

# POST-QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY: A NEW CYBERSECURITY ERA

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# SECURE CONNECTIONS FOR A SMARTER WORLD

OUR DIGITALLY ENHANCED WORLD IS EVOLVING TO ANTICIPATE AND AUTOMATE

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## NXP and German Aerospace Center DLR Collaborate on Quantum Computing Technologies in Germany

October 27, 2022 8:32 AM EDT (UTC-4) by NXP Semiconductors

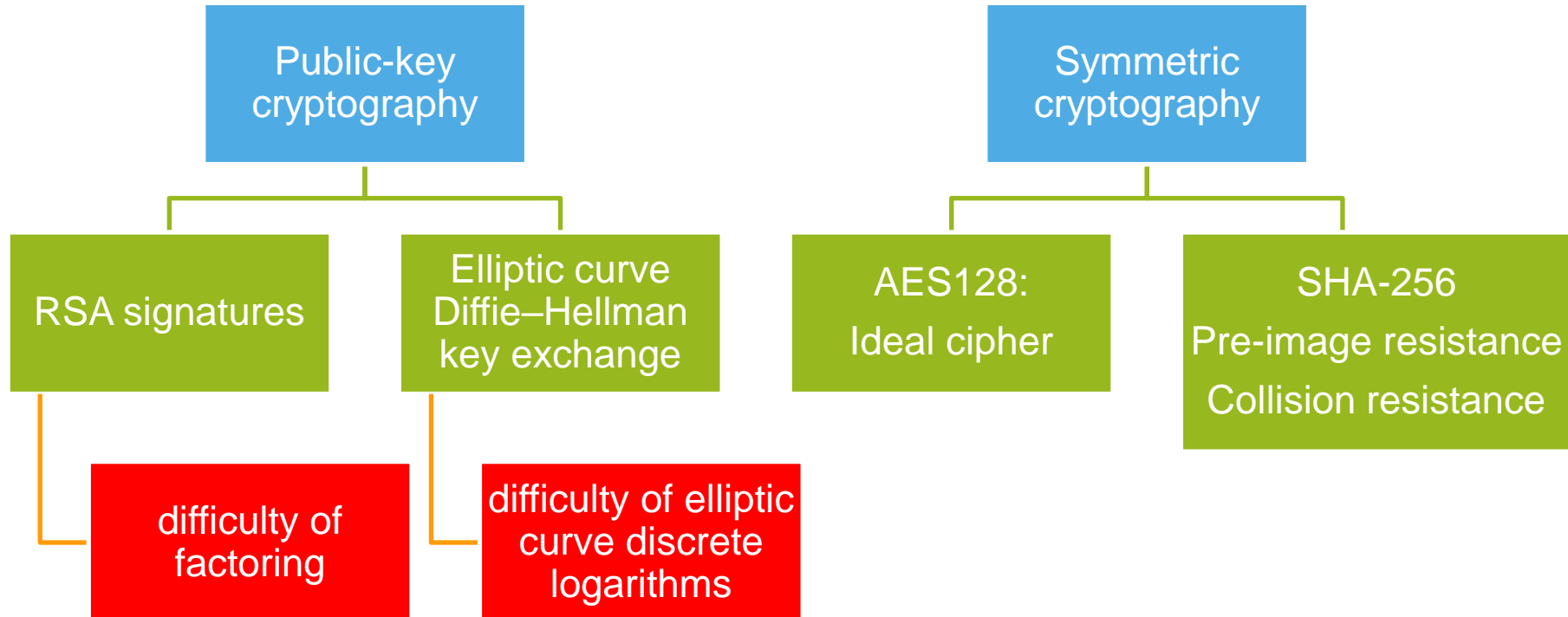
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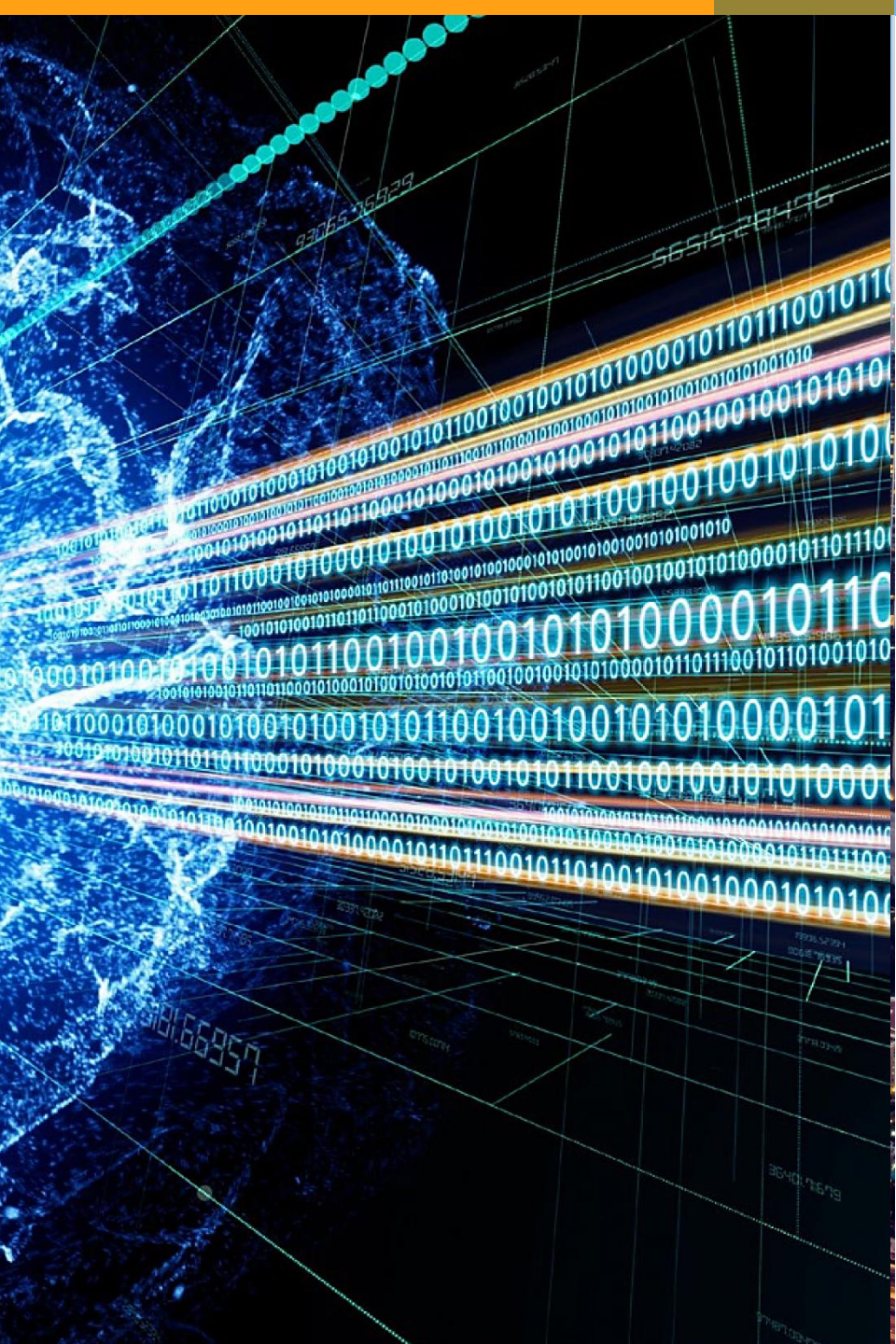
COMMUNICATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE



# CONTEMPORARY CRYPTOGRAPHY

## TLS - ECDHE - RSA - AES128 - GCM - SHA256





# ADVANCES IN QUANTUM COMPUTING

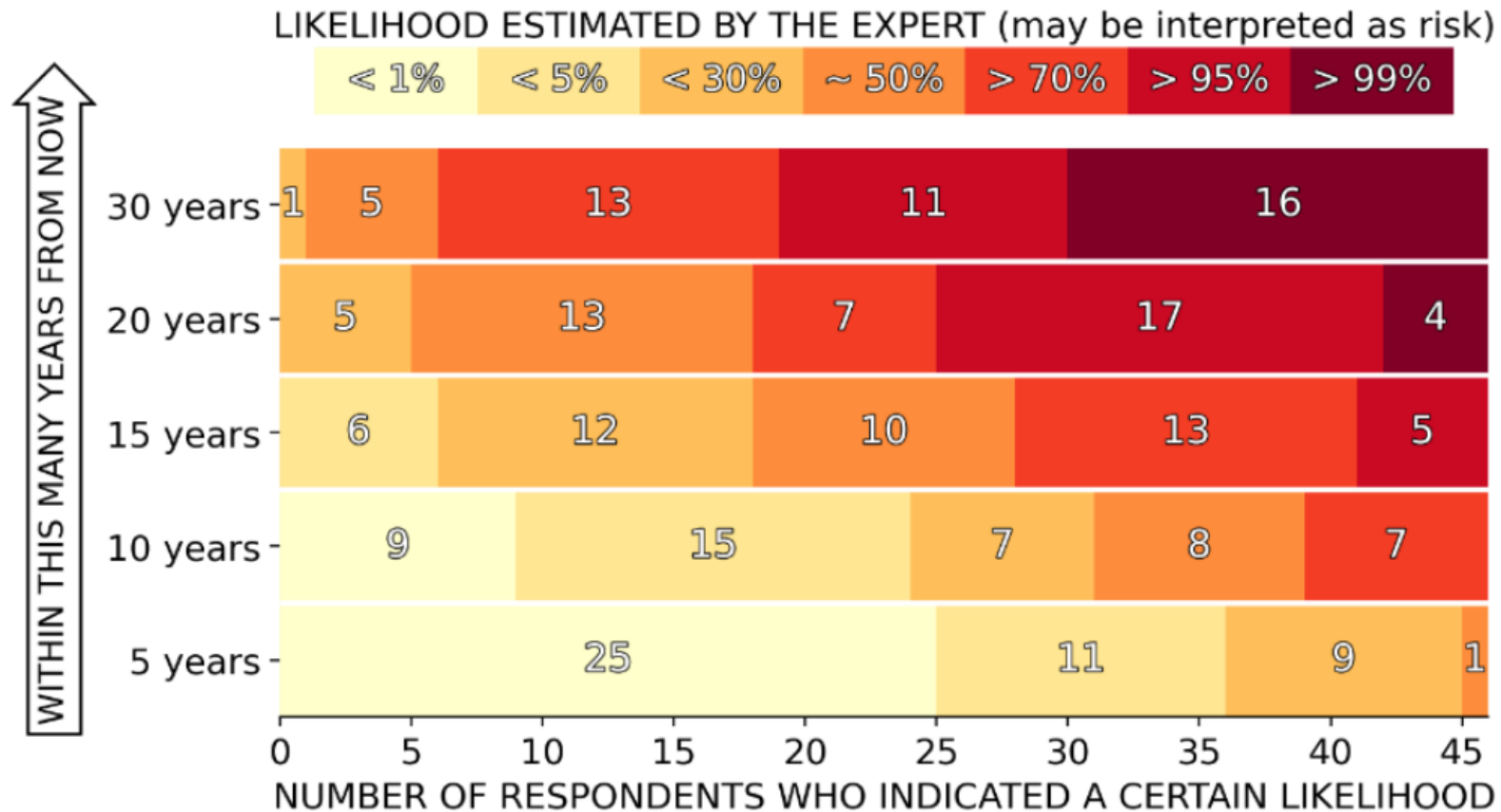
Quantum computers hold the promise of being able to take on certain problems exponentially faster compared to a normal computer

- Healthcare and pharmaceuticals
- Materials
- Sustainability solutions
- Financial trading
- Big data and many other complex problems and simulations

