

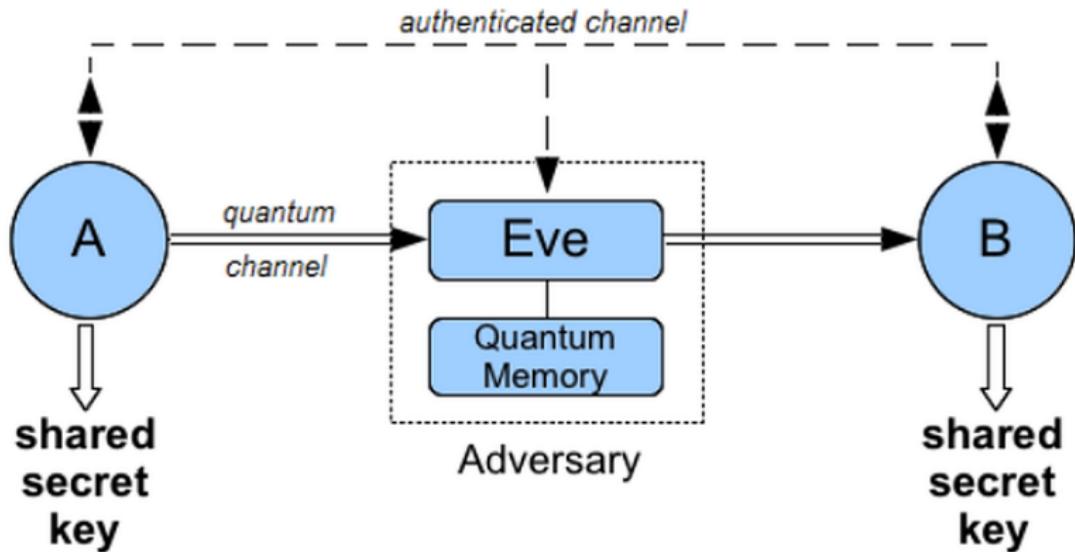
High-Dimensional SQKD

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- ▶ Proposed a high-dimensional semi-quantum key distribution protocol
- ▶ Showed how to convert a two-way SQKD protocol to one-way
- ▶ Proved information theoretic security of our protocol



Quantum Key Distribution(QKD)



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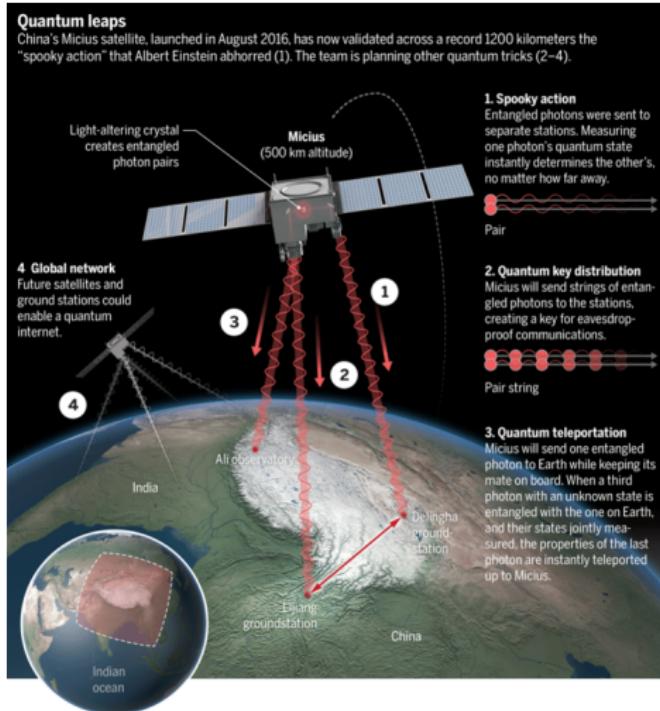


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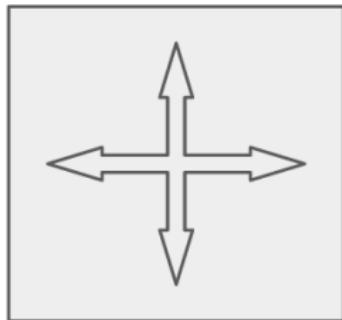
QKD in Practice



