

# Considerations on separation of hash

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# Overview of my presentation :

## How to support diverse sizes of data

- Current PQCs seems OK with [authentication and small data](#).
- Current PQCs seems OK with [signing for large data](#), if it were with pre-hash.
- However, it seems We need
  - to [differentiate two usecases ? OR](#)
    - Use different PQC protocol (including minor change) AND
      - e.g. hash(0|tr|m)for without pre-hash, hash(1|tr|m) for with pre-hash.
    - introduce salted external pre-hash for large file
  - to [use same PQC protocol ?](#)
    - Compiler approach? A compiler, which take (NIST)pqc signature algorithm as input, and output general PQC protocol
- Issues
  - Can we divide “small data” and “large data”?
    - authentication and signing? can we draw hard line between them?
    - With some size(i.e. 100k )? It can effect interoperability a lot.
  - Who and where should design compiler?
    - Anyone interested?
- Appendix: PDF signing data structure

# Usecases for signing

If lifetime of data is longer, We should prepare more in advanced

Purpose	Usecase	Lifetime of Data	Data Sizes
Authentication	Authentication	days	several Kilobytes
Sign	Legally binding agreement	can be decades	hundreds Kilobytes
	Medical data CAD data		can be several Gigabytes
Time stamp	Time stamp	around one decade	several Kilobytes

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Signed data sometime have much larger data

We use HSMs for Signing purpose,

- raw data for Multi-slice CT can be 2GB for a single inspection (2MB/slice, 1000 slices).
- PDF file for CAD data can be several GBs .

It is very resource consuming to calculate entire hash outside of HSM (I would say it is not realistic)

# Not realistic to calculate several Gigabytes inside HSM.

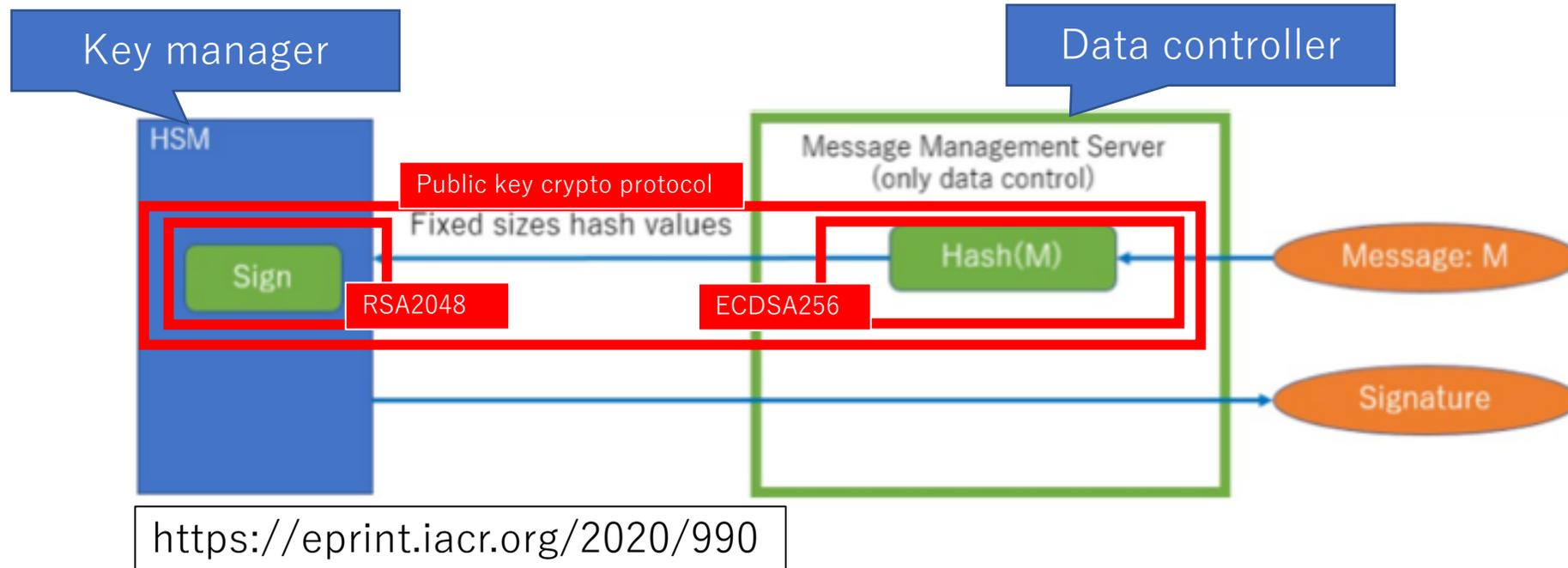
(it would be faster with HW accelerator, but still, it is not for HSMs.)

