

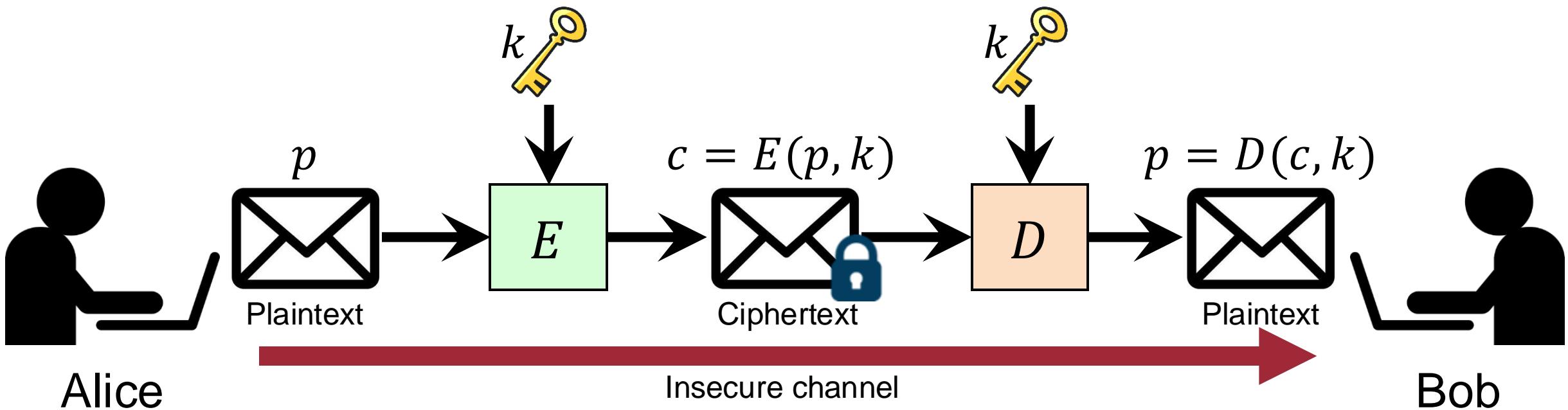
# CSE467: Computer Security

## 4. Symmetric-key Encryption (1)

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# Recap: Cryptography

- “Secret writing” in Greek
- Goal: protect your (sensitive) messages/data from eavesdropping
- The most basic building block of computer security
- Two functions: encryption ( $E$ ) and decryption ( $D$ ) parameterized by a plaintext ( $p$ ), ciphertext ( $c$ ), and cryptographic key ( $k$ )



# Recap: Kerckhoff's Principle

You should always assume that the  
***adversary knows the  
encryption/decryption algorithm!***

- Auguste Kerckhoffs



Secret!



Publicly  
known

The resistance of the cipher must be based  
only on the ***secrecy of the key***



# Recap: Caesar Cipher



- Encryption: shift each plaintext character  $k$  places forward

$E$

$$E(p, k) = (p + k) \bmod 26$$

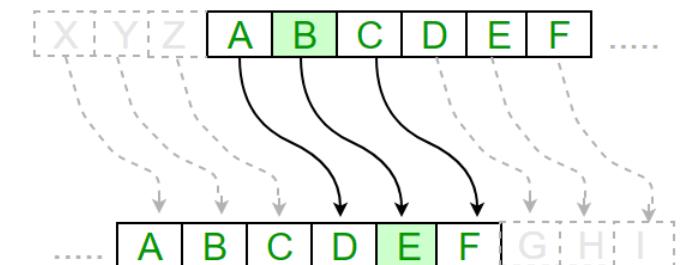
$D$

$$D(c, k) = (c - k) \bmod 26$$



Q. How many other keys could be chosen?

Q. Robust enough?



# Recap: Substitution Cipher



- One-to-one mapping (bijection)

- Example:

- Plaintext: eungyeongbaek

- Key: Substitution mapping table



a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
q	w	e	r	t	y	u	i	o	p	a	s	d	f	g	h	j	k	l	z	x	c	v	b	n	m

- Ciphertext: txfuntgfuwqta

- Key space?

- $26! \approx 2^{88} \approx 4 \times 10^{26}$

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# Recap: Vigenere Cipher

- Encryption: poly-alphabetic **shift**

**E**

$$E(p, k) = (p_i + k_i) \bmod 26$$

**D**

$$D(c, k) = (c_i - k_i) \bmod 26$$

- Example

– Plaintext:

tellhimaboutme

– Key (repeated):

cafecafecafeca

– Ciphertext:

veqpjiredozxoe

Invented in 16<sup>th</sup> century  
and had been unbreakable  
for hundreds of years!

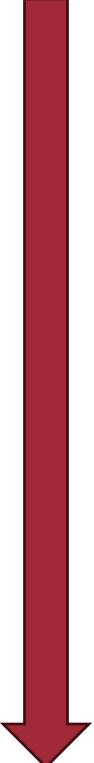


Problems?

- Letters are mapped to different ciphertexts:** smooth out the frequency distribution in ciphertext

# Recap: Adversary Assumptions



- What are the adversary capabilities?
  - Attacker capabilities (in order of increasing attack power)
    - **Ciphertext-only attack**: most basic attack
    - **Known-plaintext attack**: attacker obtains certain plaintext/ciphertext pairs
    - **Chosen-plaintext attack**: attacker obtains plaintext/ciphertext pairs for plaintext of its choice
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# Recap: Brute Force Search



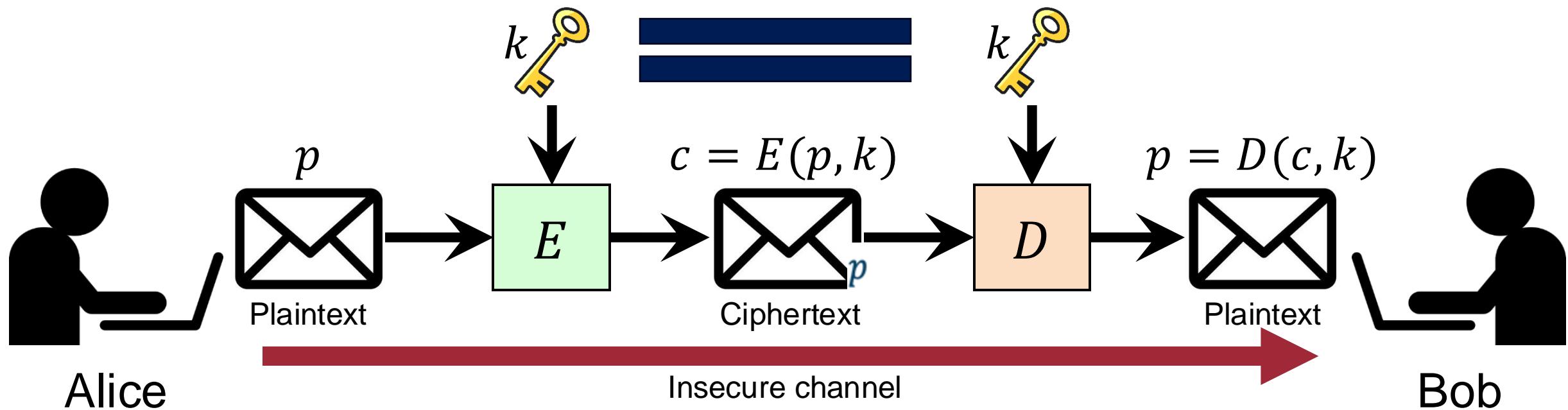
- Always possible to simply try every key!
- Therefore, the key should be secure against **exhaustive key search!**

Key size (Bits)	# of alternative keys	Time required at 1 decryption/μs	Time required at $10^6$ decryption/μs
32	$2^{32} = 4.3 \times 10^9$	$2^{31} \mu\text{s} = 5.8$ minutes	2.15 milliseconds
56	$2^{56} = 7.2 \times 10^{16}$	$2^{55} \mu\text{s} = 1,142$ years	10.01 hours
128	$2^{128} = 3.4 \times 10^{38}$	$2^{127} \mu\text{s} = 5.4 \times 10^{24}$ years	$5.4 \times 10^{18}$ years
168	$2^{168} = 3.7 \times 10^{50}$	$2^{167} \mu\text{s} = 5.9 \times 10^{36}$ years	$5.9 \times 10^{30}$ years

# Today's Topic: Symmetric-key Encryption

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- **Symmetric:** the encryption and decryption keys are *the same*
- Plaintexts and ciphertexts are all bit vectors from now on (for simplicity!)



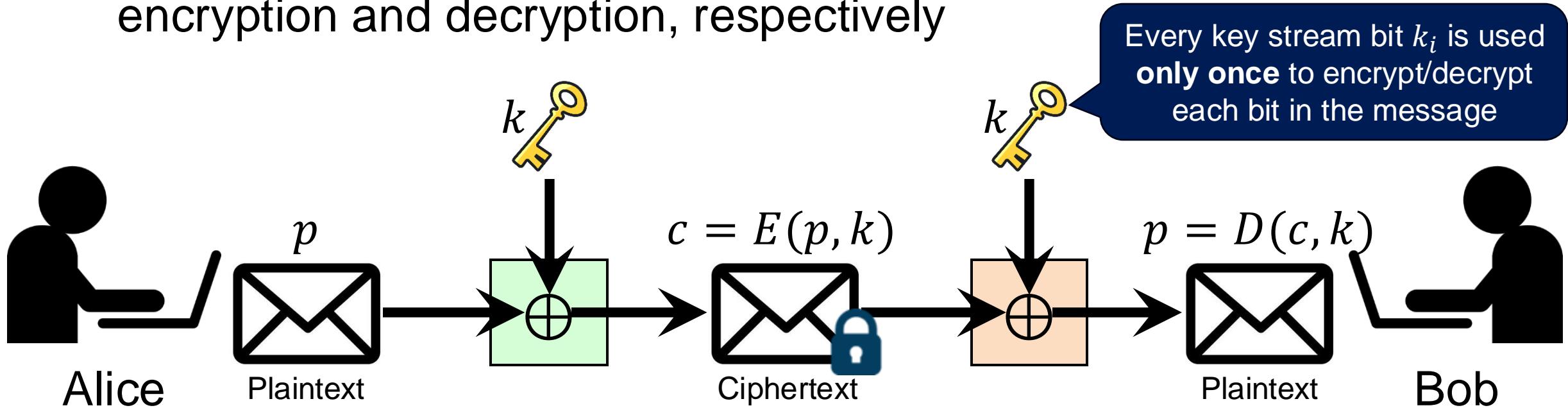
# Stream Ciphers vs. Block Ciphers

- How the data gets encrypted?
  - **Stream ciphers** encrypt bits individually
    - E.g., One-time Pad, RC4, ...
  - **Block ciphers** encrypt fixed-length groups of bits, *called blocks*, at a time, applying the algorithm to the each block
    - Used in most modern algorithms
    - E.g., DES, Triple-DES, AES, ...

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- Let a message  $p$  be of length  $n$  bits
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Every key stream bit  $k_i$  is used  
**only once** to encrypt/decrypt  
each bit in the message

The One-time Pad (OTP) is *unconditionally secure*  
(i.e., cannot be broken even with infinite computational resources)  
=> Then, what is the main drawback of OTP?

# Limitations of One Time Pad



- The OTP (i.e., key) should be **truly random**
- The OTP should be at least **as long as the message**
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Reusing a  
fixed-length key

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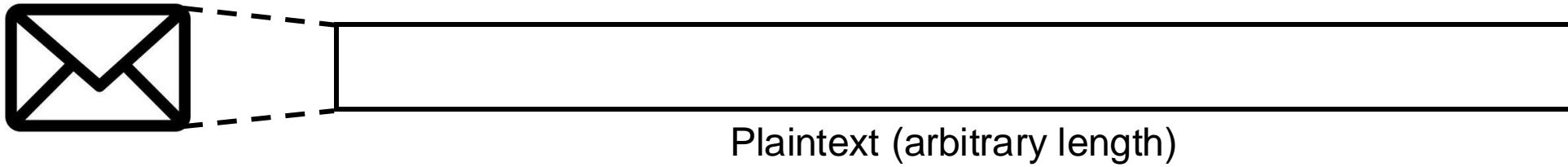
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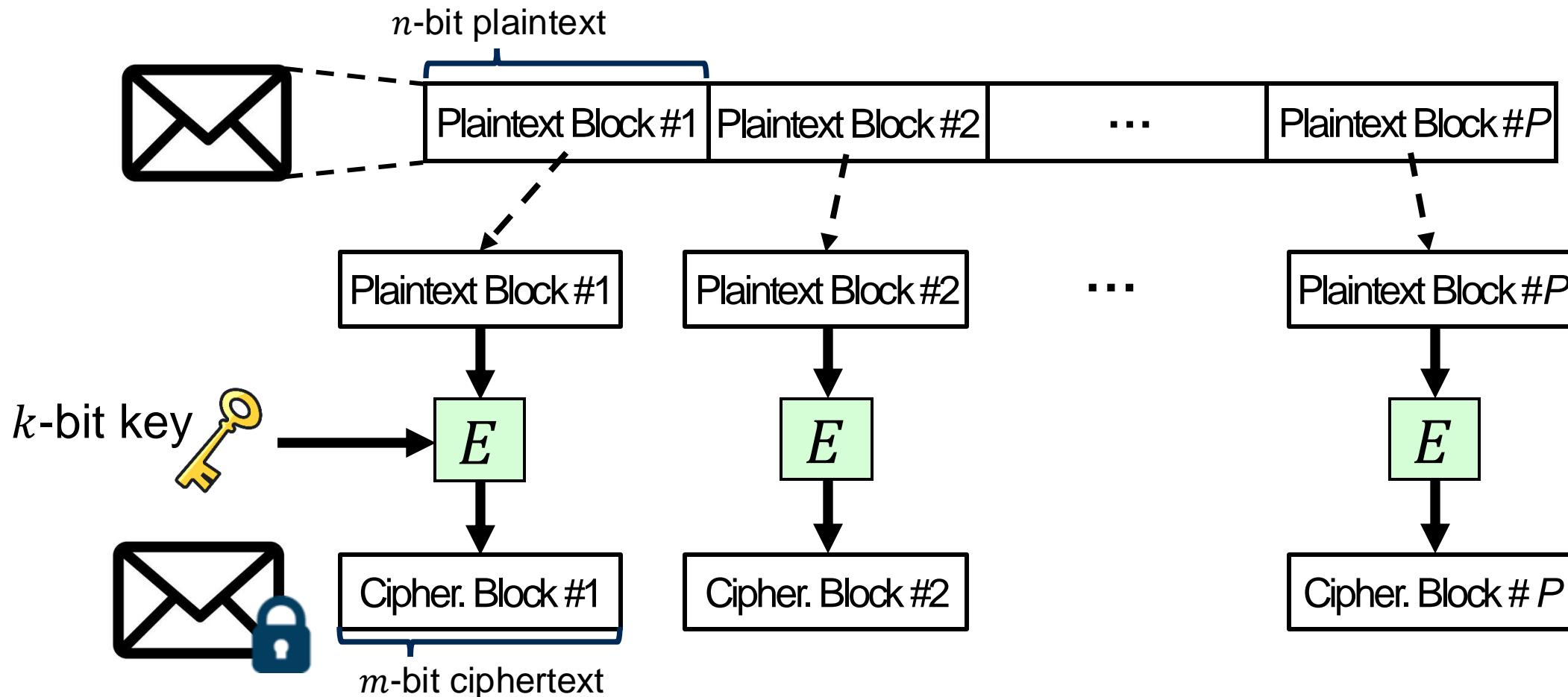
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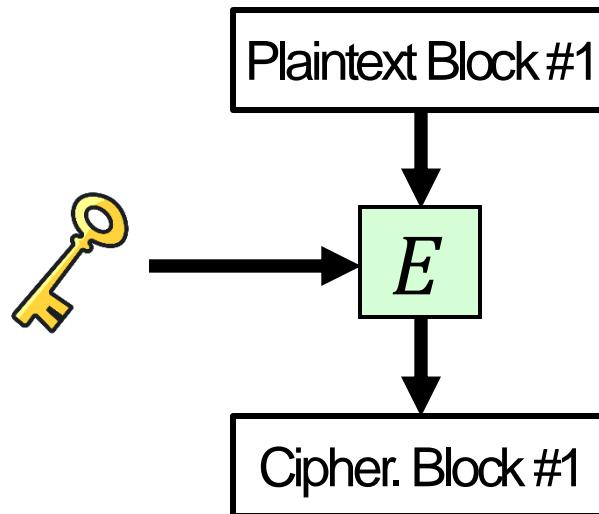
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# Components of a Modern Block Cipher

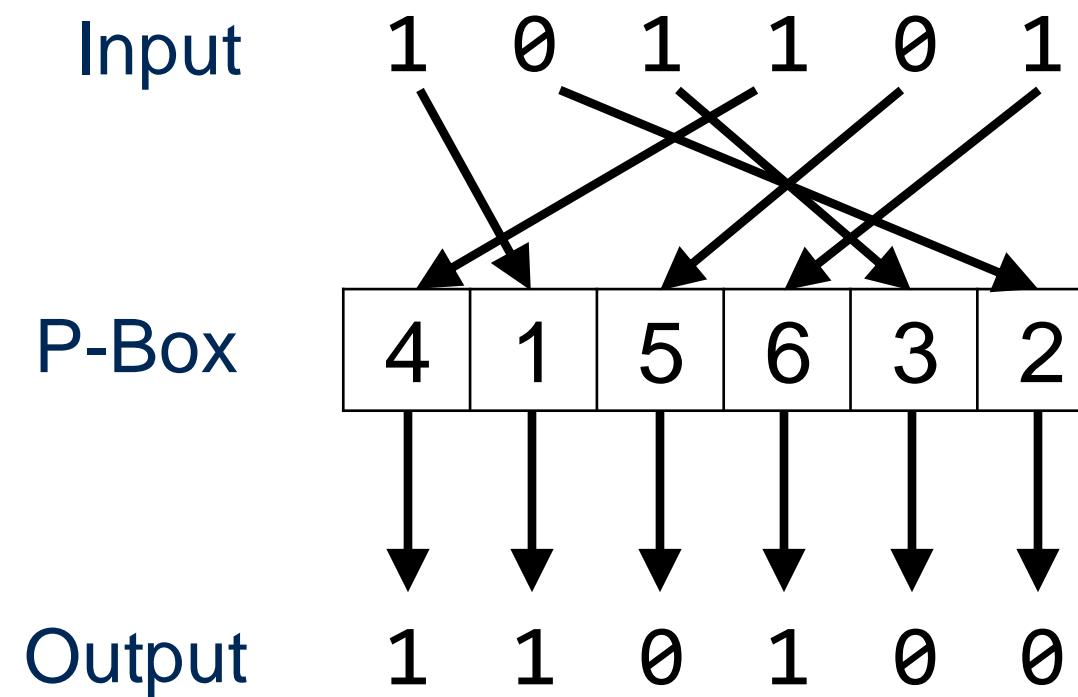
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- A modern block ciphers are usually made of combination of
  - **Transposition cipher (called P-box)**
  - **Substitution cipher (called S-box),**
  - **Some other units (e.g., XOR, circular shift, swap, split, and combine)**



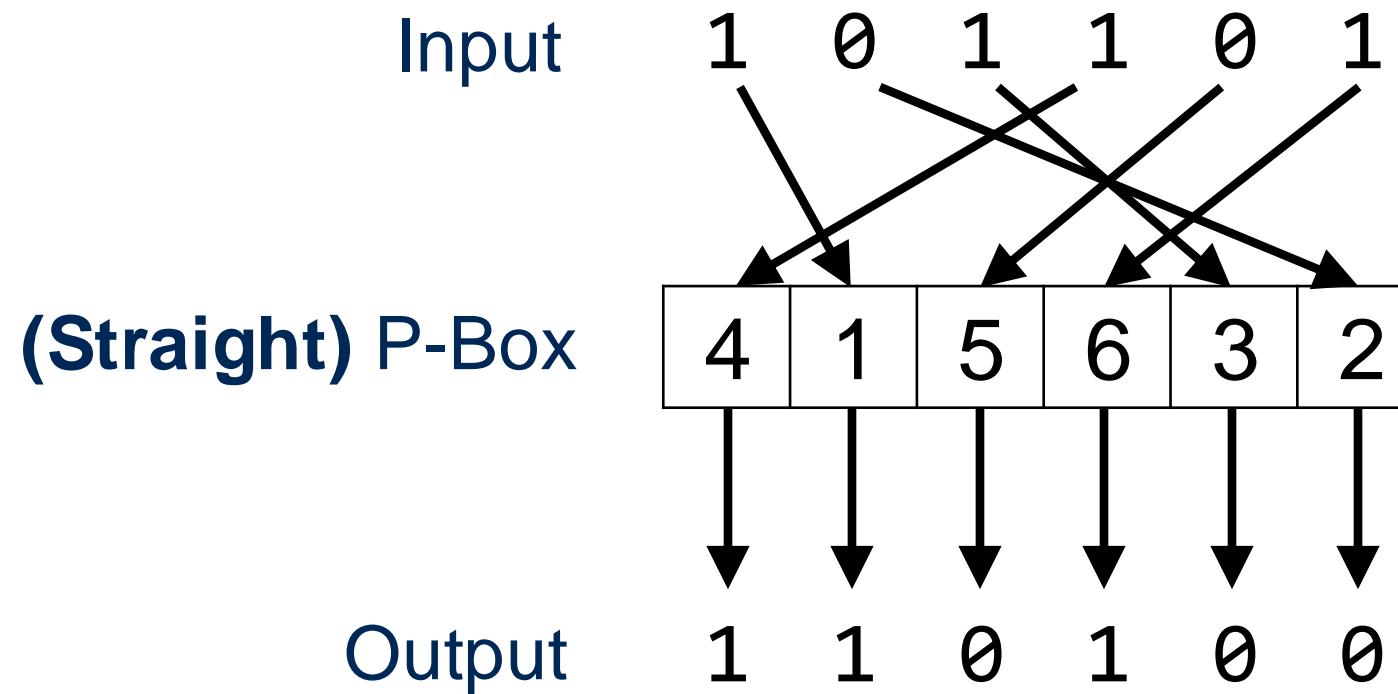
# Transposition Cipher (P-Box)

- A P-box (permutation box) parallels the traditional transposition cipher. It transposes bits.



# Three Types of P-Boxes

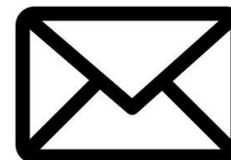
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# Exercise: Invertibility



- Invert a P-box (used for decryption)



1 0 1 1 0 1

Original P-Box  
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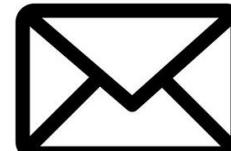
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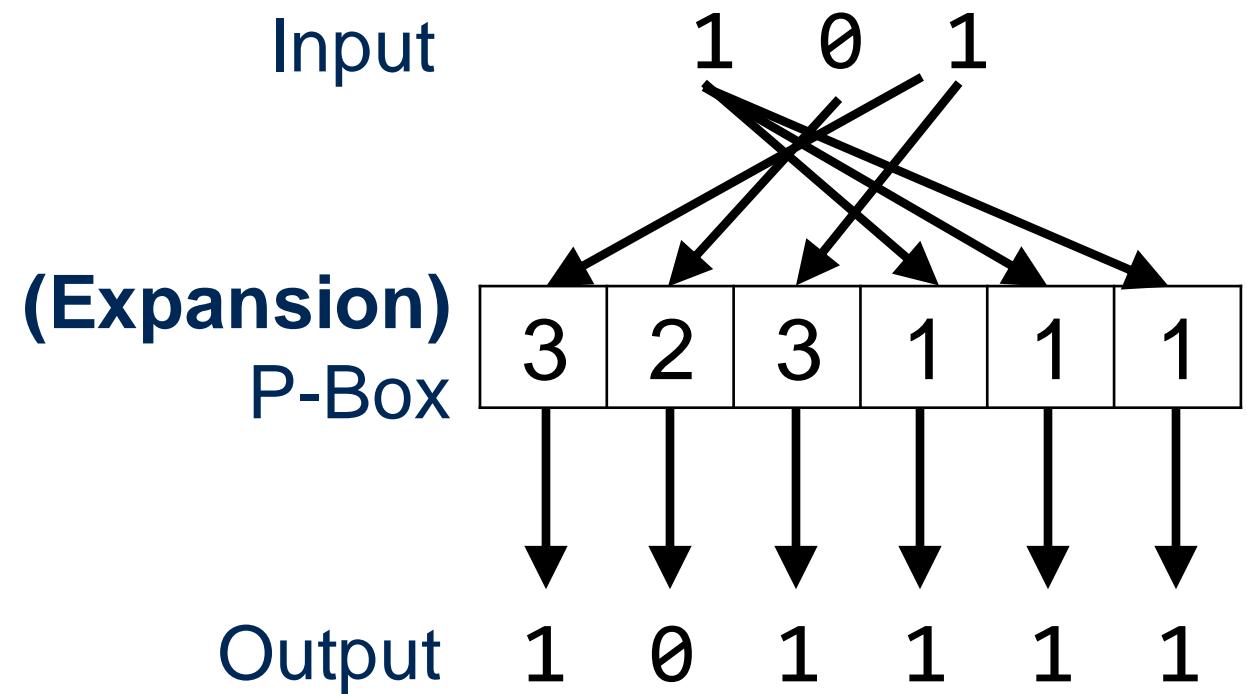
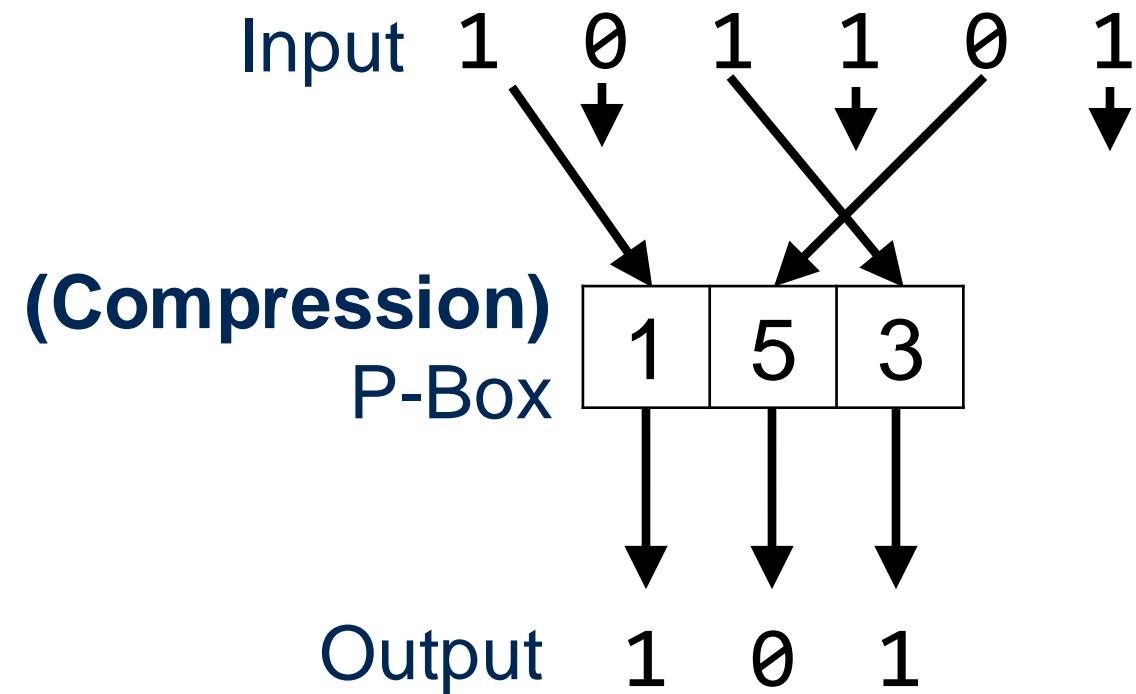