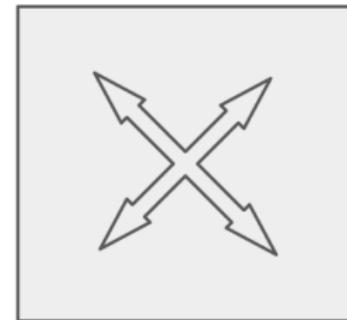
Free Space QKD and Teleportation



A Concrete Example



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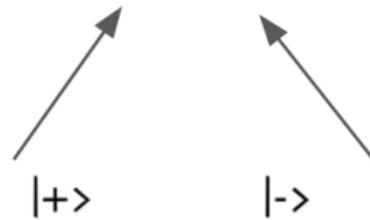


X



$|0\rangle$

$|1\rangle$



$|+\rangle$

$|-\rangle$

0		
1		

Alice's Choices

Alice's secret key: 0101
 Alice's random gates: ZXXZ



Alice



Bob



Eve

Alice's Bit	Alice's gate	Result	Eve's Gate	Result	Bob's Gate	Result	Bob's Bit
1							N/A

QKD: All parties have advanced quantum capabilities.
What if Bob can't measure in the X basis?

Semi-Quantum Key Distribution (Boyer et al., 2007)

Bridge the gap between Classical and Quantum realms

Use less expensive hardware

Fallback option for fully fledged QKD

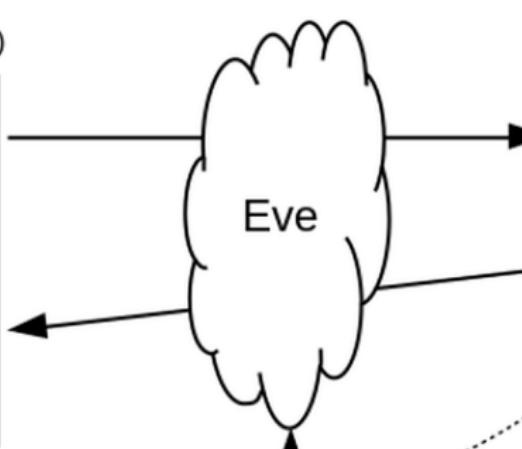
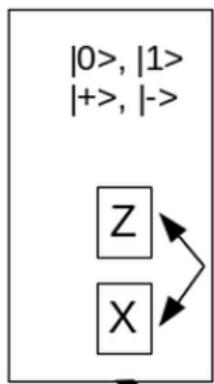


But It's Too...

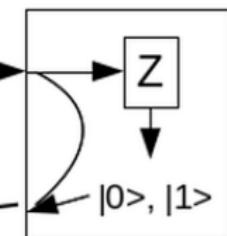


A Concrete Example

Alice
(Fully Quantum)



Bob
(Semi-Quantum)



SQKD

QKD with High-dimensional(HD) systems

Naturally carries more information



More Robust against quantum cloning



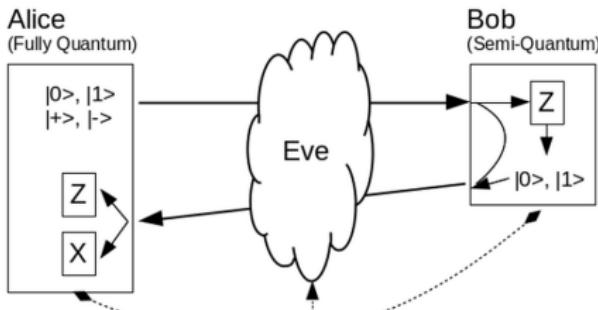
More noise resistant



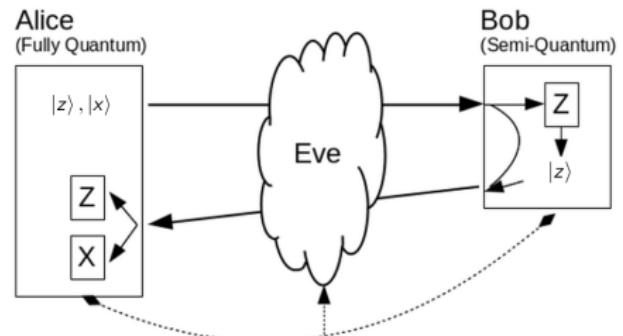
Earlier works on HD-QKD include:

