

# A New Approach for Arithmetization-Oriented Symmetric Primitives.



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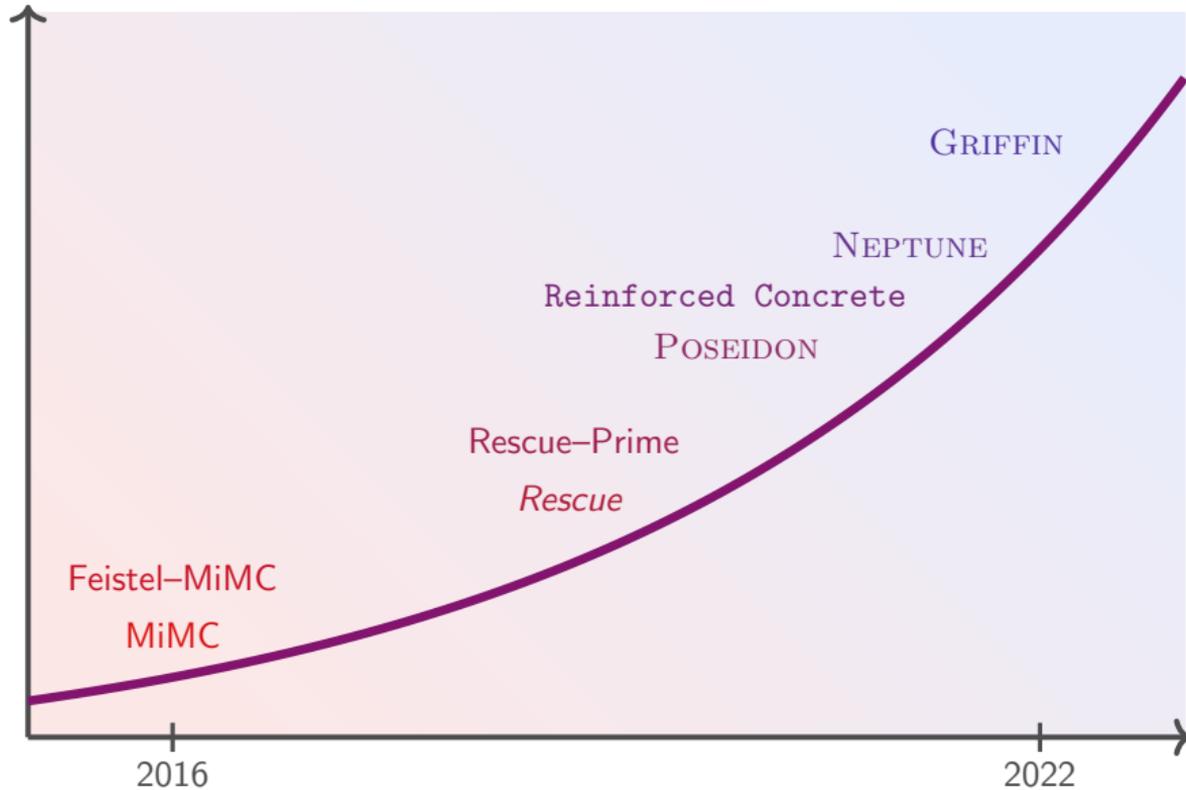
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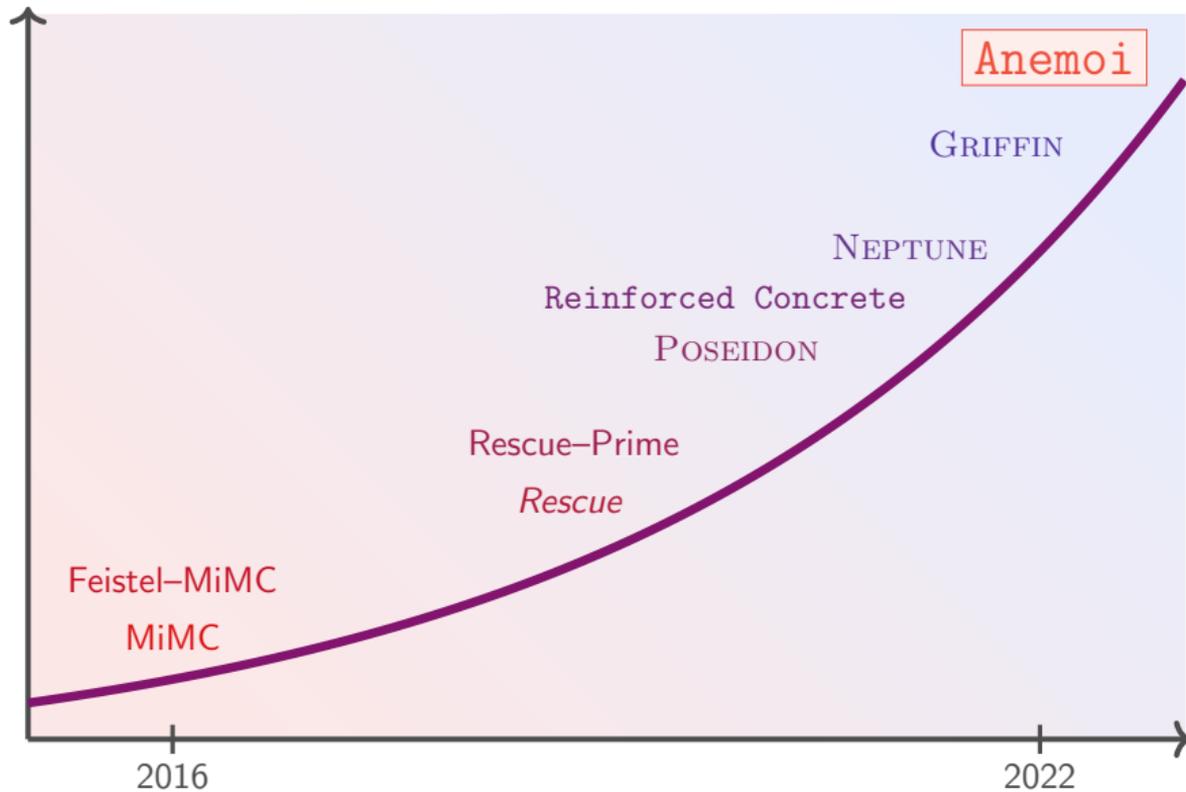


