

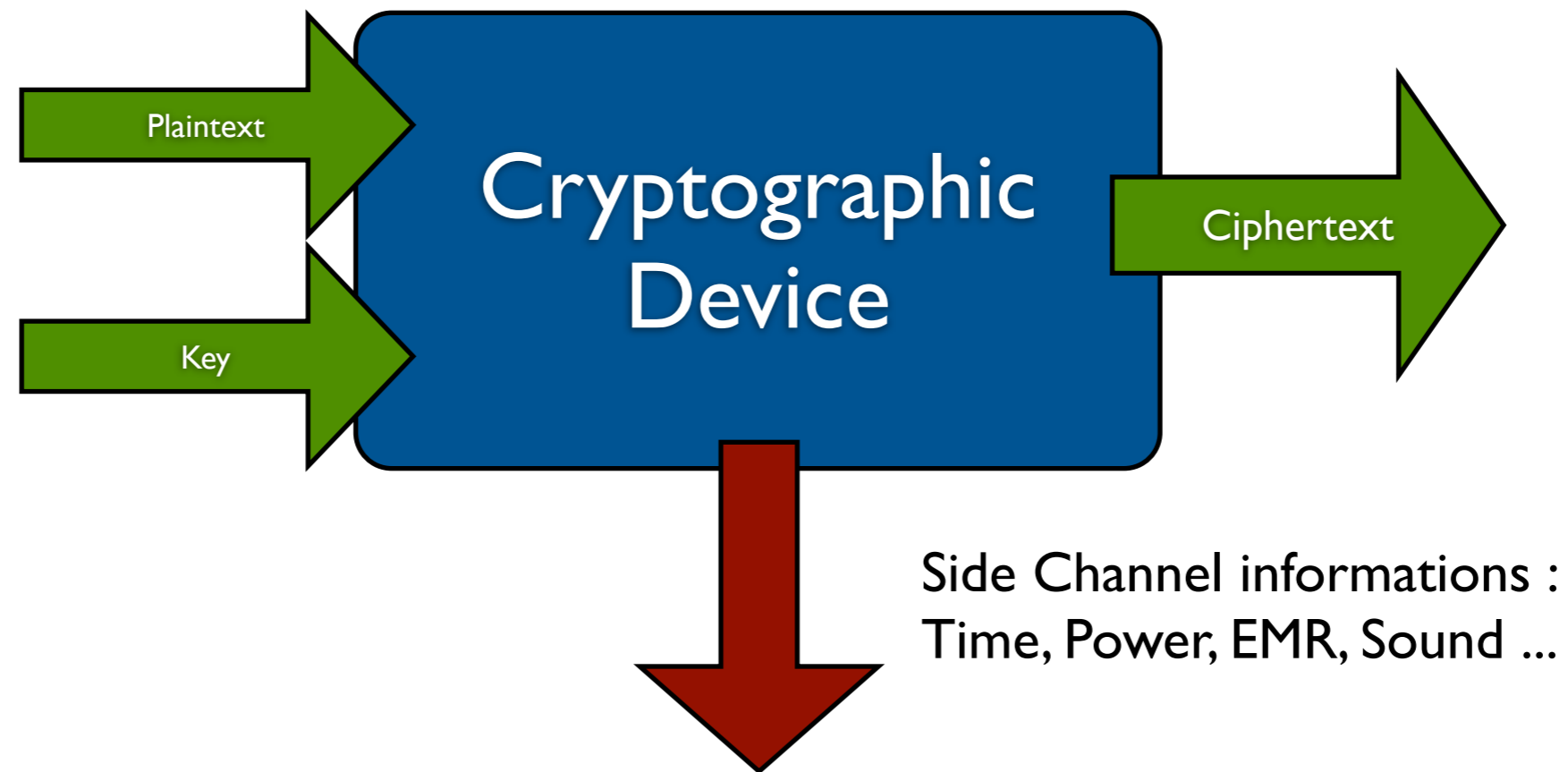
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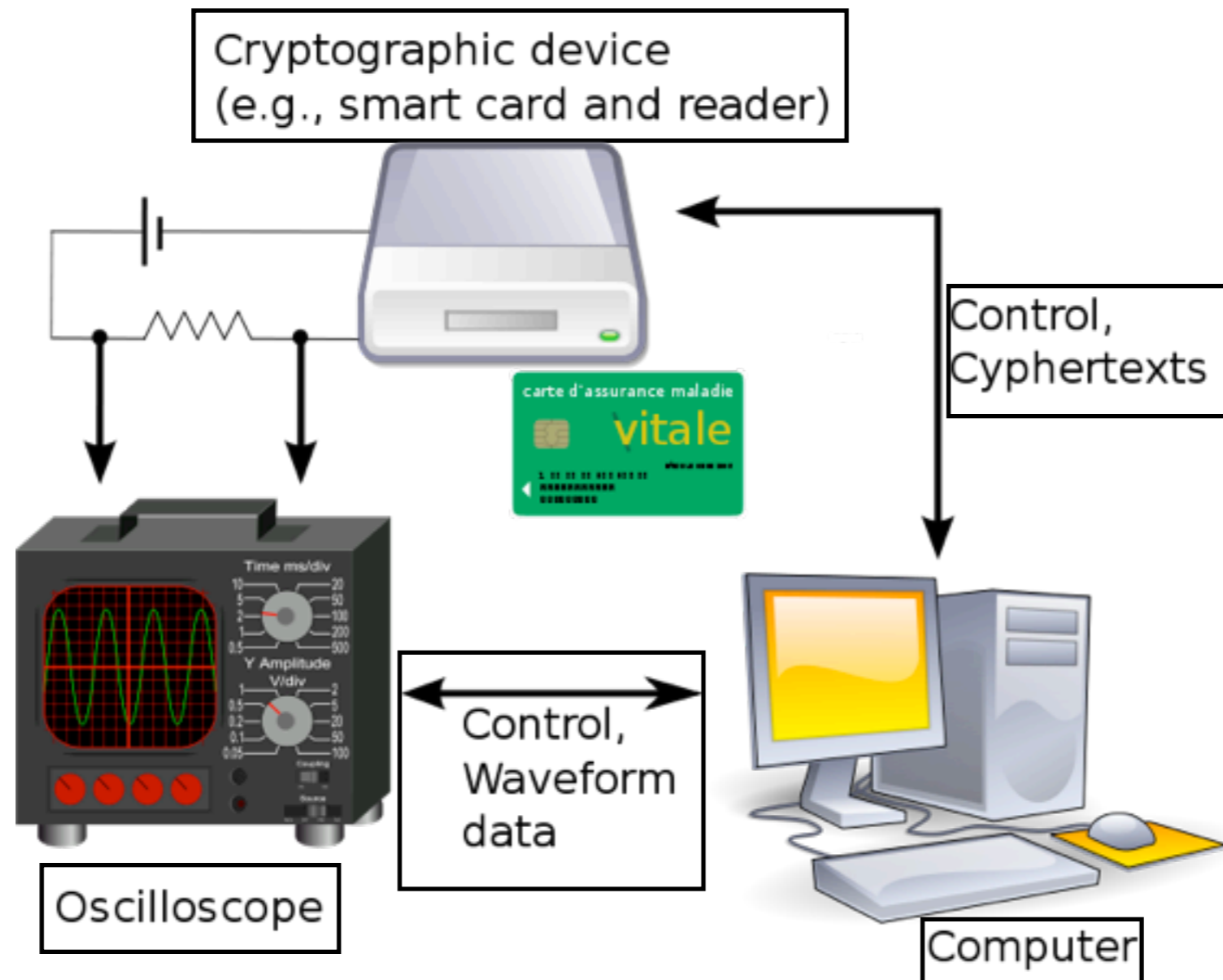


