

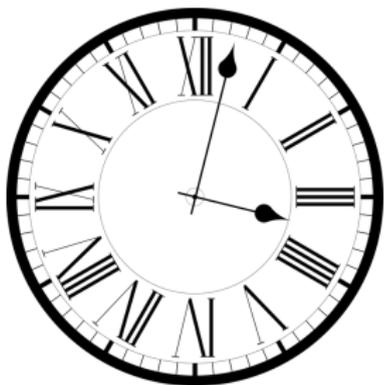
Typically-Correct Derandomization for Small Time and Space

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Time, space, and randomness



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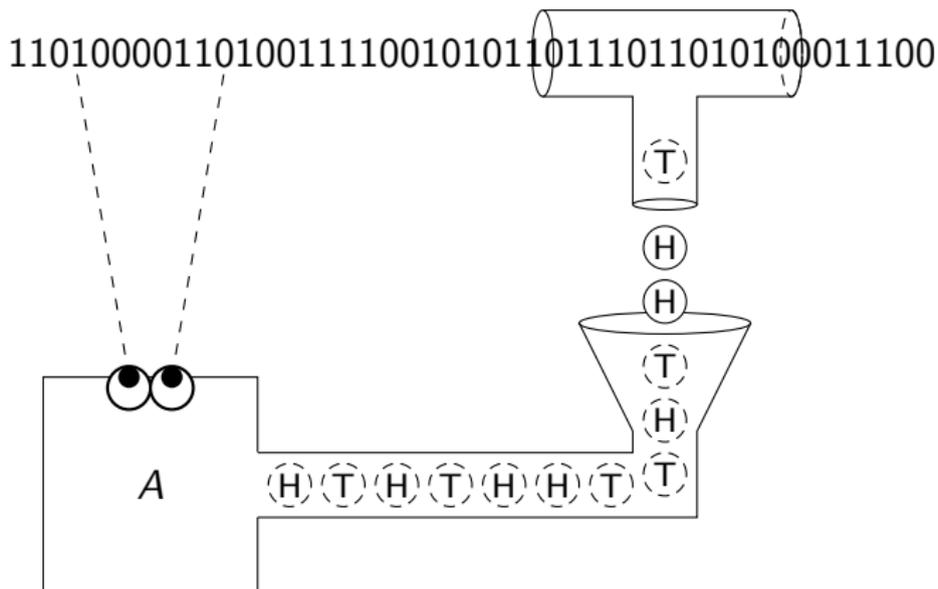
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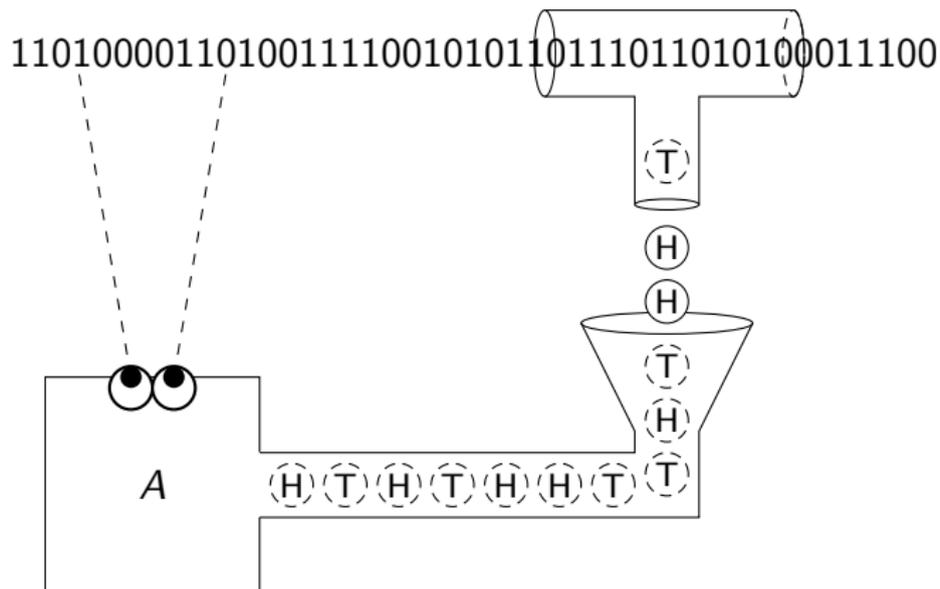
