

# Almost Public Quantum Coins

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# INTRODUCTION



# UNFORGEABLE MONEY

- Can money schemes be unforgeable?
- Classically not possible.
- With quantum, you can!

Can be  
cloned!

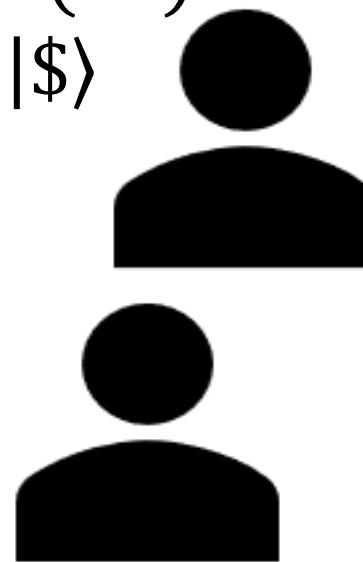
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# QUANTUM MONEY

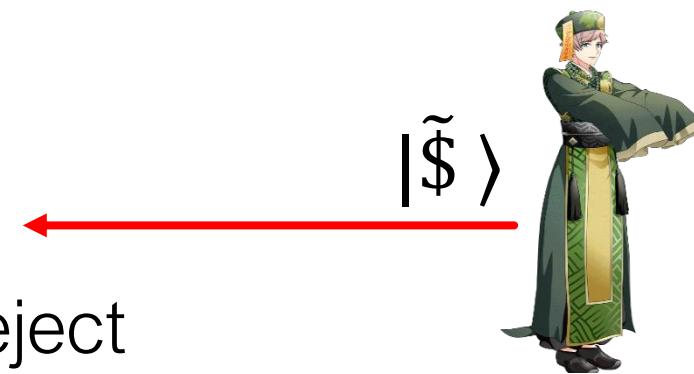
*(Keygen, Mint, Verify)*



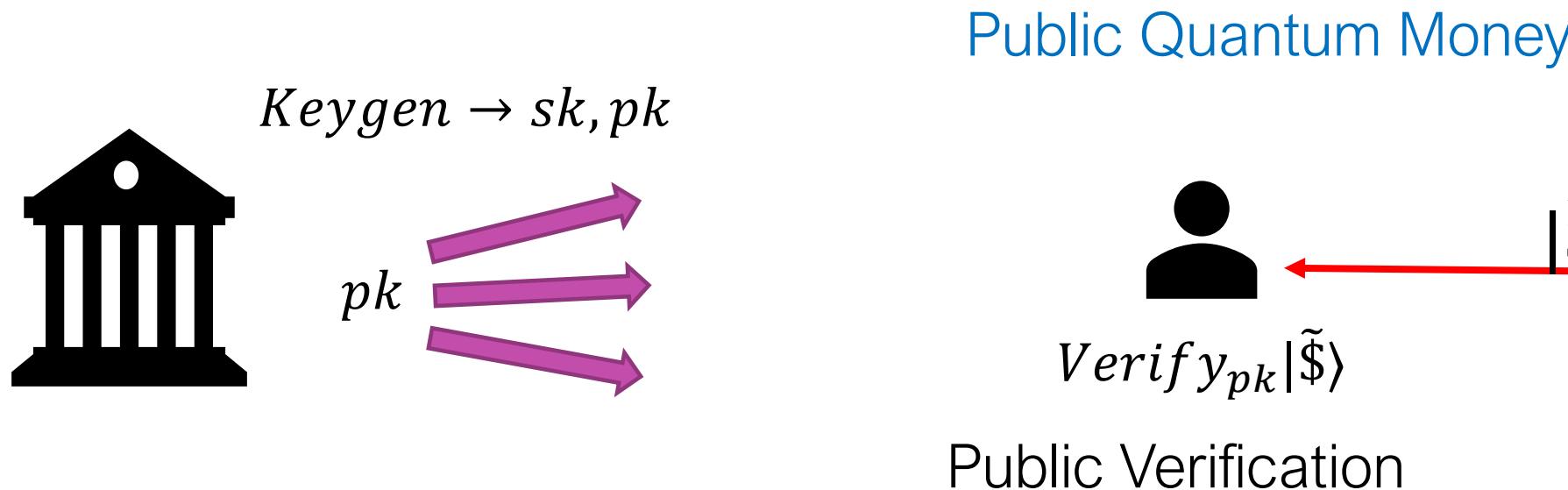
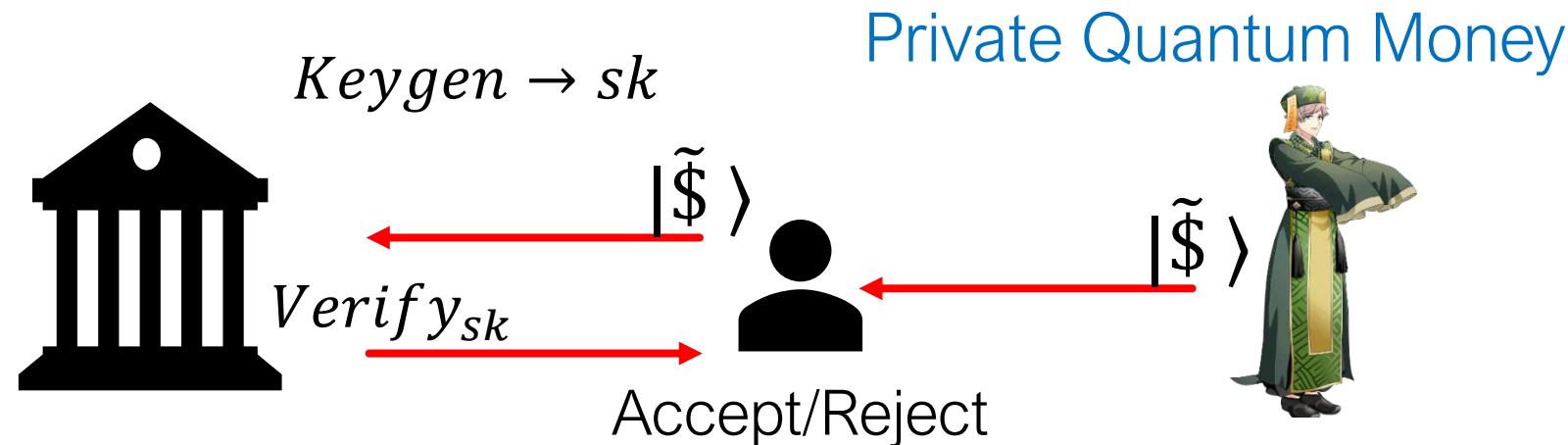
$sk \leftarrow Keygen(1^\lambda)$   
 $Mint(sk) \rightarrow |\$ \rangle$



