

Eluding Traffic Analysis with Multipath Spread Spectrum



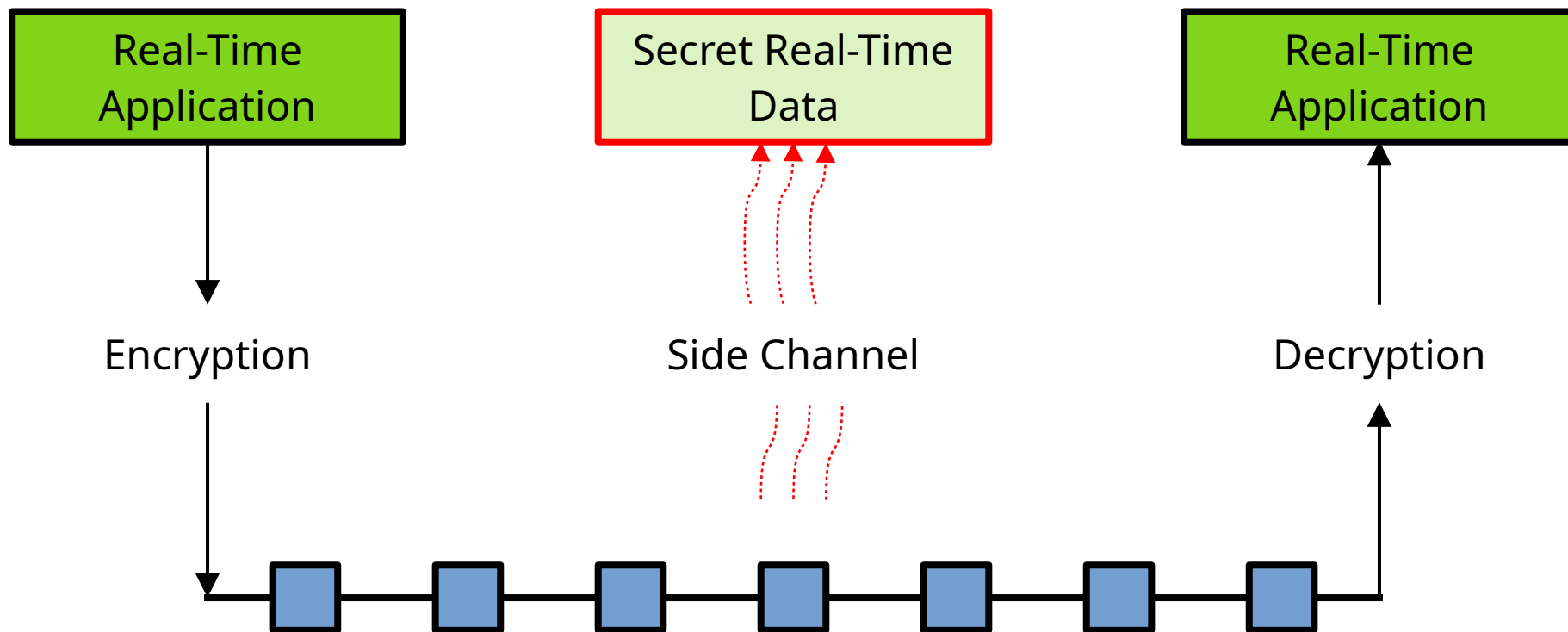
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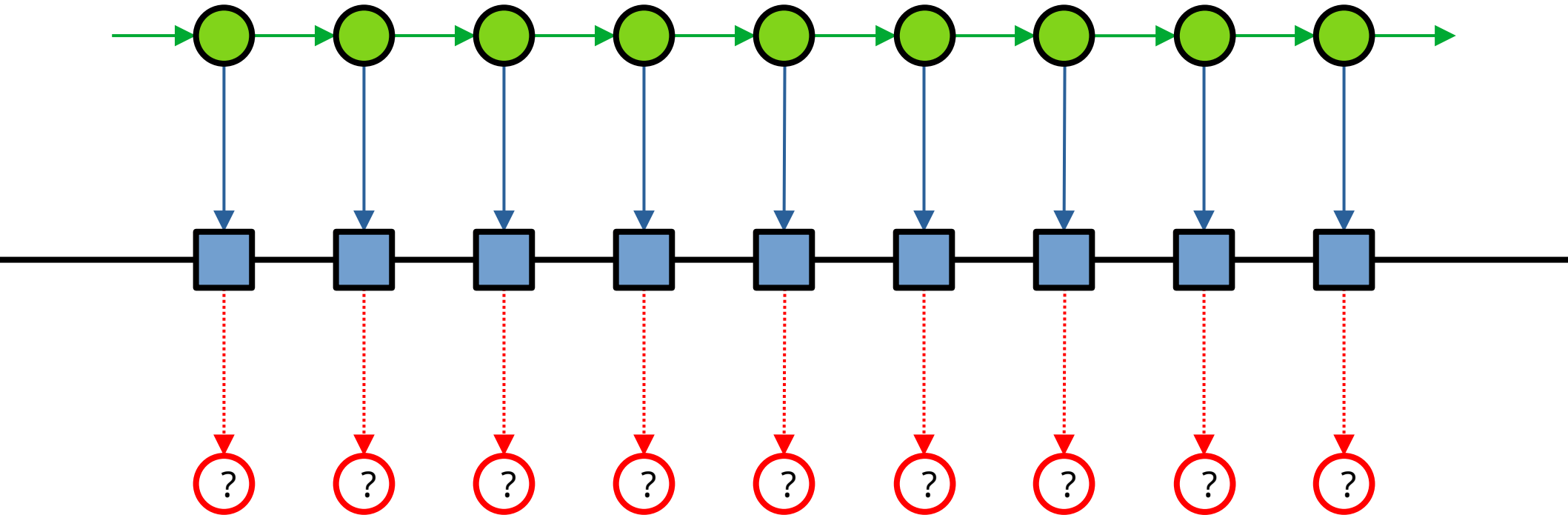