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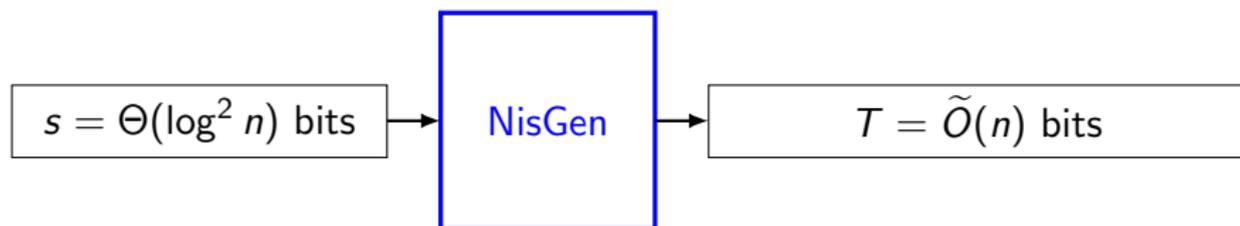
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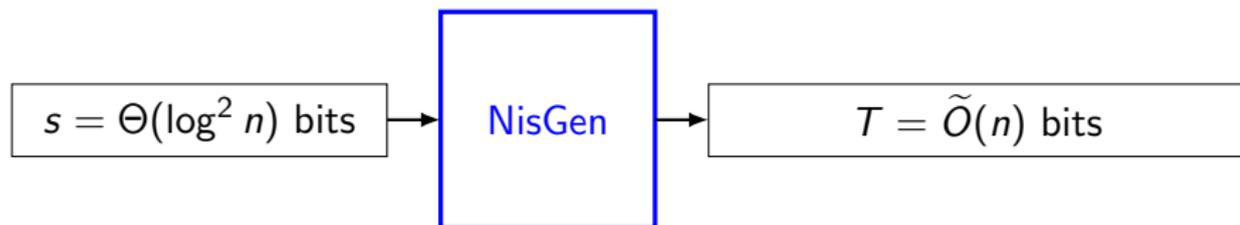
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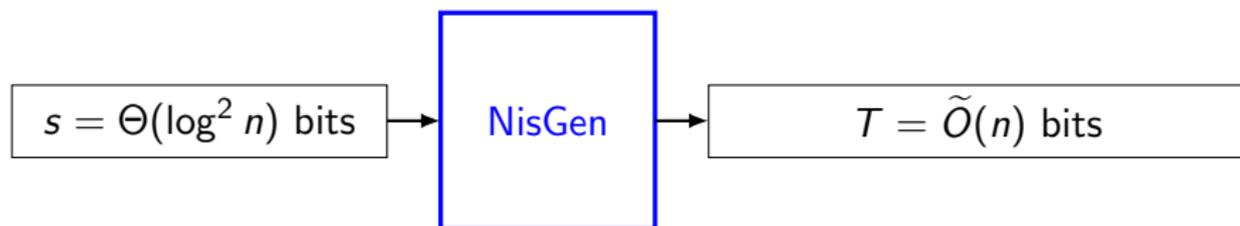


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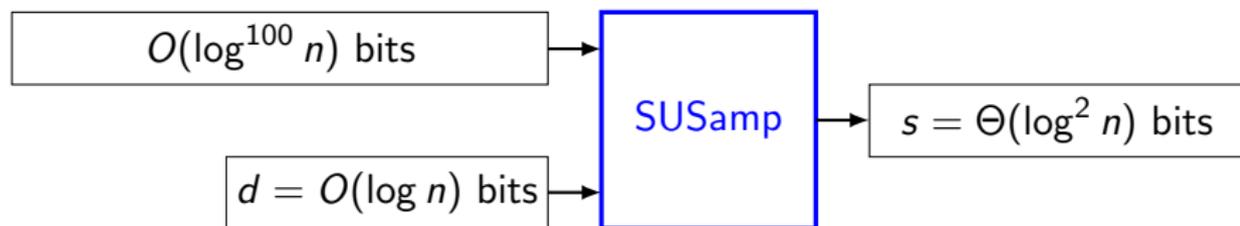


