

Quantum Money

(and what it really captures)

Part II

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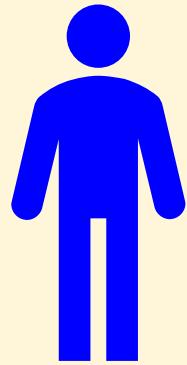
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Talk Plan – 2nd Part

- The quantum delivery verification problem.
- Tokenized signatures.
 - Coset states and classical proofs of quantum information deletion.
- Semi-quantum money.
 - Classical delegation of unclonable state generation (technical).

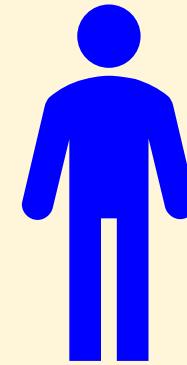
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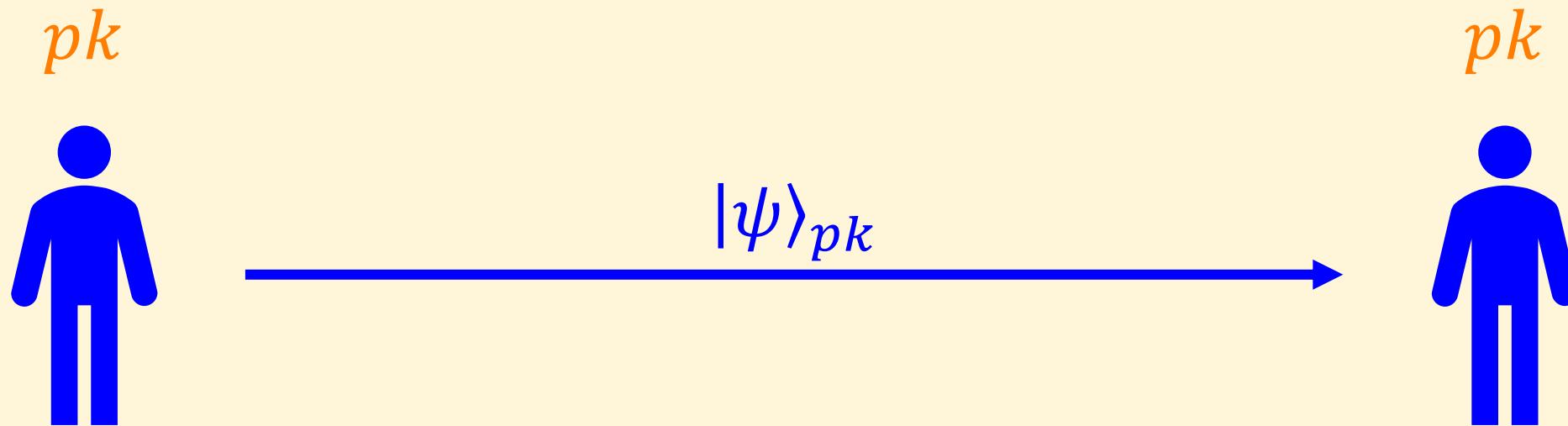
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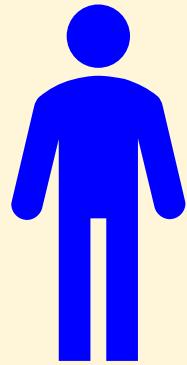
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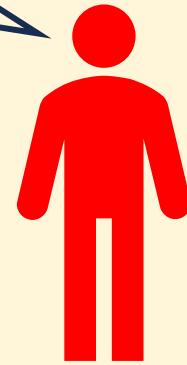
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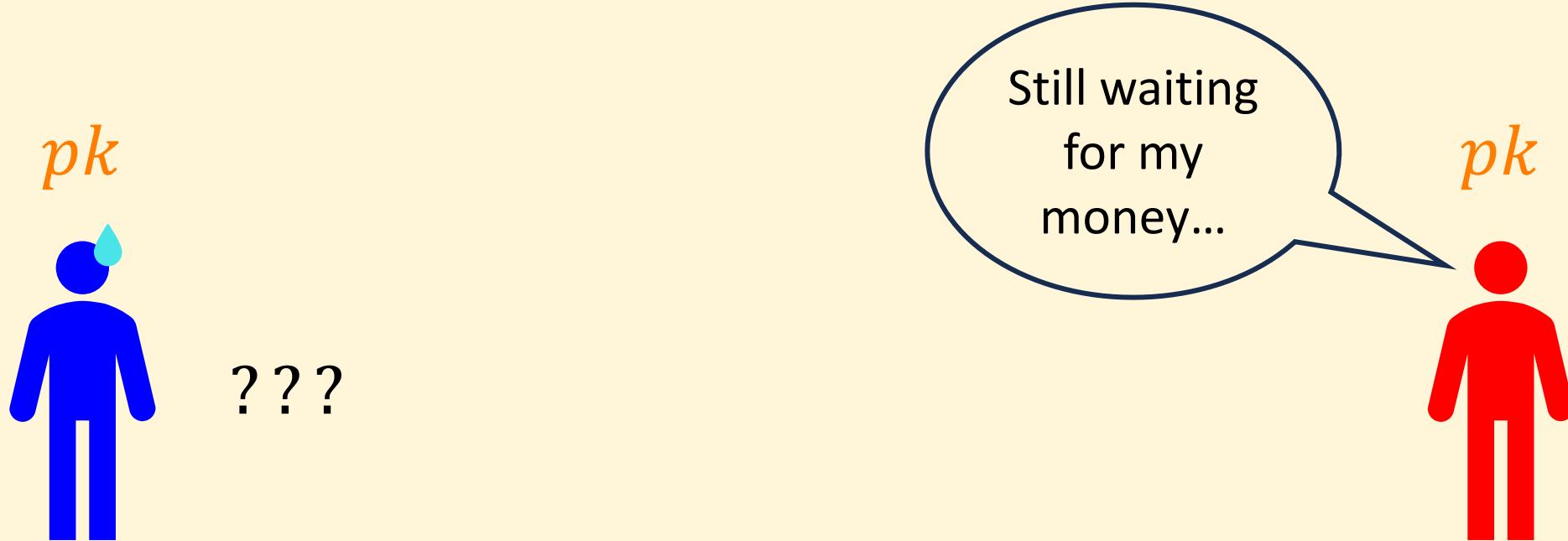
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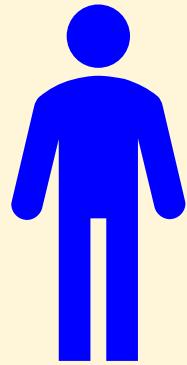


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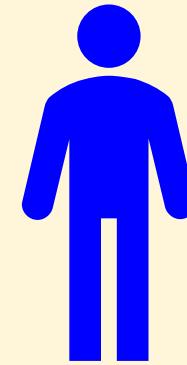
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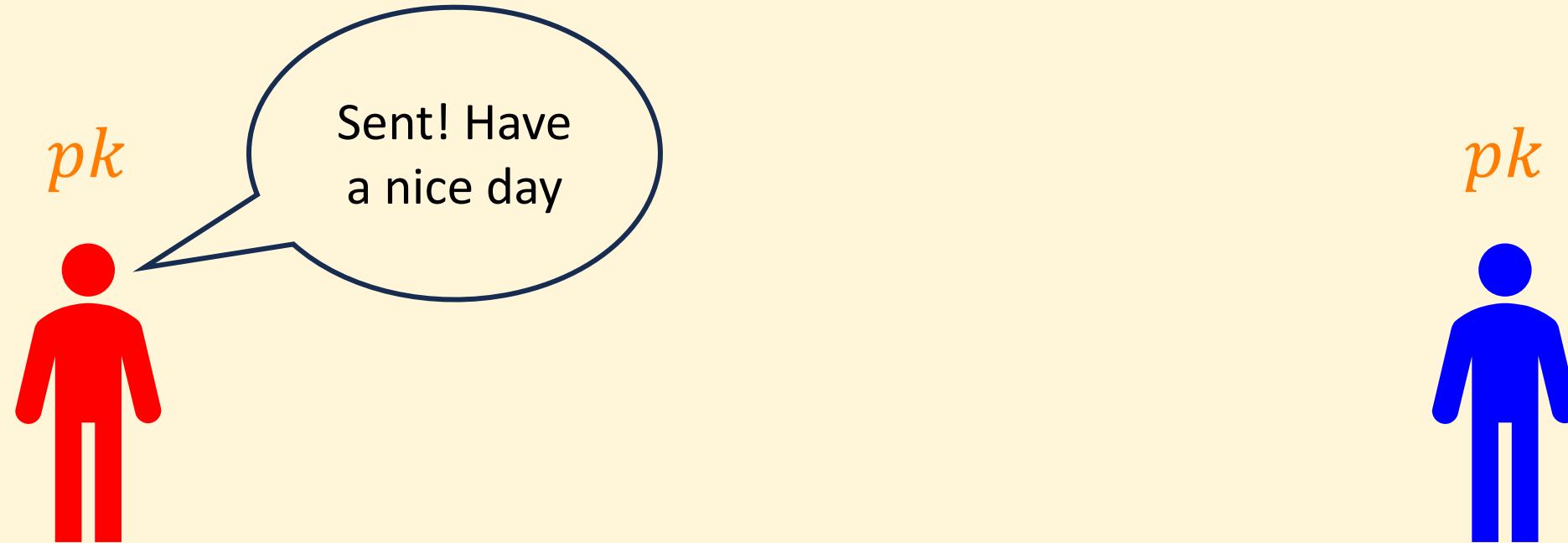
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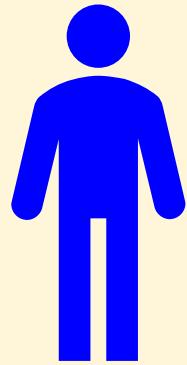


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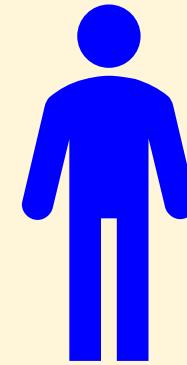
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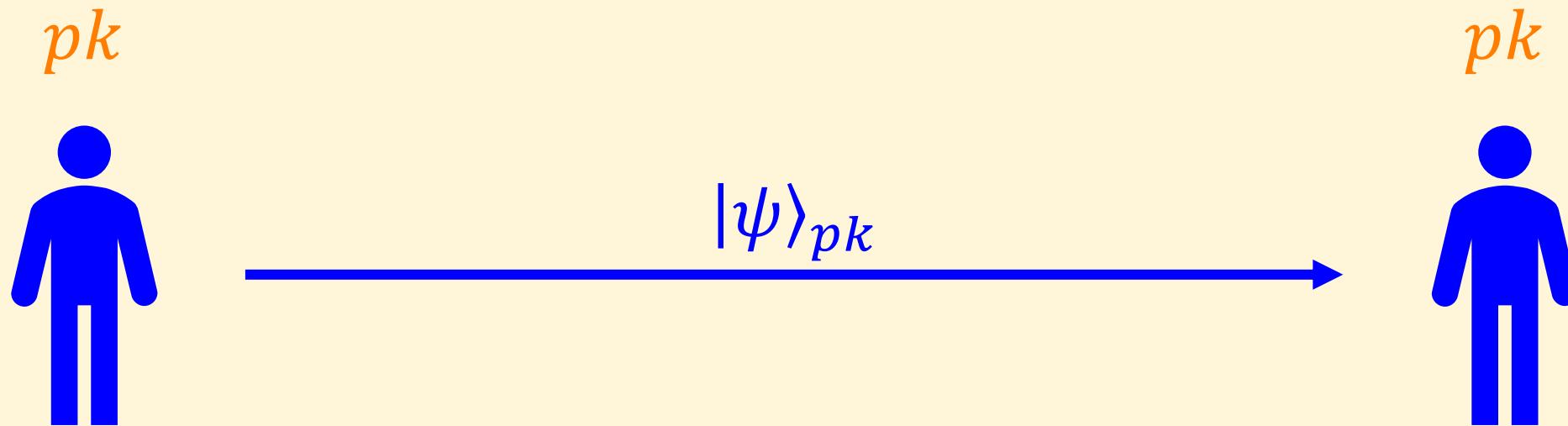
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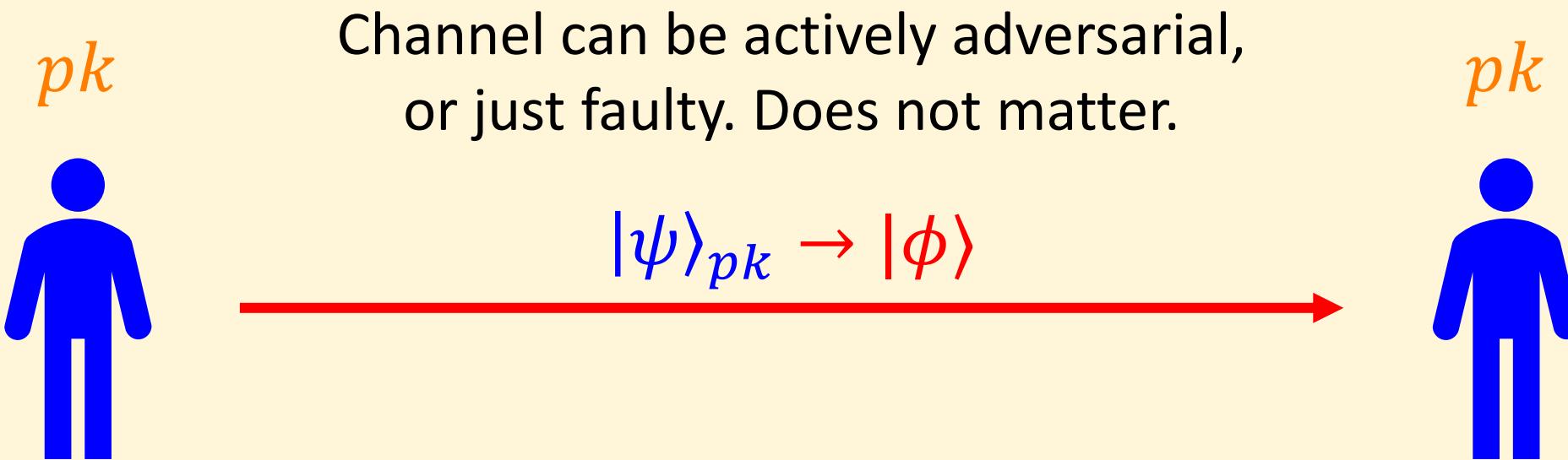
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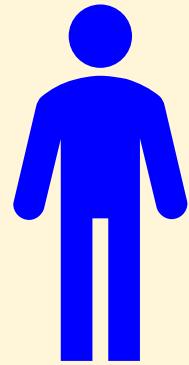
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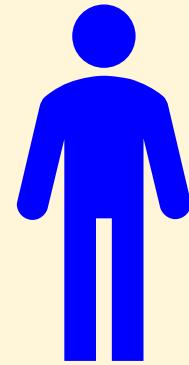
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Quantum state was unclonable and is
now destroyed.
We cannot try sending again.

