

Collusion-Resistant Copy-Protection for Watermarkable Functionalities

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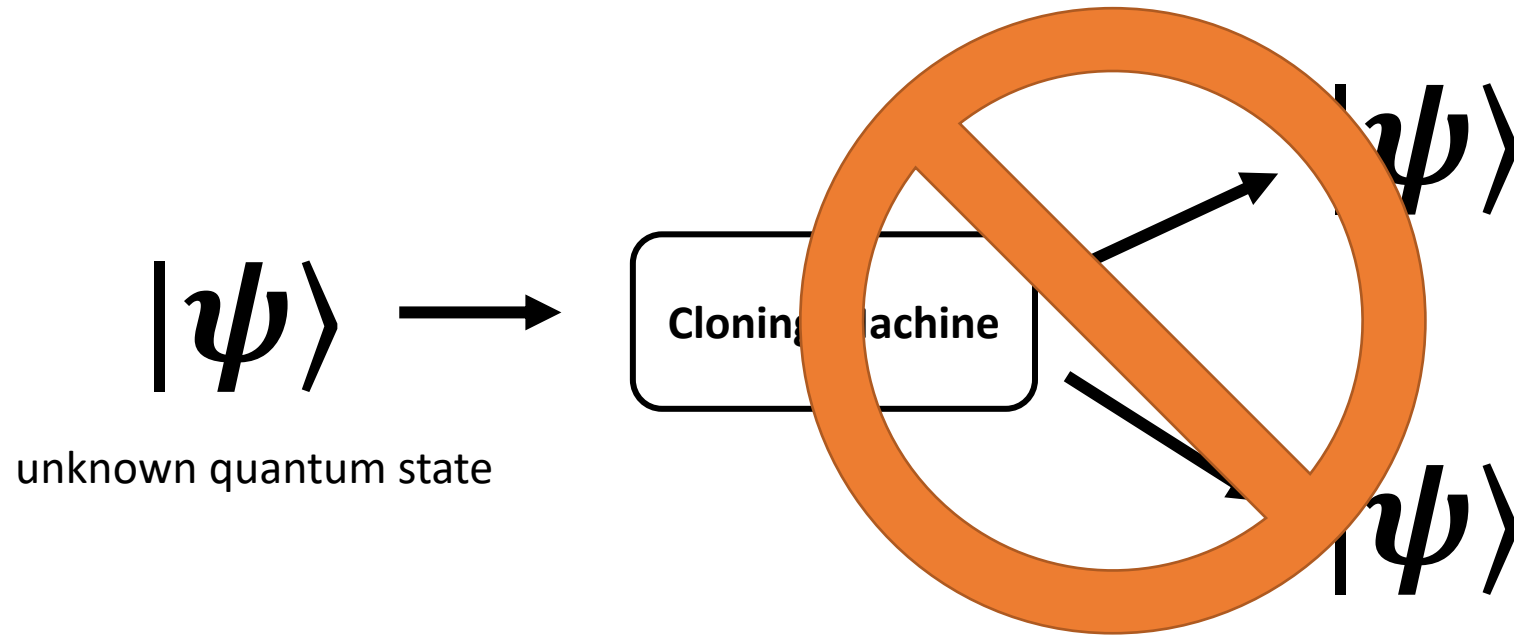


