

# Fully Homomorphic Encryption

*An overview of techniques and applications*

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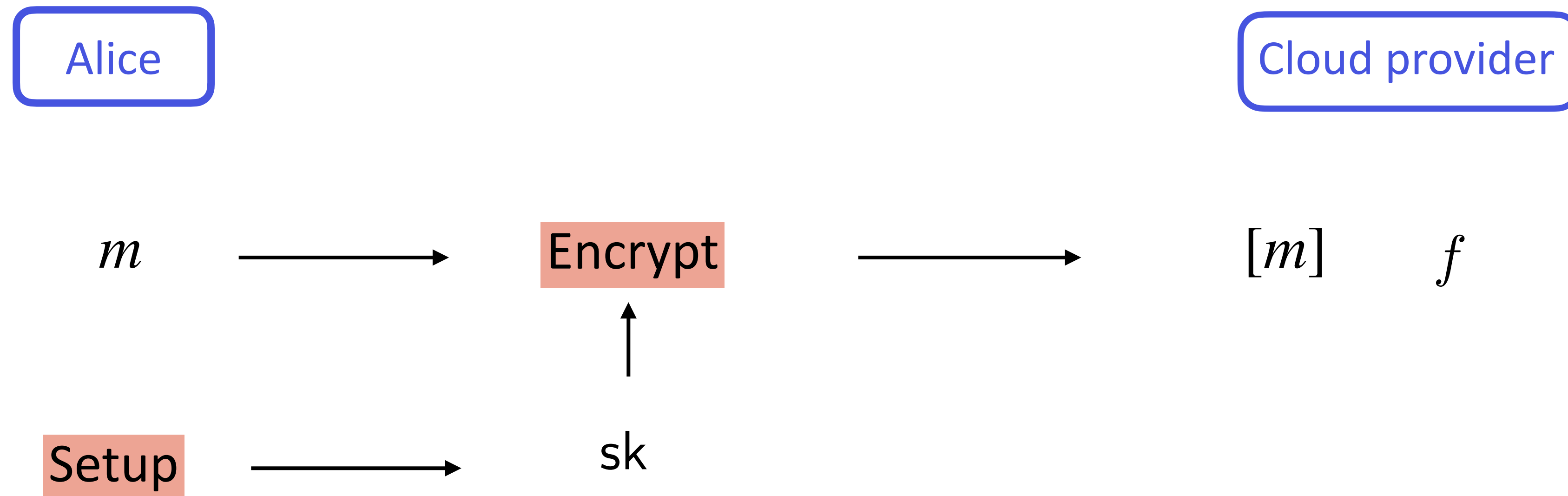
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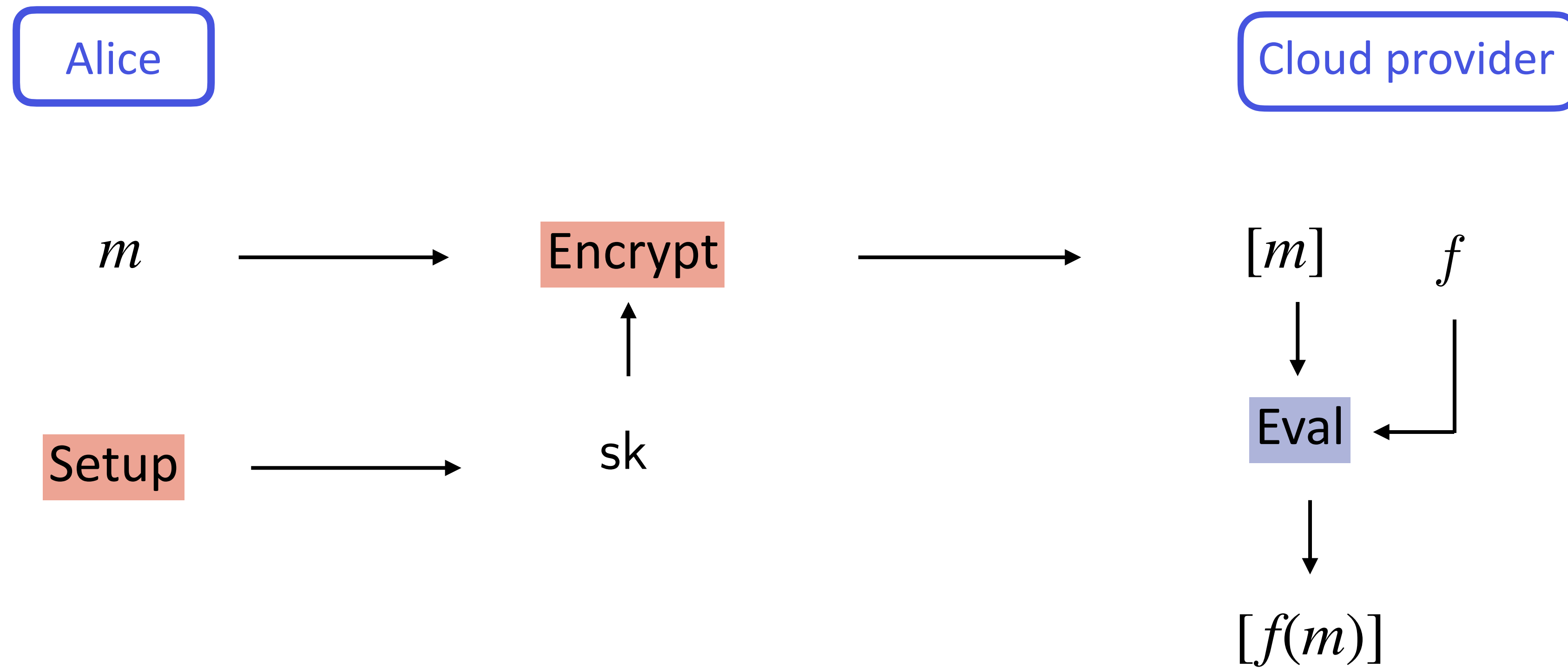


