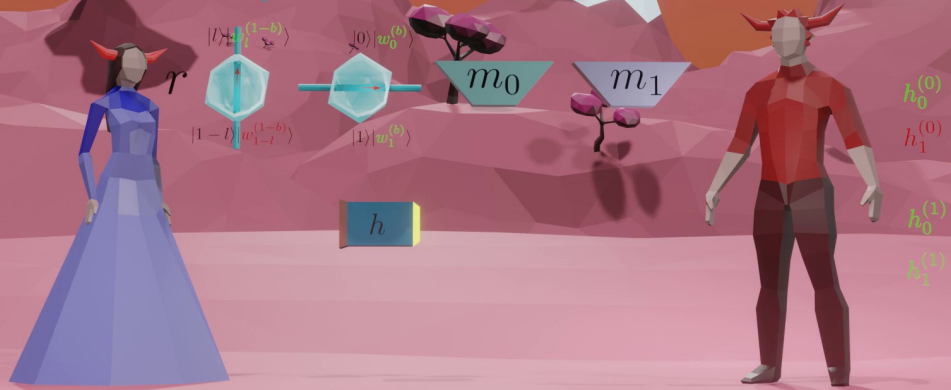


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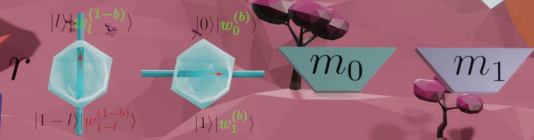


If  $b = 1$



$h_0^{(0)}$   
 $h_1^{(0)}$   
 $h_0^{(1)}$   
 $h_1^{(1)}$

If  $b = 1$



$r$

Proof

Prove that  $\exists (w_d^{(c)})_{c,d}$ , s.t.  $\forall c, d, h_d^{(c)} = h(d||w_d^{(c)})$   
and  $\exists c, d$  s.t.  $w_d^{(c)}[1] = 1$

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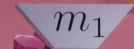


$r$



$|l\rangle|w_l^{(1-b)}\rangle$

$|1-l\rangle|w_{1-l}^{(1-b)}\rangle$



$|0\rangle|w_0^{(b)}\rangle$

$|1\rangle|w_1^{(b)}\rangle$



$h_0^{(0)}$

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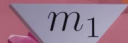
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$r$



$m_0$



$m_1$

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Proof



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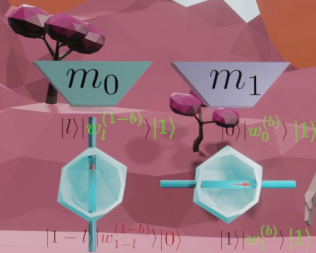
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If  $b = 1$



$r$



$\forall c$ , run on state  $c$  the unitary  $U_{f^{(c)}}$  with:  
 $f^{(c)}(x, w) = w[1] \neq 1 \wedge \exists d, h(x||w) = h_d^{(c)}$

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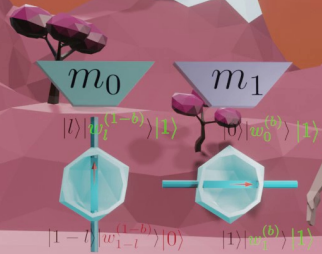


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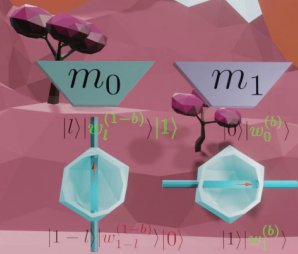
Measure output, check = 1



If  $b = 1$



$r$



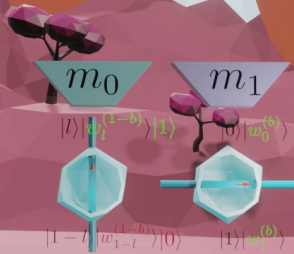
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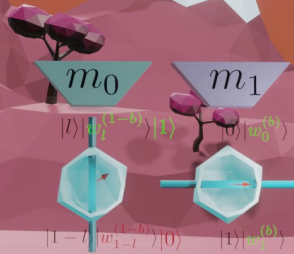
Measure output, check  $= 1$



