

Homomorphic string search with constant multiplicative depth

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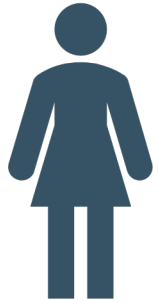
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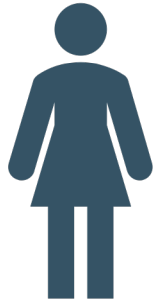


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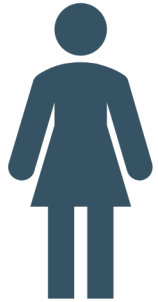


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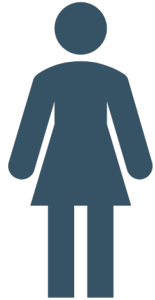


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How to work with encrypted data in the cloud?

Client



(Encrypted) inquiry



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Encrypted results



$f(\text{docs})$ 

Server



Homomorphic encryption (HE)

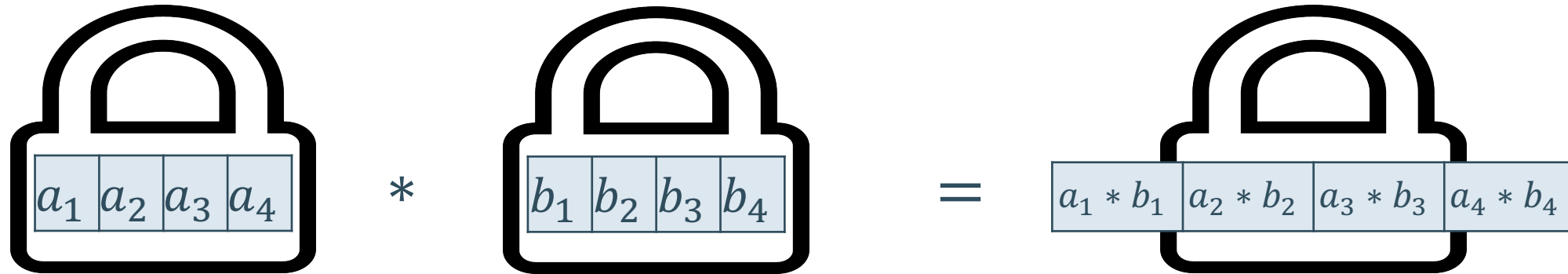
$$f(\text{lock with document}) = \text{lock with } f'(\text{document})$$


- + Low communication complexity (unlike MPC).
- + Non-interactiveness of computation (unlike MPC).
- + Universal functionality (unlike PIR, ORAM or PSI).
- + No data leakage (unlike SSE).

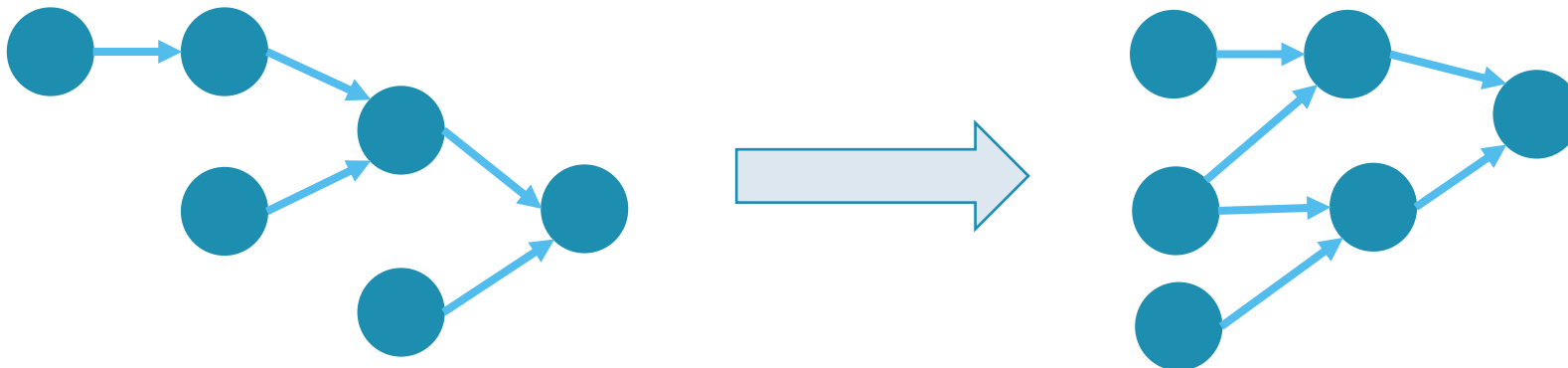
- Running time and memory overhead.