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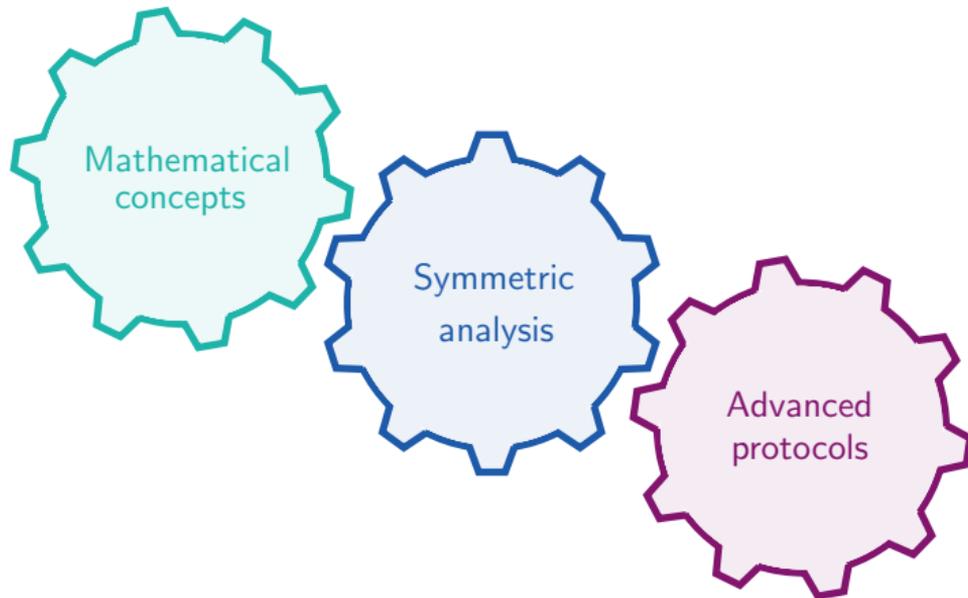
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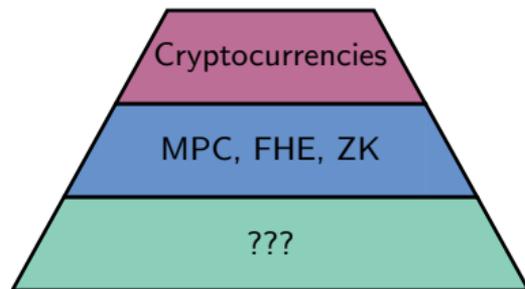
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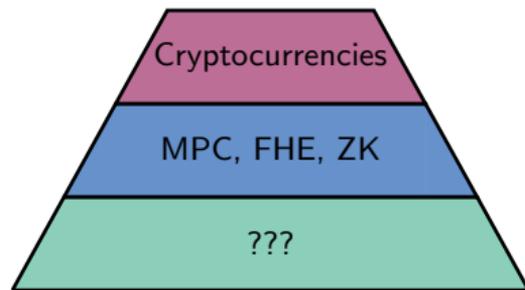