## SO, WHEN IS IT GOING TO BE HERE ?

### EXPERTS' ESTIMATES OF THE LIKELIHOOD OF A QUANTUM COMPUTER ABLE TO BREAK RSA-2048 IN 24 HOURS

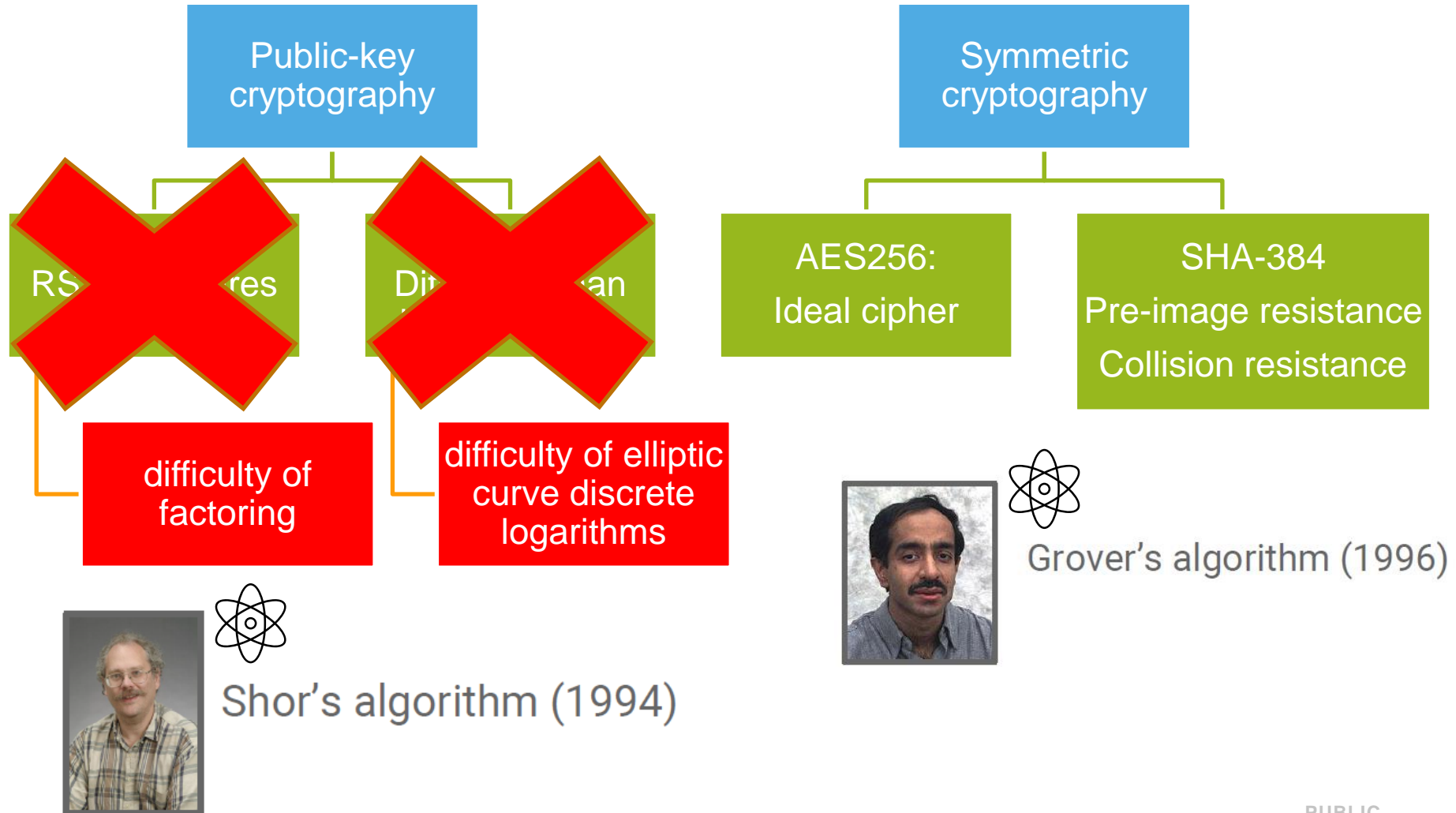
The experts were asked to indicate their estimate for the likelihood of a quantum computer that is cryptographically relevant—in the specific sense of being able to break RSA-2048 quickly—for various time frames, from a short term of 5 years all the way to 30 years.



# CONTEMPORARY CRYPTOGRAPHY

TLS - ~~ECDHE~~ - ~~RSA~~ - AES256 - GCM - SHA384

“Double” the key sizes



# Quantum Potential To destroy Security As We know it

## **Confidential email messages, private documents, and financial transactions**

Secure today but may be compromised in the future, even if recorded & encrypted

## **Firmware update mechanisms in vehicles**

May be circumvented and allow dangerous modifications

## **Critical industrial and public service infrastructure (for healthcare, utilities, and transportation using internet and virtual private networks)**

Could become exposed - potentially destabilize cities

## **Audit trails and digitally signed documents associated with safety (auto certification and pharmaceutical authorizations)**

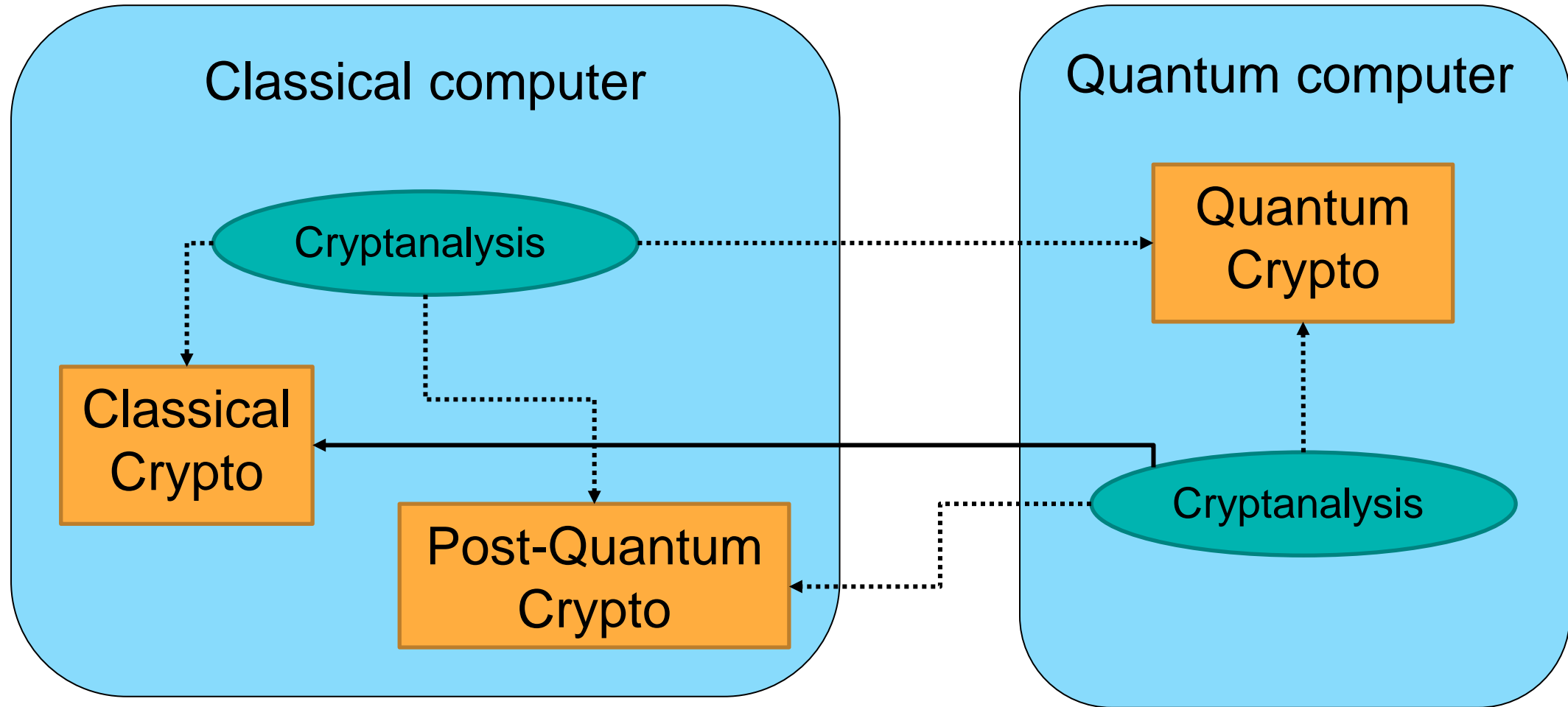
Could be retrospectively modified

## **The integrity of blockchains**

Could be retrospectively compromised - could include fraudulent manipulation of ledger and cryptocurrency transactions



# POST-QUANTUM VERSUS QUANTUM CRYPTO







**POST-QUANTUM CRYPTO STANDARDS ARE COMING  
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU BELIEVE IN QUANTUM COMPUTERS OR NOT**

# POST-QUANTUM CRYPTO STANDARDIZATION



2016

- Formal call for proposals

2017

- Deadline for submissions
- 69 candidates received

2019

- Second Round Candidates announced: 26 remaining candidates

2020

- Third Round Candidates announced: 7 Finalists and 8 Alternates

2022

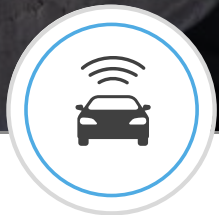
- **Announcement of Winners to be Standardized**

2024

- Standards Available

2030

- Migration to new PQC public-key standards completed



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EGOVERNMENT



BANK CARDS



SMART MOBILITY (MIFARE) CARDS



TAGS & AUTHENTICATION

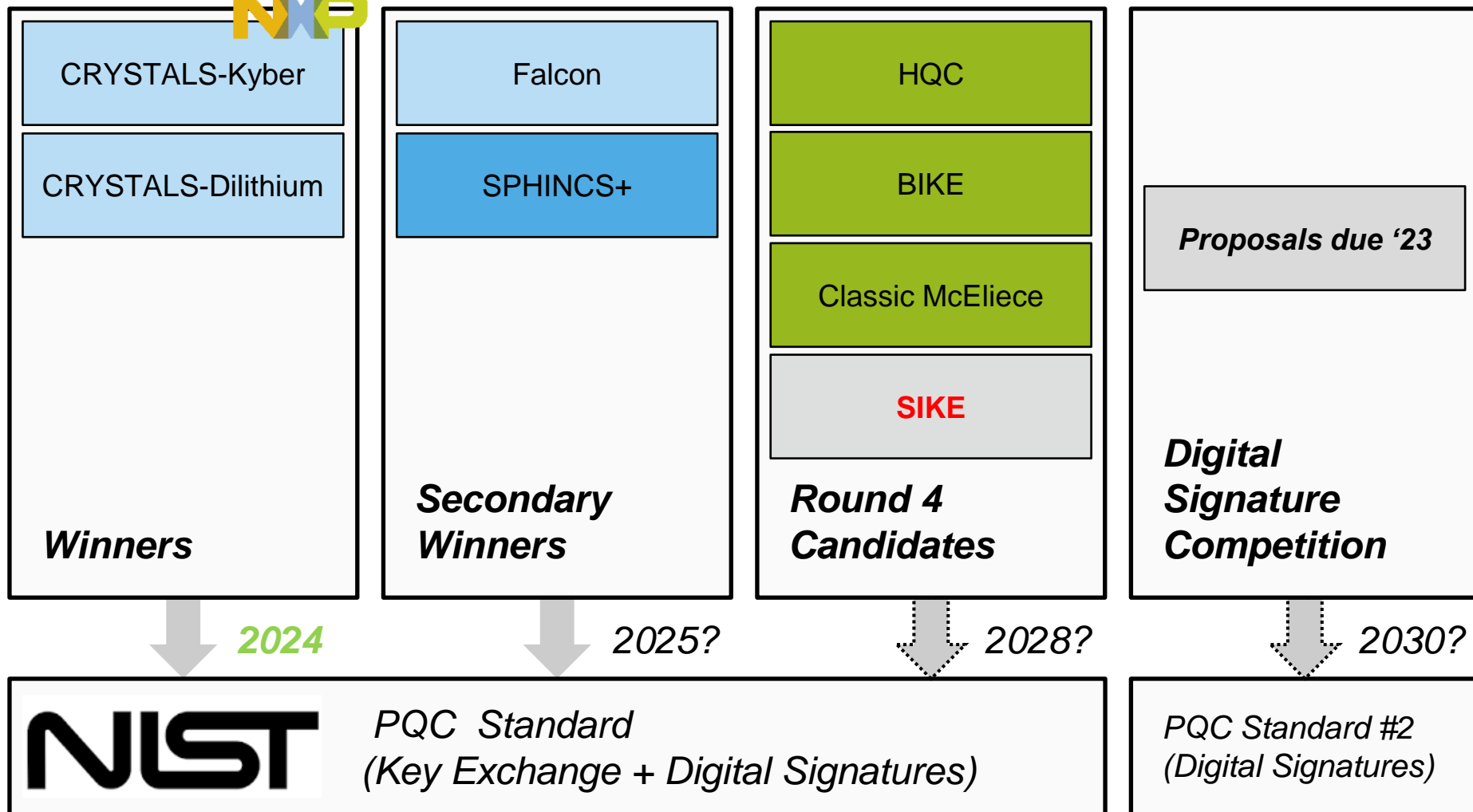


READERS



MOBILE

# STANDARDS – NIST



## HOW TO PREPARE FOR HURRICANE SEASON Quantum



### MAKE A PLAN

- Airmen should create an emergency plan and/or checklist
- obtain supplies
  - update personal documents
  - secure household
  - research evacuation options/routes
  - update prescriptions



### CREATE A GO-BAG

- Prepare supplies ahead of a hurricane. These can include
- Food/water
  - Additional clothes
  - Personal documents
  - Travel supplies
  - Prescriptions



### KNOW YOUR WING GUIDANCE

Whether preparing for a hurricane or evacuating know your wing or installation's guidance. Routinely check for updates from leadership and maintain communication with your chain of command.



### RECOGNIZE WARNINGS & ALERTS

Have several ways to receive alerts. Download real-time alert apps. Sign up for community alerts in your area and be aware of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA)- which requires no-sign up.



### STAY SAFE

Practice good hygiene and safety measures during any part of a hurricane evacuation or impact. Keep family considerations in mind and don't be afraid to contact leadership for guidance.



