

# Internet Security in the Quantum Era

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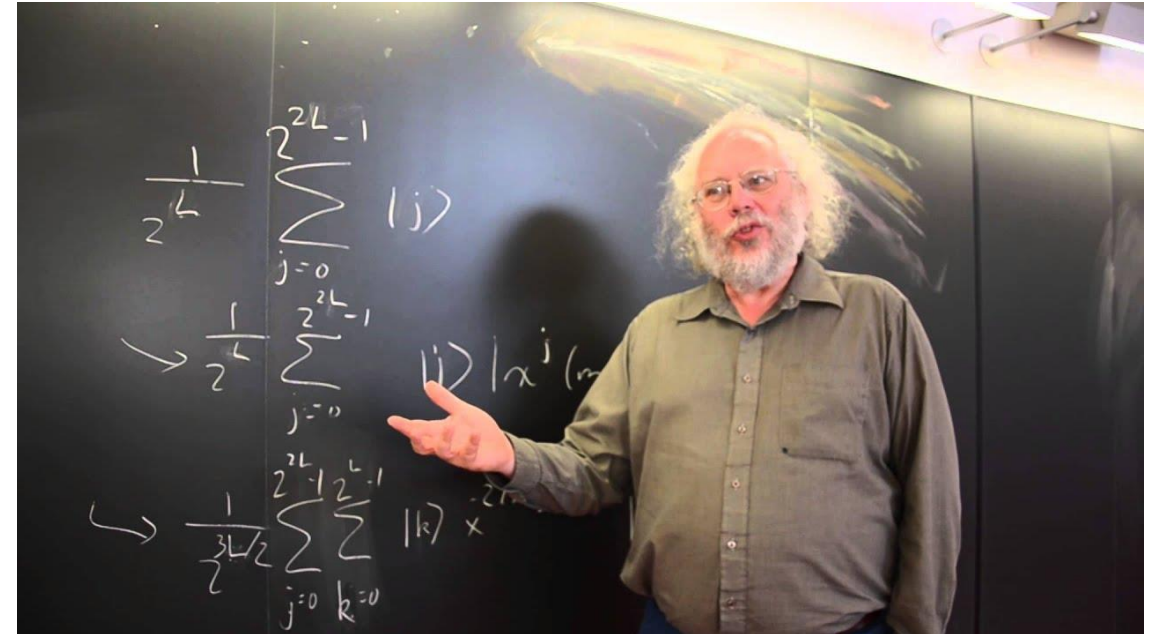




# Quantum Computing – Shor's Algorithm

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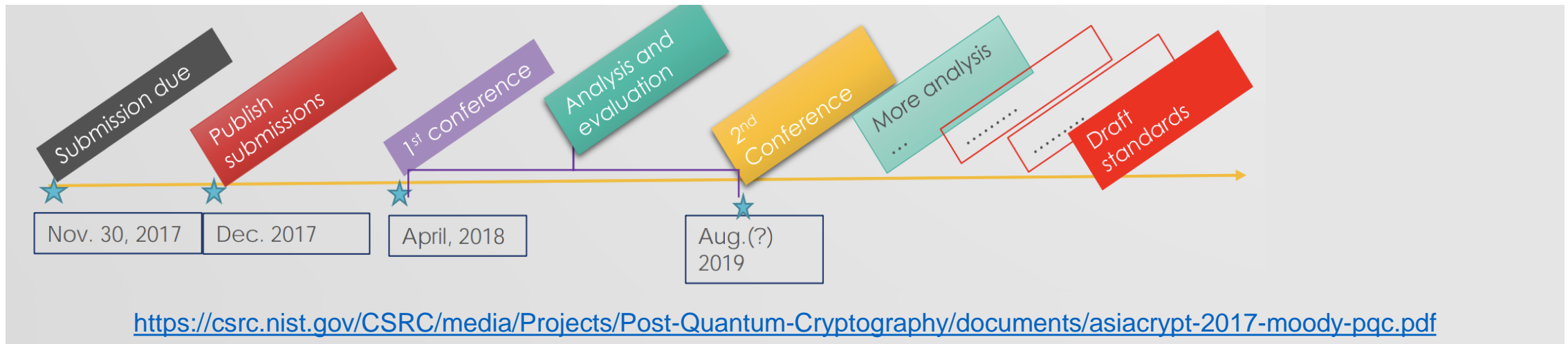
Basic tenet of quantum physics: superposition