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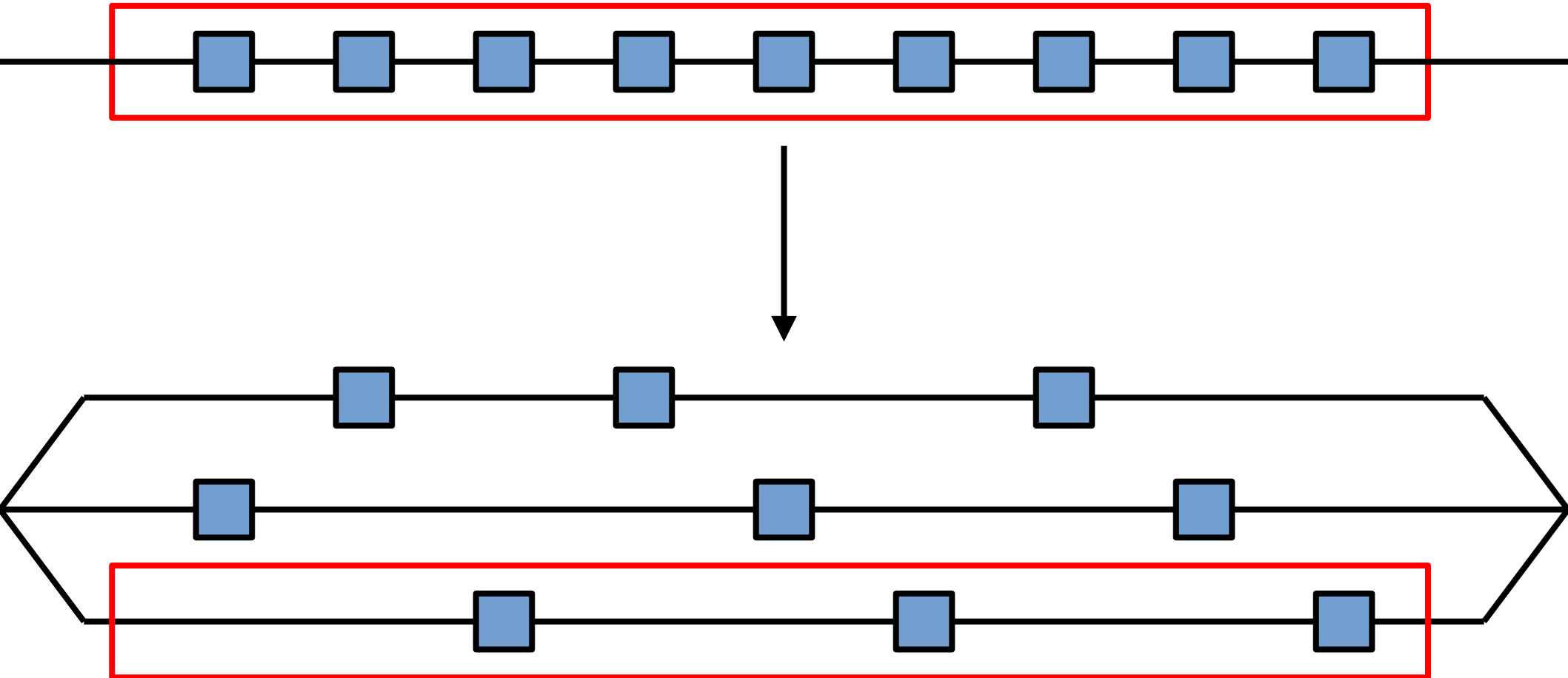
Traffic Analysis



Hidden Markov Models



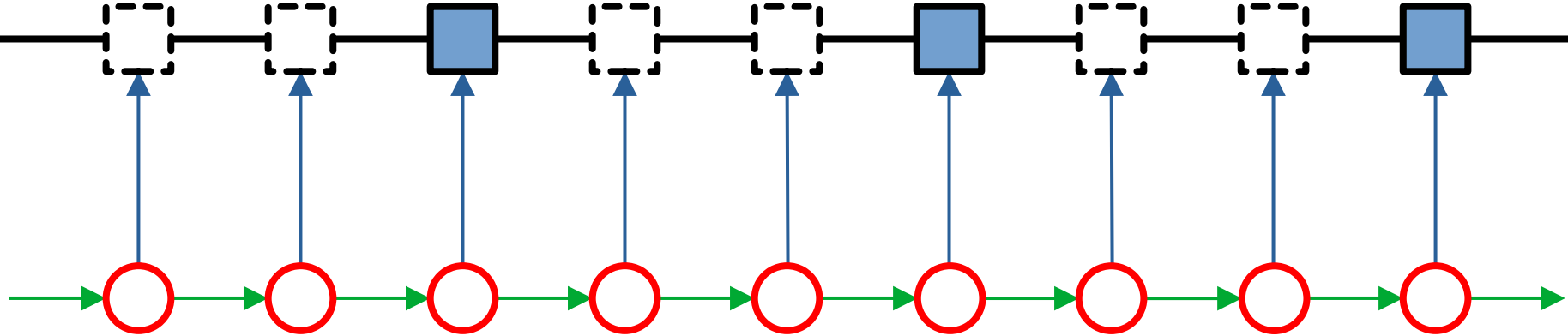
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