Overview of NIST PQC Standardization (additional call for signatures)

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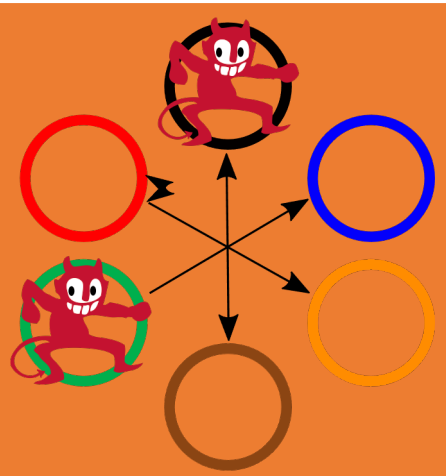

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Additional call / Onramp call

Initial call — 2017

Round 1 — 2018

Round 2 — 2020

Round 3 — 2022

Round4 — ≈ 2024 ?

Initial call — Round 1 — 2023

New Standards

The candidates

- [June 2023] 50 submissions
- [July 2023] 40 accepted

Already 10^+ attacks as of today

Multivariate		MPC in-the-head				Lattice	Code	Symmetric	Isogeny	Other
UOV	Other	MinRank	SD/Rank-SD	PKP	MQ					
Mayo	3wise	Mira	RYDE	Perk	MQOM	EagleSign	Enh. Pqsig-rm	Aimer	SQIsign	Alteq
PROV	DMEsign	MiRitH	SDitH		Biscuit	EHT	Fuleeca	Ascon-sign		eMLE-Sig 2.0
QR-UOV	HPPC					HAETAE	LESS	FAEST		KAZ
SNOVA						Hawk	MEDS	SPHINCS-alpha		Preon
TUOV						HuFu	Wave			Xifrat
UOV						Raccoon	Cross			
Vox						Squirrels				
7	3	2	2	1	2	7	6	4	1	5
10		7								
40										

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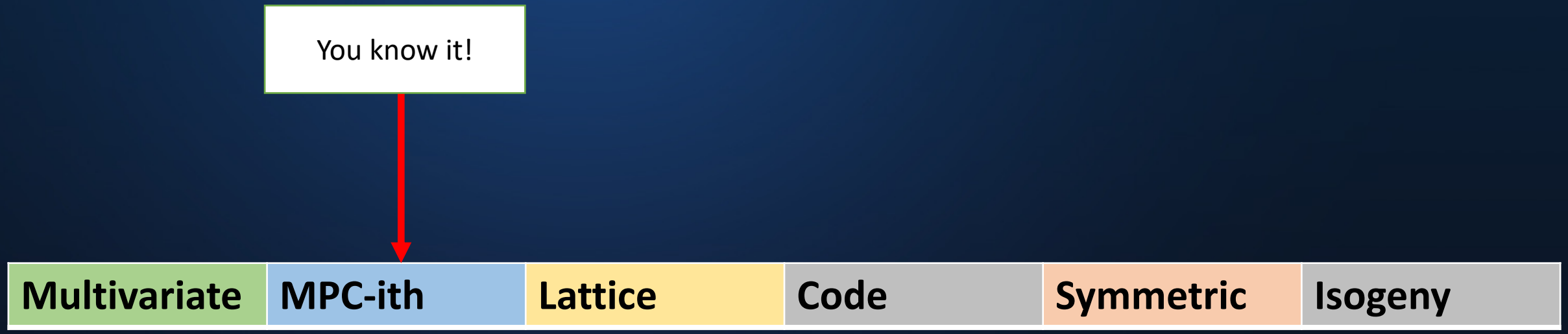


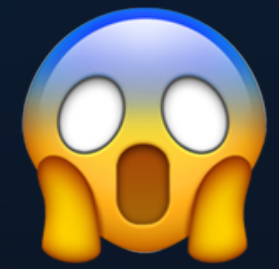
Multivariate based-crypto

$$\mathbb{F}_q[x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n]$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + 2x_3 \\ 2x_1 + 2x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} f_1(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_2x_3 + 2x_3^2 \\ x_1x_2 + x_2^2 + x_2x_3 + x_3^2 \\ x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_3 + x_2x_3 \end{cases}$$



