# Preimage search using low communication cost parallel Grover algorithm 

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NIST has claimed that AES-128 is secure enough.

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Take $x$ an input of $H, x^{\prime}=H(x)$.
Thereafter, take $x^{\prime}$ and apply $H$ again, $x^{\prime \prime}=H\left(x^{\prime}\right)$.
It is possible to do it $n$ times $\left(H^{n}\right)$, until a given condition is satified. In our case, we want the first $0<d<b / 2$ bits as 0 . $H_{d}^{n}(x)$ means $d$ bits of $x$, computed $n$ times.

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## Reversibility of sorting on a mesh network

- Using the sorting strategy from "Efficient distributed quantum computing" ${ }^{3}$;
- We used Odd-even mergesort;
- It is possible to perform the sorting of $t$ elements using $O\left(t\left(b+(\log t)^{2}\right)\right)$ ancillas and $O\left(t^{1 / 2}(\log t)^{2}\right)$ steps.

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- Output 0 if a preimage was found, otherwise 1.


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- Each processor is going to use $\sqrt{N / p t^{3 / 2}}$ iterations; $\sqrt{2^{40} / 2^{8}\left(\left(2^{8}\right)^{3 / 2}\right)}=\sqrt{2^{40} / 2^{20}}=2^{10}$ iterations.
- Overall, we get $\left(2^{8}\right)^{1 / 4}$ speedup from attacking $2^{8}$ targets.


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- Check for the real number of qubits/gates;
- Is it possible to improve?


## Questions

Thank you for your attention. Questions?

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