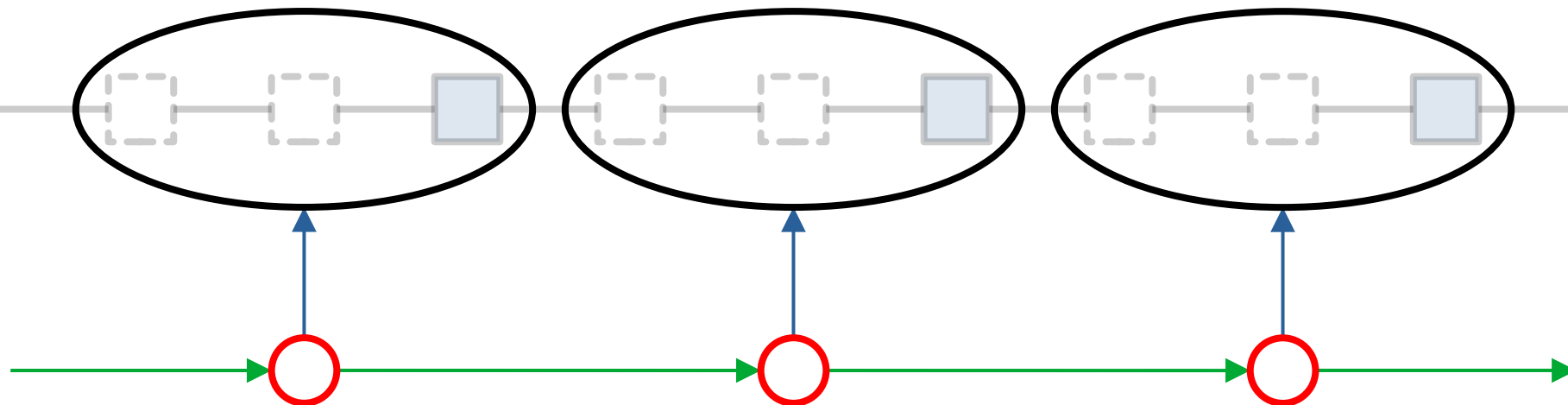
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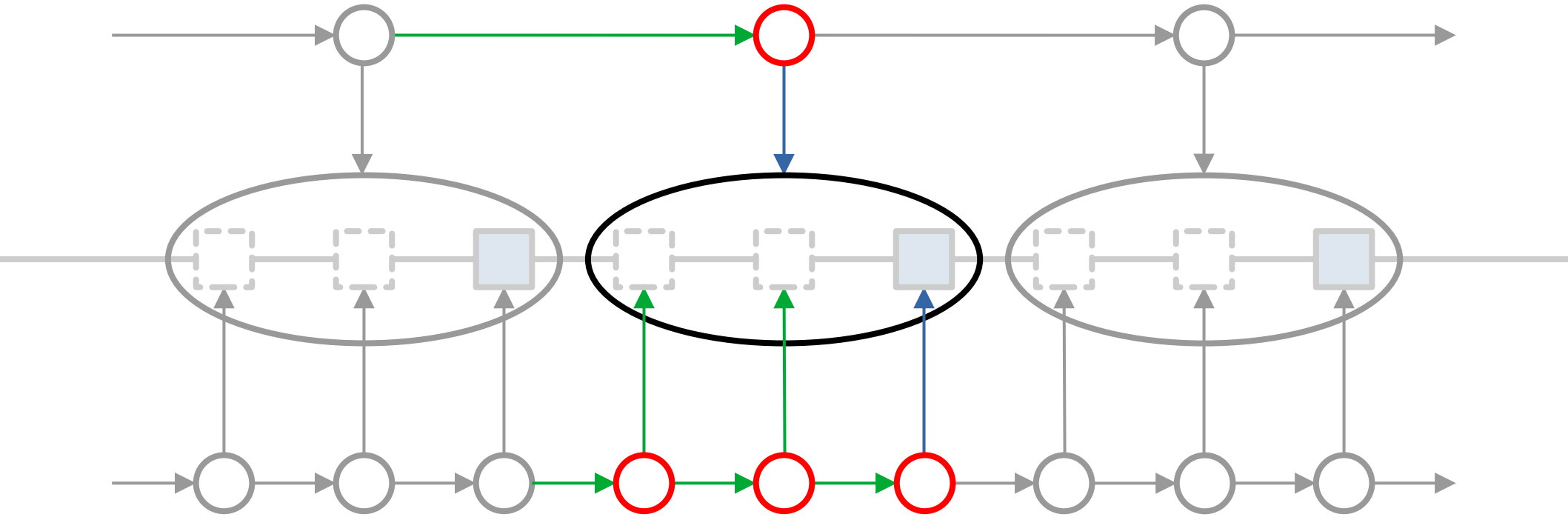
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