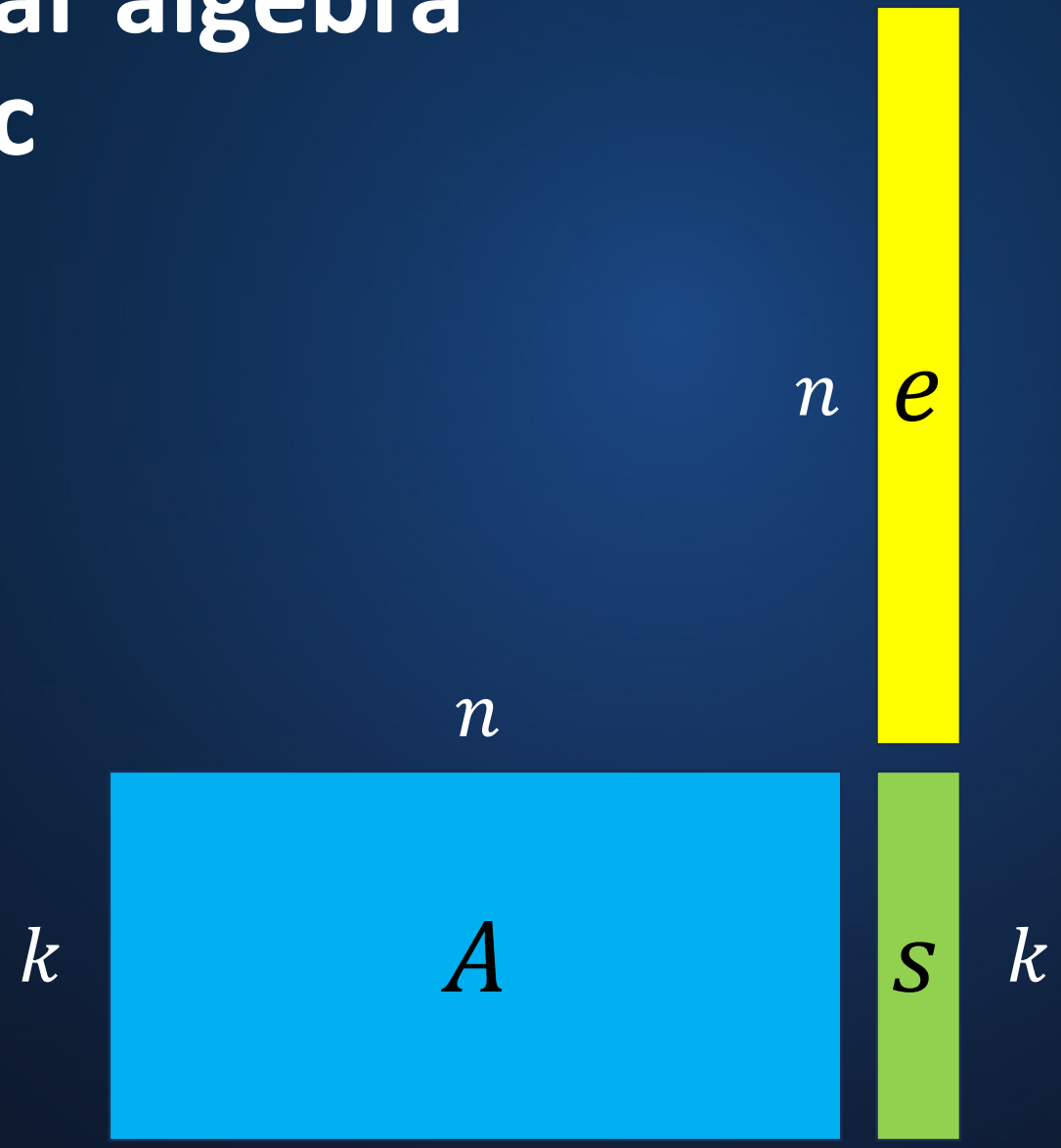
Multivariate Quadratic (MQ)

The categories

System of Quadratic Multivariate Equations

You know it!

