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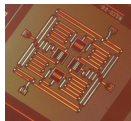
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Why Quantum Computing? Why now?

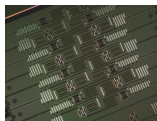
- The history of Integrated Circuits (IC)
 - 1958: First integrated circuit (1cm^2 , 2 transistors)
 - 1971: Moore's Law is born (2,300 transistors)
 - 2014: IBM P8 Processor, 16 cores (650mm^2 , > 4.2 billion transistors)
- Quantum Computers¹



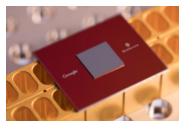
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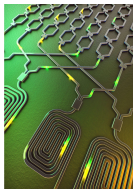


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- Photon-based Quantum Computers are under construction!



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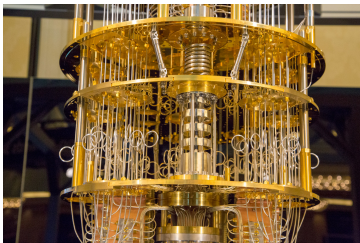
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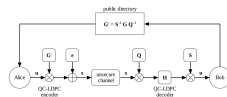
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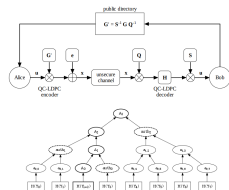


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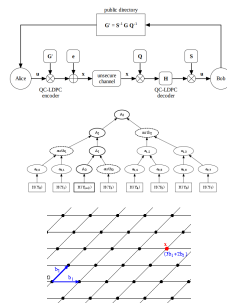
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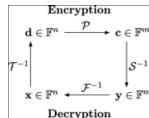
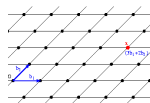
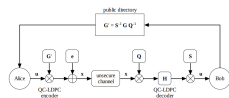
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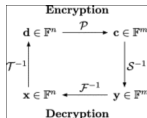
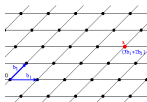
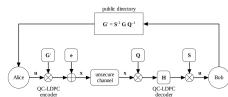
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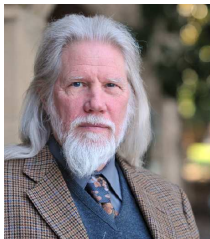
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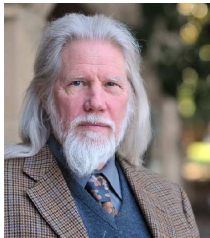
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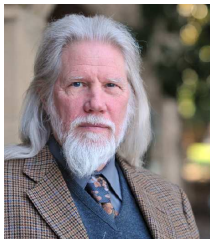
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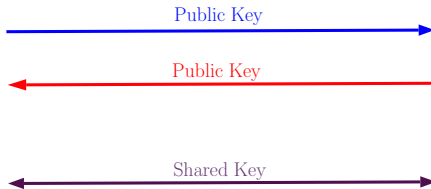
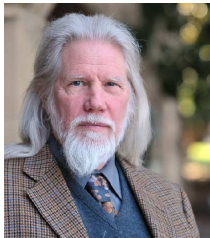
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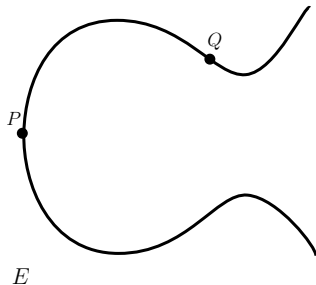


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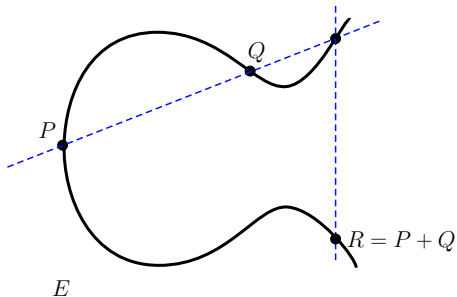