$Verify(|\tilde{\$} \rangle) \rightarrow$  Accept/Reject



# PRIVATE VS PUBLIC QUANTUM MONEY



# COINS VS BILLS



Indistinguishable copies

How does it matter? Privacy!

Unique serial numbers



Serial numbers can be tracked.



# PREVIOUS WORKS AND OUR CONTRIBUTIONS



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# QUANTUM MONEY CONSTRUCTIONS

- **Private Quantum Money:** Wiesner's money, Gavinsky's quantum money scheme, etc.
- **Public Quantum Money:** Zhandry's quantum money, Farhi et al.

No public money construction based on weak and generic assumptions.

# QUANTUM COINS CONSTRUCTIONS

Private Quantum coin Scheme	Computational Assumption	Memory dependent	Efficiency	Unforgeability
MS10	No	No	Inefficient	Adaptive Unforgeability
JLS18	quantum secure one-way function	No	Efficient	Adaptive Unforgeability
AMR20	No	Yes	Efficient	Adaptive Unforgeability

Public Quantum Coins: No candidate construction.

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## OUR CONTRIBUTIONS

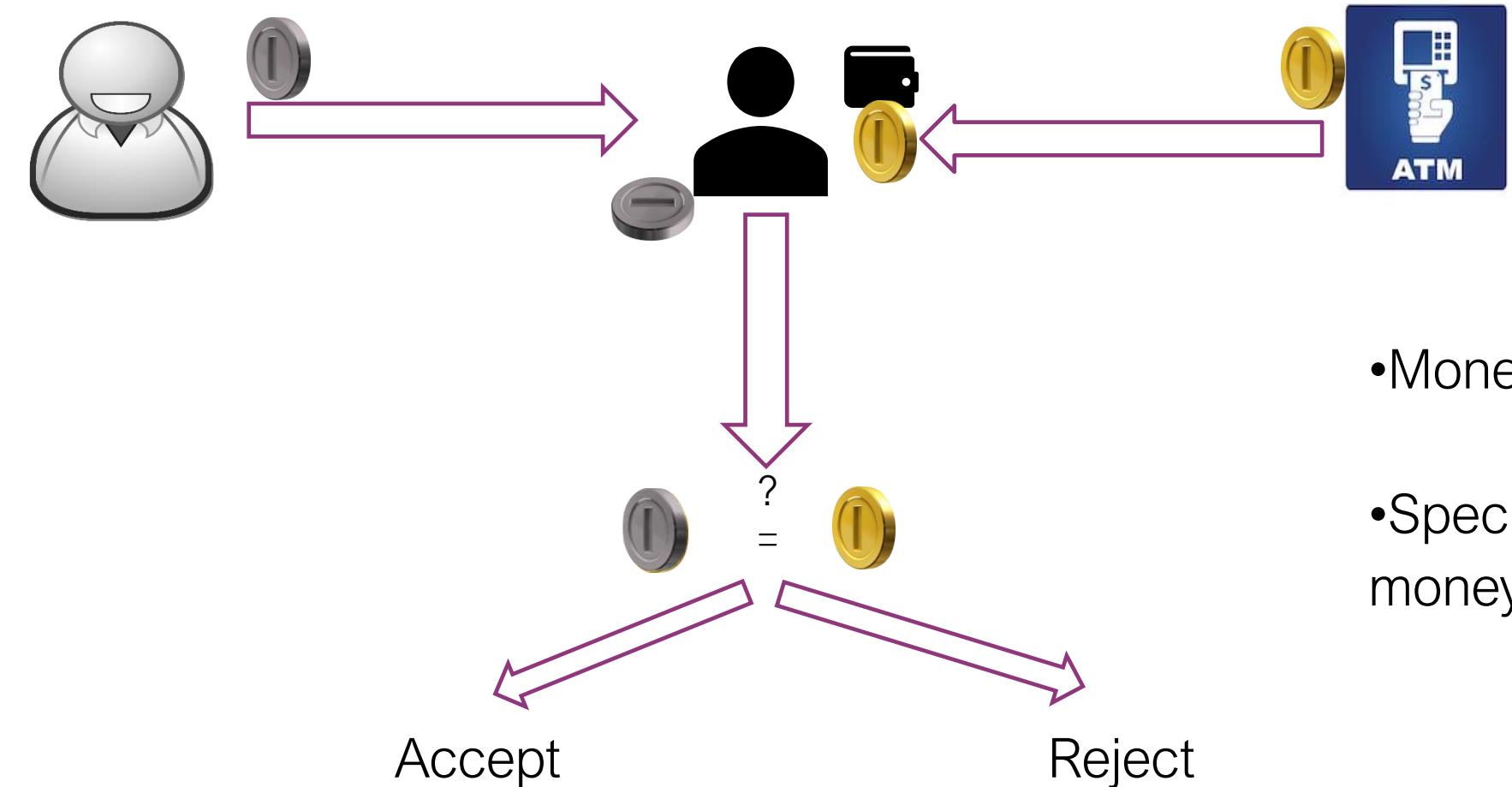
- *Almost* Public Quantum Money from standard assumption.
- Almost Public Quantum Coin construction.
- Other meaningful notions of security.
- Comparison-based Verification.



# OUR CONSTRUCTION



# COMPARISON-BASED VERIFICATION



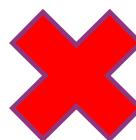
## Observations

- Money states should be identical.
- Specific security features of the money not required.

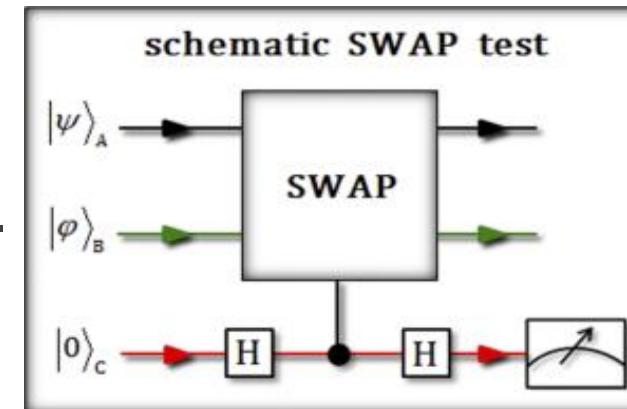
# CHALLENGE IN QUANTUM SETTING

How to compare two quantum states?

➤ Attempt: SWAP TEST?



➤ Accepts product states with probability  $\geq \frac{1}{2}$ .  
➤ 0 to 1 forging possible.



➤ Solution: Symmetric subspace projective measurement.  
➤ Each coin is  $k$  mini coins/registers.  
➤ Measurement projecting onto the Symmetric subspace of  $2k$  registers.

