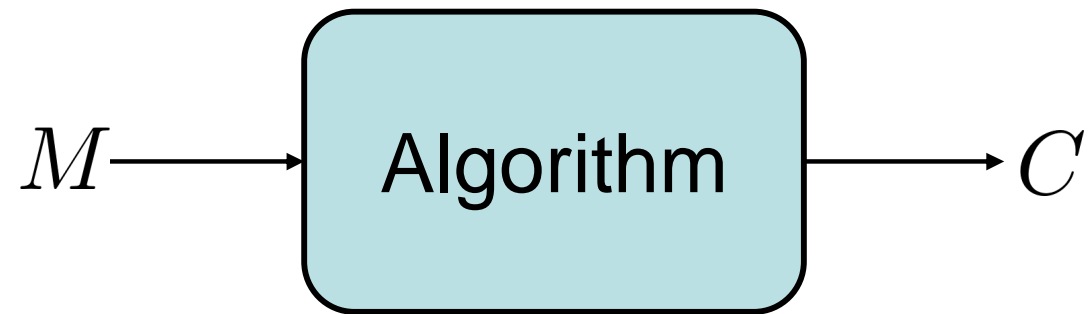


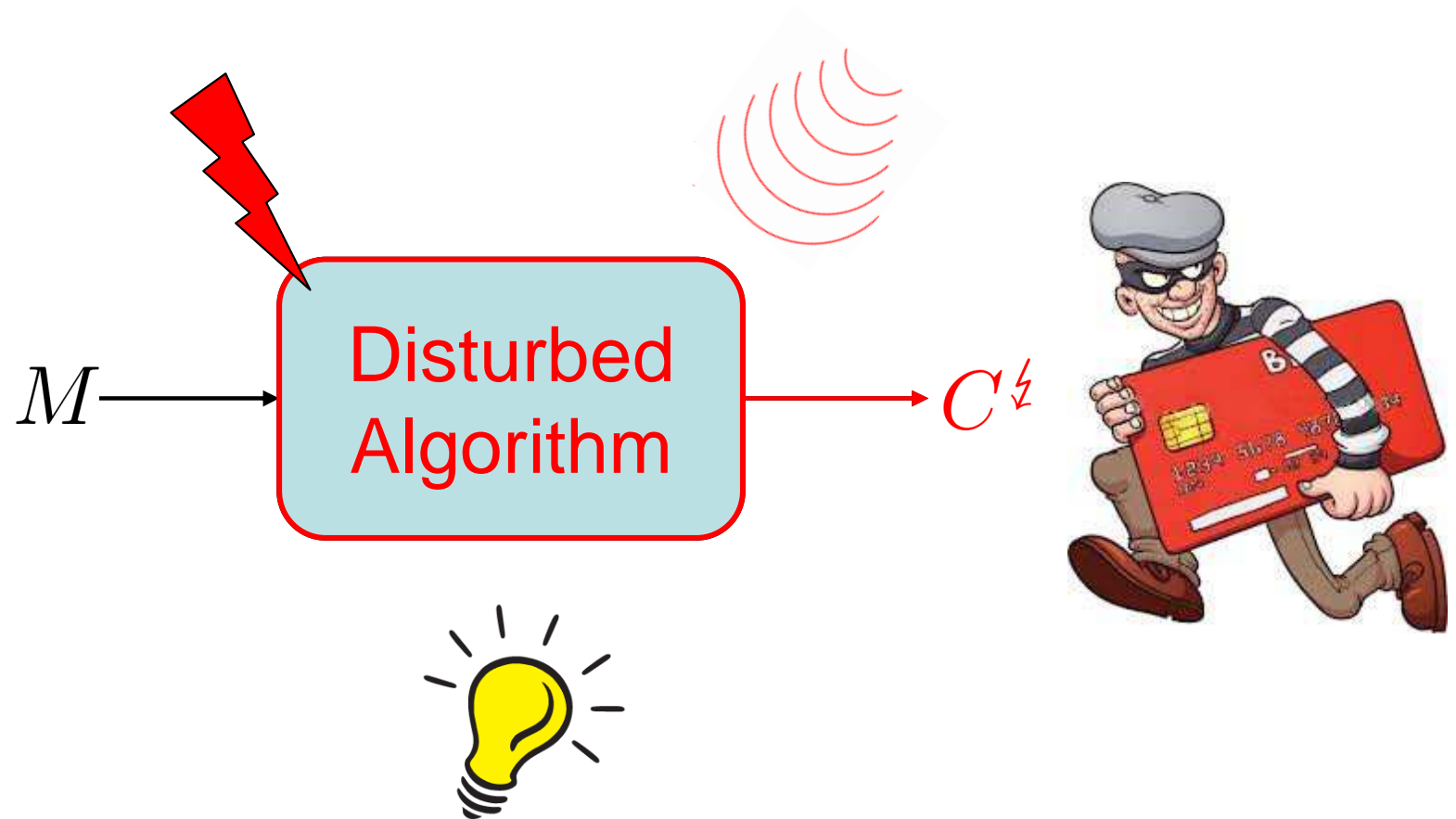
Fault Analysis of Infective AES Computations

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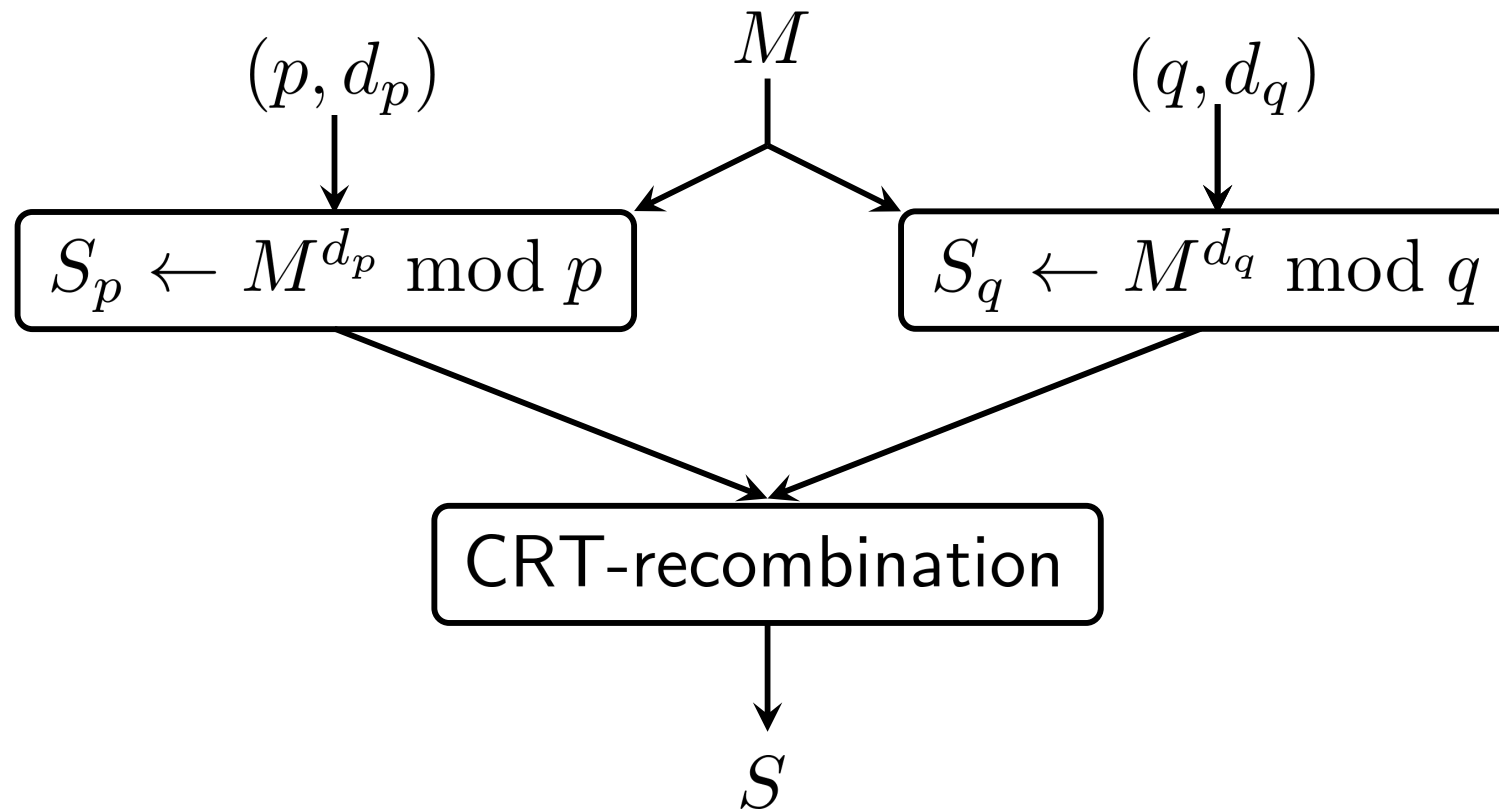
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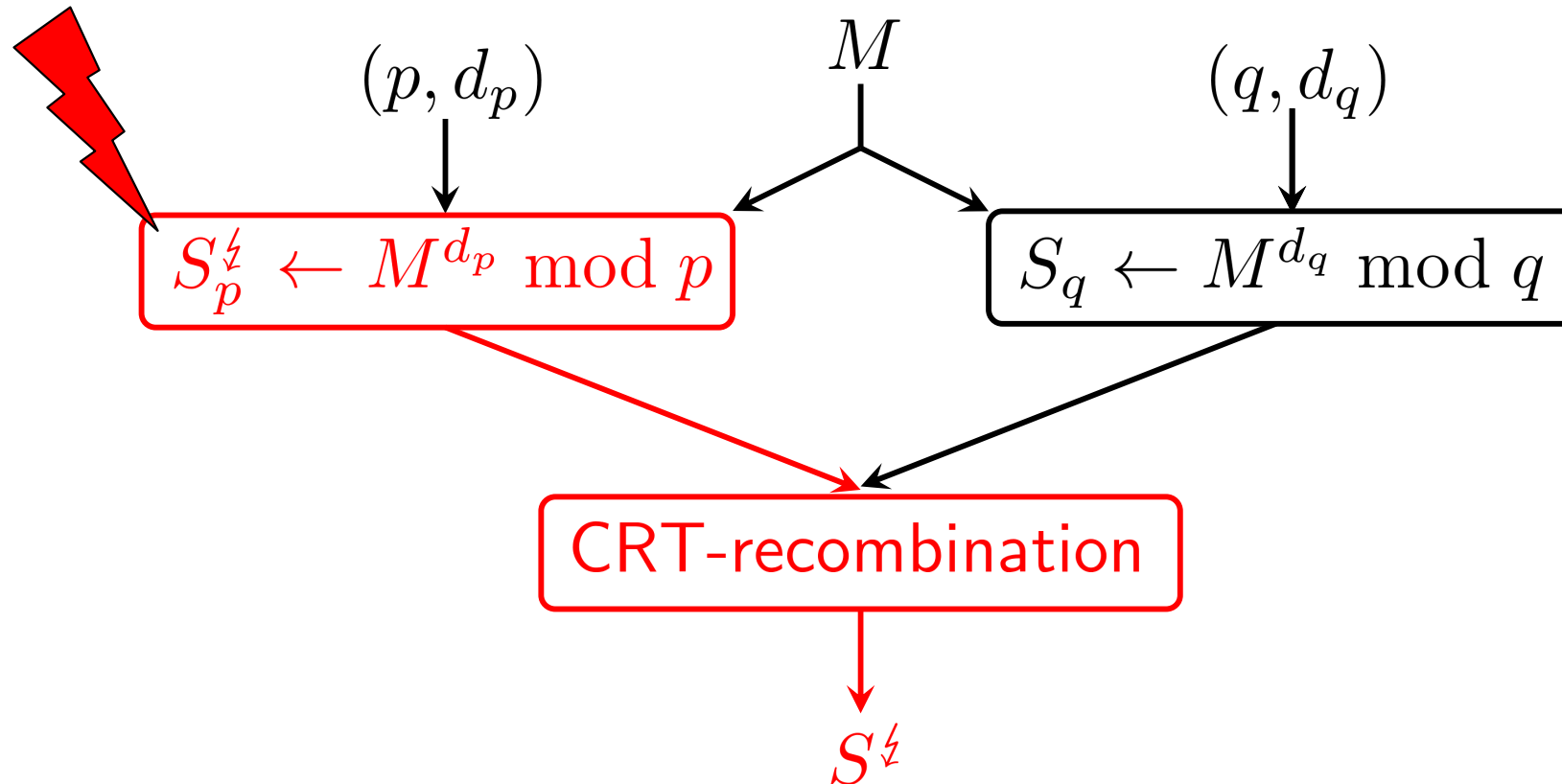


