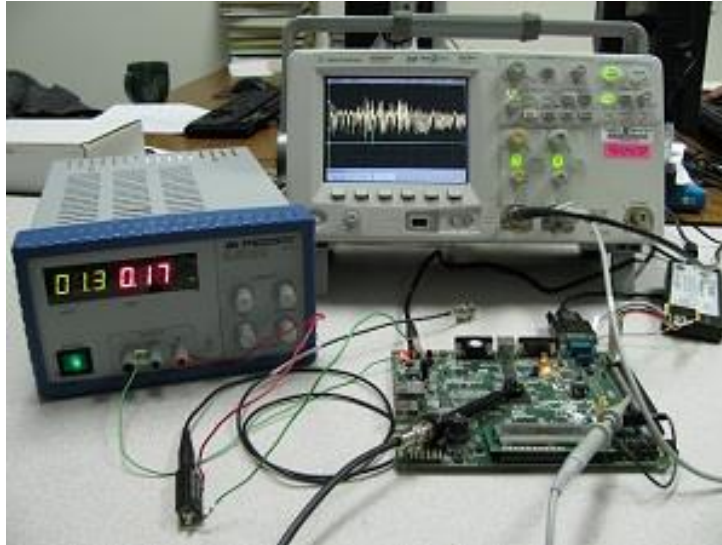


# Leakage-Resilient (Symmetric) Cryptography



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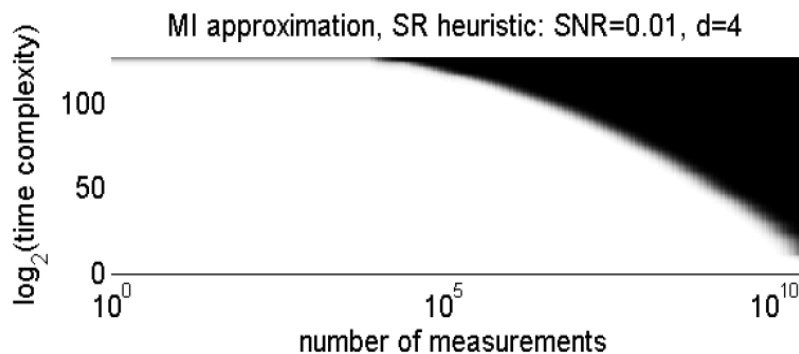
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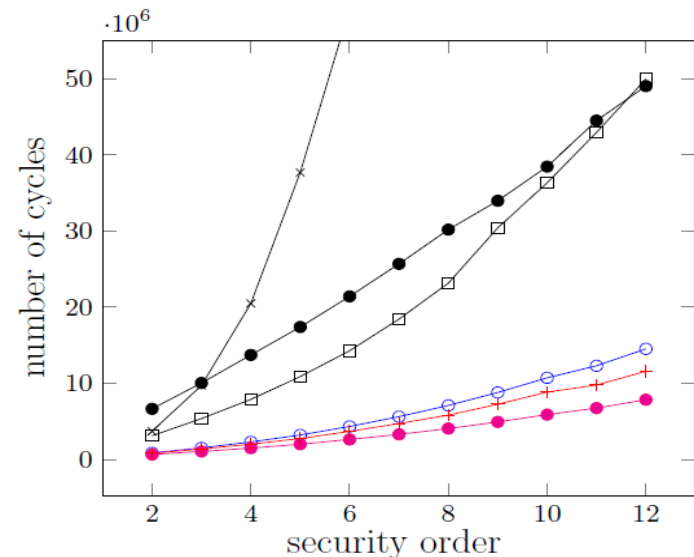
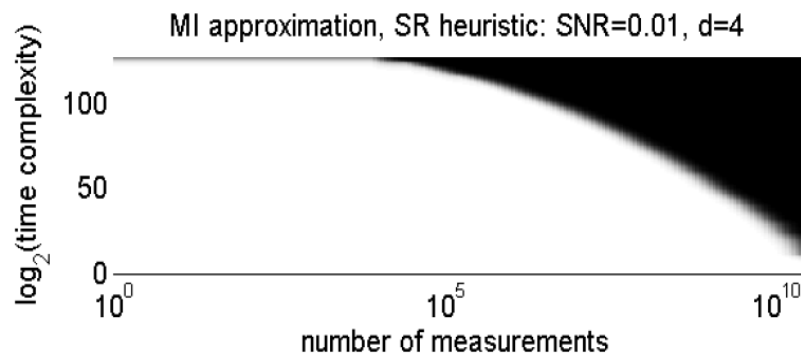
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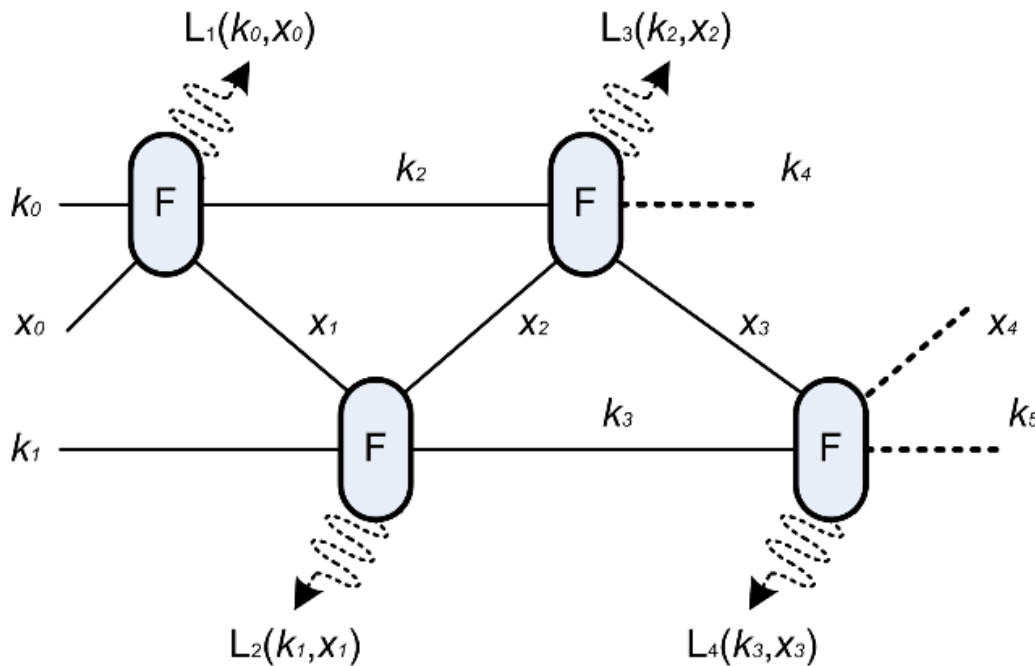


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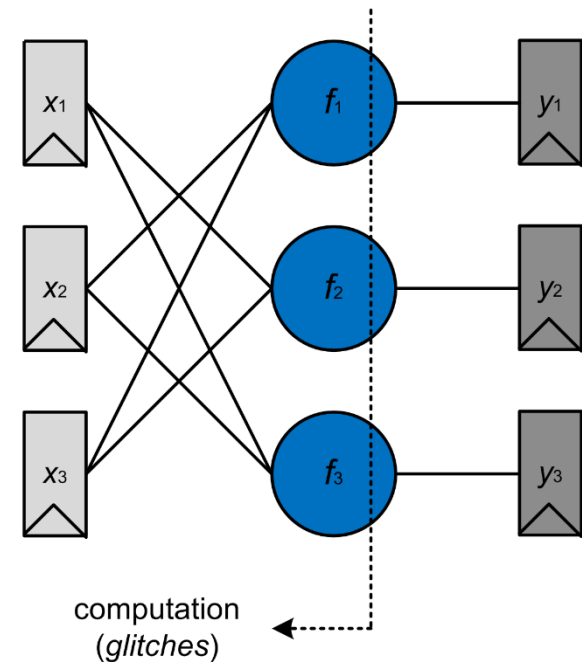
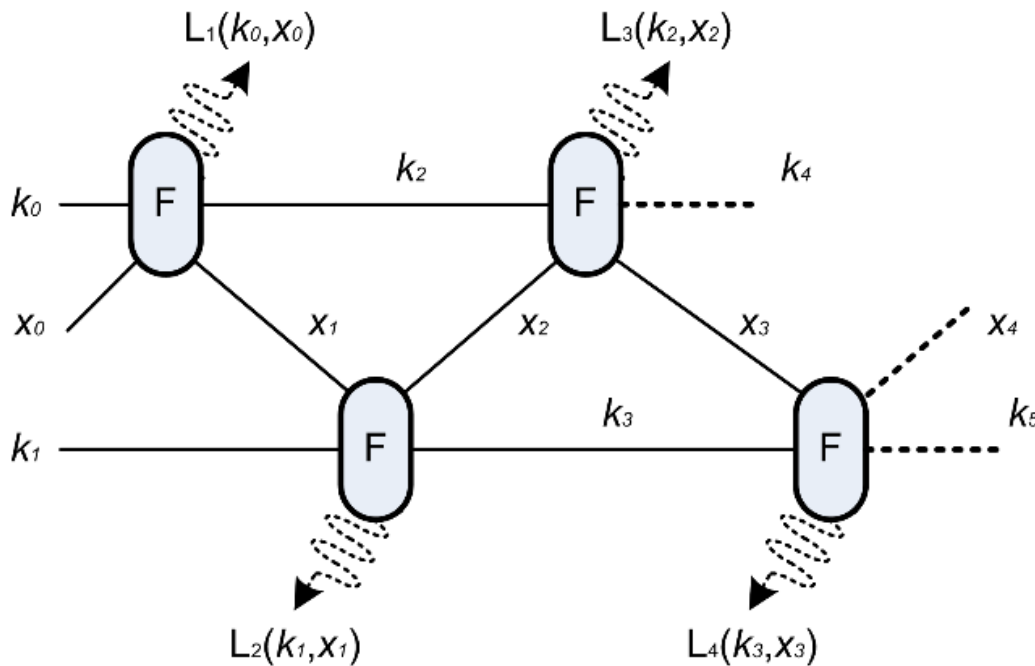
- Physically observable cryptography
  - « Only computation leaks » assumption
    - Used in all following works
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    - Impact for encryption & authentication

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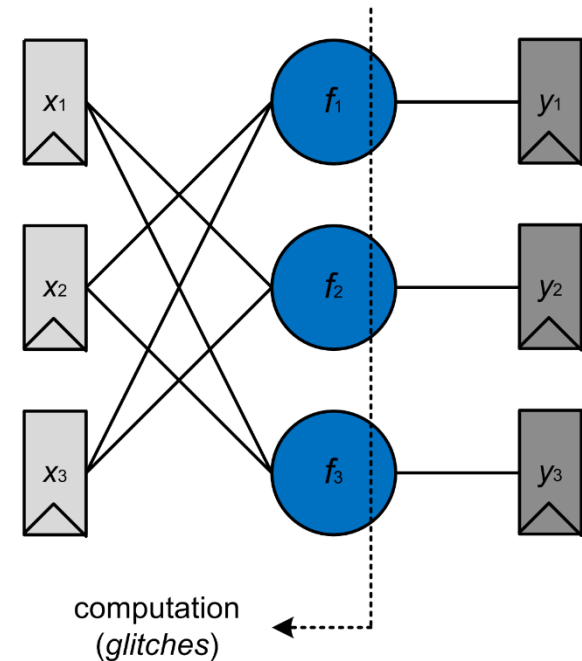
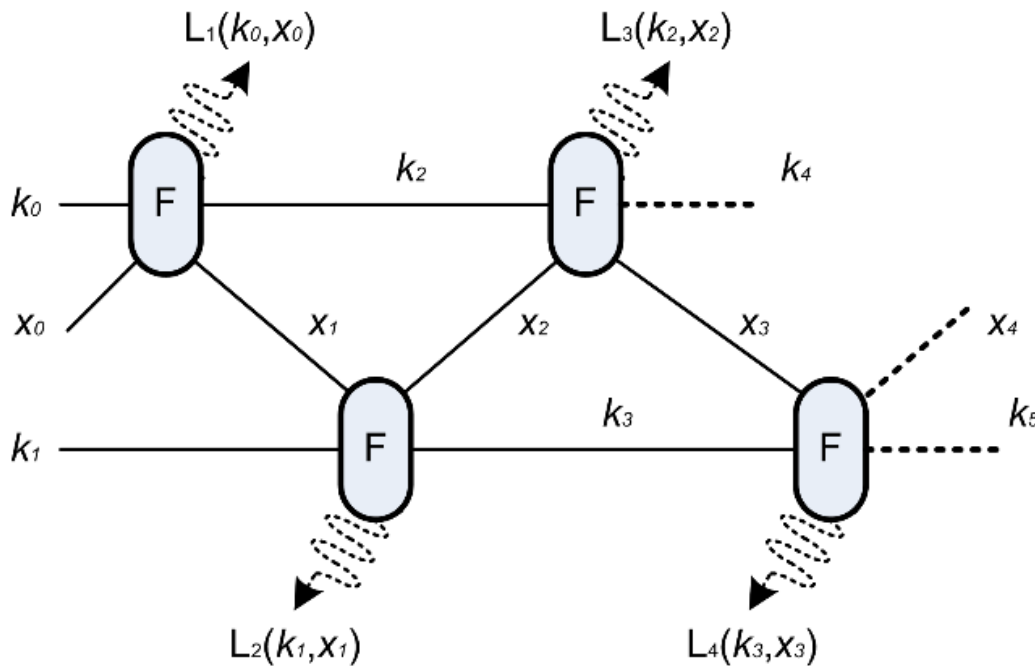
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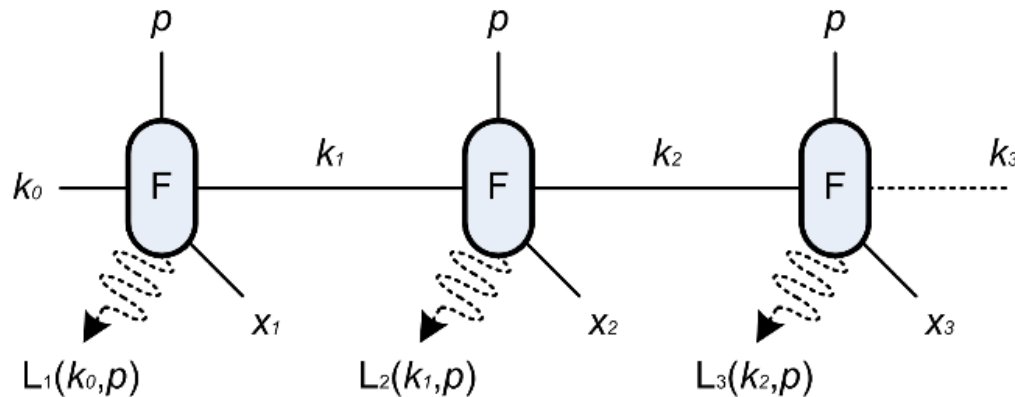
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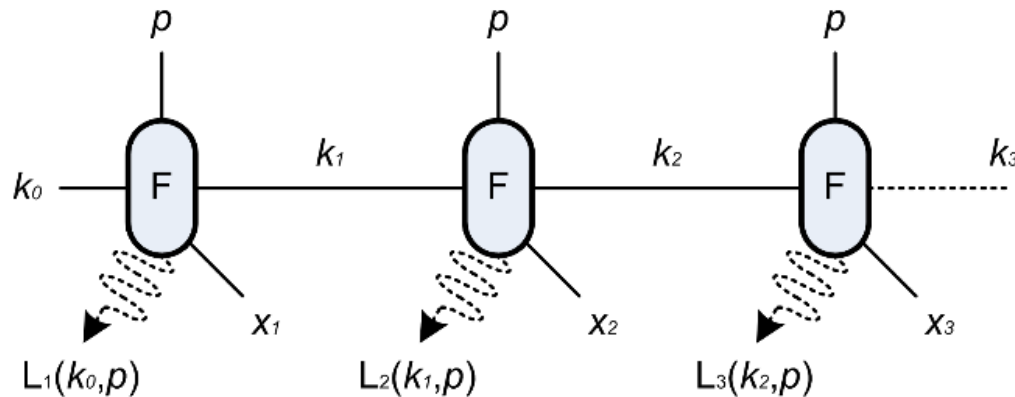
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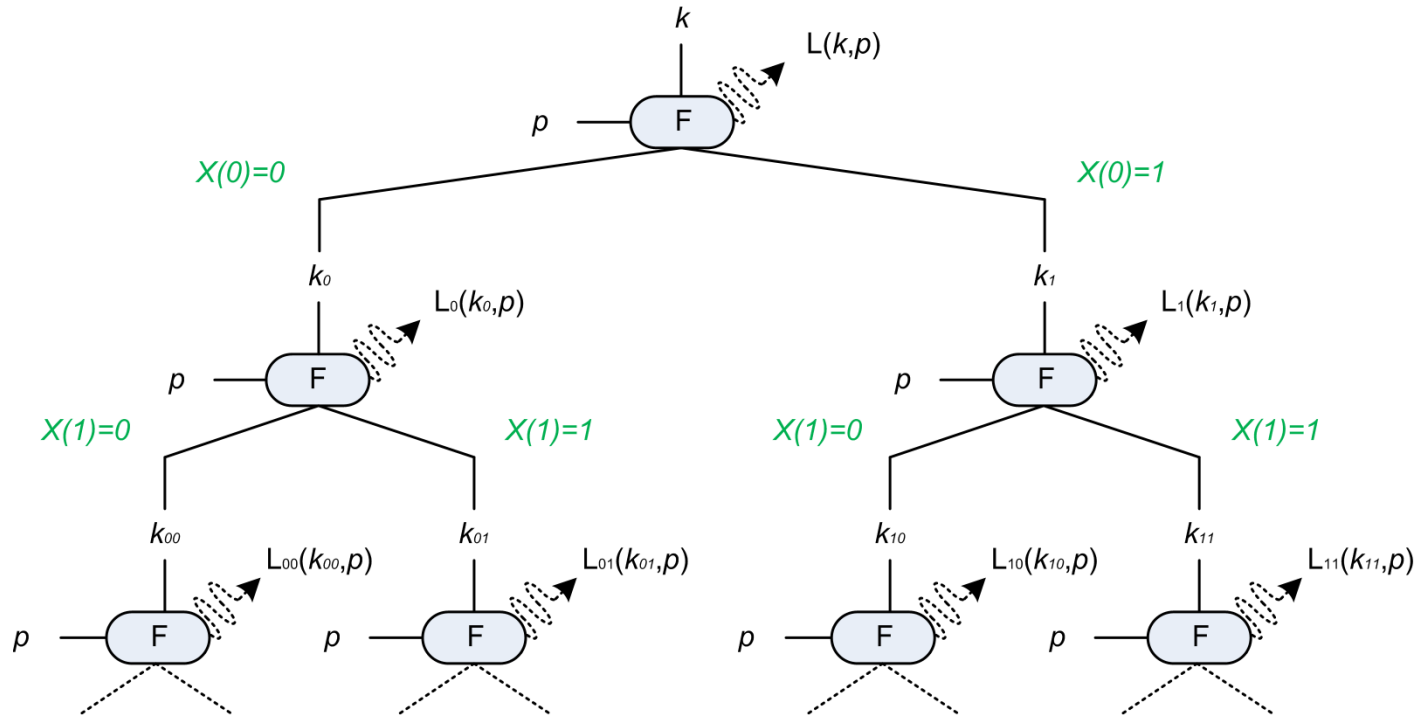