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No-Cloning Theorem



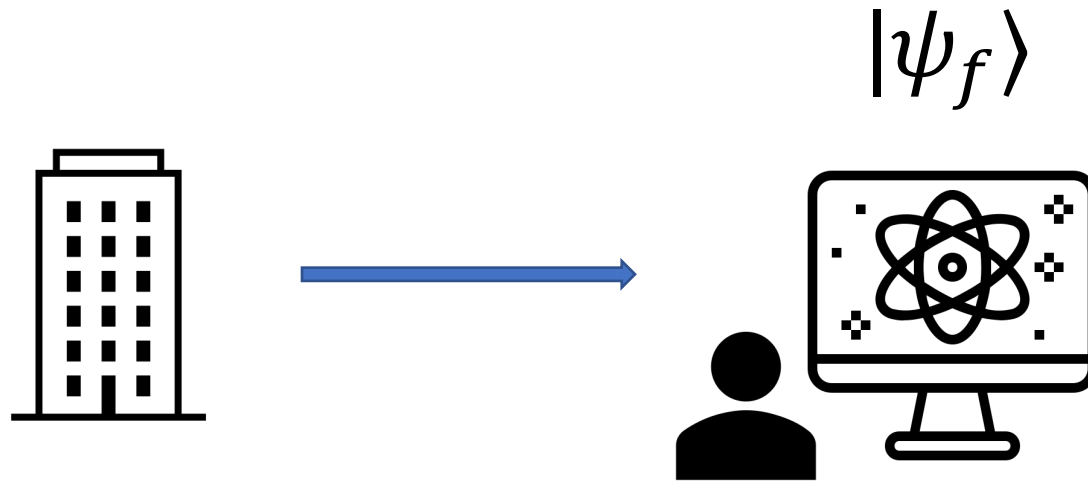
Classically Impossible Primitives

- QKD [BB'84]
- Quantum Money [Wiesner'69, AC'12, Zhandry'19...]
- Quantum Copy-Protection [Aaronson'09, CLLZ'21 ...]
- Signature Token [BS'16, AGKZ'20, CLLZ'21]
- Unclonable Encryption, Decryption [Gottesman'02, BL'19, GZ'20, CLLZ'21]
- ...

Quantum Copy Protection

Can we obtain unclonable states with "functionalities"?

