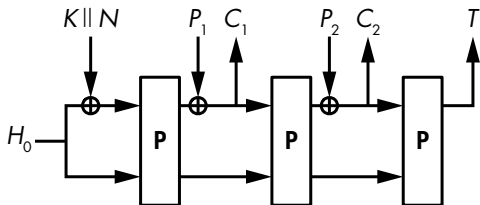


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CRYPTOGRAPHY



Lecture 22

Authenticated Encryption + Computationally Hard Problems

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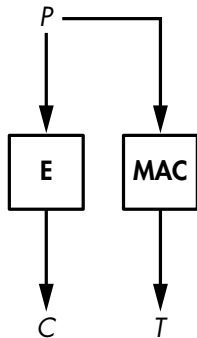
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Two Goals – Privacy + Authenticity

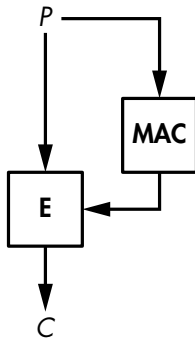
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- ▶ Recently concluded CAESAR competition

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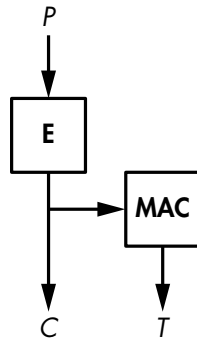
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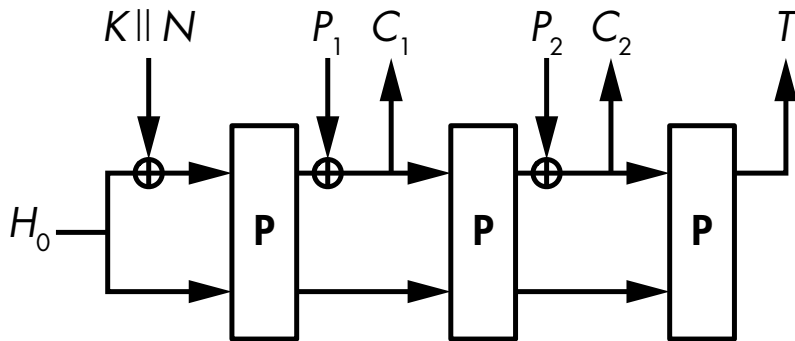


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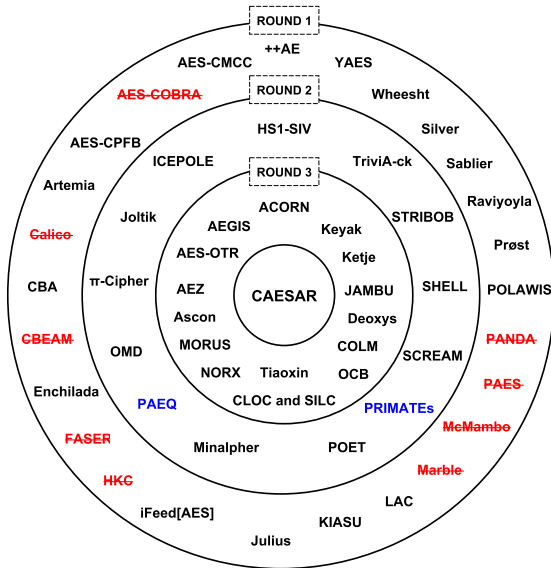
- ▶ E&M
- ▶ MtE
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- ▶ AEAD - AE with Associated Data
- ▶ Nonce based AE
- ▶ RUP - Release of Unverified Plaintexts
- ▶ And many more



Permutation Based AE

CAESAR Competition



- ▶ ACORN
- ▶ AEGIS
- ▶ Ascon
- ▶ COLM (Two Indian Designers)
- ▶ Deoxys-II
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The approximate number of operations done by an algorithm as a function of its input size.

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Linear Search $O(n)$

```
search(x, array, n):  
    for i from 1 to n {  
        if (array[i] == x) {  
            return i;  
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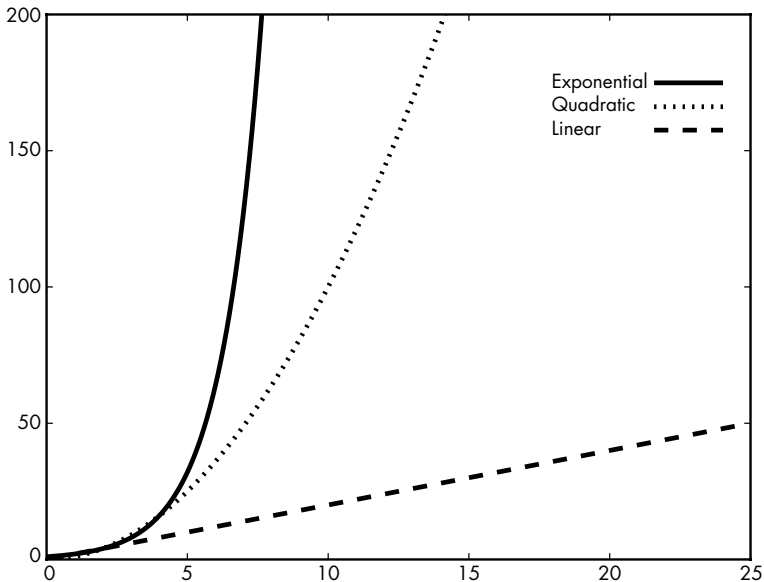
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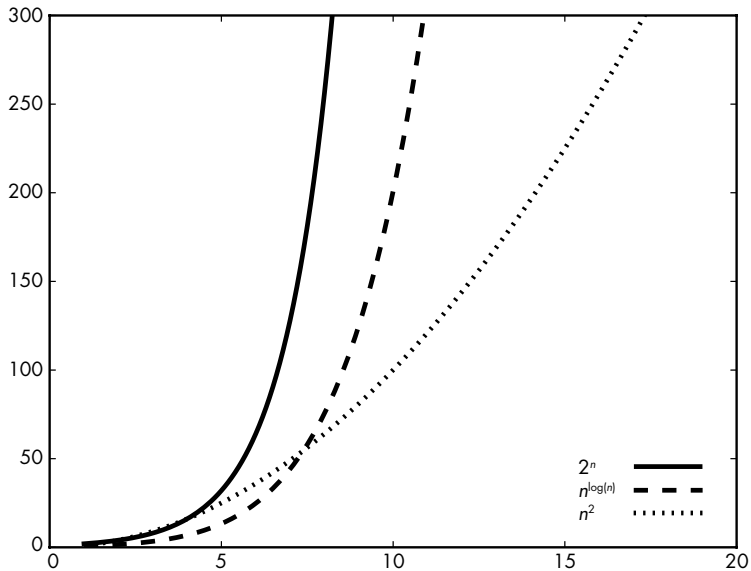
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