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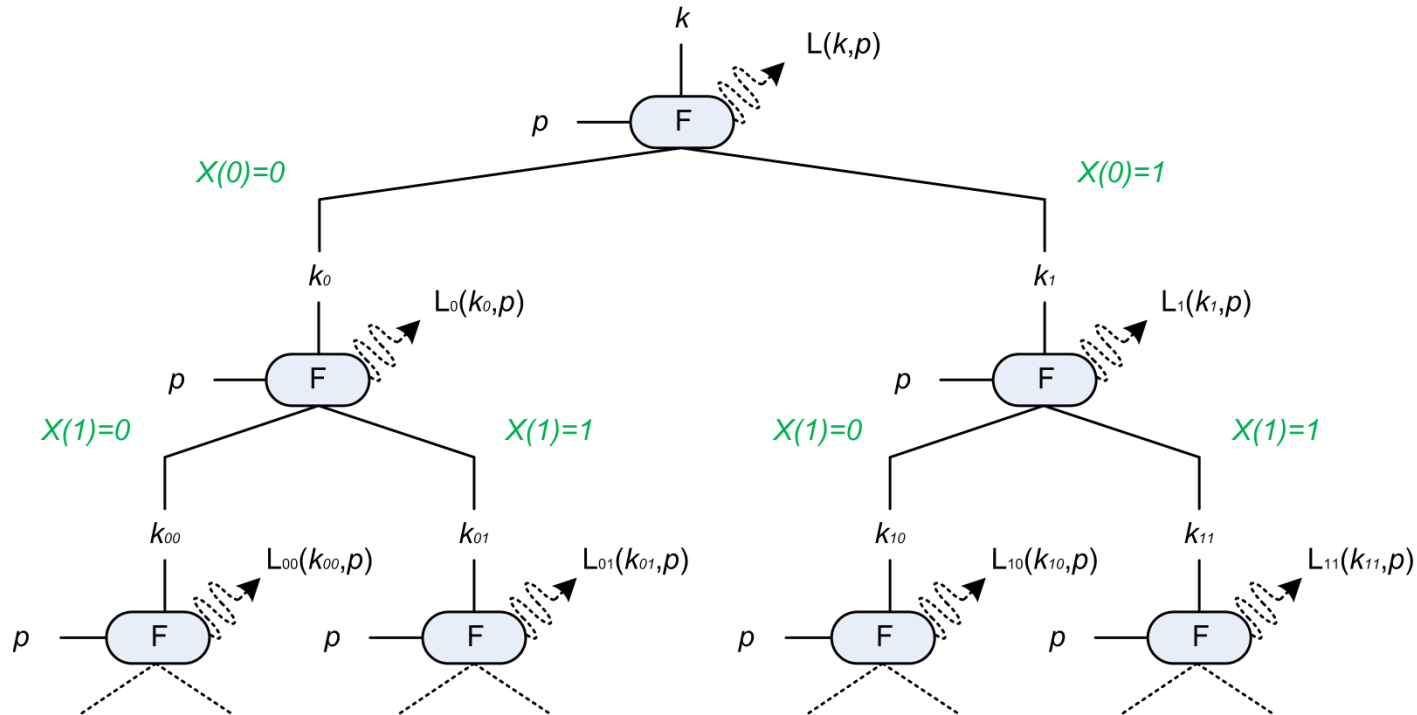


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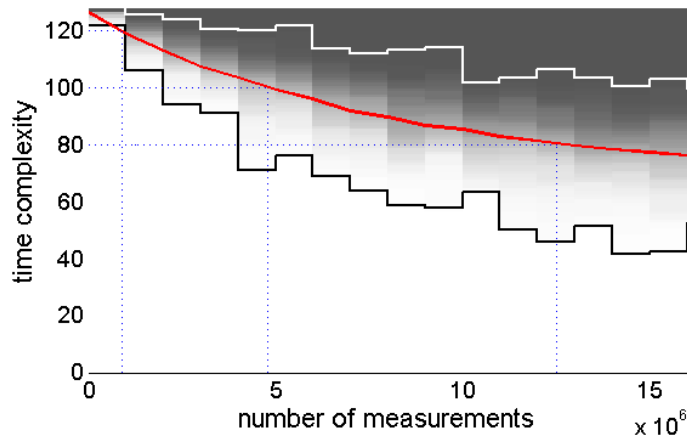
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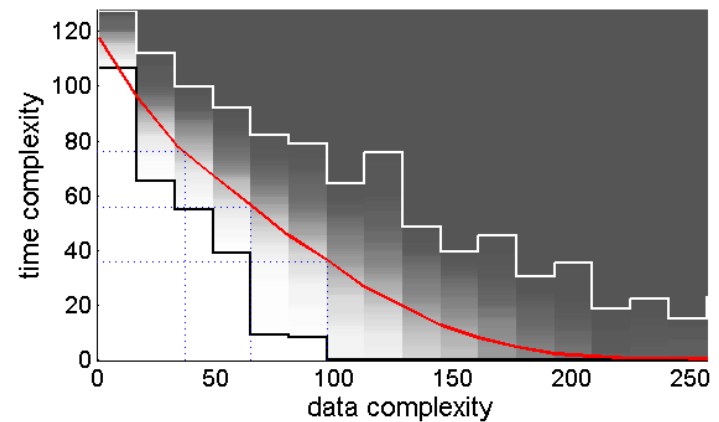
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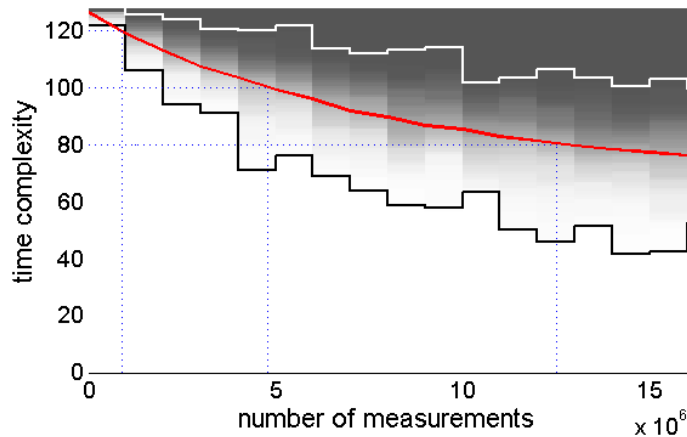


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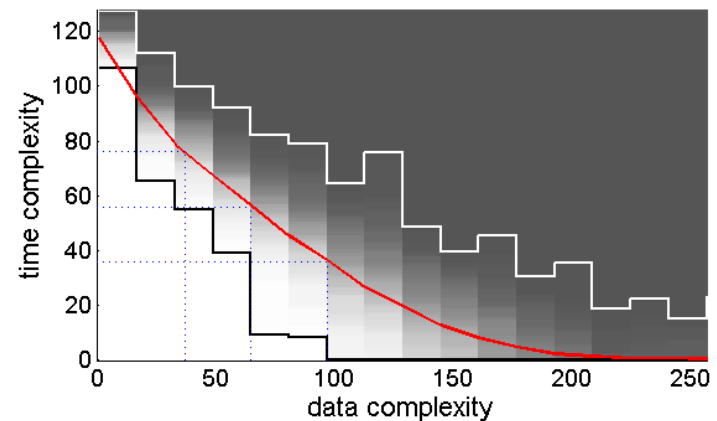


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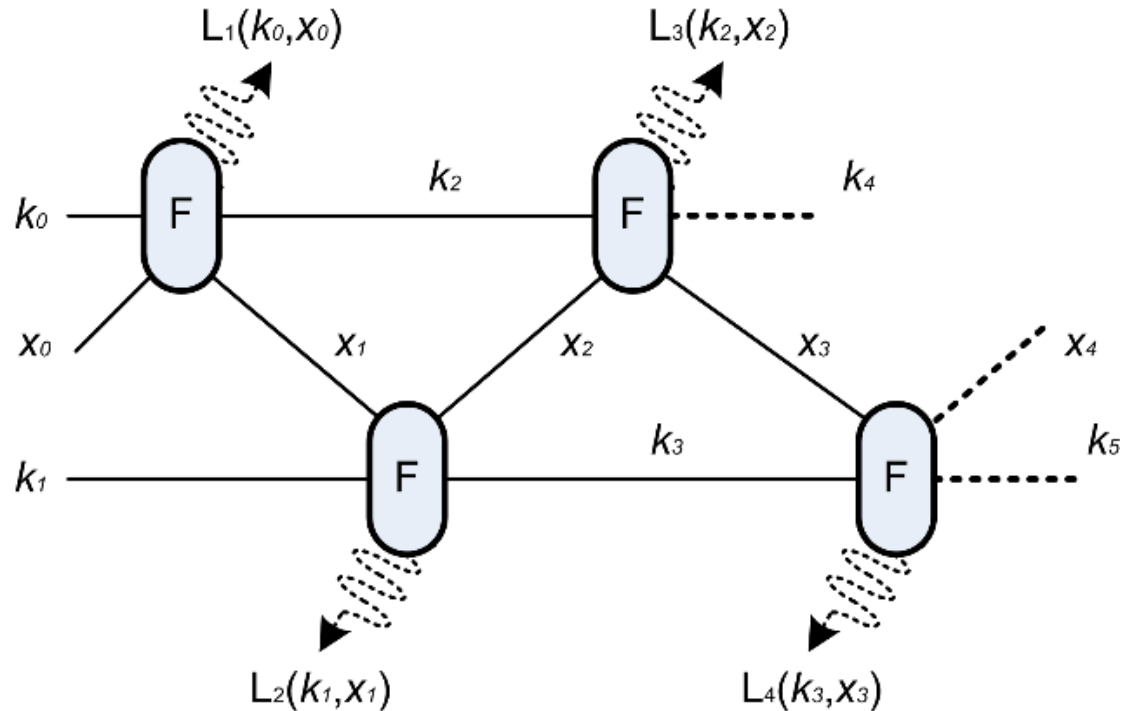
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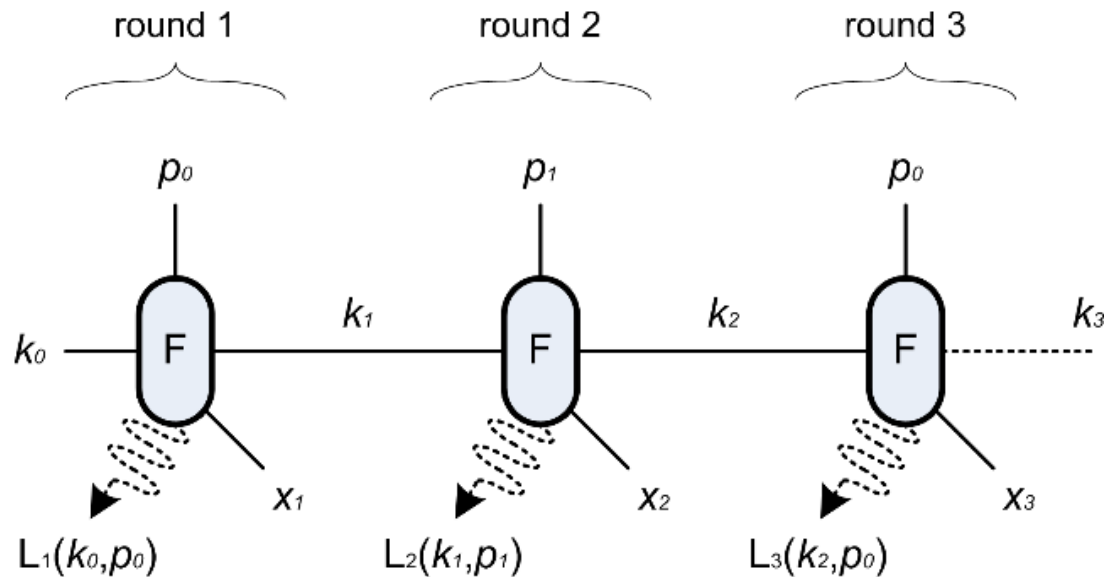
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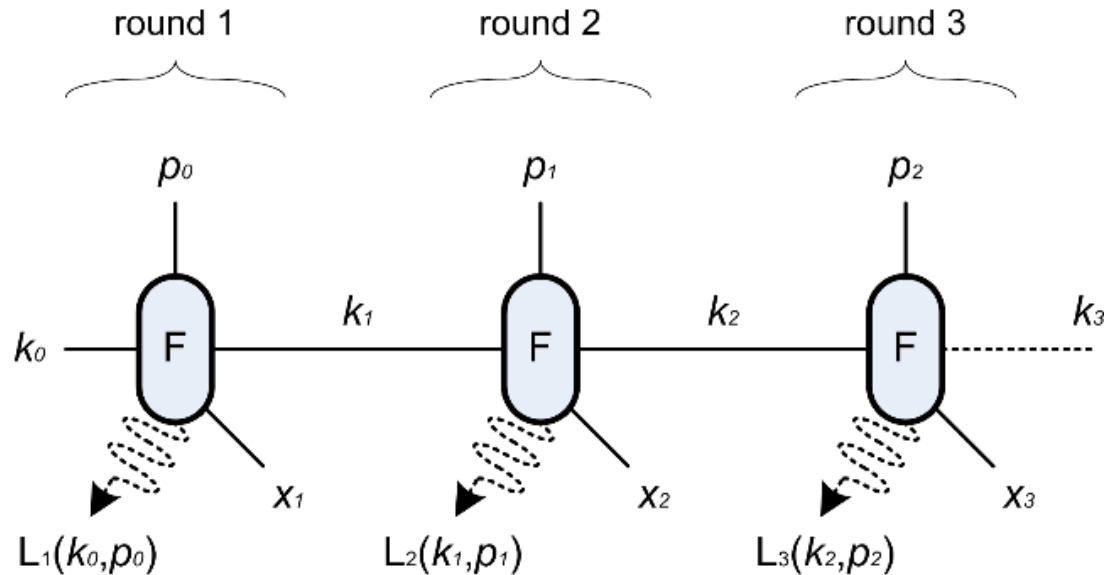