Linear algebra Basic

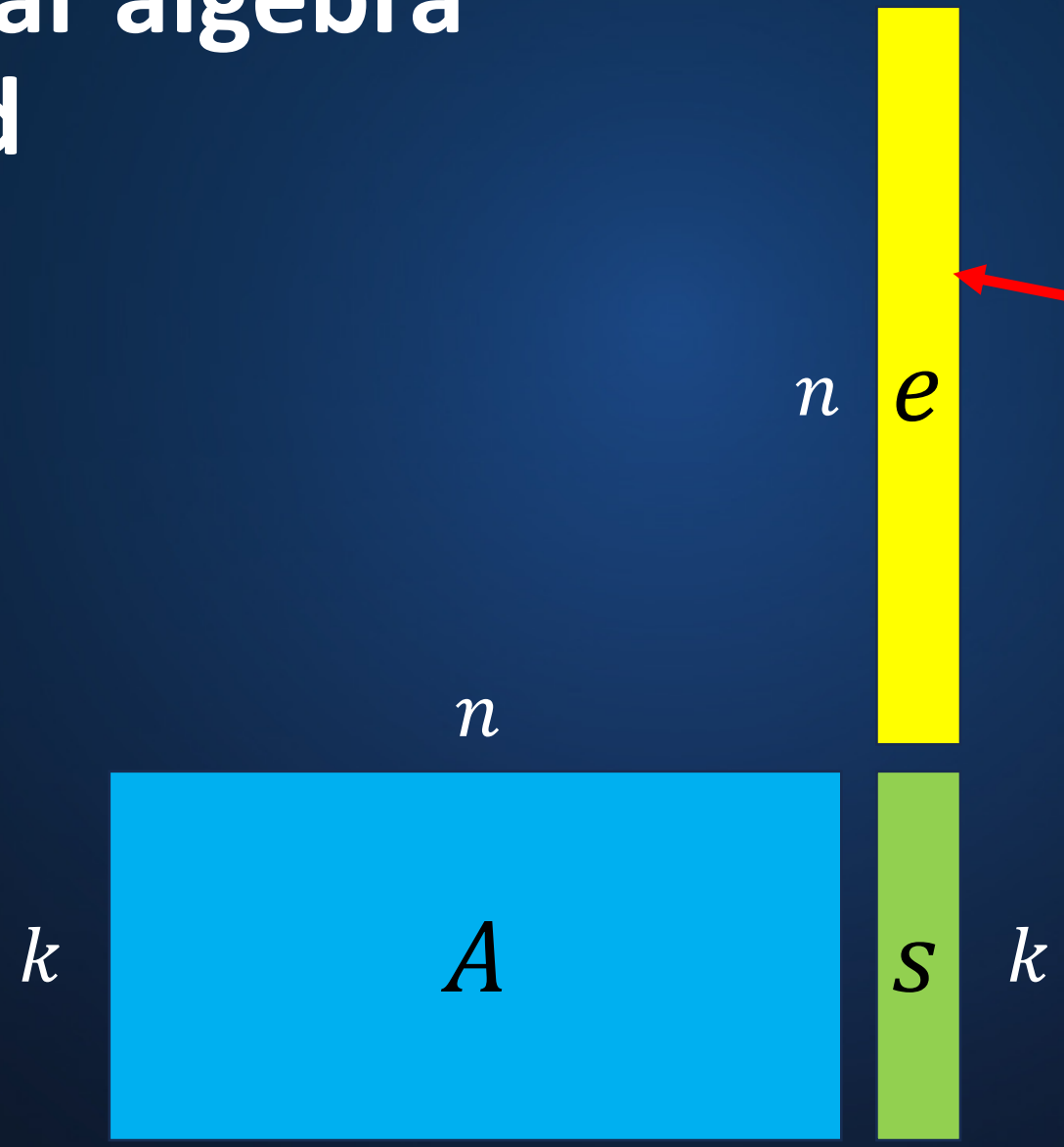


$$Ae^{\intercal} = s^{\intercal}$$

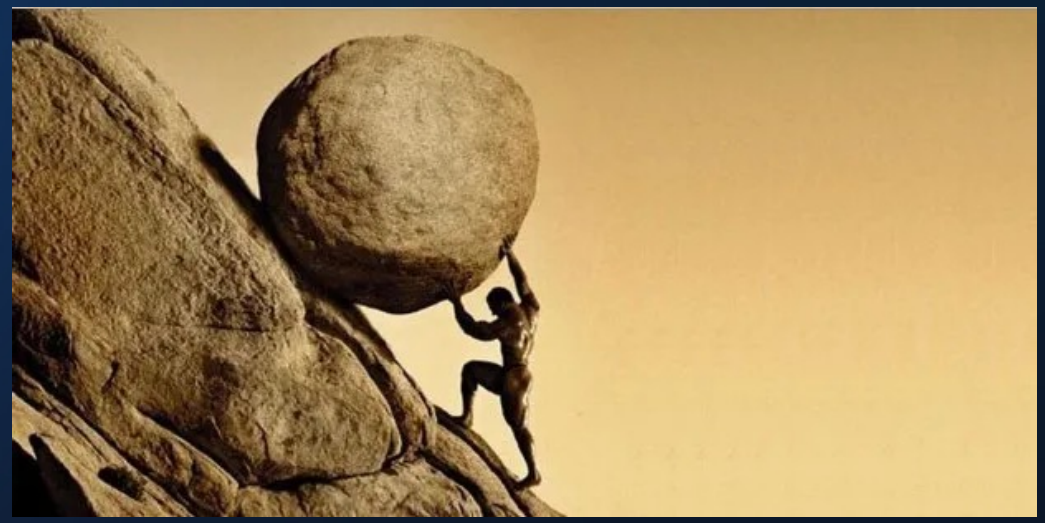
All entries in $\mathbb{F}_q$

Given $(\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{s}) \rightarrow$ Find e

Linear algebra
Hard



Add a constraint
on the ``weight''