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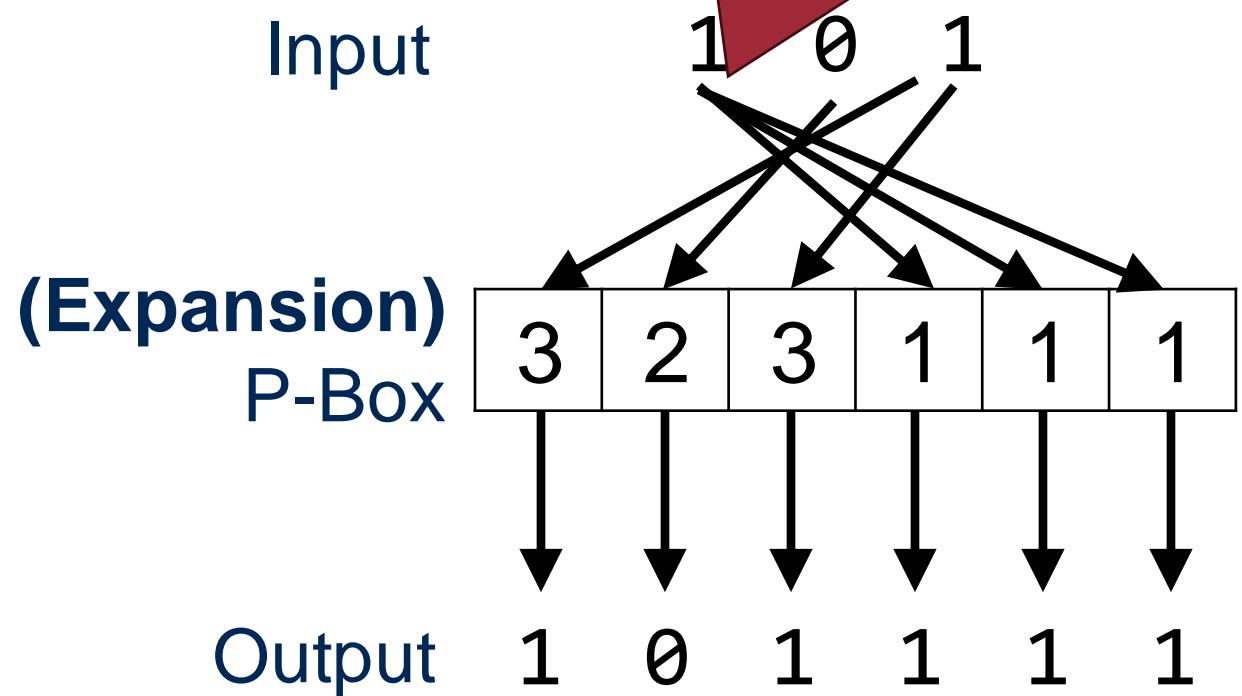
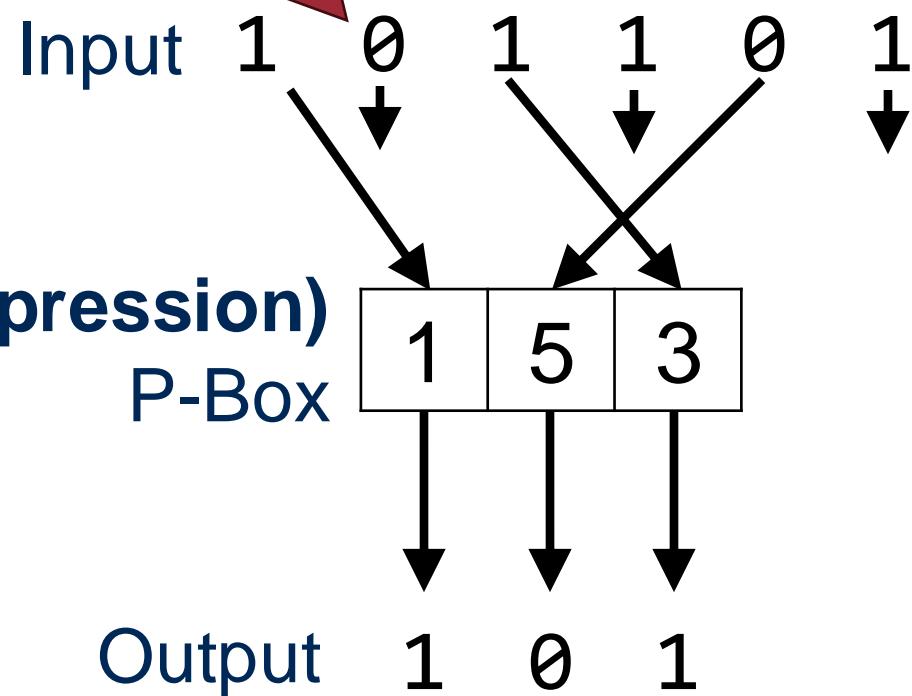


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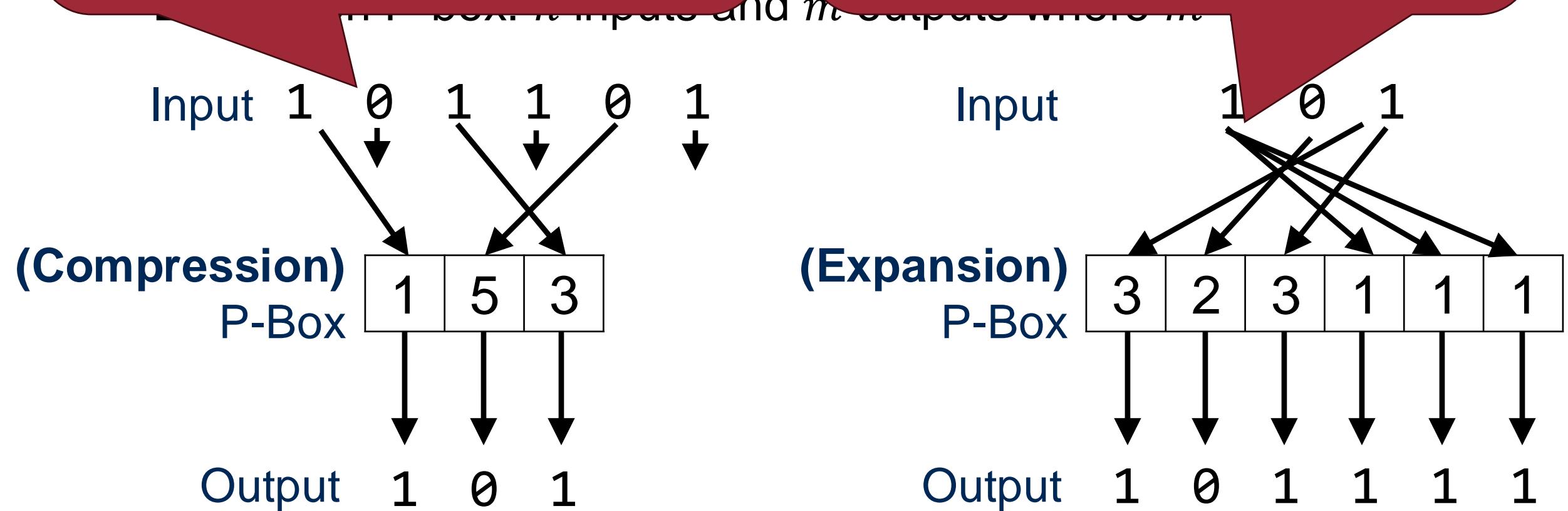
An input can be mapped to ***more than one output***

=> The decryption algorithm does not have a clue *which of the several inputs are mapped to an output*



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*However, there are ciphers that use compression or expansion P-boxes*



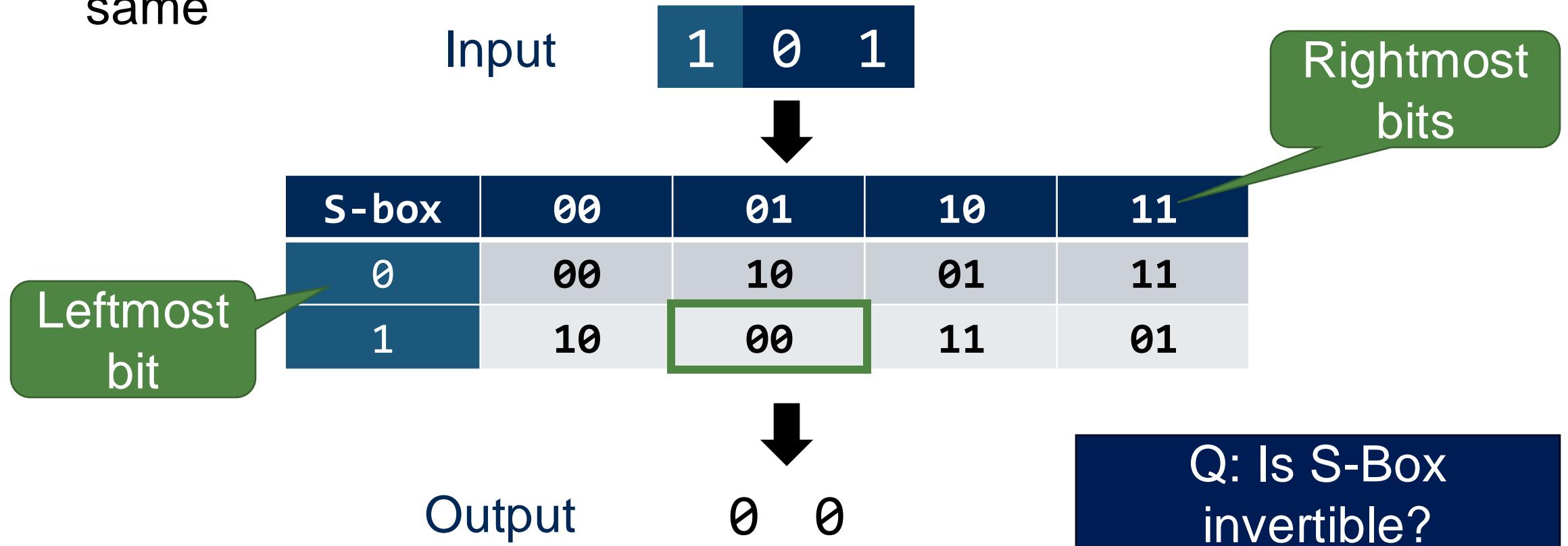
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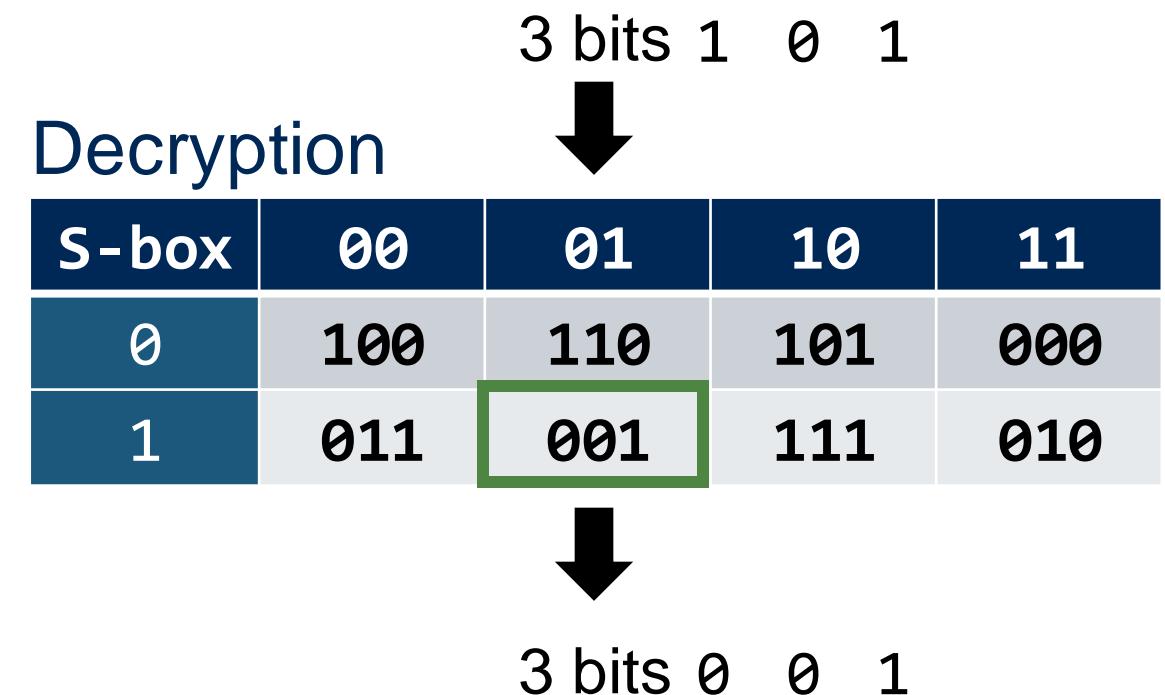
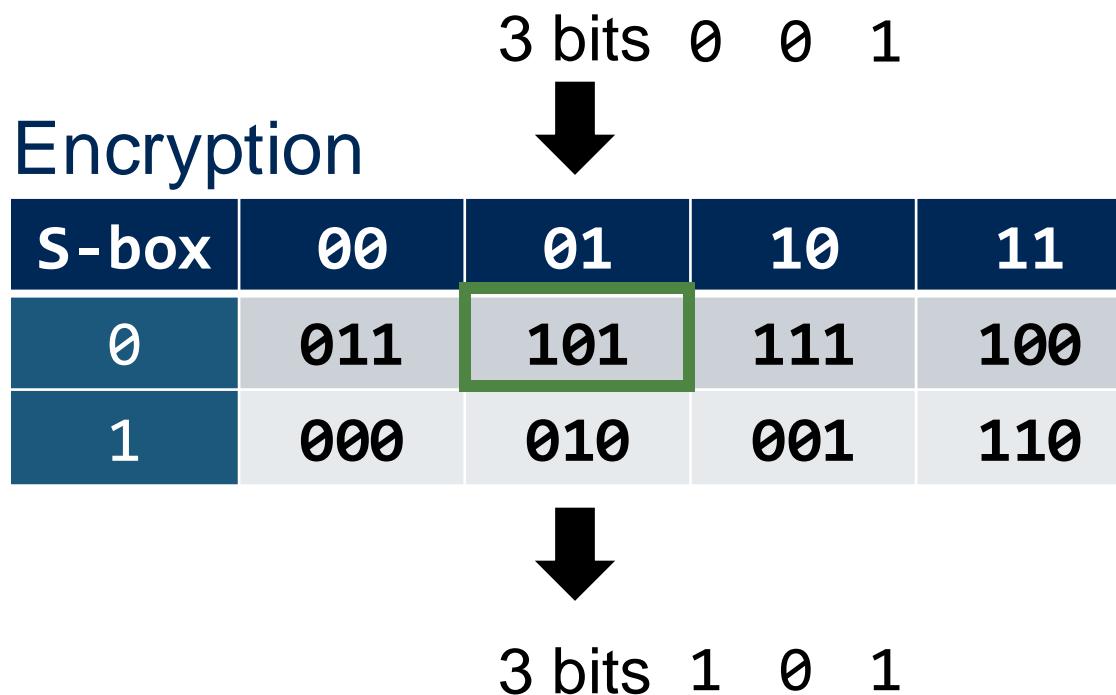
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# Invertibility of S-Boxes



- An S-box *may or may not* be invertible
- In an invertible S-box, the number of input bits should be the same as the number of output bits
- E.g., invertible S-Boxes



# Exclusive-Or (XOR)

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- An important component in most block ciphers
- Invertible operation

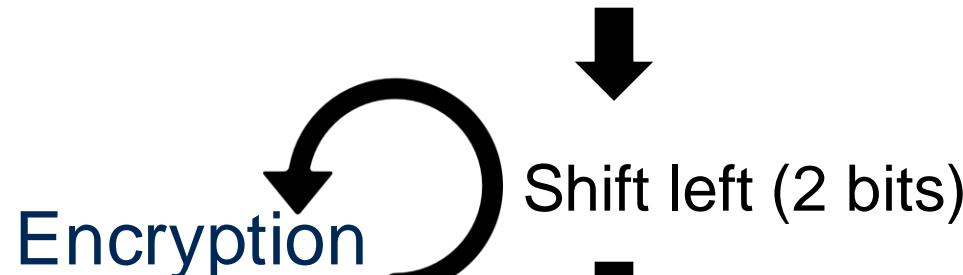
# Circular Shift

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- Recall the Caesar Cipher
- Invertible operation

Input

1	1	1	1	0	1
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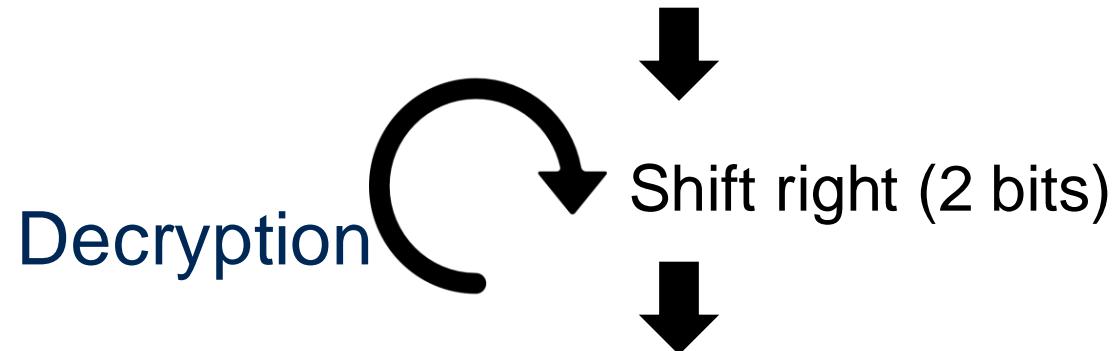


Output

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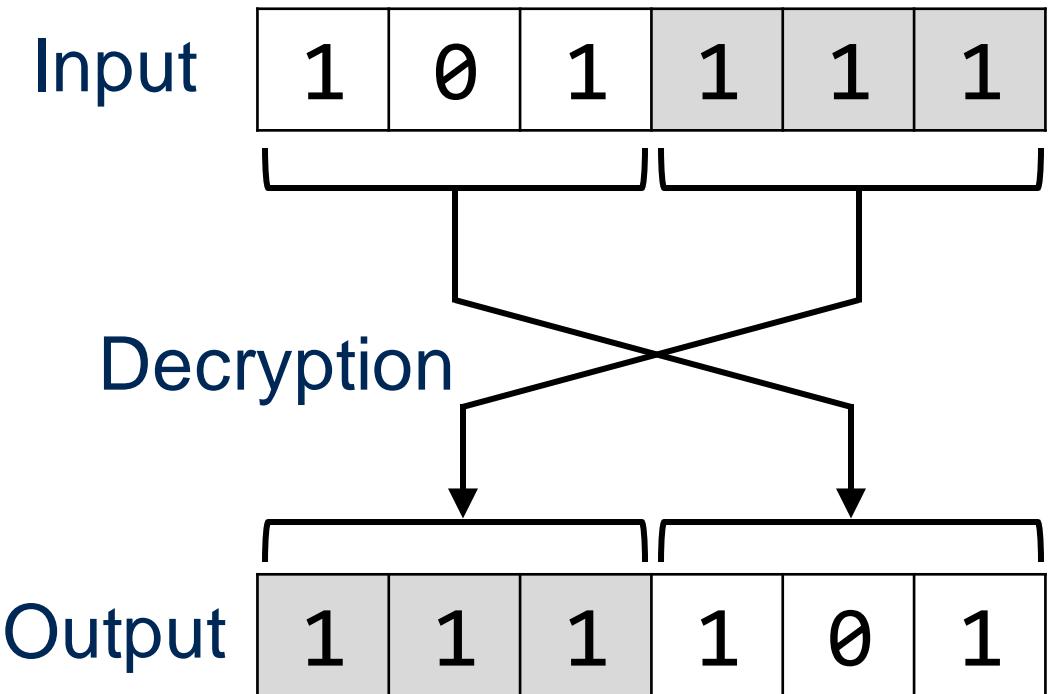
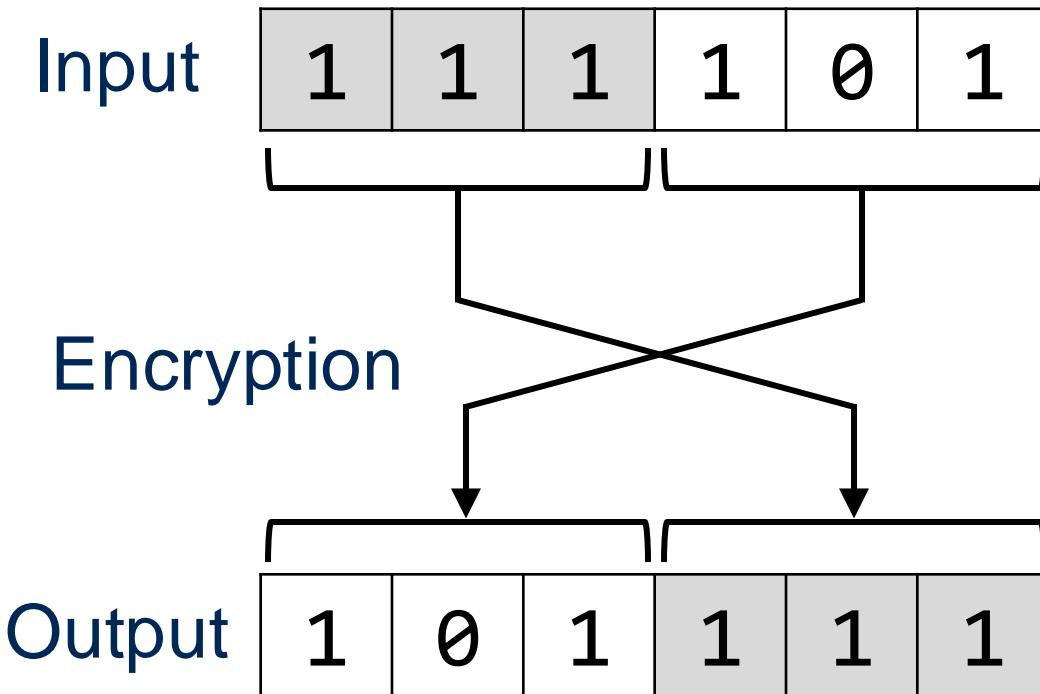
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# Swap



- A special case of the circular shift operation where  $k = n/2$
- Invertible operation



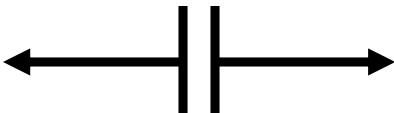
# Split and Combine

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- Invertible operations

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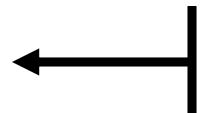
Encryption 

Output

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1	0	1

Input

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1	0	1

Decryption 

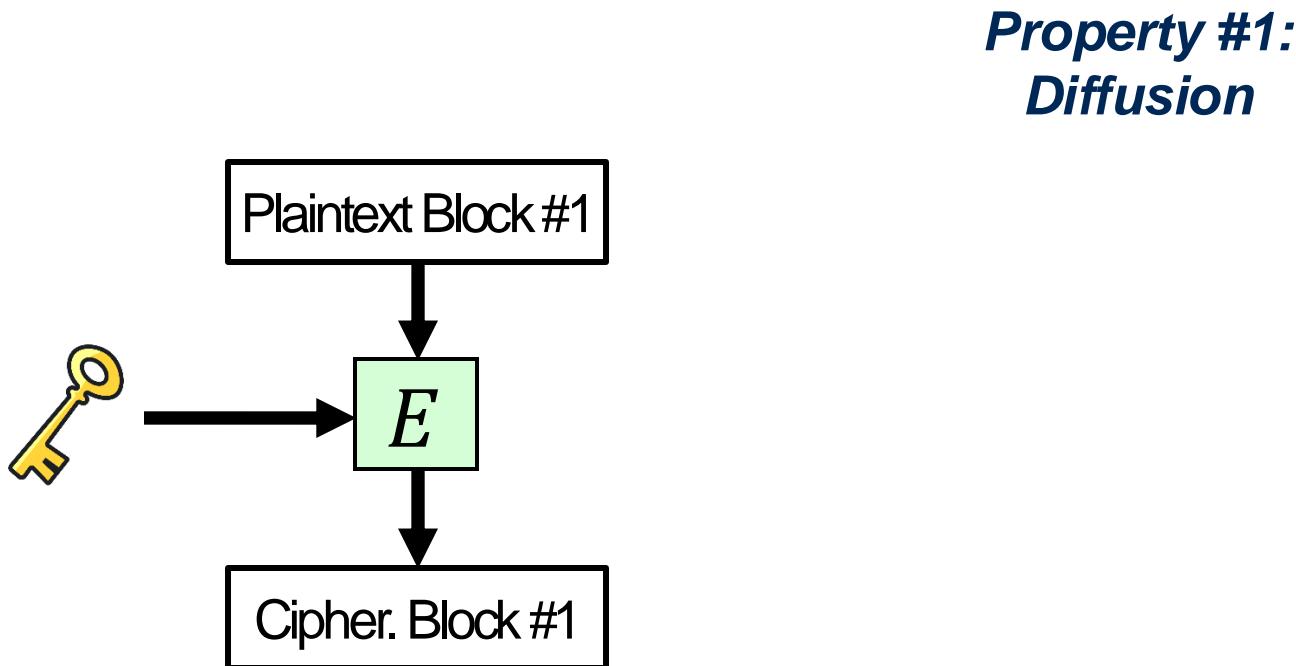
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# Design Principles for Block Ciphers