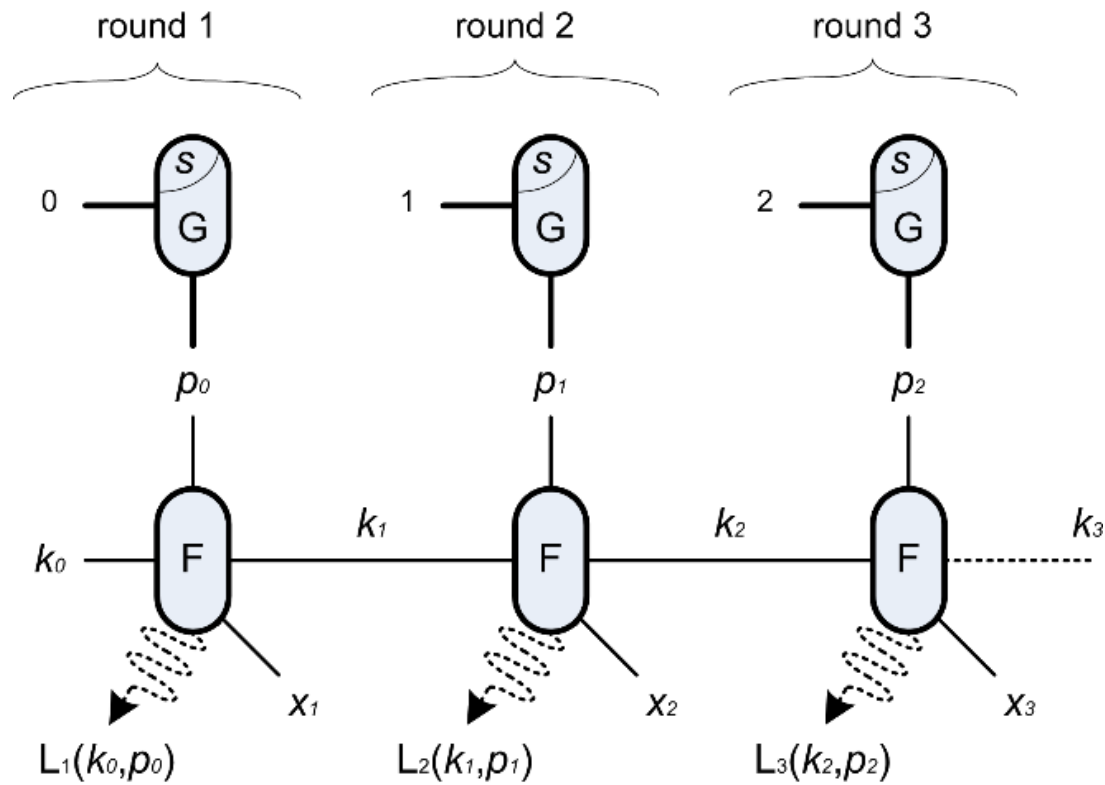
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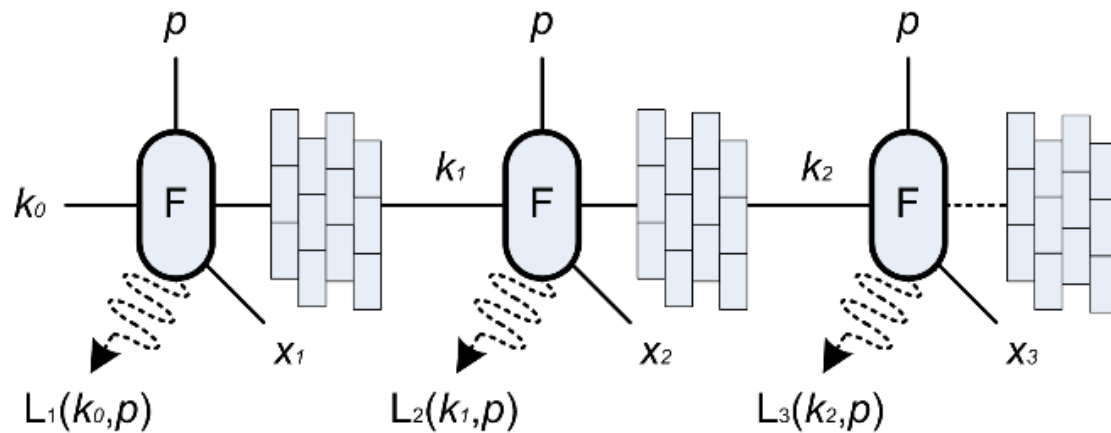
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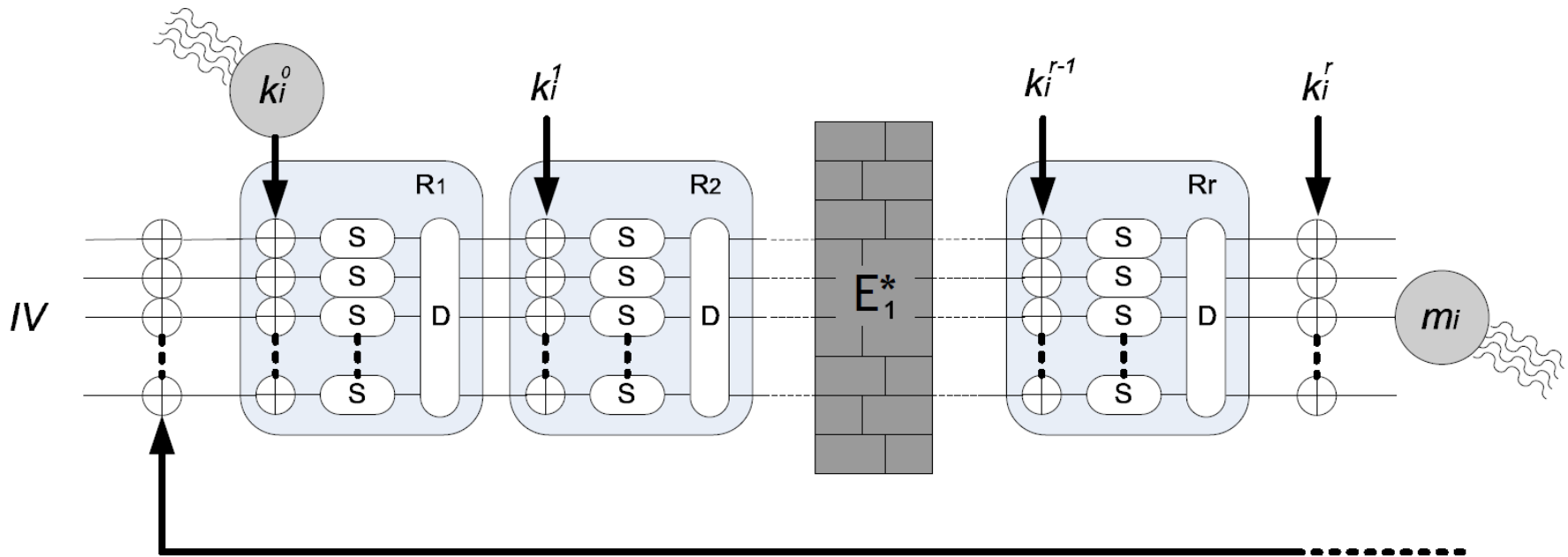
- Fresh randomness in each round
  - Sound but expensive (generated after L)



- Public randomness generated from a PRG
  - (Non quantitative) proof in MiniCrypt



- Most natural construction proven under a (non standard) random oracle assumption
  - L cannot query the random oracle



- $\approx$  formalization of early re-keying attempts
  - e.g. ASIACCS 2008: internal wall within AES
  - e.g. early patents in the field from CRI
  - (*Where it was already clear that init. is challenging!*)

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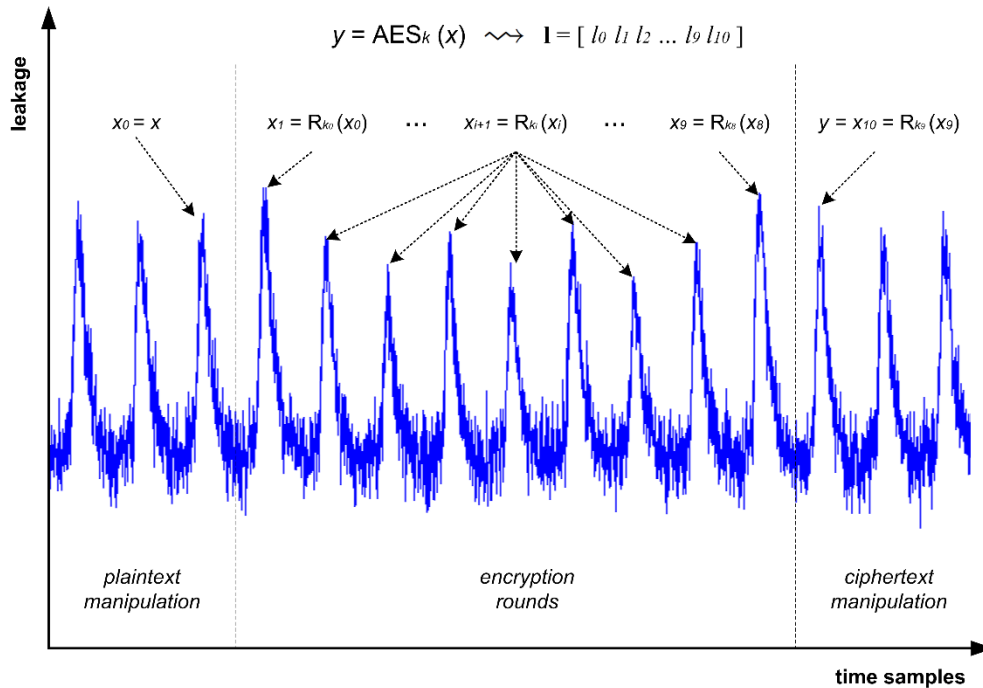
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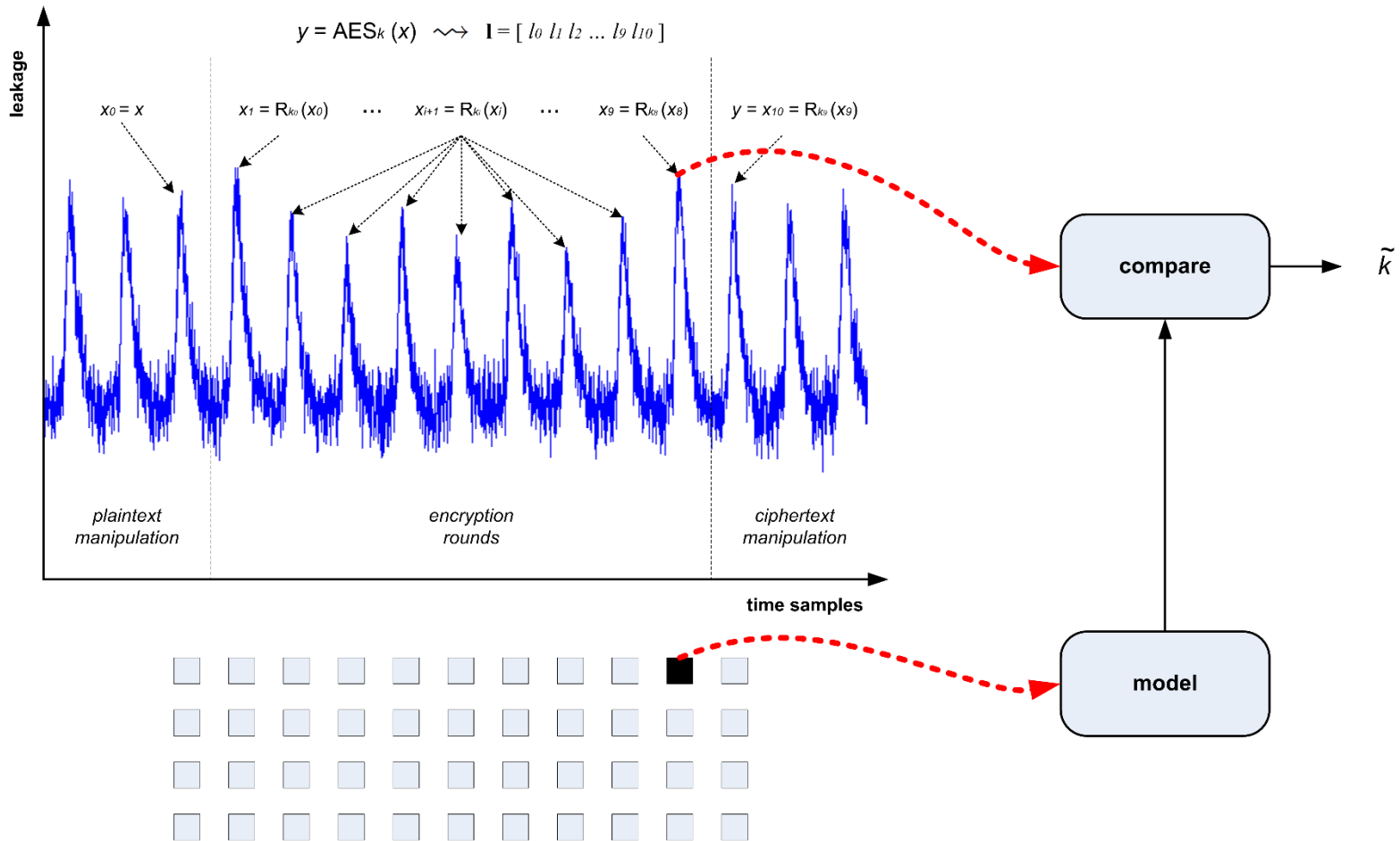
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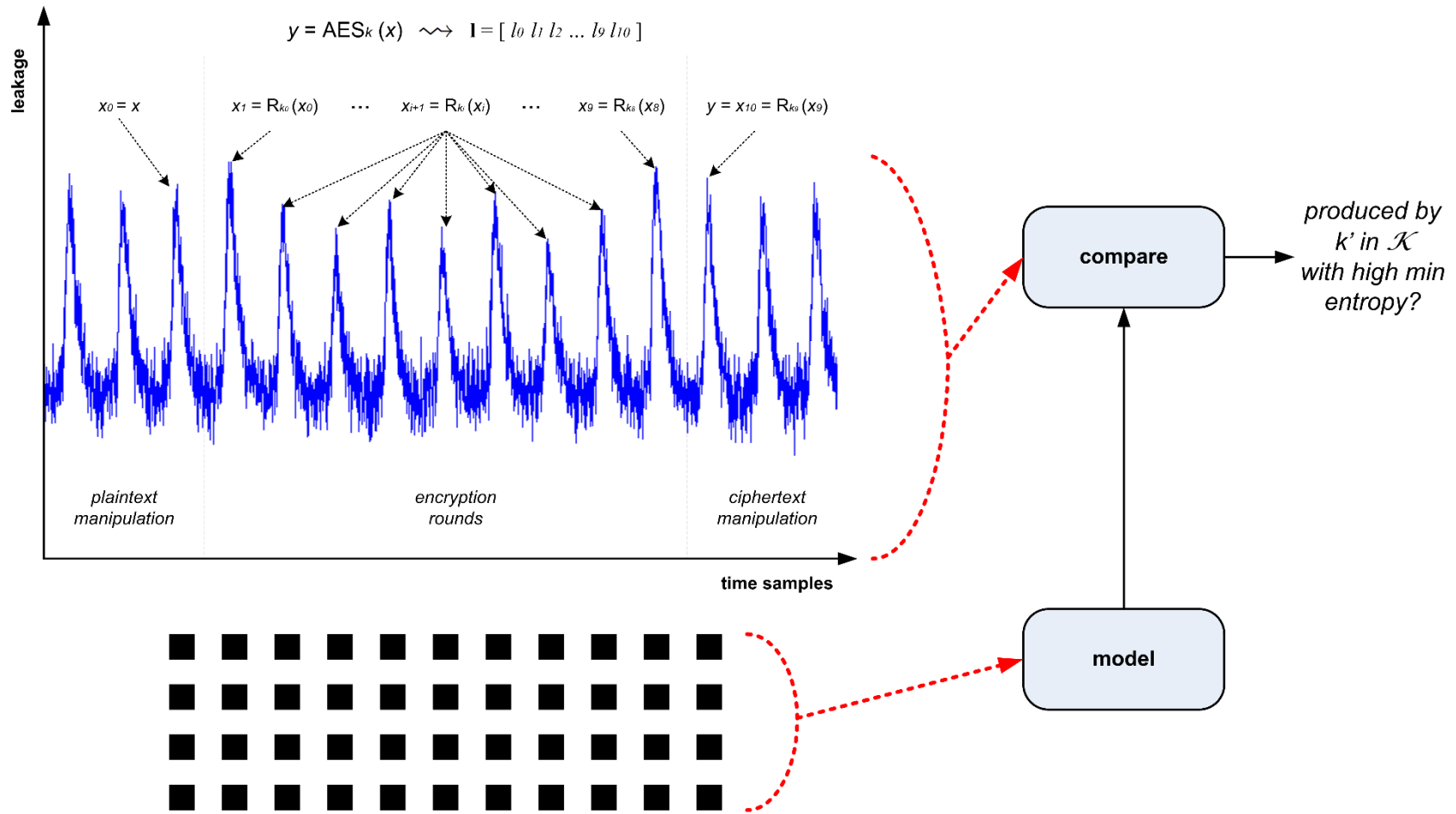
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- Unrealistic: leakages  $\approx$  Gbytes of data



