

General Randomness Amplification with non-signaling security

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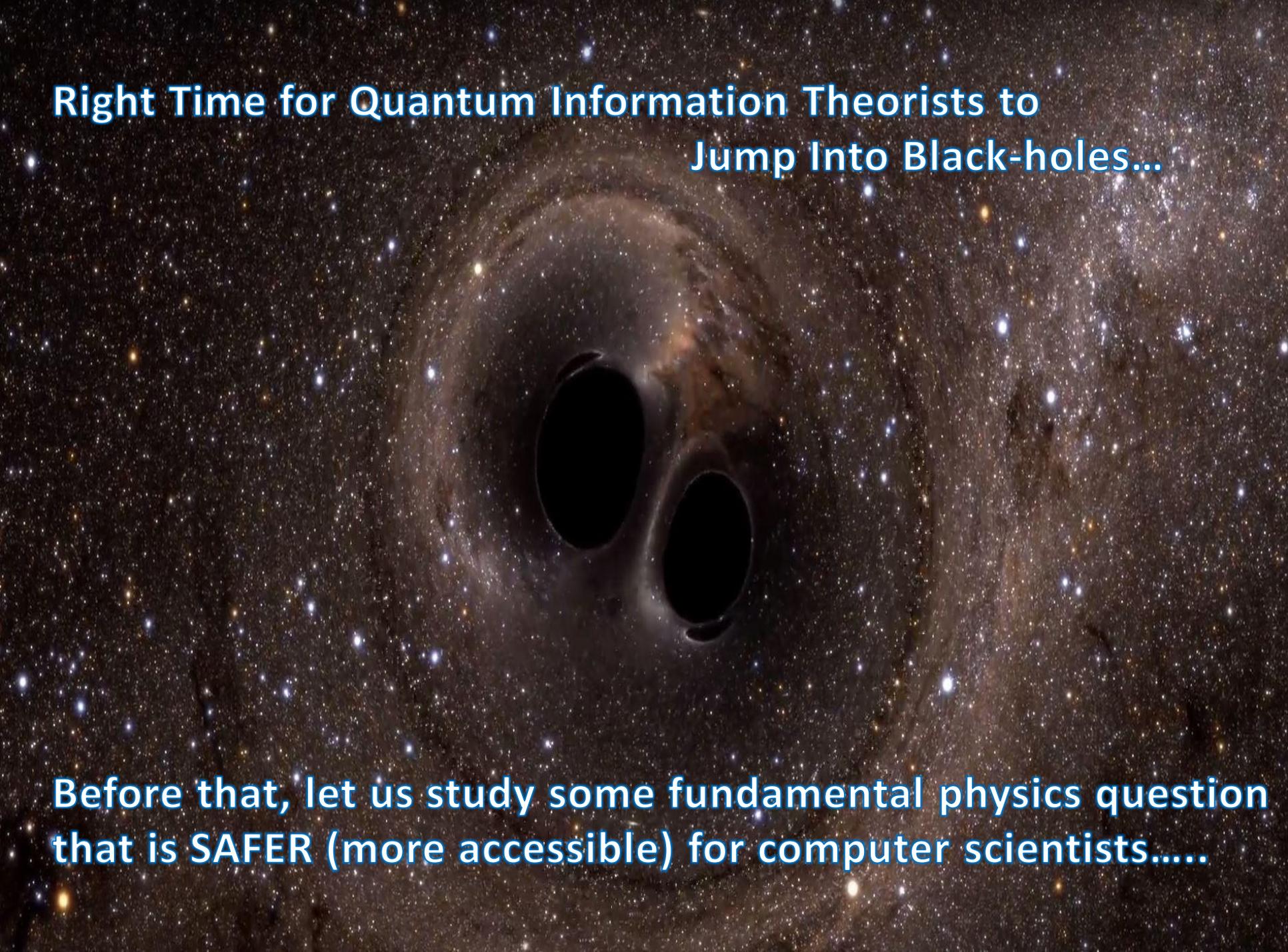
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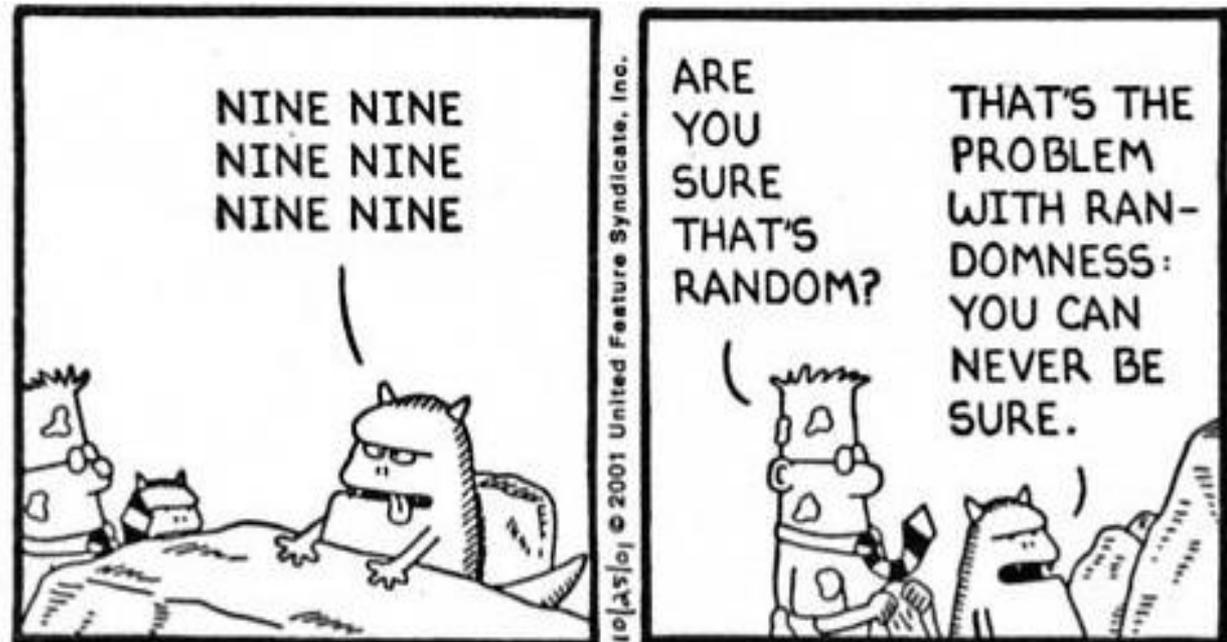
The background of the slide is a deep space image showing a vast field of stars. In the center, there is a dark, irregularly shaped region that resembles a black hole or a gravitational well, with some faint, glowing structures around it. The text is overlaid on this image.