# OUR CONSTRUCTION

Public Quantum Coin

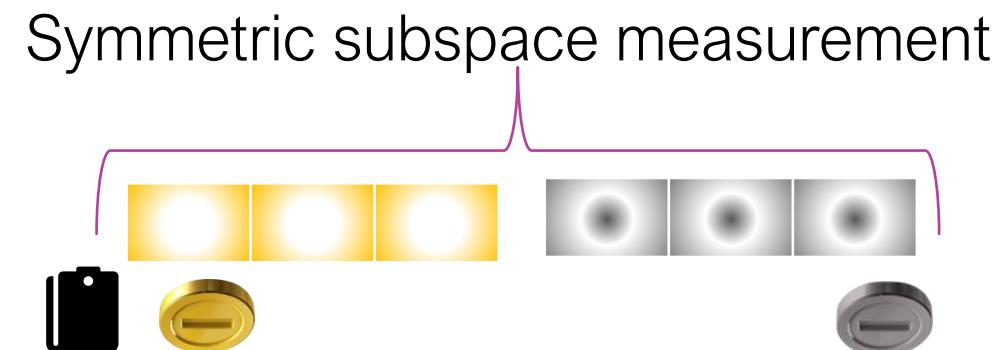
Private Quantum Coin *Keygen, Mint, Verify*  
 $|\mathfrak{m}\rangle$

- **Keygen:** Same as *Keygen*
- **Mint:** Repeat *Mint*  $k$  times.  $|\mathfrak{c}\rangle = |\mathfrak{m}\rangle^{\otimes k}$
- **Verify:** Comparison-based verification.

Symmetric subspace over  $m$  registers

$Sym(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes m})$ :  $m$  register pure states

invariant under any permutation of registers.