Scheme	Cryptography Boundary Type	Time (millisecond)				
		1k	10k	100k	1M	10M
FALCON	A	33.36	38.08	142.26	1240.59	11667.19
	B	0				
DILITHIUM	A	34.67	45.79	156.19	1351.4	12727.83
qTESLA	A (before Ver. 2.8)	34.78	44.78	138.05	1196.26	11810.52
	B (from Ver. 2.8)	30.84	38.25	38.63	38.63	31.42

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# Current Practice (with RSA or ECDSA):

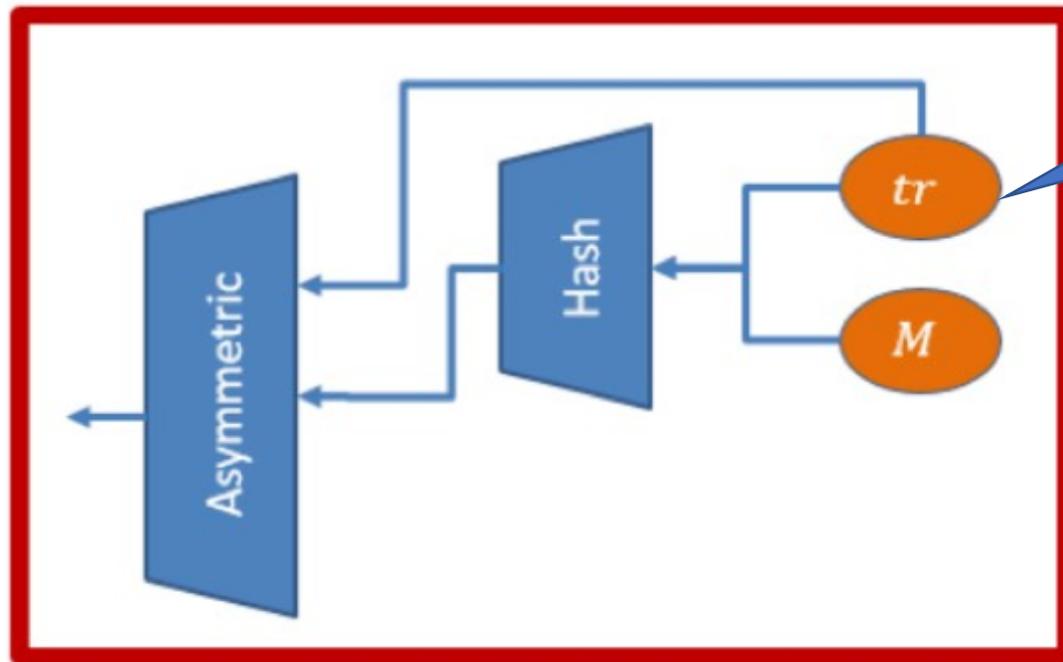
divide Public key crypto into asymmetric operation(in HSM) and hashing(in data control server)



# Does it work with PQCs?

It seems we may not divide in some situation.