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$r$



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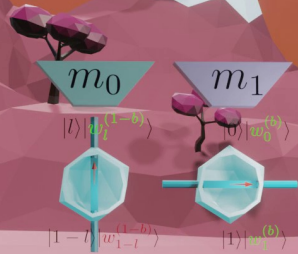
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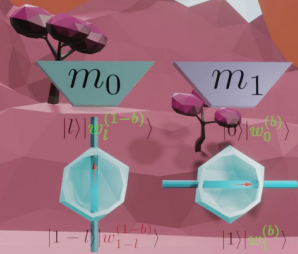
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Mesure the second register in  $H$  basis

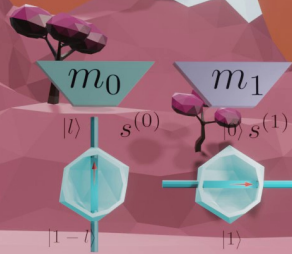


$h_0^{(0)}$   
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Proof

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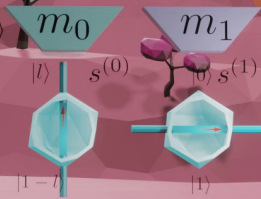
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Mesure the second register in  $H$  basis



If  $b = 1$

$$r \oplus \langle s^{(b)}, w_0^{(b)} \oplus w_1^{(b)} \rangle$$



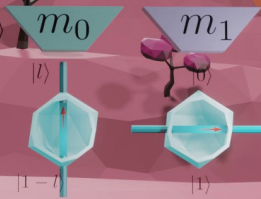
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$$\begin{aligned} h_0^{(0)} \\ h_1^{(0)} \\ h_0^{(1)} \\ h_1^{(1)} \end{aligned}$$

**Proof**

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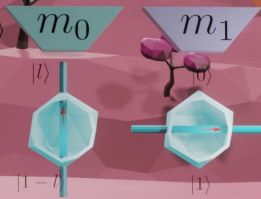
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$$h_0^{(1)}$$

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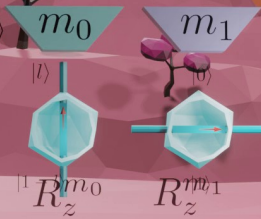
We got (NI)ZKoQS !

(one state is collapsed, Bob does not know which one)  
 (NI)ZKoQS = Non-Interactive Zero-Knowledge Proof on Quantum State



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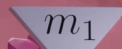
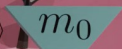
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$|l\rangle$



$$R_z^{m_0}$$

$$R_z^{m_1}$$

$$h_0^{(0)}$$

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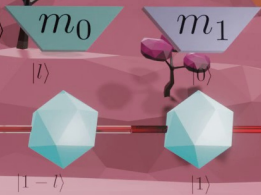
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**Proof**



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$m_0$

$m_1$

$s_0 \quad s_1$

$h_0^{(0)}$

$h_1^{(0)}$

$h_0^{(1)}$

$h_1^{(1)}$

**Proof**



If  $b = 1$

$$r \oplus \langle s^{(b)}, w_0^{(b)} \oplus w_1^{(b)} \rangle$$

$m_0$

$m_1$

$$m_b = s_b \oplus$$

$h_0^{(0)}$

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Proof

**Alice** ( $b \in \{0, 1\}$ )

**Bob** ( $(m_0, m_1) \in \{0, 1\}^2$ )

$$\forall d \in \{0, 1\}, w_d^{(b)} \leftarrow_{\$} \{0\} \times \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$l \leftarrow_{\$} \{0, 1\}$$

$$w_l^{(1-b)} \leftarrow_{\$} \{0\} \times \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$w_{1-l}^{(1-b)} \leftarrow_{\$} \{1\} \times \{0, 1\}^n$$

$$\forall (c, d) \in \{0, 1\}^2, h_d^{(c)} := h(d \| w_d^{(c)})$$

$\pi :=$  (NI)ZK proof that:

$$\exists (w_d^{(c)})_{c,d}, \forall c, d, h_d^{(c)} = h(d \| w_d^{(c)})$$

$$\text{and } \exists c, d \text{ s.t. } w_d^{(c)}[1] = 1.$$

$$r^{(b)} \leftarrow_{\$} \{0, 1\}$$

$$|\psi^{(b)}\rangle := |0\rangle |w_0^{(b)}\rangle + (-1)^{r^{(b)}} |1\rangle |w_1^{(b)}\rangle$$

$$|\psi^{(1-b)}\rangle := |l\rangle |w_l^{(1-b)}\rangle$$

If the ZK proof is interactive, then we actually run the ZK protocol (before sending the quantum state) instead of sending the proof (of course this adds additional rounds of communication).

$$\xrightarrow{\forall (c, d) : h_d^{(c)}, \pi, |\psi^{(0)}\rangle, |\psi^{(1)}\rangle}$$

Check (or run if interactive proof)  $\pi$ .

