

# Grover on Quantum Cryptanalysis

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Nibble oriented with block and key size of 16 bits.

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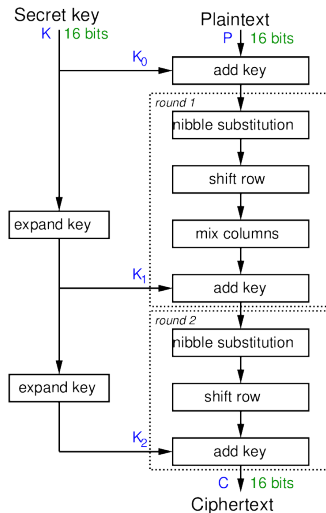


Figure: SAES encryption<sup>2</sup>

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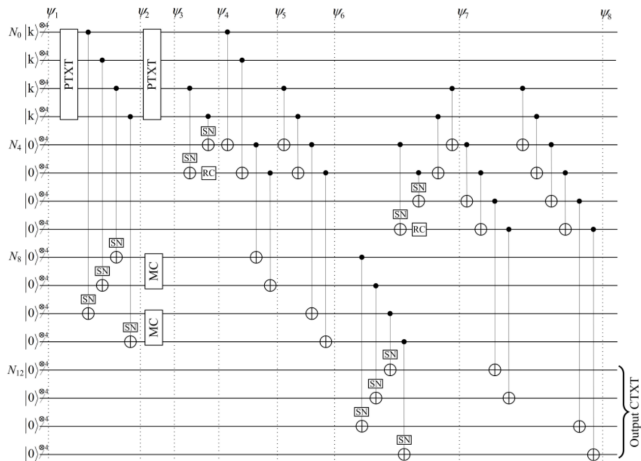


Figure: QSAES18<sup>3</sup>

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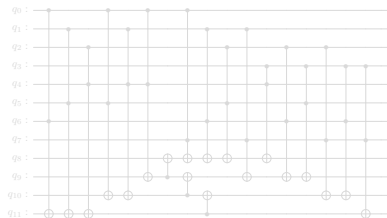


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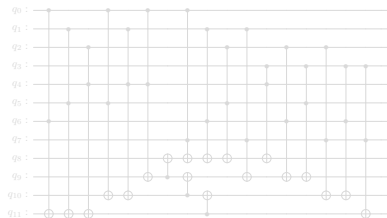


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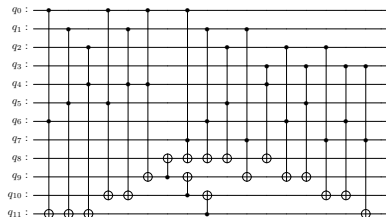


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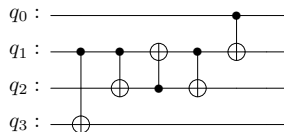


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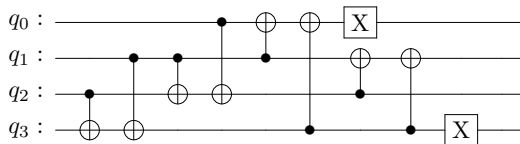


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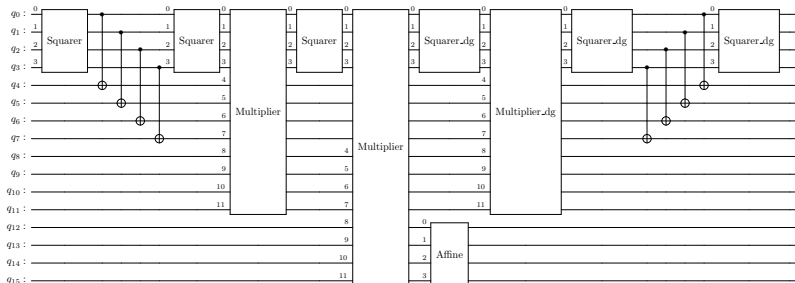


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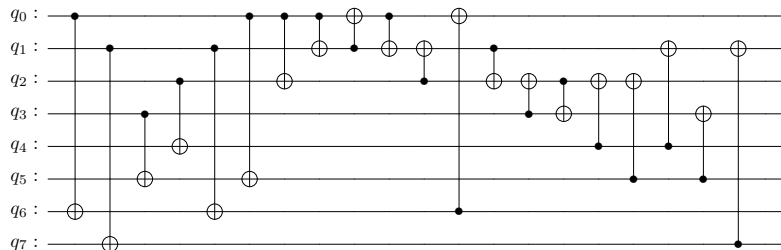


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The circuit takes 1 byte (1 column of the state matrix) and outputs the corresponding matrix multiplication in  $GF(2^4)$ .