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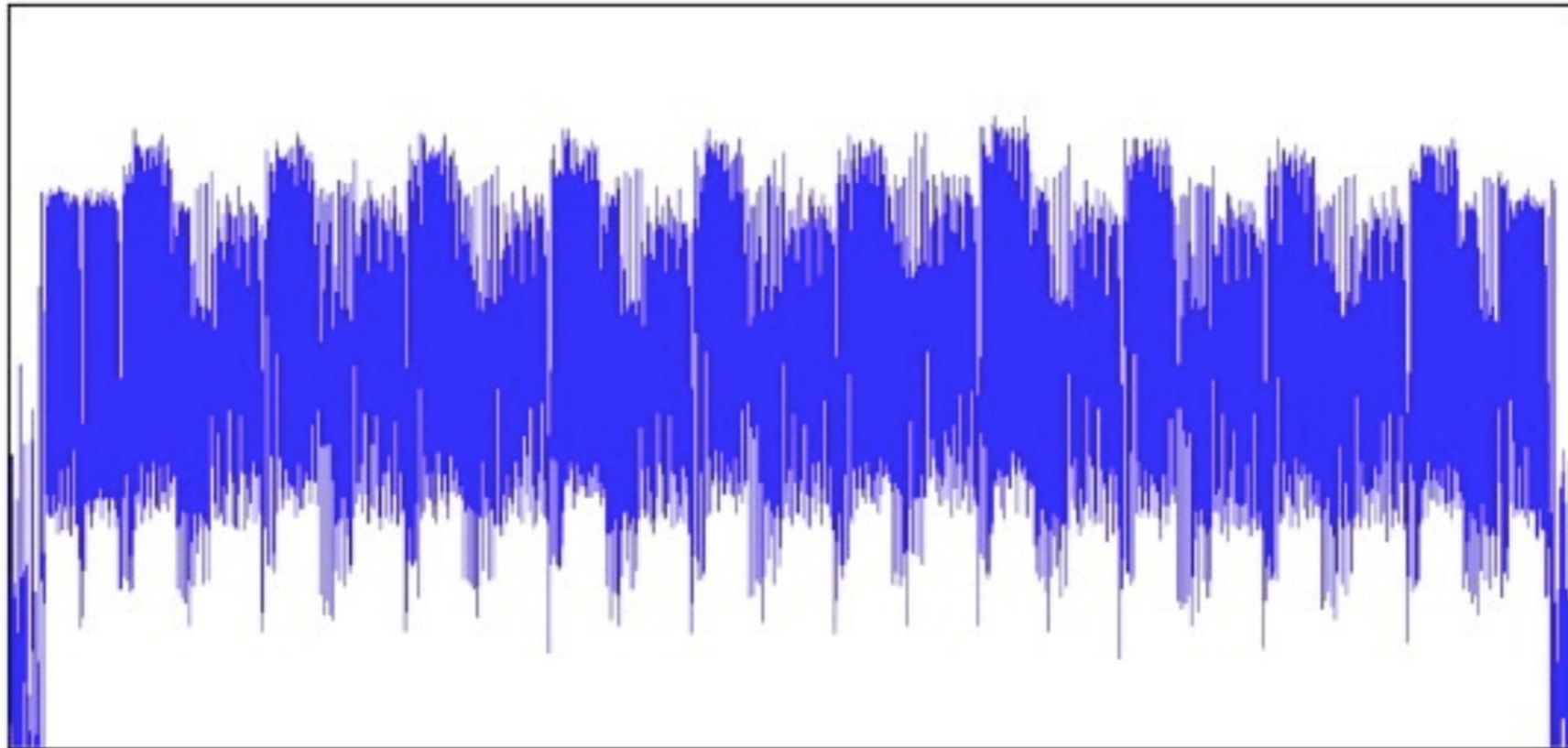
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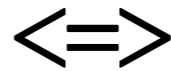
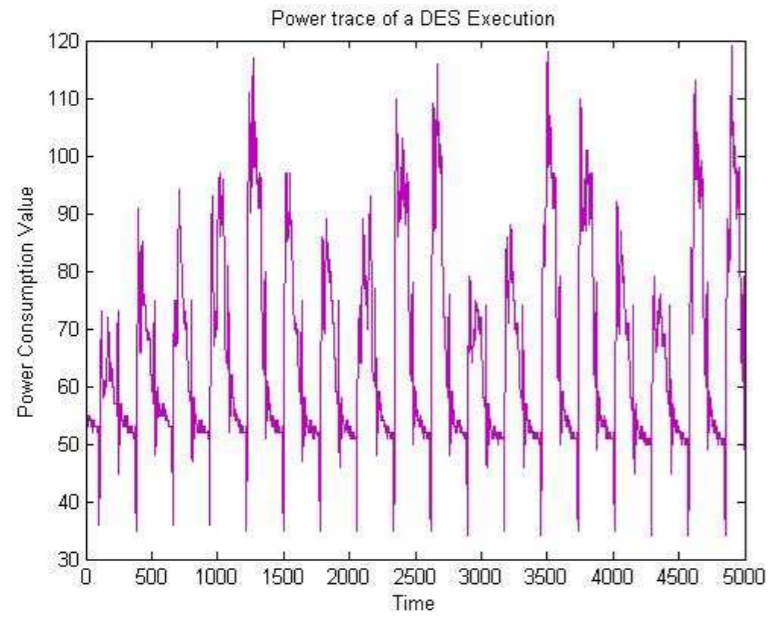
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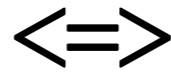
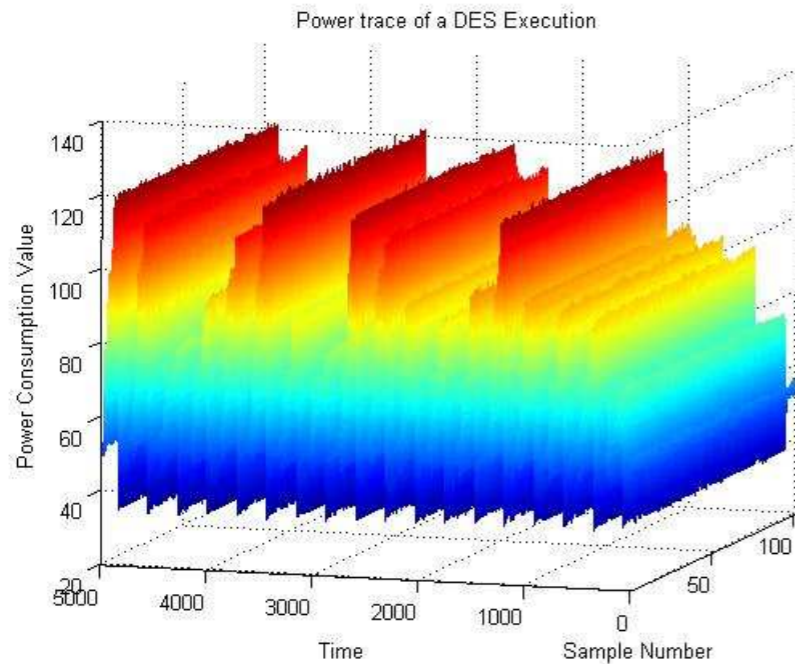
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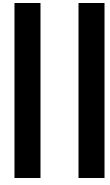
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1.1	1.0	0.8	0.2	1.5	2.0	0.2