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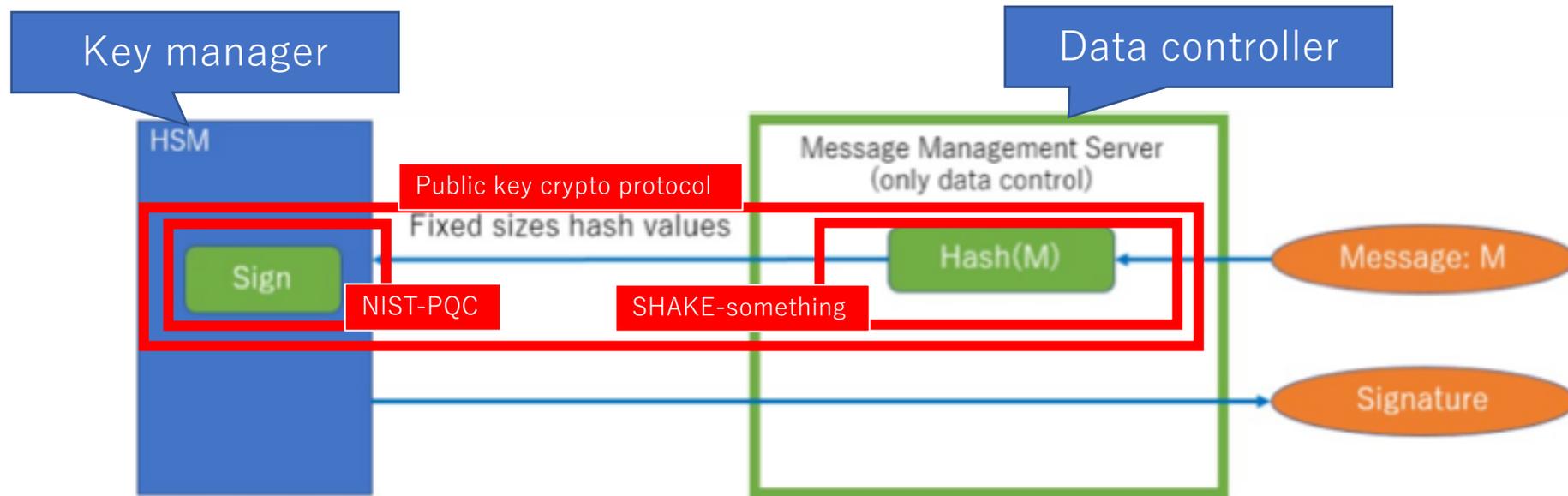
Should be secret  
# I am not sure how strict it should be

Tr and asymmetric operation should be  
inside of HSM.  
Then, hash should be inside of HSM also.

data control only able to bypass?

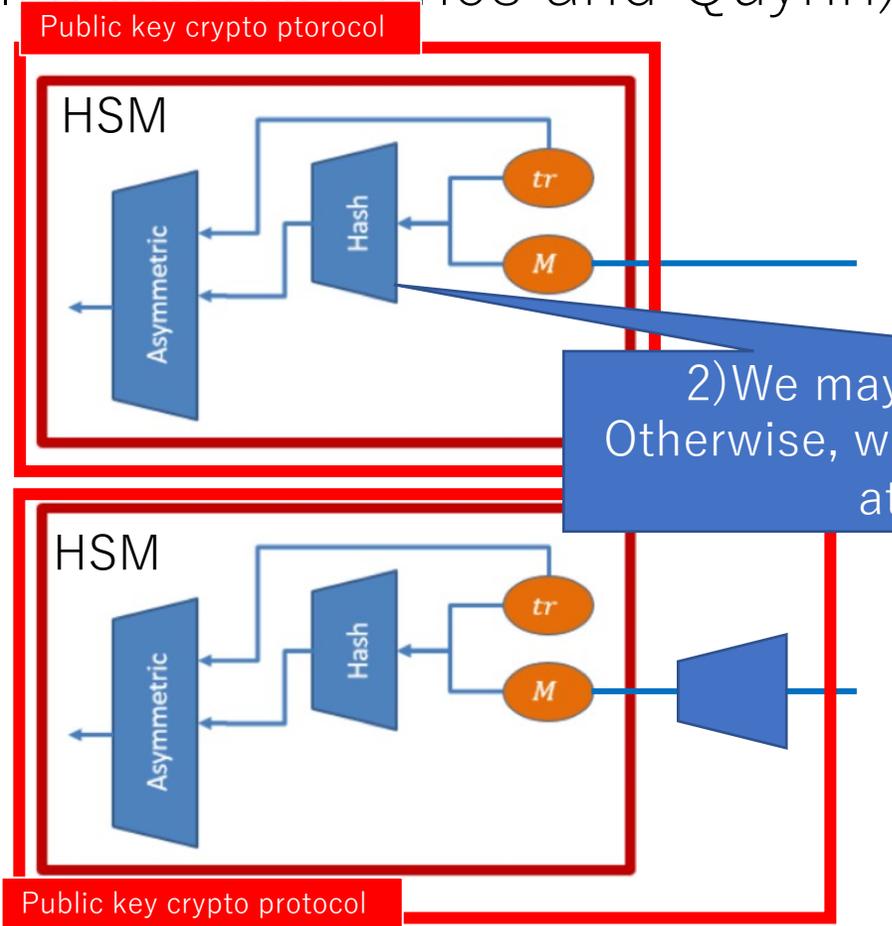
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We may be able to use pre-hash approach