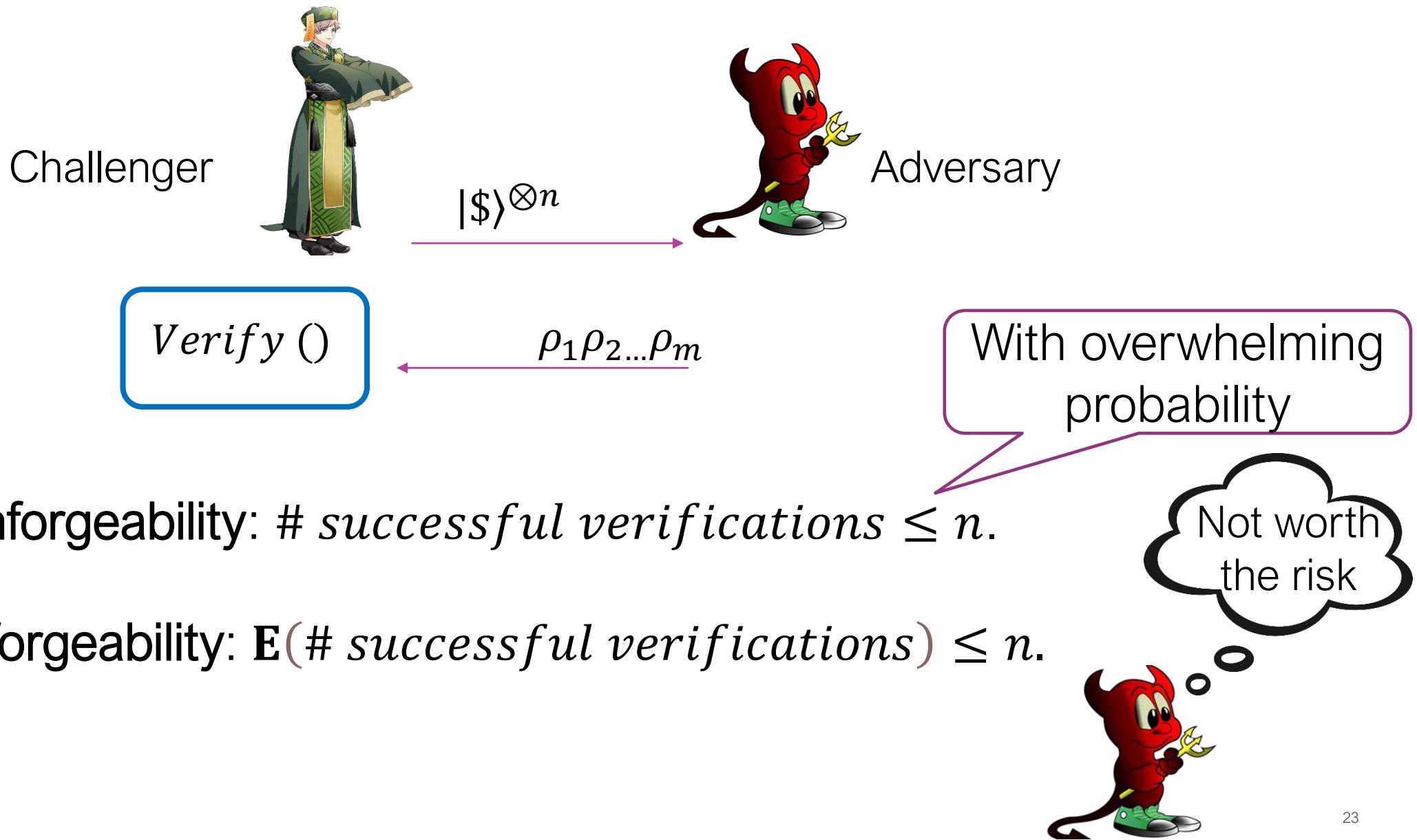




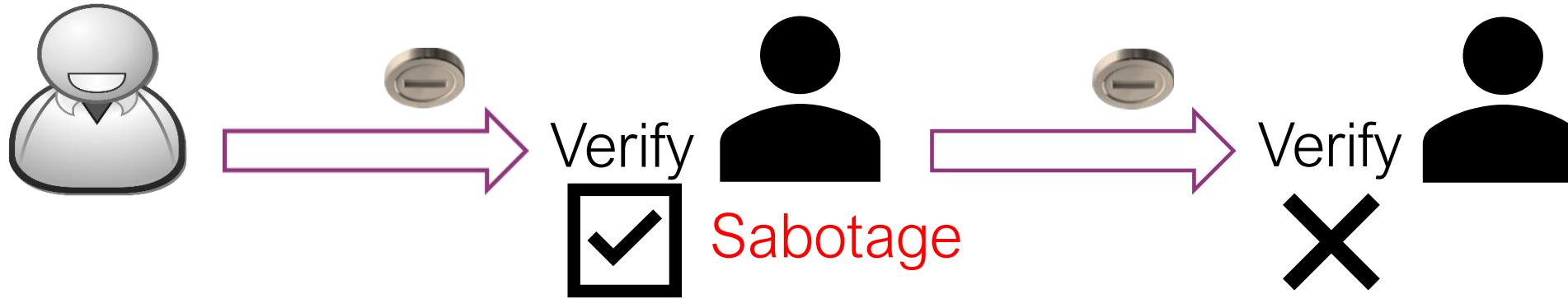
# SECURITY DEFINITION AND MAIN RESULTS



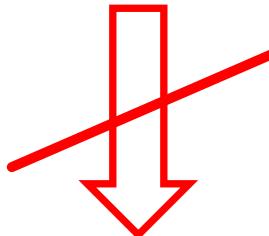
# UNFORGEABILITY GAME (INFORMAL)



# IS UNFORGEABILITY ENOUGH?