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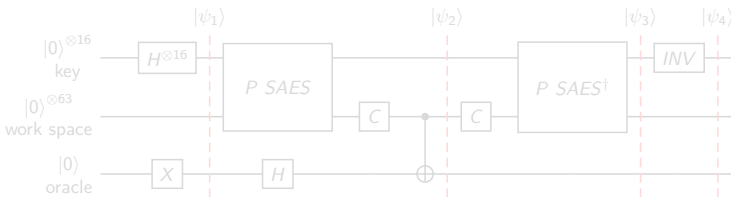


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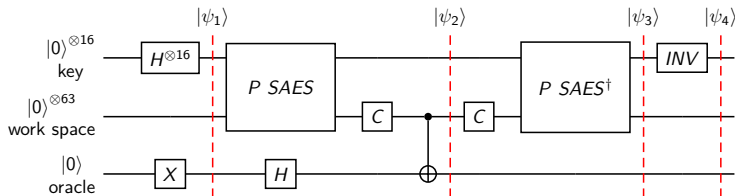


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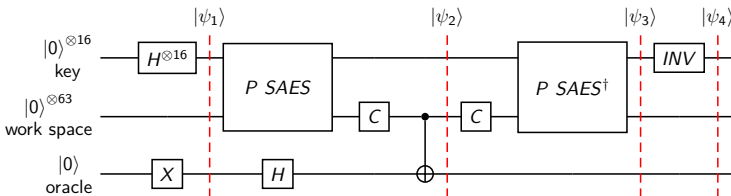


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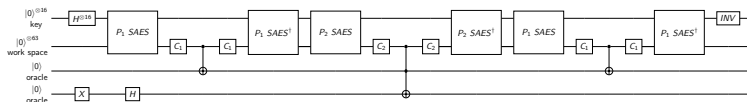


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The corresponding boolean function is described as follows:

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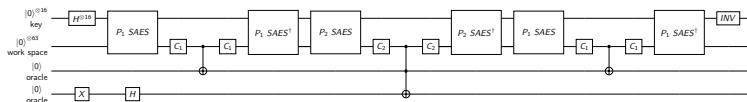
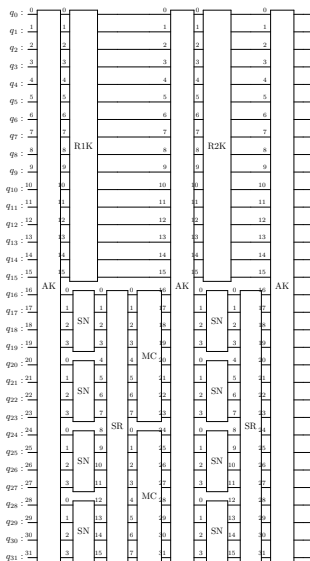


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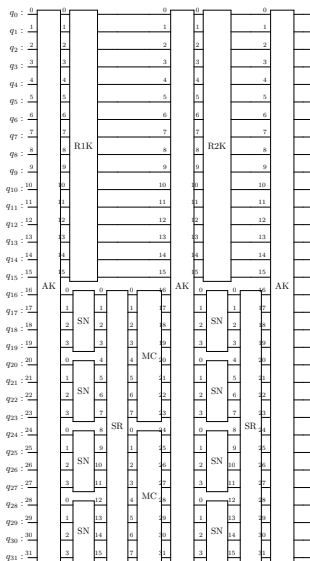
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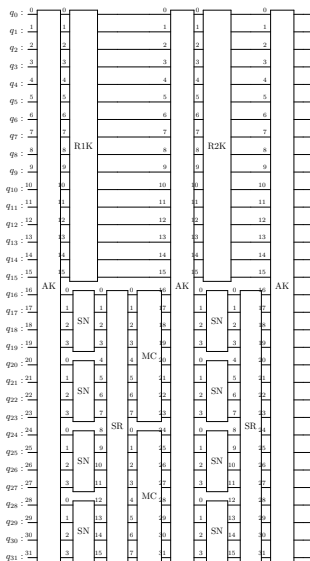