Right Time for Quantum Information Theorists to Jump Into Black-holes...

Before that, let us study some fundamental physics question that is SAFER (more accessible) for computer scientists.....

Is our world deterministic?

How could fundamentally unpredictable events be possible and certifiable?



We can't be sure ... without believing
first of all its existence

One POSSIBILITY:
a deterministic “matrix” world!

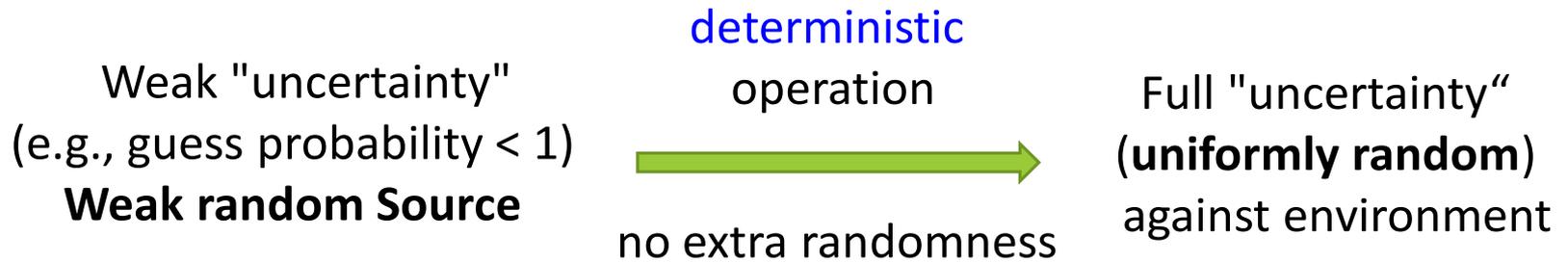


Deterministic World v.s. Truly Random World [CR]

Does *non-deterministic* world imply *truly random* world?

the world allows **uniformly random** events

A Possible Dichotomy Theorem:



Thus, *either* the world is **deterministic**
or we can faithfully create **uniformly random** events

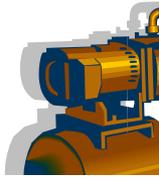
Colbeck & Renner [CR'12]:

**Can we certify existence of true randomness ?
(based on physical laws)**

**Can we generate uniform bits from weak
sources with minimal assumptions?**

Can we certify exist. of true randomness?

System



$b \in \{0,1\}$

Observer

Eve



- **System** performs experiment to output a bit $b \in \{0,1\}$
- **Eve** models external observer
- **Necessary Assumptions**: (1) **weak source** (some uncertainty)
- (2) **No-signaling between System and Eve**. In particular, System cannot signal b to Eve.

Approaches w/ additional assumptions

System

Weak Source



Classical system : require **independent** weak sources.

Quantum system: seemingly intrinsic randomness

Question: QM could be incomplete. Devices are untrusted. Can we still generate uniform bits from weak sources?



A **Classical** Human being.



A more fundamental issue: **Randomness from Quantum Mechanics?**

YES? If Quantum mechanics explains the inner-working of Nature

NO! If QM is incomplete: e.g. existence of a deterministic alternative

Device-Independent Cryptography

No Trust of the inner-working due to *technical* or *fundamental* issues

GOAL: only make *classical* operations, still leverage *quantum* devices

=> **Device-Independent Quantum Cryptography !!!**

How can “classical” human being leverage quantum power?



Bell-tests for detecting quantum behavior (*non-locality*)

Force to use the “*quantumness*” via non-locality!



Successful Examples: (this session and the incomplete list)

- 1) **QKD** [BHK05, MRC+06, MPA, VV13, BCK13, RUV13, MS13, AF et al..]
- 2) **Randomness Expansion** [Col06, PAM+10, PM11, FGS11, VV12, MS13, CY13]
- 3) **Free-randomness Amplification** [CR12, GMdIT+12, MP13, BR+13...]
- 4) **Quantum Bit Commitment & Coin Flipping** [SCA+11]
- 5) **Quantum Computation Delegation** [RUV13, MacK13]

Randomness Amplification [CR12]

- Certify true randomness from weak randomness
 - via Bell violation, **device-independent** framework
- Weak source = Santha-Vazirani (ϵ -SV) sources
$$(1/2) - \epsilon \leq \Pr[X_i = x_i \mid X_{<i} = x_{<i}] \leq (1/2) + \epsilon$$
 - **physical principles** behind choosing this SV
 - Amplification from ϵ -SV for $\epsilon < 0.058$

Rand. Amp. Protocol of [CR12]

SV Source

0101101010010010

Alice



x_i

a_i



y_i

b_i



Eve



M_E



O_E

Accept if Device “play well” &
Output $z = a_r$ for $r \leftarrow$ SV Source

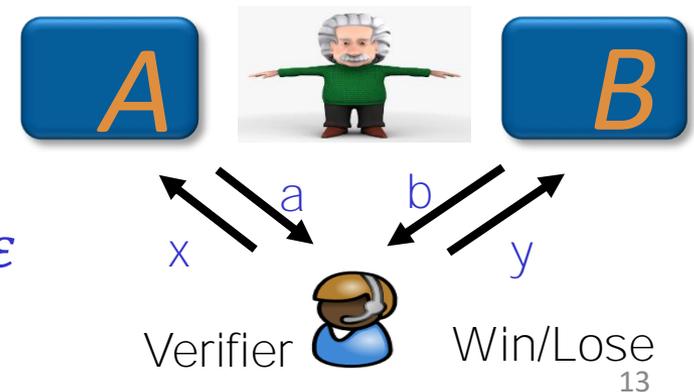
Guess z

Dichotomy Theorem [CR12,GMT+13]