- Not sufficient to prove anything



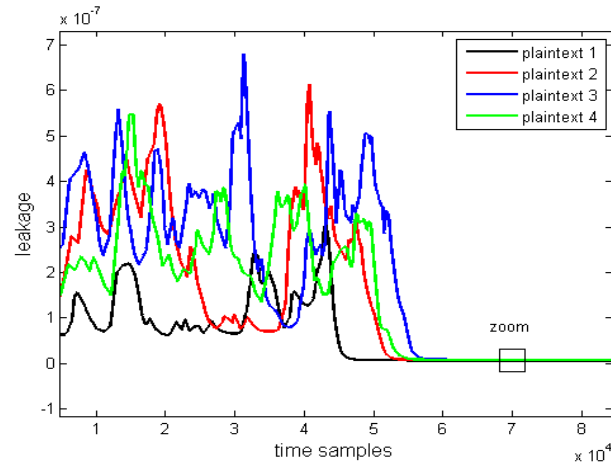
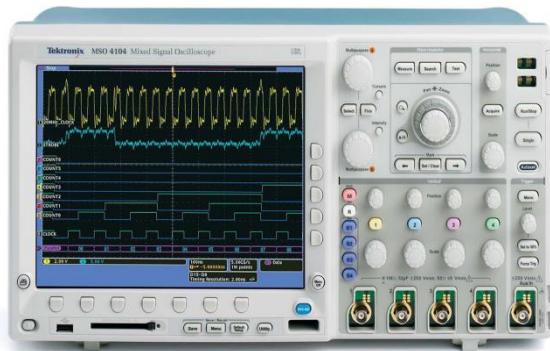
- Hard to guarantee (indistinguishability-based)

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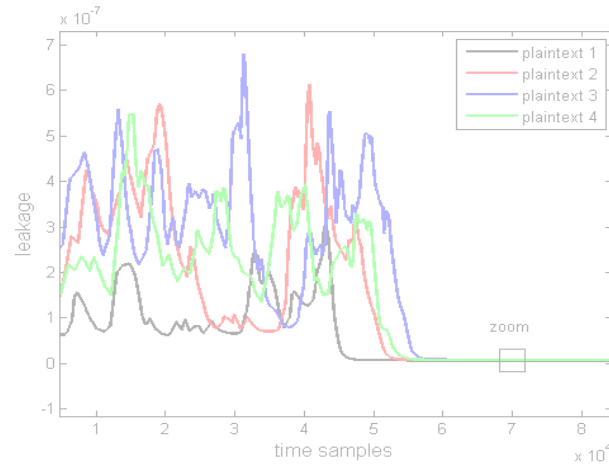
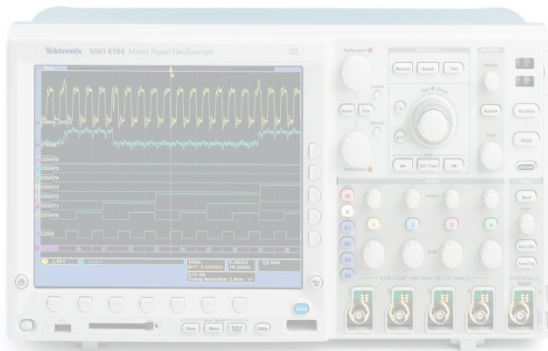
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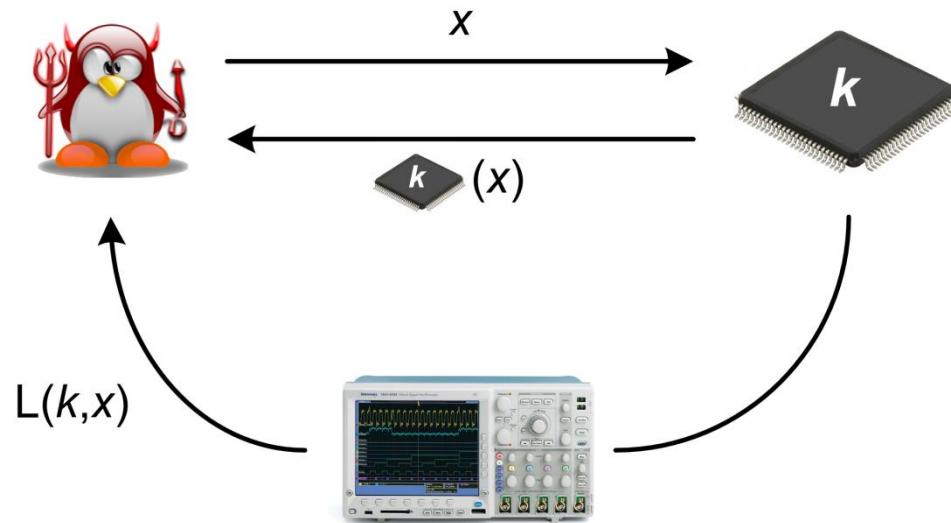


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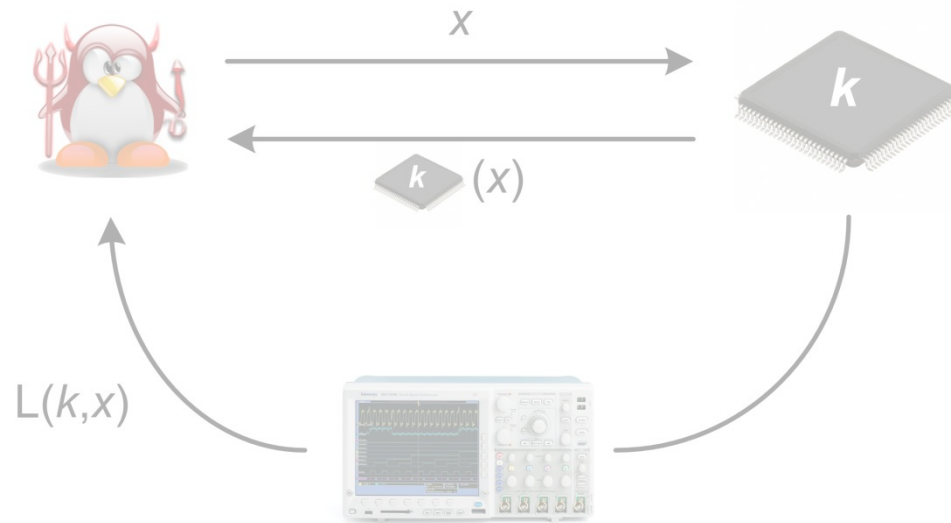


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- Using the same HW as the target
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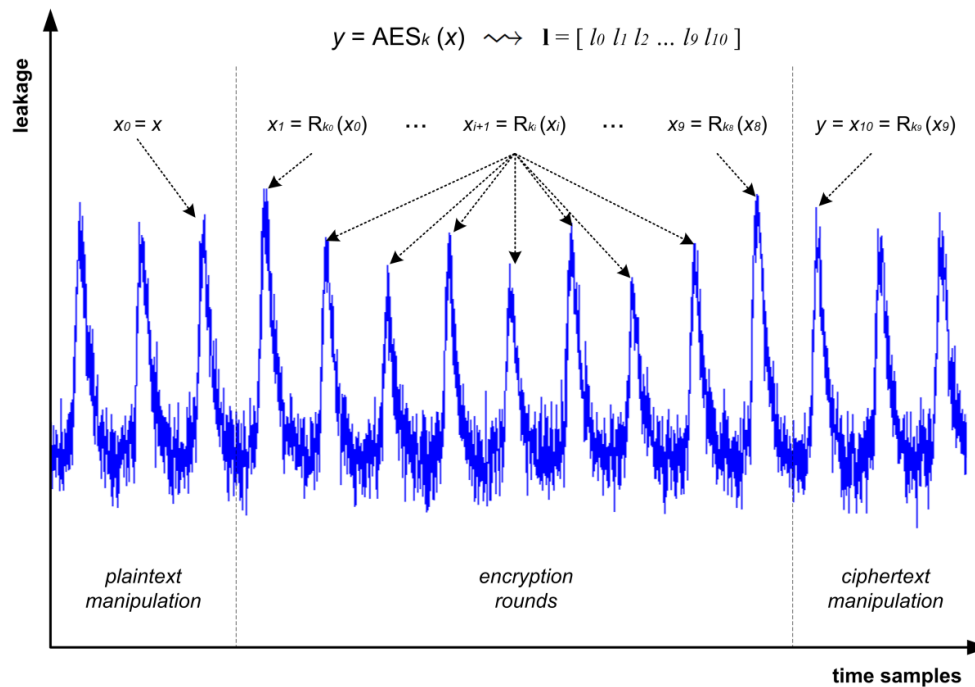
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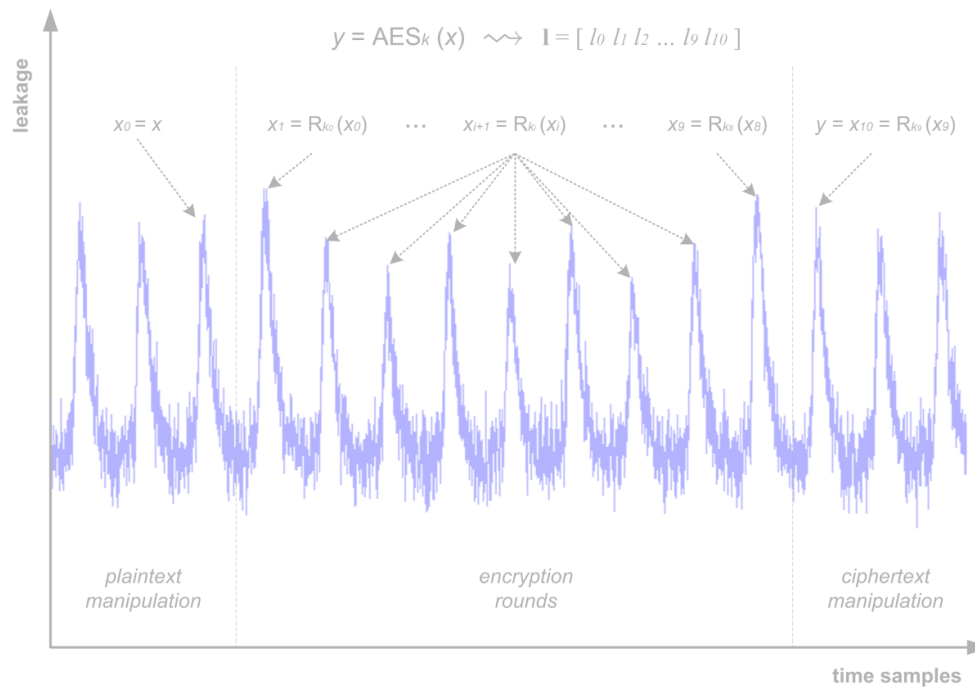
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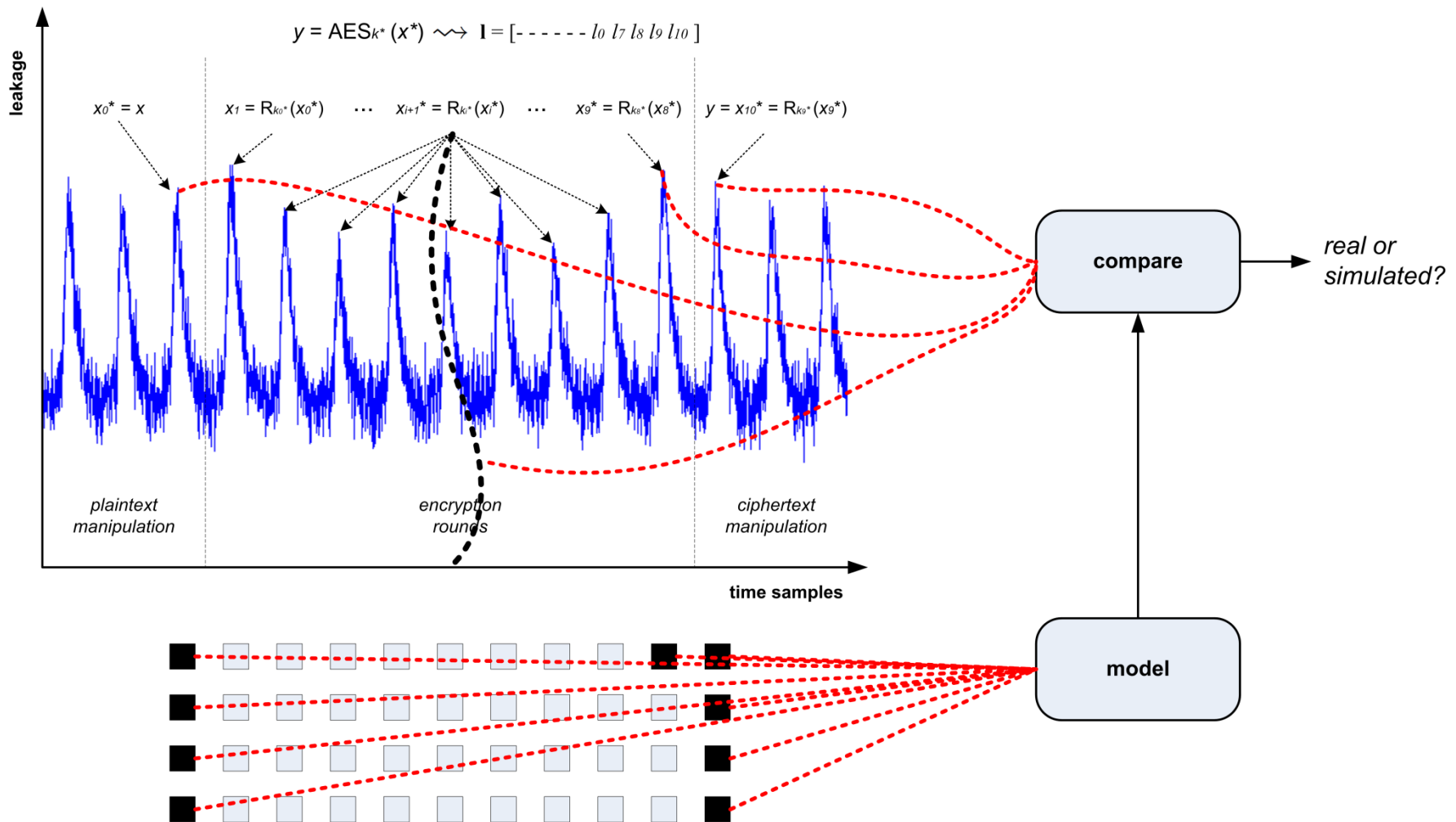


$\Rightarrow$  Instantiate  $S^L(k,x,y) = l^p(k,x) || l^c(k,y)$

## Simulatable leakages $\approx$ DPA + I/O's leakages

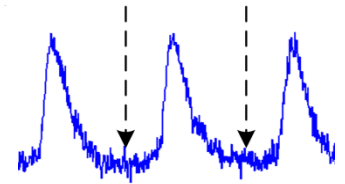
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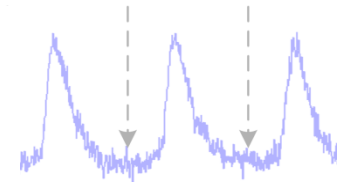




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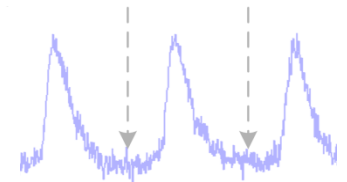
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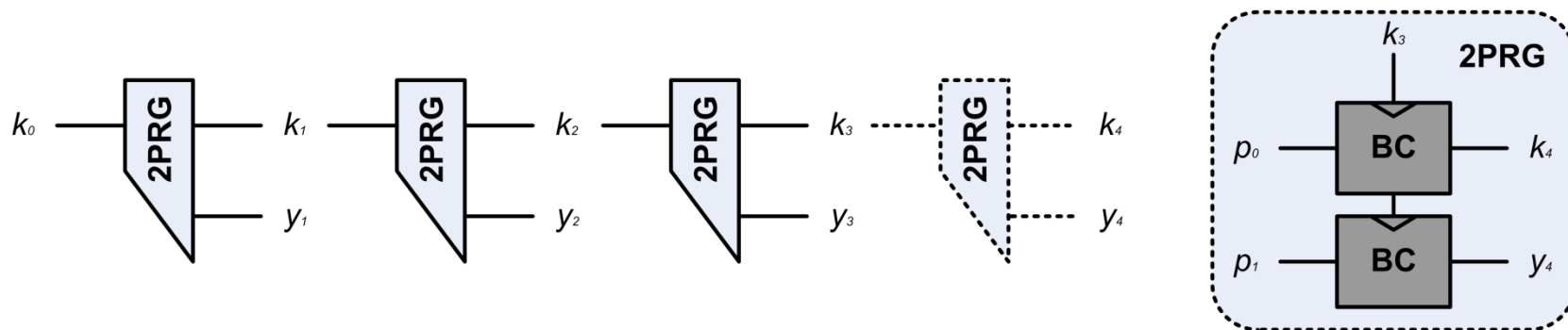
d. Engineering challenges