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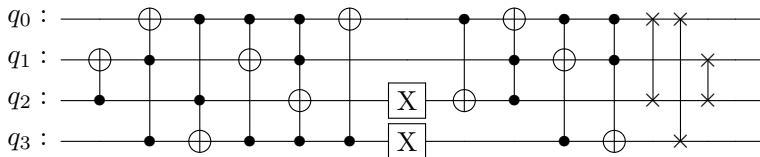


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## Shift Rows and Mix Column

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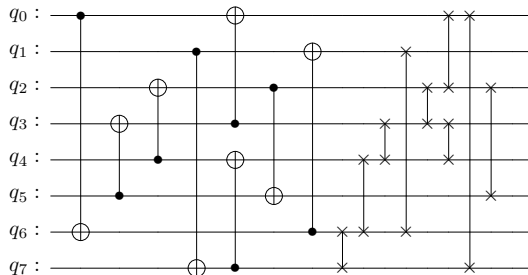


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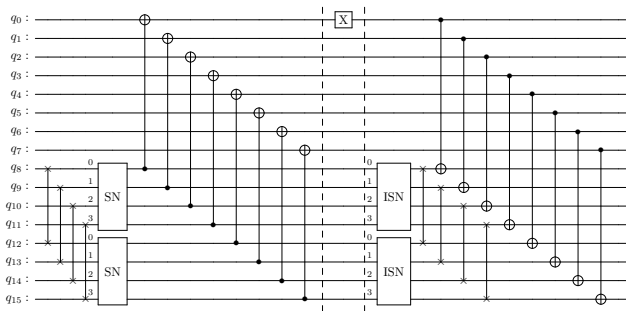


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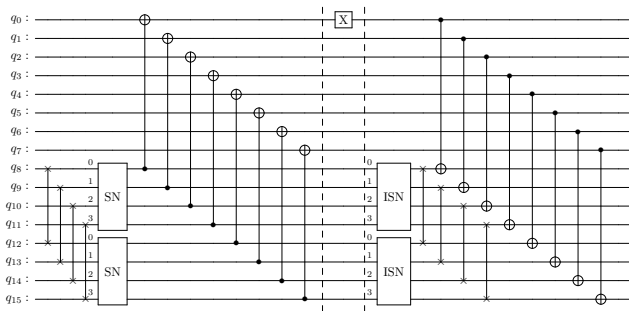


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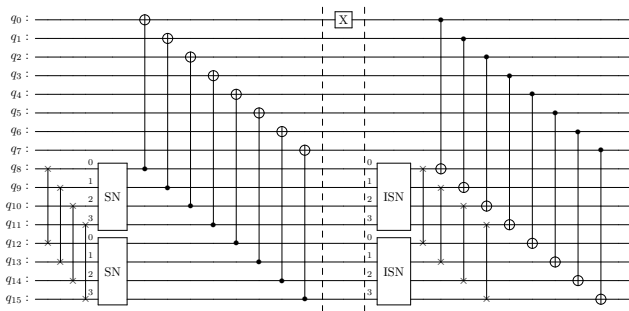


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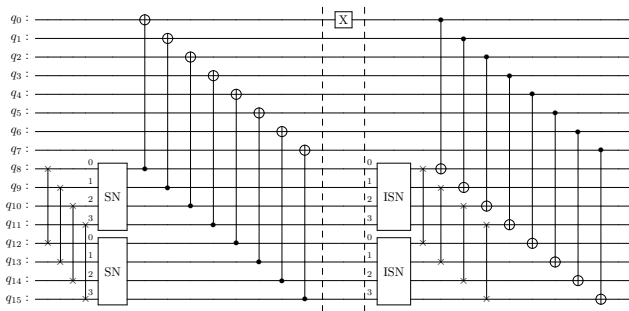


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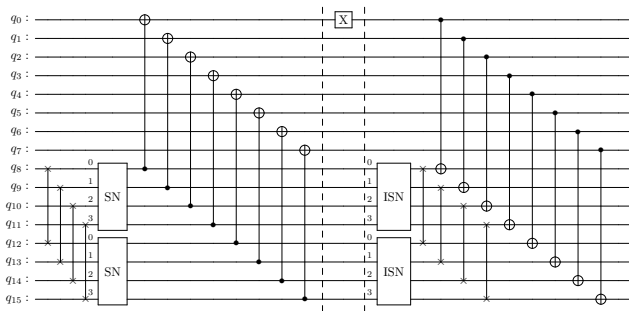