[Aaronson09]: Quantum Copy Protection for softwares

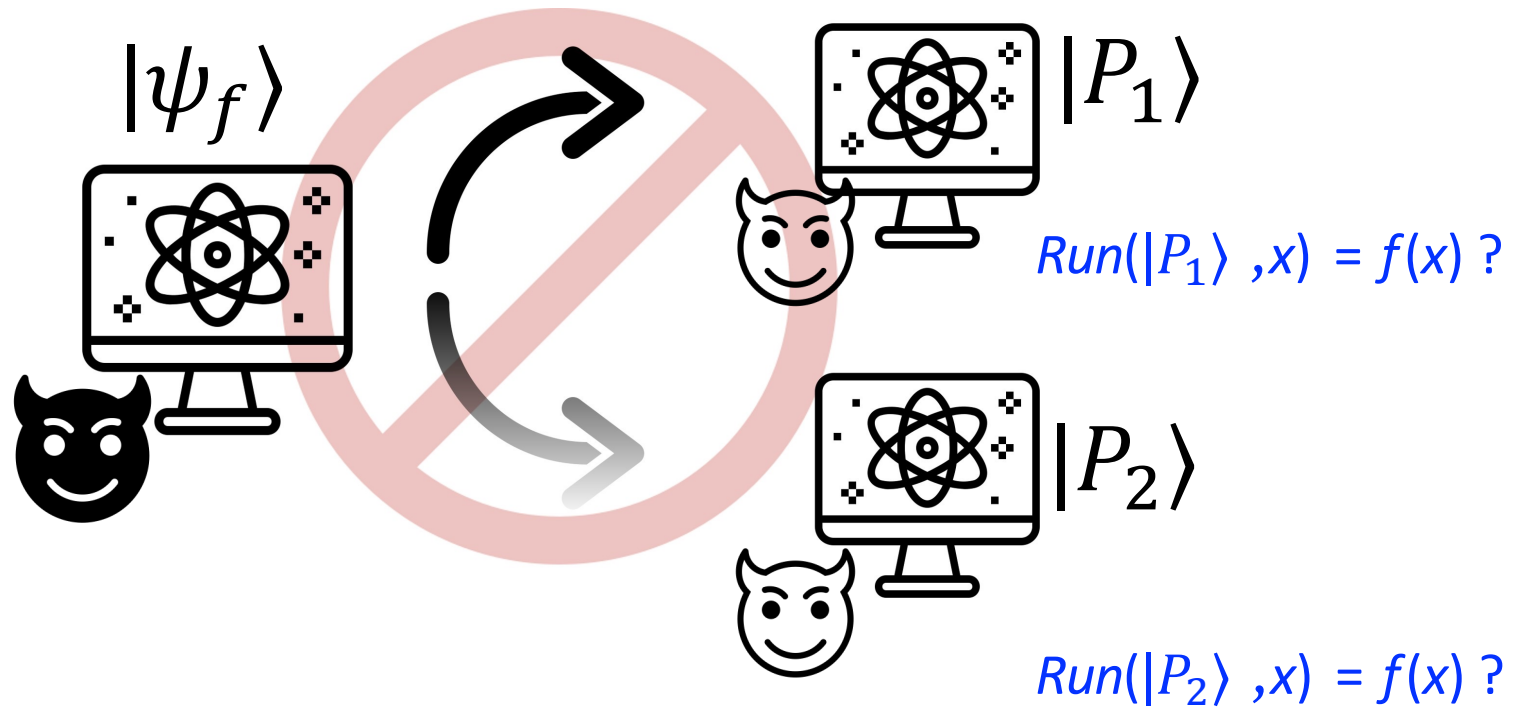


Classical: $f \xrightarrow{\text{copy-protect}} |\psi_f\rangle$

$$\forall x, \text{Run}(|\psi_f\rangle, x) = f(x)$$

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Detour: Watermarking

- Watermarking:
 - cannot remove watermark without destroying functionality
- Copy-protection:
 - cannot clone without destroying functionality
- Intuitively, goal of adversary is to create illegal copies
 - Watermarking is the classical analogy of copy-protection
- Known watermarkable functionalities: decryption, PRF, signatures
 - [CHN+15, KW17, YAL+19, GKM+19, ...]

Some Previous Results

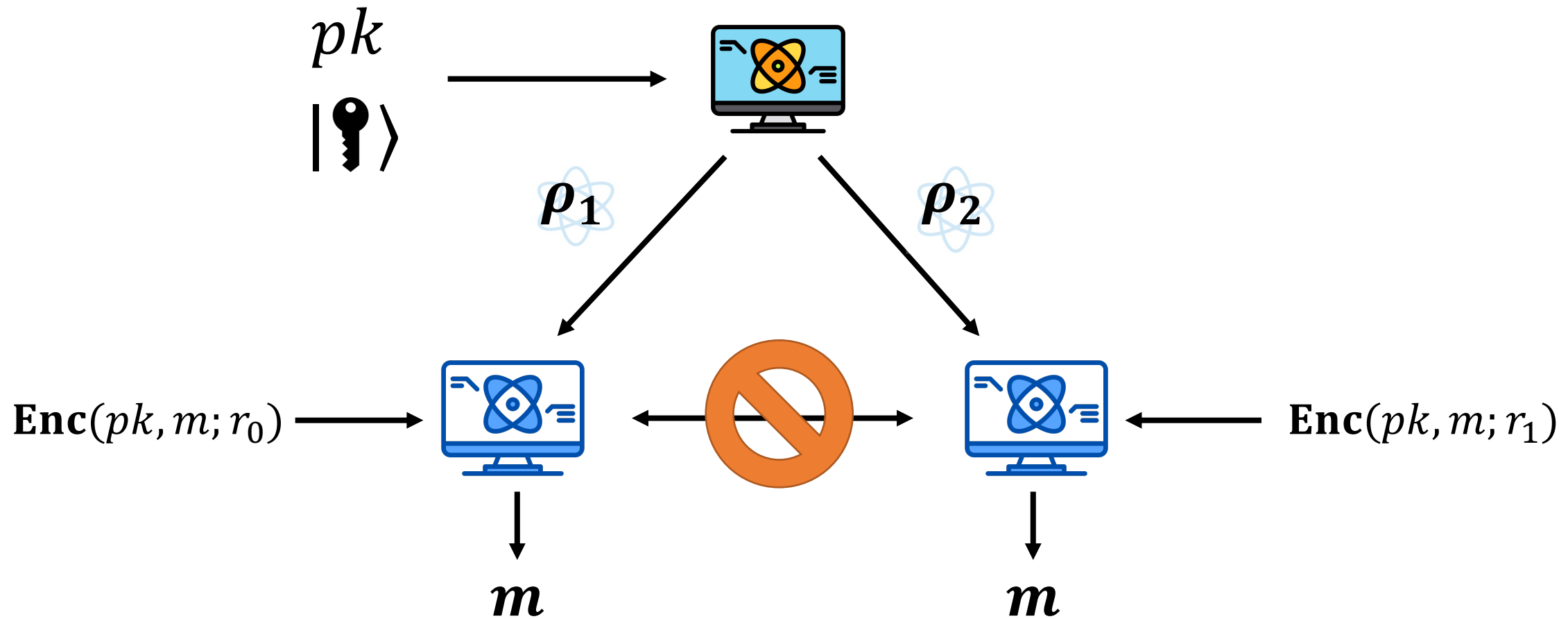
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[ALL+21]: Can all watermarkable functions be copy-protected?