pk



$|\phi\rangle$

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Q:

How can you guarantee & prove that you have sent an unclonable quantum state (to some given destination)?

Tokenized Signatures

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[Ben-David-Sattath-2016]

Definition [Tokenized Signatures Scheme] :

Given by three polynomial-time quantum algorithms,
and one classical algorithm,

- $(pk, |\psi\rangle_{pk}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)$.
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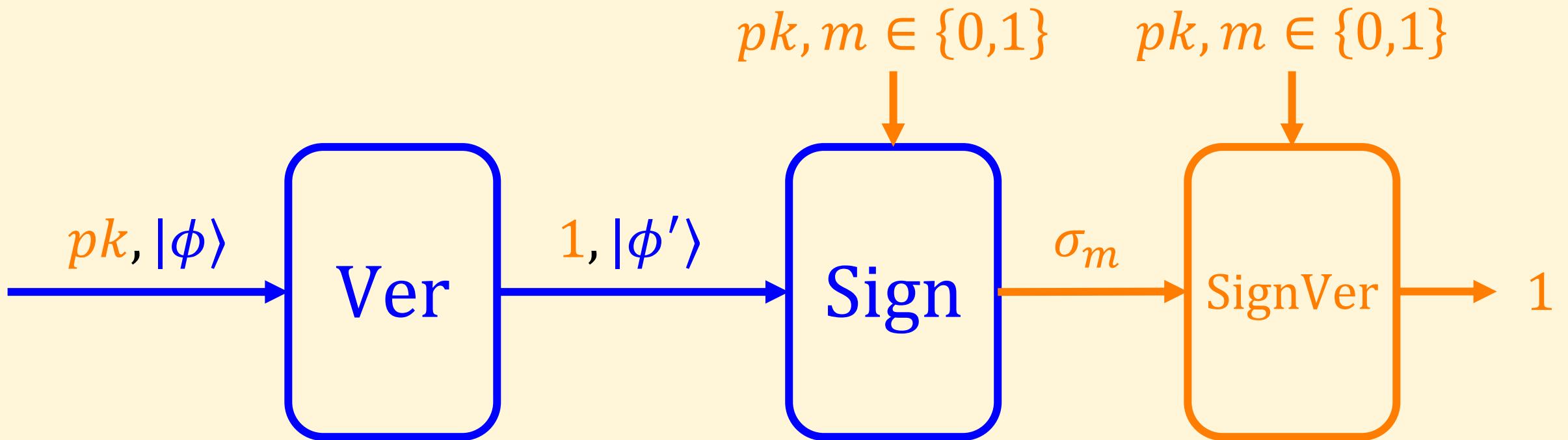
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- **Correctness 1:**

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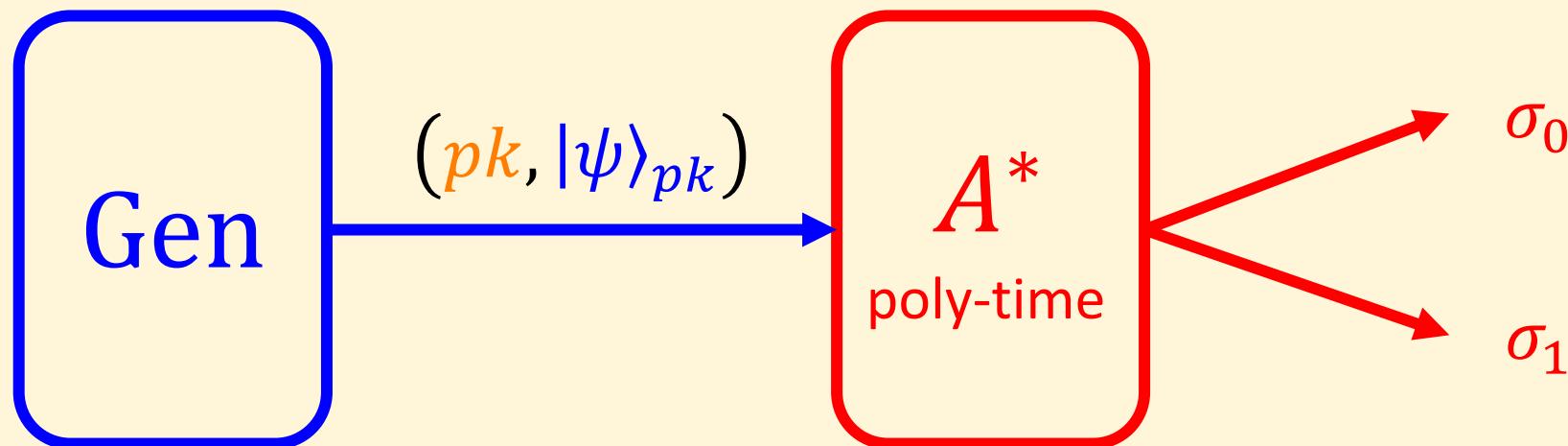
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Tokenized signatures imply PKQM. How?

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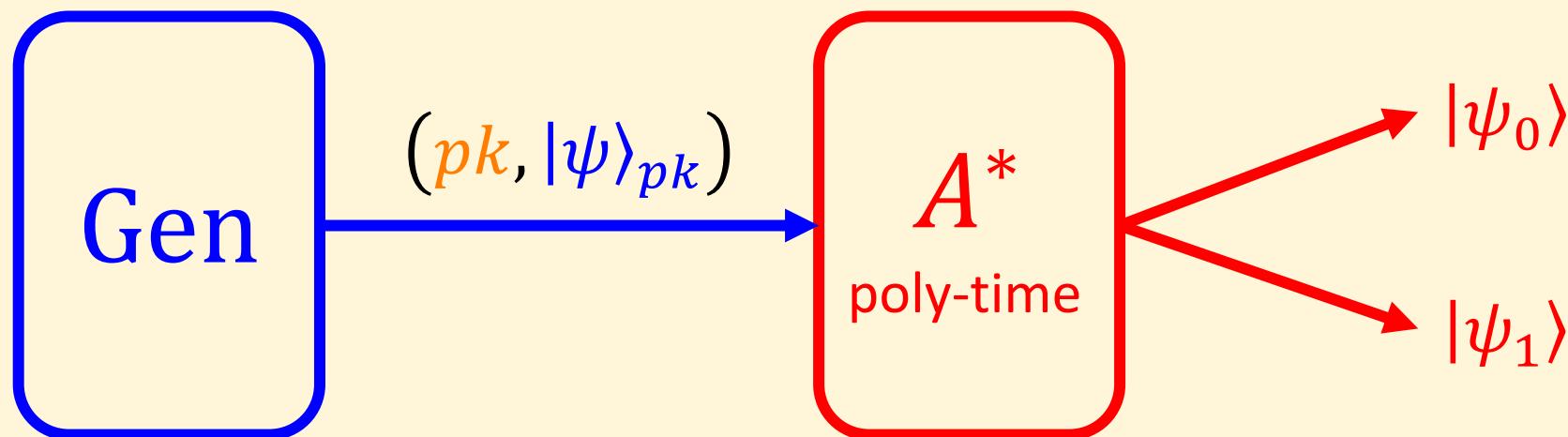
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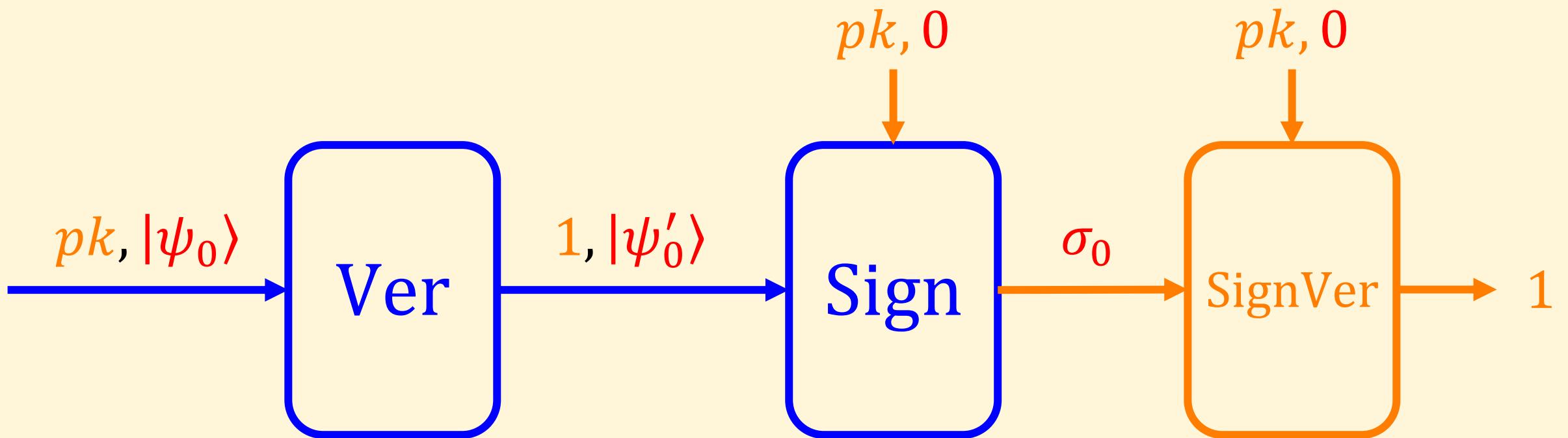
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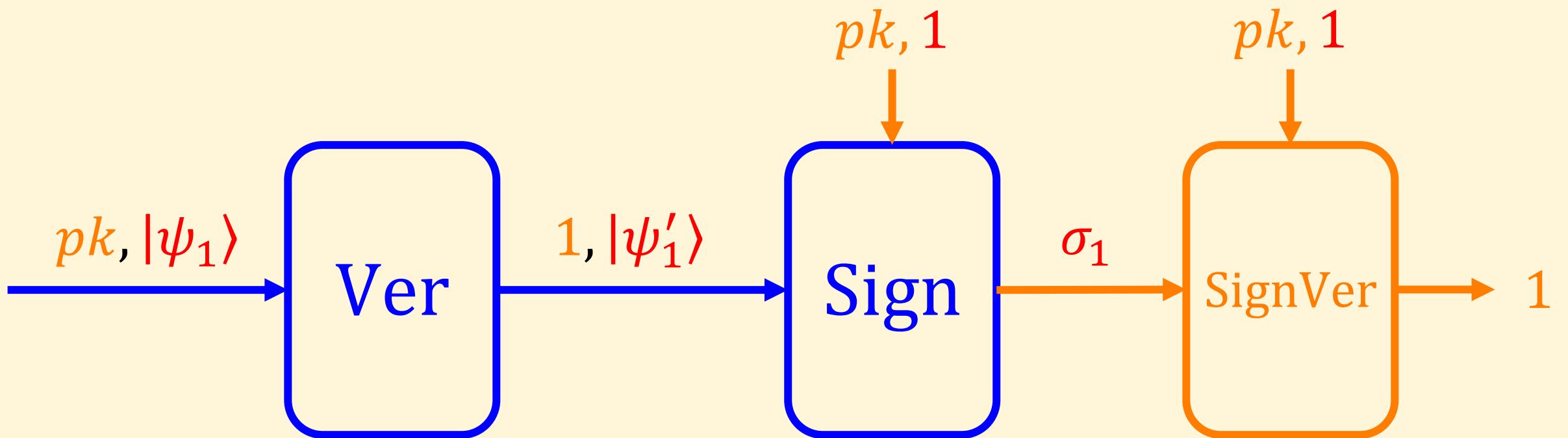
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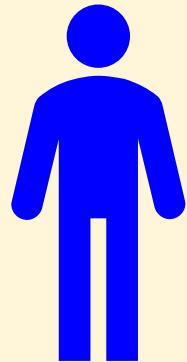
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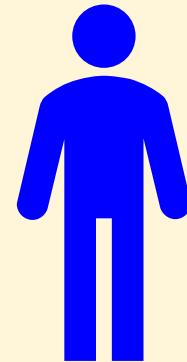
Note: $\sigma_m \in \{0,1\}^n$ serves as a *classical proof of destruction* for the quantum information in $|\psi\rangle_{pk}$.