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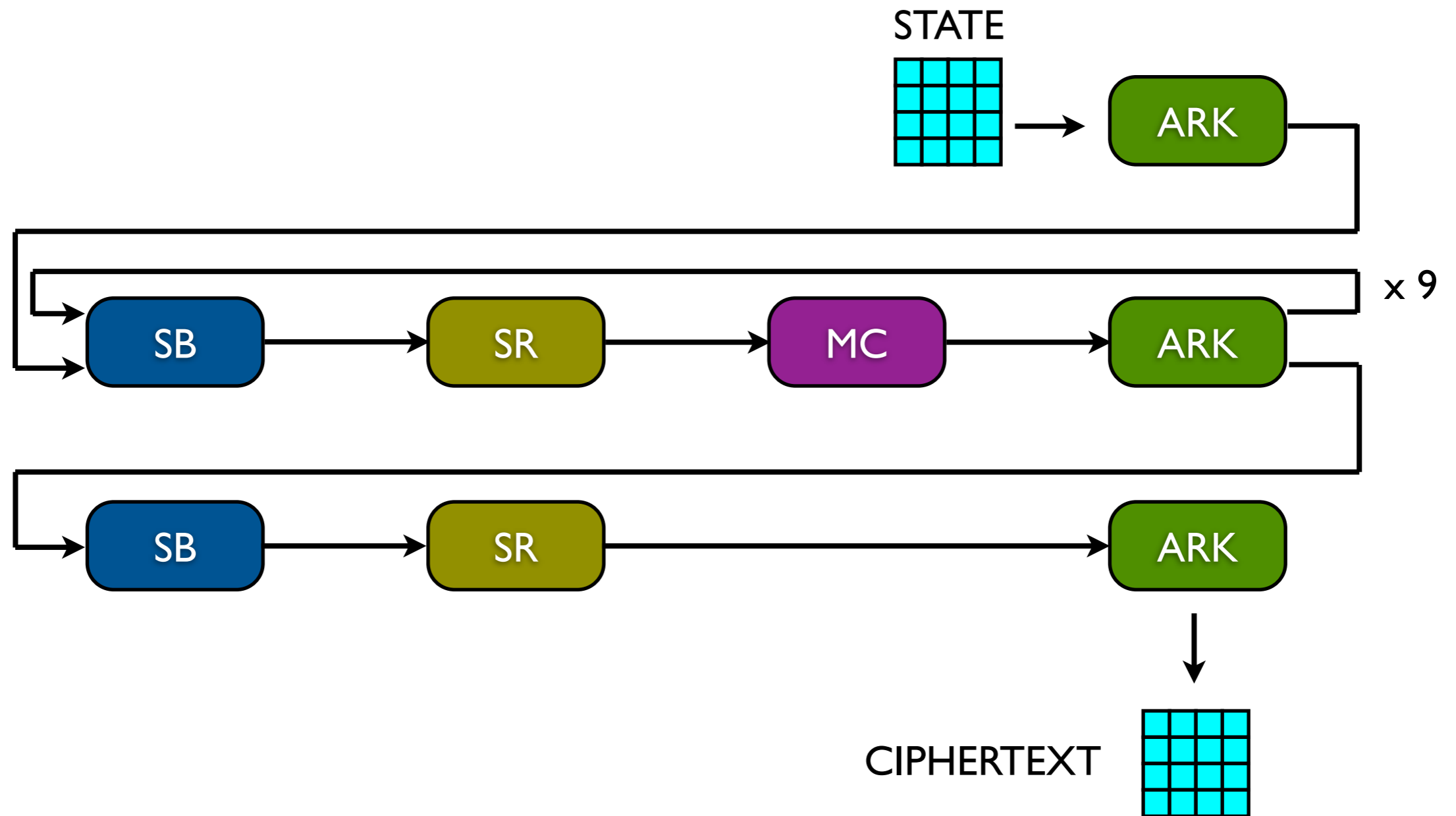
Schedulability

of AES As a Countermeasure Against Side Channel
Attacks

AES

- Symmetric block cypher
- 128 bits Plaintext & Key
- Operations applied to 4x4 STATE matrix
- 4 operations: AddRoundKey, SubBytes, ShiftRows and MixColumns

AES



SchedAES Notations

- OP-k-i-j or OP-k-i or OP-k-j
- OP : ARK (AddRoundKey), SB (SubByte), SR (ShiftRow) or MC (MixColumn)
- k : round index
- i : STATE line index
- j : STATE column index

Observations

- Operations on single byte (ARK and SB)
- Operations on 4 bytes (SR and MC)
- No need to perform 16 ARK- k - i - j to execute one SB- $(k+1)$ - i - j
- No need to perform 16 SB- k - i - j to execute one MC- k - j
- ...

Scheduler Algorithm

Algorithm 1 AES SCHEDULER: PSEUDO-CODE

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1: {Initialization}
2:  $\Theta = \{ ARK_{0,0,0}, ARK_{0,0,1}, ARK_{0,0,2}, ARK_{0,0,3}, ARK_{0,1,0}, ARK_{0,1,1}, ARK_{0,1,2},$   
 $ARK_{0,1,3}, ARK_{0,2,0}, ARK_{0,2,1}, ARK_{0,2,2}, ARK_{0,2,3}, ARK_{0,3,0}, ARK_{0,3,1},$   
 $ARK_{0,3,2}, ARK_{0,3,3} \}$ 
3: {Execution loop}
4: while not finished do
5:    $\alpha =$  randomly pick operation in  $\Theta$ 
6:   perform  $\alpha$ 
7:    $\Theta =$  updateTheta( $\alpha$ )
8: end while
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Algorithm 2 UPDATETHETA: PSEUDO-CODE

