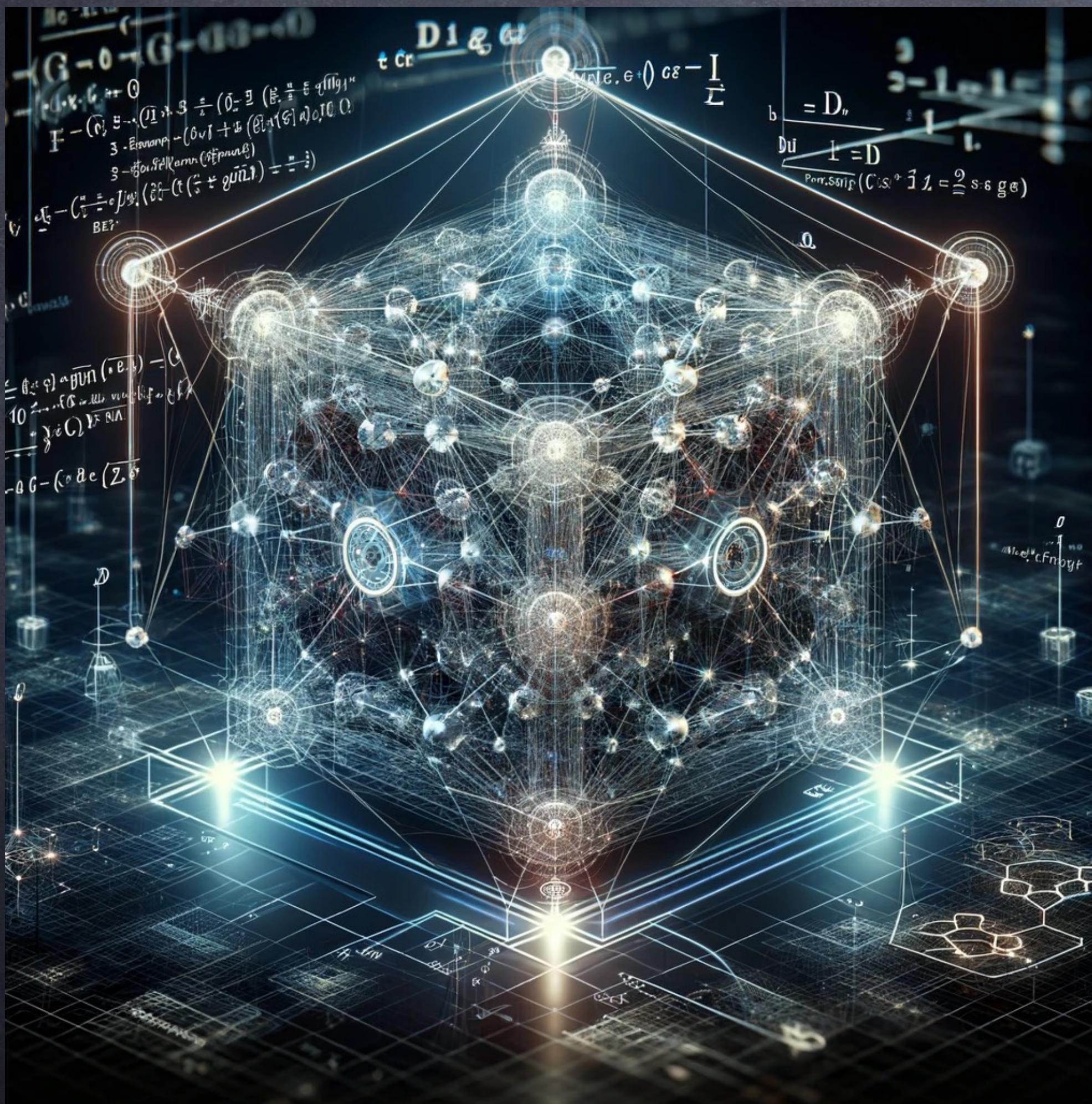


Post-quantum Cryptography



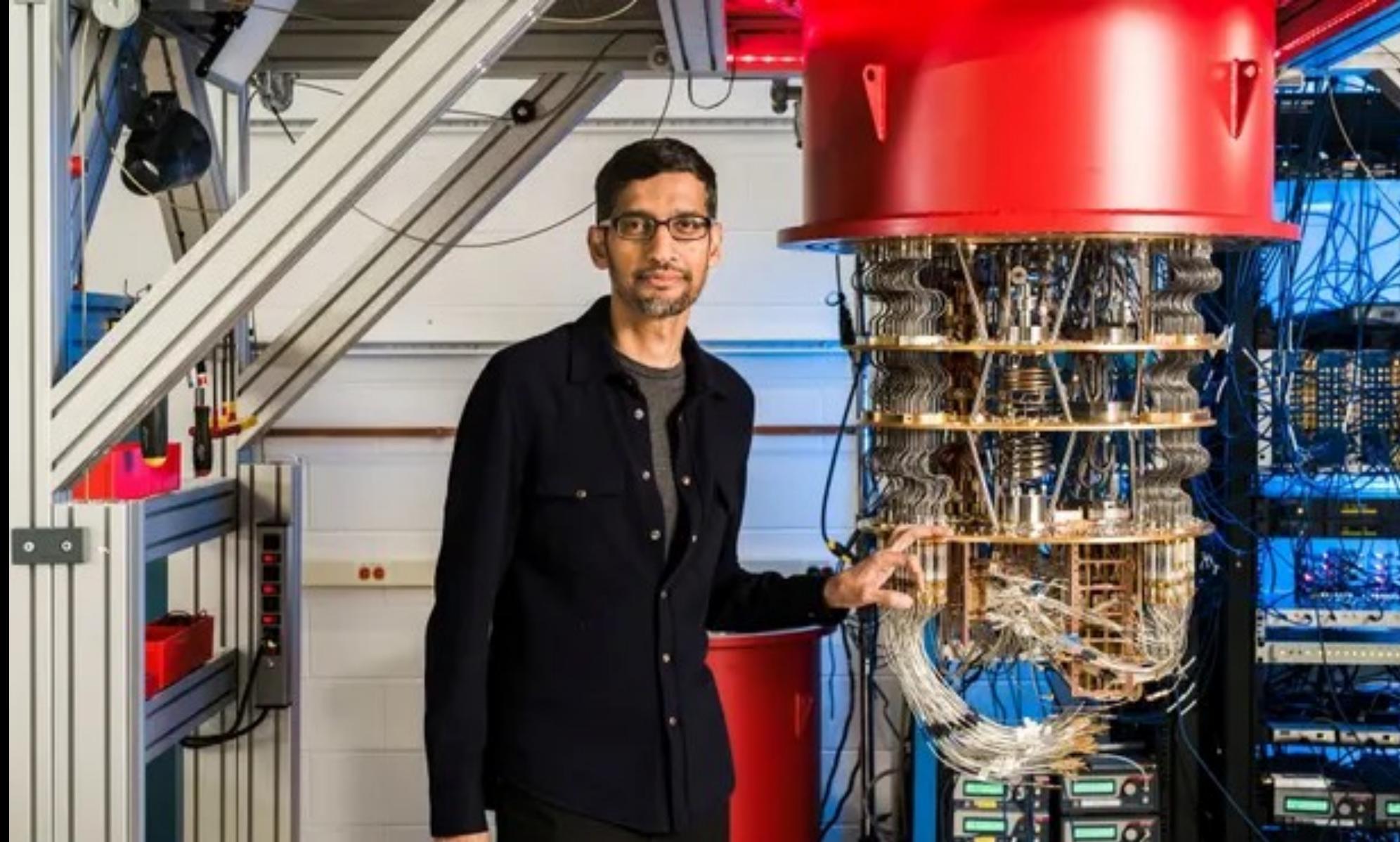
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Quantum threat



[Sundar Pichai](#) (CEO Google)
