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I will discuss the following two results. I will assume no prior knowledge of quantum information or the PCP theorem.

1) The membership of x in SAT (for x of length n) can be proved by a logarithmic-size quantum state $|\Psi\rangle$, together with a polynomial-size classical proof consisting of blocks of length $\text{polylog}(n)$ bits each, such that after measuring the state $|\Psi\rangle$ a verifier only needs to read ONE of the blocks of the classical proof.

This shows that if a short quantum witness is available then a (classical) PCP with only one query is possible.

2) The class $QIP/poly$ contains ALL languages. That is: for any language L (even non-recursive), the membership of x in L (for x of length n) can be proved by a polynomial-size quantum interactive proof, where the verifier is a polynomial-size quantum circuit with working space initiated with some quantum state $|\Psi(L,n)\rangle$ (depending only on L and n).

The interactive proof that we give is of only one round, and the messages communicated are classical. The advice $|\Psi(L,n)\rangle$ given to the verifier can also be replaced by a classical probabilistic advice, as long as this advice is kept as a secret from the prover.

The second result can hence be interpreted as: The class $IP/poly$ contains all languages.

For the proof of the second result, we introduce the "quantum low-degree-extension" of a

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string of bits. The first result requires an additional machinery of "quantum low-degree-test".