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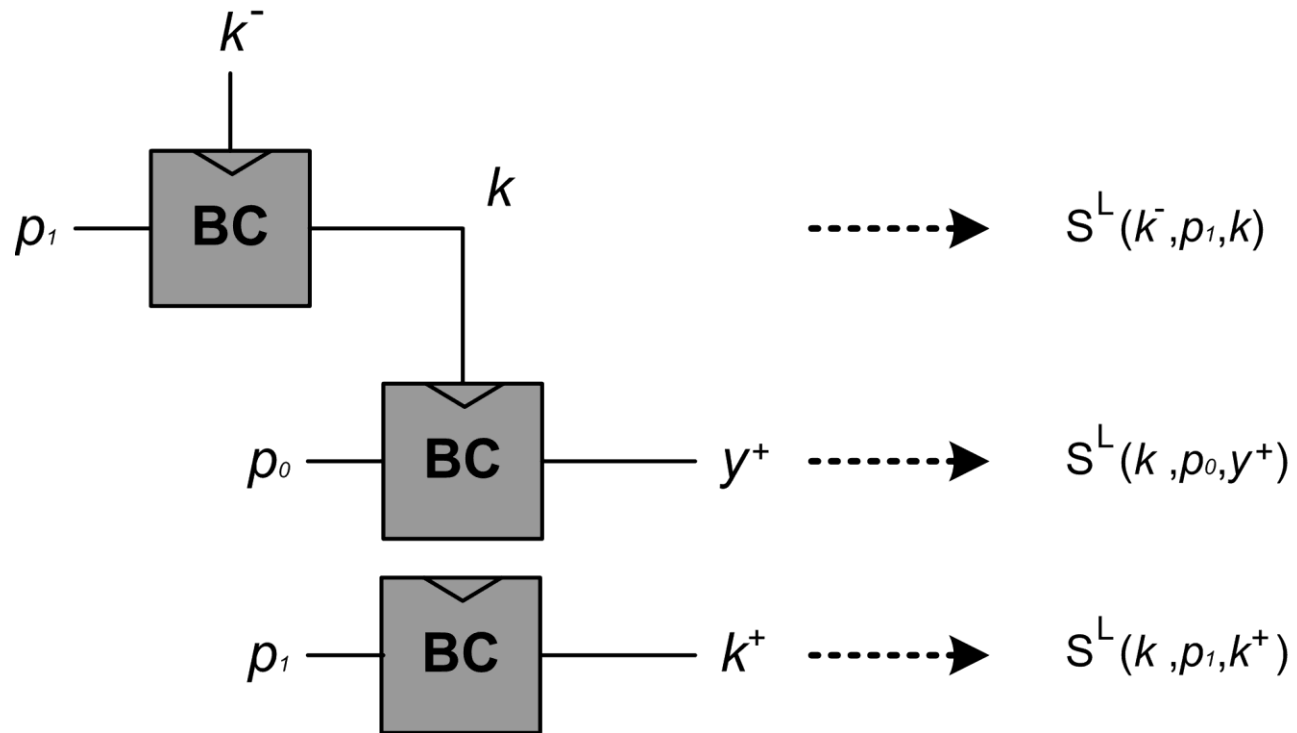
(destructive) Given  $S^L$  and  $\diamond_k$ , break the  $q$ -sim. game

**First instances falsified by Galea et al.** (cfr. end of talk if time allows)

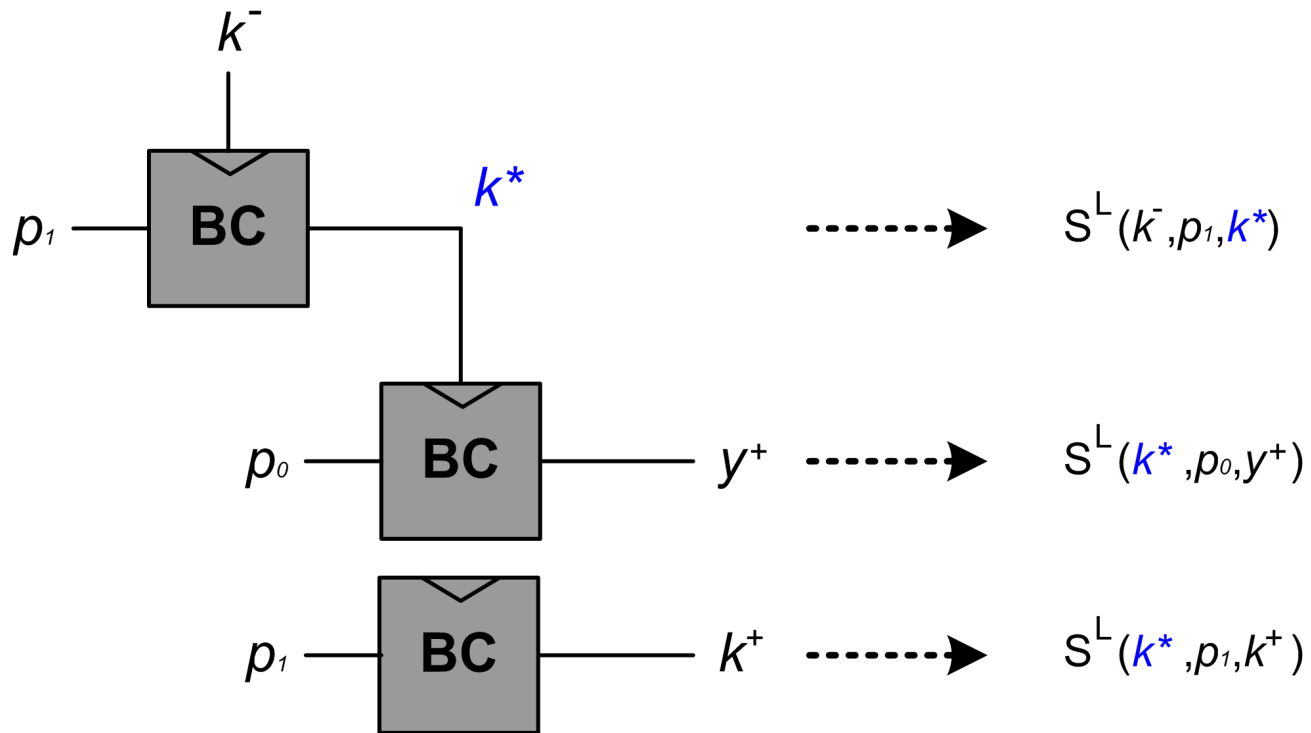


- Goal: remain secure after  $\approx 10^6$  runs
- While relying on  $q$ -sim. for  $q=2$
- Proving it was surprisingly difficult so far
  - (see slides 9 to 19 of this talk)

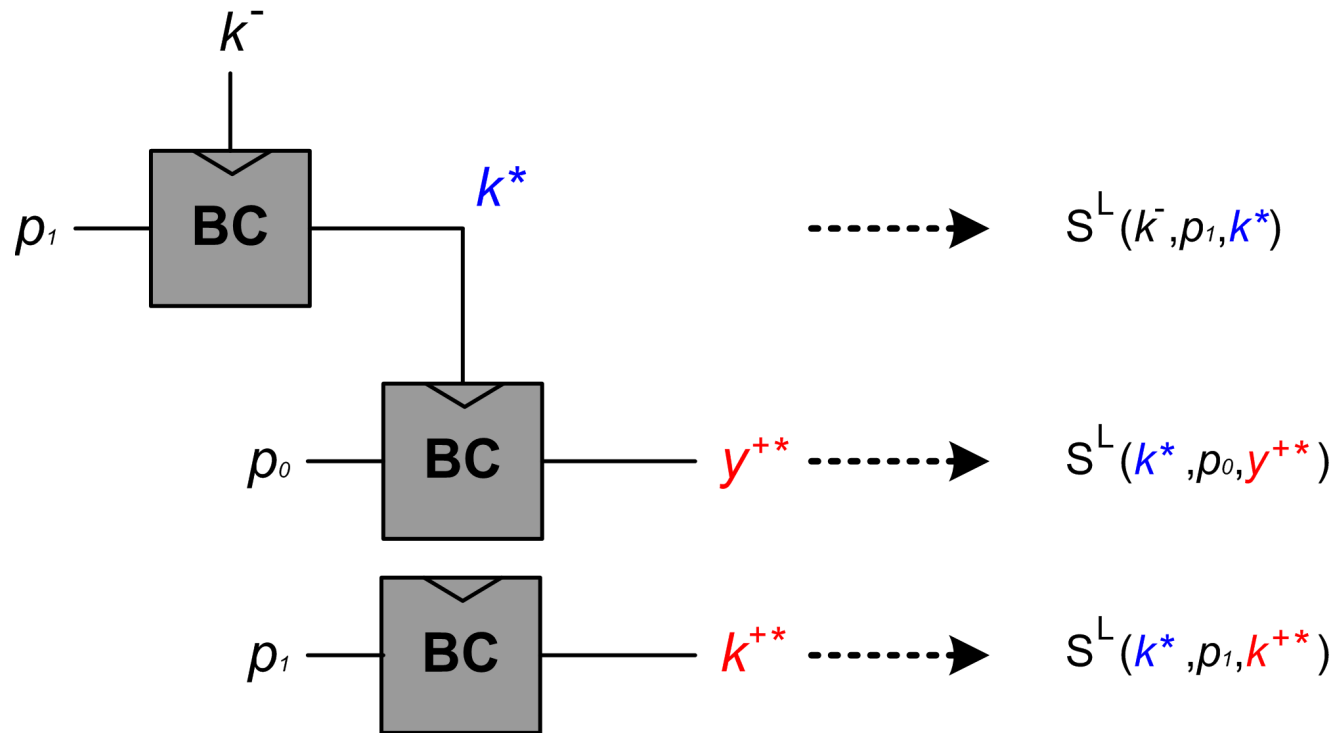
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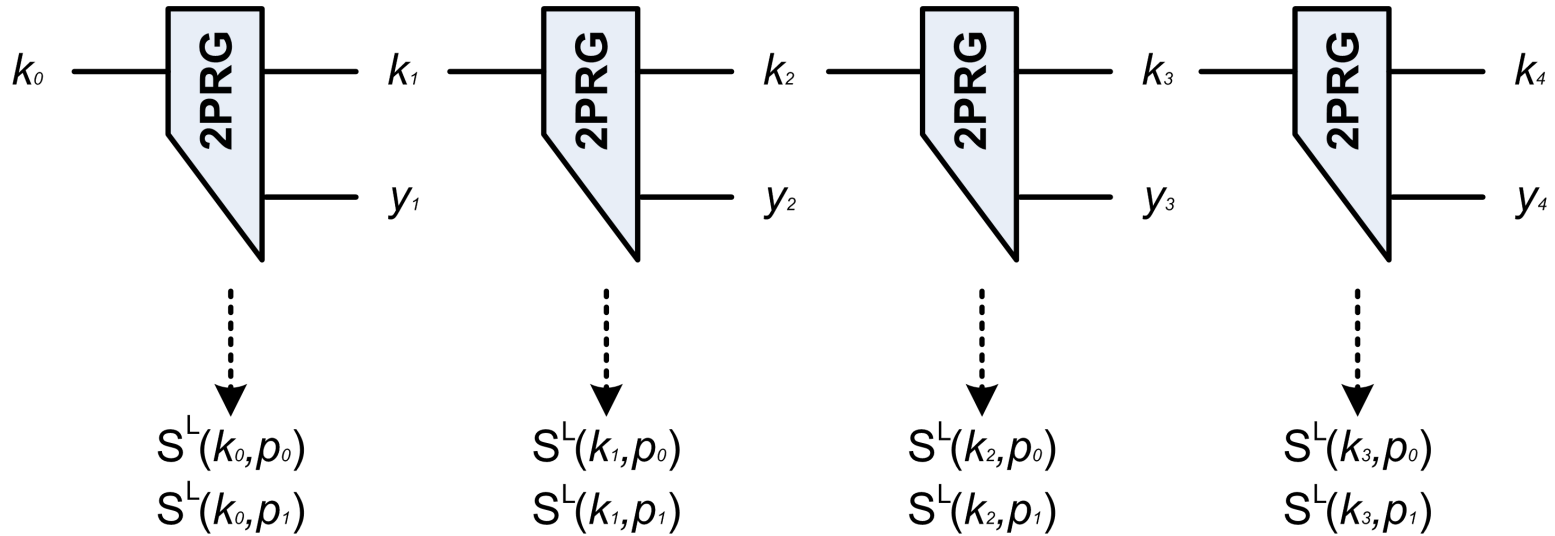
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## b. Exploit the $BC \approx PRF$ assumption

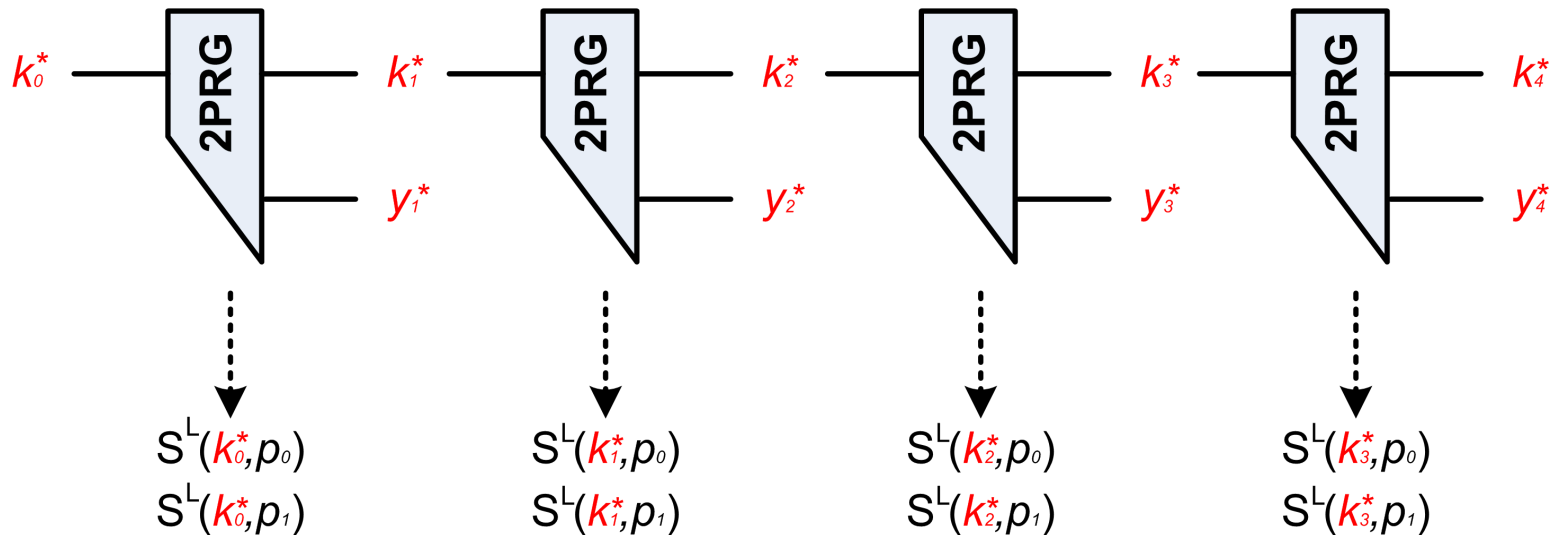


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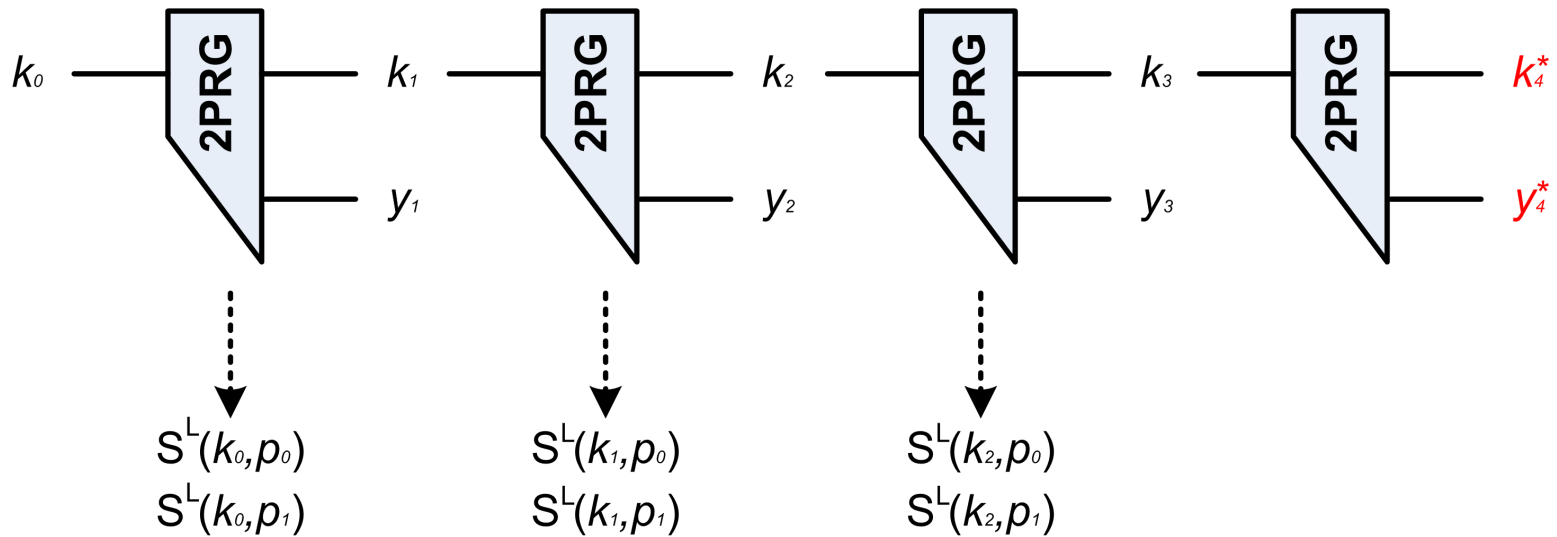