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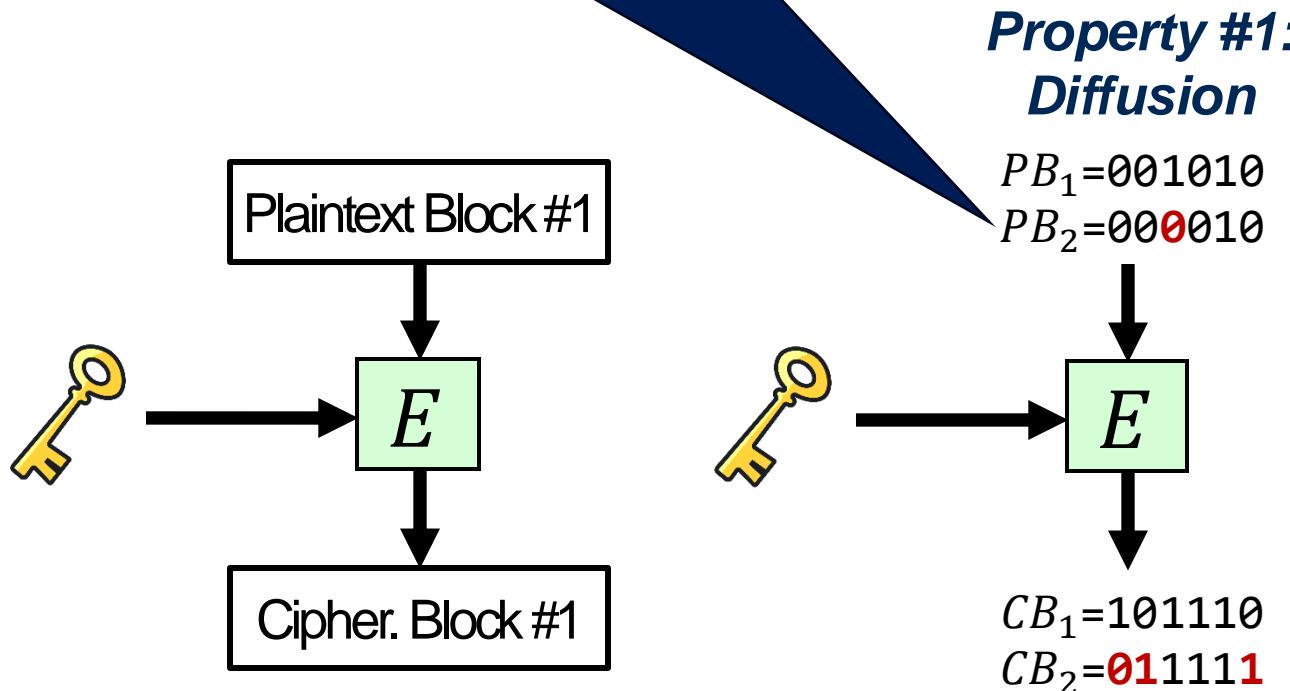
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# Recall: Chosen-Plaintext Attack (CPA)



- ✓ The bit we vary is consistently negated
- ✓ As one bit varies, the remaining ones are left unchanged

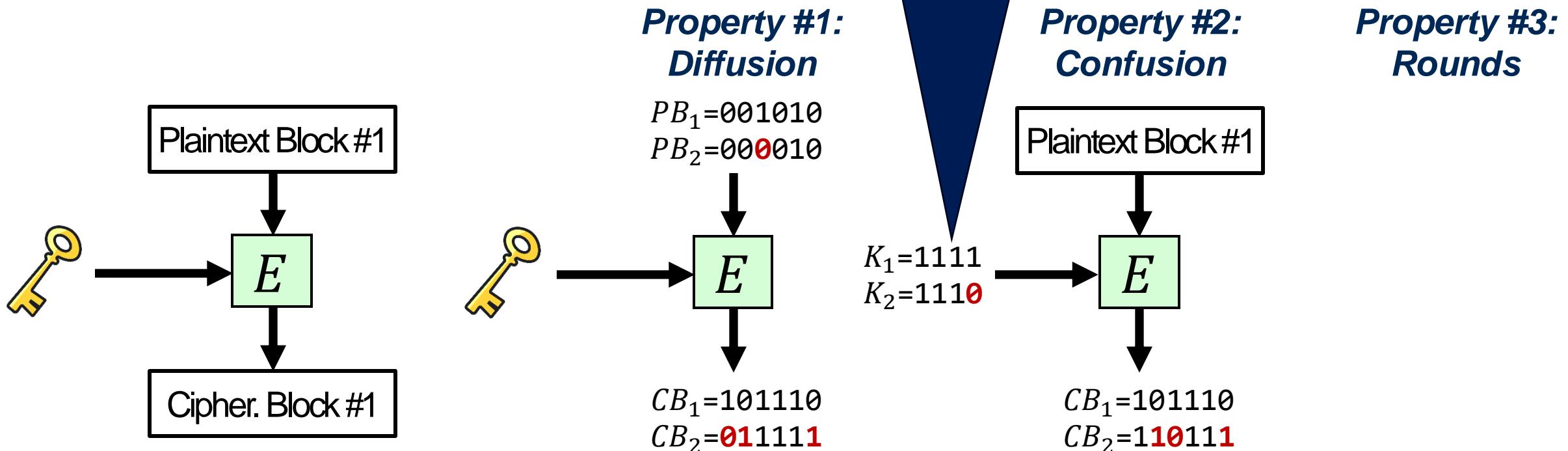


	Plaintext	Ciphertext
Try #1	11111	01001
Try #2	11110	01000
Try #3	11101	01011
Try #4	11011	01101
Try #5	10111	00001
Try #6	01111	11001

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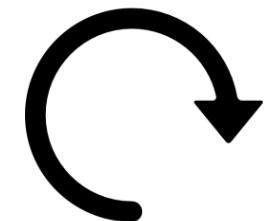
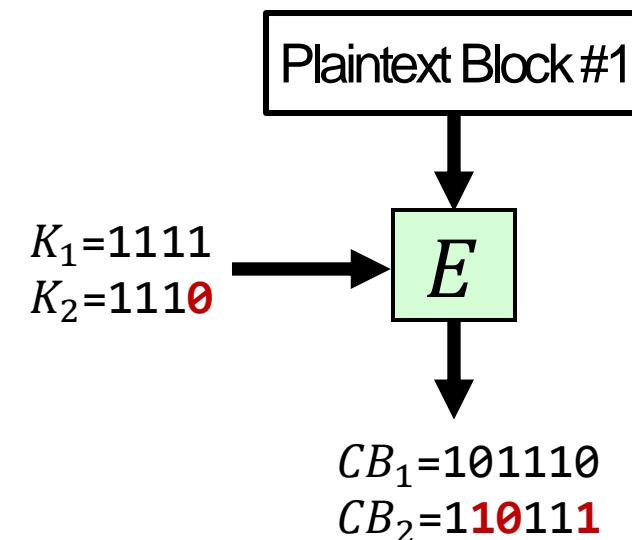
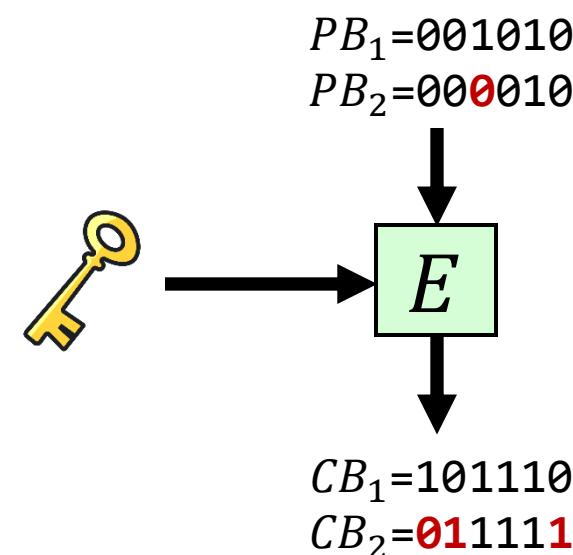
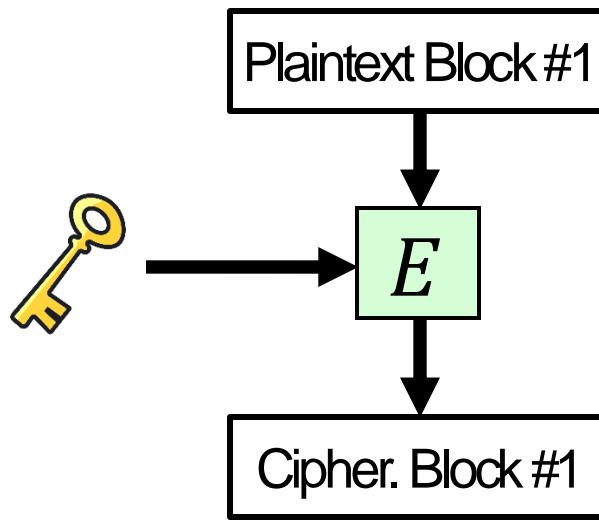
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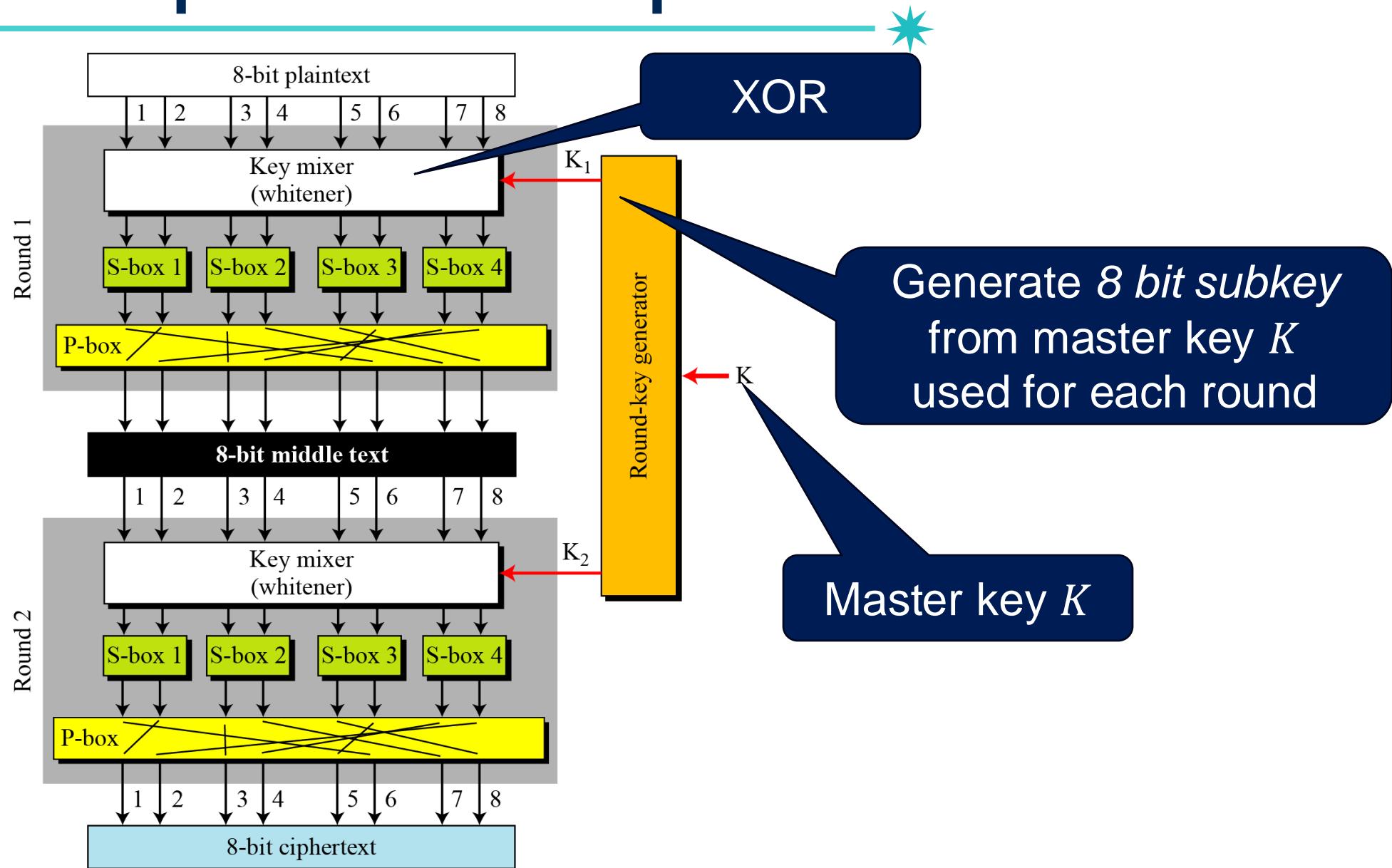
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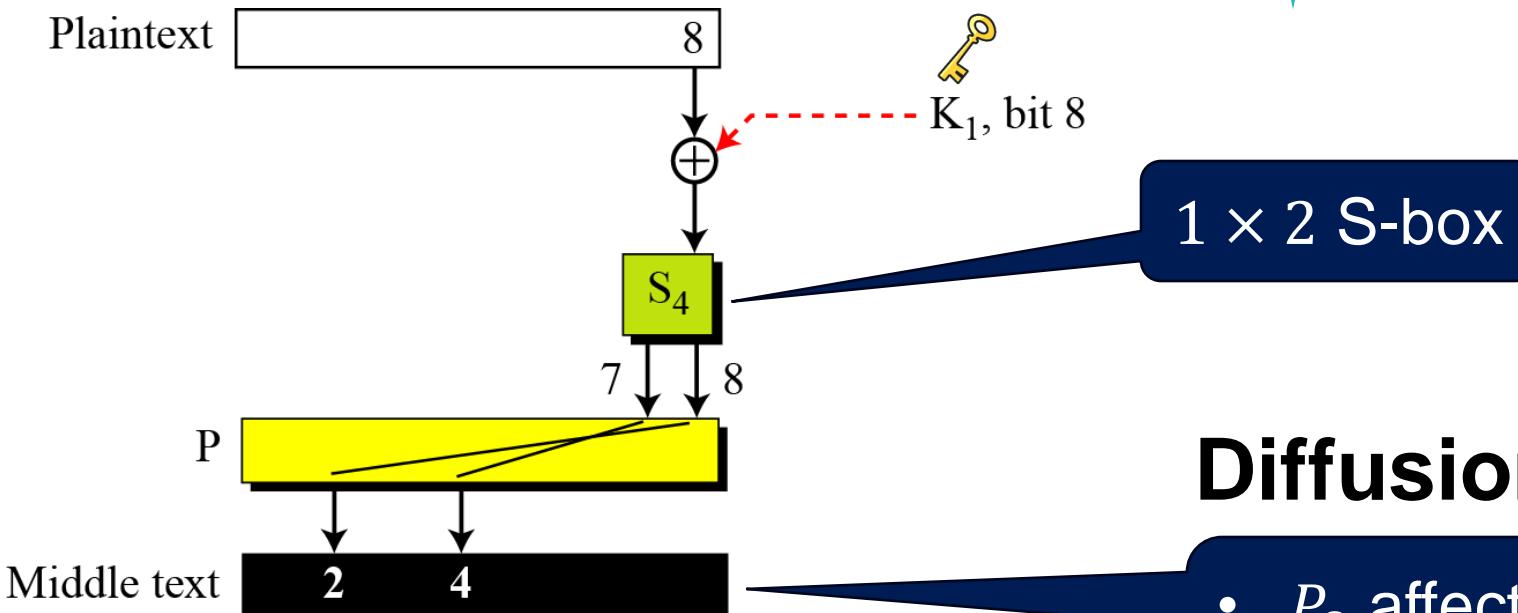
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Diffusion and confusion  
can be achieved using  
iterated block ciphers

# Example: A Block Cipher made of Two Rounds<sup>39</sup>



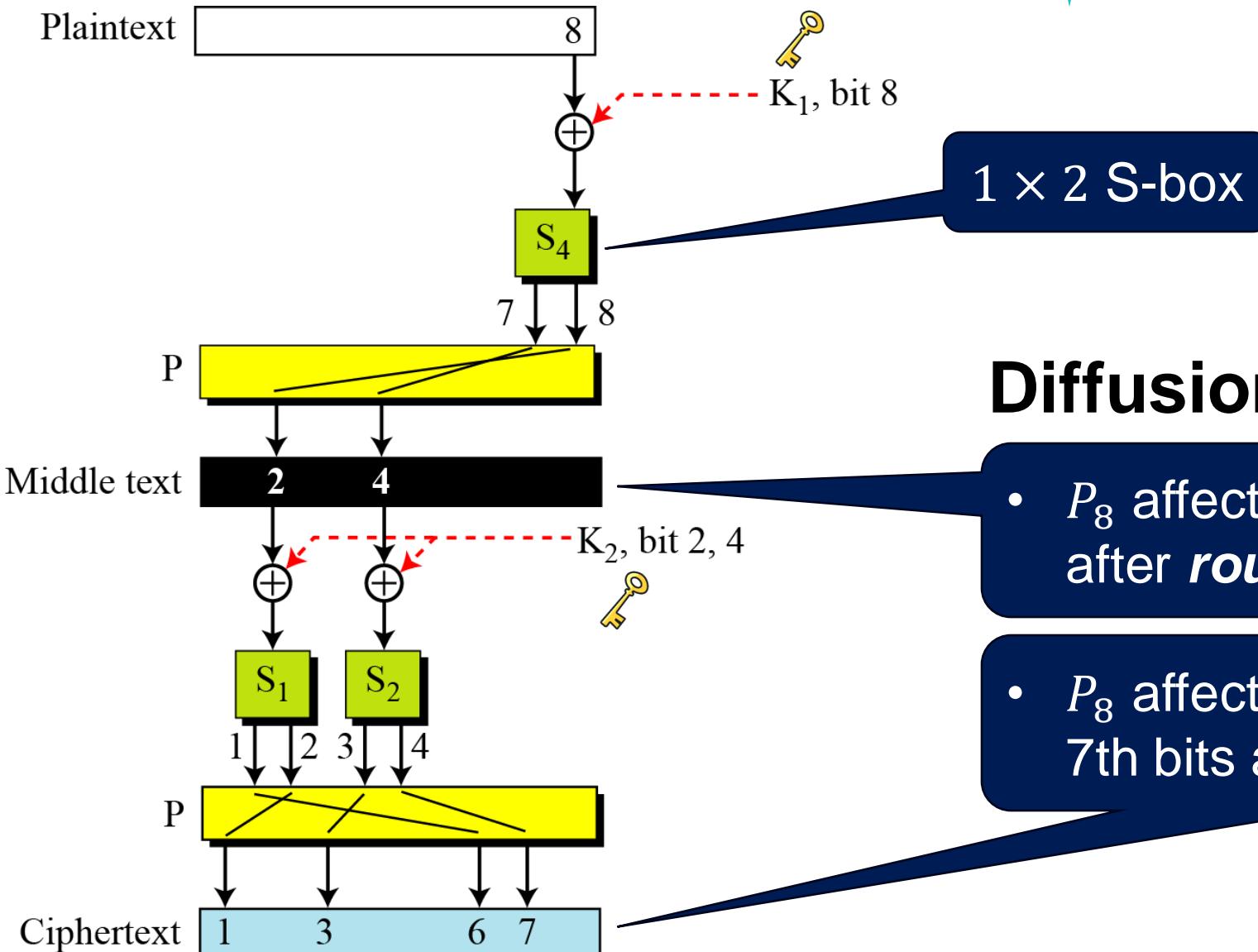
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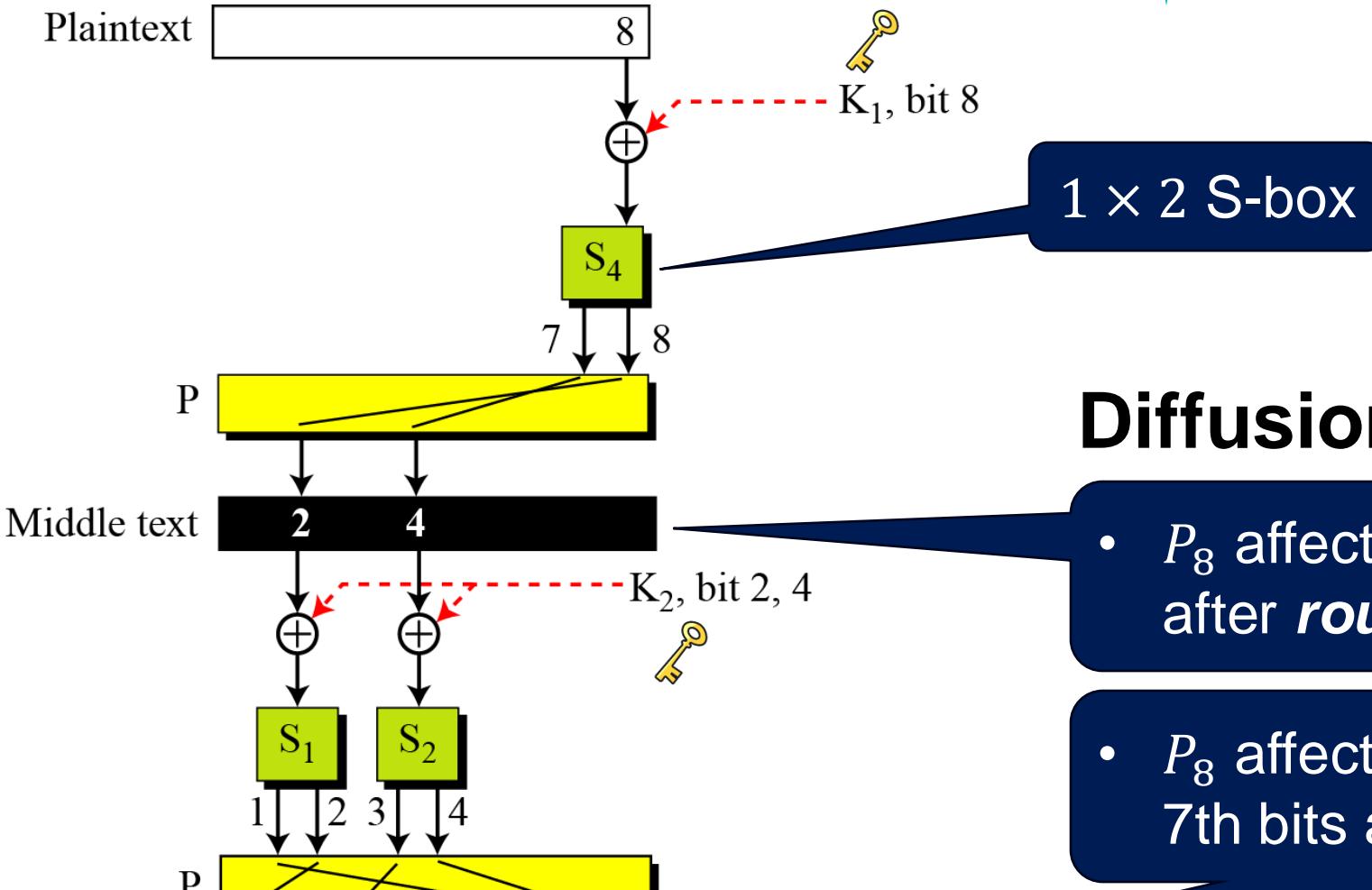


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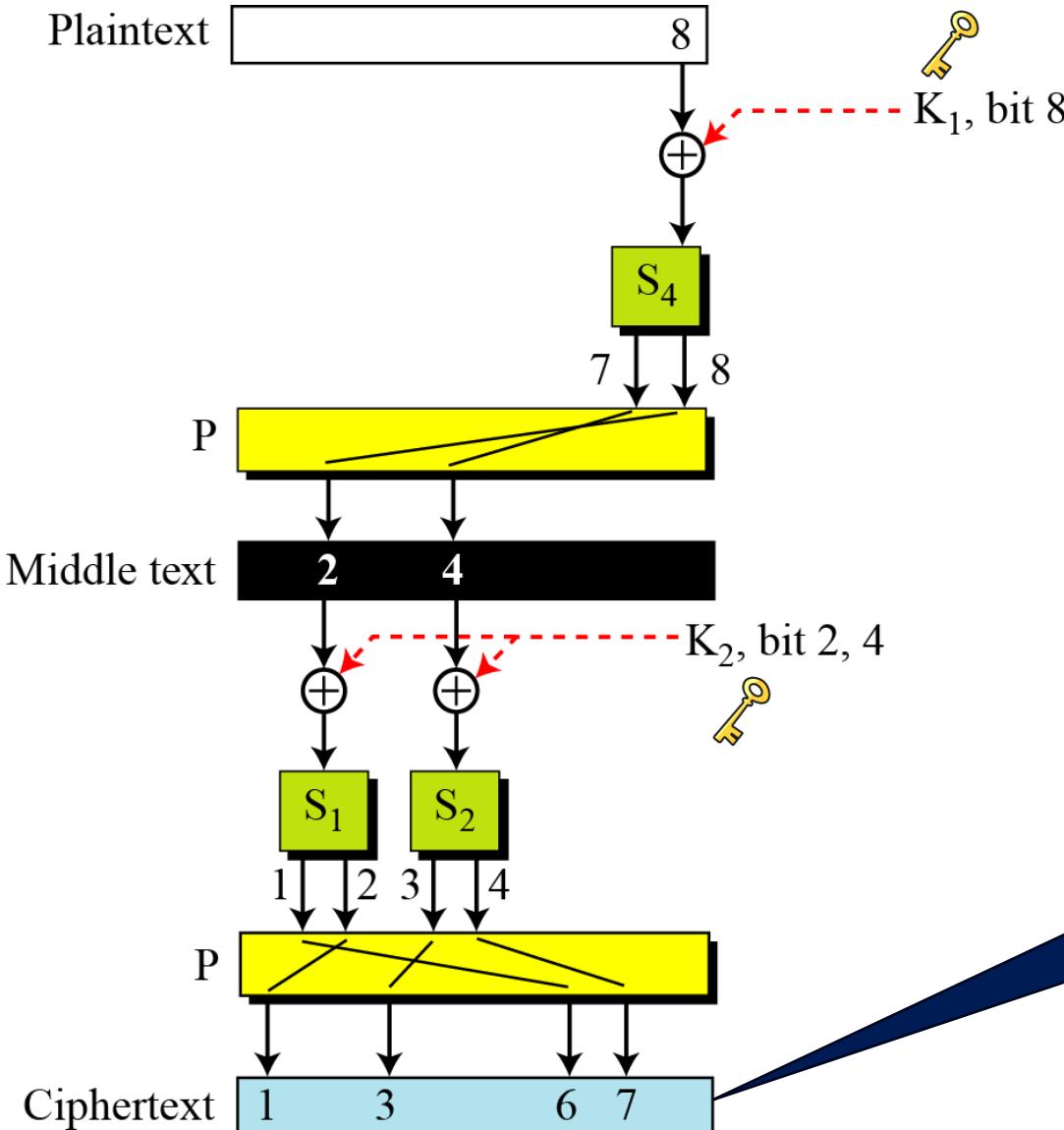