The Quantum Delivery Verification Problem: Solution using Tokenized Signatures

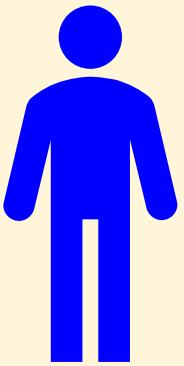
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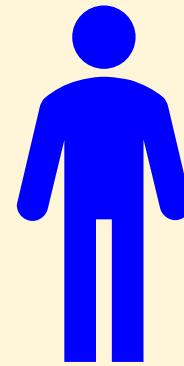


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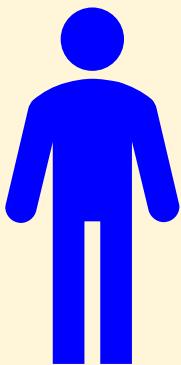


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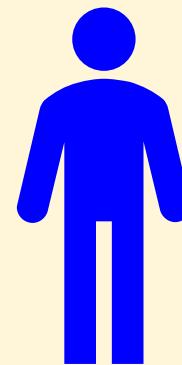
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A CRH $H: \{0,1\}^* \rightarrow \{0,1\}^\lambda$



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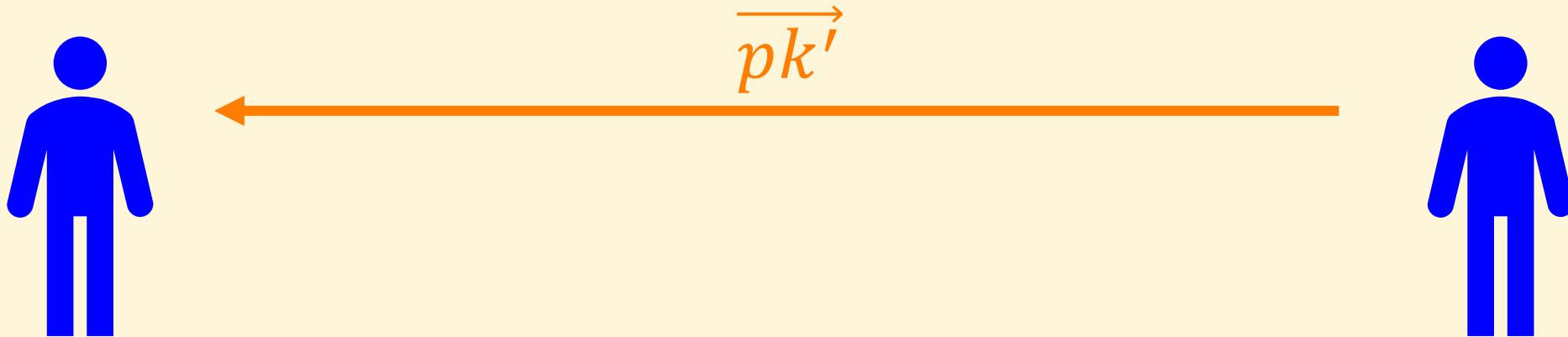


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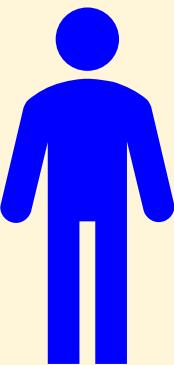
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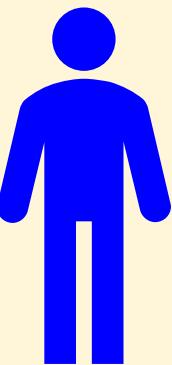
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1. $h \leftarrow H(\overrightarrow{pk'})$.

2. $(\sigma_h \in \{0,1\}^{n \cdot \lambda}) \leftarrow \text{Sign}(\overrightarrow{pk}, |\psi\rangle_{\overrightarrow{pk}}, h)$.



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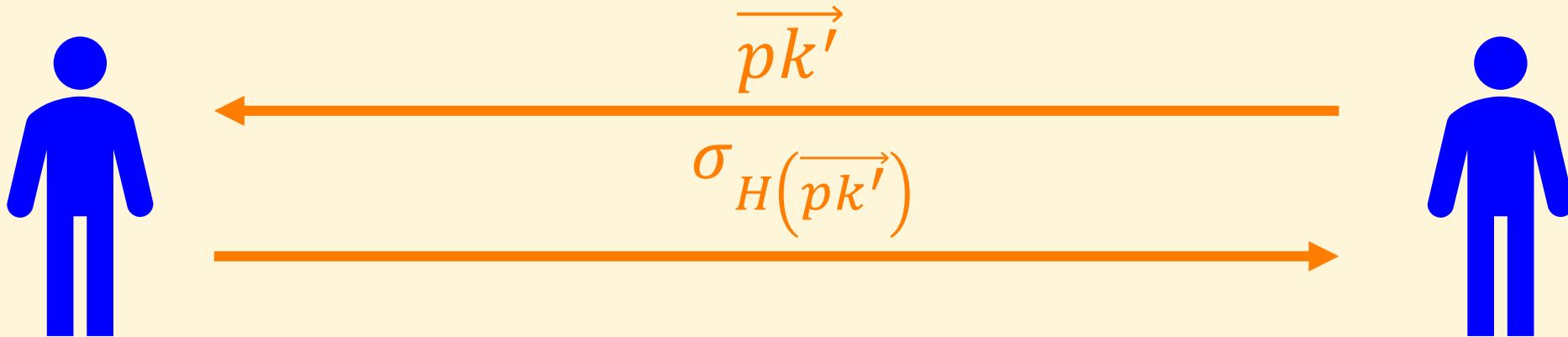
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Note: We got classical-only communication for free!

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How to Construct Tokenized Signatures

Definition [Coset State]:

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$ a subspace of $\{0,1\}^n$ and let $x, z \in \{0,1\}^n$.

The coset state of S with string shift x and phase shift z is defined as

$$|S\rangle^{x,z} := \frac{1}{\sqrt{|S|}} \sum_{u \in S} (-1)^{\langle z, u \rangle} \cdot |x + u\rangle .$$

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Lemma [Quantum Fourier Transform of a Coset State]:

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$ a subspace of $\{0,1\}^n$ and let $x, z \in \{0,1\}^n$. Then,

$$H^{\otimes n} \cdot |S\rangle^{x,z} = |S^\perp\rangle^{z,x}.$$

Proof: By calculation.

How to Construct Tokenized Signatures

Theorem [Ben-David-Sattath-2018] + [Coladangelo-Liu-Liu-Zhandry-2021]:

Assume the existence of a quantum-secure iO and injective OWFs.
Let S a random subspace $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$ of dimension $\frac{n}{2}$, and let $x, z \in \{0,1\}^n$ random strings.

For every quantum polynomial-time algorithm A^* , the following probability is negligible:

$$\Pr_{(O_{S+x}, O_{S^\perp+z}, |S\rangle^{x,z}) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^n)} \left[\begin{array}{l} A^*(O_{S+x}, O_{S^\perp+z}, |S\rangle^{x,z}) = (u, v), \\ u \in S + x, \\ v \in S^\perp + z \end{array} \right].$$

How to Construct Tokenized Signatures

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- $|\psi\rangle_{pk} = |S\rangle^{x,z}$.
- $pk = (\text{Obf}_{S+x}, \text{Obf}_{S^\perp+z})$.
- $\text{Ver}(pk, |\phi\rangle)$:
 - First, check that the rightmost qubit of $U_{S+x}(|\phi\rangle|0\rangle)$ is 1.
 - Now the state is $|\phi'\rangle := \sum_{u \in S} \alpha'_u \cdot |x + u\rangle$. Apply $H^{\otimes n} \cdot |\phi'\rangle = |\phi''\rangle$.
 - Finally, check that the rightmost qubit of $U_{S^\perp+z}(|\phi''\rangle|0\rangle)$ is 1.

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- $\text{Sign}(pk, |S\rangle^{x,z}, m \in \{0,1\}) : ?$
- $\text{SignVer}(pk, \sigma_m, m \in \{0,1\}) : ?$

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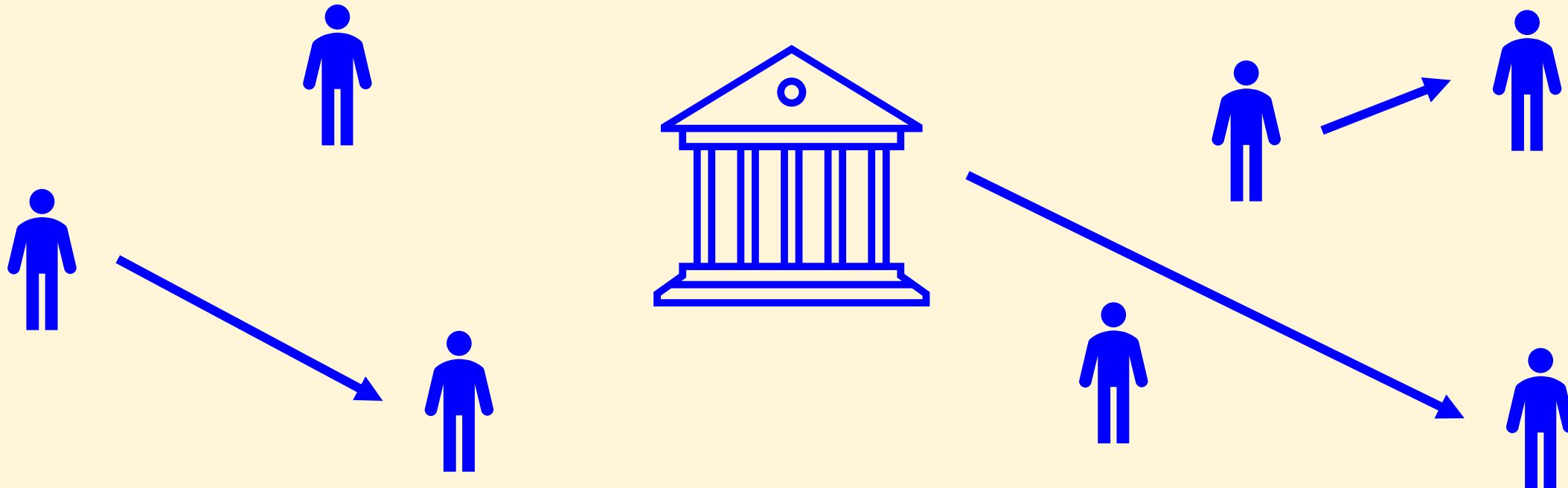
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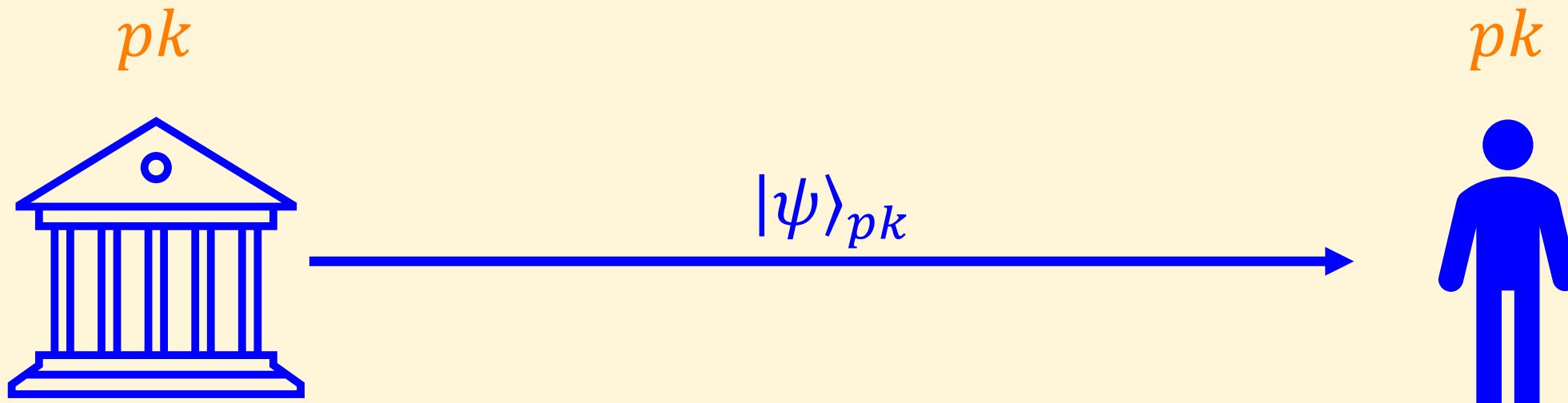
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$|\psi\rangle_{pk}$