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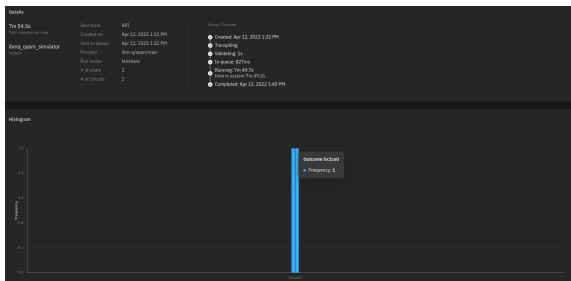


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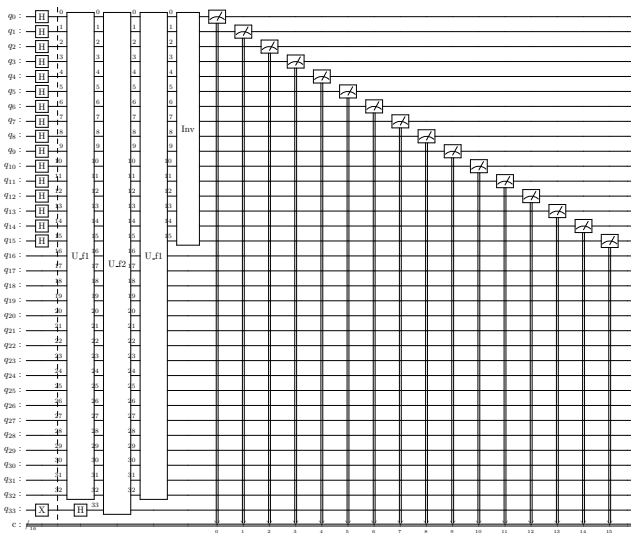


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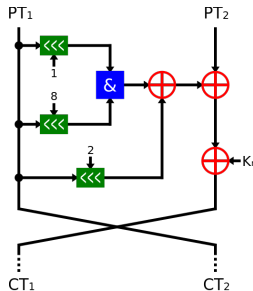


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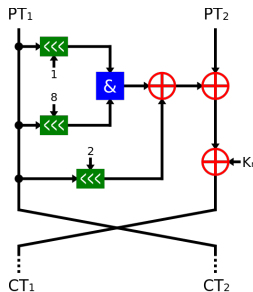


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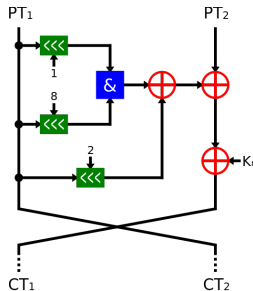


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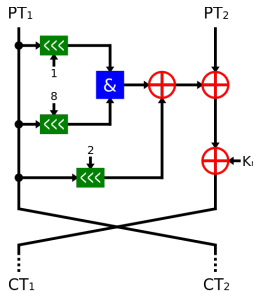


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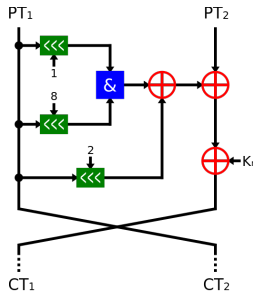


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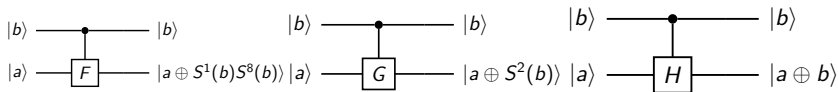


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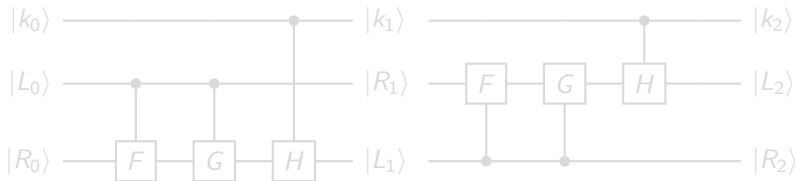