# POST-QUANTUM CRYPTO IS ON THE HORIZON

## AUTOMOTIVE



70%



70% connected cars by 2025

## INDUSTRIAL & IOT

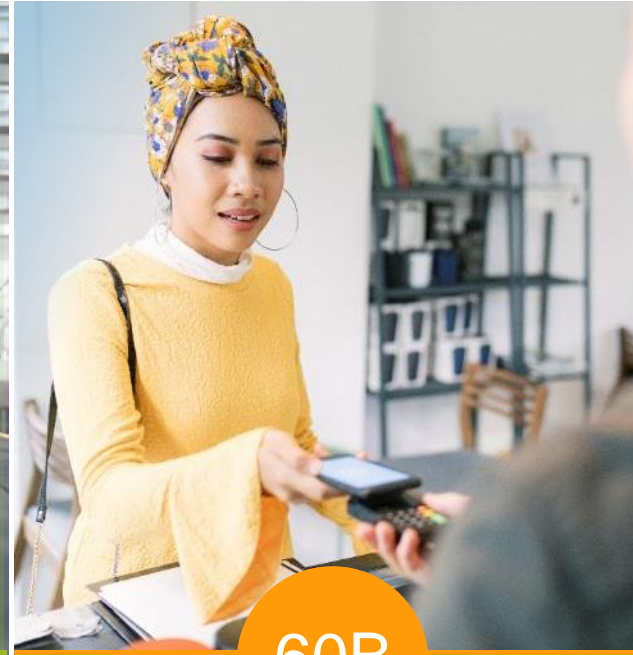


12B



IoT Edge & end nodes from 6B units in '21 to 12B units in '25

## MOBILE



60B

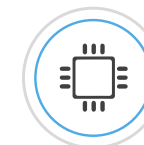


Tagging 60B products per year by 2025

## COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE



40B



Secure anchors & services for 40B processors



## TYPICAL EXAMPLES

### **Automotive**

New platform designed now will likely enter the market after 2024 and remain in use for many years

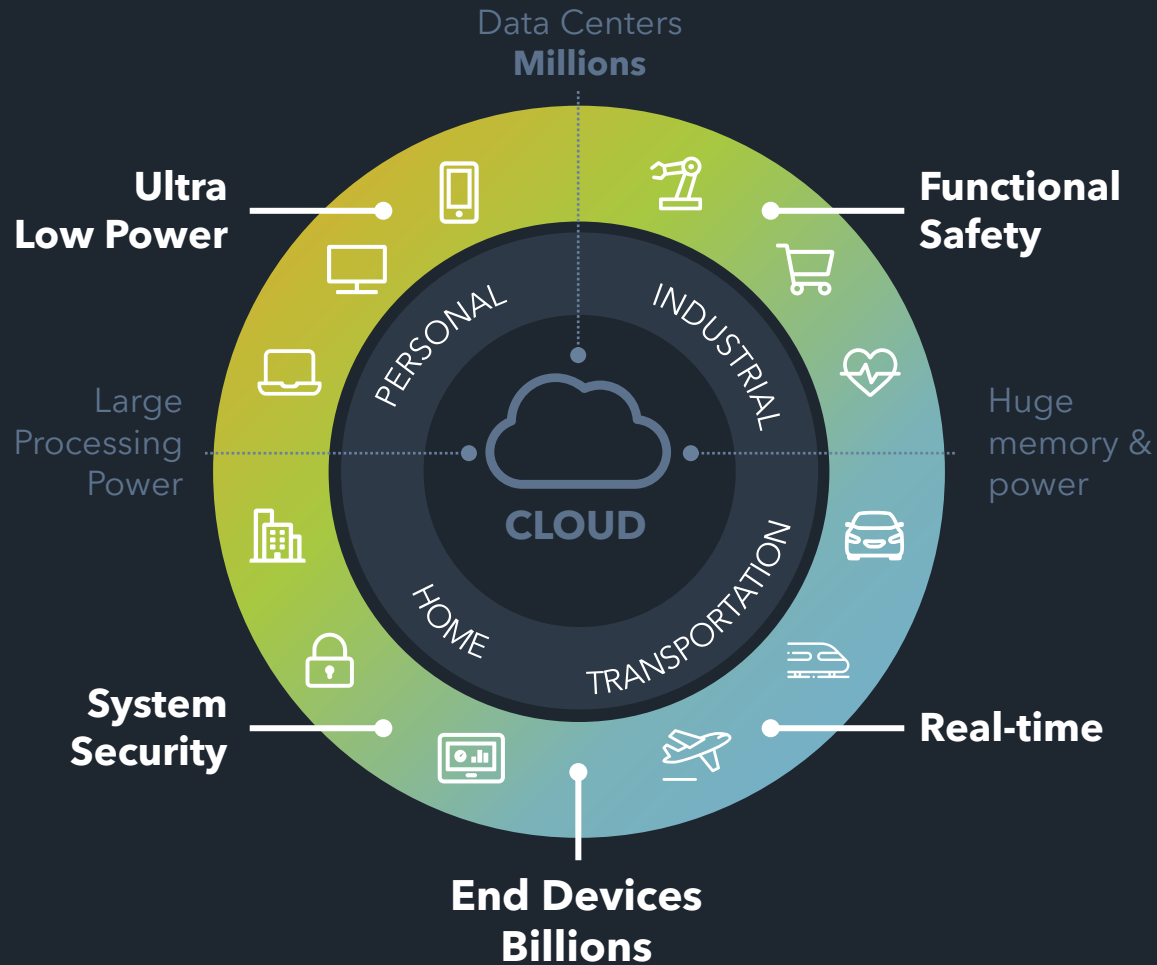
### **(Industrial) IoT**

Devices sold now need to be able to support the new PQC standard in 2024: crypto agility

Many embedded IoT platforms are resource constrained:  
4-16 KiB memory



# IMPACT PQC ON OUR ECO-SYSTEM



Data collection, processing and decisions at the edge  
Devices securely connected to the cloud

## No Silver Bullet

If a crypto scheme was better, we would have standardized this already

## Cryptographic Keys

Orders of magnitude larger.  
In the final: up to 1.3MB

Winners: up to 4.8KB  
(ECC: 32 bytes, RSA: 384 bytes)

## Performance

Varies: some faster some significantly slower.  
SHA-3 is a dominating component (~80%)  
→ HW co-processor

## Memory

Orders of magnitude more:  
up 100KB memory of RAM when executing  
NXP has dedicated implementations reaching  
~16KB of RAM

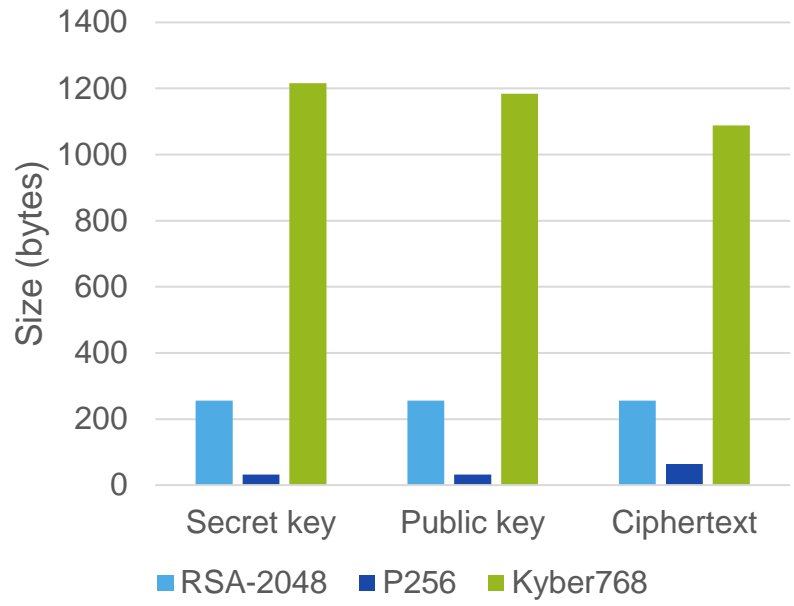
## Bandwidth & Power

Larger signatures (up to 4.6KB)  
→ more bandwidth required  
→ increase in power usage

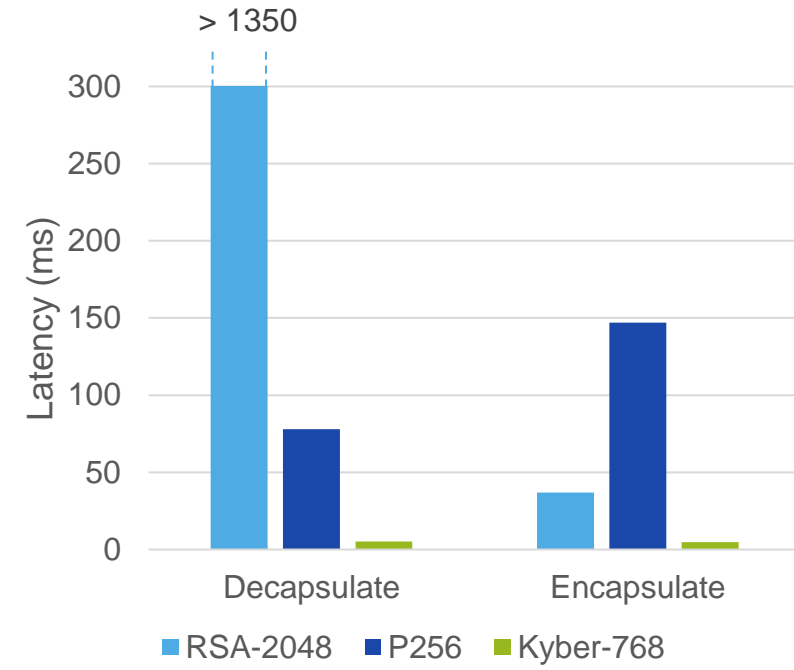


# KEY-EXCHANGE IMPACT

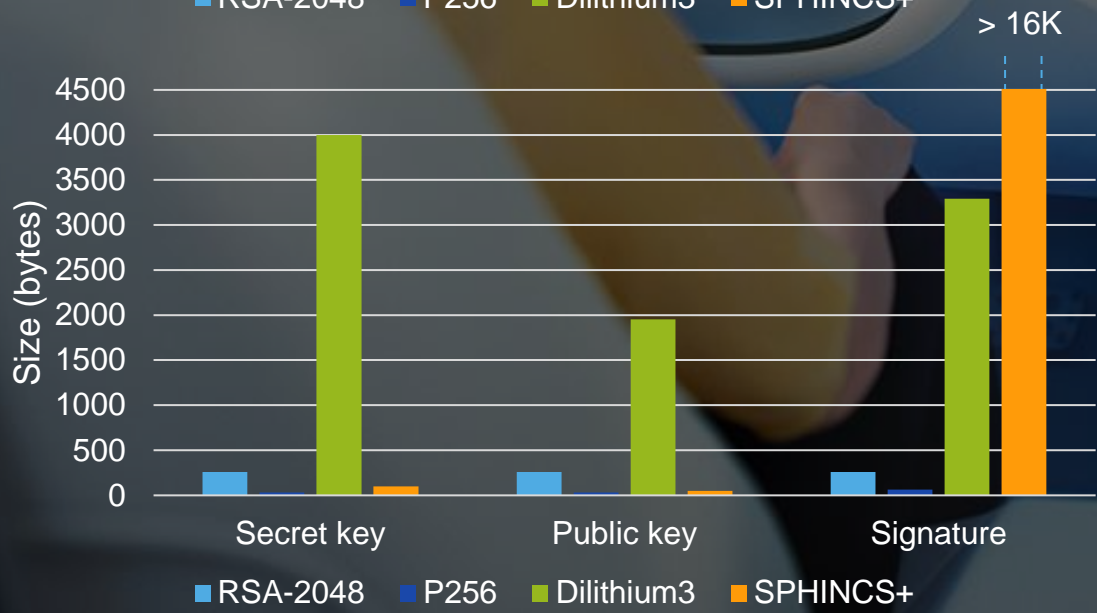
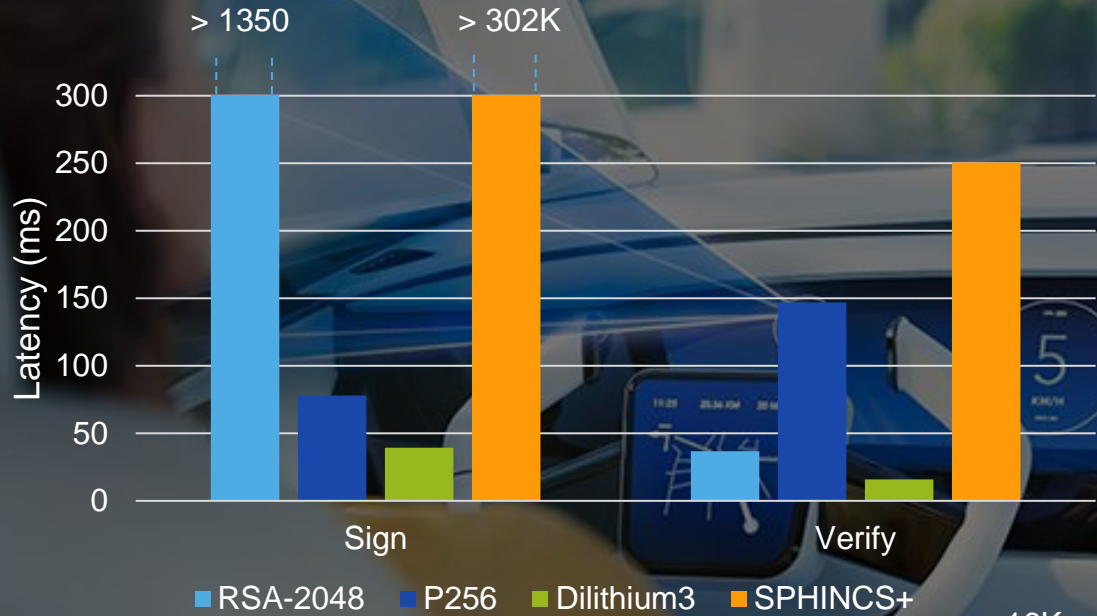
Kyber **co-designed by NXP** with IBM, ARM and academic partners



- Measurements on Cortex-M4 @ 168MHz from pqm4 framework
- Functional implementation only (not hardened)
- **70 ~ 80 percent** of run-time in SHA-3