Homomorphic encryption optimisations

- SIMD Packing



- Reduction of multiplicative depth



String search

Text

T	T	G	A	G	A	G	A	C	C
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Pattern

G	A	G	A
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0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
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Our contribution

General framework for string search in HE with SIMD packing

- Preprocessing
 - Encoding of patterns and large texts into HE plaintexts
- Processing
 - String search with a multiplicative depth independent of the input length (up to 12 times faster than the state of the art)
- Postprocessing
 - Compression of string search results (reduces the communication complexity by a large constant factor)

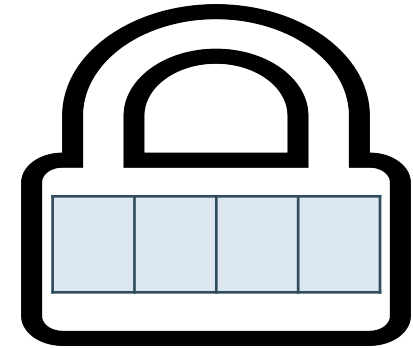
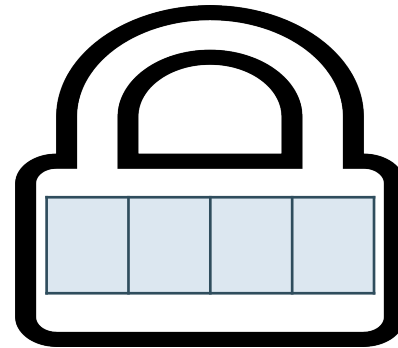
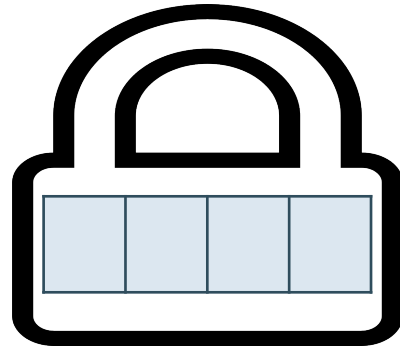
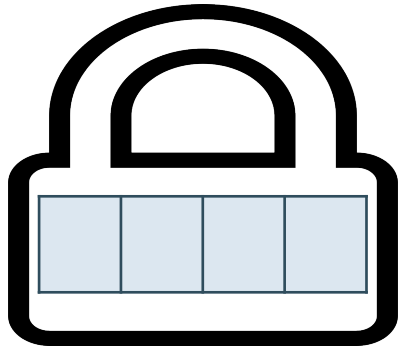
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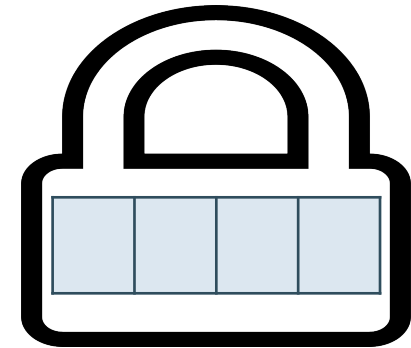
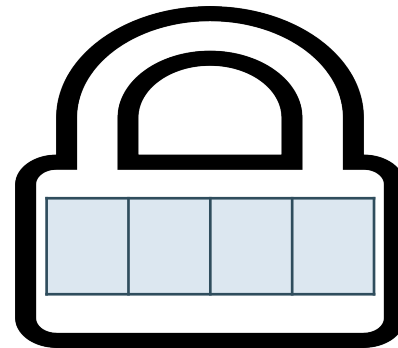
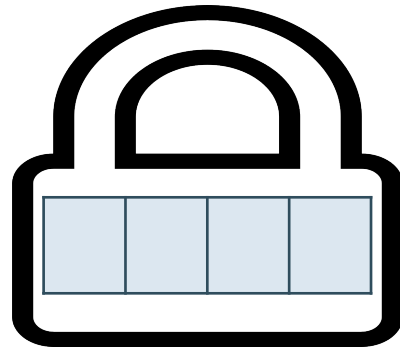
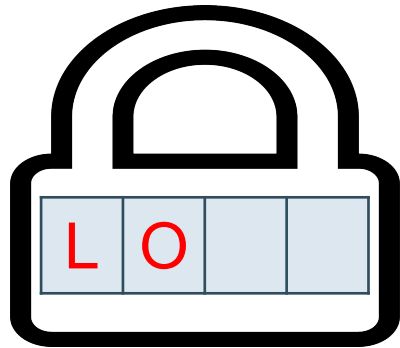