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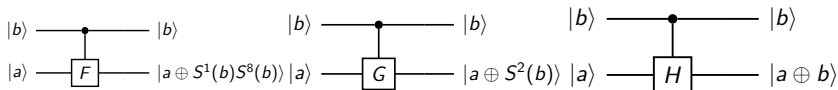


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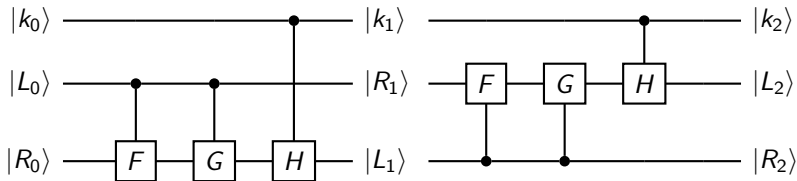


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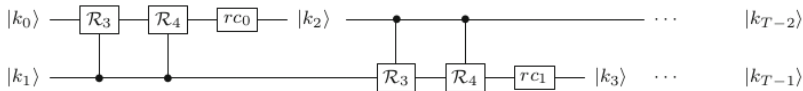


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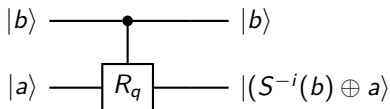


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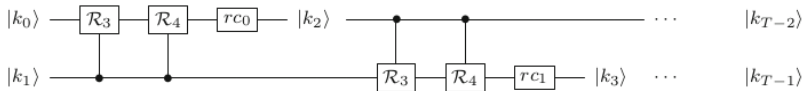


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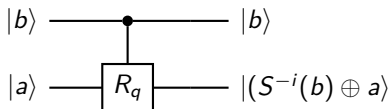


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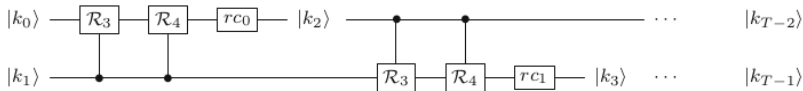


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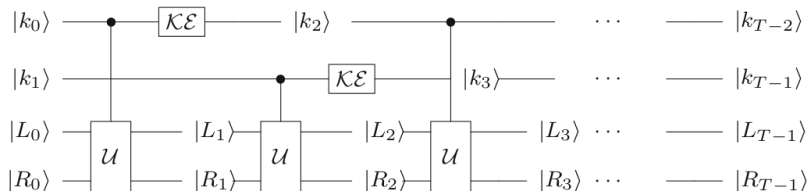


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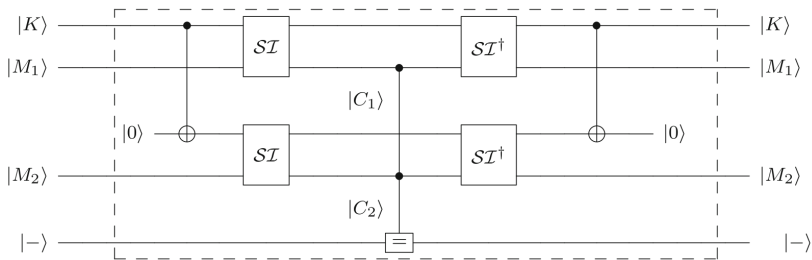


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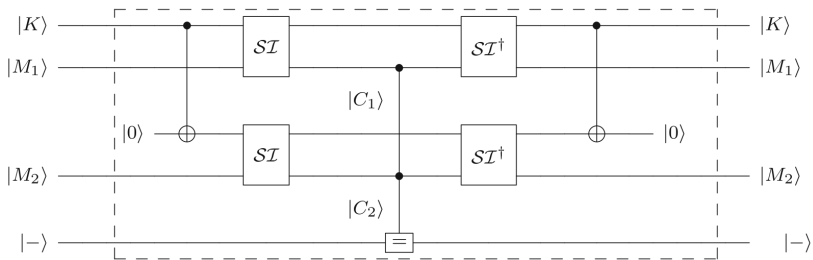
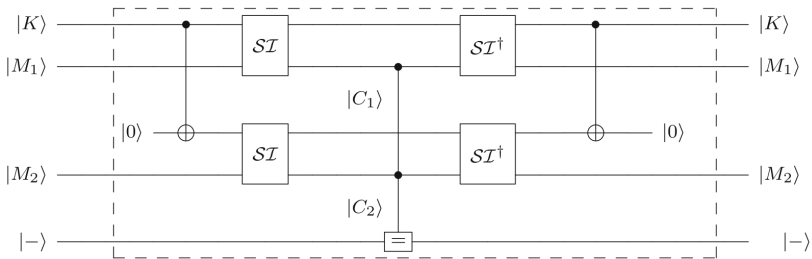