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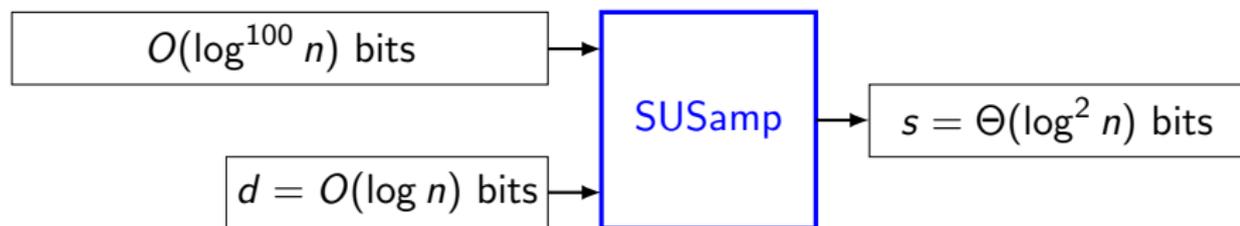
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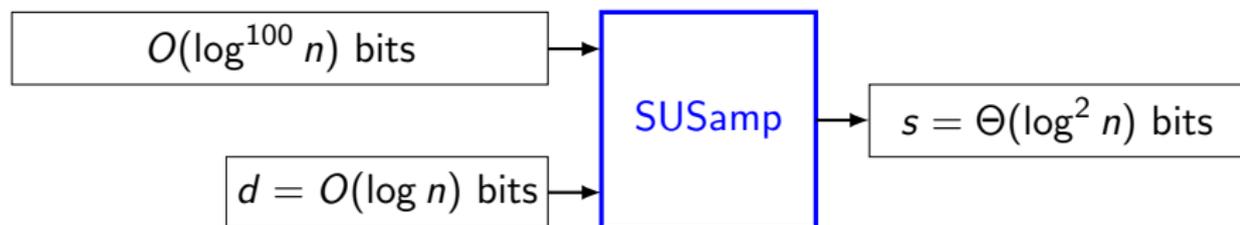


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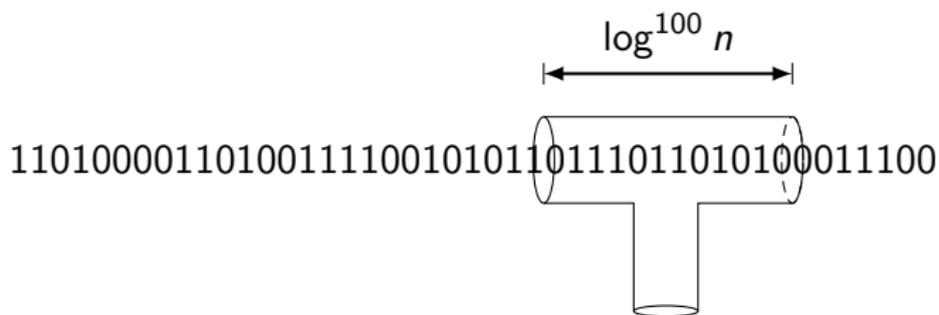
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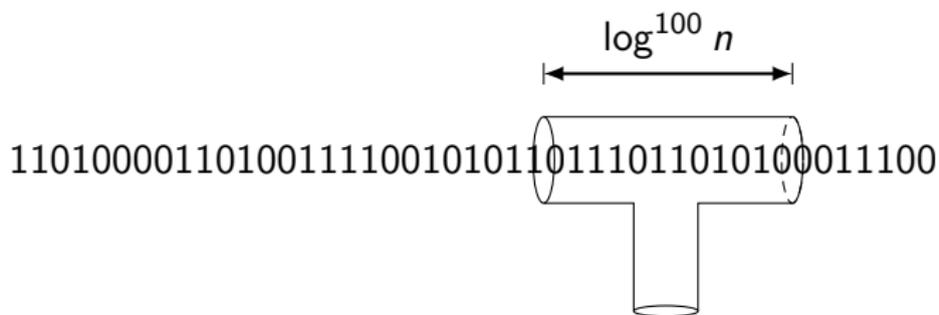