Sycamore (53 qubits)



Generation 1
Currently in production

100 QUBITS Today
200 QUBITS Coming Soon

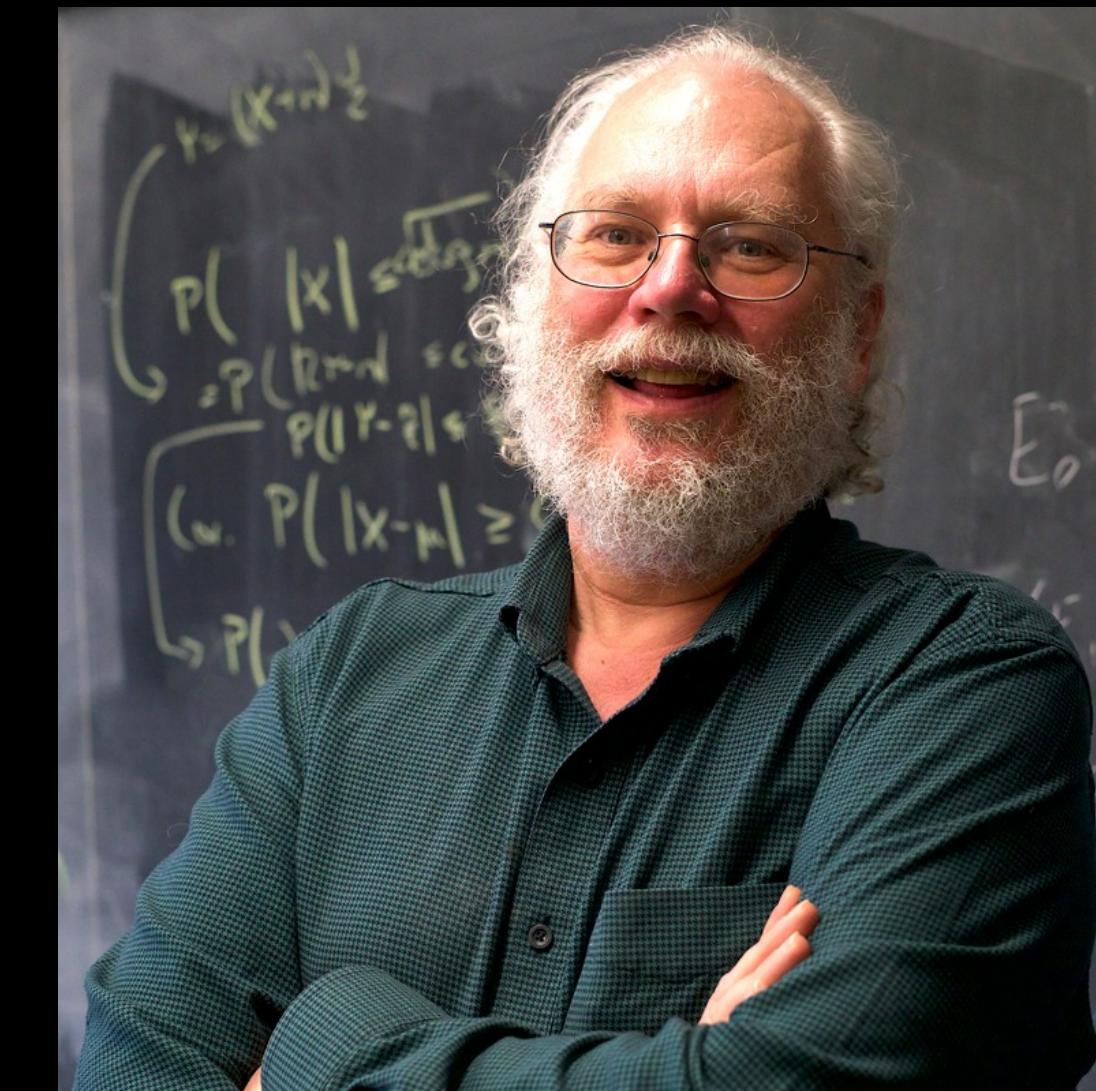
Generation 2
Currently in research & development.