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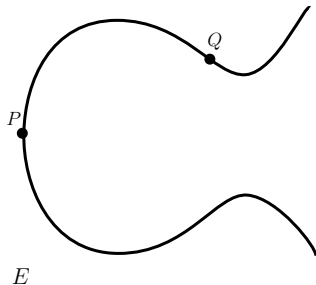


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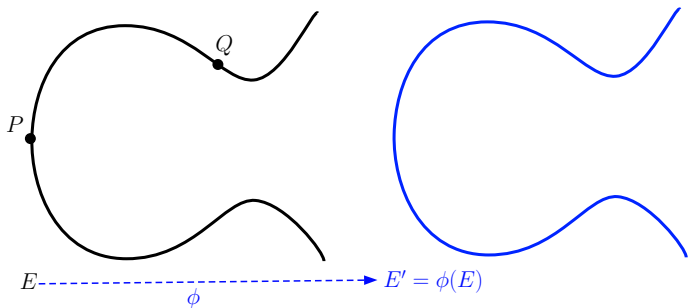


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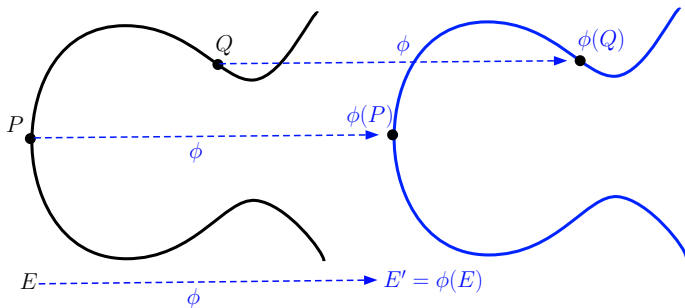


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- Supersingular Isogeny Key Encapsulation ([SIKE](#)) by Jao et al. submitted to NIST PQC Standardization 2017.

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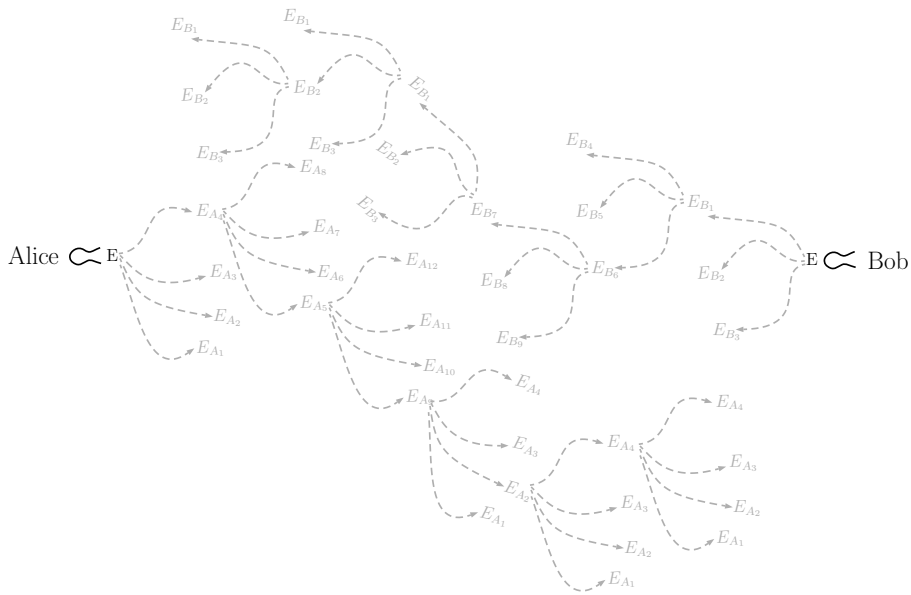
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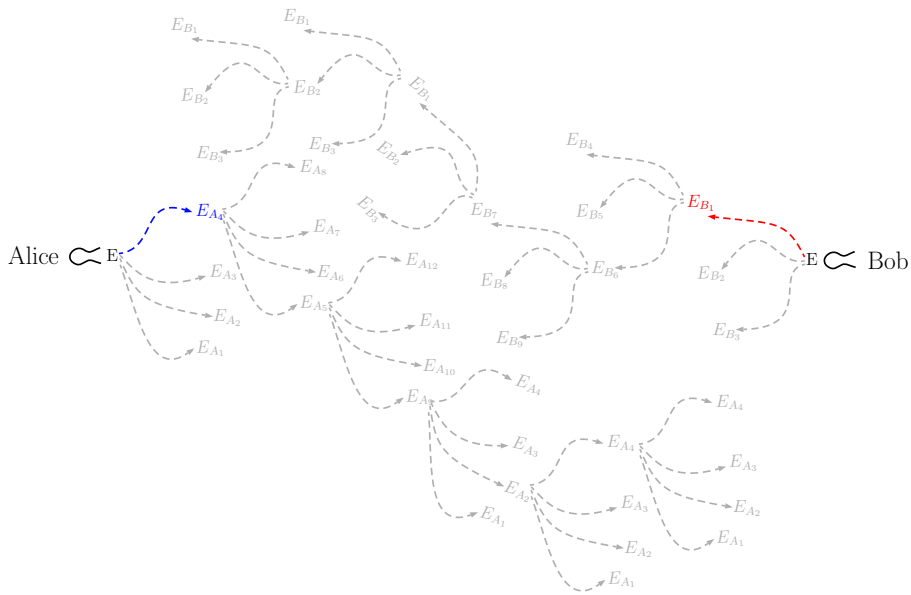
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- Claw finding algorithm complexity for SIKE and SIDH:
 - $\mathcal{O}(p^{1/6}) \rightarrow$ **Quantum attacks**
- The best known classical attack is based on **meet in the middle**
 - $\mathcal{O}(p^{1/4}) \rightarrow$ **Classical attacks**