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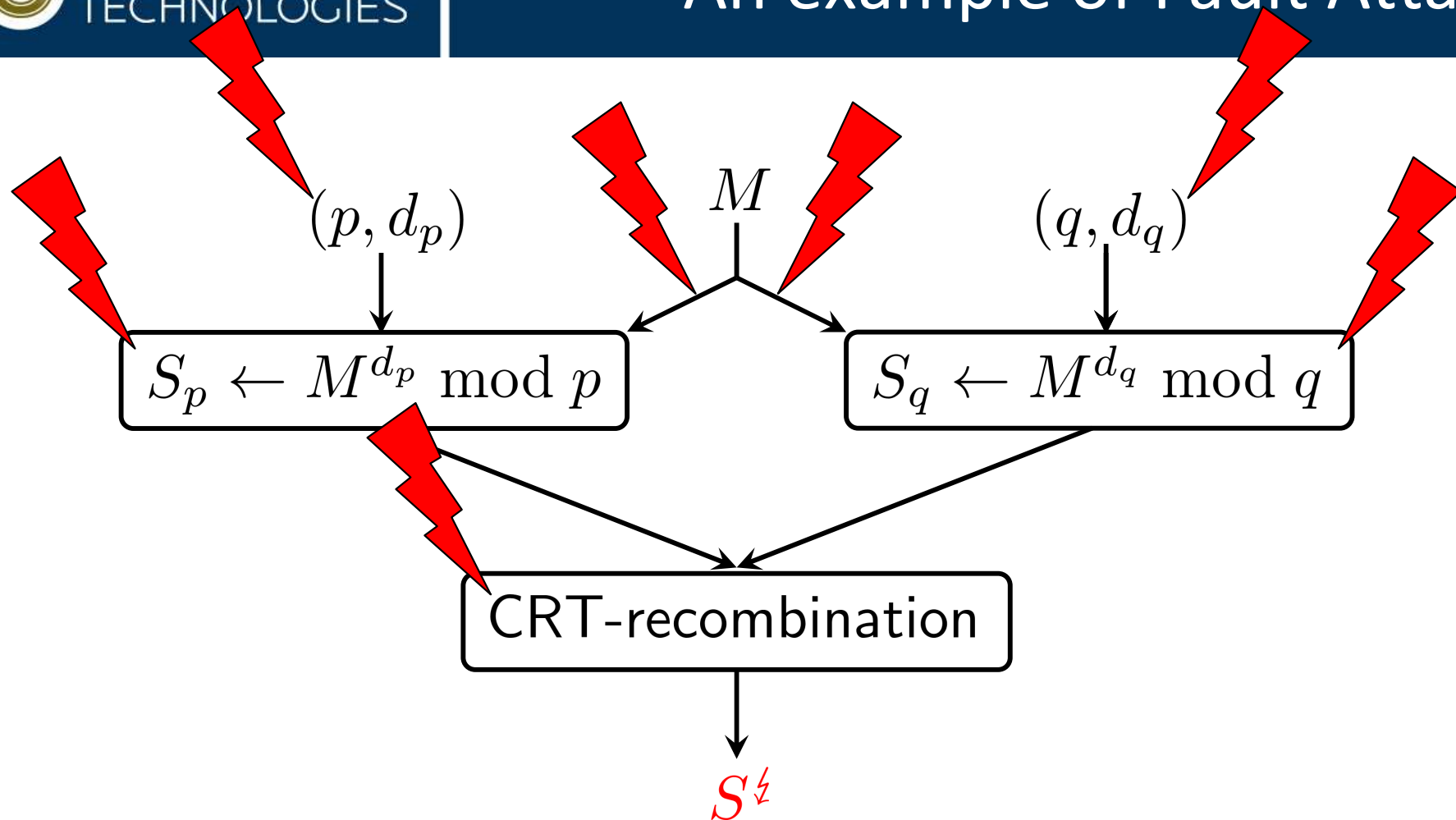


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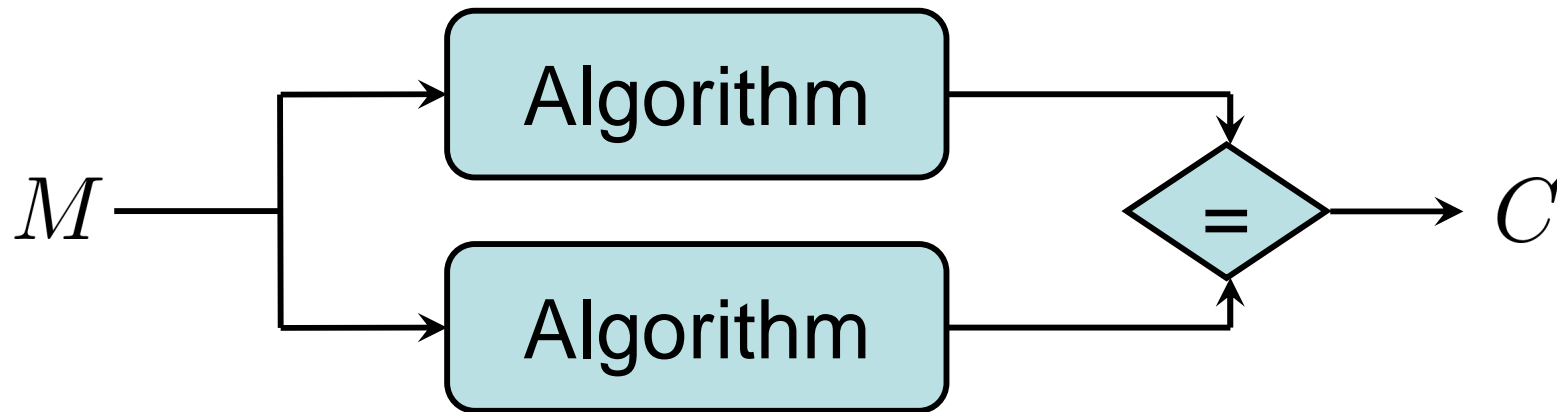


$$\begin{cases} S \equiv S_p \bmod p \\ S \equiv S_q \bmod q \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} S^f \not\equiv S_p \bmod p \\ S^f \equiv S_q \bmod q \end{cases} \implies \gcd(S - S^f, N) = q$$