- Can we certify our physical world is inherently random?
 - NO if the world is fully deterministic (“super-determinism”)
- Dichotomy: either **deterministic**, or **certifiably random**
- **RA**: weak randomness \implies certifiable true randomness
- **Weaker assumptions \implies Stronger Dichotomy Thm**
- Require Non-Signaling (NS) security [CR12]
 - Should *not* assume quantum completeness
 - Only assume NS condition (necessary)

Non-Signaling (NS) Security

- Devices A , B , E may share “non-signaling correlation”
 - Arbitrary correlation not signaling the input
 - Marginal distribution of A depend only on value $X = x$
 - $p(a | xy) = p(a | xy')$ for any x, y, y'
- Powerful: can win CHSH w.p. 100%
 - Random $A \oplus B = x \wedge y$ & marginal of $A, B =$ uniform
- NS Security:
 - If $\Pr[\text{Alice accepts}] \geq \varepsilon$, then
 - $\Pr[\text{Eve guess } z \text{ correctly}] \leq (1/2) + \varepsilon$



Developments of RA Protocols

	Source	Eve	Conditional independence	
			Source-Device	Source-Eve
[CR12]	SV $\varepsilon < 0.058$	Classical	Indep.	---
[GMT+13]	SV any $\varepsilon < 1/2$	NS	Indep.	Arbitrary
[BRG+13]	SV any $\varepsilon < 1/2$	NS	Indep.	Indep.
[RBH+15]	SV any $\varepsilon < 1/2$	NS	Indep.	Indep.
[WBG+16]	SV $\varepsilon < 0.0144$	NS	Somewhat	Somewhat

Assumptions on the Source

- SV source is highly structured
 - Guarantee entropy for every bit of the Source
 - SV bit vs. SV block? Physics principle at the bit level (too strong?)

Question: can we reduce all these assumptions on the source to minimal?

SV Source

00000000000010010

Alice



Eve



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Minimal Weak Sources: in non-deterministic world

Min-entropy Sources: a random variable $X \hat{\Gamma} \{0,1\}^n$

(=) $-\log$ (the *maximum probability* of guessing x sampled from X correctly).

NS (=) $-\log$ (the *maximum probability* of guessing x sampled from X correctly w/ the help of **NS correlation**).



A general measure of the randomness. Capture *arbitrarily weak* sources.



Capture *the amount of uniform bits* that can be extracted via classical means.



Non-deterministic World



Non-Zero Min-entropy



Weak Min-entropy Sources

Summary of RA Protocols

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[CSW14]	Any weak	Quantum	Arbitrary	Arbitrary
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Our Result: Ideal Dichotomy Thm

- Randomness amplification assuming
 - (Source | Device) has sufficient **NS** min-entropy
 - **NS** condition among **Eve** & **Devices**
- Minimal assumption: both are necessary
 - *No* **structural** or **independence** assumptions about the sources
- Ideal dichotomy theorem
 - Weak source = arbitrary source w/ sufficient uncertainty
 - **Local uncertainty** \Rightarrow **certifiable global randomness**

Our Construction

All Existing Protocols

SV source

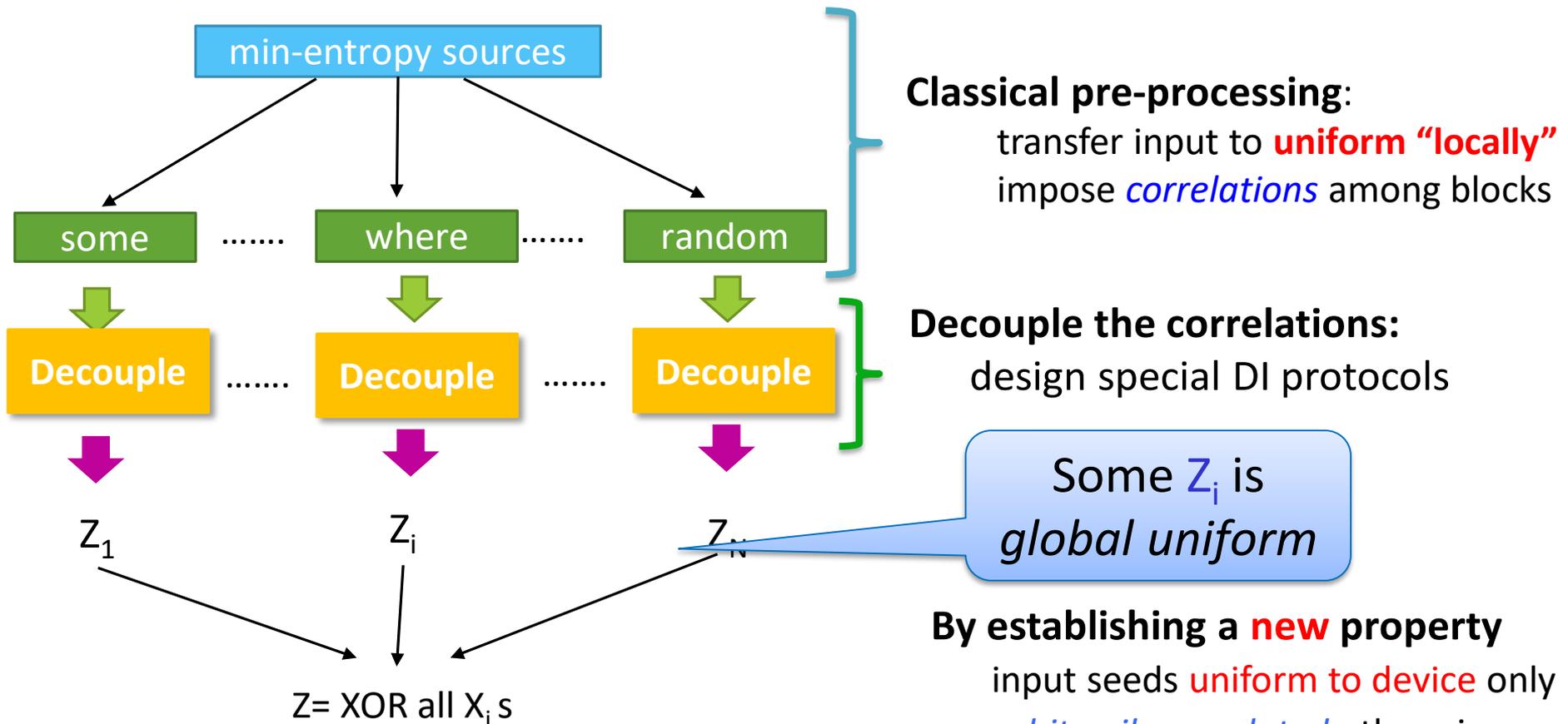
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Directly use **Source** bits as inputs to **Device**