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⇒ What differs from the “usual” case?

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$\mathbb{F}_p = \mathbb{Z}/p\mathbb{Z}$ , with  $p$  given by Standardized Elliptic Curves.

### Examples:

- ★ Curve BLS12-381

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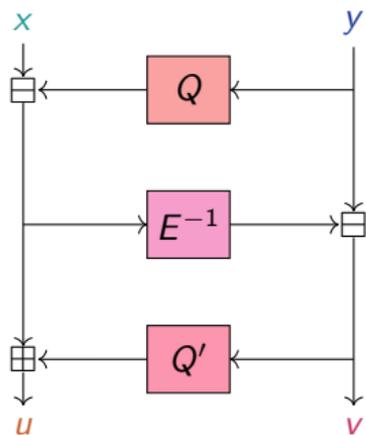
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Butterfly + Feistel  $\Rightarrow$  Flystel

A 3-round Feistel-network with

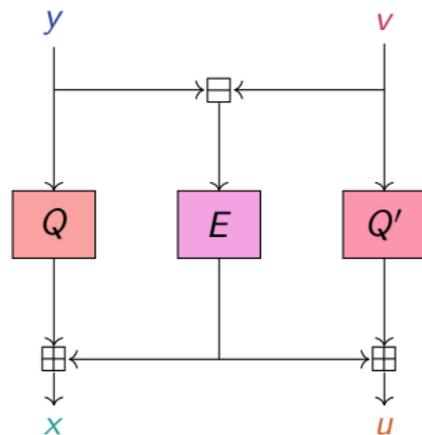
$Q : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$  and  $Q' : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$  two quadratic functions, and  $E : \mathbb{F}_q \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$  a permutation

High-degree permutation



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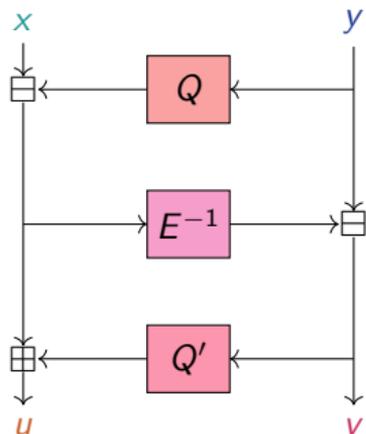
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$\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{V}$   
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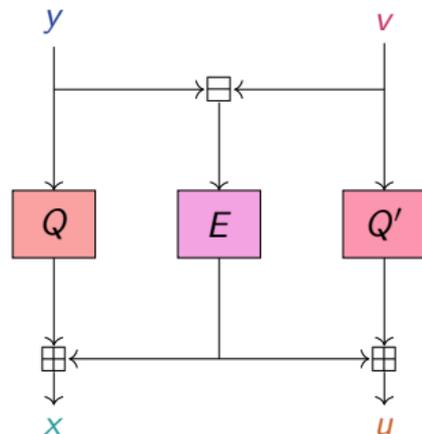
$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\mathcal{H}} &= \{((x, y), \mathcal{H}((x, y))) \mid (x, y) \in \mathbb{F}_q^2\} \\ &= \mathcal{A}(\{((v, y), \mathcal{V}((v, y))) \mid (v, y) \in \mathbb{F}_q^2\}) = \mathcal{A}(\Gamma_{\mathcal{V}}) \end{aligned}$$

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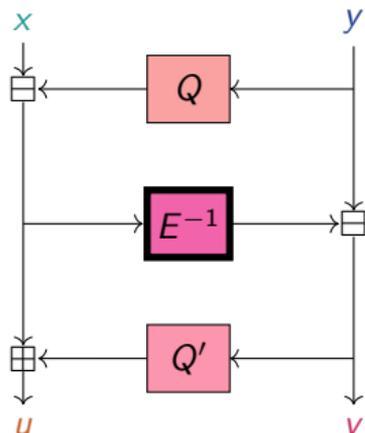