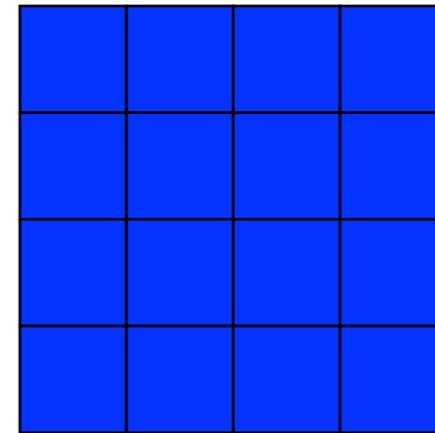
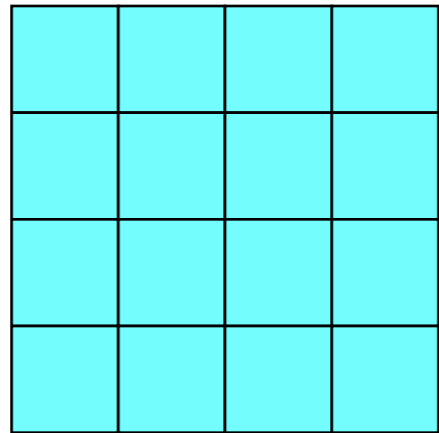
Require: operation α , set of possible operations Θ

Ensure: set of possible operations Θ updated

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1: remove  $\alpha$  from  $\Theta$ 
2: operation_name = operation part of  $\alpha$ 
3:  $k =$  round index of  $\alpha$ 
4:  $i =$  line index of  $\alpha$ 
5:  $j =$  column index of  $\alpha$ 
6: if operation_name is ARK then
7:   arkUpdate( $k,i,j$ )
8: else if operation_name is SB then
9:   sbUpdate( $k,i,j$ )
10: else if operation_name is SR then
11:   srUpdate( $k,i$ )
12: else if operation_name is MC then
13:   mcUpdate( $k,j$ )
14: end if
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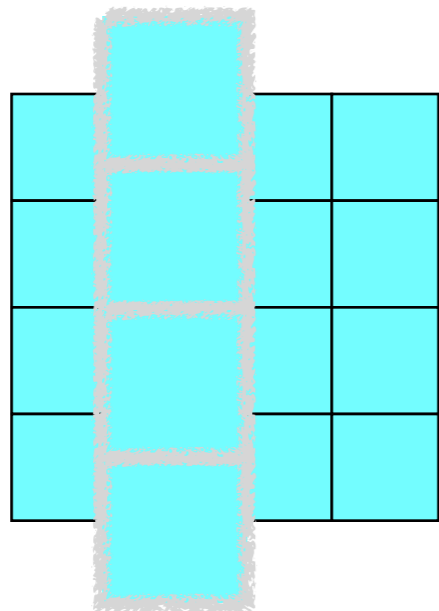
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AddRoundKey

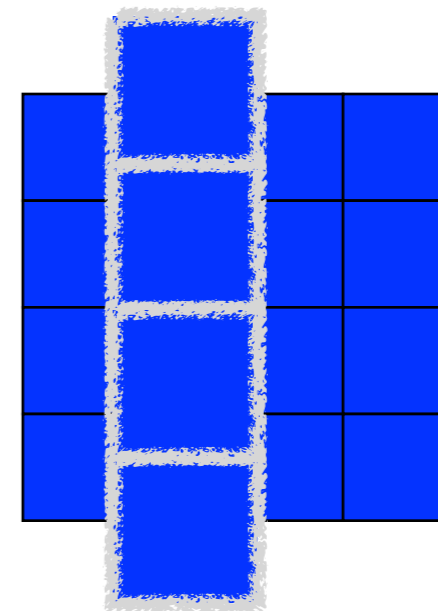


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AddRoundKey



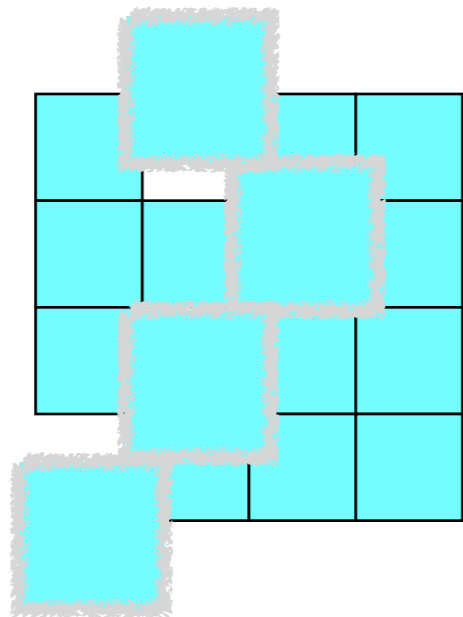
$MC_{k,1}!$



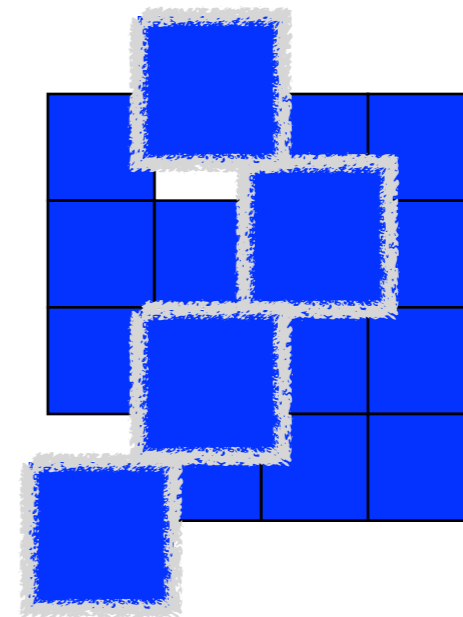
$ARK_{k,0,1} \& ARK_{k,1,1} \&$
 $ARK_{k,2,1} \& ARK_{k,3,1} ?$

SchedAES

AddRoundKey



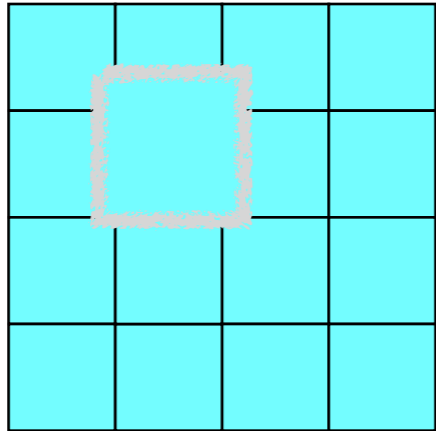
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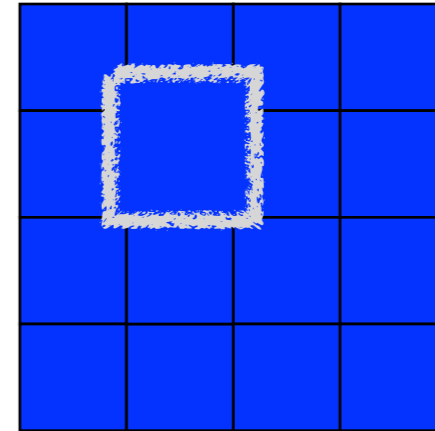
$ARK_{k,0,1}$ & $ARK_{k,1,2}$ &
 $ARK_{k,2,1}$ & $ARK_{k,3,0}$?