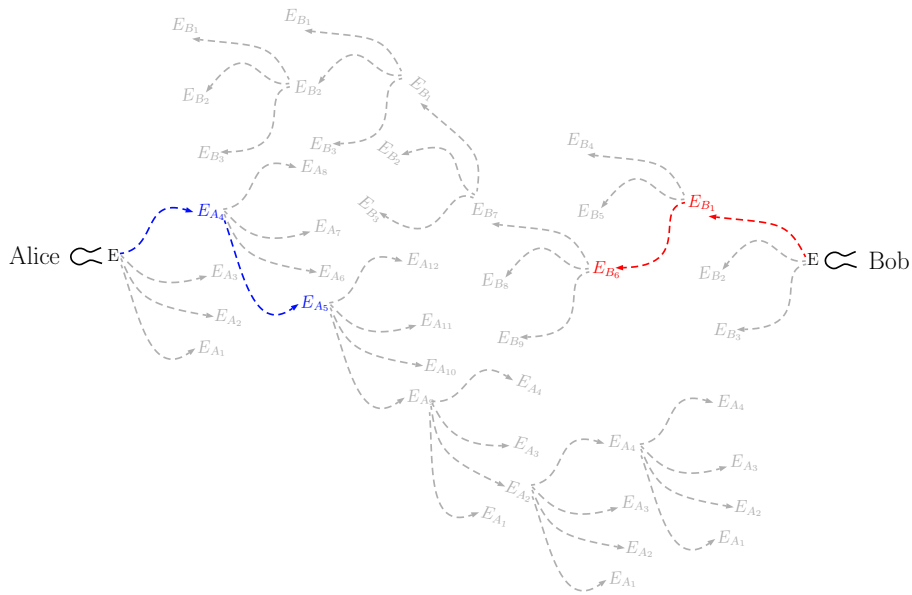
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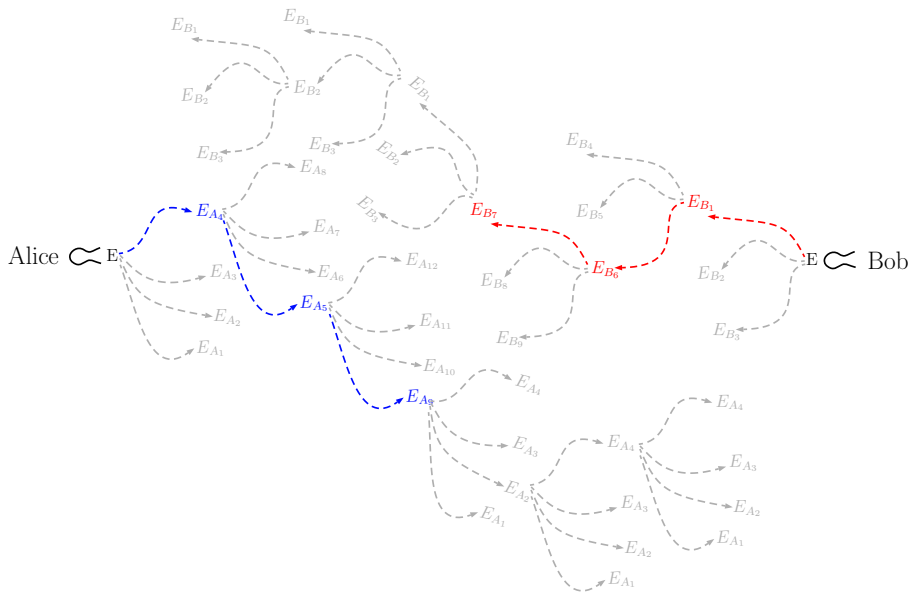
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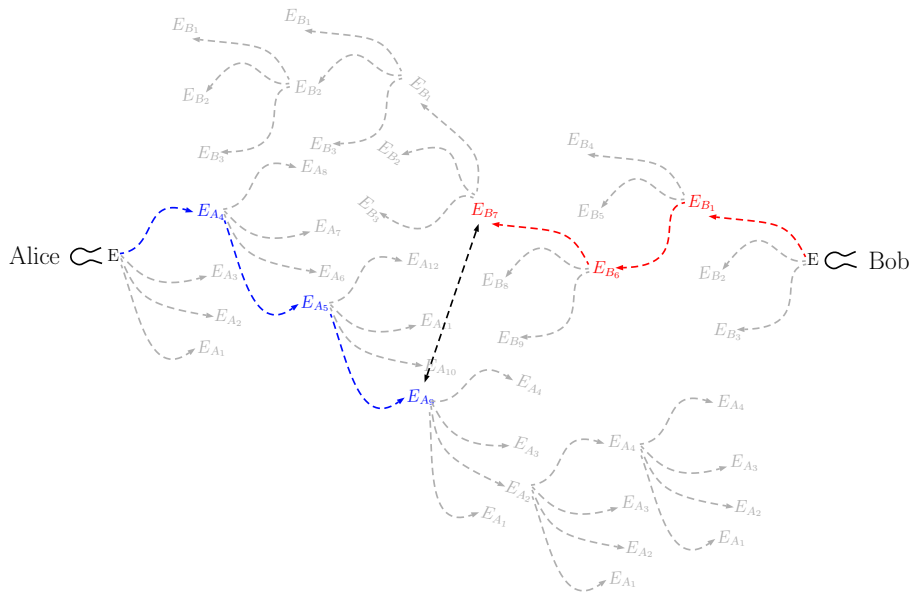