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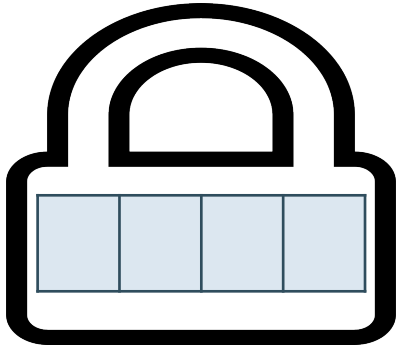
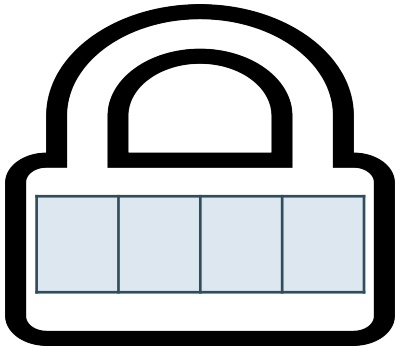
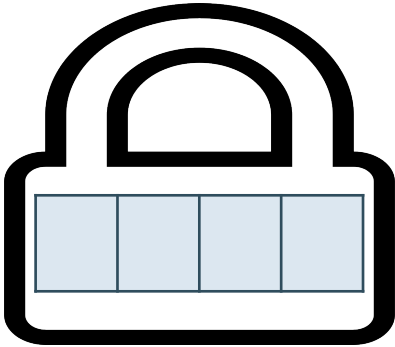
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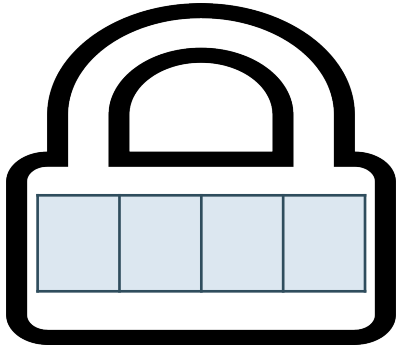
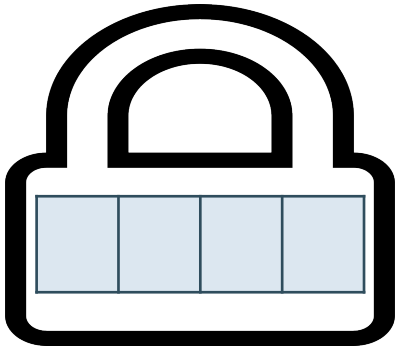
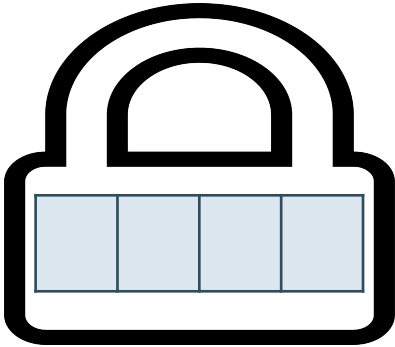
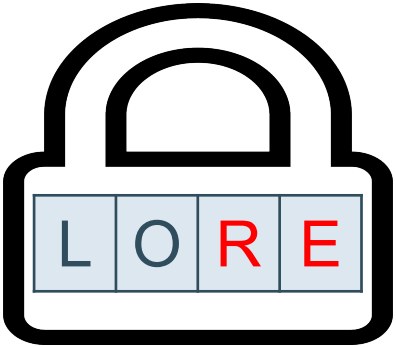
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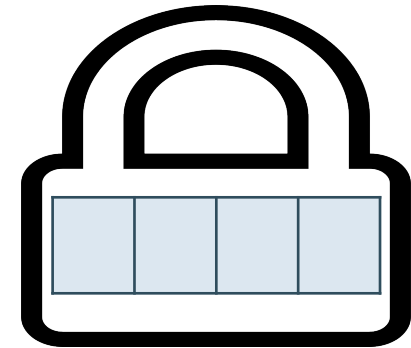
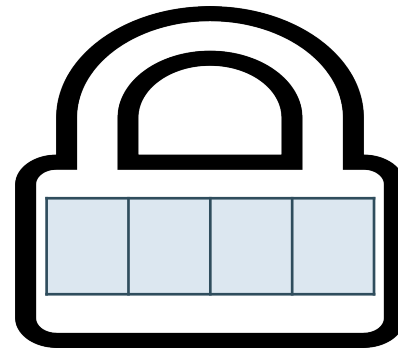
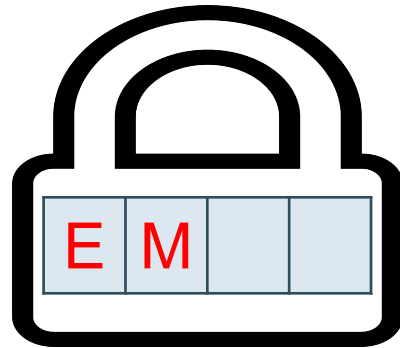
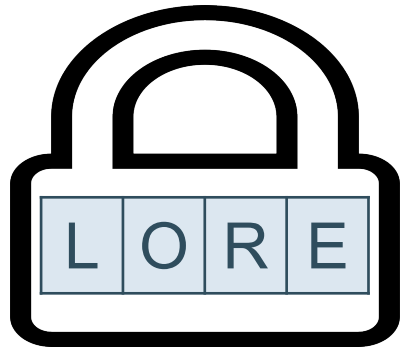
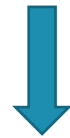
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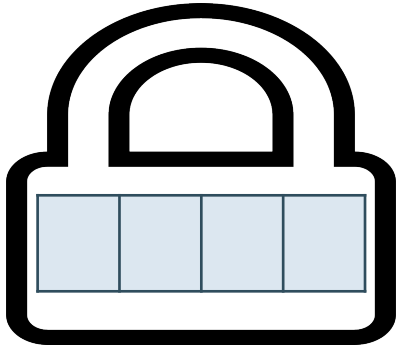
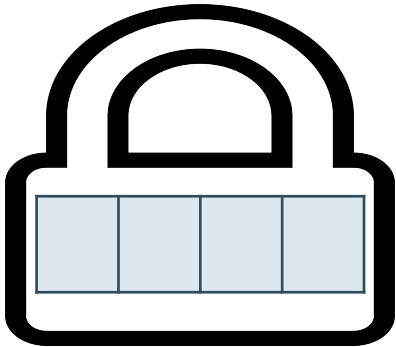
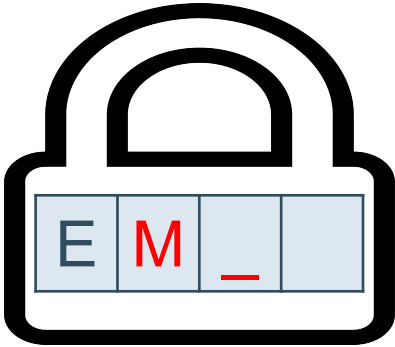
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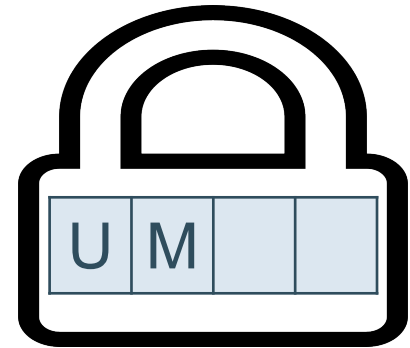
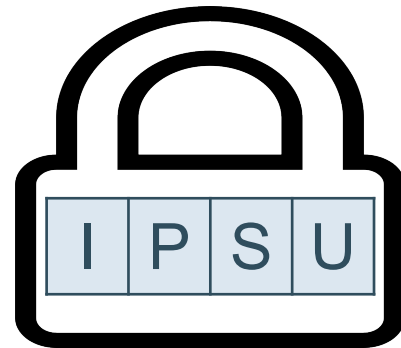
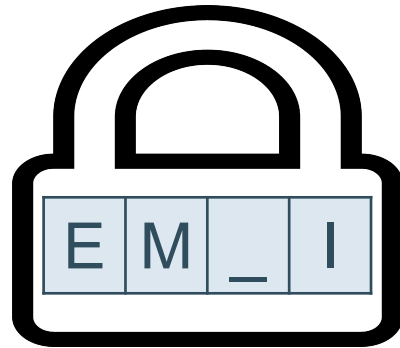
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$$r = \left\lceil \frac{|text| - |pattern| + 1}{|slots| - |pattern| + 1} \right\rceil \text{ ciphertexts are needed}$$