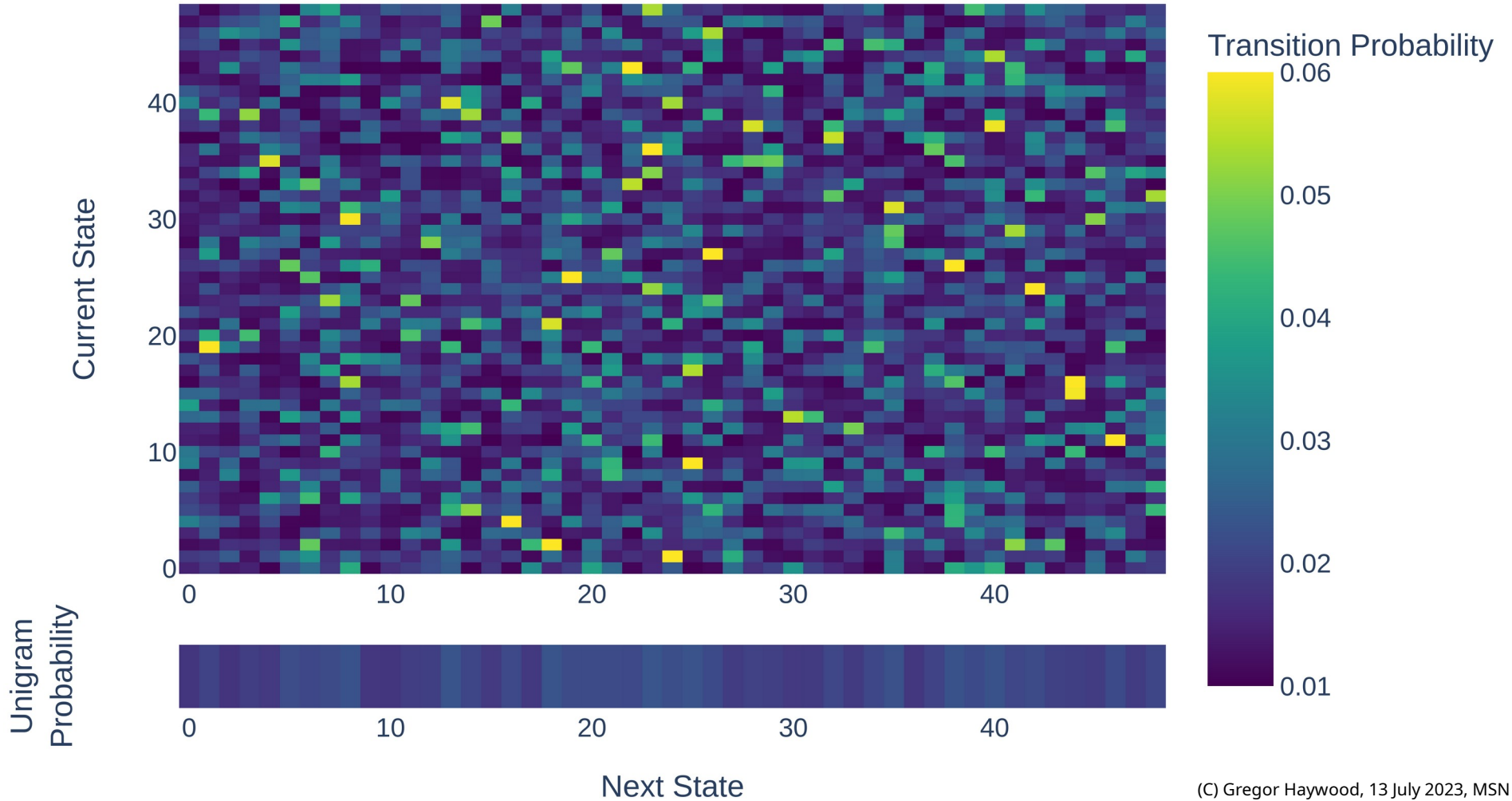
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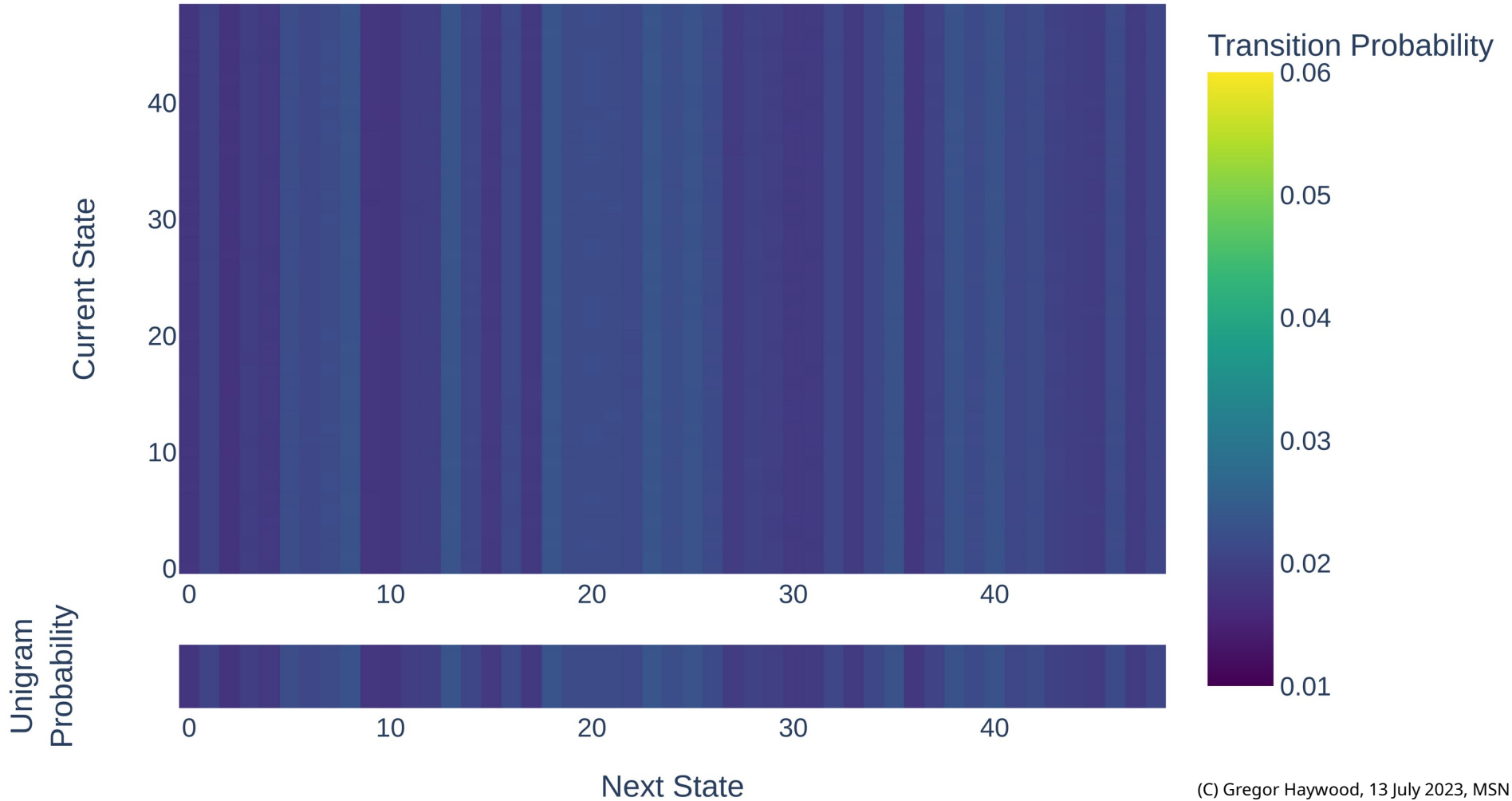
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