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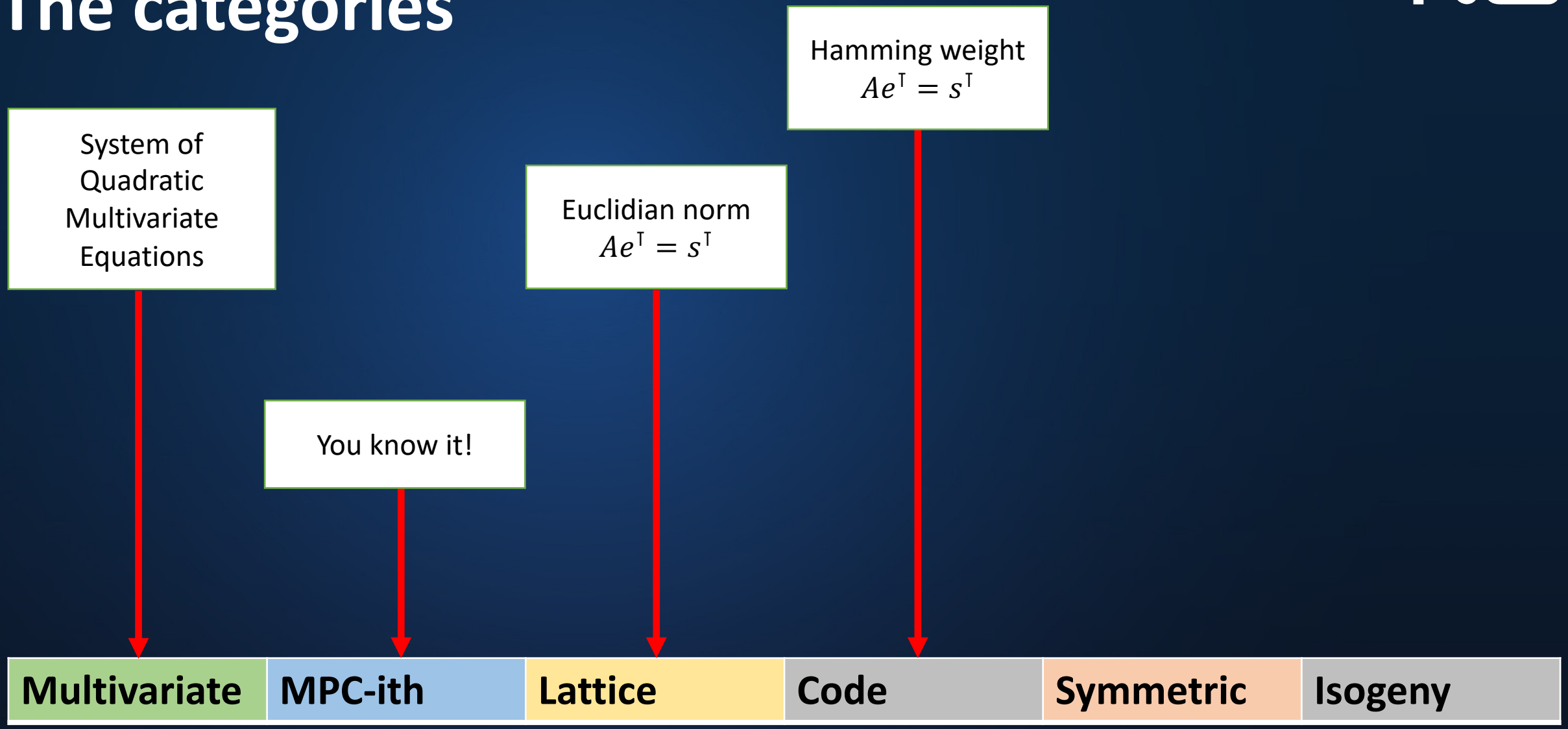

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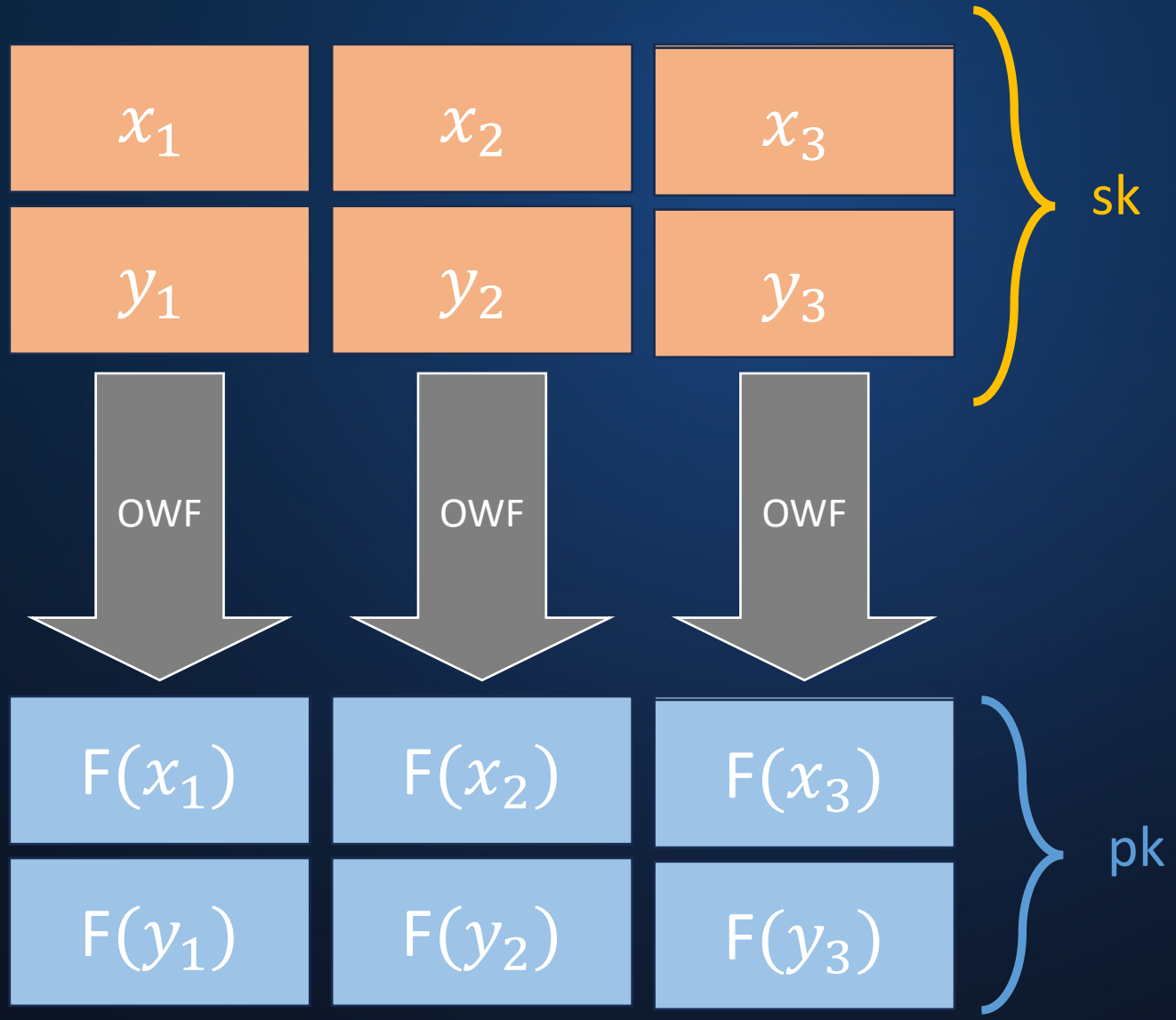