# Issue with pre-hash?

(thanks for coment for Ilari, Mike, Panos and Quynh)



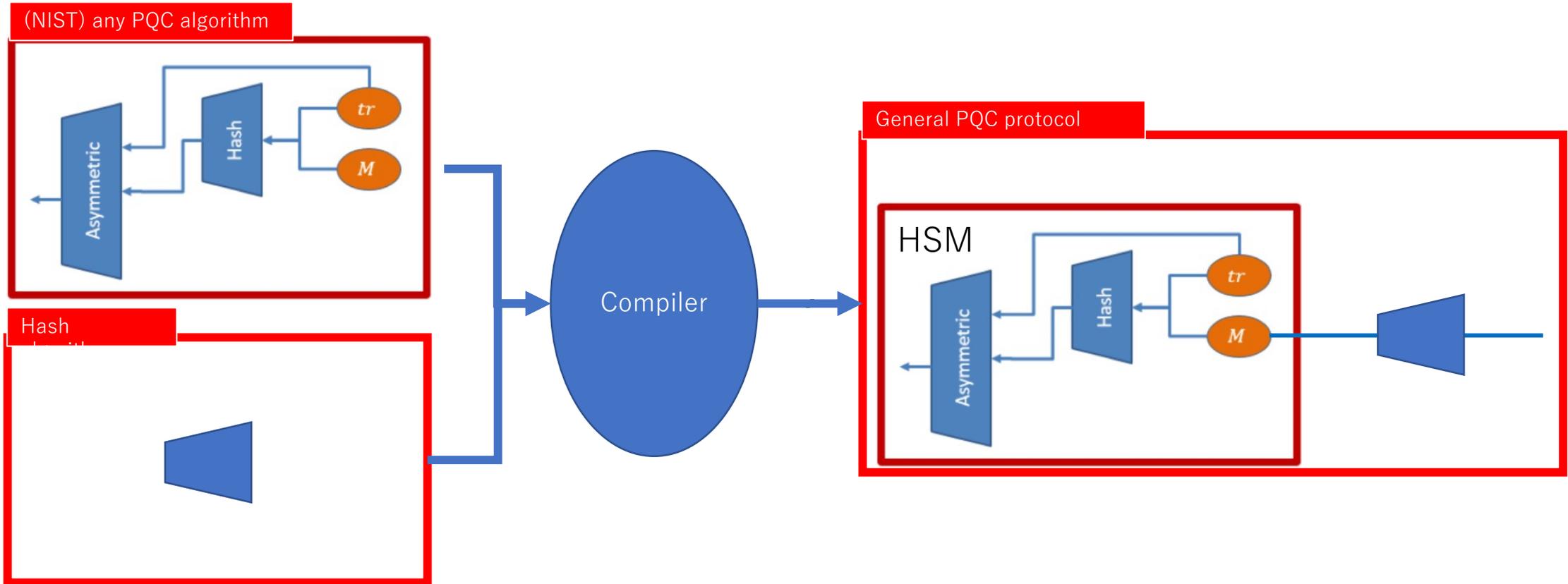
Small data  
(e.g. auth)

large data  
(e.g. auth)

1) Can we draw clear line for large and small?

2) We may need to differentiate this hash. Otherwise, without pre-hash one can be used to attack with pre-hash one.

Another choice :  
make compiler for PQC signature protocol?