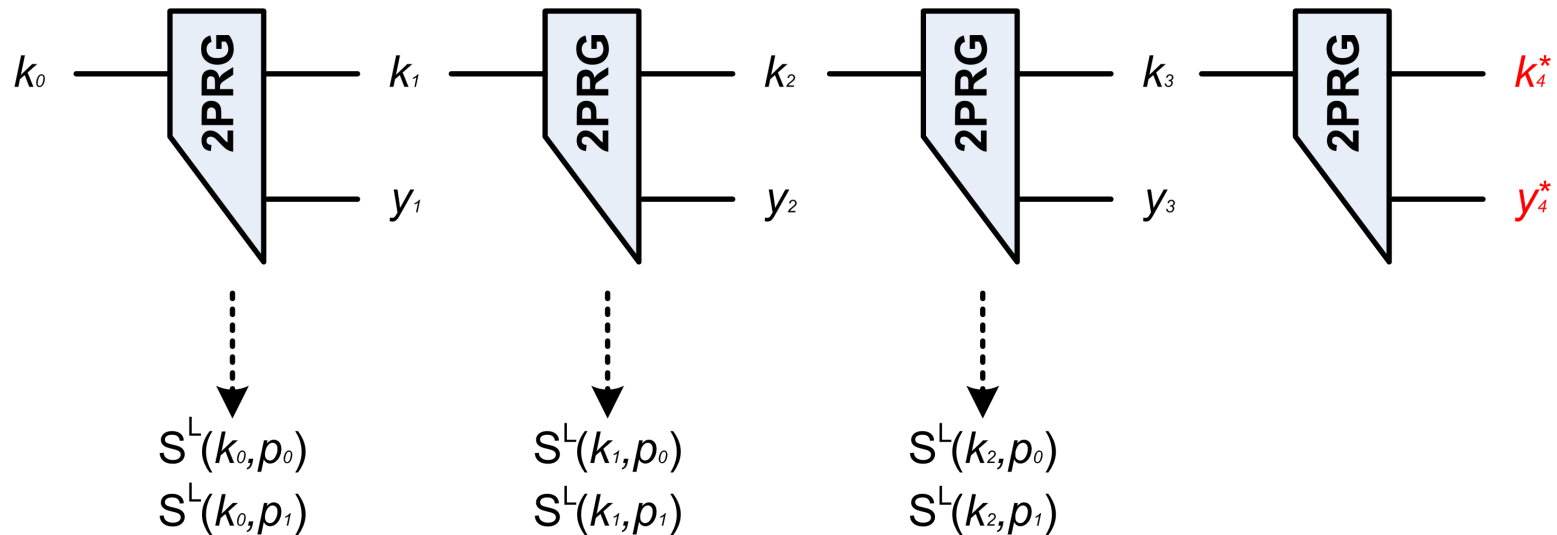
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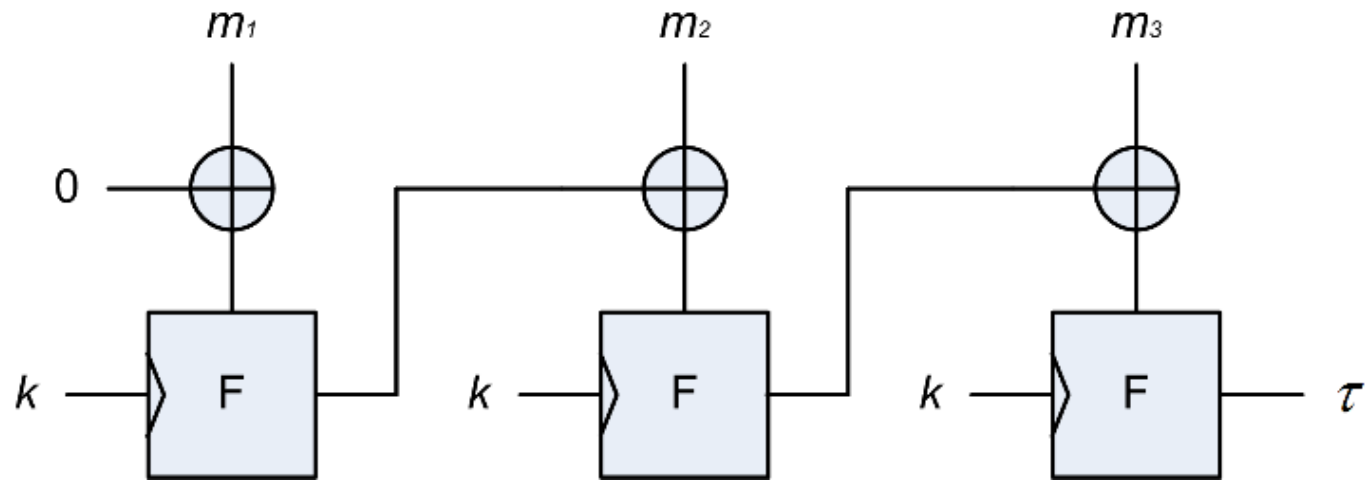


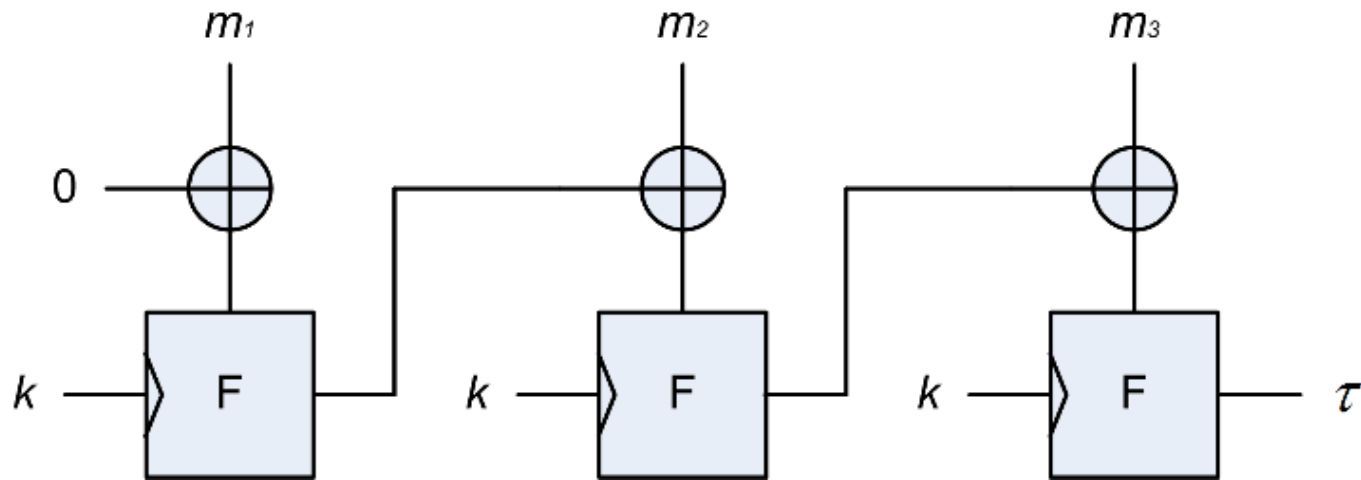
**Theorem:**  $y_l \approx U_n$  given  $y_1, \dots, y_{l-1}, L(k_0), L(k_{l-2})$  if BC is a PRF and has 2-simulatable leakages

*(with security degradation proportional to  $2l$ )*

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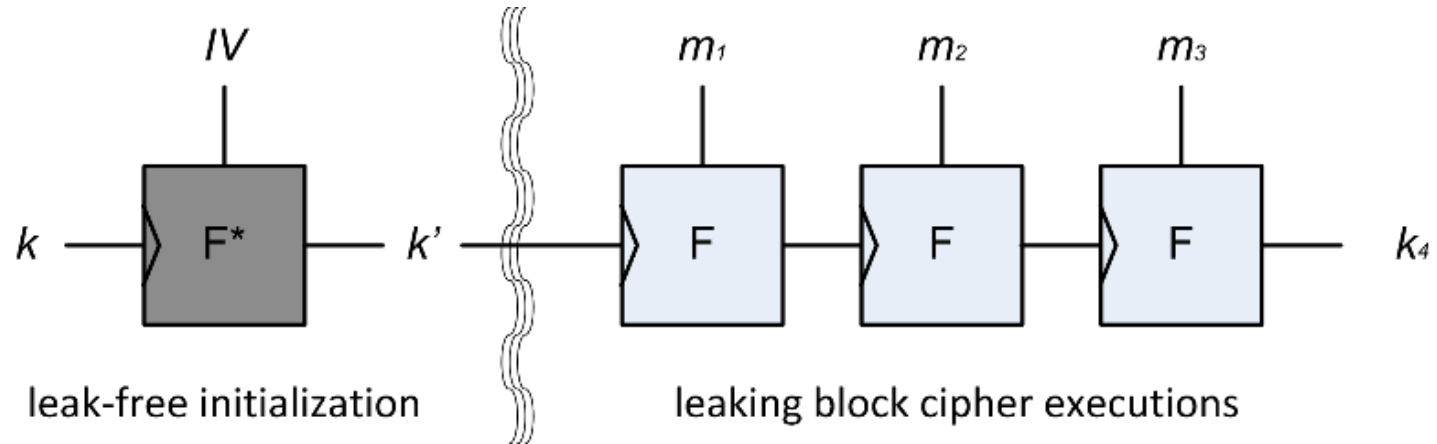
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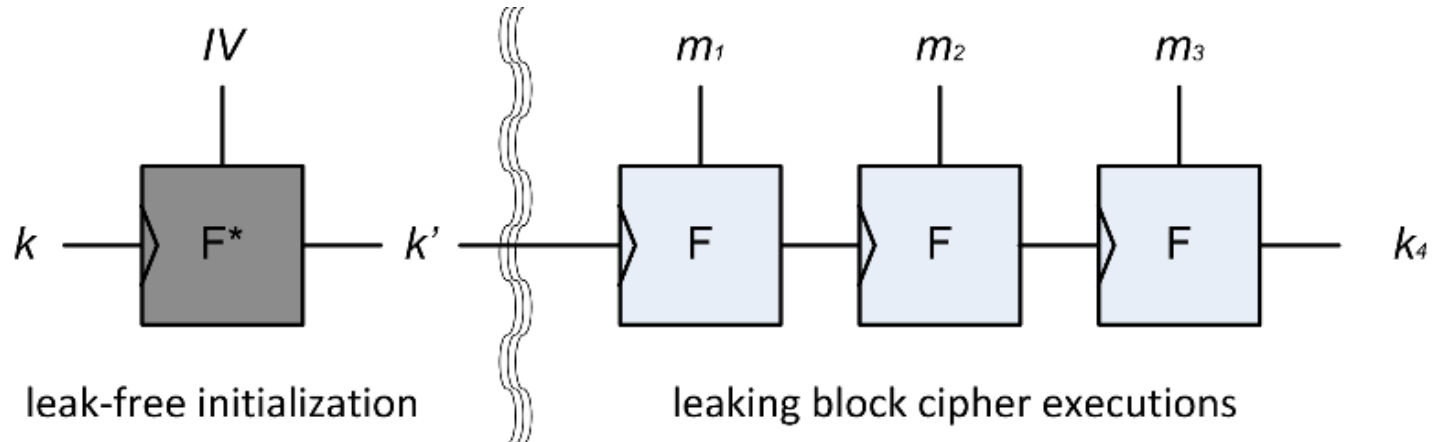
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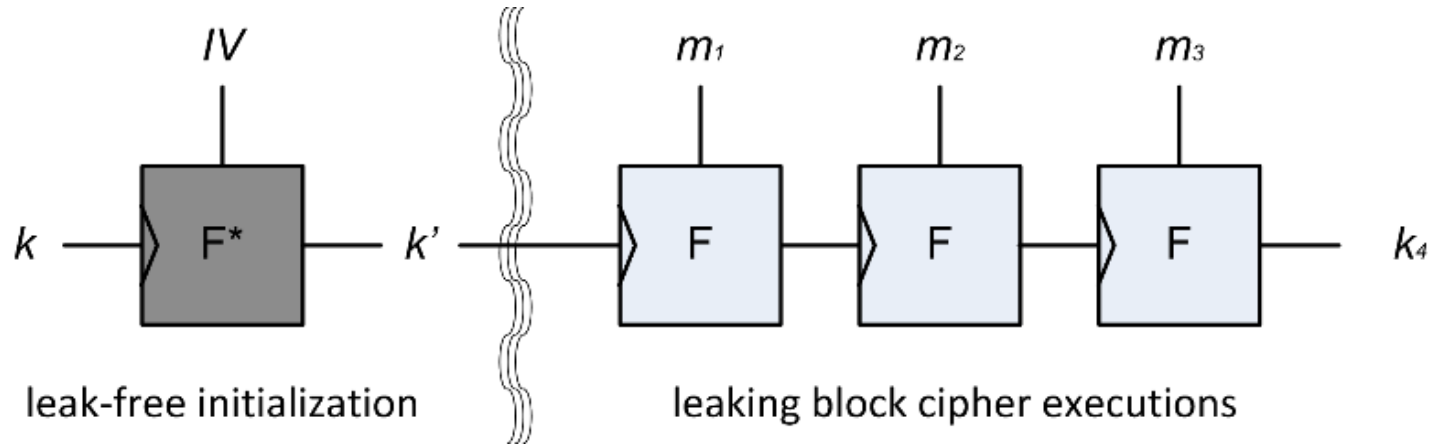
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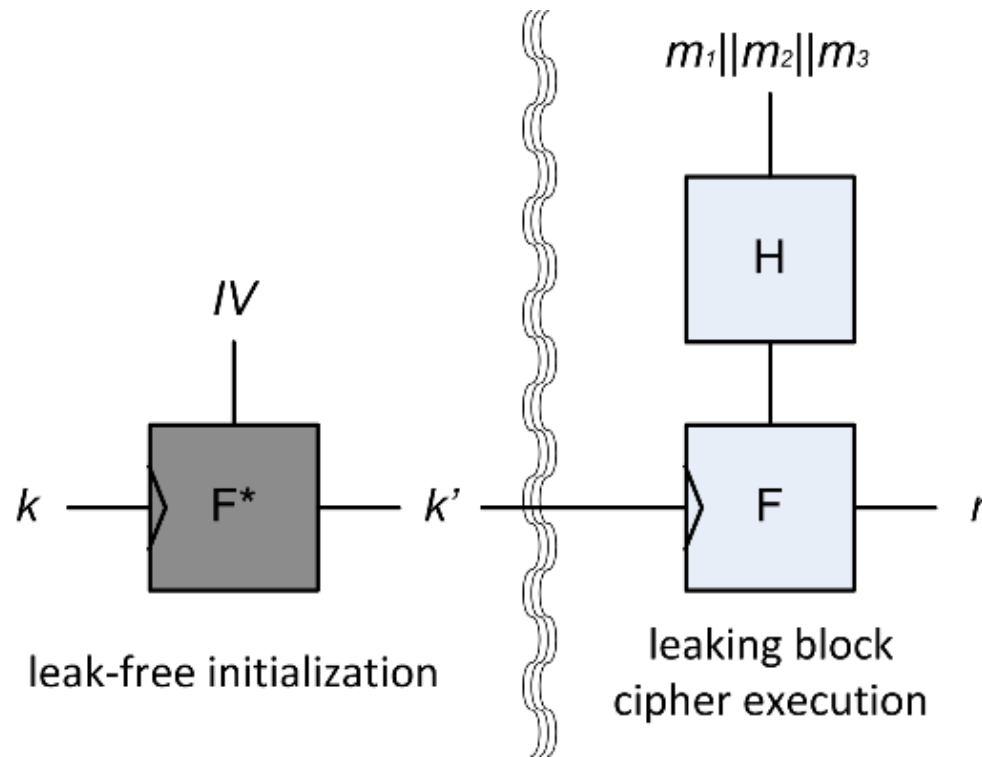