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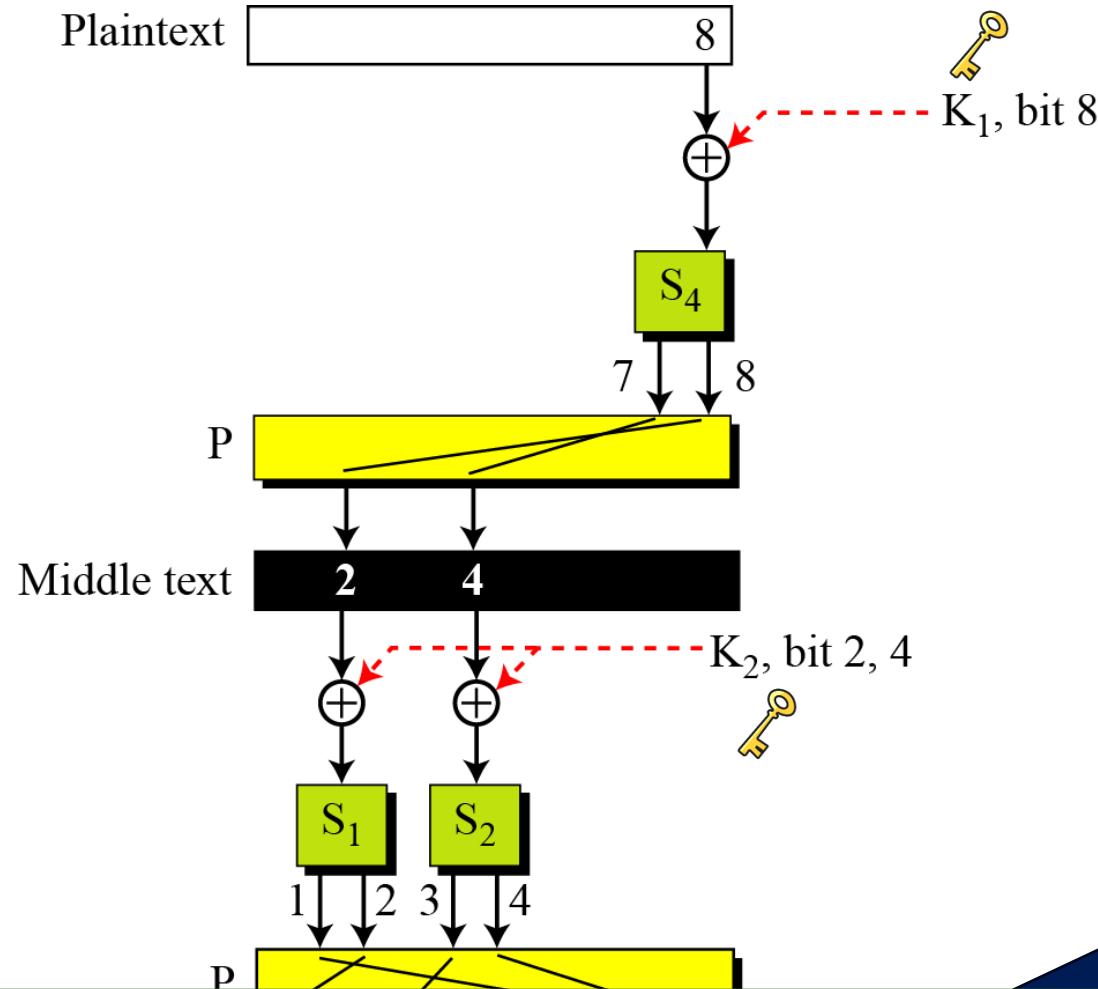
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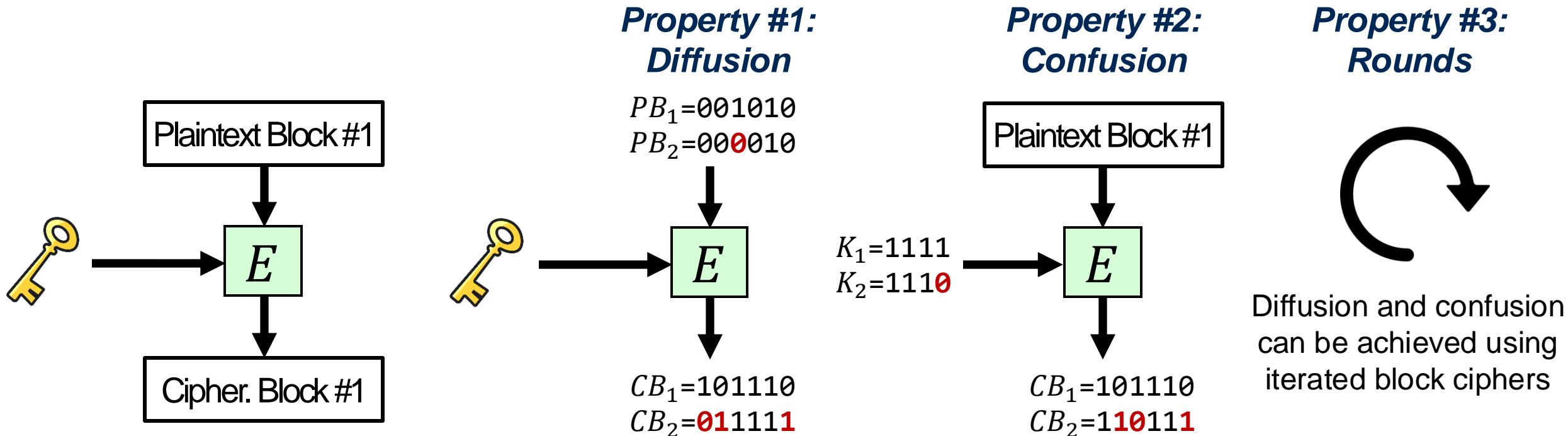
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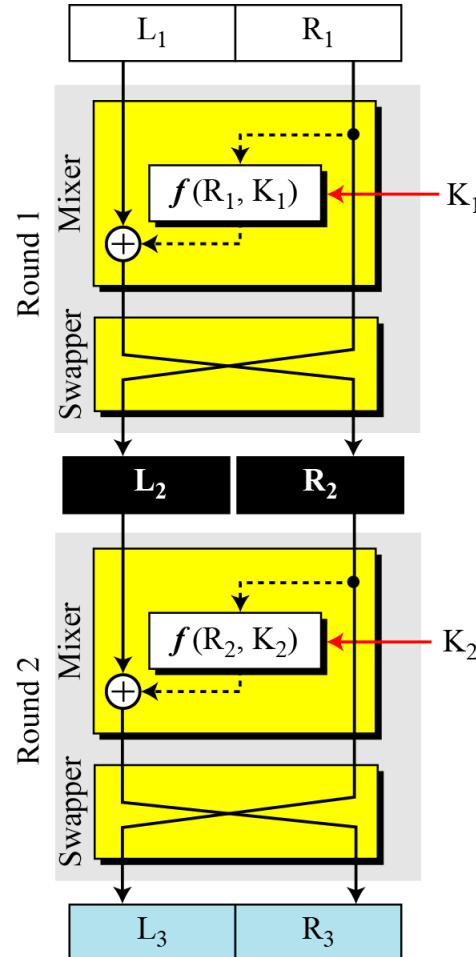
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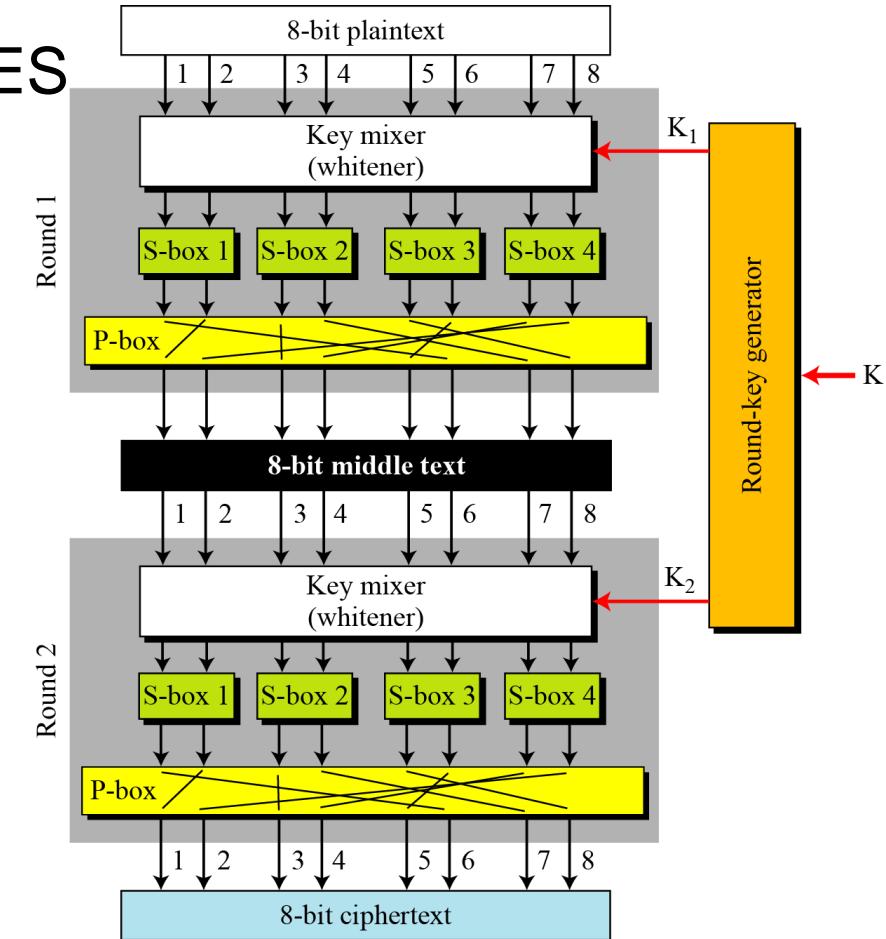
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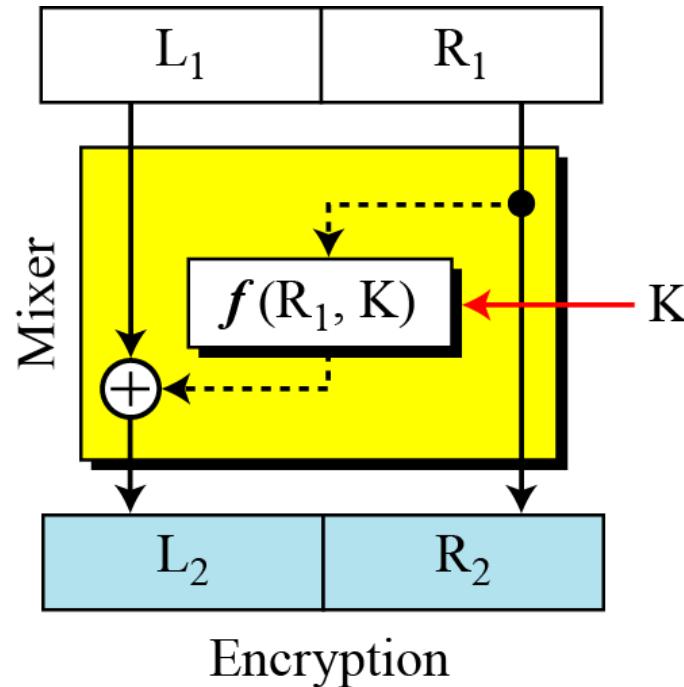
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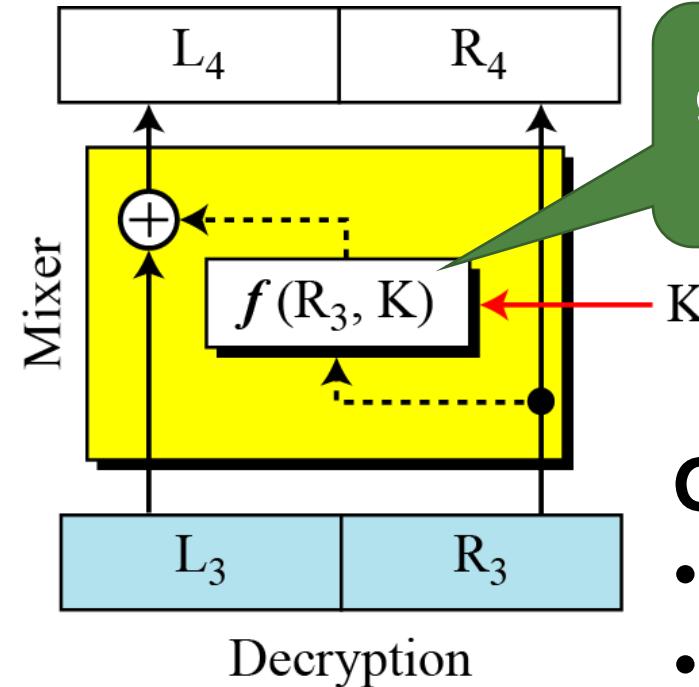
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- Use the **same algorithm** for both *encryption* and *decryption*



$$L_2 = L_1 \quad R_2 = R_1 \oplus f(R_1, K)$$



The entire operation is guaranteed to be ***invertible***, even if the *round function* is ***non-invertible***

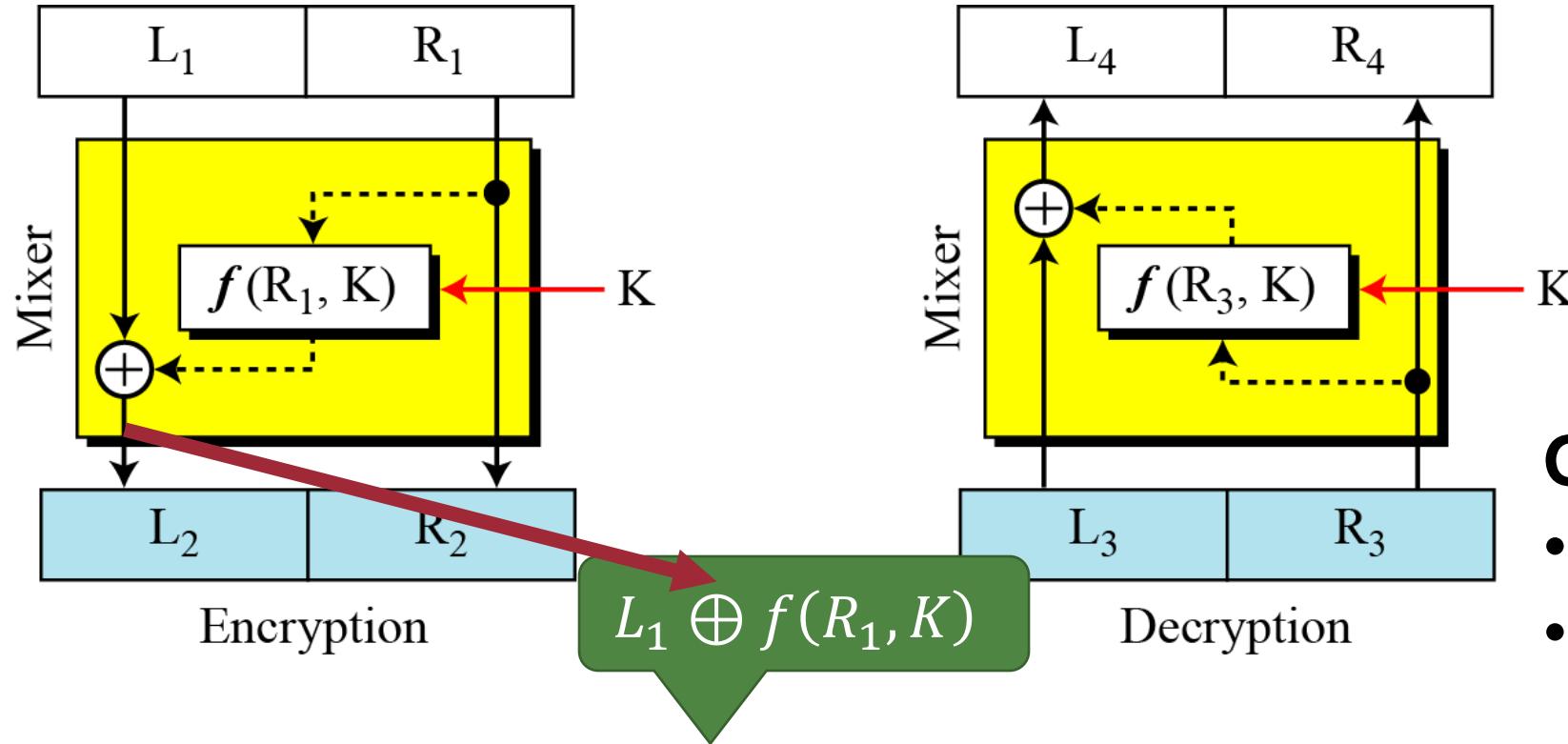
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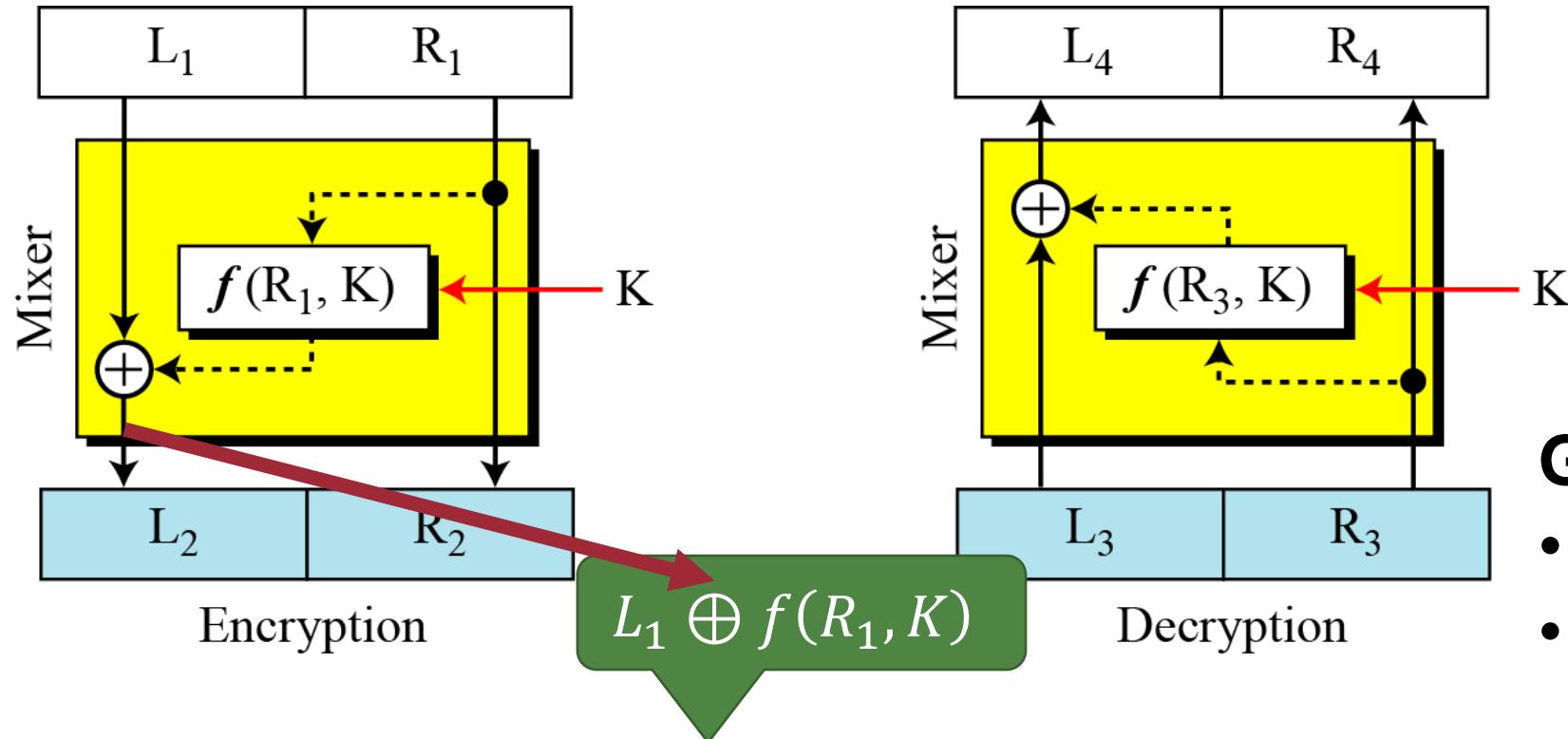
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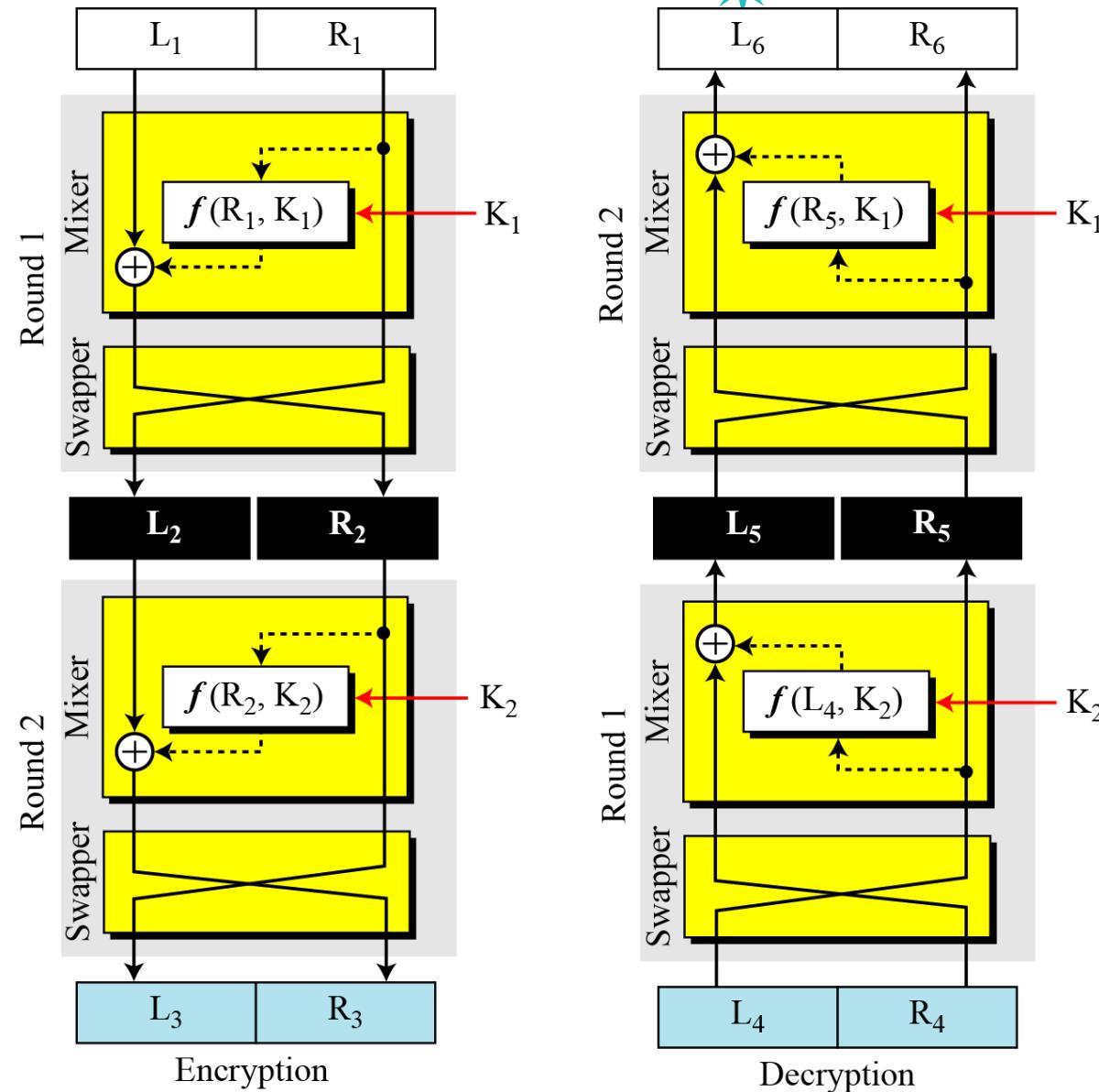
$$\begin{aligned}L_4 &= L_3 \oplus f(R_3, K) = L_2 \oplus f(R_1, K) \\&= L_1 \oplus f(R_1, K) \oplus f(R_1, K) = L_1 \oplus 0 = L_1\end{aligned}$$

## Ground Truth

- $R_4 = R_3 = R_2 = R_1$
- $L_3 = L_2$

# A Feistel Cipher with Two Rounds

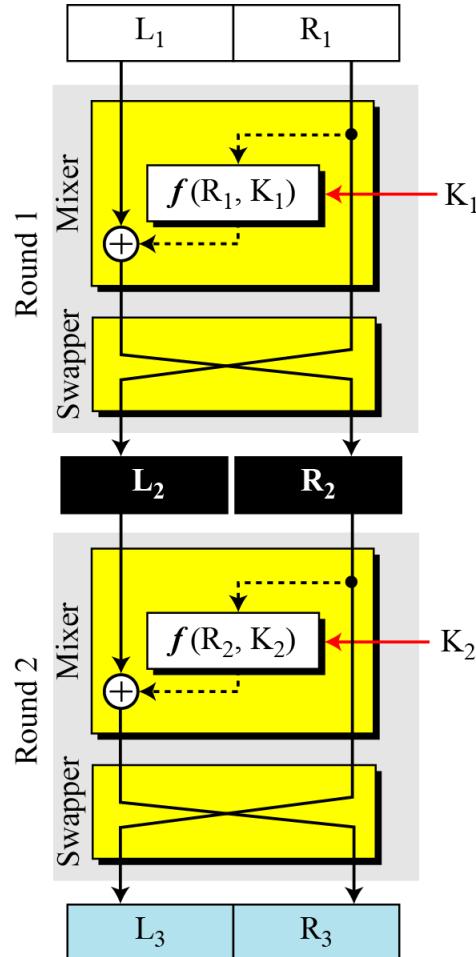
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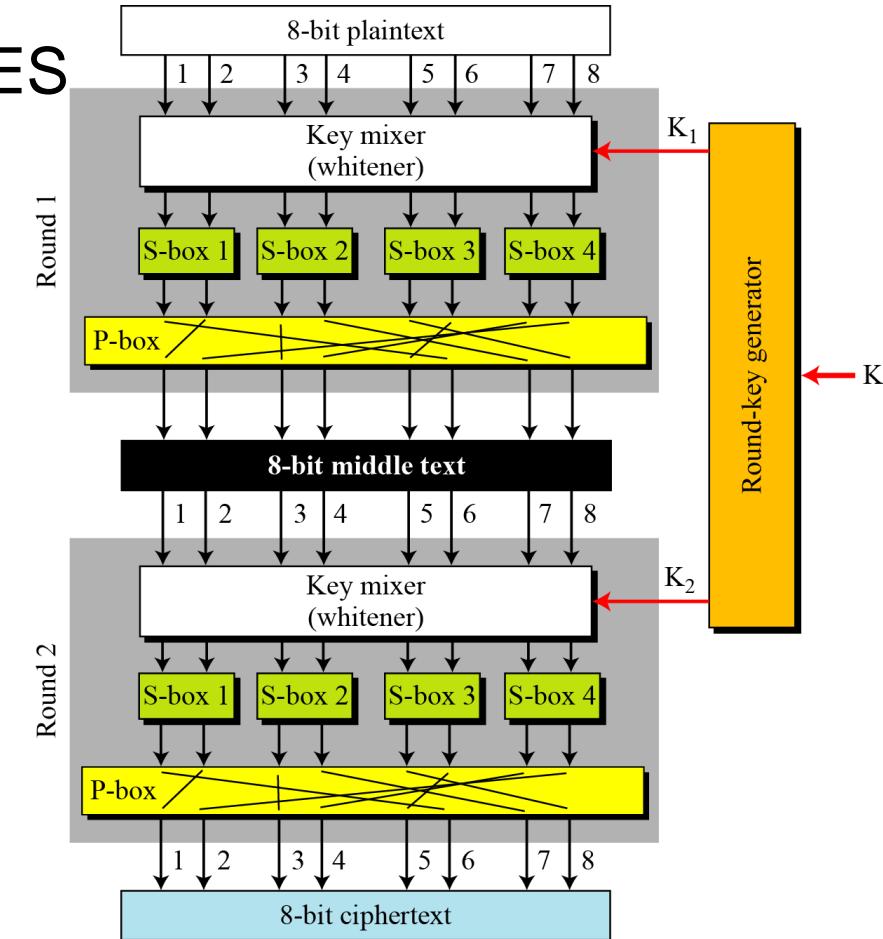
# Pros and Cons?