# DIGITAL SIGNATURE IMPACT

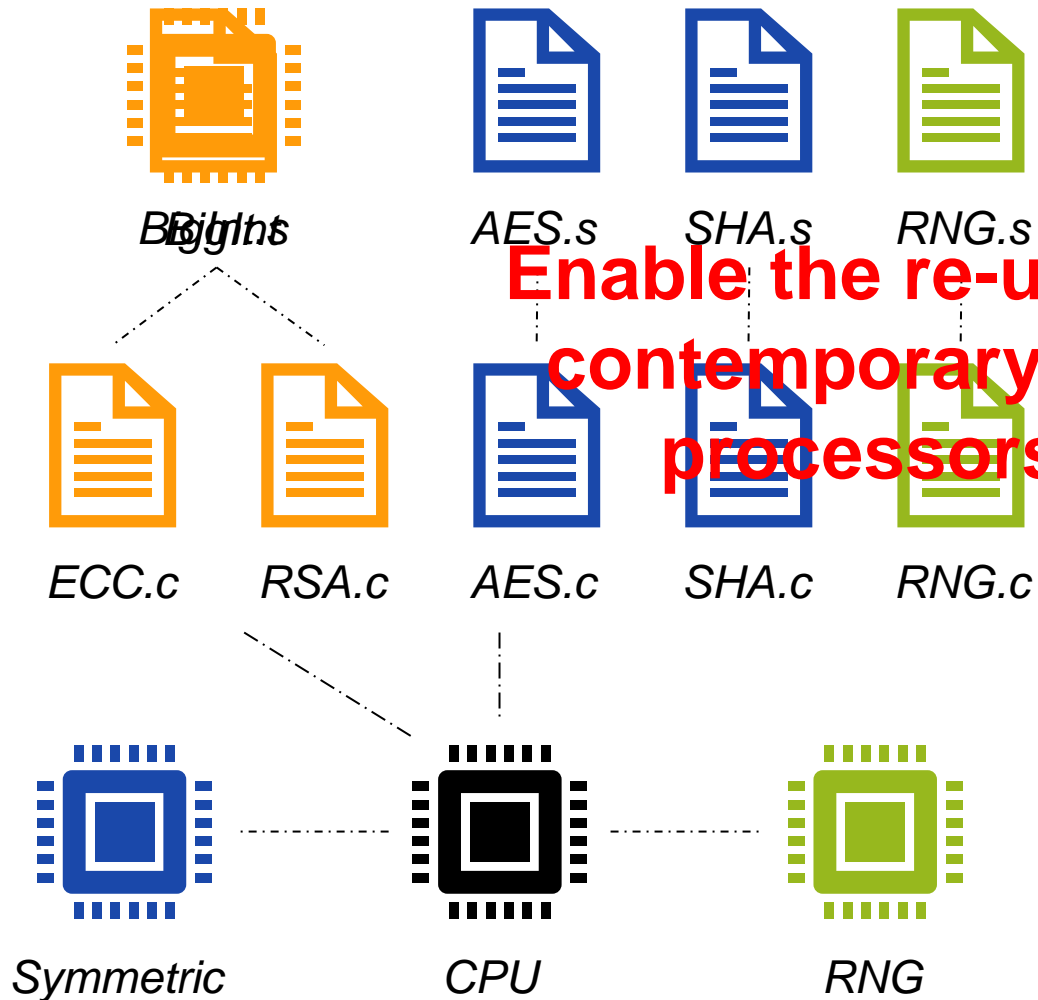




# USE CASE STUDY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (SG32G AS AN EXAMPLE)



# IMPLEMENTING CLASSICAL CRYPTOGRAPHY



**Enable the re-use of contemporary co-processors**

**NIST**  
Information Technology Laboratory  
**COMPUTER SECURITY RESOURCE CENTER**

PUBLICATIONS

**FIPS 186-5 (Draft)**  
**Digital Signature Standard (DSS)**

**Security**

- Hardware Security Engine
  - Asymmetric Hardware Accelerators
  - Symmetric Hardware Accelerators
  - Secure Memory
  - Random Number Generators

**S32G2 automotive processor spec**



## RE-USING EXISTING HW

Approach	Core	Structure	Size
RSA	Modular multiplication	$(\mathbb{Z}/n\mathbb{Z})^*$	$n$ is 3072-bit
ECC	Elliptic curve scalar multiplication	$E(\mathbb{F}_p)$	$p$ is 256-bit
Lattice	Polynomial multiplication	$(\mathbb{Z}/q\mathbb{Z})[X]/(X^n + 1)$	$q$ is 16-bit $n$ is 256



Co-pro present in current hardware



Can we use this?



## KRONECKER SUBSTITUTION

*Polynomial domain*

$$f = 1 + 2x + 3x^2 + 4x^3$$

$$g = 5 + 6x + 7x^2 + 8x^3$$

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$$fg = \underline{5} + \underline{16x} + \underline{34x^2} + \underline{60x^3} + \underline{61x^4} + \underline{52x^5} + \underline{32x^6}$$

*Kronecker domain (with evaluation point 100)*

$$f(100) = 4030201$$

$$g(100) = 8070605$$

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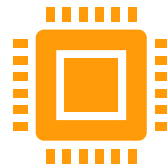
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$$fg(100) = \underline{32526160341605}$$

**Grundzüge einer arithmetischen Theorie der  
algebraischen Grössen.**

(Von *L. Kronecker*.)

(Abdruck einer Festschrift zu Herrn *E. E. Kummers* Doctor-Jubiläum, 10. September 1881.)



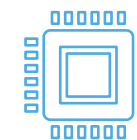
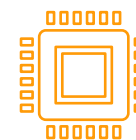
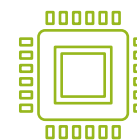


## ARITHMETIC CO-PROCESSORS

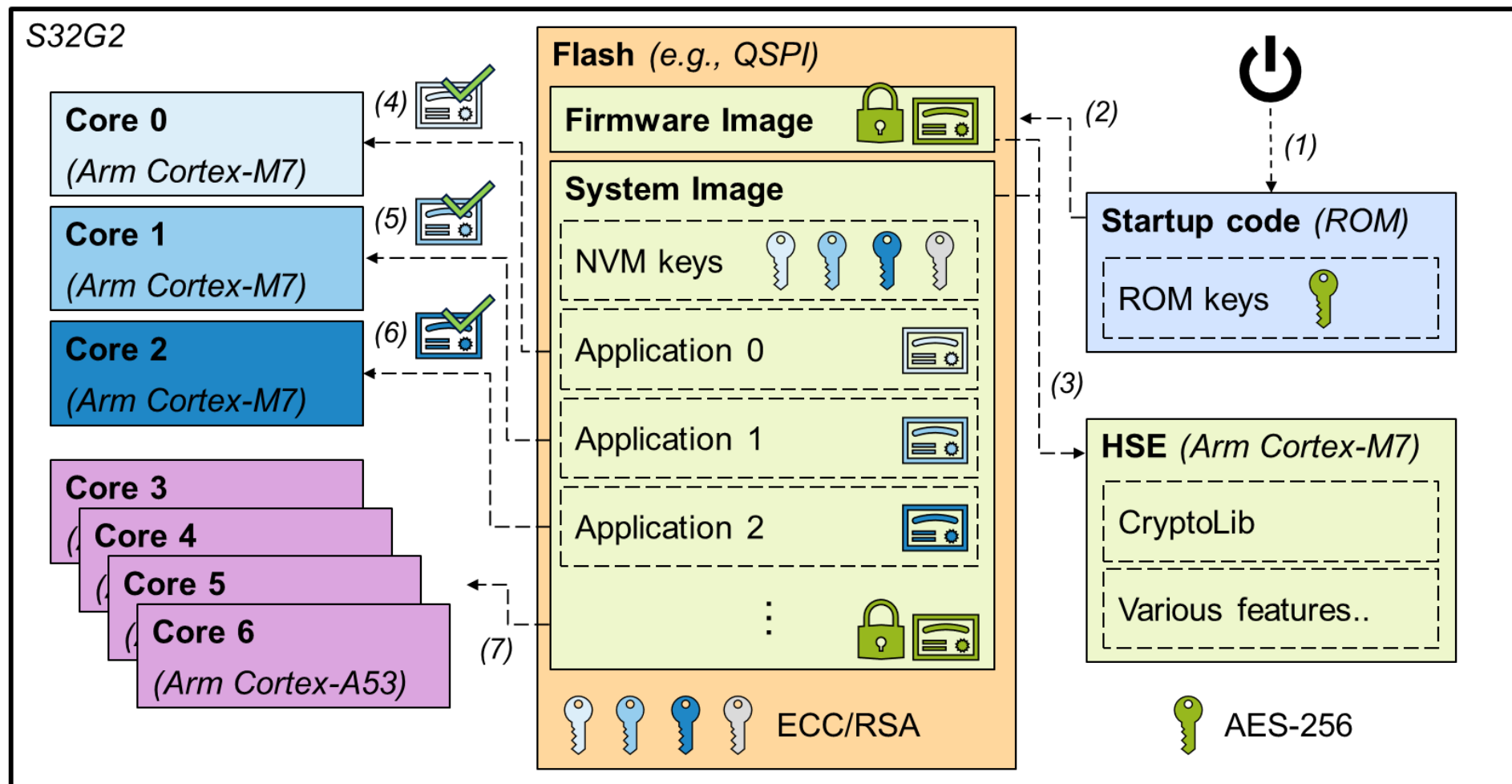
RE-USING EXISTING HARDWARE	<b>ARITHMETIC CO-PROCESSORS</b>	Dedicated secure hardware widely available to accelerate ECC and RSA
	<b>POST-QUANTUM CRYPTOGRAPHY</b>	PQC work on completely different objects. Not straightforward to re-use this hardware
	<b>KRONECKER+</b>	Our new approach to run PQC on existing and deployed hardware. See: Bos, Renes, van Vredendaal; Post-Quantum Cryptography with Contemporary Co-Processors: Beyond Kronecker, Schönhage-Strassen & Nussbaumer; USENIX 2022

# multiplications required

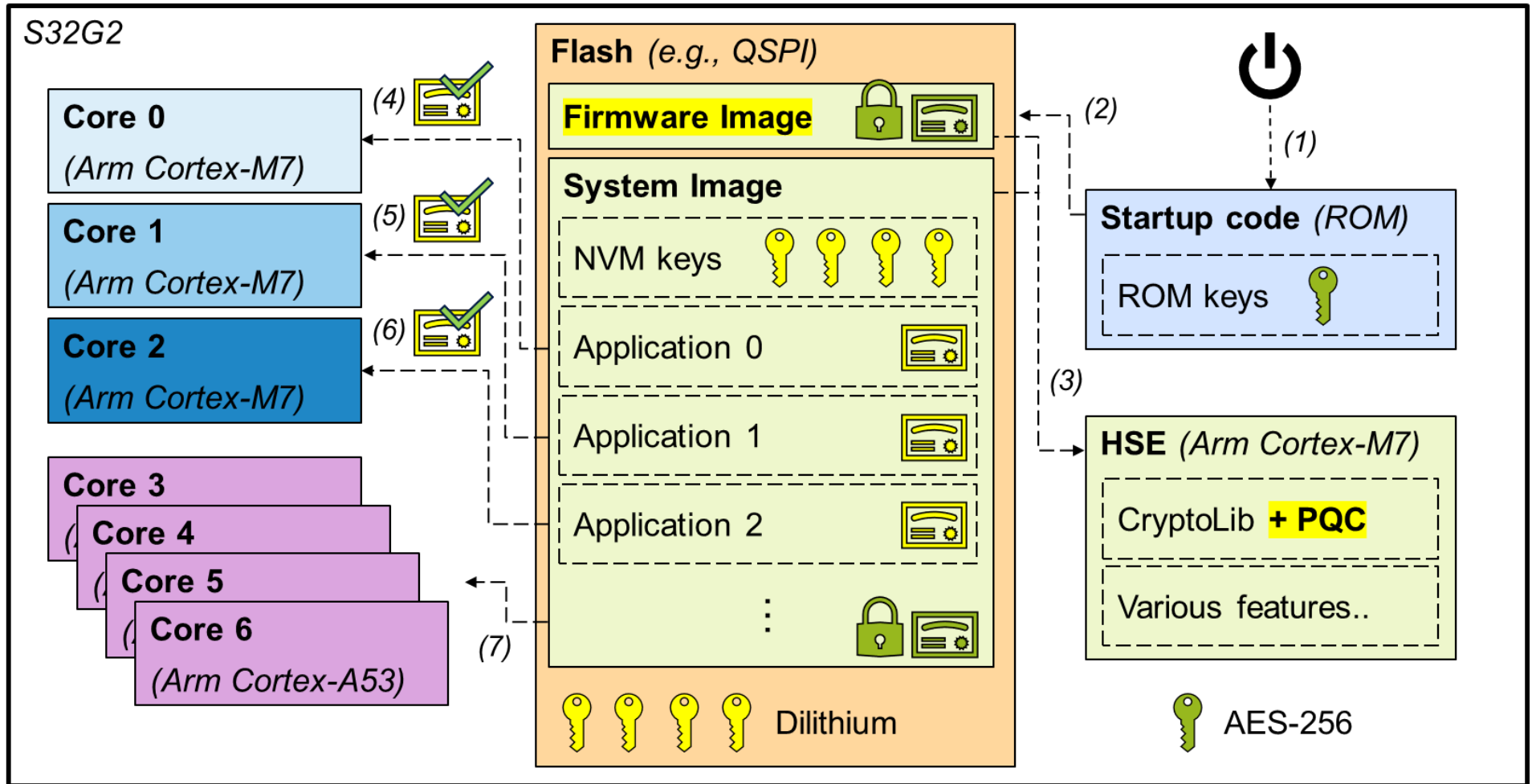
Multiplier width	512	256	128
Schoolbook	256	1024	4096
Kronecker+	16	32	64



# PQC DEMO: HSE SECURE BOOT OVERVIEW



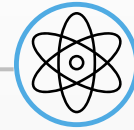
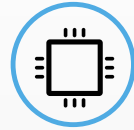
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# S32G2 VEHICLE NETWORK PROCESSOR – A NEW TYPE OF AUTOMOTIVE PROCESSOR

