

The *Real* SHA-2,3,...

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All hail SHA-3!

- ▶ NIST standardized SHA-3 this month (FIPS-202)
- ▶ 4th SHA, coming after SHA-0, SHA-1, SHA-2
- ▶ Winner of an *academic competition*
- ▶ Markedly different from SHA-2, SHA-1, SHA-0

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Figure : Fact: 1 bitte (French bit) \ll 1 German gate

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Please contact me to make SHA-4 a reality!!

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