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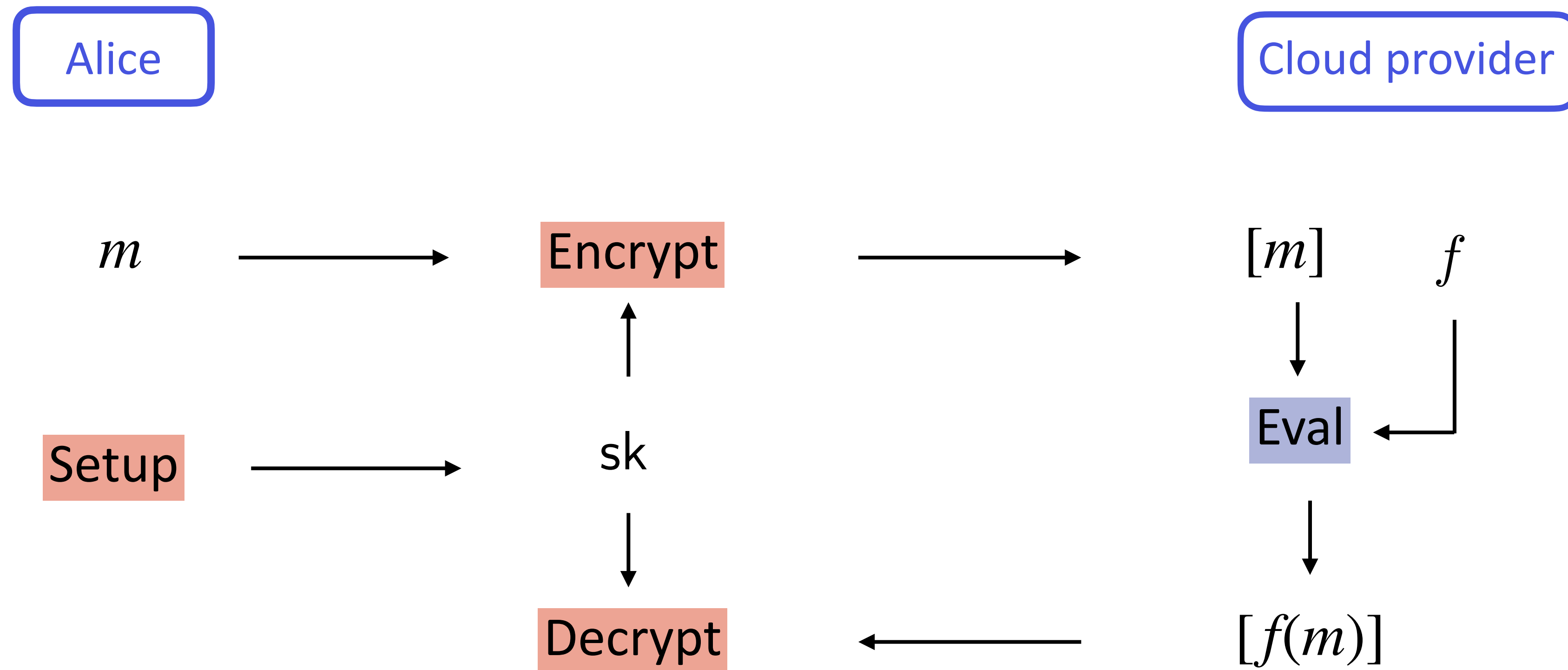
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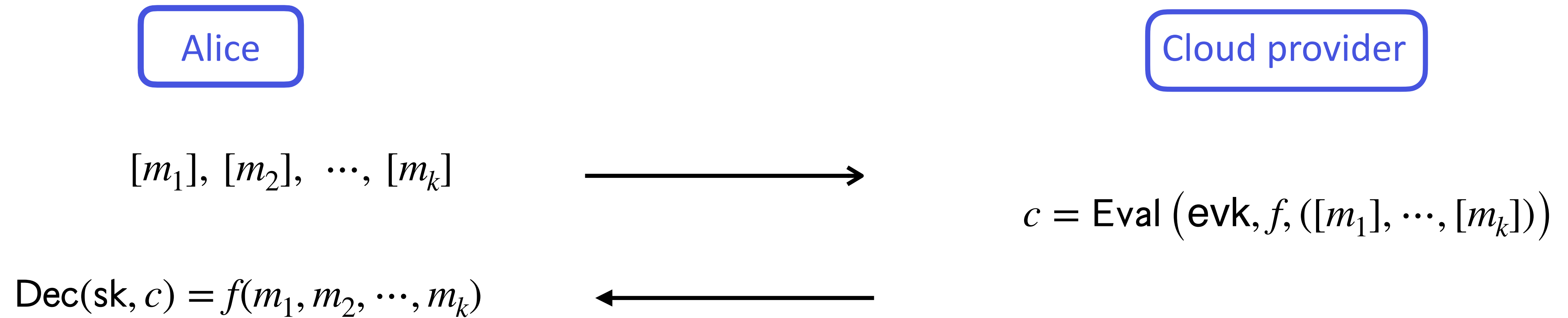
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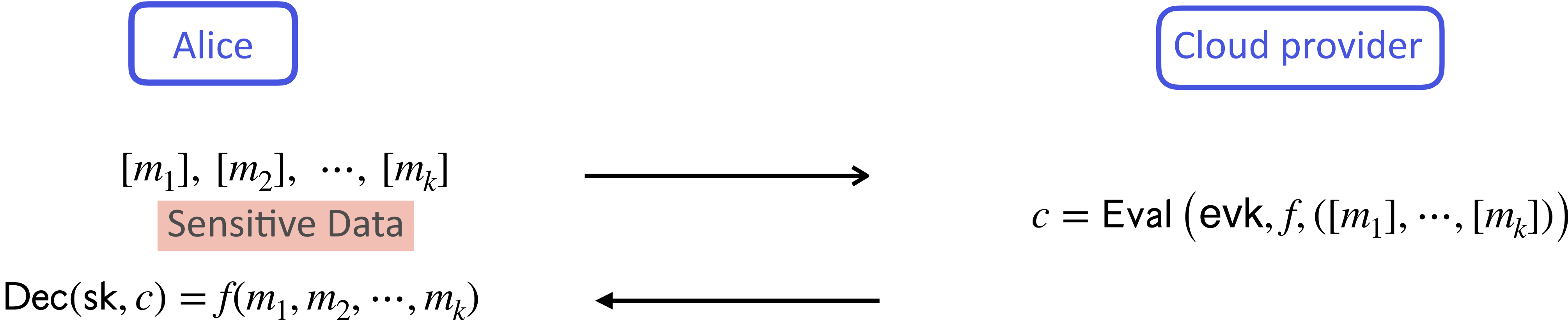