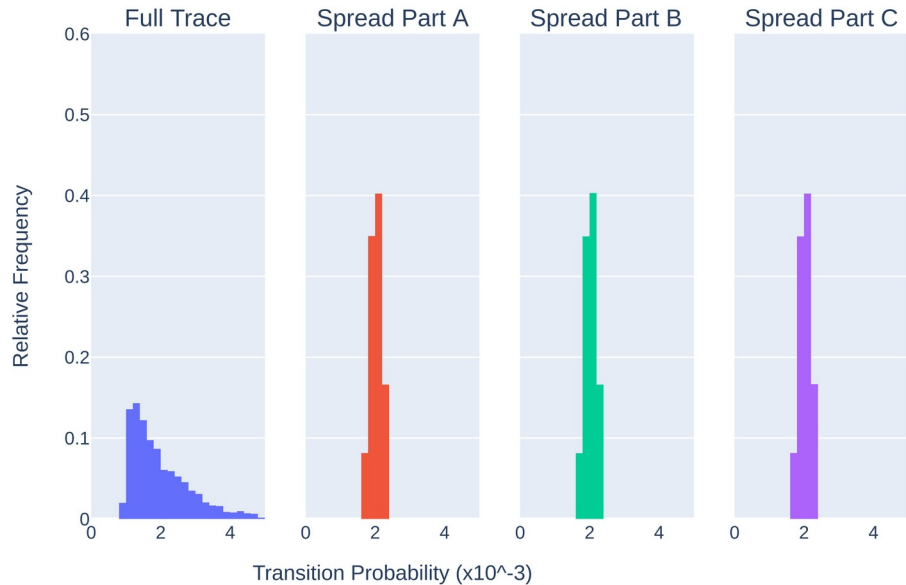
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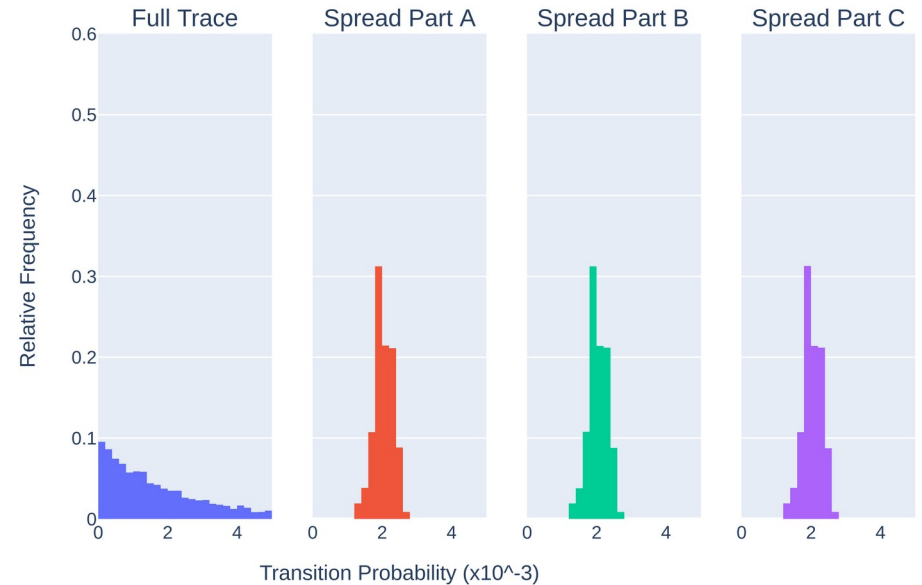
Multi-Path Probabilities



Transition Probability Distributions