## OUR TARGET PLATFORM: **S32G274A**

- 3 Lockstep Arm® Cortex®-M7  
Microcontrollers
- 4 Cluster Lockstep Cortex-A53  
Microprocessors
- 8 MB of system RAM



## POST-QUANTUM CRYPTO

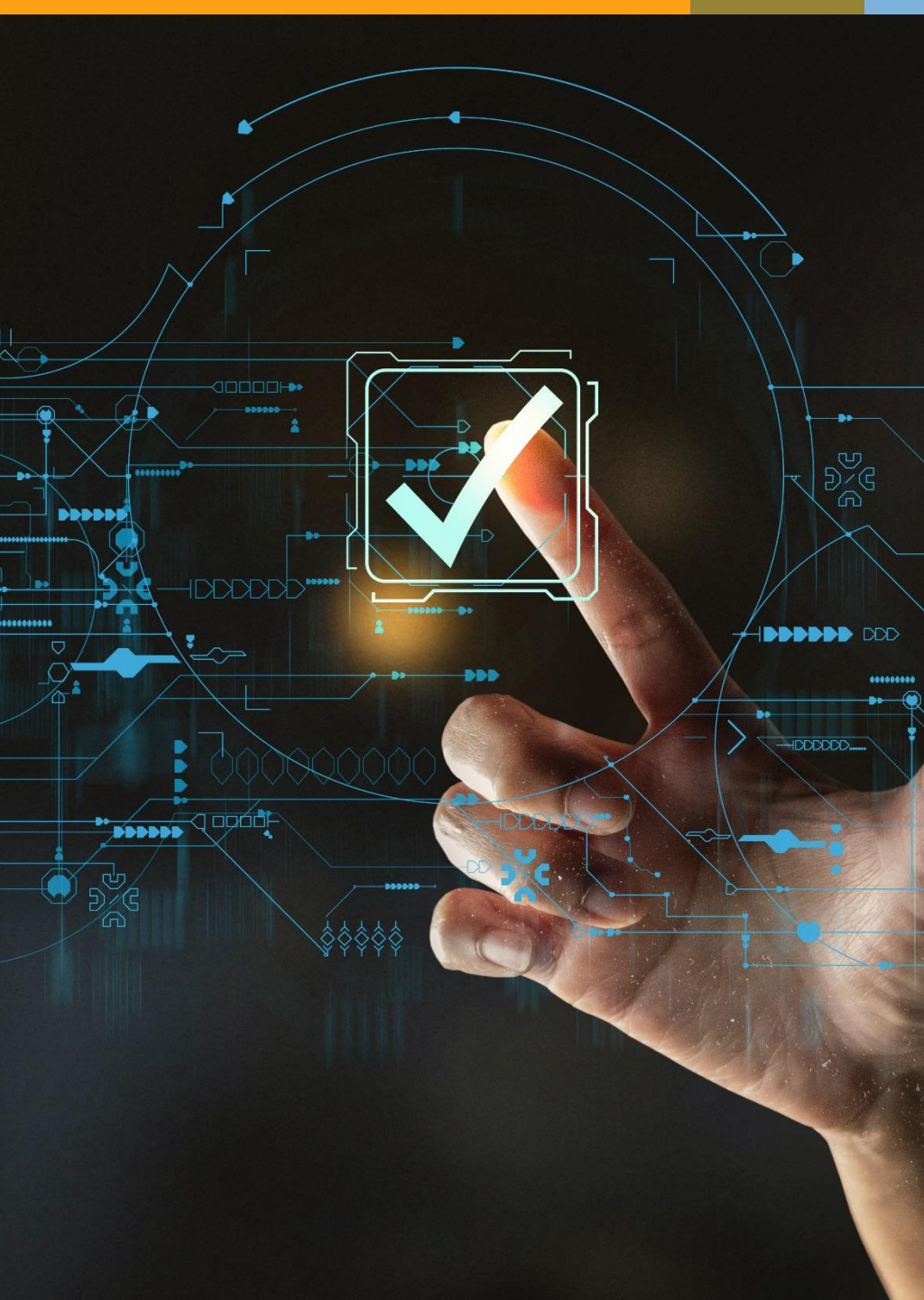
- Can we enable PQC secure boot?
- Integrate PQC secure signature verification



[www.nxp.com/S32G2](http://www.nxp.com/S32G2)







## BENCHMARKS FOR AUTHENTICATION OF FW SIGNATURE ON THE S32G2

Alg.	Size		Performance (ms)			
			1 KB		128 KB	
	PK	Sig.	Inst.	Boot	Inst.	Boot
RSA 4K	512	512	2.6	0.0	2.7	0.2
ECDSA-p256	64	64	6.2	0.0	6.4	0.2
<b>Dilithium-3</b>	<b>1952</b>	<b>3293</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>0.2</b>



- Demonstrator only, further optimizations are possible (such as hardware accelerated SHA-3)
- Signature verification only required once for installation!
- During boot the signature verification can be replaced with a check of the Reference Proof of Authenticity

To appear:

J. W. Bos, B. Carlson, J. Renes, M. Rotaru, D. Sprenkels, G. P. Waters: Post-Quantum Secure Boot on Vehicle Network Processors. Embedded Security in Cars (escar) 2022

# FO-CALYPSE

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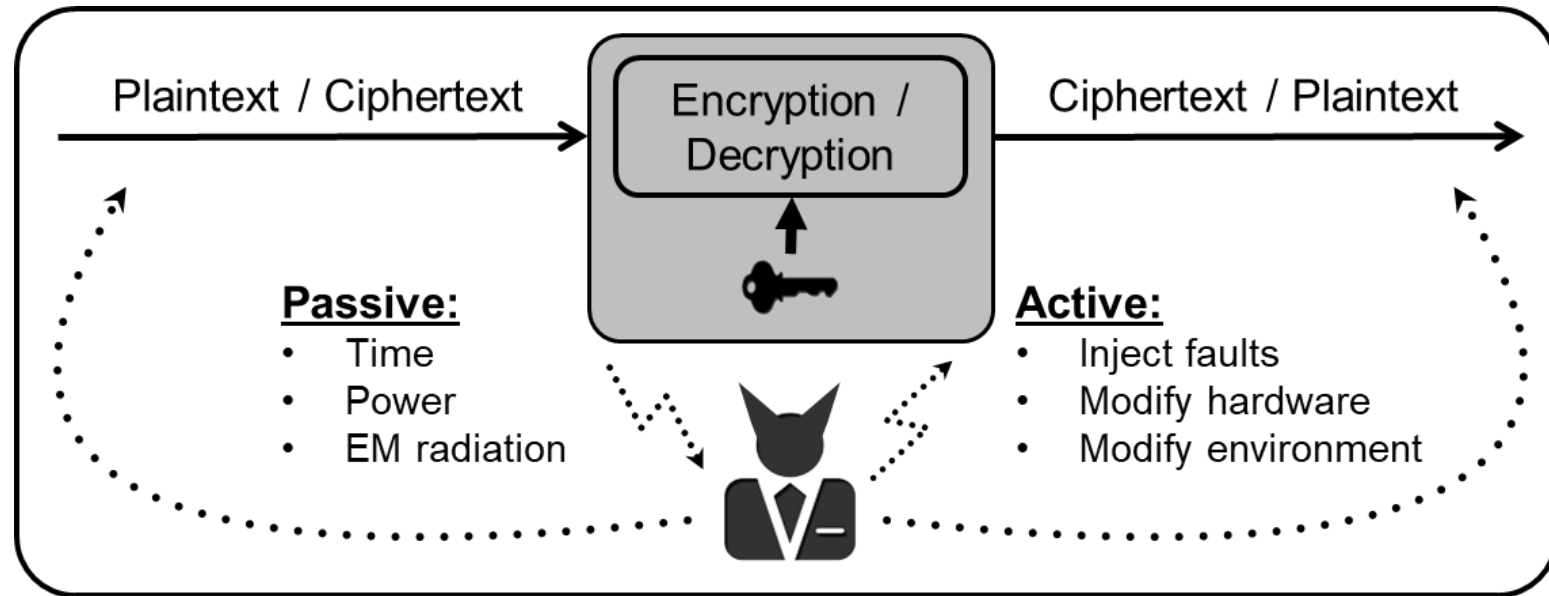
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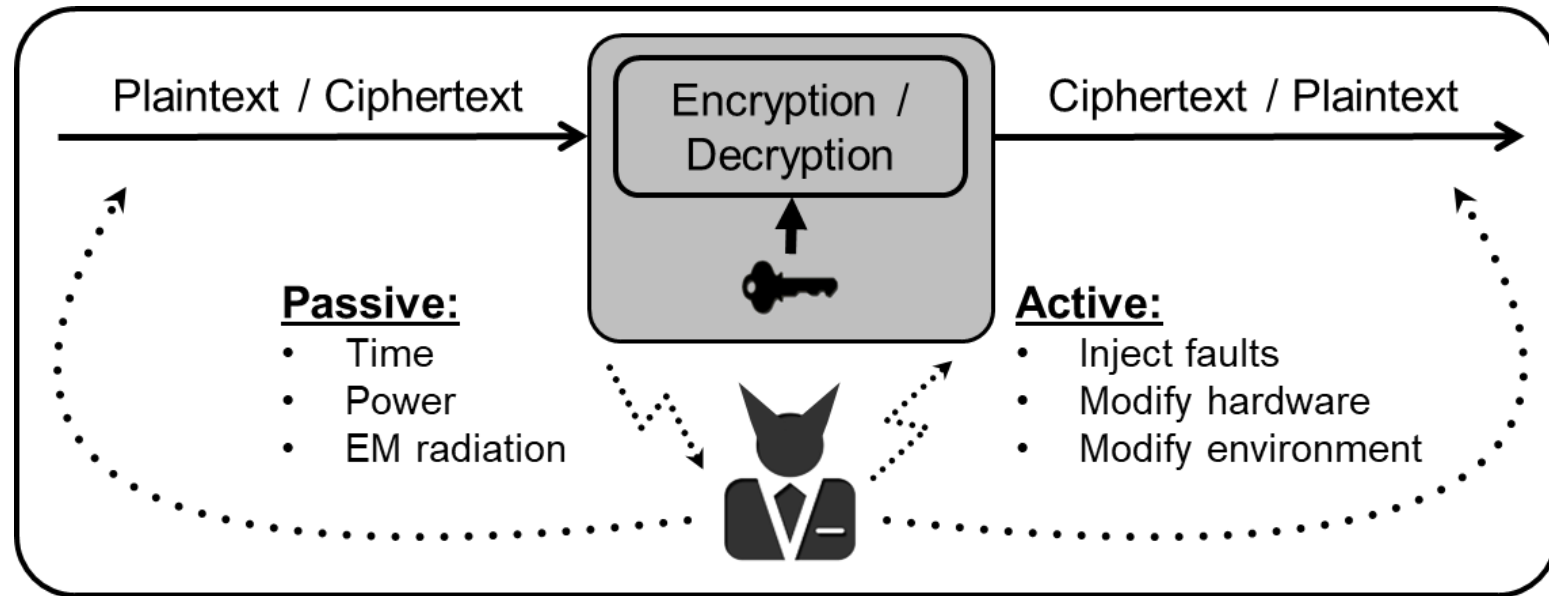


Use meta-information to extract information about the key used in your target platform / product. Many powerful techniques:

*fault injections, simple power analysis, differential power analysis, correlation power analysis, template attacks, higher-order correlation attacks, mutual information analysis, linear regression analysis, horizontal analysis, etc*



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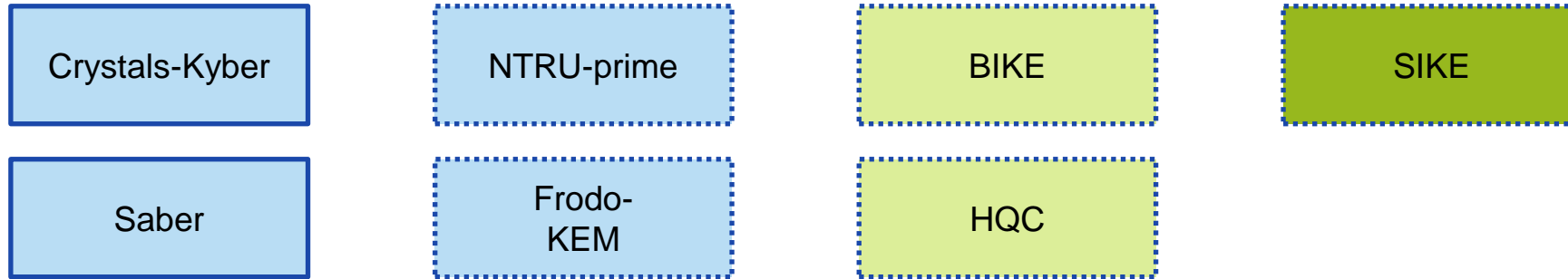


It took many years to find secure and fast protections for RSA + ECC → still cat-and-mouse game