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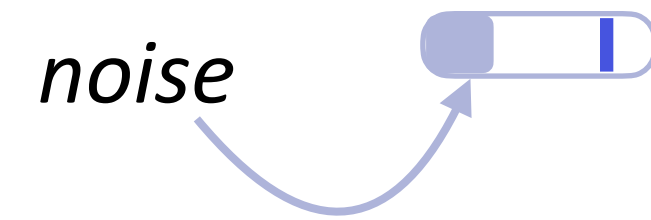
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- Financial Risk Prevention
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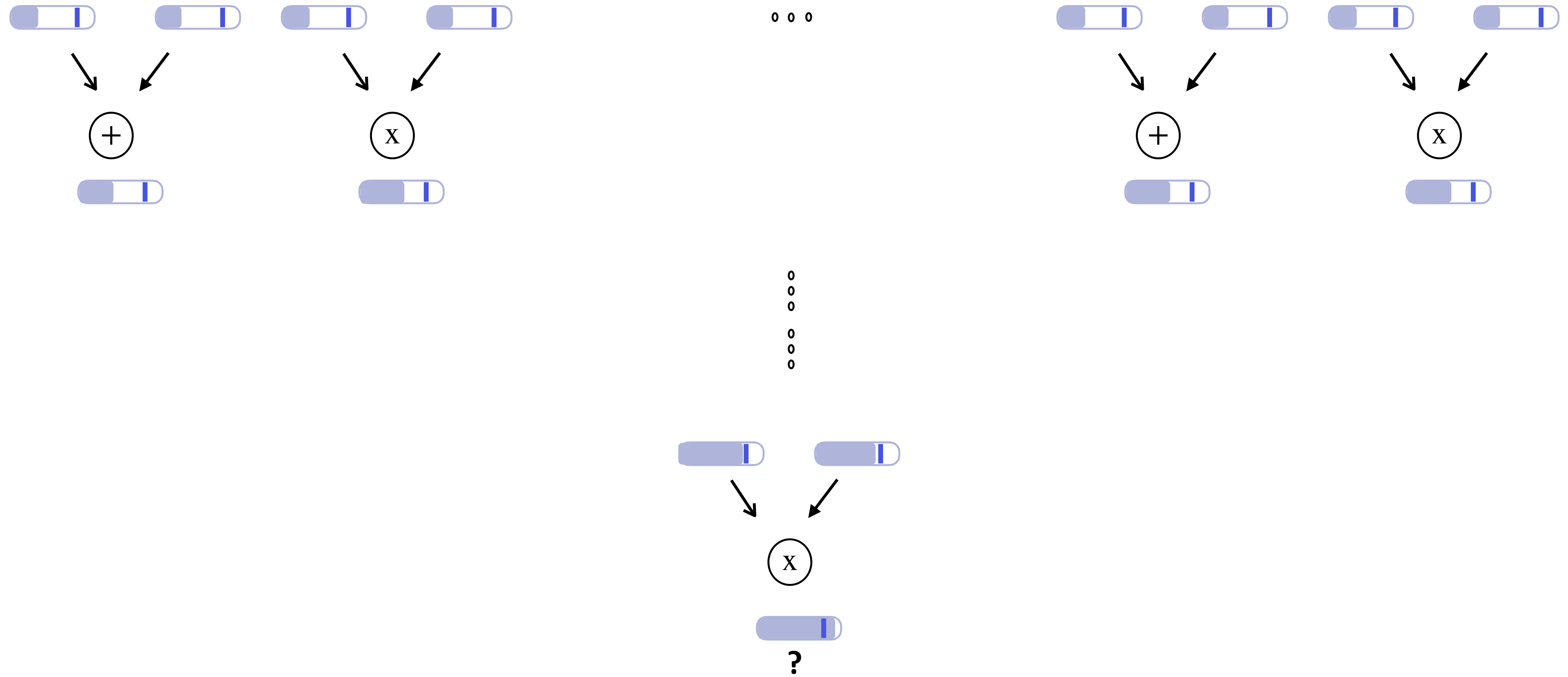
# Outline

- Definitions
- FHE (noisy) ciphertexts
- Homomorphic Evaluation Paradigms
- Homomorphic Heatmap computation

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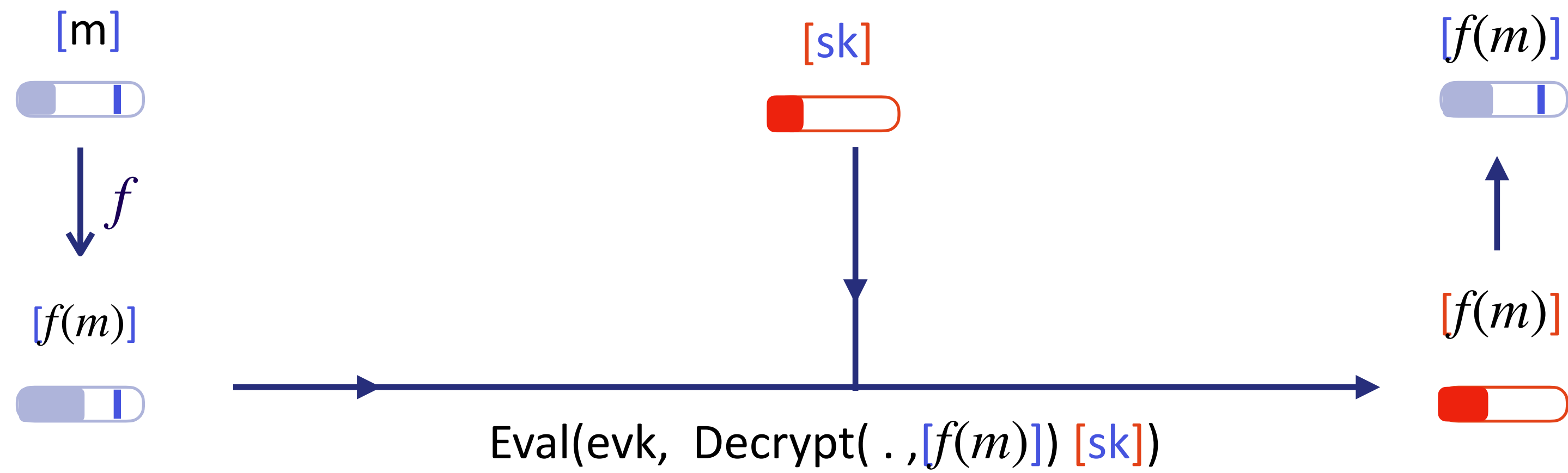
## Level Mode

- Circuit depth  $d$  known in advance
- Parameters are set relatively to  $d$
- Bounded number of operations