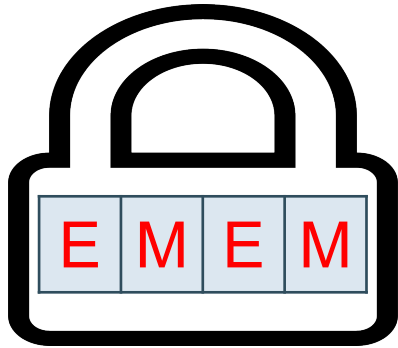
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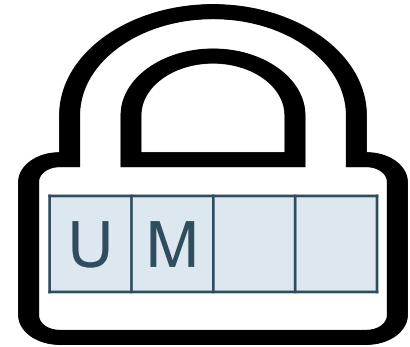
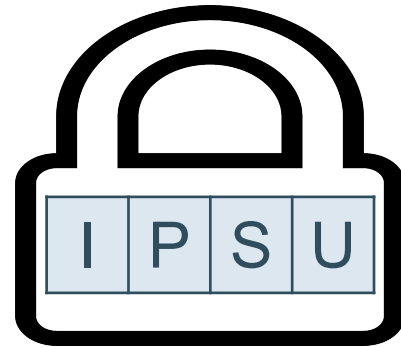
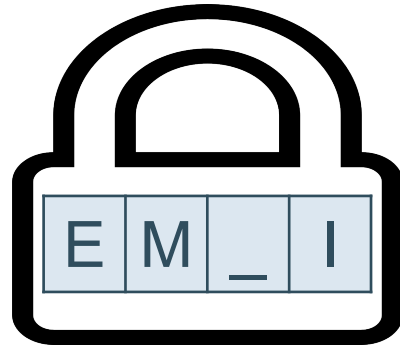
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Processing: how to match strings