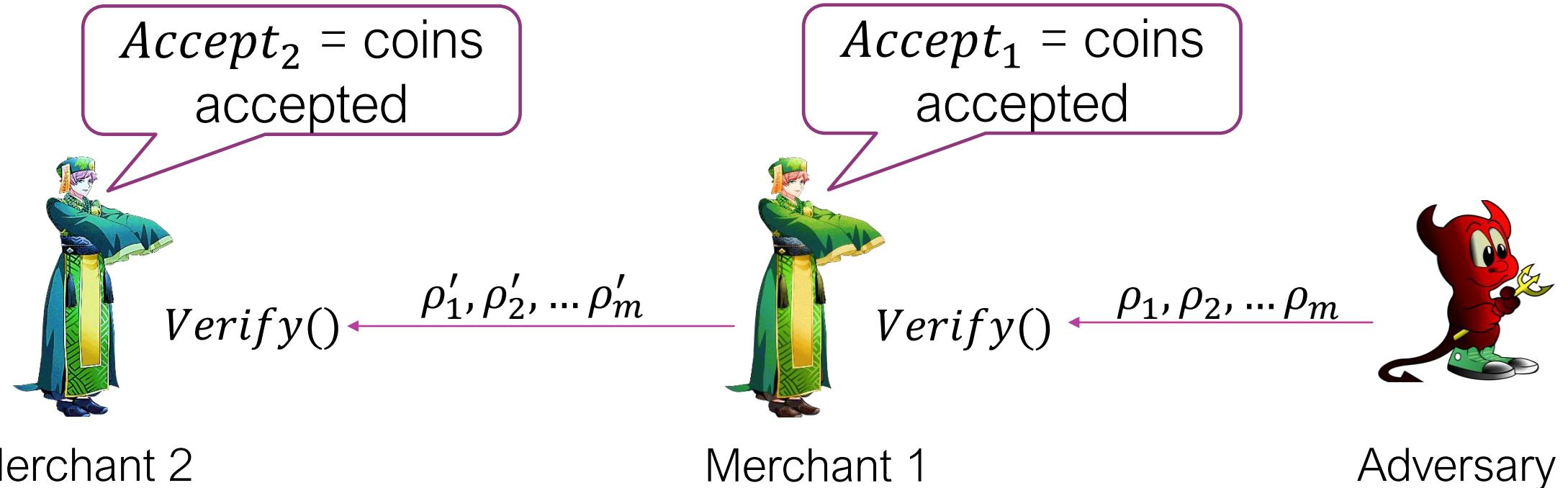


Unforgeability, Completeness



Security against Sabotage

## SABOTAGE GAME (INFORMAL)



Standard Security against Sabotage:  $Accept_1 \leq Accept_2$ .