- ▶ High-dimensional quantum key distribution based on mutually partially unbiased bases (Wang et al., 2020)
- ▶ Provably secure and high-rate quantum key distribution with time-bin qudits (Islam et al., 2017)
- ▶ Security proof for quantum key distribution using qudit systems (Sheridan et al., 2010)

Can we use HD-systems in SQKD scenario?



SQKD: $|0\rangle, |1\rangle, |+\rangle, |-\rangle$ are two dimensional.



HD-SQKD: $|z\rangle = \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle \dots |N-1\rangle\}$,
 $|x\rangle = \mathcal{F}\{|0\rangle, |1\rangle \dots |N-1\rangle\}$ where \mathcal{F} is Quantum Fourier transformation.

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Is It Secure?

A key is secure if Alice's and Bob's keys are the same and Eve has no knowledge about it.

Let a joint state among Alice, Bob and Eve be:

$$\rho_{ABE}^{real} = \sum_{k_A, k_B \in \{0,1\}^m} Pr(k_A, k_B) |k_A\rangle\langle k_A| \otimes |k_B\rangle\langle k_B| \otimes \rho_E^{(k_A, k_B)},$$

and another desired state be:

$$\rho_{ABE}^{ideal} = \frac{1}{2^m} \sum_{k \in \{0,1\}^m} |k\rangle\langle k|_A \otimes |k\rangle\langle k|_B \otimes \rho_E.$$

Then the final key k is said to be ϵ -secure if (Ben-Or 2005)

$$\min_{\rho_E} \frac{1}{2} (1 - p_{abort}) \|\rho_{ABE}^{real} - \rho_{ABE}^{ideal}\|_1 \leq \epsilon,$$

where $\|A\|_1 := \text{Tr}(\sqrt{A^\dagger A})$ is the trace norm of A .

By monotonicity of trace distance, this implies (hiding some factors):

$$\delta := \|\rho_{AE}^{real} - \rho_{AE}^{ideal}\|_1 \leq \epsilon$$

Renner (2005) proved the following about the distance :

$$\delta \leq 2^{-\frac{1}{2}(H_{min}(\rho_{AE}|E) - I)},$$

where I is the final length of the key.

He also proved that if $H(\cdot)$ is the Von Neumann entropy, A, B, E are the memory registers of Alice, Bob and Eve respectively, then if:

$$I \lesssim n \left(\min_{\sigma_{AB} \in \Gamma} H(A|E) - H(A|B) \right),$$

where Γ is the set of bipartite density operators for which the protocol does not abort, then the protocol is ϵ' -secure.

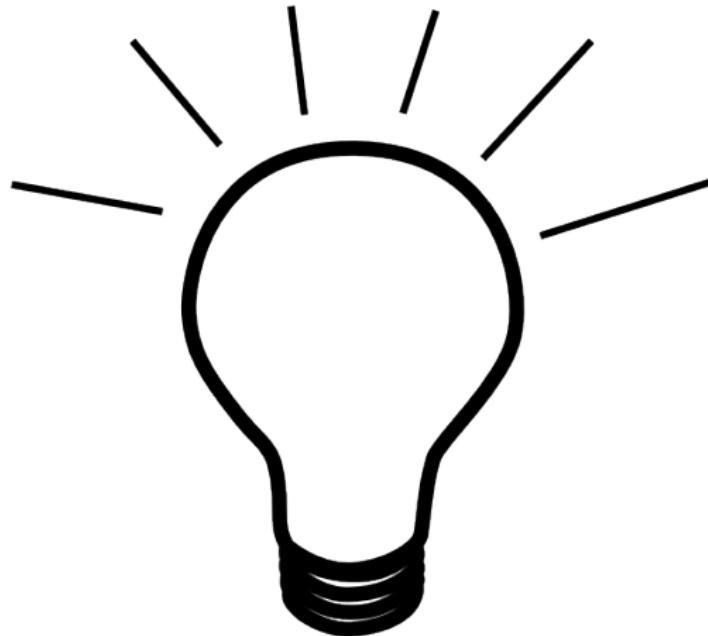
The key-rate of a protocol is defined as:

$$\text{key-rate} := \frac{I}{n} = \min_{\sigma_{AB} \in \Gamma} H(X|E) - H(X|Y)$$

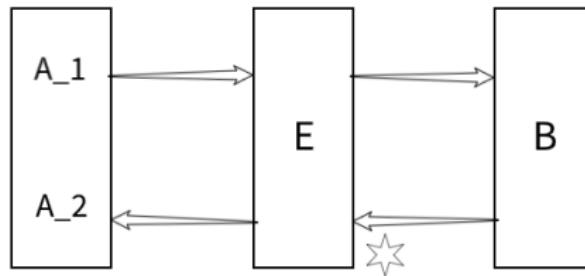


Problem: Two-way SQKD analysis and density matrix computation is too complex

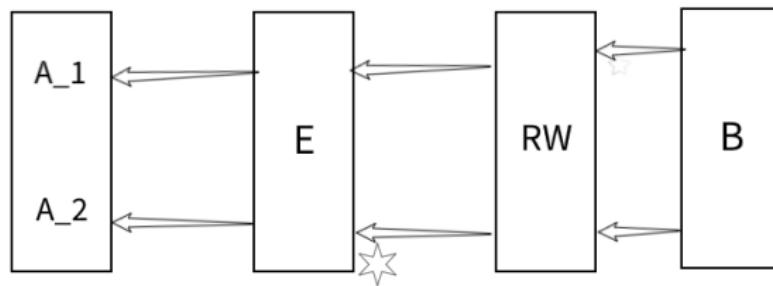




Solution: Reduction to One Way Protocol



Two-Way SQKD



One-Way SQKD

HD-SQKD	OW-SQKD
1. A prepares $ z\rangle$ or $ x\rangle$, sends to Bob	1. Bob prepares and sends $ \phi_R\rangle$ or $ \phi_{MR}\rangle$ if he wants to reflect or measure respectively
2. Eve attacks with U_F	2. Eve attacks with U
3. Bob measures or resends in \mathcal{Z} basis	3. Alice measures A_1 and A_2 registers in \mathcal{Z} or \mathcal{X} basis
4. Eve attacks with U_R	
5. Alice measures the returning n qubits in the preparation basis	

$$|z\rangle \in \{|0\rangle, |1\rangle, \dots, |N-1\rangle\}, |x\rangle = \mathcal{F}|z\rangle \quad (1)$$

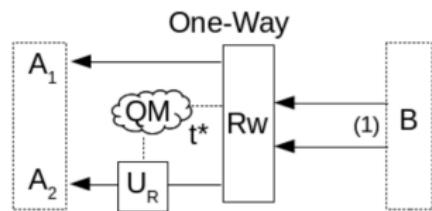
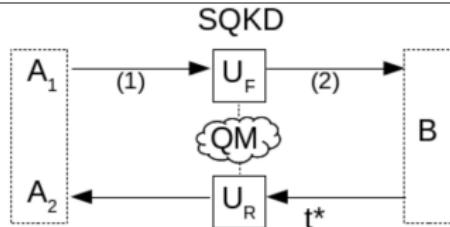
$$|\phi_R\rangle = \sum_{b=0}^{2^n-1} \sqrt{p(b)} |b, b\rangle_{A_1 A_2} \otimes |0\rangle_B \quad (2)$$

