

Cryptography

with Dispensable Backdoors

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Can this be avoided?

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I know how to do this

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I know how to do this



Ha! I heard it

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I know how to do this



Ha! I heard it

Meeau too!

And it's the same for all phones

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Yields:

- Encryption where one out of many keys can be recovered
- Only this one! All other keys/encryptions are safe
 - *Dispensable-backdoor encryption.*

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Reset the token

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Can we do it from
stateless tokens?

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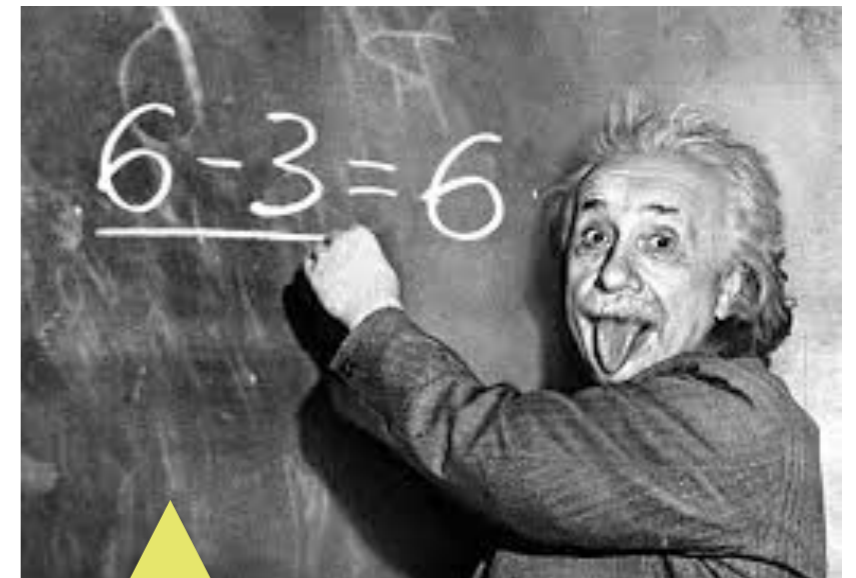
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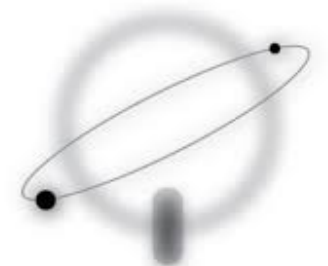


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I have exactly what you
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