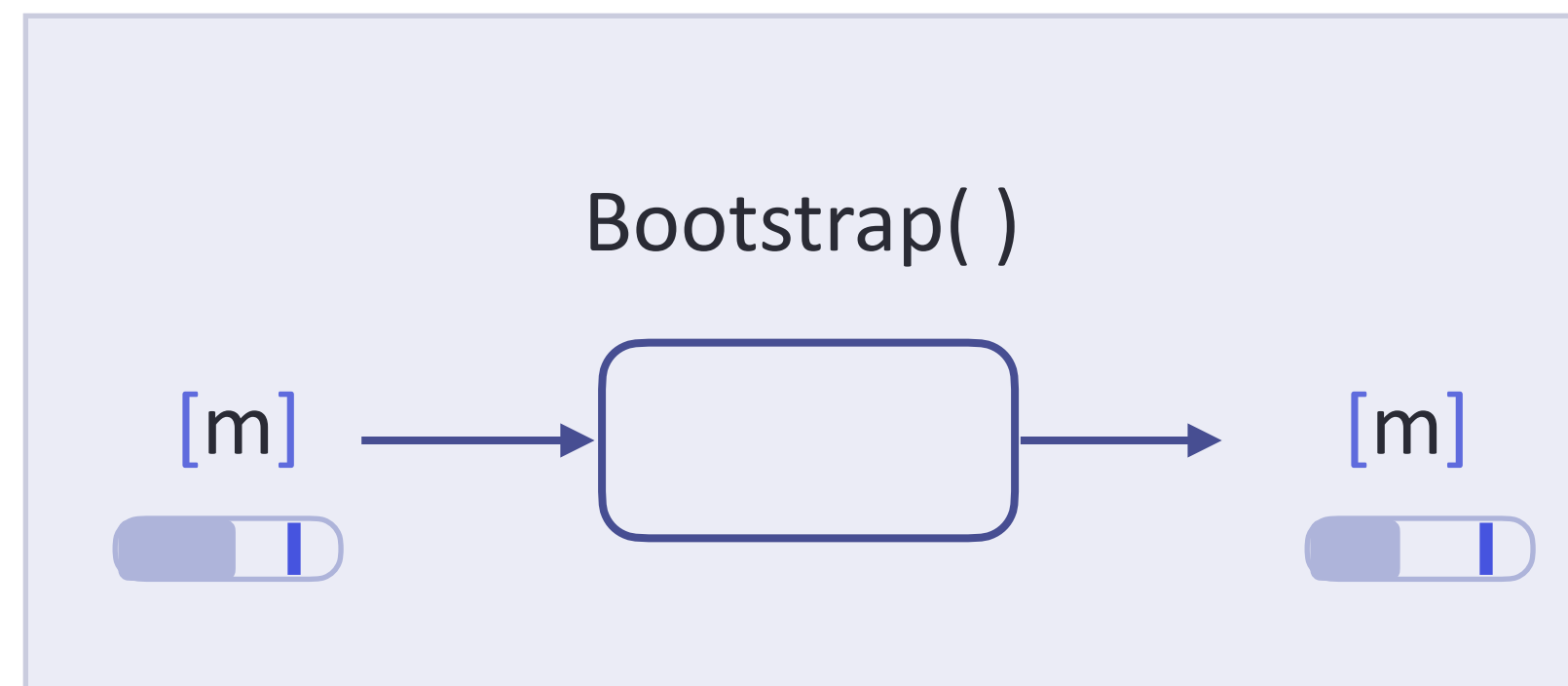
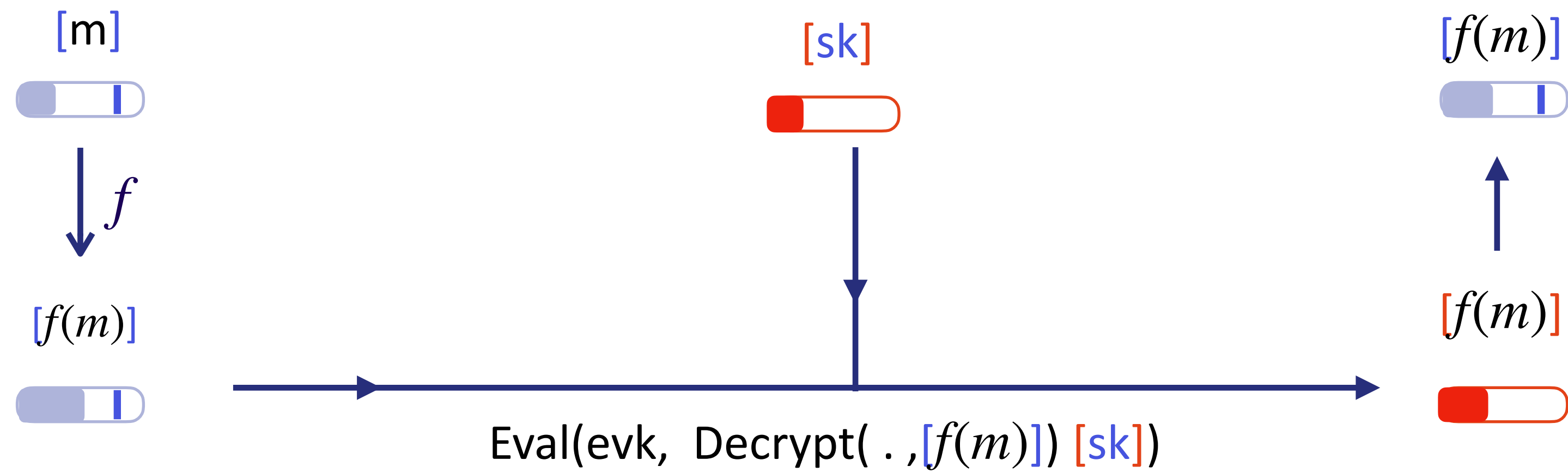
## Bootstrapped Mode

- Depth circuit can be set dynamically
- Unlimited depth
- Flexibility: bootstrap (set of) gate(s) by gate.