1,000 QUBITS

Quantum Polynomial-Time for Factoring (1994)

- RSA2048

- Classic \approx 400 years
- Quantum \approx hours



Peter Shor (MIT)

Risk status

Scaling IBM Quantum technology



Risk status - cont'd

How to factor 2048 bit RSA integers in 8 hours using 20 million noisy qubits

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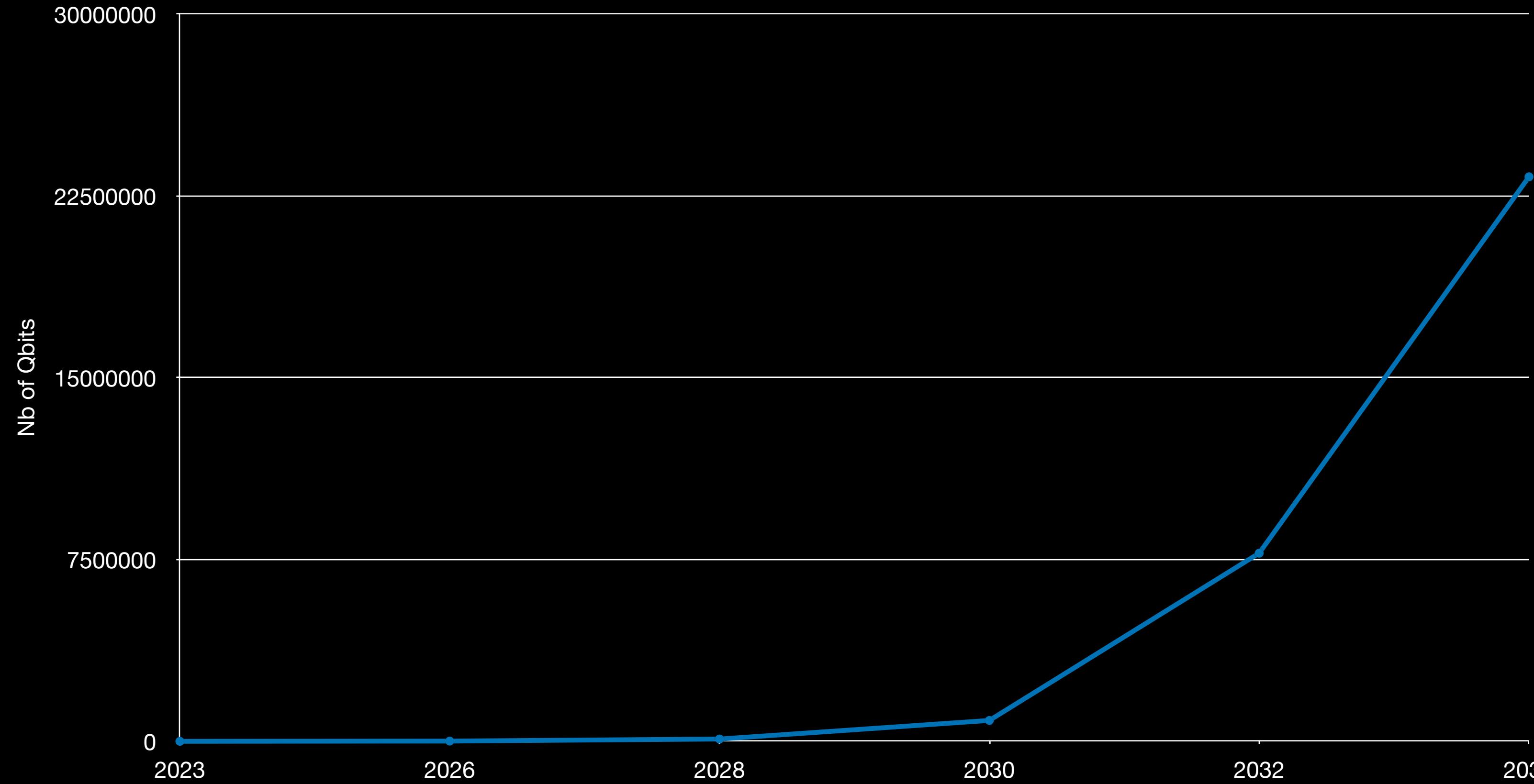
Swedish NCSA, Swedish Armed Forces, SE-107 85 Stockholm, Sweden