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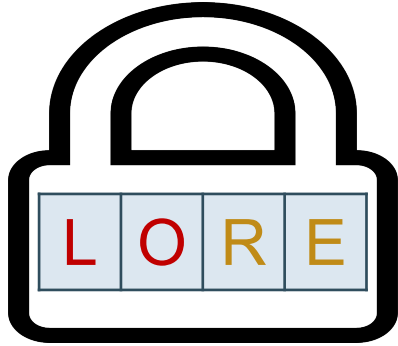


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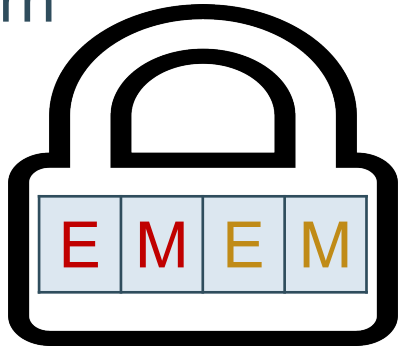


Processing: how to match strings

Text



Pattern



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Each SIMD slot is isomorphic to \mathbb{F}_q .

Thus, we need to compare vectors in $\mathbb{F}_q^{|pattern|}$.

Processing: exact matching

Text

t_1	t_2	...	t_ℓ
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 = $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\ell$

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Pattern

p_1	p_2	...	p_ℓ
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 = $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\ell$

$$EQ(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{p}) = \prod_{i=1}^{\ell} 1 - (t_i - p_i)^{q-1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{t} \neq \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{p} \end{cases}$$

Multiplicative depth depends on the pattern length ℓ .

Processing: randomized matching

Text

t_1	t_2	\dots	t_ℓ
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 = $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\ell$

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Pattern

p_1	p_2	\dots	p_ℓ
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 = $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{F}_q^\ell$

$$EQ^r(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{p}) = 1 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\ell} r_i(t_i - p_i) \right)^{q-1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{t} \neq \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & \text{if } \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{p} \end{cases} \begin{array}{l} \text{with probability } 1 - 1/q \\ \text{always} \end{array}$$

r_i is a uniformly random element of \mathbb{F}_q .