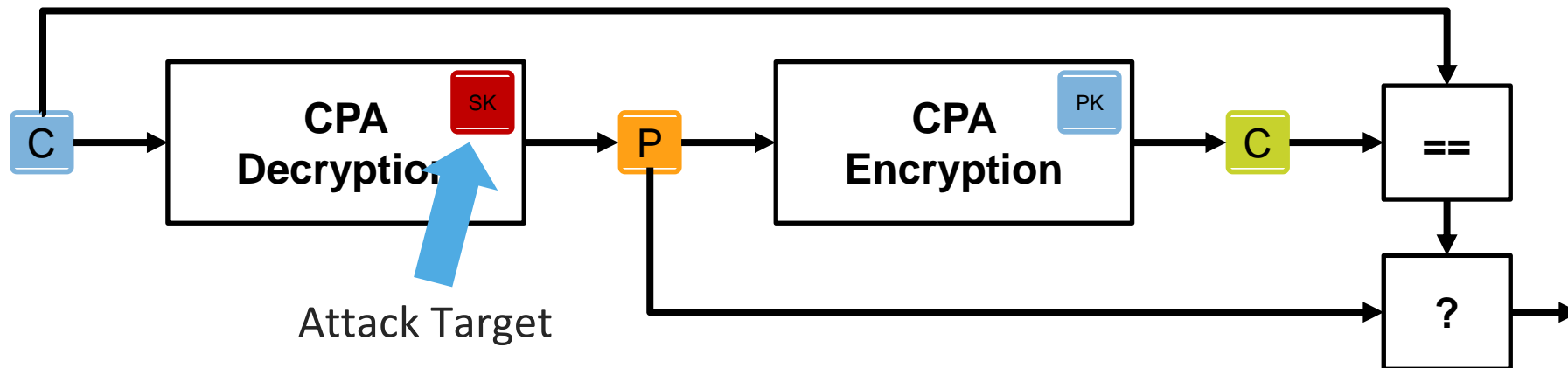
**What about Post-Quantum Cryptography?**

# THE SCA PROBLEM OF THE FO-TTRANSFORM

The Fujisaki-Okamoto (FO) transformation (or slight variants) underlies the IND-CCA security of many KEMs, e.g.:



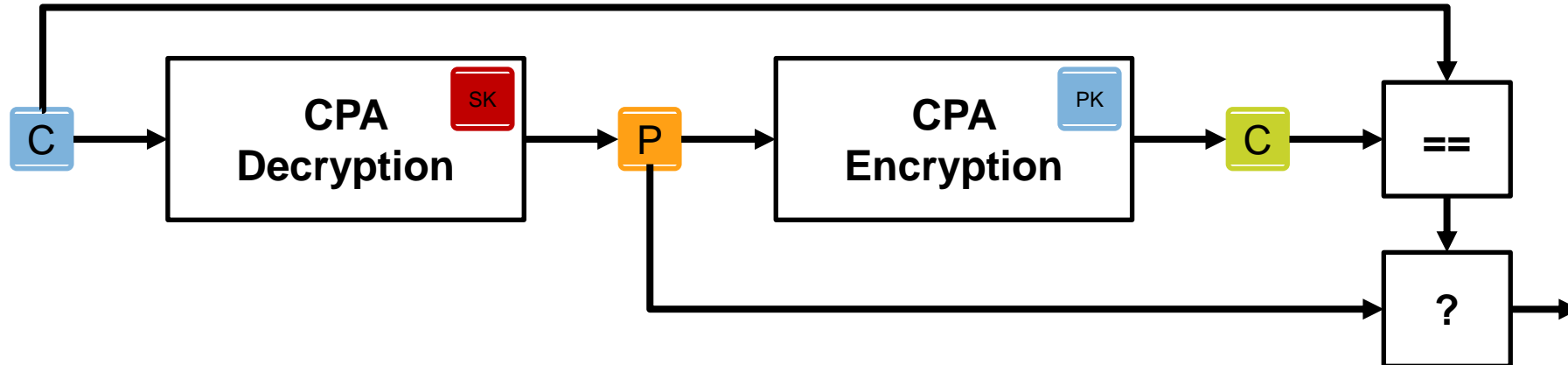
Exemplary Decapsulation:



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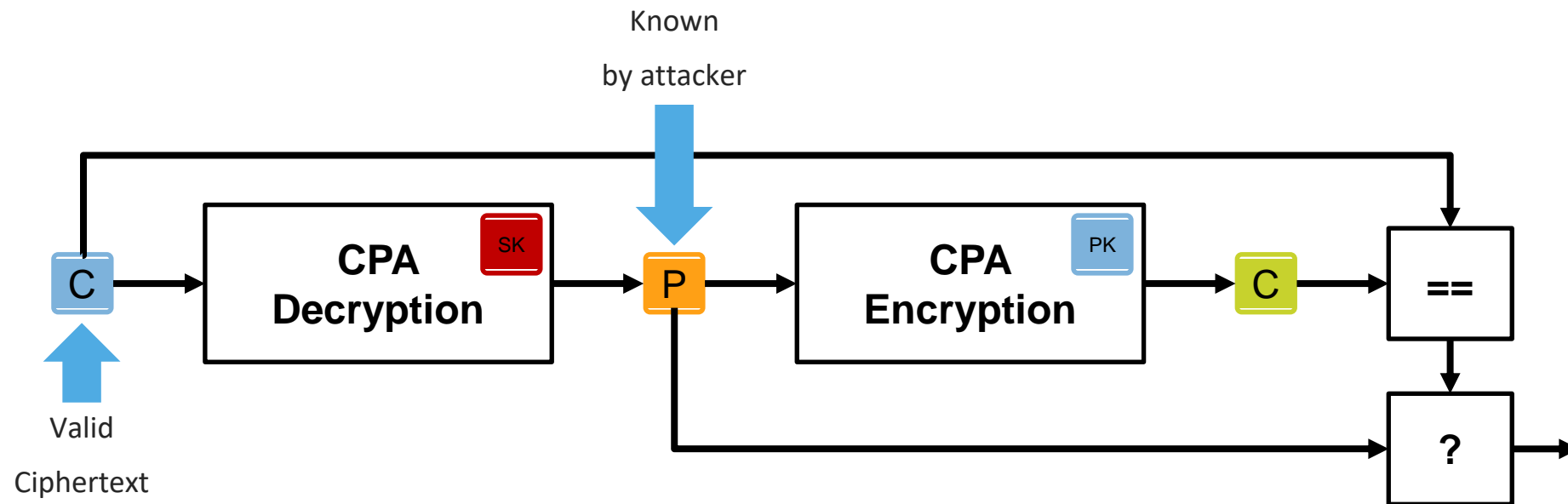
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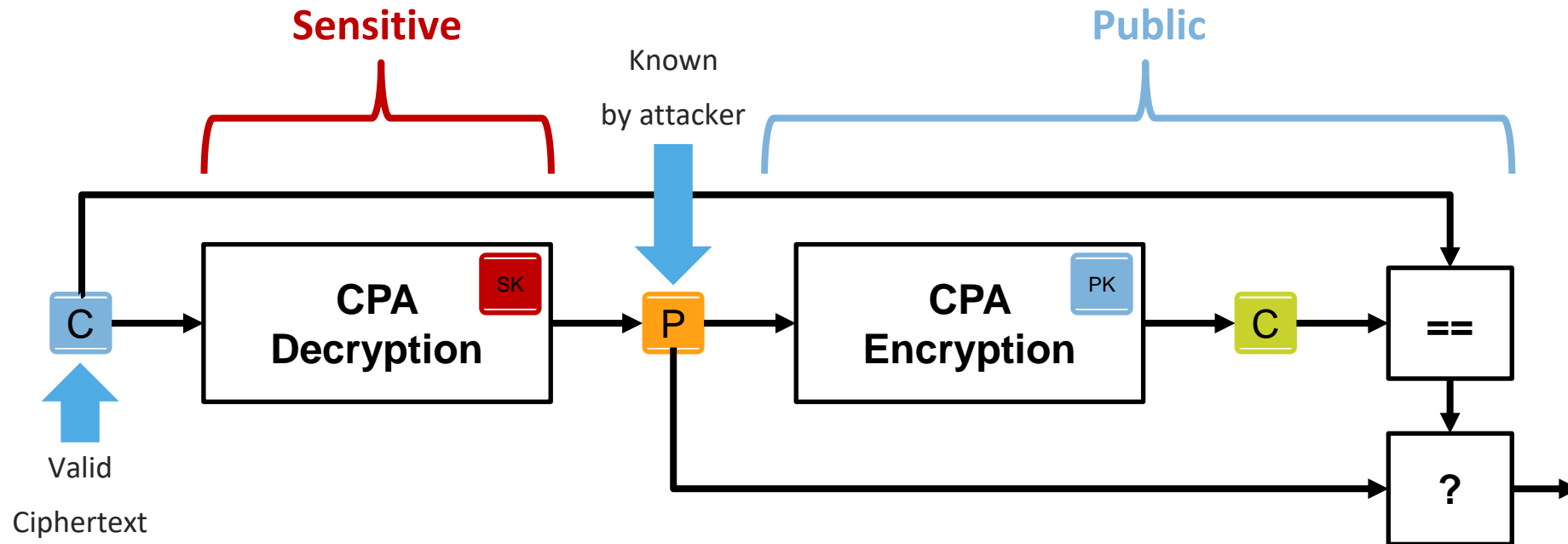
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- Attacker inputs only valid ciphertexts
- Attack focuses on **CPA Decryption**, everything after (and including) **P** is public
- Only need to protect **CPA Decryption**

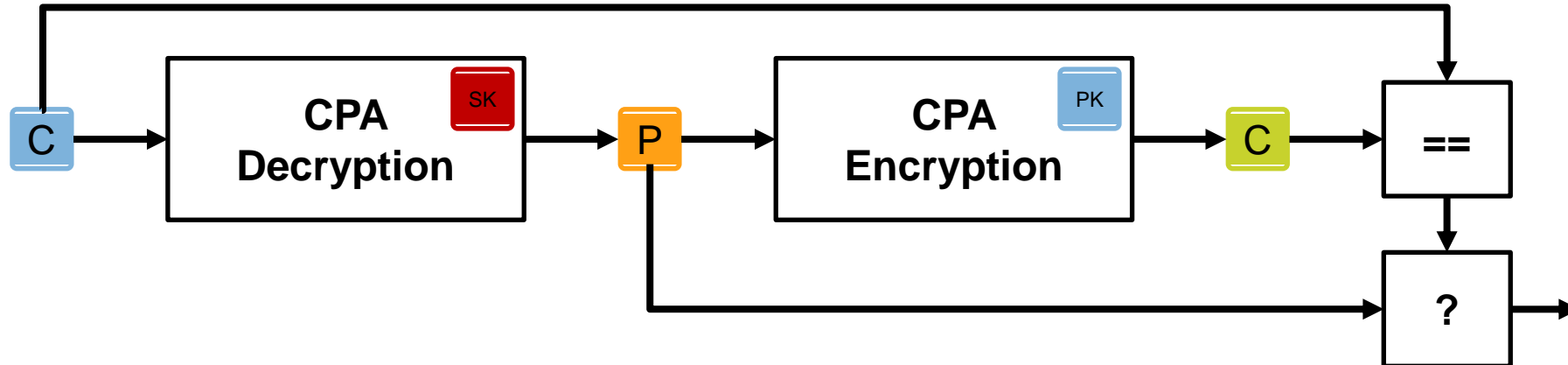




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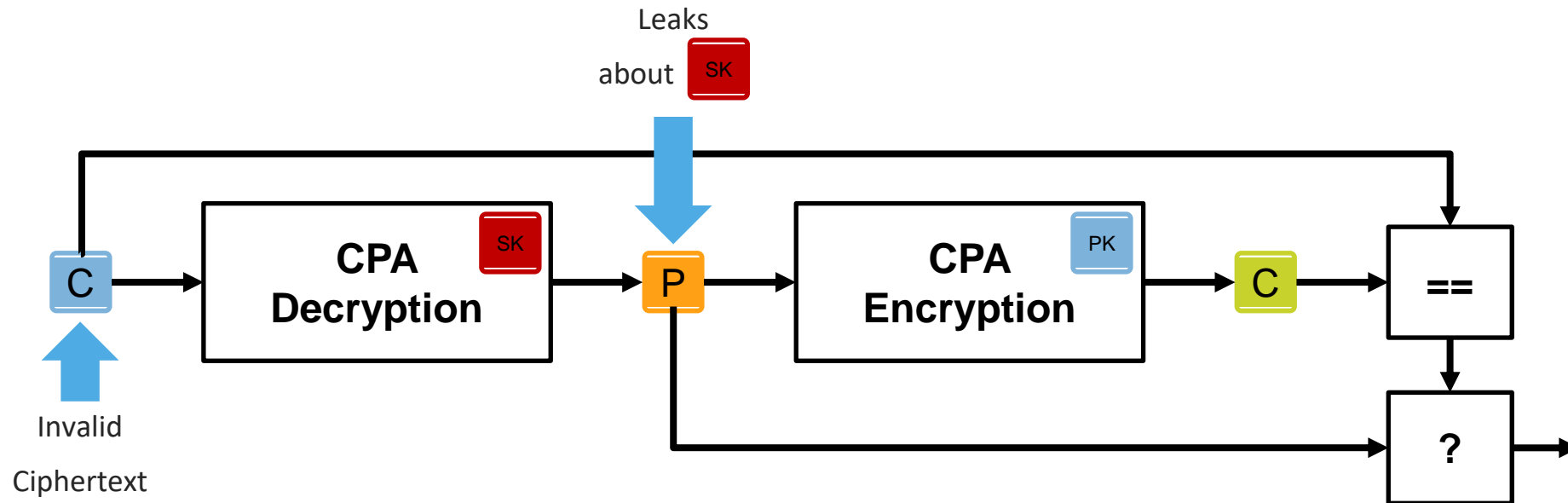
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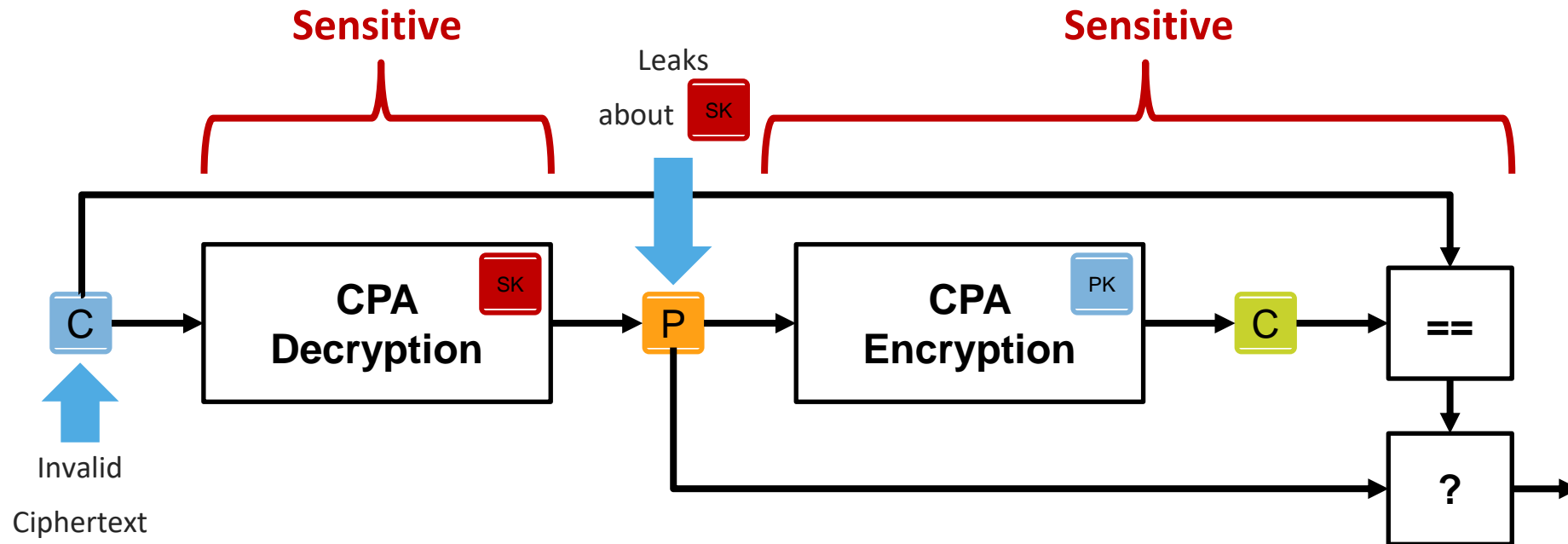
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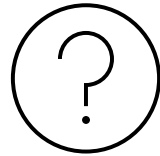
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- Attacker inputs specially-crafted invalid ciphertexts
- Attack focuses on **CPA Decryption** + everything after (and including) **P** is potentially sensitive
- Potentially **all (or most) modules** need to be hardened