n	n _e	Parameters					Retry Risk	Volume		Qubits per run (megaqubits)	Runtime per run (hours)
		d ₁	d ₂	δ _{off}	c _{mul}	c _{exp}		(megaqubitdays) per run	expected		
1024	40	15	27	5	5	5	1024	6%	0.5	0.5	9.7
2048	40	15	27	4	5	5	1024	31%	4.1	5.9	20
3072	40	17	29	6	4	5	1024	9%	19	21	38
4096	40	17	31	9	4	5	1024	5%	48	51	55
8192	40	19	33	4	4	5	1024	5%	480	510	140
12288	3(n/2 - 1)	19	33	3	4	5	1024	12%	1700	1900	200
16384	3(n/2 - 1)	19	33	4	4	5	1024	24%	3900	5100	270

Risk status - cont'd

Paranoid estimates

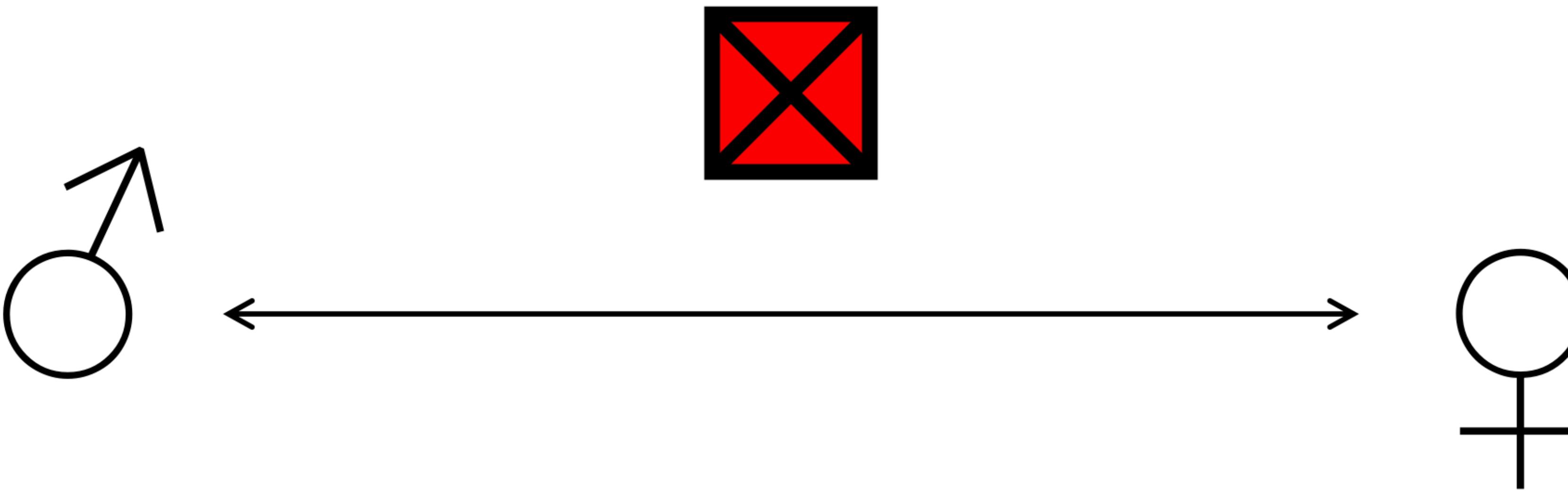
- Breaking RSA1024 ≈ 8 years
- Breaking RSA2048 ≈ 9 years