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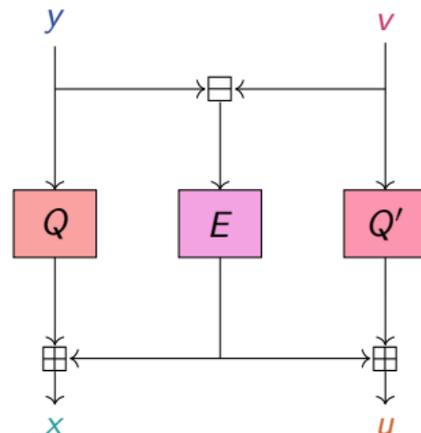
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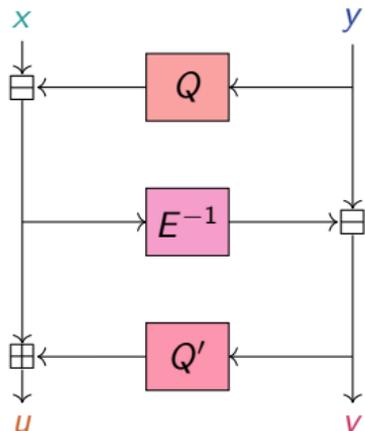
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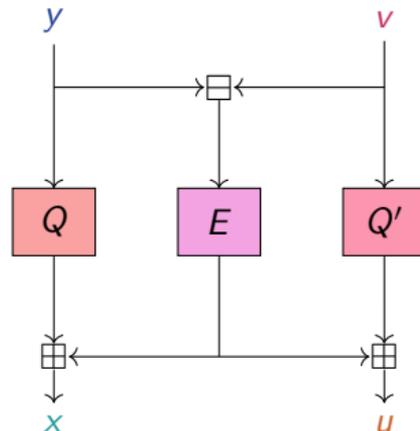
$$(u, v) == \mathcal{H}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow (x, u) == \mathcal{V}(y, v)$$

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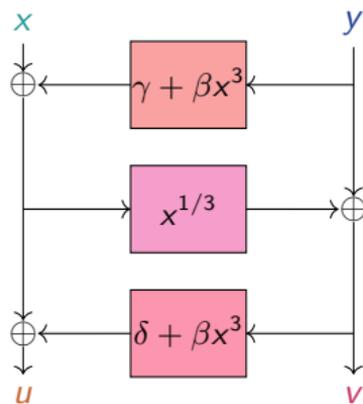
Flystel in  $\mathbb{F}_{2^n}$ 

Well-studied butterfly. First introduced by [Perrin et al. 2016].

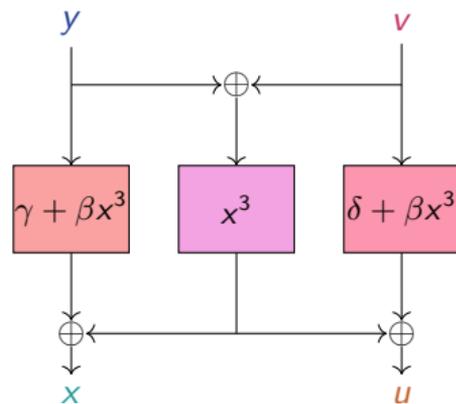
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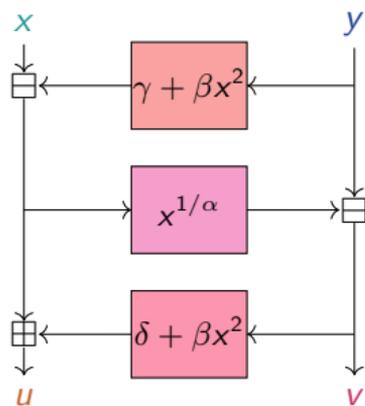
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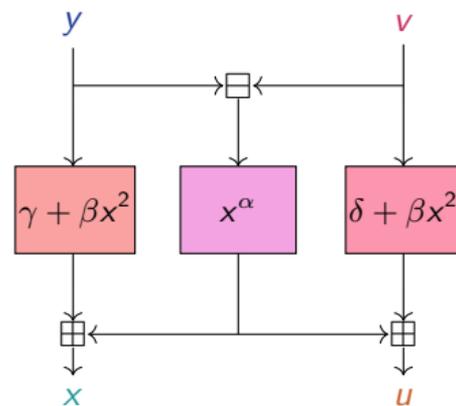
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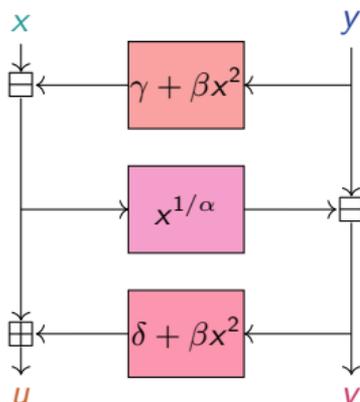
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Example Curve BLS12-381:

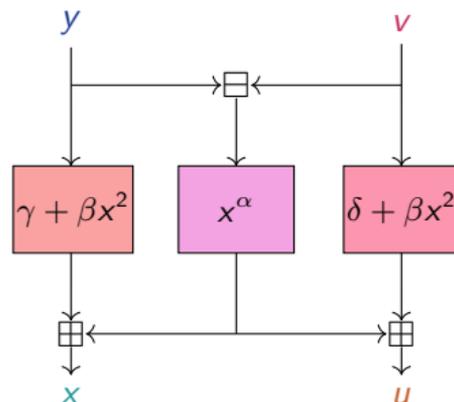
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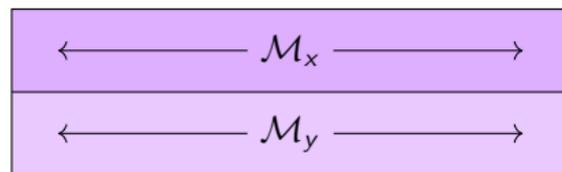
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## SPN: Substitution-Permutation Network

The internal state of Anemoi and its basic operations:

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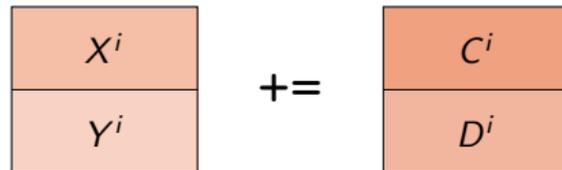
(a) Internal state



(b) The diffusion layer (matrix multiplication).