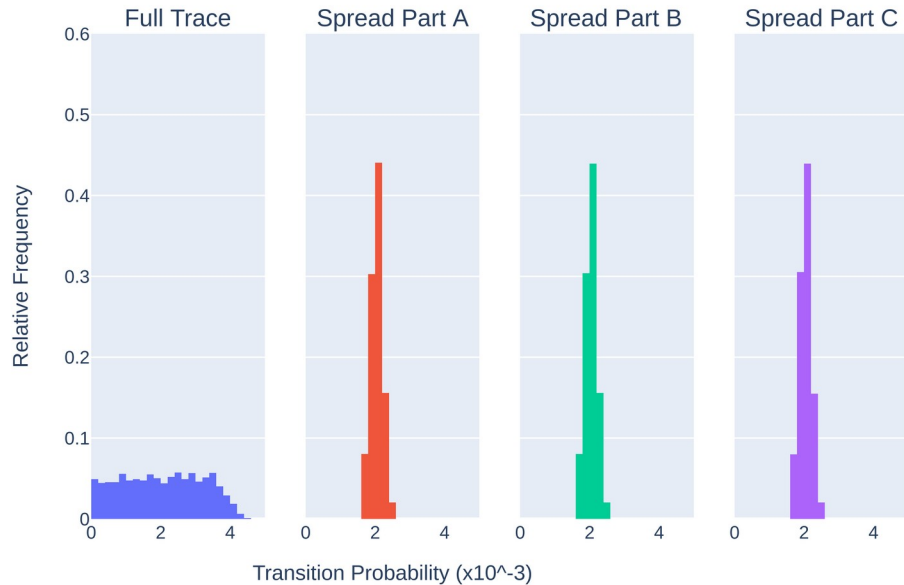


Non-Zero Exponential Markov Process

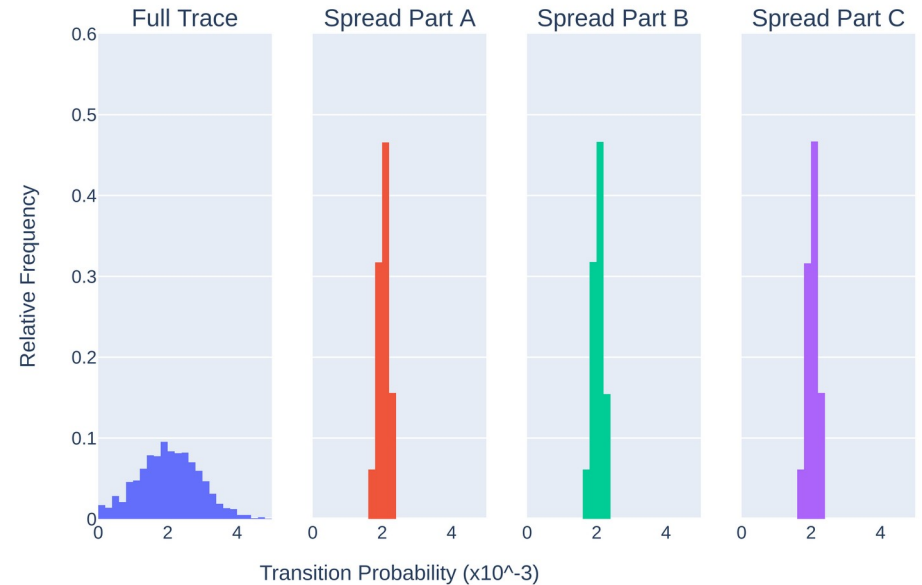


Exponential Markov Process

Transition Probability Distributions



Uniform Markov Process



Normal Markov Process

Summary

- **Multi-path communication can make side channel attacks harder**
- Round-Robin Spread Spectrum: Network Layer
 - Using [ILNP](#)
 - General Solution (no matter what happens above the network layer)
- Multipath congestion control: Transport Layer
 - MPTCP, QUIC, etc.
 - Competing goals!
- Future work:
 - New Congestion Controls
 - Performance Impact
 - Real Applications