Store now, decrypt later



Key-Exchange Problem

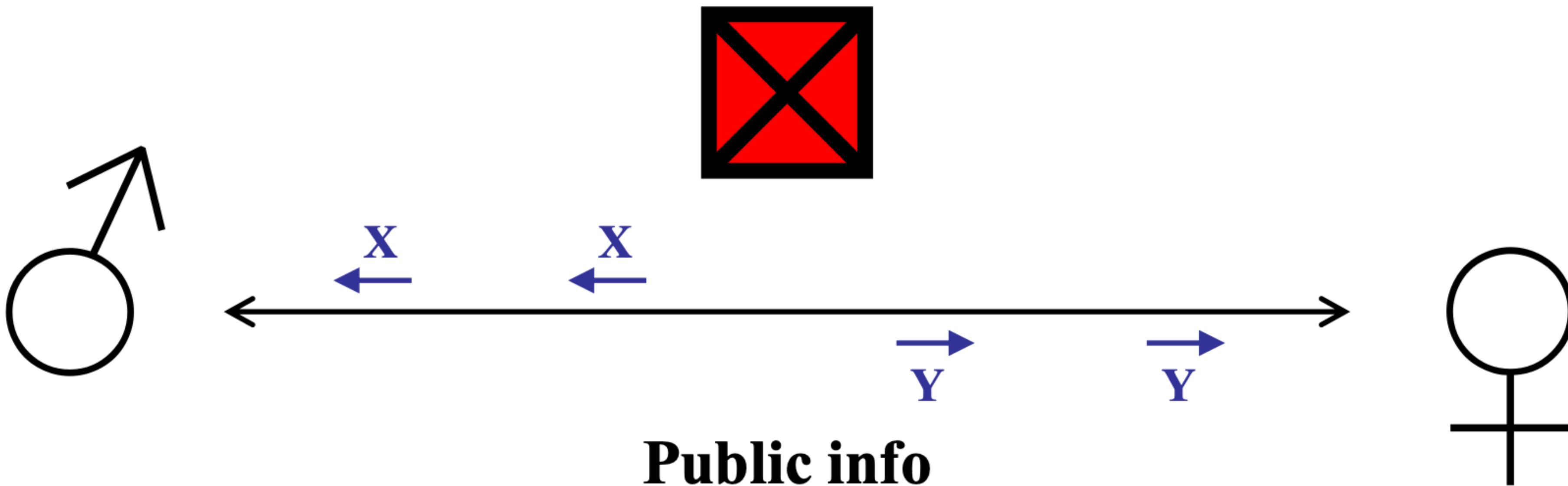


One-way function

$y = f(x)$ easy to compute

$f^{-1}(y) = x$ difficult to determine

Classical Diffie-Hellman (1976)



$y \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ random
 $Y \equiv g^y \pmod{m}$