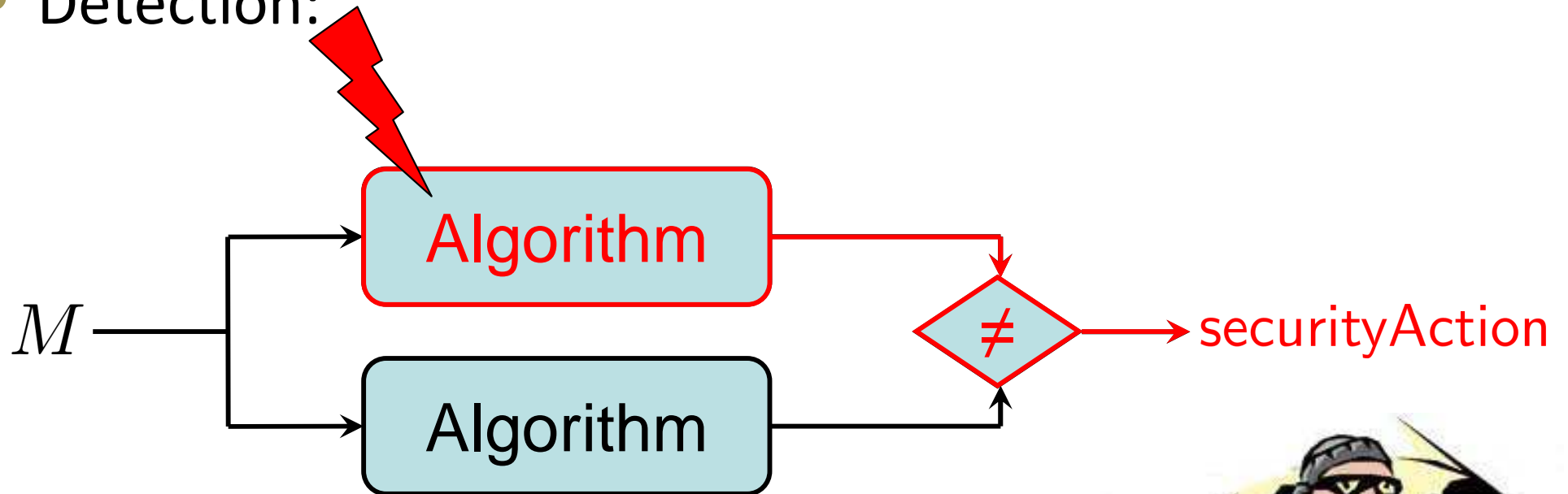


- What a challenge for the countermeasure!!!

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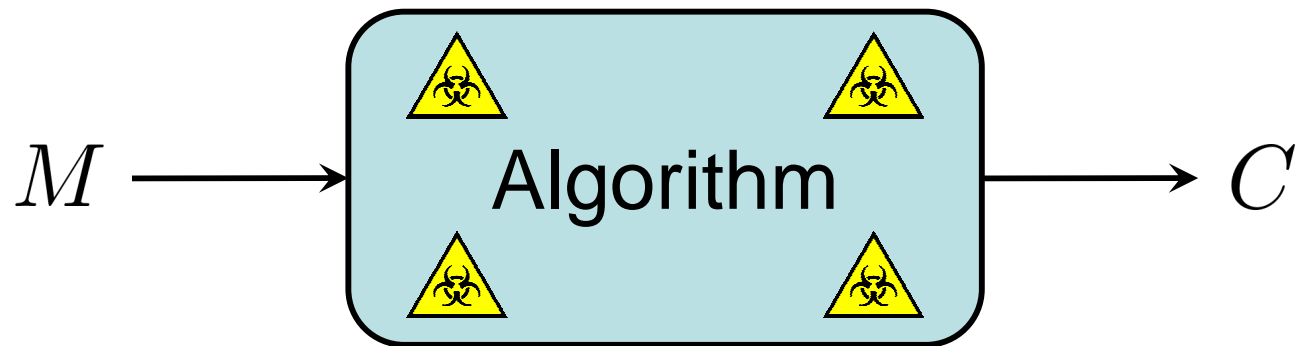


- Drawbacks:

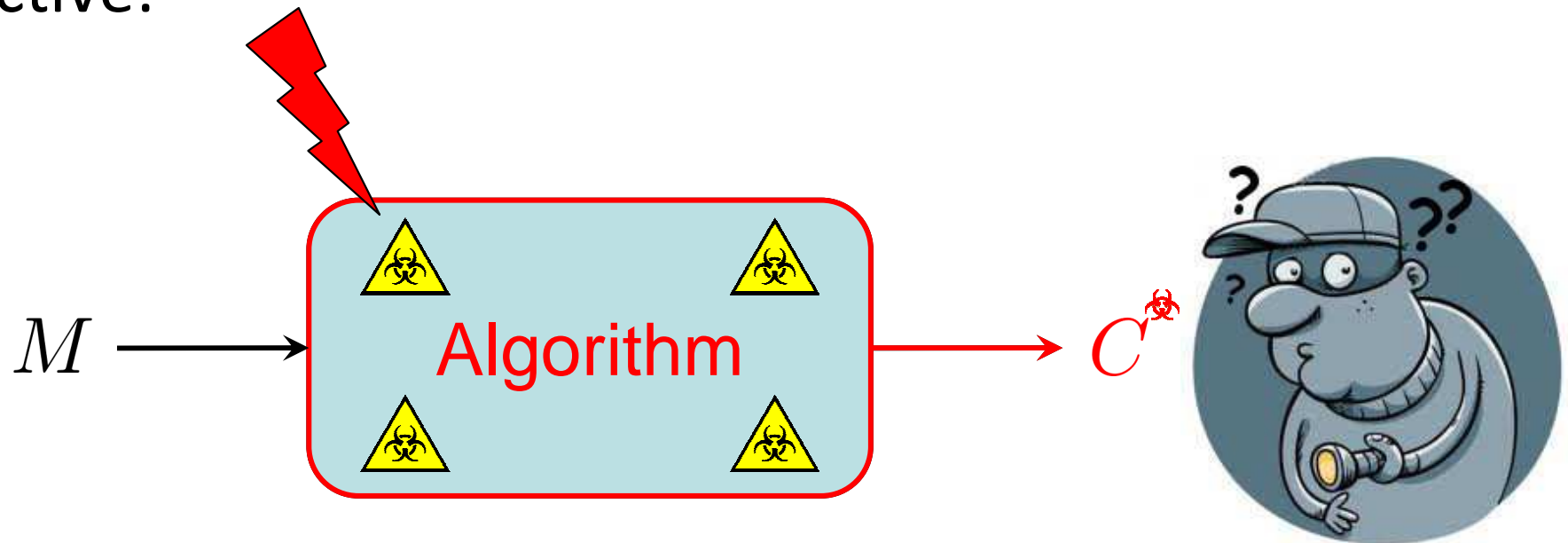
- Attacks during comparison
- Different paths to manage



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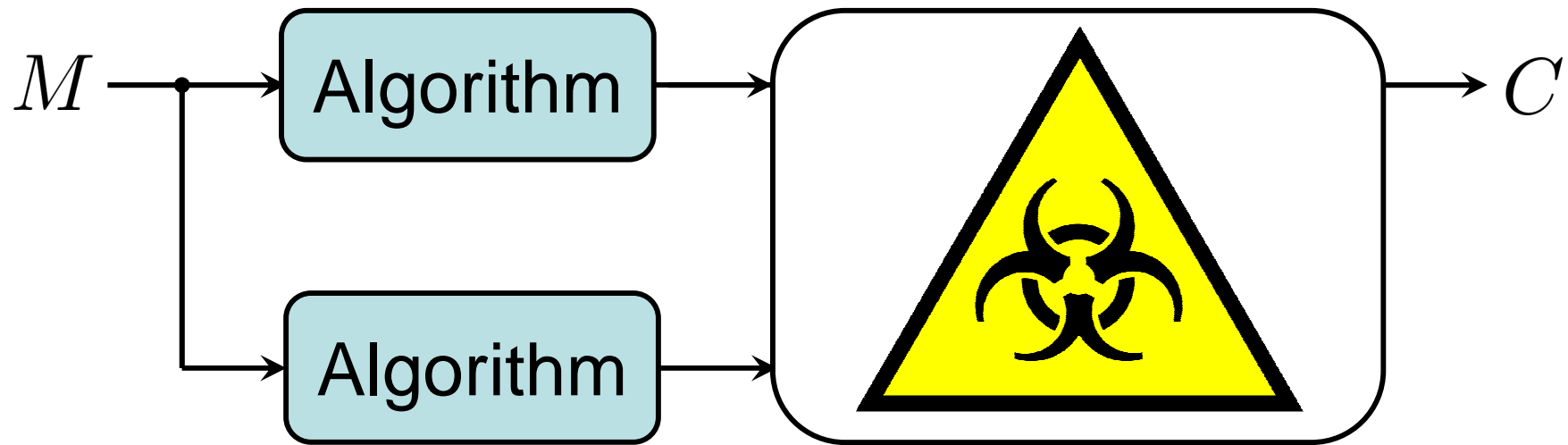


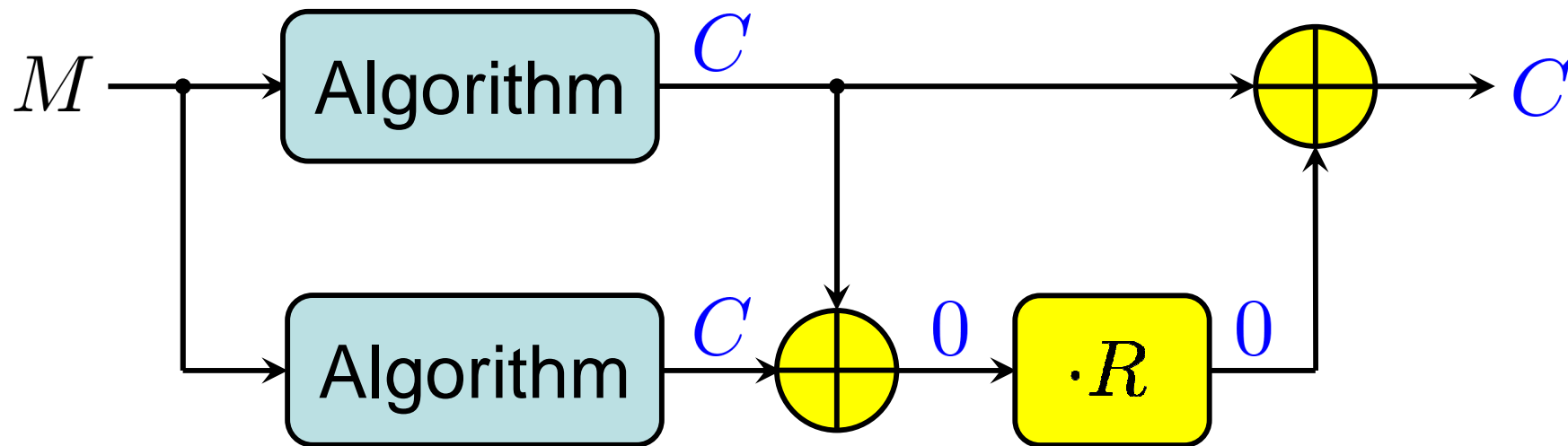
- Comparison with Detection:

- + No comparison
- + Single path
- Could be much slower

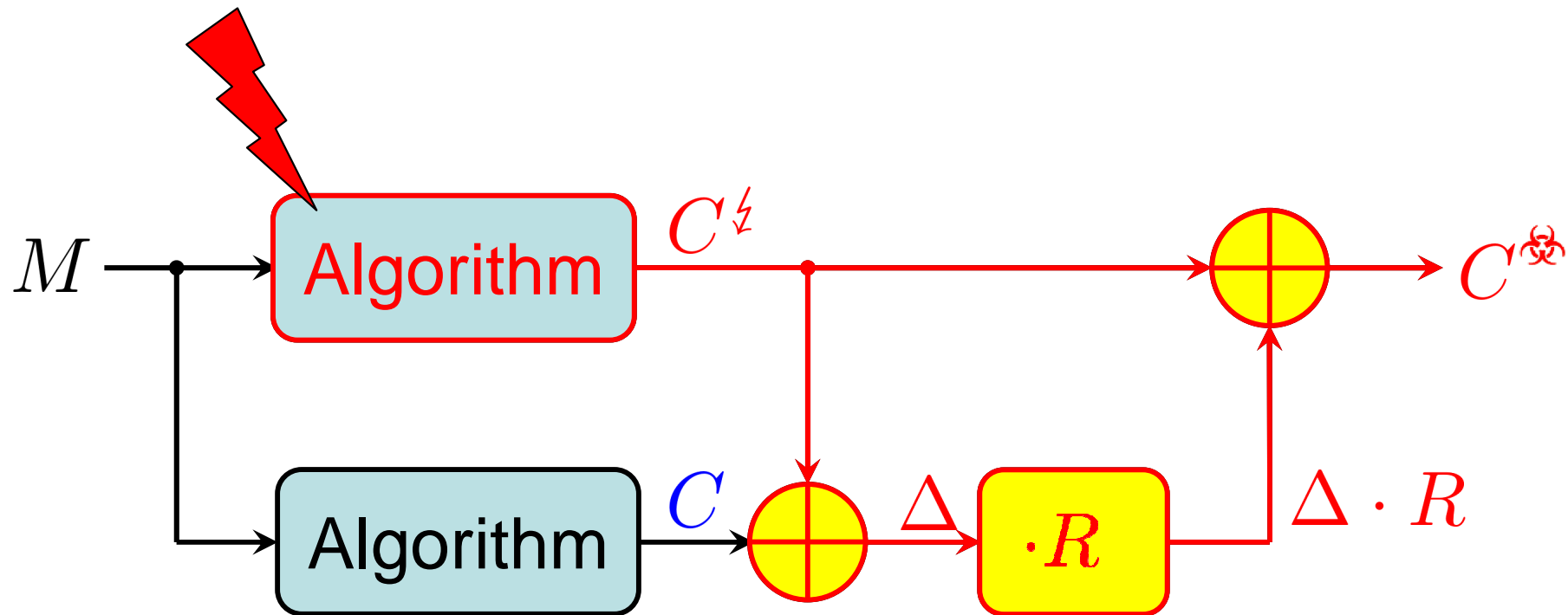
- Asymmetric:
 - [Yen, Kim, Lim, Moon] 2001 → [Yen, Kim, Moon] 2004
 - [Blömer, Otto, Seifert] 2003 → [Qin, Li, Kong] 2008
 - [Ciet, Joye] 2005 → [Berzati, Canovas, Goubin] 2008
 - [Schmidt et al.] 2010 → [Feix, Venelli] 2013
- Symmetric:
 - [Lomné, Roche, Thillard] 2012
 - [Gierlichs, Schmidt, Tunstall] 2012

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- AfricaCrypt 2009 : Mukhopadhyay shows that:

(C, C^{\downarrow}) gives the AES-128 key

if a byte-fault has disturbed the 8th round.

⇒ Goal for the attacker: Recover C^{\downarrow} from C^{bio} :

$$C_i^{\text{bio}} = C_i^{\downarrow} \oplus \Delta_i \cdot R_i$$

where $\Delta_i = C_i \oplus C_i^{\downarrow}$ and R_i a random value $\neq \{0, 1\}$.

- Let us assume a constant fault model (i.e. Δ cst):

$$R_i = 2 \quad C_i^{\text{bio}} = C_i^{\downarrow} \oplus 2 \cdot \Delta_i$$

$$R_i = 3 \quad C_i^{\text{bio}} = C_i^{\downarrow} \oplus 3 \cdot \Delta_i$$

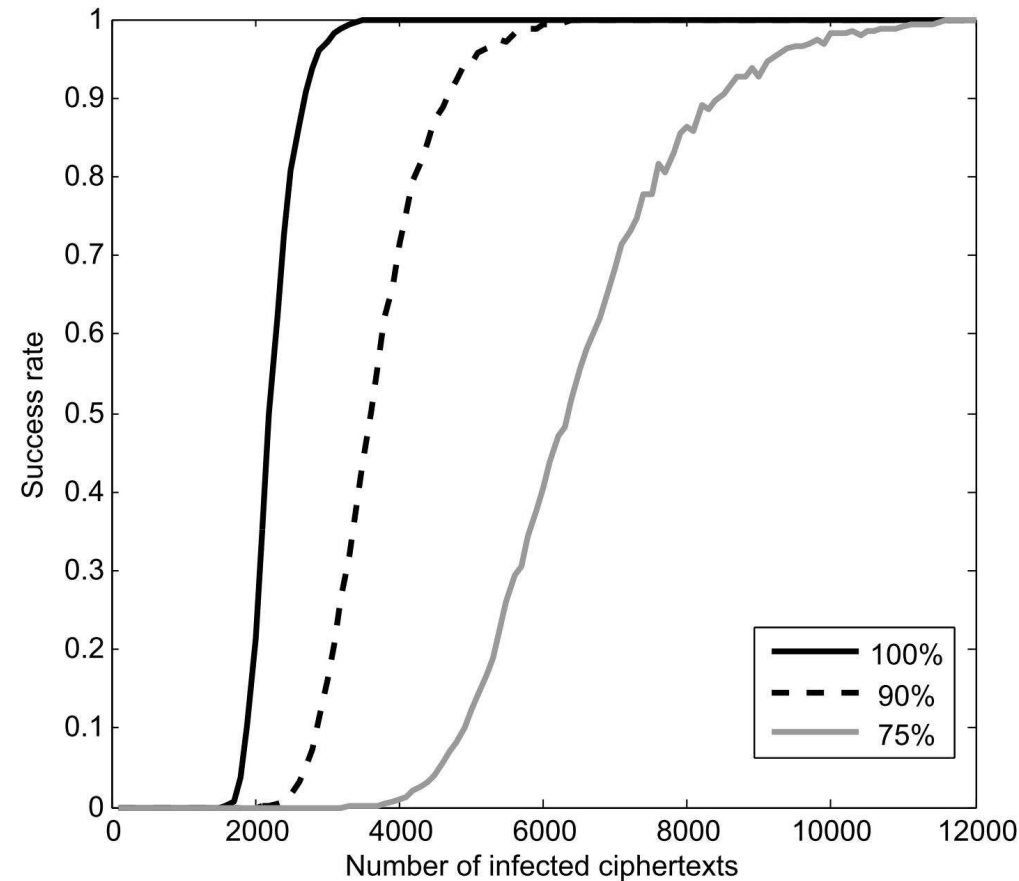
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$$R_i = 255 \quad C_i^{\text{bio}} = C_i^{\downarrow} \oplus 255 \cdot \Delta_i$$

⇒ 2 values never appear : C_i^{\downarrow} and $C_i^{\downarrow} \oplus \Delta_i = C_i$