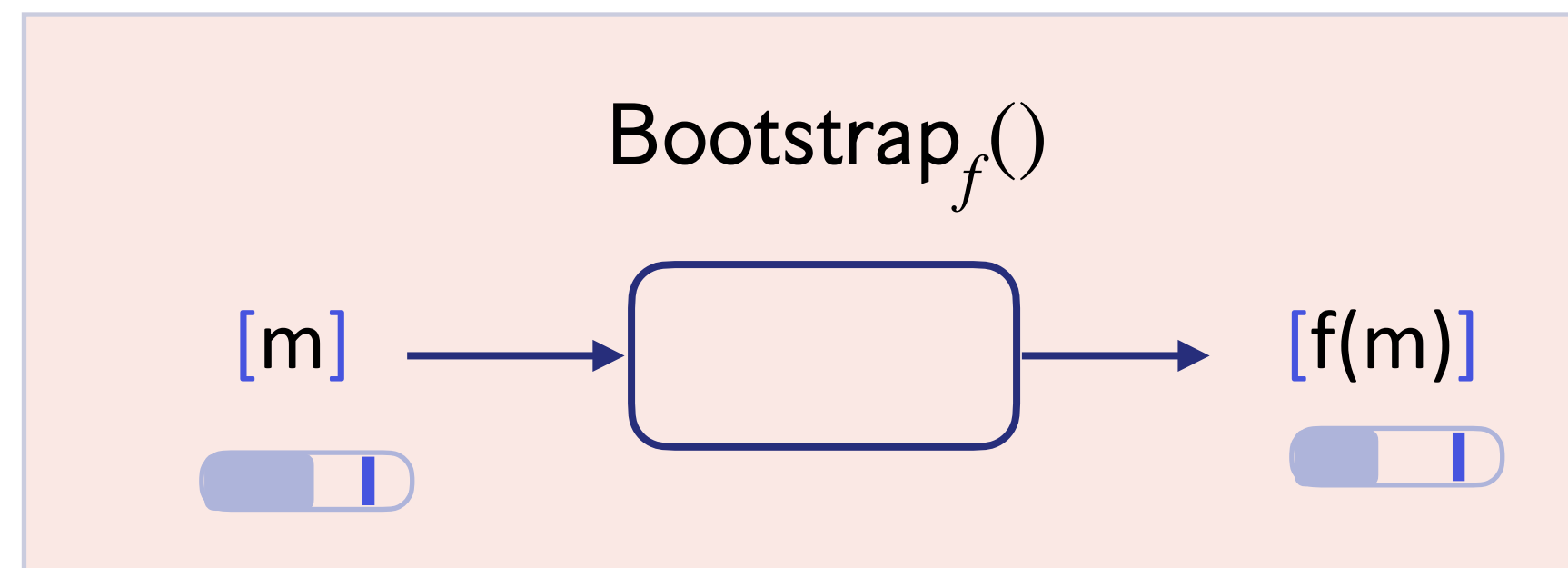
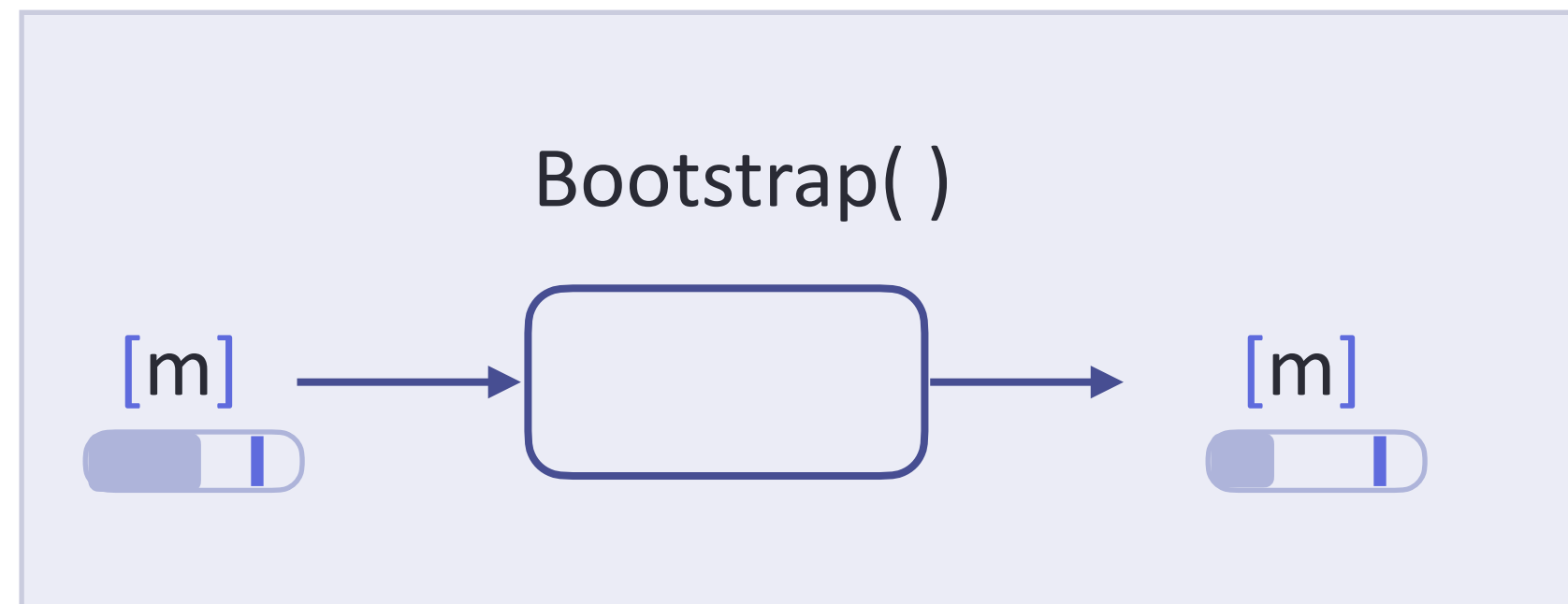
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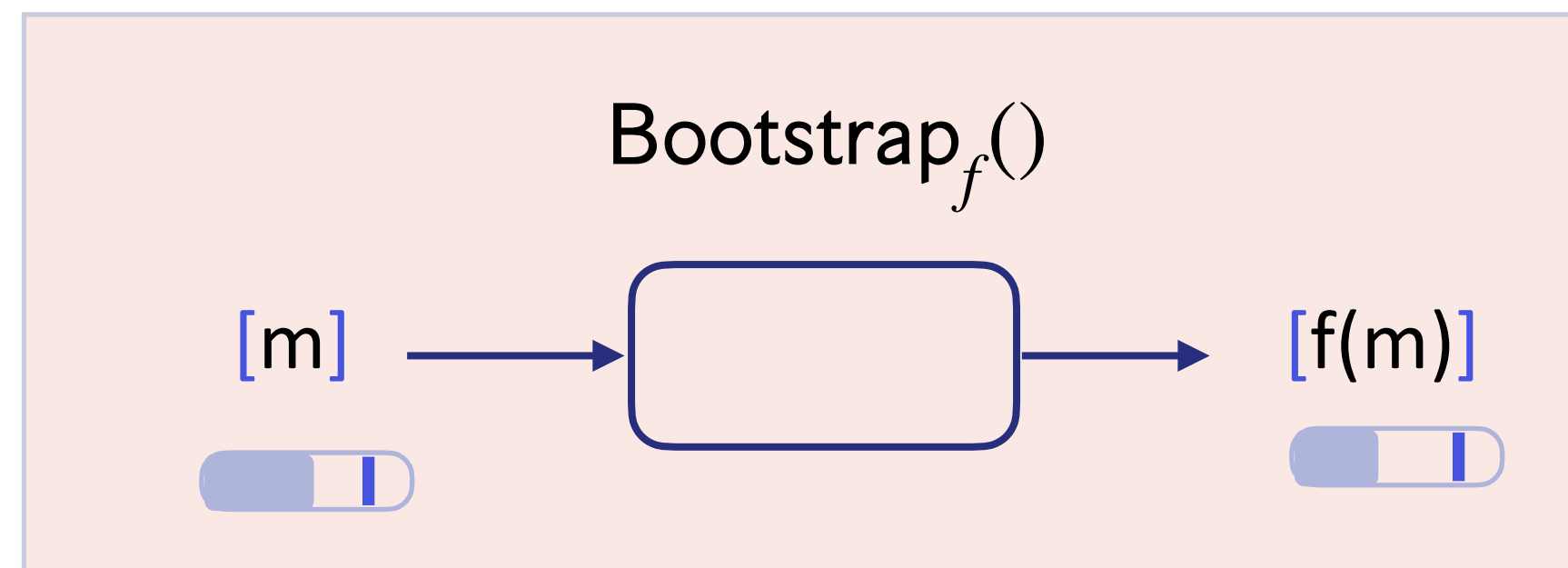
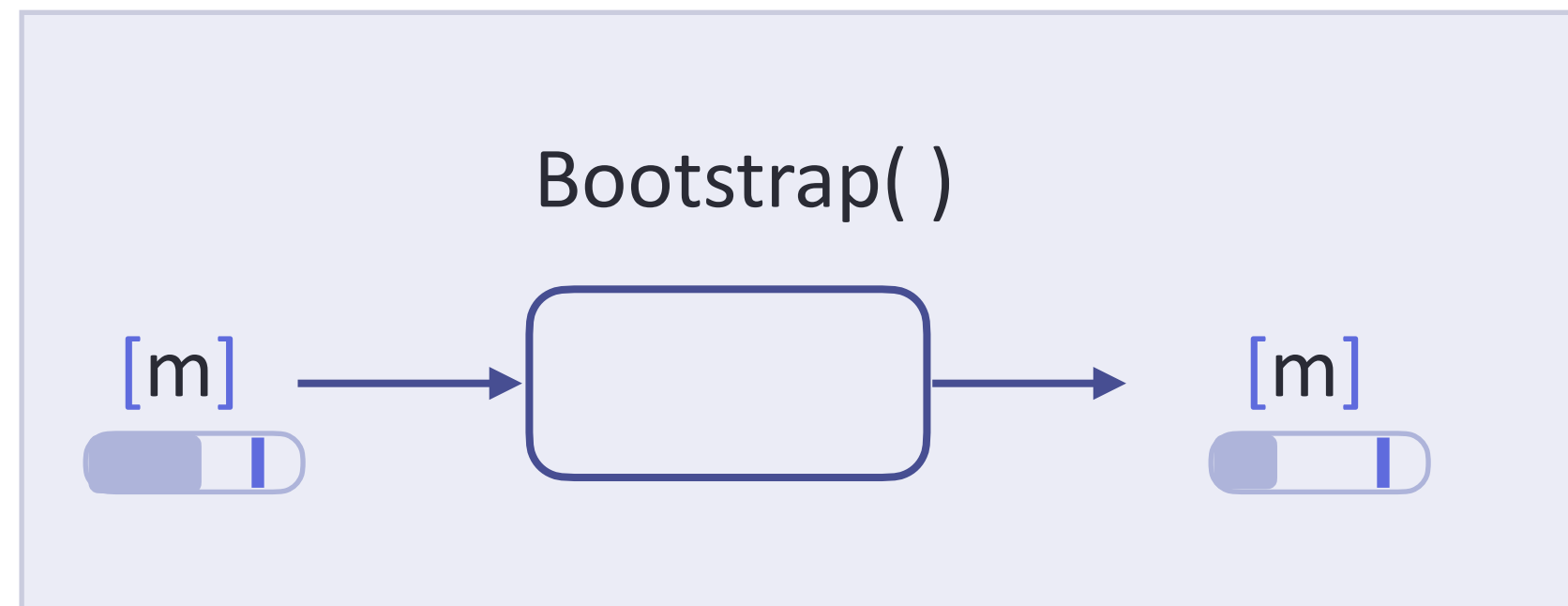
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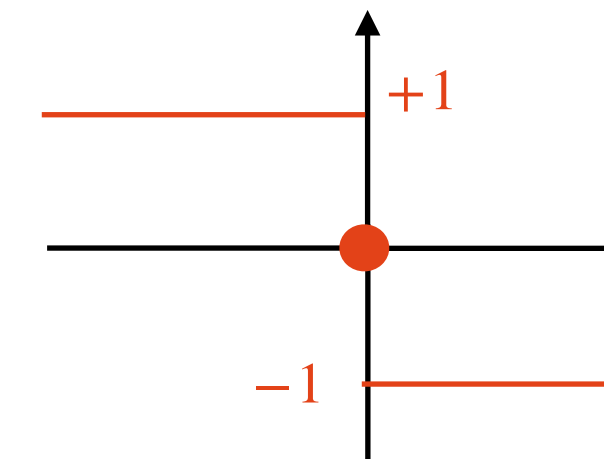
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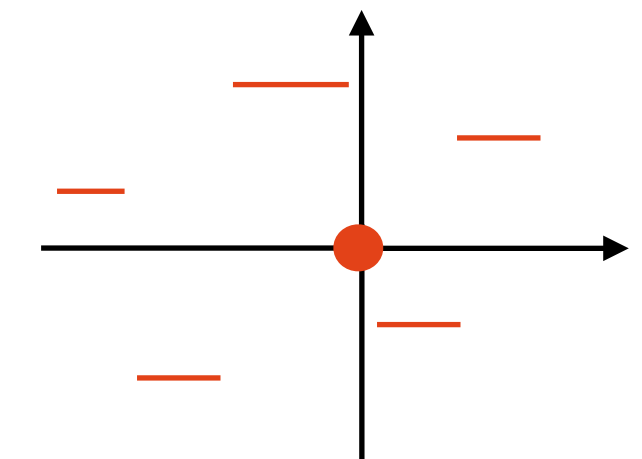
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sign function