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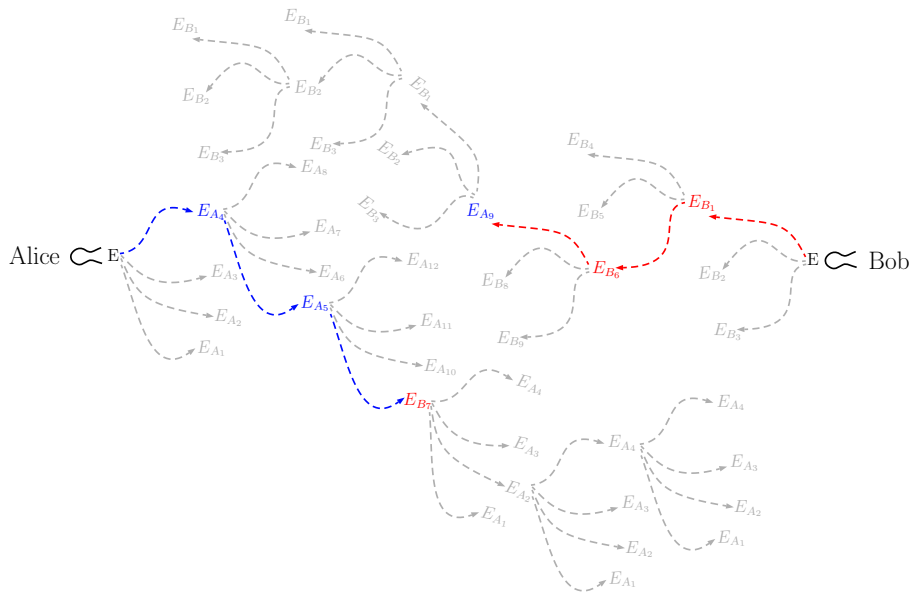
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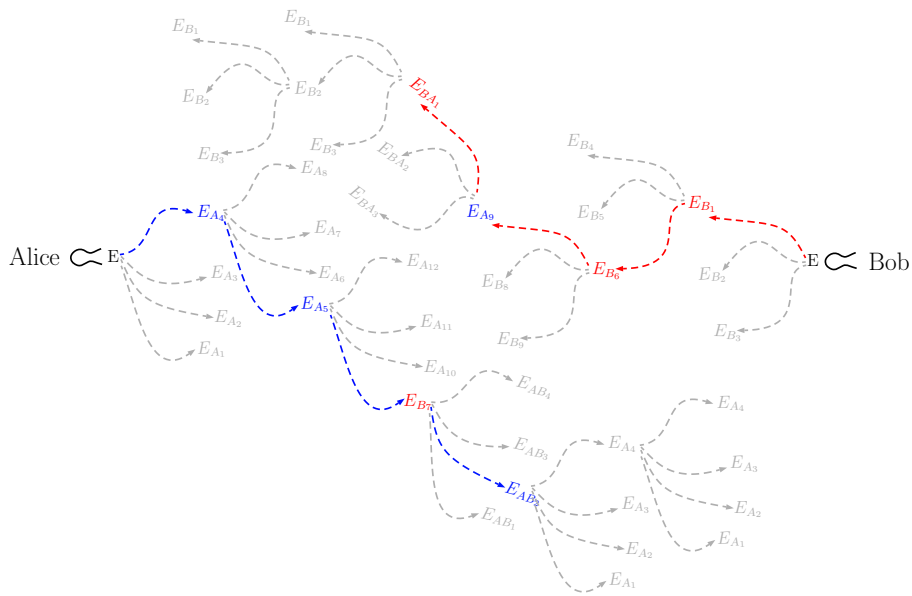
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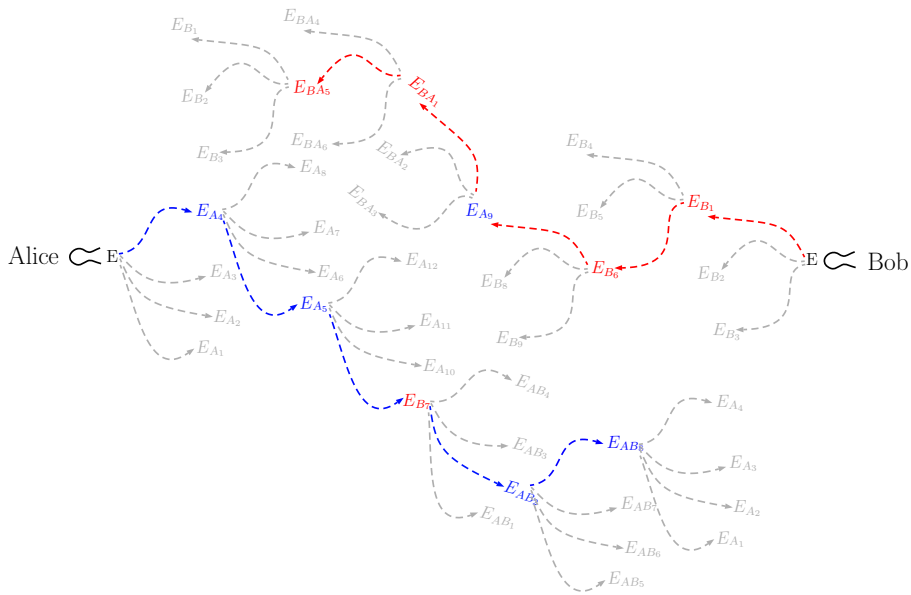