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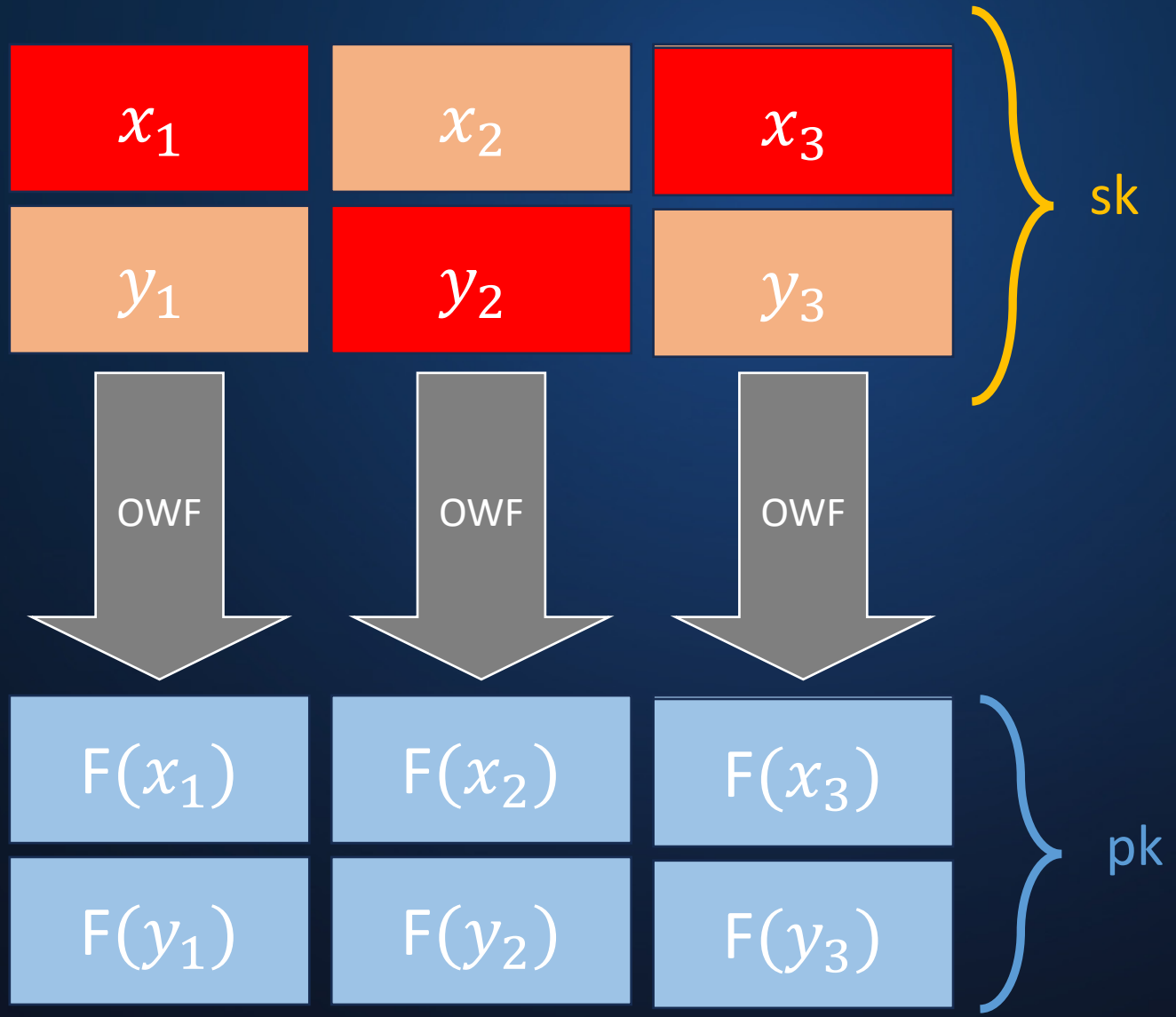

$$\text{Sign}(010) = F(x_1) \mid F(y_2) \mid F(x_3)$$

A LOT of improvements:

- Merkle trees (FTS)
- Winternitz (OTS)
- etc.
- SPHINCS+

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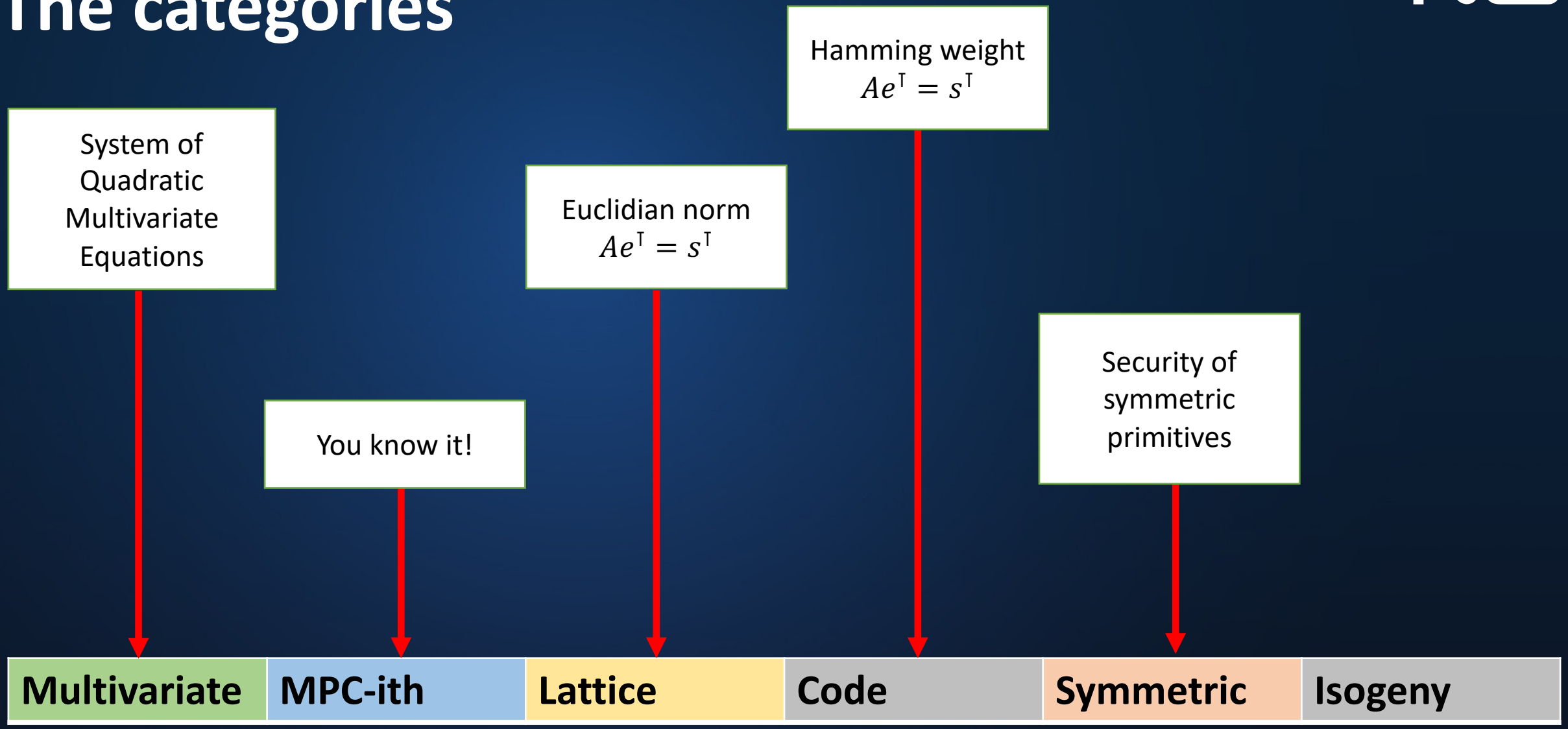
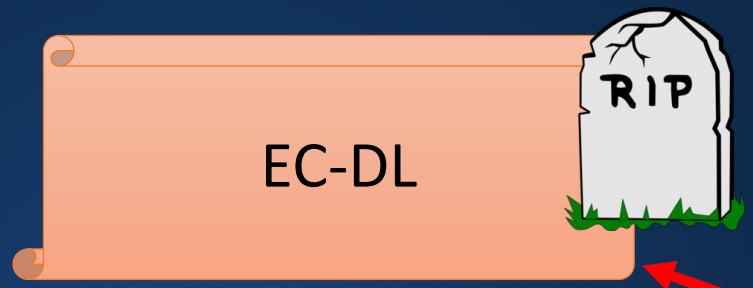