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- Feistel ciphers
  - E.g., DES



- Substitution-permutation (SP) ciphers
  - E.g., AES

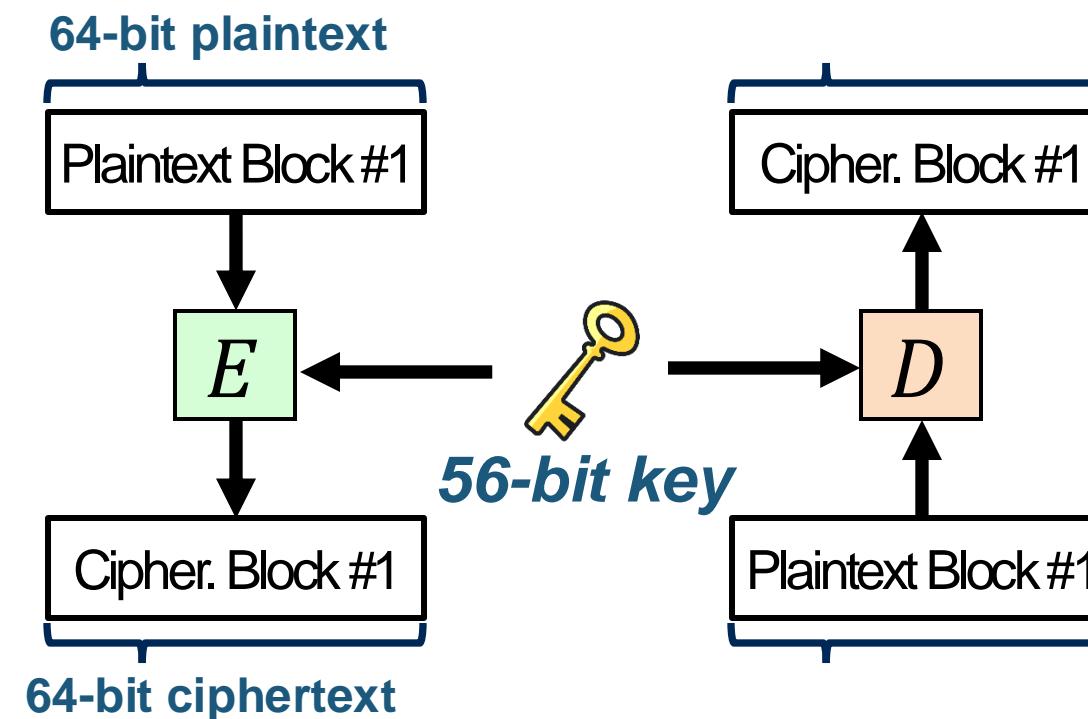


# **Data Encryption Standard (DES)**

# Data Encryption Standard (DES)

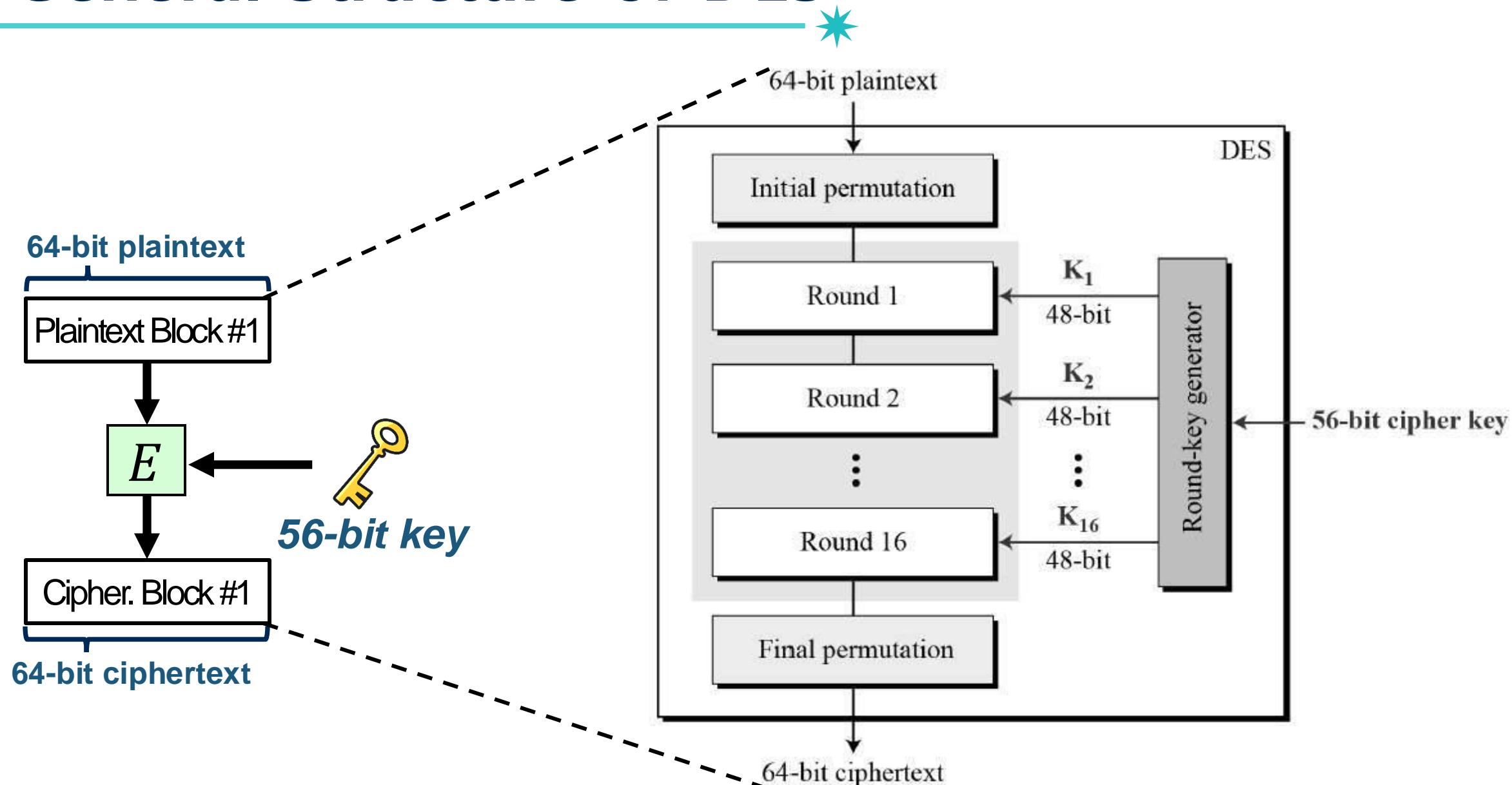
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- Adopted in 1977 by NBS (now NIST)
- Encrypts 64 bit data using 56 bit key
- Has widespread use
- **Due to its short key length**, it is used until 1999, and replaced by AES



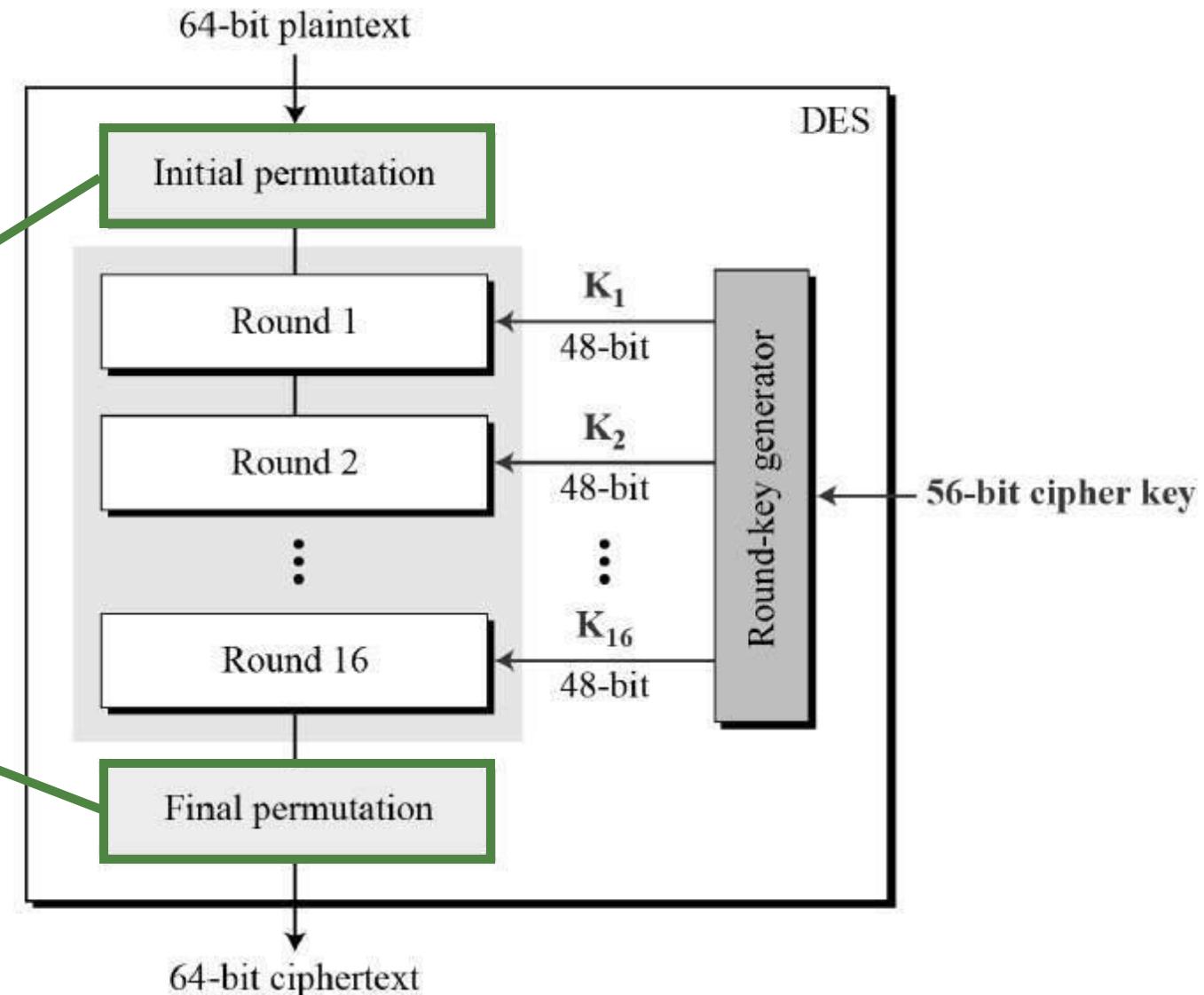
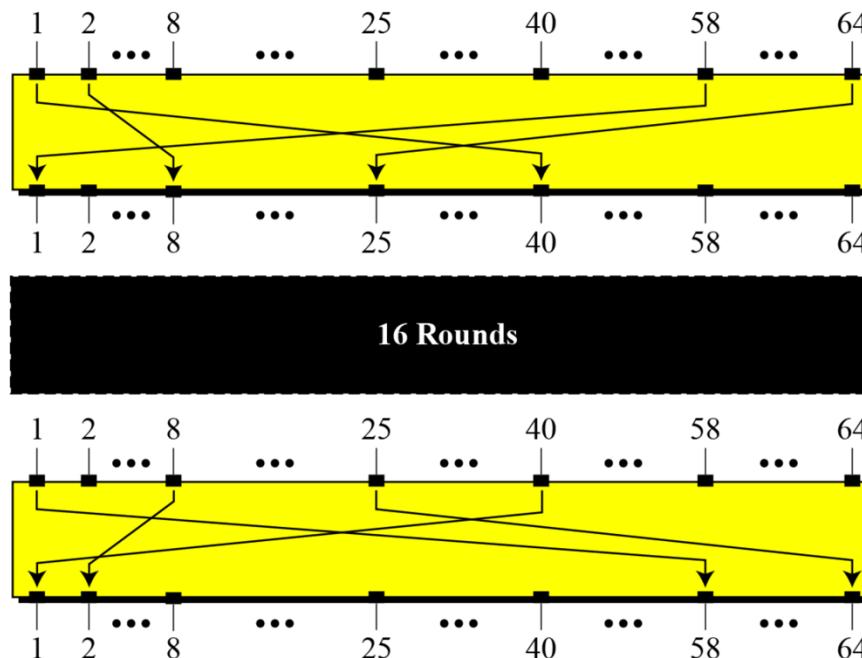
# General Structure of DES

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# Initial and Final Permutations (P-Boxes)

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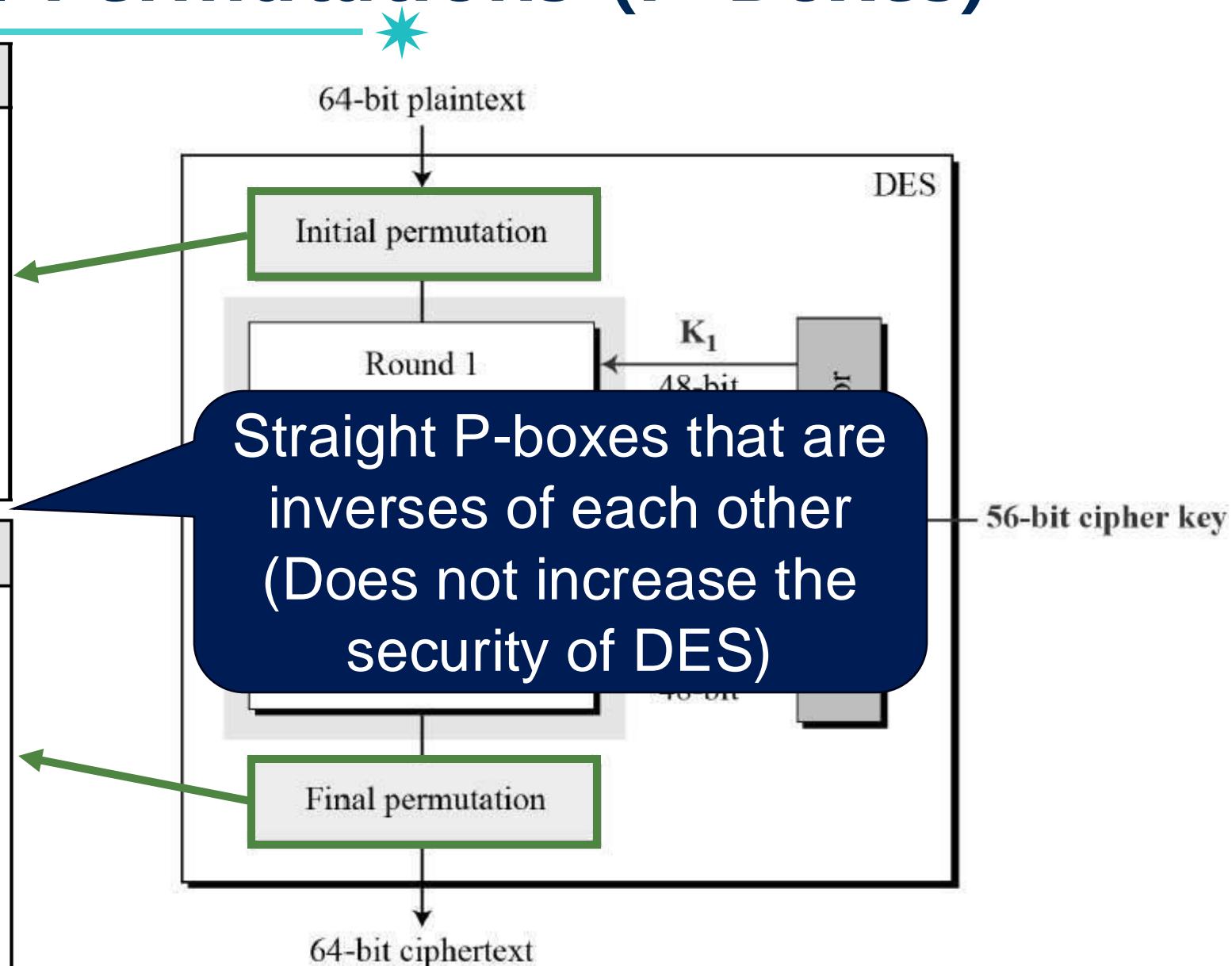


# Initial and Final Permutations (P-Boxes)

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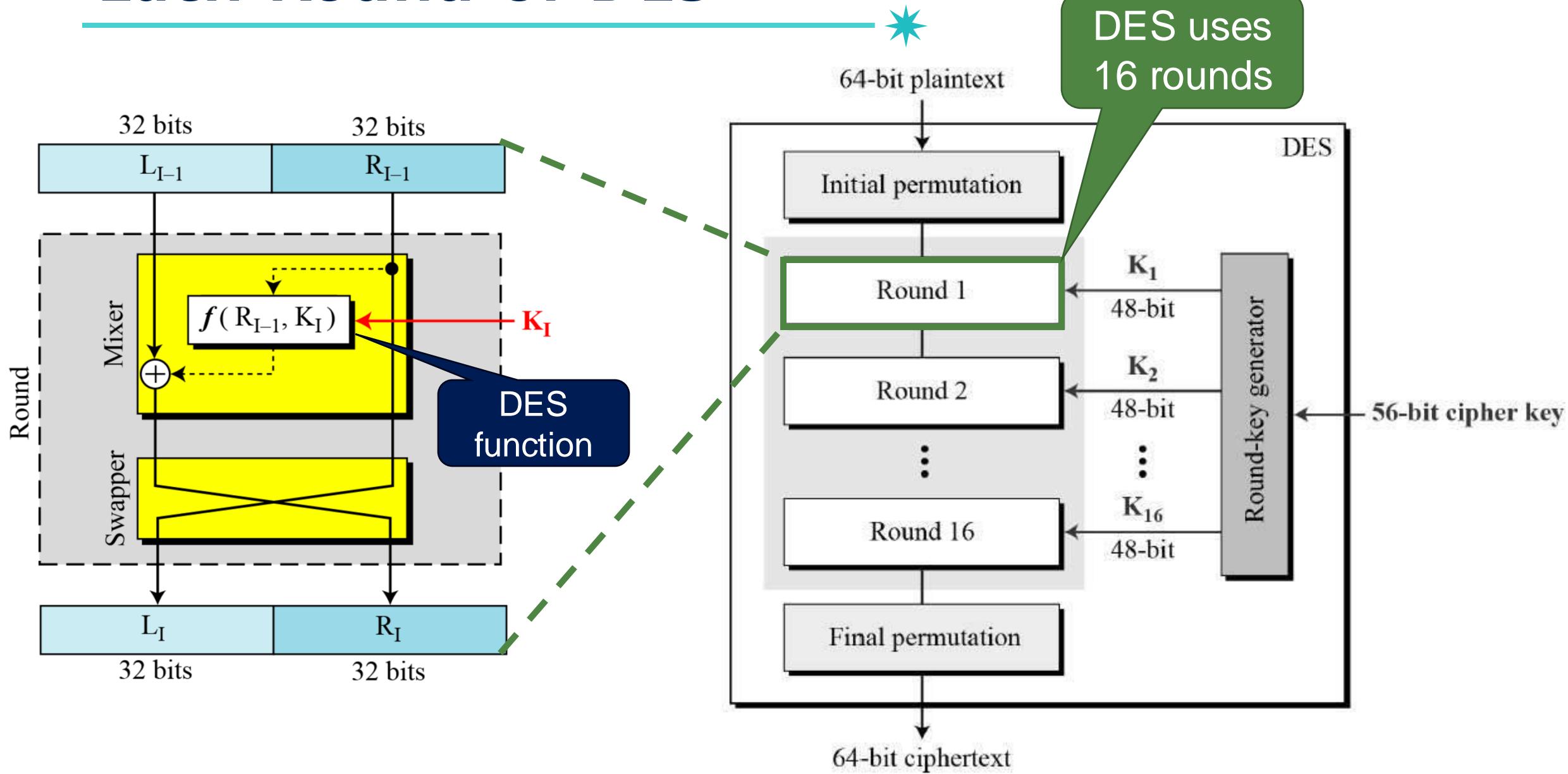
Initial Permutation									
58	50	42	34	26	18	10	02		
60	52	44	36	28	20	12	04		
62	54	46	38	30	22	14	06		
64	56	48	40	32	24	16	08		
57	49	41	33	25	17	09	01		
59	51	43	35	27	19	11	03		
61	53	45	37	29	21	13	05		
63	55	47	39	31	23	15	07		

Final Permutation									
40	08	48	16	56	24	64	32		
39	07	47	15	55	23	63	31		
38	06	46	14	54	22	62	30		
37	05	45	13	53	21	61	29		
36	04	44	12	52	20	60	28		
35	03	43	11	51	19	59	27		
34	02	42	10	50	18	58	26		
33	01	41	09	49	17	57	25		



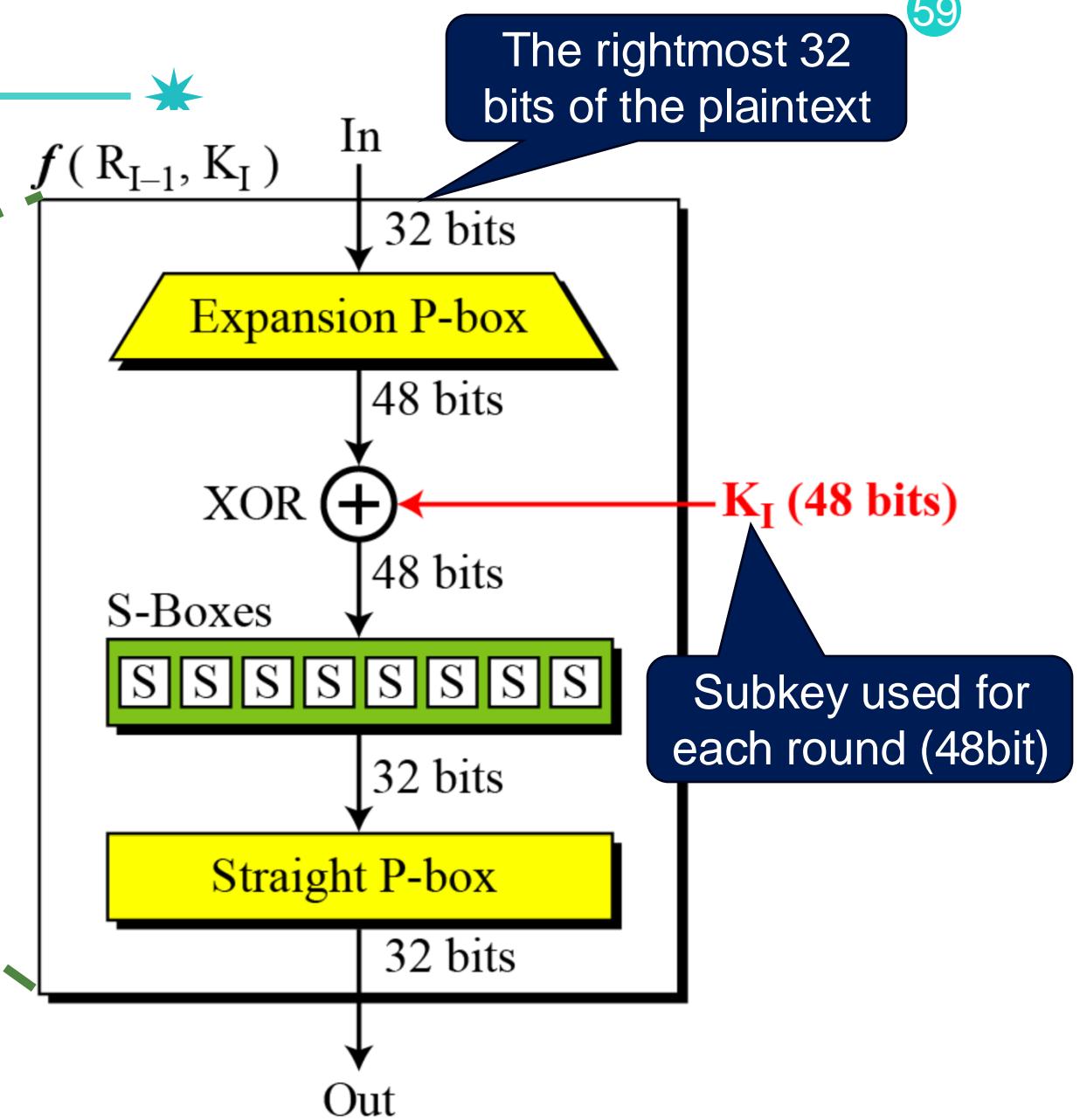
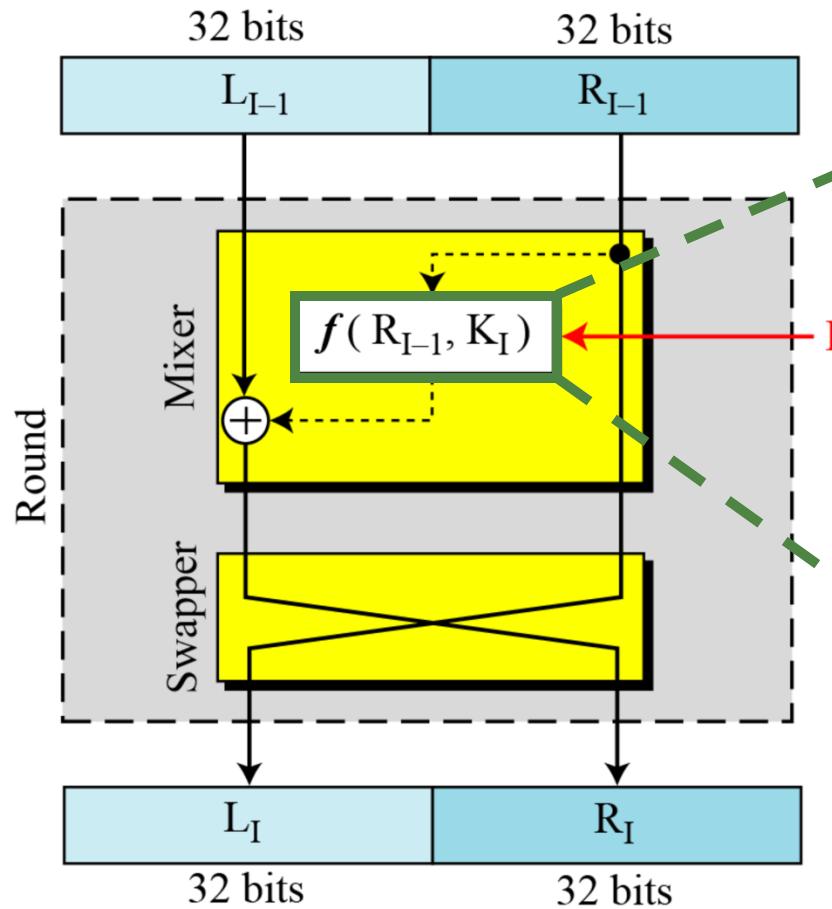
# Each Round of DES