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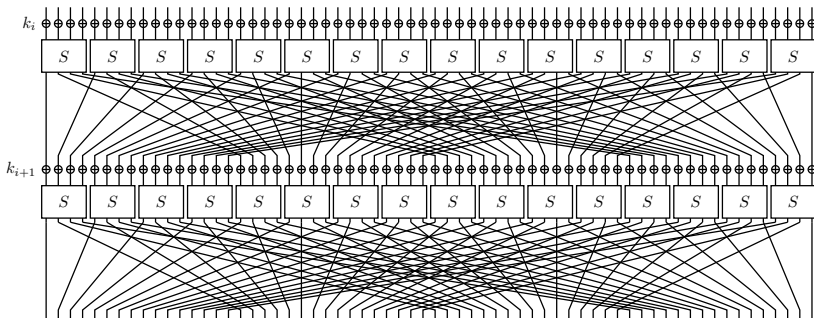


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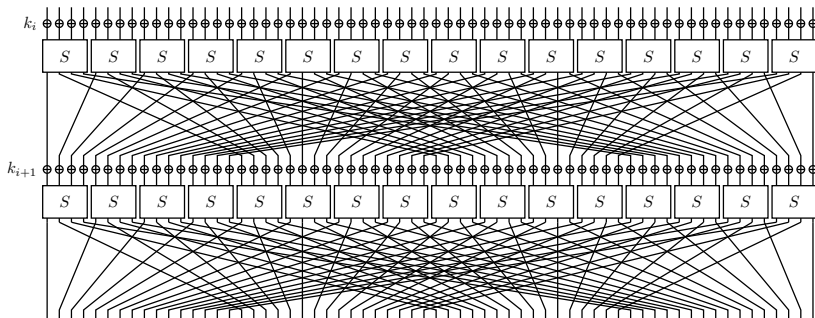
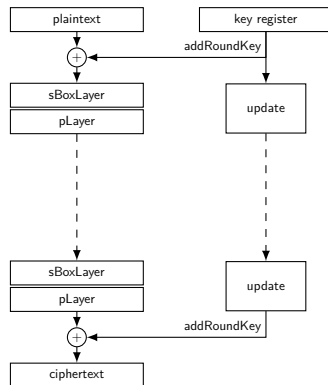


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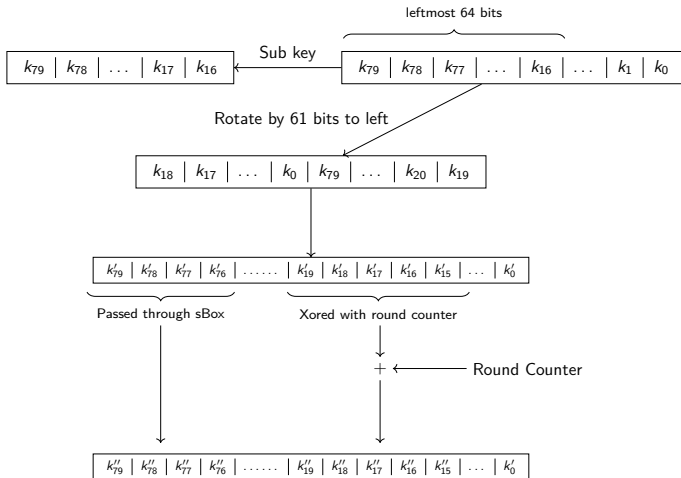
## Pseudo-code

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generateRoundKeys()  
for  $i = 1$  to 31 do  
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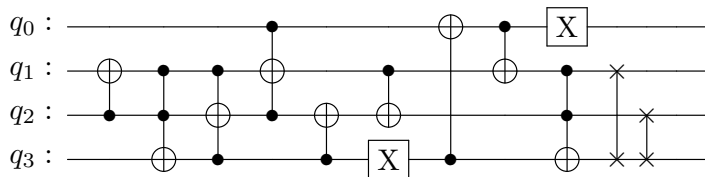