With overwhelming probability

Rational Security against Sabotage:  $E(Accept_1) \leq E(Accept_2)$ .

# LIFTING RESULT

Unforgeable

Private Quantum  
Coin Scheme

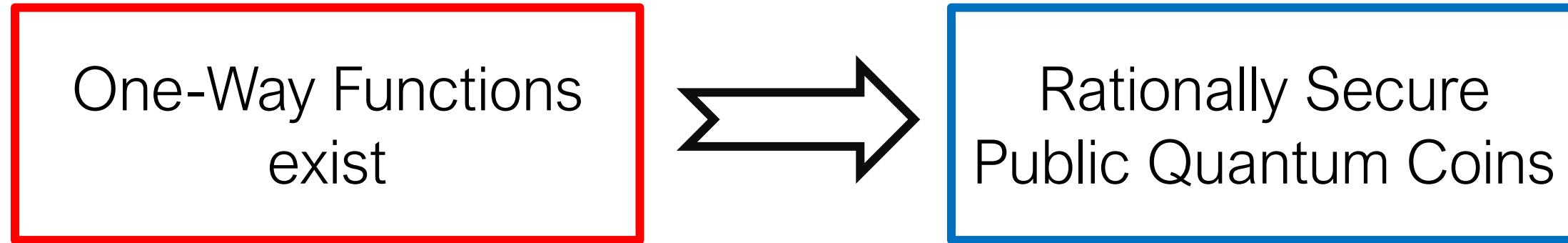
MS10, JLS18, AMR20

Our  
construction

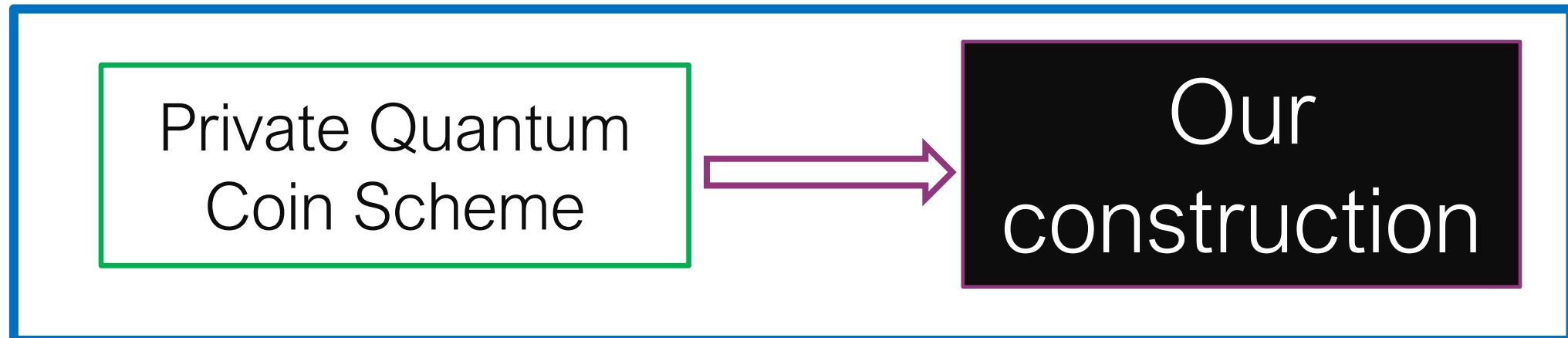


Rationally Secure  
Public Quantum Coins

# MAIN RESULT



## OTHER RESULTS



Resulting Public Quantum Coin Construction		
Private Coins Scheme	Memory dependent	Efficiency
MS10	No	Inefficient
AMR20	Yes	Efficient

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# PROPERTIES OF OUR CONSTRUCTION

## Negatives

1. Rational Secure.
2. Fresh coin required for every received transaction.

## Positives

1. Real world adversaries are rational.
2. Need to visit the bank only once in a while.

Practically, no less than a public quantum coin scheme!