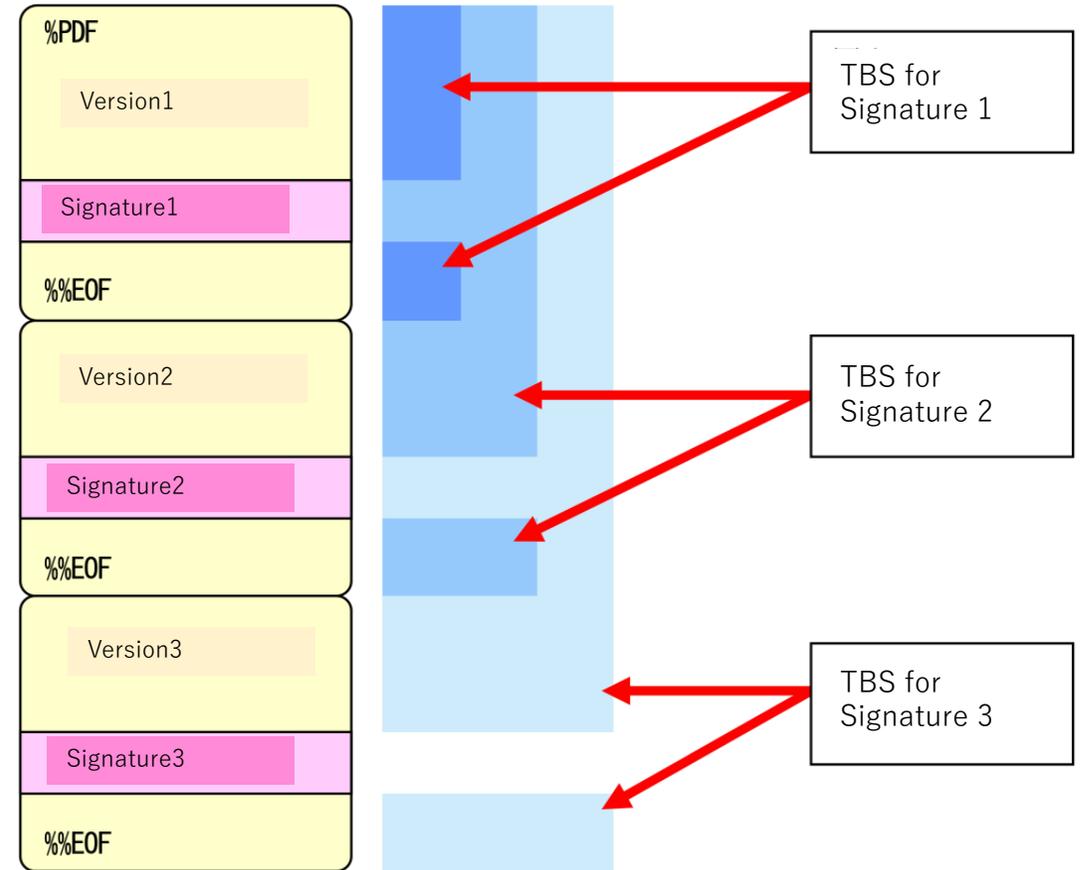
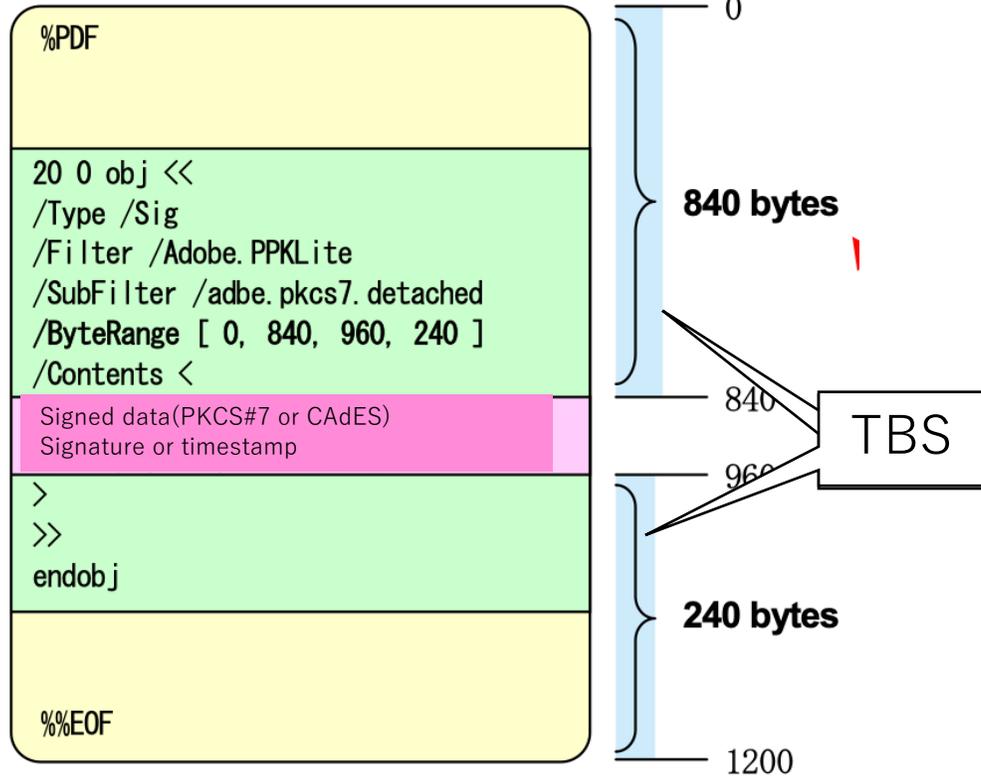
Compiler( PQC algo, some pre-hash, (+ with some data format on input?)) => general PQC Signature