$\forall c$ , apply on  $|\psi^{(c)}\rangle |0\rangle$  the unitary:

$$x, w \mapsto w[1] \neq 1 \wedge \exists d, h(x \| w) = h_d^{(c)},$$

measure the last (output) register and check that the outcome is 1.

$\forall c$ , measure the second register of  $|\psi^{(c)}\rangle$

in the Hadamard basis (with outcome  $s^{(c)}$ ).

At that step,  $|\psi^{(b)}\rangle = |0\rangle \pm |1\rangle$  and  $|\psi^{(1-b)}\rangle = |l\rangle$ , but Bob does not know  $b$  (NIZKoQS).

..... End of NIZKoQS .....

$\forall c$ , apply  $Z^{m_c}$  on  $|\psi^{(c)}\rangle$  and measure it

in the Hadamard basis (with outcome  $z^{(c)}$ ).

$$\xleftarrow{\forall c, s^{(c)}, z^{(c)}}$$

$$\text{Compute } \alpha := r^{(b)} \oplus \bigoplus_i s^{(b)} [i] (w_0^{(b)} \oplus w_1^{(b)}) [i]$$

**return**  $\alpha \oplus z^{(b)}$  / Should be  $m_b$

# Security Proof

## Composable security (informal)

The protocol quantum-standalone realizes the OT functionality, assuming that:

- $h$  is **collision resistant** (security against malicious Alice),
- $h$  is **hiding**<sup>1</sup> (i.e. no information leaks on  $x$  given  $h(x||r)$ , security against malicious Bob).
- There exists a ZK **proof of knowledge**

Moreover, it is secure against **statistically unbounded parties** if the ZK protocol is secure in that setting and if the corresponding assumptions statistically hold (e.g. injective  $h$  for unbounded Alice, lossy  $h$  for unbounded Bob).

<sup>1</sup> Note that we can get an even weaker assumption ( $h$  is one-way) by using hardcore bits and the Goldreich-Levin construction, but we leave the formalization of this proof for future work.

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$m_1$

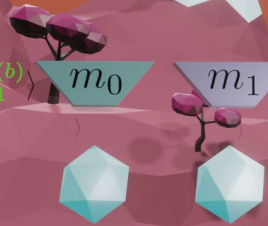
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Proof



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$h_0$

$h_1$

$h_2$

$h_3$

Proof



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$m_1$



$h_0$

$h_1$

$h_0$

$h_1$

At most 4 elements in the superposition  
(or collision with the extracted values)



If  $b = 1$

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$m_0$

$m_1$



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$h_1^{(b)}$

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$h_1^{(b)}$

No element map to the dummy hash  
(or collision with the extracted values)



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**Proof**

# Quantum language and ZK on quantum state

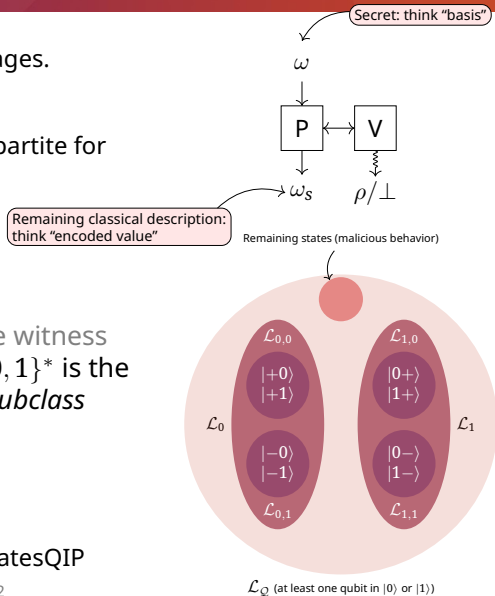
# Quantum language and ZKoQS

Quantum language = generalization of classical languages.