# TECHNICAL RESULTS

1.0 TO 1 UNFORGEABILITY

2. OPTIMAL  $n \rightarrow n + 1$  FORGERY

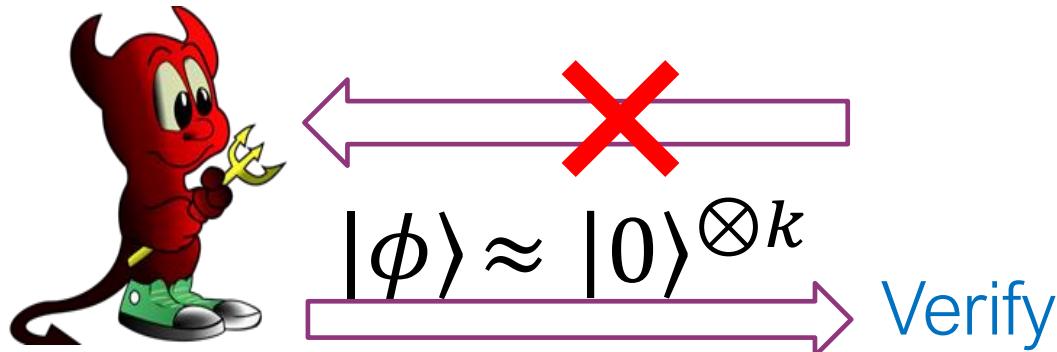
## 0 TO 1 UNFORGEABILITY

Private coin

$$|\mathfrak{p}\rangle = |1\rangle \in \mathbb{C}^2$$

Public coin

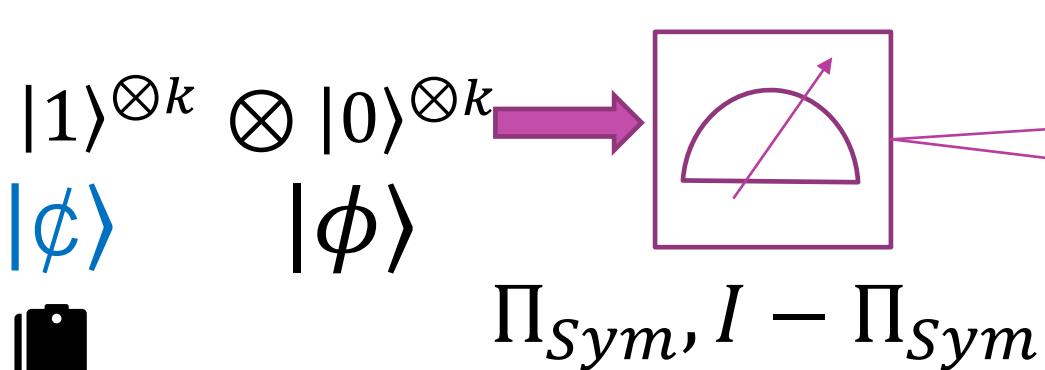
$$|\mathcal{C}\rangle = |1\rangle^{\otimes k}$$



Unforgeability of private scheme

Hamming weight on measuring  $|\phi\rangle = 0$

Verify:



$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\binom{2k}{k}}} \sum_{\substack{b \in \{0,1\}^{2k} \\ wt(b)=k}} \otimes_{i=1}^{2k} |b_i\rangle$$

Forgery probability

$$\frac{1}{\binom{2k}{k}}$$

$Sym^\perp$

Accept

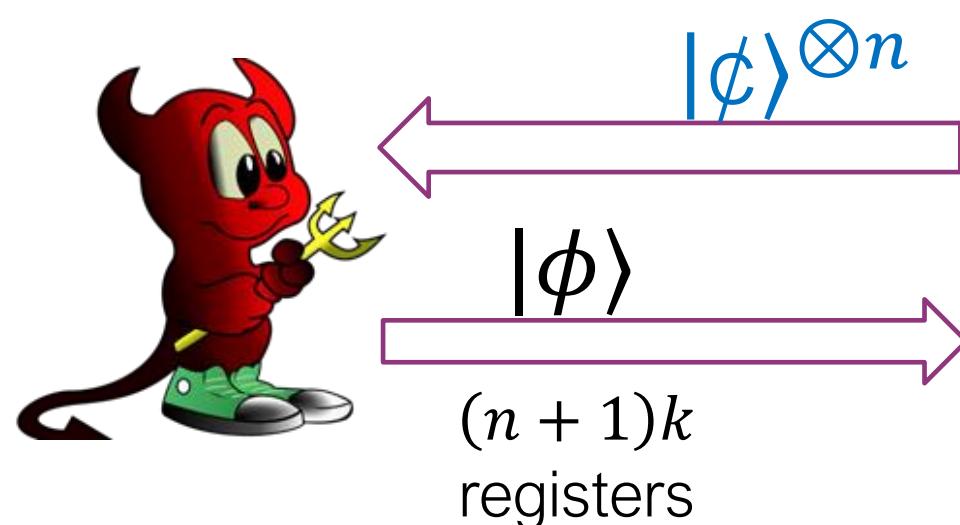
Reject

Negligible!