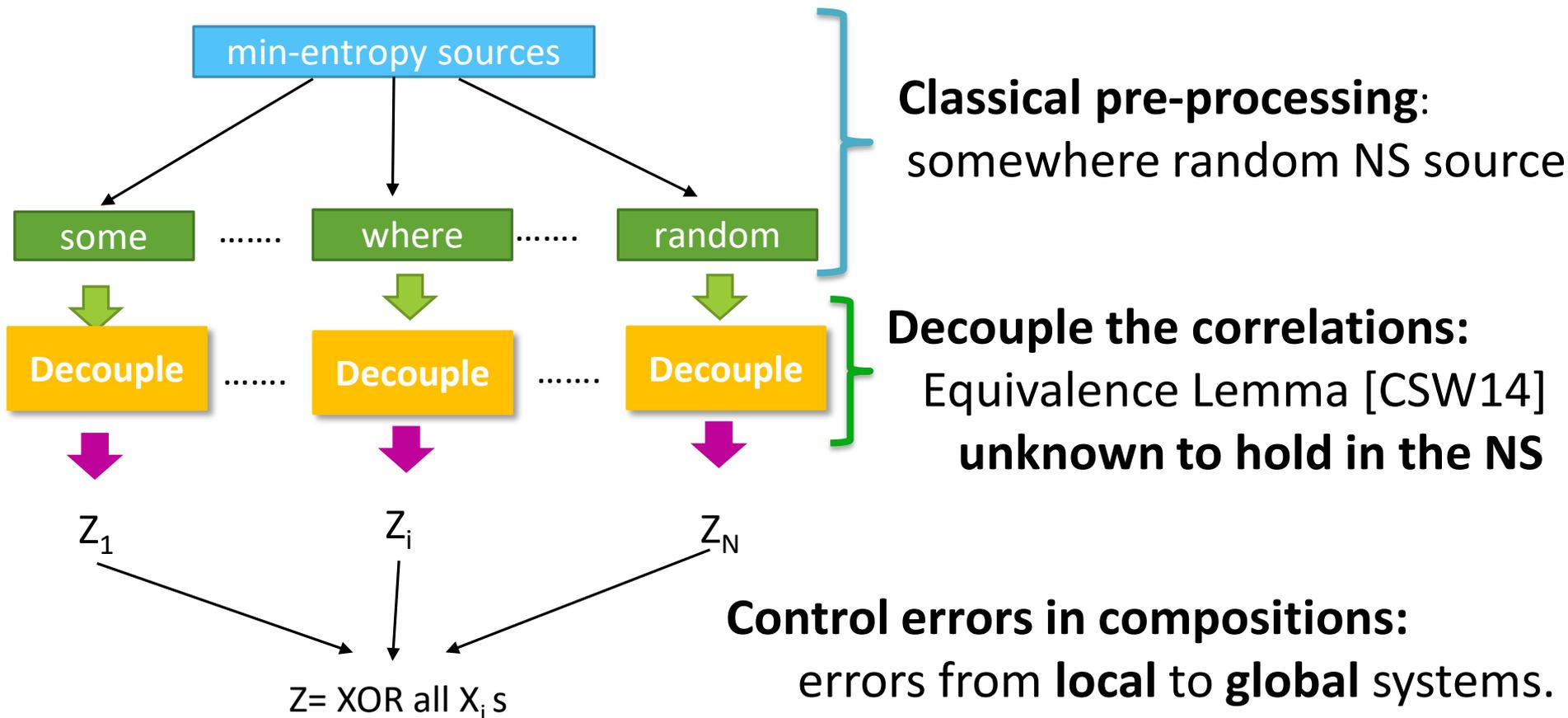
- Require SV structure & sophisticated games
- Unknown to handle unstructured weak sources

Our Solutions: a bird's-eye view



Classical Post-Processing: XOR picks the right one

Our Solutions in the **NS** setting



Classical Post-Processing: **XOR** picks the right one

Obtain Somewhere Uniform Source

Somewhere Random Source (SR source):