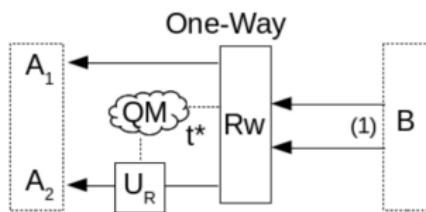
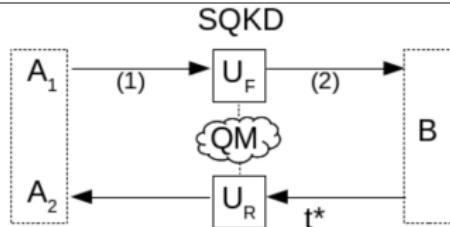
$$|\phi_{MR}\rangle = \sum_{b=0}^{2^n-1} \sqrt{p(b)} |b, b, b\rangle_{A_1 A_2 B} \quad (3)$$

Theorem

Let (U_F, U_R) be a collective attack against HD-SQKD. Then, there is an attack against the OW-SQKD protocol such that, Eve gets no advantage in either scenario.

Proof

HD-SQKD**OW-SQKD**

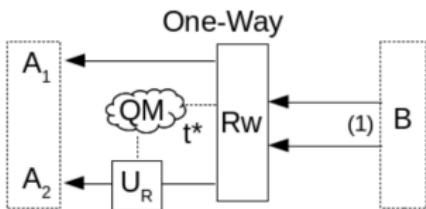
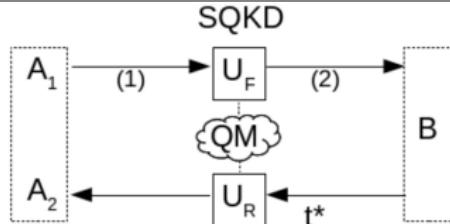
HD-SQKD**OW-SQKD**

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_a |a, a\rangle$$

$$|\phi\rangle = \sum_{b=0}^{N-1} \sqrt{p(b)} |b, b, b\rangle_{A_1 A_2 B}$$

HD-SQKD

OW-SQKD



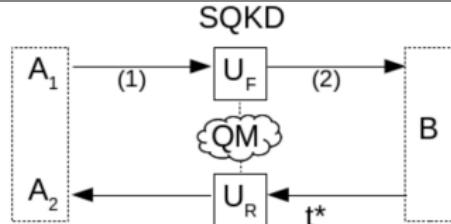
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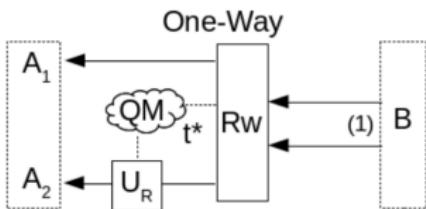
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HD-SQKD