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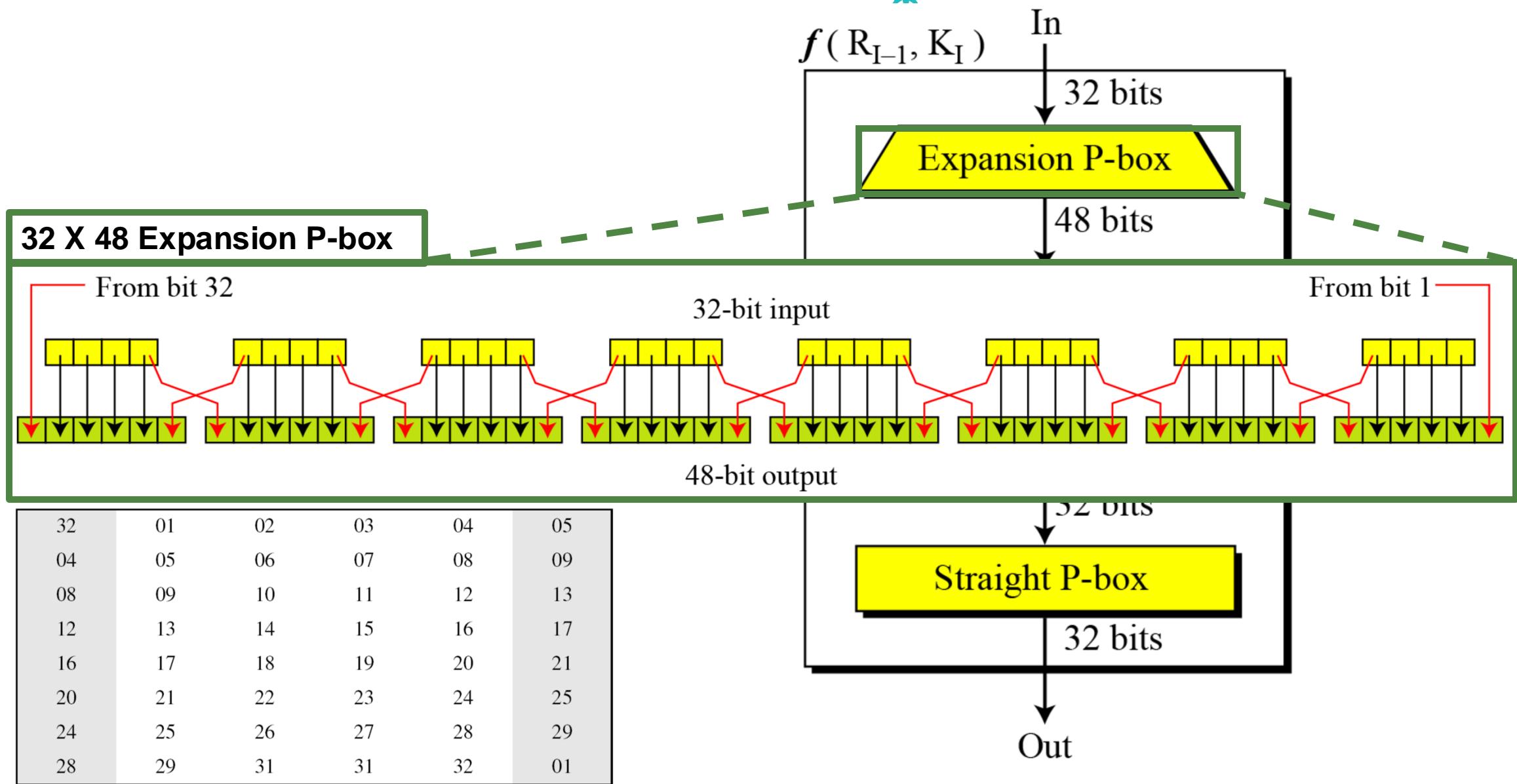
# DES Function

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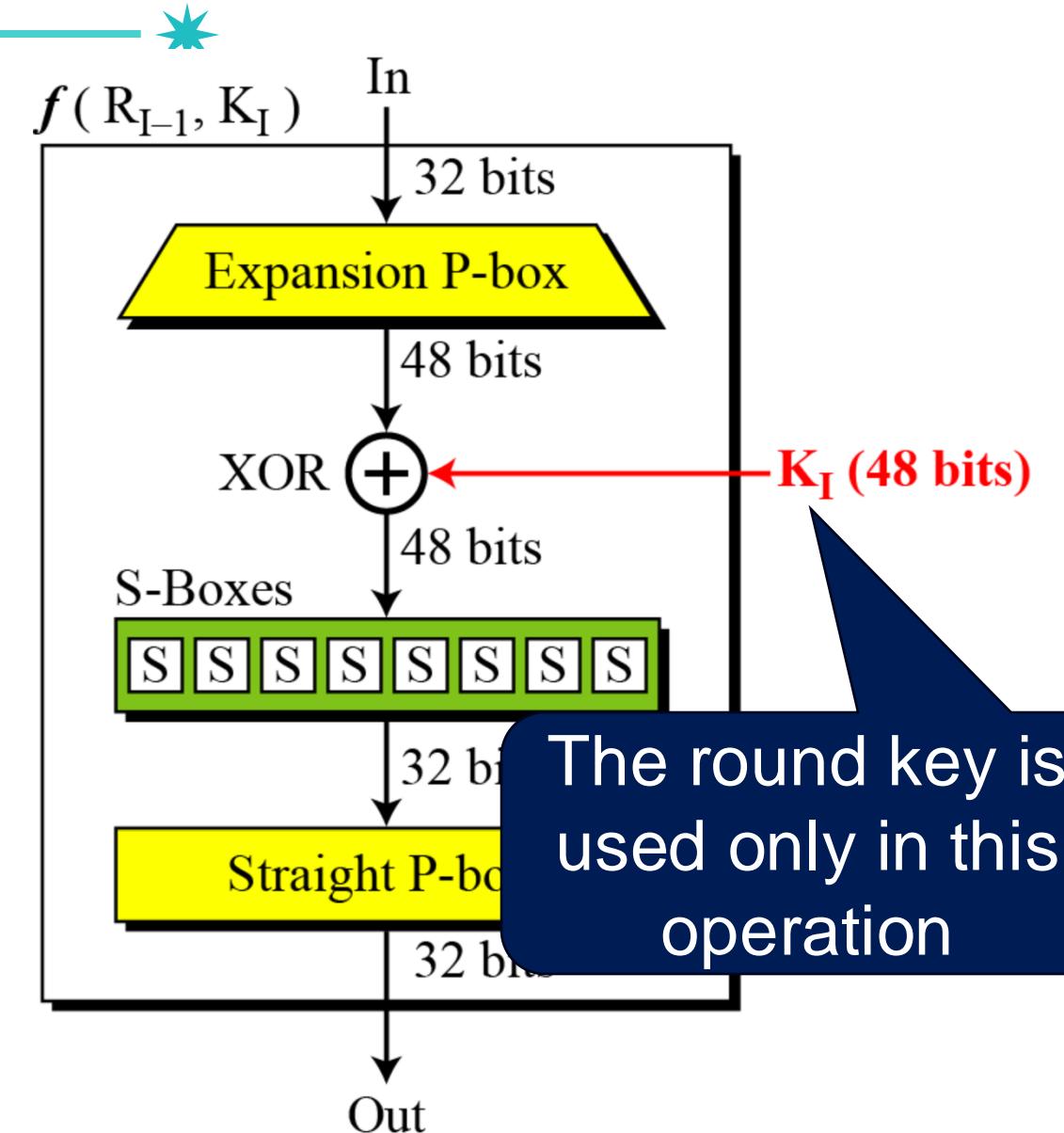


# DES Function - Expansion P-box

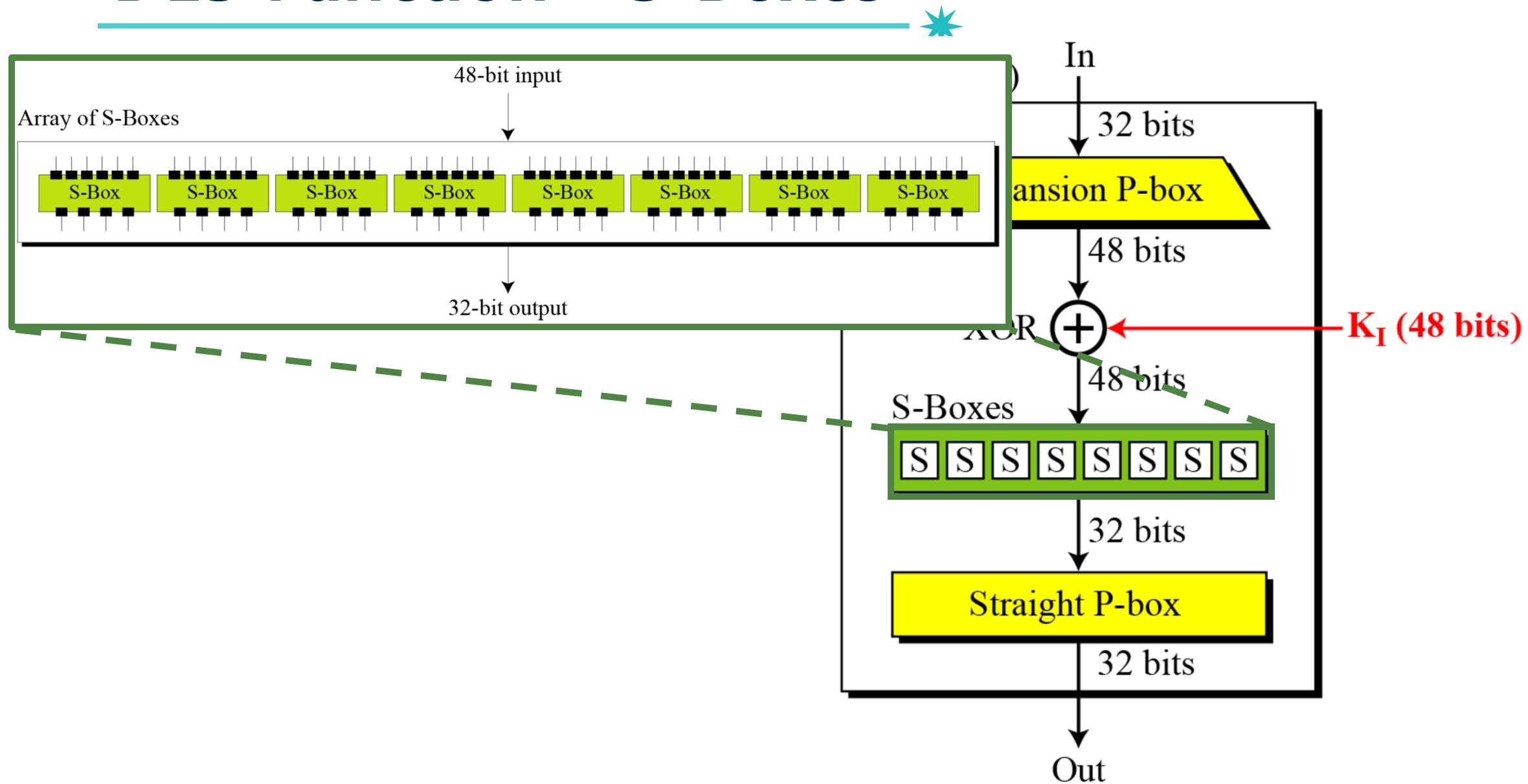
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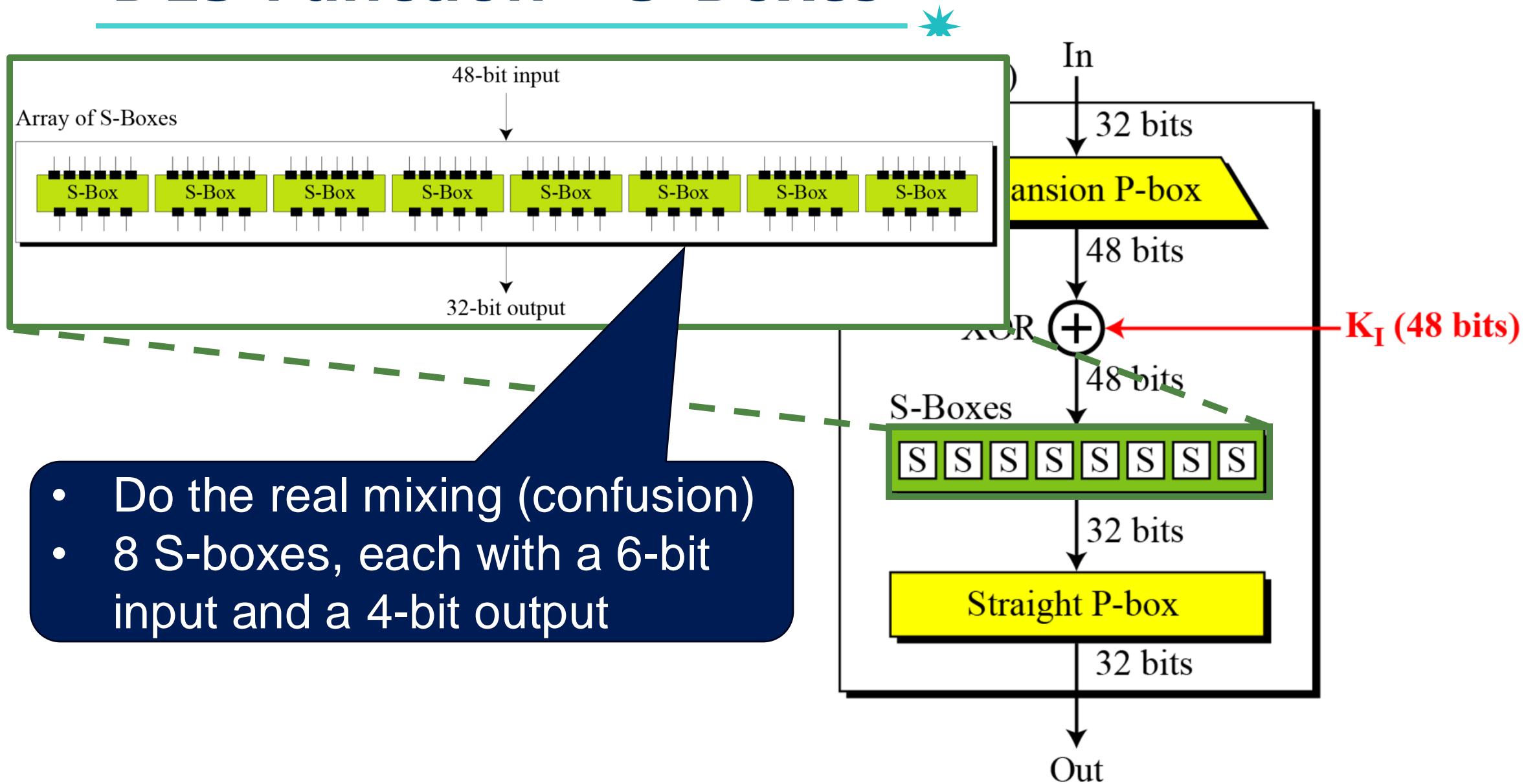
# DES Function - XOR



# DES Function - S-Boxes



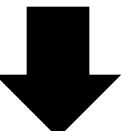
# DES Function - S-Boxes



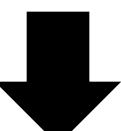
# DES Function - S-Boxes

- Non-invertible S-Boxes
- For the rest of the boxes, see the next slides

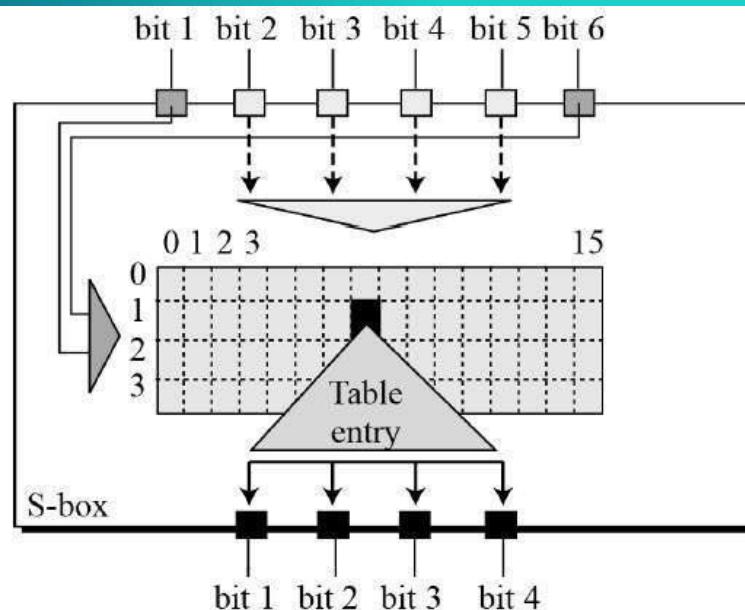
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S-box 1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
0	14	04	13	01	02	15	11	08	03	10	06	12	05	09	00	07
1	00	15	07	04	14	02	13	10	03	06	12	11	09	05	03	08
2	04	01	14	08	13	06	02	11	15	12	09	07	03	10	05	00
3	15	12	08	02	04	09	01	07	05	11	03	14	10	00	06	13



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$s_1$	14	4	13	1	2	15	11	8	3	10	6	12	5	9	0	7
	0	15	7	4	14	2	13	1	10	6	12	11	9	5	3	8
	4	1	14	8	13	6	2	11	15	12	9	7	3	10	5	0
	15	12	8	2	4	9	1	7	5	11	3	14	10	0	6	13

$s_2$	15	1	8	14	6	11	3	4	9	7	2	13	12	0	5	10
	3	13	4	7	15	2	8	14	12	0	1	10	6	9	11	5
	0	14	7	11	10	4	13	1	5	8	12	6	9	3	2	15
	13	8	10	1	3	15	4	2	11	6	7	12	0	5	14	9

$s_3$	10	0	9	14	6	3	15	5	1	13	12	7	11	4	2	8
	13	7	0	9	3	4	6	10	2	8	5	14	12	11	15	1
	13	6	4	9	8	15	3	0	11	1	2	12	5	10	14	7
	1	10	13	0	6	9	8	7	4	15	14	3	11	5	2	12

$s_4$	7	13	14	3	0	6	9	10	1	2	8	5	11	12	4	15
	13	8	11	5	6	15	0	3	4	7	2	12	1	10	14	9
	10	6	9	0	12	11	7	13	15	1	3	14	5	2	8	4
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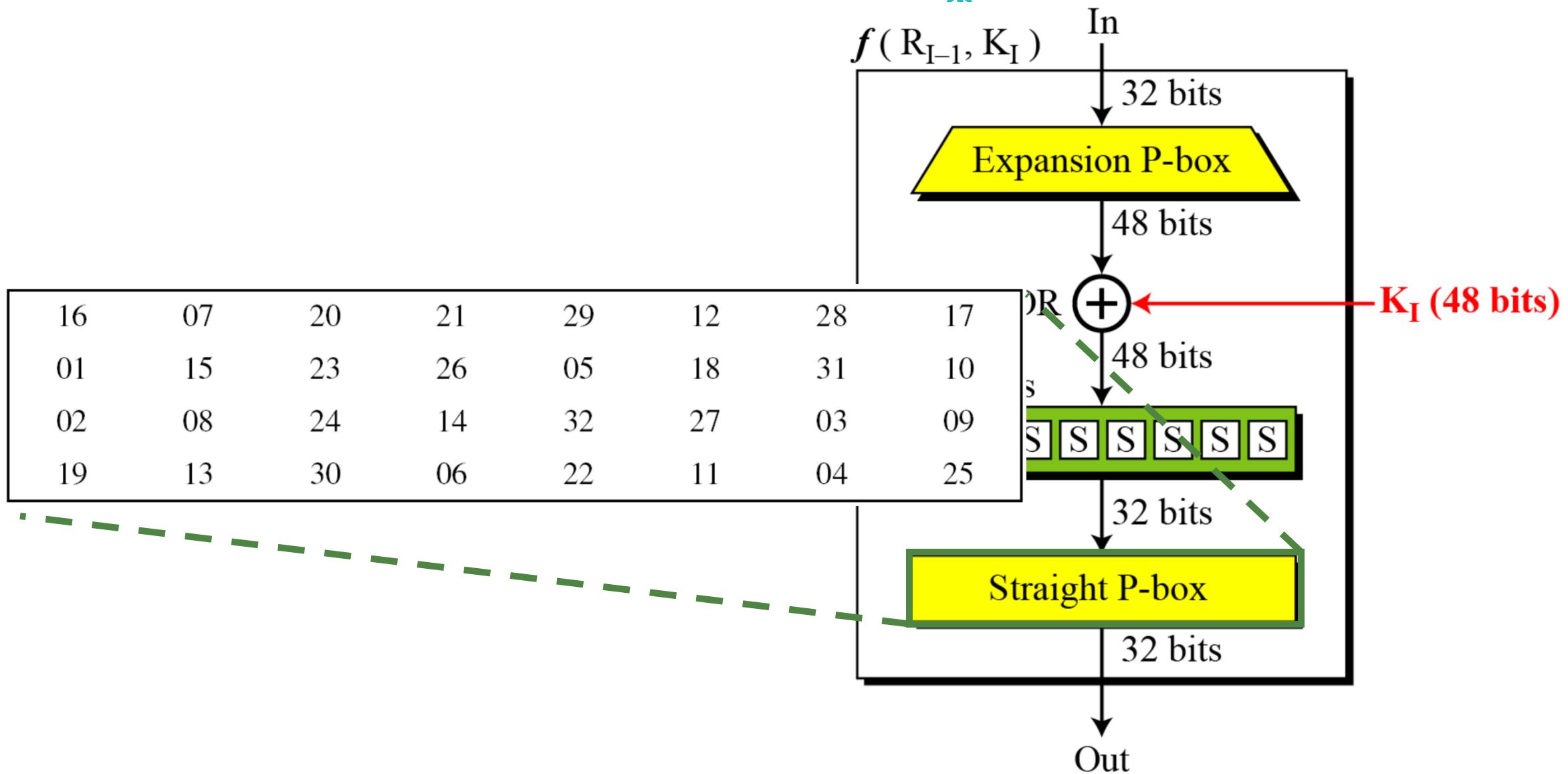
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	14	11	2	12	4	7	13	1	5	0	15	10	3	9	8	6
	4	2	1	11	10	13	7	8	15	9	12	5	6	3	0	14
	11	8	12	7	1	14	2	13	6	15	0	9	10	4	5	3

$s_6$	12	1	10	15	9	2	6	8	0	13	3	4	14	7	5	11
	10	15	4	2	7	12	9	5	6	1	13	14	0	11	3	8
	9	14	15	5	2	8	12	3	7	0	4	10	1	13	11	6
	4	3	2	12	9	5	15	10	11	14	1	7	6	0	8	13

$s_7$	4	11	2	14	15	0	8	13	3	12	9	7	5	10	6	1
	13	0	11	7	4	9	1	10	14	3	5	12	2	15	8	6
	1	4	11	13	12	3	7	14	10	15	6	8	0	5	9	2
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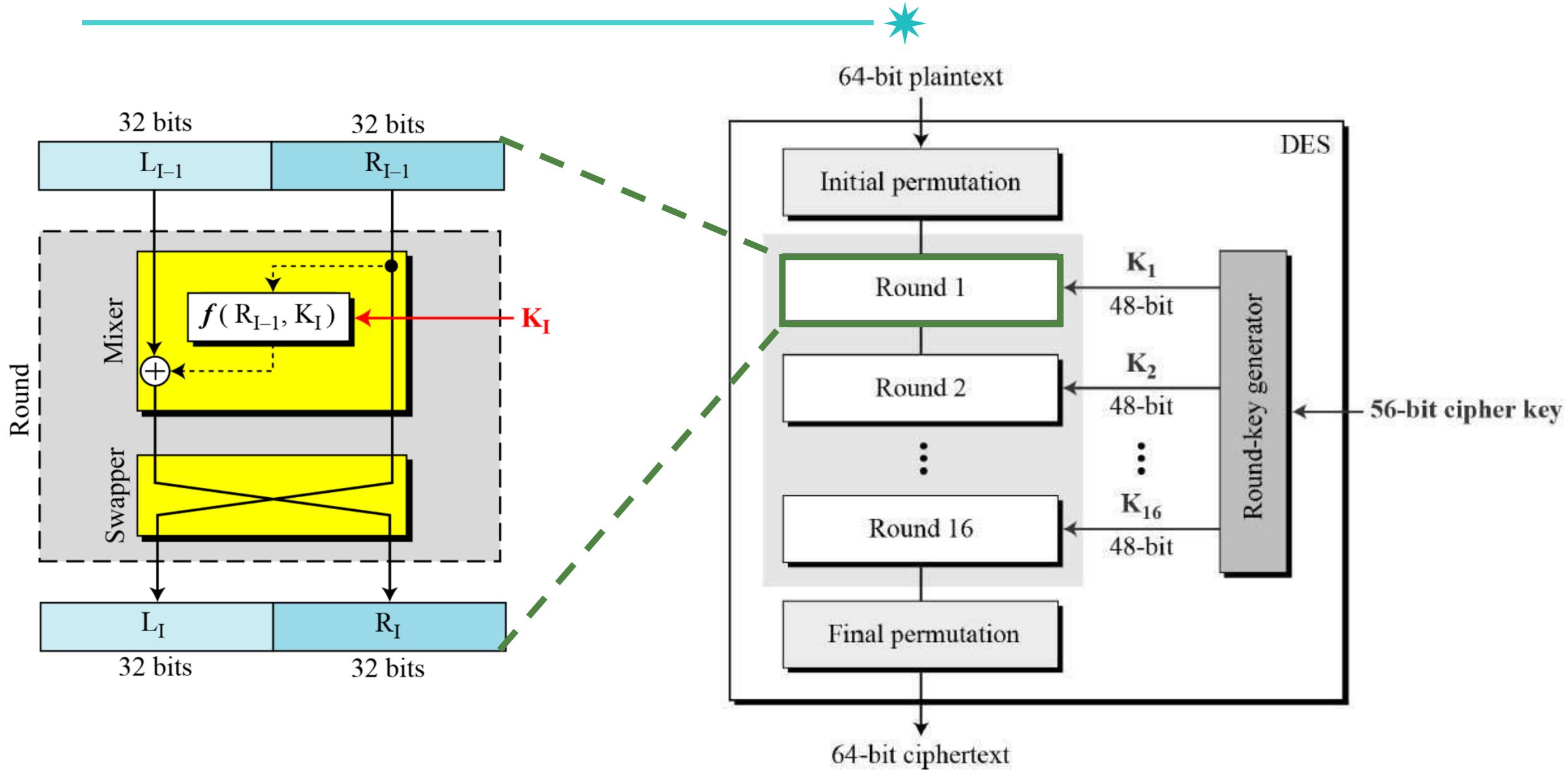
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	1	15	13	8	10	3	7	4	12	5	6	11	0	14	9	2
	7	11	4	1	9	12	14	2	0	6	10	13	15	3	5	8
	2	1	14	7	4	10	8	13	15	12	9	0	3	5	6	11