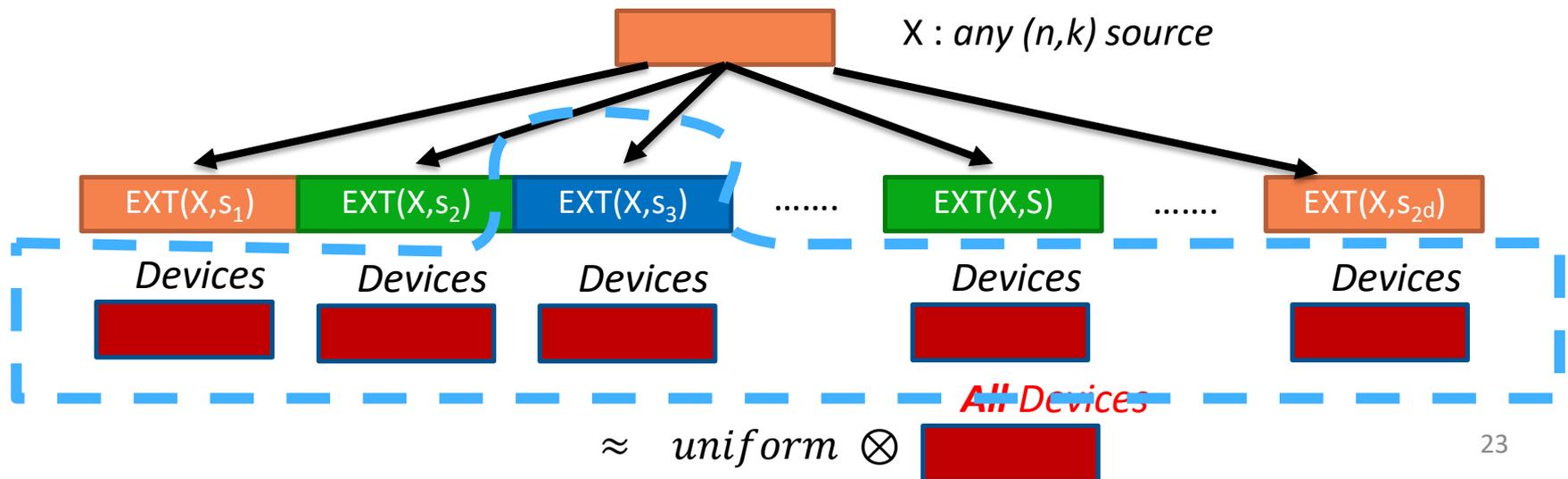


A random object divided into blocks.
There exists **one** block (marginal)
that is uniformly random.

For quantum security [CSW14]

Use quantum-proof strong extractor: $Y_i = \text{Ext}(X, i)$

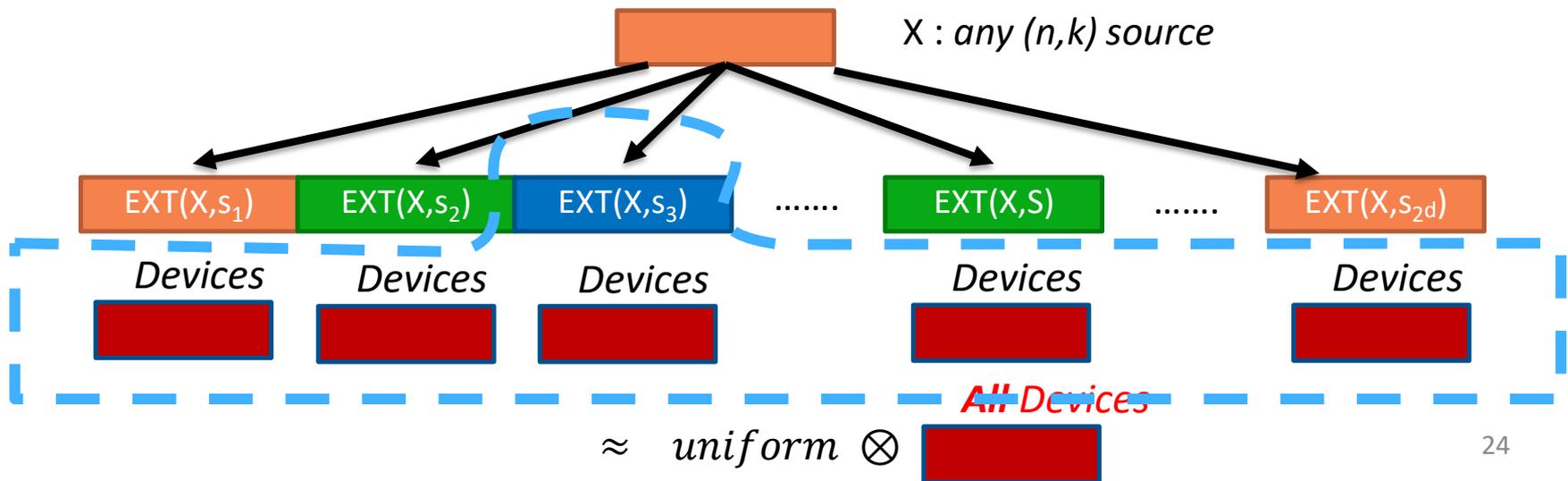
\Rightarrow somewhere almost-uniform-to-**all-Device**



Obtain **NS** Somewhere Uniform Sources

NS-proof strong extractors **DO NOT** exist!

a counter-example in the paper

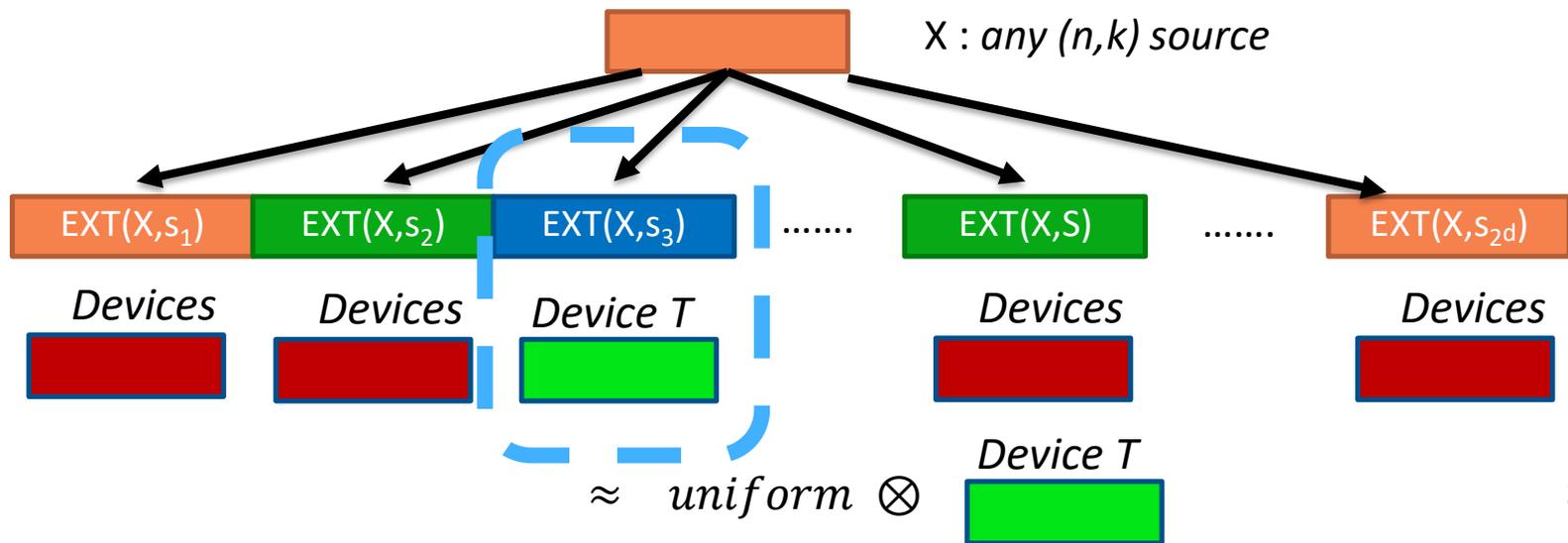


IMPOSSIBLE to achieve with the construction!

