

RELATIVISTIC QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY

Spacetime-constrained oblivious transfer (SCOT) is a cryptographic task extending one-out-of-m oblivious transfer (OT) by guaranteeing security from quantum physics and relativistic signalling constraints.

PRESENTATION

SCOT is performed by two mistrustful parties, Alice and Bob. Alice inputs secret messages and Bob obtains a message of his choice in a first spacetime region, i.e. , at a particular location and at a particular time. The security conditions are : Alice must be oblivious to Bob's chosen message, and Bob must be oblivious to the other messages of Alice in spacetime regions that are spacelike separated from the first spacetime region. This technology provides methods and systems to implement unconditionally secure SCOT based on quantum physics and the principle of no-superluminal signalling of special relativity, evading Lo's no-go theorem for one-out-of-m OT.



Quantum cryptography - Relativistic quantum cryptography -
Oblivious transfer

APPLICATIONS

- Security of high-speed transactions in financial markets
- Security of privacy-preserving location-based data access
- Secure multi-party computation with spacetime constraints

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

- ✓ Although no experimental demonstration of SCOT has been performed, the technology required to implement it is already available
- ✓ TRL 3 to 4

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COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGES

- Unconditional security
- Security based on quantum physics and special relativity
- Evades Lo's no-go theorem for one-out-of-m oblivious transfer
- Practical with current technology

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Two patent applications filed (US 2018/0287788 A1, EP3777008A1)

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