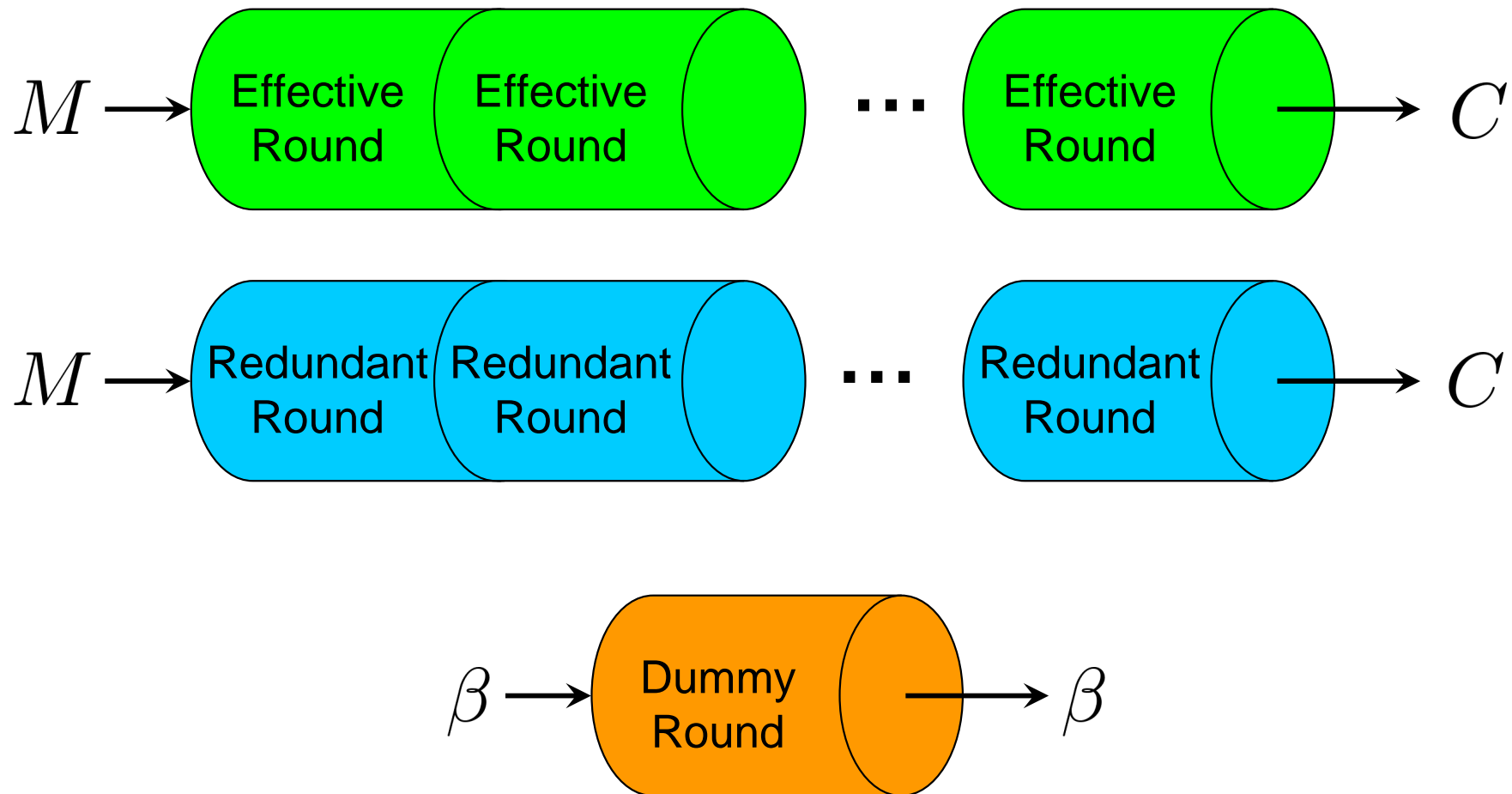
- Attack procedure:

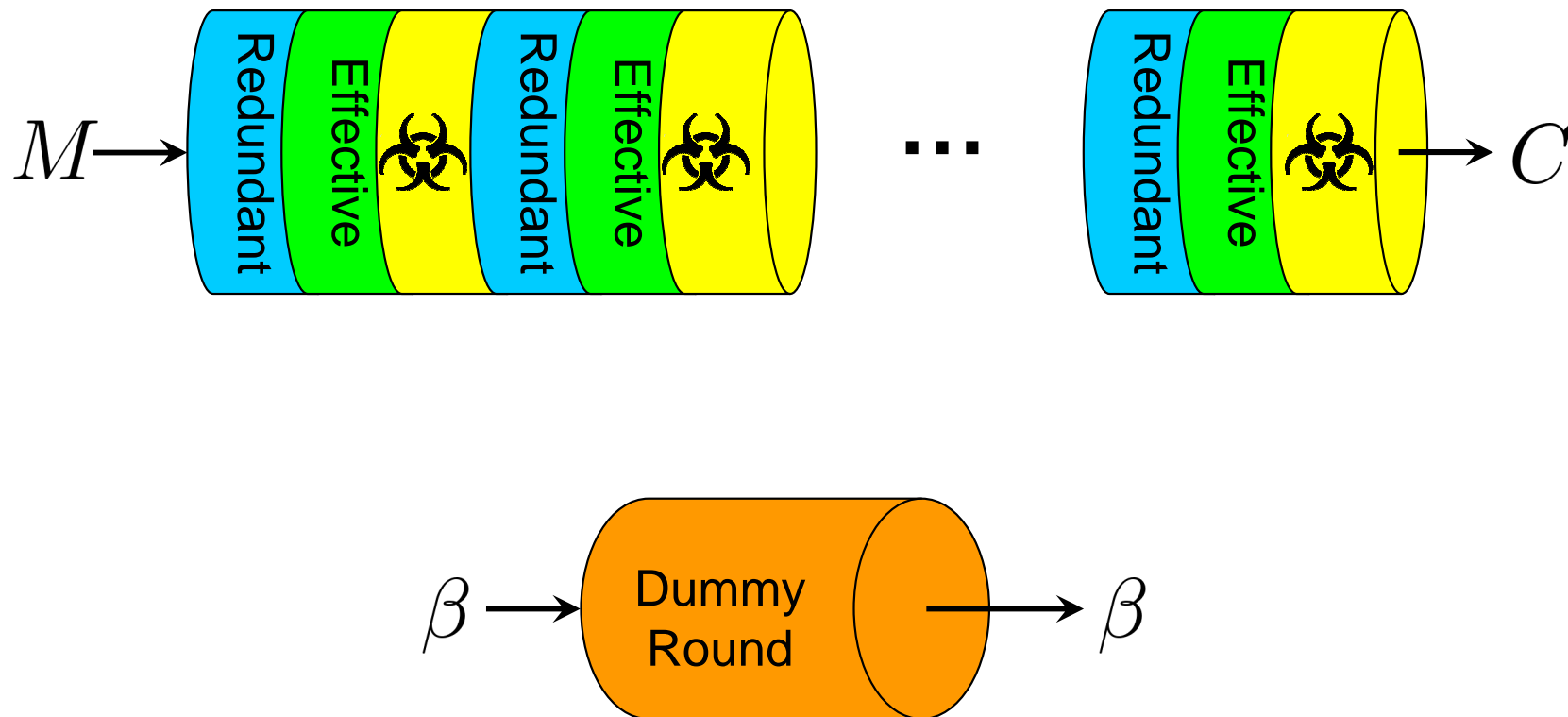
1. Inject a constant byte error during round 8 to obtain C^{bio}
2. For each byte i , remove C_i^{bio} from the list of possible values for C_i^{fz}
3. If one C_i^{fz} has more than 2 possible values, then go back to Step 1
4. Identify each C_i^{fz} since C_i 's are known
5. Apply Mukhopadhyay's attack to (C, C^{fz}) to recover the secret key