Isogeny

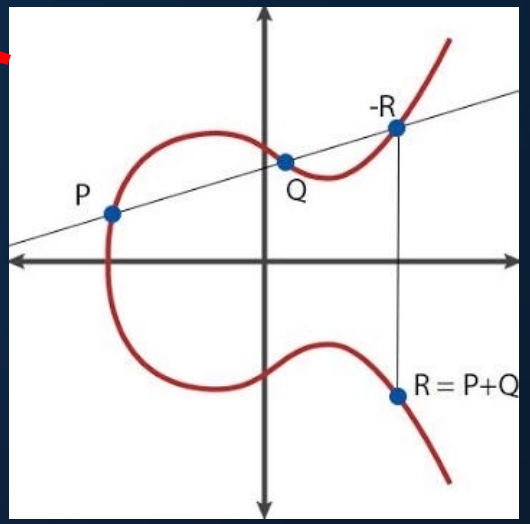


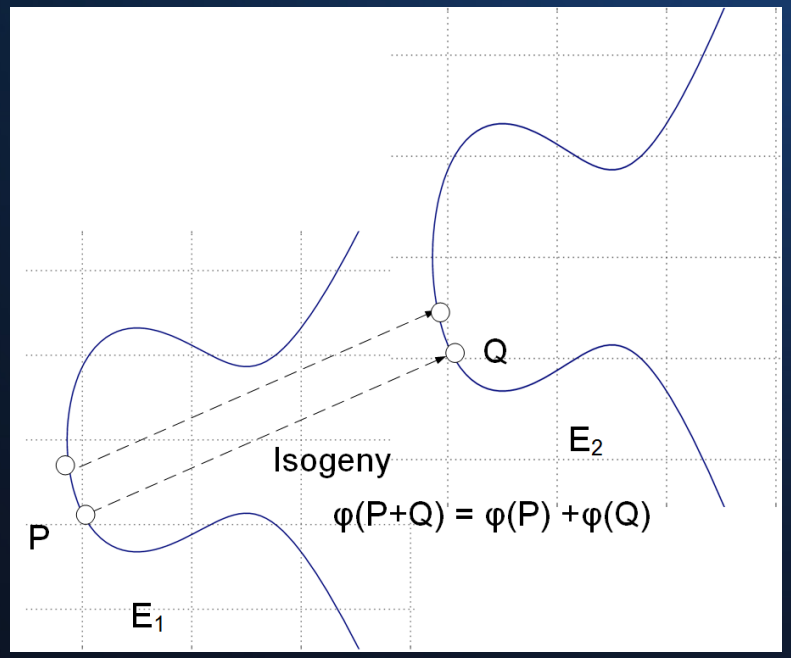
Abelian group

Elliptic curve

$y = x^3 + ax + b$

Points in $\mathbb{F}_q$





An isogeny ϕ between curves E_1 and E_2 is a group homomorphism $E_1 \longrightarrow E_2$.
(usually defined by its kernel)

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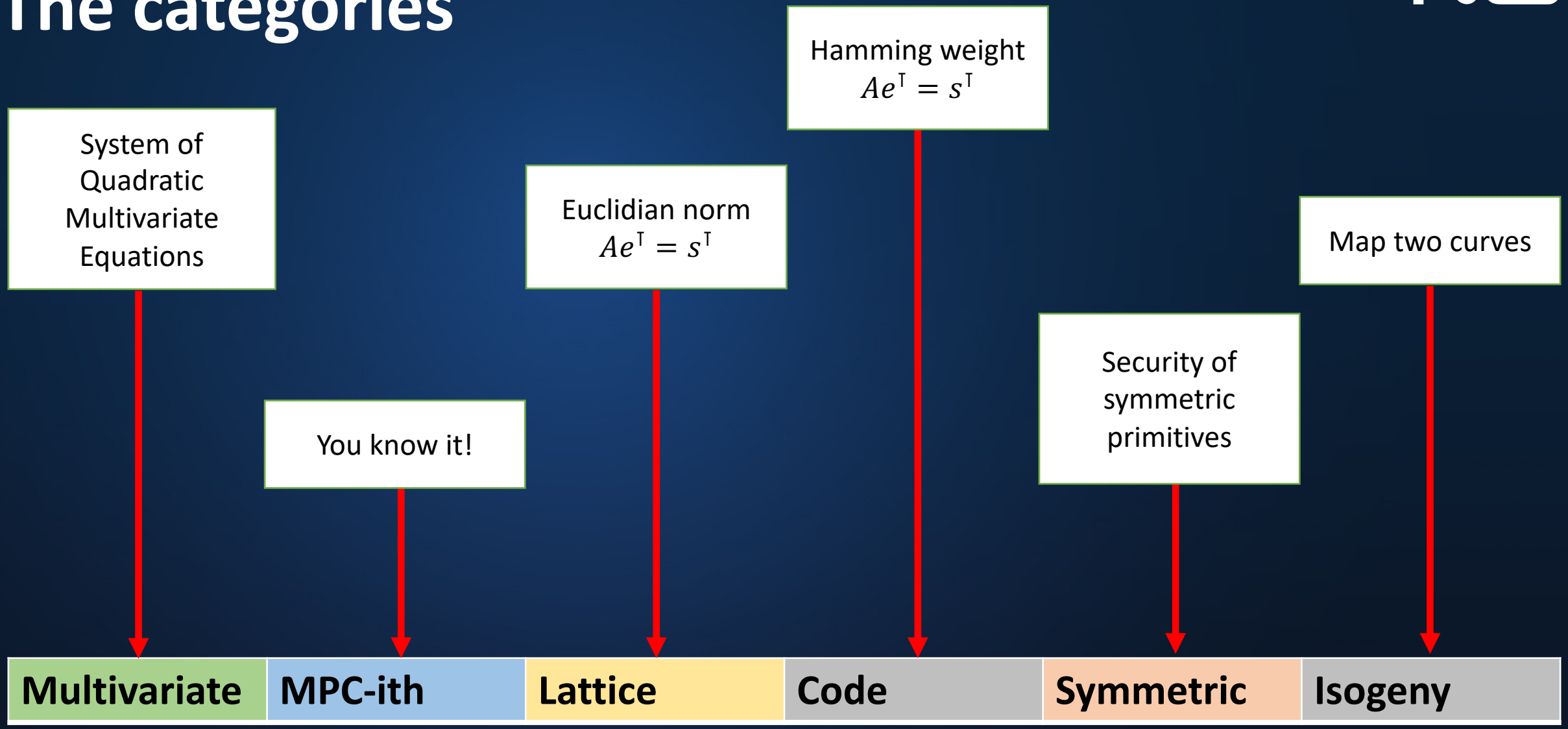