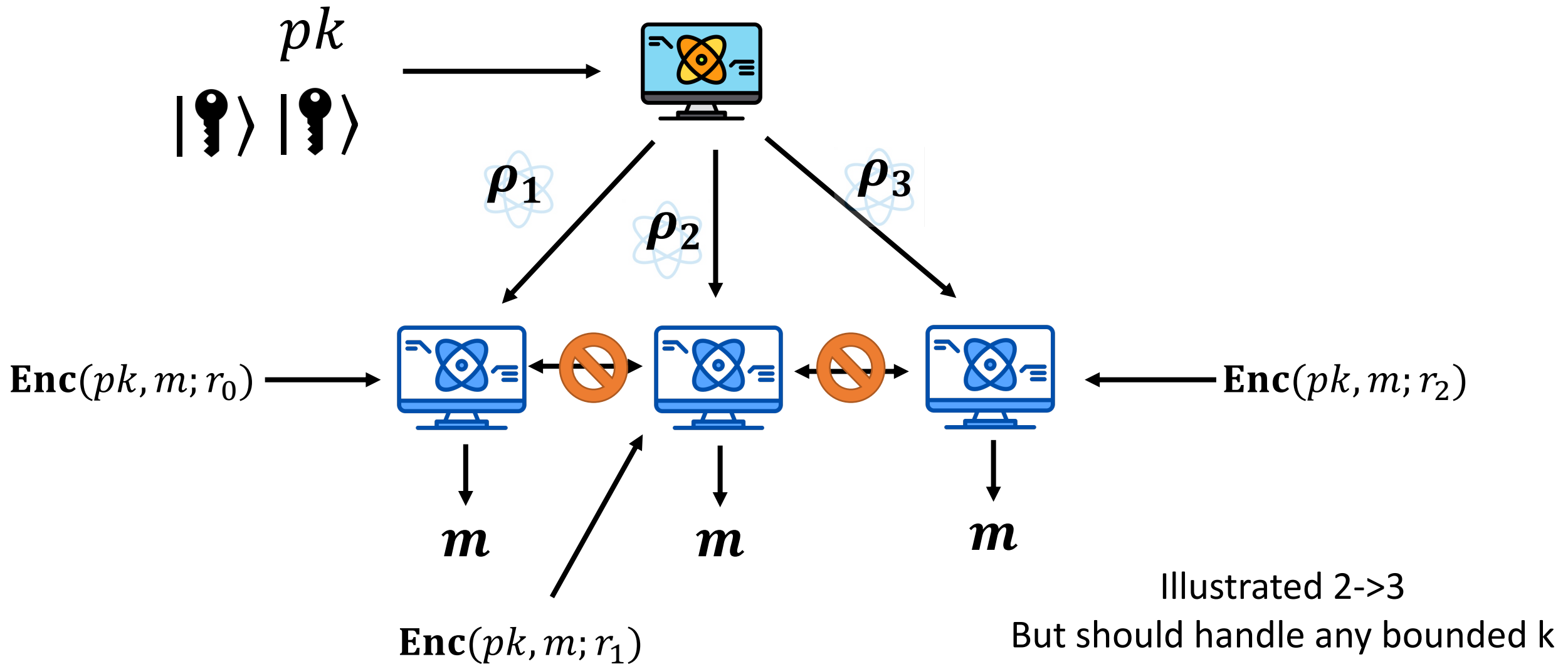
Unclonable Decryption (1->2) [CLLZ'21]

- **KeyGen**(λ): outputs $pk, | \text{key} \rangle$
- **Enc**(pk, m): outputs c
- **Dec**($| \text{key} \rangle, c$): outputs m

Unclonable Decryption Key[GZ20,CLLZ21]



Collusion-Resistance ($k \rightarrow k+1$)



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Not Collusion-Resistant!