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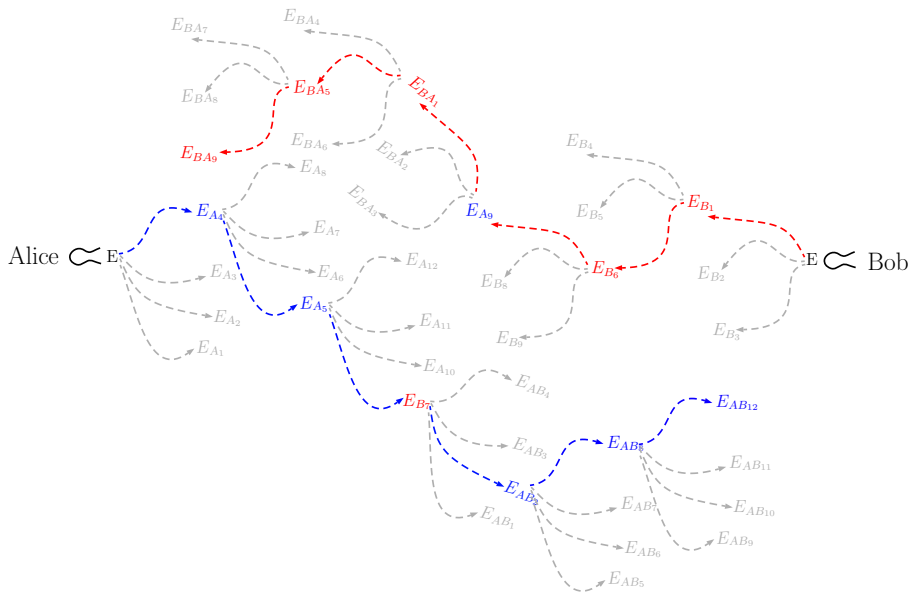
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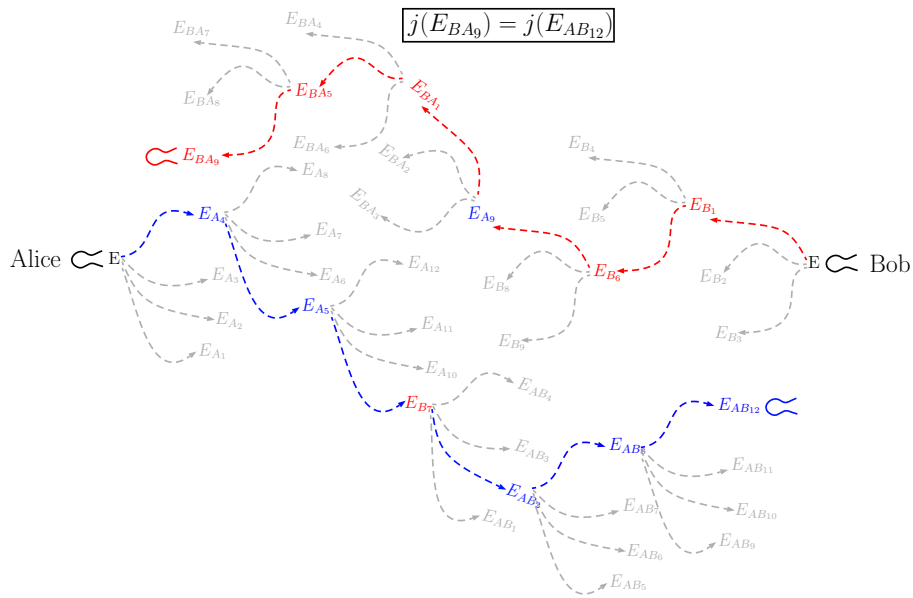
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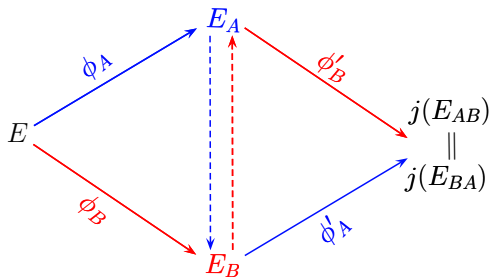