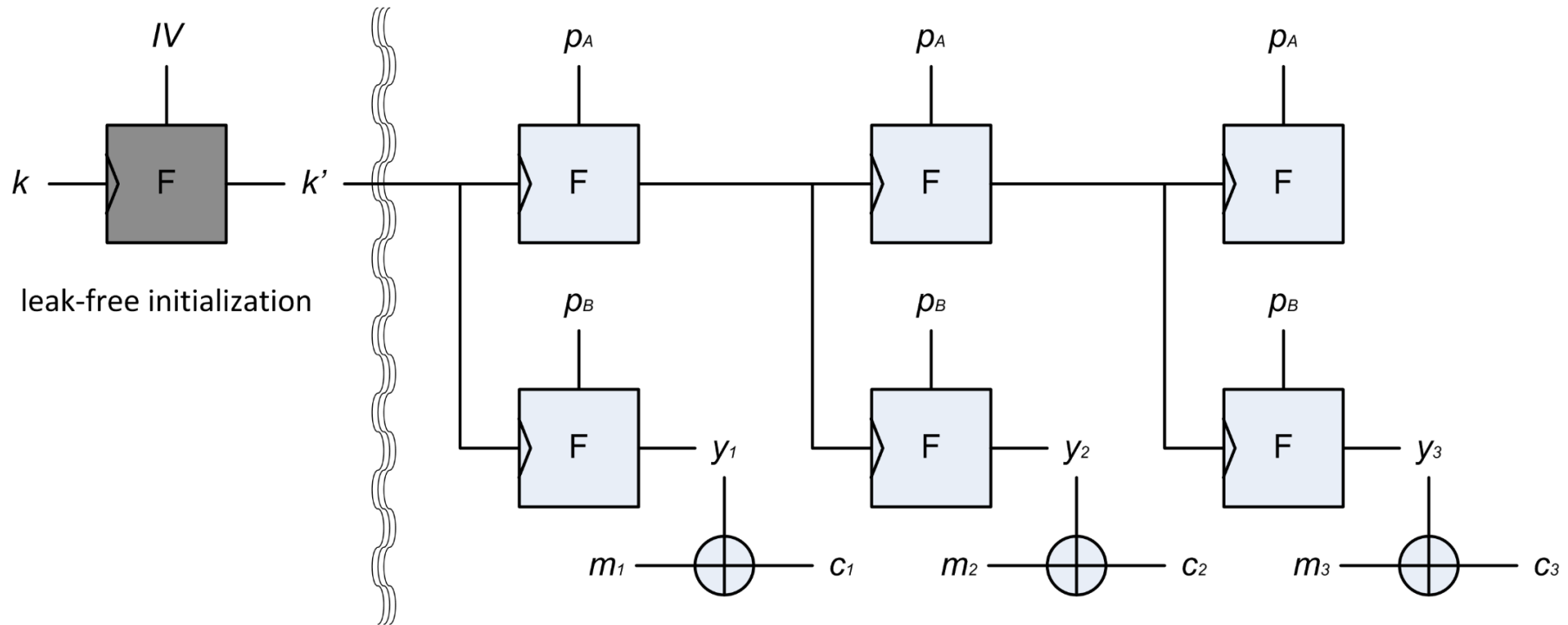
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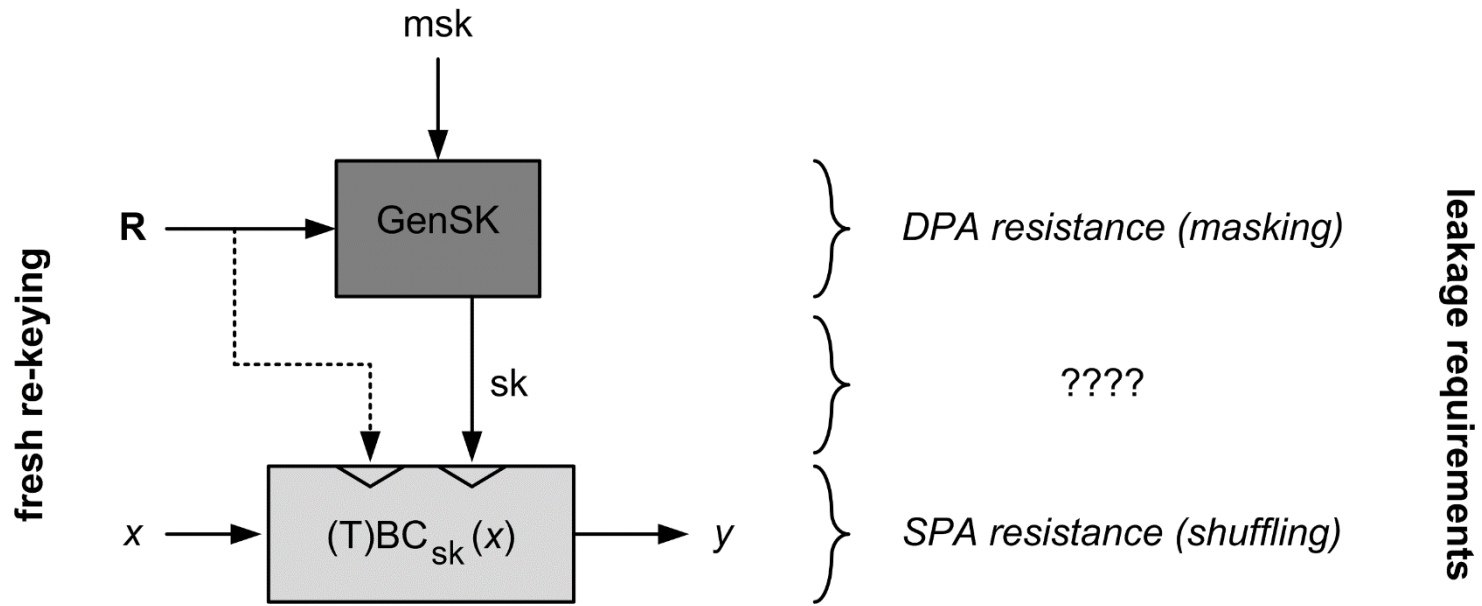
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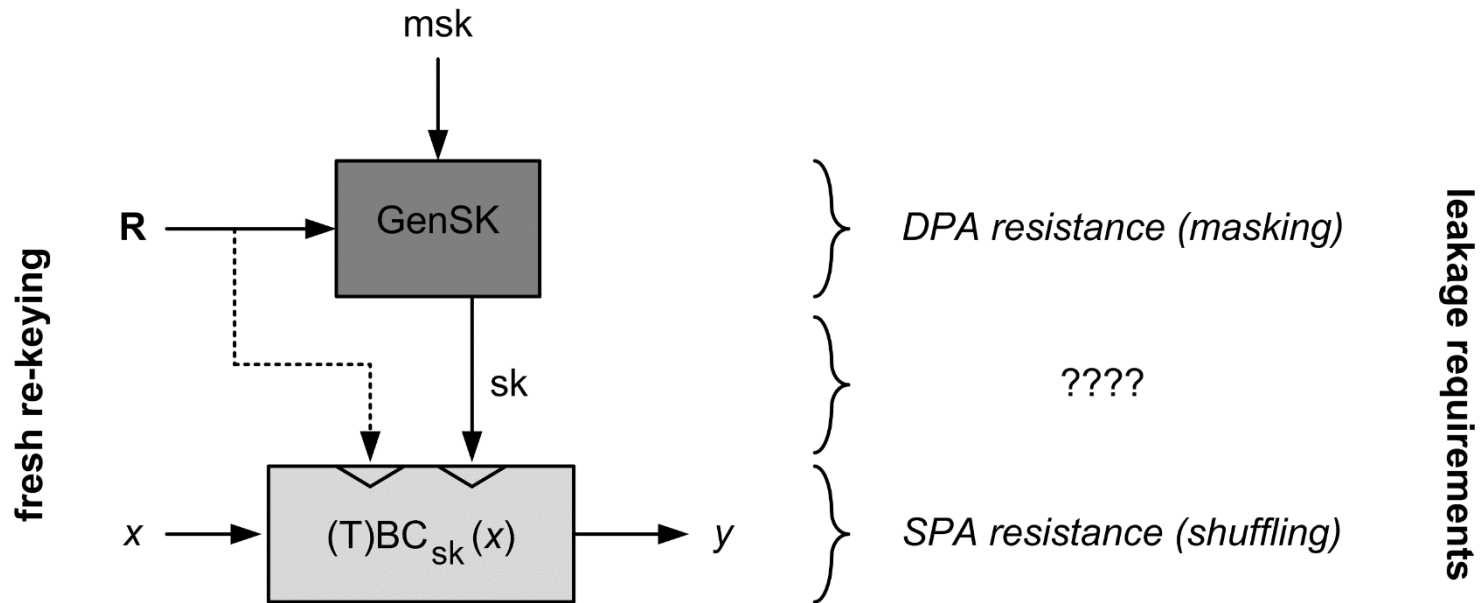
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- Leakage-resilient authenticated encryption

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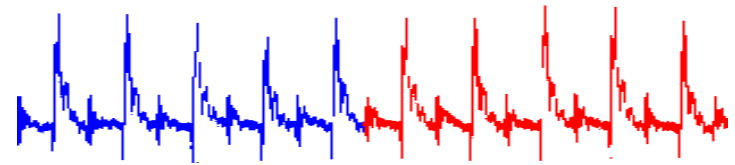
# **Additional slides**

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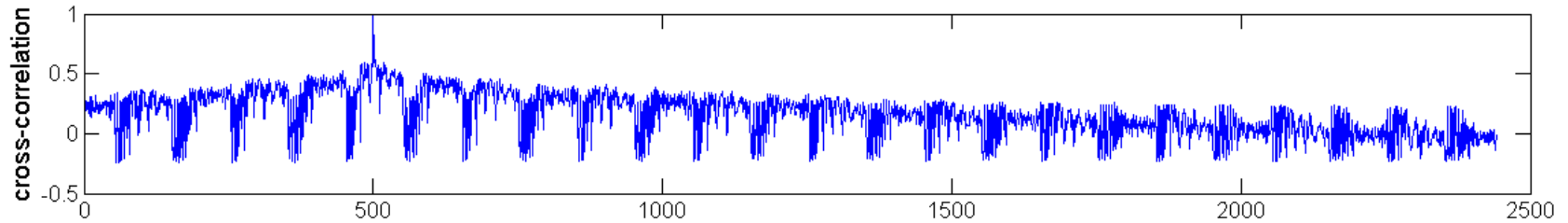
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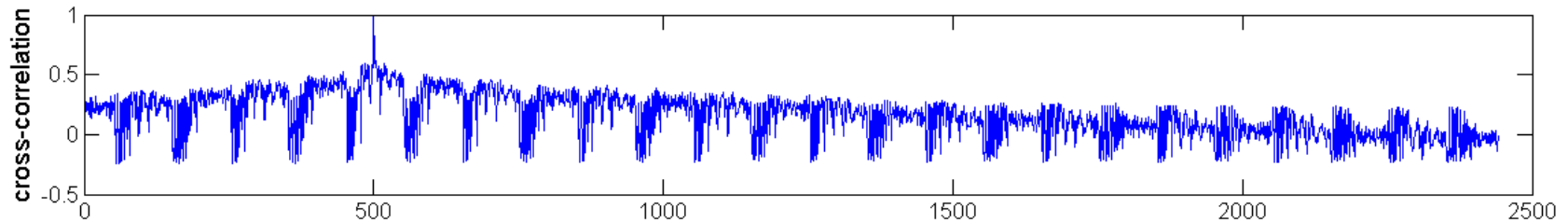
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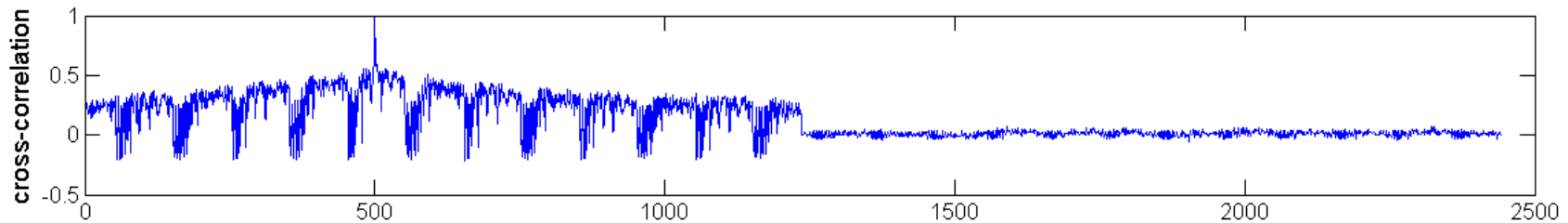


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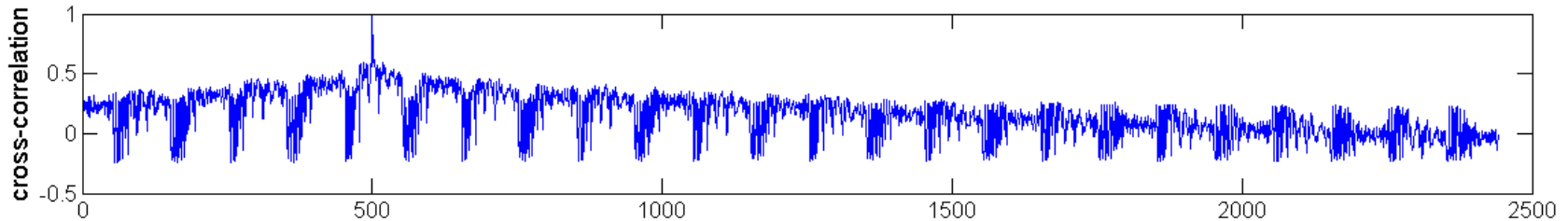


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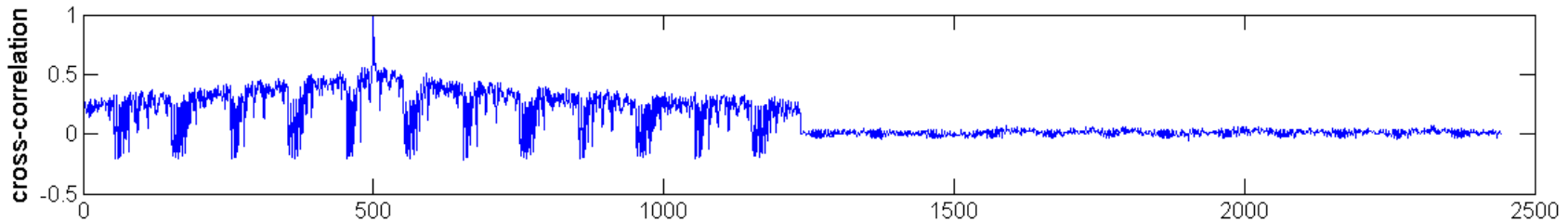


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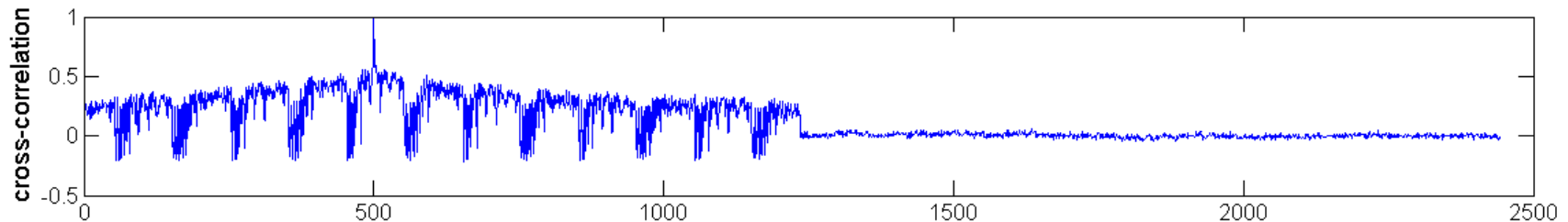
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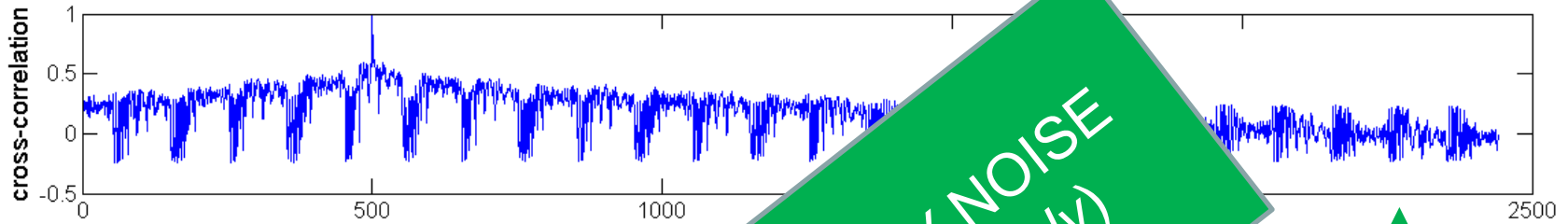


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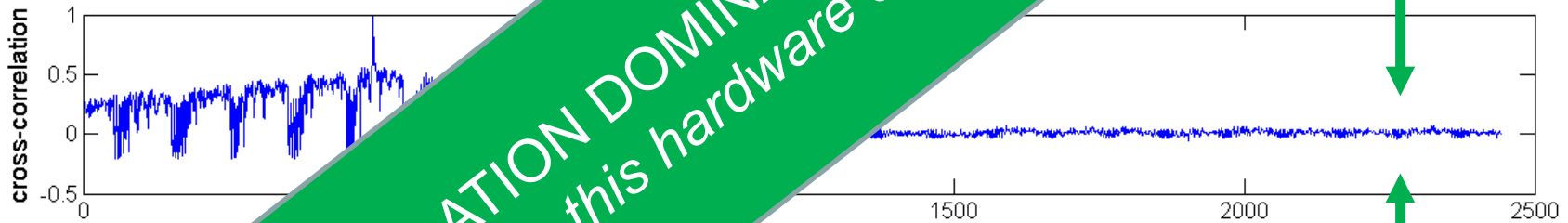