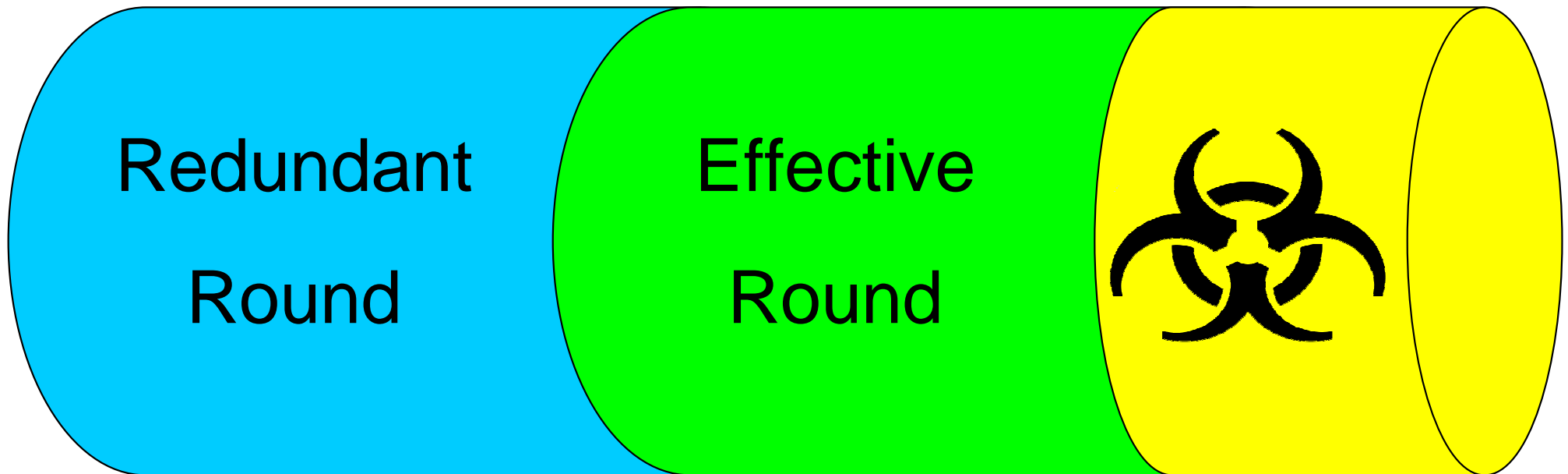


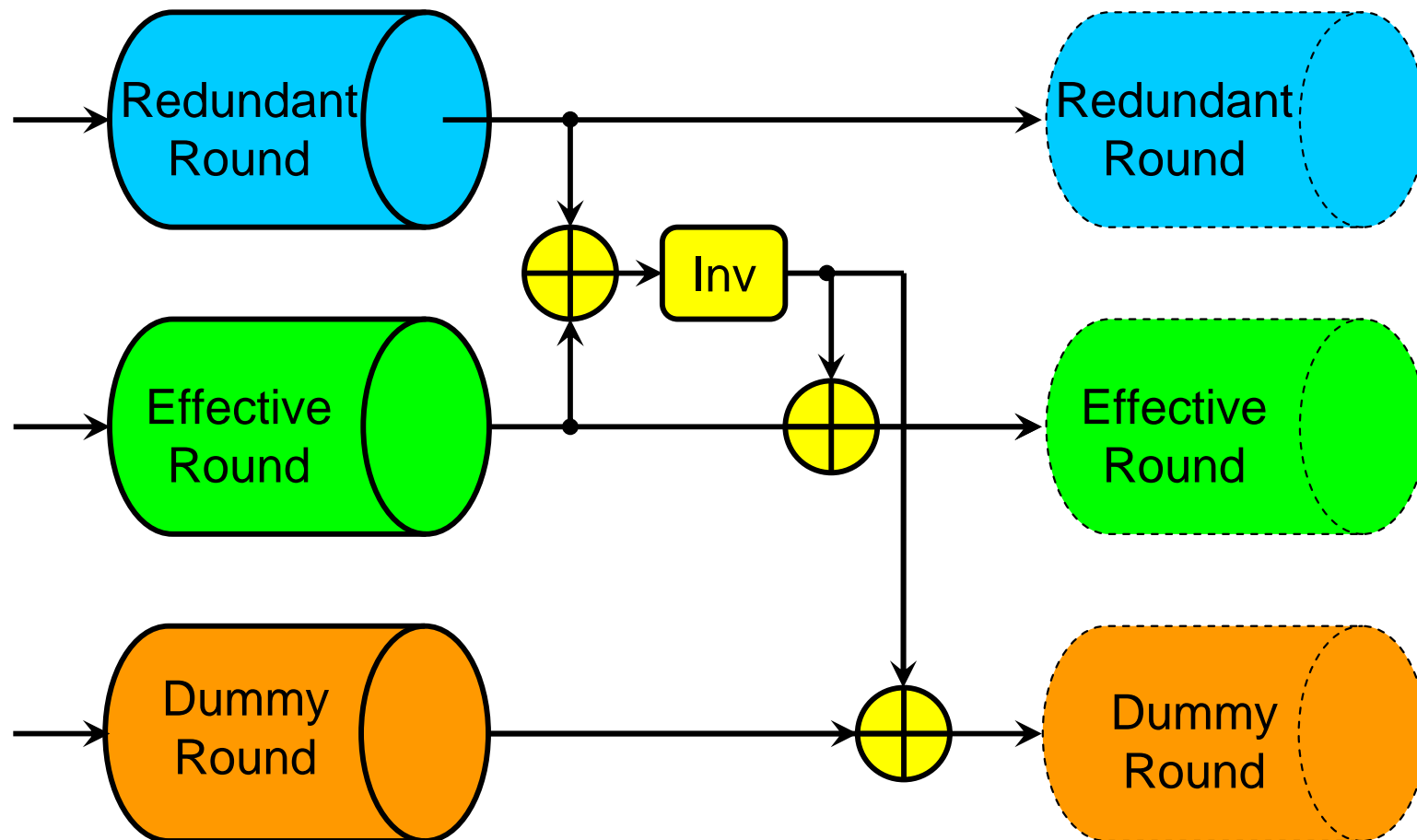
- With 3 000 C^{bio} 's, the AES key is recovered with 99% success rate

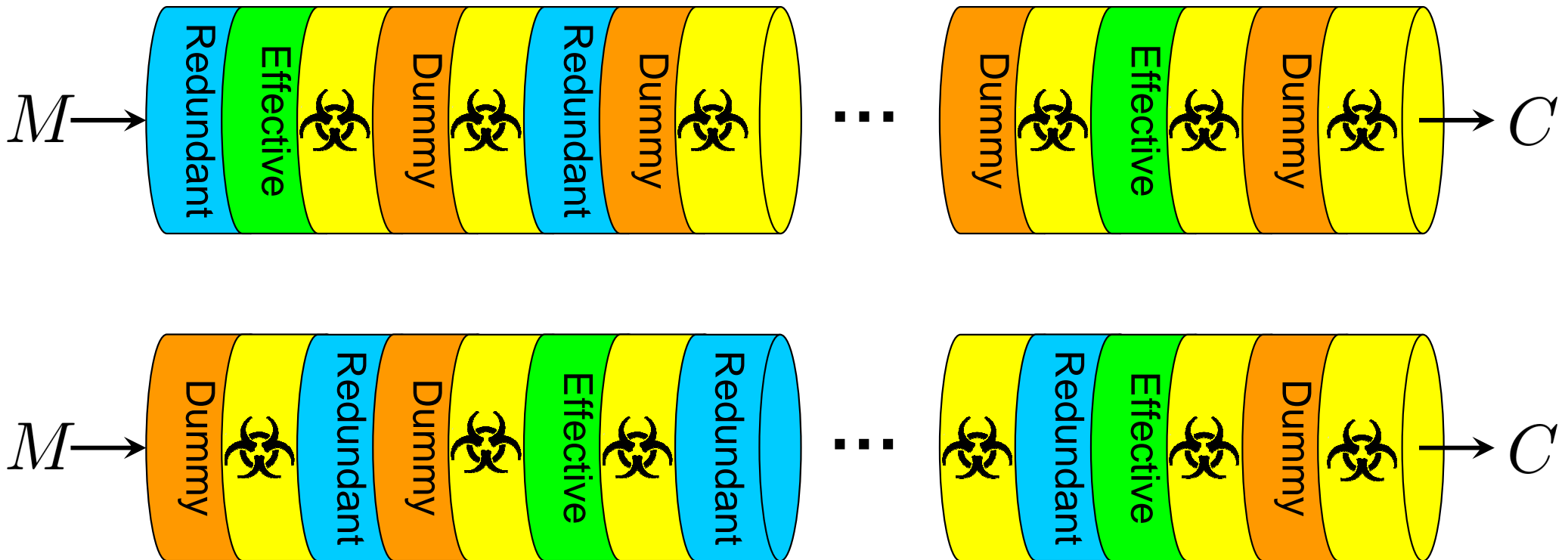
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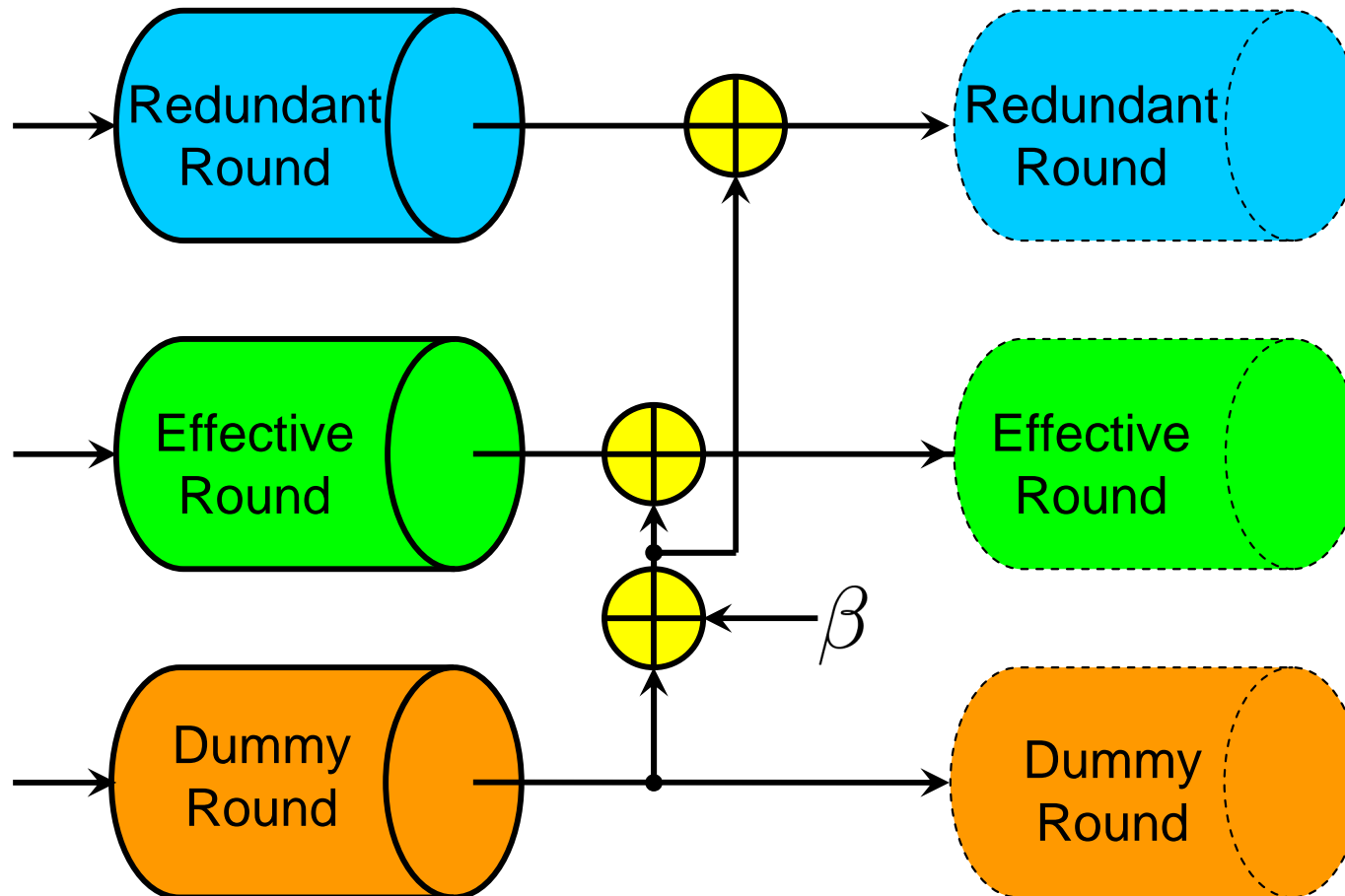