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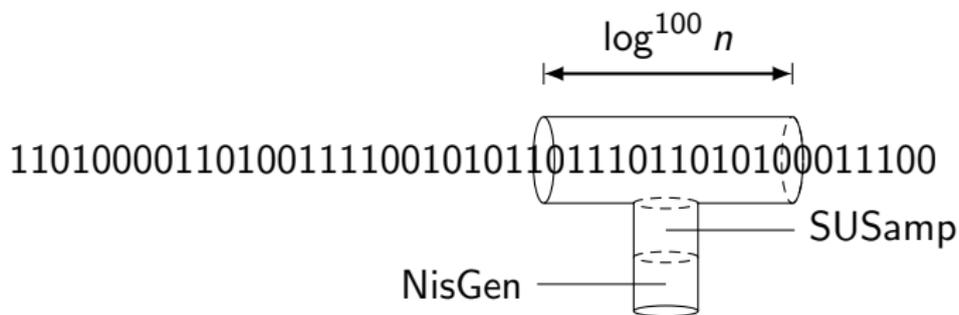
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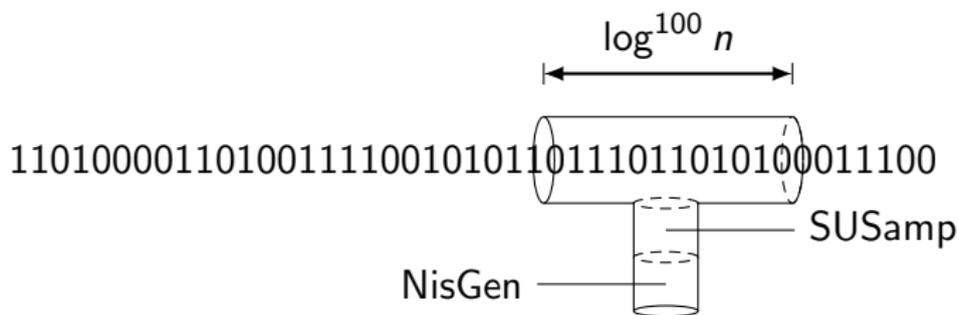
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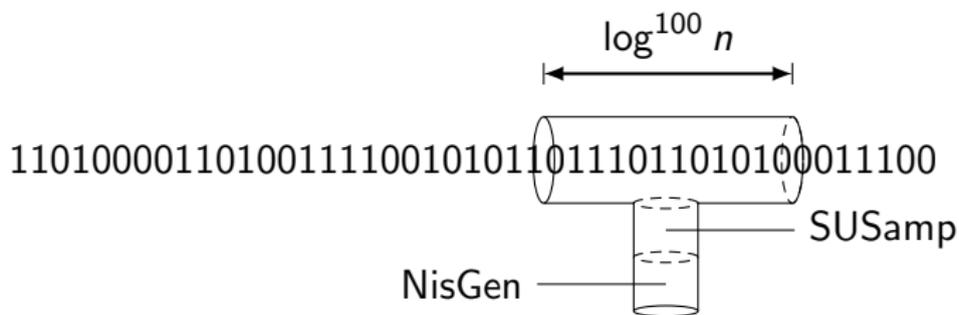
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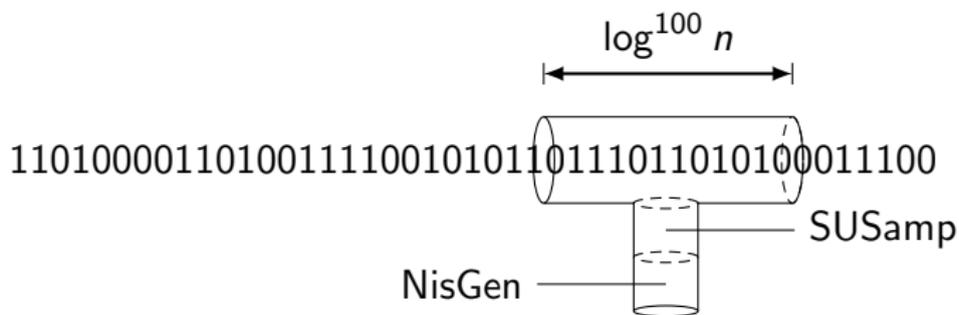