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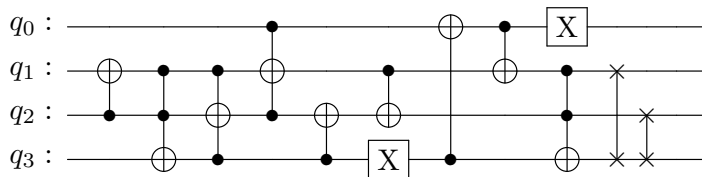


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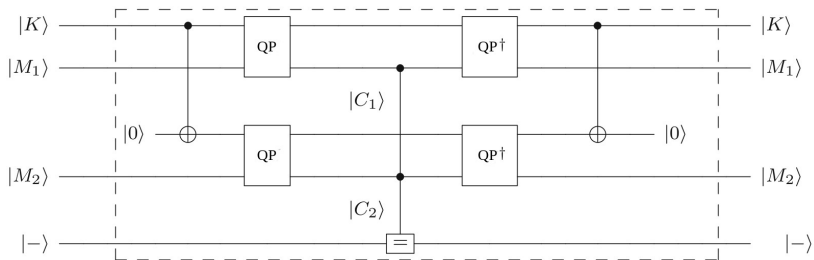


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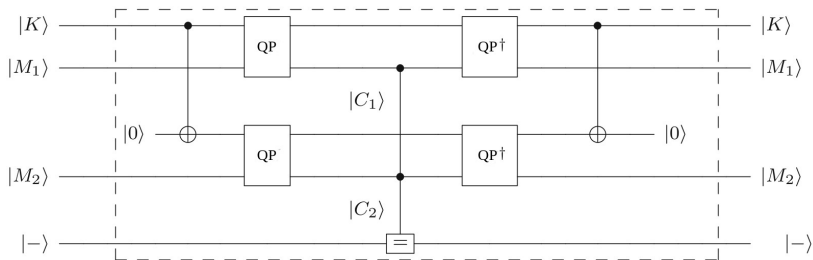


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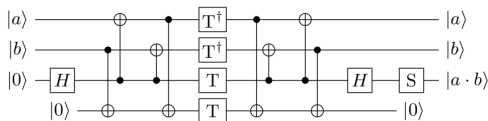


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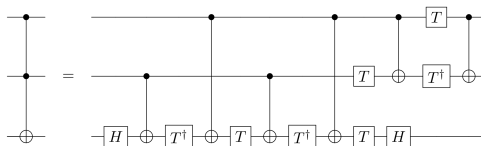
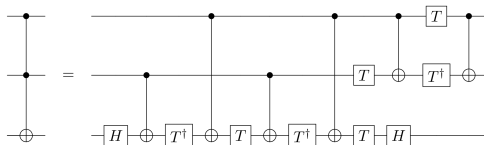
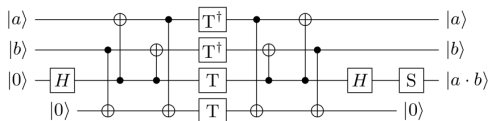


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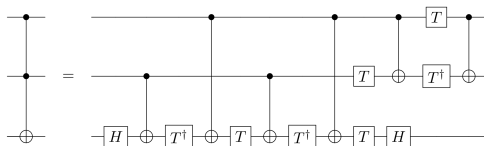
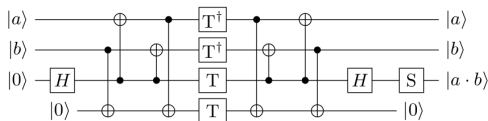
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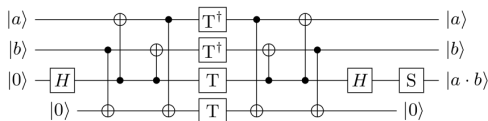


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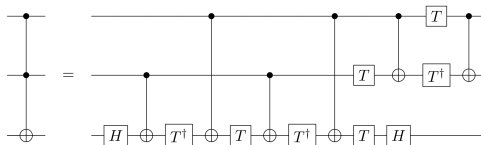