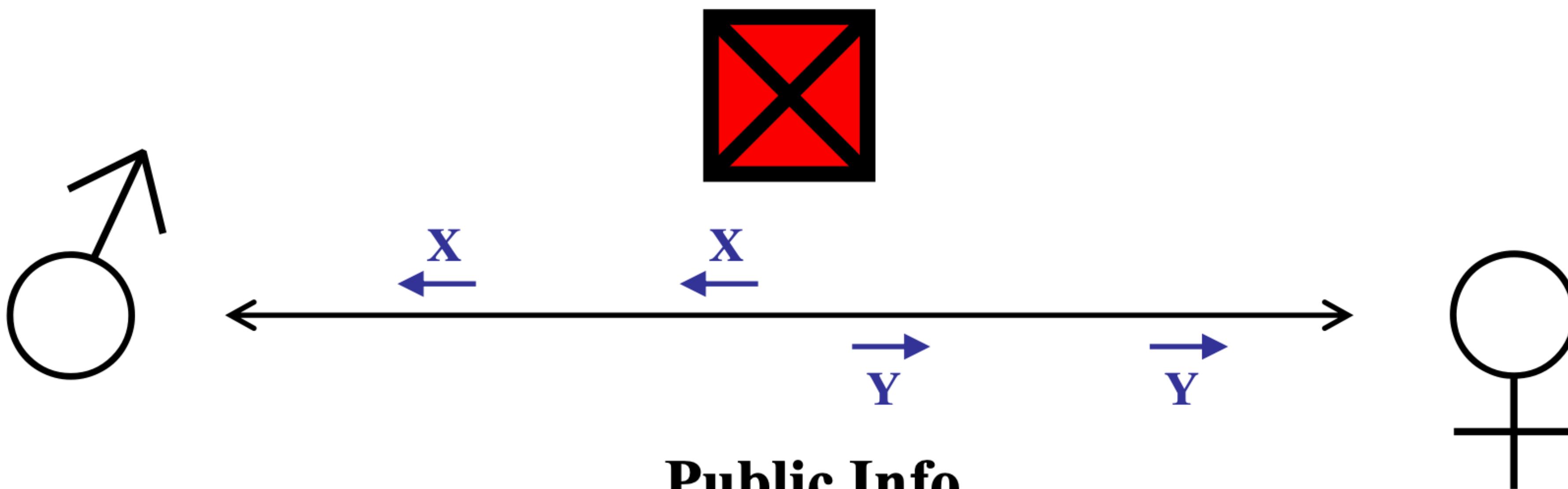
Public info
m: large prime
 $1 < g < m$

$x \in \mathbb{Z}_m$ random
 $X \equiv g^x \pmod{m}$

$$k' = X^y = (g^x)^y = g^{xy} = (g^y)^x = k$$

To Break: Solve discrete log problem

Non-commutative Diffie-Hellman

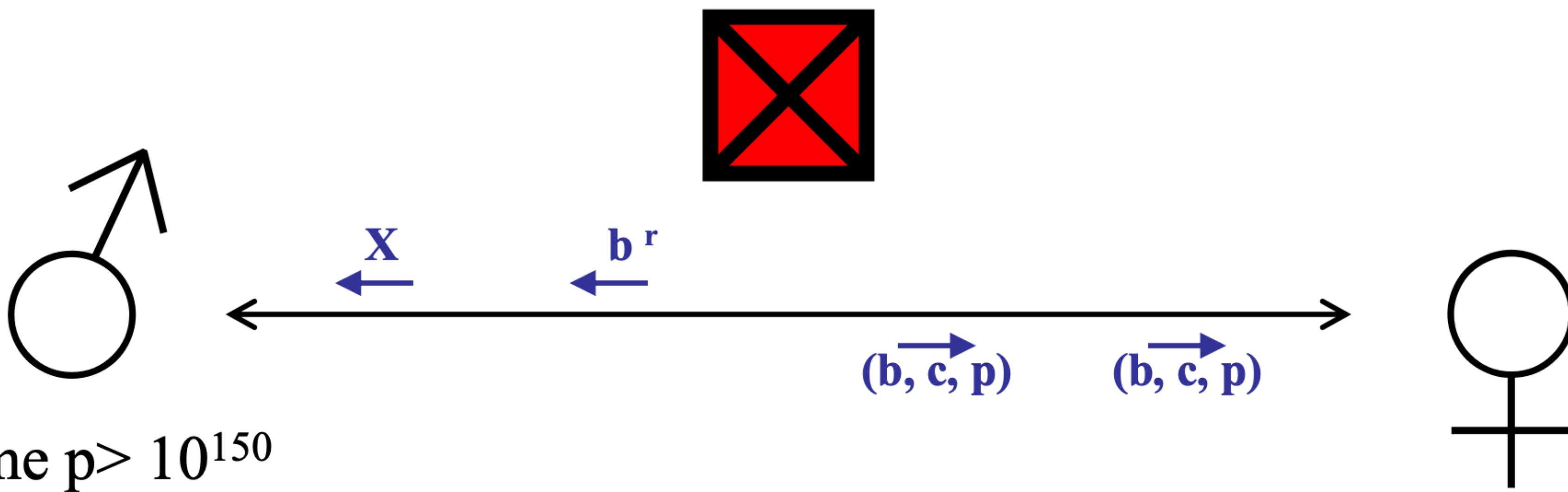


G : non-abelian f.g. group with solvable WP

$y \in T$ $g \in G; S, T < G$ s.t. $[S, T] = \{1\}$ $x \in S$

$Y = g^y = y^{-1} g y$ $X = g^x = x^{-1} g x$

Classical ElGamal



Prime $p > 10^{150}$

Primitive root $b \bmod p$

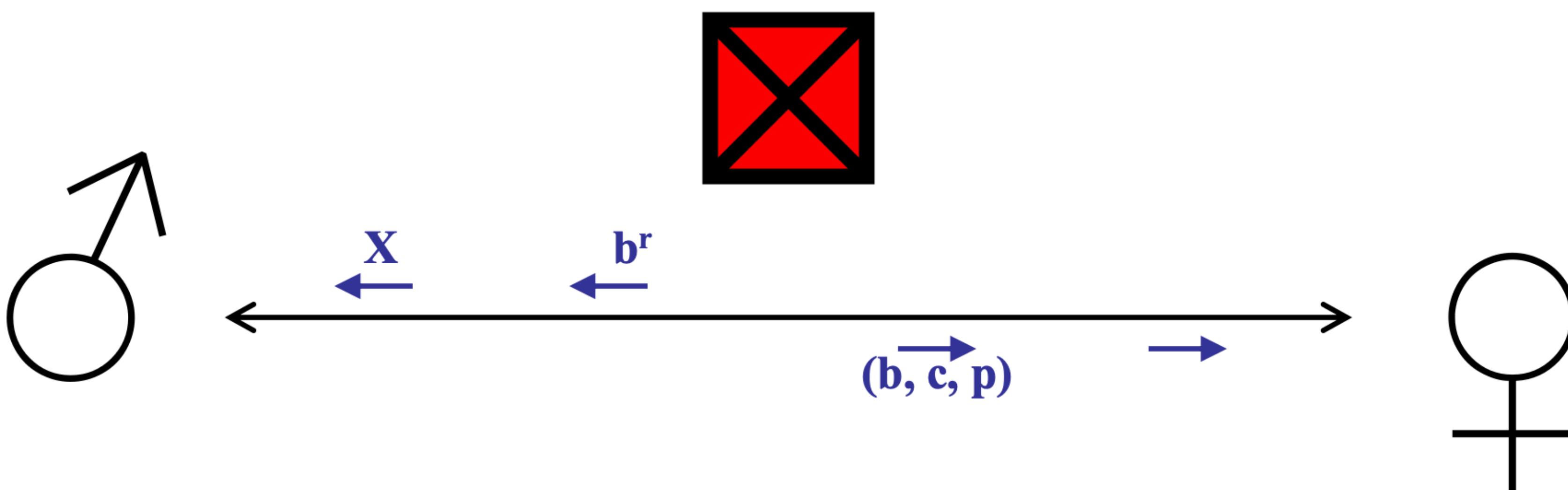
Choose $1 < c < p$

$b^l = c \bmod p$

Private key: l

Choose $0 < x < p$
 $X = (x \cdot c^r) \bmod p$
Header b^r

Classical ElGamal



$$(b^r)^l = b^{r.l} = (b^l)^r = c^r \bmod p$$

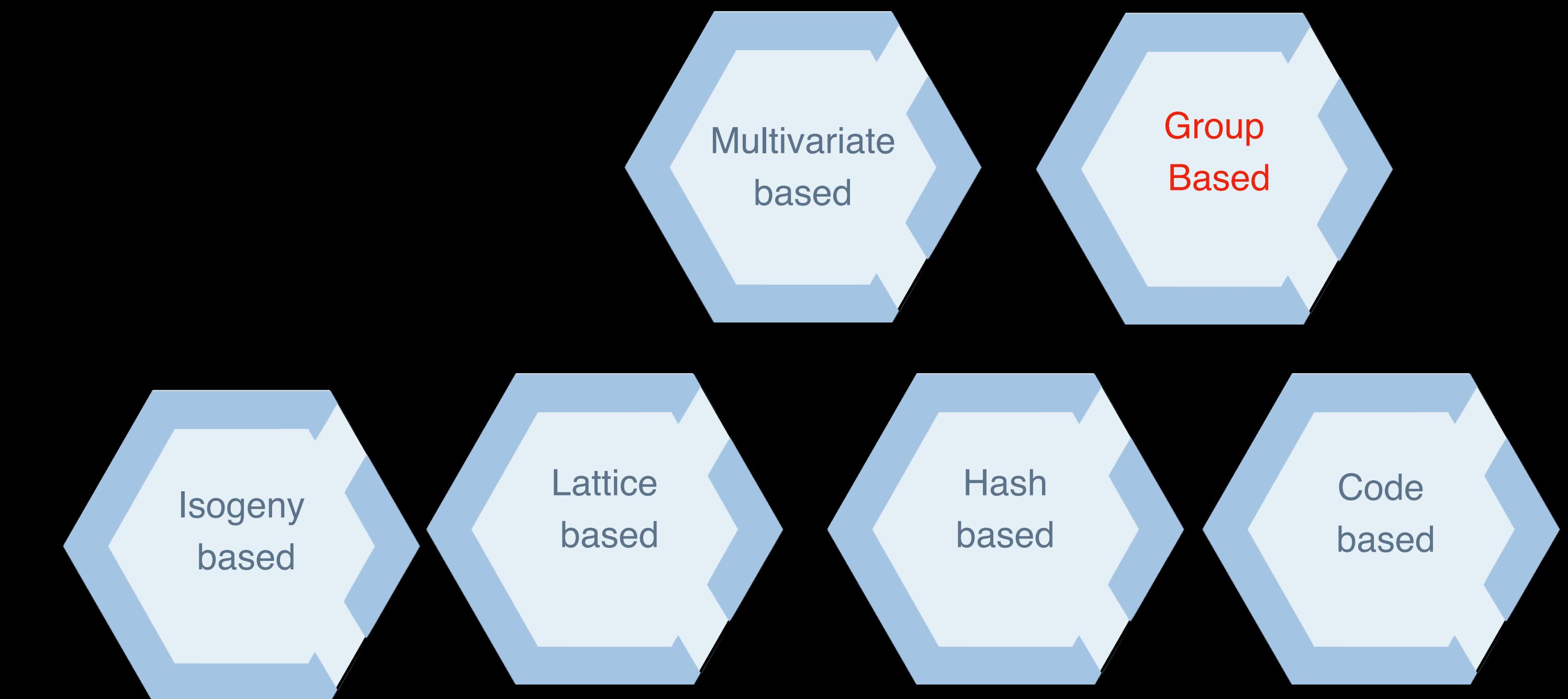
$$X.(c^r)^{-1} =$$

$$x \cdot c^r \cdot (c^r)^{-1} = x \bmod p$$

To break: Solve Discrete Logarithm
Given b, c, p $b^x \equiv c \bmod p$
Determine x

Solutions – PQC

Post-Quantum Cryptography : New hard problems secure against the quantum computer



POST-QUANTUM STANDARDIZATION



National Institute of
Standards and Technology
U.S. Department of Commerce

“Quantum risk is now simply too high and can no longer be ignored”, US NIST, 2016.

ON GOING PROCESS OF NEW QUANTUM RESISTANT CRYPTOGRAPHIC STANDARDS THROUGH NIST

First step of standards : 1 KEM (KYBER) and three DSS
(DILITHIUM, FALCON & SPHINCS+)

NIST round 1 - 2016 - 2018

NIST round 2 - 2019 - 2020

NIST round 3 - 2020 - 2022

NIST round 4- 2022

New call for new DSS

A more and more regulated context



- 01/22 – Memo. on Improving the Cybersecurity of National Security
- 12/22 – Quantum Computing Cybersecurity Preparedness Act
(deadline 2035)
- 03/2023 – National Cybersecurity Strategy

Strategic Objective 3.3 : Shift Liability for Insecure Software
Products and Services
Strategic Objective 4.3 : Prepare for Our Post-Quantum Future

TOMAS LINDAHL
Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2015

“Don’t do what
everybody else is
doing.”