Processing: randomized matching

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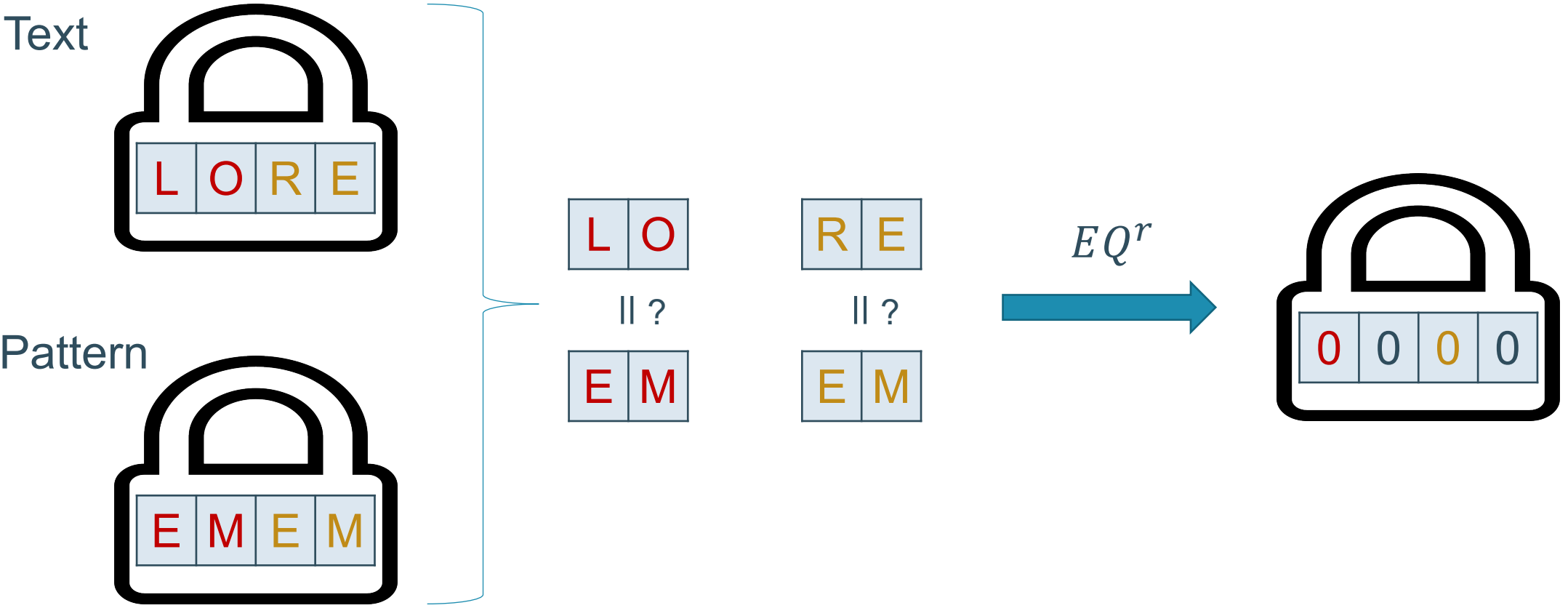
If $q = p^k$, then

$$a^{q-1} = a^{p^k-1} = a^{(p-1)(p^{k-1}+p^{k-2}+\dots+p+1)} = (a^{p-1})^{p^{k-1}} \cdot (a^{p-1})^{p^{k-2}} \dots a^{p-1}$$

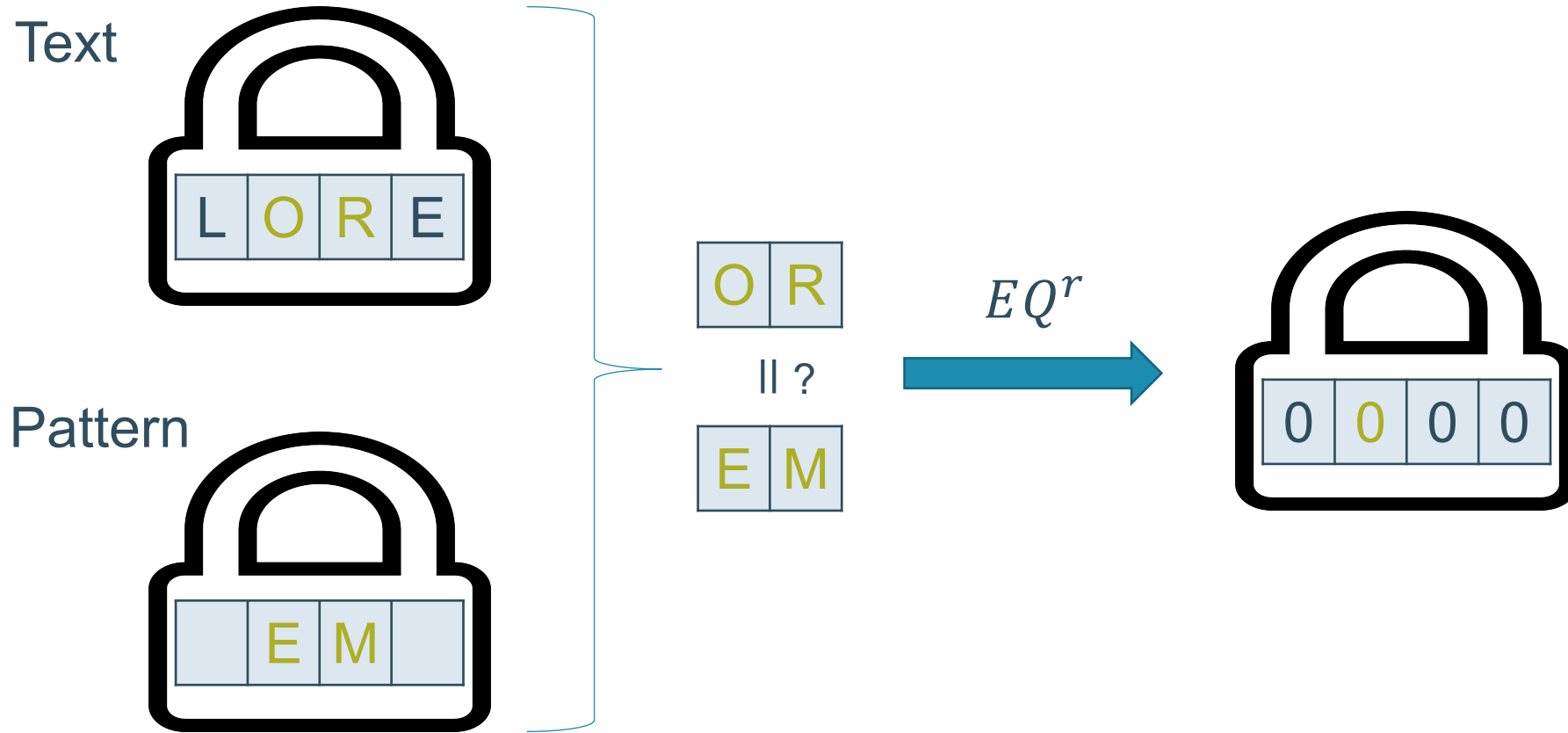
Exponentiation a^p (the Frobenius map) is free of homomorphic multiplication.