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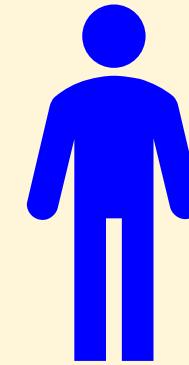
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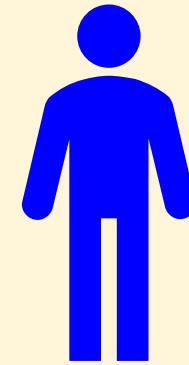
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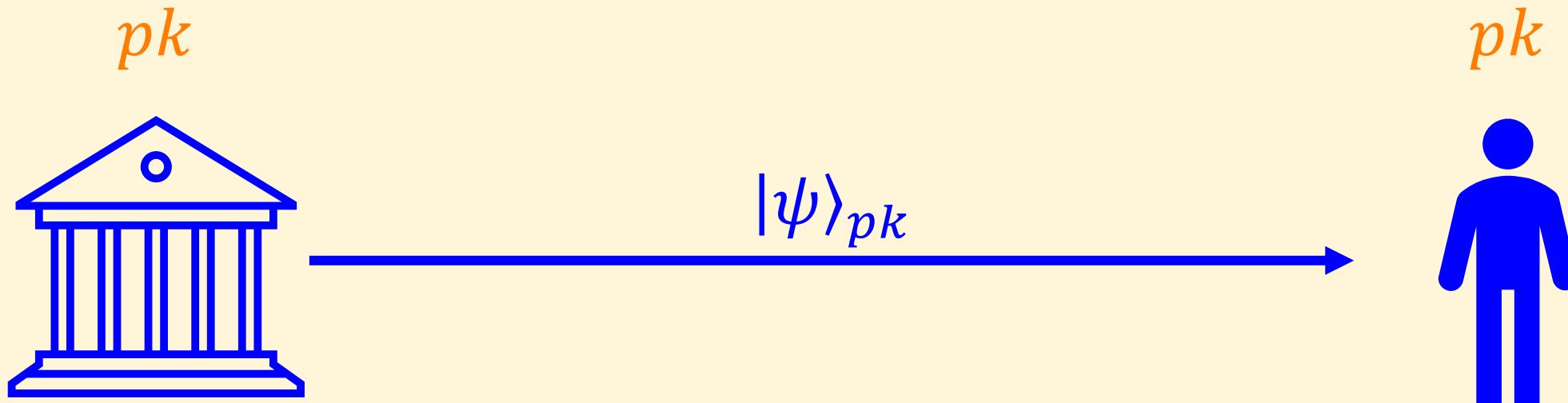
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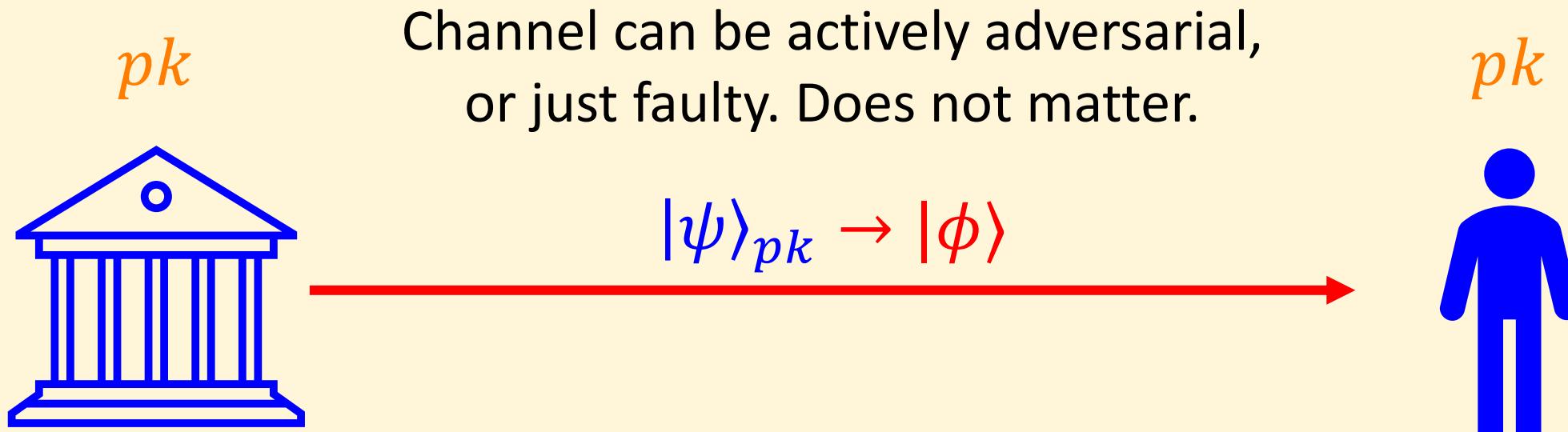
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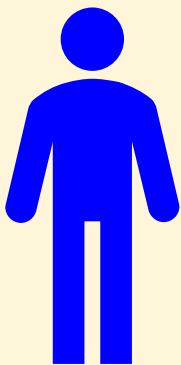
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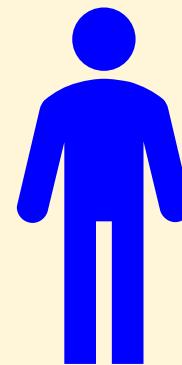
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The previous solution assumed the two parties already
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states in the first place.

Public-key **Semi**-quantum Money

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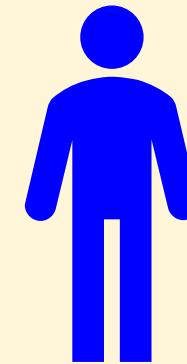
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$|\psi\rangle_{pk}$

When $|\psi\rangle_{pk}$ is already generated,
it is unknown how to send it.

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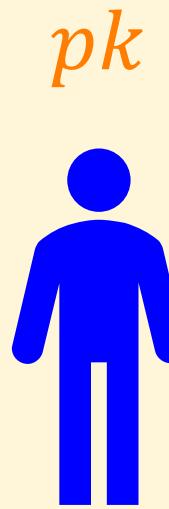


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We need to somehow let the receiver generate it by itself.



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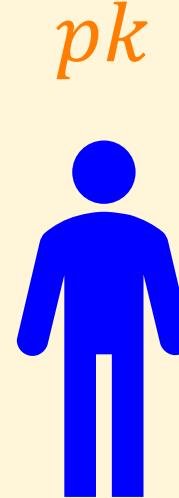


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Idea: If you can **classically delegate** the generation of the state, then you can prove in ZK that the (classical) instructions yield a valid state.



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Semi-quantum Tokenized Signatures

[S-2021], [S-2022]

Definition [Semi-quantum Tokenized Signatures]:

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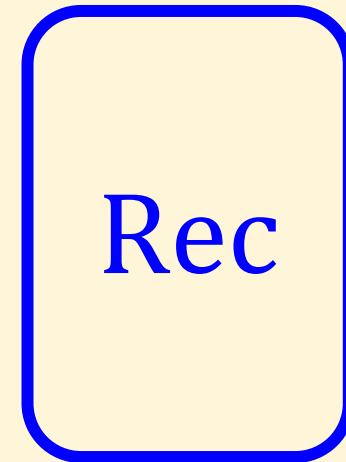
Step 1 [S-2021]:

Classical delegation of unclonable state generation.

Step 2 [S-2022]:

A different technique for signing quantum money states, tailored for states that resulted from delegation.

Classical delegation of state generation:



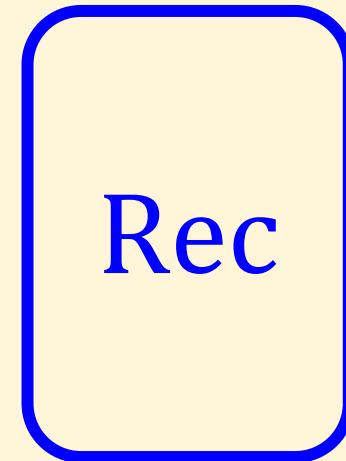
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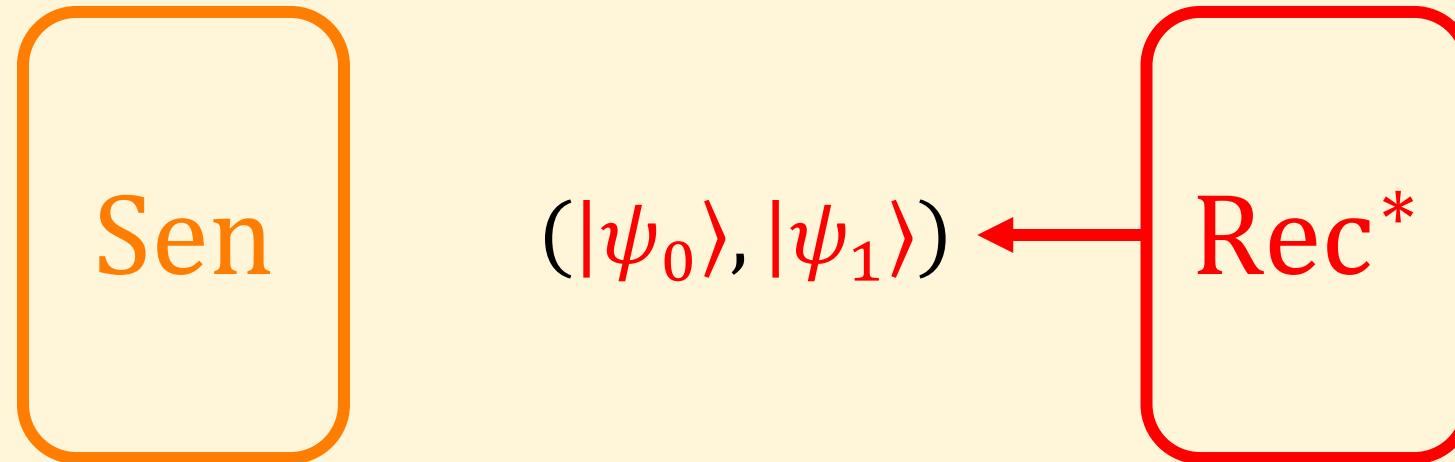
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Main difference: $|\psi\rangle_{pk}$ is unclonable for the generating computer.