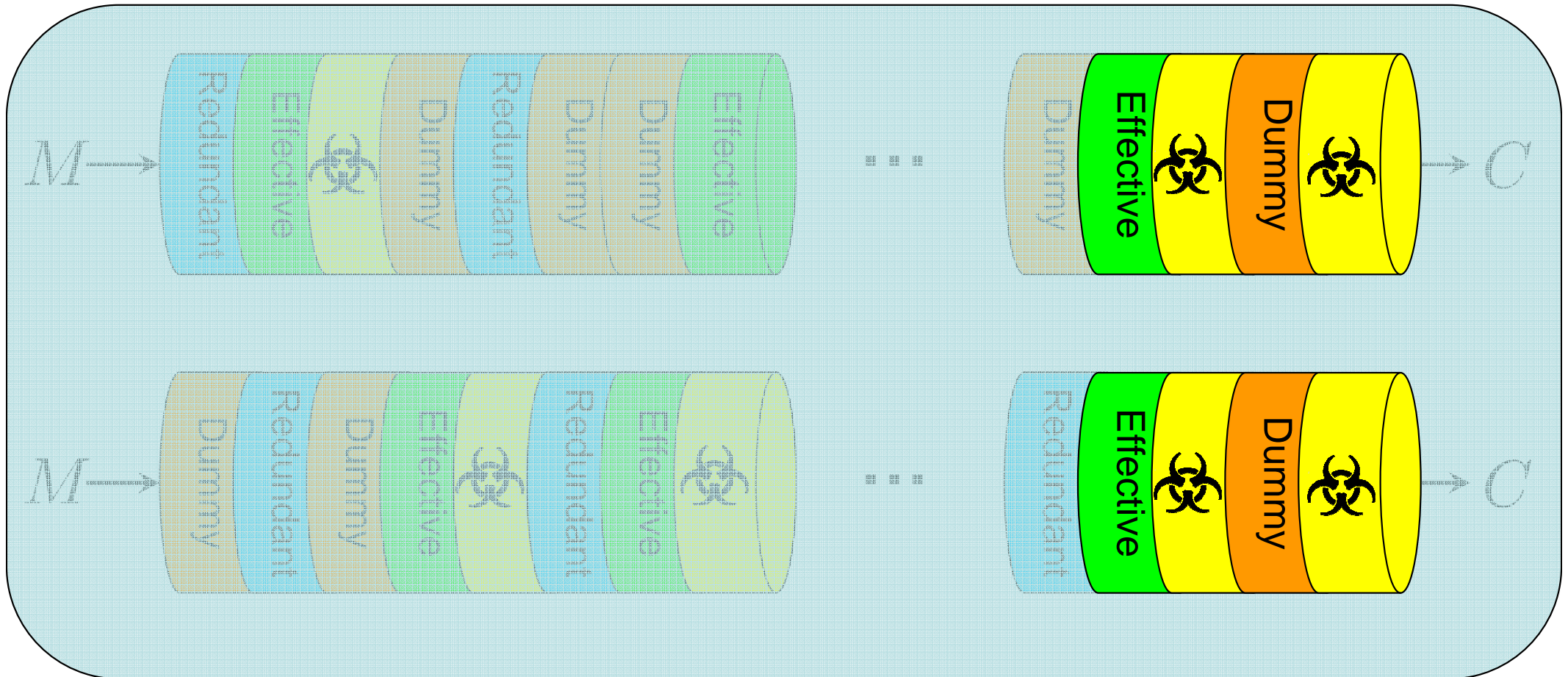




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Round





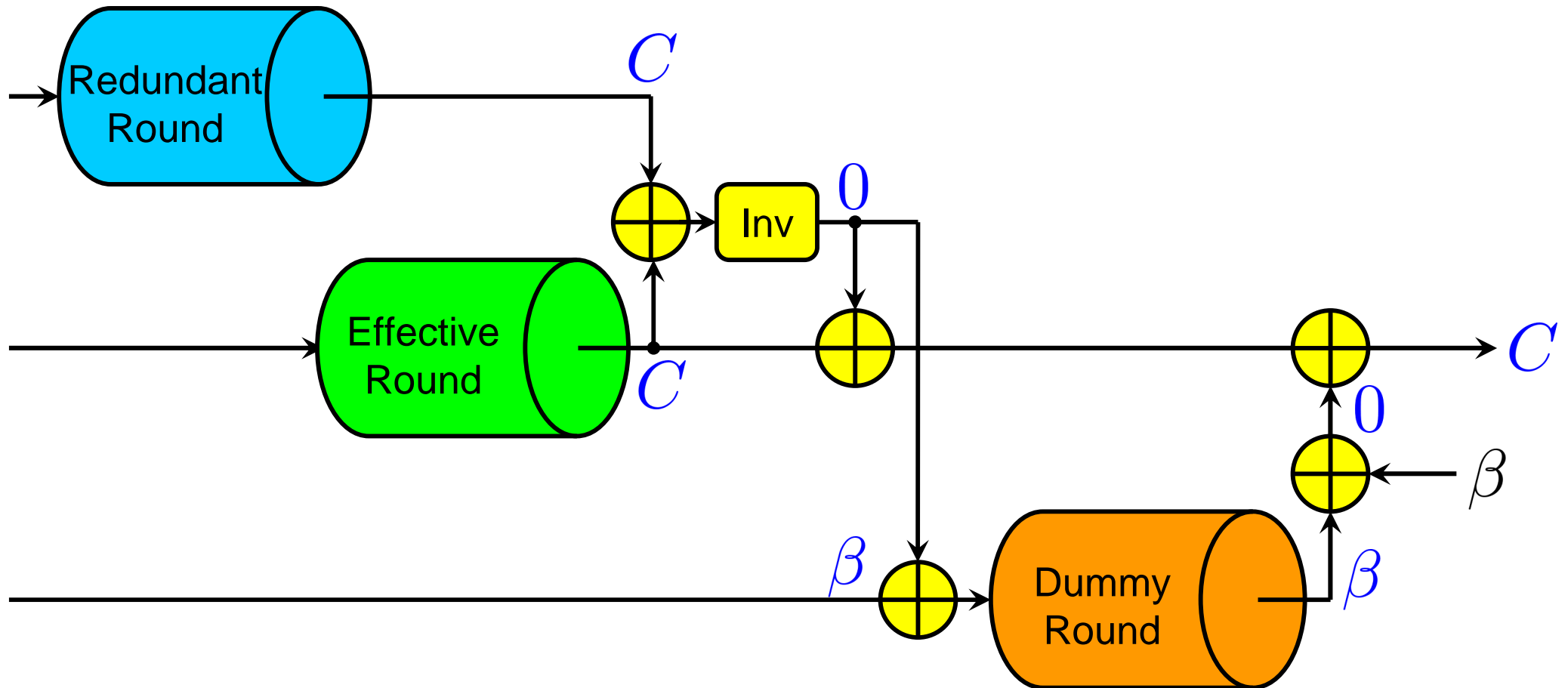


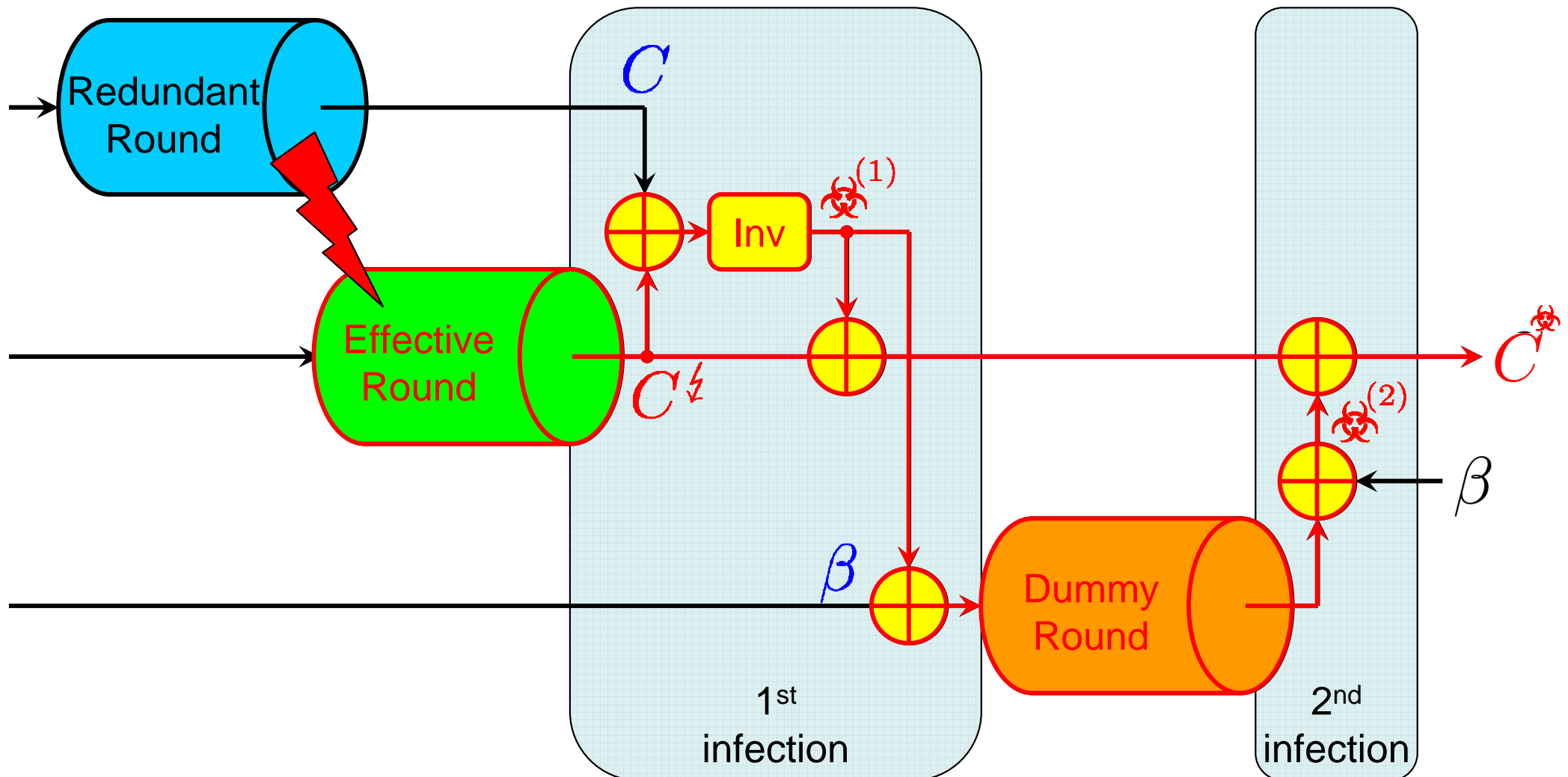
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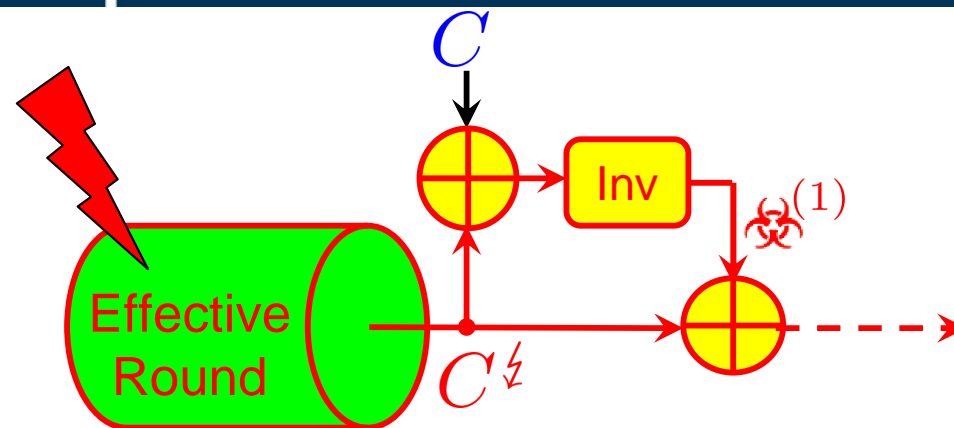


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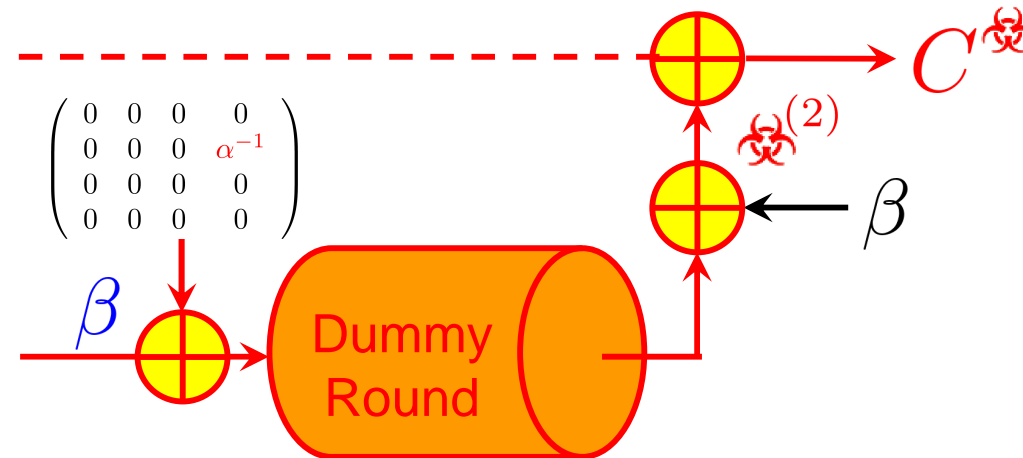


- If disturbance of a byte of the input, the differential is:



- So the first infection is equal to:

$$\text{Biohazard}^{(1)} = \text{Inv}(C \oplus C^{\frac{1}{2}}) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha^{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\text{Round} \left(\beta \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha^{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) \oplus \beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The infected output is defined by:

$$C^{\text{bio}} = C^{\text{fz}} \oplus \text{bio}^{(1)} \oplus \text{bio}^{(2)}$$

- Therefore, we have:

$$C^{\text{bio}} = C^{\text{fz}} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha^{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is equivalent to:

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- By using:

$$C^{\text{bio}} = C^{\text{f}} \oplus \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & \alpha^{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C \oplus C^{\text{f}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \alpha \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

we obtain :