Our Results: Collusion-Resistant CP

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All Made Collusion Resistant!

Unclonable Decryption (2->3) [This Work]

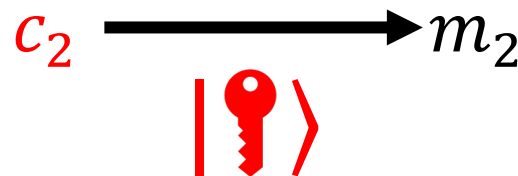
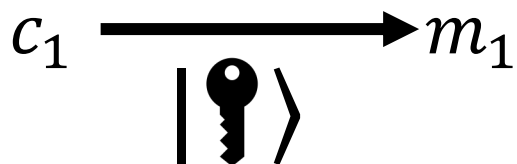
- **KeyGen**(λ): outputs pk pk $| \blacklozenge \rangle$ $| \redlozenge \rangle$

- **Enc**(pk , pk , m): outputs $c =$

$$\text{Enc}(pk, m) \quad \text{Enc}(pk, m)$$

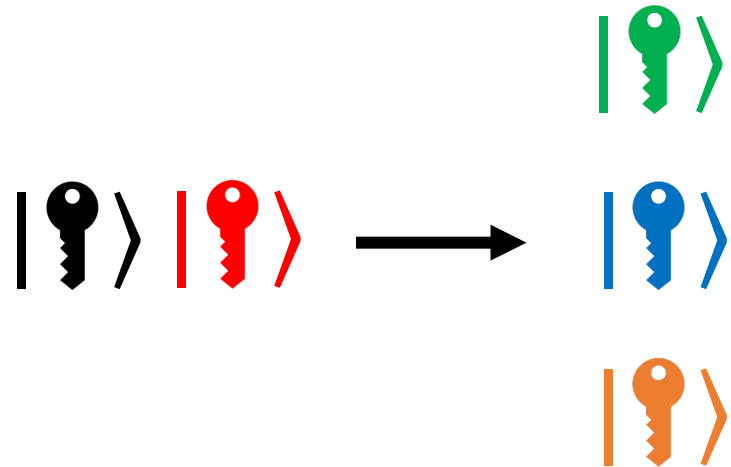
- **Dec**($| \blacklozenge \rangle$, $| \redlozenge \rangle$, c):