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Public-key Semi-quantum Money

Introduced in [Radian-Sattath-2019]

Definition [Public-key Semi-quantum Money]:

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- $(b \in \{0,1\}, |\phi'\rangle) \leftarrow \text{Ver}(pk, |\phi\rangle)$.

Public-key Semi-quantum Money

Theorem [S-2021]:

Assume,

- Quantum sub-exponential hardness of LWE, and
- Quantum-secure indistinguishability obfuscation for classical circuits.

Then, there exists a Public-Key Semi-Quantum Money Scheme.

Public-key Semi-quantum Money - Intuition

Construct a protocol:

- **Sen** : A classical sender, wants to delegate the state generation.
- **Rec** : A quantum receiver, generates the state. Possibly malicious.

At the end of interaction: **Sen** outputs pk , **Rec** outputs $|\psi\rangle_{pk}$.

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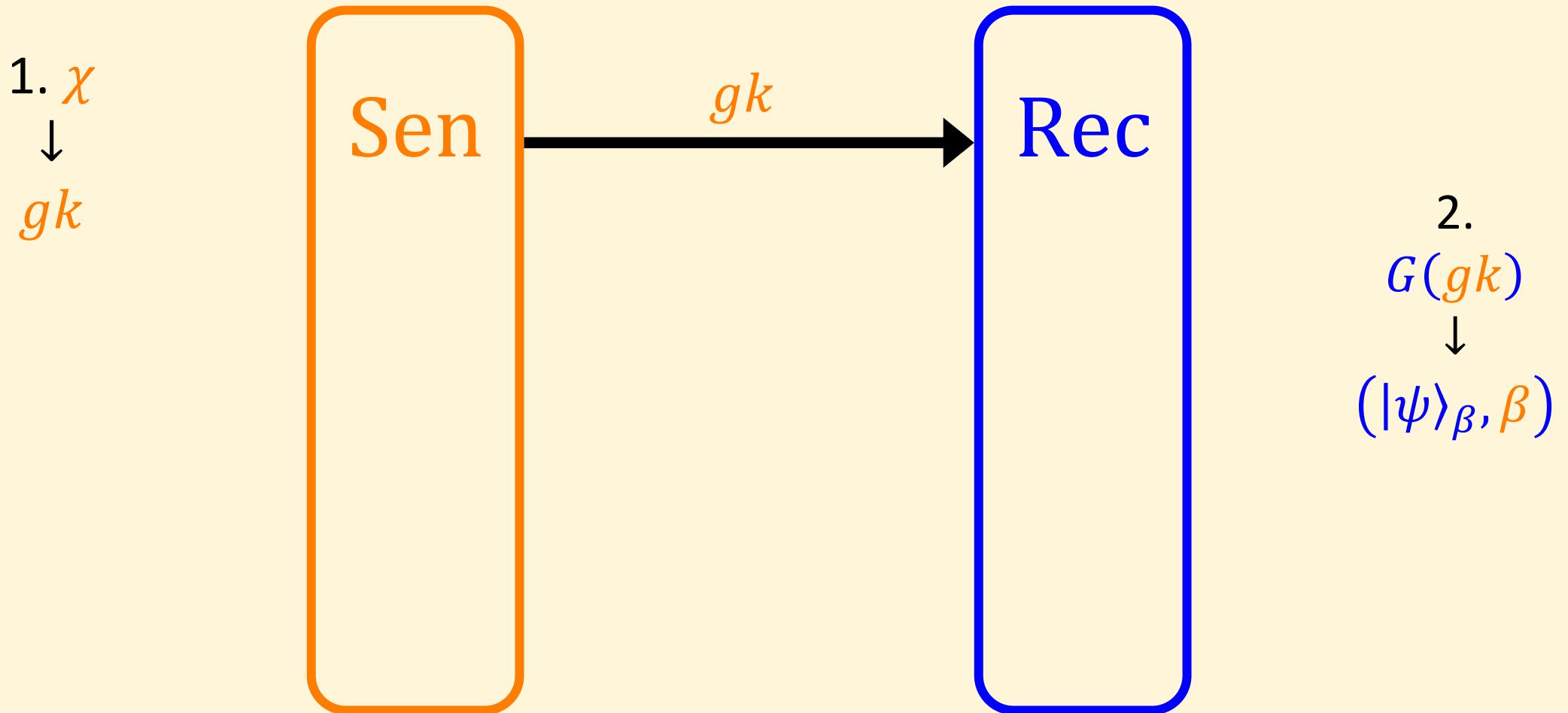
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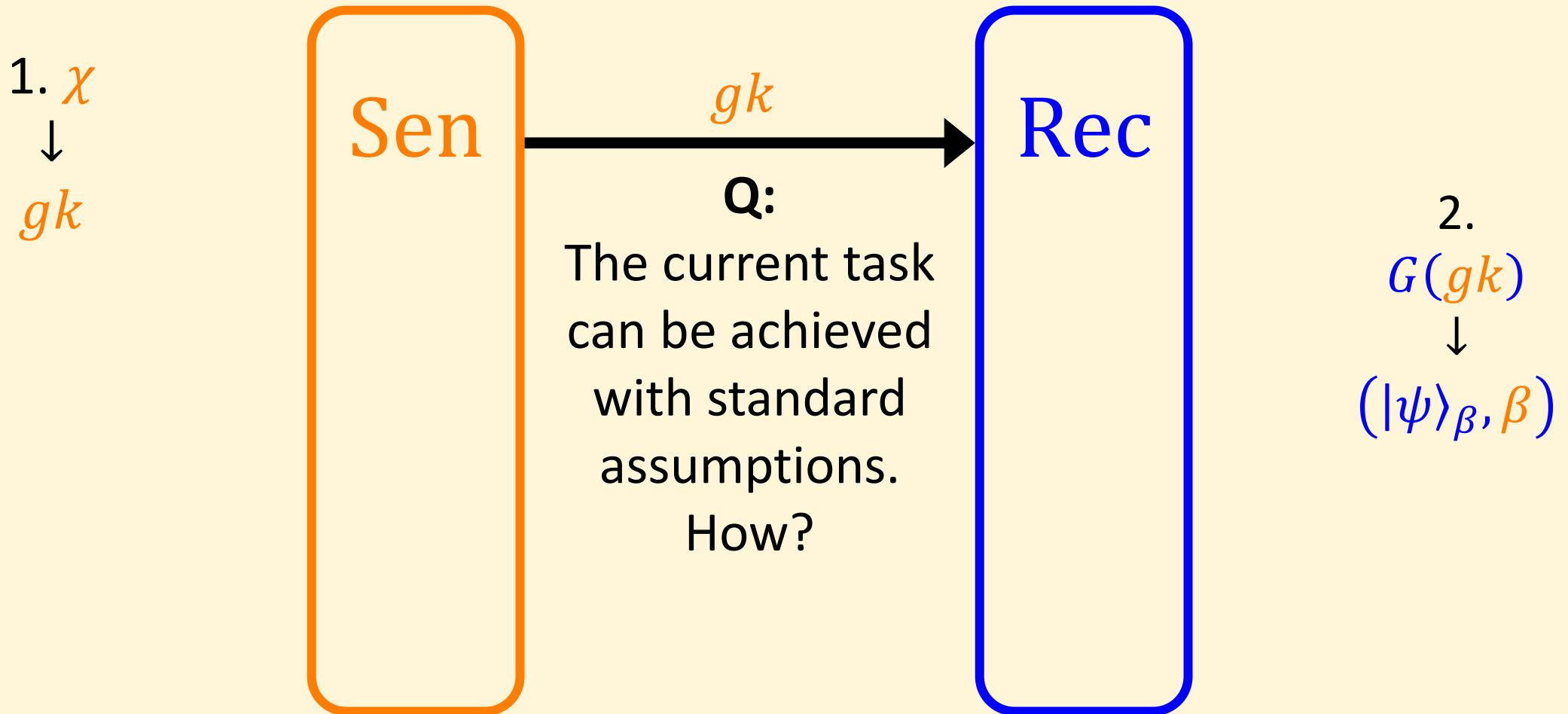
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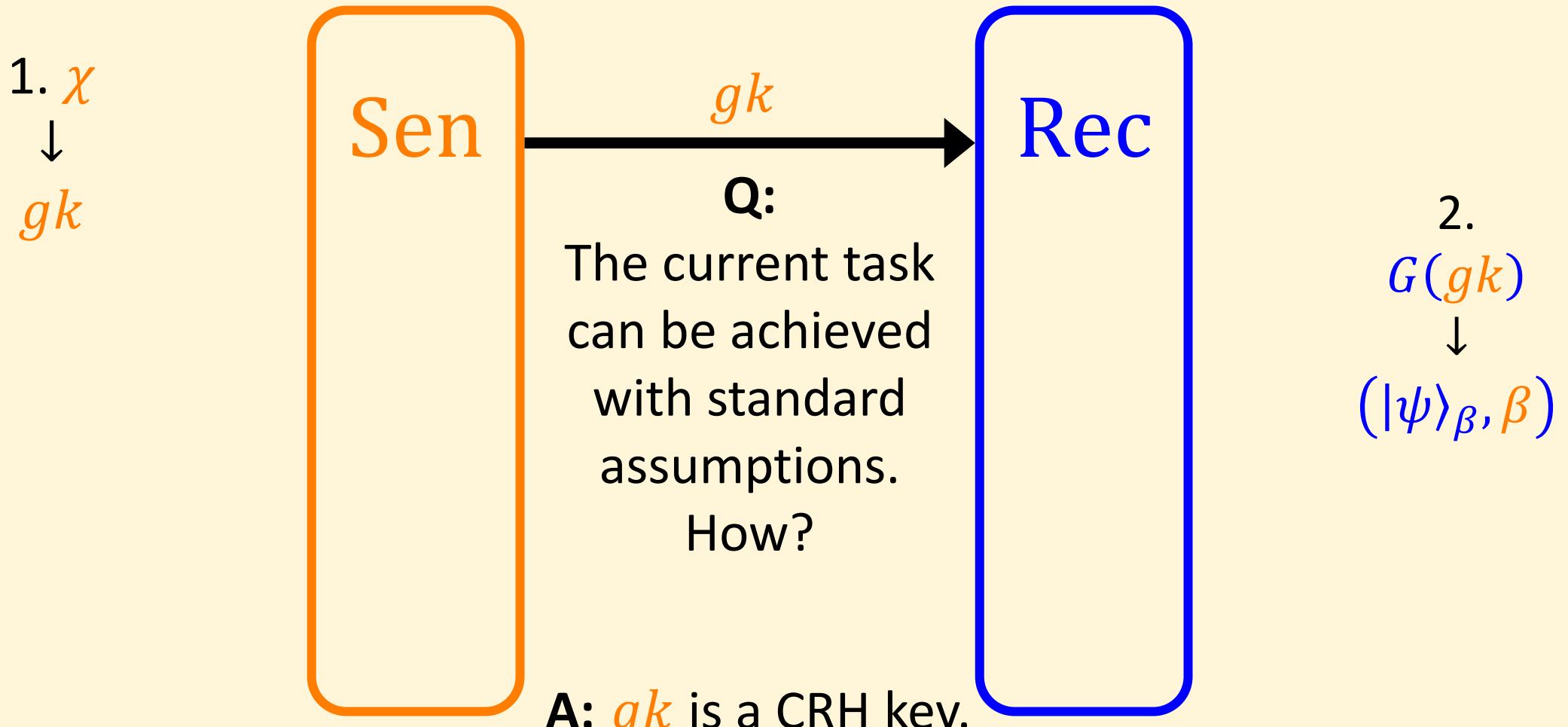
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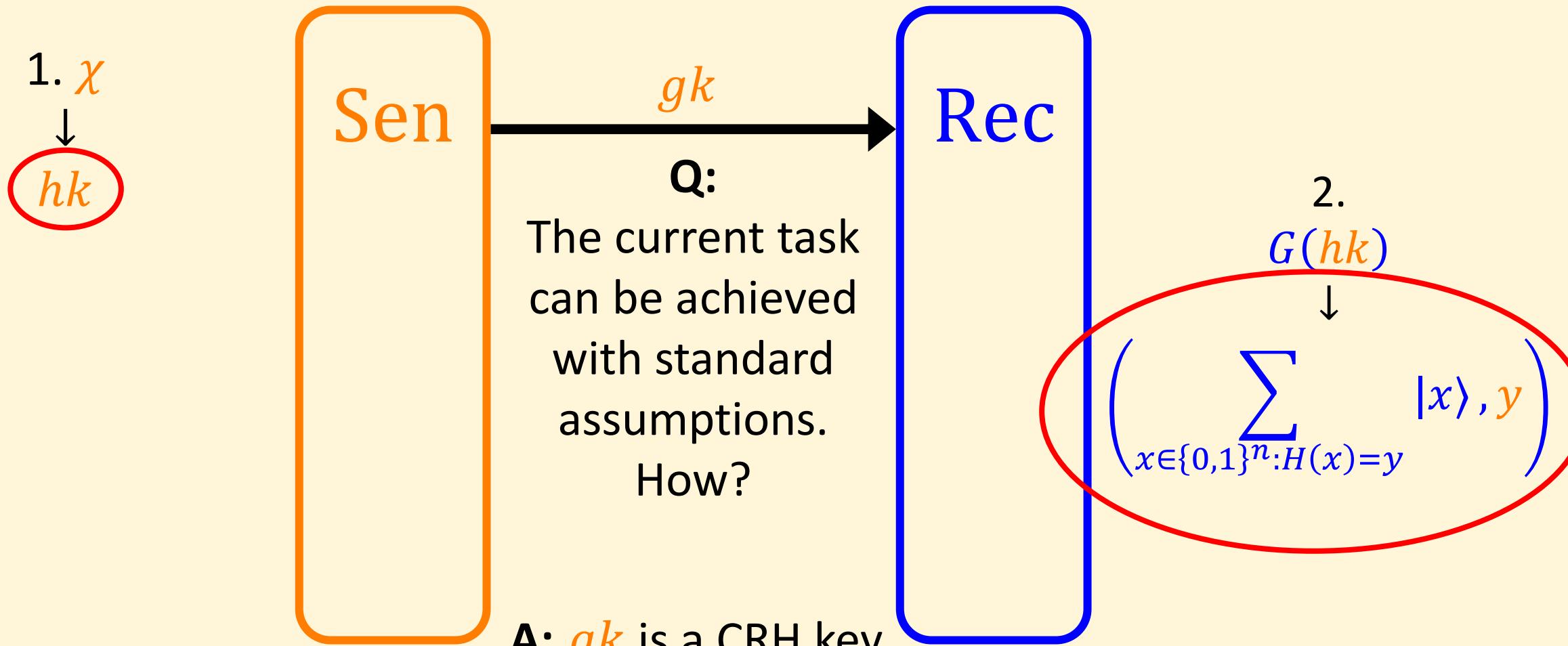