## THE SCA PROBLEM OF THE FO-TRANSFORM



Why is it bad?



Millions of Points of Interest (PoI)

Most recently at TCHES-2022:

Masked Kyber / Saber is broken with only 15k traces.

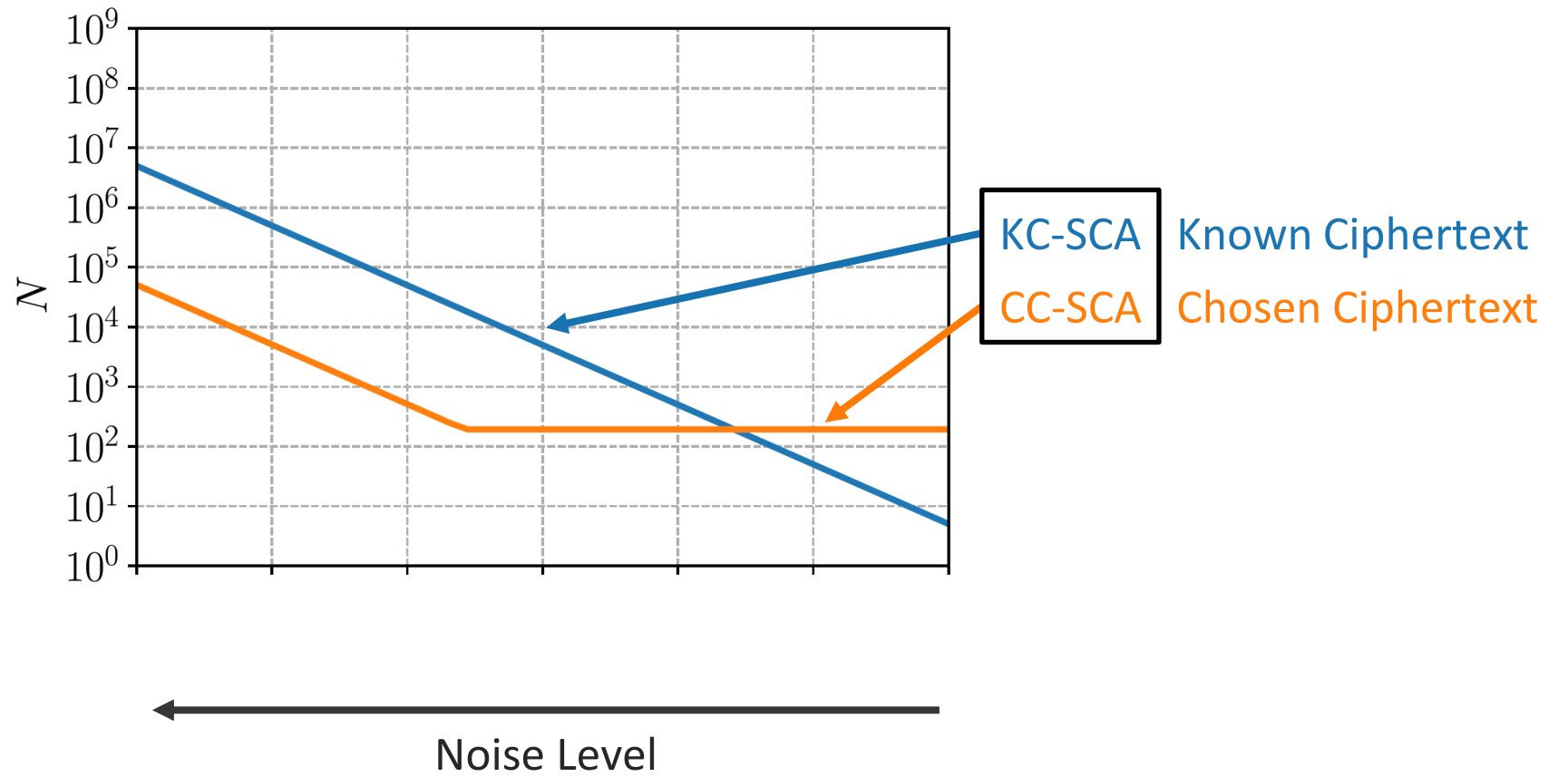
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### Curse of Re-encryption: A Generic Power/EM Analysis on Post-Quantum KEMs

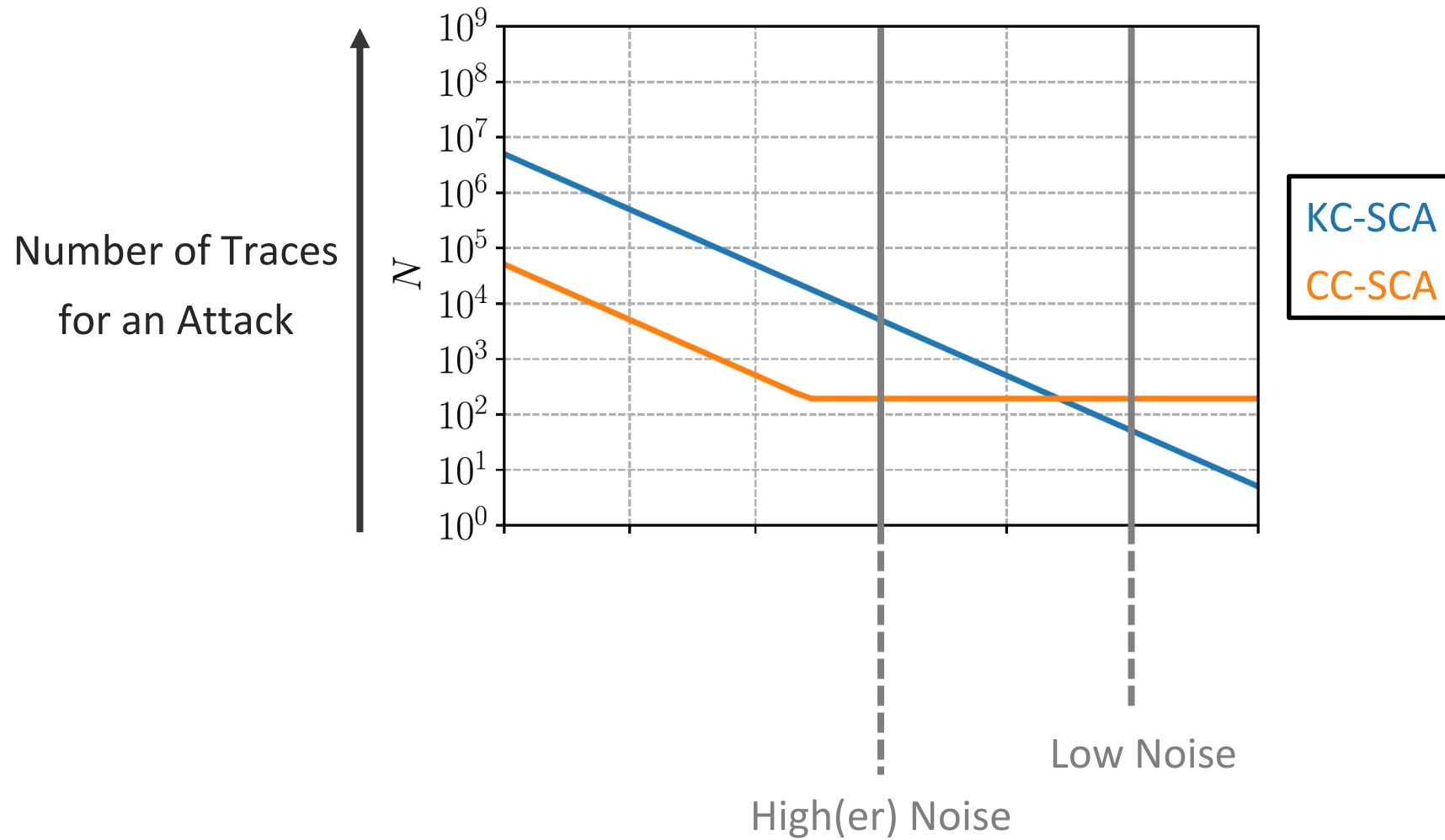
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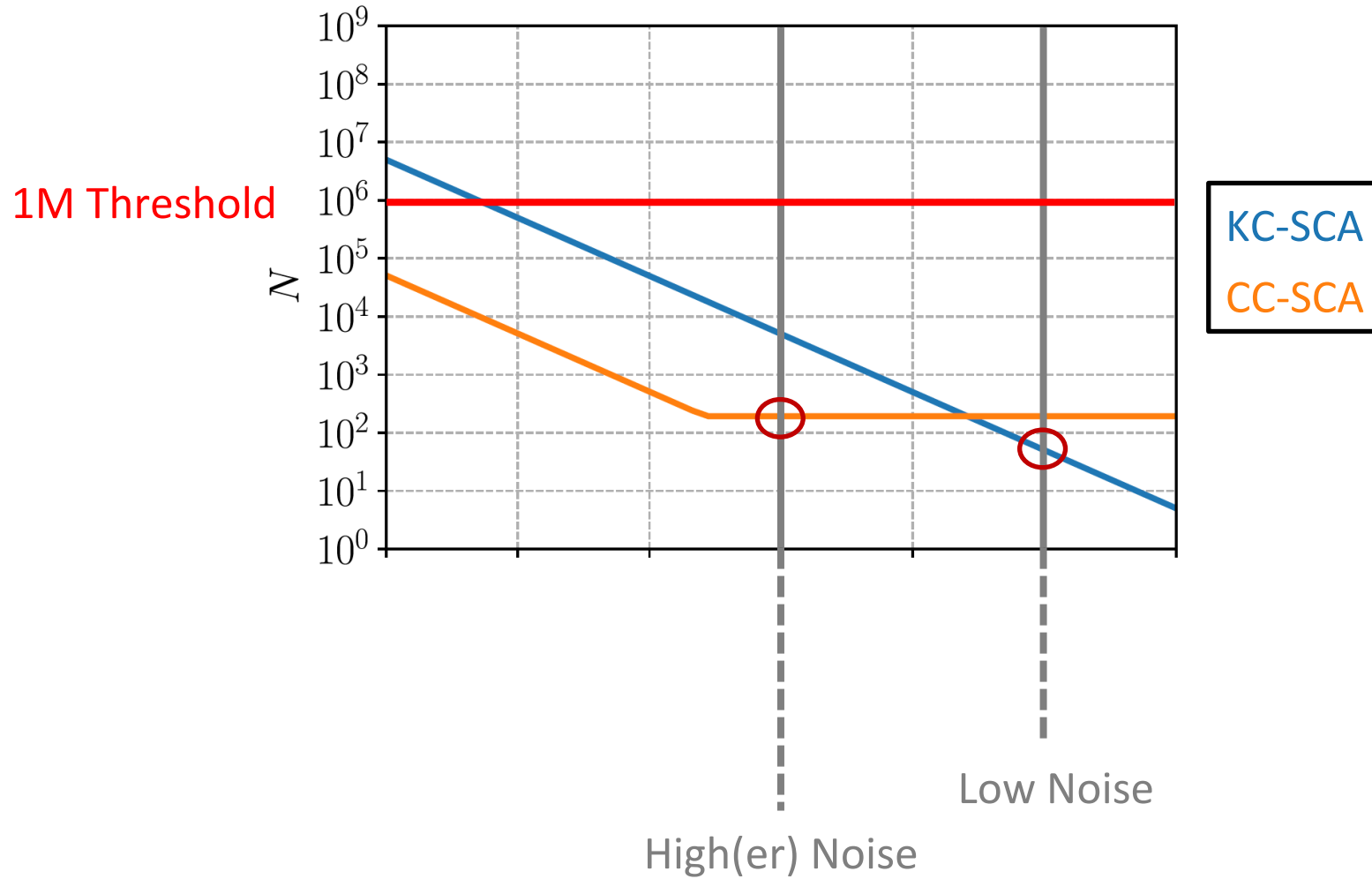
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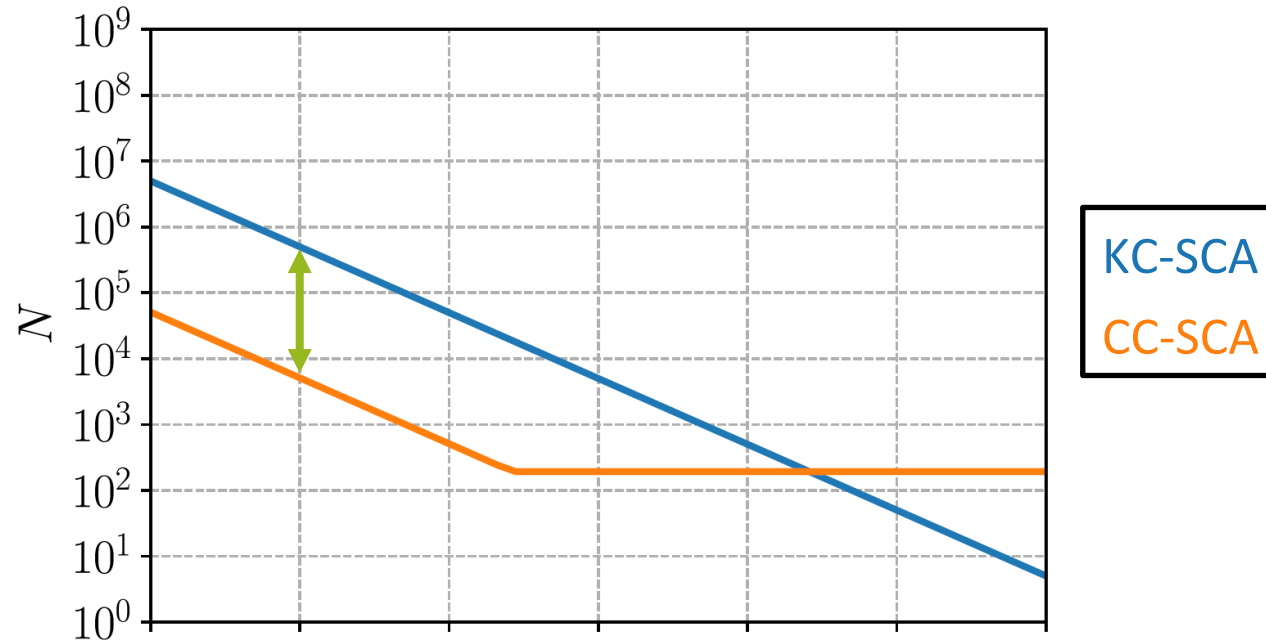
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- Unprotected Kyber is (unsurprisingly) not sufficient for both noise levels
- There is a gap of roughly **x100** between the attacks for high(er) noise