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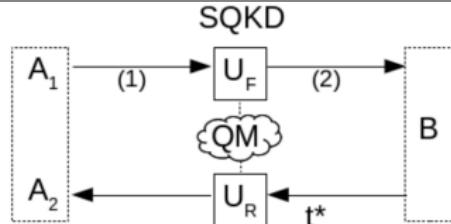
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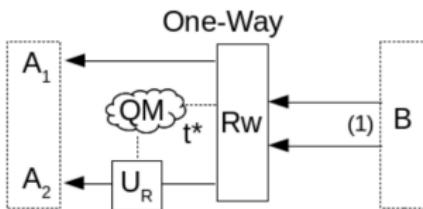
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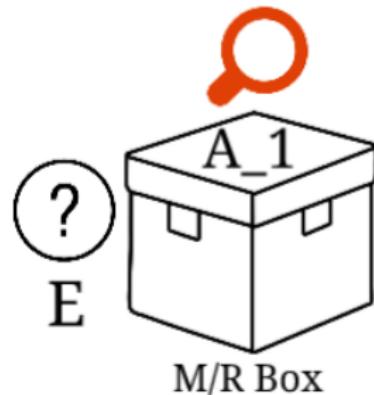
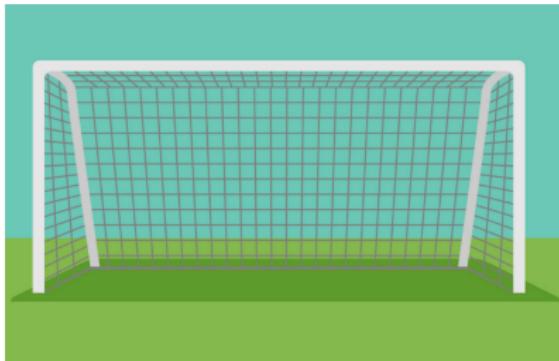
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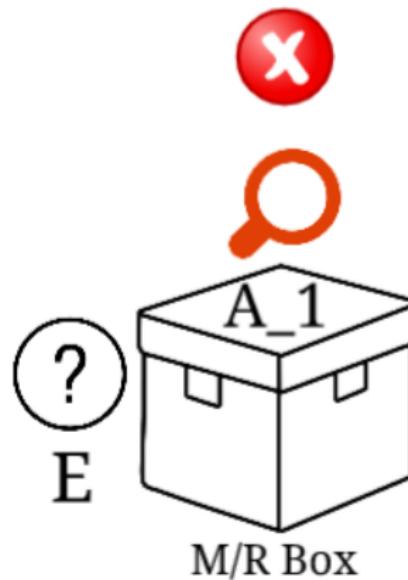
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$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_a |a\rangle_{A_1} \sum_b |b, e_{ab}, b\rangle_{A_2 EB}$$

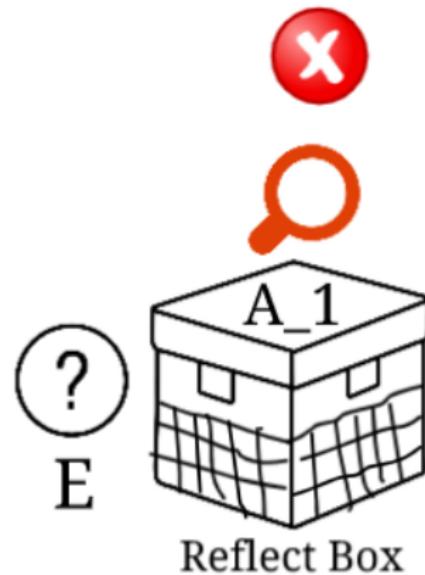
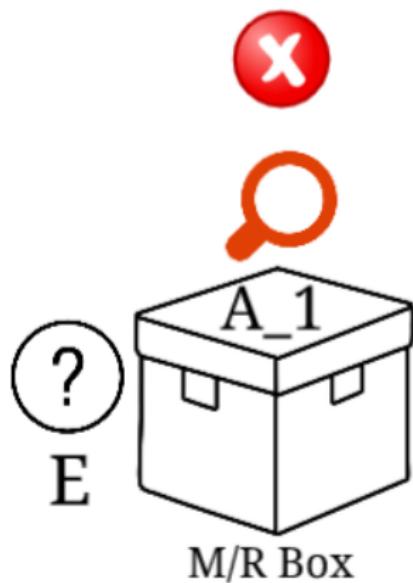
Key-rate Computation



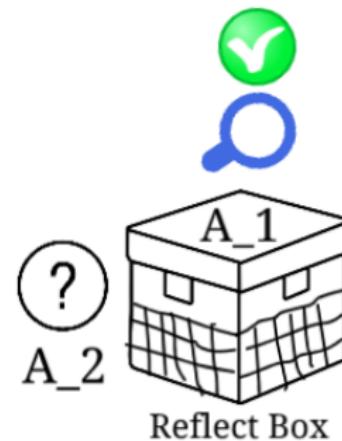
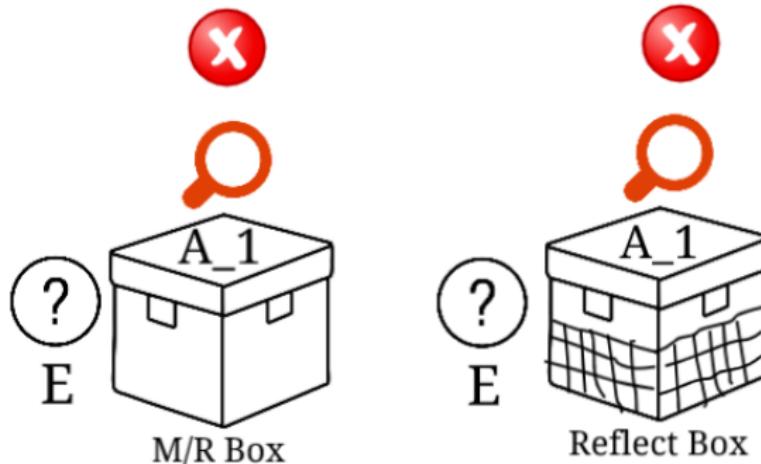
Our goal is to upper bound Eve's uncertainty about Alice's register in measure/resend (M/R) case.