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Table: Communication bandwidth of some NIST PQC candidate KEMs in terms of public-key, secret-key, and transmitted ciphertext during the key encapsulation process.

Candidate	Primitive	Size (Bytes)		
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NewHope1024	RLWE	1824	3680	2208
Saber	Mod-LWR	992	2304	1088
NTRU-HRSS17	LWE	1138	1418	1278
Kyber-768	LWE	1088	2400	1152
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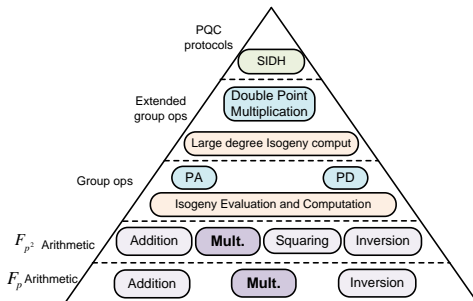
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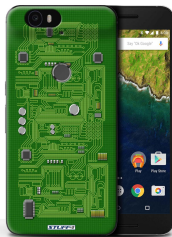
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Different Families of Processors:

- ARMv7-M → 32-bit Low-Power (Performance is challenging)
- ARMv7-A → 32-bit High-Performance with NEON Instruction set
- ARMv8-A → 64-bit High-Performance with Adv. SIMD instruction set