SchedAES

AddRoundKey 10



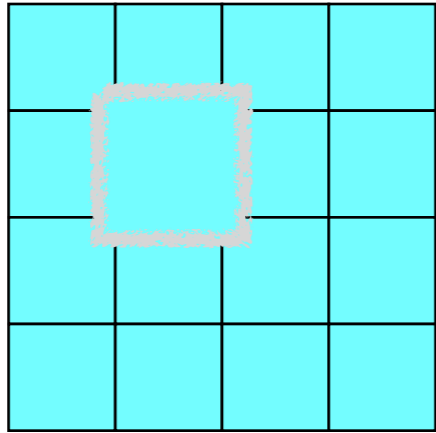
$SB_{10,1,1}$!



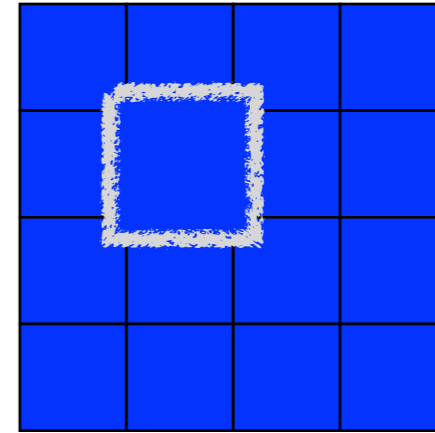
$ARK_{10,1,1}$?

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SubByte



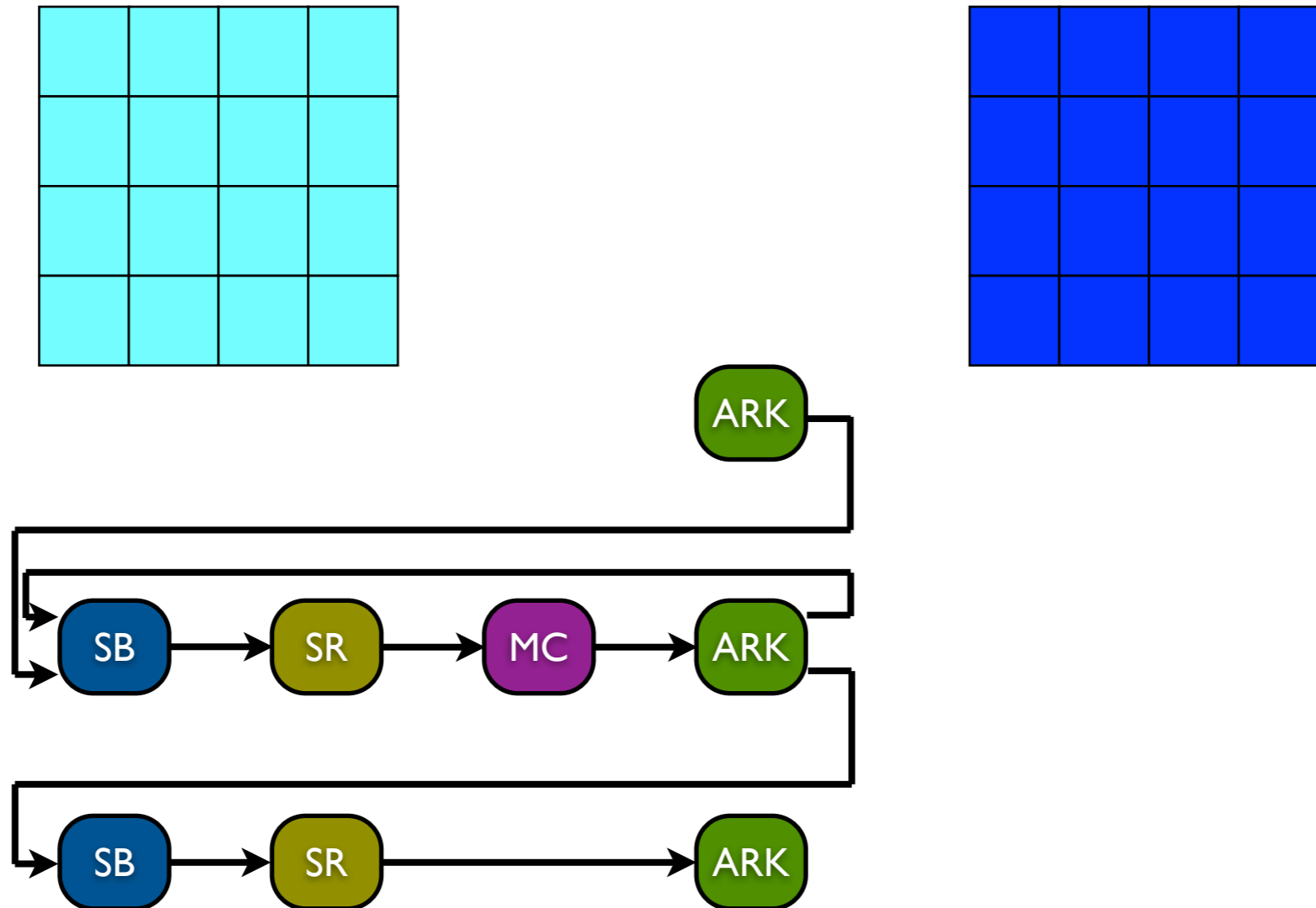
$ARK_{(k-1),l,l} !$



$SB_{k,l,l} ?$

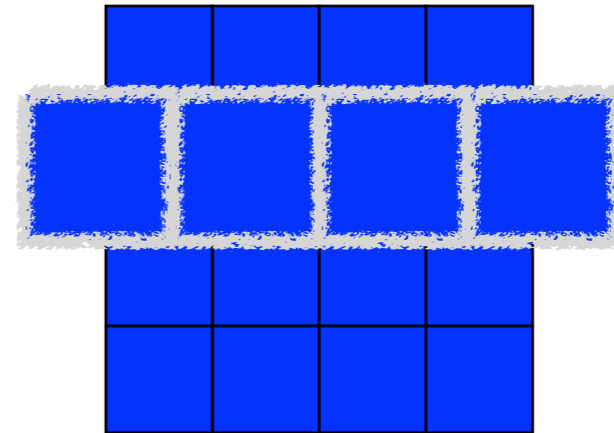
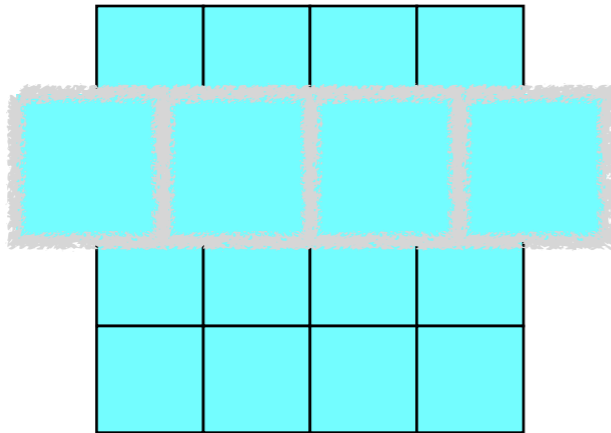
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ShiftRow