step function



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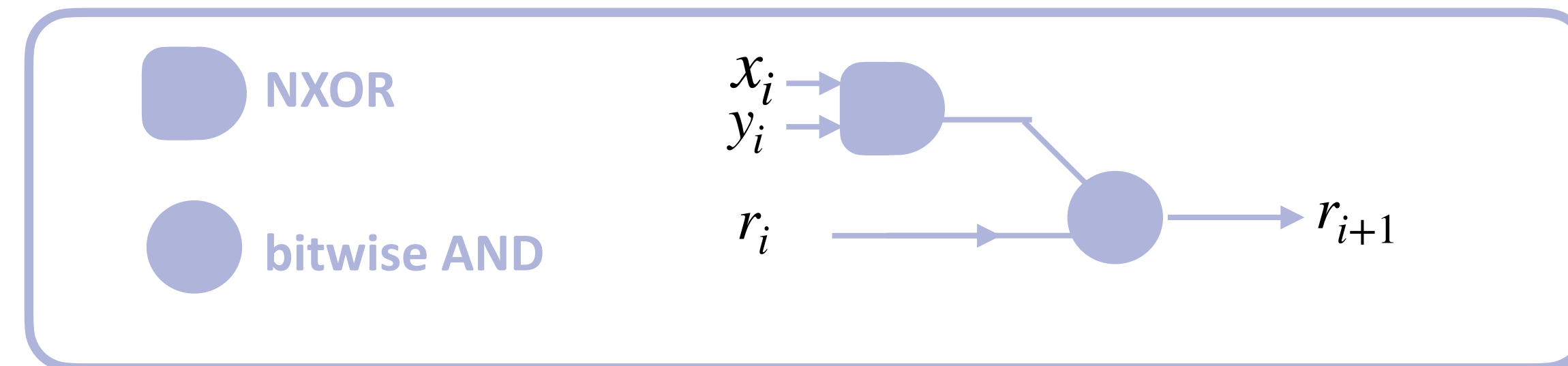
# Homomorphic Evaluation Paradigm