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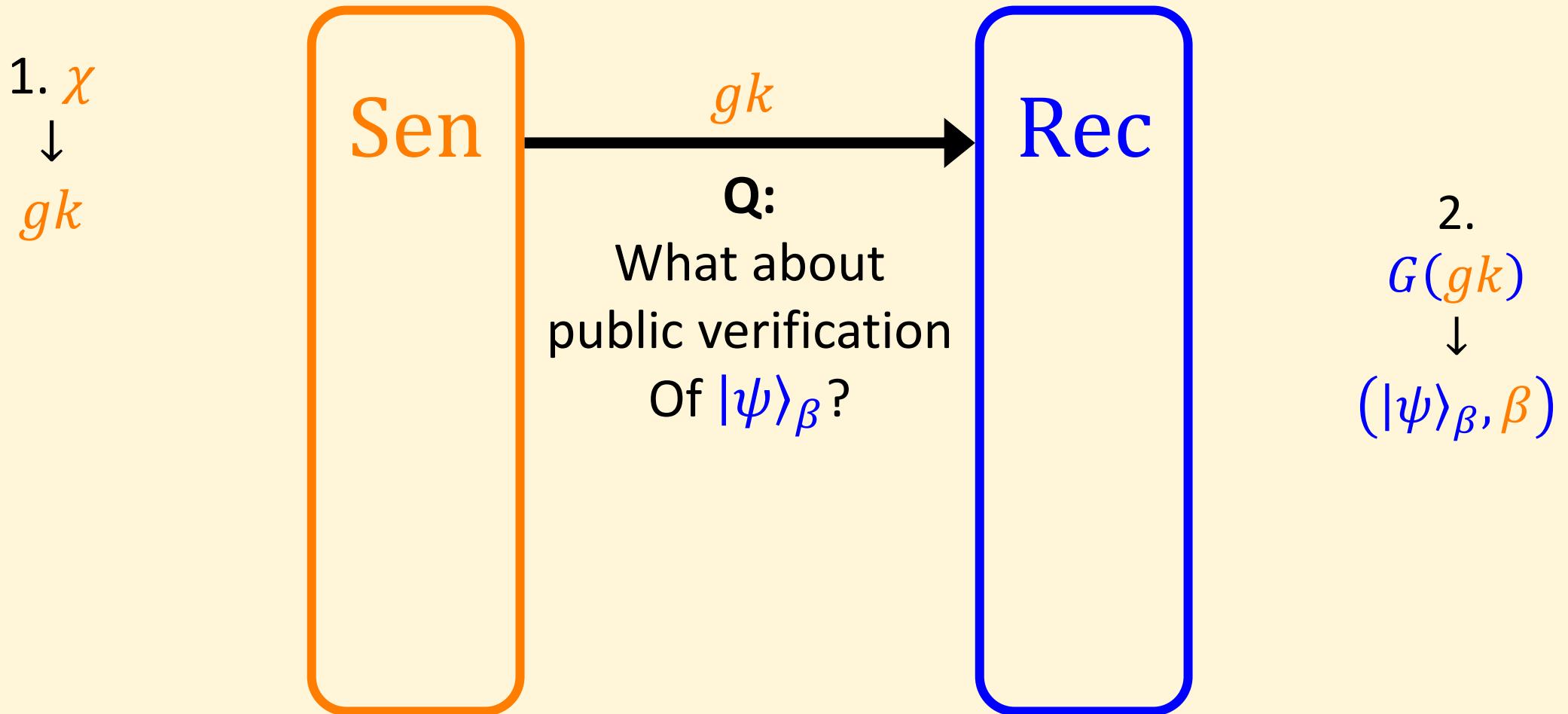
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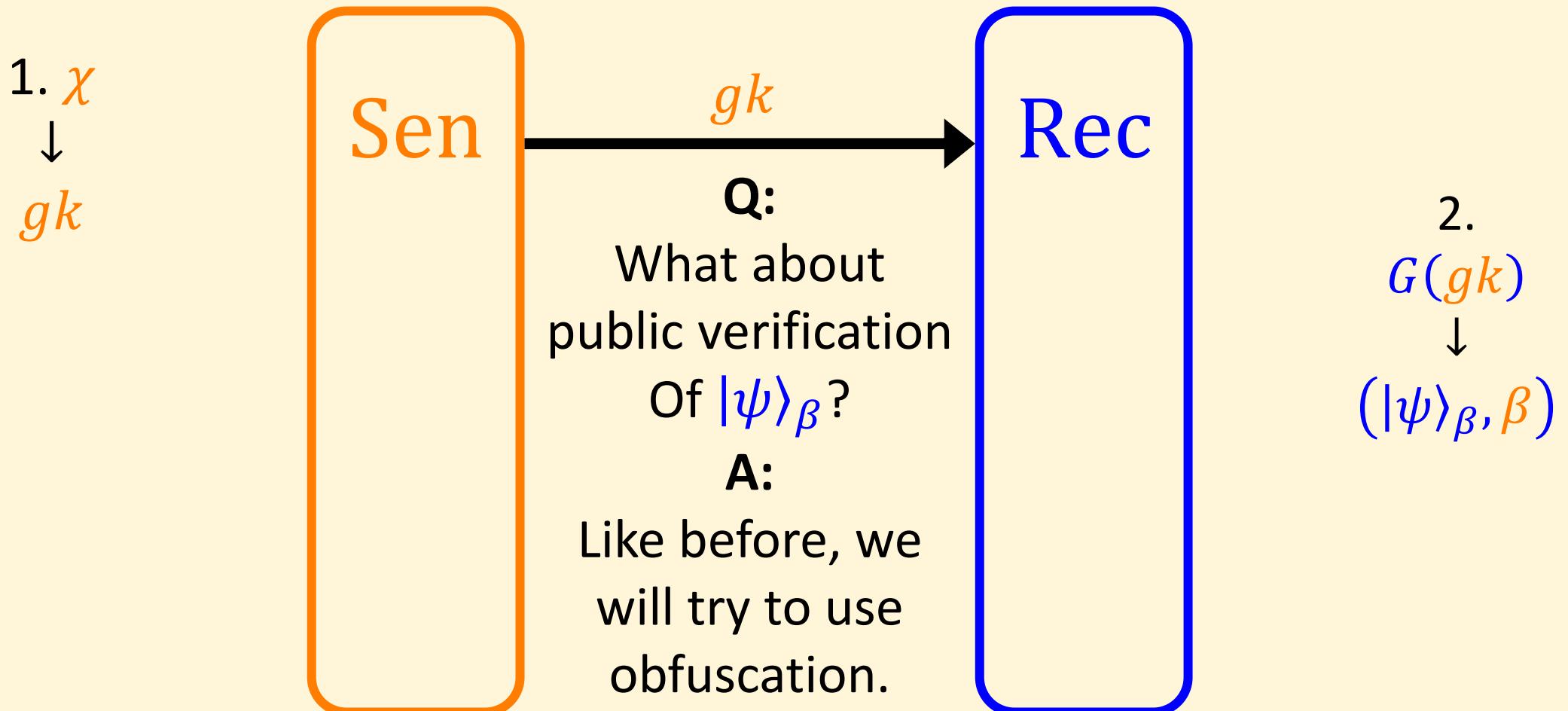


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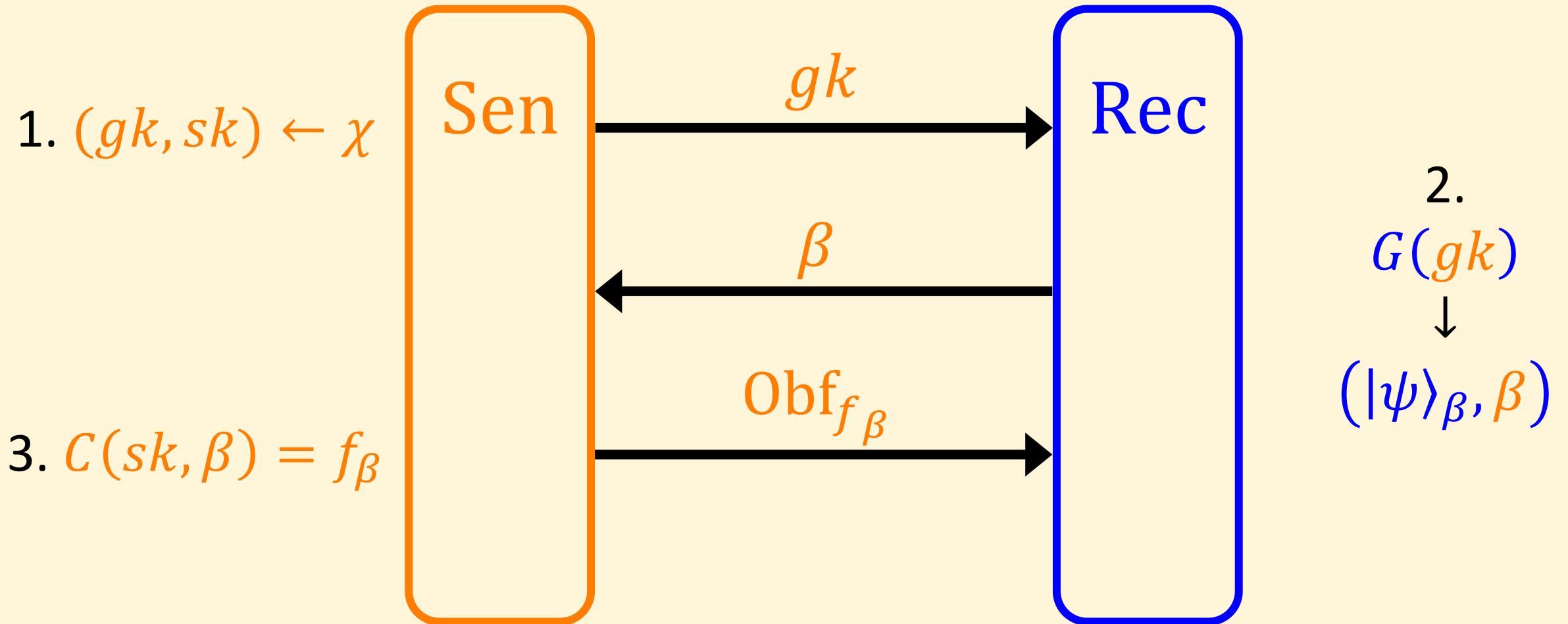
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Verification:

1. There is an efficient classical computation C :
 $\forall \beta: C(sk, \beta) = f_\beta$. f_β is a classical circuit.
2. $|\psi\rangle_\beta$ can be verified, having quantum oracle access to f_β .