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ShiftRow

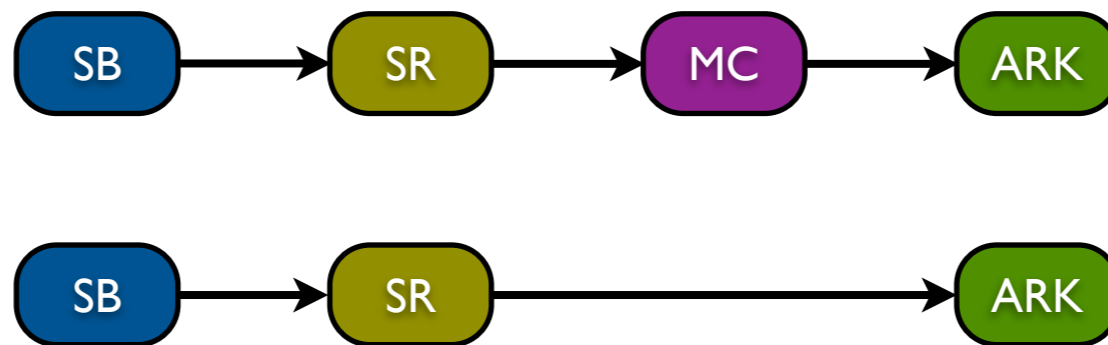
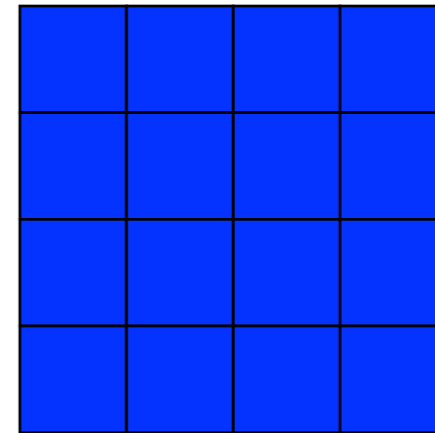
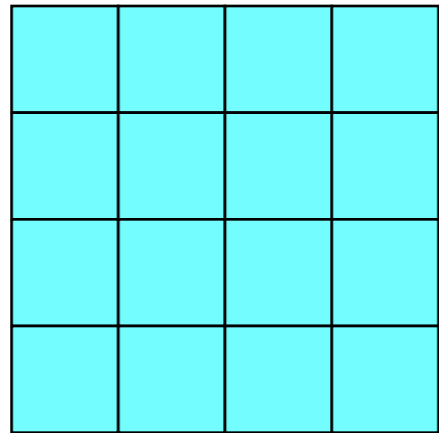


$ARK_{(k-1),1,0}$ & $ARK_{(k-1),1,0}$
& $ARK_{(k-1),1,0}$ & $ARK_{(k-1),1,0}$
& $SR_{(k-1),1}$!

$SR_{k,1}$?

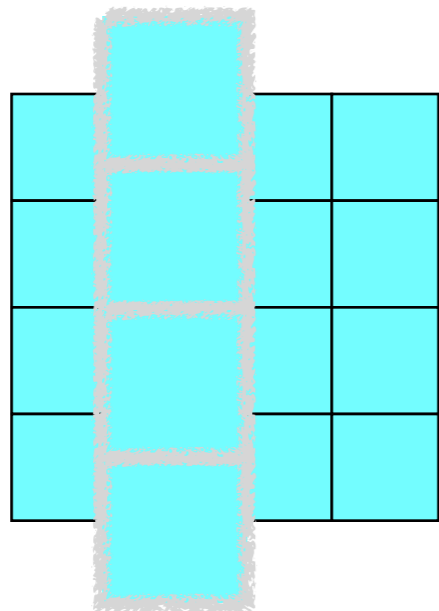
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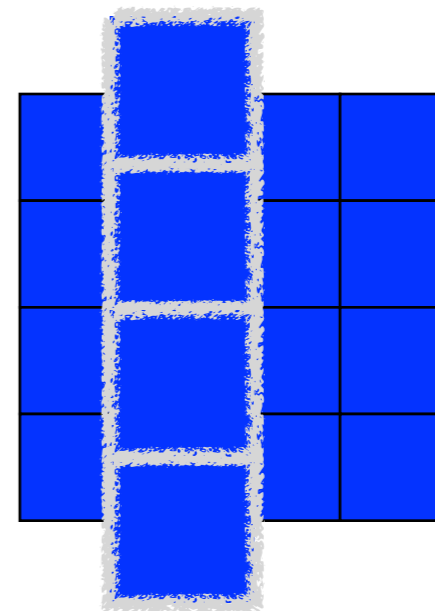


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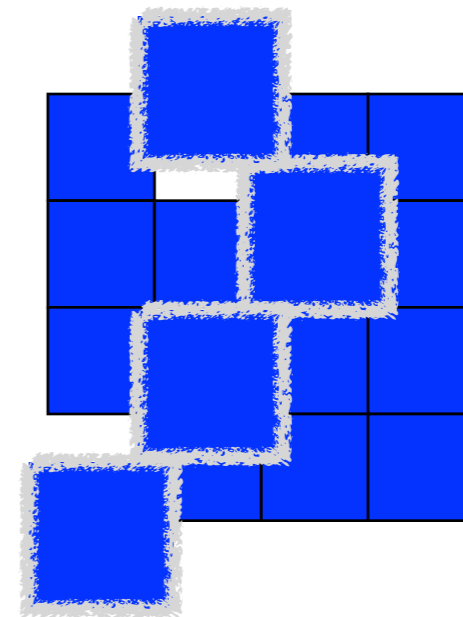
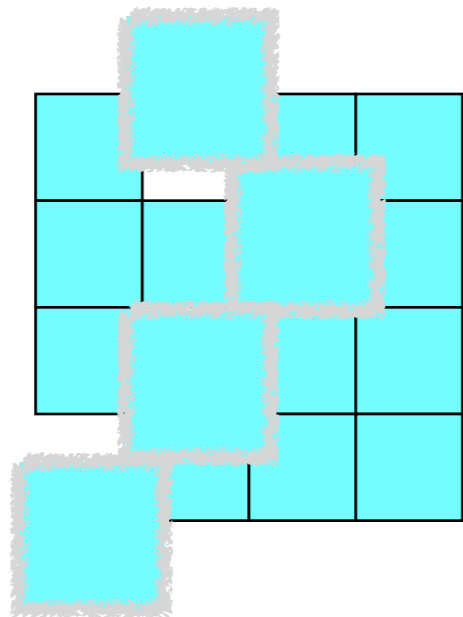
$SB_{k,0,l}$ & $SB_{k,0,l}$ &
 $SB_{k,0,l}$ & $SB_{k,0,l}$!