# DES Function - Straight P-Box



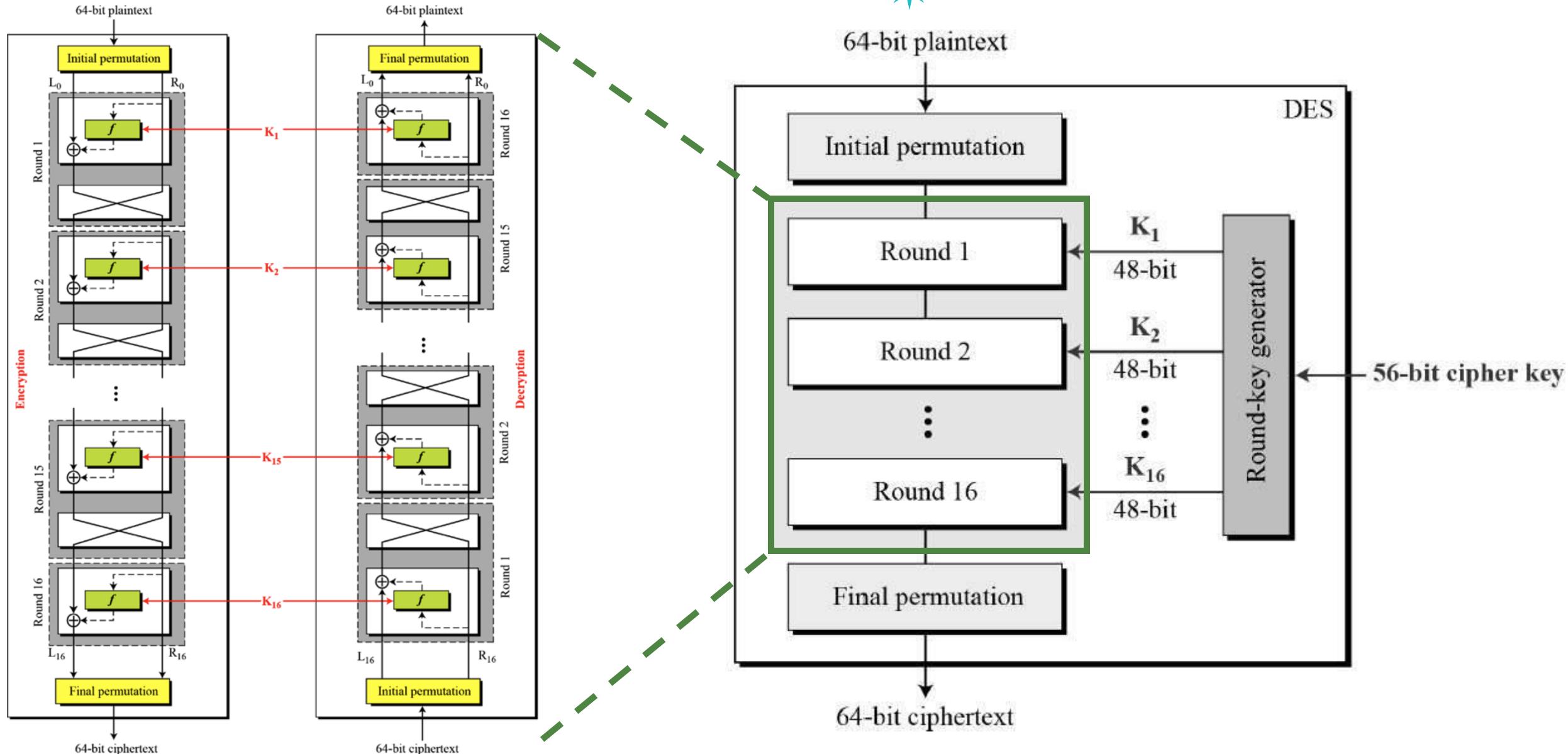
# Round of DES

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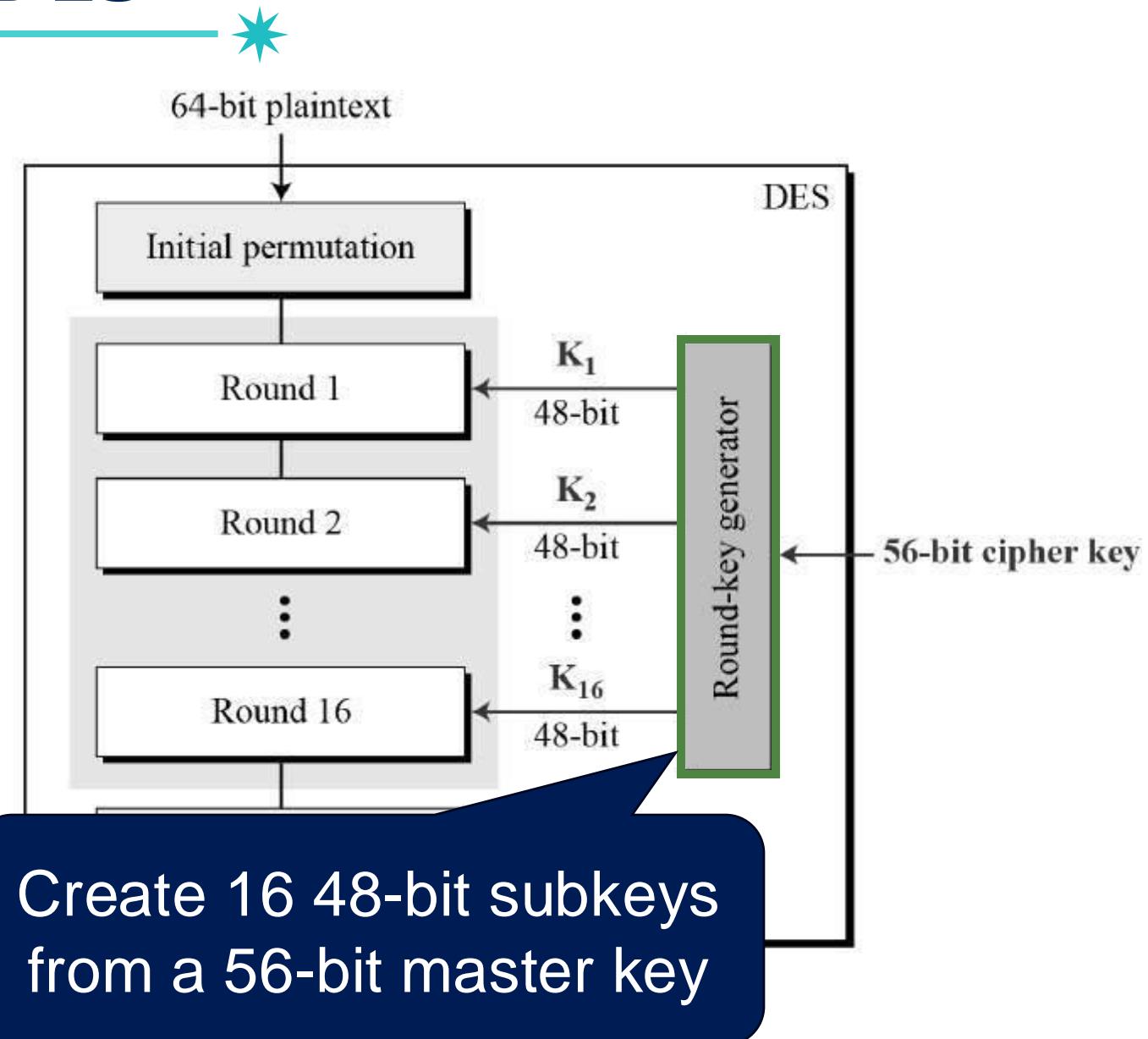
# Round Structure of DES

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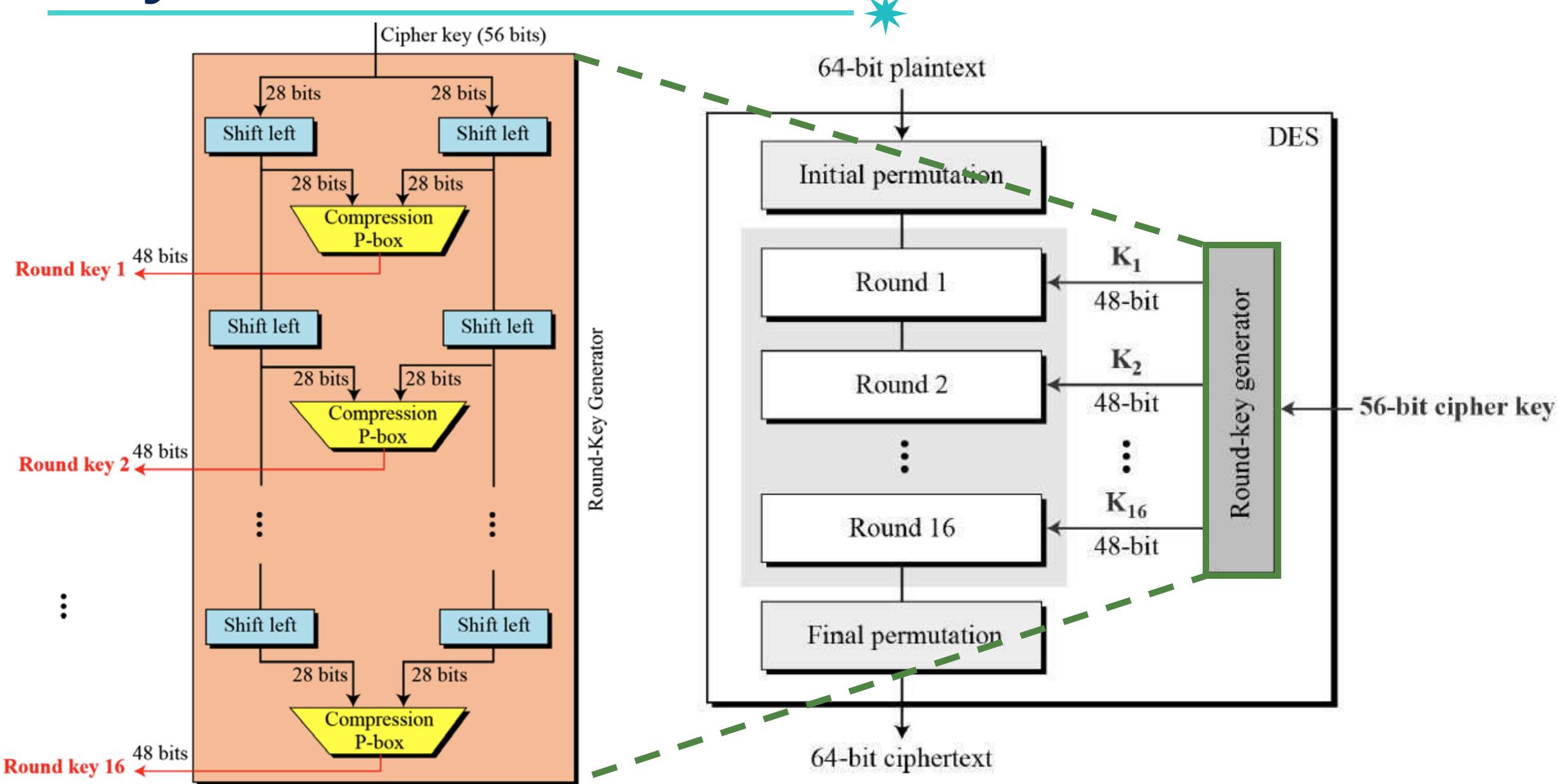
# Key Generation in DES

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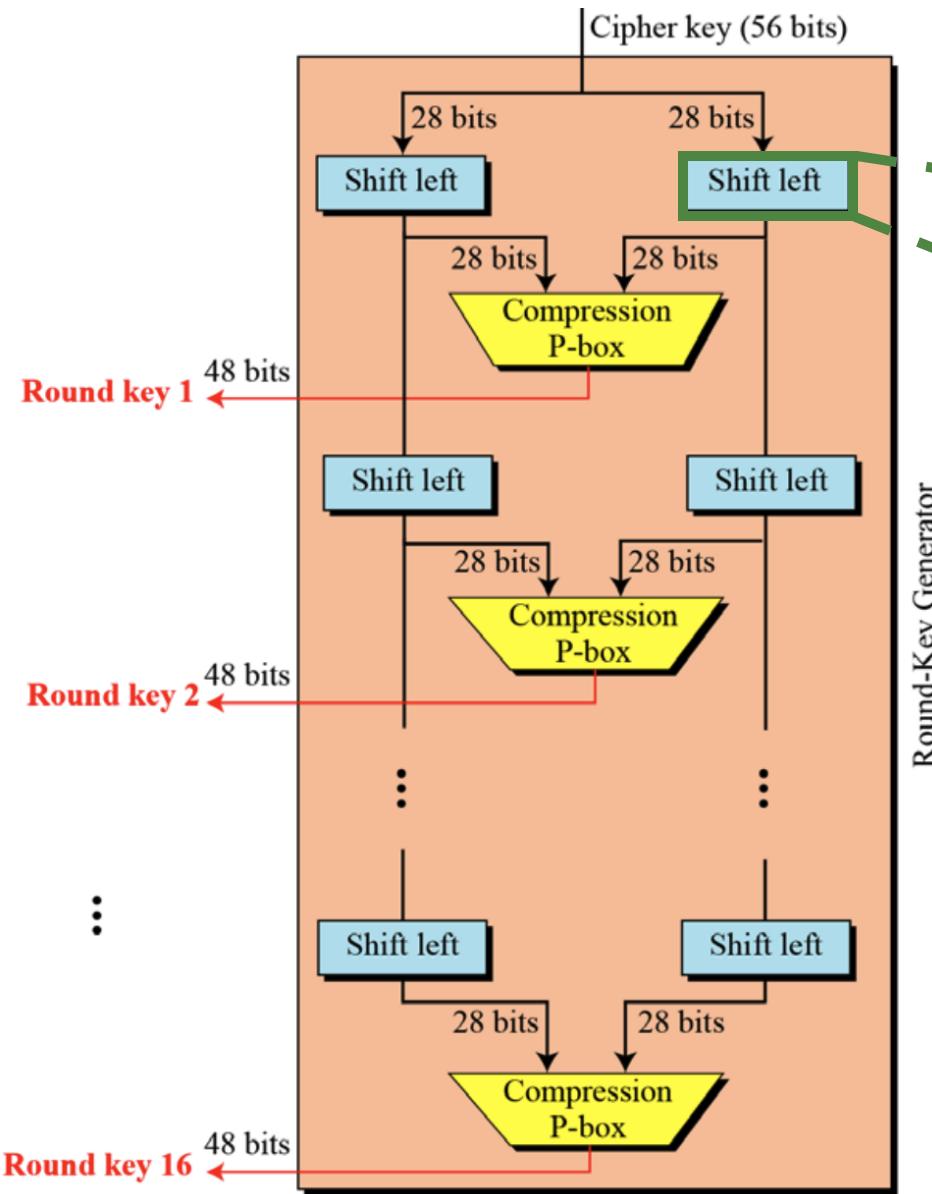
# Key Generation in DES

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# Key Generation - Shift Left

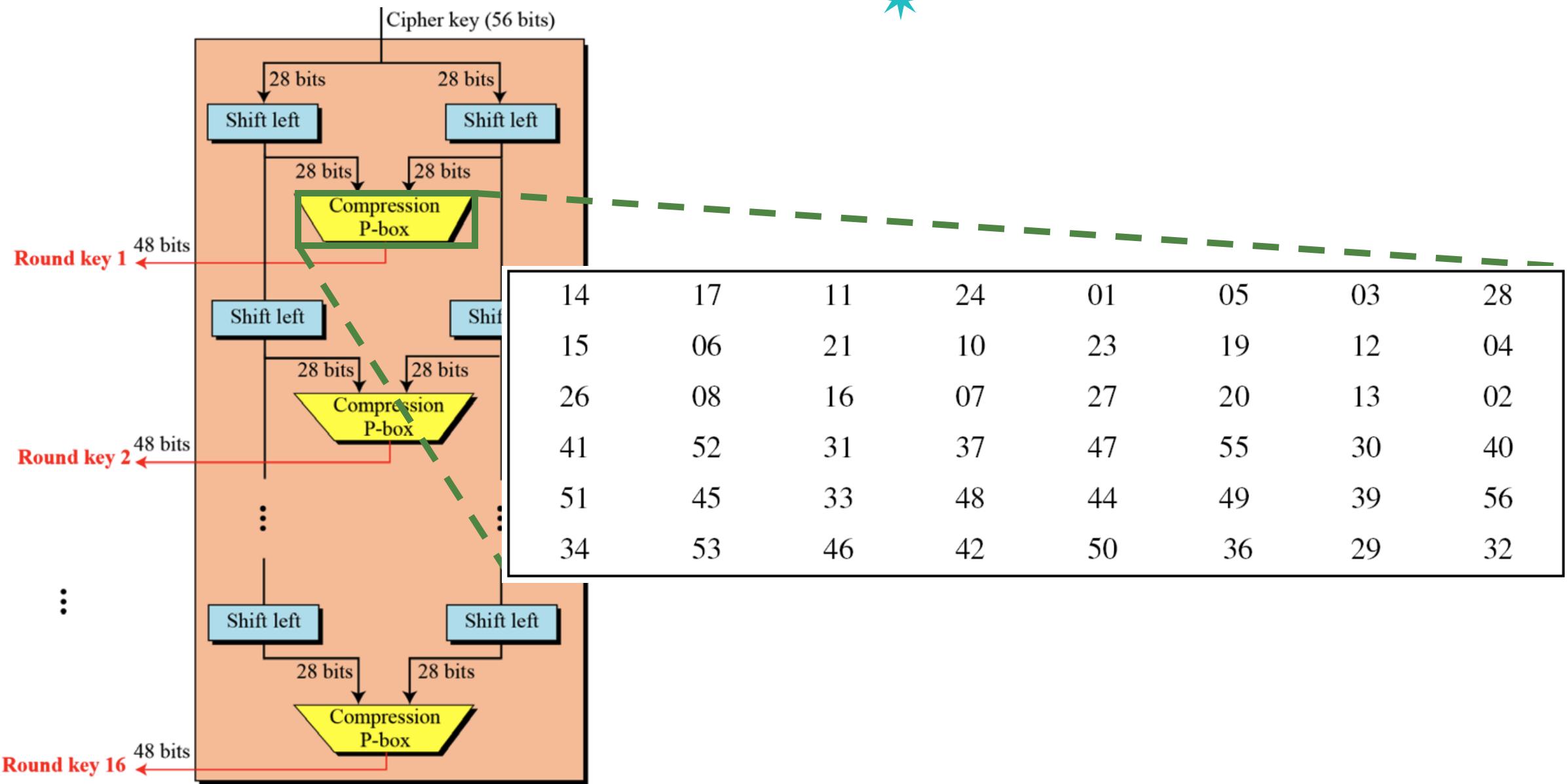
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- In rounds 1, 2, 9, 16: shift left by one bit
- The other rounds: shift left by two bits

# Key Generation - Compression P-box

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# Example of DES



- Determine what the ciphertext block would be (all in hexadecimal)
- Plaintext: 123456ABCD132536
- Key: AABB09182736CCDD

Plaintext: 123456ABCD132536

After initial permutation: 14A7D67818CA18AD

After splitting:  $L_0 = 14A7D678$     $R_0 = 18CA18AD$

Round	Left	Right	Round Key
Round 1	18CA18AD	5A78E394	194CD072DE8C
Round 2	5A78E394	4A1210F6	4568581ABCCE
Round 3	4A1210F6	B8089591	06EDA4ACF5B5
Round 4	B8089591	236779C2	DA2D032B6EE3

# Example of DES



<i>Round 5</i>	236779C2	A15A4B87	69A629FEC913
<i>Round 6</i>	A15A4B87	2E8F9C65	C1948E87475E
<i>Round 7</i>	2E8F9C65	A9FC20A3	708AD2DDB3C0
<i>Round 8</i>	A9FC20A3	308BEE97	34F822F0C66D
<i>Round 9</i>	308BEE97	10AF9D37	84BB4473DCCC
<i>Round 10</i>	10AF9D37	6CA6CB20	02765708B5BF
<i>Round 11</i>	6CA6CB20	FF3C485F	6D5560AF7CA5
<i>Round 12</i>	FF3C485F	22A5963B	C2C1E96A4BF3
<i>Round 13</i>	22A5963B	387CCDAA	99C31397C91F
<i>Round 14</i>	387CCDAA	BD2DD2AB	251B8BC717D0
<i>Round 15</i>	BD2DD2AB	CF26B472	3330C5D9A36D
<i>Round 16</i>	19BA9212	CF26B472	181C5D75C66D

*After combination:* 19BA9212CF26B472

*Ciphertext:* C0B7A8D05F3A829C

*(after final permutation)*

# Example of DES



- See how Bob can decipher the ciphertext using the same key

<i>Ciphertext:</i> C0B7A8D05F3A829C			
<i>After initial permutation:</i> 19BA9212CF26B472			
<i>After splitting:</i> L <sub>0</sub> =19BA9212 R <sub>0</sub> =CF26B472			
<i>Round</i>	<i>Left</i>	<i>Right</i>	<i>Round Key</i>
<i>Round 1</i>	CF26B472	BD2DD2AB	181C5D75C66D
<i>Round 2</i>	BD2DD2AB	387CCDAA	3330C5D9A36D
...	...	...	...
<i>Round 15</i>	5A78E394	18CA18AD	4568581ABCCE
<i>Round 16</i>	14A7D678	18CA18AD	194CD072DE8C
<i>After combination:</i> 14A7D67818CA18AD			
<i>Plaintext:</i> 123456ABCD132536	<i>(after final permutation)</i>		

# DES Weakness

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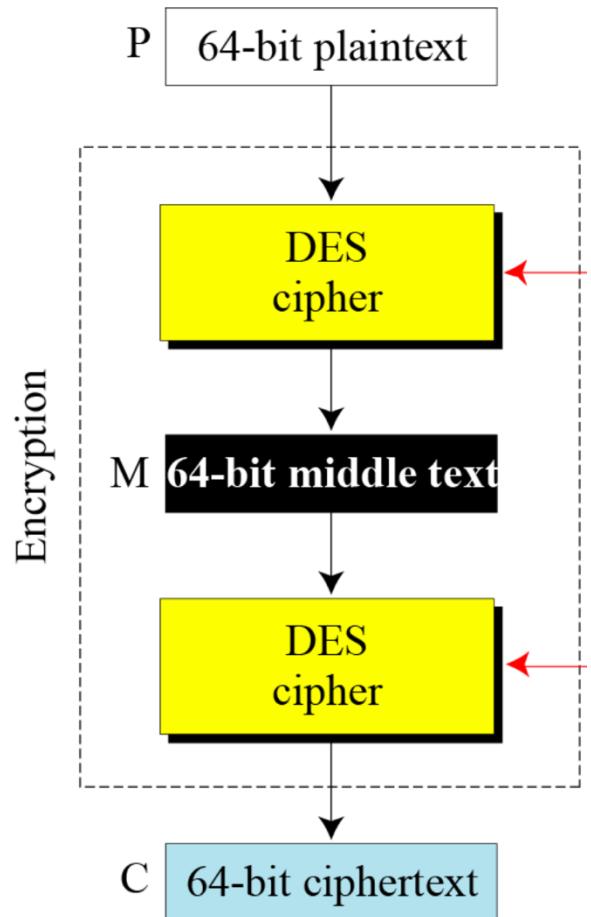
- The most serious weakness of DES is in its key size
- The adversary needs to check  $2^{56}$  keys
  - If we make one million processor computer, it will take about 20 hours
  - A special computer was built in 1998 that found the key in 112 hours

How do we make it robust?

=> *Let's use double-DES on each block*

# Double-DES?

- $C = E_{K2}(E_{K1}(PB))$



$k_1$  (56 bit)

$k_2$  (56 bit)

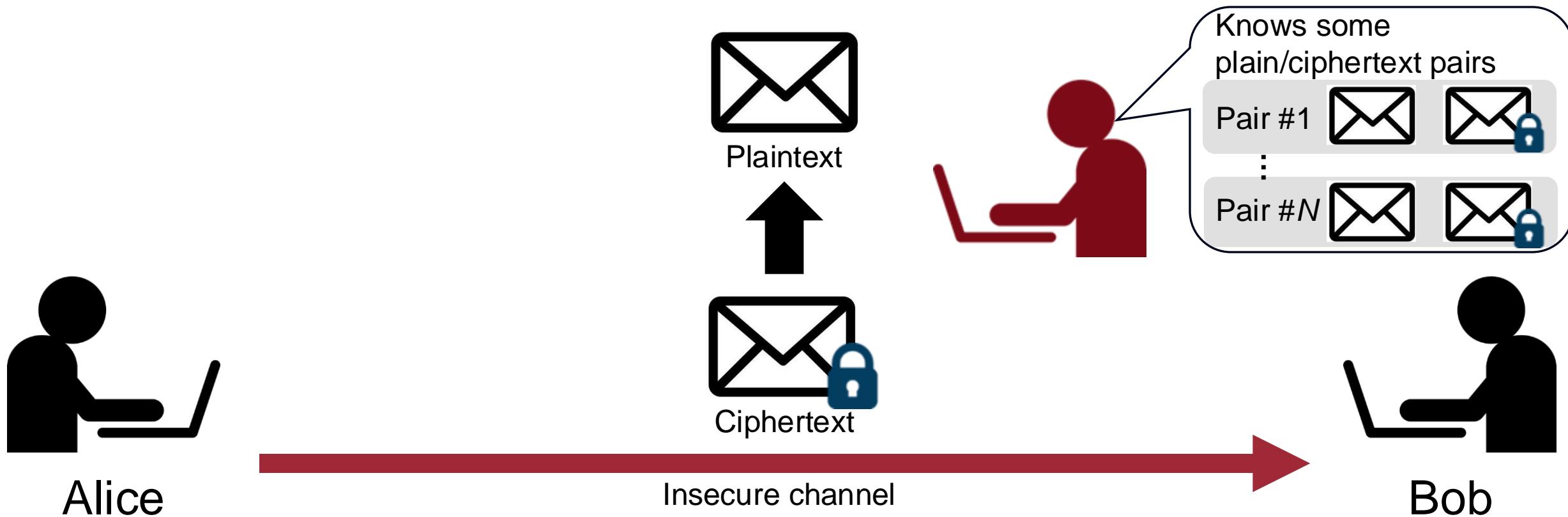
The adversary needs  
to check  $2^{112}$  keys!  
What is the problem?