Obtain NS Somewhere Uniform Sources

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POSSIBLE w/ classical extractors + 2^m error loss!

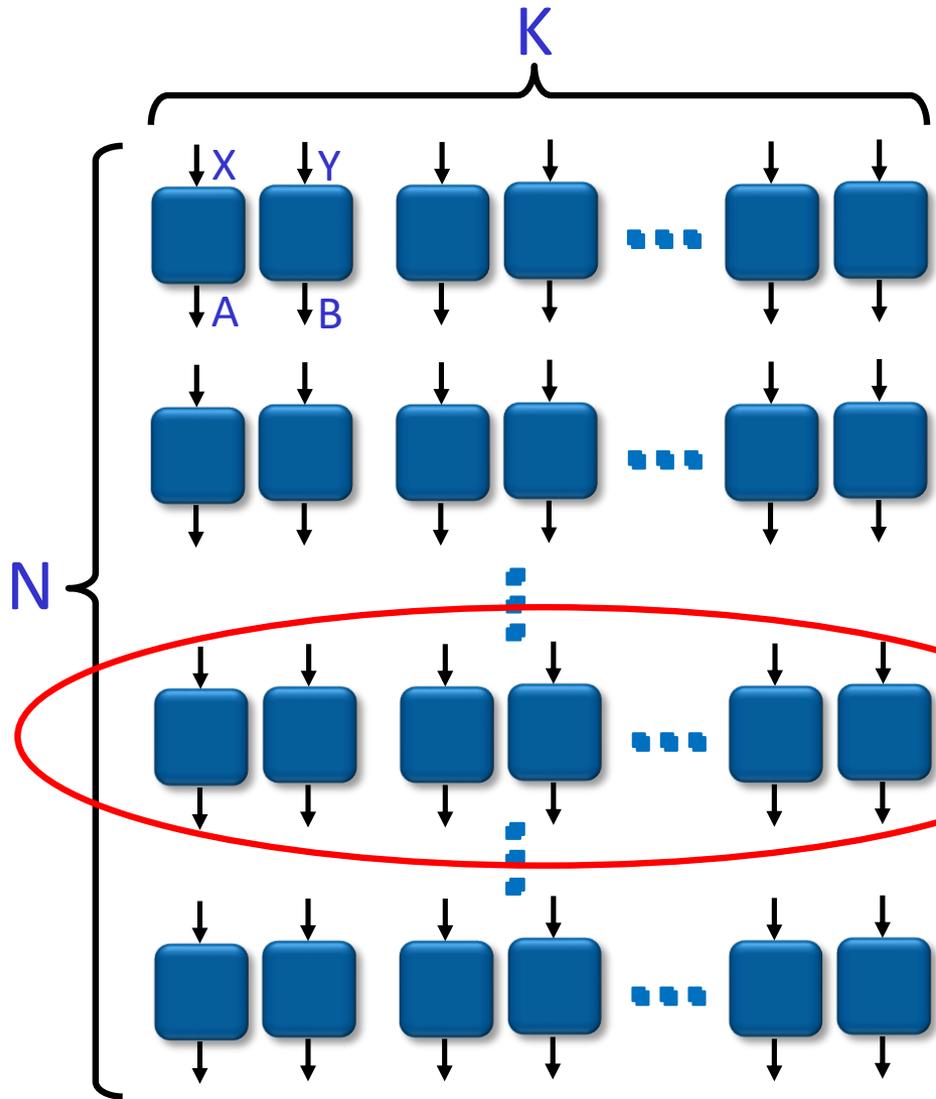
Achieved through an **imaginary post-selection** reduction!