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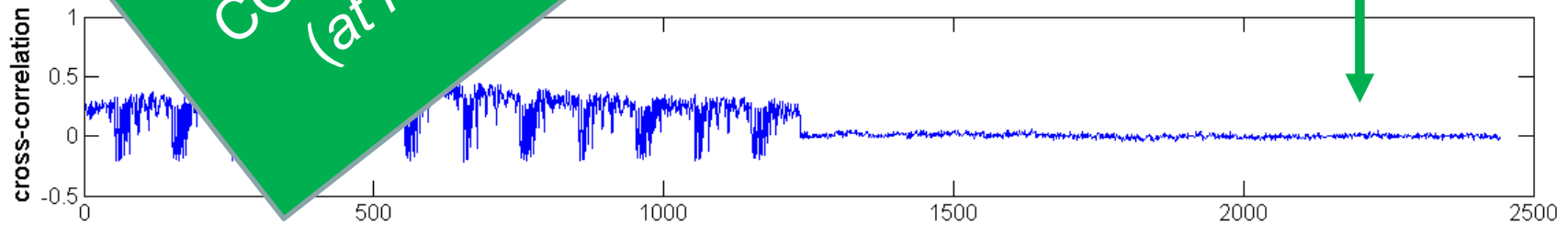
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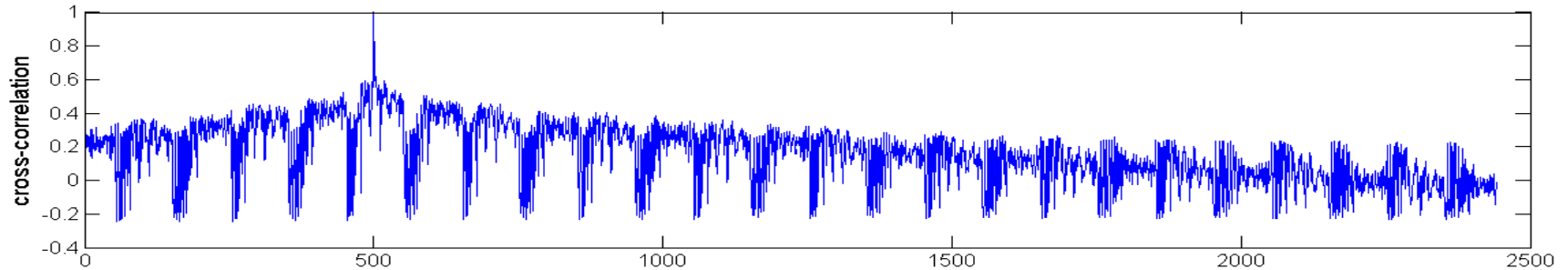
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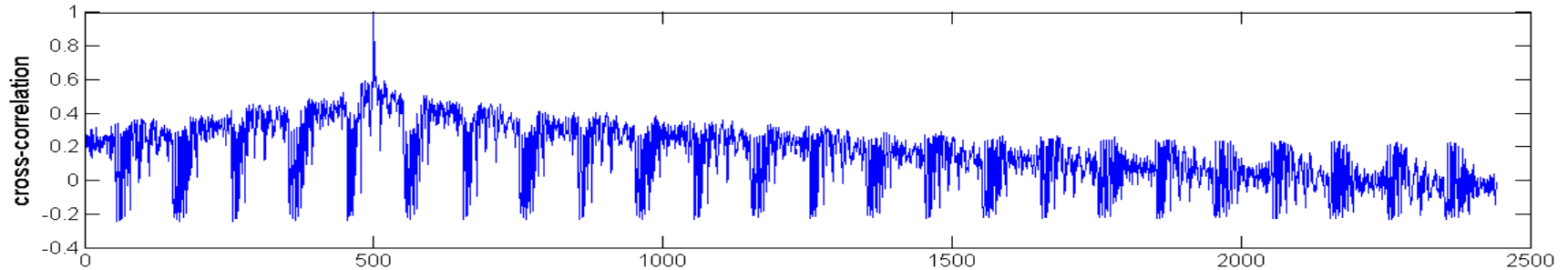


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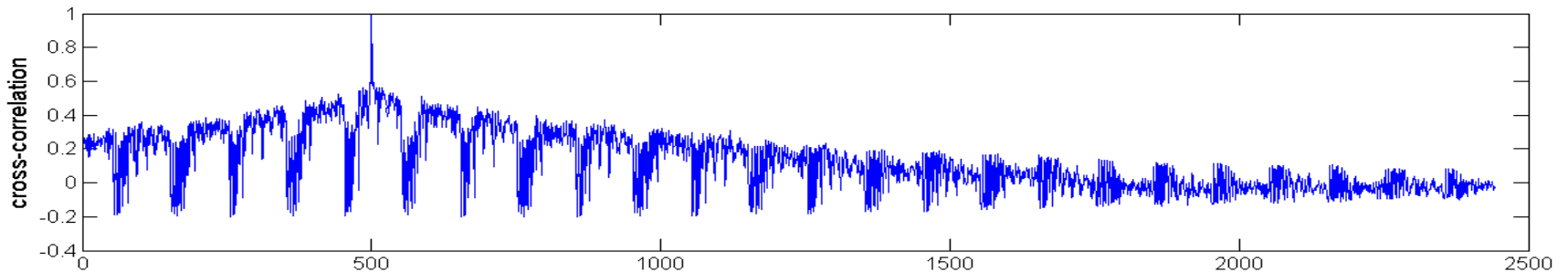
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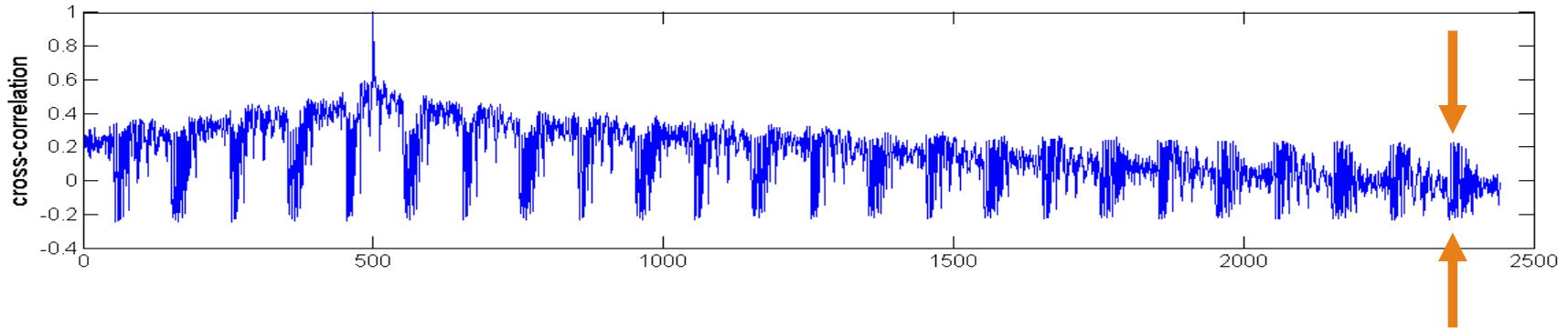


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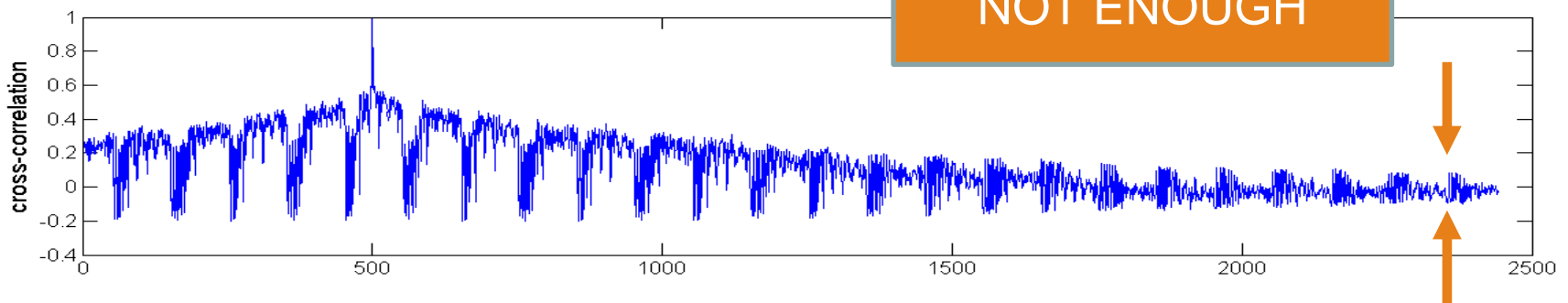
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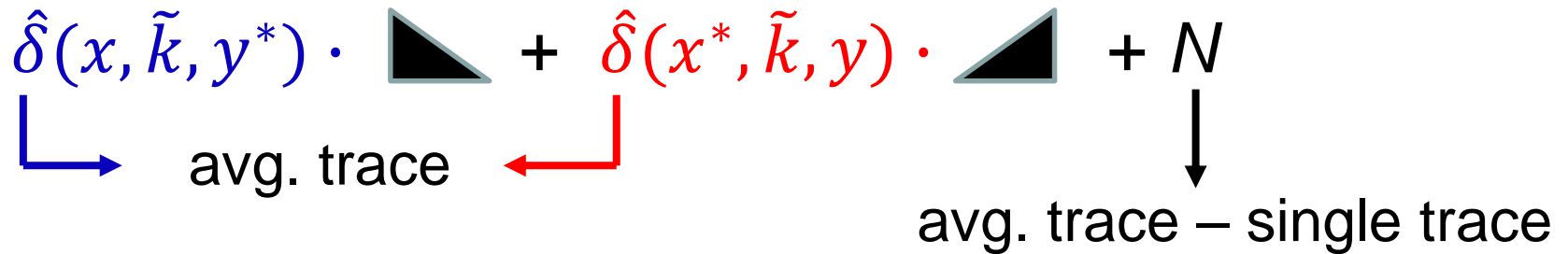
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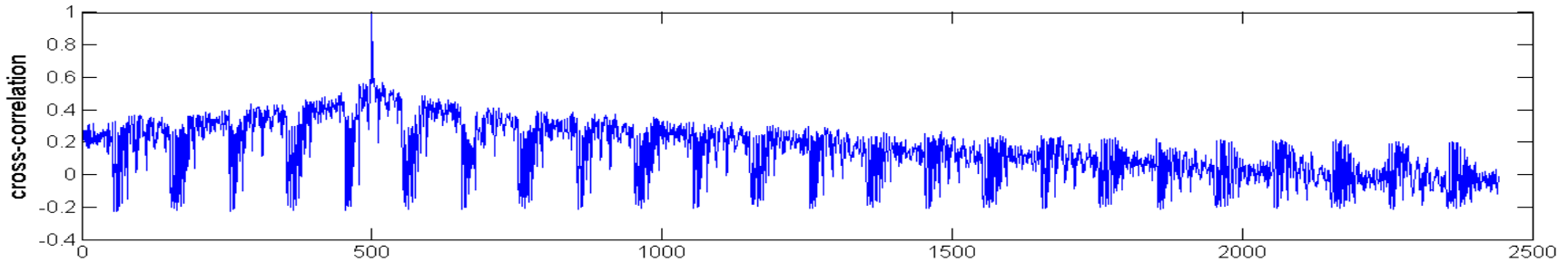
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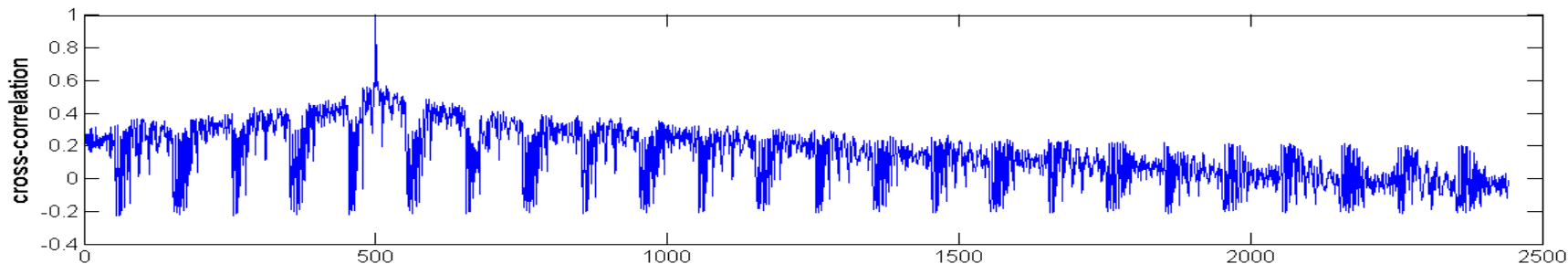
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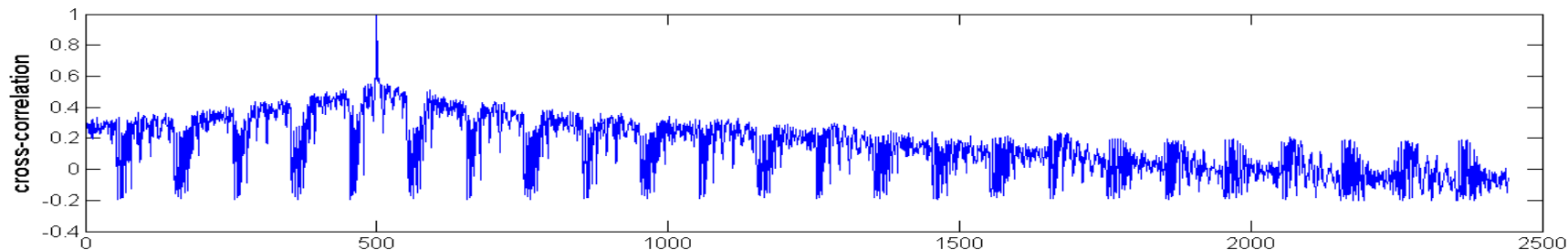
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- Simulated traces



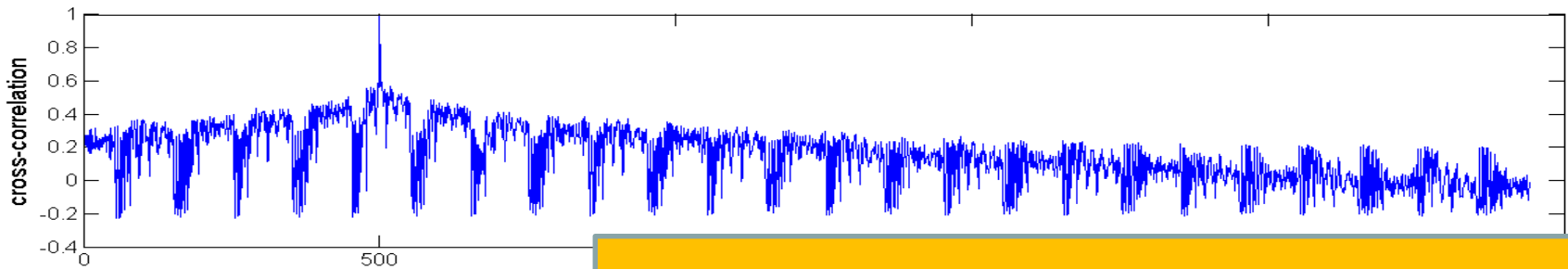
# Another idea: separate signal and noise

- Sliding signal + noise simulator

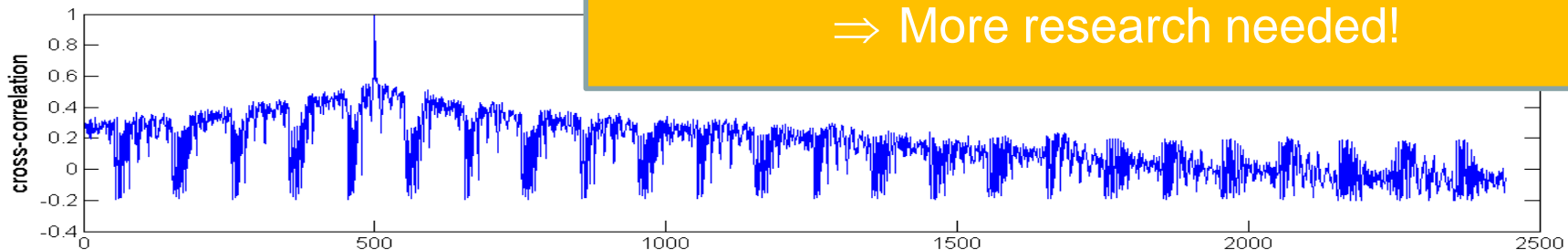
$$\hat{\delta}(x, \tilde{k}, y^*) \cdot \blacktriangleleft + \hat{\delta}(x^*, \tilde{k}, y) \cdot \blacktriangleright + N$$

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LOOKS BETTER  
*(but probably not enough for low-freq. events)*  
⇒ More research needed!