Pro: designing compiler can be done parallel to NIST PQC Project

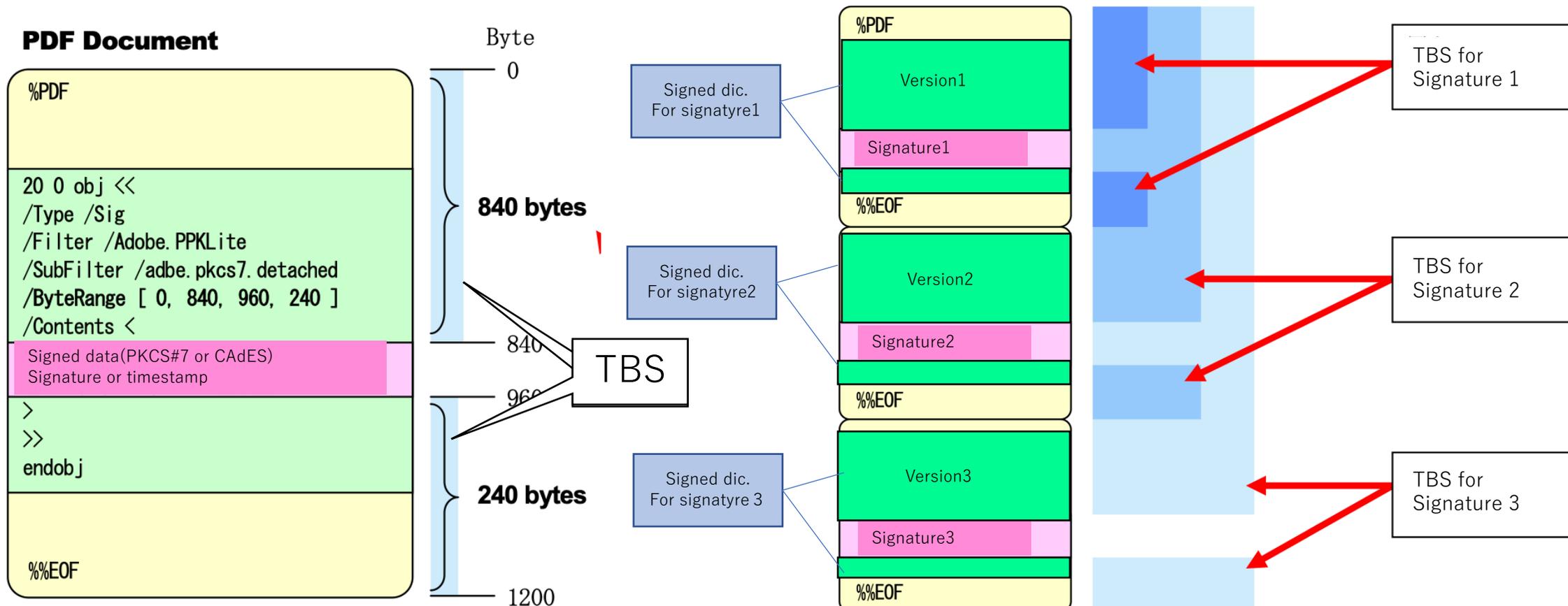
Con: I am not sure where to discuss that.

# Appendix: An example of PDF serial signature

## PDF Document



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Note: Single Signature Dictionary(green area) with single CMS Signed Data with Single singer Info

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