Mult. depth: $\lceil \log_2(p-1) \rceil + \lceil \log_2 k \rceil$, independent of the pattern length ℓ .

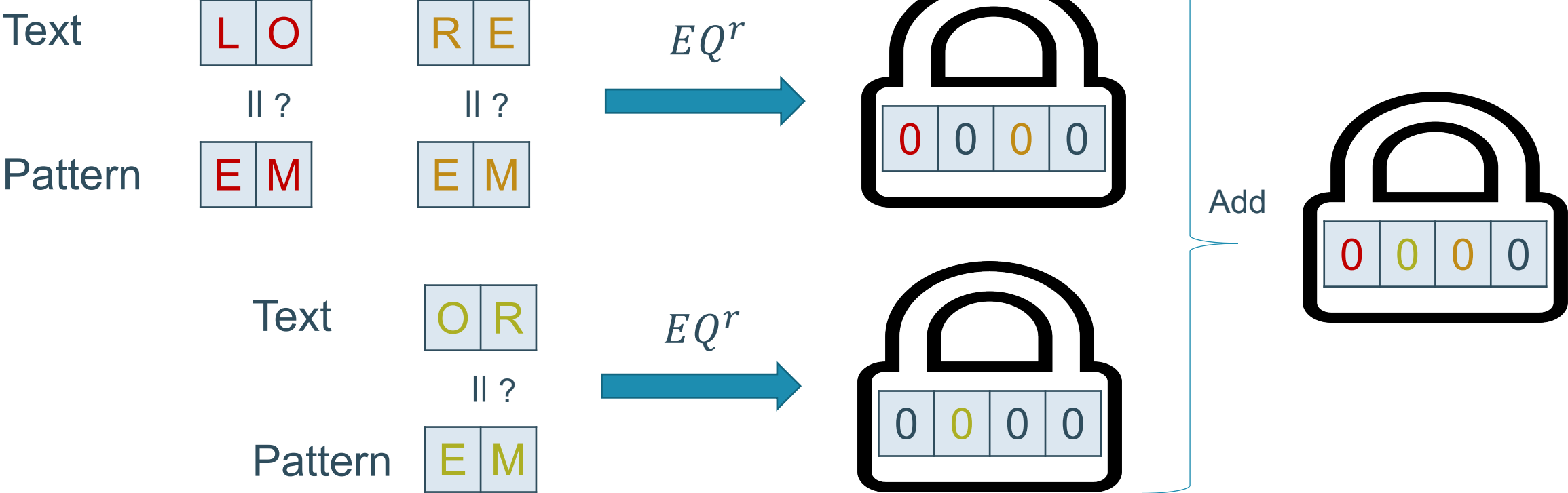
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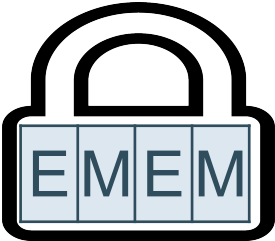
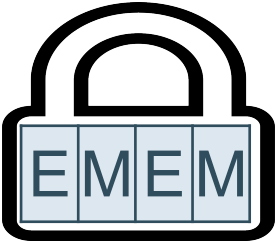