To balance the error, # devices $\geq 2^{\text{poly}(1/\epsilon)}$

Handle almost uniform-to-Device sources

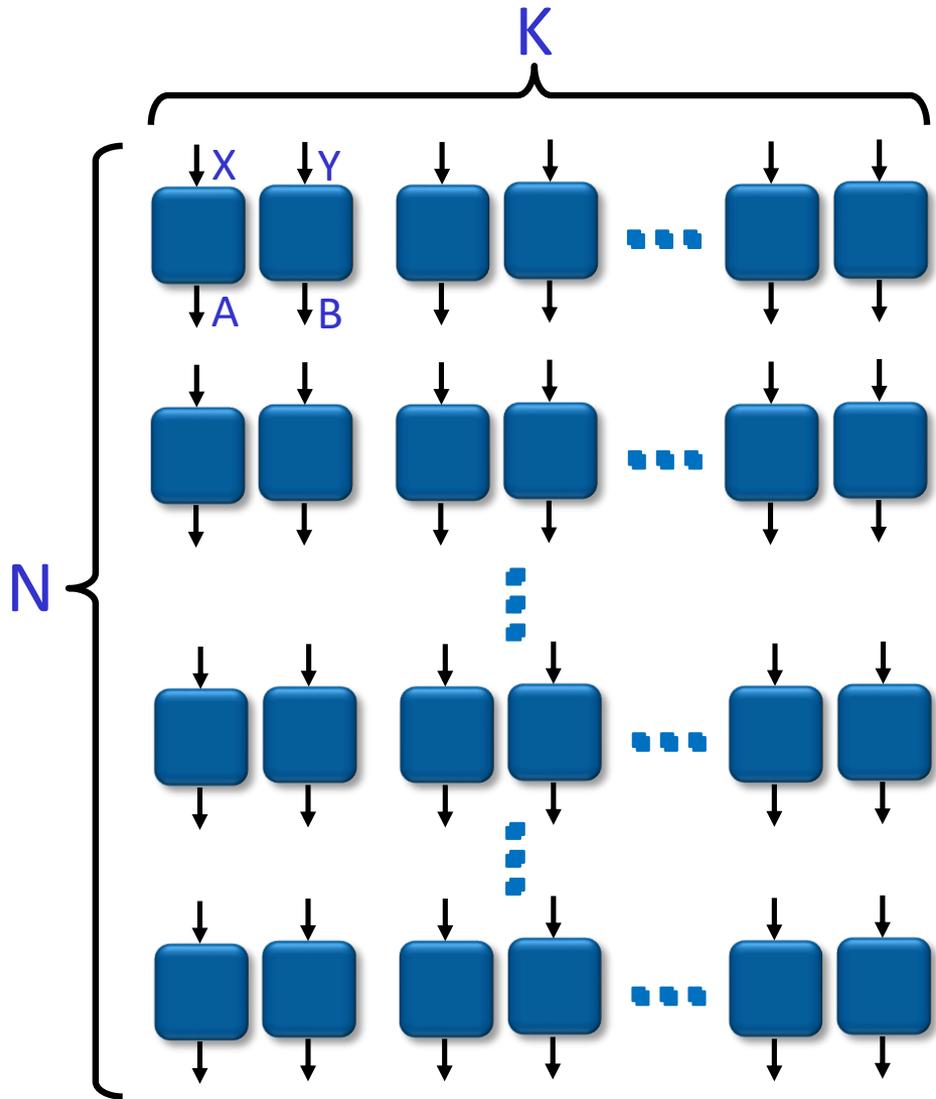
- Main challenge: local uniform & no independence
 - [CSW14] solved by the **Equivalence Lemma**
 - Unknown to hold in the NS setting.
- Previous NS-secure protocols
 - [BRG+13,RBH+15]: **SV Source** indep. of **Device** & **Eve**
 - [GMT+13]: **SV Source** indep. of **Device**
- Need to take [GMT+13] approach
 - Simplify and Modularize proof for **uniform sources**
 - Identify a key technical property for the analysis to go through
 - **Make it robust to a constant level of noises**
 - **Hash function: existential => efficiently generated!**

Decoupler Construction



- Play **BHK** game $N \cdot K$ times
 - N rounds of BHK^K
 - Input alphabet size $O(1)$
- Select random **output** round R
 - Others are **testing** rounds
- **Sample T-wise indep. hash H**
- If **testing** rounds play “well”
 - Output $H(A_R)$

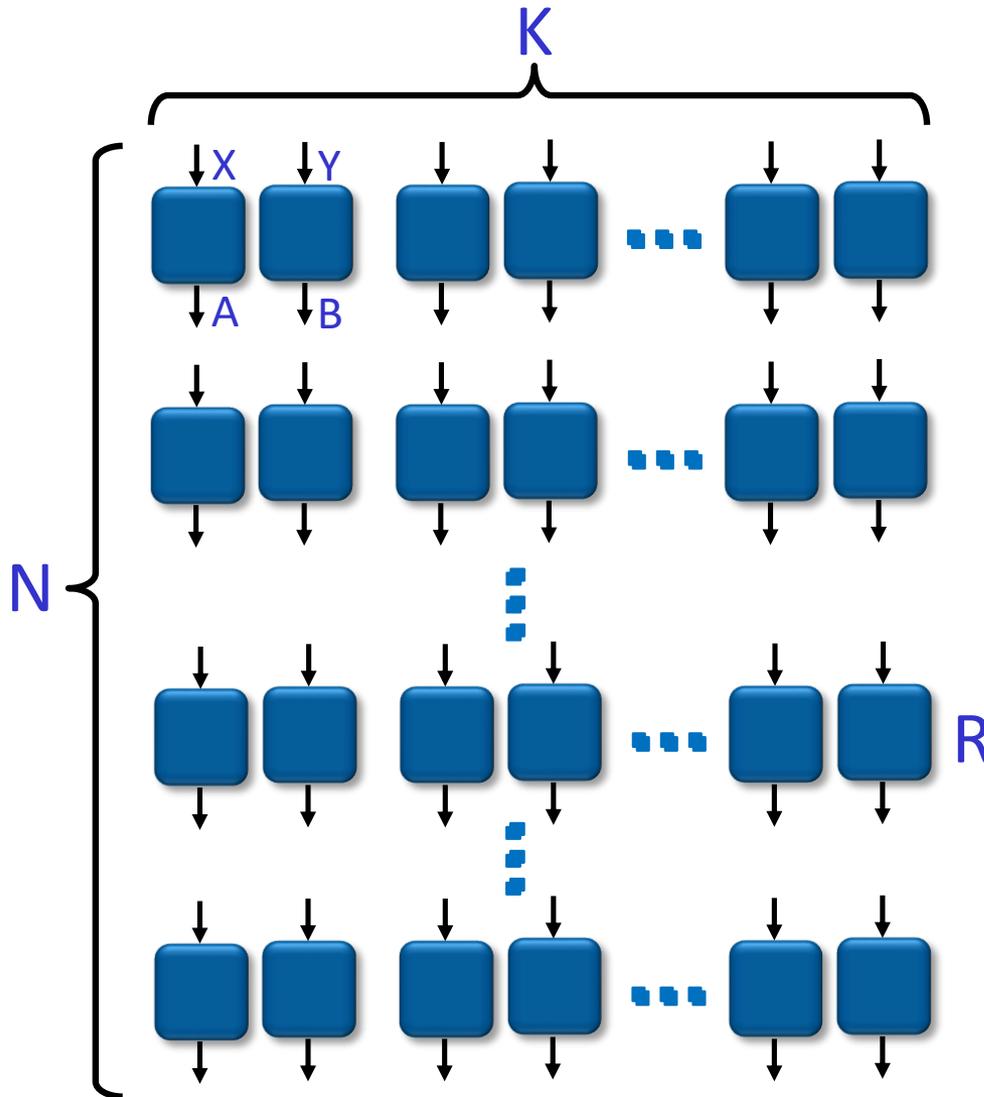
Why Does It Work? (1)