FEATURE ARTICLE

Group-based Cryptography in the Quantum Era

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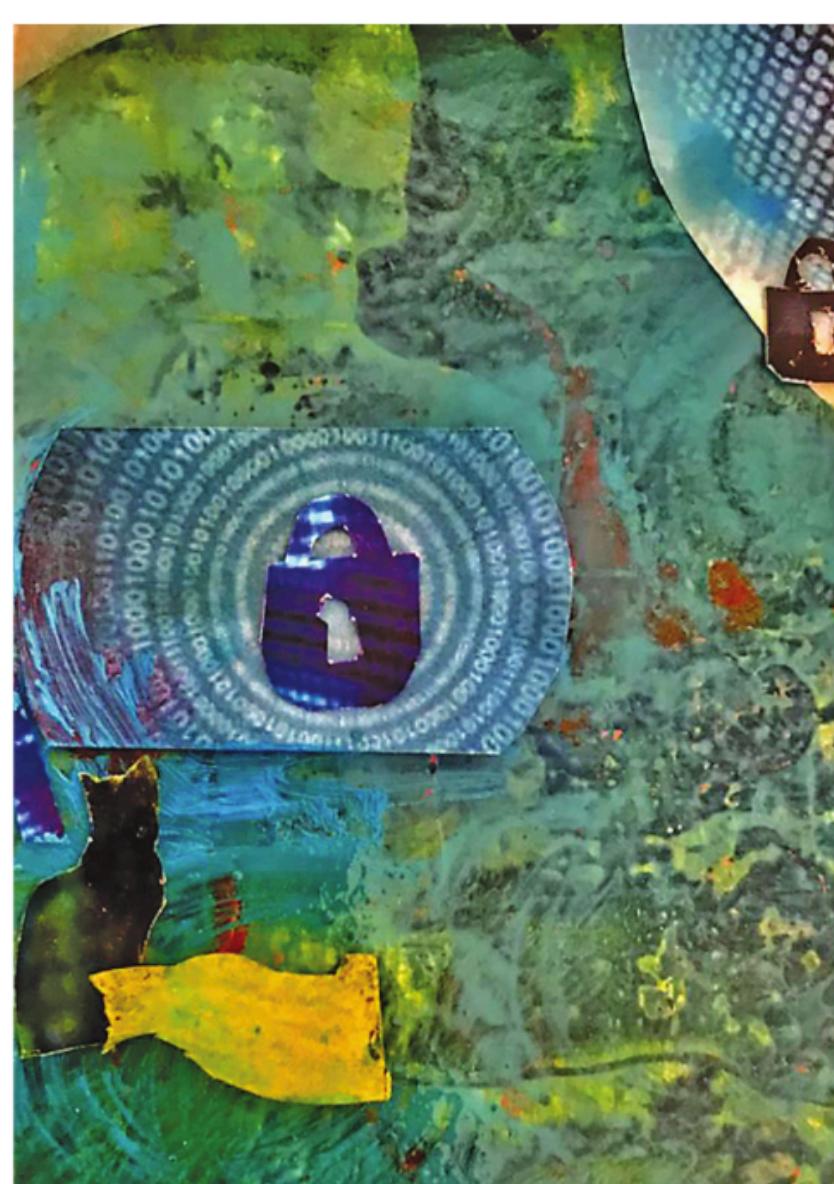
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1. Introduction

Today's digital infrastructure relies on cryptography in order to ensure the confidentiality and integrity of digital transactions. At the heart of these techniques is public key cryptography, which provides a method for two parties to communicate privately, despite the lack of any pre-arranged security keys.



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Post-quantum Group-based Cryptography

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Motivation for Post-quantum Group-based Cryptography

- Relatively understudied family in post-quantum cryptography with potential due to recent results.
- Diverse roster of computational problems, some proved to be NP-hard.
- The Hidden Subgroup Problem for infinite non-abelian groups has been conjectured to be NP-hard (G. Kuperberg).



Platform Groups for PQC

- Graph (RAAG) Groups: Flores, Kahrobaei, Koberda
- Higher Dimensional Special Linear Groups over Finite fields
(Le Coz, Battarbee, Flores, Koberda, Kahrobaei)
- Simple Groups: Ostrovsky, Skeith, Gonzalez, Kahrobaei, McKemmie
- Arithmetic Groups: Kahrobaei, Mallahi-Karai
- Pro-p Groups, Kahrobaei, Stanojkovski
- Polycyclic Groups: Eick, Kahrobaei
- Automaton Groups: Grigorchuk, Grigoriev, Noce, Kahrobaei, Rodaro
- Hyperbolic Groups: Chatterji, Kahrobaei, Lu
- Nilpotent Groups: Kahrobaei, Tortora, Tota
- Engel Groups: Kahrobaei, Noce
- Free nilpotent p-groups: Kahrobaei, Shpilrain
- Small Cancellation Groups: Habeeb, Kahrobaei, Shpilrain
- Free Metabelian Groups: Shpilrain, Zapata, , Kahrobaei, Habeeb
- Semigroup of Matrices over Group-Rings: Kahrobaei, Koupparis, Shpilrain



Algorithmic Group Theoretic Problems used in Cryptography

- Discrete Logarithm Problem
- Subgroup Isomorphism Problem
- Group Homomorphism Problem
- Root Extraction Problem
- Conjugacy Search Problem
- Power Conjugacy Search Problem
- Word Decision Problem
- Endomorphism Search Problem
- Decomposition Search Problem
- Subgroup Membership Problem
- Distorted Subgroup
- Geodesic Length Problem