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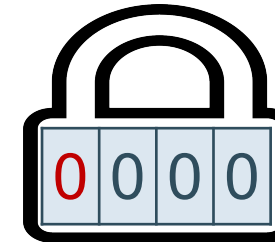
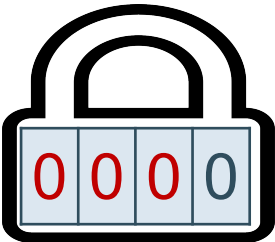
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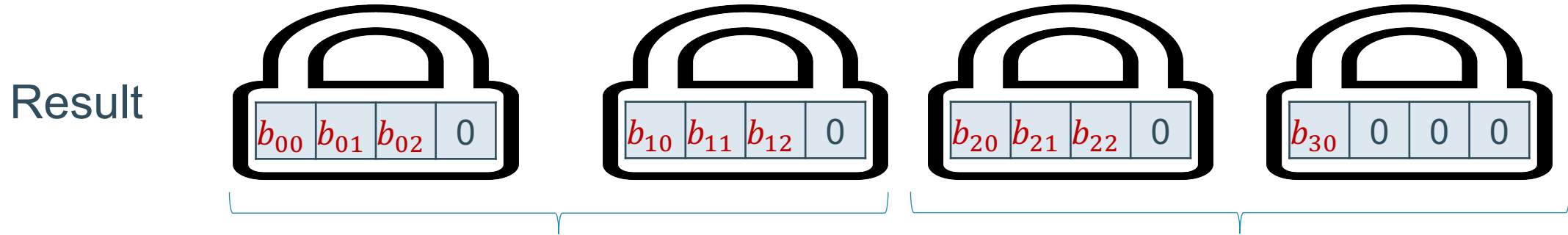
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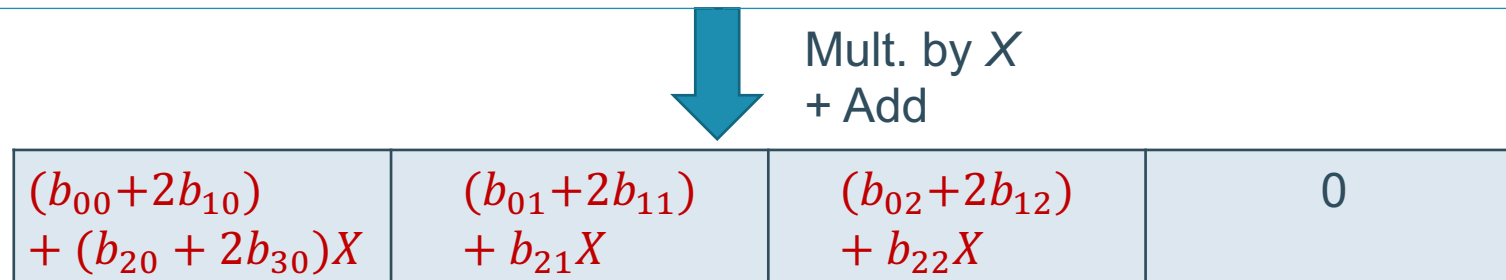
Result



Postprocessing: compression



Each SIMD slot is isomorphic to $\mathbb{F}_p[X]/(f(X))$, where $\deg(f(X)) = d$.
 Thus, we can encode $d \cdot \lfloor \log_2 p \rfloor$ bits in one slot.



Results

Text length	#ciphertexts with text	Output size, MB	Time, min	Failure probability
10000	10	0.35	52	2^{-20}
100000	97	1.69	506	2^{-17}
1000000	970	13.9	5060	2^{-14}

UTF-32 characters including wildcards are used.

The pattern length is 50.

Parallel computation takes 5 minutes in all three cases.

	Independent mult. depth	Compression	Pattern length	Failure prob. per substring	Time per bit, ms
Exact matching (Kim et al., 2017)	No	No	35 - 55	0	7.07 - 10.86
Randomized binary matching (Akavia et al., 2019)	No	No	64	$2^{-1} - 2^{-80}$	1.58 - 5.50
This work	Yes	Yes	1 - 100	$2^{-34} - 2^{-65}$	0.06 - 0.13

Thank you!

Time for Q&A!