Code-based keygens in a few words

McEliece

"Aleknovich – Kyber – HQC"

Classic McEliece
(Binary Goppa codes)

BIKE
(MDPC codes)

HQC

… and many variants!
(RS, GRS, etc…)

NIST 4th Round

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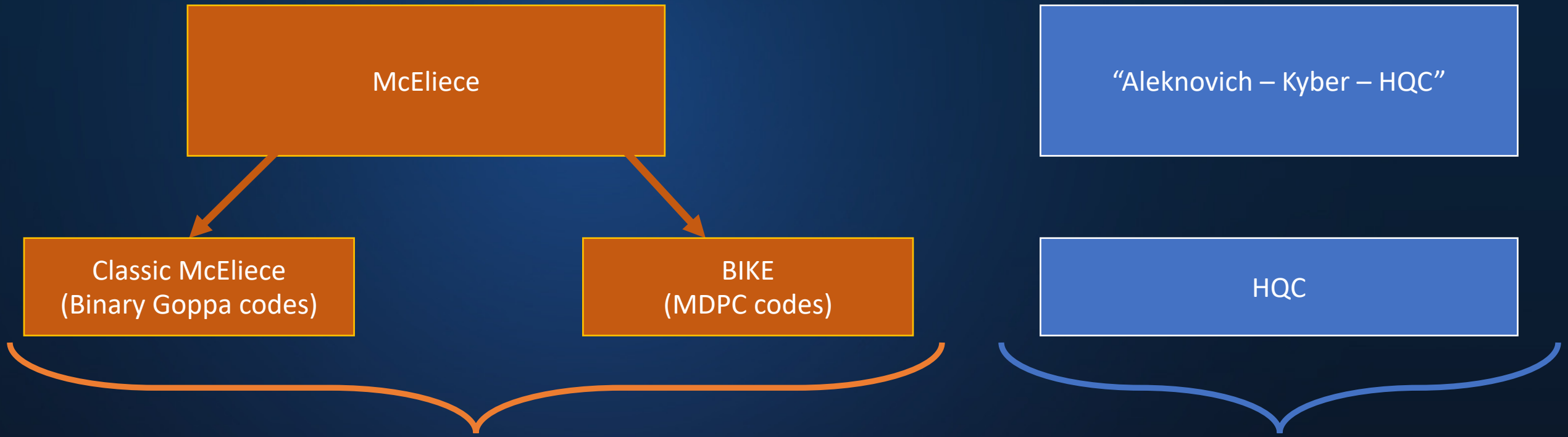

« Hide the structure of a structured code »

Binary Goppa code

Q-Cyclic - Sparse

Q-Cyclic instance of $Ae^{\intercal} = s^{\intercal}$

Row echelon form / Gaussian elimination

Matrix-vector product

BIKE (QC-MDPC) : Quasi-Cyclic - Sparse

Row echelon form / Gaussian elimination

$$sk \coloneqq \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

$$\mathrm{p}k \coloneqq \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right]$$

Polynomials modulo (X^n-1)

$$R \coloneqq \frac{\mathbb{F}_2[X]}{(X^n-1)} \cong C \subset \mathbb{F}_2^{n\times n}$$

$$sk \coloneqq (\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}) = (X^4 + X + 1,\ X^3 + X + 1) \in R^2$$

$$pk \coloneqq (1, \mathrm{A}^{-1}\mathrm{B}) = (1, X^4 + X^3 + X^2) \in R^2$$

Feel free to contact me for more info on:

- multivariate-based cryptography ❤️

- code-based cryptography ❤️

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