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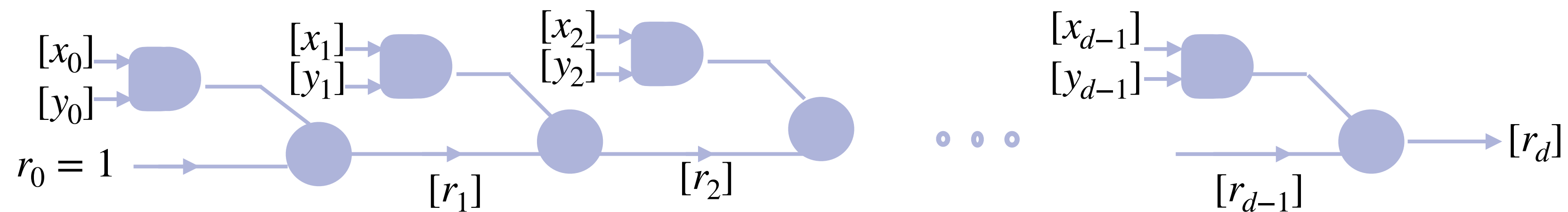
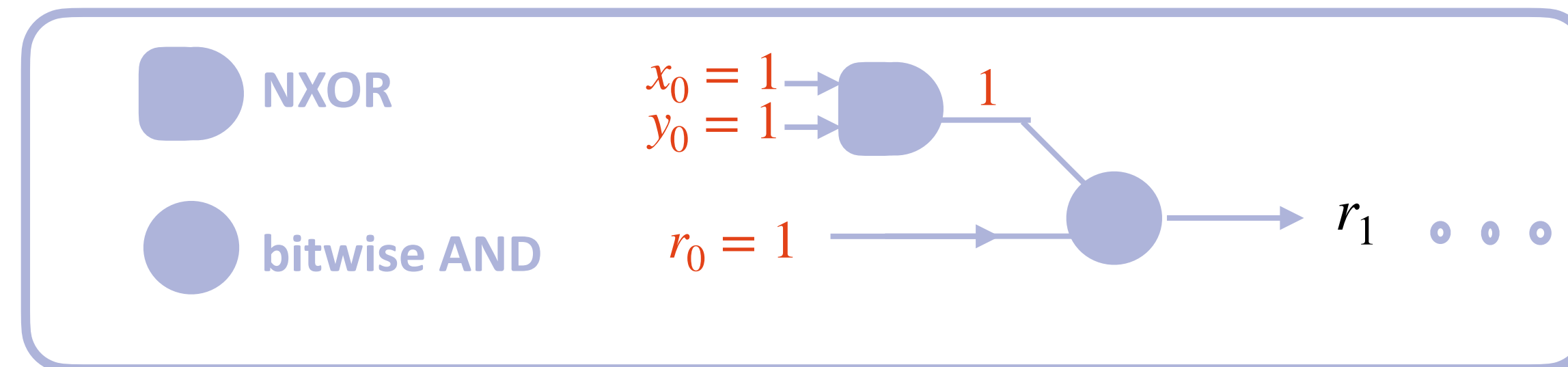
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$x = 110$   
 $y = 111$   
 $r_0 = 1$



# Example: homomorphic equality test (2/2)

hom. equality test over  $\mathbb{F}_p$

input:  $[x]$  and  $[y]$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{F}_p$

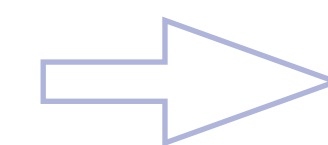
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Fermat's Little Theorem, compute  $1 - (x - y)^{p-1}$  over  $\mathbb{F}_p$

hom. equality test over  $\mathbb{Z}_q$

input:  $[x]$  and  $[y]$ ,  $x, y \in \{0, \dots, B\} \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_q$

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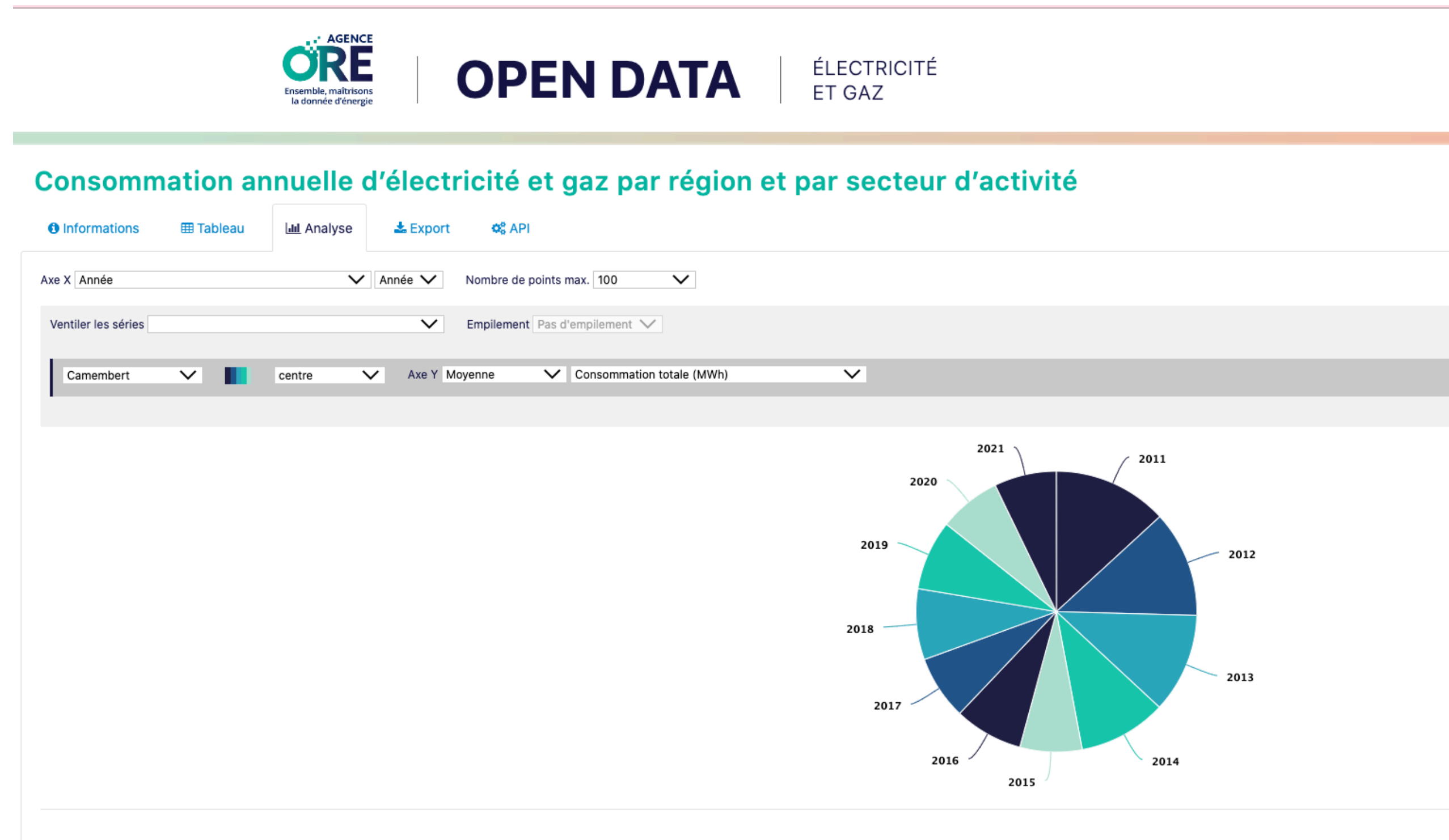
$f: \{-B, \dots, B\} \mapsto \{0, 1\}$