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hOIOY7NyMfs>

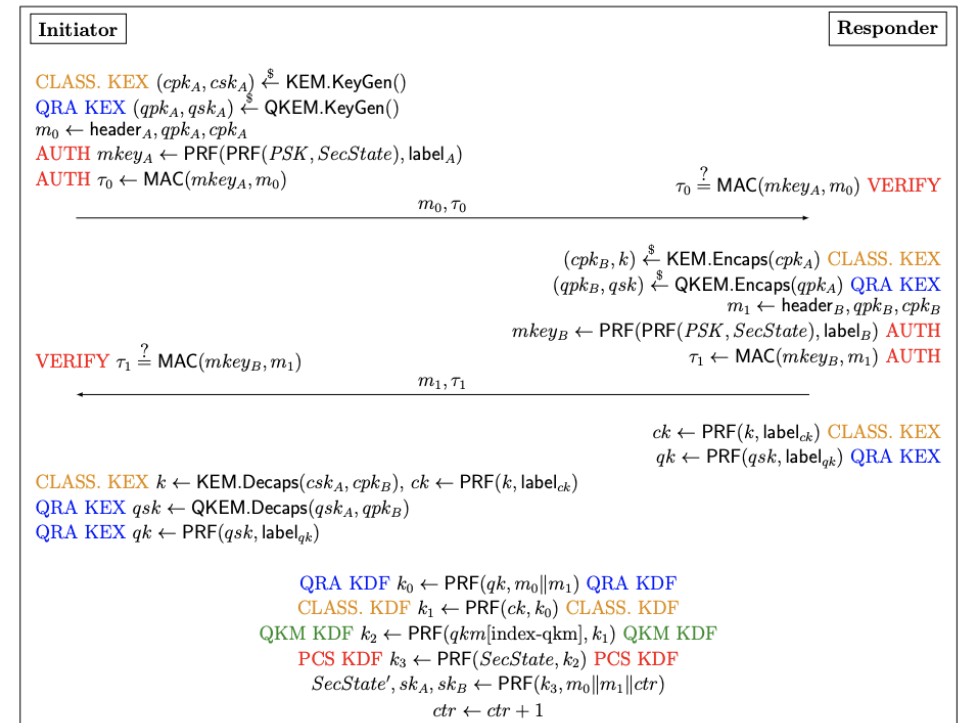
# Quantum Computing and Classical Cryptography

- Everyday life as we know it depends heavily on public-key cryptography.
- Shor's algorithm breaks all currently-deployed public-key cryptographic algorithms.
- The advent of large scale quantum computing would be catastrophic for Internet security.
- A global effort is underway to research and prepare for deployment a new generation of cryptographic algorithms.
- The process is led by US government National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).



# ETH Involvement: Applied Cryptography Group

- We are co-designers of one of the finalist algorithms, «merged classic McEliece», see:
  - <https://csrc.nist.gov/News/2020/pqc-third-round-candidate-announcement>
- We are developing *hybrid* approaches to safely and smoothly integrate the new algorithms into existing Internet security protocols, see:
  - <https://www.research-collection.ethz.ch/handle/20.500.11850/399145>
- We are active in IETF/IRTF, the bodies responsible for maintaining specifications for Internet protocols:
  - <https://www.ietf.org/>
  - <https://irtf.org/cfrg>



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 & \text{Adv}_{\text{Muckle}, n_P, n_S, n_T}^{\text{HAKE}, \text{clean}_{\text{cHAKE}}, \mathcal{A}}(\lambda) \leq \\
 & 2 \cdot n_P^2 n_S n_T \cdot (\text{Adv}_{\text{PRF}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{prf}}(\lambda) + \text{Adv}_{\text{MAC}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{eufcma}}(\lambda)) \\
 & + n_P^2 n_S^2 n_T \cdot (\text{Adv}_{\text{KEM}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{ind-cpa}}(\lambda) + (13 + 2 \cdot n_T) \cdot \text{Adv}_{\text{PRF}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{prf}}(\lambda)) \\
 & + \text{Adv}_{\text{KEM}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{ind-cpa}}(\lambda) + (13 + 2 \cdot n_T) \cdot \text{Adv}_{\text{PRF}, \mathcal{A}}^{\text{dual-prf}}(\lambda)
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Thank you for your attention!

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