$MC_{k,l}$?

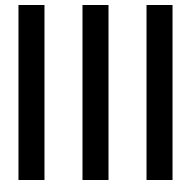
SchedAES

MixColumn



$SB_{k,0,1}$ & $SB_{k,1,2}$ &
 $SB_{k,2,1}$ & $SB_{k,3,0}$!

$MC_{k,1}$?

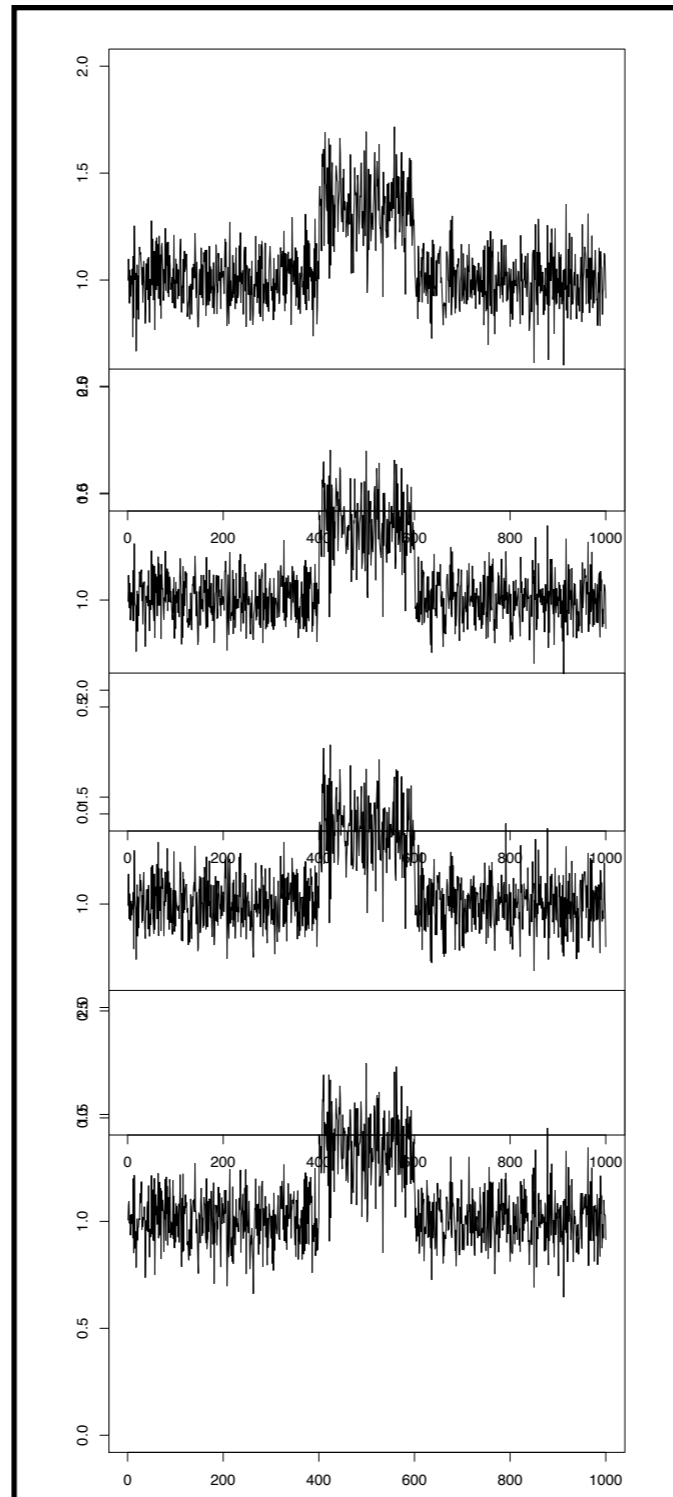


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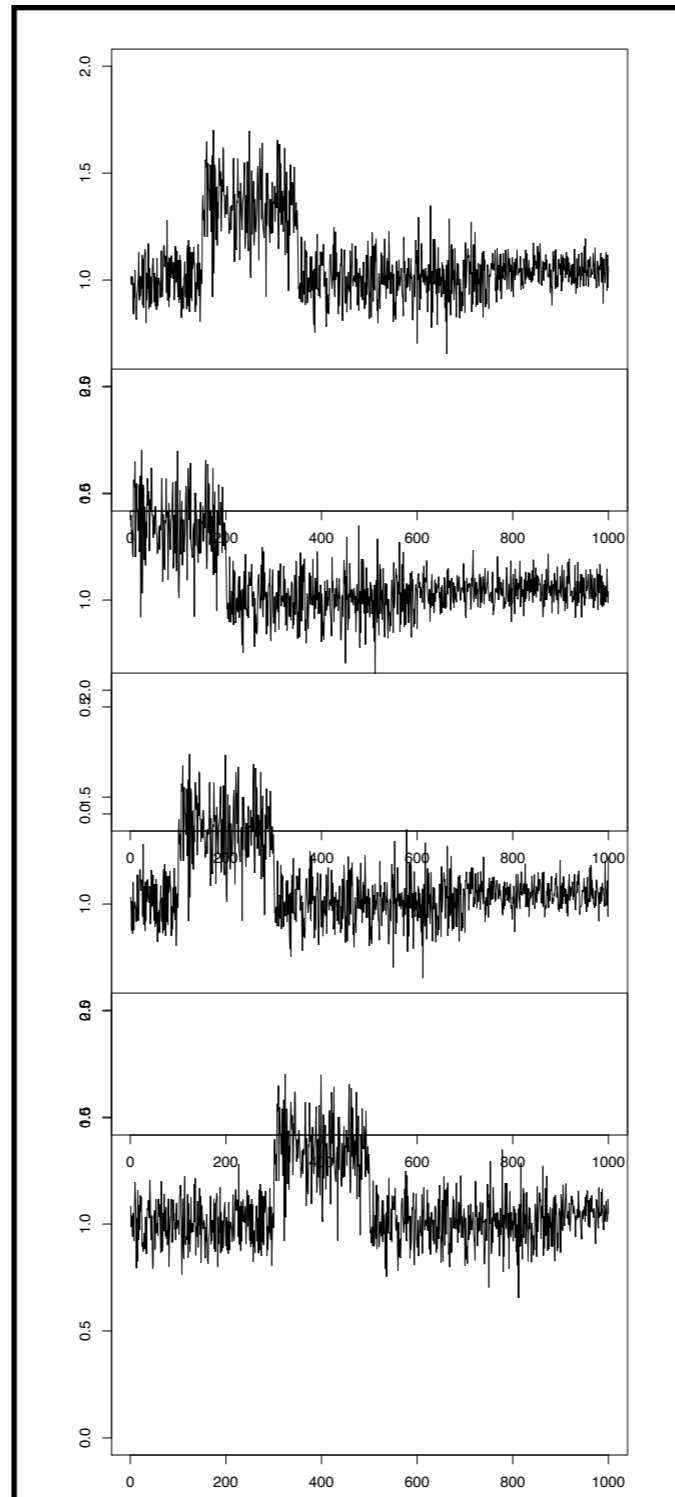
Hiding - Shuffling