Unclonability: For every β , the state $|\psi\rangle_\beta$ is unclonable, even given gk AND oracle access to f_β .

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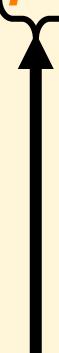
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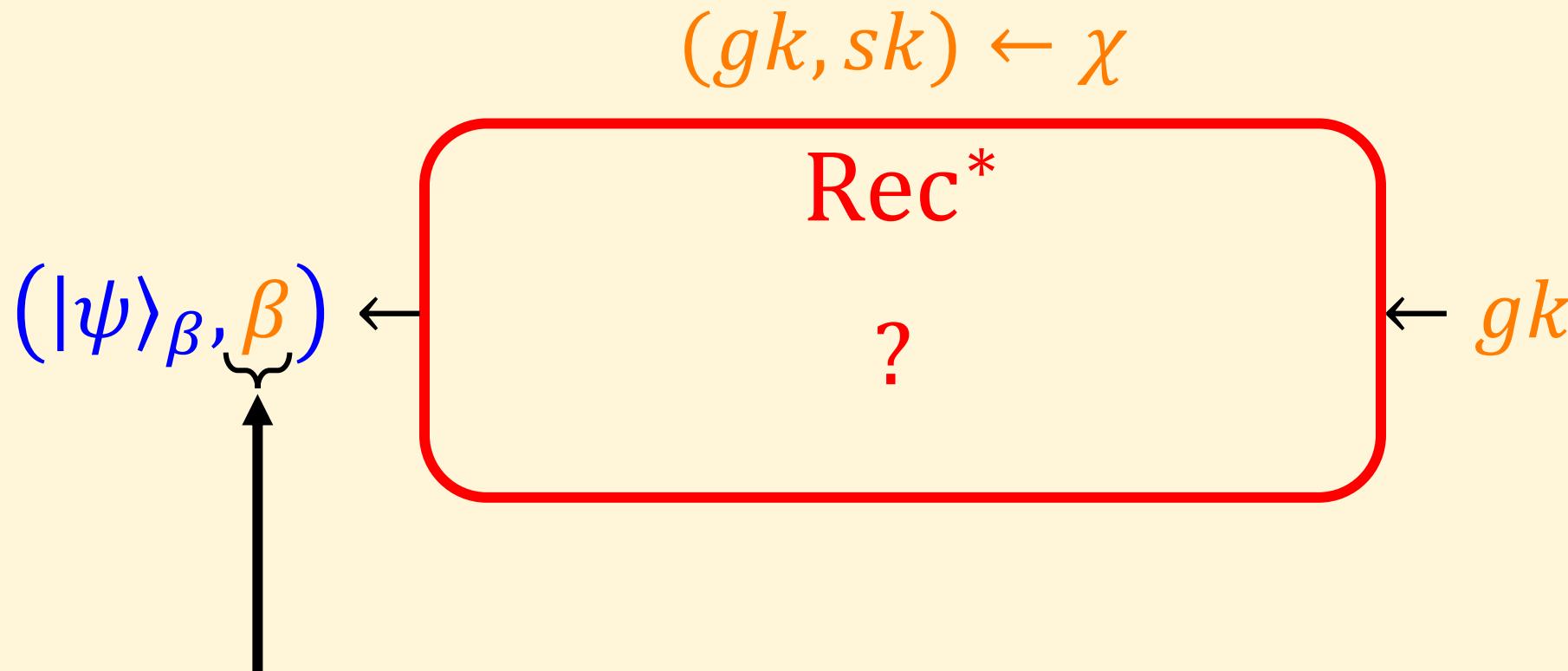
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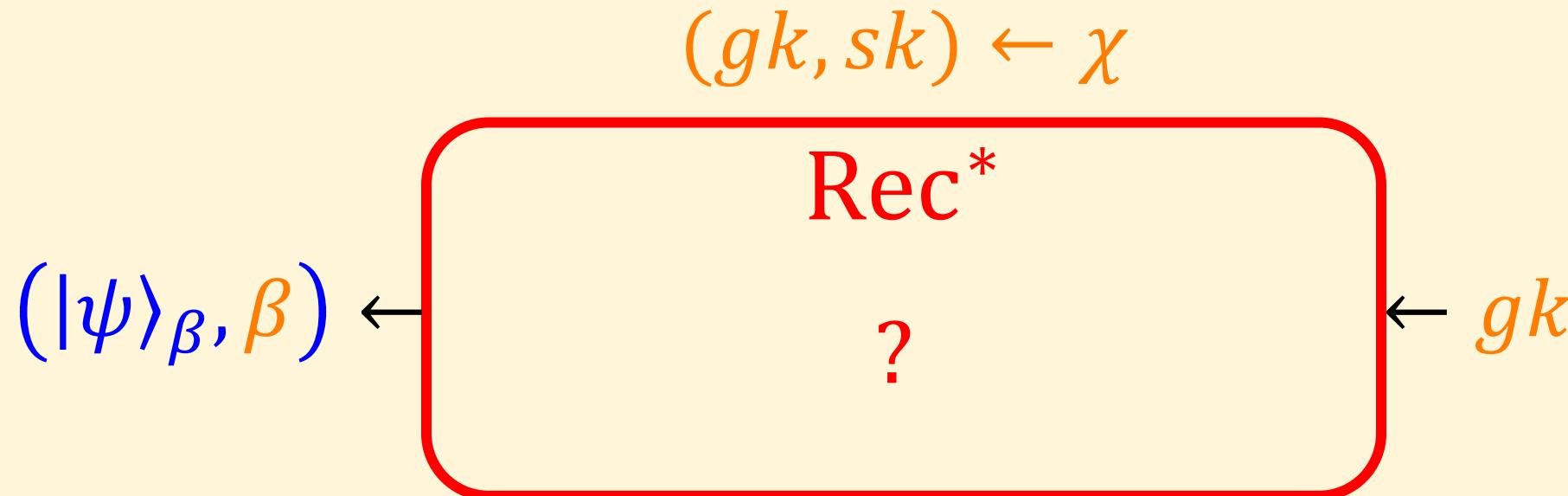
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Still high-entropy!

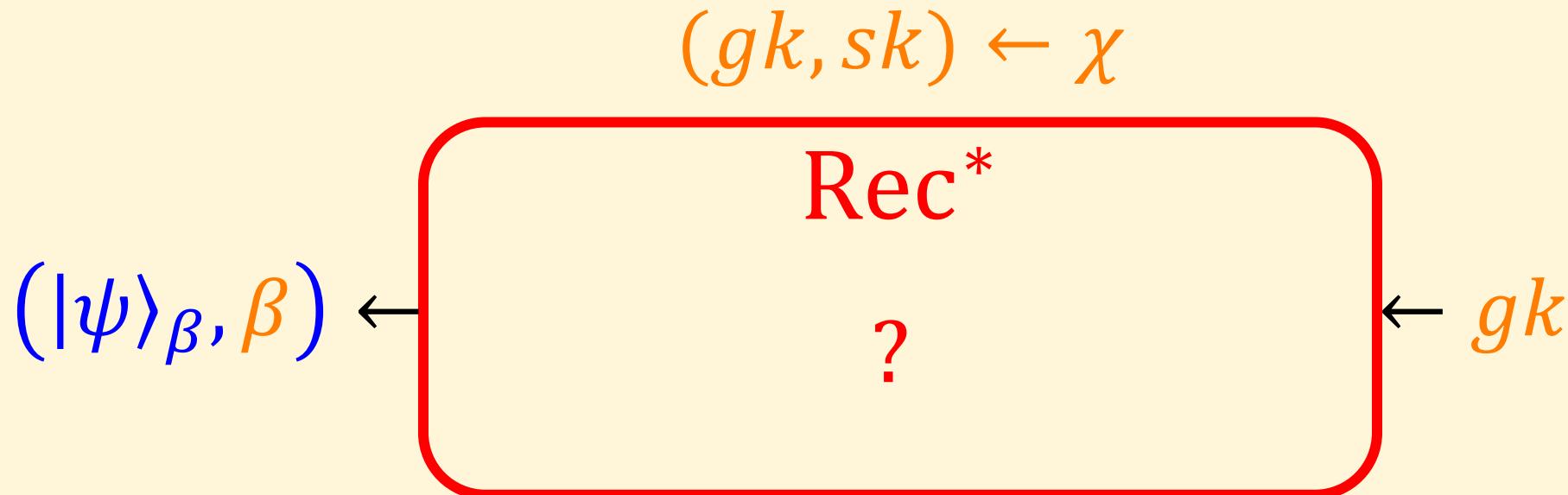
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We claim that for $\lvert \psi \rangle_\beta$ to be unclonable, the classical part β must have a non-trivial amount of entropy. Why?

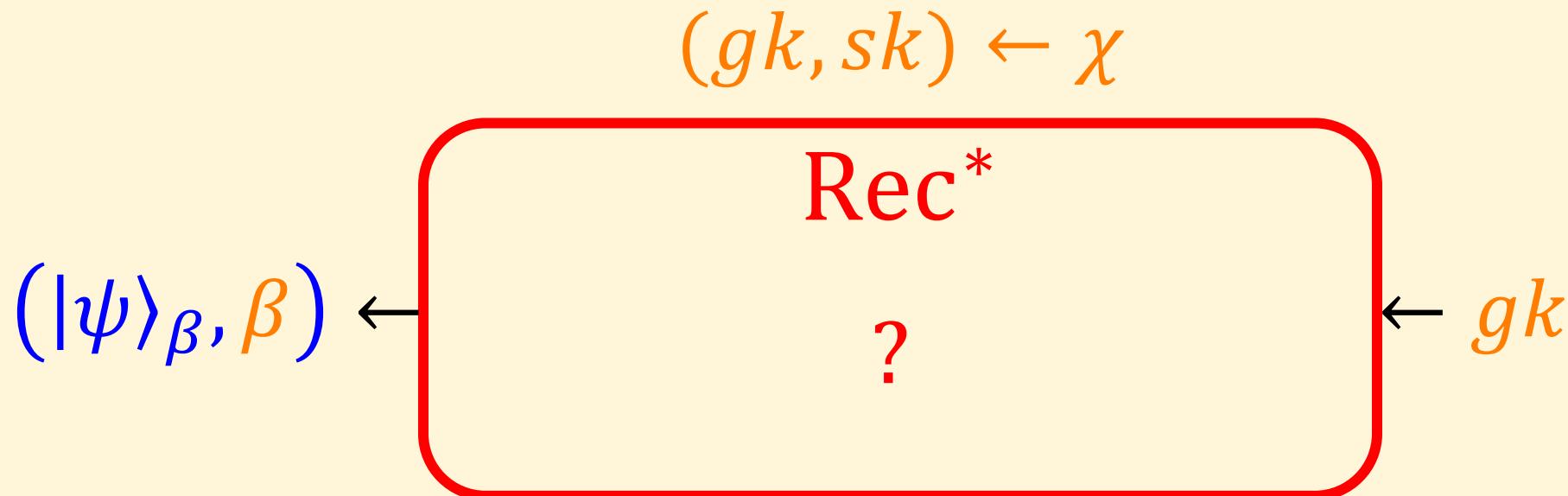
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A:

If some specific β can be sampled with $|\psi\rangle_\beta$, with good probability, then this can be done twice, and we cloned $|\psi\rangle_\beta$ with good probability.

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Meaning:

$|\psi\rangle_\beta$ is a quantum proof for the entropy of β .

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- Quantum Fully-Homomorphic Encryption (QFHE):
 - Encryption scheme (Enc , Dec , Eval).
 - $\text{Enc}(Q(y)) \leftarrow \text{Eval}(\text{Enc}(y), Q)$.
- Hybrid QFHE:
 - For every $|\psi\rangle$, $\text{Enc}(|\psi\rangle) := (|\psi\rangle^{x,z}, \text{ct}_{x,z})$.
 - $|\psi\rangle^{x,z}$ is the quantum one-time pad encryption of $|\psi\rangle$,

$$|\psi\rangle := \sum_{y \in \{0,1\}^n} \alpha_y \cdot |y\rangle ,$$

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Is executed honestly, the mapping $(x, z) \leftarrow r$ is random for some circuits Q .