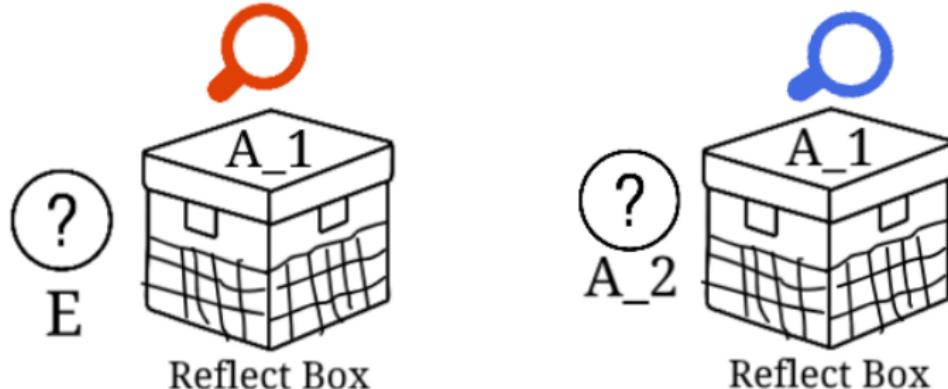


But it's not observable!



It doesn't get easier.

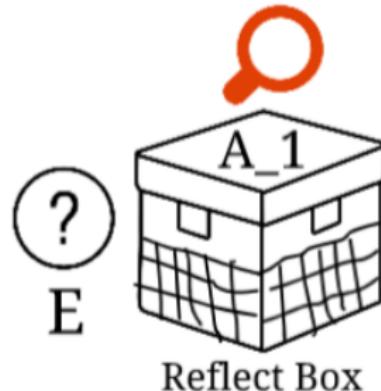
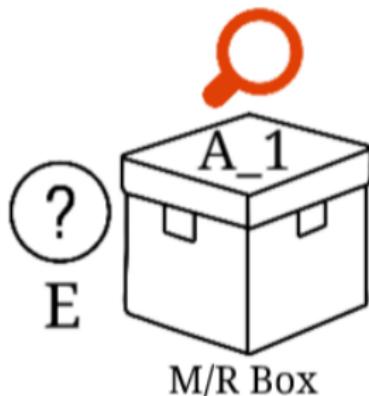




Eve and A_2 's uncertainty about A_1 has a lower bound (Berta et al. (2009))

Formally, for any density operator $\rho_{A_1 A_2 E}$ and two measurements Z and F ,