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Figure: ARMv7-A Cortex-A15 (Jetson TK1 Board) and ARMv8-A Cortex-A57 (Nexus smartphone)

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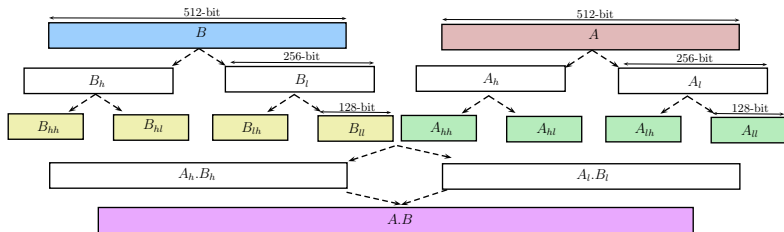
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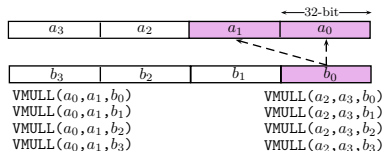
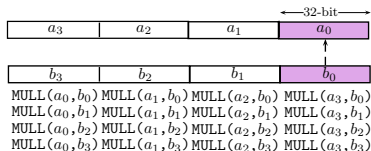


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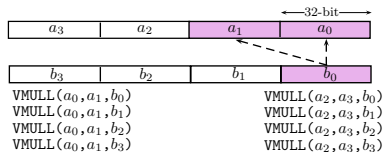
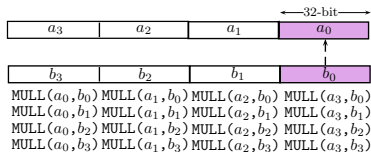
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Thank You!