Strong monogamy

- If **Device** play BHK^K “well”, then **A** must random-to-**Eve** (**monogamy**)
- Furthermore, for most **H**, $H(A)$ close to uniform-to-**Eve** (**deterministic extraction**)
 - distance $\leq C \cdot \langle P_{AB|XY} | BHK^K \rangle$
- First done in [M09]
- **We make it explicit by T-wise independent hashing from uniform inputs**

Why Does It Work? (2)



Testing devices

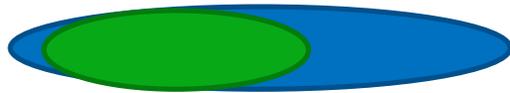
- Challenge: need to analyze $\langle P_{A_R B_R | X_R Y_R, \text{Acc}} | \text{BHK}^K \rangle$
 - since only output when **Acc**
- Bound it by $\langle P_{A_R B_R | X_R Y_R} | \text{BHK}^K \rangle$.
- First done in [GMT+13] with complicated games for SV sources.
- **We make it robust to noise, and make proof simpler & modular.**

Handle Close-to-Uniform Seeds

We over-simplify the condition:

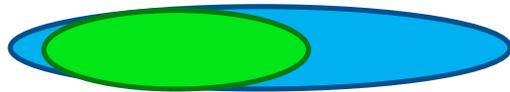
we only have **locally close-to-uniform** seed

Real World



$\approx \epsilon$ $\approx \sqrt{\epsilon}$

Local closeness \rightarrow **globally** close imaginary system



Ideal World

Does  always exist ?

Quantum Solution:

use fidelity and Ullman's theorem

NS Solution:

unknown, we believe **no black-box** solution (work in progress)
alternatively, we **repeat the analysis** with close-to-uniform seeds.

Control error growth from local to global

- **Key Claim** in the analysis:

$$\Pr[\text{Acc} \wedge \langle P_{A_R B_R | X_R Y_R, \text{Acc}} | \text{BHK}^K \rangle \geq \gamma] \leq \delta$$

- If claim is false when X is ε -close to uniform-to-Device

$$\Pr[\text{Acc} \wedge \langle P_{A_R B_R | X_R Y_R, \text{Acc}} | \text{BHK}^K \rangle \geq 2\gamma] > 2\delta$$

=> \exists **D distinguish** (X, Device) from $U \otimes \text{Device}$ w/ $\text{adv} > \varepsilon$

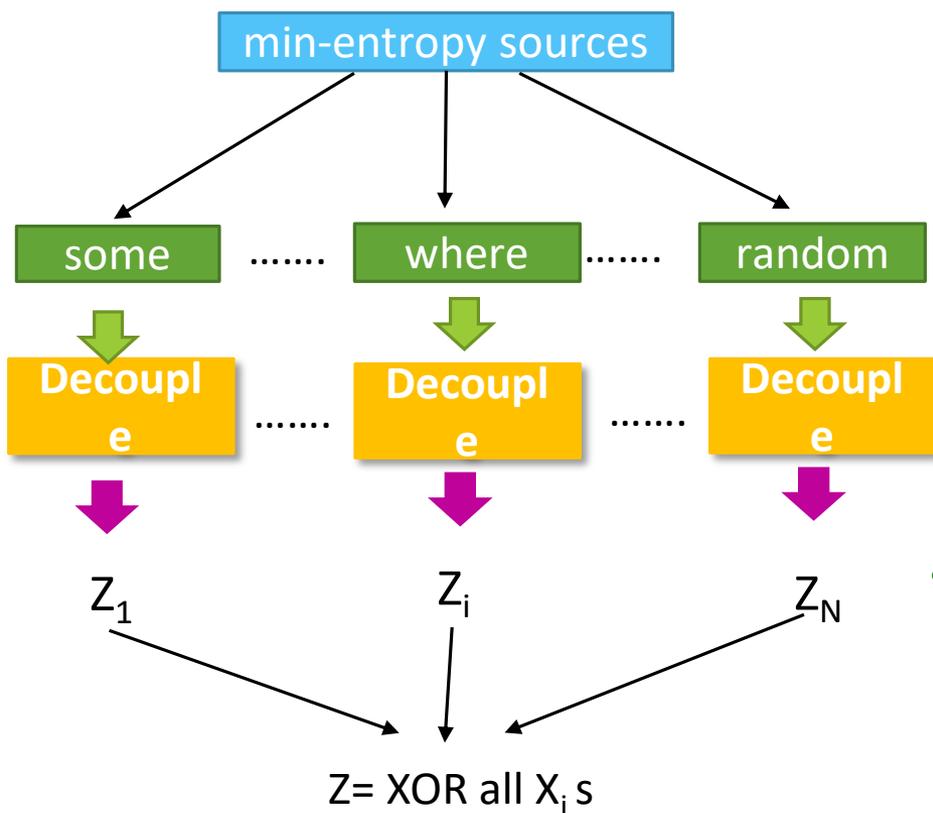
(CS, Crypto) idea to construct an imaginary task (reduction)

Difficulty: probability of a property of the distribution itself

- Thus, $\Pr[\text{Acc} \wedge \langle P_{A_R B_R | X_R Y_R, \text{Acc}} | \text{BHK}^K \rangle \geq 2\gamma] \leq 2\delta$

and the rest of analysis goes through w/o much difficulty.

Summary



- **Randomness amplification under minimal assumptions**
 - (Source | Device) has sufficient min-entropy
 - NS condition among Eve & Devices
 - No structural or independence assumptions about the source
- **Ideal dichotomy theorem**
 - Sufficient local uncertainty \Rightarrow certifiable global uniform rand.
 - $\text{poly}(1/\varepsilon)$ min-entropy \Rightarrow certify ε -close to uniform bits
 - Use $2^{\text{poly}(1/\varepsilon)}$ devices

Summary & Perspective

- Several (maybe generic) techniques for NS systems
 - Inspired by crypto techniques (composition & reduction)
 - e.g., somewhere random sources, error control in compositions
- **Open Questions:**
 - Improve or find tight examples for our analysis.
 - Improve the efficiency of our DI protocol, e.g. reduce the number of boxes
 - Find applications of these NS tools.
- **NS Information/Cryptography Theory**
 - NS security for DI-QKD, DI-randomness expansion
 - NS information theory.



Thank You

Questions before jumping into the black holes...