$x - y \rightarrow$   
0 if  $x - y \neq 0$   
1 if  $x - y = 0$

Bootstrap<sub>f</sub>() with appropriate  $T_f(X)$

# Homomorphic Heatmap computation

# Heatmap: example



## Consommation annuelle d'électricité et gaz par région et par secteur d'activité

Agence ORE & Gestionnaires de réseaux électricité et gaz  
Data from <https://opendata.agenceore.fr/>  
Dernière modification, 3 novembre 2022

# Description of the problem

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- Server: a list  $[x_i], [y_i]$  (latitude, longitude)

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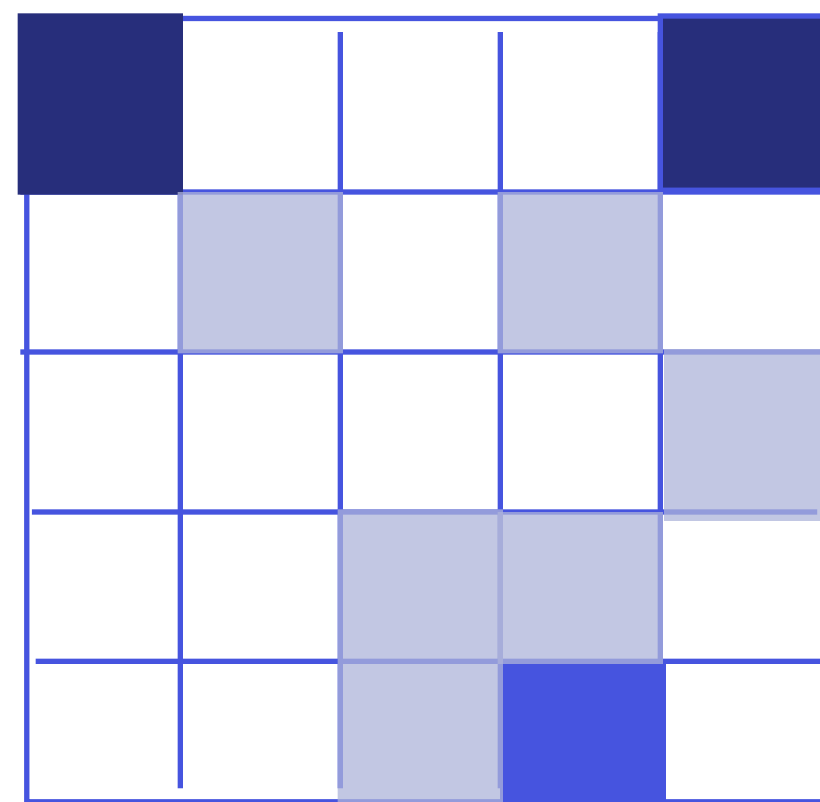
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# A possible solution: homomorphic comparison

$f(x_i, y_i) : \{ [23], [5], [5], [7], [1], [18], [9], [19], [15], [1], [5], [24], [24], [1] \}$

$\stackrel{?}{=} 1$   
 $\stackrel{?}{=} 2$   
 $\emptyset$   
 $\stackrel{?}{=} 23$   
 $\stackrel{?}{=} 24$   
 $\stackrel{?}{=} 25$

?	?	?	?	
		✓		

1	2	3	4																			23	24	25	
[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]	[0]

*Table of the frequencies*



# Encoding in the exponent

$$f(x_i, y_i) : \{[23], [5], [5], [7], [18], [9], [19], [15], [1], [5], [24], [24], [1]\}$$

$$X^{f(x_i, y_i)} : \{[X^{23}], [X^5], [X^5], [X^7], [X^{18}], [X^9], [X^{19}], [X^{15}], [X^1], [X^5], [X^{24}], [X^{24}], [X^1]\}$$

Adding the components (the first three ones):

$$[X^{23}] + [X^5] + [X^{23}] \longrightarrow [2X^{23} + X^5]$$

# Full domain solution

- Start with  $[X^{x_i}]$
- Retrieve all the bits of  $[f(x_i)]$ :  $[f(x_i)_0], \dots, [f(x_i)_{\ell-1}]$
- Homomorphically compute  $[X^{f(x_i)_0 \cdot 2^0}], \dots, [X^{f(x_i)_{\ell-1} \cdot 2^{\ell-1}}]$
- Get  $[X^{f(x_i)_0 \cdot 2^0} + \dots + X^{f(x_i)_{\ell-1} \cdot 2^{\ell-1}}] \longrightarrow [X^{f(x_i)}]$

Testvector polynomial

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Homomorphic  
Multiplication

Polynomials are modulo  $X^N + 1$

$$N \geq \max(|\text{dom}(f)|, |\text{img}(f)|)$$

Split Domain Method

$$N \approx |\text{img}(f)|$$

# Benchmarks for Heatmap computation

$$N \geq \max(|\text{dom}(f)|, |\text{img}(f)|)$$

$$N = 2^{12}$$

$$N = x_{\max}$$

$x_{\max}$ and $y_{\max}$	$b$ and $h$	Full domain	Split domain
$2^{10}$	$2^6$	0.174 s	0.507 s
$2^{11}$	$2^7$	0.174 s	0.507 s
$2^{12}$	$2^8$	0.174 s	0.512 s
$2^{13}$	$2^9$	0.394 s	0.568 s
$2^{14}$	$2^9$	1.0617 s	0.635 s
$2^{15}$	$2^9$	2.832 s	0.820 s

*Timing to process a point  $(x_i, y_i)$  for different heatmap instances.*

joint work with Ilia Iliashenko, Alex Mertens and Hilder V. L. Pereira  
<https://github.com/KULeuven-COSIC/Homomorphic-Heatmap>

# Conclusion

- Powerful paradigms to compute over encrypted data;
- Combined approaches (Levelled and/or Bootstrapped modes);
- Reasonable performance in many scenarios ...
- .. and very efficient tailor-made solution in some cases;
- Scaling with large datasets remains challenging;
- Good representational choice can make a huge difference.

**Thank you**

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