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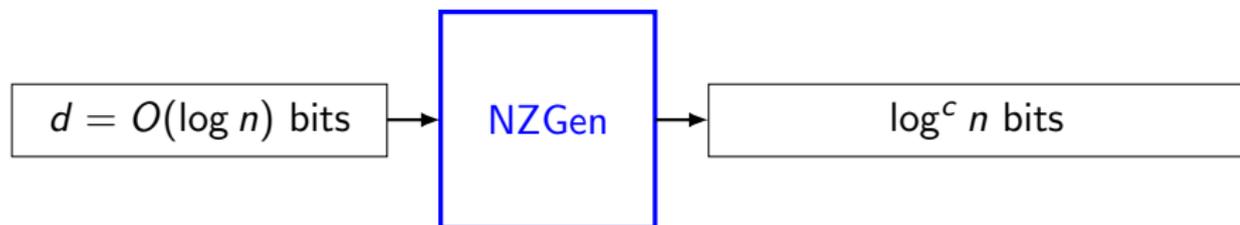
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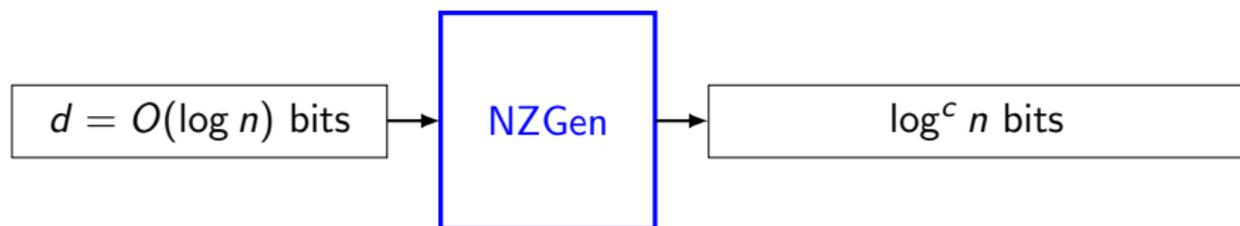
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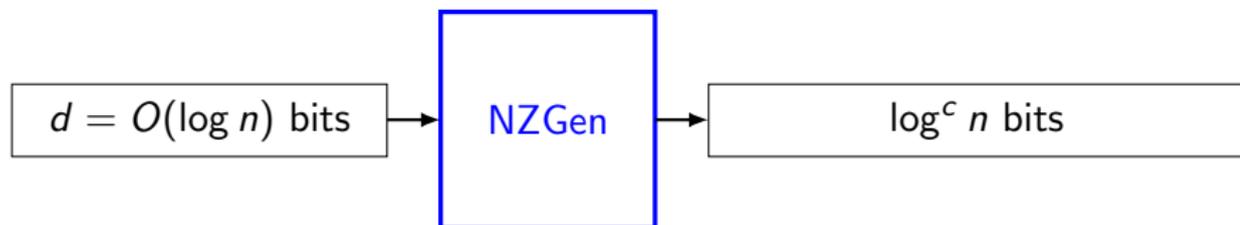
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