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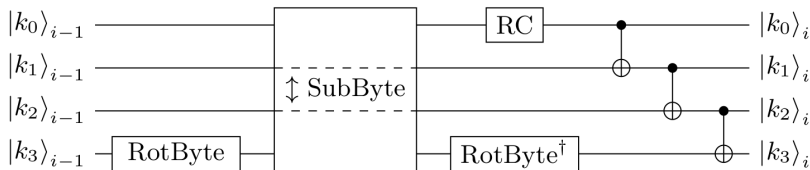


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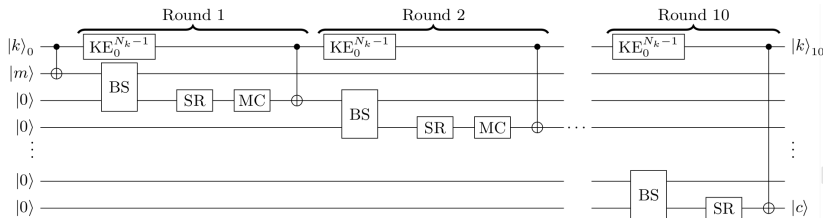


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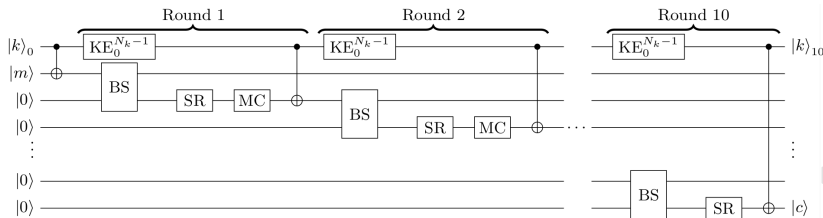


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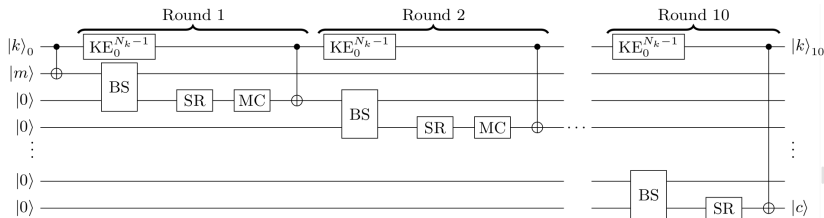


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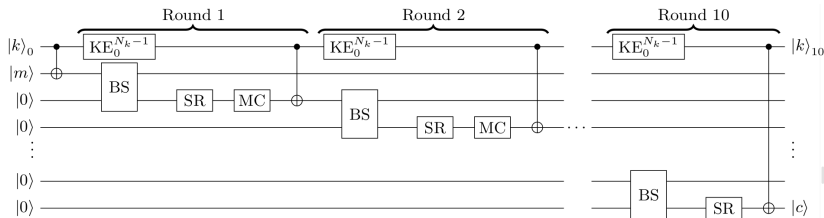


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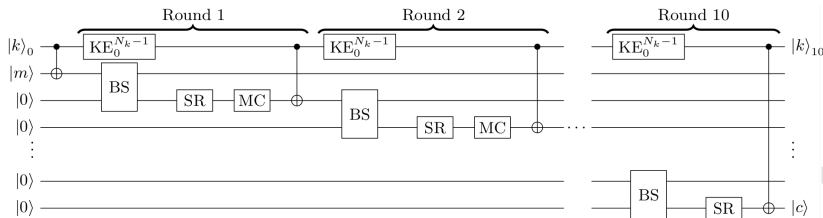


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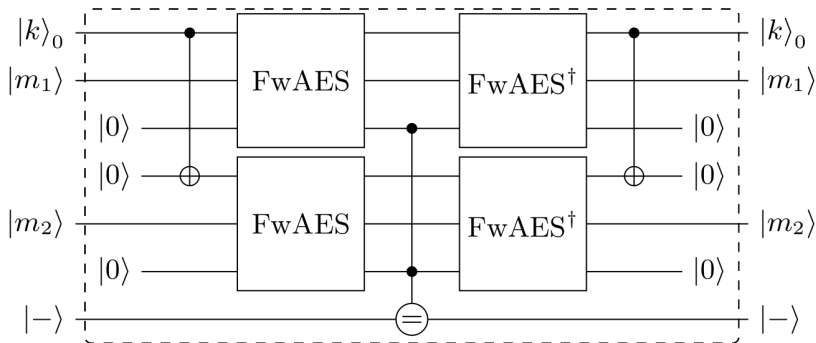


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