Can this be overcome through masking?

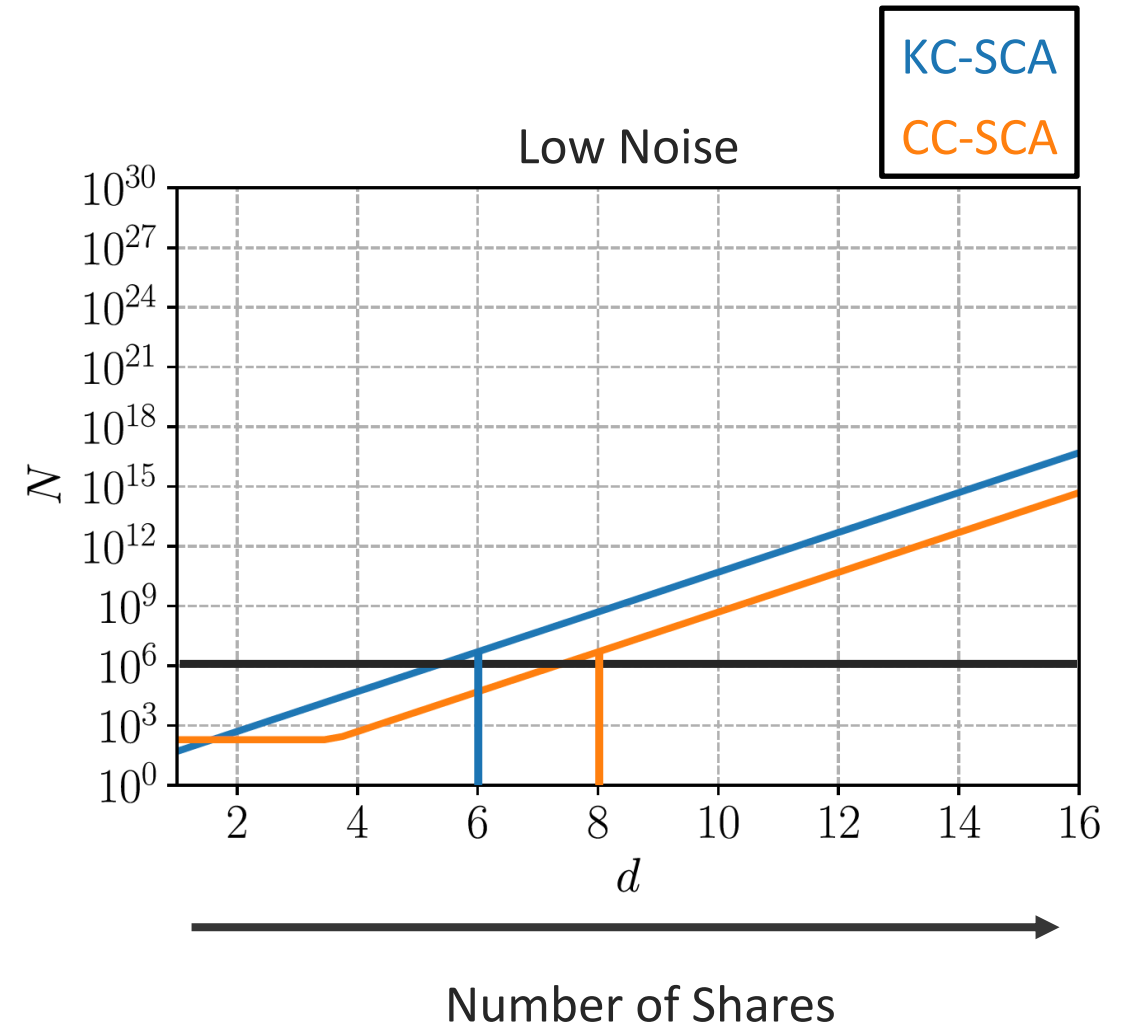


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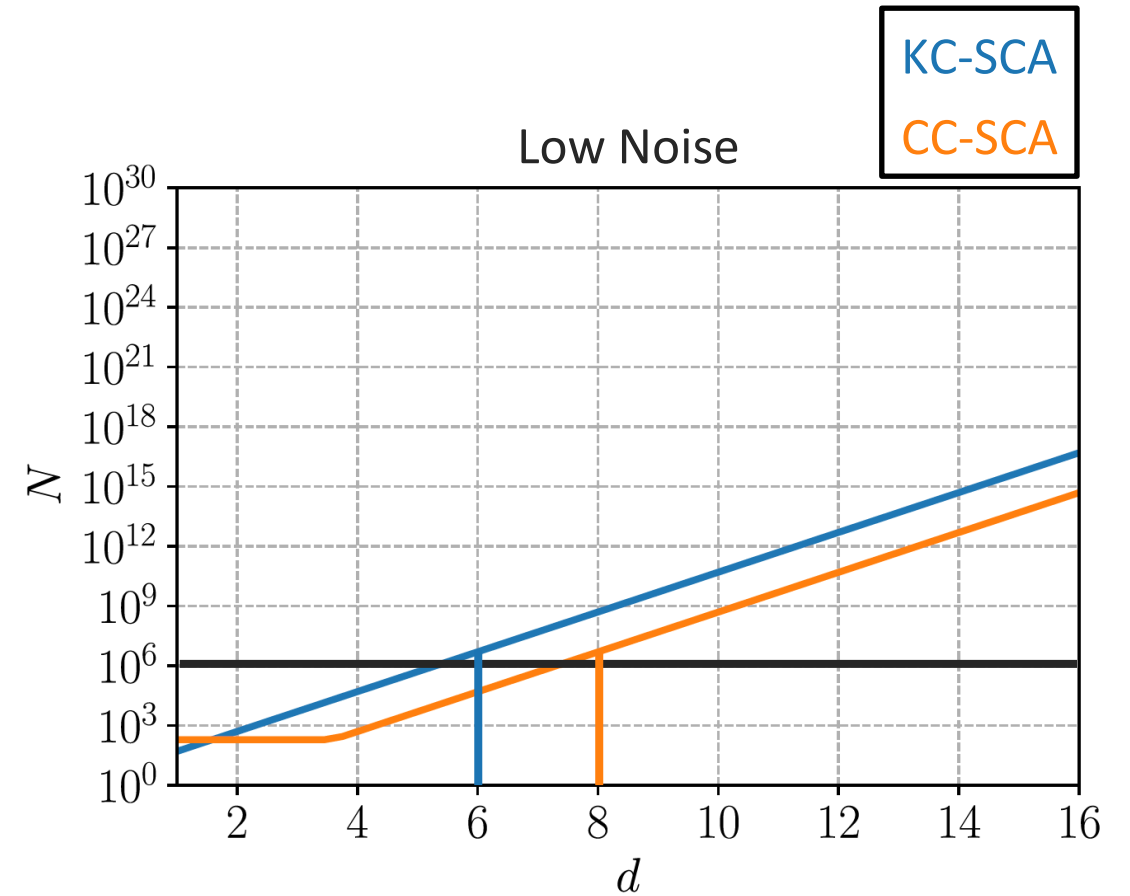
- **Known ciphertext** →  $d = 6$
- **Chosen ciphertext** →  $d = 8$

**FO leakage** causes an increase of **2** shares.

For **high(er) noise**:

- **Known ciphertext** →  $d = 2$
- **Chosen ciphertext** →  $d = 3$

**FO leakage** causes an increase of **1** share.



# SURVIVAL STRATEGIES

## Higher-Order Masking

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*(with adapted A2B)*

*Overhead compared to unprotected ( $d=1$ ):*

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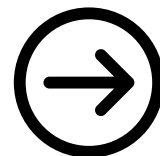
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\* For this specific implementation + board.

Requires further stack usage optimization.



Leakage caused by the FO significantly increases deployment costs of affected KEMs



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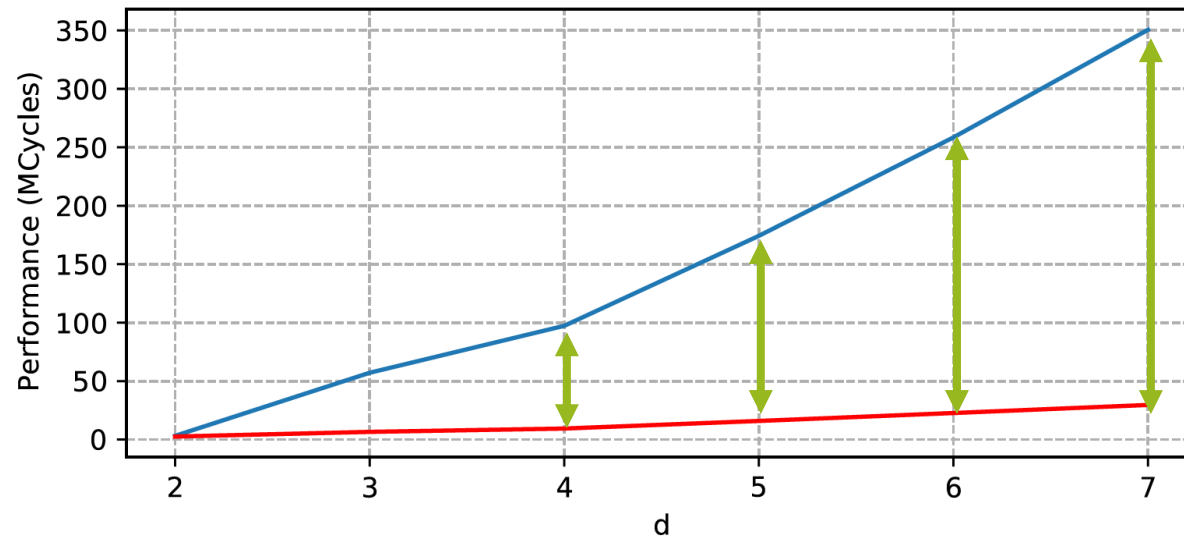
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### Example: Kyber + Dilithium



Speed-Up  
~10x



## CONCLUSIONS

Irrelevant if the quantum threat is real or not

New PQC-Standard are coming!

→ Post-quantum crypto is already being requested

For embedded platforms challenges in terms of

- Performance, memory and key-sizes
- How to efficiently achieve protection against sophisticated side-channel attacks?
- ✓ **Think about migration paths now**
- ✓ **Exciting times to work on crypto & security solutions!**

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