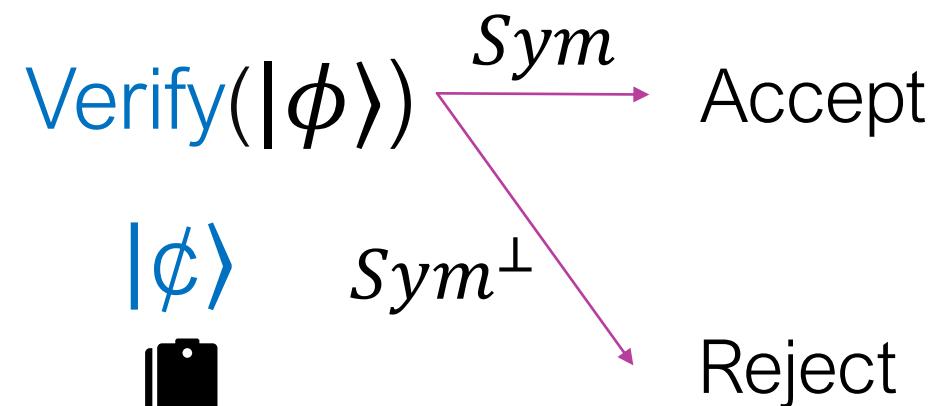
## OPTIMAL FORGERY $n \rightarrow n + 1$

Public coin:

$$|\psi\rangle = |1\rangle^{\otimes k} \in \mathcal{H}^{\otimes k}$$



Hamming weight on  
measuring  $|\phi\rangle \leq nk$



Forgery probability  
Maximize  $|\Pi_{Sym}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |\phi\rangle)|^2$



# USING PROPERTIES OF SYMMETRIC SUBSPACE

$$|\phi\rangle \in \text{Sym}(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes(n+1)k})^\perp \Rightarrow \Pi_{\text{Sym}}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |\phi\rangle) = 0$$

Maximize  $|\phi\rangle$  Forging Probability  $|\Pi_{\text{Sym}}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |\phi\rangle)|^2$

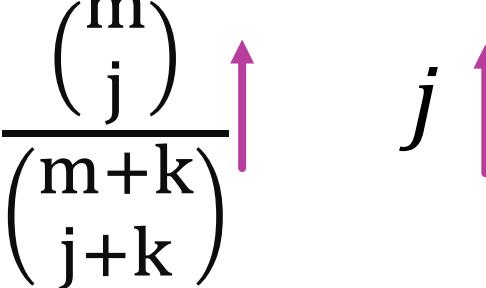
Hamming weight on measuring  $|\phi\rangle \leq nk$

$$|\phi_{opt}\rangle \in \text{Sym}(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes(n+1)k})$$



# BASIS FOR SYMMETRIC SUBSPACE

$$Sym(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes m}) \quad \{|Sym_j\rangle\}_{0 \leq j \leq m} \quad |Sym_j\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\binom{m}{j}}} \sum_{\substack{b \in \{0,1\}^m \\ \text{wt}(b)=j}} \otimes_{i=1}^m |b_i\rangle$$

1. Hamming weight on measuring  $|Sym_j\rangle = j$ .
2.  $(\langle 1|^{\otimes k} \otimes \langle Sym_i|) \Pi_{Sym} (|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |Sym_j\rangle) = 0$ .
3.  $|\Pi_{Sym}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |Sym_j\rangle)|^2 = \frac{\binom{m}{j}}{\binom{m+k}{j+k}}$  

## OPTIMAL FORGER $n \rightarrow n + 1$

$$|\phi_{opt}\rangle \in \{|Sym_j\rangle\}_{j \leq nk}$$

$$|\phi_{opt}\rangle = |Sym_{nk}\rangle$$



Maximize  $|\phi\rangle$   $|\Pi_{Sym}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |\phi\rangle)|^2$

- Hamming weight on measuring  $|\phi\rangle \leq nk$ .
- $|\phi\rangle \in Sym(\mathcal{H}^{\otimes (n+1)k})$ .

Optimal forgery probability

$$|\Pi_{Sym}(|1\rangle^{\otimes k} \otimes |Sym_{nk}\rangle)|^2 = \frac{\binom{(n+1)k}{nk}}{\binom{(n+1)k}{(n+2)k}} \approx \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^k \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Not Standard  
Unforgeable



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# SUMMARY OF TECHNICAL RESULTS

- 0 to 1 Unforgeability.
- Optimal  $n$  to  $n + 1$  forgery.
  - Our construction is standard forgeable. 
  - Our construction is rational unforgeable. 

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## DISCUSSIONS AND OPEN QUESTIONS

- Can comparison-based verification be useful – quantum copy-protection, quantum tokens for digital signatures, secure software leasing, etc?
- Does there exist (standard) unforgeable public quantum money scheme from standard assumptions?



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