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- If Q contains Toffoli gates, the mapping is randomized.

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We define a quantum **Subspace-Generating Circuit (SGC)** to be a circuit Q_{SG} that maps:

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Lemma (informal):

Let S a random subspace $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$ of dimension $\frac{n}{2}$.

Let $M_S \in \{0,1\}^{\left(\frac{n}{2} \times n\right)}$ a basis for S .

Then, no quantum polynomial-time \mathbf{A}^* can get $(M_S \oplus r, \mathbf{ct}_r)$ an encryption by $\mathbf{Enc}(M_S)$, and output,

$(|S\rangle^{x,z}, |S\rangle^{x,z}, \mathbf{ct}_{x,z})$,

For some x, z .

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Proof:

- Let $M_S \in \{0,1\}^{\binom{n}{2} \times n}$ a basis for a random subspace $S \subseteq \{0,1\}^n$, $\dim(S) = \frac{n}{2}$.
- Assume a quantum poly-time \mathbf{A}^* , gets an encryption $(M_S \oplus r, \mathbf{ct}_r)$ and outputs,
$$(|S\rangle^{x,z}, |S\rangle^{x,z}, \mathbf{ct}_{x,z}).$$
- Observe: S takes negligible fraction $\frac{\binom{n}{2}}{2^n} = 2^{-\frac{n}{2}}$ from $\{0,1\}^n$. By security of QFHE, computationally hard to find $s \in (S \setminus \{0\})$.

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Proof (continued):

- How can the reduction use $(|S\rangle^{x,z}, |S\rangle^{x,z}, \text{ct}_{x,z})$ to find a vector $s \in (S \setminus \{0\})$?
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Subspace
undisturbed!

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Proof (continued):

- Finally, measuring $\sum_{u \in S} (-1)^{\langle z, u \rangle} |u\rangle$ yields $s \in (S \setminus \{0\})$ with high probability.
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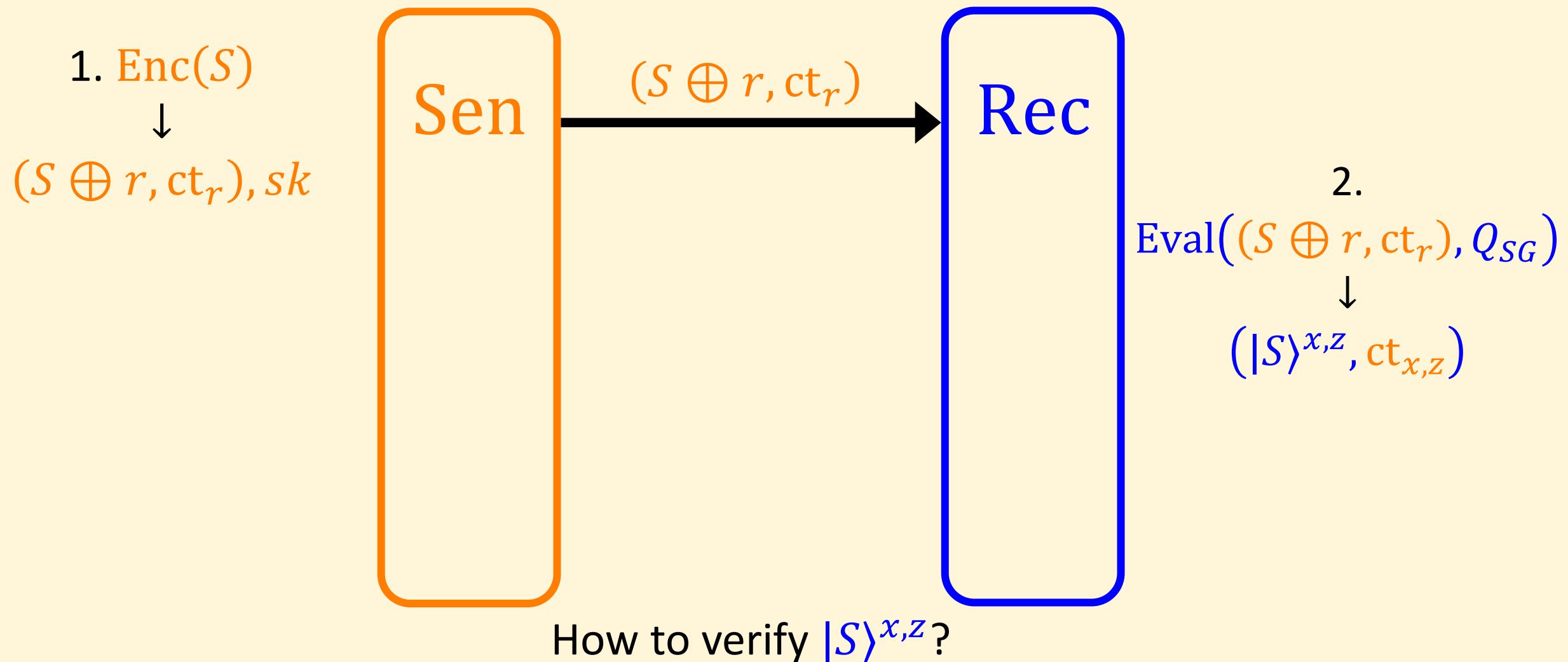
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[Aaronson-Christiano-2012]:

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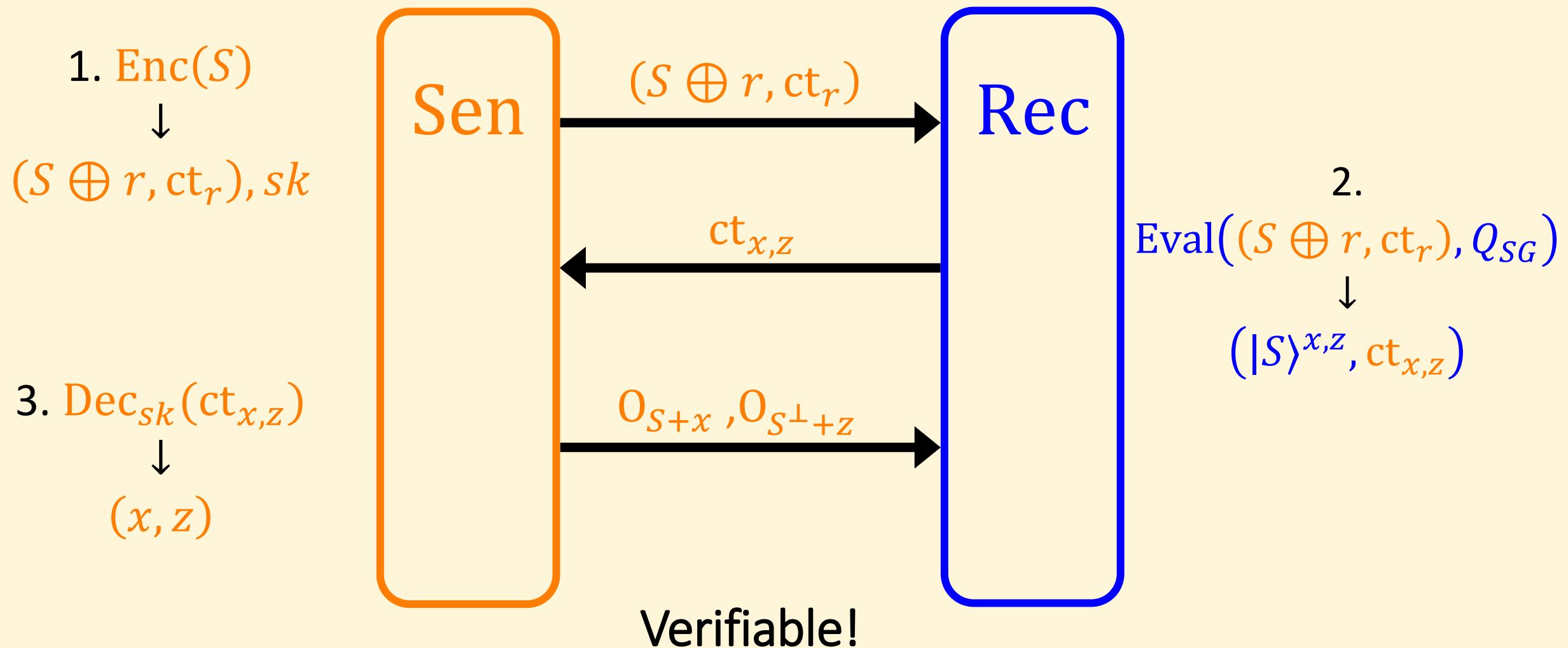
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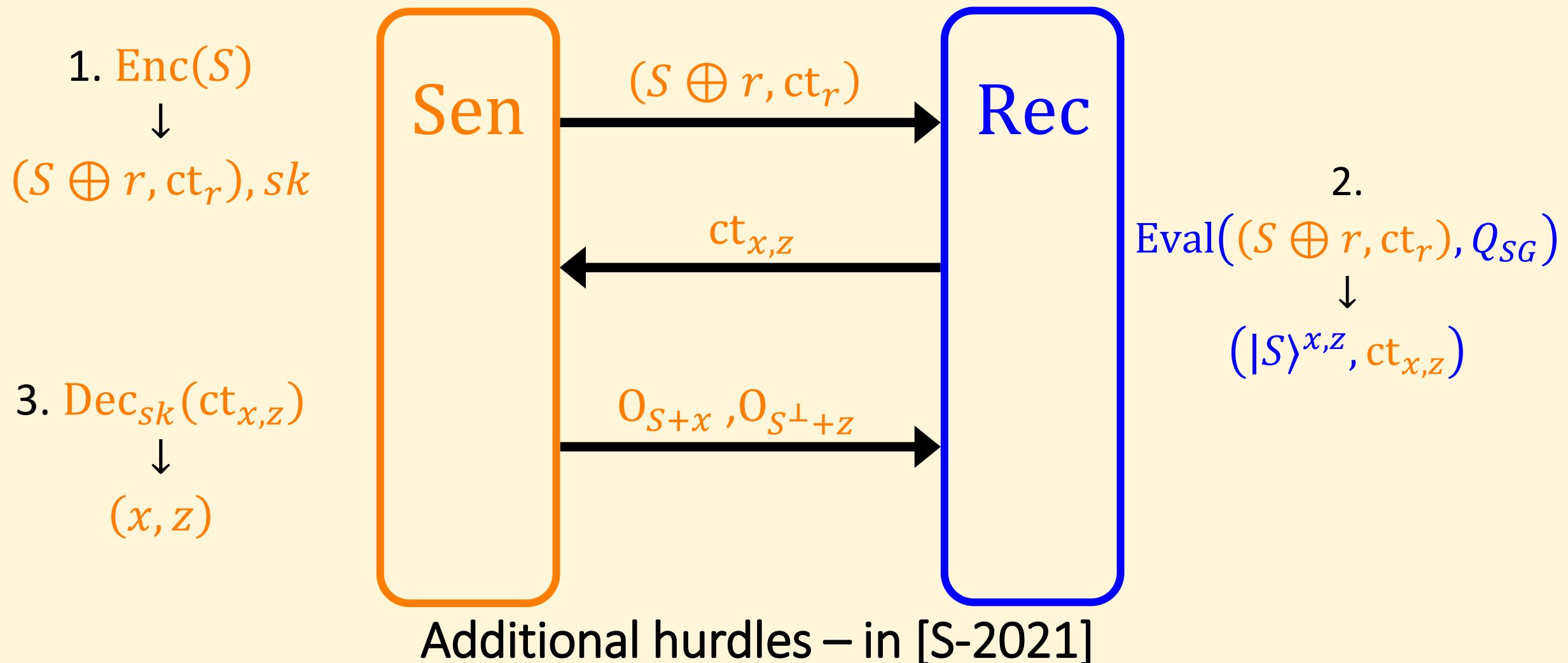
Hybrid QFHE is useful in two ways for our verification:

1. By the exact same techniques from [AC-12], the state $|S\rangle^{x,z}$ can be verified with quantum oracle access to membership in $S + x$ and $S^\perp + z$.
2. Even though x, z randomly distribute, the sender can know the pads by decrypting the message of the receiver.

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Two Open Problems

1. **Reduce assumptions:** Can we construct PKQM from non-iO assumptions? Possibly lattice-based?
2. **Increase functionality:** Can we make semi-quantum schemes non-interactive? This will imply *Quantum Lightning* [Zhandry-2018] or even *One-Shot Signatures* [Amos-Georgiou-Kiayias-Zhandry-2020].