- Use either key to decrypt any of the cipher $c = c_1 c_2$



Reduction idea: reduce to 1-2 security

- Produce three keys

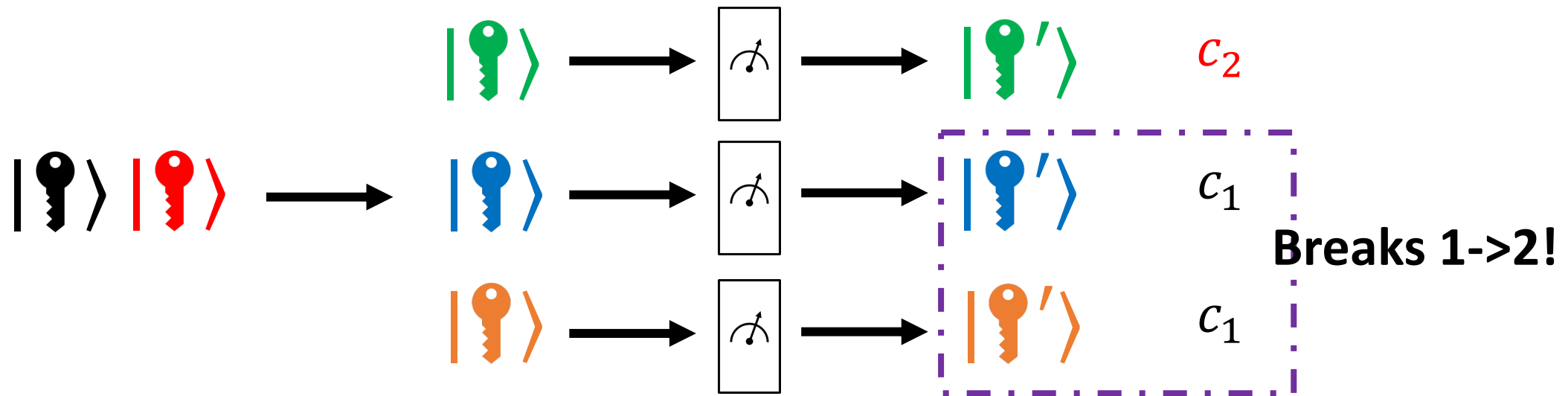


- Each decrypts one of c_1 and c_2

- (Classical) Pigeonhole principle?
 - **Not working!**

$$C = c_1 c_2$$

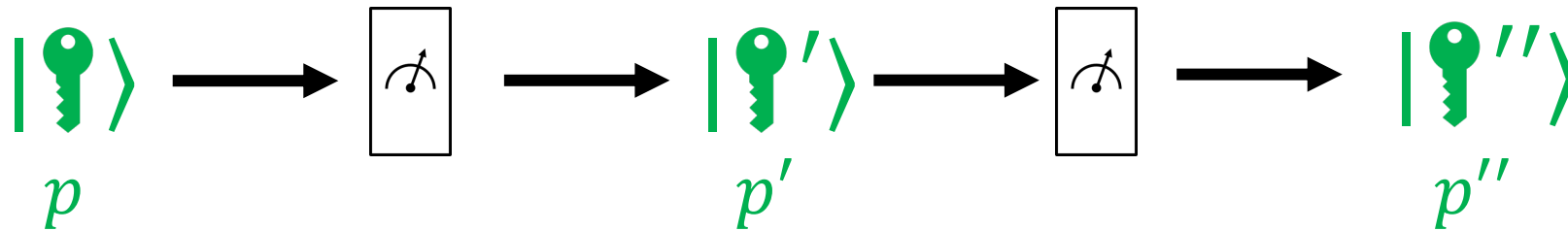
Reduction idea [This work]



$c = c_1 c_2$ **Technique:** Measure which ciphertext to decrypt

Technical Details: High-level

Pirate Decryption keys:

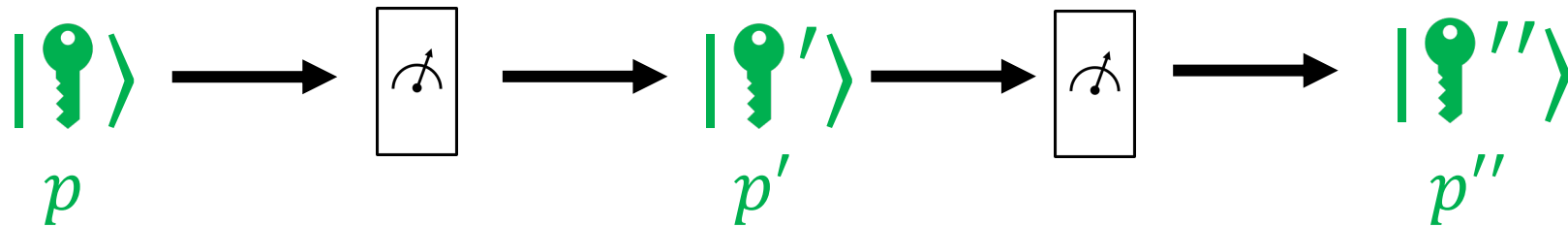


p : decryption probability over uniform $c = c_1 c_2$

p' : decryption probability over uniform $c = \perp c_2$

p'' : decryption probability over uniform $c = \perp \perp$

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p : decryption probability over uniform $c = c_1 c_2$

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If $p - p' \geq 1/\text{poly}$, $|key\rangle$ must decrypt c_1

More subtlety to handle!

Open Problems

- Unbounded Collusion-Resistant? i.e. KeyGen does not depend on number of keys issued
- Collusion-resistant copy protection for all unlearnable functions?

Thank you!