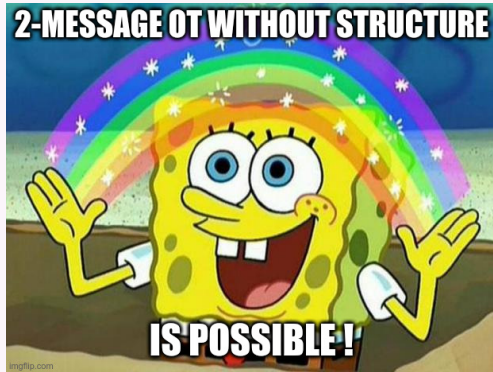
Properties of ZK on Quantum States (informal):

- **Soundness:**  $\mathcal{L}_Q$  = **subset of quantum states** (bipartite for the adversary).
  - Classically  $x \in \mathcal{L}$  if V accepts
  - Quantumly  $\rho \in \mathcal{L}_Q$  if V accepts
- **Correctness:**
  - Classically:  $x \in \mathcal{L}_w \subset \mathcal{L}$ ,  $w \in \{0, 1\}^*$  is the witness
  - Quantumly:  $\rho \in \mathcal{L}_{\omega, \omega_s} \subseteq \mathcal{L}_\omega \subseteq \mathcal{L}_Q$ ,  $\omega \in \{0, 1\}^*$  is the witness or *class*, and  $\omega_s \in \{0, 1\}^*$  is the *subclass*
- **Zero-Knowledge:**
  - Classically: Bob can't learn info on  $w$
  - Quantumly: Bob can't learn info on  $\omega$

⇒ We introduce complexity classes ZKstatesQMA/ZKstatesQIP



Take-home message



(and Zero-Knowledge proofs on quantum states)

### Open questions and ongoing works

- **Characterize ZKstatesQMA**  
What are the other ZKoQS properties that can(not) be verified?  
Under which assumption?
- **Role of entanglement**  
Prove (im)possibility of similar ZKoQS with only **single-qubit** operations? (entanglement seems important)
- Other **applications?**  
Quantum money, reducing communication complexity in other protocol...
- ...



Thank you!



Thank you!

# Supplementary materials



# Comparison with existing works

Article	Classical	Setup	Messages	MiniQCrypt	Composable	Statistical
[PVW08]	Yes	CRS	2	No (LWE)	Yes	Either
[BD18]	Yes	Plain M.	2	No (LWE)	Sender	Receiver
[CK88] + later works	No	Depends	7	Yes	Yes [DFL+09],[Unr10]	Either
[GLSV21]	No	Plain M./ CRS	poly/ $\text{cte} \geq 7$	Yes	Yes	No
[BCKM21]	No	Plain M./ CRS	poly/ $\text{cte} \geq 7$	Yes	Yes	Sender
[ABKK23]	No	RO	3	Yes	Yes	No
This work + [Unr15]	No	RO	2	Yes	Yes	No
This work + [HSS11]	No	Plain M.	$> 2$	No (LWE)	Yes	No
This work + S-NIZK	No	Like ZK	2	Like ZK	Yes	Sender
This work + NIZK proof	No	Like ZK	2	Like ZK	Yes	Receiver
This work + ZK	No	Like ZK	ZK +1 or 2 <sup>1</sup>	Like ZK	Yes	Like ZK

# Classical Zero-Knowledge



# Classical Zero-Knowledge

Solution exists?



1	⊙	⊙	⊙
⊙	⊙	4	⊙
⊙	⊙	3	⊙
⊙	2	⊙	⊙



# Classical Zero-Knowledge

Yes!  
I won't reveal it.

Solution exists?

1	⊙	⊙	⊙
⊙	⊙	4	⊙
⊙	⊙	3	⊙
⊙	2	⊙	⊙



# Classical Zero-Knowledge

Yes!  
I won't reveal it.

I don't trust you.

1	●	●	●
●	●	4	●
●	●	3	●
●	2	●	●



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⊙	⊙	3	⊙
⊙	2	⊙	⊙



# Classical Zero-Knowledge

Yes!  
I won't reveal it.

I don't trust you.

1	4	2	3
2	3	4	1
4	1	3	2
3	2	1	4



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Generalizable in a non-interactive way to NP problems.