Let's assume that the adversary  
conduct Known-Plaintext Attack (KPA)

# Recap: Known-Plaintext Attack (KPA)

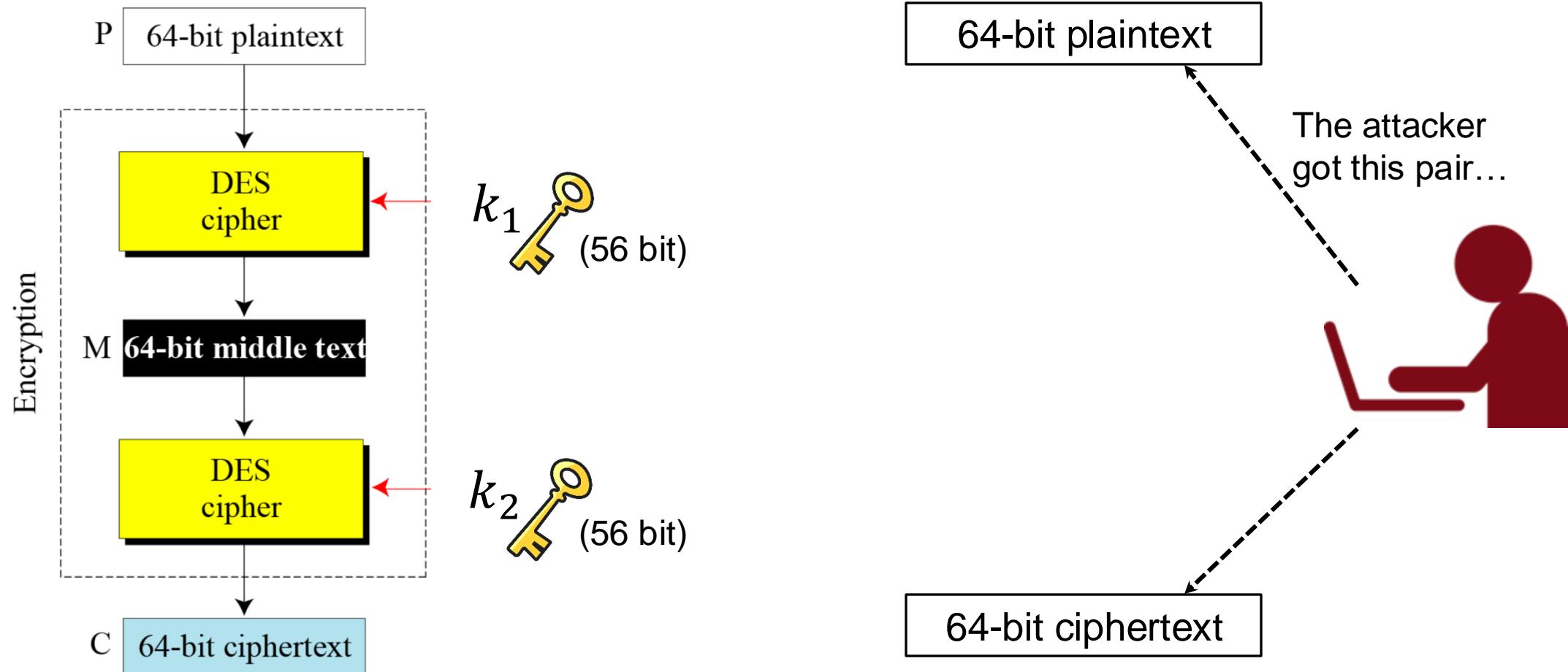
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- The attacker is assumed to have access to **multiple plaintexts and their corresponding ciphertexts**
- Can the attacker compute the key from the ciphertext?



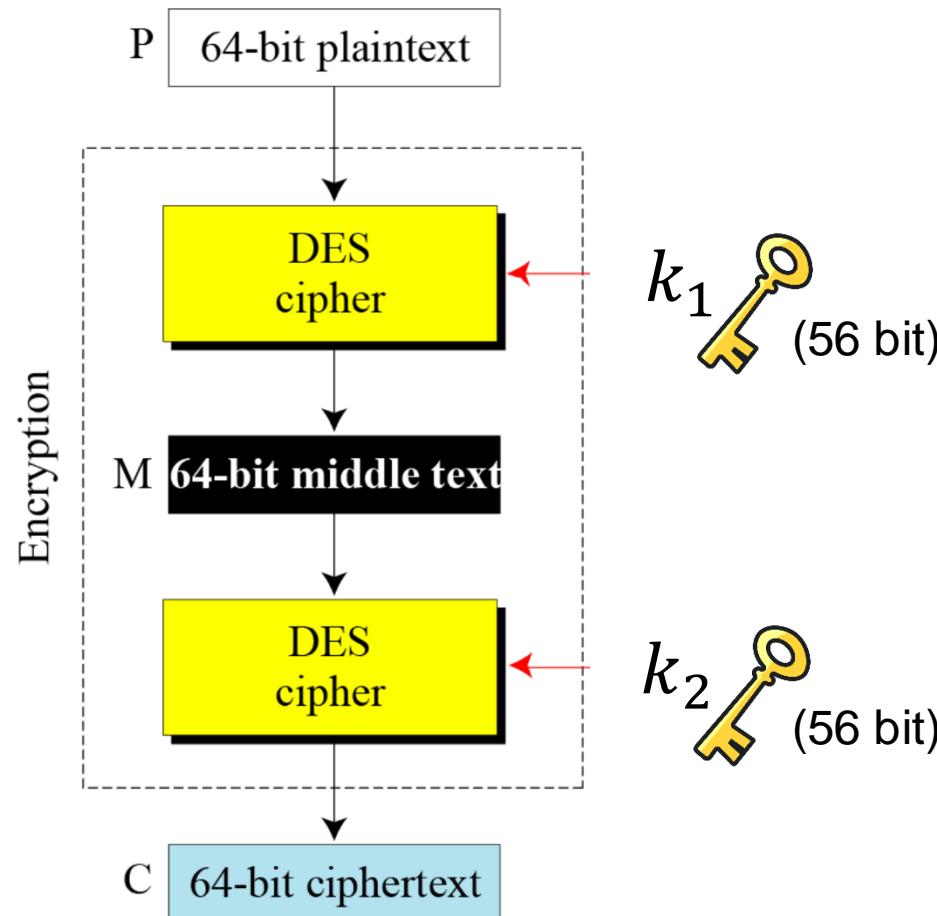
# Meet-in-the-Middle-Attack for Double DES<sup>80</sup>

- $C = E_{K_2}(E_{K_1}(PB))$
- Vulnerable to “meet-in-the-middle” attack



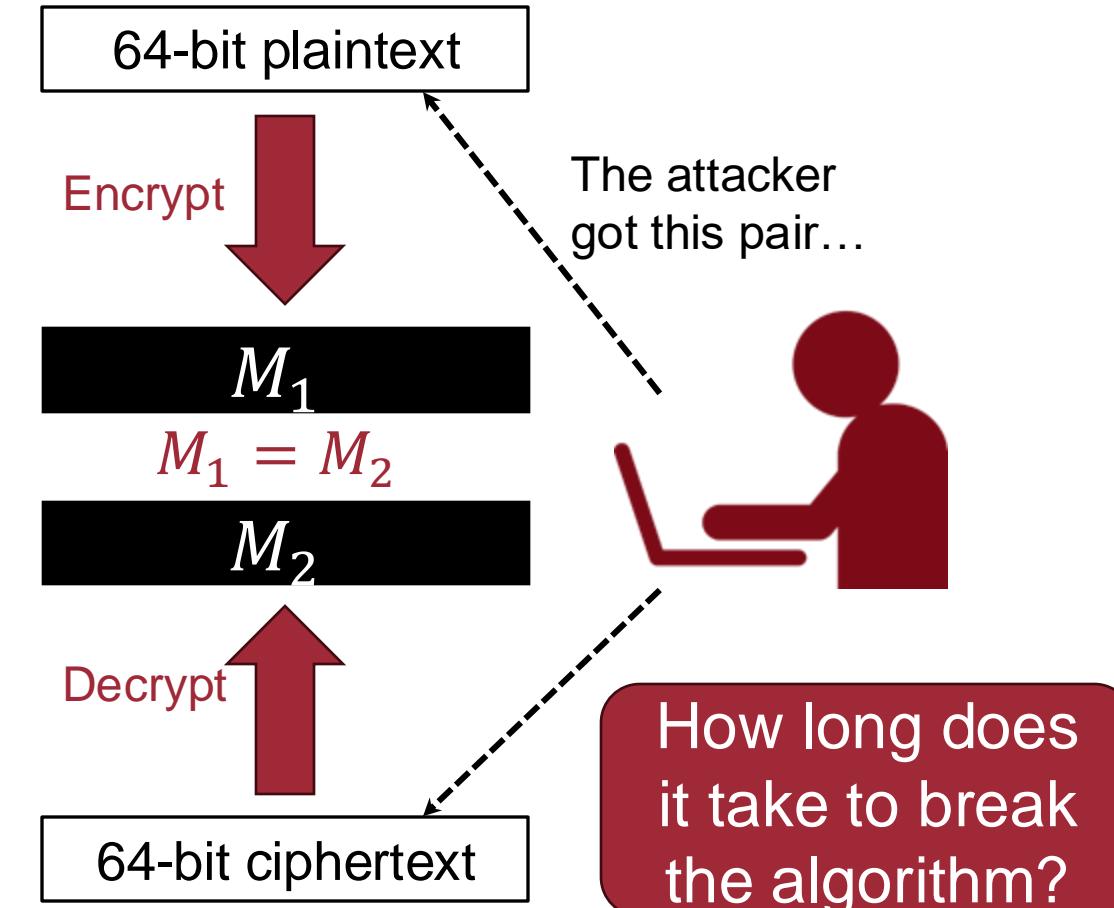
# Meet-in-the-Middle-Attack for Double DES<sup>81</sup>

- $C = E_{K_2}(E_{K_1}(PB))$
- Vulnerable to “meet-in-the-middle” attack



$k_1$  (56 bit)

$k_2$  (56 bit)



The attacker  
got this pair...

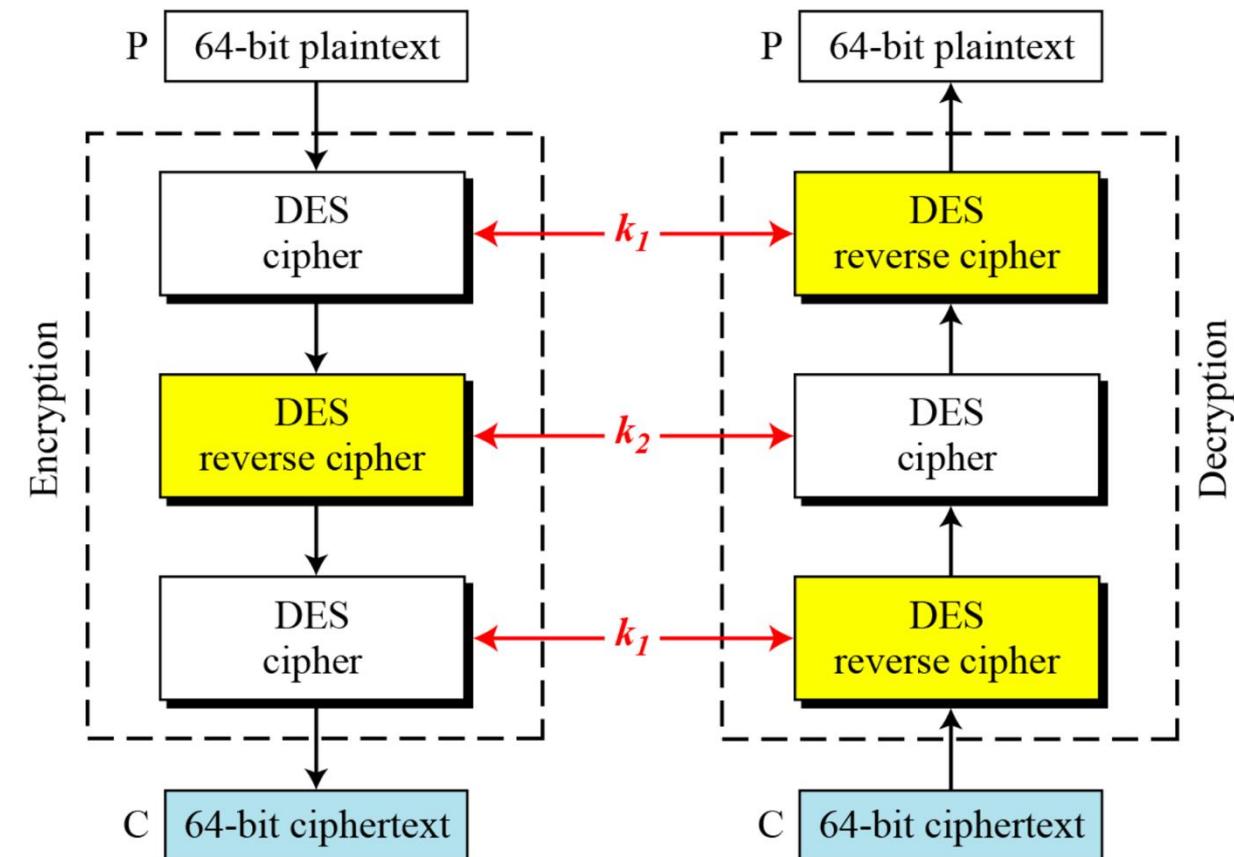
How long does  
it take to break  
the algorithm?

# Triple-DES with Two-Keys\*

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- Use three encryptions
- But we can use two keys with E-D-E sequence

$$-C = E_{K1}(D_{K2}(E_{K1}(PB)))$$



# Triple-DES with Two-Keys\*

- Use three encryptions
- But we can use two keys with E-D-E sequence
  - $C = E_{K1}(D_{K2}(E_{K1}(PB)))$
- Standardized in ANSI X9.17 & ISO8732
- Has been adopted by some Internet applications, e.g., PGP, S/MIME
- Deprecated after 2023
  - Vulnerable to Sweet32 attack

# **Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)**

# Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

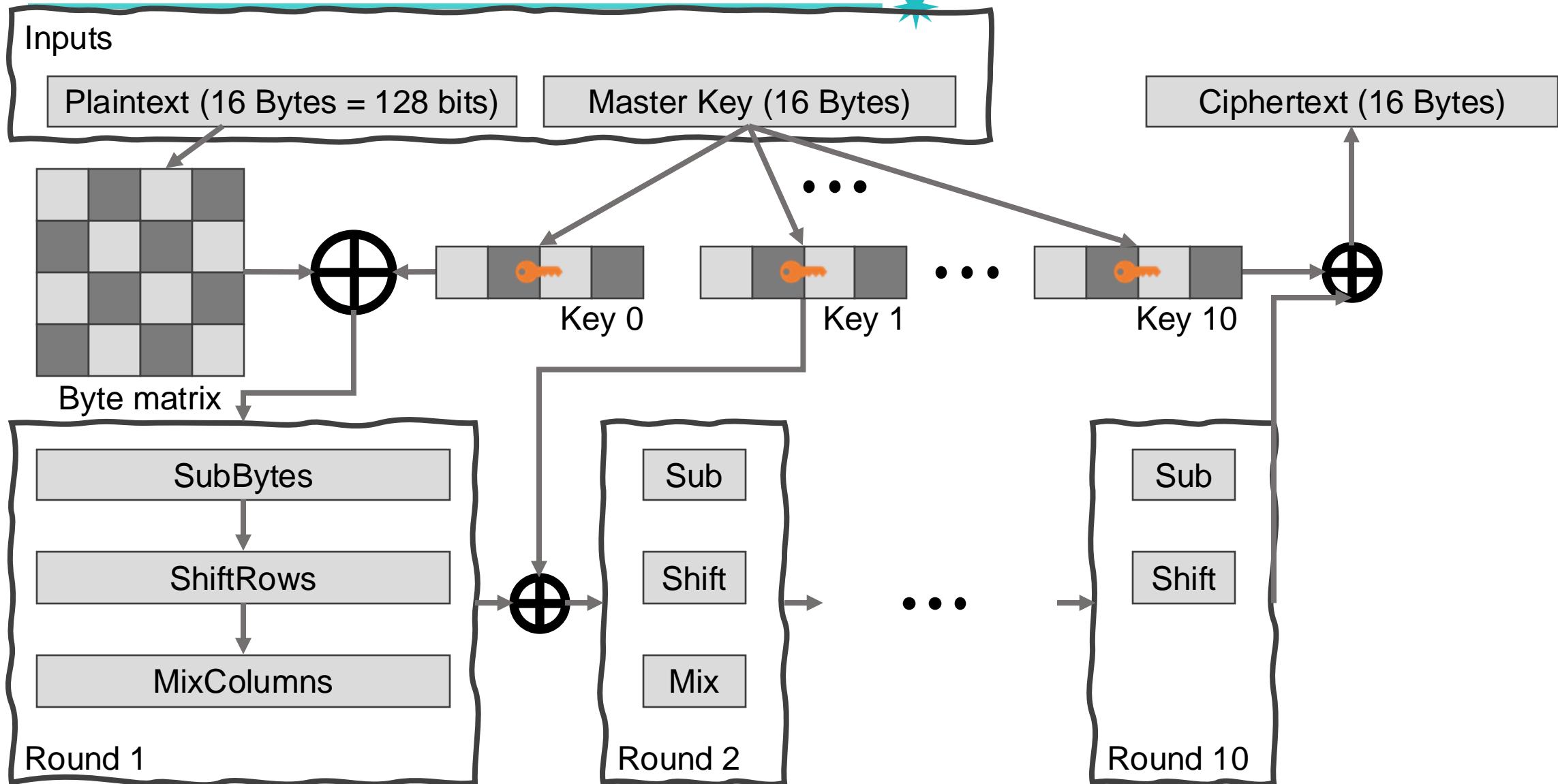
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- Established by the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in 2001
- Selected by an open competition
  - Skipping long history
- A.k.a., Rijndael Cipher
- Triple-DES is slow in software, has small blocks
- A *de-facto* standard symmetric key scheme
  - Substitution-permutation (SP) ciphers
  - Key length: 128 or 192 or 256 bits
  - Block length: 128 bits

# Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

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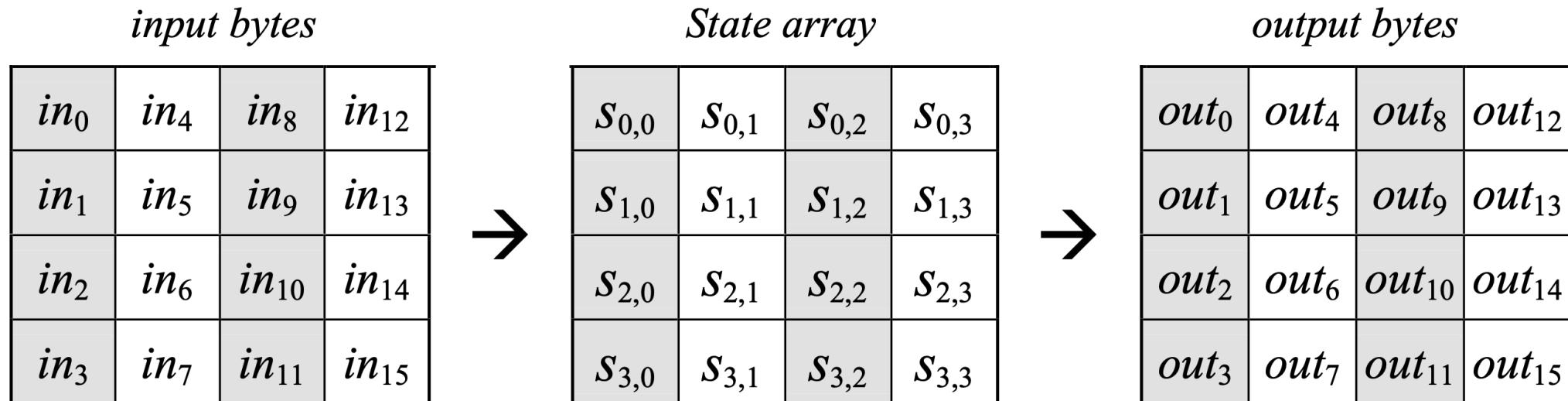


# States

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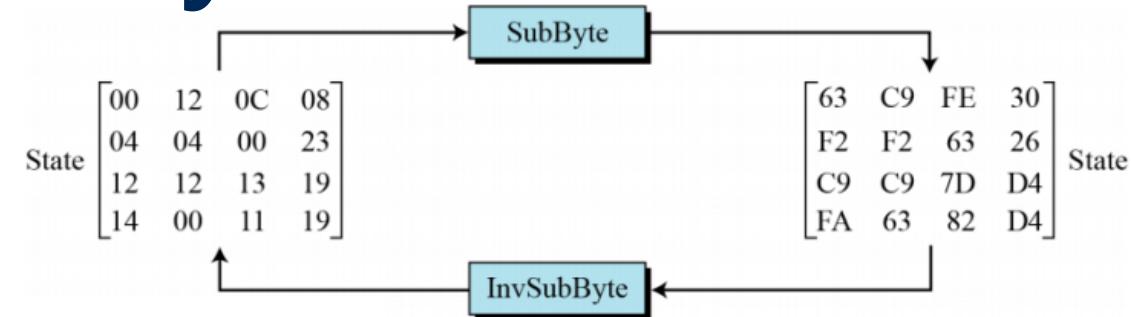
- Consider the minimum case of 128-bit key
- Input and output:  $4 \times 4$  matrix of bytes
- (Intermediate) State:  $4 \times 4$  matrix of bytes



# AES in a Nutshell (1): SubBytes

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- Non-linear byte substitution
- Example: if  $S_{1,1} = 53$  then  $S'_{1,1} = ed$



		y															
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	a	b	c	d	e	f
x	0	63	7c	77	7b	f2	6b	6f	c5	30	01	67	2b	fe	d7	ab	76
1	ca	82	c9	7d	fa	59	47	f0	ad	d4	a2	af	9c	a4	72	c0	
2	b7	fd	93	26	36	3f	f7	cc	34	a5	e5	f1	71	d8	31	15	
3	04	c7	23	c3	18	96	05	9a	07	12	80	e2	eb	27	b2	75	
4	09	83	2c	1a	1b	6e	5a	a0	52	3b	d6	b3	29	e3	2f	84	
5	53	d1	00	ed	20	fc	b1	5b	6a	cb	be	39	4a	4c	58	cf	
6	d0	ef	aa	fb	43	4d	33	85	45	f9	02	7f	50	3c	9f	a8	
7	51	a3	40	8f	92	9d	38	f5	bc	b6	da	21	10	ff	f3	d2	
8	cd	0c	13	ec	5f	97	44	17	c4	a7	7e	3d	64	5d	19	73	
9	60	81	4f	dc	22	2a	90	88	46	ee	b8	14	de	5e	0b	db	
a	e0	32	3a	0a	49	06	24	5c	c2	d3	ac	62	91	95	e4	79	
b	e7	c8	37	6d	8d	d5	4e	a9	6c	56	f4	ea	65	7a	ae	08	
c	ba	78	25	2e	1c	a6	b4	c6	e8	dd	74	1f	4b	bd	8b	8a	
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e	e1	f8	98	11	69	d9	8e	94	9b	1e	87	e9	ce	55	28	df	
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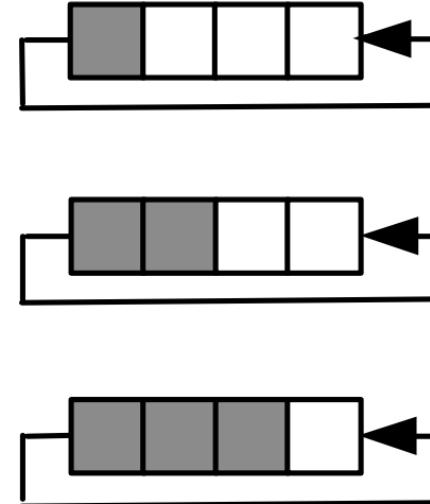
# AES in a Nutshell (2): ShiftRows

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- Circular shift over different numbers of bytes

$S$

$s_{0,0}$	$s_{0,1}$	$s_{0,2}$	$s_{0,3}$
$s_{1,0}$	$s_{1,1}$	$s_{1,2}$	$s_{1,3}$
$s_{2,0}$	$s_{2,1}$	$s_{2,2}$	$s_{2,3}$
$s_{3,0}$	$s_{3,1}$	$s_{3,2}$	$s_{3,3}$



$S'$

$s_{0,0}$	$s_{0,1}$	$s_{0,2}$	$s_{0,3}$
$s_{1,1}$	$s_{1,2}$	$s_{1,3}$	$s_{1,0}$
$s_{2,2}$	$s_{2,3}$	$s_{2,0}$	$s_{2,1}$
$s_{3,3}$	$s_{3,0}$	$s_{3,1}$	$s_{3,2}$

# AES in a Nutshell (3): MixColumns

- Matrix multiplication on each column
  - Multiplied by a fixed array

$$\begin{bmatrix} s'_{0,c} \\ s'_{1,c} \\ s'_{2,c} \\ s'_{3,c} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 02 & 03 & 01 & 01 \\ 01 & 02 & 03 & 01 \\ 01 & 01 & 02 & 03 \\ 03 & 01 & 01 & 02 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_{0,c} \\ s_{1,c} \\ s_{2,c} \\ s_{3,c} \end{bmatrix}$$

$s_{0,0}$	$s_{0,c}$	$s_{0,2}$	$s_{0,3}$
$s_{1,0}$	$s_{1,c}$	$s_{1,2}$	$s_{1,3}$
$s_{2,0}$	$s_{2,c}$	$s_{2,2}$	$s_{2,3}$
$s_{3,0}$	$s_{3,c}$	$s_{3,2}$	$s_{3,3}$

$s'_{0,0}$	$s'_{0,c}$	$s'_{0,2}$	$s'_{0,3}$
$s'_{1,0}$	$s'_{1,c}$	$s'_{1,2}$	$s'_{1,3}$
$s'_{2,0}$	$s'_{2,c}$	$s'_{2,2}$	$s'_{2,3}$
$s'_{3,0}$	$s'_{3,c}$	$s'_{3,2}$	$s'_{3,3}$

# AES in a Nutshell (4): Put it All Together

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- Encryption
  - For each round: AddRoundKey  $\circ$  MixColumns  $\circ$  ShiftRows  $\circ$  SubBytes
- Decryption: the inverse of the encryption
  - For each round: SubBytes $^{-1}$   $\circ$  ShiftRows $^{-1}$   $\circ$  MixColumns $^{-1}$   $\circ$  AddRoundKey $^{-1}$

It is highly recommended to simulate the AES algorithm!<sup>1)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> [https://formaestudio.com/rijndaelinspector/archivos/Rijndael\\_Animation\\_v4\\_eng-html5.html](https://formaestudio.com/rijndaelinspector/archivos/Rijndael_Animation_v4_eng-html5.html)

# AES Design Considerations



- In a Feistel cipher, half the bits are moved, but not changed during each round.
  - AES treats all bits uniformly, making the effect of diffusing the input bits faster
- Until recently, no known attacks that are better than exhaustive key search up to six rounds
  - Four extra rounds provide a large enough security margin of safety

# Conclusion

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- **Symmetric:** the encryption and decryption keys are *the same*
- **Stream ciphers** encrypt bits individually
- **Block ciphers** encrypt fixed-length groups of bits
  - Design principles for block ciphers
    - Diffusion
    - Confusion
    - Rounds
  - DES (Feistel ciphers)
  - AES (Substitution-permutation ciphers)

# Question?