$$C \oplus C^{\text{bio}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \delta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_1 & \alpha \oplus \alpha^{-1} \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \delta_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- The byte α contains information on the key but:
 - $\text{bio}^{(1)}$ does not efficiently blind this value
 - $\text{bio}^{(2)}$ has no effect due to ShiftRows transformation

- To sum up, we have:

$$C_{13} \oplus C_{13}^{\otimes} = \alpha \oplus \alpha^{-1}$$

with

$$\alpha = \text{SB}(s \oplus e) \oplus \text{SB}(s)$$

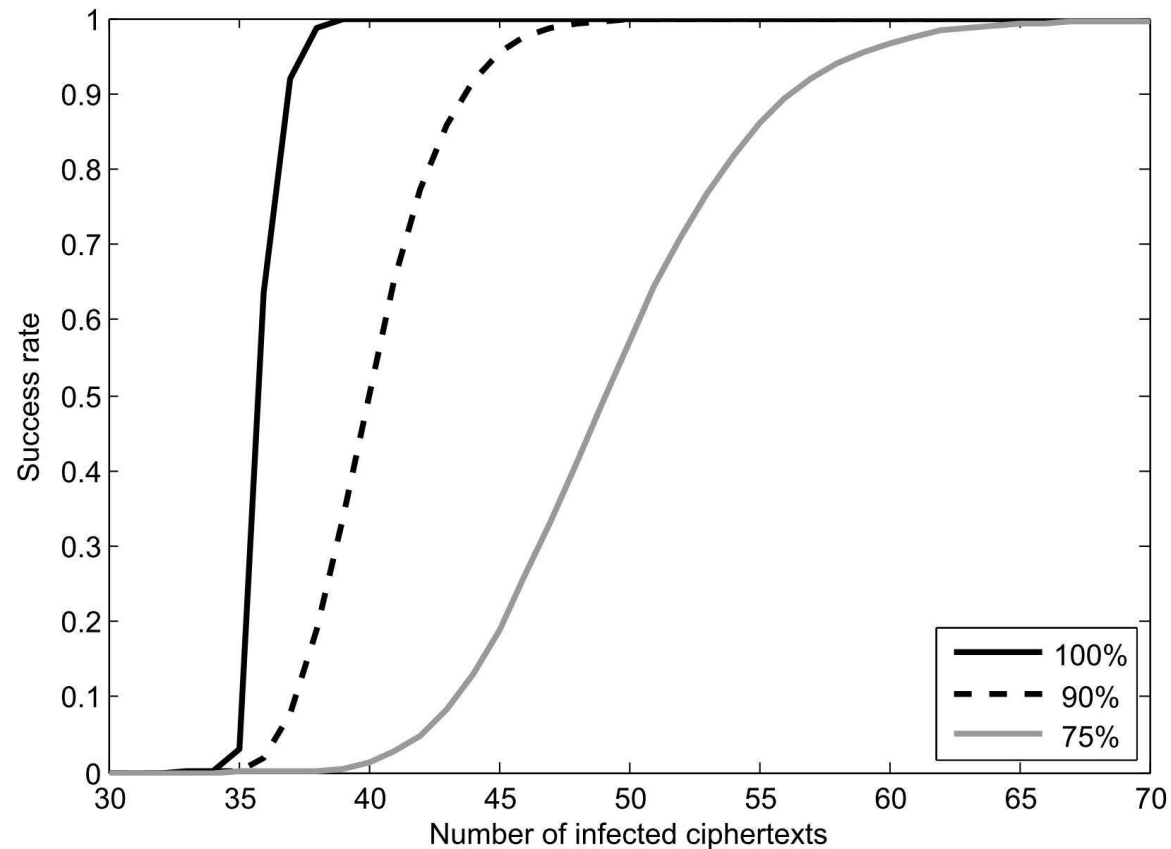
where s is the second input byte of the last effective round.

- The byte s can thus be expressed as:

$$s = \text{SB}^{-1}(C_{13} \oplus k_{13})$$

- The attack process is thus the following:

1. Guess the corresponding key byte $k_h \in \{0, \dots, 255\}$
2. Compute $s_h = \text{SB}^{-1}(C_{13} \oplus k_h)$
3. Guess the error value $e_h \in \{1, \dots, 255\}$
4. Compute $\alpha_h = \text{SB}(s_h \oplus e_h) \oplus \text{SB}(s_h)$
5. If $C_{13} \oplus C_{13}^{\otimes} \neq \alpha_h \oplus \alpha_h^{-1}$ then discard (k_h, e_h)



- With 37 C^{red} 's, the last three rows of the AES key are recovered with 99% success rate

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- The two existing symmetric infective countermeasures are flawed
- Easy to patch but a framework is missing to formally prove countermeasures' security
- After 10 years of research in infective countermeasures, no original proposal has survived...

Do infective countermeasures have a future?

Any Questions?