- Induce power traces misalignment
- Dummy operations
- Instructions swapping

Hiding - Shuffling



Hiding - Shuffling



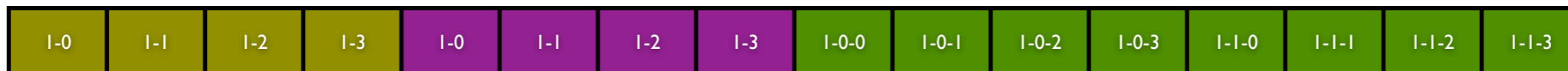
Execution Traces

- Sequence of operations : $Op_1 - Op_2$
- ... - Op_n
- One or multiple points (values) per Op
- $Op_1 - Op_2 - Op_3 - Op_4$ and $Op_1 - Op_2$
- $Op_3 - Op_4$ are aligned
- $Op_1 - Op_2 - Op_3 - Op_4$ and $Op_1 - Op_4$

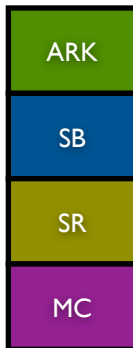
Tillich [ACNS 2007]

- Random permutation inside AES operations
- Use a masking Scheme
- Randomize 1,5 firsts rounds and 2 lasts rounds

AES



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Tillich (I)

0-1-0	0-3-1	0-0-3	0-2-0	0-3-3	0-0-0	0-1-2	0-2-3	0-0-2	0-2-1	0-1-1	0-2-2	0-3-0	0-3-2	0-1-3	0-0-1
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1-3-3	1-3-2	1-3-1	1-3-0	1-2-0	1-2-1	1-2-2	1-2-3	1-1-3	1-1-2	1-1-1	1-1-0	1-0-0	1-0-1	1-0-2	1-0-3
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ARK
SB
SR
MC

Tillich (2)

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Tillich (3)

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SchedAES (I)

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SchedAES (2)

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SchedAES (3)

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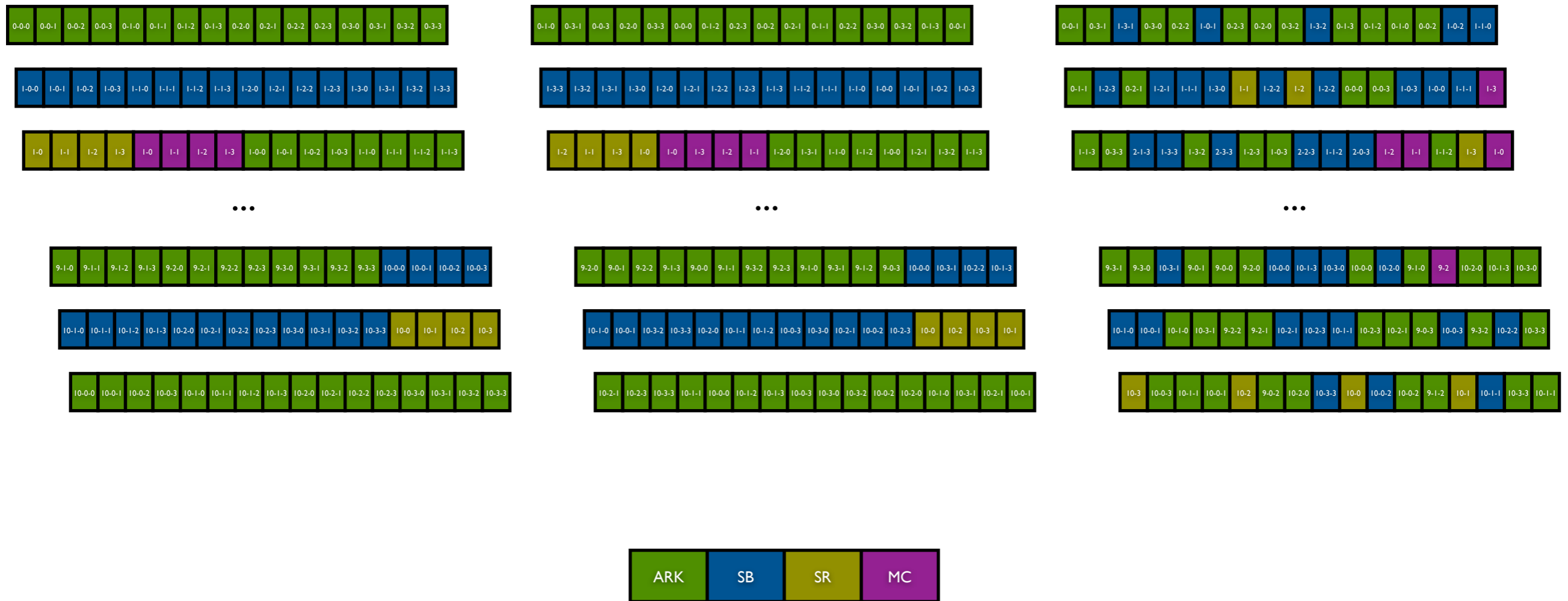
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AES - Tillich - SchedAES

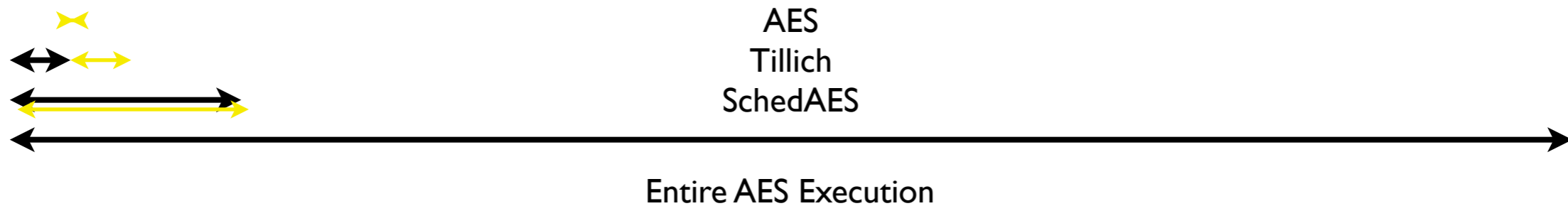
execution traces comparison



Results

Schedulability

	ARK0-x-y	SBI-x-y
AES	$(4*x) + y$	$(4*x) + y + 16$
Tillich	[0,15]	[16,31]
SchedAES	[0,60]	[1,62]



Comparison

	Size	Time	Security SB
AES	1,0	1,0	1,0
Tillich*	1,05	1,21	5,0
SchedAES	2,0	7,02	>50,0

security: number of traces needed for full key recovery

Future Works

- KeyScheduling
- More permissive with SR
- Software Attack (& Hardware)
- Apply power traces alignment techniques
- Other selection policies for the scheduler

Conclusion

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- Slower but stronger scheme
- Not a stand alone countermeasure
- Can be applied to other algorithms

Thank You /
Questions ?