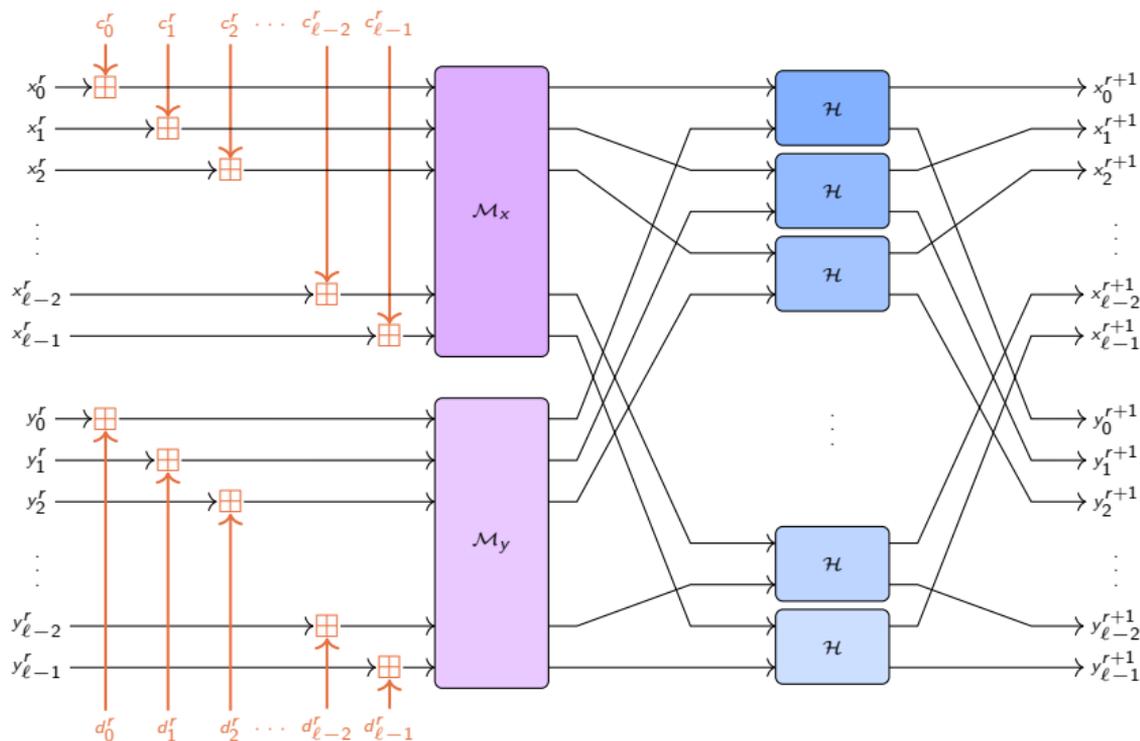


(c) The confusion or S-box layer  $\mathcal{H}$  (the Flystel).



(d) The constant addition.

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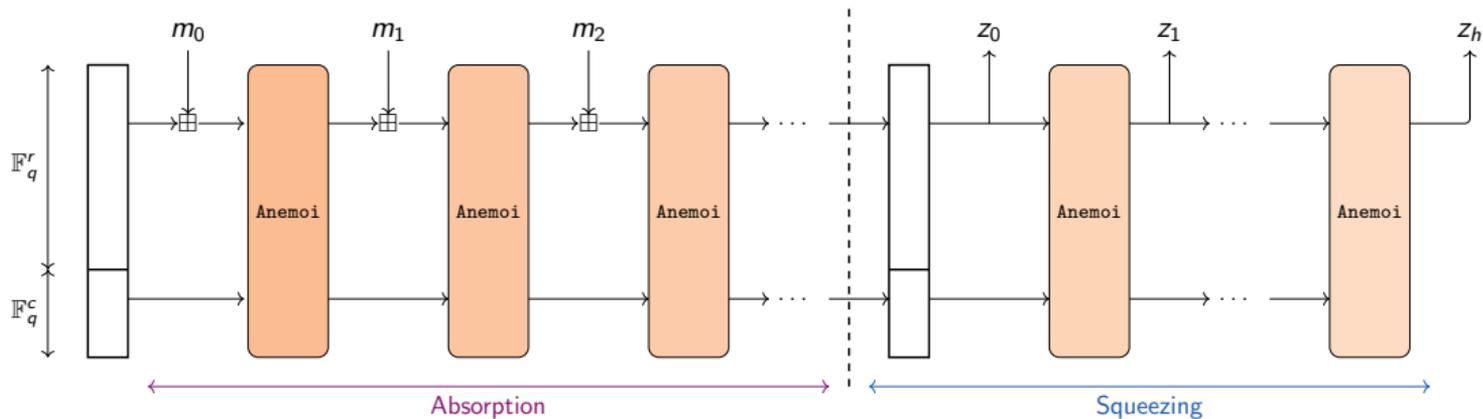


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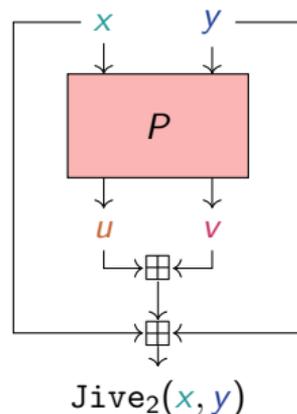
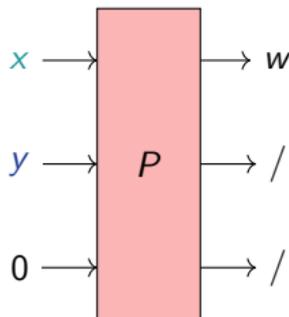
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## ★ Compression function:

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Dedicated mode  $\Rightarrow$  2 words in 1

$$(x, y) \mapsto x + y + u + v .$$



## Some Benchmarks

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# Conclusions

- ★ A new family of ZK-friendly hash functions:
  - ⇒ **Anemoi** efficient across proof system
- ★ New observations of fundamental interest:
  - ★ Standalone components:
    - ★ New S-box: **Flystel**
    - ★ New mode: **Jive**
  - ★ Identify a link between AO and CCZ-equivalence
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*Thanks for your attention!*