$$H(A_1^Z | E) + H(A_1^F | A_2) \geq \log_2 \frac{1}{c}$$

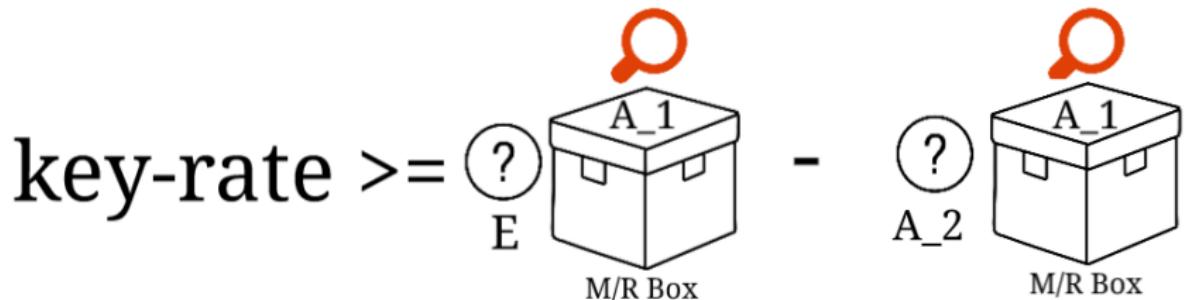


Eve's uncertainty about Alice's same measurement about both of the boxes is lower bounded by how different the boxes are. (Winter, 2005)

For states ρ and μ on a Hilbert space $A \otimes E$, if

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\rho - \mu\| \leq \delta \leq 1 \text{ then}$$

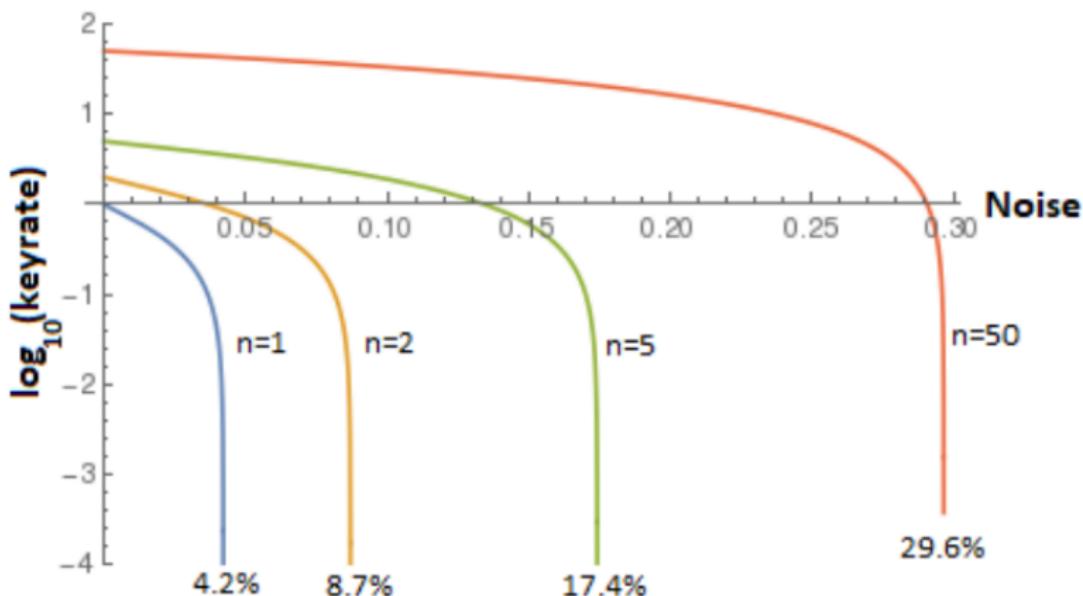
$$|H(A_1^Z|E)_\rho - H(A_1^Z|E)_\mu| \leq 2\delta \log |A_1^Z| + (1 + \delta)h\left(\frac{\delta}{1 + \delta}\right)$$



In our case, this is:

$$\text{key-rate} \geq f(n, \delta, Q, Q_F),$$

where, n is the number of qubits sent, δ is the trace distance, Q and Q_F are noise in both direction and noise in the forward direction only.



Key-rate of our HD-SQKD protocol

ALICE SENDS A MESSAGE TO BOB
SAYING TO MEET HER SOMEWHERE.

UH HUH.

BUT EVE SEES IT, TOO,
AND GOES TO THE PLACE.

WITH YOU SO FAR.

BOB IS DELAYED, AND
ALICE AND EVE MEET.

YEAH?



I'VE DISCOVERED A WAY TO GET COMPUTER
SCIENTISTS TO LISTEN TO ANY BORING STORY.

